

EEE 3352

Electromechanics & Electrical Machines



Lecture 3: Magnetic circuits



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Lecture objectives

- at the end of the lecture, students should be able to
 - **define** a magnetic circuit
 - **compare** a magnetic circuit to an electric circuit
 - **derive** the expressions for reluctance and inductance of a uniform magnetic circuit
 - **determine** reluctances in composite arrangements
 - **calculate** reluctances for uniform magnetic circuits
 - **determine** the effects of inductance on application of ac voltage
 - **derive** equivalent circuit of a real inductor
 - **develop** phasor diagram of electrical quantities of an inductor



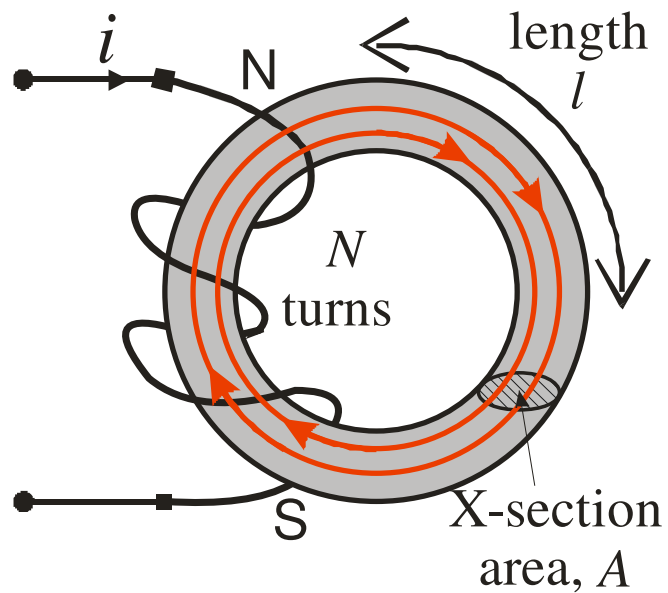
3.1 Introduction

Definition

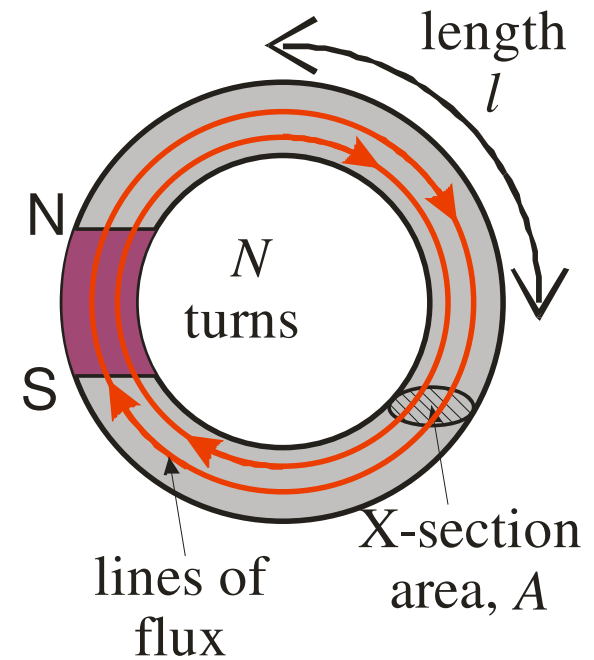
- characteristic of lines of magnetic flux:
 - each line is a **closed path**
- a complete closed path + any group of lines of magnetic flux
 - forms a **magnetic circuit**

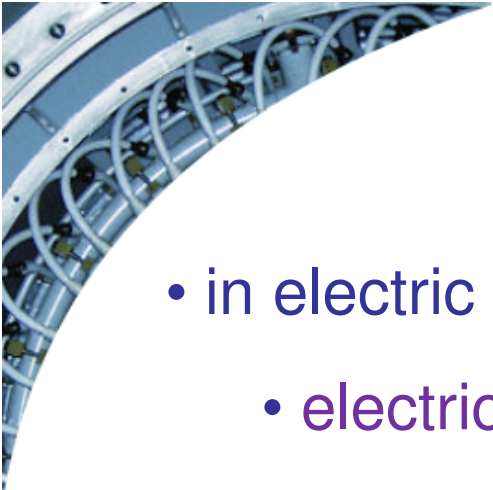
Sources of mmf, F

- Coil current



- Permanent magnet (PM)





3.2 Electric circuit analogy

- in electric circuits:
 - electric current is due to effect of **emf**, V
- in magnetic circuits:
 - magnetic flux is due to effect of **mmf**, F
- if a current-carrying coil is used as source of **mmf**
 - a current i flowing
 - coil of N turns
 - mmf F generated is

$$mmf = F = Ni$$

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- **mmf** per unit length of the magnetic circuit
 - is called **magnetic field strength, H**
 - if mean length of the magnetic circuit is l , then

$$F = Ni = Hl \quad \rightarrow \quad H = \frac{Ni}{l}$$

- H produces B wherever it exists:

$$B = \mu H$$

$$\mu = \mu_r \mu_o$$

- μ_o = permeability of free space; $\mu_o = 4\pi \times 10^{-7}$ H/m
- μ_r = relative permeability

