

MODULE 3: Basic Circuits - Resistance

SUMMER CHALLENGE

Electrical Engineering: Smart Lighting

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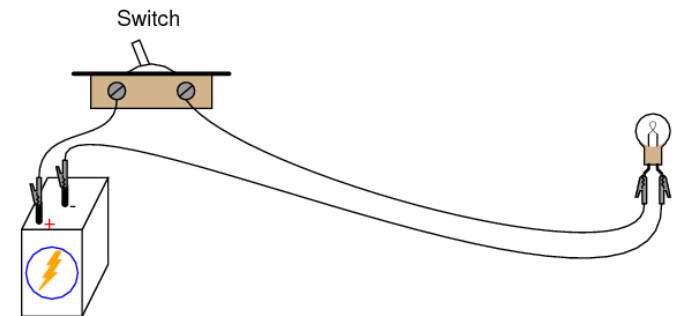
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Overview

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- Resistance and Resistors
- Ohms Law
- Breadboards
- Capacitance
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 - Voltage Divider
 - RC Circuit

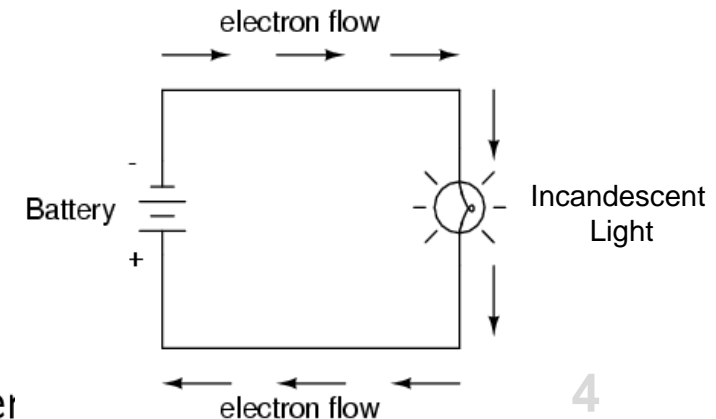
Recap - What is a Circuit?

- In a circuit, how are the start and end related?
 - They're the same!
- What happens if there isn't a continuous path?
 - Open Circuit – No flow of charge (or electrons)
- What happens when a conduit connects two points?
 - Charge (and electrons) can flow between the points
 - Short Circuit – Directly connecting two points of different voltage
- Switch
 - Device that can open or close a circuit

