

Chapter 30

Inductance

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Goals for Chapter 30

- To learn how current in one coil can induce an emf in another unconnected coil
- To relate the induced emf to the rate of change of the current
- To calculate the energy in a magnetic field
- To analyze circuits containing resistors and inductors
- To describe electrical oscillations in circuits and why the oscillations decay

Introduction

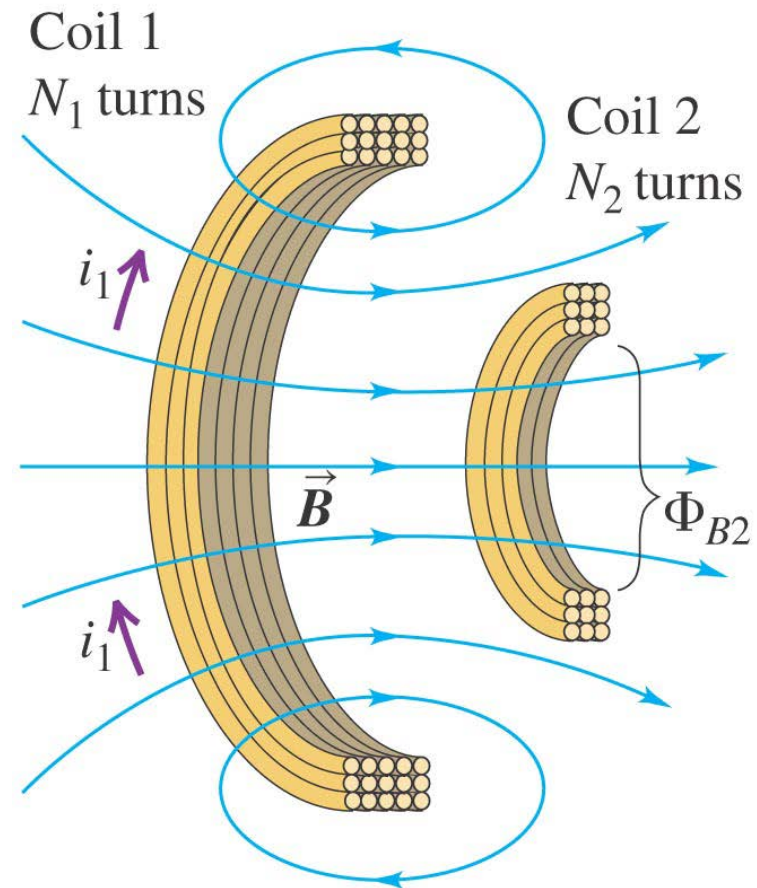
- How does a coil induce a current in a neighboring coil.
- A sensor triggers the traffic light to change when a car arrives at an intersection. How does it do this?
- Why does a coil of metal behave very differently from a straight wire of the same metal?
- We'll learn how circuits can be coupled without being connected together.



