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Aim: 1) To study response of RC series circuit.
2) To determine time constant of the circuit.

Components: Resistor, Capacitor, wires, Voltage source, ground.

Software/Tools Used :

- LT Spice
- Virtual Labs

Theoretical Calculation :

$$\begin{cases} V=0 & \text{at } t < 0 \\ V = V_0(1 - e^{-t/RC}) & \end{cases}$$

For charging the capacitor
Applying KVL

$V_i - i(t)R - V_c = 0$

$V_i - CR \frac{di(t)}{dt} - V_c(t) = 0$

Now it is a diff. eq. $P_y + Q_x = 0$

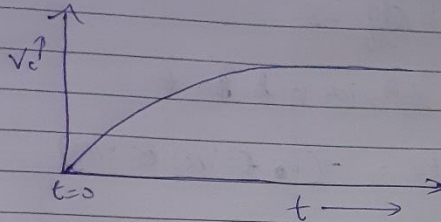
after integration. $V_c(t) = V_i(1 - e^{-t/RC})$ [where $RC = \tau$]
 $V_c(t) = V_i[1 - e^{-t/\tau}]$

At $t = RC \Rightarrow V = V_0(1 - e^{-1})$
 $V = 0.632V_0$

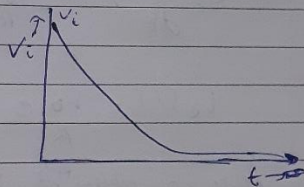
$Q = CV$
diff both sides w.r.t t
 $\frac{dQ}{dt} = C \frac{dV}{dt}$
 $i(t) = C \frac{dV_c}{dt}$

Time constant is the time taken by V across capacitor to reach 0.632 time V_0 [where V_0 is voltage at steady state]

At $t = 5RC \Rightarrow V = 0.993V_0$
 here capacitor is fully charged



discharging,
 $V = 0.368V_0$



Case 1) When $R = 0.5k\Omega$, $C = 1\mu F$
 $\tau = 500 \times 1 \times 10^{-6} = 500\mu s$

$$V_C = 5(1 - e^{-5t})$$

$$V_C = 3.16009010V$$

Case 2) $R = 1000\Omega$, $C = 0.1\mu F$
 $\tau = 1000 \times 0.1 \times 10^{-6} = 100\mu s$
 $V_C = 3.16V$

Case 3) $R = 10k\Omega$, $C = 10\mu F$
 $\tau = 10,000 \times 10 \times 10^{-6} = 100\mu s$
 $V = 3.16V$

