

Section 5

Question
Answer

Since R and G are negligible, transmission line equations become

$$\frac{\partial e}{\partial x} = -L \frac{\partial i}{\partial t} \quad (i)$$

and

$$\frac{\partial i}{\partial x} = -C \frac{\partial e}{\partial t} \quad (ii)$$

For elimination of i , differential eq. (i) partially w.r.t. x and eq. (ii) partially w.r.t. t we have.

$$\frac{\partial^2 e}{\partial x^2} = -L \frac{\partial^2 i}{\partial x \partial t} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial^2 i}{\partial t \partial x} = C \frac{\partial^2 e}{\partial t^2}$$

Hence,

$$\frac{\partial^2 e}{\partial x^2} = LC \frac{\partial^2 e}{\partial t^2} \quad \text{--- (iii)}$$

The initial conditions are $i(x, 0) = i_0$, $e(x, 0) = E_0 \sin \frac{\pi x}{l}$ (iv)

Since the ends are suddenly grounded, the boundary conditions (v)

$$e(0, t) = e(l, t) = 0$$

Also $i = i_0$ (constant) when $t = 0$

$$\frac{\partial i}{\partial x} = 0 \quad \text{which gives} \quad \frac{\partial e}{\partial t} = 0 \quad \text{when } t = 0 \quad (vi)$$

Now let $e = XT$ be a solution of eq. (iii) where X is a function of x only and T is a function of t only

$$\frac{\partial^2 e}{\partial x^2} = XT \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial^2 e}{\partial t^2} = XT^2$$

\therefore From eq. (iii) $X''T = LCXT$

Separating the variables $\frac{X''}{X} = LC \frac{T''}{T} = -p^2$ (say)
 This leads to the ordinary diff. equation.

$$\frac{d^2X}{dx^2} + p^2X = 0 \text{ and } \frac{d^2T}{dt^2} + \frac{p^2}{LC} T = 0$$

$$X = C_1 \cos px + C_2 \sin px$$

$$T = C_3 \cos \frac{pt}{\sqrt{LC}} + C_4 \sin \frac{pt}{\sqrt{LC}}$$

$$e = XT = (C_1 \cos px + C_2 \sin px)$$

$$\left[C_3 \cos \frac{pt}{\sqrt{LC}} + C_4 \sin \frac{pt}{\sqrt{LC}} \right] \text{ --- (vii)}$$

Applying the boundary condition (v) in eq (vii), we get

$$C_1 = 0 \text{ and } p = \frac{n\pi}{l}, n \text{ being an integer}$$

\therefore Eq (vii) becomes

$$e = C_2 \sin \frac{n\pi x}{l} \left(C_3 \cos \frac{n\pi t}{\sqrt{LC}} + C_4 \sin \frac{n\pi t}{\sqrt{LC}} \right)$$

$$\text{or } e = \sin \frac{n\pi x}{l} \left(A \cos \frac{n\pi t}{\sqrt{LC}} + B \sin \frac{n\pi t}{\sqrt{LC}} \right) \text{ --- (viii)}$$

where $A = C_2 C_3$ and $B = C_2 C_4$

$$\frac{\partial e}{\partial t} = \sin \frac{n\pi x}{l} \left(\frac{-An\pi}{\sqrt{LC}} \sin \frac{n\pi t}{\sqrt{LC}} + \frac{Bn\pi}{\sqrt{LC}} \cos \frac{n\pi t}{\sqrt{LC}} \right)$$

Since $\frac{\partial e}{\partial t} = 0$ where $t=0$, we get
 $B=0$

∴ From eq (vii)

$$e = A \sin \frac{n\pi x}{l} \cos \frac{n\pi t}{\sqrt{LC}}$$

By Superposition, $e = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{l} \cos \frac{n\pi t}{\sqrt{LC}}$ is also a solution

But $e = e_0 \sin \frac{n\pi x}{l}$ when $t = 0$

$$\therefore e_0 \sin \frac{\pi x}{l} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{l}$$

$$A_1 = e_0 \text{ and } A_2 = A_3 = \dots = 0$$

Hence, $e = e_0 \sin \frac{n\pi x}{l} \cos \frac{\pi t}{\sqrt{LC}}$

Now, $-L \frac{\partial i}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial e}{\partial x}$

$$\frac{\partial i}{\partial t} = -\frac{1}{L} \cdot \frac{e_0 \pi}{L} \cos \frac{\pi x}{l} \cos \frac{\pi t}{\sqrt{LC}}$$

Integrating w.r.t. t , regarding x as constant

$$i = \frac{C_0 \pi}{L^2} \cos \frac{\pi x}{l} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{LC}}{\pi} \sin \frac{\pi t}{\sqrt{LC}} + \beta(x) \quad (ix)$$

where $\beta(x)$ is an arbitrary constant function.

Since $i = 0$, when $t = 0$, we have $i_0 = 0 + \beta(x)$ or $\beta(x) = i_0$

∴ From eq (ix) we have

$$i = i_0 - e_0 \sqrt{\frac{C}{L}} \cos \frac{\pi x}{l} \sin \frac{\pi t}{\sqrt{LC}}$$