Mutual inductance

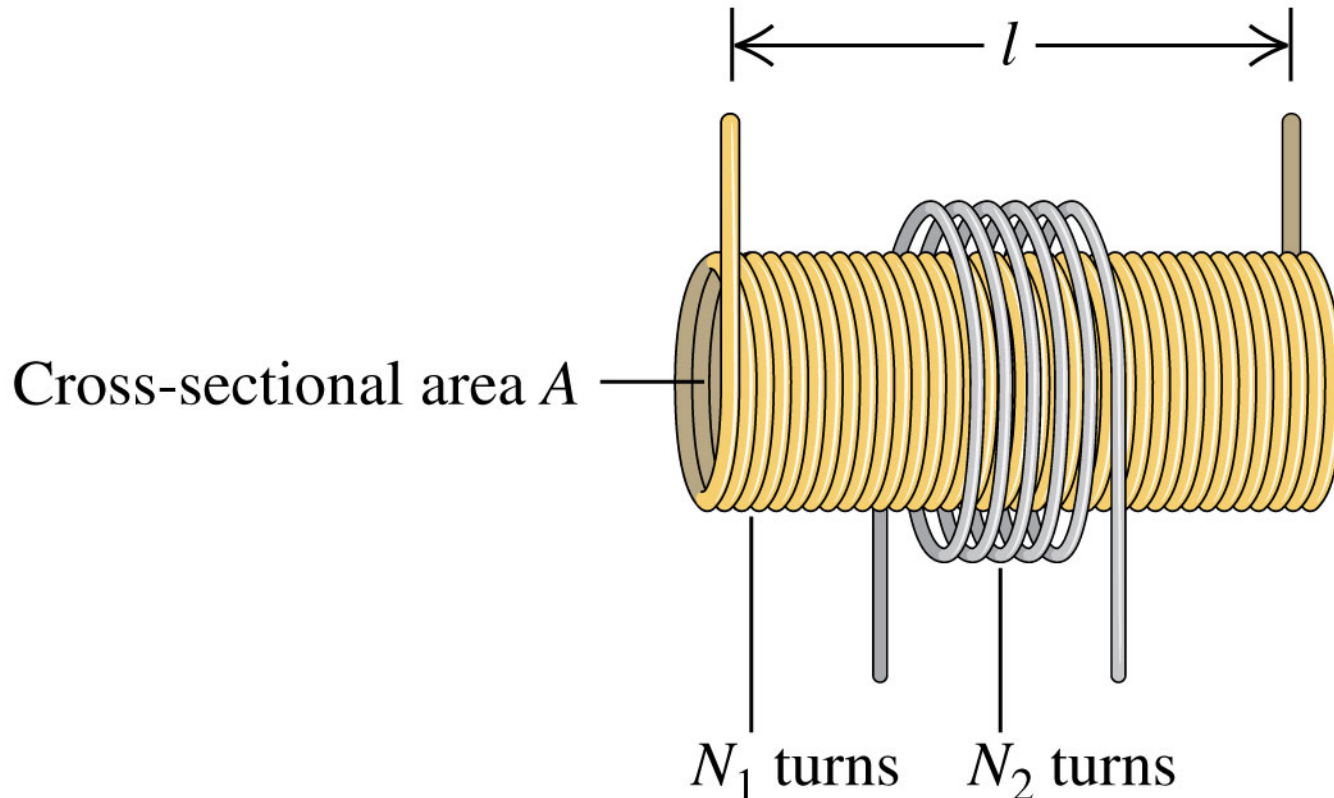
- *Mutual inductance:* A changing current in one coil induces a current in a neighboring coil. See Figure 30.1 at the right.
- Follow the discussion of mutual inductance in the text.

Mutual inductance: If the current in coil 1 is changing, the changing flux through coil 2 induces an emf in coil 2.



Mutual inductance examples

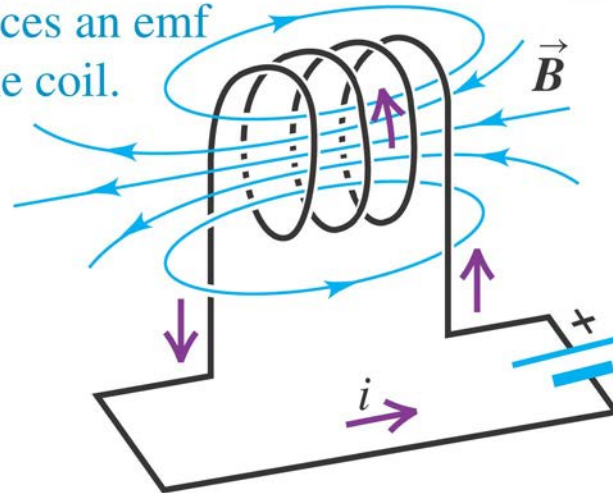
- Follow Example 30.1, which shows how to calculate mutual inductance. See Figure 30.3 below.
- Follow Example 30.2, which looks at the induced emf.



