

1 Electrodynamics

1.1 Electromotive Force

1.1.1 Ohm's Law

$$\mathbf{J} = \sigma \mathbf{f}$$

\mathbf{J} is the current density, σ is the constant of proportionality (conductivity), and \mathbf{F} is the force/charge i.e. the electric field $\mathbf{f}/q \equiv \mathbf{F} = \mathbf{E}$. So the electromagnetic force is

$$\mathbf{J} = \sigma(\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B})$$

where the velocity of the charge \mathbf{v} is small enough which leaves us with “Ohm's Law”

$$\mathbf{J} = \sigma \mathbf{E}$$

Example A ‘cylindrical’ resistor with resistivity $\rho = 1/\sigma$, cross-sectional area A , and length L , under a potential difference V .

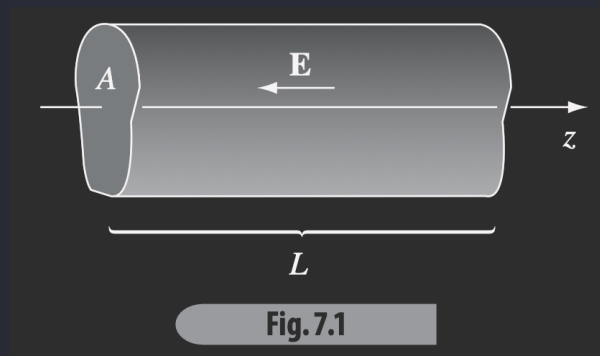


Figure 1.1: Cylindrical Resistor

The current I flowing through the resistor is given by

$$I = JA = \sigma EA = \sigma \frac{V}{L} A = \frac{\sigma A}{L} V$$

Example Coaxial cable with inner radius a , outer radius b , separated by a material with conductivity σ :

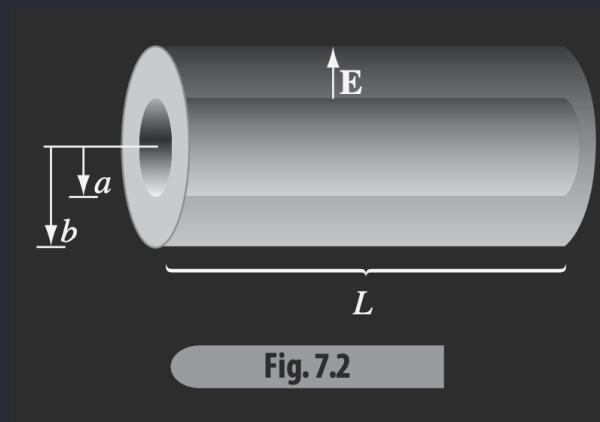


Figure 1.2: Coaxial Cable

The electric field will point radially outward in the region between the two cylinders:

$$\mathbf{E} = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0 s} \hat{\mathbf{s}}$$

where $\lambda \sim$ charge/length. We get the current

$$I = \int \mathbf{J} \cdot d\mathbf{a} = \sigma \int \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{a} = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} \lambda L$$

and the potential

$$V = - \int_b^a \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \ln \frac{b}{a}$$

So we get

$$\boxed{I = \frac{2\pi\sigma L}{\ln(b/a)} V} \quad \boxed{V = IR}$$

which is the more common form of Ohm's Law.

For simple steady currents, we know that

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{J} = 0$$

\rightarrow no source or sink of charge. Furthermore, from Ohm's law,

$$= \nabla \cdot (\sigma \mathbf{E}) = \sigma \nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = 0$$

\implies uniform \mathbf{E} in conductors carrying steady currents.

So $\mathbf{J} = \sigma \mathbf{E}$ tells us a steady current flows due to an electric field, *but* $\mathbf{F} = q\mathbf{E} = m\mathbf{a}$ tells us that the electrons should accelerate. . . Think of it like this: Electrons are like cars stopping at a stop sign; they accelerate but then stop when they reach the next stop sign, so they have a constant average velocity as they accelerate and stop. This average is roughly

$$v_{\text{avg}} = \frac{1}{2} a \tau = \frac{1}{2} \frac{a \lambda}{v_{\text{thermal}}} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{qE\lambda}{mv_{\text{thermal}}}$$

so for n moles per unit volume of charge and f electrons per molecule

$$\mathbf{J} = n f q v_{\text{avg}} = \left(\frac{n f q^2 \lambda}{2 m v_{\text{thermal}}} \right) \mathbf{E}$$

How much energy/time is transferred to conductor?

$$V \equiv \frac{W}{q}, \quad I \equiv \frac{q}{s} \implies P = IV = I^2 R$$

aka the "Joule heating law".

1.1.2 Electromotive Force

\mathcal{E} or EMF

Current can experience forces

$$\mathbf{f} = \mathbf{f}_s + \mathbf{E}$$

where \mathbf{f} is the total force/charge, and \mathbf{f}_s can be chemical (from battery), mechanical (piezoelectric), etc.

The EMF can be the line integral

$$\mathcal{E} = \oint \mathbf{f} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = \oint \mathbf{f}_s \cdot d\mathbf{l} + \oint \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{l}$$

where the second term cancels from Stokes's $\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = 0$. This EMF has units of volts, but it is not a potential difference....

