

# Formula Sheet

$$x(t) = x_f + [x(t_o) - x_f]e^{-(t-t_o)/\tau}, \text{ general response for 1}^{\text{st}}\text{-order circuit, } \tau = \frac{L}{R} \text{ or } \tau = RC$$

$v_L = L \frac{di}{dt}$	$i_L = \frac{1}{L} \int_{t_o}^t v(x) dx + i(t_o)$	$p_L = Li \frac{di}{dt}$	$\omega_L = \frac{1}{2} Li^2$
$v_C = \frac{1}{C} \int_{t_o}^t i(x) dx + v(t_o)$	$i_C = C \frac{dv}{dt}$	$p_C = Cv \frac{dv}{dt}$	$\omega_C = \frac{1}{2} Cv^2$

$s_{1,2} = -\alpha \pm \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_o^2}$	$\omega_o^2 = \frac{1}{LC}$	$\alpha = \frac{1}{2RC}$ (parallel)	$\alpha = \frac{R}{2L}$ (series)
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- The response of a second-order circuit is overdamped, underdamped, or critically damped as follows:

THE CIRCUIT IS	WHEN	QUALITATIVE NATURE OF THE RESPONSE
Overdamped	$\alpha^2 > \omega_o^2$	The voltage or current approaches its final value without oscillation
Underdamped	$\alpha^2 < \omega_o^2$	The voltage or current oscillates about its final value
Critically damped	$\alpha^2 = \omega_o^2$	The voltage or current is on the verge of oscillating about its final value

- In determining the **natural response** of a second-order circuit, we first determine whether it is over-, under-, or critically damped, and then we solve the appropriate equations as follows:

DAMPING	NATURAL-RESPONSE EQUATIONS	COEFFICIENT EQUATIONS <del>OVERDAMPED</del>
Overdamped	$x(t) = A_1 e^{s_1 t} + A_2 e^{s_2 t}$	$x(0) = A_1 + A_2$ ; $dx/dt(0) = A_1 s_1 + A_2 s_2$
Underdamped	$x(t) = (B_1 \cos \omega_d t + B_2 \sin \omega_d t) e^{-\alpha t}$	$x(0) = B_1$ ; $dx/dt(0) = -\alpha B_1 + \omega_d B_2$ , where $\omega_d = \sqrt{\omega_o^2 - \alpha^2}$
Critically damped	$x(t) = (D_1 t + D_2) e^{-\alpha t}$	$x(0) = D_2$ , $dx/dt(0) = D_1 - \alpha D_2$

- In determining the **step response** of a second-order circuit, we apply the appropriate equations depending on the damping, as follows:

DAMPING	<del>NATURAL</del> -RESPONSE EQUATIONS <sup>1</sup>	COEFFICIENT EQUATIONS <del>OVERDAMPED</del>
Overdamped	$x(t) = X_f + A'_1 e^{s_1 t} + A'_2 e^{s_2 t}$	$x(0) = X_f + A'_1 + A'_2$ ; $dx/dt(0) = A'_1 s_1 + A'_2 s_2$
Underdamped	$x(t) = X_f + (B'_1 \cos \omega_d t + B'_2 \sin \omega_d t) e^{-\alpha t}$	$x(0) = X_f + B'_1$ ; $dx/dt(0) = -\alpha B'_1 + \omega_d B'_2$
Critically damped	$x(t) = X_f + D'_1 t e^{-\alpha t} + D'_2 e^{-\alpha t}$	$x(0) = X_f + D'_2$ ; $dx/dt(0) = D'_1 - \alpha D'_2$

<sup>1</sup>where  $X_f$  is the final value of  $x(t)$ .