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# Lab 4: Frequency Domain Circuits

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## Key Concepts:

- ❖ Decibels (dB)
- ❖ Steady-state signals; Fourier series
- ❖ Complex impedances
- ❖ Low-pass and high-pass filters
- ❖ Frequency response
- ❖ Time domain vs. frequency domain
- ❖ Fourier transform, Fast Fourier Transform (FFT)



# Decibels

$$\text{Ratio} = P_2/P_1 \quad (\text{linear})$$

$$\text{Ratio (dB)} = 10 \log_{10}(P_2/P_1) \quad (\text{dB})$$

$$P_{\text{out}} = 10 P_{\text{in}} \Rightarrow \text{Gain} = 10 \log_{10}\left(\frac{10 P_{\text{in}}}{P_{\text{in}}}\right) = 10 \text{ dB}$$

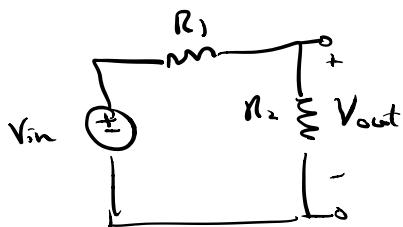
$$P_{\text{out}} = 0.1 P_{\text{in}} \Rightarrow \text{Gain} = 10 \log_{10}\left(\frac{0.1 P_{\text{in}}}{P_{\text{in}}}\right) = -10 \text{ dB}$$

$$P_{\text{out}} = P_{\text{in}} \quad = 10 \log_{10}(1) = 0 \text{ dB}$$

$$P_{\text{out}} = 0.5 P_{\text{in}} \Rightarrow \quad = 10 \log_{10}(0.5) = -3 \text{ dB}$$

$$\log x^n = n \log x$$

$$\log x^2 = 2 \log x$$



$$P = V^2/R$$

$$P_{\text{out}} = V_{\text{out}}^2/R \Rightarrow 10 \log_{10}\left(\frac{V_{\text{out}}^2/R}{V_{\text{in}}^2/R}\right) = 10 \log_{10}\left(\frac{V_{\text{out}}^2}{V_{\text{in}}^2}\right)$$

$$P_{\text{in}} = V_{\text{in}}^2/R$$

$$= 20 \log_{10}\left(\frac{V_{\text{out}}}{V_{\text{in}}}\right)$$

$$\frac{V_{\text{out}}}{V_{\text{in}}} \quad (\text{dB})?$$

## Decibels cont.

$$\frac{P_{\max}}{P_{\min}} = \text{Dynamic Range (linear)}$$

$$10 \log_{10} \left( \frac{P_{\max}}{P_{\min}} \right) = \text{DR } (\text{dB})$$

$$20 \log_{10} \left( \frac{V_{\max}}{V_{\min}} = \frac{10V}{0.1mV} \right) = 100 \text{ dB} \rightarrow 5 \text{ orders of magnitude}$$

$\text{dBW}$  : decibels relative to  $1W$  :  $10 \log_{10} \frac{P_1}{1W} \xrightarrow{100W} = 20 \text{ dBW}$

$\text{dBV}$  : dB relative to  $1V$  :  $20 \log_{10} \left( \frac{V_1}{1V} \xrightarrow{10V} \right) = 20 \text{ dBV}$

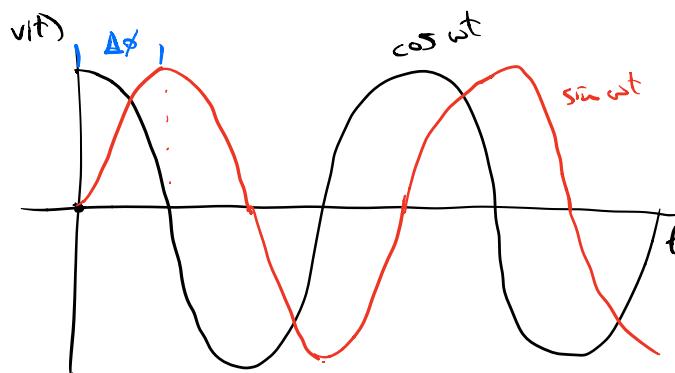
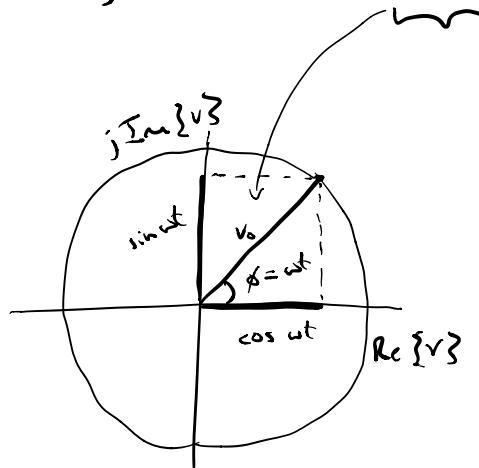
$\text{dB V}_{\text{rms}}$

$\text{dBm}$  : dB relative to  $1 \text{ mW}$  :  $P = 1W = 10 \log_{10} \frac{1W}{1 \text{ mW}} = 30 \text{ dBm}$

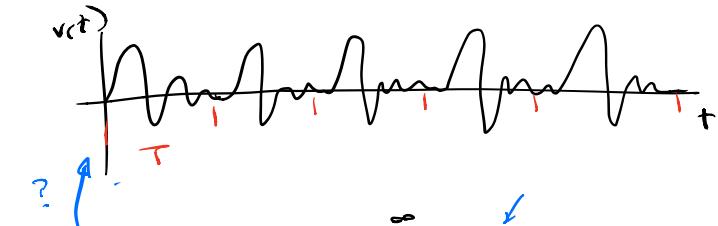
# Steady-state signals

- AC source ; circuit is turned on, allowed to "settle" to "steady state"

$$\text{signal} = v(t) = V_0 e^{j\omega t} = V_0 (\cos \omega t + j \sin \omega t) \quad \checkmark$$



# Fourier Series



$$v(t) = a_0 + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (a_i \cos \omega_i t + b_i \sin \omega_i t) = a_0 + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} c_i e^{(j\omega_i t + \phi_i)}$$

$a_0$  = DC component offset

$$\omega_i = \text{frequencies} = i \frac{2\pi}{T}$$

$$v(t) \rightarrow a_0, a_i, b_i$$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T v(t) dt$$

$$a_i = \frac{2}{T} \int_0^T v(t) \cos \omega_i t dt$$

Any periodic signal can be decomposed into a sum of sinusoids

$$\underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} c_i e^{(j\omega_i t + \phi_i)}}_{c_i = \sqrt{a_i^2 + b_i^2}, \phi_i = -\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{b_i}{a_i}\right)}$$

$$c_i = \sqrt{a_i^2 + b_i^2}$$

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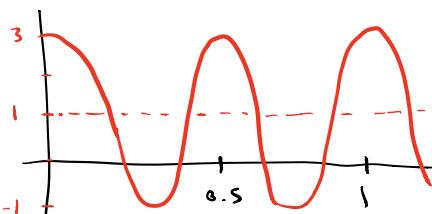
$$b_i = \frac{2}{T} \int_0^T v(t) \sin \omega_i t dt$$

