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Answer THREE questions. No marks will be awarded for solutions to a fourth question. Solutions will be considered in the order that they are presented in the answer book. Trial answers will be ignored if they are clearly crossed out. The numbers given after each section of a question indicate the relative weighting of that section.

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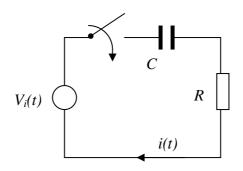


Figure Q1.1

Use the Laplace transform to show that the voltage across the capacitor is given by $v_c(t) = A(1 - e^{-t/RC})u(t)$ in the RC circuit shown in Figure Q1.1, assuming that the initial voltage across the capacitor $v_c(0) = 0$, and $v_i(t) = Au(t)$, where A is a constant.

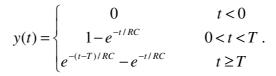
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- **b.** Find an expression for the current, i(t), flowing in the circuit.
- **c.** Work out the value of the current at time t = 0, i(0), and the time taken for the current to decay to 10% of its value at t = 0. (5)
- d. What is the signal frequency range that the circuit will pass without attenuating the signal power by more than 3dB? (2)

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- **2.** a. Prove that the impulse response of a simple RC low pass circuit is given by $h(t) = \frac{1}{RC} e^{-t/RC} u(t)$ where R is the resistance and C is the capacitance.
 - **b.** Suppose that in a digital communication channel, the bit "1" is represented by the signal p(t), shown in Figure Q2.1. If p(t) is the input signal to the RC circuit and y(t) is the output signal, use convolution to show that the output signal is given by



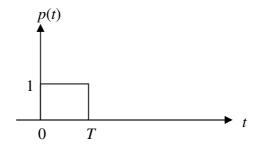
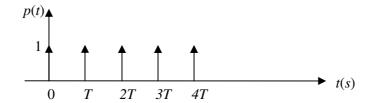


Figure **Q2.1** (10)

- Assuming that T = 1s and RC = 0.1s, sketch and label the response of the circuit to the single bit of "1". (3)
- **d.** Sketch and label the response of the same circuit to two successive bits of "1". (3)
- **3. a.** Verify that the complex Fourier Series representation of the sampling function $p(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t-kT)$ shown in Figure Q3.1 is given by $p(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{T} e^{jn\omega_s t}$, where ω_s is the sampling frequency in rad/s.



b. Show that the Fourier Transform of the signal p(t) in part (a) is given by $P(\omega) = \frac{2\pi}{T} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(\omega - n\omega_s)$. (2)

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3 c.

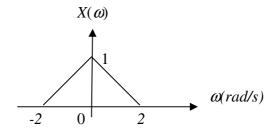


Figure Q3.2

Consider a continuous time signal x(t) with the magnitude spectrum shown in Figure Q3.2. The signal x(t) is multiplied by the sampling function p(t) in Figure Q3.1 to obtain $x_s(t)$, the sampled version of x(t). Assuming $\alpha_s = 2$ rad/s, sketch and label

- i) the magnitude spectrum $P(\omega)$.
- ii) the magnitude spectrum $X_s(\omega)$.

Confirm whether the x(t) can be recovered using a low pass filter. Explain why?

d. The modulated signal in a double sideband amplitude modulation scheme is given by $x(t) = [A_o + \cos(\omega_m t)]\cos(\omega_c t)$, where $A_o + \cos(\omega_m t) > 0$. Here ω_m and ω_c are the frequencies for the modulating and carrier signals, respectively while A_o is a constant. To demodulate the signal an envelope detector depicted in Figure Q3.3 can be used.

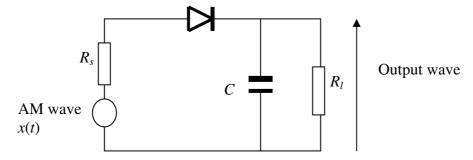


Figure Q3.3

The capacitance voltage during charging is described by

$$v_c(t) = A_c[1 - \exp(-t/R_sC)],$$

while $v_d(t) = A_d \exp(-t/R_l C)$ described the capacitance voltage during discharging. Assuming C = 0.01 μ F, $\omega_c = 2\pi \times 10^5$ rad/s and $\omega_m = 0.01 \omega_c$, suggest suitable values for R_s and R_l .

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4. a. Consider a continuous time system described by a transfer function

$$H(s) = \frac{4(s+2)}{s^2+16s+8}$$
.

- i) Find the poles and zeros. (4)
- ii) Sketch and label the magnitude response of the system. Determine whether this system is lowpass or highpass.
- iii) Find the natural oscillating frequency and the damping factor of this system. (2)
- **b.** Sketch the unit step response of the system. Describe how this unit step response changes with time and confirm whether the system is stable? (4)
- Find the system response y(t) when the input is $x(t) = e^{-2t}u(t)$. (6)

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