

AC Fundamentals

Day 13

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AC circuits

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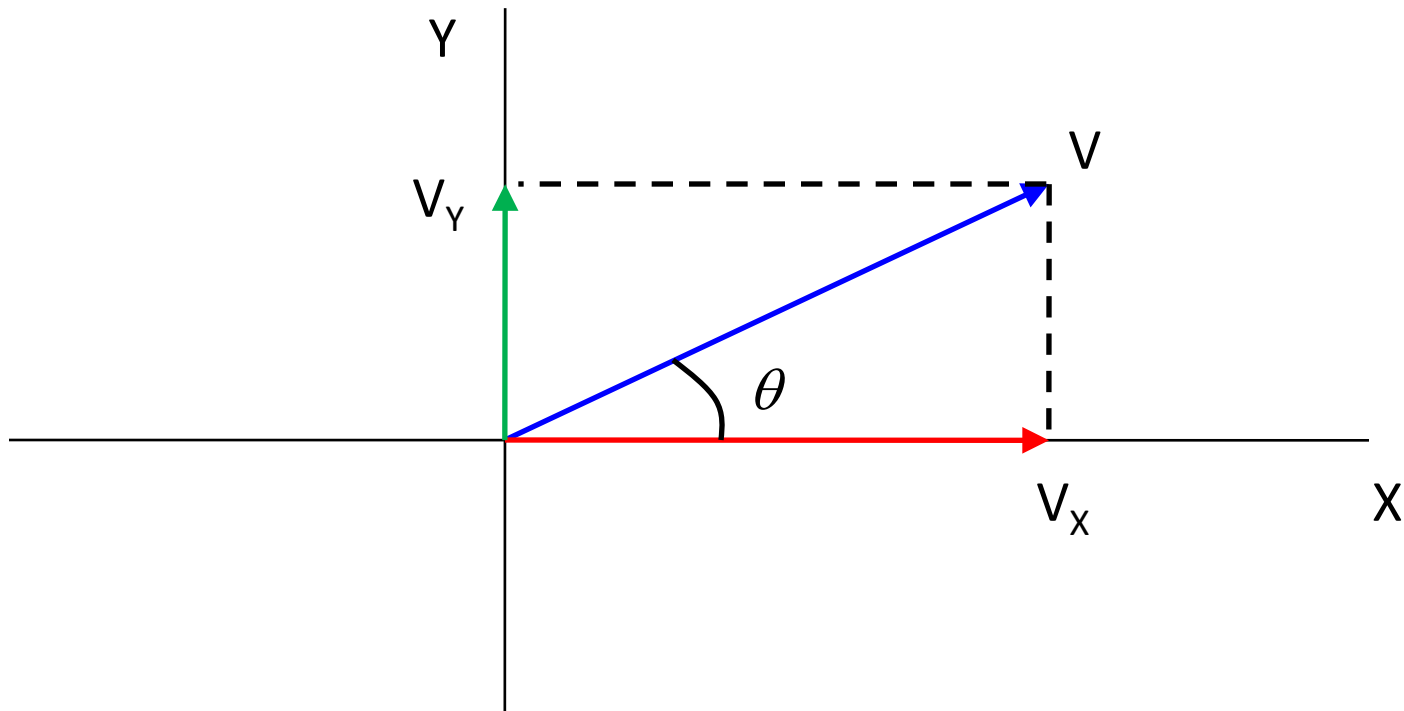
- Introduce the use of complex notations for AC circuits
- Perform addition and subtraction of complex quantities
- Perform multiplication and division of complex quantities
- Represent RL circuit by complex quantities
- Represent RC circuit by complex quantities
- Define and explain Admittance, conductance, susceptance

Complex notation applied to AC circuits

- Recapitulate basic concepts of complex numbers, their representations, and mathematical operations
- Use complex numbers to denote RL and RC circuits
- Define impedance, conductance, admittance, susceptance of circuit elements and obtain expressions for these in terms of complex numbers

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- For example, the voltage phasor V in the following diagram is resolved into two components
- V_x along the positive X-axis (horizontal component)
- V_y along the positive Y axis (vertical component)