# Fourier Series Example 1

$$v(t) = 1 + 2 \cos(4\pi t)$$

$\omega = 4\pi$

$$\tau = \frac{2\pi}{\omega} = \frac{2\pi}{4\pi} = 0.5$$



$$a_0 = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T v(t) dt = 1$$

$\omega_i = \frac{2\pi}{T}$

$$a_i = \frac{2}{T} \int_0^T (1 + 2 \cos 4\pi t) (\cos \omega_i t) dt$$

$$a_1 = \frac{2}{T} \int_0^T (1 + 2 \cos 4\pi t) \cos 4\pi t dt = 2$$

$$b_1 = \frac{2}{T} \int_0^T (1 + 2 \cos 4\pi t) \sin 4\pi t dt = 0$$

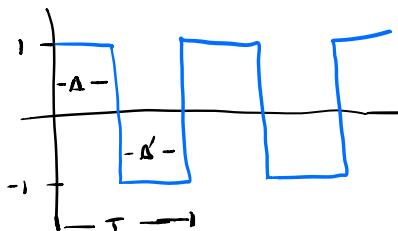
$$\underline{a_2, b_2, a_3, b_3, \dots = 0}$$

$$v(t) = a_0 + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (a_i \cos \omega_i t + b_i \sin \omega_i t)$$

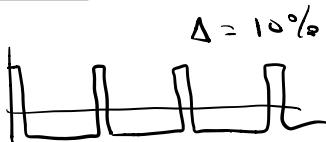
$$= \underline{1 + 2 \cos 4\pi t + 0 \sin 4\pi t}$$

$$+ 0 \cos 8\pi t + 0 \sin 8\pi t \dots$$

## Example 2: Square wave

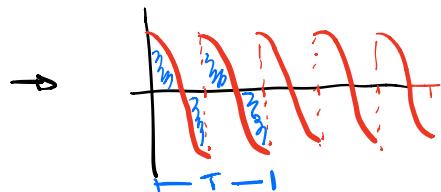
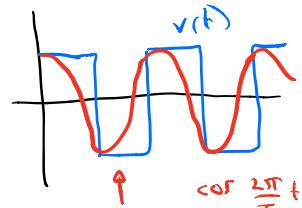


$$\Delta = 50\% \quad Q_0 = 0$$

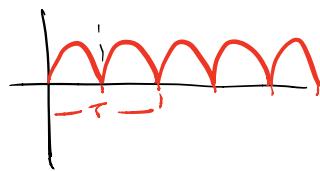
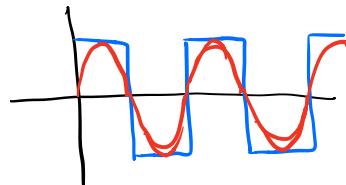


$$a_1 = \frac{2}{T} \int_0^T v(t) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{T}t\right) dt$$

$$= 0 \quad a_i = 0 \text{ for all } i$$



$$b_1 = \frac{2}{T} \int_0^T v(t) \sin\frac{2\pi}{T}t dt$$



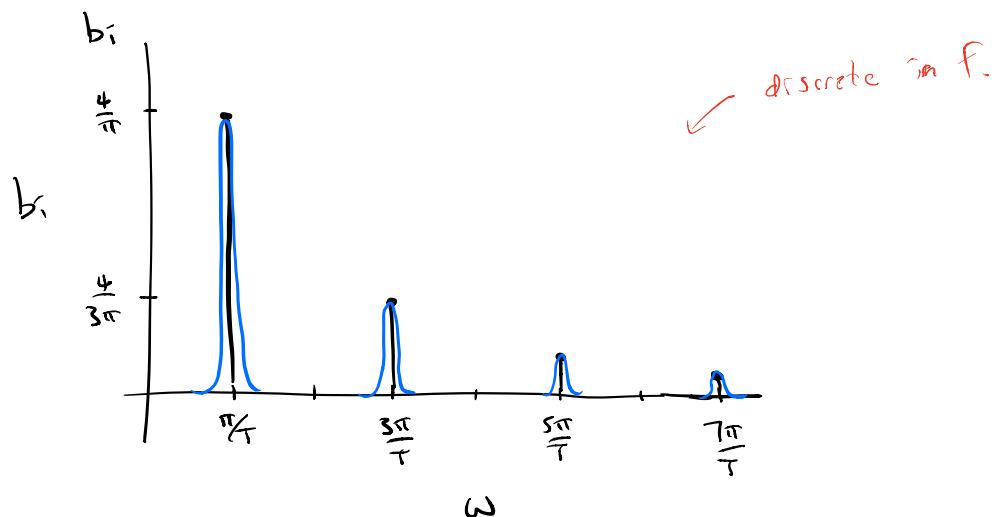
$$b_1 = \frac{2}{T} \left[ 2 \int_0^{T/2} \sin\frac{2\pi}{T}t dt \right] = \frac{4}{\pi}$$

$$b_i = 0 \text{ for all even } i$$

# Square Wave cont.

General solution

$$v(t) = \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{i=odd}^{\infty} \frac{1}{i} \sin\left(\frac{i\pi t}{T}\right)$$



# Fourier Series

- ❖ Square wave is sum of odd harmonics
- ❖ More harmonics included - closer to the truth!

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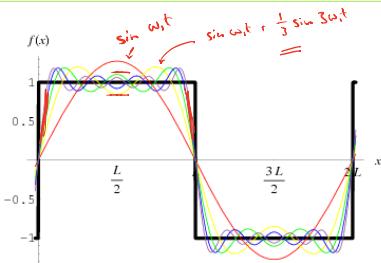
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### Fourier Series--Square Wave

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Consider a square wave  $f(x)$  of length  $2L$ . Over the range  $[0, 2L]$ , this can be written as

$$f(x) = 2[H(x/L) - H(x/L - 1)] - 1, \quad (1)$$

where  $H(x)$  is the Heaviside step function. Since  $f(x) = f(2L - x)$ , the function is odd, so  $a_0 = a_n = 0$ , and

$$b_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^{2L} f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx \quad (2)$$

reduces to

$$b_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx \quad (3)$$

$$= \frac{4}{n\pi} \sin^2\left(\frac{1}{2} n\pi\right) \quad (4)$$

$$= \frac{2}{n\pi} [1 - (-1)^n] \quad (5)$$

$$= \frac{4}{n\pi} \begin{cases} 0 & n \text{ even} \\ 1 & n \text{ odd.} \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

