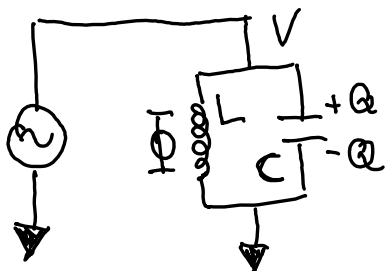


Electronic Harmonic Oscillator

(1)



- charge on capacitor

$$Q = CV$$

- flux in the inductor

$$\Phi = LI$$

- voltage across oscillator

$$V = \frac{Q}{C} = -L \dot{I} = -\dot{\Phi}$$

Hamiltonian

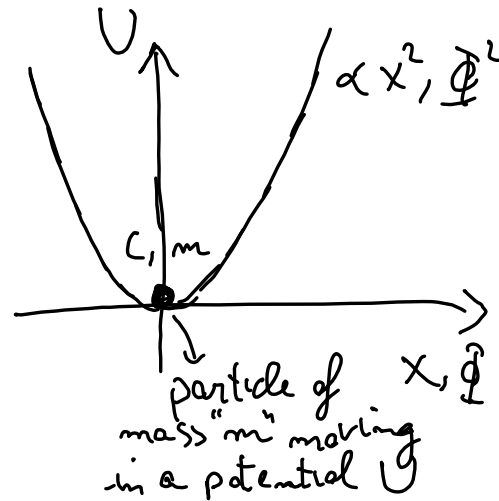
$$H = \frac{CV^2}{2} + \frac{LI^2}{2} = \frac{Q^2}{2C} + \frac{\Phi^2}{2L}$$

electrostatic
energy

magnetic
energy

- Compare to mechanical harmonic oscillator

$$H = \underbrace{\frac{p^2}{2m}}_{\text{kinetic}} + \underbrace{\frac{kx^2}{2}}_{\text{potential}}$$



Characteristic quantities

mechanical

position x

momentum p

mass m

spring constant K

resonance freq. $\omega = \sqrt{\frac{K}{m}}$

electronic

flux Φ

charge Q

capacitance C

inverse inductance $\frac{1}{L}$

$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{1}{LC}}$

- quantum mechanical operators

$$\hat{x} = x$$

$$\hat{p} = -i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$$

$$\hat{\Phi} = \Phi$$

$$\hat{Q} = -i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial \Phi}$$

- commutation relation

$$[\hat{x}, \hat{p}] = i\hbar$$

$$[\hat{\Phi}, \hat{Q}] = i\hbar \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\left[2\pi \frac{\hat{\Phi}}{\Phi_0}, \frac{Q}{2e} \right] = [\hat{F}, \hat{N}] = i$$

② Harmonic oscillator

conjugate variables

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial \Phi} = \frac{\Phi}{L} = I = \dot{Q}$$

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial Q} = \frac{Q}{C} = V = -L\dot{I} = -\dot{\Phi}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} x, p \text{ are canonical} \\ \Phi, Q \text{ variables} \end{array} \right]$$

Hamiltonian operator

(3)

- using conjugate variables Q, P

$$\hat{H} = \frac{\hat{Q}^2}{2C} + \frac{\hat{P}^2}{2L} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2C} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \Phi^2} + \frac{1}{2L} \hat{P}^2$$

- using creation and annihilation operators

$$\hat{a}^{\dagger} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\hbar Z_c}} \left(Z_c \hat{Q}^{\dagger} - i \hat{P}^{\dagger} \right) \quad \text{creation operators}$$

$$\hat{a} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\hbar Z_c}} \left(Z_c \hat{Q} + i \hat{P} \right) \quad \text{annihilation operators}$$

with $Z_c = \sqrt{L/C}$ impedance of oscillator

$$\hat{H} = \hbar \omega \left(\hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a} + \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$\hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a} = n$ number operators

