

**Electronic - III**

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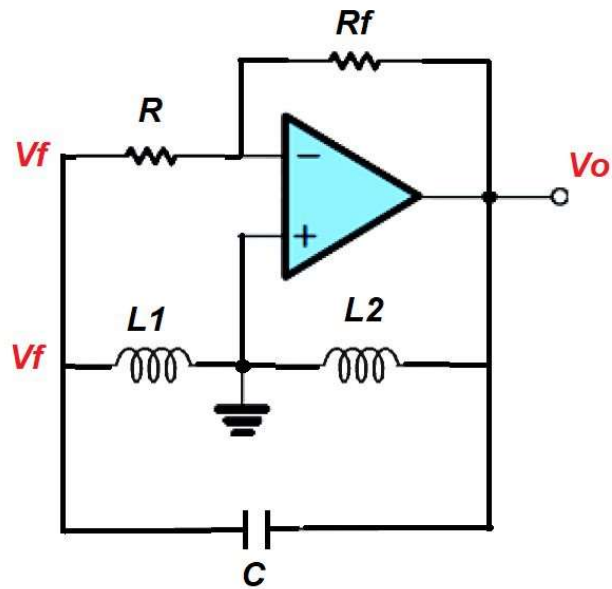
**Oscillators**

**Crystal oscillator**

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# LC Oscillators

*Hartley Oscillator*

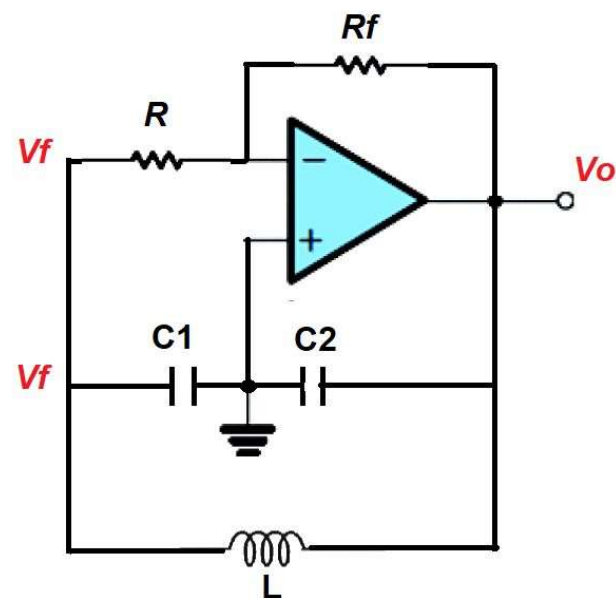


$$f_o = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{L_T C}}$$

$$L_T = L_1 + L_2$$

$$\frac{R_f}{R} = \frac{L_2}{L_1}$$

*Colpitts Oscillator*



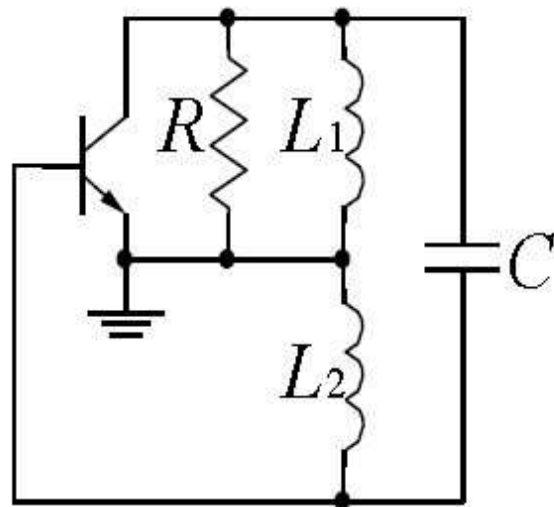
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# LC Oscillators with BJT Amplifier

