# Circuits and Transforms

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 ${\it Abstract} {\it \bf - This \ manual \ provides \ a \ simple \ introduction}$  to Transforms

### 1 Definitions

1. The unit step function is

$$u(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & t > 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & t = 0 \\ 0 & t < 0 \end{cases}$$
 (1.1)

2. The Laplace transform of g(t) is defined as

$$G(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t)e^{-st} dt$$
 (1.2)

#### 2 Laplace Transform

1. In the circuit, the switch S is connected to position P for a long time so that the charge on the capacitor becomes  $q_1 \mu C$ . Then S is switched to position Q. After a long time, the charge on the capacitor is  $q_2 \mu C$ .

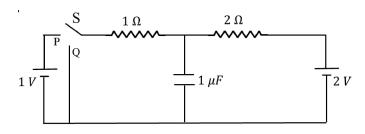
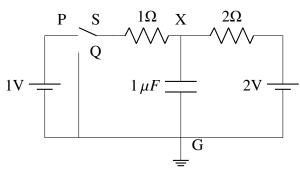


Fig. 2.1

2. Draw the circuit using latex-tikz. **Solution:** 

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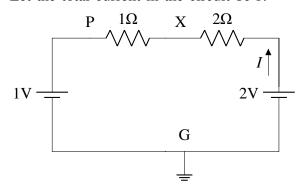
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3. Find  $q_1$ .

#### **Solution:**

After a long time in position P, the charge on the capacitor is  $q_1 \mu C$ .

Current through the capacitor is 0 at steady state. So, current only flows in the outer loop. Let the total current in the circuit be I.



$$I = \frac{(2-1)V}{(1+2)\Omega} \tag{2.1}$$

$$I = \frac{1}{3}A\tag{2.2}$$

Potential difference across the capacitor (across the points G and X) is

$$V_{C_0} = 2 - 2 \times \frac{1}{3} = 1.33V$$
 (2.3)

$$q_1 = CV_{C_0} \tag{2.4}$$

$$q_1 = 1\mu F \times 1.33V \tag{2.5}$$

$$q_1 = 1.33\mu C (2.6)$$

4. Show that the Laplace transform of u(t) is  $\frac{1}{s}$  and find the ROC.

**Solution:** 

By definition of Laplace transform of u(t), we have

$$\mathcal{L}\{u(t)\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u(t)e^{-st} dt \qquad (2.7)$$

$$= \int_0^\infty e^{-st} \, dt \tag{2.8}$$

$$= \left(-\frac{e^{-st}}{s}\right)_0^{+\infty} \tag{2.9}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{u(t)\} = \frac{1}{s} \tag{2.10}$$

 $\lim_{s\to\infty} e^{-st} = 0$  only when Re(s) > 0. The ROC is Re(s) > 0.

5. Show that

$$e^{-at}u(t) \stackrel{\mathcal{H}}{\longleftrightarrow} L\frac{1}{s+a}, \quad a>0$$
 (2.11)

and find the ROC.

## **Solution:**

$$\mathcal{L}\lbrace e^{-at}u(t)\rbrace = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-at}u(t)e^{-st} dt \qquad (2.12)$$

$$= \int_0^\infty e^{-at} e^{-st} \, dt$$
 (2.13)

$$= \left(-\frac{e^{-at}e^{-st}}{s+a}\right)_0^{+\infty} \tag{2.14}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\lbrace e^{-at}u(t)\rbrace = \frac{1}{s+a} \tag{2.15}$$

 $\lim_{s\to\infty} e^{-(s+a)t} = 0$  only when Re(s) > -a. The ROC is Re(s) > -a.

6. Now consider the following resistive circuit transformed from Fig. 2.1 where

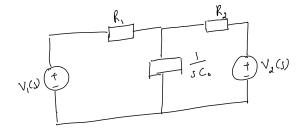


Fig. 2.2

$$u(t) \stackrel{\mathcal{H}}{\longleftrightarrow} LV_1(s)$$
 (2.16)

$$2u(t) \stackrel{\mathcal{H}}{\longleftrightarrow} LV_2(s)$$
 (2.17)

Find the voltage across the capacitor  $V_{C_0}(s)$ .

#### **Solution:**

$$V_1(s) = \mathcal{L}(u(t)) = \frac{1}{s}$$
 (2.18)

$$V_2(s) = \mathcal{L}(2u(t)) = \frac{2}{s}$$
 (2.19)

Potential across the capacitor is  $V_{C_0}(s)$  and assume that the bottom is grounded.

