

Experimental General Physics for Engineers II

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Section: _L01____

Experiment name:

Earth magnetic field

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Table of results (1.25 pts)	
Graph (1.25 pts)	
Data analysis (2 pts)	
Discussion (0.5 pt)	
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Report Grade (5 pts)	

1. Geometry of the coil

Radius R of the coil: $R = 10 \pm 0.1 \text{ cm}$

Number of turns n of the coil: $n = 10 \text{ turns}$

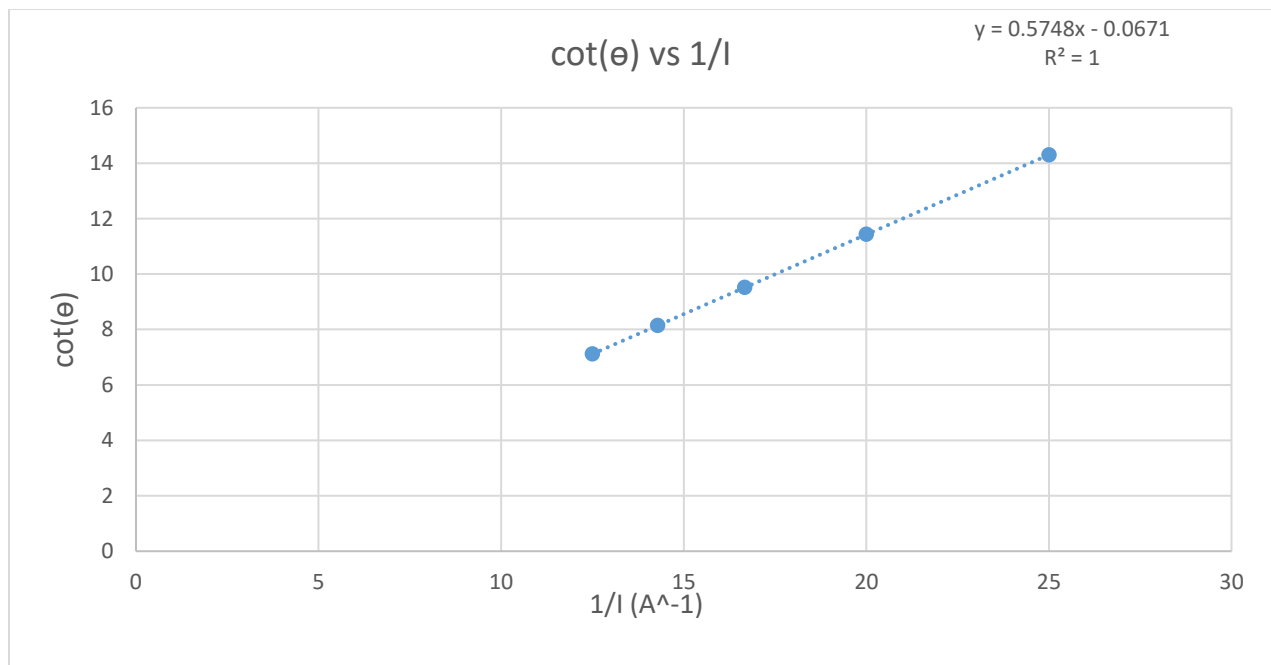
Permeability of free space μ_0 : $\mu_0 = 4\pi \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ Tm/A}$

2. Table of Results

I (A)	$u(I)$ (A)	θ (°)	$u(\theta)$ (°)	θ (rad)	$u(\theta)$ (rad)	$\frac{1}{I}$ (A ⁻¹)	$u(\frac{1}{I})$ (A ⁻¹)	$\cot(\theta)$	$u(\cot(\theta))$
0.04	± 0.1	4	± 1	0.070	± 0.017	25	± 625	14.30	± 3.59
0.05	± 0.1	5	± 1	0.087	± 0.017	20	± 400	11.43	± 2.30
0.06	± 0.1	6	± 1	0.104	± 0.017	16.67	± 277.8	9.51	± 1.59
0.07	± 0.1	7	± 1	0.122	± 0.017	14.28	± 204	8.14	± 1.17
0.08	± 0.1	8	± 1	0.140	± 0.017	12.5	± 156.2	7.12	± 0.90