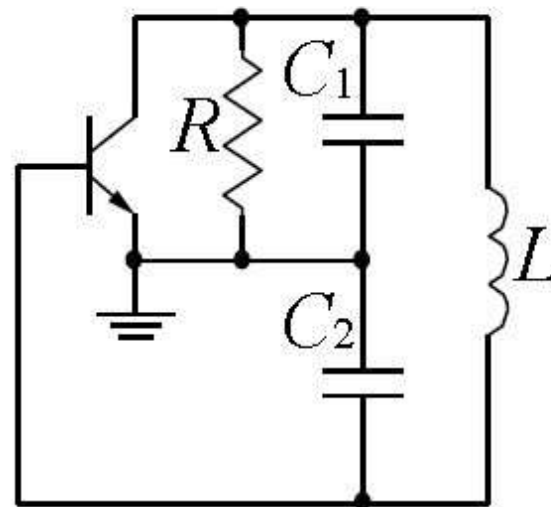
**Hartley Oscillator**



$$\omega_o = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(L_1 + L_2)C}}$$

$$g_m = \frac{L_1}{RL_2}$$

**Colpitts Oscillator**



$$\omega_o = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC_T}} \quad C_T = \frac{C_1 C_2}{C_1 + C_2}$$

$$g_m = \frac{C_2}{RC_1}$$

# Feedback Circuit Affects the Frequency of Oscillation

Loading of the Feedback Circuit Affects the Frequency of Oscillation

$$f_r = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{LC_T}} \sqrt{\frac{Q^2}{Q^2 + 1}}$$

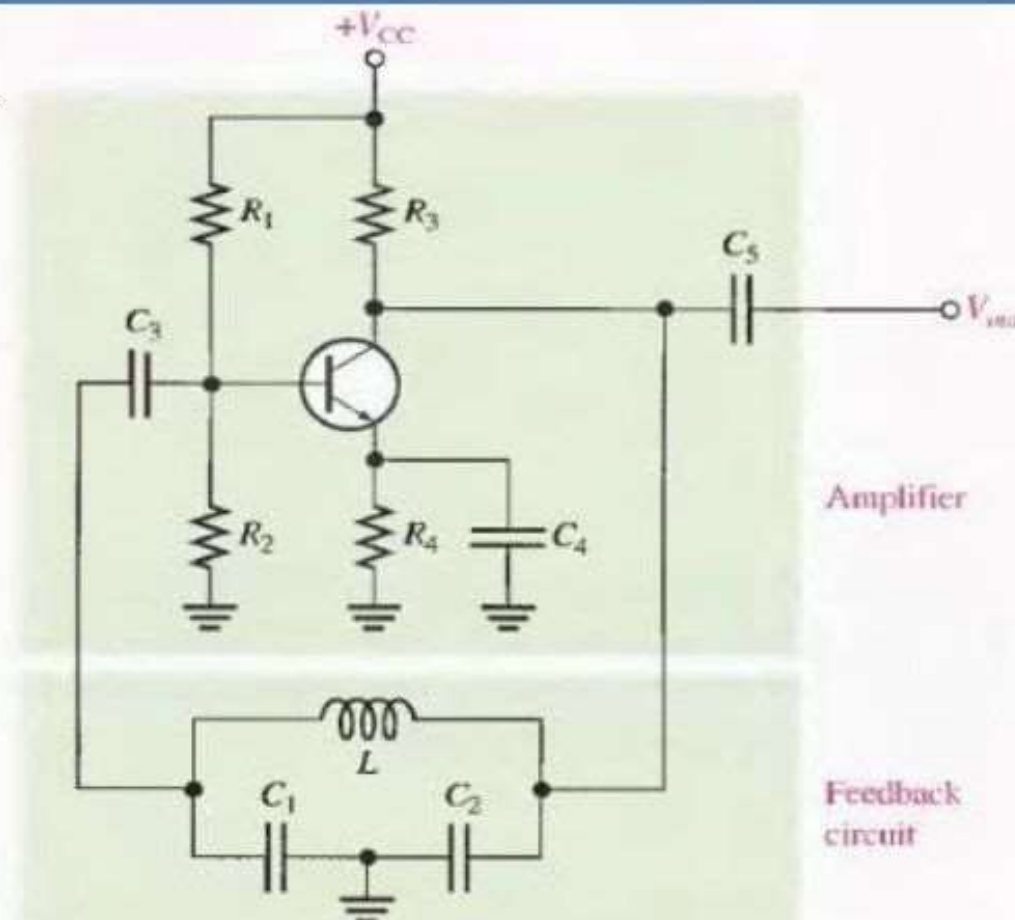
Where  $Q = \frac{f_o}{B.W}$   
The quality Factor

