

# Fundamentals of Electrical Circuits and Systems

## Chapter 6: AC Circuits 3

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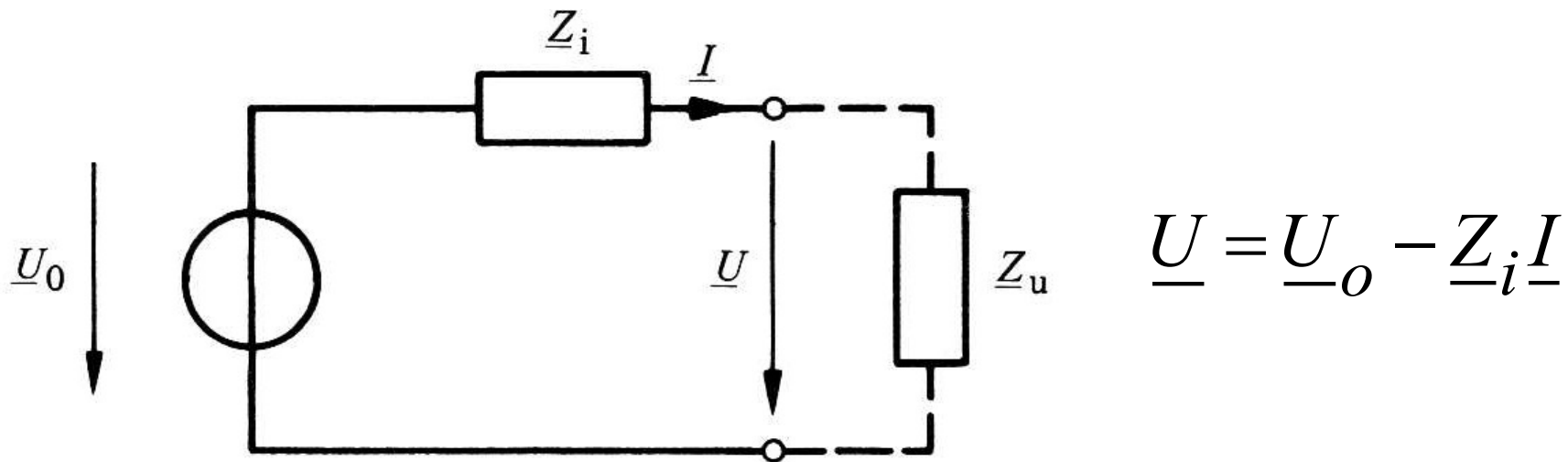
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# AC Circuits 3

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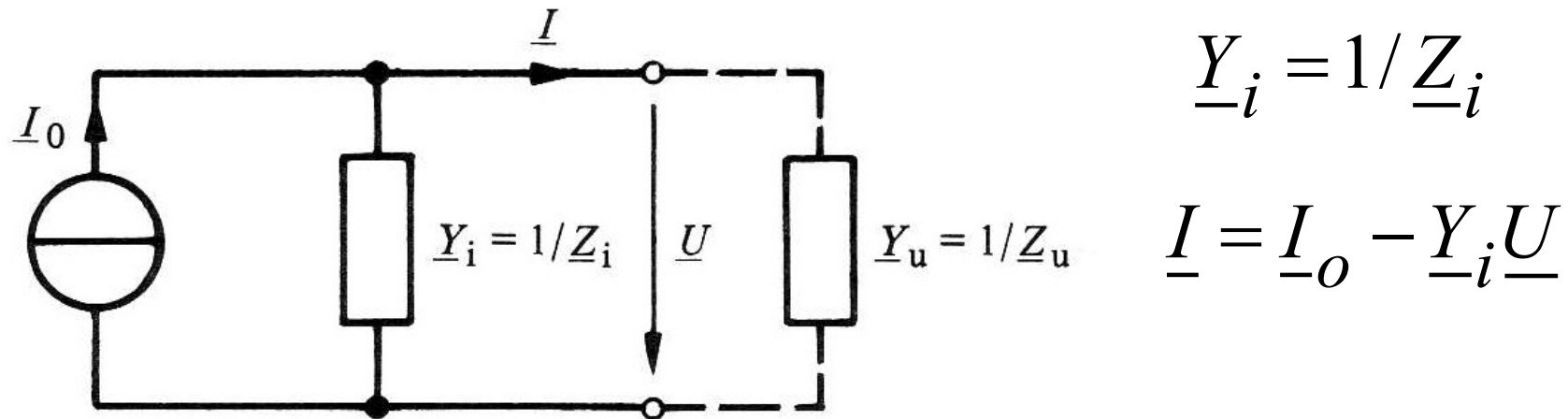
## Source with internal impedance

- Generalization of the notion of internal resistance: internal impedance  $\underline{Z}_i = R_i + jX_i$

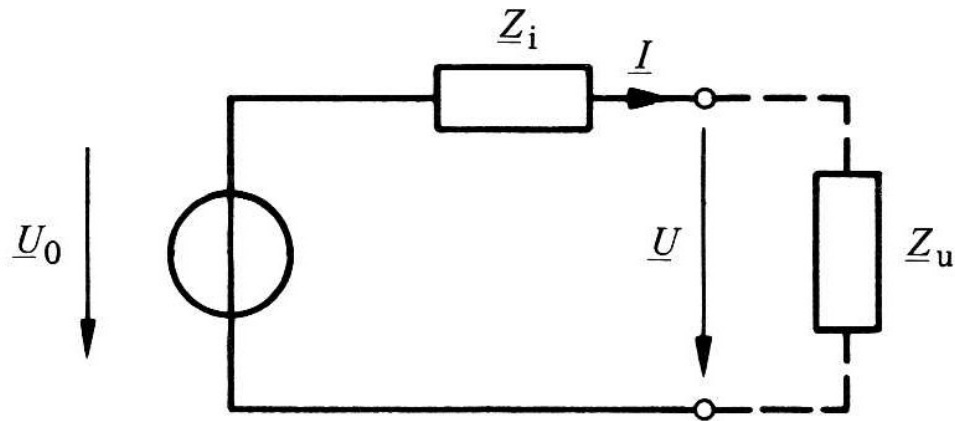


## Source with internal impedance

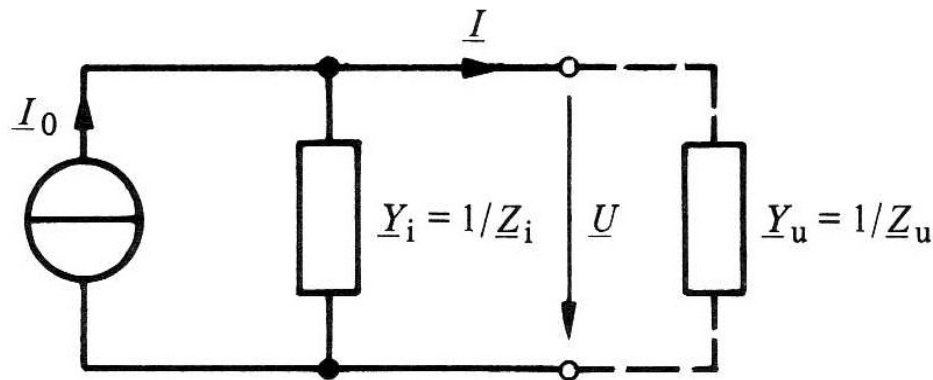
- Equivalent representation in terms of current source



# Equivalence voltage/current sources

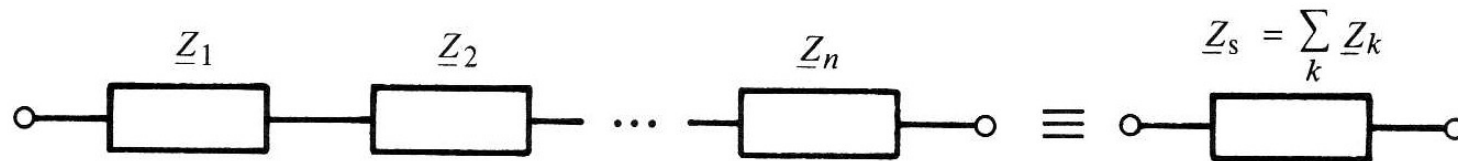


$$\underline{U}_0 = \underline{Z}_i \underline{I}_0$$



$$\underline{I}_0 = \underline{Y}_i \underline{U}_0 = \frac{\underline{U}_0}{\underline{Z}_i}$$

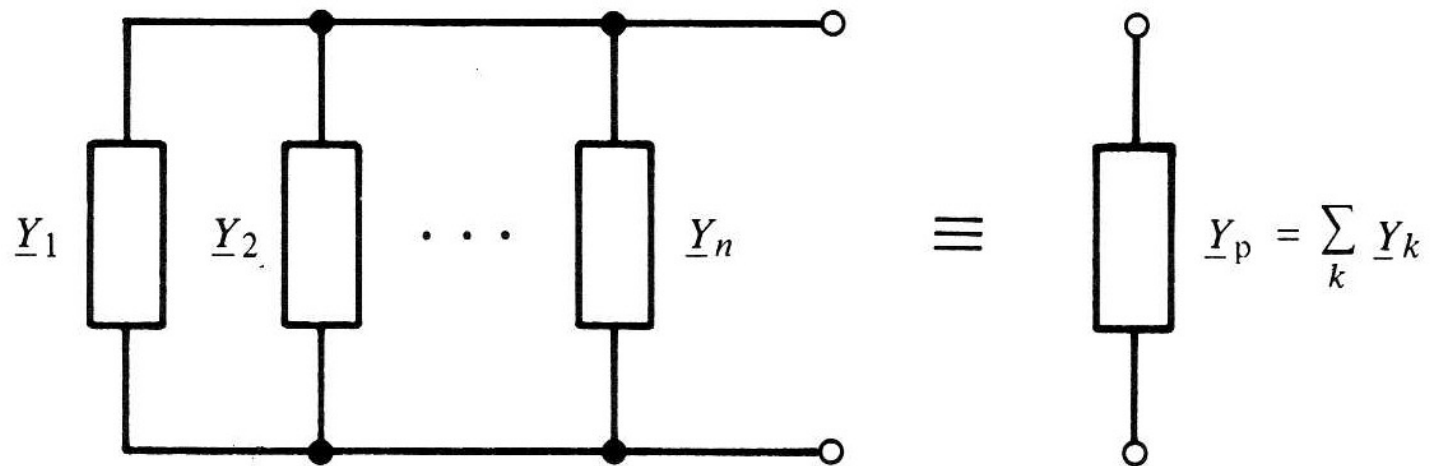
# Impedance / admittance in series



$$\underline{Z}_s = \sum_{k=1}^n \underline{Z}_k$$

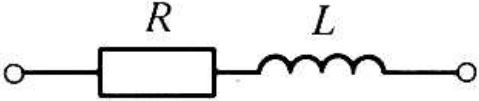
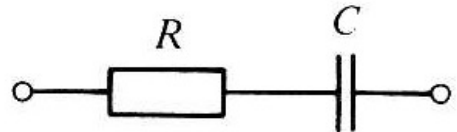
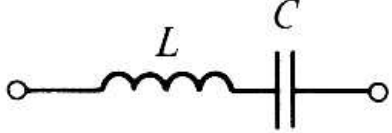
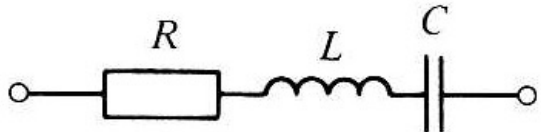
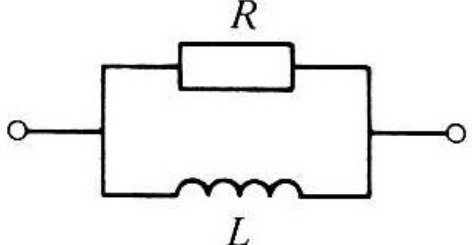
$$\underline{Y}_s = \frac{1}{\underline{Z}_s} = \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n \underline{Z}_k} = \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n 1/\underline{Y}_k}$$