Applying Kirchoff's circuital law at the junction, we have

$$\frac{V_{C_0}(s) - V_1(s)}{R_1} + \frac{V_{C_0}(s) - V_2(s)}{R_2} + \frac{V_{C_0}(s)}{\frac{1}{sC_0}} = 0$$
(2.20)

$$V_{C_0}(s)\left(\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + sC_0\right) = \frac{V_1(s)}{R_1} + \frac{V_2(s)}{R_2}$$
(2.21)

$$V_{C_0}(s) = \frac{V_1(s)R_2 + V_2(s)R_1}{R_1 + R_2 + sC_0R_1R_2}$$
(2.22)

$$V_{C_0}(s) = \frac{R_2 + 2R_1}{s(R_1 + R_2 + sC_0R_1R_2)}$$
(2.23)

7. Find  $v_{C_0}(t)$ . Plot using python.

**Solution:** Factoring  $V_{C_0}(s)$ , we have

$$V_{C_0}(s) = \frac{\left(\frac{R_2 + 2R_1}{R_1 + R_2}\right)}{s} - \frac{R_1 R_2 C_0 \left(\frac{R_2 + 2R_1}{R_1 + R_2}\right)}{R_1 + R_2 + s C_0 R_1 R_2}$$

$$= \left(\frac{R_2 + 2R_1}{R_1 + R_2}\right) \left(\frac{1}{s} - \frac{R_1 R_2 C_0}{R_1 + R_2 + s C_0 R_1 R_2}\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{R_2 + 2R_1}{R_1 + R_2}\right) \left(\frac{1}{s} - \frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_2 C_0} + \frac{1}{R_1 C_0} + s}\right) \quad (2.26)$$

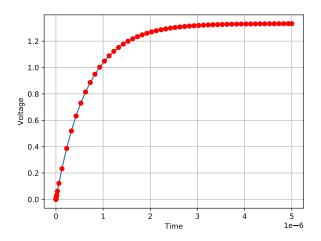
Applying inverse Laplace transform on both sides, we obtain

$$v_{C_0}(t) = \frac{R_2 + 2R_1}{R_1 + R_2} \left( u(t) - e^{-\left(\frac{1}{R_1 C_0} + \frac{1}{R_2 C_0}\right)t} u(t) \right)$$
(2.27)

Using the values  $R_1 = 1 \Omega$ ,  $R_2 = 2 \Omega$ ,  $C_0 = 1 \mu F$ , we have

$$v_{C_0}(t) = \frac{4}{3}u(t)\left(1 - e^{-1.5 \times 10^6 t}\right)$$
 (2.28)

Download the following python code for plot of  $v_{C_0}(t)$ .

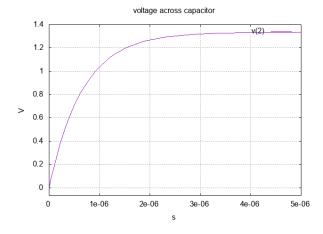


8. Verify your result using ngspice.

**Solution:** Download the following code for ngspice simulation.

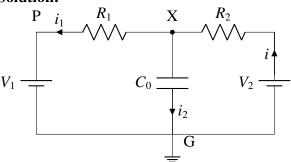
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The plot obtained is show below



9. Obtain Fig. 2.2 using the equivalent differential equation.

## **Solution:**



Applying Kirchoff's loop law, we have

$$V_{C_0} = i_1 R_1 + V_1 \tag{2.29}$$

$$V_2 - iR_2 = V_{C_0} (2.30)$$

$$V_2 - (i_1 + i_2)R_2 = V_{C_0} (2.31)$$

$$i_2 = \frac{d(C_0 V_{C_0})}{dt} (2.32)$$

To find resistance of capacitor in s-domain, we calculate the value of  $\frac{Vc_0}{s}$ 

$$\mathcal{L}\left(\frac{dV_{C_0}}{dt}\right) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dV_{C_0}}{dt} e^{-st} dt \qquad (2.33)$$

$$= e^{-st} V_{C_0}(t) + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} s e^{-st} V_{C_0}(t) dt \qquad (2.34)$$

$$= sV_{C_0}(s) - V_{C_0}(0) (2.35)$$

$$= sV_{C_0}(s) \tag{2.36}$$

To find resistance of capacitor in s-domain, we calculate the value of

$$\frac{V_{C_0}(s)}{i_2(s)} = \frac{V_{C_0}(s)}{s C_0 V_{C_0}(s)}$$
 (2.37)

