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INTRODUCTION

You are now familiar with some of the properties of idealized single lenses and simple spherical and plane mirrors. Almost all optical instruments are made up of a combination of lenses, some close together and others far apart. Real lenses and mirrors have many undesirable properties intimately interconnected with their desirable properties. By making careful and clever combinations of lenses one can enhance the desirable and minimize the undesirable characteristics. In this module you will begin the study of some simple combinations of mirrors and simple lenses; it will give you some insight into the complications and fascinating possibilities of complex optical systems.

PREREQUISITES

Before you begin this module, you should be able to:

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LEARNING OBJECTIVES

When you have mastered the content of this module, you will be able to:

1. **Ray diagrams** - Use ray diagrams to find magnification and locate objects, images, or lenses when appropriate other information is given for two-lens systems.

2. **Lens equation** - Use the thin-lens equation to find magnification and locate objects, images, or lenses when appropriate other information is given for two-lens systems.

3. **Angular magnification** - (a) Define angular magnification for various optical instruments. (b) Apply the definition of angular magnification to systems of two lenses, or one lens and one mirror, such as telescopes and compound microscopes.
TEXT: Frederick J. Bueche, Introduction to Physics for Scientists and Engineers (McGraw-Hill, New York, 1975), second edition

SUGGESTED STUDY PROCEDURE

Study the text—Chapter 33, Sections 33.1, 33.3, and 33.4, and read the General Comments. Then study Problems A through F and work the Assigned Problems. To satisfy Objective 1 you should draw ray diagrams for the assigned problems even though they are not specifically requested. Study the ray diagrams in the study guide and Figure 33.5(b) in the text, but note that Figures 33.1, 33.4, and 33.5(a) are not ray diagrams. There is a minor notation problem that the following table should help.

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SUGGESTED STUDY PROCEDURE

Since there is no discussion in your text specifically covering the objectives of this module, you can follow the study guide supplied by your tutor if you have one of the following texts available.


Francis Weston Sears and Mark W. Zemansky, University Physics (Addison-Wesley, Reading, Mass., 1970), fourth edition. (Note that Sears and Zemansky use s and s', instead of o and i for object and image distance, respectively.) Note also that most of the diagrams are not ray diagrams that follow the ray-construction rules.

**SUGGESTED STUDY PROCEDURE**

Study the text Chapter 40, Sections 40-5, 40-10, 40-13, and 40-14, and read the General Comments of the study guide. Study Problems A through F and ray diagrams, noting that most of the diagrams in the text are not strictly ray diagrams that follow the ray-construction rules. Work the Assigned Problems. To satisfy Objective 1, you should draw ray diagrams for all Assigned Problems, even though they are not specifically requested.

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SUGGESTED STUDY PROCEDURE

Study the text Chapter 37, Section 37-3 on lens combinations, and be sure to study Figures 37-16 through 37-20, as they are carefully drawn and merit careful study although little is said about them in the text. Read the General Comments. Study Problems A through F and work the Assigned Problems. You should draw ray diagrams for the assigned text problems even though it is not specifically suggested in the problem.

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GENERAL COMMENTS

Anyone who has a modest competence in geometrical optics has found ray diagrams essential for the understanding of optical systems. You have probably already discovered that remembering and correctly applying the sign conventions for the thin-lens equation can at times be difficult, and it gets worse for multiple-component systems. Drawing a ray diagram has fewer and less confusing rules. Ray diagrams provide a relatively independent check on the results of a calculation using the lens equations. Successful use of a ray diagram does require some practice, and you must draw several before trying a Mastery Test.

There is one case of two thin lenses that is particularly simple - when they are close enough together so that you can neglect the distance between them and when the object distance for the second lens is the negative of the image distance for the first lens. One of the Assigned Problems asks you to work out the details.

One experimental way to find the focal length of a converging lens is to set up an object and the lens and then find the location of the real image on a screen. A simple calculation using the object distance, image distance, and the thin-lens equation will then give you the focal length. This method cannot be used directly with a diverging lens because with normal diverging wavefronts a diverging lens cannot form a real image. Problems B and D illustrate a method of getting a real image with a diverging lens and thus a way to find its focal length.

Our ability to distinguish details depends in part upon the size of the image on our retina, which in turn depends on the angle subtended by the object at our eye. Thus to see an object more clearly we bring it closer to our eyes. There is a limit, however, because when it gets too close we can no longer focus on the object. We somewhat arbitrarily take 25 cm as the nearest distance of distinct vision, and characterize many optical instruments by their angular magnification. For a microscope, angular magnification (M) is defined as the ratio of the angle subtended by the image viewed by the eye to the angle subtended by the object at 25 cm. For a telescope, however, the angular magnification is defined as the ratio of the angle subtended by the image viewed by the eye to the angle subtended by the object at its actual location. These definitions are slightly different but reflect the actual use of the instrument. Note that the actual magnification will depend on the location of the final image, which in most instruments is adjustable.

PROBLEM SET WITH SOLUTIONS

A(1). Two thin converging lenses are on a common axis 1.00 m apart. The first lens \((L_1)\) has a focal length \(f_1 = +0.40\) m; the second lens \((L_2)\) has a focal length \(f_2 = +0.200\) m. An object 0.0200 m high is 0.90 m to the left of the first lens. Find the location and size of the final image by making a ray diagram.

Solution

To solve this problem draw a ray diagram, as you learned in the module Lenses and Mirrors, to find the image of the object as formed by the first lens. This is Figure 1. Now using the image formed by the first lens \(L_1\) as the object for the
second lens, draw a ray diagram for the second lens, as in Figure 2. There is no need to use extensions of any of the rays from the ray diagram of \( L_1 \). Ray diagrams in textbooks usually show particular rays continuing through both lenses, but that is not necessary.

![Figure 1](image1.png)

**Figure 1**

![Figure 2](image2.png)

**Figure 2**

B(1). A thin converging lens \( (L_1) \) of focal length \( f_1 = 0.40 \) m and a thin diverging lens \( (L_2) \) of focal length \( f_2 = -0.300 \) m are on a common axis 1.00 m apart. An object 0.0100 m high is 0.60 m to the left of \( L_1 \). Find the location and size of the final image by making a ray diagram.

**Solution**

As in Problem A find the image formed by the first lens: See Figure 3. The next step is a bit tougher, however: we cannot treat the image from \( L_1 \) as a simple
object for $L_2$ because its rays are intercepted by $L_2$ before they can form an image (virtual object). We shall proceed by choosing very carefully the rays that we will draw.

1. A parallel ray headed toward a virtual object point will diverge from $f_2$.
2. A ray headed for $f_2$ and a virtual object point will be refracted parallel to the axis.
3. A ray passing through the center of the lens and heading for a virtual object point will be undeflected.

Note that on a ray diagram, you may use rays refracted by an extension of the lens. See Figure 4.
C(2). For the same conditions as in Problem A, find the location and size of
the final image by calculation.

Solution
Apply the approximate thin-lens equation to find the image location of the original
object as formed by the first lens:
\[
\frac{1}{s} + \frac{1}{s'} = \frac{1}{f_1}; \quad \frac{1}{0.90} + \frac{1}{s'} = \frac{1}{0.40}; \quad s' = 0.72 \text{ m}.
\]
From similar triangles on the ray diagram or the formula for lateral magnification,
image size = \(-(s'/s)(\text{object size}) = (0.72/0.90)(0.0200) = -0.0160 \text{ m}.
The negative simply implies an inverted image. Since the lenses are 1.00 \text{ m} apart,
the image from \( L_1 \) is now the object for \( L_2 \) and has an object distance
\[ s_2 = 1.00 - 0.72 = 0.280 \text{ m}. \]
We now apply the thin-lens equation again:
\[
\frac{1}{s_2} + \frac{1}{s''} = \frac{1}{f_2}; \quad \frac{1}{0.280} + \frac{1}{s''} = \frac{1}{0.200}; \quad s'' = 0.70 \text{ m},
\]
final image size = \(-(-0.0160)(0.70/0.280) = 0.940 \text{ m}
These results agree quite closely with the graphical solution to Problem A.

D(2). Work Problem B using the thin-lens equation.

Solution
The location and size of the image formed by the first lens should be fairly
routine by now:
\[
\frac{1}{s} + \frac{1}{s'} = \frac{1}{f_1}; \quad \frac{1}{0.60} + \frac{1}{s'} = \frac{1}{0.40}; \quad s' = 1.20 \text{ m};
\]
image height = \(-(s'/s)(\text{object height}) = \frac{1.20}{0.60}(0.0100) = -0.0200 \text{ m}.
This image now becomes the object for \( L_2 \), its object distance
\[ s_2 = 1.00 - 1.20 = -0.200 \text{ m}. \]
The negative sign indicates a virtual object.
\[
\frac{1}{s_2} + \frac{1}{s''} = \frac{1}{f_2}; \quad \frac{1}{0.200} + \frac{1}{s''} = \frac{1}{0.300}; \quad s'' = 0.60 \text{ m};
\]
image height = \(-(s'/s)(\text{object height}) = -[0.60/(-0.200)](-0.0200) = -0.060 \text{ m}.
This result agrees with the result from the lens diagram in Problem B.

E(3). The Moon at a distance of \(3.8 \times 10^8\) m subtends an angle of \(\sim 0.5^\circ\) as seen from the Earth. With a telescope objective lens \(L_1\) of focal length 2.00 m:

(a) Find the image \(I_1\), location, and size.

(b) A converging lens \(L_2\) (\(f = 5.0\) cm) is used to view the image \(I_1\) created by the objective lens. The final image \(I_2\) is virtual and 0.250 m from \(L_2\). Find the distance from image \(I_1\) to \(L_2\).

(c) What angle does the image \(I_1\) subtend at the lens \(L_2\)?

(d) What angle does the image \(I_2\) subtend at the lens \(L_2\)?

(e) What is the angular magnification of this simple telescope?

**Solution**

(a) From the thin-lens equation, since the object distance is very large the image will be at \(f = 2.00\) m. The image and object of a thin lens subtend equal angles; thus, \(\theta = y/f\), where \(y\) is the image size:

\[ y = f\theta = (2.00\) m\)(0.5\(^\circ\)) = (2.00\) m\)(0.00873 rad) = 0.0175 m.\]

(b) For \(L_2\), \(s_2\) is unknown. \(s' = -0.250\) m, \(f = 0.050\) m,

\[ \frac{1}{s_2} - \frac{1}{0.250} = \frac{1}{0.050}, \quad s_2 = 0.042\) m.\]

(c) The angle subtended,

\[ \tan \theta_2 = y/s_2 = 0.0174/0.042 = 0.42, \quad \theta_2 = 0.40\) rad = 22.7\(^\circ\).\]

Since we have frequently used the small-angle approximation, we could equally as well have said \(\theta_2 = y/s_2 = 0.42.\)

(d) The image subtends the same angle as the object:

\[ \theta_2' = \theta_2 = 0.40\) rad = 22.7\(^\circ\).\]

(e) \(M = \theta_2/\theta = 22.7/0.50 = 45\). Notice that this corresponds roughly to the approximate formula

\[ M = f_o/f_e = 2.00/0.050 = 40\]

(derived for the final image at infinity).
F(3). A compound microscope has an objective lens $L_1$, of focal length 4.0 mm. It forms an image $I_1$ at a distance of 16.0 cm of an object of $10^{-5}$ m diameter. It is viewed by a simple eyepiece ($L_2$, $f_2 = 2.50$ cm) adjusted to form a virtual image $I_2$ at infinity.

