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#### Introduction

The simple world of dc circuits leads to very narrow-minded understanding of circuit theory and the power of electrical engineering.

In reality the word is an ***ac world*** and only when we consider alternating waveforms will electrical engineering come alive!

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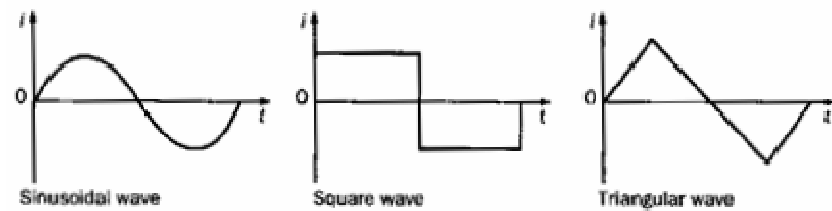
### Waveforms

If a current is varied in a repetitive manner then it is known as an alternating current, commonly abbreviated to ac. Current flows first in one direction and then in the other (electrons moving in one direction and then in the other), and the cycle of variation is exactly the same for each direction.

The curves relating current to time are known as **waveforms**.

These can be of a variety of shapes as illustrated or even more complicated.

To avoid dc the shape above the zero line should be identical to that below the zero line.



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### The sinusoid

The most common and most useful form is the sinusoid as:

- This can be easily generated
- It can form other interesting waveforms
- It is a very naturally occurring shape
- It is mathematically simple

As ac waveforms are so universal we must learn how to define the terms before we can begin to analyse circuits operating with ac rather than dc.

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### Generating ac

Before looking at the generation of ac waveforms we should remind ourselves of a basic principle.

This was the relationship:  $E = Blu$

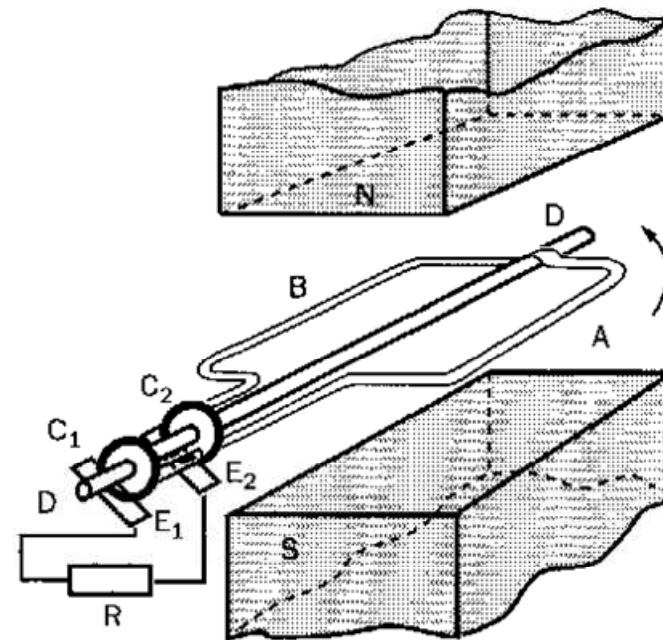
where E is the voltage generated by a wire, length l (m) passing through a magnetic field of strength B (teslas) at a velocity u (m/sec)

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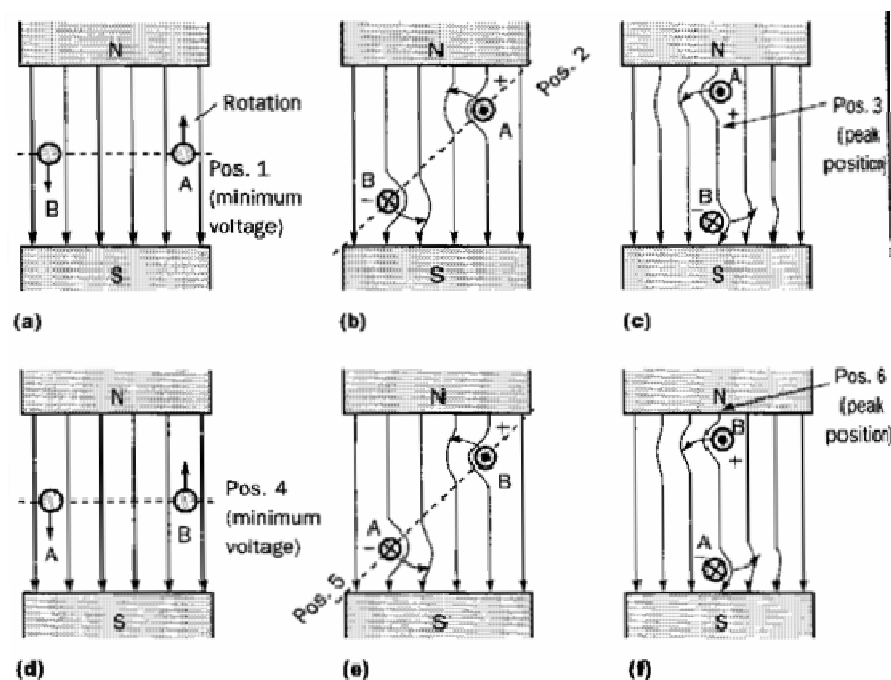
If we now consider a loop of conductor, AB, carried on a spindle, DD, rotated at a constant speed in an anticlockwise direction in a uniform magnetic field created by the poles of a magnet as shown:

We may observe that when the loop is horizontal, no flux is being cut and no emf can be generated. Whereas, if the loop is vertical, then flux is being cut at a maximum rate. At any angle in between these limits, the flux is being cut at some rate less than the maximum but more than zero. It is not difficult to imagine that the signal that will emerge will be **sinusoidal**.

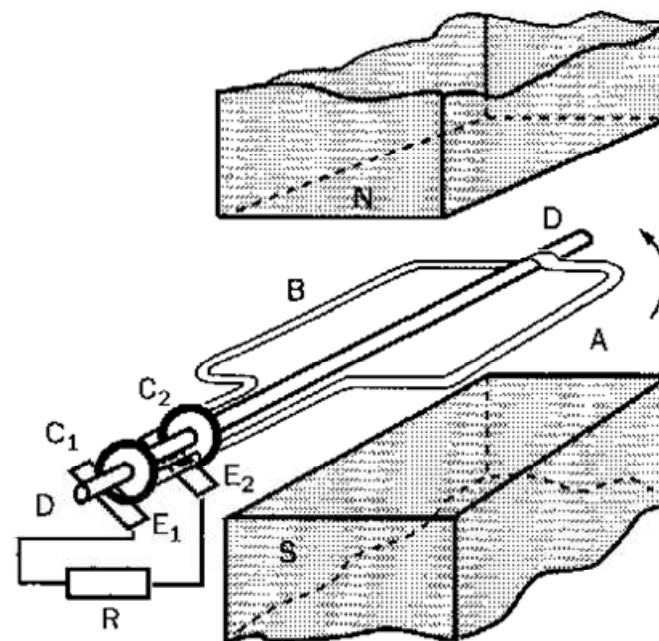


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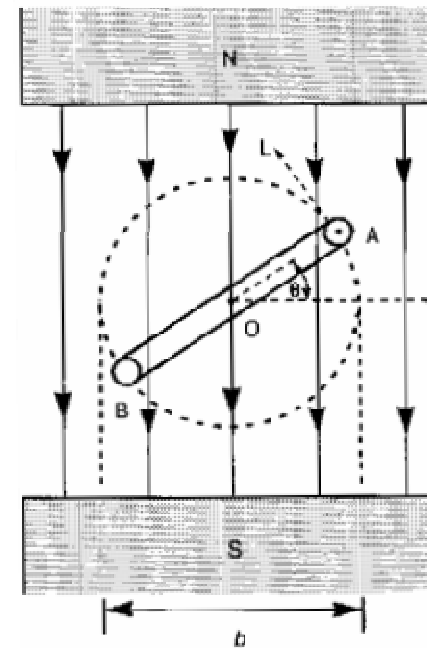
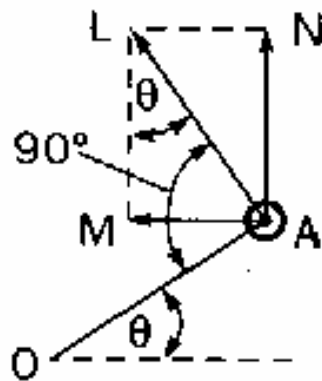
Emf in a rotating coil



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Taking the A part of the loop at an angle  $\theta$  to the horizontal, we can see that if  $AL$  represents velocity  $u$ , then the horizontal component of this at angle  $\theta$  is  $AM = AL \sin \theta$ .



Instantaneous value  
of generated emf

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Going back to the equation,  $E = Blu$ , we now have the emf generated by one side of the loop as:  $Blu \sin \theta$  volts

For both halves of the loop this doubles to:  $e = 2Blu \sin \theta$  volts

The maximum value of voltage generated is when the sine function is unity and gives:  $E_m = 2Blu$  volts

If the loop has a breadth of  $b$  meters and has  $N$  turns and the rotational rate is  $n$  revs/s, then the circumference of the circle the loop makes is  $\pi b$  meters and this gives a speed of  $(\pi bn)$  meters/sec so,

$$e = 2Bl (\pi bn) \sin \theta \text{ volts and } E_{\max} = 2Bl \pi bn \text{ volts}$$

Noting the area of the loop to be  $A = bl$  gives for an  $N$  turn coil:

$$\mathbf{e = 2\pi BAnN \sin \theta \text{ volts}} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{E_m = 2\pi BAnN \text{ volts}}$$



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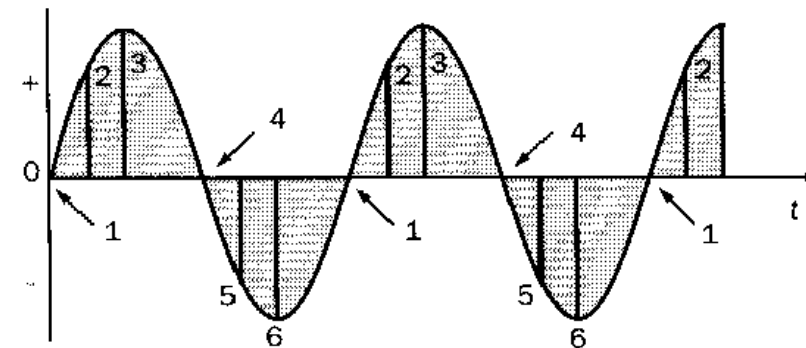
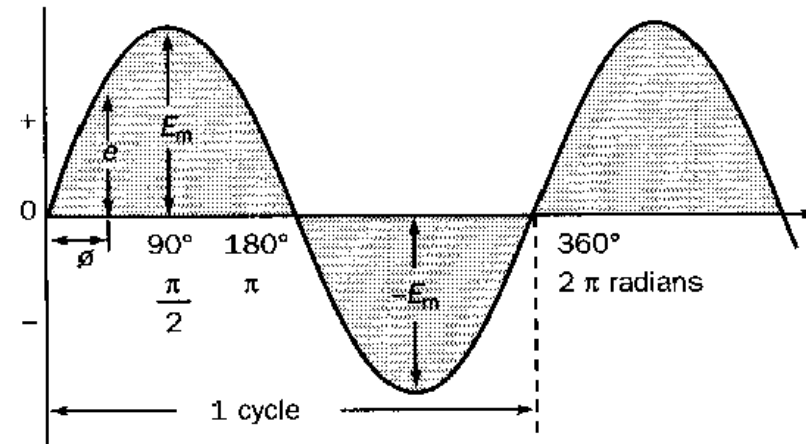
### Waveform Terms and Definitions

- *Waveform*: The variation of voltage or current against time as a graph
- *Cycle*: A complete repetition of the waveform assuming periodicity
- *Period*: The duration of one cycle of the waveform
- *Instantaneous value*: The magnitude at any given instant. Positive or negative.
- *Peak Value*: The maximum value the function can reach
- *Peak-to-peak*: The measure of the range between the maximum and minimum values the function reaches
- *Peak Amplitude*: The maximum instantaneous value measured from the mean value of the waveform
- *Frequency* : This is the inverse of the period. If a waveform has a frequency of 50Hz the period is  $1/50 = 20\text{ms}$ .  
(Hertz (Hz)) In other words the waveform repeats every 20ms

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#### Sine wave



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### Example1

- (a) A coil is wound with 200 turns on a square former with sides 60mm in length. Calculate the maximum value of the emf generated in the coil when it is rotated at 2500r/min in a uniform magnetic field of density 0.9 T.
- (b) What is the frequency of this emf?

Solution in Hughes.

## 2EO1 Circuits and Modelling 2

### AC THEORY

## 2EO1 Circuits and Modelling 2

So far you have studied only the “dc world” where:

- Series and parallel resistive (R) circuits.
- Network theorems: Thevenin and Norton
- Introduced to the Inductor (L) and the Capacitor (C)
- Transients.... (an introduction to temporal variability)

All of these subjects constitute the “fundamentals” on which we can develop the skills required to understand electrical engineering.

BUT batteries (dc) and series/parallel resistive circuits are only a lead in to the “real” world of the electrical engineering. It is not until we introduce time-varying waveforms that electrical engineering will come alive!

## 2EO1 Circuits and Modelling 2

“Circuits and Modelling” is about how the three **passive** components:

Resistor (R) the Capacitor (L) and the Inductor (C)

take on their true significance when they are excited by time varying waveforms.

To (ac) the Capacitor and the Inductor become “frequency dependant”.

When circuits can obtain a frequency dependence then we have the basis for radio, communications, mobile phones, computers – indeed every but of electrical engineering you can think of – full stop!

But all of (ac) is based on some very basic (but essential) concepts.

## 2EO1 Circuits and Modelling 2

The **maths** you already have → complex numbers.

$$(e^{j\theta} = \cos(\theta) + j \sin(\theta))$$

The **waveforms**: well the building blocks are just the sine and the cosine.

$$(\sin(\omega t) \text{ and } \cos(\omega t))$$

This bit of the course is about taking you through the essential steps to set you up to “understand” electrical engineering.

And it has to be **understood**. You can struggle through this course just doing memory work. But if you try to follow what we say to you over the next weeks we hope you will have a **depth of knowledge** that will be able to take with you on your future careers.

For the EE among you this is what (I hope) you have come to university to study!

## Sinusoidal waveforms and the phasor

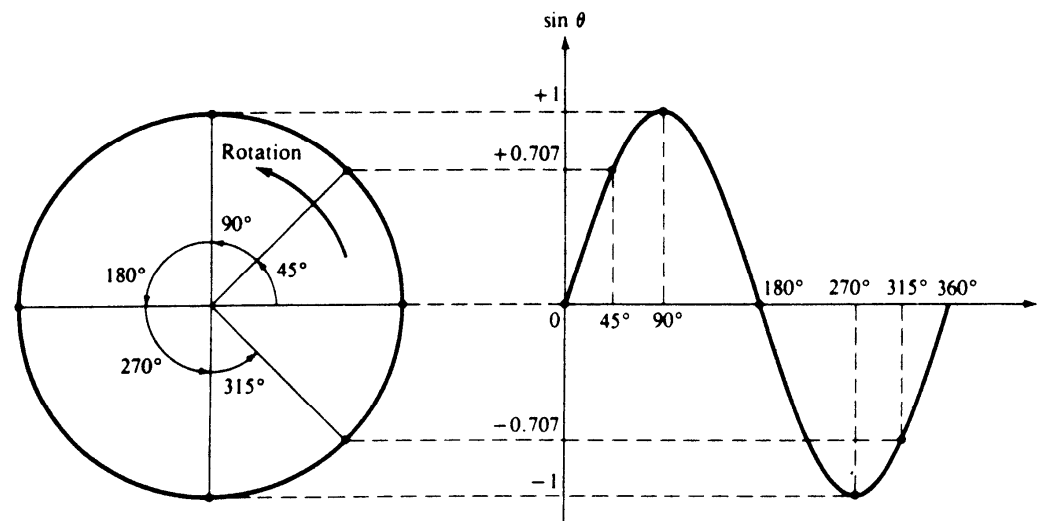
The Sine and cosine waveforms are universally accepted as the fundamental alternating waveforms associated with all aspects of electrical engineering theory.

- sinusoids are readily handled mathematically (trigonometric formulae)
- through the application of Fourier techniques all waveform shapes can be considered as composed of summations of sinusoids of varying frequency, amplitude and phase
- the natural response of many electrical and non-electrical circuits is to generate a sinusoidal responses



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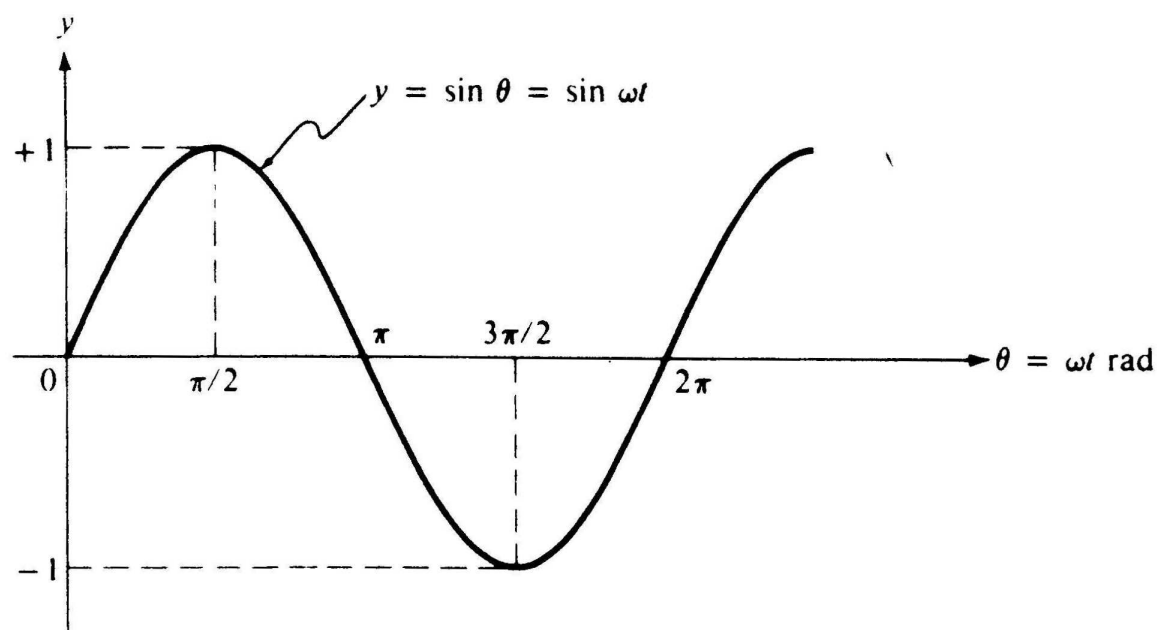
- The sinusoidal and co sinusoidal waveforms can be best understood by considering them as being represented by the horizontal and vertical projection of a rotating phasor.
- Imagine a line rotating in an anticlockwise direction, so that its tip traces out a circle.
- The resultant waveform is the plot  $\sin(\Theta)$  versus  $\Theta$ .



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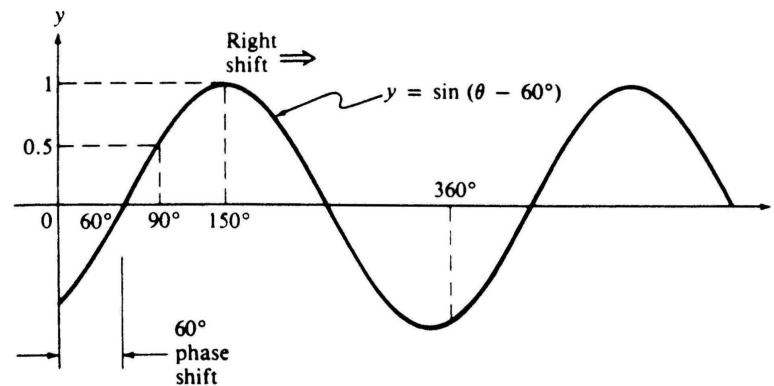
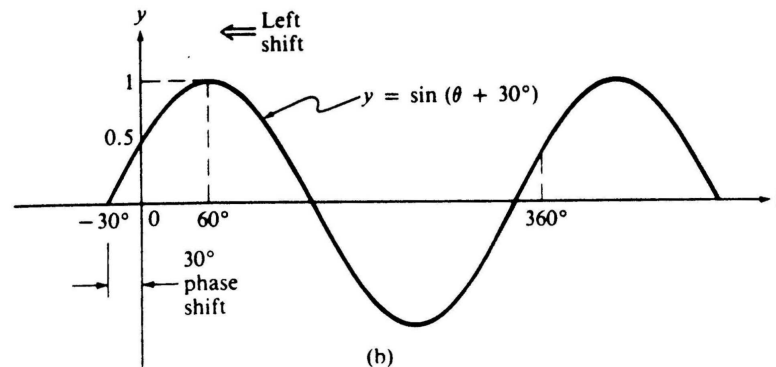
A sine wave can be expressed as a function of time by writing

$$\sin \Theta = \sin \omega t$$

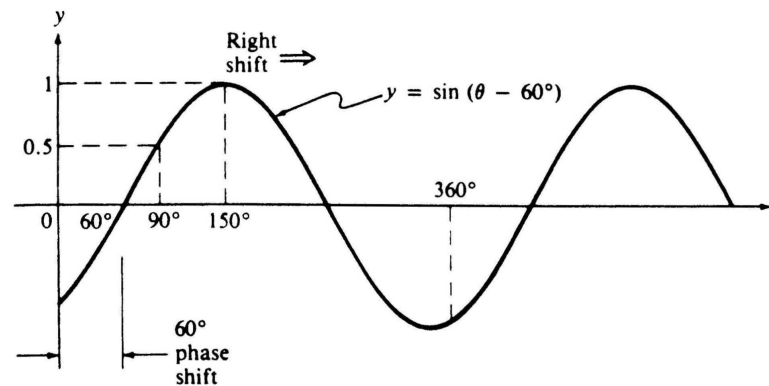
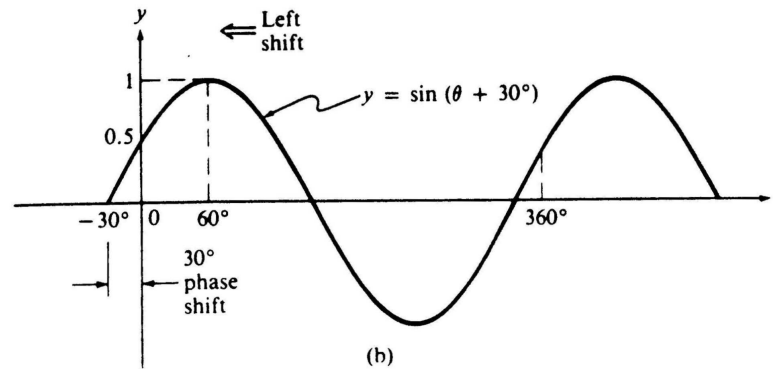


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A phase angle  $\Phi$  can be added to the variable  $\Theta$  or  $\omega t$  to cause the sine wave to shift to the left along the horizontal axis for positive phase angles. A negative phase angle causes the sine wave to shift to the right.

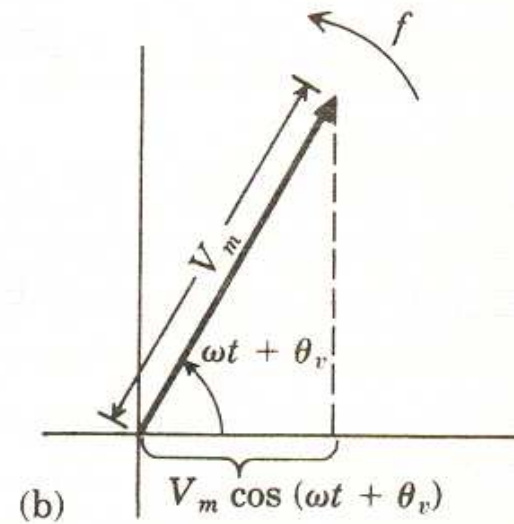
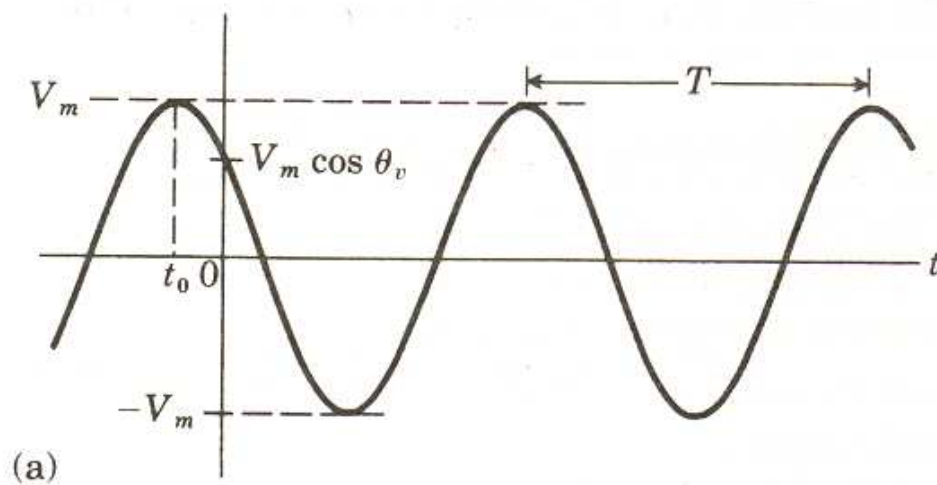


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This PHASE effect – the phase difference between two sinusoidal (co sinusoidal) waveforms is fundamental to all we will do in Electrical Engineering.

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The sine wave is an example of a **periodic** waveform.

If the value of a periodic sine wave is  $f(t_1)$  at time  $t_1$  and is similar at times  $(t_1 + nT)$ , where  $n$  is an integer, then  $T$  is known as the **period** or periodic time of the function.

The **frequency**,  $f$ , of an alternating waveform is the number of cycles that occur in 1 s. Frequency is inversely proportional to period. Thus  $f = 1/T$ . The units of frequency are cycles per second or in SI units **Hz**.

One cycle is the same as  $2\pi$  radians. The number of radians produced in 1 s is  $(2\pi)$  times  $(f)$ , or  **$\omega = 2\pi f$  radians per second**

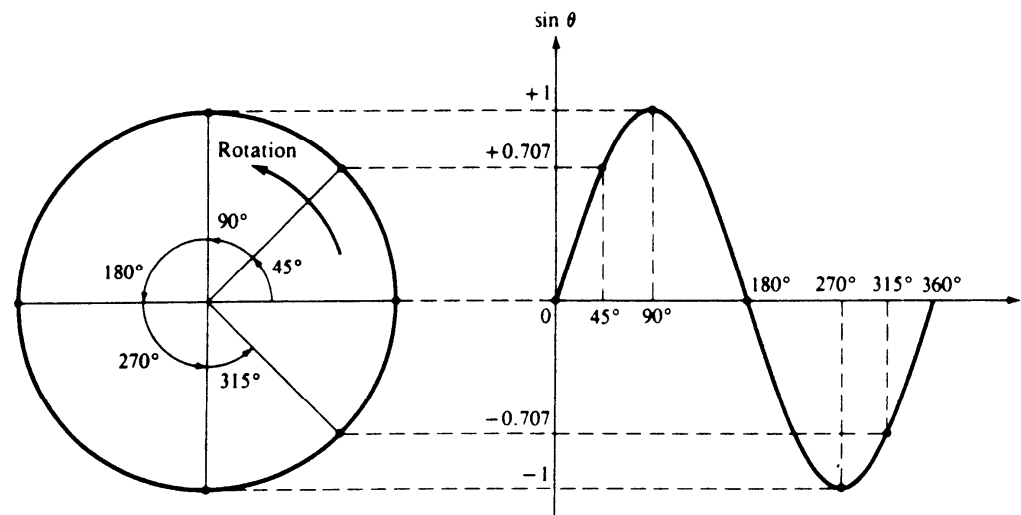
$\omega$  is the **angular frequency**.

Now  $\sin \omega t$  is sine (angle) and **angle has units of radians**. Remember to set your calculator to radian measurement!

