

**ET 304A**  
**Electric Circuits Laboratory**  
**Lab 11**  
**Computer-aided Analysis of RLC Filters**

**Part 1: Low-pass Filter Response**

- 1.) Use Circuitmaker to find the frequency response of the low-pass filter circuit shown in Figure 1 for the given values of resistance,  $R$ .  
 $R = 100$  ohms,  $1000$  ohms, and  $10k$  ohms. Sweep the frequency over the range of  $10$  kHz to  $10$  MHz.

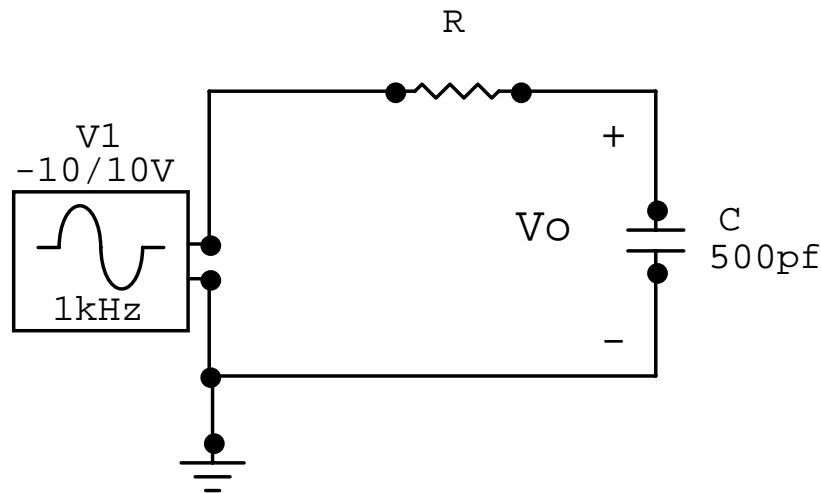


Figure 1. Low-pass Filter Circuit for Step 1 of Part 1.

- 2.) Print the filter's Bode plot for gain only. Produce a plot for each value of resistance over the specified range of frequency.
- 3.) Using the RMS ac voltmeter tool in the software, find the magnitude of output voltage,  $V_o$ , at  $100$  kHz,  $1$  MHz, and  $10$  MHz with  $R=10$  k ohms. Record these values in the table below.

Table 1-Low-pass Output ( $R=10k\Omega$ )

Frequency	$V_o$
100 kHz	
1 MHz	
10 MHz	

- 4.) In the experiment lab report discussion, explain how changing the value of  $R$  affects the cut-off frequency of the filter and the gain slope of the filter. Also explain the theoretical operation of the low-pass filter.

## Part 2: High-pass Filter Response

- 1.) Use Circuitmaker to find the frequency response of the high-pass filter circuit shown in Figure 2 for the given values of resistance,  $R$ .  
 $R = 100\ \text{ohms}$ ,  $1000\ \text{ohms}$ , and  $10\text{k}\ \text{ohms}$ . Sweep the frequency over the range of  $10\ \text{kHz}$  to  $10\ \text{MHz}$ .

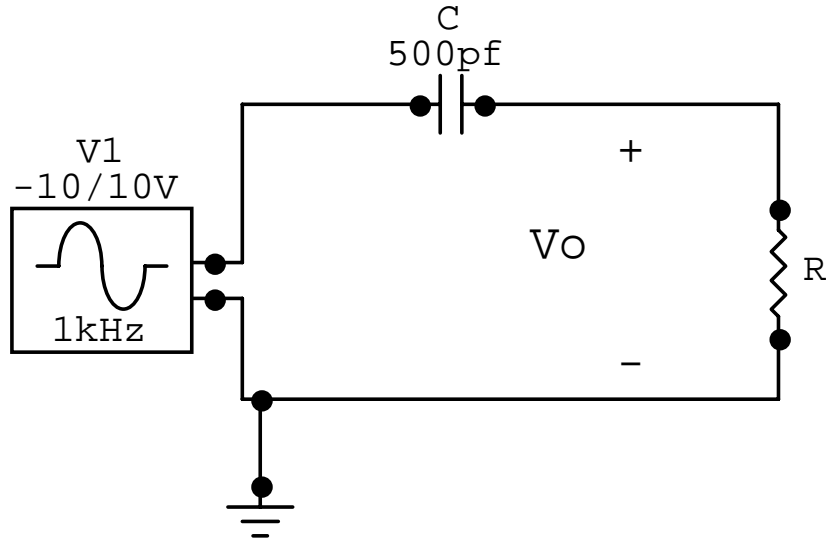


Figure 2. High-pass Filter Circuit for Step 1 of Part 2.

- 2.) Print the filter's Bode plot for gain only. Produce a plot for each value of resistance over the specified range of frequency.
- 3.) Using the RMS ac voltmeter tool in the software, find the magnitude of output voltage,  $V_o$ , at  $100\ \text{kHz}$ ,  $1\ \text{MHz}$ , and  $10\ \text{MHz}$  with  $R=10\text{k}\ \text{ohms}$ . Record these values in the table below.

Table 2-High-pass Output ( $R=10\text{k}\Omega$ )

Frequency	$V_o$
100 kHz	
1 MHz	
10 MHz	

- 4.) In the experiment lab report discussion, explain how changing the value of  $R$  affects the cut-off frequency of the filter and the gain slope of the filter. Also explain the theoretical operation of the low-pass filter.

### Part 3: Band-pass Filter Response

- 1.) Use Circuitmaker to find the frequency response of the band-pass filter circuit shown in Figure 3 for the given values of capacitance and resistance. Sweep the frequency over the range of 10 kHz to 10 MHz.

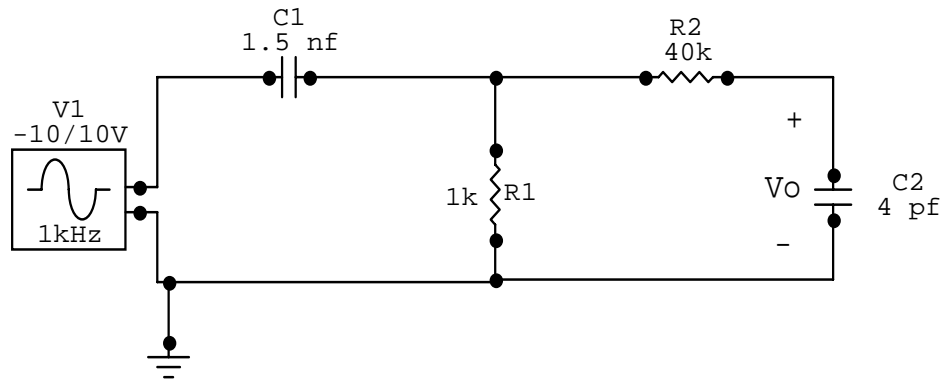


Figure 3. Band-pass Filter Circuit for Step 1 of Part 3.

- 2.) Print the filter's Bode plot for gain only.
- 3.) Using the RMS ac voltmeter tool in the software, find the magnitude of peak output voltage,  $V_o$ , and the frequency at which it occurs. Record the values in the table below. Also find the frequencies and magnitudes of the voltages for the levels that are -3 dB down from the peak filter output.

Table 3-Band-pass Output

	Frequency (Hz)	Magnitude of $V_o$
Peak Output		
Lower Cutoff		
Upper Cutoff		

- 4.) Find the filter's bandwidth and record it in the space provided below.

Filter bandwidth \_\_\_\_\_ Hz.