

# **ECE 205 “Electrical and Electronics Circuits”**

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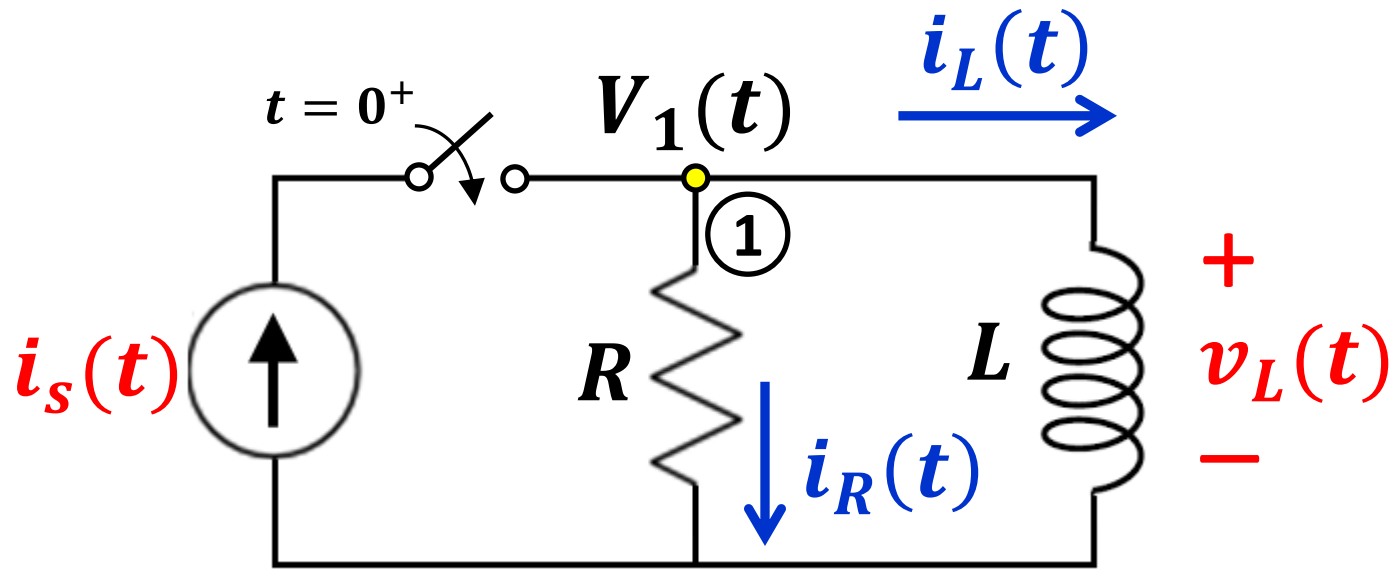
# Lecture 15 – Summary

## Learning Objectives

1. Finish introductory discussion on RL circuits
2. Power considerations
3. Detailed analysis of RC and RL circuits with time-dependent sources
4. Solution of circuit differential equations

# **RL Circuits – Transient Analysis**

## **Response to “step input”**

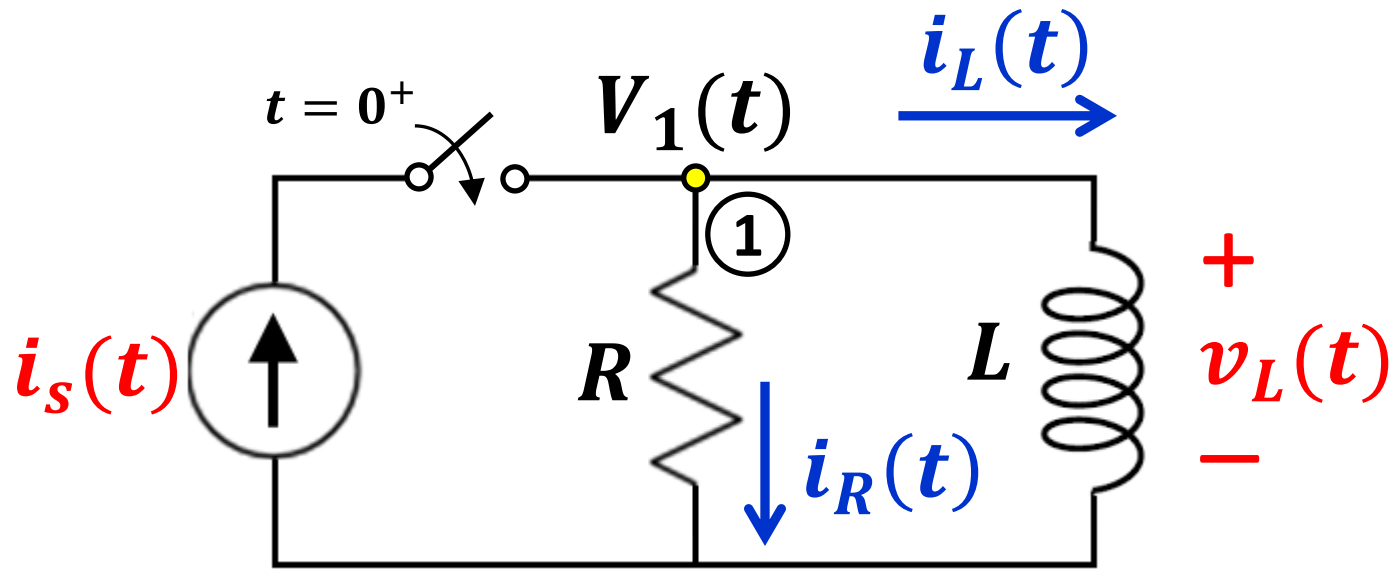


Write KCL at node ①

$$i_s(t) = i_R(t) + i_L(t) = \frac{V_1(t)}{R} + i_L(t)$$

$$V_1(t) = V_L(t) = L \frac{d}{dt} i_L(t)$$

$$i_s(t) = \frac{L}{R} \frac{d}{dt} i_L(t) + i_L(t)$$



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$$\frac{d}{dt} i_L(t) + i_L(t) \frac{R}{L} = i_s(t) \frac{R}{L}$$

Equation 1

$$\frac{d}{dt} i_L(t) + i_L(t) \frac{R}{L} = i_S(t) \frac{R}{L}$$

Equation 1

This equation has the same mathematical form of the Ordinary Differential Equation for the voltage in a series RC circuit, considering a constant current source.

### General Solution

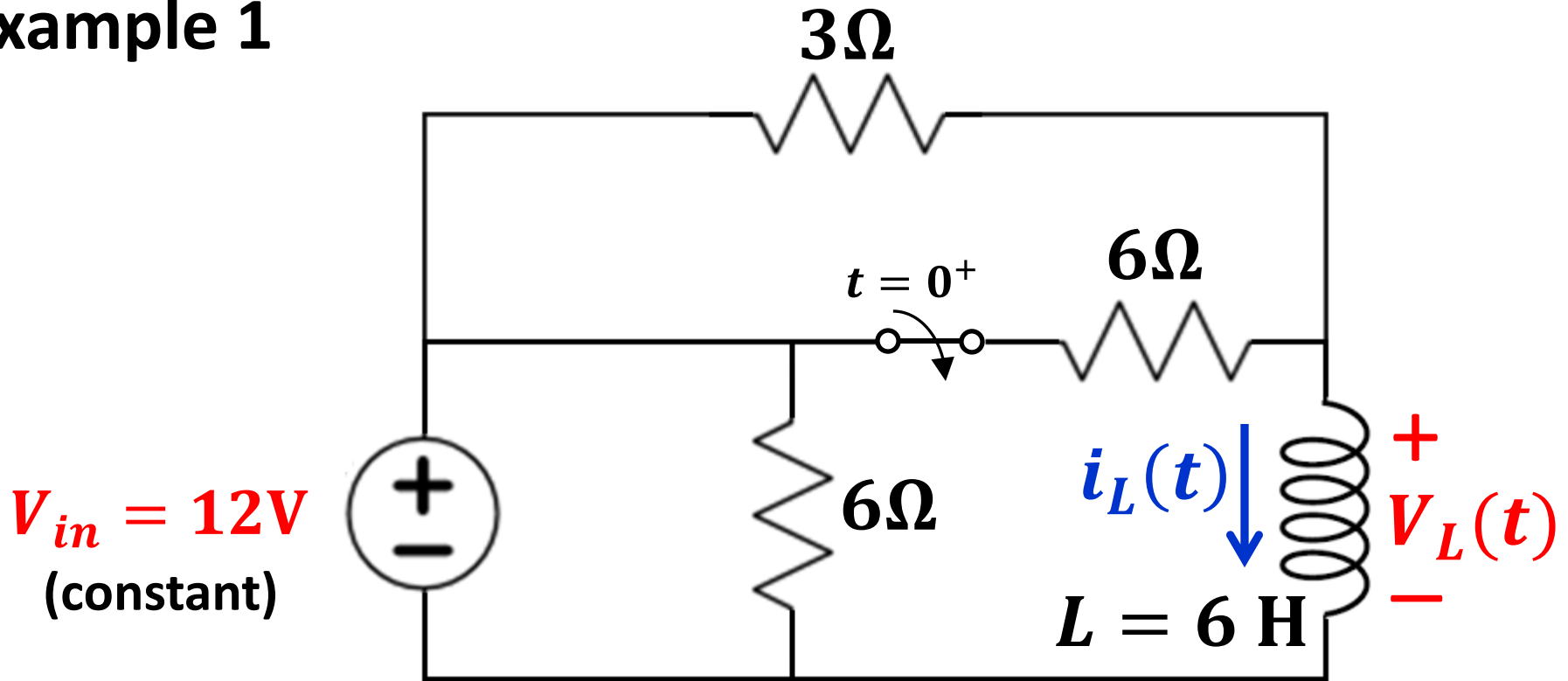
$$i_L(t) = K_1 e^{-\alpha t} + K_2 \quad [\text{A}]$$

