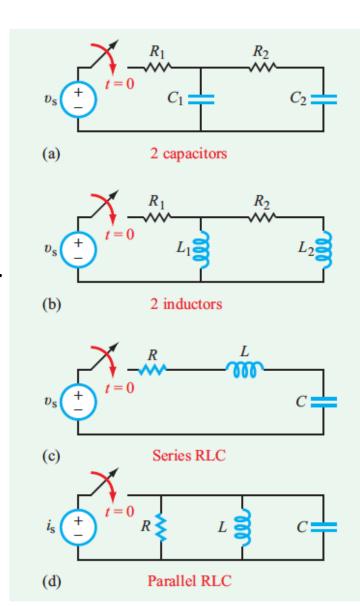
# Lecture 6

- 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.



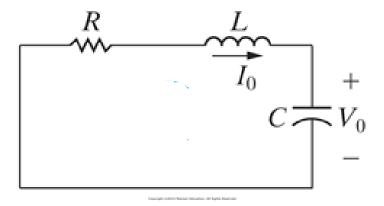
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#### **Outline**

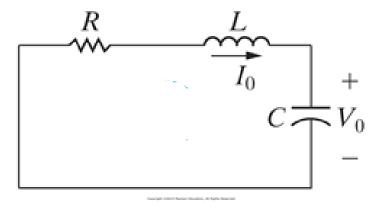
- Natural Response Series/Parallel RLC circuit Source-free
- Step Response of a Series/Parallel RLC Circuit
   With Independent Source
- General 2<sup>nd</sup>-order circuits

### **Source-Free Series RLC Circuit**





#### Source-Free Series RLC Circuit



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

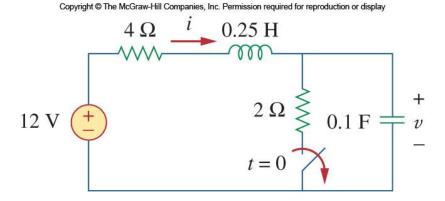
$$s^2 + \frac{R}{L}s + \frac{1}{LC} = 0$$

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

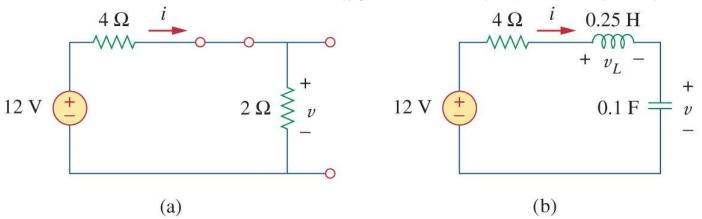


## **Example**

- The switch has been closed for a long time. It is open at t=0. Find
  - $v(0^+), i(0^+)$
  - $dv(0^+)/dt$
  - $-di(0^+)/dt$



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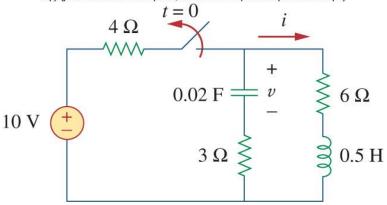




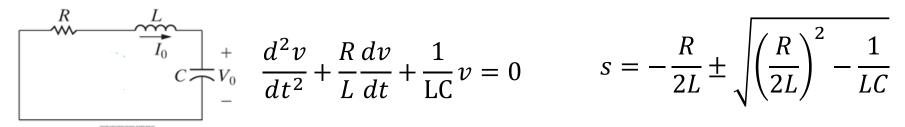
#### **Exercise**

- 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 $(\alpha > \omega_0)$



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

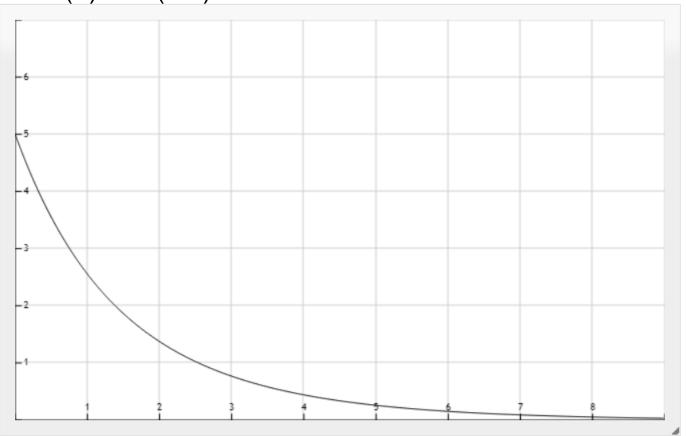
$$\alpha = \frac{R}{2L} \quad \omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}} \qquad \qquad s_1 = -\alpha + \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_o^2} \qquad s_2 = -\alpha - \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_o^2}$$

$$v(t) = A_1 e^{S_1 t} + A_2 e^{S_2 t}$$

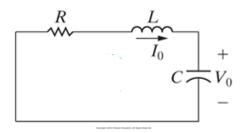


## An example

 $V_c$ = 2e^(-t)+3e^(-t/2)



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



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

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

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

$$v(t) = (A_1t + A_2)e^{-\alpha t}$$

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

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

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

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

$$s_{1} = -\alpha + \sqrt{\alpha^{2} - \omega_{0}^{2}} = -\alpha + \sqrt{-(\omega_{0}^{2} - \alpha^{2})} = -\alpha + j\omega_{d}$$

$$s_{2} = -\alpha - \sqrt{\alpha^{2} - \omega_{0}^{2}} = -\alpha - \sqrt{-(\omega_{0}^{2} - \alpha^{2})} = -\alpha - j\omega_{d}$$