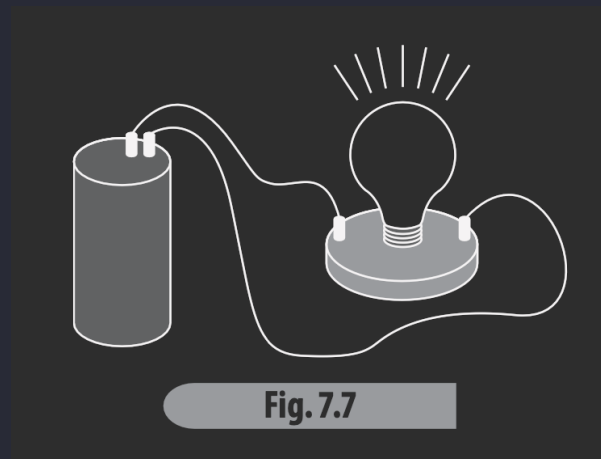


Figure 1.3: EMF

In the current wire connected to the battery (EMF), there is a $\sigma \sim 1/\rho \rightarrow R$ such that $V = IR$ or in terms of the EMF $\mathcal{E} = IR$. In the battery we idealize $\sigma \rightarrow \infty$ thus $R \rightarrow 0$.

1.1.3 Motional EMF

“(E)motional”

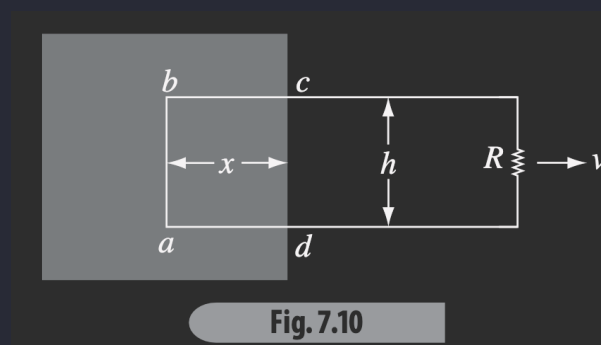


Figure 1.4: Motional EMF

For a B-field into the page, the current moves clockwise (RHR), so the EMF is providing a magnetic force and not just a potential difference:

$$\mathcal{E} = \oint \mathbf{f}_{\text{mag}} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = vBh = IR_{\text{wire}}$$

1.2 Electromagnetic Induction

1.2.1 Faraday's Law

~ 1831ish Faraday observed three important experiments:

1. Moving a loop of wire rightward through a magnetic field induced a current in the wire.
2. Moving a magnet to the left also induced a current.
3. Increasing the magnetic field strength of a stationary magnet also induced a current on the stationary loop of wire.

(1.) Describes motional EMF, (2.) changes at rest! Empirically

$$\mathcal{E} = \oint \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = -\frac{d\Phi}{dt}, \quad \Phi = BA$$

where $\Phi = \int_S \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot d\mathbf{a}$ so

$$\Rightarrow \oint \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = \int_S (\nabla \times \mathbf{E}) \cdot d\mathbf{a} = - \int_S \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} \cdot d\mathbf{a}$$

which gives us Faraday's Law

$$\boxed{\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t}}$$

1.2.2 The Induced Electric Field

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \times \mathbf{E} &= -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} &= \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

Where we can get the magnetostatics equations by changing the terms

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \mathbf{J}, \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$$

From the Biot-Savart Law,

$$\mathbf{E} = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int \frac{\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} \times \hat{\mathbf{z}}}{r^2} d\tau = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int \frac{\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r}) \times \hat{\mathbf{z}}}{r^2} d\tau$$

and using the Ampere's law integral form $\oint \mathbf{B} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = \mu_0 I_{\text{enc}}$, we have this integral form of Faraday's law

$$\oint \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = -\frac{d\Phi}{dt}$$

Example A uniform B-field $\mathbf{B} = B(t)\hat{\mathbf{z}}$ filling a circular region of radius s . When B changes, what is E?

$$\oint \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = E 2\pi s$$

so

$$= -\frac{d\Phi}{dt} = -\frac{d}{dt}[\pi s^2 B(t)] = -\pi s^2 \frac{\partial B}{\partial t}$$

Thus we have a circular electric field

$$\mathbf{E} = -\frac{s}{2} \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} \hat{\phi}$$

Example Ring of radius b with line charge λ concentric with a region with magnetic field $\mathbf{B} = B_0 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$, but constrained to a region smaller than the ring a .

Again, an amperian loop of radius s so

$$\oint \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = E 2\pi s = -\frac{d\Phi}{dt} = -\pi s^2 \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} \implies \mathbf{E} = -\frac{s}{2} \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} \hat{\phi}$$

inside the magnetic field region. Outside the magnetic field region, we have

$$\oint \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = E 2\pi s = -\pi a^2 \dot{\mathbf{B}} \implies \mathbf{E} = -\frac{a^2}{2s} \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} \hat{\phi}$$

So at the ring or $s = b$,

$$\mathbf{E} = -\frac{a^2}{2b} \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} \hat{\phi}$$

The torque on the segment of the ring is

$$F = dqE$$

so

$$d\mathbf{N} = \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{F} = b dq E = b \lambda E dl$$

The total torque is

$$\mathbf{N} = b\lambda \left(-\frac{a^2}{2b} \dot{B} \oint d\mathbf{l} = -b\lambda\pi a^2 \dot{B} \hat{\phi} \right)$$

And the angular momentum is

$$\int N dt = -\lambda\pi a^2 b \int_{B_0}^0 dB$$

so

$$\implies \Delta \text{ang momentum} = \lambda\pi a^2 b B_0$$