$$i_L(t \rightarrow \infty) = K_2$$

$$i_L(t \rightarrow 0^+) = i_L(t \rightarrow 0^-) = K_1 + K_2$$

$$\tau = \frac{L}{R_{eq}} \quad \alpha = \frac{1}{\tau} = \frac{R_{eq}}{L}$$

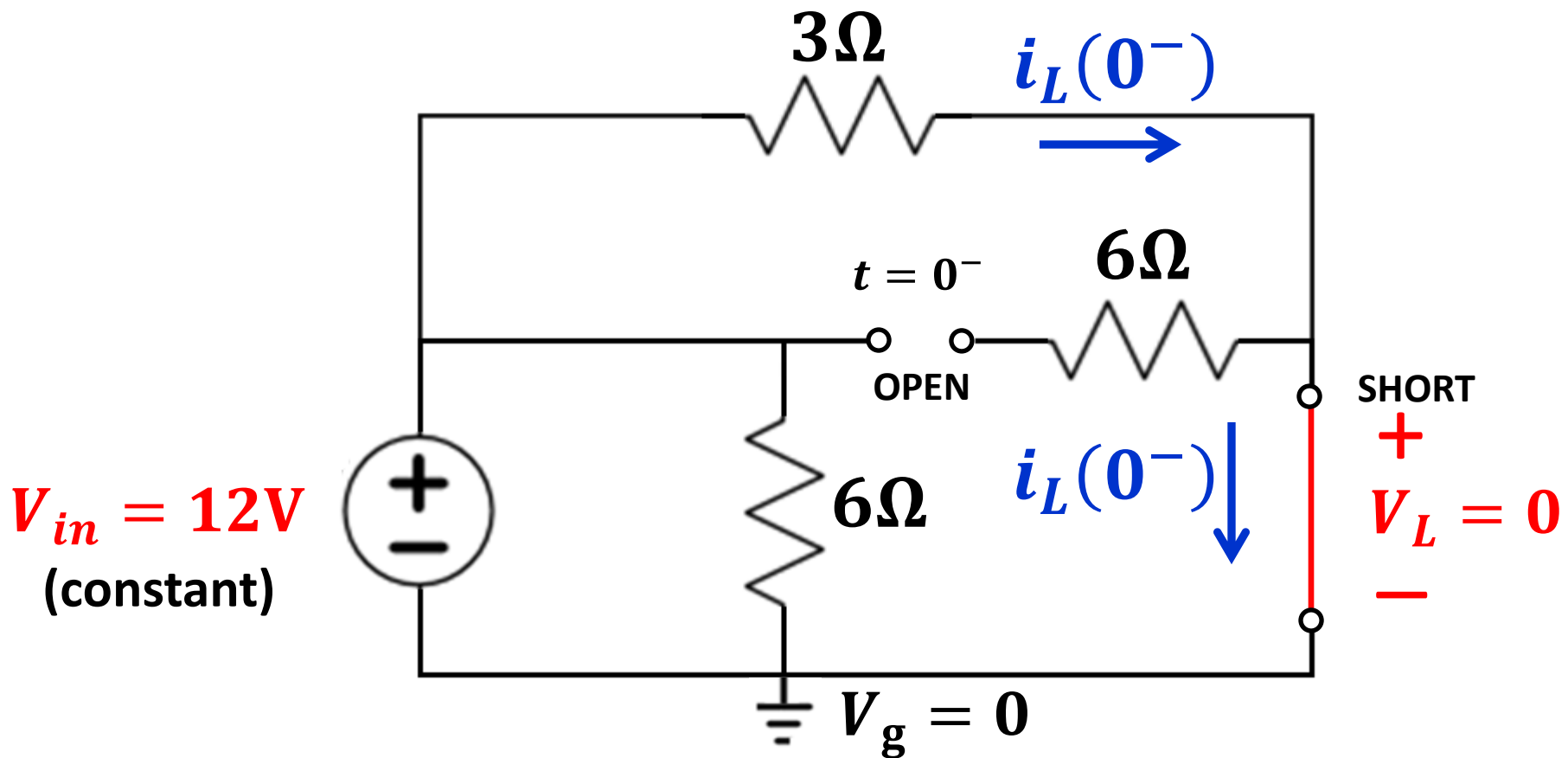
# Example 1



Find  $i_L(t)$

Switch closes at  $t = 0^+$

$$i_L(t) = K_1 e^{-\alpha t} + K_2 \quad [A]$$

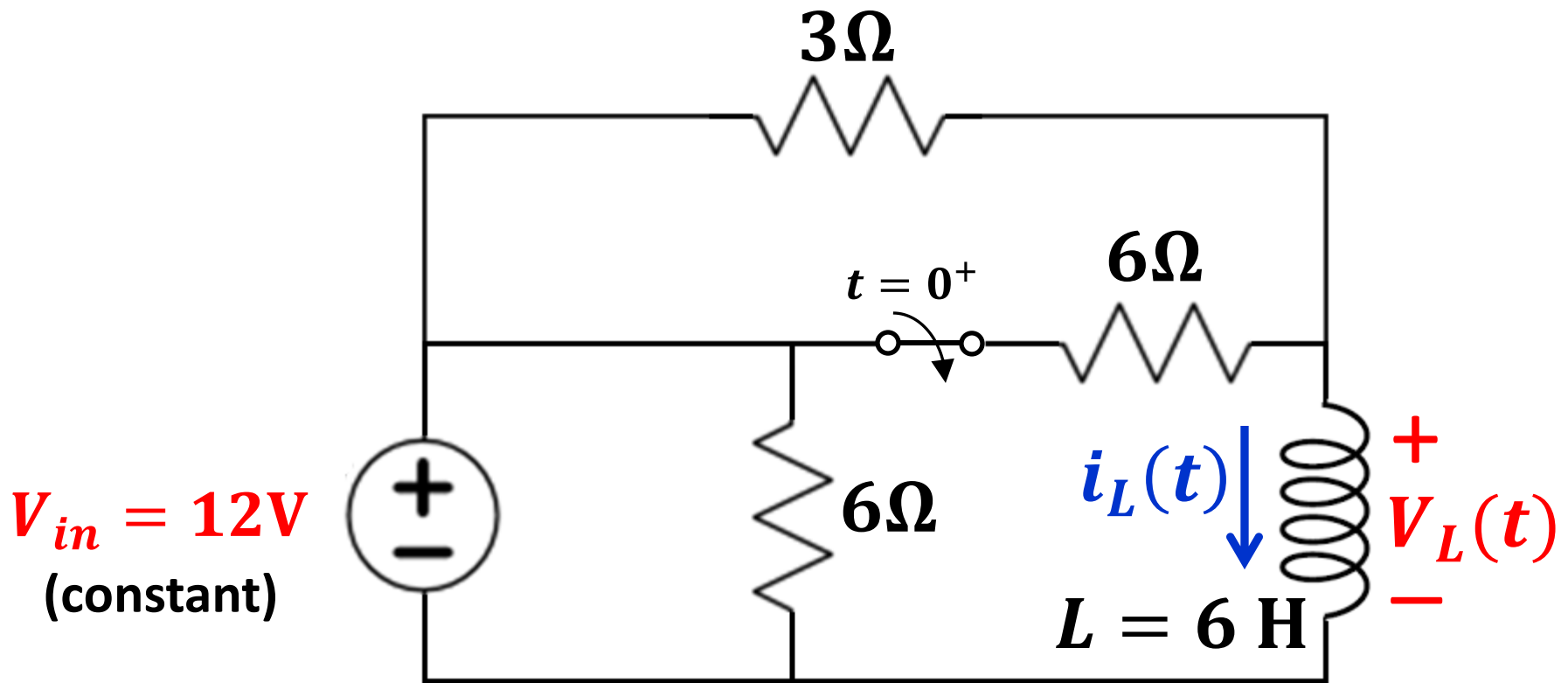


Step ① Find  $i_L(0^-)$  and  $V_L(0^-)$  before the switch is closed

$$i_L(0^-) = \frac{12 - 0}{3} = 4 \text{ A}$$

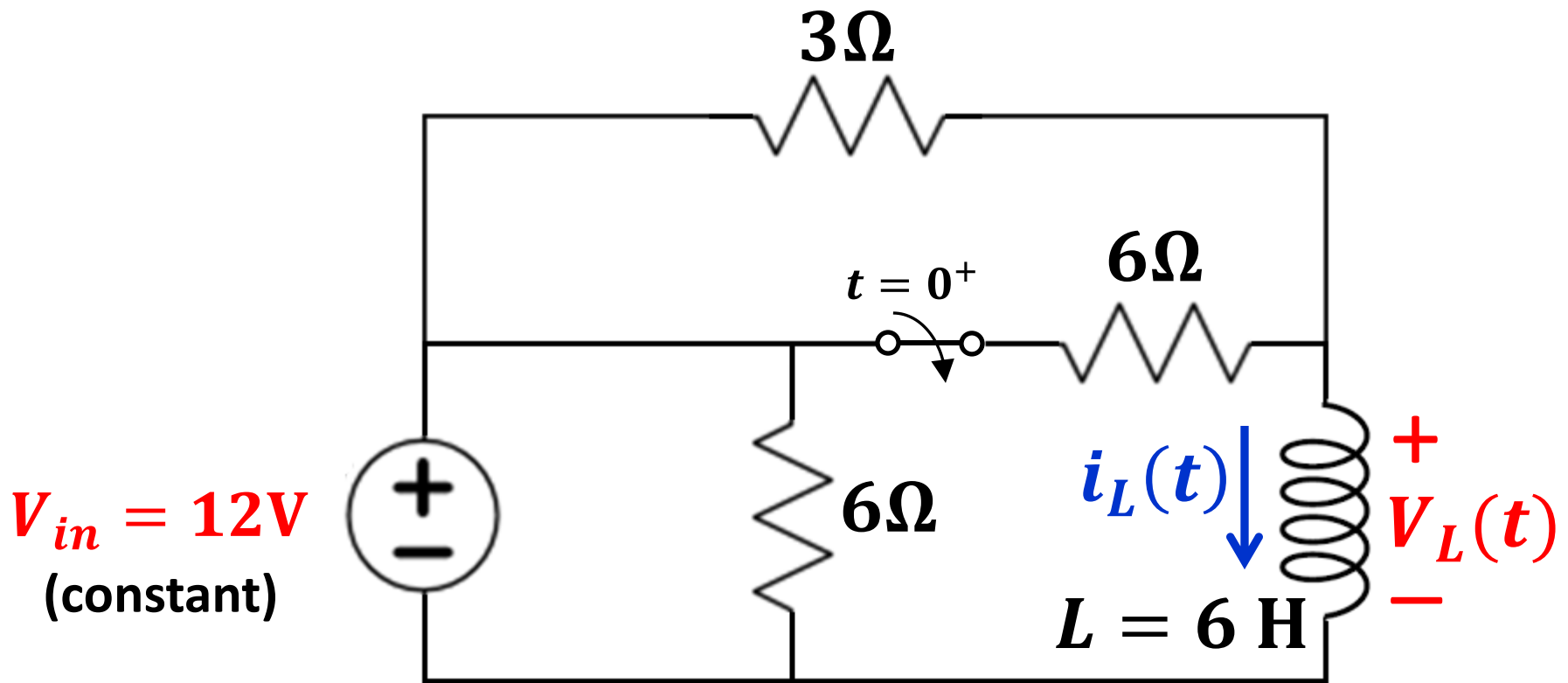
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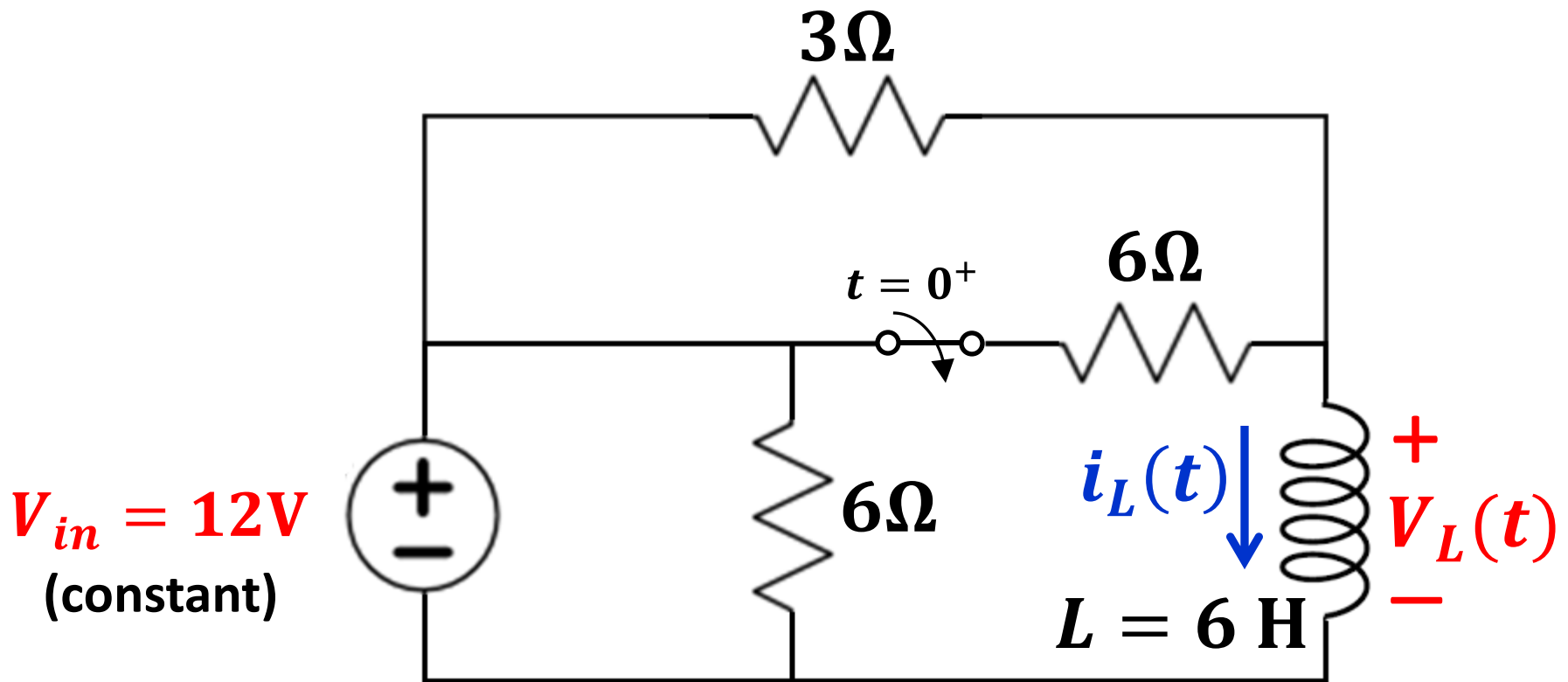


Step ② Find  $i_L(0^+)$

$$i_L(0^+) = i_L(0^-) = K_1 + K_2 = 4\text{ A}$$



Can you tell what is  $V_L(0^+)$ ?

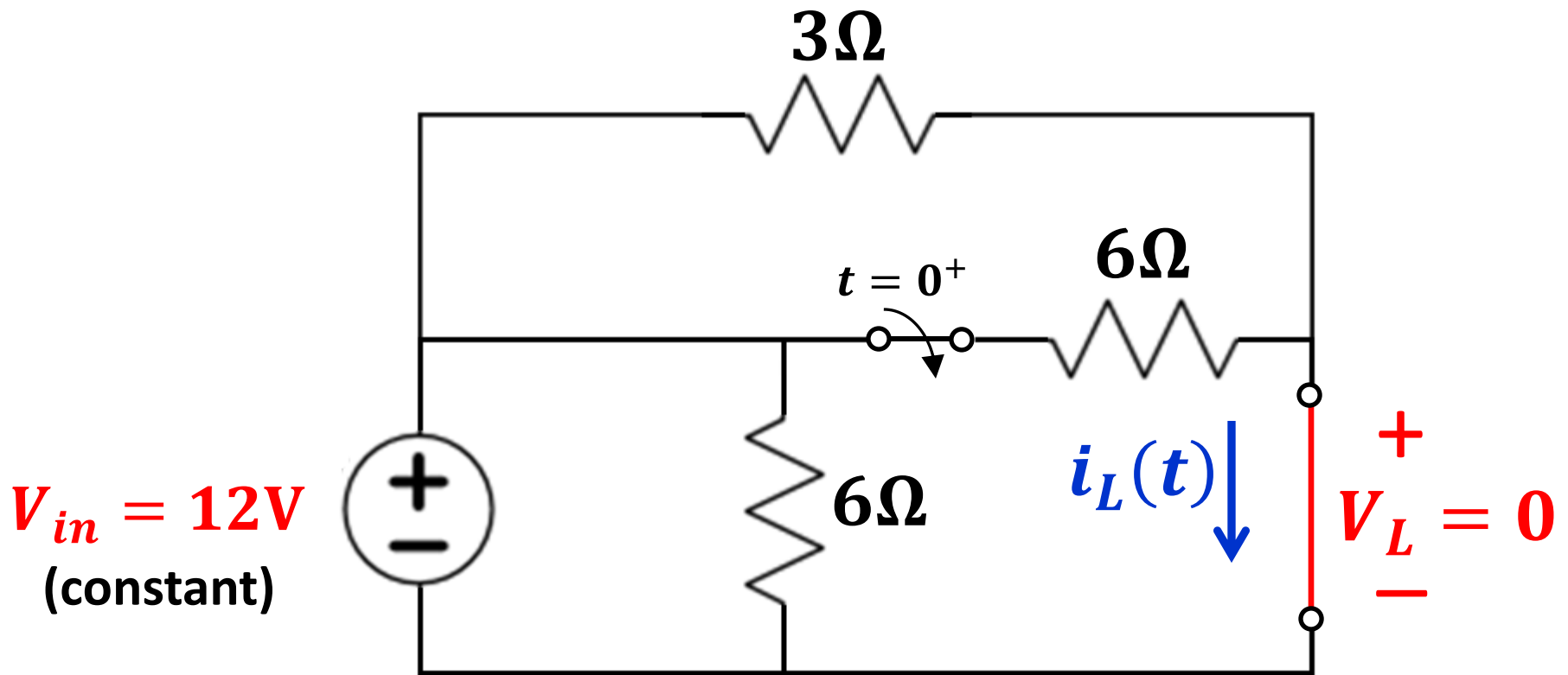


Can you tell what is  $V_L(0^+)$ ? Write the KVL:

$$-V_{in} + i_L(0^+) \times (3\Omega // 6\Omega) + V_L(0^+) = 0$$

$$V_L(0^+) = V_{in} - i_L(0^+) \times (3\Omega // 6\Omega)$$

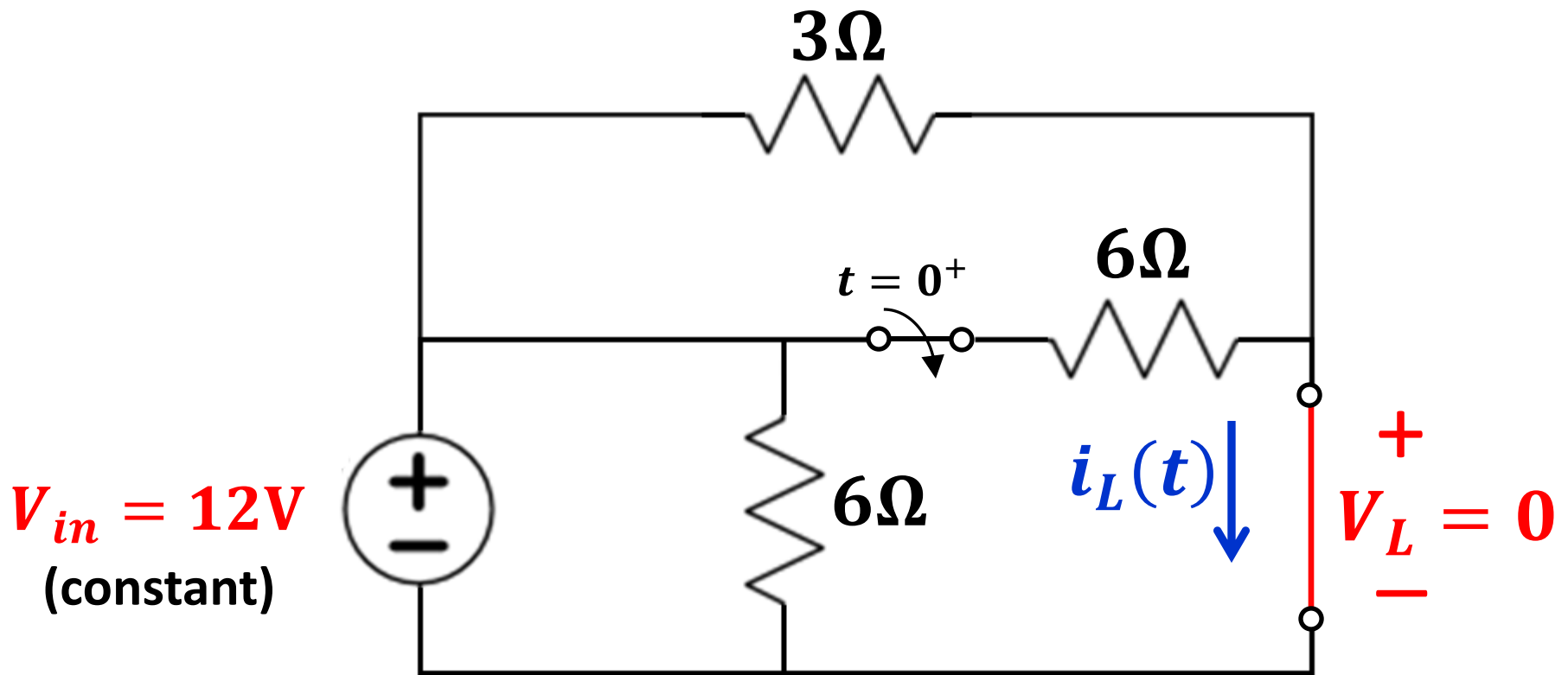
$$V_L(0^+) = 12 - 4 \times 2 = 4V$$



The inductor acts as a short circuit

Step ③ Find  $i_L(\infty)$

$$i_L(\infty) = K_2 = V_{in} / (3\Omega // 6\Omega) = 12 / 2 = 6 \text{ A}$$



The inductor acts as a short circuit at  $t \rightarrow \infty$

Step ③ Find  $i_L(\infty)$

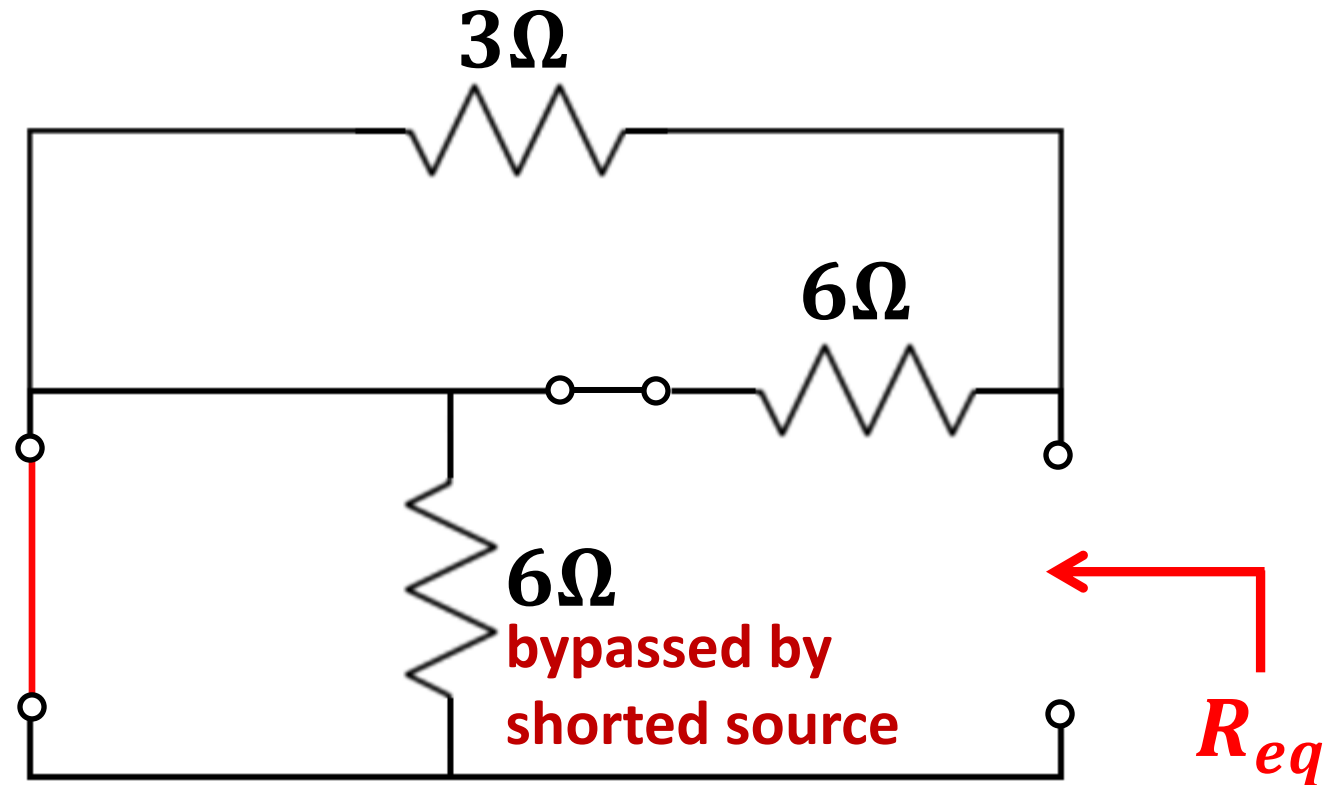
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$$i_L(0^+) = i_L(0^-) = K_1 + K_2 = 4 \text{ A}$$



$$K_2 = 6 \text{ A}$$

$$K_1 = -2 \text{ A}$$



Step ④ Find  $\alpha$

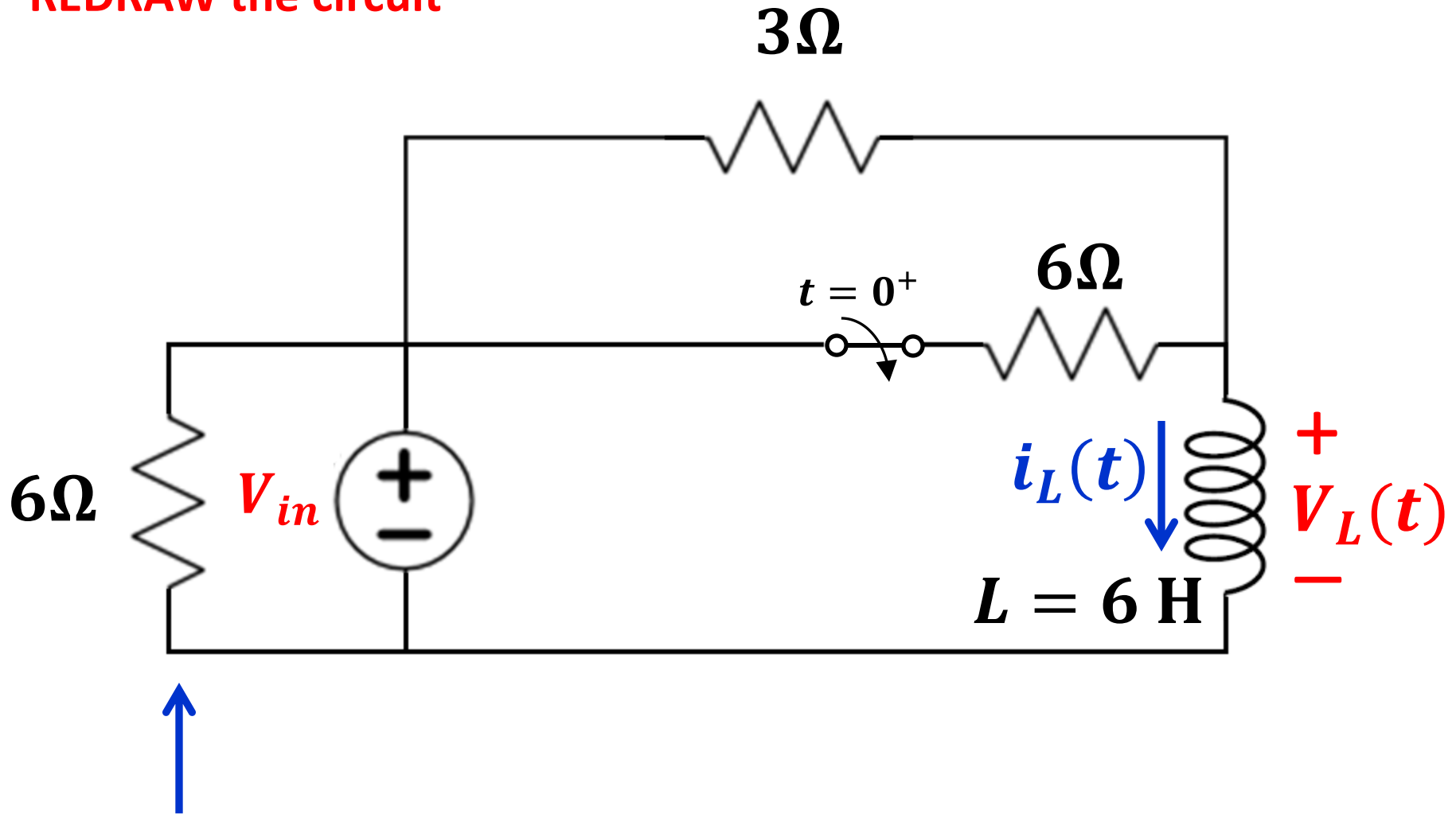
$$R_{eq} = 3\Omega // 6\Omega = 2\Omega$$

$$\alpha = \frac{R_{eq}}{L} = \frac{2}{6} = \frac{1}{3} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

Step ⑤ Find  $i_L(t)$

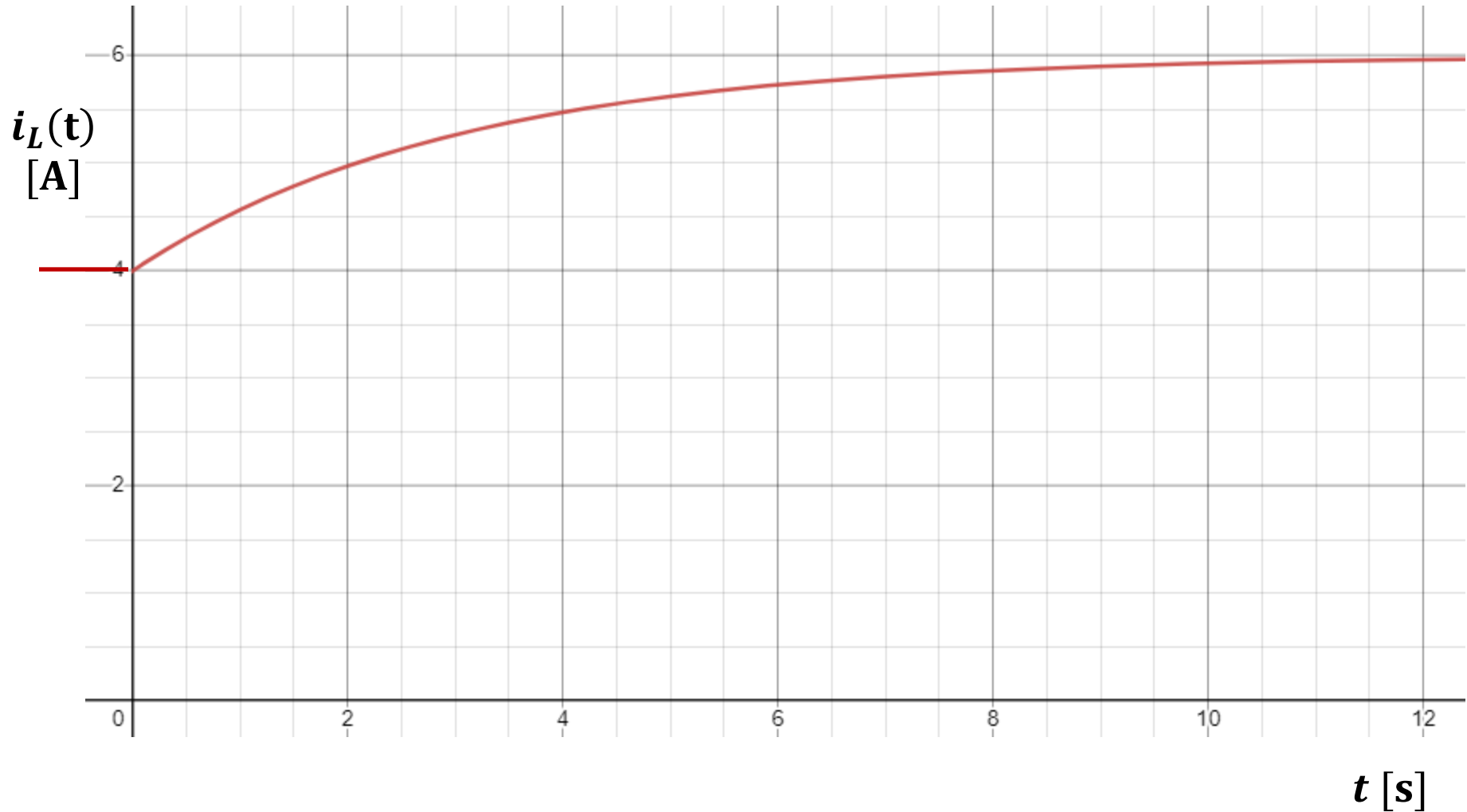
$$i_L(t) = -2e^{-t/3} + 6 \text{ [A]}$$

**REDRAW the circuit**



**NOTE:** This resistor does not affect the rest of the circuit because it is in parallel with the voltage source.

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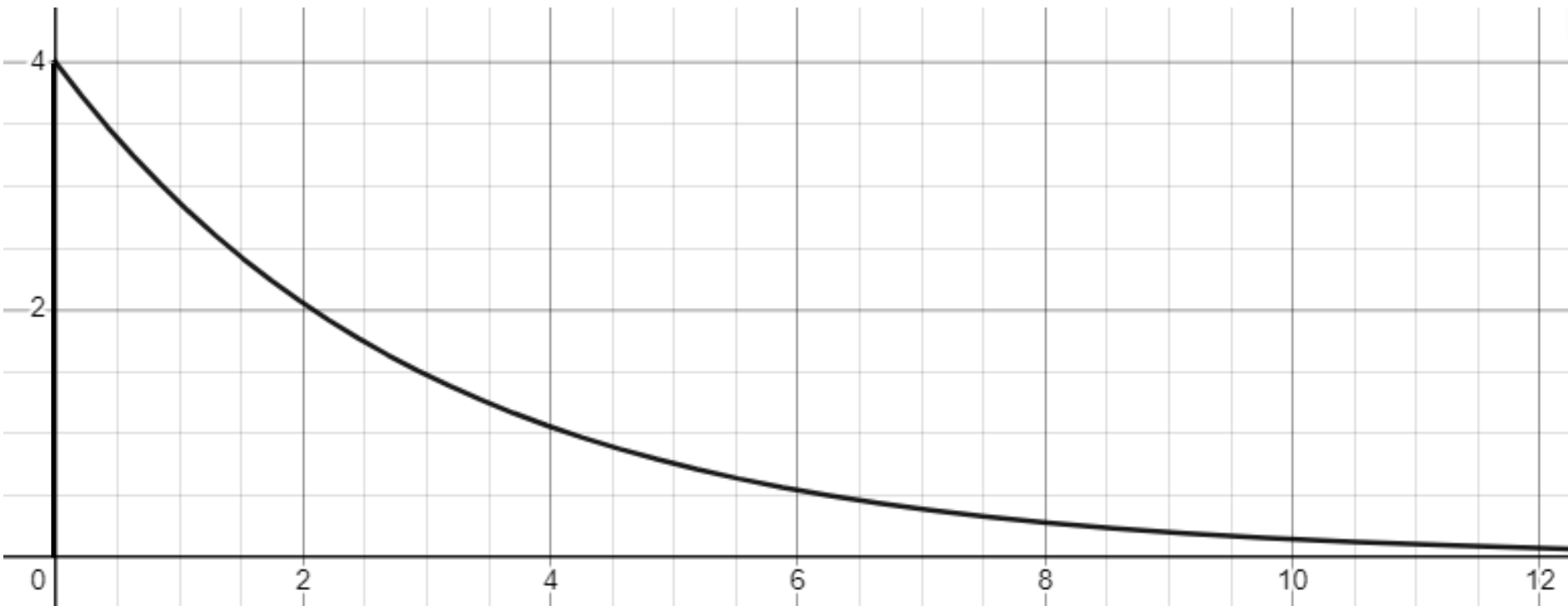