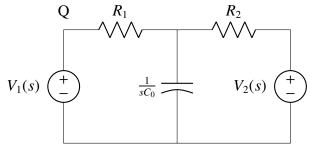
$$=\frac{1}{sC_0}$$
 (2.38)

The circuit elements will be as follows

$$V_1(t) \stackrel{\mathcal{L}}{\longleftrightarrow} \frac{1}{s} \quad V_2(t) \stackrel{\mathcal{L}}{\longleftrightarrow} \frac{2}{s}$$
 (2.39)

$$C_0 \stackrel{\mathcal{L}}{\longleftrightarrow} \frac{1}{sC_0}$$
 (2.40)

Resistors will remain unchanged in *s*-domain Obtained figure is depicted below

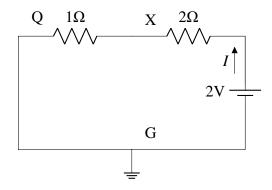


## 3 Initial Conditions

1. Find  $q_2$  in Fig. 2.1.

**Solution:** After a long time in position Q, the charge on the capacitor is  $q_2 \mu C$ .

Current through the capacitor is 0 in steady state. So, current only flows in the outer loop. Let the total current in the circuit be I.



$$I = \frac{2V}{(1+2)\Omega} = \frac{2}{3}A\tag{3.1}$$

So, the potential difference across the capacitor (across the points G and X) is

$$V_{C_0} = 2 - \left(\frac{2}{3} \times 2\right) = 0.67V$$
 (3.2)

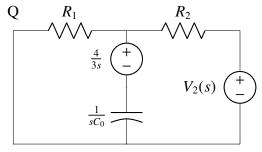
$$q_2 = CV_{C_0} \tag{3.3}$$

$$q_2 = 1 \,\mu C \times 0.67V \tag{3.4}$$

$$q_2 = 0.67 \,\mu C \tag{3.5}$$

2. Draw the equivalent s-domain resistive circuit when S is switched to position Q. Use variables  $R_1, R_2, C_0$  for the passive elements. Use latex-tikz.

## **Solution:**



3.  $V_{C_0}(s) = ?$ 

## **Solution:**

$$V_{C_0}(s) \left( \frac{R_1 + R_2 + sC_0R_1R_2}{R_1R_2} \right) = \frac{6 + 4C_0sR_2}{3sR_2}$$
(3.6)

$$V_{C_0}(s) = \frac{\left(\frac{2R_1}{s}\right) + \left(\frac{4C_0}{3}\right)R_1R_2}{(R_1 + R_2 + sC_0R_1R_2)}$$
(3.7)

4.  $v_{C_0}(t) = ?$  Plot using python.

Solution: Splitting into partial fractions, we

have

$$V_{C_0}(s) = \frac{\left(\frac{2R_1}{s}\right) + \left(\frac{4C_0}{3}\right)R_1R_2}{(R_1 + R_2 + sC_0R_1R_2)}$$
(3.8)

$$V_{C_0}(s) = \frac{2R_1}{s(R_1 + R_2 + sC_0R_1R_2)} + (3.9)$$

$$\frac{4C_0R_1R_2}{3(R_1+R_2+sC_0R_1R_2)}\tag{3.10}$$

$$= \frac{2R_1}{R_1 + R_2} \left( \frac{1}{s} - \frac{1}{\left( \frac{1}{R_1 C_0} + \frac{1}{R_2 C_0} + s \right)} \right) + (3.11)$$

$$\frac{4}{3\left(\frac{1}{R_1C_0} + \frac{1}{R_2C_0} + s\right)} \tag{3.12}$$

Applying inverse Laplace transform,

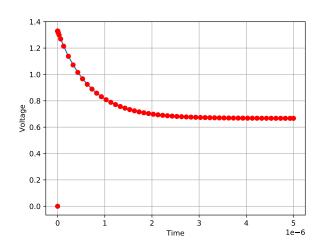
$$v_{C_0}(t) = \frac{2R_1}{R_1 + R_2} \left( 1 - e^{\frac{-t}{C_0} \left( \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} \right)} \right) u(t) + \frac{4}{3} e^{\frac{-t}{C_0} \left( \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} \right)} u(t)$$
(3.13)

