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1. Students must have to do at least Seven (07) of the above experiments
2. Make a rough loose sheet for each experiment
3. Students are advised to write (a) Name, (b) Theory with figure, (c) Required Apparatus and (d) Data Table of the assigned experiment in the rough loose sheet before coming into the lab. Otherwise they will not be allowed to enter into the lab
4. Keep preparation for Table Viva everyday. This may be your final lab viva
5. Make a fair note book for your final examination and complete it regularly. In fair note book write down the followings:
(a) Name of the experiment with date, (b) Theory with figure, (c) Required Apparatus, (d) Procedure, (e) Data Table, (f) Calculations, (g) Results (Percentage of error, if necessary) and (h) Precautions and Discussion
6. Always keep some graph papers (8.5 inch x 11.5 inch) with you
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MEASUREMENT OF THE RESISTANCE OF A WIRE BY MEANS OF POST OFFICE BOX.*

Theory

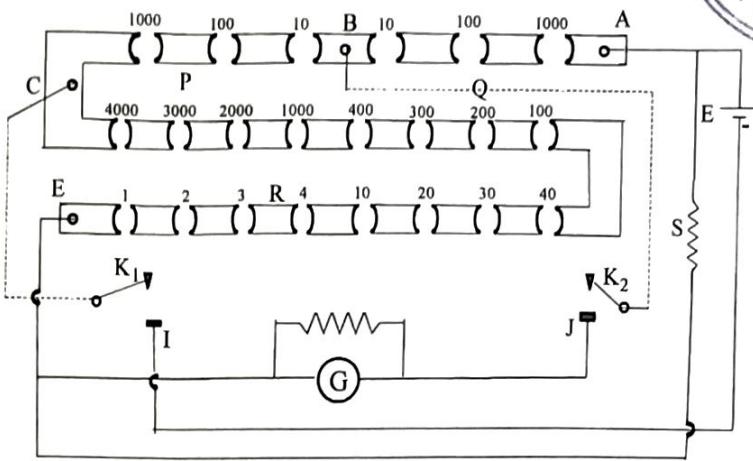
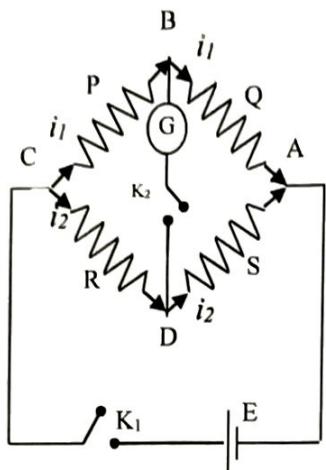


Fig. 1. Diagram of a Wheatstone's bridge circuit. Fig. 2. Diagram of a post office box with battery and galvanometer.

The post office box is form of Wheatstone's bridge used for making rapid measurements of resistances with no high degree of accuracy. A Wheatstone's network consists of four resistances P , Q , R and S arranged in series as shown in Fig. 1. The circuit BD includes a galvanometer and the circuit CA contains a cell. The resistances are so adjusted that there is no deflection of the galvanometer in making and breaking the circuit BD . The current i on coming at C divides out into two portions, one i_1 flowing the branch CB and the other i_2 flowing along the branch CD . As there is no current along BD , the currents in the branches BA and DA must also be i_1 and i_2 respectively.

Let V_C and V_A be the potentials at C and A . As no current flows along BD , the points B and D are at the same potential, let it be V . Applying Ohm's law at the various branches, we have

$$\frac{V_C - V}{P} = i_1 = \frac{V - V_A}{Q}$$

and

$$\frac{V_C - V}{R} = i_2 = \frac{V - V_A}{S}$$

Hence we can write

$$\frac{V_C - V}{V - V_A} = \frac{P}{Q} = \frac{R}{S}$$

or

$$\frac{P}{Q} = \frac{R}{S}$$

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If now the battery and the galvanometer interchange their positions, the condition for no current through the galvanometer reduces to

$$\frac{P}{R} = \frac{Q}{S}$$

or

$$\frac{P}{Q} = \frac{R}{S}$$

This shows that if $\frac{P}{Q}$ equals $\frac{R}{S}$ there will be no current through the galvanometer whether it is connected across B and D and battery across C and A or vice versa. As such the points B, D and C, A are called conjugate. It is evident from the relations $\frac{P}{Q} = \frac{R}{S}$ that the condition for balance is not affected by the resistances in series with the battery and the galvanometer. Changes in this resistance do not alter the condition for balance but affects the sensitivity of the arrangement.

Required Apparatus

Post office box, unknown resistance, zero-center galvanometer, cell, commutator, connecting wires, etc.

Procedure

Write yourself (past tense with passive voice).*

Experimental Data

Table 1: Data for measurement of unknown resistance.

Resistance (Ω)			Direction of deflection	Inference
Arm Q	Arm P	Third arm R		
10	10	0	Left/Right	The unknown resistance lies between ... ohms.
		Infinity	Right/Left	
10	100			The unknown resistance lies between ... ohms.
10	1000			The unknown resistance is ... ohms.

* Ref: Advanced Practical Physics by K Din, and Practical Physics by Giasuddin Ahmad

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Result

$$S = \dots \Omega$$

Precautions and Discussion

1. The battery circuit should be completed before the galvanometer circuit to avoid the effect of self-induction.
2. The battery key should be closed for that minimum time which is required to find a null point.
3. The battery circuit should be open for about two minutes before taking up the next determination of the null point.
4. Every plug of the PO box should be given a turn within its socket to remove the oxide film between the surface of contact. This film, if any, introduces extra resistances.
5. If the galvanometer gives the deflection in the same direction for all resistances, then the connections are taken to be wrong.
6. Due to looseness of the plugs, sometimes the value of the resistance determined with a higher ratio does not tally with that determined with lower ratio. All the plugs, other than those opened are kept tight.
7. Leclanche's cell should be used in experiments with PO box. If a storage cell is used with PO box, it should always be connected in series with a rheostat of at least 100 ohms resistance so as obtain a limiting current of 20 mill amperes. Otherwise, a strong current may flow through the resistance coils and damage them.
8. The position of the null point does not change when the positions of the galvanometer and the battery are interchanged. This means that the position of the null point is independent of the resistances of the galvanometer and the battery.
9. The sensitiveness of the bridge is affected by the resistance of the galvanometer and battery; the lower their resistances, the greater are the sensitiveness of the bridge. To increase the sensitiveness, the galvanometer or the battery whichever has the greater resistance should be placed between the junction of the two arms having greater resistance and the junction of two arms having smaller resistance.

****Viva*****

1. What is Wheatstone's bridge and how its work?
2. What is post office box?
3. What is potential and potential difference?
4. What is null point and its condition?
5. What is resistance and resistivity?
6. And all viva questions of galvanometer

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DETERMINATION OF THE REFRACTIVE INDEX OF THE MATERIAL OF A PRISM BY SPECTROMETER.*

Theory

Let a ray PQ be the incident on the first face AB of a prism and then after passing through the prism, finally emerges out through the other face AC in the direction RS. Let i_1 and r_1 be the respective angles of incidence and refraction at the first face of the prism and r_2 and i_2 be the corresponding quantities for the second face. Now the deviation of the ray is given by the angle $\angle SOT$,

$$\delta = (i_1 - r_1) + (i_2 - r_2) \dots \dots \dots (1)$$

But in the minimum deviation position, the ray passes symmetrically through the prism so that $i_1 = i_2$ and $r_1 = r_2$. Therefore the angle of the minimum deviation

$$\delta_m = 2(i_1 - r_1) \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

But

$$\angle LMR = r_1 + r_2 = 2r_1 = A \dots \dots \dots (3)$$

i.e.

$$r_1 = \frac{A}{2}$$

where A = angle of prism

From Equations (2) and (3), we get $i_1 = \frac{A+\delta_m}{2}$.

Hence the refractive index of the material of the prism (for a particular color) is given by

$$\mu = \frac{\sin \frac{A + \delta_m}{2}}{\sin \frac{A}{2}}$$

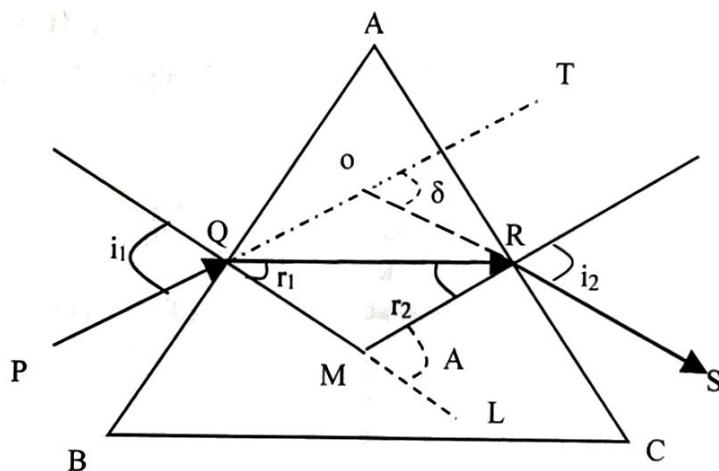


Fig. 1: Refraction mechanism through the prism.

