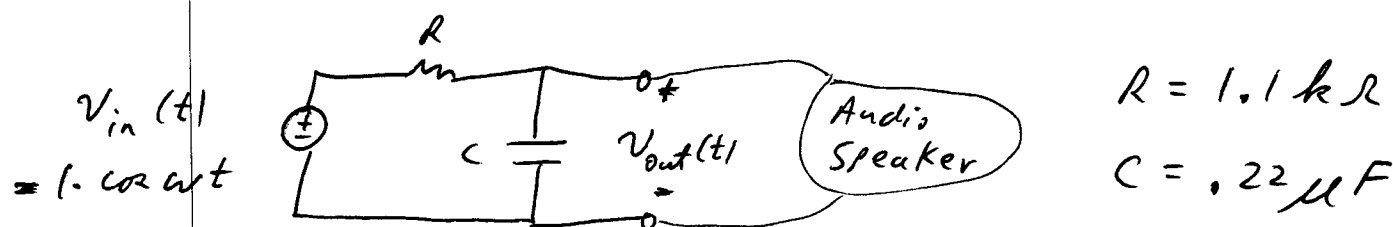


Sinusoidal Response of Circuits

(Frequency selective "filters")

Relevant reading in the text:

Class demonstration to motivate "filters":



Vary ω , the frequency of input sine wave.

Low frequencies: (Below $f = 658 \text{ Hz}$)

V_{out} is about the same size as V_{in} ,
and tone is audible.

High frequencies: (Above $f = 658 \text{ Hz}$)

V_{out} is smaller than V_{in} ,
and tone is less loud.

Our goal is to understand what is happening in this circuit.

Such "filters" are used in many applications:
Tune radios, TVs, treble + bass on stereo,
equalizers, Dolby for cassettes, compact disks,...

Basic idea: Circuit is a voltage divider.

The capacitor "impedance" decreases as ω increases, so V_{out} gets smaller as ω increases.

Outline:

- we have reviewed sine waves on a separate set of notes.
- we will define "phasors", which describe sine waves by a complex number.
- we will review the arithmetic of complex numbers
- we will define "impedance", which is like a resistance that varies with frequency.
- we will apply phasors + impedance to circuits.

Phasors:

A phasor characterizes the amplitude + phase of a sinusoidal time signal:

Time signal: $v(t) = A \cos[\omega t + \phi]$

Phasor: $\underline{v} = A \angle \phi = A e^{j\phi}$

Re Frequency ω is omitted from the phasor.

The rationale is that "linear" circuits (the kind we've been studying) do not change the frequency ω — they only change the amplitude + phase of a sine wave.

[Recall the RC demo on p. 1: the output has the same frequency as the input, but it can be smaller in amplitude + shifted in phase.]

Examples:

Time Signal

Phasor

$$v(t) = 10.1 \cos(100t)$$

$$\underline{v} =$$

$$v(t) = 2 \cos(5t + 30^\circ)$$

$$\underline{v} =$$

$$v(t) = \cos(77t)$$

$$\underline{v} = 4 \angle -35^\circ$$

We manipulate phasors as complex numbers.

Recall "imaginary" numbers: $\boxed{j = \sqrt{-1}}$

(You may have used $i = \sqrt{-1}$ in math — we use j since i is used for current)

Imaginary numbers arise in solving equations like $x^2 = -4 \Rightarrow x = j2$

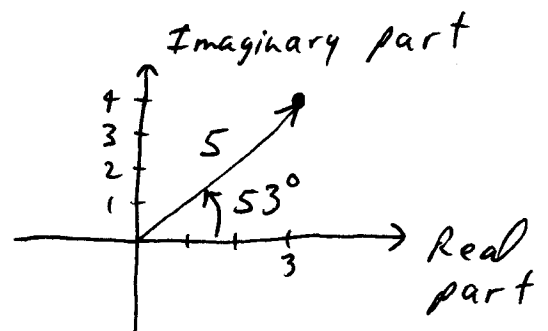
$$\text{Because: } (j2)^2 = j^2 \cdot 2^2 = (\sqrt{-1})^2 \cdot 4 = -4$$

So $\boxed{j^2 = -1} \Rightarrow$ remember that.

