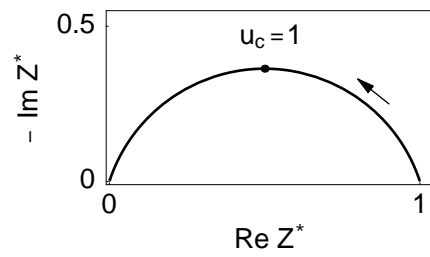


Equivalent electrical circuits containing CPEs



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Chapter 1

Circuits containing one CPE

1.1 Constant Phase Element (CPE), symbol Q

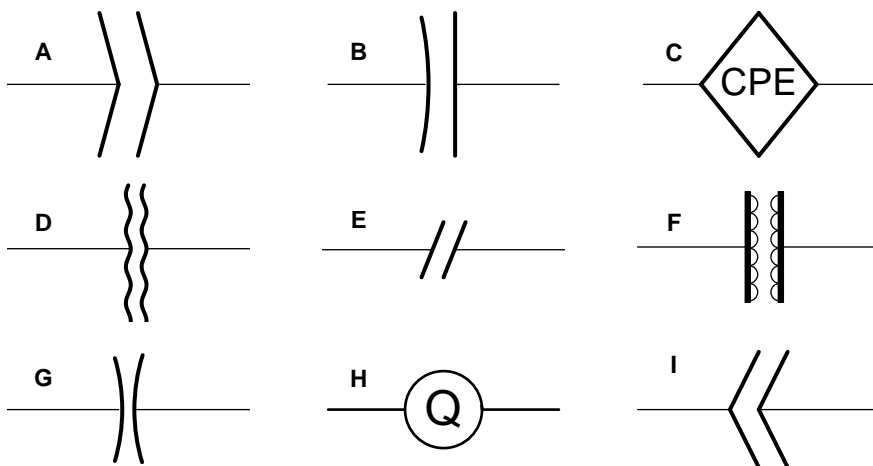


Figure 1.1: Some CPE symbols, taken from A: [5], B: [8], C: [11], D: [1], E: [3], F: [6], G: [7], H: [9], I: [4].

$$Z = \frac{1}{Q (i\omega)^\alpha}, \quad \text{Re } Z = \frac{c_\alpha}{Q \omega^\alpha}, \quad \text{Im } Z = -\frac{s_\alpha}{Q \omega^\alpha}$$

$$c_\alpha = \cos\left(\frac{\pi \alpha}{2}\right), \quad s_\alpha = \sin\left(\frac{\pi \alpha}{2}\right)$$

$$|Z| = \frac{1}{Q \omega^\alpha}, \quad \phi_Z = -\frac{\pi \alpha}{2}$$

The Q unit depends on α : $u_Q = \text{F cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{\alpha-1}$.

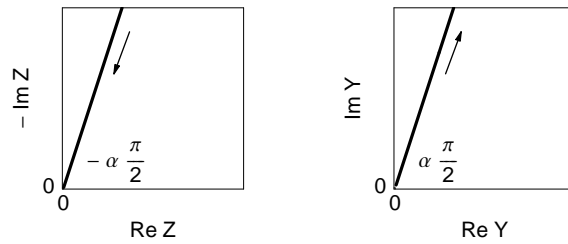


Figure 1.2: Nyquist diagram of the impedance and admittance for the CPE element plotted for $\alpha = 0.8$. The arrows always indicate the increasing frequency direction.

1.2 Circuit (R+Q)

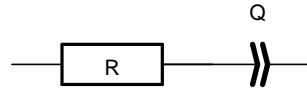


Figure 1.3: Circuit (R+Q).

