



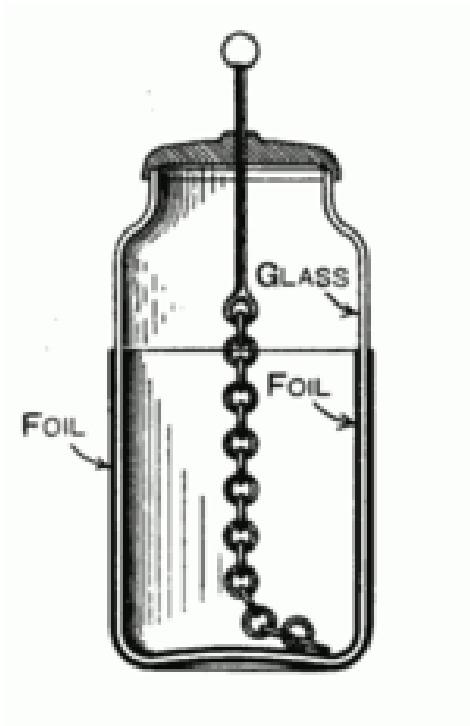
Chap.7 Supplement

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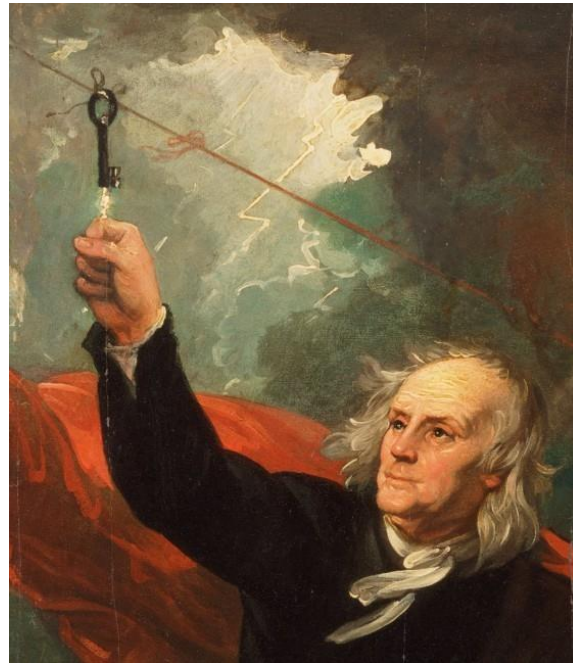
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Brief History of Discovering RLC #1



Leyden jar
(1745)



Kite experiment
(1752)

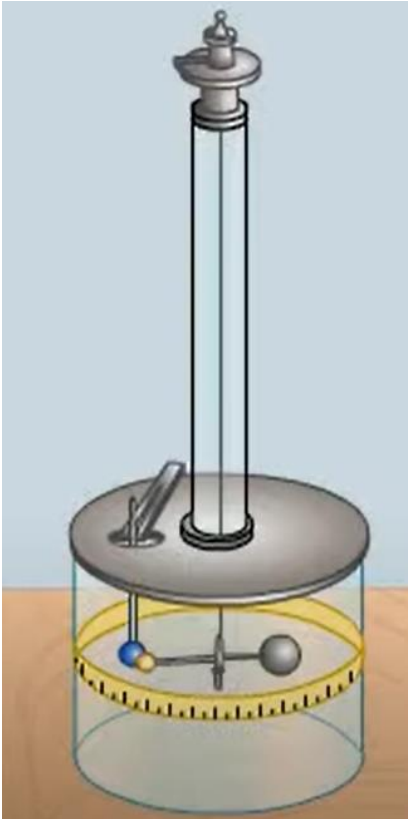


Lightning Rod
(Franklin Rod)

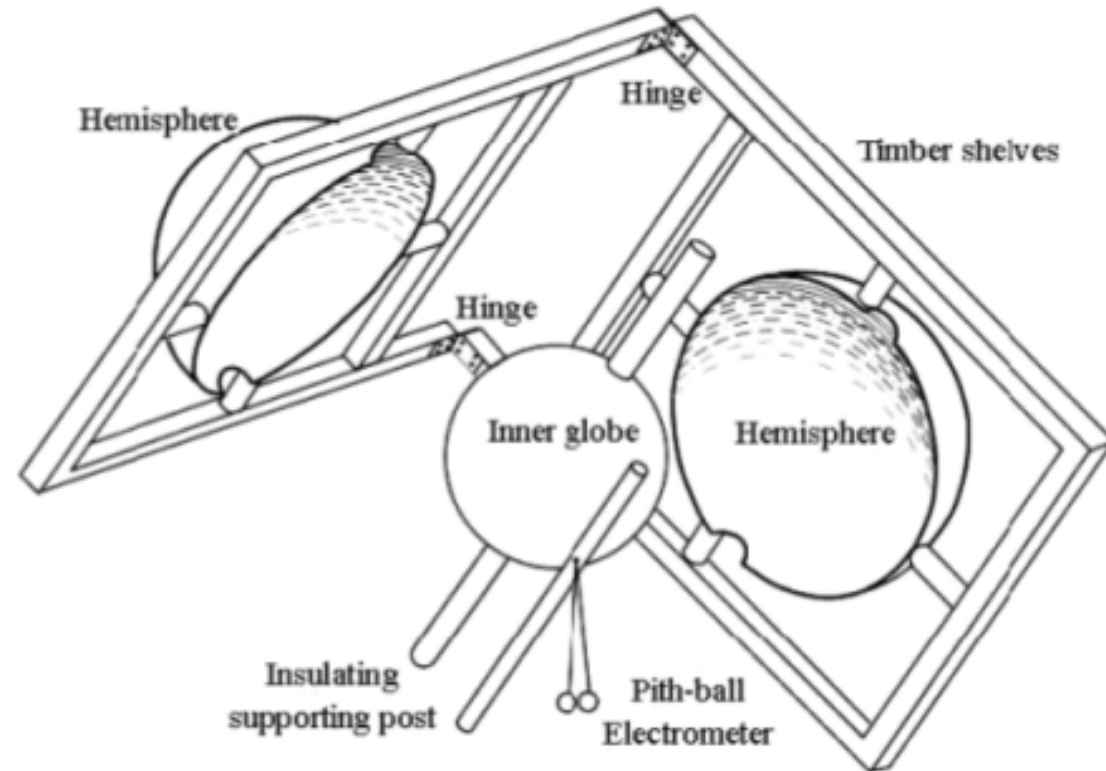


Laser-guided lightning,
Nat. Photon. (2023).

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Coulomb's Torsion Balance (1785)



Cavendish's Shielding Test (1773)

For more discussions, see [AJP 60](#), 988 (1992)



Justification of Inverse-Square Law

Cavendish and Maxwell conducted experiments to test the inverse-square nature of electrical force. This problem gives the theory behind their experiments.

- (a) Assume that Coulomb's law takes the form of $kq_1q_2/r^{2+\delta}$. Given a hollow spherical shell with radius R and uniformly distributed charge Q , show that the potential at radius r is (with $f(x) = x^{1-\delta}$ and $k \equiv 1/4\pi\epsilon_0$)

$$\phi(r) = \frac{kQ}{2(1-\delta^2)rR} [f(R+r) - f(R-r)] \quad (\text{for } r < R),$$

$$\phi(r) = \frac{kQ}{2(1-\delta^2)rR} [f(R+r) - f(r-R)] \quad (\text{for } r > R).$$

- (b) Consider two concentric shells with radii a and b (with $a > b$) and uniformly distributed charges Q_a and Q_b . Show that the potentials on the shells are given by

$$\phi_a = \frac{kQ_a}{2a^2} f(2a) + \frac{kQ_b}{2ab} [f(a+b) - f(a-b)],$$

$$\phi_b = \frac{kQ_b}{2b^2} f(2b) + \frac{kQ_a}{2ab} [f(a+b) - f(a-b)].$$

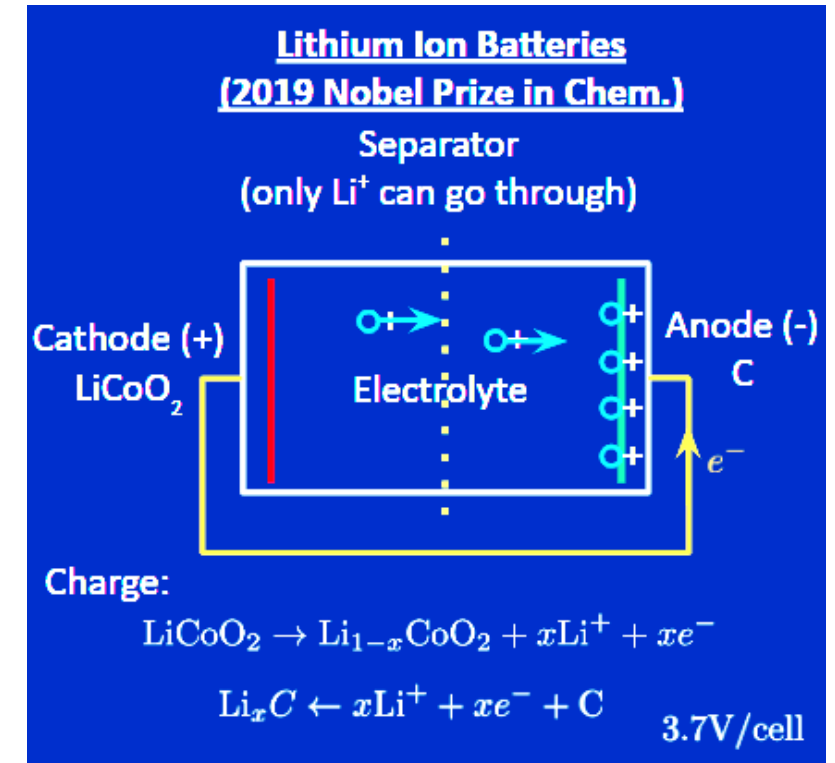
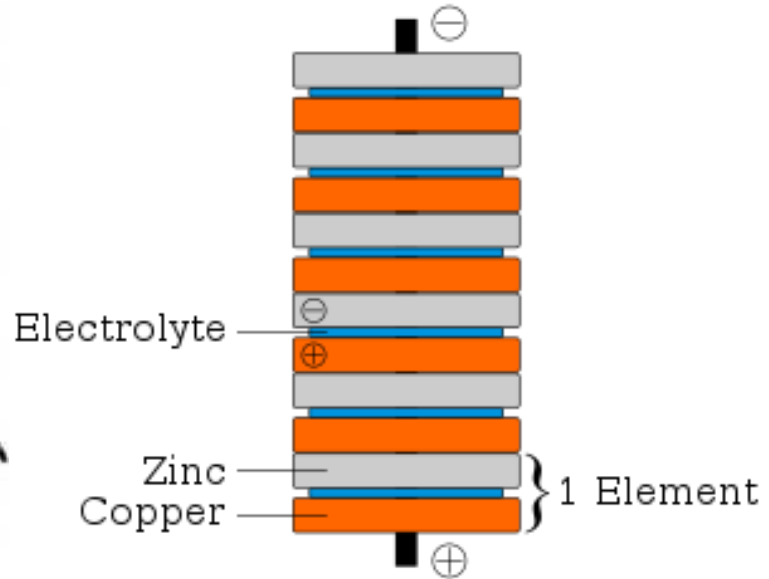
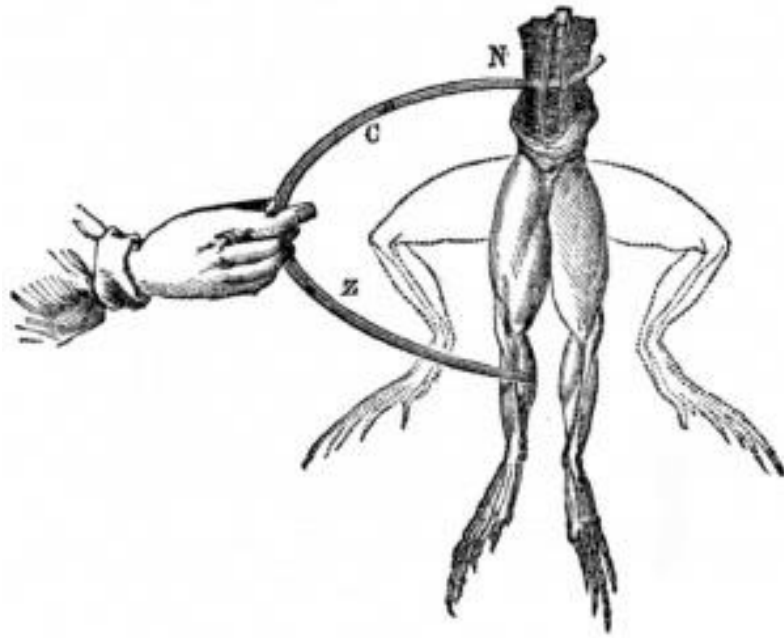
- (c) Show that if the shells are connected, so that they are at the same potential ϕ , then the charge on the inner shell is

$$Q_b = \frac{2b\phi}{k} \cdot \frac{bf(2a) - a[f(a+b) - f(a-b)]}{f(2a)f(2b) - [f(a+b) - f(a-b)]^2}.$$

If $\delta = 0$ so that $f(x) = x$, then Q_b equals zero, as it should. So if Q_b is measured to be nonzero, then δ must be nonzero.

