Circuit 1 uses a potential divider and circuit 2 uses a variable resistor to vary the potential difference across the filament lamp.

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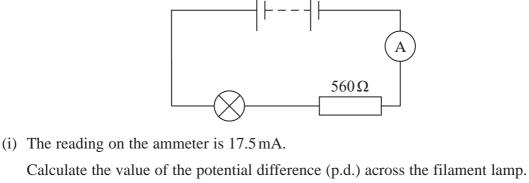
(3)

A student is planning to collect data to produce a current-potential difference graph for a

filament lamp. Her teacher suggests two circuits that she could use.

*(a) Discuss the suitability of each circuit to collect the data.

(b) The student sets up the following circuit with the filament lamp. The battery has negligible internal resistance.



p.d. across filament lamp =

12 V

(ii) When a voltmeter with a resistance of $1.5\,k\Omega$ is connected as shown, the p.d.

across the filament lamp decreases.

