RL Circuit: Energy Transfer During Current Shutdown



Loop rule:
$$IR + L\frac{dI}{dt} = 0$$
 $(I > 0, \frac{dI}{dt} < 0)$

- $IV_L = LI \frac{dI}{dt}$: rate at which inductor releases energy
- $IV_R = I^2 R$: rate at which energy is dissipated in resistor

Balance of energy transfer: $I^2 R + LI \frac{dI}{dt} = 0$

