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Linking concepts in
pre-university physics

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TABLE OF PHYSICAL CONSTANTS

Quantity & Symbol		Magnitude	Unit
Permittivity of free space	ϵ_0	8.85×10^{-12}	F m^{-1}
Electrostatic force constant	$1/4\pi\epsilon_0$	8.99×10^9	$\text{N m}^2 \text{C}^{-2}$
Speed of light in vacuum	c	3.00×10^8	m s^{-1}
Specific heat capacity of water	c_{water}	4180	$\text{J kg}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$
Charge of proton	e	1.60×10^{-19}	C
Gravitational field strength on Earth	g	9.81	N kg^{-1}
Universal gravitational constant	G	6.67×10^{-11}	$\text{N m}^2 \text{kg}^{-2}$
Planck constant	h	6.63×10^{-34}	J s
Boltzmann constant	k_{B}	1.38×10^{-23}	J K^{-1}
Mass of electron	m_{e}	9.11×10^{-31}	kg
Mass of neutron	m_{n}	1.67×10^{-27}	kg
Mass of proton	m_{p}	1.67×10^{-27}	kg
Mass of Earth	M_{Earth}	5.97×10^{24}	kg
Mass of Sun	M_{Sun}	2.00×10^{30}	kg
Avogadro constant	N_{A}	6.02×10^{23}	mol^{-1}
Gas constant	R	8.31	$\text{J mol}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$
Radius of Earth	R_{Earth}	6.37×10^6	m

OTHER INFORMATION YOU MAY FIND USEFUL

Electron volt	1 eV	=	$1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$
Unified mass unit	1 u	=	$1.66 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$
Absolute zero	0 K	=	$-273 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
Year	1 yr	=	$3.16 \times 10^7 \text{ s}$
Light year	1 ly	=	$9.46 \times 10^{15} \text{ m}$
Parsec	1 pc	=	$3.09 \times 10^{16} \text{ m}$

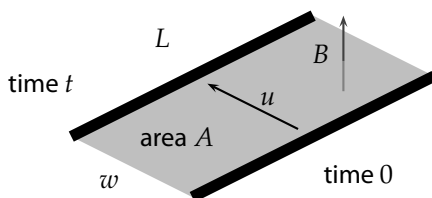
PREFIXES

1 km = 1000 m	1 Mm = 10^6 m	1 Gm = 10^9 m	1 Tm = 10^{12} m
1 mm = 0.001 m	1 μm = 10^{-6} m	1 nm = 10^{-9} m	1 pm = 10^{-12} m

21 Electromagnetic induction – moving wire

When a wire moves through a perpendicular magnetic field, cutting through the magnetic flux lines, a voltage appears across it.

Example context: We can calculate the voltage induced in any moving conductor, even if it is not a complete loop.



Quantities:	B magnetic flux density (T)	u speed of wire (m s^{-1})
	w distance moved by wire (m)	V induced voltage (V)
	L wire length (m)	t time taken (s)
	A area swept through (m^2)	q charge of carriers (C)
	F_B magnetic force (N)	F_E electric force (N)
	E electric field (N C^{-1})	

Equations: $A = Lw$ $w = ut$ $V = \frac{d(BA)}{dt} = \frac{BA}{t}$
 $F_B = quB$ $F_E = qE$ $E = V/L$

21.1 Use the equations to write down expressions for

- the area A swept through by the wire using u , Δt and L ,
- the magnetic flux BA cut by the wire using u , Δt and L ,
- the rate of cutting flux $d(BA)/dt$,
- the voltage V induced in the wire by Faraday's law,
- the magnetic force on a charge q inside the wire,
- the strength of an electric field E along the wire that could produce the same force on the charge,
- the voltage V that would exist between the ends of the wire, if that electric field was uniform.

21.2 Find V if $B = 0.50 \text{ T}$, $L = 0.050 \text{ m}$ and $u = 2.0 \text{ m s}^{-1}$.

Example – At a certain point in the cycle of a generator, one 12 cm length of wire in the coil moves at 25 m s^{-1} perpendicular to its length and to a 0.70 T magnetic field. What voltage would be induced across this wire at that point?

$$V = \frac{BA}{t} = BLu = 0.70 \times 0.12 \times 25 = 2.1 \text{ V}$$

- 21.3 In a magnetic brake system on a roller-coaster, a metal bar of width 35 mm on the carriage moves through an electromagnet attached to the rails, where $B = 0.4 \text{ T}$. If the carriage is moving at 70 m s^{-1} when it enters the brake, what is the initial voltage induced across the width of the bar?
- 21.4 In an experiment, a student induces a voltage of 15 mV by moving a 0.30 m-long section of wire through a region of uniform perpendicular magnetic field 0.35 T. At what speed were they moving the wire?
- 21.5 When 20 cm of straight wire is moved between the poles of a superconducting magnet at 25 mm s^{-1} , a 35 mV voltage is induced. Find the magnetic flux density between the poles.
- 21.6 Fill in the missing entries in the table below for a wire moving through a perpendicular magnetic field.