The Fourier series is therefore

$$f(x) = \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{n=1,3,5,\dots}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right). \quad (7)$$

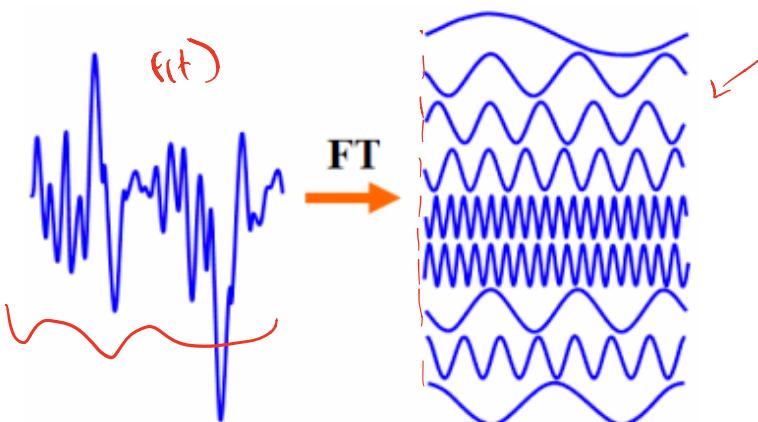


# Fourier Transform

- ❖ Fourier transform is sort-of the continuous (in frequency!) version of Fourier series; rather than sum, it uses integral
- ❖ Operates on any function (Fourier series only works for periodic functions)
- ❖ Fourier transform gives spectrum - separates signal into all of its component frequencies!
- ❖ Determined the magnitude and phase of each component (i.e., each frequency, from  $f = -\infty$  to  $\infty$ )

$$F(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) e^{-i\omega t} dt$$
  

$$f(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(\omega) e^{i\omega t} d\omega$$



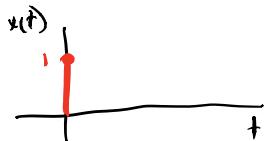
# Fourier Transforms

Fourier transform of any signal  $x(t)$  is given by

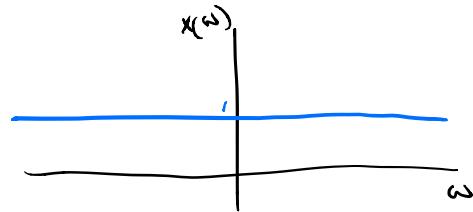
$$X(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt \quad \text{if } x(t) \text{ is in volts, } X(\omega) \text{ is in units of V·s or } V/\text{Hz}$$

inverse FT:  $x(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(\omega) e^{+j\omega t} d\omega$

example 1:  $x(t) = \delta(t)$



$$X(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt = 1 \quad \text{because } \delta(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & t=0 \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$



## More examples

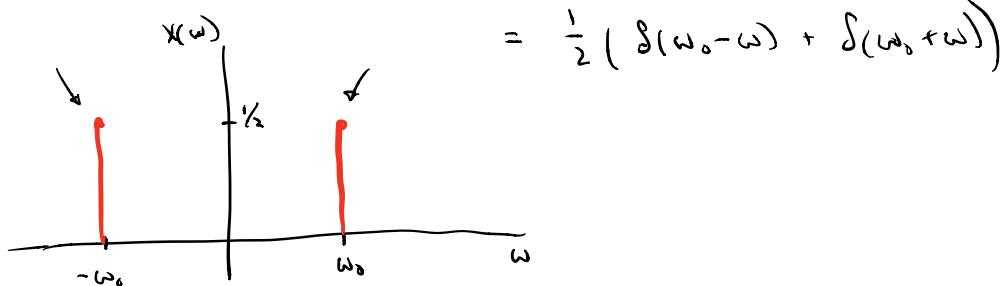
example 2:  $x(t) = 1$

$$x(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} 1 \cdot e^{-j\omega t} dt = \delta(\omega), \text{ because } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-j\omega t} dt = \begin{cases} 1, & \omega = 0 \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

$\delta(t) \Leftrightarrow 1$  form a Fourier transform pair.

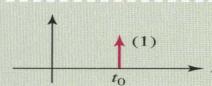
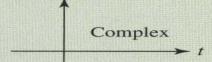
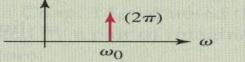
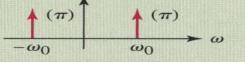
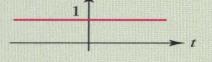
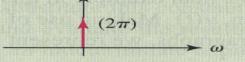
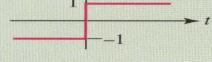
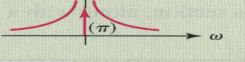
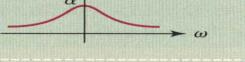
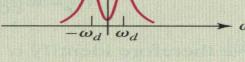
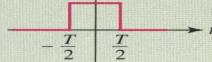
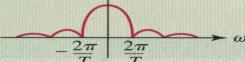
example 3:  $x(t) = \cos \omega_0 t$

$$\begin{aligned} x(\omega) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \cos \omega_0 t e^{-j\omega t} dt \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left( \frac{e^{j\omega_0 t} + e^{-j\omega_0 t}}{2} \right) e^{-j\omega t} dt = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left( e^{j(\omega - \omega_0)t} + e^{-j(\omega + \omega_0)t} \right) dt \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (\delta(\omega_0 - \omega) + \delta(\omega_0 + \omega)) \end{aligned}$$



# Fourier transform pairs

TABLE 18.2 A Summary of Some Fourier Transform Pairs

| $f(t)$  | $\mathcal{F}\{f(t)\} = F(j\omega)$          | $ F(j\omega) $  |
|---|---|---|
|    | $\delta(t - t_0)$                           |    |
|    | $e^{j\omega_0 t}$                           |    |
|    | $\cos \omega_0 t$                           |    |
|    | $1$   |    |
|    | $\text{sgn}(t)$                             |    |
|    | $u(t)$                                      |    |
|    | $e^{-\alpha t} u(t)$                        |    |
|    | $[e^{-\alpha t} \cos \omega_d t] u(t)$      |    |
|  | $u(t + \frac{1}{2}T) - u(t - \frac{1}{2}T)$ |  |

