

Electronics

Question paper 2

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1 An operational amplifier (op-amp) may be used as part of the processing unit in an electronic sensor.

(a) State three properties of an ideal op-amp.

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- 2.
- 3.

[3]

(b) A comparator circuit incorporating an ideal op-amp is shown in Fig. 9.1.

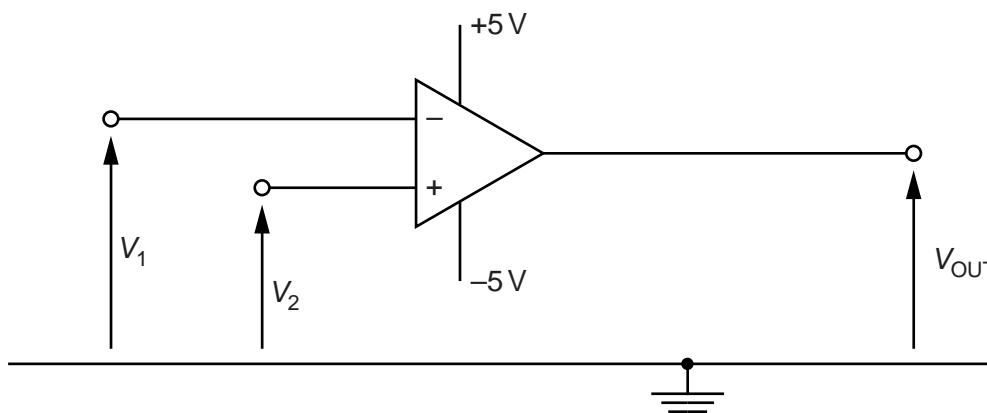


Fig. 9.1

(i) In one application of the comparator, V_2 is kept constant at +1.5V. The variation with time t of the potential V_1 is shown in Fig. 9.2. The potential V_2 is also shown.