- for air, $\mu_r = 1$; for other magnetic materials $\mu_r = 500-4000$

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- for uniform magnetic circuits:
 - X-section area, A ;
 - length l ,
 - permeability, μ

$$\Lambda = \frac{\phi}{F} = \frac{BA}{Hl} = \mu \frac{A}{l}$$

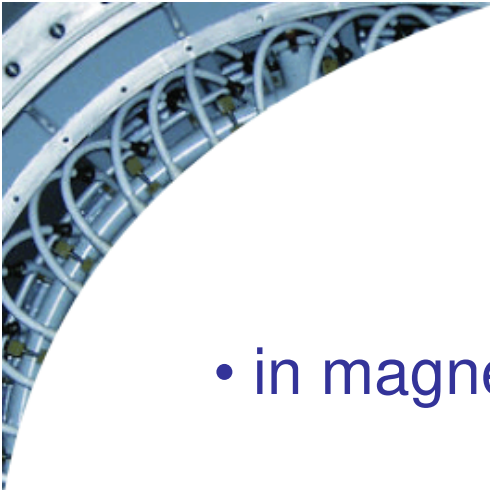
$$\phi = \frac{F}{S} = \frac{Ni}{l/\mu A}$$

$$S = \frac{1}{\Lambda} = \frac{l}{\mu A}$$



Analogy between magnet and electric circuits

Magnetic circuits	Electric circuits
ϕ	I
F	V
Λ	G
S	R

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- in magnetic circuits:

$$F_{\text{source}} = Ni$$

$$F_{\text{used}} = F_{\text{drop}} = \phi S$$

- hence:

$$F = \phi S$$

$$S = \frac{l}{\mu A}$$

- analogous electric circuits:

$$emf_{\text{source}} = e$$

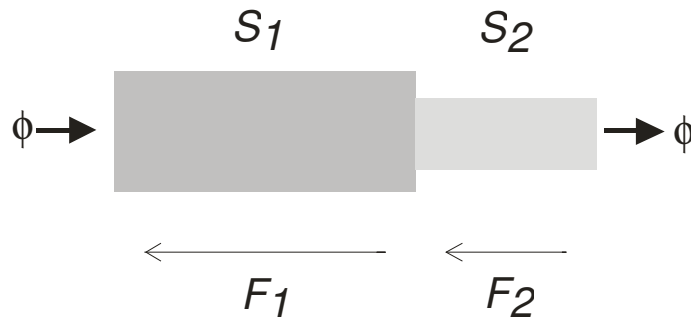
$$e_{\text{used}} = V_{\text{drop}} = IR$$

$$e = IR$$

$$R = \frac{l}{\sigma A}$$

3.3 Composite magnetic circuits

I. Series

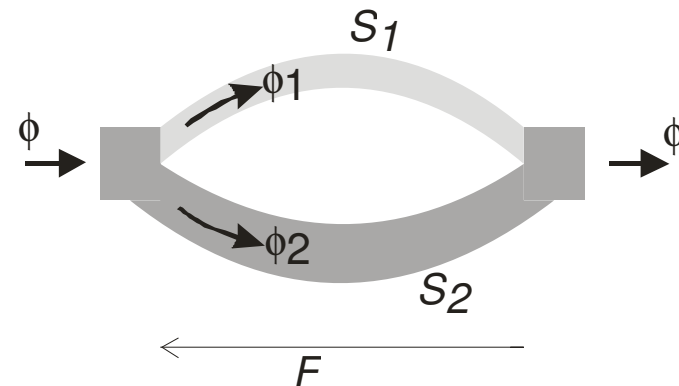


$$F = F_1 + F_2$$

$$\frac{F}{\phi} = \frac{F_1}{\phi} + \frac{F_2}{\phi}$$

$$S_{tot} = S_1 + S_1$$

II. Parallel



$$\phi = \phi_1 + \phi_2$$

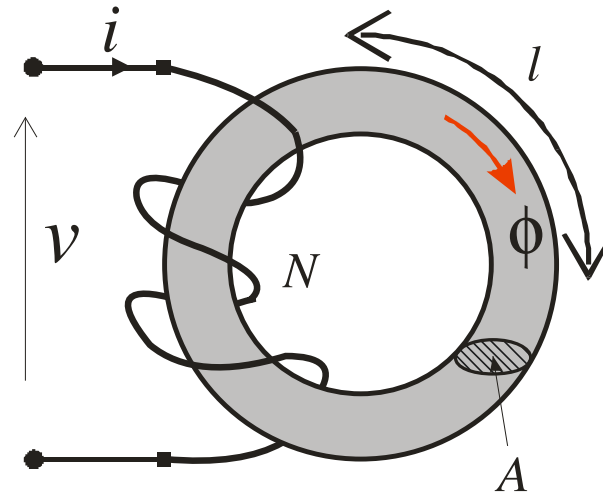
$$\frac{\phi}{F} = \frac{\phi_1}{F} + \frac{\phi_2}{F}$$

