

# **ECSE 210: Circuit Analysis**

**Lecture #11:**

**Complex Sources, Phasors**

# Complex Exponential

Maclaurin's expansion of the exponential function is:

$$e^x = 1 + x + \left(\frac{x^2}{2!}\right) + \dots + \left(\frac{x^n}{n!}\right) + \dots$$

Substitute the complex number  $j\theta$  for  $x$ :

$$e^{j\theta} = 1 + j\theta + \left(\frac{(j\theta)^2}{2!}\right) + \left(\frac{(j\theta)^3}{3!}\right) + \dots + \left(\frac{(j\theta)^n}{n!}\right) + \dots$$

$$e^{j\theta} = \underbrace{\left[1 - \left(\frac{\theta^2}{2!}\right) + \left(\frac{\theta^4}{4!}\right) - \left(\frac{\theta^6}{6!}\right) + \dots\right]}_{\cos(\theta)} + j \underbrace{\left[\theta - \left(\frac{\theta^3}{3!}\right) + \left(\frac{\theta^5}{5!}\right) - \left(\frac{\theta^7}{7!}\right) + \dots\right]}_{\sin(\theta)}$$

# Complex Exponential

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→ Euler's theorem:  $e^{j\theta} = \cos(\theta) + j \sin(\theta)$

→ Similarly:  $e^{-j\theta} = \cos(\theta) - j \sin(\theta)$

$$e^{j\theta} + e^{-j\theta} = 2 \cos(\theta) = 2 \operatorname{Re}[e^{j\theta}]$$

$$e^{j\theta} - e^{-j\theta} = 2 \sin(\theta) = 2 \operatorname{Im}[e^{j\theta}]$$

→ We can represent a sinusoidal time varying function as the real part of a complex exponential:

$$x(t) = \operatorname{Re}[X_m e^{j(\omega t + \theta)}] = X_m \cos(\omega t + \theta)$$

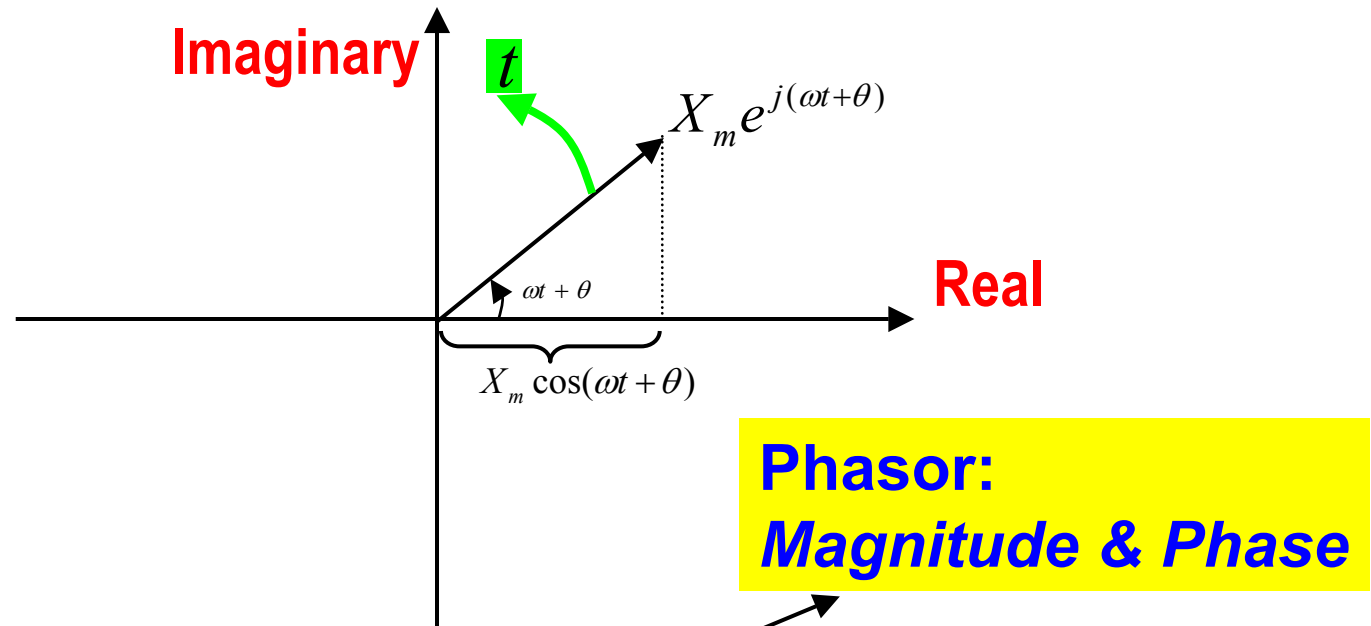
→ Note that:  $X_m e^{j(\omega t + \theta)} = X_m e^{j\theta} e^{j\omega t}$

