

LAB REPORT FOR EXPERIMENT 5

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PHYSICS LAB EXPERIMENT 5: THE WHEATSTONE BRIDGE

1. PURPOSE

We use the Bridge to determine the value of an unknown resistance. The Wheatstone bridge used for the quick and accurate comparison of resistances.

II. DATA AND DATA ANALYSIS :

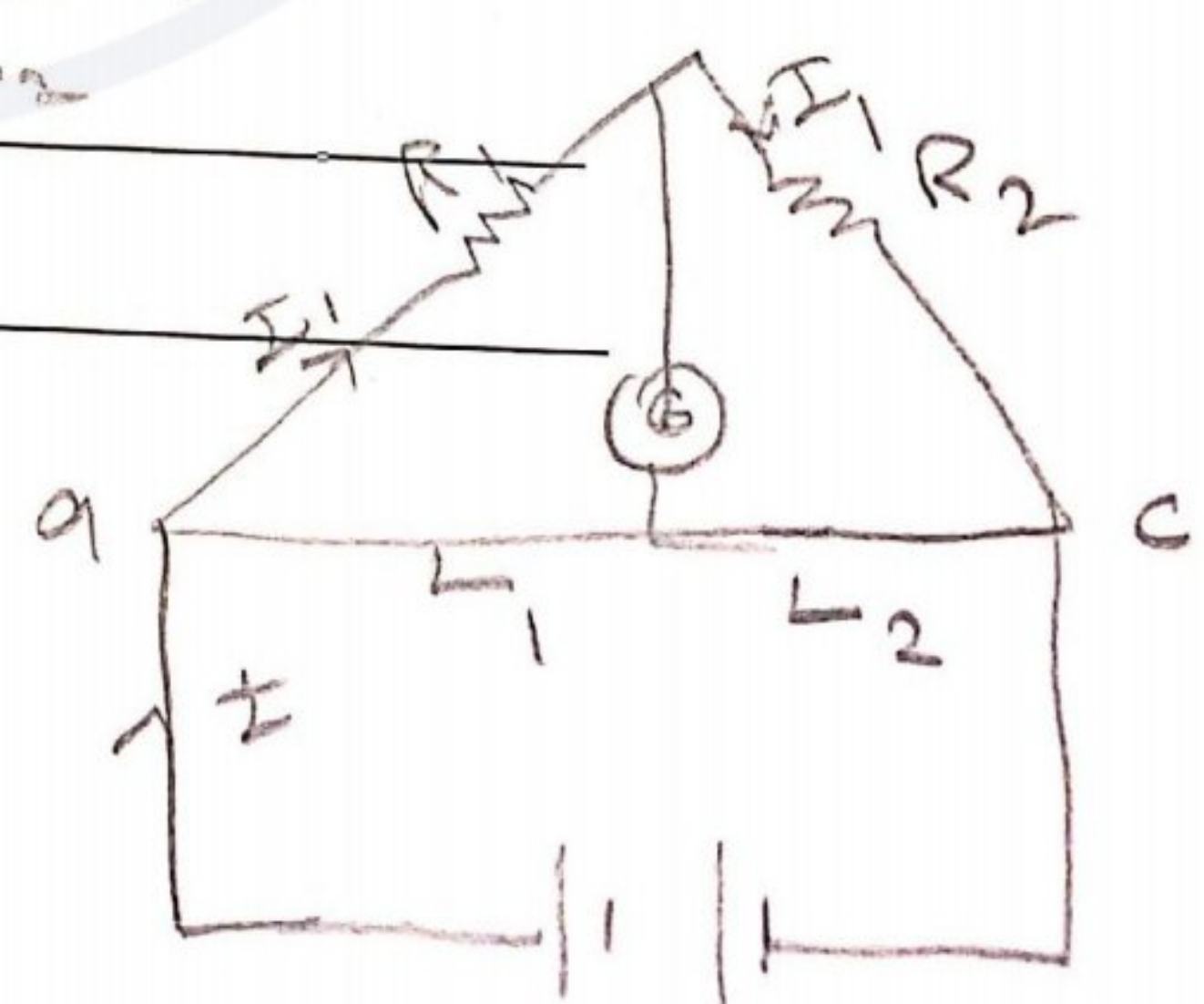
1. Show that $\frac{R_s}{R_x} = \frac{L_1}{L_2}$

$$V_{bo} = V_{od} \Rightarrow I R_1 = I R_3$$

$$V_{bc} = V_{cd} \Rightarrow I R_2 = I R_4$$

$$\frac{R_1}{R_2} = \frac{L_1}{L_2}$$

$$\frac{R_1}{R_2} = \frac{L_1}{L_2} \Rightarrow \frac{R_1}{R_2} = \frac{L_1}{L_2}$$