## Sinusoidal waveforms and the phasor

The sinusoidal wave,  $V \sin (\omega t + \Phi)$  volts is described by the three variables:

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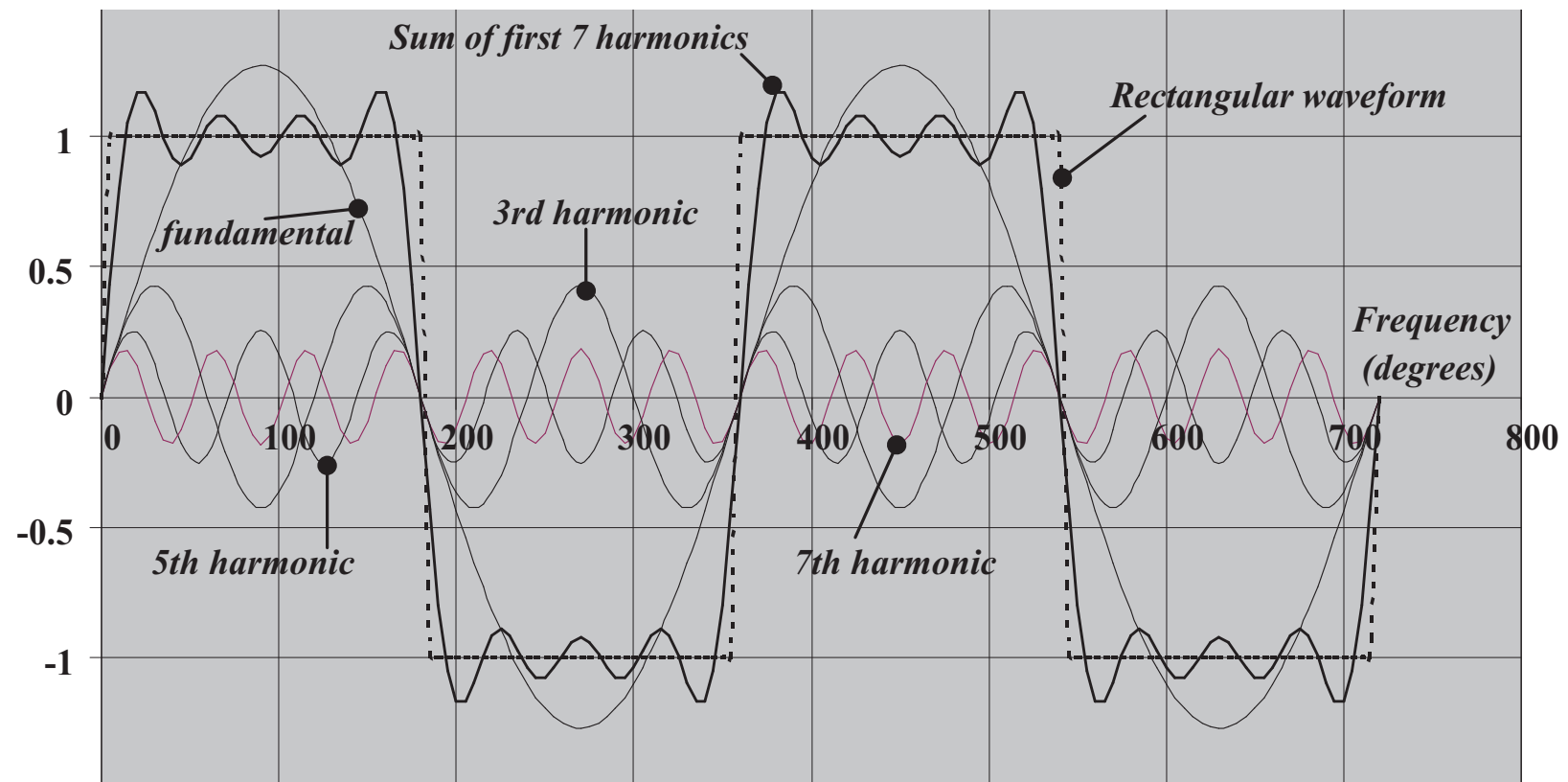
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Phase must be in radians.

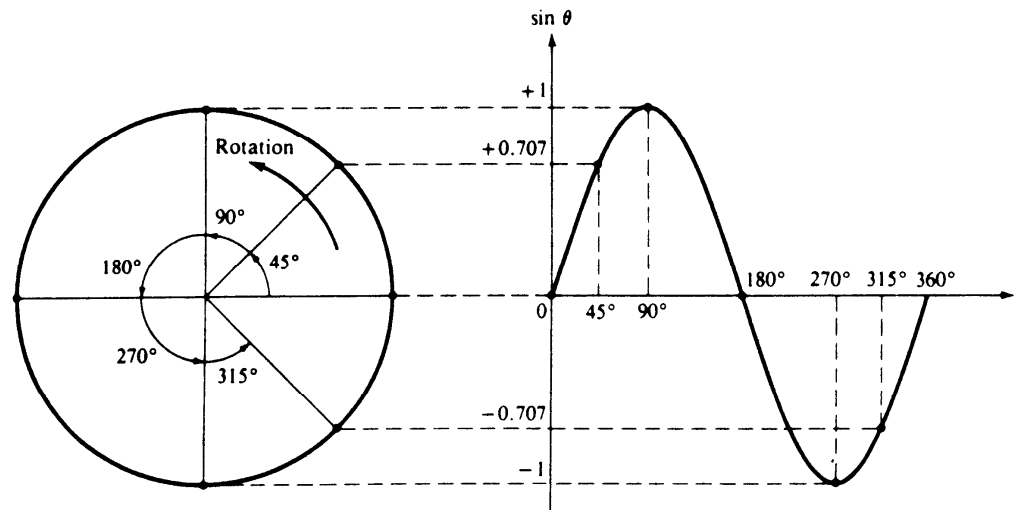
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## Sinusoidal waveforms and the phasor: Summary



The horizontal projection of a rotating line or *phasor*

The phasor is a convenient mathematical model for sinusoidal alternating waveforms and can be represented as

$$v(t) = V \exp. j(\omega t + \Phi)$$

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As  $(\omega t)$  has units of radians, so the phase angle  $\Phi$ , must also have units of radians.

For convenience we refer to the **horizontal** (right-hand) x-axis as the reference, i.e. a phase of zero degrees.

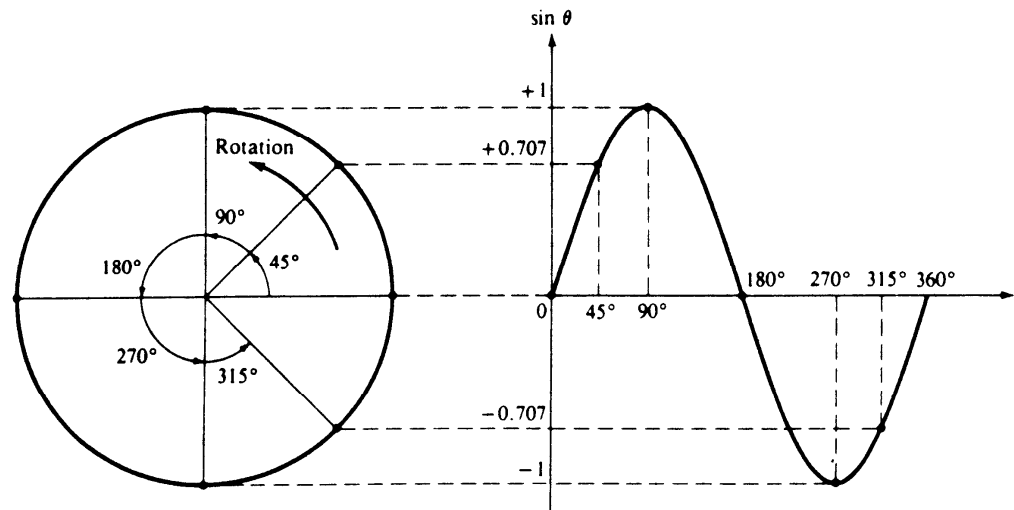
$$v(t) = V \exp. j(\omega t + \Phi) = V \{\cos(\omega t + \Phi) + j \sin(\omega t + \Phi)\}$$

The cosine wave can be considered as the **real** part:  $\text{Re}[v(t)]$

The sine wave the **imaginary** part:  $\text{Im}[v(t)]$

The designations real (Re) and imaginary (Im) are simply there to differentiate between the two directional components.

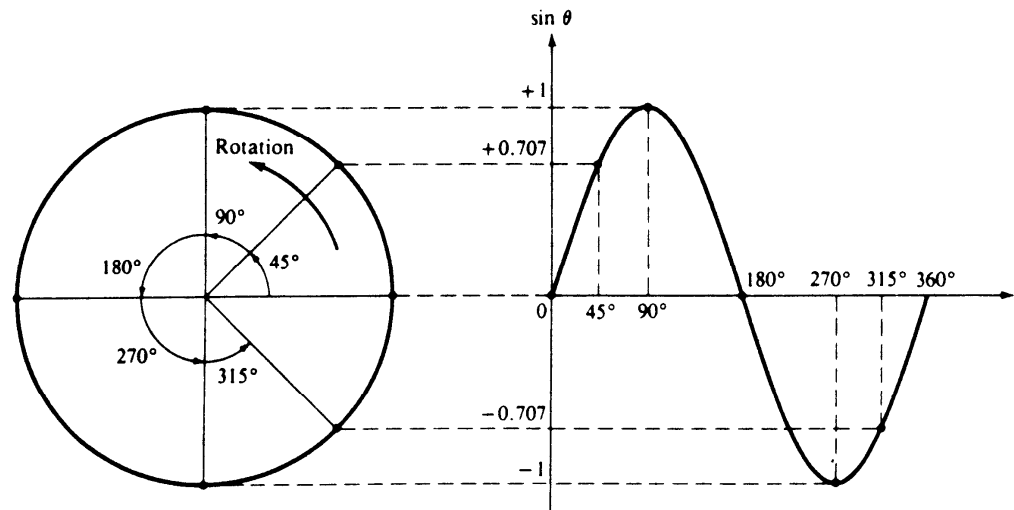
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As alternating circuit theory is founded on phasors,  
i.e. a two dimensional co-ordinate axis system  
mathematical manipulations must inevitably use **complex number** theory.

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## Phasor Demonstration

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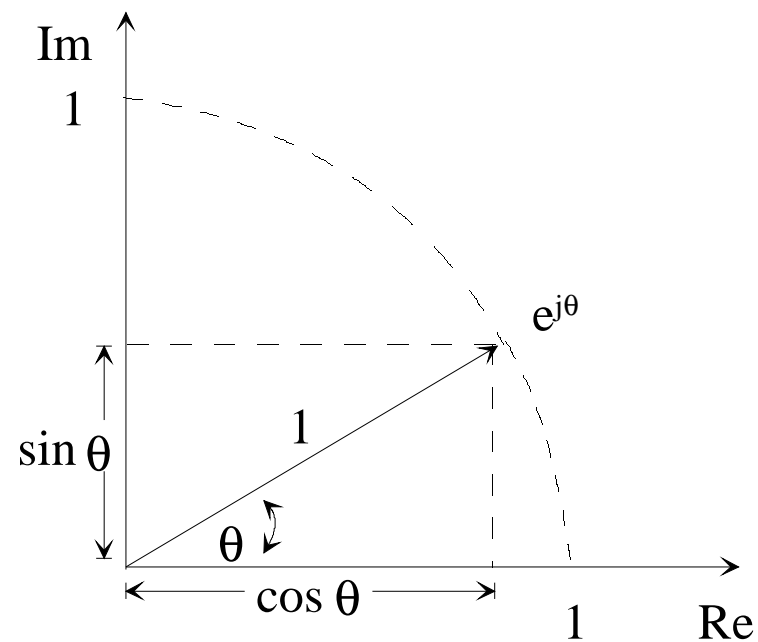
### Phase Angles and the phasor representation

In using the phasor as a mathematical tool to represent the sine and cosine functions we will restrict ourselves (for the moment) to:

- a. linear circuits that have multiple “input” and “output” phasors all of which rotate at the *same angular frequency*
- b. Multiple phasors can be “frozen in time”; it is only the relative phase between one phasor and another that is of importance in ac theory.

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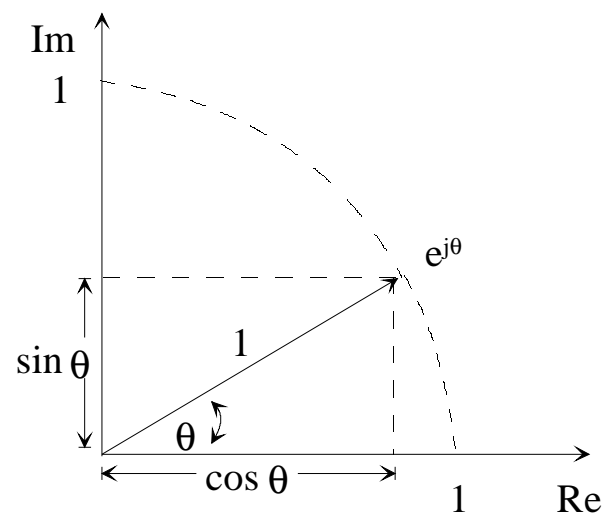


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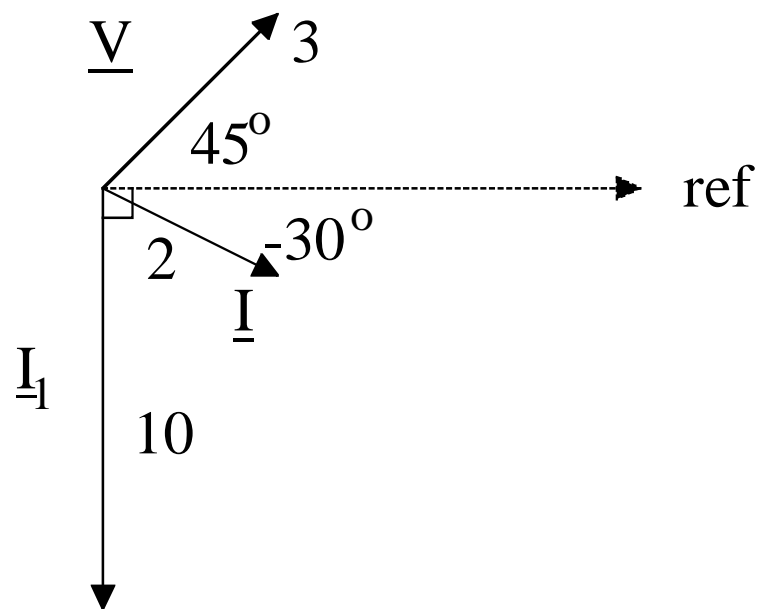
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polar form	exponential form	rectangular form
<i>vector</i>	<i>exponential functions</i>	<i>complex numbers</i>
$\underline{V} \equiv V \angle \underline{\Theta}$	$V = e^{j\theta}$	$V \{ \cos \Theta + j \sin \Theta \}$ $\rightarrow$ $\text{Re}[e^{j\theta}] + j \text{Im}[e^{j\theta}]$

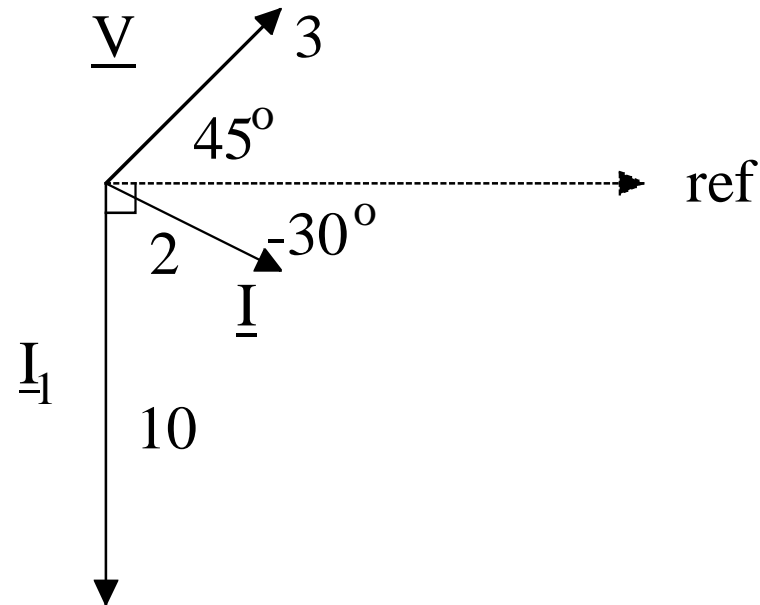
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Example 1



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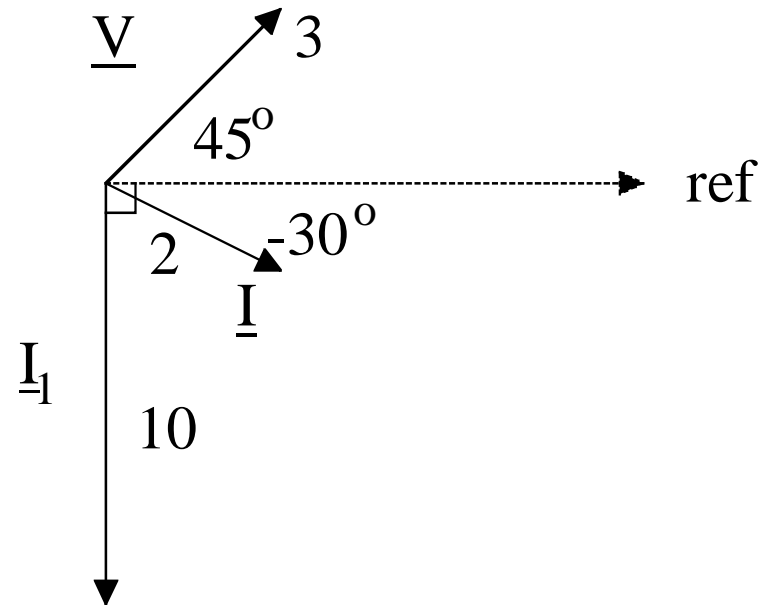
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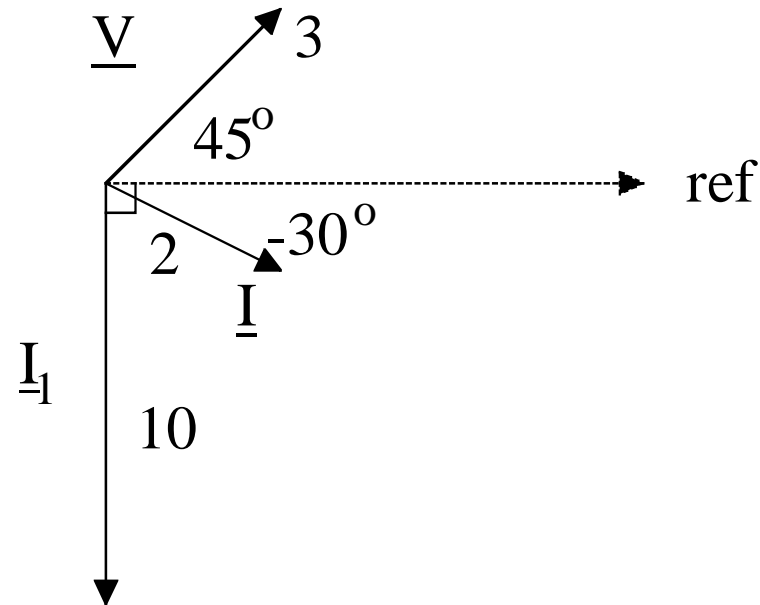


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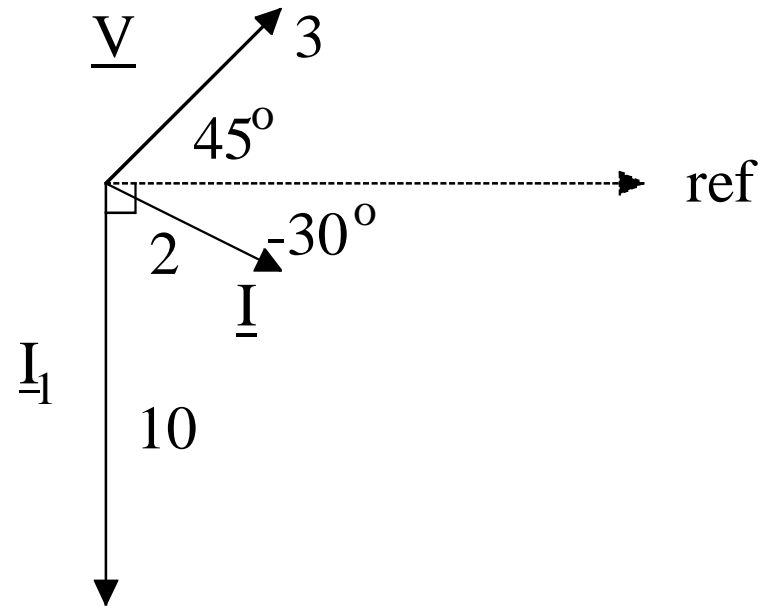
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$$i_1(t) = 10 \sin (\omega t) = 10 \cos (\omega t - 90^\circ) \rightarrow \underline{I}_1 = 10 / \underline{-90^\circ} \text{ amps}$$

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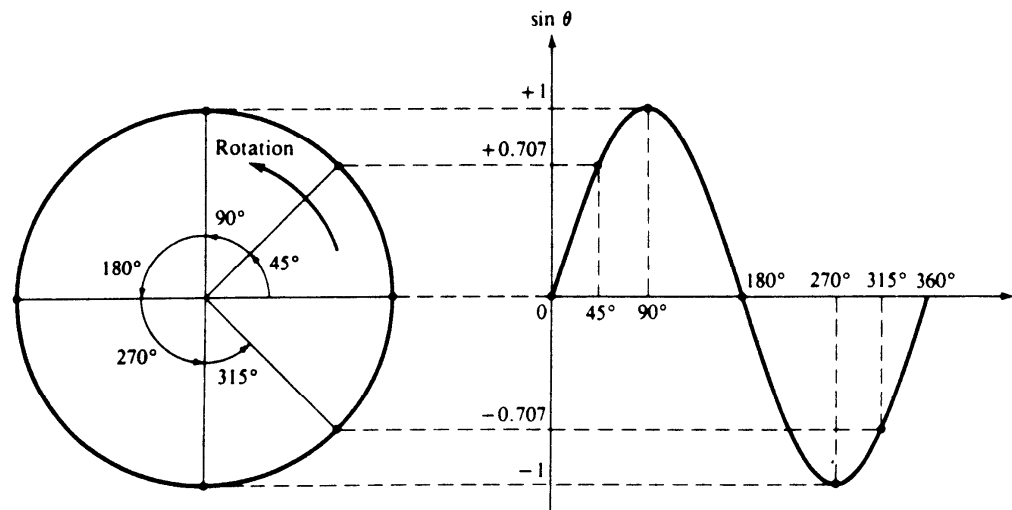
$$T = 1/f = 1/500 = 2 \text{ ms}$$

## Sinusoidal waveforms and the phasor

### Phase relationships between sinusoids of the same frequency

When we write  $V \sin (\omega t + \Phi)$  we understand from the mathematics of this equation

- waveform shape is sinusoidal
- it can be pictured as a phasor of magnitude  $V$  volts rotating anticlockwise at an angular rotation of  $\omega \text{ rads}^{-1}$

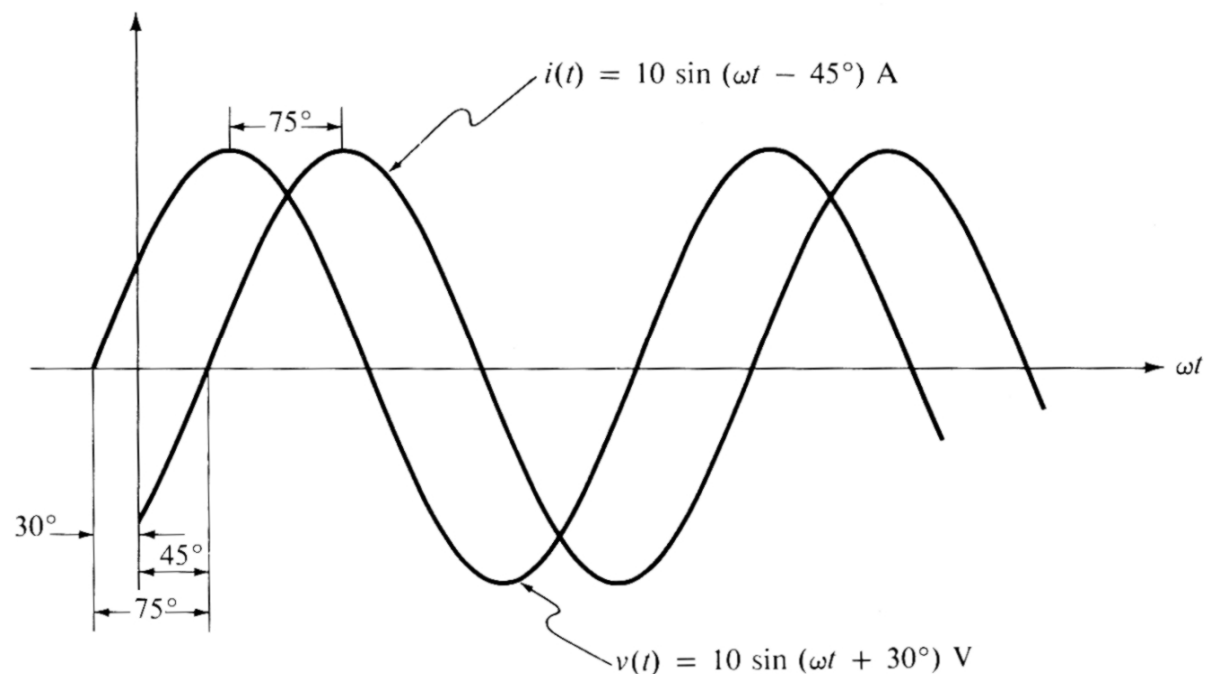


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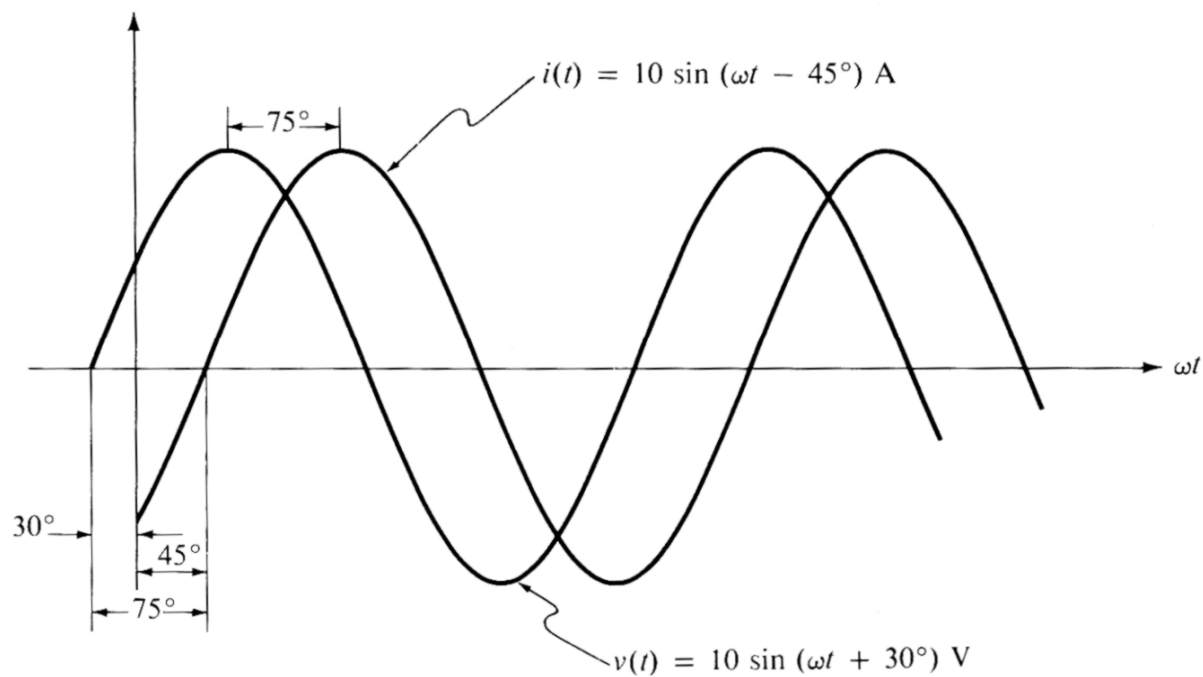
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- One interpretation is that the temporal waveform at  $t = 0$  (?) has a value of  $\sin(\Phi)$ .
- But it is usually phase difference that matters in electrical engineering; i.e. our interest lies in the phase of one phasor relative to another.



## Sinusoidal waveforms and the phasor



A voltage  $10 \sin(\omega t + 30^\circ)$  volts, and a current  $10 \sin(\omega t - 45^\circ)$  amps.

$v(t)$  leads  $i(t)$ .

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### Example 1: Leading and Lagging

What is the phase relationship between:

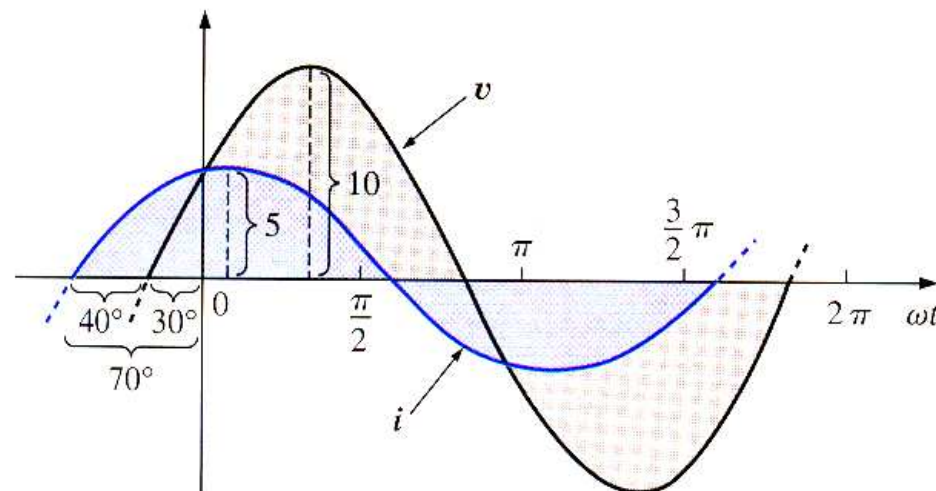
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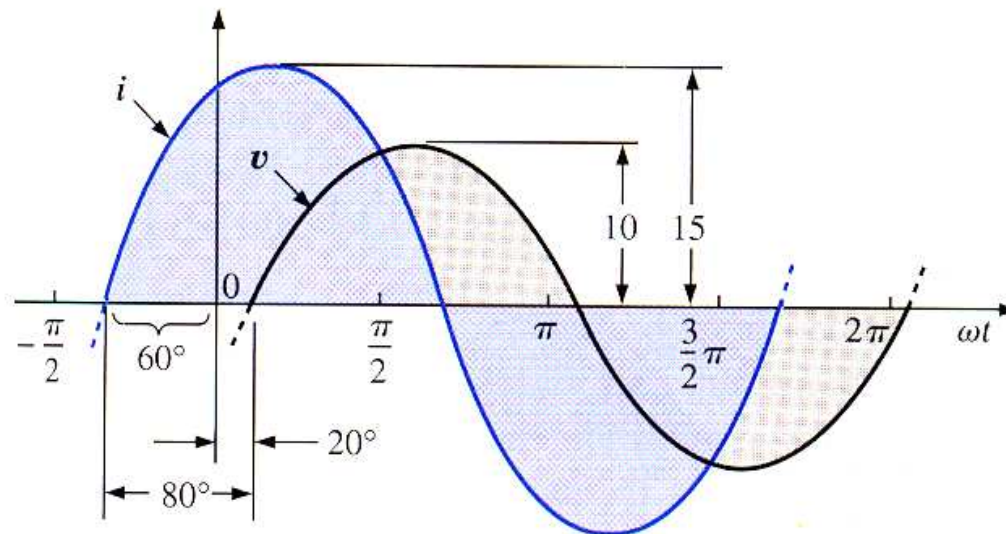


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$i(t)$  LEADS  $v(t)$  by  $80^\circ$

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### Example 3: Leading and Lagging

What is the phase relationship between:

$$v(t) = 3 \sin (\omega t - 10^\circ) \text{ volts and } i(t) = 2 \cos (\omega t + 10^\circ) \text{ amps ?}$$

Note: you cannot mix sine and cosine terms!

