



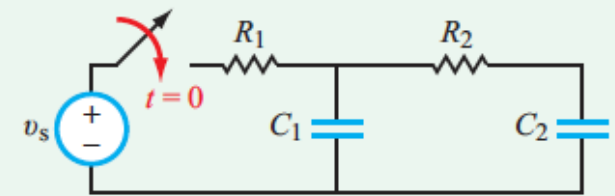
# Lecture 6

## - Second-Order Circuits

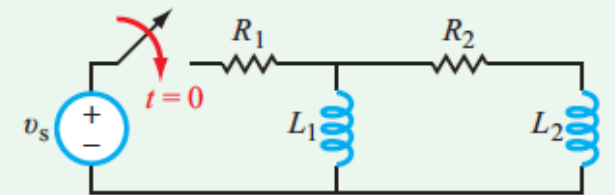


# Second-Order Circuits

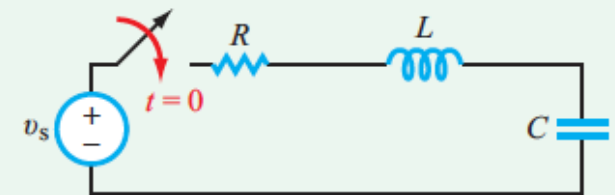
- **Two** energy storage elements
- **Analysis:** basically determine voltage or current as a function of time
- A second-order circuit is characterized by a second-order differential equation.



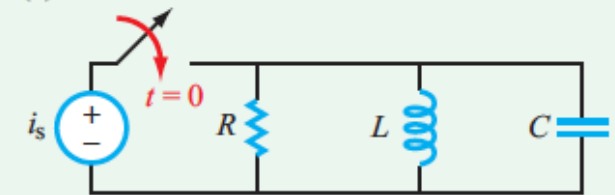
(a) 2 capacitors



(b) 2 inductors



(c) Series RLC



(d) Parallel RLC

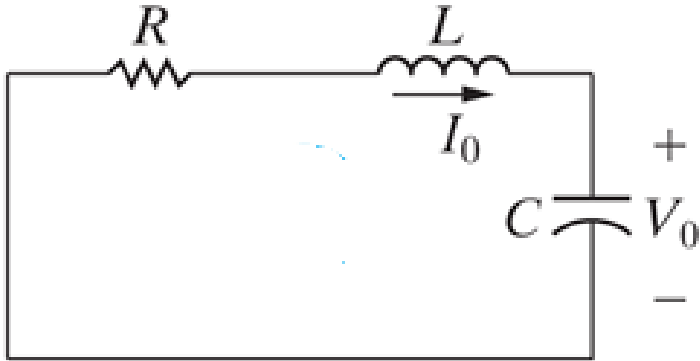


# Outline

- Natural Response Series/Parallel RLC circuit  
*Source-free*
- Step Response of a Series/Parallel RLC Circuit  
*With Independent Source*
- General 2<sup>nd</sup>-order circuits



# Source-Free Series RLC Circuit

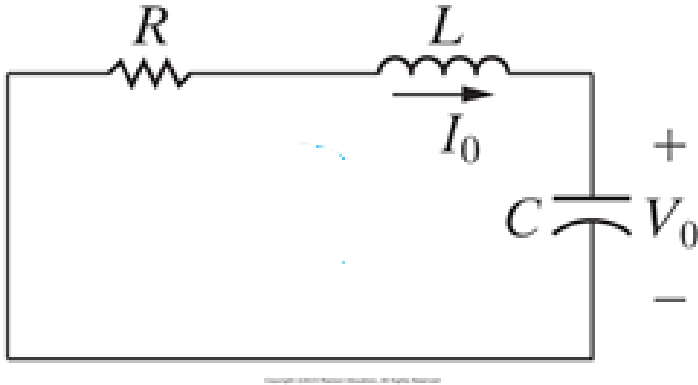


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# Source-Free Series RLC Circuit



$$\frac{d^2 v}{dt^2} + \frac{R}{L} \frac{dv}{dt} + \frac{1}{LC} v = 0$$

$$s^2 + \frac{R}{L} s + \frac{1}{LC} = 0$$

$$s = -\frac{R}{2L} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{R}{2L}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{LC}}$$