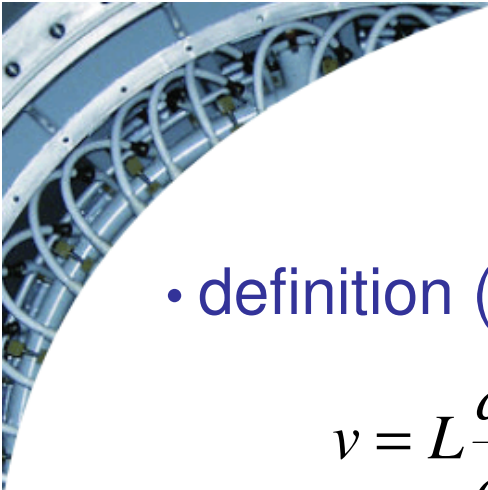
$$\frac{1}{S_{tot}} = \frac{1}{S_1} + \frac{1}{S_2}$$

- reluctances in series and parallel
- combine together in the same way as resistances

3.4 Inductance

- inductance exists in any circuit in which
 - a change of current causes change of magnetic flux
 - or there is voltage due to change of magnetic flux



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- definition (electrical circuit point of view) . . . [eq 1]:

$$v = L \frac{di}{dt}$$

- Faraday's law . . . [eq 2]:

$$v = N \frac{d\phi}{dt}$$

- equating [eq 1 & 2]:

$$L \frac{di}{dt} = N \frac{d\phi}{dt}$$

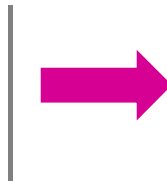
$$L = N \frac{d\phi}{di}$$

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- for uniform case:

$$L = N \frac{\phi}{i}$$

- but

$$\phi = \frac{F}{S} = \frac{Ni}{S}$$

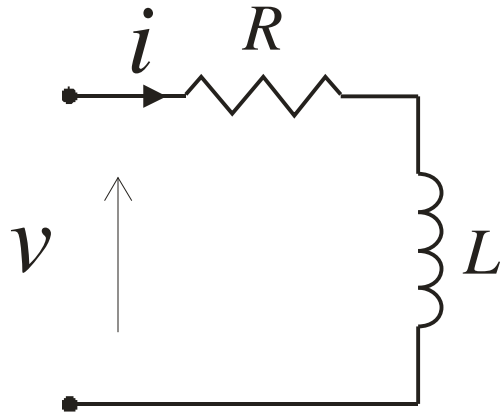


$$L = \frac{N^2}{S}$$

- thus, inductance L depends on:

- geometry: A & l
- material: μ
- turns: N

3.4.1 Inductance on dc



- real coil, with resistance R

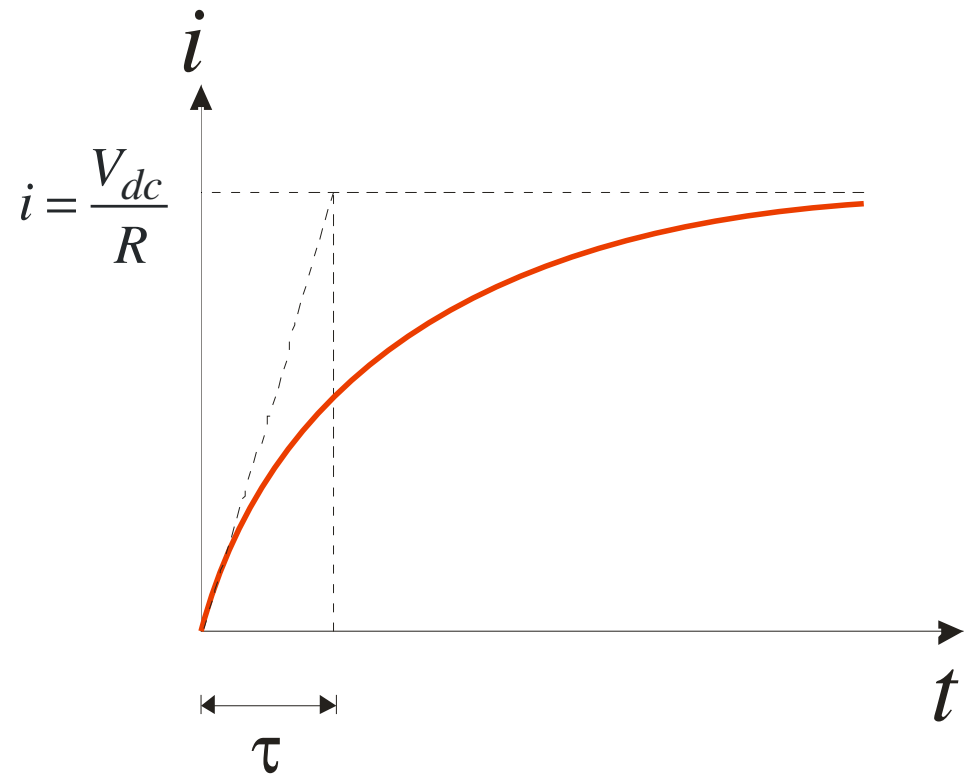
$$v = Ri + L \frac{di}{dt}$$

- thus, on dc

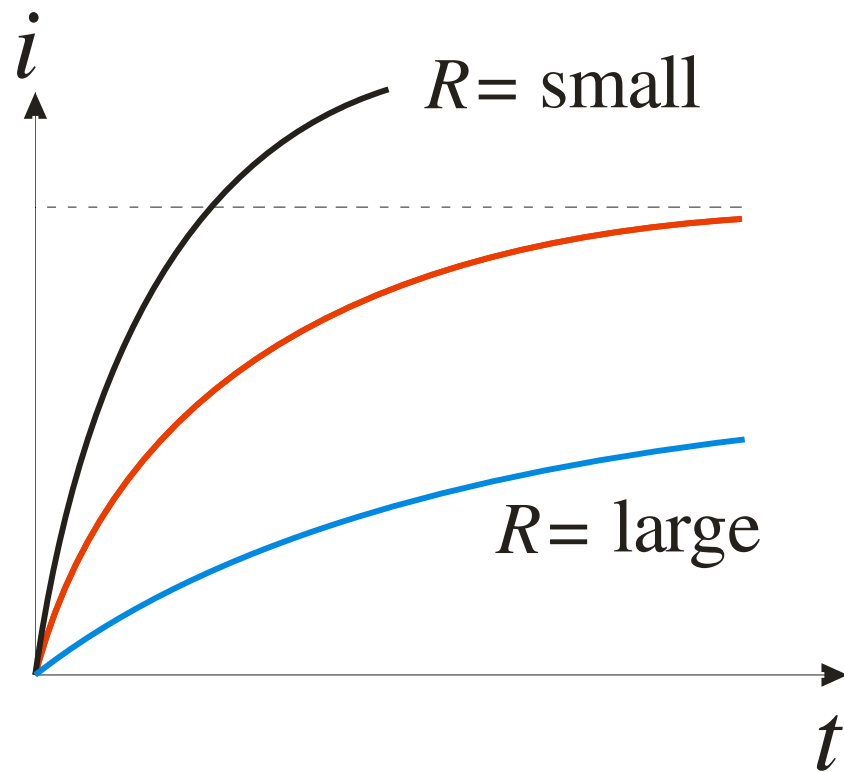
$$V_{dc} = Ri + L \frac{di}{dt}$$

$$i = \frac{V_{dc}}{R} \left(1 - e^{-t/\tau} \right)$$

$$\tau = L/R = \text{time constant}$$

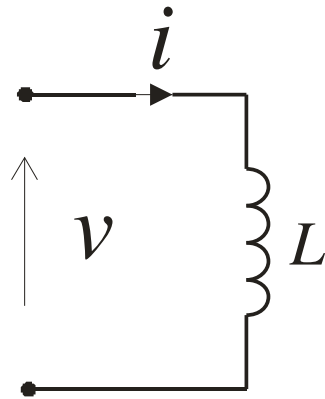


- given L , variable R



3.4.2 Inductance on ac

- consider pure L

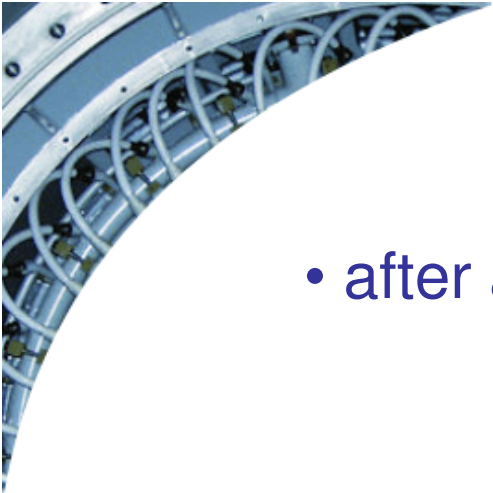


$$v(t) = L \frac{di(t)}{dt}$$

