

# EE 220/220L Circuits I (Fall 2019) Laboratory Project 13 AC Sinusoidal Circuits

Figure 1 AC sinusoidal steady-state circuits for laboratory

### **Preliminary**

In this laboratory, you will investigate sinusoidal steady-state circuits and the use of impedances and phasors. The function generator is modeled as an ideal voltage source  $v_s(t) = 3.9 \cos(\omega t)$  V, operating at **1.667 kHz**, in series with a source resistance  $R_s = 50 \Omega$ . For the *RL* circuit, model the inductor as an ideal L = 85 mH inductor in series with a resistance  $R_L = 130 \Omega$  (wire resistance and ferrite core losses) and resistor  $R_1 = 680 \Omega$ . For the *RC* circuit, resistor  $R_2 = 680 \Omega$  in parallel with the series combination of resistor  $R_3 = 150 \Omega$  and capacitor  $C = 0.47 \mu$ F will be used.

- 1) Draw the **phasor** equivalent circuits for the *RL* and *RC* circuits shown in Figure 1.
- 2) For each circuit, calculate the equivalent impedance (rectangular format) seen by the ideal voltage source and all labeled **phasor** currents and voltages (polar format w/  $\angle$  in degrees). Show that KVL holds true for *RL* circuit. Then, show that KCL (top center node) holds true for *RC* circuit.
- 3) For each circuit, sketch a single <u>labeled</u> phasor diagram (i.e., polar format/vectors on complex plane) showing **all** the phasor currents and voltages. Put a table next to each diagram summarizing the values of all the phasor quantities.
- 4) Next, for each circuit, draw another **labeled** phasor diagram with all of the phasors rotated **equally** about the origin so that the vector representing  $\overline{V}_{INx}$  is aligned with the positive real axis (i.e., at zero degrees). [Why? We will use  $v_{INx}(t)$  as our <u>reference</u> voltage when taking measurements with the oscilloscope.] Put a table next to each diagram summarizing the values of all the rotated phasor quantities.
- 5) Have the lab instructor/TA check and sign your preliminary before you do the experiment.

### <u>Experiment</u>

- 1) With the function generator connected **directly** to oscilloscope, set up the voltage source  $v_s(t)$ . Adjust oscilloscope so horizontal scale is a large as possible while showing  $\sim 2 \text{ periods}$  of  $v_s(t)$ . Set vertical scale to 1 V/div. Measure & record magnitude, frequency, and period of  $v_s(t)$ . Display maximum, minimum, & RMS of  $v_s(t)$ , save bitmap, print, and put in logbook. Use multimeter to measure RMS source voltage  $V_{S,RMS}$ . Based on the magnitude, what RMS value is expected?
- 2) Set up *RL* circuit shown in Figure 1a. Use multimeter to measure resistor  $R_1$ , RMS current  $I_{s1,RMS}$ , and RMS voltages  $V_{IN1,RMS}$ ,  $V_{L,RMS}$  &  $V_{R1,RMS}$ . Using oscilloscope, display  $v_{IN1}(t)$  (ch. 1),  $v_{R2}(t)$  (ch. 2), and  $v_L(t)$  (use MATH menu: ch. 1 ch. 2). Save bitmap of display, print, label traces, and put in logbook. Assuming  $v_{IN1}(t)$  (reference signal) has a phase angle 0°, take measurements necessary to determine all the phasor currents and voltages (need magnitude & phase, see tips).

**Hints:** Remember current is directly proportional to the voltage across a resistor per Ohm's Law (no phase shift). Source voltage phasor will need to be found by KVL.

3) Set up *RC* circuit shown in Figure 1b. Use multimeter to measure resistors  $R_2 \& R_3$ , RMS currents  $I_{s2,RMS}$ ,  $I_{R2,RMS} \& I_{R3C,RMS}$ , and RMS voltages  $V_{IN2,RMS}$ ,  $V_{R3,RMS}$ ,  $\& V_{C,RMS}$ . Using oscilloscope, display  $v_{IN2}(t)$  (ch. 1),  $v_C(t)$  (ch. 2), and  $v_{R3}(t)$  (use MATH menu: ch. 1 - ch. 2). Save bitmap of display, print, label traces, and put in logbook. Assuming  $v_{IN2}(t)$  (reference signal) has a phase angle 0°, take measurements necessary to determine all the phasor currents and voltages.

