



IN THIS CHAPTER, you will learn about and analyze AC circuits.

### Chapter 32 Preview

### What is an AC circuit?

The circuits of Chapter 28, with a steady current in one direction, are called DC circuits—direct current. A circuit with an oscillating emf is called an AC circuit, for alternating current. The wires that transport electricity across the country—the grid use alternating current.

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How do circuit elements act in an AC circuit? Resistors in an AC circuit act as they do in a DC circuit. But you'll learn that capacitors and inductors are more useful in AC circuits than in DC circuits.

- The voltage across and the current through a capacitor or inductor are 90° out of phase. One is peaking when the other is zero, and vice versa.
- The peak voltage V and peak current I have an Ohm's-law-like relationship V = IX, where X, which depends on frequency, is called the reactance.
- Unlike resistors, capacitors and inductors do not dissipate energy.
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### What is an RLC circuit?

A circuit with a resistor, inductor, and capacitor in series is called an *RLC* circuit. An *RLC* circuit has a resonance—a large current over a narrow range of frequencies—that allows it to be tuned to a specific frequency. As a result, *RLC* circuits are very important in communications.



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### Chapter 32 Preview

### Why are AC circuits important?

AC circuits are the backbone of our technological society. Generators automatically produce an oscillating emf, AC power is easily transported over large distances, and transformers allow engineers to shift the AC voltage up or down. The circuits of radio, television, and cell phones are also AC circuits because they work with oscillating voltages and currents—at much higher frequencies than the grid, but the physical principles are the same.

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**Chapter 32 Reading Questions** 

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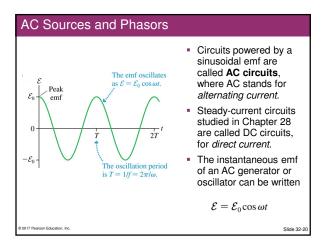
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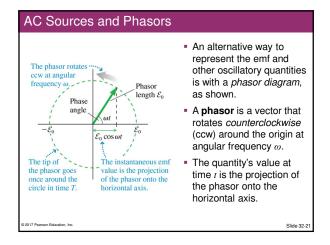
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### Chapter 32 Content, Examples, and QuickCheck Questions

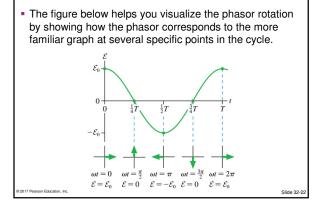
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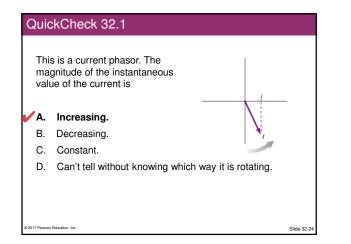


### AC Sources and Phasors



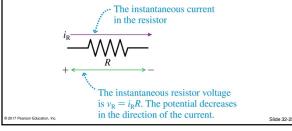


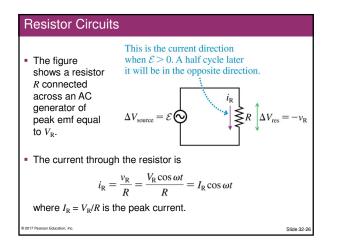
# QuickCheck 32.1 This is a current phasor. The magnitude of the instantaneous value of the current is A. Increasing. B. Decreasing. C. Constant. D. Can't tell without knowing which way it is rotating.



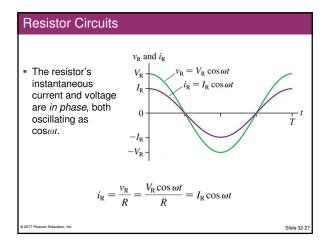
### **Resistor Circuits**

- In Chapter 28 we used the symbols *I* and *V* for DC current and voltage.
- Now, because the current and voltage are oscillating, we will use lowercase *i* to represent the instantaneous current and v for the instantaneous voltage.