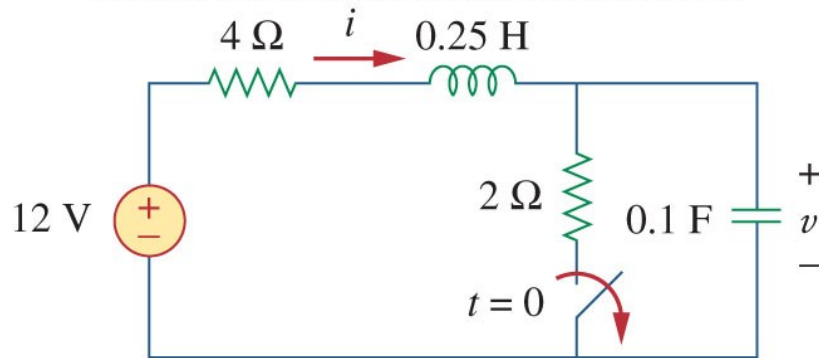
## Example

- The switch has been closed for a long time. It is open at  $t = 0$ . Find

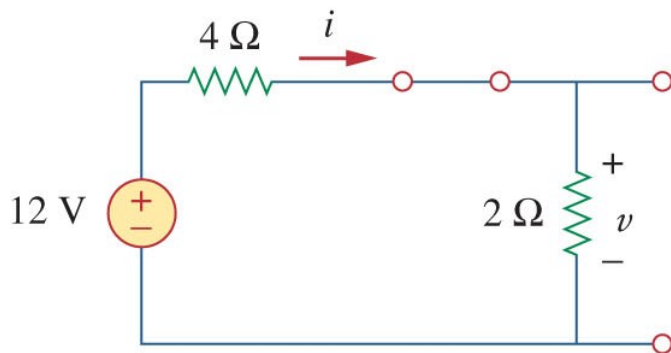
- $v(0^+), dv(0^+)/dt$

- $i(0^+), di(0^+)/dt$

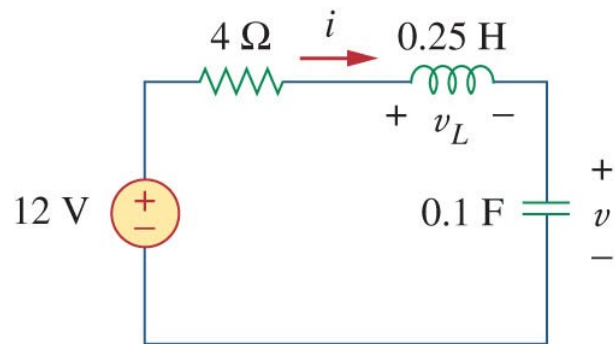
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(a)



(b)



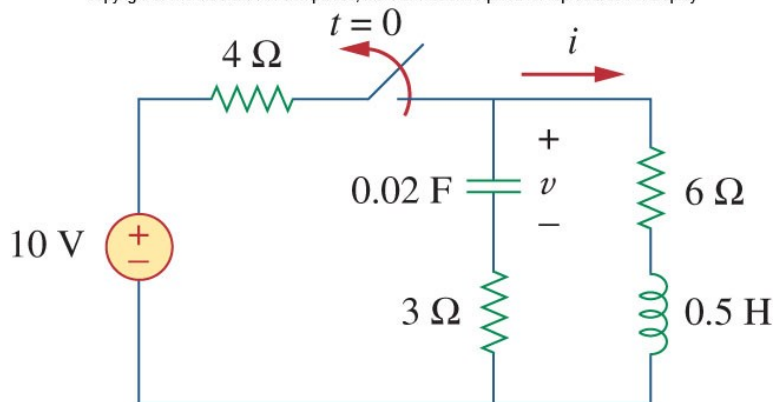
## Exercise

- Assume the circuit has reached steady state at  $t = 0^-$ .

Find

- $v(0^+), dv(0^+)/dt$
- $i(0^+), di(0^+)/dt$

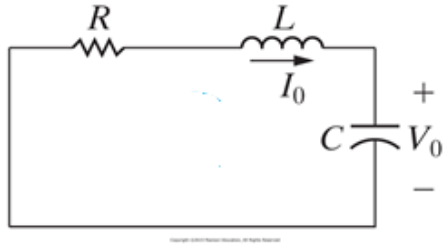
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## Case 1: Overdamped ( $\alpha > \omega_0$ )



$$\frac{d^2 v}{dt^2} + \frac{R}{L} \frac{dv}{dt} + \frac{1}{LC} v = 0$$

$$s = -\frac{R}{2L} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{R}{2L}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{LC}}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{R}{2L} \quad \omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$$

