
Homework 1

This homework is due on Friday, September 2, 2022, at 11:59PM. Self-grades and HW Resubmissions are due on the following Friday, September 9, 2022, at 11:59PM.

1. Hambley P3.7

A constant (dc) current $i(t) = 3 \text{ mA}$ flows into a $50 \text{ }\mu\text{F}$ capacitor. The voltage at $t = 0$ is $v(0) = -20 \text{ V}$. The references for $v(t)$ and $i(t)$ have the passive configuration. Find the power at $t = 0$ and state whether the power flow is into or out of the capacitor. Repeat for $t = 1$.

Solution: We can use the capacitor differential equation and integrate both sides as follows:

$$v(t) = \frac{1}{C} \int_0^t i(\theta) \text{ d}\theta + v(0) \quad (1)$$

$$= (2 \times 10^6) \int_0^t (3 \times 10^{-3}) \text{ d}\theta - 20 \quad (2)$$

$$= 60t - 20 \quad (3)$$

and $p(t) = i(t)v(t) = (3 \times 10^{-3})(60t - 20)$. Evaluating at $t = 0$, we have $p(0) = -60 \text{ mW}$. Because the power has a negative value, the capacitor is delivering energy. At $t = 1 \text{ s}$, we have $p(1) = 120 \text{ mW}$. Because the power is positive, we know that the capacitor is absorbing energy.

2. Hambley P3.16

A capacitance and the current through it are shown in Figure 1 and Figure 2 respectively. At $t = 0$, the voltage is $v_C(0) = 10$ V. Sketch the voltage, power, and stored energy to scale versus time.

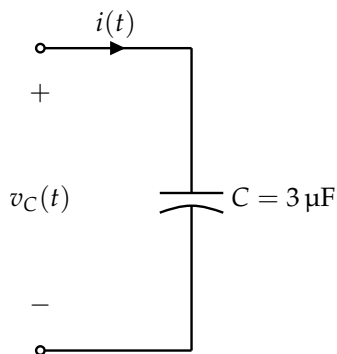


Figure 1: Circuit for P3.16

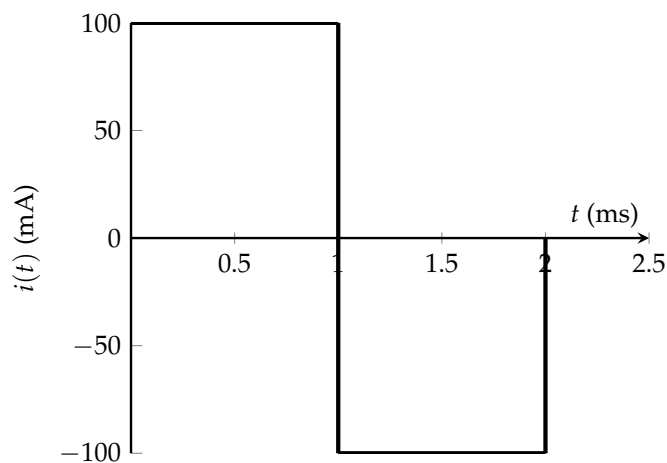


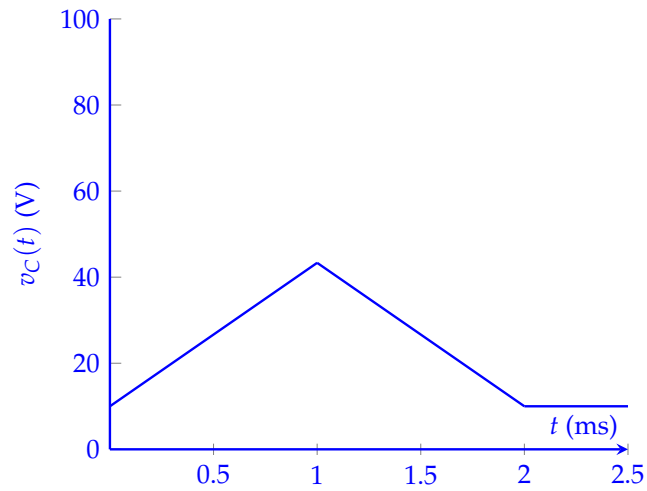
Figure 2: Current vs Time for P3.16

Solution: We can apply the capacitor differential equation and integrate both sides, yielding

