

## CHAPTER II

## THE OPERATIONAL CALCULUS FOR BASIC IMPULSE CIRCUITS

## General

In impulse work the main concern is the sudden application of a direct voltage wave to an equivalent impulse circuit made up of the usual circuit parameters R, L and C. These parameters are invariant with time, and the mathematical equations<sup>9,10</sup> describing the behavior of these linear time invariant systems are linear integro-differential equations with constant coefficients given as

$$A \frac{d^2 u}{dt^2} + B \frac{du}{dt} + C = 0 \quad \dots \quad 2-1$$

In solving this linear equation, the Heaviside operational method is much prefer as a simplicity of use.

Heaviside Operational Calculus<sup>11,12</sup>

In handling circuit problems described above, the Heaviside operational calculus is an extremely useful method. Since it is a shorthand method that is well suited to engineers in dealing with impulse phenomena.

## Heaviside's Expansion Theorem

The Heaviside expansion theorem is very important, and it is reality easy to use; given as

$$\frac{Y(p)}{Z(p)} = \frac{Y(0)}{Z(0)} + \sum_{p=p_1, p_2} \frac{Y(p) e^{pt}}{pZ'(p)} \quad \dots \quad 2-2$$

Where,  $Y(p)$  and  $Z(p)$  are two polynomials in  $p$ .

$$Z'(p) = \frac{dZ(p)}{dp}$$

The symbol  $p$  replaces the Heaviside operator  $\frac{d}{dt}$ , and it is also the roots of the characteristic equation

$$Z(p) = 0 \quad \dots 2-3$$

and that, the operational form of the circuit parameters are given below :

inductance  $L$  is  $pL$

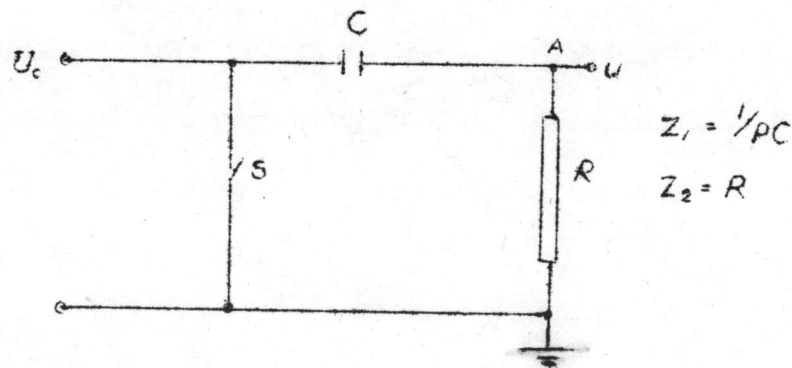
capacitance  $C$  is  $\frac{1}{pC}$  ... 2-4

resistance  $R$  is  $R$

### Basic Impulse Circuit

( R - C Circuit )

The basic impulse circuit is shown in figure 2-1. It is the fundamental circuit from which all impulse generator circuits are derived. In this circuit a capacitor  $C$  is charged from a direct voltage  $U_0$ , and then discharge through a resistance  $R$  across which the impulse voltage  $u$  is developed. Discharging is performed by closing the switch  $S$ .



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Fig. 2-1 Basic Impulse Circuit

Treating the two elements of the basic circuit as a potential divider, the impulse voltage  $u$  across the resistance is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 u &= -\frac{Z_2}{Z_1+Z_2} U_0 \\
 &= -\frac{pCR}{pCR+1} U_0 \quad \dots \quad 2-5 \\
 &= -\frac{Y(p)}{Z(p)} U_0 \\
 &= -\left[ \frac{Y(0)}{Z(0)} + \sum \frac{Y(p) e^{pt}}{pZ'(p)} \right] U_0
 \end{aligned}$$

Here,

$$\begin{aligned}
 Y(p) &= pCR ; \text{ so that } Y(0) = 0 \\
 Z(p) &= pCR + 1, \text{ and } Z(0) = 1 \quad \dots \quad 2-6 \\
 Z'(p) &= CR
 \end{aligned}$$

The roots of  $Z(p) = 0$

$$p = p_1 = -\frac{1}{CR} \quad \dots \quad 2-7$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
 u &= -\left[ 0 + \frac{p_1 CR e^{p_1 t}}{p_1 CR} \right] U_0 \\
 &= -U_0 e^{-t/CR} \quad \dots \quad 2-8
 \end{aligned}$$

Note that, if positive potential  $U_0$  is applied, the capacitor is positively charged, one plate being at  $+U_0$  potential, the other being at zero potential due to ground connection the closing of the switch is equivalent to applying instantaneously a unit voltage of value  $-U_0$ ; that is, the point A, which previously was at zero potential, is now suddenly raised to a potential  $-U_0$ . The voltage wave across the resistance then decays exponentially to zero at a rate dependent on the time constant,  $CR$  of the circuit. And the wave is given in figure 2-2.

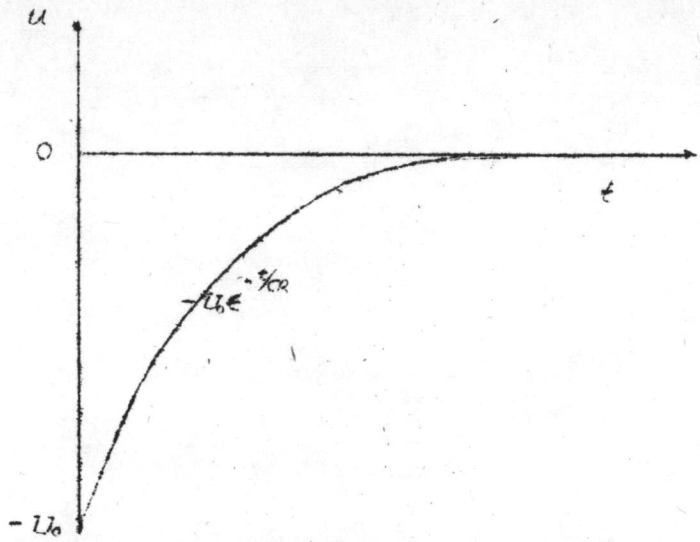


Fig. 2-2 Basic Impulse Wave form

$$u = -U_0 e^{-t/CR}$$

Again, neglecting the negative sign, the time taken for the wave to fall to half value  $U_0/2$  is

$$\frac{u}{U_0} = 0.5 = e^{-t/CR} \quad \dots \quad 2-9$$

or  $e^{t/CR} = 2$

so that  $t/CR = \ln 2 = 0.693$

and  $t = 0.693 CR \mu S \quad \dots \quad 2-10$

if R is in ohms and C is in  $\mu F$

Basic Impulse Circuit with Included

Inductance ( RLC circuit )

The series RLC circuit is shown in figure 2-3. It is the same of the RC circuit, but with inductance L included. Neglecting the negative sign, which only means that if charging is positive, the resulting impulse is negative, and vice versa.

