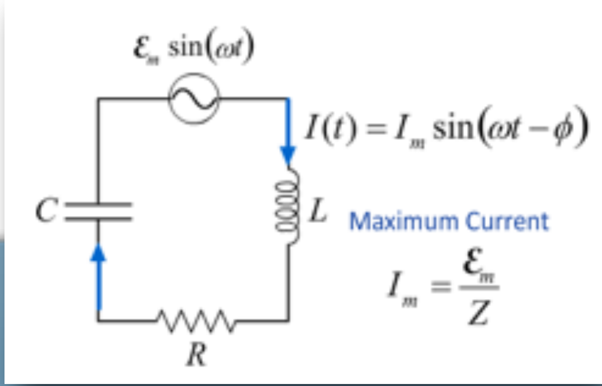


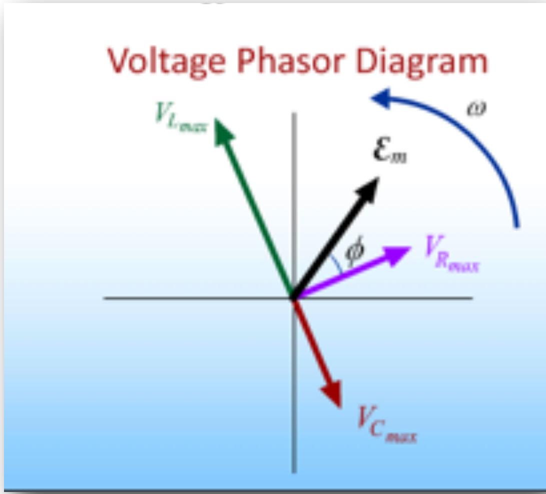
Electricity & Magnetism
Lecture 20

Today's Concept:

AC Circuits

Maximum currents & voltages

Phasors: A Simple Tool



Comments

doesn't a capacitor blow up when current is the wrong way?

How do you know which way the current is going when it starts or what orientation to draw the vectors at the start?

The pre-lectures are so hard to follow that to be quite honest he might as well be speaking klingon. Formulas flash before my eyes as fast as my grades will drop in this class. Please explain these concepts differently than the pre-lecture.

Online help

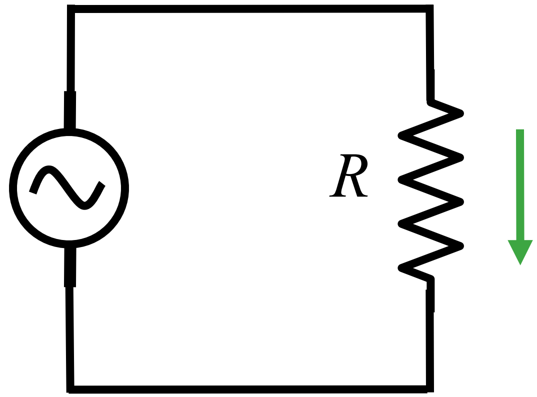
Other videos:

MIT — Look on YouTube

Mechanical Universe, AC Circuits

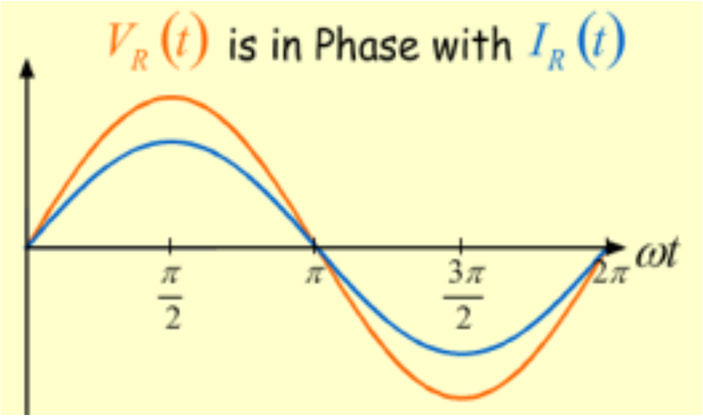
Resistors

$\mathcal{E} = V_{max}\sin(\omega t)$



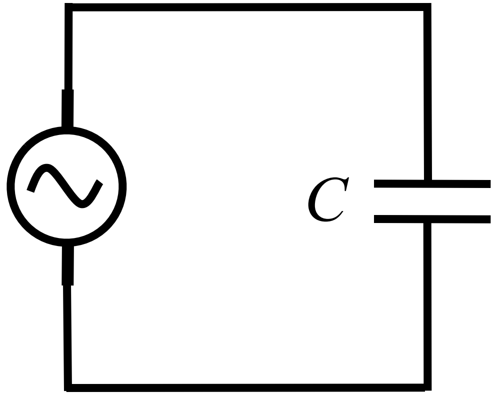
$I = V_R/R = V_{max}/R \sin(\omega t)$

Amplitude = V_{max}/R



Capacitors

$$\mathcal{E} = V_{max}\sin(\omega t)$$



$$Q = CV = CV_{max}\sin(\omega t)$$

$$I = dQ/dt$$

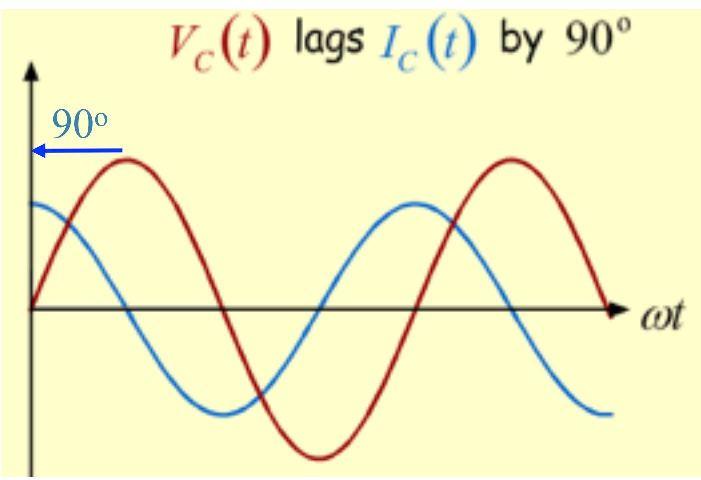
$$I = V_{max}\omega C\cos(\omega t)$$

Amplitude = V_{max}/X_C

where $X_C = 1/\omega C$

is like the "resistance" of the capacitor

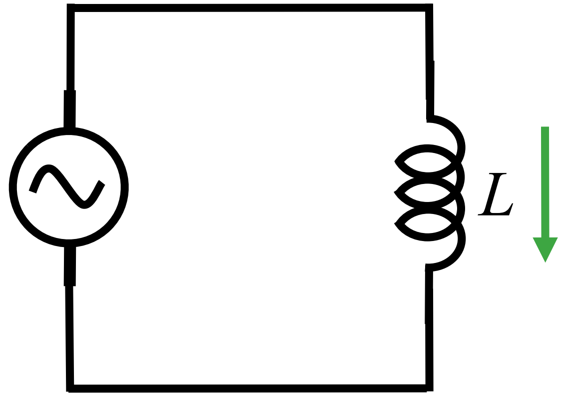
X_C depends on ω



Inductors

$$dI/dt = V_L = V_{max}\sin(\omega t)$$

$$\mathcal{E} = V_{max}\sin(\omega t)$$



$$I = -(V_{max}/\omega L)\cos(\omega t)$$

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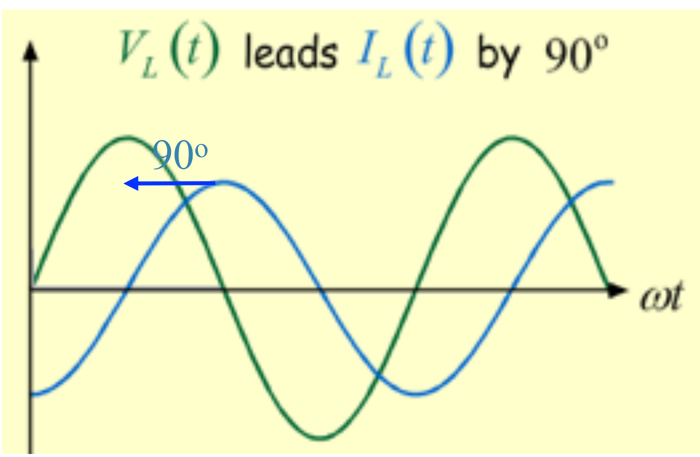