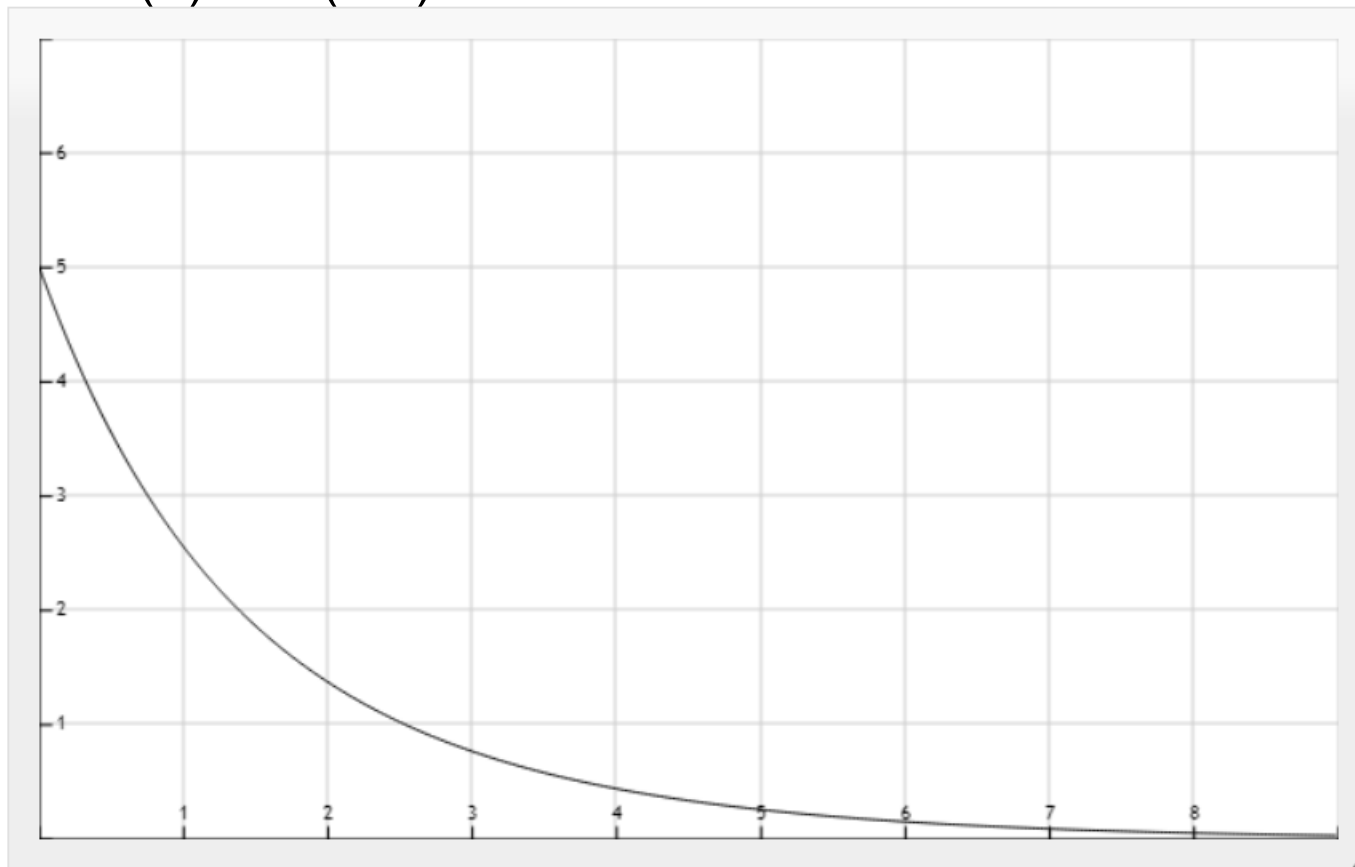
$$s_1 = -\alpha + \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_o^2} \quad s_2 = -\alpha - \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_o^2}$$

$$v(t) = A_1 e^{s_1 t} + A_2 e^{s_2 t}$$



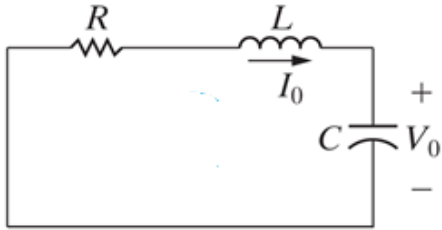
## An example

$$V_c = 2e^{-t} + 3e^{-t/2}$$





## Case 2: Critically Damped ( $\alpha = \omega_0$ )



$$\frac{d^2 v}{dt^2} + \frac{R}{L} \frac{dv}{dt} + \frac{1}{LC} v = 0 \quad s = -\frac{R}{2L} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{R}{2L}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{LC}}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{R}{2L} \quad \omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$$

$$s_1 = -\alpha + \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_o^2} \quad s_2 = -\alpha - \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_o^2}$$

$$s_1 = s_2 = -\alpha = -\frac{R}{2L}$$



## Case 2: Critically Damped ( $\alpha=\omega_0$ )

$$v(t) = (A_1 t + A_2)e^{-\alpha t}$$



## Case 3: Underdamped ( $\alpha < \omega_0$ )

$$\frac{d^2 v}{dt^2} + \frac{R}{L} \frac{dv}{dt} + \frac{1}{LC} v = 0$$

$$\alpha = \frac{R}{2L} \quad \omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$$

$$s = -\alpha \pm \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_0^2}$$

$$s_1 = -\alpha + \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_0^2} = -\alpha + \sqrt{-(\omega_0^2 - \alpha^2)} = -\alpha + j\omega_d$$

$$s_2 = -\alpha - \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_0^2} = -\alpha - \sqrt{-(\omega_0^2 - \alpha^2)} = -\alpha - j\omega_d$$

where  $j = \sqrt{-1}$  and  $\omega_d = \sqrt{\omega_0^2 - \alpha^2}$ .

