



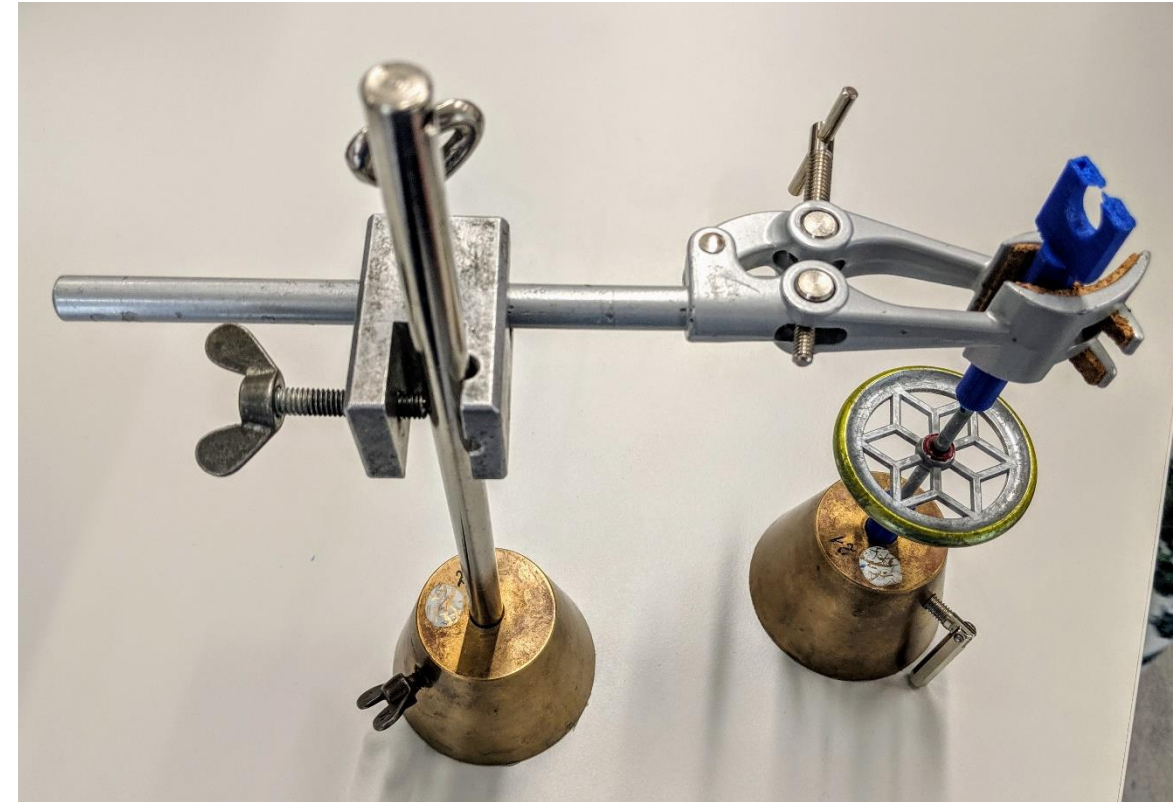
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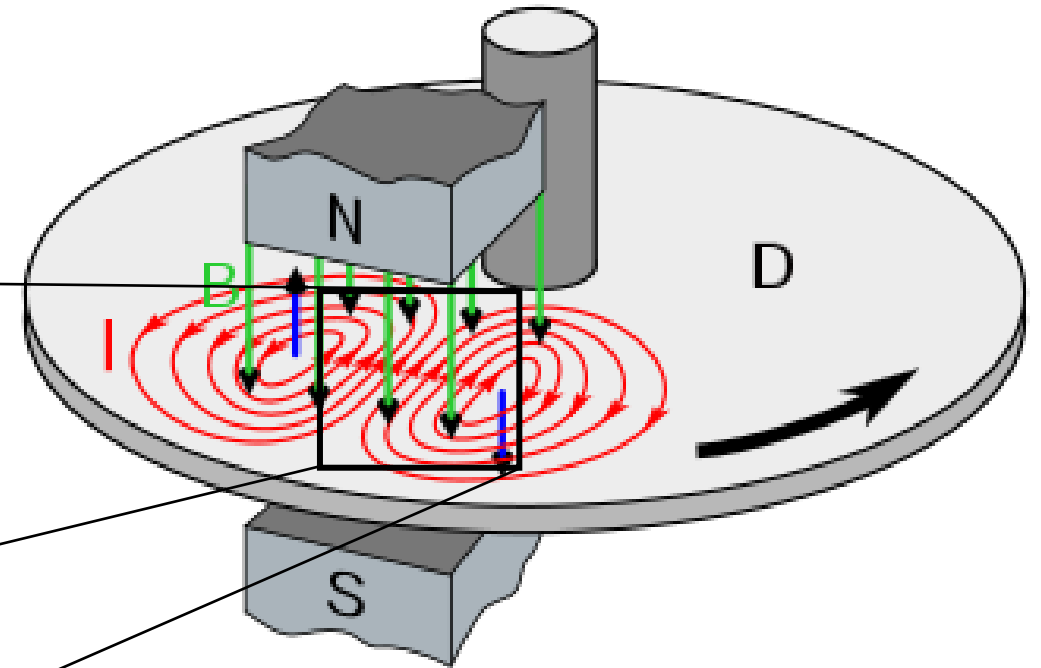
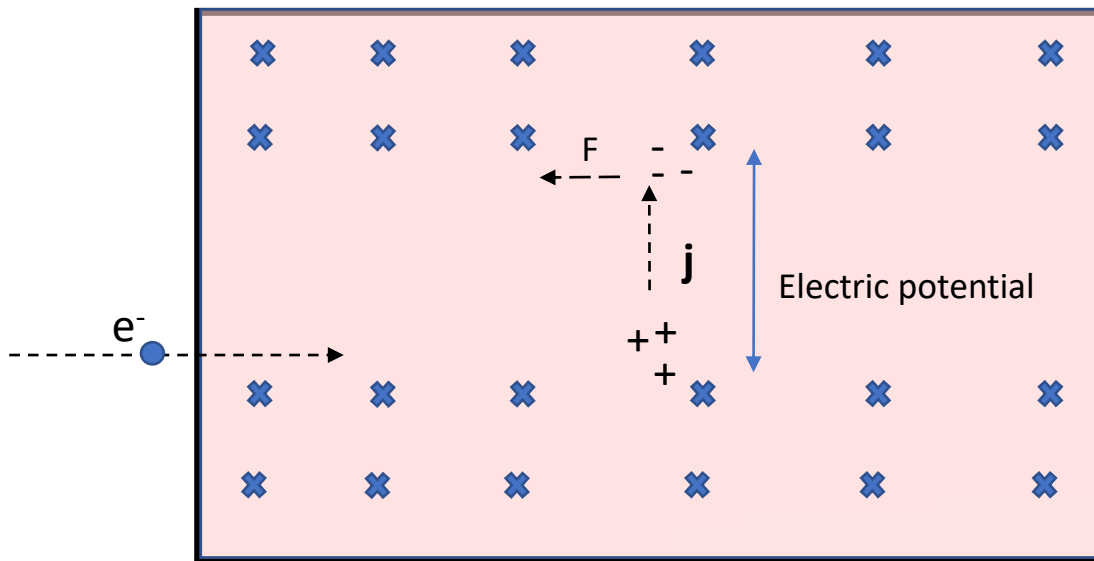
Problem statement

A spinning **gyroscope** made from a **conducting**, but **non-ferromagnetic** material slows down when placed in a magnetic field. Investigate how the **deceleration** depends on **relevant parameters**.



Basic concepts

- Lorenz Force acts on electrons
- Flow of charge \rightarrow Eddy currents
- Currents
 - Force opposite to plate torque \rightarrow Lenz's Law
 - Heat produced by plate resistance



Picture: Wikipedia-Eddy currents

Fundamentals of the theory

$\phi(x, y)$ and $\mathbf{j}(x, y)$ are assumed such that a **stationary state** is reached, **we assume that this happens instantaneously**

Force on charge vanishes in the **stationary state**:

$$(I) \quad \mathbf{F}_R + q(-\nabla\phi + (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B})) \approx 0$$

Ohms' law connects \mathbf{F}_R and \mathbf{j}

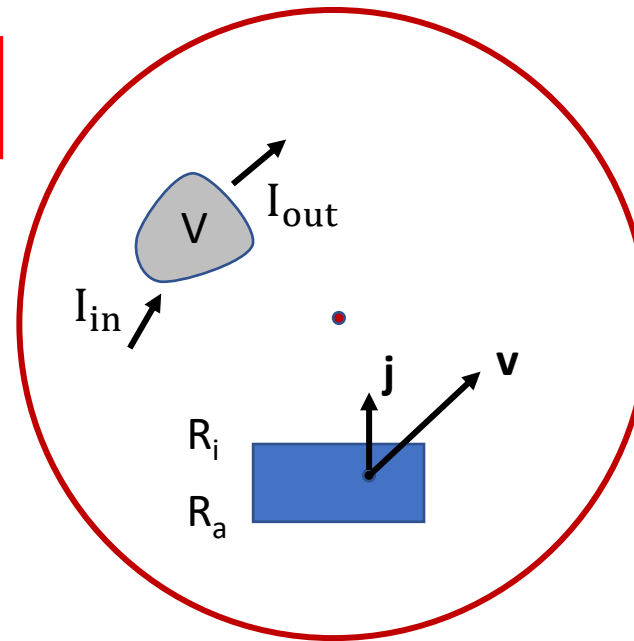
$$\mathbf{F}_R = -q \rho \mathbf{j}$$

No accumulation of currents in the **stationary state**:

$$I_{in} = I_{out} \text{ (for an arbitrary Volume } V\text{)}$$

This can also be formulated as

$$(II) \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{j} = 0$$



- $\phi[V]$...electrical potential
- $\mathbf{j} [A/m^2]$... current density
- $\mathbf{F}_R[N]$...force caused by resistance
- $\mathbf{v}[m/s]$... velocity of electron due to rotation of plate
- $B[T]$...magnetic field strength
- $R_a[m]$...outer radius of magnet
- $R_i [m]$...inner radius of magnet
- $\rho [\Omega m]$... resistivity
- $I_{in} [A]$.. current into volume V
- $I_{out} [A]$.. current out of volume V
- Area of constant magnetic field

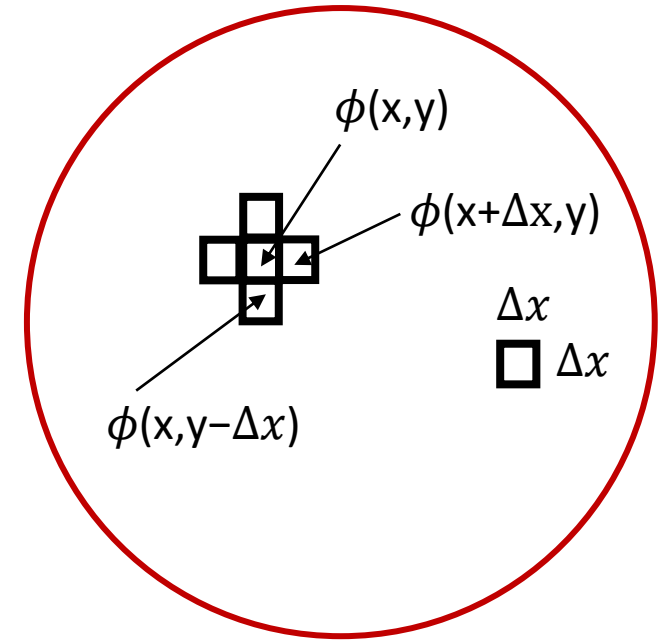
Numerical computation of $\phi(x, y)$

For $\phi(x, y)$ and $\mathbf{j}(x, y)$ we divide the plate into small squares of length Δx

In every square there is a value for ϕ and \mathbf{j}

We can write eq. (I) for every square and use (II) to eliminate \mathbf{j} in this equation, to obtain one equation for ϕ per square:

$$\begin{aligned}
 4 \phi(x, y) = & \phi(x+\Delta x, y) + \phi(x-\Delta x, y) + \phi(x, y+\Delta x) \\
 & + \phi(x, y-\Delta x) - \int_x^{x+\Delta x} dx' B(x', y) \omega x' - \int_x^{x-\Delta x} dx' B(x', y) \omega x' \\
 & - \int_y^{y+\Delta x} dy' B(x, y') \omega y' - \int_y^{y-\Delta x} dy' B(x, y') \omega y'
 \end{aligned}$$

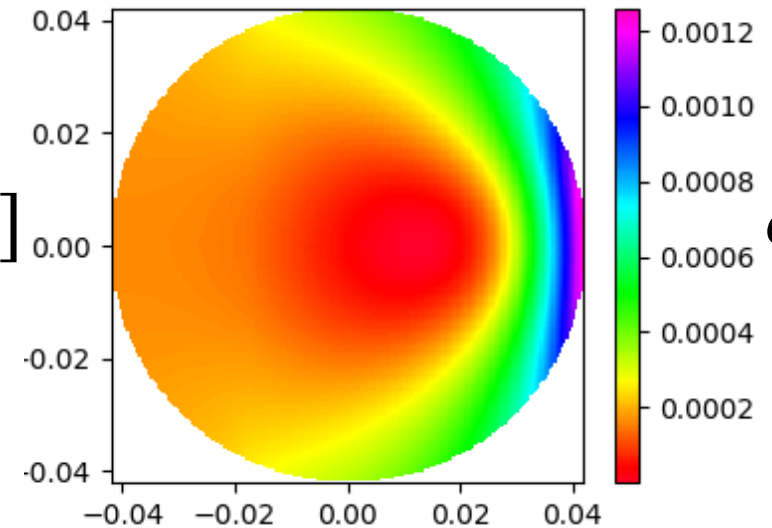


Numerical computation of $\phi(x, y)$

For resolution **200x200** squares
→ a linear equation system with
40k equations and **40k** unknown
 $\phi(x, y)$ values
→ solved them numerically with
the scipy libraries for Python



