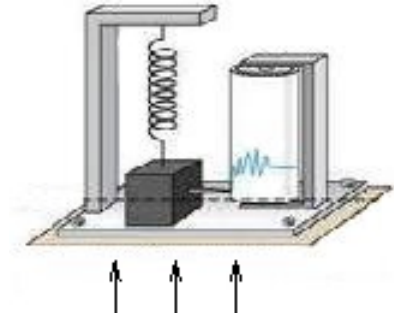


## Sample Quiz 6

---

### Sample Quiz 6, Problem 1. Vertical Motion Seismoscope

The 1875 **horizontal motion seismoscope** of F. Cecchi (1822-1887) reacted to an earthquake. It started a clock, and then it started motion of a recording surface, which ran at a speed of 1 cm per second for 20 seconds. The clock provided the observer with the earthquake hit time.



#### A Simplistic Vertical Motion Seismoscope

The apparently stationary heavy mass on a spring writes with the attached stylus onto a rotating drum, as the ground moves up. The generated trace is  $x(t)$ .

The motion of the heavy mass  $m$  in the figure can be modeled initially by a forced spring-mass system with damping. The initial model has the form

$$mx'' + cx' + kx = f(t)$$

where  $f(t)$  is the vertical ground force due to the earthquake. In terms of the vertical ground motion  $u(t)$ , we write via Newton's second law the force equation  $f(t) = -mu''(t)$  (compare to falling body  $-mg$ ). The final model for the motion of the mass is then

$$\begin{cases} x''(t) + 2\beta\Omega_0 x'(t) + \Omega_0^2 x(t) = -u''(t), \\ \frac{c}{m} = 2\beta\Omega_0, \quad \frac{k}{m} = \Omega_0^2, \\ x(t) = \text{center of mass position measured from equilibrium,} \\ u(t) = \text{vertical ground motion due to the earthquake.} \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

Terms **seismoscope**, **seismograph**, **seismometer** refer to the device in the figure. Some observations:

Slow ground movement means  $x' \approx 0$  and  $x'' \approx 0$ , then (1) implies  $\Omega_0^2 x(t) = -u''(t)$ . The seismometer records ground acceleration.

Fast ground movement means  $x \approx 0$  and  $x' \approx 0$ , then (1) implies  $x''(t) = -u''(t)$ . The seismometer records ground displacement.

A **release test** begins by starting a vibration with  $u$  identically zero. Two successive maxima  $(t_1, x_1), (t_2, x_2)$  are recorded. This experiment determines constants  $\beta, \Omega_0$ .

The objective of (1) is to determine  $u(t)$ , by knowing  $x(t)$  from the seismograph.

#### The Problem.

(a) Explain how a **release test** can find values for  $\beta, \Omega_0$  in the model  $x'' + 2\beta\Omega_0 x' + \Omega_0^2 x = 0$ .

(b) Assume the seismograph trace can be modeled at time  $t = 0$  (a time after the earthquake struck) by  $x(t) = Ce^{-at} \sin(bt)$  for some positive constants  $C, a, b$ . Assume a release test determined  $2\beta\Omega_0 = 12$  and  $\Omega_0^2 = 100$ . Explain how to find a formula for the ground motion  $u(t)$ , then provide a formula for  $u(t)$ , using technology.

---

### Solution.

(a) A **release test** is an experiment which provides initial data  $x(0) > 0$ ,  $x'(0) = 0$  to the seismoscope mass. The model is  $x'' + 2\beta\Omega_0x' + \Omega_0^2x = 0$  (ground motion zero). The recorder graphs  $x(t)$  during the experiment, until two successive maxima  $(t_1, x_1), (t_2, x_2)$  appear in the graph. This is enough information to find values for  $\beta, \Omega_0$ .

In an under-damped oscillation, the characteristic equation is  $(r + p)^2 + \omega^2 = 0$  corresponding to complex conjugate roots  $-p \pm \omega i$ . The phase-amplitude form is  $x(t) = Ce^{-pt} \cos(\omega t - \alpha)$ , with period  $2\pi/\omega$ .