- $\omega_0$  is often called the resonant frequency;
- $\omega_d$  is called the damping frequency.

The natural response

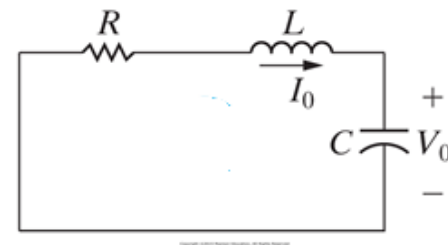
$$v(t) = A_1 e^{s_1 t} + A_2 e^{s_2 t}$$

becomes

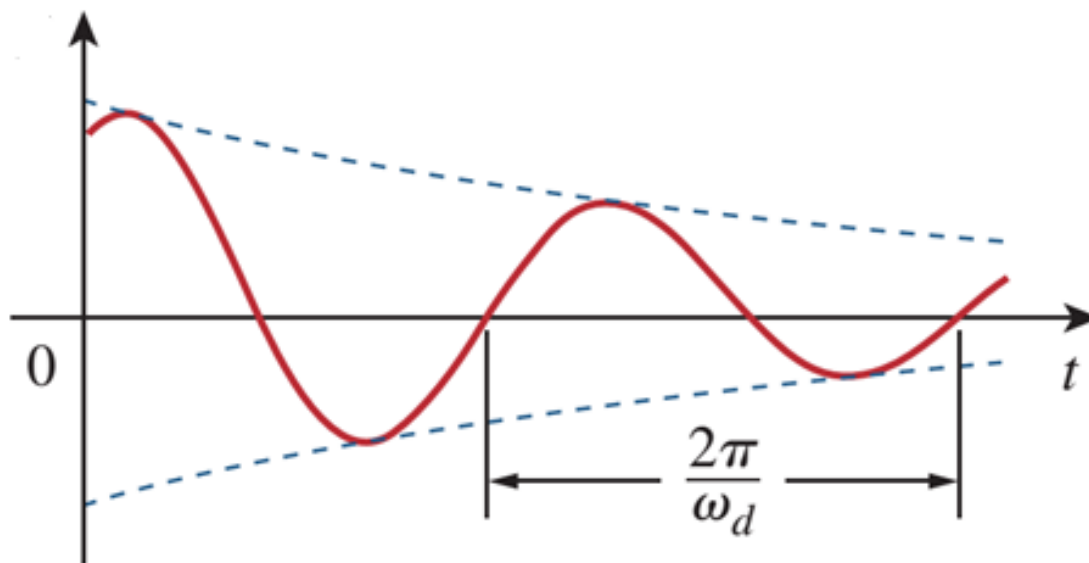
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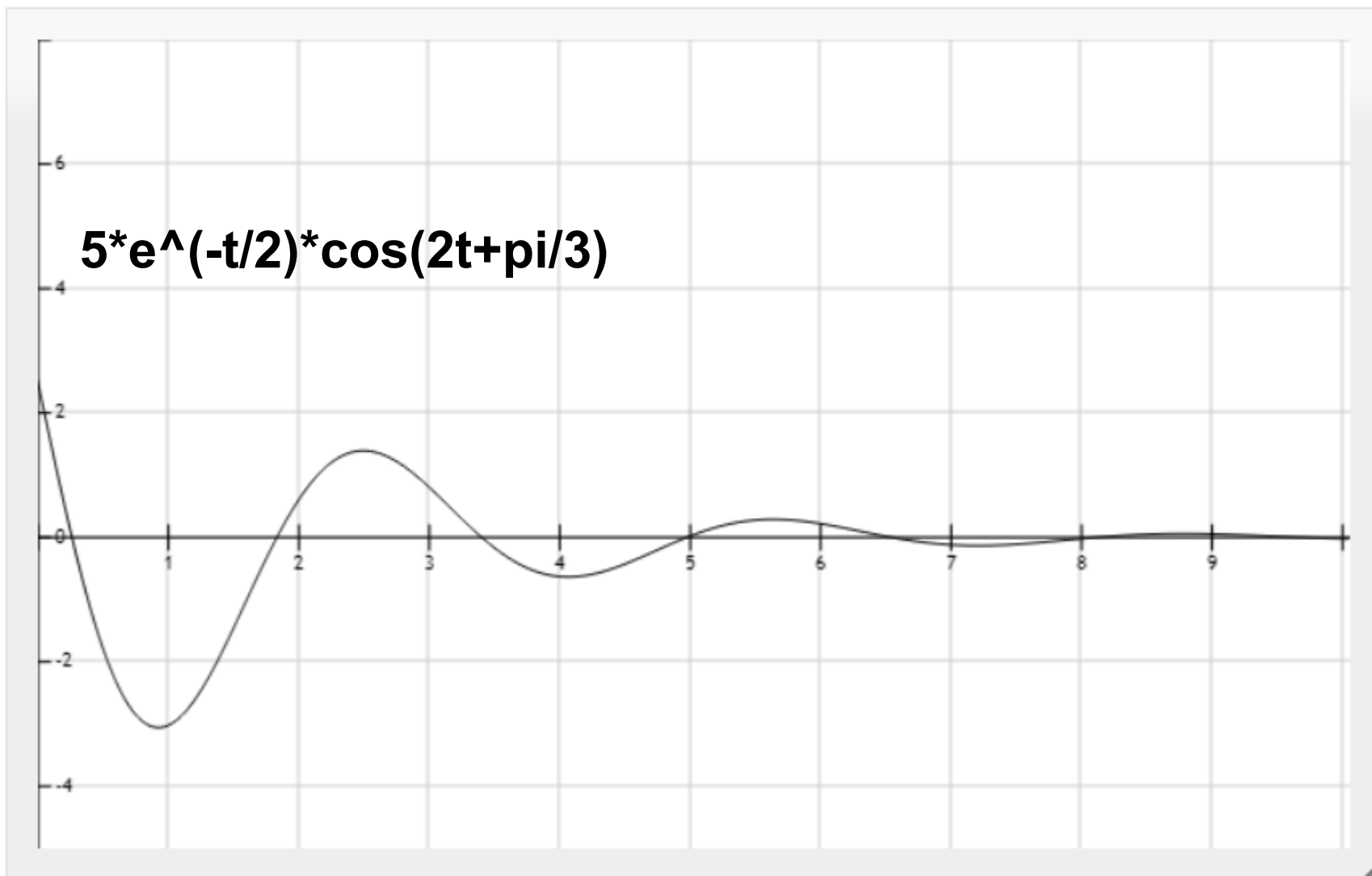