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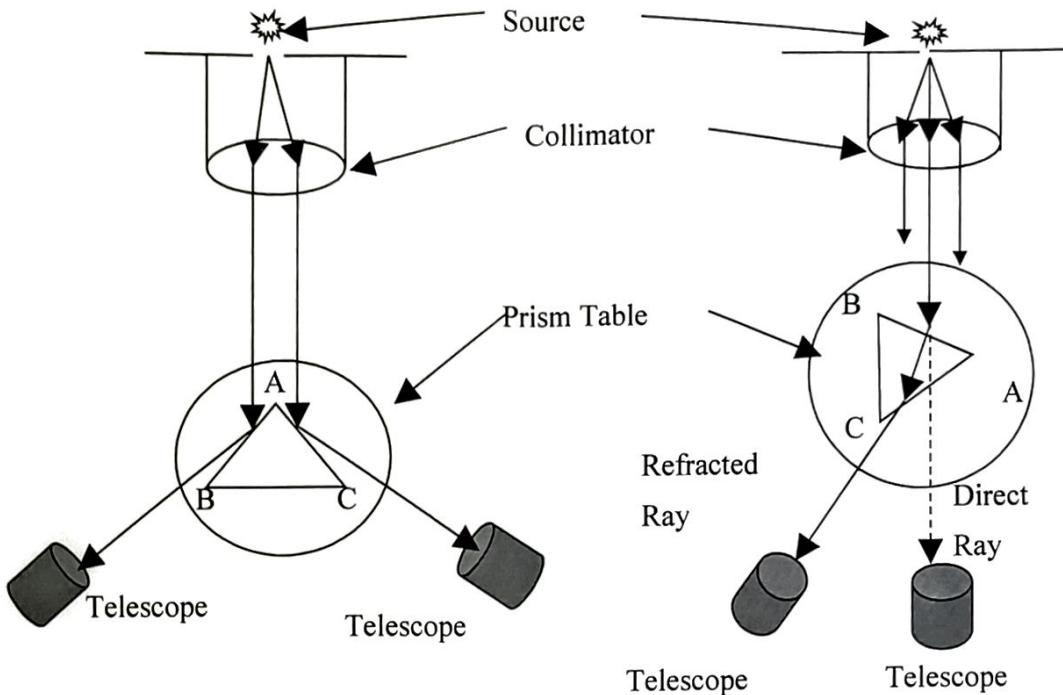


Fig.2: Measurement of the prism angle, A.

Fig.3: Measurement of the angle of minimum deviation, δ_m .

Required Apparatus

Spectrometer, prism, spirit level, Na light, etc.

Procedure

Write yourself (past tense with passive voice).

Experimental Data

Table 1: Data for the angle of prism A.

Vernier constant (VC) = ... deg.

No. of obs. Vernier no.	Readings of the reflected images								Mean A (deg)	
	Left side				Right side					
	MSR M (deg)	VSD D (div)	VSR $V =$ ($D \times VC$) (deg)	TR $P =$ ($M + V$) (deg)	MSR M (deg)	VSD D (div)	VSR $V =$ ($D \times VC$) (deg)	TR $Q =$ ($M + V$) (deg)		
1	1									
	2									
2	1									
	2									
...										

[NB: MSR = main scale reading, VSD = vernier scale division, VSR = vernier scale reading, TR = total reading.]

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Table 2: Data for the angle of minimum deviation δ_m .

No. of obs.	Vernier no.	Reading at minimum deviation position				Direct reading				$\delta_m = (P \sim Q) \text{ (deg)}$	Mean $\delta_m \text{ (deg)}$
		MSR <i>M</i> (deg)	VSD <i>D</i> (div)	VSR <i>V</i> = (<i>D</i> × VC) (deg)	TR <i>P</i> = (<i>M</i> + <i>V</i>) (deg)	MSR <i>M</i> (deg)	VSD <i>D</i> (div)	VSR <i>V</i> = (<i>D</i> × VC) (deg)	TR <i>Q</i> = (<i>M</i> + <i>V</i>) (deg)		
1	1									$\delta_m = (P \sim Q) \text{ (deg)}$	Mean $\delta_m \text{ (deg)}$
	2										
2	1									$\delta_m = (P \sim Q) \text{ (deg)}$	Mean $\delta_m \text{ (deg)}$
	2										
...											

Calculations

Results

$$\mu = \dots$$

$$\text{Percentage of error} =$$

Precautions and Discussion

1. The source should be kept in front of the collimator to make the image bright.
2. The cross-wire should be made coincident with the same edge of the slit image.
3. Parallax error should be avoided.
4. The telescope should be rotated in the same direction to avoid backlash error.
5. The width of the slit image should be made as narrow as possible.
6. Readings should be taken carefully to ascertain whether the zero of the main scale crossed from one position to the other.

DETERMINATION OF THE VALUE OF ACCELERATION DUE TO GRAVITY, G BY MEANS OF A COMPOUND PENDULUM.*

Theory

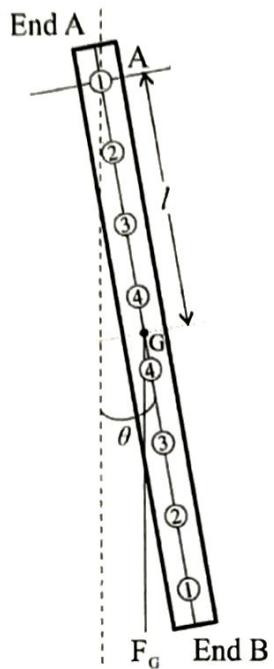


Fig. 1: Compound pendulum.

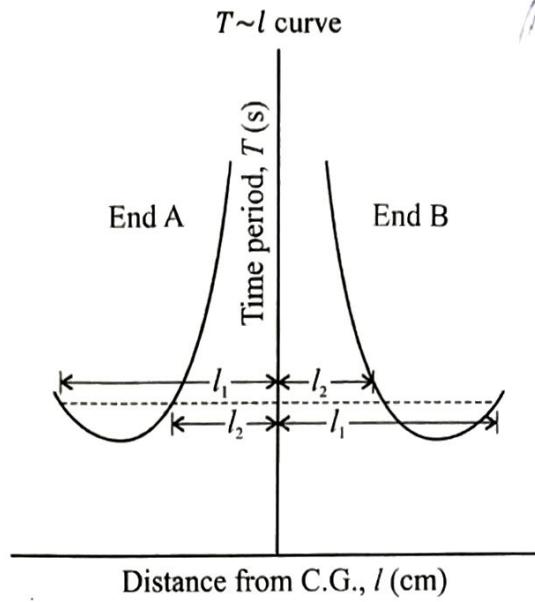


Fig. 2: $T \sim l$ curve.

Compound pendulum is a rigid body of any shape free to turn about a horizontal axis. The center of gravity at distance l from A is denoted by G. The pendulum experiences a restoring angular momentum. At an angle θ from the mean position, the restoring angular momentum is

$$M = mgl \sin \theta \dots \dots \dots (1)$$

Here, mg is force and $l \sin \theta$ is the distance from the axis of rotation.

From the Newton's law of motion for a rotary motion,

torque = moment of inertia \times angular acceleration

$$mgl \sin \theta = I_A \alpha \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

where I_A is the moment of inertia relative to axis of rotation and α is the angular acceleration.

In a compound pendulum, there are two axes. One is point of suspension and another is center of gravity of a pendulum. So from parallel axis theorem, we can write

$$I_A = I_G + ml^2 \dots \dots \dots (3)$$

I_G corresponds to the moment of inertia relative to the axis at the center of gravity G.

$$I_G = mk^2 \dots \dots \dots (4)$$

where k is called the radius of gyration.

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Equation (3) can be written as

$$I_A = mk^2 + ml^2$$

or

$$I_A = m(k^2 + l^2) \dots \dots \dots (5)$$

A simple solution of the differential Equation (1) exist only for small amplitude θ , where $\sin \theta \approx \theta$. Equation (1) is then equal to an equation of oscillation.

$$\alpha = \frac{mgl}{I_A} \theta \dots \dots \dots (6)$$

with the following solution

$$\theta(t) = \theta_0(t) \cos(\omega t + \gamma) \dots \dots \dots (7)$$

Here, $\theta_0(t)$ = initial amplitude and $\theta(t)$ = amplitude at time t .

