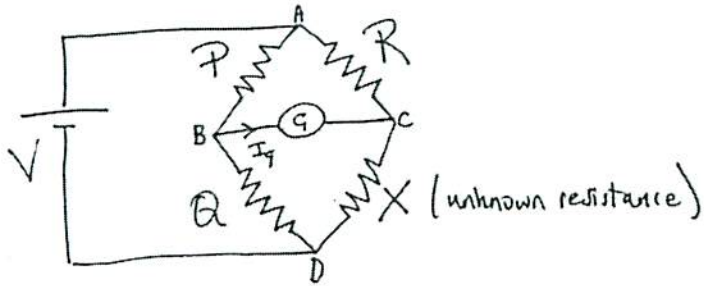


# TUTORIAL 6 SOLUTIONS

1. (a)



'At balance':  $I_G = 0$  i.e. points B and C have the same potential

Considering the circuit as a 'double potential divider',  $I_G = 0$  then implies that the following potential differences are equal:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} V_{AB} &= V_{AC} \\ V_{BD} &= V_{CD} \end{aligned} \right\} \text{(i)}$$

Which, in terms of currents, gives:  $I_1 P = I_2 R$   
(using Ohm's Law)  $I_1 Q = I_2 X$  } (ii)

Since  $I_1 = I_{AR} = I_{BD}$  and  $I_2 = I_{AC} = I_{CD}$ , noting that  $I_G = 0$  and Kirchhoff's current law

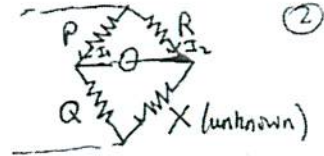
Dividing equations (ii) gives the balance condition:  $\boxed{\frac{P}{Q} = \frac{R}{X}}$

Then, to work out the unknown

resistance, X, re-arrange to get:  $\boxed{X = \frac{QR}{P}}$

①

1. (b) (lamp. resistance)  $X = \frac{QR}{P}$



(i)  $\left. \begin{aligned} P &= 1000 \Omega \\ Q &= 0.5 \Omega \\ R &= 1000 \Omega \end{aligned} \right\} \rightarrow X = \frac{0.5 \times 1000}{1000} = 0.5 \Omega$

(ii)  $\left. \begin{aligned} P &= 1000 \Omega \\ Q &= 1000 \Omega \\ R &= 5 \Omega \end{aligned} \right\} \rightarrow X = \frac{1000 \times 5}{1000} = 5 \Omega$

In case (i)  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  are balanced and small (both currents pass through  $(1000 + 0.5) \Omega$ )

In case (ii)  $R + X = (5 + 5) = 10 \Omega$   
 $P + Q = (1000 + 1000) = 2000 \Omega$  } current through R and X (the bulb) is much larger here

→ The higher current through the bulb (X) in the second case is consistent with the bulb glowing brightly.

Note also that, in the second case, the resistance of X is also much higher ( $0.5 \Omega \rightarrow 5 \Omega$ ). This is consistent with a much hotter (i.e. brightly glowing) bulb, since resistance increases with temperature increasing.

1. (c) (i)  $P = 100\Omega$   
 $Q = 1\Omega$   
 $R = 100\Omega$  }  $\rightarrow X = \frac{QR}{P} = \frac{1 \times 100}{100} = 1\Omega$

(ii)  $P = 100\Omega$   
 $Q = 100\Omega$   
 $R = 10\Omega$  }  $\rightarrow X = \frac{QR}{P} = \frac{100 \times 10}{100} = 10\Omega$

(3) 3. continued

Note that potential difference relating to the section ED, (4) and giving rise to  $I_3$ , is

$$V_{ED} = I_3 10 = 10I_1 + 10I_2 = 10(I_1 + I_2)$$

Loop 1

$$12 = 2I_1 + 10I_1 + 10(I_1 + I_2)$$

Loop 2

$$3 = 1 \cdot I_2 + 10(I_1 + I_2)$$

2 equations in 2 unknowns ( $I_1$  and  $I_2$ )

