

STEADY STATE ANALYSIS OF A.C CIRCUITS

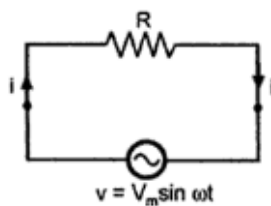
**Introduction**

The resistance, inductance and capacitance are three basic elements of any electrical network. In order to analyze any electric circuit, it is necessary to understand the following three cases,

- 1) A.C. through pure resistive circuit.
- 2) A.C. through pure inductive circuit.
- 3) A.C. through pure capacitive circuit.

In each case, it is assumed that a purely sinusoidal alternating voltage given by the equation  $v = V_m \sin (\omega t)$  is applied to the circuit. The equation for the current, power and phase shift are developed in each case.

**A.C. Through Pure Resistance**



**Fig. 4.1 Pure resistive circuit**

Consider a simple circuit consisting of a pure resistance 'R' ohms connected across a voltage  $v = V_m \sin \omega t$ . The circuit is shown in the Fig. 4.1.

According to Ohm's law, we can find the equation for the current  $i$  as,

$$i = \frac{v}{R} = \frac{V_m \sin \omega t}{R}$$

i.e. 
$$i = \left( \frac{V_m}{R} \right) \sin (\omega t)$$

This is the equation giving instantaneous value of the current.

Comparing this with standard equation,

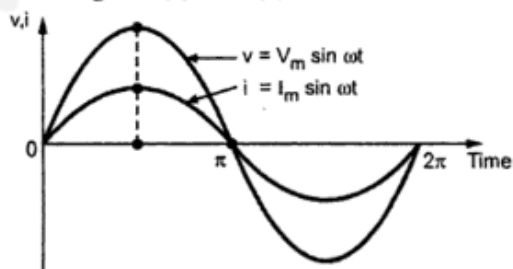
$$i = I_m \sin (\omega t + \phi)$$

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| $I_m = \frac{V_m}{R} \quad \text{and} \quad \phi = 0$ |
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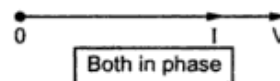
So, maximum value of alternating current,  $i$  is  $I_m = \frac{V_m}{R}$  while, as  $\phi = 0$ , it indicates that it is in phase with the voltage applied. There is no phase difference between the two. The current is going to achieve its maximum (positive and negative) and zero whenever voltage is going to achieve its maximum (positive and negative) and zero values.

*In purely resistive circuit, the current and the voltage applied are in phase with each other.*

The waveforms of voltage and current and the corresponding phasor diagram is shown in the Fig. 4.2 (a) and (b).



(a)



(b)

**Fig. 4.2 A.C. through purely resistive circuit**

In the phasor diagram, the phasors are drawn in phase and there is no phase difference in between them. Phasors represent the **r.m.s. values** of alternating quantities.

## Power

The instantaneous power in a.c. circuits can be obtained by taking product of the instantaneous values of current and voltage.

$$\begin{aligned} P &= v \times I \\ &= V_m \sin(\omega t) \times I_m \sin \omega t \\ &= V_m I_m \sin^2(\omega t) \\ &= \frac{V_m I_m}{2} (1 - \cos 2\omega t) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore P = \frac{V_m I_m}{2} - \frac{V_m I_m}{2} \cos(2\omega t)$$

From the above equation, it is clear that the instantaneous power consists of two components,

- 1) Constant power component  $\left(\frac{V_m I_m}{2}\right)$
- 2) Fluctuating component  $\left[\frac{V_m I_m}{2} \cos(2\omega t)\right]$  having frequency, double the frequency of the applied voltage.

Now, the average value of the fluctuating cosine component of double frequency is zero, over one complete cycle. So, average power consumption over one cycle is equal to the constant power component i.e.  $\frac{V_m I_m}{2}$ .

$$\therefore P_{av} = \frac{V_m I_m}{2} = \frac{V_m}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{I_m}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\therefore P_{av} = V_{rms} \times I_{rms} \quad \text{watts}$$

Generally, r.m.s. values are indicated by capital letters

$$\therefore P_{av} = V \times I \quad \text{watts} = I^2 R \quad \text{watts}$$

The Fig. 4.3 shows the waveforms of voltage, current and power.

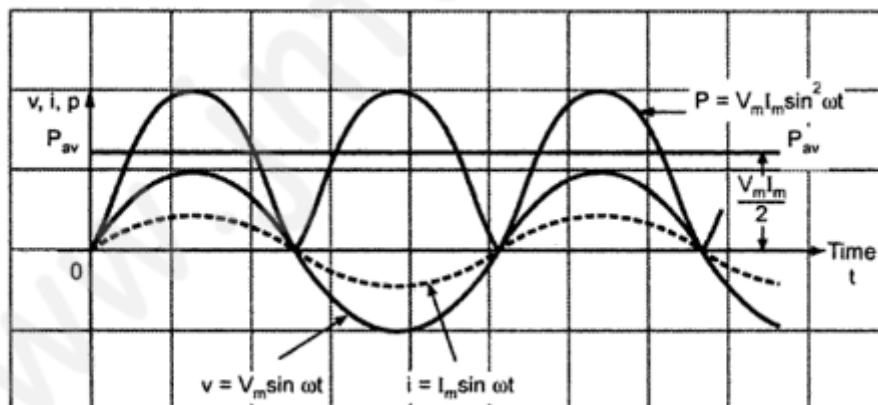


Fig. 4.3  $v$ ,  $i$  and  $p$  for purely resistive circuit

## A.C. Through Pure Inductance

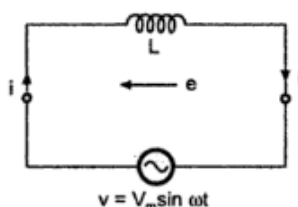


Fig. 4.4 Purely inductive circuit

Consider a simple circuit consisting of a pure inductance of  $L$  henries, connected across a voltage given by the equation,  $v = V_m \sin \omega t$ . The circuit is shown in the Fig. 4.4.

Pure inductance has zero ohmic resistance. Its internal resistance is zero. The coil has pure inductance of  $L$  henries (H).

When alternating current 'i' flows through inductance 'L', it sets up an alternating magnetic field around the inductance. This changing flux links the coil and due to self inductance, e.m.f. gets induced in the coil. This e.m.f. opposes the applied voltage.

The self induced e.m.f. in the coil is given by,

$$\text{Self induced e.m.f., } e = -L \frac{di}{dt}$$

At all instants, applied voltage, v is equal and opposite to the self induced e.m.f., e

$$\therefore v = -e = -\left(-L \frac{di}{dt}\right)$$

$$\therefore v = L \frac{di}{dt}$$

$$\therefore V_m \sin \omega t = L \frac{di}{dt}$$

$$\therefore di = \frac{V_m}{L} \sin \omega t dt$$

$$\therefore i = \int di = \int \frac{V_m}{L} \sin \omega t dt = \frac{V_m}{L} \left( \frac{-\cos \omega t}{\omega} \right)$$

$$= -\frac{V_m}{\omega L} \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} - \omega t \right) \text{ as } \cos \omega t = \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} - \omega t \right)$$

$$\therefore i = \frac{V_m}{\omega L} \sin \left( \omega t - \frac{\pi}{2} \right) \text{ as } \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} - \omega t \right) = -\sin \left( \omega t - \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$$

$$\therefore \boxed{i = I_m \sin \left( \omega t - \frac{\pi}{2} \right)}$$

where  $I_m = \frac{V_m}{\omega L} = \frac{V_m}{X_L}$

where  $\boxed{X_L = \omega L = 2\pi f L \Omega}$

The above equation clearly shows that the current is purely sinusoidal and having phase angle of  $-\frac{\pi}{2}$  radians i.e.  $-90^\circ$ . This means that the current lags voltage applied by  $90^\circ$ . The negative sign indicates lagging nature of the current. If current is assumed as a reference, we can say that the voltage across inductance leads the current passing through the inductance by  $90^\circ$ .

The Fig. 4.5 shows the waveforms and the corresponding phasor diagram

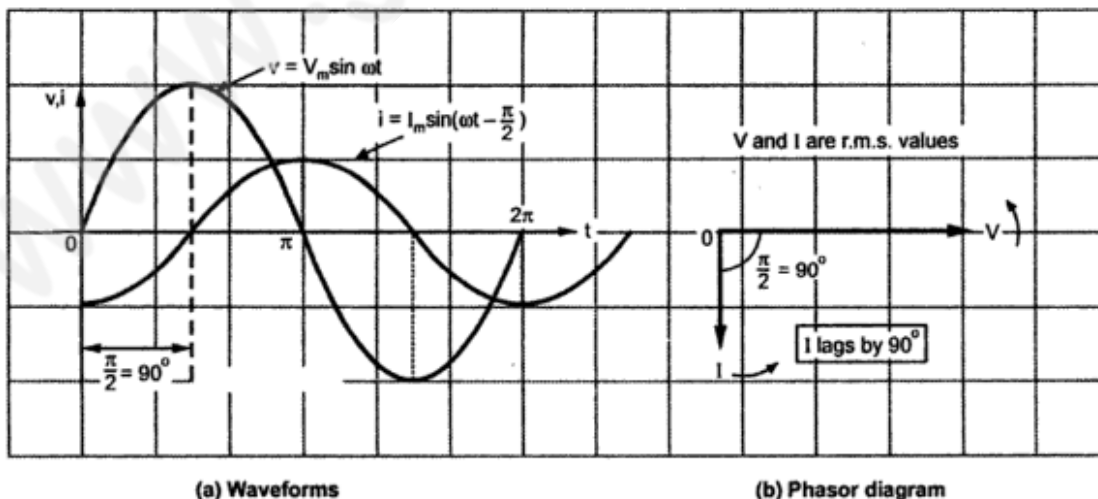


Fig. 4.5 A.C. through purely inductive circuit

In purely inductive circuit, current lags voltage by  $90^\circ$ .

## Concept of Inductive Reactance

We have seen that in purely inductive circuit,

$$I_m = \frac{V_m}{X_L}$$

where

$$X_L = \omega L = 2\pi f L \Omega$$

The term,  $X_L$ , is called **Inductive Reactance** and is measured in ohms.

So, **inductive reactance** is defined as the opposition offered by the inductance of a circuit to the flow of an alternating sinusoidal current.

It is measured in ohms and it depends on the frequency of the applied voltage.

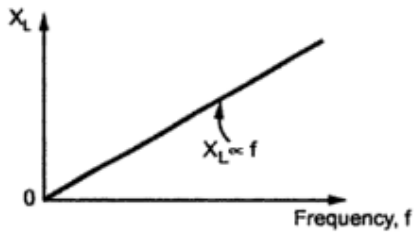


Fig. 4.6  $X_L$  Vs  $f$

The inductive reactance is directly proportional to the frequency for constant  $L$ .

$$X_L \propto f, \text{ for constant } L$$

So, graph of  $X_L$  Vs  $f$  is a straight line passing through the origin as shown in the Fig. 4.6.