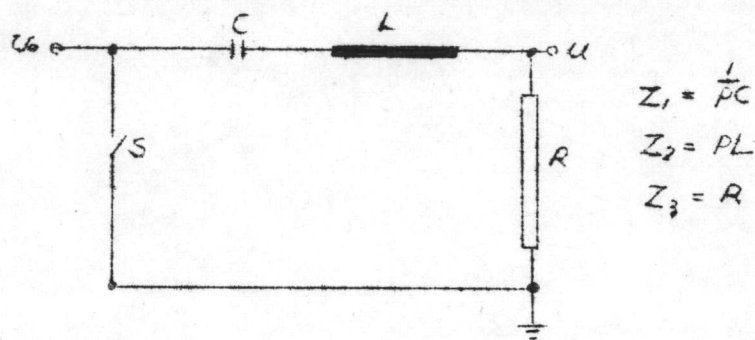


Fig. 2-3<sup>13</sup> RLC circuit

Again, by potential divider action the voltage  $u$  across the resistance  $R$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 u &= \frac{Z_3}{Z_1 + Z_2 + Z_3} U_0 \\
 &= \frac{R}{R + pL + \frac{1}{pC}} U_0 \\
 &= \frac{\frac{R}{L}}{p^2 + \frac{pR}{L} + \frac{1}{LC}} U_0
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{2-11}$$

Here

$$\begin{aligned}
 Y(p) &= \left(\frac{R}{L}\right)p, \quad Y(0) = 0 \\
 Z(p) &= p^2 + p\left(\frac{R}{L}\right) + \frac{1}{LC}
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{2-12}$$

$$Z'(p) = 2p + \frac{R}{L}$$

For

$$Z(p) = p^2 + p\left(\frac{R}{L}\right) + \frac{1}{LC} = 0$$

the roots of  $p$  are

$$p = -\frac{R}{2L} \pm \sqrt{\frac{R^2}{4L^2} - \frac{1}{LC}}$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_1 &= -(a-b) \\
 p_2 &= -(a+b)
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{2-13}$$

Where

$$a = + \left( \frac{R}{2L} \right)$$

$$b = \sqrt{\frac{R^2}{4L^2} - \frac{1}{LC}}$$

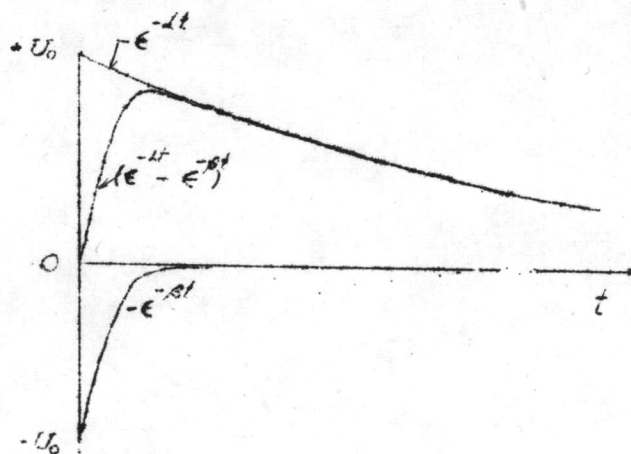
Therefore, from the expansion theorem

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{Y(p)}{Z(p)} &= 0 + \frac{R}{L} \left[ \frac{p_1 e^{p_1 t}}{p_1 (2p_1 + \frac{R}{L})} + \frac{p_2 e^{p_2 t}}{p_2 (2p_2 + \frac{R}{L})} \right] \\ &= \frac{R}{L} \left[ \frac{e^{-(a-b)t}}{-2(a-b) + \frac{R}{L}} + \frac{e^{-(a+b)t}}{-2(a+b) + \frac{R}{L}} \right] \\ &= \frac{R}{L} \left[ \frac{1}{2b} (e^{-(a-b)t} - e^{-(a+b)t}) \right] \end{aligned}$$

from which

$$u = U_0 \frac{a}{b} (e^{-(a-b)t} - e^{-(a+b)t}) \quad \dots \quad 2-14$$

This is a typical double exponential wave of  $U_0 (e^{-\alpha t} - e^{-\beta t})$  form, and if values for R, L and C are inserted the shape of wave can be found by plotting see figure 2-4.



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Fig. 2-4 Double Exponential Wave Shape

$$u = U_0 (e^{-\alpha t} - e^{-\beta t})$$

The time to peak value can also be obtained by differentiating the wave equation and equating to zero ; i.e.,

$$\frac{du}{dt} = 0 = \beta e^{-\beta t} - \alpha e^{-\alpha t} \quad \dots 2-15$$

or

$$\beta e^{-\beta t} = \alpha e^{-\alpha t}$$

from which

$$\frac{e^{-\alpha t}}{e^{-\beta t}} = \frac{\beta}{\alpha}$$

$$e^{(\beta - \alpha)t} = \frac{\beta}{\alpha}$$

$$(\beta - \alpha)t = \ln \frac{\beta}{\alpha}$$

$$t = \frac{\ln \frac{\beta}{\alpha}}{(\beta - \alpha)} \mu S \quad \dots 2-16$$



But for the sake of convenient, the time to peak value as well as the time to half-value of the wave-tail are advisely obtained by the wave shape discussed in the previous chapter.

#### Procedure in the case of Double Exponential Wave-forms

When desiring to know the transient response of a circuit to an impulse, the use of the single exponential wave provides adequate information. If it is imperative that the double exponential wave be used, then the two parts can be treated as separate single exponential waves, and the difference subsequently taken.

For the international  $1/50 \mu\text{sec}$  wave, the accompanying table 1\* provides the impulse wave constants for this wave shape

$$u = U_0 (e^{-\alpha t} - e^{-\beta t}) \quad \dots 2-17$$

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\* A comprehensive list of waveforms is given in Appendix.1.

The value of  $U_0$  in the table is such that the amplitude of the wave is unity.

Wave shape $t_1 / t_2$	$U_0$	$\alpha \times 10^6$	$\beta \times 10^6$	Time to peak value $\mu\text{sec}$
1 / 50	1.036	0.0146	2.56	2.03

It will be of assistance to show a convenient way of plotting the wave  
 $u = 1.036 (e^{-0.0146t} - e^{-2.56t})$ .<sup>15</sup> First draw up a table in the following  
 manner, obtaining the values of the exponential terms from tables or from the  
 graphs given in Appendix 2.



