# 1.6 Second-Order Transients

A circuit with both a capacitor and an inductor is like a mechanical system with both a mass and a spring. When there are two different types of energy-storage elements, the transient responses can be much more interesting than the simple exponential curves that we've seen so far. Many of these systems can oscillate or "ring" when a transient is applied. When you analyze a circuit with a capacitor and an inductor you get a second-order differential equation, so the transient voltages and currents are called second-order transients.

Series RLC circuit, traditional way: Look at the circuit at right. The same current flows through all three elements (i(t) or just i). That current will begin to flow after time t = 0, when the switch is closed. Using basic circuit laws:

$$V_{in} = v_R + v_L + v_C$$
  
=  $i \cdot R + L \frac{d}{dt} i + \frac{1}{C} \int_{-\infty}^{t} i_C dt$  Making the obvious substitutions.

The next step here would be to differentiate both sides of the equation, but we've been through this before with the RC circuit. If you're a little more clever, there's an easier way.

 $i = i_C = C \cdot \frac{d}{dt} v_C$ , to get  $V_{in} = R \cdot C \cdot \frac{d}{dt} v_C + L \cdot C \cdot \frac{d^2}{dt^2} v_C + v_C$ Make this substitution instead Rearrange this equation to get  $V_{in} = L C \cdot \frac{d^2}{dt^2} v_C + R \cdot C \cdot \frac{d}{dt} v_C + v_C$  and  $\frac{V_{in}}{L \cdot C} = \frac{d^2}{dt^2} v_C + \frac{R \cdot C}{L \cdot C} \cdot \frac{d}{dt} v_C + \frac{1}{L \cdot C} \cdot v_C$ 

This is the classical second-order differential equation and it is solved just like the first-order differential equation, by guessing a solution of the right form and then finding the particulars of that solution.

 $v_{C}(t) = A + B \cdot e^{s \cdot t}$ Standard differential equation answer: Note: It will turn out that there will be two And again:  $\frac{d^2}{dt^2} v_C = B \cdot s^2 \cdot e^{s \cdot t}$  $\frac{V_{\text{in}}}{V_{\text{in}}} = \frac{d^2}{dt^2} V_{\text{C}} + \frac{R}{L} \frac{d}{dt} V_{\text{C}} + \frac{1}{L \cdot C} V_{\text{C}}$ Substitute these back into the original equation: =  $\mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{s}^2 \cdot \mathbf{e}^{\mathbf{s} \cdot \mathbf{t}} + \frac{\mathbf{R}}{\mathbf{L}} \cdot \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{s} \cdot \mathbf{e}^{\mathbf{s} \cdot \mathbf{t}} + \frac{1}{\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{C}} \cdot \left(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{e}^{\mathbf{s} \cdot \mathbf{t}}\right)$ 

$$= \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{s}^2 \cdot \mathbf{e}^{\mathbf{s} \cdot \mathbf{t}} + \frac{\mathbf{R}}{\mathbf{L}} \cdot \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{s} \cdot \mathbf{e}^{\mathbf{s} \cdot \mathbf{t}} + \frac{1}{\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{C}} \cdot \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{e}^{\mathbf{s} \cdot \mathbf{t}} + \frac{1}{\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{C}} \cdot \mathbf{A}$$

We can separate this equation into two parts, one which is time dependent and one which is not. Each part must still be an equation.

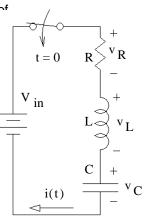
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Time independent (forced) part:  $V_{in} = A$ ,  $A = V_{in} = final condition = v_{C}(\infty)$ just like before

Time dependent (transient) part: 
$$0 = B \cdot s^2 \cdot e^{s \cdot t} + \frac{R}{L} \cdot B \cdot s \cdot e^{s \cdot t} + \frac{1}{L \cdot C} \cdot B \cdot e^{s \cdot t}$$

to get:  $0 = s^2 + \frac{r}{L} \cdot s + \frac{r}{L/C}$  = characteristic equation Divide both sides by B∙e

This equation is important. It is called the characteristic equation and we'll need to find one like it for every second-order circuit that we analyze. Luckily, there's a much easier way to get it, using impedances similar to those we used in phasor analysis. I'll talk about that in the next section, in the meantime, let's continue with this problem.



#### Once you have the characteristic equation

characteristic equation:  $s^2 + \frac{R}{L} \cdot s + \frac{1}{L \cdot C} = 0$ 

Solutions to the characteristic equation:

$$s_1 = -\frac{R}{2 \cdot L} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\left(\frac{R}{L}\right)^2 - \frac{4}{L \cdot C}} \qquad s_2 = -\frac{R}{2 \cdot L} - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\left(\frac{R}{L}\right)^2 - \frac{4}{L \cdot C}}$$

This results in three possible types of solutions, depending on what's under the radical, +, -, or 0.

Notice also that there are two s values (s1 and s2) and that leads to two two B's (we'll call them B and D)

Overdamped The part under the radical is +

 $\text{if } \left(\frac{R}{L}\right)^2 - \frac{4}{L \cdot C} > 0 \quad \text{then } s_1 \text{ and } s_2 \text{ are both real and} \quad s_1 \neq s_2 \text{ and our guessed solution } v_C(t) = A + B \cdot e^{s \cdot t}$ 

will become  $v_C(t) = v_C(\infty) + B \cdot e^{s_1 \cdot t} + D \cdot e^{s_2 \cdot t}$  and is simply the combination of two exponentials.

Also both  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  will always be negative (unless you find a negative R, C, or L), meaning the exponential parts will decay with time and are thus transient.

This is the overdamped case, like a class of students on a Monday morning. Pretty dull and soon to be asleep.

Underdamped The part under the radical is -

if 
$$\left(\frac{R}{L}\right)^2 - \frac{4}{L \cdot C} < 0$$
 then  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  are both complex and and can be expressed as  
 $s_1 = \alpha + j \cdot \omega$  and  $s_2 = \alpha - j \cdot \omega$ 

Well, if you start putting complex numbers in exponentials, what do you get? Euler's equations show that you'll get sines and cosines. In this case its much easier to rephrase the guessed solution like this.

$$v_{\mathbf{C}}(t) = v_{\mathbf{C}}(\infty) + e^{\alpha \cdot t} \left( B_{2} \cdot \cos(\omega \cdot t) + D_{2} \cdot \sin(\omega \cdot t) \right)$$

This form can be derived directly from  $v_{C}(t) = A + B \cdot e^{s_{1} \cdot t} + D \cdot e^{s_{2} \cdot t}$ 

using Euler's equation,  $e^{j \cdot \theta} = \cos(\theta) + j \cdot \sin(\theta)$ , but we won't bother to here.

