

Parallel AC Circuits Frequency Response and Equivalent Circuits

■ R-L-C Parallel Circuit

- Frequency response (Z_T) - introduction
- Z_T and F_p - calculation
- Excel spreadsheet for Z_T and F_p
- **ICP – Find C to “cancel” L in a parallel R-L-C (Project #1 Week 2)**

■ Parallel-Series Equivalent Circuits

- Discussion/example
- Limitations
- **ICP – Find an equivalent series circuit to a parallel R-L (Project #1 Week 2)**

R-L-C Parallel Circuit – Frequency Response (Z_T)

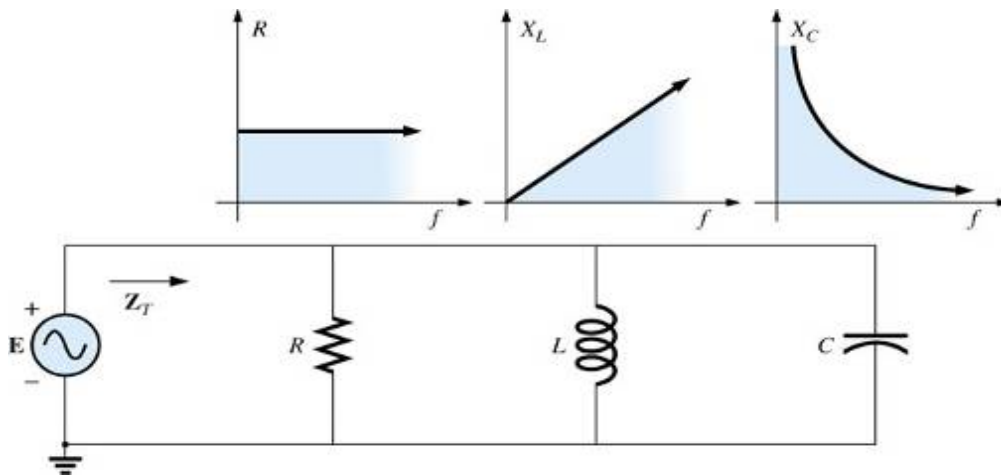


FIG. 16.30 Frequency response for parallel R-L-C elements.

At Low Frequencies:

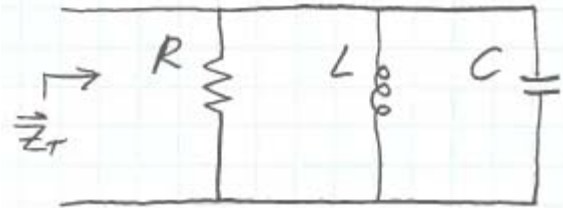
- L dominates Z_T
 - Small $|Z_T|$
 - $\angle Z_T \sim +90$ Degrees

At High Frequencies:

- C dominates Z_T
 - Small $|Z_T|$
 - $\angle Z_T \sim -90$ Degrees

What about when $X_C = X_L$?

R-L-C Parallel Circuit – Frequency Response (Z_T)



$$X_C = \frac{1}{2\pi fC} \quad \sim$$

$$X_L = 2\pi fL \quad \sim$$

$$\vec{Z}_T = \frac{1}{\vec{Y}_T}$$

$$\vec{Y}_T = \frac{1}{R} + \frac{1}{\vec{Z}_L} + \frac{1}{\vec{Z}_C}$$

$$= \frac{1}{R} + \frac{1}{jX_L} + \frac{1}{-jX_C}$$

$$\vec{Y}_T = \frac{1}{R} - j\frac{1}{X_L} + j\frac{1}{X_C}$$

$$\vec{Y}_T = \frac{1}{R} + j\left(\frac{1}{X_C} - \frac{1}{X_L}\right)$$

$$|\vec{Y}_T| = \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{R}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{X_C} - \frac{1}{X_L}\right)^2}$$

$$\downarrow |\vec{Z}_T| = \frac{1}{|\vec{Y}_T|}$$

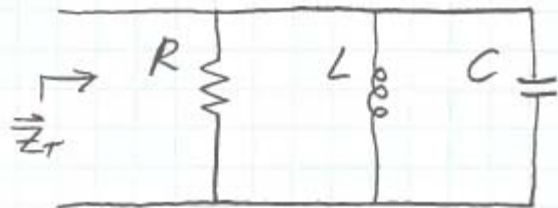
$$\angle \vec{Y}_T = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\frac{1}{X_C} - \frac{1}{X_L}}{\frac{1}{R}} \right)$$

$$= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{R}{X_C} - \frac{R}{X_L} \right)$$

$$\therefore \angle \vec{Z}_T = -\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\frac{1}{X_C} - \frac{1}{X_L}}{\frac{1}{R}} \right)$$

$$= -\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{R}{X_C} - \frac{R}{X_L} \right)$$

