





Linear Circuits

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An introduction to linear electric circuit elements and a study of circuits containing such devices.

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- Use differential equations to show the behavior of an RL circuit as the system changes.

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Previous Lesson

- Identified behavior of circuits with resistors and capacitors

Module 3: Reactive Circuits

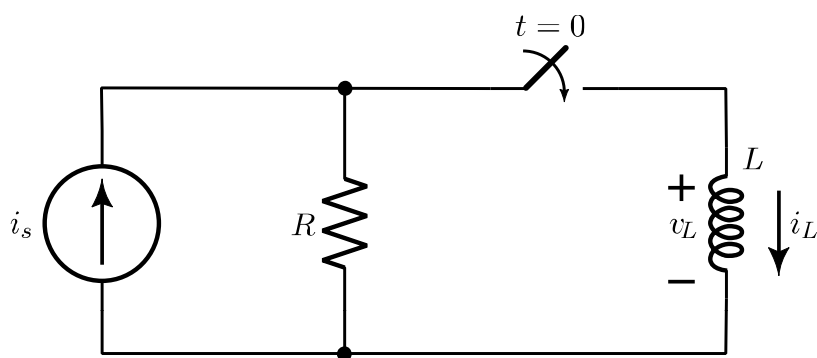
- Capacitors
- Inductors
- First-order differential equations
- RC Circuits
- RL Circuits
- Second-order differential equations
- RLC Circuits

Lesson Objectives

- Generate a differential equation from a circuit
- Identify initial and final conditions
- Solve the differential equation
- Graph the result

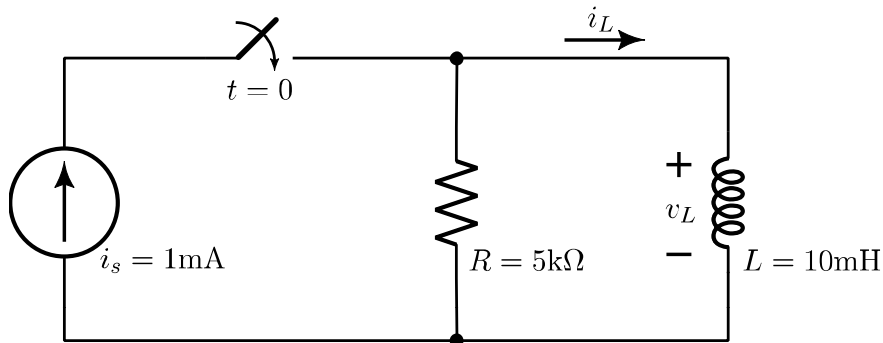
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Behavior of RL circuits



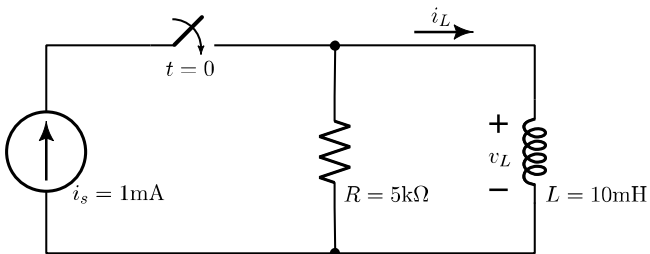
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Example 1: Initial and Final Conditions



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Example 1: Differential Equation



$$i_L = i_s \left[1 - e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} \right]$$

$$v_L = i_s R e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}}$$

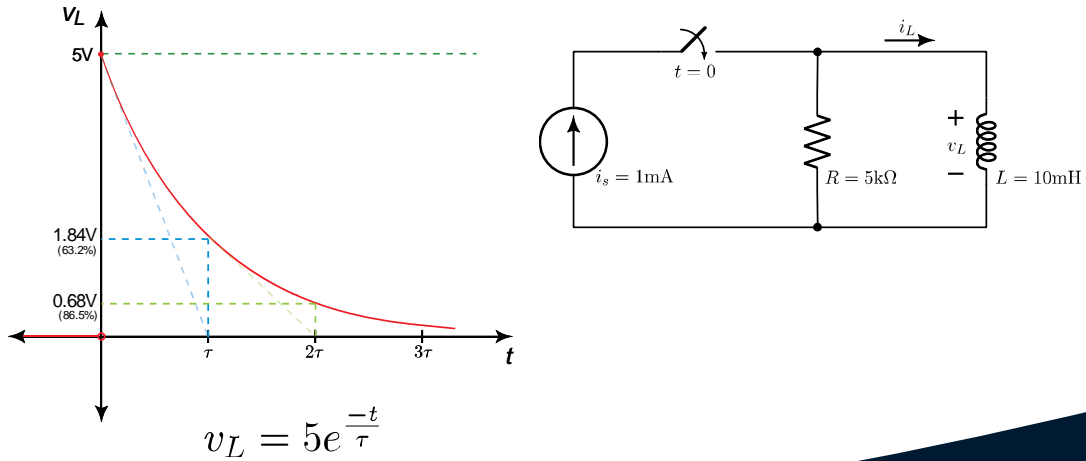
$$v_L = L \frac{di_L}{dt} \quad i_R = \frac{v}{R} \quad i_s = i_R + i_L$$