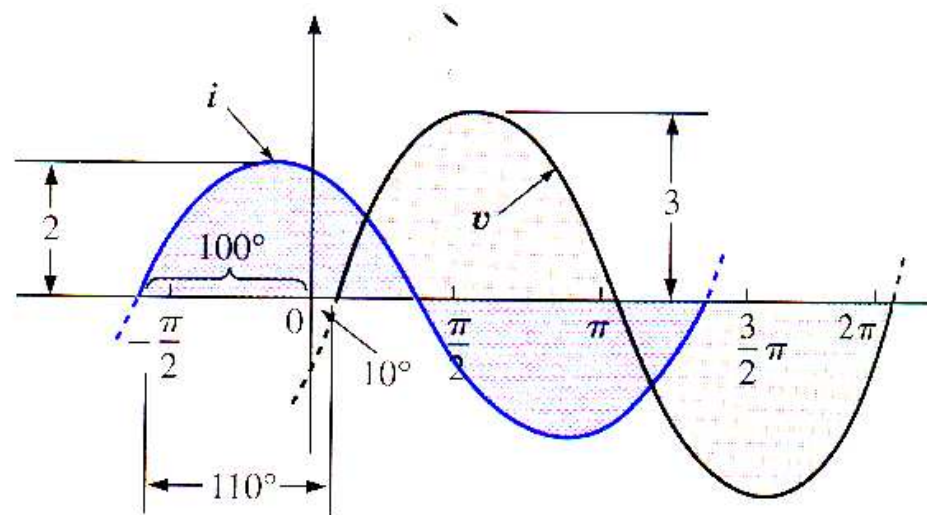
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Note:  $\cos (\omega t + 10^\circ) = \sin (\omega t + 10^\circ + 90^\circ) = \sin (\omega t + 100^\circ)$



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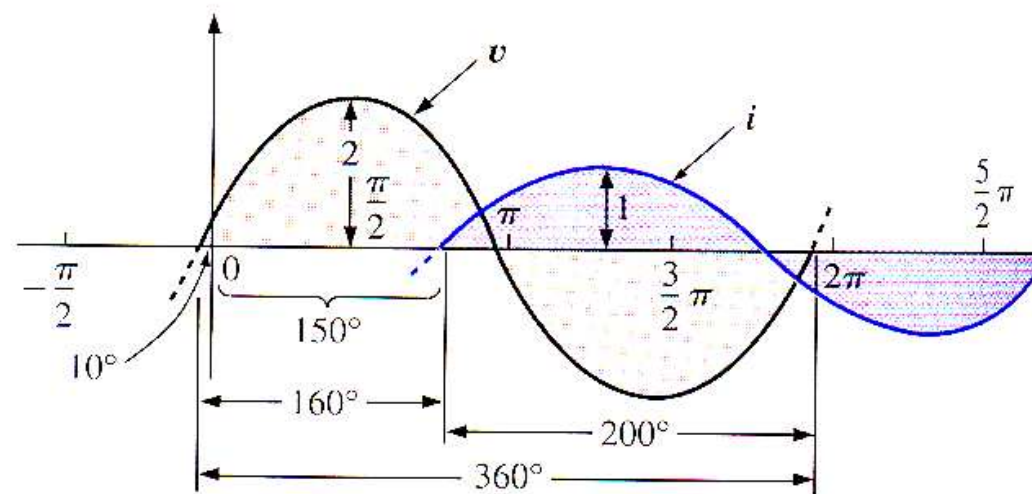
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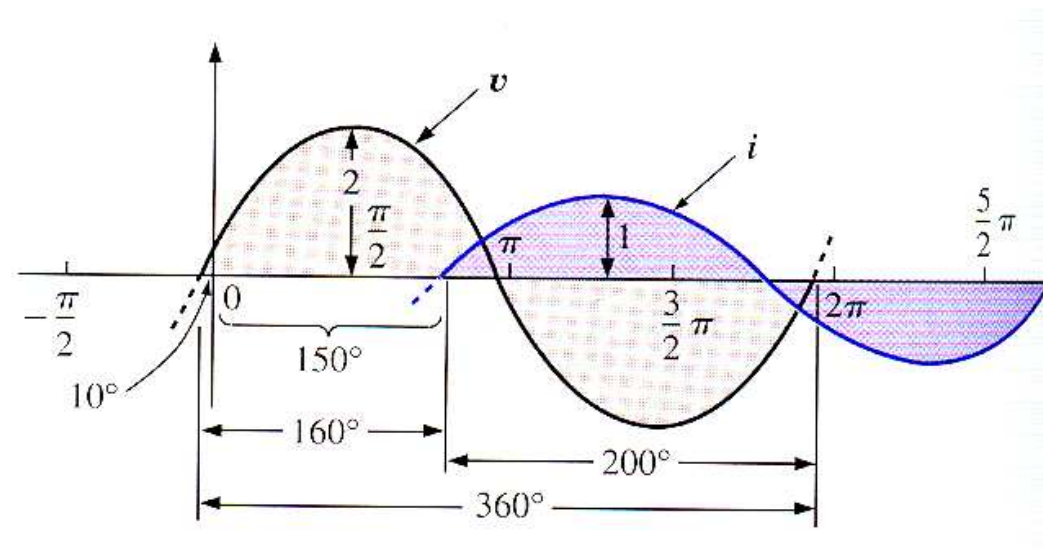
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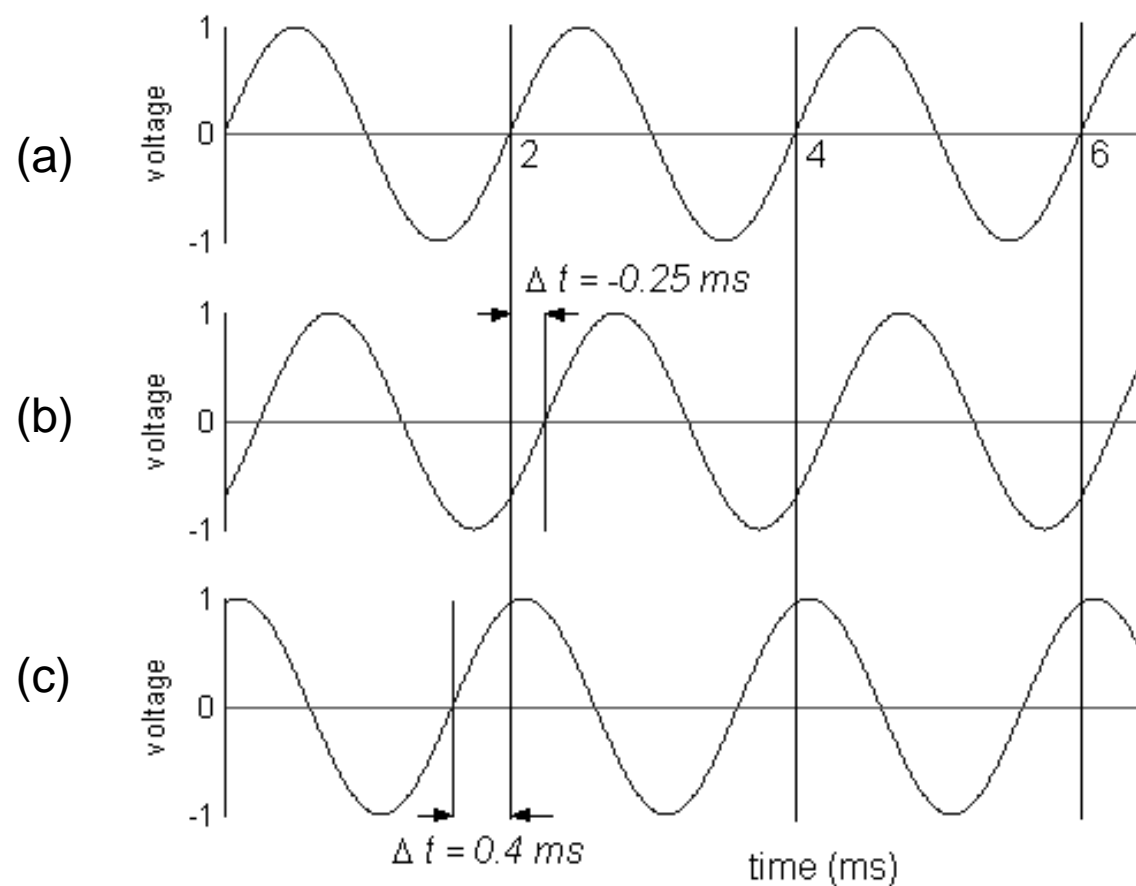


$i(t)$  LEADS  $v(t)$  by  $200^\circ$

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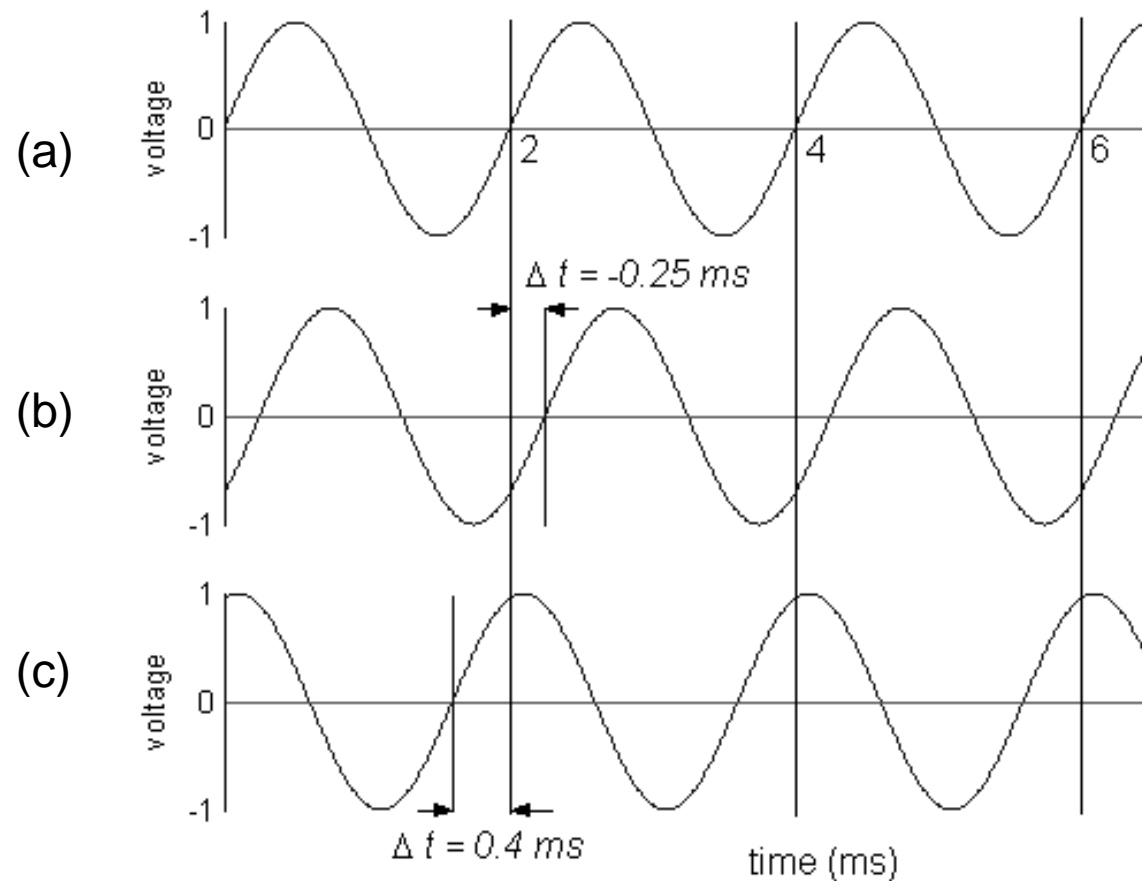
Answer:

(c) LEADS (a) by  
0.4 ms.

As the period is 2 ms:

2 ms  $\rightarrow$   $360^\circ$  (or  $2\pi$  rad)

So 0.4 ms  $\rightarrow 72^\circ$

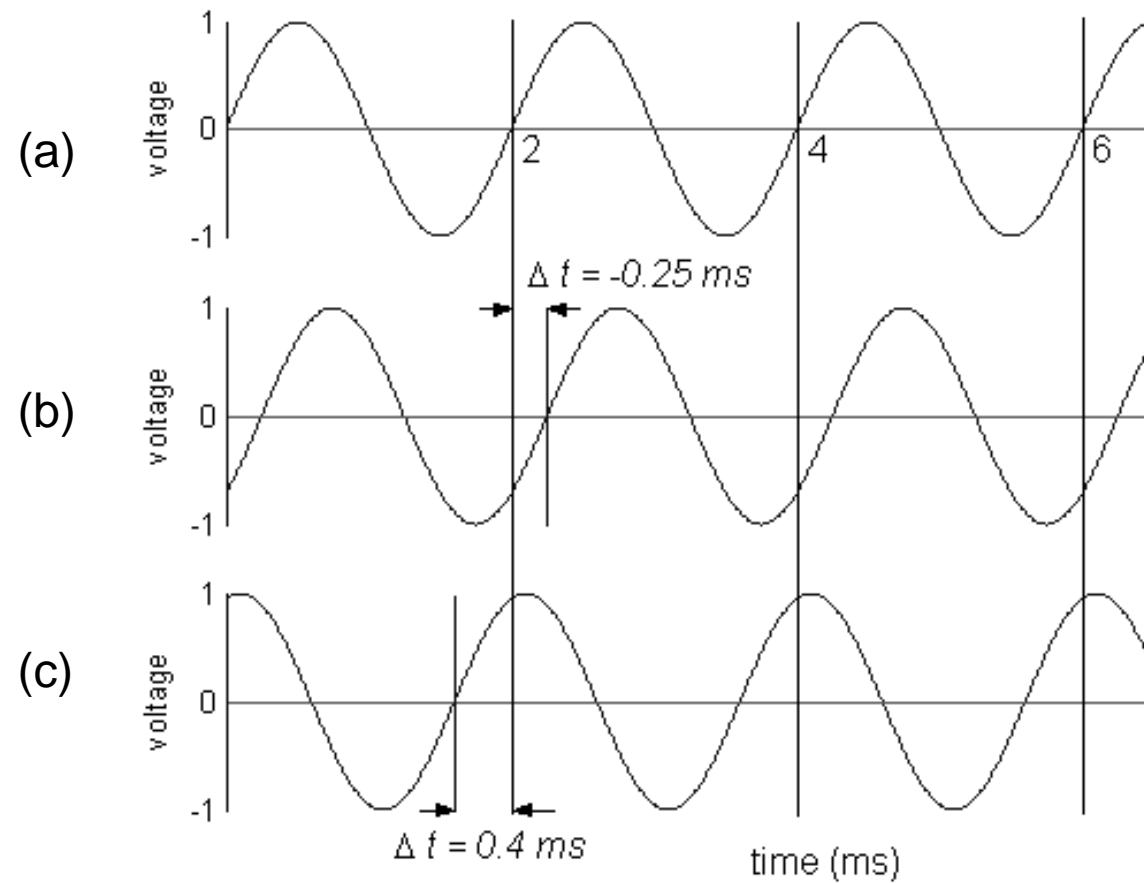




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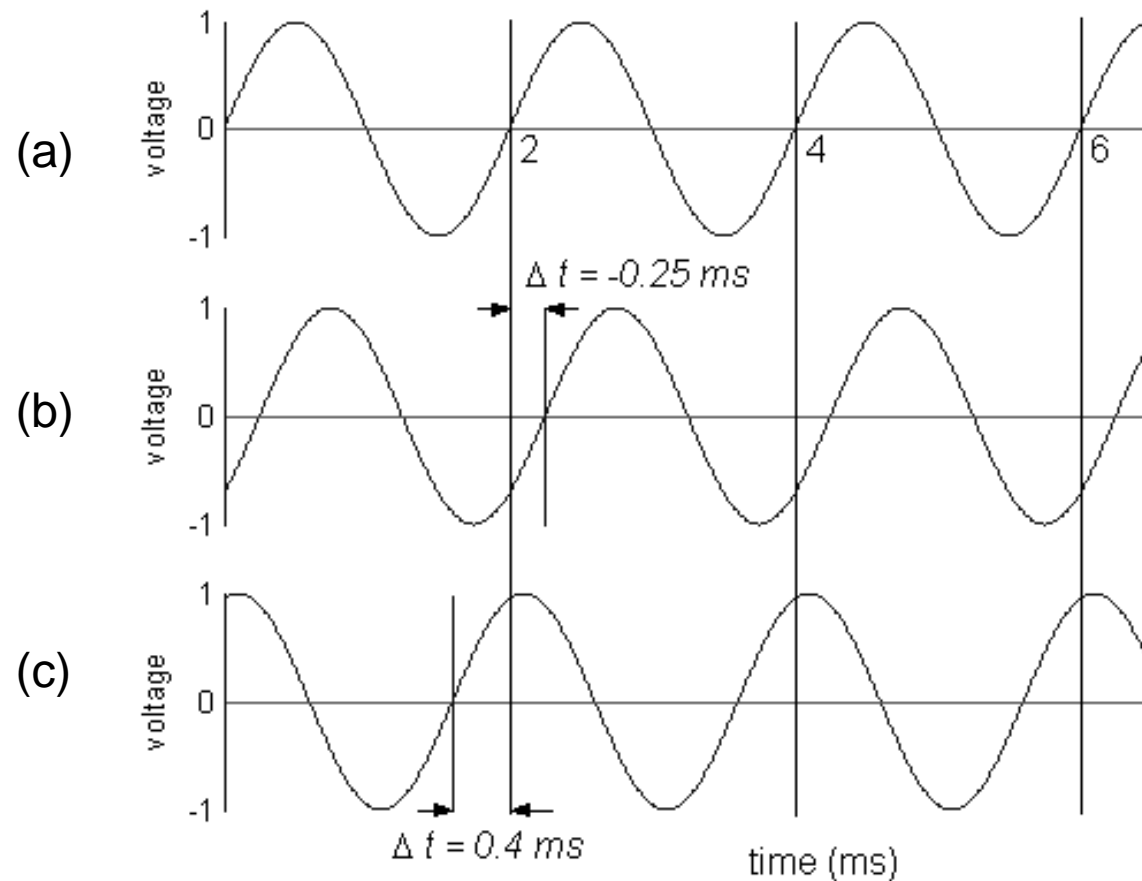
Answer:

(c) LEADS (a) by  $72^\circ$

But (b) LAGS (a) by:

$$(0.25/2) \times 2\pi = \pi/4 \quad (45^\circ)$$

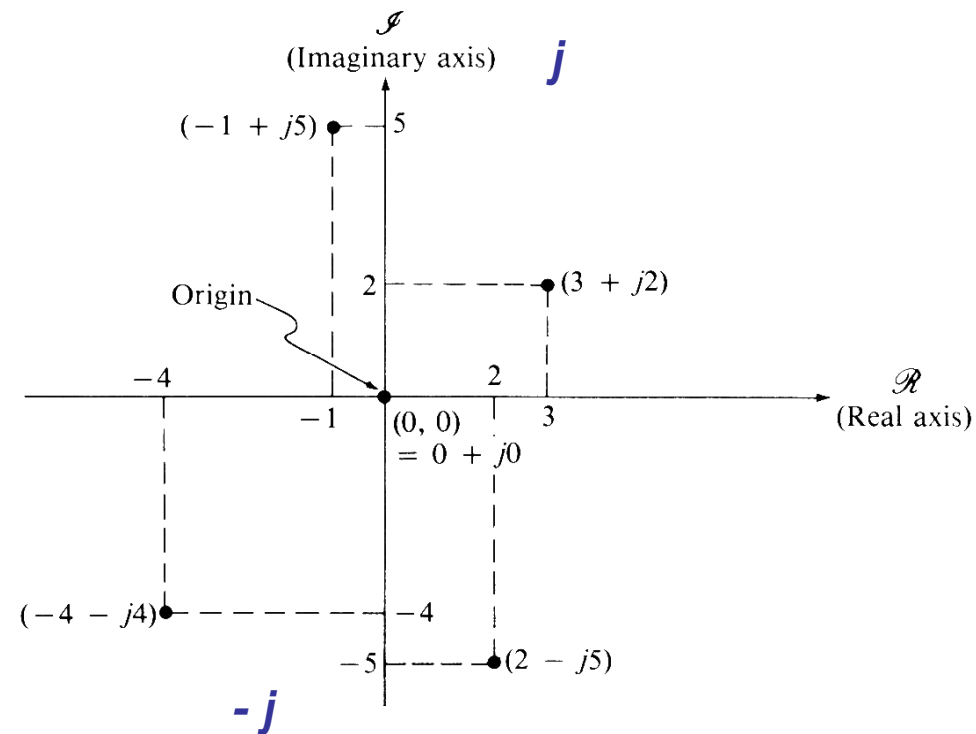
Hence phase difference between (b) and (c) is  $72^\circ + 45^\circ = 117^\circ$



## Sinusoidal waveforms and the phasor

### REVISION: Complex Numbers (The $j$ 90° operator)

The complex plane is a rectangular co-ordinate system in which real numbers are plotted along the horizontal (real) axis and imaginary numbers along the vertical axis.



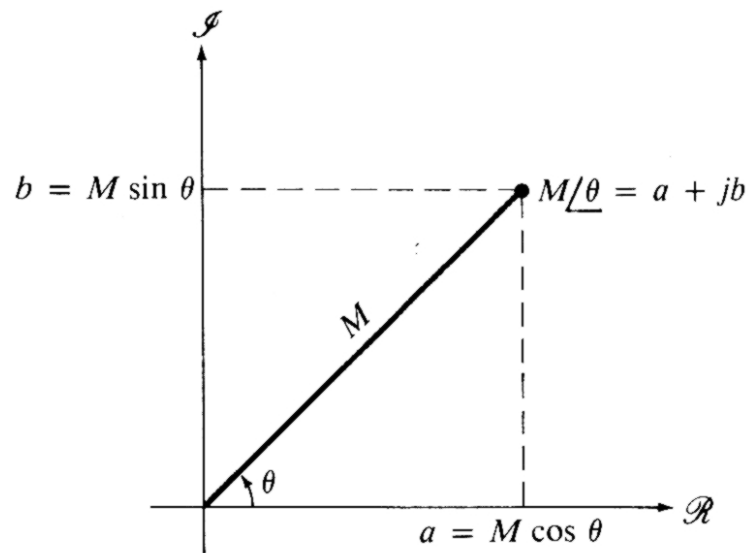
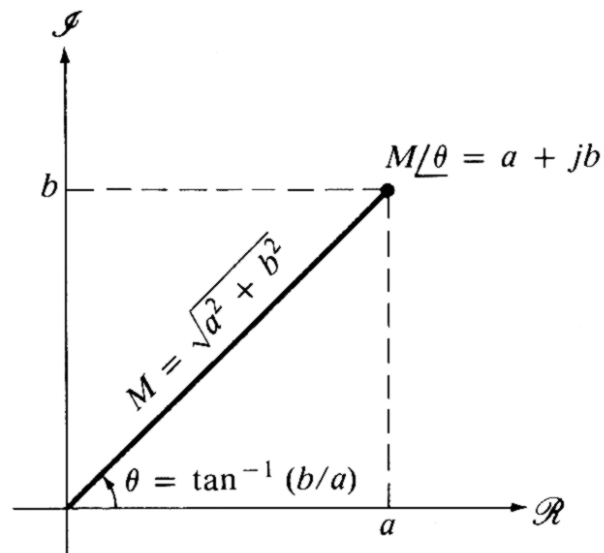
$$j = \sqrt{-1}$$

## Sinusoidal waveforms and the phasor

### REVISION: Complex Numbers

The representation  $(a + j b)$  is called the rectangular form of a complex number. Every complex number can also be represented in polar form:

$y = M \angle \theta$  where  $M$  is the magnitude of  $y$  and  $\theta$  is its *angle*.



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To get the answer back in polar notation, we do the reverse

$$(24.5 + j 8.1) \Rightarrow \mathbf{25.8 / \underline{18.3^\circ} \text{ volts.}}$$

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This is straight forward as both currents are in polar co-ordinates.

$\Rightarrow 180/1.5 / (\underline{27^\circ - 85^\circ}) = 120 / \underline{-58^\circ}$  amps.

## Sinusoidal waveforms and the phasor

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Example:

If  $(1 + j 2)$  was multiplied by  $(2 + j 6)$  then we have to do the rectangular to polar conversion and then the multiplication.

## Sinusoidal waveforms and the phasor

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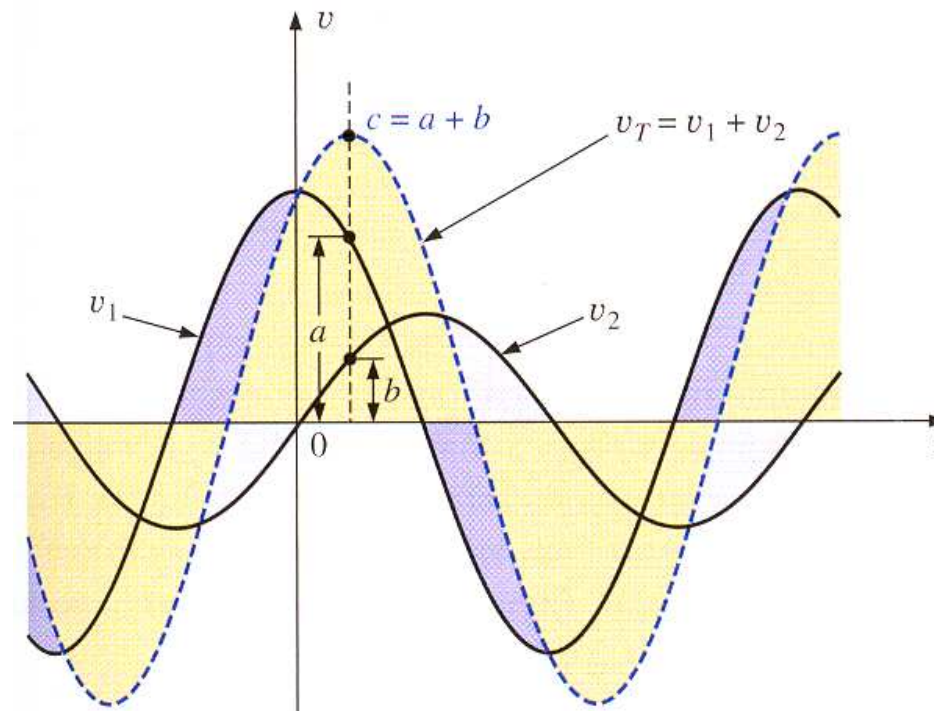
**Everything we do in ac theory will rely on complex manipulation and  
rectangular  $\Leftrightarrow$  polar conversions.**

**Learn to use your calculator to do this manipulation**

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### Example: Phasors and sinusoidal waveforms

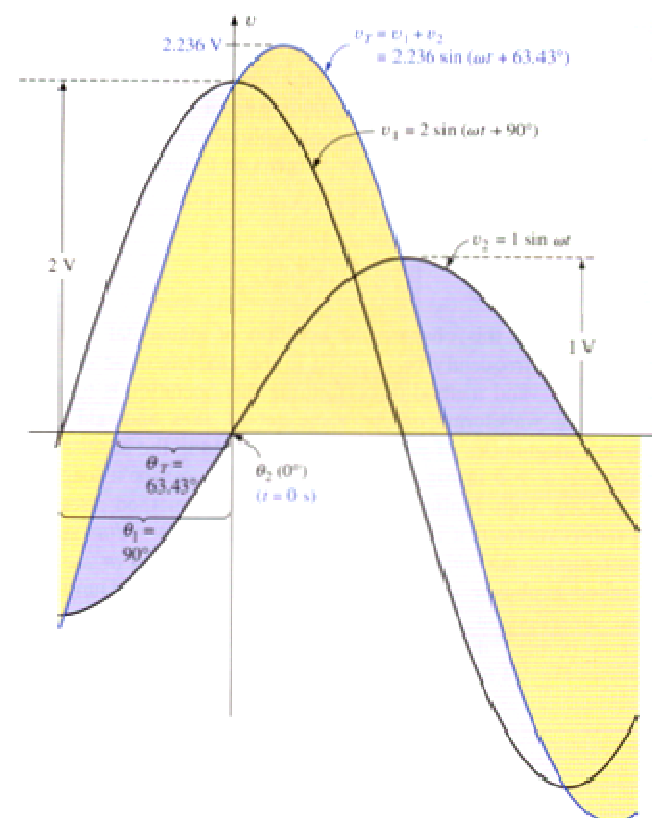
The addition of sinusoidal voltages and currents is ***constantly*** required in ac circuit analysis. One perfectly valid method of adding such waveforms is to place both sinusoidal waveforms on the same set of axis and add algebraically the magnitude of each at every point along the abscissa.



