



Chapter 8

Natural and Step Response of RLC Circuits

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Reading Assignment: Chapter 8 in [Electric Circuits, 10th Ed.](#) by Nilsson

- 2nd-order circuits have 2 independent energy storage elements (inductors and/or capacitors)
- Analysis of a 2nd-order circuit yields a 2nd-order differential equation (DE)
- A 2nd-order differential equation has the form:

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + a_1 \frac{dx}{dt} + a_0 x(t) = f(t)$$

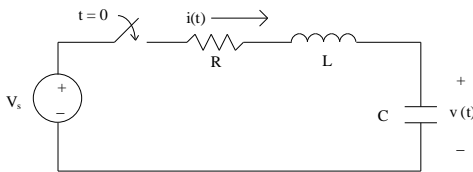
- Solution of a 2nd-order differential equation requires two initial conditions: $x(0)$ and $x'(0)$
- All higher order circuits (3rd, 4th, etc) have the same types of responses as seen in 1st-order and 2nd-order circuits

Series RLC and Parallel RLC Circuits

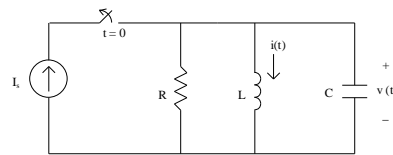
Since 2nd-order circuits have two energy-storage types, it is characterized by a second order differential equation, the circuits can have the following forms:

- 1) Two capacitors
- 2) Two inductors
- 3) One capacitor and one inductor
 - A) Series RLC circuit *
 - B) Parallel RLC circuit *
 - C) Others

* The textbook focuses on these two types of 2nd-order circuits



Series RLC circuit



Parallel RLC circuit

Form of the solution to differential equations

As seen with 1st-order circuits in Chapter 7, the general solution to a differential equation has two parts:

$x(t) = x_h + x_p = \text{homogeneous solution} + \text{particular solution}$
 or $x(t) = x_n + x_f = \text{natural solution} + \text{forced solution}$

where x_h or x_n is due to the initial conditions in the circuit and x_p or x_f is due to the forcing functions (independent voltage and current sources for $t > 0$).

The forced response

The forced response is due to the independent sources in the circuit for $t > 0$. Since the natural response will die out once the circuit reaches steady-state, the forced response can be found by analyzing the circuit at $t = \infty$. In particular,

$x_f = x(\infty)$

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The natural response

A 2nd-order differential equation has the form:

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + a_1 \frac{dx}{dt} + a_0 x(t) = f(t)$$

where $x(t)$ is a voltage $v(t)$ or a current $i(t)$.

To find the natural response, set the forcing function $f(t)$ (the right-hand side of the DE) to zero. $\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + a_1 \frac{dx}{dt} + a_0 x(t) = 0$

Substituting the general form of the solution Ae^{st} yields the **characteristic equation**:

$$s^2 + a_1 s + a_0 = 0$$

Finding the roots of this quadratic (called the **characteristic roots** or **natural frequencies**) yields:

$$s_1, s_2 = \frac{-a_1 \pm \sqrt{(a_1)^2 - 4a_0}}{2}$$

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Natural Response of parallel RLC circuits:

For $t > 0$: Given

$V_c(0^-) = 0$ Volt

$i_L(0^-) = 10$ A

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$$i_R(t) + i_L(t) + i_C(t) = 0$$

$$\frac{V(t)}{R} + \frac{1}{L} \int_0^t v(t) dt - i_L(0^-) + C \frac{dv(t)}{dt} = 0$$

$$\frac{V(t)}{R} + \frac{1}{L} \int_0^t v(t) dt + C \frac{dv(t)}{dt} = i_L(0^-) \text{ ----- (1)}$$

Figure3: Natural Response of parallel RLC circuits:

Differentiate (1):

$$C \frac{d^2v(t)}{dt^2} + \frac{1}{R} \frac{dv(t)}{dt} + \frac{1}{L} v(t) = 0$$

Second order homogeneous differential equation

<p>Chapter 8 ENEE2301 – Network Analysis I</p> $C \frac{d^2 v(t)}{dt^2} + \frac{1}{R} \frac{dv(t)}{dt} + \frac{1}{L} v(t) = 0$ <p>❖ Solution of the following form $V(t) = A e^{st}$ for $t > 0$</p> $CA s^2 e^{st} + \frac{1}{R} s A e^{st} + \frac{1}{L} A e^{st} = 0$ $A e^{st} \left(Cs^2 + \frac{1}{R} s + \frac{1}{L} \right) = 0$ <p>❖ $Cs^2 + \frac{1}{R} s + \frac{1}{L} = 0$</p> <p>Characteristic equation roots:</p> $S_{1,2} = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$	<p style="text-align: right;">7</p> $S_1 = -\frac{1}{2RC} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{2RC}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{LC}}$ $S_2 = -\frac{1}{2RC} - \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{2RC}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{LC}}$ <p>Resonant frequency</p> $\omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$ <p>Damping coefficient</p> $\alpha = \frac{1}{2RC}$
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<p>Chapter 8 ENEE2301 – Network Analysis I</p> <p>❖ $S_1 = -\alpha + \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_0^2}$</p> <p>❖ $S_2 = -\alpha - \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_0^2}$</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">8</p>
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Characteristic Roots

The roots of the characteristic equation may be real and distinct, repeated, or complex. Thus, the natural response to a 2nd-order circuit has 3 possible forms

1) Overdamped response

For [$(\alpha)^2 > (\omega_0)^2$]

$$S_1 = -\alpha + \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_0^2} < 0$$

$$S_2 = -\alpha - \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_0^2} < 0$$

Roots are real and distinct (unequal)

Solution has the form:

$$X_n = A_1 e^{s_1 t} + A_2 e^{s_2 t}$$

2) Critically damped response

For [$(\alpha)^2 = (\omega_0)^2$]

$$S_1 = S_2 = -\alpha$$

$$\diamond S_1 = -\alpha + \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_0^2}$$

$$\diamond S_2 = -\alpha - \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_0^2}$$

