

Electrical Circuits

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MCQs

- 1) Kirchhoff's voltage law of electrical circuit is based on the principle of conservation of
- a) Charge b) Mass
c) Energy d) Linear momentum
- 2) If specific resistance of a potentiometer wire is 10^{-7} m , current flowing through it is 0.1 A & cross sectional area of wire is 10^{-6} m^2 , the potential gradient will be,
- a) 10^{-2} V/m b) 10^{-4} V m^{-1}
c) 10^{-6} V m^{-1} d) 10^{-8} V m^{-1}

Soln : $S = 10^{-7}$, $I = 0.1 \text{ A}$

$$\frac{V}{L} = I S K \quad \frac{V}{L} = I R$$

$$\text{Or}, \frac{V}{L} = \frac{I S K}{A} \quad \left[\because R = S \frac{L}{A} \right]$$

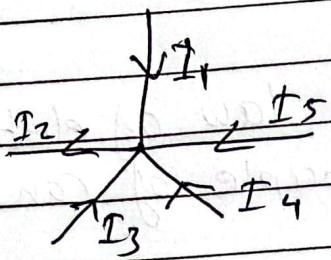
$$\text{Or}, \frac{V}{L} = \frac{I S}{A}$$

$$\text{Or}, \frac{V}{L} = 0.1 \times \frac{10^{-7}}{10^{-6}}$$

$$\therefore \frac{V}{L} = 10^{-2} \text{ V m}^{-1}$$

3) What is the relation between current into

Ans:



a) $I_2 = I_1 + I_3 + I_4 + I_5$

b) $I_2 - I_1 = I_3 - I_4 + I_5$

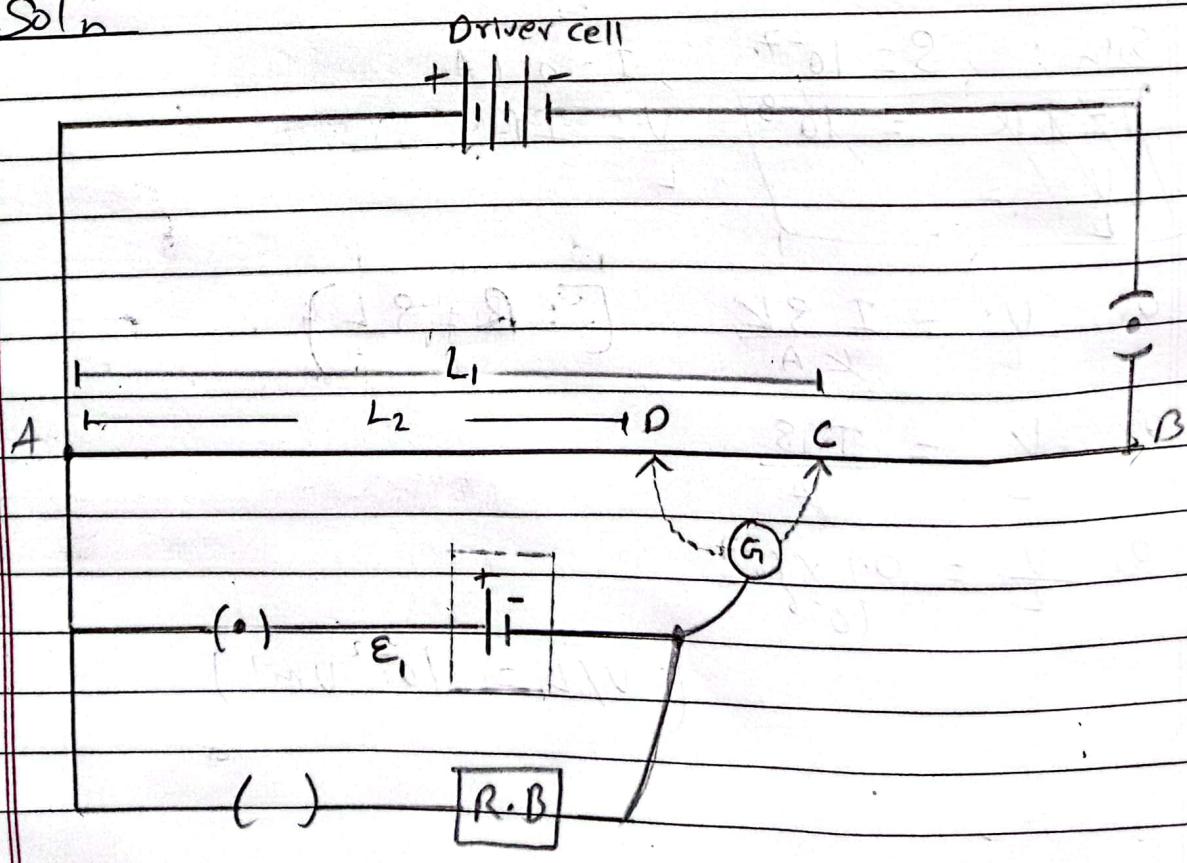
c) $I_3 + I_4 = I_2 + I_1 + I_5$

d) $I_1 + I_5 = I_2 + I_3 + I_4$

(Conceptual Answer question)

- 1) Draw a circuit diagram of a potentiometer to measure the internal resistance of cell. Use the formula used.

Soln



Formula used:

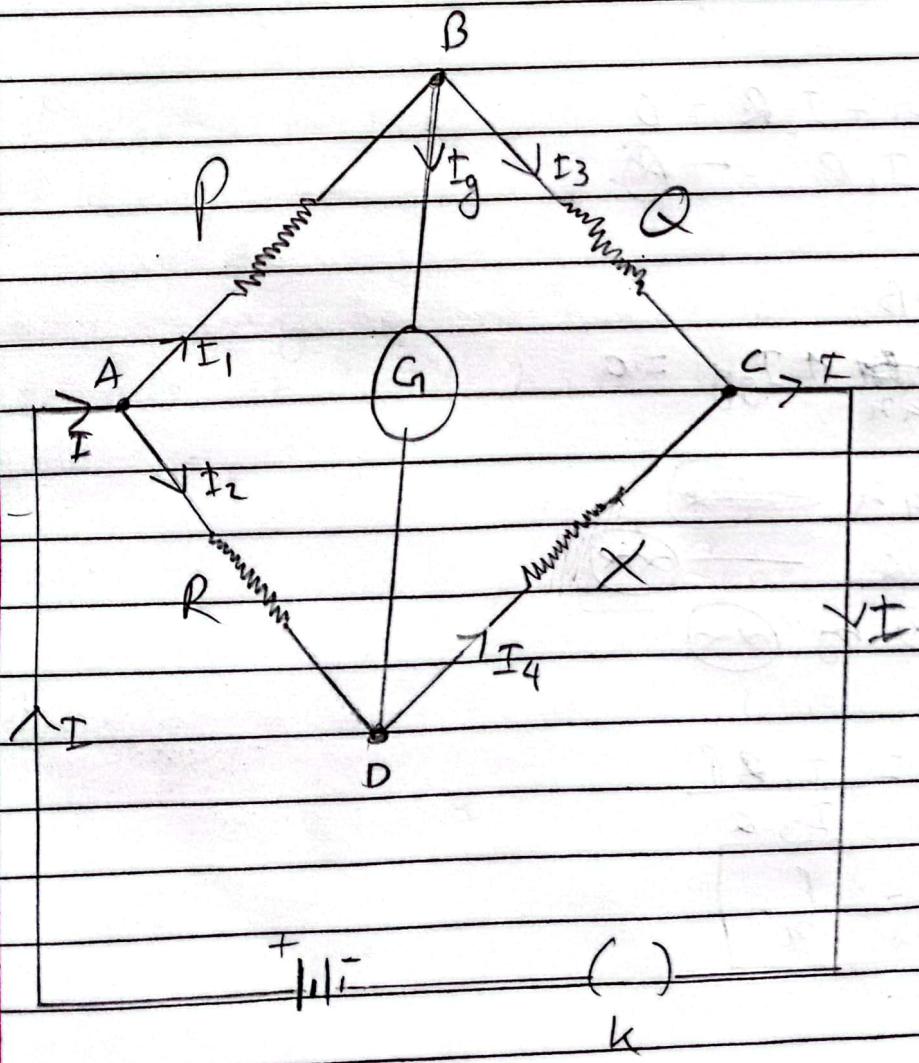
$$\frac{KL_1}{KL_2} = \frac{(R+r)}{R}$$

Or, $\left[\frac{L_1}{L_2} = 1 + \frac{r}{R} \right]$

$$\therefore r = R \left(\frac{L_1 - L_2}{L_2} \right)$$

- 2) Draw a Wheatstone bridge circuit & mention the balance condition for it.