- with sinusoidal supply, v

$$v(t) = V_m \sin \omega t$$

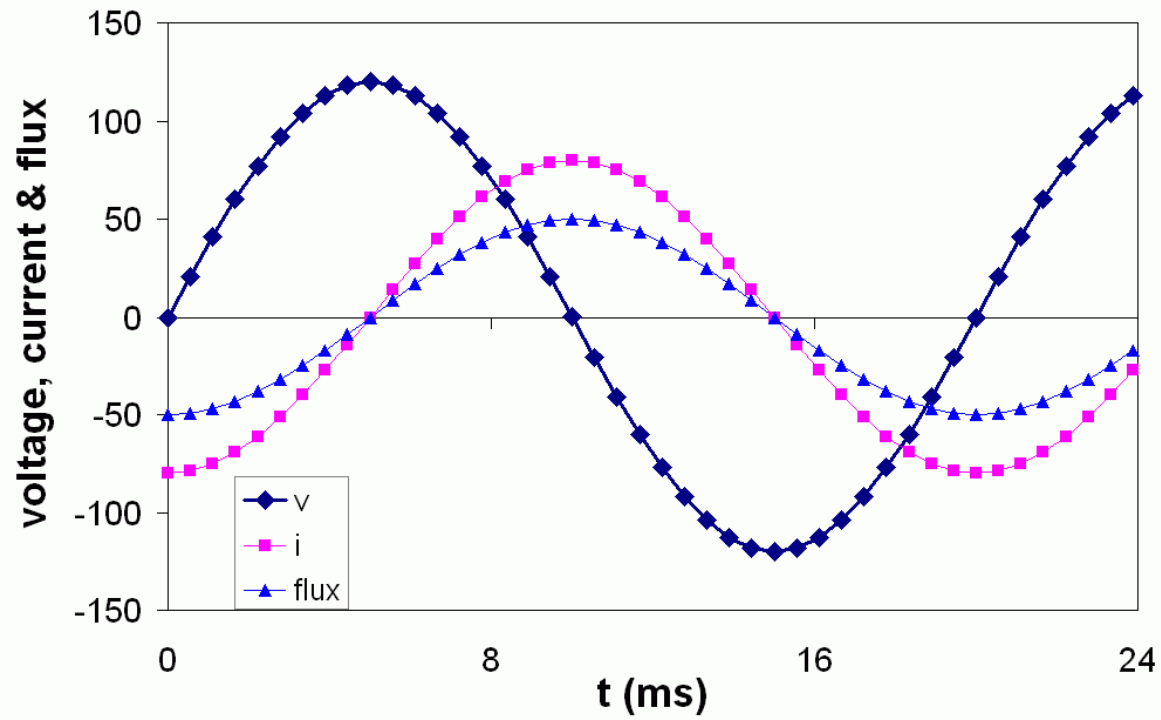
$$i(t) = \frac{1}{L} \int v dt = -\frac{V_m}{\omega L} \cos \omega t + \text{constant}$$

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- after a long time, constant = 0

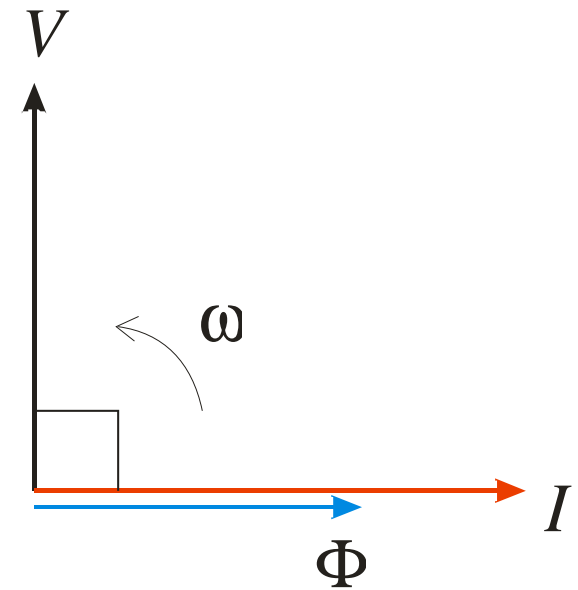
$$\phi = \frac{F}{S} = \frac{Ni}{S}$$

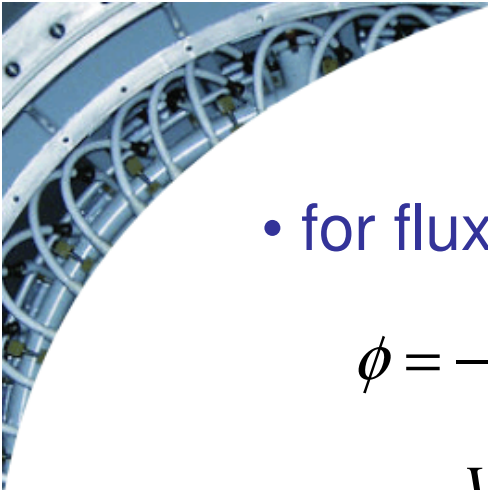
$$\phi(t) = -\frac{NV_m}{S\omega L} \cos \omega t$$

waveforms



Phasor diagram



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- for flux:

$$\phi = -\frac{V_m}{\omega N} \cos \omega t$$

$$\Phi_m = \frac{V_m}{\omega N}$$

$$V_m = \omega N \Phi_m$$

$$\sqrt{2}V = 2\pi fNB_mA$$

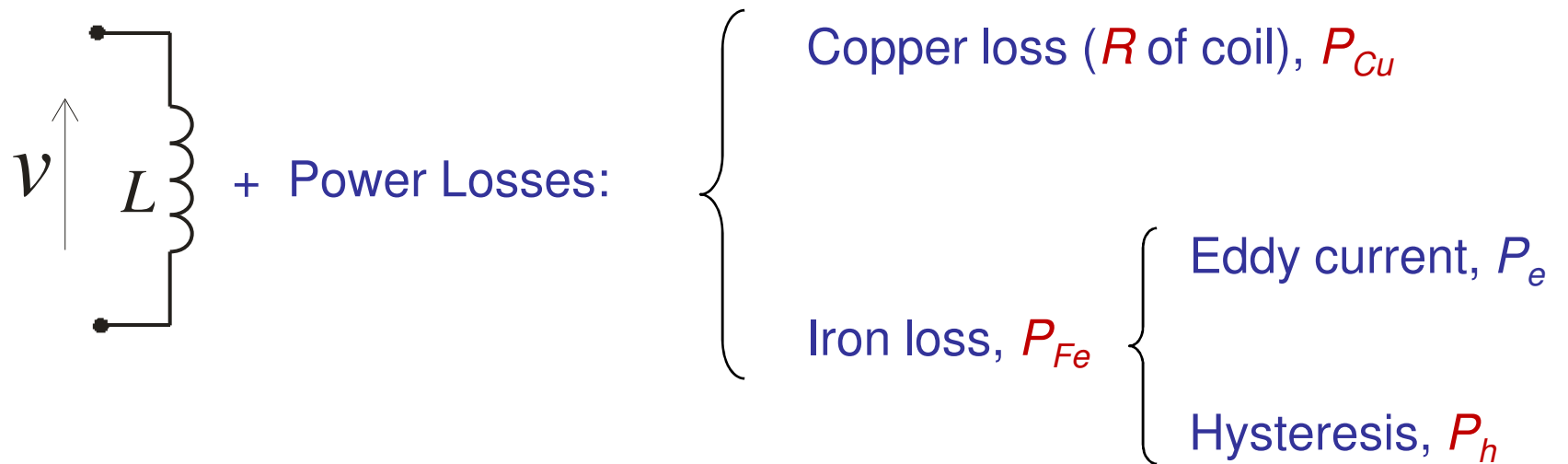
$$V = 4.44 fNB_mA$$

→ the transformer equation

rms value

peak value

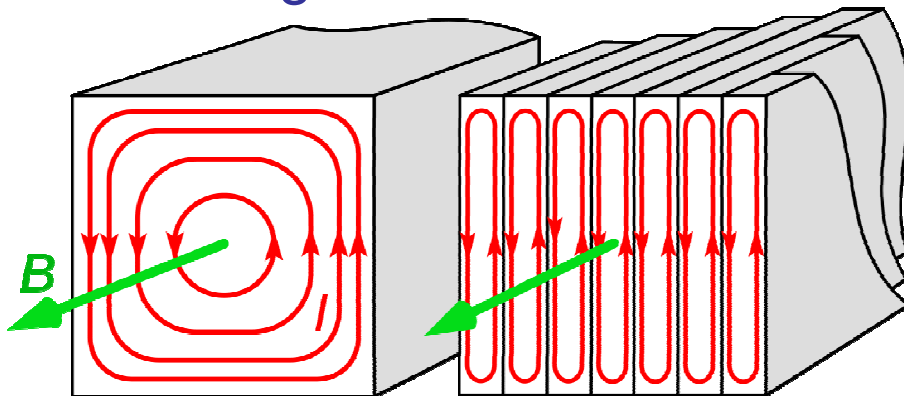
5. Real inductor





Eddy current:

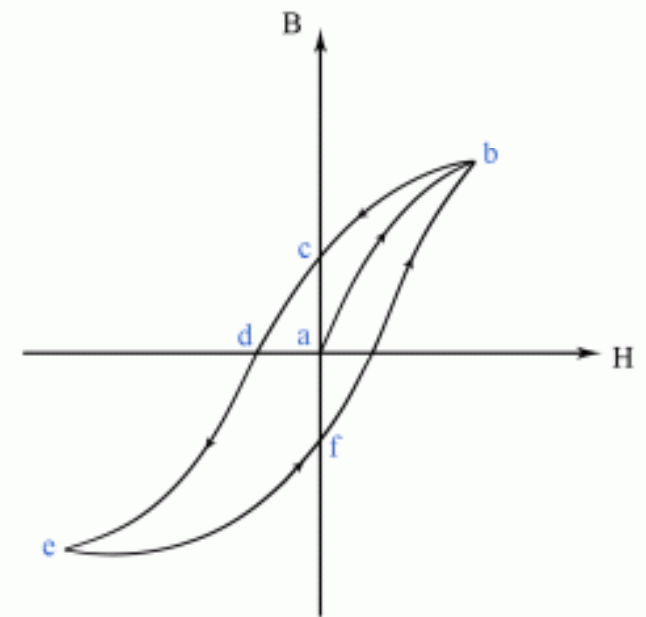
- induced voltage in the core of the magnetic material
 - caused by the changing magnetic flux
 - (due to the ac current in coil)
- currents circulate in the core
 - due to induced voltage
- circulating currents are called eddy currents





Hysteresis:

- magnetic flux in the iron core
 - lags the increase or decrease of the magnetising force;
 - lagging creates a hysteresis loop





