

- 4 A variable resistor R is connected between the terminals of a battery of e.m.f. E and internal resistance r , as shown in Fig. 4.1.

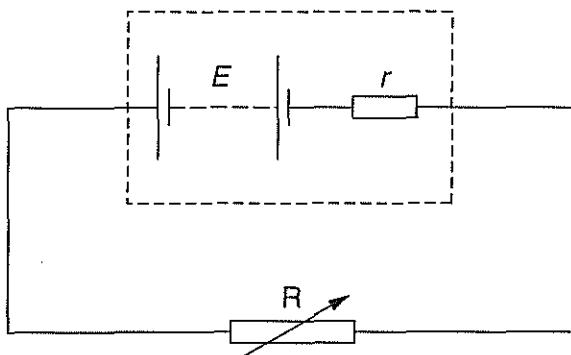


Fig. 4.1

The resistance of resistor R is varied.

The potential difference across R is V and the power dissipated in R is P .

The variation with V of P is shown in Fig. 4.2.

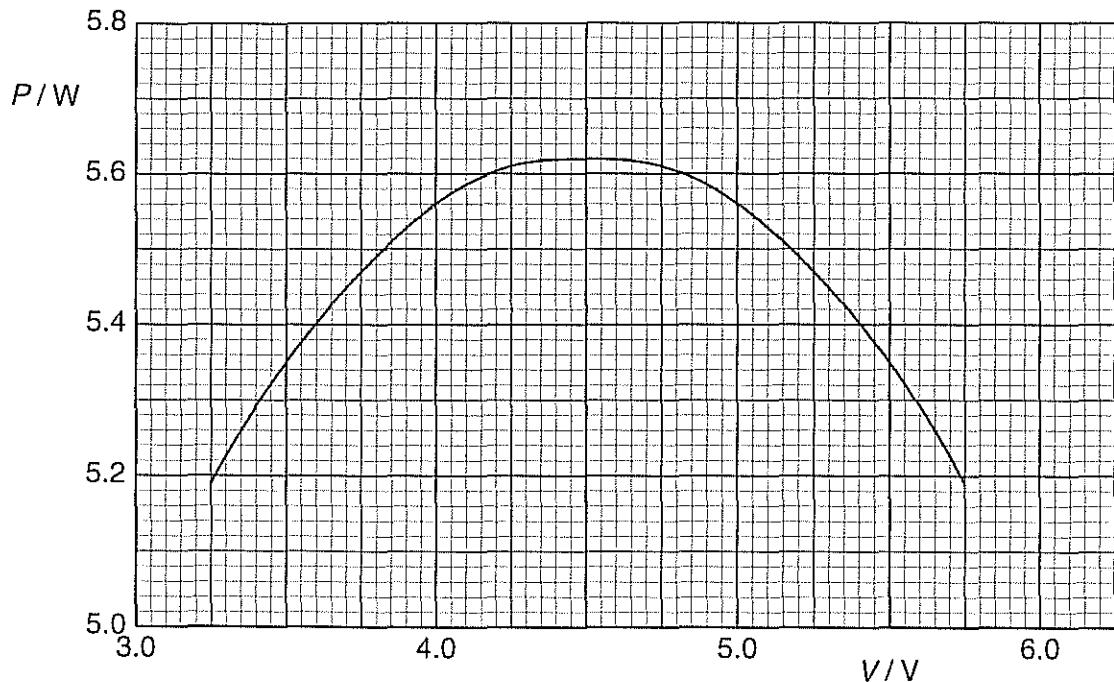


Fig. 4.2

- (a) For the maximum value of P , use Fig. 4.2 to
- calculate the current in the circuit,

current = A [2]

- (ii) show that the resistance of R is 3.6Ω .

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- (b) When R has resistance 2.03Ω , the current in the circuit is 1.60 A .
Use these data and your answers to (a) to determine the internal resistance r of the battery.

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