

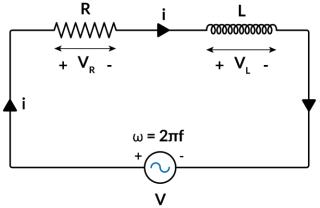
# Summary Single-Phase AC Circuits

# **Analysis of RL Circuits**

RL circuits have two types: series and parallel RL circuits.

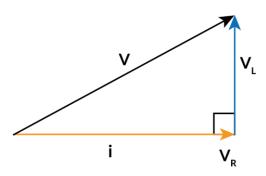
#### **Series RL Circuit**

The circuit diagram for the series RL circuit is as follows.



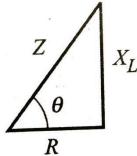
The important takeaways to be remembered are as follows:

- Voltage equation:  $\underline{v} = \underline{v_R} + \underline{v_L}$
- Current equation:  $\underline{\underline{i}} = \underline{\underline{i}_R} = \overline{\underline{i}_L}$
- Phasor diagram: The following figure represents the phasor diagram of series RL circuits.



• Impedance triangle: The following figure represents the impedance triangle.





 $\circ \quad \textbf{Impedance:} \ Z = R + jX_L$ 

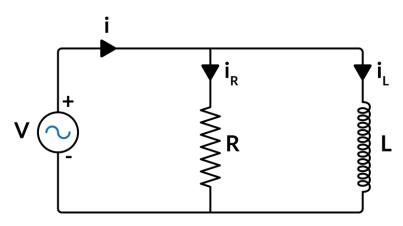
• Magnitude of impedance:  $|Z| = \sqrt{R^2 + X_L^2}$ 

• Impedance angle:  $\theta = tan^{-1} \frac{X_L}{R}$ 

• Power factor:  $cos \theta = \frac{R}{Z}$  lagging

#### **Parallel RL Circuit**

The circuit diagram for the parallel RL circuit is given as follows.

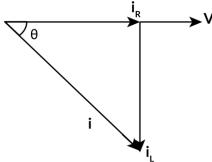


The important takeaways to be remembered are as follows:

• Current equation:  $\underline{i} = \underline{i}_R + \underline{i}_L$ 

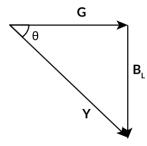
• Voltage equation:  $\underline{v} = \underline{v_R} = \underline{v_L}$ 

• Phasor diagram: The phasor diagram for parallel RL circuits is given as follows.



• Admittance triangle: The admittance triangle for series RL circuits is given as follows.





• Admittance:  $Y = G - jB_L$ 

• Magnitude of admittance:  $|Y| = \sqrt{G^2 + B_L^2}$ 

Where,

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

 $G = \text{conductance} = \frac{1}{R}$ 

 $B_L$  = Inductive susceptance =  $\frac{1}{X_L}$ 

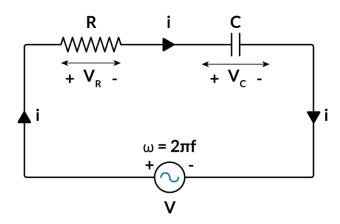
Admittance angle:  $\theta = tan^{-1} \frac{B_L}{G}$ Power factor:  $cos \theta = \frac{G}{Y}$  lagging

# **Analysis of RC Circuits**

RC circuits have two types: series and parallel RC circuits.

#### **Series RC Circuit**

The circuit diagram for series RL circuits is given as follows.



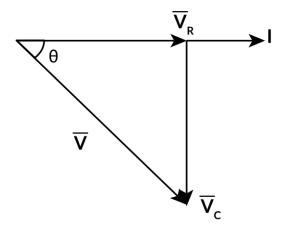
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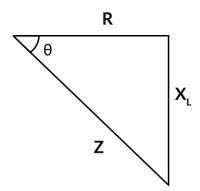
• Current equation:  $\underline{i} = \underline{i_R} = \underline{i_C}$ 

• Voltage equation:  $\underline{v} = \underline{v_R} + \underline{v_C}$ 

• Phasor diagram: The phasor diagram for the series RC circuit is given as follows.



• Impedance triangle: The impedance triangle of series RC circuit is given as follows.



○ **Impedance:**  $Z = R - jX_C$ 

• Magnitude of impedance:  $|Z| = \sqrt{R^2 + X_C^2}$ 

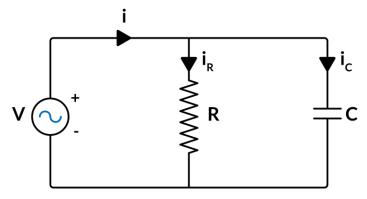
• Impedance angle:  $\theta = tan^{-1} \frac{X_C}{R}$ 

• Power factor:  $cos \theta = \frac{R}{Z}$  leading

#### **Parallel RC Circuit**

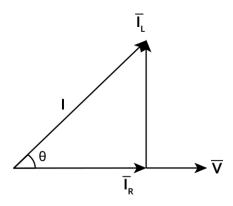
The circuit diagram for the parallel RL circuit is given as follows.



