



MECH 10 Fundamentals of Electronics



- Capacitive Reactance
 - A capacitor's opposition to changes in voltage
 - Characteristics
 - Inversely proportional to frequency & capacitance
 - A frequency dependent resistor
 - Applications
 - Motor starting circuits
 - Frequency filters

V	_	1
Λ_{C}	_	$2\pi fC$

Where;

 X_C = capacitive reactance (Ω) $2\pi f$ = angular velocity (rad/sec) f = frequency (Hz)

C = capacitance (F)

Name	Unit symbol	Quantity	Symbol	
capacitive reactance	X _C	Ohms	Ω	3



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Capacitive Reactance

- Circuit Examples
 - Find X_C



$$X_C = \frac{1}{2\pi f C}$$

$$X_C = \frac{1}{2\pi \times 30 \times 0.01 \mu F}$$

$$X_C = ???\Omega$$

$$X_C = \frac{1}{2\pi fC}$$

$$X_C = \frac{1}{2\pi \times 60 \times 0.01 \mu F}$$

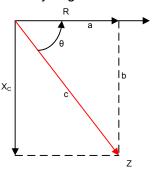
$$X_C = ???\Omega$$

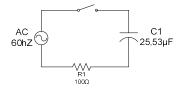


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- Capacitive Reactance
 - Impedance
 - R_T ≠ X_C + R1
 - Vector addition required
 - Pythagorean Theorem





$$X_C = \frac{1}{2\pi fC} = 104\Omega$$

$$R1 = 100\Omega$$

$$Z = \sqrt{R^2 + X_C^2}$$

$$Z = \sqrt{100^2 + 104^2}$$

$$Z = ??\Omega$$

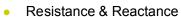
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- Capacitive Reactance
 - Impedance the total opposition to current flow in an AC circuit



- Vector addition
- For all reactive circuits!

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AC 50hZ	7	C1 25.53µF
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$$R1 = 100\Omega$$

$$Z = \sqrt{R^2 + X_C^2}$$

$$Z = \sqrt{100^2 + 104^2}$$

$$Z = ??\Omega$$

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impedance	Z	Ohms	Ω

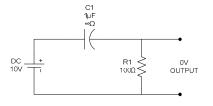
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 - High Pass Filters Series RC

Frequency dependent resistor!



$$X_{C} = \frac{1}{2\pi fC}$$

$$X_{C} = \frac{1}{2 \times \pi \times 0 \times 1 \mu F}$$

$$X_{C} = \infty (undefined)$$

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$$X_{C} = \frac{1}{2\pi fC} = \frac{1}{2\pi \times 1592 \times 1\mu F}$$

$$X_C = ??\Omega$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{C1} \\ \text{1}\mu\text{F} \\ \text{99.9}\Omega \\ \\ \text{f} = 1.592~\text{Hz} \\ \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} \text{R1} \\ \text{100}\Omega \\ \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} \text{7.07V} \\ \text{OUTPUT} \\ \end{array}$$

Half power point – the frequency where the output is at $\frac{1}{2}$ total circuit power

$$Z = \sqrt{R^2 + X_C^2}$$

$$Z = \sqrt{100^2 + 99.97^2} = ??\Omega$$

$$I_T = \frac{V_S}{Z} = \frac{10V}{141.3\Omega} = ??mA$$

$$V_{R1} = I_T \times Z$$

$$V_{R1} = 70.77 mA \times 100\Omega$$

$$V_{R1} = ??V$$

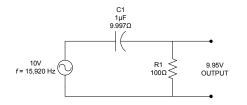
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$$X_c = \frac{1}{2\pi fC} = \frac{1}{2\pi \times 15,920 \times 1\mu F}$$

$$X_c = ??\Omega$$

$$Z = \sqrt{R^2 + X_C^2}$$

$$Z = \sqrt{100^2 + 9.997^2} = ??\Omega$$

$$I_T = \frac{E}{Z} = \frac{10V}{100.5\Omega}$$

$$I_T = ??A$$

$$V_{R1} = 0.995 A \times 100 \Omega$$

$$V_{R1} = ??V$$

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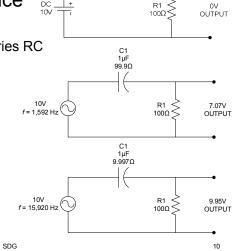
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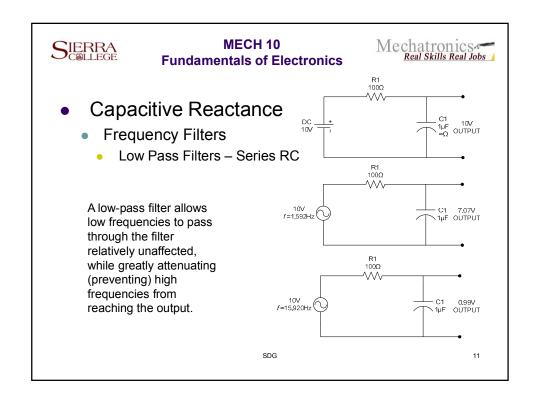
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A high-pass filter allows high frequencies to pass through the filter relatively unaffected, while greatly attenuating (preventing) low frequencies from reaching the output.







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Lab 14 – High & Low Pass Filters

Learning Objectives

- Build and test the output of a high pass filter (series RC)
 Test the circuit output characteristics with different capacitance values
- Build and test the output of a low pass filter (series LC)
- Test the circuit output characteristics with different inductance values
 Create frequency response curves (Bode Plots) using Electronic Workbench

		Points Possible
Documentation	Quality of documentation (neatness, clarity, spelling, grammar), Expected and measured values recorded on schematic diagram	10
X _c and Resistor Calculations	Values calculated and accurate, work is shown	5
High Pass Filter	Filter impact on frequencies recorded & accurate	5
	Changes to circuit performance noted with new capacitance value added	5
Low Pass Filter	Filter impact on frequencies recorded & accurate	5
	Changes to circuit performance noted with new inductance value added	5
Frequency Response Curves	Response curves (4) included and accurate	5
Conclusions	Questions answered completely & accurately.	10
	SDC Total	50

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