

## *Power in AC circuits revisited :*

*-- had looked at  $P_R$ ,  $P_L$ ,  $P_C$*

$$\begin{aligned}\text{For the RLC circuit : } P(t) &= i(t)v(t) = [I_0 \sin(\omega t - \phi)]V_0 \sin \omega t \\ &= I_0 V_0 \sin \omega t \sin(\omega t - \phi)\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{but } \sin(\omega t - \phi) = \sin \omega t \cos \phi - \cos \omega t \sin \phi$$

$$\therefore P(t) = I_0 V_0 \sin^2 \omega t \cos \phi - I_0 V_0 \sin \omega t \cos \omega t \sin \phi$$

$$\text{-- want } P_{ave} = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T P(t) dt$$

*1<sup>st</sup> the  $\sin^2 \omega t$  term :*

$$\text{let } \omega t = \theta, \quad \omega dt = d\theta; \text{ upper limit : } \theta = \omega T = 2\pi; \text{ also } \frac{1}{T} = \frac{\omega}{2\pi}$$

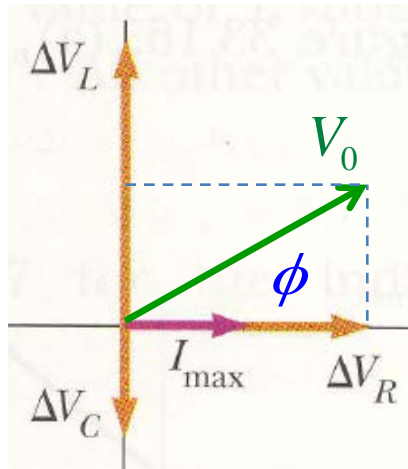
$$\text{and } \frac{\omega}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \sin^2 \theta \frac{d\theta}{\omega} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left( \frac{1}{2} \theta - \frac{1}{4} \sin 2\theta \right) \Big|_0^{2\pi} = \frac{1}{2}$$

*In 2<sup>nd</sup> term  $\sin \omega t \cos \omega t = \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\omega t \rightarrow 0$  when averaged over a cycle*

$$\therefore P_{ave} = \frac{1}{2} I_0 V_0 \cos \phi \quad \text{or} \quad P_{ave} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{2} I_{rms} \sqrt{2} V_{rms} \cos \phi = I_{rms} V_{rms} \cos \phi$$

$\cos \phi \equiv \text{power factor}$

*Also :*



$$V_0 \cos \phi = V_R = I_0 R$$

$$\text{or} \quad \frac{V_0 \cos \phi}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{I_0 R}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\text{or} \quad V_{rms} \cos \phi = I_{rms} R$$

$$\text{so that or} \quad P_{ave} = I_{rms} V_{rms} \cos \phi$$

$$\text{can also be written} \quad P_{ave} = I_{rms}^2 R$$

$\Rightarrow$  on average all power is dissipated in  $R$

## *Example*

*Calculate the power factor in the previous example.*

$$\text{Power factor} = \cos \phi = \cos(-46.8^\circ) = 0.685$$

*i.e. this indicates how much power is actually being used.*

*For example :*

*–if  $\phi = 90^\circ$  then  $P_{ave} = 0$ , even though a voltage is being applied and a current flows*

*→ implications re hydro cost??*

*Additional points re use of phasor approach :*

1) *represent  $v(t)$ ,  $i(t)$  as complex numbers*

$$(j = \sqrt{-1} \text{ and } e^{j\theta} = \cos \theta + j \sin \theta)$$

$$v^C(t) = V_0(\cos \omega t + j \sin \omega t) = V_0 e^{j\omega t}$$

$$\text{and } v(t) = V_0 \cos \omega t = \operatorname{Re}[v^C(t)] = \operatorname{Re}[V_0 e^{j\omega t}]$$

