

LC Tank with Resistance

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Abstract

The problem is to simulate the behaviour of a LC tank with a resistance applied across a voltage in series with given initial conditions of the charge in the capacitor and current in the inductor.

- Public git repo with open source code is available on https://github.com/vinodm24/sdes_project_1
- Ipython 2.3.0 is used to run the IPython notebook. So the version 2.3.0 or higher is preferable to run the notebook.
- numpy version 1.8.2 is used. So numpy version 1.8.2 or higher is preferred to run the code.
- matplotlib version 1.4.2 is used. So matplotlib version 1.4.2 or higher is preferred to run the code.
- ffmpeg is required for the animation to be saved in mp4 format. ffmpeg 2.7.6 was used for it. So, ffmpeg with version 2.7.6 or higher is preferable for running of the python script.

Governing Equation for the problem

The governing equation for this electrical problem is

$$\frac{d^2Q}{dt^2} + \frac{R}{L} \frac{dQ}{dt} + \frac{Q}{LC} = \frac{V}{C} \quad (1)$$

where Q is the charge in the capacitor varying with time, R is the resistance in the circuit, L is inductance of the inductor, C is the capacitance of the capacitor and V is the voltage of the source voltage under the initial conditions of $Q(0^+) = Q_0$ the initial charge in the capacitor and $\frac{dQ}{dt}(0^+) = i_0$, where initial inductor current is i_0 .

Solving this analytically for two cases of $\Delta = 0$ and $\Delta \neq 0$ where $\Delta = \frac{R^2}{L^2} - \frac{4}{LC}$

$\Delta = 0$:

The solution when $\Delta = 0$ under the given initial conditions is:

$$Q(t) = CV + e^{\frac{-2Lt}{R}}(C_1t + C_2) \quad (2)$$

where $C_1 = i_0 + \frac{R}{2L}(Q_0 - CV)$, $C_2 = (Q_0 - CV)$

$\Delta \neq 0$:

The solution when $\Delta \neq 0$ under the given initial conditions is:

$$Q(t) = CV + A_1 e^{s_1 t} + A_2 e^{s_2 t} \quad (3)$$

where $s_1 = \frac{-R}{2L} + \frac{\sqrt{\Delta}}{2}$, $s_2 = \frac{-R}{2L} - \frac{\sqrt{\Delta}}{2}$
 $A_1 = \frac{i_0 - (Q_0 - CV)s_2}{s_1 - s_2}$, $A_2 = \frac{i_0 - (Q_0 - CV)s_1}{s_2 - s_1}$

The results were plotted showing the voltage across all the elements of the circuit varying with time for three cases of damping.

Under Damped case

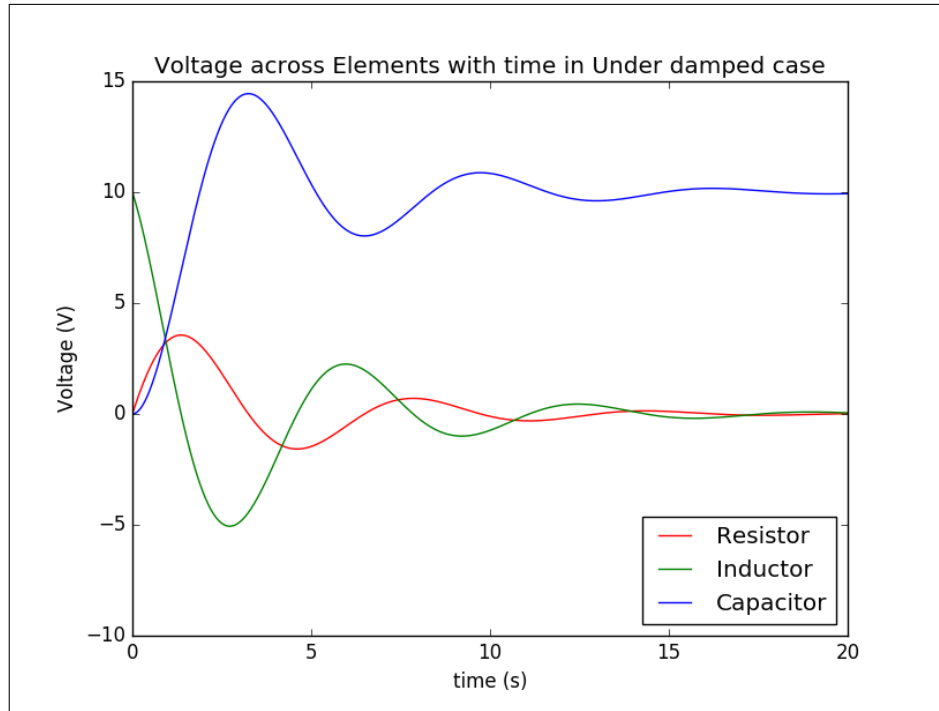


Figure 1: *Voltage vs time in Under damped case* ¹.

Critically Damped case

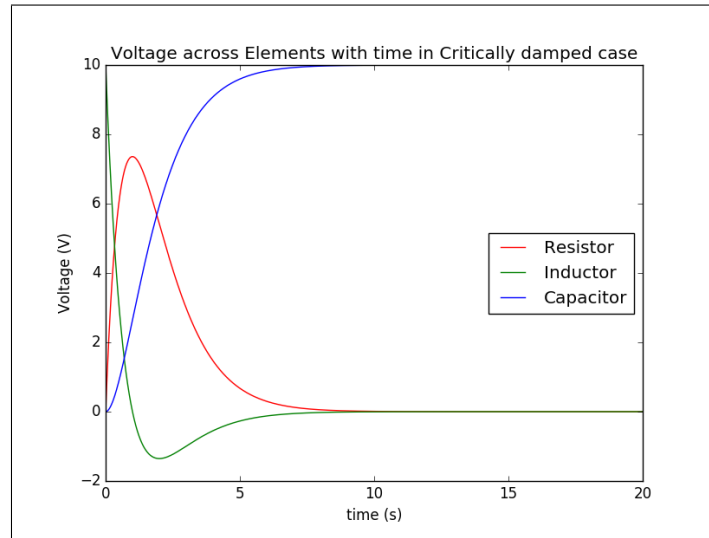


Figure 2: *Voltage vs time in Critically damped case*².

Over Damped case

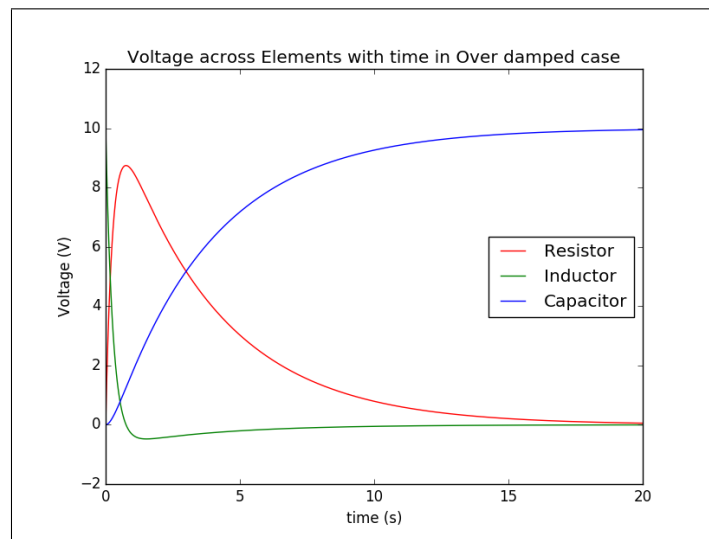


Figure 3: *Voltage vs time in over damped case*³.