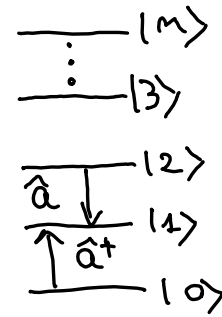
• Properties of $\hat{a}^+$ and $\hat{a}$

$$\hat{a}^+ |n\rangle = \sqrt{n+1} |n+1\rangle$$

$$\hat{a} |n\rangle = \sqrt{n} |n-1\rangle$$

$$\hat{a}^+ \hat{a} |n\rangle = n |n\rangle$$

E ↑



Spectrum

with $|n\rangle$ number (Fock) state
of harmonic oscillator

• relation to $\hat{Q}$ and $\hat{\Phi}$

$$\hat{Q} = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2Z_c}} (\hat{a}^+ + \hat{a}) \rightarrow \text{related to electric field stored on capacitor}$$

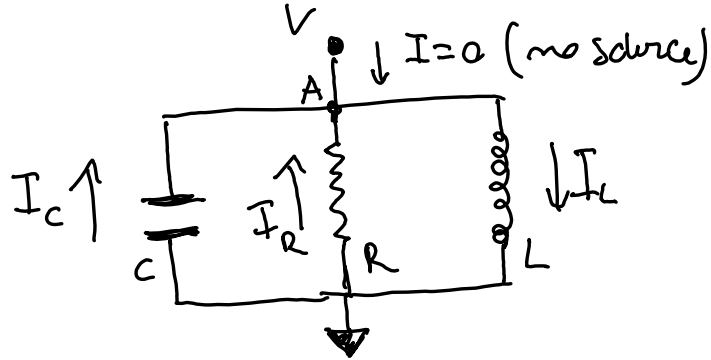
$$\hat{\Phi} = i\sqrt{\frac{\hbar Z_c}{2}} (\hat{a}^+ - \hat{a}) \rightarrow \text{related to magnetic field stored in inductor}$$

or $\hat{V} = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar \omega}{2C}} (\hat{a}^+ + \hat{a})$ with $\omega = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$ and $V = \frac{Q}{C}$ and $I = \Phi / L$

$$\hat{I} = i\sqrt{\frac{\hbar \omega}{2L}} (\hat{a}^+ - \hat{a})$$

Dissipation in the Harmonic Oscillator

(5)



with

- current through resistor

$$I_R = V/R$$

- displacement current

$$I_C = \dot{Q}_C = C \dot{V}$$

- voltage across inductor

$$V = -L \dot{I}_L$$

- Kirchhoff law at point A

$$I_L = I_R + I_C + I$$

$$I_L - C \dot{V} - \frac{V}{R} = 0 \quad (\text{same voltage at A})$$

$$I_L - C(-L \ddot{I}_L) + \frac{L}{R} \dot{I}_L = \frac{1}{LC} I_L + \ddot{I}_L + \frac{1}{RC} \dot{I}_L = 0$$

differential equation for current through inductor

• Solution $I_L(t) = I_L(0) e^{\lambda t}$ with $\lambda_{1,2} = \frac{1}{2LC} \left(-\frac{L}{R} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{L}{R}\right)^2 - 4LC} \right)$

Energy Decay Rate

(6)

- underdamped oscillator ($4LC \gg L/R$)

$$\lambda_{1,2} = -\frac{1}{2RC} \pm i \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}} = -2 \pm i\omega$$

with $2 = \frac{1}{2RC} = \frac{1}{\tau}$ amplitude decay constant

$\tau = 2RC$ " " time

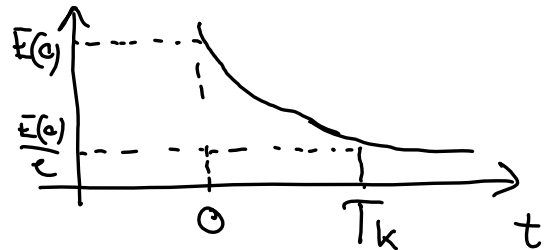
$\omega = 1/\sqrt{LC}$ oscillator frequency