(a) Find the angle subtended by the object at the closest distance of distinct vision.
(b) How large is the image $I_1$?
(c) What angle does the image $I_1$ subtend at $L_2$ when the final image $I_2$ is at infinity?
(d) What angle does $I_2$ subtend at $L_2$?
(e) Find the angular magnification of the microscope.

Solution
(a) $\tan \theta = \theta = 10^{-5}/0.250 = 4.0 \times 10^{-5}$ rad.

(b) The image size = (object size)($s_1/s_1$) = $10^{-5}(0.160/0.0041) = 3.9 \times 10^{-4}$ m. The object distance will be slightly larger than $f_1$: $s_1 = 0.0040$.

(c) For $I_2$ at infinity $s_2$, the object distance, is $f_2 = 0.025$ m. Thus, $\theta_2 = (3.9 \times 10^{-4})/0.0250 = 0.0156$ rad.

(d) Same as part (c), 0.0156 rad.

(e) $M = \theta_2/\theta = 0.0156/(4.0 \times 10^{-5}) = 390$.

Problems
G(1, 2). A thin diverging lens, $f_1 = -0.40$ m, and a thin converging lens, $f_2 = 0.200$ m, are on a common axis 0.100 m apart. An object 0.040 m high is located 0.40 m to the left of the diverging lens. Find the location and size of the final image by a ray diagram and by calculation from the thin-lens equation.

H(3). A Galilean telescope is to be constructed using an objective lens $L_1$ of $f_1 = +0.40$ m and a diverging lens $L_2$ of focal length $f_2 = -0.050$ m.
(a) What angle is subtended by a 2.00-m object at 100 m distance?
(b) How large an image will be formed by lens L1?
(c) The diverging lens L2 is placed so that the final image I2 is a virtual image at infinity. Find the angle subtended by the virtual object I1 at L2.
(d) Find the angle subtended by I2 at L2.
(e) Find the angular magnification M for the Galilean telescope adjusted as above.

Solutions
G(1, 2). Location: 0.60 m to the right of the converging lens. Size: 0.040 m high.
H(3). 0.0200 rad. (b) 0.0080 m. (c) 0.160 rad. (d) 0.160 rad. (e) 7.9.

PRACTICE TEST
1. Two thin lenses each of focal length +20.0 cm are 20.0 cm apart. An object is 10.0 cm to the left of the left-hand lens. Find the location of the final image by both a ray diagram and calculation using the thin-lens equation.

2. Define angular magnification for a microscope.

3. An opera glass consists of a converging lens of focal length 0.60 m and a diverging lens of focal length -0.100 m. Find the angular magnification for a 2.00-m tall opera singer at a distance of 30.0 m. (If you use any simple formulas for angular magnification be sure that you derive them.) Assume the final image to be at infinity.

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1. Two thin lenses each of focal length +0.200 m are 0.200 m apart. An object is 0.200 m to the left of the left lens. Find the location of the final image both by a ray diagram and by a calculation using the thin-lens equation.

2. Define angular magnification for a microscope.

3. The telescope in Figure 1 is constructed from an objective that is a concave spherical mirror of diameter 0.200 m and radius of curvature 3.00 m, and an eyepiece equivalent to a simple lens of focal length 0.0250 m. The telescope is used to view a pair of stars whose separation subtends an angle of 0.00100 rad. The final image of the star pair is formed by the telescope at 1.00 m. Find the angular magnification of the telescope when so adjusted. (Do not use any simple formulas you may have remembered, but do the calculation step by step from the definition.) The plane mirror simply reflects the image out of the incident beam and need not be considered in this problem.

Figure 5

To stars
1. Two thin lenses each of focal length +0.200 m are 0.200 m apart. An object is 0.40 m left of the left lens. Find the location of the final image both by a ray diagram and by a calculation using the thin-lens equation.

2. Define angular magnification for a Galilean telescope.

3. A compound microscope is constructed from two simple converging lenses of focal lengths 5.0 mm (objective) and 5.0 cm (eyepiece) and a tube, separating the lenses, 0.200 m long. The object is located so that the final image is at infinity. Find the angular magnification. (Do not use any simple formulas you may have remembered, but do the calculation step by step from the definition.)
1. Two thin lenses, the one on the left of focal length -0.200 m and the second of focal length +0.200 m, are separated by 0.200 m. An object is 0.200 m to the left of the left lens. Find the location of the final image both by a ray diagram and by a calculation using the thin-lens equation.

2. Define angular magnification for a telescope.

3. A pair of binoculars has an objective lens of focal length of 0.280 m and an eyepiece of effective focal length 0.040 m. They are focused on an object 0.050 m high at a distance of 6.0 m with the final image at 0.250 m. Find the angular magnification. (Do not use any simple formulas that you may have remembered, but do the calculations step by step from the definition.)
1. **What To Look For:** The ray diagram is a bit tricky, but the student should indicate parallel rays between the lenses (parallel to each other, not the axis). Check sign, magnitude, and units of the numerical answer.

   **Solution:** See Figure 6. For the first lens:

   First lens: \[ \frac{1}{0.200} + \frac{1}{s_1} = \frac{1}{0.200}, \quad s_1 = \infty. \]

   Second lens: \[ \frac{1}{\infty} + \frac{1}{s_2} = \frac{1}{0.200}, \quad s_2 = 0.200 \text{ m to right of right lens}. \]

   ![Figure 6](image)

2. **Solution:** The angular magnification of a microscope is the ratio of the angle subtended by the final image at the ocular to the angle subtended by the object at the nearest distance of distinct vision, usually 25.0 cm.

3. **What To Look For:** Be sure that the problem is solved in a stepwise fashion similar to that below, and not by \[ M = \frac{f_o}{f_e}. \]

   **Solution:** The focal length of a spherical mirror is \( R/2 = f = 1.50 \text{ m}. \) For an object as far away as a star the image will be at the focal plane. The separation of star images will be

   \[ d = f \theta_1 = (1.50)(0.00100) = 1.50 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}. \]

   To find the distance to the ocular we use the thin-lens equation:

   \[ \frac{1}{s_2} - \frac{1}{1} = \frac{1}{0.0250}, \quad s_2 = 0.0246 \text{ m}. \]

   \[ \theta_2 = \frac{d}{s_2} = (1.50 \times 10^{-3})/0.0246 = 0.061 \text{ rad}. \]

   \[ M = 2/0.00100 = 0.061/0.00100 = 61. \]
1. **What To Look For:** Be sure that the ray diagram has rays that can be constructed and is not "faked" from the numerical answer. Check magnitude, units, and reference point of final answer.

   **Solution:** See Figure 7. \(1/0.40 + 1/s_1' = 1/0.200\), \(s_1' = 0.40\) m;

   \(s_2 = 0.200 - s_1' = 0.200 - 0.40 = -0.200;\)

   \(-1/0.200 + 1/s_2' = 1/0.200,\ s_2' = 0.100 \) m to right of right lens.

![Figure 7](image)

2. **Solution:** The angular magnification of a telescope is the ratio of the angle subtended by the final image at the ocular to the angle subtended by the object at the objective lens.

3. **What To Look For:** Be sure that the problem is done stepwise similar to the Solution below, and not by substitution into \(M = L(25/f_o)f_e\) (except perhaps as a check).

   **Solution:** Assume an object \(y\) (small), \(\theta_1 = y/0.250 = 4y\). Since the final image is at infinity its object is \(f = 0.050\) m from the objective, \(0.200 - 0.050 = 0.150\), and the object distance can be calculated:

   \(1/s_1 + 1/0.150 = 1/0.0050,\ s_1 = 0.0052\) m;

   Image size = \(y(0.150/0.0052) = 29y\).

   \(\theta_2 = 29y/0.050 = 580y;\) and, finally, \(M = 580y/4y = 145.\)
MASTERY TEST GRADING KEY - Form C

1. What To Look For: Be sure ray diagram uses correct principal rays and is not "faked" from numerical answer. Check magnitude, units, and reference point of final answer.

Solution: See Figure 8.

\[
\frac{1}{0.200} + \frac{1}{s_1} = -\frac{1}{0.200}, \quad s_1 = -0.100 \text{ m}; \quad s_2 = 0.100 + 0.200 = 0.300, \\
\frac{1}{0.300} + \frac{1}{s_2} = \frac{1}{0.200}, \quad s_2 = 0.60 \text{ m to right of right lens.}
\]

![Figure 8](image)

2. Solution: The angular magnification of a telescope is the ratio of the angle subtended at the ocular by the final image to the angle subtended by the object at the objective lens.

3. What To Look For: Be sure that the problem is done stepwise similar to the Solution below and not simply \( M = \frac{f_0}{f_e} = 7 \) (except maybe as a check on the result).

Solution: The object subtends an angle \( \theta_1 = \frac{0.050}{6} = 0.0083 \text{ rad} \). The image is at \( s_1' \):

\[
\frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{s_1'} = 1/0.280, \quad s_1' = 0.290 \text{ m}.
\]

Its size is \((0.050)(0.290/6) = 0.00240 \text{ m}\). Its distance from the ocular is \( s_2' \):

\[
\frac{1}{s_2'} - 1/0.250 = 1/0.040, \quad s_2' = 0.0340 \text{ m}.
\]

The angle subtended at the ocular is

\[
\theta_2 = \frac{0.00240}{0.034} = 0.072. \quad M = \frac{\theta_2}{\theta_1} = 8.5.
\]
INTRODUCTION

Have you ever wondered why you can hear around corners, but cannot see around them? You know that light and sound are waves, and should therefore share the same basic properties. Why then do they seem so different in the property of "shadows"?

In this module you will learn that light does exhibit all the bending properties of sound and water waves. The effect, however, depends on the size of the obstacle compared to the wavelength. It is only the largeness of everyday obstacles compared to the very small wavelength of light that deemphasizes the bending, or diffraction, of light. In this module we shall use very small obstacles and windows in order to make the diffraction effect most apparent to you.

PREREQUISITES

Before you begin this module, you should be able to:

| *Explain interference of light in terms of the properties of waves (needed for Objectives 1 through 4 of this module) | Location of Prerequisite Content |
| *Give the source and wavelength of some common electromagnetic waves (needed for Objectives 1 through 4 of this module) | Wave Properties of Light Module |

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

After you have mastered the content of this module, you will be able to:

1. Huygens' principle - Use Huygens' principle to explain how light from a single slit can produce interference fringes.

2. Fraunhofer diffraction - (a) State the optical conditions necessary to produce Fraunhofer diffraction through a single slit. (b) Use the equation for the diffraction intensity pattern from single-slit Fraunhofer diffraction to solve for the intensity, the position of various intensities, the size of the single slit, or the wavelength of the wave.

3. Resolving power - (a) Describe the conditions for which two objects viewed through a slit or circular aperture are just resolved. (b) Solve for the
separation, distance, or the wavelength emitted by two objects that are just resolved; or solve for the smallest orifice through which they can be identified as two objects.

4. **Diffraction grating** - Solve diffraction-grating problems that ask for the position of the principal (or most intense) maxima, the order number, the wavelength of the light, or the optical construction of the diffraction grating.
TEXT: Frederick J. Bueche, Introduction to Physics for Scientists and Engineers (McGraw-Hill, New York, 1975), second edition

SUGGESTED STUDY PROCEDURE

Read General Comments 1 and 2 in this study guide, and Section 32.1 of Chapter 32. Then study Problem A. Next read Sections 32.2 through 32.4 and study Illustration 32.1 and Problem B, before working Problems E and F. Read Section 32.5 and study Problem C; work Problem G. Then read Sections 32.6 and 32.7, study Problem D, and work Problems H and I.

Take the Practice Test, and work some Additional Problems if necessary, before trying a Mastery Test.