Record your data in Table (5.1) below:

Table 5.1

$$\frac{R_s}{R_x} = \frac{L_1}{L_2}$$

Reading	R_1 (Ω)	L_1 (cm)	L_2 (cm)	R_x (Ω)	$\Delta R_x / R_x$
1	10	16	84	52.5	1.0
2	20	27	73	54.07	0.97
3	30	36.5	63.5	52.14	1.01
4	40	43.5	57	53	0.99
5	50	48	52	54.16	0.97
6	60	53	47	53.2	0.99
7	70	57	43	52.8	1.0
8	80	60	40	53.3	0.99
9	90	63.5	36.5	51.7	1.02
10	100	66	34	51.5	1.02
$\bar{R}_x = 52.843 \Omega$					

R_1

الخطأ عدم تطبيق القانون على يمين الورقة بشكل صحيح.

3. Using the equation derived in (1), calculate the value of the unknown resistance R_x . Repeat for the different values of R_1 and enter your calculation in table 5.1 above.

Example for one calculation:

$$R_x = \frac{L_2}{L_1} R_1 = \frac{84}{16} \times 10 = 52.5 \Omega$$

4. Calculate the relative error $\Delta R_x / R_x$ for the different values of R_1 using the equation:

$$\frac{\Delta R_x}{R_x} = \left[\left(\frac{\Delta L_1}{L_1} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\Delta L_2}{L_2} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}$$

$$\Delta L = 0.05$$

Example for one calculation:

$$= \sqrt{\left(\frac{0.05}{16} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{0.05}{84} \right)^2} = 3.18 \times 10^{-3}$$

