

Heating Effect of Electric Current.

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The phenomenon of production of heat in a resistor by the flow of an electric current through it is called heating effect of electric current or Joules heating effect.

According to Joule, the amount of heat produced in a resistor of resistance R is

$$\begin{aligned} H &\propto I^2 && \text{(square of current flowing through the conductor)} \\ &\propto R && \text{(resistance of the conductor)} \\ &\propto t && \text{(time for which current passes through conductor)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow H \propto I^2 R t$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{H = \frac{I^2 R t}{J}}$$

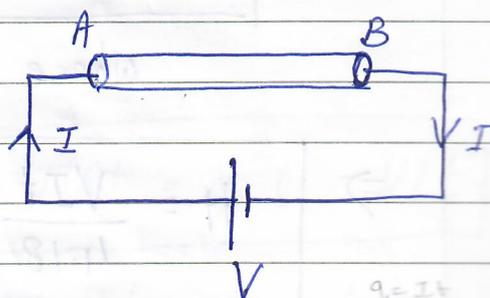
where J is joule's mechanical equivalent of heat.

Cause of heating effect of electric current \rightarrow When a pot. diff. is applied across a conductor, the free e^- s get drifted towards the +ve terminal of battery. While doing so, these electrons suffer frequent collisions with the +ve ions of the conductor and transfer their energy to the ions. Thus avg. K.E. of the ions increases hence temp. of the conductor also increases.

In other words, electrical energy of source of emf get converted into heat energy.

Expression for heat produced by electric current

Consider a conductor AB of resistance R , connected to a battery of pot. diff. V volts. If I is the current flowing through the resistor, then charge flow through the conductor in time t is



$$q = It \quad \text{--- } \textcircled{1}$$

Thus work done by the battery in sending q from A to B is.

$$W = q(V_B - V_A) \quad \left\{ \because \frac{W_{AB}}{q_0} = \dots \right.$$

$$\Rightarrow W = qV$$

$$W = VIt \quad (\text{using } Q)$$

This work done should appear in the form of gain in K.E. of the free electrons. But we know e^- s flow through the conductor with constant velocity. It means this entire energy is handed by e^- s to the ions of the conductor doing ~~work~~ and appears in the form of heat in the conductor.

Thus heat produced

~~$$H = I^2 R t$$~~
~~$$H = \frac{V^2 t}{R}$$~~

or

$$H = VIt \text{ joules}$$

$$H = I^2 R t \text{ joules}$$

$$H = \frac{V^2 t}{R}$$

$$\text{or } H = \frac{VIt}{4.18} = \frac{I^2 R t}{4.18} = \frac{V^2 t}{4.18 R} \text{ cal.}$$

where $4.18 = 1 \text{ joule cal}^{-1}$

$$\Rightarrow H = \frac{VIt}{4.18} \text{ cal} = \frac{I^2 R t}{4.18} \text{ cal} = \frac{V^2 t}{4.18 R} \text{ cal}$$

Important \Rightarrow $H \propto R$ if I is constant $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{in series} \\ \text{in parallel} \end{array} \right.$
 and $H \propto \frac{1}{R}$ if V is constant

Electric power \rightarrow The rate at which work is done by a source of emf (battery) in maintaining an electric current through a circuit is called electric power of the circuit.

$$\text{i.e. } P = \frac{W}{t} = \frac{VIt}{t} = VI$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{P = VI} \quad \text{or} \quad \boxed{P = I^2 R} \quad \text{or} \quad \boxed{P = \frac{V^2}{R}}$$

Units:- SI unit is watt.

if $V = 1 \text{ Volt}$ and $I = 1 \text{ Amp}$.

then $P = 1 \text{ VA} = 1 \text{ Watt}$.

Thus power is said to be 1 watt, if 1A of current flows through the circuit on applying a pot. diff. of 1 Volt.

Bigger unit

$$1 \text{ KW} = 1000 \text{ watt.}$$

$$1 \text{ MW} = 10^6 \text{ watt.}$$

Commercial Unit

$$1 \text{ Horse Power} = 746 \text{ watt.}$$

Electric Energy \rightarrow

The total workdone by a source of emf in maintaining electric current through a circuit is called electric energy.

$$\text{i.e. } E = W = VIt$$

$$\text{or } \boxed{E = Pt.} \quad \text{or} \quad \boxed{E = I^2 R t = \frac{V^2}{R} t = VIt.}$$

Thus electrical energy depends upon power of electrical appliance used and the time for which it is used.