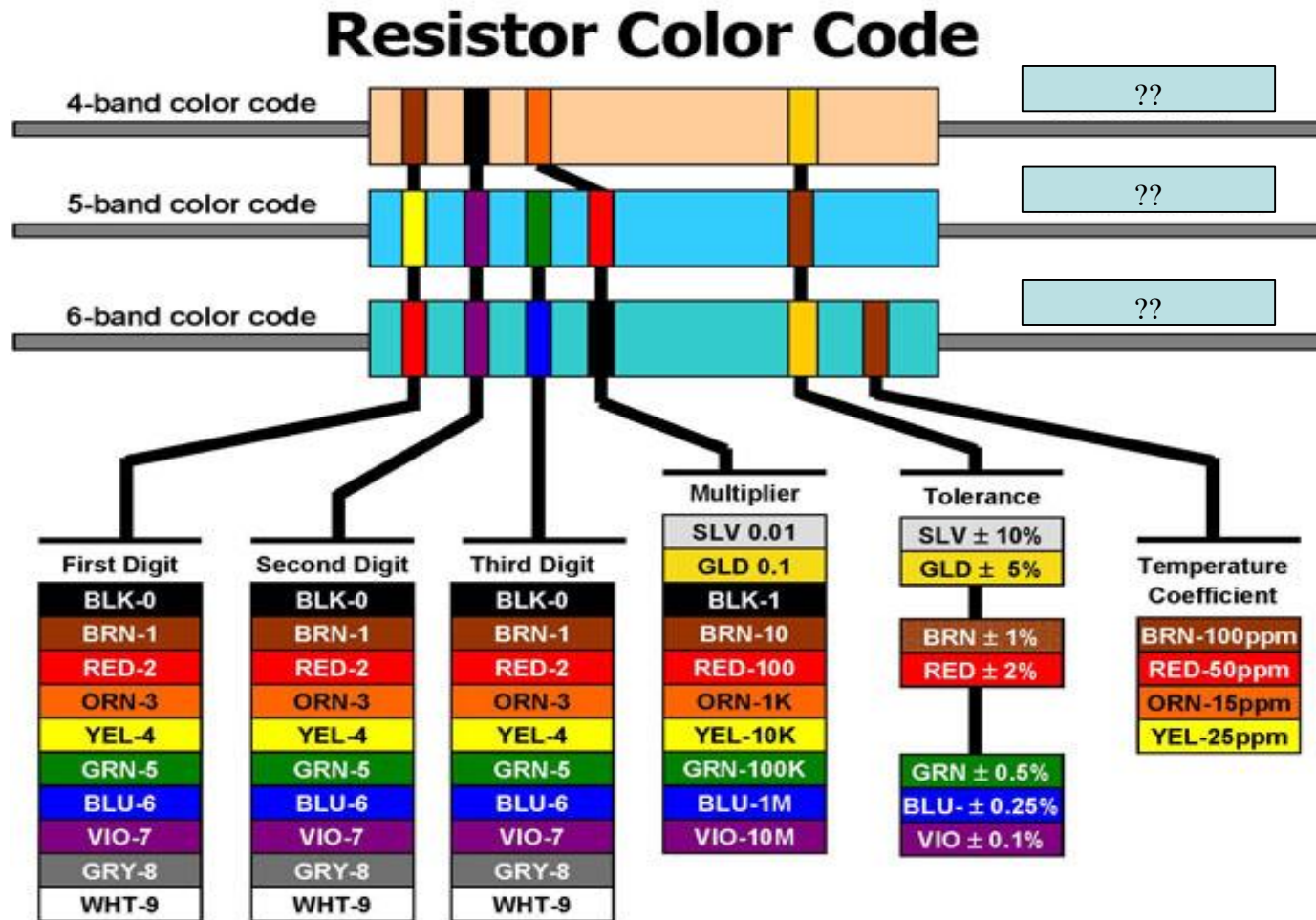


Resistance

- As charge flows from high to low V , energy is released
 - Where does it go??
- As electrons flow, they encounter *resistance*
 - Friction from electrons moving against the resistance generates heat
 - Resistance is a function of material, length, and cross-sectional area
 - Resistance is measured in Ohms [Ω]
- Wires have resistance, but it is minimal and a direct connection between different voltage levels is a *short*
- The filament in an incandescent light introduces resistance
 - The heat energy causes the filament to “glow” white-hot and produce light



Resistors



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Law

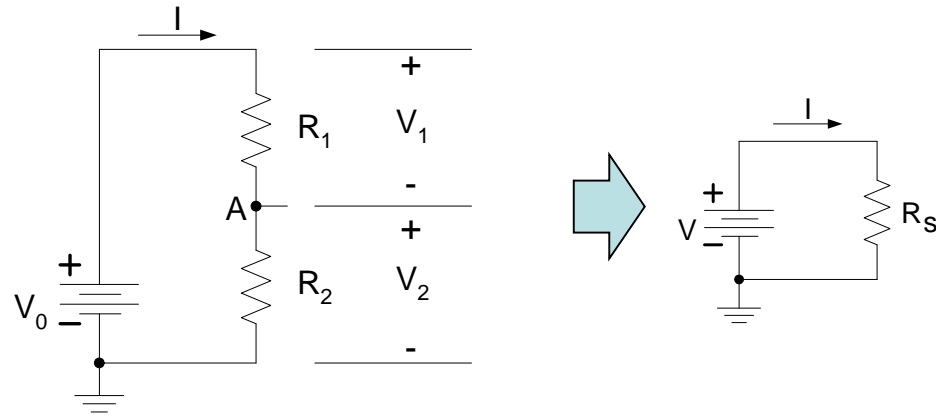


$$V = IR$$

- What happens in the case of an open circuit (i.e., $R \approx \infty$)?
- What happens in the case of a short circuit (i.e., $R \approx 0$)?