By test calculation

1) $\tau = RC$

2) $V = V_0(1 - e^{-t/RC})$

~~$Q = CV$; $\frac{dQ}{dt} = I$~~

differentiate both side w.r.t. to t

$$\frac{dV_c(t)}{dt} = + (V_0 e^{-t/RC}) e^{-t/RC}$$

$$\frac{C dV_c(t)}{dt} = \frac{V_0 e^{-t/RC}}{R}$$

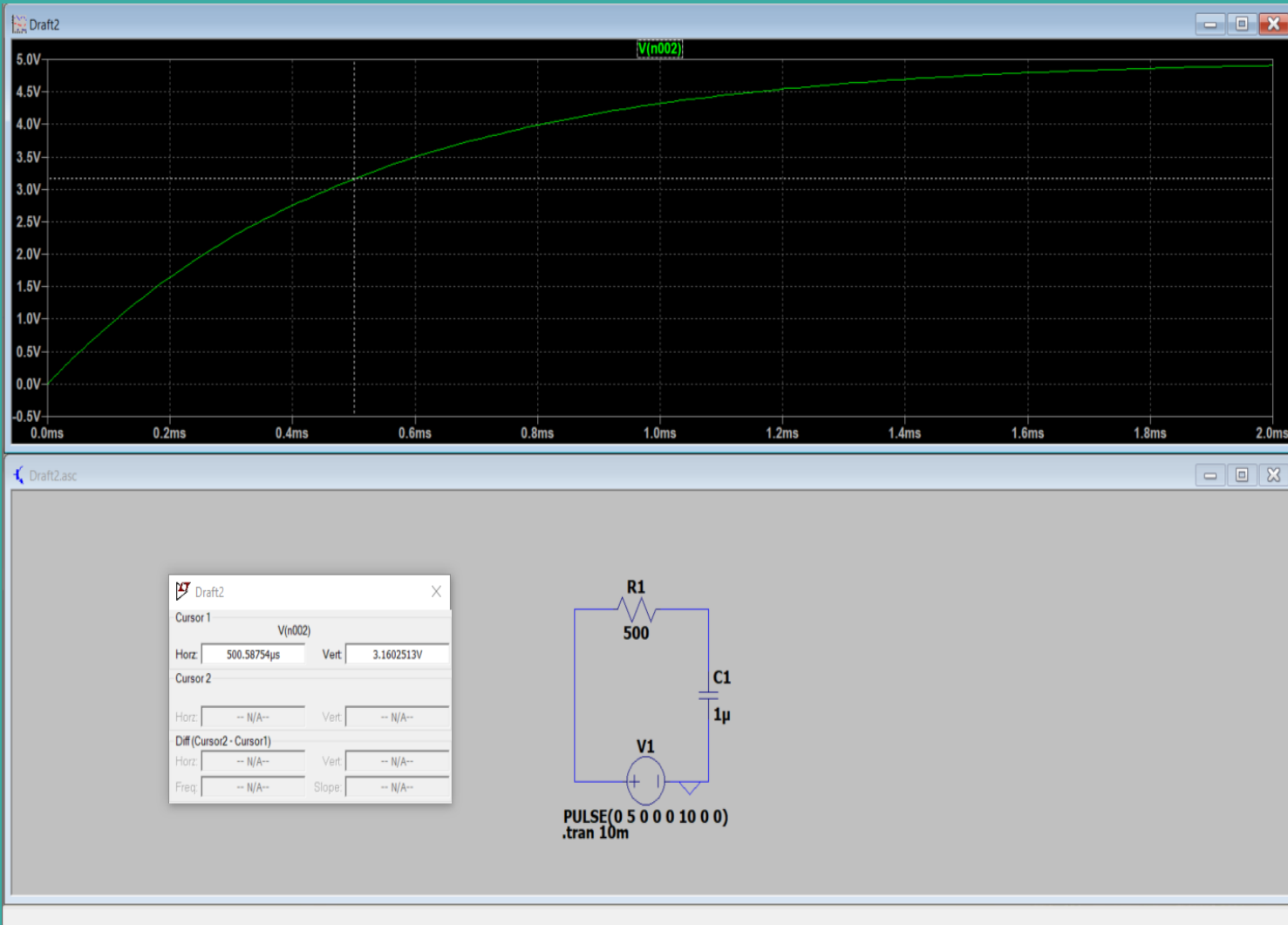
$$I_c(t) = \frac{V_0 e^{-t/RC}}{R}$$

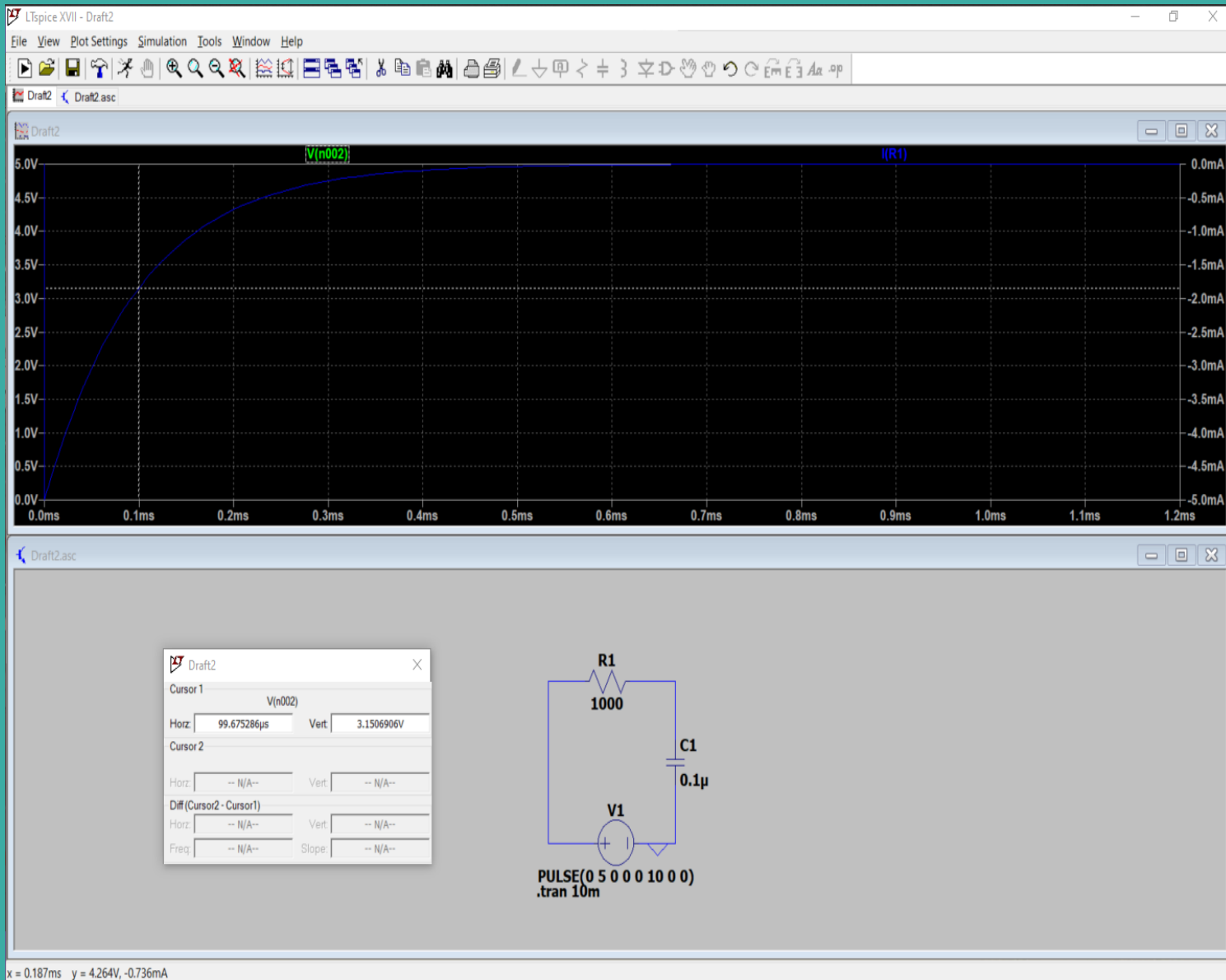
hence so option d is correct

