

# Circuit Theory and Electronics Fundamentals

## Lecture 7: Power and energy in sinusoidal steady-state analysis

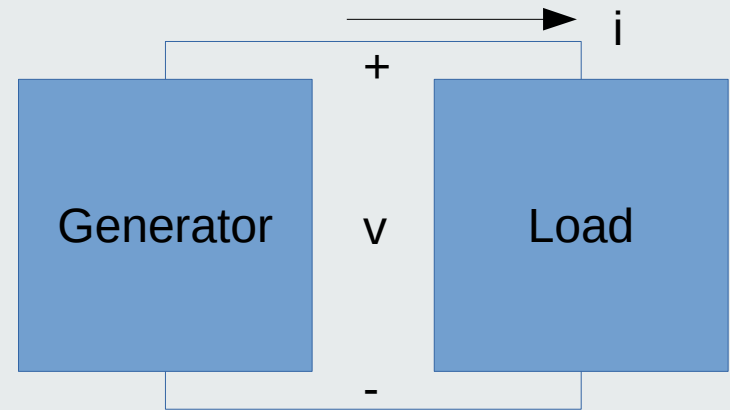
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# Sinusoidal analysis: power

Power is energy per unit of time

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

In a sinusoidal steady-state analysis:



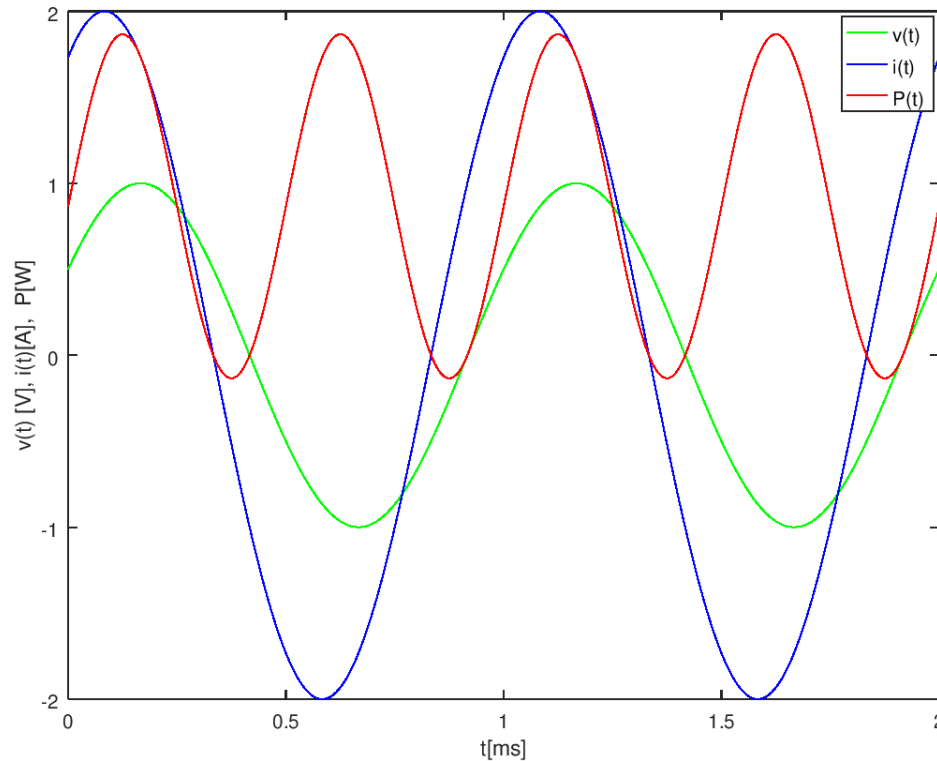
$$p(t) = V \cos(\omega t + \phi_V) I \cos(\omega t + \phi_I)$$

$$\cos(a) \cos(b) = \frac{1}{2} [\cos(a+b) + \cos(a-b)]$$

$$\cos(-a) = \cos(a)$$

$$p(t) = \frac{V}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{I}{\sqrt{2}} [\cos(\phi_V - \phi_I) + \cos(2\omega t + \phi_V + \phi_I)]$$