5. Is it essential that the battery supplies a constant current to the wire?
Explain your answer.

~~No, because we didn't use the current
in our calculation~~

6. From the table, determine the values of L_1 and L_2 for which the error $\Delta R_x / R_x$ is a **minimum**.

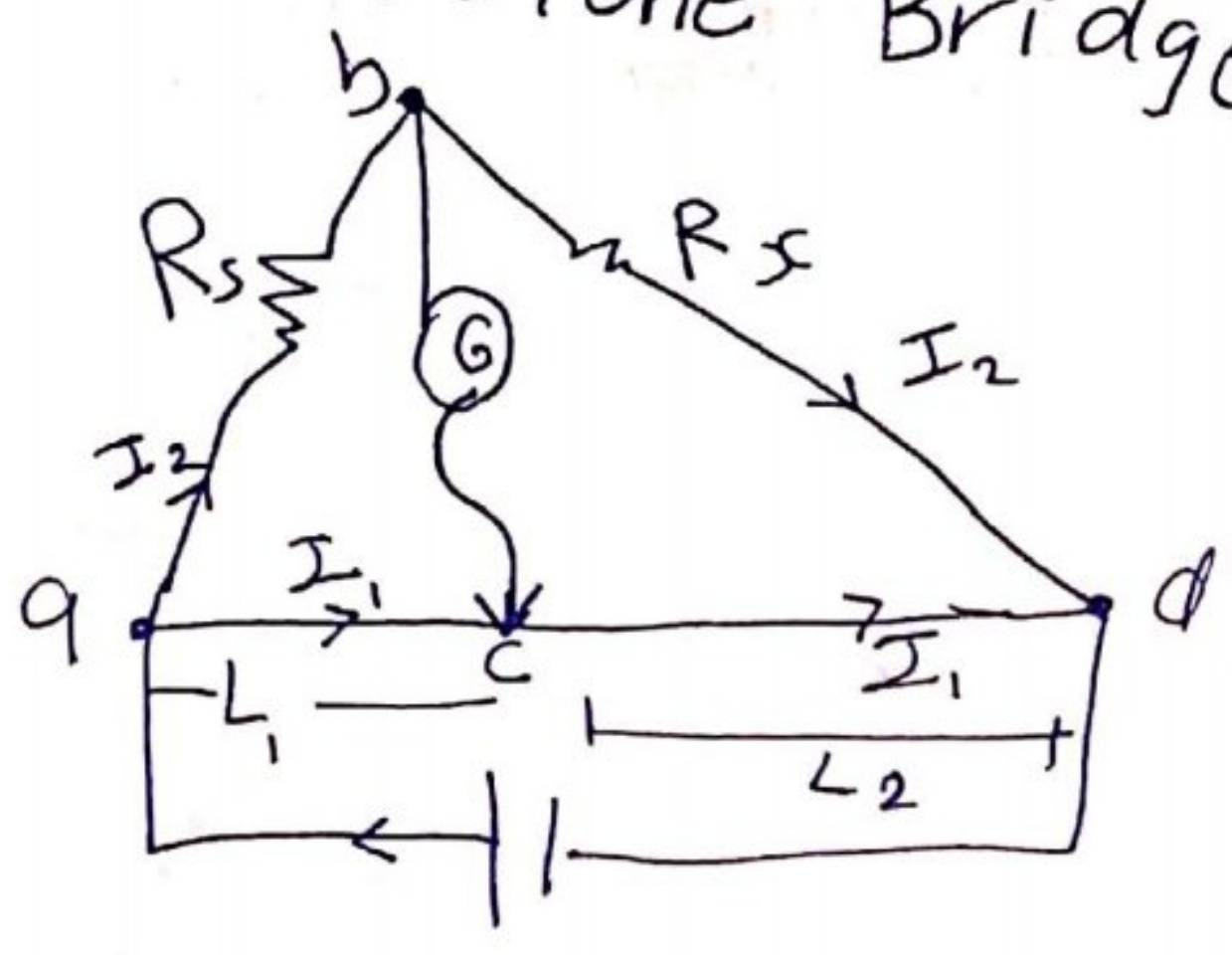
$L_1 = 48$

$L_2 = 52$

اسألني
عن الهندسة

stone Bridge

الـ (G) موصول بين نقطة
التيه R_x و R_s



بـ نأخذ جميع نقطة الـ (G) = 0
وقتها الـ current في $R_s = R_x$
مخرج يروح جزء منه لـ (G)

$$I = I_1 + I_2$$

- السؤال هو : كيف نحسب المقاومة المجهولة R_x

بما انهما بينه current بينه R_x و R_s معناها $a-b = b-c$

$ab = ac$ مشترك بينهما #

$$\begin{aligned} U_{ab} &= -I_2 R_s \\ U_{ac} &= -I_1 R_{ac} \end{aligned} \quad \left\{ \begin{aligned} -I_2 R_s &= -I_1 R_{ac} \end{aligned} \right. \quad [1]$$

$$L_1 + L_2 = 100 \text{ cm}$$

$$U_{bd} = U_{cd} \quad [2]$$

$$\begin{aligned} -I_2 R_x &= -I_1 R_{cd} \quad [2] \\ -I_2 R_s &= -I_1 R_{ac} \quad [1] \end{aligned}$$

نقسمهم

$$\frac{R_x}{R_s} = \frac{R_{cd}}{R_{ac}} = \frac{L_2 / A}{L_1 / A} = \frac{L_2}{L_1}$$

$$\frac{R_x}{R_s} = \frac{L_2}{L_1}$$

$$\therefore R_x = \frac{L_2}{L_1} \cdot R_s \quad *$$

• بيدي اجد النقطة التي
 $G = 0$ عندها واسجلتها

L_1, L_2

- راجح حسابها أكثر من مرة، لأن
حقيقتها R_x

$$R_s (\Omega) \quad L_1 (\text{cm}) \quad L_2 (\text{cm}) \quad R_x (\Omega) \quad \frac{\Delta R_x}{R_s}$$

لو غيرت مو A ماتفرق لانو $\frac{L_2}{L_1}$ يعتمد عليها *

لو عكسنا R_s و R_x ~~النتيجة~~ \rightarrow النتيجة

$$R_x = \frac{L_1}{L_2} R_s$$

التوصيليات:

power supply مع ال zero لل بداية wire "الخشبية الجيرة"

power مع لفافة ال wire عند ال 100 cm

يوصلك المقاومة المصهولة مع ال جهة ال 100 cm مباشرة "فوقها" والجهة الثانية مع المقاومة المحلومة

يوصلك المقاومة المحلومة (عليها 0.456) انرقام بوكس

مع ال zero فوه ال 100 cm لل power supply وجهة مع ال مصهولة

الغلنانومتر لسلك منو بطلع لنقطة التقاء ال 2 Resis. ال ال 100 cm هو فوه السلك ال ال بوصلة مع المقاومة المصهولة ال ال بجوه ~~بالمصهولة داخل~~ المحلومة

