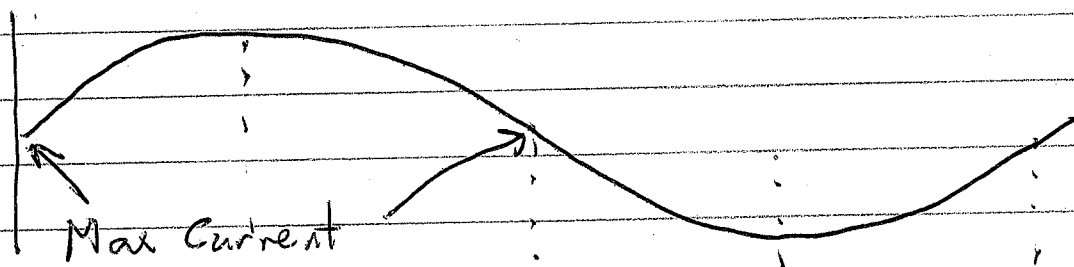


## Capacitors in AC

What we know:

- Capacitors store charge  $Q = CV$
- They take time to charge  $\tau = RC$   
 $e^{-t/\tau}$
- Capacitors store energy  $\text{Energy} = \frac{1}{2} QV$   
 $\text{Energy} = \frac{1}{2} CV^2$

Ac Sine wave applied to capacitor



$V = \oplus$	$V = \oplus$	$V = \ominus$	$V = \ominus$
$I = \oplus$	$I = \ominus$	$I = \ominus$	$I = \oplus$

$P = VI$	$P = \oplus$	$P = \ominus$	$P = \oplus$	$P = \ominus$
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↑  
Max energy

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Max Energy

In AC

- Capacitor takes & gives power.
- Average power = 0

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## AC Ohm's Law for Capacitor

$$V_{\max} = I_{\max} X_C$$

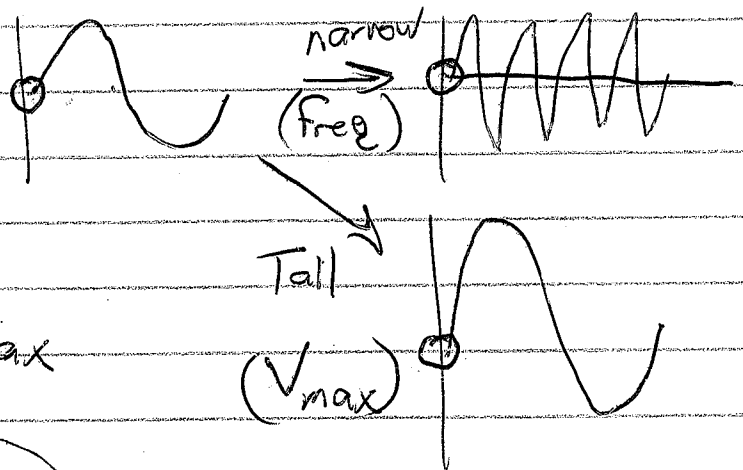
• Reactance ( $X$ ) is measured in ohms ( $\Omega$ )

$$V_{\text{rms}} = I_{\text{rms}} X_C$$

How is  $X_C$  related to  $C$ ?

$$Q = CV$$

$$I = C (\text{Rate of change of } V)$$



$$I_{\max} \propto C f V_{\max}$$

$$I_{\max} = 2\pi f C V_{\max}$$

$$V_{\max} = I_{\max} \left( \frac{1}{2\pi f C} \right)$$

$$= I_{\max} X_C$$

High freq  $\rightarrow$  Cap never "fills"  $\rightarrow$  low  $V$  for given  $I$ .  
High freqs pass easily

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Ex:  $V_{rms} = 120 \text{ V}$

$f = 60 \text{ Hz}$

want  $I_{rms} = 1 \text{ mA}$  max thru cap

$$V_{rms} = I_{rms} X_C$$
$$(120 \text{ V}) = (0.001 \text{ A}) X_C$$

$$\frac{120 \text{ V}}{0.001 \text{ A}} = 120000 \Omega = X_C$$

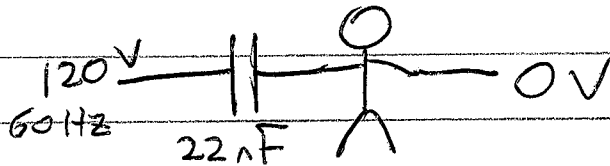
$$X_C = \frac{1}{2\pi f C}$$

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

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi (60 \text{ Hz}) (120000 \Omega)}$$

$$= 2.2 \times 10^{-8} \text{ F}$$

$$= 22 \text{ nF}$$



No more than 1 mV

Less C is safer.

m = 10<sup>-3</sup>  
μ = 10<sup>-6</sup>  
n = 10<sup>-9</sup>

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Inductors are magnetic coils

