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Problem Set #2

### **A. Operational Amplifiers**

1. Take the three problem “Op Amp Quiz.”  
<http://unicorn.ps.uci.edu/243/psets/OpAmps.pdf>
2. Explain what a current follower is and how it is used in PMT and photodiode circuits.

### **B. LaPlace transforms**

3. Use LaPlace transforms to solve the following differential equations:

a. Fluorescence Decay:

$$\frac{dC}{dt} = -\Gamma C$$

with the initial conditions  $C(0) = C_0$ .

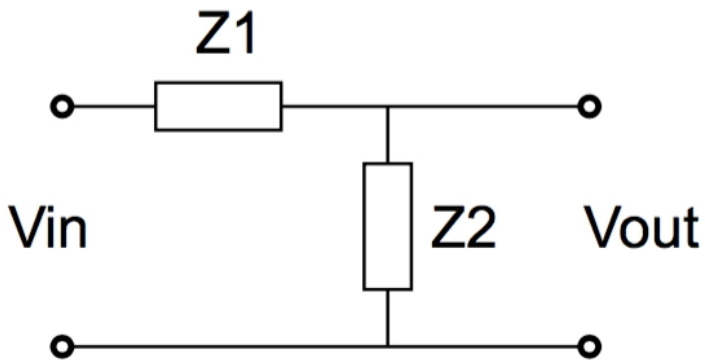
b. Damped Harmonic Oscillator:

$$m \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + 2m\Gamma \frac{dx}{dt} + m\omega^2 x = 0$$

with the initial conditions  $x(0) = X_0$  and  $x'(0) = 0$ . What are the equations when  $\omega = \Gamma$ ?

### **C. Frequency Analysis: Nyquist and Bode Plots**

4. Use LaPlace Transform Analysis to make a Nyquist Impedance Plot and Bode Impedance plots (both magnitude and phase) for an angular frequency range of  $10^{-2}$  rad  $s^{-1}$  to  $10^8$  rad  $s^{-1}$  for these two RC circuits:



Circuit 1:  $Z1 = R, Z2 = C$

Circuit 2  $Z1 = C, Z2 = R$

Where  $R = 1000$  ohms and  $C = 2.0 \mu\text{F}$ .

#### **D. Frequency Domain Fluorescence Measurements.**

Frequency domain fluorescence spectroscopy (fdfs) is an alternative method for obtaining fluorescence lifetimes. In these measurements, two parameters: a phase shift angle ( $\phi$ ) and demodulation factor ( $m$ ), are measured.

5. What is the mathematical relationship between these measured parameters and the fluorescence lifetime ( $\tau$ )? Can you derive this?