ECE 232 - Circuits and Systems II Test 3

Please provide clear and complete answers. Don't forget to specify the units of measure!

For the circuit in the figure below, where input and output are denoted by $v_I(t)$ and $v_O(t)$, respectively, answer the following questions. Assume that the initial conditions are zero.



Figure 1:

a. What type of filter is it? Justify your answer by considering the behavior of the circuit for high and low frequencies. What is the cut-off frequency?

b. Find the transfer function H(s) and the impulse response h(t).

c. If the input is $v_I(t) = \cos(10t)u(t)$, what is the output in steady-state? (Hint: Recall the definition of frequency response).

d. Use the convolution integral to find the output if the input is $v_I(t) = \exp(-t)u(t)$. (Hint: Write down the integral between $v_I(t)$ and h(t) using the definition!)

Sol:

a. It is a low-pass filter as it can be justified by following the same reasoning used in class (please see notes). The cut-off frequency is $\omega_c = 1/\tau = R/L = 1$ rad/s.

b. We have

$$H(s) = \frac{1}{1+s}$$
$$h(t) = e^{-t}u(t)$$

c. Evaluating the frequency response for s = j10, we get

$$H(j10) = \frac{1}{1+j10} = 0.0995\angle -84.29^{\circ}$$

In steady-state, we thus have

$$v_O(t) = |H(j10)| \cos(10t + \theta(j10))u(t) = 0.0995 \cos(10t - 84.29^\circ).$$

d.

$$v_{I}(t) * h(t) = \int_{0}^{t} v_{I}(\tau) v_{I}(t-\tau) d\tau$$

=
$$\int_{0}^{t} e^{-\tau} e^{-(t-\tau)} d\tau$$

=
$$\int_{0}^{t} e^{-\tau-t+\tau} d\tau = \int_{0}^{t} e^{-t} d\tau = t e^{-t}.$$