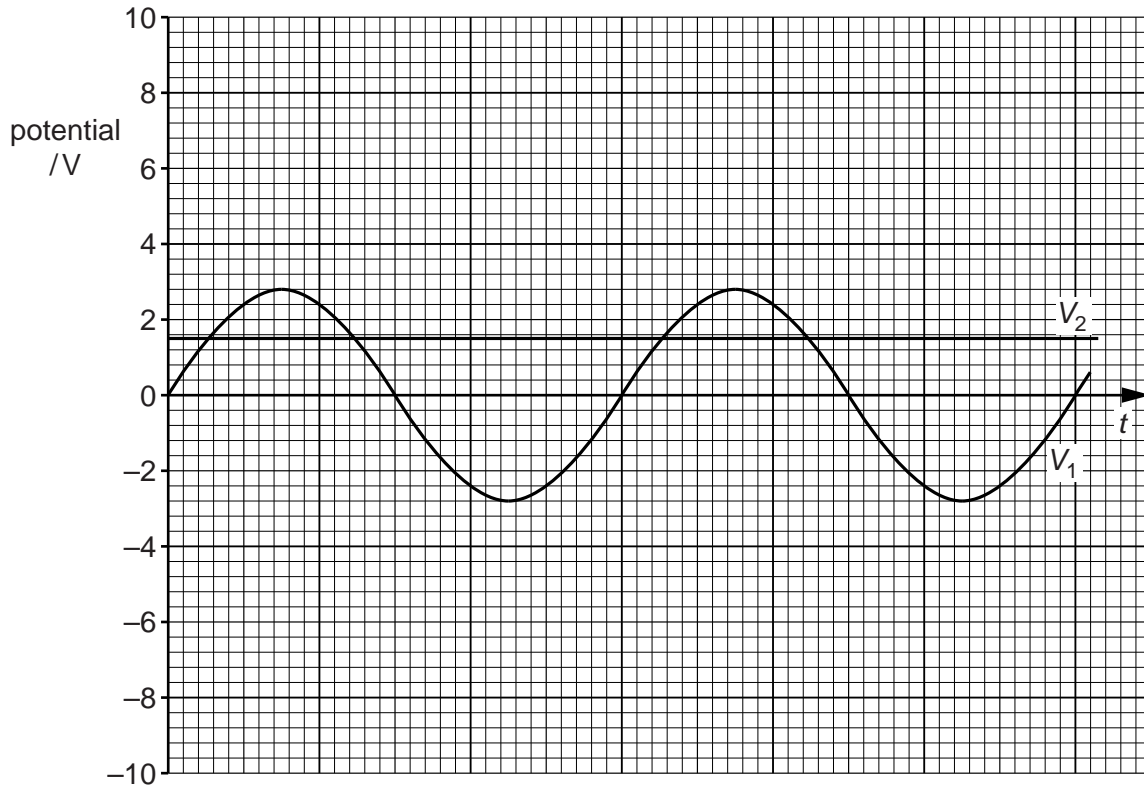


Fig. 9.2

On Fig. 9.2, show the variation with time t of the output potential V_{OUT} . [4]

- (ii) Two light-emitting diodes (LEDs) R and G are connected to the output of the op-amp in Fig. 9.1 such that R emits light for a longer time than G.

On Fig. 9.1, draw the symbols for the two diodes connected to the output of the op-amp and label the diodes R and G. [3]

- 2 A student designs an electronic sensor to monitor whether the temperature in a refrigerator is above or below a particular value. The circuit is shown in Fig. 9.1.

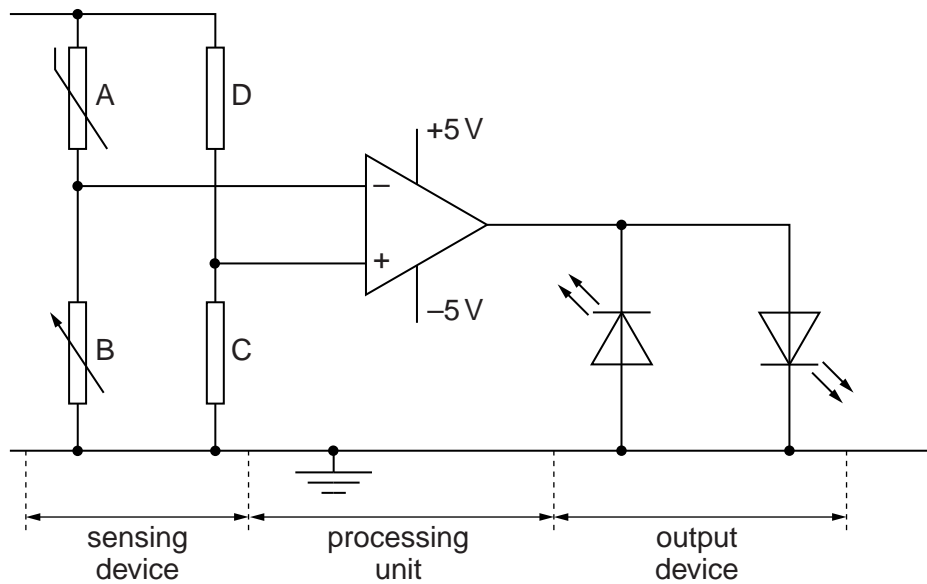


Fig. 9.1

- (a) Name the components used in the output device.

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- (b) An operational amplifier (op-amp) is used as the processing unit. Describe the function of this processing unit.

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- (c) State the function of

- (i) the resistors C and D,

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 [1]

- (ii) the resistor B.

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 [1]

(d) The output device of the circuit in Fig. 9.1 is changed so that the new output device may be used to switch on a high-voltage circuit.

(i) State the component that is used in the new output device.

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(ii) Draw on Fig. 9.2 to show how the component in (i), together with a diode, are connected so that the high voltage may be switched on when the output of the op-amp is negative.