Substituting the values, we have

$$v_{C_0}(t) = \frac{2}{3} \left( 1 - e^{-1.5t \times 10^6} \right) u(t) + \frac{4}{3} e^{-1.5t \times 10^6} u(t)$$
(3.14)

$$v_{C_0}(t) = \frac{2}{3} \left( 1 + e^{-1.5t \times 10^6} \right) u(t)$$
 (3.15)

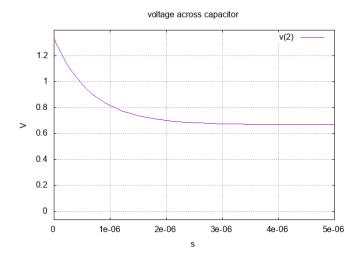
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6. Find  $v_{C_0}(0-)$ ,  $v_{C_0}(0+)$  and  $v_{C_0}(\infty)$ . **Solution:** At  $t = 0^-$ , the switch is in position P for a long time

$$v_{C_0}(0-) = \frac{4}{3}V \tag{3.16}$$

At  $t = 0^+$ , the switch has just shifted to position Q

$$\lim_{t \to 0^{+}} v_{C_{0}}(t) = \lim_{t \to 0^{+}} \frac{2}{3} \left( 1 + e^{-1.5t \times 10^{6}} \right) u(t) \quad (3.17)$$

$$v_{C_{0}}(0+) = \frac{4}{3} V \quad (3.18)$$

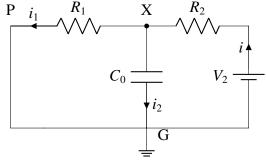
At  $t = \infty$ , the switch is in position Q for a long time

$$\lim_{t \to \infty} v_{C_0}(t) = \lim_{t \to \infty} \frac{2}{3} \left( 1 + e^{-1.5t \times 10^6} \right) u(t)$$
(3.19)

$$v_{C_0}(\infty) = \frac{2}{3}V (3.20)$$

7. Obtain the Fig. in problem 3.2 using the equivalent differential equation.

# **Solution:**



Applying Kirchoff's loop law, we have

$$V_{C_0} = i_1 R_1 \tag{3.21}$$

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$$i_2 = \frac{d(C_0 V_{C_0})}{dt} (3.24)$$

To find resistance of capacitor in s-domain, we calculate the value of  $\frac{Vc_0}{s}$ 

$$\mathcal{L}\left(\frac{dV_{C_0}}{dt}\right) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dV_{C_0}}{dt} e^{-st} dt$$
 (3.25)

$$= e^{-st} V_{C_0}(t) + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} s e^{-st} V_{C_0}(t) dt \qquad (3.26)$$

$$= sV_{C_0}(s) - V_{C_0}(0) (3.27)$$

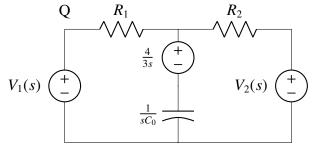
$$= sV_{C_0}(s) - \frac{4}{3} \tag{3.28}$$

The circuit elements will be as follows

$$V_1(t) \stackrel{\mathcal{L}}{\longleftrightarrow} \frac{1}{s} \quad V_2(t) \stackrel{\mathcal{L}}{\longleftrightarrow} \frac{2}{s}$$
 (3.29)

$$C_0 \stackrel{\mathcal{L}}{\longleftrightarrow} \frac{1}{sC_0} \quad V_{C_0}(0^-) \stackrel{\mathcal{L}}{\longleftrightarrow} \frac{4}{3s}$$
 (3.30)

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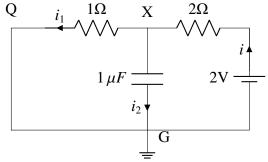


## 4 BILINEAR TRANSFORM

1. In Fig. 2.1, Consider the case when *S* is switched to *Q* right in the beginning. Formulate the differential equation.