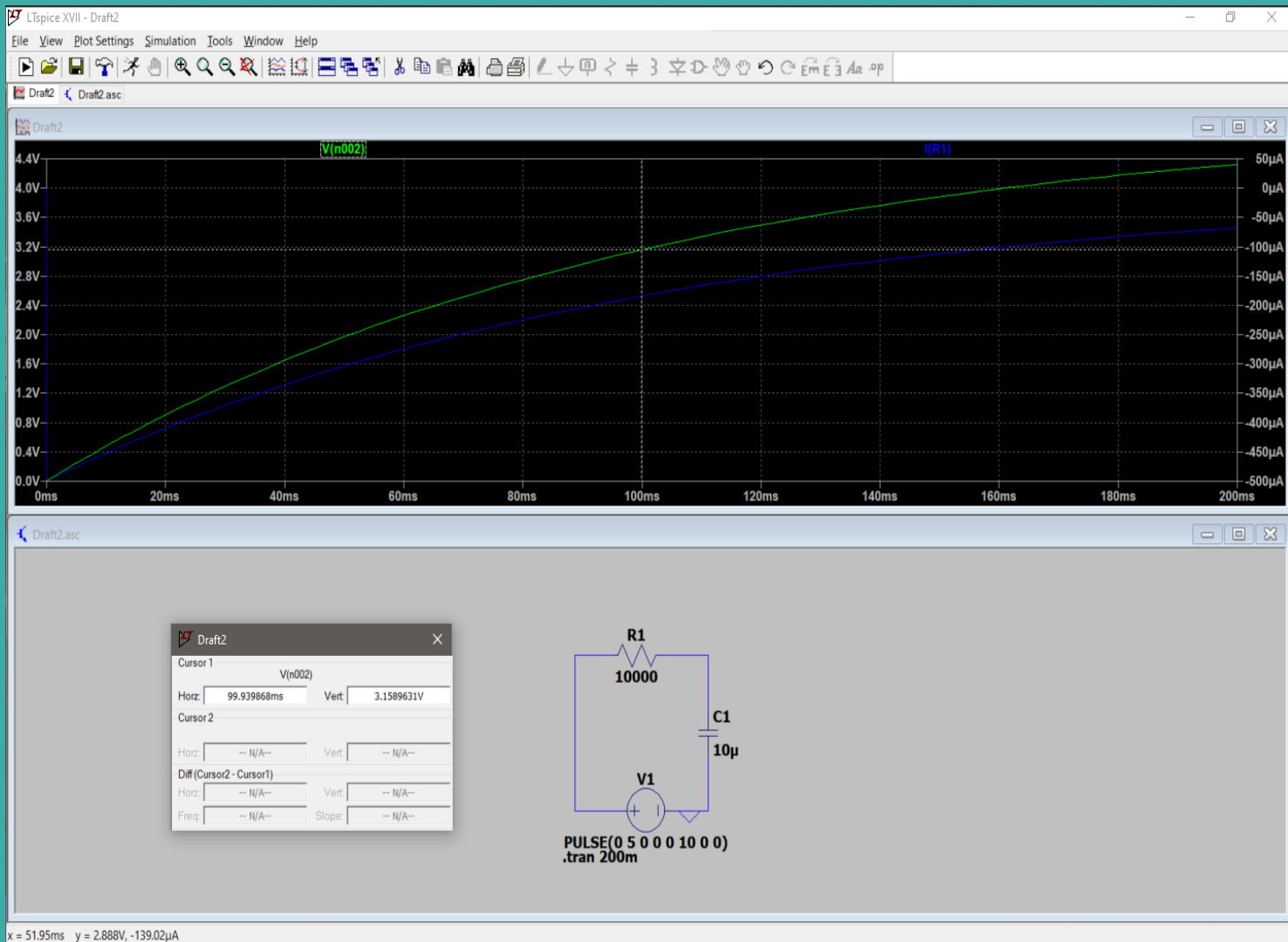
3) At $t = RC \Rightarrow V = V_0(1 - e^{-1})$
 $= 0.632 V_0$

[so its close to 0.632 times]

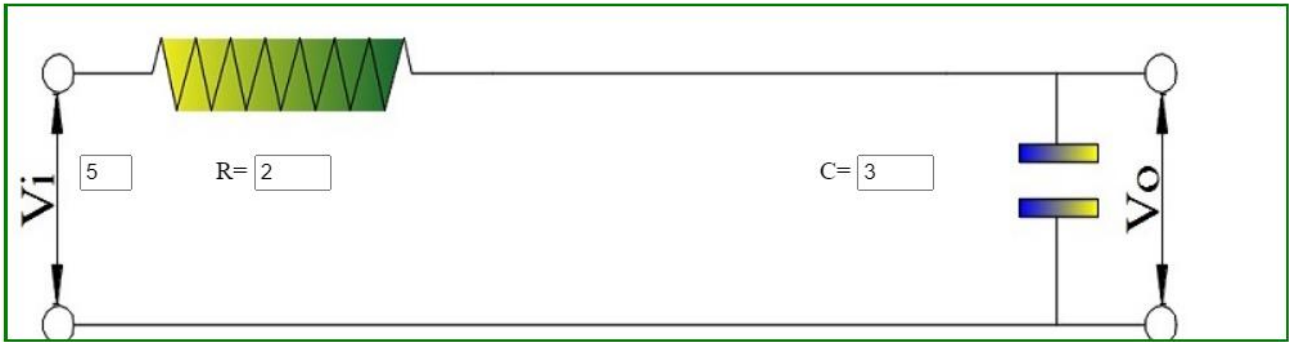
Circuit Diagram and Link:



