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manuals of the various instruments. Similarly the student is expected to refer to his Electricity and Magnetism text for basic theory not directly related to instrumentation. However, the author as an experienced teacher is aware of the inadequacies of most undergraduate texts in presenting certain topics such as transmission lines, and at these points he has included basic

A useful discussion of errors, particularly in terms of mean square deviations, is given. This discussion unfortunately does not describe methods for the estimate and use of maximum limits of error associated with a single measurement of a quantity.

Procedural instructions for over forty experiments are included in the book. These will prove useful in many laboratory courses. However, in an increasing number of courses there is a desire to develop new experiments which not only provide experience in electrical measurements, but also simultaneously provide students with the opportunity to explore interesting and important phenomena of fundamental physics, particularly solidstate physics. Even though special procedural instructions will have to be prepared locally for these courses, a good reference book on electrical measurements will still be necessary. Michel's text will be very useful in fulfilling this need.

Correction:

In the review of Gas Discharges II, Vol. 22 of the Handbuch der Physik, by S. A. Korff (Physics Today, Jan. 1957, p. 45), Gordon Francis, the author of the section on Glow Discharge at Low Pressure, was identified with Cambridge, England. Dr. Francis is at the Clarendon Laboratory, Oxford.

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