#### **Solution:**

The circuit for the case is shown below,



The differential equation can be formulated as follows,

$$i_1(R_1) = \int_0^t \frac{i_2(t)}{C_0} dt \tag{4.1}$$

$$V_2 - iR_2 - \int_0^t \frac{i_2(t)}{C_0} dt = 0 (4.2)$$

$$V_2 - (i_1 + i_2)R_2 = \int_0^t \frac{i_2(t)}{C_0} dt$$
 (4.3)

$$V_2 - (i_2 R_2) = \left(\frac{R_2}{R_1} + 1\right) \int_0^t \frac{i_2(t)}{C_0} dt \qquad (4.4)$$

Expressing the differential equation in terms of  $V_{C_0}$ , we have

$$V_{C_0} = \int_0^t \frac{i_2(t)}{C_0} dt \tag{4.5}$$

$$\frac{dV_{C_0}}{dt} = \frac{i_2(t)}{C_0} \tag{4.6}$$

$$V_2 - R_2 C_0 \frac{dV_{C_0}}{dt} = \left(\frac{R_1 + R_2}{R_1}\right) V_{C_0}$$
 (4.7)

$$R_2 C_0 \frac{dV_{C_0}}{dt} + \left(\frac{R_1 + R_2}{R_1}\right) V_{C_0} - V_2 = 0$$
 (4.8)

2. Find H(s) considering the output voltage at the capacitor.

#### **Solution:**

Applying Laplace transform on both sides of the equation,

$$R_2 C_0 s V_{C_0}(s) + \frac{R_1 + R_2}{R_1} V_{C_0}(s) - V_2(s) = 0$$
(4.9)

$$\frac{V_2(s)}{V_{C_0}(s)} = sR_2C_0 + 1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1}$$
 (4.10)

By definition of transfer function, we have

$$H(s) = \frac{V_{C_0}(s)}{V_2(s)} = \frac{1}{sR_2C_0 + 1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1}}$$
(4.11)

On substituting the values, we get

$$H(s) = \frac{5 \times 10^5}{s + 1.5 \times 10^6} \tag{4.12}$$

3. Plot H(s). What kind of filter is it?

**Solution:** Download the following Python code that plots Fig. 4.1

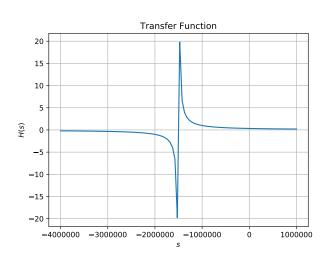


Fig. 4.1: Plot of H(s)

Consider the frequency-domain transfer function by putting  $s = j\omega$ 

$$H(j\omega) = \frac{5 \times 10^5}{j\omega + 1.5 \times 10^6}$$
 (4.13)

$$|H(j\omega)| = \frac{5 \times 10^5}{\sqrt{\omega^2 + 2.25 \times 10^{12}}}$$
(4.14)

Since maximum value of transfer function occurs when  $\omega = 0$ , we have the following relation,

 $H(i\omega)$  decreases as  $\omega$  increases.

So, frequency ranges from 0 to cut-off frequency.

Hence, the given filter is a low-pass filter.

4. Using trapezoidal rule for integration, formulate the difference equation by considering

$$y(n) = y(t)|_{t=n} (4.15)$$

**Solution:** 

$$R_{2}C_{0}\frac{dV_{C_{0}}}{dt} + \left(\frac{R_{1} + R_{2}}{R_{1}}\right)V_{C_{0}} - V_{2} = 0$$
 (4.16)  

$$C_{0}\frac{dV_{C_{0}}}{dt} = \frac{2V_{2} - V_{C_{0}}(t)}{R_{2}} - \frac{V_{C_{0}}(t)}{R_{1}}$$
 (4.17)  

$$V_{C_{0}}(t)_{n}^{n+1} = \int_{n}^{n+1} \left(\frac{2V_{2}(t) - V_{C_{0}}(t)}{R_{2}C_{0}} - \frac{V_{C_{0}}(t)}{R_{1}C_{0}}\right)dt$$
 (4.18)

By the trapezoidal rule of integration, we approximate the following integral

$$\int_{a}^{b} f(t)dt = \frac{b-a}{2} \left( f(a) + f(b) \right)$$
 (4.19)

Consider  $y(t) = V_{C_0}(t)$ , and simplifying using trapezoid rule on right hand side of the equation, we have

$$y(n+1) - y(n) = \frac{1}{R_2 C_0} (u(n) + u(n+1))$$
$$-\frac{1}{2} (y(n+1) + y(n)) \left( \frac{1}{R_1 C_0} + \frac{1}{R_2 C_0} \right)$$
(4.20)

