

- 6 (a) A cell of e.m.f. 1.5 V and internal resistance $0.25\ \Omega$ is connected in series with a resistor R , as shown in Fig. 6.1.

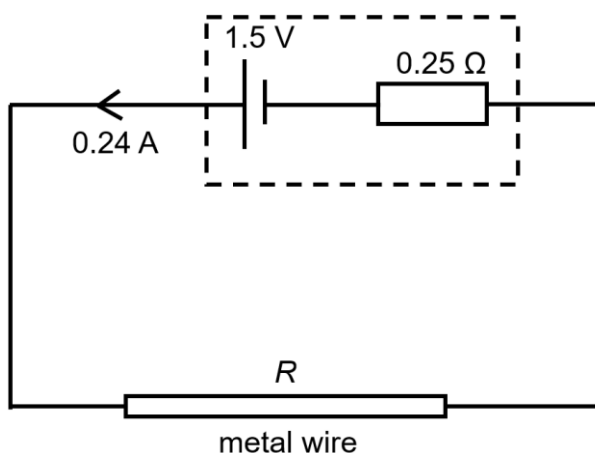


Fig. 6.1

The resistor R is made of metal wire.

A current of 0.24 A passes through R for a time of 5.0 minutes.

Calculate

- (i) the charge that passes through the cell,

charge = C [1]

- (ii) the total energy transferred by the cell,

energy = J [2]

- (iii) the energy transferred in the resistor R ,

energy = J [2]

(iv) the resistance of R.

resistance = Ω [2]

- (b) Two cells identical to the one in (a) are now connected in series with a fixed resistor of resistance $2000\ \Omega$ and a thermistor, as shown in Fig. 6.2.

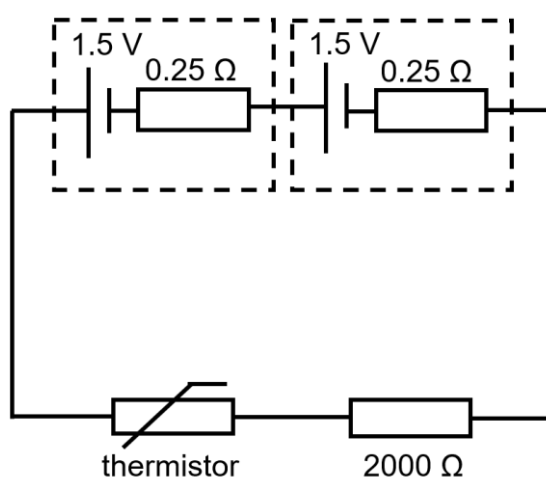


Fig. 6.2

The thermistor has resistance $4000\ \Omega$ at $0\ ^\circ\text{C}$ and $1800\ \Omega$ at $20\ ^\circ\text{C}$.

- (i) Explain why, in this circuit, the internal resistance of the cells may be considered to be negligible.

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- (ii) In one particular application of the circuit of Fig. 6.2, it is desired that the potential difference across the **fixed** resistor should range from 1.2 V at 0 °C to 2.4 V at 20 °C.

Determine whether it is possible to achieve this range of potential differences.

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