Series vs Parallel

Series Resistance



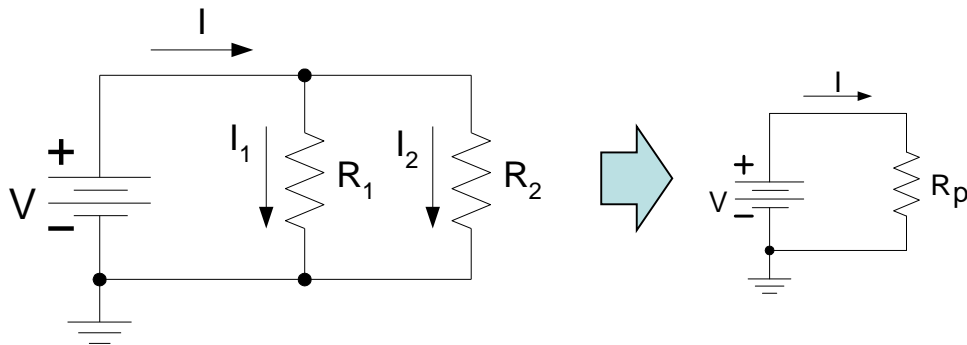
$$V_0 = V_1 + V_2 = IR_1 + IR_2$$

$$= I(R_1 + R_2)$$

$$= IR_s$$

$$R_s = R_1 + R_2$$

Parallel Resistance

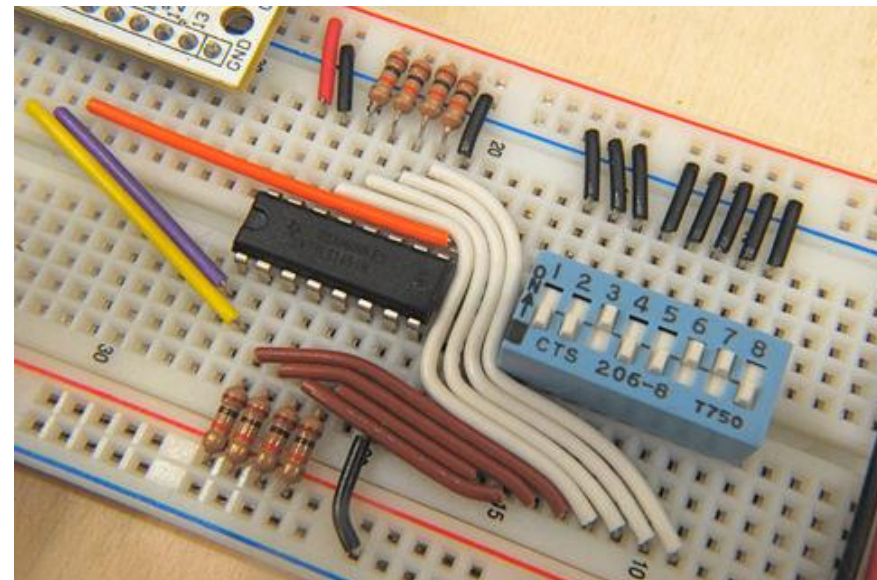
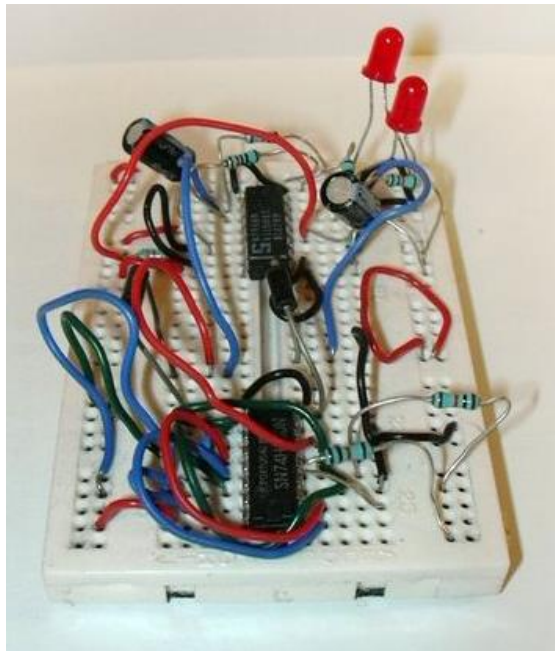
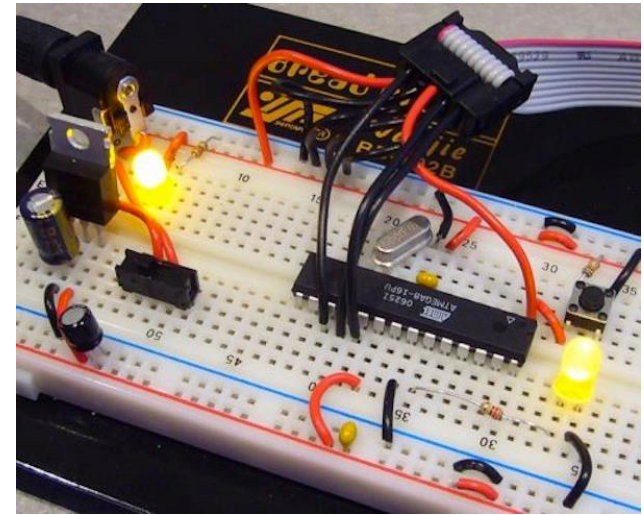


$$I = I_1 + I_2 = \frac{V}{R_1} + \frac{V}{R_2} = V \left(\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} \right) = \frac{V}{R_p}$$

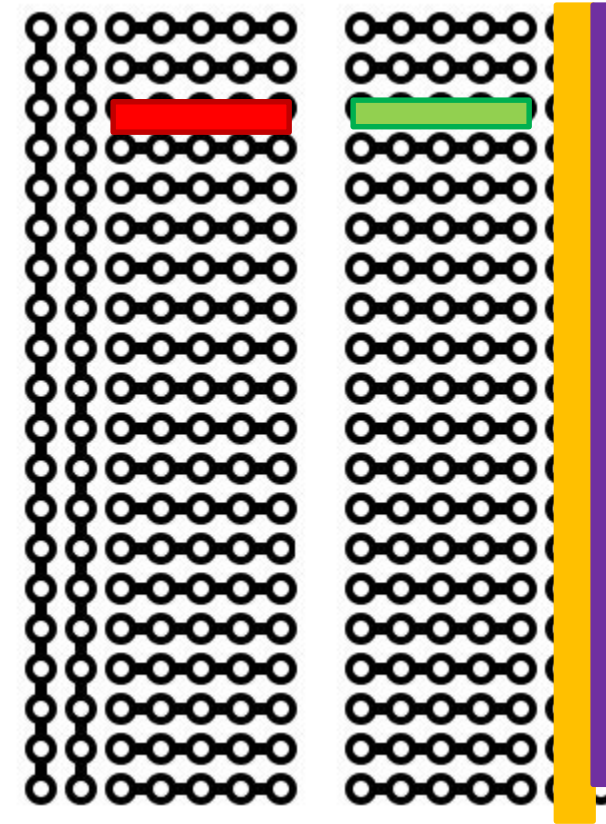
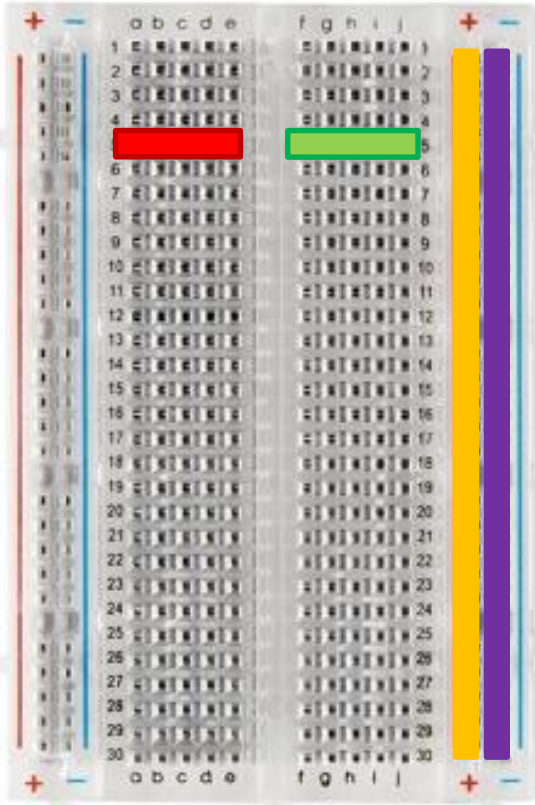
$$\frac{1}{R_p} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} \Rightarrow R_p = \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$$