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SUGGESTED STUDY PROCEDURE

Read General Comments 1 and 2 in this study guide, and Section 38-1 in Chapter 38. Then study Problem A. Read Sections 38-2 through 38-4 and study Problem B and Examples 1 to 3, before working Problems E and F. Read Section 38-5, study Problem C and Example 4, and work Problem G. Then read Sections 38-6 through 38-9, study Problem D and Example 7, and work Problems H and I.

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SUGGESTED STUDY PROCEDURE

Read General Comments 1 and 2 in this study guide, and Section 41-10 in Chapter 41. Then study Problem A. Next read Section 41-11, study Problem B, and work Problems E and F. Read Sections 41-12 and 41-13, and study Problem D and Examples 1 and 2. Then read Section 41-14 and study Problem C. Work Problems G through I.

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SUGGESTED STUDY PROCEDURE

Since your text does not follow the order of the Learning Objectives of this module, you might do well to read Chapter 39 through quickly at first, for an overview, then study the sections according to objective, as given in the Table. Read General Comments 1 and 2 in this study guide. Then read Sections 39-1 through 39-3, study Problems A and B and Example 39-1, before working Problems E and F. Next read Sections 39-4 through 39-7, study Problems C and D and Example 39-2, and work Problems G, H, and I.

Take the Practice Test, and work some Additional Problems if necessary, before attempting a Mastery Test.

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GENERAL COMMENTS

1. Huygens' Principle

Huygens' principle describes the motion of a wave moving away from its source by having you visualize that each point on the expanding wavefront is a source of spherical waves of the same wavelength. In Figure 1 are shown two examples of waves coming through different-size windows. The small left-hand window in Figure 1(a) can be thought of as containing only one point, with the spherical wave emanating from it and spreading into the region to the right of the window with equal intensity in all directions.

As the window becomes larger, as in Figure 1(b), the transmitted wave becomes more planar and the bending around the edge becomes a less important effect. The many spherical waves produce interference in all directions except that normal to the plane of the windows. This is a qualitative reason why large windows (or obstacles) appear to cast sharp shadows.

2. Interference of Waves

All through the readings in this module you will encounter the light and dark fringes that you have learned to associate with interference of waves. This remains the correct interpretation of these fringes, but how the interfering waves are the spherical waves predicted by Huygens' principle. An example is shown in Figure 2. Two points, A and B, are shown on a wavefront moving to the right. The secondary waves from A and B are also shown. At point P the waves from A and B have different length paths and will interfere. Depending on what the pathlengths to P are for the other secondary waves from the wavefront, you might see a fringe at P.

It is not difficult to realize, though, that for a wavefront containing many points, the conditions for all the secondary waves to interfere in just the right way to produce fringes at P are rare. Your everyday experience agrees with this: except for cases such as when you are looking through an umbrella or a far-away light, you do not see fringes.
A(1). A single slit is illuminated from the left with monochromatic waves, as in Figure 3. Use Huygens' principle to explain how fringes can be seen on the screen. Assume plane waves.

Solution

Pick points A and B on the edge of and midpoint of the slit. Draw some secondary Huygens' waves, as shown in Figure 4. Now that you have the spherical waves you can pick two parallel rays and determine their path difference. A lens is necessary to achieve a focus on the screen. See Figure 5. If r = λ/2, the rays will interfere destructively at the screen. Additional pairs of points can be chosen similarly until the slit is full. Each pair will have rays at the same angle as those coming from points A and B, which will also interfere destructively. Thus, point P on the screen will be the location of a dark fringe. The location of the bright fringes is more complicated to determine. Suffice it to say that in between every two dark fringes there must be a light fringe.

B(2). A thin lens with a 3.00-m focal length is placed directly to the right of a 0.60-mm-wide single slit. The slit is illuminated from the left with 500-nm-wavelength light. The intensity at the central maximum is $12.0 \times 10^{-6}$ W/m². Assume Fraunhofer diffraction, and find the intensity $2.00 \times 10^{-3}$ m to the side of the central maximum.
Solution

See Figure 6. The texts give the intensity equation for Fraunhofer diffraction as

\[ I = I_0 \left( \frac{\sin^2 \alpha}{\alpha^2} \right), \quad \alpha = \left( \frac{\pi a}{\lambda} \right) \sin \theta; \quad (HR)^* \]

\[ I = I_0 \left( \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{\theta^2} \right), \quad \theta = \left( \frac{\pi b}{\lambda} \right) \sin \theta; \quad (B)^* \]

\[ I = I_0 \left[ \frac{\sin \left( \frac{\pi a}{\lambda} \sin \theta \right)}{\frac{\pi a}{\lambda} \sin \theta} \right]^2; \quad (SZ)^* \]

\[ I = I_0 \left[ \frac{\sin^2 \frac{\phi}{2}}{\frac{\phi}{2}} \right]^2, \quad \phi = \left( 2\pi \frac{d}{\lambda} \right) \sin \theta. \quad (WS)^* \]

Find \( \alpha \): \( \tan \theta = y/f = (2.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m})/(3.00 \text{ m}) \). For this small angle, \( \tan \theta = \theta \). Using the notation of Halliday and Resnick:

\[ \alpha = \frac{\pi a (y/f)}{\lambda} = \frac{\pi (6.0 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m})(2.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m})}{(500 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m})(3.00 \text{ m})} = 2.51. \]

Then

\[ I = (12.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ J/m}^2 \text{ s})[\sin^2(144^\circ)/(2.51)^2] = 6.58 \times 10^{-7} \text{ J/m}^2 \text{ s}. \]

C(3). A counterfeiter photographs a bill prior to making his engraved plate. See Figure 7. His camera has a 2.00 \( \times \) 10\(^{-2} \) m diameter lens, and he uses daylight (550 \( \times \) 10\(^{-9} \) m). What is the farthest he can place his camera from the bill if he wants to be able to resolve details 1.00 \( \times \) 10\(^{-4} \) m apart.

Solution

The limiting angle of resolution for a circular aperture is \( \theta = 1.22\lambda/d \). The angle \( \theta \) is related to the bill-camera distance by \( y/x = \tan \theta = \theta \) for small angles, which you can anticipate here. See Figure 8. Thus, \( y/x = 1.22\lambda/d \) and

[Figure 7][Figure 8]

\( ^*HR = \text{Halliday and Resnick. B = Bueche. SZ = Sears and Zemansky. WS = Weidner and Sells.} \)
x = \frac{yd}{1.22\lambda} = \frac{(1.00 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m})(2.00 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m})}{(1.22)(550 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m})} = 3.00 \text{ m.}

D(4). A diffraction grating has $5.5 \times 10^5$ lines/m. What is the highest order for which a $560 \times 10^{-9}$ m green light can be observed? Assume normally incident plane waves.

Solution
The intense (principal) maxima are located by $m\lambda = d \sin \theta$. The maximum viewing angle is $\theta = \pi/2$. In this case, $m\lambda \leq d$ because $m$ is an integer. Thus,

$$m \leq \frac{d}{\lambda} = \frac{1}{(5.5 \times 10^5/\text{m})(560 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m})} = 3.2 \text{ and } m = 3.$$

Problems

E(2). If the yellow light from a sodium arc ($\lambda = 589 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}$) is used in a Fraunhofer single-slit diffraction experiment, how wide must the slit be if the first minimum occurs at an angle of $6^\circ$? Would it be difficult to carry out this experiment?

F(2). A plane wave having wavelength $5.90 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$ falls on a slit of width $0.400 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}$. A converging lens, focal length of $0.70 \text{ m}$, is placed behind the slit and focuses the light on a screen. What is the distance on the screen from the center of the diffraction pattern to (a) the first minimum? (b) the second minimum?

G(3). Some persons who live in the Arctic reduce the amount of light entering their eyes by wearing opaque screens with slits cut in them as shown in Figure 9. What is the smallest width of the slits so that the "sunglasses" will not prevent resolution of objects $0.30 \text{ m}$ apart and $500 \text{ m}$ away? Assume sunlight with $\lambda = 6.00 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$ and Fraunhofer diffraction.
H(4). A student calibrates a diffraction grating using light from a helium-neon laser ($\lambda = 6.328 \times 10^{-7}$ m) and Fraunhofer conditions. See Figure 10. The first-order principal (or most intense) maximum occurs at 38°.
(a) What is the spacing between the rulings on the grating? (This is what the calibration accomplishes.)
(b) At what angle is the second-order principal maximum?

I(4). A diffraction grating 0.0200 m wide has 6000 rulings. At what angles will the principal (or most intense) maxima occur if the incident radiation has a wavelength of $5.89 \times 10^{-7}$ m. Assume Fraunhofer conditions.

Solutions

E(2). $5.6 \times 10^{-6}$ m. Yes, if you had to make your own apparatus. The slit is very narrow.

F(2). (a) $1.03 \times 10^{-3}$ m. (b) $2.06 \times 10^{-3}$ m.

G(3). $1.00 \times 10^{-3}$ m.

H(4). (a) $1.03 \times 10^{-6}$ m. (b) It does not occur.


PRACTICE TEST

1. Use Huygens' principle to explain how light through a single slit can produce interference fringes.

2. (a) State the optical conditions necessary for Fraunhofer diffraction.
   (b) What is the distance between the central maximum and the third minimum of a Fraunhofer single-slit diffraction pattern on a screen 0.40 m away from the slit? The light has a wavelength of $5.50 \times 10^{-7}$ m, and the slit is $2.50 \times 10^{-3}$ m wide.

3. (a) Use the Fraunhofer single-slit diffraction pattern intensity graph to describe the conditions for which two objects are just resolved.
   (b) A telescope is used to observe two distant point sources 0.50 m apart. The light used has a wavelength of $5.00 \times 10^{-7}$ m, and the objective mirror of the telescope is covered with a screen having a rectangular slit of width $1.00 \times 10^{-3}$ m. What is the maximum distance at which the two sources may be distinguished as two?

4. What is the longest wavelength that can be observed in the third order for a diffraction grating having $1.00 \times 10^6$ lines/m?
1. A plane wavefront advances from the left toward the single slit shown in Figure 1.
   (a) Use Huygens' principle to explain how the wave can go through point P.
   (b) Use Huygens' principle to explain briefly how there might be a light or dark fringe on a screen placed at point P.

2. (a) Why is a lens necessary to focus the fringes resulting from Fraunhofer diffraction?
   (b) Light of wavelength $4.00 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$ is used in a Fraunhofer single-slit experiment. The slit width is $4.5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}$. What is the ratio of the intensity at $2.00^\circ$ to the intensity at the central maximum?

3. (a) Briefly describe the conditions on the separation of their diffraction patterns for two objects that are just resolved.
   (b) An astronaut lands on the Moon and sets off two bright, yellow flares ($\lambda = 590 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}$) 10.0 m apart. The Moon is $3.8 \times 10^8 \text{ m}$ from Earth. Could the 200-in. (5.1-m) telescope on Mt. Palomar resolve the flares? Explain.

4. A diffraction grating having 10 000 lines per centimeter produces a first-order principal (or most intense) maximum at $\theta = 28^\circ$. What is the wavelength of the light used?
1. A plane wavefront advances from the left toward the single slit shown in Figure 1.
   (a) Use Huygens' principle to explain how the wave can go through point P.
   (b) Use Huygens' principle to explain briefly how there might be a light or dark fringe on a screen placed at point P.