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RL Clicker Question

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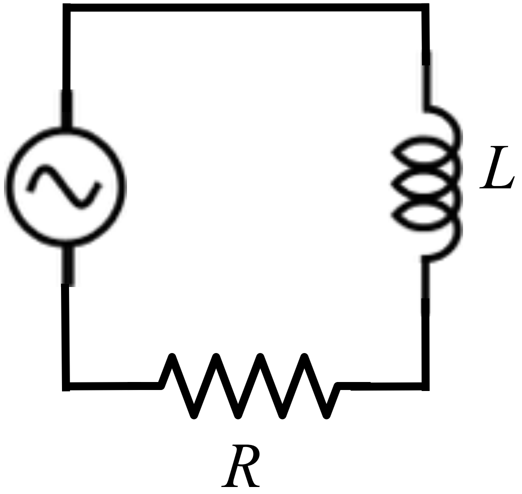


$X_L = \omega L$

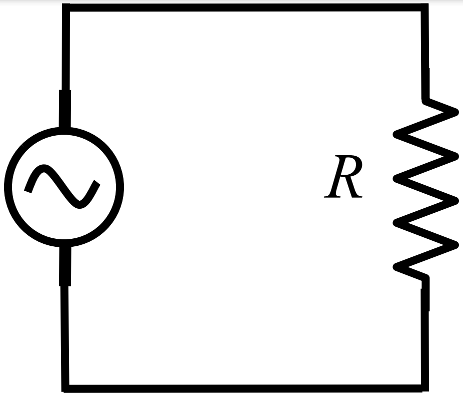
As $\omega \to 0$, so does X_L

As $\omega \to 0$,
~~resistance~~ impedance of circuit $\to R$
current gets bigger

For what driving frequency ω of the generator will the current through the resistor be largest

A) ω large
B) Current through R doesn't depend on ω
C) ω small

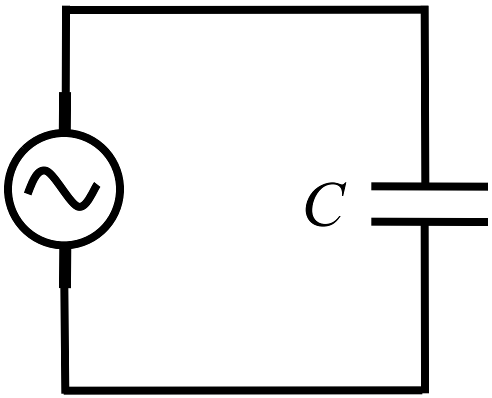
Summary



$I_{max} = V_{max}/R$

V_R in phase with I

Because resistors are simple



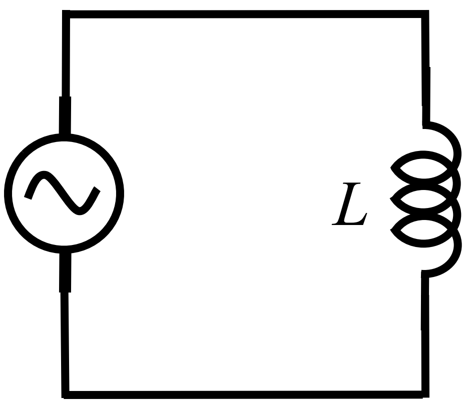
$I_{max} = V_{max}/X_C$

$X_C = 1/\omega C$

V_C 90^o behind I

Current comes first since it charges capacitor

Like a wire at high ω



$I_{max} = V_{max}/X_L$

$X_L = \omega L$

V_L 90^o ahead of I

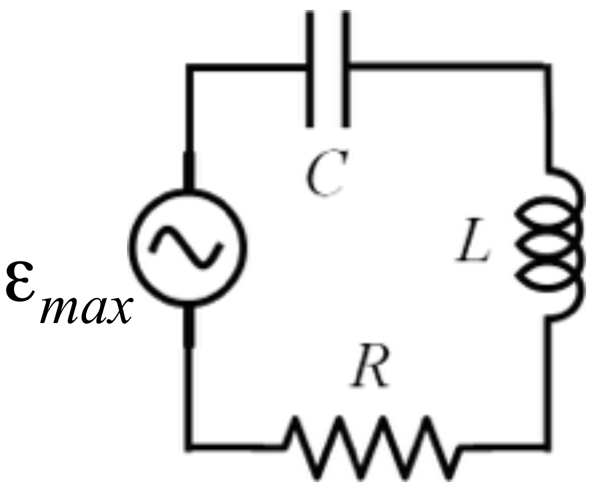
Opposite of capacitor

Like a wire at low ω

Makes sense to write everything in terms of I since this is the same everywhere in a one-loop circuit:

$$V_{max} = I_{max} X_C$$

V 90^o behind I



$$V_{max} = I_{max} X_L$$

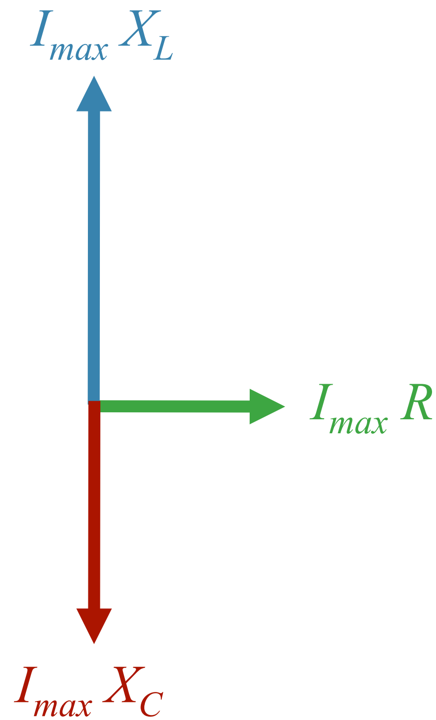
V 90^o ahead of I

$$V_{max} = I_{max} R$$

V in phase with I

"Do you have any fancy-schmancy simulations for to show me?"

