

## Lecture-15b

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# INTRODUCTION TO ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING (ESO203)

- Step Response of RL circuit.
- Second Order Response.

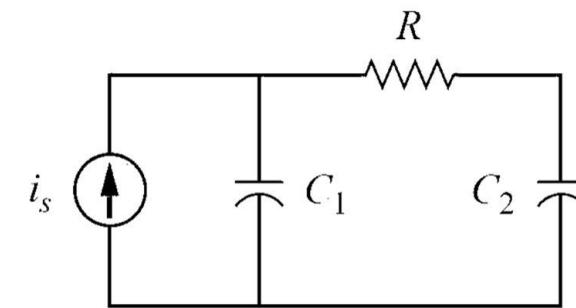
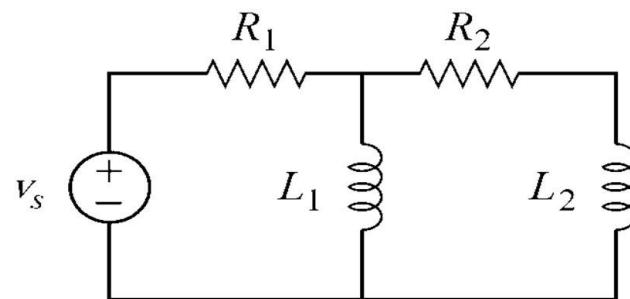
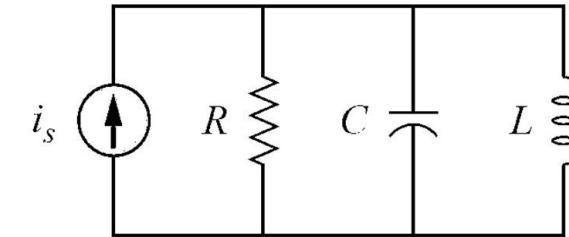
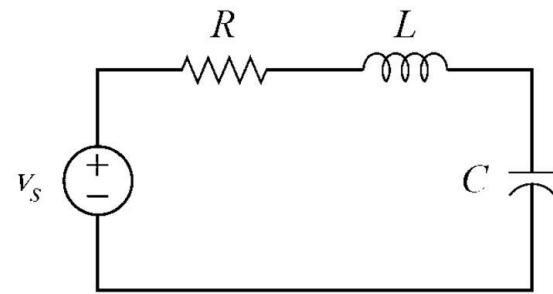
## Second Order Response

### □ Introduction

- A second-order circuit is characterized by a second-order differential equation.
- Therefore, the circuits which contain two storage elements are called *second-order* circuits as their responses include differential equations that contain second order derivatives.
- Second-order circuits are typically called as *RLC* circuits. Here, three kinds of passive elements, i.e. **R**, **L**, and **C**, are present.
- Second-order circuit may have two storage elements of different type or the same type (provided elements of the same type cannot be represented by an equivalent single element)

## Second Order Response (Cont...)

- Examples of such circuits are shown in the Figure in next slide.



## Second Order Response (Cont...)

### □ Finding Initial and Final Values

- It is easy to get the initial and final values of  $v$  and  $i$  but we often have difficulty in finding the initial values of their derivatives, i.e.  $dv/dt$  and  $di/dt$

### □ Two key points to keep in mind in determining the initial conditions.

- Polarity of voltage  $v(t)$  across capacitor and the direction of current  $i(t)$  through the inductor.
- Voltage across capacitor can not change abruptly, therefore,

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

- Similarly, inductor current can not change abruptly, therefore,

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

- Thus, in finding the initial conditions, we first focus on those variables that cannot change abruptly, i.e. capacitor voltage and inductor current,