1.2.1 Impedance

$$Z(\omega) = R + \frac{1}{Q(i\omega)^\alpha}, \quad \text{Re } Z = R + \frac{c_\alpha}{Q\omega^\alpha}, \quad \text{Im } Z = -\frac{s_\alpha}{Q\omega^\alpha}$$

1.2.2 Reduced impedance

$$Z^*(\omega) = \frac{Z(\omega)}{R} = 1 + \frac{1}{\tau(i\omega)^\alpha}, \quad \tau = RQ$$

The τ unit depends on α : $u_\tau = s^\alpha$.

$$Z^*(u) = 1 + \frac{1}{(iu)^\alpha}, \quad u = \omega\tau^{1/\alpha}$$

1.3 Circuit (R/Q)

1.3.1 Impedance

$$Z(\omega) = \frac{R}{1 + \tau(i\omega)^\alpha}; \quad \tau = RQ$$

$$\text{Re } Z(\omega) = \frac{R(1 + \tau\omega^\alpha c_\alpha)}{1 + \tau^2\omega^{2\alpha} + 2\tau\omega^\alpha c_\alpha}; \quad \text{Im } Z(\omega) = -\frac{R\tau\omega^\alpha s_\alpha}{1 + \tau^2\omega^{2\alpha} + 2\tau\omega^\alpha c_\alpha}$$

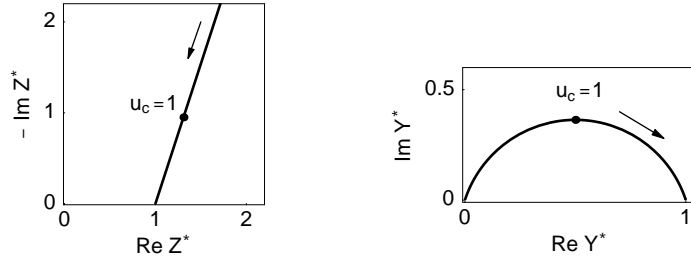


Figure 1.4: Nyquist diagram of the reduced impedance and admittance ($Y^* = RY$) for the (R+Q) circuit plotted for $\alpha = 0.8$.

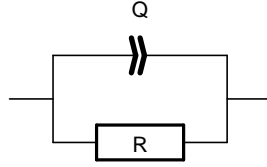


Figure 1.5: Circuit (R/Q).

1.3.2 Reduced impedance

$$Z^*(\omega) = \frac{Z(\omega)}{R} = \frac{1}{1 + \tau(i\omega)^\alpha}; \quad \tau = RQ$$

$$\operatorname{Re} Z^*(\omega) = \frac{1 + \tau \omega^\alpha c_\alpha}{1 + \tau^2 \omega^{2\alpha} + 2\tau \omega^\alpha c_\alpha}; \quad \operatorname{Im} Z^*(\omega) = -\frac{\tau \omega^\alpha s_\alpha}{1 + \tau^2 \omega^{2\alpha} + 2\tau \omega^\alpha c_\alpha}$$

$$\frac{d\operatorname{Im} Z^*(\omega)}{d\omega} = \frac{\alpha \tau \omega^{-1+\alpha} (-1 + \tau^2 \omega^{2\alpha}) s_\alpha}{(1 + \tau^2 \omega^{2\alpha} + 2\tau \omega^\alpha c_\alpha)^2} = 0 \Rightarrow \omega_c^\alpha = 1/\tau \quad [2]$$

$$\operatorname{Re} Z^*(\omega_c) = 1/2, \quad \operatorname{Im} Z^*(\omega_c) = -\frac{s_\alpha}{2(1 + c_\alpha)}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{2}{\pi} \arccos \left(-1 + \frac{2}{1 + 4 \operatorname{Im} Z^*(\omega_c)^2} \right)$$

$$Z^*(u) = \frac{1}{1 + (iu)^\alpha}, \quad u = \omega \tau^{1/\alpha}$$

1.4 Circuit (R/Q)+(R/Q)+ .. (Voigt)

$$Z(\omega) = \sum_{i=1}^{n_{\text{RQ}}} \frac{R_i}{1 + \tau_i (i\omega)^{\alpha_i}}; \quad \tau_i = R_i Q_i$$

$$\operatorname{Re} Z(\omega) = \sum_{i=1}^{n_{\text{RQ}}} \frac{R_i (1 + \tau_i \omega^{\alpha_i} c_{\alpha_i})}{1 + \tau_i^2 \omega^{2\alpha_i} + 2\tau_i \omega^{\alpha_i} c_{\alpha_i}}$$

