ECE 300
Signals and Systems
Homework 3

<u>Due Date:</u> Tuesday December 18. 2007 *at the beginning of class*

<u>EXAM #1, Thursday December 20</u>

<u>Problems</u>

1. ZTF Problem 2-19 (use the method from class, solve the DE).

2. ZTF Problem 2-24.

3. The continuous-time I - interval moving average (MA) filter is given by the input/output relationship

$$y(t) = \frac{1}{I}\int_{t-I}^{t} x(\lambda)d\lambda$$

a. Determine the impulse response of the system. Write your answers in terms of unit step functions.

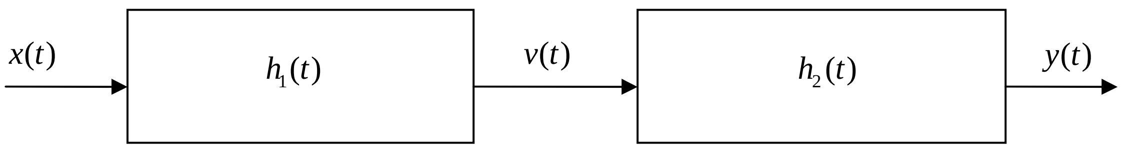
b. Determine the step response of the system, that is, determine the output when the input is a unit step. (*Answer:* $y(t) = \frac{1}{I}\left[tu(t) - (t-I)u(t-I)\right]$)

c. Determine the ramp response of the system, that is, determine the output when the input is a unit ramp.

d. Show that in steady state $(t > I)$ the delay between the input and output is $\frac{I}{2}$

Hint: Draw pictures of the integrand and look at what happens as the interval $[t, t-I]$ varies.

4. Consider the following two subsystems, connected together to form a single LTI system.



Determine the impulse response $h(t)$ of the entire system if the impulse responses of the subsystems are given as:

a) $h_1(t) = \delta(t) \quad h_2(t) = 2e^{-t}u(t)$

b) $h_1(t) = e^{-t}u(t) \quad h_2(t) = 2\delta(t-1)$

c) $h_1(t) = e^{-t}u(t) \quad h_2(t) = e^{-t}u(t)$

d) $h_1(t) = 2\delta(t-1) \quad h_2(t) = 3\delta(t-2)$

e) $h_1(t) = 2\delta(t-1) \quad h_2(t) = u(t)$

Simplify your answers as much as possible.

5. Consider a causal linear time invariant system with impulse response given by

$$h(t) = e^{-(t-1)}u(t-1)$$

The input to the system is given by

$$x(t) = u(t) - u(t-1) + u(t-3)$$

Using ***graphical convolution***, determine the output $y(t)$ **for** $2 \le t \le 5$. ***Note the limited range of t we are interested in !***

Specifically, you must

a) Flip and slide $h(t)$
b) Show graphs displaying both $h(t-\lambda)$ and $x(\lambda)$ for each region of interest
c) Determine the range of t for which each part of your solution is valid
d) Set up any necessary integrals to compute $y(t)$
e) Evaluate the integrals

You should get (in unsimplified form)

$$y(t) = \begin{cases} e^{-(t-1)}[e^1 - 1] & 2 \le t \le 4 \\ e^{-(t-1)}[e^1 - 1] + e^{-(t-1)}[e^{t-1} - e^3] & 4 \le t \le 5 \end{cases}$$

6. Consider a linear time invariant system with impulse response given by

$$h(t) = e^{-(t+1)}u(t+1)$$

The input to the system is given by

$$x(t) = 2[u(t) - u(t-1)] + 3[u(t-3) - u(t-4)]$$

Using ***graphical convolution***, determine the output $y(t)$. Specifically, you must

a) Flip and slide $h(t)$
b) Show graphs displaying both $h(t-\lambda)$ and $x(\lambda)$ for each region of interest
c) Determine the range of t for which each part of your solution is valid
d) Set up any necessary integrals to compute $y(t)$ ***Do Not Evaluate the Integrals***

7. Pre-Lab Exercises (to be done by all students. Turn this in with your homework and bring a copy of this with you to lab!)

a) Calculate the impulse response of the RC lowpass filter shown in Figure 2, in terms of unspecified components R and C. Determine the time constant for the circuit.