Roots are real and equal Solution has the form:

$$X_n = (A_1 t + A_2) e^{st}$$

$$X_n = A_1 t e^{-\alpha t} + A_2 e^{-\alpha t}$$

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3) Underdamped response ❖ $S_1 = -\alpha + \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_o^2}$
 For [$(\alpha)^2 < (\omega_o)^2$] ❖ $S_2 = -\alpha - \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_o^2}$
 $\alpha^2 - \omega_o^2 < 0$
 $\sqrt{(\alpha^2 - \omega_o^2)} = \sqrt{(-1)(\omega_o^2 - \alpha^2)}$
 $= j\omega_d$
 $\omega_d = \text{damped radian frequency}$ ❖ $\omega_d = \sqrt{\omega_o^2 - \alpha^2}$
 $S_{1,2} = -\alpha \pm j\omega_d$

Roots are complex conjugate
 The solution has the form: $X_n = A_1 e^{(-\alpha + j\omega_d)t} + A_2 e^{(-\alpha - j\omega_d)t}$
 $e^{j\omega_d t} = \cos \omega_d t + j \sin \omega_d t$
 $e^{-j\omega_d t} = \cos \omega_d t - j \sin \omega_d t$

$X_n(t) = V(t) = e^{-\alpha t} [(A_1 + A_2) \cos \omega_d t + j(A_1 - A_2) \sin \omega_d t]$
 $X_n(t) = V(t) = e^{-\alpha t} [\beta_1 \cos \omega_d t + \beta_2 \sin \omega_d t]$

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1) Overdamped response **2) Critically damped response**
 For [$(\alpha)^2 > (\omega_o)^2$] For [$(\alpha)^2 = (\omega_o)^2$]
 Roots are real and distinct (unequal) Roots are real and equal
 $S_{1,2} = -\alpha \pm \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_o^2}$ $S_1 = S_2 = -\alpha$
 $X_n = A_1 e^{s_1 t} + A_2 e^{s_2 t}$ $X_n = A_1 t e^{-\alpha t} + A_2 e^{-\alpha t}$

3) Underdamped response
 For [$(\alpha)^2 < (\omega_o)^2$]
 Roots are complex conjugate $S_{1,2} = -\alpha \pm j\omega_d$
 $X_n = A_1 e^{(-\alpha + j\omega_d)t} + A_2 e^{(-\alpha - j\omega_d)t}$
 $X_n(t) = V(t) = e^{-\alpha t} [(A_1 + A_2) \cos \omega_d t + j(A_1 - A_2) \sin \omega_d t]$
 $X_n(t) = V(t) = e^{-\alpha t} [\beta_1 \cos \omega_d t + \beta_2 \sin \omega_d t]$

1) Over damped parallel RLC Example:

Find $V(t)$ for $t > 0$

Given

$V_c(0^-) = 0 \text{ Volt}$; $i_L(0^-) = 10 \text{ A}$

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{2RC_1} = 3.5$$

$$\omega_o = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}} = 2.45$$

$\alpha > \omega_o$ over-damped case

$$s_1 = -\alpha + \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_o^2} = -1$$

$$s_2 = -\alpha - \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_o^2} = -6$$

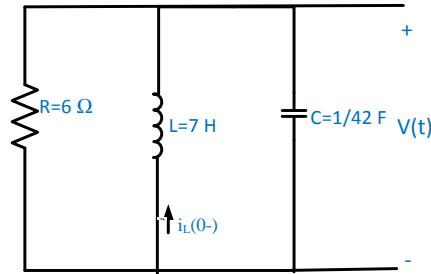


Figure4:Over damped parallel RLC

❖ $V(t) = A_1 e^{s_1 t} + A_2 e^{s_2 t}$; $t > 0$

To find A_1 & A_2 , we need to find $V(0^+)$ and $\frac{dv(0^+)}{dt}$

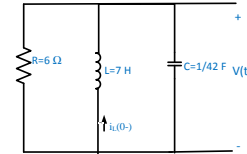


Figure4:Over damped parallel RLC

For $t > 0$

$$\frac{V(t)}{R} + \frac{1}{L} \int_{0^-}^t v(t) dt + C \frac{dv(t)}{dt} = i_L(0^-)$$

At $(t=0^+)$

$$\frac{V(0^+)}{R} + \frac{1}{L} \int_{0^-}^{0^+} v(t) dt + C \frac{dv(0^+)}{dt} = i_L(0^-)$$

$$V(0^+) = V_c(0^+) = V_c(0^-) = 0$$

$$\int_{0^-}^{0^+} v(t) dt = 0$$

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$$\diamond i_L(0^-) = C \frac{dv(0^+)}{dt}$$

$$\frac{dv(0^+)}{dt} = \frac{i_L(0^-)}{C} = 420$$

Also $V(0^+) = 0 = V_c(0^-)$

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$$V(t) = A_1 e^{-t} + A_2 e^{-6t} \quad ; \quad t > 0$$

$$V(0^+) = A_1 + A_2 = V_c(0^-) = 0$$

$$\diamond A_1 + A_2 = 0 \quad \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

$$V(t) = A_1 e^{-t} + A_2 e^{-6t}$$

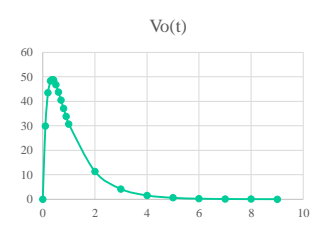
$$\frac{dV(t)}{dt} = -A_1 e^{-t} - 6A_2 e^{-6t}$$

$$\frac{dv(0^+)}{dt} = -A_1 - 6A_2 = 420 \quad \dots\dots\dots(3)$$

Solving (2) and (3), we get

$$A_1 = 84 \quad \text{and} \quad A_2 = -84$$

$$\mathbf{V(t) = 84(e^{-t} - e^{-6t}) \text{ volt ,for } t > 0}$$



2. Critical Damping case: (example)

Given

$V_c(0^-) = 0 \text{ Volt} ; i_L(0^-) = 10 \text{ A}$

Find $V(t)$ for $t > 0$

$\alpha = \frac{1}{2RC} = \sqrt{6}$

$\omega_o = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}} = \sqrt{6}$

$\alpha = \omega_o$

$S_1 = -\alpha + \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_o^2} = -\alpha$