**Key Point :** If frequency is zero, which is so for d.c. voltage, the inductive reactance is zero. Therefore, it is said that the inductance offers zero reactance for the d.c. or steady current.

The expression for the instantaneous power can be obtained by taking the product of **Power** instantaneous voltage and current.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore P &= v \times i \\ &= V_m \sin \omega t \times I_m \sin \left( \omega t - \frac{\pi}{2} \right) \\ &= -V_m I_m \sin(\omega t) \cos(\omega t) \text{ as } \sin \left( \omega t - \frac{\pi}{2} \right) = -\cos \omega t \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore P = -\frac{V_m I_m}{2} \sin(2\omega t) \text{ as } 2 \sin \omega t \cos \omega t = \sin 2\omega t$$

This power curve is a sine curve of frequency double than that of applied voltage.

The average value of sine curve over a complete cycle is always zero.

$$P_{av} = \int_0^{2\pi} -\frac{V_m I_m}{2} \sin(2\omega t) d(\omega t) = 0$$

The Fig. 4.7 shows voltage, current and power waveforms.

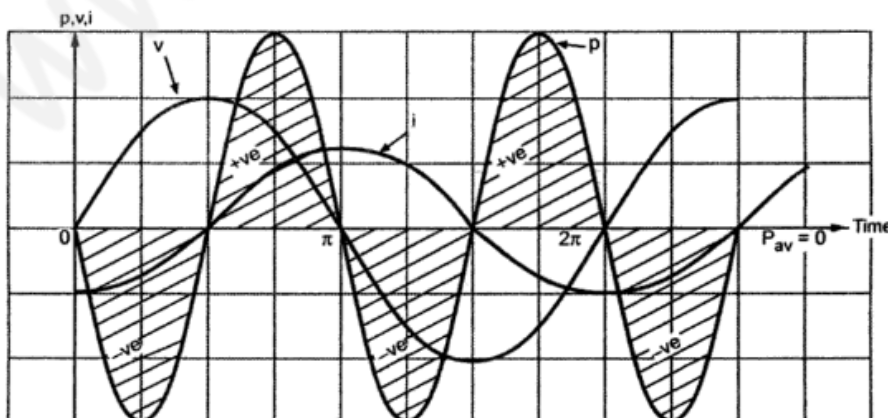


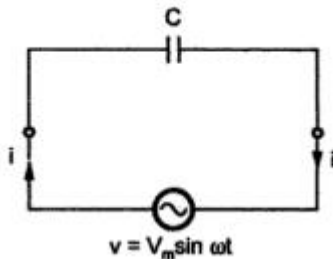
Fig. 4.7 Waveforms of voltage, current and power

when power curve is positive, energy gets stored in the magnetic field established due to the increasing current while during negative power curve, this power is returned back to the supply.

The areas of positive loop and negative loop are exactly same and hence, average power consumption is zero.

*Pure inductance never consumes power.*

## A.C. Through Pure Capacitance



Consider a simple circuit consisting of a pure capacitor of C-farads, connected across a voltage given by the equation,  $v = V_m \sin \omega t$ . The circuit is shown in the Fig. 4.8.

The current  $i$  charges the capacitor C. The instantaneous charge 'q' on the plates of the capacitor is given by,

**Fig. 4.8 Purely capacitive circuit**

Now, current is rate of flow of charge.

$$\therefore i = \frac{dq}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} (C V_m \sin \omega t)$$

$$\therefore i = C V_m \frac{d}{dt} (\sin \omega t) = C V_m \omega \cos \omega t$$

$$\therefore i = \frac{V_m}{\left(\frac{1}{\omega C}\right)} \sin \left(\omega t + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

$$\therefore i = I_m \sin \left(\omega t + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

where

$$I_m = \frac{V_m}{X_C}$$

where

$$X_C = \frac{1}{\omega C} = \frac{1}{2\pi f C} \quad \Omega$$

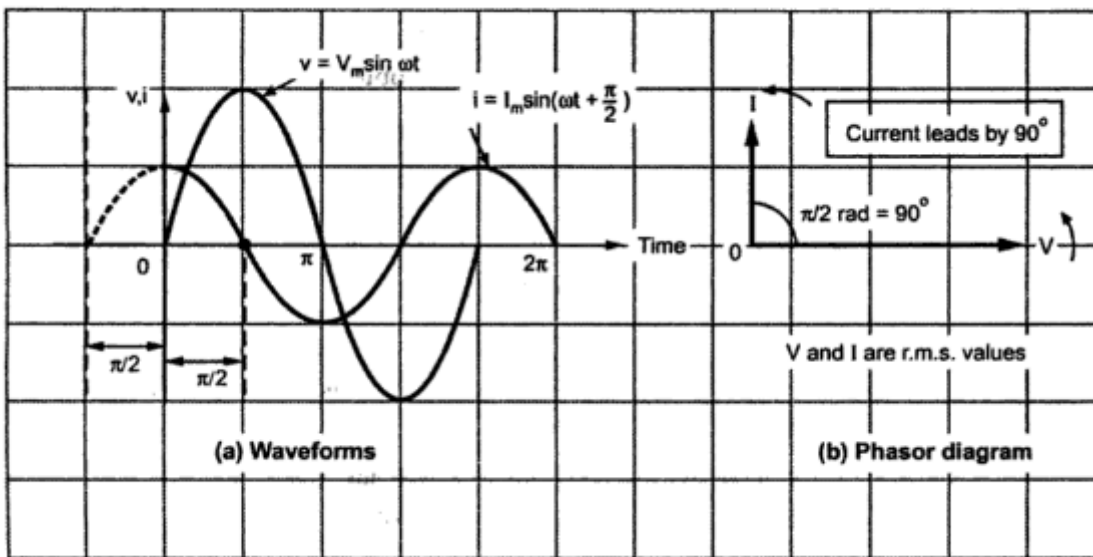
$$q = C v$$

$$\therefore q = C V_m \sin \omega t$$

The above equation clearly shows that the current is purely sinusoidal and having phase angle of  $+\frac{\pi}{2}$  radians i.e.  $+90^\circ$ .

This means **current leads voltage applied by  $90^\circ$** . The positive sign indicates leading nature of the current. If current is assumed reference, we can say that voltage across capacitor lags the current passing through the capacitor by  $90^\circ$ .

The Fig. 4.9 shows waveforms of voltage and current and the corresponding phasor diagram. The current waveform starts earlier by  $90^\circ$  in comparison with voltage waveform. When voltage is zero, the current has positive maximum value.



In purely capacitive circuit, current leads voltage by  $90^\circ$ .

### Concept of Capacitive Reactance

We have seen while expressing current equation in the standard form that,

$$I_m = \frac{V_m}{X_C}$$

and

$$X_C = \frac{1}{\omega C} = \frac{1}{2\pi f C} \Omega$$

The term  $X_C$  is called **Capacitive Reactance** and is measured in ohms.

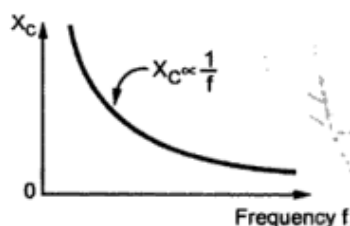


Fig. 4.10  $X_C$  Vs  $f$

So, capacitive reactance is defined as the opposition offered by the capacitance of a circuit to the flow of an alternating sinusoidal current.

$X_C$  is measured in ohms and it depends on the frequency of the applied voltage.

The capacitive reactance is inversely proportional to the frequency for constant  $C$ .

$$X_C \propto \frac{1}{f} \quad \text{for constant } C$$

The graph of  $X_C$  Vs  $f$  is a rectangular hyperbola as shown in Fig. 4.10.

**Key Point :** If the frequency is zero, which is so for d.c. voltage, the capacitive reactance is infinite. Therefore, it is said that the capacitance offers open circuit to the d.c. or it blocks d.c.

### Power

The expression for the instantaneous power can be obtained by taking the product of instantaneous voltage and current.

$$P = v \times i = V_m \sin(\omega t) \times I_m \sin\left(\omega t + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

$$= V_m I_m \sin(\omega t) \cos(\omega t) \quad \text{as } \sin\left(\omega t + \frac{\pi}{2}\right) = \cos \omega t$$

$$\therefore P = \frac{V_m I_m}{2} \sin(2\omega t) \quad \text{as } 2 \sin \omega t \cos \omega t = \sin 2\omega t$$

Thus, power curve is a sine wave of frequency double that of applied voltage. The average value of sine curve over a complete cycle is always zero.

$$P_{av} = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{V_m I_m}{2} \sin(2\omega t) d(\omega t) = 0$$

The Fig. 4.11 shows waveforms of current, voltage and power. It can be observed from the figure that when power curve is positive, in practice, an electrostatic energy gets stored in the capacitor during its charging while the negative power curve represents that the energy stored is returned back to the supply during its discharging. The areas of positive and negative loops are exactly the same and hence, average power consumption is zero.

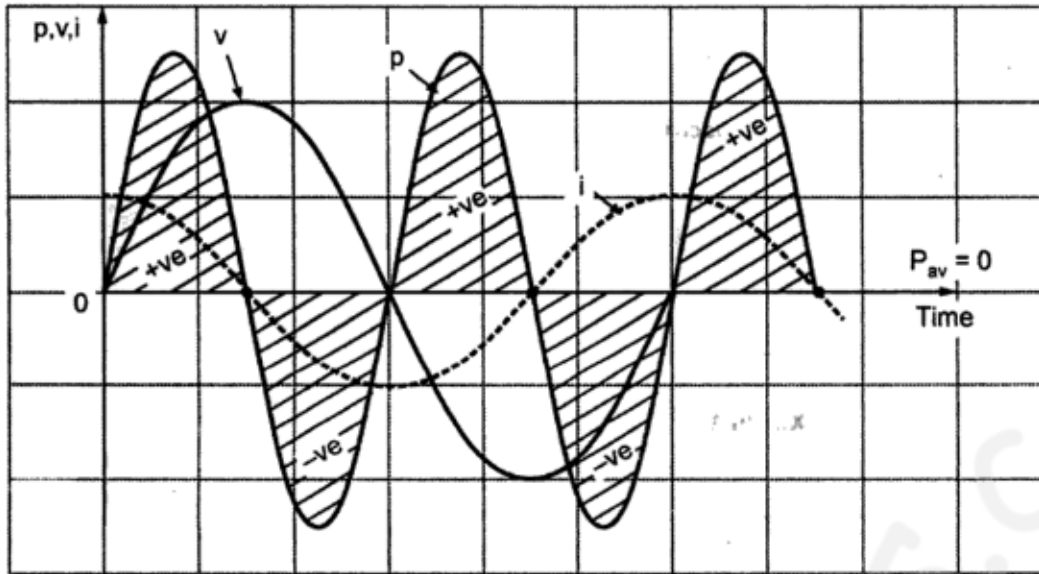


Fig. 4.11 Waveforms of voltage, current and power

Pure capacitance never consumes power.

