

EECS 16B

Designing Information Devices and Systems II

Lecture 3

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Transient Response

- Outline
 - R-C circuits
 - R-L circuits
 - R-L-C Circuits

- Reading- Hambley text sections 4.1-4.5, slides

Recap: R-C circuits: Response in time

We now ask a slightly different question. What happens if a capacitor that had initially no charge is connected to a constant voltage at $t=0$

$$v_R + v_C = V_S$$

$$iR + v_C = V_S$$

$$RC \frac{dv_C}{dt} + v_C = V_S$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dv_C}{dt} + \frac{v_C}{\tau} = \frac{V_S}{\tau}$$

Divide by RC

Put, $V_S = 0 \rightarrow$ find v_C

Put $V_S \rightarrow$ find v_C

add those two results

$$\tau = RC$$

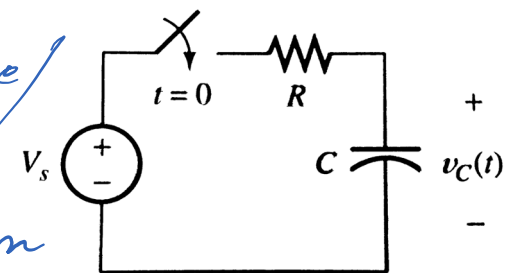
$$V_S = 0$$

natural response

homogeneous solution

$$\frac{dv_C}{dt} + \frac{v_C}{\tau} = 0$$

$$v_C^h(t) = A e^{-t/\tau}$$



R-C circuits: Response in time

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$$\frac{dv_c}{dt} + \frac{v_c}{\tau} = \frac{V_s}{\tau} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

First order, linear differential equation

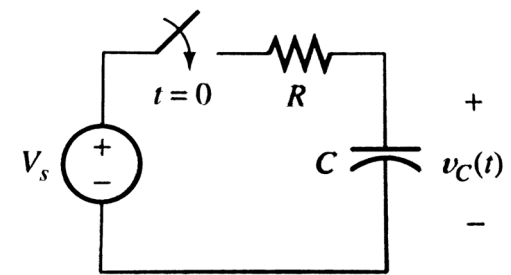
if we can convert eqⁿ (1) to look like

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = g(t) \Rightarrow y(t) = \int_0^t g(t') dt'$$

Multiply eqⁿ (1) by an unknown function $f(t)$

$$f(t) \frac{dv_c}{dt} + \frac{f(t)}{\tau} v_c = V_s \frac{f(t)}{\tau} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{d}{dt}(mn) = m \frac{dn}{dt} + n \frac{dm}{dt} \end{array} \right.$$

$$f(t) \frac{dv_c}{dt} + v_c \frac{df(t)}{dt} = V_s \frac{f(t)}{\tau} \Rightarrow \text{if } \frac{df(t)}{dt} = \frac{f(t)}{\tau}$$



R-C circuits: Response in time

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$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{V_s f(t)}{\tau} \quad \text{where,}$$

$$\Rightarrow y(t) = \int_0^t \frac{V_s}{\tau} f(t') dt'$$

$$f(t) \downarrow v_c(t) = \int_0^t \frac{V_s}{\tau} e^{t'/\tau} dt'$$

$$\Rightarrow v_c(t) = \frac{1}{f(t)} \int_0^t \frac{V_s}{\tau} e^{t'/\tau} dt'$$

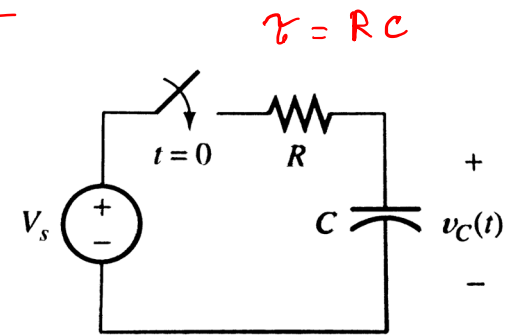
$$v_c^p(t) = e^{-t/\tau} \int_0^t \frac{V_s}{\tau} e^{t'/\tau} dt'$$

$$\frac{df(t)}{dt} = \frac{f(t)}{\tau}$$

$$\int \frac{df}{f} = \int \frac{dt}{\tau}$$

$$\ln f = \frac{t}{\tau}$$

$$f = e^{t/\tau}$$



$$v_c(t) = v_c^h(t) + v_c^p(t)$$

$$v_c(t) = A e^{-t/\tau} + e^{-t/\tau} \int_0^t \frac{V_s}{\tau} e^{t'/\tau} dt'$$