Hint: Source current & voltage phasors will need to be found by KCL & KVL.

4) Have your experimental data signed-off before tearing down last circuit.

## Analysis and Conclusions

- How does the measured RMS source voltage  $V_{S,RMS}$  compare to calculated analytic RMS source voltage  $V_{S,calc,RMS} = V_m/\sqrt{2}$ ? What does this say about the multimeter?
- For each circuit, sketch a <u>labeled</u> phasor diagram showing all <u>measured</u> currents and voltages. Put a table next to each diagram summarizing all phasor quantities. Compare with those from step 4) of preliminary. Explain differences between measured and calculated phasors.
- Compare the measured phase of the current through to the phase of the voltages across the capacitor and inductor for the respective circuits. Are they  $\pm 90^{\circ}$  out-of-phase?
- For the *RL* circuit, compute the measured inductor impedance  $\bar{Z}_{L,\text{meas}} = \frac{\bar{V}_{L,\text{meas}}}{\bar{I}_{S1,\text{meas}}} = R_{L,\text{meas}} + jX_{L,\text{meas}}$

and inductance  $L_{\text{meas}} = X_{L,\text{meas}} / \omega$  using the experimentally determined phasor voltages & currents and frequency. How do these compare with the assumed values for  $R_L$  and L? Summarize & discuss results.

• For the *RC* circuit, compute the measured capacitor impedance  $\overline{Z}_{C,\text{meas}} = \frac{\overline{V}_{C,\text{meas}}}{\overline{I}_{R3C,\text{meas}}} = R_{C,\text{meas}} - jX_{C,\text{meas}}$  and capacitance  $C_{\text{meas}} = 1/(\omega X_{c,\text{meas}})$  using the experimentally

determined phasor voltages & currents and frequency. How does this compare with assumed value for *C*? Summarize & discuss results.

### Measuring magnitude and relative phase angles of sinusoidal voltages

- > Options to measure the **magnitude** of sinusoidal signals:
  - a) On oscilloscope, use measurement menu to measure the peak-to-peak voltage  $V_{pp}$ . This works for channels 1 and 2 but NOT for Math. The voltage magnitude  $V_m = V_{pp}/2$ .
  - b) Or, use the cursors (Type Y) menu to measure the peak-to-peak voltage  $V_{pp}$ . This works for channels 1, 2, and Math. The voltage magnitude  $V_m = V_{pp}/2$ .
- > To determine the **phase angle** of signals relative to our reference signal  $v_{IN}(t)$ :
  - a) Use the cursors (Type X) and/or measurement menu to measure the period T of the sinusoidal signals. Remember that one period T is equivalent to  $360^{\circ}$  of phase.
  - b) Use the cursors on the oscilloscopes to measure the *magnitude* of the <u>time</u> offset  $\Delta t_{\text{off}}$  (positive number) between the voltage on channel 2 and/or math "channel" with respect to  $v_{\text{INx}}(t)$  on channel 1. The *magnitude* of the offset <u>angle</u> is  $\phi_{\text{off}} = (\Delta t_{\text{off}} / T) * 360^{\circ}$ .
  - c) Comparing similar points on the voltage waveforms (e.g., zero crossings with positive slopes), if the sinusoidal voltage on channel 2 and/or math "channel" is shifted to the left of  $v_{IN}(t)$  on channel 1,  $\phi_{off}$  is leading (**positive** angle). If the sinusoidal voltage on channel 2 and/or math "channel" is shifted to the right of  $v_{IN}(t)$ ,  $\phi_{off}$  is lagging (**negative** angle).
- Details on measuring phasors are shown in example posted under <u>Labs</u> link on course web page: <u>http://montoya.sdsmt.edu/ee220/handouts/AC\_circuits\_time\_domain\_measurements.pdf</u>.