For small δ it is possible to expand Q_b to first order in δ by using the approximation $f(x) = xe^{-\delta \ln x} \approx x(1 - \delta \ln x)$, but this gets very messy. You are encouraged instead to use a computer to calculate and plot Q_b for various values of a , b , and δ . You can also trivially expand Q_b to first order in δ by using the Series operation in *Mathematica*.

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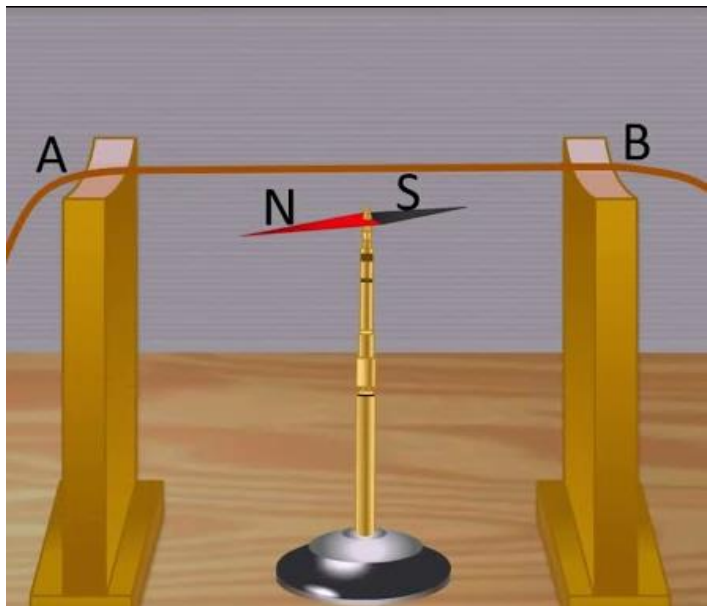


Galvani's animal electricity vs. Volta's metallic electricity
(1780~1800)

Note: Electron is found by Thomson in 1897.

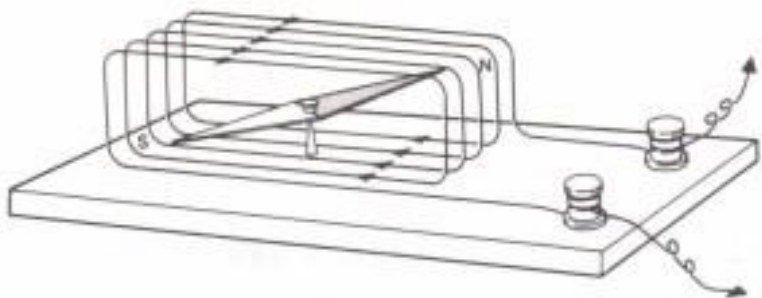


Brief History of Discovering RLC #2

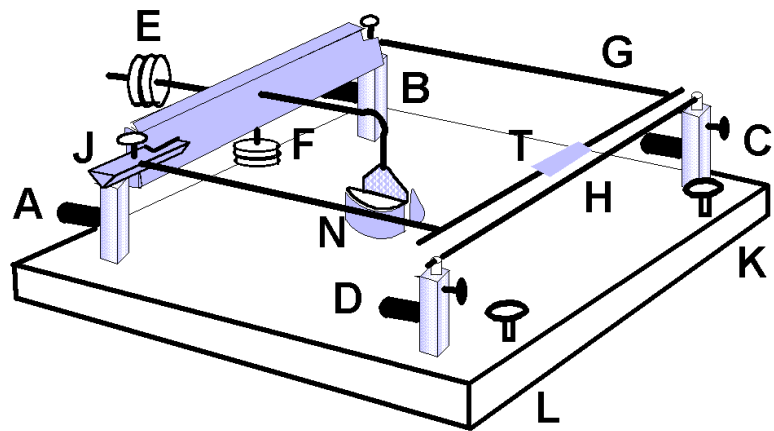


Oersted's Experiment(1820)

[See [AJP](#) 85, 369 (2017)]



Schweigger's galvanometer
(1820)



Ampère's current balance (1820)
→ Ampère's Force Law

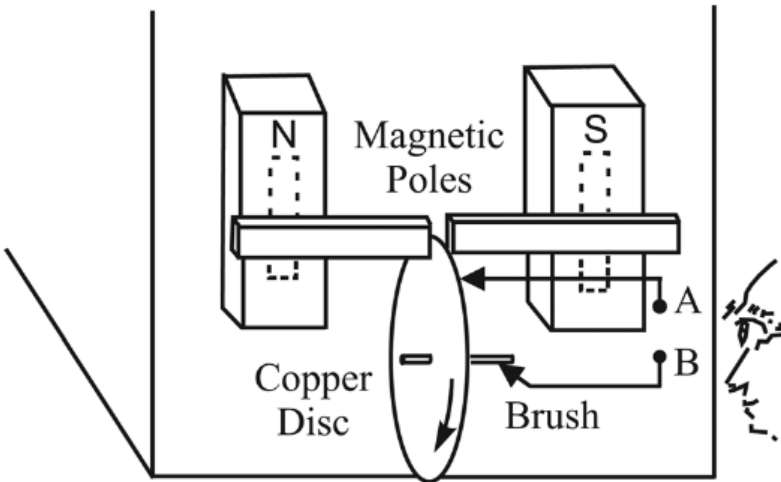
[See [AJP](#) 77, 721 (2009)]

$$\frac{F_m}{L} = 2k_A \frac{I_1 I_2}{r}$$



Brief History of Discovering RLC #2

a historical misnomer



Faraday's dynamo(1831)
(*why not Ampere's?*)

[See [AJP](#) 81, 907 (2013)]

$$\oint_C \mathbf{B} \cdot d\vec{\ell} = \mu_0 \sum_i I_i$$

Ampere's circuital Law &
Right-hand Rule(1826)

“The total intensity of magnetizing force in a closed curve passing through and embracing the closed current is constant, and may therefore be made a measure of the quantity of the current.”

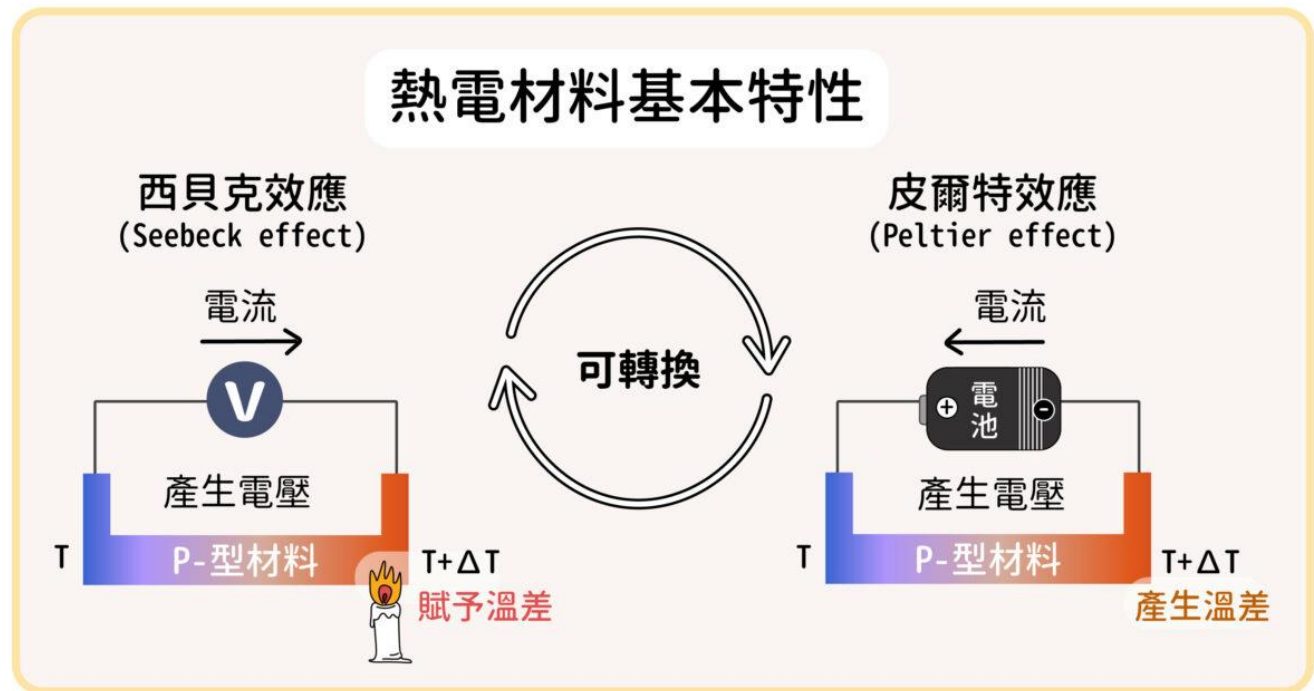
— Maxwell

[See [AJP](#) 67, 448 (1999)]

Brief History of Discovering RLC #2



Georg S. Ohm (1789 ~1854)



Credit: Academia Sinica.



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Georg S. Ohm (1789 ~1854)

Ohm's work (published in 1827) was not appreciated or even understood in his time for several *possible* reasons:

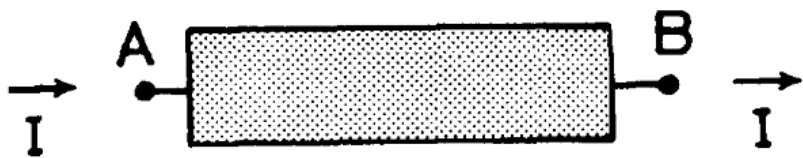
1. Too much mathematics
2. Different conclusion from Ampère in 1820
3. Introduction of electromotive force

He received Copley Medal in 1841, “for his research into the laws of electric currents.”

[See [AJP](#) 31, 536 (1963)]



What do Voltmeters measure?