→



The required balanced condition is obtained when Potential at Junction (B) is equal to Potential (D)
ie:

$$V_B = V_D$$

$$\Delta V = V_B - V_D = 0$$

At this condition no current flows through terminal B-D ie: {null point}

$$I_S = 0$$

Now,

$$I_1 = I_3 \quad \text{--- } ①$$

$$I_2 = I_4 \quad \text{--- } ②$$

from Kirchhoff's law of potential

for loop ABDA

$$-I_1 P - I_S G + I_2 R = 0 \\ \Rightarrow I_2 R = I_1 P \quad \text{--- } ③$$

for loop BCDB,

$$-I_3 Q + I_S n + I_{Sg} = 0$$

④

$$I_3 Q = I_4 n \quad \text{--- } \cancel{④}$$

$$\Rightarrow I_{4n} = I_3 Q \quad \text{--- } \cancel{④}$$

Divide by $\cancel{④}$

use Σ

$$\frac{I_1 R}{I_{4n}} = \frac{I_3 Q P}{I_3 Q}$$

$$\boxed{\therefore \frac{P}{Q} = \frac{R}{n}}$$

3) State principle of potentiometer & write its one application.

→ Potentiometer is based on the principle that states "The potential drop across the length of a conductor having uniform cross-section and composition due to steady current is directly proportional to its length".
ie:

$$V \propto L$$

$$\text{or } V = kL$$

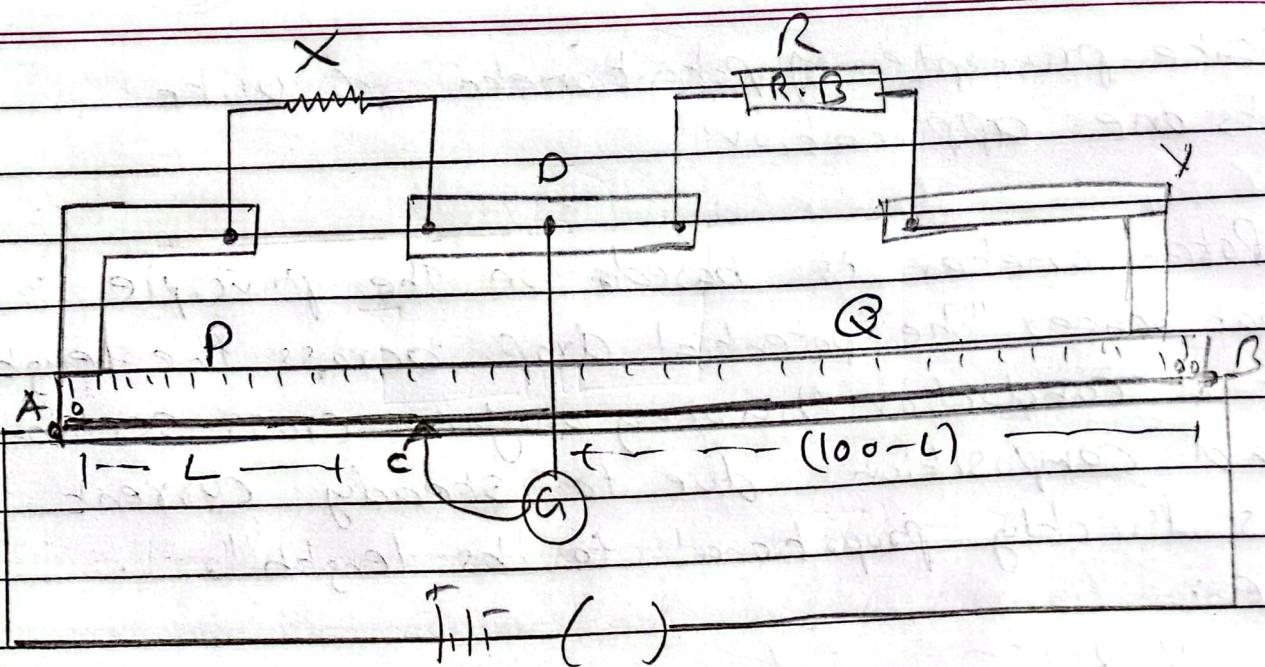
It one of the application is that it is used to find the internal resistance of the cell.