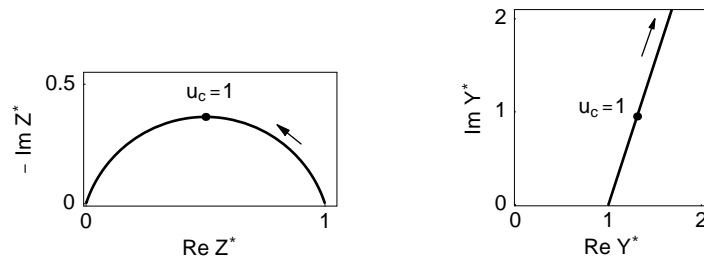


Figure 1.6: Nyquist diagram of the reduced impedance (depressed semi-circular arc [10]) and admittance ($Y^* = RY$) for the (R/Q) circuit plotted for $\alpha = 0.8$.

$$\text{Im } Z(\omega) = - \sum_{i=1}^{n_{\text{RQ}}} \frac{R_i \tau_i \omega^{\alpha_i} s_{\alpha_i}}{1 + \tau_i^2 \omega^{2\alpha_i} + 2 \tau_i \omega^{\alpha_i} c_{\alpha_i}}$$

Chapter 2

Circuits made of one R and two CPEs

2.1 Circuit $((R_1/Q_1) + Q_2)$

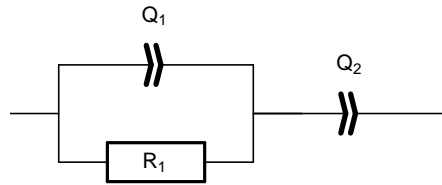


Figure 2.1: Circuit $((R_1/Q_1)+Q_2)$.

2.1.1 Impedance

$$Z(\omega) = \frac{1}{(i\omega)^{\alpha_2} Q_2} + \frac{R_1}{(i\omega)^{\alpha_1} Q_1 \left(\frac{1}{(i\omega)^{\alpha_1} Q_1} + R_1 \right)}$$

$$Z(\omega) = \frac{R_1 (1 + (i\omega)^{\alpha_1} \tau_1 + (i\omega)^{\alpha_2} \tau_2)}{(i\omega)^{\alpha_2} (1 + (i\omega)^{\alpha_1} \tau_1) \tau_2}, \quad \tau_1 = R_1 Q_1, \quad \tau_2 = R_1 Q_2$$

2.1.2 Reduced impedance

$$Z^*(\omega) = \frac{Z(\omega)}{R} = \frac{1 + (i\omega)^{\alpha_1} \tau_1 + (i\omega)^{\alpha_2} \tau_2}{(i\omega)^{\alpha_2} (1 + (i\omega)^{\alpha_1} \tau_1) \tau_2}$$

$$\text{Re } Z^*(\omega) = \frac{1 + \omega^{\alpha_1} c_{\alpha 1} \tau_1}{1 + \omega^{\alpha_1} \tau_1 (2 c_{\alpha 1} + \omega^{\alpha_1} \tau_1)} + \frac{c_{\alpha 2}}{\omega^{\alpha_2} \tau_2}$$

$$s_{\alpha 1} = \sin\left(\frac{\pi \alpha_1}{2}\right), \quad s_{\alpha 2} = \sin\left(\frac{\pi \alpha_2}{2}\right), \quad c_{\alpha 1} = \cos\left(\frac{\pi \alpha_1}{2}\right), \quad c_{\alpha 2} = \cos\left(\frac{\pi \alpha_2}{2}\right)$$

$$\text{Im } Z^*(\omega) = -\frac{\omega^{\alpha_1} s_{\alpha_1} \tau_1}{1 + \omega^{\alpha_1} \tau_1 (2c_{\alpha_1} + \omega^{\alpha_1} \tau_1)} - \frac{s_{\alpha_2}}{\omega^{\alpha_2} \tau_2}$$

2.2 Circuit $((\mathbf{R}_1 + \mathbf{Q}_1)/\mathbf{Q}_2)$

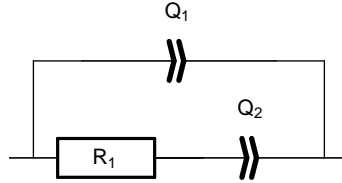


Figure 2.2: Circuit $((\mathbf{R}_1 + \mathbf{Q}_2)/\mathbf{Q}_1)$.