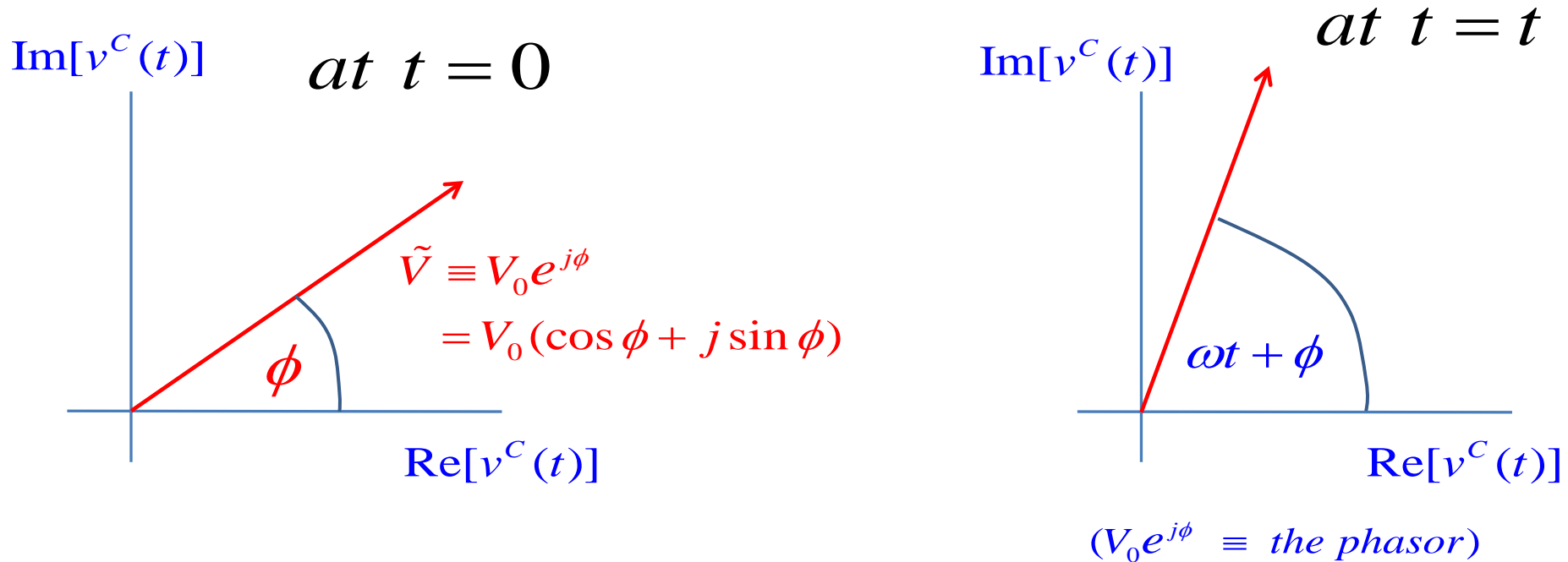
$$\text{if } v(t) = V_0 \cos(\omega t + \phi)$$

$$v^C(t) = V_0[\cos(\omega t + \phi) + j \sin(\omega t + \phi)] = V_0 e^{j(\omega t + \phi)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} v(t) &= V_0 \cos(\omega t + \phi) = \operatorname{Re}[v^C(t)] \\ &= \operatorname{Re}[V_0 e^{j(\omega t + \phi)}] \\ &= \operatorname{Re}[V_0 e^{j\phi} e^{j\omega t}] \\ &= \operatorname{Re}[\tilde{V} e^{j\omega t}] \end{aligned}$$

*where ( $V$  - tilde):  $\tilde{V} \equiv V_0 e^{j\phi} \equiv \text{the phasor}$*

- *rotating vector or phasor diagram:*



— same for  $i(t)$

2) *the real time voltages and currents are obtained by multiplying  $\tilde{V}$  by  $e^{j\omega t}$  and taking the real part*

$$\begin{aligned}
 v(t) &= \text{Re}[\tilde{V} e^{j\omega t}] = \text{Re}[V_0 e^{j\phi} e^{j\omega t}] \\
 &= \text{Re}[V_0 (\cos(\omega t + \phi) + j \sin(\omega t + \phi))] \\
 &= V_0 (\cos(\omega t + \phi))
 \end{aligned}$$

3) capacitors, inductors and resistors have impedances

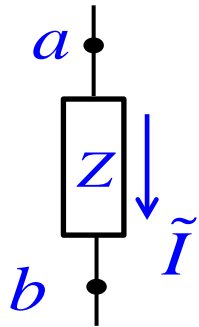
$$Z_C = \frac{1}{j\omega C}$$

$$Z_L = j\omega L$$

$$Z_R = R$$

$j$  gives the phase shift that the element introduces

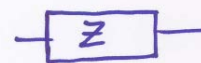
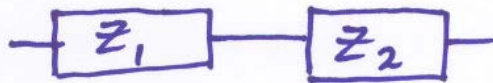
4) can apply a generalized Ohm's Law:



$$\tilde{V}_{AB} = Z \tilde{I}$$

also  $|\tilde{V}_{ab}| = |Z| |\tilde{I}|$

5) rules for combining impedances are the same as for resistors



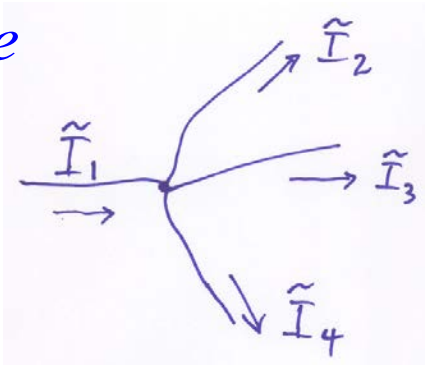
$$Z = Z_1 + Z_2$$



$$\frac{1}{Z} = \frac{1}{Z_1} + \frac{1}{Z_2}$$

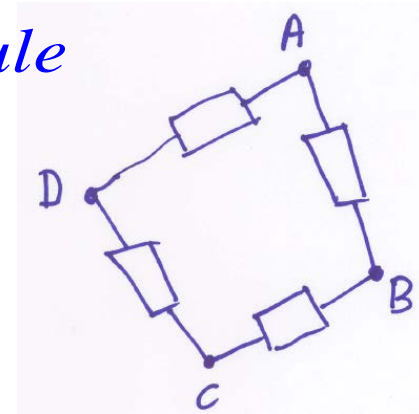
## 6) Kirchhoff's rules apply to phasors

*KC rule*



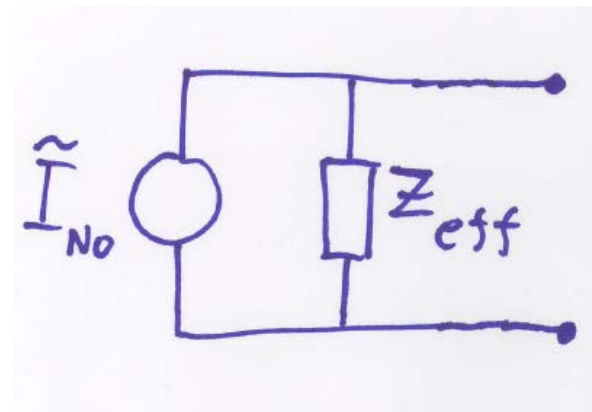
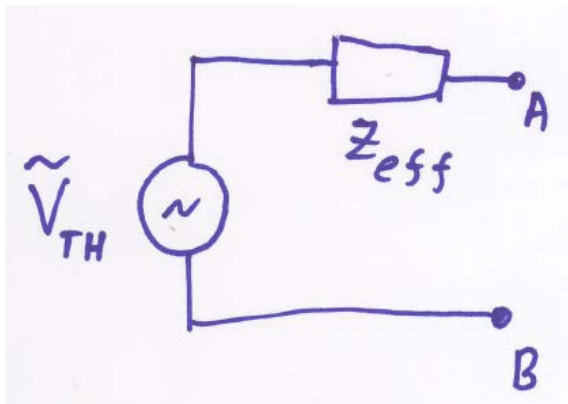
$$\tilde{I}_1 = \tilde{I}_2 + \tilde{I}_3 + \tilde{I}_4$$

*KV rule*



$$\tilde{V}_1 + \tilde{V}_2 + \tilde{V}_3 + \tilde{V}_4 = 0$$

## 7) generalized Thevenin's and Norton's equivalent circuits



- *Ohms's Law always applies but subscripts cannot be mixed :*

$$e.g. \ v_i^c(t) = i_i^c(t)Z_i^c; \ V_{rms} = I_{rms} |Z|; \ \tilde{V}_k = \tilde{I}_k Z_k^c \text{ (in this case put } Z \text{ in polar form)}$$

- *If addition or subtraction of complex numbers is involved use component or cartesian form;*

$$e.g. \ \vec{Z} = R + jX$$

- *For multiplication or division of complex numbers use polar or exponential form;*

$$e.g. \ \vec{Z} = Ze^{j\phi}, \ v^c(t) = V_0 e^{j(\omega t + \phi)}$$



## *Brief aside on Decibels (dB) :*

- used in electronics to characterize properties of filters, amplifiers*
- used in audio to characterize sound intensity*

*dB compares power logarithmically :*

$$\text{power ratio } P_1 \text{ to } P_2 \text{ in dB} = 10 \log_{10} \left( \frac{P_1}{P_2} \right)$$

$$\text{–say, } P_1 = 2P_2, \text{ then } C = 10 \log_{10}(2) \simeq 3 \text{ dB}$$

$$\text{–say, } P_1 = \frac{P_2}{2}, \text{ then } C = 10 \log_{10} \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) \simeq -3 \text{ dB} \quad (\text{the 3 dB point})$$

- dB in audio :*

- sound intensity measured relative to*

*threshold of hearing intensity ( $P_2 = 10^{-12} \text{ W / m}^2$ )*

$$\text{Thus, } \frac{P_1 \text{ (threshold of pain)}}{P_2 \text{ (reference intensity)}} = \frac{10 \text{ W / m}^2}{10^{-12} \text{ W / m}^2} = 10^{13}$$

$$\text{or } C = 130 \text{ dB} \quad (13 \text{ decades!})$$

- *dB in electronics :*
  - *power gain or attenuation conveniently measured in dB*
  - *useful since often output power  $\propto$  input power*
- *can also be used to compare signal amplitudes :*