$y[m]$



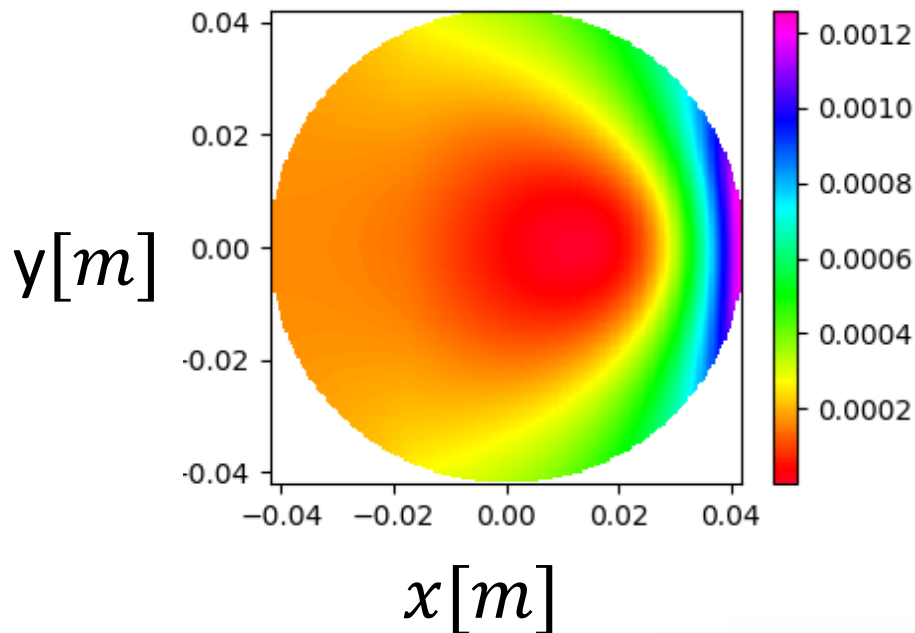
$\phi(x, y)$

Numerical computation of $\mathbf{j}(\mathbf{x}, y)$

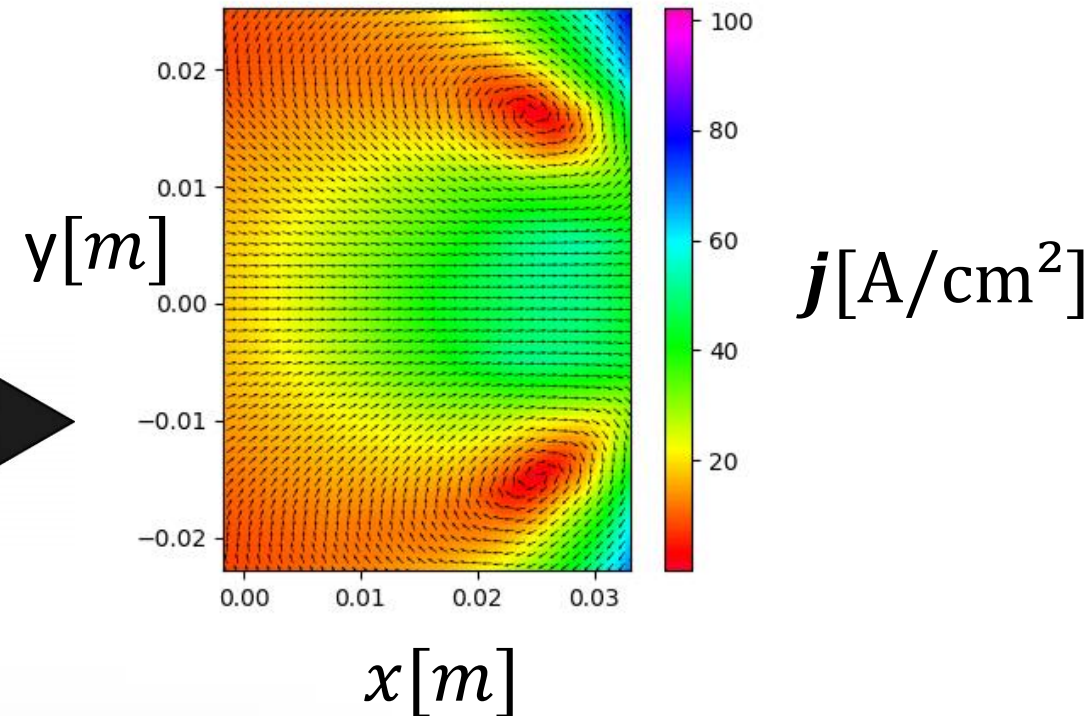
$$\mathbf{j}(x, y) = \frac{1}{d \cdot \Delta x} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} I_x \\ I_y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$I_x = -\frac{\phi(x - \Delta x, y) \cdot d}{\rho} - \int_x^{x-\Delta x} \left(\frac{dx' B(x', y) \omega x' \cdot d}{\rho} \right)$$

$$I_y = -\frac{\phi(x, y - \Delta x) \cdot d}{\rho} - \int_y^{y-\Delta x} \left(\frac{dy' B(x, y') \omega y' \cdot d}{\rho} \right)$$

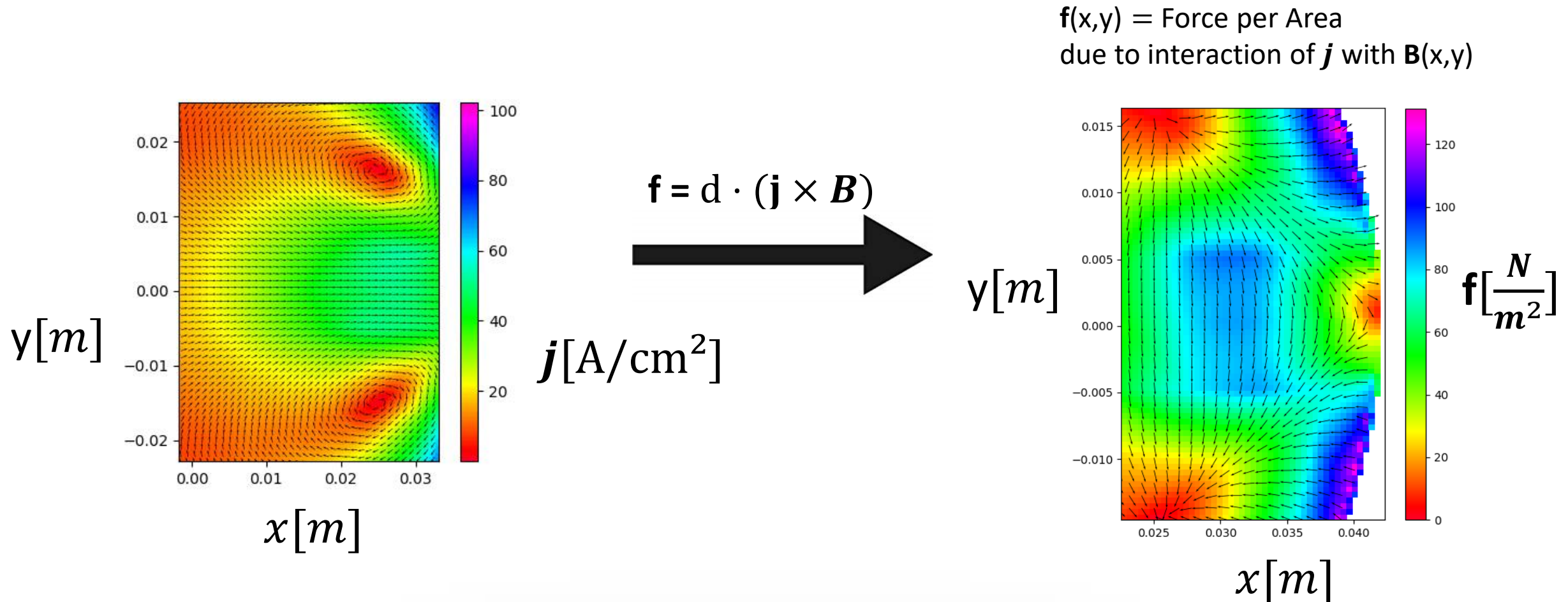


$\phi[V]$

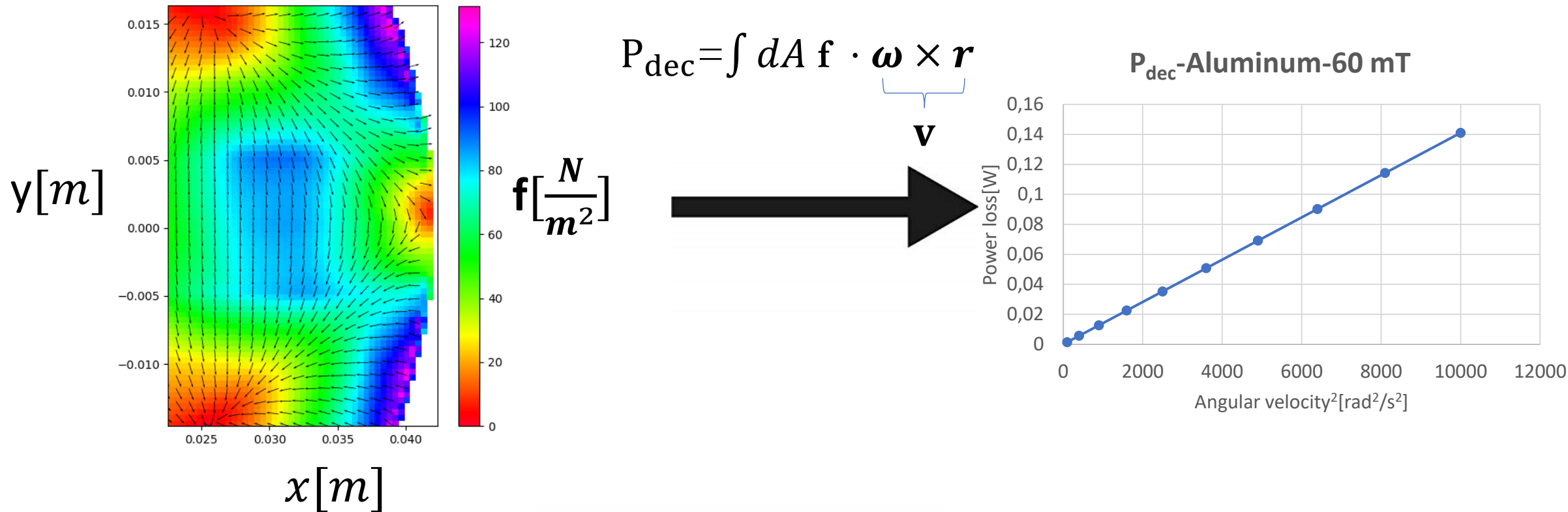


$\mathbf{j}[A/cm^2]$

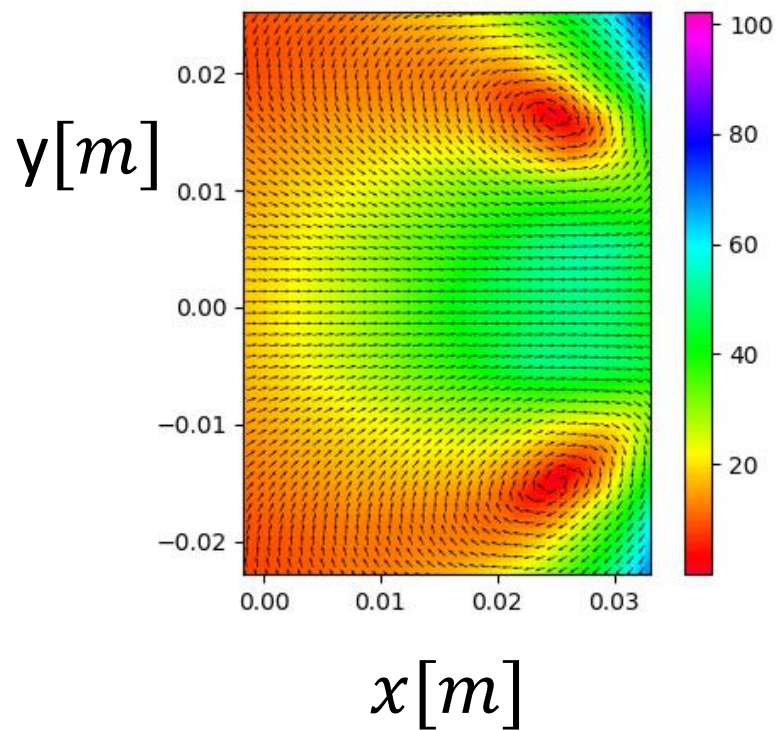
Computing the deceleration power P_{dec}



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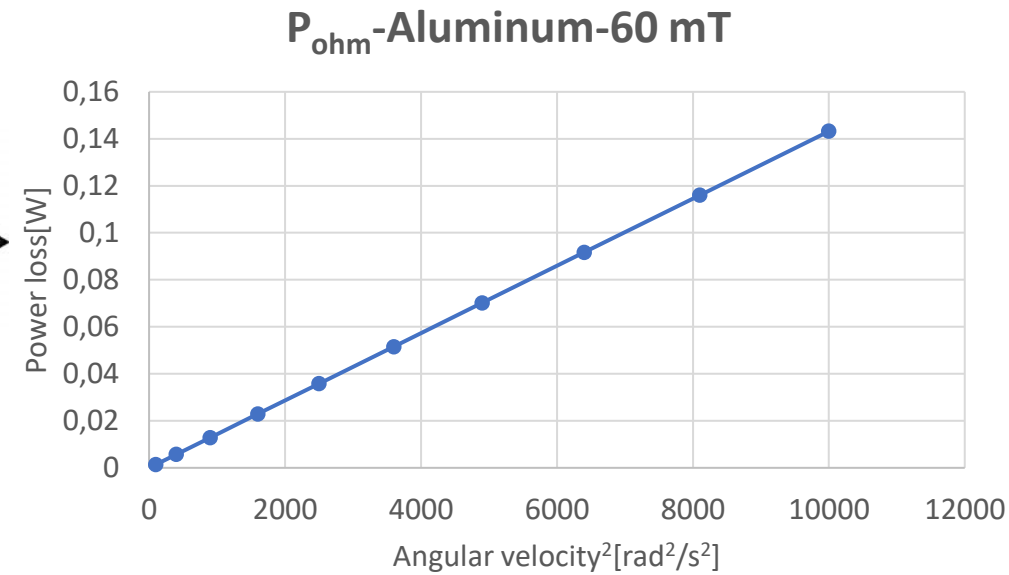
Power converted into heat P_{Ohm}