# Impedance / admittance in parallel

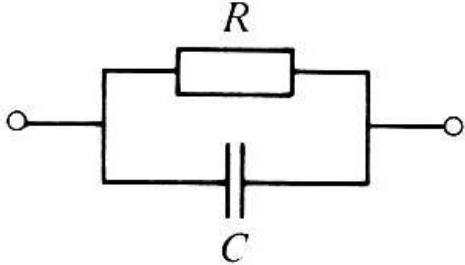
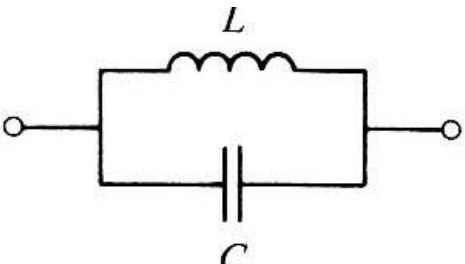
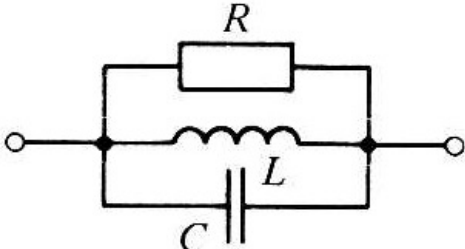


$$\underline{Y}_p = \sum_{k=1}^n \underline{Y}_k$$
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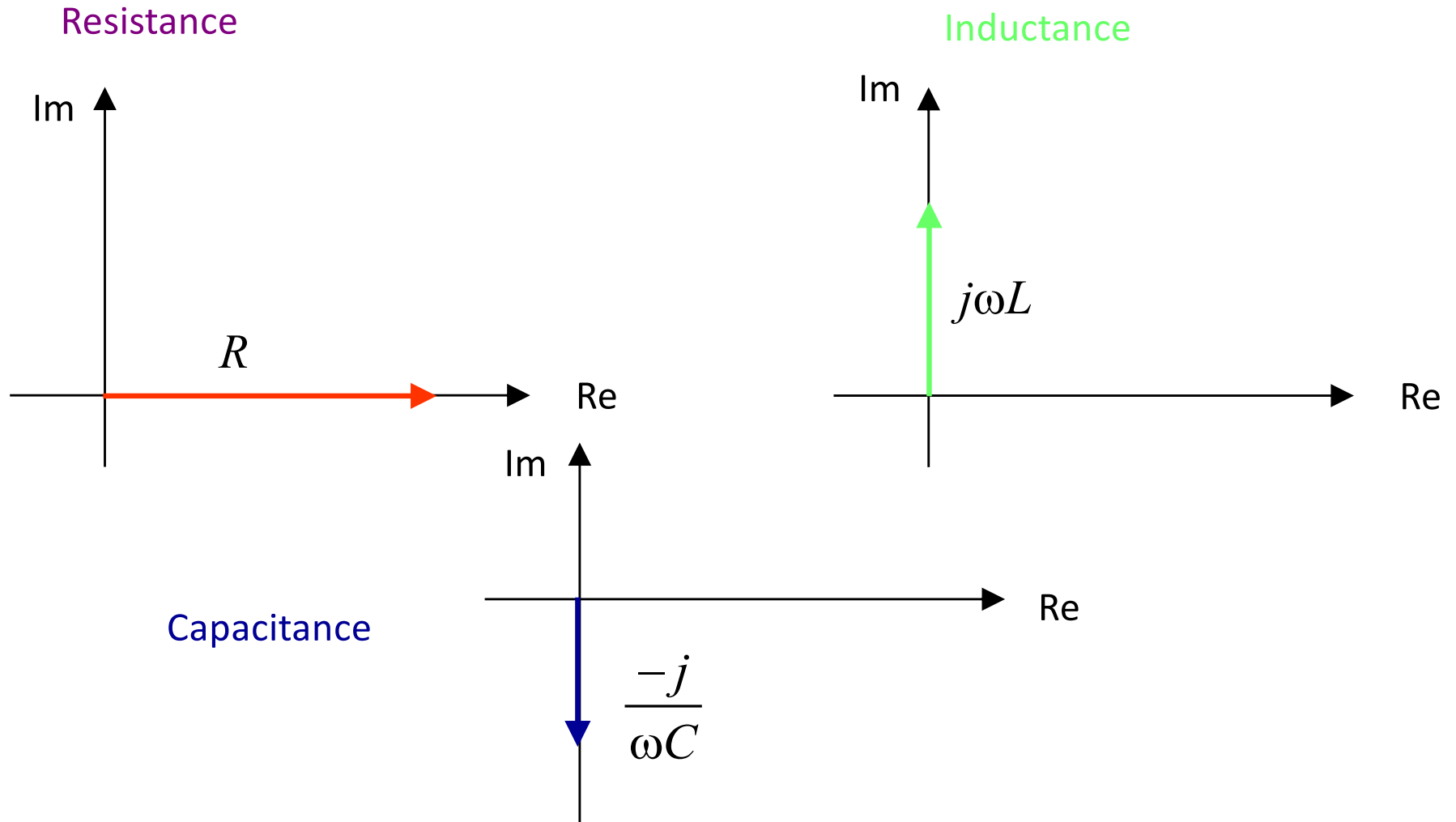
# Elementary Composite Bipoles

Circuit	Impedance	Admittance
	$R + j\omega L$	$\frac{R - j\omega L}{R^2 + \omega^2 L^2}$
	$R + \frac{1}{j\omega C}$	$\frac{R\omega^2 C^2 + j\omega C}{1 + \omega^2 R^2 C^2}$
	$j\left(\omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C}\right)$	$j \frac{\omega C}{1 - \omega^2 LC}$
	$R + j\left(\omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C}\right)$	$\frac{R - j(\omega L - 1/\omega C)}{R^2 + (\omega L - 1/\omega C)^2}$
	$\frac{R\omega^2 L^2 + j\omega LR^2}{R^2 + \omega^2 L^2}$	$\frac{1}{R} - j \frac{1}{\omega L}$

# Elemental Composite Bipoles (continued)

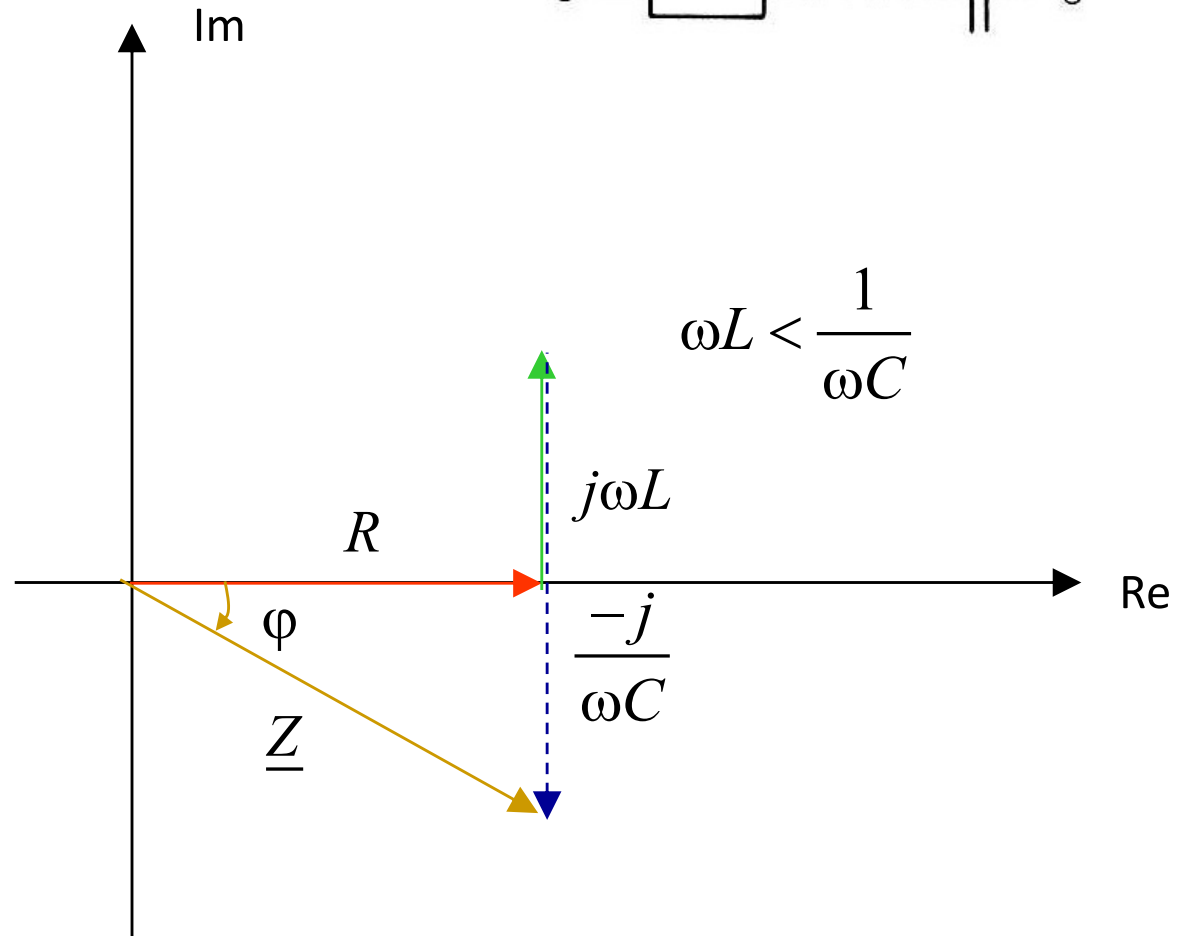
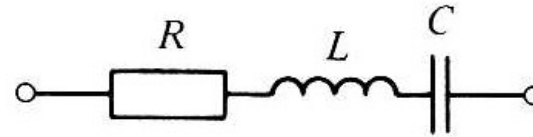
Circuit	Impedance	Admittance
	$\frac{R - j\omega CR^2}{1 + \omega^2 R^2 C^2}$	$\frac{1}{R} + j\omega C$
	$j \frac{\omega L}{1 - \omega^2 LC}$	$j\left(\omega C - \frac{1}{\omega L}\right)$
	$\frac{R - jR^2(\omega C - 1/\omega L)}{1 + R^2(\omega C - 1/\omega L)^2}$	$\frac{1}{R} - j\left(\omega C - \frac{1}{\omega L}\right)$

# Impedance diagram



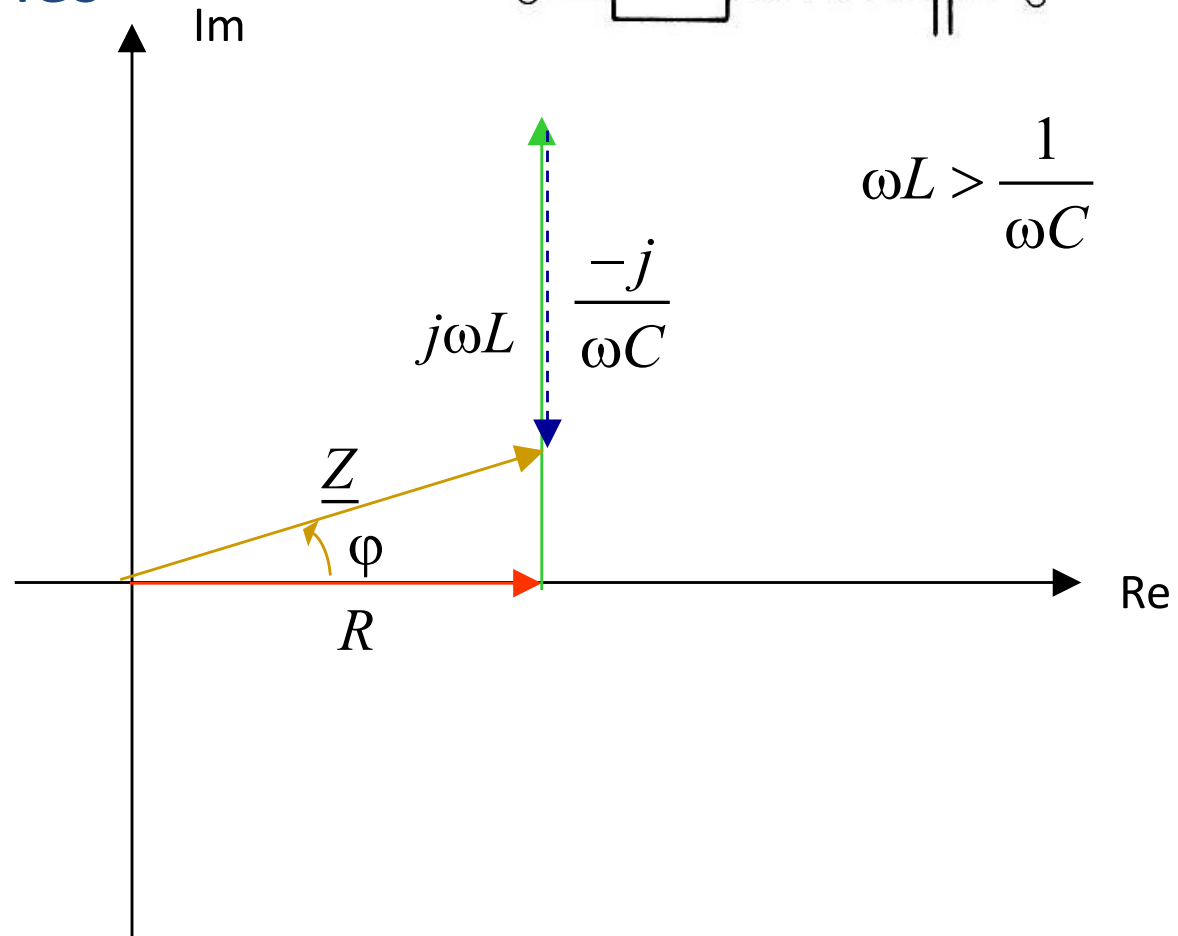
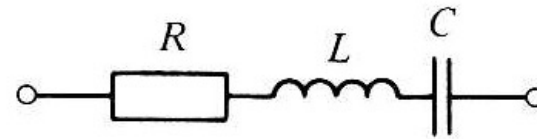
# Impedance diagram