$S_2 = -\alpha - \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_o^2} = -\alpha$

$S_1 = S_2 = -\sqrt{6} \longrightarrow V(t) = A_1 t e^{-\sqrt{6}t} + A_2 e^{-\sqrt{6}t} ; t > 0$

$V_c(0^+) = 0$

$\frac{dv(0^+)}{dt} = 420$

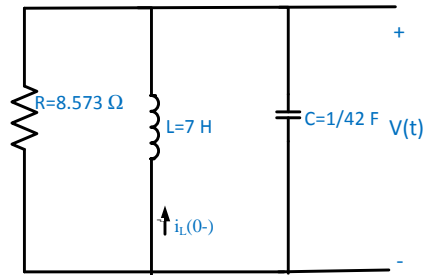


Figure 6: critical damped parallel RLC

$V(t) = A_1 t e^{-\sqrt{6}t} + A_2 e^{-\sqrt{6}t} ; t > 0$

$V(0^+) = A_2 = 0$

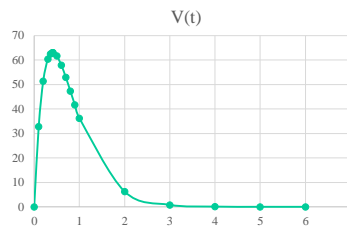
$V(t) = A_1 t e^{-\sqrt{6}t}$

$\frac{dV(t)}{dt} = (A_1 t)(-\sqrt{6})e^{-\sqrt{6}t} + A_1 e^{-\sqrt{6}t}$

$\frac{dv(0^+)}{dt} = 0 + A_1 = 420$

$A_1 = 420$

$V(t) = 420 t e^{-\sqrt{6}t} \text{ volt} ; t > 0$



3) Underdamped parallel RLC :

Given

$$V_c(0^-) = 0 \text{ Volt}; i_L(0^-) = 10 \text{ A}$$

Find $V(t)$ for $t > 0$

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{2RC} = 2$$

$$\omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}} = \sqrt{6}$$

$$\alpha < \omega_0$$

$$\omega_d = \sqrt{(\omega_0^2 - \alpha^2)} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$V(t) = e^{-\alpha t} [\beta_1 \cos \omega_d t + \beta_2 \sin \omega_d t] \quad \text{volt For } t > 0$$

$$V(t) = e^{-2t} [\beta_1 \cos \sqrt{2}t + \beta_2 \sin \sqrt{2}t] \quad \text{volt For } t > 0$$

$$V_c(0^+) = 0 \quad \frac{dv(0^+)}{dt} = 420$$

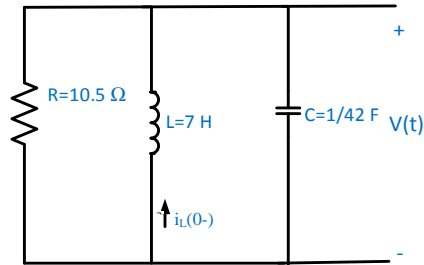


Figure 8: underdamped parallel RLC

$$V(t) = e^{-2t} [\beta_1 \cos \sqrt{2}t + \beta_2 \sin \sqrt{2}t] \quad \text{volt}$$

$$V_c(0^+) = \beta_1 \rightarrow \beta_1 = 0$$

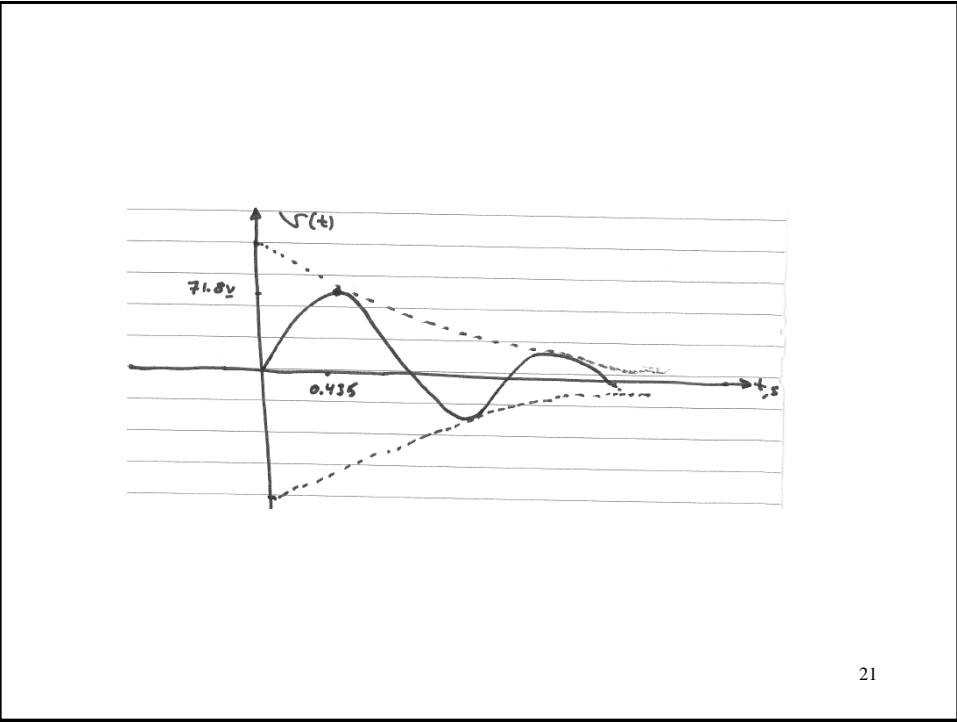
$$V(t) = e^{-2t} [\beta_2 \sin \sqrt{2}t] \quad \text{volt For } t > 0$$

$$\frac{dV(t)}{dt} = (\beta_2 e^{-2t})(\sqrt{2} \cos \sqrt{2}t) + (\sin \sqrt{2}t)(-2\beta_2 e^{-2t})$$

