
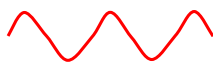
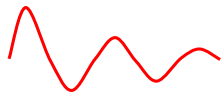


# 8.022 (E&M) – Lecture 17

## Topics:

- Discussion of Exam 2 and make-up exam
- Back to E&M:
  - RCL circuits: recap undriven RCLs, driven RCLs, inductance

## Last time

- What happens when we put inductors in circuits?
  - **RL circuits:** exponential solutions 
  - **LC circuits:** oscillatory solution 
  - **RCL circuits:** damped oscillation 
- RCL circuits are particularly interesting
  - Let's see them in some more detail...

# Undriven RCL circuits: recap

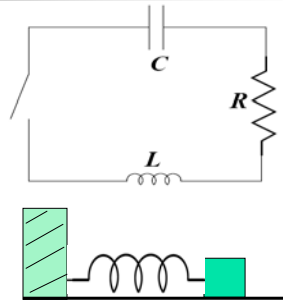
- Kirchoff's second rule:

$$L \frac{d^2 Q}{dt^2} + R \frac{dQ}{dt} + \frac{1}{C} Q = 0$$

- Does it look familiar?

$$m \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} + k_f \frac{dx}{dt} + k_e x = 0$$

- **Mechanics: harmonic oscillator!**



RCL	Mechanics	Interpretation
$L \frac{d^2 Q}{dt^2}$	$ma = m \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2}$	$L \sim m$ : inertia term
$R \frac{dQ}{dt}$	$k_f v = k_f \frac{dx}{dt}$	$R \sim k_f \rightarrow$ friction (damping) term
$\frac{1}{C} Q$	$k_e x$	$\frac{1}{C} \sim k_e \rightarrow$ elastic term due to spring

# Undriven RCLs: solution

- Differential equation governing loop:

$$\frac{d^2 Q}{dt^2} + \frac{R}{L} \frac{dQ}{dt} + \frac{1}{LC} Q = 0$$

- Solve using complex number notation:

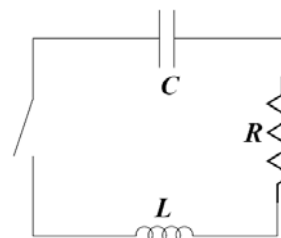
$$\tilde{Q}(t) = e^{\beta t} = e^{-\alpha t} e^{i\omega t}$$

NB:  $\beta = -\alpha + i\omega$  is a complex number, with  $\alpha$  and  $\omega$  real

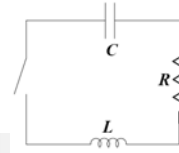
$e^{-\alpha t}$  = damping term,  $e^{i\omega t}$  = oscillatory term

Throw this into the equation and we get a quadratic equation in  $\beta$ :

$$\beta^2 + \beta \frac{R}{L} + \frac{1}{LC} = 0 \Rightarrow \beta = -\frac{R}{2L} \pm \sqrt{\frac{R^2}{4L^2} - \frac{1}{LC}}$$




# RCL circuits: solution




$$\beta = -\frac{R}{2L} \pm \sqrt{\frac{R^2}{4L^2} - \frac{1}{LC}}$$

$$\tilde{Q}(t) = e^{\beta t} = e^{-\alpha t} e^{i\omega t}$$

•  $\beta$  purely real:  $\frac{R^2}{4L^2} - \frac{1}{LC} > 0 \Rightarrow R > 2\sqrt{\frac{L}{C}} \Rightarrow$  

•  $\beta$  purely imaginary:  $\Rightarrow R = 0 \Rightarrow$  undamped LC  $\Rightarrow$  

•  $\beta$  truly complex:  $R > 0$  and  $\frac{R^2}{4L^2} - \frac{1}{LC} < 0 \Rightarrow$

$\alpha = \frac{R}{2L}$  and  $\omega = \sqrt{\frac{1}{LC} - \frac{R^2}{4L^2}}$  

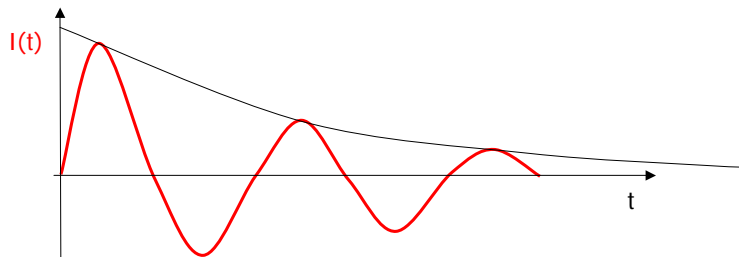
When  $\frac{R^2}{4L^2} - \frac{1}{LC} = 0$  critical damping (fastest way to damp an oscillator).

