



EE1102 – Fundamentals of Electrical Engineering

4.0 Electric and Magnetic Fields

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Electric and Magnetic Fields (4 hrs)

Learning Outcome:

- Demonstrate knowledge of electricity and magnetism
- Determine force and energy in electric and magnetic fields
- Solve problems on capacitance, inductance and flux in a magnetic core

Content:

- Electrostatic Theory - Gauss's Law, Coulomb's Inverse Square Law
- Capacitance of dielectric – parallel plate and cylindrical
- Energy stored and force exerted in electric and magnetic fields
- Ohm's law in an electric field
- Electromagnetic Theory - Ampere's Law
- Calculation of flux in a magnetic circuit
- self and mutual inductance





Electrostatic Theory

Amber - Latin word Electrica from Greek word ἡλεκτρον (*ēlektron*)

Electrostatics is based on two laws

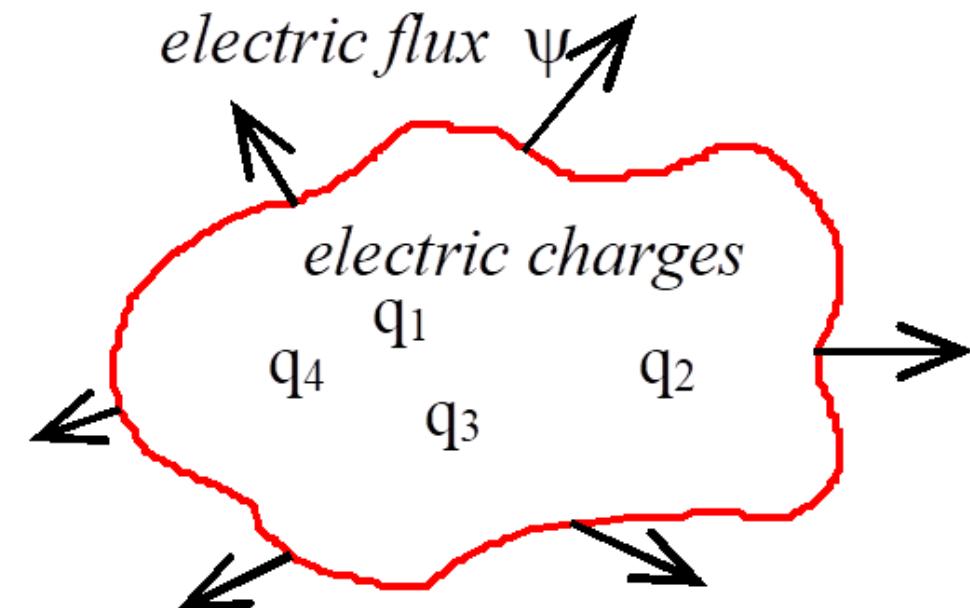
- i. Gauss's Law
- ii. Coulomb's Inverse Square Law

Gauss's Law

Total electric flux coming out of a closed surface is equal to the algebraic sum of the charge enclosed.

$$\psi = \Sigma q$$

[Unit of both electric flux ψ and charge q is coulomb (C)]





Electric flux density D

Amount of electric flux coming out per unit area normal to flux. [Unit: **coulomb per meter²** or **C/m²**]

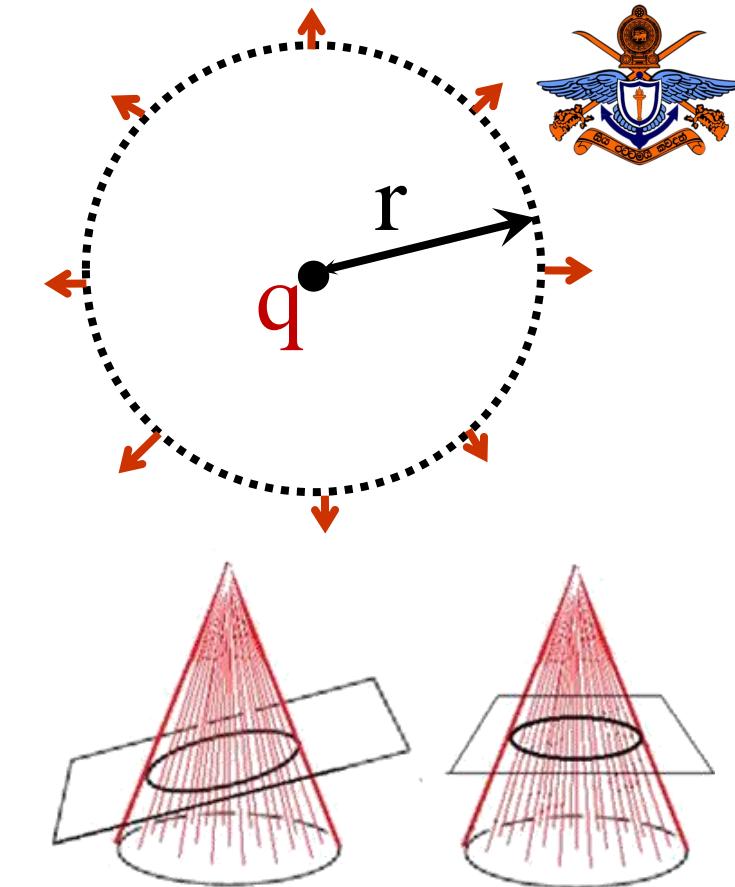
$$D = \psi/A$$

Consider imaginary sphere surrounding charge q .