w / m	t / s	$u / \text{m s}^{-1}$	L / m	B / T	V / V
		6.0	0.50	1.2	(a)
		100	(b)	0.08	0.40
0.05	0.075	(c)	0.045	(d)	3.0×10^{-3}
1.35	(e)	15	1.5	5.0	(f)

- 21.7 In a motor, each long side of a turn in the coil acts like a 2.0 cm wire moving at 7.3 m s^{-1} . The strongest field it experiences during a cycle is 300 mT. If each turn has two long sides in series, what is the minimum number of turns in series needed to get a peak voltage greater than 3 V?
- 21.8 A metal aircraft with a 15.0 m wingspan is flying North at 450 km h^{-1} . What voltage could be induced between the wingtips, if the Earth's magnetic field has strength $60.0 \mu\text{T}$ and is pointing:
- vertically up from the Earth's surface?
 - inclined at 20.0° from the vertical towards the horizontal South-North direction? [Hint: the flux lines will be spaced farther apart.]

22 Electromagnetic induction – rotating coil

It is helpful to be able to calculate the voltage, or electromotive force (EMF) induced by a rotating coil in a magnetic field.

Example context: most generators contain a coil of wire rotating uniformly in a uniform magnetic field. Whenever there is a conductor in a changing magnetic field, an EMF is induced.

Quantities: ε EMF (V) N number of turns
 ϕ magnetic flux (Wb) B flux density (T)
 A_0 coil area (m^2) t time (s)
 A component of coil area linking flux (m^2)
 ω angular frequency (rad s^{-1})
 Subscript $_{\text{rms}}$ represents root mean square values
 $\frac{d}{dt}$ means *rate of change of a quantity*

Equations: $\varepsilon = -N \frac{d\phi}{dt}$ $\phi = BA$ $A = A_0 \cos \omega t$
 $\varepsilon_{\text{rms}} = \sqrt{(\varepsilon^2)_{\text{mean}}}$ $\frac{d \cos \omega t}{dt} = -\omega \sin \omega t$

22.1 Use the equations to derive expressions for

- the magnetic flux ϕ in terms of B , A_0 and t ,
- the EMF ε in terms of B , A_0 , N , ω and t ,
- the maximum EMF ε_{max} ,
- the root mean squared EMF ε_{rms} in terms of ε_{max} .

22.2 Fill in the missing entries in the table below.

$\varepsilon_{\text{max}} / \text{V}$	N	B / mT	A_0 / cm^2	$\omega / \text{rad s}^{-1}$
(a)	100	50.0	5.00	31.4
2.50	(b)	80	10.0	157
1.70	50.0	(c)	12.5	62.8
325	25.0	100	(d)	314
325	1000	103	100	(e)

Example 1 – A single circular loop of wire has a diameter of 30.0 cm and is rotated at 1500 rpm in a uniform magnetic field of flux density 150 mT. Calculate the maximum EMF induced.

$$\phi = BA = BA_0 \cos \omega t \text{ so } \varepsilon = -NBA_0 \frac{d}{dt} \cos \omega t = NBA_0 \omega \sin \omega t$$

$$\varepsilon_{\max} = NBA_0 \omega = 1 \times 0.150 \times \frac{\pi \times 0.300^2}{4} \times 1500 \frac{2\pi}{60} = 1.67 \text{ V}$$

- 22.3 A 5.00 cm long square coil with 10 turns is slowly rotated in a magnetic field of 80.0 mT at a rate of 20.0 rpm (revolutions per minute). Calculate
- the angular frequency in rad s^{-1} ,
 - the magnitude of the EMF induced 1.00 s after the EMF was zero,
 - the magnitude of the maximum EMF induced.
- 22.4 A circular coil of diameter 10.0 cm with 50 turns is rotated in a magnetic field at 100 Hz. Calculate the flux density B that would induce a peak EMF of
- 6.00 V,
 - 3.00 V,
 - 1.50 V.
- 22.5 A circular coil of radius 12.0 cm with 100 turns is rotated in a magnetic field of 500 mT. Calculate the angular frequency ω for a peak EMF of
- 2.00 V,
 - 4.00 V,
 - 8.00 V.