# RCL in weak damping limit

- Initial conditions:  $Q(0) = Q_0 = A \cos(\phi_0)$  and  $I(0) = 0 = A \omega_0 \sin \phi_0 \Rightarrow A = Q_0; \phi_0 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} Q(t) \sim Q_0 e^{-\frac{R}{2L}t} \cos(\omega_0 t) \\ I(t) \sim \omega_0 Q_0 e^{-\frac{R}{2L}t} \sin(\omega_0 t) \end{cases}$$

- Graphical representation of solution:



# Energy

- Energy of the circuit in the weak damping limit:

$$U_c(t) = \frac{Q^2(t)}{2C} = \frac{Q_0^2}{2C} e^{-Rt/L} \cos^2 \omega_0 t$$

$$U_L(t) = \frac{1}{2} L I(t)^2 = \frac{1}{2} \omega_0^2 L Q_0^2 e^{-Rt/L} \sin^2 \omega_0 t = \frac{Q_0^2}{2C} e^{-Rt/L} \sin^2 \omega_0 t$$

$$\Rightarrow U(t) = U_L(t) + U_c(t) = \frac{Q_0^2}{2C} e^{-Rt/L} (\sin^2 \omega_0 t + \cos^2 \omega_0 t) = \frac{Q_0^2}{2C} e^{-Rt/L}$$

- Since  $Q_0^2/2C$  = total energy stored initially in the system  
 → U decreases exponentially over time: as expected!

# Quality Factor

- Definition 1: the quality factor measures how many times the circuit oscillates before it loses a certain amount of energy

In the time  $\tau = L/R$  the energy decreases by  $\Delta U(t) = 1/e$

$$U(t) = \frac{Q_0^2}{2C} e^{-Rt/L}$$

The oscillation is  $\omega\tau$  radians  $\Rightarrow Q = \omega\tau = \frac{\omega L}{R}$

- Definition 2: the quality factor measures the ratio between energy stored (in C and L) and average power dissipated (in R)

For an oscillation with frequency  $\omega \Rightarrow Q = \omega \frac{\text{Energy stored}}{\langle \text{Power} \rangle} = \omega \frac{LI_0^2/2}{RI_0^2/2} = \frac{\omega L}{R}$

- Q factor can be defined for any system that creates vibrations.
  - Acoustics: Q of a tuning fork is much higher than the Q of a table...

Today's goal:

## Driven RCL circuits

-  is an AC e.m.f.
- AC voltage supplied to the circuit:

$$emf(t) = V_0 \cos \omega t$$

- Convenient assumption:

$$V(t) = \text{Re}[\tilde{V}(t)] \quad \text{with} \quad \tilde{V}(t) = V_0 e^{i\omega t}$$

- NB:  $V_0$  is purely real!
- How to solve this? Just generalize what we used for DC!
  - Sum of voltage drops in loop is equal to emf (Kirchoff #2)

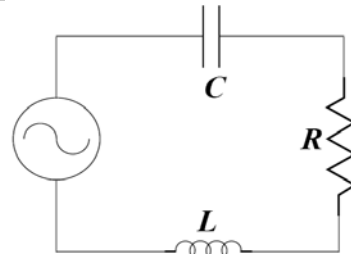
$$V_{emf}(t) = V_R(t) + V_C(t) + V_L(t)$$

$$\tilde{V}_{emf}(t) = \tilde{V}_R(t) + \tilde{V}_C(t) + \tilde{V}_L(t)$$

- The same current must pass through every circuit element

$$I(t) = I_R(t) = I_C(t) = I_L(t)$$

$$\tilde{I}(t) = \tilde{I}_R(t) = \tilde{I}_C(t) = \tilde{I}_L(t)$$

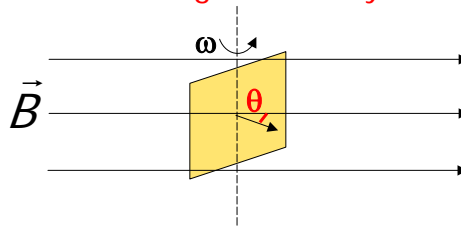


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## AC current

- Consider a  $B$  constant in magnitude and a loop rotating around its axis with angular velocity  $\omega$



