

- 5 The photograph shows a statue of Buddha in Sri Lanka, which is protected by a lightning conductor.



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- (a) During a storm, a potential difference of 2.7 MV was generated between a cloud and the top of the lightning conductor on the statue. A flash of lightning passed between the cloud and the lightning conductor, producing a current of 25 kA for a time of 7.5 ms .

Calculate the energy transferred by the lightning strike.

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Energy transferred =

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- (b) The lightning conductor is a length of copper wire with a diameter of $1.2 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m}$ and a resistance of $4.3 \times 10^{-3} \Omega$. It runs along the back of the statue from the base to a height of 1.5 m above the top of the statue.

A guidebook claims that the statue is over 30 m high.

Assess the validity of this claim.

resistivity of copper = $1.7 \times 10^{-8} \Omega \text{ m}$

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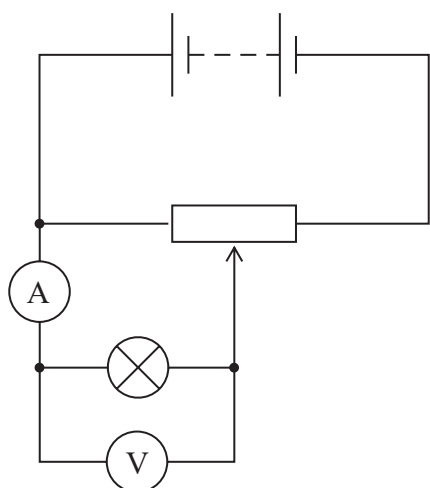
- (c) Give a reason why the lightning conductor should be taller than the statue.

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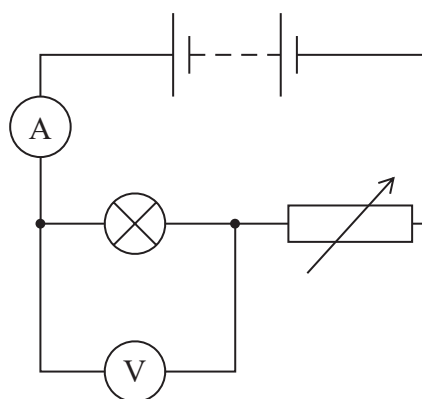
(Total for Question 5 = 8 marks)



- 9 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.



Circuit 1



Circuit 2

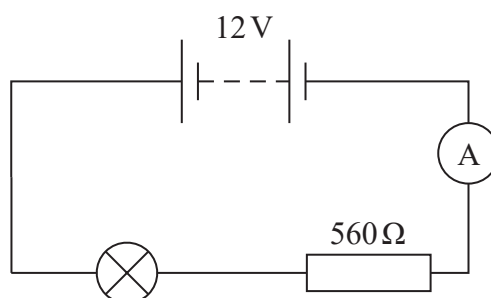
Circuit 1 uses a potential divider and circuit 2 uses a variable resistor to vary the potential difference across the filament lamp.

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

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



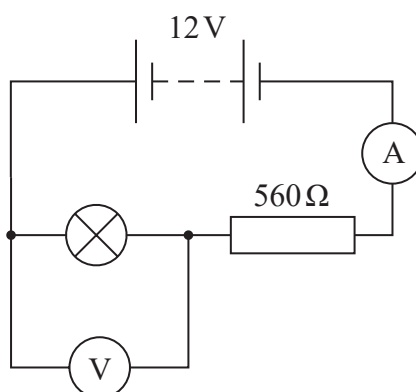
- (i) The reading on the ammeter is 17.5 mA.

Calculate the value of the potential difference (p.d.) across the filament lamp.

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p.d. across filament lamp =

- (ii) When a voltmeter with a resistance of 1.5 kΩ is connected as shown, the p.d. across the filament lamp decreases.

