
EE1101: Circuits and Network Analysis

Lecture 28: Second-Order Circuits

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Topics :

1. Forced Response of Second-Order Circuits
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Example (contd.)

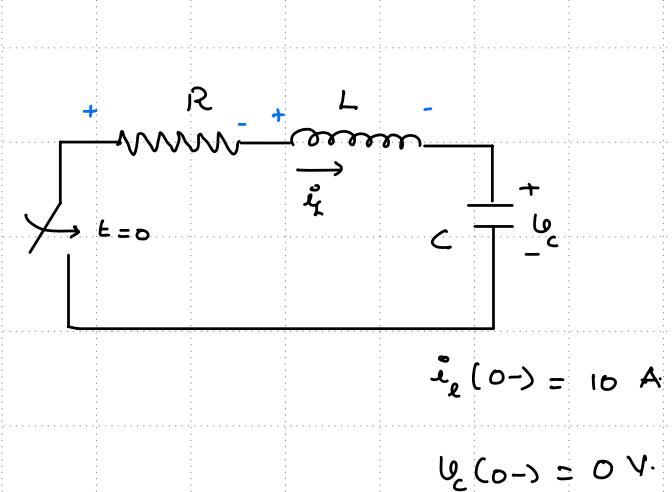
$$R\dot{i}(t) + L \frac{d\dot{i}}{dt} + \frac{1}{C} \int \dot{i} dt = 0 \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

Step ① → diff ① w.r.t. $t \Rightarrow \frac{d^2\dot{i}}{dt^2} + \frac{R}{L} \frac{d\dot{i}}{dt} + \frac{1}{LC} \dot{i}(t) = 0 \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$

Initial Cond: $\dot{i}_e(0) = 10 \text{ A}$

Step ②: $\left. \frac{d\dot{i}_e}{dt} \right|_{t=0} = \frac{\dot{v}_L(t=0)}{L} = -\frac{v_R(t=0) - v_c(0)}{L}$

$$= -\frac{10R}{L}$$



Step ③: Nature of the Complementary Sol: Compare with standard 2nd order ODE

$$\omega_n^2 = \frac{1}{LC} \Rightarrow \omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{1}{LC}}$$

$$2\xi\omega_n = \frac{R}{L} \Rightarrow \xi = \frac{R}{2} \sqrt{\frac{C}{L}}$$

If $\xi > 1$: $x(t) = c_1 e^{\xi t} + c_2 e^{\xi_2 t}$ where ξ_2 is the other root of $s^2 + 2\xi\omega_n s + \omega_n^2 = 0$

$\xi = 1$: $x(t) = c_1 e^{\xi t} + c_2 t e^{\xi t}$ where ξ is the repeated root of $s^2 + 2\xi\omega_n s + \omega_n^2 = 0$

$0 \leq \xi < 1$: $x(t) = 2c_1 e^{-\xi\omega_n t} \cos(\omega_n t + \theta)$ where $\xi = -\xi\omega_n \pm j\omega_d$

$\xi = 0$: $x(t) = 2c_1 \cos(\omega_n t + \theta)$

Example (contd.)

Case A: $R = 30\Omega$, $L = 10H$, $C = 0.1F$.

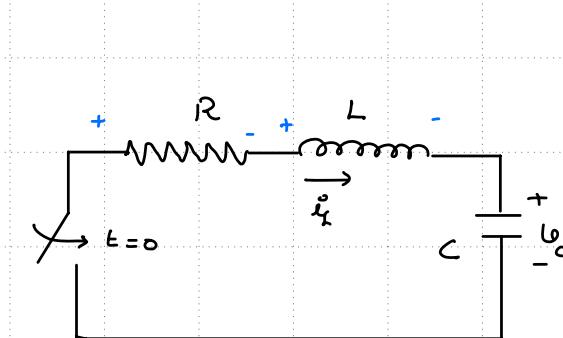
$$\omega_n = 1 \text{ rad/s} \quad \xi = \frac{30}{20} = 1.5 > 1$$

$$\text{characteristic Eqn: } s^2 + 3s + 1 = 0.$$

$$\text{roots are } s_1 = \frac{-3 + \sqrt{5}}{2}, \quad s_2 = \frac{-3 - \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$\approx -0.4, \approx -2.6$$