Unit \rightarrow

$$E = Pt$$

$$= \text{watt} \cdot \text{sec.}$$

$$= \text{Volt Amp sec.}$$

Commercial unit of electric energy \rightarrow

The commercial or Board of Trade (BOT) unit of electrical energy is Kwhours. (unit used by electricity board for measuring the energy consumed by the home appliances)

Energy consumed ~~by an~~ is said to be 1 Kilo watt hour (Kwh) if an appliance of power 1 Kilo watt runs for an hour.

$$1 \text{ Kwh} = 1 \text{ Kwatt} \times 1 \text{ hour.}$$

$$= 1000 \text{ watt} \times 3600 \text{ sec.}$$

$$= 3.6 \times 10^6 \text{ watt sec.}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{1 \text{ Kwh} = 3.6 \times 10^6 \text{ joules.}}$$

Note \rightarrow

$$P = VI$$

$$\text{or } P = \frac{V^2}{R} \quad \text{i.e. } P \propto \frac{1}{R} \quad \text{if voltage is constant}$$

$$\text{or } P = I^2 R \quad \text{i.e. } P \propto R \quad \text{if current is constant}$$

Generally the home appliances are manufactured for constant supply of voltage (i.e. 220V in India is supplied to the houses by the electricity board)

Thus for home appliances.

$$\text{classmate } P = \frac{V^2}{R} \quad \text{i.e. } P \propto \frac{1}{R}$$

ie appliance of higher power (wattage) will have smaller value of resistance. and vice versa.

ie a bulb of ~~200~~ power 200W will have lesser resistance than a bulb of power 100W.

And since home appliances are connected in || in a house these for 200W bulb will draw more current than 100W bulb.

Power consumed by a series combination of appliances \rightarrow

Consider a series combination of 3 bulbs of powers P_1, P_2 & P_3 manufactured for applied voltage V volts (220Volts say)

Thus

$$R_1 = \frac{V^2}{P_1} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$R_2 = \frac{V^2}{P_2} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$R_3 = \frac{V^2}{P_3} \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

if R, P_{eff} effective resistance ^{power} of the combination.

$$\text{The } R = \frac{V^2}{P} \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

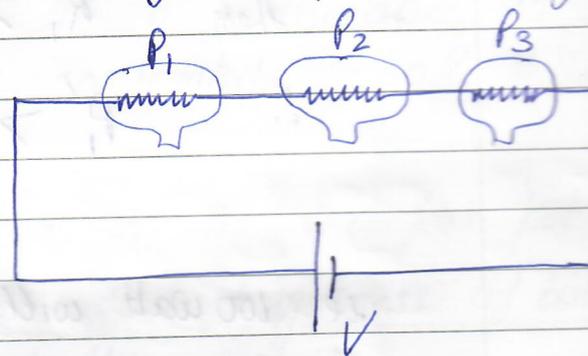
$$\text{Also } R = R_1 + R_2 + R_3$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{V^2}{P} = \frac{V^2}{P_1} + \frac{V^2}{P_2} + \frac{V^2}{P_3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{1}{P} = \frac{1}{P_1} + \frac{1}{P_2} + \frac{1}{P_3}}$$

classmate

ie eff. power consumed will be less than least power bulb connected in series.



And current flowing through each bulb will be

$$I = \frac{V}{R} = \frac{V}{R_1 + R_2 + R_3}$$

The brightness of the bulbs will depend upon power dissipated by each bulb and is given as

$$P_1' = I^2 R_1, \quad P_2' = I^2 R_2, \quad P_3' = I^2 R_3$$

since for a given voltage $R \propto \frac{1}{P}$

$$\therefore P_1 < P_2 < P_3 \quad (\text{eg } 100\text{W} < 200\text{W})$$

$$\text{then } R_1 > R_2 > R_3 \quad (\text{ie } R_{100} > R_{200} > \dots)$$

$$\therefore P_1' > P_2' > P_3' \quad (\text{ie brightness or power dissipated of } 100\text{W} > 200\text{W} > \dots)$$

ie. 100 watt will glow brighter of all three connected in series.

Power consumed by a || combination \rightarrow

Consider three bulbs of power P_1, P_2 so that $P_1 < P_2 < P_3$ are connected in || across battery of pot. diff. V volts.