Electric flux $\psi = q$

Cross-section taken perpendicular to direction of flux will go out equally in all directions through a surface area of $4\pi r^2$ normal to this surface.

\therefore electric flux density at radius r is $D_r = \frac{q}{4\pi r^2}$



Cross-section taken perpendicular to direction of flux





Coulomb's Inverse Square Law of Electrostatics

Force exerted by 2 point charges is proportional to

- product of charges
- inversely proportional to square of distance

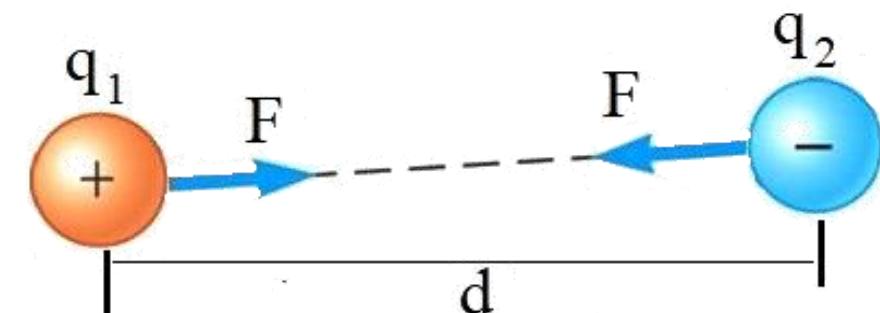
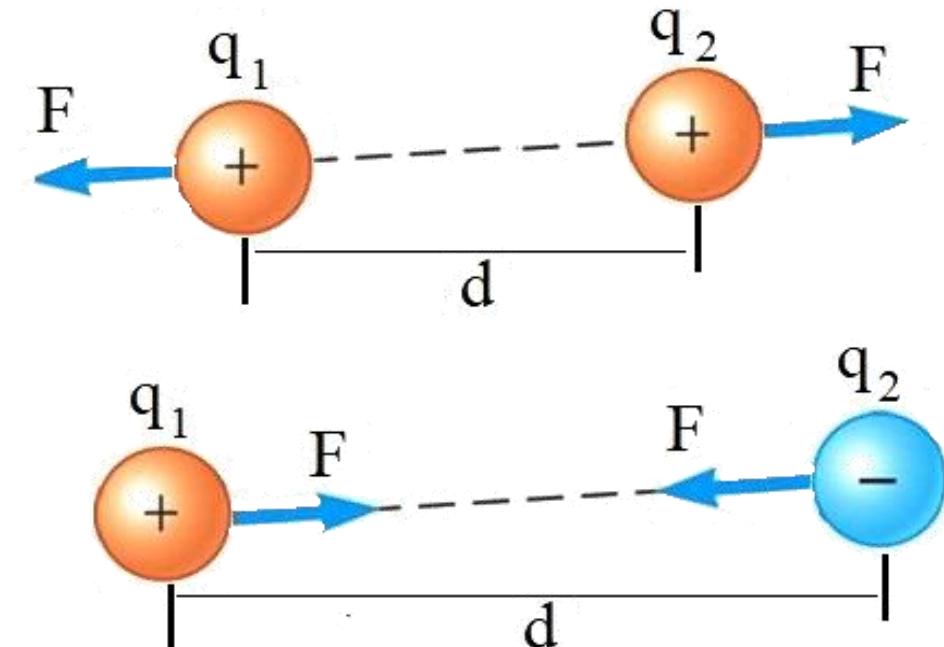
$$F \propto \frac{q_1 \cdot q_2}{d^2}$$

$$F = k \cdot \frac{q_1 \cdot q_2}{d^2}$$

The Electric field ξ at a point is defined as the force exerted on a unit positive charge placed at that point.

If field is produced by charge q_1 , then force acting on a charge $q_2 = +1$ will be at a distance r from the charge.

$$\xi_r = k \cdot \frac{q_1 \times 1}{r^2}$$





Permittivity

Electric flux density $D_r \propto q$ and $\propto \frac{1}{r^2}$, Electric field $\xi_r \propto q$ and $\propto \frac{1}{r^2}$
thus $D_r \propto \xi_r$

Permittivity ϵ of medium is defined as the ratio of D to ξ . i.e. $D = \epsilon \xi$.

[Unit of permittivity - farad per meter or F/m]

Constant k becomes $1/k = 4\pi \epsilon$

and inverse square law can be stated as $F = \frac{q_1 \cdot q_2}{4\pi \epsilon d^2}$

Permittivity of free space is $\epsilon_0 = 8.854 \times 10^{-12} \text{ F/m}$.

Usual to express permittivity as relative value by comparing with free space.

Relative Permittivity (also **dielectric constant**) ϵ_r of a material is defined as

$$\epsilon_r = \epsilon/\epsilon_0 \text{ or } \epsilon = \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r. [\epsilon_r \text{ is always greater than 1.}]$$

[Relative permittivity has no dimension and is thus without a unit].

