

11 A “metre bridge” is a circuit which can be used to measure an unknown resistance accurately. The metre bridge includes a metre length of nichrome wire.

- (a) Calculate the resistance of a 1.00 m length of the nichrome wire.

(3)

resistivity of nichrome = $1.12 \times 10^{-6} \Omega\text{m}$

diameter of wire = $4.00 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}$

Resistance =

- (b) This metre length of wire, labelled AB, is connected to a 1.50 V cell of negligible internal resistance and a switch as shown.



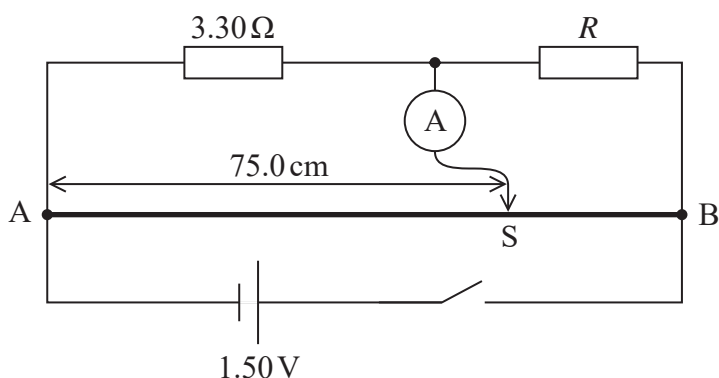
- (i) Explain how the potential along this wire varies with distance from A when the switch is closed.

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- (ii) Show that the potential difference between A and a point 75.0 cm along the wire from A is about 1.1 V.

(2)

- (c) The metre bridge circuit is shown. The circuit includes a resistor of resistance 3.30Ω , a very sensitive ammeter and a resistor of unknown resistance R .



A metal slider S can be moved along the nichrome wire and pressed firmly against it to make an electrical connection.

When the switch is closed and S is 75.0 cm along the nichrome wire, the ammeter reads 0 A because the potential difference across the ammeter is zero.

Calculate R .

(2)

$R =$

(Total for Question 11 = 9 marks)