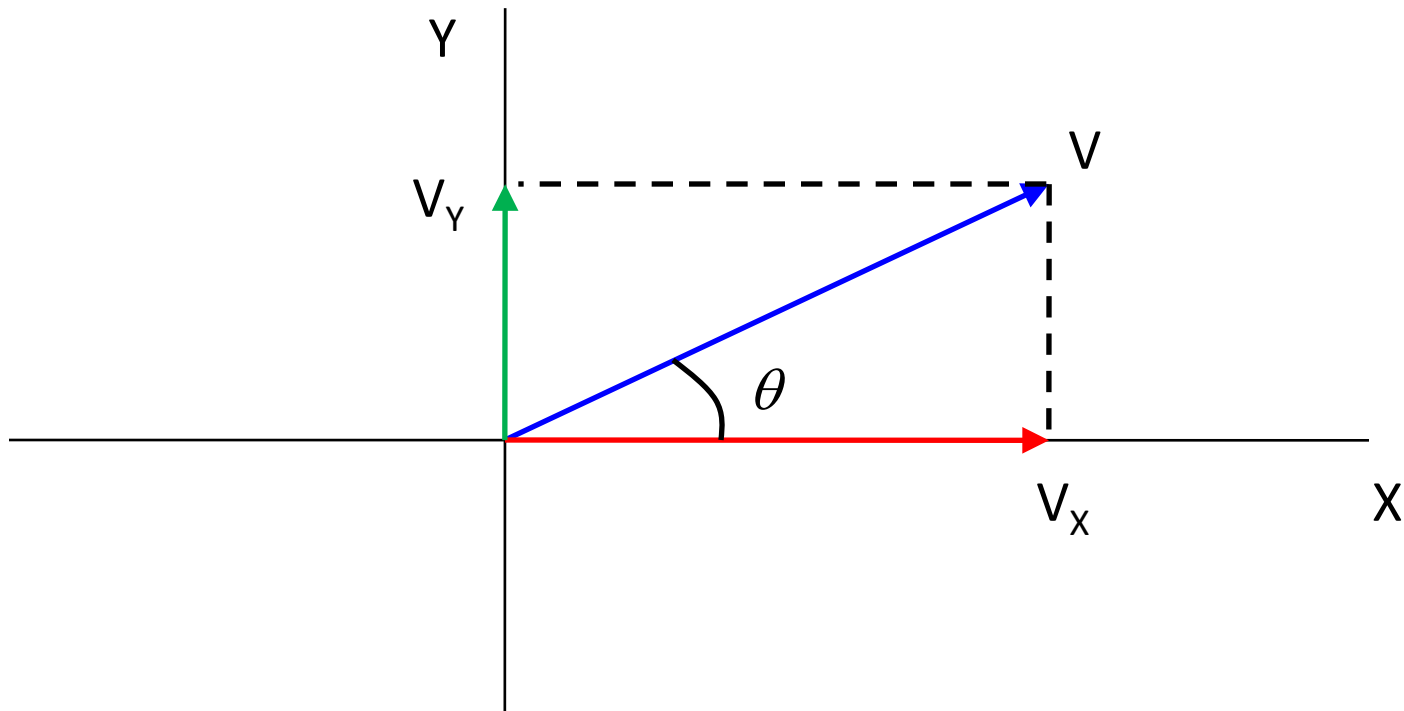


Complex notation applied to AC circuits

- We have the relation: $V^2 = V_X^2 + V_Y^2$

$$V_X = V \cos \theta$$

$$V_Y = V \sin \theta$$

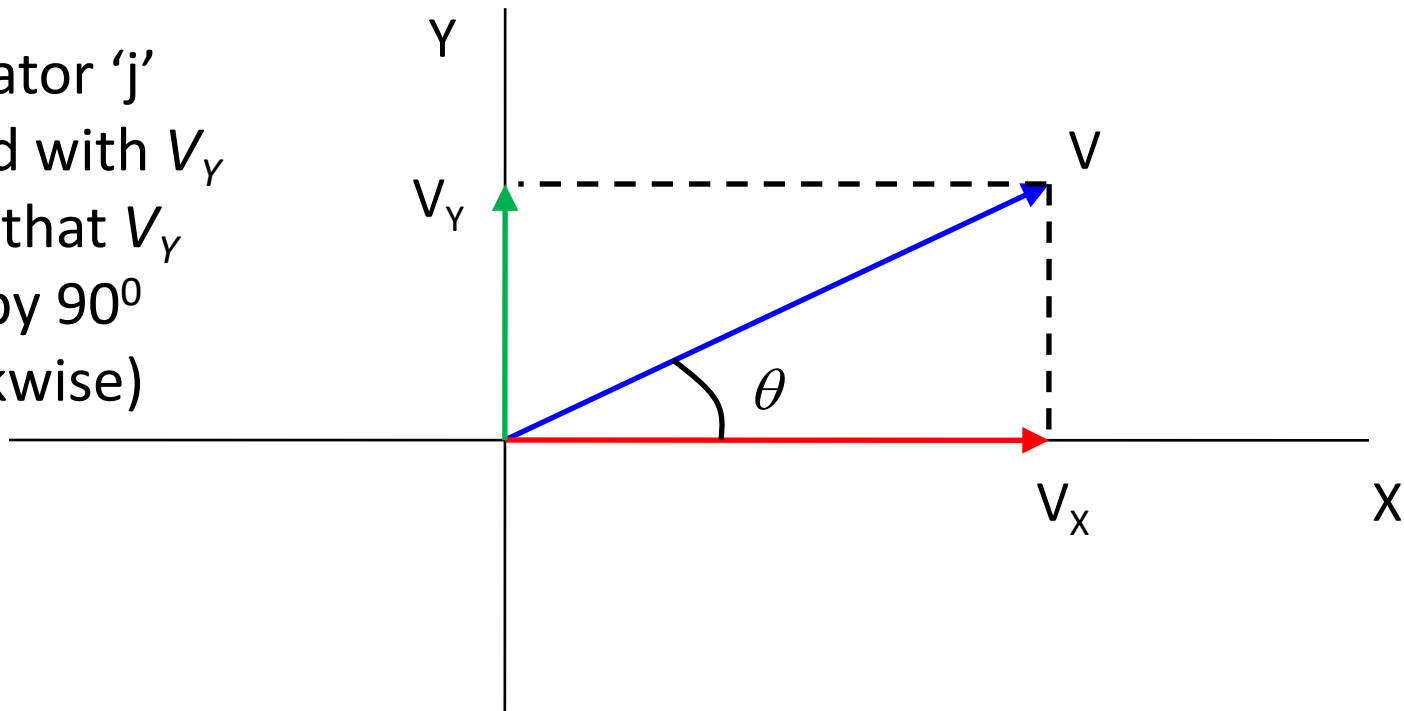


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$$V_X = V \cos \theta \quad V_Y = V \sin \theta$$