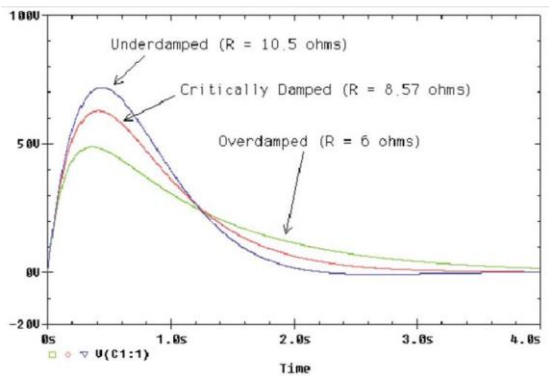
$$\frac{dv(0^+)}{dt} = \sqrt{2}\beta_2 + 0 = 420 \rightarrow \beta_2 = \frac{420}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$V(t) = e^{-2t} [\beta_2 \sin \sqrt{2}t] \quad \text{volt For } t > 0$$

$$V(t) = \frac{420}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-2t} [\sin \sqrt{2}t] \quad \text{volt For } t > 0$$



Comparing the responses



The lossless LC circuit

$$L=7\text{H} \quad , \quad C=\frac{1}{42}\text{F} \quad , \quad R=\infty$$

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{2RC} = 0$$

$$\omega_o = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}} = \sqrt{6}$$

$$\alpha < \omega_o$$

$$\omega_d = \sqrt{(\omega_o^2 - \alpha^2)} = \sqrt{6}$$

$$\mathbf{V(t)} = [\beta_1 \cos \sqrt{6}t + \beta_2 \sin \sqrt{6}t] \text{ volt} \quad \text{For } t>0$$

$$V(0^+) = 0 \quad , \quad \frac{dv(0^+)}{dt} = 420$$

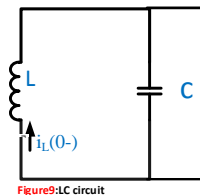


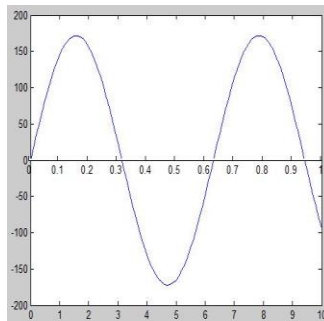
Figure 9: LC circuit

$$V(0^+) = \beta_1 = 0$$

$$\frac{dv(0^+)}{dt} = \sqrt{6} \beta_2 = 420$$

$$\beta_2 = \frac{420}{\sqrt{6}}$$

$$\mathbf{V(t)} = \frac{420}{\sqrt{6}} [\sin \sqrt{6}t] \text{ volt} \quad \text{For } t>0$$



Step response of parallel RLC:

Given
 $V_c(0^-) = 0 \text{ Volt}$;
 $i_L(0^-) = 0 \text{ A}$

Find $v(t)$ for $t > 0$

Find $i_L(t)$ for $t > 0$

For $t > 0$

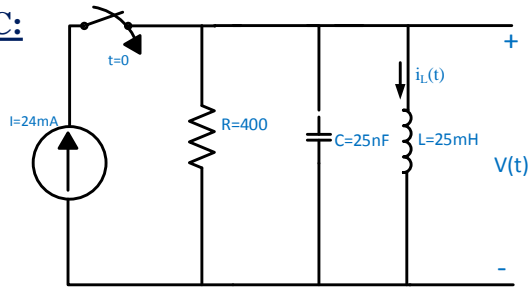


Figure 16: step response of parallel RLC circuit

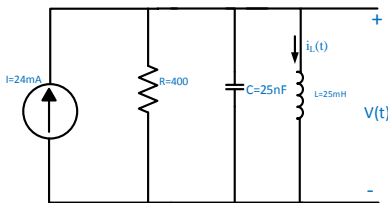


Figure 17: step response of parallel RLC circuit switch is closed

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$$I = i_R(t) + i_L(t) + i_C(t)$$

$$I = \frac{V(t)}{R} + i_L(t) + C \frac{dv(t)}{dt}$$

$$v_C(t) = v_L(t) = L \frac{di_L(t)}{dt}$$

$$I = LC \frac{d^2 i_L(t)}{dt^2} + \frac{L}{R} \frac{di_L(t)}{dt} + i_L(t)$$

$$\frac{d^2 i_L(t)}{dt^2} + \frac{1}{RC} \frac{di_L(t)}{dt} + \frac{1}{LC} i_L(t) = \frac{I}{LC}$$

Second order nonhomogeneous differential equation.

$$i_L(t) = i_n(t) + i_f(t)$$

$i_n(t)$: Natural response. <== was found earlier

$i_f(t)$: forced response.