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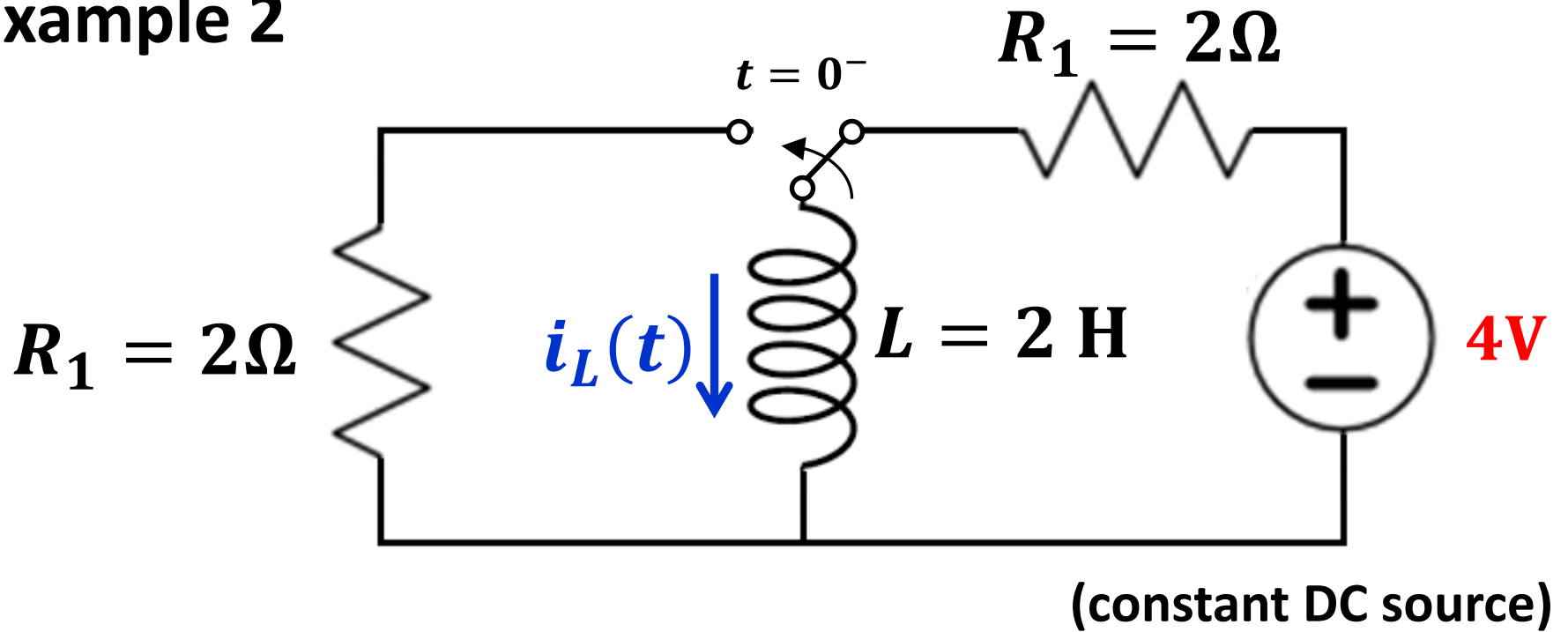
$$L = 6 \text{ H}$$

Find the inductor voltage

$$V_L(t) = L \frac{d}{dt} i_L(t) = 6 \times \frac{2}{3} e^{-t/3} \text{ [V]}$$



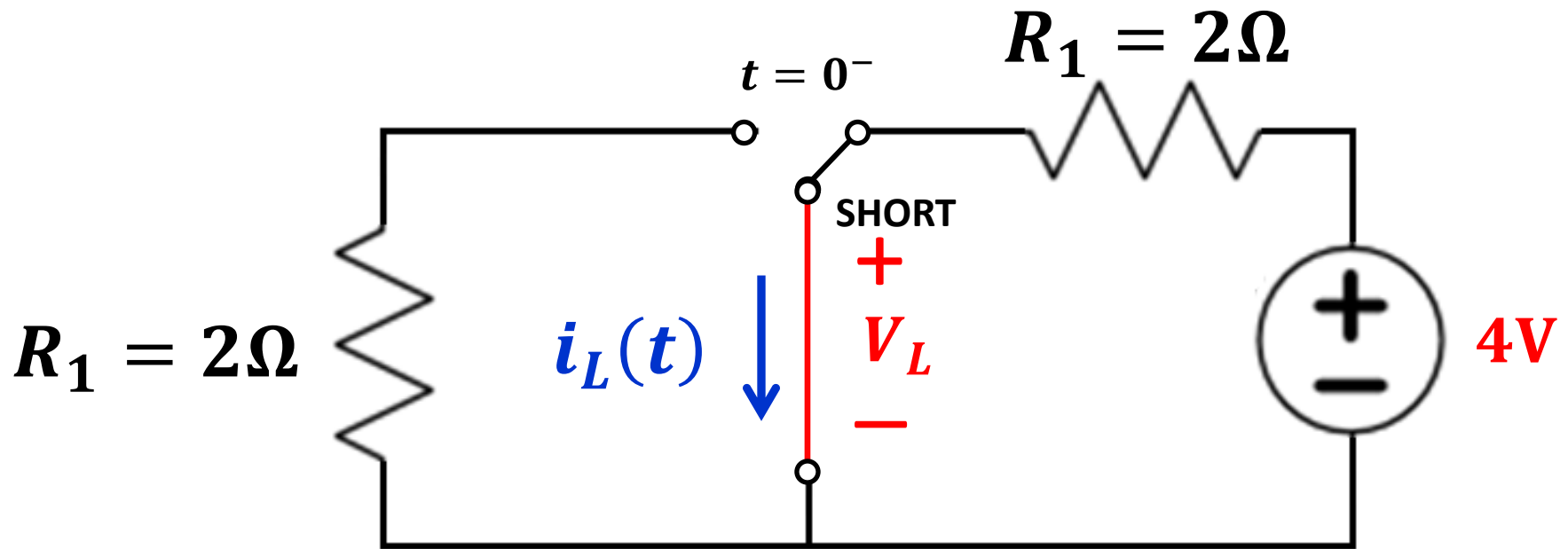
## Example 2



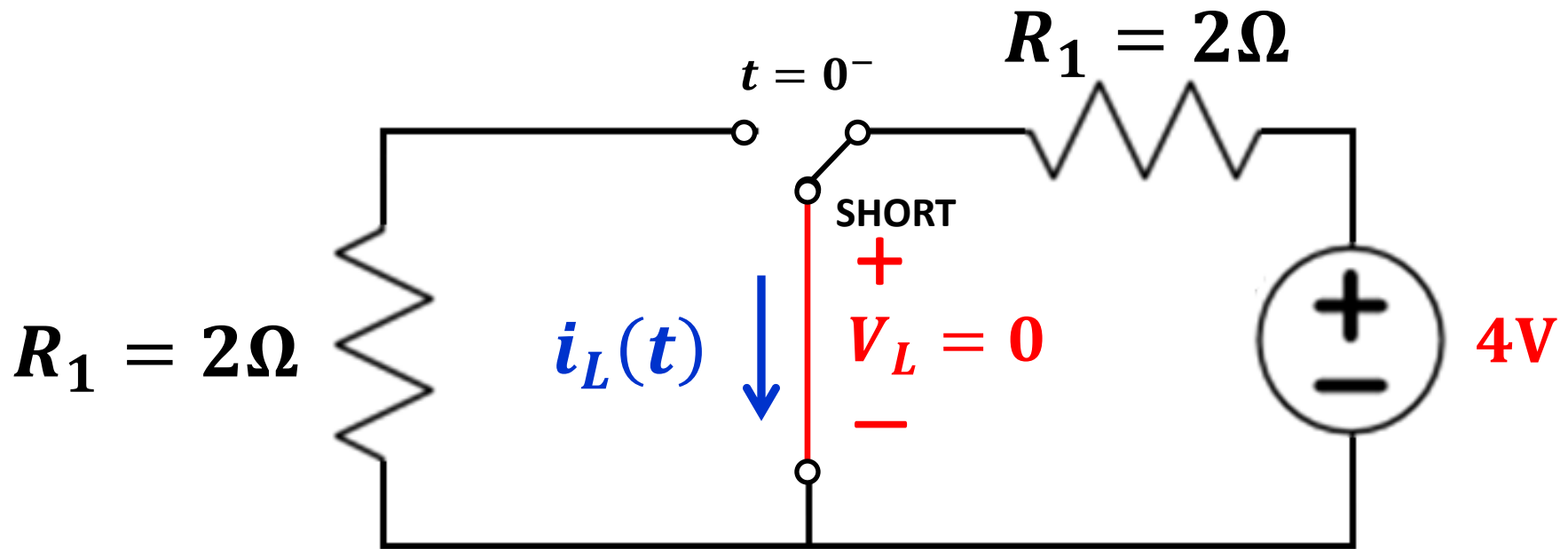
Find  $i_L(t)$

Switch moves to the left position at  $t = 0^+$

$$i_L(t) = K_1 e^{-\alpha t} + K_2 \quad [\text{A}]$$



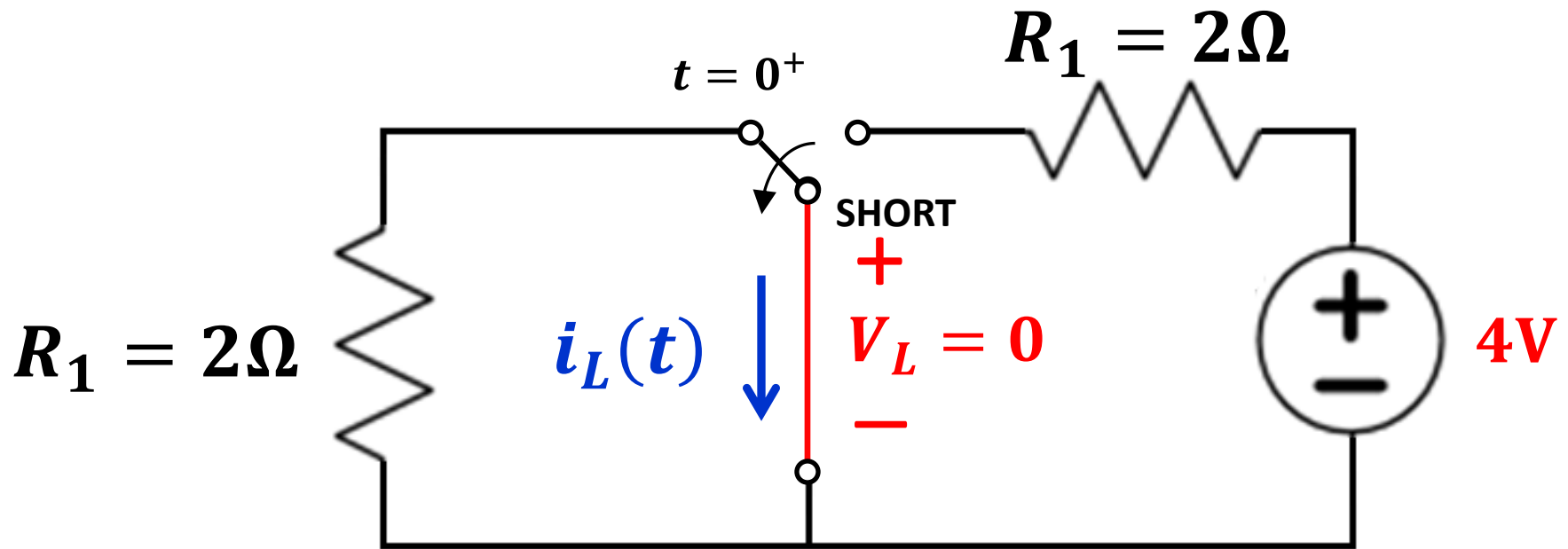
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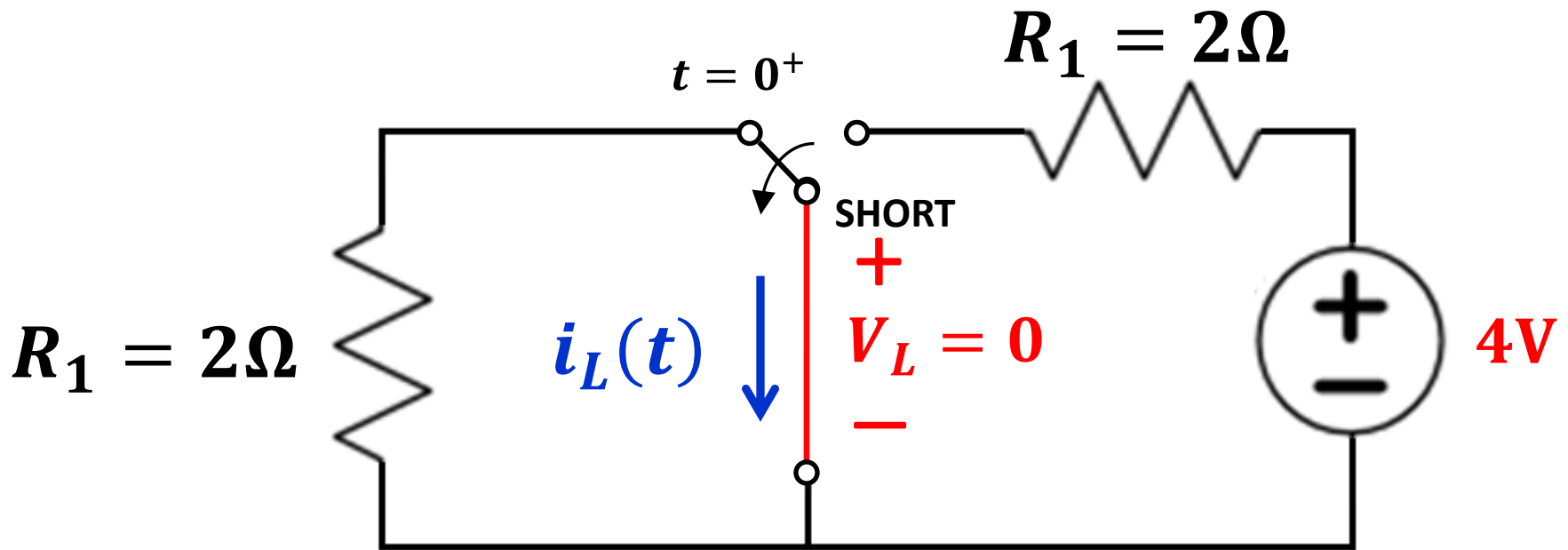
$$i_L(0^-) = \frac{4\text{V}}{2\Omega} = 2 \text{ [A]}$$

$$V_L(0^-) = 0 \text{ V}$$



Step ② Find  $i_L(0^+)$

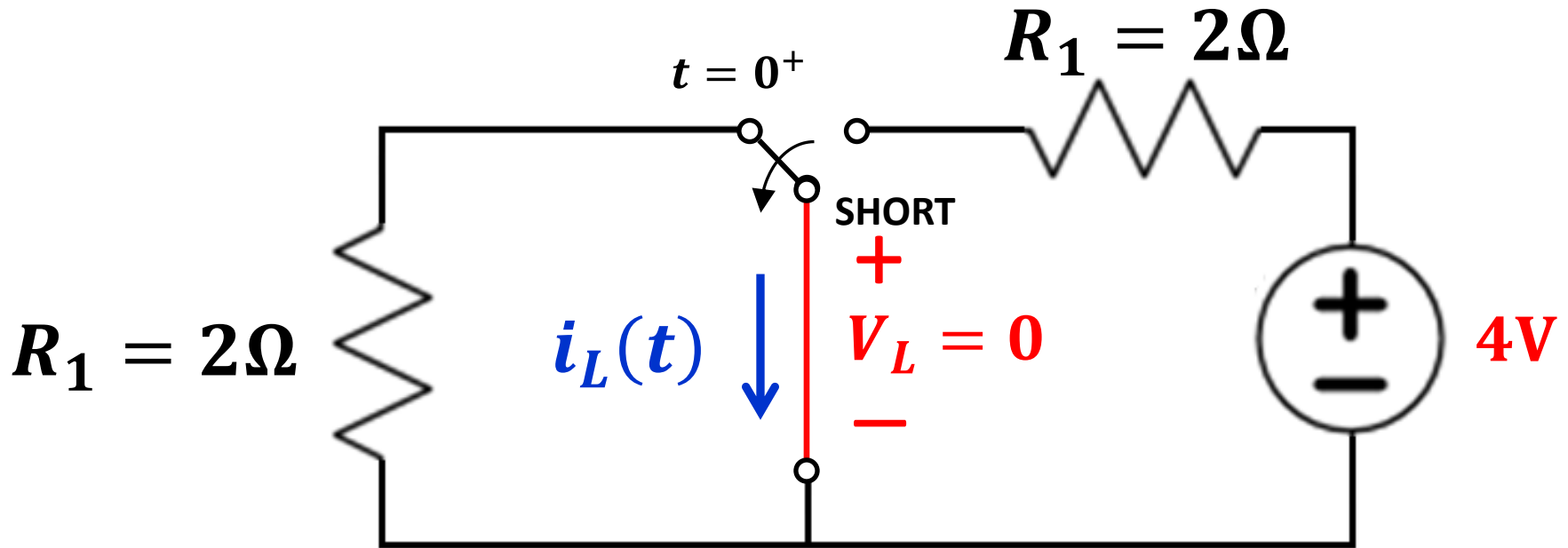
$$i_L(0^+) = i_L(0^-) = K_1 + K_2 = 2 \text{ A}$$



Step ② Find  $i_L(0^+)$

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What is  $V_L(0^+)$  ?