## 2. Table of Values for plotting equation

$$u = 1.036 ( e^{-0.0146t} - e^{-2.56t} )$$

t	0.0146t	2.56t	$e^{-0.0146t}$	$e^{-2.56t}$	$(e^{-0.0146t} - e^{-2.56t})$	u
0	0	0	1	1	0	0
0.1	0.00146	0.256	0.9985	0.7741	0.2244	0.233
0.2	0.00292	0.512	0.9971	0.5993	0.3778	0.412
0.3	0.00438	0.768	0.9956	0.4639	0.5317	0.550
0.4	0.00584	1.024	0.9942	0.3592	0.6350	0.657
0.5	0.00730	1.280	0.9927	0.2780	0.7147	0.740
0.6	0.00876	1.536	0.9912	0.2152	0.7760	0.803
0.7	0.01022	1.792	0.9898	0.1667	0.8231	0.853
0.8	0.01168	2.048	0.9884	0.1290	0.8594	0.890
0.9	0.01314	2.304	0.9870	0.0999	0.8871	0.919
1.0	0.0146	2.560	0.9855	0.0773	0.9082	0.941
1.2	0.01752	3.072	0.9826	0.0455	0.9371	0.971
1.4	0.02044	3.584	0.9797	0.0279	0.9518	0.987
1.5	0.02190	3.840	0.9783	0.0215	0.9568	0.992
2.0	0.02920	5.120	0.9712	0.0060	0.9652	1.000
2.5	0.03650	6.400	0.9642	0.0017	0.9625	0.998
3.0	0.0438	7.680	0.9571	0.0005	0.9566	0.991

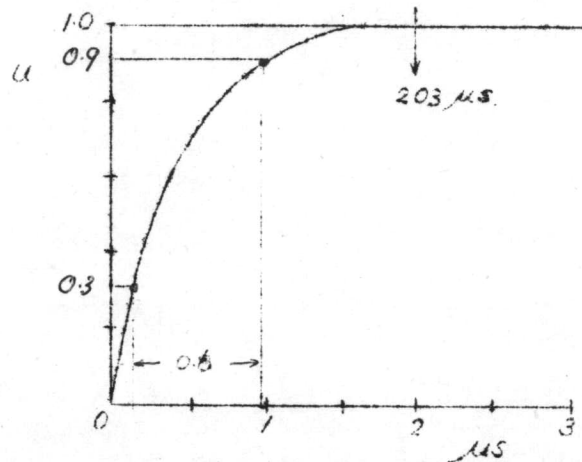


Fig. 2-5 Plot of the equation  $u = 1.036 ( e^{-0.0146t} - e^{-2.56t} )$  representing a standard unity-amplitude  $1/50 \mu\text{sec}$  wave

#### Simplified circuit of Impulse generator and Load.

Impulse generators are always operated in conjunction with other apparatus or loads, which results in a modification of the impulse wave shape. In case of capacitance load, its capacitive value mainly affects the wave shape by lengthening the front of the impulse.

Usually, a series resistance is introduced into the circuit, between the actual output terminal of the generator and the test piece, for the purpose of removing unwanted oscillations from the peak of the generator wave.

The resistance potential divider is necessary to put in parallel across the whole generator resistors with ones having lower values for the sake of shortening of wave tail.

The equivalent circuit of the complete impulse set up assumes the form shown in figure 2-6.

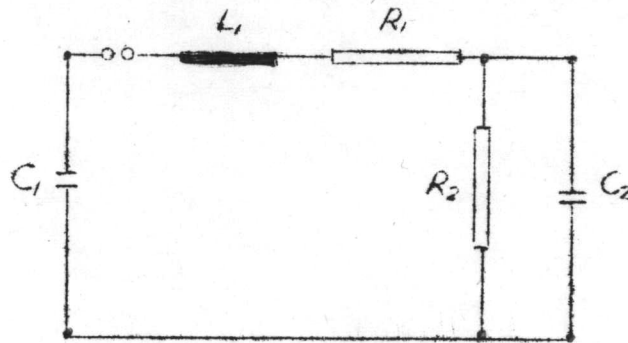


Fig. 2-6 Simplified circuit of impulse generator and load  
for calculation purpose

The voltage across the load  $C_2$  is that across the parallel  $R_2 C_2$  branch, which combined give an impedance

$$Z_2 = \frac{R_2}{1 + pC_2 R_2} \quad \dots \quad 2-18$$

The total circuit impedance is then.

$$\begin{aligned} Z &= \frac{1}{pC_1} + pL_1 + R_1 + \frac{R_2}{1 + pC_2 R_2} \\ &= \frac{p^3 C_1 C_2 R_2 L_1 + p^2 \{C_1 L_1 + C_1 C_2 R_1 R_2\} + p \{C_1 R_1 + C_1 R_2 + C_2 R_2\} + 1}{pC_1 \{1 + pC_2 R_2\}} \quad \dots \quad 2-19 \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$u = \frac{Z_2}{Z} U_0$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{pC_1 R_2 U_0}{p^3 C_1 C_2 R_2 L_1 + p^2 \{C_1 L_1 + C_1 C_2 R_1 R_2\} + p \{C_1 R_1 + C_1 R_2 + C_2 R_2\} + 1} \quad \dots \quad 2-20 \end{aligned}$$

For evaluating the critical resistance  $R_1$  necessary to suppress any oscillation in the circuit,  $R_2$  can be neglected; i.e.  $R_2 \rightarrow \infty$ , then

$$u = \frac{pC_1 U_0}{p^3 C_1 C_2 L_1 + p^2 C_1 C_2 R_1 + p(C_1 + C_2)}$$

$$u = \frac{C_1 U_0}{p^2 C_1 C_2 L_1 + p C_1 C_2 R_1 + (C_1 + C_2)} \quad \dots 2-21$$

Oscillation will just not occur if

$$\sqrt{(C_1 C_2 R_1)^2 - 4C_1 C_2 L_1 (C_1 + C_2)} = 0$$

i.e. if

$$R_1 = 2\sqrt{\frac{L_1 (C_1 + C_2)}{C_1 C_2}}$$



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Non-inductive Circuit

If  $L_1$  is made zero, the circuit is said to be non-inductive, see figure 2-7

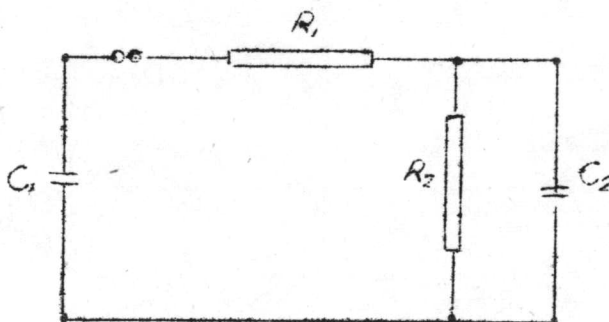


Fig. 2-7 Non-inductive Circuit

Then

$$u = \frac{pC_1 R_2 U_0}{p^2 C_1 C_2 R_1 R_2 + p[C_1 R_1 + C_1 R_2 + C_2 R_2] + 1} \quad \dots 2-23$$