# A basic Colpitts oscillator with a BJT as the gain element

## Colpitts Oscillator

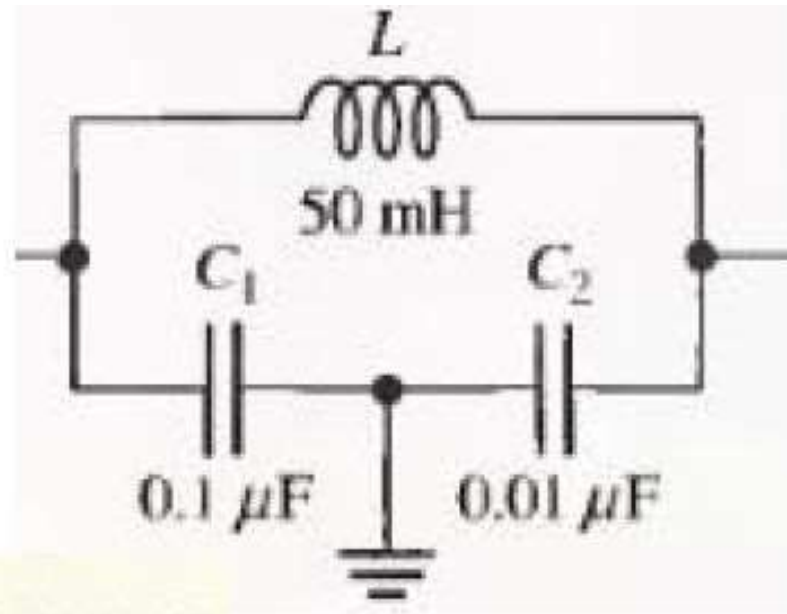
$$\omega_o = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC_T}}$$

$$C_T = \frac{C_1 C_2}{C_1 + C_2}$$



## Example

Determine the frequency for the oscillator. Assume there is negligible loading on the feedback circuit and that its  $Q$  is greater than 10.