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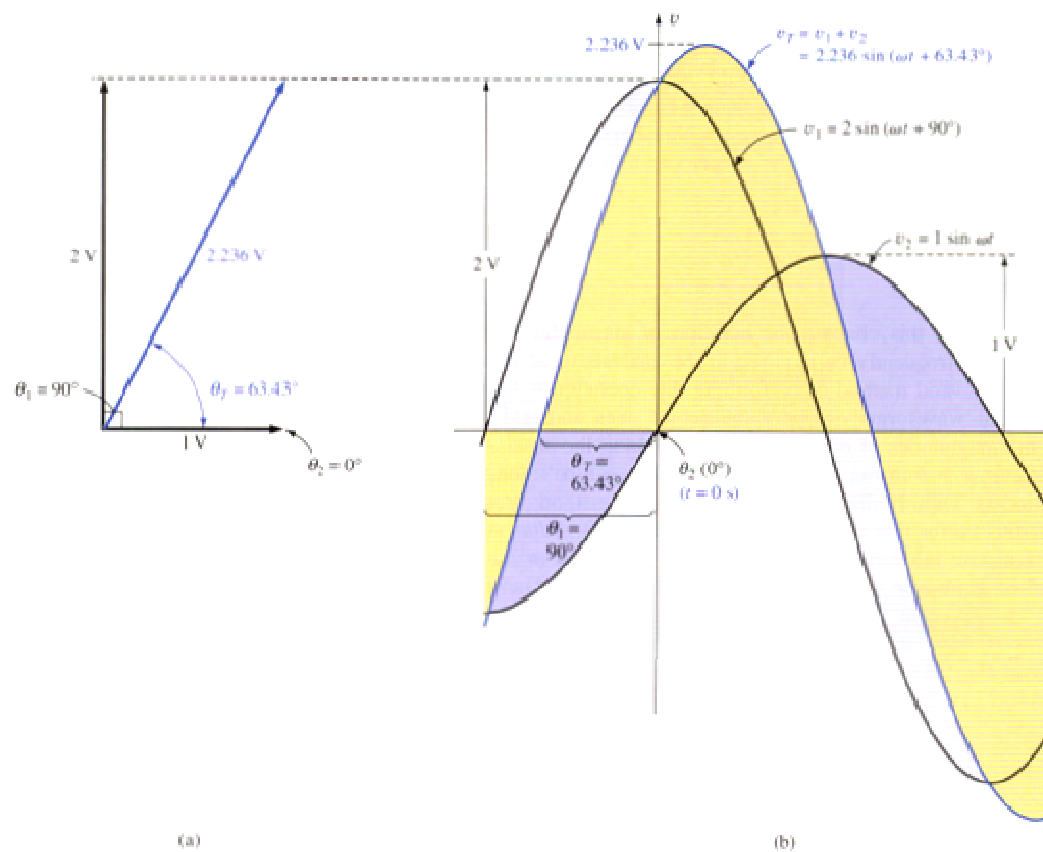
Consider this example of a  
1 volt peak sine wave and a  
2 volt peak cosine wave  
added together.



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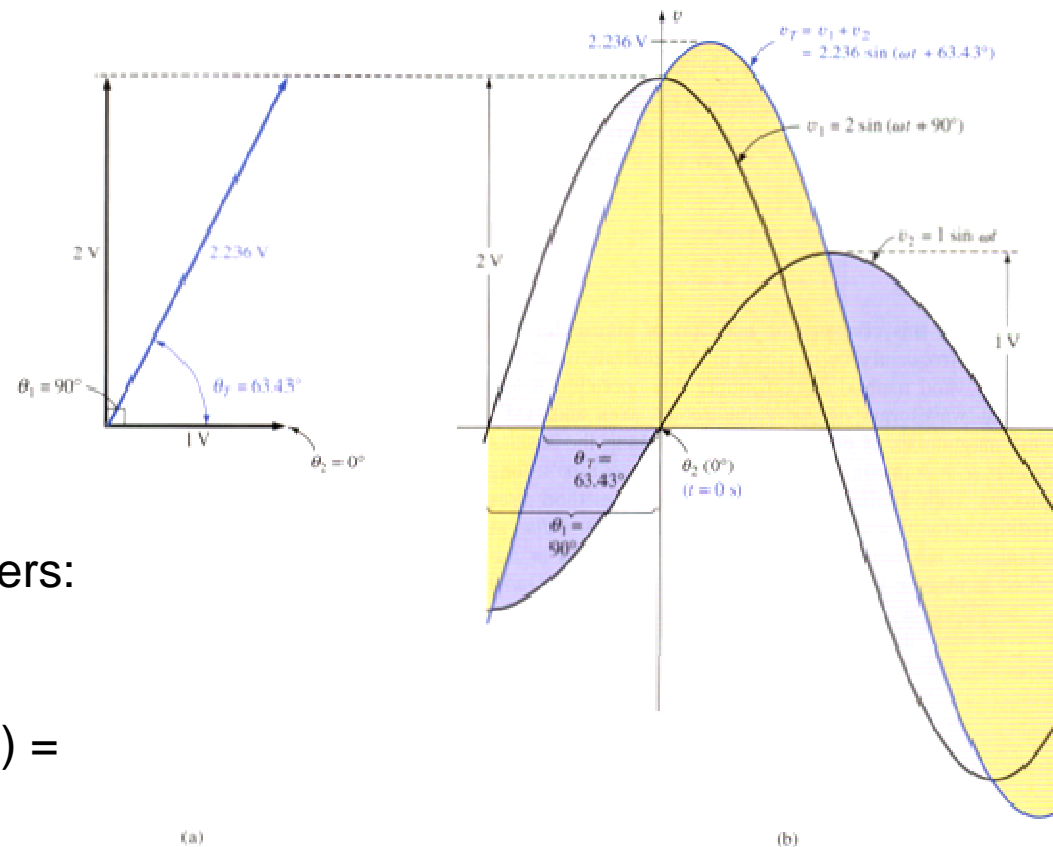
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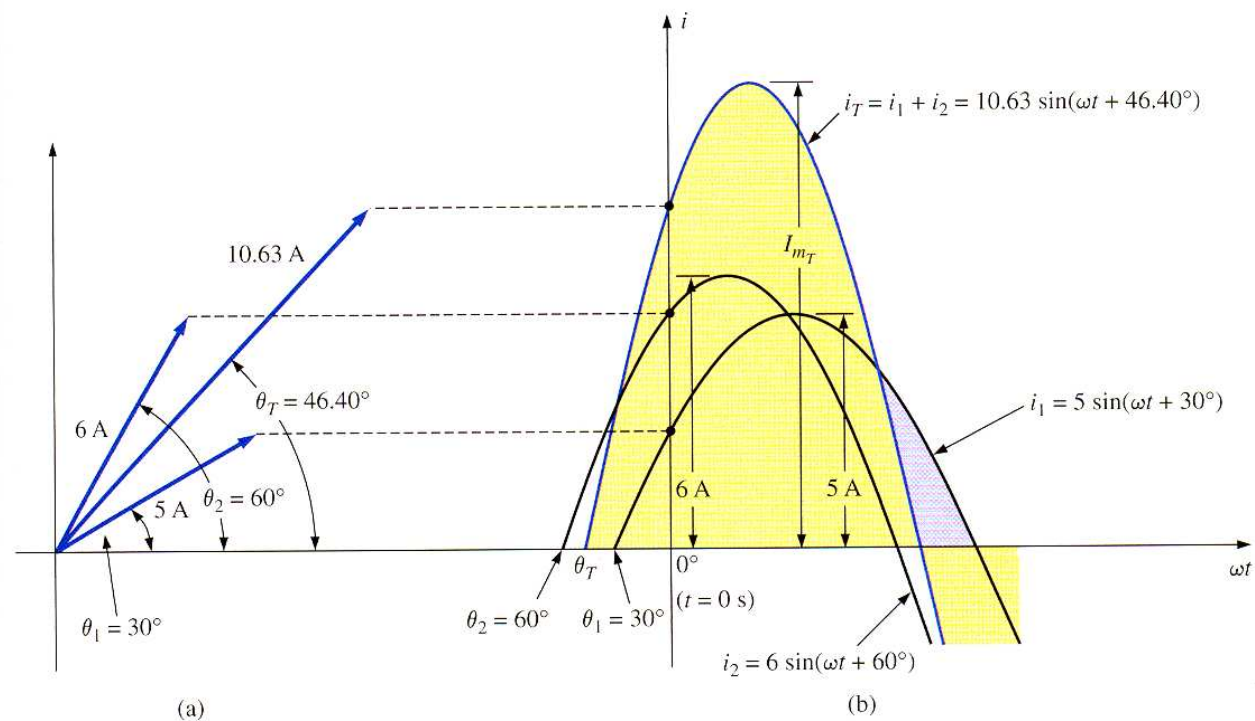
Using complex numbers:

$$1/\underline{0^\circ} + 2/\underline{90^\circ} = (1 + j 2) =$$

$$\rightarrow \underline{2.236/63.43^\circ} \text{ volts.}$$

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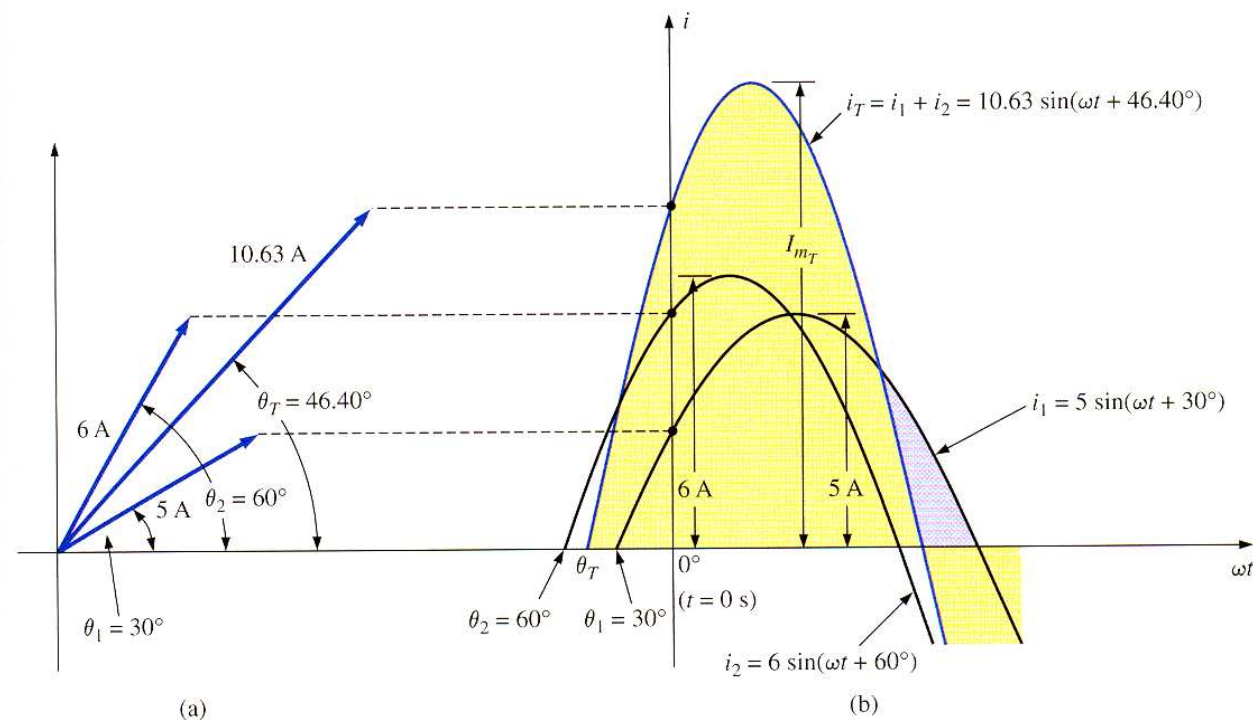
$$i_1(t) = 5/30^\circ \text{ A}$$

$$i_2(t) = 6/60^\circ \text{ A}$$

$$\begin{aligned} i_1(t) + i_2(t) &= \\ (4.33 + j 2.5) + \\ (3.000 + j 5.196) \end{aligned}$$

$$= (7.33 + j 7.696)$$

$$\rightarrow \underline{10.628/46.39^\circ \text{ A}}$$



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Returning to cosine waves.....

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## The Passive components

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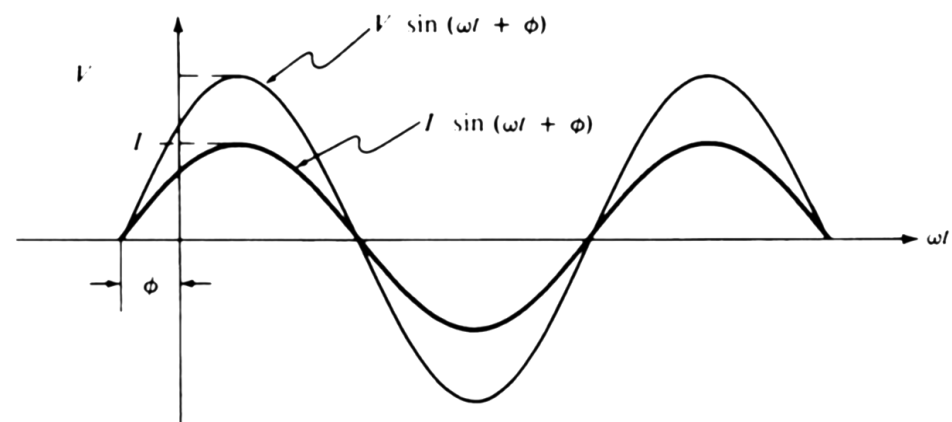
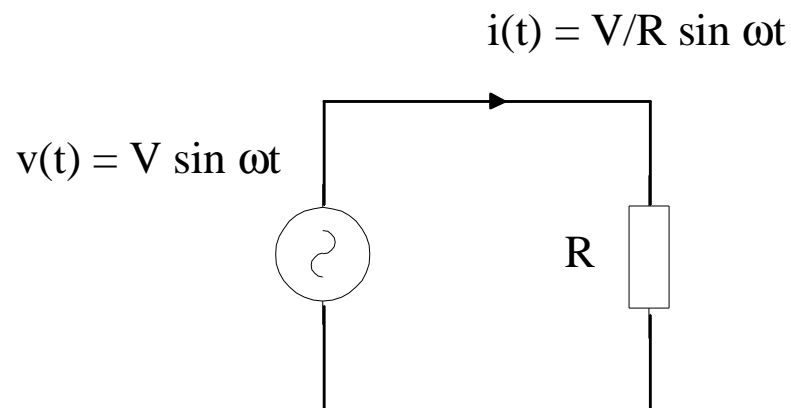
Clearly we have to understand in depth how all three behave, particularly as we change the frequency of the excitation waveform.

We will only consider sine and cosine waveform excitation this year.

## The Passive components: Resistor

### ac voltage and current in the Resistor

Ohm's Law can be applied to an ac circuit containing a resistance to determine the ac current in the resistance when an ac voltage is connected.



$$i(t) = V/R \sin \omega t$$

In a resistor voltage and current are in phase



## The Passive components: Resistor

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You will recall that in a dc circuit power can be calculated using any of the three relationships:

$$VI \quad I^2R \quad V^2/R \quad \text{Watts.}$$

In ac circuits both voltage and current are time-varying quantities, and so therefore is power.

The power at any instant, *the instantaneous power*, can be computed using instantaneous values of voltage and/or current.

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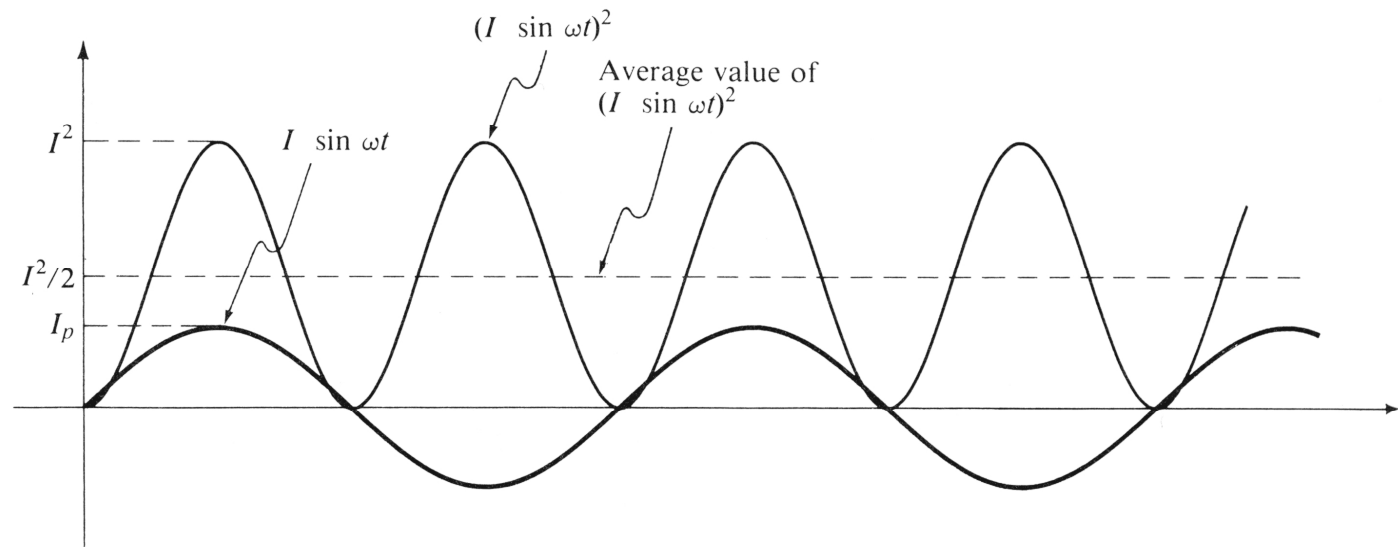
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**Remember V and I are peak values!**

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Now, consider the  $\cos 2\omega t$  term.

*The average value of  $\cos 2\omega t$  over some period of time ( $t \gg$  a period) is zero (equal positive and negative areas).*

Thus average ac power =  $0.5VI$ .

## The Passive components: Resistor

### ac voltage and current in the Resistor

The average ac power =  $0.5VI$ .

This relates to rms (root mean square values) of voltage and current:

So rms value of voltage will be:  $V_{\text{rms}} = V/\sqrt{2}$

rms value of current will be  $I_{\text{rms}} = I/\sqrt{2}$

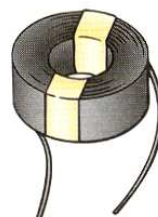
Thus ac power is given by  $p = 0.5 VI$  (Watts) or  $V_{\text{rms}} I_{\text{rms}}$

## The Passive components: Inductor

**Type:** Open Core Coil

**Typical Values:** 3 mH to 40 mH

**Applications:** Used in low-pass filter circuits. Found in speaker crossover networks.



**Type:** Toroid Coil

**Typical Values:** 1 mH to 30 mH

**Applications:** Used as a choke in AC power lines circuits to filter transient and reduce EMI interference. This coil is found in many electronic appliances.



**Type:** Hash Choke Coil

**Typical Values:** 3  $\mu$ H to 1 mH

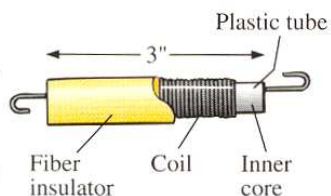
**Applications:** Used in AC supply lines that deliver high currents.



**Type:** Delay Line Coil

**Typical Values:** 10  $\mu$ H to 50  $\mu$ H

**Applications:** Used in color televisions to correct for timing differences between the color signal and black and white signal.



**Type:** Common Mode Choke Coil

**Typical Values:** 0.6 mH to 50 mH

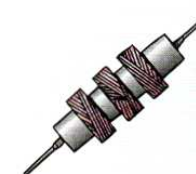
**Applications:** Used in AC line filters, switching power supplies, battery charges and other electronic equipment.



**Type:** RF Chokes

**Typical Values:** 10  $\mu$ H to 50  $\mu$ H

**Applications:** Used in radio, television, and communication circuits. Found in AM, FM, and UHF circuits.



**Type:** Moiled Coils

**Typical Values:** 0.1  $\mu$ H to 100  $\mu$ H

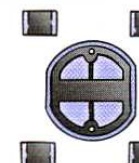
**Applications:** Used in a wide variety of circuit such as oscillators, filters, pass-band filters, and others.



**Type:** Surface Mounted Inductors

**Typical Values:** 0.01  $\mu$ H to 100  $\mu$ H

**Applications:** Found in many electronic circuits that require miniature components on multilayered PCB.



**Type:** Adjustable RF Coil

**Typical Values:** 1  $\mu$ H to 100  $\mu$ H

**Applications:** Variable inductor used in oscillators and various RF circuits such as CB transceivers, televisions, and radios.



## The Passive components: Inductor

### ac voltage and current in the Inductor

Whereas in the resistor the Voltage and Current are related by the linear relationship we call Resistance ( $\Omega$ ), for the Inductor (and the Capacitor) the situation is not so straightforward.

For an Inductor the voltage to current relationship is:

$$V = L \frac{di}{dt}$$

where  $V$  is the voltage across the inductor and  $i$  is the current through the inductor

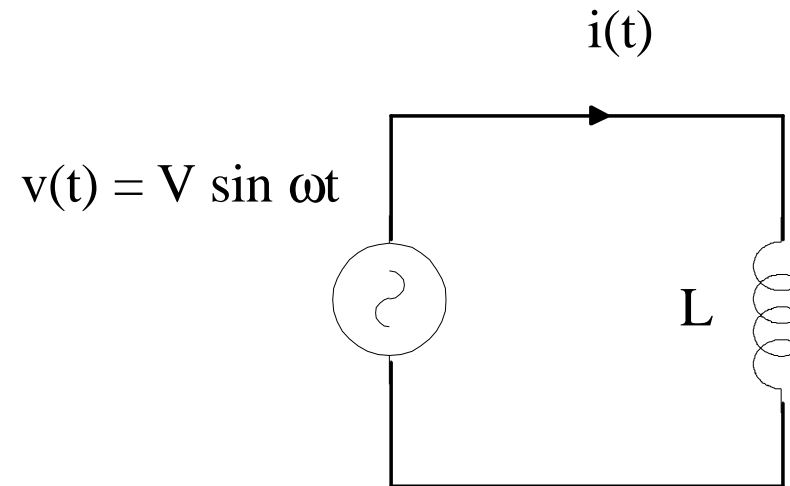


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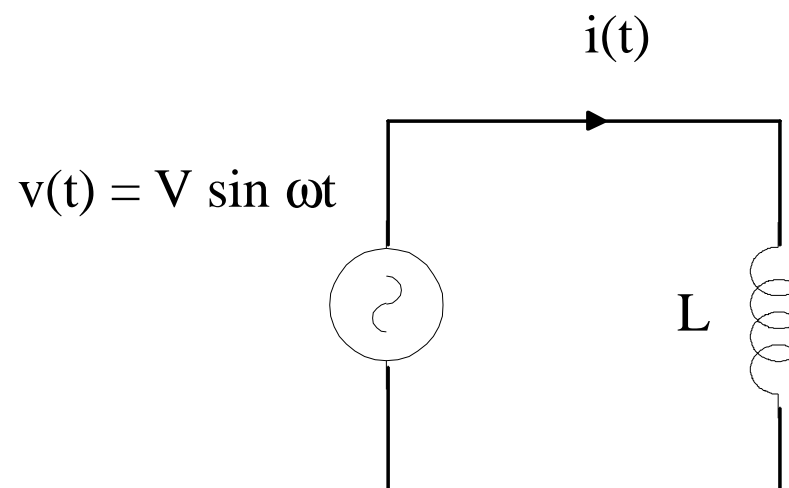
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So let us return to our basic circuit with a voltage  $v(t) = V \sin \omega t$  volts applied across an inductor (L).



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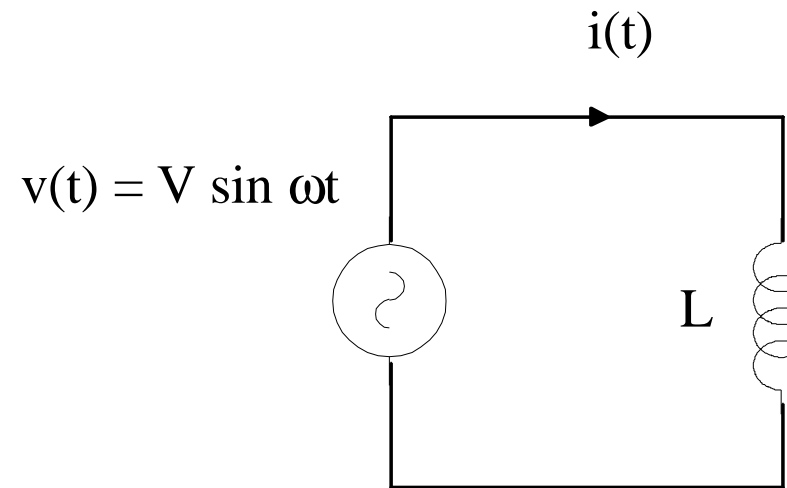
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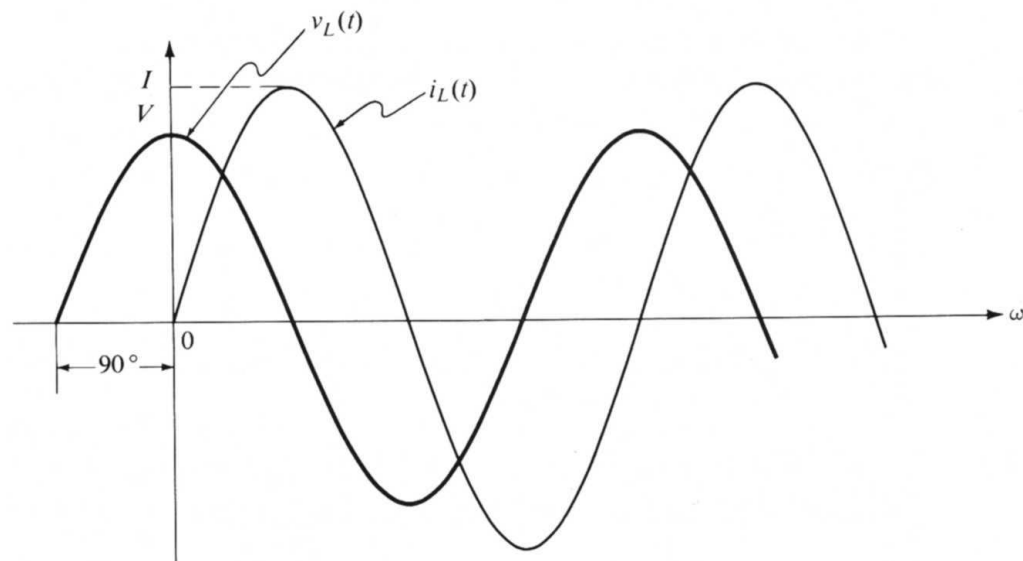
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$$\text{Now } \frac{d}{dt} \{-I \cos \omega t\} = \omega I \sin \omega t$$

so substituting in the above equation gives:

$$V \sin \omega t = L \frac{d}{dt} \{-I \cos \omega t\} = L \omega (I \sin \omega t)$$

So the fundamental relationship between Voltage and Current for an inductor is  $\omega L$  (which naturally has units of  $\Omega$ .)

$\omega L$  is known as the **Inductive Reactance** and is denoted  $X_L$ .