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} 12 = 22I_1 + 10I_2 & (i) \\ 3 = 10I_1 + 11I_2 & (ii) \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 11 \times (i) &\rightarrow 132 = 242I_1 + 110I_2 & (i) \\ 10 \times (ii) &\rightarrow 30 = 100I_1 + 110I_2 & (ii) \end{aligned}$$

subtract:  $102 = 142I_1 \rightarrow I_1 = \frac{102}{142} \approx 1.39A$

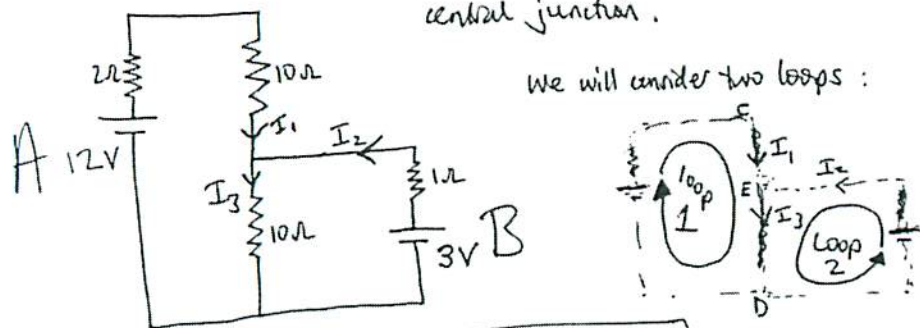
Then,  $3 = 10I_1 + 11I_2$  gives  $I_2 = \frac{3 - 10I_1}{11} = -0.99A$

$\therefore I_2$  actually goes in the other direction (and will be charging up battery B, rather than draining battery B).

Current through ED is  $I_3 = I_1 + I_2 = 1.39 + (-0.99) = 0.40A$

2. Kirchhoff's Laws: (i) Algebraic sum of the currents INTO a junction is zero. (current law)  
 (ii) Algebraic sum of the potential differences around any closed loop is zero (voltage law)

3. Draw a circuit diagram that includes the internal resistances and ideal batteries (that only have an emf and no intrinsic resistance); also label the currents with respect to the central junction.



We will consider two loops:

Kirchhoff's current law:  $I_{ED} = I_3 = I_1 + I_2$  (this will allow us to eliminate  $I_3$  from the two equations we get from applying Kirchhoff's voltage law...)

( $I_1$  will be the current through battery A,  $I_2$  will be the current through battery B)



3. (c) Power dissipated in resistor between E and D

$$P = I^2 R, \text{ where } I = I_3 = 0.4 \text{ A}, R = 10 \Omega$$

$$\rightarrow P = (0.4)^2 \times 10 = 1.6 \text{ W.}$$

Energy dissipated in resistor between C and E

$$\text{Energy} = \text{Power} \times \text{time}, \text{ where Power} = I_1^2 R \text{ and } I_1 = 1.39 \text{ A}$$

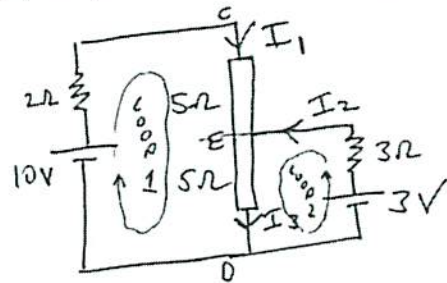
$$\text{ie. Power} = (1.39)^2 \times 10 \approx 19.3 \text{ W.}$$

$$\text{Time} = 5 \text{ min} = 5 \times 60 \text{ s} = 300 \text{ s}$$

$$\therefore \text{Energy} = 19.3 \times 300 \approx 5,796 \text{ J} \approx 5.8 \text{ kJ.}$$

