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## TPN°4- Charging and Discharging of a Capacitor

### Manipulation 1: Charging a Capacitor

Assemble the circuit shown in Figure 1 with a resistor  $R=100K\Omega$  and a capacitor with capacitance  $C=68\mu F$ . Start timer simultaneously when placing the switch in position 1, powering the circuit with a continuous voltage source  $E=5V$ .

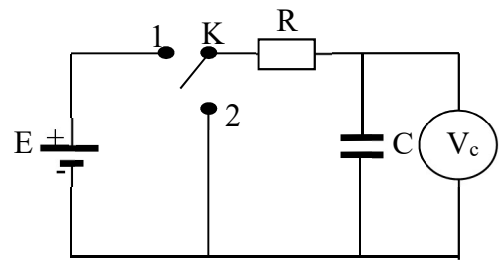
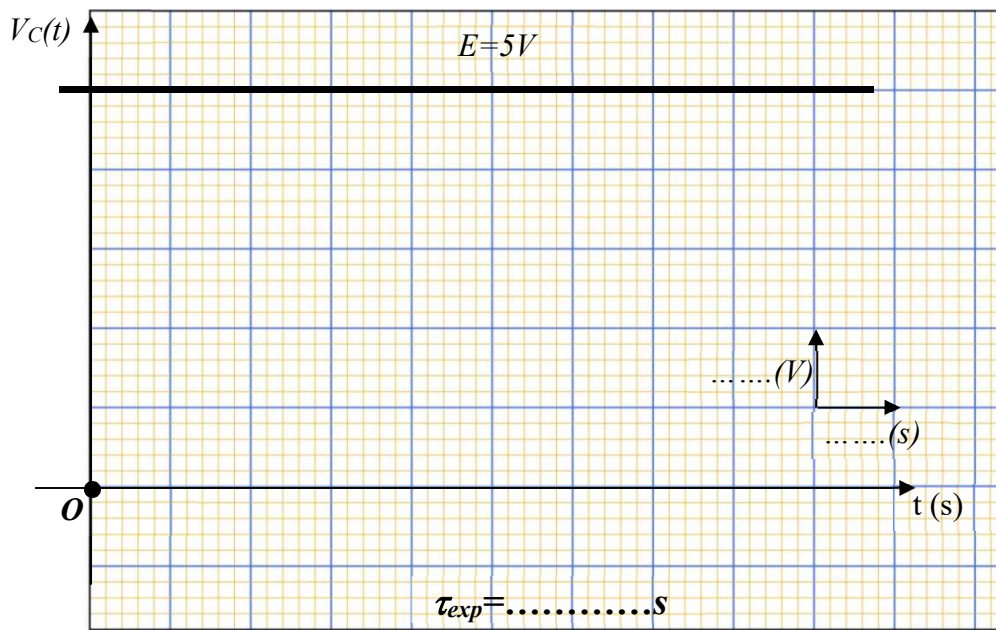


Figure.1

complete the following table:

$t (s)$	05	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60
$V_C(\text{volt})$												

- Plot the voltage  $V_C=f(t)$ .
- Draw the tangent at the load point  $O$  and graphically determine the time constant  $\tau_{exp}$  (the abscissa of the point of intersection of the tangent with the load limit voltage).



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- Compare this value with that calculated theoretically  $\tau_{thé}=RC$ .