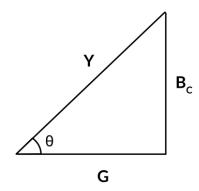


The important takeaways to be remembered are as follows:

• Voltage equation:  $\underline{v} = \underline{v_R} = \underline{v_C}$ • Current equation:  $\underline{i} = \underline{i_R} + \underline{i_C}$ • Phasor diagram: The phasor diagram of parallel RC circuits is given as follows.



Admittance triangle: The admittance triangle for series RL circuit is given as follows.



• Admittance:  $Y = G + jB_C$ 

Magnitude of admittance:  $|Y| = \sqrt{G^2 + B_C^2}$ Where  $B_C$  = capacitive susceptance =  $\frac{1}{X_C}$ 

Admittance angle:  $\theta = tan^{-1} \frac{B_C}{G}$ 



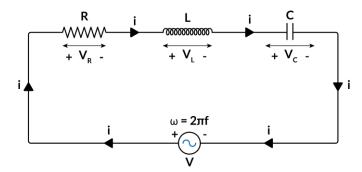
• Power factor:  $cos \theta = \frac{G}{Y}$  leading

### **Analysis of RLC Circuits**

RLC circuits have two types: series and parallel RLC circuits.

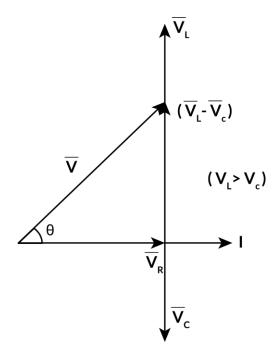
#### **Series RLC Circuits**

The circuit diagram of series RLC circuit is shown below.



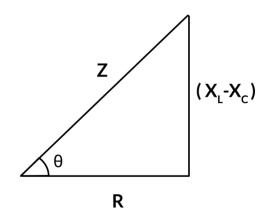
The important takeaways to be remembered are as follows:

- Current equation:  $\underline{i} = \underline{i}_R = \underline{i}_L = \underline{i}_C$
- Voltage equation:  $\underline{v} = \underline{v_R} + \underline{v_L} + \overline{\underline{v_C}}$  Phasor diagram: The phasor diagram of the series RLC circuit for  $v_L > v_C$  is given as follows.





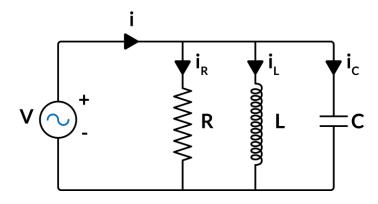
• **Impedance triangle:** The impedance triangle of the series RLC circuit for  $X_L > X_C$  is as follows.



- **Impedance:**  $Z = R + j(X_L X_C)$
- Magnitude of impedance:  $|Z| = \sqrt{R^2 + (X_L X_C)^2}$
- Impedance angle:  $\theta = tan^{-1} \frac{(X_L X_C)}{R}$
- Power factor:  $cos \theta = \frac{R}{Z}$ 
  - O Power factor will be lagging when net reactance  $(X_L X_C)$  is inductive in nature.
  - $\circ$  Power factor will be leading when net reactance  $(X_L X_C)$  is capacitive in nature.

#### **Parallel RLC Circuits**

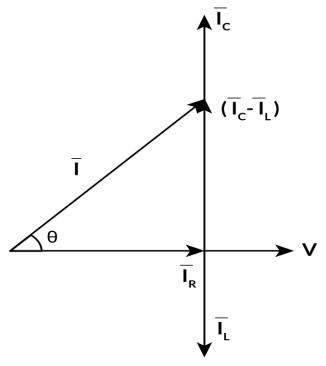
The circuit diagram of parallel RLC circuits is as follows.



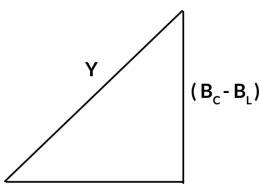
The important takeaways to be remembered are as follows:

- Voltage equation:  $\underline{v} = \underline{v_R} = \underline{v_L} = \underline{v_C}$
- Current equation:  $\underline{i} = \underline{i}_R + \underline{i}_L + \underline{i}_C$
- **Phasor diagram:** The phasor diagram of the series RLC circuit for  $i_C > i_L$  is given as follows.