This describes a harmonic oscillation with amplitude θ_0 and angular velocity

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{mgl}{I_A}} \dots \dots \dots (8)$$

The corresponding oscillation Time period is given by

$$T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{k^2 + l^2}{gl}} \dots \dots \dots (9)$$

The time period of oscillation of a compound pendulum is given by,

$$T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{l^2 + k^2}{lg}} \dots \dots \dots (10)$$

Equation (10) can be written in the quadratic form as

$$l^2 - \frac{T^2 g}{4\pi^2} l + k^2 = 0 \dots \dots \dots (11)$$

If l_1 and l_2 are the distances i.e. the roots of Equation (11) for the same time period T , then we can write

$$l_1 + l_2 = \frac{T^2 g}{4\pi^2} \dots \dots \dots (12)$$

and

$$l_1 l_2 = k^2 \dots \dots \dots (13)$$

Equation (12) can be rearranged to the form

$$g = \frac{4\pi^2(l_1 + l_2)}{T^2} \dots \dots \dots (14)$$

By measuring the values of $L = (l_1 + l_2)$ and T graphically, g may be calculated from Equation (14).

Required Apparatus

A compound pendulum, stopwatch, meter scale, knife-edge, etc.

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Procedure

1. The center of gravity of the pendulum was determined.
2. The distance of each of the holes from the center of gravity was measured.
3. Time for 20 oscillations, t was recorded twice for each of the holes used as point of suspension.
4. A graph of T versus L was plotted (Fig. 2). The values of l_1 and l_2 taken for the same T .

Experimental Data

Table 1: Data for time period.

End	No. of holes	Distance between point of suspension and center of gravity l (cm)	Time for ... oscillations (s)			Time period T (s)
			t_1	t_2	Mean t	
A	1					
	2					
	...					
	10					
B	1					
	2					
	...					
	10					

Results

$$g = \dots \text{ m/s}^2$$

Percentage of error =

Precautions and Discussion

1. Amplitude of oscillation was kept within 4° .
2. The knife-edge was made horizontal for every reading.
3. Error due to the curved knife-edge, yielding the support and resistance of air were avoided as far as possible.
4. Stopwatch was used to measure time.
5. Distances between the point of suspension and CG were measured carefully.

DETERMINATION OF THE FREQUENCY OF A TUNING FORK BY MELDE'S EXPERIMENT.*

Theory

Let one end of the string is attached to one prong of the fork F, and other end passes over a small pulley and is attached to a scale pan S. The string will be set into vibration by setting the tuning fork into vibration. As a result waves will proceed along the length of the string and will be reflected back on reaching the fixed end of the string. The superposition of the direct and reflected waves will form stationary waves, in which the extreme fixed ends of the string will always be nodes and in between them there may be one or more antinodes depending on the tension to which the string is subjected or the length of the string and the plane of vibration either perpendicular or parallel to the length of the string. The vibration may be in two different arrangements: transverse arrangements and longitudinal arrangement.

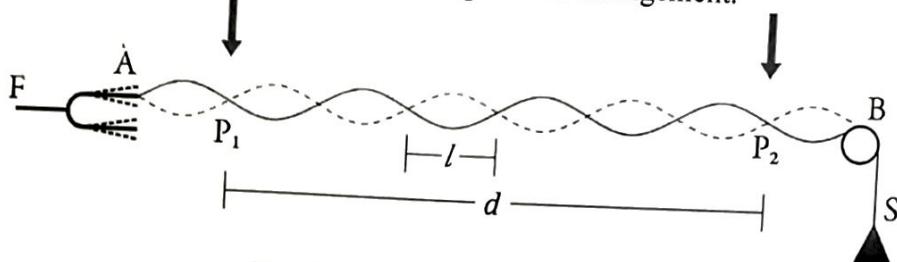


Fig. 1: Transverse arrangement.

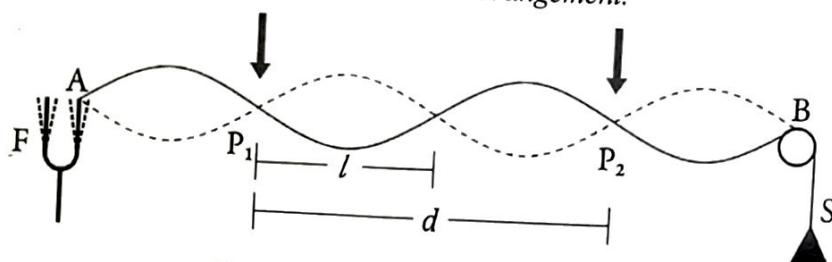


Fig. 2: Longitudinal arrangement.

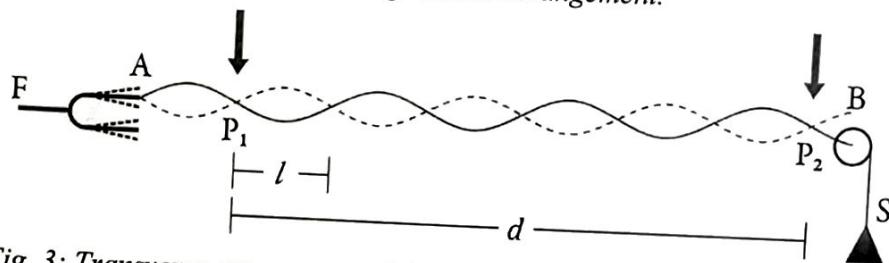


Fig. 3: Transverse arrangement (when there is fractional loop in the string).

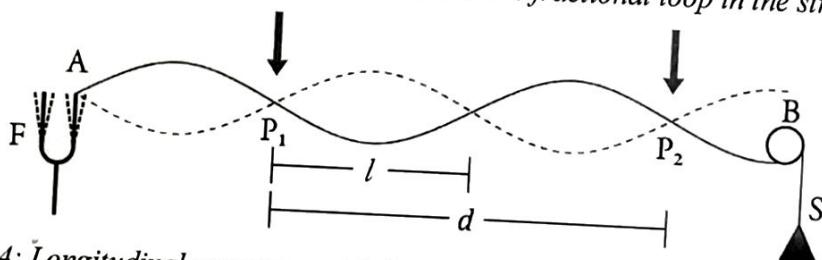


Fig. 4: Longitudinal arrangement (when there is fractional loop in the string).

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In transverse arrangement, the plane of vibration of the fork perpendicular to the length of the string (Fig. 1), and the frequency of the fork (N) is equal to the frequency of the string (n). And in longitudinal arrangement, the plane of vibration of the fork parallel to the length of the string (Fig. 2), and its frequency N is equal to twice that of the string i.e. $N = 2n$.

For the transverse arrangement,

$$N = n = \frac{1}{\lambda} \sqrt{\frac{T}{m}} \dots \dots \dots (1)$$

and for the longitudinal arrangement,

$$N = 2n = \frac{2}{\lambda} \sqrt{\frac{T}{m}} \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

where T is the tension, m is the mass per unit length and λ is the wavelength of the stationary wave set up in the string.

The tension T is given by

$$T = (w + w_1)q \dots \dots \dots (3)$$

where w and w_1 are, respectively, the mass of the scale pan and mass on the scale pan.

Required Apparatus

Required Apparatus Melde's apparatus, string, weight box, balance, etc.

Procedure

Procedure Write yourself (past tense with passive voice).

Experimental Data

Miscellaneous Data:

1. Mass of the scale pan, $w = \dots$ gm
 2. Length of the string, $L = \dots$ cm
 3. Mass of the string, $M = \dots$ gm
 4. Mass per unit length of the string, $m = \frac{M}{L} = \dots$ gm/cm

Table 1: Data for frequency of the transverse arrangement.

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Table 2: Data for frequency of the longitudinal arrangement.

No. of obs.	Mass on the scale pan, w_1 (gm)	Tension, $T = (w + w_1)g$ (dynes)	Total no. of loops (k) between the points P_1 and P_2	Distance between the points P_1 and P_2 , d (cm)	Wave-length $\lambda = \frac{2d}{k}$ (cm)	Mass per unit length of the string, m (gm/cm)	Frequency of the string, $n = \frac{1}{\lambda} \sqrt{\frac{T}{m}}$ (Hz)	Frequency of the fork, $N = 2n$ (Hz)
1								
2								
3								

[NB: Avoid fractional loop between P_1 and P_2 . And take more than one loop.]

Result

$N = \dots$ Hz (For transverse arrangement)

$N = \dots$ Hz (For longitudinal arrangement)

Precautions and Discussion

1. You should avoid fractional loop. To get complete loop, you should increase or decrease the load on the scale pan or adjust the distance between the points A and B.
2. The length between the pulley and the scale pan should be kept as short as possible, or you will have to add the mass of that portion of the string to get the correct tension.
3. The total number of loops may be increased or decreased by decreasing or increasing the load on the scale pan.



FIGURE NO.
DETERMINATION OF THE RADIUS OF CURVATURE OF A PLANO-CONVEX LENS BY NEWTON'S RING APPARATUS.*

Theory

When a parallel beam of monochromatic light of wavelength λ is incident on a combination of L_1 and P_1 as shown in Fig.1, a part of it is reflected from the lower surface of the lens, and a part after refraction through the film between L_1 and P_1 is reflected back from the surface of the plate P_1 . These two reflected rays are in the condition to interfere and give rise to a system of alternate dark and bright rings with O, the point of contact (between L_1 and P_1) as center of the rings.

