

Test Four Topics: AC Reactance, Impedance, RC & RL Circuit Analyses, DC Transients, Time Constants

Review materials include:

- Reading Assignments & Homework Problems
- AC Course Notes
- Review Problems including Reactance & Impedance Quizzes

Types of possible exam questions and problems:

- Equivalent Capacitances and Inductances (series & parallel)
- Calculate impedance (resistive, capacitive reactance, inductive reactance)
- Sketch resistor-capacitor and resistor-inductor transient voltage curves
- Determine DC transient voltages & current for simple RC & RL circuits
- Calculate RC & RL time constants
- Application of Ohm's Law to AC Circuits

See Test Four Review Problems (attached)

For the test, you may use:

- a calculator,
- two page of YOUR OWN self-generated review notes

*Note: Phones may **NOT** be used during the exam; NOT as calculators, NOT as Internet connections, NOT for resource retrieval (i.e., electronic copies of notes, files, tables, etc.), NOT for communications. If the exam proctor suspects the use of a phone during the exam, your test will be confiscated and zero points will be assigned.*

Calculate Capacitive and Inductive Reactance

Calculate Complex Impedance

Calculate Series & Parallel Equivalent Impedance for Resistors, Capacitors, Inductors, Impedances

Calculate RC and RL Time Constants

Sketch the current $i(t)$ and voltage $v(t)$ curves for charging and discharging RC circuits.

Sketch the current $i(t)$ and voltage $v(t)$ curves for charging and discharging RL circuits.

1. Calculate Series & Parallel Impedance (See page 6 for Answers)

RCL Series Configuration

$$R = 20 \Omega$$

$$C = 50 \mu\text{f}$$

$$L = 25 \text{ mh}$$

RCL Parallel Configuration

$$R = 220 \Omega$$

$$C = 10 \mu\text{f}$$

$$L = 720 \text{ mh}$$

2. For an RC series circuit with an instantaneously imposed DC step voltage:

Sketch the curves for the charging current i and for the capacitor voltage V_C

3. For a steady state DC, RL series circuit with an instantaneous removal of the DC voltage:

Sketch the curves for the discharging current i and for the inductor voltage V_L

4. For Figure A, calculate the circuit impedance if the excitation frequency is 1800 Hz. (See page 6 for Answers)

5. For Figure B, calculate the circuit impedance if the excitation frequency is 900 KHz. (See page 6 for Answers)

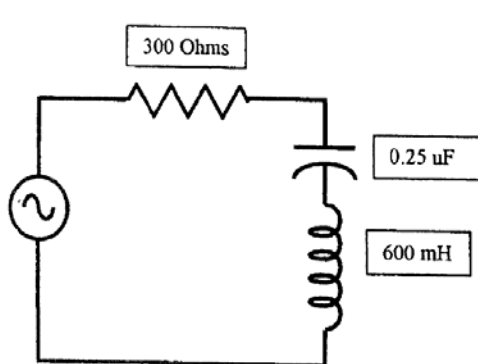


Figure A

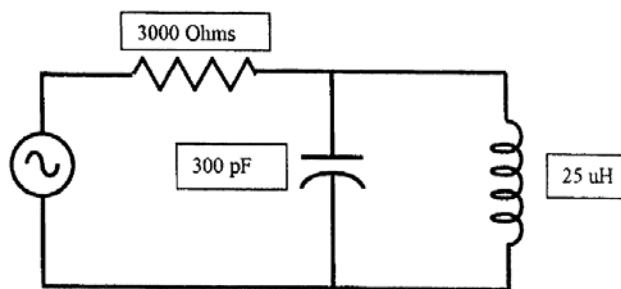


Figure B

6. Additional AC Circuit Analysis Problems

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5-3 Determine the rms current in the $1000\text{-}\Omega$ resistor of the circuit in Fig. 5-22. Is the current inductive or capacitive?

Answer: 6.5 mA; capacitive

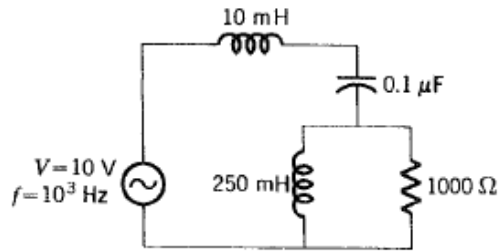


Figure 5-22

5-4 Calculate the equivalent impedance of the circuit in Fig. 5-23 at a frequency of 100 Hz. Repeat for 1000 Hz.

Answer: $0.198 + j2.63 \times 10^6\text{ }\Omega$; $384 + j2.47 \times 10^9\text{ }\Omega$

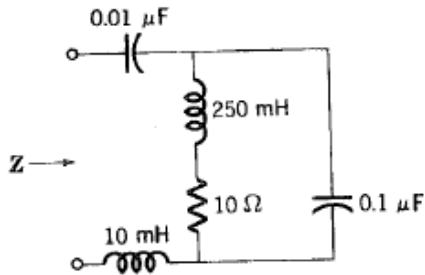
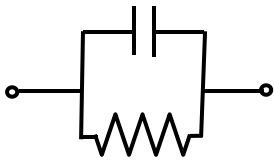


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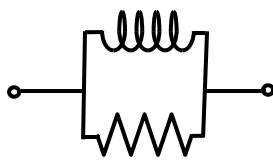
7. Reactance Quiz

8. Complex Impedance Quiz

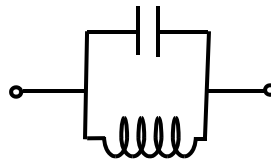
Reactance Quiz



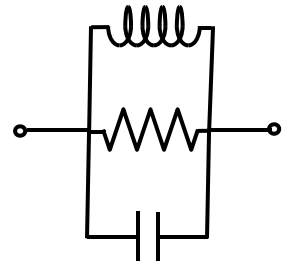
A & E



B & F



C & G



D & H

For each of the above configurations for both $\omega = 0$ and $\omega = \infty$, determine whether or not the resulting circuit appears as either a resistive circuit, a short circuit, or an open circuit. Check the appropriate blank(s).

