

Circuits

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Capacitors and Inductors



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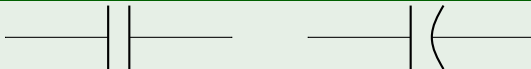


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Time dependence

- Until now, everything was happening instantly (DC mode)
- We will discover **new elements** which have some **dependence on time** *time dependent*
- These elements can **store and deliver energy**

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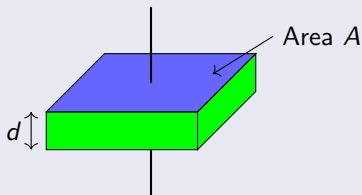
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Physical concept

Dielectric material between conductive plates



- Suppose we impose the voltage
- Charge builds up on each of the plates
- The charge stored is directly proportional to the voltage

Equation

$$q = C \cdot v$$

- q : charge in Coulombs (C)
- C : capacitance in Farads (F)
- v : voltage in Volts (V)

$$C = \frac{\epsilon \cdot A}{d}$$

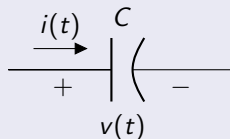
- ϵ : permittivity in $C^2/N \cdot m^2$

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Constitutive equation



- $q(t) = C \cdot v(t)$
- $\frac{d}{dt} q(t) = C \frac{d}{dt} v(t)$

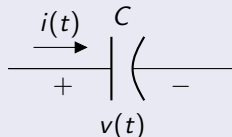
- $i(t) = C \frac{dv(t)}{dt}$

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Alternative constitutive equation



- $i(t) = C \cdot \frac{dv(t)}{dt}$
- $\int_{t_0}^t i(\tau) d\tau = C \int_{t_0}^t \frac{dv(\tau)}{d\tau} d\tau = C \cdot [v(t) - v(t_0)]$
- $v(t) = v(t_0) + \frac{1}{C} \int_{t_0}^t i(\tau) d\tau$

Very often (but not always!), we will consider that: $v(0) = 0$

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Linearity?

- Are capacitors **linear elements**?

For a voltage $v_1(t)$, then the current is: $i_1(t) = C \frac{dv_1(t)}{dt}$

For another voltage $v_2(t)$, then the current is: $i_2(t) = C \frac{dv_2(t)}{dt}$

Now, we impose a voltage $v(t) = a \cdot v_1(t) + b \cdot v_2(t)$. The current is:

$$i(t) = C \frac{dv(t)}{dt} = C \frac{d(a \cdot v_1(t) + b \cdot v_2(t))}{dt} = aC \frac{dv_1(t)}{dt} + bC \frac{dv_2(t)}{dt}$$

$$i(t) = a \cdot i_1(t) + b \cdot i_2(t)$$

Capacitors are linear

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Power absorbed by capacitors

$$p(t) = v(t) \cdot i(t) = v(t) \cdot C \frac{dv(t)}{dt}$$

- If positive: absorbs power (increases the stored energy)
- If negative: delivers power (gives back the stored energy)

Energy stored

The energy stored by a capacitor from time t_0 to time t is:

$$\begin{aligned} w(t) - w(t_0) &= \int_{t_0}^t p(\tau) d\tau = \int_{t_0}^t v(\tau) \cdot C \frac{dv(\tau)}{d\tau} d\tau \\ &= C \int_{v(t_0)}^{v(t)} v(\tau) dv(\tau) = \frac{1}{2} C [v(t)^2 - v(t_0)^2] \end{aligned}$$

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Energy

From previous equation, we can conclude that:

$$w(t) = \frac{1}{2} C v(t)^2 + cste$$

By convention, the *cste* is chosen to be null. It means that when *v* is equal to 0, the capacitor does not have any energy stored.

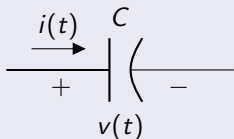
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Observations



$$i(t) = C \cdot \frac{dv(t)}{dt}$$

- When $v(t)$ is constant, then there is no current ($i(t) = 0$)
- In DC mode, the capacitor is equivalent to an open-circuit
- $v(t)$ **cannot** change too quickly, otherwise it leads to huge currents (physically possible?)
- $v(t)$ is actually continuous (cannot have discontinuities)
- Capacitors do not dissipate energy, they store it then deliver it back

