

CP2 ELECTROMAGNETISM

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LECTURE 17: SELF & MUTUAL INDUCTANCE



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$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} &= \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} &= 0 \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{E} &= -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} \\ \frac{1}{\mu_0} \nabla \times \mathbf{B} &= \mathbf{J} + \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t}\end{aligned}$$

OUTLINE : 17. SELF & MUTUAL INDUCTANCE

17.1 Example : self inductance of two parallel wires

17.2 Mutual inductance

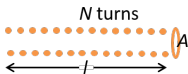
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Self inductance summary

Self-inductance L is the ratio of the voltage (emf) produced in a circuit by self-induction, to the rate of change in current causing the induction.

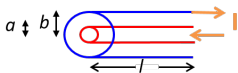
$$L = \frac{\frac{d\Phi}{dt}}{\frac{dI}{dt}} = \frac{d\Phi}{dI} = \frac{-\mathcal{E}}{\dot{I}}$$

Self-inductance of a long coil.



$$L = \frac{d\Phi}{dI} = \mu_0 \frac{N^2}{l} A$$

Self-inductance of a coaxial cable.



$$L = \frac{\mu_0}{2\pi} \ln\left(\frac{b}{a}\right) l$$

Self-inductance of two parallel wires.



$$L = \frac{\mu_0}{\pi} \ln\left(\frac{d-a}{a}\right) l$$

Units of self inductance : the Henry $[H] \equiv [kg\ m^2\ s^{-2}\ A^{-2}]$.

When the current changes at one ampere per second ($A\ s^{-1}$), an inductance of 1 H results in the generation of one volt (1 V) of potential difference.

17.1 Example : self inductance of two parallel wires

Calculate the self inductance of two parallel wires, radius a , separation to the centres d , and of length ℓ

- ▶ From Ampere's law, outside each wire :

$$B = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi r}$$

Radial area element ℓdr

- ▶ Magnetic flux :

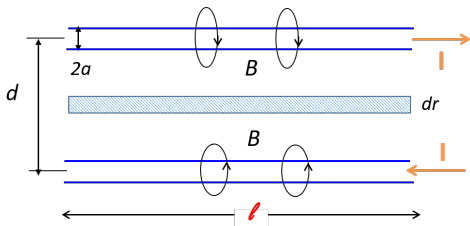
$$\Phi = 2 \times \int_a^{d-a} B \ell dr$$

(factor 2 because same contribution from 2 wires):

$$= 2 \times \int_a^{d-a} \frac{\mu_0 I \ell}{2\pi r} dr = \frac{\mu_0 \ell}{\pi} \log_e \left(\frac{d-a}{a} \right) I$$

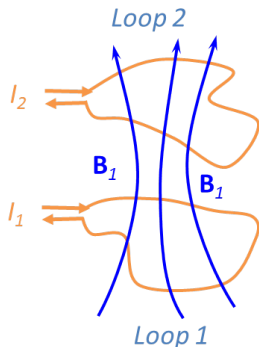
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$$L = \frac{\Phi}{I} = \frac{\mu_0}{\pi} \ell \log_e \left(\frac{d-a}{a} \right)$$

$$\approx \frac{\mu_0}{\pi} \ell \log_e \left(\frac{d}{a} \right) \text{ for } a \ll d$$



17.2 Mutual inductance

- ▶ Current I_1 through circuit loop 1 generates magnetic field density B_1 which penetrates circuit loop 2
- ▶ A change in current I_1 will induce an EMF in circuit loop 2



- ▶ Define *mutual inductance* M

$$M_{21} = \frac{\Phi_2}{I_1} ; M_{12} = \frac{\Phi_1}{I_2} ; M_{12} = M_{21}$$

- ▶ Since $\Phi \propto I$, can also be written $M_{21} = \frac{d\Phi_2}{dI_1}$; $M_{12} = \frac{d\Phi_1}{dI_2}$

17.3 Mutual induction of two coaxial solenoids

1. Current through coil 1 creates magnetic field through coil 2.

$$B_1 = \mu_0 \frac{N_1}{\ell_1} I_1$$

▶ A_2 : area of pick-up coil 2

▶ Flux experienced by coil 2

$$\Phi_2 = N_2 A_2 B_1 = \mu_0 \frac{N_1}{\ell_1} I_1 N_2 A_2$$

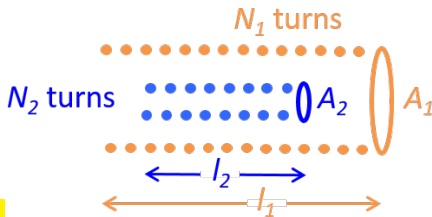
▶ Mutual inductance :

$$M_{21} = \frac{\Phi_2}{I_1} = \mu_0 \frac{N_1 N_2}{\ell_1} A_2$$

▶ EMF induced in coil 2 :

$$\mathcal{E} = -\frac{d\Phi_2}{dt} = -\mu_0 \frac{N_1}{\ell_1} A_2 N_2 \frac{dI_1}{dt}$$

$$\mathcal{E} = -M_{21} \frac{dI_1}{dt} \quad (\text{compare to } \mathcal{E} = -L \frac{dI}{dt} \text{ for self inductance})$$



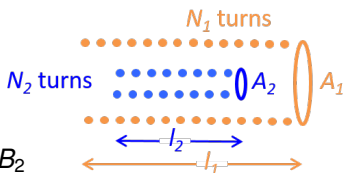
Mutual induction of two coaxial solenoids continued

2. Current through coil 2 creates magnetic field through coil 1.

- ▶ $\Phi_1 = \int B_2 da'_1$ (da'_1 is "effective" area)

Now it's more complicated
as B_2 is not uniform through coil 1 !

- ▶ Flux experienced by coil 1 $\Phi_1 = N'_1 A'_1 B_2$



Overlap with volume over which B is "strongest"

- ▶ Approximate : neglect stray fields of B_2 outside coil 2

then $A'_1 = A_2$ and $N'_1 = N_1 \frac{\ell_2}{\ell_1}$ and $B_2 = \mu_0 \frac{N_2}{\ell_2} I_2$

- ▶ Mutual inductance :

$$M_{12} = \frac{\Phi_1}{I_2} = \frac{N_1 (\ell_2/\ell_1) A_2 \mu_0 (N_2/\ell_2) I_2}{I_2} = \mu_0 \frac{N_1 N_2}{\ell_1} A_2 = M_{21}$$

- ▶ $M_{12} = M_{21}$ This is Neumann's theorem. (It turns out even if we had done the exact calculation the result would have been the same)

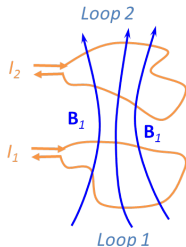
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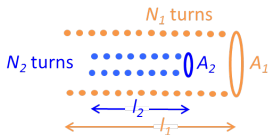
$$M_{12} = \frac{d\phi_1}{dl_2}$$

Neumann
formula
 $M_{12} = M_{21}$

$$M_{21} = \frac{d\phi_2}{dl_1}$$



Mutual inductance of two coaxial solenoids.



$$M_{12} = \mu_0 \frac{N_1 N_2}{l_1} A_2$$

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