

# Information Transmission

## Appendix B, Circuit theory

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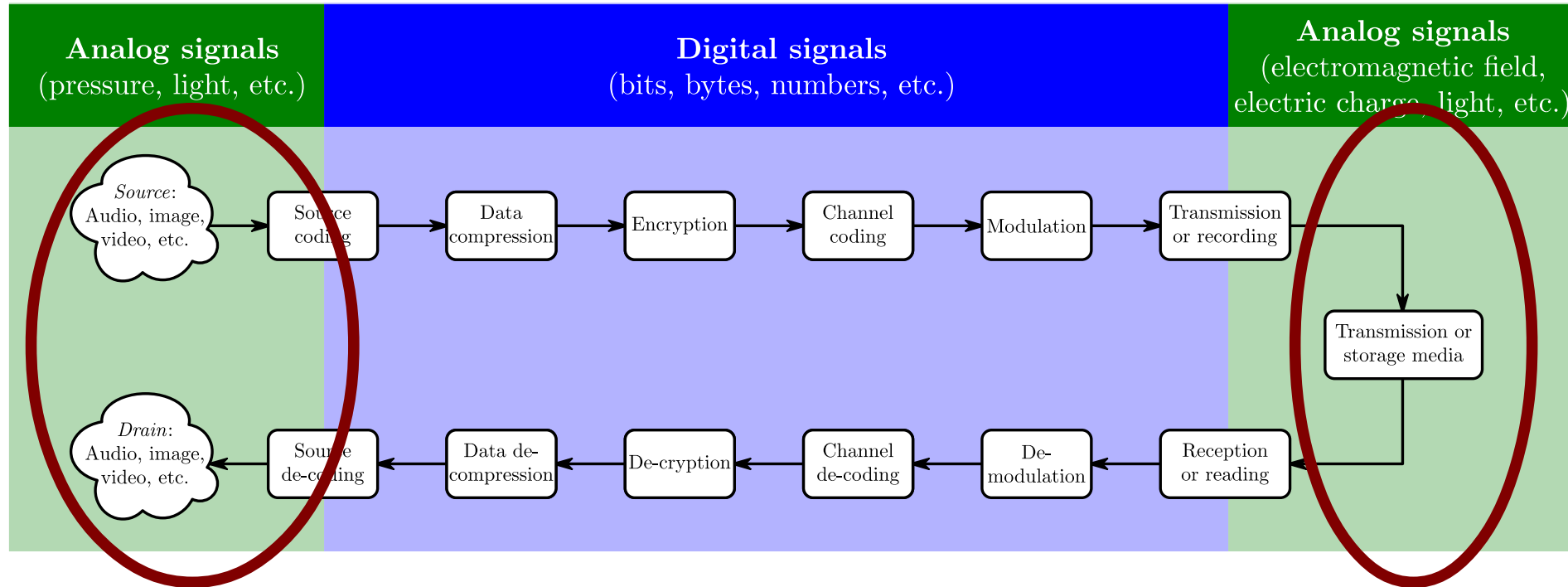
# Learning outcomes

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After this lecture the student should

- Know the properties of, and be able to perform basic calculations with, resistors, inductors and capacitors
- Know how resistors, inductors, and capacitors, behave when sinusoidal signals are applied.
- Know Kirchhoff's voltage and current laws and understand how they are applied to perform basic calculations on electronic circuits.
- Understand the impedance concept and how to calculate the total impedance of multiple impedances connected in serial or parallel

