7 **(a)** State Kirchhoff's first law.

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.....[1]

(b) A potentiometer is connected to a battery of electromotive force (e.m.f.) 9.6 V and negligible internal resistance, as shown in Fig. 7.1.

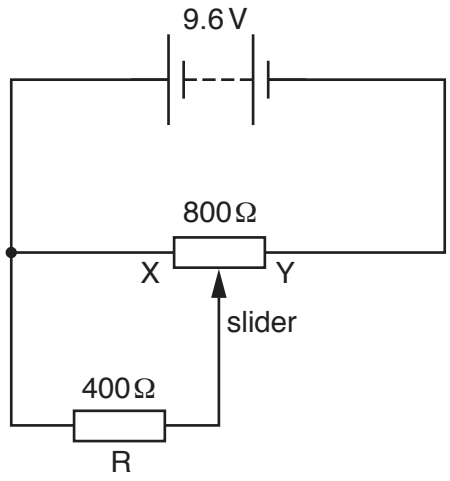

Fig. 7.1

The maximum resistance of the potentiometer is 800 Ω. A resistor R of resistance 400 Ω is connected between the slider and end X of the potentiometer.

(i) State the potential difference across resistor R when the slider is positioned

1. at end X of the potentiometer,

potential difference = ... V

2. at end Y of the potentiometer.

potential difference = ... V
[2]

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(ii) Calculate the potential difference across resistor R when the slider is positioned half-way between X and Y.

potential difference = ... V [3]

[Total: 6]

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