2. (a) What are the optical conditions necessary to produce Fraunhofer diffraction through a single slit?
    (b) You are given the task of measuring the width of a very narrow slit and you decide to use Fraunhofer diffraction. Your apparatus is shown in Figure 2. A 1.50-m-focal-length lens is placed against the slit. You measure the distance between the second- and third-order dark fringes to be $5.0 \times 10^{-2}$ m. What is the width of the slit? ($\lambda = 475 \times 10^{-9}$ m.)

3. (a) The intensity diffraction pattern for a small object is shown in Figure 3. A second similar small object is placed near the first, and it can just be determined that two objects are present. Sketch the intensity diffraction pattern for the second object in Figure 3.
    (b) An approaching car with headlights separated by 1.40 m is viewed through a single slit 1.00 $\times 10^{-4}$ m wide. How close must the car be to the observer before she can distinguish that there are two headlights? ($\lambda = 7.00 \times 10^{-7}$ m.)

4. You are given a diffraction grating with 6000 lines per centimeter.
   (a) What is the highest order you can observe for a principal (most intense) maximum for the $632.8 \times 10^{-9}$ m wavelength helium-neon laser light?
   (b) At what angle does this order occur.
1. A plane wavefront advances toward the single slit from the left in Figure 1.
   (a) Use Huygens' principle to explain how the wave can go through point P.
   (b) Use Huygens' principle to explain briefly how there might be a light or
dark fringe on a screen placed at point P.

2. (a) In the apparatus shown in Figure 2, where $f_1$ and $f_2$ are the focal lengths
   of Lenses 1 and 2, respectively, will the diffraction of light through the
   single slit be Fraunhofer diffraction? Briefly explain why.
   (b) If the light source emits two wavelengths, 500 and 750 $\times 10^{-9}$ m, show that
   the second-order dark fringe for one will coincide on the screen with the
   third-order dark fringe of the other.

3. (a) A small object is placed near the similar small object whose intensity
diffraction pattern is shown in Figure 3, and it can just be
determined that
   two objects are present. Sketch the intensity diffraction pattern for the
   second object on Figure 3.
   (b) A circular radar antenna ($\lambda = 0.250$ m) is designed to resolve two airplanes
   1000 m apart and 200 km away from the antenna. What is the minimum diameter
   of the antenna dish?

4. You are given a diffraction grating and told to determine the number of lines
   per meter. Using the green line of mercury ($546 \times 10^{-9}$ m), you find that the
   angle between the central and the first principal (most intense) maxima is 30°.
1. **Solution:** See Figure 18. Each point in the slit is a source of secondary spherical waves. Rays from any of these waves can go to point P. 
   (b) If the spherical waves that go through point P have pathlength differences such that their superposition causes complete destructive or constructive interference, there will be fringes at P.

2. **Solution:** (a) Fraunhofer diffraction is characterized by plane wavefronts (parallel rays) on both sides of the obstacle or window. A lens is necessary to focus parallel rays. 
   (b) Use \( I = I_0 \left( \frac{\sin^2 \alpha}{\alpha^2} \right) \), where \( \alpha = \pi a/\lambda \sin \theta \).

   Solving for \( \alpha \), we find
   \[
   \alpha = \pi \left( 4.5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m} \right)/\left( 4.00 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m} \right) \sin(2.00^\circ).
   \]

   Use the small-angle approximation \( \sin \theta = \theta \) to get \( \sin 2.00^\circ = \pi/90 \). Then
   \[
   \alpha = \pi^2 \left( 4.5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m} \right)/\left( 4.00 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m} \right) \left( 90 \right) = 123 \text{ rad}.
   \]

   Now
   \[
   \frac{I}{I_0} = \frac{\sin^2 \alpha}{\alpha^2} = \frac{\sin^2(211^\circ)}{(123)^2} = 1.75 \times 10^{-5}.
   \]

3. **Solution:** (a) The central maximum of one object's diffraction pattern is at the first minimum of diffraction pattern of the other object. 
   (b) Use \( \sin \theta = 1.22 \lambda/a \) and anticipate that \( \theta \) will be very small so that \( \sin \theta = \tan \theta \). See Figure 19. \( \theta = y/x \), and thus, \( y/x \geq \theta \) is the condition for resolution of the flares.

   \[
   \frac{y}{x} = \frac{(10.0 \text{ m})}{(3.8 \times 10^8 \text{ m})} = 2.6 \times 10^{-8}, \quad \theta = 1.22 \left[ (590 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m})/5.1 \text{ m} \right] = 14.1 \times 10^{-8}.
   \]

   Thus the flares are not resolved.

4. **Solution:** Use \( m\lambda = d \sin \theta \).

   \[
   \lambda = \frac{(d \sin \theta)}{m} = \left( 1.00 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m} \right) \left( 0.469 \right)/1 = 469 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}.
   \]
1. **Solution:** (a) See Figure 20. Each point in the slit is a source of secondary spherical waves. Rays from any of these waves can go to point P.
(b) See Figure 20. If the spherical waves that go through point P have path-length differences such that their superposition causes complete destructive interference, there will be fringes at P.

2. **Solution:** (a) The wave on the upstream side of the slit must have plane wavefronts. The analysis for interference on the downstream side of the slit is done with parallel rays (also plane wavefronts).
(b) See Figure 21. Using \( m\lambda = a \sin \theta \), and the small-angle approximation \( \theta = \sin \theta = \tan \theta \):
\[
m\lambda = ay/x,
\]
\[
y_3 - y_2 = (3 - 2)\lambda x/a,
\]
\[
a = \frac{\lambda x}{y_3 - y_2} = \frac{(475 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m})(1.50 \text{ m})}{5.0 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m}} = 1.43 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}.
\]

3. **Solution:** (a) See Figure 22. The central maximum of one pattern must be over the first minimum of the other.
(b) Use \( \sin \theta = \lambda/d = (7.00 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m})/(1.00 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}) = 7.00 \times 10^{-3} \), and the small-angle approximation \( \sin \theta = \tan \theta \) is justified. See Figure 23, where \( \tan \theta = y/x \).
\[
x = \frac{y}{7.00 \times 10^{-3}} = \frac{1.40 \text{ m}}{7.00 \times 10^{-3}} = 200 \text{ m}.
\]

4. **Solution:** (a) Use \( m\lambda = d \sin \theta \) and, since \( |\sin \theta| \leq 1 \),
\[
m \leq \frac{d}{\lambda} = \frac{1}{(6 \times 10^5/\text{m})(632.8 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m})} = 2.6.
\]
Thus \( m_{\text{max}} = 2 \).
(b) \( \sin \theta = m\lambda/d = 2/2.60 = 0.77 \). \( \theta = 51^\circ \).
1. **Solution:** See Figure 24. Each point in the slit is a source of secondary spherical waves. Rays from any of these waves can go to point P.

   (b) If the spherical waves that go through point P have pathlength differences such that their superposition causes complete destructive or constructive interference, there will be fringes at P.

2. **Solution:** (a) Yes. Lens 1 causes parallel-ray (plane wavefront) light to shine on the slit; and lens 2 focuses only parallel rays onto the screen.

   (b) Use $m\lambda = a \sin \theta$. When the two orders coincide they will have the same $\theta$. The slitwidth $a$ is the same for both wavelengths, thus $m_1\lambda_1 = m_2\lambda_2$.

   $2\lambda_1 = 3\lambda_2$ and $\lambda_1/\lambda_2 = 3/2$, which is satisfied for $\lambda_1 = 750 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}$ and $\lambda_2 = 500 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}$.

3. (a) See Figure 25. The central maximum of one pattern must be over the first minimum of the other.

   (b) Use $\sin \theta = 1.22\lambda/d$. Since the planes are two hundred times farther away than the distance between them you can use the small-angle approximation $\sin \theta = \tan \theta$. See Figure 26. $\tan \theta = y/x = 1.22\lambda/d$ and

   $$d = \frac{1.22\lambda x}{y} = \frac{(1.22)(0.250 \text{ m})(200 \times 10^3 \text{ m})}{1000 \text{ m}} = 61 \text{ m}.$$

4. **Solution:** Use $m\lambda = d \sin \theta$. $d$ is the distance between the lines. We want $1/d$. Thus

   $$\frac{1}{d} = \frac{\sin \theta}{\lambda} = \frac{0.50}{1(546 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m})} = 9.1 \times 10^5/\text{m}.$$
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ALTERNATING-CURRENT CIRCUITS

INTRODUCTION

The electric clock on the wall, radio and television, the incredibly rapid handling of information by computers, and the transmission of signals by our own nerves are among countless devices and effects that depend on circuits in which currents or voltages vary with time. Alternating-current (ac) circuits, in which charges oscillate back and forth in a wire in such a way that the average current is zero, are among the simpler time-varying circuits. In this module you will study the behavior of simple ac circuits containing resistors, inductors, and capacitors.

PREREQUISITES

Before you begin this module, you should be able to:

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LEARNING OBJECTIVES

After you have mastered the content of this module, you will be able to:
1. **Rotating vectors** - Illustrate phase relations among currents and potential differences in different portions of a given ac circuit, using vector and/or graphical techniques.

2. **Alternating-current analysis** - Solve for unknown quantities in an ac circuit, using vector techniques, given a suitable set of currents, potential differences, emfs, resistances, capacitances, inductances, and/or frequencies.

3. **Averages** - Calculate root-mean-square (rms) potential differences, currents, and/or average power in a given ac circuit.

4. **Energy** - Describe the energy flow in a given ac circuit.
TEXT: Frederick J. Bueche, Introduction to Physics for Scientists and Engineers (McGraw-Hill, New York, 1975), second edition

SUGGESTED STUDY PROCEDURE

You have already studied simple examples in which currents or potential differences varied with time. For Objective 1, it will be useful to review quickly Sections 21.12 in Chapter 21 and Section 25.4 in Chapter 25. Then study Section 27.1 in Chapter 27 for Objective 2. Usually angular frequency, \( \omega = 2\pi f \) (radians per second), is used to avoid carrying factors of \( 2\pi \) along in all the equations.

Study General Comments 1 through 3 and Chapter 27, Sections 27.2 through 27.4 for Objective 3. Keep in mind the text's convention on notation: \( v, i \) are time-varying quantities; \( v_0, i_0 \) are the maximum values, or amplitudes of time-varying quantities; and \( V, I \) are rms quantities. To make the text on p. 524 consistent with Figure 27.3, change "C" and "D" to "A" and "B," respectively, in the second paragraph and in the footnote.

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\(^a\)Illus. = Illustration(s). Quest. = Question(s).
The vector treatment used to represent rms potential differences and currents (e.g., Fig. 27.8) can be extended to give instantaneous values, \( v(t) \) and \( i(t) \). Suppose the potential difference between two points in a circuit is given by the expression

\[
v_1 = v_{10} \sin \omega t = \sqrt{2}V \sin \omega t,
\]

where \( V = [v(t)]_{\text{rms}} \). Let us draw a vector representing the amplitude, \( v_{10} = \sqrt{2}V \).

If the vector is horizontal at \( t = 0 \) and is allowed to rotate counterclockwise with angular velocity \( \omega \), it will look like the sketches in Figure B1 at the stated times. The instantaneous value of \( v(t) \) at time \( t \) is then simply the vertical component of the rotating vector.

If a potential difference is the sum of two potential differences, with a difference in phase, as in Figure 27.8, the same analysis can be applied. The entire vector triangle rotates with angular velocity \( \omega \). Thus, if \( i = i_0 \sin \omega t \) as in Figure 27.8, the vector triangle looks, at different times, like Figure B2. In summary, to find the instantaneous potential difference or current at any instant \( t \), algebraically add the component instantaneous values. To find the amplitude or the rms potential difference, add the component values vectorially. In comparing the triangles drawn here with those in Figure 27.8, notice that Bueche has drawn the triangle for rms values, but we have plotted maximum values. This does not affect the geometry in any way, since we multiply the length of each rms quantity by the same factor \( \sqrt{2} \) to get the amplitude. Solve Problems A and B. Compare your solutions with those in the study guide. Then solve Problems D and E, and Problems 3, 5, 7, 8 and 14 in Chapter 27.