[In practice relative permittivity of air (1.00060) is taken as unity]





Electric potential difference

Electric potential difference between two points A and B is defined as

- work that must be done, against the forces of an electric field,
 - in moving a unit positive charge from point A to point B.
- When a unit positive charge is moved an elemental distance dx in the direction of the force F,
- change in energy $dW = F \cdot dx$.
 - change in potential = dV
- force acting on a unit positive charge = ξ .

$$\therefore \xi \cdot dx = -dV$$

$$\text{or } \xi = -\frac{dV}{dx}$$

[Unit for electric field is **volt per meter** or **V/m**]





Capacitance of a dielectric

Capacitance of a dielectric (or insulating material) is the

- ability to store charge
- when placed between two electrodes
- when a potential difference has been applied.

Capacitance is defined as ratio of

- amount of charge transferred
- to the applied potential difference.

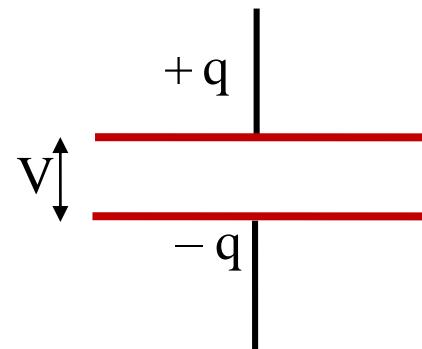
$$\text{i.e. } C = q/V \quad \text{or} \quad q = C \cdot V$$

[Unit of capacitance is the *farad* (*F*)]





Parallel plate capacitor

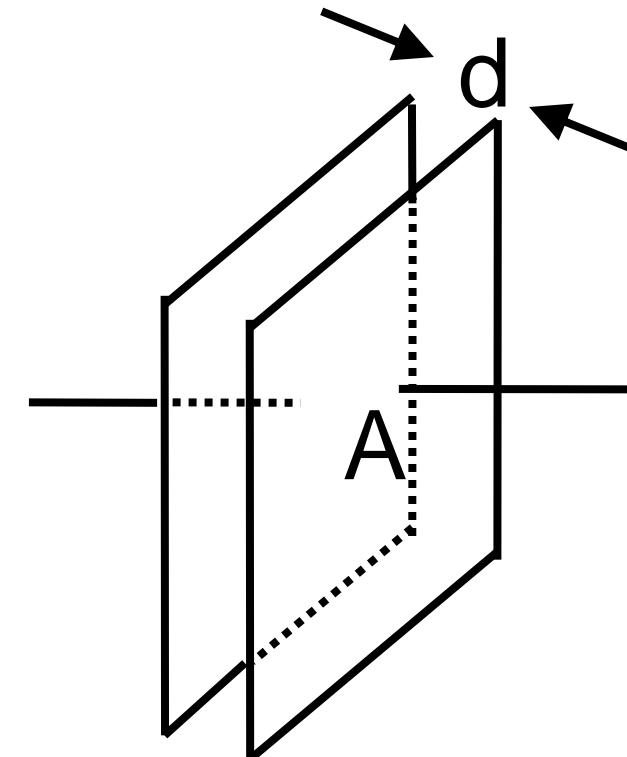


Simplest form of capacitor, where a dielectric (permittivity ϵ) of thickness d separates two parallel electrodes of cross-section area A .

From Gauss's theorem, $\psi = q$

$$\therefore D = \psi/A = q/A, \text{ also } D = \epsilon \cdot \xi = q$$

and for a uniform field, $\xi = dV/dx = V/d$



$$\therefore D = \epsilon \frac{V}{d} = \frac{q}{A}, \quad C = \frac{q}{V} = \frac{\epsilon A}{d}$$



Calculation of Capacitance

A parallel plate capacitor is built up of 3 materials, A (relative permittivity ϵ_{r1} , height h, width w_1 and depth d), B (relative permittivity ϵ_{r2} , height h_2 , width w_2 and depth d), C (relative permittivity ϵ_{r3} , height h_3 , width w_2 and depth d), such that $h_2+h_3 = h$ and $w_1+w_2=w$.

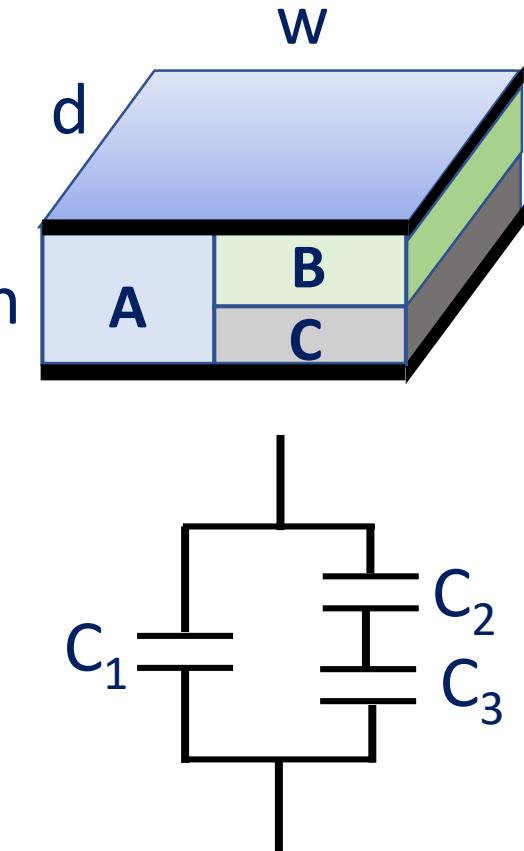
Determine the capacitance of the arrangement.