Self-inductance

- *Self-inductance*: A varying current in a circuit induces an emf in that same circuit. See Figure 30.4 below.
- Follow the text discussion of self-inductance and inductors.

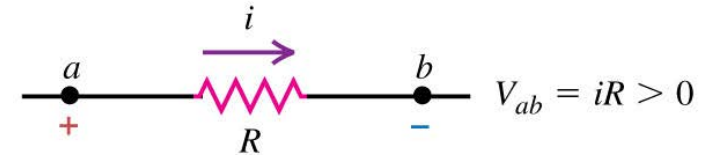
Self-inductance: If the current i in the coil is changing, the changing flux through the coil induces an emf in the coil.



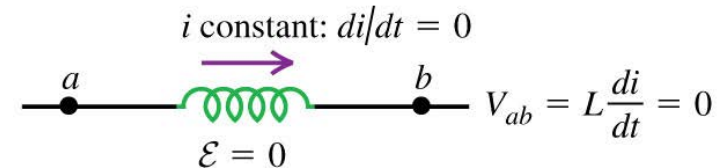
Potential across an inductor

- The potential across an inductor depends on the rate of change of the current through it.
- Figure 30.6 at the right compares the behavior of the potential across a resistor and an inductor.
- The self-induced emf does *not* oppose current, but opposes a *change* in the current.

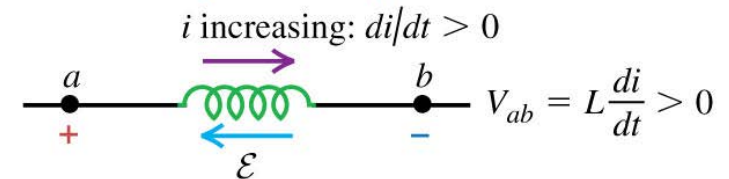
(a) Resistor with current i flowing from a to b : potential drops from a to b .



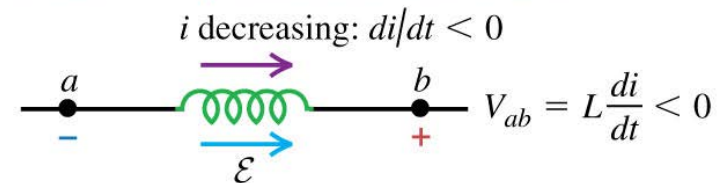
(b) Inductor with *constant* current i flowing from a to b : no potential difference.



(c) Inductor with *increasing* current i flowing from a to b : potential drops from a to b .