# Complex Exponential

What is the difference between the following two equations?

$$X(t) = X_m e^{j(\omega t + \theta)} \quad \rightarrow \quad \text{Complex exponential function}$$

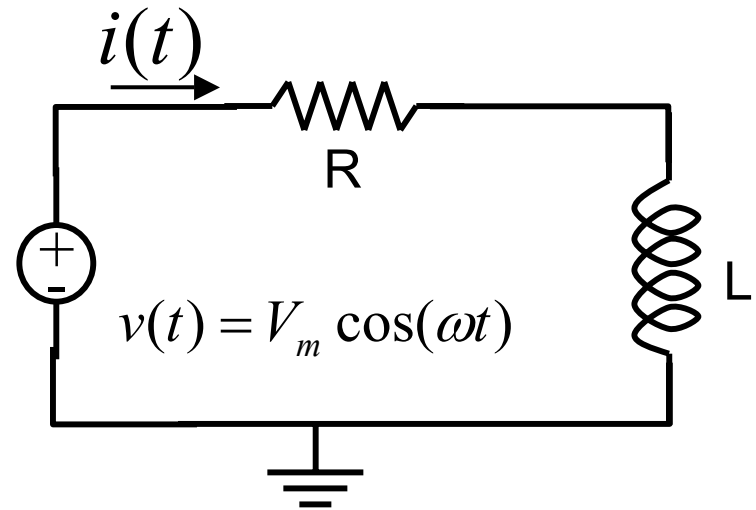
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# Phasor Example

→ Instead of solving this circuit, solve the same circuit but with a **complex exponential input**:



$$v(t) = \mathbf{V} e^{j\omega t}$$

Is this a physically realizable function?

KVL:

$$iR + L \frac{di}{dt} = \mathbf{V} e^{j\omega t}$$

**Exponential forcing function**

$$\mathbf{V} = V_m \angle 0$$

**Phasor magnitude & phase**

→ Steady state response has the form:  $i(t) = \mathbf{I} e^{j\omega t}$

# Phasor Example

→ Steady state response has the form:  $i(t) = \mathbf{I} e^{j\omega t}$

Substitute into d.e.   $R\mathbf{I}e^{j\omega t} + j\omega L\mathbf{I} e^{j\omega t} = \mathbf{V} e^{j\omega t}$

→ Divide by  $e^{j\omega t}$

$$R\mathbf{I} + j\omega L\mathbf{I} = \mathbf{V} \quad \img alt="green arrow" data-bbox="391 571 467 625"/>$$

Time-varying exponential has disappeared but that is OK. We know that for linear circuits all signals have the same form (that of the input).

$$\mathbf{I} = \frac{\mathbf{V}}{R + j\omega L} = I_m \angle \phi = \frac{V_m}{\sqrt{R^2 + \omega^2 L^2}} \angle -\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\omega L}{R}\right)$$

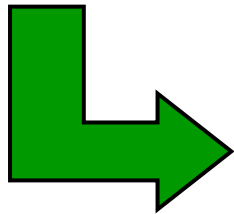
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Frequency domain

$$i(t) = \mathbf{I} e^{j\omega t} = \frac{V_m}{\sqrt{R^2 + \omega^2 L^2}} e^{-j \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\omega L}{R}\right)} e^{j\omega t}$$

Time domain

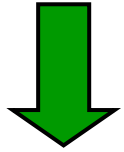


Is this a physically realizable function?