Example 2 – Calculate the magnetic flux density B necessary to generate $V_{\text{rms}} = 230 \text{ V}$ at 50.0 Hz with a square coil of length 1.00 m and 50 turns.

$$B = \frac{\sqrt{2}\varepsilon_{\text{rms}}}{NA_0\omega} = \frac{\sqrt{2} \times 230}{50 \times 1^2 \times (2\pi \times 50.0)} = 20.7 \text{ mT}$$

- 22.6 A circular coil with 1000 turns has a diameter of 5.00 cm and is rotating at 50.0 Hz in a uniform magnetic field of flux density 100 mT. Calculate
- the magnitude of the EMF 2.50 ms after it was zero,
 - the magnitude of the EMF 5.00 ms after it was zero,
 - the time after the EMF was zero when the EMF reaches its maximum magnitude,
 - the root mean squared EMF.
- 22.7 Two identical coils rotate at identical rates. *Coil A* is in a uniform magnetic field strength that is double that of *coil B*. Calculate the ratio of the root mean square EMF of *coil A* compared to *coil B*.

20 Simple pendulum

- (a) $x = l\theta$ From the definition of the radian.
- (b) $60^\circ = 60 \times \frac{2\pi}{360} = 1.047 \text{ rad}$ So, $x = l\theta = 30 \text{ cm} \times 1.047 = 31.4 \text{ cm}$
- (c) Resultant force perpendicular to string has magnitude = component of weight perpendicular to string = $mg \sin \theta$
- (d) $ma = -mg \sin \theta$ so $a = -g \sin \theta$
- (e) $a = -g \sin \theta \approx -g\theta$
- (f) $\theta = \frac{x}{l}$ so $a \approx -g\theta = -\frac{gx}{l}$
- (g) $a = -\frac{g}{l}x$ so if $a = -\omega^2 x$ then $\omega^2 = \frac{g}{l}$

21 Electromagnetic induction – moving wire

- (a) $A = Lw = Lut$
- (b) $BA = BLut$
- (c) $\frac{d(BA)}{dt} = \frac{BA}{t} = BLu$
- (d) $V = \frac{d(BA)}{dt} = BLu$
- (e) Force $F_B = quB$
- (f) Electric field $E = \frac{\text{Force}}{q} = uB$
- (g) $V = EL = (uB)L = BLu$ – i.e. the same as part (d)

22 Electromagnetic induction – rotating coil

$$(a) \quad \phi = BA = BA_0 \cos \omega t$$

$$(b) \quad \varepsilon = -N \frac{d\phi}{dt} = -N \frac{d}{dt} (BA_0 \cos \omega t) = -NBA_0 \frac{d}{dt} \cos \omega t \\ = NBA_0 \omega \sin \omega t$$

$$(c) \quad \text{maximum value } \sin \omega t \text{ can take is 1, so } \varepsilon_{\max} = NBA_0 \omega$$

$$(d) \quad \varepsilon^2 = N^2 B^2 A_0^2 \omega^2 \sin^2 \omega t \\ (\varepsilon^2)_{\text{mean}} = N^2 B^2 A_0^2 \omega^2 (\sin^2 \omega t)_{\text{mean}} = N^2 B^2 A_0^2 \omega^2 \times \frac{1}{2} \\ \sqrt{(\varepsilon^2)_{\text{mean}}} = \varepsilon_{\text{rms}} = NBA_0 \omega \times \sqrt{0.5} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} NBA_0 \omega \text{ hence,} \\ \varepsilon_{\text{rms}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \varepsilon_{\max}$$

23 Energy and fields – accelerator

$$(a) \quad p = mv = m \sqrt{\frac{2K}{m}} = \sqrt{2mK} = \sqrt{2mqV}$$

$$(b) \quad v = \sqrt{\frac{2K}{m}} = \sqrt{\frac{2qV}{m}}$$

$$(c) \quad v = \sqrt{\frac{2K}{m}} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{m} \left(\frac{mu^2}{2} + qV \right)} = \sqrt{u^2 + \frac{2qV}{m}}$$

$$(d) \quad \Delta K = FL = qEL$$

$$(e) \quad E = \frac{F}{q} = \frac{\Delta K}{qL} = \frac{V}{L}$$

$$(f) \quad p = mv = m \sqrt{\frac{2K}{m}} = \sqrt{2mK} = \sqrt{2mqV} = \sqrt{2mqEL}$$

$$(g) \quad \lambda = \frac{h}{p} = \frac{h}{mv} = \frac{h}{m \sqrt{2K/m}} = \frac{h}{\sqrt{2Km}} = \frac{h}{\sqrt{2mqV}}$$