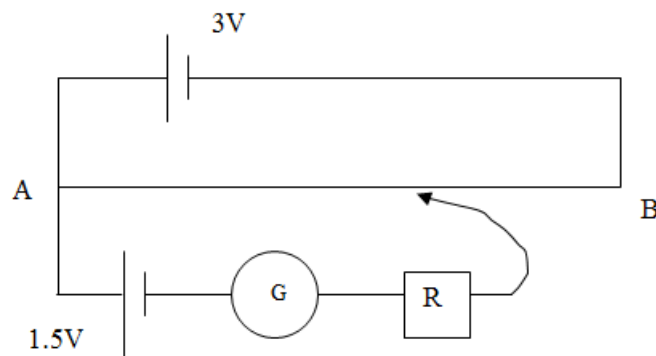


**Problems for test:**

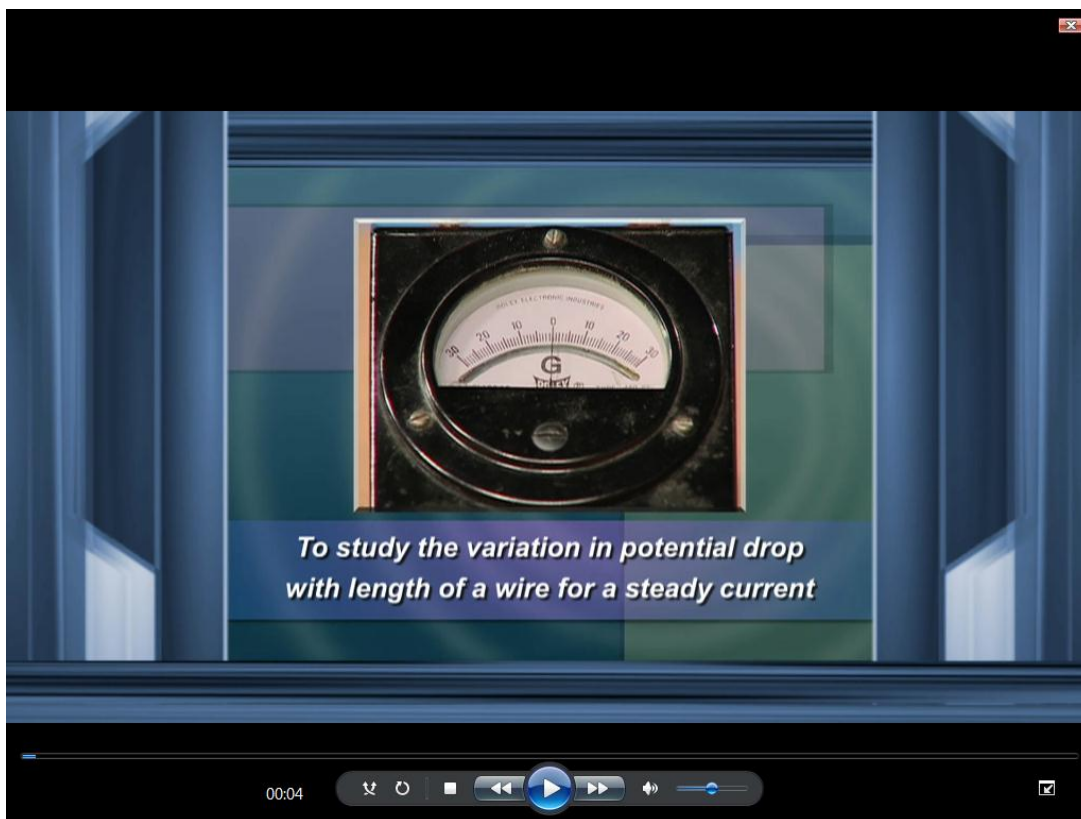
A potentiometer wire AB of length 1 m is connected to a driver cell of emf 3 V as shown in the figure,

When a cell of 1.5V emf is used in the secondary circuit, the balance point is found to be 60 cm, on replacing this cell and using a cell of unknown emf, the balance point shifts to 80 cm.



## Potentiometer

Watch the video uploaded along with the problems for test and give answers to the following questions.



- a) What should be the properties of wire AB?
- b) Can the wire AB be of any length?
- c) What is the potential difference across wire AB?
- d) What is meant by potential gradient?
- e) Will the potential gradient always be constant?
- f) Under what condition would the value of potential gradient be
  - i) Variable
  - ii) increase
  - iii) decrease
- g) Distinguish between driver cell and a cell?
- h) What will be the resistance of a cell while measuring the emf of a cell?
- i) Calculate the potential gradient.
- j) What will be unit of potential gradient?
- k) Will the potential gradient change if the positive of driver cell is connected to B?
- l) Does current flow in wire AB? Can I calculate this current?
- m) Why should the positive terminals of driver and the secondary cell be connected to A?
- n) What difference, if any, would be there if
  - i) The negative terminals of both cells are connected to A?
  - ii) The negative terminals of both cells is connected to connected to B
  - iii) Positive of driver to A and positive of secondary cell to B
- o) Give the principle of working of a potentiometer. What is meant by null point?
- p) What is the function of the galvanometer?
- q) What do you expect the emf of the cell of unknown emf will be greater or lesser than 3V?
- r) What do you expect the emf of the cell of unknown emf will be greater or lesser than 1.5V?
- s) Write the formula you would use to calculate the unknown emf
- t) Why does your formula not include the value of resistance R ?
- u) Calculate unknown emf of the cell
- v) Explain with reason why the circuit would not work if the driver cell is replaced by a cell of 1V emf
- w) Why is a high resistance R used in the secondary circuit?
- x) Use Kirchhoff's rules to show the direction of current in the two loops
- y) If current in the two loops suggest same direction flow of current due to both cells how do we get the null point?
- z) Does the high resistance R, used in the secondary circuit affect the balance point? Justify your answer.