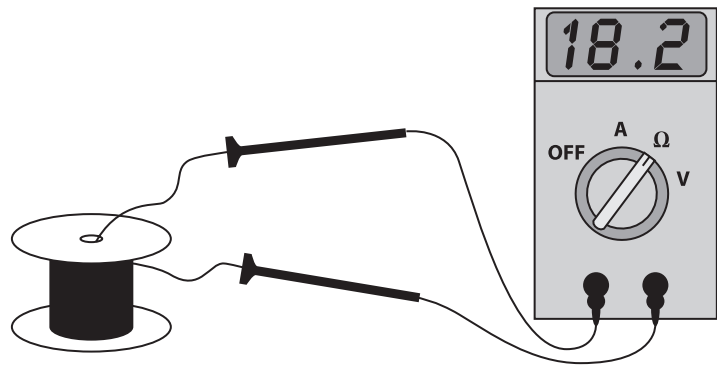


A student carried out an experiment to determine the resistivity of nichrome wire. He used an ohmmeter to measure the resistance of a length of nichrome wire as shown.



The diameter of the wire was measured as  $0.27\text{ mm} \pm 0.01\text{ mm}$ .  
The length of the wire was measured as  $1.25\text{ m} \pm 0.05\text{ m}$ .

- (a) Determine which of the three measurements introduces the greatest uncertainty into the value for the resistivity.  
Your answer should include calculations.

(4)

- (b) Explain how the student could reduce the uncertainty in the measurement of the diameter.

(2)

- (c) Calculate the minimum value of resistivity possible from the student's data.

(4)

Minimum resistivity = .....