

**Experimental No. (6)**  
**AC bridge meter**

**Phys Lab 2**

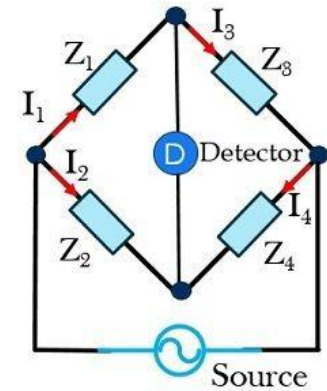
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# AC Bridges

**Definition:** AC bridges are the circuits that are used for the measurement of **electrical quantities** such as inductance, capacitance, resistance.

**there are 2 conditions in order to balance the bridge-**

- 1- The detector current  $I_d$  should be zero.
- 2- The potential difference between the detector node should be zero



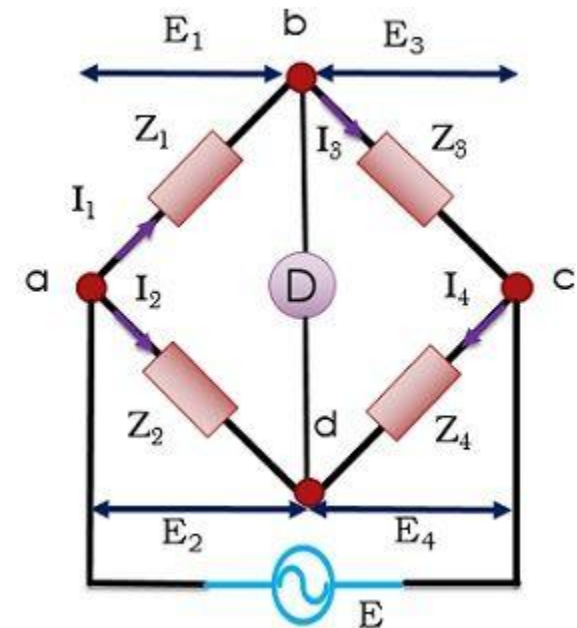
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## AC Bridges general balance equation

The current through detector must be 0 that requires the potential difference  $V_{bd}$  to be 0.

In such a condition voltage drop from **a to b** will get equal to voltage drop from **a to d**, both in magnitude and phase.