4. Circuit with internal resistances, emf's and currents through the batteries...

Kirchhoff's current law:  $I_3 = I_1 + I_2$   
(will use this in the equations from the voltage law)



$$V_{ED} = I_3 \cdot 5 = (I_1 + I_2) \cdot 5.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Loop 1} \quad 10 &= 2I_1 + 5I_1 + 5(I_1 + I_2) \quad (i) \\ \text{Loop 2} \quad 3 &= 3I_2 + 5(I_1 + I_2) \quad (ii) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 8 \times (i) &\rightarrow 80 = 96I_1 + 40I_2 \\ 5 \times (ii) &\rightarrow 15 = 25I_1 + 40I_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Subtract} \quad 65 = 71I_1 \rightarrow I_1 = \frac{65}{71} \approx 0.92 \text{ A.}$$

(5)

4. (a) CONTINUED

$$I_1 = 0.92 \text{ A}, \text{ eg. } 3 = 5I_1 + 8I_2 \text{ then gives...}$$

$$I_2 = \frac{3 - 5I_1}{8} = -0.2 \text{ A.}$$

ie.  $I_2$  goes clockwise round loop 2 (and charges battery B).

$$\begin{aligned} \bullet \text{ Current through ED} &= I_3 = I_1 + I_2 \\ &= 0.92 + (-0.2) \\ &= 0.72 \text{ A.} \end{aligned}$$

(b) Power dissipated between C E:  $P = I_1^2 R$ , where  $I_1 = 0.92 \text{ A}$ ,  $R = 5 \Omega$ .

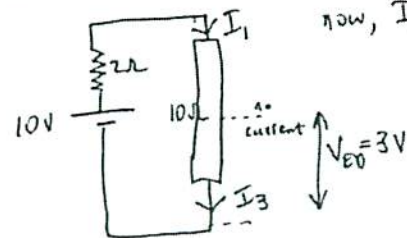
$$\text{ie. } P = (0.92)^2 \times 5 = 4.23 \text{ W.}$$

Energy dissipated in 3 minutes:  $\text{Energy} = \text{Power} \times \text{time}$ ,  $\text{time} = 3 \text{ min} = 180 \text{ s}$ ,

$$\therefore \text{Energy} = 4.23 \times 180 = 761 \text{ J.}$$

(c) No current through battery B  $\Rightarrow I_2 = 0 \Rightarrow$  no p.d. dropped across  $3 \Omega$  internal resistance, and battery emf (3V) matches  $V_{ED}$

We can then consider



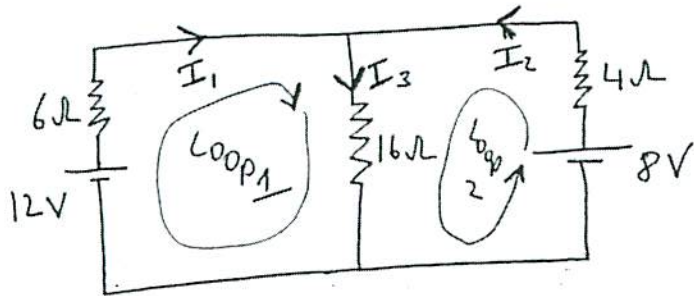
$$\text{now, } I_1 = I_3 = I, \text{ say } I = \frac{10 \text{ V}}{(2+10) \Omega} \text{ (ohm's law)}$$

$$\text{ie. } I \approx 0.83 \text{ A.}$$

$$\text{and } R_{ED} = \frac{V_{ED}}{I} = \frac{3}{0.83} \approx 3.6 \Omega.$$

(6)

5. (i) Draw circuit, label currents ("coming from" the batteries), and apply Kirchhoff's current and voltage laws.



Current law  $I_3 = I_1 + I_2$  (will use to eliminate  $I_3$  from the equations we get from the voltage law)

e.g. Voltage dropped across  $R_L = 16\Omega$ ,  $V_L = I_3 \cdot 16$   
ie.  $V_L = (I_1 + I_2) \cdot 16$ .