RLC circuit in series



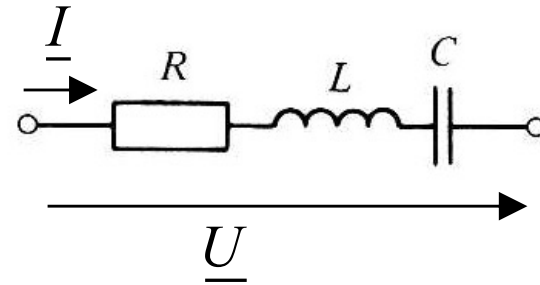
# Impedance diagram

RLC circuit in series



# Phasor diagram

RLC circuit in series



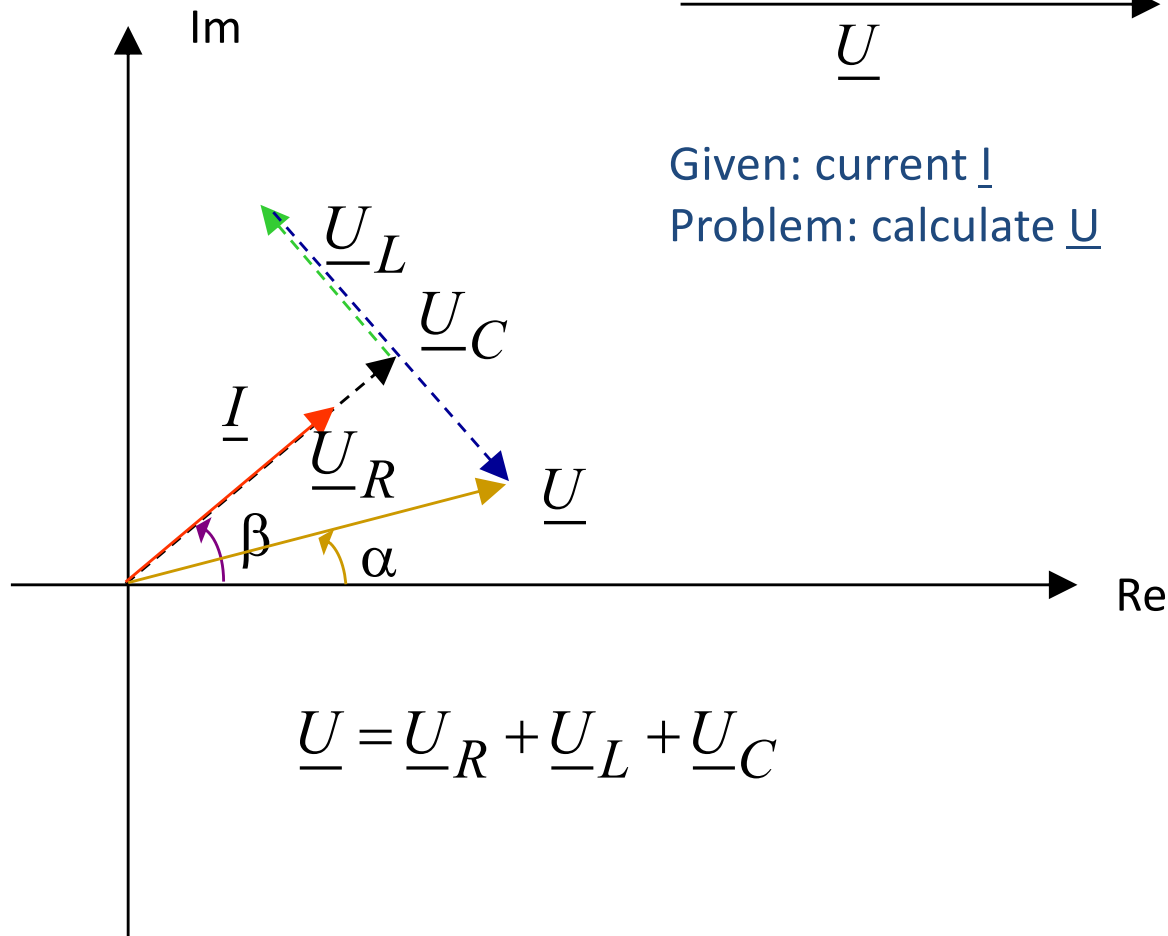
Given: current  $\underline{I}$   
Problem: calculate  $\underline{U}$

$$\underline{I} = I e^{j\beta}$$

$$\underline{U}_R = R \underline{I}$$

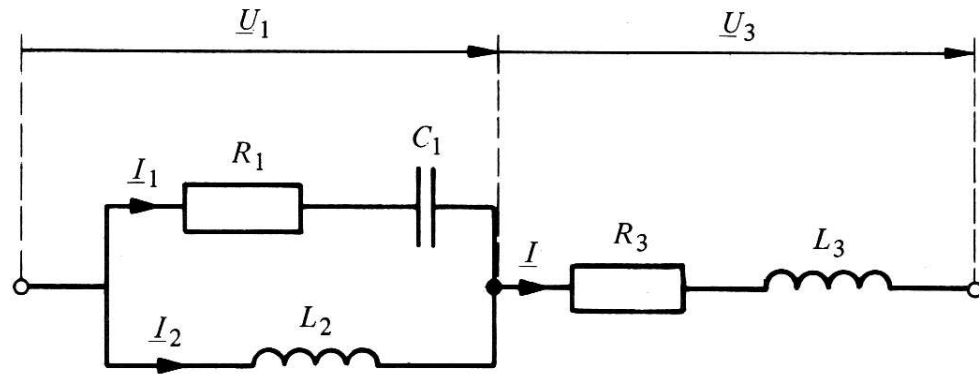
$$\underline{U}_L = j\omega L \underline{I}$$

$$\underline{U}_C = \frac{1}{j\omega C} \underline{I}$$

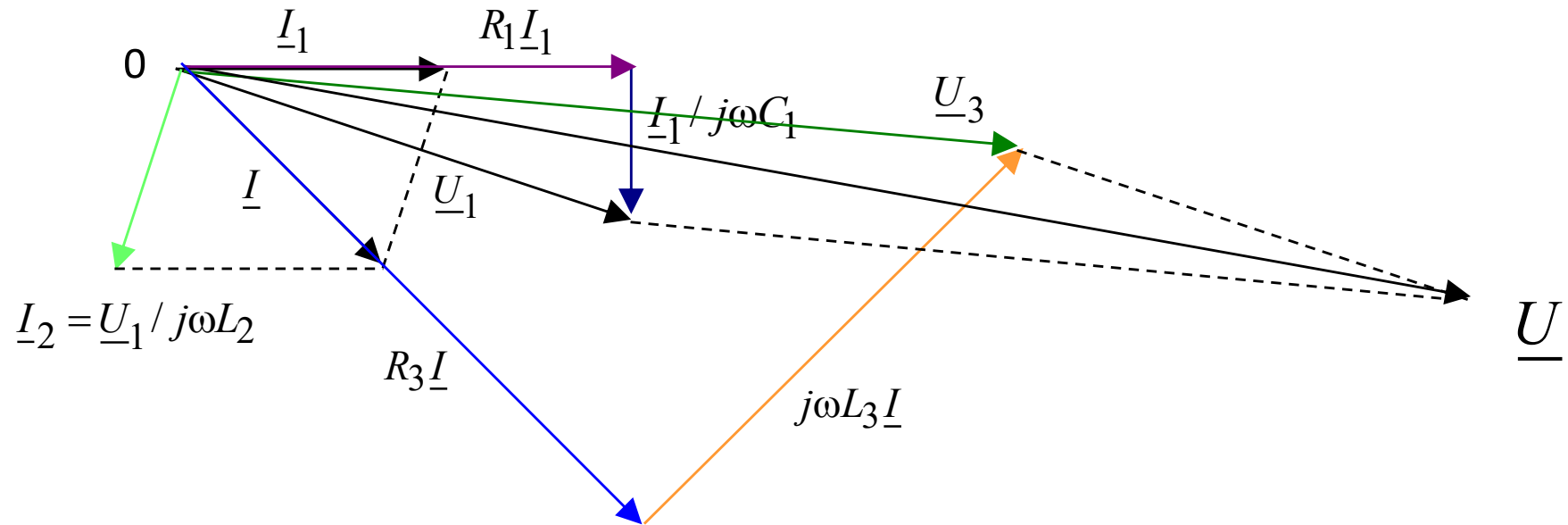


$$\underline{U} = \underline{U}_R + \underline{U}_L + \underline{U}_C$$

# Phasor diagram: series-parallel circuit



Given: current  $\underline{I}_1$   
 Problem: calculate  $\underline{U} = \underline{U}_1 + \underline{U}_3$



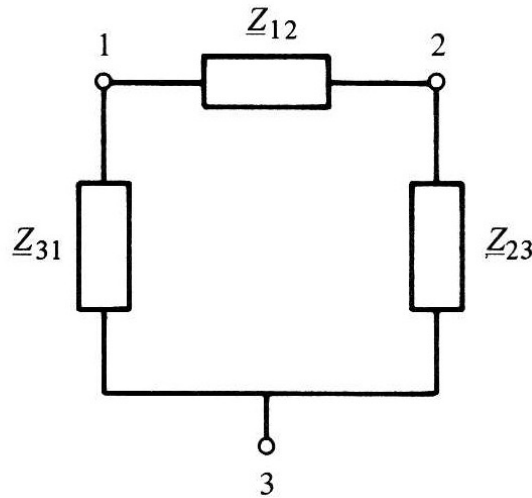
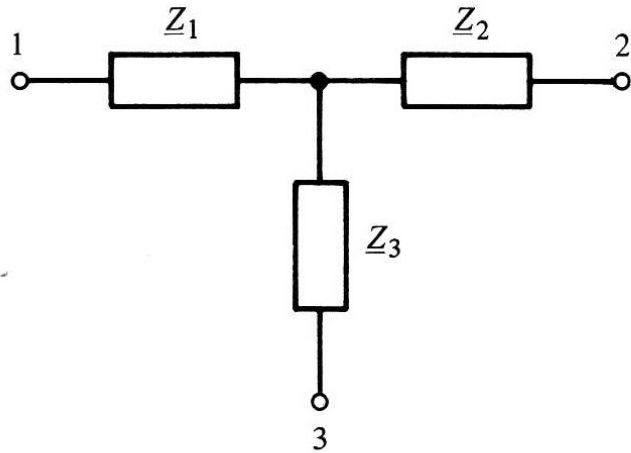
## Question

- We have two impedances in series  $\underline{Z}_1$  and  $\underline{Z}_2$ . The module of the equivalent impedance is the sum of the modules.