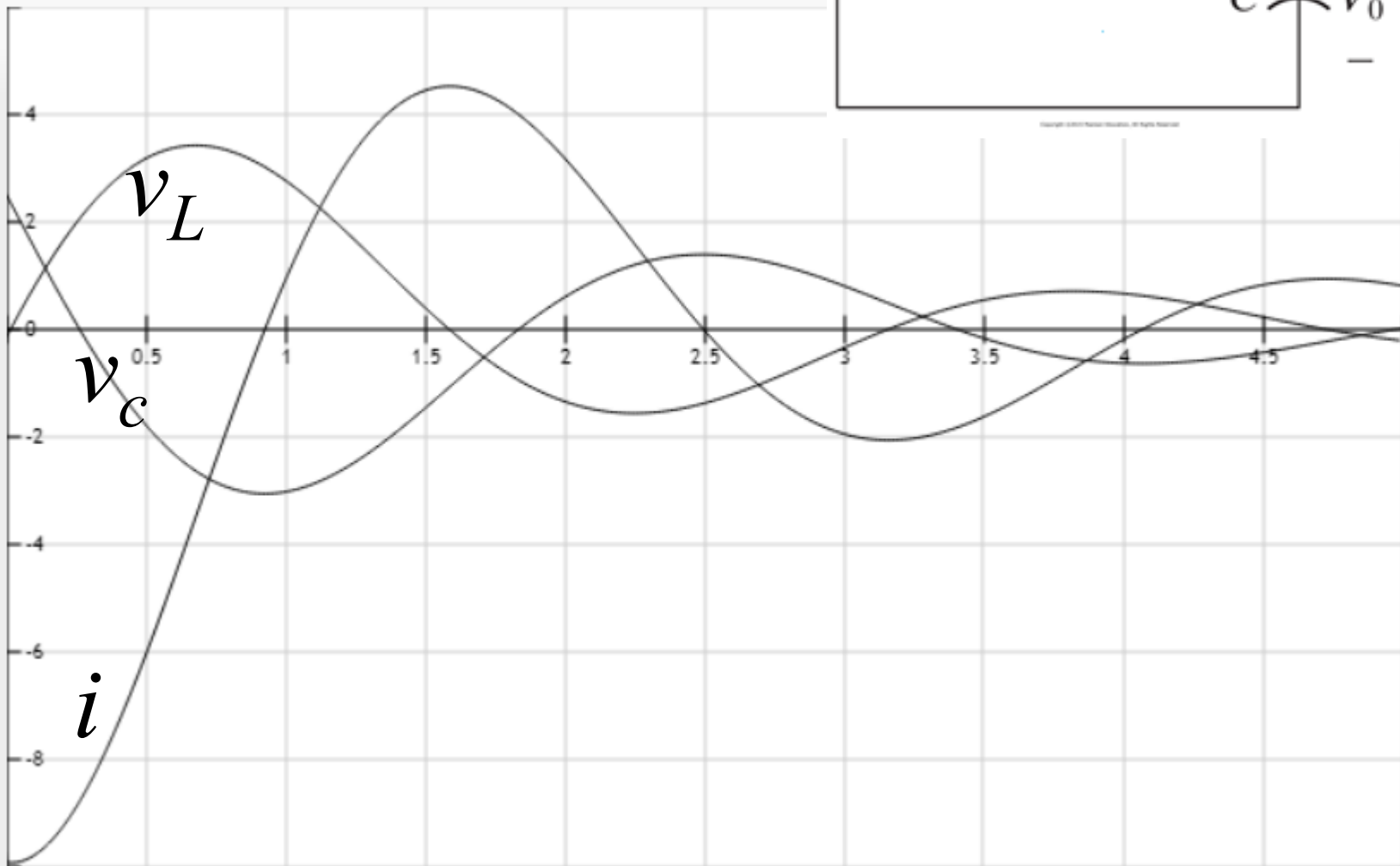
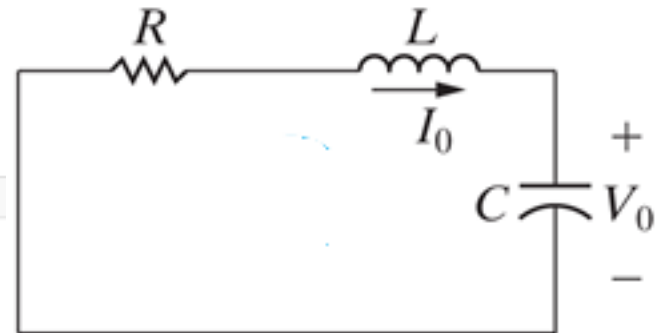
- Exponential  $e^{-\alpha t}$  \* Sine/Cosine term
  - Exponentially damped, time constant =  $1/\alpha$
  - Oscillatory, period  $T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega_d}$