## The Passive components: Inductor

ac voltage and current in the Inductor

So the *key features for the Inductor* are:

**In an Inductor the Voltage LEADS the Current by 90°**

(It is perhaps worthy of note that by convention for Inductive circuits we usually refer to the inductor as a LAGGING circuit element i.e. we say **Current LAGS Voltage.**)

The relationship between Voltage and Current is the

Inductive Reactance:  $X_L = (\omega L) \Omega$

As  $X_L = (\omega L) \Omega$  the value of Inductive Reactance

*is directly proportional to frequency*

## The Passive components: Inductor

### Power in an Inductor

The instantaneous power delivered from the supply,  $v(t)$ , is:

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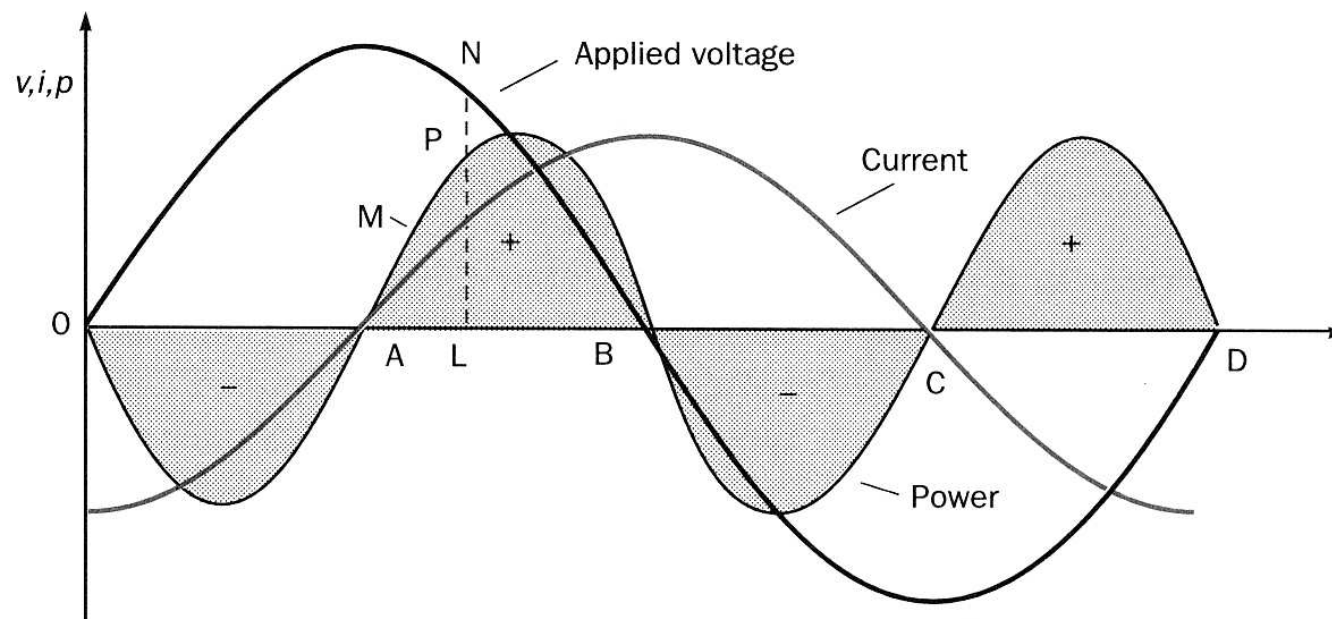
$$\sin A \cos B = 0.5 [\sin(A - B) + \sin(A + B)]$$

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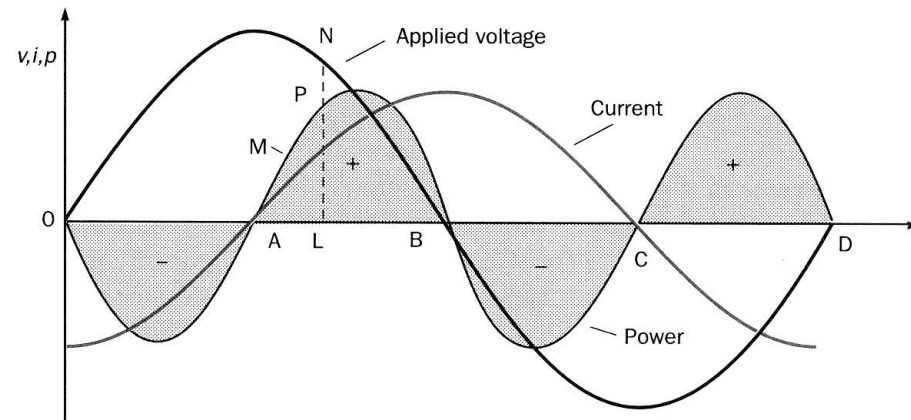
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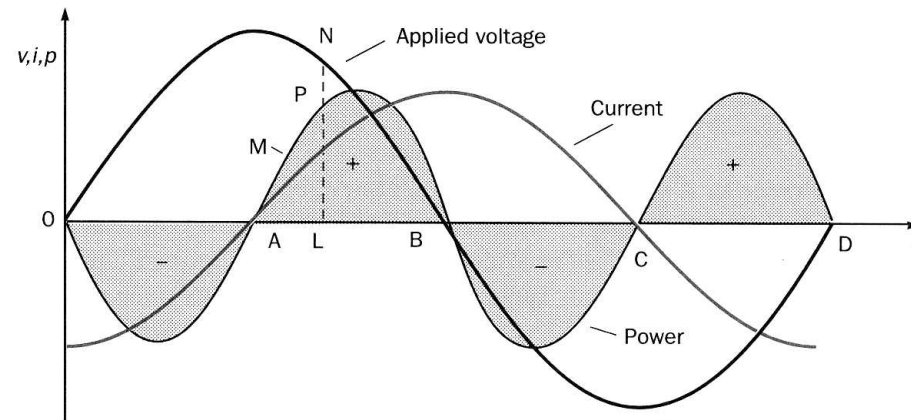
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### Power in an Inductor

During the time that the voltage and current are both *positive* the power  $p(t)$  is positive and power and energy is delivered from the source to the Inductor and stored in the magnetic field.

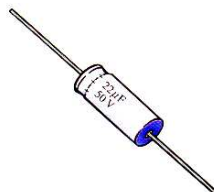
During the time that the voltage and current have opposite signs the power  $p(t)$  is *negative* the stored energy is returned from the Inductance back to the source.



Voltage, current and power in an Inductor

## The Passive components: Capacitor

**Type:** Miniature Axial Electrolytic  
**Typical Values:** 0.1  $\mu\text{F}$  to 15,000  $\mu\text{F}$   
**Typical Voltage Range:** 5 V to 450 V  
**Capacitor tolerance:**  $\pm 20\%$   
**Applications:** Polarized, used in DC power supplies, bypass filters, DC blocking.



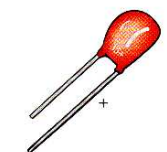
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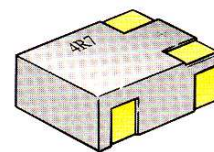
**Type:** Ceramic Disc  
**Typical Values:** 10 pF to 0.047  $\mu\text{F}$   
**Typical Voltage Range:** 100 V to 6 kV  
**Capacitor tolerance:**  $\pm 5\%$ ,  $\pm 10\%$   
**Applications:** Non-polarized, NPO type, stable for a wide range of temperatures. Used in oscillators, noise filters, circuit coupling, tank circuits.



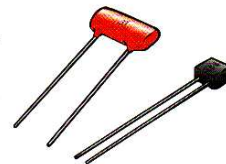
**Type:** Dipped Tantalum (solid and wet)  
**Typical Values:** 0.047  $\mu\text{F}$  to 470  $\mu\text{F}$   
**Typical Voltage Range:** 6.3 V to 50 V  
**Capacitor tolerance:**  $\pm 10\%$ ,  $\pm 20\%$   
**Applications:** Polarized, low leakage current, used in power supplies, high frequency noise filters, bypass filter.



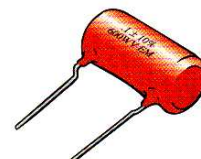
**Type:** Surface Mount Type (SMT)  
**Typical Values:** 10 pF to 10  $\mu\text{F}$   
**Typical Voltage Range:** 6.3 V to 16 V  
**Capacitor tolerance:**  $\pm 10\%$   
**Applications:** Polarized and non-polarized, used in all types of circuits, requires a minimum amount of PC board real estate.



**Type:** Silver Mica  
**Typical Value:** 10 pF to 0.001  $\mu\text{F}$   
**Typical Voltage Range:** 50 V to 500 V  
**Capacitor tolerance:**  $\pm 5\%$   
**Applications:** Non-polarized, used in oscillators, in circuits that require a stable component over a range of temperatures and voltages.



**Type:** Mylar Paper  
**Typical Value:** 0.001  $\mu\text{F}$  to 0.68  $\mu\text{F}$   
**Typical Voltage Range:** 50 V to 600 V  
**Capacitor tolerance:**  $\pm 22\%$   
**Applications:** Non-polarized, used in all types of circuits, moisture resistant.



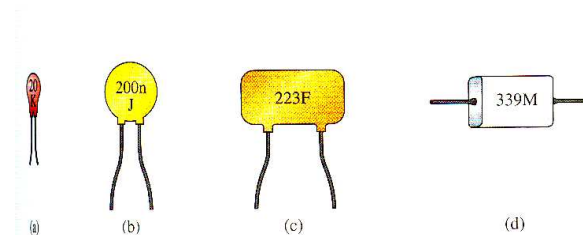
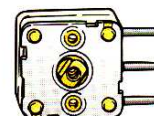
**Type:** AC/DC Motor Run  
**Typical Value:** 0.25  $\mu\text{F}$  to 1200  $\mu\text{F}$   
**Typical Voltage Range:** 240 V to 660 V  
**Capacitor tolerance:**  $\pm 10\%$   
**Applications:** Non-polarized, used in motor run-start, high-intensity lighting supplies, AC noise filtering.



**Type:** Trimmer Variable  
**Typical Value:** 1.5 pF to 600 pF  
**Typical Voltage Range:** 5 V to 100 V  
**Capacitor tolerance:**  $\pm 10\%$   
**Applications:** Non-polarized, used in oscillators, tuning circuits, AC filters.



**Type:** Tuning variable  
**Typical Value:** 10 pF to 600 pF  
**Typical Voltage Range:** 5 V to 100 V  
**Capacitor tolerance:**  $\pm 10\%$   
**Applications:** Non-polarized, used in oscillators, radio tuning circuit.



Different ways of indicating capacitor value

Different types of Capacitor (note tolerances)

## The Passive components: Capacitor

### ac voltage and current in the Capacitor

For the Capacitor the voltage to current relationship is:

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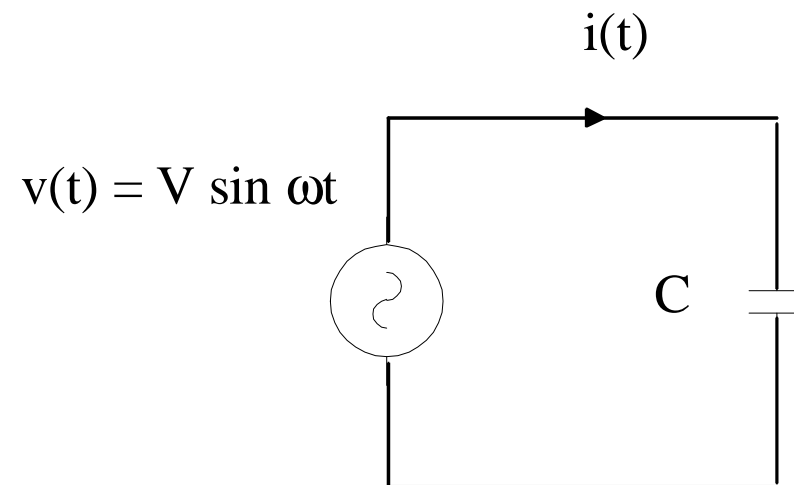
where  $V$  is the voltage across the Capacitor and  $i$  is the Current through the Capacitor.

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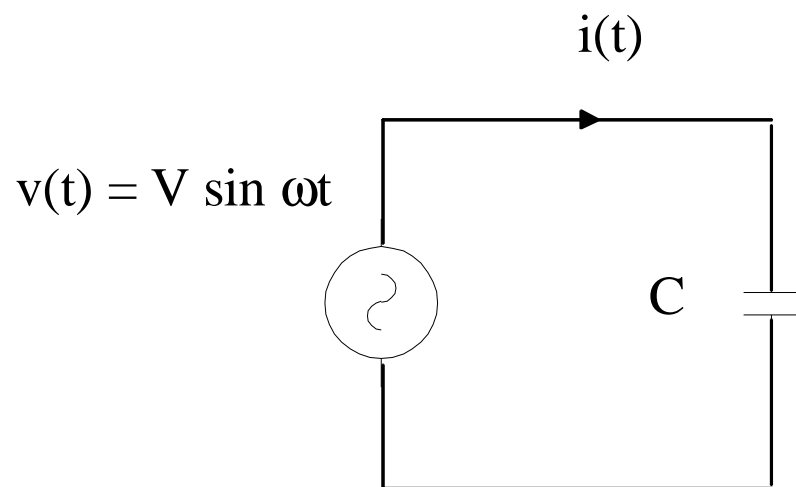
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If we return to our basic circuit with a voltage  $v(t) = V \sin \omega t$  volts applied across a Capacitor (C).



## The Passive components: Capacitor

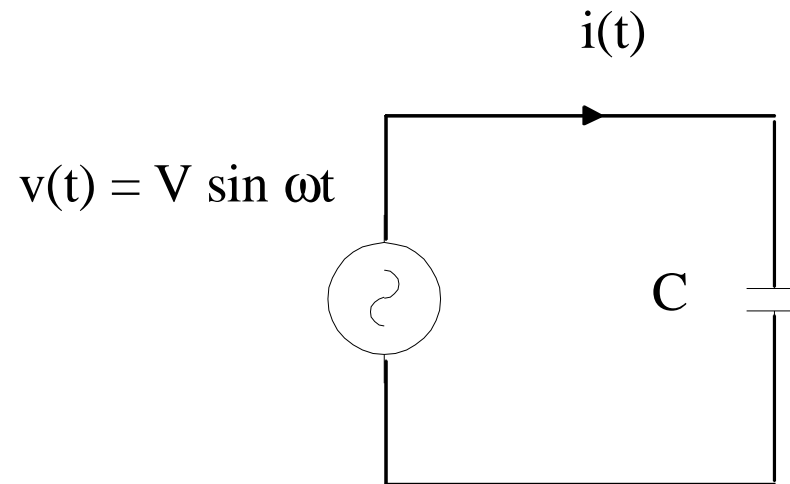
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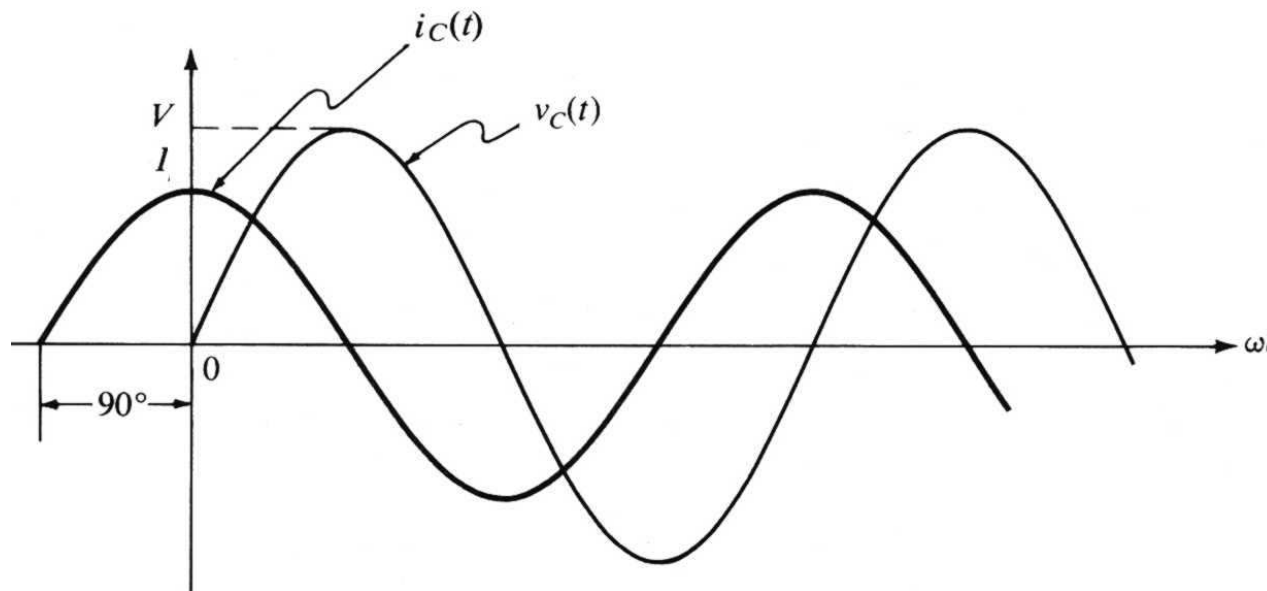
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Now  $\int \{I \cos \omega t . dt\} = \frac{1}{\omega} I \sin \omega t$ , so substituting in the above equation

$$\text{gives: } V \sin \omega t = \frac{1}{C} \int i dt = \frac{1}{C} \int \{I \cos \omega t . dt\} = \frac{I}{\omega C} \sin \omega t$$

So the fundamental relationship between Voltage and Current for a Capacitor

is  $\frac{1}{\omega C}$  which is known as the **Capacitive reactance**,  $X_C$ .

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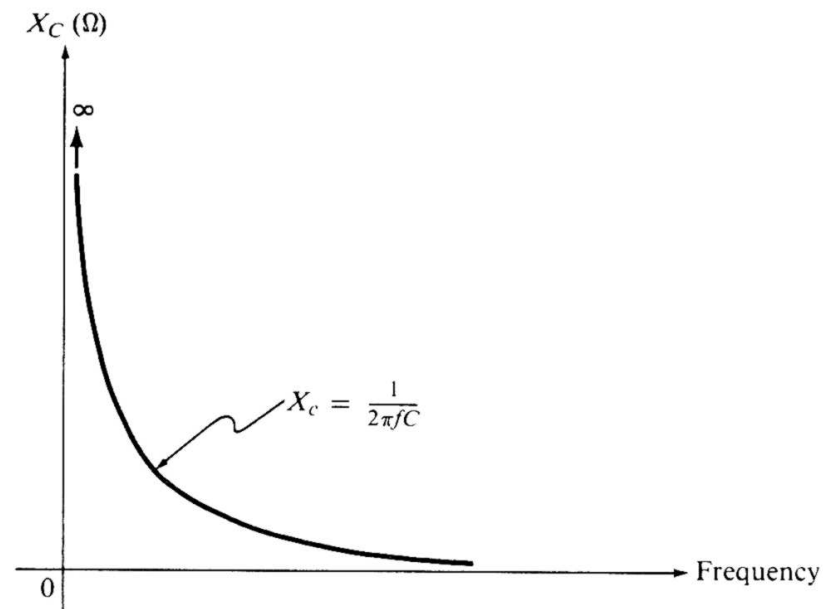
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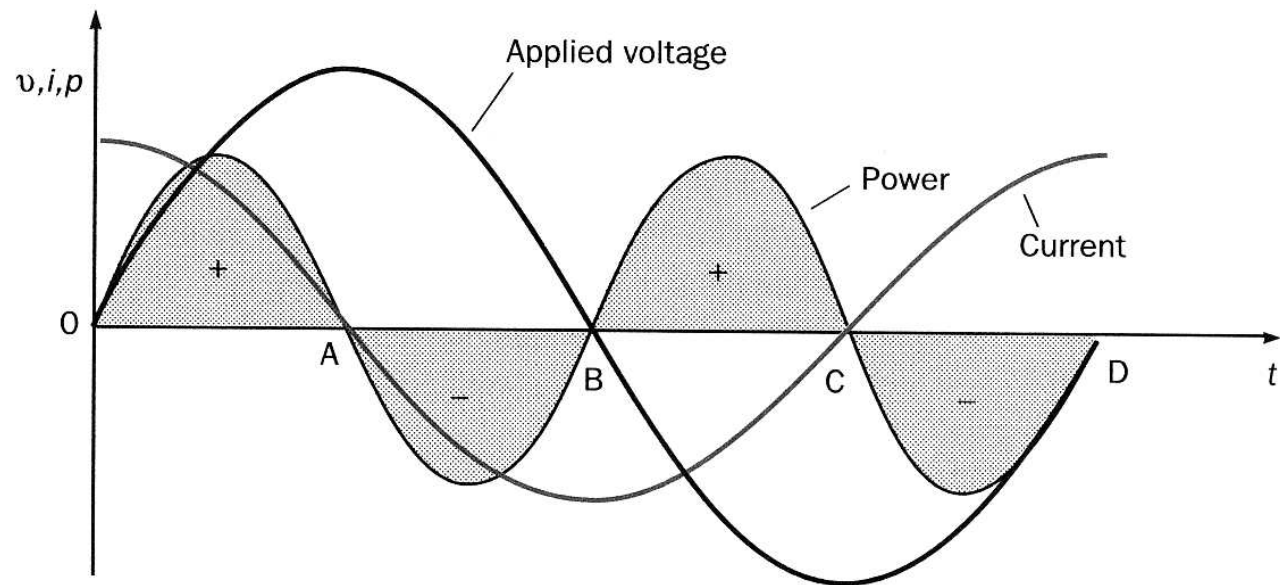
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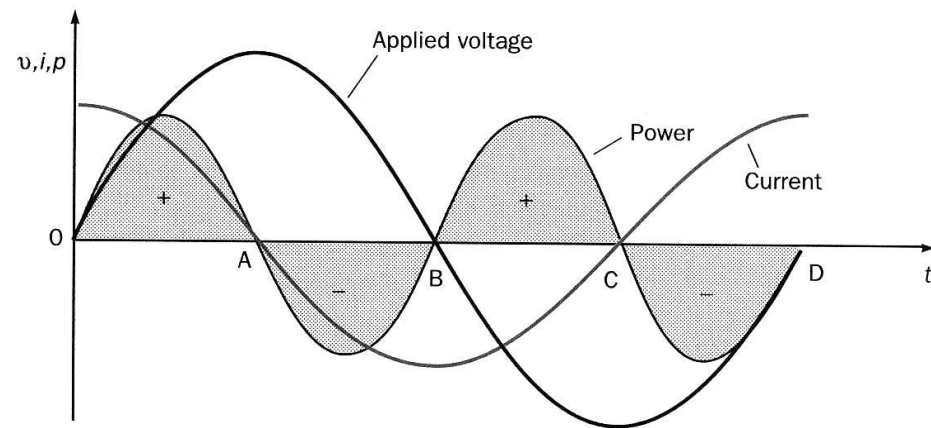
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Now this is the same result (except for the change in sign) as for the Inductor.

Again this is not surprising as  $90^\circ$  infers the two quantities are orthogonal.

Thus the perfect Capacitor dissipates no power, taking energy from the power supply during part of the ac cycle and returning it back to the source during another part of the cycle.



Voltage, current and power in a Capacitor

## The Passive components

What about this (j) operator thing?

ac theory has revealed the distinct differences between the three passive components. The key facts are summarised in the following table.

<i>Property</i>	<b>Resistor</b>	<b>Inductor</b>	<b>Capacitor</b>
<i>v</i> versus <i>i</i> relationship	$V = I r$	$V = L \frac{di}{dt}$	$V = \frac{1}{C} \int i dt$
<i>Average Power dissipated</i>	$V_{\text{rms}} i_{\text{rms}}$	Zero	Zero
<i>v</i> versus <i>i</i> <u>phase</u> relationship	<i>v</i> in phase with <i>i</i>	<i>v</i> leads <i>i</i> by $90^\circ$ ( $\pi/2$ )	<i>v</i> lags <i>i</i> by $90^\circ$ ( $\pi/2$ )
Reactance ( $\Omega$ )	-	$X_L = (\omega L)$	$X_C = \frac{1}{\omega C}$
Reactance versus frequency ( $\omega$ )	-	proportional	Inversely proportional
<i>This (j) thing?</i>	?	?	?

## The Passive components

What about this (j) operator thing?

Clearly in ac theory we need to take into account the phase angles of  $90^\circ$  between the voltage and currents in the reactive devices and the zero phase shift in the resistor.

The obvious way to present this information is by using the *complex plane*. All we need is a **reference datum**!

The universally accepted approach is to use the Real axis of the complex plane to represent ***the current axis***. This is an important fact to remember as in order to establish any rule-base you must *always* remember to *what* you are referring.

By making the real axis a current reference we see that for the resistor (voltage in phase with current) we can represent the *phasors* for voltage and current as both on the real axis.



## The Passive components

What about this (j) operator thing?

Now for the **Inductor**, the voltage leads the current by  $90^\circ$ .

The (j) operator is of course just a mathematical representation of a  $90^\circ$  anticlockwise rotation.

Reference to current, the inductor voltage is  $90^\circ$  ahead or **+ j**. Thus we display Inductor voltage on the + j axis of the complex plane.

Inductive reactance becomes:  $X_L = + j \omega L$

## The Passive components

What about this (j) operator thing?

For the **Capacitor**, the voltage lags the current by 90°. We thus place the capacitor voltage on the - j plane.

Thus Capacitive Reactance becomes:

$$X_C = -j \frac{1}{\omega C}$$

## Note: Frequency Dependence of L & C

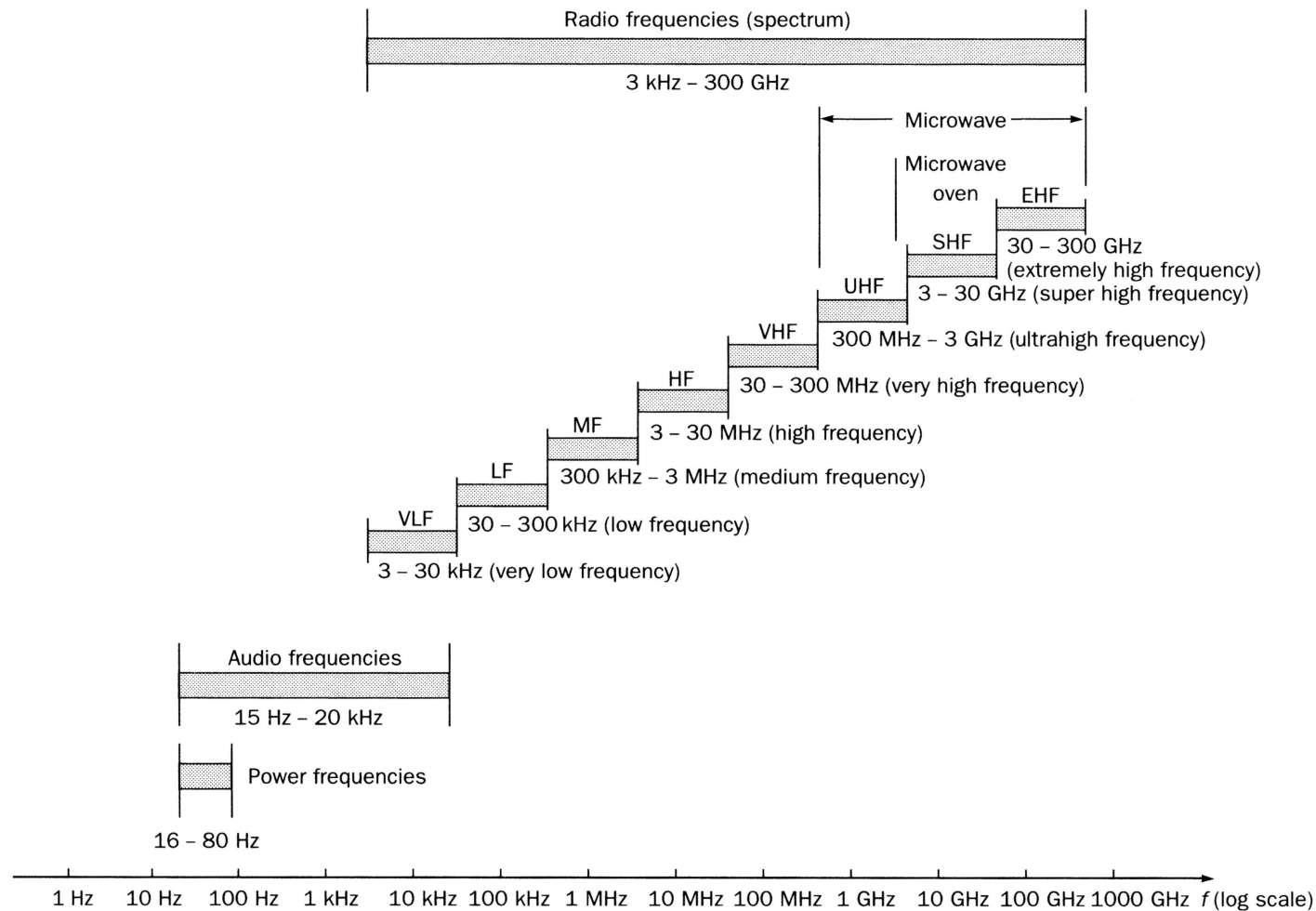
From the introduction to this subject we noted that:

“When circuits can obtain a frequency dependence then we have the basis for radio, communications, mobile phones, computers – indeed every but of electrical engineering you can think of – full stop!”

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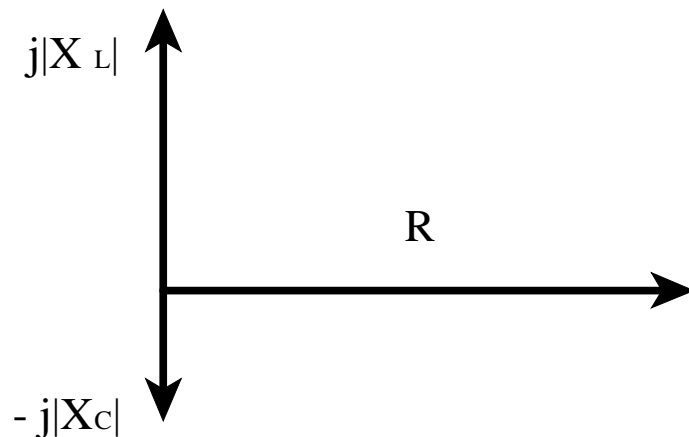


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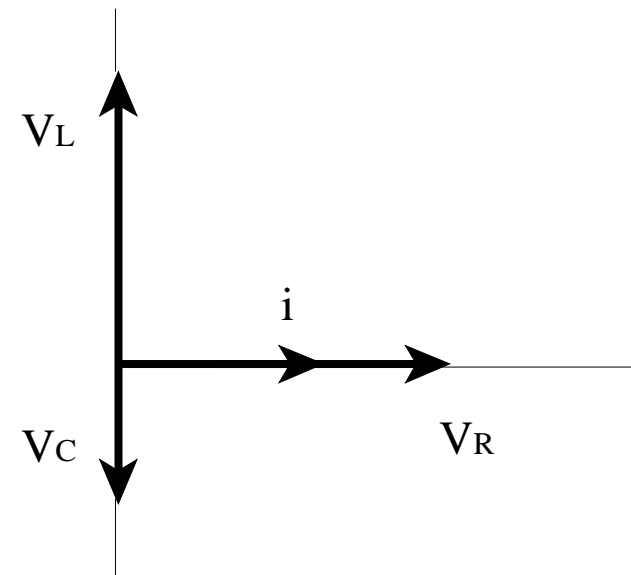
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The complex plane will from now on always be our means of handling currents and voltages and resistance's and reactance's.