A: True

B: False

# Equivalent tripoles



$$\underline{Z}_{12} = \frac{\underline{Z}_1 \underline{Z}_2 + \underline{Z}_2 \underline{Z}_3 + \underline{Z}_3 \underline{Z}_1}{\underline{Z}_3}$$

$$\underline{Z}_{23} = \frac{\underline{Z}_1 \underline{Z}_2 + \underline{Z}_2 \underline{Z}_3 + \underline{Z}_3 \underline{Z}_1}{\underline{Z}_1}$$

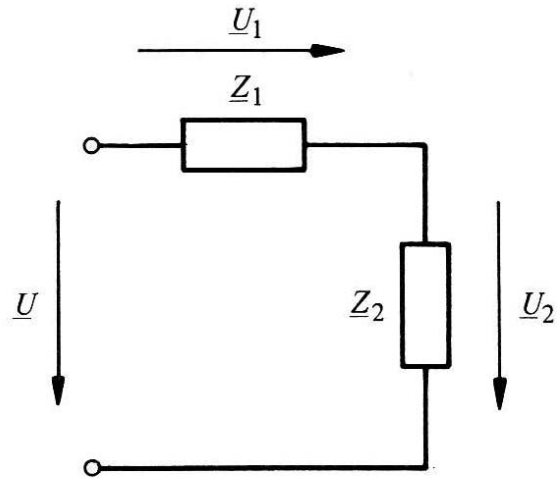
$$\underline{Z}_{31} = \frac{\underline{Z}_1 \underline{Z}_2 + \underline{Z}_2 \underline{Z}_3 + \underline{Z}_3 \underline{Z}_1}{\underline{Z}_2}$$

$$\underline{Z}_1 = \frac{\underline{Z}_{12} \underline{Z}_{31}}{\underline{Z}_{12} + \underline{Z}_{23} + \underline{Z}_{31}}$$

$$\underline{Z}_2 = \frac{\underline{Z}_{12} \underline{Z}_{23}}{\underline{Z}_{12} + \underline{Z}_{23} + \underline{Z}_{31}}$$

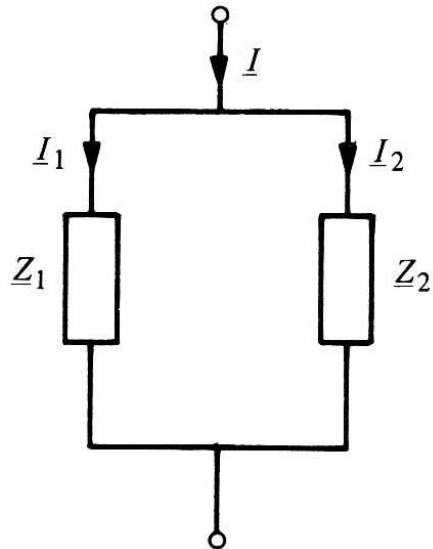
$$\underline{Z}_3 = \frac{\underline{Z}_{23} \underline{Z}_{31}}{\underline{Z}_{12} + \underline{Z}_{23} + \underline{Z}_{31}}$$

# Voltage and current dividers



$$\underline{U}_1 = \frac{\underline{Z}_1}{\underline{Z}_1 + \underline{Z}_2} \underline{U}$$

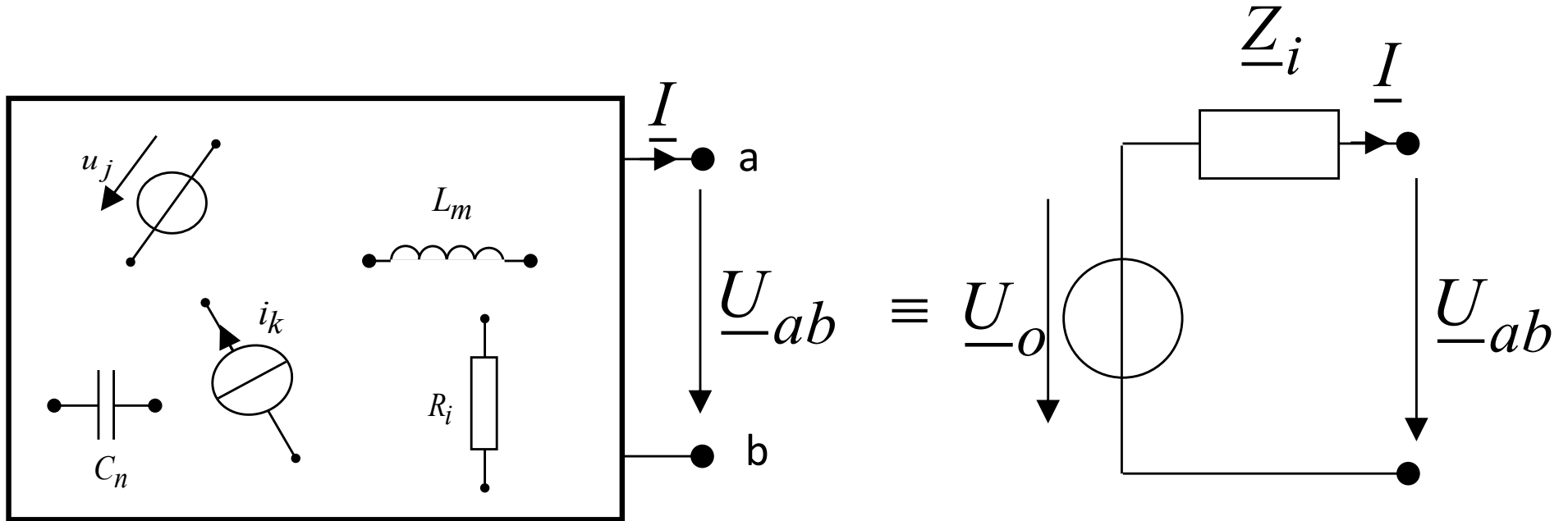
$$\underline{U}_2 = \frac{\underline{Z}_2}{\underline{Z}_1 + \underline{Z}_2} \underline{U}$$



$$\underline{I}_1 = \frac{\underline{Z}_2}{\underline{Z}_1 + \underline{Z}_2} \underline{I}$$

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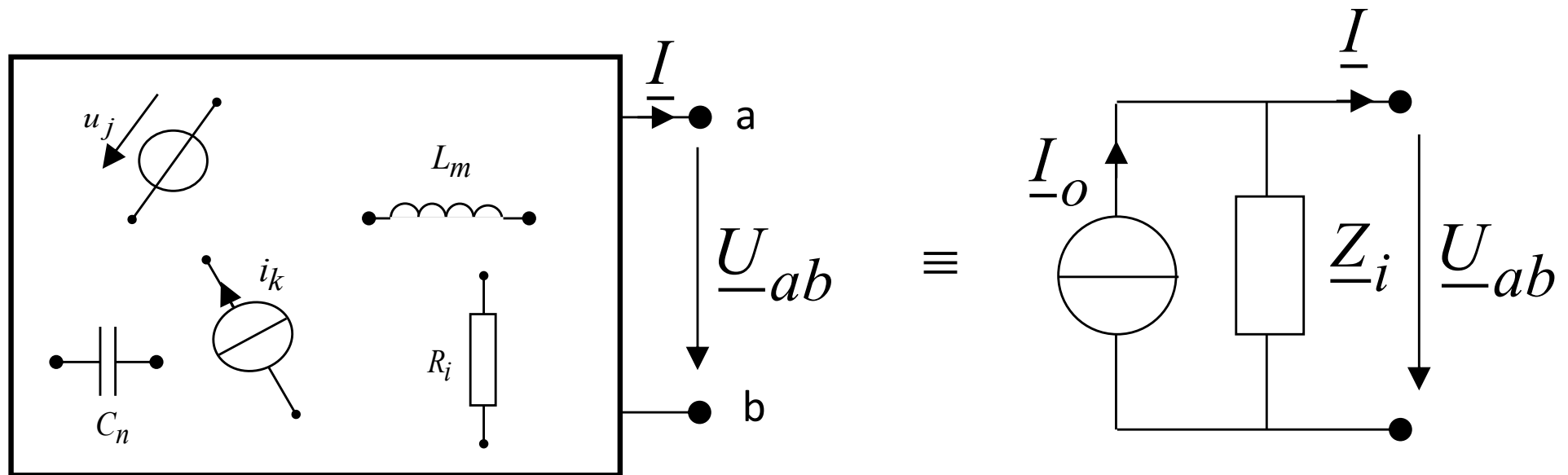
# Thévenin's theorem in AC circuits



All sources have the same frequency

$$\underline{U}_o = \underline{U}_{ab} \Big|_{\underline{I}=0} \quad \underline{Z}_i = \underline{Z}_{ab} \Big|_{u_j=0, i_k=0}$$

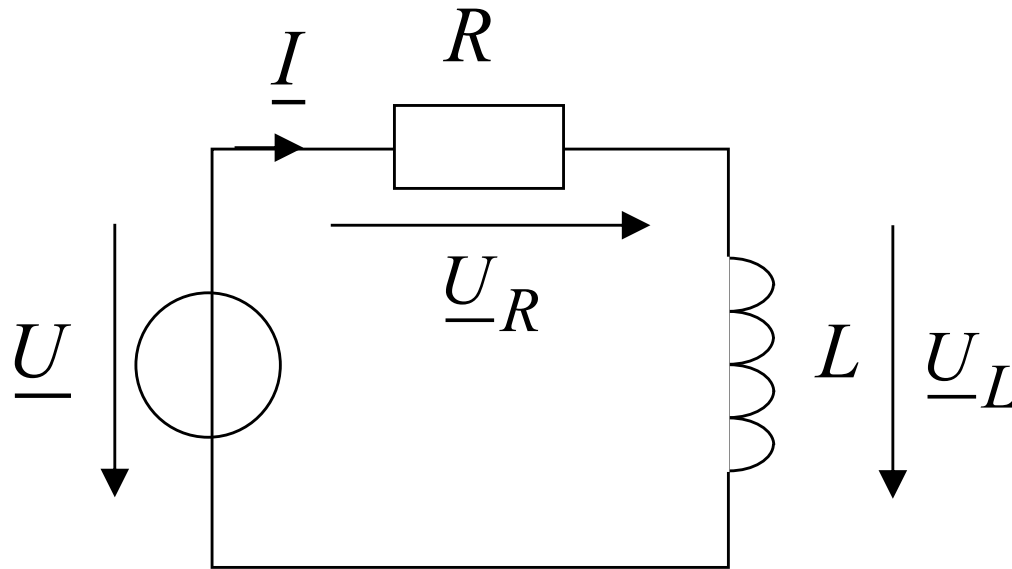
# Norton's theorem in AC circuits



All sources have the same frequency

$$\underline{I}_o = \underline{I} \Big|_{\underline{U}_{ab}=0} \quad \underline{Z}_i = \underline{Z}_{ab} \Big|_{u_j=0, i_k=0}$$

