

# VE215 RC5

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# Overview

## AC Power Analysis

Instantaneous Power

Maximum Average Power Transfer

Effective or RMS Value

Complex Power

Power Factor Correction

# Instantaneous and Average Power

Both  $v(t)$  and  $i(t)$  here are instantaneous values. (not rms)

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

Instantaneous power:

$$\begin{aligned} p(t) &= V_m I_m \cos(\omega t + \theta_v) \cos(\omega t + \theta_i) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} V_m I_m \cos(\theta_v - \theta_i) + \frac{1}{2} V_m I_m \cos(2\omega t + \theta_v + \theta_i) \end{aligned}$$

# Average Power

General definition:

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

For sinusoids,

$$P = \frac{1}{2} V_m I_m \cos(\theta_v - \theta_i)$$

Represented with phasor  $\tilde{V}$  and  $\tilde{I}$ ,

$$P = \frac{1}{2} \text{Re}(\tilde{V} \tilde{I}^*)$$

## Average Power

- ▶ when  $\theta_v - \theta_i = 0$ , purely resistive load  $R$ .

$$P = \frac{1}{2} I_m^2 R = \frac{1}{2} \frac{V_m^2}{R}$$

(the second equality not true when  $\theta_v - \theta_i \neq 0$ )

- ▶ when  $|\theta_v - \theta_i| = 90^\circ$ , purely reactive load  $X$ . It absorbs no **average** power.
- ▶ Generally,

$$\begin{aligned} P &= \frac{1}{2} V_m I_m \cos(\theta_v - \theta_i) = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Re}(\tilde{V} \tilde{I}^*) = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Re}((\tilde{I} Z) \tilde{I}^*) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Re}(I^2 R + j I^2 X) = \frac{1}{2} I_m^2 R \end{aligned}$$

(Only resistance contributes to the average power absorbance)

# Maximum Average Power Transfer

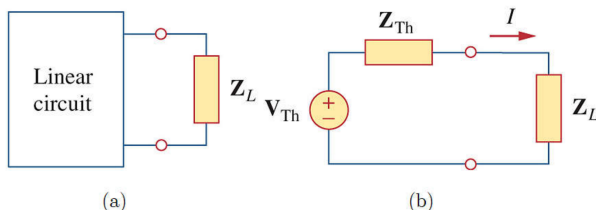


Figure 11.7 Finding the maximum average power transfer  
(a) circuit with a load, (b) the Thevenin equivalent.

- If there is no restriction on  $Z_L$ ,

$$R_L = R_{Th} \quad X_L = -X_{Th} \quad P_{max} = \frac{|V_{Th}^2|}{8R_{Th}}$$

- If  $Z_L$  is purely resistive,

$$R_L = \sqrt{R_{Th}^2 + X_{Th}^2}$$

## Effective or RMS Value

Definition: The effective value of a periodic current is the dc current that delivers the same average power to a resistor as the periodic current (similarly for voltage).

$$I_{\text{eff}}^2 R = \frac{R}{T} \int_0^T i^2 dt$$

Effective value = RMS (root mean square) value.

$$I_{\text{rms}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T i^2 dt} = I_{\text{eff}}$$

$$V_{\text{rms}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T v^2 dt} = V_{\text{eff}}$$

# Effective or RMS Value

- ▶ Avg power absorbed by a circuit element (generally true):

$$P = I_{rms}^2 R = V_{rms}^2 \frac{R}{R^2 + X^2}$$

$$P = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Re}(\tilde{V} \tilde{I}^*) = \operatorname{Re}(\tilde{V}_{rms} \tilde{I}_{rms}^*) = \frac{1}{2} I_m^2 R = I_{rms}^2 R = \frac{1}{2} V_m^2 \operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{1}{Z^*}\right) = V_{rms}^2 \frac{R}{R^2 + X^2}$$

- ▶ RMS value for a sinusoid **sinusoid**:

$$I_{rms} = \frac{I_m}{\sqrt{2}} \quad V_{rms} = \frac{V_m}{\sqrt{2}}$$

- ▶ Average power absorbed by an element in a **sinusoidal** circuit:

$$P = V_{rms} I_{rms} \cos(\theta_v - \theta_i)$$



## Effective or RMS Value

**Caution: from now on, unless specified, all values will be assumed to be RMS values.**

# Complex Power

We define this “complex power” that includes all the information.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Complex Power} &= \tilde{S} = \tilde{V}_{rms} \tilde{I}_{rms}^* = |I_{rms}| |V_{rms}| \angle(\theta_v - \theta_i) \\ &= |S| \angle(\theta_v - \theta_i) \text{ (polar form)} \\ &= P + jQ \text{ (rectangular form)}\end{aligned}$$

Value	Name	Meaning	Unit
$ S $	Apparent power	Magnitude of $\tilde{S}$	VA
$\cos(\theta_v - \theta_i)$	Power factor	Cosine of angle of $\tilde{S}$	/
$P$	Real power	Real part of $\tilde{S}$	W
$Q$	Complex power	Imaginary part of $\tilde{S}$	VAR

# Complex Power

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$$\tilde{S} = \tilde{V}_{rms} \tilde{I}_{rms}^* = |I_{rms}| |V_{rms}| \angle(\theta_v - \theta_i) = |S| \angle(\theta_v - \theta_i) = P + jQ$$
$$\tilde{S} = |I_{rms}|^2 Z = \frac{|V_{rms}|^2}{Z^*}$$

- ▶ Apparent power

$$|S| = |V_{rms}| |I_{rms}| = |I_{rms}|^2 |Z| = \sqrt{P^2 + Q^2}$$

- ▶ Real power

$$P = \operatorname{Re}(\tilde{S}) = |S| \cos(\theta_v - \theta_i) = |I_{rms}|^2 R$$