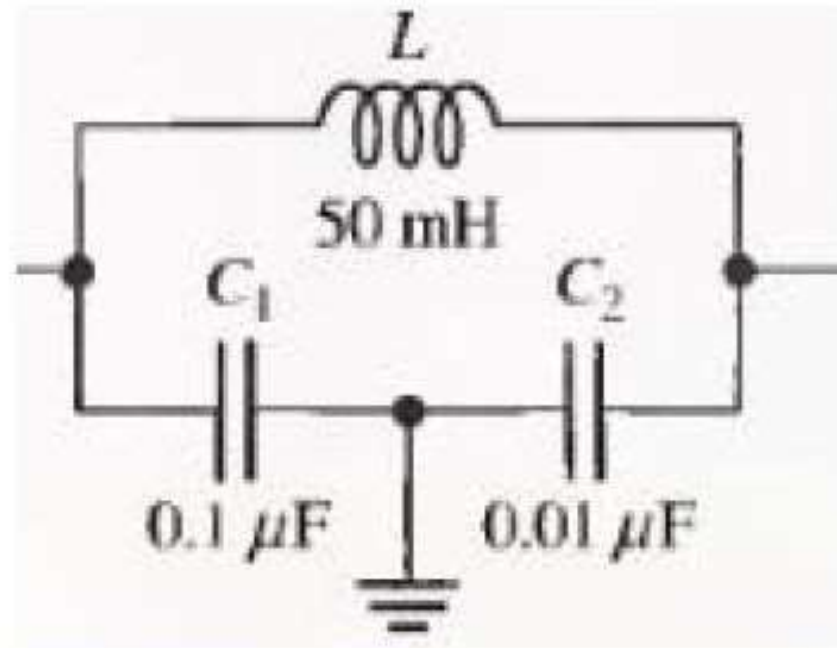


$$C_T = \frac{C_1 C_2}{C_1 + C_2} = \frac{(0.1 \mu\text{F})(0.01 \mu\text{F})}{0.11 \mu\text{F}} = 0.0091 \mu\text{F}$$

$$f_r \cong \frac{1}{2\pi \sqrt{LC_T}} = \frac{1}{2\pi \sqrt{(50 \text{ mH})(0.0091 \mu\text{F})}} = 7.46 \text{ kHz}$$

## Example

Find the frequency if the oscillator is loaded to a point where the  $Q$  drops to 8

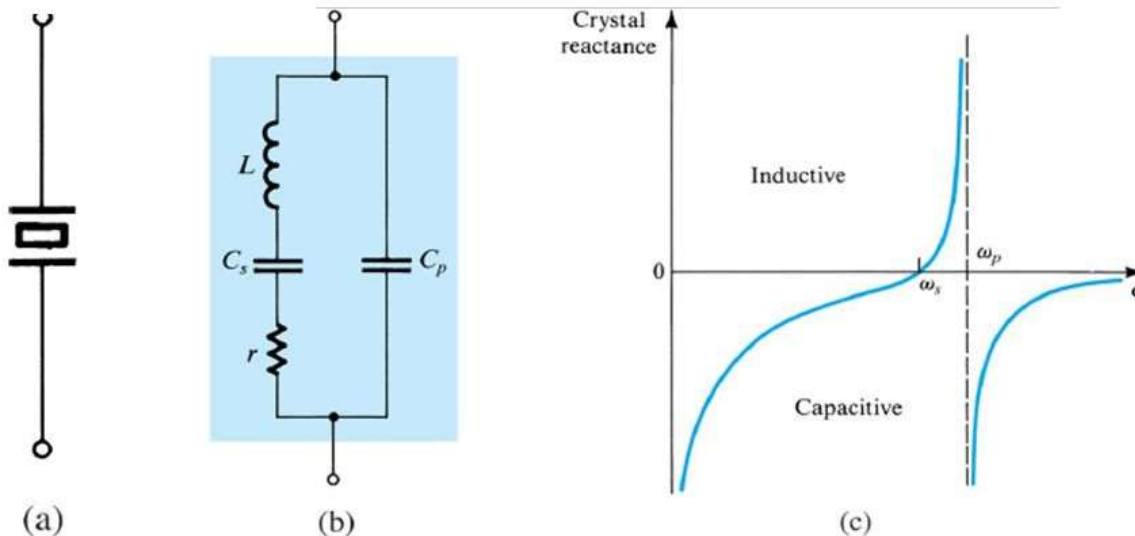


$$f_r = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{LC_T}} \sqrt{\frac{Q^2}{Q^2 + 1}} = (7.46 \text{ kHz})(0.9923) = 7.40 \text{ kHz}$$



## Crystal Oscillators

A piezoelectric crystal, such as quartz, exhibits electromechanical-resonance characteristics that are very stable (with time and temperature) and highly selective (having very high  $Q$  factors). The resonance properties are characterized by a large inductance  $L$  (as high as hundreds of henrys), a very small series capacitance  $C_s$  (as small as 0.0005 pF), a series resistance  $r$  representing a  $Q$  factor  $\omega_0 L/r$  that can be as high as a few hundred thousand, and a parallel capacitance  $C_p$  (a few picofarads). Capacitor  $C_p$  represents the electrostatic capacitance between the two parallel plates of the crystal. Note that  $C_p \gg C_s$ .