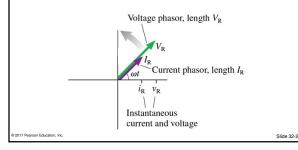




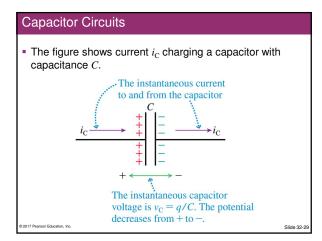


### Resistor Circuits

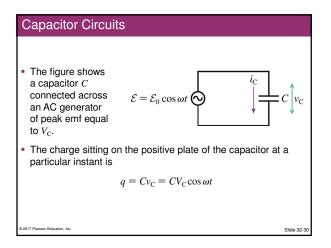
- Below is the phasor diagram for the resistor circuit.
- V<sub>R</sub> and I<sub>R</sub> point in the same direction, indicating that resistor voltage and current oscillate in phase.











### **Capacitor Circuits**

The current is the rate at which charge flows through the wires,  $i_{\rm C} = dq/dt$ , thus

$$i_{\rm C} = \frac{dq}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt}(CV_{\rm C}\cos\omega t) = -\omega CV_{\rm C}\sin\omega t$$

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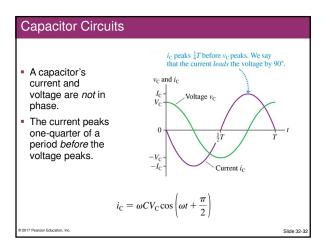
 We can most easily see the relationship between the capacitor voltage and current if we use the trigonometric identity

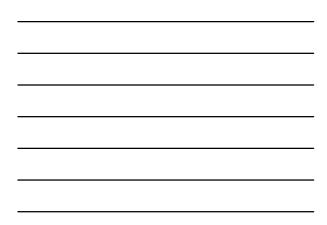
$$-\sin(x) = \cos(x + \pi/2)$$

to write

$$i_{\rm C} = \omega C V_{\rm C} \cos\left(\omega t + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

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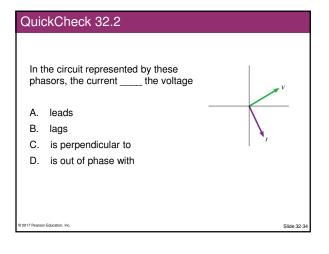
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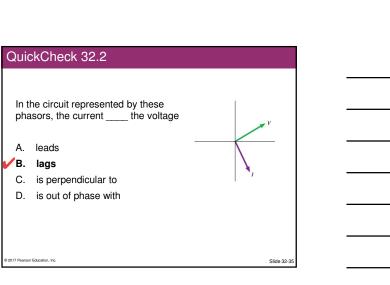
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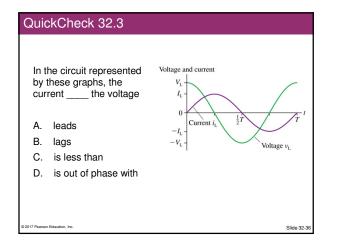
- Below is the phasor diagram for the capacitor circuit.
- The AC current of a capacitor *leads* the capacitor voltage by  $\pi/2$  rad, or 90°.  $I_{c}$  The current phasor leads the voltage phasor by 90°.  $\omega t + \frac{\pi}{2}$  Voltage phasor  $V_{c}$  Voltage phasor  $V_{c}$  These are the instantaneous

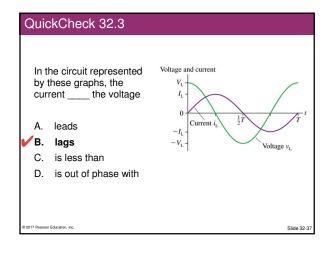
current and voltage.