# Sinusoidal analysis: power



Voltage and current are out of phase: component has complex impedance

Power has twice the frequency: consequence of multiplying sinusoidal functions

Power is sometimes negative: component is producing energy in those times



# Sinusoidal average power

$$\bar{P} = \frac{1}{T} \int_T p(t) dt$$

Average power during one period T

$$\bar{P} = \frac{V}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{I}{\sqrt{2}} \left[ \frac{1}{T} \int_T \cos(\phi_V - \phi_I) dt + \frac{1}{T} \int_T \cos(2\omega t + \phi_V + \phi_I) dt \right]$$

$$\bar{P} = V_{RMS} I_{RMS} \cos(\phi_V - \phi_I),$$

$$V_{RMS} = \frac{V}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad I_{RMS} = \frac{I}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$PF = \cos(\phi_v - \phi_i) \quad \text{Power factor}$$

Effective Voltage: Root Mean Square (RMS) Voltage

Effective Current: Root Mean Square (RMS) Current



# Energy computation

$$E = \int_{t=0}^{t=t_f} p(t) dt$$

Energy consumed in time interval  $[0, t_f]$

$$t_f \gg T \Rightarrow E \approx \bar{P} * t_f$$

No need to integrate

$$\bar{P} = V_{RMS} I_{RMS} PF$$

How to use effective voltage, current and power factor

$$PF = \cos(\phi)$$

Power factor expression

$$\phi = \phi_V - \phi_I$$

Voltage-current phase difference

# Computing power with phasors

$$\tilde{P} = \frac{\tilde{V} \tilde{I}^*}{2}$$

Complex power definition (very convenient)

$$\tilde{P} = \frac{V I}{2} e^{j\phi}$$

$$P_{\text{apparent}} = \frac{V I}{2} = V_{\text{RMS}} I_{\text{RMS}} \quad [\text{VA}]$$

$$\tilde{P} = P_{\text{apparent}} e^{j\phi}$$

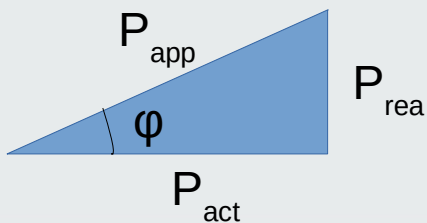
Complex power definition using apparent power

$$\Re \{ \tilde{P} \} = P_a \cos(\phi)$$

Average real or active power! (convenience explained) [W]

$$\Im \{ \tilde{P} \} = P_a \sin(\phi)$$

Reactive power! (power that goes back and forth without being consumed) [VAR]