$\tau_{exp} = \dots\dots\dots$ ,  $\tau_{thé} = \dots\dots\dots$

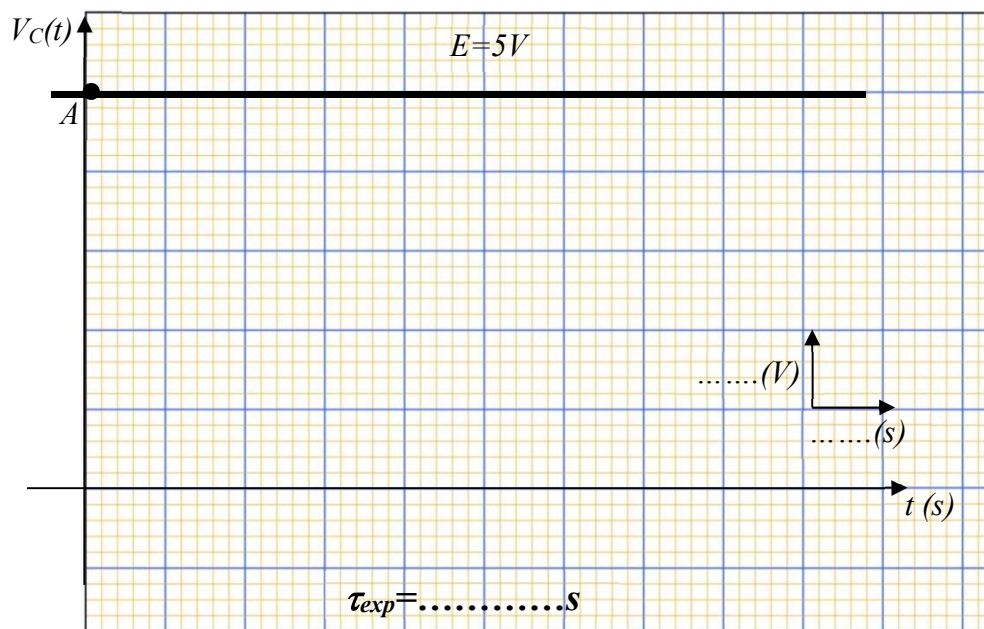
**Manipulation 2: Discharge of a capacitor**

Assemble the circuit shown in Figure 1 using a resistor  $R = 100K\Omega$  and a capacitor with a capacitance  $C = 68\mu F$ . Place the switch in position 2.

Complete the following table :

$t (s)$	0	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60
$V_C(volt)$													

- Plot the voltage  $V_C=f(t)$ .
- Tracer la tangente au point de décharge  $A$  et déterminer graphiquement la constante du temps  $\tau_{exp}$  (l'abscisse du point d'intersection de la tangente avec la tension limite de décharge).



- Compare this value with that calculated theoretically  $\tau_{thé}=RC$ .

$\tau_{exp} = \dots\dots\dots$ ,  $\tau_{thé} = \dots\dots\dots$

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**Manipulation 3: Association of capacitors in parallel**

Set up the circuit as shown in Figure. 2 for a resistor  $R=100K\Omega$  and two capacitors connected in parallel with capacitances  $C_1=68\mu F$  and  $C_2=47\mu F$ . Start the timer simultaneously with the application of a continuous voltage source  $E=5V$  to the circuit. Both capacitors will charge over time.

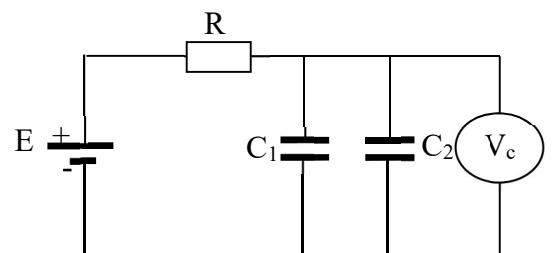
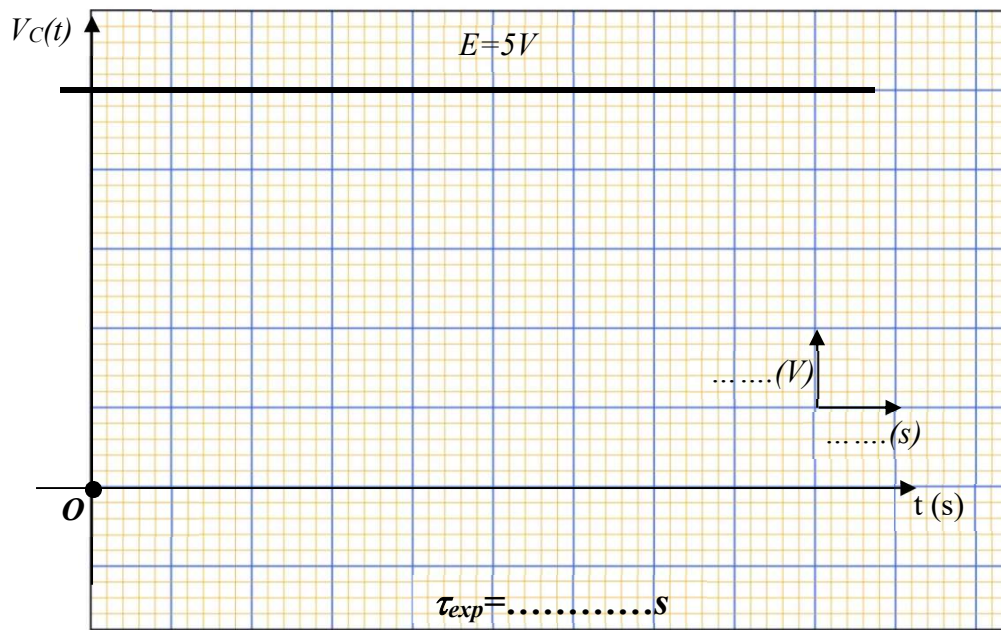