The ac world is a world of complex mathematics (though not necessarily computationally complexity!).

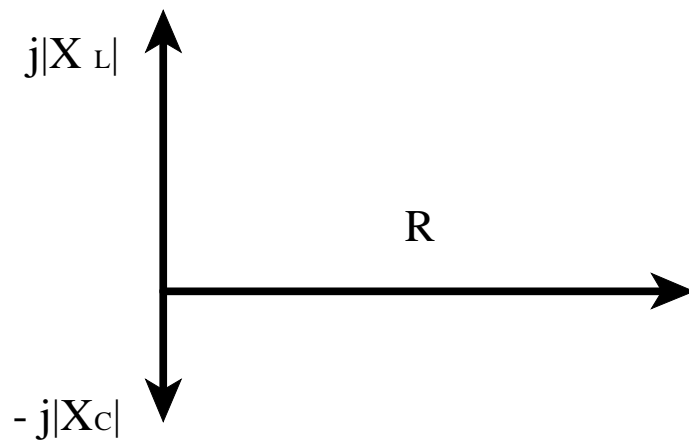


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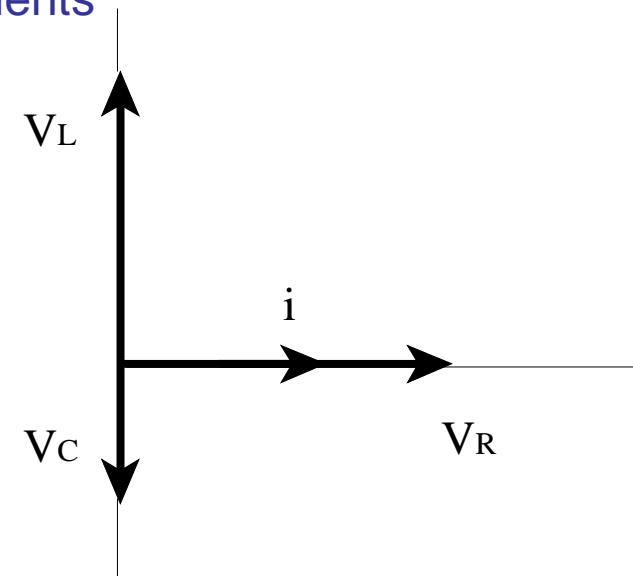


The Voltage Plane (*series circuits*)

## The Passive components



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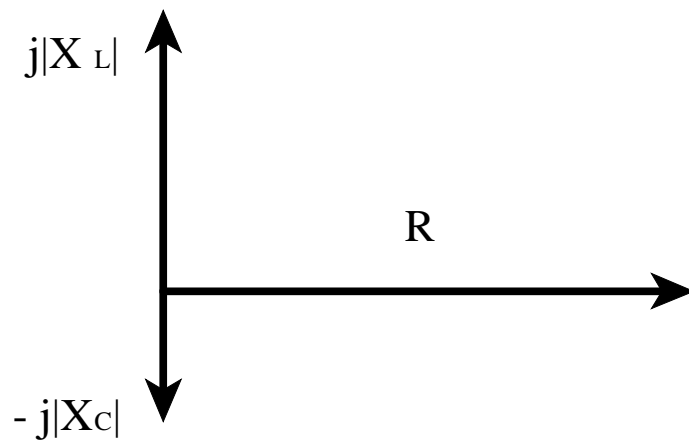
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*Aide-memoire* to voltage/currents/lead/lag/Inductor/Capacitor.

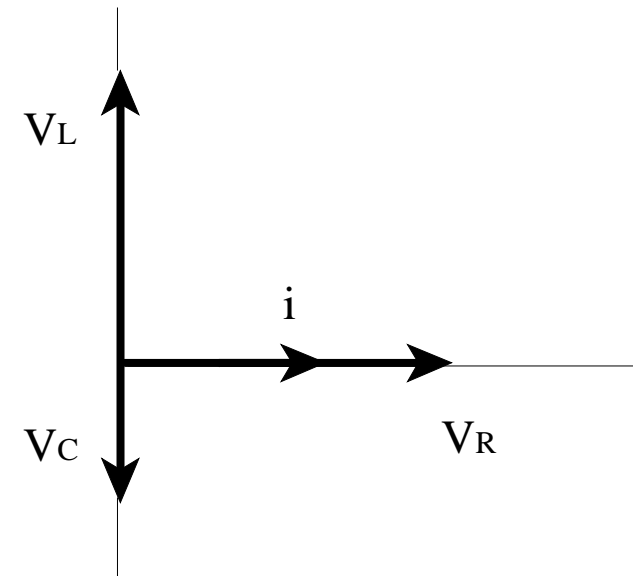
One memory trick is to remember **"CIVIL"**. Reading from left to right:

"In a Capacitor I(current) leads Voltage → (V)oltage leads I in an L (Inductor)"

## Impedance



The Impedance Plane

The Voltage Plane (*series circuits*)

The Inductor and Capacitor have Inductive and Capacitive Reactance of

$$X_L = j \omega L \, \Omega \quad \text{and} \quad X_C = -j \frac{1}{\omega C} \, \Omega$$

This led us to the concept of complex impedances and the use of the complex plane, above. Note: for series circuits!

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Very few circuits are pure R, L or C.

Most circuits are combinations of these R, L and C and either:

*Series* or *Parallel* or combinations of Series/Parallel circuitry.

The rules for series and parallel circuits are identical to those established in the dc circuits part of your course.

However the *difference* in the ac circuits is that all voltages and currents *must be treated as phasors*.



## Impedance: Series ac circuits

The total impedance  $Z$  of a series circuit containing the three passive components:

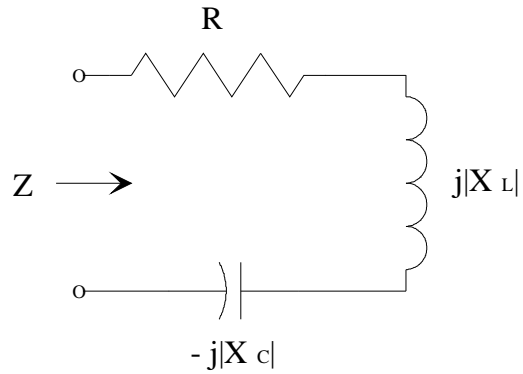
resistance  $R \, \Omega$

inductive reactance  $X_L = j\omega L \, \Omega$ , and

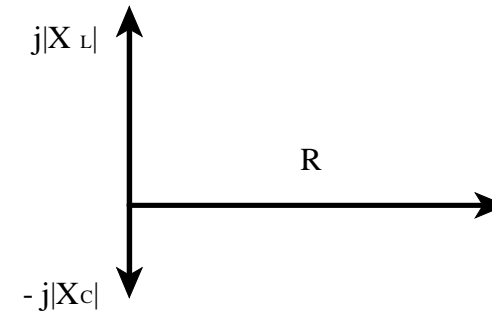
capacitive reactance  $X_C = -j (1/ \omega C) \, \Omega$

can be found by combining the phasor forms of each of these components on an *impedance diagram*.

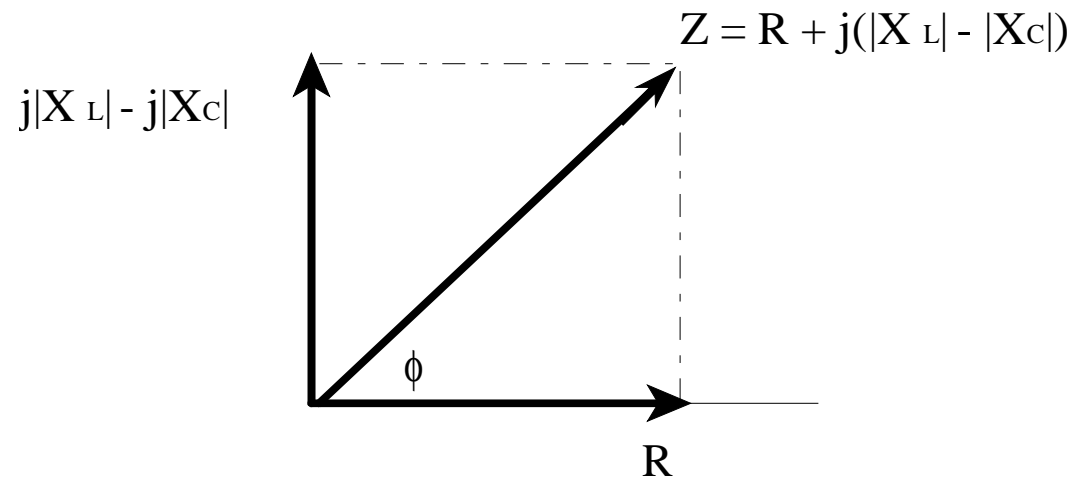
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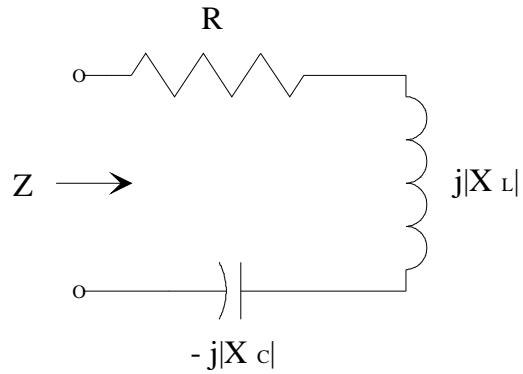


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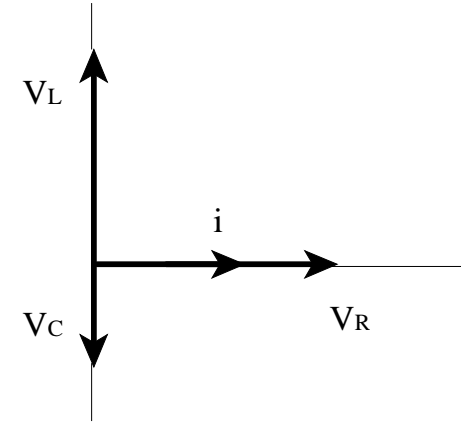
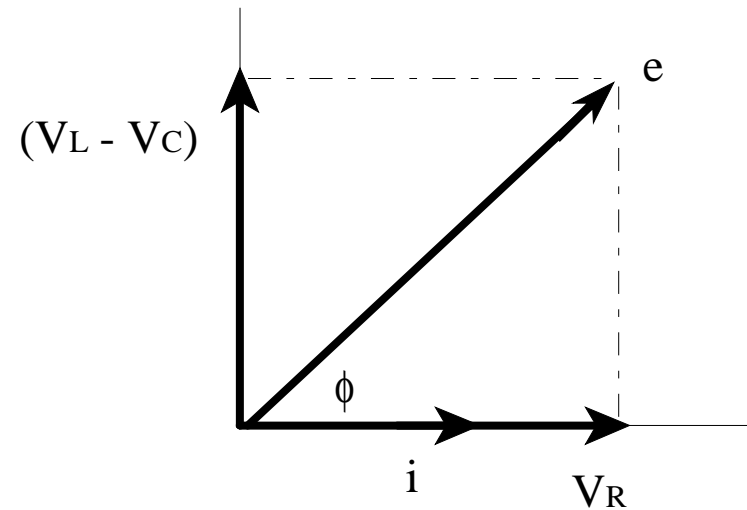


Series RLC circuit impedance diagram

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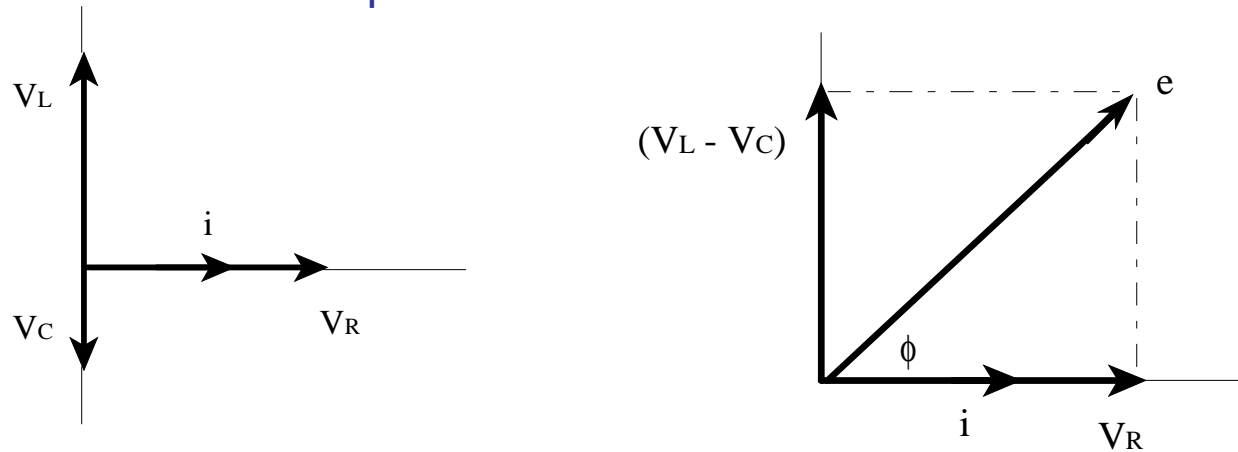


Series R, L and C

The Voltage Plane (*series circuits*)

Voltage relationships in series RLC circuit

### Impedance: Series ac circuits



### The Voltage Plane (*series circuits*)

- The voltage across the inductor  $V_L$  leads the current  $i$  through it by 90 degrees
- The current  $i$  in the capacitor leads the voltage  $V_C$  across it by 90 degrees
- The current  $i$  in a series circuit is in phase with the voltage across the resistor  $V_R$
- The applied voltage  $e$  is the phasor sum of all the voltage drops in the circuit
- The angle  $\theta$  between the applied voltage  $e$  and the current  $i$  is the same as the angle of the total impedance of the circuit

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The coil consists of a series circuit of resistance  $12\ \Omega$  and an inductive reactance of  $\mathbf{+j\ 31.42\Omega}$ .

Thus the Impedance  $\mathbf{Z = (12 + j\ 31.42)\ \Omega}$ .

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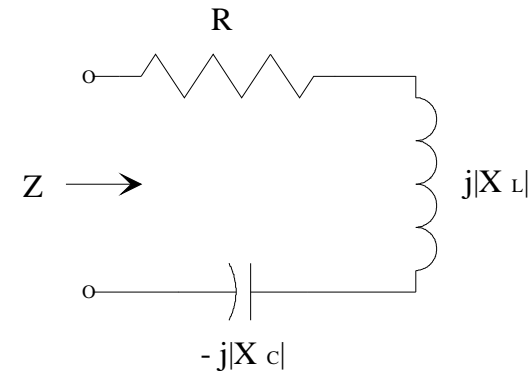
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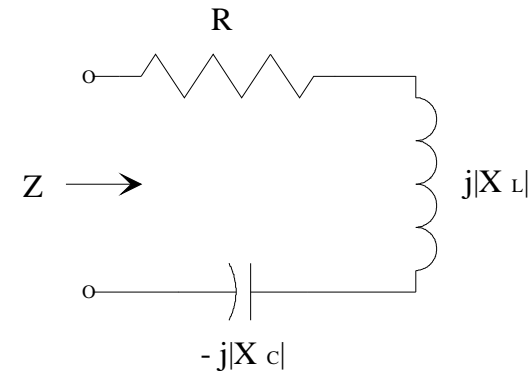
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This will be a situation where the circuit will have a minimum impedance (resistance) and thus a maximum current. Since the voltage across the resistor is  $V_R = iR$ , it also follows that the voltage across the resistor will have a maximum value at resonance.

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Only meaningful if we express impedance in rectangular format:

$$\text{Hence, } 40 \angle 45^\circ = (28.3 + j 28.3)$$

**i.e.  $28.3 \Omega$  resistor in series with an inductive reactance of  $+ j 28.3 \Omega$**



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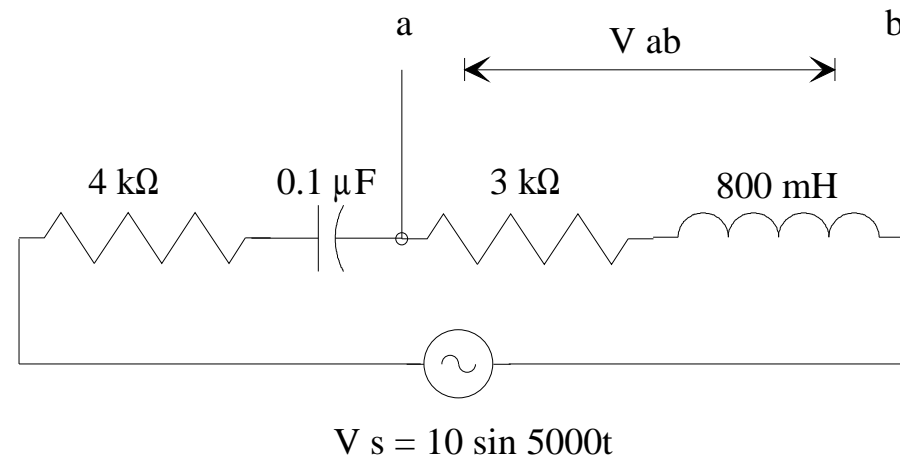
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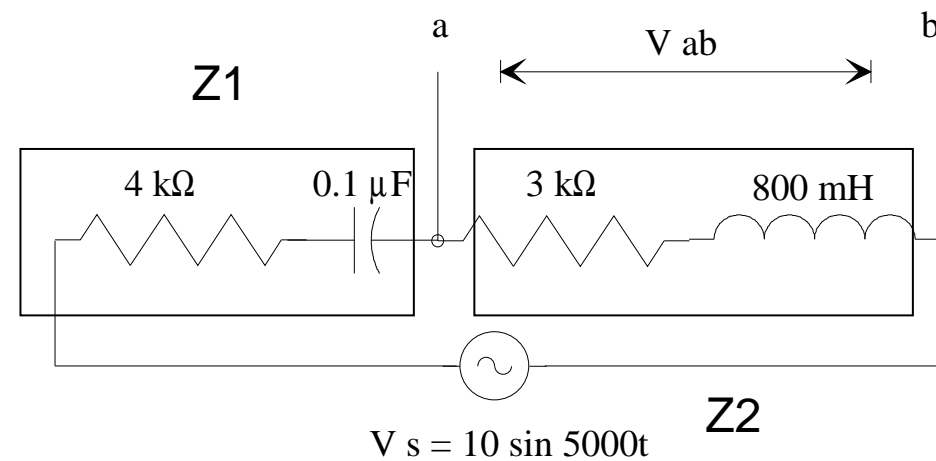
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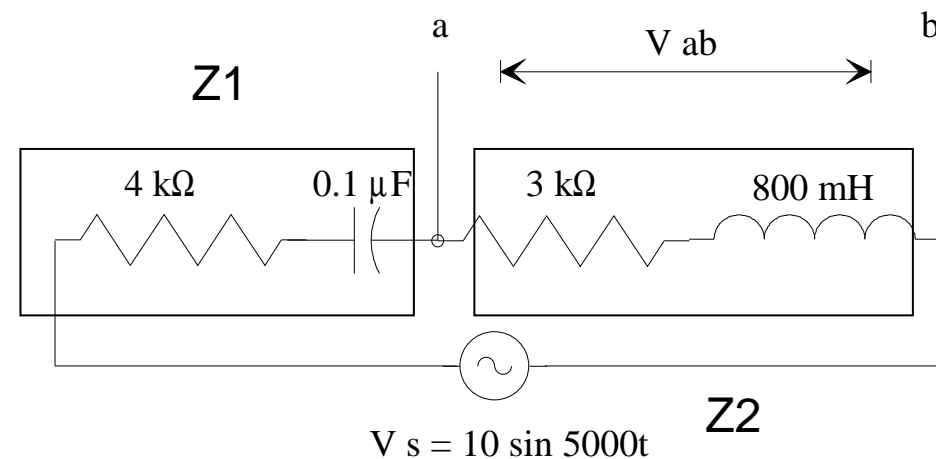
$$1/ (5000 \times 0.1 \times 10^{-6}) = -j \mathbf{2000\Omega}$$

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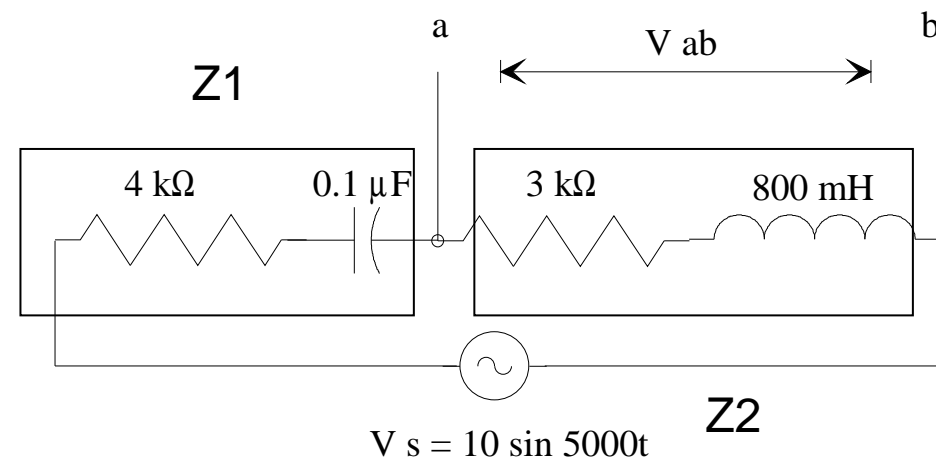
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$$V_{ab} = 10 \angle 0^\circ \times \{(Z2)/(Z1 + Z2)\}$$

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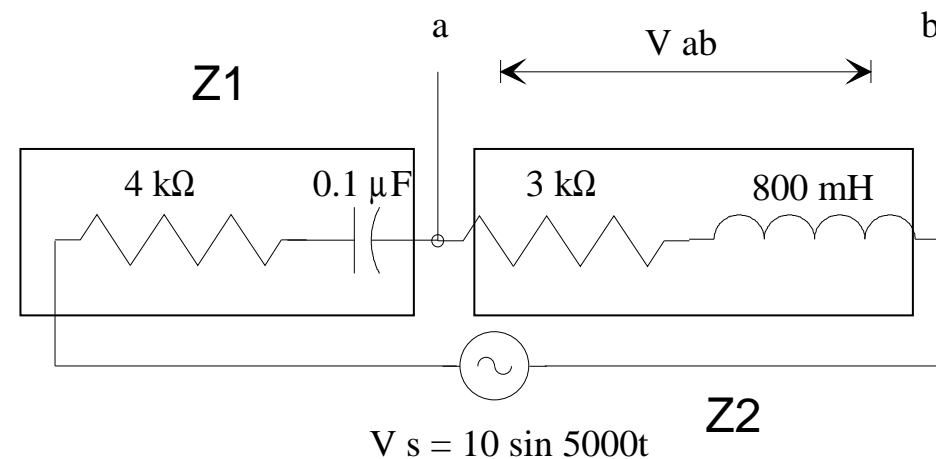
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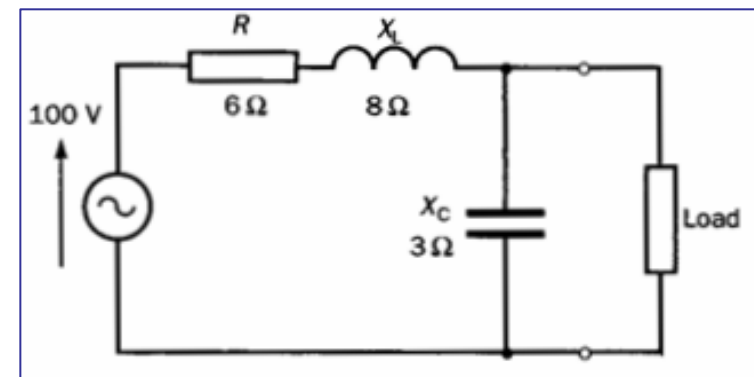


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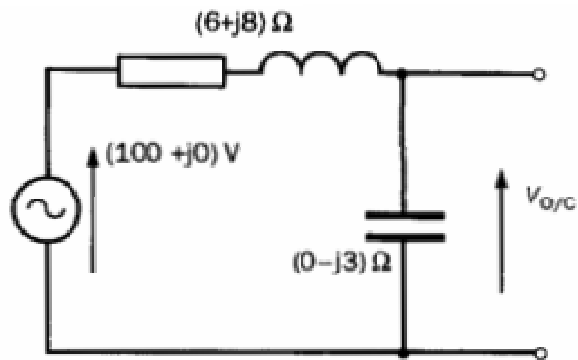


(a) ac network with load resistor

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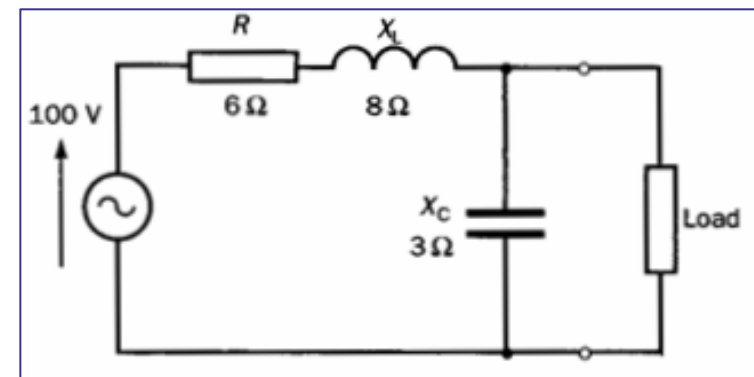
Step 1



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(a) ac network with load resistor

## Thevenin

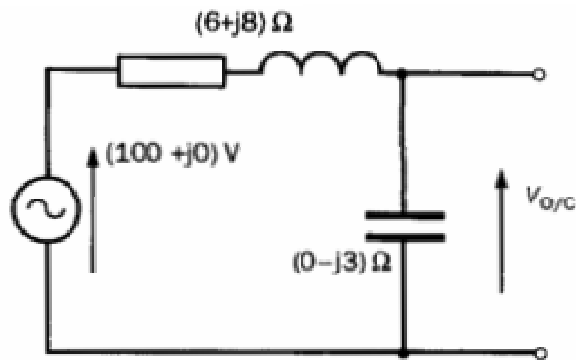
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Step 1

(b) Potential division of  $100\angle 0^\circ$  volts by  $(6 + j8)$  and  $(-j3)$

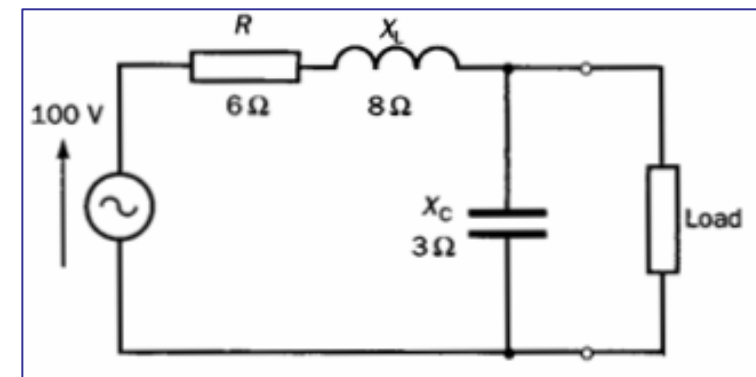
$$V_T = \left( \frac{(100\angle 0^\circ)(-j3)}{(0 - j3) + (6 + j8)} \right) = \left( \frac{(100\angle 0^\circ)(3\angle -90^\circ)}{(6 + j5)} \right) = \left( \frac{300\angle -90^\circ}{(7.81\angle 39.8^\circ)} \right) = (38.4\angle -129.8^\circ) \text{ volts}$$



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(a) ac network with load resistor

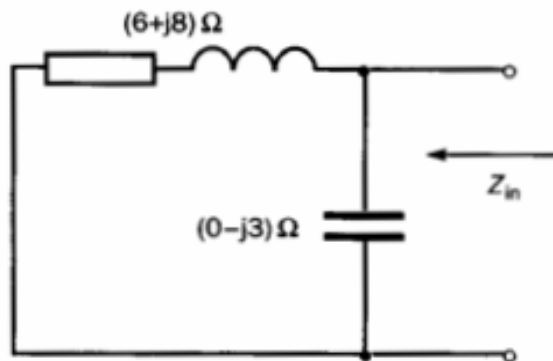
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Step 2

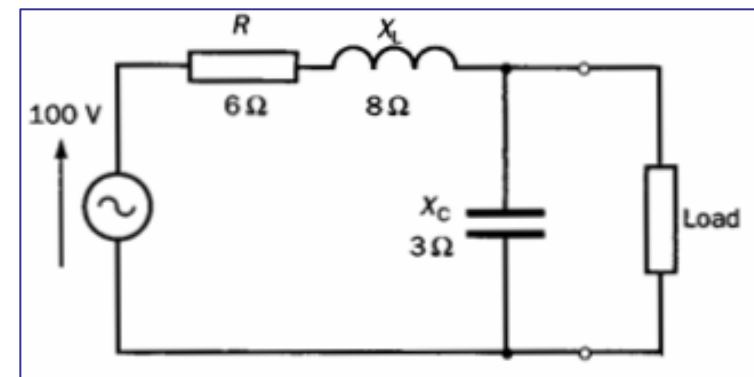
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(a) ac network with load resistor