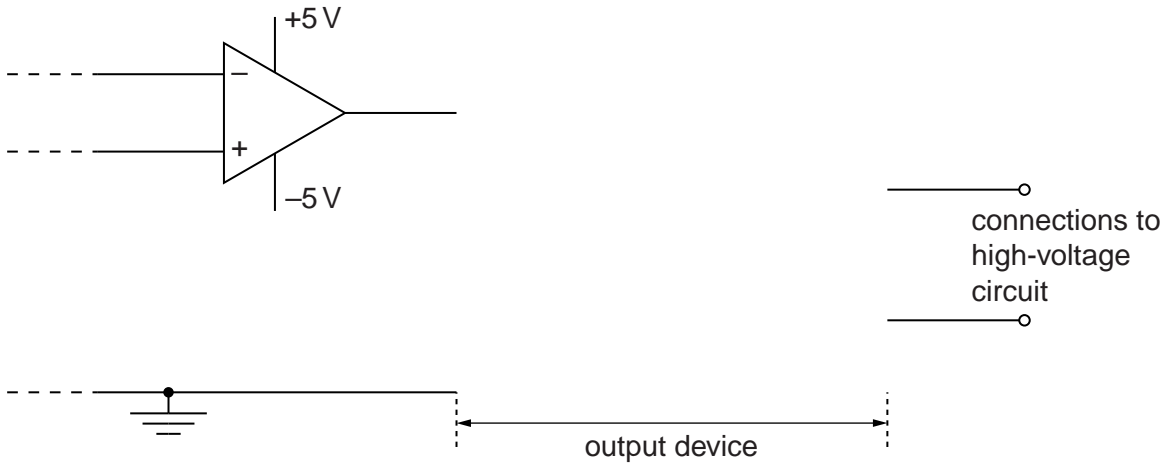


Fig. 9.2

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3 A student designs an electronic sensor that is to be used to switch on a lamp when the light intensity is low. Part of the circuit is shown in Fig. 10.1.

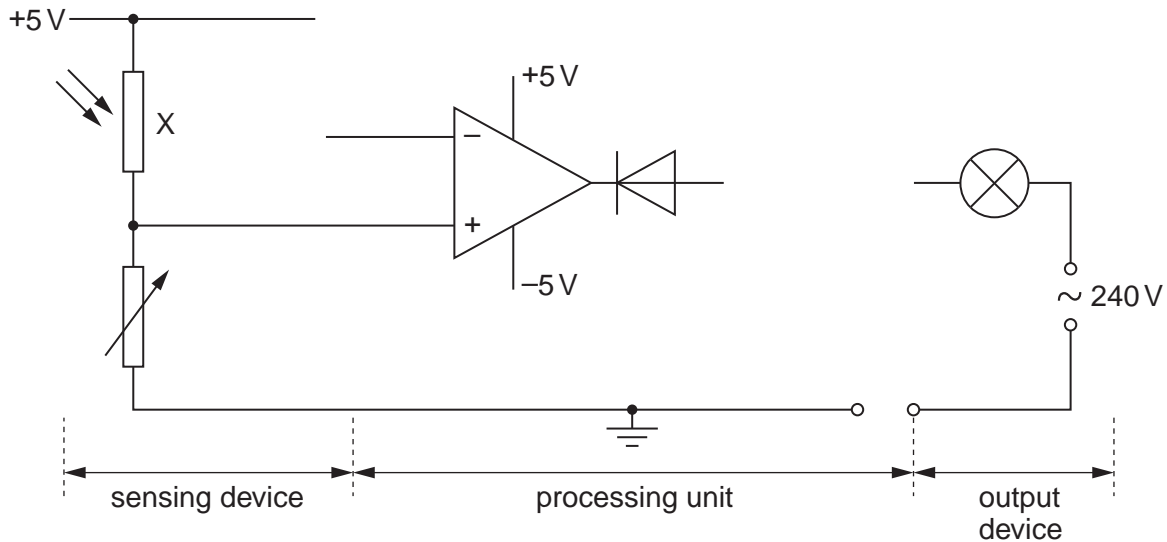


Fig. 10.1

(a) State the name of the component labelled X on Fig. 10.1.

