Circuits and Transforms

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1. Definitions

1.1 The unit step function is defined as

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

1.2 The Laplace transform of g(t) is defined as

$$G(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t)e^{-st} dt$$
 (1.2) Fig. 2.3. Circuit diagram at steady state before flipping the switch

2. LAPLACE TRANSFORM

- 2.1. 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 μ C. Then S is switched to position Q. After a long time, the charge on the capacitor is $q_2 \mu C$
- 2.2. Draw the circuit using latex-tikz

Solution:

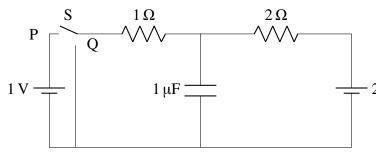
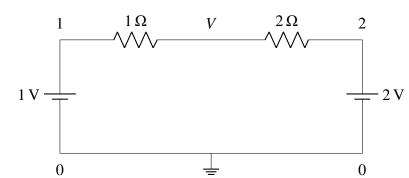


Fig. 2.2. Circuit diagram of the circuit in question

2.3. Find q_1

Solution: After a long time, when steady state is achieved, a capacitor behaves like an open circuit, i.e., current passing through it is zero



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By Kirchoff's junction law, we get

$$\frac{V-1}{1} + \frac{V-2}{2} = 0 \tag{2.1}$$

$$\implies V = \frac{4}{3} V \tag{2.2}$$

$$\implies q_1 = CV = \frac{4}{3} \,\mu\text{C} \tag{2.3}$$

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

Solution: The Laplace transform of u(t) is given by

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{u(t)\right\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u(t)e^{-st} \, \mathrm{d}t \qquad (2.4)$$

$$= \int_0^\infty e^{-st} \, \mathrm{d}t \tag{2.5}$$

$$=\lim_{R\to\infty}\frac{1-e^{-sR}}{s}\tag{2.6}$$

This limit is finite only if $\Re(s) > 0$, which is going to be its ROC

Therefore

$$u(t) \stackrel{\mathcal{L}}{\longleftrightarrow} \frac{1}{s} \qquad \Re(s) > 0 \qquad (2.7)$$

2.5. Show that

$$e^{-at}u(t) \stackrel{\mathcal{L}}{\longleftrightarrow} \frac{1}{s+a} \qquad a > 0$$
 (2.8)

and find the ROC

Solution: The Laplace transform of $e^{-at}u(t)$ for a > 0 is given by

$$\mathcal{L}\{u(t)\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-at} u(t) e^{-st} dt$$
 (2.9)
=
$$\int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-(s+a)t} dt$$
 (2.10)
=
$$\lim_{R \to \infty} \frac{1 - e^{-(s+a)R}}{s+a}$$
 (2.11)

(2.11)

This limit is finite only if $\Re(s+a) > 0$, which is going to be its ROC

Therefore

$$e^{-at}u(t) \stackrel{\mathcal{L}}{\longleftrightarrow} \frac{1}{s+a} \qquad \Re(s) > -a \qquad (2.12)$$

since a is real

2.6. Now consider the following resistive circuit transformed from Fig. ??

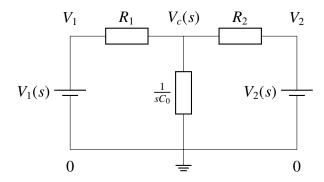


Fig. 2.6. Circuit diagram in s-domain before flipping the switch

where

$$u(t) \stackrel{\mathcal{L}}{\longleftrightarrow} V_1(s)$$
 (2.13)

$$2u(t) \stackrel{\mathcal{L}}{\longleftrightarrow} V_2(s) \tag{2.14}$$

Find the voltage across the capacitor $V_c(s)$ **Solution:**

By Kirchoff's junction law, we get

$$\frac{V_c - V_1}{R_1} + \frac{V_c - V_2}{R_2} + \frac{V_c - 0}{\frac{1}{sC_0}} = 0 \quad (2.17)$$

$$\Longrightarrow V_c \left(\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + sC_0 \right) = \frac{V_1}{R_1} + \frac{V_2}{R_2} \quad (2.18)$$

$$\Longrightarrow V_c(s) = \frac{\frac{1}{sR_1} + \frac{2}{sR_2}}{\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + sC_0}$$
 (2.19)