Figure.2

complete the following table:

$t (s)$	05	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	90	100	110	<b>120</b>
$V_C(\text{volt})$												

- Plot the voltage  $V_C=f(t)$ .
- Draw the tangent at the charging point **O** and determine graphically the time constant  $\tau_{exp}$  (the abscissa of the intersection point of the tangent with the charging limit voltage).



- Based on the experimental value of the time constant  $\tau_{exp}$ , deduce the value of  $C_{eq}$ .

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- Compare this value with the theoretically calculated value  $C_{eq}=C_1+C_2$ .

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**Manipulation 4: Association of capacitors in series**

Assemble the circuit shown in Figure 3 using a resistor  $R=100K\Omega$  and two capacitors connected in series with capacities  $C_1=68\mu F$  and  $C_2=47\mu F$ . Start the timer simultaneously when powering the circuit with a constant voltage source  $E=5V$ . The two capacitors charge over time.

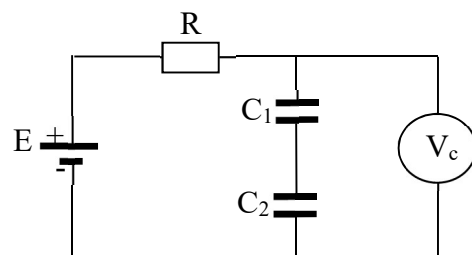
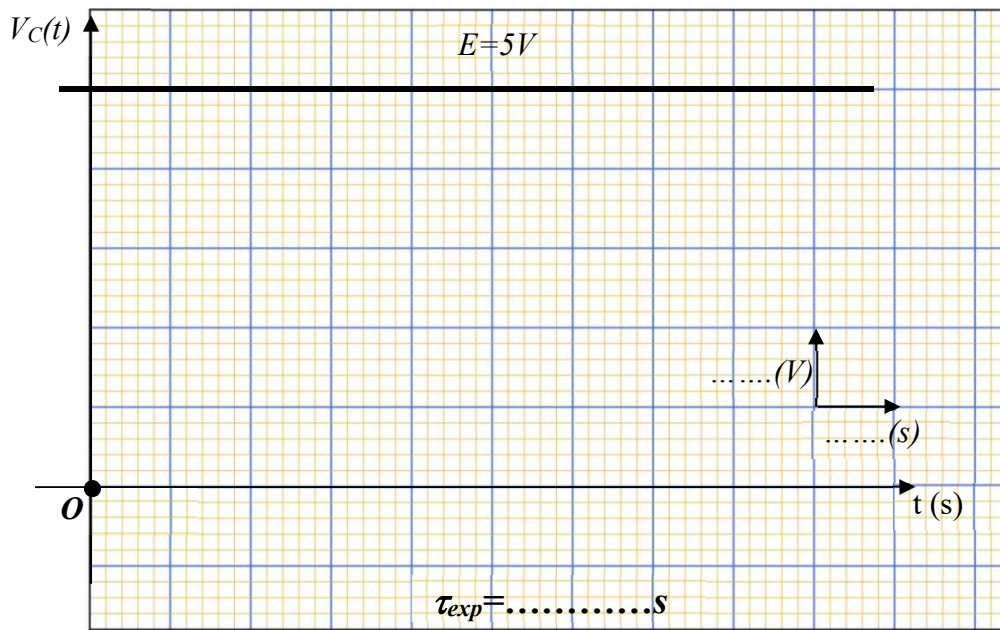


Figure.3

complete the following table:

$t (s)$	05	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60
$V_C(\text{volt})$												

- Plot the voltage  $V_C=f(t)$ .
- Draw the tangent at the charging point **O** and determine graphically the time constant  $\tau_{exp}$  (the abscissa of the point where the tangent intersects with the charging voltage limit).



- Based on the experimental value of the time constant  $\tau_{exp}$ , deduce the value of  $C_{eq}$ .

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- Compare this value with that calculated theoretically  $C_{eq} = \frac{C_1 C_2}{C_1 + C_2}$ .

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**Conclusion :**

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