The equation  $x'' + 2\beta\Omega_0x' + \Omega_0^2x = 0$  has characteristic equation  $(r + \beta)^2 + \Omega_0^2 = 0$ . Therefore  $x(t) = Ce^{-\beta t} \cos(\Omega_0 t - \alpha)$ .

The period is  $t_2 - t_1 = 2\pi/\Omega_0$ . Therefore,  $\Omega_0$  is known. The maxima occur when the cosine factor is 1, therefore

$$\frac{x_2}{x_1} = \frac{Ce^{-\beta t_2} \cdot 1}{Ce^{-\beta t_1} \cdot 1} = e^{-\beta(t_2 - t_1)}.$$

This equation determines  $\beta$ .

(b) The equation  $-u''(t) = x''(t) + 2\beta\Omega_0x'(t) + \Omega_0^2x(t)$  (the model written backwards) determines  $u(t)$  in terms of  $x(t)$ . If  $x(t)$  is known, then this is a quadrature equation for the ground motion  $u(t)$ .

For the example  $x(t) = Ce^{-at} \sin(bt)$ ,  $2\beta\Omega_0 = 12$ ,  $\Omega_0^2 = 100$ , then the quadrature equation is

$$-u''(t) = x''(t) + 12x'(t) + 100x(t).$$

After substitution of  $x(t)$ , the equation becomes

$$-u''(t) = Ce^{-at} \left( \sin(bt) a^2 - \sin(bt) b^2 - 2 \cos(bt) ab - 12 \sin(bt) a + 12 \cos(bt) b + 100 \sin(bt) \right)$$

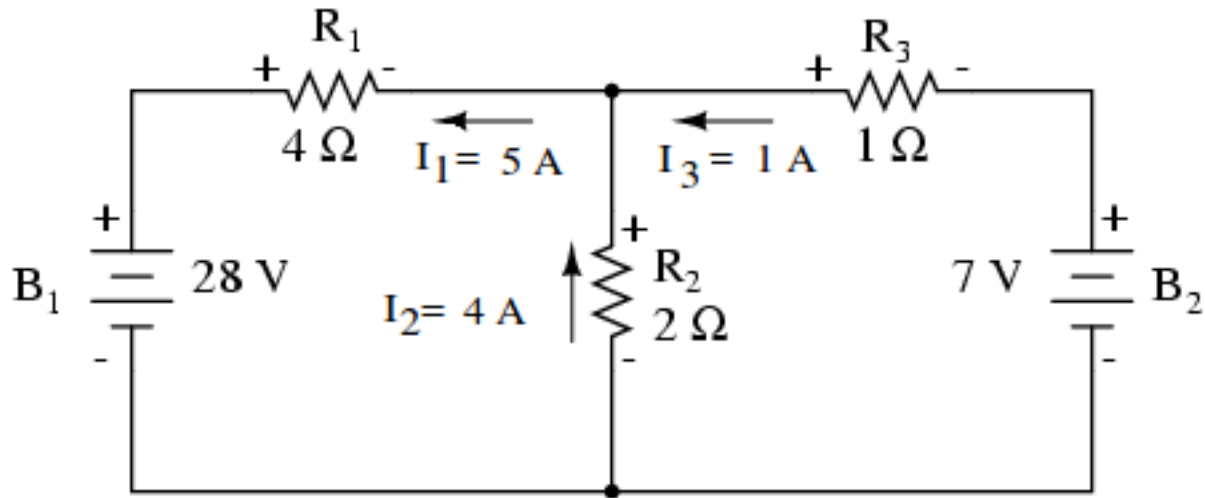
which can be integrated twice using Maple, for simplicity. All integration constants will be assumed zero. The answer:

$$u(t) = \frac{Ce^{-at} (12 a^2 b + 12 b^3 - 200 ab) \cos(bt)}{(a^2 + b^2)^2} - \frac{Ce^{-at} (a^4 + 2 a^2 b^2 + b^4 - 12 a^3 - 12 ab^2 + 100 a^2 - 100 b^2) \sin(bt)}{(a^2 + b^2)^2}$$

The Maple session has this brief input:

```
de:=-diff(u(t),t,t) = diff(x(t),t,t) + 12*diff(x(t),t) + 100* x(t);
x:=t->C*exp(-a*t)*sin(b*t);
dsolve(de,u(t));subs(_C1=0,_C2=0,%);
```

Sample Quiz6 Problem 2. Resistive Network with 2 Loops and DC Sources.