To find $i_f(t)$:
$$\frac{d^2 i_L(t)}{dt^2} + \frac{1}{RC} \frac{di_L(t)}{dt} + \frac{1}{LC} i_L(t) = \frac{I}{LC}$$

Let $i_f(t) = k$; k is constant.

$$0 + 0 + \frac{1}{LC} i_f(t) = \frac{I}{LC}$$

$$i_f(t) = I = k$$

To find $i_n(t)$:
$$\frac{d^2 i_L(t)}{dt^2} + \frac{1}{RC} \frac{di_L(t)}{dt} + \frac{1}{LC} i_L(t) = 0$$

$$S^2 + \frac{1}{RC} S + \frac{1}{LC} = 0$$

$$S_{1,2} = -\frac{1}{2RC} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{2RC}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{LC}} \quad S_1 = -20000$$

$$S_2 = -80000$$

Since S_1 & S_2 are real and unequal



We have over damped case.

$$i_{Ln}(t) = A_1 e^{-20000t} + A_2 e^{-80000t}$$

$$i_L(t) = i_{Ln}(t) + i_{Lf}(t)$$

$$i_L(t) = 24mA + A_1 e^{-20000t} + A_2 e^{-80000t} \quad t > 0$$

To find A_1 & A_2 , we need:

$$i_L(0^+) = 0 \quad \text{And} \quad \frac{di_L(0^+)}{dt}$$

$$i_L(0^+) = i_L(0^-) = 0$$

$$v_C(t) = v_L(t) = L \frac{di_L(t)}{dt}$$

$$v_C(0^+) = L \frac{di_L(0^+)}{dt} = v_C(0^-) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{di_L(0^+)}{dt} = 0$$

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$$i_L(t) = 24mA + A_1 e^{-20000t} + A_2 e^{-80000t} \quad t > 0$$

$$i_L(0^+) = 24mA + A_1 + A_2$$

$$A_1 + A_2 = -24mA \quad \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

$$\frac{di_L(0^+)}{dt} = -20000A_1 - 80000A_2 = 0 \quad \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

Solving and we get :

$$A_1 = -32mA \quad A_2 = 8mA$$

$$i_L(t) = (24 - 32e^{-20000t} + 8e^{-80000t})mA \quad t > 0$$

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Natural response of series RLC circuits:

For $t > 0$
 $V_c(0^-) = V_o$, And $i_L(0^-) = I_o$
 Find $i(t)$ for $t > 0$

Figure19 : RLC series circuit.

$$L \frac{di(t)}{dt} + Ri(t) - V_c(0^-) + \frac{1}{C} \int_{0^-}^t i(t) dt = 0$$

$$L \frac{di(t)}{dt} + Ri(t) + \frac{1}{C} \int_{0^-}^t i(t) dt = V_c(0^-) \quad \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

Differentiation of (1)

$$L \frac{d^2i(t)}{dt^2} + R \frac{di(t)}{dt} + \frac{1}{C} i(t) = 0$$

Second order homogenous differential equation.

$$LS^2 + RS + \frac{1}{C} = 0$$

$$S_1 = -\frac{R}{2L} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{R}{2L}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{LC}}$$

$$S_2 = -\frac{R}{2L} - \sqrt{\left(\frac{R}{2L}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{LC}}$$

Let $\omega_o = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$

ω_o = response frequency.

And

$$\alpha = \frac{R}{2L}$$

α = damping coefficient.

$$S_{1,2} = -\alpha \pm \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_o^2}$$

Let $V_c(0^-) = V_o = 2 \text{ volt}$

$i_L(0^-) = I_o = 2 \text{ mA}$

$$\omega_o = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}} = 20025$$

$$\alpha = \frac{R}{2L} = 1000$$

$\alpha < \omega_o \rightarrow$ We have under damped case:

$$\omega_d = \sqrt{(\omega_o^2 - \alpha^2)} = 20000$$

$$i(t) = e^{-\alpha t} [\beta_1 \cos \omega_d t + \beta_2 \sin \omega_d t] \quad \text{For } t > 0$$

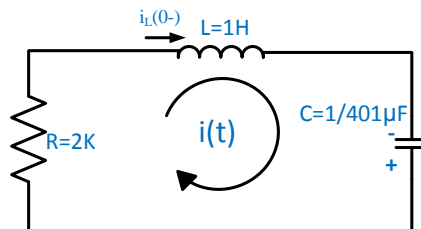


Figure 19 : RLC series circuit.

$$i(t) = e^{-1000t} [\beta_1 \cos 20000t + \beta_2 \sin 20000t]$$

To find β_1 and β_2 , we need to have :

$$i(0^+) \quad \text{And} \quad \frac{di(0^+)}{dt}$$

$$i(0^+) = i_L(0^+) = i_L(0^-) = 2mA$$

$$\text{At } t = 0^+ \quad L \frac{d_i(0^+)}{dt} + R_i(0^+) - V_c(0^-) + 0 = 0$$

$$\frac{di(0^+)}{dt} = \frac{V_c(0^-) - R_i(0^+)}{L} = -2$$

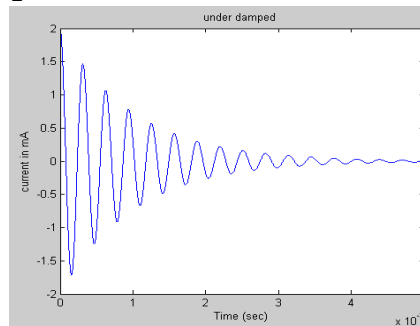
$$i(t) = e^{-1000t} [\beta_1 \cos 20000t + \beta_2 \sin 20000t] \quad \text{For } t > 0$$

$$i(0^+) = \beta_1 = 2mA$$

$$\frac{di(0^+)}{dt} = 20000\beta_2 - 2 * 10^{-3}(1000)$$

$$\frac{di(0^+)}{dt} = 20000\beta_2 - 2 = -2 \rightarrow \beta_2 = 0$$

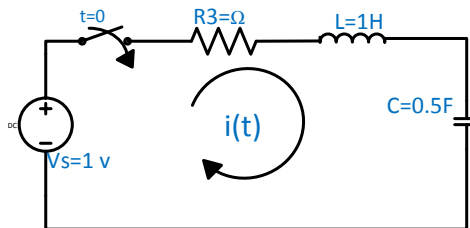
$$i(t) = 2 * e^{-1000t} [\cos 20000t]mA$$



