

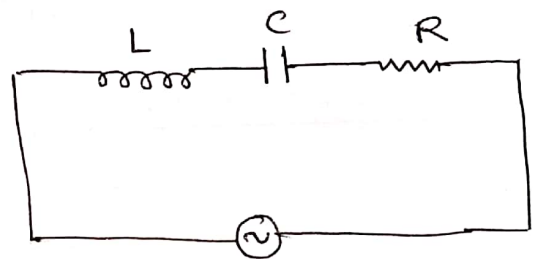
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L-C-R Circuit (In series): Let an alternating emf $E = E_0 \sin \omega t$ be applied to a circuit containing an inductance L , a capacitance C and a resistance R in series. Let q be the charge on the capacitor at any instant and I the current at that instant. Then the potential difference across the capacitor is q/c and the back emf due to self-inductance in L is $L(\frac{dI}{dt})$, both being opposite to the applied emf. The effective emf in the circuit at that instant is therefore $E_0 \sin \omega t - \frac{q}{c} - L(\frac{dI}{dt})$. But by Ohm's Law, the effective emf. is equal to the p.d across the resistance, which is RI



$E = E_0 \sin \omega t$
(Fig. (1))

$$\therefore E_0 \sin \omega t - \frac{q}{c} - L\left(\frac{dI}{dt}\right) = RI$$

$$\text{or } L\left(\frac{dI}{dt}\right) + RI + \frac{q}{c} = E_0 \sin \omega t$$

on differentiation, we get

$$L\left(\frac{d^2I}{dt^2}\right) + R \frac{dI}{dt} + \frac{1}{c} \cdot \frac{dq}{dt} = E_0 \omega \cos \omega t$$

$$\text{But } \frac{dq}{dt} = I$$

$$\therefore L\left(\frac{d^2I}{dt^2}\right) + R\left(\frac{dI}{dt}\right) + \frac{I}{c} = E_0 \omega \cos \omega t \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

This is differential equation of L-C-R circuit.

In the steady state the current alternates with the same frequency as the applied emf but may differ in amplitude and phase. Hence, let the solution of eqnⁿ (1) in the steady state be of the form

$$I = I_0 \sin(\omega t - \phi) \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

where I_0 and ϕ are constants to be determined. Differentiating eqnⁿ (2) we have

$$\frac{dI}{dt} = I_0 \omega \cos(\omega t - \phi)$$

$$\text{and } \frac{d^2I}{dt^2} = -I_0 \omega^2 \sin(\omega t - \phi)$$

Substituting the values of I , $\frac{dI}{dt}$ and $\frac{d^2I}{dt^2}$ in eqn (1) we get

$$\begin{aligned} -L I_0 \omega^2 \sin(\omega t - \phi) + R I_0 \omega \cos(\omega t - \phi) + \frac{I_0}{C} \sin(\omega t - \phi) \\ = E_0 [\cos(\omega t - \phi) + \phi] \\ = E_0 [\cos(\omega t - \phi) \cos \phi - \sin(\omega t - \phi) \sin \phi] \end{aligned}$$

This is an identity, which must be true for all values of t . Hence the Co-efficient of $\sin(\omega t - \phi)$ and $\cos(\omega t - \phi)$ on both sides of it must be separately equal.

$$\left(-L\omega^2 + \frac{1}{C}\right) I_0 = -E_0 \omega \sin \phi \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$$\text{and } R\omega I_0 = \omega E_0 \cos \phi \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

Dividing eqn (3) by (4), we get

$$-\tan \phi = \frac{\omega \left(L\omega - \frac{1}{\omega C}\right)}{R\omega}$$

$$\text{or } \tan \phi = \frac{\left(L\omega - \frac{1}{\omega C}\right)}{R} = \frac{\text{Reactance}}{\text{Resistance}} \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

Squaring and adding eqn (3) and (4), we get

$$I_0^2 \left\{ \left(\omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C}\right)^2 + R^2 \right\} \omega^2 = \omega^2 E_0^2$$

$$\therefore I_0 = \frac{E_0}{\sqrt{\left\{ R^2 + \left(\omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C}\right)^2 \right\}}} \quad \text{--- (6)}$$

This is the peak (maximum) value of current, which is also known as the amplitude of current.

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Substituting for I_0 and ϕ in eqn (2), we get

$$I = \frac{E_0}{\sqrt{R^2 + (\omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C})^2}} \sin \left\{ \omega t - \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C}}{R} \right) \right\} \quad \text{--- (7)}$$

This equation represents the instantaneous current in the circuit. The quantity $\sqrt{R^2 + (\omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C})^2}$ is called the impedance Z of the circuit.

$$Z = \sqrt{R^2 + (\omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C})^2}$$

Here $X_L = \omega L$, $X_C = \frac{1}{\omega C}$ (Inductive reactance and Capacitive reactance)

and $X_L - X_C = (\omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C})$ resultant reactance.

and phase angle $\phi = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C}}{R} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{X_L - X_C}{R} \right)$

Special cases (i) When $X_L > X_C$, ϕ is +ve, so that current lags behind the applied emf

(ii) When $X_L < X_C$, ϕ is -ve so that current leads the applied emf

(iii) When $X_L = X_C$, $\phi = 0$ and in this case the current is in phase with the amplitude emf.

When $X_L = X_C$ i.e. inductive reactance X_L is equal to the capacitive reactance X_C , the impedance Z of the circuit is minimum and equal to the resistance R of the circuit, Hence the amplitude of the current $I_0 = E_0/R$ is maximum. This is the case of electrical resonance. Hence at resonance

$X_L = X_C$ or $\omega L = \frac{1}{\omega C}$ or $\omega = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$

If f be the frequency of the applied emf

then $\omega = 2\pi f = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$ or

$$f = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{LC}}$$

Resonance frequency of the circuit