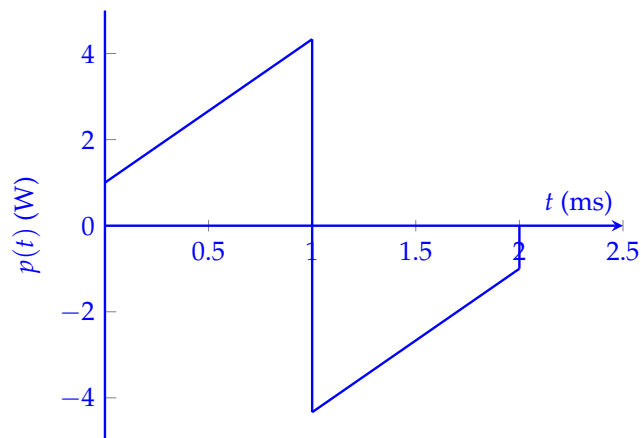
$$v_C(t) = \frac{1}{C} \int_0^t i(t') dt' + v(0) \quad (4)$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{3} \times 10^6 \right) \int_0^t i(t') dt' + 10 \quad (5)$$

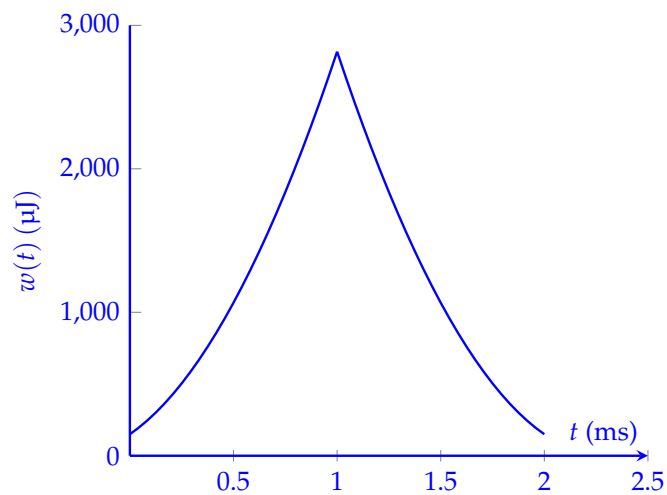
The plot of this is as follows:



Next, power is the pointwise multiplication of the above graph with Figure 2, so we have



Lastly, the stored energy is given by $\frac{1}{2}C(v_C(t))^2 = 1.5 \times 10^{-6} \times (v_C(t))^2$, so we have the following plot



3. Hambley P3.34

We have a parallel-plate capacitor, with each plate having a width w and a length ℓ . The plates are separated by air with a distance d . Assume that ℓ and w are both much larger than d . The maximum voltage that can be applied is limited to $V_{\max} = Kd$, in which K is called the breakdown strength of the dielectric. Derive an expression for the maximum energy that can be stored in the capacitor in terms of K and the volume of the dielectric. If we want to store the maximum energy per unit volume, does it matter what values are chosen for ℓ , w , and d ? What parameters are important?

Solution: Using $C = \frac{\epsilon_r \epsilon_0 A}{d} = \frac{\epsilon_r \epsilon_0 w \ell}{d}$ and $V_{\max} = Kd$ to substitute into $W_{\max} = \frac{1}{2} C V_{\max}^2$, we have $W_{\max} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\epsilon_r \epsilon_0 w \ell}{d} K^2 d^2 = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_r \epsilon_0 K^2 w \ell d$. However, the volume of the dielectric is $\text{Vol} = w \ell d$, so we have

$$W_{\max} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_r \epsilon_0 K^2 \cdot \text{Vol} \quad (6)$$

Thus, we conclude that the maximum energy stored is independent of w , ℓ , and d if the volume is constant and if both w and ℓ are much larger than d . To achieve large energy storage per unit volume, we should look for a dielectric having a large value for $\epsilon_r K^2$. The dielectric should have high relative dielectric constant and high breakdown strength.

4. Hambley P3.43

The current flowing through a 2 H inductance is shown in Figure 3. Sketch the voltage, power, and stored energy vs time.