والسلك الثاني بالغلنانو مع ال pointer

يس ال المس ال pointer عند ال 100 cm ليحرف للسيار وعند ال 100 cm

ليحرف لليمين

بجث عند نقطة بين ال 50 وال 100

الطول ال $L_1 =$ طلع معي

$L_2 = 100 - L_1$

Balance point

اسمها

EXPERIMENT 5
THE WHEATSTONE BRIDGE

- In the **Wheatstone Bridge** experiment, the circuit configuration will allow for Quick and Accurate determination of the value of an **Unknown Resistance**. R_x
- This **Unknown Resistance**, termed R_x , will be compared to other Resistances of known values (Resistance Box $R_S = (10 - 100) \Omega$ and Meter Bridge Wire Resistance).
- During the experiment and at each value of R_S , the **Balance Point** will be Checked and Located. At the Balance Point, the **Galvanometer** will read **Zero**.
- The Galvanometer is a device that can Register or Read either the Current or the Voltage depending on the way it is connected to the circuit:
 - If connected in **Series**, it will read **Voltage**.
 - If connected in **Parallel**, it will read the **Current**.
 - Note that it is connected in **Opposite Manner** with respect to connection way of the Ammeter and Voltmeter.
 - In the Wheatstone Bridge experiment, it will read **current**.
- When the circuit is closed, a **total current** I will flow from the power supply towards point a , and then **part of it**, I_1 , will flow through R_S and the other part, I_2 , will flow through R_1 : satisfying the **Junction Rule of Kirchhoff's Rules**:

- **The Junction Rule:** At any junction, the sum of the currents must equal Zero

$$\sum_{\text{Junction}} I = 0$$

Hence, at Junction a , $I = I_1 + I_2$

- When the **Balance Point** is located for a particular value of R_S , the **Galvanometer** will read **Zero**, and both the **Junction and Loop Rules of Kirchhoff's Rules** will be satisfied:
 - **The Loop Rule:** The sum of the potential difference across all elements around any closed circuit loop must be Zero :

$$\sum_{\text{Junction}} \Delta V = 0$$

Where the closed loops could be loop $abca$ and loop $bdcdb$.

Hence, at that moment:

- Same Current, I_1 , will pass through R_S and R_X , (Series combination).
- Same Current, I_2 , will pass through R_1 and R_2 , (Series combination).
- Where at junctions:

- $a : I = I_1 + I_2$, and at

- $b : I_1 + I_2 = I$

- $\Delta V_{ab} = \Delta V_{ac} \rightarrow I_1 \times R_S = I_2 \times R_1$

where $\Delta V_{ab} = I_1 \times R_S$ (Ohm's Law)

and $\Delta V_{bd} = I_2 \times R_1 = I_2 \times \left(\frac{\rho}{A}\right)L_1$ (Wire Resistance)

Hence, $I_1 \times R_S = I_2 \times \left(\frac{\rho}{A}\right)L_1$ (equation I)

Also,

- $\Delta V_{bd} = \Delta V_{cd} \rightarrow I_1 \times R_X = I_2 \times R_2$

where $\Delta V_{bd} = I_1 \times R_X$ (Ohm's Law)

and $\Delta V_{cd} = I_2 \times R_2 = I_2 \times \left(\frac{\rho}{A}\right)L_2$ (Wire Resistance)

Hence, $I_1 \times R_X = I_2 \times \left(\frac{\rho}{A}\right)L_2$ (equation II)

- Now by dividing the two equations I and II by each other and canceling the common terms, one reaches to the following equation that can be used to determine the value of the unknown resistor, R_X :

