

$$= \frac{1}{2} \frac{n^2 A l}{\epsilon_0 c^2} I^2$$

But $I = \frac{\epsilon_0 c^2 B}{n}$ from (1)

$$\Rightarrow U = \frac{1}{2} \frac{n^2 A l}{\epsilon_0 c^2} \frac{(\epsilon_0 c^2)^2 B^2}{n^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 c^2 B^2 A l.$$

The volume occupied by the magnetic field is $A \cdot l \Rightarrow$ magnetic energy density is

$$u = \frac{U}{A \cdot l} \\ = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 c^2 |\vec{B}|^2$$

(Compare with energy density of an electric field

$$u = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 |\vec{E}|^2).$$

$\uparrow$ energy density

• The result $u_{\text{magnetic}} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 c^2 |\vec{B}|^2$ was derived for a special case, namely when the inductance is associated with a solenoid.

- However: this result applies for arbitrary magnetic fields

Outline of proof

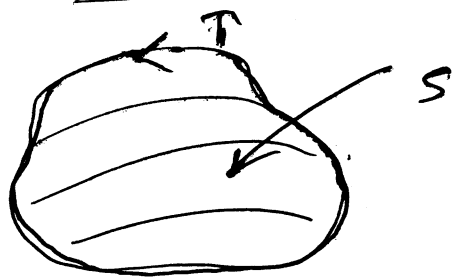
Earlier, we defined the vector potential $\vec{A}(\vec{r})$ defined by $\vec{B}(\vec{r}) = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}(\vec{r})$.

- This automatically solves the Maxwell equation $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B}(\vec{r}) = 0$ (as $\vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}(\vec{r})) = 0$ via an identity true for any vector field).

Then for a surface S with boundary

Γ ,

magnetic flux through S



$$\Phi = \int_S \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{S}$$

$$= \int_S (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) \cdot d\vec{S}$$

$$= \oint_{\Gamma} \vec{A} \cdot d\vec{\ell}$$

← Stokes' theorem

↑ circulation of $\vec{A}$ around Γ .

But by definition of L (inductance due to current in T),

$$\Phi = LI$$

$$\text{i.e. (Flux through } S) = L \times (\text{current in } T)$$

$$\text{i.e. } \oint_T \vec{A} \cdot d\vec{l} = L \times (\text{current in } T) \\ = LI.$$

But we showed the potential energy due to the magnetic field produced by I is

$$U = \frac{1}{2} LI^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} I (LI)$$

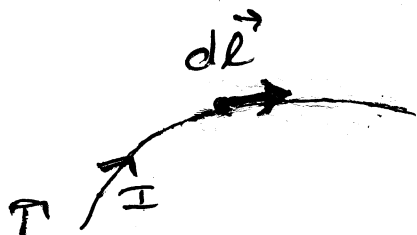
$$= \frac{1}{2} I \oint_T \vec{A} \cdot d\vec{l}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \oint_T \vec{A} \cdot I d\vec{l}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \oint_T \vec{A} \cdot \vec{I} dl$$

$$\text{where } \vec{I} = I \frac{d\vec{l}}{dl}$$

$\uparrow$ unit vector tangent to loop T



This was for a current I in a path Γ .

The generalization to a current density $\vec{j}(\vec{r})$ is

$$U_{\text{magnetic}} = \frac{1}{2} \int \vec{A}(\vec{r}) \cdot \underbrace{\vec{j}(\vec{r}) d^3 r}_{\vec{I} dl},$$

↑
integral
over all
space

where $\vec{I}$ is
current through
surface $\perp$ to $\vec{j}$,
and dl is distance
in direction of $\vec{j}$.

But Ampere's law

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B}(\vec{r}) = \frac{\vec{j}(\vec{r})}{\epsilon_0 c^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{j}(\vec{r}) = \epsilon_0 c^2 \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B}(\vec{r})$$

So U_{magnetic}

$$= \frac{\epsilon_0 c^2}{2} \int \vec{A}(\vec{r}) \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B}(\vec{r})) d^3 r$$

Claim: using vector identities,* we can "integrate by parts" to move " $\vec{\nabla} \times$ " from acting on $\vec{B}$ to act on $\vec{A}$ (also need $\vec{A}$ and $\vec{B} \rightarrow 0$ at infinity surface terms at infinity vanish).