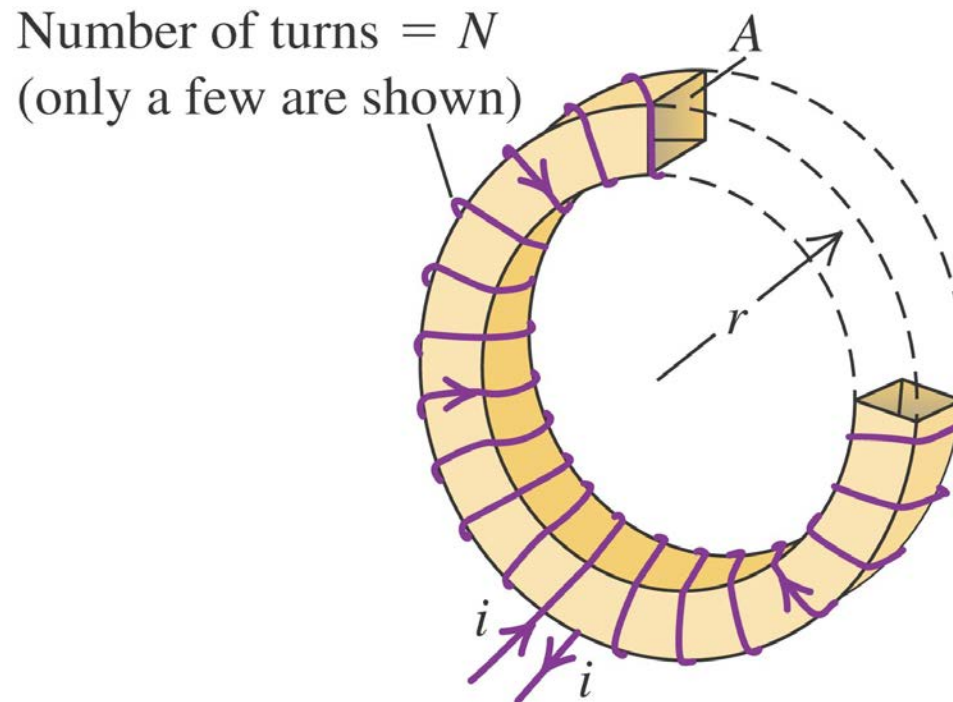


(d) Inductor with *decreasing* current i flowing from a to b : potential increases from a to b .



Calculating self-inductance and self-induced emf

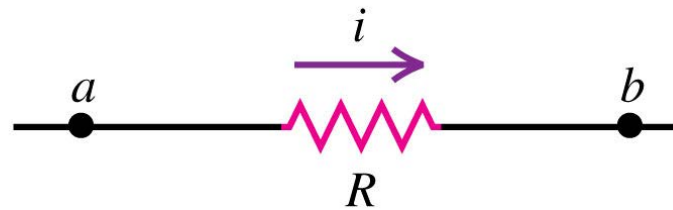
- Follow Example 30.3 using Figure 30.8 below.
- Follow Example 30.4.



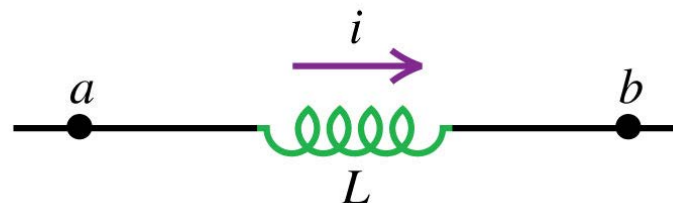
Magnetic field energy

- The energy stored in an inductor is $U = 1/2 LI^2$. See Figure 30.9 below.
- The energy density in a magnetic field is $u = B^2/2\mu_0$ (in vacuum) and $u = B^2/2\mu$ (in a material).
- Follow Example 30.5.

Resistor with current i : energy is *dissipated*.



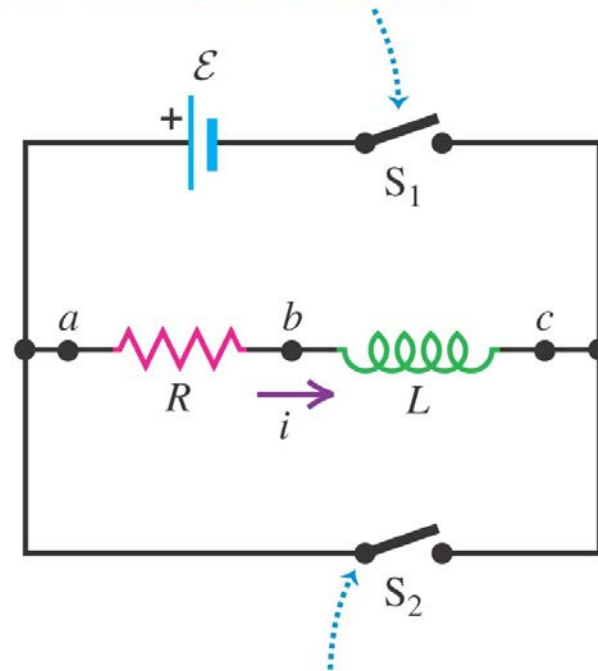
Inductor with current i : energy is *stored*.