In fact, although  $B_2$  and  $D_2$  are <u>not</u> the same as B and D, I'll drop the "2" subscripts because we'll never actually need to convert between these two forms and the extra subscripts just become annoying.

So: 
$$v_{C}(t) = v_{C}(\infty) + e^{\alpha \cdot t} (B \cdot \cos(\omega \cdot t) + D \cdot \sin(\omega \cdot t))$$

 $\alpha$  and  $\omega$  come from the s<sub>1</sub> and s<sub>2</sub> solutions to the characteristic equation.  $\omega$  is frequency at which the underdamped circuit will "ring" or "oscillate" in response to a transient.  $\alpha$  sets the decay rate of that oscillation. Because  $\alpha$  will always be negative the e<sup>at</sup> term insures that the transient ringing dies out in time.

This is the underdamped case, like students on spring break in Fort Lauderdale.

## Natural Frequency and the Damping Ratio

These are commonly used terms to describe the underdamped response in a normalized way, similar to the  $\tau$  used to decribe first-order transient responses.

The "natural frequency" is defined as:  $\omega_n = \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega^2}$ 

It is the frequency that the system would oscillate at if there were no damping (R = 0 in our case)

The damping ratio is defined as:  $\zeta = \frac{\alpha}{\omega_n}$  ( $\zeta$  is zeta) Transients p. 1.10 The characteristic equation is solved using the quadratic equation, recall:

if 
$$a \cdot x^2 + b \cdot x + c = 0$$

there are two solutions

and  

$$x_{1} = \frac{-b + \sqrt{b^{2} - 4 \cdot a \cdot c}}{2 \cdot a}$$

$$x_{2} = \frac{-b - \sqrt{b^{2} - 4 \cdot a \cdot c}}{2 \cdot a}$$

for this case: 
$$\omega_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{L \cdot C}}$$

## Critically damped The part under the radical is 0

if  $\left(\frac{R}{L}\right)^2 - \frac{4}{L \cdot C} = 0$  then  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  are both real and exactly the same. Now our guessed solution must be

modified to  $v_C(t) = v_C(\infty) + B \cdot e^{s_1 \cdot t} + D \cdot t \cdot e^{s_2 \cdot t}$  and can result in a single overshoot.

This is actually a trivial case since it relies on an exact equality which will never happen in reality. The best use of the critically damped case is as a conceptual border between the over- and under-damped cases.

## **RLC** examples

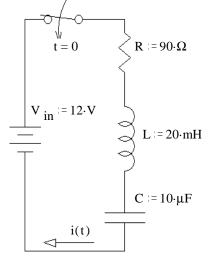
Let's use some component values in the RLC circuit and see what happens.

### **Overdamped Example**

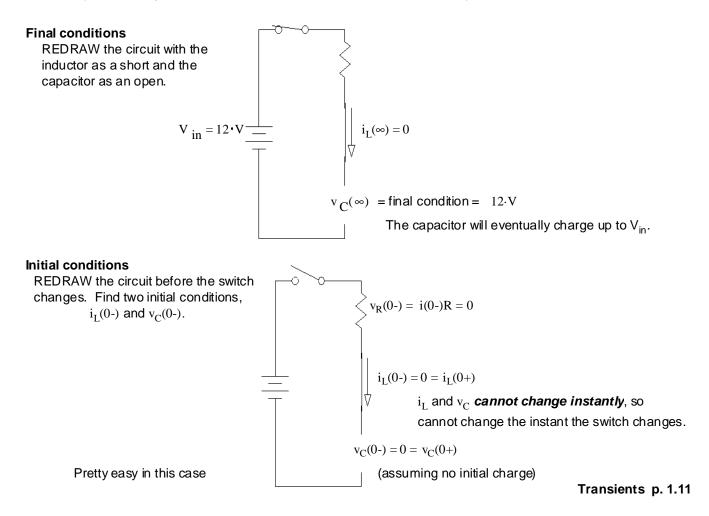
$$\left(\frac{R}{L}\right)^2 - \frac{4}{L\cdot C} > 0 \qquad s_1 \text{ and } s_2 \text{ are real and negative, overdamped.}$$
$$s_1 := -\frac{R}{2\cdot L} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\left(\frac{R}{L}\right)^2 - \frac{4}{L\cdot C}} \qquad s_1 = -2000 \cdot \sec^{-1}$$

$$s_2 := -\frac{R}{2 \cdot L} - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\left(\frac{R}{L}\right)^2 - \frac{4}{L \cdot C}}$$
  $s_2 = -2500 \cdot \sec^{-1}$ 

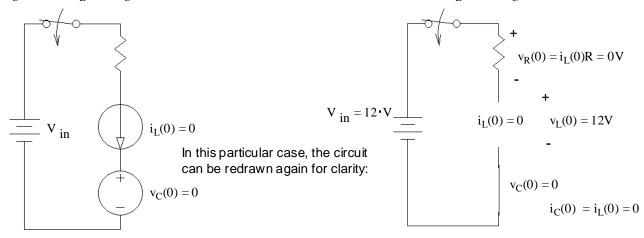
$$v_{C}(t) = v_{C}(\infty) + B \cdot e^{s_{1} \cdot t} + D \cdot e^{s_{2} \cdot t}$$



(As an example, the form is the same for all variables in this circuit)



REDRAW the circuit again just after the switch changes. Show the inductor as a current source of  $i_L(0)$  (same as  $i_L(0-)$ ) and the capacitor as a voltage source of  $v_C(0)$  (same as  $v_C(0-)$ ). Find two more initial conditions,  $v_L(0)$  and  $i_C(0)$ . Both  $v_L(0)$  or  $i_C(0)$  can change instantly, so you **must** find them from  $i_L(0)$  and  $v_C(0)$ .



Again, pretty easy in this case

Rearrange the basic equations for inductors and capacitors to find the initial slopes from  $v_L(0)$  or  $i_C(0)$ .

Note: You will need only the first one if you are looking for  $i_{T}(t)$ .

You will need only the second one if you are looking for  $v_{C}(t)$ .

You may need both if you are looking for any other variable in the circuit. Other variables can usually be found most easily from  $i_L(t)$  and/or  $v_C(t)$ .

## To Find $v_{C}(t)$

At time t = 0  $v_C(0) = v_C(\infty) + B + D = 0$  $0 = 12 \cdot V + B + D$  Rearranging:  $D = -12 \cdot V - B$ 

This equation has two unknowns. The initial slope will give us the needed second equation.