$$E_1 = E_2$$

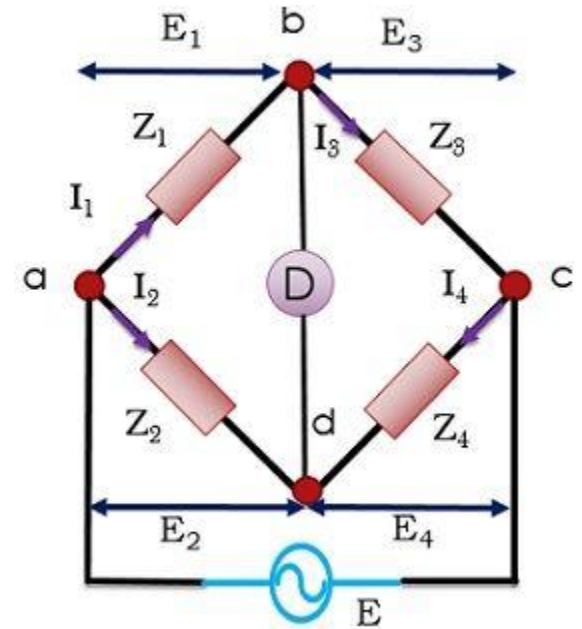
Applying ohms' law

$$I_1 Z_1 = I_2 Z_2$$

At balance

$$I_1 = I_3 = \frac{E}{Z_1 + Z_3}$$

$$I_2 = I_4 = \frac{E}{Z_2 + Z_4}$$



Substituting the value of I<sub>1</sub> and I<sub>2</sub>

$$Z_1 Z_4 = Z_2 Z_3$$

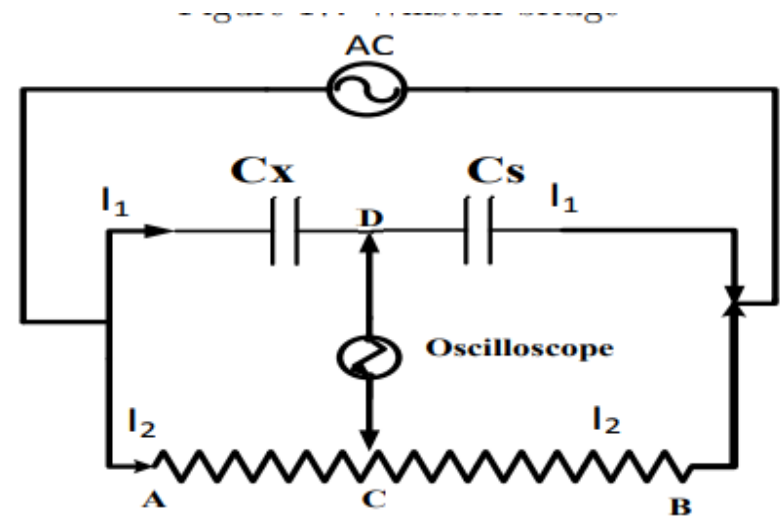
# Experiment

$$V_{DC} = V_D - V_C = 0, \text{ So } V_{AD} = V_{AC}$$

$$I_1 Z_{C_x} = I_2 R_{AC}$$

$$\frac{I_1}{\omega C_x} = I_2 \frac{\rho L_{AC}}{\text{Area of the wire}}$$

Eq.1



$$V_{BD} = V_{BC}, \text{ So } I_1 Z_{C_s} = I_2 R_{BC}$$

$$\frac{I_1}{\omega C_s} = I_2 \frac{\rho L_{BC}}{\text{Area of the wire}}$$

Eq.2

Divided Eq. 1 by Eq.2

$$C_x = C_s \frac{L_{BC}}{L_{AC}}$$

**Note: Impedance of capacitor**

$$Z_C = \frac{1}{\omega C}$$

# Experimental Procedure

## Part 1

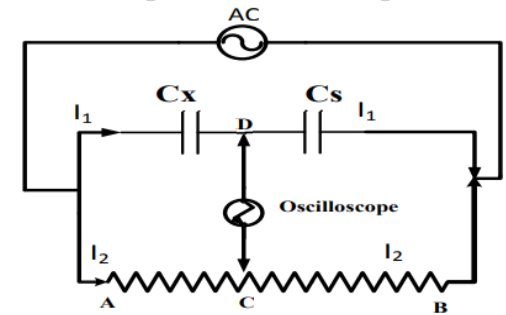
**Cx1= 470 micro Farad**

$C_s(\mu F)$	$L_{BC}(cm)$	$L_{AC}(cm)$	$\frac{L_{AC}}{L_{BC}}$
68			
100			
470			
1000			