Here,

$$Y(p) = pC_1 R_2, \quad Y(0) = 0$$

$$Z(p) = p^2 C_1 C_2 R_1 R_2 + p \left[ C_1 R_1 + C_1 R_2 + C_2 R_2 \right] + 1$$

$$Z'(p) = 2p C_1 C_2 R_1 R_2 + \left[ C_1 R_1 + C_1 R_2 + C_2 R_2 \right]$$

Roots of  $Z(p) = 0$  are

$$p_{1, 2} = \frac{-\left[ C_1 R_1 + C_1 R_2 + C_2 R_2 \right] \pm \sqrt{\left[ C_1 R_1 + C_1 R_2 + C_2 R_2 \right]^2 - 4 C_1 C_2 R_1 R_2}}{2 C_1 C_2 R_1 R_2} \quad \dots 2-24$$

and the solution is of the double exponential form

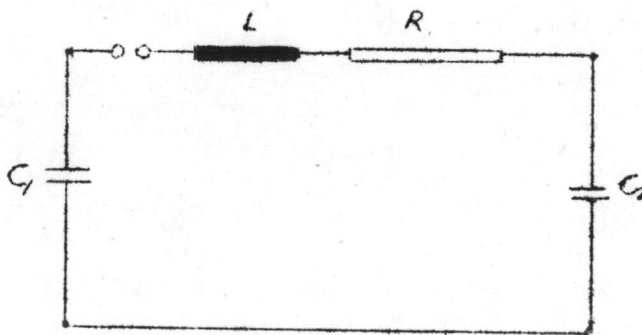
$$u = \frac{C_1 R_2}{\sqrt{\left[ C_1 R_1 + C_1 R_2 + C_2 R_2 \right]^2 - 4 C_1 C_2 R_1 R_2}} U_0 \left( e^{-p_1 t} - e^{-p_2 t} \right)$$

$$= \frac{U_0}{C_2 R_1 (p_2 - p_1)} \left( e^{-p_1 t} - e^{-p_2 t} \right) \quad \dots 2-25$$

#### Simplified Non-oscillatory Inductive Circuit

If the tail of the wave is long compared with its front, as 1/50 wave, then little error results from ignoring the wave tail resistance when calculating the wave front duration.

The circuit then simplified to that shown in figure 2-8.



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Fig. 2-8 Simplified circuit for calculation of wave front

By potential divider action

$$u = \frac{1}{pC_2} \frac{pC_1C_2}{p^2C_1C_2L + pC_1C_2R + (C_1+C_2)} U_0 \quad \dots \quad 2-26$$

$$= \frac{1}{C_2L} \frac{1}{p^2 + p\frac{R}{L} + \frac{(C_1+C_2)}{C_1C_2t}} U_0$$

$$= \frac{1}{C_2L} \frac{1}{p^2 + p\frac{R}{L} + \frac{1}{LC}} U_0 \quad \dots \quad 2-27$$

where

$$C = \frac{C_1C_2}{C_1+C_2}$$

put

$$2\mathcal{L} = \frac{R}{L} \quad \dots \quad 2-28$$

$$W_0^2 = \frac{1}{LC}$$

so that

$$u = \frac{1}{C_2L} \frac{1}{p^2 + 2\mathcal{L}p + W_0^2} U_0 \quad \dots \quad 2-29$$

then the solution\* is

$$u = \frac{U_0}{C_2L} \left\{ LC \left[ 1 - e^{-\mathcal{L}t} (1 + \mathcal{L}t) \right] \right\}$$

$$= \frac{CU_0}{C_2} \left[ 1 - e^{-\frac{R}{2L}t} \left( 1 + \frac{R}{2L}t \right) \right] \quad \dots \quad 2-30$$

If the circuit is critically damped, then  $R = \sqrt{4L/C}$ , so that  $u$  under this condition becomes

$$u = \frac{CU_0}{C_2} \left\{ 1 - e^{-\frac{2}{RC}t} \left( 1 + \frac{2}{RC}t \right) \right\} \quad \dots \quad 2-31$$

If  $\mathcal{L}$  is reduced to zero, then

\* W.G.Hawley, Impulse Voltage Testing, Chapman & Hall, Ltd., London, 1959, P.45.

$$\begin{aligned}
 u &= \frac{C_1}{pC_1C_2R + (C_1 + C_2)} U_0 \\
 &= \frac{U_0}{C_2R} \frac{1}{\left[ p + \frac{C_1 + C_2}{C_1C_2R} \right]} \\
 &= \frac{U_0}{C_2R} \frac{1}{p + \frac{1}{RC}} \quad \dots \quad 2-32
 \end{aligned}$$

and the solution is

$$u = \frac{CU_0}{C_2} (1 - e^{-t/RC}) \quad \dots \quad 2-33$$

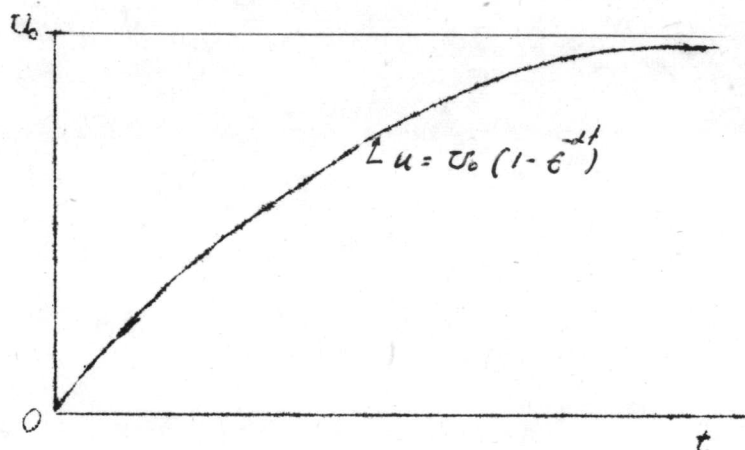
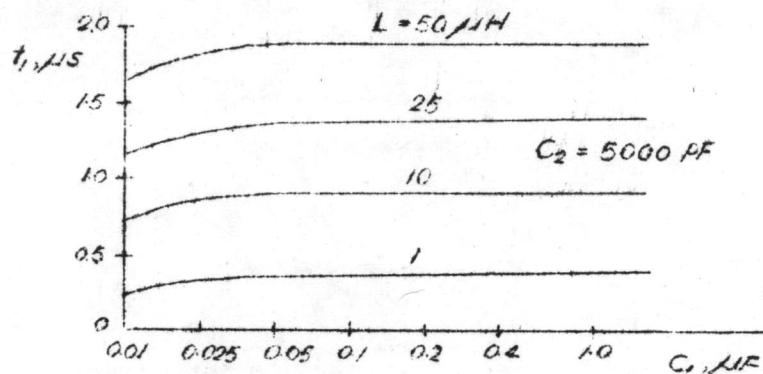


Fig. 2-9 Form of equation  $u = U_0 (1 - e^{-t/RC})$

#### Effect of Inductance on Wave-front

The circuit inductance will lengthen the wave front of the impulse voltage wave, such that the inductive value must be kept as low as possible.