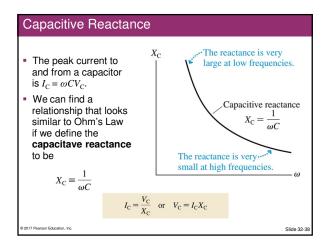




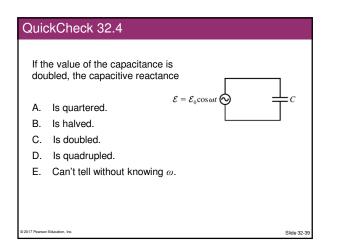


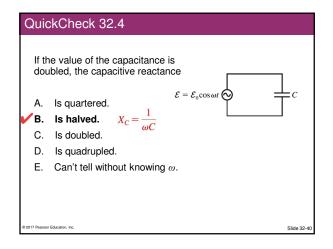




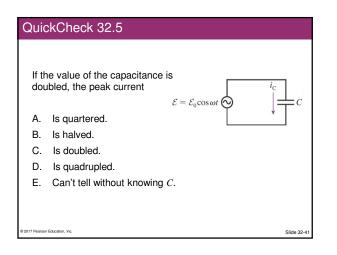


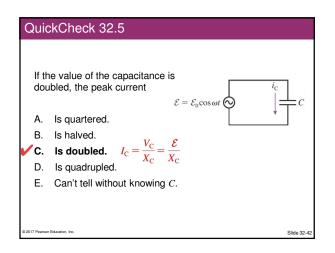








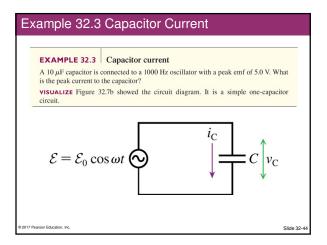






### Example 32.2 Capacitive Reactance

**EXAMPLE 3.2** Capacitive reactance Matic the capacitive reactance of a 0.10  $\mu$ F capacitor at 100 Hz (an audio frequency): **SOLVE** At 100 Hz,  $\mu_{C}(at 100 Hz) = \frac{1}{\omega C} = \frac{1}{2\pi (100 Hz)(10 \times 10^{-7} F)} = 16,000 \Omega$ Matic reacting the frequency by a factor of 10<sup>6</sup>, giving:  $\mu_{C}(at 100 Hz) = 0.016 \Omega$ **SESSS** A capacitor with a substantial reactance at audio frequencies has virtually no reactance at FM-radio frequencies.



### Example 32.3 Capacitor Current

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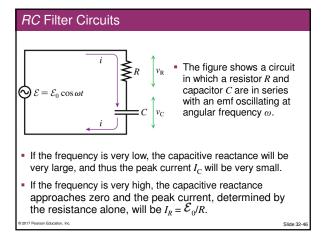
**SOLVE** The capacitive reactance at  $\omega = 2\pi f = 6280$  rad/s is

$$X_{\rm C} = \frac{1}{\omega C} = \frac{1}{(6280 \text{ rad/s})(10 \times 10^{-6} \text{ F})} = 16 \ \Omega$$

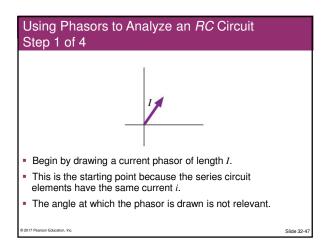
The peak voltage across the capacitor is  $V_{\rm C} = \mathcal{E}_0 = 5.0$  V; hence the peak current is

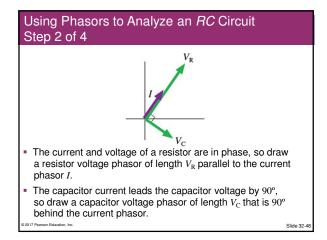
$$I_{\rm C} = \frac{V_{\rm C}}{X_{\rm C}} = \frac{5.0 \text{ V}}{16 \Omega} = 0.31 \text{ A}$$

**ASSESS** Using reactance is just like using Ohm's law, but don't forget it applies to only the *peak* current and voltage, not the instantaneous values.