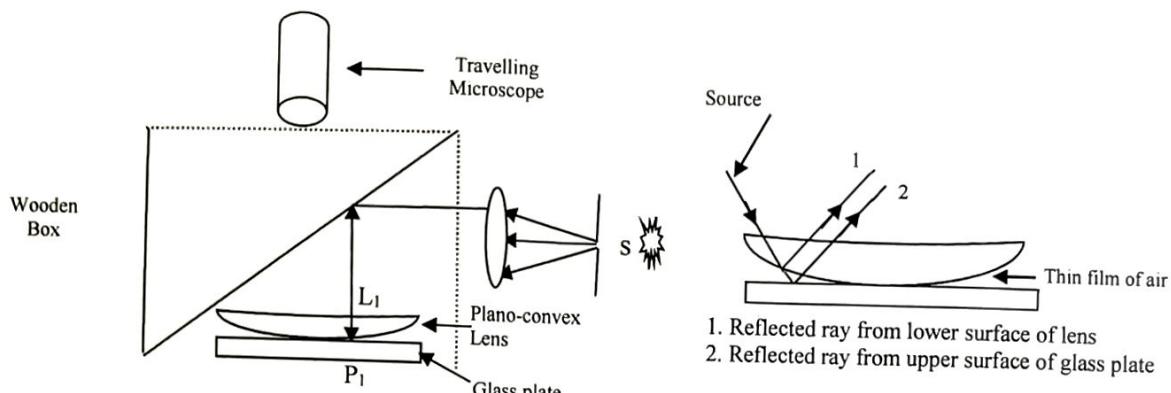


Fig. 1: Experimental setup to find Newton's Ring

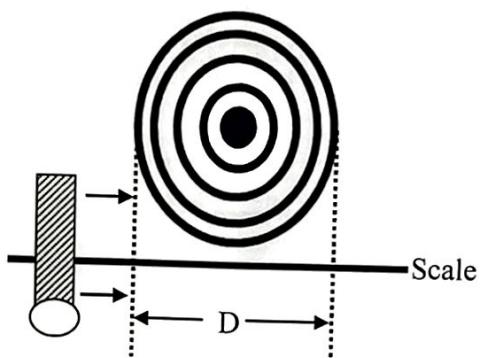


Fig. 2: Observed Newton's Rings.

Let D_n and D_{n+p} be the diameters of the n^{th} and $(n + p)^{\text{th}}$ bright or dark rings for normal incidence.

Diameter of the n^{th} dark ring is

$$D_n = \sqrt{4n\lambda R} \dots \dots \dots (1)$$

And diameter of the $(n + p)^{\text{th}}$ dark ring is

$$D_{n+p} = \sqrt{4(n + p)\lambda R} \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

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By subtracting Equation (1) from (2) the wavelength λ of the incident monochromatic light is given by the equation

$$R = \frac{D_{n+p}^2 - D_n^2}{4p\lambda} \dots \dots \dots (3)$$

where λ is known (for Na-light, $\lambda \approx 5893 \text{ \AA}$). Then by measuring the diameter D_n and D_{n+p} of the n^{th} and $(n+p)^{\text{th}}$ bright or dark rings, the value of R can be determined.

Required Apparatus

Plano-convex lens, plane glass sheets, travelling microscope, wooden box, sodium flame arrangement, etc.

Procedure

Write yourself (past tense with passive voice).[†]

Experimental Data

Table 1: Readings for diameters of the rings.

Least count (LC) = ... cm.

Ring no.	Readings of the microscope								Diameter $D = (L - R)$ (cm)	D^2 (cm ²)		
	Left side				Right side							
	MSR S (cm)	CSD D (div)	CSR $C =$ (D \times LC) (cm)	TR $L =$ ($S + C$) (cm)	MSR S (cm)	CSD D (div)	CSR $C =$ (D \times LC) (cm)	TR $R =$ ($S + V$) (cm)				
1												
2												
3												
...												

[NB: MSR = main scale reading, CSD = circular scale division, CSR = circular scale reading, TR = total reading.]

Calculations

From data:

Consider diameters of any two arbitrary rings

For example, n^{th} ring is 3^{rd} ring and $(n+p)^{\text{th}}$ ring is 5^{th} ring, then $p = (5 - 3) = 2$

$$R = \frac{D_{n+p}^2 - D_n^2}{4p\lambda}$$

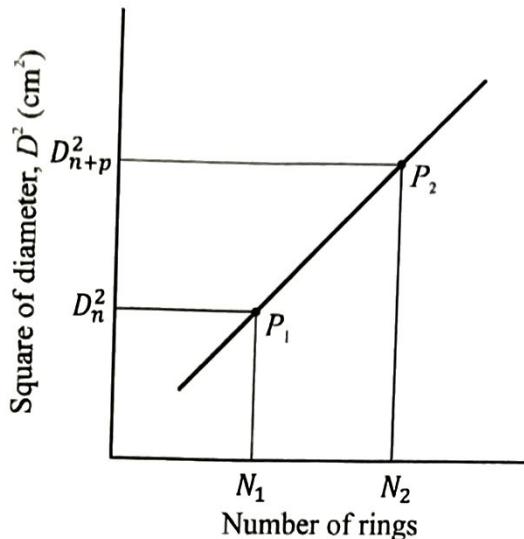
Putting the values of D , p and λ , the radius of curvature R can be determined.

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FIGURE NO.

From graph:

Equation (3) can be written as $D_{n+p}^2 - D_n^2 = (4\lambda R)p$, this equation is comparable with $y = mx + c$. Here, $y = D_{n+p}^2 - D_n^2$, $4R\lambda = m$, $p = x$ and $c = 0$.



But, Equation (3) can be written as

$$R = \frac{m}{4\lambda} \dots \dots \dots (4)$$

$$\text{where slope } m = \frac{P_2 N_2 - P_1 N_1}{N_1 N_2} = \frac{D_{n+p}^2 - D_n^2}{p}$$

Finding $P_2 N_2$, $P_1 N_1$ and $N_1 N_2$ from the graph, the value of R can be determined from Equation (4).

Results

$R = \dots$ cm (from calculations)

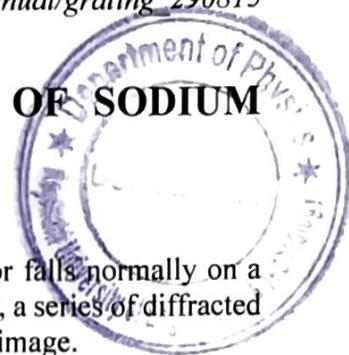
$R = \dots$ cm (from graph)

Precautions and Discussion

1. Backlash error should be avoided.
2. Diameter should be measured very carefully.
3. The cross wire of travelling microscope should be set mid-way between the outer and inner edges of a ring to avoid error.

~~FIGURE NO.~~

DETERMINATION OF THE WAVELENGTH OF SODIUM LIGHT BY PLANE DIFFRACTION GRATING.*



Theory

A parallel beam of light of wavelength λ , coming out from a collimator falls normally on a plane diffraction grating. The grating is placed vertically on a prism table, a series of diffracted images of the collimator slit will be observed on both sides of the direct image.

The equation of interference maxima (that is the grating equation) can be written as,

$$(a + b) \sin \theta = n\lambda \dots \dots \dots (1)$$

Here, θ = angle of deviation; $(a + b)$ = grating element, and n = order number ($0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$).

Since $(a + b) = \frac{1}{N}$, where N is the grating constant i.e. number of lines or ruling or grooves or scratches per cm of the grating surface

$$\sin \theta = nN\lambda$$

or

$$N = \frac{\sin \theta}{n\lambda}$$

or

$$\lambda = \frac{\sin \theta}{nN} \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

The wavelength λ can be determined from Equation (2) by the known values of N , the order (n) and the diffraction angle (θ).