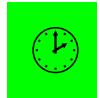
→ Try the same circuit, but now with the input  $v(t) = \mathbf{V} e^{-j\omega t}$

# Phasor Example

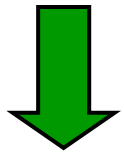
If  $v(t) = \mathbf{V} e^{j\omega t}$



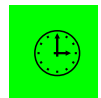
$$i(t) = \mathbf{I} e^{j\omega t} = \frac{V_m}{\sqrt{R^2 + \omega^2 L^2}} e^{-j \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\omega L}{R} \right)} e^{j\omega t}$$



If  $v(t) = \mathbf{V} e^{-j\omega t}$




$$i(t) = \mathbf{I}^* e^{-j\omega t} = \frac{V_m}{\sqrt{R^2 + \omega^2 L^2}} e^{j \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\omega L}{R} \right)} e^{-j\omega t}$$





# Phasor Example

→ Use superposition to find the total response:

Input:   $\frac{1}{2}(\star + \text{clock}) = \frac{1}{2}(V_m e^{j\omega t} + V_m e^{-j\omega t}) = V_m \cos(\omega t)$

Output:

$$\frac{1}{2}(\text{clock} + \text{clock}) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{V_m}{\sqrt{R^2 + \omega^2 L^2}} \left( e^{j\left(\omega t - \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\omega L}{R}\right)\right)} + e^{-j\left(\omega t - \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\omega L}{R}\right)\right)} \right)$$

$$= \frac{V_m}{\sqrt{R^2 + \omega^2 L^2}} \cos\left(\omega t - \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\omega L}{R}\right)\right)$$

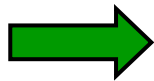
Same as before.

# Phasor Example

→ Therefore:

**If input:**  $v(t) = V_m \cos(\omega t)$  **SINUSOID**

**Then output:**  $i(t) = \frac{V_m}{\sqrt{R^2 + \omega^2 L^2}} \cos\left(\omega t - \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\omega L}{R}\right)\right)$



Note that:

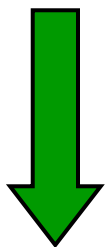
$$v(t) = \text{Re}[\mathbf{V} e^{j\omega t}]$$

$$i(t) = \text{Re}[\mathbf{I} e^{j\omega t}]$$

# Summary

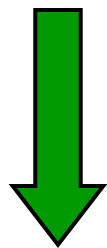
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Time domain input:  $v(t) = V_m \cos(\omega t + \theta)$



Find complex exponential forcing function  $v(t)$   
such that:  $\text{Re}[\mathbf{V} e^{j\omega t}] = v(t)$

**Complex forcing function:**  $v(t) = V_m e^{j(\omega t + \theta)} = (V_m \angle \theta) e^{j\omega t} = \mathbf{V} e^{j\omega t}$



Find the response  $i(t)$  to  $v(t)$

**Time domain response due to  $v(t)$  is:**

$$i(t) = \text{Re}[\mathbf{I} e^{j\omega t}]$$

# Summary

Find the phasor of a time domain signal:

$$v(t) = V_m \cos(\omega t + \theta)$$

- Complex exponential function:

$$v(t) = V_m e^{j(\omega t + \theta)} = [V_m e^{j\theta}] e^{j\omega t} = \mathbf{V} e^{j\omega t}$$

$\mathbf{V}$  is the phasor of  $v(t) = V_m \cos(\omega t + \theta)$

$$\mathbf{V} = V_m \angle \theta \quad \text{PHASOR}$$

$$v(t) = \text{Re}[\mathbf{V} e^{j\omega t}]$$

- Note:  $\mathbf{V}$  does not include the frequency term  $e^{j\omega t}$ .  
The frequency of the steady state response is the same as that of the input in a linear circuit.

# Key Points

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1. Solving systems using phasors is called phasor analysis, or frequency domain analysis.
2. Differential equations driven by sinusoidal forcing functions in the time domain are converted to complex algebraic equations in the frequency domain.
3.  $v(t)$  represents a voltage in the time domain. The phasor  $V$  represents the voltage in the frequency domain.
  1. The phasor  $V$  contains only the magnitude and phase information of  $v(t)$ . The frequency  $\omega$  is implicit to the representation.
  2. It would be nice to be able to write the circuit equations *directly* in the phasor/frequency domain.