*Since  $P = I^2 R$  or  $P = \frac{V^2}{R}$*

$$C = 10 \log_{10} \left| \frac{P_1}{P_2} \right| = 10 \log_{10} \left| \frac{\tilde{V}_1}{\tilde{V}_2} \right|^2 = 20 \log_{10} \left| \frac{\tilde{V}_1}{\tilde{V}_2} \right|$$

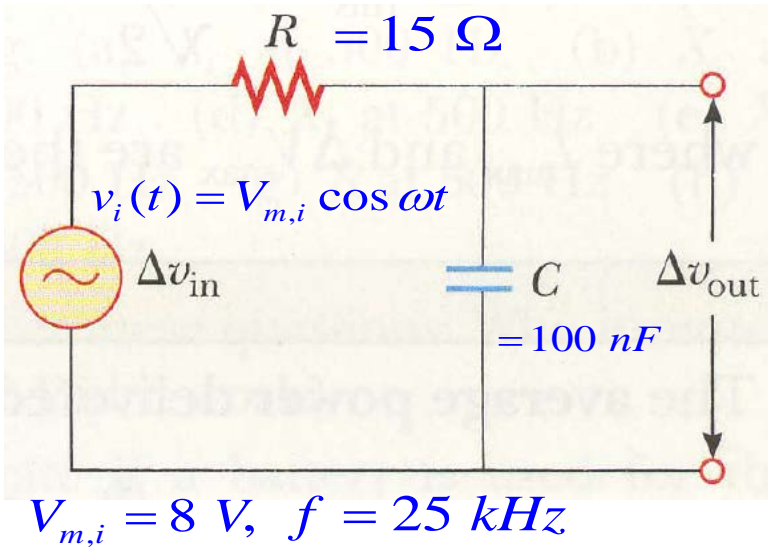
$$C_{\text{voltage}} = 20 \log_{10} \left| \frac{\tilde{V}_1}{\tilde{V}_2} \right|$$

$$C = 10 \log_{10} \left| \frac{P_1}{P_2} \right| = 20 \log_{10} \left| \frac{\tilde{I}_1}{\tilde{I}_2} \right|$$

$$C_{\text{current}} = 20 \log_{10} \left| \frac{\tilde{I}_1}{\tilde{I}_2} \right|$$