► **Example 4.1 :** A 50 Hz, alternating voltage of 150 V (r.m.s.) is applied independently to  
 (1) Resistance of  $10 \Omega$  (2) Inductance of  $0.2 \text{ H}$  (3) Capacitance of  $50 \mu\text{F}$

Find the expression for the instantaneous current in each case. Draw the phasor diagram in each case.

**Solution :** Case 1 :  $R = 10 \Omega$

$$v = V_m \sin \omega t$$

$$V_m = \sqrt{2} V_{\text{rms}}$$

$$= \sqrt{2} \times 150 = 212.13 \text{ V}$$

$$I_m = \frac{V_m}{R} = \frac{212.13}{10}$$

$$= 21.213 \text{ A}$$

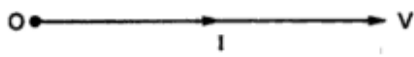
In pure resistive circuit, current is in phase with the voltage.

$$\therefore \phi = \text{Phase Difference} = 0^\circ$$

$$\therefore i = I_m \sin \omega t$$

$$= I_m \sin (2 \pi f t)$$

$$\therefore i = 21.213 \sin (100 \pi t) \text{ A}$$



The phasor diagram is shown in the Fig. 4.12 (a).

Fig. 4.12 (a)

Case 2 :  $L = 0.2 \Omega$

Inductive reactance,  $X_L = \omega L = 2 \pi f L$

$$\therefore X_L = 2 \pi \times 50 \times 0.2 = 62.83 \Omega$$

$$\therefore I_m = \frac{V_m}{X_L} = \frac{212.13}{62.83} = 3.37 \text{ A}$$

In pure inductive circuit, current lags voltage by  $90^\circ$ .

$$\therefore \phi = \text{Phase difference} = -90^\circ = -\frac{\pi}{2} \text{ rad}$$

$$\therefore i = I_m \sin(\omega t - \phi)$$

$$\therefore i = 3.37 \sin\left(100\pi t - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \text{ A}$$

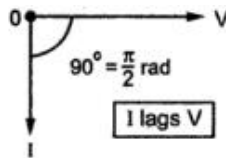


Fig. 4.12 (b)

The phasor diagram is shown in the Fig. 4.12 (b).

Case 3 :  $C = 50 \mu\text{F}$

Capacitive reactance,  $X_C = \frac{1}{\omega C} = \frac{1}{2 \pi f C}$

$$\therefore X_C = \frac{1}{2 \pi \times 50 \times 50 \times 10^{-6}} = 63.66 \Omega$$

$$\therefore I_m = \frac{V_m}{X_C} = \frac{212.13}{63.66} = 3.33 \text{ A}$$

In pure capacitive circuit, current leads voltage by  $90^\circ$ .

$$\therefore \phi = \text{Phase Difference} = 90^\circ = \frac{\pi}{2} \text{ rad}$$

$$\therefore i = I_m \sin(\omega t + \phi)$$

$$\therefore i = 3.33 \sin\left(100\pi t + \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \text{ A}$$

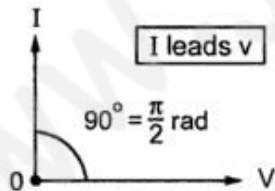


Fig. 4.12 (c)

The phasor diagram is shown in the Fig. 4.12 (c).

All the phasor diagrams represent r.m.s. values of voltage and current.



►►► **Example 4.2 :** A voltage  $v = 141 \sin \{314t + \pi / 3\}$  is applied to  
 i) resistor of 20 ohms ii) inductance of 0.1 Henry iii) capacitance of 100  $\mu\text{F}$

Find in each case r.m.s. value of current and power dissipated.

Draw the phasor diagram in each case.

**Solution :** Comparing given voltage with  $v = V_m \sin (\omega t + \theta)$  we get,

$$V_m = 141 \text{ V and hence } V = V_{\text{rms}} = \frac{V_m}{\sqrt{2}} = 99.702 \text{ V}$$

$$\omega = 314 \text{ and hence } f = \frac{\omega}{2\pi} = 50 \text{ Hz, } \theta = \frac{\pi}{3} = 60^\circ$$

Hence the polar form of applied voltage becomes,

$$V = 99.702 \angle 60^\circ \text{ V}$$

**Case 1 :**  $R = 20 \Omega$

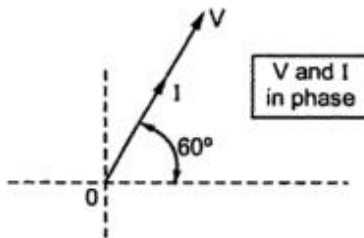


Fig. 4.13 (a)

$$I = \frac{V}{R} = \frac{99.702 \angle 60^\circ}{20 \angle 0^\circ} = 4.9851 \angle 60^\circ \text{ A}$$

$$\therefore I_{\text{rms}} = 4.9851 \text{ A}$$

The phase of both V and I is same for pure resistive circuit. Both are in phase.

$$P = VI = 99.702 \times 4.9851 = 497.0244 \text{ W}$$

The phasor diagram is shown in the Fig. 4.13 (a).

**Case 2 :**  $L = 0.1 \text{ H}$

$$\therefore X_L = \omega L = 314 \times 0.1 = 31.4 \Omega$$

$$\therefore I = \frac{|V|}{X_L} = \frac{99.702}{31.4} = 3.1752 \text{ A}$$

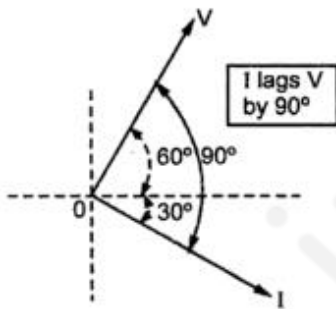


Fig. 4.13 (b)

This is r.m.s. value of current. It has to lag the applied voltage by  $90^\circ$  in case of pure inductor.

Hence phasor diagram is shown in the Fig. 4.13 (b).

The individual phase of I is  $-30^\circ$ .

In polar form I can be represented as  $3.1752 \angle -30^\circ \text{ A}$ .

Pure inductor never consumes power so **power dissipated is zero.**

**Case 3 :**  $C = 100 \mu\text{F}$

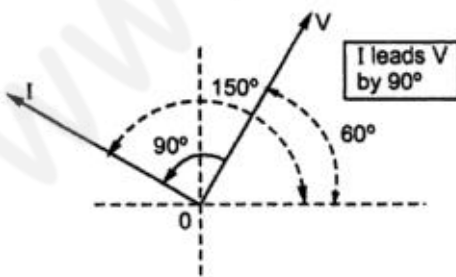


Fig. 4.13 (c)

$$\therefore X_C = \frac{1}{\omega C} = \frac{1}{314 \times 100 \times 10^{-6}} = 31.8471 \Omega$$

$$\therefore I = \frac{|V|}{X_C} = \frac{99.702}{31.8471} = 3.1306 \text{ A}$$

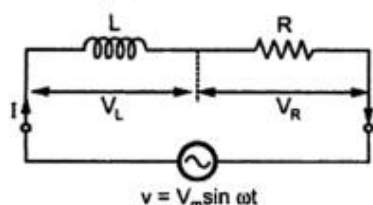
This is r.m.s. value of current.

It has to lead the applied voltage by  $90^\circ$  in case of pure capacitor.

Hence phasor diagram is shown in the Fig. 4.13 (c).

The individual phase of I is  $150^\circ$ . In polar form I can be represented as  $3.1306 \angle +150^\circ \text{ A}$ . Pure capacitor never consumes power and hence **power dissipated is zero.**

## A.C. Through Series R-L Circuit



Consider a circuit consisting of pure resistance  $R$  ohms connected in series with a pure inductance of  $L$  henries as shown in the Fig. 4.14 (a).

The series combination is connected across a.c. supply given by  $v = V_m \sin \omega t$ .

Circuit draws a current  $I$  then there are two voltage drops,

**Fig. 4.14 (a) Series R-L circuit**

- Drop across pure resistance,  $V_R = I \times R$
- Drop across pure inductance,  $V_L = I \times X_L$  where  $X_L = 2 \pi f L$   
 $I =$  r.m.s. value of current drawn  
 $V_R, V_L =$  r.m.s. values of the voltage drops.

The Kirchhoff's voltage law can be applied to the a.c. circuit but only the point to remember is the addition of voltages should be a phasor (vector) addition and no longer algebraic as in case of d.c.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \quad \bar{V} &= \bar{V}_R + \bar{V}_L && \text{(phasor addition)} \\ \therefore \quad \bar{V} &= \bar{I}R + \bar{I}X_L \end{aligned}$$

Let us draw the phasor diagram for the above case.

**Key Point :** For series a.c. circuits, generally, current is taken as the reference phasor as it is common to both the elements.

Following are the steps to draw the phasor diagram :

- Take current as a reference phasor.
- In case of resistance, voltage and current are in phase, so  $V_R$  will be along current phasor.
- In case of inductance, current lags voltage by  $90^\circ$ . But, as current is reference,  $V_L$  must be shown leading with respect to current by  $90^\circ$ .
- The supply voltage being vector sum of these two vectors  $V_L$  and  $V_R$  obtained by law of parallelogram.

From the voltage triangle, we can write,

$$\begin{aligned} V &= \sqrt{(V_R)^2 + (V_L)^2} = \sqrt{(IR)^2 + (IX_L)^2} \\ &= I \sqrt{(R)^2 + (X_L)^2} \end{aligned}$$

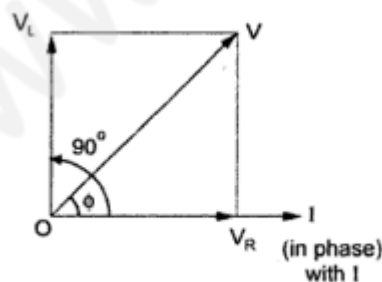
$$\therefore \quad V = I Z$$

where

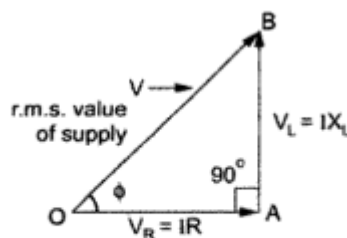
$$Z = \sqrt{(R)^2 + (X_L)^2}$$

... Impedance of the circuit.

The impedance  $Z$  is measured in ohms.



**Fig. 4.14 (b) Phasor diagram**



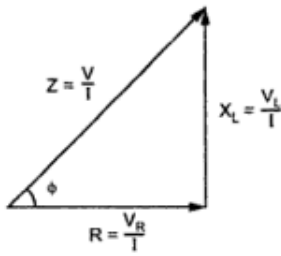
**Fig. 4.14 (c) Voltage triangle**

## Impedance

**Impedance** is defined as the opposition of circuit to flow of alternating current. It is denoted by  $Z$  and its unit is ohms.