"Complex" numbers have a real part and an imaginary part.

$$\text{Ex: } 3 + j4$$

We can visualize this as a vector in the "complex plane":



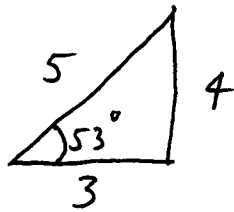
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$3 + j4$ is the "rectangular form".

An equivalent representation is the "polar form":

$5 \angle 53^\circ$ = vector of length 5 at angle 53° with real axis.

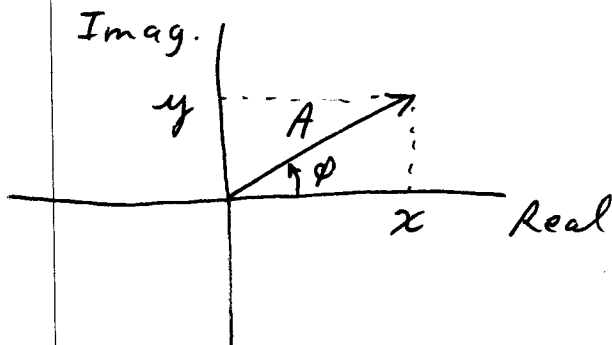
How I got this:



$$5 = \sqrt{3^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{9 + 16}$$

$$53^\circ = \tan^{-1} \frac{4}{3}$$

General conversion between rectangular & polar forms:



$$x + jy$$

$$= A \angle \phi$$

If know $x + jy$:

$$A = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} = \text{"magnitude"}$$

$$\phi = \tan^{-1} \frac{y}{x} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Need to be} \\ \text{careful about} \\ \text{quadrant} \end{array} \right.$$

If know $A \angle \phi$:

$$x = A \cos \phi$$

$$y = A \sin \phi$$

A phasor $A \angle \phi$ is like a vector, with one additional feature: phasors can be multiplied in a way vectors cannot.

Complex number arithmetic:

Addition + subtraction: Operate on real & imaginary parts separately.

$$(3 + j4) + (-1 + j2) = (3-1) + j(4+2) \\ = 2 + j6$$

Use rectangular form to add/subtract.

Multiplication: With rectangular form, use algebra, & remember $j^2 = -1$:

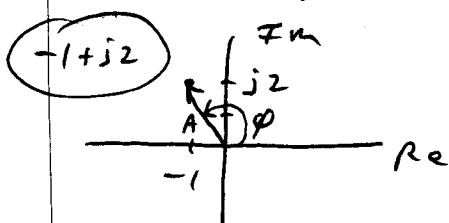
$$(3 + j4) \cdot (-1 + j2) = (3)(-1) + (3)(j2) + (j4)(-1) \\ + (j4)(j2) \\ = -3 + j6 + j(-4) + j^2(8) \\ = -3 - 8 + j(6-4) = -11 + j2$$

Multiplication & Division are simpler with polar form:

$$(A_1 \angle \phi_1) \cdot (A_2 \angle \phi_2) = A_1 \cdot A_2 \angle (\phi_1 + \phi_2)$$

$$\frac{A_1 \angle \phi_1}{A_2 \angle \phi_2} = \frac{A_1}{A_2} \angle (\phi_1 - \phi_2)$$