$$P_{\text{Ohm}} = \int dA j^2 d\rho$$

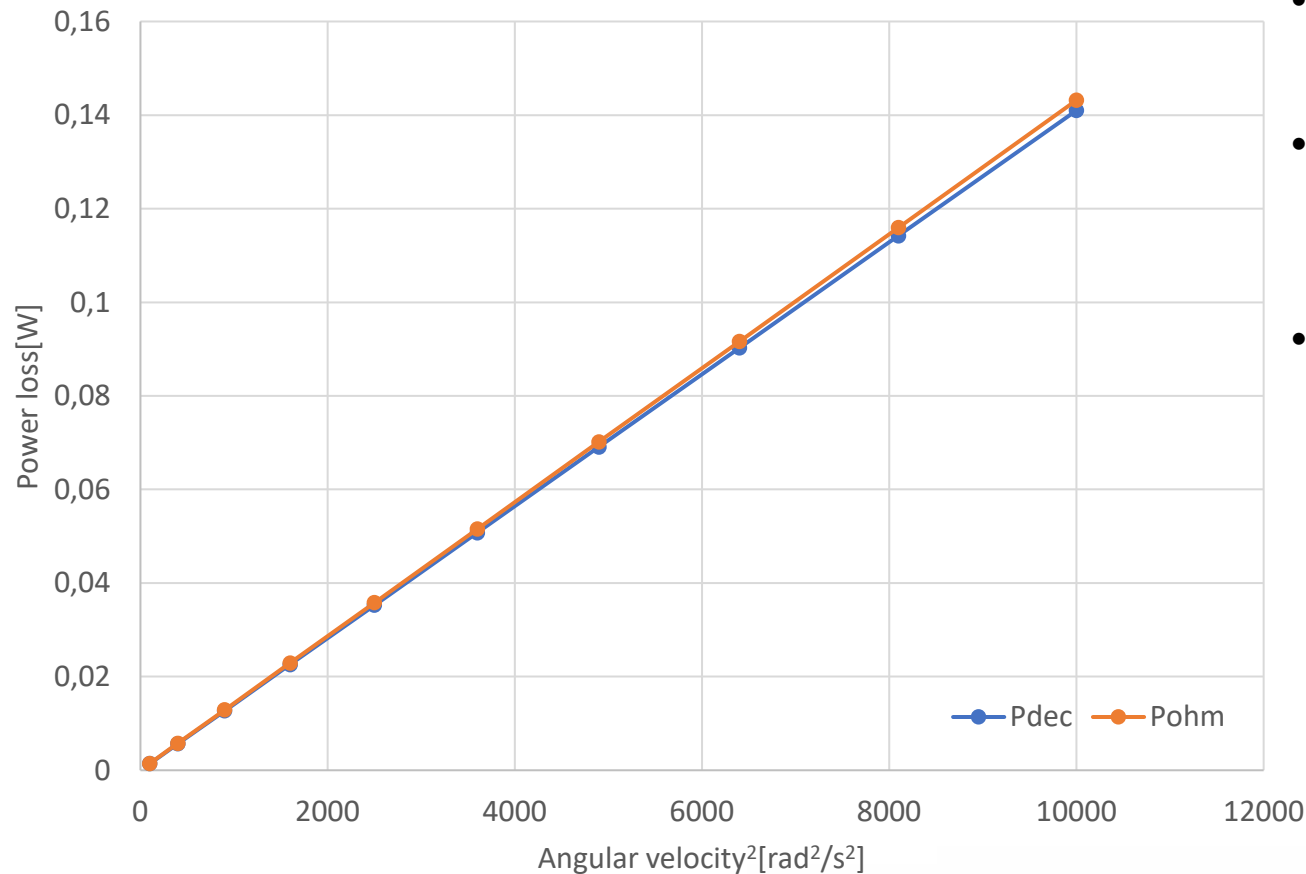


$j [\text{A/cm}^2]$



Power Loss given by 2 theories

Comparison-Aluminum-60 mT



- P_{ohm}
 - Heat loss through resistance
- P_{dec}
 - Kinetic energy loss per second due to torque on eddy currents in magnetic field
- **identical** (except for small numerical discrepancies)

Due to energy conservation $P_{dec} = P_{ohm}$



Relevant parameters

Parameters maintaining the system *geometry*

- Angular velocity
 - $\omega^2 \rightarrow P$
- Magnetic field strength
 - $B^2 \rightarrow P$
- Resistance of plate
 - Resistivity of material
 - $1/\rho \rightarrow P$
 - Thickness of plate
 - $d \rightarrow P$

Variations of P_{dec} described by **master formula**:

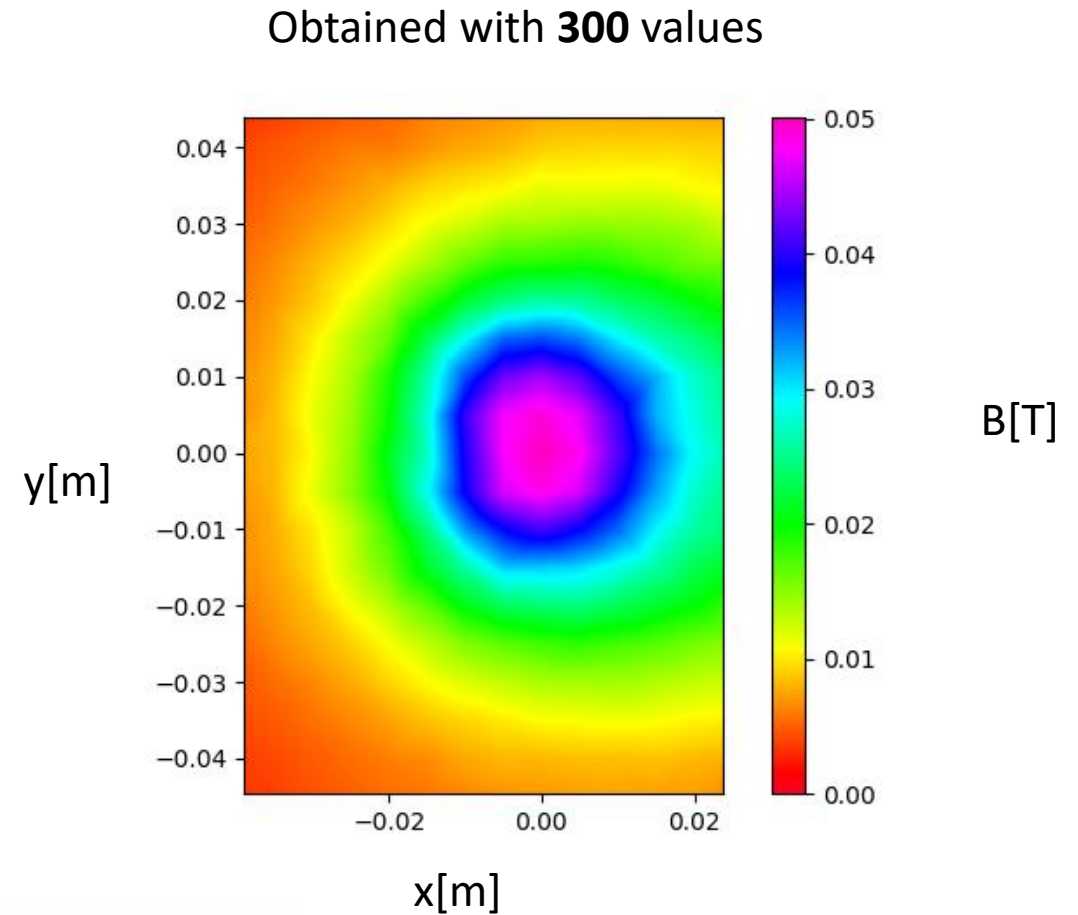
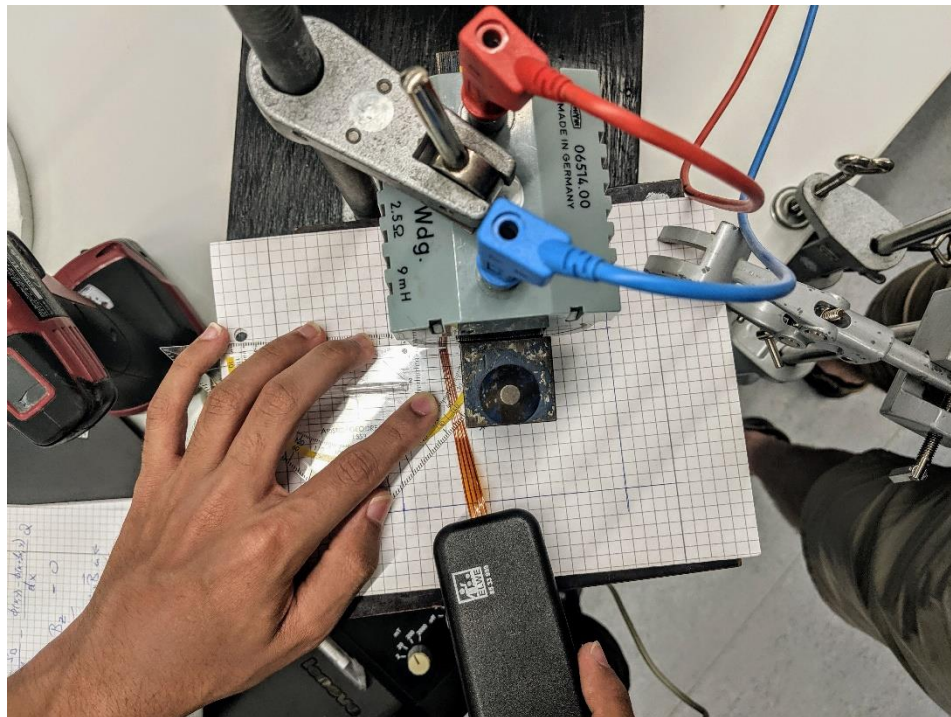
$$P_{dec}(B_{max}, \omega, \rho, d) = P_{dec}(B_{max}^0, \omega^0, \rho^0, d^0) \frac{(B_{max}\omega)^2 \rho^0 d}{(B_{max}^0 \omega^0)^2 \rho d^0}$$

Parameters changing the system *geometry*

- Position of magnet (at which radius)
- Size of magnet (width in direction of radius)

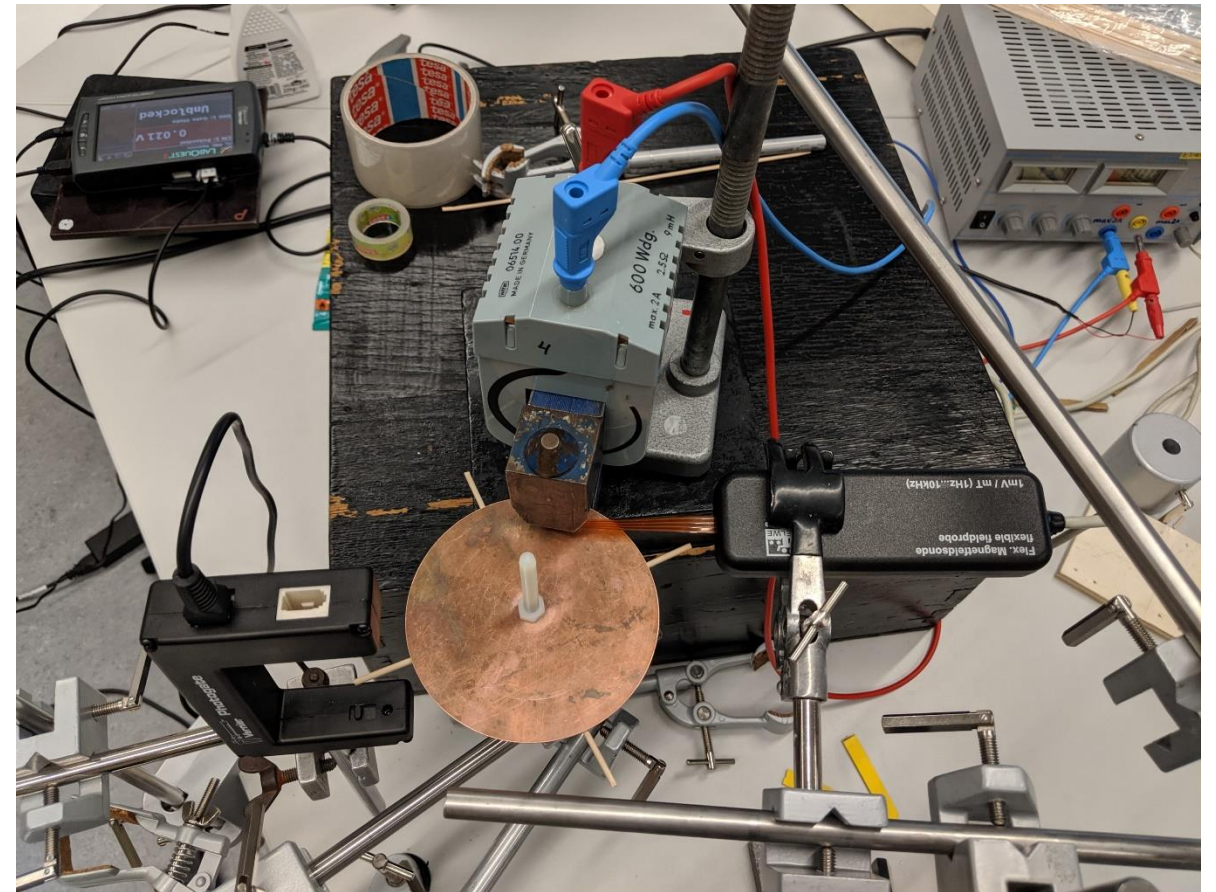
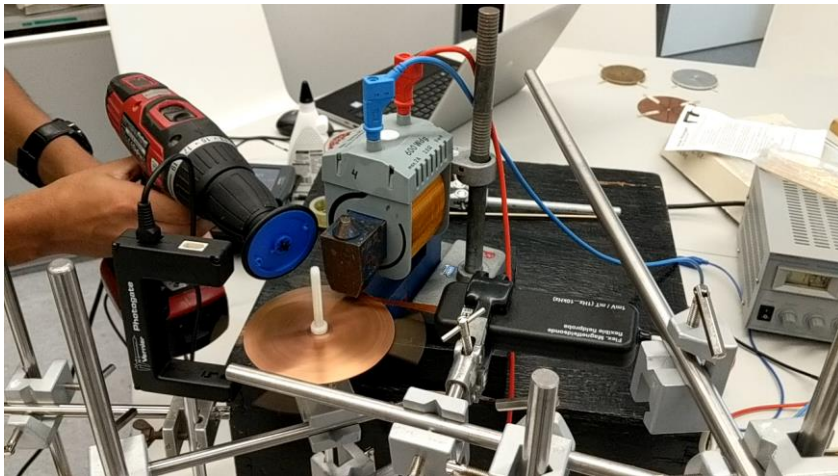
Impact on P_{dec} & P_{Ohm} is less obvious (however, well described by our numerical model)

Measuring B Field profile of the magnet



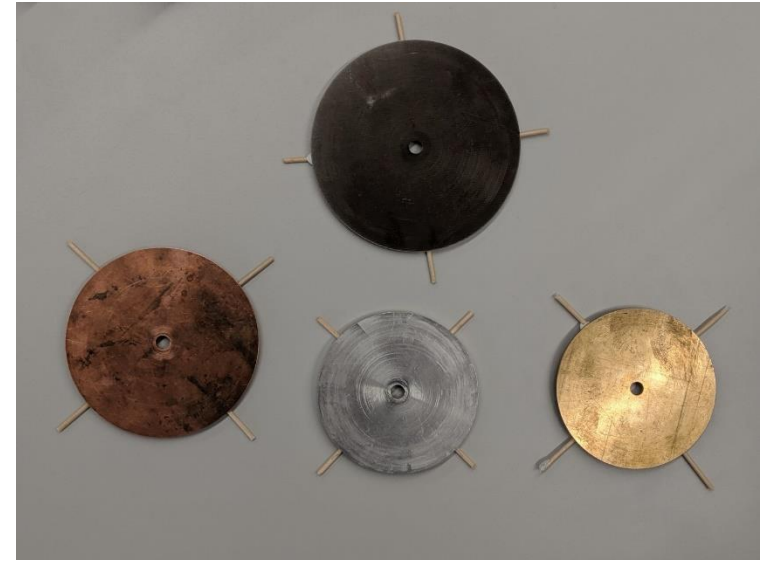
Experimental setup

- Electromagnet
 - Strength with Teslameter
- Frequency with photogate
 - Wooden stick attached
- Spin on plastic pin (low friction)
- Speed with cordless screw-driver