For $\omega = 0$

Figure

Resistive Circuit

Short Circuit

Open Circuit

A.

B.

C.

D.

For $\omega = \infty$

Figure

Resistive Circuit

Short Circuit

Open Circuit

E.

F.

G.

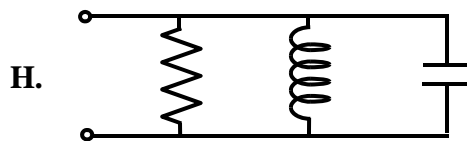
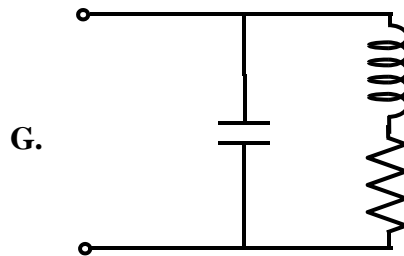
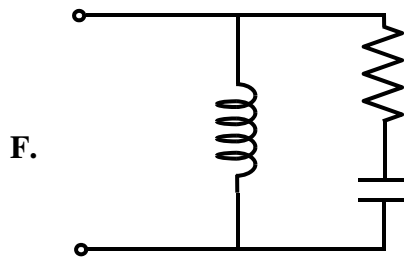
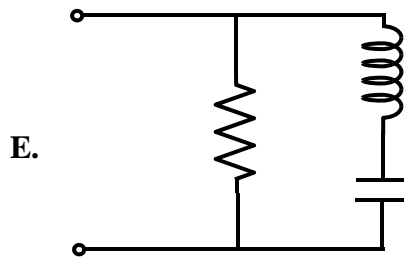
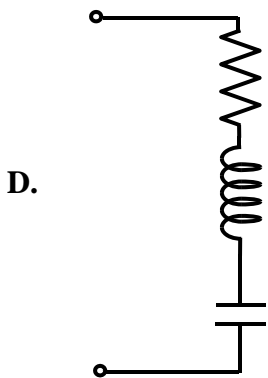
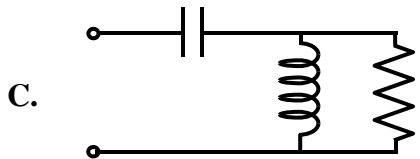
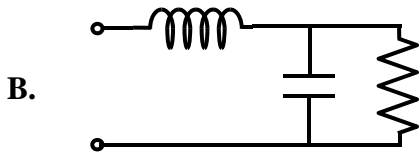
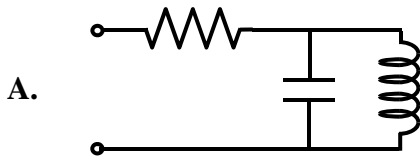
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Complex Impedance Quiz

Devise formulas for each of the complex impedance configurations using R , X_C , and X_L .

Hint: Impedances in series add, i.e., $Z = Z_1 + Z_2$

Two impedances in parallel equal the “*product over the sum*”, i.e. $Z = \frac{Z_1 Z_2}{Z_1 + Z_2}$



RC & RL Charging and Discharging Curves

http://hades.mech.northwestern.edu/index.php/RC_and_RL_Exponential_Responses

RCL Series Configuration $Z = 20 - j40 = 45 @ -63^\circ$

RCL Parallel Configuration $Z = 76 - j7 = 97 @ 3^\circ$

Figure A, Circuit Impedance (1800 Hz) Answer: $Z = 300 + j6428$

Figure B, Circuit Impedance (900 KHz) Answer: $Z = 3000 + j141$

Reactance Quiz

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|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| A. Resistive | B. Short Circuit | C. Short Circuit | D. Short Circuit |
| E. Short Circuit | F. Resistive | G. Short Circuit | H. Short Circuit |

Complex Impedance Quiz

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|---|--|---|---------------------------|
| A. $R + \frac{X_C X_L}{X_C + X_L}$ | B. $X_L + \frac{R X_C}{R + X_C}$ | C. $X_C + \frac{R X_L}{R + X_L}$ | D. $R + X_C + X_L$ |
| E. $\frac{R(X_C + X_L)}{R + X_C + X_L}$ | F. $\frac{X_L(R + X_C)}{R + X_C + X_L}$ | G. $\frac{X_C(R + X_L)}{R + X_C + X_L}$ | |
| H. $\frac{1}{Z} = \frac{1}{R} + \frac{1}{X_C} + \frac{1}{X_L} = \frac{X_C X_L + R X_L + R X_C}{R X_C X_L}$ | | $Z = \frac{R X_C X_L}{R X_C + R X_L + X_C X_L}$ | |