

Read: Ch. 13, Sect. 1-5, 7 in *Electric Circuits, 9th Edition* by Nilsson

Procedure: Circuit Analysis using the Laplace-transformed Circuit

- 1) Draw the circuit at $t = 0^-$.
 - Assume that the circuit is in steady state.
 - Draw inductors as short circuits and capacitors as open circuits.
 - Find $v_C(0^-)$ and $i_L(0^-)$.
 - These values are needed for the s-domain circuit (step 2).
- 2) Draw the s-domain circuit for $t > 0$.
- 3) Analyze the circuit as you might analyze a DC circuit (using any circuit analysis method). Recall that the s-domain impedances sL and $1/(sC)$ act essentially like resistors. Determine the desired result in the s-domain ($V(s)$, $I(s)$, etc).
- 4) Convert the result back to the time domain. In other words, use inverse Laplace transforms to find $v(t)$ or $i(t)$ from $V(s)$ or $I(s)$.

Review: Methods of Circuit Analysis

Since the Laplace-transformed circuit (or s-domain circuit) can be analyzed like a DC resistive circuit, any of the circuit analysis methods covered in EGR 260 can be used, including:

- KVL and KCL
- Combining impedances in series and parallel
- Voltage and current division
- Source transformations
- Superposition
- Node and mesh equations
- Thevenin's and Norton's theorems

Voltage Division

- Applies to series circuits only.
- Voltage divides proportionally between series impedances with the largest impedance getting the most voltage.
- The general form for voltage division is:

$$V_i(s) = V_{\text{Source}}(s) \frac{Z_i(s)}{Z_{\text{eq}}(s)} \quad \text{where } Z_{\text{eq}}(s) = Z_1(s) + Z_2(s) + \dots + Z_N(s)$$