Since power is rated for constant applied pot. V (220V volts say)

$$\therefore R_1 = \frac{V^2}{P_1} \quad \text{--- ①}$$

$$R_2 = \frac{V^2}{P_2} \quad \text{--- ②}$$

$$\text{classmate } R_3 = \frac{V^2}{P_3} \quad \text{--- ③}$$

Note here $P_1 < P_2 < P_3$
 $\therefore R_1 > R_2 > R_3$
 DATE $I_1 < I_2 < I_3$

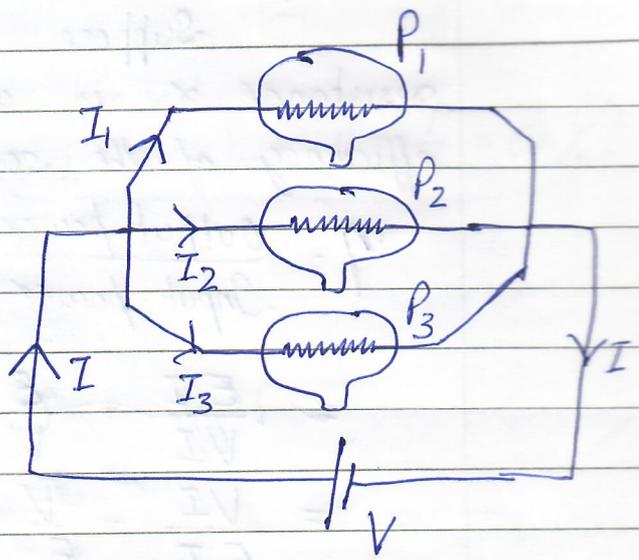
If R and P are the effective resistance and power of the || combination then

$$R = \frac{V^2}{P} \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

also $\frac{1}{R} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{P}{V^2} = \frac{P_1}{V^2} + \frac{P_2}{V^2} + \frac{P_3}{V^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{P = P_1 + P_2 + P_3}$$



i.e. effective power consumed in the || combination is equal to sum of the powers consumed by all three connected in ||

Since bulbs are connected in || therefore pot. diff. across each is same. Thus brightness of bulbs or power dissipated by the bulbs will be.

$$P_1' = \frac{V^2}{R_1}, \quad P_2' = \frac{V^2}{R_2} \quad \text{and} \quad P_3' = \frac{V^2}{R_3}$$

comparing with (1), (2) and (3)

$$P_1' = P_1, \quad P_2' = P_2 \quad \text{and} \quad P_3' = P_3$$

i.e. power dissipated = power rated

Hence ~~but~~ 100w bulb having higher value of resistance will glow lesser than 500 watt bulb.

i.e. their brightness will be as per their rated power.

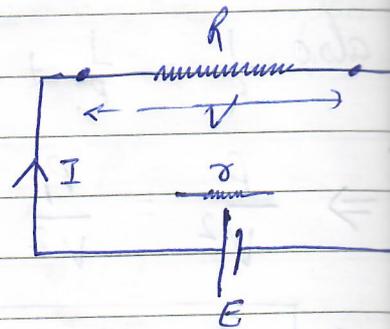
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* **Efficiency of a source of EMF** \rightarrow It is d/d the ratio of output power to the input power.

Suppose a source of emf E and internal resistance r is connected to a load resistance R . Efficiency of the source is

$$\eta = \frac{\text{Output power}}{\text{Input power}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \eta &= \frac{EI}{VI} = \frac{E}{V} = \frac{IR}{I(R+r)} \\ &= \frac{VI}{EI} = \frac{V}{E} = \frac{IR}{I(R+r)} \end{aligned}$$



$$\boxed{\eta = \frac{R}{R+r}}$$

* **Maximum power theorem** \rightarrow It states that output of the source is maximum, when external resistance of the circuit is equal to the internal resistance of the source.

$$\text{i.e. } P_{\text{out}} = VI = I^2 R = \text{Max. when } R = r.$$

Proof \rightarrow

Consider a source of emf E and int. res. r is connected to ext. load resistance R .

$$\text{Thus } E = IR + Ir = I(R+r)$$

$$\therefore I = \frac{E}{R+r} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Thus output power of the device will be

$$P = VI = I^2 R = \frac{E^2}{(R+r)^2} \cdot R \quad \text{--- (2) [using (1)]}$$

$$P = \frac{E^2 R}{(R-r)^2 + 4Rr}$$

clearly P will be max,
when $(R-r)^2 = 0$

(if denominator is minimum)

$\Rightarrow \boxed{R = r}$

hence proved.

