

Question 5) A series R-C combination is connected to an AC voltage of angular frequency $\omega=500$ radian/s. If the impedance of the R-C circuit is $R\sqrt{1.25}$ the time constant (in millisecond) of the circuit is?

- (A) 1
- (B) 2
- (C) 3
- (D) 4

Answer: (D) 4

Solution:

Given, $\omega = 500$ radian/s

The capacitance of the capacitor is C

$$X_c = 1/\omega C = 1/500C$$

Impedance of the circuit, $Z = R\sqrt{1.25}$

$$\text{Using } Z^2 = R^2 + X_c^2$$

$$1.25R^2 = R^2 + 1/(500)^2 C^2$$

$$0.25R^2 = 1/(0.25 \times 10^6) C^2$$

$$R^2 C^2 = 10^{-6}/(0.25)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow RC = 10^{-3}/0.25$$

$$= 0.004 \text{ s}$$

$$= 4 \text{ ms}$$