For the R-L series circuit, it can be observed from the phasor diagram that the current lags behind the applied voltage by an angle  $\phi$ . From the voltage triangle, we can write,

$$\tan \phi = \frac{V_L}{V_R} = \frac{X_L}{R}, \quad \cos \phi = \frac{V_R}{V} = \frac{R}{Z}, \quad \sin \phi = \frac{V_L}{V} = \frac{X_L}{Z}$$



**Fig. 4.15 Impedance triangle**

$$R = Z \cos \phi$$

and Y component of impedance is  $X_L$  and is given by,

$$X_L = Z \sin \phi$$

If all the sides of the voltage triangle are divided by current, we get a triangle called **impedance triangle** as shown in the Fig. 4.15.

Sides of this triangle are resistance  $R$ , inductive reactance  $X_L$  and an impedance  $Z$ .

From this impedance triangle, we can see that the X component of impedance is  $R$  and is given by,

In rectangular form the impedance is denoted as,

$$Z = R + j X_L \quad \Omega$$

While in polar form, it is denoted as,

$$Z = |Z| \angle \phi \quad \Omega$$

where

$$|Z| = \sqrt{R^2 + X_L^2}, \quad \phi = \tan^{-1} \left[ \frac{X_L}{R} \right]$$

**Key Point:** Thus  $\phi$  is +ve for inductive impedance.

## Power and Power Triangle

The expression for the current in the series R-L circuit is,

$$i = I_m \sin (\omega t - \phi) \text{ as current lags voltage.}$$

The power is product of instantaneous values of voltage and current,

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore P &= v \times i = V_m \sin \omega t \times I_m \sin (\omega t - \phi) \\ &= V_m I_m [ \sin (\omega t) \cdot \sin (\omega t - \phi) ] \\ &= V_m I_m \left[ \frac{\cos (\phi) - \cos (2 \omega t - \phi)}{2} \right] \\ &= \frac{V_m I_m}{2} \cos \phi - \frac{V_m I_m}{2} \cos (2 \omega t - \phi) \end{aligned}$$

Now, the second term is cosine term whose average value over a cycle is zero. Hence, average power consumed is,

$$P_{av} = \frac{V_m I_m}{2} \cos \phi = \frac{V_m}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{I_m}{\sqrt{2}} \cos \phi$$

$\therefore$

$$P = V I \cos \phi \text{ watts}$$

where  $V$  and  $I$  are r.m.s. values

If we multiply voltage equation by current  $I$ , we get the power equation.

$$\overline{VI} = \overline{V_R I} + \overline{V_L I}$$

$\therefore$

$$\overline{VI} = \overline{V \cos \phi I} + \overline{V \sin \phi I}$$

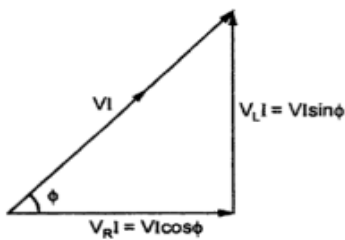


Fig. 4.16 Power triangle

From this equation, power triangle can be obtained as shown in the Fig. 4.16.

So, three sides of this triangle are,

- 1)  $VI$ , 2)  $VI \cos \phi$ , 3)  $VI \sin \phi$

These three terms can be defined as below.

### Apparent Power (S)

It is defined as the product of r.m.s. value of voltage (V) and current (I). It is denoted by S.

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$$S = VI \quad \text{VA}$$

It is measured in unit volt-amp (VA) or kilo volt-amp (kVA).

### Real or True Power (P)

It is defined as the product of the applied voltage and the active component of the current.

It is real component of the apparent power. It is measured in unit watts (W) or kilowatts (kW).

$$P = VI \cos \phi \quad \text{watts}$$

### Reactive Power (Q)

It is defined as product of the applied voltage and the reactive component of the current.

It is also defined as imaginary component of the apparent power. It is represented by 'Q' and it is measured in unit Volt-Amp Reactive (VAR) or kilo volt-Amp Reactive kVAR

$$Q = VI \sin \phi \quad \text{VAR}$$

Apparent power,  $S = VI \quad \text{VA}$

True power  $P = VI \cos \phi \quad \text{W (Average Power)}$

Reactive power  $Q = VI \sin \phi \quad \text{VAR}$

### Power Factor ( $\cos \phi$ )

It is defined as factor by which the apparent power must be multiplied in order to obtain the true power.

It is the ratio of true power to apparent power.

$$\text{Power factor} = \frac{\text{True Power}}{\text{Apparent Power}} = \frac{VI \cos \phi}{VI} = \cos \phi$$

The numerical value of cosine of the phase angle between the applied voltage and the current drawn from the supply voltage gives the power factor. It cannot be greater than 1.

It is also defined as the ratio of resistance to the impedance.

$$\cos \phi = \frac{R}{Z}$$

**Key Point :** The nature of power factor is always determined by position of current with respect to the voltage.

If current lags voltage power factor is said to be lagging. If current leads voltage power factor is said to be leading.

So, for pure inductance, the power factor is  $\cos (90^\circ)$  i.e. zero lagging while for pure capacitance, the power factor is  $\cos (90^\circ)$  i.e. zero but leading. For purely resistive circuit voltage and current are in phase i.e.  $\phi = 0$ . Therefore, power factor is  $\cos (0^\circ) = 1$ . Such circuit is called unity power factor circuit.

$$\text{Power factor} = \cos \phi$$

$\phi$  is the angle between supply voltage and current.

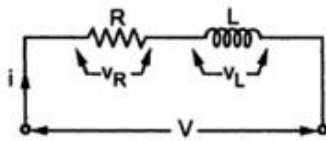
**Key Point :** Nature of power factor always tells position of current with respect to voltage.

►► **Example 4.3 :** An alternating current,  $i = 1.414 \sin (2 \pi \times 50 \times t)$  A, is passed through a series circuit consisting of a resistance of 100 ohm and an inductance of 0.31831 henry. Find the expressions for the instantaneous values of the voltages across (i) the resistance, (ii) the inductance and (iii) the combination.

**Solution :** The circuit is shown in the Fig. 4.17.

$$i = 1.414 \sin (2 \pi \times 50 t) \text{ A}$$

$$\therefore \omega = 2 \pi \times 50 = 2 \pi f$$



$$\therefore f = 50 \text{ Hz}, \quad R = 100 \Omega, \quad L = 0.31831 \text{ H}$$

$$\therefore X_L = 2 \pi f L$$

Fig. 4.17

$$= 2 \pi \times 50 \times 0.31831 = 100 \Omega$$

i) The voltage across the resistance is,

$$\begin{aligned} v_R &= i R = 1.414 \sin (2 \pi \times 50 t) \times 100 \\ &= 141.4 \sin (2 \pi \times 50 t) \text{ V} \end{aligned}$$

ii) The voltage across L leads current by  $90^\circ$  as current lags by  $90^\circ$  with respect to voltage.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore v_L &= i X_L \text{ but leading current by } 90^\circ \\ &= 141.4 \sin (2 \pi \times 50 t + 90^\circ) \text{ V} \end{aligned}$$

iii) From the expression of  $V_R$  we can write,

$$\text{r.m.s. value of } V_R = \frac{141.4}{\sqrt{2}} = 100 \text{ V}, \quad \phi = 0^\circ$$

$$\therefore V_R = 100 \angle 0^\circ = 100 + j0 \text{ V}$$

$$\text{r.m.s. value of } V_L = \frac{141.4}{\sqrt{2}} = 100 \text{ V}, \quad \phi = 90^\circ$$

$$\therefore V_L = 100 \angle 90^\circ = 0 + j100 \text{ V}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore V &= \bar{V}_R + \bar{V}_L = 100 + j0 + 0 + j100 \\ &= 100 + j100 = 141.42 \angle 45^\circ \text{ V} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore V_m = \sqrt{2} \times 141.42 = 200 \text{ V}$$

Hence expression of instantaneous value of resultant voltage is,

$$v = 200 \sin (2 \pi \times 50 t + 45^\circ) \text{ V}$$

►► **Example. 4.4 :** A voltage  $e = 200 \sin 100 \pi t$  is applied to a load having  $R = 200 \Omega$  in series with  $L = 638 \text{ mH}$ .

Estimate :-

i) expression for current in  $i = I_m \sin (\omega t \pm \phi)$  form ii) power consumed by the load iii) reactive power of the load iv) voltage across R and L.

**Solution :** The circuit is shown in the Fig. 4.18.

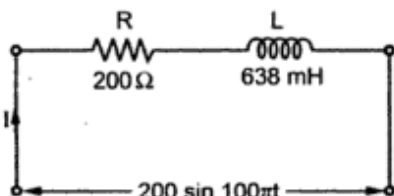


Fig. 4.18

$$e_m = 200 \text{ V} \quad \therefore V = \frac{200}{\sqrt{2}} = 141.421 \text{ V (r.m.s.)}$$

$$\omega = 100 \pi \quad \therefore f = 50 \text{ Hz}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore X_L &= \omega L = 100 \pi \times 638 \times 10^{-3} \\ &= 200.433 \Omega \end{aligned}$$

$$Z = R + j X_L = 200 + j 200.433 \Omega$$

$$= 283.149 \angle 45.06^\circ \Omega$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore I &= \frac{V}{Z} = \frac{141.421 \angle 0^\circ}{283.149 \angle 45.06^\circ} \\ &= 0.5 \angle -45.06^\circ \text{ A,} \quad \text{current lags voltage by } 45.06^\circ. \\ \therefore I_m &= \sqrt{2} \times 0.5 = 0.7071 \text{ A, } \phi = -45.06^\circ \\ \text{i) } i &= I_m \sin(\omega t - \phi) \\ &= 0.7071 \sin(100 \pi t - 45.06^\circ) \text{ A} \\ \text{ii) } P &= VI \cos \phi = 141.421 \times 0.5 \times \cos(45.06^\circ) \\ &= 49.9474 \approx 50 \text{ W} \\ \text{iii) } Q &= VI \sin \phi = 141.421 \times 0.5 \times \sin(45.06^\circ) \\ &= 50 \text{ VAR} \\ \text{iv) } V_R &= IR = 0.5 \times 200 = 100 \text{ V} \\ V_L &= I X_L = 0.5 \times 200.433 = 100.21 \text{ V} \end{aligned}$$

### A.C. Through Series R-C Circuit

Consider a circuit consisting of pure resistance R-ohms and connected in series with a pure capacitor of C-farads as shown in the Fig. 4.19.