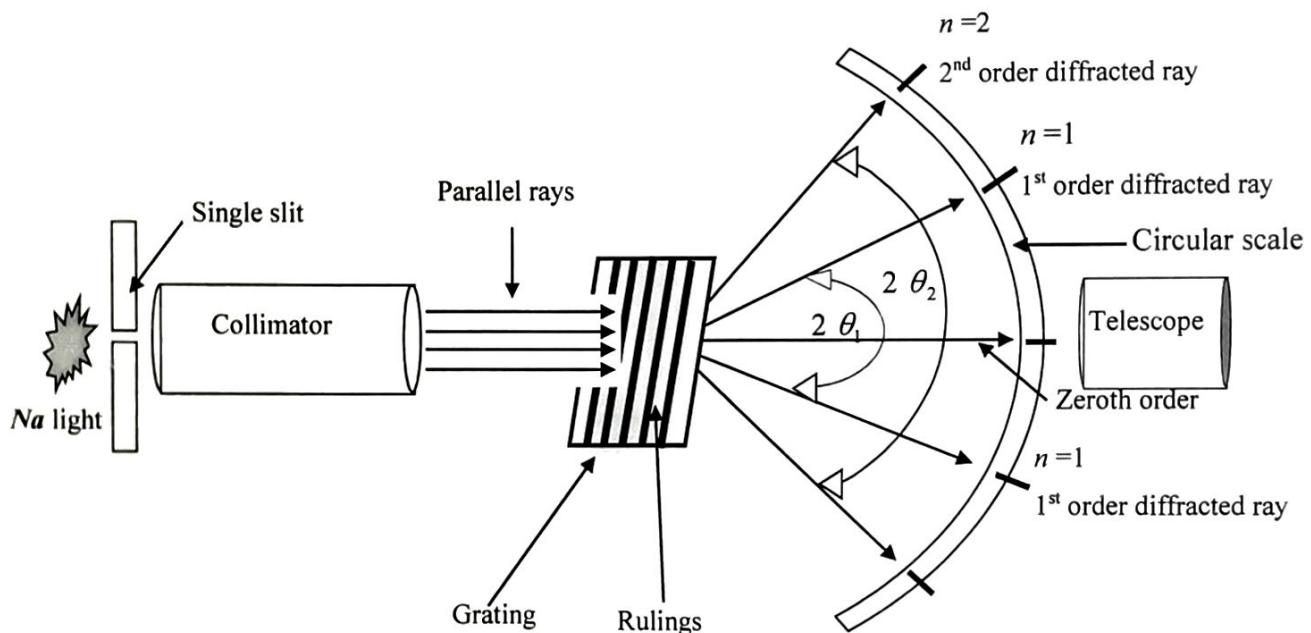


Fig. 1: Diffraction mechanism through grating.

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FIGURE NO

Required Apparatus

Spectrometer, Na light, grating, spirit level, etc.

Procedure

Write yourself (past tense with passive voice).

Experimental Data

Table 1: Data for the angle of diffraction.

Vernier constant (VC) = ... deg.

Order no.	Vernier no.	Readings for the diffracted images								$2\theta = (P \sim Q)$ (deg)	θ (deg)	Mean θ (deg)			
		Left				Right									
		MSR <i>M</i> (deg)	VSD <i>D</i> (div)	VSR <i>V</i> = (<i>D</i> × VC) (deg)	TR <i>P</i> = (<i>M</i> + <i>V</i>) (deg)	MSR <i>M</i> (deg)	VSD <i>D</i> (div)	VSR <i>V</i> = (<i>D</i> × VC) (deg)	TR <i>Q</i> = (<i>M</i> + <i>V</i>) (deg)						
1	1														
	2														
2	1														
	2														
...															

[NB: MSR = main scale reading, VSD = vernier scale division, VSR = vernier scale reading,
TR= total reading.]

Calculations

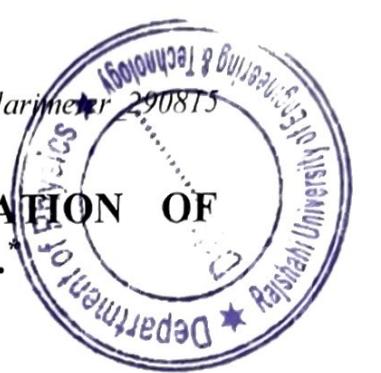
Results

$$\lambda = \dots \text{ Å}$$

$$\text{Percentage of error} = \dots$$

Precautions and Discussion

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DETERMINATION OF THE SPECIFIC ROTATION OF SUGAR SOLUTION BY USING A POLARIMETER.

Theory

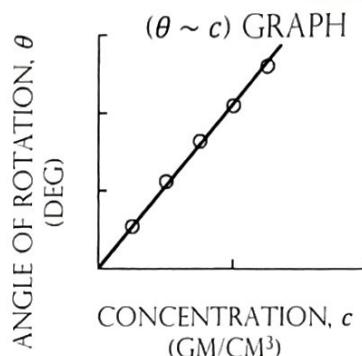
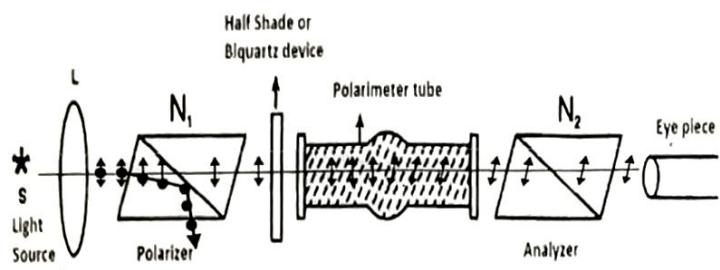


Fig. 1: Arrangement inside the Polarimeter. Fig. 2: ($\theta \sim c$) graph.

[NB: Students should plot angle of rotation versus concentration (not strength) curve.]

The specific rotation of a solution is a characteristic physical property of a given optically active molecules. If the specific rotation of a compound is positive, the compound is said to be dextrorotatory, if negative, it is referred to as levorotatory. The substances that rotate the plane of vibration to the right are called right-handed or dextrorotatory and the substances that rotate the plane of vibration to the left are called left-handed or levorotatory. The angle of rotation produced to the plane of vibration by an optically active substance in solution is proportional to

1. the thickness of the solution
2. the concentration of the solution or the density of the active substance in the solvent and
3. the nature of the substance.

Thus we can write

$$\theta \propto lc$$

or

$$\theta = Slc$$

or

$$S = \frac{\theta}{lc}$$

where θ is the angle of rotation produced, l is the length of the solution in decimeters, c is the concentration of the solution and $c = \frac{m}{V}$ gm/cm³, where m is the mass of sugar in grams dissolved in water, V is the volume of sugar solution, S is a constant called specific rotation and depends upon the nature of the solution.

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$$\text{If } l \text{ is in decimeter then } S = \frac{\theta}{lc}.$$

If $l = 1$ decimeter (10 cm) and $c = 1$ gm/cm³ then $S = \theta$.

In our experiment, usually we measure l in cm and the concentration of the sugar solution is not unit concentration. In that case,

$$\text{Specific rotation} = \frac{\text{Rotation produced by 1 decimeter length of the solution}}{\text{Density of the solution in gm/cm}^3} = \frac{\theta / \left(\frac{l}{10}\right)}{c} = \frac{10\theta}{lc}$$

where l is the length expressed in centimeters.

$$\text{If } l \text{ is in centimeter then } S = \frac{10\theta}{lc}.$$

Now the angles of rotation, θ for different values of known concentrations, c of a solution can be measured with the help of a polarimeter. If a graph is plotted with θ against sc , then the graph will be a straight line. The polarimeter is thus calibrated.

Required Apparatus

Polarimeter, balance, measuring cylinder, sugar, beaker, thermometer and a source of light.

Procedure

Write yourself (past tense with passive voice).

Experimental Data

Weight of empty watch glass, $m_1 = \dots$ gm

Weight of watch glass and sugar, $m_2 = \dots$ gm

Weight of sugar, $(m_2 - m_1) = \dots$ gm

Length of the sugar solution, $l = \dots$ cm

[NB: Students should note that vernierscale is divided into 20 divisions.]

Table 1: Data for determining angular rotation.

No. of obs.	Strength of the solution (%)	Concentration of sugar solution (gm/cm ³)	Reading with water				Reading with solution				Angular rotation ($Q - P$) (deg)	Mean angular rotation (deg)	Specific rotation S (deg)			
			P (deg)				Q (deg)									
			MSR (deg)	CSD (div)	CSR (deg)	TR (deg)	MSR (deg)	CSD (div)	CSR (deg)	TR (deg)						
			Scale A				Scale A									
			Scale B				Scale B									
							Scale A									
							Scale B									
							Scale A									
							Scale B									
							Scale A									
							Scale B									

[NB: MSR = main scale reading, CSD = circular scale division, CSR = circular scale reading, TR = total reading.]

Calculations

Length of the sugar solution, $l = \dots$ cm

[NB: l is the length of the sugar solution it is not the length of the tube.]

$$\text{Concentration} = \frac{\text{mass}}{\text{volume}} = \dots \text{gm/cm}^3$$

So for a 20% solution, Specific rotation, $S = \frac{10\theta}{lc} =$
For 15% solution, —

For 10% solution, —

For 5% solution, —,etc.

Calculate in a similar manner the specific rotation from θ and corresponding to point of the graph.

Results

$S = \dots$ (from graph)

$S = \dots$ (from calculation)

Precautions and Discussion

1. The polarimeter tube should be well cleaned.
2. Water used should be dust free.
3. Whenever a solution is changed, rinse the tube with the new solution under examination.
4. There should be no air bubble inside the tube.
5. Reading should be taken when halves of the field of view becomes equally illuminated.
6. The temperature of the solutions should be maintained constant during the experiment since the rotation depends on the temperature of the solution.
7. The rotation also depends on the wavelength. Hence Na-light of wavelength $\lambda = 5893 \text{ \AA}$ is to be employed to find the rotation.