Study Sections 27.5 and 27.6. Resonance is an important special case of the general RLC circuit. If you can handle the general case, resonance is easy! In Section 27.6 the author suddenly changes his notation. To avoid confusion, add the subscript "av" to the left-hand side of Eq. (27.14b) and the unnumbered equation following it. Read General Comments 4 and 5. Solve Problem C and compare your answer to that in the study guide. Then solve Problem F. Take the Practice Test, and work some Additional Problems if necessary, before trying a Mastery Test.
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SUGGESTED STUDY PROCEDURE

Your text does not treat the subject of ac circuits. If you have available any of the books listed below, your instructor can supply you with a study guide for this module:


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SUGGESTED STUDY PROCEDURE

You have already studied simple examples in which currents or potential differences varied with time. It will be useful to review quickly Chapter 29, Section 29-7, Chapter 33, Sections 33-11, 33-12, and 33-13. Study General Comments 1 and 2. Then work Problems 35-1(a), (b), (c), and 35-3(a), (b), (c).

Study Sections 35-1 and 35-2. Notice the conventions used by your text: lower-case letters imply instantaneous values, upper-case letters imply amplitudes, or maximum values. The use of rotors was first described in Section 11-4. Review that section if the use of rotor diagrams seems unfamiliar. Rotors are also called rotating vectors or phasors. Solve Problem A and compare your solution with that given. Then work Problem D. The word "voltage," derived from the volt unit, is commonly used for either potential difference or emf. Its usage is so common that you will have to learn to live with it.

Study Section 35-3. Impress on your mind the last paragraph on p. 507. Kirchhoff's rules for circuit analysis depend ultimately on two of the great conservation laws of nature: the conservation of charge and the conservation of energy. We sometimes get so accustomed to applying "rules" that we forget what physics lies behind them.

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Study Sections 35-4 and 35-5. Study General Comment 3. Then solve Problem B and compare your solution with the one provided. Solve Problem E and Problems 35-6 to 35-9, 35-11, and 35-13. Study Section 35-6. Resonance is an important special case of the general RLC circuit. If you can handle the general case, resonance is easy! Study General Comment 5. Solve Problem C and compare your solution with the one in the study guide. Then solve Problem F.

Take the Practice Test, and work some Additional Problems if necessary, before trying a Mastery Test.
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SUGGESTED STUDY PROCEDURE

You have already studied simple examples in which currents or potential differences varied with time. It will be useful to review quickly Chapter 27, Section 27-7, Chapter 32, Section 32-2, and Chapter 34, Section 34-1. If you have not done so, correct Eq. (34-7); the first term on the right-hand side should read

\[ \frac{Q_m^2 (\cos \omega t)^2}{2C} \]

Study carefully Section 34-2. Keep in mind the notation used by your text for instantaneous, rms, and maximum values. Rotating vectors are sometimes abbreviated rotors. Another common term for them is phasors. By convention the vector rotates counterclockwise, thus \( \omega t \) is the angle measured counterclockwise from the position at time \( t = 0 \). The important point when adding rotating vectors is that instantaneous values add algebraically, amplitudes (maximum values) or rms values add like vectors. Solve Problem A in this study guide, and compare your solution with the one provided. Then solve Problem D. Study General Comments 1 to 3 in the study guide. Then study Sections 34-3 through 34-5. Note the common, but imprecise, use of the word "voltage" to refer either to potential difference or emf. Equation (34-16) states that the average power in the RC circuit is \( P = VI \), where \( V \) and \( I \) are rms values of \( v \) and \( i \). This is the average power delivered to the circuit by the source of emf. Where does that power come from? Does the generator create the energy? What happens to the energy when it is delivered to the circuit? Solve Problem 34-4.

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\(^a\) Ex. = Example(s).

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Study Section 34-6, including especially Example 34-3. Notice that the circuit analysis depends ultimately on two of the great conservation laws: conservation of charge and conservation of energy. We sometimes get so accustomed to applying "rules" that we forget the physics that lies behind them. Study Section 34-7. The resonant circuit is, of course, just a special case of the RLC series circuit. Solve Problems B and E. Then solve Problems 34-8, 34-10, 34-11, and 34-12. In Problem 34-11, draw a graph of $v_C$, $v_R$, and $\mathcal{E}$ as functions of time. Study General Comment 5, and solve Problems C and F.

Take the Practice Test, and work some Additional Problems if necessary, before attempting a Mastery Test.
GENERAL COMMENTS

1. Signs

In writing the differential equation representing Kirchhoff's loop equation for a circuit, you must be precise and definite in your choice of signs. For example, suppose we have an RC circuit as in Figure 1. We can choose any convention we wish for the signs, but we must make a choice and stick with it. In this case, a common choice is to say that the current is positive clockwise when the top of the source of emf is at a positive potential with respect to the bottom. We still must choose a sign for the charge on C. Let us choose the bottom plate to have positive charge. (That is a reasonable choice. If E were missing, +q on the bottom plate would provide a clockwise current.) Now the circuit diagram looks like Figure 2. Kirchhoff's rule tells us to set the emf equal to the potential difference between points a and b:

\[ iR - \frac{q}{C} = E(t). \]

Differentiating with respect to time gives us

\[ R \frac{di}{dt} - \frac{1}{C} \frac{dq}{dt} = \frac{dE(t)}{dt}. \]

Now the temptation is to set \( \frac{dq}{dt} = i \). However, with the signs chosen here, positive current means that the magnitude of the charge stored in each plate of C will decrease. We therefore must set

\[ \frac{dq}{dt} = -i. \]

The circuit equation then becomes

\[ R \frac{di}{dt} + \frac{1}{C} i = \frac{dE(t)}{dt}, \]

and the work of solving it can begin.

![Figure 1](image1.png)

![Figure 2](image2.png)

If, on the other hand, we had chosen the reverse convention for the sign of the charge on C, a positive current would cause an increase in the charge stored on the plate. The equation would then read

\[ iR + \frac{q}{C} = E(t) \quad \text{with the condition } \frac{dq}{dt} = i. \]
This gives us, after differentiation,

\[ R\frac{di}{dt} + \frac{i}{C} = \frac{d\varepsilon(t)}{dt}. \]

We get the same equation, as we must, since it describes the same physical situation. But we get it only if we are consistent in dealing with signs.

In a circuit with an inductor, if the current increases in the direction of positive current \((di/dt > 0)\), we know there will be an opposing emf, trying to prevent the increase in current:

\[ \varepsilon_L = -L(di/dt). \]

See Figure 3. This means that at the time shown in Figure 3, with positive \(di/dt\), the induced emf in the inductor will tend to drive an opposing current counterclockwise. The net emf in going around the circuit is \(\varepsilon - L(di/dt)\). (See the redrawn version of the same circuit in Figure 4.)

\[ \varepsilon(t) - L(di/dt) = iR; \quad \varepsilon(t) = L(di/dt) + iR. \]

Try to reach the point where you can analyze a circuit physically to be sure you get the signs correct. Rules memorized without physical understanding are fallible and readily forgotten.

2. Approximations

Consider an RLC circuit, with an ac source as in Figure 5. The phase \(\phi\) in the emf is to allow for the fact that the initial phase of the emf may depend on the particular conditions. (The emf might not be zero at the instant you turn on the switch, for example.) The loop equation for the circuit, assuming the signs given, is

\[ iR + \frac{q}{C} = \varepsilon_0 \sin(\omega t + \phi) - L(di/dt). \]

Differentiating, rearranging, and using the fact that \(i = dq/dt\) gives us
This differential equation, along with the initial conditions, determines the complete, exact behavior of the current for all time \( t > 0 \), up to the time when the switch is again opened. There are mathematical techniques for solving this equation. The solution will give you the current, including transient effects. However, since we do not wish to plunge into that much mathematical detail, we can learn a great deal about the circuit by making some assumptions and approximations. In so doing, we lose some of the detailed information contained in the exact solution of the differential equation.

One important assumption we make throughout this module is that we are most interested in the steady-state solution; that is, the solution after the currents and potential differences have had time to reach their maximum final amplitudes. That means we shall not learn how the current builds up from zero to its final value.

Another implicit assumption in the treatment used here is that the current has the same frequency as the applied emf. That is certainly true, but is not proved here.

Because the frequencies are typically so large that we can ignore the details of the oscillation of \( V \) or \( I \), we frequently are interested only in average or rms values. That is what you read on an ac voltmeter or ammeter. Of course, you are sacrificing a lot of information that would be contained in the exact solution of the differential equation.

3. Phase

When two oscillations of the same frequency are superimposed, the result depends on the relative timing of the oscillations. At one extreme, the maxima of both oscillations occur at the same instant, and the oscillations add constructively. At the other extreme, the maximum of one oscillation coincides with the minimum of the other, and the oscillations subtract. There are, of course, infinitely many cases in between the two extremes.
The relative timing of the oscillations is determined by the relative phase of the two. Mathematically, the relative timing can be expressed by equations such as

\[ E_1 = E_{10} \sin \omega t \quad \text{and} \quad E_2 = E_{20} \sin(\omega t + \phi), \]

where \( \phi \) is the phase angle of \( E_2 \) with respect to \( E_1 \). A plot of these two expressions, for \( \phi = \pi/4 \) rad = 45° looks like Figure 6. Notice that a crest of \( E_2 \) occurs at an angle \( \omega t = \pi/4 \) earlier than a crest of \( E_1 \). The difference between leading and lagging is sometimes confused because, in our right-handed society, \( E_2 \) appears to the left of \( E_1 \), and therefore looks as if it's "behind" \( E_1 \). Remember, the abscissa is proportional to the time, not the position. If one wave precedes the other in time, it leads!

If you simply try to memorize the fact that the potential difference leads the current for an inductor, and the current leads the potential difference in a capacitor, that knowledge probably will not stay with you very long. Even if you resort to mnemonic trickery, it will not help you learn physics. The correct way to learn which quantity leads which is to reason physically.

An inductor is a coil of wire. A current in the wire will produce a magnetic field through the coil, and therefore a magnetic flux. If the current changes, the flux will change, and Faraday's law, \( \mathcal{E} = -\frac{d\Phi}{dt} = -L\frac{di}{dt} \), tells us that the changing flux produces an induced emf to oppose the change. Because of the opposing emf, it is hard to force a change in current in the wire of an inductor. In fact, if you try to abruptly change the current, the emf approaches infinity, since it is proportional to \( di/dt \). Because the induced emf always opposes a current change, the current change cannot "keep up with" an imposed change in emf. The change in current always lags behind a change in the imposed emf.

To change the potential difference of a capacitor, we must transport charge from one of the plates to the other. To change the potential difference abruptly, we must transport a lot of charge in a very short time. In the limit of very short times, we approach an infinite derivative,

\[ \frac{dV}{dt} = \frac{1}{C}\frac{dq}{dt} = \left(\frac{1}{C}\right)i. \]

Since we cannot get an infinite current, we cannot change the potential across a capacitor in an infinitesimal time. The potential change cannot "keep up with" the current; the potential lags behind the current.

