

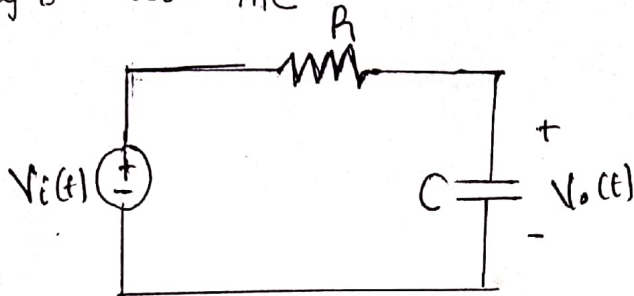
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Quest: Determine the type of filter shown below, and show that its cut-off frequency is $\omega_c = 1/RC$



Sol: The above filter is a Lowpass filter and the output is taken of the capacitor.

Applying voltage division to the ~~circuit~~ frequency-domain equivalent circuit;

$$V_o = \left(\frac{1/j\omega C}{R + 1/j\omega C} \right) \times V_i$$

$$\therefore H(\omega) = \frac{V_o}{V_i} = \frac{1/j\omega C}{R + 1/j\omega C} = \frac{1/j\omega C}{j\omega RC + 1} = \boxed{\frac{1}{j\omega RC + 1}}$$

$$\therefore H(\omega) = \frac{1}{j\omega RC + 1}$$

The cutoff-frequency ω_c is obtained by setting the magnitude of $H(\omega)$ to $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore |H(\omega)| &= \left| \frac{1}{j\omega RC + 1} \right| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{1^2}}{\sqrt{(\omega RC)^2 + 1^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{(\omega RC)^2 + 1}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \therefore \sqrt{(\omega RC)^2 + 1} &= \sqrt{2} \end{aligned}$$

Equating both sides; $2 = 1 + \omega^2 R^2 C^2$

$$\omega^2 = \frac{1}{R^2 C^2}$$

$$\boxed{\omega_c = \frac{1}{RC}}$$