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INSTRUCTION : ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS.

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Q1 (a) Refer to **Figure Q1(a)**;

(i) Find equivalent resistance  $R_{eq}$  and total current,  $I_s$  for this circuit if terminal a – b is open circuited. (Hint: Use source transformation method)

(8 marks)

(ii) Derive the Thevenin and Norton equivalent circuit at terminal a – b. Show all calculations.

(8 marks)

(b) Explain the method for obtaining Thevenin resistance.

(4 marks)

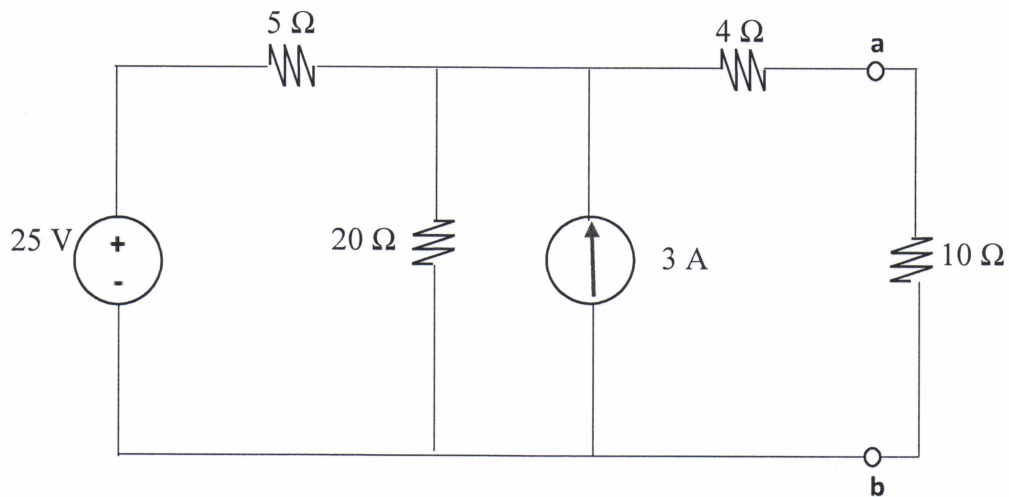


Figure Q1(a)

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- Q2 (a) For circuit in **Figure Q2(a)**;
- (i) Calculate the equivalent resistance at node C- D. (6 marks)
  - (ii) Find the equivalent resistance  $R_{AD}$  at terminal A - D. (6 marks)
- (b) Distinguish dependent and independent source. (4 marks)
- (c) Suggest **TWO (2)** circuit elements using dependent source in its systems. (4 marks)

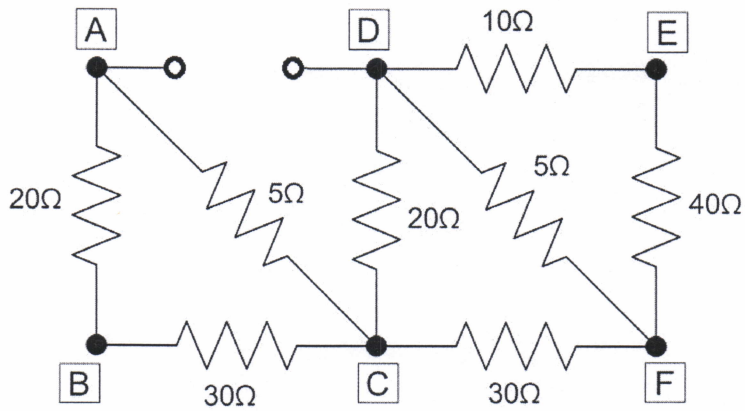


Figure Q2(a)

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- Q3 (a) Define the Kirchoff's current law (KCL) and voltage law (KVL). (4 marks)
- (b) Determine  $i_1$ ,  $i_2$  and  $i_3$  using mesh analysis for **Figure Q3(b)**. (12 marks)
- (c) Differentiate between a supernode and supermesh. (4 marks)

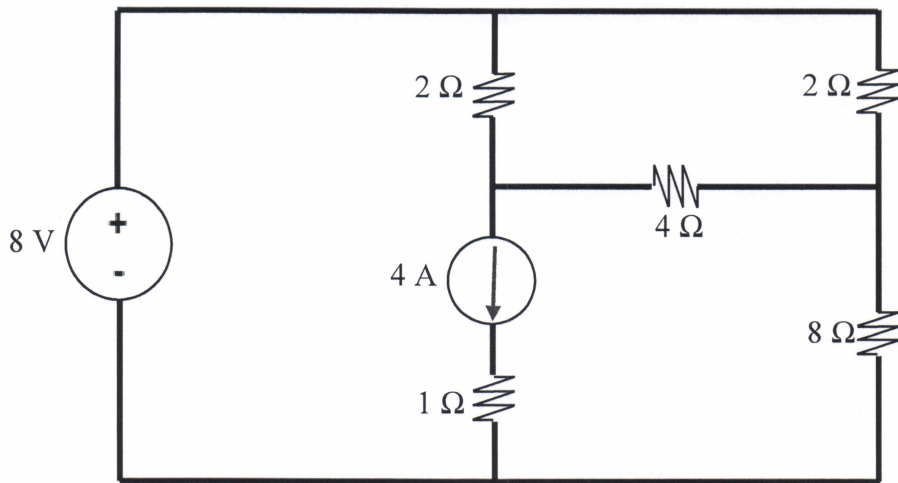


Figure Q3(b)