And for max power $\eta = \frac{r}{r+r}$ { $\because R=r$ } $\Rightarrow \eta = \frac{1}{2} = 50\%$
from eqn no. (2)

$$P_{max} = \frac{E^2 r}{(r+r)^2} = \frac{E^2 r}{4r^2}$$

$\Rightarrow \boxed{P_{max} = \frac{E^2}{4r}}$

(1)

Note 1- This is the expression for max power of device in which entire ~~power is diss~~ electrical energy is converted into heat. i.e. pure resistive device eg. bulb or heater etc.

* **Efficiency of an electric device** \rightarrow (say electric motor) \rightarrow It is defd the ratio of output power to the input power.

In an electric motor, power supplied to it is used in two ways.

- (1) in performing the mechanical work.
- (2) power lost in the form of heat.

Thus if efficiency,

$$\eta = \frac{\text{Output power}}{\text{Input power}} = \frac{\text{Output mechanical power}}{\text{Input electric power}}$$

$$= \frac{\text{Mech. power}}{\text{Mech. power} + \text{Heat-loss}}$$

* **Ques.** Show that out mech. power of the source is max when current drawn by the motor is $E/2r$.

Ans. We know that
classmate $\text{Input mech. power} = \text{Output power} + \text{Heat loss}$
Power lost as heat

\therefore Output mech. power = Input mech. power $\frac{\text{power}}{\text{Heat}}$

$$\Rightarrow P = EI - I^2 r$$

we know that P is max, when

$$\frac{dP}{dI} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow E - 2Ir = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2Ir = E$$

$$I = \frac{E}{2r}$$

$$\text{or } \boxed{I = \frac{E}{2r}}$$

hence proved

* Ques b \Rightarrow Show that output power of electro is max when back emf is one half source emf, provided resistance of the is negligible.

Ans ~~Let E is emf of the source of conn~~

Let a source of emf E is connected motor whose resistance $R \approx 0$. If E' is back emf produced. Then,

$$\text{Net emf} = E - E'$$

$$\text{and Net resistance} = R + r = r \quad \{ \}$$

\therefore Current drawn by the motor

$$I = \frac{\text{Net emf}}{\text{Net resistance}} = \frac{E - E'}{r} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Now, we know that

classmate Output power = Input power - power lost

$$\Rightarrow P = EI - I^2 r$$

Also output power will be max if

$$I = \frac{E}{2r} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

from (1) and (2)

$$\frac{E - E'}{r} = \frac{E}{2r}$$

$$\Rightarrow E - E' = \frac{E}{2}$$

$$\therefore E' = E - \frac{E}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{E' = \frac{E}{2}} \quad \text{--- (B) hence proved.}$$

* Note 1 - Both Eqn A and eqn B ~~are~~ gives the condition for max. output power, but the difference is that eqn A is pure resistive circuit for which entire energy appears in the form of heat whereas eqn B is for non passive resistor (eg electric motor) in which electric energy mainly changes into mech. work and remaining part appears in the form of heat.

Applications of Heating effects of current \Rightarrow

- ① All heating devices like heaters, toaster, iron, geyser etc, work on the heating effect of current.
- ② In incandescent bulb heat produced in the filament of bulb appears in the form of light.

3. A fuse wire of high resistivity and low melting point is connected in series with the live supply to protect costly electric devices from damage.

4. A large amount of power gets wasted, ^{in the form of} during transmission through cables from one place to another. This heat loss is given as

$$H = I^2 R t$$

To reduce heat loss either R or I has to be reduced. But reducing R is a costly affair as it requires wires of large area of cross-section. Thus by using step up transformers, voltage is increased and hence current is reduced to a large extent.

Kirchhoff's first law or junction rule \rightarrow

According to Kirchhoff's first law or junction rule, the algebraic sum of currents at any junction is equal to zero.

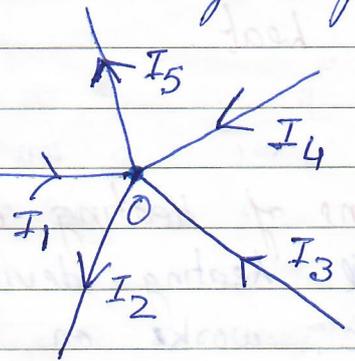
Or, the sum of current entering a junction is equal to the sum of currents leaving the junction.

$$\text{i.e. } I_1 + (-I_2) + I_3 + I_4 + (-I_5) = 0$$

\therefore By taking the sign convention that currents towards the junction/point are taken as +ve and away from the junction are taken as -ve)

$$\Rightarrow I_1 + I_3 + I_4 = I_2 + I_5$$

\Rightarrow Current entering junction = Currents leaving junction.