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{R_1 C_0} + \frac{2}{R_2 C_0}}{s \left(s + \frac{1}{R_1 C_0} + \frac{1}{R_2 C_0}\right)}$$
(2.20)

2.7. Find $v_c(t)$. Plot using Python.

Solution: On performing partial fraction decomposition

$$V_c(s) = \frac{\frac{1}{R_1 C_0} + \frac{2}{R_2 C_0}}{\frac{1}{R_1 C_0} + \frac{1}{R_2 C_0}} \left(\frac{1}{s} - \frac{1}{s + \frac{1}{R_1 C_0} + \frac{1}{R_2 C_0}} \right), \Re(s) > 0$$
(2.21)

On taking the inverse Laplace transform, we

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

$$= \frac{2R_1 + R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \left(1 - e^{-\left(\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}\right)\frac{t}{C_0}} \right) u(t) \quad (2.23)$$

Substitute the values $R_1 = 1 \Omega$, $R_2 = 2 \Omega$, $C_0 =$

$$v_c(t) = \frac{4}{3} \left(1 - e^{-\frac{3}{2} \times 10^6 t} \right) u(t) \,\mathrm{V}$$
 (2.24)

2.8. Verify your result using ngspice

Solution: Download the following codes for simulation and plotting Fig. ?? respectively

wget https://github.com/adithyajadhav01/ EE3900/blob/main/CIRCUITS/codes/2.8.

wget https://github.com/adithyajadhav01/ EE3900/blob/main/CIRCUITS/codes/2.7.

Run the codes by executing

ngspice 2.8.cir python 2.7.py

2.9. Obtain Fig. ?? using the equivalent differential equation

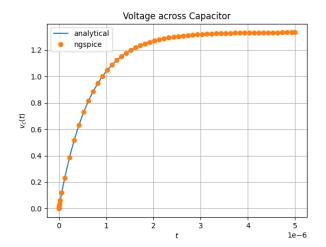


Fig. 2.8. Plot of $v_c(t)$ before flipping the switch

Solution: Using Kirchoff's junction law

$$\frac{v_c(t) - v_1(t)}{R_1} + \frac{v_c(t) - v_2(t)}{R_2} + \frac{dq}{dt} = 0 \quad (2.25)$$

where q(t) is the charge on the capacitor On taking the Laplace transform on both sides of this equation

$$\frac{V_c(s) - V_1(s)}{R_1} + \frac{V_c(s) - V_2(s)}{R_2} + (sQ(s) - q(0^-)) = 0$$
(2.26)

But $q(0^{-}) = 0$ and

$$q(t) = C_0 v_c(t)$$
 (2.27)

$$\implies Q(s) = C_0 V_c(s)$$
 (2.28)

Thus

$$\frac{V_c(s) - V_1(s)}{R_1} + \frac{V_c(s) - V_2(s)}{R_2} + sC_0V_c(s) = 0$$
(2.29)

$$\Longrightarrow \frac{V_c(s) - V_1(s)}{R_1} + \frac{V_c(s) - V_2(s)}{R_2} + \frac{V_c(s) - 0}{\frac{1}{sC_0}} = 0$$
(2.30)

which is the same equation as the one we obtained from Fig. ??

3. Initial Conditions

3.1. Find q_2 in Fig. ??

Solution: After a long time, when steady state is achieved, a capacitor behaves like an open circuit, i.e., current passing through it is zero

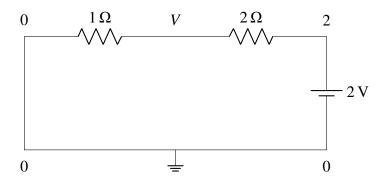


Fig. 3.1. Circuit diagram at steady state after flipping the switch

By Kirchoff's junction law, we get

$$\frac{V-0}{1} + \frac{V-2}{2} = 0 \tag{3.1}$$

$$\implies V = \frac{2}{3} V \tag{3.2}$$

$$\implies q_2 = CV = \frac{2}{3} \,\mu\text{C} \tag{3.3}$$

3.2. 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:

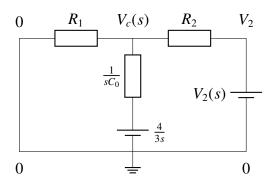


Fig. 3.2. Circuit diagram in s-domain after flipping the switch

The battery $\frac{4}{3s}$ corresponds to the intial potential difference of $\frac{4}{3}$ V across the capacitor just before switching it to Q

3.3. Find $V_c(s)$

Solution: By Kirchoff's junction law, we get

$$\frac{V_c - 0}{R_1} + \frac{V_c - V_2}{R_2} + \frac{V_c - \frac{4}{3s}}{\frac{1}{sC_0}} = 0$$
 (3.4)

$$\Longrightarrow V_c \left(\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + sC_0 \right) = \frac{V_2}{R_2} + \frac{4}{3}C_0 \quad (3.5)$$

$$\Longrightarrow V_c(s) = \frac{\frac{2}{sR_2} + \frac{4}{3}C_0}{\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + sC_0}$$
 (3.6)

$$= \frac{\frac{2}{R_2 C_0} + \frac{4}{3}s}{s\left(s + \frac{1}{R_1 C_0} + \frac{1}{R_2 C_0}\right)}$$
(3.7)

3.4. Find $v_c(t)$. Plot using Python

Solution: On performing partial fraction decomposition

$$V_c(s) = \frac{4}{3} \left(\frac{1}{s + \frac{1}{R_1 C_0} + \frac{1}{R_2 C_0}} \right) + \frac{\frac{2}{R_2 C_0}}{\frac{1}{R_1 C_0} + \frac{1}{R_2 C_0}} \left(\frac{1}{s} - \frac{1}{s + \frac{1}{R_1 C_0} + \frac{1}{R_2 C_0}} \right)$$
(3.8)

for $\Re(s) > 0$

On taking the inverse Laplace transform, we get

$$v_c(t) = \frac{4}{3}e^{-\left(\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}\right)\frac{t}{C_0}}u(t) + \frac{2R_1}{R_1 + R_2}\left(u(t) - e^{-\left(\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}\right)\frac{t}{C_0}}u(t)\right)$$
(3.9)

Substitute the values $R_1 = 1 \Omega$, $R_2 = 2 \Omega$, $C_0 = 1 \mu F$

$$v_c(t) = \frac{4}{3}e^{-\frac{3}{2}\times10^6t}u(t) + \frac{2}{3}\left(1 - e^{-\frac{3}{2}\times10^6t}\right)u(t)$$
(3.10)

$$= \frac{2}{3} \left(1 + e^{-\frac{3}{2} \times 10^6 t} \right) u(t) V$$
 (3.11)

3.5. Verify your result using ngspice

Solution: Download the following codes for simulation and plotting Fig. ?? respectively

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wget https://github.com/adithyajadhav01/ EE3900/blob/main/CIRCUITS/codes/3.4. py

Run the codes by executing

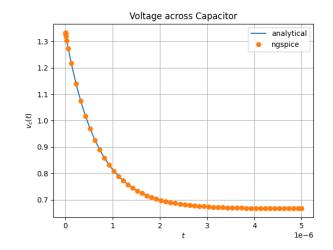


Fig. 3.5. Plot of $v_c(t)$ after flipping the switch

ngspice 3.5.cir python 3.4.py

3.6. Find $v_c(0^-)$, $v_c(0^+)$ and $v_c(\infty)$

Solution: At $t = 0^-$, the switch still hasn't been switched to Q and the circuit is in steady state

$$v_c(0^-) = \frac{4}{3} V$$
 (3.12)

For $t \ge 0$, we can use the above formula

$$v_c(0^+) = \lim_{t \to 0^+} v_c(t) = \frac{4}{3} V$$
 (3.13)

$$v_c(\infty) = \lim_{t \to \infty} v_c(t) = \frac{2}{3} V$$
 (3.14)

3.7. Obtain Fig. ?? using the equivalent differential equation

Solution: Using Kirchoff's junction law

$$\frac{v_c(t) - 0}{R_1} + \frac{v_c(t) - v_2(t)}{R_2} + \frac{dq}{dt} = 0$$
 (3.15)

where q(t) is the charge on the capacitor On taking the Laplace transform on both sides of this equation

$$\frac{V_c(s) - 0}{R_1} + \frac{V_c(s) - V_2(s)}{R_2} + (sQ(s) - q(0^-)) = 0$$
(3.16)