- If  $S$  is the area of the loop:  $\int_S \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{a} = BS \cos \theta = BS \cos \omega t$

- Faraday:

$$|e.m.f.| = \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (BS \cos \omega t) = \frac{\omega}{c} BS \sin \omega t$$

- This is how AC power is generated. In U.S.:  $\nu=60 \text{ Hz} \rightarrow \omega=377$

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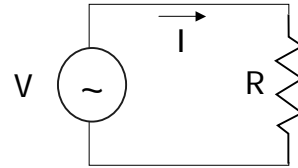
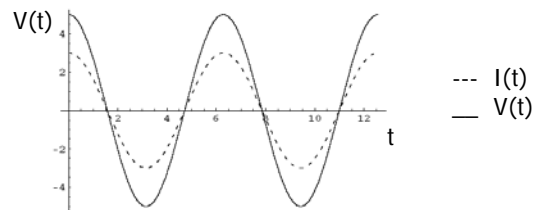
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## AC emf + resistor R

- Ohm's law holds for AC too:

$$V(t) = V_R(t) = I(t)R$$

- Let's plot  $I(t)$  and  $V(t)$  on the same graph:



- In a resistor the voltage and the current are in phase  
(peak voltage occurs at the same time as peak current)

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## Reminder: phasor notation

Any complex number  $z = x + i y$  with  $i = \sqrt{-1}$   
can always be represented as the product of a real number (magnitude)  
and a complex exponential:

$$\Rightarrow z = r e^{i\theta} \quad (\text{Phasor representation})$$

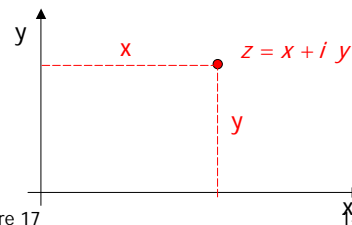
where magnitude  $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$  and phase  $\theta = \arctg \frac{y}{x}$

$$\Rightarrow z = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$$

and given Euler's relation:

$$e^{i\theta} = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$$

which can be easily proved using  
Maclaurin expansion



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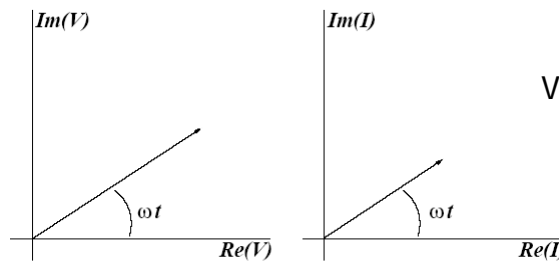
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## AC emf + R with phasors

- The same information can be represented with phasors in the complex plane:

$$\tilde{V}(t) = R\tilde{I}(t)$$



- In a resistor the voltage and the current are in phase  
In phase means that both phasors are at the same angle

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## AC emf + capacitor C

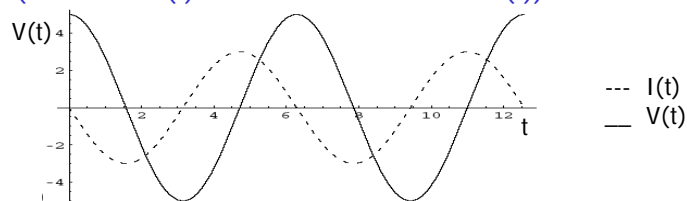
- Connect AC emf across a capacitor C:

$$V(t) = V_c(t) = \frac{Q(t)}{C}$$

- Since  $V(t) = V_0 \cos \omega t$  and  $I(t) = dQ/dt$ :

$$I(t) = \frac{dQ(t)}{dt} = -\omega C V_0 \sin \omega t = \omega C V_0 \cos(\omega t + \frac{\pi}{2})$$

- I(t) LEADS V(t) by 90 deg / V(t) lags I(t) by 90 deg  
(maxima in I(t) occur before maxima in V(t))



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## Ohm's law revisited and Impedance

- Relation between  $I(t)$  and  $V(t)$  becomes more obvious when using phasor notation:

$$V_c(t) = V_0 \cos \omega t = \text{Re}[\tilde{V}_c(t)] \quad \text{with} \quad \tilde{V}(t) = V_0 e^{i\omega t}$$