Charging and Discharging a Capacitor

$v_c = 0$ at $t = 0$, $V_s = V_0 \rightarrow$ constant voltage

$$v_c(t) = A e^{-t/\tau} + \int_0^t dt' \frac{V_s}{\tau} e^{-t'/\tau}$$

$$\int_0^t dt' \frac{V_0}{\tau} e^{-t'/\tau} = \frac{V_0}{\tau} \int_0^t dt' e^{-t'/\tau}$$

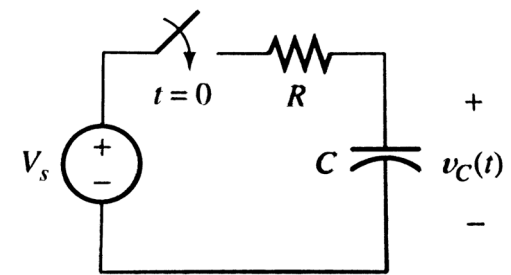
$$= \frac{V_0}{\tau} \left[-\tau e^{-t'/\tau} \right]_0^t = -V_0 \left[e^{-t/\tau} - 1 \right]$$

$$= V_0 \left[1 - e^{-t/\tau} \right]$$

$$v_c(t) = A e^{-t/\tau} + V_0 \left[1 - e^{-t/\tau} \right]$$

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$$\int e^{ax} dx = \frac{1}{a} e^{ax}$$



initial condition
 $v_c = 0$, $t = 0$

$$0 = A e^0 + V_0 [1 - e^0]$$

$$\Rightarrow A = 0$$

$$v_c(t) = V_0 \left[1 - e^{-t/\tau} \right]$$

General Solution of the First order, Linear, Differential Equation

For a first order, linear differential equation of the form

$$\frac{dy}{dt} + ay(t) = b(t) \quad \text{where we assume } a \text{ to be a constant}$$

Homogeneous/Complementary solution

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dt} + ay(t) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{y} &= -a \\ \Rightarrow \ln(y) &= -at + C \\ \Rightarrow y(t) &= Ke^{-at} \end{aligned}$$

Particular Solution (Integrating Factor Method):

$$\frac{dy}{dt} + ay(t) = b(t)$$

We want to find a multiplier function $f(t)$ such that

$$f(t) \frac{dy}{dt} + af(t)y(t) = b(t)f(t)$$

can be written as

$$\frac{d}{dt}[y(t)f(t)] = b(t)f(t) \quad \text{--(A)}$$

For equation (A) to hold

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{df(t)}{dt} &= af(t) \\ \Rightarrow f(t) &= e^{at} \end{aligned}$$

Then from (A)

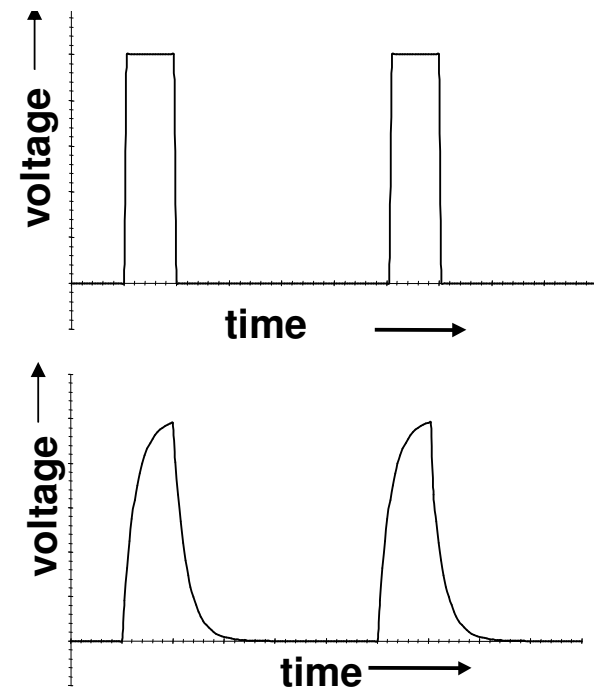
$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= \frac{1}{f(t)} \int b(t)f(t)dt \\ \Rightarrow y_p(t) &= e^{-at} \int e^{at}b(t)dt \end{aligned}$$