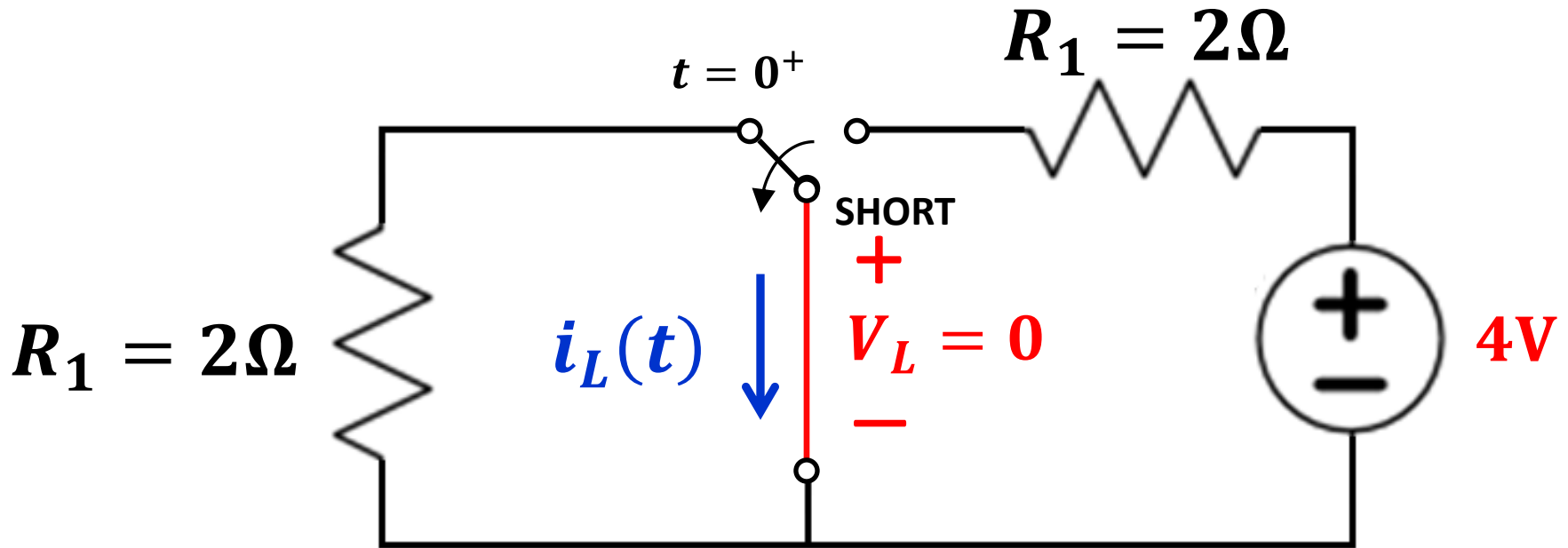
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What is  $V_L(0^+)$ ? Write the KVL:

$$V_L(0^+) + R_1 \times i_L(0^+) = 0$$

$$V_L(0^+) = -R_1 \times i_L(0^+) = -2 \times 2 = -4 \text{ V}$$



Step ② Find  $i_L(0^+)$

$$i_L(0^+) = i_L(0^-) = K_1 + K_2 = 2 \text{ A}$$

Step ③ Find  $i_L(\infty)$

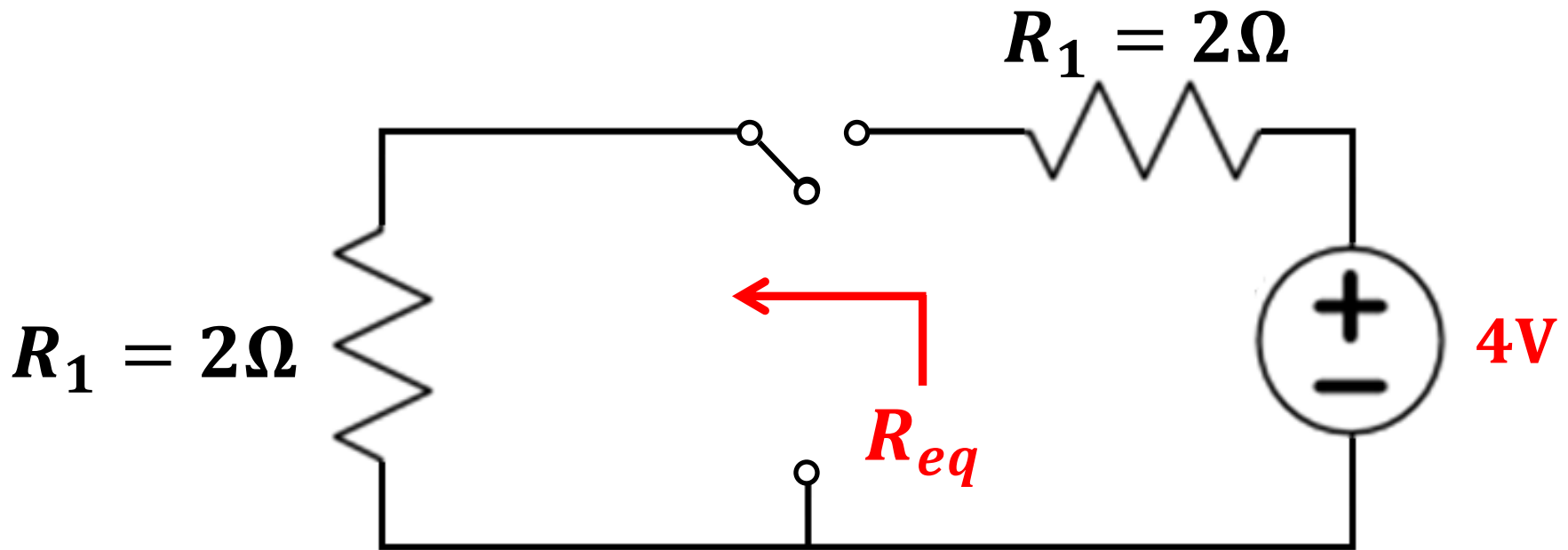
$$i_L(\infty) = K_2 = 0 \text{ A}$$



$$K_2 = 0 \text{ A}$$

$$K_1 = 2 \text{ A}$$





Step ④ Find  $\alpha$

$$R_{eq} = 2\Omega$$

$$\alpha = \frac{R_{eq}}{L} = \frac{2\Omega}{2\text{H}} = 1\text{ s}^{-1}$$

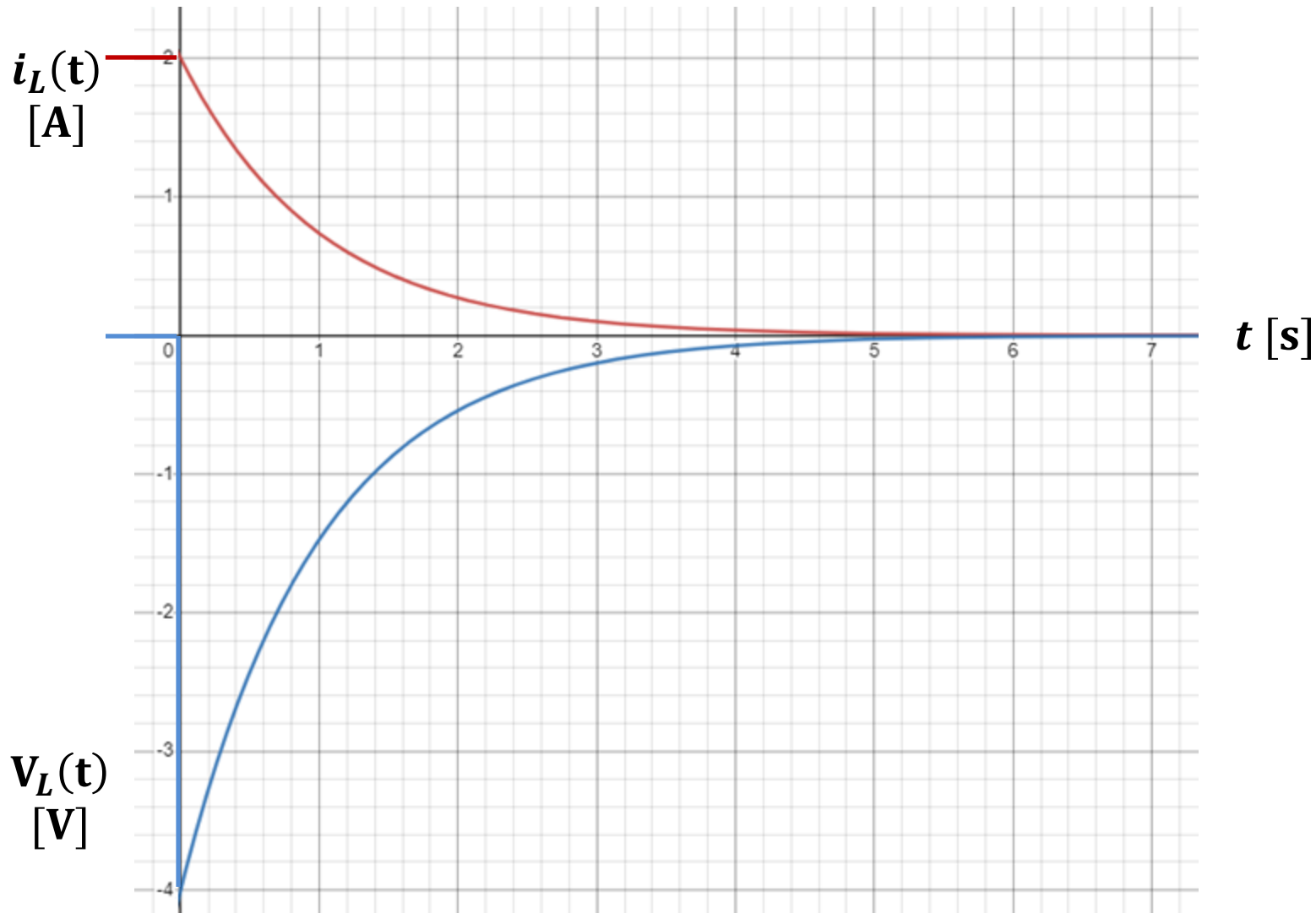
Step ⑤ Find  $i_L(t)$

→ 
$$i_L(t) = K_1 e^{-\alpha t} + K_2 = 2e^{-t} \text{ [A]}$$

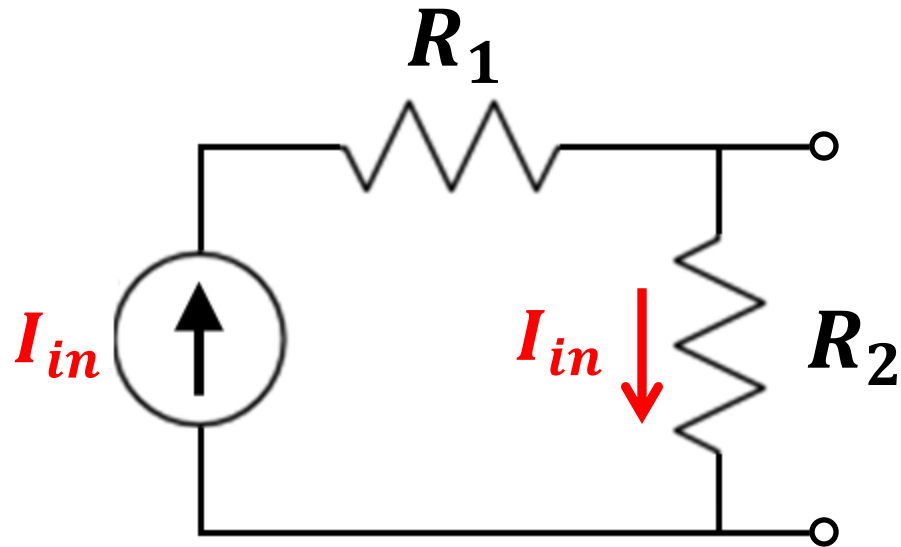
$$i_L(t) = K_1 e^{-\alpha t} + K_2 = 2e^{-t} \text{ [A]}$$

$$V_L(t) = L d(2e^{-t})/dt = -4e^{-t} \text{ [V]}$$

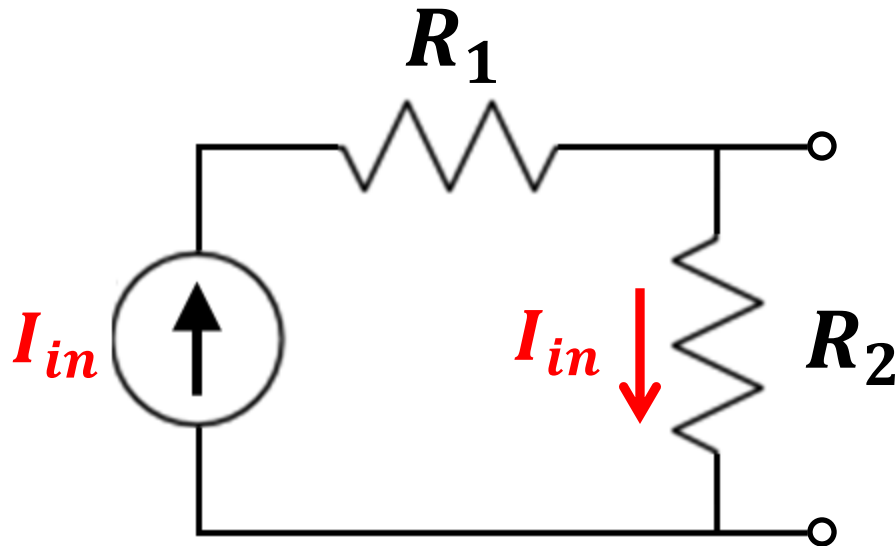
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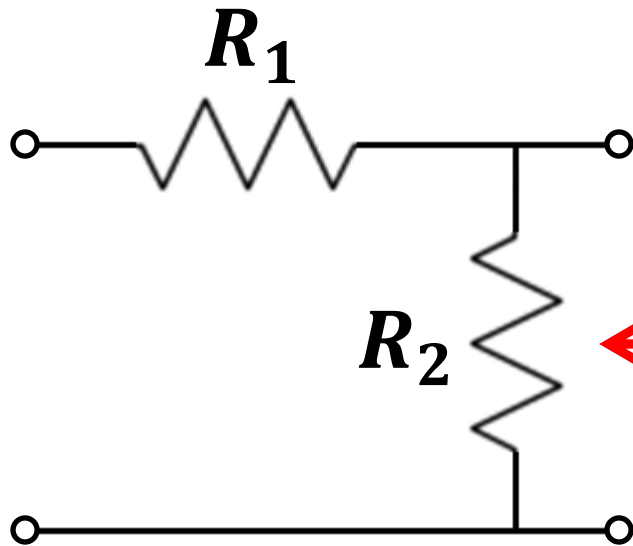
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**Open circuit voltage**

$$V_{TH} = R_2 \times I_{in}$$

$R_1$  does not play a role in determining the Thevenin circuit equivalent.