- ▶ Complex power

$$Q = \operatorname{Im}(\tilde{S}) = |S| \sin(\theta_v - \theta_i) = |I_{rms}|^2 X$$

- ▶ Power factor

$$\text{pf} = \frac{P}{|S|} = \cos(\theta_v - \theta_i)$$

# Complex Power

Power factor  $\text{pf} = \frac{P}{|S|} = \cos(\theta_v - \theta_i)$ :

- ▶  $\theta_v - \theta_i < 0$ : leading pf
- ▶  $\theta_v - \theta_i > 0$ : lagging pf

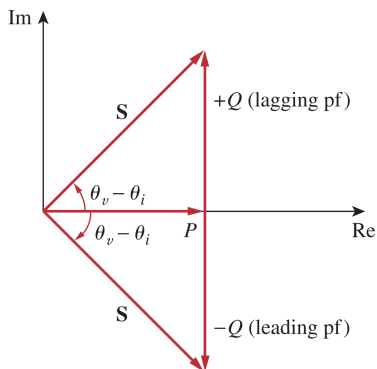
Since  $\cos(\theta_v - \theta_i) = \cos(\theta_i - \theta_v)$ , the pf value only tells part of the story. Every time you are asked for a power factor, **you must declare whether it is leading or lagging.**

# Complex Power

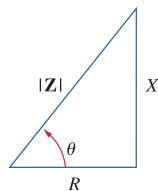
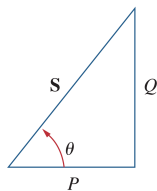
We can use the sign of pf angle or  $Q$  to identify the property of the circuit and the loads:

	(1)	(2)	(3)
pf Angle	$\theta_v - \theta_i = 0$	$\theta_v - \theta_i < 0$	$\theta_v - \theta_i > 0$
Sign of $Q$	$Q = 0$	$Q < 0$	$Q > 0$
Properties	Unity pf $I, V$ in phase $X = 0$ Resistive loads	Leading pf $I$ leads $V$ $X < 0$ Capacitive loads	Lagging pf $I$ lags $V$ $X > 0$ Inductive loads

# Complex Power



And observe that the power factor angle is equal to the angle of the impedance of that part of the circuit.



## Exercise 1

### Question:

A series-connected load draws a current  $i(t) = 4\cos(100\pi t + 10^\circ)\text{A}$  when the applied voltage is  $v(t) = 120\cos(100\pi t - 20^\circ)\text{V}$ . Find the apparent power and the power factor of the load. Determine the element values that form the series-connected load.

# Exercise 1

## Solution:

The apparent power is

$$S = V_{\text{rms}} I_{\text{rms}} = \frac{120}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{4}{\sqrt{2}} = 240 \text{ VA}$$

The power factor is

$$\text{pf} = \cos(\theta_v - \theta_i) = \cos(-20^\circ - 10^\circ) = 0.866 \quad (\text{leading})$$

The pf is leading because the current leads the voltage. The pf may also be obtained from the load impedance.

$$\mathbf{Z} = \frac{\mathbf{V}}{\mathbf{I}} = \frac{120 \angle -20^\circ}{4 \angle 10^\circ} = 30 \angle -30^\circ = 25.98 - j15 \, \Omega$$
$$\text{pf} = \cos(-30^\circ) = 0.866 \quad (\text{leading})$$

The load impedance  $\mathbf{Z}$  can be modeled by a 25.98- $\Omega$  resistor in series with a capacitor with

$$X_C = -15 = -\frac{1}{\omega C}$$

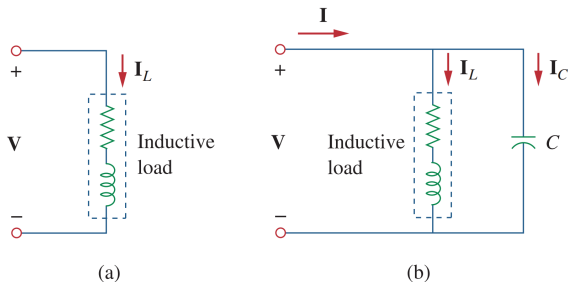
or

$$C = \frac{1}{15\omega} = \frac{1}{15 \times 100\pi} = 212.2 \, \mu\text{F}$$



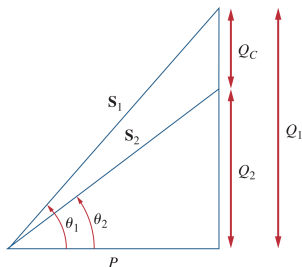
# Power Factor Correction

- ▶ Goal: increase the pf of a load  $\rightarrow$  make it less inductive  $\rightarrow$  reduce energy loss
- ▶ Solution: add a capacitor in parallel to the load



# Power Factor Correction

Goal: increase the pf from  $\cos \theta_1$  to  $\cos \theta_2$ .



Initial:

$$P = |S_1| \cos \theta_1$$

$$Q_1 = |S_1| \sin \theta_1 = P \tan \theta_1$$

The “after” we expect:

$$P = |S_2| \cos \theta_2$$

$$Q_2 = |S_2| \sin \theta_2 = P \tan \theta_2$$

Since  $Q_c (= Q_1 - Q_2) = \frac{V_{rms}^2}{X_c}$ , then the value of the required capacitance  $C$  is

$$C = \frac{Q_c}{\omega V_{rms}^2} = \frac{Q_2 - Q_1}{\omega V_{rms}^2} = \frac{P(\tan \theta_1 - \tan \theta_2)}{\omega V_{rms}^2}$$

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**Formula:** 
$$C = \frac{P \tan(\theta_1 - \theta_2)}{\omega \cdot V_{rms}^2}$$

**Answer:** 310.5  $\mu\text{F}$

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Thank you!