$$y(t) = Ke^{-at} + e^{-at} \int e^{at}b(t)dt$$

K is determined using initial condition

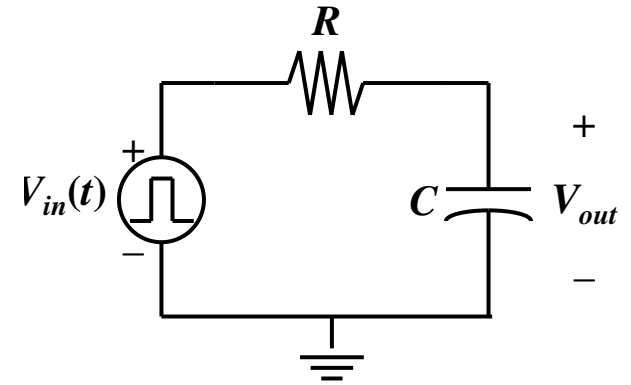
Digital Signals to a RC circuit

- Every node in a real circuit has capacitances
- Even if we send in very 'pure' square looking pulses what we actually get is how it looks in the right due to capacitor charging and discharging unless we go very very slow

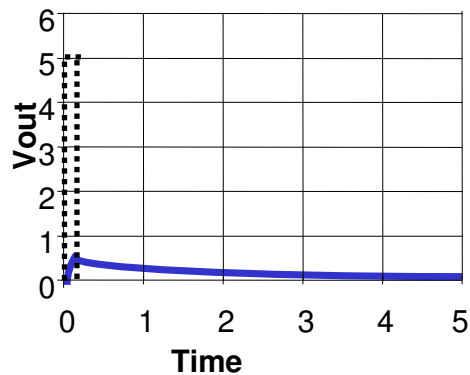


Pulse Distortion

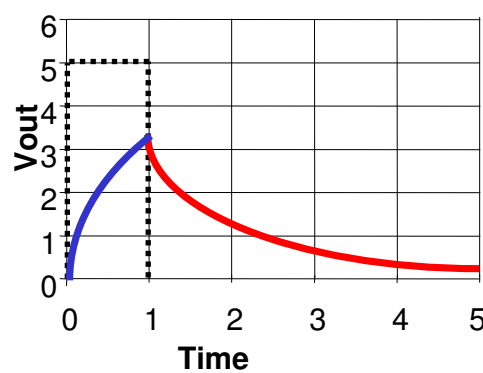
The input voltage pulse width must be large enough; otherwise the pulse is distorted



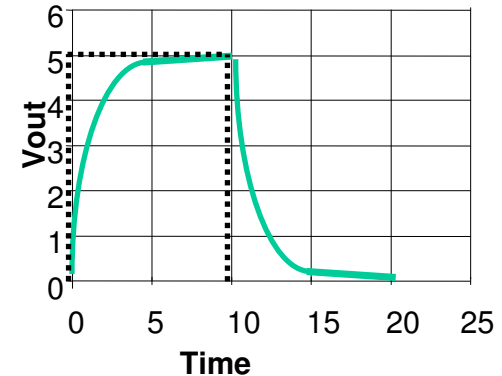
Pulse width = $0.1RC$



Pulse width = RC

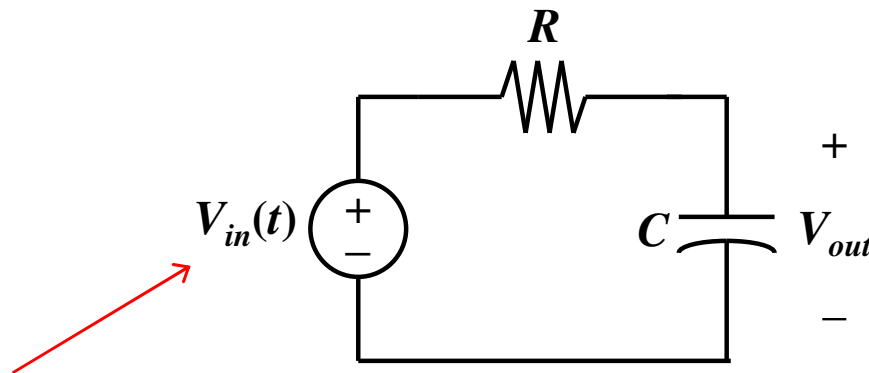


Pulse width = $10RC$



Computers are RC circuits (almost)

- Digital circuits are predominantly RC circuits (other than the communication part)
- Simplistically a logic gate can be model as a RC circuit
- The speed of the computer is limited by the RC time constant