Voltage law

Loop 1 :  $12 = 6I_1 + 16(I_1 + I_2) \rightarrow 12 = 22I_1 + 16I_2$  (i)

Loop 2 :  $8 = 4I_2 + 16(I_1 + I_2) \rightarrow 8 = 16I_1 + 20I_2$  (ii)

$\left. \begin{matrix} \text{divide both} \\ \text{equations by 2} \end{matrix} \right\} \rightarrow \begin{cases} 6 = 11I_1 + 8I_2 & \text{(i)} \\ 4 = 8I_1 + 10I_2 & \text{(ii)} \end{cases}$  } SOLVE FOR  $I_1$  and  $I_2$

$10 \times \text{(i)} \rightarrow 60 = 110I_1 + 80I_2$

$8 \times \text{(ii)} \rightarrow 32 = 64I_1 + 80I_2$

$28 = 46I_1 \rightarrow I_1 = \frac{28}{46} = 0.6 \text{ A.}$

subtract

(current supplied by 12V battery)

⑦ 5. CONTINUED  $I_1 = 0.6 \text{ A}$ , eg.  $4 = 8I_1 + 10I_2$  ⑧

$\rightarrow I_2 = \frac{4 - 8I_1}{10} = -0.08 \text{ A.}$

i.e. actually flowing clockwise in loop 2 and charging (rather than draining the 8V battery).

Current in  $16\Omega$  (load) resistor =  $I_3 = I_1 + I_2$   
 $= 0.6 - 0.08$

ie.  $I_3 = 0.52 \text{ A.}$

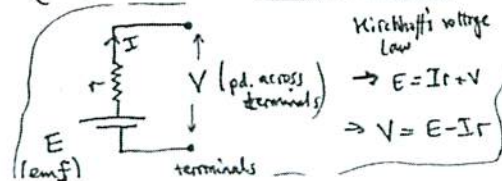
Here,  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  flow in directions that we picked at the beginning but  $I_2$  flows in the other direction.

(ii) Power dissipation =  $I^2 R$ .  $\textcircled{r_1}$   $P = I_1^2 r_1 = (0.6)^2 \cdot 6 = 2.16 \text{ W.}$

$\textcircled{r_2}$   $P = I_2^2 r_2 = (-0.08)^2 \cdot 4 = 0.026 \text{ W.}$

$\textcircled{R_L}$   $P = I_3^2 R_L = (0.52)^2 \cdot 16 = 4.33 \text{ W.}$

(iii) in each case we have



$V_1 = E_1 - I_1 r_1 = 12 - (0.6) \cdot 6 = 8.4 \text{ V.}$

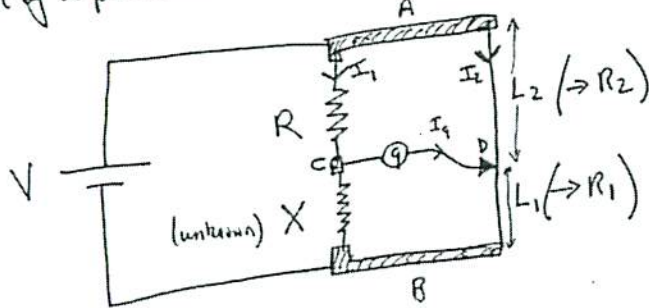
$V_2 = E_2 - I_2 r_2 = 8 - (-0.08) \cdot 4 = 8 + 0.32 = 8.32 \text{ V.}$



5. (iii) continued: battery 1 is drained and some of the emf  $E_1$  is dropped across internal resistance  $r_1$  → reduced voltage at battery terminals. (9)

Battery 2 has current flowing into its positive terminal and is being charged. The p.d. across the terminals is the sum of the p.d. across  $r_2$  and the emf and is larger than the battery emf alone.

