

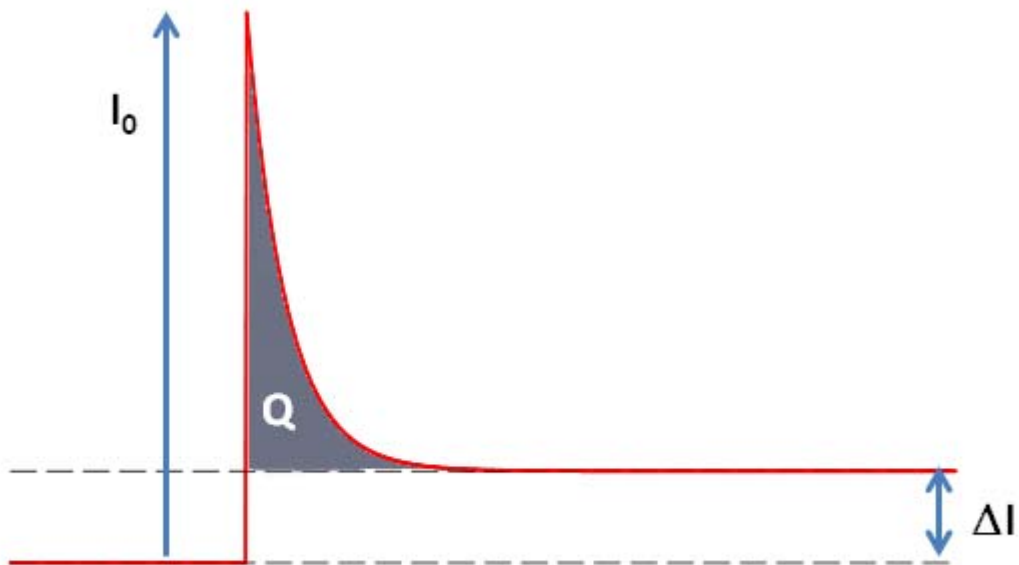
**Procedure to calculate  $R_s$ ,  $C_m$ , and  $R_m$  from the step response (using time constant and integral)**

Apply a voltage step  $\Delta V$ .

Measure the difference in steady state currents,  $\Delta I$ .

Integrate the charge  $Q$  under the transient current.

Fit single exponential to get  $\tau$  from transient



The following relations hold:

$$R_m + R_s = \frac{\Delta V}{\Delta I}$$

$$\tau = \frac{R_s R_m C_m}{R_s + R_m}$$

$$Q = \frac{\tau \Delta V R_m}{R_s (R_s + R_m)}$$

thus

$$R_s = \frac{\Delta V}{\Delta I + Q/\tau}$$

$$R_m = \frac{QR_s}{\Delta I \tau}$$

$$C_m = \frac{R_s + R_m}{R_s R_m} \tau$$

**Alternative procedure to calculate Rs, Cm, and Rm from the step response (using initial current and integral)**

Apply a voltage step  $\Delta V$ .

Measure the difference in steady state currents,  $\Delta I$ .

Integrate the charge  $Q$  under the transient current.

Fit single or double exponential and back-extrapolate to time "0" to get  $I_0$ .

The following relations hold:

$$R_m + R_s = \frac{\Delta V}{\Delta I}$$

$$R_s = \frac{\Delta V}{I_0}$$

$$Q = \frac{R_m^2}{(R_s + R_m)^2} \Delta V C_m$$

Thus

$$R_s = \frac{\Delta V}{I_0}$$

$$R_m = \frac{\Delta V}{\Delta I} - R_s$$

$$C_m = \frac{Q}{\Delta V} \frac{(R_s + R_m)^2}{R_m^2}$$