Breadboards

- Why do we use breadboards?
 - Temporary Circuits
 - Prototyping
 - No Soldering

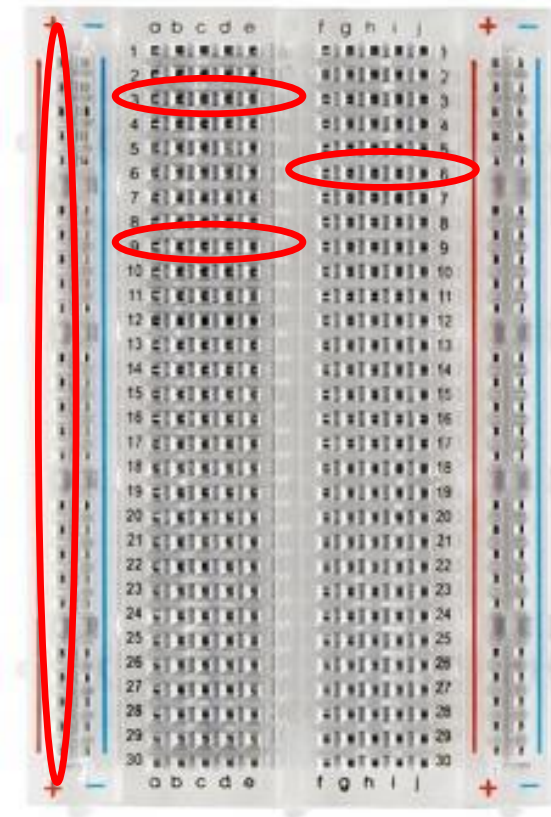
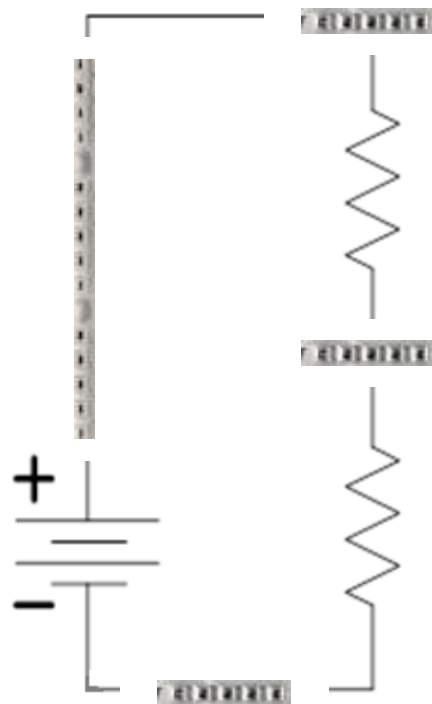


