Physics 112 Exp.#7: Capacitors and Inductors Preliminary Laboratory Questions

1) For the RC circuit, explain what happens for charging and discharging the capacitors when $\tau \rightarrow 0$ and when $\tau \rightarrow \infty$.

2) If unknown capacitor is connected in series with a resistor $R=2 \text{ K}\Omega$, and the voltage across the resistor was measured as given in the figure below:



Time,ms

Then find

a. The time constant of the circuit.

b. The value of the capacitor.

c. The peak-voltage of the input square signal.

3) Calculate the time constant τ for RL circuit if R = 1k Ω and L = 10mH.

4) Calculate the natural frequency of an LC circuit with L = 10mH and $C = 0.1\mu F$

5) What will happen when the frequency of the driving voltage in LC circuit equals its natural frequency? Explain in detail.