Problem 13

Transform Eqs. (2) for the parallel circuit into a single second order equation.

Solution

Eqs. (2) are on page 360 in the textbook.

$$\frac{dI}{dt} = \frac{V}{L}$$

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = -\frac{I}{C} - \frac{V}{RC}$$
(2)

Solve this first equation for V

$$V = L \frac{dI}{dt}$$

and then plug it into the second equation.

$$\begin{split} \frac{d}{dt} \left(L \frac{dI}{dt} \right) &= -\frac{I}{C} - \frac{1}{RC} \left(L \frac{dI}{dt} \right) \\ L \frac{d^2I}{dt^2} &= -\frac{I}{C} - \frac{L}{RC} \frac{dI}{dt} \end{split}$$

Divide both sides by L.

$$\frac{d^2I}{dt^2} = -\frac{I}{LC} - \frac{1}{RC}\frac{dI}{dt}$$

Bring all terms to the left side.

$$\frac{d^2I}{dt^2} + \frac{1}{RC}\frac{dI}{dt} + \frac{1}{LC}I = 0$$