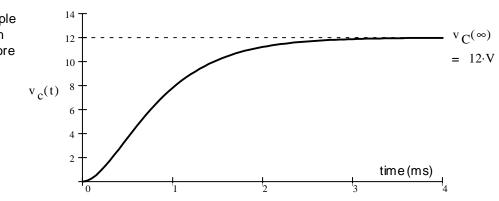
Differentiate the solution: 
$$v_{C}(t) = v_{C}(\infty) + B \cdot e^{s_{1} \cdot t} + D \cdot e^{s_{2} \cdot t}$$
  
to get:  $\frac{d}{dt} v_{C}(t) = 0 + B \cdot s_{1} \cdot e^{s_{1} \cdot t} + D \cdot s_{2} \cdot e^{s_{2} \cdot t}$   
At time  $t = 0$ :  $\frac{d}{dt} v_{C}(0) = B \cdot s_{1} + D \cdot s_{2}$   
From initial conditions, above:  $\frac{d}{dt} v_{C}(0) = \frac{i_{C}(0)}{C} = 0 \cdot \frac{V}{sec}$   
Combining:  $0 \cdot \frac{V}{sec} = B \cdot s_{1} + D \cdot s_{2}$  The second equation!  
Solve simultaneously for B and D:  $0 \cdot \frac{V}{sec} = B \cdot s_{1} + (-12 \cdot V - B) \cdot s_{2}$   
B =  $s_{2} \cdot \frac{12 \cdot V}{(s_{1} - s_{2})} = -60 \cdot V$   
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D =  $-12 \cdot V - B = -12 \cdot V - -60 \cdot V = 48 \cdot V$ 

recall the solution: 
$$v_{C}(t) = v_{C}(\infty) + B \cdot e^{s_{1} \cdot t} + D \cdot e^{s_{2} \cdot t}$$

 $v_{\mathbf{C}}(t) = 12 \cdot \mathbf{V} - 60 \cdot \mathbf{V} \cdot \mathbf{e}^{-\frac{2000}{\text{sec}} \cdot t} + 48 \cdot \mathbf{V} \cdot \mathbf{e}^{-\frac{2000}{\text{sec}} \cdot t}$ 

Substitute everything back in back in:

Notice that this is not a simple exponential curve, although admittedly it's not much more interesting.

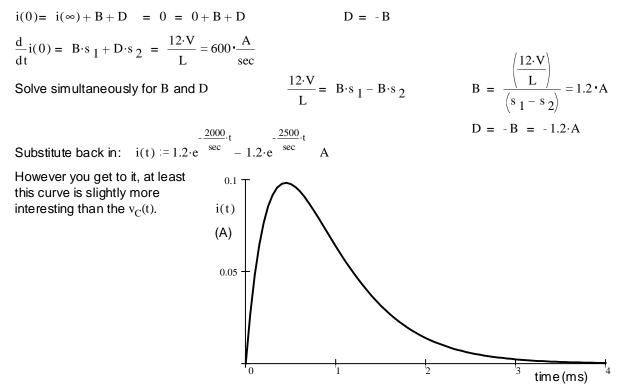


 $-\frac{2500}{\text{sec}} \cdot t$ 

To Find  $i_L(t)$  or  $i_R(t)$  or  $i_C(t)$  which all the same i(t).

 $i(t) = i(\infty) + B \cdot e^{s \cdot 1 \cdot t} + D \cdot e^{s \cdot 2 \cdot t}$ 

From final and initial conditions



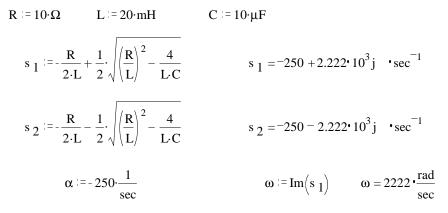
We could have found the same result from  $v_C(t)$ , using that to find  $i_L(t)$ :

$$i_{C}(t) = C \cdot \frac{d}{dt} v_{C}(t) = C \cdot \frac{d}{dt} \left( 12 \cdot V - 60 \cdot V \cdot e^{-\frac{2000}{\sec} \cdot t} + 48 \cdot V \cdot e^{-\frac{2500}{\sec} \cdot t} \right)$$

$$= C \cdot (-60 \cdot V) \cdot \left( -\frac{2000}{\sec} \right) \cdot e^{-\frac{2000}{\sec} \cdot t} + C \cdot 48 \cdot V \cdot \left( -\frac{25}{\sec} \right) \cdot e^{-\frac{2500}{\sec} \cdot t}$$

$$C \cdot (-60 \cdot V) \cdot \left( -\frac{2000}{\sec} \right) = 1.2 \cdot A \qquad C \cdot 48 \cdot V \cdot \left( -\frac{2500}{\sec} \right) = -1.2 \cdot A \qquad \text{and} \quad i(t) := 1.2 \cdot e^{-\frac{2000}{\sec} \cdot t} - 1.2 \cdot e^{-\frac{2500}{\sec} \cdot t}$$
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## **Underdamped Example**



The final and initial conditions are the same as before, since they did not depend on R and R is the only component that is different.

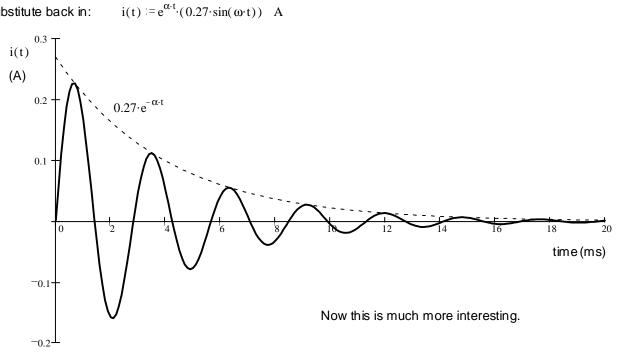
Let's find the current again this time.