4. **Energy**

In charging up a capacitor, the source of emf performs work on the charges, which increases the energy stored in the electric field of the capacitor. We know that a capacitor \( C \), charged to a potential difference \( V \), will have energy
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\[ E = \frac{1}{2}CV^2 \]

stored in the electric field. Similarly, an inductor with a current \( I \) has stored in its magnetic field the energy

\[ E = \frac{1}{2}LI^2. \]

Figure 7

In an ac circuit containing capacitors and inductors, and possible resistors, there is clearly some kind of energy exchange going on between the electric and magnetic fields, with the source of emf available to do work or have work done on it. To try to understand what is going on, consider a simple LC series circuit, as in Figure 7, in which we assume that the inductor has zero resistance. We construct a vector diagram for the circuit in Figure 8, referring all vectors to the current, since all elements of the circuit have the current in common. The net emf \( \mathcal{E} \) is the difference between \( V_L \) and \( V_C \), since those two vectors are 180° out of phase. Let us assume that \( \omega L > 1/(\omega C) \), so that \( \mathcal{E} \) is in phase with \( V_L \). We can now plot the emf, the current, and the potential differences as functions of the time - see Figure 9. In Figure 10 are shown the configurations of fields at the times \( t_1, t_2, t_3, \) and \( t_4 \) that are indicated on the graphs of Figure 9. These configurations are easy to figure out, if you recall that the magnetic field is proportional to the current, and the electric field is proportional to the potential difference across the capacitor. We see that between \( t_1 \) and \( t_2 \) the magnetic field is collapsing, and the electric field is building up. The energy in the circuit oscillates between the inductor and the capacitor, as the fields build and collapse in the two elements.
5. More Complicated Circuits

You might by now have the impression that all ac circuits must be hooked up in series. That is not true, and this comment will emphasize a general approach to all ac circuit problems.
The key is to break a complicated circuit into sections in which all elements have a potential difference or a current in common, and to draw a vector diagram for each section, referring each vector in a diagram to the common factor. For example, suppose we had in a circuit the combination shown in Figure 11. Both \( R_1 \) and \( C \) must have, at each instant, the same potential drop. Let us call that \( V_1 \). The inductor \( L \) and resistor \( R_2 \) both have, at each instant, the same current \( i \). For the CR section, refer the two current vectors \( (i_{R_1})_0 \) and \( (i_C)_0 \), to the common potential drop. The diagram is shown in Figure 12. The current in a resistor is always in phase with the potential drop across it, and the potential drop across a capacitor always lags behind the ac current in the capacitor by \( \pi/2 \) rad.

Refer the two potential drops in the LR section to the common current \( i_0 \). The vector diagram is shown in Figure 13. The potential drop across \( R_2 \) is in phase with the current in the resistor. The current in an ideal inductor always lags behind the potential drop across it by \( \pi/2 \) rad. The only tricky part is to couple these two vector diagrams together. We do this by noting from the circuit diagram that

\[
i(t) = i_{R_1}(t) + i_C(t).
\]

or, if we add amplitudes or rms values, that \( i_0 \) is the vector sum of \( (i_{R_1})_0 \) and \( (i_C)_0 \). Going back to the first vector diagram, Figure 12, we can draw in \( i_0 \). We see from Figure 14 that \( i_0 \) leads \( (i_{R_1})_0 \) by

\[
\phi = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{(i_C)_0}{(i_{R_1})_0}\right) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{V_1}{i_{R_1}R_1}\right) = \tan^{-1}(R_1\omega C).
\]

Now, since we have \( i_0 \) on the first vector diagram, we can simply add the rest of the second vector diagram, rotating so that all vectors bear the proper relationship to \( i_0 \). See Figure 15.
If the problem demands it, we can get \((V_2)_0\), the vector sum of \((V_L)_0\) and \((V_R)_0\). We can even get the total amplitude of the potential drop,

\[
V_0 = (V_1)_0 + (V_2)_0.
\]

Since the vector diagram gets messy by now, let us summarize by drawing two vector diagrams, one for currents and one for potential drops, Figures 16 and 17, respectively. By studying the diagram for potentials, you can see that

\[
\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{(V_2)_0}{(V_R)_0}\right) \quad \text{and} \quad \psi = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{(V_2)_0 \sin(\theta + \phi)}{(V_1)_0 + (V_2)_0 \cos(\theta + \phi)}\right).
\]

Using these relationships, and equations such as

\[
(V_L)_0 = (i_L)_0 L, \quad (V_C)_0 = (i_C)_0 C, \quad \text{and} \quad (V_R)_0 = (i_R)_0 R,
\]

one can learn everything about the circuit, if the algebra does not get too messy. Remember, the instantaneous value of any of these quantities is the vertical component of the vector at time \(t\), if the diagram is rotated counterclockwise with angular velocity \(\omega\).

PROBLEM SET WITH SOLUTIONS

A(1) Figure 18 represents part of an ac circuit. The potential differences \(V_1\) and \(V_2\) are:

\[
v_1(t) = v_{10} \sin(\omega t + \delta_1), \quad v_2(t) = v_{20} \sin(\omega t + \delta_2),
\]

where \(v_{10} = 24.0 \text{ V}, \ v_{20} = 16.0 \text{ V}, \ \omega = 3.00 \times 10^3 \text{ rad/s}, \ \delta_1 = -30^\circ, \ \text{and} \ \delta_2 = 45^\circ.

(a) On a rotating vector diagram, show vectors for \(v_{10}\) and \(v_{20}\) at times \(t = 0; \ t = (\pi/1.80) \times 10^{-4} \text{ s}; \ \text{and} \ t = (\pi/6) \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}.

(b) Calculate the instantaneous values of \(v_1(t), v_2(t)\), and the total potential drop \(v_1(t) + v_2(t)\) at the times specified in part (a).
(c) Determine the maximum value of \( v(t) \), and its phase with respect to either \( v_{10} \) or \( v_{20} \).

(d) Plot \( v_1 \), \( v_2 \), and \( v \) as functions of time.

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**Solution**

(a) At \( t = 0 \): see Figure 19(a). At \( t = (\pi/1.80) \times 10^{-4} \),

\[
\omega t = (3.00 \times 10^3)(\pi/1.80 \times 10^{-4}) = \pi/6 \text{ rad} = 30^\circ
\]

See Figure 19(b). At \( t = \pi/6 \times 10^{-3} \),

\[
\omega t = (3.00 \times 10^3)(\pi/6 \times 10^{-3}) = \pi/2 \text{ rad} = 90^\circ.
\]

See Figure 19(c).

(b) Component of \( v_0 \) along vertical axis \( v_1(t) \). See Figure 20. Instantaneous values add algebraically:

\( t = 0 \): \( v_1(0) = v_{10} \sin \delta_1 = 24 \sin(-\pi/6) = -12.0 \text{ V} \).

\( v_2(0) = v_{20} \sin \delta_2 = 16 \sin(\pi/4) = 16\sqrt{2}/2 \) = 11.3 V.

\( v(0) = v_1(0) + v_2(0) = -0.70 \text{ V} \).
\[ t = \pi/1.80 \times 10^{-4} \Rightarrow v_1(\pi/1.80 \times 10^{-4}) = v_{10} \sin(\omega t + \delta_1) = v_{10} \sin(\pi/6 - \pi/6) = 0. \]

This was obvious from the vector diagram. See Figure 21.

\[ v_2(\pi/1.80 \times 10^{-4}) = v_{20} \sin(\omega t + \delta_2) = v_{20} \sin(75^\circ) = 12 \sin(75^\circ) = 11.6 \text{ V}, \]

\[ v(\pi/1.80 \times 10^{-4}) = 11.6 \text{ V}. \]

\[ t = \pi/6 \times 10^{-3}. \quad \omega t = \pi/2 \text{ rad}. \quad \text{See Figure 22.} \]

\[ v_1(\pi/6 \times 10^{-3}) = v_{10} \sin(\omega t + \delta_1) = v_{10} \sin(\pi/3) = 20.8 \text{ V}. \]

\[ v_2(\pi/6 \times 10^{-3}) = v_{20} \sin(\omega t + \delta_2) = v_{20} \sin(3\pi/4) = 11.3 \text{ V}. \]

\[ v(\pi/6 \times 10^{-3}) = 32.1 \text{ V}. \]

(c) Maximum values add like vectors. We can use any one of the vector diagrams. The easiest to use is Figure 21, since \( v_{10} \) has only one component:

\[ v_0^2 = v_{0x}^2 + v_{0y}^2, \quad v_{0y} = v_{20} \sin 75^\circ = 11.6 \text{ V} \quad \text{from part (b)}. \]

\[ v_{0x} = v_{10} + v_{20} \cos 75^\circ = 28.1 \text{ V}, \quad v_0^2 = 924.17, \quad v_0 = 30.4 \text{ V}. \]

\[ \phi = \tan^{-1}(v_{0y}/v_{0x}) = \tan^{-1}(11.6/28.1) = 22.4^\circ, \]

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where $\phi$ is the phase angle by which $v_0$ leads $v_{10}$. See Figure 23.

(d) See Figure 24.

Figure 24

\[ \text{Figure 24} \]

8(1-3). (a) In the circuit shown in Figure 25, draw a rotating vector diagram showing $v_{R0}$, $v_{C0}$, $E_0$, and $i_0$.

(b) Calculate the current amplitude $i_0$, and $v_{C0}$ and $v_{R0}$, in terms of $E_0$, $R$, and $C$.

(c) Determine values of $R$ and $C$ such that the maximum potential difference across $C$ is $(1/2)E_0$ at a frequency of $f = \omega/2\pi = 10^6$ Hz.

(d) For the values chosen in part (c), determine the phase angle and draw a graph showing $v_C(t)$ and $E(t)$ versus time.

(e) Calculate the maximum instantaneous power dissipated in the resistor.

(f) Compare the average power dissipated in the resistor with the average power supplied by the source of emf.

Figure 25

\[ \text{Figure 25} \]

Figure 26

\[ \text{Figure 26} \]

Solution

(a) Since $i(t)$ is common to both $R$ and $C$, refer the vectors to the current $i$. $v_R = iR$ is in phase with $i$, thus $v_{R0}$ is parallel to $i$; $v_C$ lags behind the current by $\pi/2$ rad (why?). See Figure 26. If you wish to rotate the diagram to time, $t = 0$, get $E_0$ horizontal, as in Figure 26(b).
(b) \( v_{R0} = i_0 R, \ v_{C0} = i_0 / \omega C, \)

\[
\varepsilon_0^2 = i_0^2 [R^2 + (1/\omega C)^2] \quad \text{or} \quad i_0 = \varepsilon_0 / Z,
\]

where

\[
Z = \sqrt{[R^2 + (1/\omega C)^2]}^{1/2}.
\]

Does that make sense? Are dimensions right? As the plates of the capacitor come together, the capacitance increases. If they touch, the capacitor is shorted. See Figure 27.

\[
\lim_{C \to 0} i_0 = \varepsilon_0 / R.
\]

That looks OK.

\[
\lim_{R \to 0} i_0 = \varepsilon_0 \omega C = \varepsilon_0 / X_C, \quad \text{which also looks OK. Then} \quad v_{C0} = i_0 X_C = \varepsilon_0 \sin \phi,
\]

where \( \phi = \tan^{-1}(v_{C0}/v_{R0}) = 1/\omega C \) from the diagram. Then

\[
v_{C0} = \varepsilon_0 \sin \phi = \varepsilon_0 (1/\omega C) (1/\sqrt{R^2 + (1/\omega C)^2}) = \varepsilon_0 (1/\sqrt{1 + (\omega C)^2}),
\]

where \( v_{C0} \) is a function of frequency. The higher \( \omega \) is, the smaller the potential drop across \( C \). This circuit is called a "low-pass filter" if \( v_C(t) \) is taken as the output. It "passes" low frequencies.

\[
v_R = i_0 R = \varepsilon_0 \cos \phi = \varepsilon_0 R / \sqrt{1 + (\omega C)^2}.
\]

\( v_R \) gets bigger as \( \omega \) increases. If \( v_R \) is used as the output, it is called a "high-pass filter." As a high-pass filter, the circuit is usually written as shown in Figure 28.