Potential Drop: $\tilde{V} = V_A - V_B$

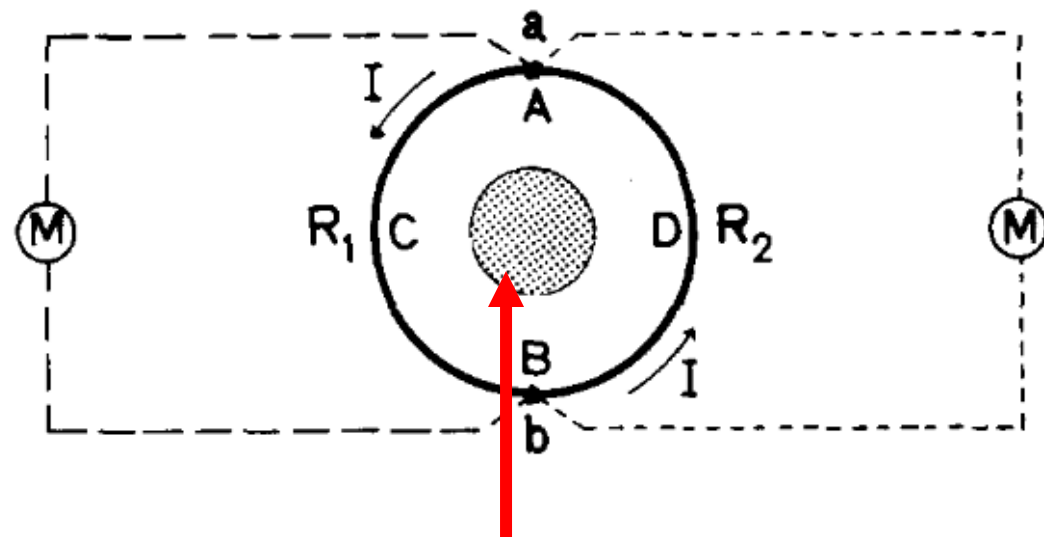
Ohm's Law: $IR = \tilde{V} + \varepsilon$

$\tilde{V}$: Potential drop, by "conservative Coulomb forces"

ε : EMF, by "non-Coulomb forces"

Special-case check: $IR = \tilde{V} + \varepsilon = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \varepsilon = V_B - V_A$$



Uniformly-Changing B -field
 $\rightarrow$ Constant EMF

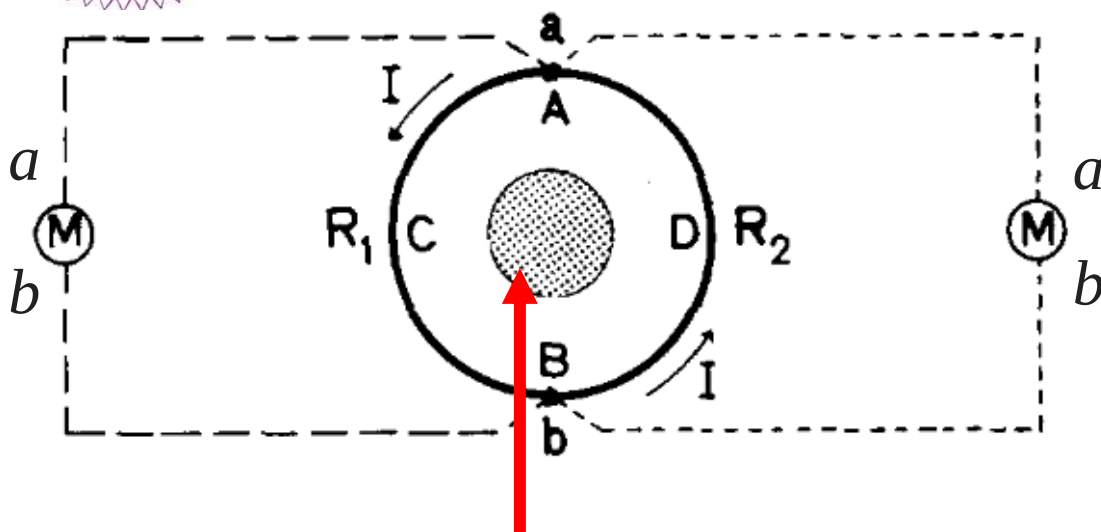
$$\text{Left loop: } R_1 I = (V_A - V_B) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

$$\text{Right loop: } R_2 I = (V_B - V_A) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$



See [AJP 50](#), 1048 (1982); [AJP 50](#), 1089 (1982)

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$$\text{Right loop: } R_2 I = (V_B - V_A) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

$$R_1 \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{R_1 + R_2} \right) = (V_A - V_B) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow V_A - V_B = \frac{1}{2} \frac{R_1 - R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \varepsilon$$

Generally, the indicated voltage is equal to $\tilde{V} + \varepsilon$

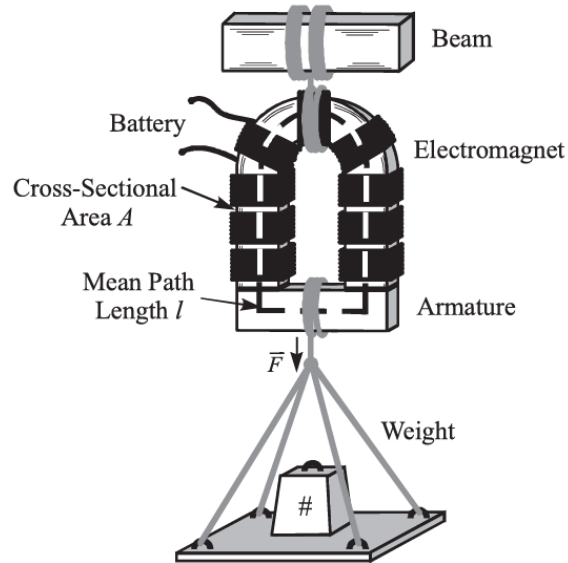
Therefore, the voltage indicated by the meters are

$$\text{Left: } (V_A - V_B) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \frac{\varepsilon R_1}{R_1 + R_2} \quad (V_a \text{ is higher})$$

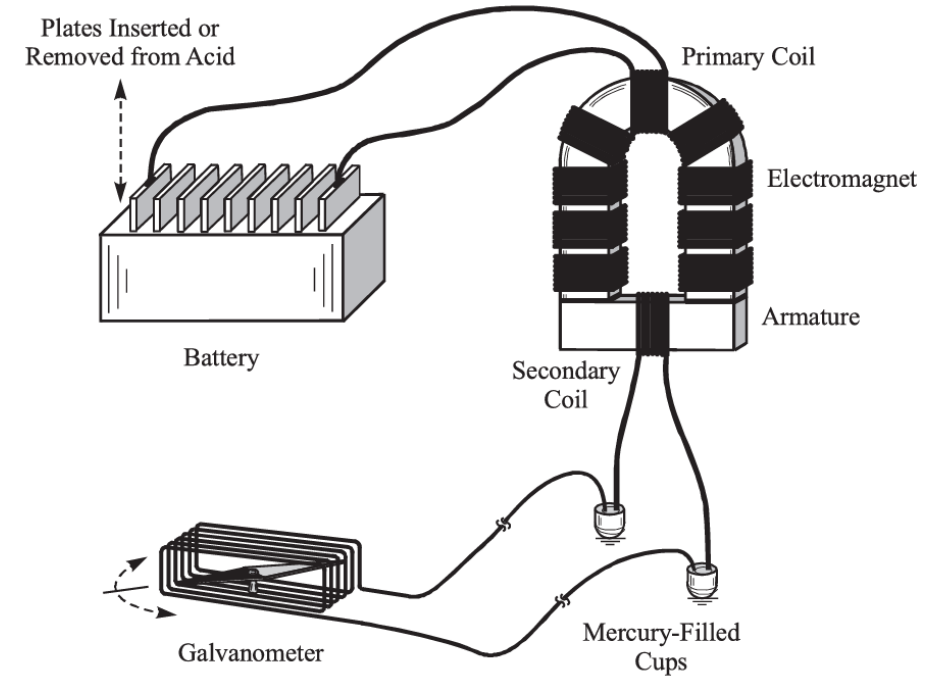
$$\text{Right: } (V_A - V_B) - \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \frac{-\varepsilon R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \quad (V_a \text{ is lower})$$

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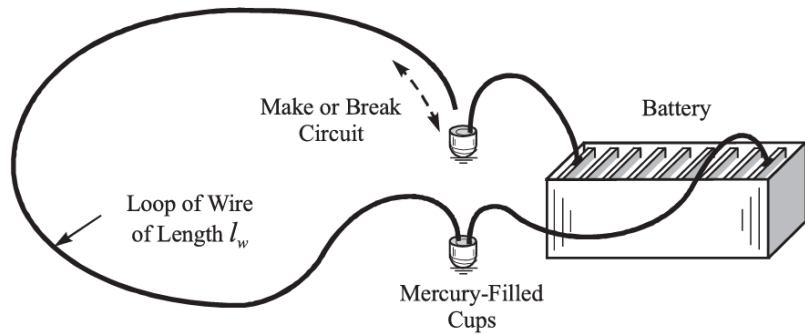
Joseph Henry (1797~1878)



Henry's electromagnet (1831)



Henry's mutual inductance (1832)

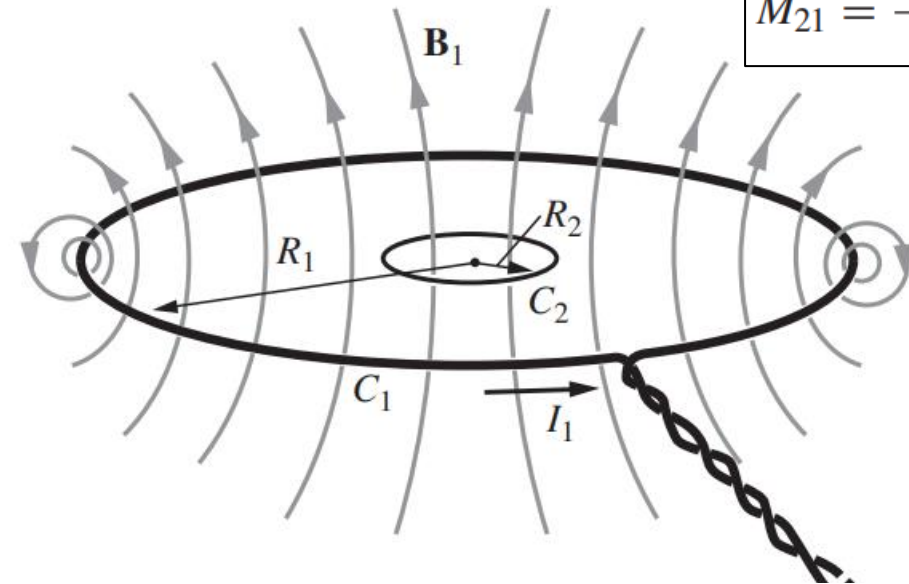
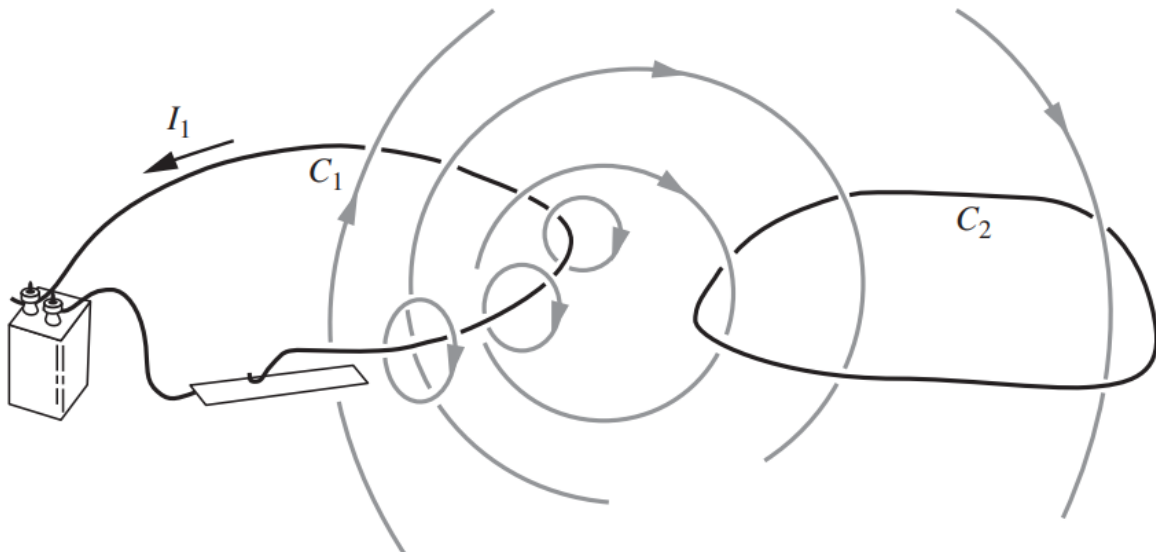


Henry's self-inductance (1832)



Brief History of Discovering RLC #3

$$M_{21} = \frac{\mu_0 \pi N_1 N_2 R_2^2}{2R_1}$$



$$\Phi_{21} = \int_{S_2} \mathbf{B}_1 \cdot d\mathbf{a}_2 \quad \frac{\Phi_{21}}{I_1} = \text{constant} \equiv M_{21}$$

$$\mathcal{E}_{21} = -\frac{d\Phi_{21}}{dt} \implies \mathcal{E}_{21} = -M_{21} \frac{dI_1}{dt}$$

$$1 \text{ henry} = 1 \frac{\text{volt} \cdot \text{second}}{\text{amp}} = 1 \text{ ohm} \cdot \text{second}$$

$$B_1 = \frac{\mu_0 I_1}{2R_1} \quad \Phi_{21} = (\pi R_2^2) \frac{\mu_0 I_1}{2R_1} = \frac{\mu_0 \pi I_1 R_2^2}{2R_1}$$

$$M_{21} = \frac{\Phi_{21}}{I_1} = \frac{\mu_0 \pi R_2^2}{2R_1}$$

$$\mathcal{E}_{21} = -M_{21} \frac{dI_1}{dt} = -\frac{\mu_0 \pi R_2^2}{2R_1} \frac{dI_1}{dt}$$