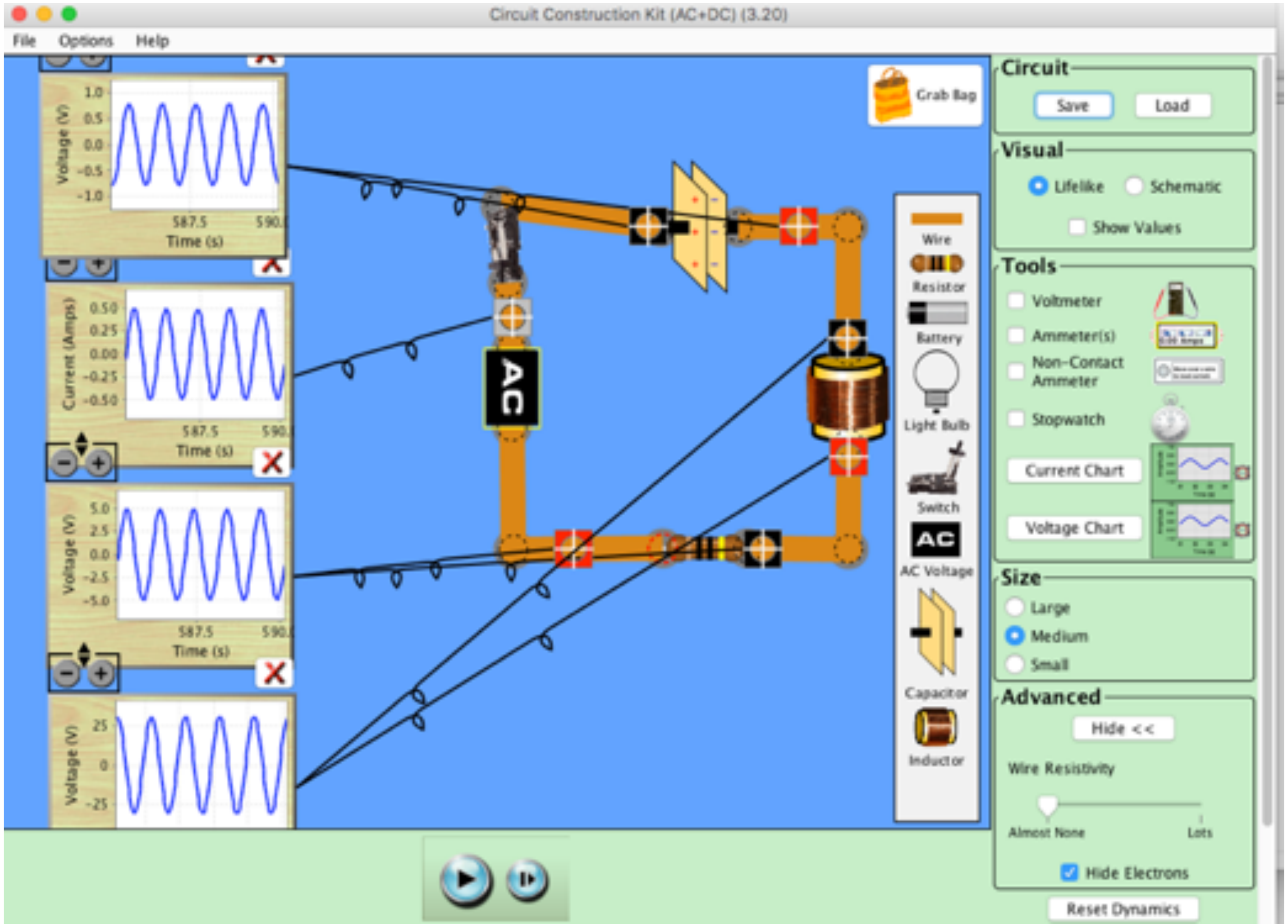
Phasors make this simple to see



Always looks the same.
Only the lengths will change

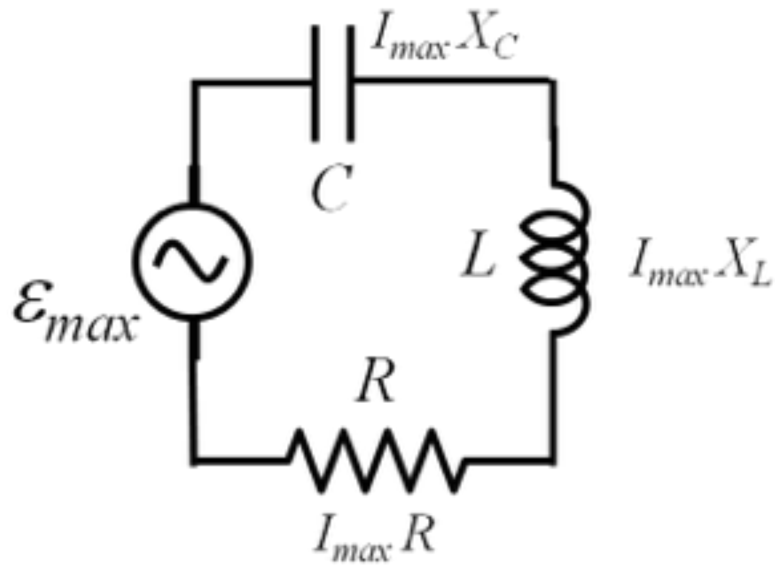
AC Circuit Simulations

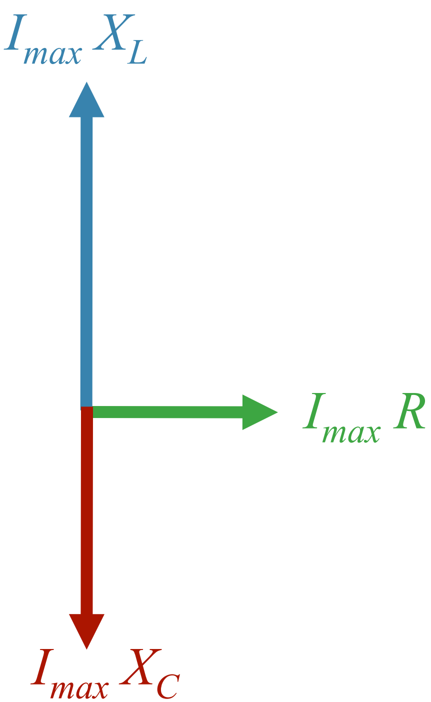
http://www2.epsd.us/robotics/phet/en/simulation/circuit-construction-kit-ac.html

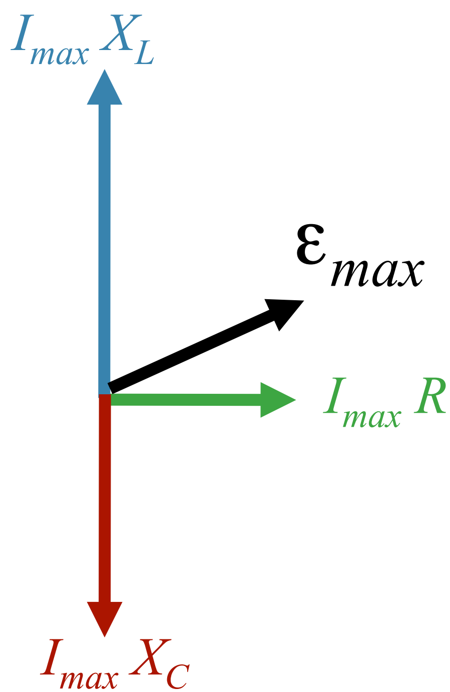


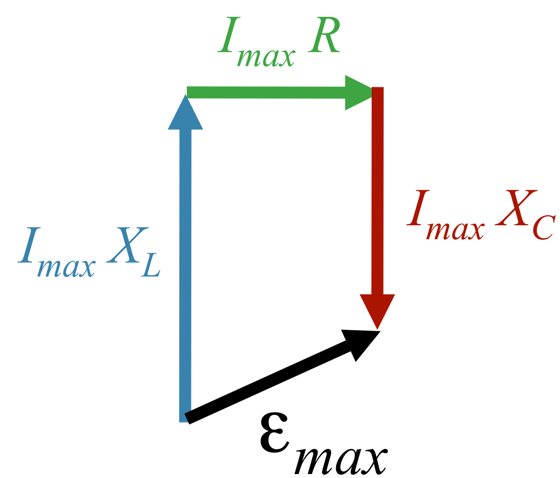
The Voltages still Add Up

But now we are adding vectors:









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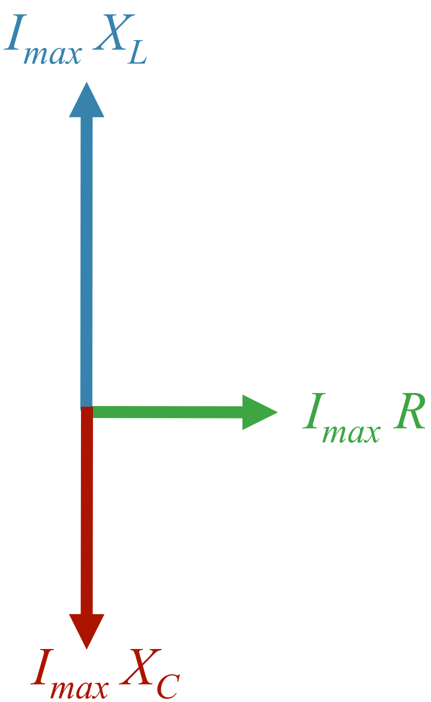

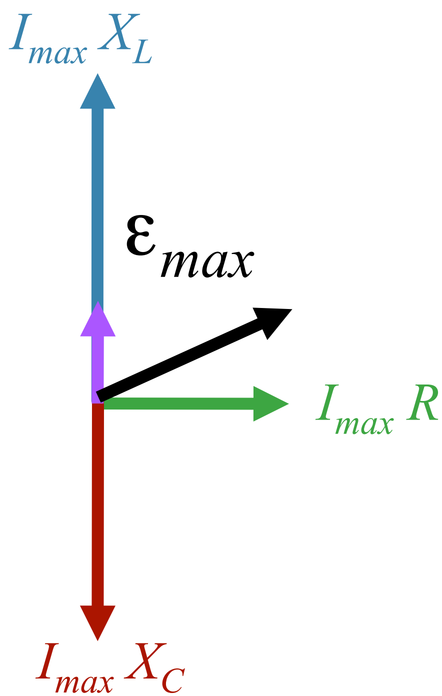

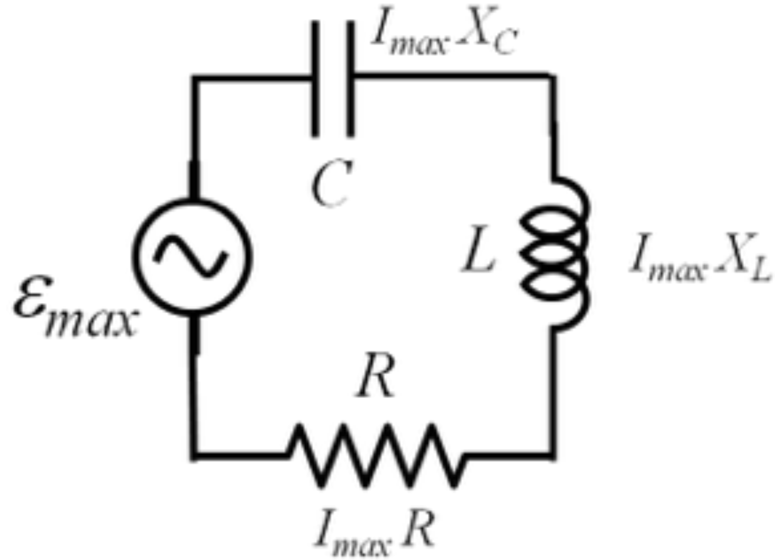

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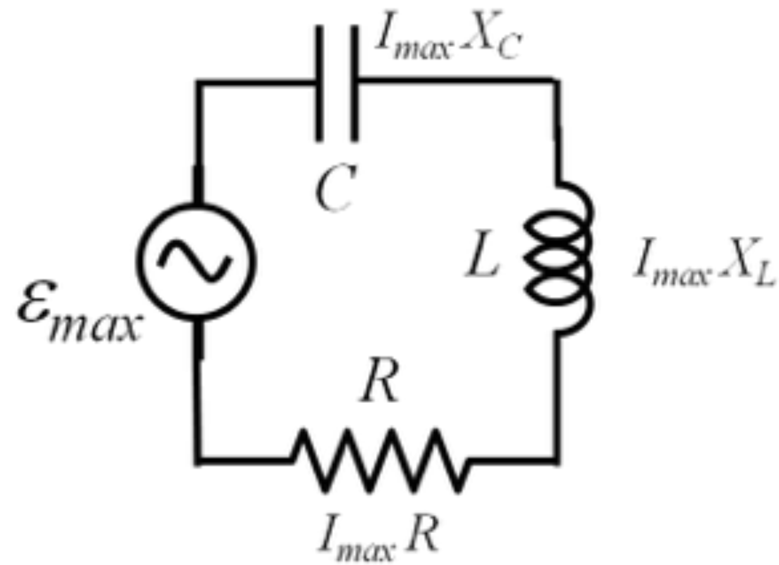

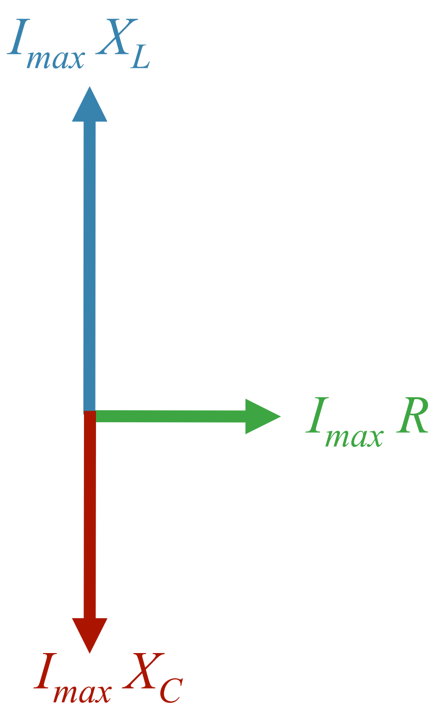

$$\varepsilon_{max} = I_{max} Z$$

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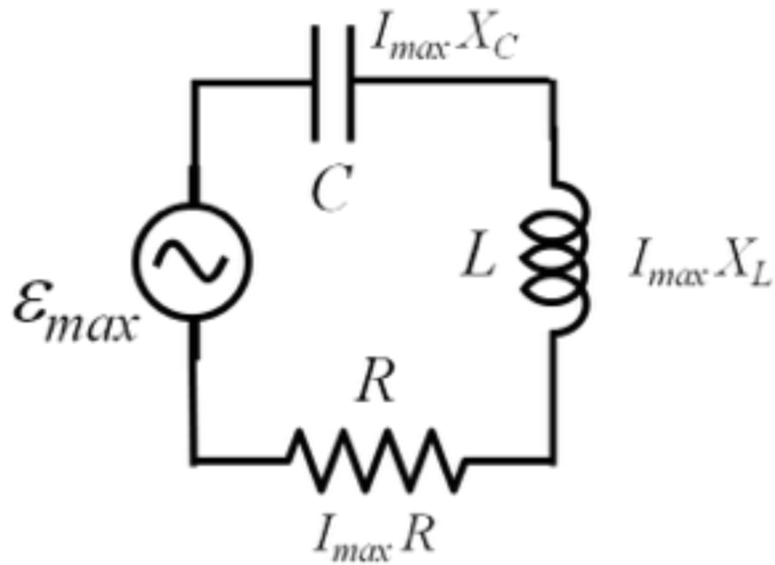

