



MECH-3221 Control Theory

Homework 8

Instructions

- Make sure the name and student number for this homework are yours, if not contact your course instructor immediately.
- This evaluation covers **material from the eighth week of classes**.
- Note that each student has a different version, so do not try to copy from one another as it would cost you both mark and risk of plagiarism.
- If asked, write all the steps involved and all the equations used. Final answer **≠** full mark!
- This evaluation **is not** strictly multiple-choice
- Be cautious of the **time cues**.
- If this is not a strictly multiple-choice evaluation
 - a) For qualitative questions, write down the key points, illustrate key concepts, and be concise.
 - b) Make sure to sectionalize your answers referring to question elements and put your final answer for each section in a box.
 - c) You need to either print this document, complete writing your solution and scan the material back to PDF and upload it or use a tablet or any other device that allows you to write on PDF files, save it and upload it. If neither is possible, you can only scan your solution pages and upload. For multiple choice questions, on your answer sheet, mention the question number and your choice for the question.
 - d) The filename to upload must follow the “Lastname_firstname_XX.pdf” where XX is the last 2 digits of your student number and your name as shown on top of this page.
- All submissions must be electronic, no other submission format is accepted.
- Late submission is not accepted and will get a mark of ZERO.

Evaluation

Questions are graded based on the rubrics

**Question 1 [4 marks] [20 minutes] [LO. 4]**

The LC circuit shown in Figure 1 is connected to an antenna and is the basic circuit component used in electrical oscillators and frequency tuners. The system parameters are $L = 3 \text{ mH}$ and $C = 20 \mu\text{F}$. At time $t = 0^-$ the capacitor is charged and its voltage is $e_C(0) = 2.5 \text{ V}$, the switch is open, and there is no current in the circuit. At time $t = 0$ the switch is closed.

a) Derive a mathematical model of the LC circuit where capacitor voltage e_C is the sole dynamic variable (the capacitor is storing a charge and hence a voltage at time $t = 0$). **[2 marks]**

b) Use the equation in part (a) and Laplace transform methods to obtain the capacitor voltage $e_C(t)$. Note that you must use the standard Laplace transform table to obtain the solution of this part. **[2 marks]**

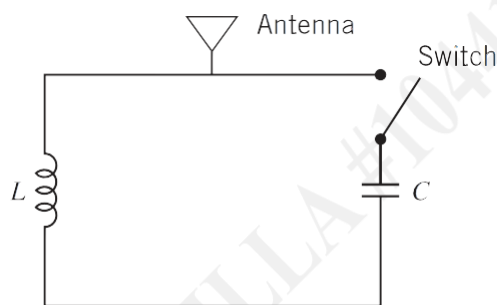
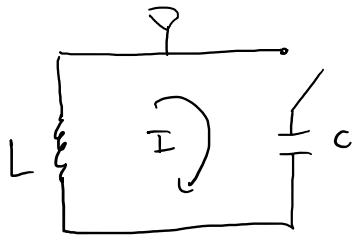


Figure 1 Schematics of the LC circuit

You are required to show all the steps involved in finding your final answer, even the smallest details. Make sure in your final answer, all numerical values are substituted and equations are simplified to the simplest form.

Solution

Provide your step by step solution here. Note that only providing the correct final answer does not guarantee a full mark for the question!



$$L = 3 \text{ mH}$$

$$C = 20 \text{ }\mu\text{F}$$

$$e_c(0) = 2.5 \text{ V}$$

$$-e_L - e_C = e_C(0)$$

$$C \dot{e}_C = I_L$$

$$e_L = L \dot{I}_L = L \frac{d}{dt} (C \dot{e}_C)$$

$$e_L = LC \ddot{e}_C$$

$$LC \ddot{e}_C + e_C = 0$$

$$\ddot{e}_C + \frac{1}{LC} e_C = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b) } \mathcal{L}(\ddot{e}_C) &= s^2 e_C(s) - s e_C(0) - \dot{e}_C(0) \quad (8.6) \\ &= s^2 e_C(s) - 2.5 s \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\left(\frac{1}{LC} e_C\right) = \frac{1}{LC} e_C(s) \quad (8.3)$$

$$s^2 e_C(s) - 2.5 s + \frac{1}{LC} e_C(s) = 0$$

$$e_C(s) = \frac{2.5 s}{s^2 + 1/LC}$$

\Rightarrow Time Domain
via eq. 9

$$\frac{s}{s^2 + \omega^2} = \cos \omega t$$

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

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{1}{6 \times 10^{-6} \times 20 \times 10^{-6}}} = 4082.5$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}(e_C(s)) = 2.5 \cos \omega t$$

$$= 2.5 \cos(4082.5 t)$$