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(b) On Fig. 10.1, draw the symbols for

(i) two resistors to complete the circuit for the sensing device, [2]

(ii) a relay to complete the circuit for the processing unit. [2]

(c) (i) State the purpose of the relay.

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 [1]

(ii) Suggest why the diode is connected to the output of the operational amplifier (op-amp) in the direction shown.

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 [2]

4 An operational amplifier (op-amp) may be used as part of the processing unit in an electronic sensor.

(a) State four properties of an ideal operational amplifier.

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[4]

(b) A comparator circuit incorporating an ideal op-amp is shown in Fig. 9.1.

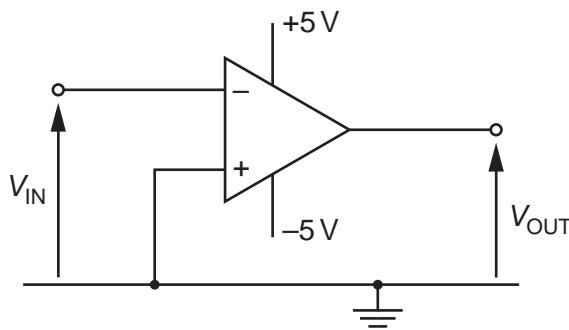


Fig. 9.1

The variation with time t of the input potential V_{IN} is shown in Fig. 9.2.

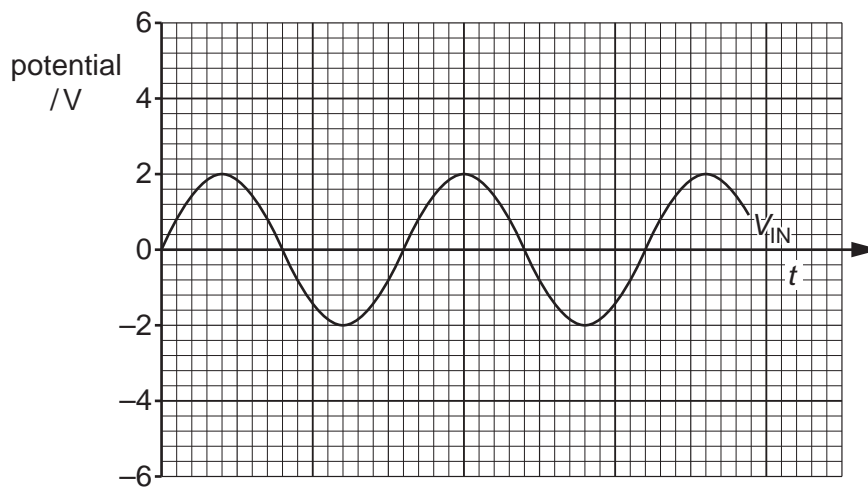


Fig. 9.2

On the axes of Fig. 9.2, draw a graph to show the variation with time t of the output potential V_{OUT} . [3]

- (c) The output potential V_{OUT} is to be displayed using two light-emitting diodes (LEDs). A diode emitting red light is to indicate when V_{OUT} is positive and a diode emitting green light is to be used to indicate when V_{OUT} is negative.

Complete Fig. 9.3 to show the connections of the two LEDs to the output of the op-amp. Label each LED with the colour of light that it emits.

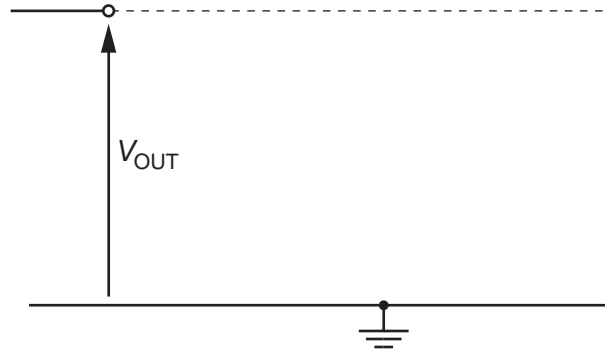


Fig. 9.3

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- 5 (a) State two effects of negative feedback on the gain of an amplifier incorporating an operational amplifier (op-amp).