Figure 2-10 shows that when the load  $C_2$  is  $0.005 \mu\text{F}$ , the effect of the inductance on the wave front is a function of the generator capacitance  $C_1$ , and its value must not exceed  $10 \mu\text{H}$  if a  $1 \mu\text{S}$  wave front is desired.



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 Fig. 2-10 Effect of inductance on wave-front, for a load of 5000 pF, as a function of generator capacitances.  
 Graphical Method 17

### Impulse Generator Circuits with Two Energy Stores

When the impulse generators are used in conjunction with the test objects, they form the simplified impulse generator circuits with two energy stores. The various circuits are given in figure 2-11.

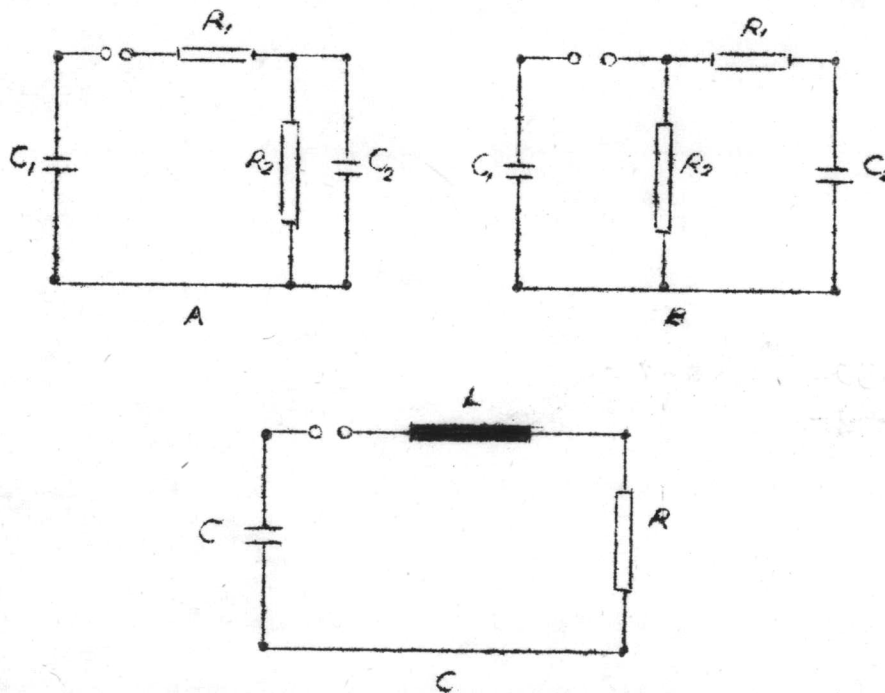


Fig. 2-11 Impulse generator circuits having two energy stores



## Output Impulse Voltage

As seen in the previous calculations that, the two roots  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  of the characteristic equations depend upon the constant circuit parameters  $R$ ,  $L$  and  $C$ . Thus all impulse generator circuits which have only two energy stores are characterized by the characteristic equation.

$$p^2 + ap + b = 0 \quad \dots \quad 2-34$$

Where  $a$  and  $b$  are constant coefficients. If the roots  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  are real negative, that is

$$p_1 = -p_1$$

and

$$p_2 = -p_2$$

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Then the impulse voltage has the expected shape, as in general form.

$$u = \frac{U_0}{K(p_2 - p_1)} (e^{-p_1 t} - e^{-p_2 t}) \quad \dots \quad 2-36$$

The constant coefficient  $K$  for any circuits A, B or C is given in table 3 below

Circuits	A	B	C
K	$R_1 C_2$	$R_1 C_2$	$L / R$

And the impulse voltage for each circuit is obtained by substituting and  $K$  into equation 2-36, and the wave shapes are plotted to scale.

Let the time function of the impulse voltage of equation 2-36 be written as

$$f(t, p_1, p_2) = e^{-p_1 t} - e^{-p_2 t} \quad \dots \quad 2-37$$

But the impulse voltage wave shape are standardized by the times  $t_1$ ,  $t_2$  and the roots  $-p_1$ ,  $-p_2$ . And since the relation between  $t$  and  $p$  is irrational, then it is most satisfactory to find the relationship in a graphic way.

Supposition

$$|p_2| > |p_1| \quad (p_2 \neq p_1)$$

$$p_1 t = \sqrt{x}$$

$$p_2 t = x^{\lambda}$$

$$x = \frac{p_2}{p_1}$$



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Then

$$f(t, p_1, p_2) = f(\sqrt{x}, x^{\lambda}) \quad (1 < \lambda < \infty)$$

$$= [e^{-\sqrt{x}} - e^{-x^{\lambda}}] \quad \dots 2-39$$

In practice, the value of  $\lambda$  in y-axis is approximately equal to  $10^4$ . The equation 2-39 represents a family of curves with the shape of impulse voltage of front time  $\theta_1$  and the time to half value  $\theta_2$ . Thus it is possible to measure  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$  by means of graphic construction, and the true values of  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$  are given as

$$p_1 t_1 = \theta_1$$

$$p_1 t_2 = \theta_2 \quad \dots 2-40$$

The ratio

$$\frac{t_1}{t_2} = \frac{\theta_1}{\theta_2} \quad \dots 2-41$$

This ratio  $\theta_1 / \theta_2$  is plotted against  $\lambda$  ( $\lambda = 1 \dots 10^4$ ) in figure 2-12 and against  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$  in figure 2-13. If  $t_1$  and  $t_2$  are given, then  $u$  may be found by the following process.