*****Viva*****

1. What is polarimeter? And its construction
2. What is specific rotation and its application
3. What is unpolarised and polarized light and differentiate between it
4. What is nicol prism? How nicol prism acts as a polarizer?
5. How many ways to get a polarized light?
6. What is polarizer and analiser?

FIGURE NO. _____

DETERMINATION OF THE RESISTANCE OF A GALVANOMETER COIL BY HALF DEFLECTION METHOD.

Theory

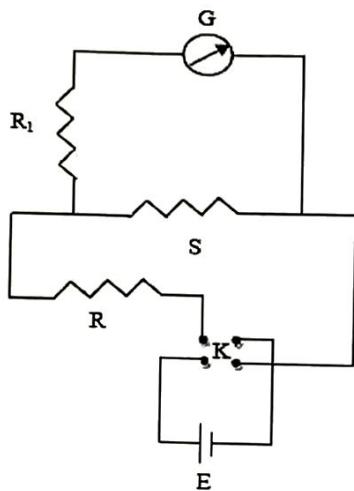


Fig. 1. Circuit diagram for the determination of galvanometer resistance G .

The resistance of a conductor is defined as the ratio of the potential difference applied to the points of that conductor and the current flowing through it. The resistance of a galvanometer coil can be found in the following way:

In the arrangement as shown in Fig. 1, S , $(G + R_1)$ are joined in parallel the equivalent resistance is given by $\frac{S(G+R_1)}{(G+R_1+S)}$. If i_g be the main current, the potential difference V across the shunt S is given by

$$V = i_g \frac{S(G + R_1)}{(G + R_1 + S)} = \frac{i_g S}{1 + \frac{S}{(G + R_1)}}$$

When S is very small compared to the galvanometer resistance, we can neglect the ratio $\frac{S}{(G + R_1)}$. Hence

$$V = i_g S$$

Which is independent of the resistance in the galvanometer and the potential difference V between ends of shunt resistance S remains nearly constant for all values of R_1 . Thus if $R_1 = 0$, the current through the galvanometer is given by

$$i_g = \frac{V}{G} = kd \dots \dots \dots (1)$$

FIGURE NO
 Where d is the deflections of the pointer and k is the galvanometer constant. If now a resistance R_1 is introduced in the galvanometer circuit such that the deflection reduces to $\frac{d}{2}$ i.e. half of the previous deflection then we can rewrite equation (1)

$$i'_g = \frac{V}{G + R_1} = \frac{kd}{2} \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

Where i'_g is the new galvanometer current in the changed circumstances

Dividing Equation (1) by (2), we have

$$\frac{G + R_1}{G} = 2$$

or

$$G + R_1 = 2G$$

or

$$G = R_1 \dots \dots \dots (3)$$

Hence by simply measuring R_1 , G can be found out. In this method galvanometer resistance G is equal to R_1 that's why half deflection method is more convenient than others.

Required Apparatus

Battery, galvanometer, resistance boxes, commutator, connecting wires, etc.

Procedure

1. Connections were made as shown in Fig. 1 keeping the shunt resistance $S = 0.2 \Omega, 0.5 \Omega$ and 0.7Ω .
2. With $R_1 = 0 \Omega$, galvanometer deflection was taken around 12–20 divisions by adjusting the series resistance R .
3. Then the deflection was made half introducing a suitable value of R_1 .
4. The second and third operations were repeated for three times.

Experimental Data**FIGURE NO.** _____**Table 1: Data for measuring galvanometer resistance G.**

No. of obs.	Series resistance R (Ω)	Shunt resistance S (Ω)	Direction of current	R_1 (Ω)	Deflection (div)	G (Ω)	Mean G (Ω)
1		0.2	Direct				
			Reverse				
2		0.2	Direct				
			Reverse				
3		0.5	Direct				
			Reverse				
4		0.5	Direct				
			Reverse				
5		0.7	Direct				
			Reverse				

Result

$$G = \dots \Omega$$

Precautions and Discussion

1. Shunt resistances were kept necessarily very small compared to the galvanometer resistance.
2. The series resistance R was never be made equal to zero when the circuit was closed otherwise the galvanometer became damaged.
3. The plugs of the resistance boxes were made fairly tight.
4. Deflection of the galvanometer was kept within the scale.
5. For steady deflection a storage battery was used.
6. Both theory and experiment showed that this method gave satisfactory value only when resistance of the galvanometer was very high in comparison with the shunt resistance. Thus very low resistances of the shunts were preferred.

FIGURE NO. _____

*****Read for viva*****

1. Internal construction of galvanometer and different types of galvanometer
2. What is Galvanometer resistance and galvanometer constant?
3. What do you mean by Sensitivity of a galvanometer? and find its relation with galvanometer constant.
4. What is Commutator? And why it is used in our experiment?
5. What is Half deflection method and what are the advantages of this method than other deflection method?
6. May I use other deflection method for finding galvanometer constant? How
7. Internal construction of a resistance box
8. What is shunt resistance?

DETERMINATION OF THE REFRACTIVE INDEX OF A GIVEN LIQUID BY A TRAVELLING MICROSCOPE.*

Theory

When an observer is looking vertically from air to a point object inside a liquid, the object appears to him to be raised by a definite amount depending on its depth below the surface and the refractive index of the liquid relative to air.

A narrow normal pencil of rays starting from P, the point object, appears to come from P', which is the image of P.

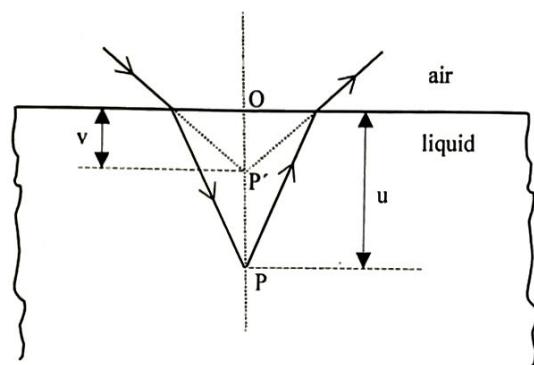


Fig. 1: Experimental setup to determine refractive index.

The refractive index of the liquid relative to the medium air is given by,

$$\mu = \frac{OP}{OP'} = \frac{u}{v}$$

where $OP = u$ is the real depth of P below the surface and $OP' = v$ is its apparent depth.

Required Apparatus

Travelling microscope, liquid, lycopodium powder, beaker, etc.

Procedure

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FIGURE NO. _____

Experimental Data

Table 1: Data for μ .

Vernier constant = ... cm

Liquid depth	Readings of the microscope for the					
	Scratch without liquid	Scratch with liquid	Liquid surface	TR, A (cm)	VSR (cm)	μ_{\parallel}
1						
2						
...						

[NB: MSR = main scale reading, VSD = vernier scale division, VSR = vernier scale reading,
TR= total reading.]

Result

$$\mu = \dots$$

Precautions and Discussion

1. The microscope axis should be vertical.
2. The parallax between the cross-wire and the image should be avoided in each case.
3. The depth of the liquid must not exceed the focal length of the microscope.



DETERMINATION OF THE GALVANOMETER CONSTANT.*

Theory

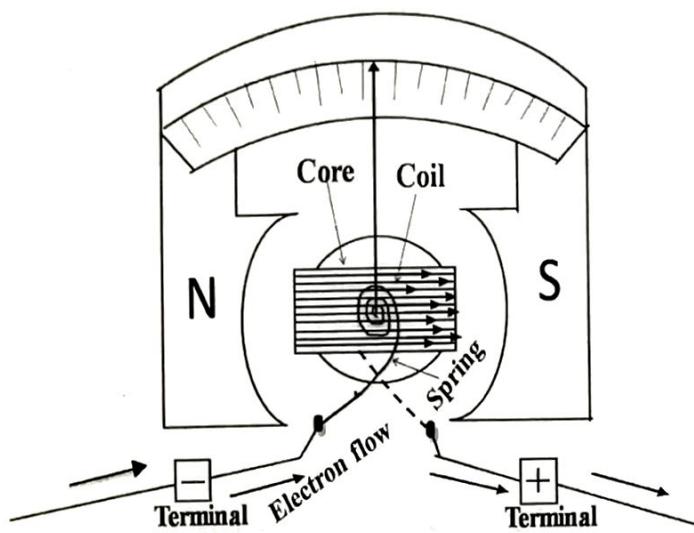


Fig. 1. Diagram of a galvanometer

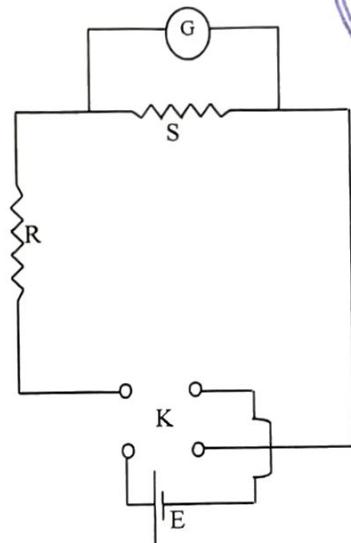


Fig. 2. Circuit diagram for determining galvanometer constant

A galvanometer is a sensitive meter used to detect and measure very small electric current. It is the basic meter for measuring direct current. By the addition of its simple parts, it can be used as an ammeter or voltmeter as device.