4) A voltmeter has a high resistance. Why?

→ A voltmeter has a high resistance because a voltmeter is connected \parallel to the circuit. With a very high resistance it draws no current towards it and hence which results precise and accurate reading.

5) How would you convince that the principle of measurement of resistance of wire by meter bridge is based on Wheatstone bridge principle? Explain.

$R \propto \frac{l}{A}$



Both meter bridge & Wheatstone bridge work on the principle of null point deflection.

At balancing condition i.e. (null point deflection) no current passes from the terminal CD. i.e. ($V_D - V_C = 0$). At this point Condition, ~~the~~ Current flowing through ~~H.F~~, AD and DX, AC and CB are equal
Hence the resistance are in ratio:

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

which is the same principle that Wheatstone bridge works on.

- Q) An ammeter is always connected in series. Why?
→ Ammeter is used to measure the amount of current in circuit. In series combination the current doesn't distribute into multiple path but gets accumulated in a same path which results more accurate current reading of current
- 7) The resistance of an ammeter must essentially be very small. Why?
→ Ammeter is used to measure current in the circuit.

$$I = \frac{V}{R}$$

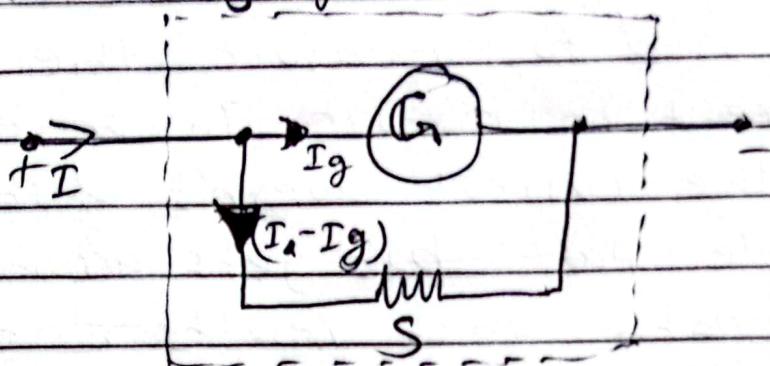
For a constant Potential (V)

$$I \propto \frac{1}{R}$$

Hence, with least resistance there is no fluctuation in the current or there is no interference in the current which results more accurate reading in the current without altering the current.

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8) Explain the significance of a shunt.



An ideal Ammeter Resistance ($R \rightarrow 0$),
 Shunt is connected in // to the galvanometer
 So that the (R_{leg}) is minimized. i.e. reduces
 the internal resistance of the galvanometer.

Also,

It distributes the total current coming towards
 the ~~galvanometer~~ galvanometer and prevents from overheating
 of galvanometer.

LONG QUESTIONS

1)

Kirchhoff's law are very useful in solving the complicated circuit connections:

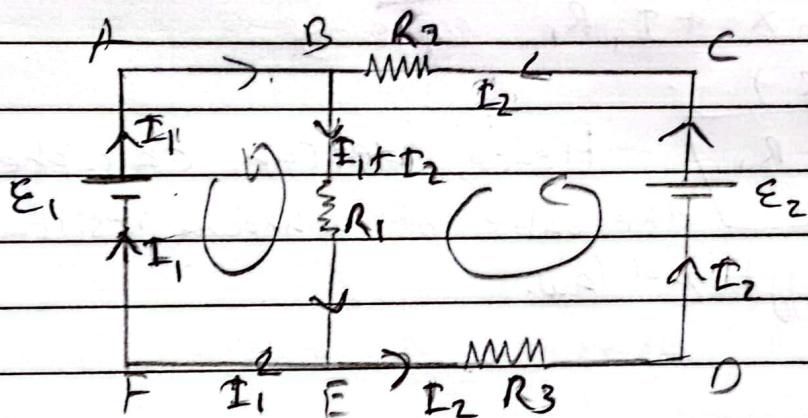
- a) What is the significance of the first law?
 → The first law is based on the conservation of charge which signifies that the current entering a junction is equal to the current leaving the junction.

b) State & explain the second law with circuit diagram.