# Circuit Elements in the Frequency Domain

## The resistor R

→ Time domain:

$$v(t) = Ri(t)$$

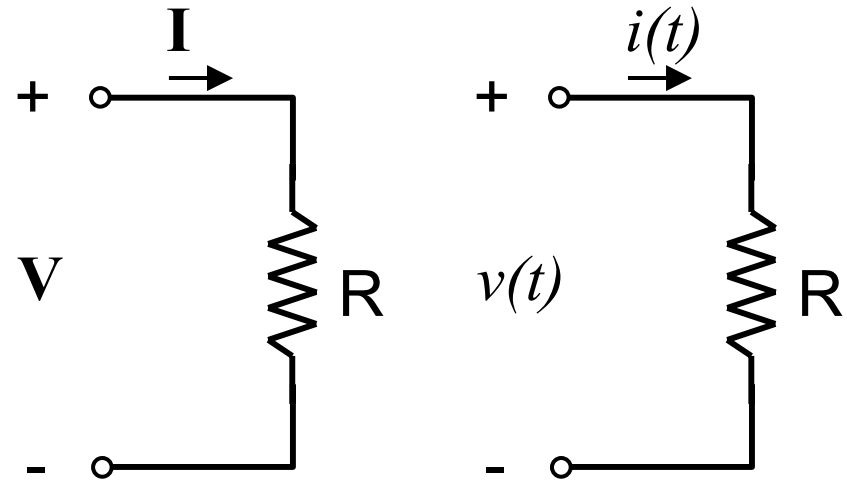
→ Complex exponential forcing function:

$$v(t) = V_m e^{j(\omega t + \theta_v)} = [V_m \angle \theta_v] e^{j\omega t} = \mathbf{V} e^{j\omega t}$$

$$i(t) = I_m e^{j(\omega t + \theta_i)} = [I_m \angle \theta_i] e^{j\omega t} = \mathbf{I} e^{j\omega t}$$

$$v(t) = Ri(t) \quad \longrightarrow \quad \mathbf{V} e^{j\omega t} = R\mathbf{I} e^{j\omega t}$$

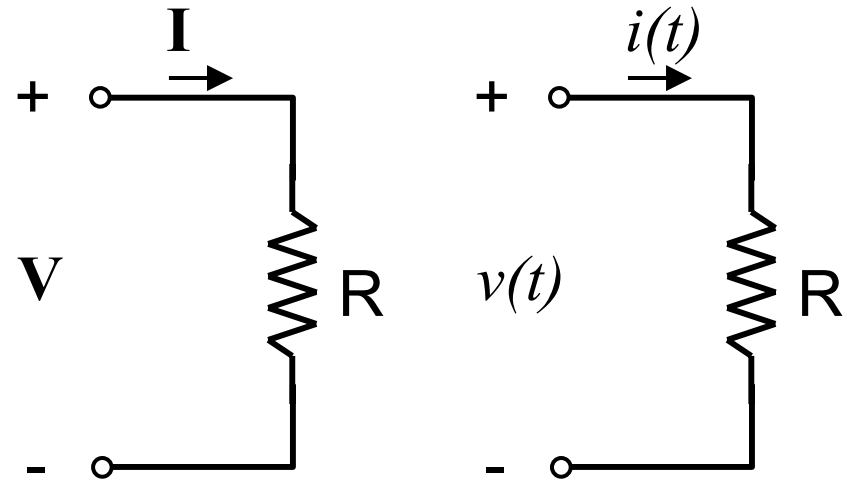
→ Phasors:  **$\mathbf{V} = R\mathbf{I}$**



# Circuit Elements in the Frequency Domain

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This terminal relation for the phasor voltage and current in a resistor implies that **the voltage and current are in phase**:

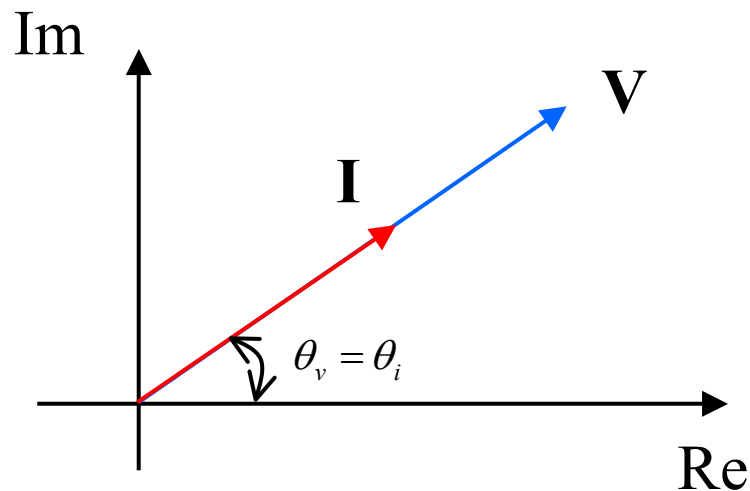
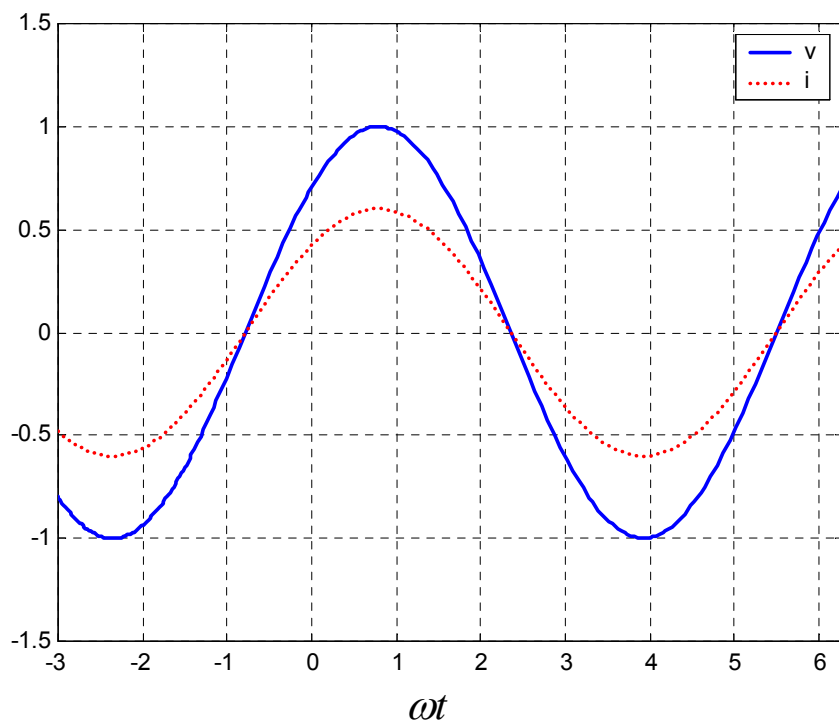
$$\mathbf{V} = R\mathbf{I}$$

$$V_m \angle \theta_v = R I_m \angle \theta_i \longrightarrow \theta_v = \theta_i$$

# Circuit Elements in the Frequency Domain

Phasor diagram:

→ Plot complex numbers as vectors



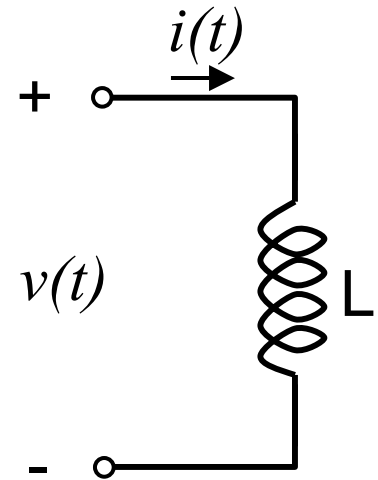
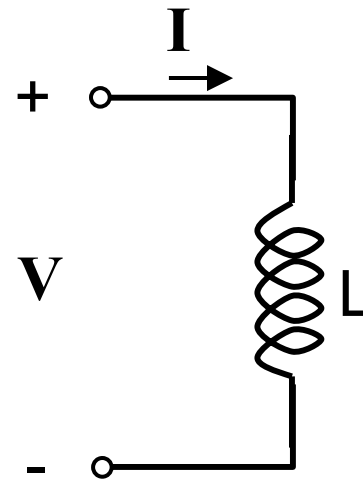
→ Voltage and current are in phase



# Circuit Elements in the Frequency Domain

## The inductor L

→ Time domain:  $v(t) = L \frac{di}{dt}$



→ Complex exponential forcing function:

$$v(t) = V_m e^{j(\omega t + \theta_v)} = [V_m \angle \theta_v] e^{j\omega t} = \mathbf{V} e^{j\omega t}$$

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$$v(t) = L \frac{di(t)}{dt} \longrightarrow \mathbf{V} e^{j\omega t} = j\omega L \mathbf{I} e^{j\omega t}$$