# Fourier Transform of derivative:

Fourier transform of  $\frac{dx(t)}{dt}$ :

if  $\mathcal{F}(x(t)) \rightarrow X(\omega)$ ,

$$\mathcal{F}\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{dt} e^{-j\omega t} dt$$

integrate by parts  $\int u dv = uv - \int v du$

$$u = e^{-j\omega t}$$

$$dv = \frac{dx}{dt} dt, \quad v = x, \quad du = -j\omega e^{-j\omega t} dt$$

$$= x(t) e^{-j\omega t} \Big|_{t=-\infty}^{\infty} - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) (-j\omega e^{-j\omega t}) dt$$

v · u      v du

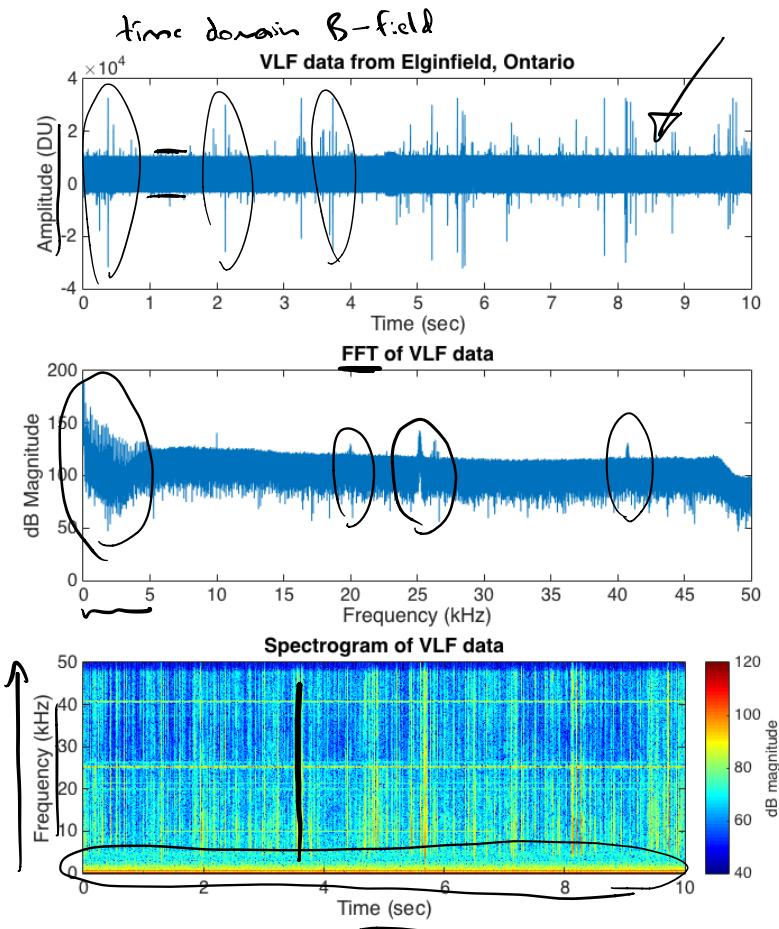
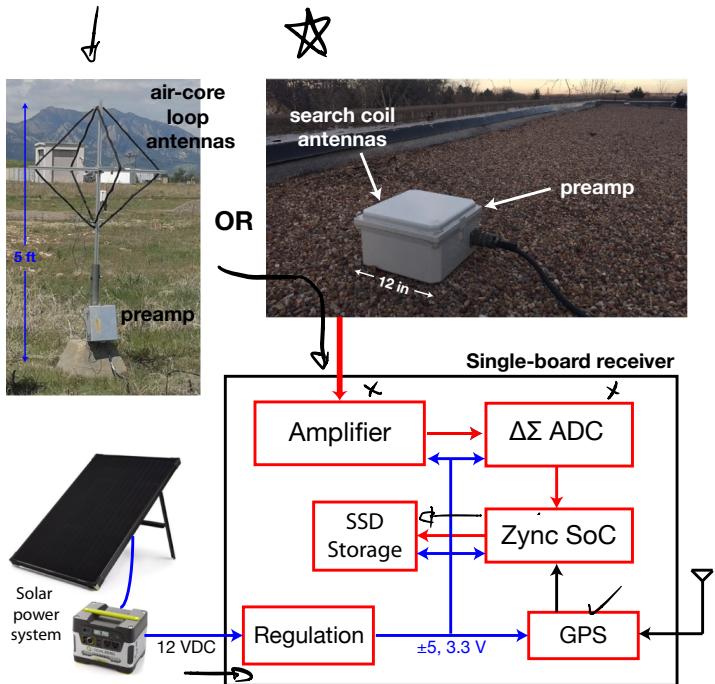
*assuming*  
 $x(t) \rightarrow 0$   
 $\omega t \rightarrow \pm \infty$

$$= 0 + j\omega \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt$$

x(t)

$$= j\omega X(\omega)$$

# A real Fourier transform



# Comparing Fourier Series and Transform

FS:  $\underline{x(t)} = \underline{a_0} + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} c_i e^{j\omega t} = \underline{a_0} + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (a_i \cos \omega_i t + b_i \sin \omega_i t)$

P  
volts

domain: discrete frequencies

units: volts

signal: must be periodic

FT:  $\underline{x(\omega)} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt \Rightarrow \underline{x(t)} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\omega) e^{j\omega t} d\omega$

domain: continuous in freq

units: V/Hz or V·s

signal: any

# Comparing Laplace and Fourier Transform

$$\text{LT: } X(s) = \int_{0}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-st} dt$$
$$s = \sigma + j\omega$$

$\uparrow$   
 $\text{Re}\{s\}$

$\uparrow$   
 $\text{Im}\{\omega\}$

$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{units} \\ \text{domain} \\ \text{signal} \end{array} \right\} \text{same}$

$$\text{FT: } X(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt$$

# Discrete Fourier Transform and Fast Fourier Transform

$$X(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt$$

DFT:  $\tilde{X}_k = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x_n e^{-j2\pi kn/N}$

$N$  = total number of samples  
 $n$  = index in time of  $x$   
 $k$  = index in freq of  $X$

FFT = Fast Fourier Transform

# Complex Impedances

if my signal is  $v(t) = V_0 e^{j\omega t}$ ,  $i(t) = I_0 e^{j\omega t}$

Resistor:  $v(t) = i(t) \cdot R$

$$V(\omega) = I(\omega) \cdot R$$

$$\frac{V(\omega)}{I(\omega)} = Z_R(\omega) = R$$

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

$$I(\omega) = C \cdot j\omega V(\omega)$$

$$\frac{V(\omega)}{I(\omega)} = Z_C(\omega) = \frac{1}{j\omega C} = \frac{-j}{\omega C}$$

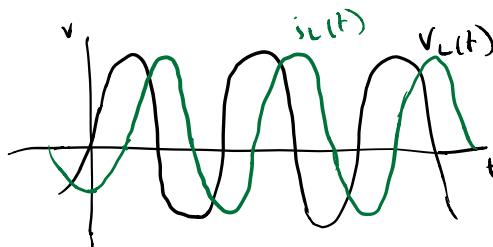
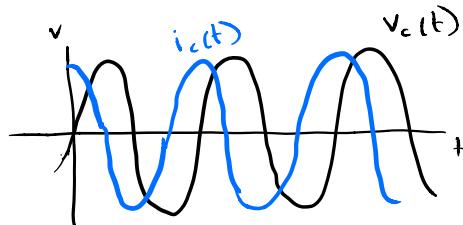
Inductor:

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

$$V(\omega) = L \cdot j\omega I(\omega)$$

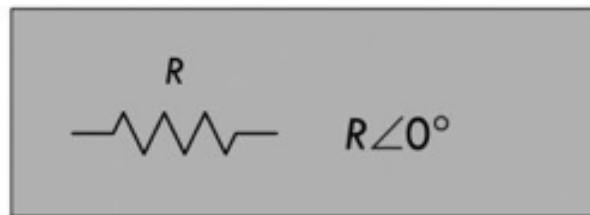
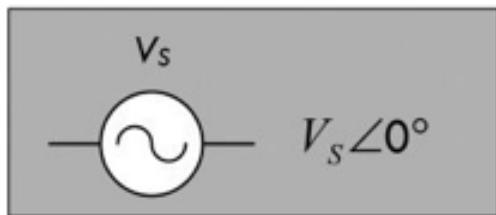
$$\frac{V(\omega)}{I(\omega)} = Z_L(\omega) = j\omega L$$

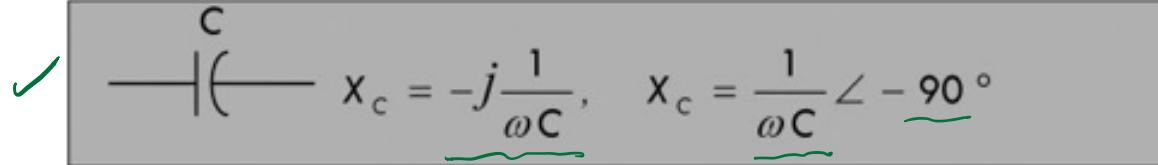
capacitor: current leads voltage by  $90^\circ$



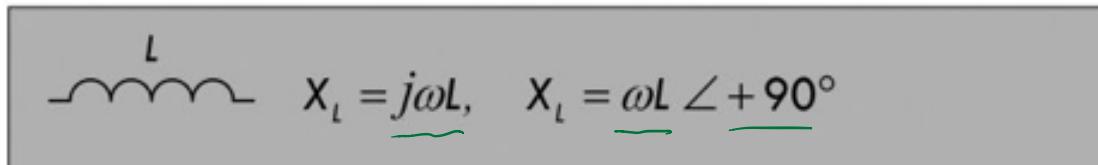
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# Complex Impedances

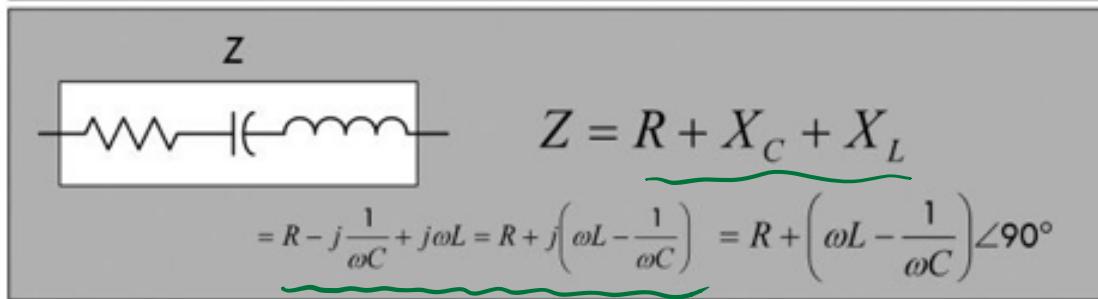




✓  $C$   
 $X_c = -j \frac{1}{\omega C}, \quad X_c = \frac{1}{\omega C} \angle -90^\circ$

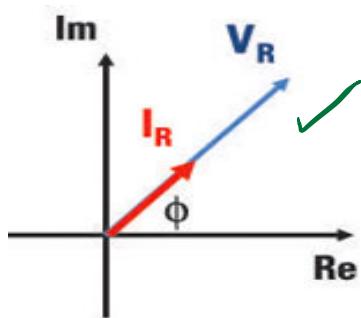


$L$   
 $X_L = j\omega L, \quad X_L = \omega L \angle +90^\circ$



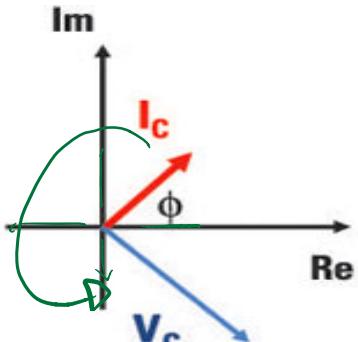
↗  $Z$   
 $Z = R + X_C + X_L$   
 $= R - j \frac{1}{\omega C} + j\omega L = R + j \left( \omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C} \right) = R + \left( \omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C} \right) \angle 90^\circ$