# Where are we in the BIG PICTURE?



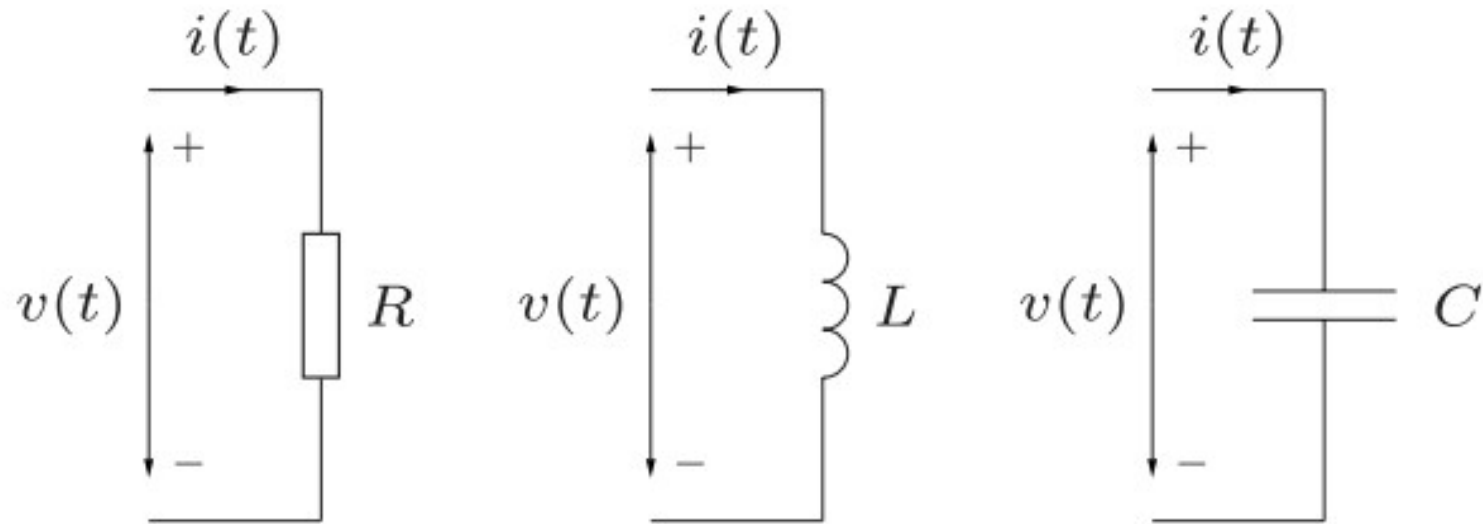
Electronics for analog input and output, including sampling and reconstruction.

Lecture relates to pages 281–293 in textbook.

Models of transmission and storage media.

# Resistors, Inductors, Capacitors

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# Resistors

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Ohm's law: the voltage  $v(t)$  volt [V] across a resistor with resistance  $R$  ohm [ $\Omega$ ] is proportional to the current  $i(t)$  ampère [A] through the resistance.



$$v(t) = Ri(t) \quad (\text{B.1})$$

For  $i(t) = e^{j\omega_0 t}$  we have

$$v(t) = \underbrace{R}_{\text{Does not depend on frequency.}} e^{j\omega_0 t} \quad (\text{B.2})$$

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on frequency.

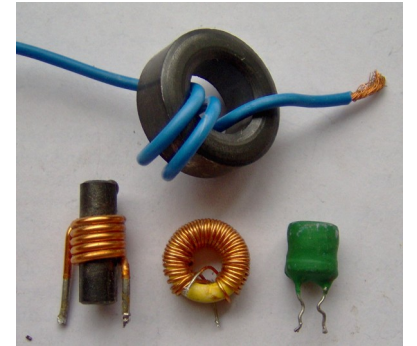
# Inductors

The voltage across an inductor with inductance  $L$  henry [H] is proportional to the derivative of the current  $i(t)$  through the inductor.

$$v(t) = L \frac{di(t)}{dt} \quad (\text{B.3})$$

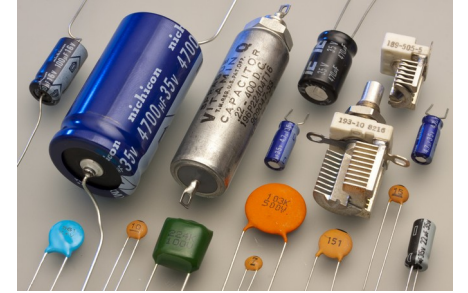
For  $i(t) = e^{j\omega_0 t}$  we have

$$v(t) = \underbrace{j\omega_0 L}_{\text{Depends (increases) with frequency.}} e^{j\omega_0 t} \quad (\text{B.4})$$



# Capacitors

The charge  $q(t)$  coulombs [C] of a capacitor with capacitance  $C$  farad [F] is proportional to the voltage across the capacitor:



$$q(t) = Cv(t)$$

Since  $q(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t i(\tau)d\tau$ , we have

$$v(t) = \frac{1}{C} \int_{-\infty}^t i(\tau)d\tau$$

For  $i(t) = e^{j\omega_0 t}$  we have

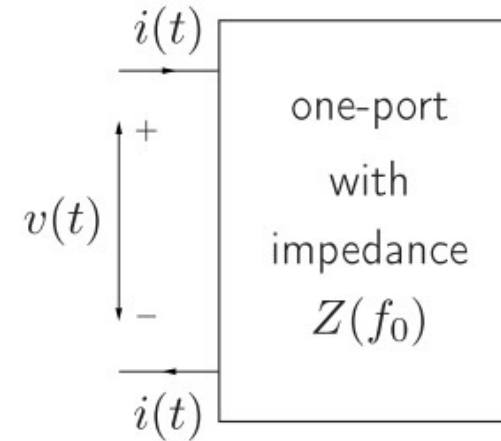
$$v(t) = \frac{1}{C} \int_{-\infty}^t e^{j\omega_0 \tau} d\tau = \frac{1}{j\omega_0 C} e^{j\omega_0 t}$$

Depends on  
(decreases with)  
frequency.