For example above: $3 + j4 = 5 \angle 53^\circ$



$$A = \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{5}$$

$$\phi = 180^\circ - \tan^{-1} \frac{2}{1} = 110^\circ$$



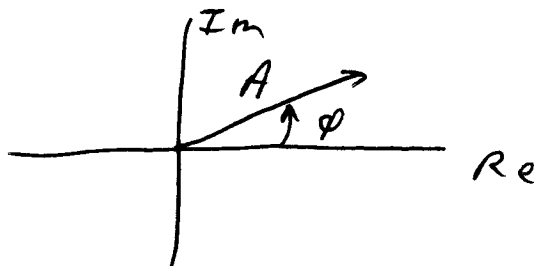
$$\begin{aligned}
 (3+j4) \cdot (-1+j2) &= (5 \angle 53^\circ) \cdot (\sqrt{5} \angle 110^\circ) \\
 &= 5 \cdot \sqrt{5} \angle 170^\circ \\
 &= 5 \cdot \sqrt{5} \cos 170^\circ + j 5 \sqrt{5} \sin 170^\circ \\
 &= -11 + j2, \text{ which agrees.}
 \end{aligned}$$

Your calculator may do complex number arithmetic — feel free to use those capabilities.

So we will think of phasors as complex numbers, and manipulate them as complex numbers.

Time Function: $v(t) = A \cos(\omega t + \phi)$

Phasor: $\underline{v} = A \angle \phi$



This simplifies the analysis — it is easier than solving differential eqs!

Impedance

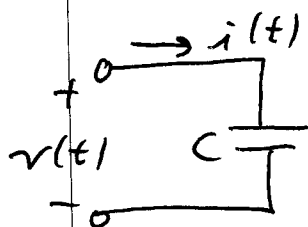
Recall Ohm's law for resistors:

$$R = \frac{v(t)}{i(t)}$$

The current + voltage are always related this way for a resistor, even if the voltage + current varies with time.
(For example, $v(t) = 2 \cos(100t)$.)

We want to get a similar relation for a capacitor. We will take the ratio of voltage + current phasors.

Consider $v(t) = A \cos \omega t$ across cap.:

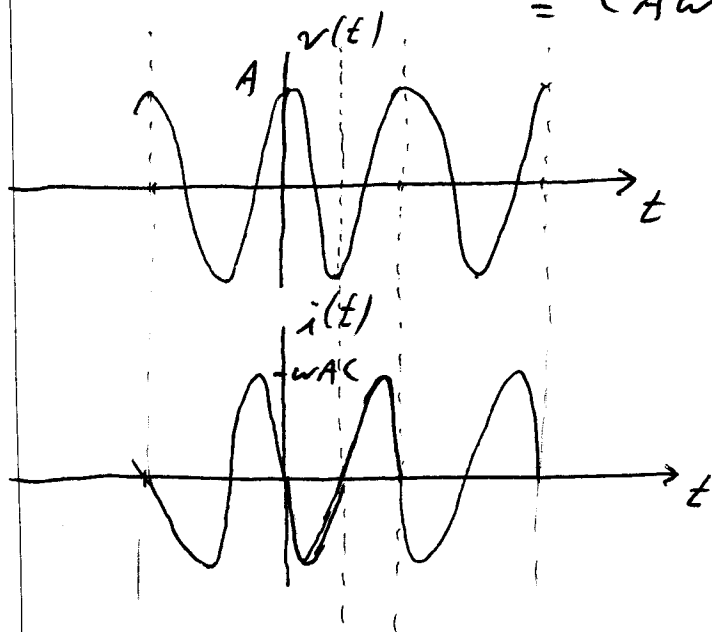


$$i(t) = C \frac{dv}{dt}$$

$$= C \cdot \frac{d}{dt} A \cos \omega t$$

$$= -CA\omega \sin \omega t$$

$$= CA\omega \cos[\omega t + 90^\circ]$$

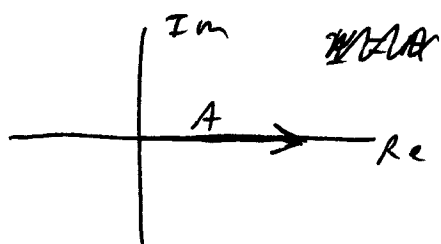


Current is scaled in amplitude by factor ωC , and shifted in phase by 90° , relative to voltage.

