

(a)

$$\text{Let } x(t) = A(1 - e^{-\frac{t}{T}})H(t) \equiv A(1 - e^{-\frac{t}{T}})H(t-0)$$

$$x(0) = A(1 - e^{-\frac{0}{T}})H(0-0) = A(1-1)0 = 0$$

$$\text{Substitution gives } \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} A(1 - e^{-\frac{t}{T}})H(t) =$$

$$= A \left(-\frac{1}{T} \right) e^{-\frac{t}{T}} H(t) + A(1 - e^{-\frac{t}{T}}) \delta(t-0) = \frac{A}{T} e^{-\frac{t}{T}} H(t) + A(1 - e^{-\frac{0}{T}}) = \frac{A}{T} e^{-\frac{t}{T}} H(t) + A(1-1) = \frac{A}{T} e^{-\frac{t}{T}} H(t)$$

Then substitution of x and $\frac{dx}{dt}$ into the original equation gives

$$T \frac{dx}{dt} + x = T \left[\frac{A}{T} e^{-\frac{t}{T}} H(t) \right] + A(1 - e^{-\frac{t}{T}}) H(t) = A e^{-\frac{t}{T}} H(t) + A(1 - e^{-\frac{t}{T}}) H(t) = AH(t)$$

(b) Note the solution for $T \frac{dx}{dt} + x = AH(t-\tau)$ is $x_\tau(t) = A(1 - e^{-\frac{t}{T}})H(t-\tau)$ following the

prescription in (a). Also our original solution from (a) we can write

$$x_0(t) = A(1 - e^{-\frac{t}{T}})H(t-0)$$

Therefore define a block function from $t = 0$ to $t = \tau$ of a superposition of these two solutions. Note below (IMPORTANT)

step up at $t = 0$ with $H(t-0)$ and step down at $t = \tau$ with $-H(t-\tau)$

therefore our solution is $A((1 - e^{-t/T})H(t-0) - (1 - e^{-(t-\tau)/T})H(t-\tau))$

Aside: Note as motivation for (c)

$$\delta(t) = \lim_{\tau \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\tau} [H(t-0) - H(t-\tau)]$$

To evaluate (c) the impulse

$$x(t)_{\text{IMPULSE}} = \lim_{\tau \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\tau} [(1 - e^{-t/T})H(t-0) - (1 - e^{-(t-\tau)/T})H(t-\tau)]$$

$$= \lim_{\tau \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\tau} [(1 - e^{-t/T})H(t-0) - (1 - e^{-t/T} e^{\tau/T})H(t-\tau)]$$

I had to use **Taylor series expansions for $e^{\tau/T}$** for this exponential to handle tau going to 0 in the denominator. See if you can finish.

(d) is much easier, just take Laplace transform of the give DE with delta and solve in s space and inverse transform back to t!!!