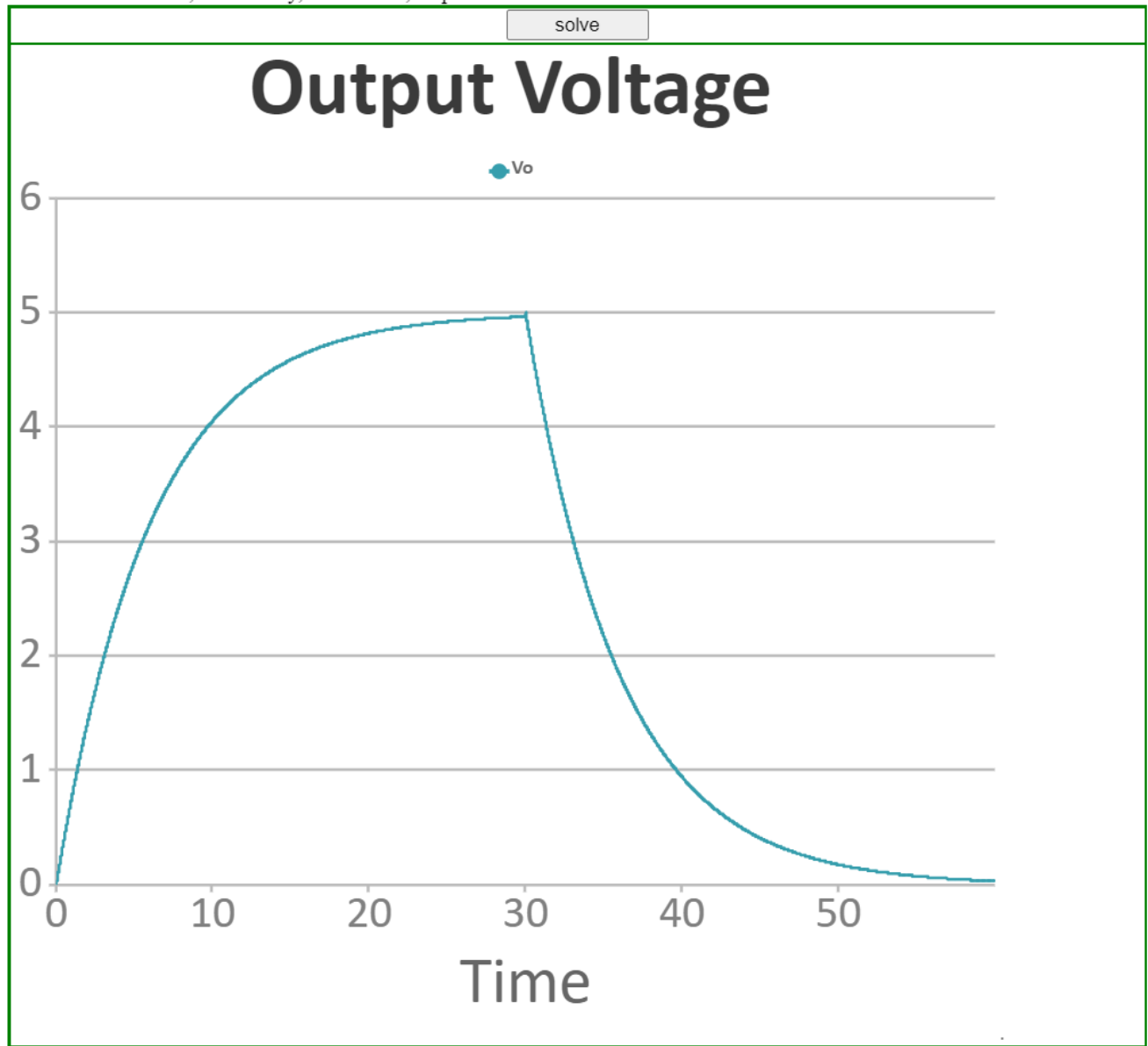


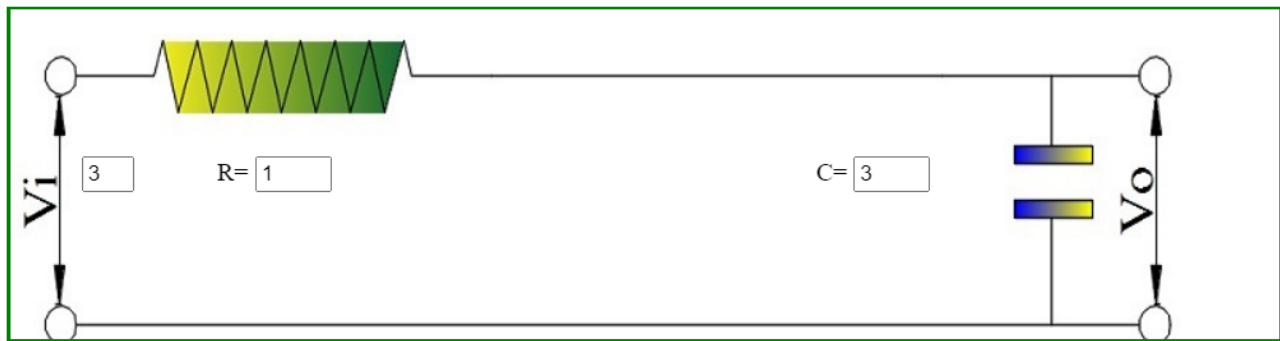


V LAB:

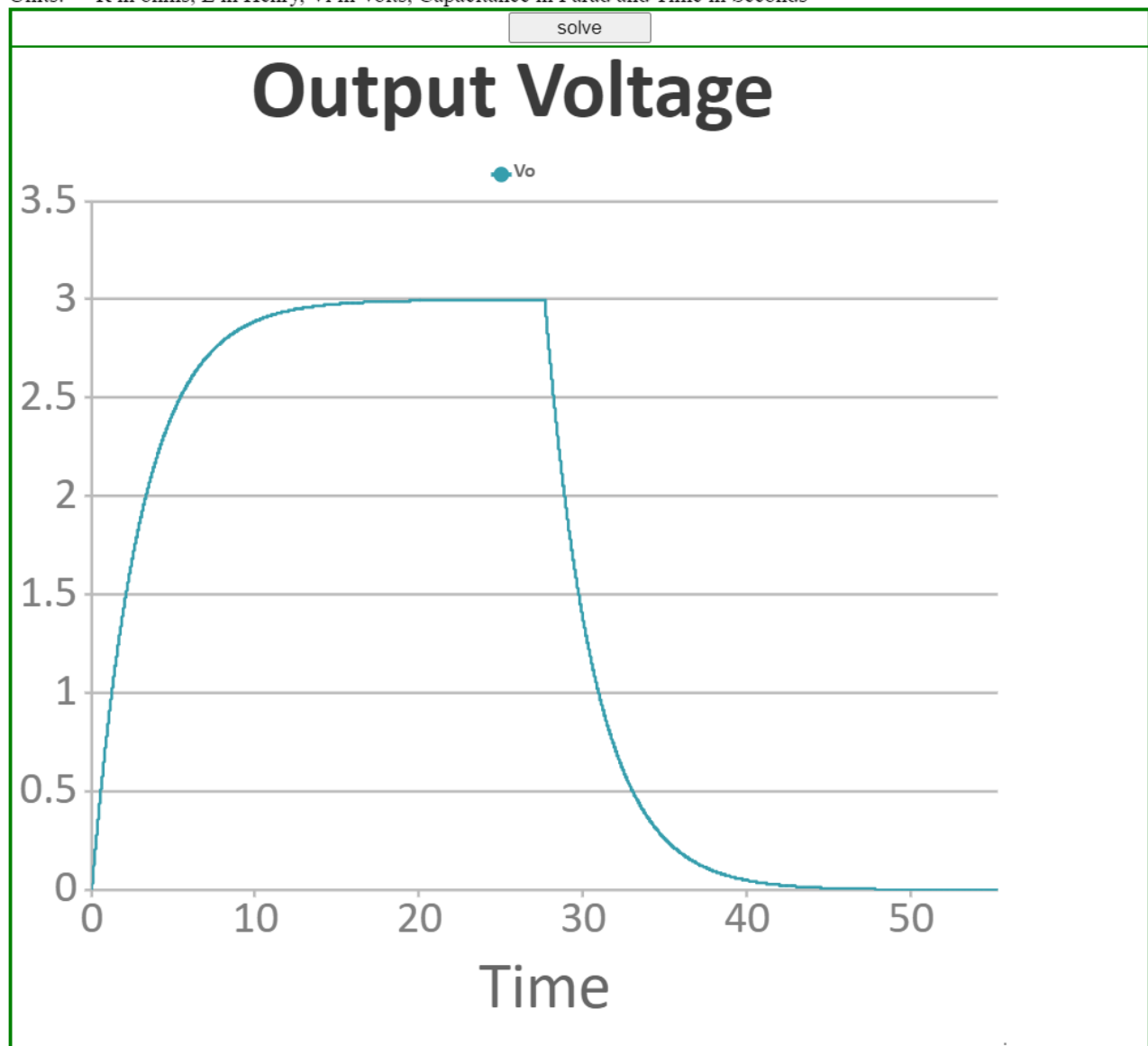


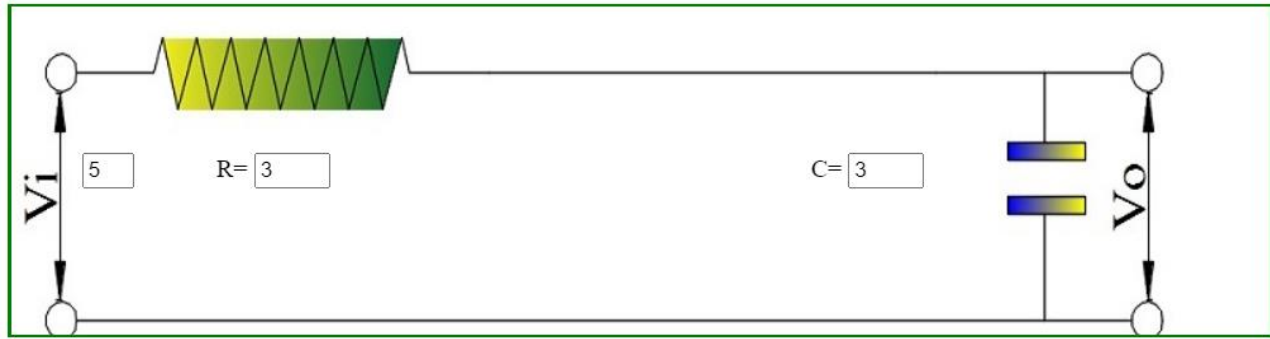
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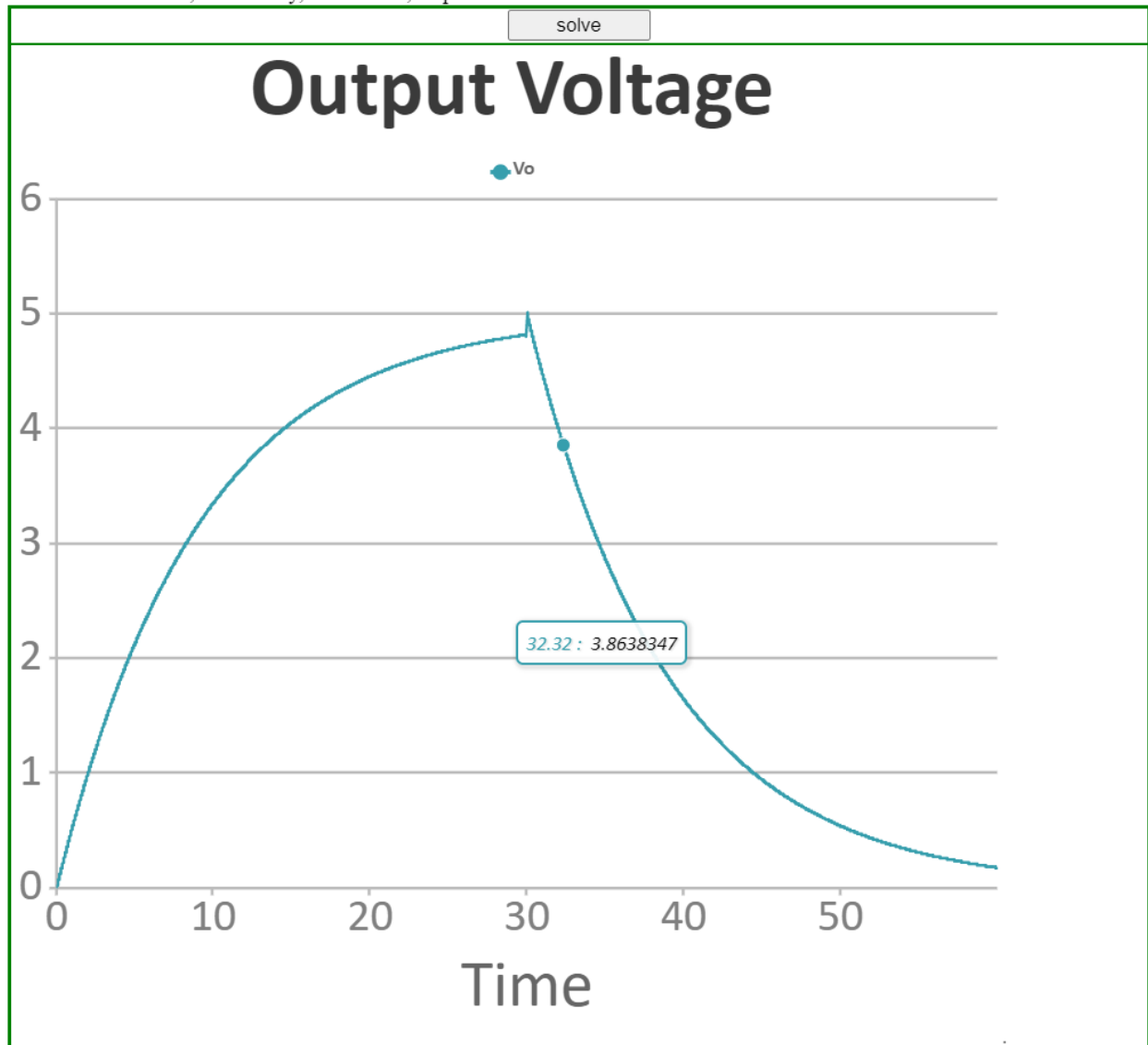


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V LAB OBSERVATION TABLE:

			Charging-	-----	Discharging	-----
V(v)	R(ohm)	C(F)	Voltage(V)	Time(s)	Time(s)	Voltage(v)
5	2	3	4.99	29.72	59.86	0.02
3	1	3	3	27.64	49.71	0.01
5	3	3	5	30	59.99	0.01

Observations/Results:

When circuit is charging then voltage vs time graph first increase then finally reach to saturation. The current flowing through the capacitor shows exponential decay as it suddenly reaches to max value.

We observed the response of RC series circuit and determine time constant of the circuit.

Applications:

- Used in camera flash
- Rc circuit is used to filter signals.