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ELEC 300 - Linear Circuits II

LABORATORY REPORT

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1 Objective

This experiment will create a type of RC circuit called a *phase lag circuit*. The circuit's transfer function will be used to determine the component values in the circuit for pre-defined frequency responses. The magnitude and phase responses of the circuit will be examined for a range of input frequencies.

2 Introduction

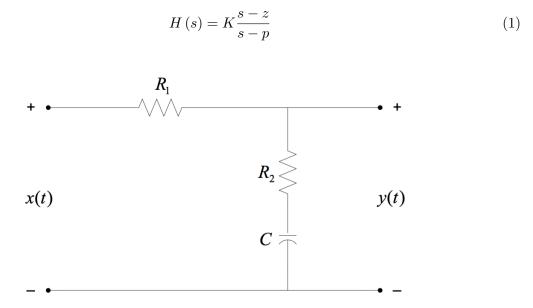


Figure 1: Schematic of a phase lag circuit

For the circuit in Fig. 1, the transfer function is:

$$H(s) = \frac{R_2 + \frac{1}{sC}}{R_1 + R_2 + \frac{1}{sC}} = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \frac{s + \frac{1}{CR_2}}{s + \frac{1}{C(R_1 + R_2)}}.$$
 (2)

Comparing (1) with (2) gives:

$$K = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$$
$$|z| = \frac{1}{CR_2}$$
$$|p| = \frac{1}{C(R_1 + R_2)}.$$

3 Results

$$|H(j\omega)|_{dB} = 20 \times \log\left(\frac{V_y}{V_x}\right)$$

$$\phi_{lag} = \phi_x - \phi_y$$

3.1 Raw Measurements

f (kHz)	V_y (V)	$ H\left(j\omega\right) _{dB}$	ϕ_{lag} (°)
0.5	0.882	-1.065	-22.6
1.0	0.708	-2.973	-38
2.0	0.46	-6.719	-50.4
3.0	0.337	-9.421	-53.4
4.0	0.267	-11.444	-53
5.0	0.224	-12.969	-51.1
6.0	0.196	-14.129	-48.4
7.0	0.178	-14.966	-45.6
8.0	0.166	-15.572	-43
9.0	0.156	-16.111	-41
10.0	0.147	-16.628	-38
11.0	0.141	-16.990	-36
12.0	0.136	-17.303	-33

Table 1: Response of Fig. 1 to frequency change $(V_x = 1 \text{ V})$

3.2 Analysis

Table 1 shows the response of the phase lag circuit to a range of frequencies, starting at 500Hz then 1kHz steps from 1kHz to 12kHz. Fig. 2 shows a visual representation of the magnitude and phase shift of the output over the range of 500Hz to 12kHz. The measured frequency response shown in Fig. 2 closely resembles the predicted, simulated response shown in Fig. 3.

The waveforms in Fig. 4, show the phase offset of the 2 waveforms, visible by the offset in vertical cursors demonstrating a time shift.

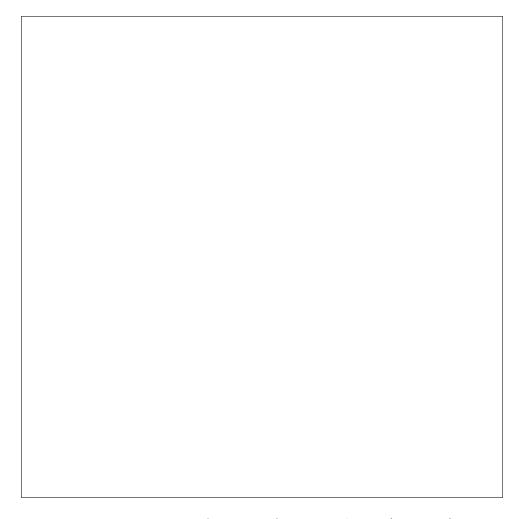


Figure 2: Response of Fig. 1 to frequency change $(V_x = 1 \,\mathrm{V})$

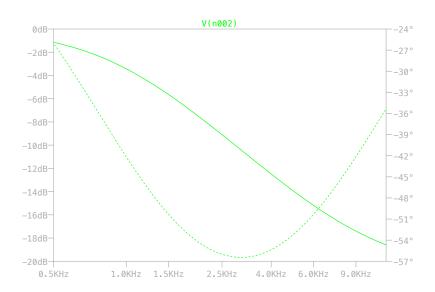


Figure 3: Simulation of Fig. 1's frequency response

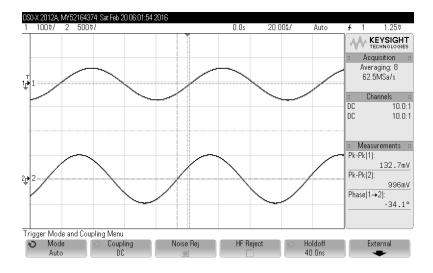


Figure 4: $V_y(t)$ (top) lags $V_x(t)$ (bottom) by 34.1° at 12 kHz

4 Discussion

5 Conclusion

Justify conclusions and results.