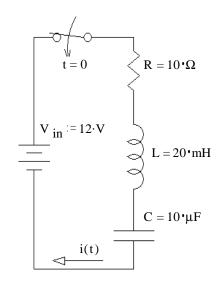
 $i(t) = i(\infty) + e^{\alpha \cdot t} (B \cdot \cos(\omega \cdot t) + D \cdot \sin(\omega \cdot t))$  (underdamped this time)  $i(0) = i(\infty) + B$ , 0 = 0 + B $\mathbf{B} := \mathbf{0} \cdot \mathbf{A}$ 

 $\label{eq:differentiate the solution: } \text{Differentiate the solution: } i(t) = i(\infty) + e^{\alpha \cdot t} \cdot (B \cdot cos(\omega \cdot t) + D \cdot sin(\omega \cdot t))$ 

to get: 
$$\frac{d}{dt}i(t) = \alpha \cdot e^{\alpha \cdot t} \cdot (B \cdot \cos(\omega \cdot t) + D \cdot \sin(\omega \cdot t)) + e^{\alpha \cdot t} \cdot (-B \cdot \sin(\omega \cdot t) \cdot \omega + D \cdot \cos(\omega \cdot t) \cdot \omega)$$
  
At time  $t = 0$ :  $\frac{d}{dt}i(0) = B \cdot \alpha + D \cdot \omega$  Solve for D:  $D = \frac{\frac{d}{dt}i(0) - B \cdot \alpha}{\omega}$   
 $\frac{d}{dt}i(0) = \frac{12 \cdot V}{L}$   $D = \frac{\frac{12 \cdot V}{L} - B \cdot \alpha}{\omega} = 0.27 \cdot A$ 

Substitute back in:

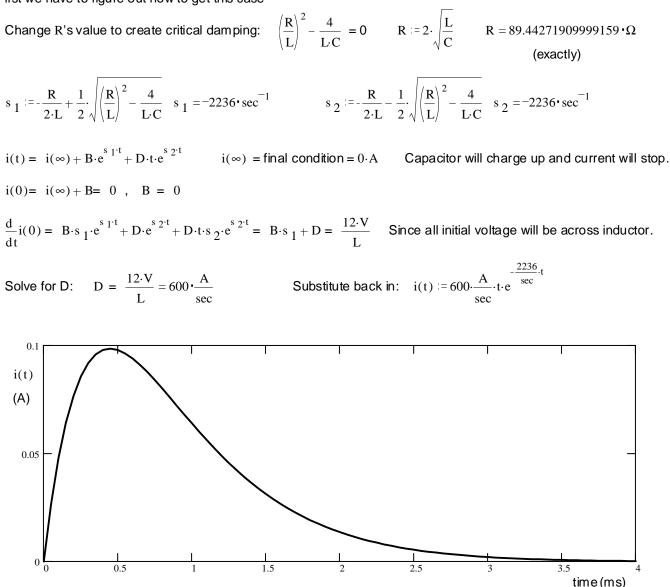




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### Critically Damped Example

First we have to figure out how to get this case



if you notice a remarkable similarity with the overdamped case, that's common for critical damping.

# 1.7 The Easy Way to get the Characteristic Equation

Recall from your Ordinary Differential Equations class, the Laplace transform method of solving differential equations. The Laplace transform allowed you to change time-domain functions to frequency-domain functions. We've already done this for steady-state AC circuits. We changed functions of t into functions of job. That was the frequency domain. Laplace let's us do the same sort of thing for transients. The general procedure is as follows.

1) Transform your forcing functions into the frequency domain with the Laplace transform.

2) Solve your differential equations with plain old algebra, where:

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3) Transform your result back to the time domain with the inverse Laplace transform.

Step 1 isn't too bad, but step 3 can be a total pain without a good computer program to do the job. However, step 2 sounds great. It turns out that we can use step 2 alone and still learn a great deal about our circuits and other systems without ever bothering with steps 1 and 3.

First remember from your study of Laplace that differentiation in the time domain was the same as multiplication by s in the frequency domain. That's really all we need and we're off and running.

$$v_{L}(t) = L \frac{d}{dt} i_{L}(t) \xrightarrow{\dots > V} V_{L}(s) = L \cdot s \cdot I_{L}(s) \quad \text{and} \quad i_{C}(t) = C \cdot \frac{d}{dt} v_{C}(t) \xrightarrow{\dots > I} V_{C}(s) = C \cdot s \cdot V_{C}(s)$$

Leading to the Laplace impedances: Ls for an inductor and  $\frac{1}{C_s}$  for a capacitor.

That's it, now we can use these impedances just like the jo impedances, and we can use all the tools developed for DC. And with Laplace we don't even have to mess with complex numbers.

Look what happens to the RLC circuit now.

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Pick any dependent variable (I(s),  $V_R(s)$ ,  $V_L(s)$ , or  $V_C(s)$ ) and write a transfer function, t = 0 which is a ratio of the dependent variable to the input ( $V_{1:n}(s)$ ). like this: t=U \_Vin (s) |+ \_ Ls3V

$$V_{in}(s) = I(s) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{C \cdot s} + R + L \cdot s\right)$$
  
Transfer function = H(s) =  $\frac{I(s)}{V_{in}(s)} = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{C \cdot s} + R + L \cdot s\right)}$ 

Manipulate this transfer function into this form:  $\frac{a_1 \cdot s^2 + b_1 \cdot s + k_1}{s^2 + b_1 \cdot s + k}$ One polynomial divided by another.

$$\frac{I(s)}{V_{in}(s)} = \frac{1 \cdot (C \cdot s)}{(1 + R + L \cdot s \cdot (C \cdot s))} = \frac{\frac{1}{L} \cdot s}{\left(s^2 + \frac{R}{L} \cdot s + \frac{1}{L \cdot C}\right)}$$

in the correct form.

Set the denominator to 0 and you get the characteristic equation:

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

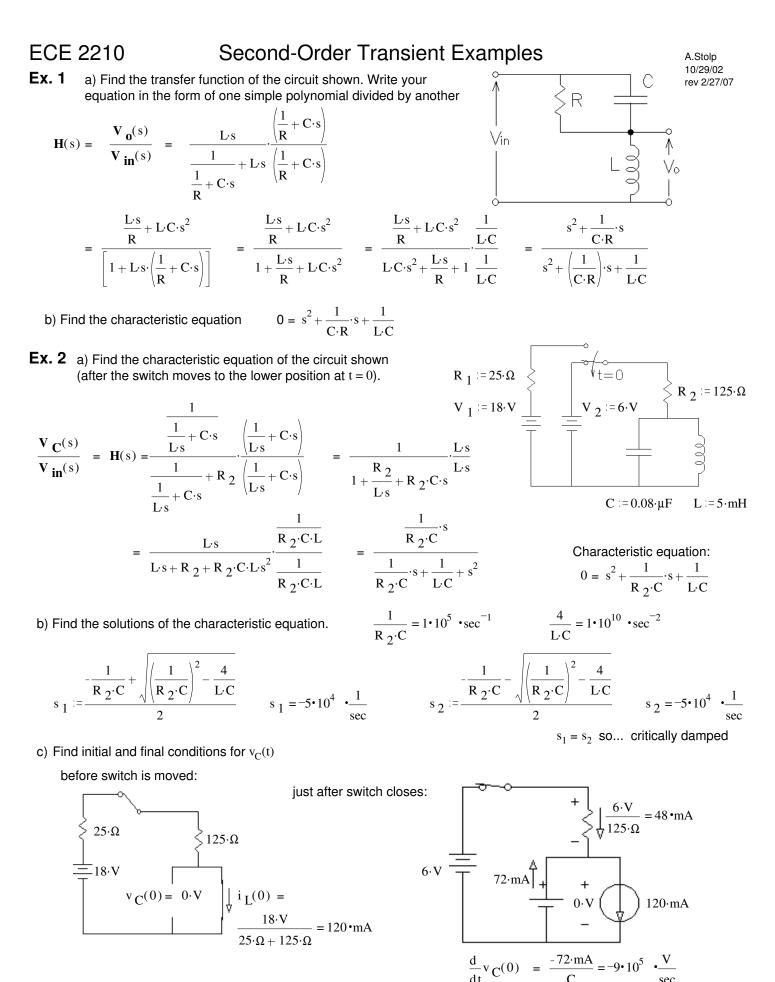
At this point you just proceed with the solution like you did before; Solve the characteristic equation to find s<sub>1</sub> and s<sub>2</sub>. Decide which case you have (over-, under-, or critically damped). Use the two initial conditions,  $i_{\rm L}(0)$  and  $v_{\rm C}(0)$  to find the initial condition and the initial slope of your variable of interest, then use those to find the constants B and D.