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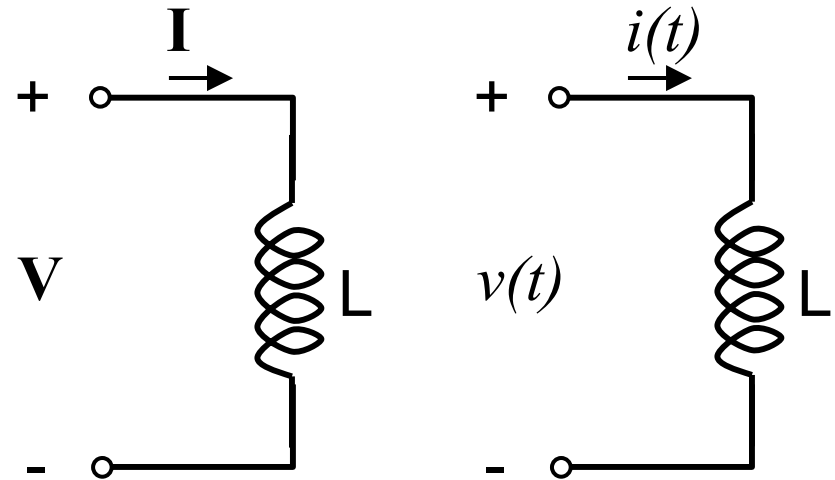
$$V_m \angle \theta_v = j\omega L I_m \angle \theta_i$$

$$j = 1 \angle 90^\circ$$

$$V_m \angle \theta_v = \omega L I_m \angle \theta_i + 90^\circ$$

$$\theta_v = \theta_i + 90^\circ \quad \theta_v - \theta_i = +90^\circ$$

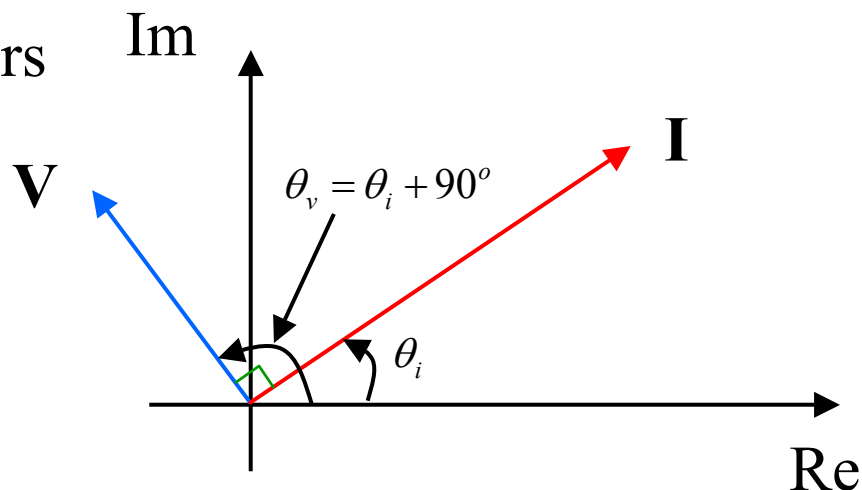
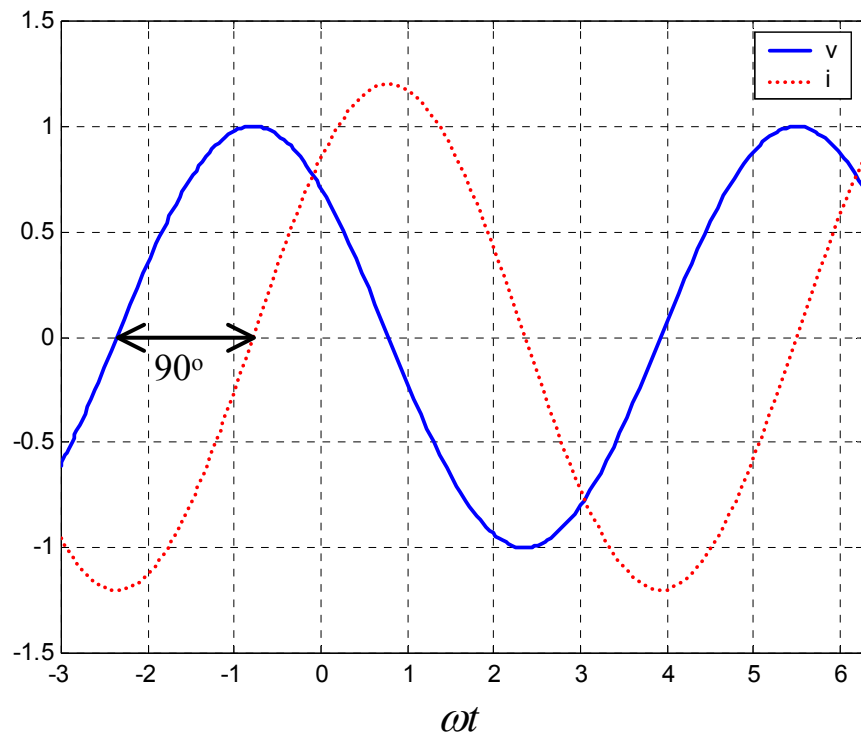
→  $v(t)$  leads  $i(t)$  by  $90^\circ$



