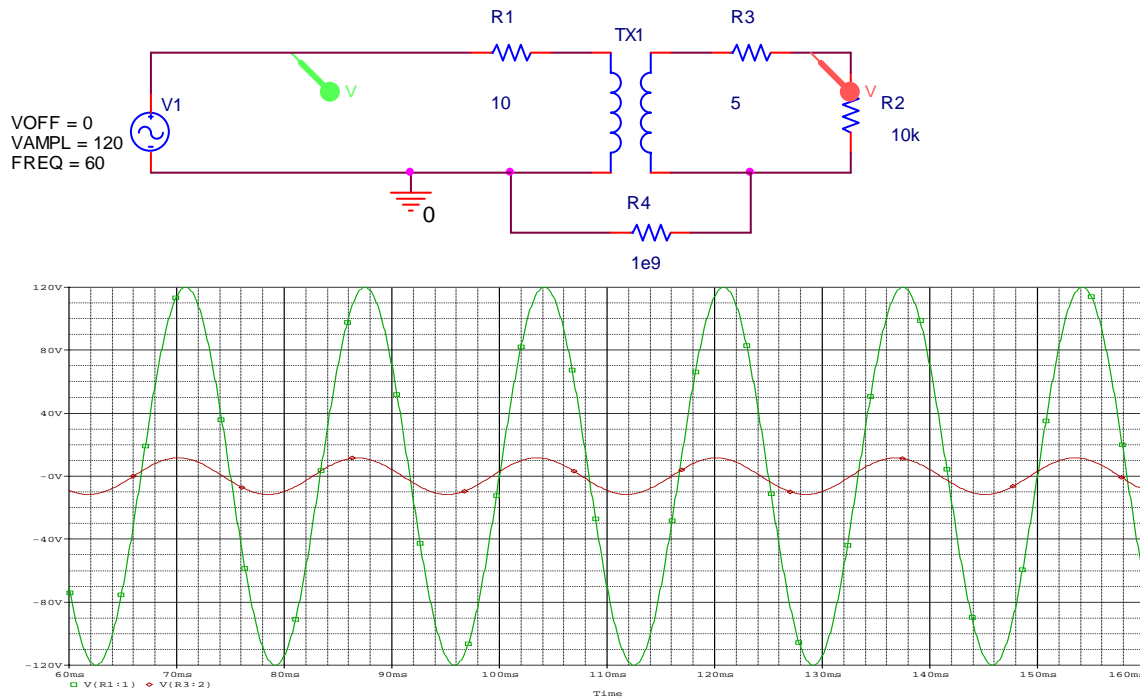


## Questions about Transformers

These should help prepare you for question 4 of quiz 1.

### Spring 2004

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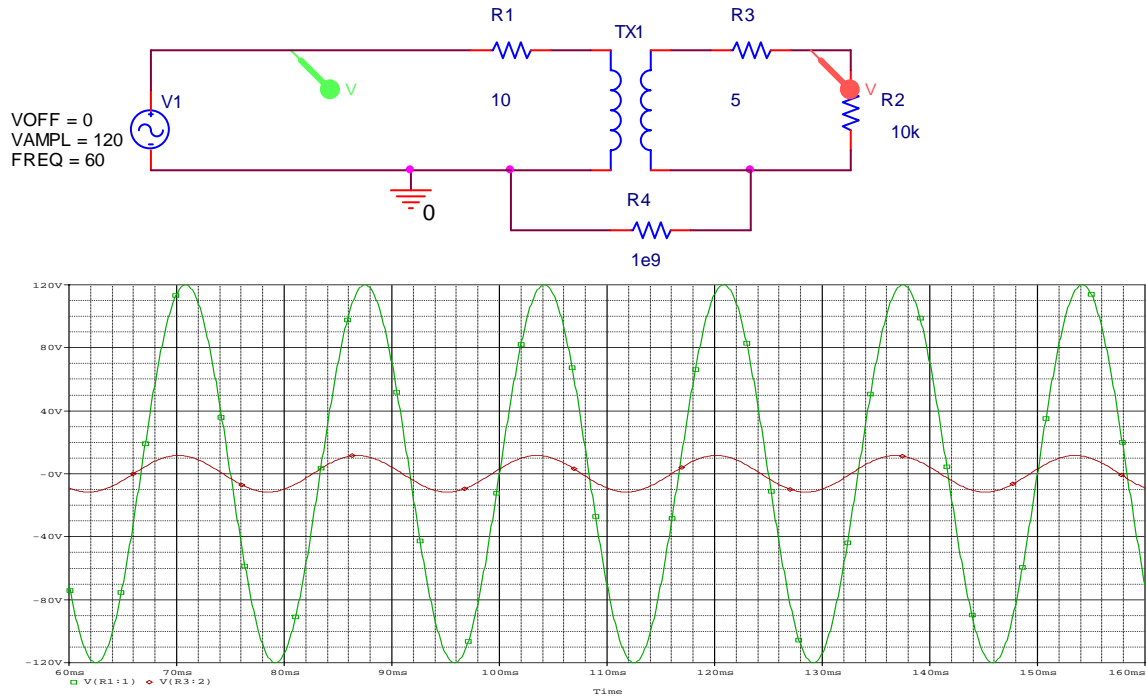


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The inductor we tested has an inductance of about  $0.1mH$ . From the general transformer equations, we know that  $a = \frac{V_2}{V_1} = \sqrt{\frac{L_2}{L_1}}$ . My voltage ratio,  $a$ , is  $12/120$  or  $0.1$ . Therefore my inductance must be :