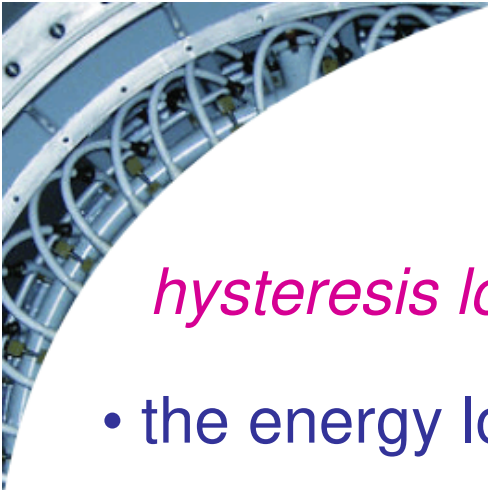
5.1 Iron loss

eddy current loss

- the power loss due to
 - eddy current
 - resistance of the iron core

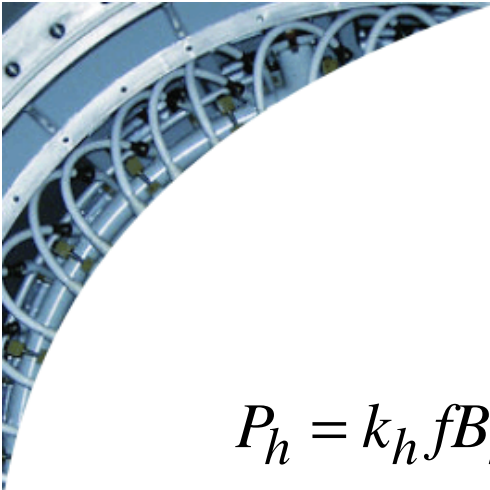
$$P_e = k_e f^2 B_m^2 \quad [\text{W/m}^3]$$

- k_e = eddy constant
- f = frequency
- B_m = peak flux density



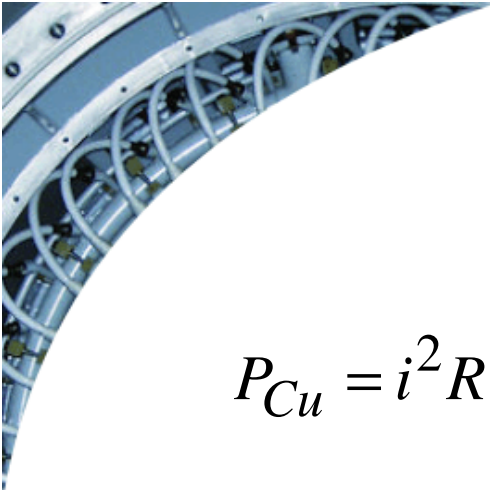
hysteresis loss

- the energy loss per cycle obtained by product of
- the **area** of the hysteresis loop and the **volume** of the core material
- **3** factors affect the **shape & size** of hysteresis loop:
 - material:
 - narrow - magnetises easily;
 - wide - does not easily magnetise
 - max value of B , $B_m \propto V_m$
 - initial magnetising state of iron piece


$$P_h = k_h f B_m^n \quad [\text{W/m}^3]$$

n = Steinmetz index (value of 1.6-2.5)