**Admittance triangle:** The admittance triangle of the parallel RLC circuit for  $B_C > B_L$  is as follows.



- Power factor:  $cos \theta = \frac{G}{Y}$ 
  - $\circ$  Power factor will be leading when net susceptance  $(B_{\mathcal{C}}-B_{L})$  is capacitive in
  - Power factor will be lagging when net susceptance  $(B_{\mathcal{C}}-B_{L})$  is inductive in nature.



### **Complex Power and Power Factor**

Complex power and power factor are interrelated.

#### **Complex Power**

Complex power can be written as  $S = VI^*$ , where V and I are the RMS values of voltage and current. It can be calculated for inductive and capacitive load. Let's look at both:

#### • Inductive load

Let voltage be  $V = V \angle 0^{\circ}$  and

current be  $I = I \angle - \emptyset$ 

The complex power can be calculated as follows:

$$S = (V \angle 0^{\circ}) \times (I \angle - \emptyset)^{*} = VI \angle \emptyset$$

$$S = VIcos \emptyset + jVIsin \emptyset$$
 .....(1)

$$S = P + jQ \dots (2)$$

By comparing both equations:

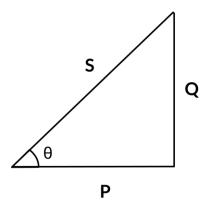
 $P = Active (Real) power = VIcos \emptyset = Average active power; unit is watt (W)$ 

Q = Reactive power =  $VIsin \emptyset$ ; unit is volt-ampere reactive (VAr)

For inductive load, reactive power is always positive.

$$|S| = Apparent power = \sqrt{P^2 + Q^2} = VI$$
; unit is volt-ampere (VA)

Power triangle: The representation of the power triangle is as follows.



 $\circ$  Power angle:  $\theta = tan^{-1}\frac{Q}{p}$ 



#### Capacitive load

Let voltage be  $V = V \angle 0^{\circ}$  and

current be  $I = I \angle \emptyset$ 

The complex power can be calculated as follows:

$$S = (V \angle 0^{\circ}) \times (I \angle \emptyset)^{*} = VI \angle - \emptyset$$

$$S = VIcos \emptyset - jVIsin \emptyset$$
 .....(1)

$$S = P - iQ....(2)$$

By comparing both equations:

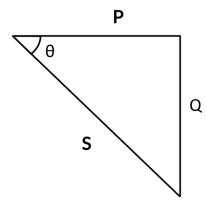
 $P = Active (Real) power = VIcos \emptyset = Average active power; unit is watt (W)$ 

Q = Reactive power =  $VIsin \emptyset$ ; unit is volt-ampere reactive (VAr)

For capacitive load, reactive power is always negative.

$$|S|$$
 = Apparent power =  $\sqrt{P^2 + Q^2}$  =  $VI$ ; unit is volt-ampere (VA)

• **Power triangle:** The representation of the power triangle is given as follows.

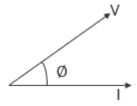


#### **Power Factor**

The power factor represents how much apparent power is utilised as active power. It can be defined in three ways:

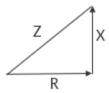
 Power factor is the cosine of the angle between voltage and the current phasor, as shown in the following figure.





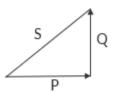
Power factor =  $cos \emptyset$ 

• Power factor is the ratio of resistance to the impedance of the circuit, as shown in the following figure.



Power factor =  $\frac{R}{Z}$ 

 Power factor is the ratio of active power to apparent power, as shown in the following figure.



Power factor =  $\frac{P}{S}$ 

- Power factor also depends on the nature of the load:
  - For resistive load, the power factor is unity.
  - o For inductive load, the power factor is lagging.
  - o For capacitive load, the power factor is leading.

## **Measurement of Power**

**Power** is the rate of change of energy over time. The relation between power and energy is as follows:

$$P = \frac{dW}{dt}$$

The unit is Watt or Joule/sec.



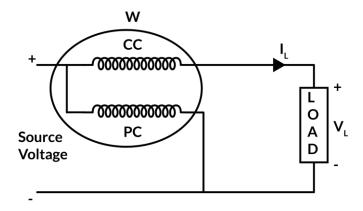
Power is the product of voltage, current and the power factor, as given in the following formula:

$$P = V \times I \times \cos \emptyset$$

The device directly used to measure power is the wattmeter.

#### Wattmeter

The connection diagram of the wattmeter is given below.



It consists of two coils:

- Current coil: Measures the current (I)
- Potential coil: Measures the voltage (V)

The average power is given as  $P = VIcos\emptyset$ 

The reading of a wattmeter gives the average power.

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