



Basic Electrical Technology

[ELE 105 I]

SINGLE PHASE AC CIRCUITS

L15 – AC Representation & Response



Topics covered...

- Representation of AC
 - Mathematical form
 - Graphical form
 - Phasors
- AC response of
 - Pure Resistor
 - Pure Inductor
 - Pure Capacitor

Representing AC

- Consider three sinusoidal signals $x(t)$, $y(t)$ & $z(t)$ with same frequency

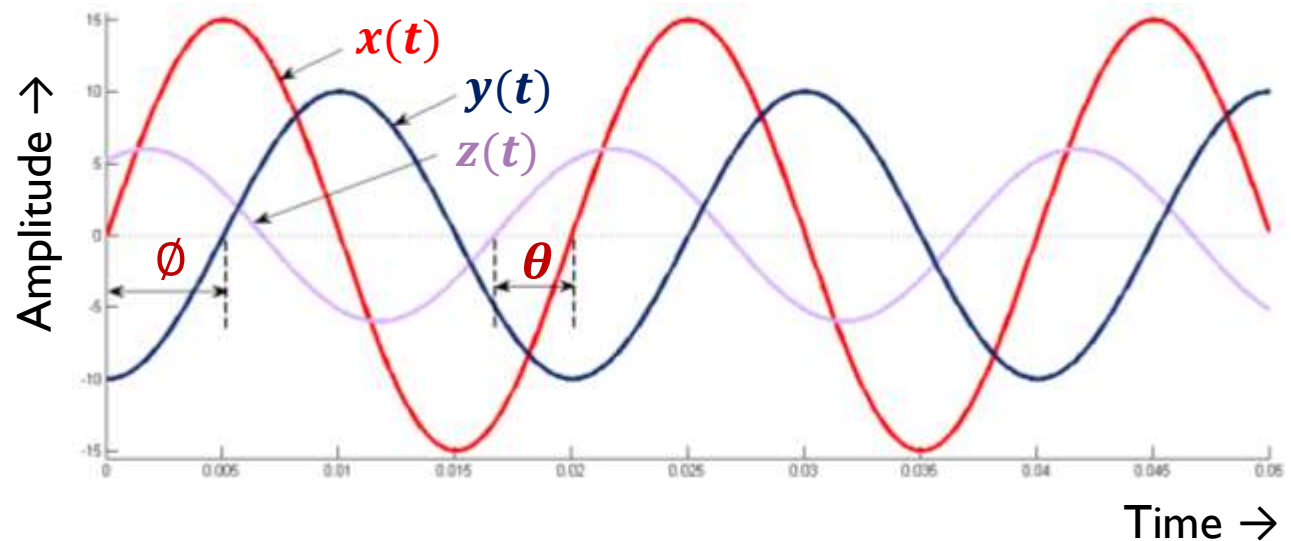
Mathematical Representation

$$x(t) = X_m \sin(\omega t)$$

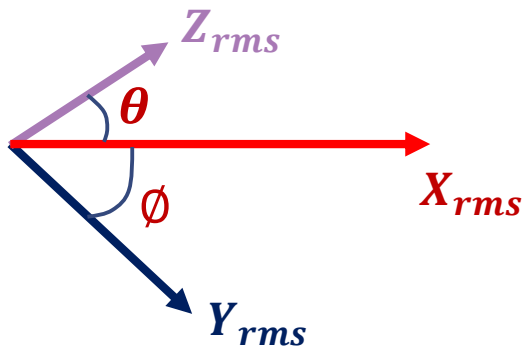
$$y(t) = Y_m \sin(\omega t - \phi)$$

$$z(t) = Z_m \sin(\omega t + \theta)$$

Graphical Representation



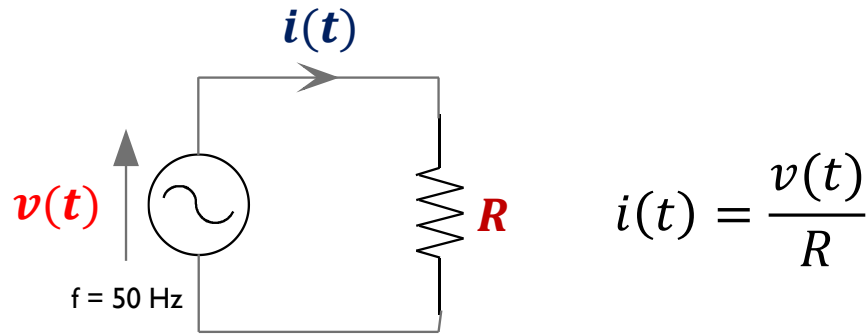
Phasor Representation



- Representing the relationship between sinusoidal signals with same frequency in graphical or mathematical form is tedious
- Phasor representation is often used