Step response of series RLC circuit:

$$V_c(0^-) = 0 \quad , \quad i_L(0^-) = 0$$

Find $i(t)$ for $t > 0$



KVL:

$$V_s = R_i(t) + L \frac{d_i(t)}{dt} + V_c(0^-) + \frac{1}{C} \int_{0^-}^t i(t) dt$$

$$L \frac{d^2 i(t)}{dt^2} + R \frac{d_i(t)}{dt} + \frac{1}{C} i(t) = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad i(t) = i_n(t)$$

$$LS^2 + RS + \frac{1}{C} = 0$$

$$\rightarrow S^2 + 3S + 2 = 0$$

$$S_1 = -1 \quad , \quad S_2 = -2$$

S_1 and S_2 are real and unequal
Over-damped case

$$i(t) = A_1 e^{-t} + A_2 e^{-2t} \quad ; \quad t > 0$$

OR $\omega_o = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}} = \sqrt{2}$

$$\alpha = \frac{R}{2L} = 1.5$$

$\alpha > \omega_o \rightarrow$ overdamped case

To find A_1 & A_2

$$i(0^+) = i(0^-) = 0$$

$$V_s = R_i(t) + L \frac{d_i(t)}{dt} + V_c(0^-) + \frac{1}{C} \int_{0^-}^t i(t) dt$$

At $t = 0^+$:

$$V_s = R_i(0^+) + L \frac{d_i(0^+)}{dt} + 0 + 0$$

$$\frac{di(0^+)}{dt} = \frac{V_c(0^-) - R_i(0^+)}{L} = \frac{V_s}{L} = \frac{1}{1} = 1$$

$$\rightarrow \mathbf{i(t) = A_1 e^{-t} + A_2 e^{-2t}}$$

$$i(0^+) = A_1 + A_2 = 0 \quad \text{----- (1)}$$

$$\frac{di(0^+)}{dt} = -A_1 - 2A_2 = 1 \quad \text{----- (2)}$$

Solving (1)&(2)

$$\mathbf{A_1 = 1 \quad A_2 = -1 \quad \rightarrow \mathbf{i(t) = e^{-t} - e^{-2t} \quad ; \quad t > 0}}$$

$$\mathbf{v_c(t) = (1 - 2e^{-t} + e^{-2t}) \text{ volt} \quad ; \quad t > 0}$$

Another Method To find $V_c(t)$ directly:

$$V_s = R_i(t) + L \frac{d_i(t)}{dt} + V_c(t)$$

$$i(t) = i_c(t) = C \frac{dV_c(t)}{dt}$$

$$V_s = RC \frac{dV_c(t)}{dt} + LC \frac{d^2V_c(t)}{dt^2} + V_c(t)$$

$$V_c(t) = V_{cn}(t) + V_{cf}(t)$$

$$V_{cf}(t) = k \quad , k \text{ is constant}$$

$$k = V_s$$

$$V_c(t) = V_s(t) + V_{cn}(t)$$

$$0 = LCS^2 + RCS + 1 \rightarrow 0 = \frac{1}{2}S^2 + \frac{3}{2}S + 1 \rightarrow \mathbf{S_1 = -1; S_2 = -2}$$

$$V_c(t) = V_{cf}(t) + V_{cn}(t)$$

$$V_c(t) = A_1 e^{-t} + A_2 e^{-2t} + 1$$

To find A_1, A_2

$$V_c(0^+) = V_c(0^-) = 0$$

$$i(t) = i_L(t) = i_c(t) = C \frac{dV_c(t)}{dt}$$

$$i_L(0^+) = i_c(0^+) = C \frac{dV_c(0^+)}{dt} = 0$$

$$\frac{dV_c(0^+)}{dt} = 0$$

$$V_c(0^+) = 0$$

$$V_c(t) = A_1 e^{-t} + A_2 e^{-2t} + 1$$

$$0 = A_1 + A_2 + 1$$

$$A_1 + A_2 = -1 \quad \text{----- (1)}$$

$$\frac{dV_c(t)}{dt} = -A_1 e^{-t} - 2A_2 e^{-2t}$$

$$\frac{dV_c(0^+)}{dt} = -A_1 - 2A_2 = 0 \quad \text{---- (2)}$$

Solving (1),(2)

$$A_1 = -2$$

$$A_2 = 1$$

$$V_c(t) = 1 - 2e^{-t} + e^{-2t} \text{ V}$$

- 1) find $i(t)$ for $t > 0$
- 2) find $V_c(t)$ for $t > 0$

a) for $t < 0, t = 0^-$

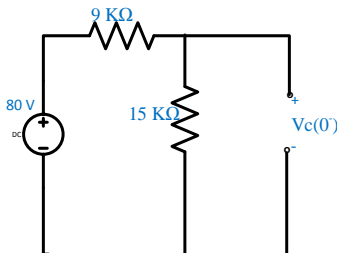


Figure 23: For $t < 0$

$$V_c(0^-) = \frac{15k}{15k + 9k} * 80 = 50 \text{ volt.}$$

$$i_L(0^-) = 0$$

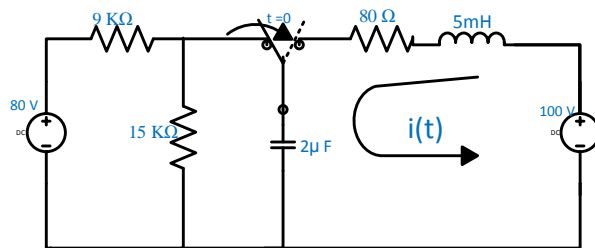


Figure 22: example

2) for $t > 0$

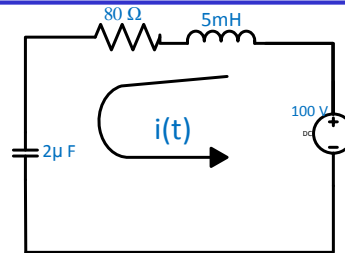


Figure 24: For $t > 0$

KVL:

$$100 = Ri(t) + L \frac{di(t)}{dt} + V_c(0^-) + \frac{1}{C} \int_{0^-}^t i(t) dt$$

$$50 = Ri(t) + L \frac{di(t)}{dt} + \frac{1}{C} \int_{0^-}^t i(t) dt$$

Differentiate:

$$L \frac{d^2i(t)}{dt^2} + R \frac{di(t)}{dt} + \frac{1}{C} i(t) = 0 \quad \text{Second order homogenous differential equation}$$

$$i(t) = i_n(t)$$

$$0 = LCS^2 + RCS + 1$$

$$0 = 10 * 10^{-9} S^2 + 10 * 160^{-6} S + 1$$

$$S_1 = -8000 + j6000$$

$$S_2 = -8000 - j6000$$

Under damped case

$$i(t) = e^{-8000t} [\beta_1 \cos 6000t + \beta_2 \sin 6000t] \quad \text{For } t > 0$$