# Example







# Properties of Series RLC Network - $v(t)$

- Behavior captured by damping
  - Gradual **loss** of the initial stored energy
  - $\alpha$  determines the rate of damping

$$\alpha = \frac{R}{2L} \quad \omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$$

- $\alpha > \omega_0$  , overdamped

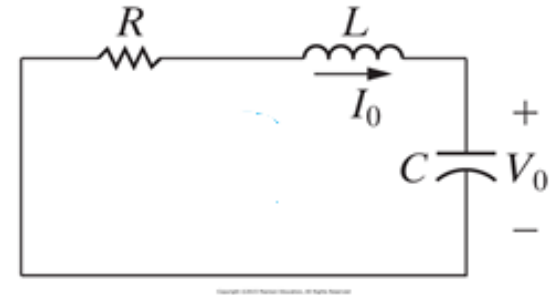
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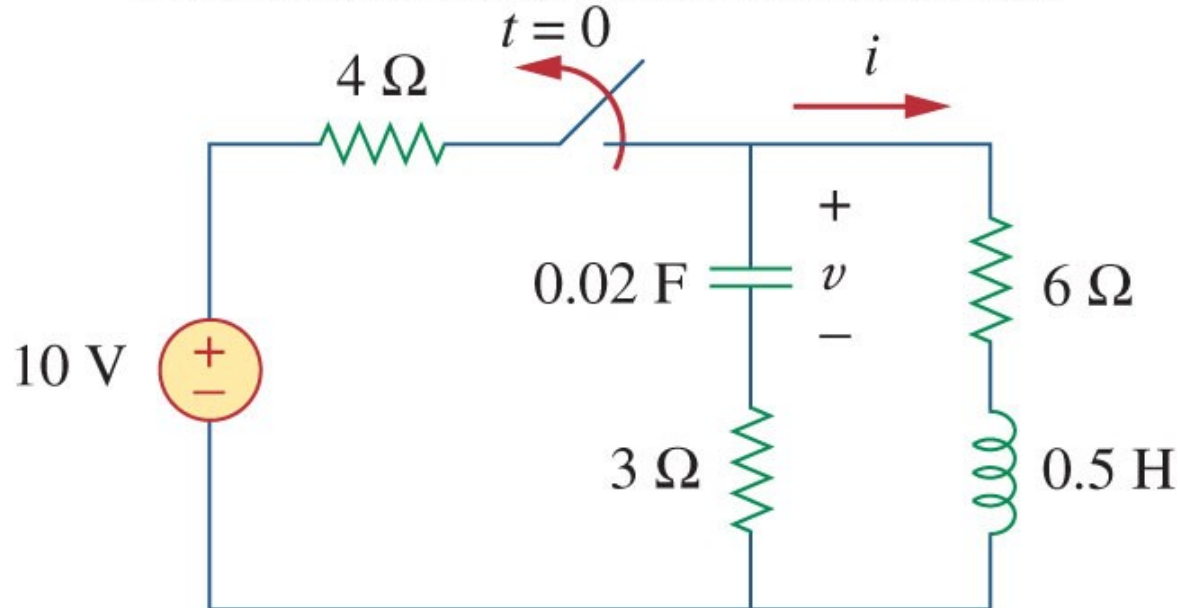