Phasors for voltage & current:

$$v(t) = A \cos \omega t$$

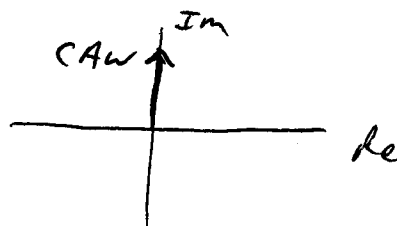
$$\underline{v} = A \angle 0^\circ$$



$$\underline{v} = A$$

$$i(t) = CA\omega \cos[\omega t + 90^\circ]$$

$$\underline{i} = CA\omega \angle 90^\circ$$



$$\underline{i} = j(CA\omega)$$

Note the phasors $\underline{v}$ and $\underline{i}$ convey the amplitude & phase difference between voltage & current.

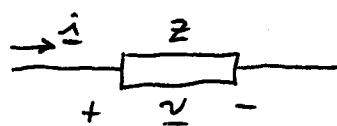
Define impedance of capacitor:

$$\underline{Z}_c = \frac{\underline{v}}{\underline{i}} = \frac{A}{jCA\omega} = \boxed{\frac{1}{j\omega C}}$$

- This is like a resistance: it relates voltage & current flow, like Ohm's law.
- Note the impedance varies with freq. ω . In fact, it gets smaller as ω increases, which agrees with the demo. on page 1.
- The impedance is a complex number, which allows it to account for the phase shift between $v(t)$ and $i(t)$.

Ohm's Law for phasors + impedance:

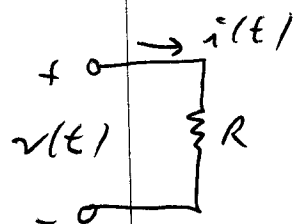
$$\underline{v} = \underline{i} \underline{Z}$$



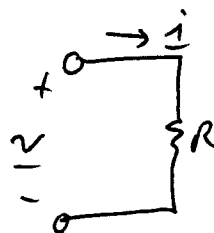
Here $\underline{v}$, $\underline{i}$, and $\underline{Z}$ are complex numbers.

Impedance of resistors, capacitors, inductors:

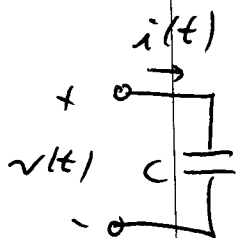
General Formulas



$$v(t) = R i(t)$$

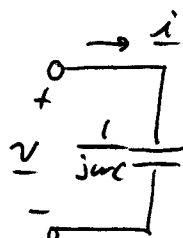


$$\underline{v} = R \underline{i}$$

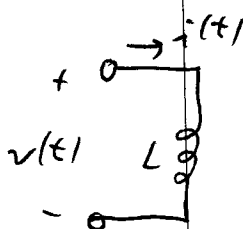


$$i(t) = C \frac{dv}{dt}$$

$$v(t) = \frac{1}{C} \int_{-\infty}^t i(x) dx$$

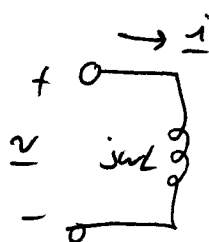


$$\underline{v} = \left(\frac{1}{j\omega C} \right) \underline{i}$$



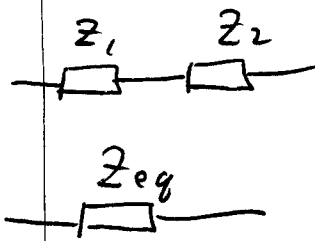
$$v(t) = L \frac{di}{dt}$$

$$i(t) = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-\infty}^t v(x) dx$$

