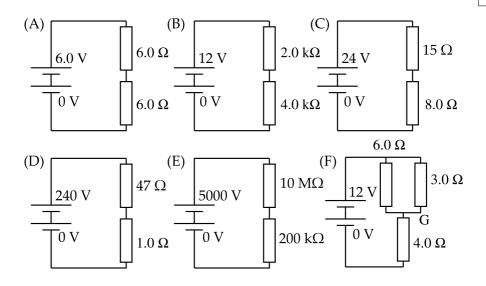
## C5 Potential Dividers

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C5.1 What is the voltage across the bottom resistor in circuit (A)?

## C5.2 In circuit (B):

- a) What is the voltage across the bottom resistor?
- b) What would the potential of the point between the resistors be if the 2.0 k $\Omega$  resistor were removed, leaving a gap in its place?
- c) What would the potential of the point between the resistors be if the  $4.0~k\Omega$  resistor were removed, leaving a gap in its place?
- d) What would the potential of the point between the resistors be if the 2.0 k $\Omega$  resistor were removed and a wire was attached in its place to complete the circuit?
- e) A voltmeter with resistance 10 k $\Omega$  is used to measure the voltage across the 4.0 k $\Omega$  resistor. What would it read?
- C5.3 What is the voltage across the bottom resistor in circuit (C)?
- C5.4 What is the voltage across the bottom resistor in circuit (D)?

- C5.5 What is the voltage across the bottom resistor in circuit (E)?
- C5.6 What is the potential at G, the junction between the two resistors in parallel and the one in series, in circuit (F)?
- C5.7 The 8.0  $\Omega$  resistance in circuit (C) is a loudspeaker (the battery represents the amplifier). The other resistor is replaced with a variable resistor which can take all values between 0  $\Omega$  and 30  $\Omega$ , and is used as a volume control. This volume control changes the voltage across the speaker. What is the range of speaker voltages which are possible? (Give the minimum and maximum.)
- C5.8 A thermistor has a resistance of 800  $\Omega$  at a temperature of 16 °C. It is wired in series with a fixed resistor and a 9.0 V battery. A high-resistance voltmeter is connected to give a 'temperature' reading.
  - a) If the voltage reading is to go up when the temperature increases, should the voltmeter be connected in parallel with the thermistor or the fixed resistor?
  - b) If the voltmeter needs to read 3.0 V when the temperature is  $16\,^{\circ}\text{C}$ , what is the resistance of the fixed resistor?