To find β_1 & β_2 :

$$i(0^+) = i(0^-) = 0$$

$$\frac{di(0^+)}{dt} = \frac{V_s - V_c(0^-)}{L} = 10000$$

$$\beta_1 = 0$$

$$\beta_2 = 1.67$$

$$i(t) = 1.67e^{-8000t} [\sin 6000t] \quad \mathbf{A} \quad \mathbf{For\ } t > 0$$

2) find $V_c(t)$ for $t > 0$

$$V_s = R_i(t) + L \frac{di(t)}{dt} + V_c(t)$$

$$i(t) = i_c(t) = C \frac{dv_c(t)}{dt}$$

$$V_s = LC \frac{d^2v_c(t)}{dt^2} + RC \frac{dv_c(t)}{dt} + v_c(t) \quad \text{Second order nonhomogeneous differential equation.}$$

$$V_c(t) = V_{cf}(t) + V_{cn}(t)$$

$$V_{cf}(t) = k$$

$$V_s = 0 + 0 + k$$

$$V_{cf}(t) = k$$

To find $V_{cn}(t)$:

$$0 = LCS^2 + RCS + 1$$

$$0 = 10 * 10^{-9}S^2 + 10 * 160^{-6}S + 1$$

$$S_1 = -8000 + j6000 \quad \longrightarrow \text{Under damped case}$$

$$S_2 = -8000 - j6000$$

$$V_c(t) = 100 + e^{-8000t} [\beta_1 \cos 6000t + \beta_2 \sin 6000t] \quad \text{For } t > 0$$

To find β_1 & β_2 we need: $V_c(0^+)$ and $\frac{dv_c(0^+)}{dt}$

$$v_c(0^+) = v_c(0^-) = 50 \text{ volt}$$

$$i_c(0^+) = i_L(0^-) = C \frac{dv_c(0^+)}{dt} = 0 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \frac{dv_c(0^+)}{dt} = 0$$

$$v_c(0^+) = 100 + \beta_1 = 50$$

$$\beta_1 = -50$$

$$\frac{dv_c(0^+)}{dt} = -8000\beta_1 + 6000\beta_2$$

$$\beta_2 = -66.67$$

$$V_c(t) = [100 + e^{-8000t} (-50 \cos 6000t - 66.67 \sin 6000t)]$$

For $t > 0$

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Procedure for analyzing 2nd-order circuits (series RLC and parallel RLC)

1. Find the characteristic equation and the natural response

A) Is the circuit a series RLC or parallel RLC? (for $t > 0$ with independent sources killed)

B) Find α and ω_0 and use these values in the **characteristic equation**: $s^2 + 2\alpha s + \omega_0^2$.

$$\alpha = \frac{R}{2L} \text{ (series RLC)} \quad \alpha = \frac{1}{2RC} \text{ (parallel RLC)} \quad \omega_0^2 = \frac{1}{LC} \text{ (both series and parallel RLC)}$$

C) Find the roots of the characteristic equation (characteristic roots or natural frequencies).

D) Determine the form of the natural response based on the type of characteristic roots:

a) **Overdamped**: Real, distinct roots : $x_n = A_1 e^{s_1 t} + A_2 e^{s_2 t}$

b) **Underdamped**: Complex roots : $x_n = e^{\alpha t} [A_1 \cos(\beta t) + A_2 \sin(\beta t)]$

c) **Critically damped**: Repeated roots : $x_n = (A_1 t + A_2) e^{s t}$

2. Find the forced response - Analyze the circuit at $t = \infty$ to find $x_f = x(\infty)$.

3. Find the initial conditions, $x(0)$ and $x'(0)$.

A) Find $x(0)$ by analyzing the circuit at $t = 0^-$ (find all capacitor voltages and inductor currents)

B) Analyze the circuit at $t = 0^+$ (using $v_C(0)$ and $i_L(0)$ from step 3B) and find:

$$\frac{dv_C(0^+)}{dt} = \frac{i_C(0^+)}{C} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{di_L(0^+)}{dt} = \frac{v_L(0^+)}{L}$$

4. Find the complete response

A) Find the total response, $x(t) = x_n + x_f$.

B) Use the two initial conditions to solve for the two unknowns in the total response.

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Important Note: In determining if a circuit is a series RLC or parallel RLC circuit, consider the circuit for $t > 0$ with all independent sources killed.

TABLE 8.2 The Response of a Second-Order Circuit is Overdamped, Underdamped, or Critically Damped		
The Circuit is	When	Qualitative Nature of the Response
Overdamped	$\alpha^2 > \omega_0^2$	The voltage or current approaches its final value without oscillation
Underdamped	$\alpha^2 < \omega_0^2$	The voltage or current oscillates about its final value
Critically damped	$\alpha^2 = \omega_0^2$	The voltage or current is on the verge of oscillating about its final value

TABLE 8.3 In Determining the Natural Response of a Second-Order Circuit, We First Determine Whether it is Over-, Under-, or Critically Damped, and Then We Solve the Appropriate Equations

