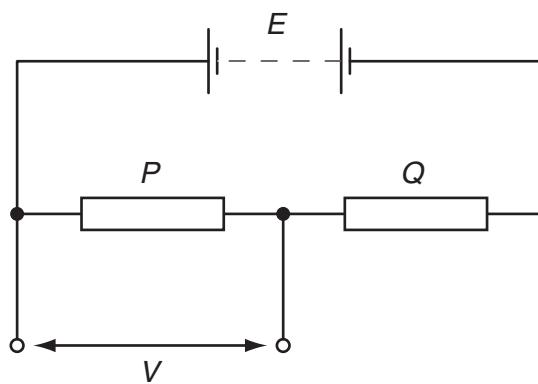


- 7 A potential divider circuit consists of two resistors of resistances  $P$  and  $Q$ , as shown in Fig. 7.1.



**Fig. 7.1**

The battery has e.m.f.  $E$  and negligible internal resistance.

- (a) Deduce that the potential difference  $V$  across the resistor of resistance  $P$  is given by the expression

$$V = \frac{P}{P + Q} E.$$

[2]

- (b) The resistances  $P$  and  $Q$  are  $2000\Omega$  and  $5000\Omega$  respectively.  
 A voltmeter is connected in parallel with the  $2000\Omega$  resistor and a thermistor is connected in parallel with the  $5000\Omega$  resistor, as shown in Fig. 7.2.

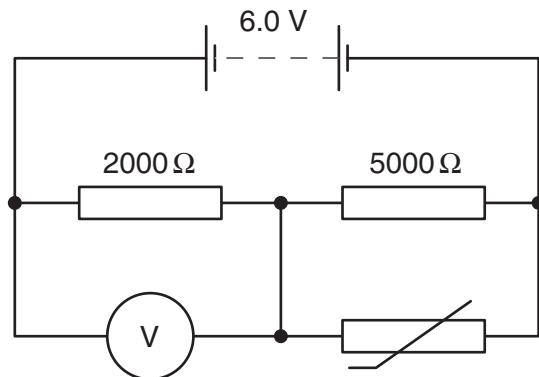


Fig. 7.2

The battery has e.m.f. 6.0V. The voltmeter has infinite resistance.

- (i) State and explain qualitatively the change in the reading of the voltmeter as the temperature of the thermistor is raised.

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- (ii) The voltmeter reads 3.6V when the temperature of the thermistor is  $19^\circ\text{C}$ . Calculate the resistance of the thermistor at  $19^\circ\text{C}$ .

resistance = .....  $\Omega$  [4]