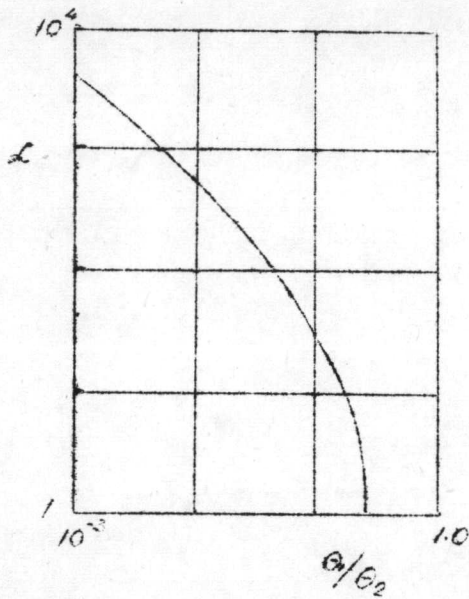


Fig. 2-12  $\alpha = f(\theta_1 / \theta_2)$

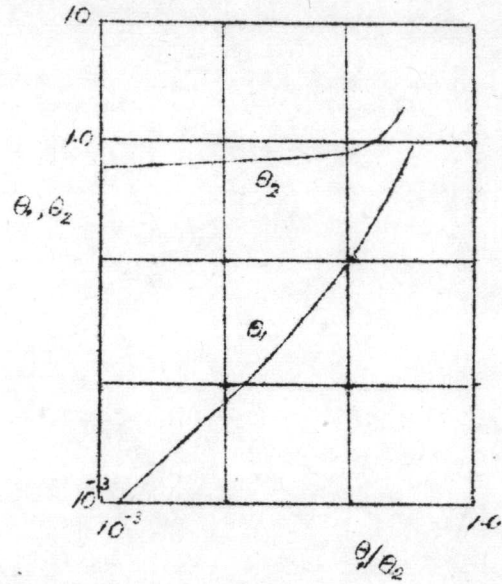
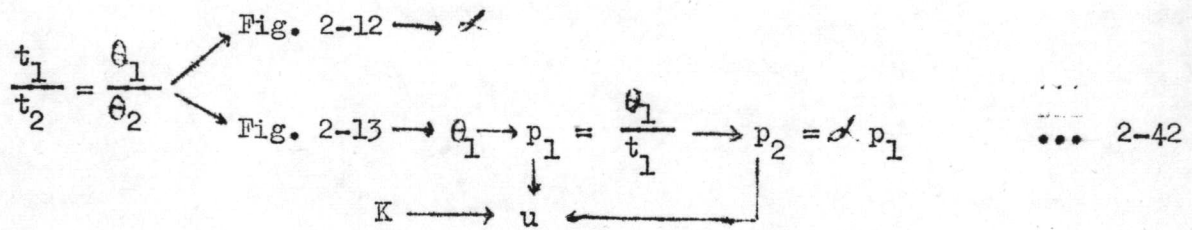


Fig. 2-13  $\theta_1, \theta_2 = f(\theta_1 / \theta_2)$



But from equations 2-38, 2-40;  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  are easier calculated from

$$p_1 = \frac{\theta_2}{t_2}$$

and

$$p_2 = \frac{\theta_1}{t_2}$$

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where it is sufficient to draw the graphs of

$$\alpha \theta_1 = f(t_1 / t_2)$$

and

$$\theta_2 = f(t_1 / t_2)$$

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given in figure 2-14

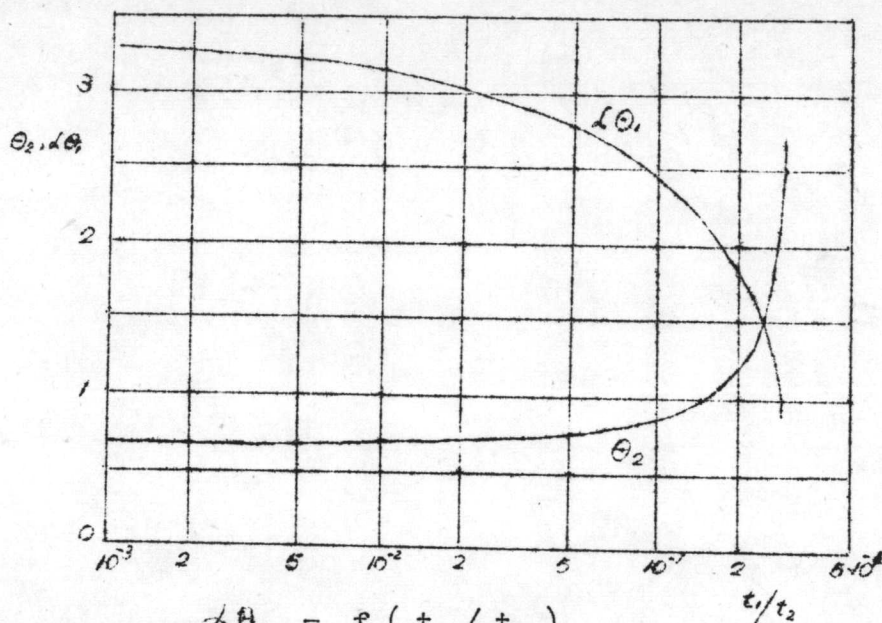
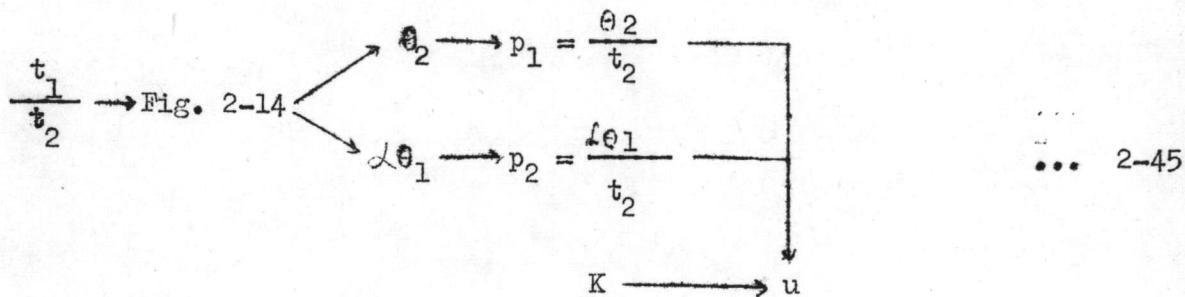


Fig 2-14  
 $\theta_1 = f(t_1 / t_2)$   
 $l\theta_1 = f(t_1 / t_2)$

So that u can directly be found from  $t_1 / t_2$  with the uses of figure 2-14 and equation 2-43 and the process is now



Voltage Efficiency ( $\eta$ )

The efficiency is given by the ratio of

$$\eta = \frac{u_{\text{peak}}}{U_0}$$

This ratio should be as high as possible. There exists a maximum for every circuit and every kind of impulse wave shape

If  $t_n$  is the time for impulse voltage to be peak, that is

$$u_{\text{peak}} = \frac{U_0}{K(p_2 - p_1)} \left[ e^{-p_1 t_n} - e^{-p_2 t_n} \right] \quad \dots \quad 2-47$$

Then

$$\eta = \frac{u_{\text{peak}}}{U_0} = \frac{1}{K(p_2 - p_1)} \left[ e^{-p_1 t_n} - e^{-p_2 t_n} \right] \quad \dots \quad 2-48$$

$$\text{or} \quad \eta = \frac{1}{Kp_1(\alpha - 1)} \left[ e^{-\alpha \frac{t_n}{\tau}} - e^{-\alpha^2 \frac{t_n}{\tau}} \right] \quad \dots \quad 2-49$$

For maximum efficiency

$$\frac{d\eta}{d\frac{t_n}{\tau}} = 0 \quad \dots \quad 2-50$$

gets

$$\frac{t_n}{\tau} = \frac{\ln \alpha}{\alpha - 1} \quad \dots \quad 2-51$$

Where  $\frac{t_n}{\tau}$  is the value of standard time for the ratio peak value of impulse voltage to total charging voltage of the impulse generator becomes a maximum

$$\text{and then} \quad \eta = \frac{1}{Kp_1(\alpha - 1)} f(\alpha)$$

$$\text{here} \quad f(\alpha) = \left[ e^{-\ln \alpha / (\alpha - 1)} - e^{-\alpha (\ln \alpha / (\alpha - 1))} \right] \quad \dots \quad 2-52$$

Since  $\alpha$  and  $p_1$  depend upon the voltage shape, and  $\eta$  depends only upon  $K$  for a given voltage shape, Then the impulse voltage will have a maximum efficiency whenever  $K$  is minimum.