# Maximum power transfer theorem (DC analysis)

$$P_R = V_R I_R$$

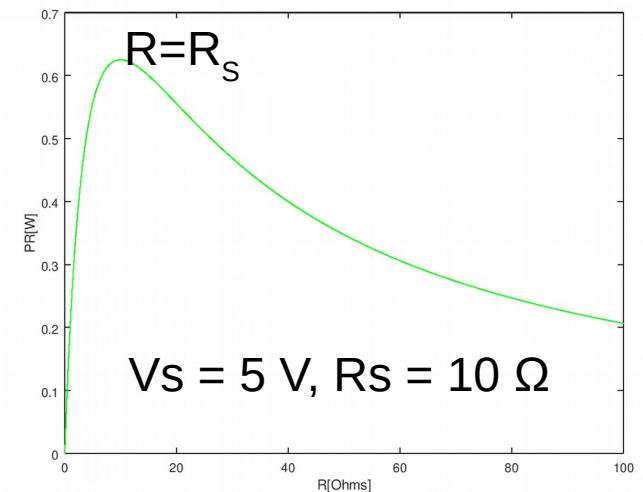
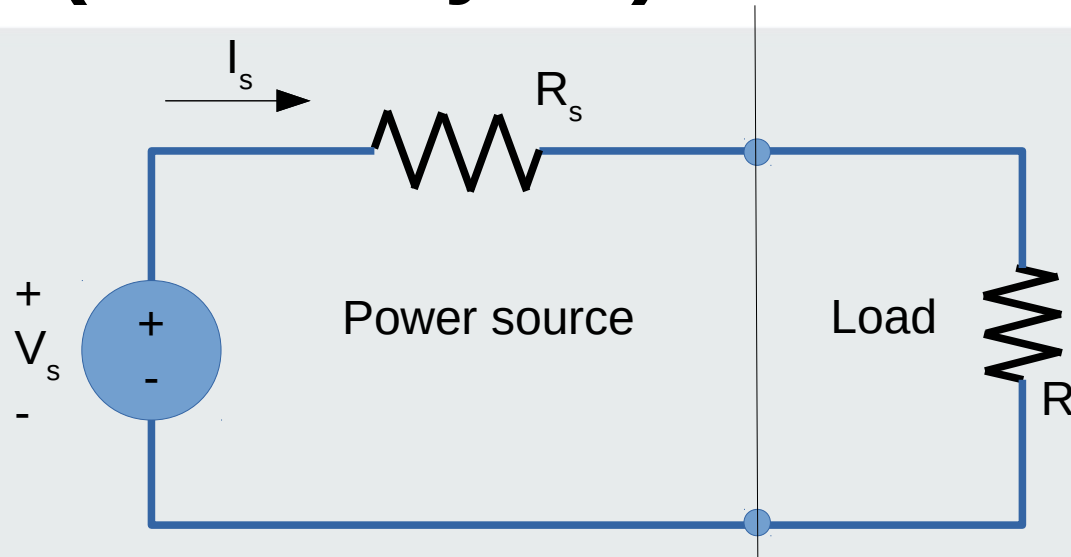
$$V_R = \frac{R}{R_S + R} V_S \quad \text{Volt. Div.}$$

$$I_R = I_s = \frac{V_S}{R_S + R} \quad \text{Ohms'}$$

$$P_R = \frac{R}{(R_S + R)^2} V_s^2$$

$$P_R(R_s) = \max(P_R) \quad \text{Just find the maximum of function } P_R(R)$$

$$R_{\max \text{ power}} = R_S$$



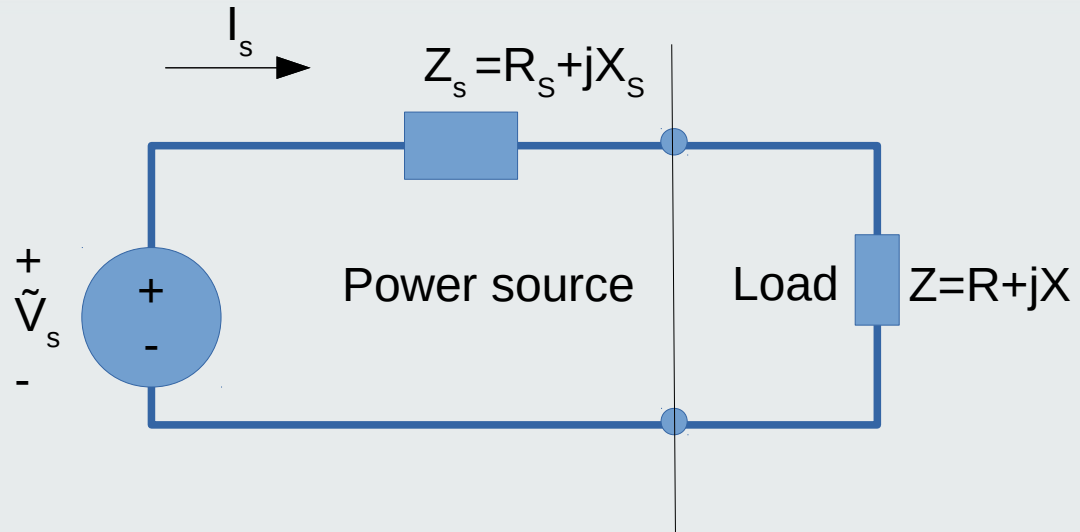
# Maximum power transfer theorem in sinusoidal analysis