# Complex Impedance Phase delay



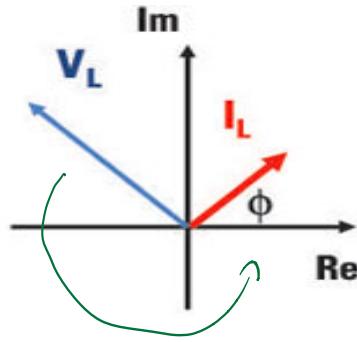
**Resistor**

Voltage in phase with current



**Capacitor**

Voltage lags current by  $90^\circ$

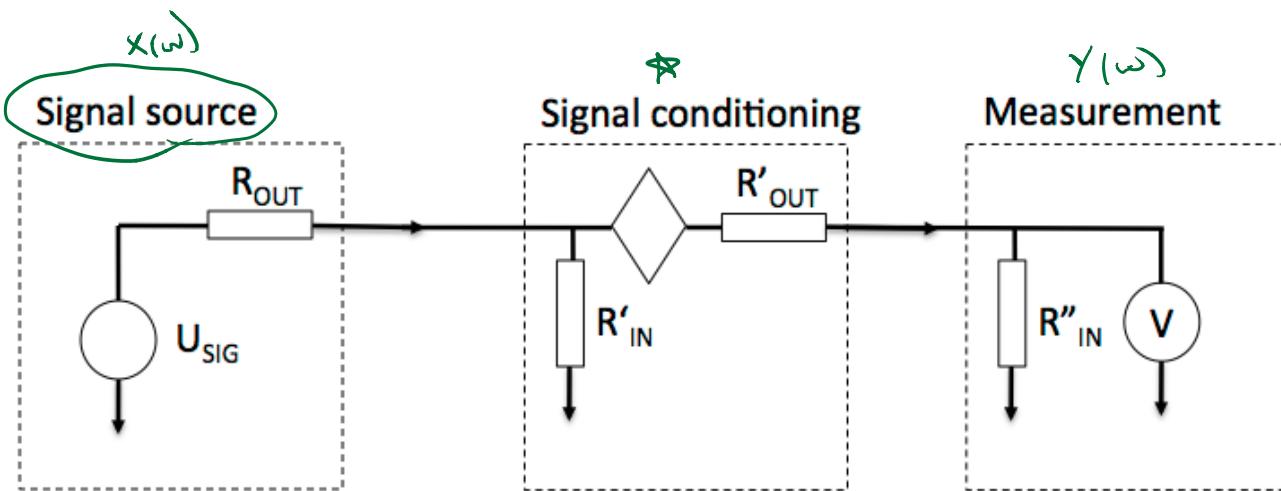


**Inductor**

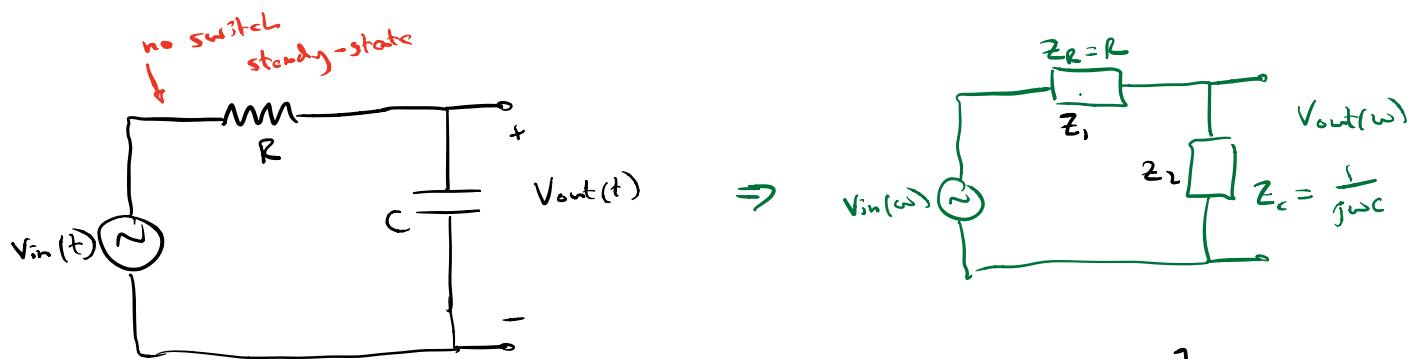
Voltage leads current by  $90^\circ$

# Signal Conditioning (again)

- ♦ Level shifting
- ♦ Gain / attenuation
- ★ ♦ **Filtering**
- ♦ Buffering
- ♦ Impedance conversion



# Voltage Divider



$$V_{out}(\omega) = V_{in}(\omega) \cdot \left[ \frac{Z_2}{Z_1 + Z_2} = \frac{\frac{1}{j\omega C}}{R + \frac{1}{j\omega C}} = \frac{1}{1 + j\omega RC} \right]$$

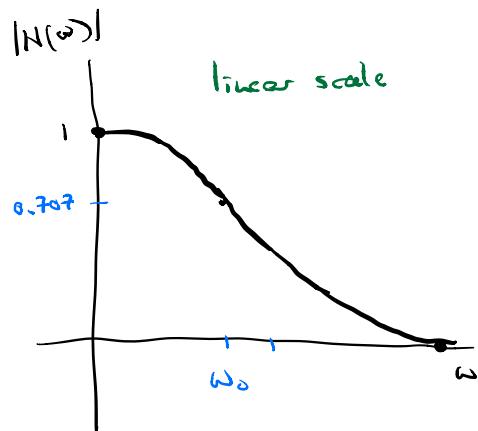
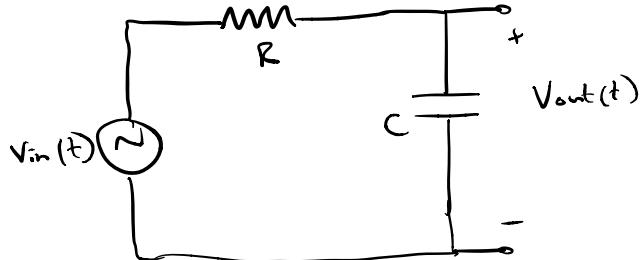
$$\frac{V_{out}(\omega)}{V_{in}(\omega)} = H(\omega) = \frac{1}{1 + j\omega RC} \quad \text{is the transfer function}$$

$$H(\omega) = |H(\omega)| e^{j\phi(\omega)}$$

$$|H(\omega)| = (H(\omega) \cdot H^*(\omega))^{1/2} \quad \text{magnitude response}$$

$$\phi(\omega) = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\text{Im}\{H(\omega)\}}{\text{Re}\{H(\omega)\}} \right) \quad \text{phase response}$$

# Voltage Divider cont. $\Rightarrow$ Magnitude Response.



$$\left| \frac{V_{out}(\omega)}{V_{in}(\omega)} \right| = |H(\omega)| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \omega^2 R^2 C^2}}$$

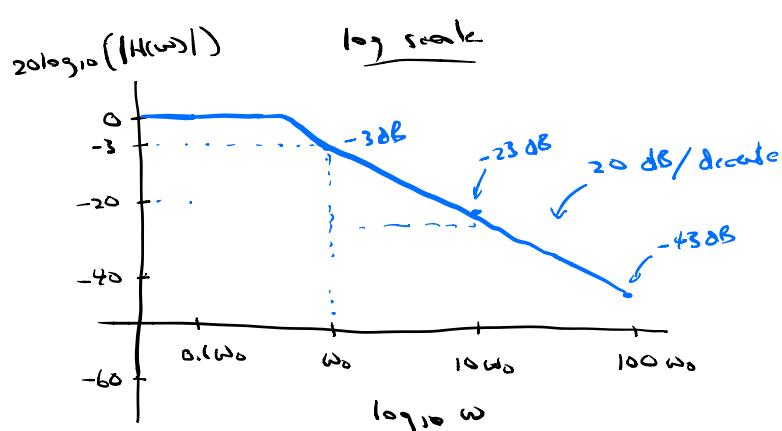
$$\phi(\omega) = -\tan^{-1}(\omega RC)$$