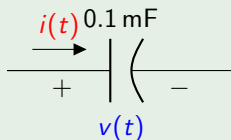
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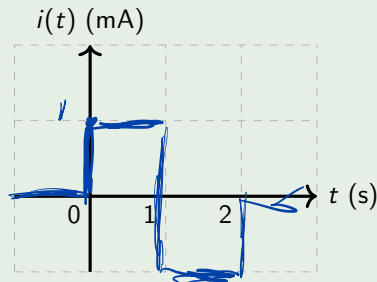
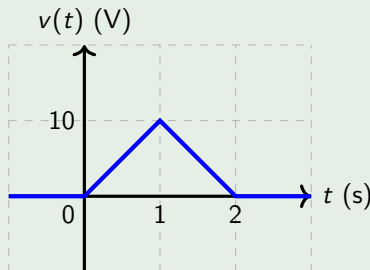
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Exercise

Find the expression of $i(t)$. Also plot the corresponding timing diagram.



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



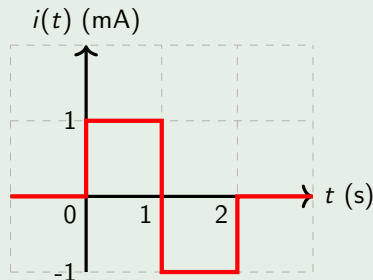
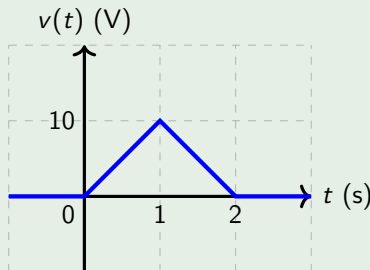
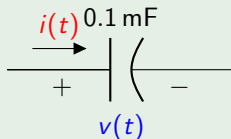
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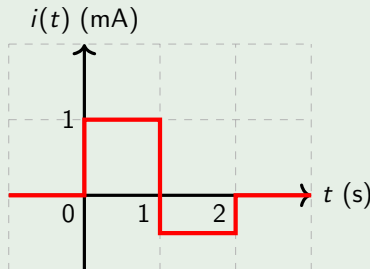
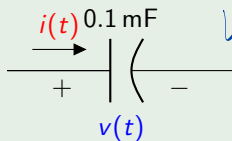
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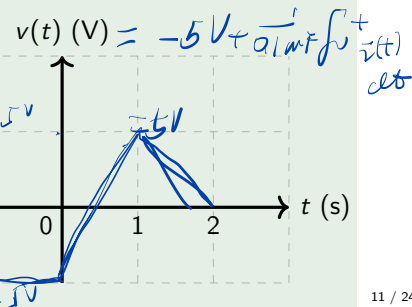
Find the expression of $v(t)$. Also plot the corresponding timing diagram.
At $t = 0$, the capacitor voltage is $-5V$.



$$V(t) = V(t_0) + \frac{1}{C} \int_{t_0}^t i(t) dt$$

$$V(1s) = V(0s)$$

$$+ \frac{1}{C} \int_0^t i(t) dt$$

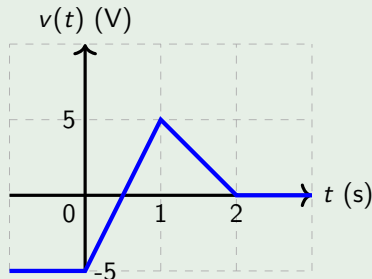
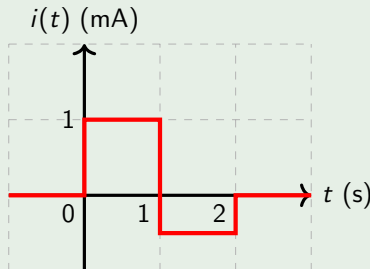
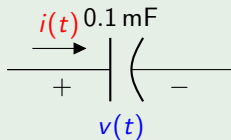


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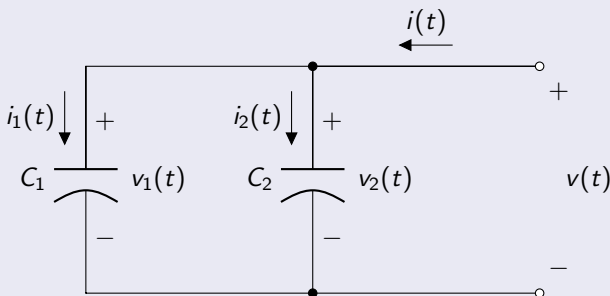
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Capacitors in parallel