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- (b) An incomplete circuit diagram of a non-inverting amplifier using an ideal op-amp is shown in Fig. 9.1.

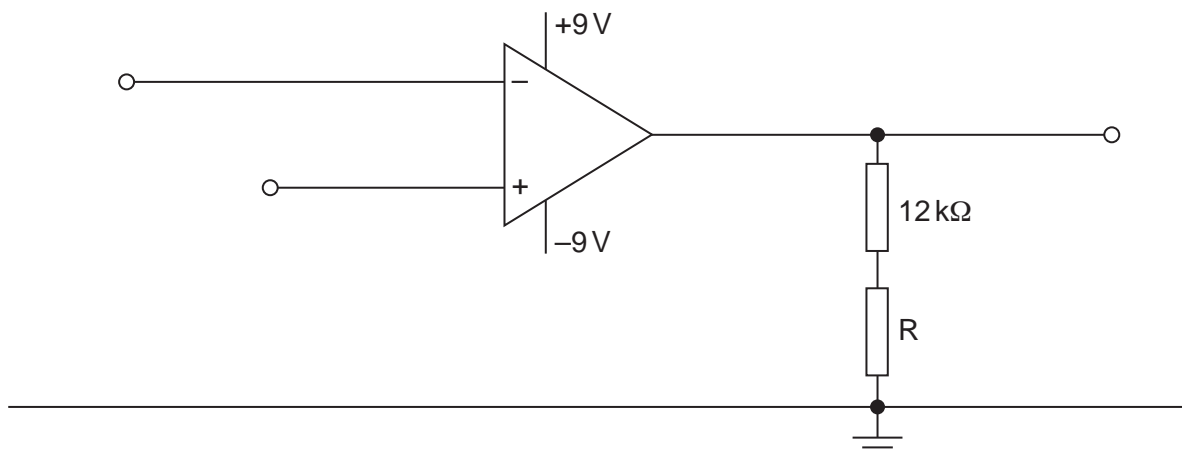


Fig. 9.1

- (i) Complete the circuit diagram of Fig. 9.1. Label the input and the output. [2]
- (ii) Calculate the resistance of resistor R so that the non-inverting amplifier has a voltage gain of 15.

resistance = Ω [2]

- (c) On Fig. 9.2, draw a graph to show the variation with input potential V_{IN} of the output potential V_{OUT} .
You should consider input potentials in the range 0 to +1.0V.