$$Z(\omega) = \frac{\frac{1}{(i\omega)^{\alpha_2} Q_2} + R_1}{(i\omega)^{\alpha_1} Q_1 \left(\frac{1}{(i\omega)^{\alpha_1} Q_1} + \frac{1}{(i\omega)^{\alpha_2} Q_2} + R_1 \right)}$$

$$Z(\omega) = \frac{1 + \tau (i\omega)^{\alpha_2}}{(i\omega)^{\alpha_1} Q_1 + (i\omega)^{\alpha_2} Q_2 + \tau (i\omega)^{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2} Q_1}, \quad \tau = R_1 Q_2$$

$$\text{Re } Z(\omega) = \frac{(\omega^{\alpha_1} c_{\alpha_1} (1 + \tau^2 \omega^{2\alpha_2} + 2\tau \omega^{\alpha_2} c_{\alpha_2}) Q_1 + \omega^{\alpha_2} (\tau \omega^{\alpha_2} + c_{\alpha_2}) Q_2) /}{(\omega^{2\alpha_1} (1 + \tau^2 \omega^{2\alpha_2} + 2\tau \omega^{\alpha_2} c_{\alpha_2}) Q_1^2 + 2\omega^{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2} (\tau \omega^{\alpha_2} c_{\alpha_1} + c_{\alpha_1 m \alpha_2}) Q_1 Q_2 + \omega^{2\alpha_2} Q_2^2)}$$

$$c_{\alpha_1 m \alpha_2} = \cos \left(\frac{\pi (\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)}{2} \right)$$

$$\text{Im } Z(\omega) = \frac{(-\omega^{\alpha_1} (1 + \tau^2 \omega^{2\alpha_2} + 2\tau \omega^{\alpha_2} c_{\alpha_2}) Q_1 s_{\alpha_1} - \omega^{\alpha_2} Q_2 s_{\alpha_2}) /}{(\omega^{2\alpha_1} (1 + \tau^2 \omega^{2\alpha_2} + 2\tau \omega^{\alpha_2} c_{\alpha_2}) Q_1^2 + 2\omega^{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2} (\tau \omega^{\alpha_2} c_{\alpha_1} + c_{\alpha_1 m \alpha_2}) Q_1 Q_2 + \omega^{2\alpha_2} Q_2^2)}$$

Chapter 3

Circuits made of two Rs and two CPEs

3.1 Circuit $((R_1/Q_1)+(R_2/Q_2))$

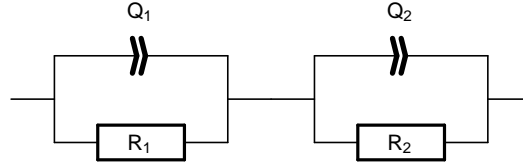


Figure 3.1: Circuit $((R_1/Q_1)+(R_2/Q_2))$.

$$Z(\omega) = \frac{1}{(i\omega)^{\alpha_1} Q_1 + \frac{1}{R_1}} + \frac{1}{(i\omega)^{\alpha_2} Q_2 + \frac{1}{R_2}}$$

$$Z(\omega) = \frac{R_1}{1 + (i\omega)^{\alpha_1} \tau_1} + \frac{R_2}{1 + (i\omega)^{\alpha_2} \tau_2}, \quad \tau_1 = R_1 Q_1, \quad \tau_2 = R_2 Q_2$$

$$Z(\omega) = \frac{R_1 + R_2 + (i\omega)^{\alpha_1} R_2 \tau_1 + (i\omega)^{\alpha_2} R_1 \tau_2}{(1 + (i\omega)^{\alpha_1} \tau_1) (1 + (i\omega)^{\alpha_2} \tau_2)}$$

$$\text{Re } Z(\omega) = \frac{R_1 (1 + \omega^{\alpha_1} c_{\alpha_1} \tau_1)}{1 + \omega^{\alpha_1} \tau_1 (2 c_{\alpha_1} + \omega^{\alpha_1} \tau_1)} + \frac{R_2 (1 + \omega^{\alpha_2} c_{\alpha_2} \tau_2)}{1 + \omega^{\alpha_2} \tau_2 (2 c_{\alpha_2} + \omega^{\alpha_2} \tau_2)}$$

$$\text{Im } Z(\omega) = -\frac{\omega^{\alpha_1} R_1 s_{\alpha_1} \tau_1}{1 + \omega^{\alpha_1} \tau_1 (2 c_{\alpha_1} + \omega^{\alpha_1} \tau_1)} - \frac{\omega^{\alpha_2} R_2 s_{\alpha_2} \tau_2}{1 + \omega^{\alpha_2} \tau_2 (2 c_{\alpha_2} + \omega^{\alpha_2} \tau_2)}$$

