

# Alternating Current Key Terms



Here are fill-in-the-blank questions based on the key terms and definitions related to Alternating Current:

1. **Alternating Current (AC)** is a current that \_\_\_\_\_ its direction periodically.
2. One complete set of positive and negative values of AC is called a \_\_\_\_\_.
3. The number of cycles per second is called the \_\_\_\_\_, and it is measured in \_\_\_\_\_.
4. The time taken to complete one cycle is called the \_\_\_\_\_, and it is denoted as \_\_\_\_\_.
5. The \_\_\_\_\_ of an AC signal is the maximum value of current or voltage.
6. The \_\_\_\_\_ value of AC is given by  $I_{\text{rms}} = \frac{I_0}{\sqrt{2}}$ .
7. The maximum value of AC current or voltage in a cycle is called the \_\_\_\_\_.
8. The \_\_\_\_\_ value refers to the value of AC at any specific instant of time.
9. The difference in phase between two alternating quantities is called \_\_\_\_\_.
10. The angular velocity of the alternating current waveform is called \_\_\_\_\_, and is denoted as \_\_\_\_\_.
11. The opposition to AC by a capacitor is called \_\_\_\_\_, and is calculated using  $X_c = \frac{1}{\omega C}$ .
12. The opposition to AC by an inductor is called \_\_\_\_\_, and is calculated using  $X_L = \omega L$ .
13. The total opposition to AC in a circuit containing resistors, inductors, and capacitors is called \_\_\_\_\_.
14. The condition when the inductive reactance equals the capacitive reactance is called \_\_\_\_\_.
15. The \_\_\_\_\_ of a circuit is the cosine of the phase angle, given by  $pf = \cos \theta$ .
16. A device that converts mechanical energy into electrical energy using alternating current is called an \_\_\_\_\_.
17. A \_\_\_\_\_ transformer increases the voltage from the primary to the secondary coil.
18. A \_\_\_\_\_ transformer decreases the voltage from the primary to the secondary coil.
19. The frequency at which resonance occurs in an LCR circuit is called \_\_\_\_\_.
20. Power dissipation in an AC circuit is calculated using the formula \_\_\_\_\_.
21. The time-averaged value of power in an AC circuit is called \_\_\_\_\_.
22. A circuit consisting of an inductor, capacitor, and resistor is called an \_\_\_\_\_ circuit.
23. In a \_\_\_\_\_ LCR circuit, the components are connected in series, affecting the total impedance.
24. In a \_\_\_\_\_ LCR circuit, the components are connected in parallel, affecting the current distribution.
25. An \_\_\_\_\_ current is one that fluctuates back and forth within a circuit.
26. A device that generates alternating current by rotating a magnetic field is called an \_\_\_\_\_.
27. A \_\_\_\_\_ coil is used to block higher-frequency AC in circuits.
28. The sharpness of resonance in a circuit is measured by the \_\_\_\_\_ factor.
29. The \_\_\_\_\_ frequency components in a non-sinusoidal AC waveform are called harmonics.
30. The \_\_\_\_\_ factor is a measure of the sharpness of resonance in a circuit and is denoted by  $Q$ .

These fill-in-the-blank questions test understanding of the core concepts of alternating current and help reinforce key definitions.