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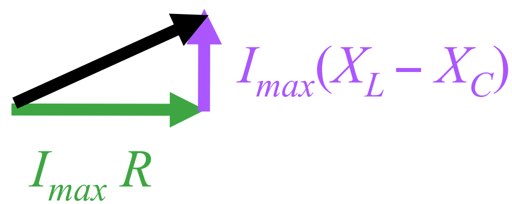

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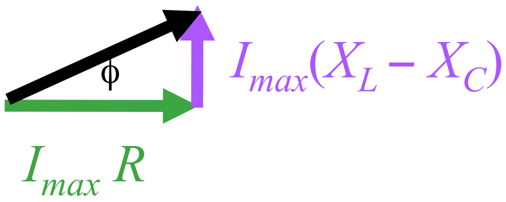
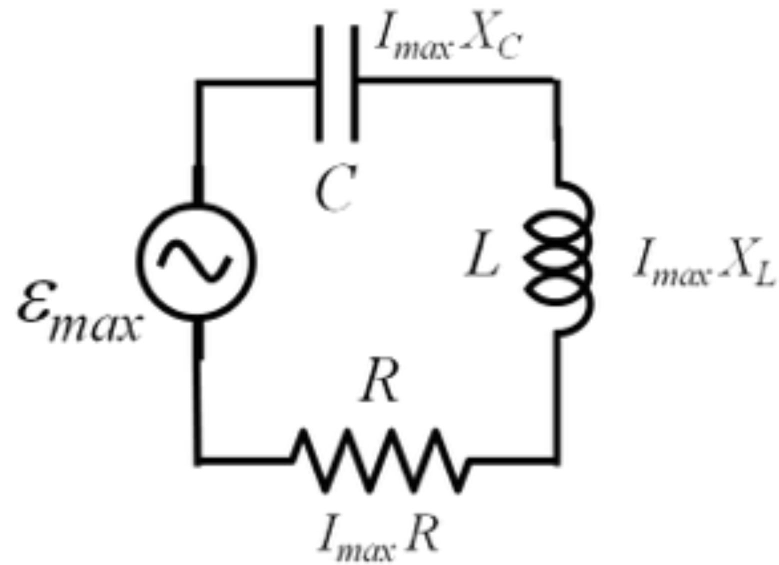
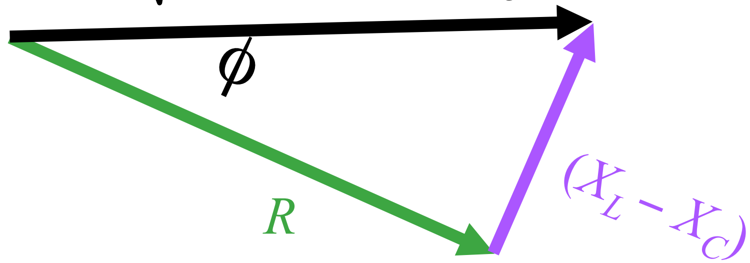




$$Z = \sqrt{R^2 + (X_L - X_C)^2}$$



Impedance Triangle

$$\tan(\phi) = \frac{X_L - X_C}{R}$$

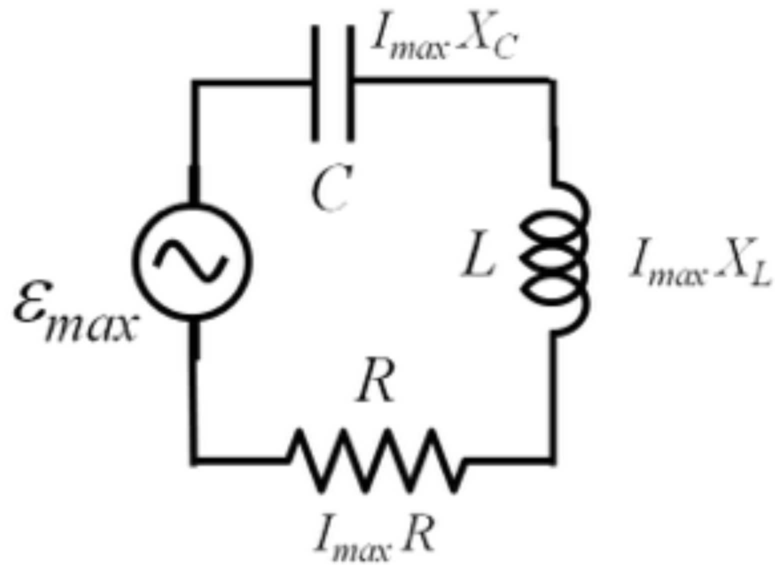
Summary

$$V_{Cmax} = I_{max} X_C$$

$$V_{Lmax} = I_{max} X_L$$

$$V_{Rmax} = I_{max} R$$

$$\varepsilon_{max} = I_{max} Z$$



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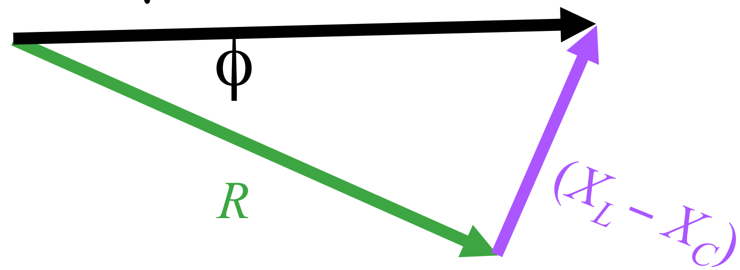
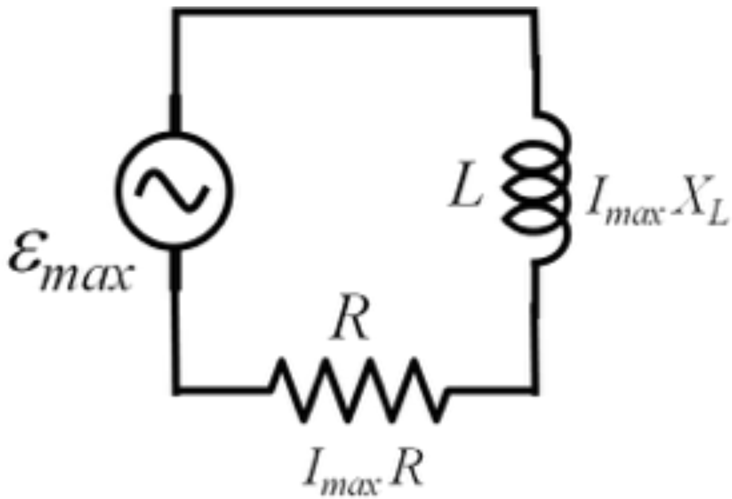
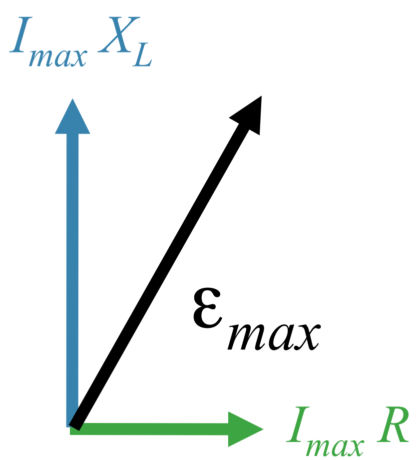


