

The transfer function of the motor-driver system is given by equation (1).

$$\frac{V_{out}(s)}{V_{in}(s)} = \frac{C_1}{C_2 s + 1} \quad (1)$$

From equation (1), one can solve for  $V_{out}(t)$  in terms of  $V_{in}(t)$ :

$$\frac{V_{out}(s)}{V_{in}(s)} = \frac{C_1}{C_2 s + 1} \rightarrow V_{out}(s) = \frac{C_1 V_{in}(s)}{C_2 s + 1} = \frac{C_1}{C_2} \frac{V_{in}(s)}{s + \frac{1}{C_2}} = \frac{C_1}{C_2} \left[ \frac{V_{in}(s - \frac{1}{C_2})}{s} \right] \Big|_{s \rightarrow s + \frac{1}{C_2}} \quad (2)$$

Apply the inverse Laplace transform to acquire  $V_{out}(t)$  from  $V_{out}(s)$ .

$$V_{out}(t) = \frac{C_1}{C_2} e^{-\frac{t}{C_2}} \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{V_{in}(s - \frac{1}{C_2})}{s} \right\} = \frac{C_1}{C_2} e^{-\frac{t}{C_2}} \int_0^t \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ V_{in}(s - \frac{1}{C_2}) \right\} dt' = \frac{C_1}{C_2} e^{-\frac{t}{C_2}} \int_0^t e^{\frac{t'}{C_2}} V_{in}(t') dt' \quad (3)$$

Substitute  $C_1 = \frac{K}{B}$  and  $C_2 = \frac{J}{B}$  to acquire the final expression:

$$V_{out}(t) = \frac{K}{J} e^{-\frac{Bt}{J}} \int_0^t e^{\frac{Bt'}{J}} V_{in}(t') dt' \quad (4)$$

The steady-state value is the value of  $V_{out}(t)$  as  $t$  becomes large.

$$V_{out,ss} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{K}{J} e^{-\frac{Bt}{J}} \int_0^t e^{\frac{Bt'}{J}} V_{in}(t') dt' \quad (5)$$

In this particular experiment,  $V_{in}(t) = V_{in} 1(t)$ . The step response can then be determined for this family of reference voltages.

$$V_{out}(t) = \frac{K}{J} e^{-\frac{Bt}{J}} \int_0^t e^{\frac{Bt'}{J}} V_{in} 1(t') dt' = \frac{K}{J} e^{-\frac{Bt}{J}} \int_0^t e^{\frac{Bt'}{J}} V_{in} dt' = \frac{K}{J} e^{-\frac{Bt}{J}} V_{in} \int_0^t e^{\frac{Bt'}{J}} dt' = \frac{K}{J} e^{-\frac{Bt}{J}} V_{in} \frac{J}{B} (e^{\frac{Bt}{J}} - 1) \quad (6)$$

So, the step response is given by:

$$V_{in}(t) = \frac{K}{B} V_{in} (1 - e^{-\frac{t}{(\frac{J}{B})}}) = C_1 V_{in} (1 - e^{-\frac{t}{C_2}}) \quad (7)$$

The steady state response can be determined by taking the limit in equation (5).

$$V_{in}(t) = \frac{K}{B} V_{in} = C_1 V_{in} \quad (8)$$

The time constant is determined by observing when the output attains  $(1 - e^{-1})$  times its steady state value. The time at which this occurs is known as the time constant. By inspection, equation (7) implies that this occurs at  $t = C_2 = \frac{J}{B}$ .

$$\tau = C_2 = \frac{J}{B} \quad (9)$$