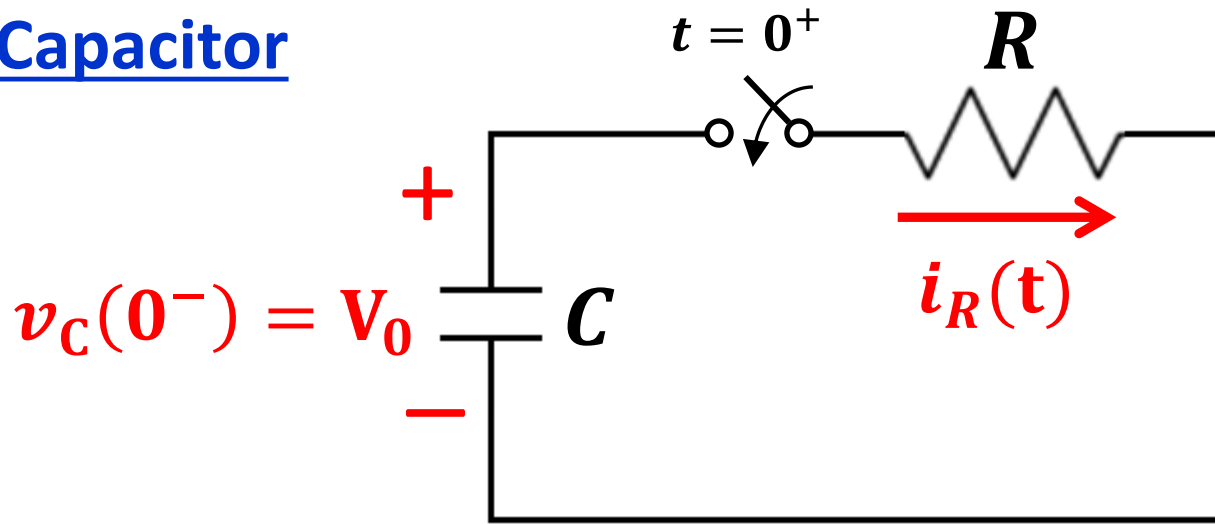
$$R_{TH} = R_2$$

This could be useful in HW6 Q3

# Power Considerations

1. **Energy stored by a capacitor**
2. **Energy stored by an inductor**

# Capacitor

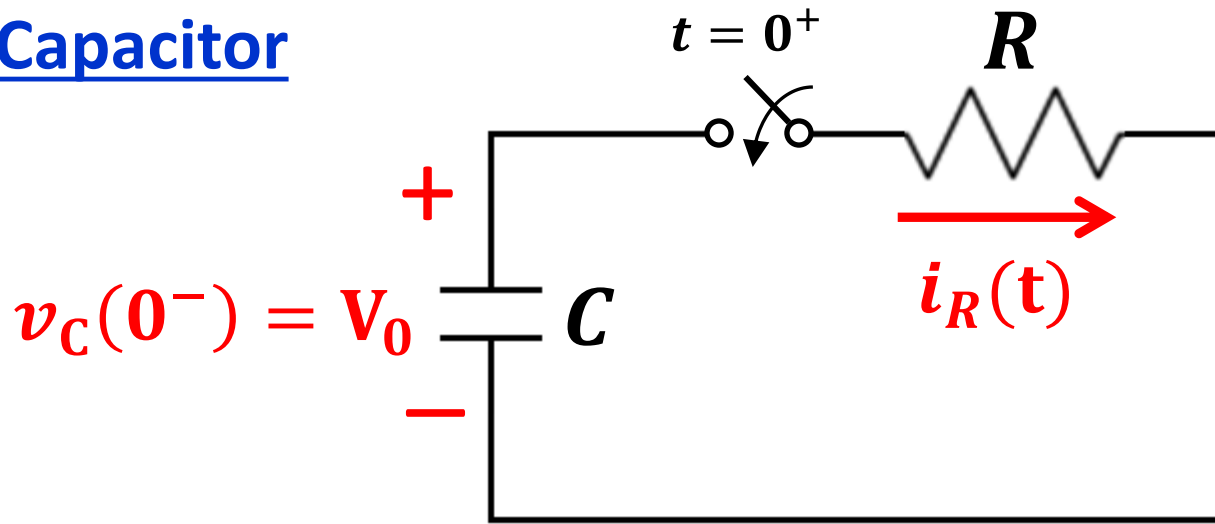


$$\alpha = \frac{1}{\tau} = \frac{1}{RC}$$

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At  $t \rightarrow \infty$  the resistor has dissipated all the energy stored in the capacitor

# Capacitor



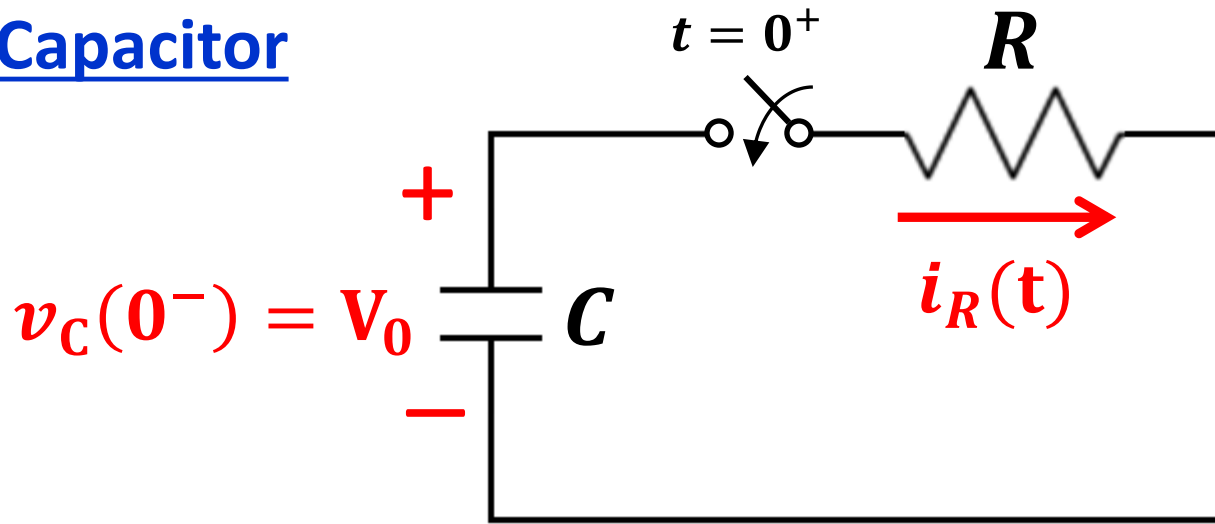
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# Capacitor



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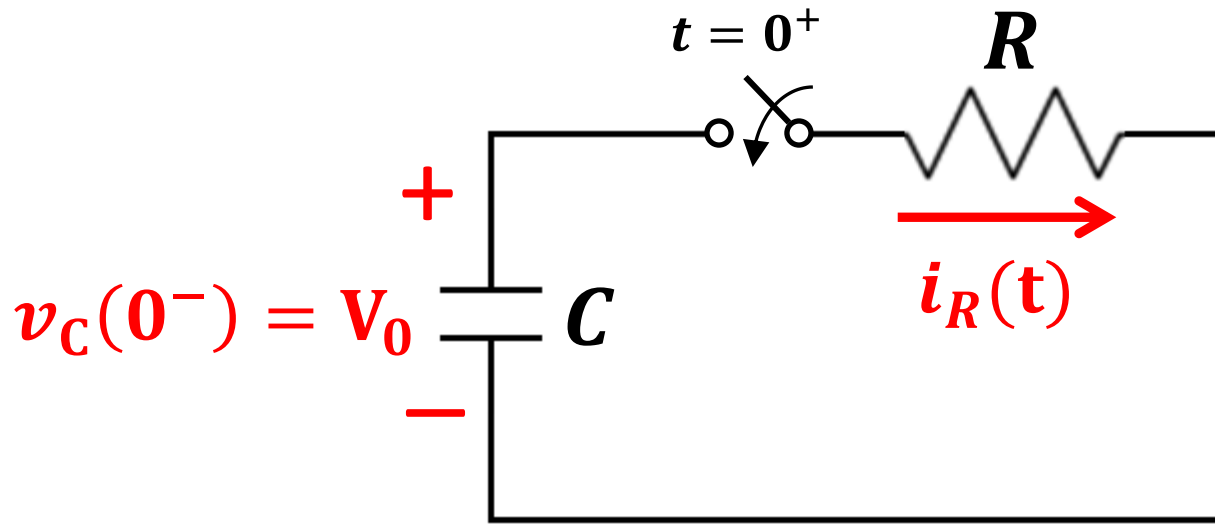
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**Energy absorbed** 
$$w_R(t) = \int_0^t p_R(t') dt' = \int_0^t \frac{V_0^2 e^{-2\alpha t'}}{R} dt'$$
$$= -\frac{\tau V_0^2}{2R} e^{-2\alpha t} \Big|_0^t = \frac{1}{2} C V_0^2 [1 - e^{-2\alpha t}]$$





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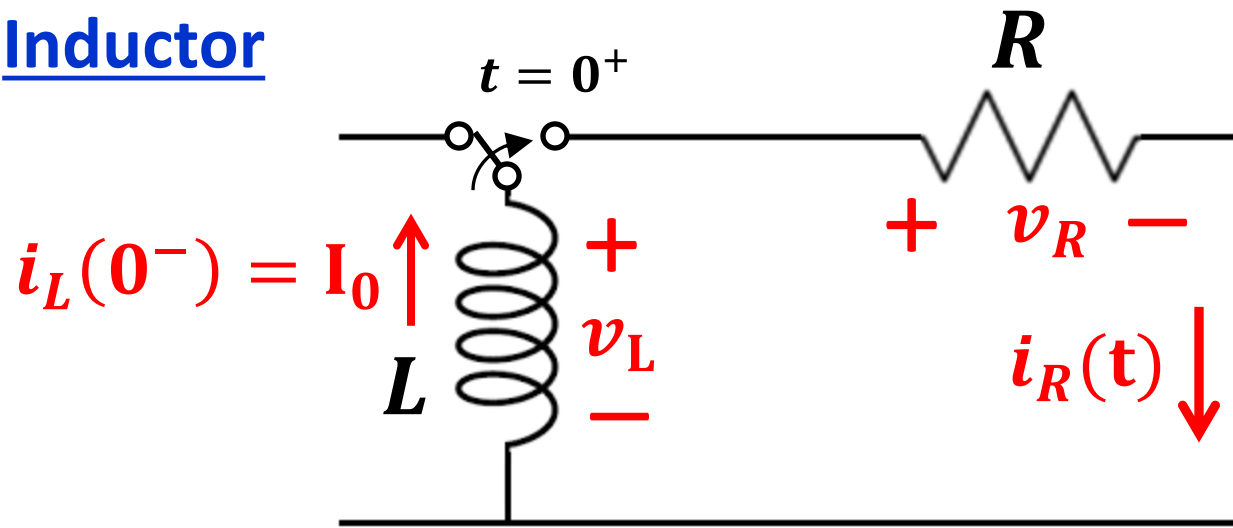
$$w_R(t) = \frac{1}{2} C V_0^2 [1 - e^{-2\alpha t}]$$

$t \rightarrow \infty$

$$w_R(t \rightarrow \infty) = \frac{1}{2} C V_0^2$$

Energy dissipated by  $R$  = Energy stored by  $C$

# Inductor

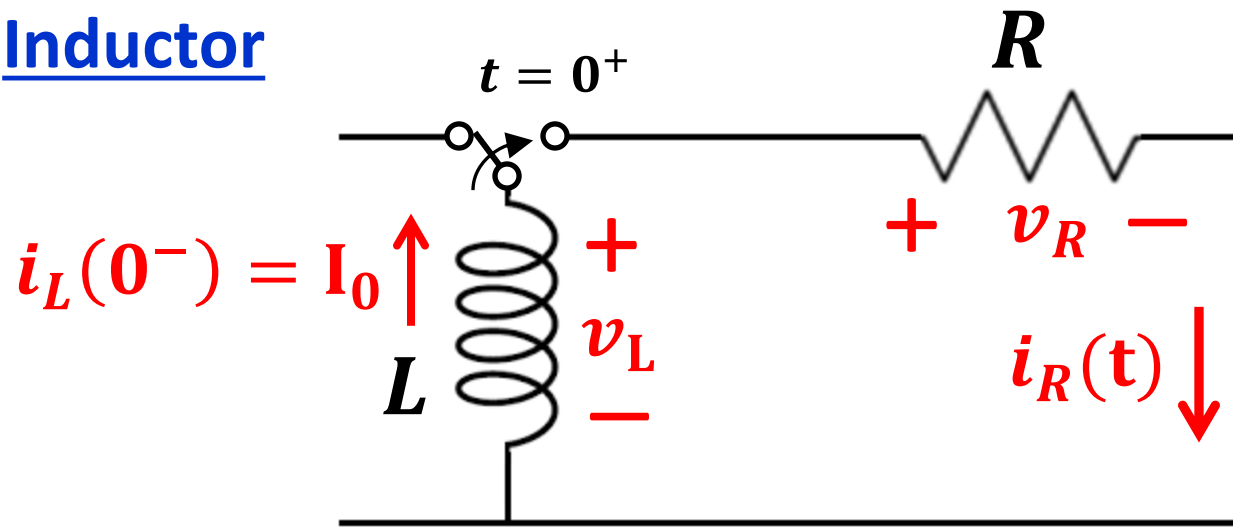


$$\alpha = \frac{1}{\tau} = \frac{R}{L}$$

$$L = \tau R$$

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## Inductor



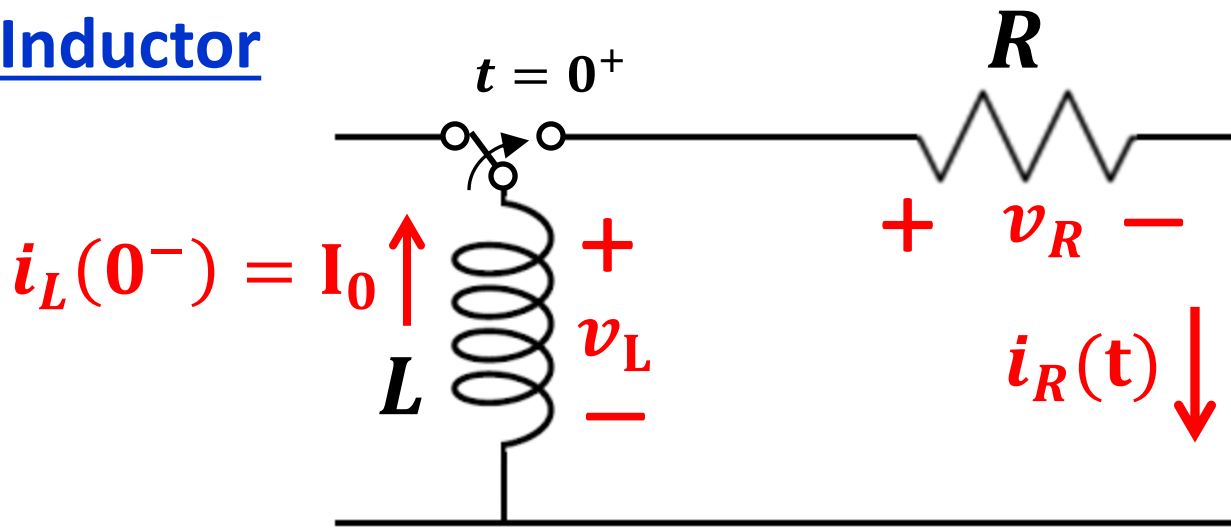
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# Inductor



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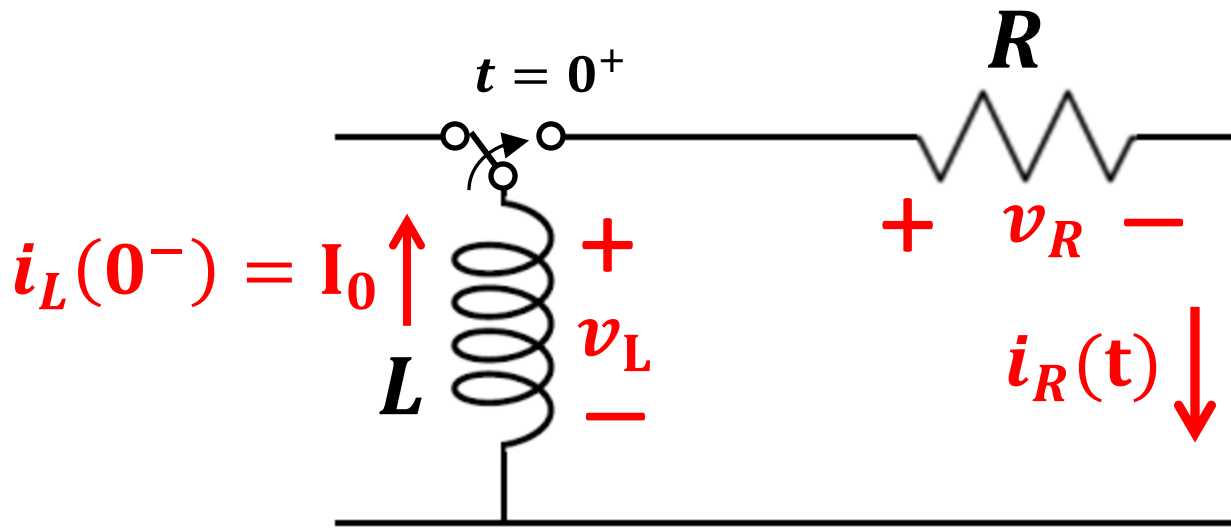
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Energy absorbed