Anatomy of a Breadboard



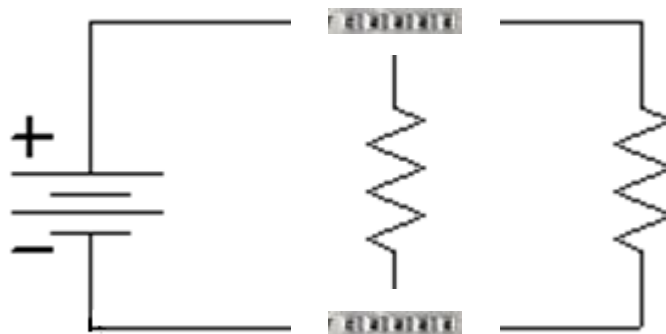
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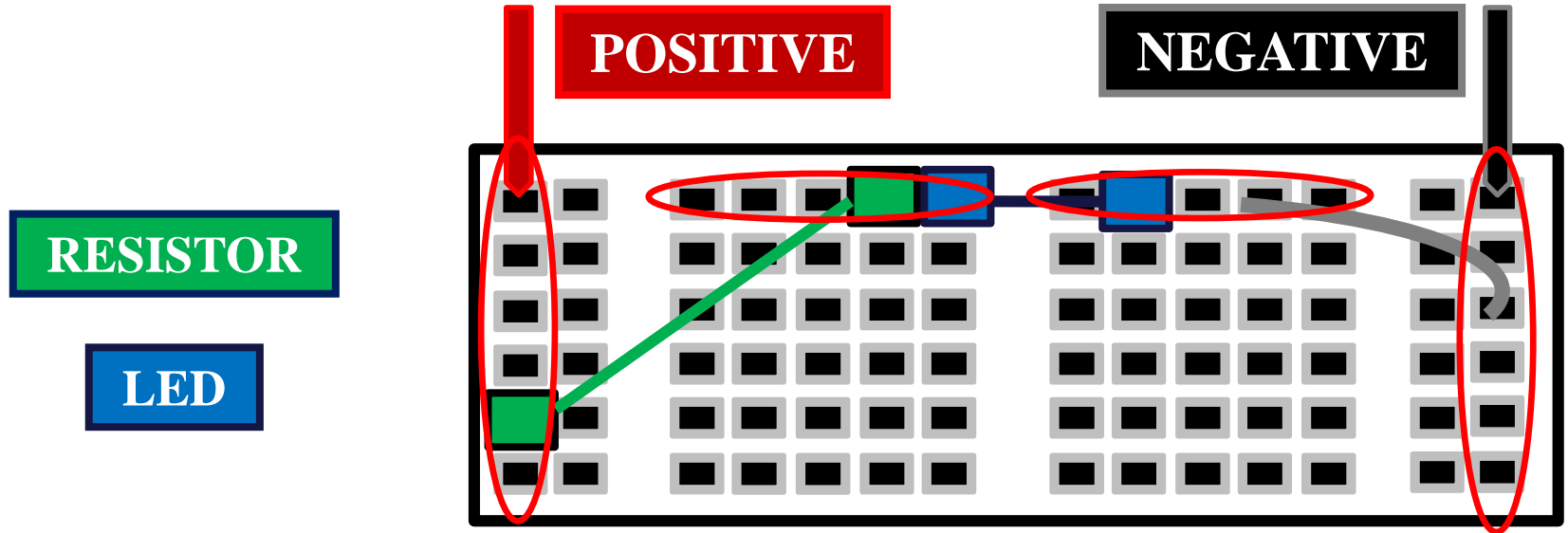
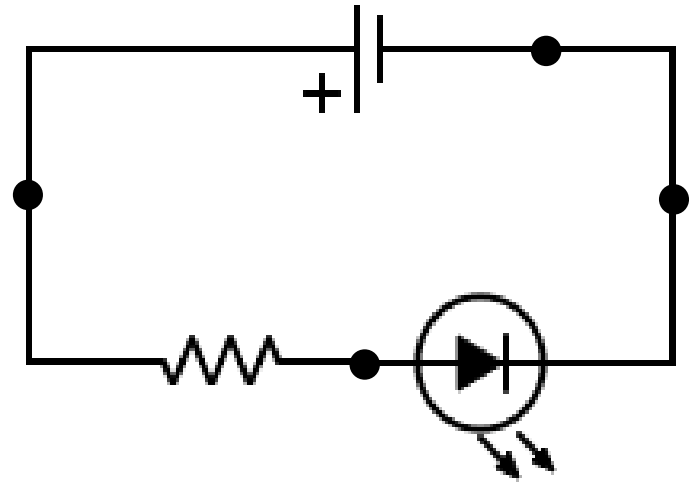
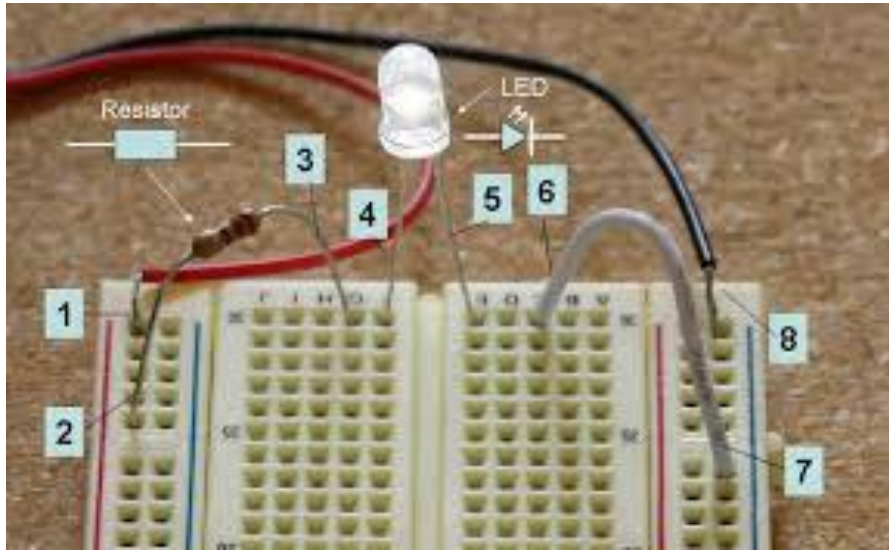
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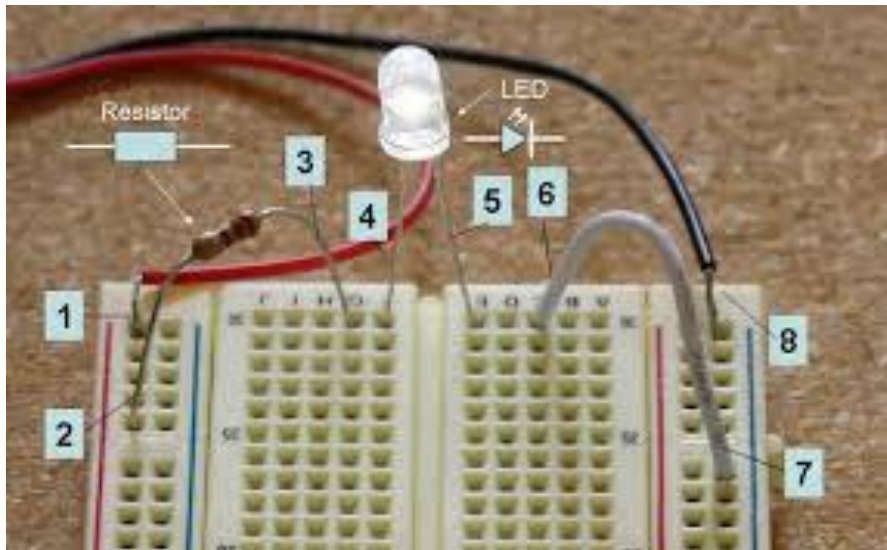