The R - L circuit

- An R - L circuit contains a resistor and inductor and possibly an emf source.
- Figure 30.11 at the right shows a typical R - L circuit.
- Follow Problem-Solving Strategy 30.1.

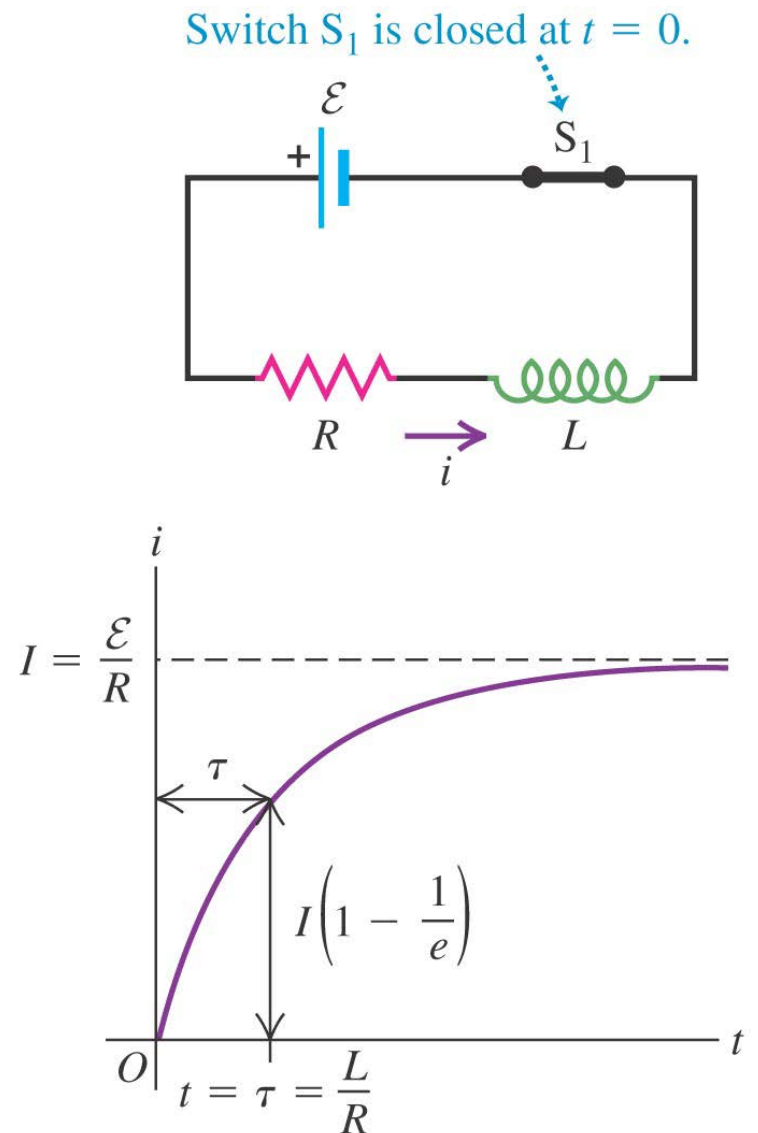
Closing switch S_1 connects the R - L combination in series with a source of emf \mathcal{E} .



Closing switch S_2 while opening switch S_1 disconnects the combination from the source.