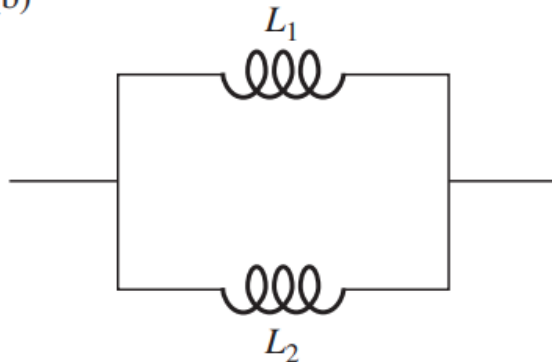
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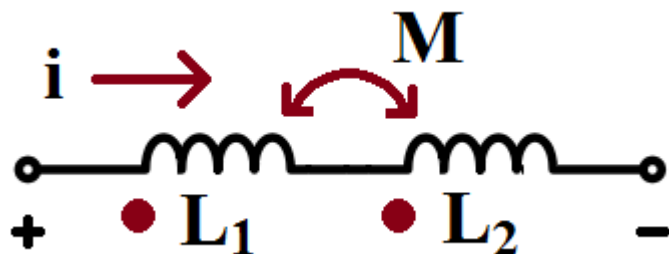


$$L \frac{dI}{dt} = L_1 \frac{dI}{dt} + L_2 \frac{dI}{dt} \implies L = L_1 + L_2.$$

(b)



$$\begin{aligned} dI/dt &= V/L \\ I &= I_1 + I_2 \end{aligned} \quad \frac{V}{L} = \frac{V}{L_1} + \frac{V}{L_2} \implies \frac{1}{L} = \frac{1}{L_1} + \frac{1}{L_2}.$$

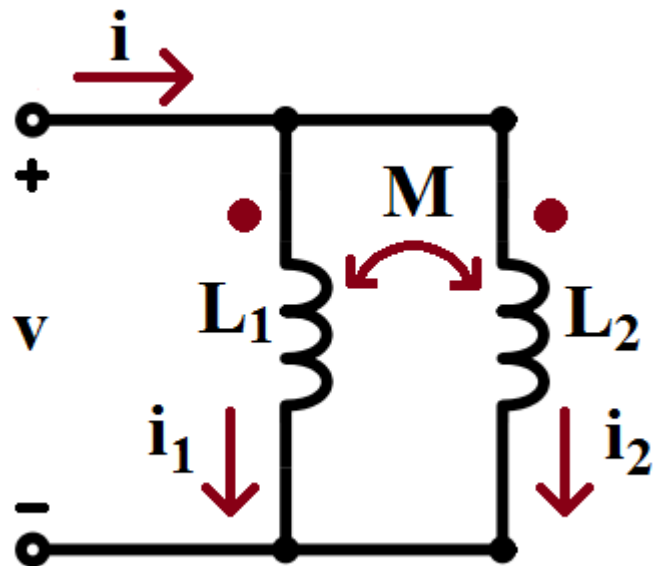


$$-v + L_1 \frac{di}{dt} + M \frac{di}{dt} + L_2 \frac{di}{dt} + M \frac{di}{dt} = 0$$

$$v = (L_1 + L_2 + 2M) \frac{di}{dt} \quad L_{eq} = L_1 + L_2 + 2M$$



Brief History of Discovering RLC #3



$$\begin{aligned} -v + L_1 \frac{di_1}{dt} + M \frac{di_2}{dt} &= 0 & \frac{di_1}{dt} &= \frac{v(L_2 - M)}{L_1 L_2 - M^2} \\ -v + L_2 \frac{di_2}{dt} + M \frac{di_1}{dt} &= 0 & \frac{di_2}{dt} &= \frac{v(L_1 - M)}{L_1 L_2 - M^2} \end{aligned}$$

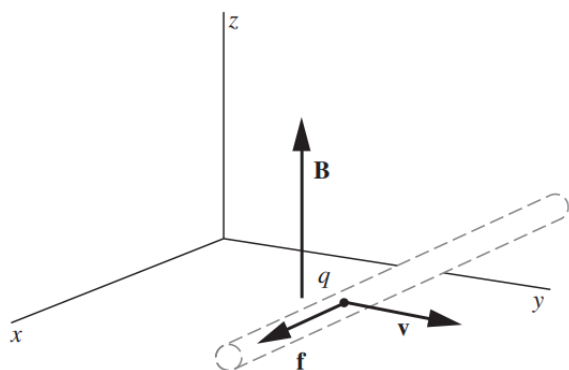
$$\frac{di}{dt} = \frac{di_1}{dt} + \frac{di_2}{dt} = \frac{v(L_1 + L_2 - 2M)}{L_1 L_2 - M^2}$$

$$v = \frac{L_1 L_2 - M^2}{L_1 + L_2 - 2M} \frac{di}{dt}$$

$$L_{eq} = \frac{L_1 L_2 - M^2}{L_1 + L_2 - 2M}$$



Electrodynamic Tethers (EDTs)



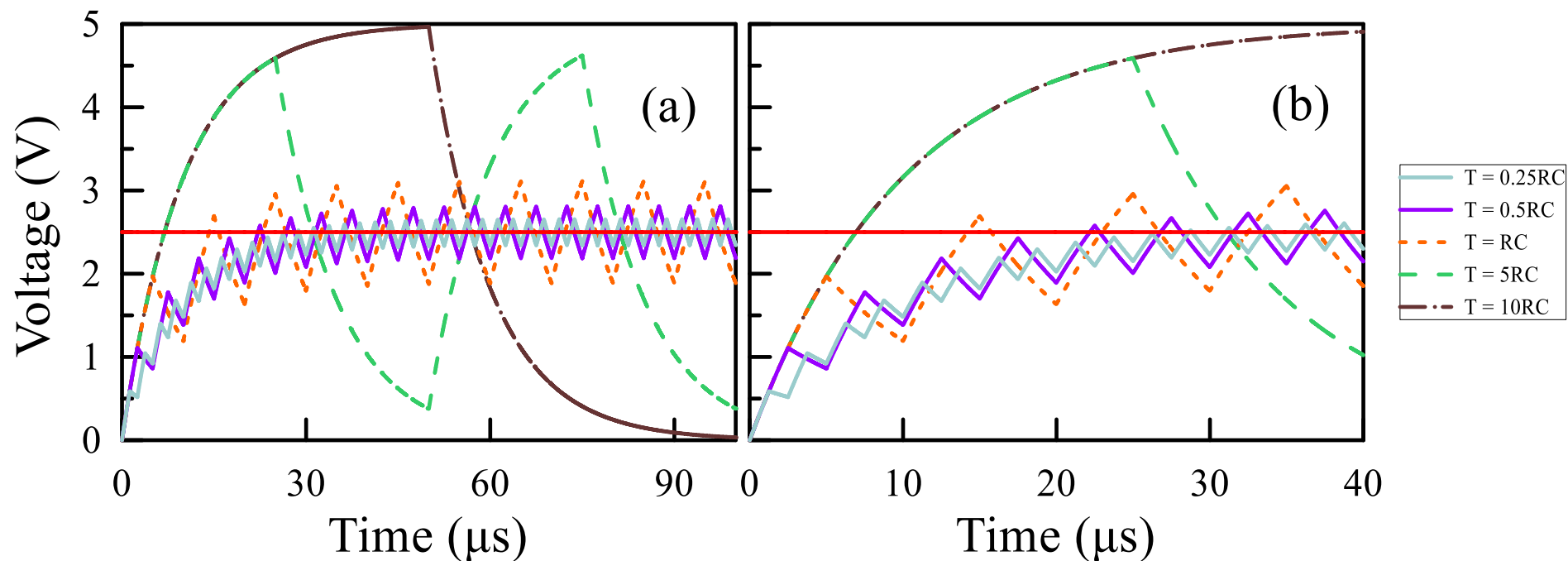
As the satellite and tether orbit the earth, they pass through its magnetic field. **As a moving rod, an emf is generated along the wire.** If this were the story, the charges would pile up on the ends. But the satellite is moving through the **ionosphere**, which contains enough ions to yield a return path for the charge. A complete circuit is therefore formed.

Electric Guitar





RC circuit: a square-wave input



As the input square wave period decreases, the output signal across the capacitor is equipped with a “smaller amplitude.” In contrast, all the signals in the steady state have the same “averaged amplitude.” **Why?**

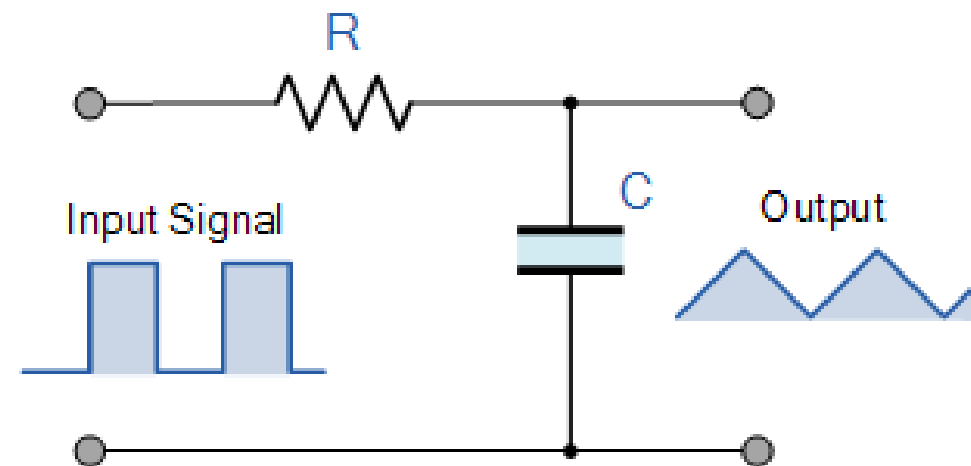


RC circuit: a square-wave input

$$\begin{cases} \varepsilon - \frac{Q(t)}{C} - R \frac{dQ(t)}{dt} = 0 & \text{(first half; charging)} \\ \frac{Q(t)}{C} - R \frac{dQ(t)}{dt} = 0 & \text{(second half; discharging)} \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} Q_{P,1} = C\varepsilon_0 (1 - e^{-T/2\tau}) \\ Q_{V,1} = Q_{P,1} e^{-T/2\tau} = C\varepsilon_0 (1 - e^{-T/2\tau}) e^{-T/2\tau} \end{cases}$$

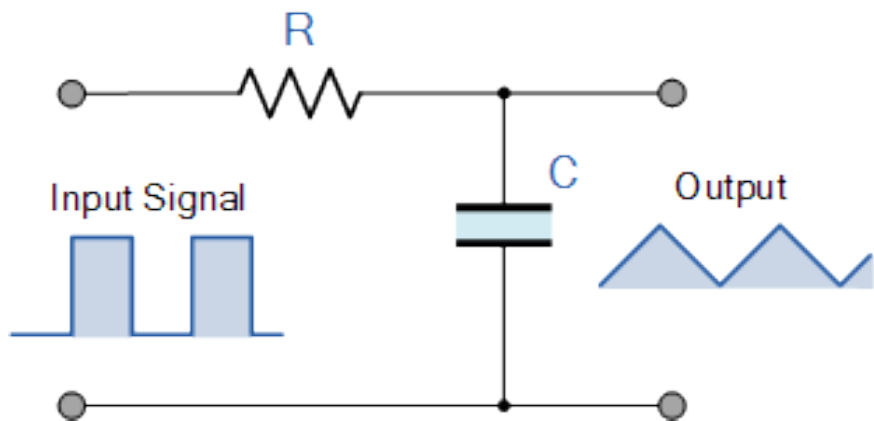
$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} Q_{P,N} \\ Q_{V,N} \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{N \gg 1} \frac{1}{1 - e^{-T/\tau}} \begin{pmatrix} Q_{P,1} \\ Q_{V,1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{C\varepsilon_0}{1 + e^{-T/2\tau}} \\ \frac{C\varepsilon_0}{1 + e^{T/2\tau}} \end{pmatrix}$$



$$Q_{ave,N} = \frac{Q_{P,N} + Q_{V,N}}{2} \xrightarrow{N \gg 1} \frac{Q_{P,1} + Q_{V,1}}{2(1 - e^{-T/\tau})} = \frac{C\varepsilon_0 (1 - e^{-T/2\tau})(1 + e^{-T/2\tau})}{2(1 - e^{-T/\tau})} = \frac{C\varepsilon_0}{2}$$

$$Q_{diff,N} = Q_{P,N} - Q_{V,N} \xrightarrow{N \gg 1} \frac{Q_{P,1} - Q_{V,1}}{1 - e^{-T/\tau}} = C\varepsilon_0 \frac{1 - e^{-T/2\tau}}{1 + e^{-T/2\tau}} = C\varepsilon_0 \tanh\left(\frac{T}{4\tau}\right)$$