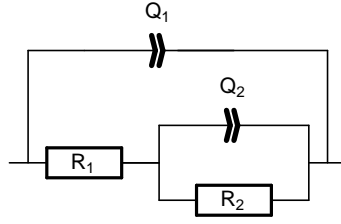


Figure 3.2: Circuit $((R_1 + (R_2/Q_2))/Q_1)$.

3.2 Circuit $((R_1 + (R_2/Q_2))/Q_1)$

$$Z(\omega) = \frac{1}{(i\omega)^{\alpha_1} Q_1 + \frac{1}{R_1 + \frac{1}{(i\omega)^{\alpha_2} Q_2 + \frac{1}{R_2}}}}$$

$$Z(\omega) = \frac{R_1 + R_2 + (i\omega)^{\alpha_2} Q_2 R_1 R_2}{1 + (i\omega)^{\alpha_1} Q_1 (R_1 + R_2) + (i\omega)^{\alpha_2} Q_2 R_2 + (i\omega)^{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2} Q_1 Q_2 R_1 R_2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Re } Z(\omega) = & (R_1 + R_2 + \omega^{2\alpha_2} Q_2^2 R_1 (1 + \omega^{\alpha_1} C_{\alpha_1} Q_1 R_1) R_2^2 + \\ & \omega^{\alpha_1} C_{\alpha_1} Q_1 (R_1 + R_2)^2 + \omega^{\alpha_2} C_{\alpha_2} Q_2 R_2 (R_2 + 2R_1 (1 + \omega^{\alpha_1} C_{\alpha_1} Q_1 (R_1 + R_2)))) / \\ & (1 + \omega^{2\alpha_2} Q_2^2 (1 + \omega^{\alpha_1} Q_1 R_1 (2C_{\alpha_1} + \omega^{\alpha_1} Q_1 R_1)) R_2^2 + \\ & \omega^{\alpha_1} Q_1 (R_1 + R_2) (2C_{\alpha_1} + \omega^{\alpha_1} Q_1 (R_1 + R_2)) + 2\omega^{\alpha_2} Q_2 R_2 \\ & \times (C_{\alpha_2} + \omega^{\alpha_1} Q_1 (C_{\alpha_1 m \alpha_2} R_2 + C_{\alpha_2} R_1 (2C_{\alpha_1} + \omega^{\alpha_1} Q_1 (R_1 + R_2)))))) \end{aligned}$$

$$c_{\alpha_1 m \alpha_2} = \cos\left(\frac{\pi(\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)}{2}\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Im } Z(\omega) = & (\omega^{\alpha_1} Q_1 (-\omega^{2\alpha_2} Q_2^2 R_1^2 R_2^2 - 2\omega^{\alpha_2} C_{\alpha_2} Q_2 R_1 R_2 (R_1 + R_2) - \\ & (R_1 + R_2)^2) S_{\alpha_1} - \omega^{\alpha_2} Q_2 R_2^2 S_{\alpha_2}) / \\ & (1 + \omega^{2\alpha_2} Q_2^2 (1 + \omega^{\alpha_1} Q_1 R_1 (2C_{\alpha_1} + \omega^{\alpha_1} Q_1 R_1)) R_2^2 + \\ & \omega^{\alpha_1} Q_1 (R_1 + R_2) (2C_{\alpha_1} + \omega^{\alpha_1} Q_1 (R_1 + R_2)) + 2\omega^{\alpha_2} Q_2 R_2 \\ & \times (C_{\alpha_2} + \omega^{\alpha_1} Q_1 (C_{\alpha_1 m \alpha_2} R_2 + C_{\alpha_2} R_1 (2C_{\alpha_1} + \omega^{\alpha_1} Q_1 (R_1 + R_2)))))) \end{aligned}$$

