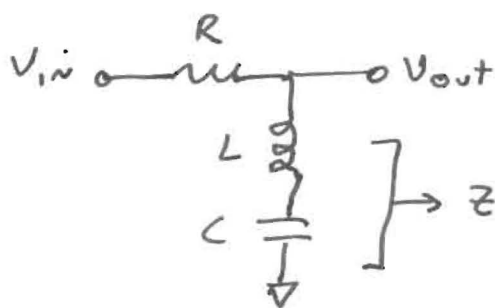


Models of Motion 2015

— Circuits, Week 4 Solutions —

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note: this circuit
discussed on p 4/4
of the Lab Manual

$$Z_2 = Z_L + Z_C = \frac{1}{i\omega C} + i\omega L$$

This circuit is a voltage divider, with the lower (LC) part having $Z_2 = Z_L + Z_C =$ impedance of the capacitor and inductor in series... so

$$V_{out} = V_{in} \frac{Z_2}{Z_2 + R} \quad \text{by the voltage divider equation,}$$

or

$$G = \frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} = \frac{Z_2}{Z_2 + R} \quad \text{with } Z_2 = \frac{1}{i\omega C} + i\omega L$$

It is easiest to re-write Z_2 as a single complex number:

$$Z_2 = \frac{1}{i\omega C} + i\omega L = \frac{-i}{\omega C} + i\omega L = i\left(\omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C}\right)$$

Then

$$G = \frac{i\left(\omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C}\right)}{R + i\left(\omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C}\right)} \quad \text{Egn (1)}$$

Arguably this answers the question... but it's better to give $G = |G| e^{i\phi}$, i.e. as a magnitude and a phase.

Before we do that, let's see what Egn (1) tells us:

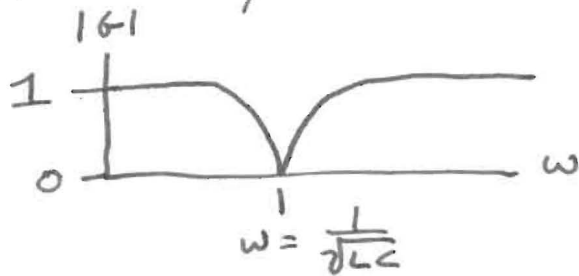
a) when $\omega L = \frac{1}{\omega C}$, $G = 0$. In other words, the gain $\rightarrow 0$ when $\omega^2 = \frac{1}{LC}$ or $\omega = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$, i.e. $G = 0$ at the resonant frequency $\omega = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$.

b) As $\omega \rightarrow \infty$, $G \rightarrow 1$ since $\omega L \gg \frac{1}{\omega C}$
when $\omega \rightarrow \infty$. $\omega L \gg R$

c) As $\omega \rightarrow 0$, $G \rightarrow 1$, since

$$\frac{1}{\omega L} \gg \omega L \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{1}{\omega C} \gg R \quad \text{when } \omega \rightarrow 0.$$

So we already can see that $|G|$ behaves like:



Let's write G as a magnitude and a phase:

$$G = |G| e^{i\phi}$$

Since we already know that $\omega_R = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$ is the special "resonant" frequency, it will be nicer to write G in terms of $\omega_R = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$. To do this, let's multiply by:

$$G = \frac{1}{R + i(\omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C})} = \frac{(\frac{\omega}{L})}{(\frac{\omega}{L})} \frac{i(\omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C})}{R + i(\omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C})}$$

$$= \frac{i(\omega^2 - \frac{1}{LC})}{\omega \frac{R}{L} + i(\omega^2 - \frac{1}{LC})} = \frac{i(\omega^2 - \omega_R^2)}{\omega \frac{R}{L} + i(\omega^2 - \omega_R^2)} = G$$

This makes it easy to get $|G|$:

$$|G| = \sqrt{G G^*} = \left[\frac{(\omega^2 - \omega_R^2)^2}{(\omega \frac{R}{L})^2 + (\omega^2 - \omega_R^2)^2} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

This is not particularly more illuminating than our earlier expression for G ; however, let's look at the phase behavior:

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To get ϕ , it would be handy to have G in the form $G = a + ib$, since then $\tan \phi = \frac{b}{a}$.