Draw  $C_s$  vs.  $\frac{L_{AC}}{L_{BC}}$ , Slope =  $C_{x1} = \dots\dots\dots$

## Data of Experiment from record Video

$C_s(\mu F)$	$L_{AC}$	$L_{BC}$	$L_{AC}/L_{BC}$
68	13	87	
100	20	80	
470	50	50	
1000	65	35	



## Sample calculation:

$$C_x = C_s \frac{L_{BC}}{L_{AC}}$$

**Cx = 68 Micro.Farad ( 87 cm/13 cm)**

**Cx = 455 Micro Farad**

$C_s(\mu F)$

$$C_s = C_x * (L_{AC}/L_{BC})$$

Slope =  $C_x$

$\frac{L_{AC}}{L_{BC}}$

# Experimental Procedure

## Part 2

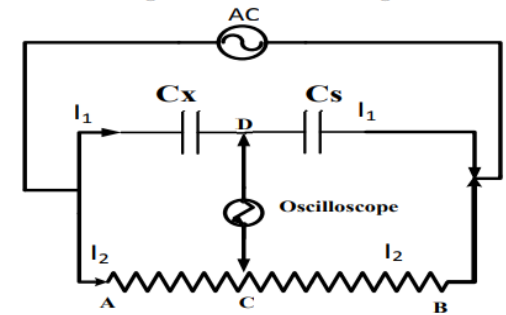
**Cx2= 220 micro Farad**

$C_s(\mu F)$	$L_{BC}(cm)$	$L_{AC}(cm)$	$\frac{L_{AC}}{L_{BC}}$
68			
100			
470			
1000			

Draw  $C_s$  vs.  $\frac{L_{AC}}{L_{BC}}$ , Slope =  $C_{x1} = \dots\dots\dots$

## Data of Experiment from record Video

$C_s$	$L_{AC}$	$L_{BC}$	$\frac{L_{AC}}{L_{BC}}$
68	22	78	
100	32	68	
470	70	30	
1000	80	20	



## Sample calculation:

$$C_x = C_s \frac{L_{BC}}{L_{AC}}$$

$C_x = 68 \text{ Micro.Farad ( 78 cm/22 cm)}$

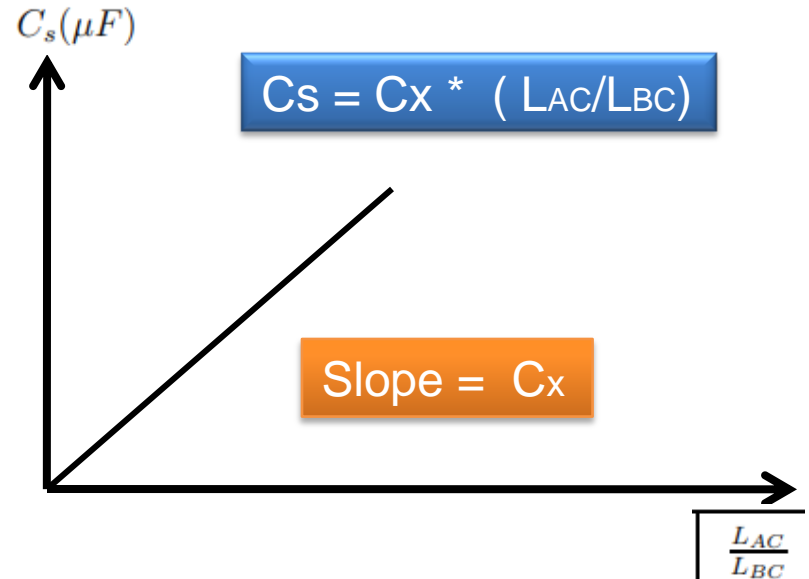
$C_x = 241 \text{ Micro Farad}$

$C_s(\mu F)$

$$C_s = C_x * (L_{AC}/L_{BC})$$

Slope =  $C_x$

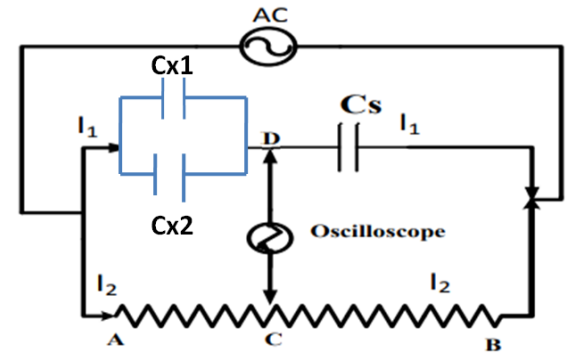
$\frac{L_{AC}}{L_{BC}}$



# Experimental Procedure

## Part 3 ( connect Cx1 and Cx2 in parallel )

$C_{x_{eq}} = 590$  micro Farad



$C_s (\mu F)$	$L_{BC} (cm)$	$L_{AC} (cm)$	$\frac{L_{AC}}{L_{BC}}$
68			
100			
470			
1000			