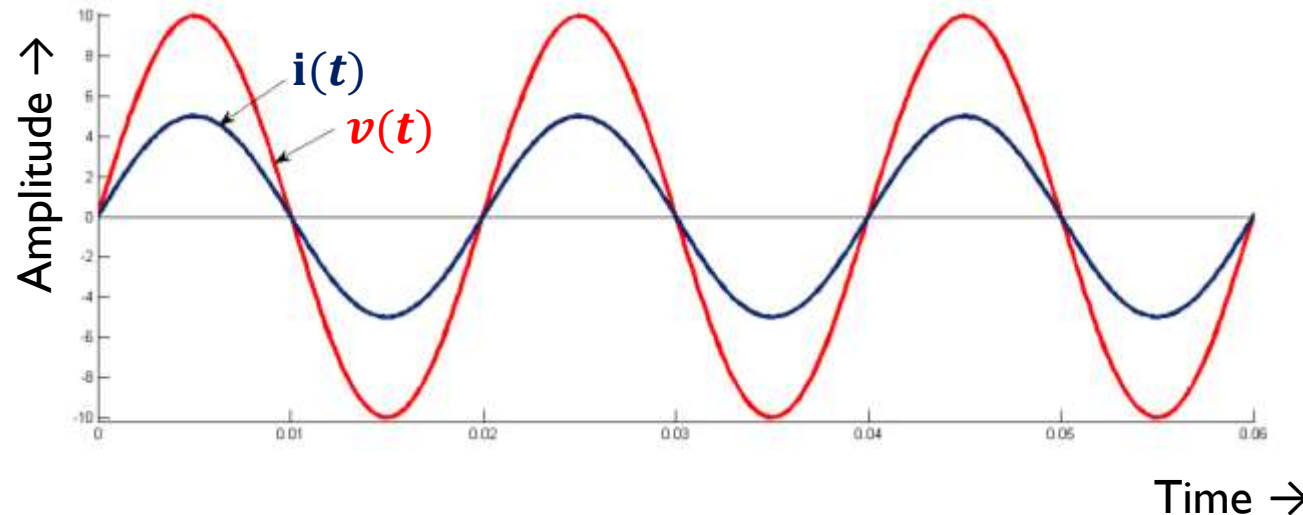


R circuit response with AC supply



'Current through the resistor is in phase with the voltage across it'