We can use the usual trick of multiplying G by 1, where $1 = \frac{\text{complex conjugate of denominator}}{\text{complex conj. of denominator}}$:

$$G = \frac{i(\omega^2 - \omega_R^2)}{\omega \frac{R}{L} + i(\omega^2 - \omega_R^2)} \cdot \frac{\omega \frac{R}{L} - i(\omega^2 - \omega_R^2)}{\omega \frac{R}{L} - i(\omega^2 - \omega_R^2)}$$

$$= \frac{(\omega^2 - \omega_R^2)^2 + i \omega \frac{R}{L} (\omega^2 - \omega_R^2)}{(\omega \frac{R}{L})^2 + (\omega^2 - \omega_R^2)^2} = a + ib$$

so ~~the~~ $\frac{b}{a} = \frac{\omega \frac{R}{L} (\omega^2 - \omega_R^2)}{(\omega^2 - \omega_R^2)^2} = \boxed{\frac{\omega R}{L (\omega^2 - \omega_R^2)}} = \tan \phi = \frac{b}{a}$

This one is tricky: note that for:

$0 \leq \omega < \omega_R$, $\tan \phi < 0$ and as $\omega \rightarrow 0$, $\tan \phi \rightarrow 0$
 $\omega \rightarrow \omega_R$, $\tan \phi \rightarrow -\infty$

$\omega_R < \omega \leq \infty$, $\tan \phi > 0$ and as $\omega \rightarrow \infty$, $\tan \phi \rightarrow 0$

$\omega = \omega_R$, $\tan \phi = \text{undefined}$. $\omega \rightarrow \omega_R$, $\tan \phi \rightarrow \infty$

When $\tan \phi < 0$, $\phi < 0^\circ$; when $\tan \phi > 0$, $\phi > 0^\circ$, and when $\tan \phi = \pm \infty$, $\phi = \pm 90^\circ$, so:

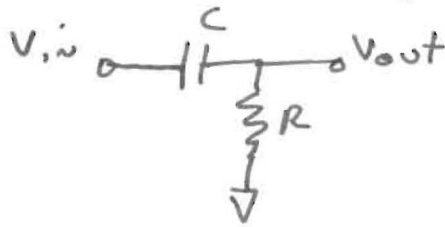


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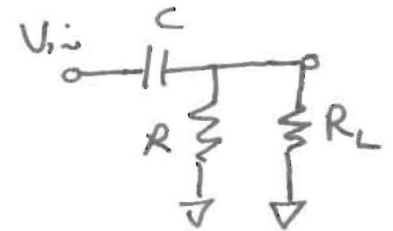
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Filter must pass frequencies $> 20 \text{ Hz}$, and have a 3dB point of $F_{3dB} = 10 \text{ Hz}$. Load is $\geq 10k$.

→ if a circuit must pass frequencies above some cutoff, it must be a high-pass filter, which looks like:



or, with the load attached:



For an RC circuit we know $\omega_{3dB} = \frac{1}{RC}$, or

$$F_{3dB} = \frac{\omega}{2\pi} = \frac{1}{2\pi RC}$$

We also know the output impedance of our circuit must be very low compared to R_{Load} so that the circuit behavior doesn't change when we connect the load: $R_{out} \ll R_{Load}$.

