At t = 0 we flip the switch on a circuit with a real load of 150 Ω attached to a 50- Ω transmission line 300 m long. If our generator is a DC source of 10 V with a resistance of 30 Ω , and the wave velocity is 3×10^8 m/s, (a) use a bounce diagram to sketch the voltage at the load as a function of time for $0 \le t \le 10 \ \mu$ s. (b) Find the steady-state voltage.

(a) First make a sketch of the transmission line and identify the quantities.



Find the period T, the reflections coefficients Γ_L and Γ_G , and V_1^+ :

$$T = \frac{l}{u} = \frac{300}{3 \times 10^8} = 10^{-6} \text{ s} = 1 \,\mu\text{s}$$

$$\Gamma_L = \frac{Z_L - Z_0}{Z_L + Z_0} = \frac{150 - 50}{150 + 50} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Gamma_G = \frac{Z_g - Z_0}{Z_g + Z_0} = \frac{30 - 50}{30 + 50} = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$$V_1^+ = \frac{Z_0}{Z_g + Z_0} V_g = \left(\frac{50}{30 + 50}\right) 10 = 6.25 \text{ V}$$



$$0 \le t < T : V_L = 0$$

$$T \le t < 3T : V_L = V_1^+ + V_1^-$$

$$= 6.25 + 3.125 = 9.375 V$$

$$3T \le t < 5T : V_L = 9.375 + V_2^+ + V_2^-$$

$$= 9.375 - 0.7813 - 0.3906 = 8.2031 V$$

$$5T \le t < 7T : V_L = 8.2031 + V_3^+ + V_3^-$$

$$= 8.2031 + 0.0977 + 0.0488 = 8.3496 V$$

$$7T \le t < 9T : V_L = 8.3496 + V_4^+ + V_4^-$$

$$= 8.3496 - 0.0122 - 0.0061 = 8.3313 V$$

$$9T \le t < 11T : V_L = 8.3313 + V_5^+ + V_5^-$$

$$= 8.3313 + 0.0015 + 0.0008 = 8.3336 V$$



(b) At steady state:

$$V_L = V_\infty = \frac{Z_L}{Z_g + Z_L} V_g = \left(\frac{150}{30 + 150}\right) 10 = 8.3333 \text{ V}$$