

Name: _____ Department: _____ Student ID: _____

Team No.: _____ Date: _____ Lecturer's Signature: _____

Introduction**Goals**

- Measure the inductive time constant (τ_{RL}).
- Understand the inductive reactance (X_L).
- Understand the phase shift between current and potential difference.

Theoretical Backgrounds**1. Potential Difference**

- (a) Faraday's law of induction states that the emf of a circuit is generated by

$$\mathcal{E} = -\frac{d\Phi_B}{dt},$$

if the magnetic field flux,

$$\Phi_B = \int \mathbf{B} \cdot d\mathbf{A},$$

varies with time.

- (b) The inductance L is constant if the geometric structure of an inductor is stationary. In that case, $L = \Phi_B/I$.
- (c) The potential difference v_L between the two terminals of an inductor of inductance L is

$$V_L = L \frac{di(t)}{dt}.$$

2. Inductance

Consider a solenoid of length ℓ , cross sectional area A , and the number of turns N .

- (a) Ampere's law can be used to compute the flux passing through the solenoid as

$$\Phi_B = \mu_0 \frac{NIA}{\ell},$$

where I is the current and μ_0 is the permeability of vacuum.

- (b) The inductance is given by

$$L = \mu_0 \frac{N^2 A}{\ell}.$$

- (c) It is straightforward to derive the formula for the equivalent inductance for a serial connection of N inductors L_i 's:

$$L = \sum_{i=1}^N L_i.$$

- (d) The equivalent inductance for a parallel connection of N inductors L_i 's is:

$$\frac{1}{L} = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{L_i}.$$

3. Kirchhoff's Rule

The algebraic sum of the changes in potential during a travel over a closed loop vanishes. The formula is

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \Delta V_i = 0,$$

where i indicates each circuit element on that closed path.

4. RL circuit with a square wave input

- (a) The potential equation is

$$v_L + v_R = \mathcal{E},$$

where \mathcal{E} is the potential difference between the two terminals of the battery.

- (b) This is the first-order linear differential equation:

$$L \frac{di}{dt} + Ri = \mathcal{E}.$$

- (c) If $I(t=0) = 0$, then

$$v_L(t) = L \frac{di}{dt} = \mathcal{E} e^{-t/\tau_{RL}},$$

$$v_R(t) = Ri = \mathcal{E}(1 - e^{-t/\tau_{RL}}),$$

where τ_{RL} is the **time constant**,

$$\tau_{RL} = \frac{L}{R}.$$

(d) If $I(0) = I_0$ [$\frac{dI}{dt}(t=0) = 0$] and we set $\mathcal{E} = 0$ at $t = 0$, then

$$v_L(t) = L \frac{dI}{dt} = -RI_0 e^{-t/\tau_{RL}},$$

$$v_R(t) = RI = RI_0 e^{-t/\tau_{RL}}.$$

(e) The phase of $v_L(t)$ **leads** that of $v_R(t)$ by $\frac{\pi}{2}$, or the phase of $v_R(t)$ **lags** that of $v_L(t)$ by $\frac{\pi}{2}$.

Instrumentation

1. Board RL

5. RL circuit with a sine wave input

(a) This is the first-order linear differential equation with a sine wave input:

$$v_R + v_L = Ri + L \frac{di}{dt} = \mathcal{E}_m \sin \omega_d t,$$

where ω_d (\mathcal{E}_m) is the frequency (amplitude) of the sine wave input.

(b) The current $i(t)$ of the circuit is

$$i(t) = \frac{\mathcal{E}_m}{Z} \sin(\omega_d t - \phi),$$

where Z is

$$Z = \sqrt{R^2 + X_L^2},$$

X_L is the **inductive reactance**

$$X_L = \omega_d L,$$

and ϕ is the **phase constant**

$$\phi = \arctan \frac{X_L}{R}.$$

(c) The potential difference $v_R(t)$ of R is

$$v_R(t) = i(t)R = \frac{\mathcal{E}_m R}{Z} \sin(\omega_d t - \phi).$$

The phase of $i(t)$ and that of $v_R(t)$ are **in phase**.

(d) The potential difference $v_L(t)$ of L is

$$v_L(t) = L \frac{di(t)}{dt} = \frac{L\omega_d \mathcal{E}_m}{Z} \cos(\omega_d t - \phi) = \frac{L\omega_d \mathcal{E}_m}{Z} \sin(\omega_d t - \phi + \frac{\pi}{2}).$$

The phase of $v_L(t)$ **leads** that of $i(t)$ by $\frac{\pi}{2}$, or the phase of $i(t)$ **lags** that of $v_L(t)$ by $\frac{\pi}{2}$.



2. Connection



Experimental Procedure**1. E1: a square wave input**

- (a) Carry out experiment with the five circuits on the board RL .
- (b) Connect the signal generator to V_{in} and the ground of the board.
- (c) Connect the voltage sensor across the ground and V_{in} . Also connect the voltage sensor across the resistor and the inductor.
- (d) Set the scope to watch each potential difference.
- (e) Set the waveform of the signal generator to .
- (f) Set the frequency and amplitude of the signal generator to 500 Hz and 1 V. Also check of the signal generator.
- (g) Set the scope to watch each potential difference.
- (h) Set the trigger of the scope.
- (i) Select and click to observe.
- (j) Open the graph and plot the potential difference across the resistor and the inductor.
- (k) Click and fit the data to

$$A + Be^{(-t/\tau)}.$$

2. E2: a sine wave input

- (a) Carry out experiments with a circuit on the board RL .
- (b) Connect the signal generator to V_{in} and the ground of the board.
- (c) Connect the voltage sensor across the ground and V_{in} . Also connect the voltage sensor across the resistor and the inductor.
- (d) Set the scope to watch each potential difference.
- (e) Set the waveform of the signal generator to .
- (f) Set the frequency and amplitude of the signal generator to 500 Hz and 1 V. Also check of the signal generator.
- (g) Set the scope to watch each potential difference.
- (h) Set the trigger of the scope.
- (i) Select and click to observe.
- (j) Measure the phase difference between v_R and v_L .

References

[1] **KPOP \mathcal{E}** Digital Library: 

[2] **Y14.7:** *Inductors and Inductance* 

[3] **Y14.12:** *RL circuit* 

[4] **Y16:** *Phase Shift in RLC Circuit* 