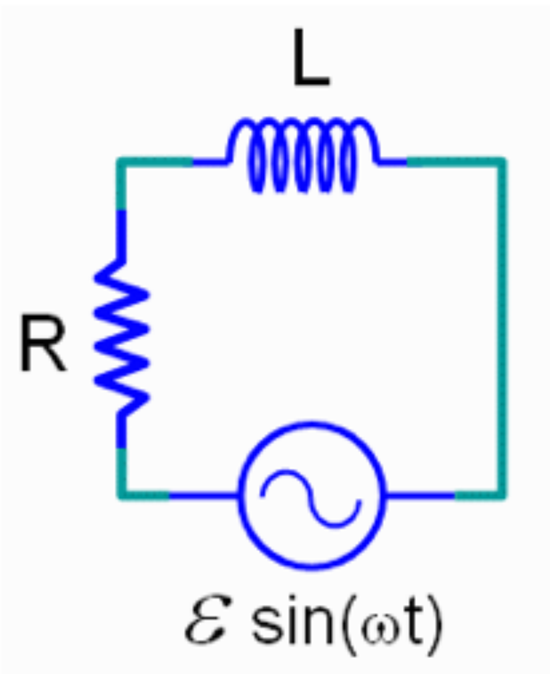
Example: RL Circuit $X_c = 0$





CheckPoint 2

2) A RL circuit is driven by an AC generator as shown in the figure.



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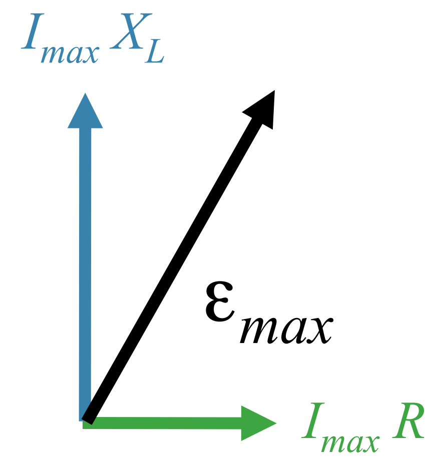


The voltages across the resistor and generator are ____________________.

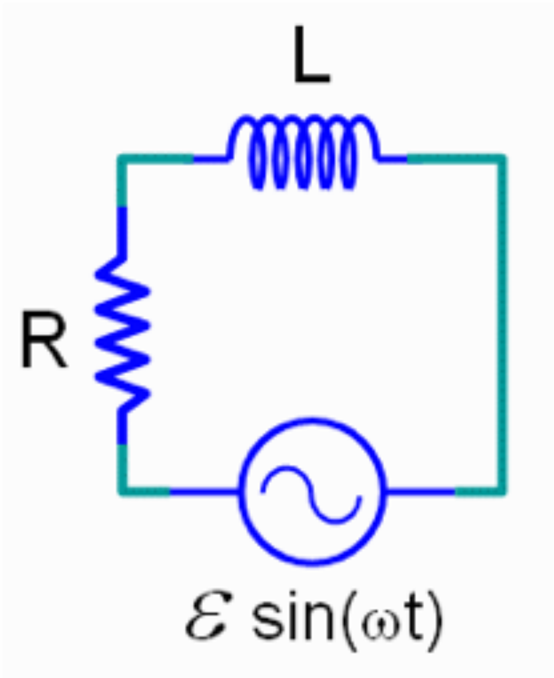
A ○ always out of phase

B ○ always in phase

C ○ sometimes in phase and sometimes out of phase

CheckPoint 4

A RL circuit is driven by an AC generator as shown in the figure.



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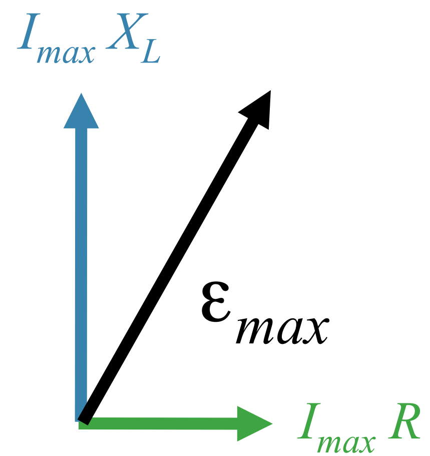

The voltages across the resistor and the inductor are ________________.

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B ○ always in phase

C ○ sometimes in phase and sometimes out of phase

CheckPoint 6

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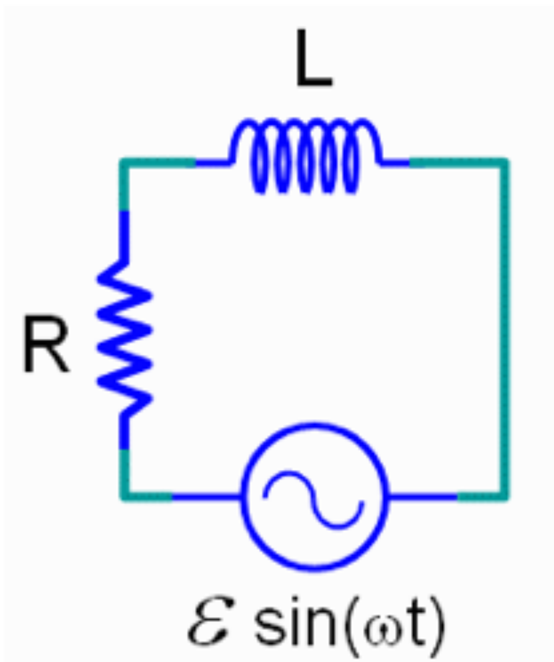
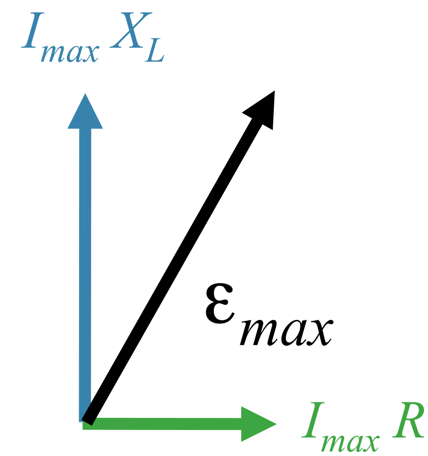


The CURRENT is THE CURRENT



ϕ is the phase between generator and current

6) The phase difference between the CURRENT through the resistor and inductor ____

A ○ is always zero

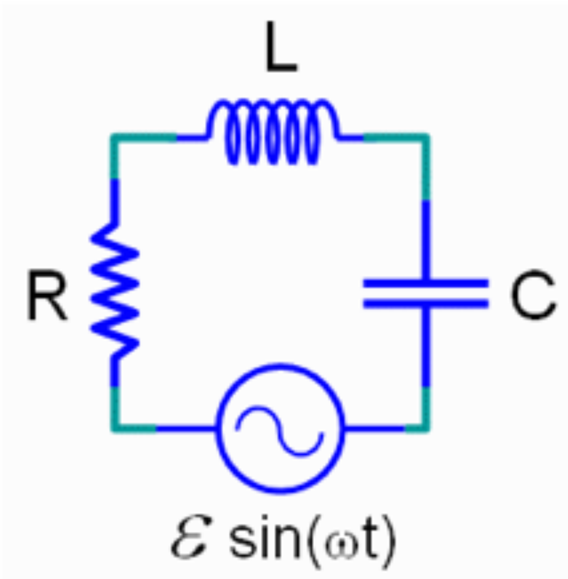
B ○ is always 90°

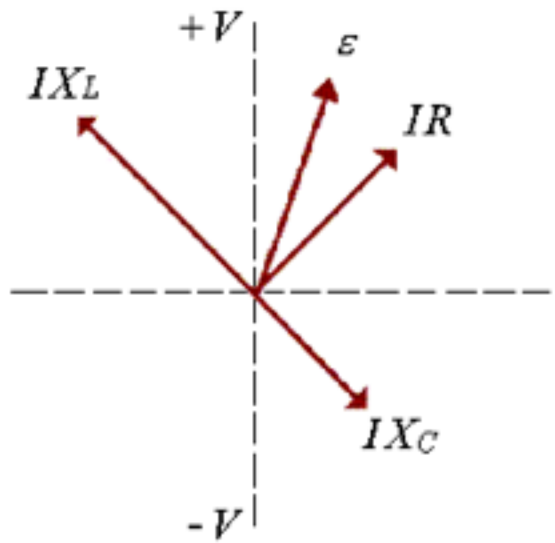
C ○ depends on the value of L and R

D ○ depends on L, R and the generator voltage

CheckPoint 8

A driven RLC circuit is represented by the phasor diagram below.



