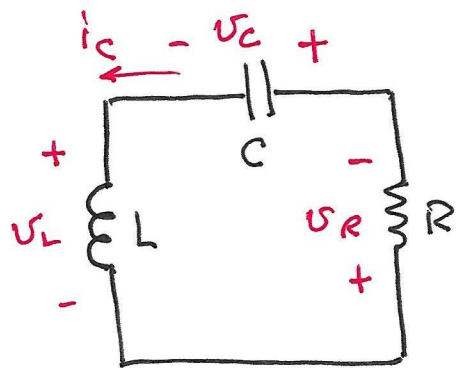


# RLC Circuits



$$i_c = C \dot{v}_c$$

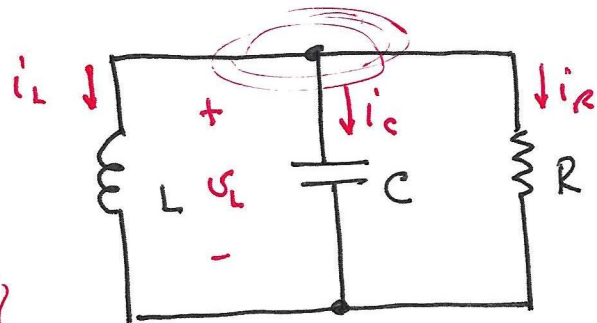
$$v_L = L \frac{di_c}{dt} = LC \ddot{v}_c$$

$$v_R = R i_c = RC \dot{v}_c$$

KVL:  $v_L + v_R + v_C = 0$

$$LC \ddot{v}_c + RC \dot{v}_c + v_c = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \ddot{v}_c + \frac{R}{L} \dot{v}_c + \frac{1}{LC} v_c = 0$$



$$v_L = L \frac{di_L}{dt}$$

$$i_c = C \dot{v}_L = CL \frac{d^2 i_L}{dt^2}$$

$$i_R = \frac{v_L}{R} = \frac{L}{R} \frac{di_L}{dt}$$

KCL:  $i_c + i_R + i_L = 0$

$$CL \frac{d^2 i_L}{dt^2} + \frac{L}{R} \frac{di_L}{dt} + i_L = 0$$

$$\frac{d^2 i_L}{dt^2} + \frac{1}{RC} \frac{di_L}{dt} + \frac{1}{LC} i_L = 0$$

Both are described by a 2<sup>nd</sup> order ODE of the form:

$$a \ddot{x} + b \dot{x} + cx = 0$$

Guess that  $x = Ke^{\alpha t}$

$$a \alpha^2 (Ke^{\alpha t}) + b \alpha (Ke^{\alpha t}) + c (Ke^{\alpha t}) = 0$$

$$a \alpha^2 + b \alpha + c = 0$$

Characteristic  
Equation

$$\alpha = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$a = LC, b = RC, c = 1$$

or

$$a = 1, b = \frac{R}{L}, c = \frac{1}{LC}$$

$$a = LC, b = \frac{L}{R}, c = 1$$

or

$$a = 1, b = \frac{1}{RC}, c = \frac{1}{LC}$$

Case 1: If  $b^2 > 4ac$ , then  $\sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}$  is a positive real number.

Both roots are real, and distinct.

$$\alpha_1 = \frac{-b + \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}, \quad \alpha_2 = \frac{-b - \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$\therefore x = K_1 e^{\alpha_1 t} + K_2 e^{\alpha_2 t}$$

Case 2: If  $b^2 - 4ac = 0$  or  $b^2 = 4ac$

$$\alpha = \alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \frac{-b}{2a}$$

$$x = (K_1 + K_2 t) e^{\alpha t}$$

Case 3 :  $b = 0$

Then

$$\alpha = \frac{\pm \sqrt{-4ac}}{2a}$$

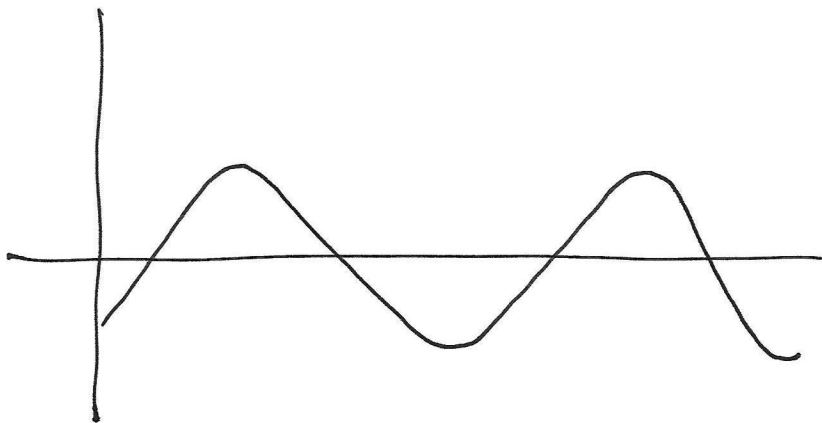
$$d = \pm \sqrt{-d^2} = \pm j d \sqrt{-1}$$

$$x = K_1 e^{jdt} + K_2 e^{-jdt}$$

Euler's Identity :

$$e^{\pm j\theta} = \cos \theta \pm j \sin \theta$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore x &= K_1 (\cos dt + j \sin dt) + K_2 (\cos dt - j \sin dt) \\ &= \underbrace{(K_1 + K_2)}_{\text{real}} \cos dt + \underbrace{j(K_1 - K_2)}_{\text{real}} \sin dt \\ &= K_3 \cos dt + K_4 \sin dt \end{aligned}$$