Draw  $C_s$  vs.  $\frac{L_{AC}}{L_{BC}}$ , Slope =  $C_{x1} = \dots\dots\dots$

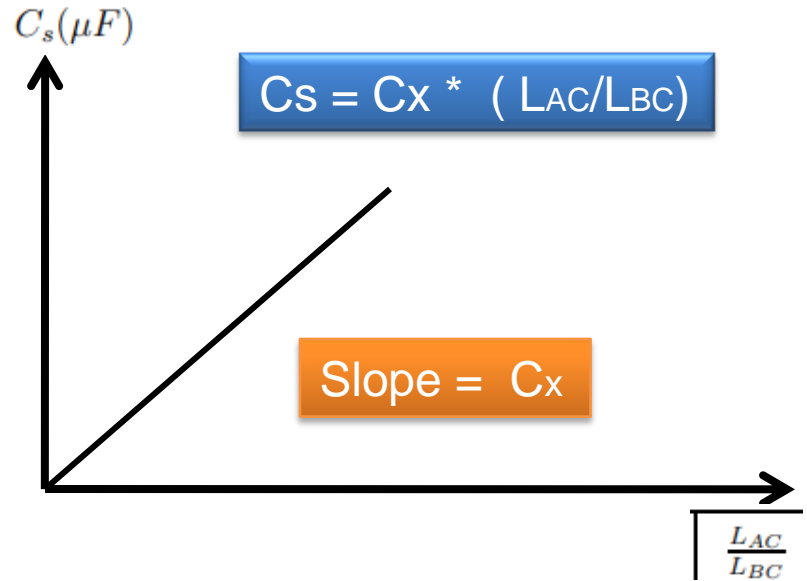
### Sample calculation:

$$C_x = C_s \frac{L_{BC}}{L_{AC}}$$

$C_x = 68$  Micro.Farad ( 90 cm/10 cm )  
 $C_x = 612$  Micro Farad

### Data of Experiment from record Video

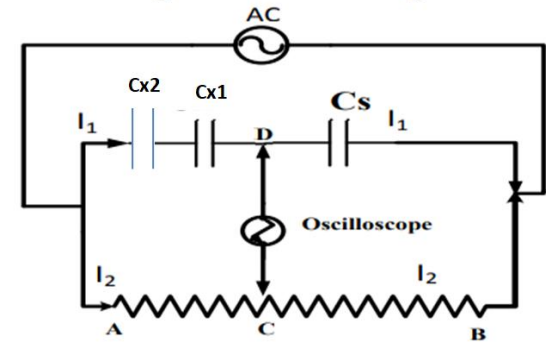
$C_s (\mu F)$	$L_{AC}$	$L_{BC}$	$\frac{L_{AC}}{L_{BC}}$
68	10	90	
100	17	83	
470	40	60	
1000	57	33	



# Experimental Procedure

## Part 4 ( connect Cx1 and Cx2 in series )

$C_{x_{eq}} = 150$  micro Farad



$C_s(\mu F)$	$L_{BC}(cm)$	$L_{AC}(cm)$	$\frac{L_{AC}}{L_{BC}}$
68			
100			
470			
1000			

Draw  $C_s$  vs.  $\frac{L_{AC}}{L_{BC}}$ , Slope =  $C_{x1} = \dots\dots\dots$

### Sample calculation:

$$C_x = C_s \frac{L_{BC}}{L_{AC}}$$

$C_x = 68$  Micro.Farad ( 73 cm/27 cm )  
 $C_x = 183$  Micro Farad

### Data of Experiment from record Video

$C_s$	$L_{AC}$	$L_{BC}$	$\frac{L_{AC}}{L_{BC}}$
68	27	73	
100	40	60	
470	75	25	
1000	87	13	

$C_s(\mu F)$

$$C_s = C_x * (L_{AC}/L_{BC})$$

Slope =  $C_x$

$\frac{L_{AC}}{L_{BC}}$