- The voltage V and its two components can be represented in **Cartesian** or **complex** or **rectangular** form as: $V = V_X + jV_Y = V \cos \theta + jV \sin \theta$

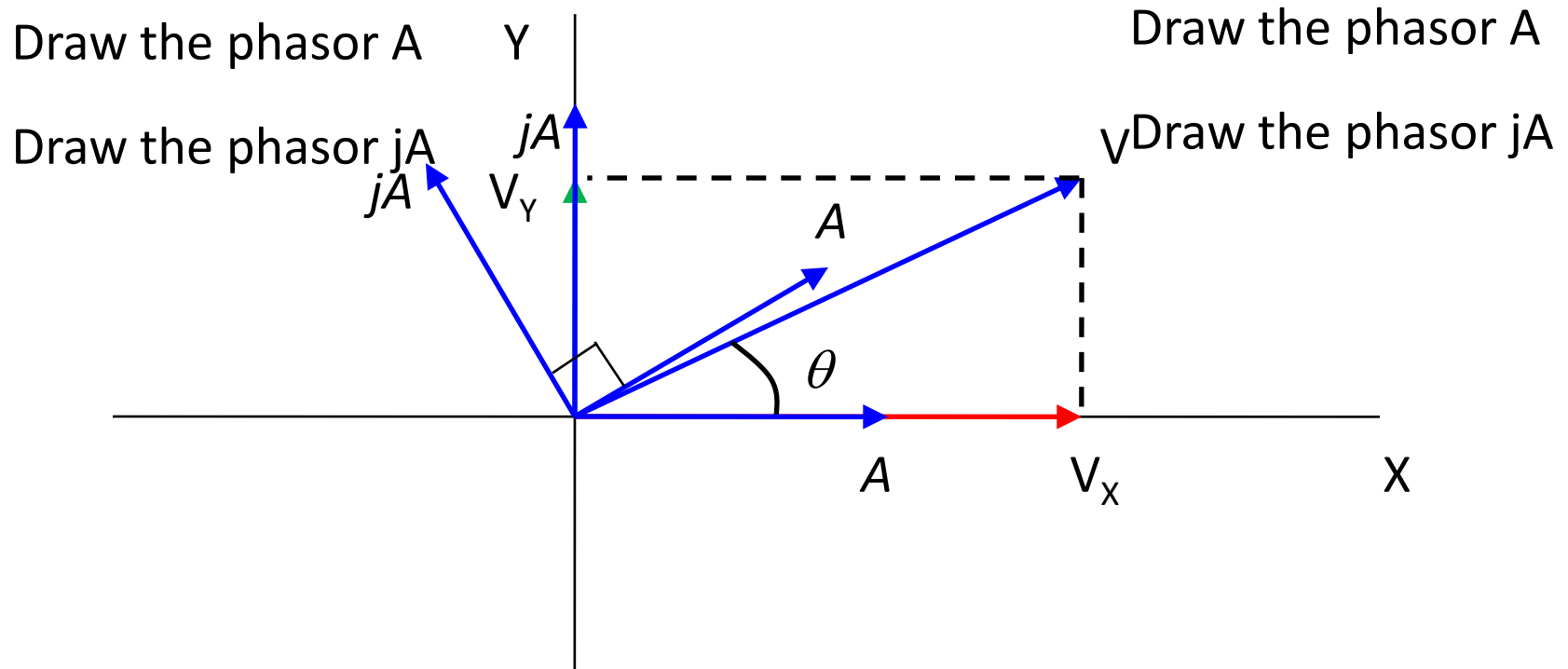
The operator 'j'
multiplied with V_Y
indicates that V_Y
leads V_X by 90°
(anticlockwise)