But $q(0^-) = \frac{4}{3}C_0$ and

$$q(t) = C_0 v_c(t)$$
 (3.17)

$$\implies Q(s) = C_0 V_c(s)$$
 (3.18)

Thus

$$\frac{V_c(s) - 0}{R_1} + \frac{V_c(s) - V_2(s)}{R_2} + \left(sC_0V_c(s) - \frac{4}{3}C_0\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\implies \frac{V_c(s) - 0}{R_1} + \frac{V_c(s) - V_2(s)}{R_2} + \frac{V_c(s) - \frac{4}{3s}}{\frac{1}{sC_0}} = 0$$

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which is the same equation as the one we obtained from Fig. ??

4. BILINEAR TRANSFORM

4.1. In Fig. $\ref{eq:sphere}$, consider the case when S is switched to Q right in the beginning. Formulate the differential equation

Solution: The differential equation is the same as before

$$\frac{v_c(t) - 0}{R_1} + \frac{v_c(t) - v_2(t)}{R_2} + \frac{\mathrm{d}q}{\mathrm{d}t} = 0 \quad (4.1)$$

i.e.,
$$\frac{v_c(t)}{R_1} + \frac{v_c(t) - v_2(t)}{R_2} + C_0 \frac{dv_c}{dt} = 0$$
 (4.2)

but with a different initial condition

$$q(0^{-}) = q(0) = 0 (4.3)$$

4.2. Find H(s) considering the outur voltage at the capacitor

Solution: On taking the Laplace transform on both sides of this equation

$$\frac{V_c(s)}{R_1} + \frac{V_c(s) - V_2(s)}{R_2} + sQ(s) - 0 = 0$$

(4.4)

$$\implies V_c(s) \left(\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} \right) + sC_0 V_c(s) = \frac{V_2(s)}{R_2}$$
(4.5)

$$\Longrightarrow \frac{V_c(s)}{V_2(s)} = \frac{\frac{1}{R_2}}{\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + sC_0}$$
 (4.6)

The transfer function is thus

$$H(s) = \frac{\frac{1}{R_2 C_0}}{s + \frac{1}{R_1 C_0} + \frac{1}{R_2 C_0}}$$
(4.7)

On substituting the values, we get

$$H(s) = \frac{5 \times 10^5}{s + 1.5 \times 10^6} \tag{4.8}$$

4.3. Plot H(s). What kind of filter is it? **Solution:** Download the following Python code that plots Fig. ??

wget https://github.com/adithyajadhav01/ 0 EE3900/blob/main/CIRCUITS/codes/4.3. py

Run the codes by executing

python 4.3.py

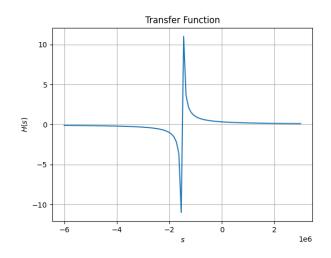


Fig. 4.3. Plot of H(s)

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

$$H(j\omega) = \frac{5 \times 10^5}{j\omega + 1.5 \times 10^6}$$
 (4.9)

$$\Longrightarrow |H(J\omega)| = \frac{5 \times 10^5}{\sqrt{\omega^2 + 2.25 \times 10^{12}}} \quad (4.10)$$

As ω increases, $|H(j\omega)|$ decreases

In other words, the amplitude of highfrequency signals gets diminished and they get filtered out

Therefore, this is a low-pass filter

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

$$y(n) = y(t)|_{t=n}$$
 (4.11)

Solution:

$$\frac{v_c(t)}{R_1} + \frac{v_c(t) - v_2(t)}{R_2} + C_0 \frac{\mathrm{d}v_c}{\mathrm{d}t} = 0 \quad (4.12)$$

$$\Longrightarrow C_0 \frac{\mathrm{d}v_c}{\mathrm{d}t} = \frac{2u(t) - v_c(t)}{R_2} - \frac{v_c(t)}{R_1} \tag{4.13}$$

$$\implies |v_c(t)|_{t=n}^{n+1} = \int_n^{n+1} \left(\frac{2u(t) - v_c(t)}{R_2 C_0} - \frac{v_c(t)}{R_1 C_0} \right) dt$$
(4.14)