$$C_1 = \frac{d \cdot w_1 \epsilon_0 \epsilon_{r1}}{h}, \quad C_2 = \frac{d \cdot w_2 \epsilon_0 \epsilon_{r2}}{h_2}, \quad C_3 = \frac{d \cdot w_2 \epsilon_0 \epsilon_{r3}}{h_3},$$

$$\text{Therefore total } C = C_1 \text{ parallel } (C_2 \text{ series } C_3) = C_1 + \frac{C_2 C_3}{C_2 + C_3}$$

$$= \frac{d \cdot w_1 \epsilon_0 \epsilon_{r1}}{h} + \frac{d \cdot w_2 \epsilon_0 \epsilon_{r2} \epsilon_{r3}}{\epsilon_{r2} h_3 + \epsilon_{r3} h_2}$$

$$\text{with } h_2 + h_3 = h \text{ and } w_1 + w_2 = w$$



Cylindrical plate capacitor

From Gauss's theorem, $\psi = q$

$$D_r = \psi / A = q / 2\pi r l, \text{ also } D = \epsilon \xi = q / A$$

and $\xi = -dV/dr$

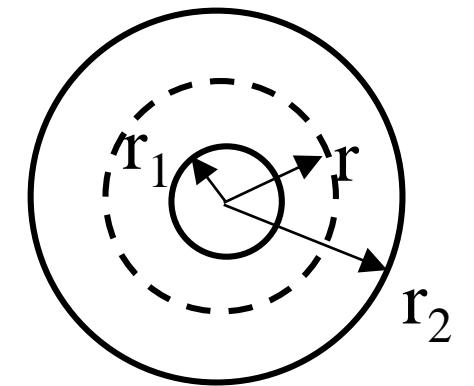
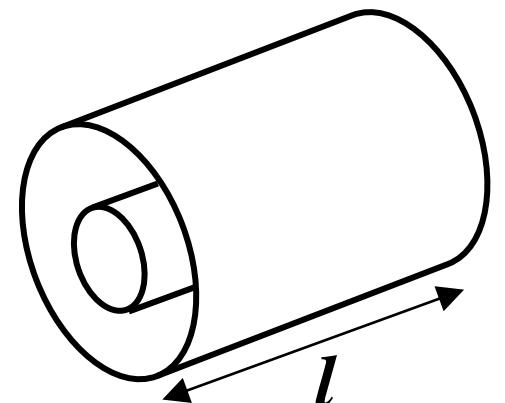
$$-\frac{dV}{dr} = \frac{q}{2\pi \epsilon r l}$$

$$\int_{V_1}^{V_2} dV = \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \frac{q}{2\pi \epsilon l} \frac{dr}{r}$$

Integration gives

$$-V_1 + V_2 = \frac{q}{2\pi \epsilon l} \ln \left[\frac{r_2}{r_1} \right]$$

$$C = \frac{2\pi \epsilon l}{\ln [r_2 / r_1]}$$



Energy stored in an electric field

For a parallel plate capacitor of cross-section A and spacing d

$$\text{Energy stored in a capacitor} = \int \nu \cdot i \cdot dt = \int \nu \cdot dq = \int \nu \cdot C \cdot dv = \frac{1}{2} Cv^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Energy stored/unit volume} &= \int \frac{\nu \cdot dq}{\text{volume}} = \int \frac{\nu \cdot dq}{d \cdot A} = \int \xi \cdot dD = \int \frac{D}{\epsilon} \cdot dD \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{D^2}{\epsilon} = \frac{1}{2} D \cdot \xi \quad \text{J/m}^3 \end{aligned}$$

Force exerted in an electric field

Move electrodes of parallel plate capacitor to change spacing by dx

$$\text{Change in energy stored} = \frac{1}{2} D \cdot \xi \times (\text{change in volume}) = \frac{1}{2} D \cdot \xi \cdot A \cdot dx$$

$$\text{Change in energy stored} = \text{work done} = F \cdot dx$$

$$\therefore F \cdot dx = \frac{1}{2} D \cdot \xi \cdot A \cdot dx \quad \text{or} \quad F = \frac{1}{2} D \cdot \xi \cdot A$$

$$\text{Force exerted on unit area in an electric field} = F/A = \frac{1}{2} D \cdot \xi \quad \text{N/m}^2$$