# Impedance

The one-port shown in Fig. B.2 is a network consisting of resistors, inductors, and capacitors. The voltage across the one-port is  $v(t) = e^{j\omega_0 t}$ .

The current  $i(t)$  will also be a complex exponential signal; but, in general, with different amplitude and phase.



We have

$$v(t) = Z(f_0)i(t)$$

where  $Z(f_0)$  is called the impedance.



# Impedance

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*The impedance is in general complex and dependent on the frequency  $f_0$ , but if the one-port consists only of resistors, then its impedance will always be real and independent of the frequency  $f_0$ ; that is, it is a resistance.*

*Ohm's law for alternating current holds only for stationary sinusoidal voltages and currents (including the special case when  $f_0 = 0$ ).*

# Kirchhoff's current law

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*Kirchhoff's current law (KCL): The algebraic sum of the currents entering any node is identically zero for all instants of time.*

OR:

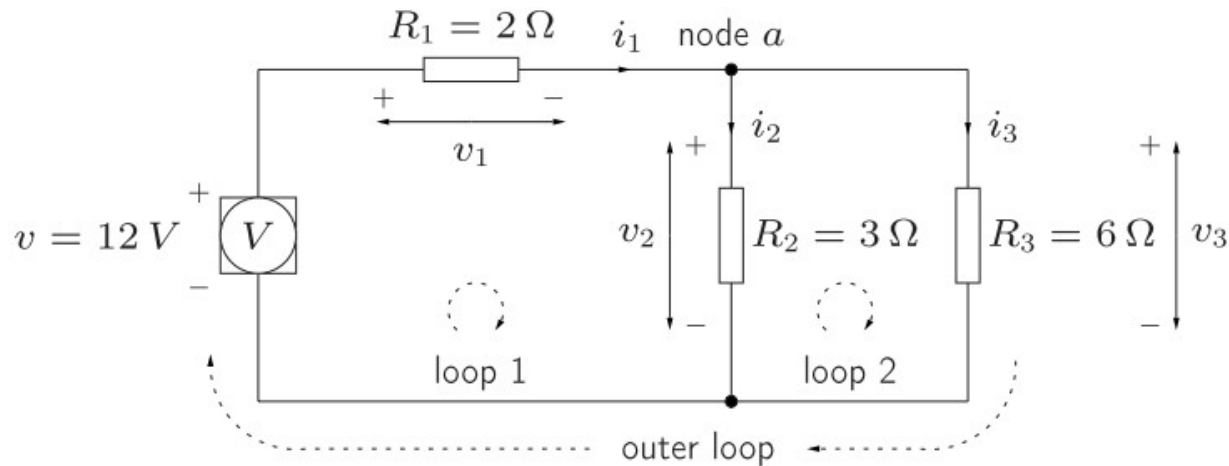
*KCL: Sum of currents flowing into a node  
= sum of currents leaving the node*

# Kirchhoff's voltage law

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*Kirchhoff's voltage law (KVL): The algebraic sum of the voltages around any closed path, or loop, in a circuit is identically zero for all instants of time.*

# Example 1 (Example B.1 in textbook)



What is  $i_1, i_2, i_3, v_1, v_2, v_3$ ?

Six unknowns –  
we need six equations!

One of these are  
redundant, so we need  
one more.