R-L-C Parallel Circuit – Frequency Response (Z_T)



$$X_C = \frac{1}{2\pi f C} \quad \sim$$

$$X_L = 2\pi f L \quad \sim$$

WHEN $X_L = X_C$,

$$\vec{Y}_T = \frac{1}{R} + j(0) = \frac{1}{R}$$

$$\text{HENCE } \vec{Z}_T = \frac{1}{\vec{Y}_T} = \underline{\underline{R}}$$

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$$X_C = X_L : \frac{1}{2\pi f_p C} = 2\pi f_p L$$

@ $f = f_p$

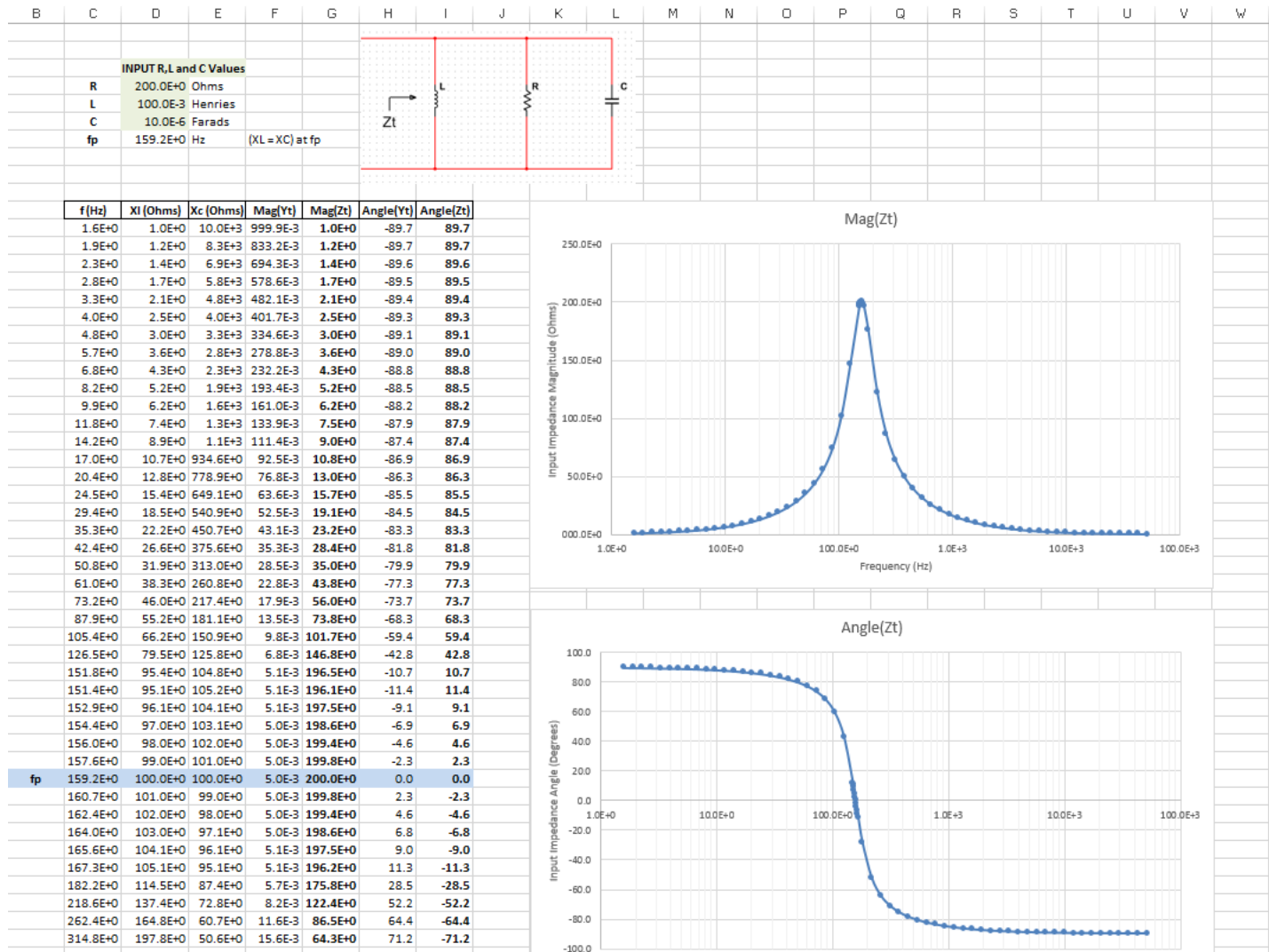
$$\frac{1}{2\pi C} = 2\pi (f_p)^2 L$$

$$\text{OR } f_p^2 = \frac{1}{(2\pi)(2\pi) LC}$$

$$\therefore f_p = \frac{1}{2\pi \sqrt{LC}} \quad \text{Hz}$$

R-L-C Parallel Circuit – Frequency Response (Z_T)