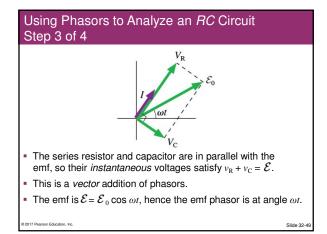




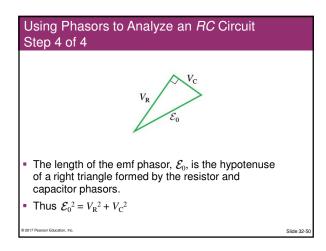












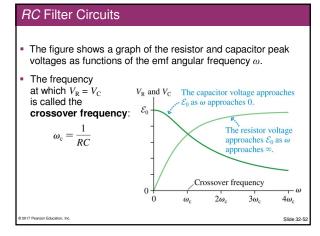
### RC Filter Circuits

- The relationship  $\mathcal{E}_0^2 = V_R^2 + V_C^2$  is based on the peak values.
- The peak voltages are related to the peak current by  $V_{\rm R}$  = IR and  $V_{\rm C}$  = IX\_{\rm C}, so

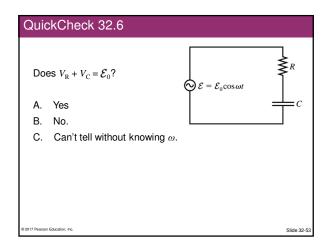
$$\mathcal{E}_0^2 = V_{\rm R}^2 + V_{\rm C}^2 = (IR)^2 + (IX_{\rm C})^2 = (R^2 + X_{\rm C}^2)I^2$$
$$= (R^2 + 1/\omega^2 C^2)I^2$$

 This can be solved for the peak current, which in turn gives us the two peak voltages:

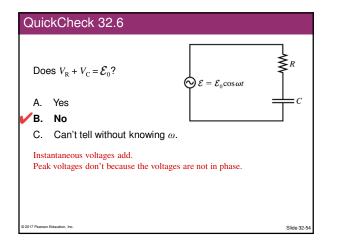
$$\begin{split} V_{\mathrm{R}} &= IR = \frac{\mathcal{E}_{0}R}{\sqrt{R^{2} + X_{\mathrm{C}}^{2}}} = \frac{\mathcal{E}_{0}R}{\sqrt{R^{2} + 1/\omega^{2}C^{2}}}\\ V_{\mathrm{C}} &= IX_{\mathrm{C}} = \frac{\mathcal{E}_{0}X_{\mathrm{C}}}{\sqrt{R^{2} + X_{\mathrm{C}}^{2}}} = \frac{\mathcal{E}_{0}/\omega C}{\sqrt{R^{2} + 1/\omega^{2}C^{2}}} \end{split}$$
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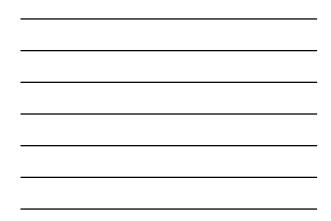






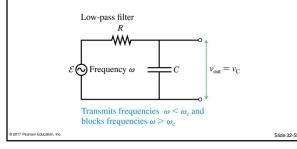






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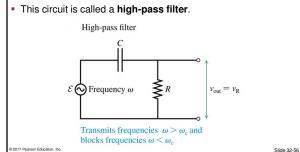
- The figure below shows an RC circuit in which  $\nu_{\rm C}$  is the output voltage.
- This circuit is called a **low-pass filter**.





### **RC** Filter Circuits

- The figure below shows an *RC* circuit in which  $v_R$  is the *output voltage*.



### **Inductor Circuits**

- The figure shows the instantaneous current i<sub>L</sub> through an inductor.
- If the current is *changing*, the instantaneous inductor voltage is
   The instantaneous current

$$v_{\rm L} = L \frac{di_{\rm L}}{dt}$$

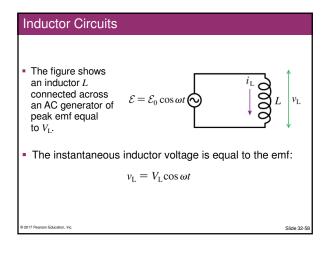
 The potential decreases in the direction of the current if the current is increasing, and increases if the current is decreasing.

