

Let's examine all three relations;

Resistor

These are all of the form;

Capacitor

Inductor

Where Z is the
impedance

Therefore for electrical impedances;

Resistor (**real-only**)

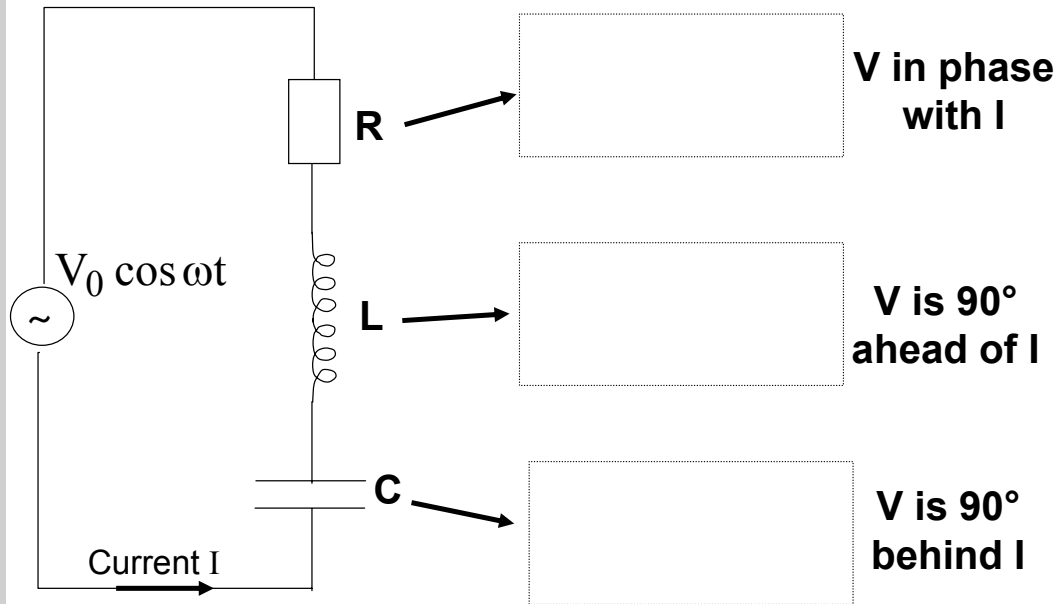
Capacitor (**imaginary only**)

Inductor (**imaginary only**)

We refer to the real and imaginary parts of complex impedance (Z) in a certain way.

To express this more clearly;

This is a good example of a complex impedance.



Think about the voltages in a series circuit;

the applied driving voltage is divided between the components

Now, Kirchoff's Laws applied to this AC circuit, tell us the same current I flows through all components.

So, by substitution;

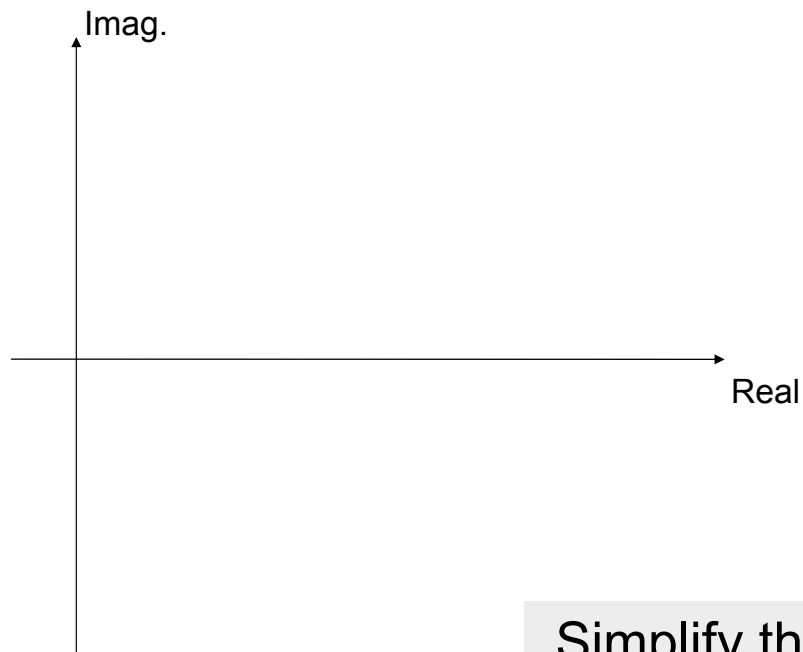
Simplifying;

The expression for
the impedance;