Kirchoff's current law:

$$i_1 - i_2 - i_3 = 0 \quad (\text{node a})$$

Ohms law:

$$v_1 = 2i_1 \quad (\text{resistor } R_1)$$

$$v_2 = 3i_2 \quad (\text{resistor } R_2)$$

$$v_3 = 6i_3 \quad (\text{resistor } R_3)$$

Kirchoff's voltage law:

$$12 - v_1 - v_2 = 0 \quad (\text{loop 1})$$

$$v_2 - v_3 = 0 \quad (\text{loop 2})$$

$$12 - v_1 - v_3 = 0 \quad (\text{outer loop})$$

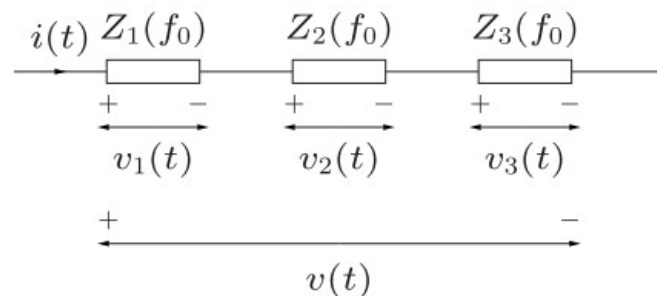
$$\text{Solution: } i_1 = 3 \text{ A}, i_2 = 2 \text{ A}, i_3 = 1 \text{ A}, v_1 = v_2 = v_3 = 6 \text{ V}$$

# Serial impedance

Consider three impedances connected in a serial manner.

Assuming that the current  $i(t)$  is sinusoidal with frequency  $f_0$ , let  $Z_s(f_0)$  denote the impedance of this serial circuit.

$$v(t) = Z_s(f_0)i(t)$$

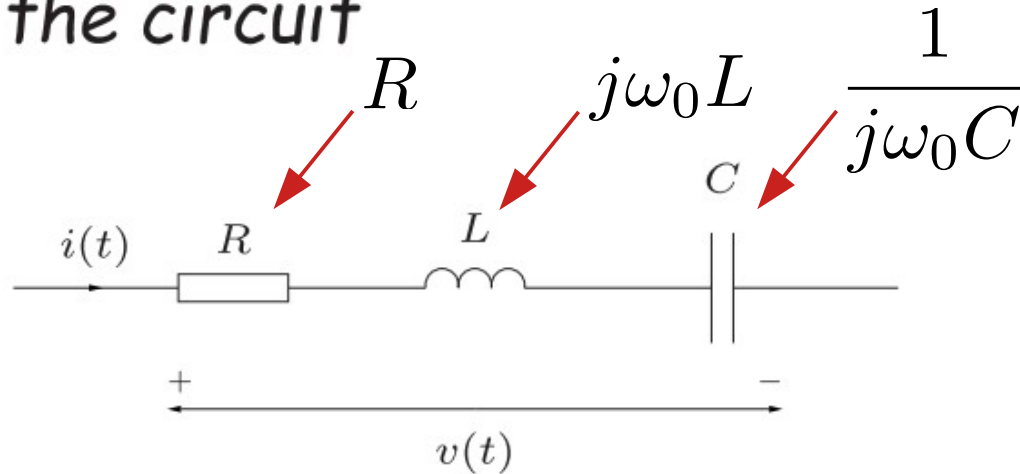


The impedance for the serial circuit is

$$Z(f_0) = Z_1(f_0) + Z_2(f_0) + Z_3(f_0)$$

# Example 2 (Example B.2 in textbook)

Consider the circuit



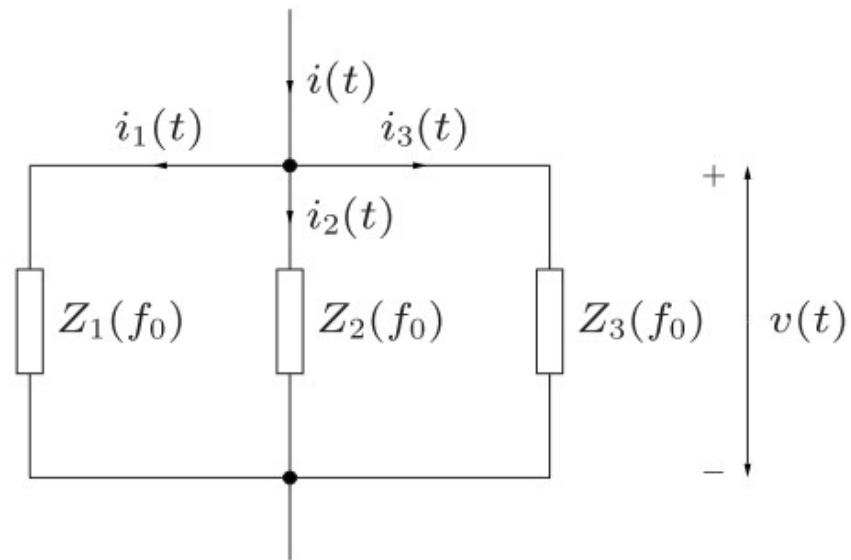
The current  $i(t)$  is a sinusoid of frequency  $f_0$  Hz. What is  $v(t)$ ?