- For the current:

$$I(t) = \omega C V_0 \cos(\omega t + \frac{\pi}{2}) = \text{Re}[\tilde{I}_c(t)]$$

$$\text{with } \tilde{I}(t) = \omega C V_0 e^{i(\omega t + \frac{\pi}{2})} = i \omega C V_0 e^{i\omega t} \quad (\text{remember: } e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}} = i)$$

- Combining complex currents and voltages we can write:

$$\boxed{\tilde{V}(t) = \tilde{I}(t) Z_c} \quad (\text{complex equivalent of Ohm's law})$$

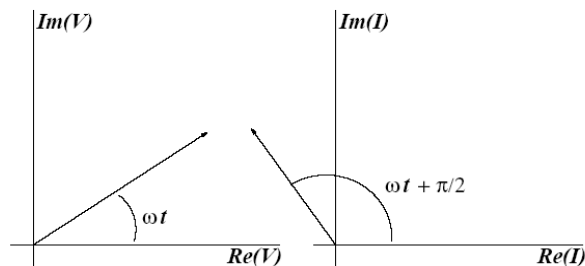
$$\text{where } Z_c \text{ is the impedance of a capacitor: } \boxed{Z_c = \frac{1}{i\omega C}}$$

## AC emf + C: phasor representation

- Given

$$\tilde{V}(t) = V_0 e^{i\omega t} \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{I}(t) = Z_c V_0 e^{i\omega t} = i \omega C V_0 e^{i\omega t}$$

$V(t)$  and  $I(t)$  can easily be represented in the complex plane:



NB:  $I(t)$  is ahead of  $V(t)$  by 90 degrees:  $I(t)$  leads  $V(t)$  by 90 degrees



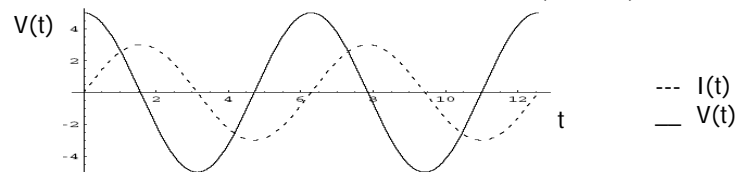
## AC emf + inductor L

- Connect AC emf across an inductor L:

$$V(t) = V_L(t) = L \frac{dI}{dt}$$

- Since  $V(t) = V_0 \cos \omega t$ :

$$\frac{dI}{dt} = \frac{V_0}{L} \cos \omega t \Rightarrow I(t) = \frac{V_0}{\omega L} \sin \omega t = \frac{V_0}{\omega L} \cos \left( \omega t - \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$$



- $I(t)$  LAGS  $V(t)$  by 90 degrees, or  $V(t)$  LEADS  $I(t)$  by 90 degrees  
(maxima in  $I(t)$  occur before maxima in  $V(t)$ )

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## Impedance of inductors

- Using phasor notation:

$$V_c(t) = V_0 \cos \omega t = \text{Re}[\tilde{V}_L(t)] \quad \text{with} \quad \tilde{V}(t) = V_0 e^{i\omega t}$$

- The current is:

$$I(t) = \frac{V_0}{\omega L} \cos \left( \omega t - \frac{\pi}{2} \right) = \text{Re}[\tilde{I}(t)]$$

$$\text{with } \tilde{I}(t) = \frac{V_0}{\omega L} e^{i \left( \omega t - \frac{\pi}{2} \right)} = \frac{V_0}{i\omega L} e^{i\omega t} \quad (\text{remember: } e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}} = (j)^{-1} = -i)$$

- Combining complex currents and voltages we can write:

$$\tilde{V}(t) = \tilde{I}(t) Z_L \quad (\text{complex equivalent of Ohm's law})$$

where  $Z_L$  is the **impedance** of an inductor:  $Z_L = i\omega L$

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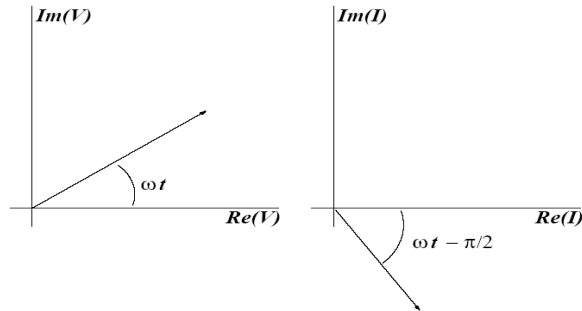
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## AC emf + L: phasor representation