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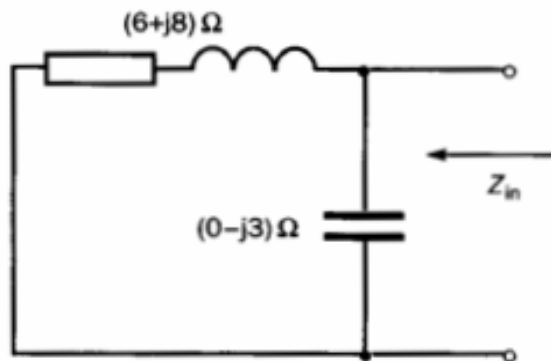
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$$\left( \frac{(6 + j8)(-j3)}{(6 + j8) + (-j3)} \right) = \left( \frac{(10 \angle 53^\circ)(3 \angle -90^\circ)}{(7.81 \angle 39.8^\circ)} \right) = \left( \frac{(30 \angle -37^\circ)}{(7.81 \angle 39.8^\circ)} \right) = 3.84 \angle -76.8^\circ \Omega$$

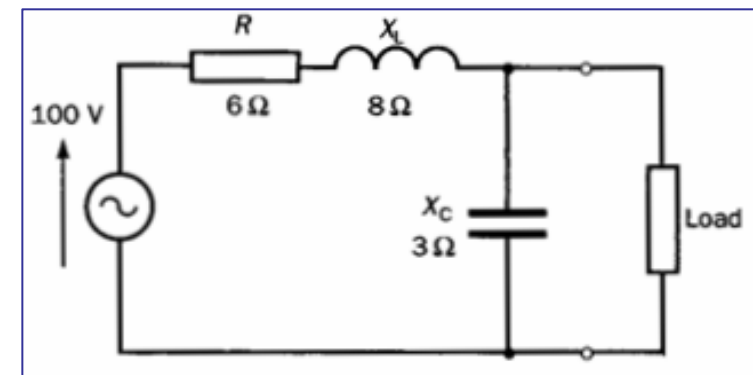


(c) Thevenin Impedance: voltage source short circuited

or  $(0.876 - j3.73) \Omega$

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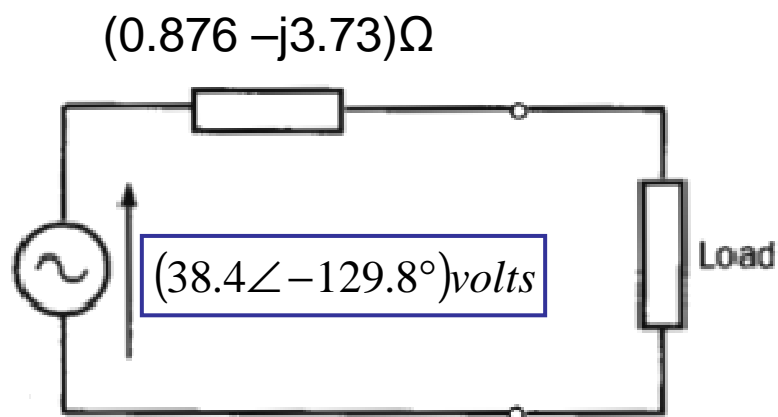
(a) ac network with load resistor



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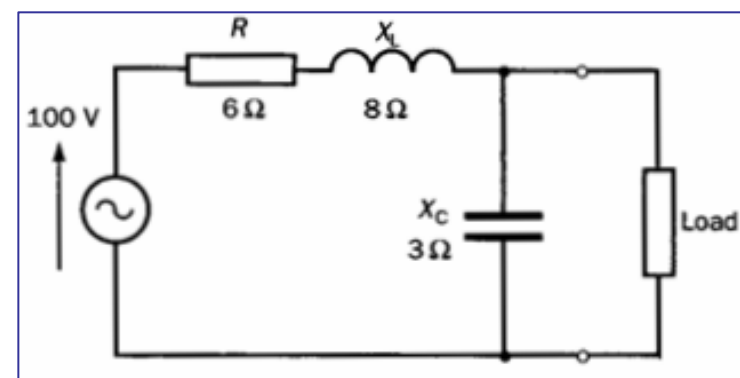
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(d) Thevenin Equivalent Circuit

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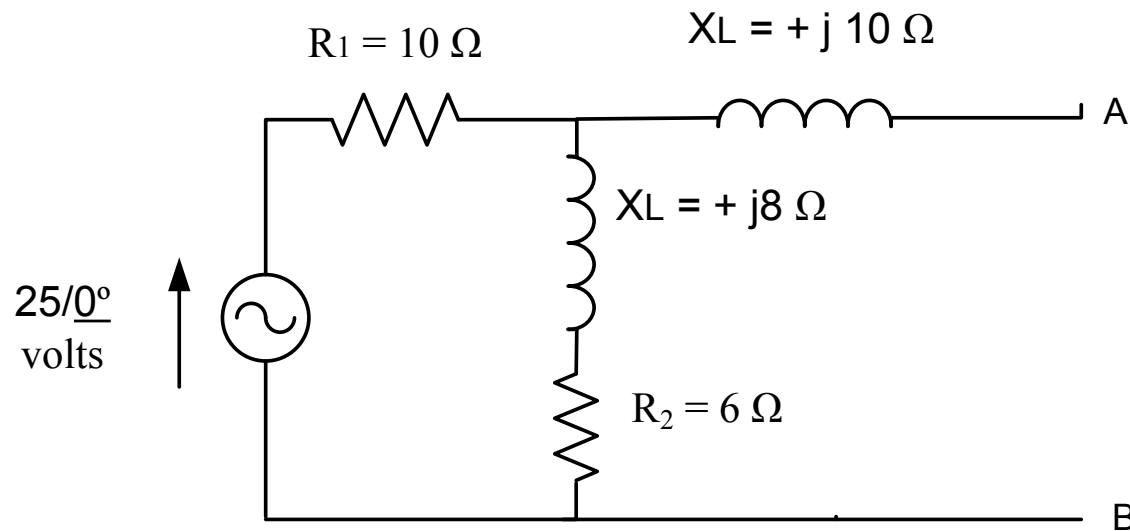
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(a) ac network with load resistor

## Thevenin

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- (b) Thevenin Impedance: with the voltage source short circuited

## Impedance: Parallel ac circuits

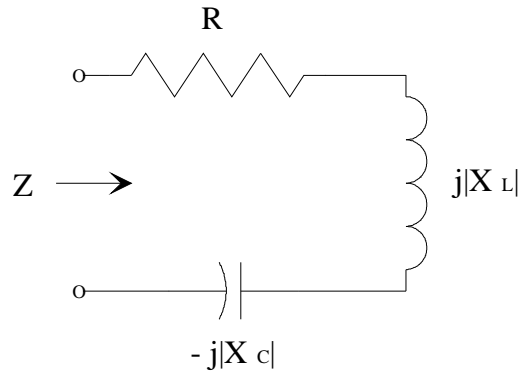
## Impedance: Parallel ac circuits (a)

To date we have concentrated on **SERIES** circuits, where the current flows through each of the elements: for this reason we adopted a **CURRENT** reference in our impedance diagrams.

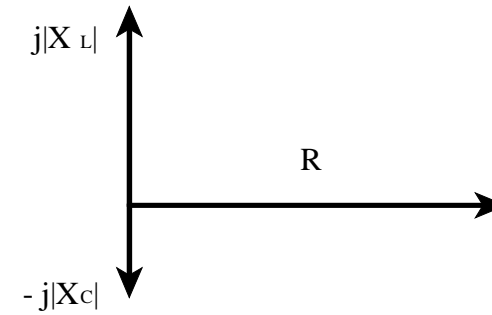
We have to review this reference choice when we deal with parallel circuits!

But, first a reminder of **SERIES** circuit nomenclature:

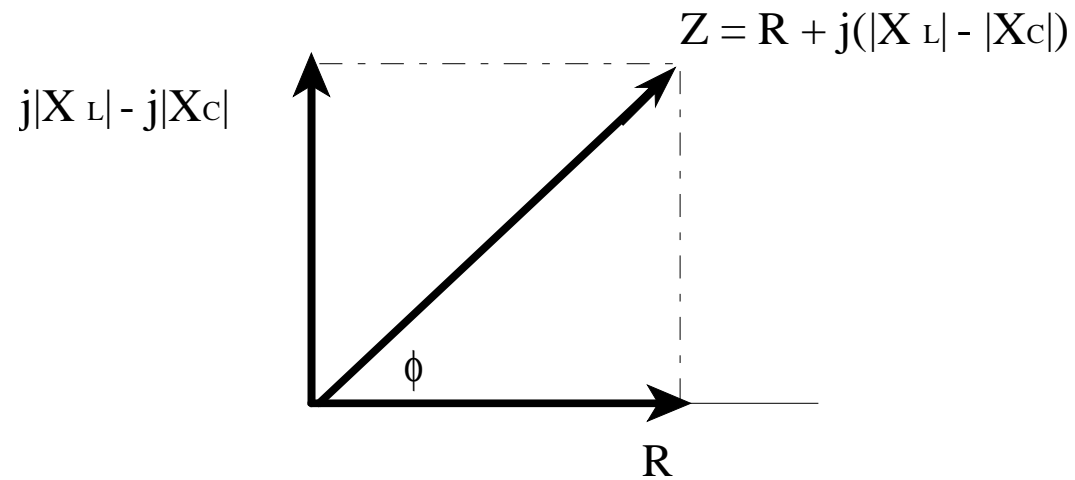
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Series R, L and C

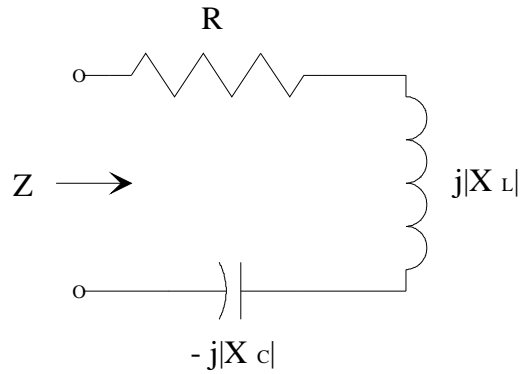


The Impedance Plane

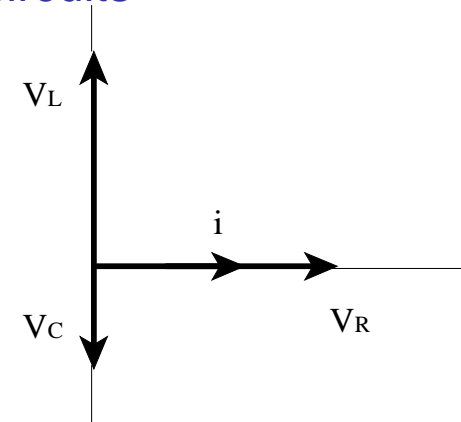


Series RLC circuit impedance diagram

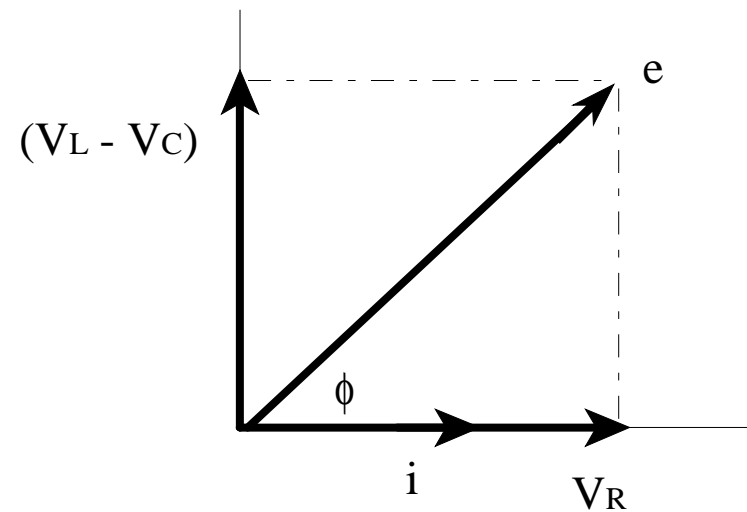
# Impedance: Series ac circuits



Series R, L and C



The Voltage Plane (*series circuits*)

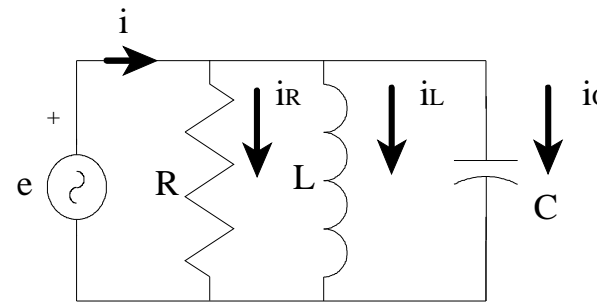


Voltage relationships in series RLC circuit

## Impedance: Parallel ac circuits

The fundamental difference between parallel ac circuits and series ac circuit theory is that for the **parallel circuit** the **voltage across each branch of the parallel circuit is identical**.

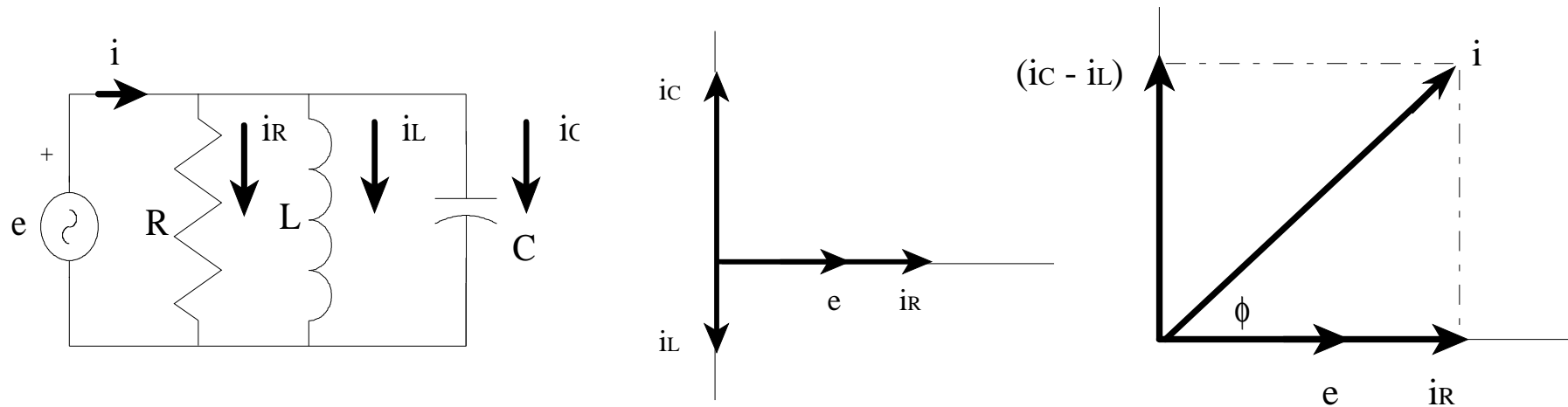
In parallel ac circuit theory we have to obey Kirchhoff's current law, but once again, *in phasor format*.



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We thus take the **voltage across the Resistor as the reference**.

## Impedance: Parallel ac circuits



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In the capacitor the current is *leading* the voltage by  $90^\circ$  and thus must appear as a  $(+j)$  term relative to the real axis. Likewise the Inductor has a current that *lags* voltage, hence the  $(-j)$  term.

This nomenclature is contrary to the previously adopted system used with series circuits. For the parallel circuit configurations however it is sensible to adopt the above phasor diagram when describing the current flow.



## Impedance: Parallel ac circuits

Impedance  $Z_1$  and  $Z_2$  in parallel

When we have two parallel connected components having impedances  $Z_1$  and  $Z_2$ , the total equivalent impedance of such a circuit is given by  $Z$  total, where

$$Z \text{ total} = \frac{Z_1 \cdot Z_2}{(Z_1 + Z_2)} \quad \Omega$$

All the arithmetic operations in the above equation must be performed in *phasor* format.

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There is naturally *inductive susceptance* and *capacitive susceptance*.

The general term for conductance, susceptance and combinations of these is admittance, which has the symbol  $Y$ .

## Parallel ac circuits

### Impedance and Admittance

$$\text{Since } i = \frac{e}{Z} \quad \Omega$$

$$\text{and } Z = \frac{1}{Y} \quad \Omega$$

The relationship between current, voltage and admittance is  $i = e Y$

Admittance (**Y**) = Conductance (**G**) + Susceptance (**B**)

## Parallel ac circuits

### Impedance and Admittance

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Now: 
$$R + jX = \frac{1}{G + jB}$$

Remember that we have a complex number to invert!

$$R + jX = \frac{1}{G + jB} = \frac{G - jB}{G^2 + B^2}$$

Alternatively you can use *polar manipulation* to do the inversion

$$Z = \frac{1}{Y}$$

## Parallel ac circuits

### Admittance (R, L and C)

For a parallel circuit the voltage is the common element and the currents add:

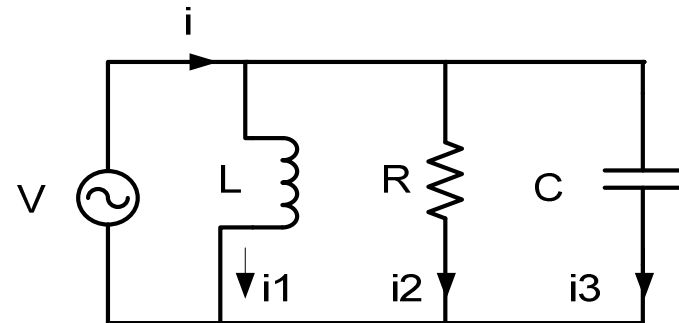
$$I = I_1 + I_2 + I_3$$

It is much simpler to work in admittance terms:

For the resistor:  $Y_R = 1/R$

For the inductor  $Y_L = 1/j \omega L$

For the capacitor  $Y_C = j \omega C$



## Parallel ac circuits

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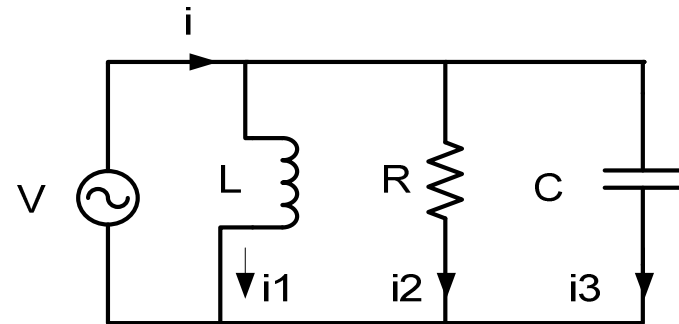
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*Note the negative sign.*

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The relationships between current and voltage in the components are exactly as before.



## Parallel ac circuits

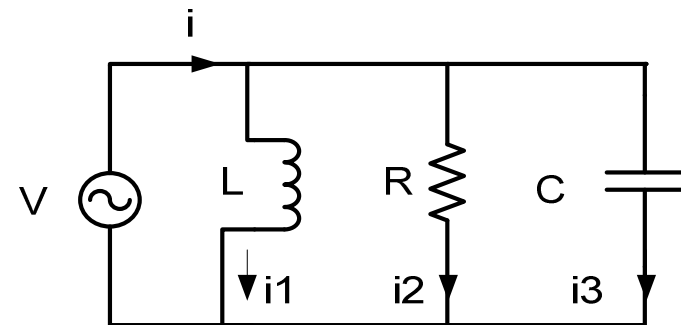
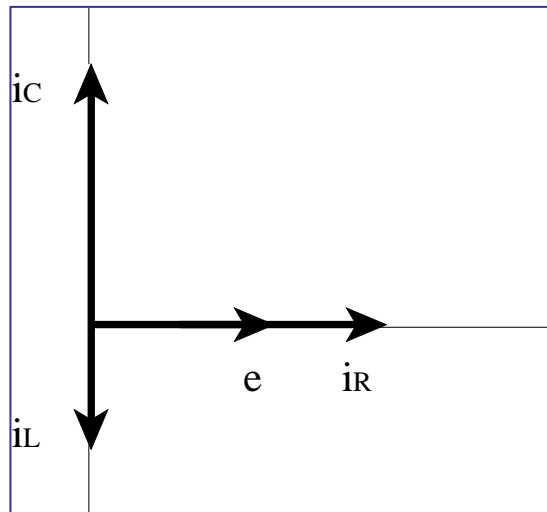
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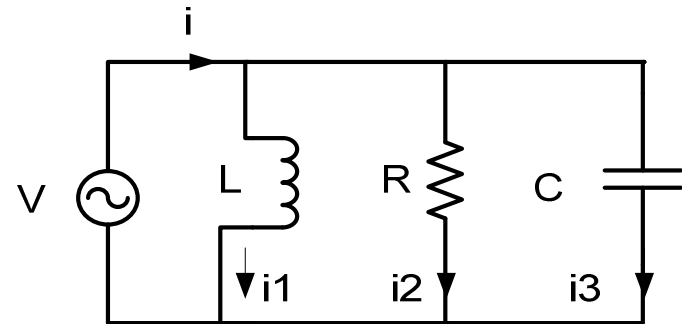




## Parallel ac circuits

## Admittance (R, L and C) Example

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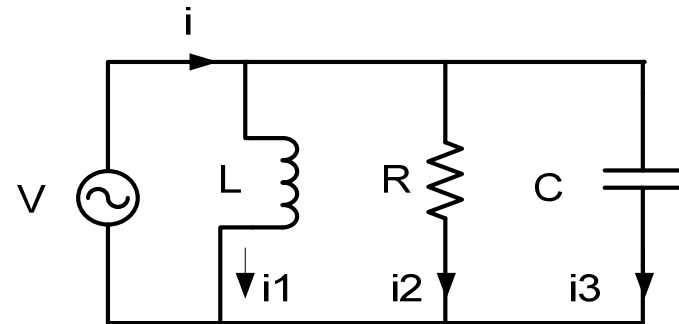
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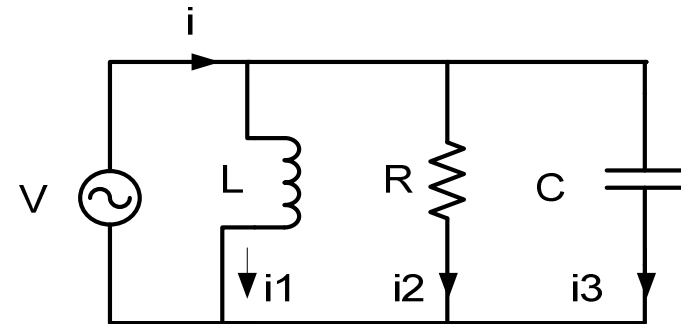
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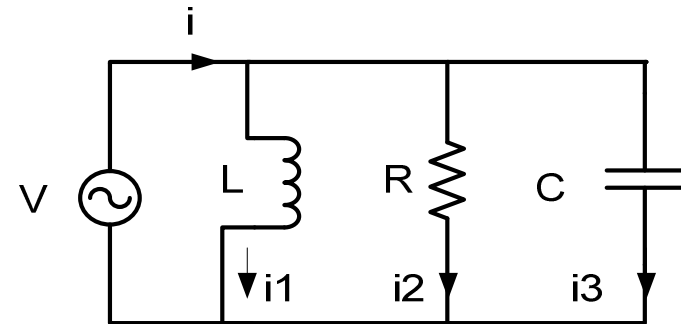
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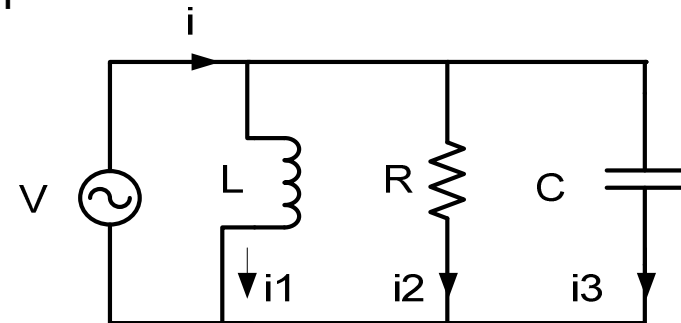
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$$I = VY = 1000 \angle 30^\circ \times 0.0141 \angle 45^\circ = 14.1 \angle 75^\circ \text{ Amps}$$



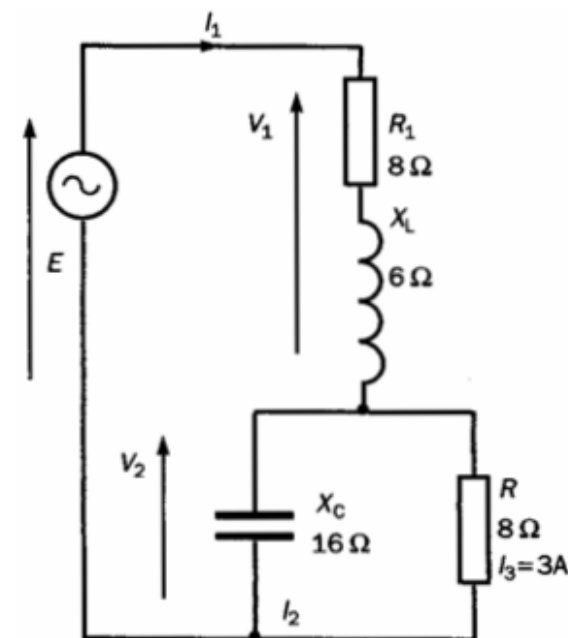
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## Example 15.1

Determine the supply current and source emf.