## The Source-Free Series *RLC* Circuit

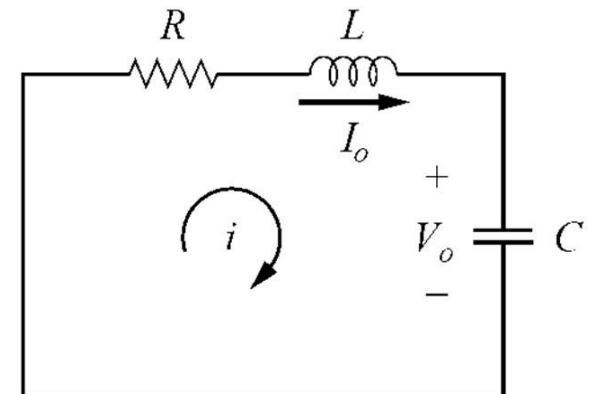
- The circuit shown in figure is being excited by the energy initially stored in the **capacitor** and **inductor**. The energy is represented by the initial capacitor voltage  $V_0$  and initial inductor current  $I_0$ . Thus, at  $t = 0$ ,

$$v(0) = \frac{1}{C} \int_{-\infty}^0 idt = V_0 \quad (1)$$

$$i(0) = I_0 \quad (2)$$

Applying KVL around the loop,

$$Ri + L \frac{di}{dt} + \frac{1}{C} \int_{-\infty}^t idt = 0 \quad (3)$$



## The Source-Free Series *RLC* Circuit (Cont..)

- To eliminate the integral, we differentiate with respect to  $t$  and rearrange terms. We get

$$\frac{d^2i}{dt^2} + \frac{R}{L} \frac{di}{dt} + \frac{i}{LC} = 0 \quad (4)$$

This is a *second-order differential equation*

- To solve such a second-order differential equation, we require to have two initial conditions, such as the initial value of  $i$  and its first derivative or initial values of  $i$  and  $v$ .
- The initial value of  $i$  is given in Eq. (2). We get the initial value of the derivative of  $i$  from Eqs. (1) & (3);

$$Ri(0) + L \frac{di(0)}{dt} + V_0 = 0 \quad \text{or}$$
$$\frac{di(0)}{dt} = -\frac{1}{L}(RI_0 + V_0) \quad (5)$$

## The Source-Free Series *RLC* Circuit (Cont..)

- With the two initial conditions in Eqs. (2) and (5), we can now solve Eq. (4).
- Our experience in the previous discussions on first-order circuits suggests that the solution is of exponential form. So, we let :

$$i = Ae^{\sigma t} \quad (6)$$

where  $A$  and  $\sigma$  are constants to be determined

Substituting Eq. (6) into Eq. (4) and carrying out the necessary differentiations, we obtain

$$A\sigma^2 e^{\sigma t} + \frac{AR}{L} \sigma e^{\sigma t} + \frac{A}{LC} e^{\sigma t} = 0 \quad \text{or}$$

$$Ae^{\sigma t} \left( \sigma^2 + \frac{R}{L}\sigma + \frac{1}{LC} \right) = 0 \quad (7)$$

## The Source-Free Series *RLC* Circuit (Cont..)

- Since  $i = Ae^{\sigma t}$  is the assumed solution, therefore, only expression in parentheses can be zero -

$$\sigma^2 + \frac{R}{L}\sigma + \frac{1}{LC} = 0 \quad (8)$$

- This quadratic equation is known as the **characteristic equation** of the differential Eq. (4), since the roots of the equation dictate the character of  $i$ .

The two roots of Eq. (8) are

$$\sigma_1 = -\frac{R}{2L} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{R}{2L}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{LC}} \quad (9a)$$

$$\sigma_2 = -\frac{R}{2L} - \sqrt{\left(\frac{R}{2L}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{LC}} \quad (9b)$$

## The Source-Free Series *RLC* Circuit

- A more compact way of expressing the roots is -

$$\sigma_1 = -\alpha + \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_0^2}, \sigma_2 = -\alpha - \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_0^2} \quad (10)$$

where,

$$\alpha = \frac{R}{2L}, \quad (11)$$

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

- The roots  $\sigma_1$  and  $\sigma_2$  are called *natural frequencies*, measured in nepers per second (Np/s).  $\omega_0$  is known as the *resonant frequency* or the *undamped natural frequency*, expressed in radians per second (rad/s); and  $\alpha$  is the *damping factor*, expressed in nepers per second.