$$\text{gen sol } i(t) = C_1 e^{-0.4t} + C_2 e^{-2.6t}$$



$$i(0+) = 10 \text{ A}$$

$$v_c(0+) = 0 \text{ V.}$$

Step ④: apply I.C. to get final sol $i(0) = 10A = C_1 + C_2$

$$\left. \frac{di}{dt} \right|_{t=0} = -0.4C_1 - 2.6C_2 = -10(R/L) = -30.$$

$$C_2 = 130/\text{II} \text{ and } C_1 = -20/\text{II}$$

$$i(t) = -20/\text{II} e^{-0.4t} + 130/\text{II} e^{-2.6t}.$$

Example (contd.)

Case B: $R = 10 \Omega$, $L = 10 \text{ H}$, $C = 0.1 \text{ F}$.

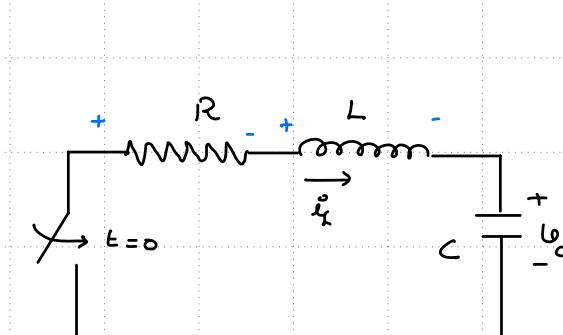
$$\omega_n = 1 \text{ rad/s} \quad \xi = \frac{10}{20} = 0.5 \quad (\text{K1})$$

$$\text{characteristic eqn: } s^2 + s + 1 = 0.$$

$$\text{roots are } = -\xi\omega_n \pm j\omega_d.$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \pm j\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = \underbrace{-\frac{1}{2}}_{\omega_d} \pm j\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\text{gen sol } i(t) = 2\pi e^{-0.5t} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t + \theta\right)$$



$$i_e(0+) = 10 \text{ A}$$

$$u_c(0+) = 0 \text{ V.}$$

Step ④: apply I.C. to get final sol

$$i(0) = 10 \text{ A} = 2\pi \cos\theta \rightarrow \textcircled{I}$$

$$\left. \frac{di}{dt} \right|_{t=0} = -\omega \cos\theta - \sqrt{3}\pi \sin\theta = -10R_L = -10 \rightarrow \textcircled{II}$$

Solve \textcircled{I} & \textcircled{II} to get ω and θ . ξ then the

final sol.

Solution of Second-Order Differential Equations

Solve $\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + 2\xi\omega_n \frac{dx}{dt} + \omega_n^2 x = f(t) \rightarrow ①$

$\hookrightarrow A \cos(\omega t + \phi)$ or $A \sin(\omega t + \phi)$

$$\hat{x} : \frac{d^2\hat{x}}{dt^2} + 2\xi\omega_n \frac{d\hat{x}}{dt} + \omega_n^2 \hat{x} = Ae^{j(\omega t + \phi)} \rightarrow ②$$

Sol of ① $x(t) = \text{Re}\{\hat{x}(t)\}$ if $f(t)$ is cos.

= $\text{Im}\{\hat{x}(t)\}$ if $f(t)$ is sin

Complementary

$$\text{Sol} \quad \hat{x} = \hat{x}_c(t) + \hat{x}_p(t) \quad \leftarrow \text{Particular sol}$$

\hookrightarrow Sol to $\frac{d^2\hat{x}}{dt^2} + 2\xi\omega_n \frac{d\hat{x}}{dt} + \omega_n^2 \hat{x} = 0$. \rightarrow can be computed by solving CG & adopting the process discussed

as $t \rightarrow \infty$, $x_c(t) \rightarrow 0$ unless $\xi = 0$.

$\hat{x}_p(t) \rightarrow$ 2 ways \hookrightarrow Guess the function from (v) for this course

\hookrightarrow Systematic approach (in Course on D-E and Transform Techniques)

Method of Undetermined Coefficients \rightarrow guess $\hat{x}_p(t)$

$$\hat{x}_p(t) = \Re e^{j(\omega t + \phi - \theta)}$$

\Re and θ are not known

$$(\text{for Complex exponential f(t)} = A e^{j(\omega t + \phi)})$$