By the trapezoidal rule of integration

$$\int_{a}^{b} f(t)dt \approx \frac{b-a}{2}(f(a)+f(b)) \qquad (4.15)$$

Consider $y(t) = v_c(t)$

$$y(n+1) - y(n) = \frac{1}{R_2 C_0} (u(n) + u(n+1))$$
$$-\frac{1}{2} (y(n+1) + y(n)) \left(\frac{1}{R_1 C_0} + \frac{1}{R_2 C_0} \right)$$
(4.16)

Thus, the difference equation is

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

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

$$+ \frac{1}{R_2C_0}\left(u(n) + u(n+1)\right) \quad (4.17)$$

4.5. Find H(z)

Solution: Let $\mathcal{Z}\{y(n)\} = Y(z)$

On taking the Z-transform on both sides of the difference equation

$$zY(z)\left(1 + \frac{1}{2R_1C_0} + \frac{1}{2R_2C_0}\right)$$

$$= Y(z)\left(1 - \frac{1}{2R_1C_0} - \frac{1}{2R_2C_0}\right)$$

$$+ \frac{1}{R_2C_0}\left(\frac{1}{1 - z^{-1}} + \frac{z}{1 - z^{-1}}\right) \quad (4.18)$$

$$Y(z)\left(z + \frac{z}{2R_1C_0} + \frac{z}{2R_2C_0} - 1 + \frac{1}{2R_1C_0} + \frac{1}{2R_2C_0}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{R_2C_0} \frac{1+z}{1-z^{-1}} \quad (4.19)$$

Also

$$v_2(t) = 2 \qquad \forall t \ge 0 \qquad (4.20)$$

$$\implies x(n) = 2u(n) \qquad (4.21)$$

$$\implies X(z) = \frac{2}{1 - z^{-1}} \qquad |z| > 1 \qquad (4.22)$$

Thus, the transfer function in z-domain is

$$H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1+z}{2R_2C_0}}{z + \frac{z}{2R_1C_0} + \frac{z}{2R_2C_0} - 1 + \frac{1}{2R_1C_0} + \frac{1}{2R_2C_0}}{(4.24)}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1+z^{-1}}{2R_2C_0}}{1 + \frac{1}{2R_1C_0} + \frac{1}{2R_2C_0} - z^{-1} + \frac{z^{-1}}{2R_1C_0} + \frac{z^{-1}}{2R_2C_0}}$$

$$(4.25)$$

On substituting the values

$$H(z) = \frac{2.5 \times 10^5 (1 + z^{-1})}{7.5 \times 10^5 + 1 + (7.5 \times 10^5 - 1)z^{-1}}$$
(4.26)

with the ROC being

$$|z| > \max\left(1, \left| \frac{7.5 \times 10^5 - 1}{7.5 \times 10^5 + 1} \right| \right)$$
 (4.27)

$$\implies |z| > 1 \tag{4.28}$$

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

Solution: The Z-transform can be obtained from the Laplace transform by the substitution

$$s = \frac{2}{T} \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{1 + z^{-1}} \tag{4.29}$$

where T is the step size of the trapezoidal rule (1 in our case)

This is known as the bilinear transform Thus

$$H(z) = \frac{\frac{1}{R_2C_0}}{2\frac{1-z^{-1}}{1+z^{-1}} + \frac{1}{R_1C_0} + \frac{1}{R_2C_0}}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{\frac{1+z^{-1}}{2R_2C_0}}{1-z^{-1} + \left(\frac{1}{2R_1C_0} + \frac{1}{2R_2C_0}\right)(1+z^{-1})}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{\frac{1+z^{-1}}{2R_2C_0}}{1+\frac{1}{2R_1C_0} + \frac{1}{2R_2C_0} - z^{-1} + \frac{z^{-1}}{2R_1C_0} + \frac{z^{-1}}{2R_2C_0}}$$

$$= \frac{2.5 \times 10^5(1+z^{-1})}{7.5 \times 10^5 + 1 + (7.5 \times 10^5 - 1)z^{-1}}$$

$$(4.33)$$

which is the same as what we obtained earlier