Graphical Representation



Mathematical Representation

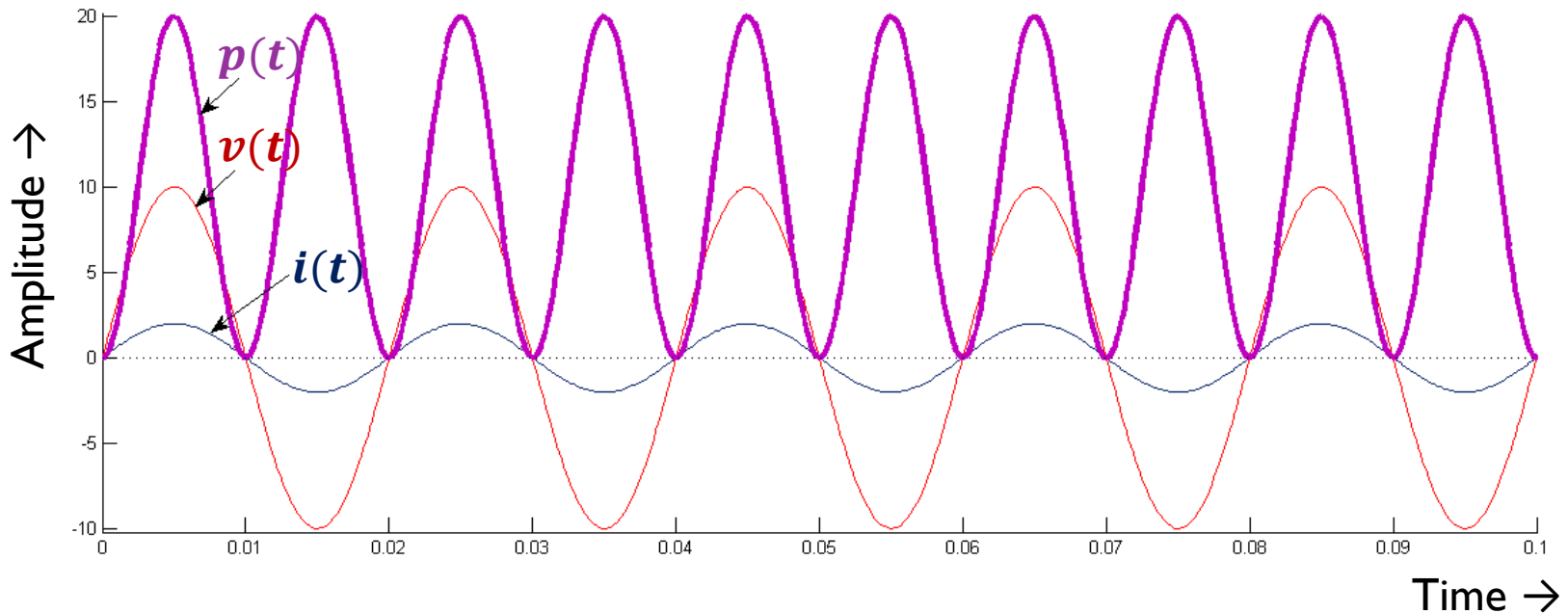
$$v(t) = V_m \sin(\omega t)$$

$$i(t) = I_m \sin(\omega t)$$

Phasor Representation



Power Consumed - Pure Resistive Circuit



Instantaneous power,

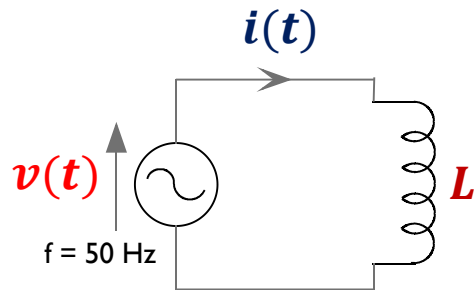
$$p(t) = v(t) \cdot i(t) = V_m I_m \sin^2 \omega t$$

$$\text{Average Power, } P = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T p(t) dt$$

$$P_{avg} = \frac{V_m I_m}{2} = V_{rms} I_{rms} = \frac{V_{rms}^2}{R} = I_{rms}^2 R$$