RC circuit: a square-wave input

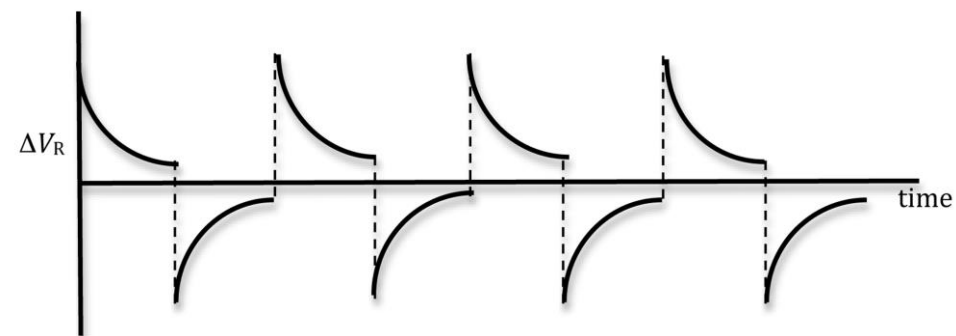
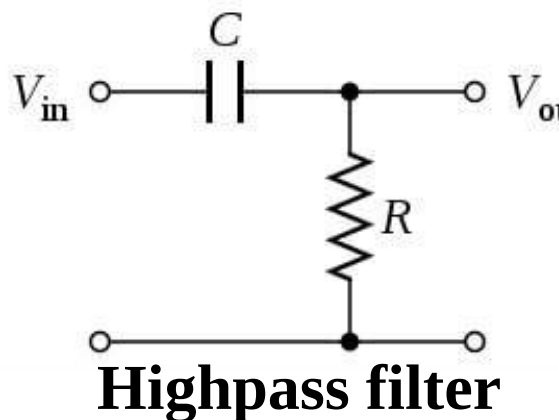
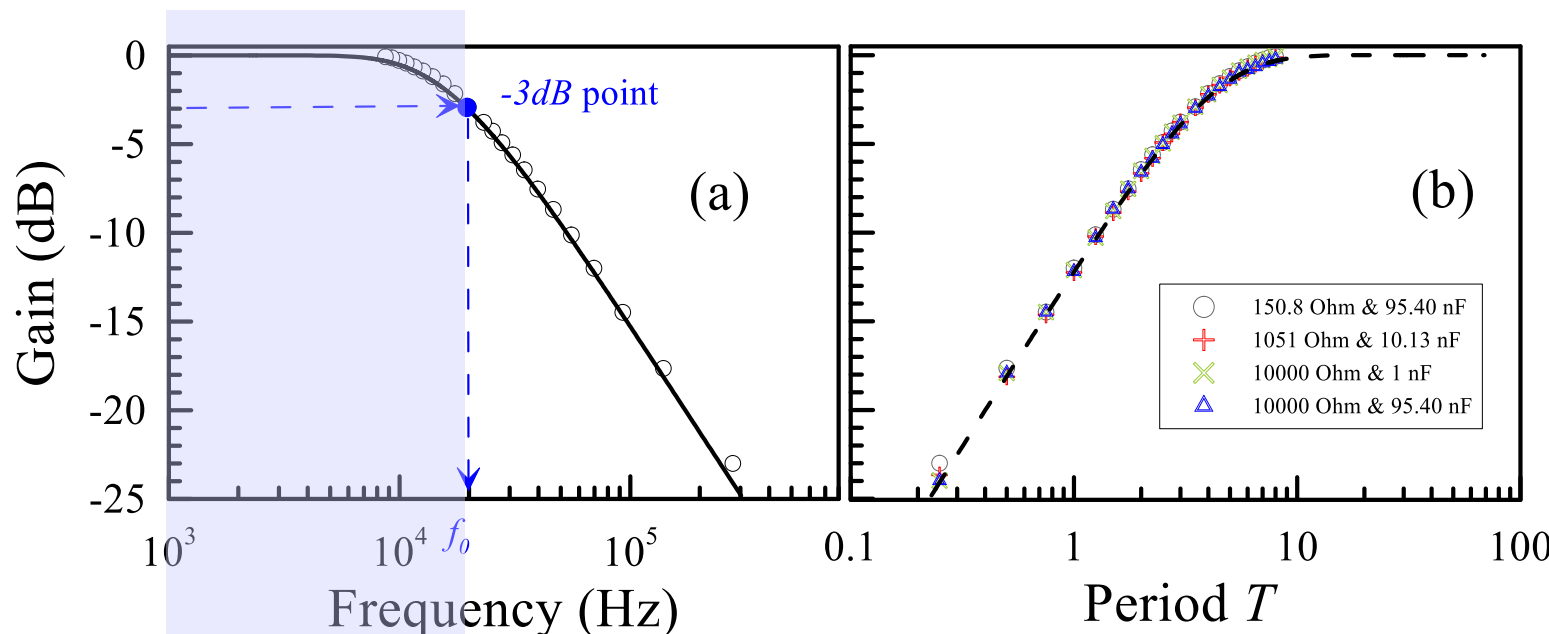


$$\text{Gain (in dB): } -20 \log(V_{\text{diff}} / \varepsilon)$$

$$Q_{\text{diff}, N} \xrightarrow{N \gg 1} C \varepsilon_0 \tanh\left(\frac{T}{4\tau}\right)$$

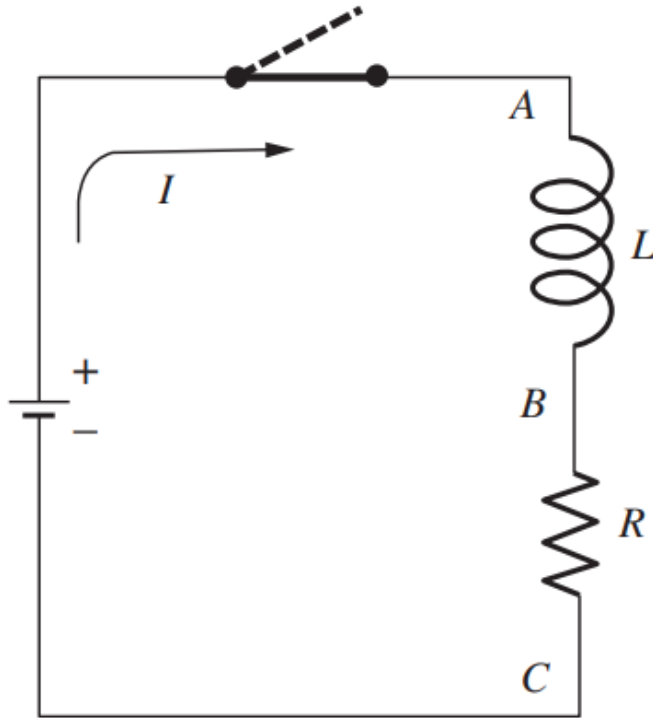
Known as a lowpass filter

passband





RL circuit



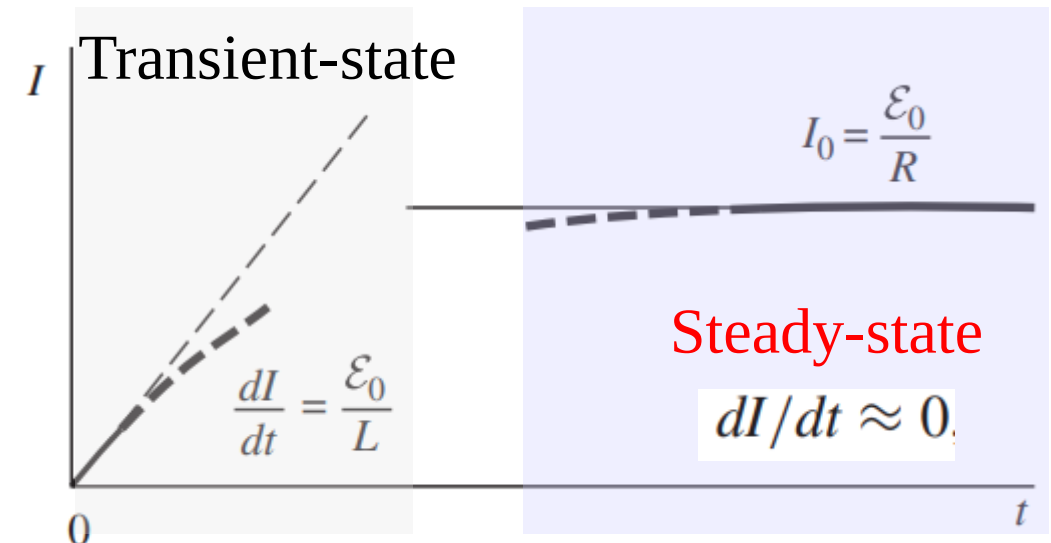
$$\mathcal{E}_0 - L \frac{dI}{dt} = RI$$

$$\mathcal{E}_0 = L \frac{dI}{dt} + RI$$

Summation of Electromotive force

Summation of Voltage difference

What happens if we open the switch after the current I_0 has been established, thus forcing the current to drop abruptly to zero?



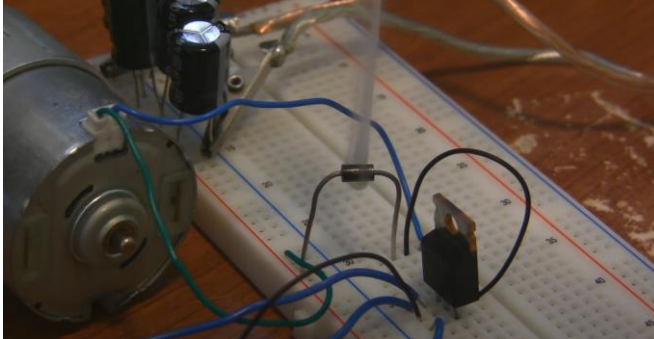
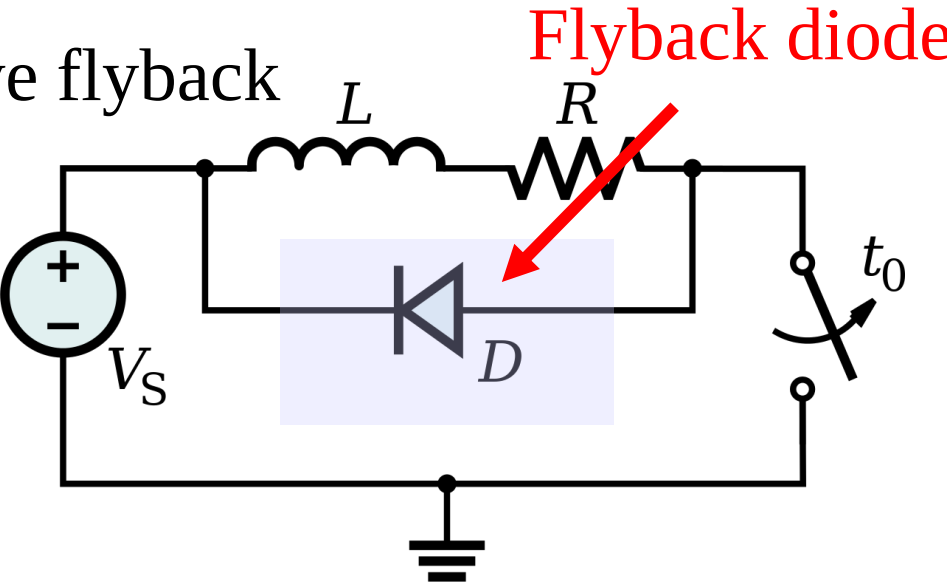
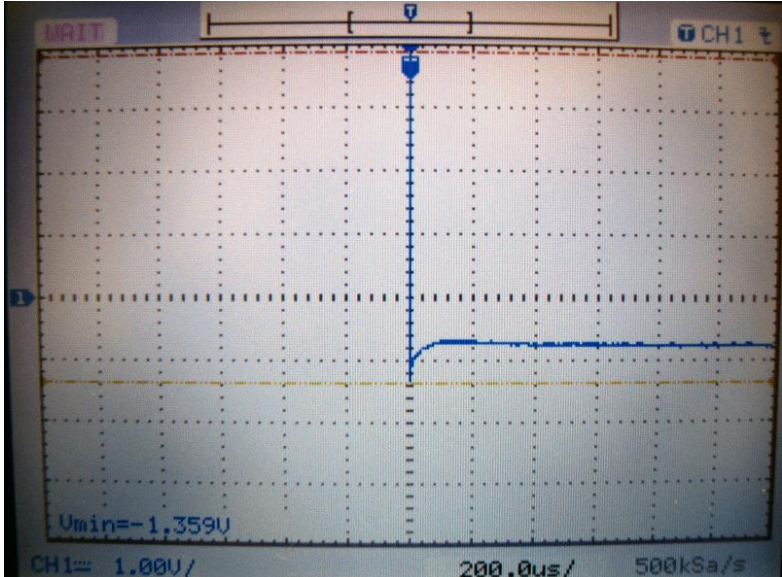
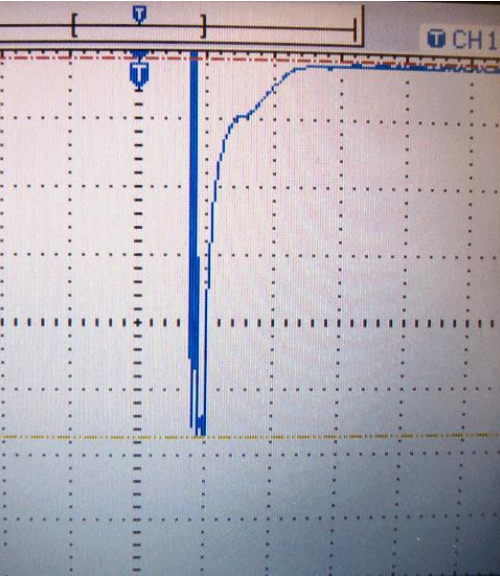
$$I(t) = \frac{\mathcal{E}_0}{R} \left(1 - e^{-(R/L)t} \right)$$