- Given  $\tilde{V}(t) = V_0 e^{i\omega t}$  and  $\tilde{I}(t) = Z_L V_0 e^{i\omega t} = \frac{V_0}{i\omega L} e^{i\omega t}$

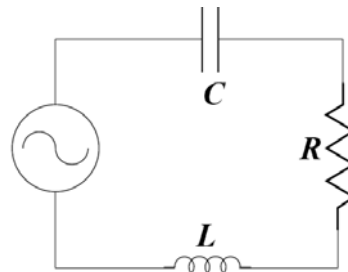
$V(t)$  and  $I(t)$  can easily be represented in the complex plane:



NB:  $I(t)$  is 90 degrees behind  $V(t)$ :  $I(t)$  lags  $V(t)$  by 90 degrees

## Driven RCLs using inductance

- Inductance simplifies the study of driven RCL circuits
- Let's work with complex numbers and use Ohm's and Kirchoff's extensions



$$\tilde{V}_{emf}(t) = \tilde{V}_R(t) + \tilde{V}_C(t) + \tilde{V}_L(t)$$

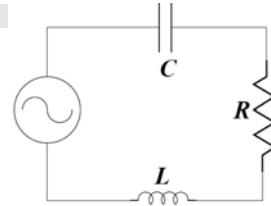
$$\text{Since } \begin{cases} \tilde{V}_R(t) = R\tilde{I}(t) \\ \tilde{V}_C(t) = Z_C \tilde{I}(t) = \frac{1}{i\omega C} \tilde{I}(t) \\ \tilde{V}_L(t) = Z_L \tilde{I}(t) = i\omega L \tilde{I}(t) \end{cases} \Rightarrow \tilde{V}_{emf}(t) = \tilde{I}(t) \left( R + i \left( \omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C} \right) \right) = \tilde{I}(t) \tilde{Z}_{tot}$$

where **total impedance** of the circuit is  $\tilde{Z}_{tot} \equiv R + i \left( \omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C} \right)$

## Driven RCLs: phasor notation

- The complex current can be written as

$$\tilde{I}(t) = \frac{\tilde{V}_{emf}(t)}{Z_{tot}} = \frac{V_0 e^{i\omega t}}{R + i\left(\omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C}\right)}$$



- This can be written as:

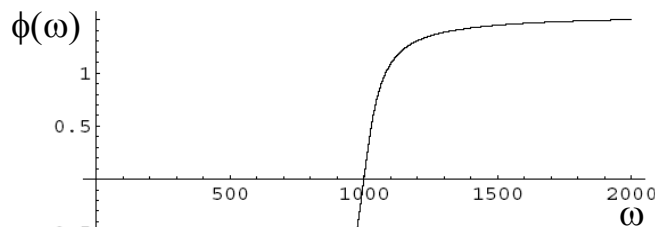
$$\tilde{I}(t) = \frac{V_0 e^{i\omega t}}{Z_{tot}} = \frac{V_0 e^{i\omega t}}{Z_{tot} Z_{tot}^*} Z_{tot}^* = \frac{V_0 e^{i\omega t}}{R^2 + \left(\omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C}\right)^2} \left[ R - i\left(\omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C}\right) \right] = I_0 e^{i\omega t} e^{-i\phi}$$

Remembering that  $e^{-i\theta} = \cos \theta - i \sin \theta \Rightarrow$

$$I_0 = \frac{V_0}{\sqrt{R^2 + \left(\omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C}\right)^2}}$$

$$\text{tg } \phi = \frac{\omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C}}{R} = \frac{\omega L}{R} - \frac{1}{\omega RC}$$

## Dependence of $\phi$ from $\omega$



$$\text{tg } \phi = \frac{\omega L}{R} - \frac{1}{\omega RC}$$

NB:  $\tilde{I}(t) = I_0 e^{i\omega t} e^{-i\phi}$

→ high  $\omega$ : I lags voltage by  $90^\circ$

→ low  $\omega$ : I leads voltage by  $90^\circ$

## AC motor (H26)

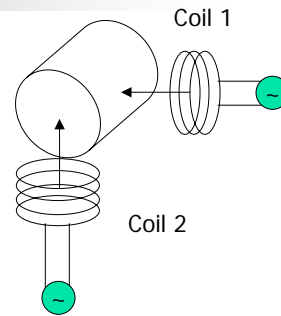
- 2 RL circuits driven by 60 Hz AC voltage

