

1. Calculate the unknown resistance by using appropriate formula.
2. Now, exchange the position of unknown and known resistance and again repeat the steps 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.

To find resistivity of wire

3. Find the length (L) and diameter (d) of the wire using meter scale and screw gauge respectively.
4. Calculate the resistivity of wire using appropriate formula [after knowing the value of X .]

OBSERVATIONS:

Least count of meter scale =

Least count of screw gauge =

Instrumental error in screw gauge =

Length of given wire, $L = \dots \dots m$

Diameter of given wire, $d = \dots \dots m$

Observation Table:

- **To find unknown resistance (of the given wire):**

S. N.	Known resistance (R)		Balanced length (l) (cm)	$100 - l$ (cm)	Unknown resistance (X in left gap) $X = \frac{l}{100 - l} \times R$	Unknown resistance (X in right gap) $X = \frac{100 - l}{l} \times R$	Mean X (Ω)
	Right gap	Left gap					
1.	1 Ω	-				-	
2.	2 Ω	-				-	
3.	3 Ω	-				-	
4.	-	1 Ω			-		
5.	-	2 Ω			-		
6.	-	3 Ω			-		

CALCULATIONS:

From above table, the mean resistance of the given wire, $X = \dots \dots \Omega$.

The resistivity of the wire is:

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

or, $\rho = \dots \dots$

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PERCENTAGE ERROR:

Standard value of resistivity of given wire, $\rho_s = \dots \dots$ (being $\dots \dots$ wire)

Observed value of resistivity of given wire, $\rho_o = \dots \dots$