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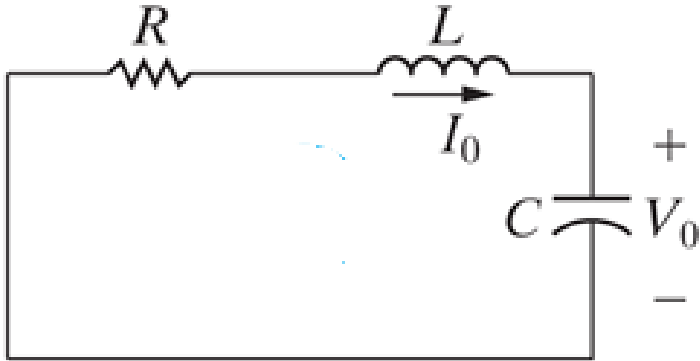
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# Source-Free Series RLC Circuit



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# Properties of Series RLC Network - $i(t)$

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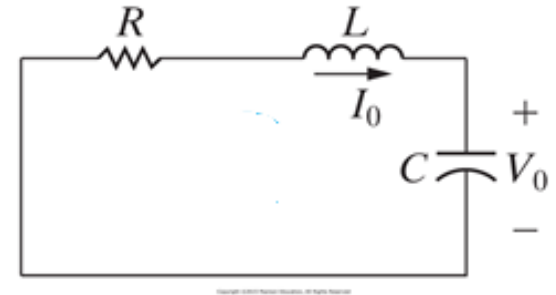
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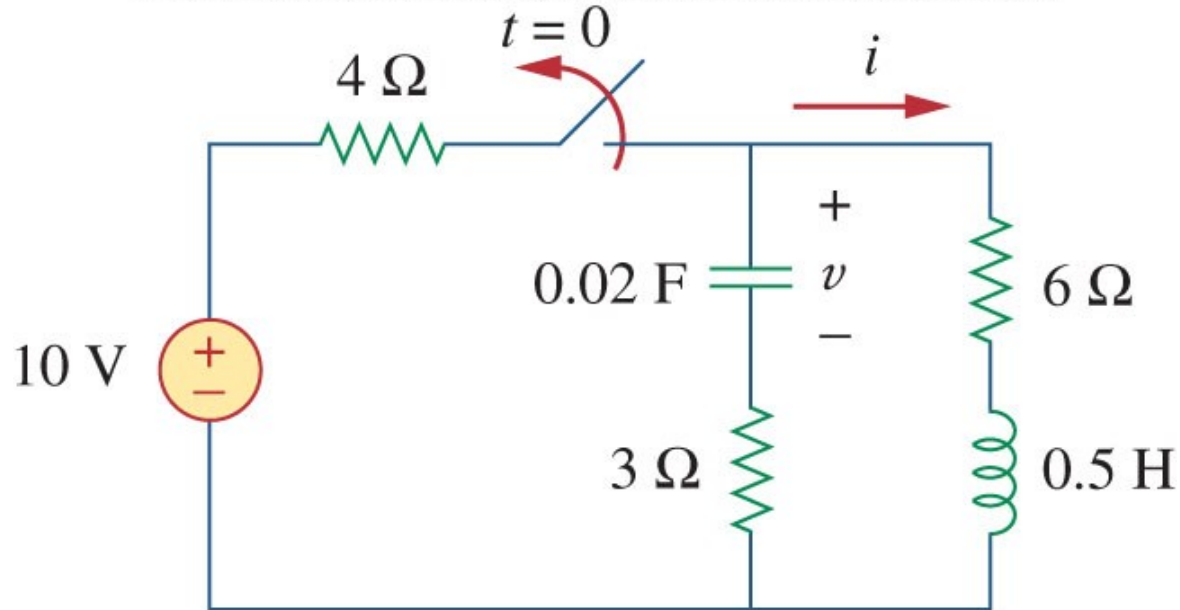




