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# Physics 201

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- Definition of magnetic flux:

$$\Phi_B = \vec{B} \cdot \vec{A} = BA \cos \theta$$

$\theta$ : Angle between the magnetic field and the normal to the surface spanned by the closed loop.

Unit:  $1Wb = 1T \cdot m^2$ .

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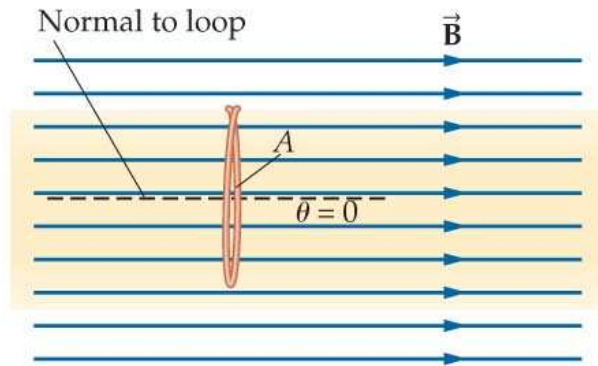
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- Why am I interested in this?

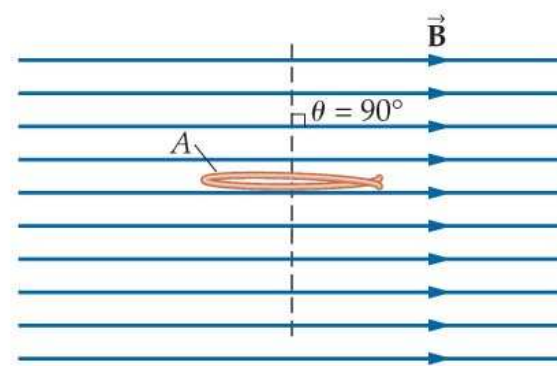
Because:

It was discovered by **Faraday** that a **changing magnetic flux** induces an **emf**  $\Rightarrow$  a current is produced if the magnetic flux changes with time  $\Rightarrow$  This could happen if one can somehow **mechanically** generate a change in magnetic field. The dynamo is one of such examples.

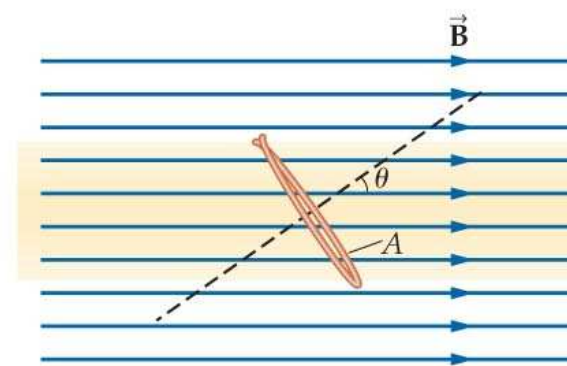
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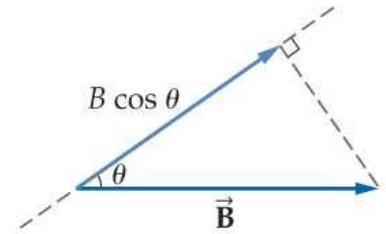
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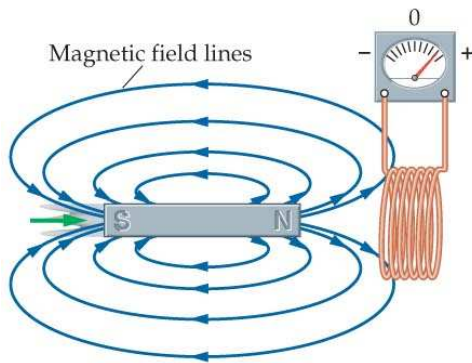
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- Faraday's Law of magnetic induction:

$$\mathcal{E} = -N \frac{\Delta\Phi_B}{\Delta t}$$

where  $N$  is the number of turns in the coil.