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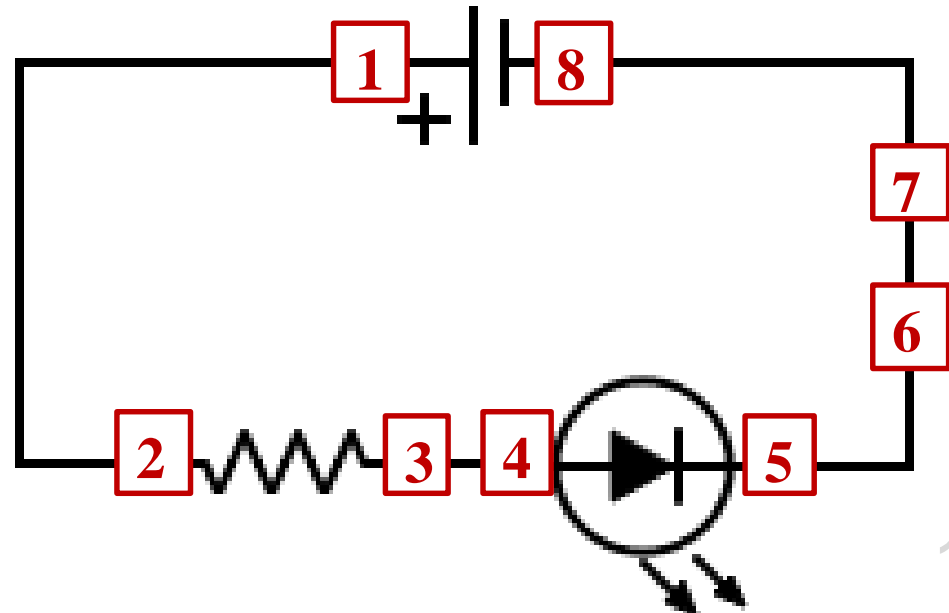




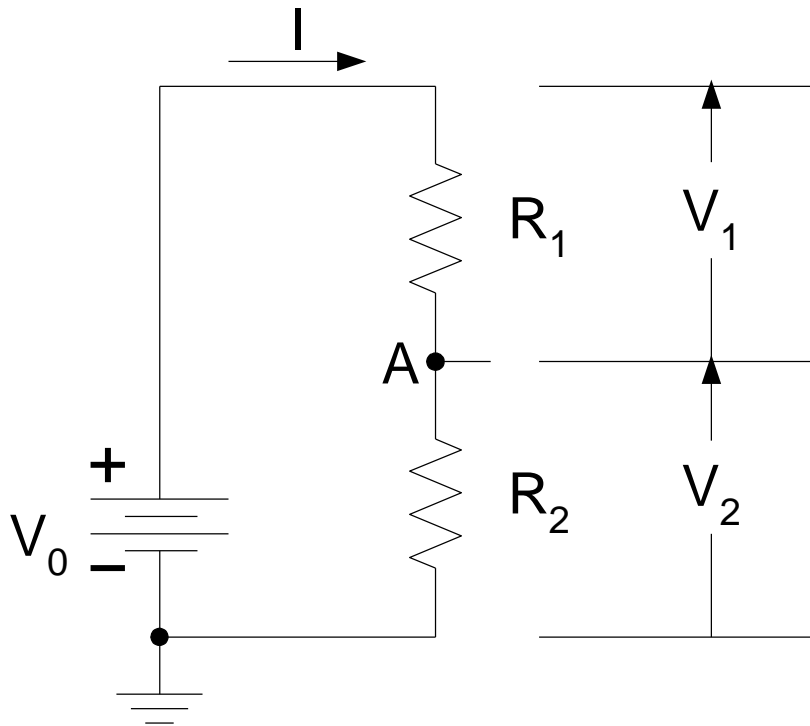


SHORT EXERCISE

1. Copy the schematic.
2. Label where each of the numbers are.



Voltage Divider Circuit



$$I = \frac{V_0}{R_s} = \frac{V_0}{R_1 + R_2}$$

$$V_2 = IR_2 = \frac{V_0}{(R_1 + R_2)} R_2$$

$$\text{Also } V_1 = \frac{R_1}{(R_1 + R_2)} V_0$$

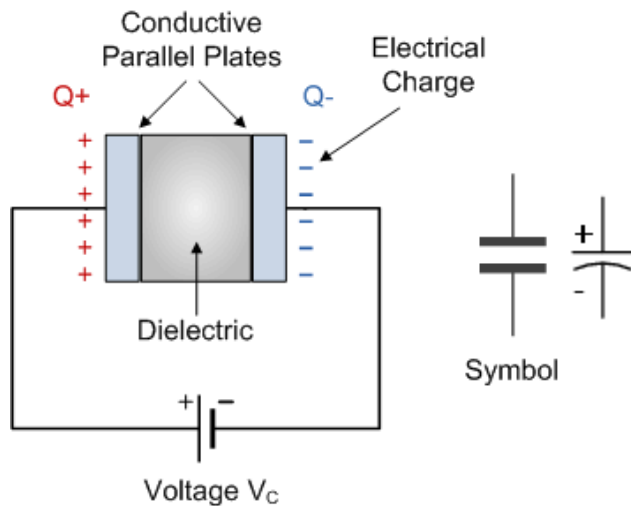
$$V_2 = \frac{R_2}{(R_1 + R_2)} V_0$$

Experiment I

- Voltage Divider
- Resistive Circuits

Capacitance

- A **capacitor** has capacity to store energy in the form of electrical charge producing a voltage across plates
- Storage of energy leads to time dependency
 - This was NOT the case in purely resistive circuits.
- Capacitance is measured in Farads [F]



$$i = C \frac{dv}{dt}$$

i = Instantaneous Current
 $\frac{dv}{dt}$ = Instantaneous rate of
 voltage change