Equivalence

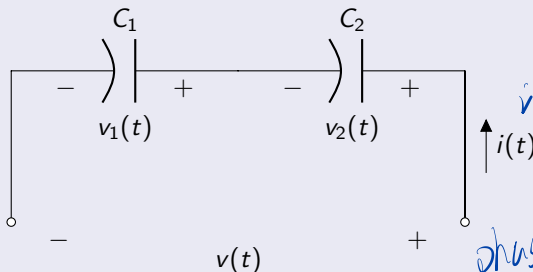
- $v_1(t) = v_2(t) = v(t)$
- $i(t) = i_1(t) + i_2(t) = C_1 \frac{dv(t)}{dt} + C_2 \frac{dv(t)}{dt} = (C_1 + C_2) \frac{dv(t)}{dt}$
- $C_{eq} = C_1 + C_2$

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Capacitors in series



$$v(t) = \sin \omega t$$

$$v(t) = C \frac{dv(t)}{dt} = C \omega \cos \omega t$$

phase difference $\frac{\pi}{2}$

Equivalence

$$\blacksquare v(t) = v_1(t) + v_2(t) = v_1(t_0) + \frac{1}{C_1} \int_{t_0}^t i(\tau) d\tau + v_2(t_0) + \frac{1}{C_2} \int_{t_0}^t i(\tau) d\tau$$

$$\blacksquare v(t) = v(t_0) + \left(\frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2} \right) \int_{t_0}^t i(\tau) d\tau \implies$$

$$\frac{1}{C_{eq}} = \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2}$$

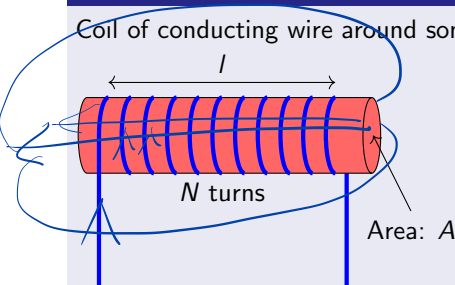
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Physical concept

Coil of conducting wire around some magnetic material



- Suppose we impose the current
- It will create a magnetic flux in the material
- The magnetic flux is directly proportional to the current

Equation

$$N \cdot \phi = L \cdot i$$

- ϕ : flux in Webers (Wb)
- L : inductance in Henrys (H)
- i : current in Amperes (A)

$$L = \frac{\mu \cdot N^2 \cdot A}{l}$$

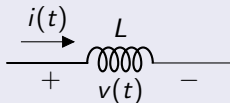
- μ : permeability in N/A^2
- N : number of turns

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Constitutive equation



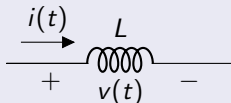
- $N \cdot \phi(t) = L \cdot i(t)$
- Faraday's law: $v(t) = N \frac{d\phi(t)}{dt}$

- $$v(t) = L \frac{di(t)}{dt}$$

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Alternative constitutive equation



- $v(t) = L \frac{di(t)}{dt}$
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Linearity?

- Are inductors **linear elements**?

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$$v(t) = a \cdot v_1(t) + b \cdot v_2(t)$$

Inductors are linear

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Power absorbed by inductors

$$p(t) = v(t) \cdot i(t) = L \frac{di(t)}{dt} \cdot i(t)$$

- If positive: absorbs power (increases the stored energy)
- If negative: delivers power (gives back the stored energy)

Energy stored

The energy stored by an inductor from time t_0 to time t is:

$$\begin{aligned} w(t) - w(t_0) &= \int_{t_0}^t p(\tau) d\tau = \int_{t_0}^t L \frac{di(\tau)}{d\tau} \cdot i(\tau) d\tau \\ &= L \int_{i(t_0)}^{i(t)} i(\tau) di(\tau) = \frac{1}{2} L [i(t)^2 - i(t_0)^2] \end{aligned}$$

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Energy

From previous equation, we can conclude that:

$$w(t) = \frac{1}{2}Li(t)^2 + cste$$

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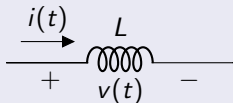
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Observations



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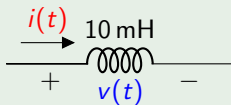
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Voltage can be not continuous
- Inductors do not dissipate energy, they store it then deliver it back