3. Graph of $\cot(\theta)$ vs. $\frac{1}{I}$

Plot $\cot(\theta)$ vs $\frac{1}{I}$ in Excel



4. Data analysis

4.1. Uncertainties on $\frac{1}{I}$ and $\cot(\theta)$

Show how you calculate $u(\frac{1}{I})$ and $u(\cot(\theta))$

$$U(I) = \pm 0.1 \text{ A} \quad U(\theta) = \pm 1 \text{ degree} = \pm \pi / 180 \text{ radian} = \pm 0.017 \text{ rad}$$

$$U(1/I) = \sqrt{((d(1/I)/d(I) * U(I))^2)} = \sqrt{((-1/I^2) * U(I))^2} = \sqrt{((0.1/0.04^2)^2)} = \pm \mathbf{62.5 \text{ (A}^{-1}\text{)}}$$

$$U(\cot(\theta)) = \sqrt{((d(\cot(\theta))/d(\theta) * U(\theta))^2)} = \sqrt{((-csc^2(\theta) * U(\theta))^2)} \\ = \sqrt{((-csc^2(0.07) * \pi/180)^2)} = \pm \mathbf{3.58}$$

4.2. Slope, intercept of the graph and their uncertainties

Give the values of the slope intercept and their uncertainties

$$\text{Slope} = 0.574779 \text{ A}$$

$$U(\text{Slope}) = \pm 0.000217 \text{ A}$$

$$\text{Intercept} = -0.06715$$

$$U(\text{Intercept}) = \pm 0.003961$$

4.3. Value of the horizontal component of the earth's magnetic field B_h

Calculate B_h based on the value of the slope of the graph and the geometry of the coil

$$\cot(\theta) = B_h/A * 1/I \quad \text{slope} = B_h/A$$

$$A = \mu_0 n / 2R \text{ is constant, } A = 6.28 \times 10^{-5} \text{ (Tm/A)/m}$$

$$B_h = \text{slope} * A = 0.575 * 6.28 \times 10^{-5} = \mathbf{3.61 \times 10^{-5} \text{ T}}$$

4.4. Uncertainty on B_h .

Calculate $u(B_h)$ based on the value of the slope of the graph and the geometry of the coil. I.e. take $u(R)$ into account in the calculation.

$$U(B_h) = \sqrt{((d(\text{slope}) * 1.257 \times 10^{-5} / 2R) / d(\text{slope}) * U(\text{Slope}))^2 + ((d(\text{slope}) * 1.257 \times 10^{-5} / 2R) / d(R) * U(R))^2} \\ = \sqrt{((1.257 \times 10^{-5} / 2R * 0.0002)^2 + ((0.575 * 1.257 \times 10^{-5} / 2R^2 * 0.001)^2)} \\ = \sqrt{((1.257 \times 10^{-8})^2 + (3.61 \times 10^{-7})^2)} \\ = \pm \mathbf{3.6 \times 10^{-7} \text{ T}}$$

4.5. Comparison with the accepted value.

Compare your results to the commonly accepted value of B_h in Doha.

$$| (\text{Theoretical value} - \text{obtained value}) / \text{theoretical value} | * 100$$

$$= | (3.37 \times 10^{-5} - 3.61 \times 10^{-5}) / 3.37 \times 10^{-5} | * 100 = \mathbf{7.16\%}$$

5. Discussion of the result

The results in agreement with what is expected with small margin of error. With a value error percentage 7.16% different from the actual value of B_h .

Sources of error can be due to human error and inaccuracy while observing the data and while measuring the angle.

The experiment was successful with an error percentage 7.16%

6. References