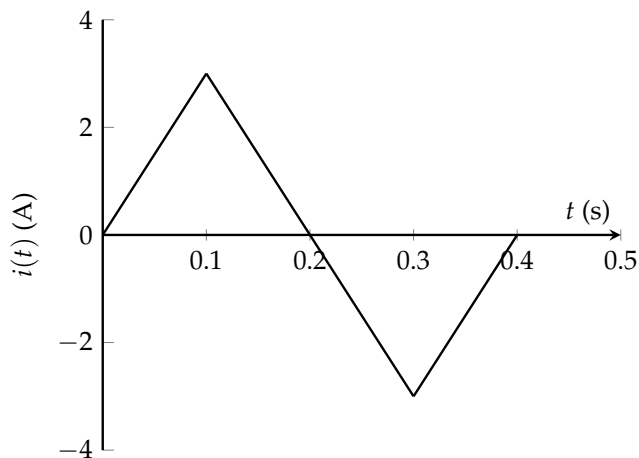
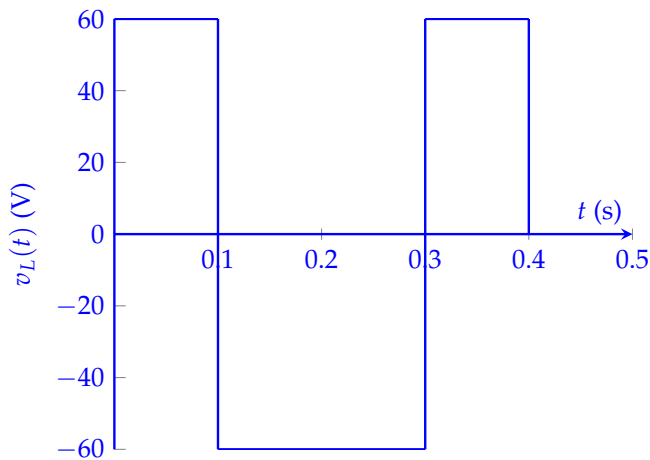
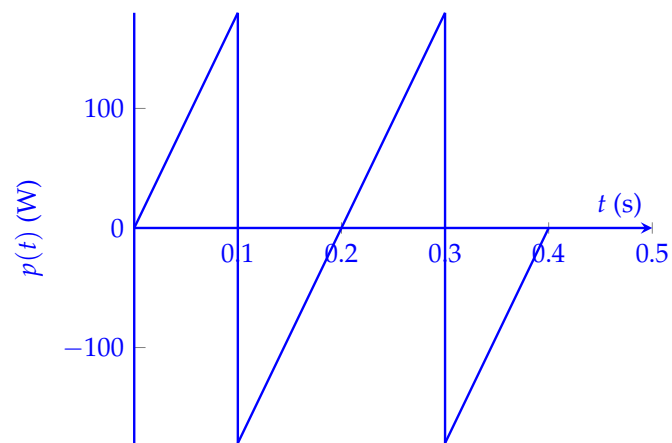


Figure 3: Current vs Time for P3.43

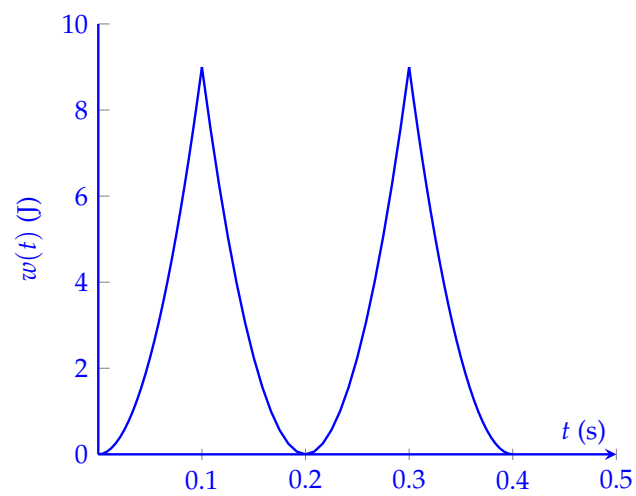
Solution: The voltage is $v_L(t) = L \frac{di_L(t)}{dt}$, so we take the slopes of Figure 3 and multiply by L . This gives the following:



The power is $p(t) = v_L(t)i_L(t)$, so we multiply the above graphs pointwise and obtain



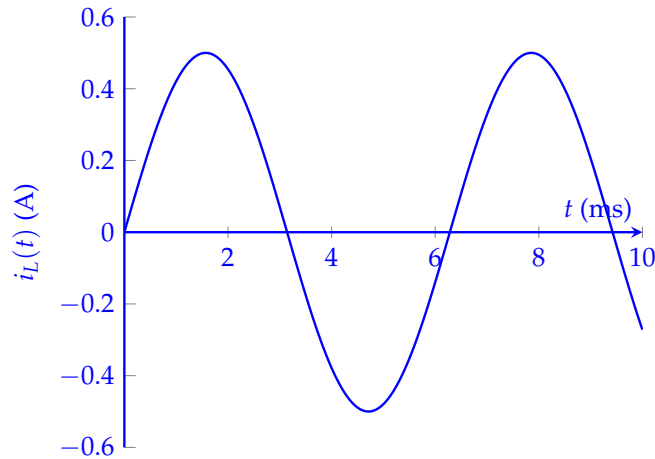
Lastly, the stored energy is $\frac{1}{2}L(i_L(t))^2$. The plot for this is



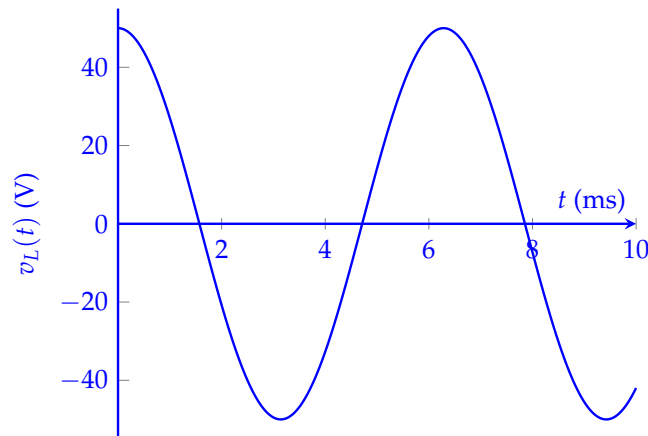
5. Hambley P3.7

The current in a 100 mH inductance is given by $0.5 \sin(1000t)$ A. Find expressions and sketch the waveforms to scale for the voltage, power, and stored energy, allowing t to range from 0 to 3π ms. The argument of the sine function is in radians.