## Differential equation from the transfer function

You can also use the transfer function to go back and find the differential equation, just replace each s with a

 $\frac{d}{dt} \quad \text{and go back to functions of t.} \quad \frac{1}{L} \frac{d}{dt} V_{in}(t) = \left( \frac{d^2}{dt^2} i(t) + \frac{R}{L} \frac{d}{dt} i(t) + \frac{1}{L \cdot C} \cdot i(t) \right) \quad \text{Actually this is a pretty useless thing to do.}$ 

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Final conditions:  
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$$v_{C}(\infty) = 0.V$$
  
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 $v_{C}(0) = v_{C}(\infty) + B = 0$   
 $v_{C}(1) = -9.10^{5} \frac{V}{sec} + e^{8.11}$   
 $v_{C}(2) = -9.10^{5}$ 

$$\alpha := \operatorname{Re}(s_1) \qquad \alpha = -6.25 \cdot 10^3 \cdot \operatorname{sec}^{-1} \qquad \omega := \operatorname{Im}(s_1) \qquad \omega = 4.961 \cdot 10^4 \cdot \operatorname{sec}^{-1}$$

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c) Find initial and final conditions for  $\boldsymbol{v}_{C}(t)$ See drawings above

$$v_{C}(\infty) = 0 \cdot V$$

d) Find the full expression of  $v_{\rm C}(t)$ . Underdamped

$$v_{C}(t) = v_{C}(\infty) + e^{\alpha t} \cdot (B \cdot \cos(\omega \cdot t) + D \cdot \sin(\omega \cdot t))$$

**Ex. 3** a) Find the characteristic equation of the circuit shown. (after the switch opens at t = 0). Write your equation in the form of a simple polynomials.

$$H(s) = \frac{I}{V_{in}(s)} = \frac{1}{Z(s)} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}}} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}}} = \frac{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}}}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}} = \frac{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}}}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}} = \frac{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}}}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}} = \frac{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}} = \frac{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}} = \frac{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}} = \frac{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}} = \frac{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}} = \frac{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}} = \frac{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}} = \frac{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}} = \frac{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}} = \frac{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}} = \frac{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}} = \frac{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}} = \frac{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}} = \frac{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}} = \frac{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}} = \frac{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}} = \frac{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{2}} + C \cdot s}} = \frac{1}{\frac$$

Characteristic eq.: 
$$0 = s^2 + \left(\frac{1}{C \cdot R_2} + \frac{R_1}{L}\right) \cdot s + \left(1 + \frac{R_1}{R_2}\right) \cdot \frac{1}{L \cdot C}$$

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b) Find the solutions (numbers) of the characteristic equation:

$$b := \frac{1}{C \cdot R_2} + \frac{R_1}{L} \qquad b = 3.5 \cdot 10^4 \cdot \sec^{-1} \qquad k := \left(1 + \frac{R_1}{R_2}\right) \cdot \frac{1}{L \cdot C} \qquad k = 1.5 \cdot 10^9 \cdot \sec^{-2}$$

$$s_1 := \frac{-b + \sqrt{b^2 - 4 \cdot k}}{2} \qquad s_1 = -1.75 \cdot 10^4 + 3.455 \cdot 10^4 j \qquad \cdot \frac{1}{\sec} \qquad \alpha := -\frac{b}{2} \qquad \alpha = -1.75 \cdot 10^4 \cdot \sec^{-1}$$

$$s_2 := \frac{-b - \sqrt{b^2 - 4 \cdot k}}{2} \qquad s_2 = -1.75 \cdot 10^4 - 3.455 \cdot 10^4 j \qquad \cdot \frac{1}{\sec} \qquad \omega := \frac{1}{2} \cdot \sqrt{4 \cdot k - b^2} \qquad \omega = 3.455 \cdot 10^4 \cdot \sec^{-1}$$
Underdamped

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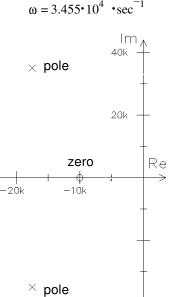
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c) Plot the poles and zeroes of the transfer function.

The poles are the s's where the denominator is zero, that is, the  $s_1 \& s_2$  solutions to the characteristic equation.

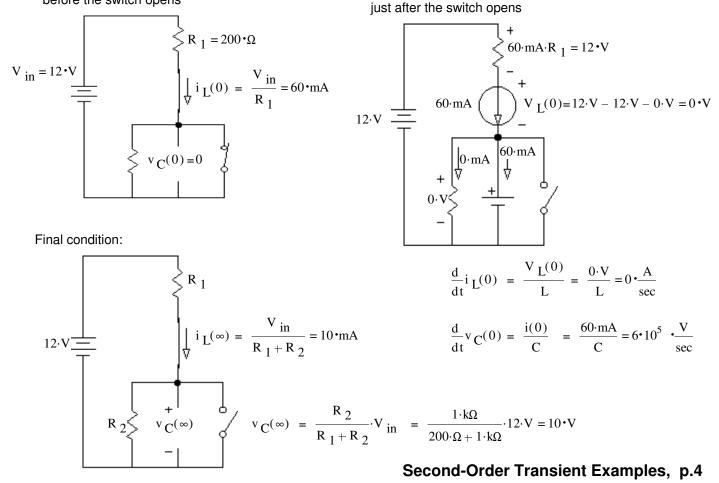
The zero is the s where the numerator is zero:  $0 = \frac{1}{L \cdot C \cdot R_2} + \frac{C}{L \cdot C} \cdot s$ 