Damping	Natural Response Equations	Coefficient Equations
Overdamped	$x(t) = A_1 e^{s_1 t} + A_2 e^{s_2 t}$	$x(0) = A_1 + A_2$; $dx/dt(0) = A_1 s_1 + A_2 s_2$
Underdamped	$x(t) = (B_1 \cos \omega_d t + B_2 \sin \omega_d t) e^{-\alpha t}$	$x(0) = B_1$; $dx/dt(0) = -\alpha B_1 + \omega_d B_2$, where $\omega_d = \sqrt{\omega_0^2 - \alpha^2}$
Critically damped	$x(t) = (D_1 t + D_2) e^{-\alpha t}$	$x(0) = D_2$, $dx/dt(0) = D_1 - \alpha D_2$

TABLE 8.4 In Determining the Step Response of a Second-Order Circuit, We Apply the Appropriate Equations Depending on the Damping

Damping	Step Response Equations ^a	Coefficient Equations
Overdamped	$x(t) = X_f + A_1' e^{s_1 t} + A_2' e^{s_2 t}$	$x(0) = X_f + A_1' + A_2'$; $dx/dt(0) = A_1' s_1 + A_2' s_2$
Underdamped	$x(t) = X_f + (B_1' \cos \omega_d t + B_2' \sin \omega_d t) e^{-\alpha t}$	$x(0) = X_f + B_1'$; $dx/dt(0) = -\alpha B_1' + \omega_d B_2'$
Critically damped	$x(t) = X_f + D_1' t e^{-\alpha t} + D_2' e^{-\alpha t}$	$x(0) = X_f + D_2'$; $dx/dt(0) = D_1' - \alpha D_2'$

^a where X_f is the final value of $x(t)$.

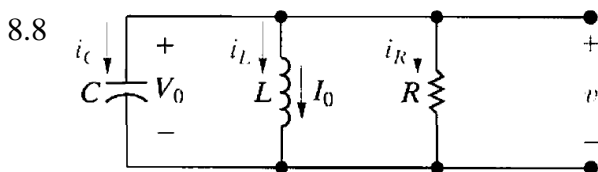


Figure 8.1 ▲ A circuit used to illustrate the natural response of a parallel RLC circuit.

8.8 Suppose the capacitor in the circuit shown in Fig. 8.1 has a value of $0.1 \mu\text{F}$ and an initial voltage of 24 V . The initial current in the inductor is zero. The resulting voltage response for $t \geq 0$ is

$$v(t) = -8e^{-250t} + 32e^{-1000t} \text{ V.}$$

- Determine the numerical values of R , L , α , and ω_0 .
- Calculate $i_R(t)$, $i_L(t)$, and $i_C(t)$ for $t \geq 0^+$.

Answer

$$\alpha = 625 \text{ rad/s}$$

$$R = 8 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$\omega_0 = 500 \text{ rad/s}$$

$$L = 40 \text{ H}$$

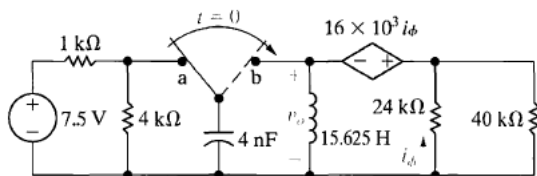
$$i_R = -1e^{-250t} + 4e^{-1000t} \text{ mA,}$$

$$i_L = 0.8e^{-250t} - 0.8e^{-1000t} \text{ mA}$$

$$i_C = 0.2e^{-250t} - 3.2e^{-1000t} \text{ mA,}$$

8.21 The switch in the circuit of Fig. P8.21 has been in position a for a long time. At $t = 0$ the switch moves instantaneously to position b. Find $v_o(t)$ for $t \geq 0$.

Figure P8.21

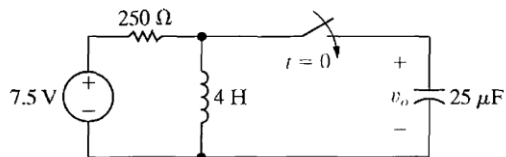


Answer

$$v_o = 8e^{-8000t} - 2e^{-2000t} \text{ V}, \quad t \geq 0$$

8.36 The switch in the circuit in Fig. P8.36 has been open a long time before closing at $t = 0$. At the time the switch closes, the capacitor has no stored energy. Find v_o for $t \geq 0$.

Figure P8.36



Answer

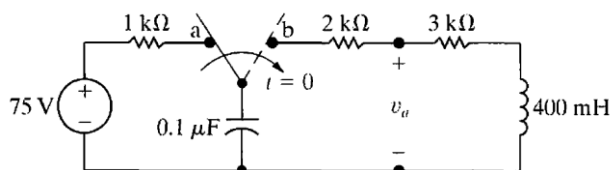
$$v_o = 0 \text{ for } t \geq 0$$

8.46 The switch in the circuit in Fig. P8.46 on the next page has been in position a for a long time. At $t = 0$, the switch moves instantaneously to position b.

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- What is the initial value of v_a ?
- What is the initial value of dv_a/dt ?
- What is the numerical expression for $v_a(t)$ for $t \geq 0$?

Figure P8.46

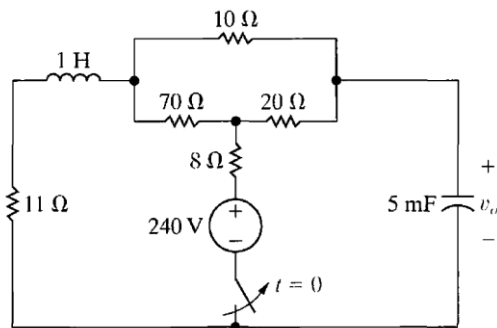


Answer

- $v_a(0^+) = 75 \text{ V}$
- $\frac{dv_a(0^+)}{dt} = -375,000 \text{ V/s}$
- $v_a = 50e^{-2500t} + 25e^{-10,000t} \text{ V}, \quad t \geq 0^+$

8.48 The switch in the circuit shown in Fig. P8.48 has been closed for a long time. The switch opens at $t = 0$. Find $v_o(t)$ for $t \geq 0$.

Figure P8.48



Answer

$$v_o = 108e^{-10t} \cos 10t - 12e^{-10t} \sin 10t \text{ V}, \quad t \geq 0$$