**switches between “low” (logic 0)
and “high” (logic 1) voltage states**

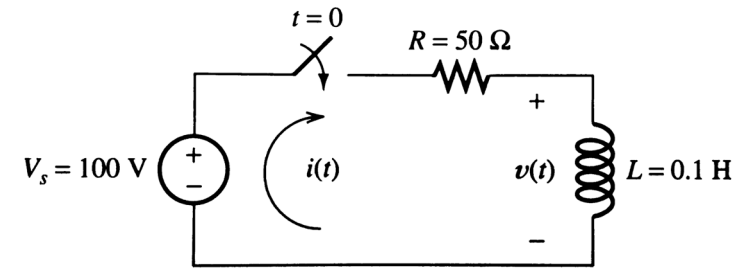
R-L Circuits

$$V_s = iR + L \frac{di}{dt}$$

$$V_s = V_0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{di}{dt} + \frac{i}{(L/R)} = \frac{V_s}{L}$$

$$\therefore i = A e^{-\frac{t}{(L/R)}} + \underbrace{e^{-\frac{t}{(L/R)}} \int_0^t \frac{V_s}{L} e^{\frac{t}{(L/R)}} dt}_{\text{particular solution}}$$



$$= \frac{V_0}{L} \cdot \frac{L}{R} e^{-t/(L/R)} e^{t/(L/R)} \Big|_0^t$$

$$\frac{V_0}{R} \underbrace{\left[1 - e^{-t/(L/R)} \right]}_{i_p(t)}$$

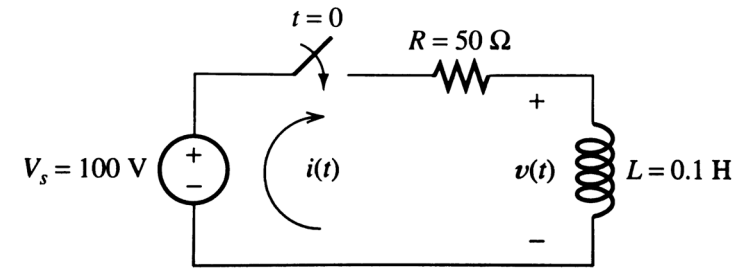
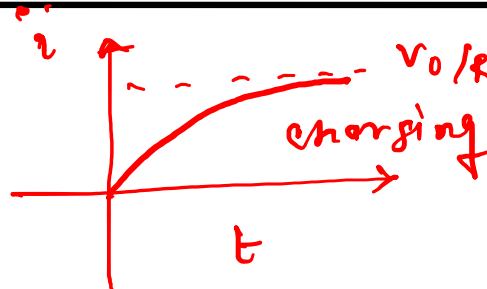
$$\therefore i = A e^{-t/(L/R)} + \frac{V_0}{R} \left[1 - e^{-t/(L/R)} \right]$$

R-L Circuits

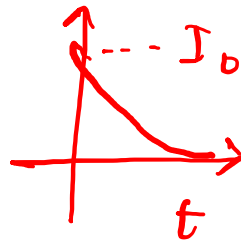
$i = 0$, at $t = 0$

$\therefore A = 0$

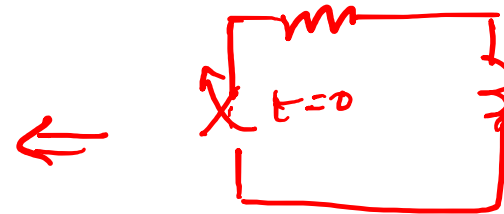
$i = \frac{V_0}{R} \left[1 - e^{-t/(L/R)} \right]$



$i = I_0 e^{-t/(L/R)}$



$i = I_0$ at $t = 0$



discharging

Circuits with a constant source

$$V_c(t) = A e^{-t/\tau} + V_0 [1 - e^{-t/\tau}]$$

$$= \underbrace{(A - V_0)}_B e^{-t/\tau} + V_0$$

$$V_c(t) = \underbrace{B e^{-t/\tau}}_{V_c^h} + \underbrace{V_0}_{V_c^p}$$

check, if $V_c = 0$, at $t = 0$

$$B + V_0 = 0 \Rightarrow B = -V_0$$

$$\therefore V_c(t) = V_0 [1 - e^{-t/\tau}]$$

same as before

Particular Solution: Observations

$$\frac{dy}{dt} + ay = b$$

y follows the same form as b

if b is constant y is constant

if b is $\sin \omega t$ $y = A \sin \omega t + B \cos \omega t$

if $b = At$ $y = Bt + C$

Complex Numbers

- $e^{i\theta} = \cos(\theta) + i\sin(\theta)$
- Read the note j