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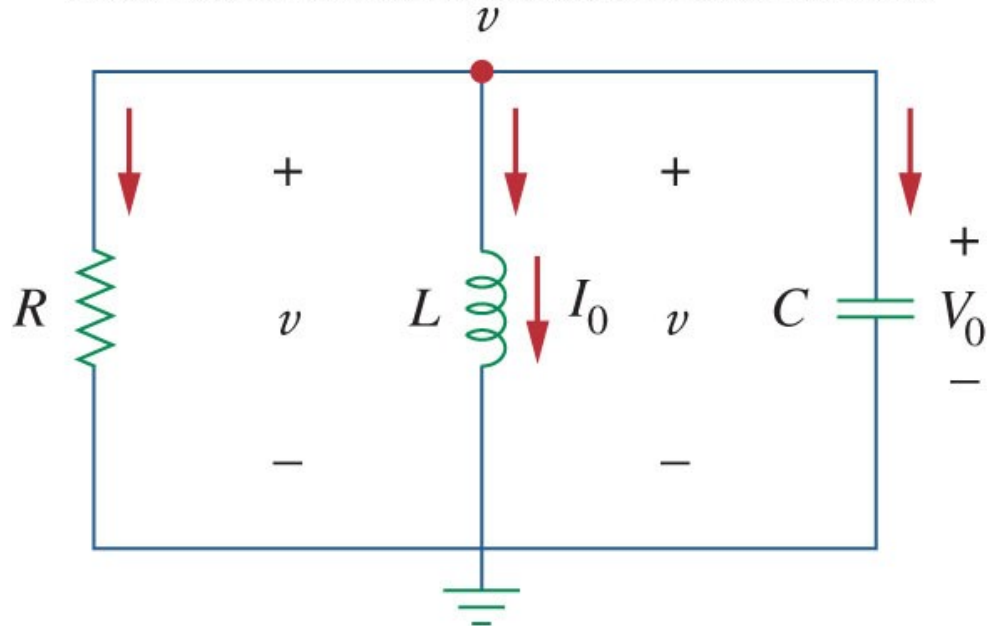
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# Source-Free Parallel RLC Network

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## Source-Free Parallel RLC Network - $v(t)$

$$\frac{d^2v}{dt^2} + \frac{1}{RC} \frac{dv}{dt} + \frac{1}{LC} v = 0$$

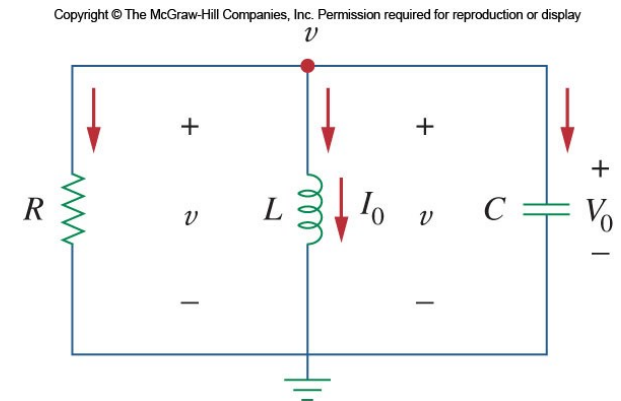
- The characteristic equation is:

$$s^2 + \frac{1}{RC} s + \frac{1}{LC} = 0$$

From this, we can find the roots of the characteristic equation to be:

$$s_{1,2} = -\alpha \pm \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_0^2}$$
$$\alpha = \frac{1}{2RC} \quad \omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$$

As in last time, there are three scenarios to consider.





## Three Damping Cases - $v(t)$

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- For the overdamped case, the roots are real and negative,

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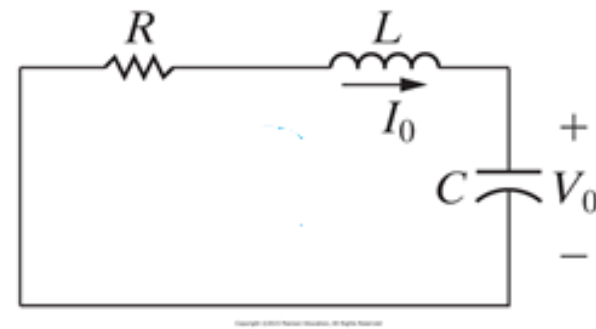
# Series vs. Parallel (Source-Free RLC Circuit)

- Series  $\alpha = \frac{R}{2L} \quad \omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$

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- Parallel  $\alpha = \frac{1}{2RC} \quad \omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$

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