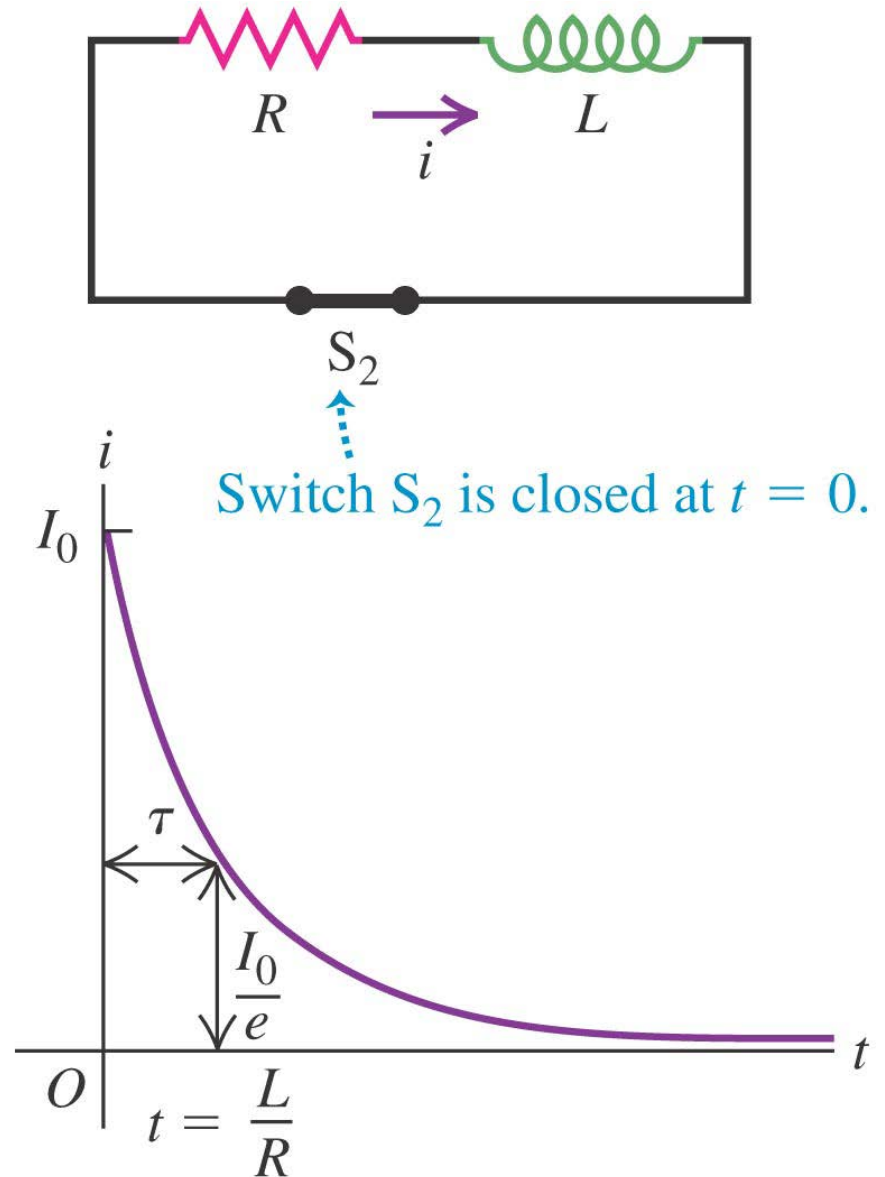
Current growth in an R - L circuit

- Follow the text analysis of current growth in an R - L circuit.
- The *time constant* for an R - L circuit is $\tau = L/R$.
- Figure 30.12 at the right shows a graph of the current as a function of time in an R - L circuit containing an emf source.
- Follow Example 30.6.



