

Basic Electrical Circuits
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Lecture - 141

We have already seen the kind of the natural response we will get from a second order circuit when we have real and distinct roots for the characteristic equation, we will get two exponentials. Now, if we have real, but coincidence roots we have already seen it, but I will just show it any ways.

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Real, coincident roots, $p_1 = p_2 = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}} \exp(p_1 t)$

$v_c(t) = (A_1 + A_2 t) \exp\left(-\frac{t}{\sqrt{LC}}\right)$

$i_L(t) = c \left[(A_1 + A_2 t) \cdot \exp(p_1 t) + A_2 \cdot \exp(p_1 t) \right]$

$i_L(t) = c \cdot \frac{dv_c}{dt}$

$v_c(0) = A_1$

$i_L(0) = c \left[A_1 p_1 + A_2 \right]$

In this case p_1 will be equal to p_2 and each of them will be equal to 1 over square root $L C$. and in this case the response the natural response will be of course, this is for our usual $R L C$ circuit the natural response for V_c is going to be A_1 plus $A_2 t$ exponential minus t by square root $L C$ this is basically exponential $p_1 t$. Now, how do you determine the constants A_1 and A_2 as usual it is by applying into initial conditions.

We will have initial conditions V_c of 0 and i_L of 0 we know that i_L of t which is the current in the inductor is the same as the current in a capacitor. So, it is c times $d V_c$ by $d t$. So, i_L of t will be c times the time derivative of this, which is A_1 plus $A_2 t$ times p_1 exponential $p_1 t$ this is a chain rule first time differential in the this part of it plus A_2 times exponential $p_1 t$. So, from the first one we will get V_c of 0 to be A_1 and from the second one we will get i_L of 0 to be c times $A_1 p_1$ plus A_2 we have two equations in two unknowns and we can find both A_1 and A_2 .

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Complex conjugate roots: $p_1, p_2 = p_r \pm j p_i$

$$v_c(t) = A_1 \exp(p_1 t) + A_1^* \exp(p_2 t)$$

$$= A_1 \exp(p_r t + j p_i t) + A_1^* \exp(p_r t - j p_i t)$$

$$= \underbrace{A_1 \exp(p_r t)}_{\text{real}} \cdot \underbrace{\exp(j p_i t)}_{\text{complex}} + \underbrace{A_1^* \exp(p_r t)}_{\text{real}} \cdot \underbrace{\exp(-j p_i t)}_{\text{complex}}$$

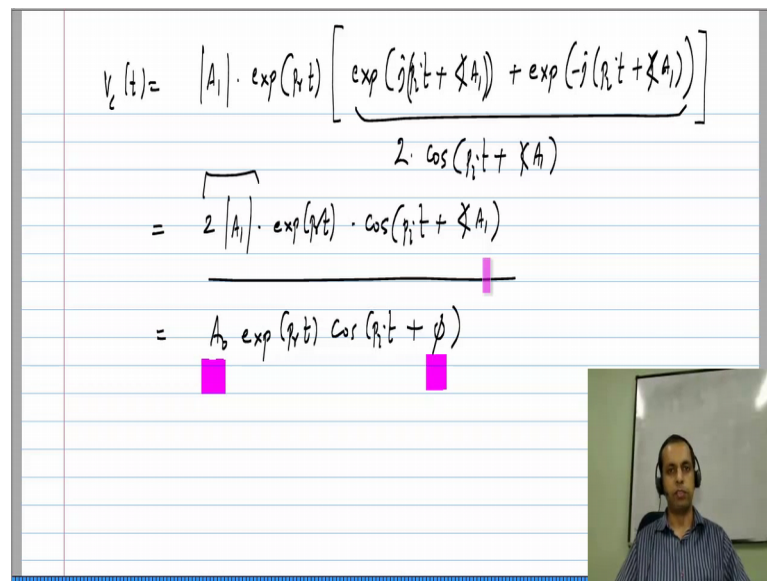
$$A_1 = |A_1| \exp(j \angle A_1)$$

Now, we have complex conjugate roots we will have p_1 and p_2 to be some real part plus minus j times the same imaginary part and the real part will be minus R by L , the imaginary part you know the expression for this will be plus minus j times square root of 1 over $L C$ minus R by $2 L$ square. So, again the response will be of the form A_1 exponential $p_1 t$ plus A_2 exponential $p_2 t$, now in this case p_2 is of course, p_1 conjugate. So, A_2 will also be A_1 conjugate, so that the whole expression is real.

Now, if I substitute the form of p_1 and p_2 I will have p_r times t plus $j p_i$ times t plus A_1 conjugate exponential p_r times t minus $j p_i$ times t which after factoring out exponential $p_r t$ outside we will have exponential $j p_i t$ plus A_1 conjugate exponential $p_r t$ exponential minus $j p_i t$, this is a real number exponential $p_r t$ and is common to the two terms here.

Now, the other part you can see that we have A_1 times exponential $j p_i t$ it is some complex number, the other part A_1 conjugate times exponential minus $j p_i t$ is also a complex number and it is complex conjugate of the first one. Now, the most convenient way to simplify this further is to represent A_1 in polar. So, let us say A_1 is the magnitude of A_1 exponential j times the angle of A_1 .

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$$\begin{aligned} v_c(t) &= |A_1| \cdot \exp(\rho_r t) \left[\underbrace{\exp(j\beta_1 t + \angle A_1) + \exp(-j(\beta_1 t + \angle A_1))}_{2 \cdot \cos(\beta_1 t + \angle A_1)} \right] \\ &= \underbrace{2 |A_1| \cdot \exp(\rho_r t)}_{A_0} \cdot \underbrace{\cos(\beta_1 t + \angle A_1)}_{\phi} \\ &= A_0 \exp(\rho_r t) \cos(\beta_1 t + \phi) \end{aligned}$$

Whatever that is substituting in that what we will get is $V_c(t)$ is the magnitude of A_1 exponential $\rho_r t$ this will be common factor to the whole thing and then we will have exponential $j\beta_1 t + \angle A_1$ plus exponential minus $j\beta_1 t + \angle A_1$ and you realize that this is nothing but, 2 times $\cos(\beta_1 t + \angle A_1)$. So, this whole thing can be written as 2 times absolute value A_1 exponential $\rho_r t$ and $\cos(\beta_1 t + \angle A_1)$.

So, again you have two constants you can think of them originally we had A_1 and A_1^* now we have A_0 and ϕ , but A_1 itself has the real and imaginary part A_1^r and $j A_1^i$ or the magnitude and the angle. So, we can represent that in any way you want, but finally, will have two equations from two initial conditions and you can find these two numbers.

Typically it is easiest we can find these two does not have much significance here this whole thing is some constant $A_0 \exp(\rho_r t) \cos(\beta_1 t + \phi)$. So, we have two constants A_0 and ϕ which we can find from the initial conditions. So, these are the responses when we have real coincidence roots and when we have complex conjugate roots for the characteristic equation of the second order system.