→ The second law states that "around any closed circuit or loop the algebraic sum of emfs ($\sum E$) is equal to the total or sum of P.ds ($\sum IR$) around the loop.

$$\text{ie: } \sum E = \sum V$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum (E) = \sum (IR)$$



For loop ABF

$$\sum (E) = \sum (IR)$$

$$\text{Also or } \sum (E) + \sum (IR) = 0$$

Now,

$$0 = -E_1 + (I_1 + I_2)R_1$$

$$\Rightarrow E_1 = (I_1 + I_2)R_1 \Rightarrow \sum (E) = \sum (IR)$$

For Loop BCD

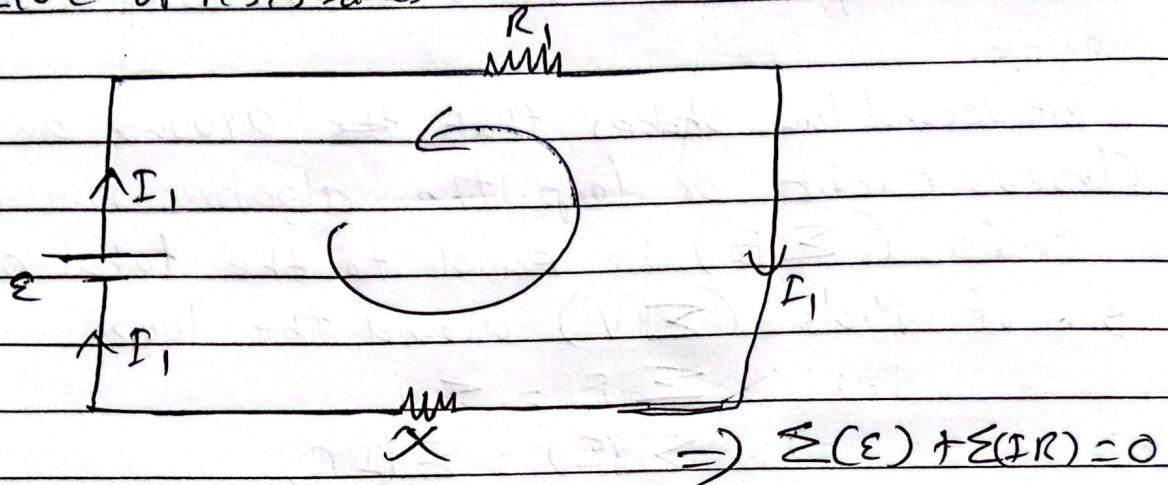
$$\sum (E) + \sum (IR) = 0$$

$$\text{or } 0 = E_2 - I_2R_2 - (I_1 + I_2)R_1 - I_2R_3$$

$$\Rightarrow E_2 = I_2R_2 + (I_1 + I_2)R_1 + I_2R_3 \quad \#$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum (E) = \sum (IR) \quad \#$$

c) Apply these law to calculate unknown value of resistance.



$$0 = -\epsilon + I_1 x + I_2 R_1$$

$$\epsilon = I_1(n + R_1)$$

$\therefore n = \frac{\epsilon}{I_1} - R_1$ Hence, we can calculate the value of unknown resistance through Kirchhoff's 2nd law.

d) What is meyer bridge? ~~What~~ Unlike the material used to construct meyer bridge.

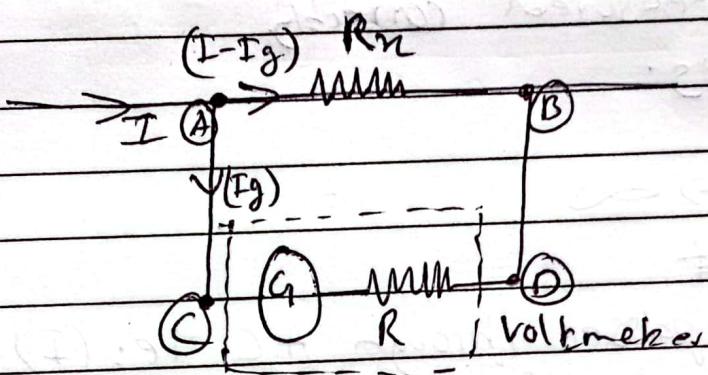
→ Meyer bridge is an electrical instrument that works on the principle of Wheatstone bridge and is used to find the unknown resistance.