$$P_Z(Z_S^*) = \max(P_Z)$$

$$Z_{\max \text{ power}} = Z_S^*$$

$$R = R_S$$

$$X = -X_S$$



Just find the maximum for real function of a complex variable  $P_Z(Z)$

$\mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : Z \rightarrow P_Z$  active power on load

Complex loads are common due to transformers, motors, etc

Complex loads show power factor magnitudes lower than 1 and this is a problem...

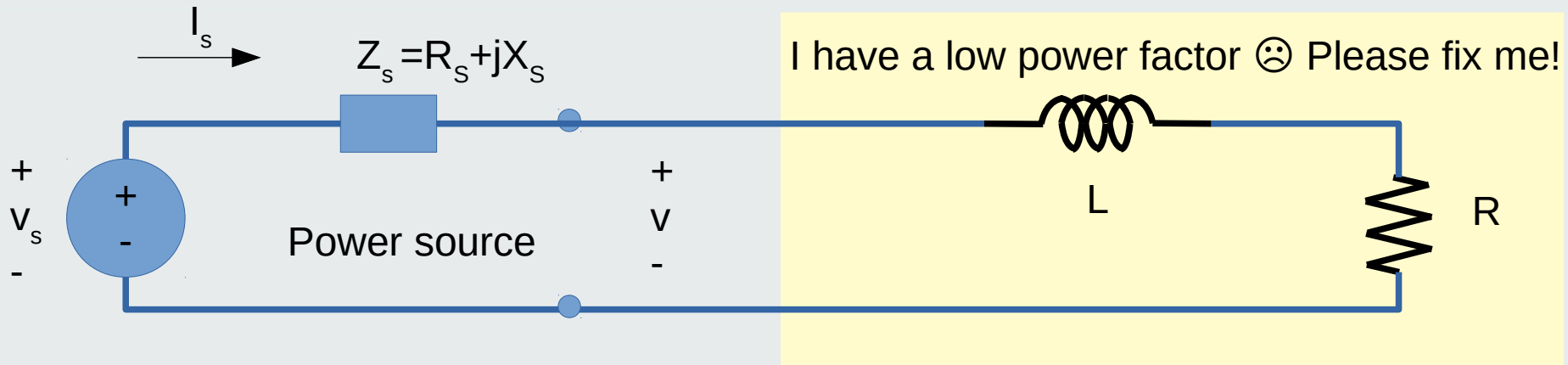




# Power factor compensation

- In some situations a low power factor is not desirable
- Example: industrial electrical installations
- A low power factor stresses the electrical grid with high voltage and current peaks, only to transport reactive energy back and forth, with no useful purpose
- A low power factor exacerbates power losses and compromises power distribution efficiency
- Electrical utility companies charge a penalty cost for low power factor installations
  - Simple penalty scheme: charge money for Apparent Power instead of Active Power!
- Consumers have thus an incentive to compensate their power factors, reduce reactive power, and save big money in electricity bills!