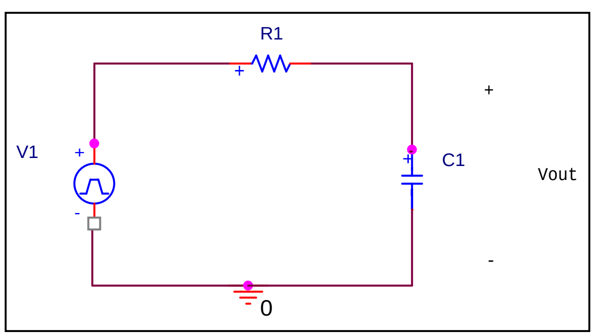


Figure 2. Simple RC lowpass filter circuit.

b) Find the **step response** of the circuit (the response of the system when the input is a unit step), and determine the 10-90% rise time. t_r, as shown below in Figure 3. The rise time is simply the amount of time necessary for the output to rise from 10% to 90% of its final value. Specifically, show that the rise time is given by $t_r = \tau \ln(9)$

c) Specify values R and C which will produce a time constant of approximately 1 msec. Be sure to consider the fact that the capacitor will be asked to charge and discharge quickly in these measurements.

d) Using linearity and time-invariance, show that the response of the circuit to a unit pulse of length T (, i.e. a pulse of amplitude 1 starting at 0 and ending at T) is given by

$$y_{pulse}(t) = (1 - e^{-t/\tau})u(t) - (1 - e^{-(t-T)/\tau})u(t-T)$$

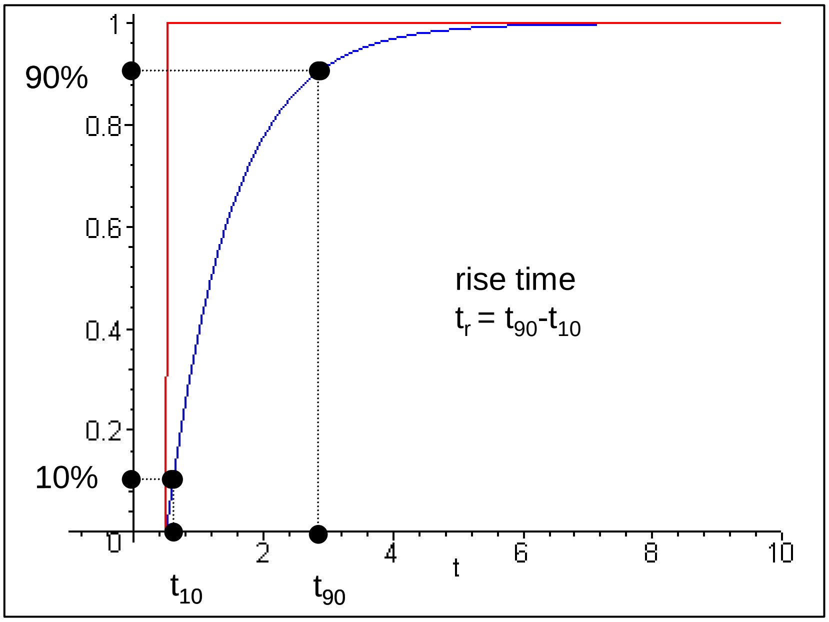


Figure 3. Step response of the RC lowpass filter circuit of Figure 1, showing the definition of the 10-90% risetime.

e) Plot the response to a unit pulse (in Matlab) for $\tau = 0.001$ and $T = 0.003$, 0.001, and 0.0001 from 0 to 0.008 seconds. Note on the plots the times the capacitor is charging and discharging. Use the **subplot** command to make three separate plots, one on top of another (i.e., use subplot(3,1,1), subplot(3,1,2), subplot(3,1,3)).

f) If the input is a pulse of amplitude A and width T, determine an expression for the amplitude of the output at the end of the pulse, $y_{pulse}(T)$. Assume that $\frac{T}{\tau} \ll 1$ (the duration for the pulse is much small than the time constant of the circuit) and use Taylor series approximations for the exponentials. Under these assumptions, show that the amplitude of $y_{pulse}(t)$ at time T is approximately the area of the pulse divided by the time constant, that is $y_{pulse}(T) = \frac{AT}{\tau}$