Parameter variation

- 10 magnetic field strengths
 - 0-100 mT
- 2 Radii
 - 1.5 cm
 - 3.5 cm
- 3 Materials
 - Copper
 - Brass
 - Aluminum
- 2 Thicknesses
 - 35 μm
 - 1 mm



Experimental Power Loss

$$P_{\text{dec}} = T \cdot \omega = I_m \cdot \frac{d\omega}{dt} \cdot \omega$$

Using:

$$I_m = \frac{m \cdot r^2}{2}$$

Friction term P_f from a trend line

Yields:

$$P_{\text{dec}} = \frac{m \cdot r^2}{2} \cdot \frac{d\omega}{dt} \cdot \omega - P_f$$

P[W]...power loss

T[Nm]...torque

ω [rad/s]...angular velocity opposing

- obtained by experiment

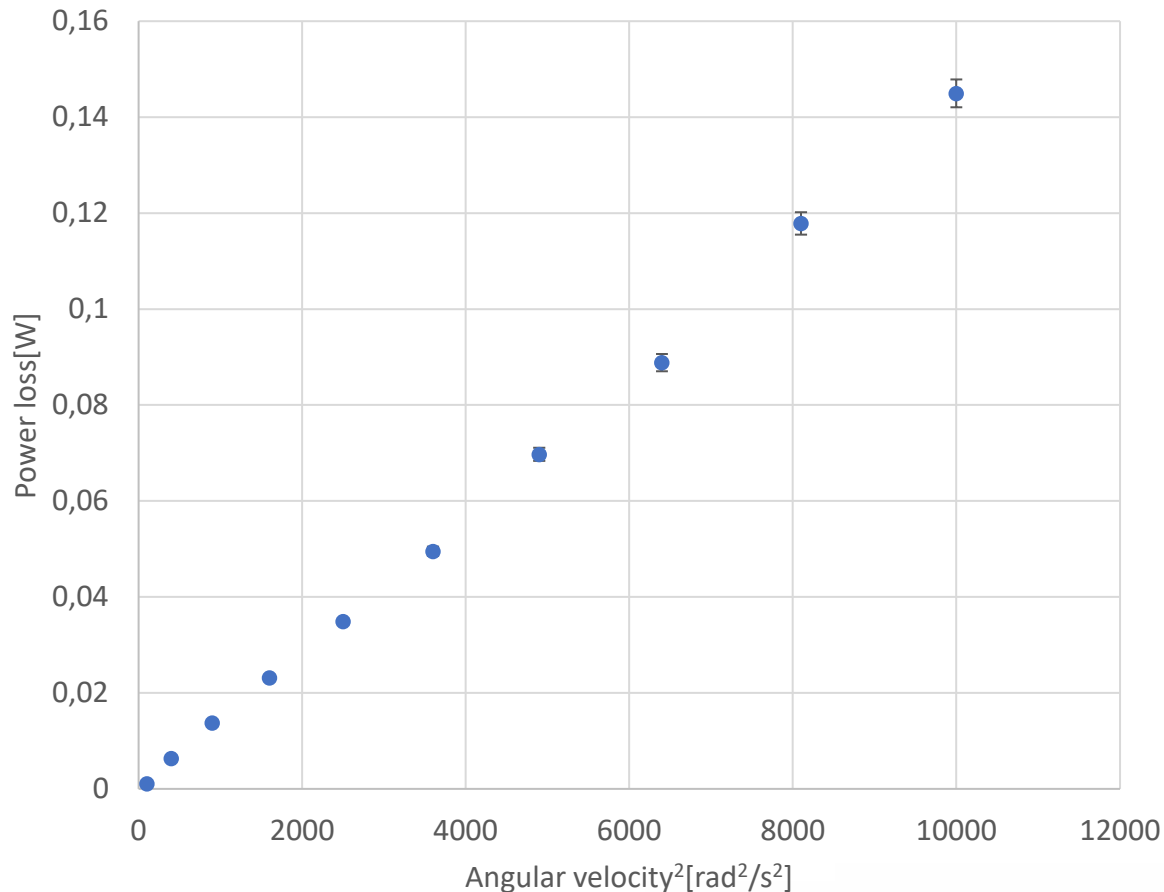
I_m ...[kgm²]...moment of inertia of homogenous disk

m[kg]...mass of plate

r[m]...radius of plate

Power Loss of Experiment

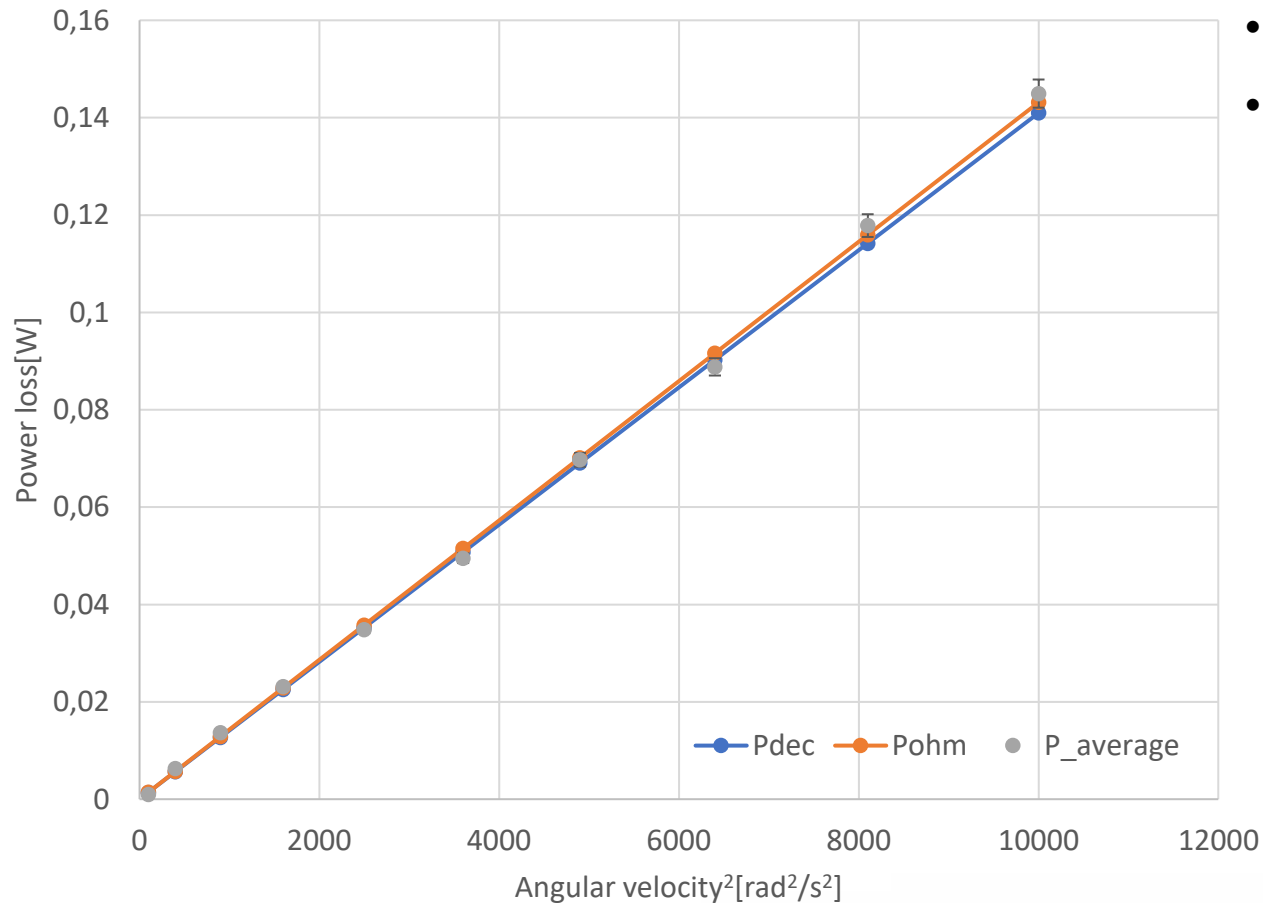
Aluminum-60mT



- Angular velocity instead of time as plate slows down
- Angular velocity is a function of time
- Easier to compare → no time delays
- Aluminum-60 mT
 - Average of 3 runs
 - Square relationship

Comparison of 3 Power Losses

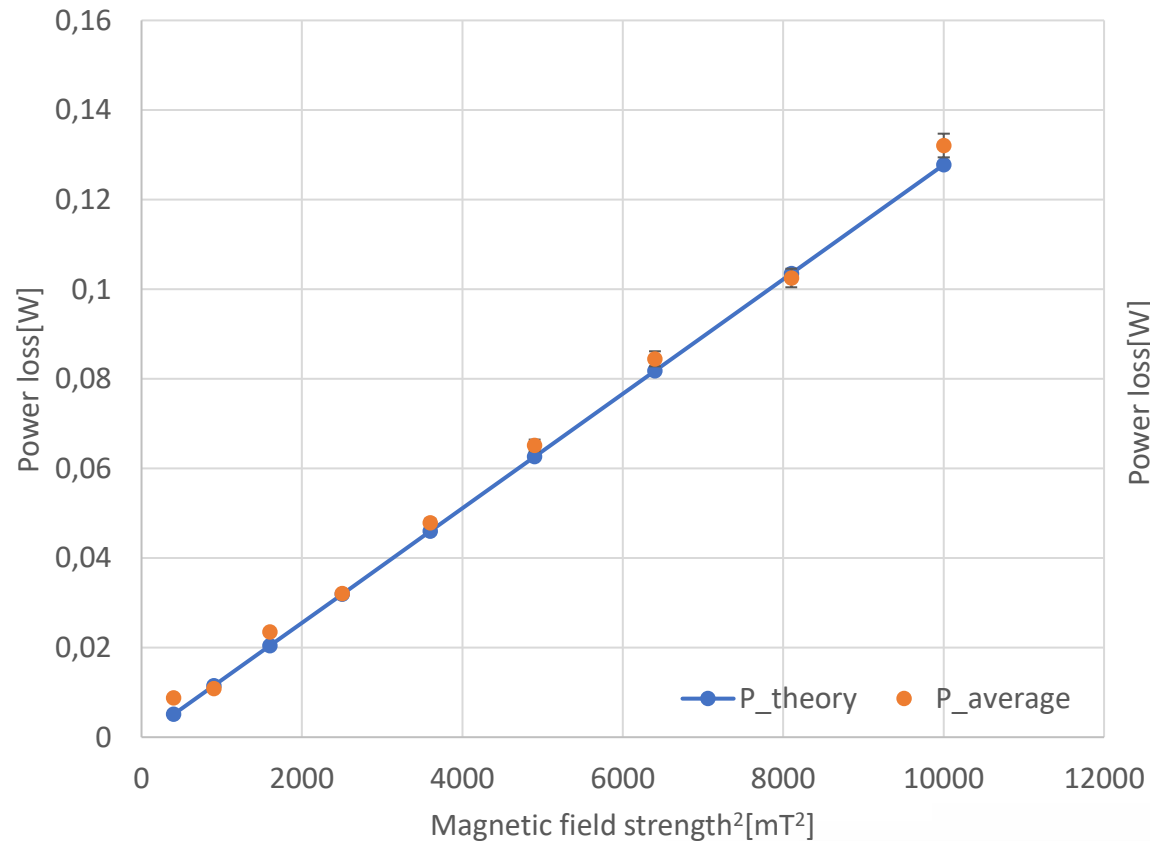
Comparison-Aluminum-60 mT



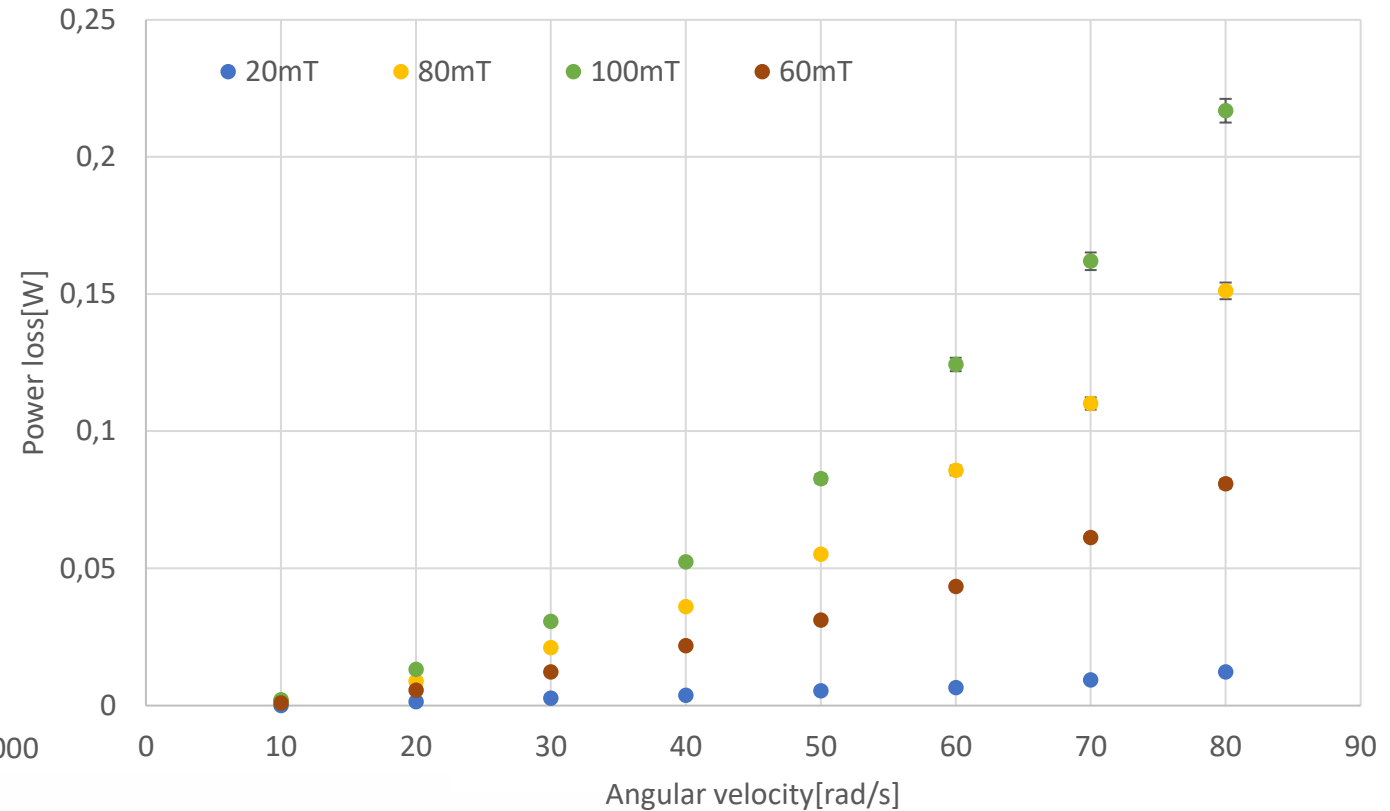
- Good correspondance
- Discrepancies
 - → error estimation