- energy decay rate

$$\bar{E} \propto \frac{1}{2} L I_L^2 \propto e^{-\frac{1}{RC} t}$$

with $k = \frac{1}{RC}$ energy decay rate

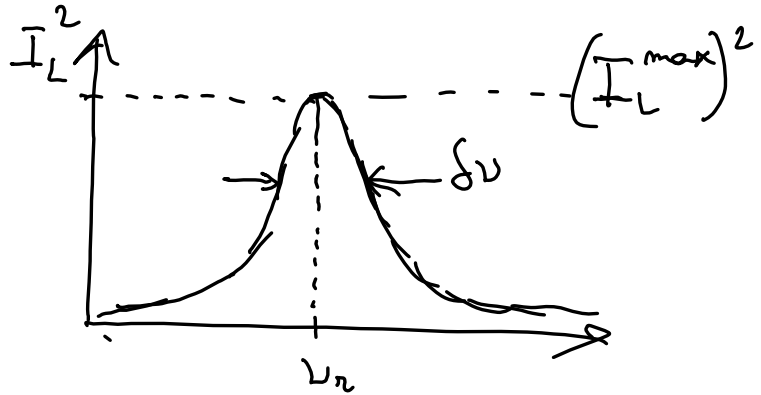
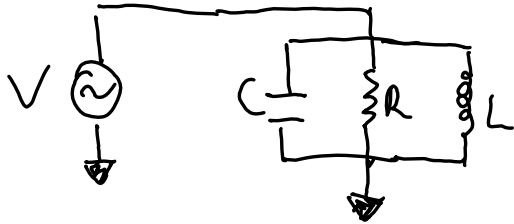
$T_k = RC$ " " time



Spectral Response of Damped Harmonic Oscillator

- driven damped oscillator

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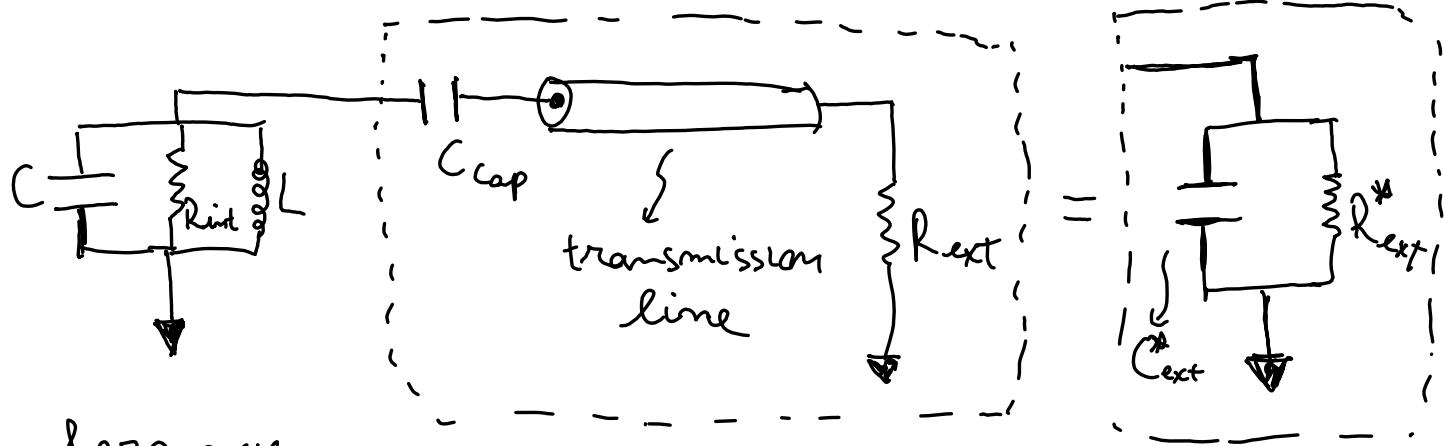
Lorentzian line shape

$$I_L^2(\nu) = (I_L^{\max})^2 = \frac{\delta\nu / \pi}{(\nu - \nu_r)^2 + \delta\nu^2}$$

with $\delta\nu$: full width of line at half max

Internal and External Dissipation

(8)



harmonic
oscillator

external
circuitry

- total effective resistance $\frac{1}{R_{tot}} = \frac{1}{R_{int}} + \frac{1}{R_{ext}^*}$
- total effective capacitance