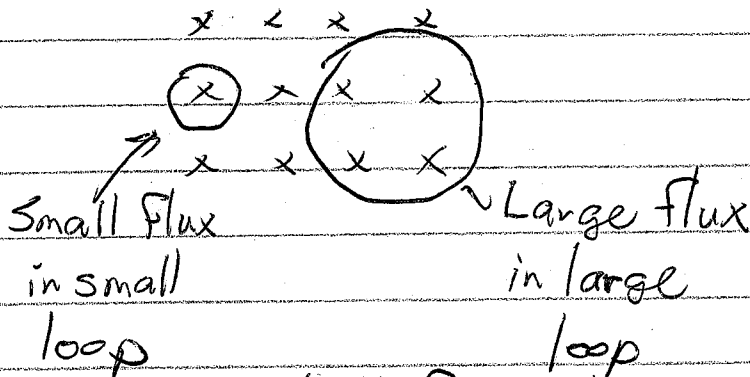
Ex: Solenoid Coil  $B = \frac{\mu_0 N I}{l}$

Changing  $I \rightarrow$  Changing  $B \rightarrow$  Voltage

$$\mathcal{E} = \text{Changing } \Phi_B$$



Magnetic Flux ( $\Phi_B$ ) is  $B \cdot A$  and determines induced voltage.



Flux of one loop:  $\Phi_1 = B \cdot A$

Flux of whole coil:  $\Phi_B = NBA$

For solenoid:  $\Phi_B = N \left( \frac{\mu_0 N I}{l} \right) A$

$$\Phi_B = \left( \frac{\mu_0 N^2 A}{l} \right) I$$

Inductance ( $L$ ) is in henries ( $H$ )  $\Phi_B = L I$

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Changing current affects inductor.

$$\Phi_B = L I$$

$$\text{Voltage} = \text{Changing } \Phi_B = L (\text{Changing } I)$$

┌ prop to  $I_{\max}$   
└ prop to freq

$$V_{\max} = 2\pi f L I_{\max}$$

$$V_{\max} = I_{\max} X_L$$

$$V_{\text{rms}} = I_{\text{rms}} X_L \quad \text{Ohm's Law for inductor}$$

• High  $f \rightarrow$  High  $X_L \rightarrow$  Low current for given voltage.

$$\text{Resistor } V_{\text{rms}} = I_{\text{rms}} R$$

$$\text{Capacitor } V_{\text{rms}} = I_{\text{rms}} X_C \quad X_C = \frac{1}{2\pi f C}$$

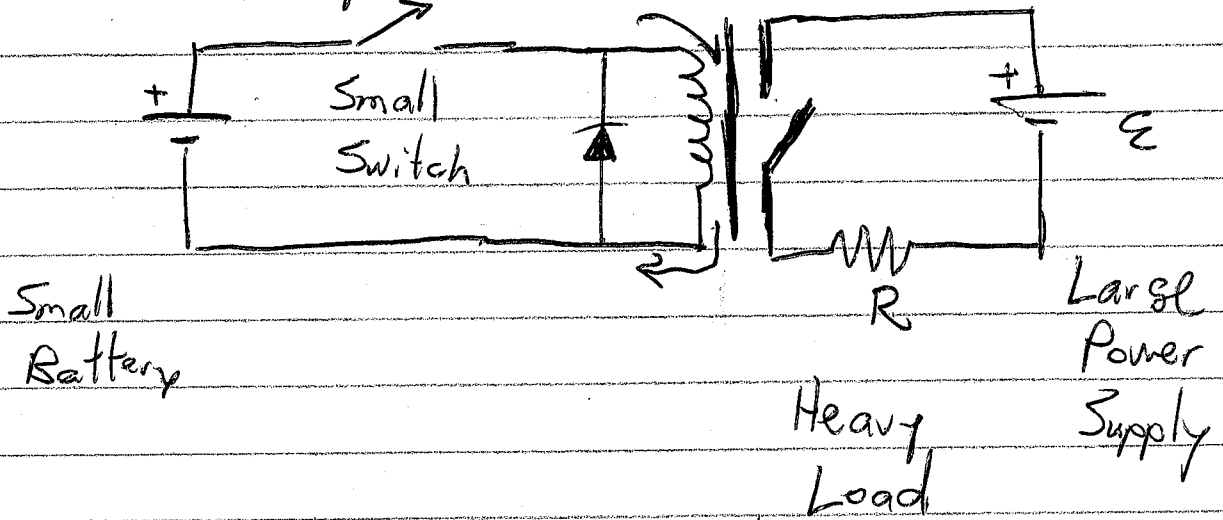
$$\text{Inductor } V_{\text{rms}} = I_{\text{rms}} X_L \quad X_L = 2\pi f L$$

$$\text{Cap - opp change in } V - \text{Energy} = \frac{1}{2} C V^2$$

$$\text{Ind - opp change in } I - \text{Energy} = \frac{1}{2} L I^2$$

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# Solenoid Relay



Turning off the relay generates a high voltage pulse.

This wrecks the small switch.

Two solutions: 1. Capacitor (Condenser)  
2. Diode