Different Magnetic Field Strengths

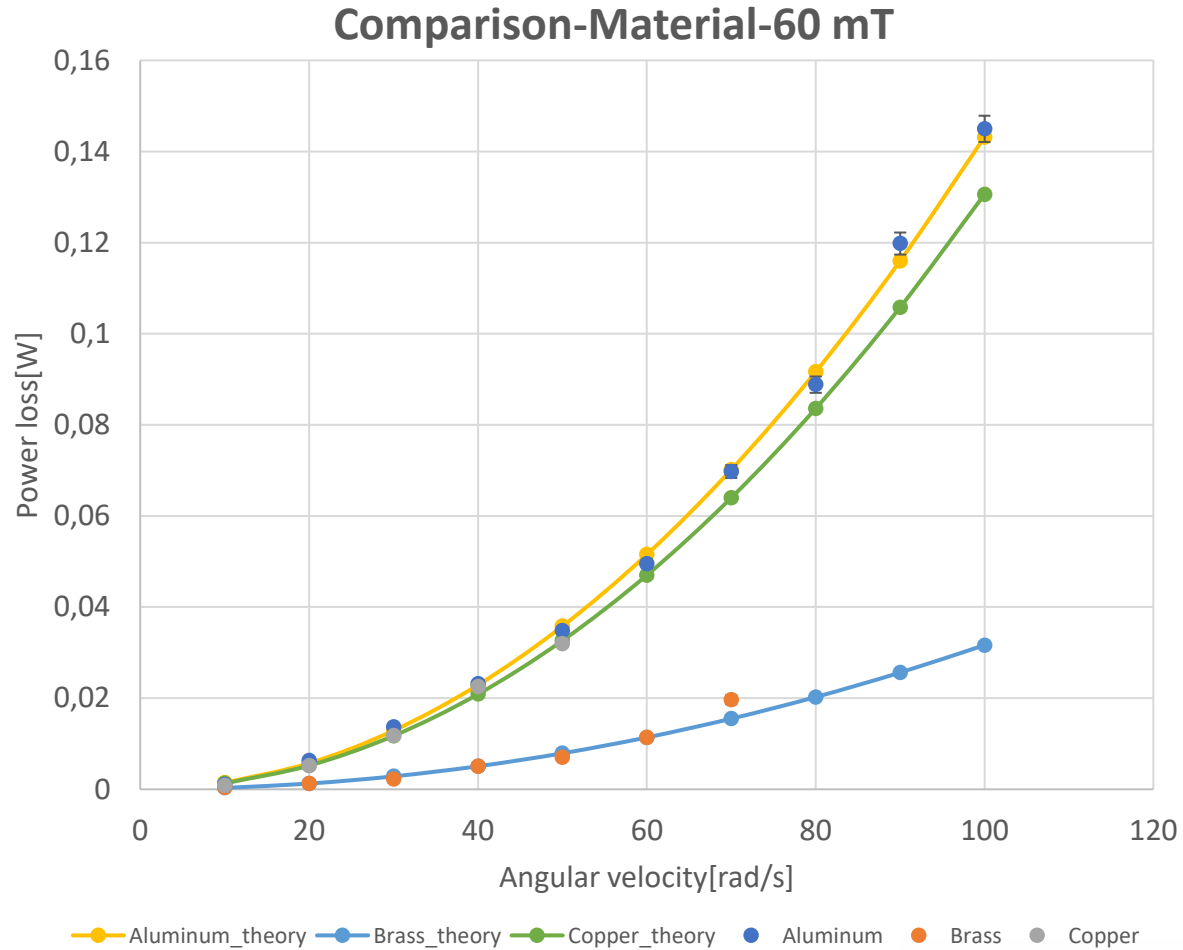
Magnet-Strength-Aluminum



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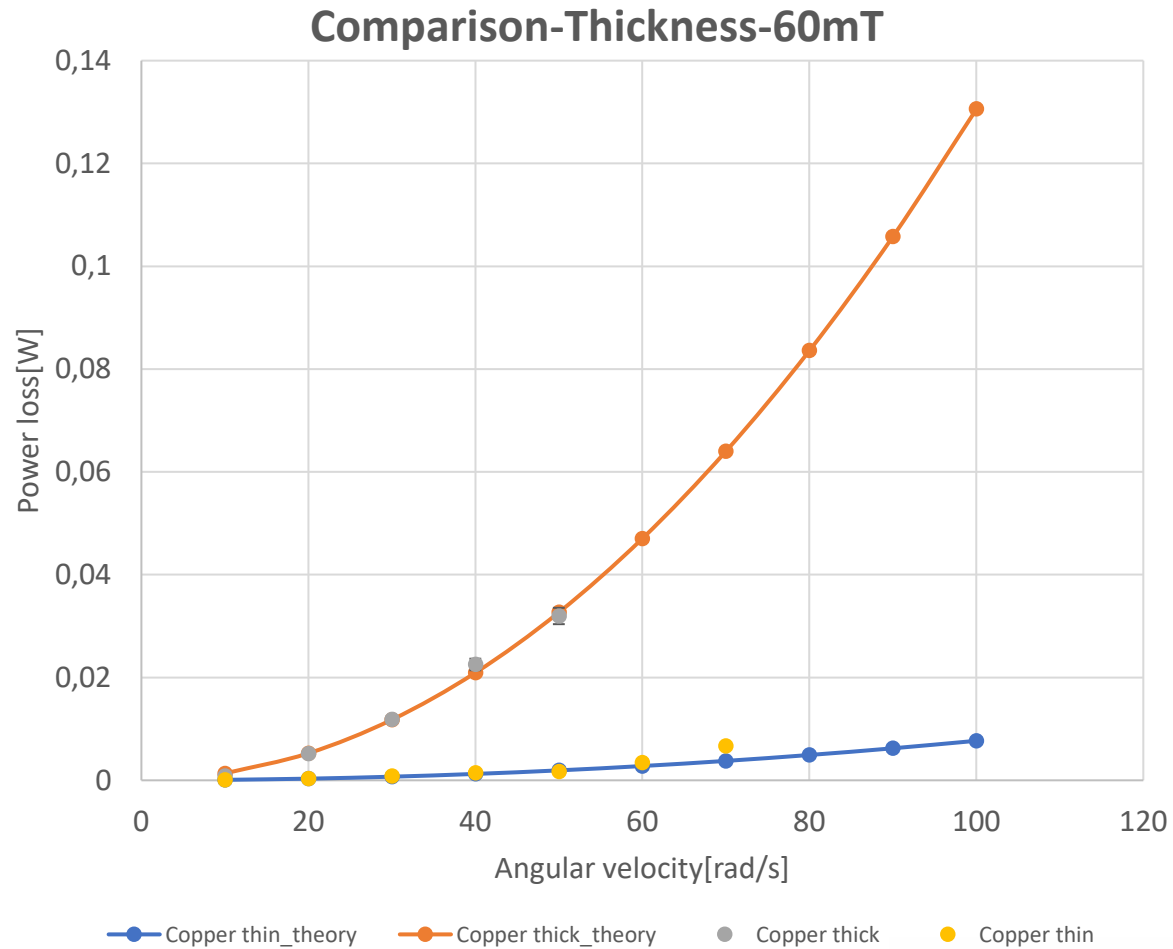


Different Materials



- Copper, Aluminum, Brass
- 60 mT
- Copper
 - Resistivity: $1.68 \cdot 10^{-8}$
 - Thickness: 1mm
 - Radius: 4.9 cm
- Aluminum
 - Resistivity: $2.65 \cdot 10^{-8}$
 - Thickness: 4 mm
 - Radius: 4.2 cm
- Brass
 - Resistivity: $0.9 \cdot 10^{-7}$
 - Thickness: 3mm
 - Radius: 4.2 cm

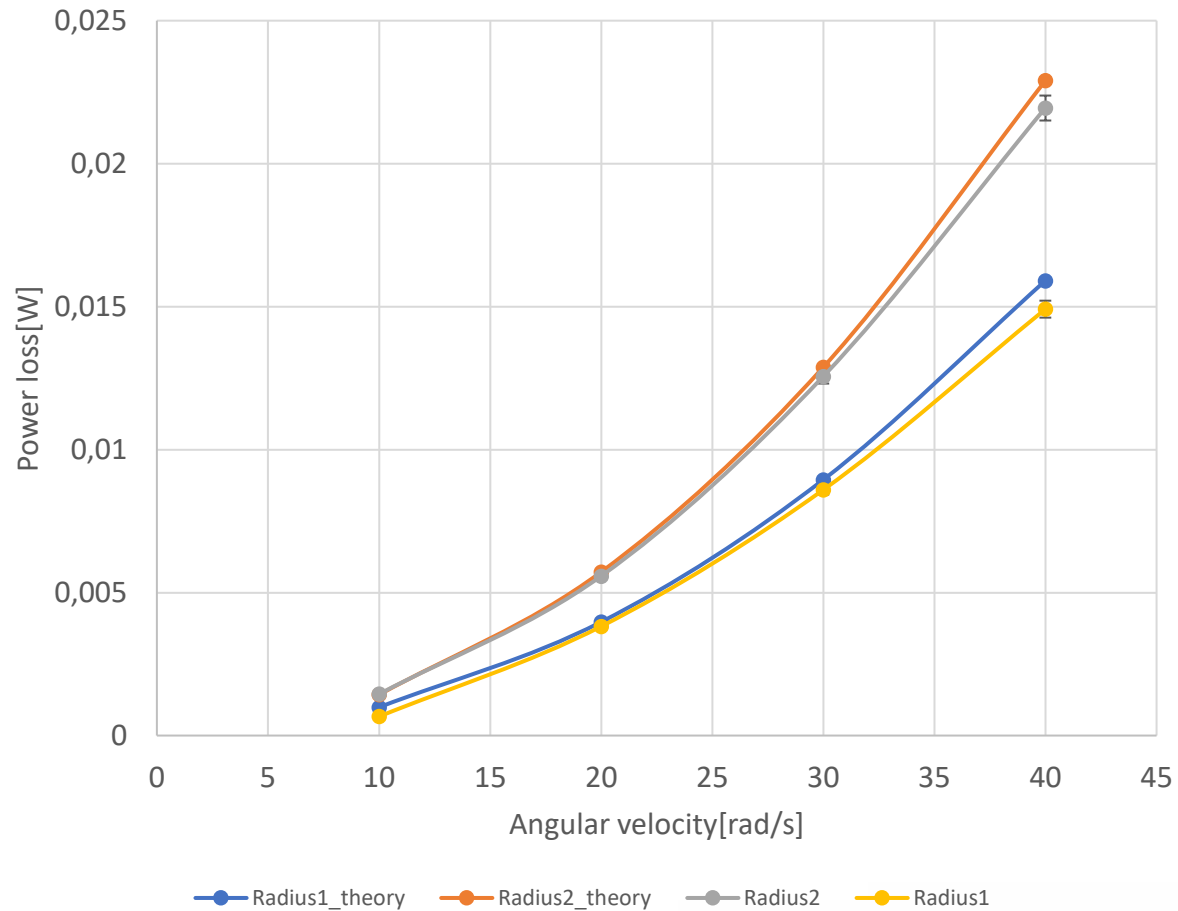
Different Thicknesses



- Copper
- 60 mT
- Thick: 1mm
- Thinn: 35 μm

Different Radii

Comparison-Radii-Aluminum



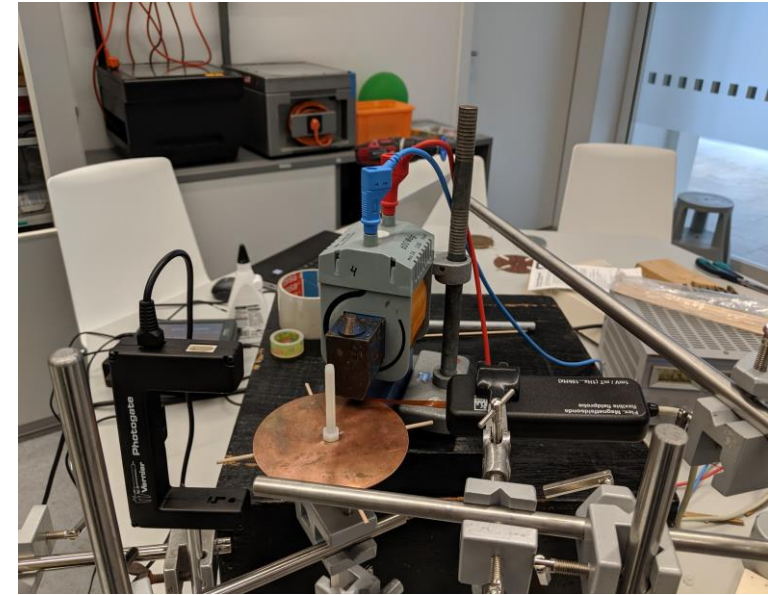
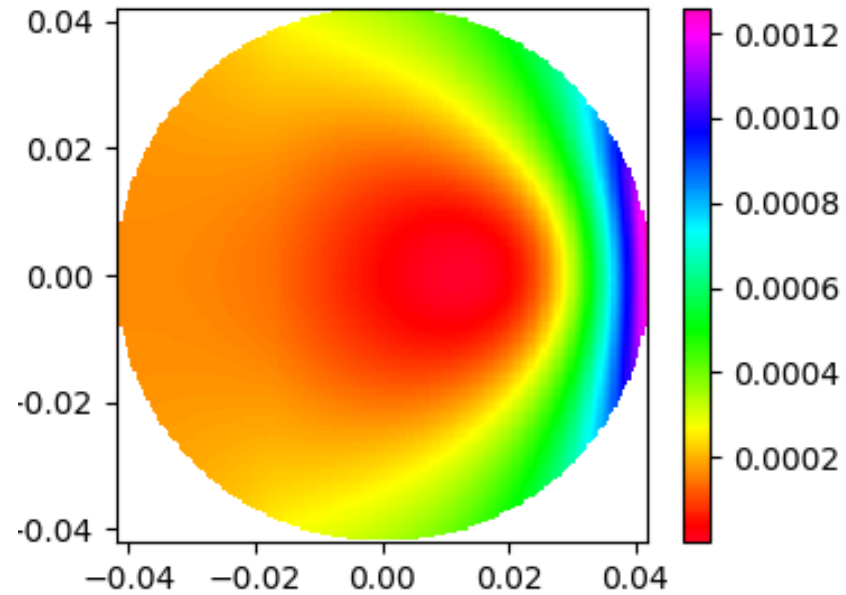
- Aluminum
- 50 mT
- Radius 1: 3.5 cm
- Radius 2: 1.5 cm