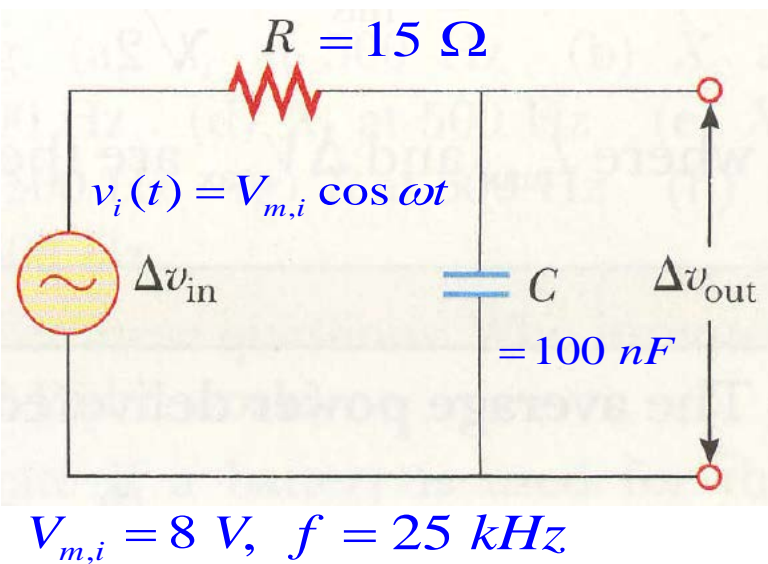
– – *end aside.*

# *Example Low-Pass Filter (RC low-pass filter)*



*Find a)  $Z_i^c$  (no load) =  $R + jX$*

*b) draw the impedance diagram  
and find  $\phi$ ,  $Z_i = |Z_i^c|$*

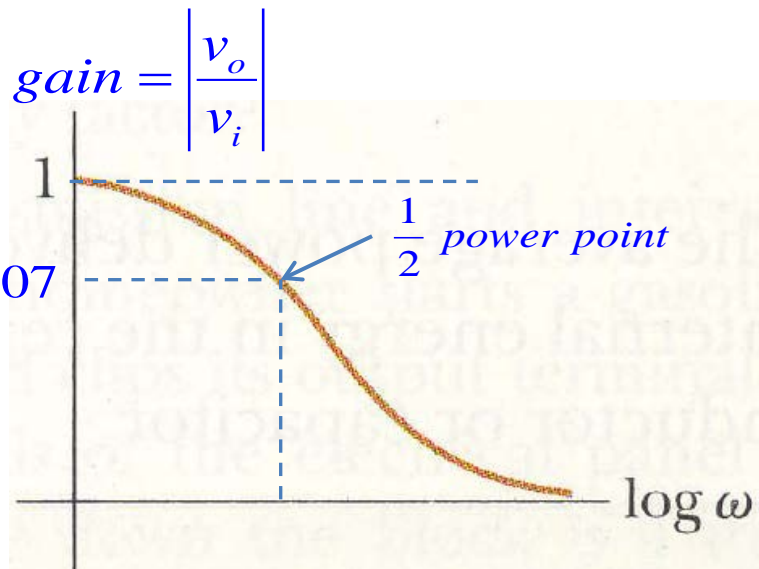


c) express  $Z_i^c$  in polar form  $Z_i = |Z_i^c| e^{j\phi}$

d) find  $i^c(t)$  (in phasor / exponential notation), and  $i(t)$  for the circuit

e) find the gain  $= \frac{v_o^{peak}}{v_i^{peak}} = \frac{V_{m,o}}{V_{m,i}} = \left| \frac{v_o}{v_i} \right|;$

plot gain versus  $\omega$



$$gain = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + (R\omega C)^2}}$$

$$dB = 10 \log \frac{P_o}{P_i} \text{ or } dB = 20 \log \frac{V_o}{V_i}$$

– for  $-3dB$  point, the half – power point :

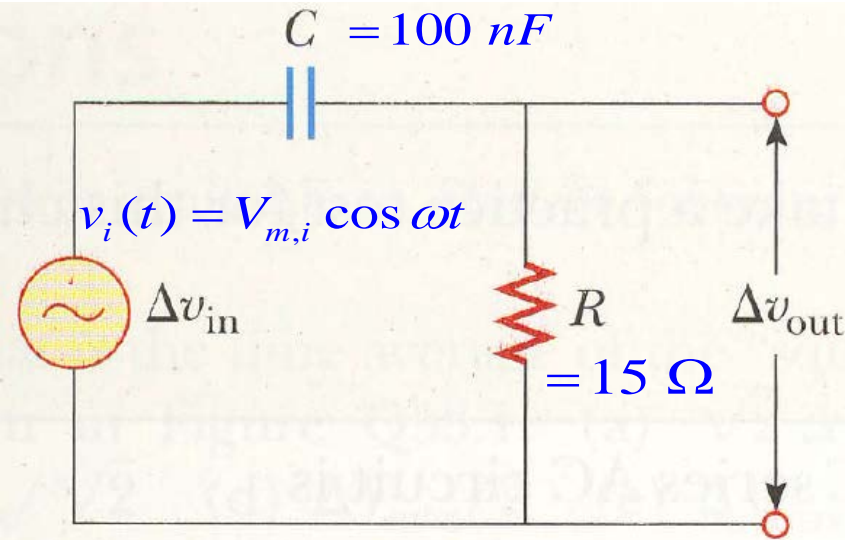
$$\left| \frac{v_o}{v_i} \right| = .707 \text{ at } \omega = \frac{1}{RC}$$