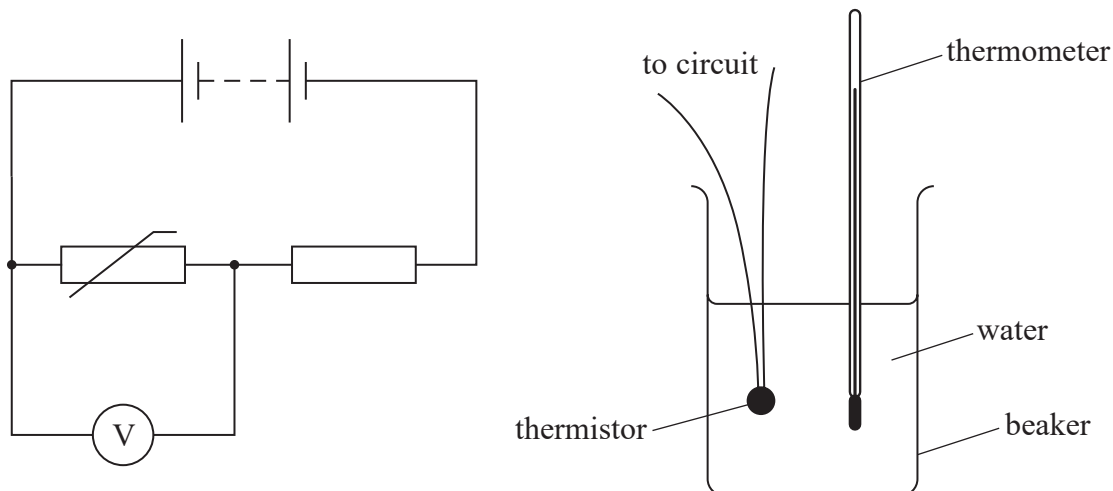


Explain why the p.d. across the filament lamp decreases.

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(Total for Question 9 = 11 marks)

- 11 A student carried out an experiment to calibrate a thermistor. She connected the thermistor in series with a resistor and a power supply as shown. Then she placed the thermistor in a beaker of hot water and used a thermometer to record the temperature θ of the water.



The student recorded θ and corresponding values of the reading V on the voltmeter as the water cooled.

- (a) Explain, making reference to charge carriers, why V increased as the water cooled.

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(b) Over a limited temperature range V varies with θ according to the expression

$$V = V_0 e^{-b\theta}$$

where b and V_0 are constants.

(i) Explain why a graph of $\ln V$ against θ would give a straight line.

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(ii) The student's data is shown in the table below.

| $\theta/^\circ\text{C}$ | V/V | |
|-------------------------|-------|--|
| 89.0 | 1.9 | |
| 74.0 | 2.9 | |
| 53.5 | 4.9 | |
| 32.5 | 9.1 | |
| 18.5 | 12.6 | |
| 3.5 | 18.7 | |

Plot a graph of $\ln V$ against θ on the grid opposite. Use the column provided to show any processed data.

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(iii) Determine values for b and V_0 .