Capacitors are *sometimes* polarized

$$C = \frac{\epsilon A}{d}$$

ϵ = Permittivity of dielectric
 A = Area of plate overlap
 d = distance between plates

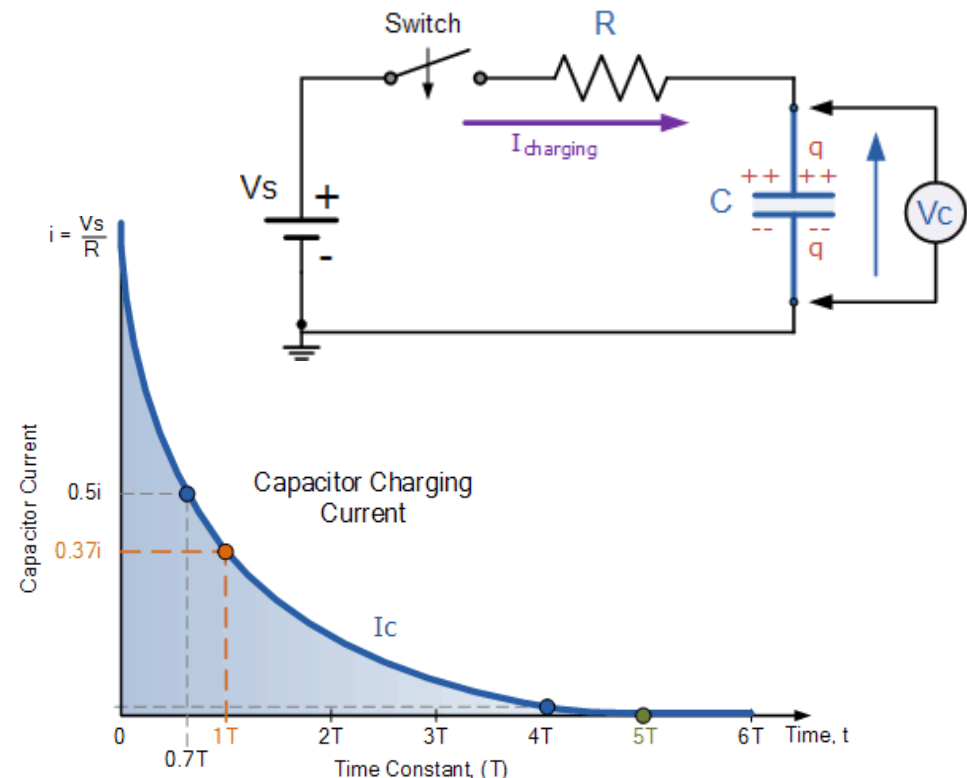
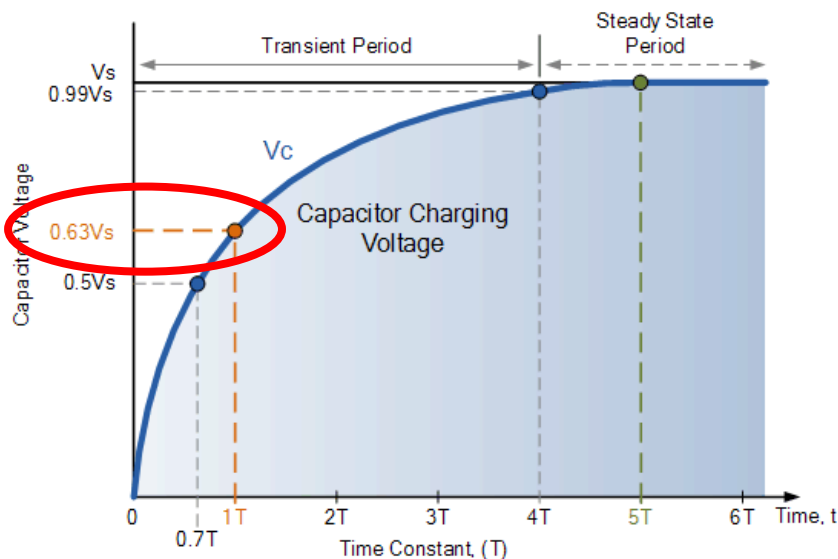
NOTE: Directly connecting a capacitor to a voltage supply isn't practical

RC Circuits

- RC circuits consist of a resistor and capacitor in series
- How do capacitors react to a sudden change in voltage?