**(a)** Circuit symbol, **(b)** Equivalent circuit, **(c)** Crystal reactance versus frequency  
[note that, neglecting the small resistance ( $r$ ) to get high Quality  $Z_{\text{crystal}} = jX(\omega)$ ]

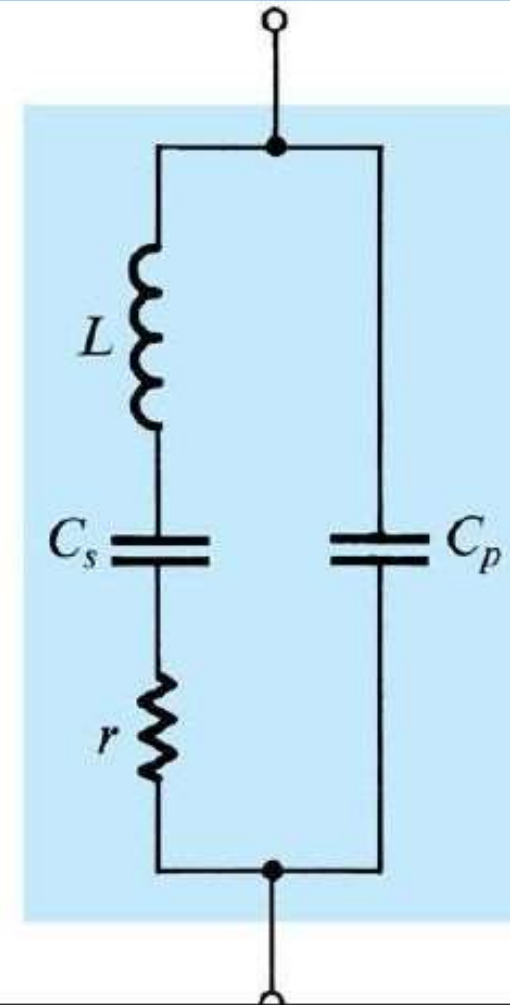


# Piezoelectric Crystal Oscillator

Since the  $Q$  factor is very high, we may neglect the resistance  $r$  and express the crystal impedance as