# Power factor compensation example



$$PF = \cos(\phi)$$

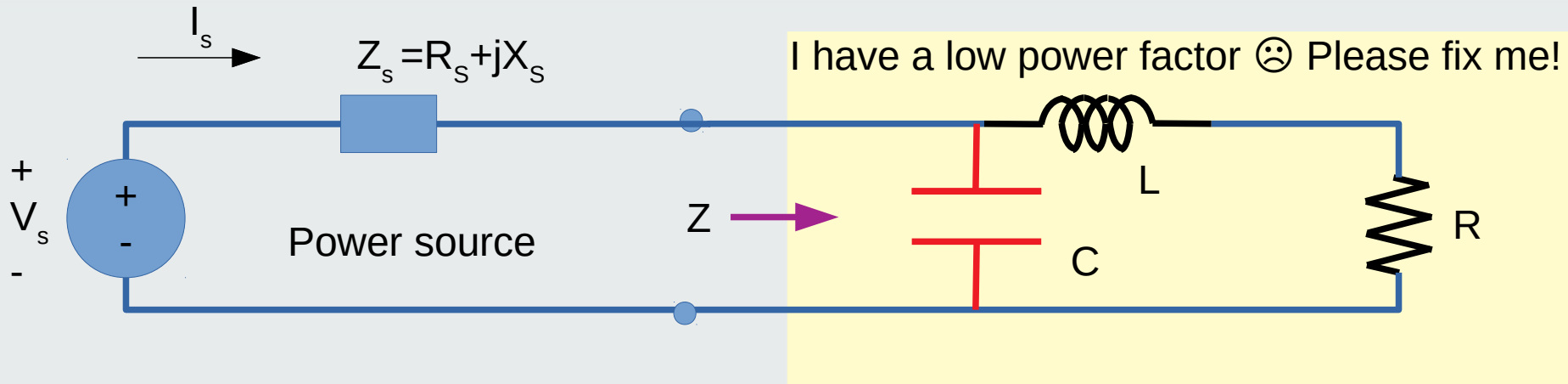
$$Z = \frac{\tilde{V}}{\tilde{I}} = \frac{V}{I} e^{j(\phi_v - \phi_i)} = \frac{V}{I} e^{j\phi}$$