6. Metre bridge gets its name from the 1m length of wire that forms part of a potential divider ( $L = L_1 + L_2 = 1\text{m}$ ) ...



Balance condition arises when  $I_g = 0$  (as a result of the same potential at points C and D)

This implies that:  $V_{AC} = V_{AD}$   
and  $V_{CB} = V_{DB}$

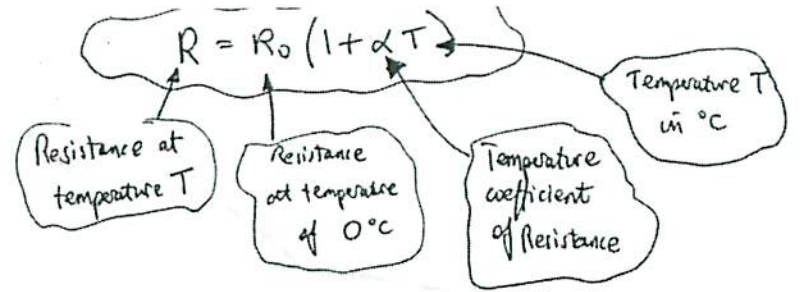
$$\left. \begin{aligned} I_1 R &= I_2 R_2 \\ I_1 X &= I_2 R_1 \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{divide} \\ \text{equations} \end{array}$$

BALANCE  
CONDITION  
(equation)

$$\boxed{\frac{R}{X} = \frac{R_2}{R_1} = \frac{L_2}{L_1}}$$

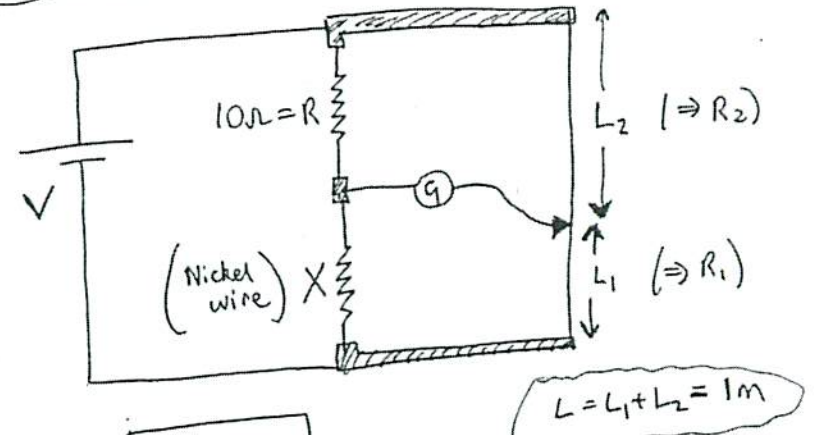
since  $R = \rho \frac{L}{A}$  i.e.  $R \propto L$ .

7.



$$\alpha = \frac{\text{increase in } \cancel{\text{resistance}} \text{ per } ^\circ\text{C}}{\text{resistance at } 0^\circ\text{C}}$$

8.



Balance condition  
(zero current reading in galvanometer)

$$\boxed{\frac{R}{X} = \frac{L_2}{L_1}} \quad (\text{see solution to question 6.})$$

(a)  $R = 10 \Omega$ .  
 $T = 0^\circ\text{C} \rightarrow L_1 = 50\text{cm}$  ( $L_2 = 100 - 50 = 50\text{cm}$ )  
 $T = 100^\circ\text{C} \rightarrow L_1 = 60\text{cm}$  ( $L_2 = 100 - 60 = 40\text{cm}$ )

$T = 0^\circ\text{C}$       $X_0 = \frac{R L_1}{L_2} = \frac{10 \times 50}{50} = 10 \Omega$

$T = 100^\circ\text{C}$       $X_{100} = \frac{R L_1}{L_2} = \frac{10 \times 60}{40} = 15 \Omega$