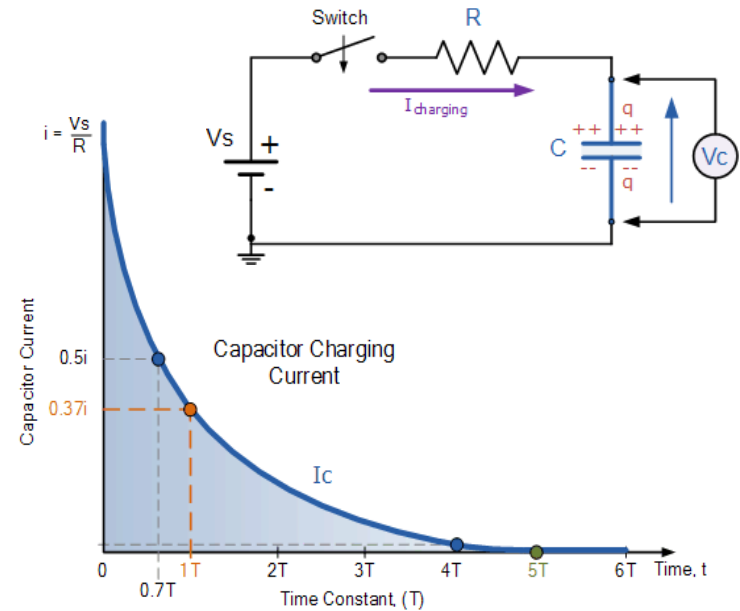
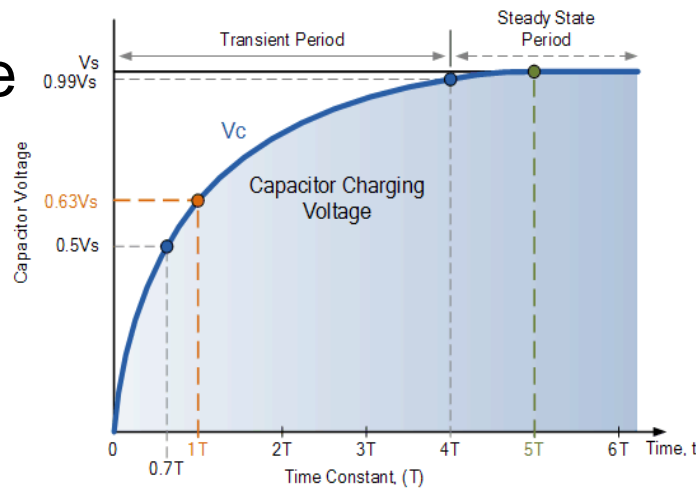
$$\tau \equiv RC$$

$$V_C = V_S(1 - e^{-t/\tau})$$

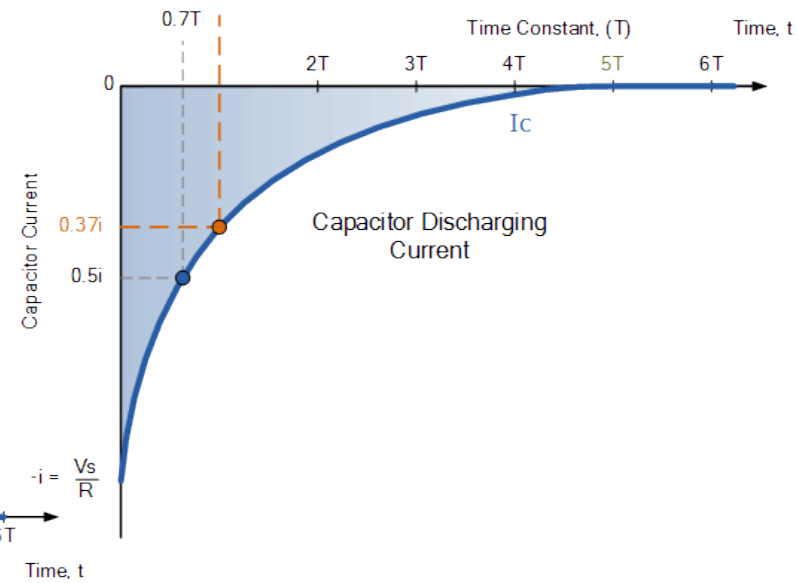
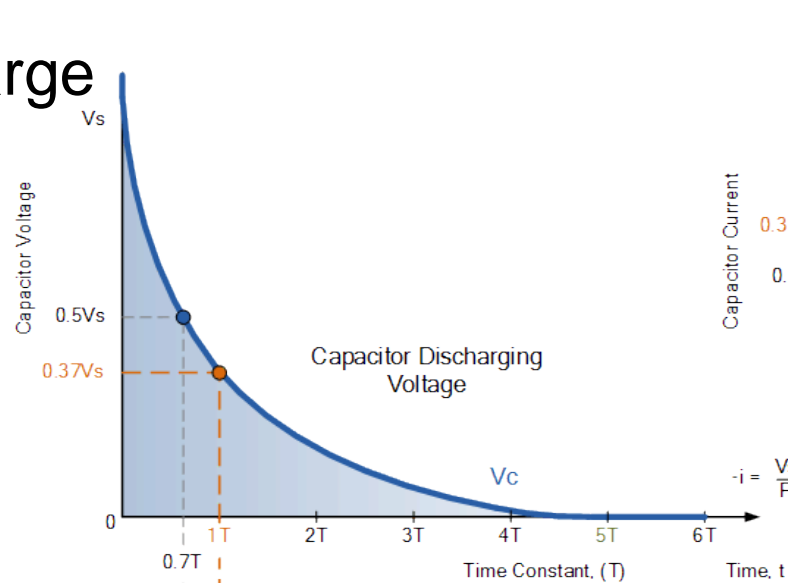


RC Circuits

Charge



Discharge



Experiment II

- Resistor – Capacitor (RC) Circuits

Recap

- What did you **LEARN** today?