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$$V = V_X + jV_Y = V \cos \theta + jV \sin \theta$$

- Here the quantity '**j**' is an operator which when multiplied to any phasor, the phasor is rotated by 90° **anticlockwise**



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- Similarly, when a phasor is to be rotated by 90° **clockwise**, it is to be multiplied by the quantity $-j$
- Mathematically, $j = \sqrt{-1}$
- In mathematics, $\sqrt{-1}$ is denoted by i but in electrical engineering j is adopted because letter i is reserved for representing current
- This helps to avoid confusion

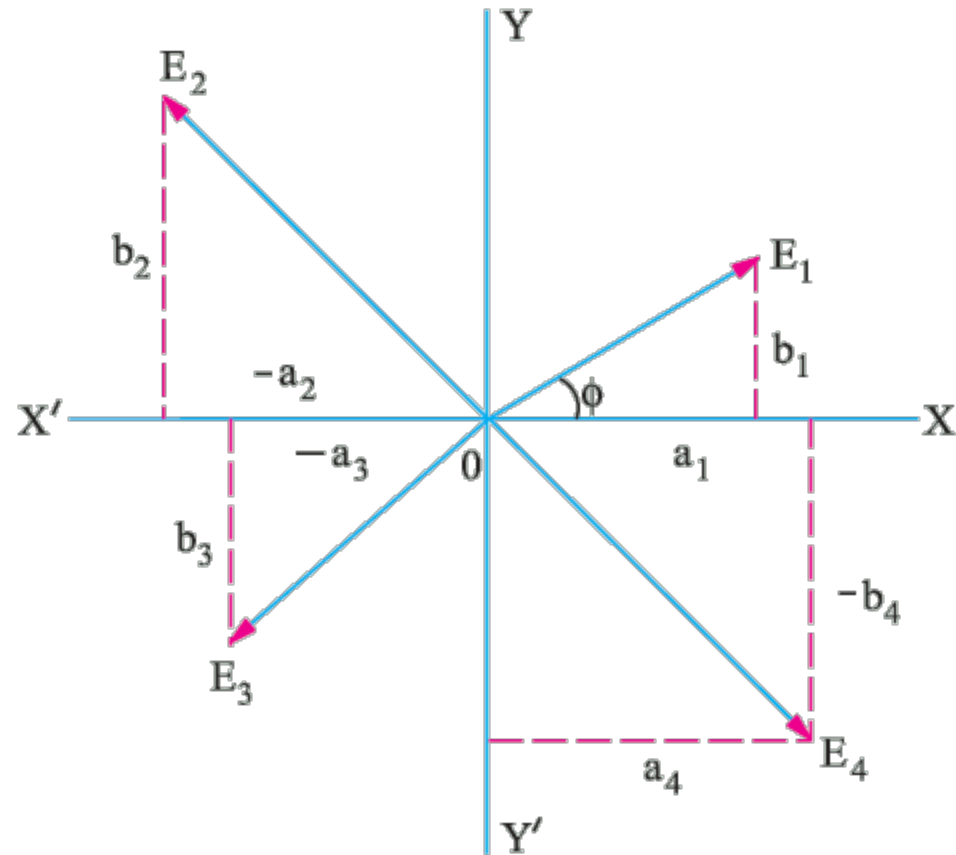
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$$E_1 = a_1 + jb_1$$