Thus, the difference equation is

$$y(n+1)\left(1 + \frac{1}{2R_1C_0} + \frac{1}{2R_2C_0}\right)$$

$$= y(n)\left(1 - \frac{1}{2R_1C_0} - \frac{1}{2R_2C_0}\right)$$

$$+ \frac{1}{R_2C_0}\left(u(n) + u(n+1)\right)$$
(4.21)

5. Find H(z).

**Solution:** Applying Z-transform to the (4.21) on both sides, we have

$$zY(z)\left(\frac{2R_1R_2C_0 + R_1 + R_2}{2R_1R_2C_0}\right) = Y(z)\left(\frac{2R_1R_2C_0 - R_1 - R_2}{2R_1R_2C_0}\right) + \frac{1}{R_2C_0}\left(\frac{1}{1 - z^{-1}} + \frac{z}{1 - z^{-1}}\right)$$
(4.22)

$$Y(z) = \frac{\left(\frac{1+z}{R_2C_0(1-z^{-1})}\right)2R_1R_2C_0}{(2R_1R_2C_0(z-1)) + (z+1)(R_1+R_2)}$$
(4.23)

$$X(z) = \mathcal{Z}[x(n)] = \mathcal{Z}[2u(n)] = \frac{2}{1 - z^{-1}}$$
 (4.24)

Using  $H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)}$ , and substituting values

$$H(z) = \frac{(1+z)}{(4C_0(z-1)) + 3(z+1)}$$
 (4.25)

$$H(z) = \frac{1 + z^{-1}}{(3 + 4C_0) + (3 - 4C_0)z^{-1}}$$
(4.26)

Region of convergence (ROC) for the Z-transform is

$$|z| > \max\left(1, \left| \frac{3 + 4 \times 10^{-6}}{4 \times 10^{-6} - 3} \right| \right)$$
 (4.27)

6. How can you obtain H(z) from H(s)?

**Solution:** To convert H(z) to H(s), we use the bilinear transform.

It maps transfer function of Z-transform to transfer function of s-domain.

$$s \longleftrightarrow \frac{2}{T} \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{1 + z^{-1}} \tag{4.28}$$

T = 1 is the step size in trapezoidal rule From (4.11), we have

$$H(s) = \frac{1}{sR_2C_0 + 1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1}}$$
(4.29)

$$H(z) = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1-z^{-1}}{1+z^{-1}}\right)2R_2C_0 + 1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1}}$$
(4.30)

$$H(z) = \frac{1 + z^{-1}}{4C_0 (1 - z^{-1}) + 3 (1 + z^{-1})}$$
(4.31)

$$H(z) = \frac{1 + z^{-1}}{(3 + 4C_0) + (3 - 4C_0)z^{-1}}$$
(4.32)

The equation obtained is the same as the equation (4.26).

7. Plot y(n), y(t), and voltage through ngspice. Verify that they are the same.

**Solution:** To obtain y(n) from Y(z), we apply inverse  $\mathbb{Z}$ -transform to (4.23) and substitute values.

$$Y(z) = \frac{\left(\frac{1+z}{(1-z^{-1})}\right) 2R_1}{(2R_1R_2C_0(z-1)) + (z+1)(R_1+R_2)}$$
(4.33)

$$Y(z) = \frac{2(1+z)}{4C_0(1-z^{-1})(z-1) + 3(1+z)(1-z^{-1})}$$
(4.34)

$$Y(z) = \frac{2(1+z)}{4C_0(z+z^{-1}-2)+3(z-z^{-1})}$$
(4.35)  
=  $\frac{2}{3} \left( \frac{1}{1-z^{-1}} - \frac{4C_0}{(4C_0+3)+(3-4C_0)z^{-1}} \right)$  (4.36)

$$y(n) = \frac{2}{3} \left( 1 - \frac{\left( 1 - 7.5 \times 10^5 \right)^n}{\left( 1 + 7.5 \times 10^5 \right)^{n+1}} \right) u(n) \quad (4.37)$$

Using binomial approximation because  $n \approx 10^{-7}$ ,

$$y(n) = \frac{2}{3} \left( 1 - \frac{\left( 1 - 7.5 \times 10^5 \right) n}{\left( 1 + 7.5 \times 10^5 \right) n} \right) u(n)$$
 (4.38)

Download the following python code to verify the plots of y(t), ngspice plot and  $y(n) = y(t)|_{t=n}$ 

