# Electricity and Magnetism AC Circuits RLC Series Circuits Impedance 

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## Last time

- phase offsets with inductors and capacitors
- reactance


## Overview

- RLC series circuit
- impedance
- power
- resonance


## AC in RLC Circuits

Consider the case of a series RLC circuit:


Suppose the emf source supplies:

$$
\Delta v=\Delta V_{\max } \sin (\omega t)
$$

Can we relate this to the current that results?

$$
i=I_{\max } \sin (\omega t-\phi)
$$

(Find $\phi$ and $I_{\text {max }}$.)

## AC in RLC Circuits

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## AC in RLC Circuits

To follow along with the textbook's diagrams, we will now redefine our time variable, $t \rightarrow t^{\prime}$.

Let

$$
t^{\prime}=t-\frac{\phi}{\omega}
$$

so that $\omega t-\phi=\omega t^{\prime}$.

Then the voltage and current are given by:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\Delta v & =\Delta V_{\max } \sin \left(\omega t^{\prime}+\phi\right) \\
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$$

where $\Delta V_{R}=I_{\max } R$.

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$$
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$\Delta v_{L}$ and $\Delta v_{C}$ are $\pi$ radians out of phase: easy to see how to add them:

$$
\begin{array}{r}
\Delta v_{L}=\Delta V_{L} \sin \left(\omega t^{\prime}+\pi / 2\right) \\
\Delta v_{C}=\Delta V_{C} \sin \left(\omega t^{\prime}-\pi / 2\right)
\end{array}
$$

Then,
$\Delta v_{L}+\Delta v_{C}=\left(\Delta V_{L}-\Delta V_{C}\right) \cos \omega t^{\prime}$


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However, $\Delta v_{L}+\Delta v_{C}$ and $\Delta v_{R}$ are not in phase.

They can be added using a phasor diagram.


## AC in RLC Circuits



Phasor diagram:


## AC in RLC Circuits

Can add the vectors in the phasor diagram. (Normal vector addition.)



## AC in RLC Circuits

Vector addition:

$$
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& \text { and } \\
& \qquad \Delta V_{L}-\Delta V_{C}=I_{\max }\left(X_{L}-X_{C}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

So,

$$
\Delta V_{\max }=I_{\max } \sqrt{R^{2}+X^{2}}
$$

where $X=X_{L}-X_{C}$
Notice that $\sqrt{R^{2}+X^{2}}$ has units of Ohms and a role like a resistance...

## Impedance

## Impedance, $Z$

The ratio of the maximum voltage to the maximum current.

$$
Z=\frac{\Delta V_{\max }}{I_{\max }}
$$

For a series RLC circuit (or a component with some resistance, some capacitance, and some inductance):

$$
Z=\sqrt{R^{2}+X^{2}}
$$

where the reactance $X=X_{L}-X_{C}$.

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From the phasor diagram:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \qquad \Delta V_{R}=\Delta V_{\max } \cos \phi \\
& \text { and since } \Delta V_{R}=I_{\max } R
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\frac{I_{\max } R}{\sqrt{2}}=\frac{\Delta V_{\max }}{\sqrt{2}} \cos \phi
$$

Equating the red pieces:

$$
P_{\mathrm{avg}}=I_{\mathrm{rms}}^{2} R
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Using our expression for $\phi$ :

$$
\phi=\tan ^{-1}\left(\frac{X}{R}\right)=0 \Rightarrow X=0
$$

Notice that since, $X=0$ :

$$
Z=\sqrt{R^{2}+0}=R
$$

This is the minimum possible value for $Z$.

## Resonance and Power in AC Circuits

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We can express the average power in terms of $\Delta V_{\mathrm{rms}}$ and $Z$ instead of $I_{\mathrm{rms}}$, which varies with frequency, $\omega$.

$$
P_{\mathrm{avg}}=I_{\mathrm{rms}}^{2} R=\left(\frac{\Delta V_{\mathrm{rms}}}{Z}\right)^{2} R
$$

Using $Z=\sqrt{R^{2}+\left(X_{L}-X_{C}\right)^{2}}$ and our definitions of $X_{L}, X_{C}$, and $\omega_{0}$ :

$$
P_{\mathrm{avg}}=\frac{\left(\Delta V_{\mathrm{rms}}\right)^{2} R \omega^{2}}{R^{2} \omega^{2}+L^{2}\left(\omega^{2}-\omega_{0}^{2}\right)^{2}}
$$

This is a Lorentzian function.

## Resonance and Power in AC Circuits



## Maxwell's Laws

Amazingly, we can summarize the majority of the relations that we have talked about in this course in a set of just 4 equations.

These are together called Maxwell's equations.

$$
\begin{gathered}
\oint \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathrm{d} \mathbf{A}=\frac{q_{\mathrm{enc}}}{\epsilon} \\
\oint \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathrm{~d} \mathbf{A}=0 \\
\oint \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathrm{ds}=-\frac{\mathrm{d} \Phi_{\mathrm{B}}}{\mathrm{dt}} \\
\oint \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathrm{ds}=\mu_{0} \epsilon_{0} \frac{\mathrm{~d} \Phi_{\mathrm{E}}}{\mathrm{dt}}+\mu_{0} I_{\mathrm{enc}}
\end{gathered}
$$

## Gauss's Law for Magnetic Fields

The first of Maxwell's equations is Gauss's Law for E-fields:

$$
\oint \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathrm{d} \mathbf{A}=\frac{q_{\mathrm{enc}}}{\epsilon}
$$

The second is for Gauss's Law for B-fields:

$$
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$$

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## Ampere-Maxwell Law

However, a changing electric field is not the only cause of a magnetic field.

We know from Ampere's Law:

$$
\oint \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{d} \mathbf{s}=\mu_{0} i_{\mathrm{enc}}
$$

that a moving charge (current) causes a magnetic field also.

## Reminder: Ampère's Law

$$
\mathbf{B} \cdot \mathrm{ds}=\mu_{0} I_{\mathrm{enc}}
$$

The line integral of the magnetic field around a closed loop is proportional to the current that flows through the loop. ${ }^{1}$


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## Maxwell's Law of Induction



Surfaces $S_{1}$ and $S_{2}$ have different currents flowing through them!

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Note: The displacement "current" is not a current and has nothing to do with displacement. However, it does have units of Amps.

This completes Ampere's law as:

$$
\oint \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathrm{d} \mathbf{s}=\mu_{0}\left(I_{\mathrm{enc}}+I_{d}\right)
$$

## The Ampère-Maxwell's Law

The fourth and last of Maxwell's equations:
The Ampère-Maxwell's Law

$$
\oint \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathrm{ds}=\mu_{0} \epsilon_{0} \frac{\mathrm{~d} \Phi_{\mathrm{E}}}{\mathrm{dt}}+\mu_{0} I_{\mathrm{enc}}
$$

Differential form:

$$
\nabla \times \mathbf{B}=\mu_{0} \epsilon_{0} \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t}+\mu_{0} \mathbf{J}
$$

## Summary

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## Collected Homework 4! due tomorrow.

Final Exam Tuesday, Mar 27, 9:15-11:15am, S35 (here).
Homework Serway \& Jewett:

- PREV: Ch 33, onward from page 1021. Problems: 9, 15, 19
- NEW: Ch 33, onward from page 1021. Problems: 25, 27, 33, 43, 45, 65


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ That is, the current that flows through any surface bounded by the loop.