(c) \( v_{C0} = \varepsilon_0 / \sqrt{1 + (\omega C)^2} = \varepsilon_0 / 2, \) therefore

\[
1 + (\omega C)^2 = 4, \quad R = \sqrt{3}/\omega C = \sqrt{3}/(2\pi \times 10^6)C.
\]

If we choose \( C = 1 \text{ nF} = 10^{-9} \text{ F}, \) then

\[
R = \sqrt{3}/2\pi \times 10^3 = 276 \Omega.
\]
(d) See Figures 29 and 30.

$$\tan \phi = \frac{X_C}{R} = \frac{1}{\omega C} = \frac{1}{(\sqrt{3}/2\pi \times 10^3)(2\pi \times 10^6)(10^{-9})} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = 0.577$$

$$\phi = 0.523 \text{ rad} = 30^\circ.$$  

![Figure 29](image)

![Figure 30](image)

(e) \(P_R(t) = [i(t)]^2 R\). But \(i(t) = i_0 \sin(\omega t + \phi)\), where \(\phi = 90 - \phi = 60^\circ\). The maximum power is

$$[P_R(t)]_{\text{max}} = [i_0^2 R \sin^2(\omega t + \phi)]_{\text{max}} = i_0^2 R = \frac{E_0^2}{R^2 + (1/\omega C)^2}.$$  

For \(\omega = 2\pi \times 10^6\), \(R = 276\), \(C = 10^{-9}\), and

$$[P_R(t)]_{\text{max}} = E_0^2 (2.72 \times 10^{-3}).$$

C(1, 2, 3, 4). In the circuit shown in Figure 31,

- \(R = 3.00 \times 10^4 \ \Omega\), \(C = 10^{-8} \ \text{F}\),
- \(L = 2.00 \ \text{H}, \ \omega = 10^4 \ \text{rad/s}\), and
- \(E_0 = 25.0 \ \text{V}\).

(a) Calculate \(i(t)\).

(b) Calculate the average power supplied to the circuit.

(c) Plot \(E(t), i(t), \text{and } p(t)\) versus \(\omega t\).

Solution

Begin by dividing the circuit into sections in which all elements have a potential drop or a current in common. See Figure 32. The RC combination has a common potential difference. Call it \(V_1\).
\[ v_1 = i_R R, \]
\[ v_1 = i_C (i/\omega C), \]

Where \( i_R \) is in phase with \( v_1 \), and \( i_C \) leads \( v_1 \) by \( \pi/2 \) rad (why?). The total current \( i \) is the sum of \( i_R \) and \( i_C \). The amplitude \( i_0 \) is the vector sum of \( i_{R0} \) and \( i_{C0} \). (Of course, so far we do not know any of the currents.) The angle \( \phi \) in Figure 33 is given by

\[
\tan \phi = \frac{i_{C0}}{i_{R0}} = \frac{v_1 \omega CR}{v_10} = \omega RC = 10^4 (3.00 \times 10^4) (10^{-8}) = 3.00; \quad \phi = 71^\circ 34'.
\]

Now we have to hook up the rest of the circuit. The top and bottom elements have the current \( i_0 \) in common, therefore we draw a vector diagram, referring \( v_2 \) and \( v_1 \) to \( i_0 \). See Figures 34 and 35. \( v_2 \) leads \( i \) by \( \pi/2 \) rad (why?). The amplitude is

\[ v_{20} = i_0 X_L = i_0 \omega L. \]
We already know from Eq. (3) that $v_1$ lags behind $i_0$ by a phase angle

$$\phi = \tan^{-1} \omega RC = 71^\circ 34'.$$  

The vector sum of $v_{10}$ and $v_{20}$ is the amplitude of emf $E_0$. We are given that $E_0 = 25.0$ V. The angle $\theta$ is

$$\tan \theta = (v_{20} - v_{10} \sin \phi)/(v_{10} \cos \phi). \hspace{1cm} (5)$$

Now let us take stock. We know $E_0$, $R$, $L$, $C$, and $\phi$. We do not know $i_0$, $v_{10}$, $v_{20}$, and $\theta$. So let us start with $E_0$, and work our way back. From the vector diagram,

$$E_0^2 = E_{0x}^2 + E_{0y}^2 = (v_{10} \cos \phi)^2 + (v_{20} - v_{10} \sin \phi)^2. \hspace{1cm} (6)$$

If we can get $v_{10}$ and $v_{20}$ in terms of $i_0$, we can solve for $i_0$, and also get $\theta$:

$$v_{20} = i_0 \omega L, \quad v_{10} = i_0 R = i_0 (\cos \phi) R.$$  

The last step comes from the first vector diagram, Figure 33. Equation (6) now is

$$E_0^2 = i_0^2 (\omega L)^2 \cos^2 \phi + i_0^2 [R \cos \phi - \omega L \sin \phi]^2. \hspace{1cm} (6')$$

$$i_0^2 = E_0^2 / ((\omega L)^2 + [R \cos \phi - \omega L \sin \phi]^2)$$

$$= (25)^2 / [(2 \times 10^4)^2 + [(3.00 \times 10^4) \cos 71^\circ 34'] - (2 \times 10^4) \sin 71^\circ 34')]^2$$

$$= 1.13 \times 10^{-3} \text{ A.} \hspace{1cm} (7)$$

We know, from Eq. (4), that $v_{20} = i_0 \omega L = 22.6$ V and $v_{10} = i_0 R \cos \phi = 10.7$ V. Equation (5) then gives us $\theta$:

$$\tan \theta = 3.68; \quad \phi = 74.8^\circ.$$  

Finally,

$$i = i_0 \sin(\omega t + \phi) = (1.13 \times 10^{-3}) \sin(\omega t + 74.8^\circ) = (1.13 \times 10^{-3}) \sin(\omega t + 1.31) \quad \text{if the angle is in radians.}$$

(b) $p_{av} = E_{rms} i_{rms} \cos \phi = (1/2) E_{rms} i_0 \cos \phi = 4.5 \times 10^{-3} W.$

(c) See Figure 36.
Figure 36

Problems

D(1). In Figure 37 are sketched two potential differences as functions of time.
(a) State whether \( v_2 \) leads or lags \( v_1 \).
(b) Draw a vector diagram for \( v_1 \) and \( v_2 \) at an instant of time that you choose. State the instant you choose.
(c) In terms of \( \omega \) (assumed known) and the other given constants, write algebraic expressions for \( v_1(t) \) and \( v_2(t) \).

Figure 37

E(1-4). (a) In the circuit shown in Figure 38, draw a rotating vector diagram showing \( v_{RO} \), \( v_{LO} \), \( \mathcal{E}_0 \), and \( i_0 \).
(b) Calculate the current amplitude \( i_0 \), and \( v_{RO} \) and \( v_{LO} \) in terms of \( \mathcal{E}_0 \), \( R \), \( L \), and \( \omega \).
(c) Determine values of \( R \) and \( L \) such that the maximum potential difference across \( L \) is \( (1/2)\mathcal{E}_0 \) at a frequency of \( f = \omega/2\pi = 2.00 \times 10^4 \) Hz.
(d) For the values chosen in part (c), determine the phase angle and draw a graph showing $v_1(t)$ and $8(t)$ versus time.

(e) Calculate the maximum instantaneous power dissipated in the resistor.

(f) Compare the average power dissipated in the resistor with the average power supplied by the source of emf.

F(1-4). In the circuit shown in Figure 39, $i_0 = 10.0$ mA, $f = 10^3$ Hz, $L_1 = 10.0$ mH, $L_2 = 250$ mH, $C = 0.100$ μF, and $R = 1.00$ kΩ.

(a) Draw phase diagrams for the $L_1$-C segment and the $L_2$-R segment of the circuit.

(b) Calculate $v_{L10}$, $v_{C0}$, $v_{L20}$, $v_{R0}$.

(c) Calculate $\varepsilon_0$.

(d) At $\omega t = 2\pi$, calculate the energy stored in $L_1$, $C$, and $L_2$.

(e) At $\omega t = 3\pi/2$, calculate the energy stored in $L_1$, $C$, and $L_2$.

\[ E = E_0 \sin \omega t \]

\[ I = i_0 \sin \omega t \]

\[ \mathcal{E} = \varepsilon_0 \sin \omega t \]

\[ \mathcal{E} = \varepsilon_0 \sin \omega t \]

\[ Figure 38 \]

\[ Figure 39 \]

Solutions

D(1). (a) $v_2$ lags $v_1$ by $\pi/3$.

(b) See Figure 40, at $t = 0$.

(c) $v_1(t) = 10.0 \sin(\omega t = \pi/2) = 10.0 \cos \omega t$.

\[ v_1(t) = 7.5 \sin(\omega t + \pi/2 - \pi/3) = 7.5 \cos(\omega t - \pi/3). \]

E(1-4). (a). See Figure 41.

(b) $i_0 = \varepsilon_0 / \sqrt{R^2 + (\omega L)^2}$. $v_{R0} = \varepsilon_0 R / \sqrt{R^2 + (\omega L)^2}$. $v_{L0} = \varepsilon_0 / \sqrt{R^2 + (\omega L)^2}$. $v_0 = \varepsilon_0 / \sqrt{R^2 + (\omega L)^2}$.
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(c) \( R = 3.46 \times 10^4 \); e.g., if \( L = 0.200 \) \( \text{H} \), \( R = 6.92 \times 10^3 \) \( \Omega \).

(d) \( \phi = 30^\circ \). See Figure 42.

(e) \( (P_r)_{\text{max}} = i_0^2R = \varepsilon_0^2R/[R^2 + (\omega L)^2] \).

(f) \( (P_r)_{\text{av}} = (1/2)i_0^2R = \varepsilon_0^2R/[R^2 + (\omega L)^2] \).

\[ (P_e)_{\text{av}} = \varepsilon_0^2R/[R^2 + (\omega L)^2] \].

Figure 41

\( (P_d)_{\text{av}} = (3/2)R/R + (4)^2 \).

Figure 42

(a) See Figure 43. \( \phi = 57.5^\circ = 1.00 \) rad.

(b) \( v_{L10} = 0.628 \) \( \text{V} \); \( v_{C0} = 15.9 \) \( \text{V} \); \( v_{L20} = 13.2 \) \( \text{V} \);

(c) \( \varepsilon_0 = 11.9 \) \( \text{V} \).

(d) \( E(L_1) = 0; \ E(C) = 1.26 \times 10^{-5} \) \( \text{J} \); \( E(L_2) = 2.57 \times 10^{-6} \) \( \text{J} \).

(e) \( E(L_1) = 0.50 \times 10^{-6} \) \( \text{J} \); \( E(C) = 0; \ E(L_2) = 6.32 \times 10^{-6} \) \( \text{J} \).
1. See Figure 45.

2. \( i_R(t) = 1.50 \times 10^{-3} \sin(2.00 \times 10^4 t); \ i_L(t) = 0.300 \sin(2.00 \times 10^4 t - \pi/2). \)
   \( i_C(t) = 1.20 \sin(2.00 \times 10^4 t + \pi/2); \ i(t) = 0.90 \sin(2.00 \times 10^4 t + 89^\circ). \)

3. \( (P_R)^av = 0.225 \text{ W}; \ (P_L)^av = 0; \ (P_C)^av = 0; \ (P_E)^av = 0.225 \text{ W}. \)

4. Source supplies energy that is dissipated in the resistor, as heat. Some of the remaining energy oscillates back and forth between the electric field of the capacitor and the magnetic field of the inductor. The rest is alternately pumped into the source and is supplied by the source.

