

# NCERT Physics 12.7 Q6

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**Question:** Obtain the resonance frequency of a series LCR circuit with  $L = 2.0\text{ H}$ ,  $C = 32\text{ }\mu\text{F}$ , and  $R = 10\text{ }\Omega$ . What is the Q-value of the circuit.

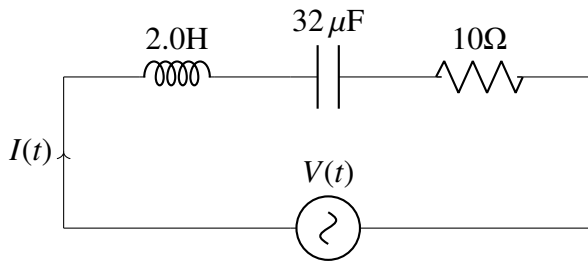


Fig. 1. LCR Circuit

**Solution:** In Figure Fig. 1 the following information is provided:

Symbol	Value	Description
$L$	$2.0\text{ H}$	Inductance
$C$	$32\text{ }\mu\text{F}$	Capacitance
$R$	$10\text{ }\Omega$	Resistance
$Q$	$\frac{V_L}{V_R}$	Quality Factor
$V_L$	$sLI(s)$	Voltage across inductance
$V_C$	$RI(s)$	Voltage across capacitor

TABLE I  
PARAMETERS

The equivalent s domain of the circuit is :

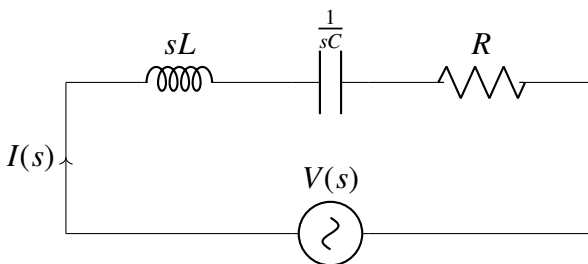


Fig. 2. LCR Circuit in s-domain

Now, the voltage transfer function ( $\frac{V(s)}{I(s)} = H(s)$ ) is given by Ohm's Law in the Laplace domain:

$$\frac{V(s)}{I(s)} = R + sL + \frac{1}{sC} \quad (1)$$

At resonance, the circuit becomes purely resistive. The reactances of capacitor and inductor cancel out as follows:

$$sL + \frac{1}{sC} = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$\Rightarrow s = j\frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}} \quad (3)$$

$s$  can be expressed in terms of resonant frequency as

$$s = j\omega_0 \quad (4)$$

Comparing equations (3) and (4), we get

$$\omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}} \quad (5)$$

Quality Factor ( $Q$ ) of an LCR circuit is defined as the ratio of voltage across inductor or capacitor to that across the resistor at resonance.

The voltage across inductor is :

Assuming a sinusoidal current  $I_s(t) = I_0 \sin(\omega t + \phi)$ , where:

Now, differentiate  $I_s(t)$  with respect to time to find  $\frac{di}{dt}$ .

$$\frac{di}{dt} = I_0 \omega \cos(\omega t + \phi). \quad (6)$$

Now, substitute  $\frac{di}{dt}$  into the equation for voltage across the inductor:

$$V_s = L \frac{di}{dt} \quad (7)$$

$$= LI_0 \omega \cos(\omega t + \phi). \quad (8)$$

Express the cosine term using Euler's formula:

$$\cos(\theta) = \frac{e^{j\theta} + e^{-j\theta}}{2}. \quad (9)$$

Substitute this into the equation:

$$V_s = LI_0\omega \left( \frac{e^{j(\omega t + \phi)} + e^{-j(\omega t + \phi)}}{2} \right). \quad (10)$$

Simplify further:

$$V_s = j\omega LI_0 \sin(\omega t + \phi). \quad (11)$$

$$V_s = j\omega LI_s. \quad (12)$$

$$V_s = sLI_s. \quad (13)$$

The voltage across resistor is :

By Ohm's Law, we know that  $V = IR$ . So, the voltage across a resistor ( $V_R$ ) is given by  $I_s \cdot R$ . In mathematical form:

$$V_R = I_s \cdot R \quad (14)$$

$$(15)$$

So, the quality factor from (13) and (15) is :

$$Q = \left( \frac{V_L}{V_R} \right)_{\omega_0} = \frac{|sLI(s)|}{|RI(s)|} \quad (16)$$

$$\Rightarrow Q = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}} \frac{L}{R} \quad (17)$$

$$\Rightarrow Q = \frac{1}{R} \sqrt{\frac{L}{C}} \quad (18)$$

The voltage transfer function after substituting the values in the (1) :

$$\frac{V(s)}{I(s)} = 10 + 2s + \frac{1}{32 \times 10^{-6}s} \quad (19)$$

$$H(s) = 10 + 2s + \frac{1}{32 \times 10^{-6}s} \quad (20)$$

The resonant frequency of the circuit from (5) :

$$\omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2 \text{ H} \times 32 \mu\text{F}}} = 125 \text{ rad/s} \quad (21)$$

The resonant frequency is 125 rad/s.

The Quality factor of the circuit from (18) :

$$Q = \frac{1}{10} \sqrt{\frac{2}{32 \times 10^{-6}}} = \frac{1}{40 \times 10^{-3}} = 25 \quad (22)$$

Therefore, the quality factor of the LCR circuit is 25.

Plot the amplitude of the transfer function w.r.t omega :

$$H(s) = R + sL + \frac{1}{sC} \quad (23)$$

$$\Rightarrow H(j\omega) = R + j\omega L + \frac{1}{j\omega C} \quad (24)$$

$$\Rightarrow |H(j\omega)| = \sqrt{R^2 + \left( \omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C} \right)^2} \quad (25)$$

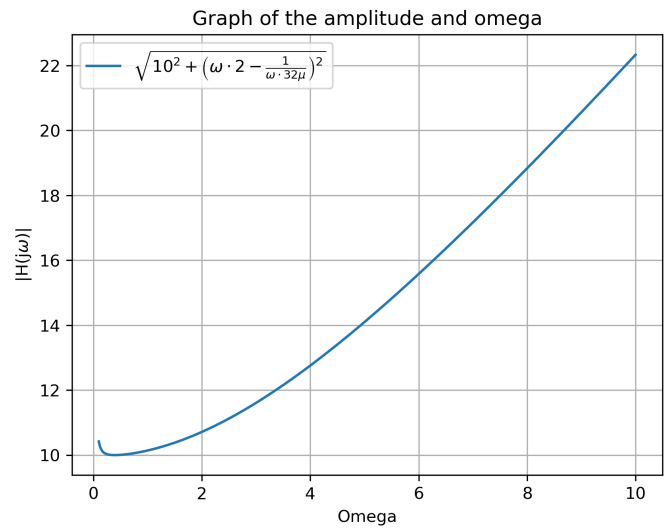


Fig. 3. Impedance vs  $\omega$