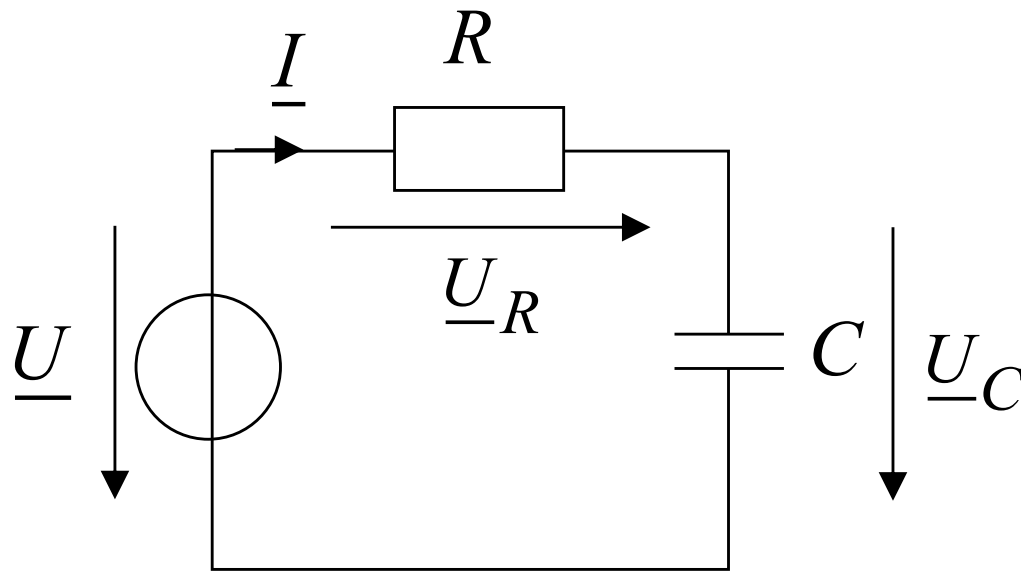
# Example 1: RL circuit in series



$$\underline{U} = Ue^{j\theta}$$

Determine  $\underline{I}$ ,  $\underline{U}_R$  and  $\underline{U}_L$

## Example 2: RC circuit in series



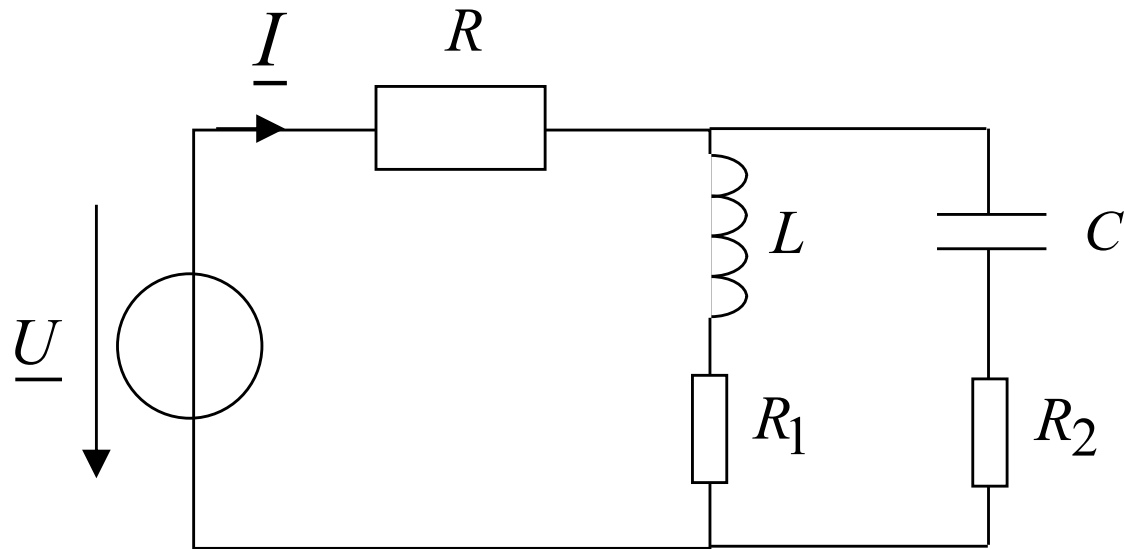
$$R = 5 \Omega$$

$$\underline{Z}_C = -j8.66 \Omega$$

$$\underline{U} = 20e^{j45^\circ}$$

Determine  $\underline{I}$ ,  $\underline{U}_R$  and  $\underline{U}_C$

## Example 3: RLC circuit



$$\underline{U} = 10e^{j15^\circ}, \omega = 500 \text{ rad/s}$$

$$R = 2 \Omega$$

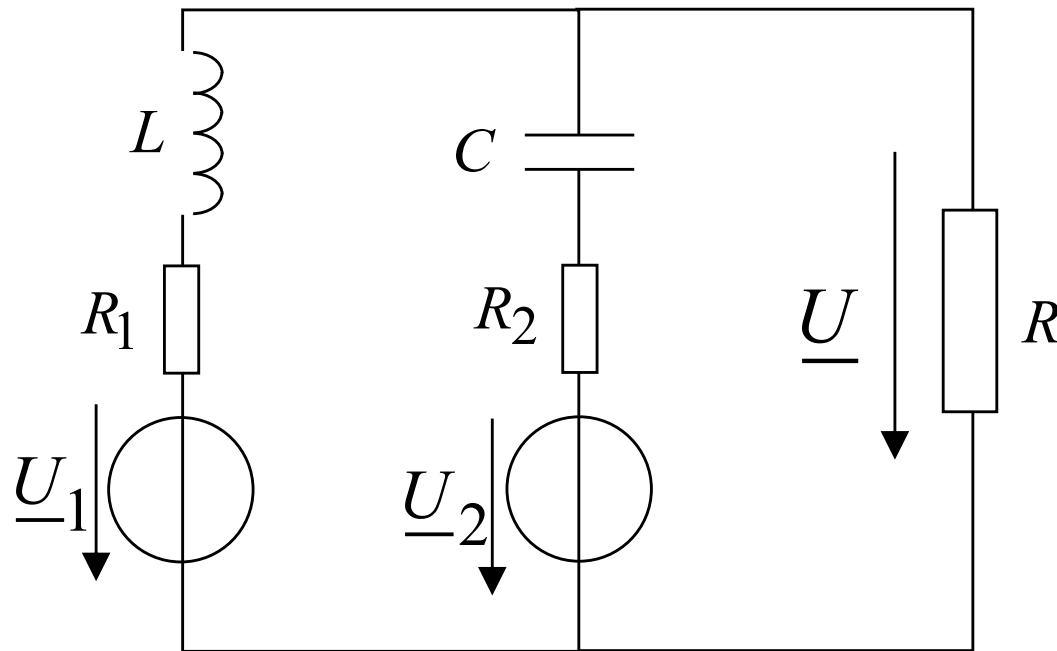
$$L = 2 \text{ mH}$$

$$C = 1000 \mu\text{F}$$

$$R_1 = R_2 = 1 \Omega$$

Determine the current  $i(t)$

## Example 4: Thévenin's theorem



Determine the voltage  $\underline{U}$

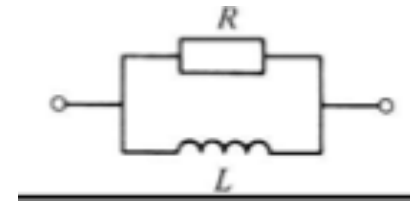
## Question

- The resistance of the following impedance is

A:  $R$

B:  $\frac{R\omega^2 L^2}{R^2 + \omega^2 L^2}$

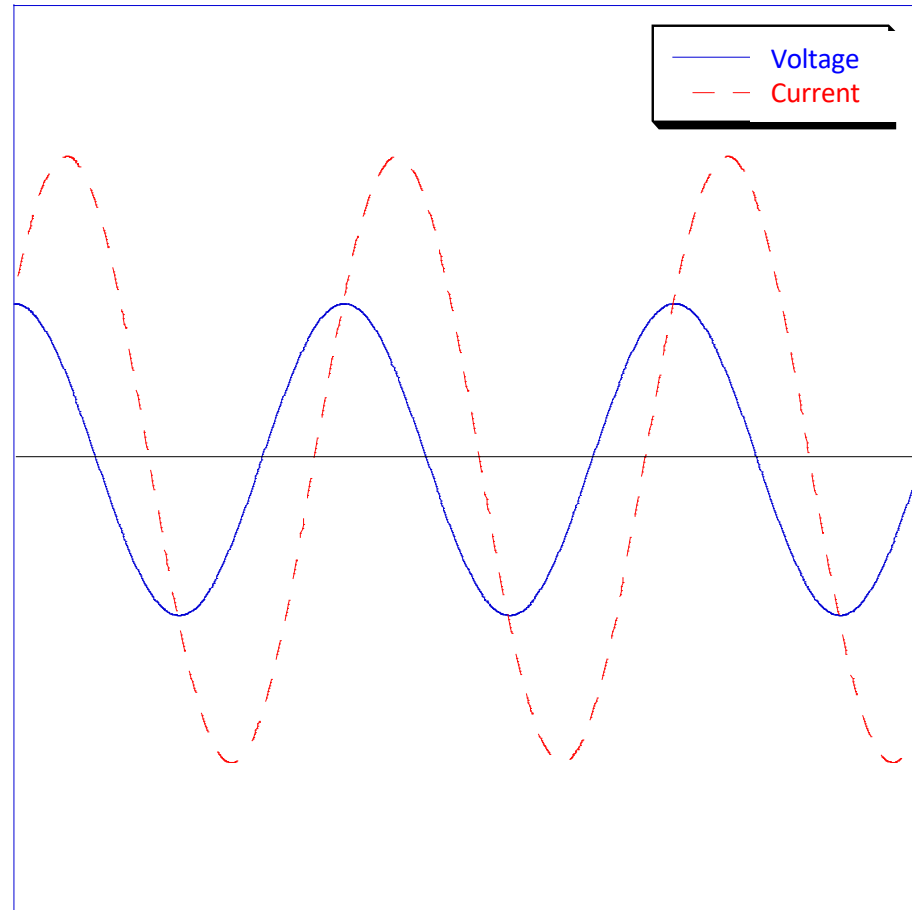
C:  $\sqrt{R^2 + \omega^2 L^2}$



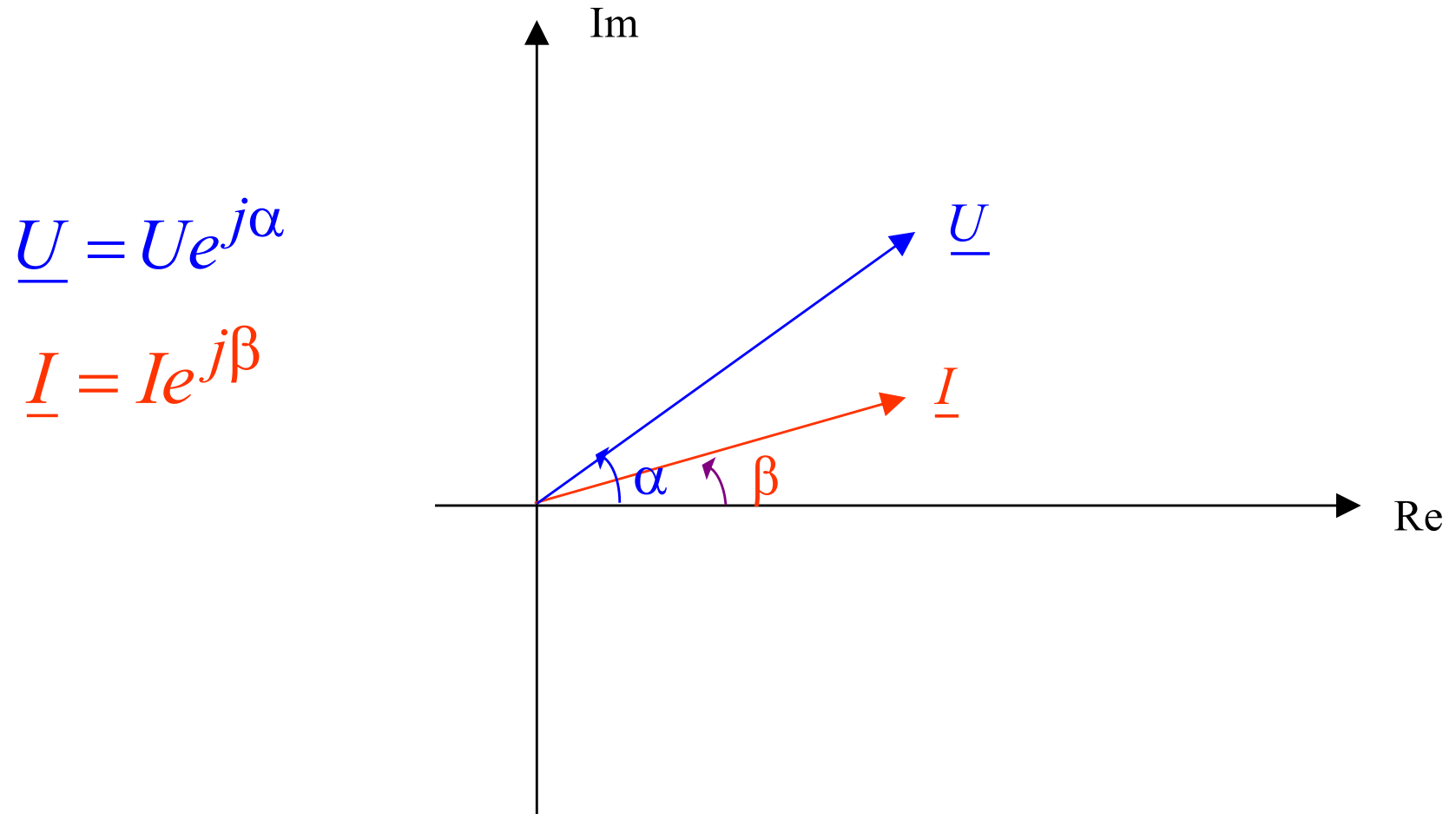
# Instantaneous power in AC circuits

$$u(t) = U\sqrt{2} \cos(\omega t + \alpha)$$

$$i(t) = I\sqrt{2} \cos(\omega t + \beta)$$



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$$i(t) = I\sqrt{2} \cos(\omega t + \beta)$$

Instantaneous power:

$$\begin{aligned} p(t) &= u(t)i(t) = 2UI \cos(\omega t + \alpha)\cos(\omega t + \beta) \\ &= UI[\cos(\alpha - \beta) + \cos(2\omega t + \alpha + \beta)] \\ &= UI \cos \varphi + UI \cos(2\omega t + \alpha + \beta) \end{aligned}$$