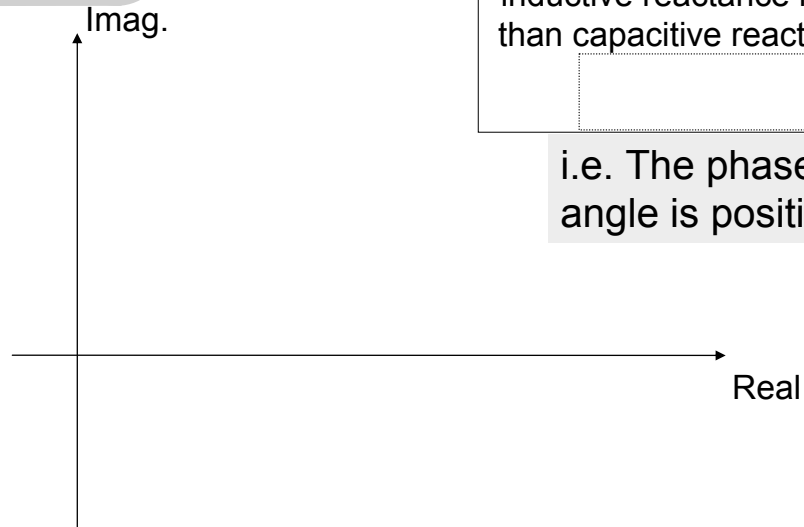
This tells us the **electrical impedance** in a series
LCR circuit.

Compare it to the expression for
the **mechanical impedance**.

Since all three voltages *compete* within the series circuit,
then we can represent them on the same phasor diagram.



Simplify this!



This diagram drawn with inductive reactance larger than capacitive reactance.

i.e. The phase angle is positive

$I_0 Z$ is the phasor representing the applied voltage

ϕ is the phase difference between
..... and the

But if the driving voltage has a frequency such that;

$$X_L < X_C$$

i.e. The phase angle will be negative



A quick bit of info.....

The impedance of an inductor

It is

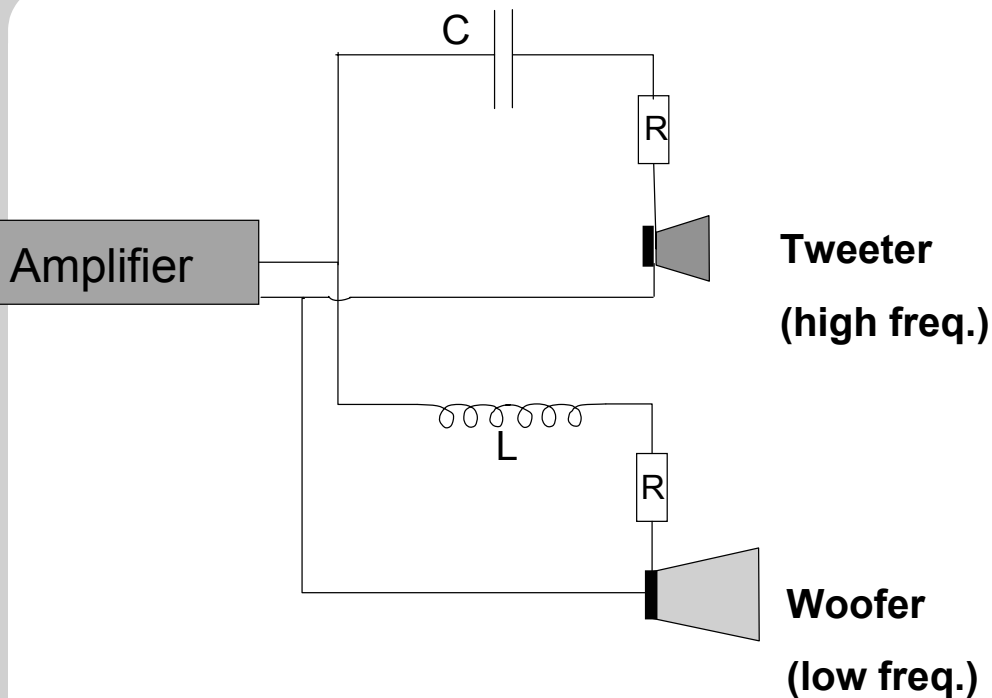
So if the circuit is driven with by a high frequency source,
the will high;

→ causing

Inductors the flow of current.

The opposite is true for a capacitor

Crossover network-loudspeaker (parallel circuit)



So now we can write three things;

By substitution;

The current has a magnitude V_0/Z and a phase difference ϕ w.r.t voltage

When is the current highest?