The values of  $\eta$  for all three circuits of figure 2-10 are given in figure 2-15.

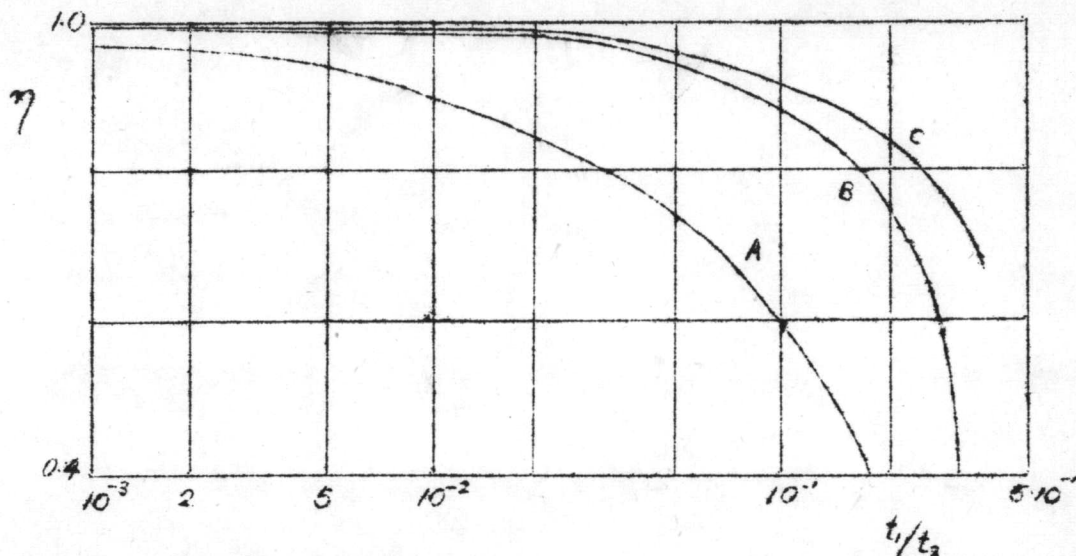


Fig. 2-15  $\eta = f(t_1/t_2)$

The Ratio  $C_1/C_2$  for Maximum Efficiency

The efficiency will vary with changing ratios of generator  $C_1$  to load capacitance  $C_2$ , and there is a wide divergence for large  $C_1/C_2$  ratios for the two circuits locations of resistor  $R_1$ .

It can be shown for circuit A that is a maximum for a ratio  $C_1/C_2$  which is itself a function of  $t_1/t_2$ , that means of impulse voltage wave shape. The function  $C_1/C_2 = f(t_1/t_2)$  for maximum efficiency is shown in figure 2-16.

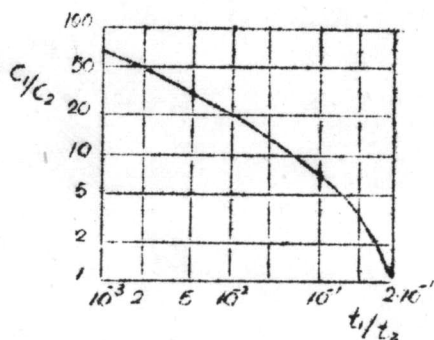


Fig. 2-16  $C_1/C_2 = f(t_1/t_2)_{\eta_{max}}$   
valid for circuit A

In circuit B the ratio  $C_1/C_2$  must be as high as possible.  $\eta$  reaches its maximum if  $C_1/C_2 > 10^2$ .

### Procedure in Finding the Circuit Parameters

#### Circuit A



The two roots are

$$p_1, p_2 = \frac{-(C_1 R_1 + C_1 R_2 + C_2 R_2) \pm \sqrt{(C_1 R_1 + C_1 R_2 + C_2 R_2)^2 - 4C_1 C_2 R_1 R_2}}{2C_1 C_2 R_1 R_2} \quad \dots 2-53$$

so that,

$$\frac{p_1 + p_2}{p_1 p_2} = C_1 R_1 + C_1 R_2 + C_2 R_2$$

$$\frac{1}{p_1 p_2} = C_1 C_2 R_1 R_2 \quad \dots 2-54$$

The condition for  $\eta$  is maximum is

$$C_1 R_1 = C_2 R_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{p_1 p_2}} \quad \dots 2-55$$

But substitution, equation 2-54 is written as

$$\frac{2}{\sqrt{p_1 p_2}} + \frac{1}{p_1 p_2 C_2 R_1} = \frac{p_1 + p_2}{p_1 p_2} \quad \dots 2-56$$

$$\text{then } K_{\min.} = (C_2 R_1)_{\min.} = \frac{1}{p_1 + p_2 - 2\sqrt{p_1 p_2}}$$

$$\text{or } C_2 (R_1)_{\min.} = \frac{p}{p_1 + p_2 - 2\sqrt{p_1 p_2}} \quad \dots 2-57$$

with  $p_2 = \lambda p_1$ ,

$$C_2 (R_1)_{\min.} p_1 = \frac{1}{1 + \lambda - 2\sqrt{\lambda}} \quad \dots 2-58$$

Therefore the maximum efficiency is

$$\eta_{\max.} = \frac{(\sqrt{\lambda} - 1)^2}{\lambda - 1} \quad f(\lambda) \quad \dots 2-59$$

The value of  $\alpha$  is obtained from figure 2-12, and the parameters can be calculated. But remember that the capacitive value of the test object must be included in  $C_2$ .