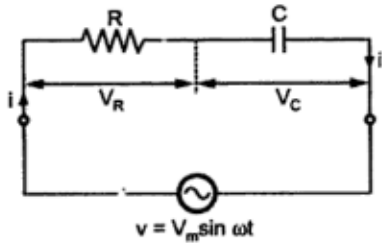


Fig. 4.19 Series R-C circuit

The series combination is connected across a.c. supply given by

$$v = V_m \sin \omega t$$

Circuit draws a current I, then there are two voltage drops,

- a) Drop across pure resistance  $V_R = I \times R$
- b) Drop across pure capacitance  $V_C = I \times X_C$

where  $X_C = \frac{1}{2\pi f C}$  and I,  $V_R$ ,  $V_C$  are the r.m.s. values

The Kirchhoff's voltage law can be applied to get,

$$V = \overline{V_R} + \overline{V_C} \quad \dots \text{ (Phasor Addition)}$$

$$\therefore \overline{V} = \overline{IR} + \overline{IX_C}$$

Let us draw the phasor diagram. Current I is taken as reference as it is common to both the elements.

Following are the steps to draw the phasor diagram :-

- 1) Take current as reference phasor.
- 2) In case of resistance, voltage and current are in phase. So,  $V_R$  will be along current phasor.
- 3) In case of pure capacitance, current leads voltage by  $90^\circ$  i.e. voltage lags current by  $90^\circ$  so  $V_C$  is shown downwards i.e. lagging current by  $90^\circ$ .
- 4) The supply voltage being vector sum of these two voltages  $V_C$  and  $V_R$  obtained by completing parallelogram.

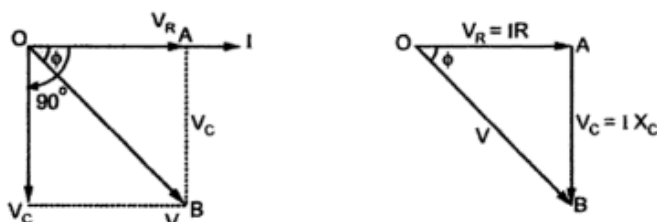


Fig. 4.20 Phasor diagram and voltage triangle

From the voltage triangles,

$$V = \sqrt{(V_R)^2 + (V_C)^2} = \sqrt{(IR)^2 + (IX_C)^2}$$

$$= I \sqrt{(R)^2 + (X_C)^2}$$

$$\therefore V = I Z$$

where

$$Z = \sqrt{(R)^2 + (X_C)^2} \text{ is the impedance of the circuit.}$$

**Impedance**

It is measured in ohms given by  $Z = \sqrt{(R)^2 + (X_C)^2}$  where  $X_C = \frac{1}{2\pi f C}$   $\Omega$  called **capacitive reactance**.

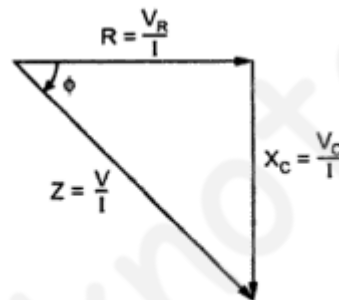
In R-C series **circuit**, current leads voltage by angle  $\phi$  or supply voltage V lags current I by angle  $\phi$  as shown in the phasor diagram in Fig. 4.21.

From voltage triangle, we can write,

$$\tan \phi = \frac{V_C}{V_R} = \frac{X_C}{R}, \quad \cos \phi = \frac{V_R}{V} = \frac{R}{Z}, \quad \sin \phi = \frac{V_C}{V} = \frac{X_C}{Z}$$

If all the sides of the voltage triangle are divided by the current, we get a triangle called **impedance triangle**.

Two sides of the triangle are 'R' and 'X<sub>C</sub>' and the third side is impedance 'Z'.



**Fig. 4.21 Impedance triangle**

The X component of impedance is R and is given by

$$R = Z \cos \phi$$

and Y component of impedance is X<sub>C</sub> and is given by

$$X_C = Z \sin \phi$$

But, as direction of the X<sub>C</sub> is the negative Y direction, the rectangular form of the impedance is denoted as,

$$Z = R - j X_C \Omega$$

While in polar form, it is denoted as,

where

$$Z = | Z | \angle -\phi \Omega$$

$$Z = R - j X_C = | Z | \angle -\phi$$

$$\text{where } | Z | = \sqrt{R^2 + X_C^2}, \quad \phi = \tan^{-1} \left[ \frac{-X_C}{R} \right]$$

**Key Point :** Thus  $\phi$  is -ve for capacitive impedance.

## Power and Power Triangle

The current leads voltage by angle  $\phi$ , hence its expression is,

$$i = I_m \sin (\omega t + \phi) \text{ as current leads voltage}$$

The power is the product of instantaneous values of voltage and current.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore P &= v \times i = V_m \sin \omega t \times I_m \sin (\omega t + \phi) \\
 &= V_m I_m [ \sin (\omega t) \cdot \sin (\omega t + \phi) ] \\
 &= V_m I_m \left[ \frac{\cos (-\phi) - \cos (2\omega t + \phi)}{2} \right] \\
 &= \frac{V_m I_m \cos \phi}{2} - \frac{V_m I_m}{2} \cos (2\omega t + \phi) \quad \text{as } \cos (-\phi) = \cos \phi
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, second term is cosine term whose average value over a cycle is zero. Hence, average power consumed by the circuit is,

$$P_{av} = \frac{V_m I_m}{2} \cos \phi = \frac{V_m}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{I_m}{\sqrt{2}} \cos \phi$$

$$\therefore \boxed{P = V I \cos \phi \text{ watts}} \quad \text{where } V \text{ and } I \text{ are r.m.s. values}$$

If we multiply voltage equation by current  $I$ , we get the power equation,

$$\overline{VI} = \overline{V_R I} + \overline{V_C I}$$

$$\therefore \overline{VI} = \overline{VI \cos \phi} + \overline{VI \sin \phi}$$

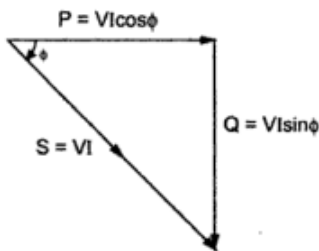


Fig. 4.22

Hence, the power triangle can be shown as in the Fig. 4.22.

Thus, the various powers are,

$$\text{Apparent Power, } S = V I \quad \text{V A}$$

$$\text{True or average power, } P = V I \cos \phi \quad \text{W}$$

$$\text{Reactive Power, } Q = V I \sin \phi \quad \text{V A R}$$

Remember that,  $X_L$  term appears positive in  $Z$ .

$$Z = R + j X_L = |Z| \angle \phi \quad \phi \text{ is + ve for inductive } Z$$

While  $X_C$  term appears negative in  $Z$ .

$$Z = R - j X_C = |Z| \angle -\phi \quad \phi \text{ is - ve for capacitive } Z$$

For any single phase a.c. circuit, the average power is given by,

$$P = V I \cos \phi \quad \text{watts}$$

where  $V, I$  are r.m.s. values

$$\cos \phi = \text{Power factor of circuit}$$

$\cos \phi$  is lagging for inductive circuit and  $\cos \phi$  is leading for capacitive circuit.

**Example 4.5 :** Calculate the resistance and inductance or capacitance in series for each of the following impedances. Assume the frequency to be 60 Hz.

- i)  $(12 + j 30)$  ohms    ii)  $-j 60$  ohms    iii)  $20 \angle 60^\circ$  ohms.

**Solution :** i)  $12 + j 30 \Omega$

Comparing the value of impedance with,

$$Z = R + j X_L, \quad R = 12 \Omega \quad \text{and } X_L = 30 \Omega = 2 \pi f L$$

$$\therefore L = \frac{30}{2\pi f} = \frac{30}{2\pi \times 60} = 79.58 \text{ mH}$$

ii)  $0 - j 60 \Omega$

Comparing with,  $Z = R - j X_C$

$$R = 0 \Omega$$

$$X_C = 60 \Omega = \frac{1}{2\pi f C}$$

$$\therefore C = \frac{1}{2\pi \times 60 \times 60} = 44.209 \mu\text{F}$$

iii)  $20 \angle 60^\circ \Omega$

Converting to rectangular form,  $Z = 10 + j 17.32$

Comparing with,  $Z = R + j X_L$

$$R = 10 \Omega$$

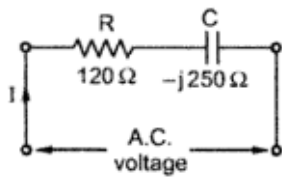
$$X_L = 17.32 \Omega = 2 \pi f L$$

$$\therefore L = \frac{1732}{2\pi \times 60} = 45.94 \text{ mH}$$



**Example 4.6 :** A resistance of 120 ohms and a capacitive reactance of 250 ohms are connected in series across a AC voltage source. If a current of 0.9 A is flowing in the circuit find out (i) power factor, (ii) supply voltage (iii) voltages across resistance and capacitance (iv) Active power and reactive power.

**Solution :** The circuit is shown in the Fig. 4.23.



$$R = 120 \, \Omega, \quad X_C = 250 \, \Omega, \quad I = 0.9 \, \text{A}$$

$$Z = R - j X_C = 120 - j250 \, \Omega = 277.308 \angle -64.358^\circ$$

Take current as reference.

$$\therefore I = 0.9 \angle 0^\circ \, \text{A}$$

i) Power factor  $\cos \phi = \cos (-64.358^\circ) = 0.4327$  leading

**Fig. 4.23**

ii) Supply voltage  $V = I \times Z = [0.9 \angle 0^\circ] \times [277.308 \angle -64.358^\circ]$

$$\therefore V = 249.5772 \angle -64.358^\circ \, \text{V}$$

iii)  $V_R = I \times R = 0.9 \times 120 = 108 \, \text{V}$  (magnitude)

$$V_C = I \times X_C = 0.9 \times 250 = 225 \, \text{V}$$
 (magnitude)

iv)  $P = \text{Active power} = V I \cos \phi = 249.5772 \times 0.9 \times 0.4327$   
 $= 97.1928 \, \text{W}$

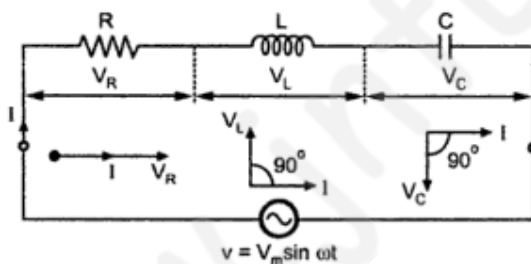
$$Q = \text{Reactive power} = V I \sin \phi$$

$$= 249.5772 \times 0.9 \times \sin (-64.358^\circ)$$

$$= -202.498 \, \text{VAR}$$

The negative sign indicates leading nature of reactive volt-amperes.

### A.C. Through Series R-L-C Circuit



**Fig. 4.24 R-L-C series circuit**

Consider a circuit consisting of resistance R ohms pure inductance L henries and capacitance C farads connected in series with each other across a.c. supply. The circuit is shown in the Fig. 4.24.