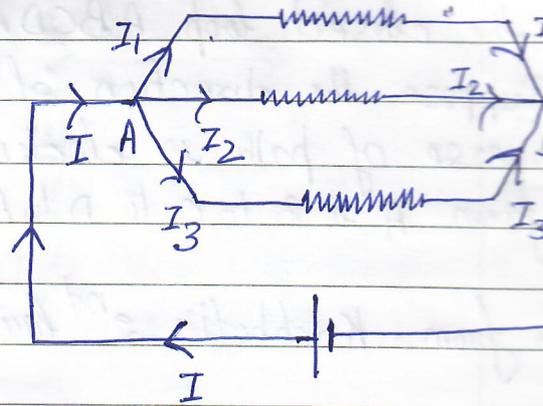


Even in the circuit of resistance in parallel. By applying the junction rule at junction A we have

$$I = I_1 + I_2 + I_3$$

and even at junction B

$$I_1 + I_2 + I_3 = I$$



Kirchhoff second law or Loop law: →

According to Kirchhoff's second law, the algebraic sum of emfs in a closed loop is equal to the sum of products of resistances and respective values of currents flowing through them.

Mathematically

$$\sum E = \sum IR$$

$$\text{or } \sum \Delta V = 0$$

While applying the Kirchhoff's 2nd law we use following sign conventions.

First of all select the direction of traversal path i.e. either clockwise or anticlockwise.

① While traversing the path if -ve terminal of battery is encountered first then emf is as +ve, otherwise -ve.

② If the direction of flow of current is same that of direction of traverse of path then current is taken as +ve, otherwise -ve.

Illustration

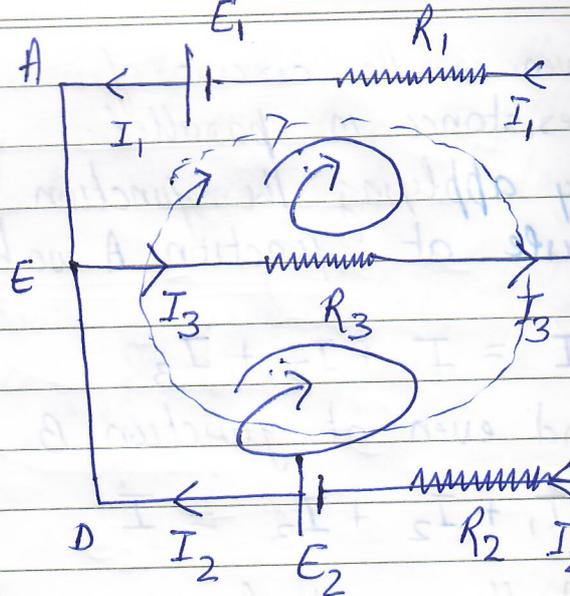
Consider a closed loop ABCDA shown.

For the closed loop ABCDAH A
 Suppose the direction of
 traverse of path is clockwise
 i.e. from A to B to C to D to A.

thus from Kirchhoff's 2nd law

$$-E_1 + E_2 = -I_1 R_1 + I_2 R_2$$

$$\text{or } E_2 - E_1 = I_2 R_2 - I_1 R_1$$



||y for closed loop ABFEA
 i.e. from A to B to F to E to A.

$$-E_1 = -I_1 R_1 - I_3 R_3$$

$$\text{or } E_1 = I_1 R_1 + I_3 R_3$$

||y for closed loop EFCDE
 i.e. from E to F to C to D to E

$$E_2 = I_3 R_3 + I_2 R_2$$

We can have the same results if we select anticlockwise direction of traverse of path.

Potentiometer \rightarrow Potentiometer is a device used to measure emf or potential difference of a cell.

Principle \rightarrow Potentiometer is based on the principle that when constant current flows a wire of uniform area of cross-section then potential drop across any portion of the wire is directly proportional to the length of that portion.