It is sufficient to write the ratio of  $C_1/C_2$  in the function of  $t_1/t_2$  for maximum efficiency condition; again write,

$$C_1 R_2 = \frac{p_1 + p_2}{p_1 p_2} - 2 \frac{1}{\sqrt{p_1 p_2}}$$

and

$$C_2 R_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{p_1 p_2}} \quad \dots \quad 2-60$$

then

$$\frac{C_1}{C_2} = \frac{(\sqrt{\alpha} - 1)^2}{\sqrt{\alpha}} \quad \dots \quad 2-61$$

For any  $t_1/t_2$  wave,  $\alpha$  is obtained from figure 2-11 and  $C_1/C_2$  from figure 2-16

The values of  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are given by

$$R_1 = \frac{1}{C_1 \sqrt{p_1 p_2}}$$

and

$$R_2 = \frac{1}{C_2 \sqrt{p_1 p_2}} \quad \dots \quad 2-62$$

$$= \frac{C_1}{C_2} R_1$$

#### Circuit B

The two roots are given as

$$\frac{p_1 + p_2}{p_1 p_2} = C_1 R_1 + C_2 R_1 + C_2 R_2 \quad \dots \quad 2-63$$

and

$$\frac{1}{p_1 p_2} = C_1 C_2 R_1 R_2$$

The efficiency of the circuit is

$$\eta = \frac{1}{C_2 R_2} \frac{1}{p_1} \frac{1}{\alpha - 1} f(\alpha) \quad \dots \quad 2-64$$



Therefore

$$R_2 = \frac{p_1 + p_2}{2p_1 p_2 C_2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{p_1 + p_2}{2p_1 p_2 C_2}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{p_1 p_2 C_2} \left(\frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2}\right)} \quad \dots \quad 2-65$$

Condition for maximum efficiency,  $C_2 R_2$  is minimum. i.e.

$$(C_2 R_2)_{\min.} = \frac{1}{2p_1 p_2} \left( p_1 + p_2 \pm \sqrt{(p_1 + p_2)^2 - 4p_1 p_2} \right) \quad \dots \quad 2-66$$

Since  $C_2$  is constant for any load capacitance,

$$\begin{aligned} (R_2)_{\min.} C_2 &= \frac{1}{p_1} \frac{1}{2\alpha} \left[ 1 + \alpha \pm (\alpha - 1) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{p_1} \frac{1}{\alpha} \quad \dots \text{ only} \quad \dots \quad 2-67 \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\eta_{\max.} = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha - 1} f(\alpha) \quad \dots \quad 2-68$$

The value of  $\eta$  is given in figure 2-15. And the ratio  $C_1/C_2$  must be greater than  $10^2$ ,  $10^3$ ... for maximum efficiency.

The resistances  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are given by

$$R_2 = \frac{1}{p_1 C_2} \frac{1}{\alpha} = \frac{1}{p_2 C_2}$$

$$\text{and} \quad R_1 = \frac{1}{p_1 p_2 R_2 C_1 C_2} = \frac{1}{p_1 C_1} \quad \dots \quad 2-69$$

Where the values of  $p_1$ ,  $p_2$ ,  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  are obtained from figure 2-14 and equation 2-43.

## Circuit C

The efficiency of the circuit is

$$\eta = \frac{R}{L} \cdot \frac{1}{p_1} \cdot \frac{1}{\alpha - 1} \cdot f(\alpha) \quad \dots \quad 2-70$$

The characteristic equation of the circuit is

$$p^2 + \frac{R}{C} p + \frac{1}{LC} = 0 \quad \dots \quad 2-71$$

Then the two roots are given as

$$p_1 + p_2 = \frac{R}{C}$$

$$p_1 p_2 = \frac{1}{LC} \quad \dots \quad 2-72$$

For maximum efficiency,

$$R < \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{L/C} \quad \dots \quad 2-73$$

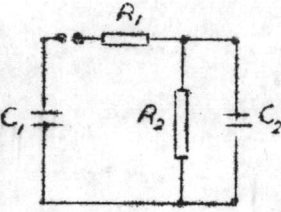
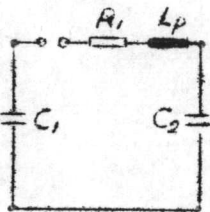
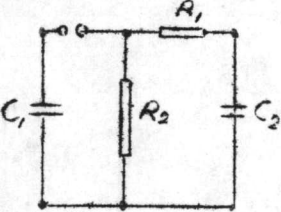
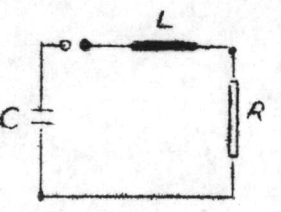
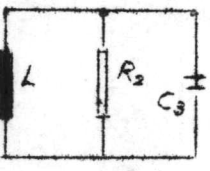
or

$$R < \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{C} \cdot \frac{1}{R}$$

$$< \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{C_{\max.}} \cdot \frac{1}{p_1 + p_2} \quad \dots \quad 2-74$$

$$\eta_{\max.} = \frac{\alpha + 1}{\alpha - 1} f(\alpha) \quad \dots \quad 2-75$$

Table 4. Circuits and parameters for maximum efficiency

Circuit	$R_1$	$R_2$	Critical damping
	$\frac{C_1}{C_2} R_2$	$\frac{1}{C_1 \sqrt{p_1 p_2}}$	 $R_1 > 2 \sqrt{L_p \frac{C_1 + C_2}{C_1 C_2}}$ <p style="text-align: center;">or</p> $L_p < \frac{R_1^2 C_1 C_2}{4(C_1 + C_2)}$
	$\frac{1}{p_1 C_1}$	$\frac{1}{p_2 C_2}$	
	$\frac{R}{L} = p_1 + p_2$ $\frac{1}{LC} = p_1 p_2$	 $R_2 < \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{L}{C_3}}$ <p style="text-align: center;">or</p> $C_3 < \frac{L}{4R_2^2}$	

## Samples of Application

Given  $C_1 = 0.1 \mu\text{F}$

$C_2 = 200 \dots 300 \text{ pF}$

standard wave with  $t_1 = 1.2 \mu\text{s}$  and  $t_2 = 50 \mu\text{s}$

Find  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  for maximum efficiency.

solution

$$\frac{t_1}{t_2} = 0.024$$

Figure 2-14  $\Delta\theta_1 = 2.95$

$$\theta_2 = 0.73$$

Equation 2-43  $p_1 = 0.0146 \mu\text{s}^{-1}$

$$p_2 = 2.46 \mu\text{s}^{-1}$$

Circuit A

$$\eta = 85 \%$$

$$\frac{C_1}{C_2} = 11.1$$

$$C_2 = 9 \text{ nF}$$

$$R_1 = 587 \Omega$$

$$R_2 = 53 \Omega$$

Circuit B

$$\eta = 97 \%$$

$$\frac{C_1}{C_2} = 10^2$$

$$C_2 = 10 \text{ nF}$$

$$R_1 = 70 \text{ } \Omega$$

$$R_2 = 41 \text{ } \Omega$$

Circuit C

$$\eta = 97 \%$$

No oscillation

$$R_2 < 674 \text{ } \Omega$$

$$L < 272 \text{ } \mu\text{H}$$

$$C > 0.1025 \text{ } \mu\text{F}$$

For

$$C = 0.15 \text{ } \mu\text{F}$$

$$L = 186 \text{ } \mu\text{H}$$

$$R_2 = 460 \text{ } \Omega$$