RL circuit

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Inductive Spike, aka inductive flyback



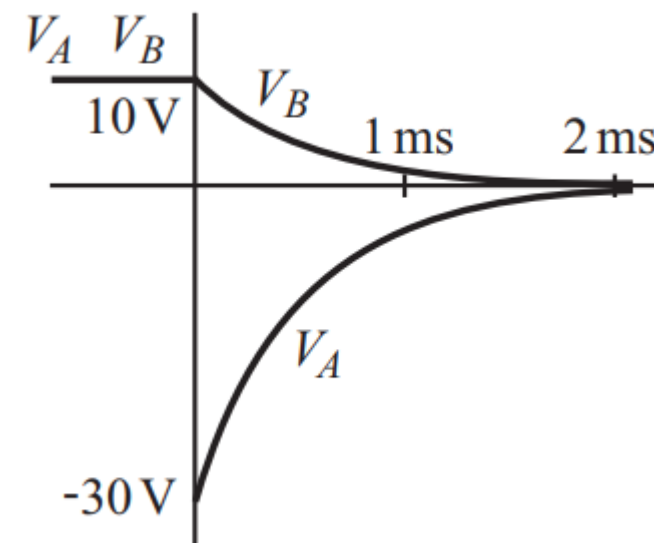
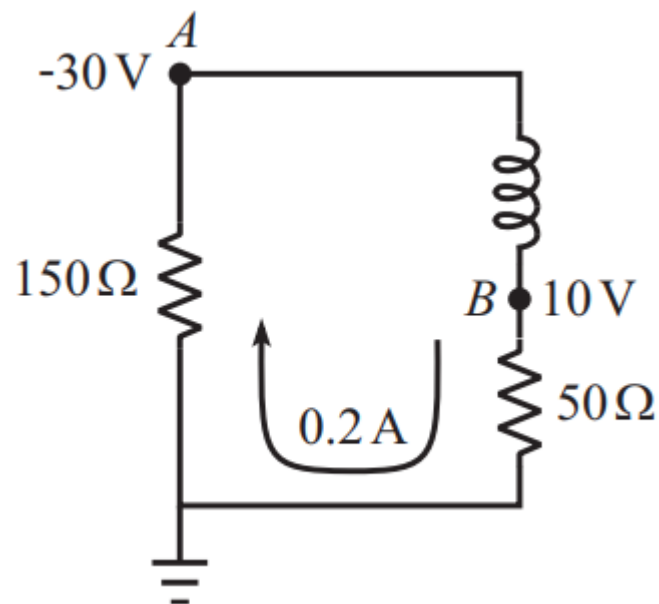
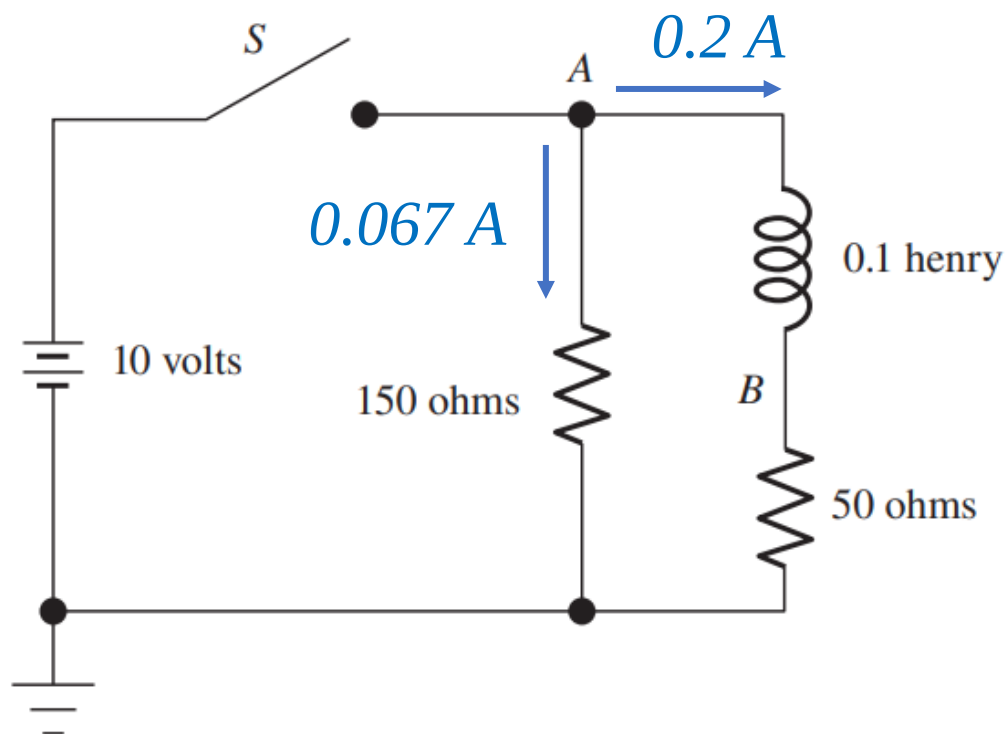