We know that

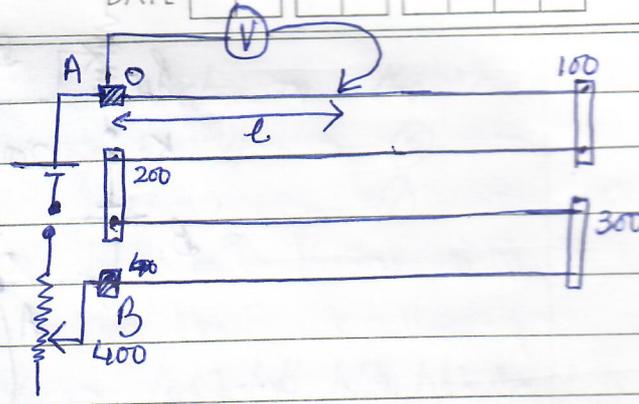
$$V = IR$$

$$\Rightarrow V = I \frac{\rho l}{A}$$

for I, A to be const.

$$V = \text{Const } l$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{V \propto l}$$



Construction \rightarrow potentiometer consist of long wire ^{AB} of uniform area of cross-section fixed on a wooden board as shown. A metre scale is fixed \parallel to wire to measure the length of wire used. A constant current is passed through the wire with the help of battery and rheostat. The potential of battery gradually falls from A to B.

In a potentiometer the fall of potential per distance ~~is const.~~ (i.e. potential gradient) is const.

We know that

$$V = \text{Const} \times l$$

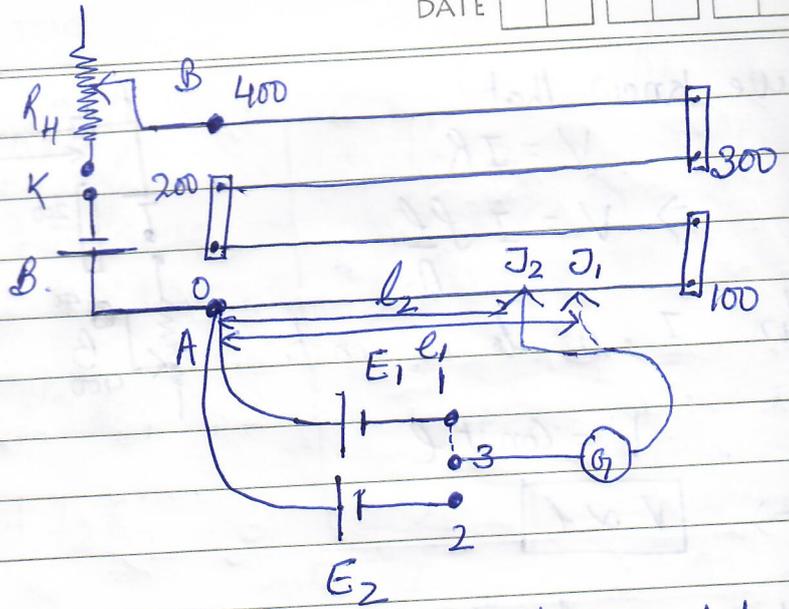
$$\Rightarrow \frac{V}{l} = \text{Const}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Potential Gradient} = \text{Const.}$$

Applications of Potentiometer \rightarrow

① Comparison of emfs of two primary cells \rightarrow

In order to compare the emfs of the two primary cell, we connect the instr. as shown in the circuit diagram.



A const. current is passed through the potentiometer wire AB with the help of Battery B, key K and rheostat R_H .

Now bring the 1st cell of emf in the circuit by inserting the key b/w points 1 and 2 and slide the jockey on the potentiometer wire to find out the balance point i.e zero reading on the galvanometer. Let it comes at point J_1 that length $AJ_1 = l_1$

Since there is no current in the arm
 \therefore Pot. of positive term. of cell $E_1 =$ Pot. of pt. A
 and " " " " " " " " $E_1 =$ Pot. of pt J_1
 Subtract ② from ①
 Difference in pot. b/w the two terminals = Diff. in pot. b/w of E_1

$$\text{emf of the cells } E_1 = Kl_1 \quad \text{--- ③}$$

Now remove the key from ① and insert b/w 2 and 3 to bring the cell E_2 in circuit. Again slide the jockey to find the balance point. Let it comes at point J_2 , so that

$$AJ_2 = l_2$$

Since there is no current in the arm AB
 ∴ Pot. of +ve term. of $E_2 = \text{Pot. of pt. A}$ — (5)
 " " -ve " " $E_2 =$ " " pt. J_2 — (6)
 (5) - (6) gives.

Pot. diff. b/w the two terminals of $E_2 = \text{Pot diff. b/w pt. A and } J_2$
 $\Rightarrow \text{emf of cell } E_2 = Kl_2$ — (7)

Dividing (3) by (7)

$$\frac{E_1}{E_2} = \frac{Kl_1}{Kl_2}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{E_1}{E_2} = \frac{l_1}{l_2}}$$

Knowing the values of l_1 and l_2 , the emf of the two cells can be compared.

