

② Average power

Obtained for a time interval t_1 to t_2 by integrating the instantaneous power $p(t)$ and dividing by the length of the interval:

$$P \triangleq \frac{1}{t_2 - t_1} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} p(t) dt \quad (1)$$

- In the particular case that $p(t)$ is periodic with period T , the average power can be computed as:

$$P = \frac{1}{T} \int_{t_x}^{t_x + T} p(t) dt \quad (2)$$

t_x arbitrary.

Sinusoidal steady-state (forcing function is a sinusoidal) power (ac power)

$$v(t) = V_m \cos(\omega t + \theta)$$

$$i(t) = I_m \cos(\omega t + \phi)$$

$$p(t) = v(t)i(t) = V_m I_m \cos(\omega t + \theta) \cdot \cos(\omega t + \phi)$$

$$p(t) = \frac{1}{2} V_m I_m \cos(\theta - \phi) + \frac{1}{2} V_m I_m \cos(2\omega t + \theta + \phi)$$

Average power: $P = \frac{1}{T} \int_{t_x}^{t_x + T} \frac{1}{2} V_m I_m \cos(\theta - \phi) dt + 0 = \frac{1}{T} (t_x + T - t_x) \cdot \frac{1}{2} V_m I_m \cos(\theta - \phi) =$

$$P = \frac{1}{2} V_m I_m \cos(\theta - \phi) \quad (3) \quad [W]$$

Average power absorbed by a resistor:

$$P = \frac{1}{2} V_m I_m \cos(0^\circ) = \frac{1}{2} V_m I_m$$

Average power absorbed by a C, L (ideal elements):

$$P = \frac{1}{2} V_m I_m \cos(\pm 90^\circ) = 0$$

OBS: P represents the ability of an impedance to dissipate power! in response to ac current!

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→ Generally, we identify 3 cases

instantaneous power:

$$p(t) = \frac{1}{2} V_m i_m \cos(\theta - \phi) + \frac{1}{2} V_m i_m \cos(2\omega t + \theta + \phi)$$

case 1 $\theta - \phi = 0$; purely resistive load.

$$p(t) = \frac{1}{2} V_m i_m [1 + \cos 2\omega t]$$

whose maximum avg value is denoted S and is called the apparent power

$$S = \frac{1}{2} V_m i_m = V_{rms} \cdot i_{rms} \quad [VA]$$

↑ studied later.

case 2 $\phi = \pm 90^\circ$; purely reactive load.

$$p(t) = \frac{1}{2} V_m i_m \cos 2(\omega t \pm 90^\circ)$$

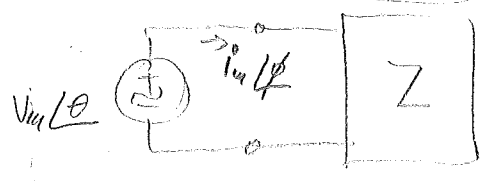
whose average is zero. (because the energy absorbed during a positive alternation is returned to the source during the subsequent negative alternation)

case 3 $0 < \cos(\theta - \phi) < 1$

$$0 < P < S$$

$\cos(\theta - \phi)$ is called the power factor (pf) and is frequency dependent because so is $\theta - \phi$! Hence the average power is frequency dependent!

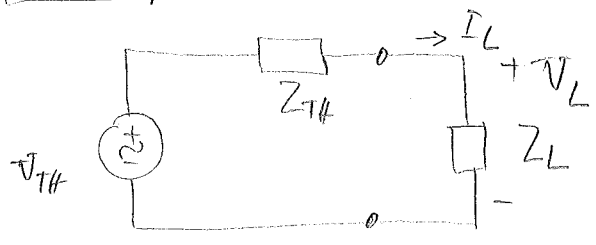
→ Power and impedance



$$\begin{aligned} P &= \frac{1}{2} V_m i_m \cos(\angle Z) = \\ &= V_{rms} \cdot i_{rms} \cdot \cos(\angle Z) \\ &= |Z| \cdot i_{rms}^2 \cdot \cos(\angle Z) = R(\omega) \cdot i_{rms}^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$P = R(\omega) \cdot i_{rms}^2$$

3) Maximum power transfer



Max. Power transfer takes place when

$$Z_{TH}^* = Z_L$$

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$$R_{TH} - jX_{TH} = R_L + jX_L$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} R_{TH} = R_L \\ -X_{TH} = -X_L \end{cases}$$

- Power transfer from an active ac port to a load is maximized when the load impedance is made equal to the complex conjugate of the equivalent impedance of the port!

- The load power is: $P_L = R_L \cdot i_{rms}^2 = \frac{1}{2} R_L i_{rms}^2$

where: $i_{rms} = \left| \frac{V_{TH}}{Z_{TH} + Z_L} \right|$

$$P_L = \frac{1}{2} R_L \cdot \frac{|V_{TH}|^2}{(R_{TH} + R_L)^2 + (X_{TH} + X_L)^2}$$

any non zero value would reduce P_L . So, P_L is maximized when $-X_{TH} = X_L$!

Then, we're left with:

$$P_L = \frac{1}{2} R_L \frac{|V_{TH}|^2}{(R_{TH} + R_L)^2}$$

which we already solved when we looked at circuits with resistances!

$$R_L = R_{TH}$$

find the maximum average power:

$$P_{L(max)} = \frac{1}{8} \frac{|V_{TH}|^2}{R_{TH}}$$