

- 4 (a) A wire has a diameter of 1.10 mm and is 98 m long.

The resistivity of copper is $1.1 \times 10^{-6} \Omega \text{ m}$.

- (i) Calculate the resistance of this wire.

resistance = Ω [1]

- (ii) When the wire hangs vertically, suspended from one end, it stretches slightly under its own weight.

State and explain what happens to the resistance of the wire.

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 [1]

- (b) The wire in (a) is shortened and 1% of its total length is used to form wire PQ.

- (i) Wire PQ is then connected to a cell of e.m.f. E_1 and internal resistance r in series with variable resistor R as shown in Fig. 4.1.

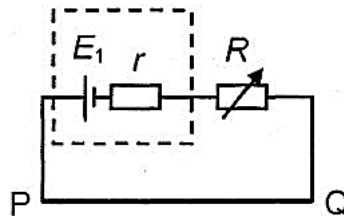


Fig. 4.1

Express the potential difference per unit length of PQ in terms of E_1 , r and R .

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- (ii) Fig. 4.2 shows a potentiometer circuit that can be used to determine the internal resistance r of cell E_1 . A standard cell of e.m.f. E_2 of negligible internal resistance is used in the branch circuit. E_1 and E_2 have e.m.f. of 12.0 V and 1.5 V respectively. When the resistance of the variable resistor is 1.0 Ω , the balanced length is obtained when the length of JQ is twice the length of PJ.

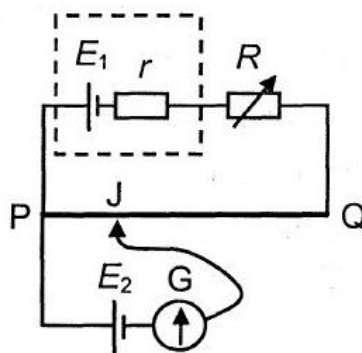


Fig. 4.2

1. Calculate the value of internal resistance, r .

$r = \dots\dots\dots \Omega$ [3]

2. The resistance of the variable resistor R is now increased. Suggest why the resistance R cannot be higher than a particular value if the potentiometer in Fig. 4.2 is to be able to determine the value of internal resistance r .

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[Total: 10]