Constant  
component

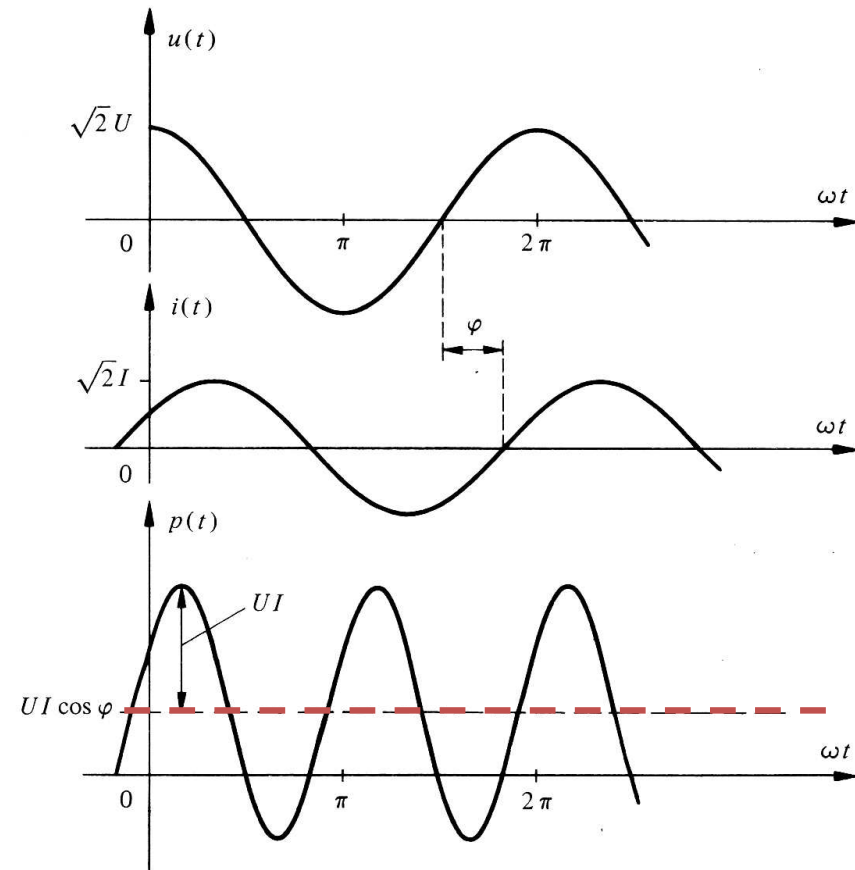
Sinusoidal component  
(double frequency)

# Instantaneous power in AC circuits

$$u(t) = U\sqrt{2} \cos(\omega t + \alpha)$$

$$i(t) = I\sqrt{2} \cos(\omega t + \beta)$$

$$p(t) = UI \cos \varphi + UI \cos(2\omega t + \alpha + \beta)$$



# Instantaneous power in AC circuits

Using the following trigonometric identity:

$$\begin{aligned}\cos(2\omega t + \alpha + \beta) &= \cos(2\omega t + 2\alpha - \varphi) \\ &= \cos \varphi \cos(2\omega t + 2\alpha) + \sin \varphi \sin(2\omega t + 2\alpha)\end{aligned}$$

Instantaneous power becomes:

$$p(t) = \underbrace{UI \cos \varphi [1 + \cos(2\omega t + 2\alpha)]}_{\text{Pulsed component, positive, which oscillates around } UI \cos \varphi} + \underbrace{UI \sin \varphi \sin(2\omega t + 2\alpha)}_{\text{Alternative component with average value of zero}}$$

Pulsed component, positive,  
which oscillates around  $UI \cos \varphi$

Translates a unidirectional  
energy exchange

Alternative component with  
average value of zero

Translates an oscillatory  
energy exchange

## Active and reactive power

$$\begin{aligned} p(t) &= UI \cos \varphi [1 + \cos(2\omega t + 2\alpha)] + UI \sin \varphi \sin(2\omega t + 2\alpha) \\ &= P[1 + \cos(2\omega t + 2\alpha)] + Q \sin(2\omega t + 2\alpha) \end{aligned}$$

Active power

$$P = UI \cos \varphi$$

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Reactive power

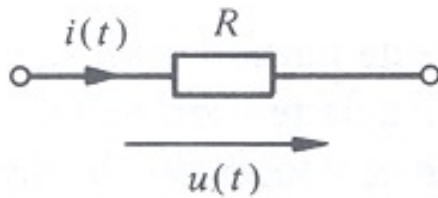
$$Q = UI \sin \varphi$$

var (volt-ampere-reactive)

Reactive power :

storage and periodic return of energy at twice the frequency of current and voltage

## P and Q for a resistor



$$\underline{U} = R \underline{I}$$

$$\underline{Z} = R, \quad \varphi = 0$$

Active power

$$P = UI = \frac{U^2}{R} = RI^2$$

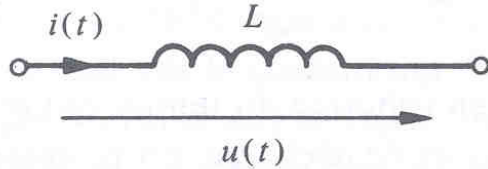
Reactive power

$$Q = 0$$

Instantaneous power :

$$p(t) = P(1 + \cos(2\omega t))$$

## P and Q for an inductor



$$\underline{U} = j\omega L \underline{I}$$

$$\underline{Z} = j\omega L = jX_L, \quad \varphi = \pi/2$$

Active power

$$P = 0$$

Reactive power

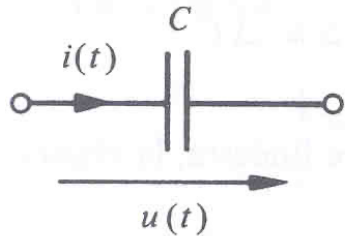
$$Q = UI = \frac{U^2}{X_L} = X_L I^2$$

Instantaneous power :

$$p(t) = Q \sin(2\omega t + 2\alpha)$$

An inductor does not dissipate energy: energy is absorbed during one half of each half cycle and returned during the other half.

# P and Q for a capacitor



$$\underline{I} = j\omega C \underline{U}$$

$$\underline{Z} = 1 / j\omega C = jX_C, \quad \varphi = -\pi / 2$$

Active power

$$P = 0$$

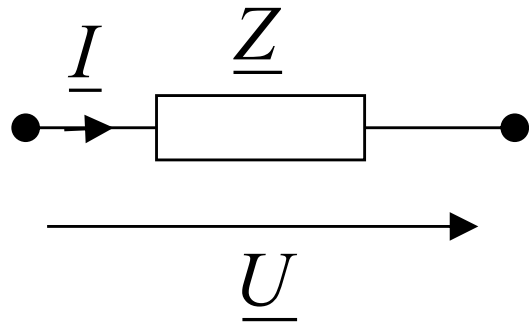
Reactive power

$$Q = -UI = \frac{U^2}{X_C} = X_C I^2$$

Instantaneous power :

$$p(t) = Q \sin(2\omega t + 2\alpha)$$

## P and Q for an impedance



$$\underline{U} = \underline{Z}\underline{I}$$

$$\underline{Z} = Ze^{j\varphi} = R + jX$$

Active power

$$P = UI \cos \varphi = RI^2$$

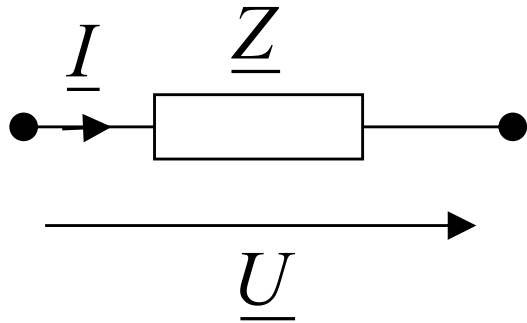
Reactive power

$$Q = UI \sin \varphi = XI^2$$

Instantaneous power :

$$p(t) = P[1 + \cos(2\omega t + 2\alpha)] + Q \sin(2\omega t + 2\alpha)$$

## Question



$$P = UI \cos \varphi = RI^2$$

What would be the expression of the active power expressed as a function of the voltage?

- A. Can not express it according to the voltage
- B.  $P = U^2 / R$
- C.  $P = RU^2 / Z^2$
- D. None of the above

# Complex apparent power

The complex apparent power, noted  $\underline{S}$ :

- The real part of  $\underline{S}$  corresponds to  $P$
- The imaginary part of  $\underline{S}$  corresponds to  $Q$
- Used to represent  $P$  and  $Q$  in complex form

$$\underline{S} = P + jQ$$

The apparent power unit is the voltampere (VA)

## S for an impedance

$$\underline{Z} = Ze^{j\varphi} = R + jX$$

$$P = UI \cos \varphi$$

$$Q = UI \sin \varphi$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \underline{S} &= P + jQ \\ &= UI \cos \varphi + jUI \sin \varphi \\ &= UI(\cos \varphi + j \sin \varphi) \\ &= UIe^{j\varphi} = Se^{j\varphi} \end{aligned}$$

$$S = \sqrt{P^2 + Q^2}$$

## S for an impedance

Taking the voltage as reference:

$$\underline{U} = U$$

We can write :

$$\underline{I} = I e^{-j\varphi}$$

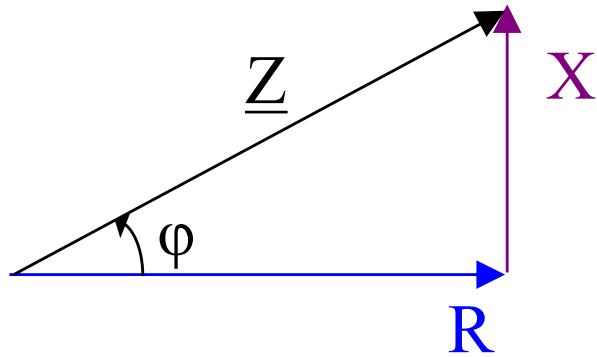
And then :

$$\underline{I}^* = I e^{j\varphi}$$

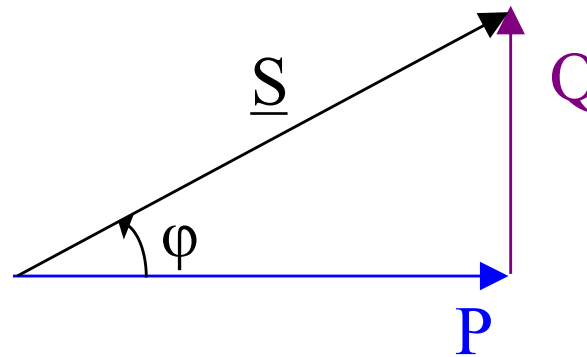
$$\Rightarrow \underline{S} = \underline{U} \underline{I}^*$$