Ohm's Law in an electric field

For cylindrical volume, for a current flow I

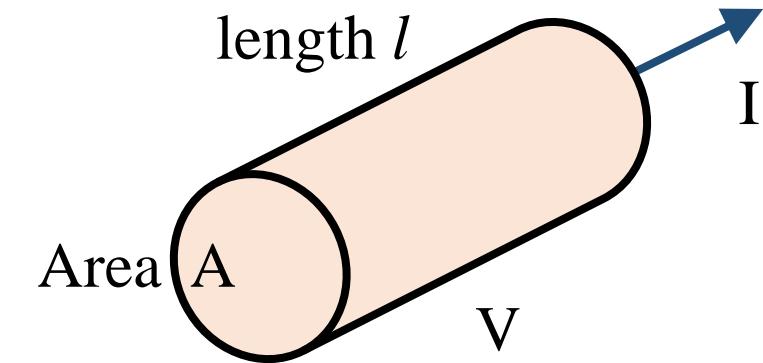
Current density in conducting medium $J = I/A$

for a uniform field in the medium

$$\xi = -dV/dx = V/l$$

Also, since $R = \rho l/A$ and $V = R \cdot I$,

$$\xi \cdot l = \frac{\rho l}{A} \cdot J \cdot A$$



This gives Ohm's law for an electric field as $\xi = \rho \cdot J$

or more commonly $J = \sigma \cdot \xi$

where conductivity $\sigma = 1/\rho$



Electromagnetic Theory

Basic theorem is **Ampere's Law**

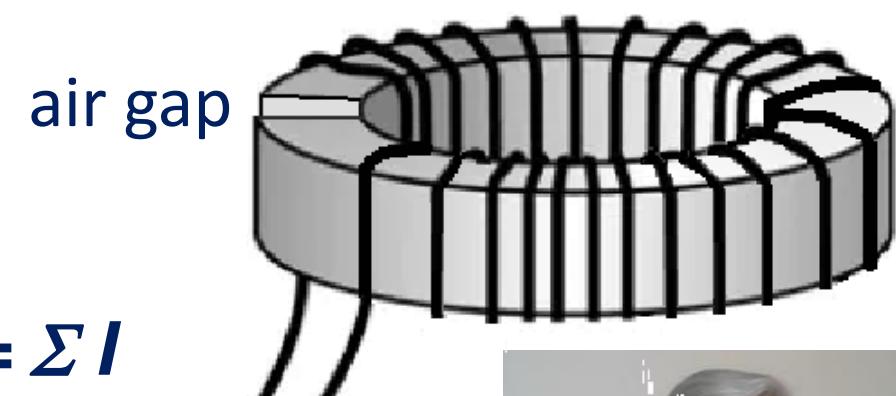
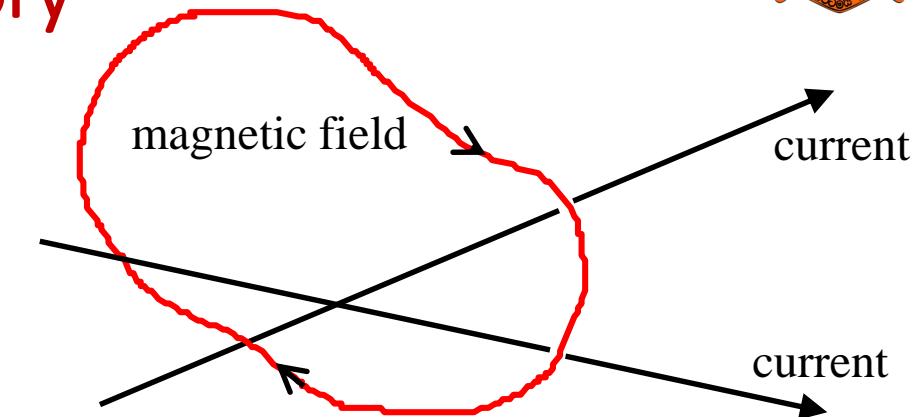
Ampere's Law states that the line integral of the magnetic field \mathbf{H} taken around a closed path is equal to the total current enclosed by the path.

$$\oint \mathbf{H} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = \sum I$$

For a uniform field, \mathbf{H} is a constant and $\mathbf{H} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = H \cdot l$

or if \mathbf{H} is constant over sections, then $\sum \mathbf{H} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = \sum I$

[Unit of magnetic field is **ampere per meter (A/m)**]



Magnetomotive force (mmf)

Magnetomotive force is flux producing ability of electric current in a magnetic circuit. [Similar to electromotive force in an electric circuit].

[Unit of magnetomotive force is **ampere (A)**]

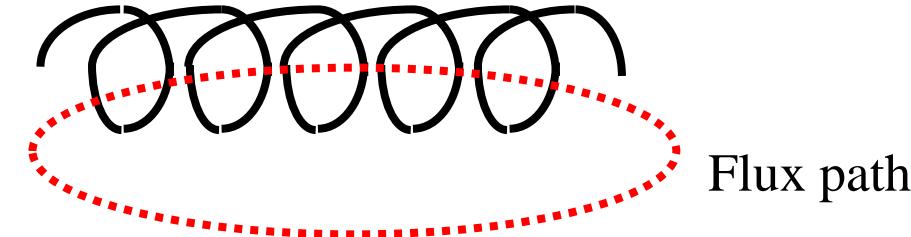
Note: Although some use *ampere-turns*, it is wrong as *turns* is not a unit

$$\text{mmf } \mathfrak{I} = \Sigma I$$

Consider a coil having N turns

It will link the flux path with each turn, so that total current linking with the flux would be $\Sigma I = N.I$

Thus from Ampere's Law, the **mmf** produced by a coil of N turns would be $N I$, and $N I = H l$.