Let the length and breadth of the rectangular coil respectively be l and b , the magnetic induction or flux density of the stationary be B , number of the turns of the coil be n and current in the coil be i_g ampere. So, force acting on the vertical arms AB and CD is,

$$F = ni_g l B$$

Here the lines of action of the two forces remain perpendicular to the plane of the coil.

Again, although the same current flows through the two vertical arms but they are opposite to each other. So the two forces acting on the two arms are equal, parallel and opposite. Hence, the force will create a couple on the coil to rotate the coil from its equilibrium position. This couple is called deflecting couple. So, the moment of deflecting couple,

$$C_1 = F \times b = ni_g l B \times b = ni_g A B$$

where $A = l \times b = \text{area of the coil}$.

Due to this deflecting couple the coil rotates and consequently a torsion develops on the suspended wire. The elastic property of the suspended wire tends to release the torsion and creates a couple in the opposite direction. It is called restoring couple.

More the tension on the suspended wire more will be the restoring couple. So the moment of the restoring couple is proportional to the angle of deflection, i.e.,

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$$C_2 \propto d$$

or

$$C_2 = \tau d$$

τ is called turning constant. Its value depends on the length, breadth and material of the suspended wire. In equilibrium these two moments of the couple are equal and opposite.

$$C_1 = C_2$$

or

$$ni_g AB = \tau d$$

or

$$i_g = \frac{\tau d}{nAB}$$

or

$$i_g = kd \dots \dots \dots (1)$$

Here, $k = \frac{\tau}{nAB}$ is a constant. It is called the galvanometer constant.

With the circuit arrangement shown in the Fig. 2 the galvanometer current i_g can be calculated using the equation

$$i_g = \frac{ES}{R(S+G) + SG} \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

where E is the e.m.f. of the cell used, S the shunt resistance, R the series resistance, G the galvanometer resistance

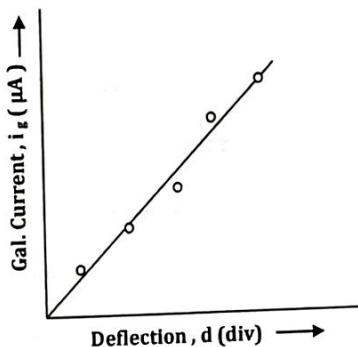


Fig. 3. $i_g \sim d$ plot to determine k .

It is apparent from Equation (1), the $i_g \sim d$ plot will be a straight line, the slope of which gives the galvanometer constant k .

Required Apparatus

Galvanometer, resistance boxes, cell, commutator, connecting wires, etc.

Procedure

1. Connections were made as shown in the Fig. 2.
2. For several combinations of R and S , the galvanometer deflections d were measured.
3. The galvanometer currents i_g were calculated using Equation (2).

FIGURE NO. _____

4. The calculated i_g were plotted against the corresponding deflections d .
5. The galvanometer constant k was calculated from the $i_g \sim d$ plot.

Experimental Data

Table 1: Miscellaneous data.

Galvanometer resistance G (Ω)	EMF of the cell E (V)

Table 2: Data for the galvanometer deflection d .

No. of obs.	Shunt resistance S (Ω)	Series resistance R (Ω)	Deflection for, d (div)		
			Direct current	Reverse current	Mean
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					

Results

$k = \dots \mu\text{A}/\text{div}$ (from calculations)

$k = \dots \mu\text{A}/\text{div}$ (from graph)

Precautions and Discussion

1. Keys in the resistance boxes R and S were kept tight, otherwise any stray resistance can entail the calculation of i_g .
2. Proper choice of the values of R and S were essential not only to protect the galvanometer against high current but also to produce reasonable deflection in the galvanometer.
3. As the angle of deflection was directly proportional to the current i_g so a linear scale was used to measure current i_g and hence i_g was convenient to take readings.
4. When current flows through the coil, it was deflected but comes to equilibrium state without any oscillation.

FIGURE NO.

*****Viva*****

1. What is galvanometer? its construction and how torque is developed on the coil?
2. Different types of galvanometer
3. What is galvanometer constant and sensitivity of a meter?
4. What is the Relation between galvanometer constant and sensitivity and its physical meaning
5. Details about Resistance post office box

Measurement of e/m of an electron using an electron beam deflection tube.

Theory:

When a charged particle moves through a region in which both electric and magnetic fields are present, the resultant electromagnetic force experienced by the particle is given by the Lorentz force law,

$$\vec{F} = q(\vec{E} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B}) \quad (1)$$

Where,

q is the charge of the particle

\vec{v} is the velocity of the particle

\vec{E} is the electric field intensity

and \vec{B} is the strength of the magnetic field

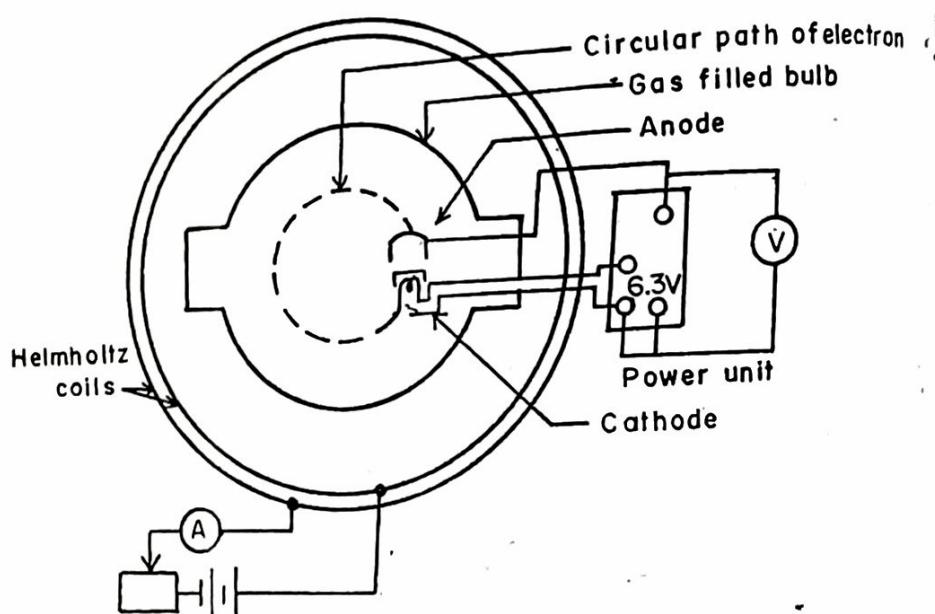


Fig.1: Electron beam deflection tube.

If the charged particle is an electron of charge e and moves in a direction inclined at an angle θ to the direction of the magnetic field B , then in the absence of the electric field,

$$\vec{F} = e(\vec{v} \times \vec{B}) \quad (2)$$

The magnitude of the force is,

$$F = evB \sin \theta \quad (3)$$

If $\theta < 90^\circ$, the electron will move in a helical path.

IF $\theta = 90^\circ$, we get

$$F = evB$$

FIGURE NO.

The force is maximum and acts in a direction perpendicular to both the magnetic field and the direction of motion of the electron. As a result, the electron moves in a circular path with a constant speed v . The magnitude of the centripetal force, which arises due to the circular motion of the electron, will be equal to evB . If m is the mass of the electron and r is the radius of its circular path, then

$$\frac{mv^2}{r} = evB$$

$$v = \frac{eBr}{m} \quad (4)$$

If the electron is initially accelerated by an applied potential difference V_a , then we have

$$eV_a = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 \quad (5)$$

Substituting $v = \frac{eBr}{m}$ in equ.(5), we get,

$$\frac{e}{m} = \frac{2V_a}{B^2 r^2} \quad (6)$$

The magnetic field is set up by a pair of Helmholtz coils which produces a fairly uniform magnetic field near its centre. The value of B in this region is given by

$$B = \mu_0 \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^{3/2} \frac{ni}{a} = 8.99 \times 10^{-7} \frac{ni}{a} \quad (7)$$

Where,

n = number of turns in each of the pair of coils

i = current in the coil

a = radius of the coil

μ_0 = permeability of the empty space ($\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \frac{wb}{Amp-m}$)

The value of e/m can be obtained from eqs.(6) and (7). A graph of r^2 versus V_a will be a straight line (Fig.2). The value of e/m can be calculated from the slope of the straight line.

