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# Electrical Science: 2021-22 Lecture 11 Second Order Circuits

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# **Second Order Circuit**

• First Order Circuit: Any circuit with a single energy storage element, an arbitrary number of sources, and an arbitrary number of resistors is a circuit of order 1.



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Order of the differential equation (DE) required to describe the circuit The number of independent\* energy storage elements (C's and L's)

\* C's and L's are independent if they cannot be combined with other C's and L's (in series or parallel, for example)

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# **Applications of Second Order Circuits**



**DC Boost Converters** 

$$v_{c} + Ri + L\frac{di}{dt} = 0$$
Inserting  $i = C\frac{dv}{dt}$ ;  

$$v_{c} + RC\frac{dv}{dt} + LC\frac{d^{2}v}{dt^{2}} = 0$$

$$\gg \frac{d^{2}v}{dt^{2}} + \frac{R}{L}\frac{dv}{dt} + \frac{1}{LC}v = 0$$

$$\gg \frac{d^{2}y(t)}{dt^{2}} + 2\alpha\frac{dy(t)}{dt} + \omega_{n}^{2}y(t) = 0 \qquad \alpha = \frac{R}{2L}; \ \omega_{n} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}};$$

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 $y(t) = A_1 e^{s_1 t} + A_2 e^{s_2 t}$ ( $A_1$  and  $A_2$  arearbitrary constants and are determined from the initial conditions)

Three types of solutions are inferred: 1. If  $\alpha > \omega_n$ , we have the over-damped case. 2. If  $\alpha = \omega_n$ , we have the critically-damped case. 3. If  $\alpha < \omega_n$ , we have the under-damped case.

Overdamped Case (α > ω<sub>0</sub>)
 α > ω<sub>0</sub> implies R<sup>2</sup> > 4L/C

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When this happens, both roots  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  are negative and real.

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Assume initial inductor current  $I_0$  and t = 0initial capacitor voltage  $V_0$ , i(t) Three elements are in parallel, they L have the same voltage *v* across them. Applying KCL at the top node gives,  $\frac{v}{R} + \frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{0} v(\tau) d\tau + C \frac{dv}{dt} = 0$  $\frac{d^2v}{dt^2} + \frac{1}{RC}\frac{dv}{dt} + \frac{1}{LC}v = 0$  $s^2 + \frac{1}{RC}s + \frac{1}{LC} = 0$  $s_{1,2} = \frac{1}{2RC} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{2RC}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{LC}}$  $\overline{s_{1,2}} = -\alpha \pm \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_0^2} , \quad \alpha = \frac{1}{2RC},$  $\omega_0 = \omega$ 

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**Overdamped Case**  $(a > \omega_0)$   $a > \omega_0 => L/C > 4R^2$ . The roots of the characteristic equation are real and negative. The response is,  $v(t) = A_1 e^{s_1 t} + A_2 e^{s_2 t}$  **Critically Damped Case**  $(a = \omega_0)$   $a = \omega_0 => L/C = 4R^2$ . The roots are real and equal so "that the response is,  $v(t) = (A_1 + A_2 t)e^{-\alpha t}$ **Underdamped Case**  $(a < \omega_0)$ 

 $\alpha < \omega_0 \Longrightarrow L/C < 4R^2. \text{ In this case the roots are complex conjugates}$ expressed as  $s_{1,2} = -\alpha \pm j\omega_d; \ \omega_d = \sqrt{\omega_0^2 - \alpha^2}$  $v(t) = e^{-\alpha t} (A_1 \cos \omega_d t + A_2 \sin \omega_d t)$ 

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