

# CHAPTER-3

## Current Electricity

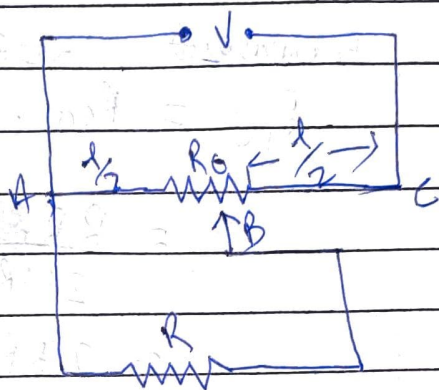
Q-1 Ans. ~~the~~

Given that,  
The sliding contact is  
the middle of the  
potentiometer wire

So,  
lets consider the  
left length of the wire  
to be  $l$ .

So the sliding contact is in the middle of the  
wire.

The length will be  $AB = BC = \frac{l}{2}$



Now,

As the resistance is directly proportional to the  
length;

$$R = \frac{\rho l}{A}, \Rightarrow R \propto l$$

So, According to the length the corresponding  
resistance will be

$$R_{AB} = \frac{R_0}{2} \quad \& \quad R_{BC} = \frac{R_0}{2}$$

The resistance  $R$  is in parallel with resistance  
 $R_{AB}$  of the potentiometer

So,

Equivalent resistance of  $R$  &  $R_{AB}$  is

$$R_{eq} = \frac{R \times R_{AB}}{R + R_{AB}} = \frac{R \times \frac{R_0}{2}}{R + \frac{R_0}{2}} = \frac{R R_0}{2R + R_0}$$

The equivalent resistance  $R_{eq}$  will be in series with resistance  $R_{BC}$ .

So,

Equivalent resistance of ~~the~~  $R_{eq}$  &  $R_{BC}$  is

$$R_{net} = R_{eq} + R_{BC}$$

$$= \frac{RR_0}{2R+R_0} + \frac{R_0}{2}$$

$$= \frac{2RR_0 + R_0(2R+R_0)}{2(2R+R_0)}$$

$$= \frac{2RR_0 + 2RR_0 + R_0^2}{2(2R+R_0)}$$

$$= \frac{4RR_0 + R_0^2}{2(2R+R_0)}$$

∴ The Expression for the current will be

$$I = \frac{V}{R} \quad I = \frac{V}{R_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow I = \frac{V}{\frac{4RR_0 + R_0^2}{2(2R+R_0)}} = \frac{2V(2R+R_0)}{4RR_0 + R_0^2}$$

Here, Current Flowing through the potentiometer is obtained.

Hence the expression for voltage across R will be:

$$V_0 = IR_{eq}$$



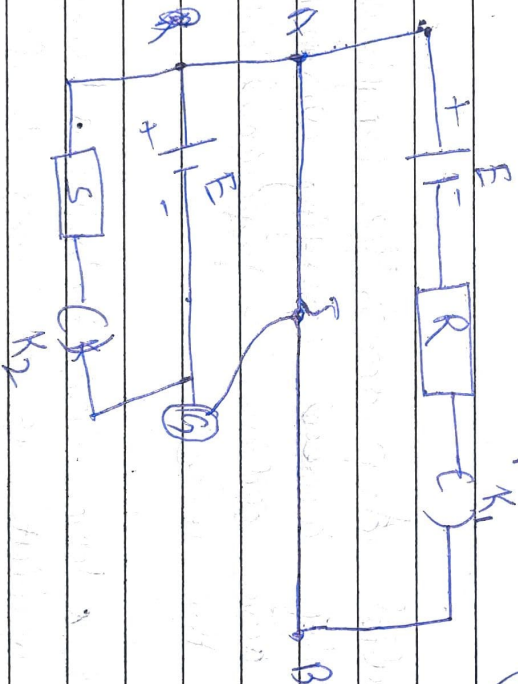
$$= \frac{2V(2R+R_0)}{4RR_0+R_0^2} \times \frac{RR_0}{2R+R_0}$$

$$= \frac{2V}{R_0(4R+R_0)} \times RR_0$$

$$\Rightarrow V_B = \frac{2VR}{4R+R_0}$$

Q2. Ans (a) X increase the value of resistance R in the setup by keeping the ~~setup~~ by key K1 closed.

So, as the resistance R in the ~~set~~ circuit is increased the potential gradient decreases.



A greater length of wire is needed in order to have the balancing point for some ~~point~~ potential on the standard cell and across AB wire.

So, as the potential  $V_{AJ} = E$  should be the condition to meet.

The length AJ should be increased as  $V_{AJ} \propto l$

the

Therefore, the null point will shift towards  $R$

(b) Here,

$Y$  decreases the resistances, but as the resistance  $S$  is along the standard cell, it will have no effect on the potential across AB.

And also as  $K_2$  is open, no current will pass through resistances.

Hence,

The resistance  $S$  will have no effect on the null point and the null point will remain unchanged.

(3) (a) The potential drop across the length of a

steady current carrying wire of uniform cross section is proportional to the length of the wire.

(i) We use a long wire to have a lower potential gradient i.e. a lower least count or greater sensitivity of the potentiometer.

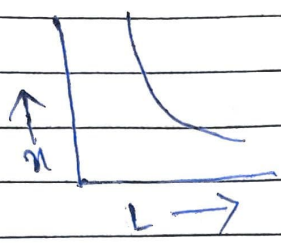
(ii) The area of cross section has to be uniform to a uniform wire as per the principle of the potentiometer.

(iii) The emf of the driving cell has to be greater than the emf of the primary cell. Otherwise, no balance point would be obtained.



(b) Potential gradient  $K = \frac{V}{L}$

∴ The required graph is as shown below



(4) (i) The purpose of high resistance  $R_2$  is to reduce the current through the galvanometer when jockey is far from balance point, this saves the galvanometer and the cell of emf from being damaged.

(ii) ~~When resistance is decreased, the point gradient of potential wire of potentiometer wire increases, so balance and the cell of emf~~

(ii) When resistance is decreased, the point gradient of potentiometer wire increases, so balance point shifts to longer length of wire.

(iii) (a) When key (K) is closed, the terminal potential difference of cell is zero so balance point cannot be between A and B.

(b) The balance point is not obtained because maximum emf across potentiometer wire is  $\mathcal{E}$  is  $2V$

- (5) (i) Decreases (K increase)
- (ii) Increases  $\beta$