Field produced by a long straight conductor

If a circular path of radius r is considered around a conductor carrying a current I ,

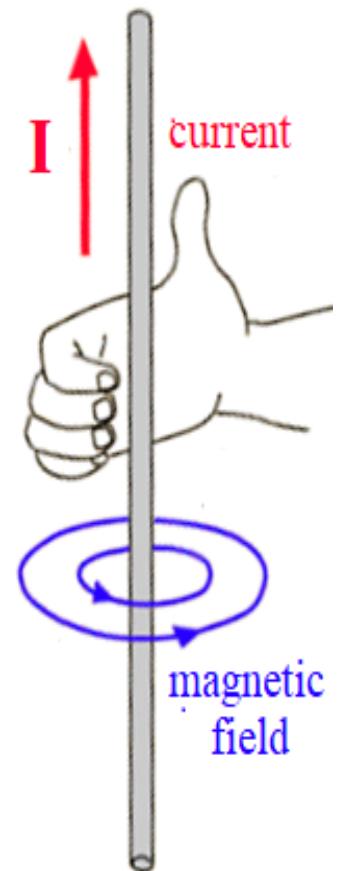
then the field H_r along this path would be constant by symmetry.

For a single conductor, $N = 1$

\therefore by Ampere's Law, $I \cdot I = H_r \cdot 2\pi r$

$$H_r = \frac{I}{2\pi r}$$

at radial distance r from conductor.



Field produced inside a toroid

A toroid is wound uniformly with N turns.

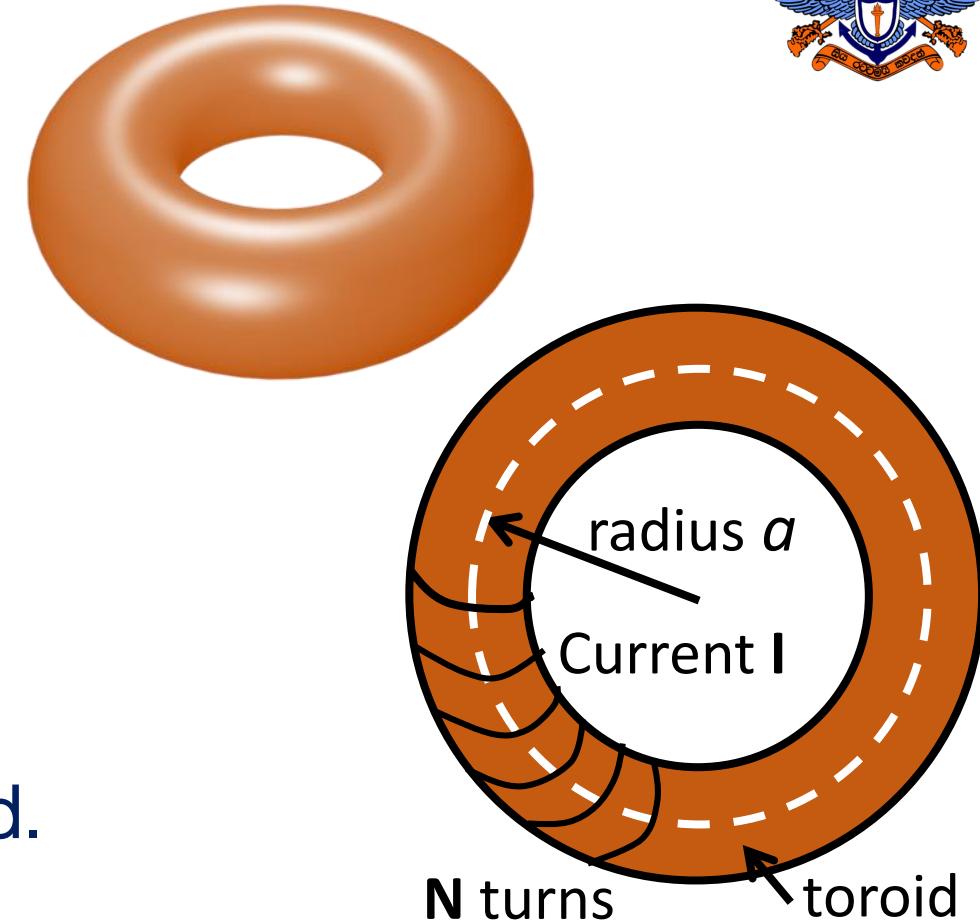
mean radius of magnetic path = a ,

then magnetic path length = $2\pi a$,

total mmf produced = $N I$.

From Ampere's Law

magnetic field is $H = \frac{NI}{2\pi a}$ inside the toroid.



[variation of magnetic field inside the cross section of the toroid is usually not considered and is assumed uniform].



Magnetic flux density

Magnetic field H gives rise to a magnetic flux ϕ ,

[Unit of magnetic flux - *weber (Wb)*]

For a given area A , flux ϕ has a magnetic flux density $B = \phi/A$

[Unit of magnetic flux density - *tesla (T)*]

Relationship between B and H is given by permeability μ .

$$B = \mu H, \text{ where } \mu = \mu_0 \mu_r,$$

μ_r = relative permeability

$\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ H/m}$ is permeability of free space

[permeability of air taken equal to that of free space, as relative permeability = 1.00000037]

[Unit of permeability is *henry per meter (H/m)*].



Reluctance of a magnetic path

Reluctance S is offered to flow of magnetic flux when mmf is applied.