Total (serial) impedance at frequency  $f_0 = \frac{\omega_0}{2\pi}$ :  $Z(\omega_0) = R + j\omega_0 L + \frac{1}{j\omega_0 C}$

Ohm's law gives:  $v(t) = Z(\omega_0)i(t) = (R + j\omega_0 L + \frac{1}{j\omega_0 C})e^{j\omega_0 t}$

# Parallel impedances

*Consider three impedances connected in parallel:*



What is the equivalent parallel impedance?

# Parallel impedances

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*The impedance for the parallel circuit is written*

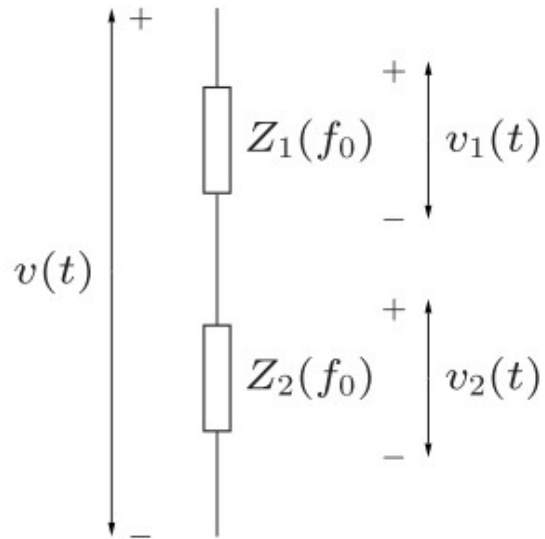
$$\frac{1}{Z_p(f_0)} = \frac{1}{Z_1(f_0)} + \frac{1}{Z_2(f_0)} + \frac{1}{Z_3(f_0)}$$

Often we have only two impedances in parallel and get

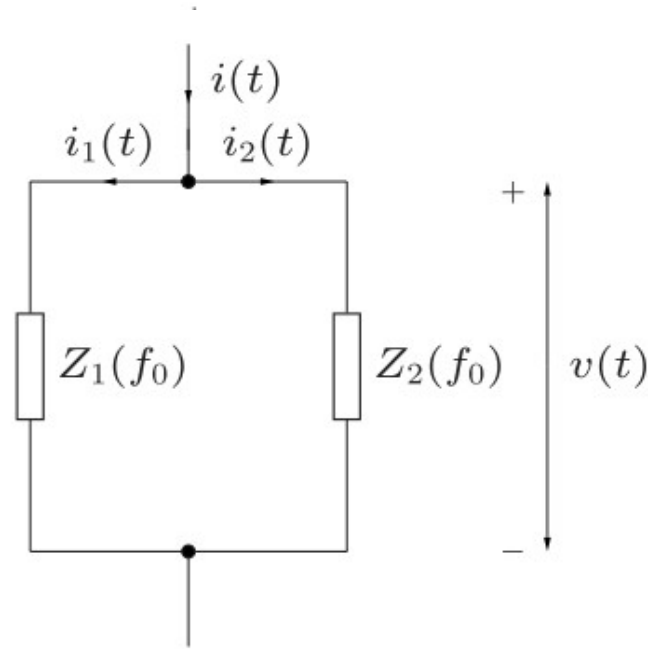
$$Z_p(f_0) = \frac{Z_1(f_0)Z_2(f_0)}{Z_1(f_0) + Z_2(f_0)}$$



# Split of voltage and current



$$v_1(t) = \frac{Z_1(f_0)}{Z_1(f_0) + Z_2(f_0)} v(t)$$



$$i_1(t) = \frac{Z_2(f_0)}{Z_1(f_0) + Z_2(f_0)} i(t)$$

# Summary

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- Resistors, inductors & capacitors
  - We can apply Ohm's law, also for inductors and capacitors, by using  $j\omega_0 L$  and  $1/j\omega_0 C$  in place of "resistance".
  - Impedance is the relation between voltage and current (often from a combination of resistors, inductors and capacitors).
- Kirchoff's laws (general)
  - **Current law:** At all times, the sum of all currents into a node must equal the sum of currents leaving the node. (Charge can't accumulate in a node.)
  - **Voltage law:** At all times, the sum of voltages around any closed loop in a circuit must be zero.
- Typical circuits (special cases)
  - Serial and parallel impedance
  - Split of voltage and current



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