The material of wire used is constantan or manganin which has very low temperature coefficient.

2) What is galvanometer? How do you convert into voltmeter? Why should the resistance of voltmeter be high?
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→ Galvanometer is an electrical electromagnetic device that detects the current in the circuit.

Conversion of galvanometer to voltmeter



For conversion of Galvanometer (G) to voltmeter (V)

• galvanometer is connected in parallel to the circuit with a multiplier (resistance, R) in series with galvanometer.

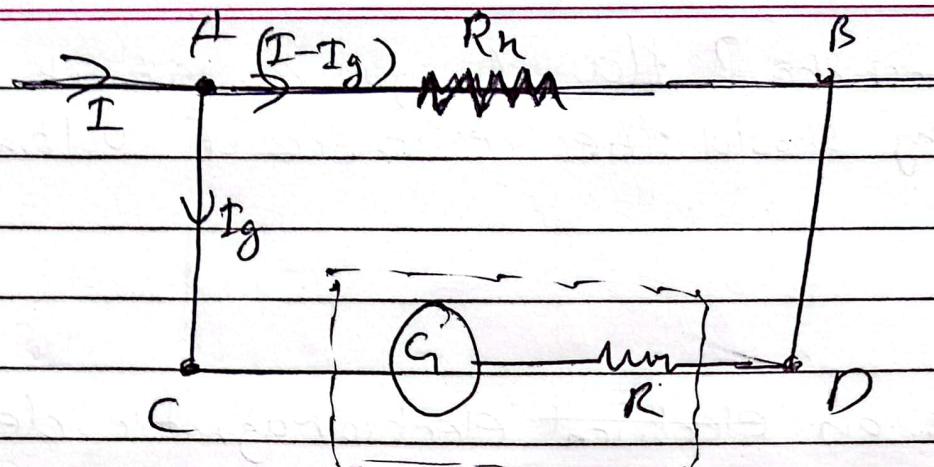
Let (g) be the internal resistance of the galvanometer
Then

$$V_{AB} = V_{CD}$$

$$\Rightarrow V_{CD} = Ig(R+g)$$

$$\left[\therefore R = \frac{V}{Ig} - g \right] \text{ is the required expression for}$$

the multiplier of resistance (R).



The resistance of a voltmeter should be high because it draws no current and hence the potential is measured correctly.

In above ~~fig~~ fig.

Assuming $R \rightarrow \infty$

Then the ~~current~~

Then no current passes through AC ie: (I)
 Current doesn't gets drawn towards voltmeter,
 because current moves towards path with lower
 resistance as $I \propto 1/R$ {at const(V)}

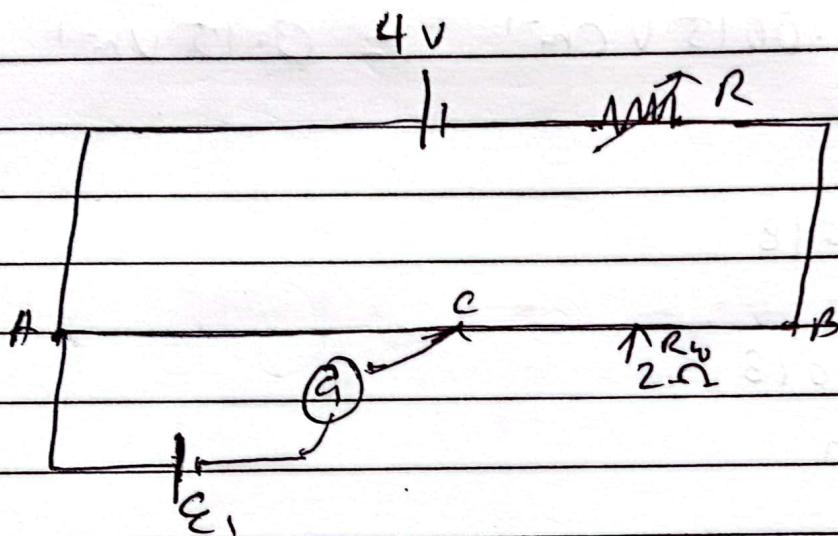
Hence

(V_{AB}) can be accurately measured.