$$\phi = \angle Z$$

$$Z = R + j\omega L$$

$$\phi = \arctan\left(\frac{\omega L}{R}\right)$$

# Power factor compensation using a capacitor

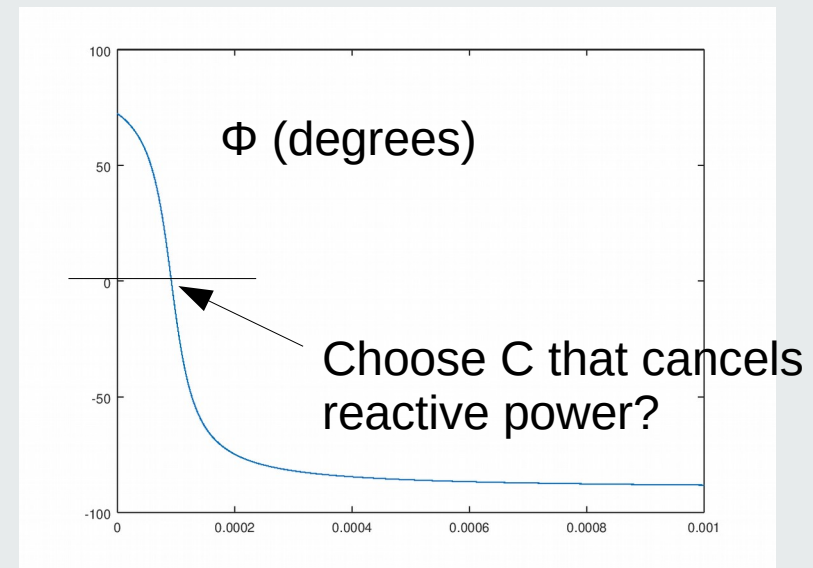


$$\cos(\phi) = \cos(\angle Z) \quad \text{Power factor}$$

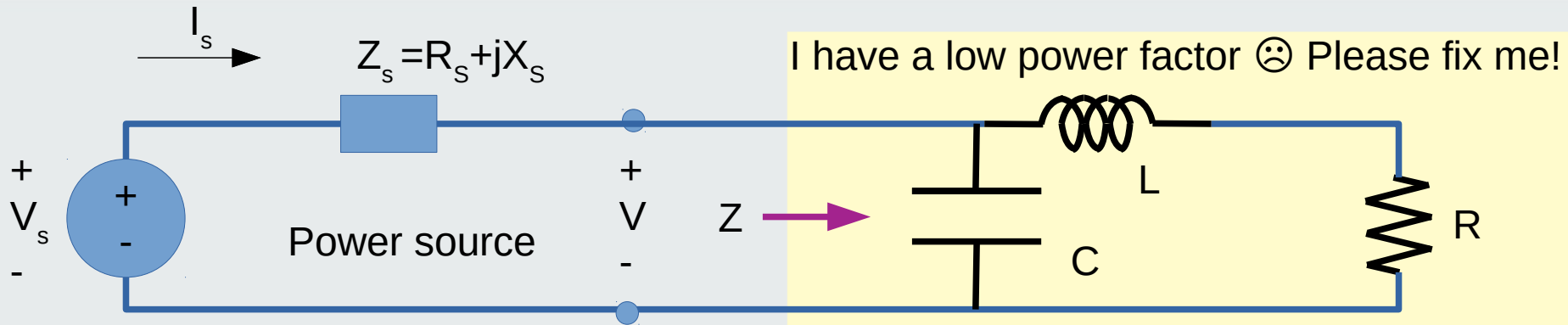
$$Z = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{R + j\omega L} + j\omega C} \quad \leftarrow Z = C \parallel L-R$$

## **WARNING:**

Natural solution being ignored!  
Important when switching networks on and off!



# Power factor compensation effect on delivered power



$$P_R = \Re \{ \tilde{P}_R \}$$

Active power delivered to R

$$\tilde{P}_R = \frac{1}{2} \tilde{V}_R \tilde{I}_R^*$$

Complex power delivered to R

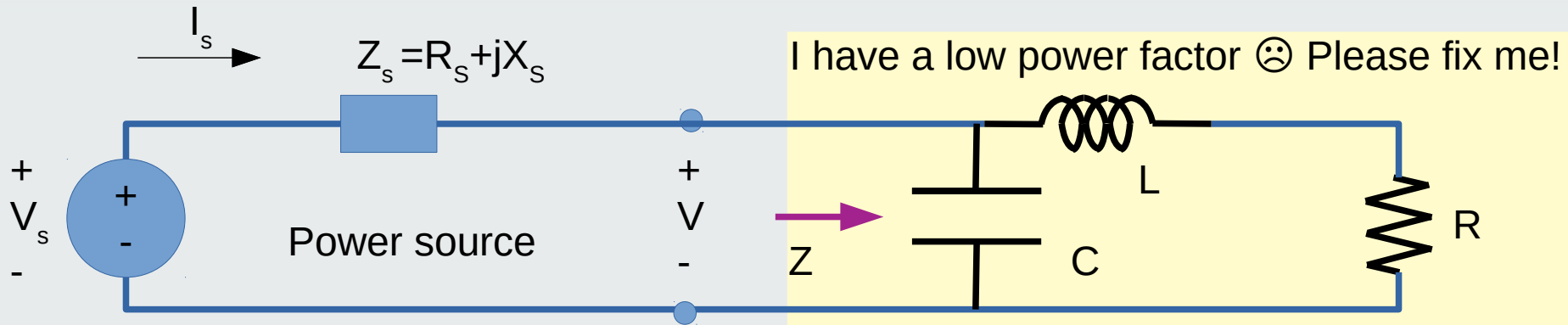
$$\tilde{V}_R = \frac{R}{R + j\omega L} \tilde{V}$$

Voltage Divider

$$\tilde{I}_R = \frac{\frac{1}{R + j\omega L}}{j\omega C + \frac{1}{R + j\omega L}} \tilde{I}_s$$

Current Divider

# Power factor compensation: input voltage and current



$$\tilde{V} = \frac{\frac{1}{j\omega C + \frac{1}{R + j\omega L}}}{\frac{1}{j\omega C + \frac{1}{R + j\omega L}} + Z_s} \tilde{V}_s$$