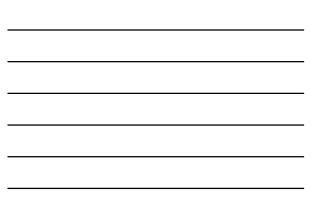
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through the inductor  

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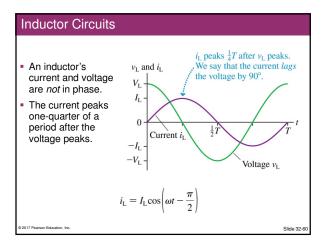
The instantaneous inductor voltage is  $v_{\rm L} = L(di_{\rm L}/dt)$ .





### Inductor Circuits • Combining the two previous equations for $v_L$ gives $di_L = \frac{v_L}{L} dt = \frac{V_L}{L} \cos \omega t dt$ • Integrating gives $i_L = \frac{V_L}{L} \int \cos \omega t dt = \frac{V_L}{\omega L} \sin \omega t = \frac{V_L}{\omega L} \cos \left( \omega t - \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$ $= I_L \cos \left( \omega t - \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$ where $I_L = V_L / \omega L$ is the peak or maximum inductor current.

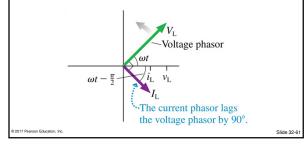
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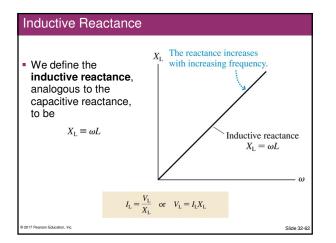


### Inductor Circuits

- Below is the phasor diagram for the inductor circuit.
- The AC current through an inductor *lags* the inductor voltage by  $\pi/2$  rad, or 90°.



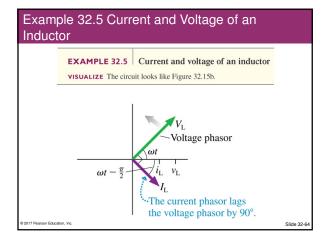




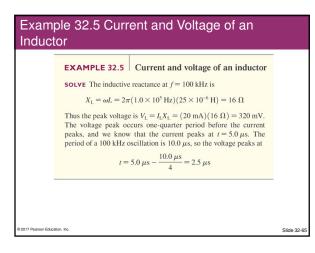


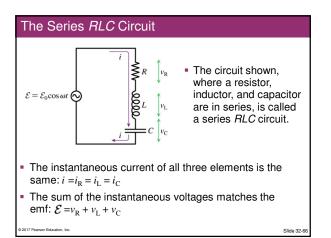
### Example 32.5 Current and Voltage of an<br/>InductorEXAMPLE 32.5Current and voltage of an inductorA 25 $\mu$ H inductor is used in a circuit that oscillates at 100 kHz.<br/>The current through the inductor reaches a peak value of 20 mA<br/>at $t = 5.0 \ \mu$ s. What is the peak inductor voltage, and when, closest<br/>to $t = 5.0 \ \mu$ s. does it occur?MODEL The inductor current lags the voltage by 90°, or, equivalently, the voltage reaches its peak value one-quarter period before<br/>the current.