$$bandwidth \equiv \omega_B = \frac{1}{RC} \quad (f_B =$$

$f$ ) find  $v_o^c(t)$

# Example

## High – Pass Filter (RC high – pass filter)



Find a)  $Z_i^c$  (no load) =  $R + jX$

b) draw the impedance diagram

and find  $\phi$ ,  $Z_i = |Z_i^c|$

c) express  $Z_i^c$  in polar form  $Z_i = |Z_i^c| e^{j\phi}$

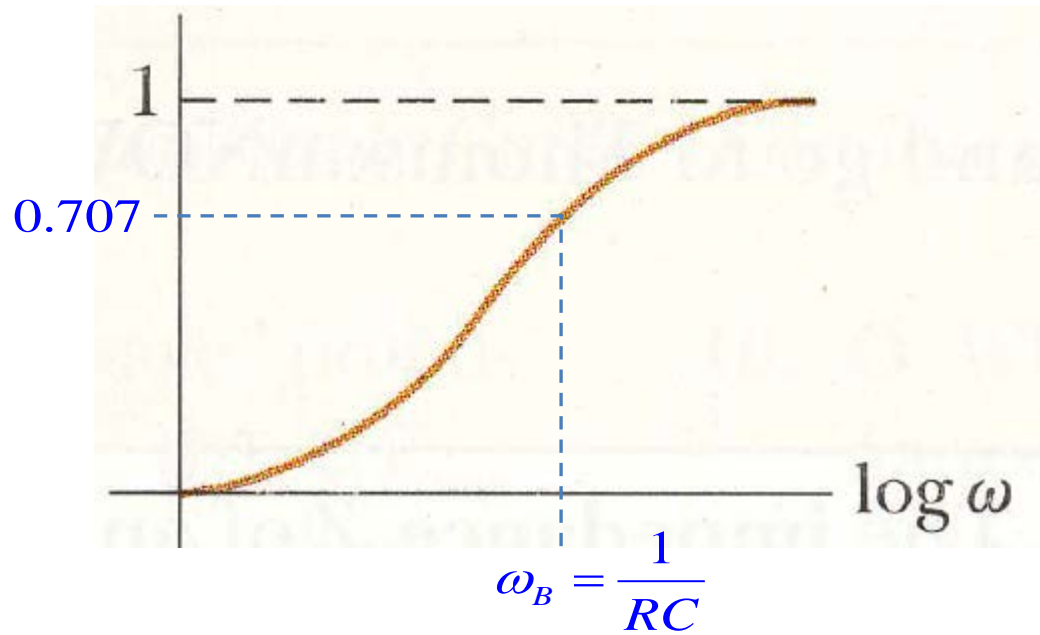
d) find  $i^c(t)$  (in phasor / exponential notation), and  $i(t)$  for the circuit

Parts a – d will be identical to those for the low – pass filter.

e) find the gain =  $\frac{v_o^{peak}}{v_i^{peak}} = \frac{V_{m,o}}{V_{m,i}} = \left| \frac{v_o}{v_i} \right|$ ; plot gain versus  $\omega$

–assignment?  $\left( \left| \frac{v_o}{v_i} \right| = \frac{\omega RC}{\sqrt{1 + \omega^2 R^2 C^2}} \right)$

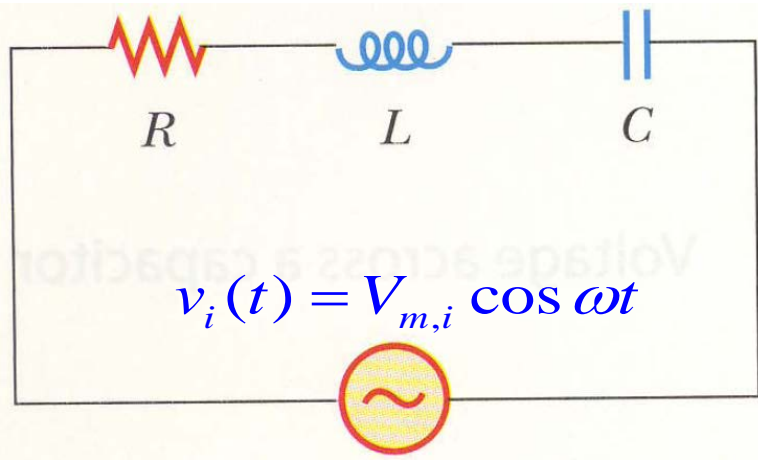
$$\left| \frac{v_o}{v_i} \right|$$



$$\left| \frac{v_o}{v_i} \right| = \frac{\omega RC}{\sqrt{1 + \omega^2 R^2 C^2}}$$

*f) find  $v_o^c(t)$  (assignment?)*

# Resonance in a RLC Circuit



$$Z_i^c (\text{no load}) = R + jX$$

$$= R + j\omega L + \frac{1}{j\omega C} = R + j\left(\omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C}\right)$$

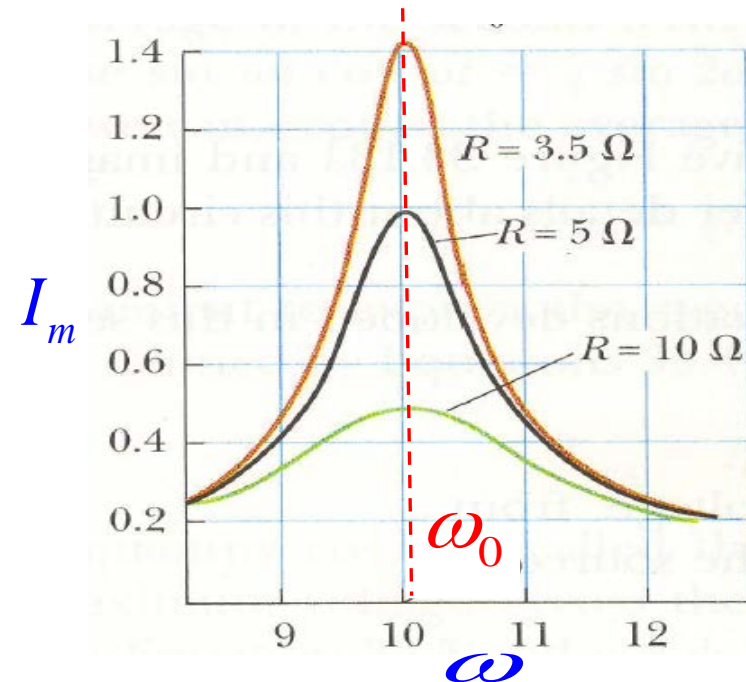
$$I_{m,i} = \frac{|\tilde{V}_i|}{|Z_i|} = \frac{V_{m,i}}{Z_i} = \frac{V_{m,i}}{\sqrt{R^2 + \left(\omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C}\right)^2}}$$