# Circuit Elements in the Frequency Domain

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→ Voltage leads current by 90 degrees.

# Circuit Elements in the Frequency Domain

## The capacitor C

→ Time domain:  $i(t) = C \frac{dv}{dt}$

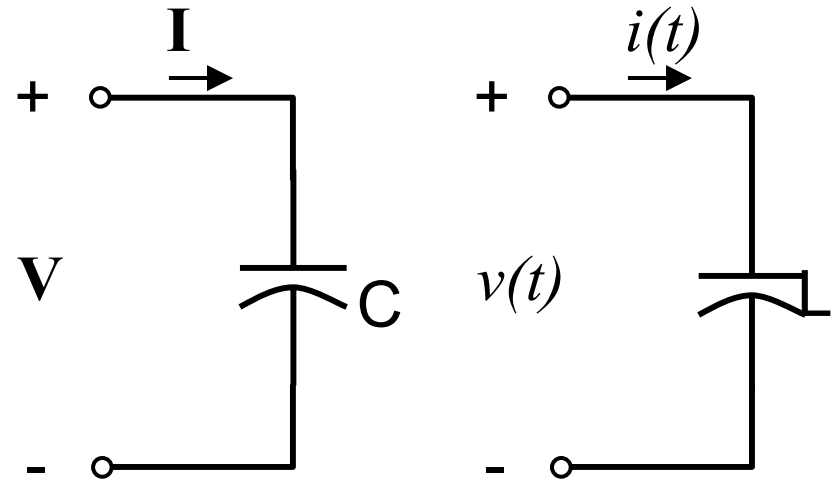
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$$i(t) = C \frac{dv(t)}{dt} \longrightarrow \mathbf{I} e^{j\omega t} = j\omega C \mathbf{V} e^{j\omega t}$$

→ Phasors:  $\mathbf{I} = j\omega C \mathbf{V}$



# Circuit Elements in the Frequency Domain

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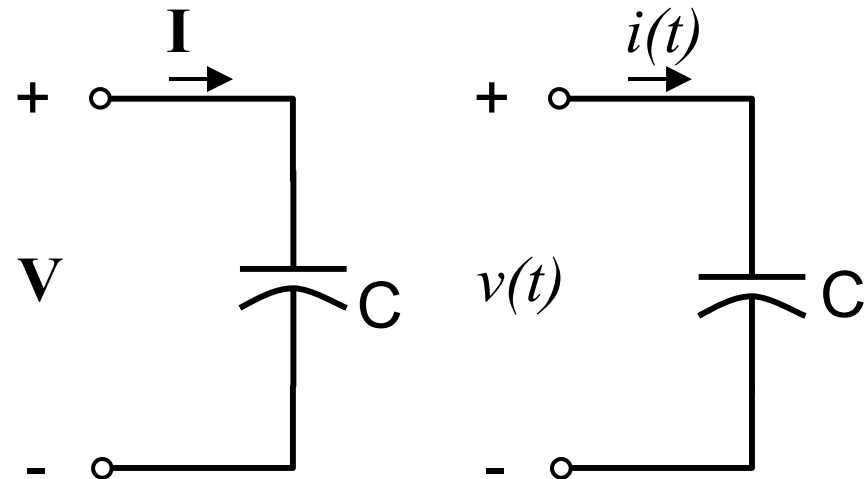
→ Phasors:  $\mathbf{I} = j\omega C\mathbf{V}$

