

5 (a) (i) State Kirchhoff's second law.

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(ii) Kirchhoff's second law is linked to the conservation of a certain quantity. State this quantity.

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(b) The circuit shown in Fig. 5.1 is used to compare potential differences.

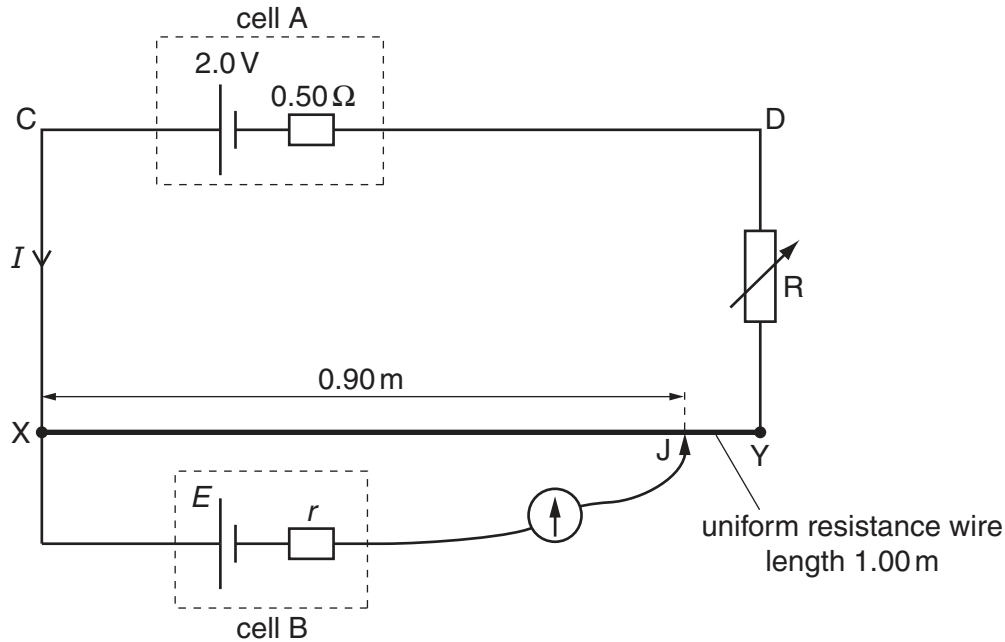


Fig. 5.1

The uniform resistance wire XY has length 1.00 m and resistance $4.0\ \Omega$. Cell A has e.m.f. 2.0 V and internal resistance $0.50\ \Omega$. The current through cell A is I . Cell B has e.m.f. E and internal resistance r .

The current through cell B is made zero when the movable connection J is adjusted so that the length of XJ is 0.90 m. The variable resistor R has resistance $2.5\ \Omega$.

(i) Apply Kirchhoff's second law to the circuit CXYDC to determine the current I .

$I =$ A [2]

- (ii) Calculate the potential difference across the length of wire XJ.

potential difference = V [2]

- (iii) Use your answer in (ii) to state the value of E .

$E =$ V [1]

- (iv) State why the value of the internal resistance of cell B is not required for the determination of E .

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