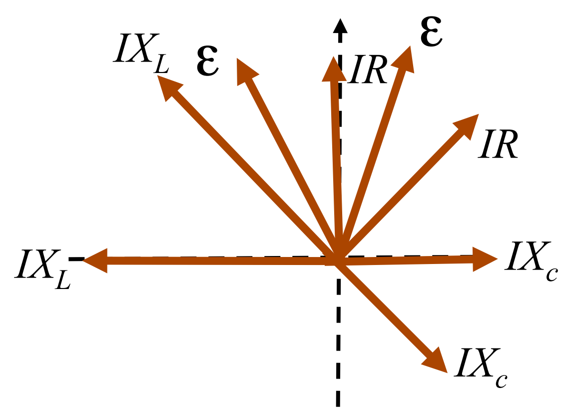


The vertical axis of the phasor diagram represents voltage. When the current through the circuit is maximum, what is the potential difference across the inductor?

A ○ $V_L = 0$

B ○ $V_L = V_{Lmax}/2$

C ○ $V_L = V_{Lmax}$



What does the voltage phasor diagram look like when the current is a maximum?

CheckPoint 10

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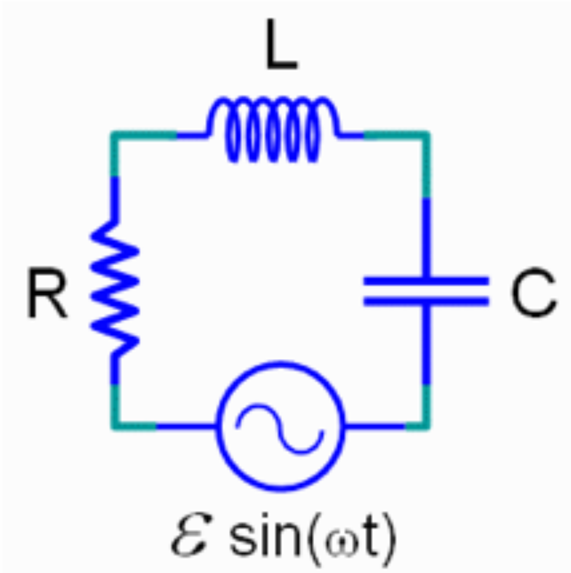

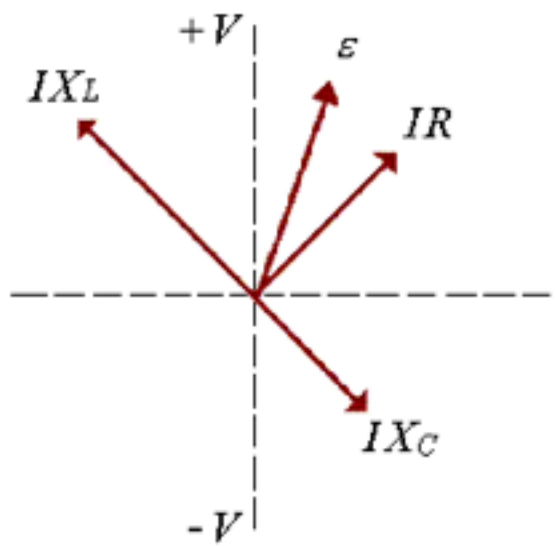

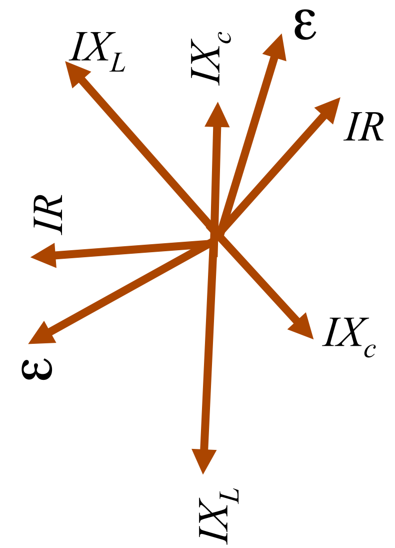

When the capacitor is fully charged, what is the magnitude of the voltage across the inductor?

A ○ $V_L = 0$

B ○ $V_L = V_{Lmax}/2$

C ○ $V_L = V_{Lmax}$

What does the voltage phasor diagram look like when the capacitor is fully charged?

CheckPoint 12

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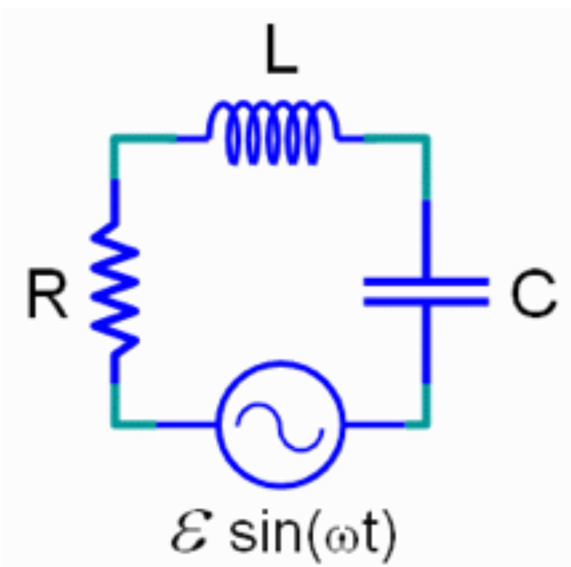
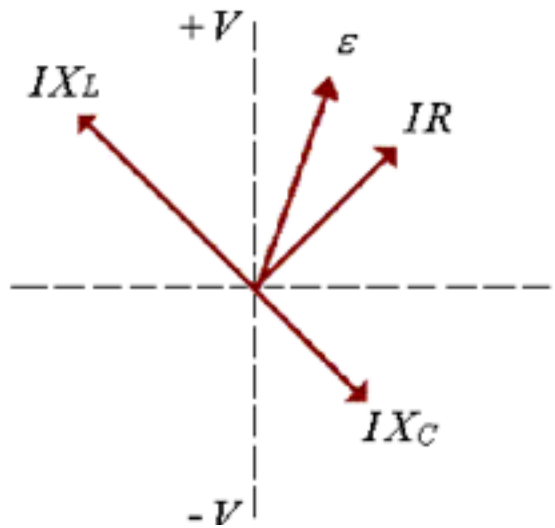
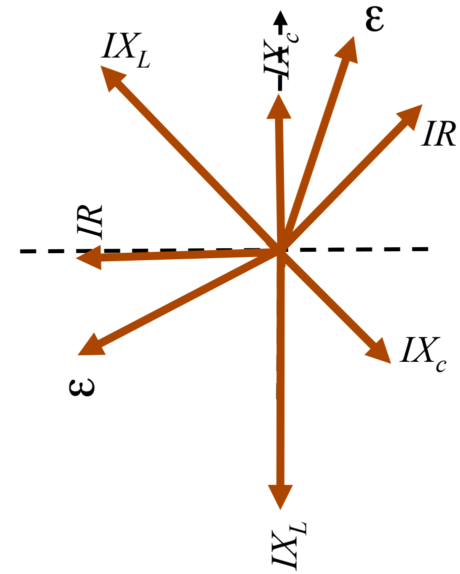






12) When the voltage across the capacitor is at its positive maximum, $V_C = +V_{Cmax}$, what is the voltage across the inductor?