Error estimation

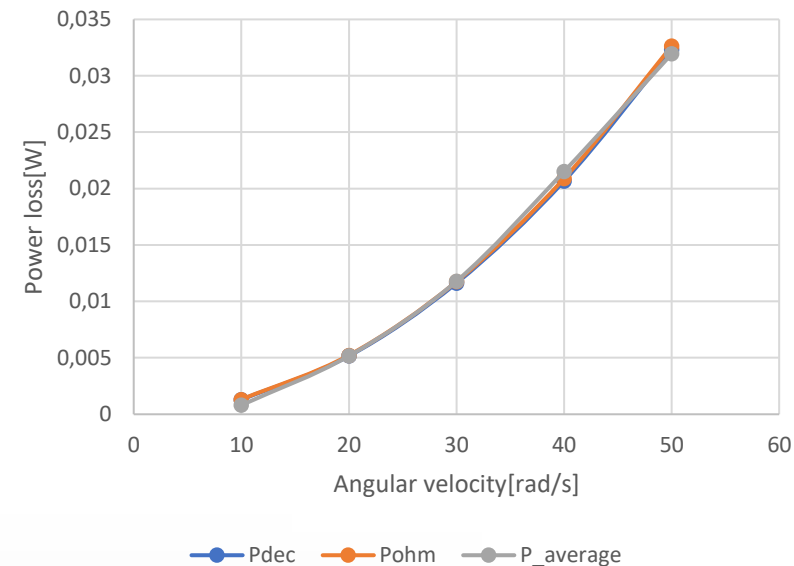
- Moment of inertia of wooden sticks
 - Negligible
- Drag of rotational pivot & air
 - Approximated with trend line
 - Negligible at high B
- B profile
 - Finer grid for more accuracy
- Heat created
 - Negligible
- Higher resolution with more sticks
 - 4 suffice
- Light wavering of plate in vertical direction

Conclusion

- Theory
 - Simulation
 - Energy loss
 - Force
- Experiment
 - Parameter variation
 - Setup
- Comparison
 - Theory proved to be right
 - Relationships identified for:
 - ω , B , d , ρ
 - Numerical solutions for others



Comparison-Copper-60 mT



Thank you for your attention!

Appendix

Teslameter-Comparison-Aluminum

- Find out B with P at certain parameters
- Unable to do that
 - No uniform magnetic field
 - Need magnetic B profile
- Magnetic field strength calculation:
 - Invert the formula
 - Apply on power loss of experiment
- Example:
- Aluminum, 100 rad/s
- Magnetic field strength measured: 50 mT
- Magnetic field strength from gyroscope teslameter: 51,4 mT

$$P_{dec}(B_{max}, \omega, \rho, d) = P_{dec}(B_{max}^0, \omega^0, \rho^0, d^0) \frac{(B_{max}\omega)^2 \rho^0 d}{(B_{max}^0 \omega^0)^2 \rho d^0}$$

Case of many magnets

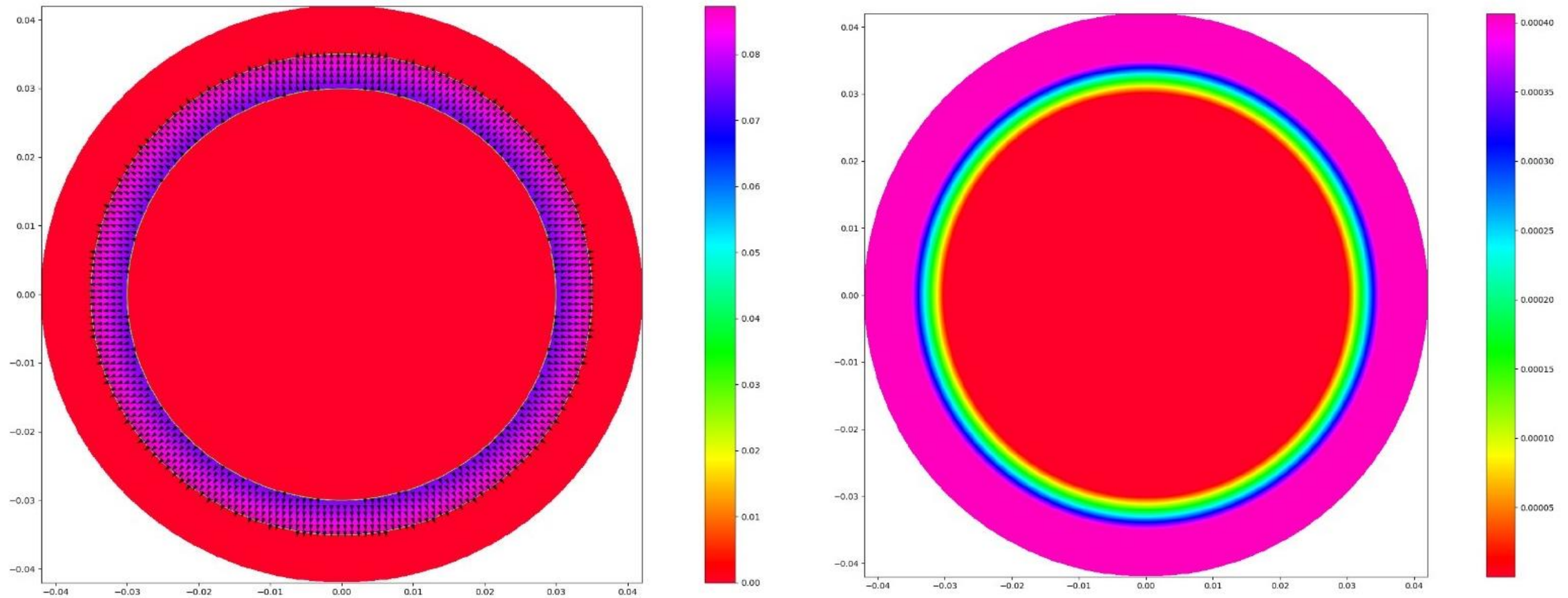
Magnets on different places on plate

- Deceleration rate adds up

Magnets next to each other

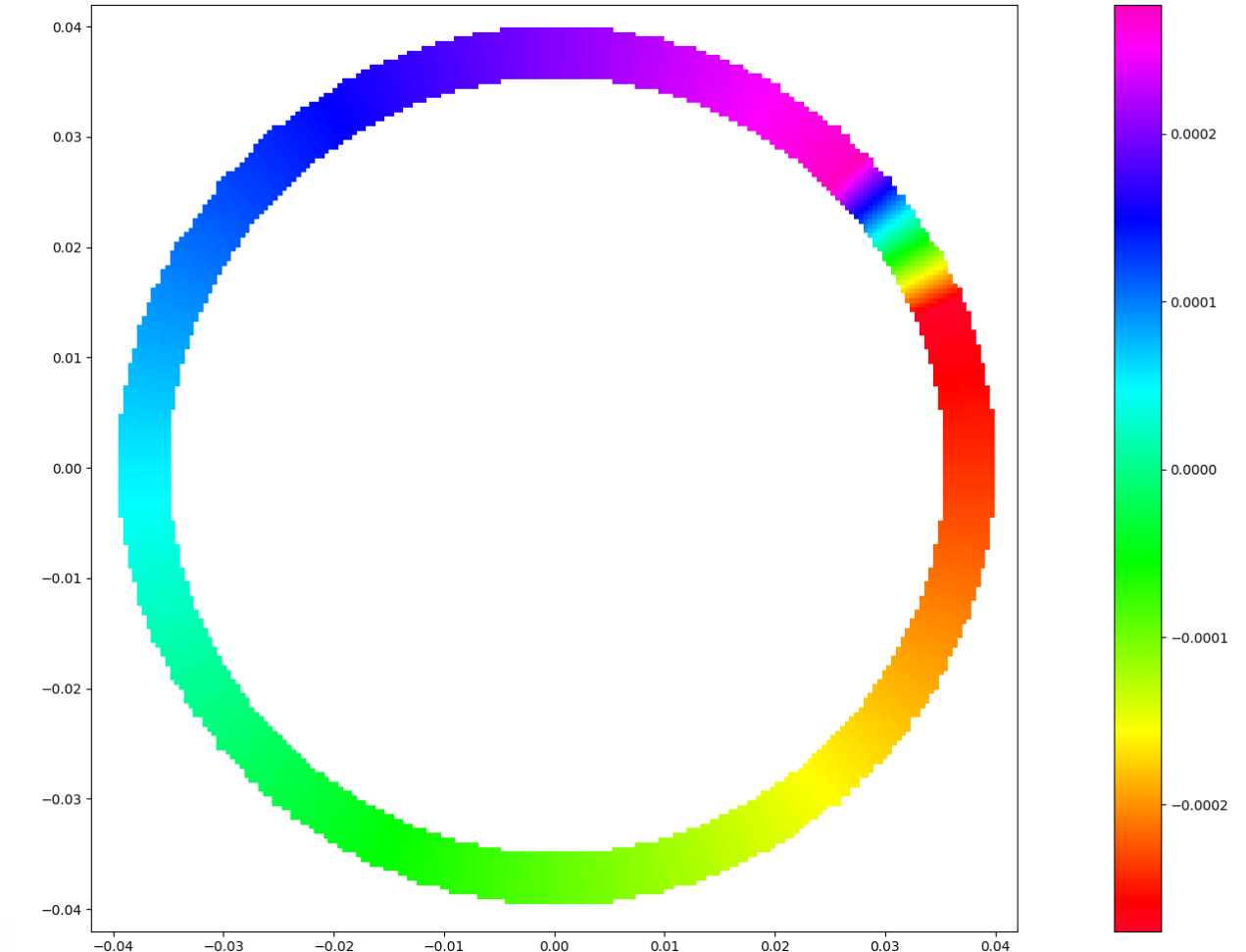
- No effect

Special case-whole plate under magnet



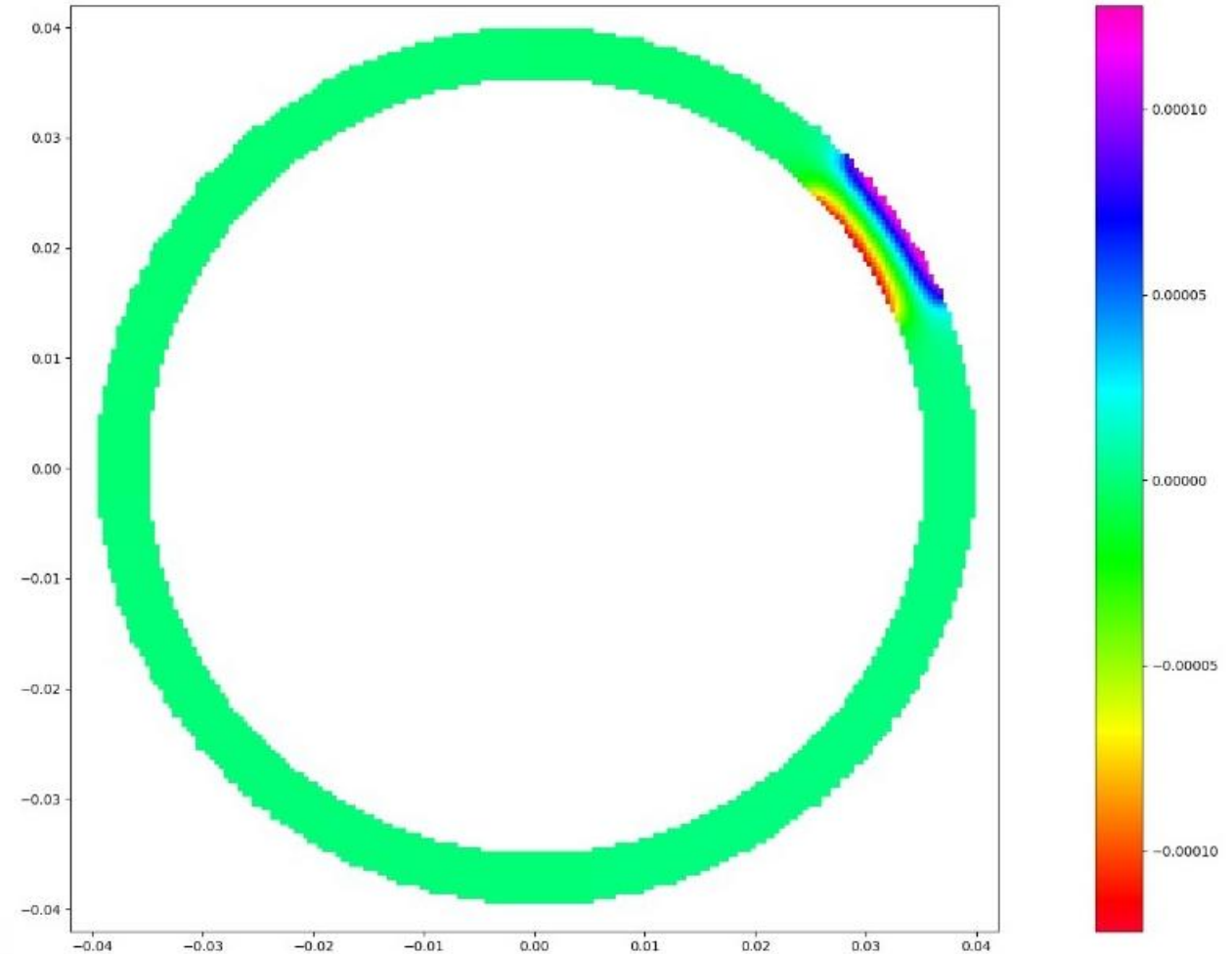
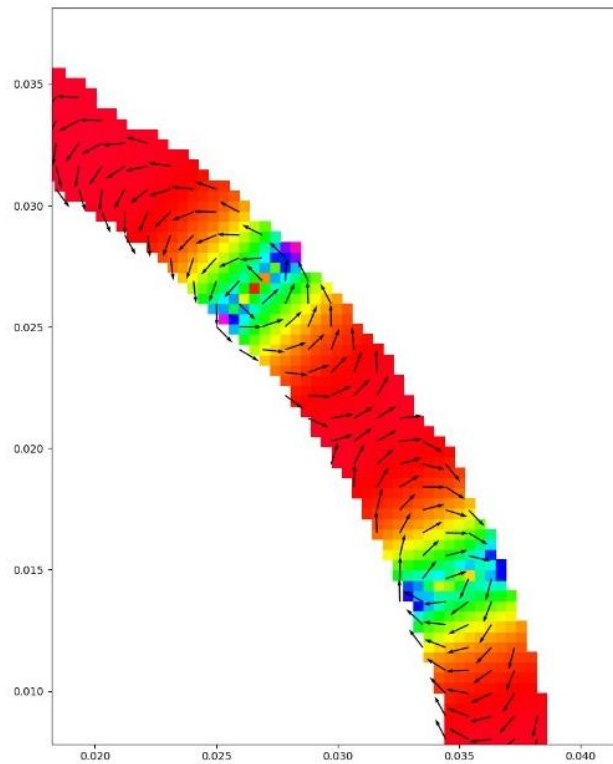
Special case-electric field exerted on ring structure