L circuit response with AC supply



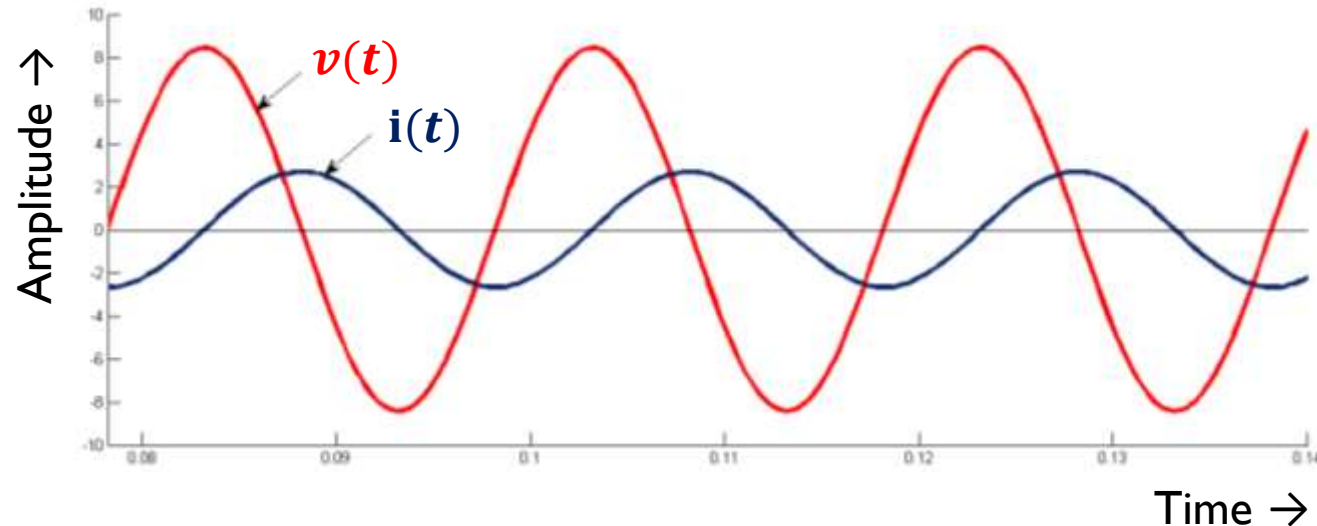
$$i(t) = \frac{1}{L} \int v(t) dt$$

'Current through the inductor lags the voltage across it by 90° '

$$\bar{V} = V \angle 0^\circ \quad \bar{I} = I \angle -90^\circ$$
$$\frac{\bar{V}}{\bar{I}} = \frac{V \angle 0^\circ}{I \angle -90^\circ} = jX_L \quad \text{where } \frac{V}{I} = X_L$$

X_L is called **Inductive Reactance**

Graphical Representation



Mathematical Representation

$$v(t) = V_m \sin(\omega t)$$

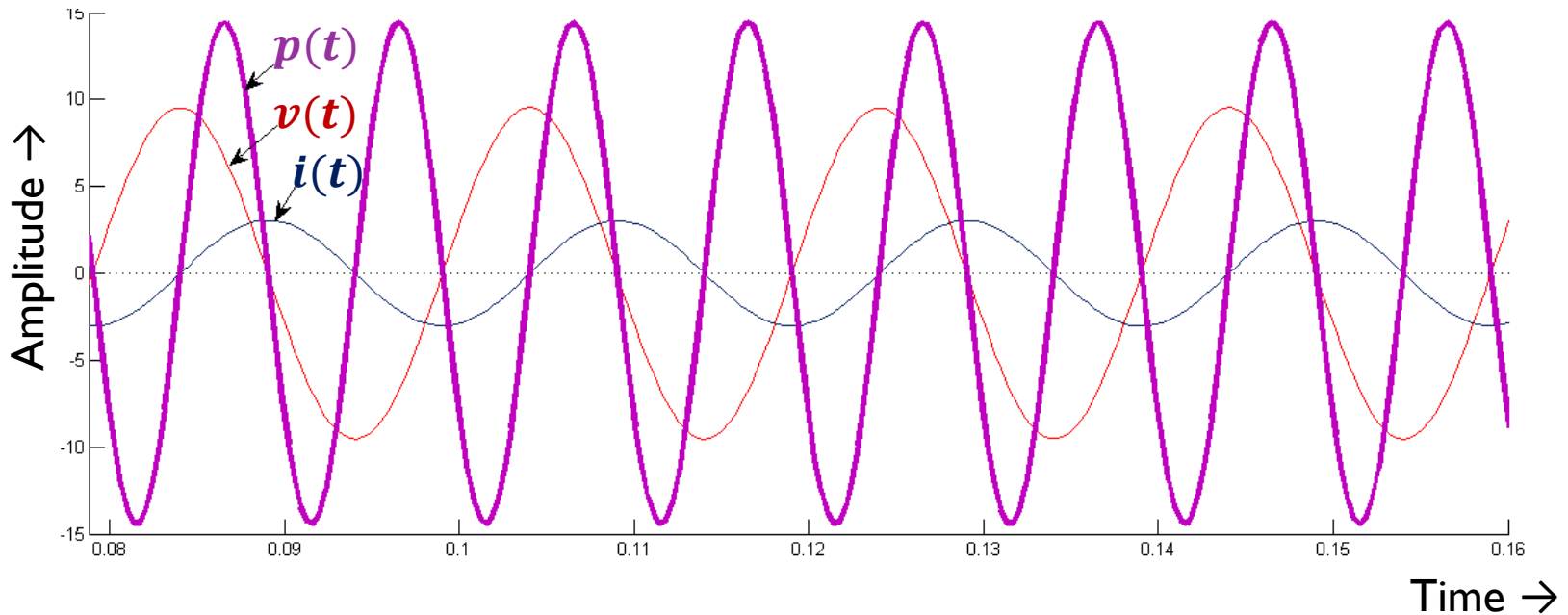
$$i(t) = I_m \sin(\omega t - 90^\circ)$$