8. CONTINUED

$$R = R_0(1 + \alpha T)$$

$$X_{100} = X_0(1 + \alpha T)$$

$$\text{i.e. } 15 = 10(1 + \alpha \cdot 100)$$

$$\text{i.e. } 1.5 - 1 = \alpha \cdot 100$$

$$\text{i.e. } \alpha = 5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}^{-1}$$

Require  $T$  when  $X_{54} = \frac{RL_1}{L_2}$  (and  $L_1 = 54 \text{ cm}$ ,  $L_2 = 100 - 54 = 46 \text{ cm}$ )

$$X_{54} = \frac{10 \times 54}{46}$$

$$\text{i.e. } X_{54} \approx 11.74 \Omega$$

$\therefore X_{54} = X_0(1 + \alpha T)$ , where we need to find  $T$ .

$$\text{i.e. } 11.74 = 10(1 + 5 \times 10^{-3} T)$$

$$\text{Re-arranging gives } T \approx 34.8^\circ\text{C}$$

(b)  $R = \frac{\rho L}{A}$ , where  $R = X_{54} = 11.74 \Omega$   
 $L = 300 \text{ cm} = 3 \text{ m}$   
 $A = 5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ cm}^2 = 5 \times 10^{-4} \times (10^{-2} \text{ m})^2$   
 $\text{i.e. } A = 5 \times 10^{-4} \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2 = 5 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}^2$

$$\rho = \frac{RA}{L} = \frac{11.74 \times 5 \times 10^{-8}}{3} \approx 1.96 \times 10^{-7} \Omega \text{ m}$$

(c) Since  $X \approx 10 \Omega$ , balance point near middle of  $L \rightarrow$  highest accuracy (e.g. allows neglecting resistance connecting strips of the bridge).

(11)

9. Notation used is as in the previous solution.

(12)

$$R = 10 \Omega \quad \begin{array}{l} T = 0^\circ\text{C} \rightarrow L_1 = 40 \text{ cm}, L_2 = 100 - 40 = 60 \text{ cm} \\ T = 100^\circ\text{C} \rightarrow L_1 = 50 \text{ cm}, L_2 = 100 - 50 = 50 \text{ cm} \end{array}$$

$$T = 0^\circ\text{C} : X_0 = \frac{RL_1}{L_2} = \frac{10 \times 40}{60} \approx 6.67 \Omega$$

$$T = 100^\circ\text{C} : X_{100} = \frac{RL_1}{L_2} = \frac{10 \times 50}{50} = 10 \Omega$$

This can give us the temperature coefficient of resistance

$$X_{100} = X_0(1 + \alpha T) \rightarrow \alpha = \frac{1}{X_0} \left( \frac{X_{100} - X_0}{T} \right)$$

$$\text{i.e. } \alpha = \frac{1}{6.67} \left( \frac{10 - 6.67}{100} \right) \approx 5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}^{-1}$$

(a)  $T$  when  $L_1 = 44 \text{ cm}$ ?  $L_2 = 100 - 44 = 56 \text{ cm}$

$$X = \frac{RL_1}{L_2} = \frac{10 \times 44}{56} \approx 7.86 \Omega$$

then  $X = X_0(1 + \alpha T)$  where  $7.86 = 6.67(1 + 5 \times 10^{-3} T)$   
 $\rightarrow T \approx 34.5^\circ\text{C}$

(b)  $R = \frac{\rho L}{A}$ , where  $R = X = 7.86 \Omega$   
 $L = 150 \text{ cm} = 1.5 \text{ m}$   
 $A = 2.5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ cm}^2 = 2.5 \times 10^{-4} \times (10^{-2} \text{ m})^2$   
 $\text{i.e. } A = 2.5 \times 10^{-4} \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2 = 2.5 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}^2$

$$\therefore \rho = \frac{RA}{L} = \frac{7.86 \times 2.5 \times 10^{-8}}{1.5} \approx 1.3 \times 10^{-7} \Omega \text{ m}$$