$$Z(s) = 1 / \left[ sC_p + \frac{1}{sL + 1/sC_s} \right]$$

$$Z(s) = \frac{1}{sC_p} \frac{s^2 + (1/LC_s)}{s^2 + [(C_p + C_s)/LC_s C_p]}$$



# Piezoelectric Crystal Oscillator

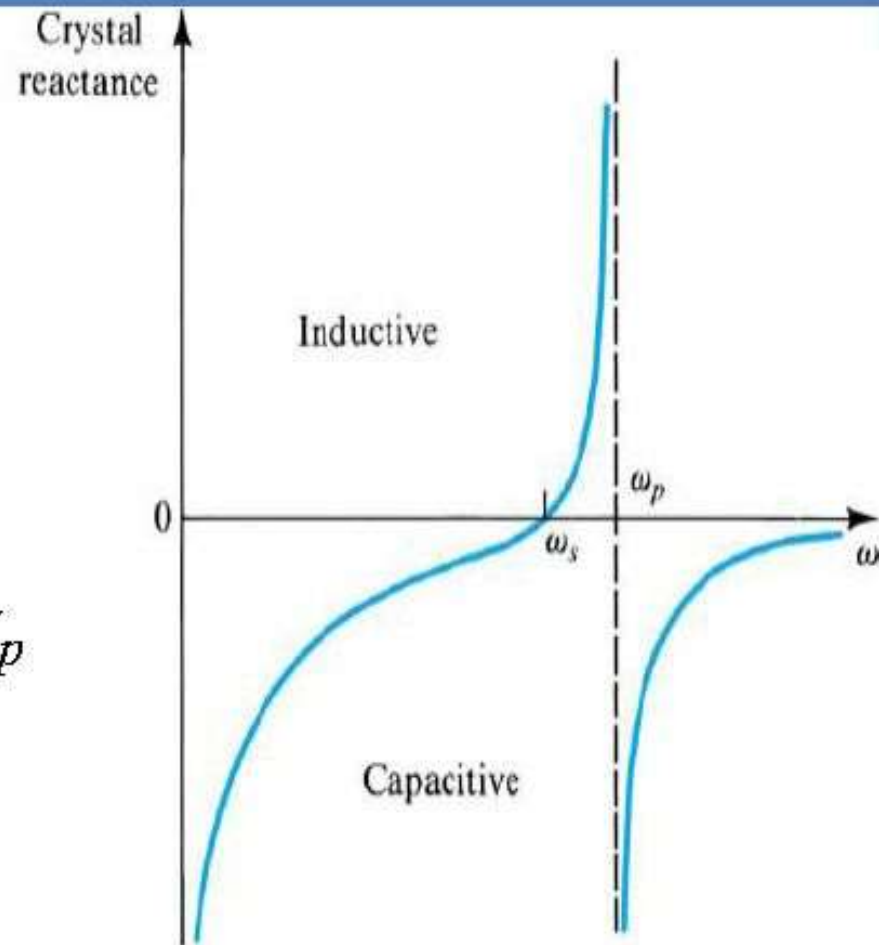
we see that the crystal has two resonance

a series resonance at  $\omega_s$

$$\omega_s = 1 / \sqrt{LC_s}$$

a parallel resonance at  $\omega_p$

$$\omega_p = 1 / \sqrt{L \left( \frac{C_s C_p}{C_s + C_p} \right)}$$



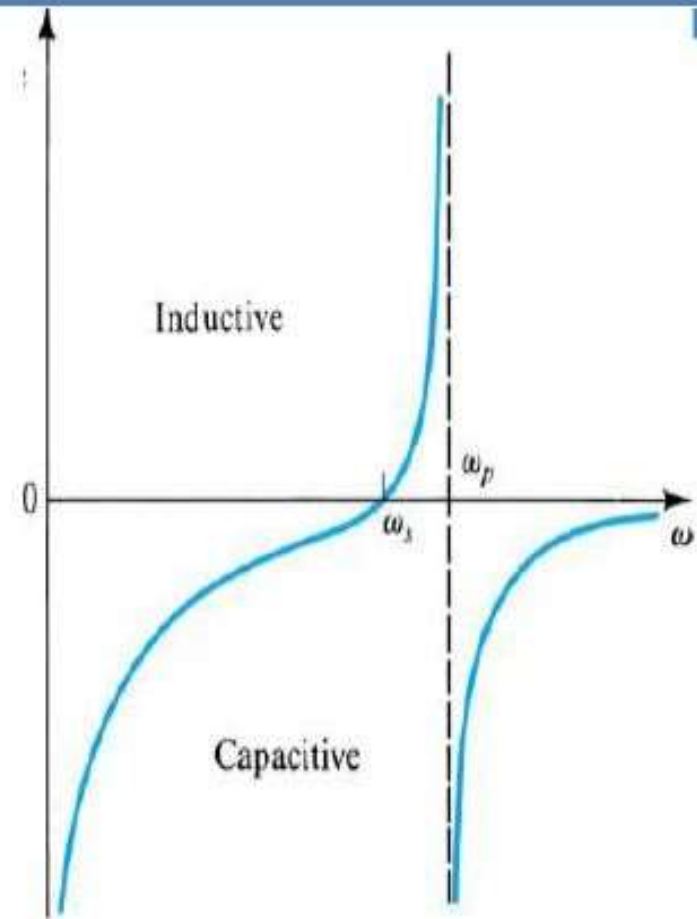
# Piezoelectric Crystal Oscillator

For  $s = j\omega$  we can write

$$Z(j\omega) = -j \frac{1}{\omega C_p} \left( \frac{\omega^2 - \omega_s^2}{\omega^2 - \omega_p^2} \right)$$