5. At the resonance frequency, \( i_0 = i_R = E/R. \) The phase angle is zero. The total energy in the LC part of the circuit remains constant, simply oscillating back and forth between the capacitor and the inductor.

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**Figure 45**

Voltage source \( E \) with capacitor \( C \), inductor \( L \), and resistor \( R \). The currents are indicated by arrows. The frequency is \( \omega = 2.00 \times 10^4 \text{ rad/s}. \)

**Practice Test**

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1. In the circuit shown in Figure 1, calculate the currents as a function of time. Include in your solution a phase diagram showing all relevant phases. Assume that $E_0$, $\omega$, $R$, $L$, and $C$ are known. Plot $i(t)$ and $\theta(t)$ as functions of $\omega t$.

2. Given that $\omega$ is $10^6$ rad/s, $E_0 = 15.0$ V, $R = 10.0$ k$\Omega$, determine values of $L$ and $C$ that will satisfy the resonance condition. What happens to the amplitude of $i$ under that condition?

3. With the values of $L$ and $C$ determined in Problem 2, calculate the maximum energy in the magnetic field of the inductor, and the maximum energy in the electric field of the capacitor. Describe how these energies vary with time.

4. Calculate the average power delivered to the circuit under the conditions of Problem 2.
The following problems apply to the circuit shown in Figure 1. Assume $E_0$, $\omega$, $R$, $L$, and $C$ are known.

1. Divide the circuit into sections that have a common current or potential. Draw a vector diagram for each section.

2. What is the phase angle between the emf $E$ and the potential drop across the resistor $V_R$? Does $V_R$ lead or lag $E$? What is the phase angle between the current $i$ and the emf $E$? You may express your answer in terms of the (unknown) currents $i_1$ and $i_2$ if you wish.

3. Calculate the average power dissipated in the resistor, in terms of $E_0$, $R$, $L$, $C$, and $\omega$.

4. Describe the energy flow in the circuit, qualitatively, and as quantitatively as you can.

Figure 1

$E = E_0 \sin \omega t$
In the circuit shown in Figure 1, draw a vector diagram showing all currents and potential differences. Calculate the current $i$ as a function of time. Let $E_0 = 1.00 \, V$, $\omega = 377 \, \text{rad/s (or } f = 60 \, \text{Hz)}$, $R = 500 \, \Omega$, $L = 4.0 \, \text{H}$, and $C = 2.00 \, \mu\text{F}$.

2. Calculate the power delivered by the source as a function of time. Calculate the power into the field of the capacitor as a function of time.

3. Calculate the average power delivered to the circuit. What would you do to $L$, or $C$, or the product $LC$, to maximize the power delivered?

4. Describe the energy flow as a function of time.

Figure 1
1. What To Look For: Diagram may be done in parts, but all phases should be properly indicated. Figure 50 is plotted for positive $\phi$. Be sure student knows the difference between positive and negative phase.

Solution: See Figure 49. $v_{10} = i_{L0} \omega L = i_{C0}/\omega C$. 

$$v_{R0} = i_{0R}.$$  \hspace{1cm} (A1)

$$i_0 = i_{C0} - i_{L0}.$$  \hspace{1cm} (A2)

From Eq. (A1), $i_{C0} = i_{L0} \omega^2 L C$. From Eq. (A3), 

$$i_0 = i_{L0} (\omega^2 L C - 1);$$  \hspace{1cm} (A3)

$$\phi = \tan^{-1}(v_{10}/v_{R0}) = \tan^{-1}(i_{L0} \omega L/i_{0R}) = \tan^{-1}[\omega L/R(\omega^2 L C - 1)].$$  \hspace{1cm} (A4)

From Eqs. (A4) and (A1), 

$$i_0 = i_{L0} (\omega^2 L C - 1) = (v_{10}/\omega L)(\omega^2 L C - 1) = (E_0 \sin \phi/L)(\omega^2 L C - 1);$$  \hspace{1cm} (A5)

$$i = i_0 \sin(\omega t + \phi).$$  \hspace{1cm} (A6)

2. What To Look For: Any combination of L and C such that $LC = 10^{-12}$ is OK.

Solution: Resonance occurs when $\omega = 1/\sqrt{LC}$, therefore 

$$LC = 1/\omega^2 = 10^{-12} \text{ s/rad}.$$  

Let $L = 1.00 \text{ mH}$, $C = 1 \text{ nF}$, for example? 

$$i_0 = E_0 \sin \phi(\omega C - 1/\omega L) = E_0 (\omega C - 1/\omega L)(\omega L/[R^2(\omega^2 L C - 1)^2 + (\omega L)^2]^{1/2}).$$
If \( \omega = 1/\sqrt{LC} \), \( i_0 = \varepsilon_0 \times 0 = 0 \).

3. **What To Look For:** There is no current from the source at resonance. Know energy of an inductor and a capacitor. The maximum energies in \( L \) and \( C \) are the same at resonance.

**Solution:** \( (E_L)_{\text{max}} = (1/2)Li_0^2 \). Since \( i_0 \) is zero, the potential difference across the inductor and capacitor is the potential difference across the source:

\[
\varepsilon_0 = v_{10} = i_{L0} \sqrt{L}, \quad i_{L0} = \varepsilon_0 / \sqrt{L};
\]

\[
(E_v)_{\text{max}} = (1/2)Li_{L0}^2 = \varepsilon_0^2 / 2\omega^2 L, \quad \omega^2 = 1/LC.
\]

Therefore,

\[
(E_L)_{\text{max}} = (1/2)\varepsilon_0^2 C = (1/2)(15)(10^{-9}) = 1.125 \times 10^{-7} \text{ J},
\]

\[
(E_C)_{\text{max}} = (1/2)C\varepsilon_0^2 = (1/2)Cv_{10}^2 = 1.125 \times 10^{-7} \text{ J}.
\]

Since \( \phi = \pi/2 \), \( E_L \) is a maximum when \( E_C \) is zero, and vice versa. Energy leaves the collapsing magnetic field, and goes into building the electric field, etc.

4. **Solution:** Since the current \( i_0 \) is zero, the power delivered to circuit:

\[
P_{\text{av}} = (1/2)\varepsilon_0 i_0 \cos \phi = 0.
\]

Current oscillates in the LC branch, but no power is dissipated, and none is delivered by the source.
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MASTERY TEST GRADING KEY - Form B

1. What To Look For: Correct phase relations. Ask student about omitted quantities.
   Solution: See Figure 51.

2. What To Look For: Any of the relations below are OK. Algebra not as important as beginning with correct relationships.
   Solution: \( \phi = \tan^{-1}(v_{LO}/v_{RO}) = \tan^{-1}[i_{10}\omega L/i_{10}R] = \tan^{-1}(\omega L/R) \). \( v_R \) leads \( E \). The angle between \( i \) and \( E \) is \( \theta \).

   \[ \theta = \tan^{-1}\left[\frac{1}{(i_{10})_x} \right] = \tan^{-1}\left[\frac{i_{10} + i_{10} \sin \phi}{i_{10} \cos \phi}\right] \]

   \[ = \tan^{-1}\left[\frac{E_0 \omega C + (E_0/R) \cos \phi \sin \phi}{(E_0/R) \cos^2 \phi}\right] = \tan^{-1}\left[\frac{\omega (CR^2 + \omega^2 L^2) + \omega L}{R}\right]. \]

3. What To Look For: Knowledge that rms voltages and currents are \( 1/\sqrt{2} \) times amplitudes. Look for correct place to start in \( P_R \) calculation.
   Solution: \( i_{10} = v_{RO}/R = (E_0 \cos \phi)/R = E_0/(R^2 + \omega^2 L^2)^{1/2}. \)

   \[ (P_R)_{av} = (v_{R \text{rms}})(i_{1 \text{rms}}) \cos \phi = (1/2)v_{RO}i_{10} \cos \phi = E_0^2 R^2/2(R^2 + \omega^2 L^2)^{3/2}. \]

4. Solution: Energy will oscillate back and forth between magnetic and electric fields. Energy dissipated by the resistor will be supplied by the source. In general, some energy will alternately enter and leave the source from \( L \) or \( C \). Quantitatively,
\[ P_L(t) = iv_L = \frac{2\varepsilon_0 R^2 \omega L}{(R^2 + \omega^2 L^2)} \sin(\omega t + \phi) \sin(\omega t + \phi - \frac{\pi}{2}) \]
\[ = -\frac{\varepsilon_0 R^2 \omega L}{(R^2 + \omega^2 L^2)} \sin(\omega t + \phi) \cos(\omega t + \phi) = -\frac{\varepsilon_0 R^2 \omega L}{2(R^2 + \omega^2 L^2)} \sin[2(\omega t + \phi)]. \]

\[ P_C(t) = vC^2i_2 = \varepsilon_0 \omega C \sin(\omega (t + \pi/2)) = (1/2)\varepsilon_0 \omega C \sin[2(\omega t)]. \]

\[ P_R(t) = vR^2i_1 = i_{10}^2R \sin^2(\omega t + \phi). \]

To plot these would be very messy. It is important that \( P_L \) and \( P_C \) are out of phase, and there is an oscillation in energy.
MASTERY TEST GRADING KEY - Form C

1. **What To Look For:** Correct signs of all phases. All angles correct. Arithmetic not so important. Proper setup is important.

**Solution:** See Figure 52.

\[
 i = \frac{E_0 \sin(\omega t + \phi)}{Z} = \frac{E_0 \sin(\omega t + \phi)}{R^2 + (\omega L - 1/j\omega C)^2}^{1/2}; \quad \phi = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\omega L - 1/j\omega C}{R}\right) = 20.0^\circ.
\]

\[
i = \frac{156 \sin(\omega t + 20^\circ)}{(500)^2 + (377(4) - 1/[377(2 \times 10^{-6})]2)^{1/2}} = 0.293 \sin(\omega t + 20^\circ).
\]

2. **Solution:**

\[
P_E(t) = E(t)i(t) = E_0i_0 \sin \omega t \sin(\omega t + \phi) = 45.7 \sin \omega t \sin(\omega t + \phi).
\]

\[
P_C(t) = v_C(t)i(t) = (i^2/j\omega C) \sin(\omega t - \pi/2) \sin(\omega t + \phi) = -(i^2/j\omega C) \cos \omega t \sin(\omega t + \phi)
\]

\[
(P_E)_{av} = (1/2)E_0i_0 \cos \phi = (1/2)(156)(0.293) \cos 20^\circ = 21.4 \text{ W}.
\]

3. Maximize \(i_C\) and \(\cos \phi\) by setting \(\sqrt{LC} = 1/\omega\). Maximum energies in the inductor and capacitor are not the same, except in resonance. In this case,

\[
(E_L)_{max} = (1/2)Li_0^2 = 0.172 \text{ J} \quad (E_C)_{max} = (1/2)Cv_0^2 = (1/2)C(i_0^2/2C^2) = 0.151 \text{ J}.
\]

The 0.151 J is transferred from the electric field of the capacitor to the magnetic field of the inductor. Energy is dissipated in the resistor, with the maximum value of power dissipation being \((P_R)_{max} = (1/2)i_0^2R = 21.5 \text{ W}\), with an average value of 10.7 W. Some energy (0.021 J max) is alternatively put back into the source, and delivered by it to the electric field of the capacitor.

![Figure 52](image-url)