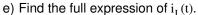
$$s = -\frac{1}{C \cdot R_2} = -1 \cdot 10^4 \cdot \sec^{-1}$$



d) Initial and final conditions for  $\boldsymbol{i}_L(t)$  and  $\boldsymbol{v}_C(t).$ 

before the switch opens





 $X(t) = X(\infty) + e^{\alpha t} (B \cdot \cos(\omega \cdot t) + D \cdot \sin(\omega \cdot t))$ Underdamped  $i_{I}(t) = i_{I}(\infty) + e^{\alpha \cdot t} \cdot (B \cdot \cos(\omega \cdot t) + D \cdot \sin(\omega \cdot t))$  $i_{L}(0) = i_{L}(\infty) + B$  so..  $B = i_{L}(0) - i_{L}(\infty)$  $B := 60 \cdot mA - 10 \cdot mA$  $B = 50 \cdot mA$  $\frac{d}{dt}i_{L}(0) = B\cdot\alpha + D\cdot\omega \quad \text{ so.. } \quad D = \frac{\frac{d}{dt}i_{L}(0) - B\cdot\alpha}{\omega} \qquad D := \frac{0\cdot\frac{A}{sec} - B\cdot\alpha}{\omega}$  $D = 25.325 \cdot mA$  $i_{L}(t) := 10 \cdot mA + e^{-\frac{17500}{\sec} \cdot t} \left( 50 \cdot mA \cdot \cos\left(\frac{34550}{\sec} \cdot t\right) + 25.325 \cdot mA \cdot \sin\left(\frac{34550}{\sec} \cdot t\right) \right)$  $i_{L}(0)_{60}$ 50 40  $i_{I}(t)$ (mA) 30 20  $i_{I}(\infty) = 10 \cdot mA$ 10 0 time (µs) 250 50 100 150 200 300 350 f) Find the full expression of  $v_{C}(t)$ .  $D := \frac{6 \cdot 10^5 \cdot \frac{V}{\text{sec}} - B \cdot \alpha}{2}$  $\mathbf{B} := \mathbf{0} \cdot \mathbf{V} - \mathbf{10} \cdot \mathbf{V} \qquad \mathbf{B} = -\mathbf{10} \cdot \mathbf{V}$  $D = 12.301 \cdot V$  $v_{C}(t) = v_{C}(\infty) + e^{\alpha t} \cdot (B \cdot \cos(\omega \cdot t) + D \cdot \sin(\omega \cdot t))$  $\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{C}}(\mathbf{t}) \coloneqq 10 \cdot \mathbf{V} + \mathbf{e}^{-\frac{17500}{\text{sec}} \mathbf{t}} \cdot \left(-10 \cdot \mathbf{V} \cdot \cos\left(\frac{34550}{\text{sec}} \cdot \mathbf{t}\right) + 12.301 \cdot \mathbf{V} \cdot \sin\left(\frac{34550}{\text{sec}} \cdot \mathbf{t}\right)\right)$ 20 $v c^{(t)}$ (volts)  $v_{C}(\infty) = 10 \cdot V$ 10 5

time (µs)

200

250

300

350

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50

100

150

h) What value of R1 would make this system critically damped?

$$\left(\frac{1}{C \cdot R_{2}} + \frac{R_{1}}{L}\right)^{2} = 4 \cdot \left(1 + \frac{R_{1}}{R_{2}}\right) \cdot \frac{1}{L \cdot C} \qquad \qquad \frac{1}{C^{2} \cdot R_{2}^{2}} + \frac{2}{C \cdot R_{2}} \cdot \frac{R_{1}}{L} + \frac{R_{1}^{2}}{L^{2}} = \frac{4}{L \cdot C} + \frac{4}{C \cdot R_{2}} \cdot \frac{R_{1}}{L} + \frac{R_{1}^{2}}{L^{2}} = \frac{4}{L \cdot C} + \frac{4}{C \cdot R_{2}} \cdot \frac{R_{1}}{L} + \frac{R_{1}^{2}}{L^{2}} = \frac{4}{L \cdot C} + \frac{4}{C \cdot R_{2}} \cdot \frac{R_{1}}{L} + \frac{R_{1}^{2}}{L^{2}} = \frac{4}{L \cdot C} + \frac{4}{C \cdot R_{2}} \cdot \frac{R_{1}}{L} + \frac{R_{1}^{2}}{L^{2}} = \frac{4}{L \cdot C} + \frac{4}{C \cdot R_{2}} \cdot \frac{R_{1}}{L} + \frac{R_{1}^{2}}{L^{2}} = \frac{4}{L \cdot C} + \frac{4}{C \cdot R_{2}} \cdot \frac{R_{1}}{L} + \frac{R_{1}^{2}}{L^{2}} = \frac{4}{L \cdot C} + \frac{4}{C \cdot R_{2}} \cdot \frac{R_{1}}{L} + \frac{R_{1}^{2}}{L^{2}} = \frac{4}{L \cdot C} + \frac{4}{C \cdot R_{2}} \cdot \frac{R_{1}}{L} + \frac{R_{1}^{2}}{L^{2}} = \frac{4}{L \cdot C} + \frac{4}{C \cdot R_{2}} \cdot \frac{R_{1}}{L} + \frac{R_{1}^{2}}{L^{2}} = \frac{4}{L \cdot C} + \frac{4}{C \cdot R_{2}} \cdot \frac{R_{1}}{L} + \frac{R_{1}^{2}}{L^{2}} = \frac{4}{L \cdot C} + \frac{4}{C \cdot R_{2}} \cdot \frac{R_{1}}{L} + \frac{R_{1}^{2}}{L^{2}} = \frac{4}{L \cdot C} + \frac{4}{C \cdot R_{2}} \cdot \frac{R_{1}}{L} + \frac{R_{1}^{2}}{L^{2}} = \frac{4}{L \cdot C} + \frac{4}{C \cdot R_{2}} \cdot \frac{R_{1}}{L} + \frac{R_{1}^{2}}{L^{2}} = \frac{4}{L \cdot C} + \frac{4}{C \cdot R_{2}} \cdot \frac{R_{1}}{L} + \frac{R_{1}^{2}}{L^{2}} = \frac{4}{L \cdot C} + \frac{4}{C \cdot R_{2}} \cdot \frac{R_{1}}{L} + \frac{R_{1}^{2}}{L^{2}} = \frac{4}{L \cdot C} + \frac{4}{C \cdot R_{2}} \cdot \frac{R_{1}}{L} + \frac{R_{1}^{2}}{L^{2}} = \frac{4}{L \cdot C} + \frac{4}{C \cdot R_{2}} \cdot \frac{R_{1}}{L} + \frac{R_{1}^{2}}{L^{2}} = \frac{4}{L \cdot C} + \frac{4}{C \cdot R_{2}} \cdot \frac{R_{1}}{L} + \frac{R_{1}^{2}}{L^{2}} = \frac{4}{L \cdot C} + \frac{4}{C \cdot R_{2}} \cdot \frac{R_{1}}{L} + \frac{R_{1}^{2}}{L^{2}} + \frac{R_{1}^{2}}{L$$