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$t \rightarrow \infty$

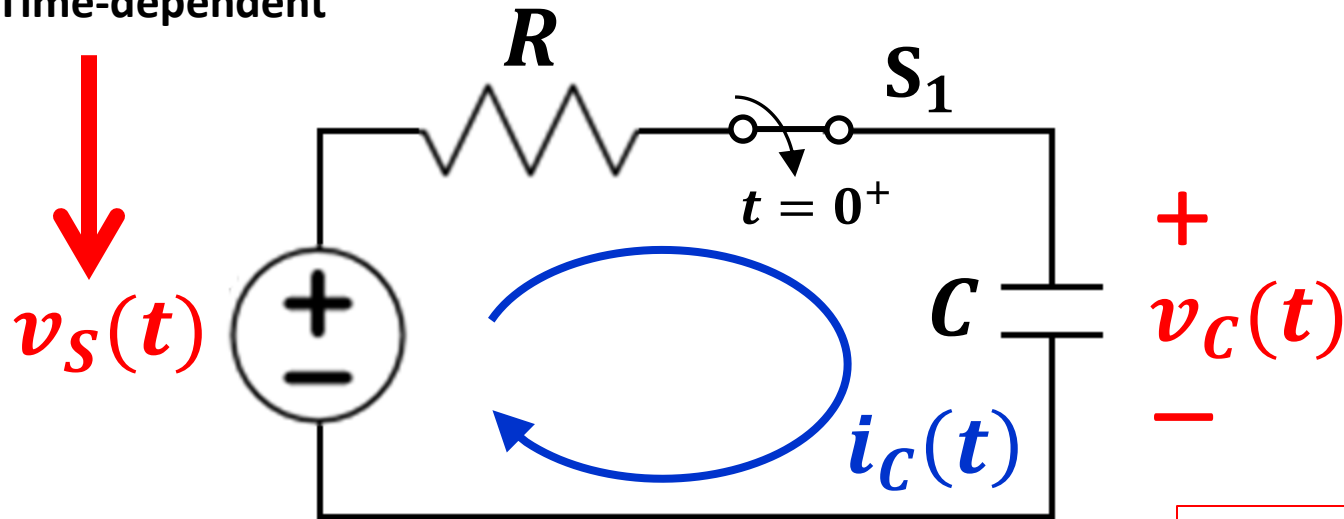
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Energy dissipated by  $R$  = Energy stored by  $L$

# RC and RL circuits with time-dependent input

# RC circuit

Time-dependent



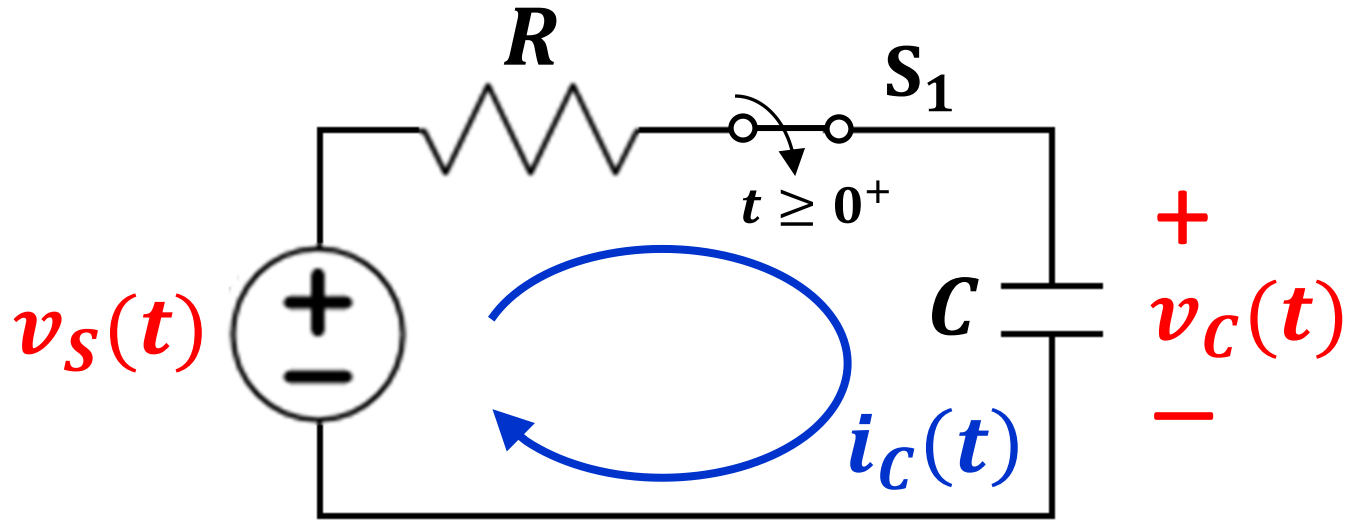
$$i_C(t) = C \frac{dv_C(t)}{dt}$$

KVL for the RC circuit

$$-v_S(t) + Ri_C(t) + v_C(t) = 0$$

$$RC \frac{d}{dt} v_C(t) + v_C(t) = v_S(t)$$

# RC circuit



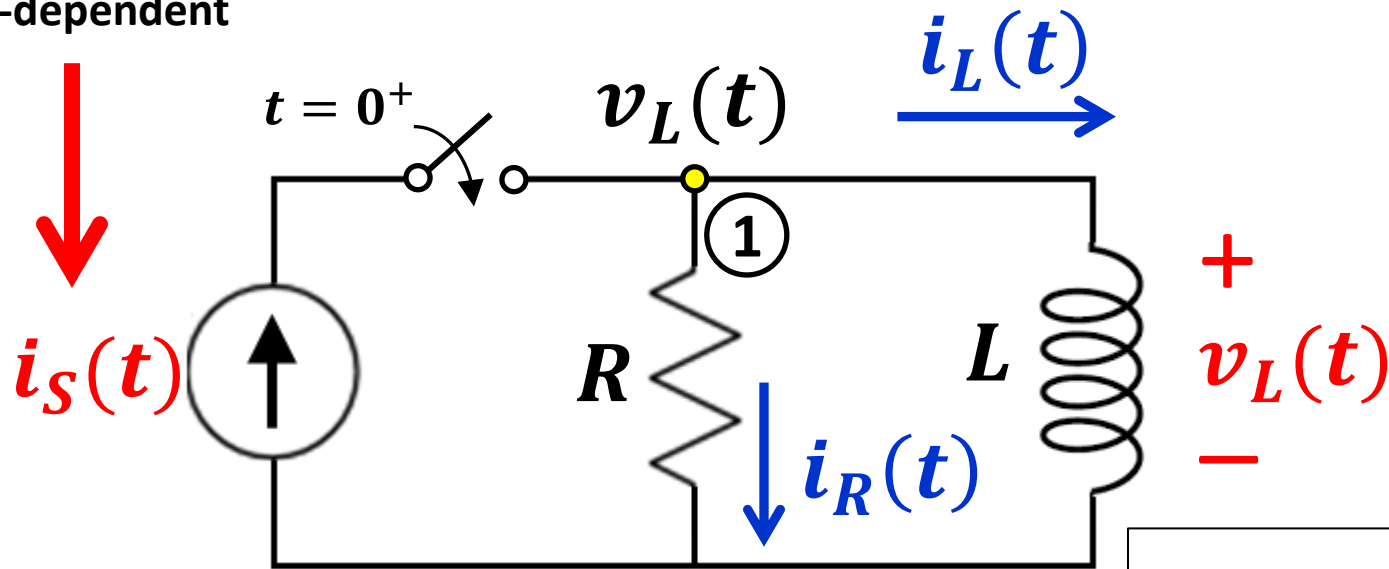
The RC circuit is described by the differential equation

$$\frac{d}{dt} v_C(t) + \frac{1}{RC} v_C(t) = \frac{1}{RC} v_S(t)$$



# RL circuit

Time-dependent



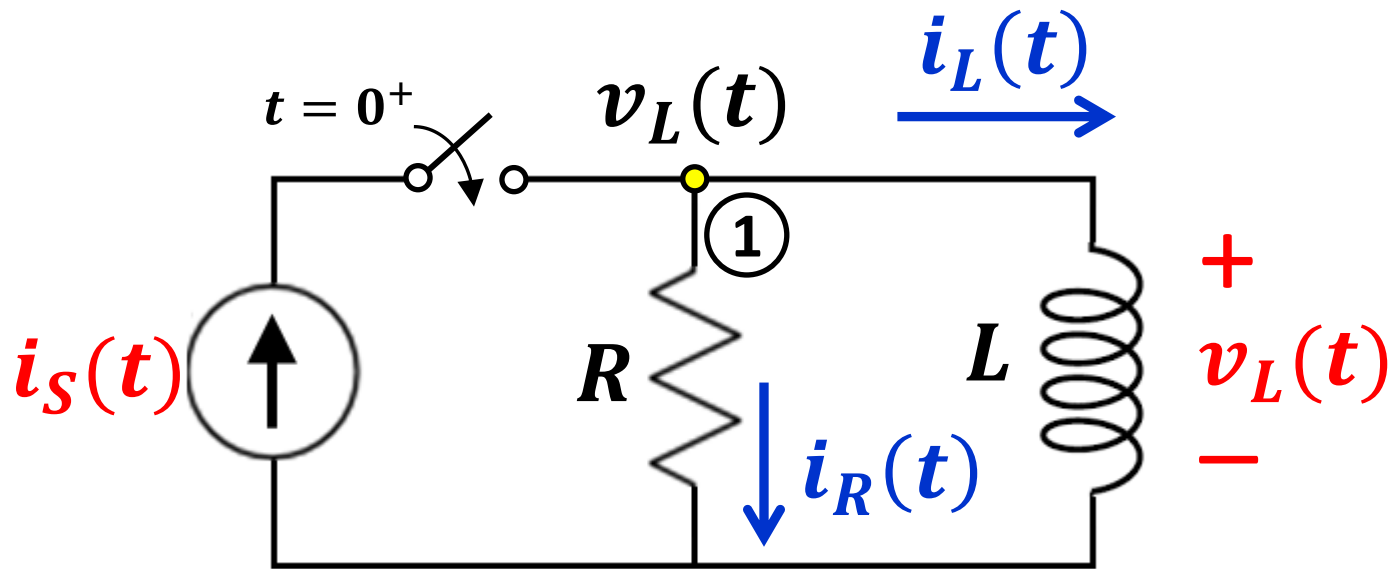
$$v_L(t) = L \frac{d}{dt} i_L(t)$$

KVL for the RL loop

$$v_L(t) - R[i_S(t) - i_L(t)] = 0$$

$$L \frac{d}{dt} i_L(t) + R i_L(t) = R i_S(t)$$

# RL circuit



The RL circuit is described by the differential equation

$$\frac{d}{dt} i_L(t) + \frac{R}{L} i_L(t) = \frac{R}{L} i_S(t)$$

The transient behavior for RC and RL circuits is described by the first order ordinary differential equation

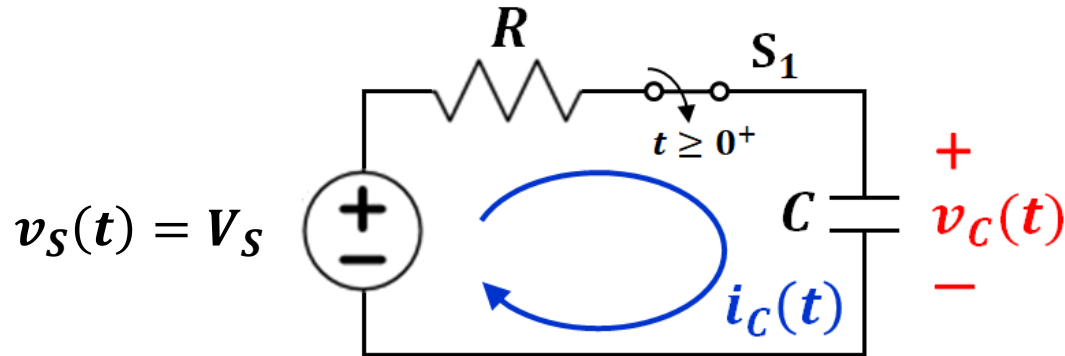
$$\frac{d}{dt}y(t) + a y(t) = b f(t)$$

  
Forcing term

**A solution satisfies the initial condition**

$$y(0^-) = y(0^+)$$

# CASE 1 – RC circuit with constant $v_S(t) = V_S$



$$\frac{d}{dt} V_C(t) + \frac{1}{RC} V_C(t) = \frac{1}{RC} V_S \quad \boxed{1}$$

Initial  
condition

$$V_C(0^-) = V_C(0^+)$$

**The solution can be written in the form**

$$V_C(t) = u_h(t) + \underbrace{K_2}_{\text{constant}}$$

In our case, we have:

$$V_C(t) = V_h(t) + V_S$$



$$\frac{d}{dt} [V_h + V_S] + \frac{1}{RC} [V_h + \cancel{V_S}] = \frac{1}{RC} \cancel{V_S}$$



$$\frac{d}{dt} V_h(t) + \frac{1}{RC} V_h(t) = 0$$

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Equation 2 is homogeneous and can be integrated as