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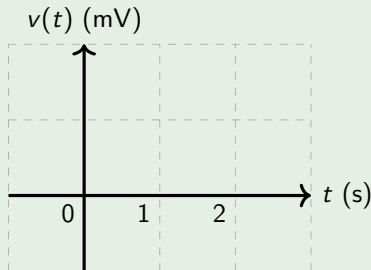
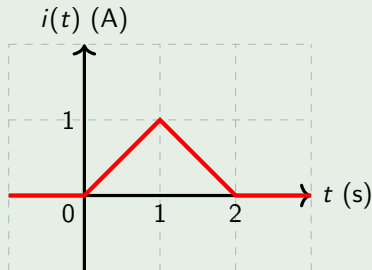


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$$V = L \frac{di}{dt}$$

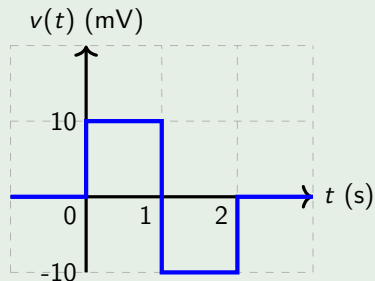
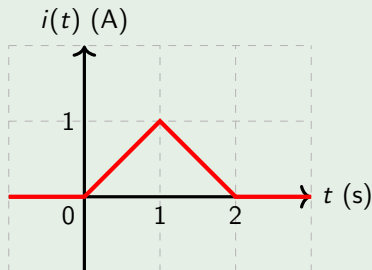
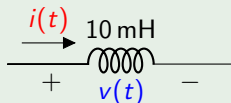


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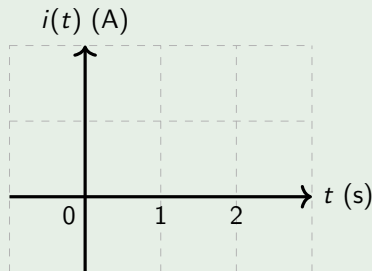
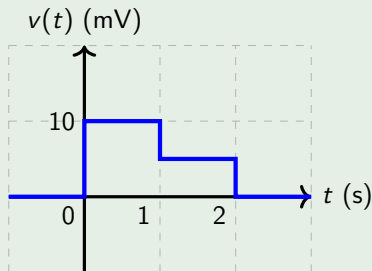
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Find the expression of $i(t)$. Also plot the corresponding timing diagram. At $t = 0$, the inductor current is -0.5 A.



the current should always be continuous



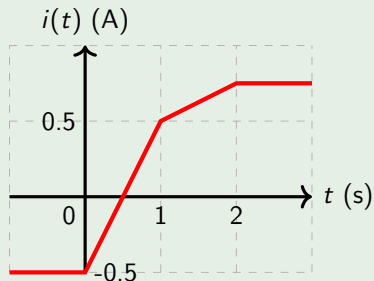
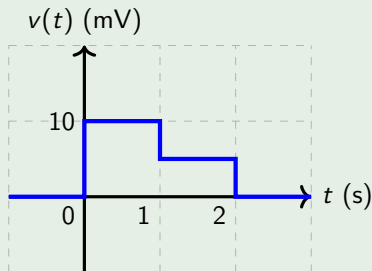
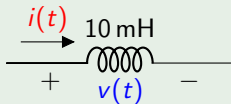
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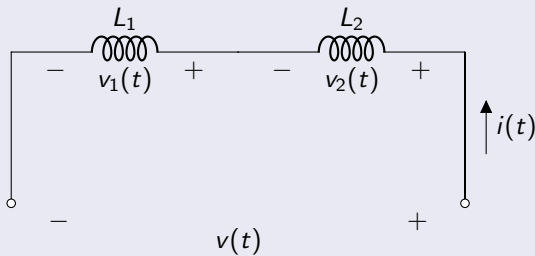


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Inductors in series



Equivalence

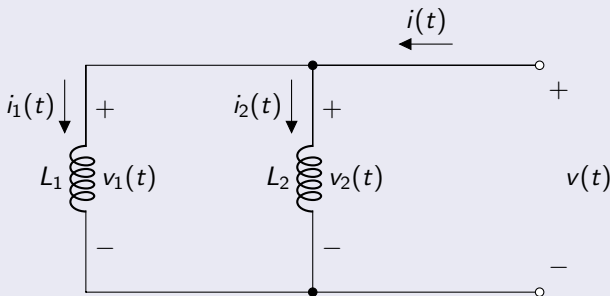
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Inductors in parallel



Equivalence

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