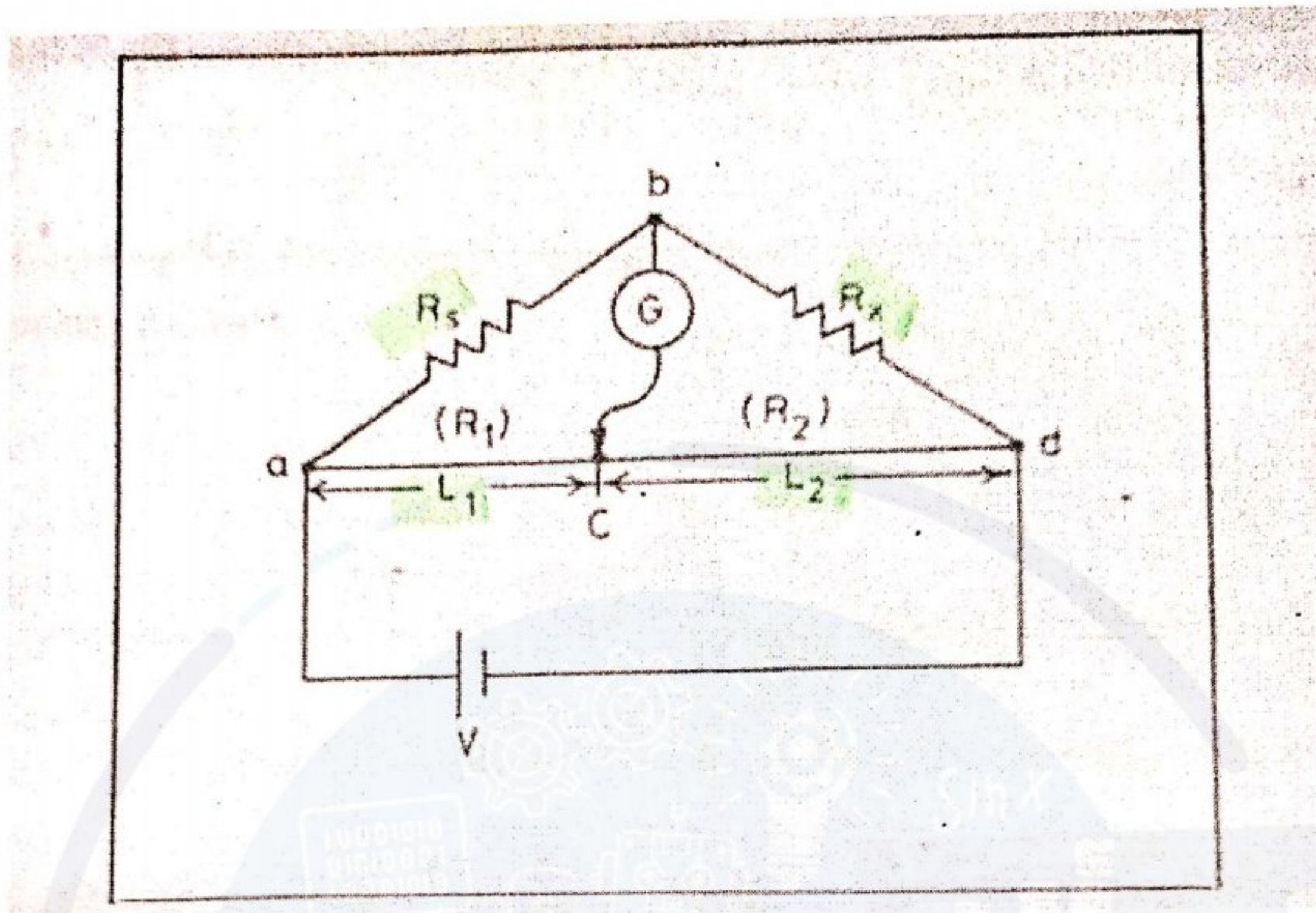
$$R_X = \frac{L_2}{L_1} R_S \text{ (equation III)}$$

- Using equation III, R_X can be determined per each value of R_X and the average value of $\overline{R_X}$ will easily be calculated.

- In order to solve for the relative error, remember that the error in reading the meter stick, ΔL is equivalent to $\pm \frac{1}{2}$ the smallest digit. (i.e. $\Delta L_1 = \Delta L_2 = \pm 0.5 \text{ mm}$)



اسالی عنها



THE WHEATSTONE BRIDGE CONFIGURATION

equipment

■ In today's experiment, we want to:

- Build up simple electric circuit using different circuit elements including:
 - 1 ▪ Electric wires (considered as perfect conductors even though they tend to heat up during the experiment, hence, their power dissipation is ignored).
 - 2 ▪ DC Power Supply (3.0 Volts).
 - 3 ▪ Three different Resistors:
 - R_s : Resistance Box (1 – 100 Ω). → البوكس
 - Unknown resistance R_x . → الشفافة
 - Meter Bridge (wire resistance).
 - Galvanometer to be connected in parallel (in order to work as an Ammeter).
- Calculate the average value of the unknown resistor R_x .
- Determine the relative error in the $\Delta R_x / R_x$.