② Determination of internal resistance of the cell! →

Arrange the circuit as shown in the diagram. A const. current is passed through the potentiometer wire AB with the help of battery B, key and rheostat Rh.

Keep the key K_1 open and slide the jockey on the potentiometer wire to find the balance point. Let it come at point J_1 so that length $AJ_1 = l_1$.

Since there is no current in the arm AEG

Pot. of +ve term. of cell $E = \text{Pot. of pt. A}$ — (1)

" " -ve " " $E = \text{Pot. of pt. } J_1$ — (2)

(1) - (2) gives.

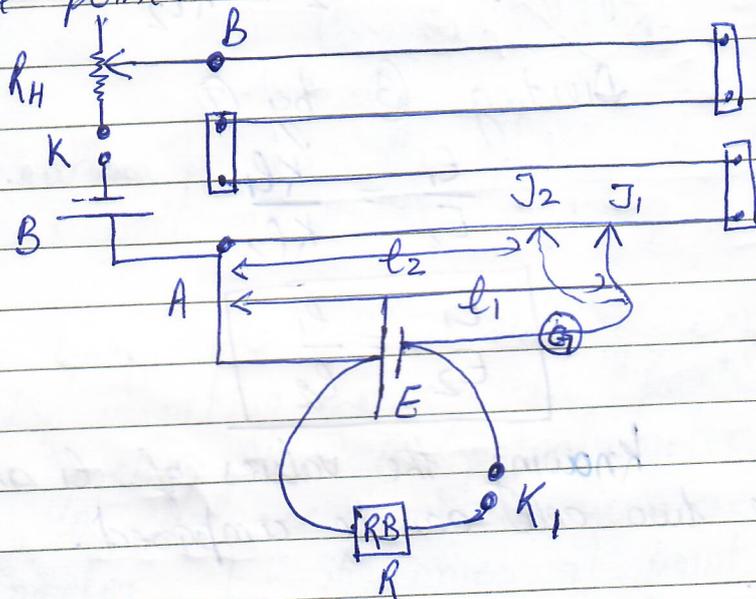
Diff. in pot. b/w the two terminals of cell $E = \text{Diff. in pot. b/w pt. A and } J_1$

$$\Rightarrow E = Kl_1 \quad (3)$$

\because $V \propto l$ and key K_1 open so no current drawn from the cell

Now insert the key K_1 and apply suitable resistance R with the help of resistance box R_B and again slide the jockey on the potentiometer wire to find out the balance point.

Let it come at J_2 so that $AJ_2 = l_2$



Since there is no current in the arm $A'E$
 \therefore Pot. of +ve term. of $E =$ Pot. of pt A
 and " " -ve " " $E =$ " " " J_2
 \therefore Pot. diff. b/w pt two terminals of cell $E =$ Pot diff. b/w pt. A and J_2

$$\Rightarrow V = Kl_2 \quad (4)$$

\because key K_1 is closed and current flows from the loop E

Now we know that internal resistance of the cell

$$r = \left(\frac{E}{V} - 1 \right) R$$

$$\Rightarrow r = \left(\frac{Kl_1}{Kl_2} - 1 \right) R$$

using (3)

$$\Rightarrow r = \left(\frac{l_1}{l_2} - 1 \right) R$$

Knowing the values of l_1 , l_2 and R (resistance removed from the resistance box.) internal resistance of the cell can be calculated.

Superiority of a potentiometer to a voltmeter \rightarrow Potentiometer is a null method device. At null point or balance point no current is drawn from the cell. Thus it can measure the emf of the cell.

Whereas a voltmeter draws small current for its operation. Thus it is capable of measuring only the Pot. Diff. ~~of the~~ b/w two terminals of the cell or b/w two points.

Moreover a potentiometer is much more sensitive than a voltmeter and its sensitivity can further be increased by using long wire potentiometers or by decreasing the pot. gradient (i.e. pot. drop per unit length) and pot. gradient for a given potentiometer can be reduced by lowering the value of current passed through the wire.

Wheatstone Bridge \rightarrow It is an arrangement of four resistances connected to each other so as to form a bridge. In wheatstone bridge, one unknown resistance can be calculated if the value of other three resistances is known to us.