$$E_2 = -a_2 + jb_2$$

$$E_3 = -a_3 - jb_3$$

$$E_4 = a_4 - jb_4$$



Complex notation applied to AC circuits

- When operator j is multiplied to a vector E , we get the new vector jE which is displaced by 90° in CCW direction from E
- If we apply the operator j once again, the vector will be rotated further by 90° CCW thus giving a total 180° rotation CCW from its original position, hence we have $j^2E = -E$
- If the operator j is again applied to the vector j^2E , the result is $j^3E = -jE$
- The vector j^3E is now 270° CCW away from the reference axis
- If the vector j^3E is operated on by j again, the result will be:

$$j^4E = (\sqrt{-1})^4 E = E$$

- Hence, it is seen that successive applications of the operator j to the vector E produce successive 90° steps of rotation of the vector in the CCW direction without in anyway affecting the magnitude of the vector

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Also note:

$$\frac{1}{j} = \frac{j}{j^2} = \frac{j}{-1} = -j$$

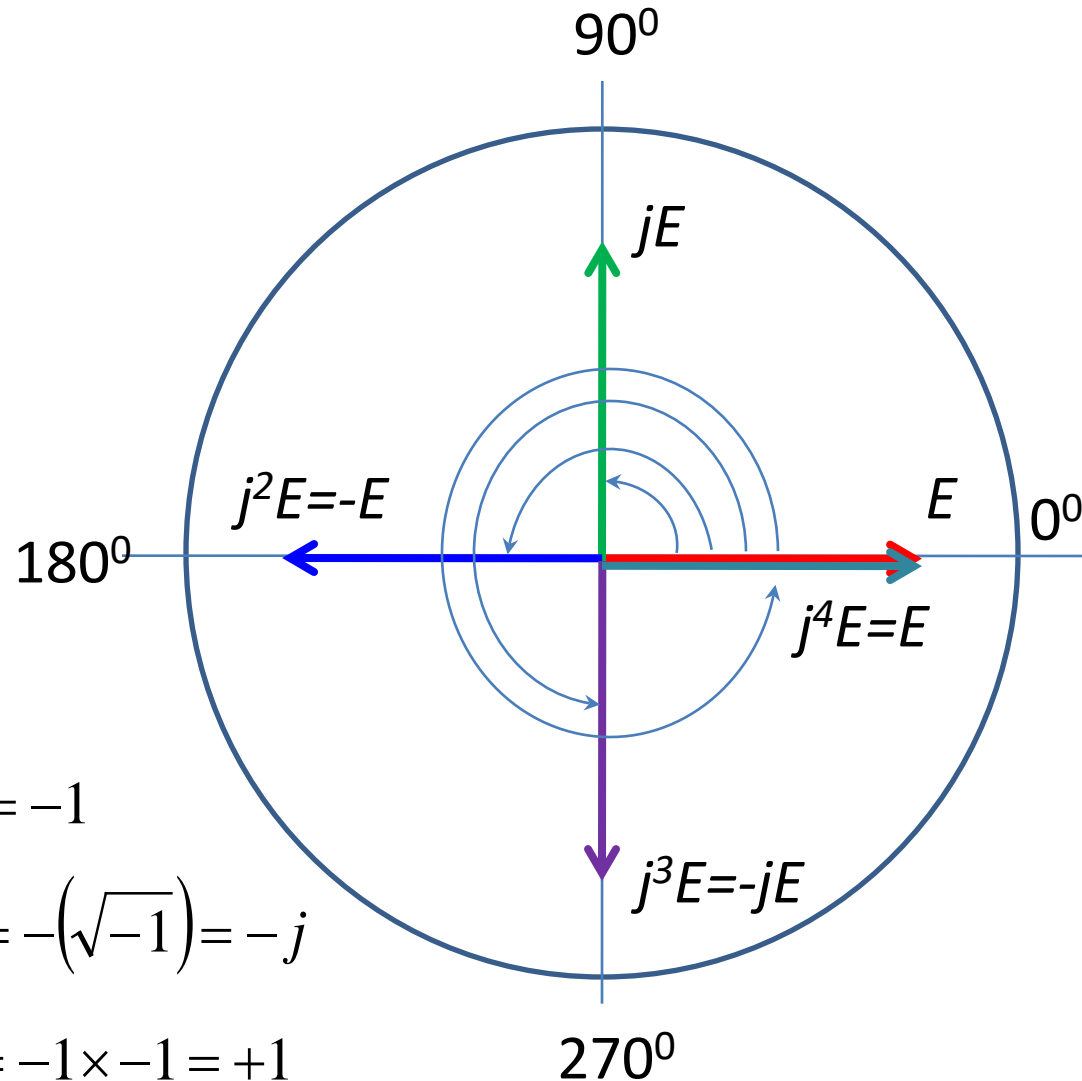
Summary of j operation

$$j = 90^\circ \text{ CCW rotation} = \sqrt{-1}$$

$$j^2 = 180^\circ \text{ CCW rotation} = (\sqrt{-1})^2 = -1$$

$$j^3 = 270^\circ \text{ CCW rotation} = (\sqrt{-1})^3 = -(\sqrt{-1}) = -j$$

$$j^4 = 360^\circ \text{ CCW rotation} = (\sqrt{-1})^4 = -1 \times -1 = +1$$



Complex notation applied to AC circuits

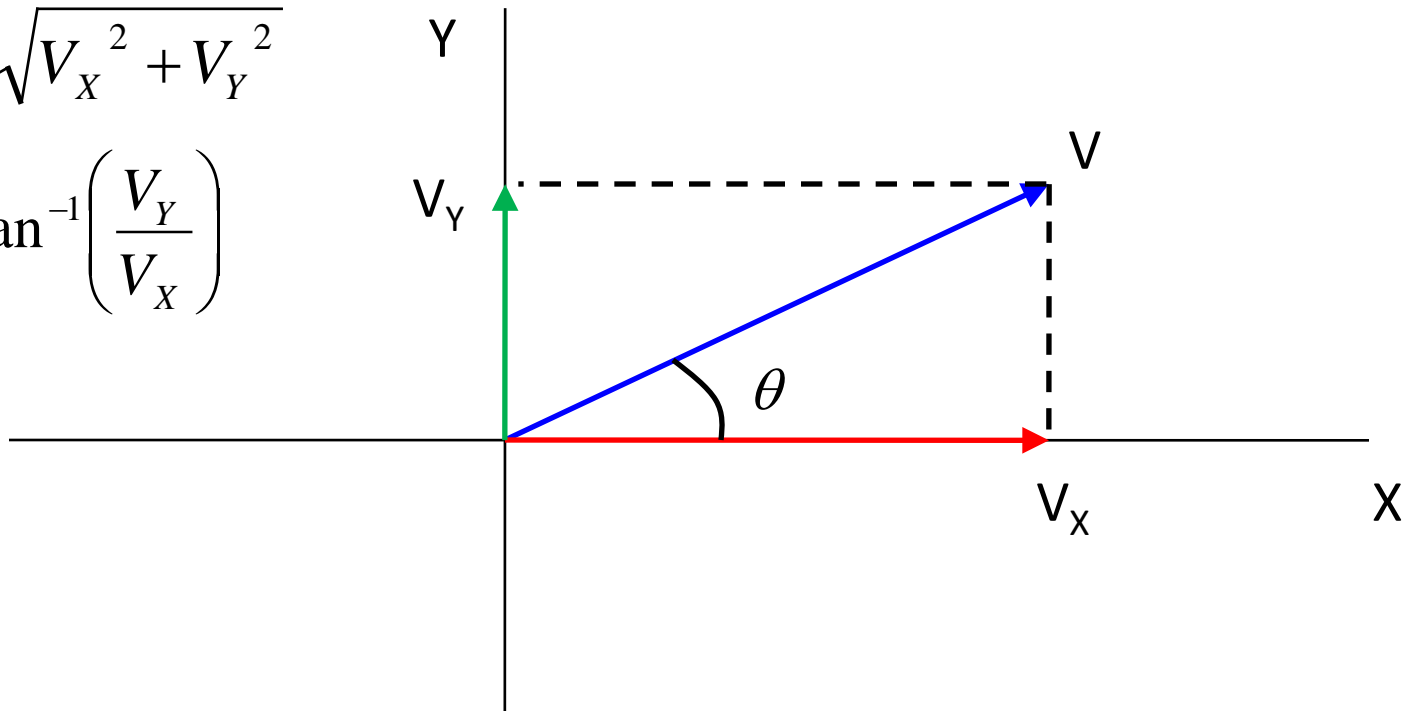
$$V = V_X + jV_Y = V \cos \theta + jV \sin \theta$$

- The same voltage phasor V in the diagram can be represented in **polar form** also as:

$$V = |V| \angle \theta$$

$$|V| = \sqrt{V_X^2 + V_Y^2}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{V_Y}{V_X} \right)$$



Addition and subtraction of complex quantities

- ***Rectangular form is best suited for addition and subtraction of vector quantities***
- Suppose we are given two vector quantities $\mathbf{E}_1 = \mathbf{a}_1 + j\mathbf{b}_1$ and $\mathbf{E}_2 = \mathbf{a}_2 + j\mathbf{b}_2$ and it is required to find their sum and difference