The **Branch Current Method** can be used to find a  $3 \times 3$  linear system for the **branch currents**  $I_1, I_2, I_3$ .

$$\begin{array}{rclcl} I_1 - I_2 - I_3 & = & 0 & \text{KCL, upper node} \\ 4I_1 + 2I_2 & = & 28 & \text{KVL, left loop} \\ 2I_2 - I_3 & = & 7 & \text{KVL, right loop} \end{array}$$

Symbol **KCL** means *Kirchhoff's Current Law*, which says the algebraic sum of the currents at a node is zero. Symbol **KVL** means *Kirchhoff's Voltage Law*, which says the algebraic sum of the voltage drops around a closed loop is zero.

- (a) Solve the equations to verify the currents reported in the figure:  $I_1 = 5, I_2 = 4, I_3 = 1$  Amperes.
- (b) Compute the voltage drops across resistors  $R_1, R_2, R_3$ . Answer: 20, 8, 1 volts.

**References.** Edwards-Penney 3.7, electric circuits. All About Circuits Volume I – DC, by T. Kuphaldt:

<http://www.allaboutcircuits.com/>.

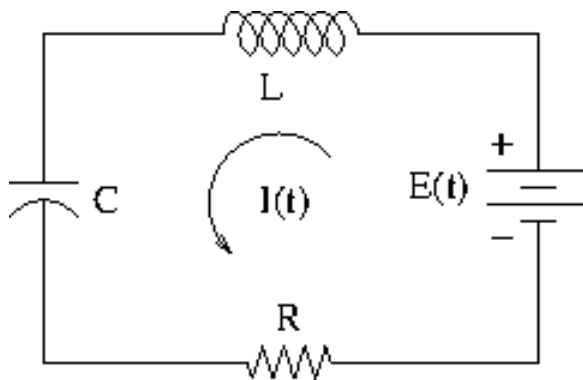
Course slides on Electric Circuits:

<http://www.math.utah.edu/~gustafso/s2014/2250/electricalCircuits.pdf>.

Solved examples of electrical networks can be found in the lecture notes of Ruye Wang:

<http://fourier.eng.hmc.edu/e84/lectures/ch2/node2.html>.

---

**Sample Quiz 6, Problem 3. RLC-Circuit**

**The Problem.** Suppose  $E = 100 \sin(20t)$ ,  $L = 5$  H,  $R = 250 \Omega$  and  $C = 0.002$  F. The model for the charge  $Q(t)$  is  $LQ'' + RQ' + \frac{1}{C}Q = E(t)$ .

- (a) Differentiate the charge model and substitute  $I = \frac{dQ}{dt}$  to obtain the current model  $5I'' + 250I' + 500I = 2000 \cos(20t)$ .
- (b) Find the **reactance**  $S = \omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C}$ , where  $\omega = 20$  is the input frequency, the natural frequency of  $E = 100 \sin(20t)$  and  $E' = 2000 \cos(20t)$ .
- (c) Substitute  $I = A \cos(20t) + B \sin(20t)$  into the current model (a) and solve for  $A = \frac{-12}{109}$ ,  $B = \frac{40}{109}$ . Then the steady-state current is

$$I(t) = A \cos(20t) + B \sin(20t) = \frac{-12 \cos(20t) + 40 \sin(20t)}{109}.$$

- (d) Write the answer in (c) in phase-amplitude form  $I = I_0 \sin(20t - \delta)$  with  $I_0 > 0$  and  $\delta \geq 0$ . Then compute the **time lag**  $\delta/\omega$ .

Answers:  $I_0 = \frac{4}{\sqrt{109}}$ ,  $\delta = \arctan(3/10)$ ,  $\delta/\omega = 0.01457$ .