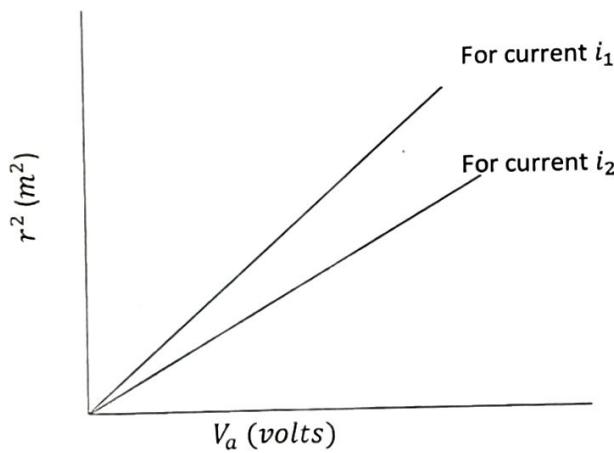


Fig.2: r^2 versus V_a graph

Required Apparatus:

Electron beam deflection tube with Helmholtz coils, power supply.

Procedure:

1. Set the apparatus on a level table.
 2. With the power switch off, connect the line cord to the connect line voltage power.
 3. Turn on power switch. 20 minutes warm-up time is recommended before taking measurement.
 4. Turn the voltage adjust control up to 200V and observe the bottom of the electron gun.
 5. Turn the current adjust control up and observe the circular deflection of the beam.
 6. Measure the diameter of the path of the electron. Keeping the coil current fixed (say, $i=1.4$ A), gradually increase the value of the applied potential difference when electron paths of increasing diameters will result. Measure the diameters of the paths and record the corresponding values of V_a .
 7. Change the coil current to another value ($i=1.8$ A, 2.2 A etc.) and repeat the procedure (6).
 8. Draw a graph with voltage as the abscissa and the corresponding square of the radii of the electron paths as the ordinate for each coil current.

Experimental Data:

Number of turns in each of the pair of coils, $n = 132$

Coil radius, $a = 0.1475\text{ m}$

Table 1: Data for determination of e/m for different coil current.

Result: $e/m = \dots\dots\dots$ (from calculation) $e/m = \dots\dots\dots$ (from graph)Percentage of error = (standard value of e/m is $1.7588 \times 10^{11} C/Kg$)**Precautions and Discussion:**

1. Keep the power turned off when not needed.
2. Take care to determine B as accurately as possible.
3. Record data carefully.
4. If the anode voltage is too high, tube lifetime will be shortened. Do not raise the voltage higher than necessary. Usually a few hundred volts (maximum 275 V) will be enough.

N.B. :

- BE CAREFUL! This is a high voltage equipment. Keep yourself safe during experimental work.
- Do not raise the accelerating voltage higher than 275V and the coil current higher than 2.7 A.
- Warm-up time : 20 minutes

DETERMINATION OF THE REFRACTIVE INDEX OF A GIVEN LIQUID BY A PLANE MIRROR AND A CONVEX LENS.*

Theory

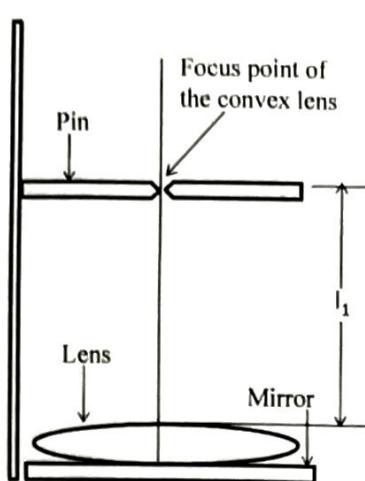


Fig. 1: Measuring the focal length of convex lens.

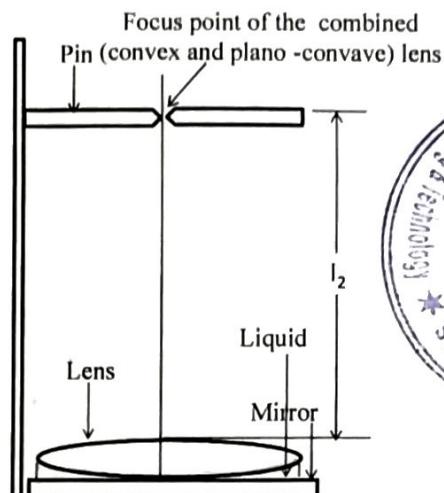


Fig. 2: Measuring the focal length of combined lens.

For a certain couple of media and a ray of certain wavelength the ratio of the trigonometric sine of angle of incident to the trigonometric sine of angle of refraction is always constant which is said to be refractive index of the second medium with respect to the first medium. If a convex lens is placed on a few drops of liquid on a plane mirror, then on squeezing the liquid into the space between the mirror and the lens a plano-concave liquid lens is formed. The curved surface of this liquid lens has the same radius of curvature as the surface of the convex lens with which it is in contact. Thus we have a combination of two lenses-one of the glass and other of the liquid, which behaves as a convergent lens. If F be the focal length of the combination then we have the relation

$$\frac{1}{F} = \frac{1}{f_1} + \frac{1}{f_2} \dots \dots \dots (1)$$

where f_1 and f_2 are the focal lengths of the convex lens and the liquid lens respectively. Since the focal length of plano-convex lens, f_2 is negative, we get

$$\frac{1}{F} = \frac{1}{f_1} - \frac{1}{f_2}$$

or

$$\frac{1}{f_2} = \frac{1}{f_1} - \frac{1}{F} \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

Determining F and f_1 experimentally, we can calculate f_2 from Equation (2).

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FIGURE NO.

If a lens consists of a material of refractive index μ , its radius of curvature of first surface (the surface in which a ray first encounters) is r_1 and that of second surface is r_2 , then in air its focal length f_2 satisfy the following equation

$$\frac{1}{f_2} = (\mu - 1) \left(\frac{1}{r_1} - \frac{1}{r_2} \right)$$

For a plano-concave lens above equation can be written as

$$\frac{1}{f_2} = (\mu - 1) \left(\frac{1}{r} \right)$$

here, $r_1 = r$ and $r_2 = \infty$, the lower face of the liquid lens being a plane.

Where r is the radius of curvature of curved surface of the plano-concave lens. According to sign convention, both f_2 and $r (= r_1)$ are negative. Thus

$$\frac{1}{f_2} = \frac{\mu - 1}{r}$$

or

$$\mu = 1 + \frac{r}{f_2} \dots \dots \dots (3)$$

where μ is the refractive index of the liquid. Finding r , the radius of the curvature of the lower surface of the convex lens i.e., the surface in contact with the liquid and knowing f_2 from Equation (2), the refractive index μ of the liquid can be found out using Equation (3).

Required Apparatus

Spherometer, biconvex lens, plane mirror, liquid, a stand to hold the object, meter scale, slide calipers, etc.

Procedure

Write yourself (past tense with passive voice).

Experimental Data

Measurement of radius of curvature of the surface of lens,

$$r = \frac{h}{2} + \frac{a^2}{6h}$$

where a is the separation between two legs of the spherometer and h is the height of the lens.

FIGURE NO.

Table 1: Data for h and t .

Least count (LC) = ...

Vernier constant (VC) = ...

No of obs.	Readings of spherometer for h										$h = (R_1 - R_2)$ (cm)	Readings of the slide calipers for t				Mean, t (cm)
	Base plate					Lens surface						MSR	VSD	VSR	TR	
	LSR L (cm)	CSD D (div)	CSR $C =$ ($D \times LC$) (cm)	TR $(L + C)$ (cm)	Mean R_1 (cm)	LSR L (cm)	CSD D (div)	CSR $C =$ ($D \times LC$) (cm)	TR $(L + C)$ (cm)	Mean R_2 (cm)	M (deg)	D (div)	$V =$ ($D \times VC$) (deg)	$P =$ ($M + V$) (deg)		
1																
2																
3																

[NB: LSR = linear scale reading, CSD = circular scale division, CSR = circular scale reading, MSR = main scale reading, VSD = vernier scale division, VSR = vernier scale reading, TR= total reading.]

Table 2: Data for focal lengths.

No. of obs.	Distance between the pin and face of the lens without liquid l_1 (cm)	Focal length of the convex lens $f_1 = l_1 + \frac{t}{3}$ (cm)	Mean f_1 (cm)	Distance between the pin and the top surface of the lens with liquid l_2 (cm)	Focal length of the combination $F = l_2 + \frac{t}{3}$ (cm)	Mean F (cm)	Focal length of the liquid lens $f_2 = \frac{Ff_1}{F - f_1}$ (cm)	μ of liquid

Result

$$\mu = \dots$$

Precautions and Discussion

1. Parallax error was avoided.
2. The pin was moved along the axis of the lens so that refraction may take place through the centre of the lens by which spherical and chromatic aberration was avoided.
3. Readings of slide calipers and spherometer was measured very carefully.