Result:

$$\begin{aligned}
 U_{\text{magnetic}} &= \frac{\epsilon_0 c^2}{2} \int (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}(\vec{r})) \cdot \vec{B}(\vec{r}) d^3 r \\
 &= \frac{\epsilon_0 c^2}{2} \int \underbrace{\vec{B}(\vec{r}) \cdot \vec{B}(\vec{r})}_{|\vec{B}(\vec{r})|^2} d^3 r
 \end{aligned}$$

So magnetic energy density
(magnetic energy per unit volume)

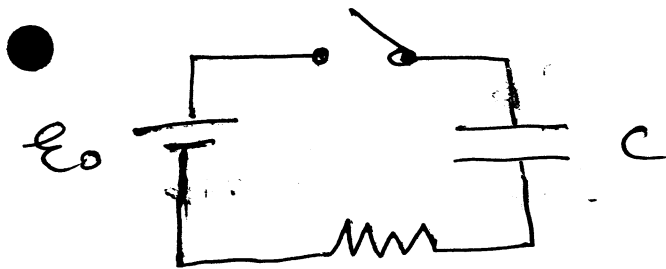
$$U_{\text{magnetic}} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 c^2 |\vec{B}(\vec{r})|^2$$

* Vector identity

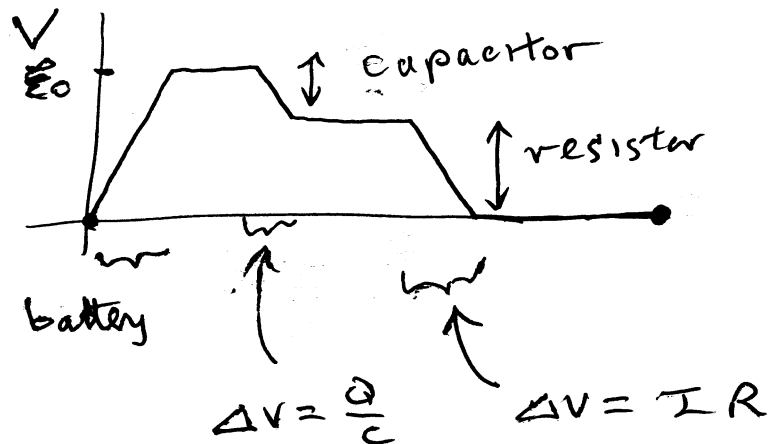
$$\vec{A} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B}) = -\vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{A} \times \vec{B}) + (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) \cdot \vec{B}$$

Examples of circuits with capacitors and inductors

- Earlier: look at an LR circuit (inductor and resistor).
- RC circuit (capacitor and resistor).



When the switch is closed, the sum of the voltage changes around the circuit must be zero.



If we go around the circuit starting from negative terminal of battery

$$0 = \mathcal{E}_0 - \frac{Q}{C} - IR.$$

$$0 = \mathcal{E}_0 - \frac{1}{C} Q(t) - R \frac{dQ(t)}{dt}$$

$$\frac{dQ(t)}{dt} = \frac{\mathcal{E}_0}{R} - \frac{1}{RC} Q(t)$$

↑ first order d.e

Solution:

$$Q(t) = \mathcal{E}_0 C + \alpha e^{-\frac{t}{RC}}$$

↑
constant

[Check $\frac{dQ(t)}{dt} = -\frac{\alpha}{RC} e^{-t/RC}$

$$\frac{\mathcal{E}_0}{R} - \frac{1}{RC} Q(t)$$

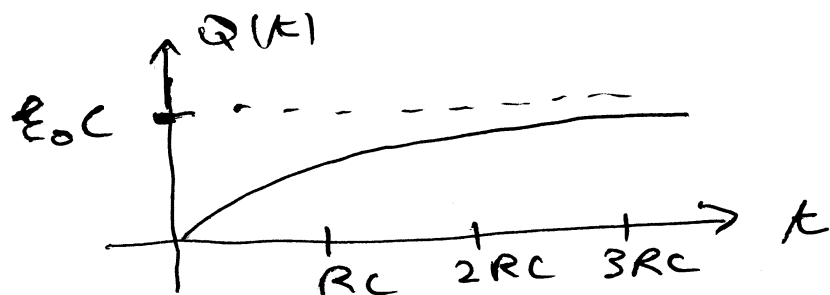
$$= \frac{\mathcal{E}_0}{R} - \frac{1}{RC} (\mathcal{E}_0 C + \alpha e^{-t/RC})$$

$$= \frac{\mathcal{E}_0}{\cancel{R}} - \frac{\cancel{\mathcal{E}_0}}{\cancel{R}} - \frac{\alpha}{RC} e^{-t/RC}]$$