The a.c. supply is given by,

$v = V_m \sin \omega t$ . The circuit draws a current I. Due to current I, there are different voltage drops across R,

L and C which are given by,

a) Drop across resistance R is  $V_R = I R$

b) Drop across inductance L is  $V_L = I X_L$

c) Drop across capacitance C is  $V_C = I X_C$

The values of I,  $V_R$ ,  $V_L$  and  $V_C$  are r.m.s. values

The characteristics of three drops are,

a)  $V_R$  is in phase with current I.

b)  $V_L$  leads current I by  $90^\circ$ .

c)  $V_C$  lags current I by  $90^\circ$ .

According to Kirchhoff's laws, we can write,

$$\bar{V} = \bar{V}_R + \bar{V}_L + \bar{V}_C$$

... Phasor addition

Let us see the phasor diagram. Current  $I$  is taken as reference as it is common to all the elements.

Following are the steps to draw the phasor diagram :

- 1) Take current as reference.      2)  $V_R$  is in phase with  $I$ .
- 3)  $V_L$  leads current  $I$  by  $90^\circ$ .      4)  $V_C$  lags current  $I$  by  $90^\circ$ .
- 5) Obtain the resultant of  $V_L$  and  $V_C$ . Both  $V_L$  and  $V_C$  are in phase opposition ( $180^\circ$  out of phase).
- 6) Add that with  $V_R$  by law of parallelogram to get the supply voltage.

The phasor diagram depends on the conditions of the magnitudes of  $V_L$  and  $V_C$  which ultimately depends on the values of  $X_L$  and  $X_C$ . Let us consider the different cases.

### 1. $X_L > X_C$

When  $X_L > X_C$ , obviously,  $I X_L$  i.e.  $V_L$  is greater than  $I X_C$  i.e.  $V_C$ . So, resultant of  $V_L$  and  $V_C$  will be directed towards  $V_L$  i.e. leading current  $I$ . Current  $I$  will lag the resultant of  $V_L$  and  $V_C$  i.e.  $(V_L - V_C)$ .

The circuit is said to be inductive in nature. The phasor sum of  $V_R$  and  $(V_L - V_C)$  gives the resultant supply voltage,  $V$ . This is shown in the Fig. 4.25.

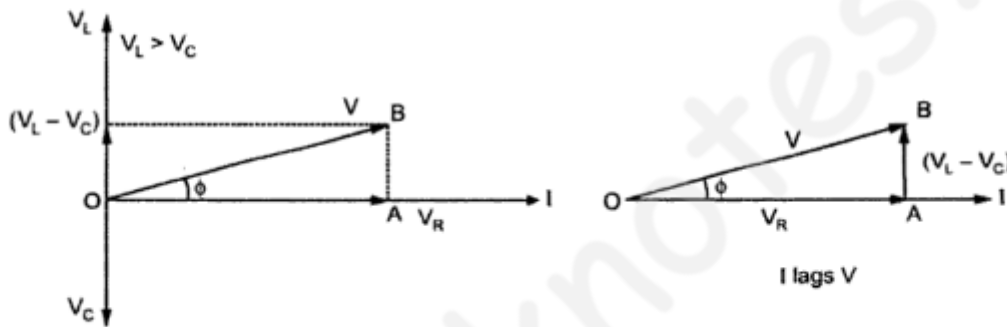


Fig. 4.25 Phasor diagram and voltage triangle for  $X_L > X_C$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{From the voltage triangle, } V &= \sqrt{(V_R)^2 + (V_L - V_C)^2} = \sqrt{(IR)^2 + (IX_L - IX_C)^2} \\ &= I \sqrt{(R)^2 + (X_L - X_C)^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore V = I Z$$

$$\text{where } Z = \sqrt{(R)^2 + (X_L - X_C)^2}$$

So, if  $v = V_m \sin \omega t$ , then  $i = I_m \sin (\omega t - \phi)$  as current lags voltage by angle  $\phi$ .

### 2. $X_L < X_C$

When  $X_L < X_C$ , obviously,  $I X_L$  i.e.  $V_L$  is less than  $I X_C$  i.e.  $V_C$ . So, the resultant of  $V_L$  and  $V_C$  will be directed towards  $V_C$ . Current  $I$  will lead  $(V_C - V_L)$ .

The circuit is said to be capacitive in nature. The phasor sum of  $V_R$  and  $(V_C - V_L)$  gives the resultant supply voltage  $V$ . This is shown in the Fig. 4.26.

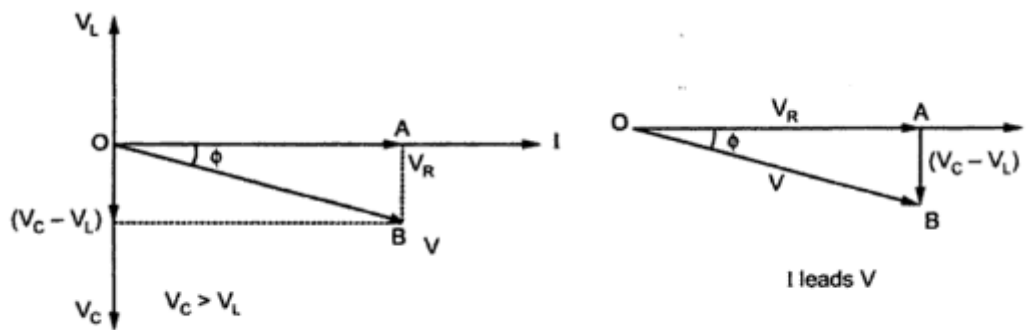


Fig. 4.26 Phasor diagram and voltage triangle for  $X_L < X_C$

From the voltage triangle,

$$V = \sqrt{(V_R)^2 + (V_C - V_L)^2} = \sqrt{(IR)^2 + (IX_C - IX_L)^2}$$

$$= I \sqrt{(R)^2 + (X_C - X_L)^2}$$

$$\therefore V = IZ$$

where  $Z = \sqrt{(R)^2 + (X_C - X_L)^2}$

So, if  $v = V_m \sin \omega t$ , then  $i = I_m \sin (\omega t + \phi)$  as current leads voltage by angle  $\phi$ .

### 3. $X_L = X_C$

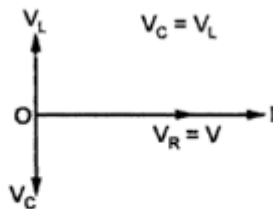


Fig. 4.27 Phasor diagram for  $X_L = X_C$

$$\therefore V = IR$$

$$\therefore V = IZ$$

where  $Z = R$

When  $X_L = X_C$ , obviously,  $V_L = V_C$ . So,  $V_L$  and  $V_C$  will cancel each other and their resultant is zero. So,  $V_R = V$  in such case and overall circuit is purely resistive in nature. The phasor diagram is shown in the Fig. 4.27.

From phasor diagram,  $V = V_R$

## Impedance

In general, for RLC series circuit impedance is given by,

$$Z = R + jX$$

where  $X = X_L - X_C =$  total reactance of circuit

If  $X_L > X_C$ ,  $X$  is positive and circuit is inductive.

If  $X_L < X_C$ ,  $X$  is negative and circuit is capacitive.

If  $X_L = X_C$ ,  $X$  is zero and circuit is purely resistive.

$$\tan \phi = \left[ \frac{X_L - X_C}{R} \right], \quad \cos \phi = \frac{R}{Z} \quad \text{and} \quad Z = \sqrt{R^2 + (X_L - X_C)^2}$$

## Impedance Triangle

The impedance is expressed as,

$$Z = R + jX \quad \text{where} \quad X = X_L - X_C$$

For  $X_L > X_C$ ,  $\phi$  is positive and the impedance triangle is as shown in the Fig. 4.28 (a).

For  $X_L < X_C$ ,  $X_L - X_C$  is negative, so  $\phi$  is negative and the impedance triangle is as shown in Fig. 4.28 (b).

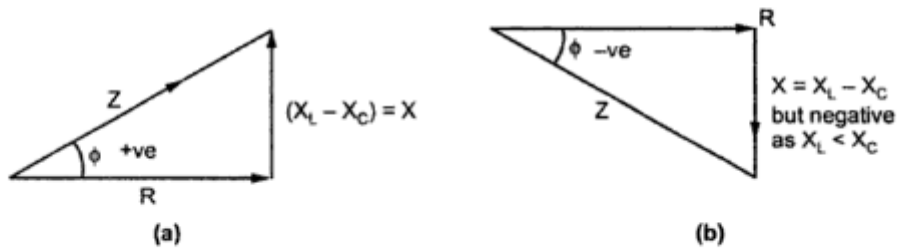


Fig. 4.28 Impedance triangles

In both the cases,  $R = Z \cos \phi$  and  $X = Z \sin \phi$

## Power and Power Triangle

The average power consumed by the circuit is,

$$P_{av} = \text{Average power consumed by R} + \text{Average power consumed by L} \\ + \text{Average power consumed by C}$$

But, pure L and C never consume any power.

$$\therefore P_{av} = \text{Power taken by R} = I^2 R = I (I R) = I V_R$$

But,  $V_R = V \cos \phi$  in both the cases

$$\therefore P = V I \cos \phi \text{ W}$$

Thus, for any condition,  $X_L > X_C$  or  $X_L < X_C$ , the power can be expressed as,

$$P = \text{Voltage} \times \text{Component of current in phase with voltage}$$

**Key Point :** The power triangle can be obtained by multiplying each side of impedance triangle by  $I^2$ .

The power triangles are shown in the Fig. 4.29.

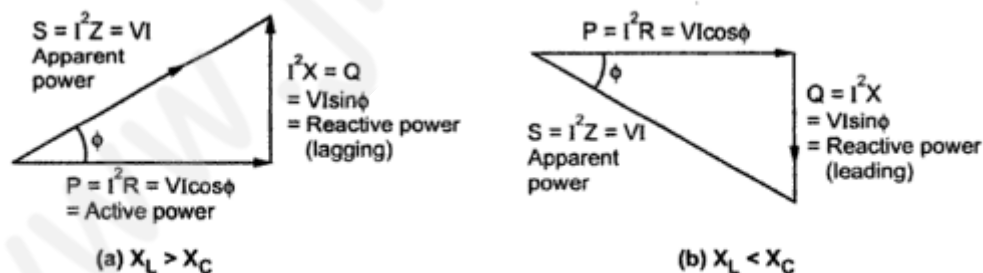


Fig. 4.29

## Summary of R, L and C circuits

| No. | Circuit    | Impedance (Z)                      |                                     | $\phi$                       | p.f. $\cos \phi$ | Remark              |
|-----|------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|
|     |            | Polar                              | Rectangular                         |                              |                  |                     |
| 1.  | Pure R     | $R \angle 0^\circ \Omega$          | $R + j0 \Omega$                     | $0^\circ$                    | 1                | Unity p.f.          |
| 2.  | Pure L     | $X_L \angle 90^\circ \Omega$       | $0 + j X_L \Omega$                  | $90^\circ$                   | 0                | Zero lagging        |
| 3.  | Pure C     | $X_C \angle -90^\circ \Omega$      | $0 - j X_C \Omega$                  | $-90^\circ$                  | 0                | Zero leading        |
| 4.  | Series RL  | $ Z  \angle +\phi^\circ \Omega$    | $R + j X_L \Omega$                  | $0^\circ < \phi < 90^\circ$  | $\cos \phi$      | Lagging             |
| 5.  | Series RC  | $ Z  \angle -\phi^\circ \Omega$    | $R - j X_C \Omega$                  | $-90^\circ < \phi < 0^\circ$ | $\cos \phi$      | Leading             |
| 6.  | Series RLC | $ Z  \angle \pm \phi^\circ \Omega$ | $R + j X \Omega$<br>$X = X_L - X_C$ | $\phi$                       | $\cos \phi$      | $X_L > X_C$ Lagging |
|     |            |                                    |                                     |                              |                  | $X_L < X_C$ Leading |
|     |            |                                    |                                     |                              |                  | $X_L = X_C$ Unity   |

**Example 4.7 :** A series circuit consisting of  $25 \Omega$  resistor,  $64 \text{ mH}$  inductor and  $80 \mu\text{F}$  capacitor, is connected to a  $110 \text{ V}$ ,  $50 \text{ Hz}$ , single phase supply as shown in Fig. 4.30. Calculate the current, voltage across individual element and the overall p.f. of the circuit. Draw a neat phasor diagram showing  $\bar{I}$ ,  $\bar{V}_R$ ,  $\bar{V}_L$ ,  $\bar{V}_C$  and  $\bar{V}$ .