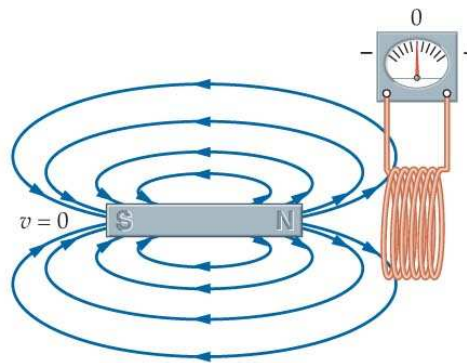


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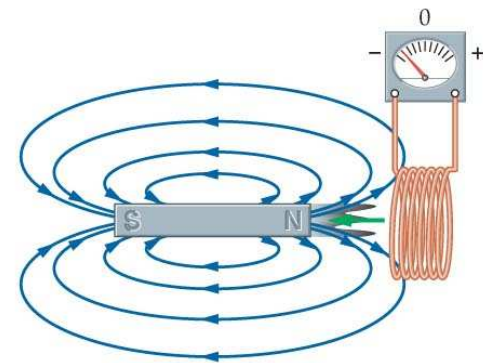


(a) Moving magnet toward coil induces current in one direction

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(b) No motion, no induced current



(c) Moving magnet away from coil induces current in opposite direction

# Faraday's law of induction

- A coil of **50 loops** is pulled in **0.020s** from between the poles of a magnet, where its area intercepts a flux of  **$3.1 \times 10^{-4} \text{ Wb}$** , to a place where the intercepted flux is  **$0.10 \times 10^{-4} \text{ Wb}$** . Determine the average emf induced in the coil.

Solution:

$$|\mathcal{E}| = N \frac{\Delta\Phi_B}{\Delta t} = 50 \frac{(3.1 - 0.10) \times 10^{-4} \text{ Wb}}{0.020 \text{ s}} = 0.75 \text{ V}.$$

# Faraday's law of induction

- A flat coil with radius  $8.0\text{mm}$  has  $50$  loops of wire. It is placed in a magnetic field  $B = 0.30\text{T}$  in such a way that the maximum flux goes through it. Later, it is rotated in  $0.020\text{s}$  to a position such that no flux goes through it. Find the average emf induced between the terminals of the coil.

Solution:

$$A = \pi r^2 = \pi (0.008\text{m})^2 = 2.0 \times 10^{-4}\text{m}^2$$

$$|\mathcal{E}| = 50 \frac{0.30\text{T} \times 2.0 \times 10^{-4}\text{m}^2}{0.020\text{s}} = 0.15\text{V}.$$

Various interesting applications: Ground Fault Interruptor, Induction stove, Electric guitar pickups, tape deck, etc..

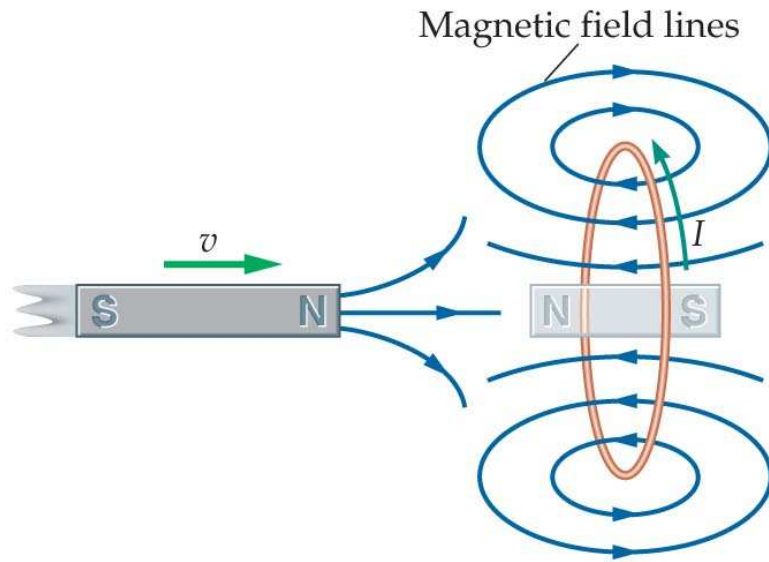
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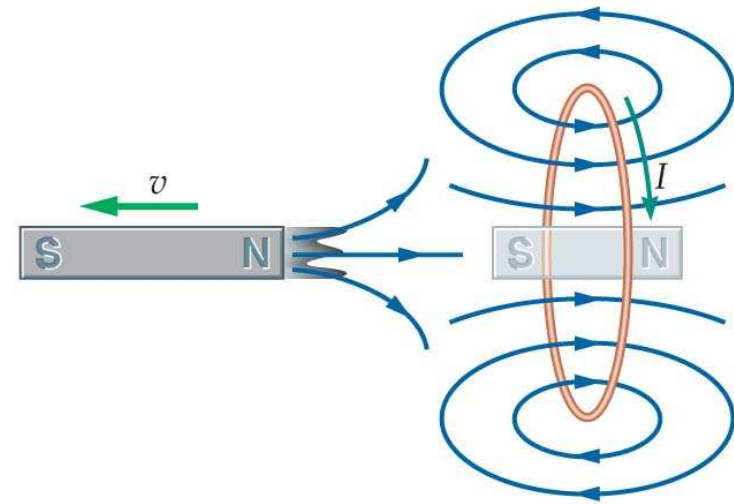
- How do I know which way the current goes when there is a changing magnetic flux going through a closed loop?
- **Lenz's law:**  
The induced current resulting from a changing magnetic flux flows in the direction such that the induced magnetic field **opposes** the original flux change.  
See the demos and the pictures shown in class.  
Illustrative discussion next concerning **motional emf.**