Demo - Zin RLC Parallel.xlsx



R-L-C Parallel Circuit – From Project 1 WK2 Prelab

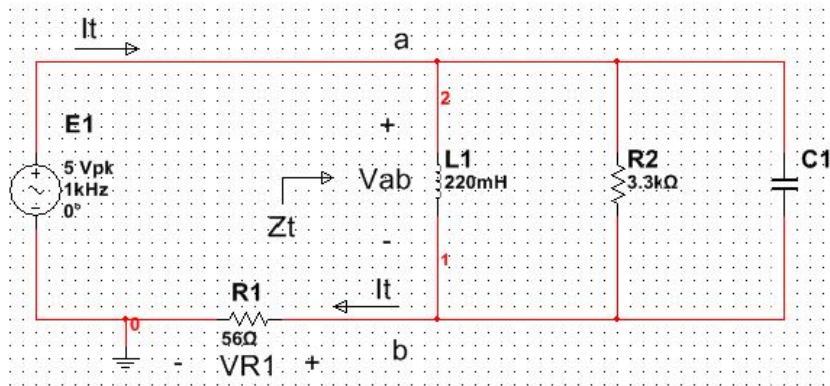


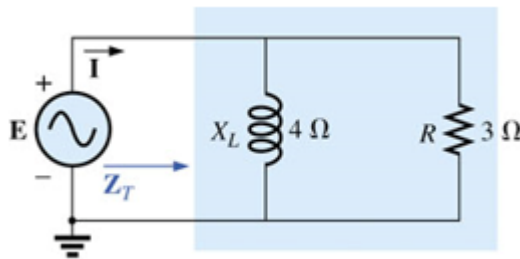
Figure 4 - Parallel R-L-C Circuit

7. Determine the value of C_1 in the parallel R-L-C circuit of Figure 4 to cancel the reactance of L_1 so that at 1kHz, the phase angle between the voltage, V_{ab} and the current I_t is zero degrees.

Parallel-Series “Equivalent” Circuits

Consider a parallel R-L Circuit, $R=3\ \Omega$ and **F = 10Hz**, $L = 63.66\ \text{mH}$:

In the phasor domain:



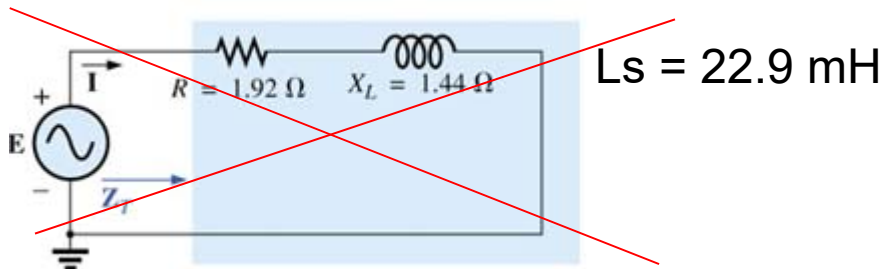
$$X_L = 2\pi fL = 4\ \Omega$$

$$Y_T = \frac{1}{j4\ \Omega} + \frac{1}{3\ \Omega}$$

$$Y_T = (333.3\text{E-}3 - j250\text{E-}3)\ \text{S}$$

$$Z_T = 1/Y_T = (1.92 + j1.44)\ \Omega$$

Suggesting the following
“equivalent” circuit:



What about the same
parallel R-L circuit at **F = 20Hz?**

$$X_L = 2\pi fL = 8\ \Omega$$

$$Y_T = \frac{1}{j8\ \Omega} + \frac{1}{3\ \Omega}$$

$$Y_T = (333.3\text{E-}3 - j125\text{E-}3)\ \text{S}$$

$$Z_T = 1/Y_T = (2.63 + j0.986)\ \Omega$$

Suggests:

$$R_s = 2.63$$

$$L_s = 7.85\ \text{mH}$$

**Be careful,
equivalence only holds
at ONE FREQUENCY**

Parallel-Series “Equivalent” Circuits – From Project 1 WK2 Prelab

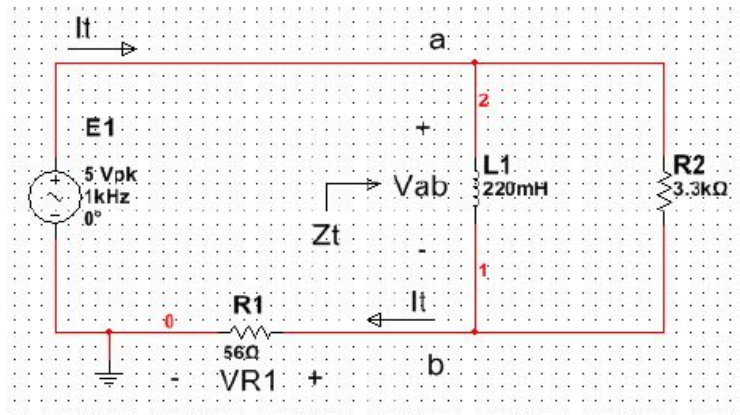


Figure 3 - Parallel R-L Circuit

5. Analyze the parallel R-L circuit of Figure 3:
- Determine Z_T (in polar form)
 - Create an impedance diagram for the network (Does this result suggest that there is an equivalent series circuit?).