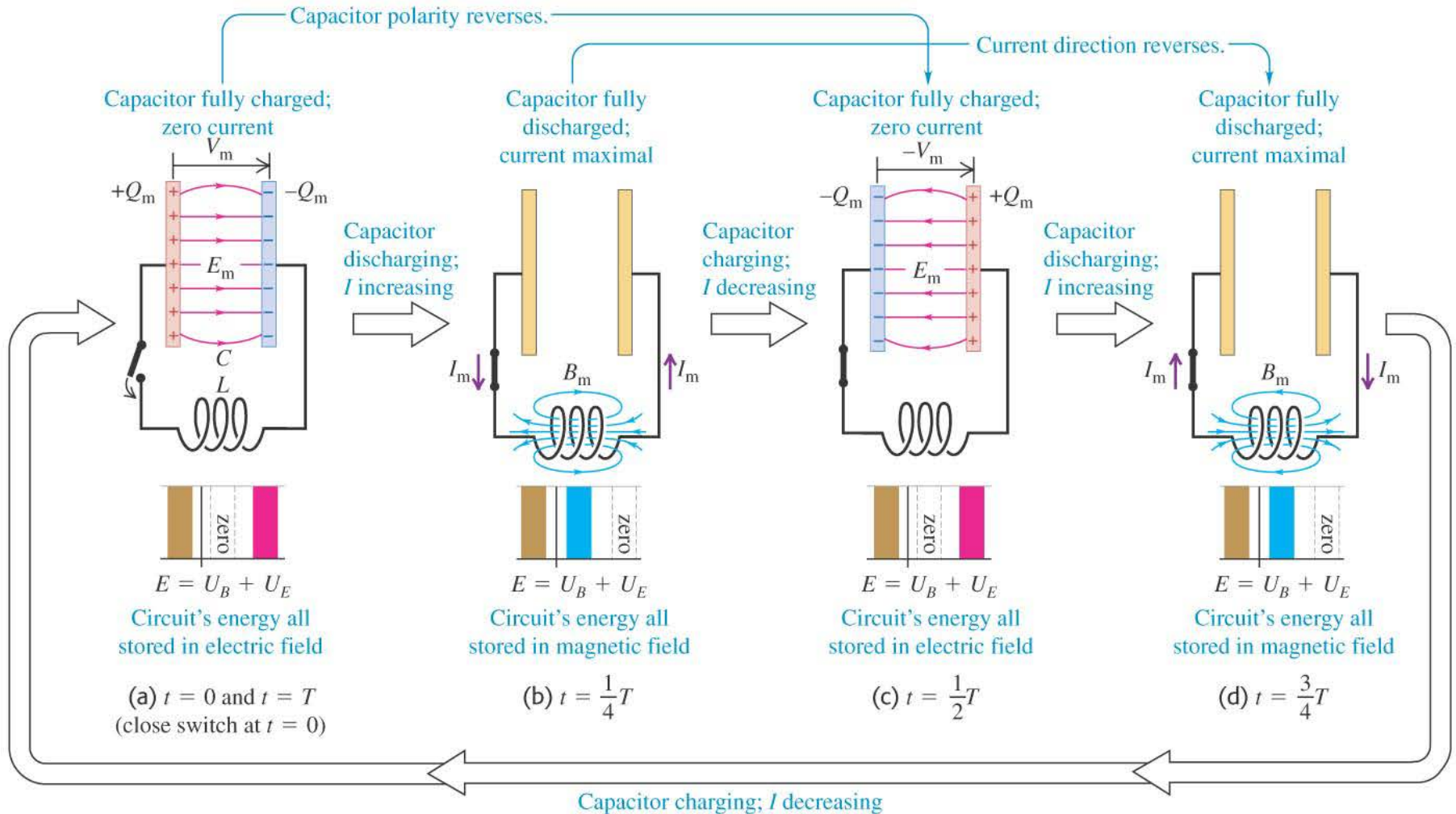
Current decay in an R - L circuit

- Read the text discussion of current decay in an R - L circuit.
- Figure 30.13 at the right shows a graph of the current versus time.
- Follow Example 30.7.