$$C_{tot} = C_{int} + C_{ext}^*$$

- energy decay time of combined system $T_k = R_{tot} C_{tot}$

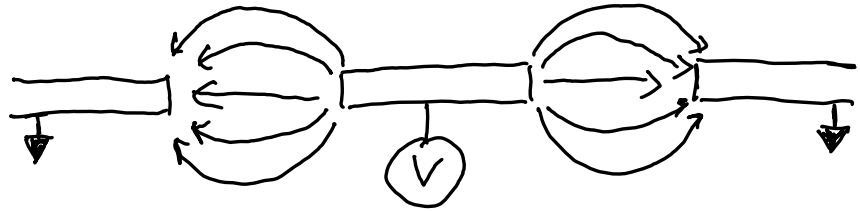
external
contribution
to energy
decay

frequency
shift
due to external
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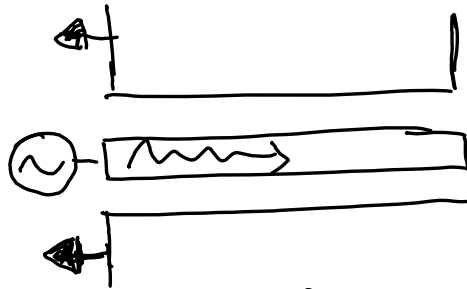
Transmission line resonator

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Field distribution of the transmission line



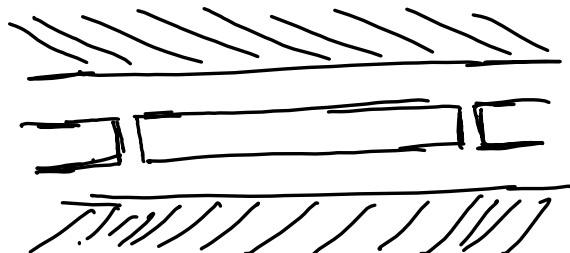
Wave propagation in a transmission line



$$E = E_0 e^{i(kx - \omega t)}$$

$$\omega = c_{\text{eff}} k = \frac{c}{\sqrt{\epsilon}} \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$$

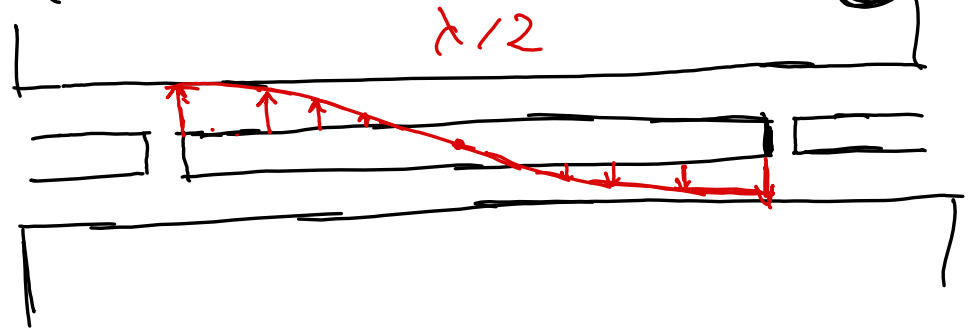
Electric field at the boundary



Capacitor as a mirror.
defining nodes for the
current, so antinodes
(maximum) for the voltage.

Fundamental mode

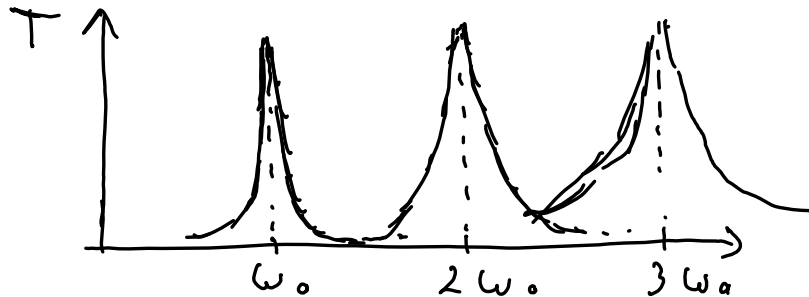
(10)



Resonance frequency?

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \omega &= c_{\text{eff}} \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \\ l &= \frac{\lambda}{2} n \end{aligned} \right\} \omega = c_{\text{eff}} \frac{2\pi}{2l} = \frac{\pi c_{\text{eff}}}{l} n$$

Excitation spectrum:



"Harmonic oscillator"