Solve for  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{R}}_1$  with quadradic equation:

Quadradic equation can be reduced to:

$$R_{1} = \frac{\frac{2 \cdot L}{C \cdot R_{2}} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{2 \cdot L}{C \cdot R_{2}}\right)^{2} - 4 \cdot \left(\frac{L^{2}}{C^{2} \cdot R_{2}^{2}} - \frac{4 \cdot L}{C}\right)}}{2} = \frac{L}{C \cdot R_{2}} - \frac{4}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{L}{C}} = -485.7 \cdot \Omega$$
 this solution can't be 
$$= \frac{L}{C \cdot R_{2}} + \frac{4}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{L}{C}} = 645.7 \cdot \Omega$$
 this must be the solution

**Ex. 2 with bigger R<sub>1</sub>** 
$$R_1 := 1 \cdot k\Omega$$
 This should make the system overdamped  
 $b := \frac{1}{C \cdot R_2} + \frac{R_1}{L}$   $b = 1.35 \cdot 10^5 \cdot \sec^{-1}$   $k := \left(1 + \frac{R_1}{R_2}\right) \cdot \frac{1}{L \cdot C}$   $k = 2.5 \cdot 10^9 \cdot \sec^{-2}$   
 $s_1 := \frac{-b + \sqrt{b^2 - 4 \cdot k}}{2}$   $s_1 = -2.215 \cdot 10^4 \cdot \frac{1}{\sec}$   $s_2 := \frac{-b - \sqrt{b^2 - 4 \cdot k}}{2}$   $s_2 = -1.128 \cdot 10^5 \cdot \frac{1}{\sec}$ 

Overdamped

$$v_{C}(0) = 0 \qquad i_{L}(0) = \frac{V_{in}}{R_{1}} = 12 \cdot mA = i_{C}(0) \qquad \frac{d}{dt} v_{C}(0) = \frac{i(0)}{C} = \frac{12 \cdot mA}{C} = 1.2 \cdot 10^{5} \cdot \frac{V}{sec}$$

$$v_{C}(\infty) = \frac{R_{2}}{R_{1} + R_{2}} \cdot V_{in} = 6 \cdot V \qquad i_{L}(\infty) = \frac{V_{in}}{R_{1} + R_{2}} = 6 \cdot mA \qquad 1.2 \cdot 10^{5} \cdot \frac{1}{sec} = 1.2 \cdot 10^{5} \cdot \frac{1}{sec} = 1.2 \cdot 10^{5} \cdot \frac{V}{sec}$$

$$v_{C}(0) = v_{C}(\infty) + B + D \qquad 1.2 \cdot 10^{5} \cdot \frac{1}{sec} = 1.2 \cdot 10^{5$$

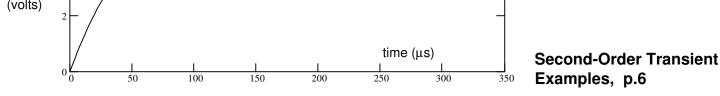
$$0 \cdot V = 6 \cdot V + B + D \qquad B = -(6 \cdot V + D)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} v_{C}(0) = B \cdot s_{1} + D \cdot s_{2} = -6 \cdot V \cdot s_{1} - D \cdot s_{1} + D \cdot s_{2} \qquad D := \frac{1.2 \cdot 10^{5} \cdot \frac{V}{\sec} + 6 \cdot V \cdot s_{1}}{s_{2} - s_{1}} \qquad D = 0.143 \cdot V$$

$$B = -(6 \cdot V + D) = -6.143 \cdot V$$

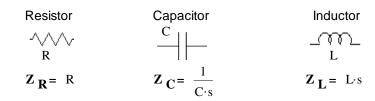
$$v_{C}(t) = v_{C}(\infty) + B \cdot e^{s_{1} \cdot t} + D \cdot e^{s_{2} \cdot t} \qquad v_{C}(t) := 6 \cdot V - 6.143 \cdot V \cdot e^{\frac{2.215 \cdot 16^{4}}{\sec} t} + 0.143 \cdot V \cdot e^{\frac{1.128 \cdot 10^{5}}{\sec} t}$$

$$v_{C}(\infty) = 6 \cdot V$$



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# Transfer function

Laplace impedances

Use Laplace impedances, manipulate your circuit equation(s) to find a transfer function:

 $\frac{\text{output}}{\text{input}} = \frac{\frac{V \mathbf{X}(s)}{\mathbf{V} \mathbf{in}^{(s)}}}{\mathbf{W} \frac{1}{\mathbf{in}^{(s)}}} = \frac{\frac{a_1 \cdot s^2 + b_1 \cdot s + k_1}{s^2 + b \cdot s + k}}{\frac{a_1 \cdot s^2 + b_1 \cdot s + k_1}{s^2 + b \cdot s + k}} = \text{transfer function}$  $a_1, b_1, k_1$  coefficients may be zero Rearrange circuit equation to: H(s) =

# Characteristic equation

To find the poles of the transfer function

# Complete solution

**Complete solution** Solutions to the characteristic equation:  $s_1 = -\frac{b}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{b^2 - 4 \cdot k}}{2}$   $s_2 = -\frac{b}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{b^2 - 4 \cdot k}}{2}$ 

#### **Find initial Conditions** $(v_{C} \text{ and/or } i_{I})$

Find conditions of just before time t = 0,  $v_C(0)$  and  $i_L(0)$ . These will be the same just after time t = 0,  $v_C(0)$  and  $i_L(0)$ and will be your initial conditions.

Use normal circuit analysis to find your desired variable:  $v_X(0)$  or  $i_X(0)$ Also find:  $\frac{d}{dt}v_X(0)$  or  $\frac{d}{dt}i_X(0)$  The trick to finding these is to see that:  $\frac{d}{dt}v_C(0) = \frac{i_C(0)}{C}$  and  $\frac{d}{dt}i_L(0) = \frac{v_L(0)}{T}$ 

## Find final conditions ("steady-state" or "forced" solution)

DC inputs: Inductors are shorts Capacitors are opens Solve by DC analysis  $v_X(\infty)$  or  $i_X(\infty)$ AC inputs: Solve by AC steady-state analysis using  $j\omega$ 

X(t) may be replaced by  $v_{\rm X}(t),\,i_{\rm X}(t)$  or any desired variable in the equations below

Overdamped 
$$b^2 - 4 \cdot k > 0$$
  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  are real and negative

$$X(t) = X(\infty) + B \cdot e^{s} 1 \cdot t + D \cdot e^{s} 2 \cdot t$$

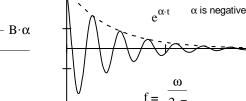
 $X(0) = X(\infty) + B + D$   $\frac{d}{dt}X(0) = B \cdot s_1 + D \cdot s_2$  Solve simultaneously for B and D.