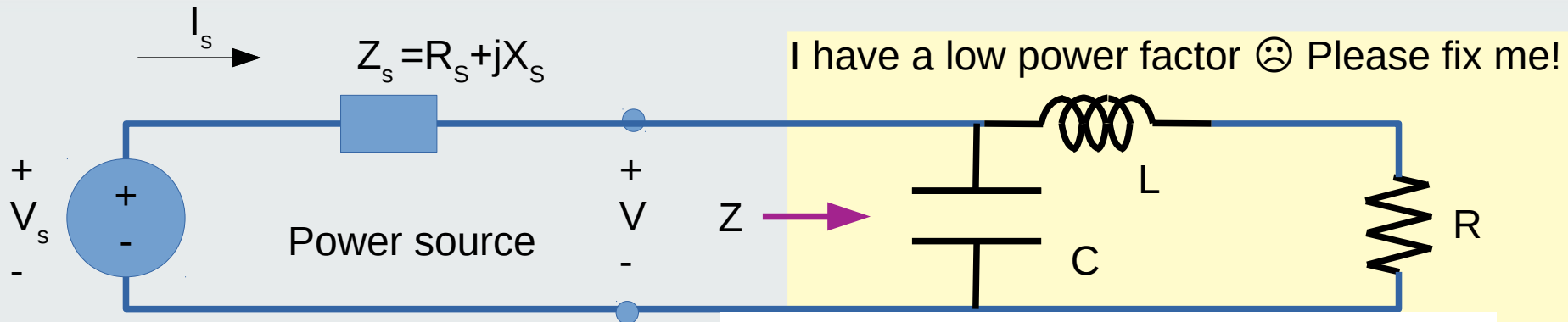
Voltage Divider

$$Z = C || L - R$$

$$\tilde{I}_s = \frac{\tilde{V}_s}{\frac{1}{j\omega C + \frac{1}{R + j\omega L}} + Z_s}$$

Ohm's Law

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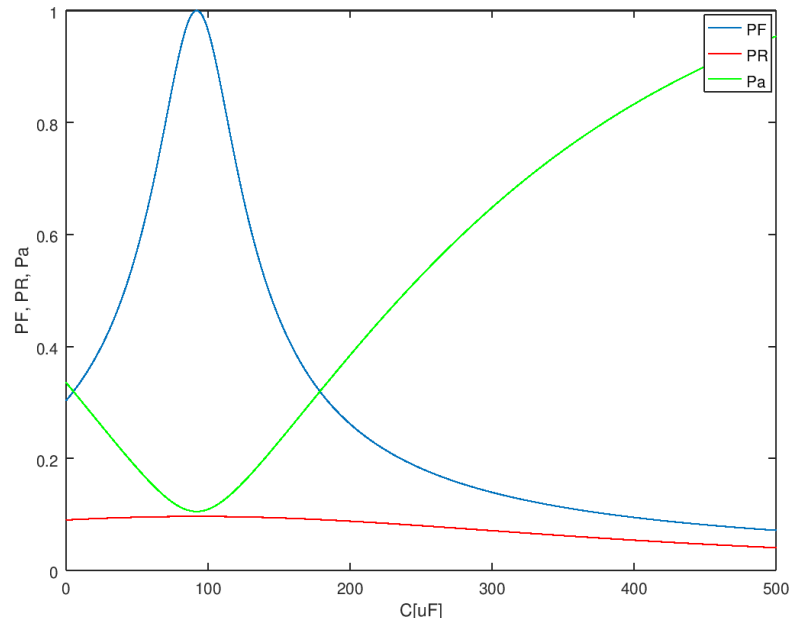
$$PF = \cos(\angle Z) \quad \text{Power factor}$$

$$P_R = \Re \{ \tilde{P}_R \} \quad \text{Active power in R}$$

Fixed with  $C = 92 \mu\text{F}$  !

Compensating power factors pays!

Electricity bill reduced 3 times!



# Conclusion

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