Ignition Coils



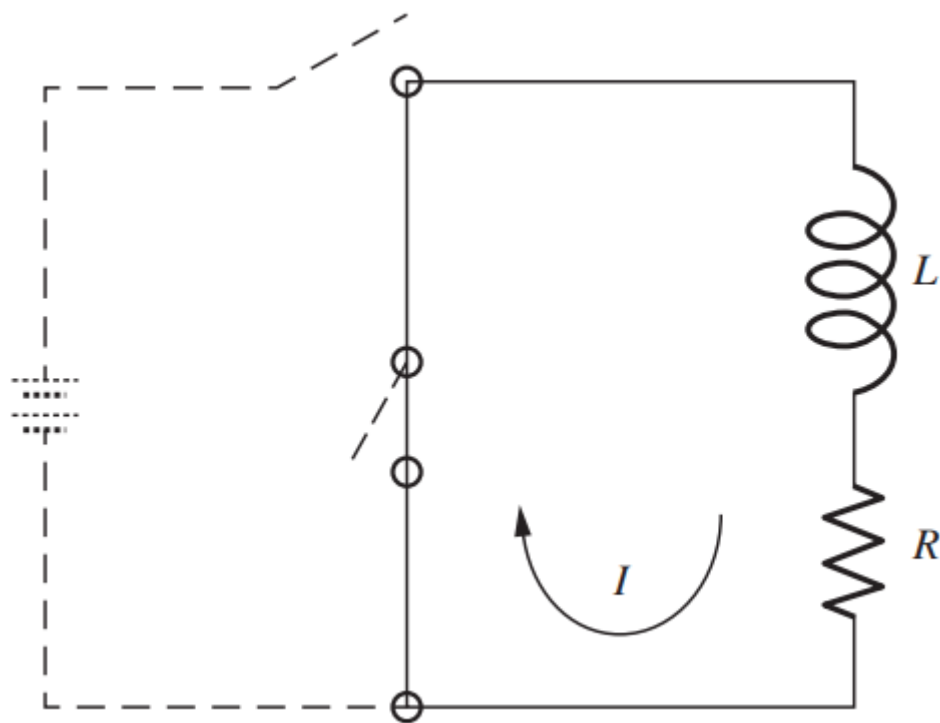


Open RL circuit

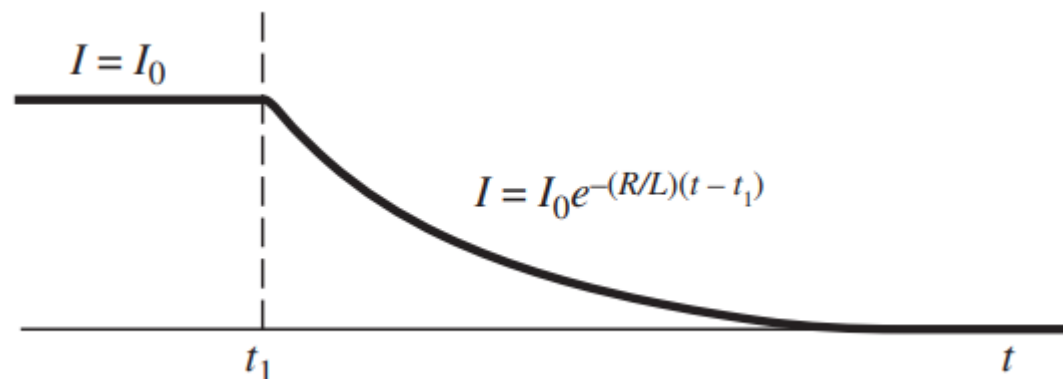




RL circuit



$$0 = L \frac{dI}{dt} + RI$$



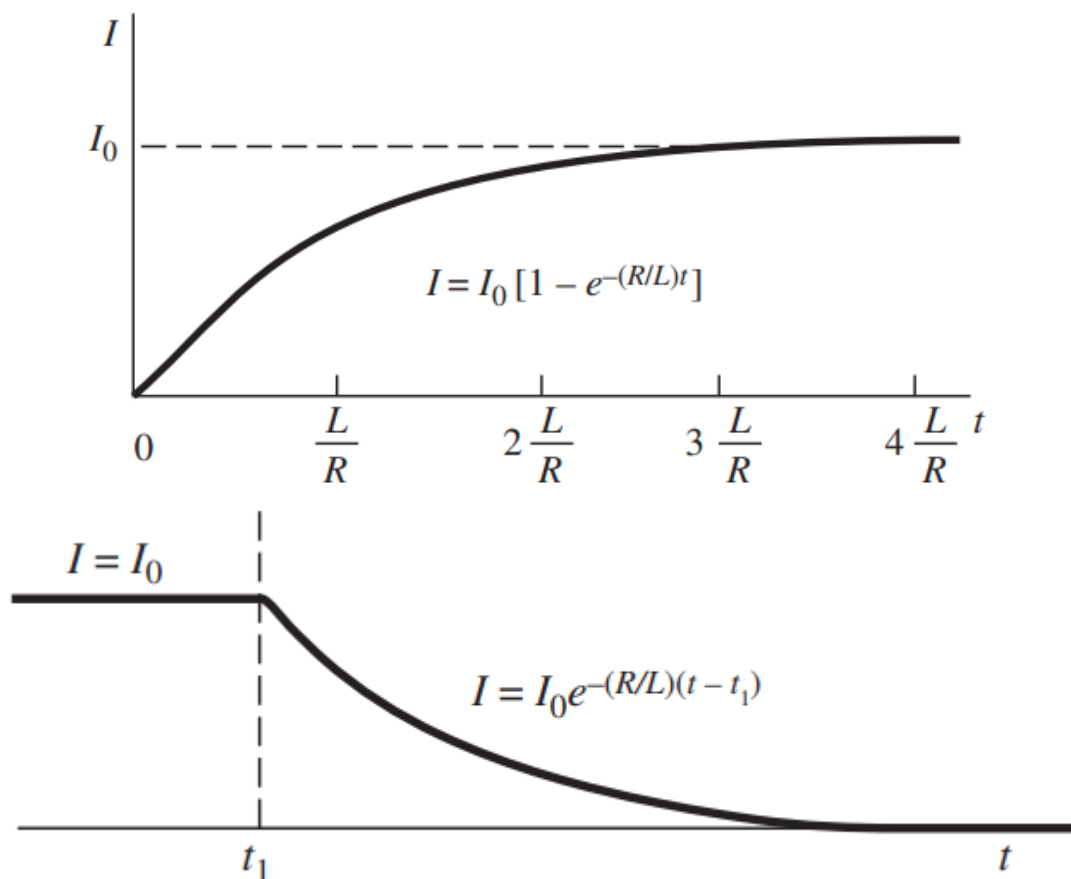
$$\begin{aligned} U &= \int_{t_1}^{\infty} RI^2 dt = \int_{t_1}^{\infty} RI_0^2 e^{-(2R/L)(t-t_1)} dt \\ &= -RI_0^2 \left(\frac{L}{2R} \right) e^{-(2R/L)(t-t_1)} \Big|_{t_1}^{\infty} = \frac{1}{2} LI_0^2. \end{aligned}$$

Or by definition of emf

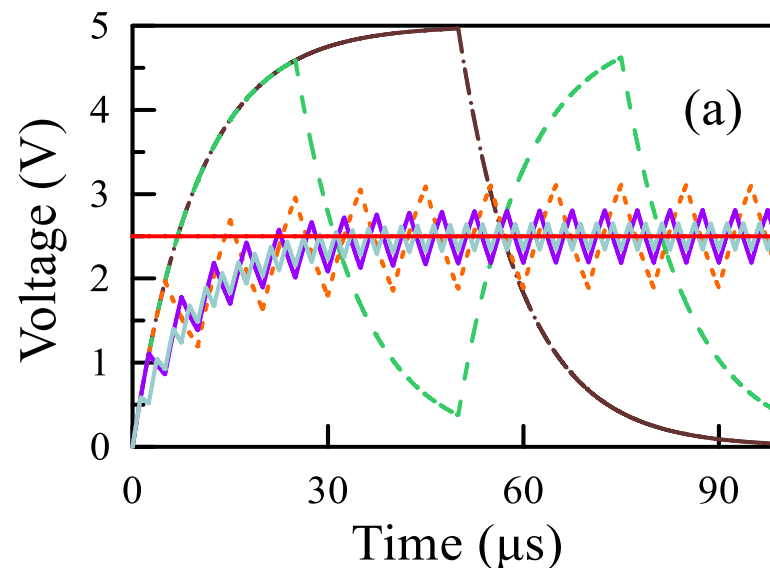
$$dW = L \frac{dI}{dt} (I dt) = LI dI = \frac{1}{2} L d(I^2)$$



RL circuit



Look similar to charging and
discharging behavior



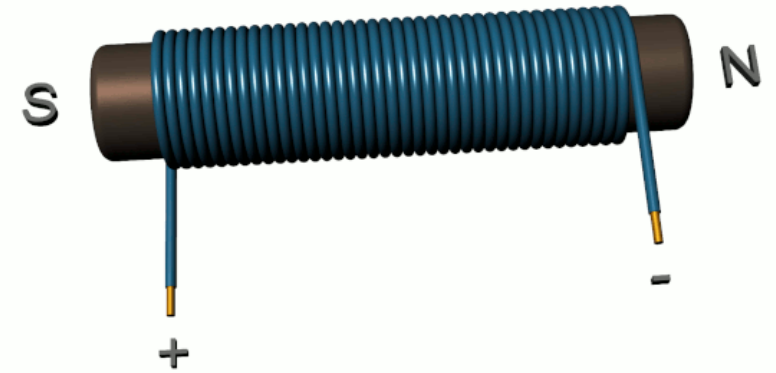
Can an RL circuit serve as a “filter”
as an RC circuit does?

Yes. One may find it out by
mimicking the procedure before.
Or simply use **phasor analysis**.



Total Charge of Induction

A circular coil of wire, with N turns of radius a , is located in the field of an electromagnet. The magnetic field is perpendicular to the coil (that is, parallel to the axis of the coil), and its strength has the constant value B_0 over that area. The coil is connected by a pair of twisted leads to an external resistance. The total resistance of this closed circuit, including that of the coil itself, is R . Suppose the electromagnet is turned off, its field dropping more or less rapidly to zero. The induced electromotive force causes current to flow around the circuit. Derive a formula for the total charge $Q = \int I dt$ that passes through the resistor, and explain why it does not depend on the rapidity with which the field drops to zero.



$$\Phi = N\pi a^2 B$$

$$\mathcal{E} = d\Phi/dt = N\pi a^2 (dB/dt)$$

$$Q = \int I dt = \int \frac{N\pi a^2}{R} \frac{dB}{dt} dt = \frac{N\pi a^2}{R} \int_{B_0}^0 dB = -\frac{N\pi a^2 B_0}{R}$$

B changes slowly
 $\rightarrow$ emf (thus I) smaller
 But the process takes longer!



Magnetic energy near a neutron star

It has been estimated that the magnetic field strength at the surface of a neutron star, or *pulsar*, may be as high as 10^{10} tesla. What is the energy density in such a field? Express it, using the mass–energy equivalence, in kilograms per m^3 .

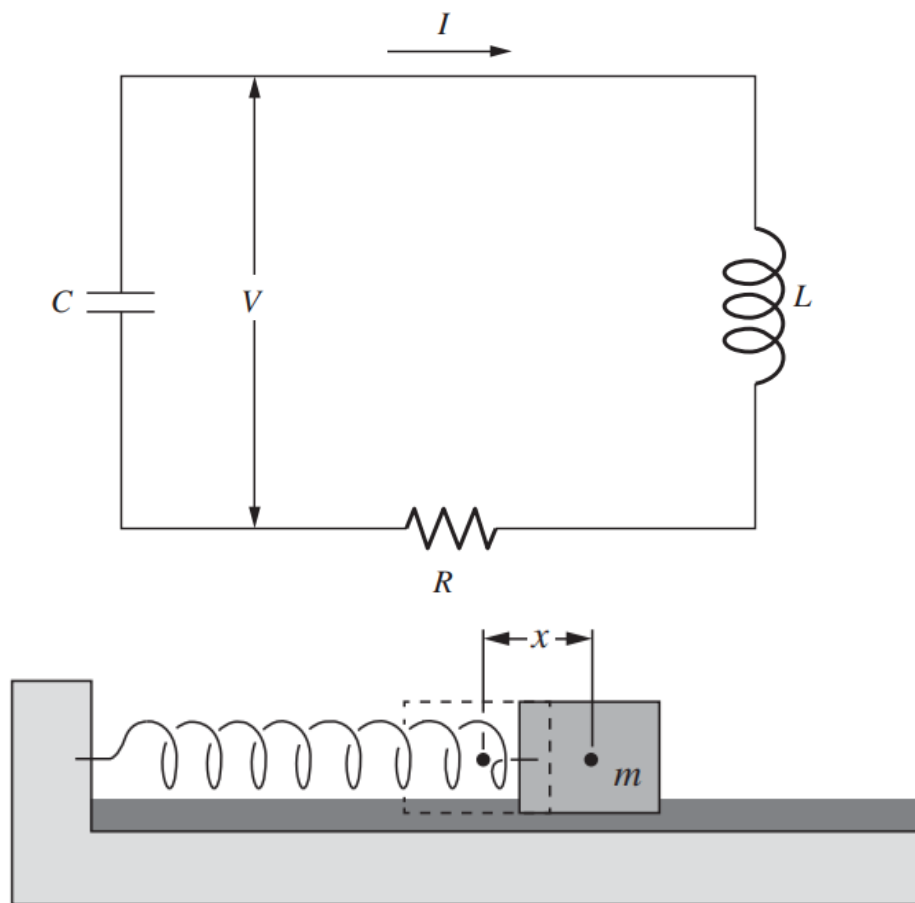
$$\frac{B^2}{2\mu_0} = \frac{(10^{10} \text{ T})^2}{2(4\pi \cdot 10^{-7} \frac{\text{kg m}}{\text{C}^2})} = 4 \cdot 10^{25} \text{ J/m}^3.$$

$$\rho = \frac{4 \cdot 10^{25} \text{ J/m}^3}{9 \cdot 10^{16} \text{ J/kg}} = 4.4 \cdot 10^8 \text{ kg/m}^3 = 4.4 \cdot 10^5 \text{ g/cm}^3.$$

This is very large. By comparison, the mass density of water is 1 g/cm^3 .

Wikipedia: Neutron stars have overall densities of 3.7×10^{17} to $5.9 \times 10^{17} \text{ kg/m}^3$

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$$m \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} + b \frac{dx}{dt} + kx = 0.$$

$$I = -\frac{dQ}{dt}, \quad Q = CV, \quad V = L \frac{dI}{dt} + RI.$$

$$\frac{d^2 V}{dt^2} + \left(\frac{R}{L}\right) \frac{dV}{dt} + \left(\frac{1}{LC}\right) V = 0.$$

$$V(t) = Ae^{-\alpha t} \cos \omega t.$$

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = Ae^{-\alpha t} [-\alpha \cos \omega t - \omega \sin \omega t],$$

$$\frac{d^2 V}{dt^2} = Ae^{-\alpha t} [(\alpha^2 - \omega^2) \cos \omega t + 2\alpha\omega \sin \omega t]$$

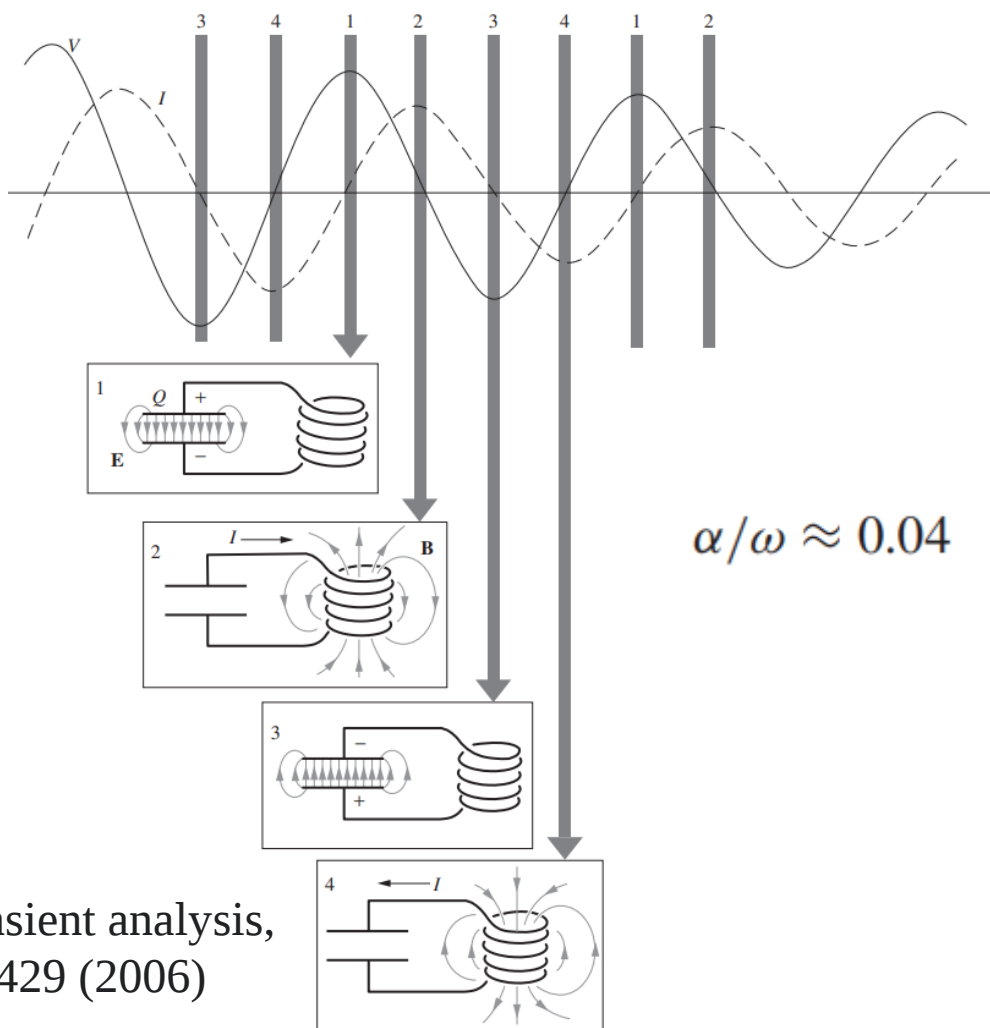
$$2\alpha\omega - \frac{R\omega}{L} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha^2 - \omega^2 - \alpha \frac{R}{L} + \frac{1}{LC} = 0.$$

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

$$\omega^2 = \frac{1}{LC} - \frac{R^2}{4L^2}$$



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$$V(t) = Ae^{-\alpha t} \cos \omega t$$

$$I(t) = -C \frac{dV}{dt} = AC\omega \left(\sin \omega t + \frac{\alpha}{\omega} \cos \omega t \right) e^{-\alpha t}$$

The ratio α/ω is a measure of the damping.