3.3 Circuit $((Q_1 + (R_2/Q_2))/R_1)$

$$Z(\omega) = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{\frac{1}{(i\omega)^{\alpha_1} Q_1} + \frac{1}{(i\omega)^{\alpha_2} Q_2 + \frac{1}{R_2}}}}$$

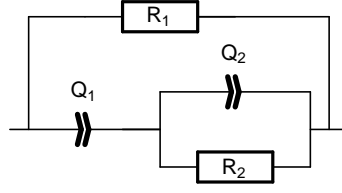


Figure 3.3: Circuit $((Q_1+(R_2/Q_2))/R_1)$.

$$Z(\omega) = \frac{R_1 (1 + (i\omega)^{\alpha_1} Q_1 R_2 + (i\omega)^{\alpha_2} Q_2 R_2)}{1 + (i\omega)^{\alpha_1} Q_1 (R_1 + R_2) + (i\omega)^{\alpha_2} Q_2 R_2 + (i\omega)^{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2} Q_1 Q_2 R_1 R_2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Re } Z(\omega) = & (R_1 (1 + \omega^{\alpha_2} Q_2 R_2 (2 C_{\alpha_2} + \omega^{\alpha_2} Q_2 R_2)) + \omega^{2\alpha_1} Q_1^2 R_2 \\ & \times (R_2 + R_1 (1 + \omega^{\alpha_2} C_{\alpha_2} Q_2 R_2)) + \omega^{\alpha_1} Q_1 (2 R_2 (C_{\alpha_1} + \omega^{\alpha_2} C_{\alpha_1 m \alpha_2} Q_2 R_2) + \\ & C_{\alpha_1} R_1 (1 + \omega^{\alpha_2} Q_2 R_2 (2 C_{\alpha_2} + \omega^{\alpha_2} Q_2 R_2)))) / \\ & (1 + \omega^{2\alpha_2} Q_2^2 (1 + \omega^{\alpha_1} Q_1 R_1 (2 C_{\alpha_1} + \omega^{\alpha_1} Q_1 R_1)) R_2^2 + \\ & \omega^{\alpha_1} Q_1 (R_1 + R_2) (2 C_{\alpha_1} + \omega^{\alpha_1} Q_1 (R_1 + R_2)) + \\ & 2 \omega^{\alpha_2} Q_2 R_2 (C_{\alpha_2} + \omega^{\alpha_1} Q_1 (C_{\alpha_1 m \alpha_2} R_2 + C_{\alpha_2} R_1 (2 C_{\alpha_1} + \omega^{\alpha_1} Q_1 (R_1 + R_2)))))) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Im } Z(\omega) = & -\omega^{\alpha_1} Q_1 R_2^2 (S_{\alpha_1} + \omega^{\alpha_2} Q_2 R_2 ((2 C_{\alpha_2} + \omega^{\alpha_2} Q_2 R_2) S_{\alpha_1} + \omega^{\alpha_1} Q_1 R_2 S_{\alpha_2})) / \\ & (1 + \omega^{2\alpha_2} Q_2^2 (1 + \omega^{\alpha_1} Q_1 R_1 (2 C_{\alpha_1} + \omega^{\alpha_1} Q_1 R_1)) R_2^2 + \\ & \omega^{\alpha_1} Q_1 (R_1 + R_2) (2 C_{\alpha_1} + \omega^{\alpha_1} Q_1 (R_1 + R_2)) + \\ & 2 \omega^{\alpha_2} Q_2 R_2 (C_{\alpha_2} + \omega^{\alpha_1} Q_1 (C_{\alpha_1 m \alpha_2} R_2 + C_{\alpha_2} R_1 (2 C_{\alpha_1} + \omega^{\alpha_1} Q_1 (R_1 + R_2)))))) \end{aligned}$$

$$Z(\omega) = \frac{R_1 (1 + \tau_1 (i\omega)^{\alpha_1} + \tau_2 (i\omega)^{\alpha_2})}{1 + (1 + R_1/R_2) \tau_1 (i\omega)^{\alpha_1} + \tau_2 (i\omega)^{\alpha_2} + \tau_1 \tau_2 (R_1/R_2) (i\omega)^{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2}}$$