Phasor Representation





Power Consumed - Pure Inductive Circuit



Instantaneous power,

$$p(t) = v(t) \cdot i(t)$$

$$= V_m I_m \sin \omega t \cdot \sin(\omega t - 90^\circ)$$

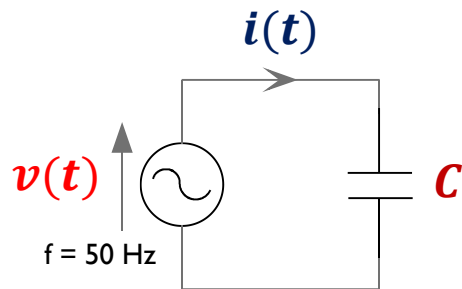
$$= -\frac{V_m I_m}{2} \sin 2\omega t$$

$$\text{Average Power, } P = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T p(t) dt$$

$$\boxed{P_{avg} = 0}$$



C circuit response with AC supply



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

'Current through the capacitor leads the voltage across it by 90° '

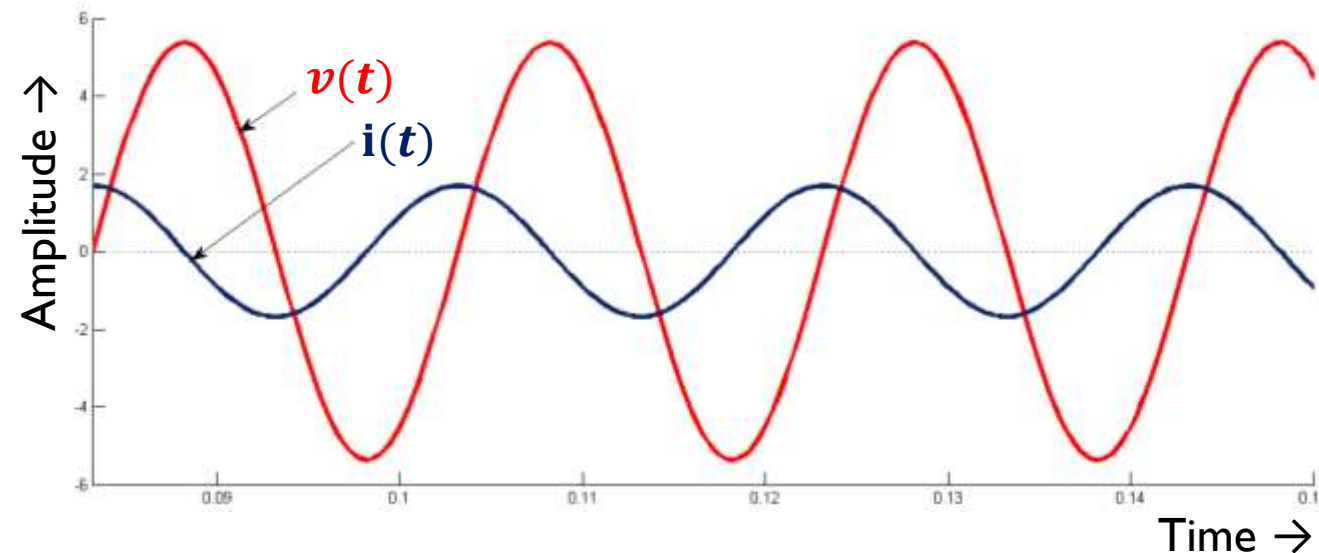
$$\bar{V} = V \angle 0^\circ$$

$$\bar{I} = I \angle 90^\circ$$

$$\frac{\bar{V}}{\bar{I}} = \frac{V \angle 0^\circ}{I \angle 90^\circ} = -jX_C \quad \text{where } \frac{V}{I} = X_C$$