1: energy in E-field (capacitor)

1~2 :energy discharged from capacitor

2: energy in B-field (inductor)

R is taking its toll, and as the oscillation goes on, the energy remaining in the fields gradually diminishes

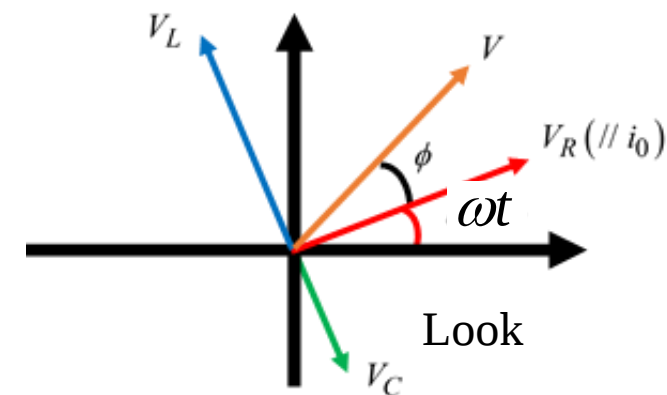
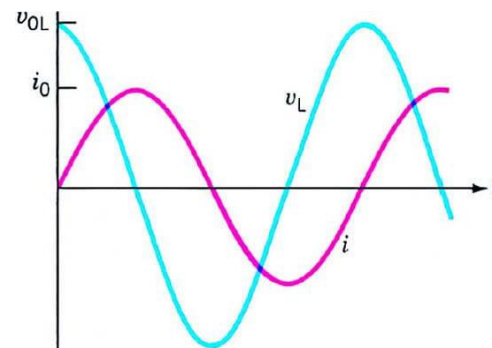
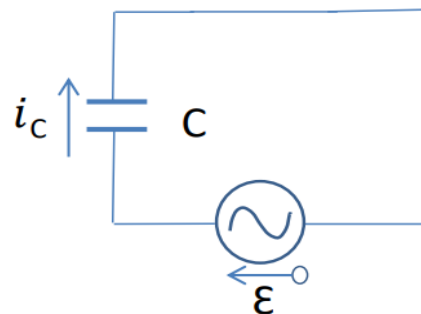
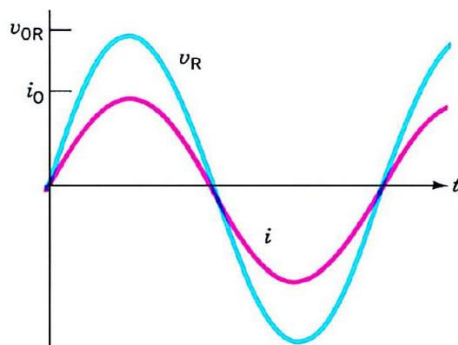
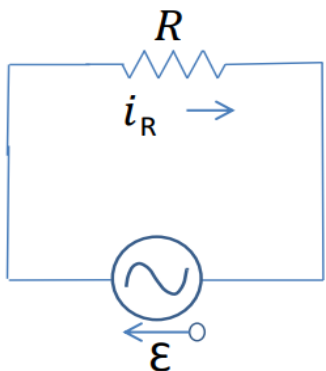
For detailed transient analysis,
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$$\varepsilon = \varepsilon_0 \sin \omega t$$

$$i = i_0 \sin \omega t$$

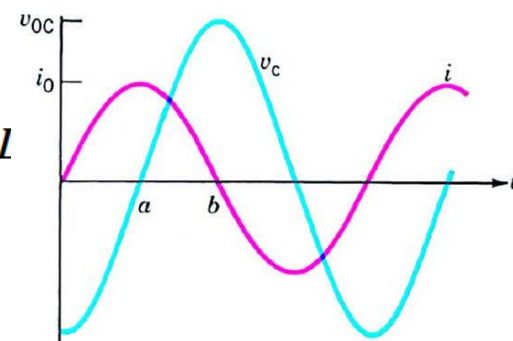
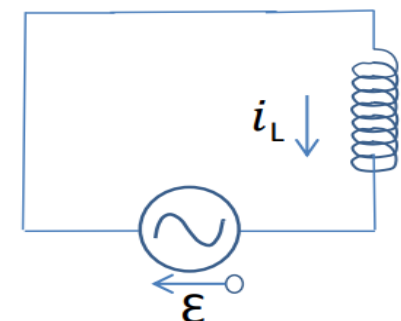


$$v_R = i_R R = i_0 R \sin \omega t \equiv V_R \sin \omega t$$

$$v_L = L \frac{di}{dt} = L i_0 \omega \cos \omega t \equiv i_0 X_L \sin \left(\omega t + \frac{\pi}{2} \right) = V_L \sin \left(\omega t + \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$$

$$v_C = \frac{q}{C} = -\frac{i_0}{\omega C} \cos \omega t \equiv i_0 X_C \sin \left(\omega t - \frac{\pi}{2} \right) = V_C \sin \left(\omega t - \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$$

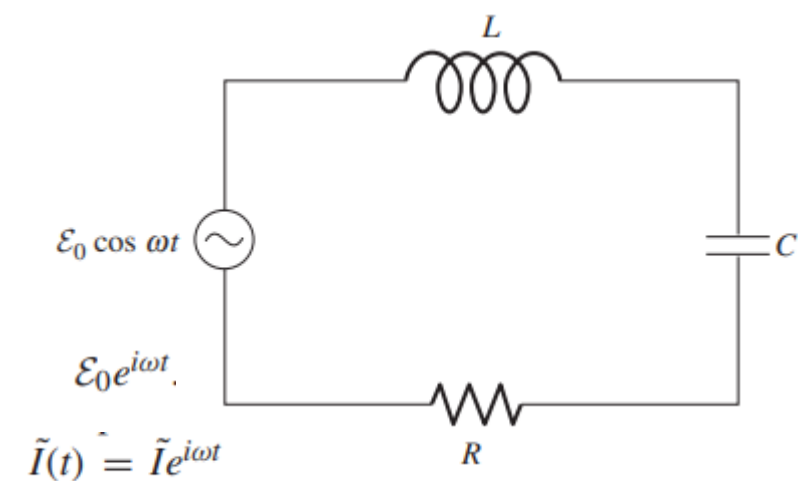
$$\phi = \tan^{-1} \frac{\omega L - 1/\omega C}{R}$$



$$V_0 = i_0 \sqrt{R^2 + (X_L - X_C)^2} \equiv i_0 Z$$



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$$L \frac{d}{dt} \text{Re}[\tilde{I}(t)] + R \text{Re}[\tilde{I}(t)] + \frac{1}{C} \int \text{Re}[\tilde{I}(t)] dt = \mathcal{E}_0 \cos \omega t.$$

If our differential equation were modified to contain a term that wasn't linear in $I(t)$, for example $RI(t)^2$, then this method wouldn't work, because $\text{Re}[\tilde{I}(t)^2]$ is *not* equal to $(\text{Re}[\tilde{I}(t)])^2$

$$Li\omega \tilde{I} e^{i\omega t} + R \tilde{I} e^{i\omega t} + \frac{\tilde{I} e^{i\omega t}}{i\omega C} = \mathcal{E}_0 e^{i\omega t}.$$

$$\tilde{I} = \frac{\mathcal{E}_0}{i\omega L + R + 1/i\omega C} = \frac{\mathcal{E}_0 [R - i(\omega L - 1/\omega C)]}{R^2 + (\omega L - 1/\omega C)^2}.$$

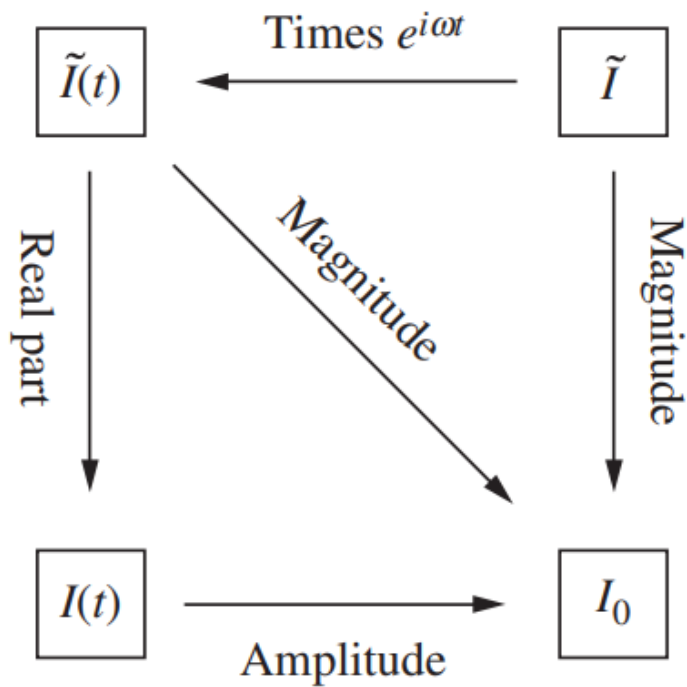
$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{I} &= \frac{\mathcal{E}_0}{R^2 + (\omega L - 1/\omega C)^2} \cdot \sqrt{R^2 + (\omega L - 1/\omega C)^2} e^{i\phi} \\ &= \frac{\mathcal{E}_0}{\sqrt{R^2 + (\omega L - 1/\omega C)^2}} e^{i\phi} \equiv I_0 e^{i\phi}, \end{aligned}$$

$$L \frac{dI(t)}{dt} + RI(t) + \frac{Q(t)}{C} = \mathcal{E}_0 \cos \omega t.$$

$$L \frac{d\tilde{I}(t)}{dt} + R\tilde{I}(t) + \frac{\tilde{Q}(t)}{C} = \mathcal{E}_0 e^{i\omega t}.$$



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$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{I} &= \frac{\mathcal{E}_0}{R^2 + (\omega L - 1/\omega C)^2} \cdot \sqrt{R^2 + (\omega L - 1/\omega C)^2} e^{i\phi} \\ &= \frac{\mathcal{E}_0}{\sqrt{R^2 + (\omega L - 1/\omega C)^2}} e^{i\phi} \equiv I_0 e^{i\phi},\end{aligned}$$

where

$$I_0 = \frac{\mathcal{E}_0}{\sqrt{R^2 + (\omega L - 1/\omega C)^2}} \quad \text{and} \quad \tan \phi = \frac{1}{R\omega C} - \frac{\omega L}{R}.$$

$$\begin{aligned}I(t) &= \text{Re}[\tilde{I}e^{i\omega t}] = \text{Re}[I_0 e^{i\phi} e^{i\omega t}] = I_0 \cos(\omega t + \phi) \\ &= \frac{\mathcal{E}_0}{\sqrt{R^2 + (\omega L - 1/\omega C)^2}} \cos(\omega t + \phi),\end{aligned}$$