$$I_m \angle \theta_i = j\omega C V_m \angle \theta_v$$

$$I_m \angle \theta_i = \omega C V_m \angle \theta_v + 90^\circ$$

$$\theta_i = \theta_v + 90^\circ \quad \theta_v - \theta_i = -90^\circ$$

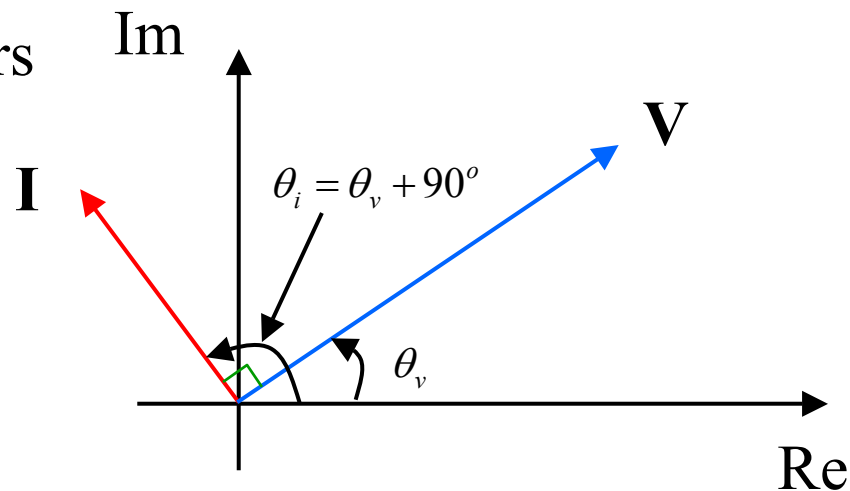
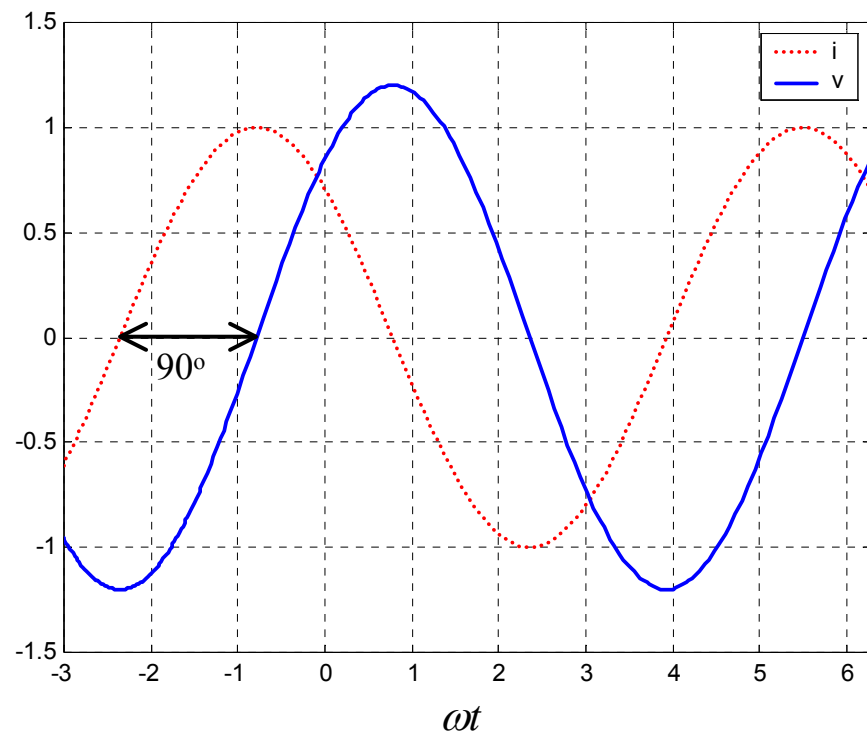
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# Circuit Elements in the Frequency Domain

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→ Voltage lags current by 90 degrees.

# Circuit Elements: Summary

Resistor:  $\mathbf{V} = R\mathbf{I}$

Inductor:  $\mathbf{V} = j\omega L\mathbf{I}$

Capacitor  $\mathbf{I} = j\omega C\mathbf{V}$  or  $\mathbf{V} = \frac{1}{j\omega C}\mathbf{I}$

In general:  $\mathbf{V} = Z\mathbf{I}$

where:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} Z = R \quad \rightarrow \text{Resistor} \\ Z = j\omega L \quad \rightarrow \text{Inductor} \\ Z = \frac{1}{j\omega C} \quad \rightarrow \text{Capacitor} \end{array} \right\}$$

Z in ac circuits is analogous to R in dc circuits. It is a **complex** quantity but NOT a phasor!