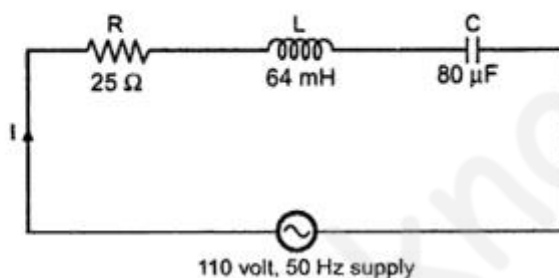


Fig. 4.30

**Solution :** From Fig. 4.30,

$$R = 25 \Omega$$

$$X_L = 2\pi fL = 2\pi \times 50 \times 64 \times 10^{-3} = 20.10 \Omega$$

$$X_C = \frac{1}{2\pi fC} = \frac{1}{2\pi \times 50 \times 80 \times 10^{-6}} = 39.78 \Omega$$

$$Z = R + jX_L - jX_C = 25 + j20.10 - j39.78$$

$$Z = (25 - j19.68) \Omega$$

$$I = \frac{V}{Z} = \frac{110 \angle 0^\circ}{25 - j19.68} = \frac{110 \angle 0^\circ}{31.81 \angle -38.20^\circ}$$

$$I = 3.4580 \angle 38.20^\circ \text{ A}$$

$$\therefore I = 3.4580 \text{ A}$$

$$V_R = IR = (3.4580 \angle 38.20^\circ)(25) = 86.45 \angle 38.20^\circ \text{ volts}$$

$$\begin{aligned} V_L &= I(jX_L) = (3.4580 \angle 38.20^\circ)(j20.10) \\ &= (3.4580 \angle 38.20^\circ)(20.10 \angle 90^\circ) = 69.50 \angle 128.2^\circ \text{ volts} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} V_C &= I(-jX_C) = (3.4580 \angle 38.20^\circ)(-j39.78) \\ &= (3.4580 \angle 38.20^\circ)(38.78 \angle -90^\circ) = 134.10 \angle -51.9^\circ \text{ volts} \end{aligned}$$

$$V = 110 \angle 0^\circ \text{ volts}$$

Overall p.f.,  $\cos \phi = \cos 38.2^\circ = 0.7858$  leading.

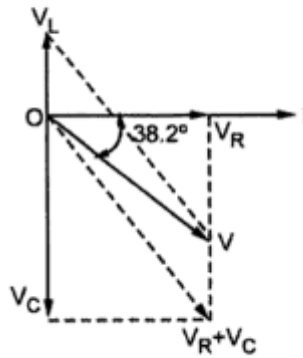


Fig. 4.30 (a)

### A. C. Parallel Circuit

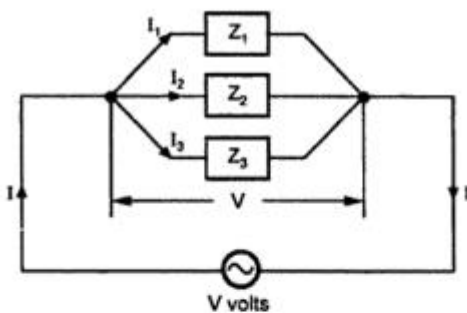


Fig. 4.33 A.C. parallel circuit

A parallel circuit is one in which two or more impedances are connected in parallel across the supply voltage. Each impedance may be a separate series circuit. Each impedance is called branch of the parallel circuit.

The Fig. 4.33 shows a parallel circuit consisting of three impedances connected in parallel across an a.c. supply of V volts.

**Key Point :** The voltage across all the impedances is same as supply voltage of V volts.

The current taken by each impedance is different.

Applying Kirchoff's law,

$$\bar{I} = \bar{I}_1 + \bar{I}_2 + \bar{I}_3 \quad \dots \text{ (phasor addition)}$$

$\therefore$

$$\frac{\bar{V}}{\bar{Z}} = \frac{\bar{V}}{\bar{Z}_1} + \frac{\bar{V}}{\bar{Z}_2} + \frac{\bar{V}}{\bar{Z}_3}$$

$\therefore$

$$\frac{1}{\bar{Z}} = \frac{1}{\bar{Z}_1} + \frac{1}{\bar{Z}_2} + \frac{1}{\bar{Z}_3}$$

where Z is called equivalent impedance. This result is applicable for 'n' such impedances connected in parallel.

Following are the steps to solve parallel a.c. circuit :

- 1) The currents in the individual branches are to be calculated by using the relation

$$\bar{I}_1 = \frac{\bar{V}}{\bar{Z}_1}, \quad \bar{I}_2 = \frac{\bar{V}}{\bar{Z}_2}, \quad \dots, \quad \bar{I}_n = \frac{\bar{V}}{\bar{Z}_n}$$

while the individual phase angles can be calculated by the relation,

$$\tan \phi_1 = \frac{X_1}{R_1}, \quad \tan \phi_2 = \frac{X_2}{R_2}, \quad \dots, \quad \tan \phi_n = \frac{X_n}{R_n}$$

- 2) Voltage must be taken as reference phasor as it is common to all branches.
- 3) Represent all the currents on the phasor diagram and add them graphically or mathematically by expressing them in rectangular form. This is the resultant current drawn from the supply.
- 4) The phase angle of resultant current I is power factor angle. Cosine of this angle is the power factor of the circuit..

## Concept of Admittance

Admittance is defined as the reciprocal of the impedance. It is denoted by  $Y$  and is measured in unit siemens or mho.

Now, current equation for the circuit shown in the Fig. 4.34 is,

$$\bar{I} = \bar{I}_1 + \bar{I}_2 + \bar{I}_3$$

$$\bar{I} = \bar{V} \times \left(\frac{1}{Z_1}\right) + \bar{V} \times \left(\frac{1}{Z_2}\right) + \bar{V} \times \left(\frac{1}{Z_3}\right)$$

$$\bar{V}Y = \bar{V}Y_1 + \bar{V}Y_2 + \bar{V}Y_3$$

$$\therefore \bar{Y} = \bar{Y}_1 + \bar{Y}_2 + \bar{Y}_3$$

where  $Y$  is the admittance of the total circuit. The three impedances connected in parallel can be replaced by an equivalent circuit, where three admittances are connected in series, as shown in the Fig. 4.34.

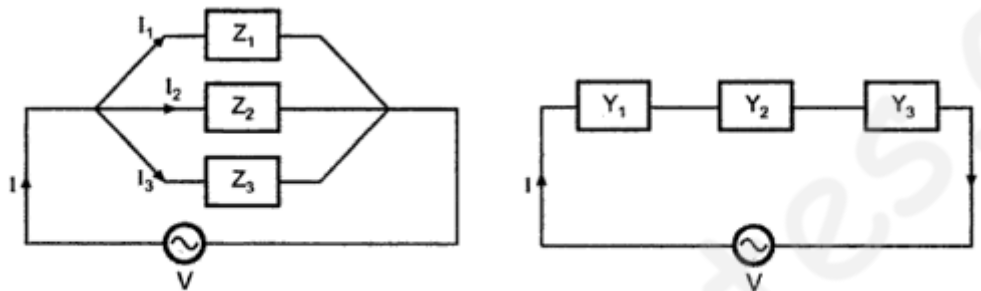


Fig. 4.34 Equivalent parallel circuit using admittances

## Components of Admittance

Consider an impedance given as,

$$Z = R \pm jX$$

Positive sign for inductive and negative for capacitive circuit.

$$\text{Admittance } Y = \frac{1}{Z} = \frac{1}{R \pm jX}$$

Rationalising the above expression,

$$\begin{aligned} Y &= \frac{R \mp jX}{(R \pm jX)(R \mp jX)} = \frac{R \mp jX}{R^2 + X^2} \\ &= \left(\frac{R}{R^2 + X^2}\right) \mp j\left(\frac{X}{R^2 + X^2}\right) = \frac{R}{Z^2} \mp j\frac{X}{Z^2} \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$

In the above expression,

and

$$\begin{aligned} Y &= G \mp jB \\ G &= \text{Conductance} = \frac{R}{Z^2} \\ B &= \text{Susceptance} = \frac{X}{Z^2} \end{aligned}$$

## Conductance (G)

It is defined as the ratio of the resistance to the square of the impedance. It is measured in the unit siemens.

## Susceptance (B)

It is defined as the ratio of the reactance to the square of the impedance. It is measured in the unit siemens.

►►► **Example 4.9 :** Two impedance  $Z_1 = 5 - j13.1 \Omega$  and  $Z_2 = 8.57 + j6.42 \Omega$  are connected in parallel across a voltage of  $(100 + j200)$  volts.

Estimate :-

i) branch currents in complex form ii) total power consumed,

Draw a neat phasor diagram showing voltage, branch currents and all phase angles.