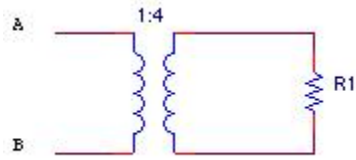
$$L_2 = L_1(a)^2 = (0.1m)(0.1)^2. \text{ Therefore } L_2 = 0.001mH$$

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The voltage through the load loop can be taken from the plot. It is  $v(t) = 12V \sin(2\pi * 60 t)$ . Since  $v(t) = i(t)R$  and the load resistance is  $10K$  ohms, we can simply divide  $v(t)$  by  $10K$  to get an equation for the current.  $i(t) = 1.2mA \sin(120\pi t) = 1.2mA \sin(377 t)$

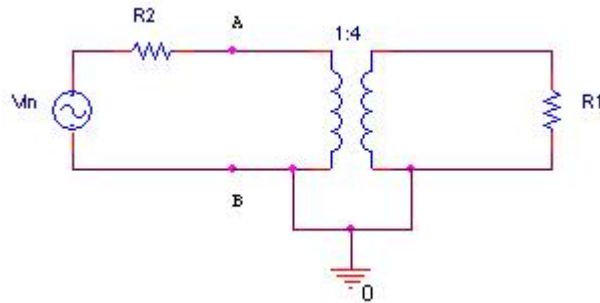
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4. Transformer (20 pts)



- a) In the circuit above, the transformer is ideal. If  $R1=1K\Omega$ , find the equivalent impedance,  $Z_{AB}$ , seen from points A and B. (6 pts)

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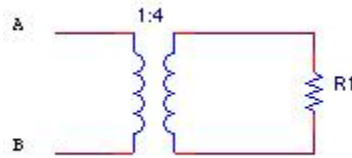


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- c) What is the value of the voltage across  $R1$ ? (6 pts)

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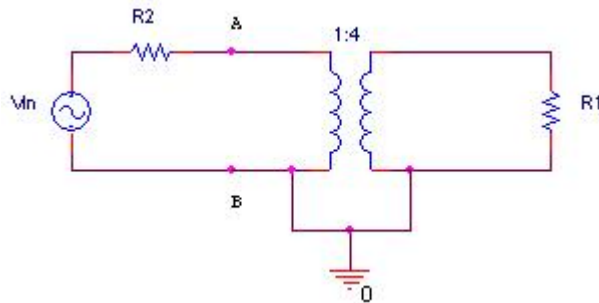
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$$Z_{AB} = R1/a^2 \quad a=N2/N1=4 \quad Z_{AB} = 1K/16 \quad Z_{AB}=62.5ohms$$

- e) We have connected the above circuit to an AC source with a resistor of  $R2 = 1K\Omega$ .



If the input voltage has an amplitude of 10V, find the voltage at point A. (8 pts)

$$V_A = [(62.5)/(1062.5)]10V = .588V \quad V_A = 588mV$$

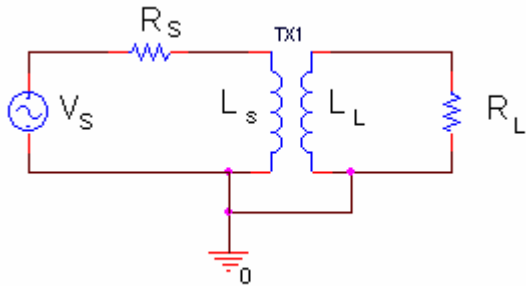
- f) What is the value of the voltage across  $R1$ ? (6 pts)

$$V2/V1 = a \quad V_A = V1 \quad V2=.588(4) = 2.35V \quad V_{R1}=2.35V$$

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**5. Transformer (20 points)**

In the circuit, the  $V_s$  is 100 mV,  $R_s$  has negligible amount of resistance, the  $R_L$  is 500 ohms.



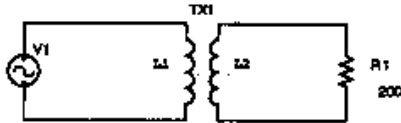
- a) Assuming a perfect matching and coil  $L_s$  has 50 turns, how many turns  $L_L$  has to have in order to obtain voltage of 1 volt across the load  $R_L$ ? (6 points)
  
- b) What is the impedance  $Z_{in}$  of  $L_s$ ? (6 points)
  
- c) What is the current in the loop containing the load? (4 points)
  
  
- d) Assuming a non-ideal transformer, list two transfer design methods (only) that would increase the voltage output at the load. (4 points)

*Fall 2002 Solution*  
*(none available)*

Fall 2001 solution

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 Please show all work on all questions for full credit, some explanation of your answer is required.

5) Transformer



a) If the L1 coil has 100 turns, and L2 coil has 400 turns what is the voltage across R1? (4 pt)

$$\frac{V_2}{V_1} = \frac{N_2}{N_1} = \frac{400}{100} \Rightarrow \boxed{V_2 = V_{R_1} = 4V_1}$$

b) In terms of V1, what is the current in the loop containing L2, and R1? (4pt)

$$I_2 = \frac{V_2}{R_1} = \frac{4V_1}{200} \Rightarrow \boxed{I_2 = 20 \text{ mA}}$$

c) What is the Impedance Zin of L1? (4 pt)

$$Z_{in} = \frac{R_1}{a^2} = \frac{200 \Omega}{4^2} \Rightarrow \boxed{Z_{in} = 12.5 \Omega}$$

d) In the inductors that make up this transformer, which would increase the inductance most? (4 pt)

- a.) air core      b) wood core      c) iron core ~~aluminum core~~  
 Magnetic Material

e) Which would be the best voltage source to use in this circuit (4pt)

- a) 100mv DC      b) 5V DC      c) 100mvsin(500t)      d) 5Vsin(500kt)

Both c and d will be considered correct