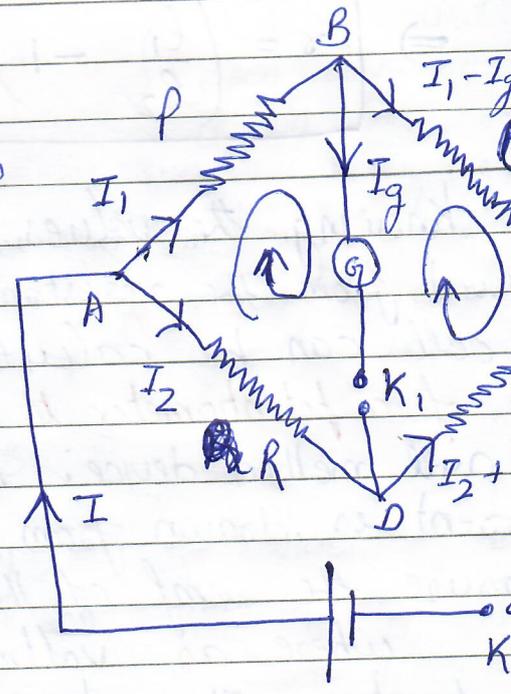
Principle \rightarrow According to wheatstone bridge principle when no current flows through the galvanometer then bridge is said to be in balanced state. And at ~~the~~ balanced state,

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

Proof is

Consider a wheatstone bridge consisting of four resistances P, Q, R and S connected to a battery and key as shown.

The various currents flowing through the resistance can be determined using Kirchhoff's first law.



Applying Kirchhoff's second law in closed loop

$$I_1 P + I_g G - I_2 R = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Similarly for closed loop BCDD.

$$(I_1 - I_g) Q - (I_2 + I_g) S - I_g G = 0 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

For balance state of the bridge, $I_g = 0$
 thus - eqn (1) and (2) becomes

$$I_1 P - I_2 R = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad I_1 P = I_2 R \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$$I_1 Q - I_2 S = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad I_1 Q = I_2 S \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

Dividing (3) by (4) we get

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

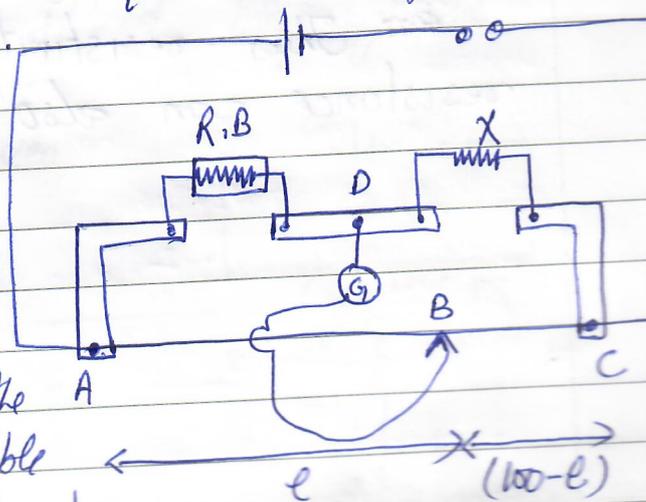
Hence proved.

Meter Bridge or Slide Wire Bridge \rightarrow Slide wire bridge is the

practical application of wheatstone bridge.

In slide wire bridge, a one meter long manganin wire is fixed on the wooden board. A resistance box [RB] and unknown resistance X are attached b/w the two gaps of the copper strip as shown. A constant current is passed through the circuit with the help of a battery.

A G and a jockey are attached b/w point D and B as shown.



~~Now remove a suitable resistance from~~

Now remove a key from the RB to introduce a suitable resistance R in the first gap and slide a jockey on the potentiometer wire to find out the balance point. Let it comes at point B so that

$AB = l \quad \therefore BC = 100 - l$

~~If γ is the resistance per unit length~~
Since bridge is in balanced state.

$$\therefore \frac{l\gamma}{(100-l)\gamma} = \frac{R}{X}$$

where γ is resistance per unit length of wire.

$$\Rightarrow X = \frac{(100-l)R}{l}$$

knowing the value of balancing length l , from R Box R, the value of unknown X can be calculated.

Also $X = \rho \frac{l'}{A'}$ [$R = \rho \frac{l}{A}$]

where l' , A' are the length and area of section of the wire of unknown resistance

$$\therefore \rho = \frac{X A'}{l'}$$

~~an~~ Thus resistivity of the material of resistance can also be determined.