$\uparrow$   
 $2\pi f$   
at  $\omega = 0$ ,  $|H(\omega)| = 1$

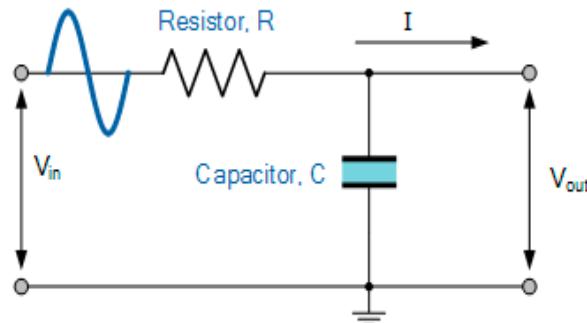
at  $\omega \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $|H(\omega)| = 0$

at  $\omega_0 = 1/RC$ ,  $|H(\omega)| = 1/\sqrt{2}$

$\omega_0$  = cutoff freq. or  $-3\text{ dB}$  frequency



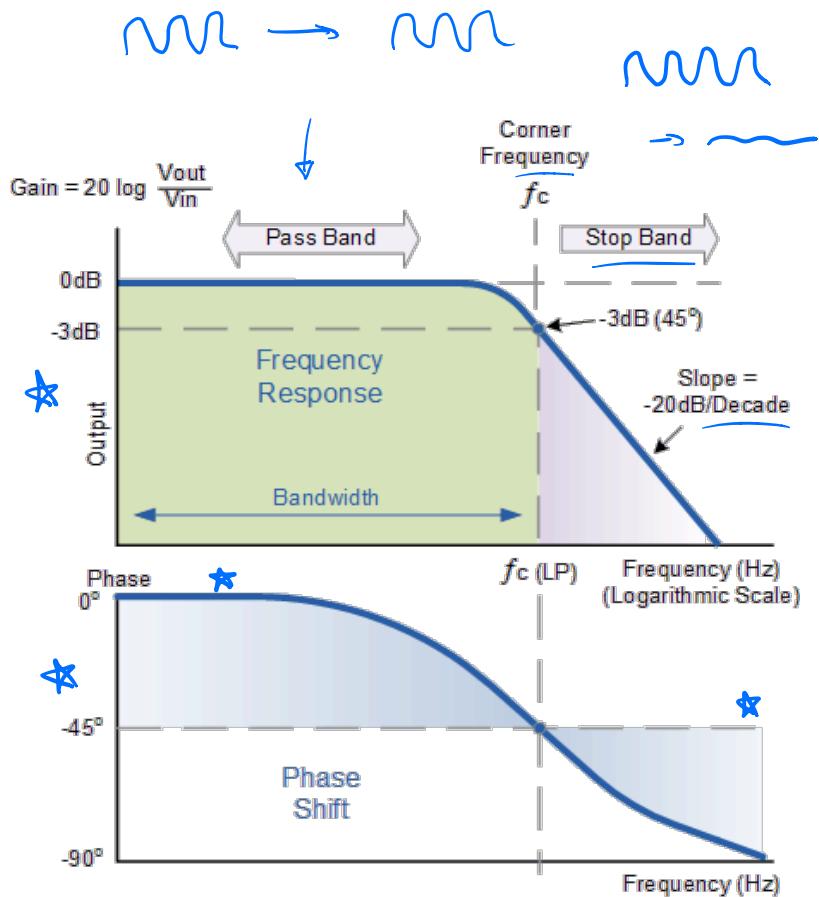
# Low-pass filter



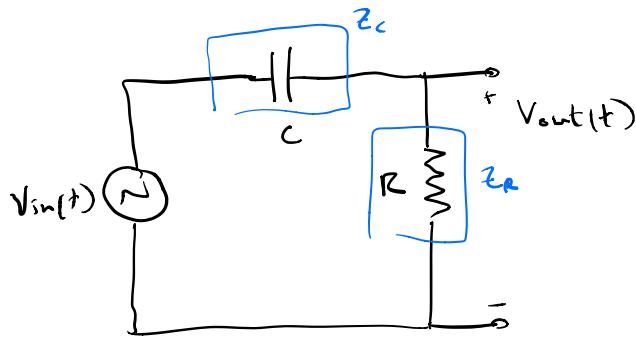
$$\frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} = \frac{Z_C}{Z_R + Z_C} = \frac{\frac{1}{j\omega C}}{R + \frac{1}{j\omega C}} = \frac{1}{1 + j\omega RC} = H(\omega)$$



$$\left| \frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} \right| = \left| \frac{1}{1 + j\omega RC} \right| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \omega^2 R^2 C^2}}$$



# What about this one?



$$\text{at } \omega = 0 : |H(\omega)| = 0$$

$$\text{at } \omega \rightarrow \infty : |H(\omega)| = 1$$

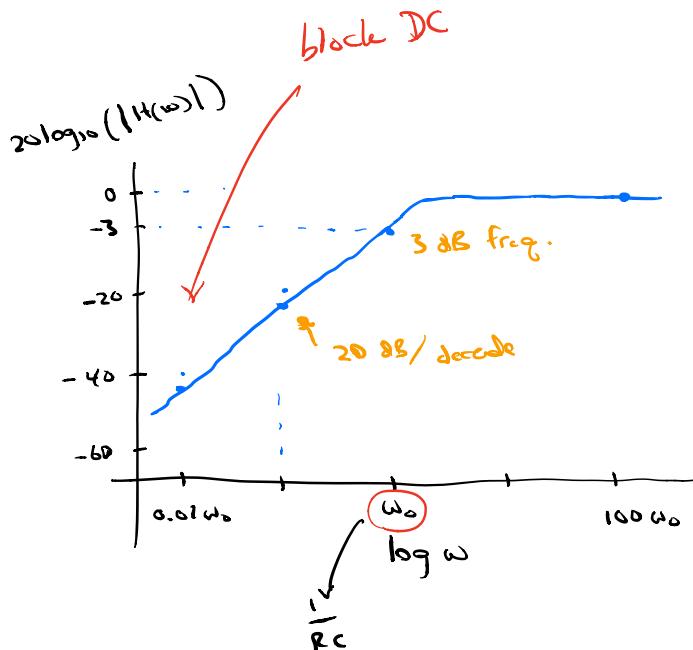
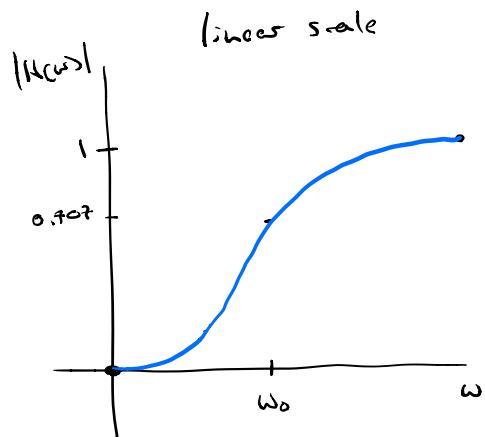
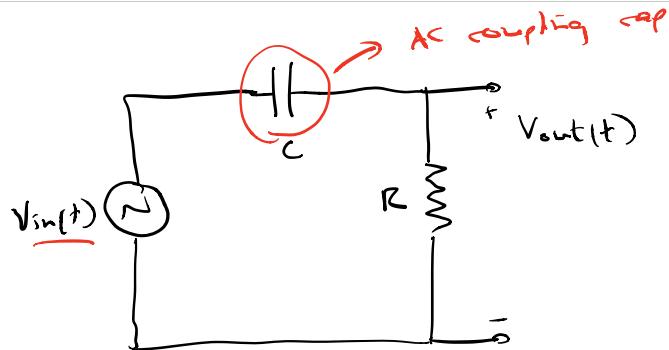
$$\text{at } \omega = 1/Rc : |H(\omega)| = 1/\sqrt{2}$$

$$\frac{V_{out}(\omega)}{V_{in}(\omega)} = H(\omega) = \frac{R}{R + \frac{1}{j\omega C}} = \frac{j\omega RC}{1 + j\omega RC}$$