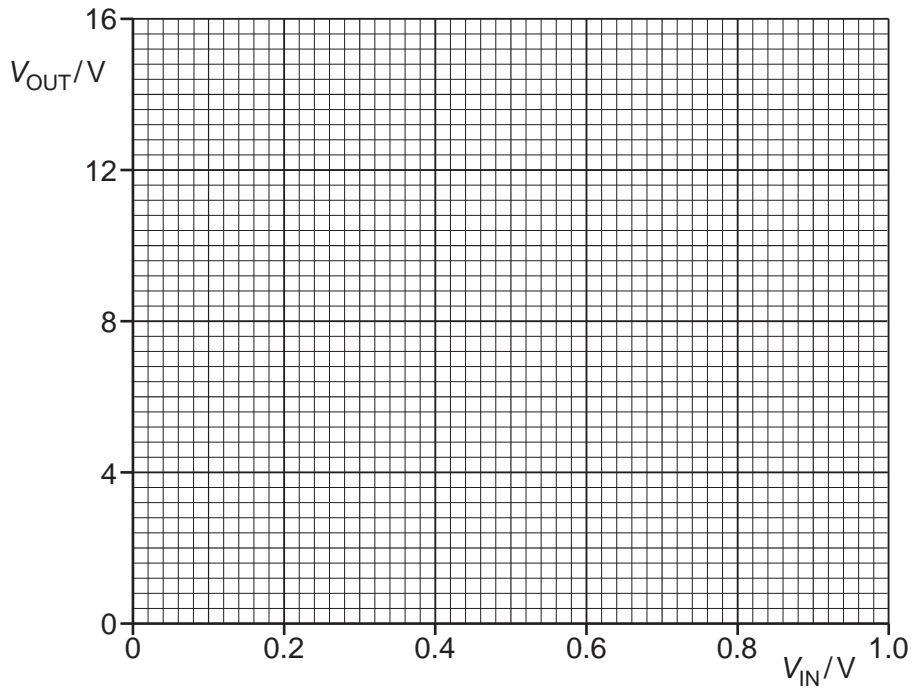


Fig. 9.2

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- (d) The output of the amplifier circuit of Fig. 9.1 may be connected to a relay.
State and explain one purpose of a relay.

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- 6 (a) An operational amplifier (op-amp) may be used as a comparator.
State the function of a comparator.

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- (b) The variation with temperature θ of the resistance R of a thermistor is shown in Fig. 9.1.

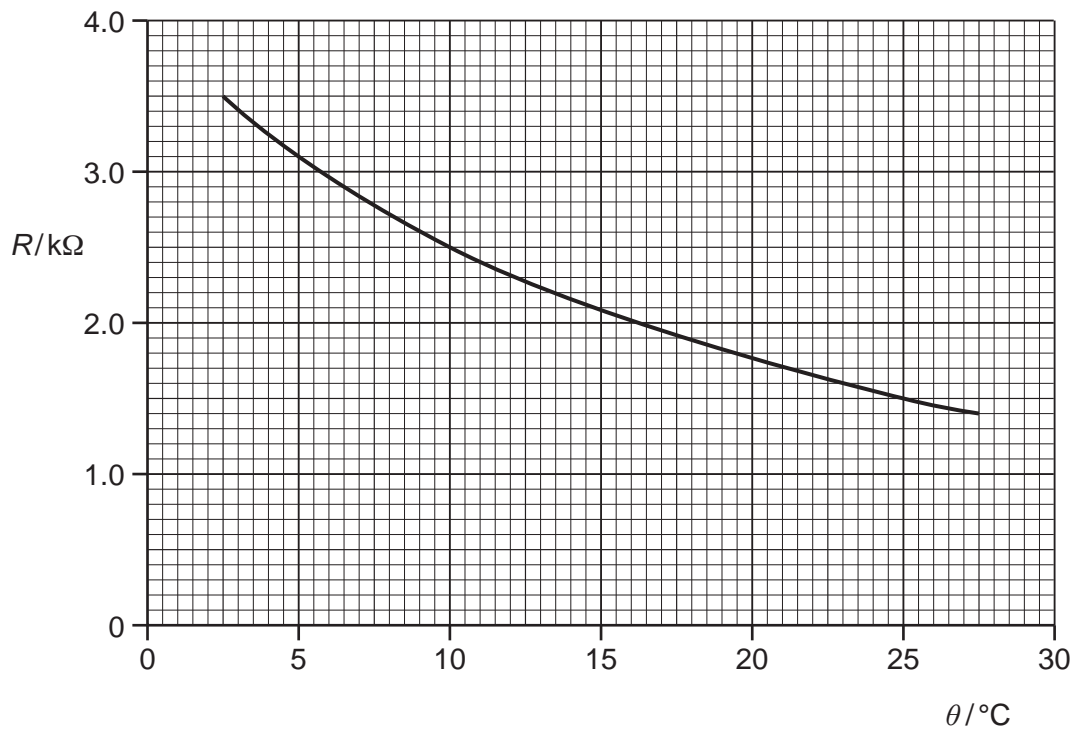


Fig. 9.1

The thermistor is connected into the circuit of Fig. 9.2.