# Apparent power

Triangle of impedances

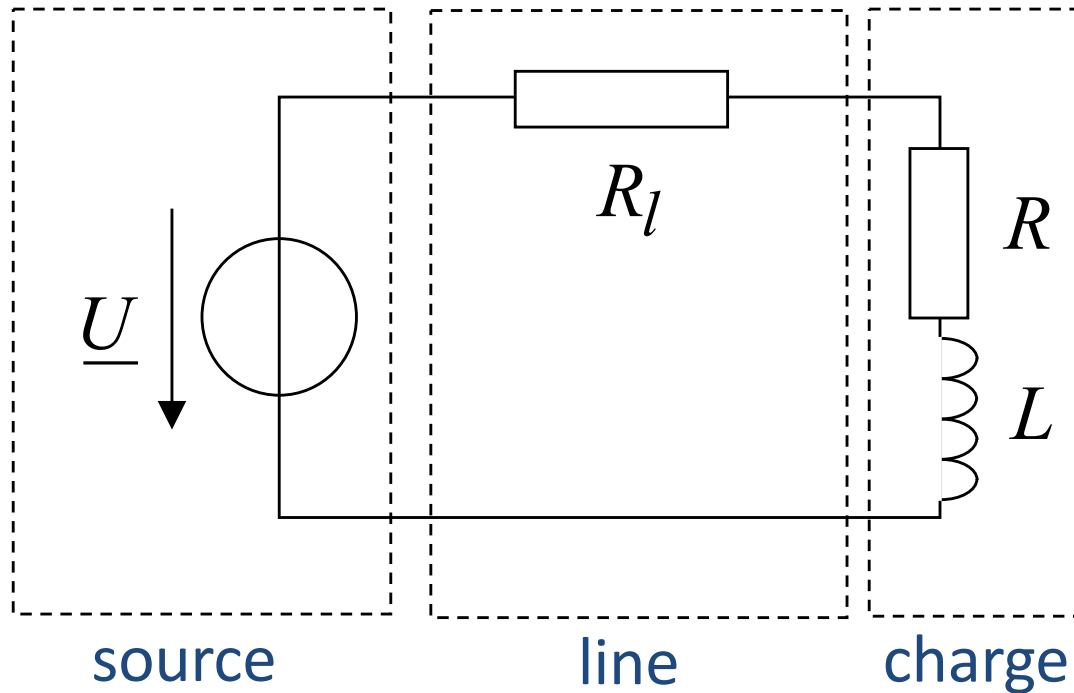


And of powers



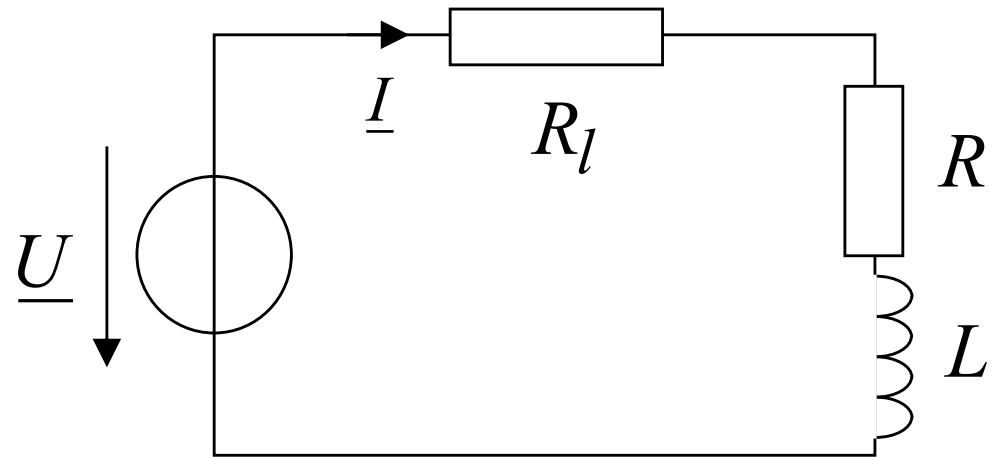
# Reactive power: example

- Single-phase line, RL charge in series



# Reactive power: example (continued)

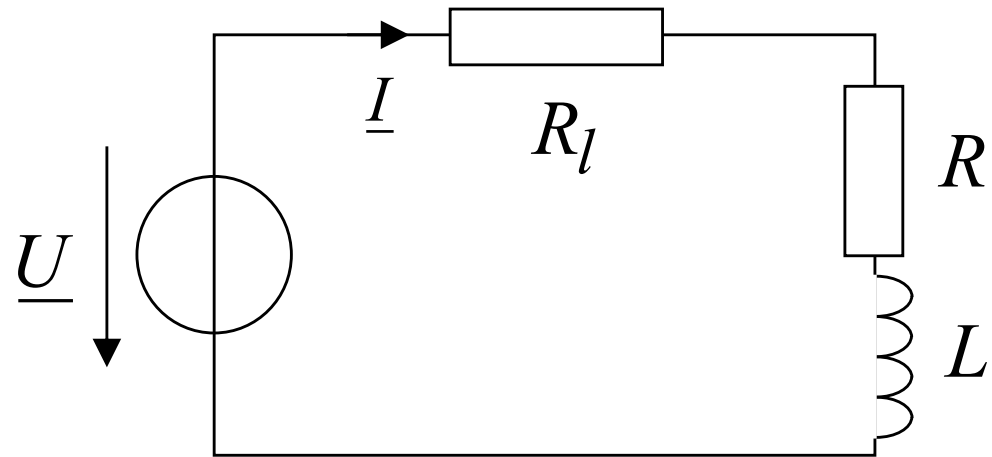
$$I = \frac{U}{\sqrt{(R_l + R)^2 + (\omega L)^2}}$$
$$\sin \varphi = \frac{\omega L}{\sqrt{(R_l + R)^2 + (\omega L)^2}}$$



$$R_l \ll R \quad \Longrightarrow \quad I \cong \frac{U}{\sqrt{R^2 + (\omega L)^2}}$$
$$\sin \varphi \cong \frac{\omega L}{\sqrt{R^2 + (\omega L)^2}}$$

# Reactive power: example (continued)

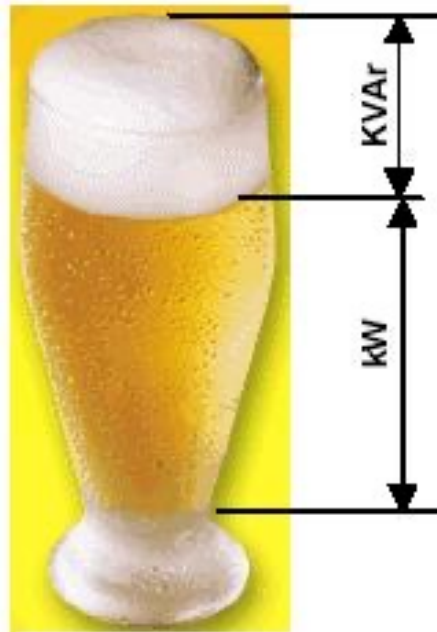
$$I \cong \frac{U}{\sqrt{R^2 + (\omega L)^2}}$$
$$\sin \varphi \cong \frac{\omega L}{\sqrt{R^2 + (\omega L)^2}}$$



Losses in the line:  $P_l = R_l I^2 = R_l I \frac{U}{\sqrt{R^2 + (\omega L)^2}} = \frac{R_l U I \sin \varphi}{\omega L}$

$\Rightarrow P_l = \frac{R_l}{\omega L} Q \Rightarrow$  Losses in the line are worth, to a factor, the reactive power

# Power: analogy



# Power factor

The power factor is defined by

$$F_p = \cos \varphi$$

$\varphi$  being between  $-\pi/2$  and  $\pi/2$ , the power factor is always positive and between 0 and 1

Resistance:  $F_p = 1$

Inductance:  $F_p = 0$

Capacitance:  $F_p = 0$

# Improving the power factor

- In general, in industry, charges are inductive in nature
- To get the most out of the equipment, the actual power must be as close as possible to the apparent power, i.e. the reactive power must be minimized

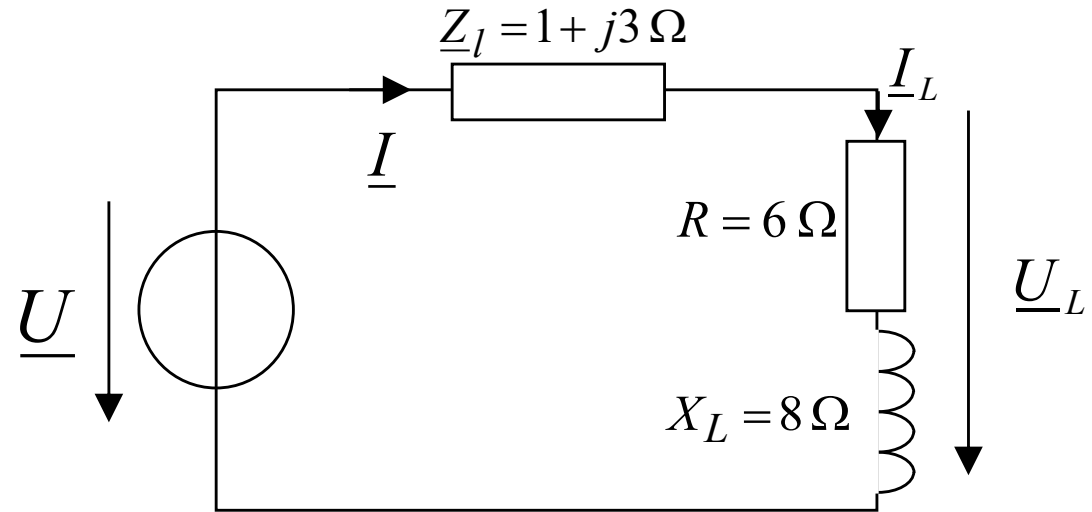
## Improving the power factor

- In the triangle of powers, the length  $S$  must tend towards the one of  $P$  and  $\phi$  must be as small as possible.
- This angle is reduced by adding capacitors in parallel with the charge: this is the correction of the power factor.

# Active and reactive powers: example

An industrial charge is represented by an impedance formed by the series setting of a resistor and an inductor. The voltage across the charge is  $\underline{U}_L = 250e^{j0}$  (V).

- Calculate the current  $\underline{I}_L$ , Q, P, S and  $F_p$  of the charge.
- Calculate the voltage of the source if the line connecting the source to the charge has a given impedance  $\underline{Z}_l$ . Calculate the power lost in the line.



- If we add a capacitor of  $X_C = -12.5 \Omega$  in parallel, calculate the current taken by the C, the new current supplied by the source and  $F_p$  of the entire charge and capacity (for the same voltage across the charge).
- Calculate the new voltage of the source and the new power loss in the line.

# Solution

a)

$$\underline{Z}_{ch} = 6 + j8 = 10e^{j53.1^\circ} \Omega$$

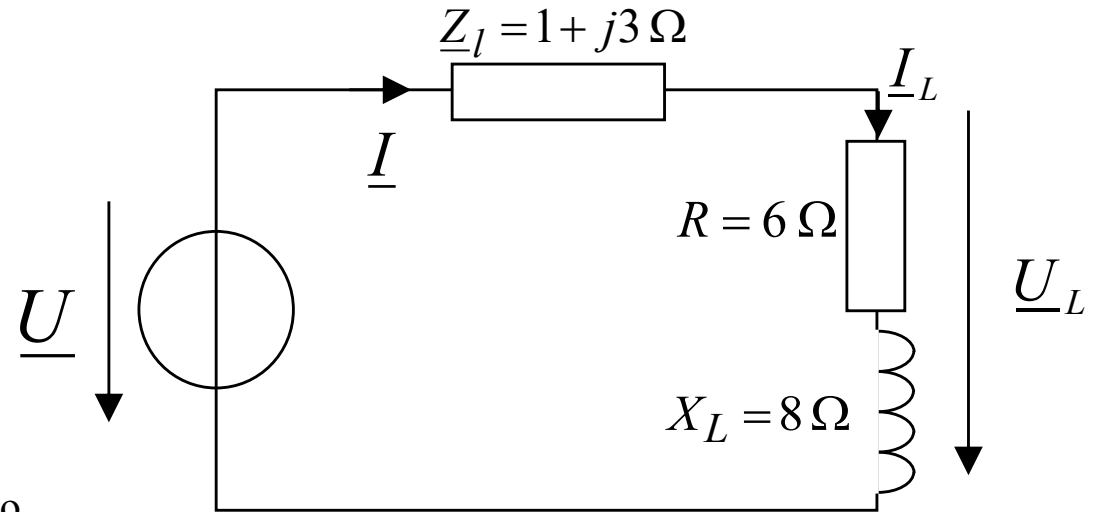
$$\underline{I}_L = \frac{250e^{j0^\circ}}{10e^{j53.1^\circ}} = 25e^{-j53.1^\circ} \text{ A}$$

$$\underline{S} = 250e^{j0^\circ} 25e^{j53.1^\circ} = 6.25e^{j53.1^\circ} \text{ kVA}$$

$$P = 6.25 \cos 53.1^\circ = 3.75 \text{ kW}$$

$$Q = 6.25 \sin 53.1^\circ = 5.0 \text{ kvar}$$

$$F_p = \cos 53.1^\circ = +0.6$$



# Active and reactive powers: example

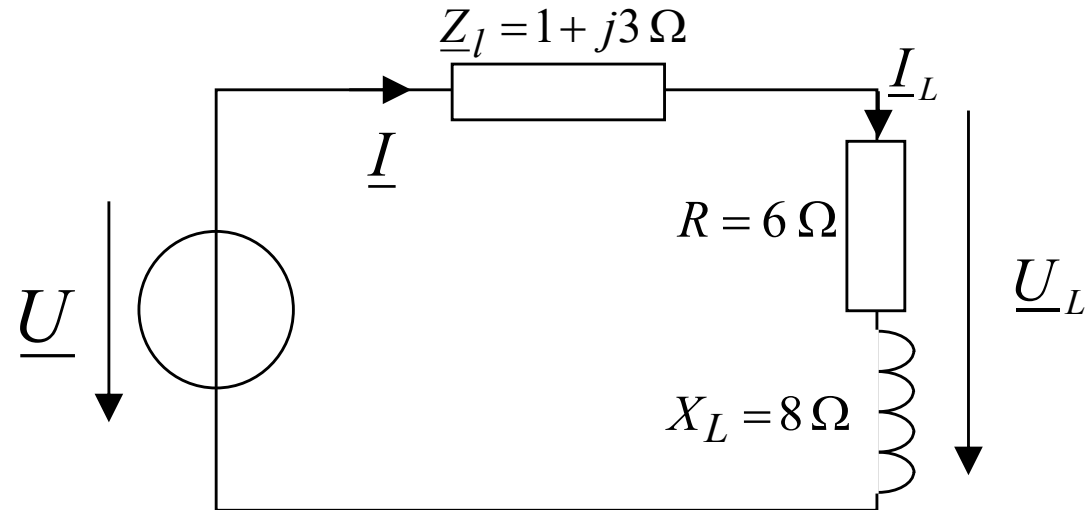
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**b) Calculate the voltage of the source if the line connecting the source to the charge has a given impedance  $\underline{Z}_l$ . Calculate the power lost in the line.**

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d) Calculate the new voltage of the source and the new power loss in the line.