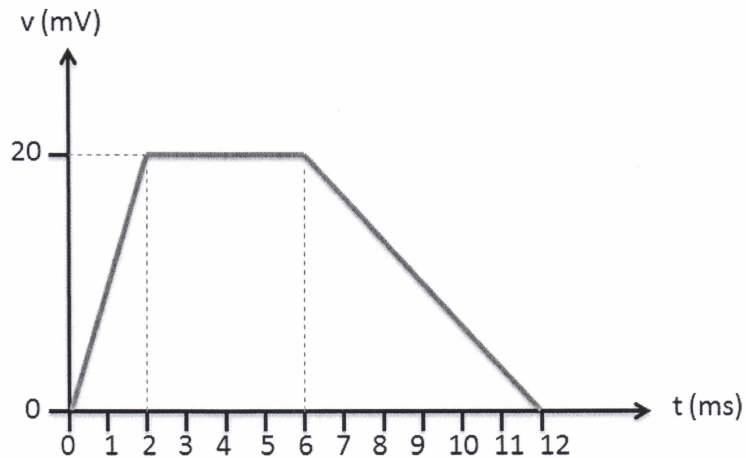
Q4 (a) A 1 mH inductor connected in a telephone circuit is found to have a voltage across it as shown in **Figure Q4(a)**. The initial inductor current is given by  $i(0) = 10$  mA.

(i) Find the current expression for  $t > 0$  ms.

(8 marks)

(ii) Determine the initial energy in the inductor at  $t = 0$  ms.

(2 marks)



**Figure Q4(a)**

(b) Three capacitors,  $C_1 = 10\mu\text{F}$ ,  $C_2 = 10\mu\text{F}$  and  $C_3 = 20\mu\text{F}$ , are connected in parallel across a 100V DC source. Determine:

(i) the total capacitance.

(3 marks)

(ii) the charge on each capacitor.

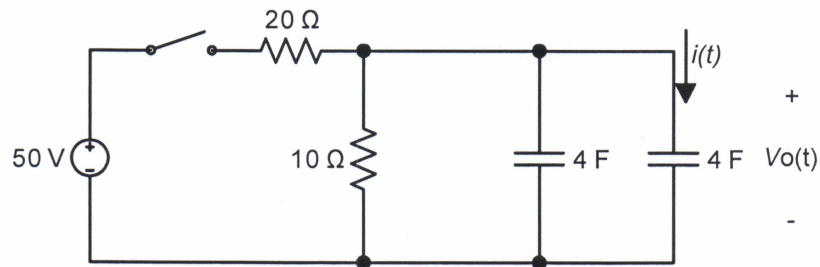
(3 marks)

(iii) the total energy stored in the parallel combination of the capacitors.

(4 marks)

**Q5 (a)** Figure Q5(a) shows the RC circuit:

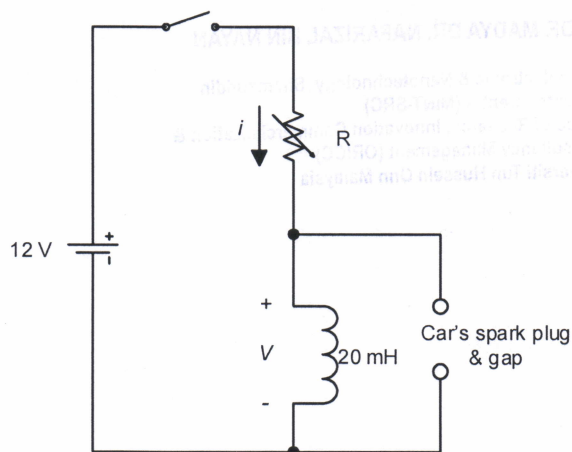
- (i) If the switch has been open for a long time and is closed at  $t=0$ , find  $v_o(t)$  and  $i(t)$ . (7 marks)
- (ii) If the switch has been closed for a long time and is opened at  $t=0$ , find  $v_o(t)$  and  $i(t)$ . (6 marks)



**Figure Q5(a)**

**(b)** Figure Q5(b) shows the spark coil of an ignition system:

- (i) Calculate the value of resistor, R, if the time needed for the coil to fully charge is 10ms when ignition switch is closed. (2 marks)
- (ii) Evaluate the steady state current when ignition switch is closed and draw the current response. (2 marks)
- (iii) If the switch takes  $1\mu s$  to open, calculate the voltage developed across the spark gap and the energy stored in the coil. (3 marks)



**Figure Q5(b)**

**-END OF QUESTIONS-**