Working formula:

- To find the unknown resistance (X):
 - ✓ If unknown resistance is in left gap, then

$$X = \frac{l}{100 - l} \times R$$

 $[l = balanced\ length\ (in\ cm) measured\ from\ zero\ end\ (point\ A)]$

✓ If unknown resistance is in right gap, then

$$X = \frac{100 - l}{l} \times R$$

 $[l = balanced\ length\ (in\ cm) measured\ from\ zero\ end\ (point\ A)]$

• To find resistivity of the wire (ρ):

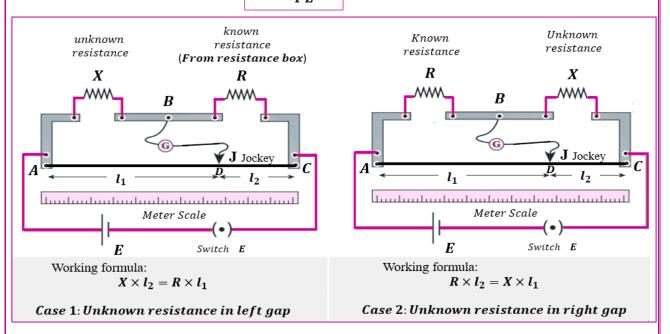
If, d = diameter of wire

L = length of the wire

X = resistance of the wire (as obtained from above)

Then,

Resistivity, $\rho = \frac{\pi d^2}{4L}X$



PROCEDURE:

To find unknown resistance

1. Connect the cell, wire (of unknown resistance *X*), known resistance (**Resistance box**), galvanometer, jockey as shown in figure (i).

[unknown resistance in left gap and known resistance in the right gap of the bridge].

- 2. Take out a resistor (say, $\mathbf{1}\Omega$) from the resistance box. [Here, known resistance $\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{1}\Omega$]
- 3. Check the galvanometer deflection by placing the jockey at two ends of the bridge wire. If the deflection is opposite, the circuit connection is ok otherwise re-connect the circuit.
- 4. Slide the jockey from left to right over the bridge wire until the galvanometer shows null deflection. Note the balanced length (l), from the left end (zero end).
- 5. Repeat the step 4 with changing known resistance to 2Ω and 3Ω .