$\therefore I_m$  goes through a maximum

for  $\omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C} = 0$  or

$$\omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$$

$\equiv$  Resonance frequency





- different "levels of resonance" depend on resistive losses
- the "quality" of the circuit

Quality factor,  $Q \equiv 2\pi \frac{E_S}{E_L} = 2\pi \frac{\text{Maximum energy stored per cycle}}{\text{Maximum energy lost per cycle}}$

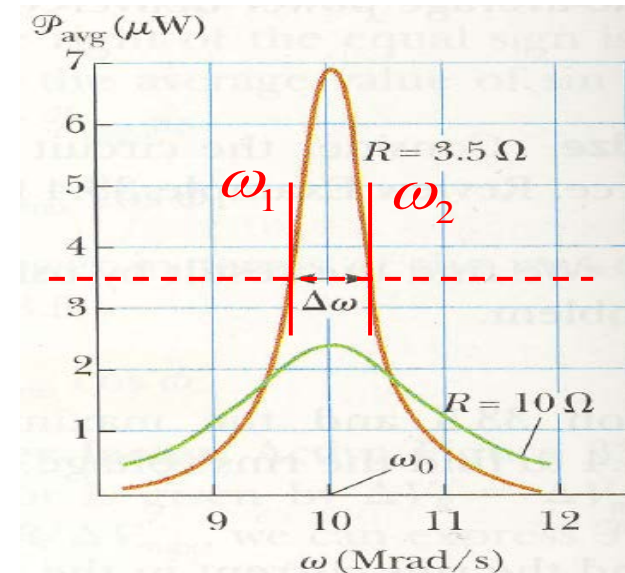
–for RLC circuit :  $Q = 2\pi \frac{\frac{1}{2} LI_m^2}{\int_0^T i^2(t) R dt} = \frac{\pi LI_m^2}{R \int_0^T I_m^2 \cos^2(\omega t) dt} = \frac{\omega L}{R}$

–also  $Q = \frac{\omega_0}{\Delta\omega}$  where  $\Delta\omega \equiv$  full width at half – power points  
 $\Delta\omega = \omega_2 - \omega_1 = \text{bandwidth}$

Consider  $P_{ave} = I_{rms}^2 R = \frac{V_{rms}^2}{|Z|} R$

$$= \frac{V_{rms}^2 R}{R^2 + (X_L - X_C)^2} = \frac{V_{rms}^2 R \omega^2}{R^2 \omega^2 + L^2 (\omega^2 - \omega_0^2)^2}$$

$\left( \text{Note } (P_{ave})_{max} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{V_{rms}^2}{R} \right)$



# Example

*A certain receiving circuit in a radio consists of a series RLC circuit where the signal is detected across a resistor and for which  $L = 5 \mu\text{H}$ . Signals at various frequencies are being transmitted by a transmitter. We are interested in tuning in on a 102 MHz signal in the presence of a 103 MHz signal of equal power.*

*In order to isolate the desired signal a variable capacitor is used and it is required that the detected power of the 103 MHz signal, at 102 MHz, is no greater than 50% of the maximum of incoming power of the 103 MHz signal.*

*Find the minimum  $Q$  needed and the maximum  $R$  allowed.*

*(Note that this does not represent good selectivity.)*

*Note :*

*a) for a series LC circuit at resonance  $\omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$  :*

$$\text{--then } Z_{\text{resonance}} = |XX^*| = \omega_0 L - \frac{1}{\omega_0 C} = 0 \text{ when } \omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$$