<u>Critically damped</u>  $b^2 - 4 \cdot k = 0$   $s_1 = s_2 = -\frac{b}{2} = s$   $s_1$  and  $s_2$  are real, equal and  $X(t) = X(\infty) + B \cdot e^{s \cdot t} + D \cdot t \cdot e^{s \cdot t}$ negative  $X(0) = X(\infty) + B$  $X(0) = X(\infty) + B$ so.. B = X(0) - X(\infty)  $\frac{d}{dt}X(0) = B \cdot s + D$  so.. D =  $\frac{d}{dt}X(0) - B \cdot s$ 

<u>Underdamped</u>  $b^2 - 4 \cdot k < 0$   $s_1 = \alpha + j \cdot \omega$   $s_2 = \alpha - j \cdot \omega$   $\alpha$  is negative mplove and e

$$X(t) = X(\infty) + e^{\alpha \cdot t} \cdot (B \cdot \cos(\omega \cdot t) + D \cdot \sin(\omega \cdot t))$$

$$X(0) = X(\infty) + B \qquad \qquad \frac{d}{dt} X(0) = B \cdot \alpha + D \cdot \omega \quad \text{so.. } D = \frac{\frac{d}{dt} X(0) - B \cdot \alpha}{\omega}$$



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characteristic equation

 $s^2 + b \cdot s + k = 0$ 

typical

typical

time

time

time

#### Derivation of the Canned Solutions. Second Order Transients ECE 2210

How do we find B and D ?? You will use the canned solutions, which I will derive here, using initial conditions.

These are worked out within an example, starting on page 1.12 of the main Second-Order Transients handout.

## Overdamped

Let's assume we've found that s1 and s2 are real and negative, and you're interested in the capacitor voltage.

Then:  $v_{C}(t) = v_{C}(\infty) + B \cdot e^{s_{1} \cdot t} + D \cdot e^{s_{2} \cdot t}$ At time t = 0  $v_C(0) = v_C(\infty) + B + D = v_C(0^-)$ , whatever it was just before time t = 0. It CANNOT change instantly Same for  $i_{I}(0)$ 

But that's only one equation, and we have two unknowns, B and D.

The trick is to differentiate the solution:  $v_{C}(t) = v_{C}(\infty) + B \cdot e^{s_{1} \cdot t} + D \cdot e^{s_{2} \cdot t}$ 

$$\frac{d}{dt}v_{C}(t) = 0 + B \cdot s_{1} \cdot e^{s_{1} \cdot t} + D \cdot s_{2} \cdot e^{s_{2} \cdot t}$$

At time t = 0:  $\frac{d}{dt} v_C(0) = B \cdot s_1 + D \cdot s_2$  = initial slope From initial conditions, above:  $\frac{d}{dt} v_{C}(0) = \frac{i_{C}(0)}{C} = B \cdot s_{1} + D \cdot s_{2}$  The second equation ! Solve simultaneously for B and D.

But i<sub>C</sub> CAN change instantly, so...

We will find  $i_{C}(0)$  from  $i_{I}(0) = i_{I}(0)$  because  $i_{I}$  can't change instantly This will require circuit analysis at time t = 0+

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### Underdamped

Let's assume we've found complex  $s_1$  and  $s_2$   $s_1 = \alpha + j \cdot \omega$   $s_2 = \alpha - j \cdot \omega$   $\alpha$  is negative

Then:  $v_{C}(t) = v_{C}(\infty) + e^{\omega \cdot t} (B \cdot \cos(\omega \cdot t) + D \cdot \sin(\omega \cdot t))$ 

At time t = 0  $v_{C}(0) = v_{C}(\infty) + B = v_{C}(0^{-})$   $B = v_{C}(0) - v_{C}(\infty)$ 

Now differentiate the solution:  $v_{C}(t) = v_{C}(\infty) + e^{\omega \cdot t} (B \cdot \cos(\omega \cdot t) + D \cdot \sin(\omega \cdot t))$ 

$$\begin{aligned} \text{recall:} \quad & \frac{d}{dt}(f(t) \cdot g(t)) = \left(\frac{d}{dt}f(t)\right) \cdot g(t) + f(t) \cdot \left(\frac{d}{dt}g(t)\right) \\ \text{yields:} \quad & \frac{d}{dt}v_{C}(t) = \alpha \cdot e^{\alpha \cdot t} \cdot (B \cdot \cos(\omega \cdot t) + D \cdot \sin(\omega \cdot t)) + e^{\alpha \cdot t} \cdot (-B \cdot \sin(\omega \cdot t) \cdot \omega + D \cdot \cos(\omega \cdot t) \cdot \omega) \\ \text{At time } t = 0; \quad & \frac{d}{dt}v_{C}(0) = B \cdot \alpha + D \cdot \omega \qquad \text{Solve for:} \quad D = \frac{\frac{d}{dt}v_{C}(0) - B \cdot \alpha}{\omega} \end{aligned}$$

Critically damped

Let's assume we've found real  $s_1 = s_2 = s$ 

Then: 
$$v_{C}(t) = v_{C}(\infty) + B \cdot e^{s \cdot t} + D \cdot t \cdot e^{s \cdot t}$$
  
At time  $t = 0$   $v_{C}(0) = v_{C}(\infty) + B = v_{C}(0^{-})$   $B = v_{C}(0) - v_{C}(\infty)$   
Now differentiate the solution:  $\frac{d}{dt}v_{C}(t) = B \cdot s \cdot e^{s \cdot t} + D \cdot e^{s \cdot t} + D \cdot t \cdot s \cdot e^{s \cdot t}$   
 $\frac{d}{dt}v_{C}(0) = B \cdot s + D$  Solve for:  $D = \frac{d}{dt}v_{C}(0) - B \cdot s$ 

Same goes for and variable (like  $i_L(t)$ , for example).  $v_C(0+) = v_C(0-)$   $i_L(0+) = i_L(0-)$ 

 $\frac{d}{dt}v_{C}(0) = \frac{i_{C}(0)}{C} \qquad \qquad \frac{d}{dt}i_{L}(0) = \frac{v_{L}(0)}{L} \qquad \text{And circuit analysis at time } t = 0 + \frac{v_{C}(0)}{L}$ 

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