$$i_s = \frac{L}{R} \frac{di_L}{dt} + i_L$$

$$\frac{di_L}{dt} + \frac{R}{L} i_L = \frac{R}{L} i_s \quad \text{Let } \tau = \frac{L}{R}$$

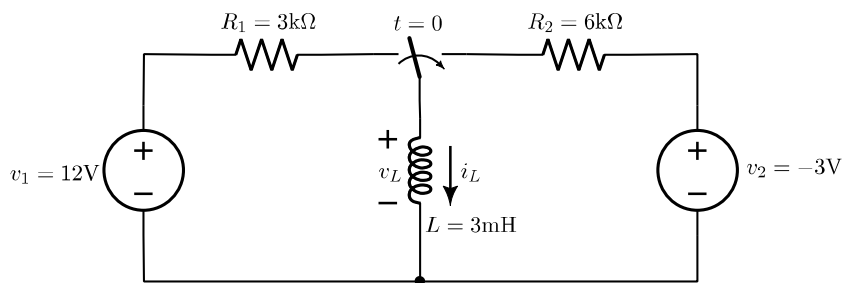
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Example 1: Graph



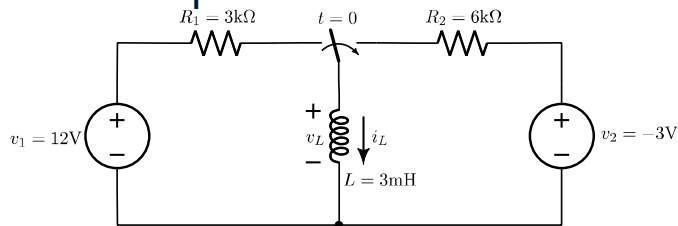
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Example 2: Initial and Final Conditions



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Example 2: Differential Equation



$$i_L = \frac{v_2}{R_2} \left[1 - e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} \right] + \frac{v_1}{R_1} e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}}$$

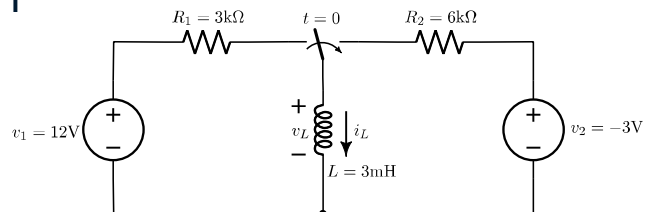
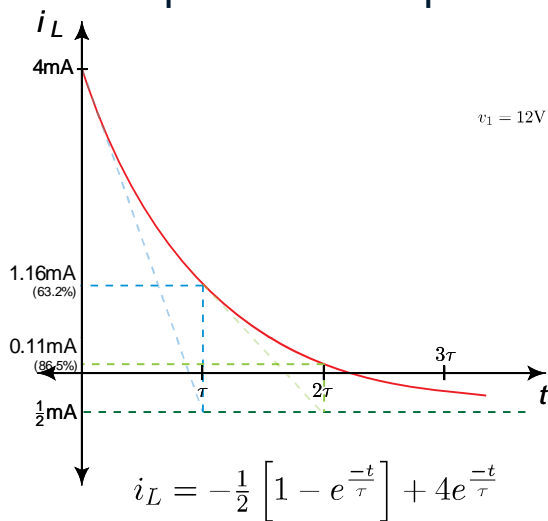
$$v_L = L \frac{di_L}{dt} \quad i_L = \frac{v_2 - v_L}{R_2}$$

$$i_L = \frac{v_2 - L \frac{di_L}{dt}}{R_2}$$

$$\frac{di_L}{dt} + \frac{R_2}{L} i_L = \frac{v_2}{L} \quad \text{Let } \tau = \frac{L}{R_2}$$

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Example 2: Graph



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Summary

- Got some intuition about how RL circuits behave
- Identified initial and final conditions
- Found differential equations for the circuit and solved them
- Graphed the results

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Next Lesson

- Differential equations applied to systems with resistors and inductors

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