Thus $\text{mmf} = \text{Reluctance} \times \text{flux}$ or $\mathfrak{I} = S \cdot \phi$

For a uniform field, $\mathfrak{I} = NI = H \cdot l$, and $\phi = B \cdot A = \frac{\mu}{l} H \cdot A$

$$\therefore H \cdot l = S \cdot \mu H \cdot A \rightarrow \text{magnetic reluctance } S = \frac{l}{\mu A}$$

where l = length and A = cross-section

[Unit of magnetic reluctance is **henry⁻¹ (H^{-1})**]

Magnetic Permeance Λ is the inverse of the magnetic reluctance.

$$\text{Thus } \Lambda = \frac{1}{S} = \frac{\mu A}{l}$$

[Unit of magnetic permeance is **henry (H)**]



Determination of Flux in a Magnetic Circuit

Each outer limb – A_o, L_o, μ

Middle limb – A_m, L_m, μ

Air gap – A_a, L_a, μ_0

Assuming uniform field, Reluctance $S = L/\mu A$

Thus \mathfrak{I}, S_o, S_m , and S_a are calculated as

$$\mathfrak{I} = N \cdot I$$

$$S_o = L_o / (\mu_0 \mu_r A_o)$$

$$S_m = L_m / (\mu_0 \mu_r A_m) \text{ and}$$

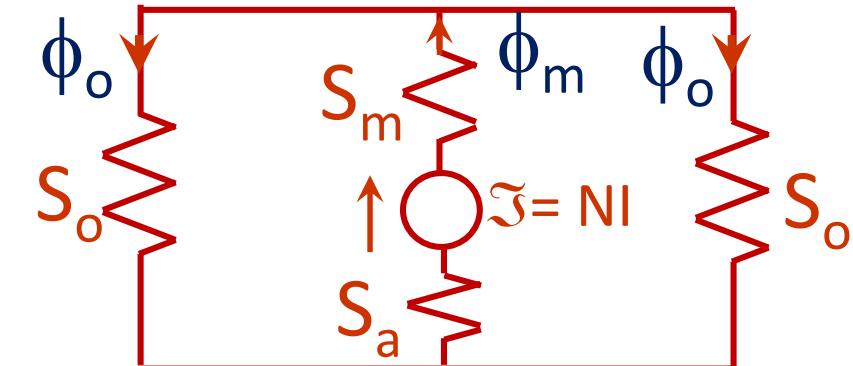
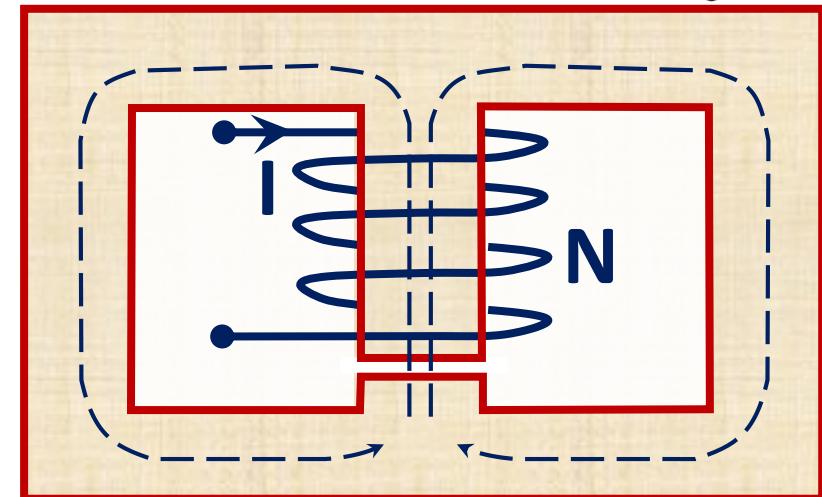
$$S_a = L_a / (\mu_0 A_a)$$

Magnetic equivalent circuit can be drawn as shown.

Due to symmetry, flux $\phi_m = 2\phi_o$ and calculated as in resistive circuit.

$$\phi_m = \frac{N \cdot I}{S_m + S_a + \frac{1}{2} S_o}$$

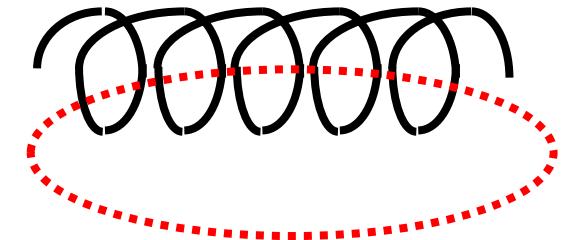
$$\text{and } \phi_o = \frac{N \cdot I}{2S_m + 2S_a + S_o}$$



Self Inductance

While reluctance is a property of magnetic circuit, the corresponding electrical quantity is inductance.

Induced emf $e = N \frac{d\phi}{dt} = L \frac{di}{dt}$, $N\phi = Li$, $L = \frac{N\phi}{i}$



Self inductance L of a winding is the flux linkage produced in the same winding due to unit current flowing through it.

For N turn coil, if magnetic flux is ϕ , flux linkage with coil is $N\phi$.