- Electric field only on small part
- Electrical potential in ring \rightarrow electrical field opposing external external field
- Causing currents to flow
- Power loss $\rightarrow P = U^2 \cdot R$



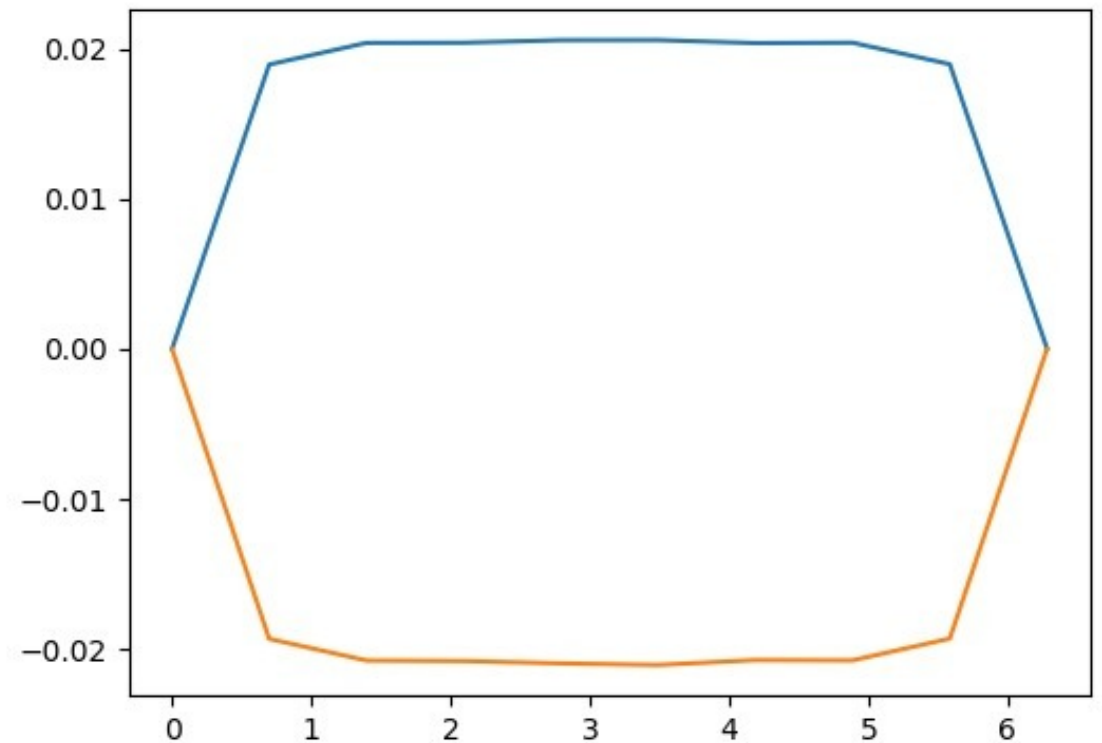
Special case-magnetic field exerted on ring structure

- Same as with plate

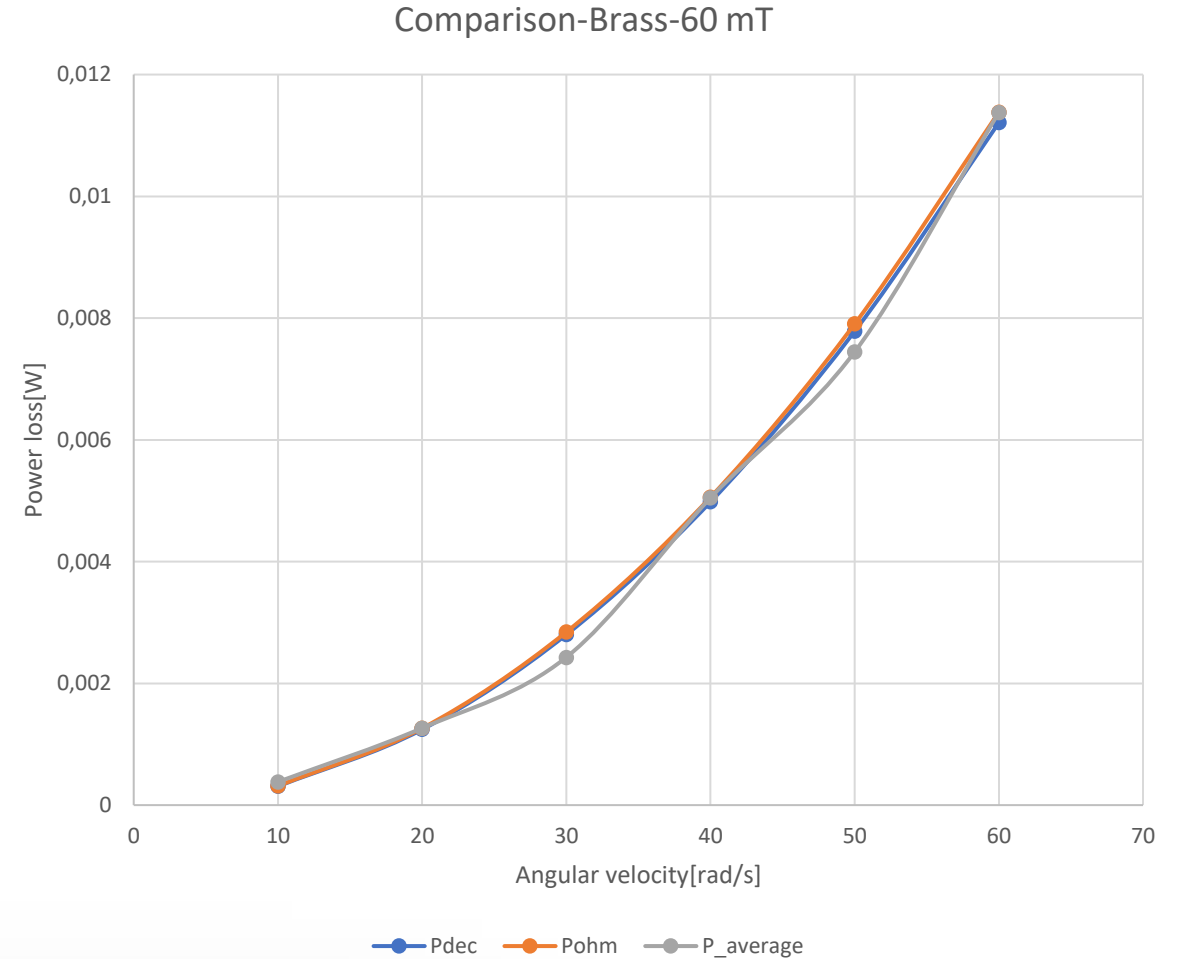
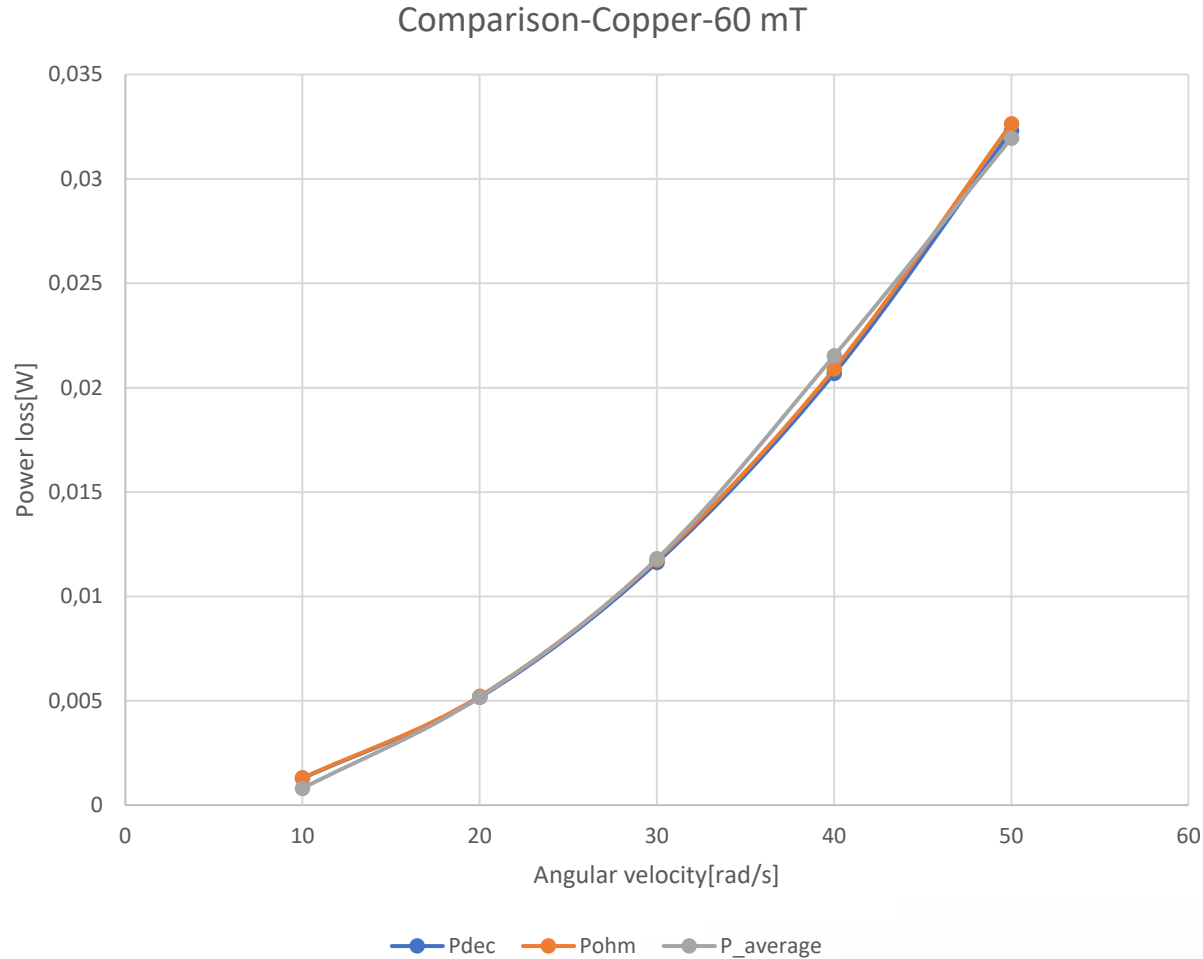


Special case-magnetic field with different angles

- High angles to full plate
 - No place for the charges to flow back
- Low angles to no magnet
 - Charges do not build up that fast
- Between extreme cases power loss is quite constant
 - → angle does not have effect



Comparison of 3 Power Losses-Copper, Brass



Angular velocity as a function of time

$$P = P_0 \cdot \frac{\omega^2}{\omega_0^2}$$

$$P = \alpha \cdot I_m \cdot \omega$$

$$\alpha = \frac{P_0 \cdot \frac{\omega^2}{\omega_0^2}}{I_m \cdot \omega} = \frac{P_0}{I_m \cdot \omega_0^2} \cdot \omega$$

$$\omega(t) = \omega_0 \cdot \left(\frac{P_0}{I_m \cdot \omega_0^2} \right)^t$$

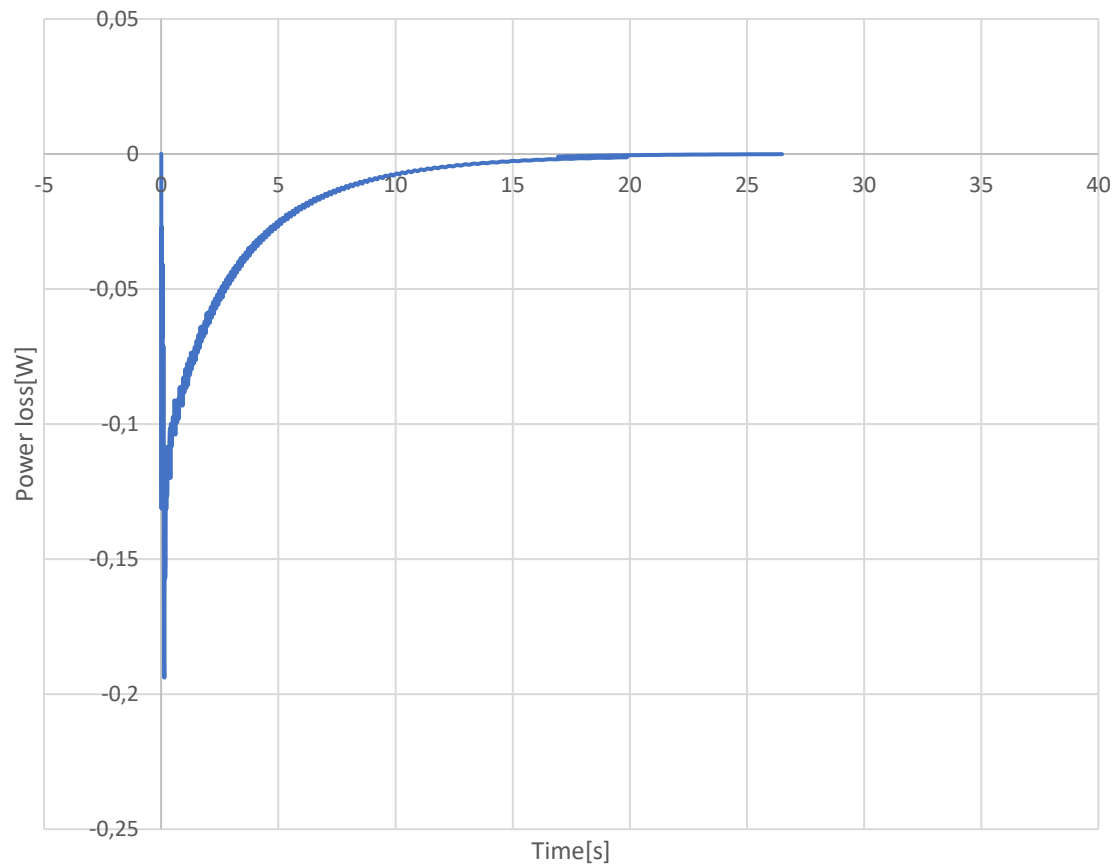
$$P = P_0 \cdot \frac{\omega^2}{\omega_0^2}$$