---

**References**

Course slides on Electric Circuits:

<http://www.math.utah.edu/~gustafso/s2015/2280/electricalCircuits.pdf>.

Edwards-Penney *Differential Equations and Boundary Value Problems*, sections 3.4, 3.5, 3.6, 3.7.

### Solutions to Problem 3

**Problem 1(a)** Start with  $5Q'' + 250Q' + 500Q = 100 \sin(20t)$ . Differentiate across to get  $5Q''' + 250Q'' + 500Q' = 2000 \cos(20t)$ . Change  $Q'$  to  $I$ .

**Problem 1(b)**  $S = (20)(5) - 1/(20 * 0.002) = 75$

**Problem 1(c)** It helps to use the differential equation  $u'' + 400u = 0$  satisfied by both  $u_1 = \cos(20t)$  and  $u_2 = \sin(20t)$ . Functions  $u_1, u_2$  are Euler solution atoms, hence independent. Along the solution path, we'll use  $u_1' = -20 \sin(20t) = -20u_2$  and  $u_2' = 20 \cos(20t) = 20u_1$ . The arithmetic is simplified by dividing the equation first by 5. We then substitute  $I = Au_1 + Bu_2$ .

$$\begin{aligned} I'' + 50I' + 100I &= 400 \sin(20t) \\ A(u_1'' + 50u_1' + 100u_1) + B(u_2'' + 50u_2' + 100u_2) &= 400 \sin(20t) \\ A(-400u_1 + 50(-20u_2) + 100u_1) + B(-400u_2 + 50(20u_1) + 100u_2) &= 400 \sin(20t) \\ (-400A + 100A + 1000B)u_1 + (-1000A - 400B + 100B)u_2 &= 400u_2 \end{aligned}$$

By independence of  $u_1, u_2$ , coefficients of  $u_1, u_2$  on each side of the equation must match. The linear algebra property is called *unique representation of linear combinations*. This implies the  $2 \times 2$  system of equations

$$\begin{aligned} -300A + 1000B &= 0, \\ -1000A - 300B &= 400. \end{aligned}$$

The solution by Cramer's rule (the easiest method) is  $A = -12/109, B = 40/109$ . Then the steady-state current is

$$I(t) = A \cos(20t) + B \sin(20t) = \frac{-12 \cos(20t) + 40 \sin(20t)}{109}.$$

The **steady-state current** is defined to be the sum of those terms in the general solution of the differential equation that remain after all terms that limit to zero at  $t = \infty$  have been removed. The logic is that only these terms contribute to a graphic or to a numerical calculation after enough time has passed (as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ ).

**Problem 1(d)** Let  $\cos(\delta) = B/I_0, \sin(\delta) = -A/I_0, I_0 = \sqrt{A^2 + B^2}$ . Use the trig identity

$$\sin(a - b) = \sin(a) \cos(b) - \cos(a) \sin(b)$$

to rearrange the current formula as follows:

$$I(t) = A \cos(20t) + B \sin(20t) = I_0(\sin(20t) \cos(\delta) - \sin(\delta) \cos(20t)) = I_0 \sin(20t - \delta).$$

Compute  $I_0 = \sqrt{A^2 + B^2} = \frac{4}{\sqrt{109}}$ . Compute  $\tan(\delta) = \frac{\sin \delta}{\cos \delta} = -A/B = 12/40$ . Then  $\delta = \arctan(12/40)$  and finally  $\delta/\omega = \arctan(3/10)/20 = 0.01457$ .

**Another method**, using Edwards-Penney Section 3.7: Compute the **impedance**  $Z = \sqrt{R^2 + S^2} = \sqrt{250^2 + 75^2} = \sqrt{68125} = 25\sqrt{109}$  and then  $I_0 = E_0/Z = 4/\sqrt{109}$ . The phase  $\delta = \arctan(S/R) = \arctan(75/250) = \arctan(3/10)$ . Then the time lag is  $\delta/\omega = \frac{\arctan(0.3)}{20} = 0.01457$ .

---