- Coil 1:  $R=2.3 \Omega$ ,  $L=1.5\text{mH}$
- Coil 2:  $R=2.5 \Omega$ ,  $L=31 \text{ mH}$

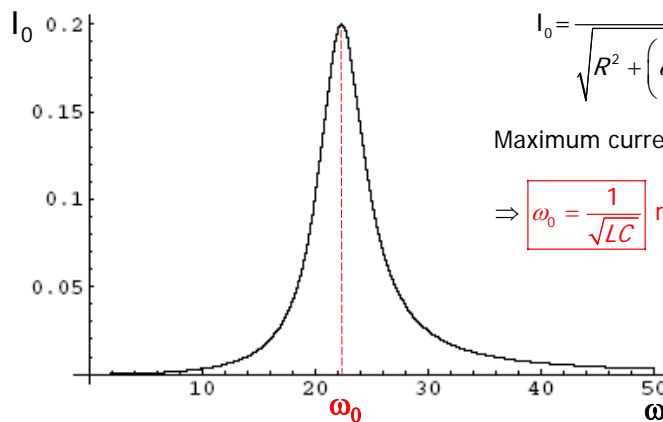
- What is the  $\Delta\phi$  between the 2 currents?

- $Z_1=R_1+i\omega L_1=2.3+i 377 1.5 10^{-3}$
- $Z_2=R_2+i\omega L_2=2.5+i 377 31 10^{-3}$   
 $\rightarrow \Delta\phi=64 \text{ degrees}$

- The difference in phase will create a rotating B field  $\rightarrow$  Eddie currents in the metal can will make it rotate!



## Dependence of $I_0$ from $\omega$



$$I_0 = \frac{V_0}{\sqrt{R^2 + \left(\omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C}\right)^2}}$$

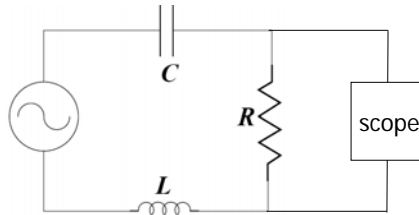
Maximum current when  $\omega L = \frac{1}{\omega C}$

$$\Rightarrow \omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}} \text{ resonance frequency}$$

## RCL resonance (Demo L8)

- RCL circuit driven with variable frequency  $\omega$

- $L=50$  mH
- $C=0.3$   $\mu$ F



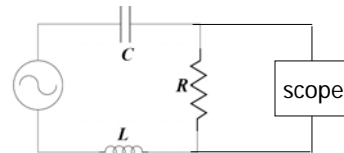
- Measure  $V_R$  on scope and tune frequency to maximize  $V_R$ 
  - What is the expected resonance frequency?

$$\omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}} = 8.2 \times 10^3 \Rightarrow \nu = 1.3 \text{ kHz}$$

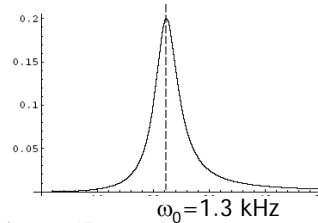
## Demo L8: part 2

- Same RCL circuit driven with variable frequency  $\omega$

- Frequency is driven by a voltage  $V_{in}$
- $L=50$  mH
- $C=0.3$   $\mu$ F



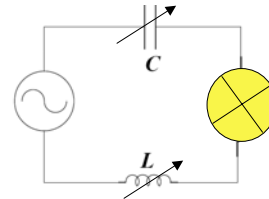
- Display  $V_R$  vs  $\omega$  on the scope while sweeping  $V_{in}$ 
  - What do you expect to see?



## Resonant RCL with light bulb (L6)

- RCL circuit driven by AC voltage

- C can be adjusted using set of switches
- L can be adjusted moving the Fe core inside a solenoid



- For each setting of C we can find an L that turn on the light bulb

- What is that L?

$$L = \frac{1}{C\omega^2}$$

## Summary and outlook

- Today:

- Undriven RCL circuits
  - Energy stored and quality factor in weak damping limit
- Driven RCL AC circuits
  - Simple solution when introducing complex impedance Z
    - $Z_R = R$
    - $Z_C = 1/(i\omega C)$
    - $Z_L = i\omega L$

- Next Tuesday:

- More on driven RCLs: power, resonances, filters...