The two resonance frequencies are very close when

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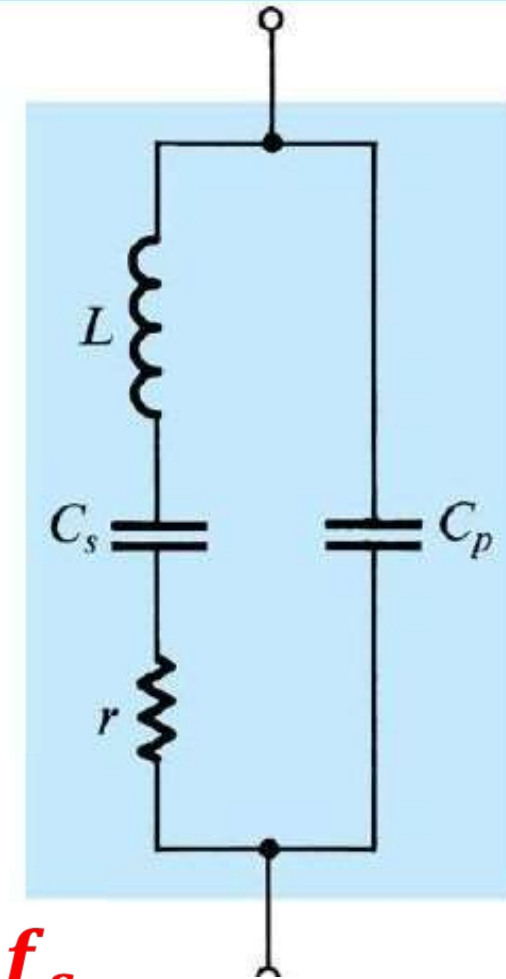
$$C_p \gg C_s$$

$$\omega_0 \simeq 1/\sqrt{LC_s} = \omega_s$$

**Quality Factor (Q)**

$$Q = \frac{\omega_o L}{r}$$

$$\omega_o = 2\pi f_o = 2\pi f_s$$



$$Z = \frac{-jX_p[jX_L - jX_s]}{-jX_p + jX_L - jX_s} = \frac{X_pX_L - X_pX_s}{j[X_L - X_p - X_s]}$$

We have two resonance frequencies:

### 1. Series Resonance Frequency ( $Z=r=0$ )

$$X_pX_L - X_pX_s = 0$$

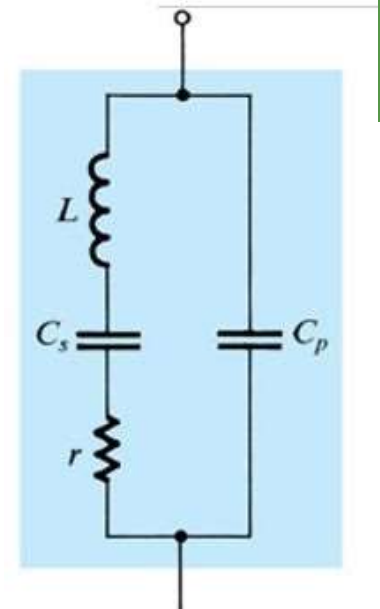
$$X_pX_L = X_pX_s$$

$$X_L = X_s$$

$$\omega_s L = \frac{1}{\omega_s C_s}$$

$$\omega_s = \frac{1}{\sqrt{L C_s}}$$

$$f_s = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{L C_s}}$$



$$Z = \frac{-jX_p[jX_L - jX_s]}{-jX_p + jX_L - jX_s} = \frac{X_pX_L - X_pX_s}{j[X_L - X_p - X_s]}$$

