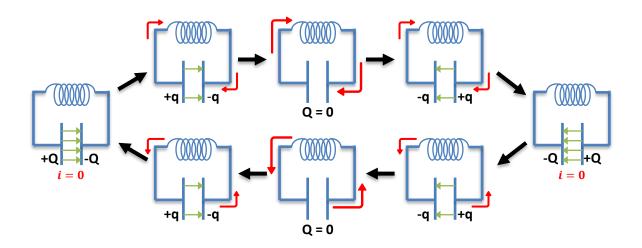
## **CONCEPT: LC CIRCUITS**

• LC Circuits are made up of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_ and follow an 8-step cycle.



- This system \_\_\_\_\_ and behaves similarly to **Simple Harmonic Motion** (Block + Spring)

• Because the system oscillates, the **charge** and **current** are represented by \_\_\_\_\_ functions.

$$-q(t) =$$

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{1}{LC}}$$
  $\rightarrow$  angular frequency of oscillation

$$-i(t) =$$

**φ**: PHASE ANGLE → determines starting point of oscillation

- Note: Make sure calculators are in RADIANS mode!

<u>EXAMPLE</u>: A capacitor with capacitance 5×10<sup>-9</sup>F initially has charge of magnitude 2×10<sup>-4</sup>C on each plate. The charged capacitor is then connected to an inductor with inductance 4.0H. During the current oscillations that occur after the circuit is completed, what is the maximum current in the inductor?

PRACTICE: PHASE ANGLE IN LC CIRCUIT
An LC circuit with an inductor of 0.05 H and a capacitor of 35 $\mu$ F begins with the current of -1A. The capacitor plates have a maximum charge of 2.65mC at any time during the oscillation. What is the phase angle of this oscillation?
EXAMPLE: OSCILLATIONS IN AN LC CIRCUIT
An LC circuit with L = 0.05 H and C = 50 mF begins with the capacitor fully charged. After 0.1s, the current is 0.2A. Under these conditions, how many seconds does it take for a fully charged plate to transfer all of its charge to the other plate?

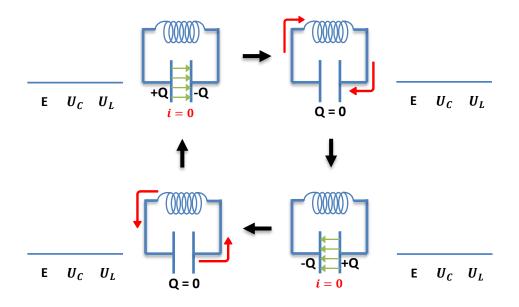
## **CONCEPT: ENERGY IN AN LC CIRCUIT**

- Because there is no resistance, energy is conserved in an LC circuit:
  - Energy oscillates between \_\_\_\_\_ energy (Capacitor) and \_\_\_\_\_ energy (Inductor)
  - A capacitor stores ELECTRICAL ENERGY

$$-U_C = \frac{1}{2}CV^2 = \frac{1}{2}QV = \frac{1}{2}\frac{Q^2}{C}$$

• An inductor stores MAGNETIC ENERGY

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$$U_L = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$$



EXAMPLE: An LC circuit has an 0.1 H inductor and a 15 nF capacitor, and begins with the capacitor maximally charged with 50mC. After 0.1 s, a) how much energy is stored by the inductor? b) What is the maximum current in the circuit?

## PRACTICE: LC CIRCUIT WITH UNKNOWN INDUCTOR

In an oscillating LC circuit in which the capacitance  $C = 4\mu F$  and the maximum voltage across the capacitor V = 1.50V, the maximum current measured across the inductor is 50mA. What is the angular frequency of this LC circuit?