

## Homework Assignment #7 – due in BRKI 368 at 4 pm Friday, Nov. 8, 2013

**Instructions, notes, and hints:**

You may make reasonable assumptions and approximations in order to compensate for missing information, if any. Provide the details of all solutions, including important intermediate steps. You will not receive credit if you do not show your work.

All Problems: Unless otherwise specified, complex impedances should be expressed in rectangular form, and voltage and current phasors should be expressed in polar form.

**Assignment:**

Probs. 7.20, 7.23ade, 7.31, and 7.33 in the textbook plus the following additional problem:

- The diagram below models the  $\times 10$  probes used with the oscilloscopes in the lab. The resistance  $R_{in}$  and capacitance  $C_{in}$  represent the equivalent input resistance and capacitance, respectively, of one of the oscilloscope's channels. ( $C_{in}$  includes the capacitance of the coaxial test lead; 86 pF of cable capacitance is added to the 14-pF input capacitance of the oscilloscope alone.) The probe is designed so that the voltage  $V_{in}$  that appears at the oscilloscope's input will be 1/10 of the voltage being measured ( $V_{test}$ ). (That is why you have to press the "Probe" button on the oscilloscope and select "10:1" to get the correct voltage readings.) Because of the presence of  $C_{in}$ , a simple resistive voltage divider will not suffice. Capacitor  $C_p$  must be added in parallel with  $R_p$  to compensate. If the values of  $R_p$  and  $C_p$  are chosen correctly, the probe will produce the desired 1/10 voltage magnitude reduction but no phase shift at all frequencies of operation. For the values of  $R_{in}$  and  $C_{in}$  given, find the required values of  $R_p$  and  $C_p$  so that  $V_{in} = 0.1V_{test}$  (i.e., the magnitude of phasor  $V_{test}$  is reduced by 1/10 and the phase is unchanged) regardless of frequency. *Time-saver:* The equivalent impedance of the parallel combination of a resistor  $R$  and a capacitor  $C$  can be expressed as:

$$R \parallel \frac{1}{j\omega C} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{R} + \frac{1}{1/j\omega C}} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{R} + j\omega C} = \frac{R}{1 + j\omega RC}.$$

*Hint:* Express the  $R_p$ - $C_p$  combination as equivalent impedance  $Z_p$  and the  $R_{in}$ - $C_{in}$  combination as equivalent impedance  $Z_{in}$ , and use the voltage divider formula to relate  $V_{in}$  to  $V_{test}$ .