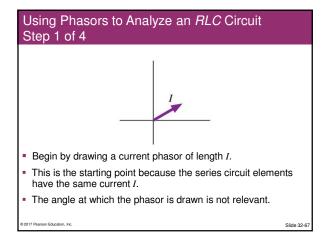
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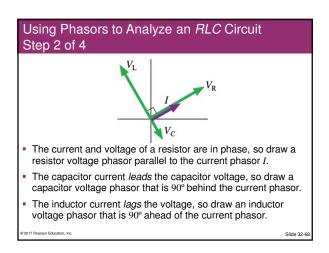


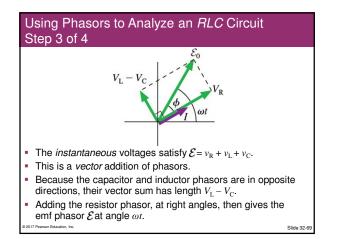


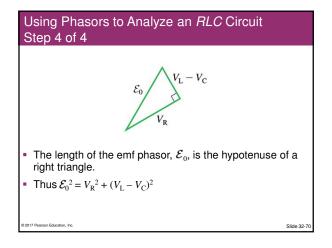












### The Series RLC Circuit

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• If  $V_{\rm L} < V_{\rm C}$ , which we've assumed, then the instantaneous current *i* lags the emf by a phase angle  $\phi$ :

 $i = I\cos\left(\omega t - \phi\right)$ 

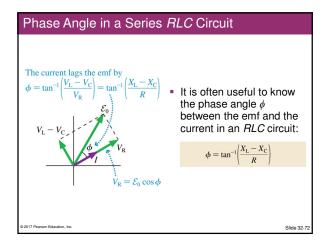
Based on the right-triangle, the square of the peak voltage is

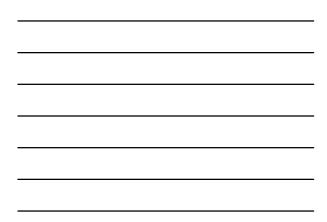
$$\mathcal{E}_0^2 = V_{\rm R}^2 + (V_{\rm L} - V_{\rm C})^2 = [R^2 + (X_{\rm L} - X_{\rm C})^2]I^2$$

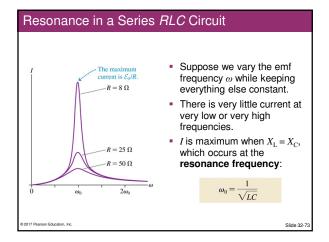
where we wrote each of the peak voltages in terms of the peak current *I* and a resistance or a reactance.

- Consequently, the peak current in the RLC circuit is

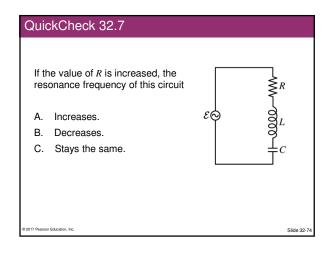
$$I = \frac{\mathcal{E}_0}{\sqrt{R^2 + (X_{\rm L} - X_{\rm C})^2}} = \frac{\mathcal{E}_0}{\sqrt{R^2 + (\omega L - 1/\omega C)^2}}$$

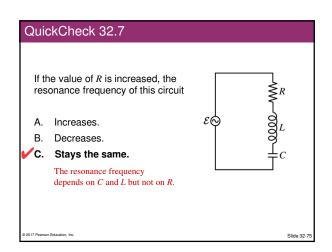




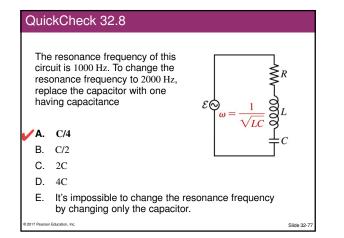


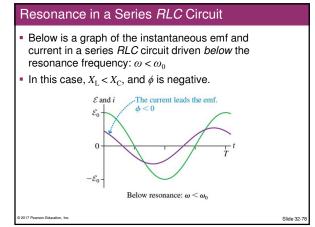


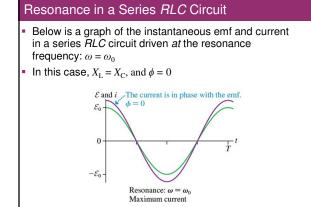




### QuickCheck 32.8 The resonance frequency of this circuit is 1000 Hz. To change the W ODDL resonance frequency to 2000 Hz, replace the capacitor with one having capacitance εØ A. C/4 CВ. C/2 C. 2C D. 4C E. It's impossible to change the resonance frequency by changing only the capacitor. on Education, Inc Slide 32-76