If $Q(t) = 0$ at $t = 0$,

$$0 = \mathcal{E}_0 C + \alpha \Rightarrow \alpha = -\mathcal{E}_0 C$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{Q(t) = \mathcal{E}_0 C (1 - e^{-t/RC})}$$



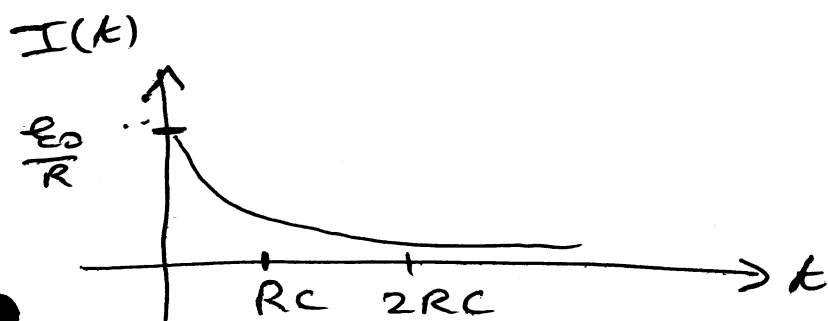
The capacitor charges up until

$$Q = E_0 C \quad (Q = C \Delta V)$$

$$I(t) = \frac{dQ(t)}{dt}$$

$$= -(E_0 C) \left(-\frac{1}{RC}\right) e^{-t/RC}$$

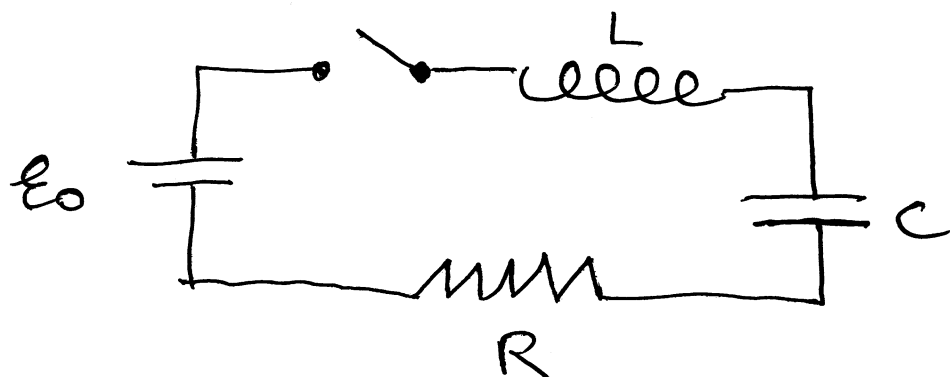
$$= \frac{E_0}{R} e^{-t/RC}$$



Current dies off as capacitor charges

$$\text{Time constant } \tau = RC$$

Example: RLC circuit



- When the switch is closed,

$$0 = \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{emf of} \\ \text{battery}}}{E_0} - \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{back emf} \\ \text{due to} \\ \text{inductor}}}{L \frac{dI}{dt}} - \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{voltage} \\ \text{drop across} \\ \text{capacitor}}}{\frac{Q}{C}} - \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{voltage} \\ \text{drop} \\ \text{across} \\ \text{resistor.}}}{IR}$$

- Using $I(t) = \frac{dQ(t)}{dt}$

$$0 = E_0 - L \frac{d^2 Q(t)}{dt^2} - \frac{1}{C} Q(t) - R \frac{dQ(t)}{dt}$$

↑ Second order differential equation for $Q(t)$

$$\Rightarrow L \frac{d^2 Q(t)}{dt^2} = E_0 - R \frac{dQ(t)}{dt} - \frac{1}{C} Q(t)$$

where $Q(t)$ is the charge on the capacitor

- Mathematically, this takes the same form as that for a damped simple harmonic oscillator - a particle attached to a spring



If we displace the particle from equilibrium by an amount x , $F = -kx$ (- sign means restoring force)

$$\begin{aligned}
 m \frac{d^2 x(t)}{dt^2} &= \text{Force} \\
 \underbrace{\hspace{1cm}}_{ma} &= F_0 - b \frac{dx(t)}{dt} - kx(t)
 \end{aligned}$$

$\uparrow$ $\uparrow$ $\uparrow$
 some constant force damping term proportional to speed spring restoring force.

So: $L \frac{d^2 Q(t)}{dt^2} \leftrightarrow m \frac{d^2 x(t)}{dt^2},$

m is a measure of the resistance to a change of speed ($= \frac{dx(t)}{dt}$) for a particle when a force is applied,