

5.1.4: Series Circuit Analog

Potential Drops Across Components:

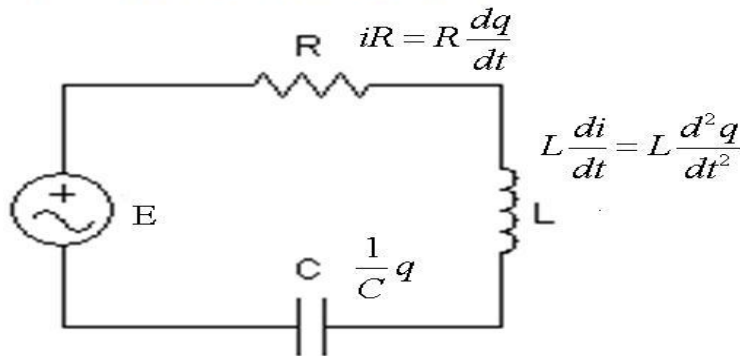


Figure: Kirchhoff's Law: The charge q on the capacitor satisfies $Lq'' + Rq' + \frac{1}{C}q = E(t)$.

LRC Series Circuit (Free Electrical Vibrations)

$$L \frac{d^2 q}{dt^2} + R \frac{dq}{dt} + \frac{1}{C} q = 0$$

If the applied force $E(t) = 0$, then the **electrical vibrations** of the circuit are said to be **free**. These are categorized as

overdamped if	$R^2 - 4L/C > 0,$
critically damped if	$R^2 - 4L/C = 0,$
underdamped if	$R^2 - 4L/C < 0.$

Example

An *LRC* series circuit with no applied force has an inductance of $L = 2\text{h}$ and capacitance of $C = 5 \times 10^{-3}\text{f}$. Determine the condition on the resistor such that the electrical vibrations are

(a) Overdamped, $R^2 - 1600 > 0 \Rightarrow R^2 > 1600$
 $R > 40 \Omega$

$L = 2\text{h}, C = 5 \cdot 10^{-3}\text{f}$
 $R - \text{unknown}$

(b) Critically damped, or

$R^2 - 1600 = 0 \Rightarrow R = 40 \Omega$

$5 \cdot 10^{-3} = \frac{5}{1000}$

(c) Underdamped. $R^2 - 1600 < 0 \Rightarrow 0 \leq R < 40 \Omega$

$$R^2 - \frac{4L}{C} = R^2 - \frac{4 \cdot 2}{5 \cdot 10^{-3}} = R^2 - 4 \cdot 2 \cdot 200 = R^2 - 1600$$

Example

An LRC-series circuit with inductance 1 h, resistance 100Ω and capacitance 0.0004 f has an applied force of 30 V. Find the charge q on the capacitor if $q(0) = 0 \text{ C}$ and the initial current $i(0) = 2 \text{ A}$. Find the maximum charge on the capacitor.

$$Lq'' + Rq' + \frac{1}{C}q = E \qquad q'' + 100q' + \frac{1}{\frac{4}{10000}}q = 30$$

$$q(0) = 0, \quad q'(0) = 2$$

$$q'' + 100q' + 2500q = 30$$

$$q = q_c + q_p$$

$$\text{Find } q_c: \quad q'' + 100q' + 2500q = 0$$

$$m^2 + 100m + 2500 = 0$$

$$(m + 50)^2 = 0 \\ m = -50$$

$$g_c = C_1 e^{-50t} + C_2 t e^{-50t}$$

Find g_p : Undetermined Coef

$$g_p = A, \quad g_p' = g_p'' = 0$$

$$g_p'' + 100g_p' + 2500g_p = 30 \Rightarrow 2500A = 30 \Rightarrow A = \frac{3}{250}$$

The general solution to the ODE is

$$g = C_1 e^{-50t} + C_2 t e^{-50t} + \frac{3}{250}$$

Apply

$$g(0) = 0$$

$$g'(0) = 2$$

$$g'(t) = -50c_1 e^{-50t} + c_2 e^{-50t} - 50c_2 t e^{-50t}$$

$$g(0) = c_1 e^0 + c_2 \cdot 0 e^0 + \frac{3}{250} = 0$$

$$c_1 = \frac{-3}{250}$$

$$g'(0) = -50\left(\frac{-3}{250}\right)e^0 + c_2 e^0 - 50 \cdot c_2 \cdot 0 e^0 = 2$$

$$c_2 = 2 - \frac{3}{5} = \frac{10-3}{5} = \frac{7}{5}$$

The charge on the capacitor is

$$q(t) = \frac{-3}{250} e^{-50t} + \frac{7}{5} t e^{-50t} + \frac{3}{250}.$$

To find the max charge, we'll find critical point(s) and identify a max.

$$\begin{aligned} q'(t) &= -50 \left(\frac{-3}{250} \right) e^{-50t} + \frac{7}{5} e^{-50t} - 50 \left(\frac{7}{5} \right) t e^{-50t} \\ &= 2 e^{-50t} - 70 t e^{-50t} \\ &= 2 e^{-50t} (1 - 35t) \end{aligned}$$

$$q'(t) = 0 \Rightarrow 1 - 35t = 0 \Rightarrow t = \frac{1}{35}$$

1st derivative test $q'(0) = 2 > 0$, $q'(1) = -68e^{-50} < 0$

$q(\frac{1}{35})$ is an absolute maximum.

The maximum charge is

$$q\left(\frac{1}{35}\right) = \frac{-3}{250} e^{-\frac{50}{35}} + \frac{7}{5} \left(\frac{1}{35}\right) e^{-\frac{50}{35}} + \frac{3}{250}$$
$$\approx 0.0187 \text{ C}$$

Section 7.1: The Laplace Transform

If $f = f(s, t)$ is a function of two variables s and t , and we compute a definite integral **with respect to** t ,

$$\int_a^b f(s, t) dt$$

we are left with a function of s alone.

Example: Compute the integral¹

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^4 (2st + s^2 - t) dt &= s t^2 + s^2 t - \frac{t^2}{2} \Big|_0^4 \\ &= s(4)^2 + s^2 \cdot 4 - \frac{4^2}{2} - \left(s \cdot 0^2 + s^2 \cdot 0 - \frac{0^2}{2} \right) = 16s + 4s^2 - 8 \end{aligned}$$

a function of
 s

¹The variable s is treated like a constant when integrating with respect to t —and visa versa.

Integral Transform

An **integral transform** is a mapping that assigns to a function $f(t)$ another function $F(s)$ via an integral of the form

$$\int_a^b K(s, t) f(t) dt.$$

- ▶ The function K is called the **kernel** of the transformation.
- ▶ The limits a and b may be finite or infinite.
- ▶ The integral may be improper so that convergence/divergence must be considered.
- ▶ This transform is **linear** in the sense that for α, β constants

$$\int_a^b K(s, t)(\alpha f(t) + \beta g(t)) dt = \alpha \int_a^b K(s, t)f(t) dt + \beta \int_a^b K(s, t)g(t) dt.$$

The Laplace Transform

Definition: Let $f(t)$ be defined on $[0, \infty)$. The Laplace transform of f is denoted and defined by

$$\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f(t) dt = F(s).$$

The domain of the transformation $F(s)$ is the set of all s such that the integral is convergent.

Note: The kernel for the Laplace transform is $K(s, t) = e^{-st}$.