$$P = P_0 \cdot \left(\frac{P_0}{I_m \cdot \omega_0^2} \right)^{2t}$$

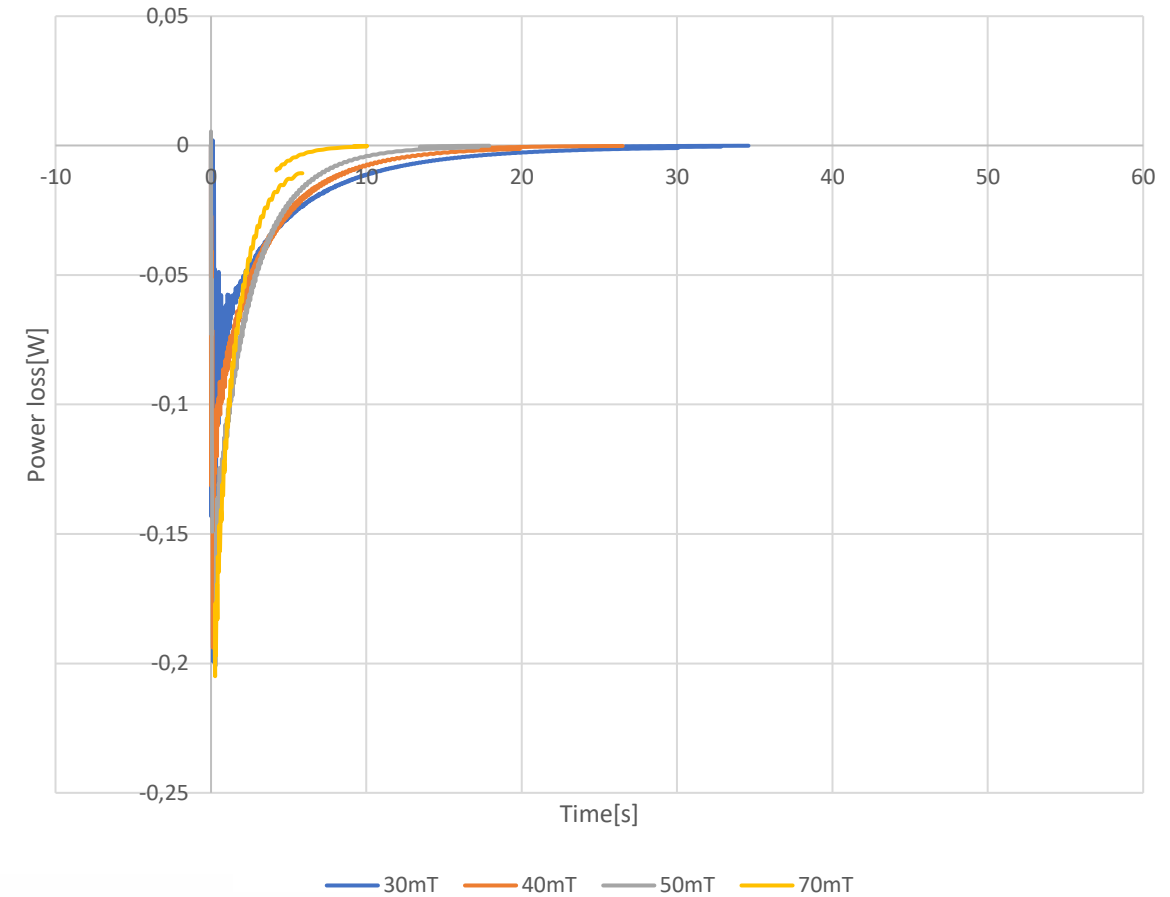
ω over time is exponential \rightarrow power over time is exponential

Power loss over time

Aluminum-40 mT



Comparison-Aluminum



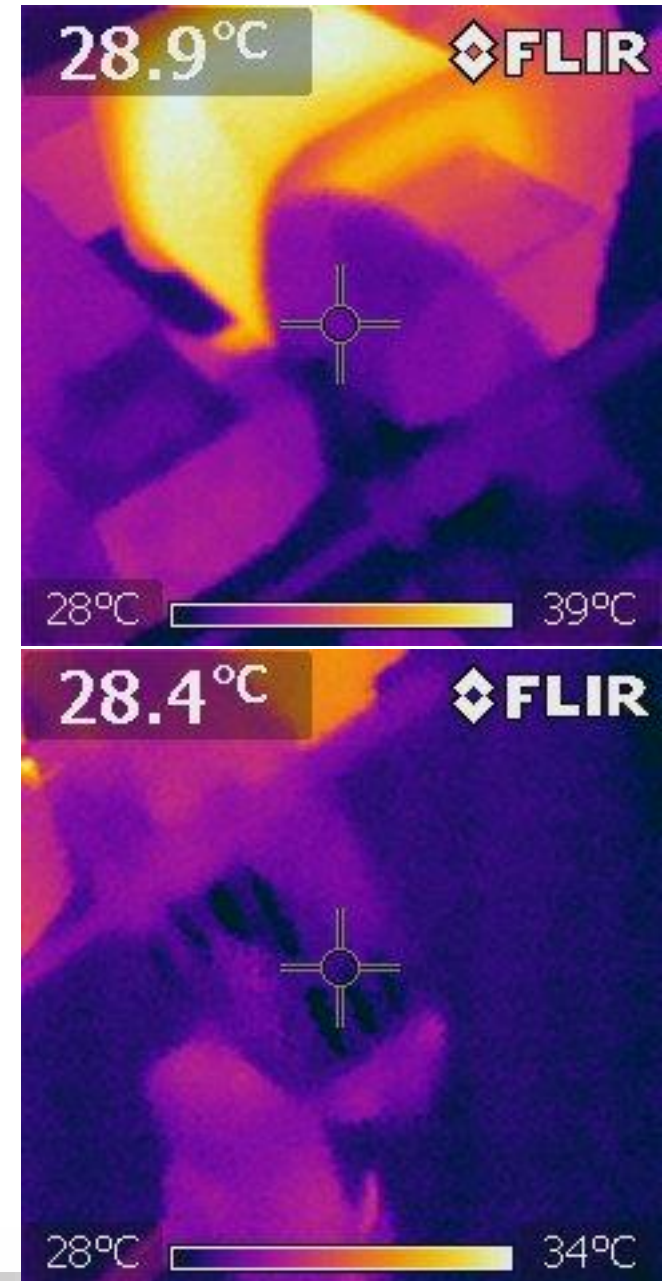
Joule heating-Copper

Temperature increase relatively small

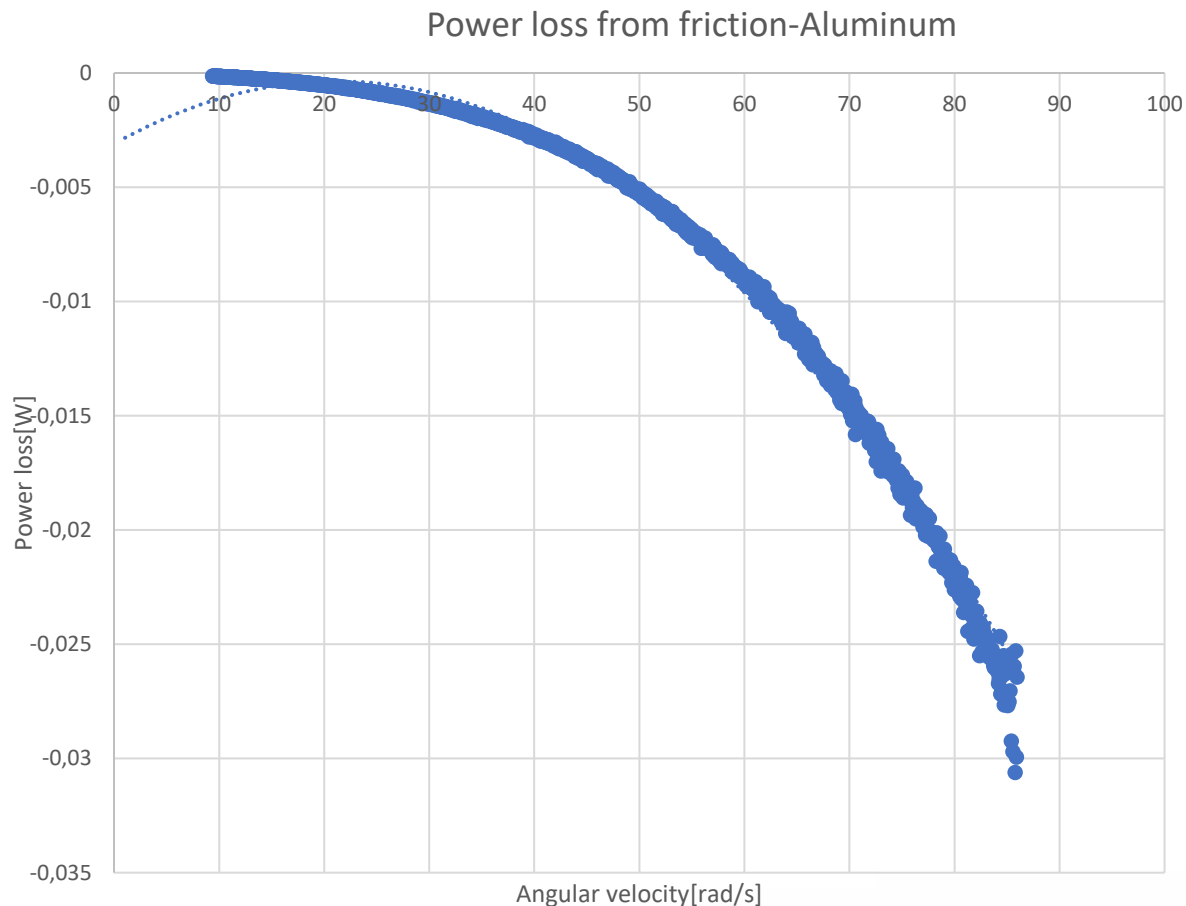
- Small effect
- About 0.5°C - 1°C

Only effects resistance

- Depends on material properties
- Not considerable

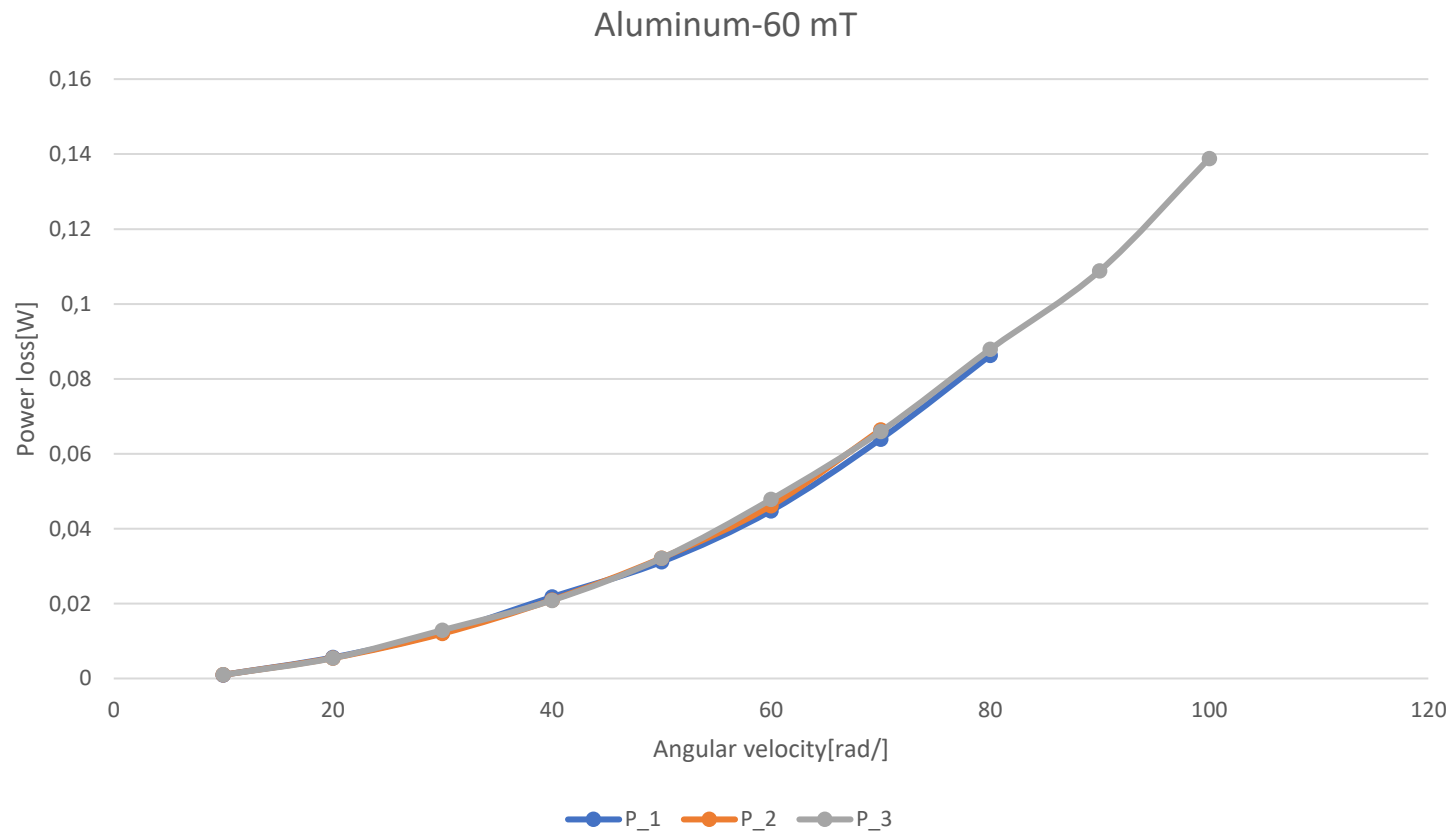


Trend line for friction term P_f



- Value taken for different angular velocities
- Assumed with a square function
- Subtracted from total power loss
- Power loss from magnetic field obtained

3 runs



- Average deviation of 2%

OUTLINE

Introduction

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Theory

- Theoretical power loss
 - Derivation
 - Resistance & current
- Relevant parameters

Conclusion

- Teslameter-comparison
- Error estimation

Experiment

- Experimental Setup
- Parameter variation

Comparison

- Result of experiment
- Magnetic field
- Frequency
- Thickness
- Radius