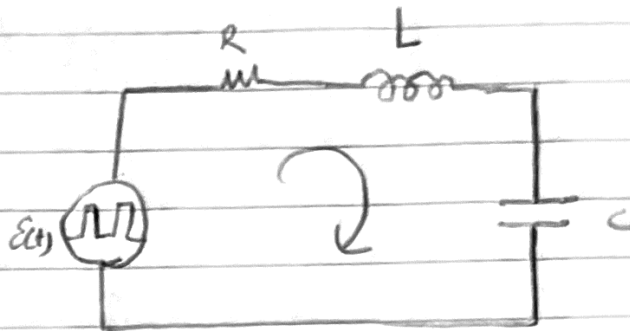


Experiment 7

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Damped Oscillations

RLC circuit



$$\mathcal{E} = IR + L \frac{dI}{dt} + \frac{Q}{C}$$

$$\mathcal{E} = R \frac{dQ}{dt} + L \frac{d^2Q}{dt^2} + \frac{Q}{C}$$

The solution of this 2nd order linear differential equation is mathematically involved, therefore we solve it by this way (see appendix B)

$$Q(t) = A_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} + A_2 e^{\lambda_2 t} \quad (1)$$

$$V(t) = A e^{\lambda_1 t} + B e^{\lambda_2 t}$$

Where A_1 and A_2 are constants and

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{-R}{2L} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{R}{2L}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{LC}} \quad (2)$$

$$\lambda_2 = \frac{-R}{2L} - \sqrt{\left(\frac{R}{2L}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{LC}}$$

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Case 1 critical damping

$$\left(\frac{R}{2L}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{LC}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{R^2}{4L^2} = \frac{1}{LC} \Rightarrow \frac{R^2}{4L} = \frac{1}{C}$$

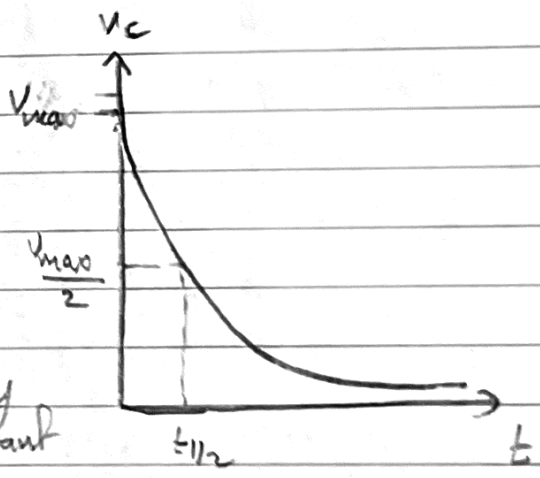
$$\Rightarrow R^2 = \frac{4L}{C} \Rightarrow R_{\text{critical}} = 2\sqrt{\frac{L}{C}}$$

the term under the square root $\left(\sqrt{\left(\frac{R}{2L}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{LC}}\right)$

vanishes so

$$\lambda_+ = \lambda_- = -\frac{R}{2L}$$

$$* t_{1/2} = \frac{2L \cdot \ln 2}{R} = \frac{\ln 2}{-\lambda}$$



Let $\delta = \frac{R}{2L}$ δ or λ

$$Q(t) = Q_0 e^{-\delta t/2}$$

decay constant

$$\frac{Q_0}{2} = Q_0 e^{-\delta t_{1/2}/2}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} = e^{-\delta t_{1/2}/2}$$

$$\ln 1 - \ln 2 = -\delta t_{1/2}/2$$

$$-\ln 2 = -\delta t_{1/2}/2$$

$$\ln 2 = \delta t_{1/2}/2$$

$$t_{1/2} = \frac{\ln 2}{\delta} \text{ Up to } \frac{2L}{R}$$

(3)
L, R, C

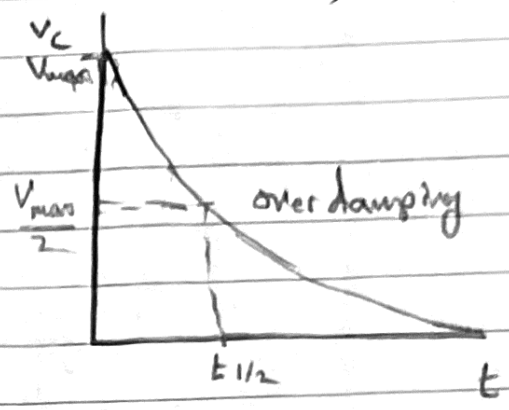
case (2) over damping

$$\left(\frac{R}{2L}\right)^2 > \frac{1}{LC}$$

both terms in eq (1) decay

exponentially with time and the voltage

across the capacitor is said to be over damped



case (3) under damping

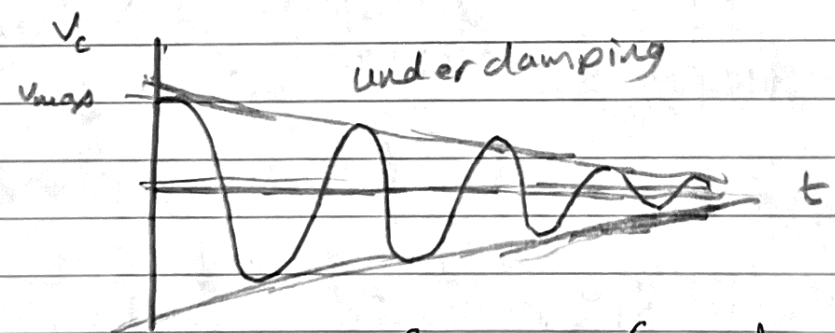
$$\left(\frac{R}{2L}\right)^2 < \frac{1}{LC}$$

the term under the square root in eq (2) becomes negative

$$Q(t) = Q_0 e^{-\delta t} \cos(\omega' t + \phi)$$

$$\delta = \frac{R}{2L}$$

$$\omega = 2\pi f \Rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{1}{LC} - \left(\frac{R}{2L}\right)^2} \Rightarrow f = \frac{\omega}{2\pi}$$



$$\delta_{\text{under}} < \delta_{\text{over}} < \delta_{\text{critical}}$$

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