k_h = hysteresis constant



5.2 Inductor equivalent circuit

$$P_{Cu} = i^2 R$$

- represent by resistance, R_s = series resistance

$$P_{Fe} \propto \phi^2$$

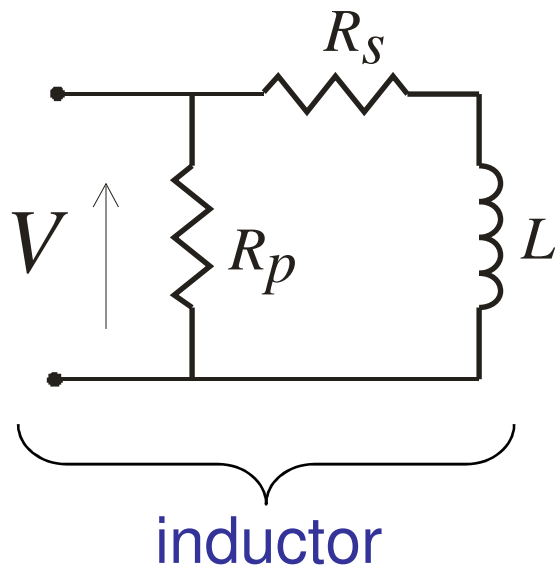
$$\propto V^2$$

$$= kV^2$$

- represent by resistance, R_p such that

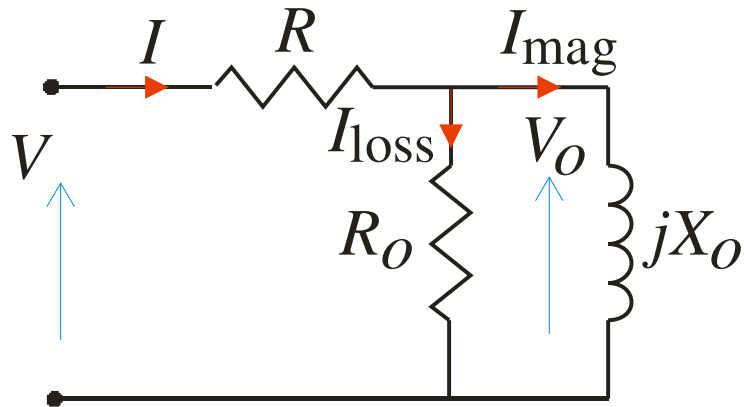
$$P_{Fe} = \frac{V^2}{R_p}$$

$$k = \frac{1}{R_p}$$



- inductance $L + P_{Cu} + P_{Fe}$

Equivalent circuit

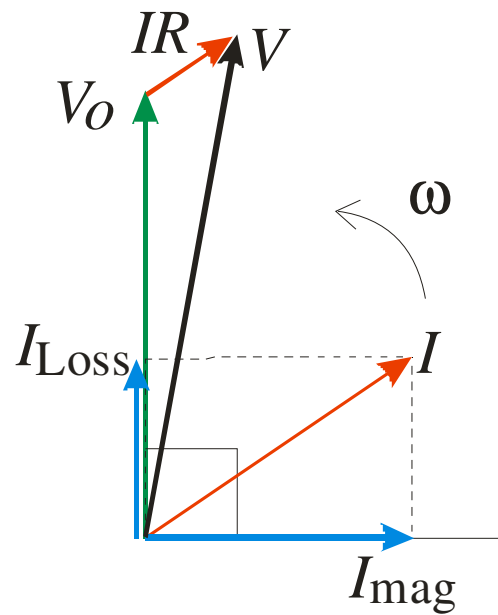


$$j\omega L = jX_o$$

$$I_{\text{Loss}} = \frac{V_o}{R_o}$$

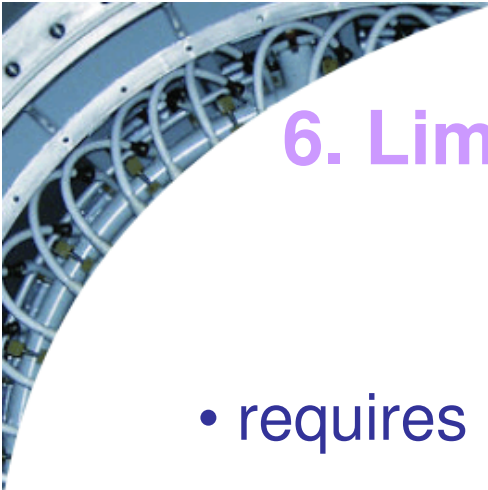
$$I_{\text{mag}} = \frac{V_o}{jX_o}$$

Phasor diagram



$$\bar{I} = \bar{I}_{\text{Loss}} + \bar{I}_{\text{mag}}$$

$$\bar{V} = \bar{V}_o + \bar{I}R$$



6. Limitations of magnetic circuit model

- requires **homogeneous** material
- requires **isotropic** material
- neglects **non-linear** characteristics
- neglects **saturation**
- neglects **leakage** and **fringing** flux

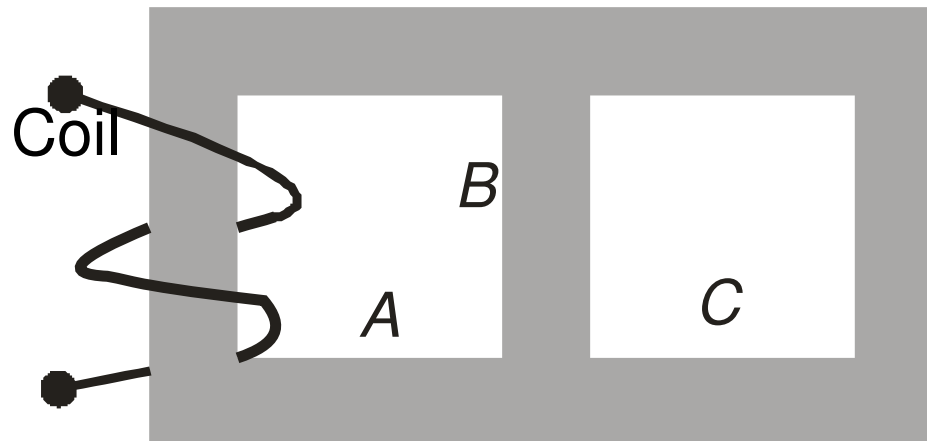
Examples:

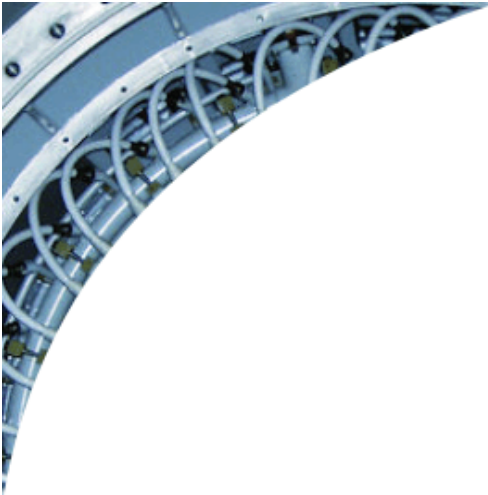
The magnetic circuit shown in the figure has a cross-sectional area everywhere of 100 mm^2 , and permeability of 10^{-3} H/m .

- If the coil has 100 turns and carries a steady current of 10 A, calculate the magnetic flux in the various portions *A*, *B* and *C*.

Assume that the effective length of each side of the squares is 100 mm, and neglect complications at the corners.

- What is the self-inductance of the coil?





- End of Lecture 3 -