Numericals.

A simple potentiometer circuit is setup as in Fig. Using a uniform wire AB, 1 m long which has resistance of 2Ω . The internal resistance of 4V battery is negligible. If the variable resistor (R) are given a value of 2.4Ω , what would be the length AC for null deflection.

Soln



$$V_{AC} = \epsilon_1$$

$$\frac{V}{L} \times n = \epsilon_1 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Now,

$$V = IR$$

$$4 = I(R + 2)$$

$$\therefore I = \frac{4}{(2.4 + 2)} = 0.91A$$

Now,

$$V_{AB} = I \times R_{AB} \Rightarrow 0.91 \times 2 \Rightarrow 1.82V$$

$$\frac{V_{AB}}{L} = \frac{1.82}{1}$$

Now Eqn @ (1) is:

$$1.82 \times n = \epsilon_1$$

$$\therefore n = \frac{\epsilon_1}{1.82}$$

$$\therefore n =$$

2) The total length of wire of a potentiometer is 10m. A potential gradient of 0.0015 V/cm is obtained when a steady current is passed through it.

Sol.

i) Distance of null point on connecting standard cell of 1.018 V.

\therefore

$$\text{Given } K = 0.0015 \text{ V cm}^{-1} = 0.15 \text{ V m}^{-1}$$

$$E_i = 1.018 \text{ V}$$

Now

$$\frac{V}{L} \propto n = 1.018$$

$$0.15 \times n = 1.018$$

$$\therefore n = 6.78 \text{ m}$$

(ii) Unknown P.d if null point is obtained at 940 cm.

Sol.

$$n = 940 \text{ cm} = 940 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m} = 9.4 \text{ m}$$