## Solution (continued)

b)

$$\underline{U} = \underline{Z}_l \underline{I}_L + \underline{U}_L$$

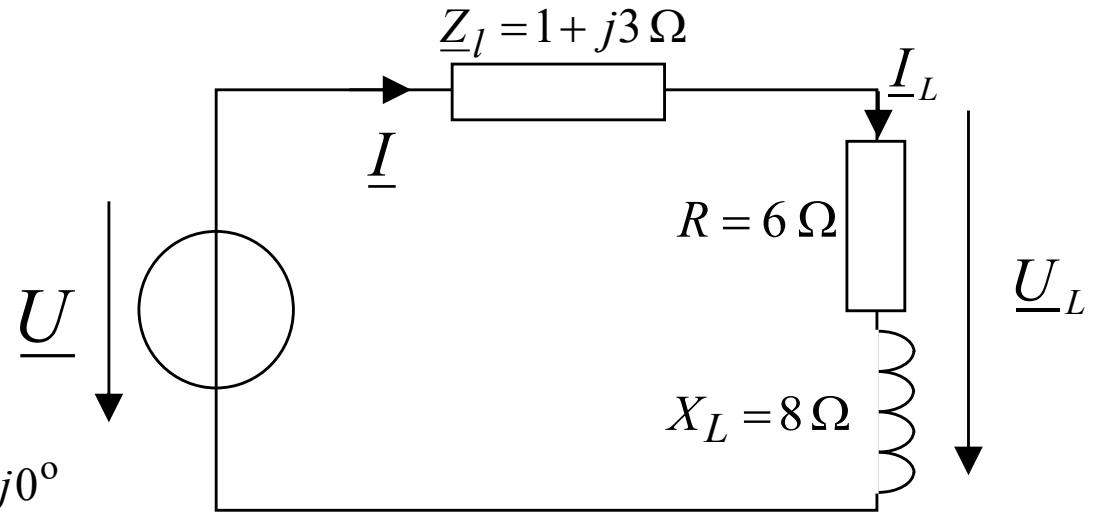
$$\underline{Z}_l = 1 + 3j = 3.16e^{j71.57^\circ} \Omega$$

$$\underline{U} = 3.16e^{j71.6^\circ} 25e^{-j53.1^\circ} + 250e^{j0^\circ}$$

$$= 79e^{j18.5^\circ} + 250e^{j0^\circ}$$

$$= 325.8e^{j4.4^\circ} \text{ V}$$

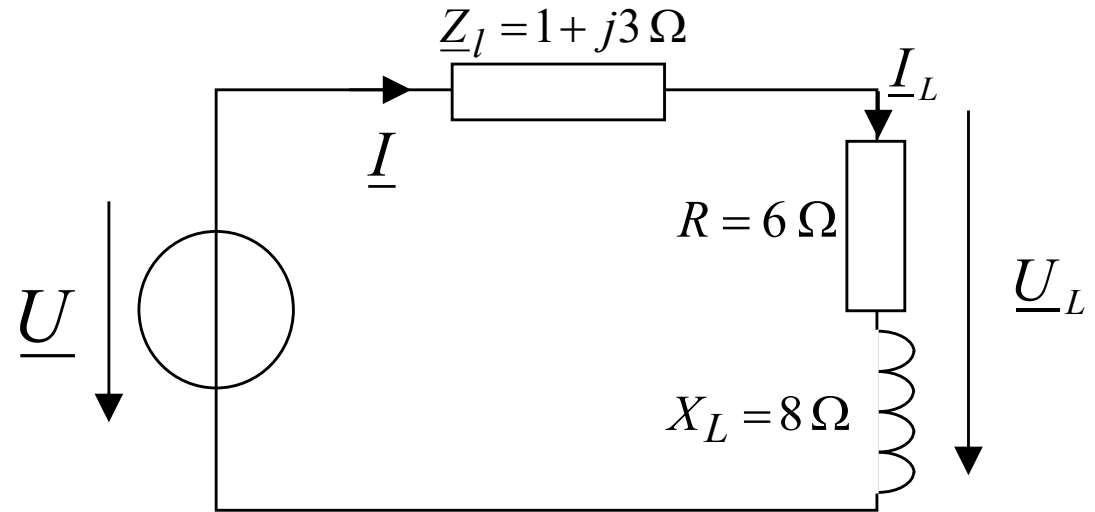
$$\underline{P}_l = R_l I^2 = R_l I_L^2 = 625 \text{ W}$$



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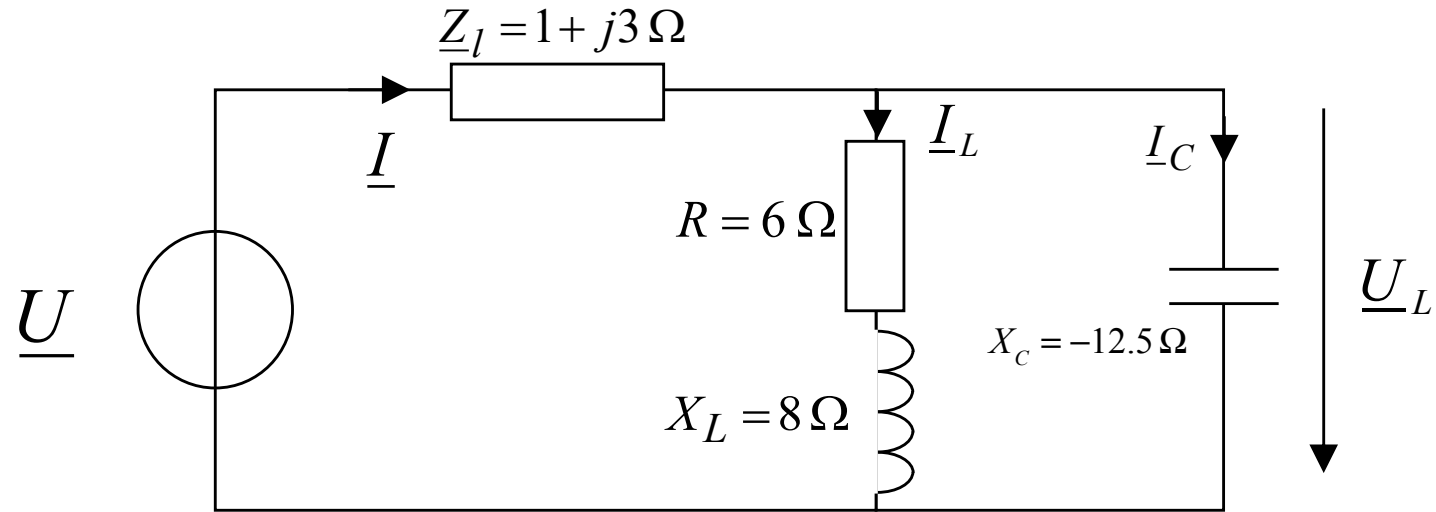
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## Solution (continued)

c)



$$\underline{I}_C = \frac{\underline{U}_L}{Z_C} = \frac{250}{12.5e^{-j90^\circ}} = 20e^{j90^\circ} \quad A$$

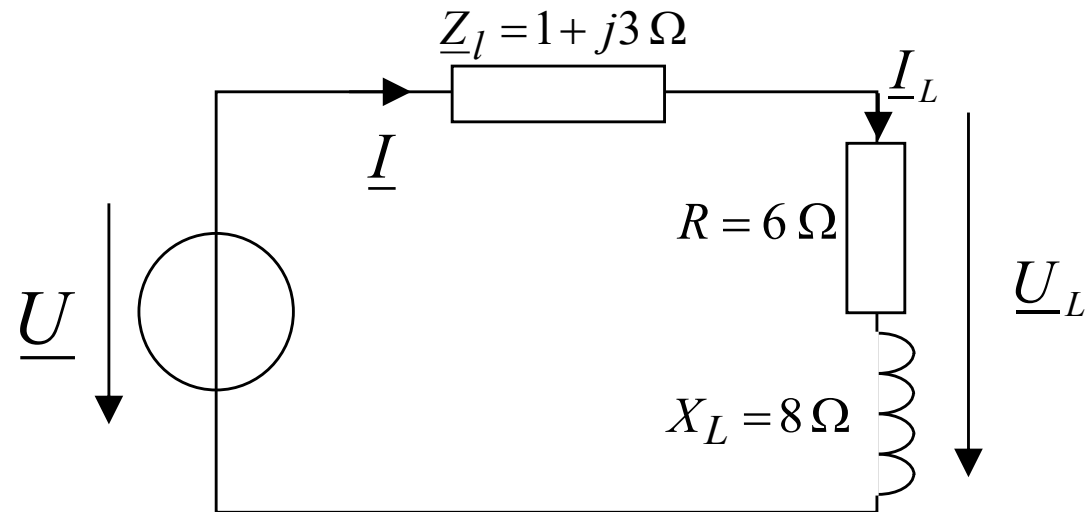
$$\underline{I} = \underline{I}_L + \underline{I}_C = 25e^{-j53.1^\circ} + 20e^{j90^\circ} = 15e^{j0^\circ} \quad A$$

$$F_p = \cos 0^\circ = 1$$

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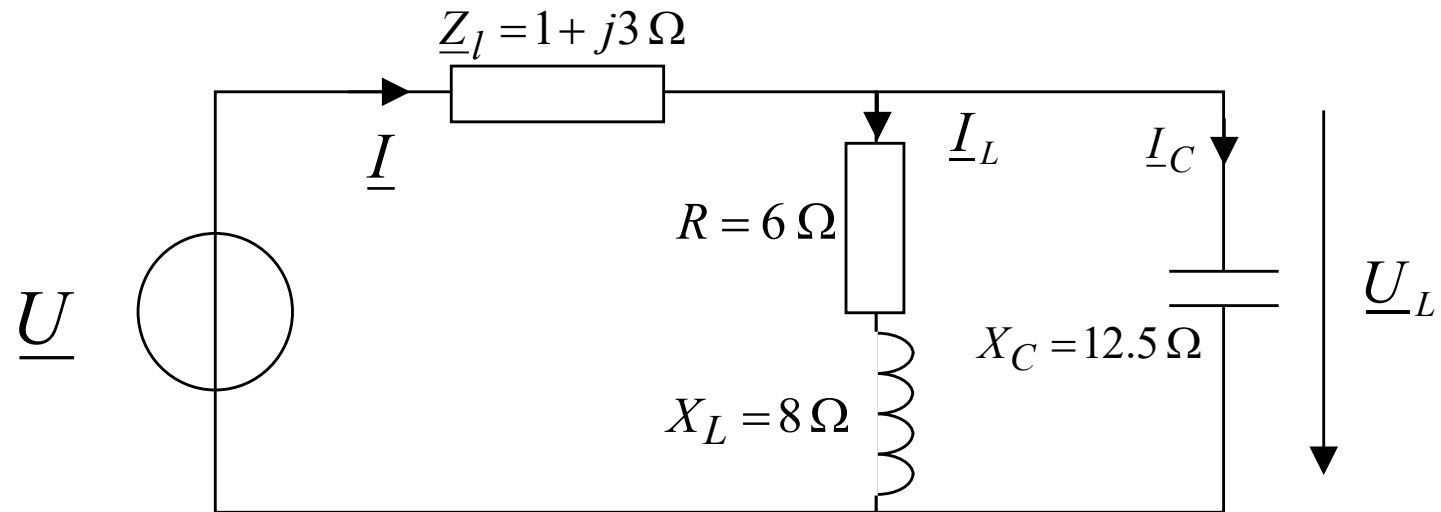


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## Solution (continued)

d)



$$\begin{aligned}\underline{U} &= 3.16e^{j71.6^\circ} 15e^{j0^\circ} + 250e^{j0^\circ} \\ &= 47.4e^{j71.6^\circ} + 250e^{j0^\circ} \\ &= 265 + j45 = 269e^{j10^\circ} \text{ V}\end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{P}_l = R_l I^2 = 225 \text{ W}$$