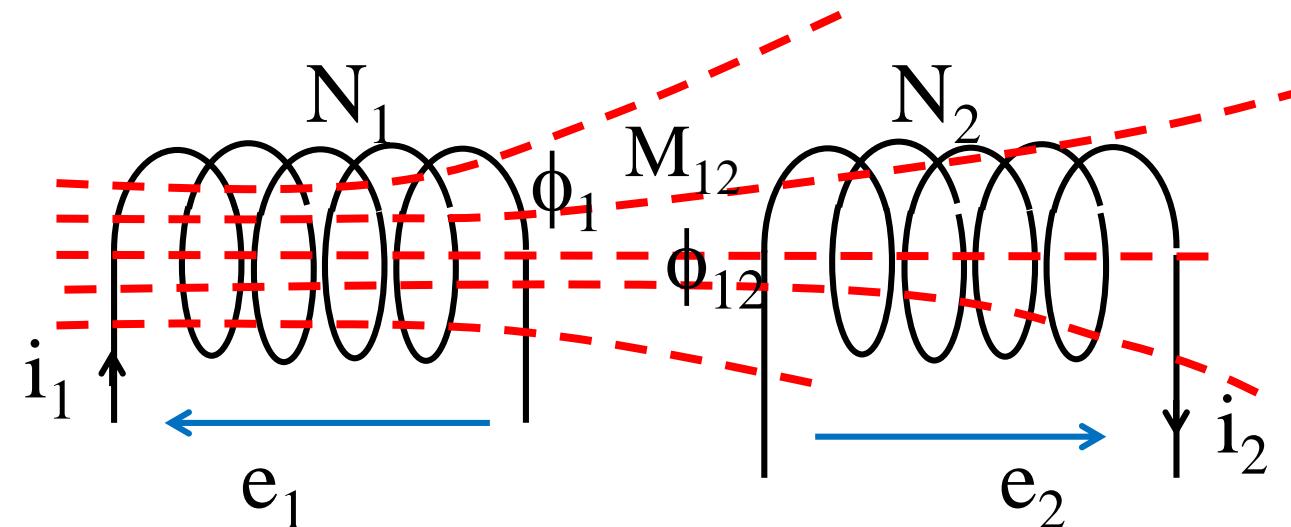
also since $NI = S\phi$, $L = \frac{N^2}{S} = \frac{N^2 \mu A}{l}$

Thus inductance of a coil of N turns can be determined from the dimensions of the magnetic circuit.



Mutual Flux

Mutual coupling takes place when 2 coils are in the vicinity of each other's magnetic circuit



- Coil 1 produces a flux ϕ_1 , part of which ϕ_{12} links with coil 2.
- when current in coil 1 varies, induced emf e_2 occurs in coil 2.

$$e_2 = N_2 \frac{d\phi_{12}}{dt} = M_{12} \frac{di_1}{dt}$$

Where M_{12} is the Mutual Inductance between 1 and 2.



Mutual Inductance

$$\text{Since } N_2 \frac{d\phi_{12}}{dt} = M_{12} \frac{di_1}{dt}, \quad N_2 \phi_{12} = M_{12} i_1 \quad \rightarrow \quad M_{12} = \frac{N_2 \phi_{12}}{i_1}$$

Mutual inductance M_{12} , of coil 2 due to a current in coil 1, is the flux linkage in the coil 2 due to unit current flowing in coil 1.

also since $N_1 I_1 = S \phi_1$, and a fraction k_{12} of the primary flux would link with the secondary, $\phi_{12} = k_{12} \cdot \phi_1$

$$M_{12} = \frac{k_{12} N_1 N_2}{S} = \frac{k_{12} N_1 N_2 \mu A}{l}$$

k_{12} is known as the coefficient of coupling between the coils.

$k_{12} = k_{21}$ so that $M_{12} = M_{21}$.

For good coupling, k_{12} is very nearly equal to unity.



Energy stored in a magnetic field

Energy stored in an inductor

$$= \int v \cdot i \cdot dt = \int L \frac{di}{dt} \cdot i \cdot dt = \int L \cdot i \cdot di = \frac{1}{2} Li^2$$

Energy stored in a unit volume in magnetic field

$$= \int \frac{N \cdot \frac{d\phi}{dt} \cdot i \cdot dt}{\text{volume}} = \int \frac{N \cdot i \cdot d\phi}{A \cdot l} = \int \frac{N \cdot i}{l} \cdot d \frac{\phi}{A} = \int H \cdot dB$$

$$= \int \frac{\mathbf{B}}{\mu} \cdot d\mathbf{B} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\mathbf{B}^2}{\mu} = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{H} \quad \text{J/m}^3$$



Force exerted in a magnetic field

For a spacing change of dx by moving the electromagnet

change in energy stored = $\frac{1}{2} B.H \times (\text{change in volume})$

$$= \frac{1}{2} B.H \times A \cdot dx$$

Also, change in energy stored = work done = $F \cdot dx$,

$$\therefore F \cdot dx = \frac{1}{2} B.H \cdot A \cdot dx \quad \text{or} \quad F = \frac{1}{2} B.H A$$

i.e. Force on unit area in electric field = $F/A = \frac{1}{2} B.H \text{ N/m}^2$



Recap of Electric and Magnetic Fields

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Electromagnetic Theory - Ampere's Law

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mmf, flux density, reluctance

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Self and mutual inductance



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