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Determine the supply current and source emf.

$$\text{VOLTAGE ACROSS } R = IR$$

$$I_3 = 3A = 3\angle 0^\circ$$

$$\therefore V_2 = 3\angle 0^\circ \times 8 = 24\angle 0^\circ V$$

$$I_2 = V_2 / X_C = \frac{24\angle 0^\circ}{-j16}$$

$$= \frac{24\angle 0^\circ}{16\angle -90^\circ} = 1.5\angle 90^\circ A$$

$$\underline{I_1 = I_2 + I_3 = (3 + j1.5) A}$$

$$V_1 = I_1 (R + jX_L) = I_1 (8 + j6)$$

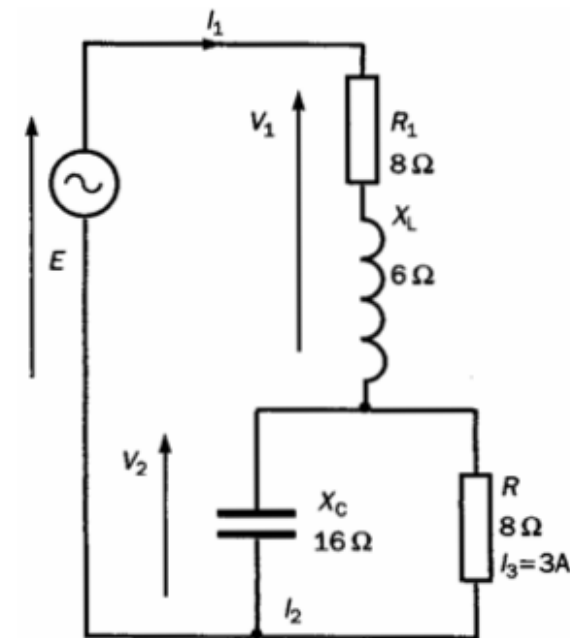
$$V_1 = (3 + j1.5)(8 + j6)$$

$$= 3.35\angle 26.6^\circ \times 10\angle 36.9^\circ$$

$$= 33.5\angle 63.5^\circ = (15 + j30)V$$

$$E = V_1 + V_2 = 24 + (15 + j30)$$

$$= 39 + j30 = \underline{\underline{49.2\angle 37.6^\circ V}}$$



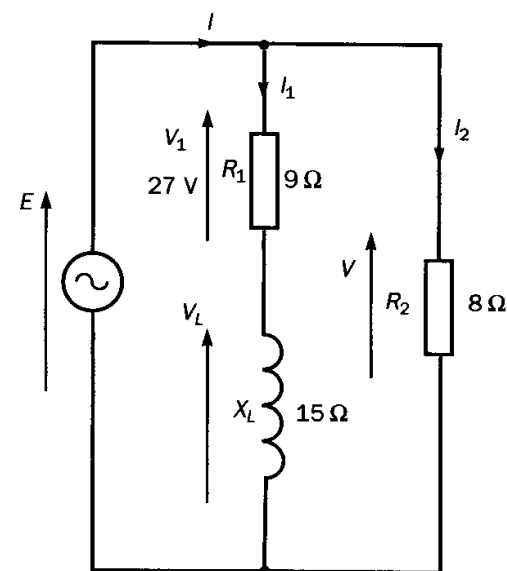
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## Example 15.2

Determine  $I_1$ ,  $E$ ,  $I_2$  and  $I$



$$L = j\ 15\ \Omega$$

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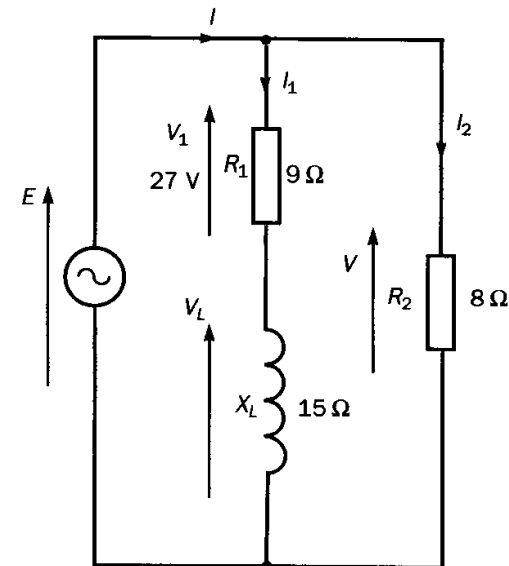
$$I_1 = V_1 / R_1 = \frac{27 \angle 0^\circ}{9 \angle 0^\circ} = \underline{\underline{3 \angle 0^\circ \text{ A}}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} V_L = I_1 X_L &= 3 \angle 0^\circ \times j15 \\ &= 3 \angle 0^\circ \times 15 \angle 90^\circ = 45 \angle 90^\circ \text{ V} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} V_1 + V_L &= (27 + j0) + (0 + j45) \\ &= (27 + j45) \text{ V} = \underline{\underline{52.5 \angle 59^\circ \text{ V}}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} V = E \quad \text{So } I_2 &= V / R_2 = \frac{52.5 \angle 59^\circ}{8} \\ &= 6.56 \angle 59^\circ \text{ A} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} I &= I_1 + I_2 = 3 + 6.56 \angle 59^\circ \\ &= 3 + (3.38 + j5.62) \\ &= \underline{\underline{6.38 + j5.62 = 8.5 \angle 41.4^\circ \text{ A}}} \end{aligned}$$

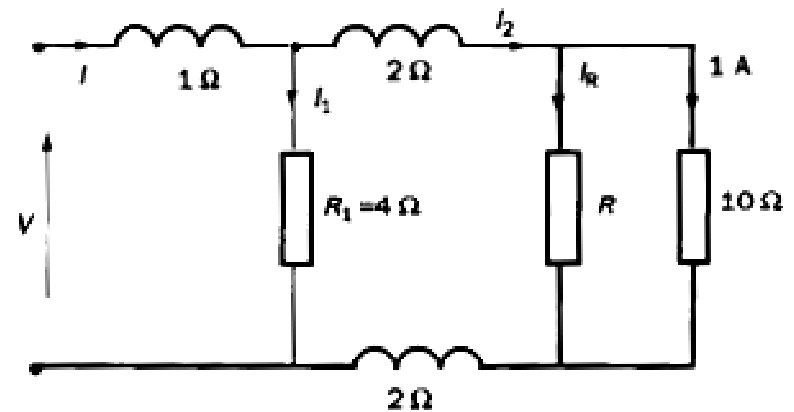


$$L = j 15 \Omega$$

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## Example 15.3

If the power dissipated in  $R$  is 20W, determine  $I$  and  $V$



$$L_1 = j 1 \Omega; L_2 = j 2 \Omega; L_3 = j 2 \Omega$$

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## Example 15.3

If the power dissipated in  $R$  is 20W, determine  $I$  and  $V$

$$V_R = 10 \times 1 = 10V$$

$$\text{So VOLTAGE ACROSS } R = 10V$$

$$\text{As POWER} = V^2/R = 20W$$

$$R = V^2/20 = 100/20 = 5\Omega$$

$$\text{CURRENT} = 2A$$

$$\therefore I_2 = 1 + 2 = 3A$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{VOLTAGE ACROSS } R_1 &= I_2(j2) + I_2(j2) + V_R \\ &= (10 + j12)V = 15.62 \angle 50.2^\circ \end{aligned}$$

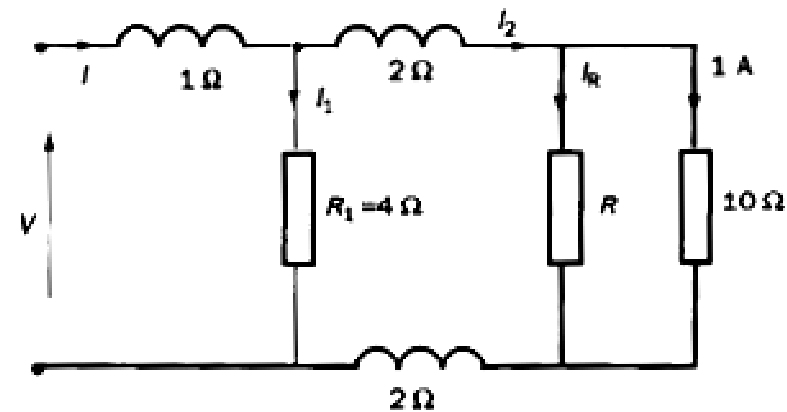
$$I_1 = V_1/R_1 = \frac{15.62 \angle 50.2^\circ}{4} = 3.9 \angle 50.2^\circ$$

$$I = I_1 + I_2 = 3.9 \angle 50.2^\circ + 3 = (2.5 + j3) + 3$$

$$\therefore \underline{I = (5.5 + j3)A = 6.3 \angle 28.6^\circ A}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{VOLTAGE ACROSS } jI \text{ INDUCTOR} &= 6.3 \angle 28.6^\circ \times 1 \angle 90^\circ \\ &= 6.3 \angle 118.6^\circ \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} V &= 6.3 \angle 118.6^\circ + (10 + j12) \\ &= (-3 + j5.53) + (10 + j12) = 7 + j17.53 \\ &= \underline{\underline{18.9 \angle 68.2^\circ V}} \end{aligned}$$

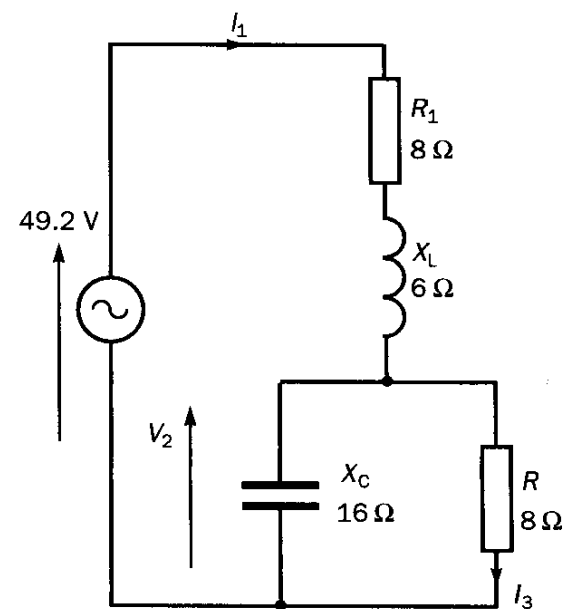


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## Example 15.4

Determine the supply current  $I_1$  and the branch current  $I_3$



$$L = j 6 \, \Omega \text{ and } C = -j 16 \, \Omega$$

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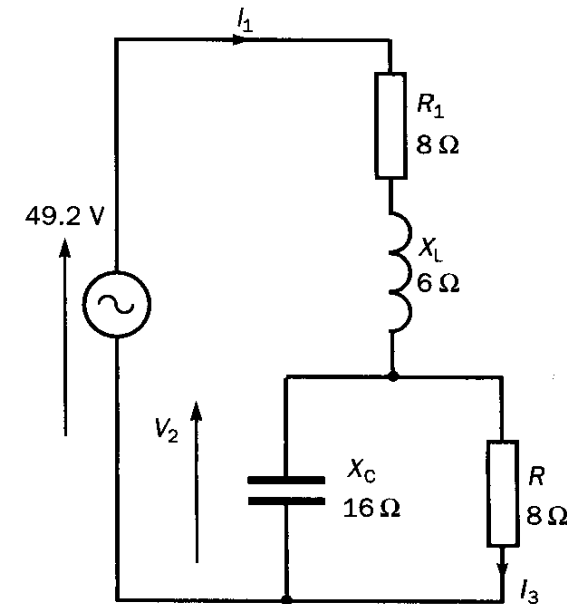
$$Y = \frac{1}{R} + \frac{1}{X_C} \text{ FOR PARALLEL}$$

$$Y = \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{-j16} = \frac{1}{8} + j\frac{1}{16}$$

$$= \frac{1}{16} (2 + j) = \frac{2.24}{16} \angle 26.57^\circ$$

$$X = \frac{1}{Y} = \frac{16}{2.24} \angle -26.57^\circ$$

$$= 7.14 \angle -26.57^\circ = (6.4 - j3.2)$$



$$L = j 6 \Omega \text{ and } C = -j 16 \Omega$$

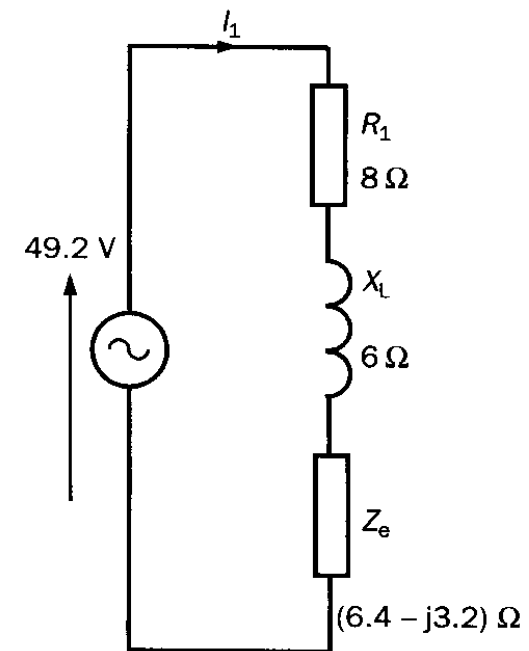
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## Example 15.4

Determine the supply current  $I_1$  and the branch current  $I_3$

$$I_1 = \frac{49.2}{Z} = \frac{49.2}{(14.4 + j2.8)} = \frac{49.2}{14.7 \angle 11^\circ}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{3.35 \angle -11^\circ \text{ A}}} = (3.3 - j0.64)$$



Total series impedance =  
 $(14.4 + j 2.8) \Omega$

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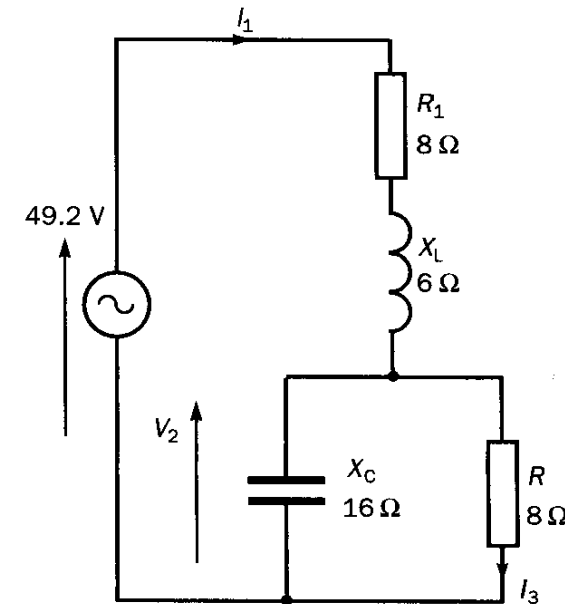
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$$I_1 = \frac{49.2}{Z} = \frac{49.2}{(14.4 + j2.8)} = \frac{49.2}{14.7 \angle 11^\circ}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{3.35 \angle -11^\circ \text{ A}}} = (3.3 - j0.64)$$

Using current division the above current can be split into the 2 component branches



Total series impedance =  
 $(14.4 + j 2.8) \Omega$



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Determine the supply current  $I_1$  and the branch current  $I_3$

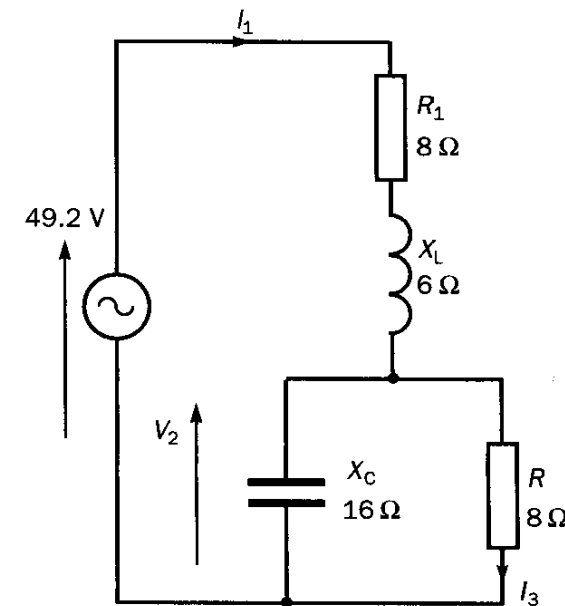
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$$I_3 = \frac{X_C}{R + X_C} I_1 = \frac{-j16}{(8 - j16)} 3.35 \angle -11^\circ$$

$$= \frac{16 \angle -90^\circ}{17.9 \angle -63.4^\circ} \times 3.35 \angle -11^\circ$$

$$= \underline{\underline{3 \angle -37.6^\circ}}$$



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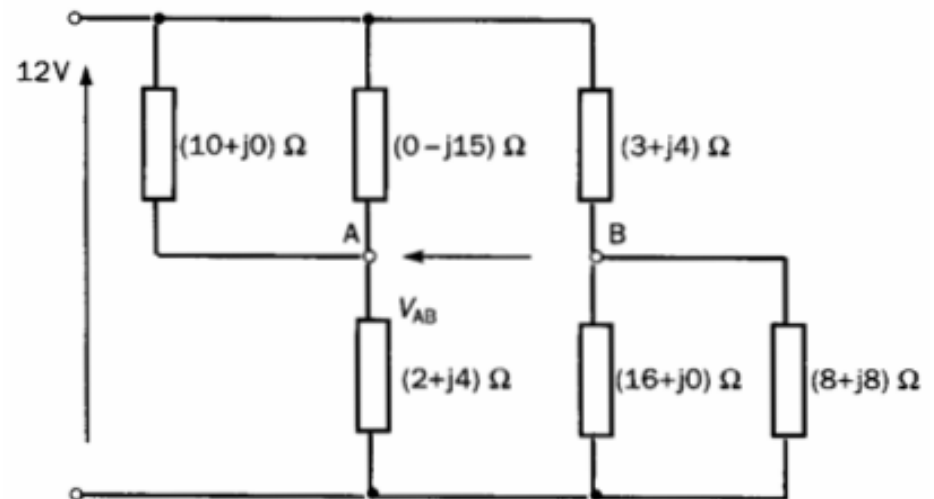
## Example 15.5

Determine  $V_{AB}$

Notice the parallel combinations.

You should practice this using both the admittance method and the parallel method

$$Z = Z_1 \times Z_2 / (Z_1 + Z_2)$$



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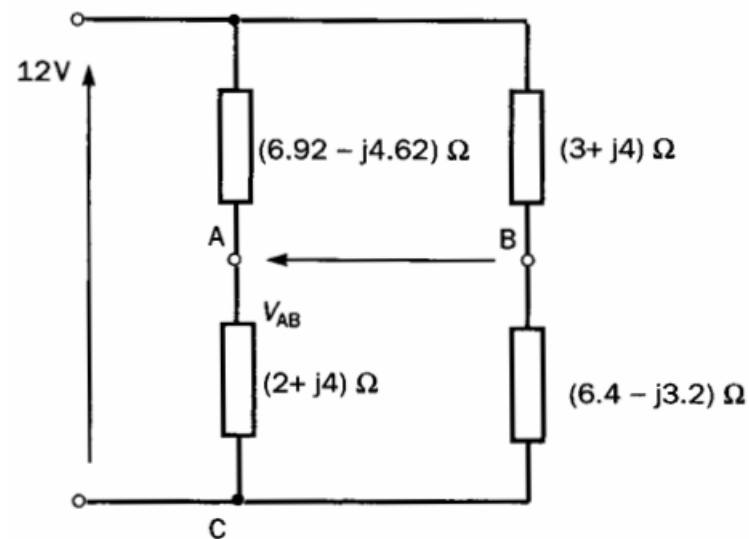
## Example 15.5

Determine  $V_{AB}$ 

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_{Ac} &= \frac{(2+j4)}{(2+j4) + (6.92 - j4.62)} \times 12 \\
 &= \frac{(24 + j48)}{(8.92 - j0.62)} \\
 &= \frac{53.67 \angle 63.43^\circ}{8.94 \angle -4^\circ} \\
 &= \underline{\underline{6 \angle 67.43^\circ}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{SIMILARLY } V_{Bc} = 2.4 \angle 0^\circ$$

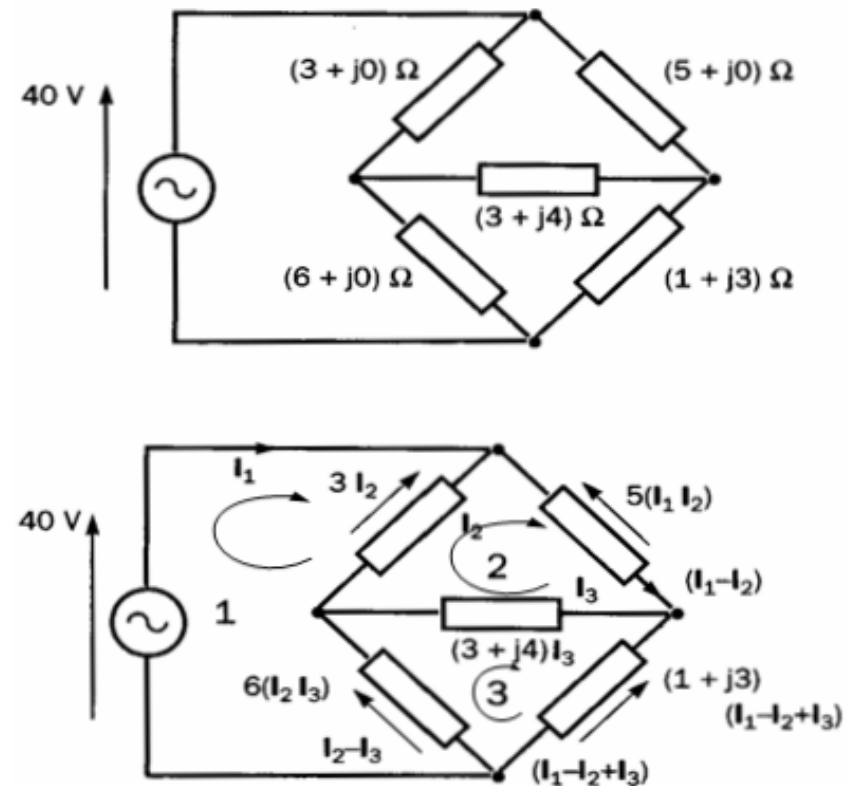
$$\begin{aligned}
 V_{AB} &= V_{Ac} - V_{Bc} = (2.62 + j5.54) - 2.4 \\
 &= 0.22 + j5.54 \\
 &= \underline{\underline{5.55 \angle 87.7^\circ \text{ V}}}
 \end{aligned}$$



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## Example 15.6

Calculate the current in the  $(3 + j4)\Omega$  impedance



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Loop 1

$$40 = 9I_1 - 3I_2 - 6I_3$$

Loop 2

$$0 = (11 + j4)I_2 - 3I_1 - (3 + j4)I_3$$

Loop 3

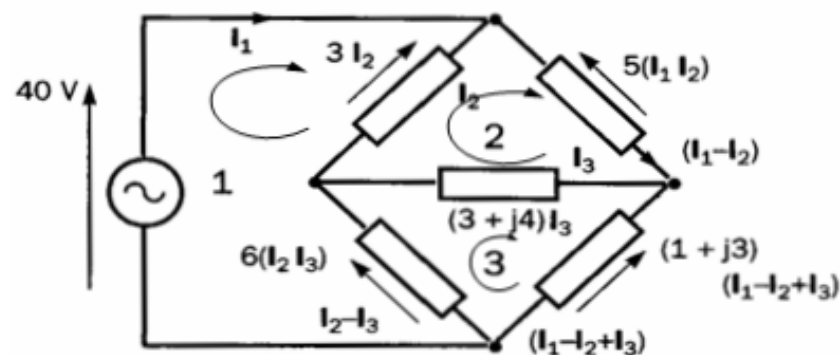
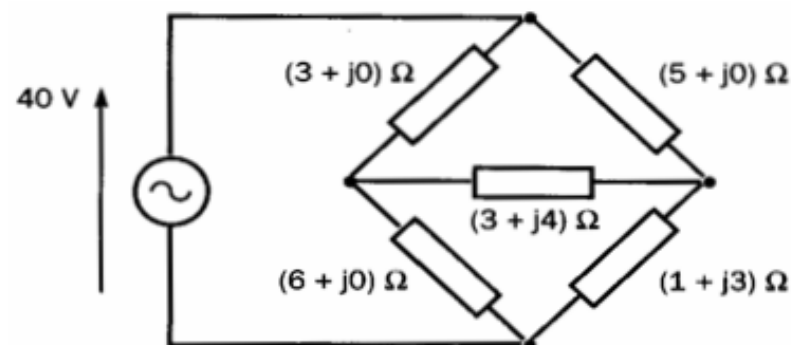
$$0 = (10 + j7)I_3 - (3 + j4)I_2 - 6I_1$$

Hence

$$\textcircled{1} \quad 40 = 9I_1 - 3I_2 - 6I_3$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad 0 = -3I_1 + (11 + j4)I_2 - (3 + j4)I_3$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad 0 = -6I_1 - (3 + j4)I_2 + (10 + j7)I_3$$



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$$\textcircled{1} + 3 \times \textcircled{2} \rightarrow 40 = (30 + j12)I_2 - (15 + j12)I_3$$

$$\textcircled{3} - 2 \times \textcircled{2} \rightarrow 0 = -(25 + j12)I_2 + (16 + j15)I_3$$

$$\text{Hence } I_2 = \frac{(16 + j15)}{(25 + j12)} I_3 = \frac{21.93 \angle 43.3}{27.73 \angle 25.6} I_3$$

$$I_2 = 0.791 \angle 17.56^\circ I_3$$

$$\text{AND } 40 = [(30 + j12)(0.791 \angle 17.56^\circ) - (15 + j12)] I_3$$

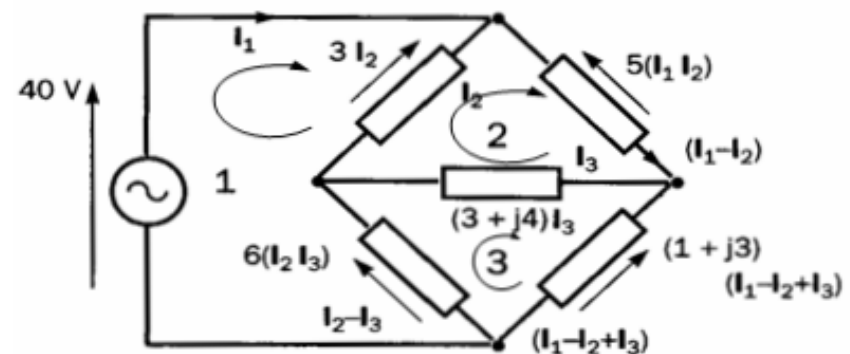
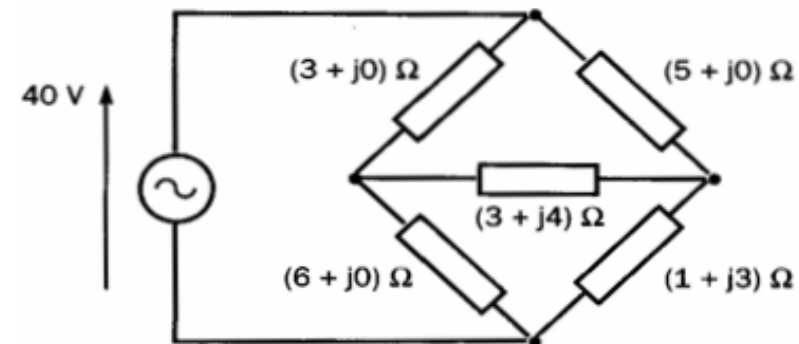
$$\therefore 40 = [32.31 \angle 21.8^\circ - (15 + j12)] I_3$$

$$= [25.55 \angle 39.36^\circ - (15 + j12)] I_3$$

$$= [19.75 + j16.2 - 15 - j12] I_3$$

$$= (4.75 + j4.2) I_3$$

$$\text{Hence } I_3 = \frac{40}{6.34 \angle 41.5^\circ} = 6.3 \angle -41.5^\circ$$



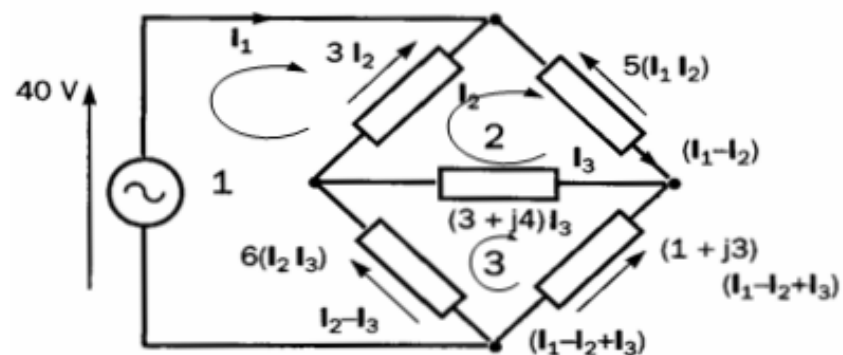
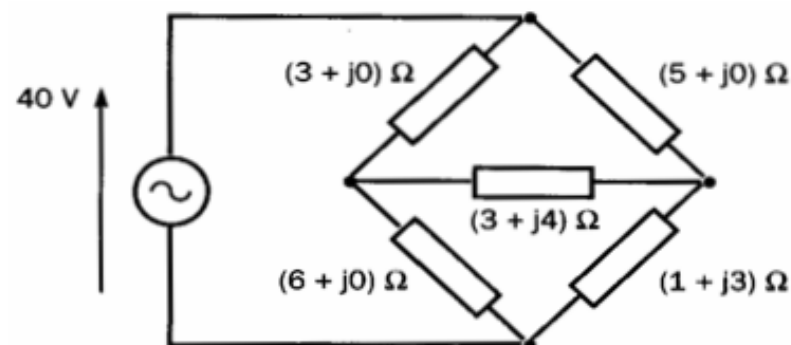
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Calculate the current in the  $(3 + j4)\Omega$  impedance

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_2 &= 0.791 \angle 17.56^\circ I_3 \\
 &= 0.791 \angle 17.56^\circ \times 6.3 \angle -41^\circ \\
 &= 4.982 \angle -23.44^\circ \\
 &= 4.57 - j1.98
 \end{aligned}$$

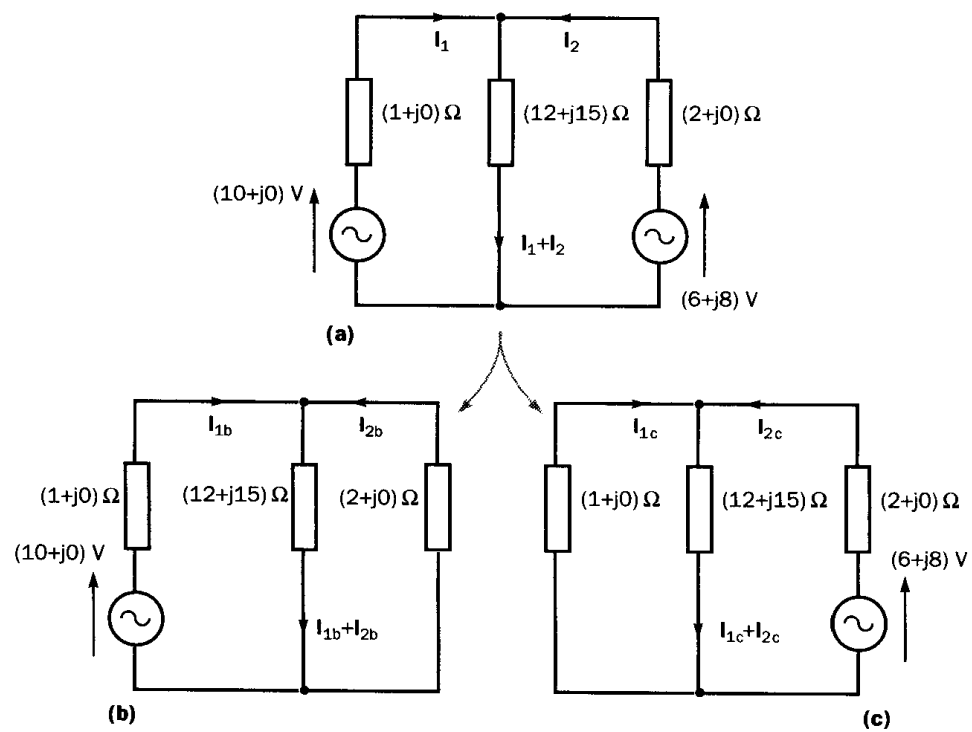
$$\begin{aligned}
 I_3 - I_2 &= 0.185 - j2.153 \\
 &= \underline{\underline{2.16 \angle -85^\circ \text{ A}}}
 \end{aligned}$$



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## Example 15.7

*Determine, by using superposition, the currents in the network*





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## Example 15.7

Determine, by using superposition, the currents in the network

For circuit (b)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b) } Z &= (1+j0) + (12+j15) \parallel (2+j0) \\ &= 1 + \frac{24+j30}{14+j15} = 1 + \frac{38.4 \angle 51.3}{20.5 \angle 46.97} \\ &= 1 + 1.87 \angle 4.33 = 2.87 + j0.14 \end{aligned}$$

$$I_{1b} = \frac{10+j0}{2.87+j0.14} = (3.48 - j0.17) \text{ A}$$

$$\begin{aligned} -I_{2b} &= (3.48 - j0.17) \times \frac{12+j15}{(12+j15) + (2+j0)} \\ &= (3.24 + j0.09) \text{ A} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{AND } I_{1b} + I_{2b} &= (3.48 - j0.17) - (3.24 + j0.09) \\ &= (0.24 - j0.26) \text{ A} \end{aligned}$$

ETC.