X_C is called **Capacitive Reactance**

Graphical Representation



Mathematical Representation

$$v(t) = V_m \sin(\omega t)$$

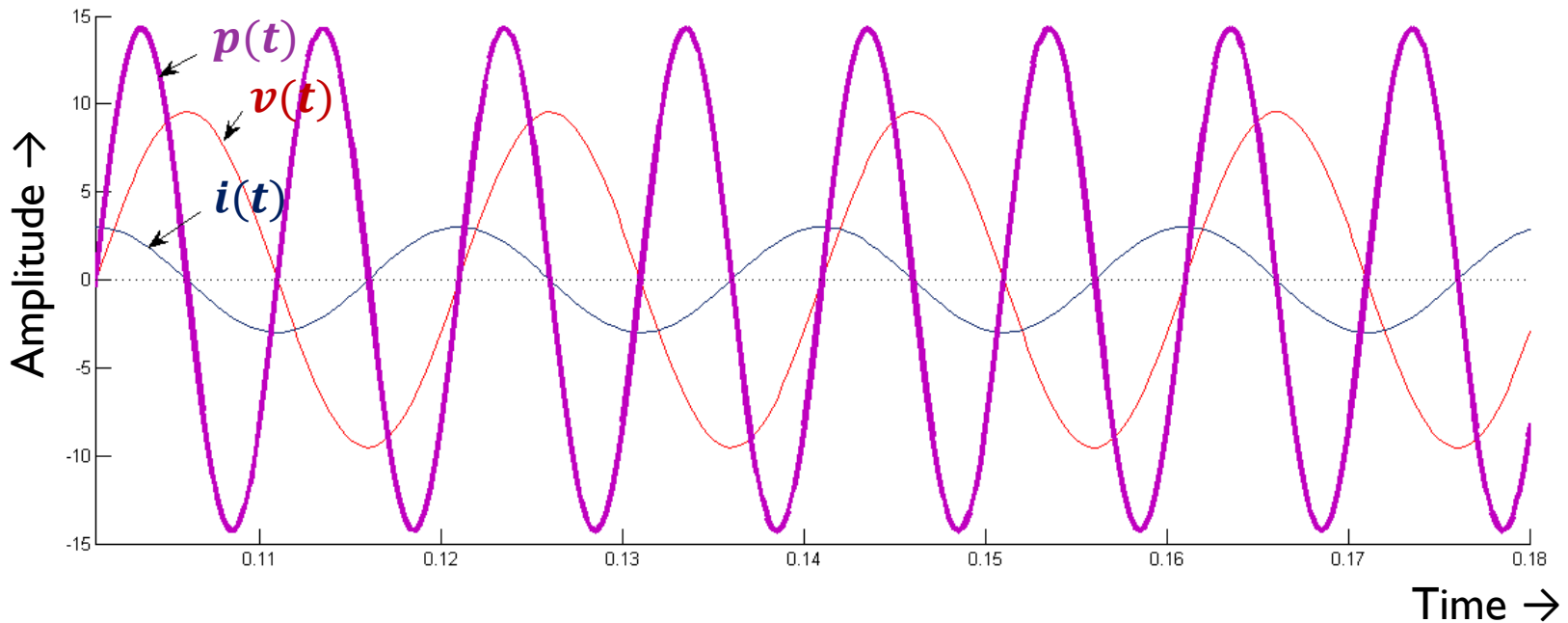
$$i(t) = I_m \sin(\omega t + 90^\circ)$$

Phasor Representation





Power Consumed - Pure Capacitive Circuit



Instantaneous power,

$$p(t) = v(t) \cdot i(t)$$

$$= V_m I_m \sin \omega t \cdot \sin(\omega t + 90^\circ)$$

$$= \frac{V_m I_m}{2} \sin 2\omega t$$

$$\text{Average Power, } P = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T p(t) dt$$

$$\boxed{P_{avg} = 0}$$



Summary

- Sinusoidal alternating signals of same frequency can be represented graphically by **Phasors**
- **Define:** Inductive and capacitive Reactances

	R	L	C
Voltage, current relationship	$v(t)$ in phase with $i(t)$	$i(t)$ lags $v(t)$ by 90°	$i(t)$ leads $v(t)$ by 90°
Power associated	$I^2 R = \frac{V^2}{R}$ (Active Power)	$I^2 X_L$ (Reactive Power)	$I^2 X_C$ (Reactive Power)