**Solution :** The circuit is shown in the Fig. 4.36.

$$V = 100 + j200 = 223.607 \angle 63.43^\circ \text{ V}$$

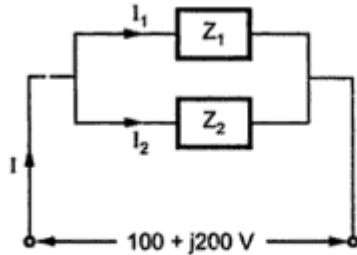


Fig. 4.36

$$Z_1 = 5 - j13.1 = 14.021 \angle -69.109^\circ \Omega$$

$$Z_2 = 8.57 + j6.42 = 10.71 \angle +36.83^\circ \Omega$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i) } I_1 &= \frac{V}{Z_1} = \frac{223.607 \angle 63.43^\circ}{14.021 \angle -69.109^\circ} \\ &= 15.948 \angle 132.539^\circ \text{ A} \\ &= -10.782 + j11.75 \text{ A} \end{aligned}$$

$$I_2 = \frac{V}{Z_2} = \frac{223.607 \angle 63.43^\circ}{10.71 \angle +36.83^\circ}$$

$$= 20.878 \angle 26.6^\circ \text{ A} = 18.668 + j9.3483 \text{ A}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore I_T &= \bar{I}_1 + \bar{I}_2 = -10.782 + j11.75 + 18.668 + j9.3483 \\ &= 7.886 + j21.0983 \text{ A} = 22.5239 \angle 69.5^\circ \text{ A} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \phi_T &= \text{Angle between } V \text{ and } I_T \\ &= 69.5 - 63.43 = 6.075^\circ \text{ leading} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore P_T &= V I_T \cos \phi_T = 223.607 \times 22.5239 \times \cos (6.075) \\ &= 5008.212 \text{ W} \end{aligned}$$

The phasor diagram is shown in the Fig. 4.37.

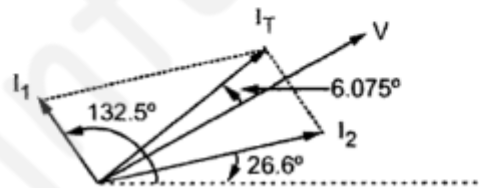


Fig. 4.37

►►► **Example 4.11 :** Find the current through  $4 \Omega$  resistor by using loop current method.

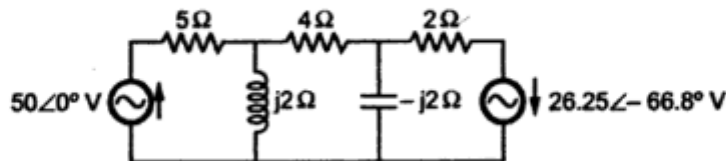
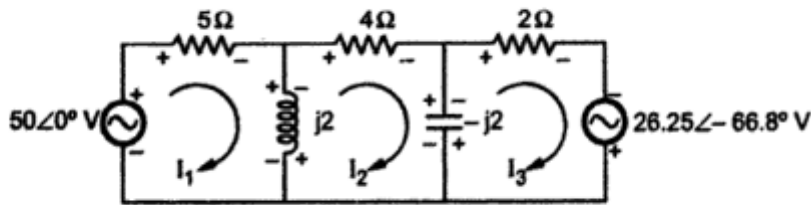


Fig. 4.39



**Solution :** The various loop currents are shown in the Fig. 4.39 (a),



**Fig. 4.39 (a)**

Loop 1,  $-5I_1 - j2I_1 + j2I_2 + 50 \angle 0^\circ = 0$   
 $\therefore I_1(5 + j2) - I_2 j2 = 50 \angle 0^\circ$  ... (1)

Loop 2,  $-4I_2 - I_2(-j2) + I_3(-j2) - j2I_2 + j2I_1 = 0$   
 $\therefore I_1(j2) + I_2(-4) - I_3(j2) = 0$  ... (2)

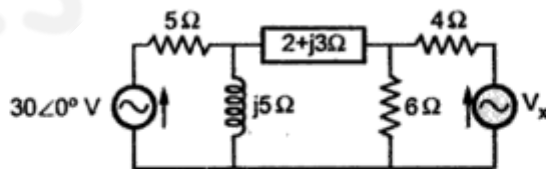
Loop 3,  $-2I_3 + 26.25 \angle -66.8^\circ - I_3(-j2) + I_2(-j2) = 0$   
 $\therefore I_2(j2) + I_3(2 - j2) = 26.25 \angle -66.8^\circ$  ... (3)

$\therefore D = \begin{vmatrix} 5 + j2 & -j2 & 0 \\ j2 & -4 & -j2 \\ 0 & j2 & 2 - j2 \end{vmatrix}$   
 $= -4(2 - j2)(5 + j2) - 4(2 - j2) - 4(5 + j2)$   
 $= -84 + j24$

and  $D_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 5 + j2 & 50 \angle 0^\circ & 0 \\ j2 & 0 & -j2 \\ 0 & 26.25 \angle -66.8^\circ & 2 - j2 \end{vmatrix}$   
 $= -j2(2 - j2)50 \angle 0^\circ + j2(5 + j2)(26.25 \angle -66.8^\circ)$   
 $= [2 \angle -90^\circ \times 2.828 \angle -45^\circ \times 50 \angle 0^\circ] + [2 \angle 90^\circ \times 5.385 \angle 21.8^\circ \times 26.25 \angle -66.8^\circ]$   
 $= -199.969 - j199.969 + 199.9 + j199.9 = 0$

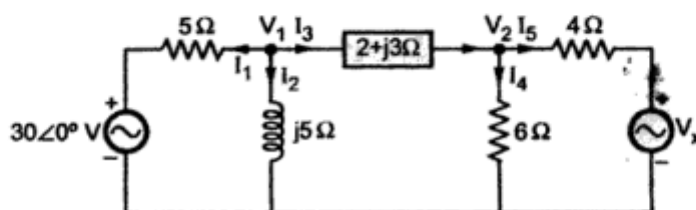
$\therefore I_2 = \frac{D_2}{D} = 0 \text{ A} = \text{current through } 4 \Omega$

**Example 4.12 :** Use the nodal analysis to find the value of  $V_x$  in the circuit shown in the Fig. 4.40 such that the current through  $(2 + j3) \Omega$  impedance is zero.



**Fig. 4.40**

**Solution :** The various node voltages and currents are shown in the Fig. 4.40 (a).



**Fig. 4.40 (a)**

At node 1,  $-I_1 - I_2 - I_3 = 0$

$$\therefore -\left[\frac{V_1 - 30\angle 0^\circ}{5}\right] - \left[\frac{V_1}{j5}\right] - \left[\frac{V_1 - V_2}{2 + j3}\right] = 0$$

But current through  $(2 + j3) \Omega$  i.e.  $I_3 = 0$

$$\therefore -\left[\frac{V_1 - 30\angle 0^\circ}{5}\right] - \frac{V_1}{j5} = 0$$

$$\therefore \frac{-V_1}{j5} + \frac{30\angle 0^\circ}{5} - \frac{V_1}{5\angle 90^\circ} = 0$$

$$\therefore V_1 [0.2 + 0.2\angle -90^\circ] = 6\angle -0^\circ$$

$$\therefore V_1 = \frac{6\angle 0^\circ}{0.2 - j0.2} = \frac{6\angle 0^\circ}{0.2828\angle -45^\circ}$$

$$= 21.216\angle +45^\circ \text{ V}$$

At node 2,  $I_3 - I_4 - I_5 = 0$

i.e.  $I_4 + I_5 = 0$

... as  $I_3 = 0$

$$\therefore \frac{V_2}{6} + \frac{V_2 - V_x}{4} = 0$$

$$\therefore V_2 \left[\frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{4}\right] - \frac{V_x}{4} = 0$$

$$\therefore 0.4166 V_2 - 0.25 V_x = 0$$

$$\therefore V_x = 1.667 V_2$$

... (1)

► **Example 4.13 :** Use the node voltage technique to obtain the current  $I$  in the network shown in the Fig. 4.41.

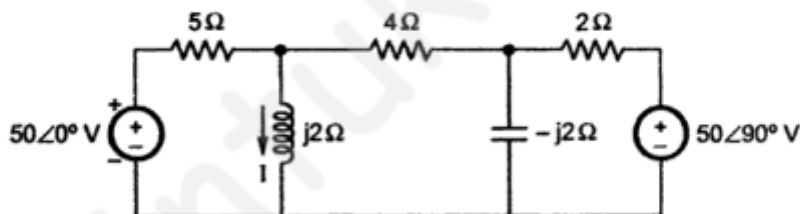


Fig. 4.41

As  $I_3 = 0$ ,  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  must be equal.

$$\therefore V_2 = V_1 = 21.2\angle 45^\circ \text{ V} \quad \dots(2)$$

$$\therefore V_x = 1.667 \times 21.2\angle +45^\circ = 35.33\angle 45^\circ \text{ V}$$

**Solution :** The various currents and node voltages are shown in the Fig. 4.41 (a).

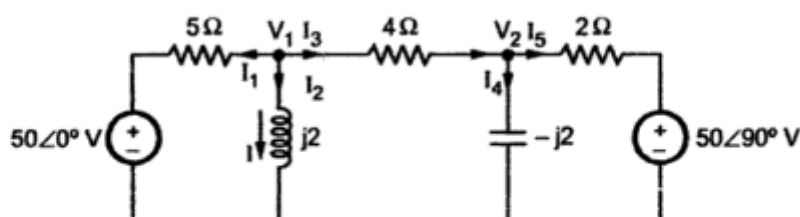


Fig. 4.41 (a)

At node 1,  $-I_1 - I_2 - I_3 = 0$  i.e.  $I_1 + I_2 + I_3 = 0$

$$\therefore \frac{V_1 - 50\angle 0^\circ}{5} + \frac{V_1}{j2} + \frac{V_1 - V_2}{4} = 0$$

$$\therefore V_1 \left[ \frac{1}{5} - j\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} \right] - V_2 \left[ \frac{1}{4} \right] = 10 \quad \dots \frac{1}{j} = -j$$

$$\therefore V_1 [0.45 - j0.5] - V_2 (0.25) = 10 \quad \dots (1)$$

At node 2,  $I_3 - I_4 - I_5 = 0$

$$\therefore \frac{V_1 - V_2}{4} - \frac{V_2}{-j2} - \frac{V_2 - 50 \angle 90^\circ}{2} = 0$$

$$\therefore V_1 \left[ \frac{1}{4} \right] + V_2 \left[ -\frac{1}{4} - j\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \right] = -25 \angle 90^\circ \quad \dots \frac{1}{j} = -j$$

$$\therefore 0.25 V_1 + V_2 [-0.75 - j0.5] = -j25 \quad \dots (2)$$

For calculating  $I = I_2$ , only  $V_1$  is required.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore D &= \begin{vmatrix} 0.45 - j0.5 & -0.25 \\ 0.25 & -0.75 - j0.5 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= -0.3375 + j0.375 - j0.225 - 0.25 + 0.0625 \\ &= -0.525 + j0.15 = 0.546 \angle 164.05^\circ \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} D_1 &= \begin{vmatrix} 10 & -0.25 \\ -j25 & -0.75 - j0.5 \end{vmatrix} = -7.5 - j5 - j6.25 \\ &= -7.5 - j11.25 = 13.52 \angle -123.69^\circ \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore V_1 = \frac{D_1}{D} = \frac{13.52 \angle -123.69^\circ}{0.546 \angle 164.05^\circ} = 24.762 \angle 40.36^\circ \text{ V}$$

$$\therefore I = \frac{V_1}{j2} = \frac{24.762 \angle 40.36^\circ}{2 \angle 90^\circ} = 12.381 \angle -49.64^\circ \text{ A}$$