Addition:

$$\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{E}_1 + \mathbf{E}_2 = (\mathbf{a}_1 + j\mathbf{b}_1) + (\mathbf{a}_2 + j\mathbf{b}_2) = (\mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{a}_2) + j(\mathbf{b}_1 + \mathbf{b}_2)$$

The magnitude of resultant vector \mathbf{E} is

$$|\mathbf{E}| = |(\mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{a}_2) + j(\mathbf{b}_1 + \mathbf{b}_2)| = \sqrt{(\mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{a}_2)^2 + (\mathbf{b}_1 + \mathbf{b}_2)^2}$$

The angle of resultant vector \mathbf{E} is

$$\angle \mathbf{E} = \theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\mathbf{b}_1 + \mathbf{b}_2}{\mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{a}_2} \right)$$

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Subtraction:

$$\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{E}_1 - \mathbf{E}_2 = (\mathbf{a}_1 + j\mathbf{b}_1) - (\mathbf{a}_2 + j\mathbf{b}_2) = (\mathbf{a}_1 - \mathbf{a}_2) + j(\mathbf{b}_1 - \mathbf{b}_2)$$

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$$|\mathbf{E}| = |(\mathbf{a}_1 - \mathbf{a}_2) + j(\mathbf{b}_1 - \mathbf{b}_2)| = \sqrt{(\mathbf{a}_1 - \mathbf{a}_2)^2 + (\mathbf{b}_1 - \mathbf{b}_2)^2}$$

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Multiplication and division of complex quantities

- ***Polar form is best suited for multiplication and division of vector quantities***
- Suppose we are given two vector quantities $\mathbf{E}_1 = \mathbf{a}_1 + j\mathbf{b}_1$ and $\mathbf{E}_2 = \mathbf{a}_2 + j\mathbf{b}_2$

$$E_1 = |E_1| \angle \alpha = \sqrt{(a_1^2 + b_1^2)} \angle \tan^{-1} \frac{b_1}{a_1}$$

$$E_2 = |E_2| \angle \beta = \sqrt{(a_2^2 + b_2^2)} \angle \tan^{-1} \frac{b_2}{a_2}$$

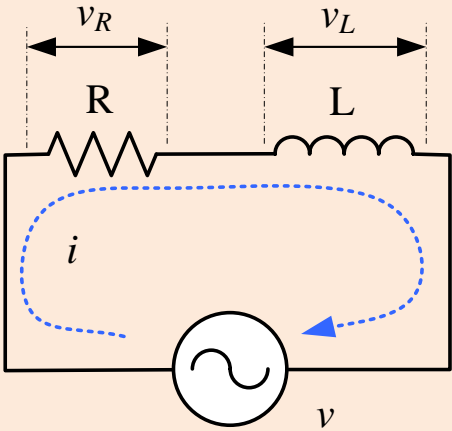
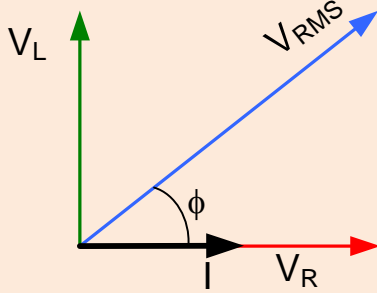
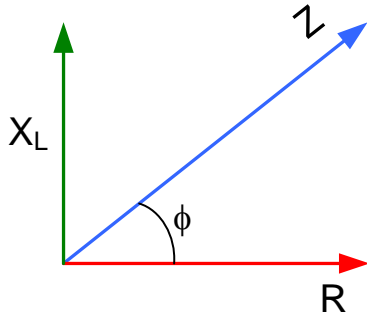
Multiplication:

$$E = |E_1| \angle \alpha \times |E_2| \angle \beta = |E_1 E_2| \angle (\alpha + \beta)$$

Division:

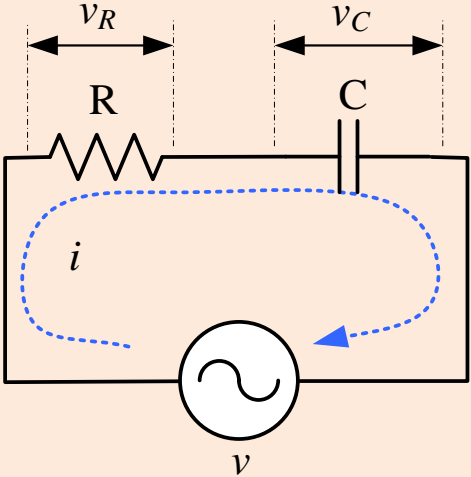
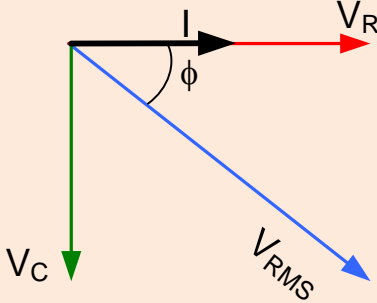
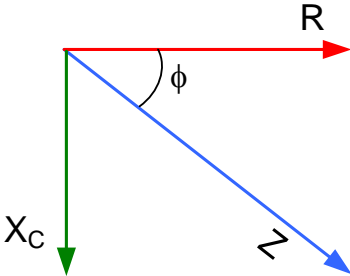
$$E = \frac{|E_1| \angle \alpha}{|E_2| \angle \beta} = \frac{|E_1|}{|E_2|} \angle (\alpha - \beta)$$

Complex representation of RL circuit

Circuit	Phasor	Rectangular form	Polar form
		$V_{RMS} = V_R + jV_L$	$ V_{RMS} = \sqrt{V_R^2 + V_L^2}$ $\phi = \angle V_{RMS} = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{V_L}{V_R}\right)$
		$Z = R + jX_L$	$ Z = \sqrt{R^2 + X_L^2}$ $\phi = \angle Z = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{X_L}{R}\right)$

Power factor angle ϕ calculated from Voltage or Impedance, both gives the same value

Complex representation of RC circuit

Circuit	Phasor	Rectangular form	Polar form
		$V_{RMS} = V_R - jV_C$	$ V_{RMS} = \sqrt{V_R^2 + V_C^2}$ $\phi = \angle V_{RMS} = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{V_C}{V_R}\right)$
		$Z = R - jX_C$	$ Z = \sqrt{R^2 + X_C^2}$ $\phi = \angle Z = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{X_C}{R}\right)$

Power factor angle ϕ calculated from Voltage or Impedance, both gives the same value

Conductance, Susceptance, and Admittance

- The reciprocal of resistance is called **conductance**
- It is represented by the symbol G $G = \frac{1}{R}$
- It is expressed in the unit 'Mho' or 'siemens' (S)
- It is convenient to use conductance when a number of resistances are connected in parallel

Conductance, Susceptance, and Admittance

- Conductance is used when a number of resistances are connected in parallel
- The equivalent of a number of resistances connected in parallel is obtained using the relation:

$$\frac{1}{R} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3} + \dots + \frac{1}{R_n}$$

- Instead, the equivalent conductance can be determined simply by:

$$G = G_1 + G_2 + G_3 + \dots + G_n$$

$$G = \frac{1}{R}, G_1 = \frac{1}{R_1}, G_2 = \frac{1}{R_2} \dots$$

Conductance, Susceptance, and Admittance

- Similarly, the reciprocal of reactance is termed as **susceptance**

- It is represented by the symbol B

$$B = \frac{1}{X}$$

- It is also expressed in the unit 'Mho' or 'siemens' (S)

Conductance, Susceptance, and Admittance

- The reciprocal of impedance is called **admittance**
- It is denoted by the symbol Y
- The unit of admittance is also 'Mho'

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

- Like impedance, the admittance is also a complex quantity $Y = a + jb$
- Real part of Y is the conductance (a)
- Imaginary part of Y is the susceptance (b)

Admittance of series RL circuit

- For a series R-L circuit, the impedance is: $Z = R + jX_L$

- Thus, admittance:

$$Y = \frac{1}{Z} = \frac{1}{R + jX_L}$$

$$Y = \frac{R - jX_L}{(R + jX_L) \times (R - jX_L)}$$

$$Y = \frac{R - jX_L}{R^2 - (jX_L)^2}$$

$$Y = \frac{R - jX_L}{R^2 + X_L^2}$$

$$Y = \frac{R - jX_L}{Z^2}$$

$$Y = \frac{R}{Z^2} - j \frac{X_L}{Z^2}$$

Admittance of series RL circuit

$$Y = \frac{R}{Z^2} - j\frac{X_L}{Z^2}$$

- The real part of Y is the conductance (G) and imaginary part is susceptance (B)
- Thus for a series R-L circuit we have: $Y = G - jB$
- Conductance $G = \frac{R}{Z^2}$
- Susceptance $B = \frac{X_L}{Z^2}$