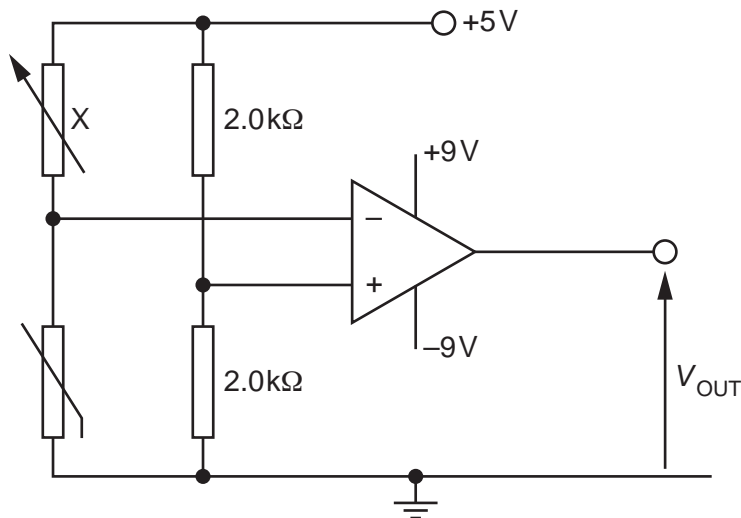


Fig. 9.2

The op-amp may be considered to be ideal.

- (i) The temperature of the thermistor is 10 °C.
Determine the resistance of the variable resistor X such that the output potential V_{OUT} is zero.

resistance = Ω [2]

- (ii) The resistance of the resistor X is now held constant at the value calculated in (i).
Describe the change in the output potential V_{OUT} as the temperature of the thermistor is changed from 5 °C to 20 °C.

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7 An amplifier circuit incorporating an operational amplifier (op-amp) is shown in Fig. 9.1.

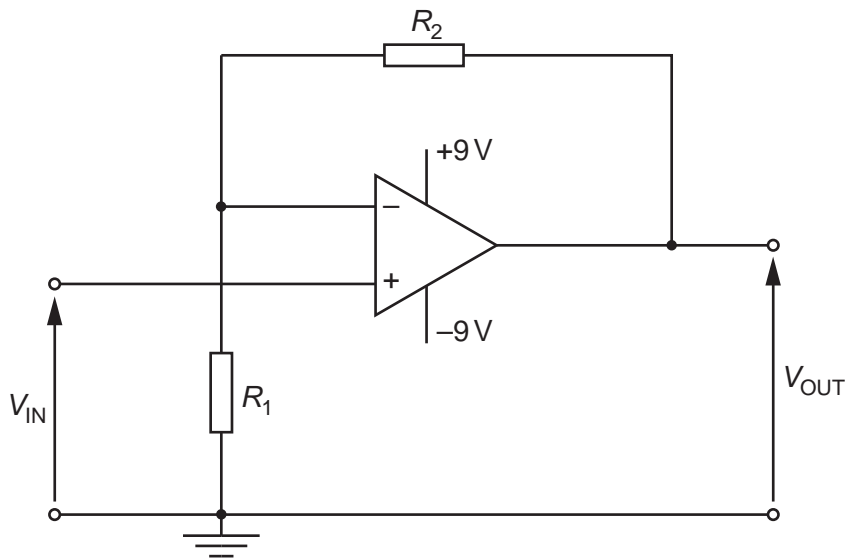


Fig. 9.1

(a) State

(i) the name of this type of amplifier circuit,

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(ii) the gain G in terms of resistances R_1 and R_2 .

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(b) The value of R_1 is $820\ \Omega$. The resistor of resistance R_2 is replaced with a light-dependent resistor (LDR).

The input potential difference V_{IN} is 15 mV .

Calculate the output potential difference V_{OUT} for the LDR having a resistance of

(i) $100\ \Omega$ (the LDR is in sunlight),

$$V_{OUT} = \dots\dots\dots\text{ V [2]}$$

(ii) $1.0\text{ M}\Omega$ (the LDR is in darkness).

$$V_{OUT} = \dots\dots\dots\text{ V [1]}$$