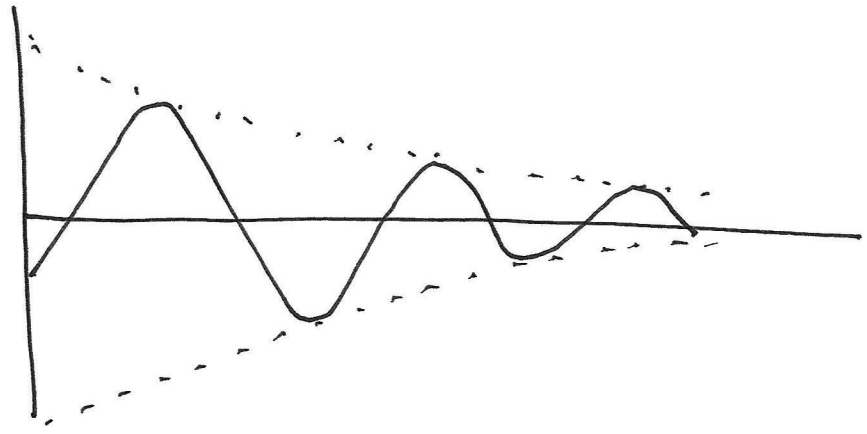
Case 4:

$$\alpha_1 = \frac{-b + \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}, \quad \alpha_2 = \frac{-b - \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$b^2 < 4ac$ , so that the  $\alpha$ 's are complex

$$\alpha_{1,2} = e^{\pm jd}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= K_1 e^{(e+jd)t} + K_2 e^{(e-jd)t} \\ &= e^{et} [K_1 e^{jdt} + K_2 e^{-jdt}] \\ &= e^{et} [K_3 \cos dt + K_4 \sin dt] \end{aligned}$$



## Example

$$\alpha^2 + 3\alpha + 2 = 0 \quad \text{characteristic equation}$$

$$(\alpha + 1)(\alpha + 2) = 0$$

$$x = K_1 e^{-1t} + K_2 e^{-2t}$$

The usual way to determine the  $K$ 's is to use initial conditions for  $x$  and  $\dot{x}$

Assume  $x(0) = 1$

$$\dot{x}(0) = 0$$

$$\dot{x} = -1K_1 e^{-1t} - 2K_2 e^{-2t}$$

$$x(0) = K_1 + K_2 = 1$$

$$\dot{x}(0) = -K_1 - 2K_2 = 0$$

$$K_2 - 2K_2 = 1 + 0$$

$$K_2 = -1$$

$$\therefore K_1 = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2e^{-t} - e^{-2t}, \quad t \geq 0$$



## Example 2

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$$\ddot{x} + 4 = 0$$

$$x(0) = 10$$

$$\dot{x}(0) = 4$$

$$(x + j2)(x - j2) = 0$$

$$x = K_1 \cos 2t + K_2 \sin 2t$$

$$\dot{x} = -2K_1 \sin 2t + 2K_2 \cos 2t$$

$$x(0) = K_1 = 10$$

$$\dot{x}(0) = 2K_2 = 4$$

$$\therefore x(t) = 10 \cos 2t + 2 \sin 2t, \quad t \geq 0$$

### Example 3

$$\ddot{x} + 4\dot{x} + 13x = 0$$

$$x(0) = 0$$

$$\alpha^2 + 4\alpha + 13 = 0$$

$$\dot{x}(0) = 1$$

$$(\alpha + 2) + 9 = 0$$

$$(\alpha + 2) + 3^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = -2 \pm j3$$

$$x = K_1 e^{(-2+j3)t} + K_2 e^{(-2-j3)t}$$

$$= e^{-2t} (K_1 e^{j3t} + K_2 e^{-j3t})$$

$$x = e^{-2t} [(K_1 + K_2) \cos 3t + j(K_1 - K_2) \sin 3t]$$

$$\dot{x} = -2e^{-2t} [(K_1 + K_2) \cos 3t + j(K_1 - K_2) \sin 3t] \\ + e^{-2t} [-3(K_1 + K_2) \sin 3t + j3(K_1 - K_2) \cos 3t]$$

$$x(0) = K_1 + K_2 = 0$$

$$\dot{x}(0) = -2(K_1 + K_2) + j3(K_1 - K_2) = 1$$

Solve for  $K_1$  and  $K_2$