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$b =$

$V_0 =$

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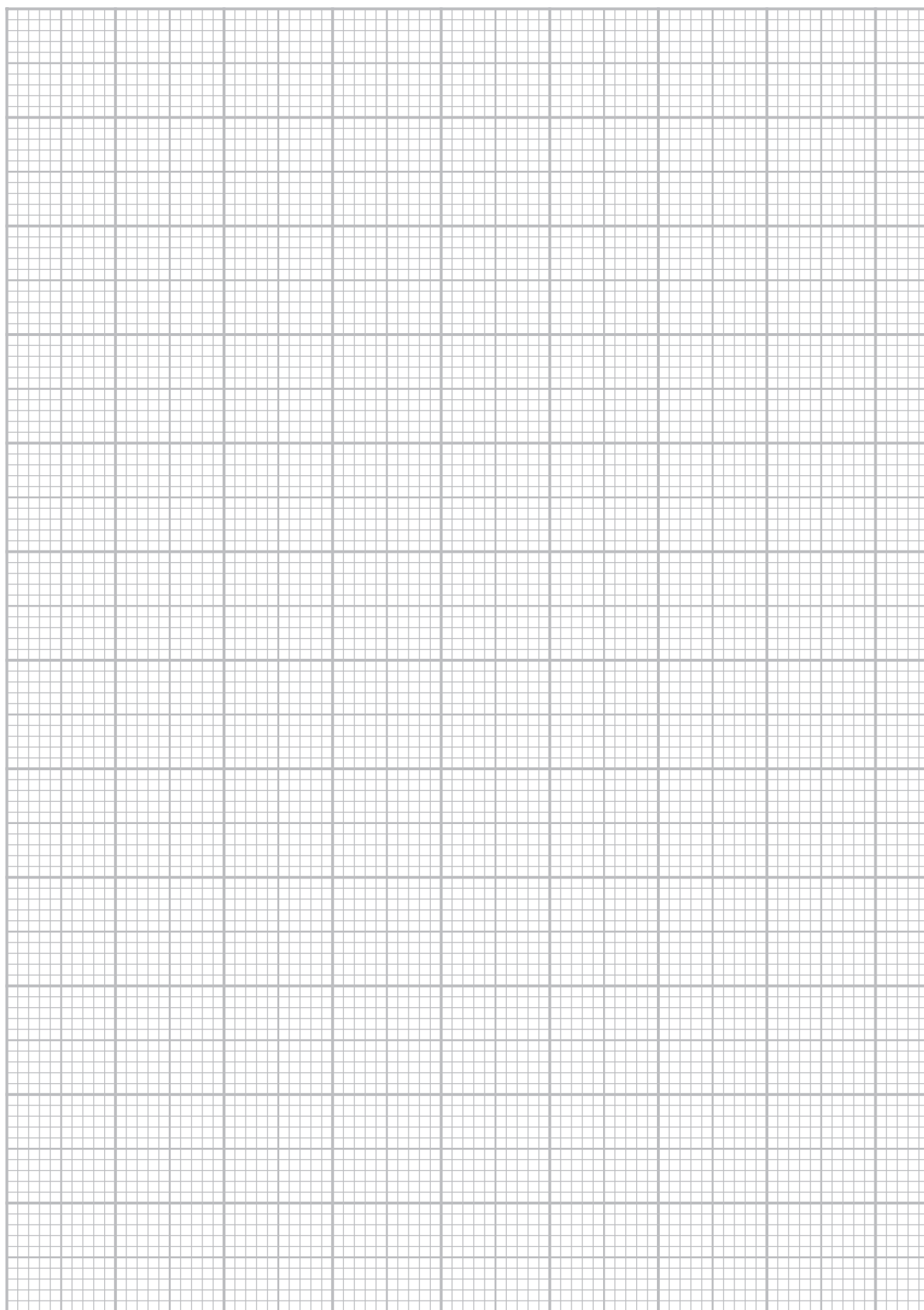
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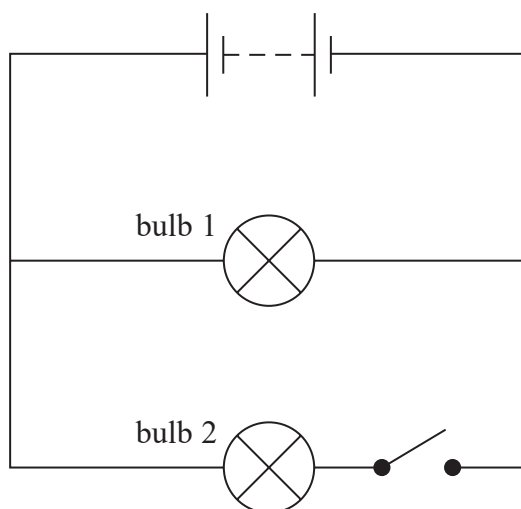
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(Total for Question 11 = 14 marks)



- 2 A battery has an e.m.f. of 12 V and an internal resistance of $0.50\ \Omega$. The battery is connected into a circuit, as shown.



Each bulb has a normal working power of 40 W when a potential difference (p.d.) of 12 V is applied.

- (a) Initially the switch is open.

Calculate the terminal p.d. of the battery when bulb 1 is lit. Assume that the resistance of the bulb has its normal working value.

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Terminal p.d. of battery =

- (b) Explain how the brightness of bulb 1 changes when the switch is closed. No further calculations are necessary.

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(Total for Question 2 = 7 marks)

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