*b) for a parallel LC circuit at resonance  $\omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$  :*

$$\text{--then } \frac{1}{Z_{\text{resonance}}} = \frac{1}{j\omega_0 L} + \frac{1}{(1/j\omega_0 C)} = j\omega_0 C + \frac{1}{j\omega_0 L} = \frac{-\omega_0^2 LC + 1}{j\omega_0 L}$$

$$\text{or } Z_{\text{resonance}} = \frac{j\omega_0 L}{1 - \omega_0^2 LC}$$

$$\Rightarrow Z_{\text{resonance}} = \infty \text{ when } \omega_0^2 LC = 1 \text{ or when } \omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}, \text{ as before}$$

## Related uses of RLC circuits :

–selectively attenuate (at certain  $\omega$ ):

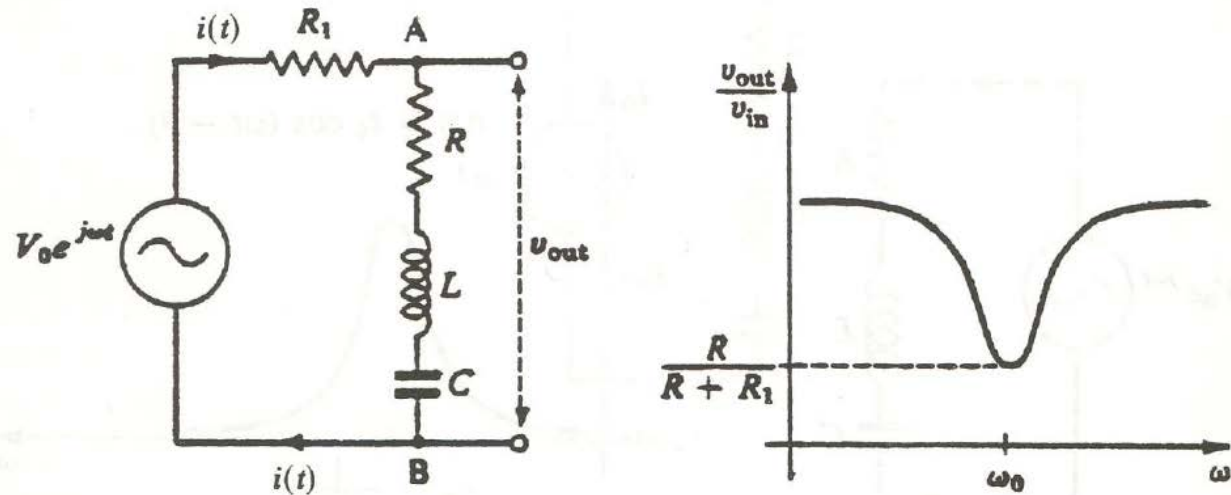


FIGURE 2.37 Series RLC circuit to attenuate frequencies near  $\omega_0$ .

–select (at certain  $\omega$ ):

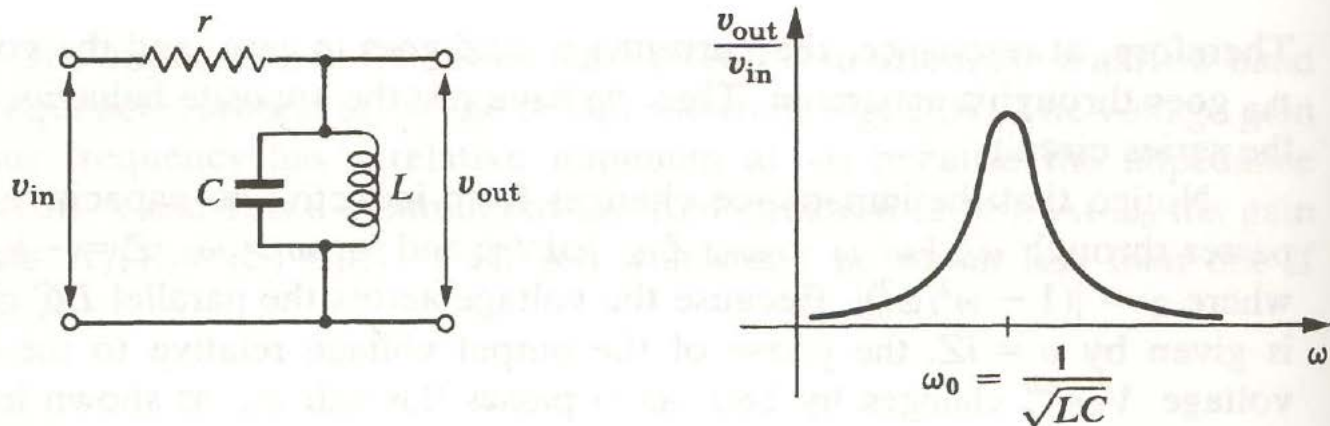


FIGURE 2.40 Parallel LC circuit used to select frequencies near  $\omega_0$ .