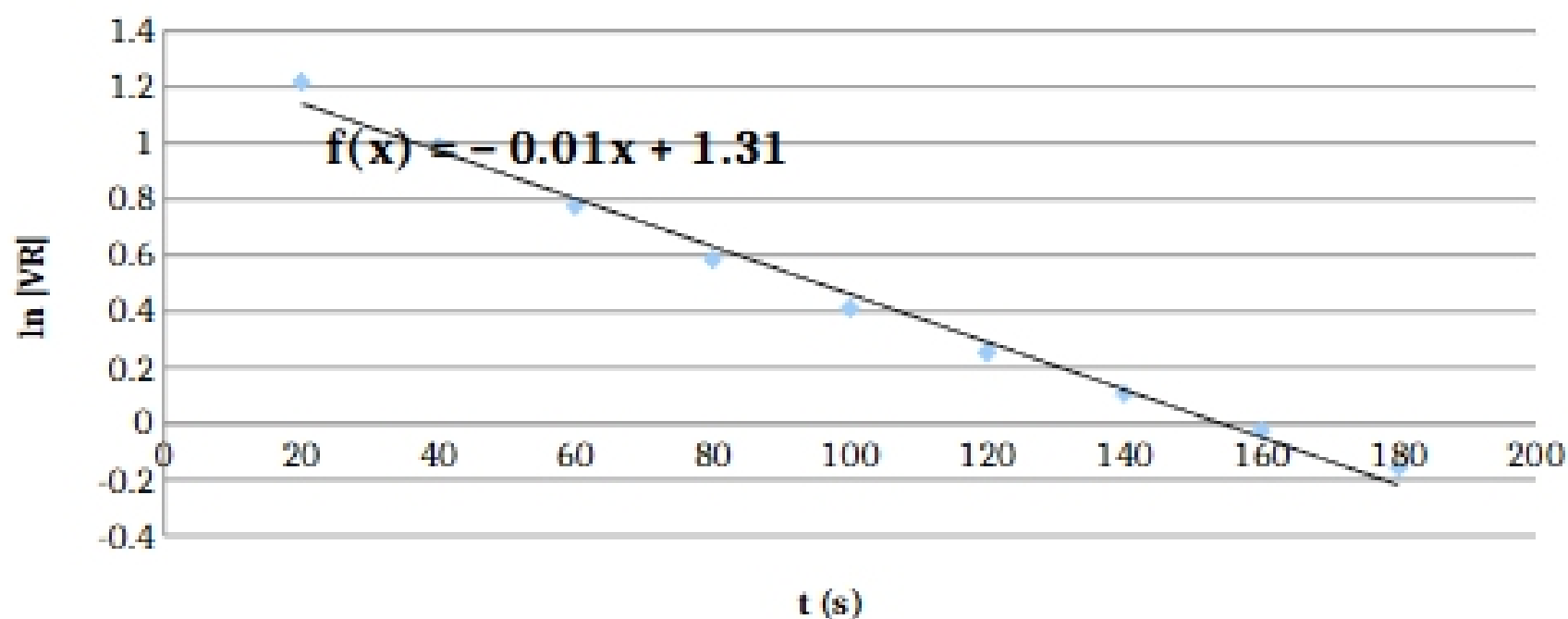


VI-1

t (s)	VR (volts)	ln VR
20	3.384	1.219058442
40	2.687	0.98842533
60	2.173	0.776108701
80	1.794	0.584447764
100	1.509	0.41144718
120	1.288	0.253090628
140	1.112	0.106160196
160	0.973	-0.027371197
180	0.854	-0.157824085

ln |VR| vs t

Using the LINEST function in EXCEL, the slope s and its uncertainty were determined as follows:

Slope s (s^{-1})	-0.008521812	1.313685926	Intercept b
σ_s	0.000322683	0.036316746	σ_b

The plot has a slope $s = -1/\tau$, where τ is in seconds.

Therefore, $\tau = \frac{-1}{-0.008521812} = 117.3459 \text{ s}$

$$\sigma_{\tau} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{s^2}\right)^2 (\sigma_s)^2}$$

-0.008521812

$\hat{\imath}$

$$\sigma_{\tau} = \frac{\sigma_s}{s} = 0.000322683/\hat{\imath}$$

$$\sigma_{\tau} = 4.44 \text{ s}$$

$$\tau \pm \sigma_{\tau} = 117 \pm 4 \text{ s}$$

VI-2

t (s)	VR (volts)	ln VR
20	3.059	1.118088065
40	2.421	0.884180678
60	1.978	0.682086233
80	1.629	0.48796633
100	1.312	0.271552691
120	1.082	0.07881118
140	0.89	-0.116533816
160	0.735	-0.30788478
180	0.609	-0.495937011

