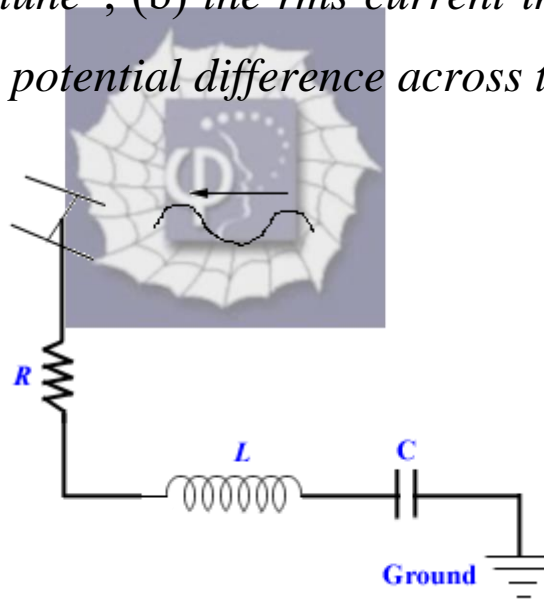


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Problem 39.30 (RHK)

Consider the FM antenna circuit shown in the figure, with $L = 8.22 \mu\text{H}$, $C = 0.270 \text{ pF}$, and $R = 74.7 \Omega$. The radio signal induces an alternating emf in the antenna with $E_{\text{rms}} = 9.13 \mu\text{V}$. We have to find (a) the frequency of the incoming waves for which the antenna is in “tune”; (b) the rms current in the antenna, and (c) the rms potential difference across the capacitor.



Solution:

The inductance of the antenna

$$L = 8.22 \mu\text{H},$$

and the capacitance of the antenna

$$C = 0.270 \text{ pF}.$$

Therefore, the frequency of the incoming waves for which the antenna is in “tune” will be

$$\nu = \frac{1}{2\pi} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{8.22 \times 10^{-6} \times 0.270 \times 10^{-12}}} \text{ Hz}$$
$$= 106.8 \text{ MHz.}$$

The radio signal induces an alternating emf in the antenna with $E_{rms} = 9.13 \mu\text{V}$. As the antenna is tuned to the frequency of the FM signal, the impedance will be resistive and as the resistance of the antenna $R = 74.7 \Omega$, the rms current in the antenna will be

$$i_{rms} = \frac{E_{rms}}{R} = \frac{9.13 \times 10^{-6}}{74.7} \text{ A} = 0.122 \mu\text{A}.$$

The capacitive reactance of the antenna will be

$$X_C = \frac{1}{C\omega} = \sqrt{\frac{L}{C}} = \sqrt{\frac{8.22 \times 10^{-6}}{0.270 \times 10^{-12}}} = 5.52 \times 10^3 \Omega.$$

The rms potential difference across the capacitor will be

$$V_C = i_{rms} X_C = 0.122 \times 10^{-6} \times 5.52 \times 10^3 \text{ V} = 0.67 \text{ mV}.$$