Since a voltage source looks like a short circuit,

$$R_{out} = Z_C \parallel R = \frac{R Z_C}{R + Z_C} \ll R_L$$

and from above

$$F_{3dB} = 10 \text{ Hz} = \frac{1}{2\pi RC}$$

Since we need $R_{out} \ll R_L$, we need to know what the ~~smallest~~ ^{largest} value of R_{out} is. From above,

$$R_{out} = \frac{R Z_C}{R + Z_C} = \frac{R \left(\frac{1}{i\omega C}\right)}{R + \left(\frac{1}{i\omega C}\right)} \quad (\text{Equation 1})$$

#3, Add Ex.

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Looking at Eqn 1, as:

$\omega \rightarrow 0$, $R_{out} \rightarrow R$ (since $\frac{1}{j\omega C} \rightarrow \infty$, and since it's on the top and the bottom, it cancels)

$\omega \rightarrow \infty$, $R_{out} \rightarrow 0$

There are no special frequencies in between - you could calculate $|R_{out}|$ (really should be $|Z_{out}|$ since it's complex) to see that this is true.

Given that $Z_{out} \leq R$, and we need

$|Z_{out}| \ll R_L$, i.e. ~~$R_L \ll |Z_{out}|$~~ $R_L > 10 \cdot |Z_{out}| = 10 R$

then $R \leq 1k$ since $R_L = 10k > 10 R$.

Since $F_{3db} = 10 \text{ Hz} = \frac{1}{2\pi R L}$, $C = \frac{1}{2\pi R \cdot 10 \text{ Hz}} \approx \frac{1}{6} e^{-4} = 1.5 e^{-5}$

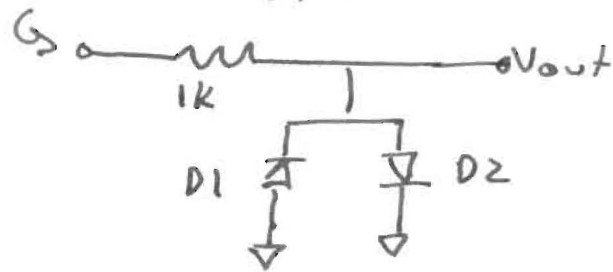
or $C \approx 15 \mu\text{F} = 15 e^{-6} \text{ F}$

#7, Add. Ex.

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we're given

$$V_{in} = 6.3 V_{rms}, AC$$



Diode D_2 will conduct when $V_{out} \geq 0.6 V$ (one diode drop)
so $V_{out} \leq 0.6 V$.

Diode D_1 will conduct (be a short circuit, albeit w/ a 0.6 V drop) when $V_{out} \leq -0.6 V$.

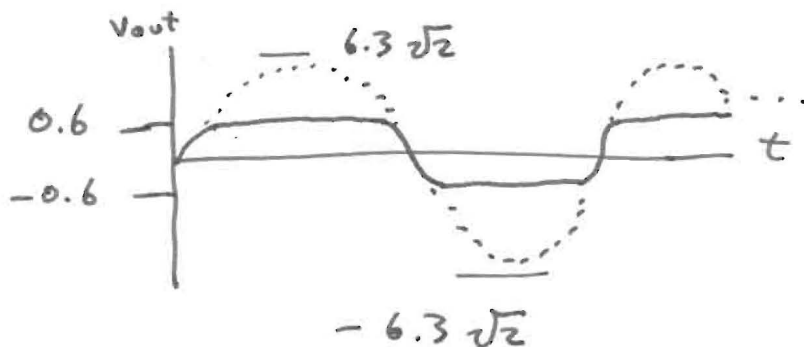
Hence
$$-0.6 V \leq V_{out} \leq 0.6 V$$

Since $V_{in} = 6.3 V_{rms}$ (probably from wall voltage, so AC at 60 Hz)

$$V_{in} = \sqrt{2} \cdot 6.3 V \cdot \cos(2\pi \cdot 60 \text{ Hz} \cdot t)$$

Since RMS voltage for a sine wave is given by $\frac{V_{peak}}{\sqrt{2}} = V_{rms}$

So, roughly, V_{out} will look like



The sinusoidal waveform is clipped at $\pm 0.6 V$.