$$E_i = \frac{V}{L} \times n$$

$$E_i = 0.15 \times 9.4$$

$$\therefore E_i = 1.41 \text{ V}$$

(iii) Maximum P_d which can be measured by the d.c.v.c

$$E = \frac{V}{l} \times \text{total length of wire}$$

$$= 0.15 \times 10$$

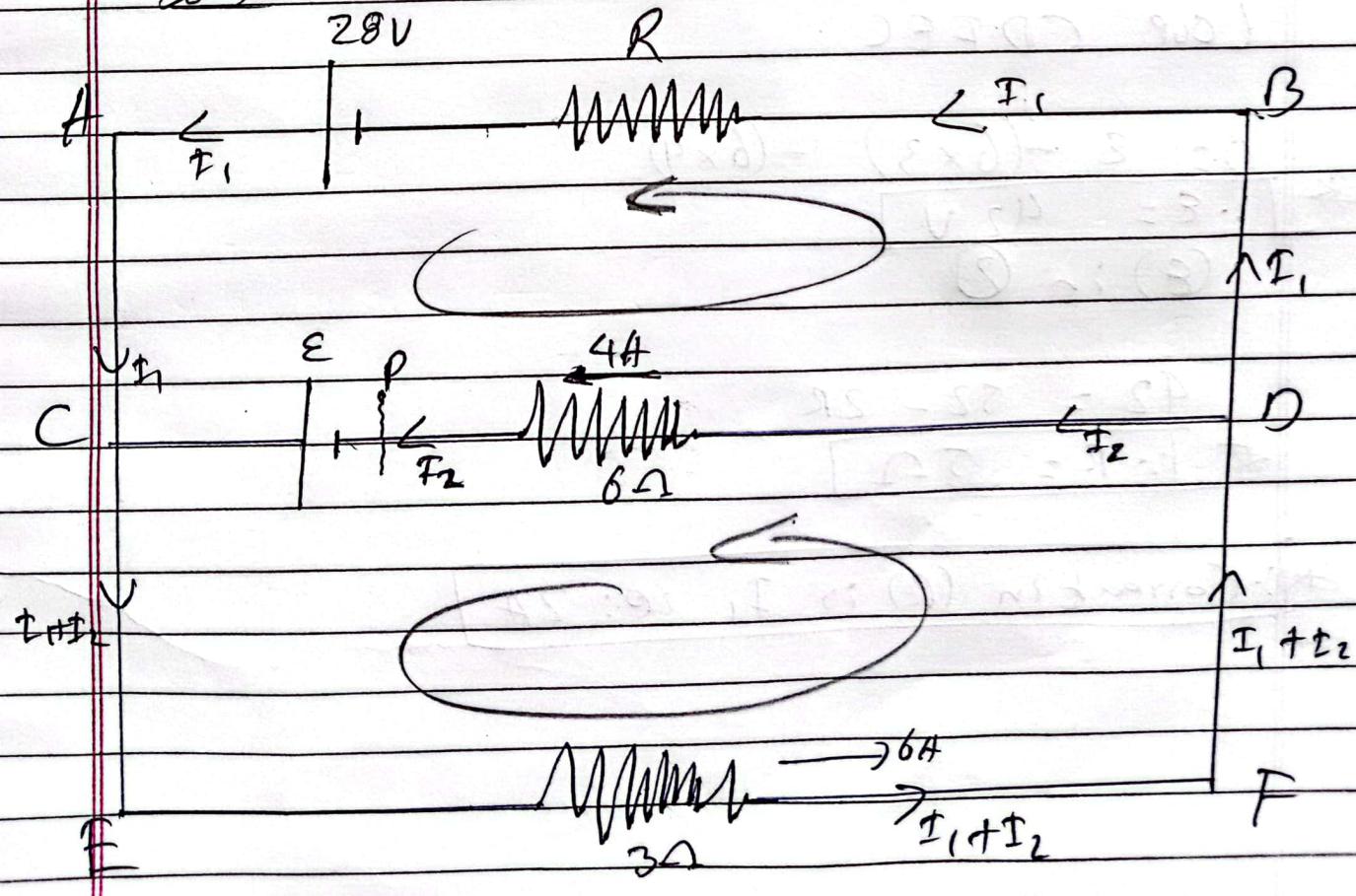
$$E = 1.5 V$$

3) In the adjacent circuit find:

current

- i) The ~~current~~ in resistor (R)
- ii) resistance (R)
- iii) unknown emf (E)
- iv) If the circuit is broken at P , current at (R)?

so b



In loop ABODA

$$\Omega = 28 - \varepsilon + (4 \times 6) - I_1 R$$

$$\varepsilon = 28 + 24 - I_1 R$$

$$\varepsilon = 52 - I_1 R \quad - \textcircled{1}$$

We know

$$I_1 + I_2 = 6A$$

$$I_1 = 6A - I_2$$

$$= 6 - 4 = 2A$$

$$\therefore I_1 = 2A$$

Now $\textcircled{1}$ is

$$\varepsilon = 52 - 2 \times R \quad - \textcircled{2}$$

Loop CDFFEC

$$\Omega = \varepsilon - (6 \times 3) - (6 \times 4)$$

$$\cancel{\therefore} \varepsilon = 42V$$

(ε) in $\textcircled{2}$

$$42 = 52 - 2R$$

$$\cancel{\therefore} R = 5\Omega$$

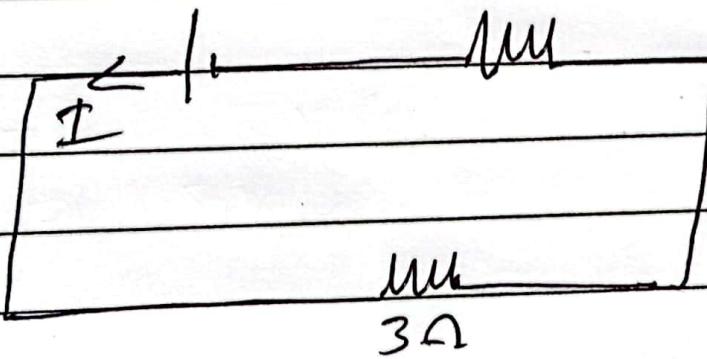
~~\therefore~~ Current in (R) is I_1 i.e: 2A

If circuit is broken at P, the current in R be:

Circuit 28

28V

$R = 5\Omega$



$$V = IR$$

$$28 = I (3 + 5)$$

$$\therefore I = \frac{28}{8} = 3.5 \text{ A}$$