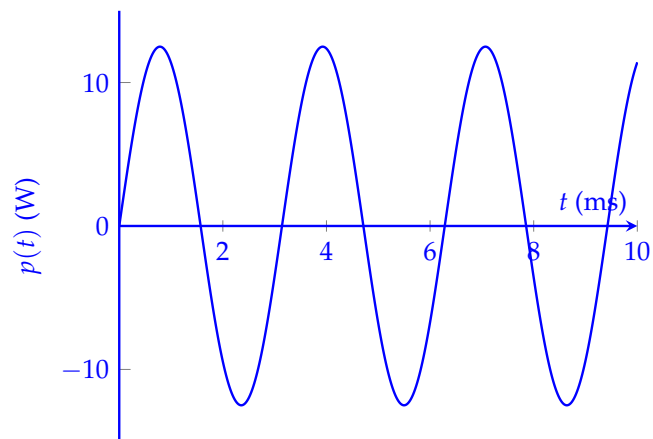
Solution: Below is the plot for $i_L(t)$:



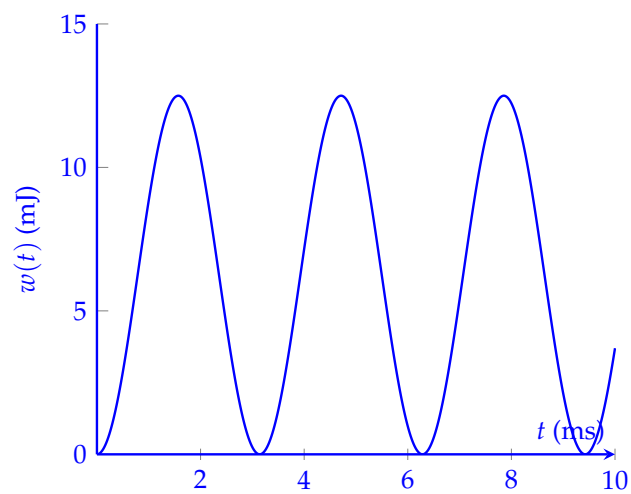
Using this and the fact that $v_L(t) = L \frac{di_L(t)}{dt} = 50 \cos(1000t)$, we have the following plot for voltage:



Next, we have $p(t) = v_L(t)i_L(t) = 25 \cos(1000t) \sin(1000t) = 12.5 \sin(2000t)$, which is plotted below:



Lastly, we have $w(t) = \frac{1}{2}L(i_L(t))^2 = 0.0125 \sin^2(1000t)$, which is plotted below:



6. Hambley P3.55

What value of inductance corresponds to an open circuit, assuming zero initial current? Explain your answer. Repeat for a short circuit.

Solution: In an open circuit, $i = 0$, we have that

$$i = \frac{1}{L} \int_{t_0}^t v(t') dt' + i(t_0) \quad (7)$$

and $i(t_0) = 0$. Hence, it must be the case that $L \rightarrow \infty$.

In a short circuit, $v = 0$, so we have

$$v = L \frac{di}{dt} = 0 \quad (8)$$

so $L = 0$.

7. Hambley P3.74

A pair of mutually coupled inductances has $L_1 = 2$ H, $L_2 = 1$ H, $i_1 = 2 \cos(1000t)$ A, $i_2 = 0$, and $v_2 = 2000 \sin(1000t)$ V. (The arguments of the sine and cosine functions are in radians.) Find $v_1(t)$ and the magnitude of the mutual inductance.

Solution: In general, we have

$$v_1(t) = L_1 \frac{di_1}{dt} \pm M \frac{di_2}{dt} \quad (9)$$

$$v_2(t) = \pm M \frac{di_1}{dt} + L_2 \frac{di_2}{dt} \quad (10)$$

Substituting the given information, we have

$$v_1(t) = -4 \times 10^3 \sin(1000t) \quad (11)$$

$$2000 \sin(1000t) = \mp M \times 2000 \sin(1000t) \quad (12)$$

We deduce that $M = 1$ H. Furthermore, because the lower of the two algebraic signs applies, we know that the currents are referenced into unlike terminals.