

LCR circuit

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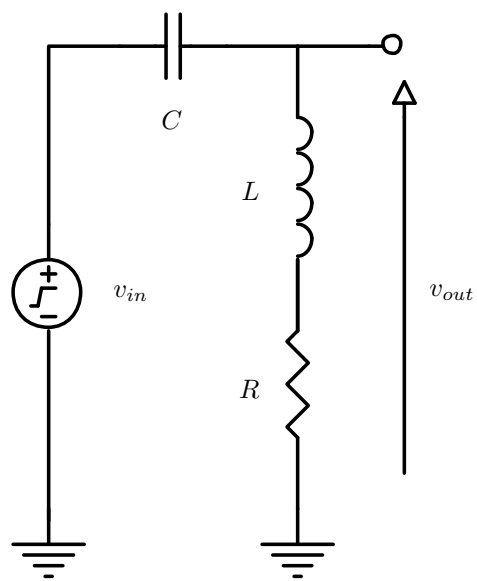


Figure 1: LCR circuit

1 Analysis in the time domain

When V_{in} is a step function given by $V \cdot u(t)$ where V is the magnitude of the step and $u(t) = 1$ for $t \geq 0$ and zero otherwise. The voltage around the loop is given by:

$$Vu(t) = v_c(t) + \frac{di(t)}{dt}L + Ri(t) \quad (1)$$

Substituting $i(t) = \frac{dv_c(t)}{dt}$ into equation 1:

$$Vu(t) = v_c(t) + \frac{d^2v_c(t)}{dt^2}LC + R\frac{dv_c(t)}{dt}C \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{d^2v_c(t)}{dt^2} + \frac{R}{L}\frac{dv_c(t)}{dt} + \frac{1}{LC}v_c(t) = \frac{Vu(t)}{LC} \quad (3)$$

Let:

$$v_c(t) = v_f(t) + v_n(t) \quad (4)$$

substituting equation 4 into equation 3:

$$\left[\frac{d^2v_n(t)}{dt^2} + \frac{R}{L}\frac{dv_n(t)}{dt} + \frac{1}{LC}v_n(t) \right] + \left[\frac{d^2v_f(t)}{dt^2} + \frac{R}{L}\frac{dv_f(t)}{dt} + \frac{1}{LC}v_f(t) \right] = 0 + \frac{Vu(t)}{LC} \quad (5)$$

where $v_n(t)$ is the natural response and $v_f(t)$ is the forcing function.

For $t > 0s$ $u(t) = 1$:

$$\left[\frac{d^2v_n(t)}{dt^2} + \frac{R}{L}\frac{dv_n(t)}{dt} + \frac{1}{LC}v_n(t) \right] = 0 \quad (6)$$

$$\left[\frac{d^2v_f(t)}{dt^2} + \frac{R}{L}\frac{dv_f(t)}{dt} + \frac{1}{LC}v_f(t) \right] = \frac{V}{LC} \quad (7)$$

Solve for $v_f(t)$: Since $\frac{V}{LC}$ is a polynomial of degree 0, the solution $v_f(t)$ must be a constant such that:

$$v_f(t) = K \quad (8)$$

$$\frac{dv_f(t)}{dt} = 0 \quad (9)$$

$$\frac{d^2v_f(t)}{dt^2} = 0 \quad (10)$$

Substituting into equation 7:

$$\frac{1}{LC}K = \frac{V}{LC} \quad (11)$$

$$K = V \quad (12)$$

$$v_f = V \quad (13)$$

$$(14)$$

Solve for $v_n(t)$:

$$\frac{R}{L} = 2\alpha \quad (15)$$

$$\frac{1}{LC} = \omega_n^2 \quad (16)$$

$$v_n(t) = Ae^{st} \quad (17)$$

Substituting into equation 6 gives:

$$\frac{d^2 Ae^{st}}{dt^2} + 2\alpha \frac{dAe^{st}}{dt} + \omega_n^2 Ae^{st} = 0 \quad (18)$$

$$s^2 Ae^{st} + 2\alpha Ae^{st} + \omega_n^2 Ae^{st} = 0 \quad (19)$$

$$s^2 + 2\alpha s + \omega_n^2 = 0 \quad (20)$$

$$s = \frac{-2\alpha \pm \sqrt{4\alpha^2 - 4\omega_n^2}}{2} = -\alpha \pm \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_n^2} \quad (21)$$