A ○ $V_L = 0$

B ○ $V_L = V_{Lmax}$

C ○ $V_L = -V_{Lmax}$

What does the voltage phasor diagram look like when the voltage across capacitor is at its positive maximum?

Calculation

Consider the harmonically driven series LCR circuit shown.

$V_{max} = 100$ V

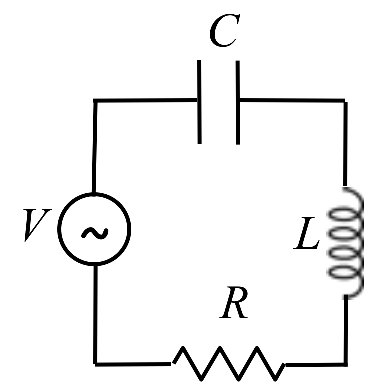
$I_{max} = 2$ mA

$V_{Cmax} = 113$ V

The current leads generator voltage by 45^o

L and R are unknown.

What is X_L, the reactance of the inductor, at this frequency?



Conceptual Analysis

The maximum voltage for each component is related to its reactance and to the maximum current.

The impedance triangle determines the relationship between the maximum voltages for the components

Strategic Analysis

Use V_{max} and I_{max} to determine Z

Use impedance triangle to determine R

Use V_{Cmax} and impedance triangle to determine X_L

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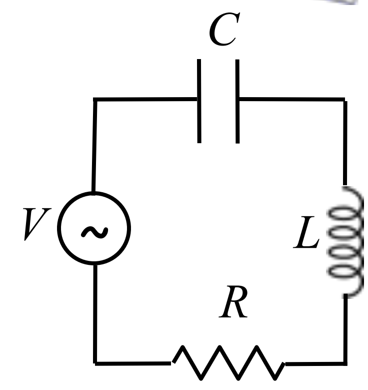


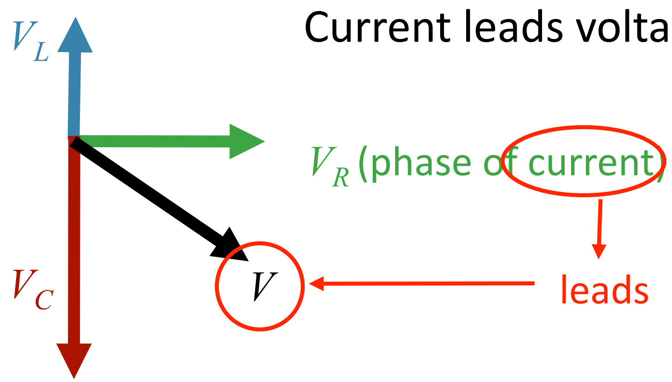
Compare X_L and X_C at this frequency:

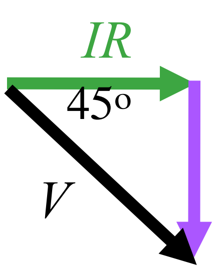
A) $X_L < X_C$ B) $X_L = X_C$ C) $X_L > X_C$ D) Not enough information

This information is determined from the phase

Current leads voltage

$$V_L = I_{\max} X_L$$
$$V_C = I_{\max} X_C$$





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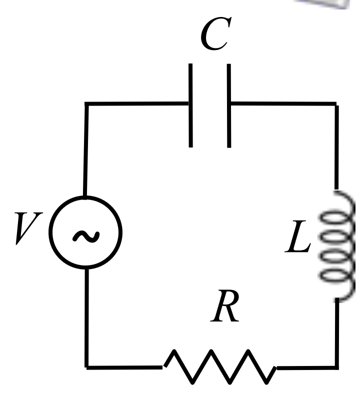

What is Z, the total impedance of the circuit?

A) 70.7 kΩ B) 50 kΩ C) 35.4 kΩ D) 21.1 kΩ

$$Z = \frac{V_{\max}}{I_{\max}} = \frac{100V}{2mA} = 50k\Omega$$

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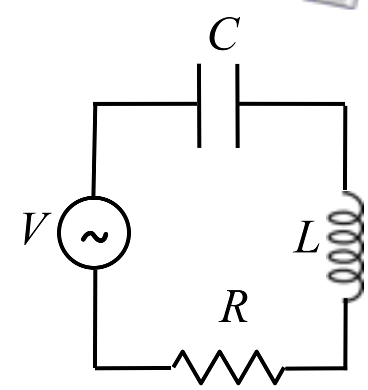


$Z = 50$ kΩ

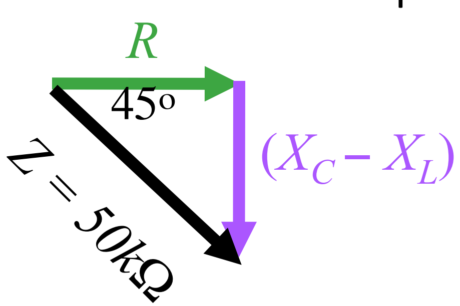
$\sin(45°) = 0.707$

$\cos(45°) = 0.707$

What is R?

A) 70.7 kΩ B) 50 kΩ **C) 35.4 kΩ** D) 21.1 kΩ

Determined from impedance triangle



$$\cos(45) = \frac{R}{Z} \rightarrow R = Z\cos(45^o)$$

$$= 50\text{ k}\Omega \times 0.707$$

$$= 35.4\text{ k}\Omega$$

Calculation

Consider the harmonically driven series LCR circuit shown.

$V_{max} = 100$ V

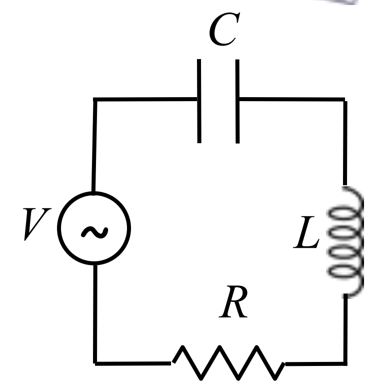
$I_{max} = 2$ mA

$V_{Cmax} = 113$ V

The current leads generator voltage by 45^o

L and R are unknown.

What is X_L, the reactance of the inductor, at this frequency?



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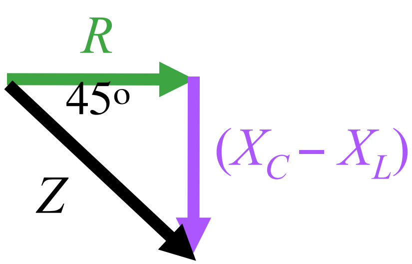
We start with the impedance triangle:



$$\frac{X_C - X_L}{R} = \tan 45° = 1 \rightarrow X_L = X_C - R$$

What is X_C?

$$V_{Cmax} = I_{max} X_C$$

$$X_C = \frac{113}{2} = 56.5k\Omega$$

$$X_L = 56.5 \text{ k}\Omega - 35.4 \text{ k}\Omega$$