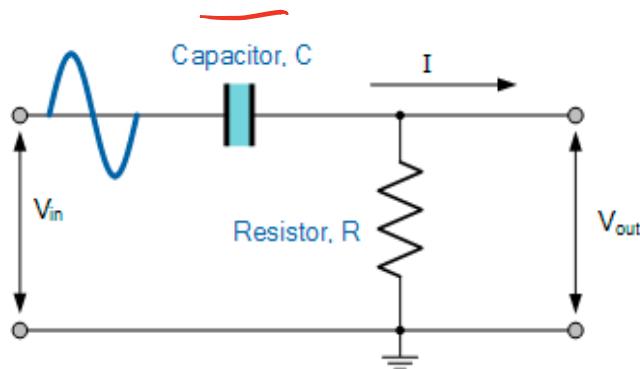
magnitude :  $|H(\omega)| = \frac{\omega RC}{\sqrt{1 + \omega^2 R^2 C^2}}$

$$\phi(\omega) = \tan^{-1}(\omega RC)$$

# High-pass filter cont.

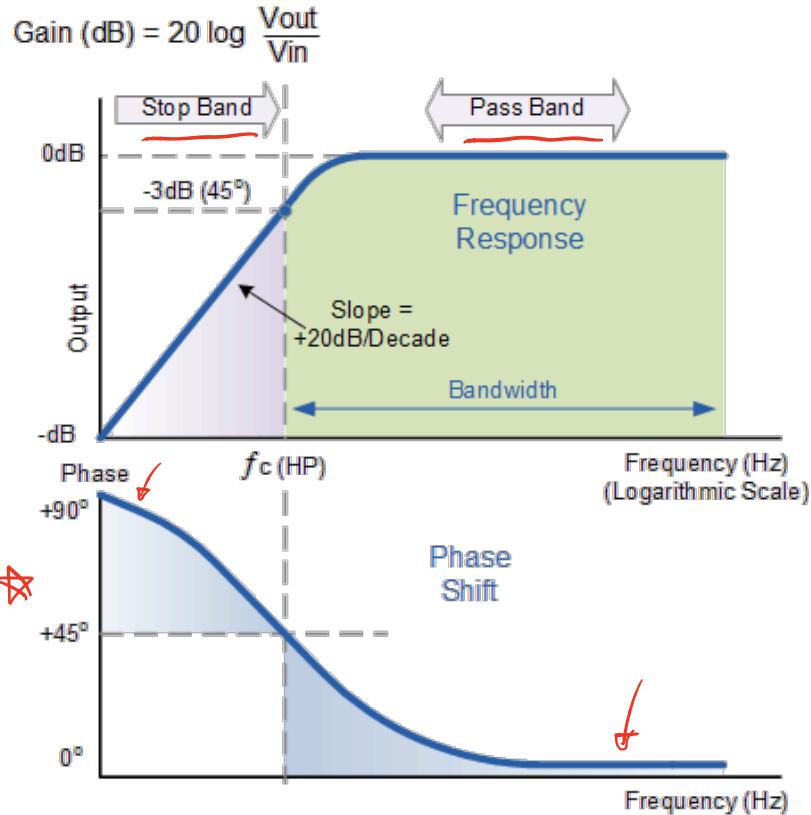


# High-pass filter

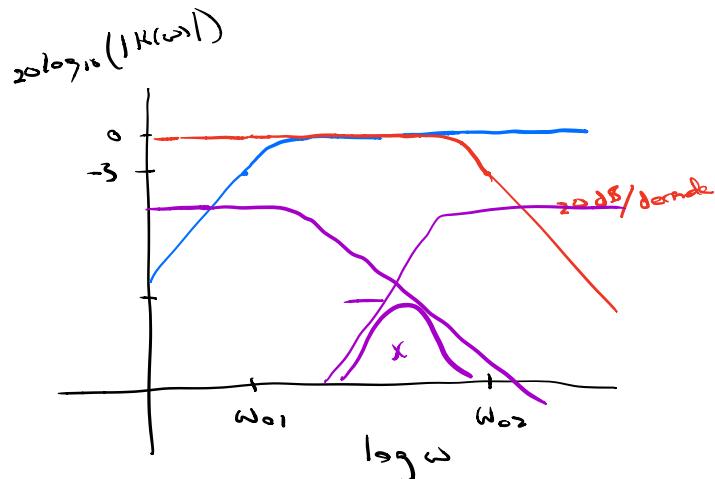
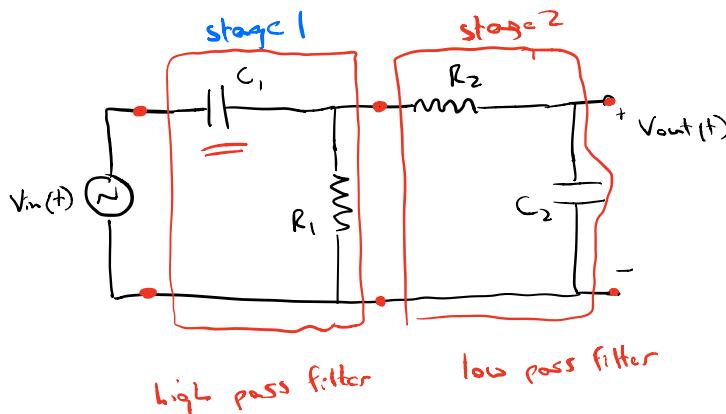


$$\frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN}} = H(\omega) = \frac{j\omega RC}{1 + j\omega RC}$$

$$\left| \frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN}} \right| = \frac{\omega RC}{\sqrt{1 + \omega^2 R^2 C^2}}$$



# What about this one??



$$|H(\omega)| = |H_1(\omega)| \cdot |H_2(\omega)|$$

$$|H(\omega)| = \frac{\omega R_1 C_1}{\sqrt{1 + \omega^2 R_1^2 C_1^2}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \omega^2 R_2^2 C_2^2}}$$

at  $\omega = 0$  :  $|H(\omega)| = 0$

at  $\omega = \infty$  :  $|H(\omega)| = 0$

at  $\omega_{01} = \sqrt{R_1 C_1}$  :  $|H(\omega)| = \sqrt{R_2}$   
 $\omega_{02} = \sqrt{R_2 C_2}$  :  $= \sqrt{R_2}$

} if  
R, C  
chosen  
carefully