$$\tau_1 = Q_1 R_2, \tau_2 = Q_2 R_2$$

3.4 Circuit $((Q_2+R_2)/R_1)/Q_1$

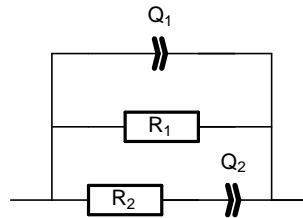


Figure 3.4: Circuit $((Q_2+R_2)/R_1)/Q_1$.

$$Z(\omega) = \frac{1}{(i\omega)^{\alpha_1} Q_1 + \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{\frac{1}{(i\omega)^{\alpha_2} Q_2} + R_2}}$$

$$Z(\omega) = \frac{R_1 (1 + (i\omega)^{\alpha_2} Q_2 R_2)}{1 + (i\omega)^{\alpha_1} Q_1 R_1 + (i\omega)^{\alpha_2} Q_2 R_1 + (i\omega)^{\alpha_2} Q_2 R_2 + (i\omega)^{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2} Q_1 Q_2 R_1 R_2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Re } Z(\omega) = & (R_1 (1 + \omega^{\alpha_2} Q_2 (\omega^{\alpha_2} Q_2 R_2 (R_1 + R_2) + C_{\alpha_2} (R_1 + 2 R_2)) + \\ & \omega^{\alpha_1} C_{\alpha_1} Q_1 R_1 (1 + \omega^{\alpha_2} Q_2 R_2 (2 C_{\alpha_2} + \omega^{\alpha_2} Q_2 R_2)))) / \\ & (1 + \omega^{\alpha_2} Q_2 (R_1 + R_2) (2 C_{\alpha_2} + \omega^{\alpha_2} Q_2 (R_1 + R_2)) + \\ & \omega^{2\alpha_1} Q_1^2 R_1^2 (1 + \omega^{\alpha_2} Q_2 R_2 (2 C_{\alpha_2} + \omega^{\alpha_2} Q_2 R_2)) + 2\omega^{\alpha_1} Q_1 R_1 \\ & \times (C_{\alpha_1} + \omega^{\alpha_2} Q_2 (C_{\alpha_1 m \alpha_2} R_1 + 2 C_{\alpha_1} C_{\alpha_2} R_2 + \omega^{\alpha_2} C_{\alpha_1} Q_2 R_2 (R_1 + R_2)))) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Im } Z(\omega) = & (R_1^2 (- (\omega^{\alpha_1} Q_1 (1 + \omega^{\alpha_2} Q_2 R_2 (2 C_{\alpha_2} + \omega^{\alpha_2} Q_2 R_2)) S_{\alpha_1}) - \omega^{\alpha_2} Q_2 S_{\alpha_2})) / \\ & (1 + \omega^{\alpha_2} Q_2 (R_1 + R_2) (2 C_{\alpha_2} + \omega^{\alpha_2} Q_2 (R_1 + R_2)) + \\ & \omega^{2\alpha_1} Q_1^2 R_1^2 (1 + \omega^{\alpha_2} Q_2 R_2 (2 C_{\alpha_2} + \omega^{\alpha_2} Q_2 R_2)) + 2\omega^{\alpha_1} Q_1 R_1 \\ & \times (C_{\alpha_1} + \omega^{\alpha_2} Q_2 (C_{\alpha_1 m \alpha_2} R_1 + 2 C_{\alpha_1} C_{\alpha_2} R_2 + \omega^{\alpha_2} C_{\alpha_1} Q_2 R_2 (R_1 + R_2)))) \end{aligned}$$

$$Z(\omega) = \frac{R_1 (1 + (i\omega)^{\alpha_2} \tau_2)}{1 + (i\omega)^{\alpha_1} \tau_1 + (1 + R_1/R_2) (i\omega)^{\alpha_2} \tau_2 + (i\omega)^{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2} \tau_1 \tau_2}$$

$$\tau_1 = Q_1 R_1, \tau_2 = Q_2 R_2$$

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