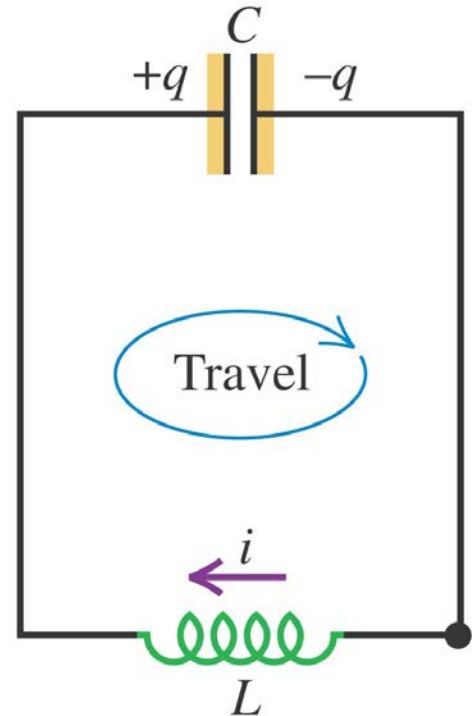
The L - C circuit

- An L - C circuit contains an inductor and a capacitor and is an *oscillating circuit*. See Figure 30.14 below.



Electrical oscillations in an L - C circuit

- Follow the text analysis of electrical oscillations and energy in an L - C circuit using Figure 30.15 at the right.



Electrical and mechanical oscillations

- Table 30.1 summarizes the analogies between SHM and L - C circuit oscillations.
- Follow Example 30.8.
- Follow Example 30.9.

Table 30.1 Oscillation of a Mass-Spring System Compared with Electrical Oscillation in an L - C Circuit

Mass-Spring System

$$\text{Kinetic energy} = \frac{1}{2}mv_x^2$$

$$\text{Potential energy} = \frac{1}{2}kx^2$$

$$\frac{1}{2}mv_x^2 + \frac{1}{2}kx^2 = \frac{1}{2}kA^2$$

$$v_x = \pm \sqrt{k/m} \sqrt{A^2 - x^2}$$

$$v_x = dx/dt$$

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$$

$$x = A \cos(\omega t + \phi)$$

Inductor-Capacitor Circuit

$$\text{Magnetic energy} = \frac{1}{2}Li^2$$

$$\text{Electric energy} = q^2/2C$$

$$\frac{1}{2}Li^2 + q^2/2C = Q^2/2C$$

$$i = \pm \sqrt{1/LC} \sqrt{Q^2 - q^2}$$

$$i = dq/dt$$

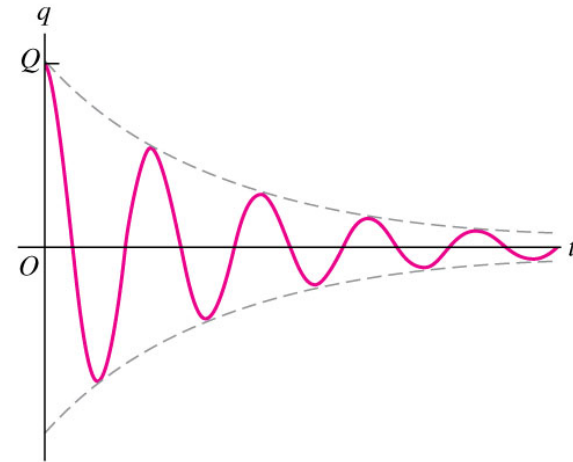
$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{1}{LC}}$$

$$q = Q \cos(\omega t + \phi)$$

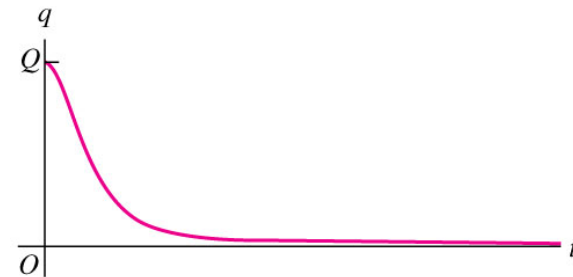
The L - R - C series circuit

- Follow the text analysis of an L - R - C circuit.
- An L - R - C circuit exhibits *damped harmonic motion* if the resistance is not too large. (See graphs in Figure 30.16 at the right.)
- Follow Example 30.10.

(a) Underdamped circuit (small resistance R)



(b) Critically damped circuit (larger resistance R)



(c) Overdamped circuit (very large resistance R)