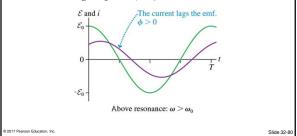


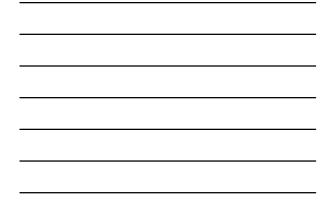
### Resonance in a Series RLC Circuit

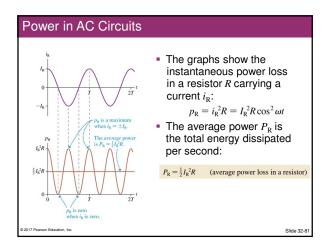
Below is a graph of the instantaneous emf and current in a series *RLC* circuit driven *above* the resonance frequency:  $\omega > \omega_0$ 

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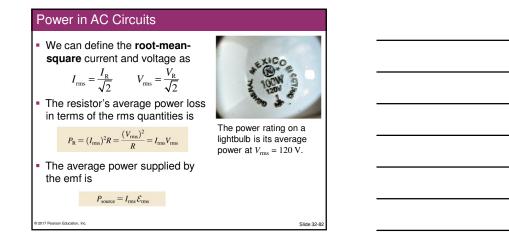
• In this case,  $X_{\rm L} > X_{\rm C}$ , and  $\phi$  is positive.

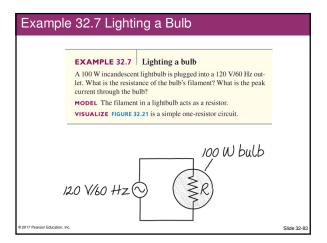


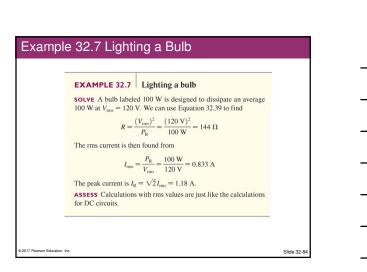


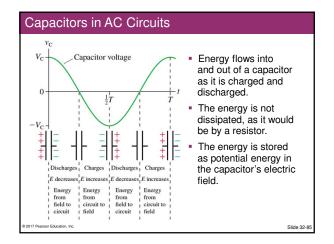














### Capacitors in AC Circuits - The instantaneous power flowing into a capacitor is $p_{\rm C} = v_{\rm C} i_{\rm C} = (V_{\rm C} \cos \omega t)(-\omega C V_{\rm C} \sin \omega t) =$ $\omega C V_{\rm C}^2 \sin 2\omega t$ Discharges Charges Dischar Char E decreas E increases E decrea Eincrea Energy from field to Energy from circuit to Energy from field to erage $-P_{-}$ power is zero. Capacitor power Slide 32-8 on Education, In

### The Power Factor in RLC Circuits

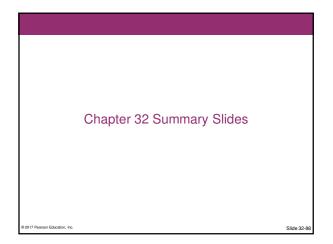
- In an *RLC* circuit, energy is supplied by the emf and dissipated by the resistor.
- The average power supplied by the emf is:

### $P_{\text{source}} = \frac{1}{2} I \mathcal{E}_0 \cos \phi = I_{\text{rms}} \mathcal{E}_{\text{rms}} \cos \phi$

- The term cos φ, called the power factor, arises because the current and the emf are not in phase.
- Large industrial motors, such as the one shown, operate most efficiently, doing the maximum work per second, when the power factor is as close to 1 as possible.

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Important (	Concepts	
	AC circuits are driven by an $\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{E}_0 \cos \omega t$ that oscillates with angular for <b>Phasors</b> can be used to represent the oscillating emf, current, and voltage.	
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