$$V_h(t) = K_1 e^{-t/RC}$$

**Complete solution**

$$V_C(t) = V_h(t) + K_2 = K_1 e^{-t/RC} + K_2$$

$$V_C(0^-) = V_C(0^+) \rightarrow V_C(0^-) = K_1 + K_2$$



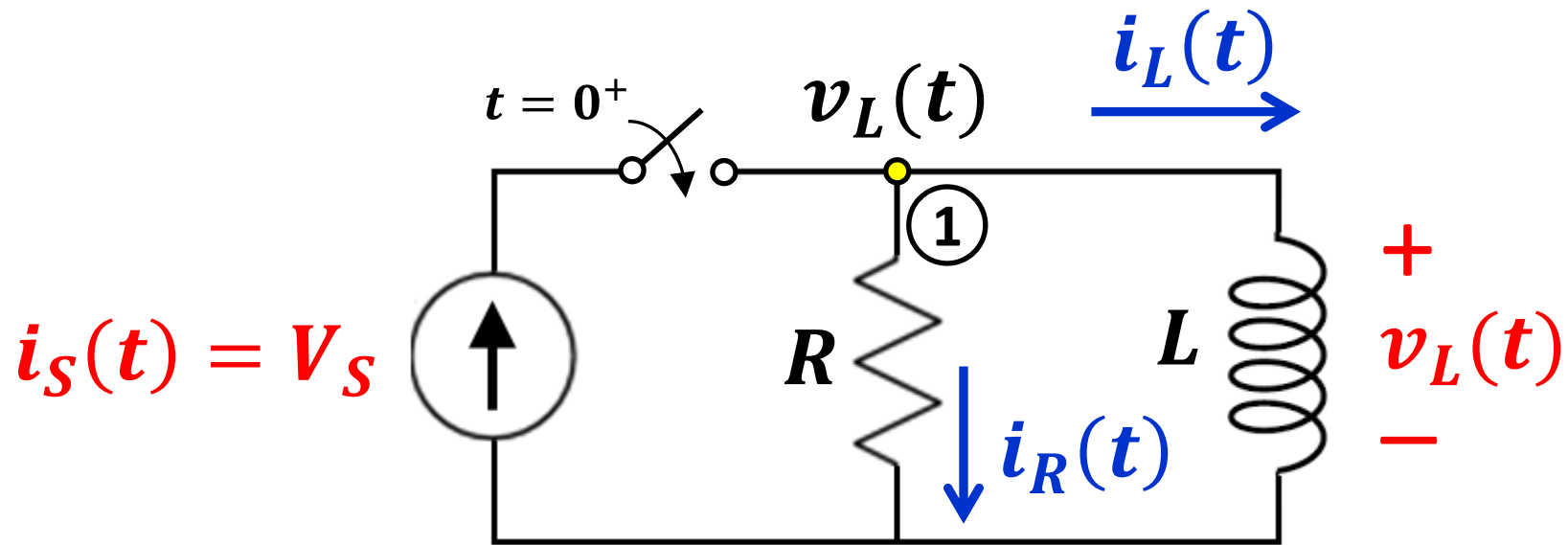
$$K_1 = V_C(0^-) - K_2$$

**Also,**

$$V_C(t \rightarrow \infty) = K_2 = V_S$$

$$V_C(t) = [V_C(0^-) - V_S] e^{-t/RC} + V_S$$

## CASE 2 – RL circuit with constant $i_S(t) = V_S$



Following the same solution steps

$$i_L(t) = [I_L(0^-) - I_S] e^{-(L/R)t} + I_S$$

# CASE 3 – RC or RL circuit with arbitrary input

Differential equation of the type

$$\frac{d}{dt}y(t) + a y(t) = b f(t)$$

General solution

$$y(t) = y_h(t) + y_p(t) \quad t \geq 0$$

Solution of the  
homogeneous equation



Particular solution

$$\frac{d}{dt}y(t) + a y(t) = 0$$



**Solution to the homogeneous equation has the form**

$$y_h(t) = K_1 e^{-\alpha t}$$

**so, the general solution is**

$$y_h(t) = K_1 e^{-\alpha t} + y_p(t)$$



**Homogeneous  
solution**



**Particular  
solution**

**The particular solution depends on the form of the forcing term  $f(t)$  (the source).**

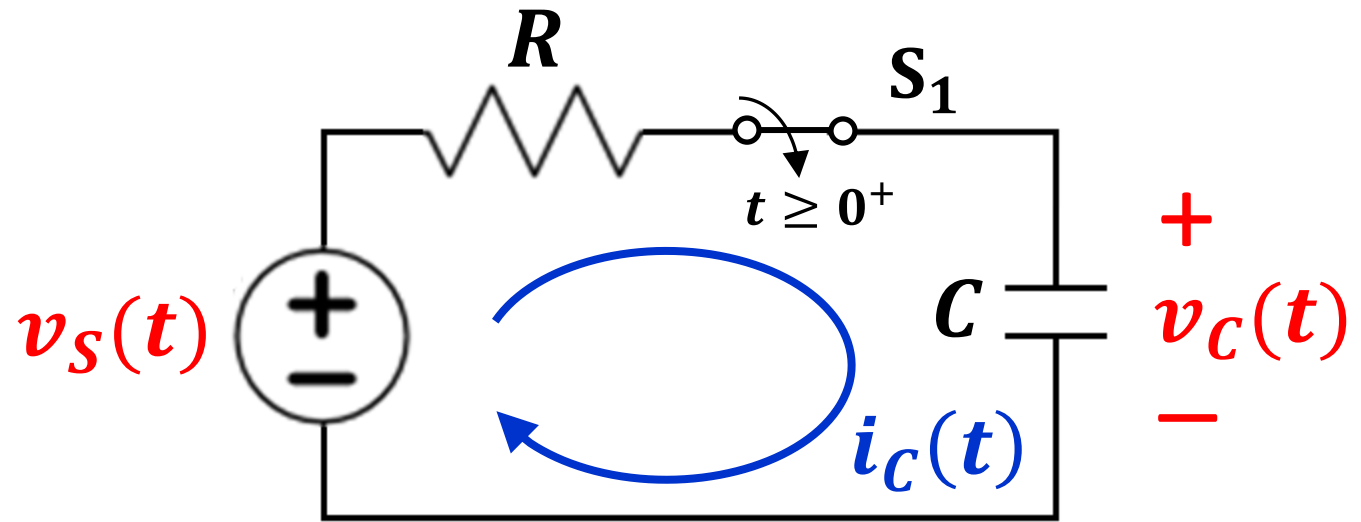
## Examples of particular solutions to

$$\frac{d}{dt}y(t) + a y(t) = b f(t)$$

	function $f(t)$	Particular solution $y_p(t)$
1	constant $D$	constant $K$
2	$D \times t$	$Kt + L$ for some $K$ and $L$
3	$D \times e^{mt}$	$K e^{mt}$ if $m \neq -a$ $K t e^{mt}$ if $m = -a$
4	$\cos(\omega t)$	$A \cos(\omega t + \theta) *$
5	$\sin(\omega t)$	$A \sin(\omega t + \theta) *$

\*  $A$  and  $\theta$  depend on  $\omega$ ,  $a$ , and  $b$

# Example



For simplicity

$$RC = 1\text{s}$$

$$v_s(t) = \cos(t)$$

$$v_c(t = 0^-) = 0\text{V}$$

Differential equation:

$$\frac{1}{RC} = 1 \text{ [s}^{-1}\text{]}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} v_c(t) + v_c(t) = \cos(t)$$

$$\omega = 2\pi f = 1$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}v_C(t) + v_C(t) = \cos(t)$$

From the table of particular solutions

$$V_p(t) = A \cos(t + \theta)$$

$$= \underbrace{A \cos(\theta)}_B \cos(t) - \underbrace{A \sin(\theta)}_C \sin(t)$$

$$V_p(t) = B \cos(t) - C \sin(t)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}V_p(t) = -B \sin(t) - C \cos(t)$$

## Substituting the particular solution and its derivative

$$V_p(t) = B \cos(t) - C \sin(t)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} V_p(t) = -B \sin(t) - C \cos(t)$$

in the original differential equation

$$\frac{d}{dt} v_C(t) + v_C(t) = \cos(t)$$



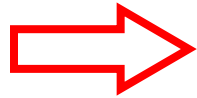
$$\begin{aligned} & -B \cos(t) - C \sin(t) \\ & + B \sin(t) - C \cos(t) = \cos(t) \end{aligned}$$

$$(B - C) \cos(t) - (B + C) \sin(t) = \cos(t)$$

$$(B - C) = 1 \quad (B + C) = 0$$

$$(B - C) = 1$$

$$(B + C) = 0$$



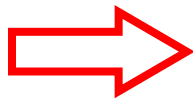
$$B = A \cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$C = A \sin(\theta) = -\frac{1}{2}$$

From the ratio  $C/B$

$$\frac{C}{B} = \frac{A \sin(\theta)}{A \cos(\theta)} = \tan(\theta) = -1$$

we obtain readily that



$$\theta = -\frac{\pi}{4}$$

From above:

$$A = \frac{1}{2 \cos \theta} = \frac{1}{2 \cos\left(-\frac{\pi}{4}\right)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

**From these results, the particular solution is**

$$V_p(t) = A \cos(t + \theta) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cos\left(t - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

**and the complete solution is**

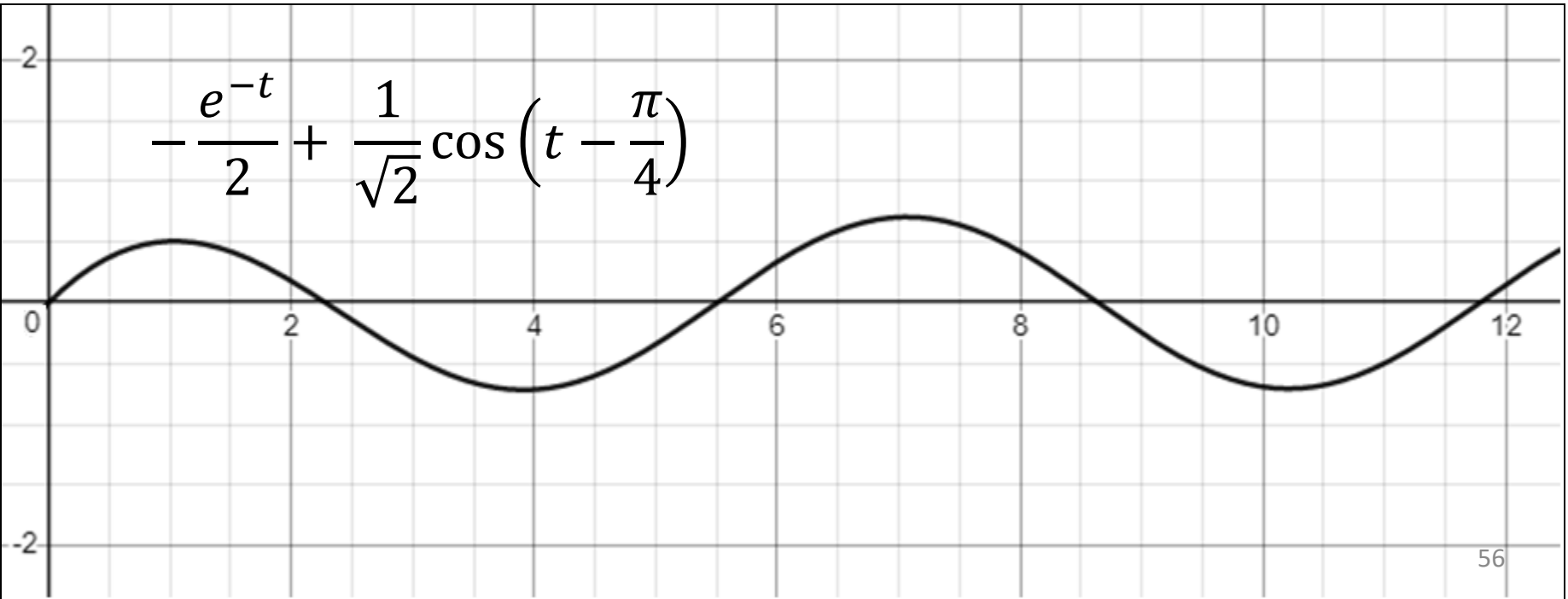
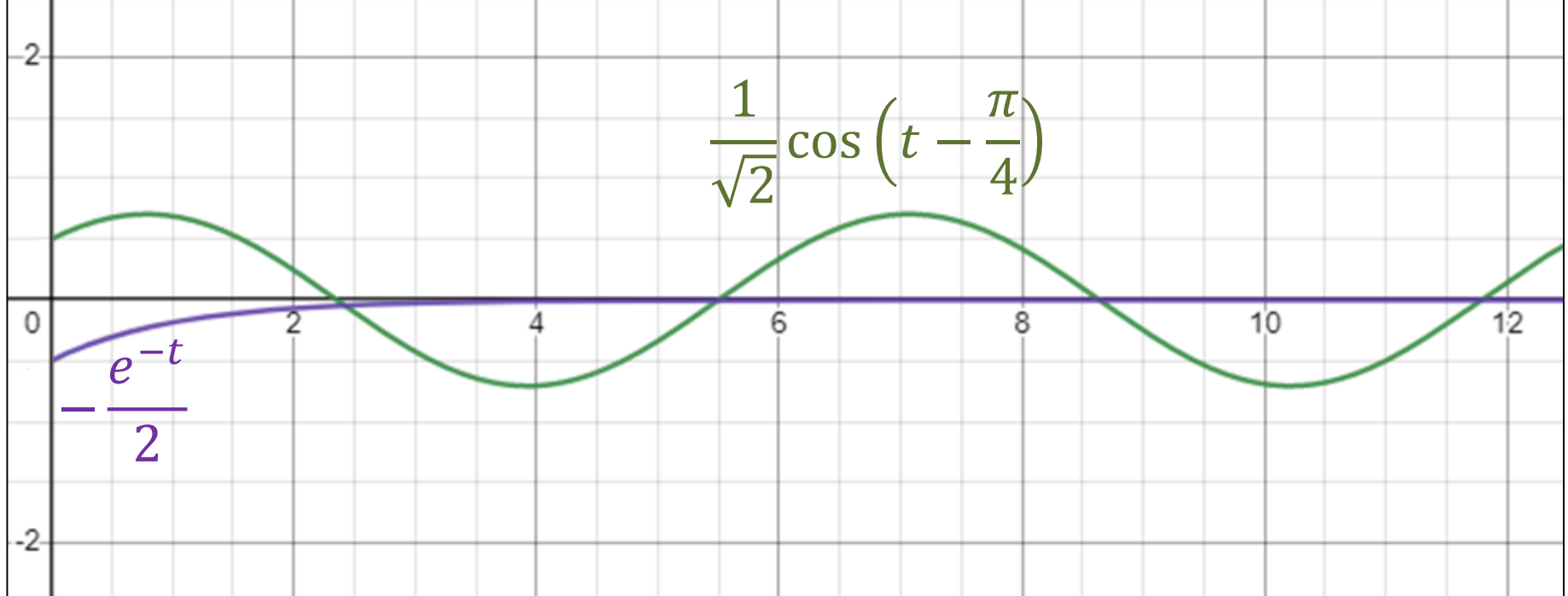
$$V_C(t) = K_1 e^{-t} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cos\left(t - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

**At  $t = 0^+$**

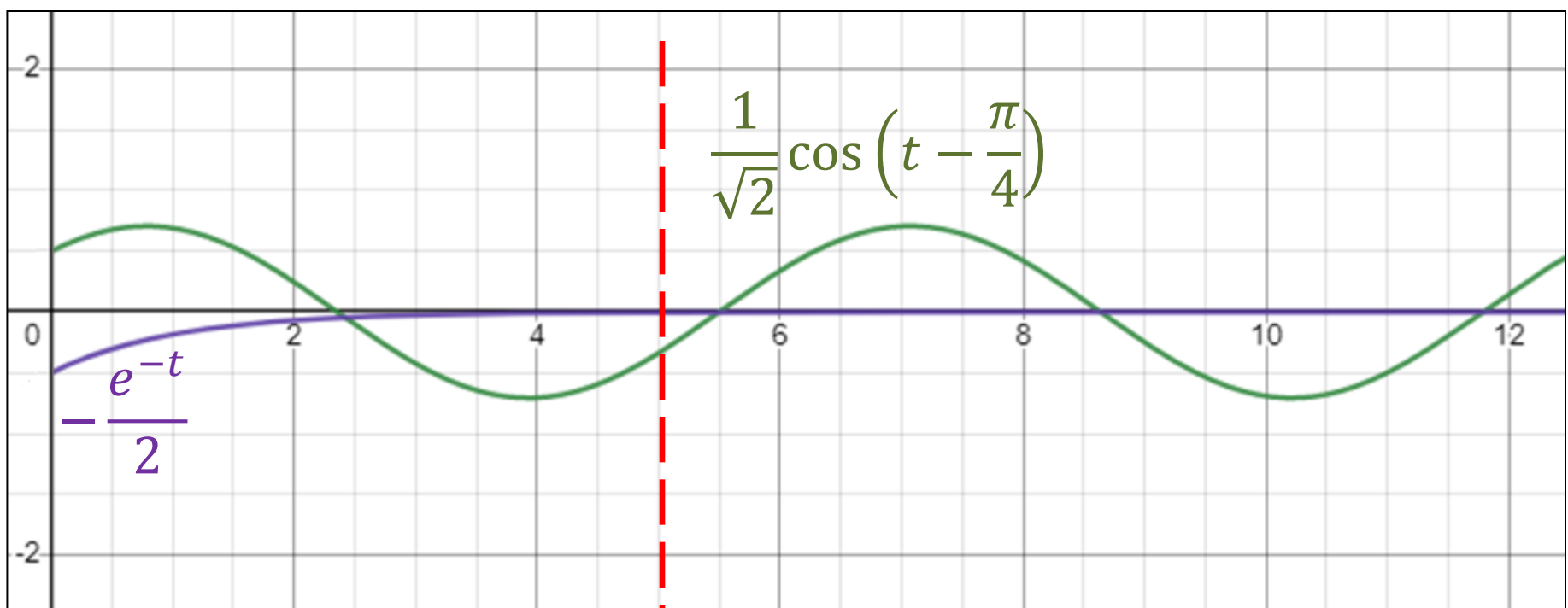
$$0 = K_1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cos\left(-\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = K_1 + \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow K_1 = -\frac{1}{2}$$

**Finally:**

$$V_C(t) = -\frac{e^{-t}}{2} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cos\left(t - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$







**Transient**



**$\approx$  Steady-state**

In many practical situations the transients are very short. We are interested in describing steady-state system response with a more immediate mathematical approach for a **specified frequency of operation**. This will be accomplished next by introducing the **phasor** formalism.