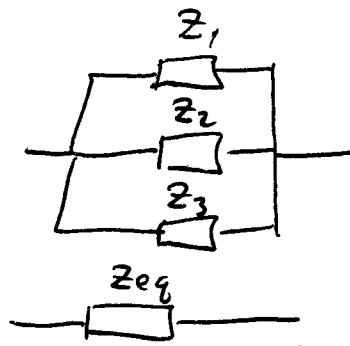


$$\underline{v} = (j\omega L) \underline{i}$$

- Can transform circuit elements to impedances
- Impedances in series/parallel combine like resistors

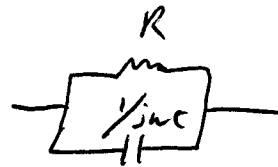
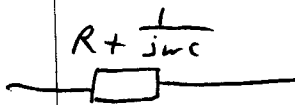
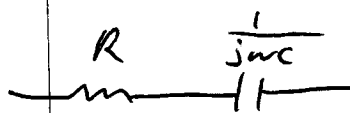


$$Z_{eq} = Z_1 + Z_2$$



$$\frac{1}{Z_{eq}} = \frac{1}{Z_1} + \frac{1}{Z_2} + \frac{1}{Z_3}$$

Examples:



$$\frac{R \cdot \frac{1}{jwc}}{R + \frac{1}{jwc}} = \frac{R}{jwRC + 1}$$

The actual impedance will depend on the values of R , C , and the frequency ω of the applied sine wave.

The impedance changes with Freq. ω .

All of our circuit analysis tools apply to circuits with impedances & phasors:

• Generalized Ohm's Law: $\underline{V} = \underline{I} \underline{Z}$

• KVL, KCL

• Voltage divider

• Nodal & mesh analysis

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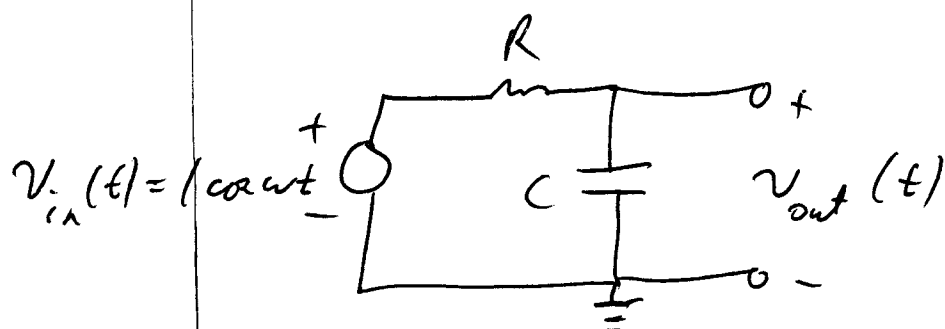
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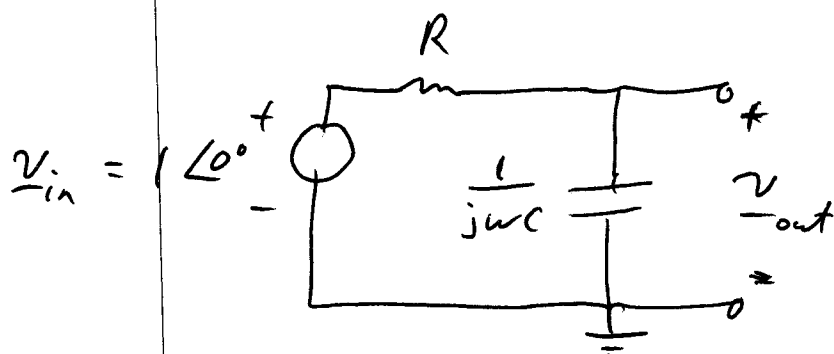
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Now we can understand the RC circuit on page 1:



Redraw circuit with phasors & impedances - we will then be able to solve for the output voltage phasor, for a given input freq. ω .



Treat impedances like resistors:

$$\underline{V}_{out} =$$