## 2. Parallel Resonance Frequency ( $Z = \infty$ )

$$X_L - X_p - X_s = 0$$

$$X_L = X_p - X_s$$

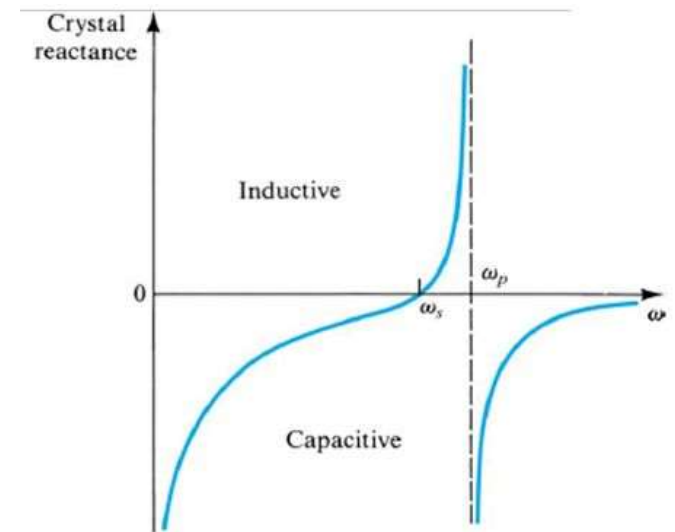
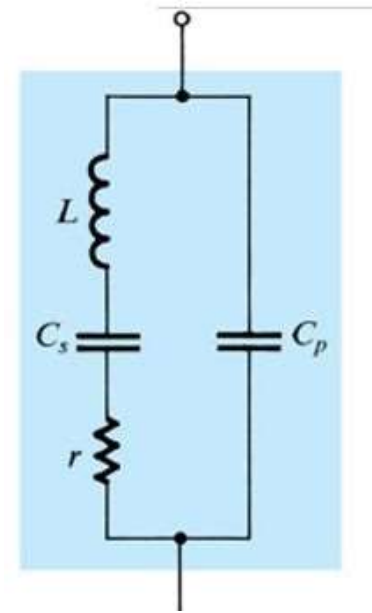
$$\omega_p L = \frac{1}{\omega_p C_s} + \frac{1}{\omega_p C_p}$$

$$\omega_p^2 L = \frac{1}{C_s} + \frac{1}{C_p} = \frac{C_p + C_s}{C_p C_s} = \frac{1}{\frac{C_p C_s}{C_p + C_s}}$$

$$\omega_p^2 = \frac{1}{L \left[ \frac{C_p C_s}{C_p + C_s} \right]}$$

$$f_p = \frac{1}{2\pi \sqrt{L \left[ \frac{C_p C_s}{C_p + C_s} \right]}}$$

Since  $C_s \ll C_p$ , then,  $f_p \approx f_s$





## Example:

Design a 5MHz crystal oscillator with  $C_s = 0.0005$  PF ,  $C_p = 10$ PF,  
 $R = 120\Omega$  and  $L = 2$ H.

1. Calculate The Series-Resonance Frequency ( $f_s$ ).
2. Calculate The Parallel-Resonance Frequency ( $f_p$ ).
3. Claculate the quality factor (Q).





## Solution:

1. Calculate The Series-Resonance Frequency ( $f_s$ ).

$$f_s = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{L C_s}} = 5.0329 \text{ MHz}$$

2. Calculate The Parallel-Resonance Frequency ( $f_p$ ).

$$f_p = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{L\left[\frac{C_p C_s}{C_p + C_s}\right]}} = 5.033 \text{ MHz}$$

3. Calculate the quality factor (Q).

$$Q = \frac{\omega_o L}{r} = \frac{2\pi f_o L}{r}, \quad f_o = 5 \text{ MHz}$$

$$Q = 524000.$$



A Pierce crystal oscillator utilizing a CMOS inverter as an amplifier.