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

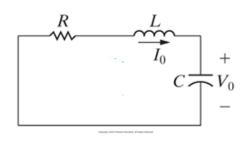


#### The natural response

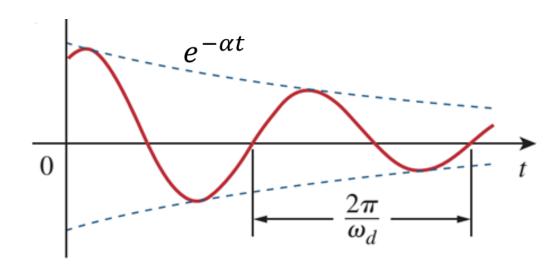
$$v(t) = A_1 e^{s_1 t} + A_2 e^{s_2 t}$$

#### becomes

$$v(t) = e^{-\alpha t} (B_1 \cos \omega_d t + B_2 \sin \omega_d t)$$

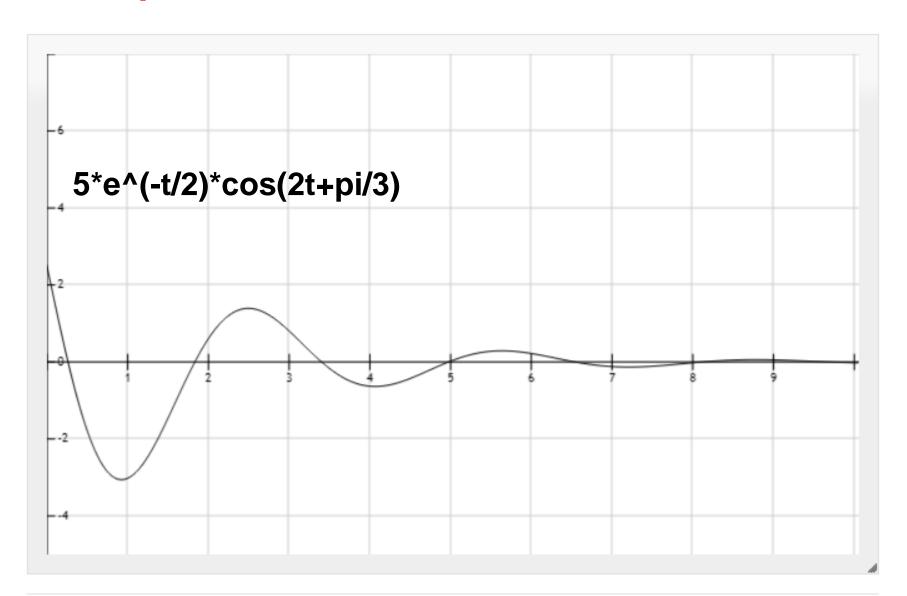


- Exponential  $e^{-\alpha t}$  \* Sine/Cosine term
  - Exponentially damped, time constant =  $1/\alpha$
  - •Oscillatory, period  $T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega_d}$

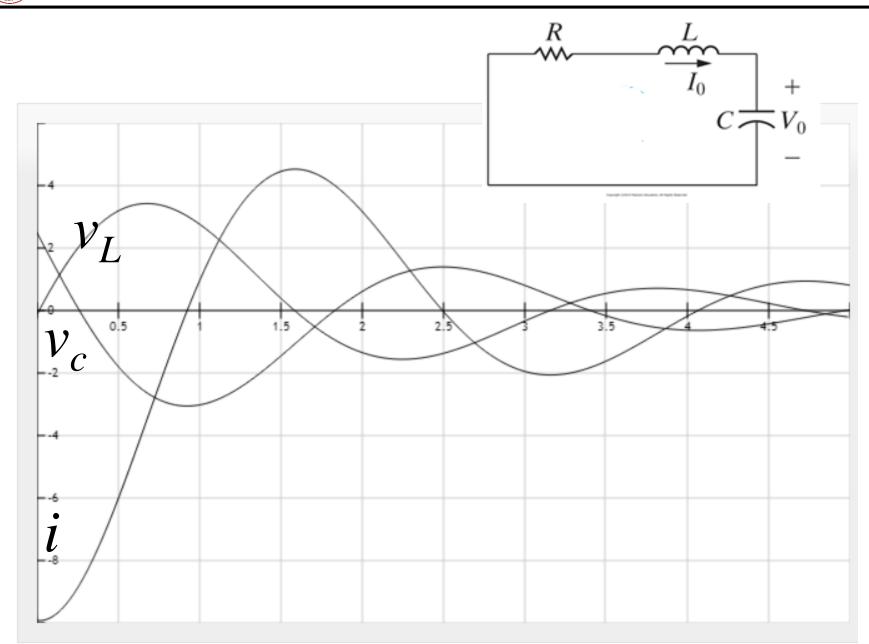




# **Example**



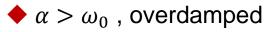
#### Electric Circuits (Fall 2024)



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

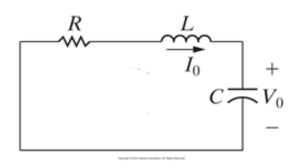
- Behavior captured by <u>damping</u>
  - Gradual loss of the initial stored energy
  - $\alpha$  determines the rate of damping

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



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

- $\bullet$   $\alpha = \omega_0$ , critically damped  $v(t) = (A_1t + A_2)e^{-\alpha t}$
- $\bullet$   $\alpha < \omega_0$ , underdamped  $v(t) = e^{-\alpha t} (B_1 \cos \omega_d t + B_2 \sin \omega_d t)$





## **Example**

• Find  $\mathbf{v}(t)$  in the circuit below. Assume the circuit has reached steady state at  $t=0^-$ .

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