Therefore $v_n(t)$ has two solutions $Ae^{s_1 t}$ and $Ae^{s_2 t}$ where s_1 and s_2 are given by:

$$s_1 = -\alpha + \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_n^2} \quad (22)$$

$$s_2 = -\alpha - \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_n^2} \quad (23)$$

The general solution is then given by[3]:

$$v_n(t) = A_1 e^{s_1 t} + A_2 e^{s_2 t} \quad (24)$$

Given:

L	R	C	V
0.5	1k Ω	100nF	1V

$$\alpha = \frac{R}{2L} = 1000 \quad (25)$$

$$\omega_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}} \approx 4472 \quad (26)$$

$$s_1 = -1000 - 4359j \quad (27)$$

$$s_2 = -1000 + 4359j \quad (28)$$

$$(29)$$

$$v_n(t) = A_1 e^{(-1000-4359j)t} + A_2 e^{(-1000+4359j)t} \quad (30)$$

Thus by Euler's formula[2]:

$$e^{j\phi} = \cos \phi + j \sin \phi \quad (31)$$

$$\begin{aligned} v_n(t) &= e^{-1000t} [(A_1 \cos(-4359t) + j \sin(-4359t)) + A_2 (\cos(4359t) + j \sin(-4359t))] \\ &= e^{-1000t} [(A_1 + A_2) \cos(4359t) + j(-A_1 + A_2) \sin(4359t)] \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

Let $B_1 = A_1 + A_2$ and $B_2 = j(-A_1 + A_2)$

$$v_n(t) = e^{-1000t} [B_1 \cos(4359t) + B_2 \sin(4359t)] \quad (33)$$

Solve for B_1 and B_2 : From equation 13, $v_f = 1$ for a unit step of magnitude 1V. Therefore substitution of v_f and $v_n(t)$ into equation 4 gives:

$$v_c(t) = 1 + e^{-1000t} [B_1 \cos(4359t) + B_2 \sin(4359t)] \quad (34)$$

for $t = 0$ the voltage across the capacitor is zero, $v_c(t) = 0$

$$0 = 1 + B_1 \cos(0) + B_2 \sin(0) \quad (35)$$

$$B_1 = -1 \quad (36)$$

for $t = 0$, the current in the inductor must be zero, $i(0) = 0$

$$i(t) = \frac{dv_c(t)}{dt} C \quad (37)$$

$$i(0) = 100 \cdot 10^{-9} [e^{-1000t} (-4359B_1 \sin(4359t) + 4359B_2 \cos(4359t)) - 1000e^{-1000t} (B_1 \cos(4359t) + B_2 \sin(4359t))] \quad (38)$$

$$0 = 100 \cdot 10^{-9} [4359B_2 - 1000B_1] \quad (39)$$

substituting B_1 from equation 36 gives

$$B_2 \approx -0.229 \quad (40)$$

For $t > 0$, $v_c(t)$ is given by:

$$v_c(t) = 1 - e^{-1000t} [\cos(4359t) + 0.229 \sin(4359t)] \quad (41)$$

v_{out} is given by:

$$v_{out} = V_{in} - v_c(t) \quad (42)$$

$$v_{out} = Vu(t) - v_c(t) \quad (43)$$

$$(44)$$

For $t > 0$, v_{out} is given by:

$$\boxed{v_{out} = e^{-1000t} [\cos(4359t) + 0.229 \sin(4359t)]} \quad (45)$$

2 Analysis in the frequency domain

$$H(s) = \frac{sL + R}{\frac{1}{sC} + sL + R} \quad (46)$$

$$= \frac{s^2CL + sRC}{1 + s^2CL + sRC} \quad (47)$$

$$= \frac{sCL(s + \frac{R}{L})}{s^2CL + sRC + 1} \quad (48)$$

$$= \frac{s(s + \frac{R}{L})}{s^2 + \frac{R}{L}s + \frac{1}{LC}} \quad (49)$$

Let:

$$\frac{R}{L} = 2\alpha \quad (50)$$

$$\frac{1}{LC} = \omega_n^2 \quad (51)$$

$$H(s) = \frac{s(s + 2\alpha)}{s^2 + 2\alpha s + \omega_n^2} \quad (52)$$

$$= \frac{s(s + 2\alpha)}{(s + \alpha + j\sqrt{\omega_n^2 - \alpha^2})(s + \alpha - j\sqrt{\omega_n^2 - \alpha^2})} \quad (53)$$

If $\omega_n^2 > \alpha^2$, then the circuit has complex poles(as in the example presented) and is said to be underdamped[2].

The input v_{in} is a unit step, $u(t)$. The output v_{out} is then given by the convolution of the impulse response $h(t)$ and the unit step function $u(t)$ Therefore the output is given by multiplication in the frequency domain $H(s)U(s)$, where $U(s) = \frac{1}{s}$ is given by the Laplace Transform[1] shown in equation 54.

$$u(t) \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{s} \quad (54)$$

$$H(s)U(s) = \frac{(s + 2\alpha)}{(s + \alpha + j\sqrt{\omega_n^2 - \alpha^2})(s + \alpha - j\sqrt{\omega_n^2 - \alpha^2})} \quad (55)$$

We now express $H(s)U(s)$ as the sum of partial fractions[1]:

$$\frac{(s + 2\alpha)}{(s + \alpha + j\sqrt{\omega_n^2 - \alpha^2})(s + \alpha - j\sqrt{\omega_n^2 - \alpha^2})} = \frac{A_1}{s + \alpha + j\sqrt{\omega_n^2 - \alpha^2}} + \frac{A_2}{s + \alpha - j\sqrt{\omega_n^2 - \alpha^2}} \quad (56)$$

Solving for A_1

$$\frac{(s + 2\alpha)}{s + \alpha - j\sqrt{\omega_n^2 - \alpha^2}} = A_1 + \frac{A_2(s + \alpha + j\sqrt{\omega_n^2 - \alpha^2})}{s + \alpha - j\sqrt{\omega_n^2 - \alpha^2}} \quad (57)$$

$$A_1 = \frac{1}{2} + j \frac{\alpha}{2\sqrt{\omega_n^2 - \alpha^2}} \Big|_{s=-\alpha-j\sqrt{\omega_n^2 - \alpha^2}} \quad (58)$$

Solving for A_2

$$\frac{(s + 2\alpha)}{s + \alpha + j\sqrt{\omega_n^2 - \alpha^2}} = \frac{A_1(s + \alpha - j\sqrt{\omega_n^2 - \alpha^2})}{s + \alpha + j\sqrt{\omega_n^2 - \alpha^2}} + A_2 \quad (59)$$

$$A_2 = \frac{1}{2} - j \frac{\alpha}{2\sqrt{\omega_n^2 - \alpha^2}} \Big|_{s=-\alpha+j\sqrt{\omega_n^2 - \alpha^2}} \quad (60)$$

$H(s)U(s)$ then becomes:

$$H(s)U(s) = \frac{\frac{1}{2} + j \frac{\alpha}{2\sqrt{\omega_n^2 - \alpha^2}}}{s + \alpha + j\sqrt{\omega_n^2 - \alpha^2}} + \frac{\frac{1}{2} - j \frac{\alpha}{2\sqrt{\omega_n^2 - \alpha^2}}}{s + \alpha - j\sqrt{\omega_n^2 - \alpha^2}} \quad (61)$$

Transformation to the time domain is done with the Laplace Transform pair given in equation 62.

$$2e^{-\alpha t}(a \cos(\beta t) - b \sin(\beta t)) \leftrightarrow \frac{a + jb}{s + \alpha - j\beta} + \frac{a - jb}{s + \alpha + j\beta} \quad (62)$$

Therefore $h(t) * u(t)$ is given by:

$$h(t) * u(t) = e^{-\alpha t} \left(\cos(\sqrt{\omega_n^2 - \alpha^2} t) + \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{\omega_n^2 - \alpha^2}} \sin(\sqrt{\omega_n^2 - \alpha^2} t) \right) \quad (63)$$

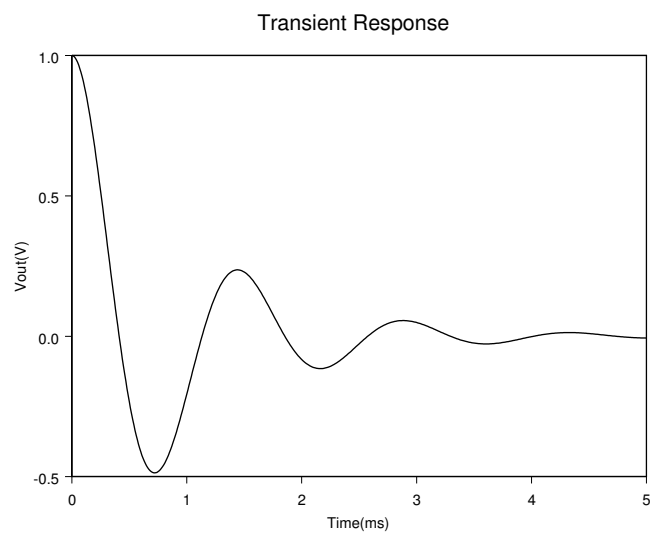
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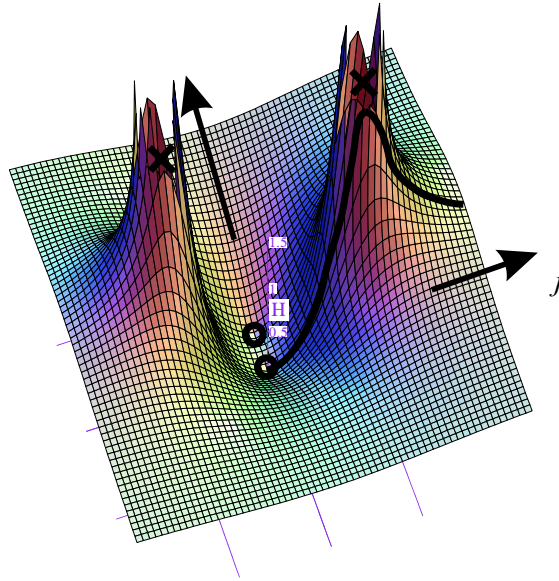
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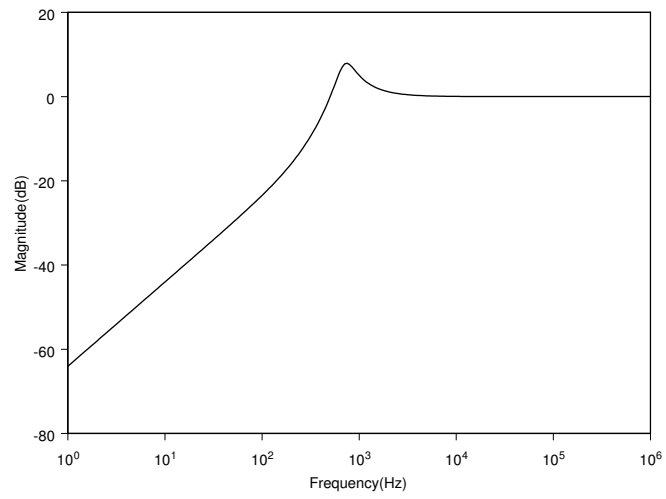
$$h(t) * u(t) = e^{-1000t} (\cos(4359t) + 0.229 \sin(4359t)) \quad (66)$$



Transient Response of LCR circuit



LCR circuit in the S-domain



Frequency Response of LCR circuit

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