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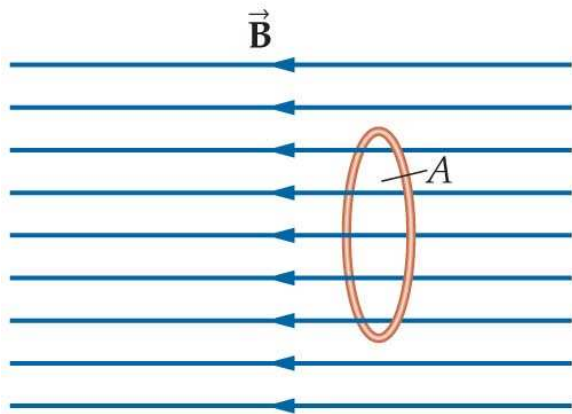
**(a)** Moving magnet toward coil induces a field that repels the magnet

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**(b)** Moving magnet away from coil induces a field that attracts the magnet

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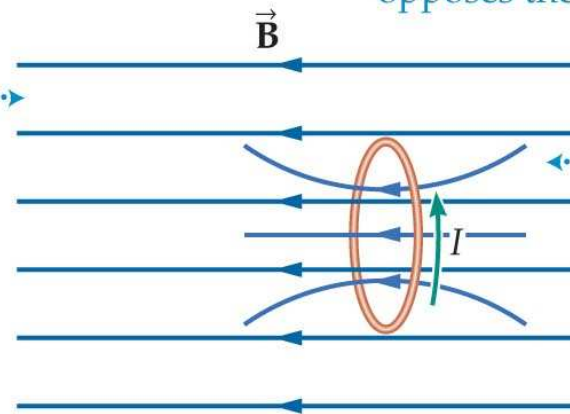


(a) A conducting loop in a constant magnetic field

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If the magnetic field decreases in magnitude ...

... the induced current produces a field that opposes the decrease.



(b) A change in the field induces a current

# Motional emf

In the Figure shown in class, a metal rod makes contact with a partial circuit and completes the circuit. The circuit is perpendicular to a magnetic field (going into the page) with  $B = 0.15T$ . If the resistance is  $3.0\Omega$ , how large a force is needed to move the rod as indicated with a constant speed of  $2.0\text{ m/s}$ ? At what rate is energy dissipated in the resistor? The width is  $L = 50\text{ cm}$



# Motional emf: Solution and insight

- As the rod moves to the right as shown, the magnetic flux going through the closed circuit **increases**  $\Rightarrow$  an induced current is produced and flowing **counterclockwise**.

Why? The right-hand rule shows that the **induced** magnetic field inside the loop is going **out** of the page and opposes the external magnetic field which is going **into** the page.

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- What is the induced emf?

$$|\mathcal{E}| = N \left| \frac{\Delta \Phi_B}{\Delta t} \right| = (1) \frac{B \Delta A}{\Delta t} = \frac{BL \Delta x}{\Delta t} = BLv = (0.15T)(0.5m)(2.0m/s) = 0.15V$$

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- Counterclockwise induced current  $\Rightarrow$  the rod experiences a force pointing left due to the external magnetic field. Rod pulled to the right with constant speed  $\Rightarrow$  this force must be balanced.

$$F_M = ILB = (0.05A)(0.50m)(0.15T) = 3.75mN.$$

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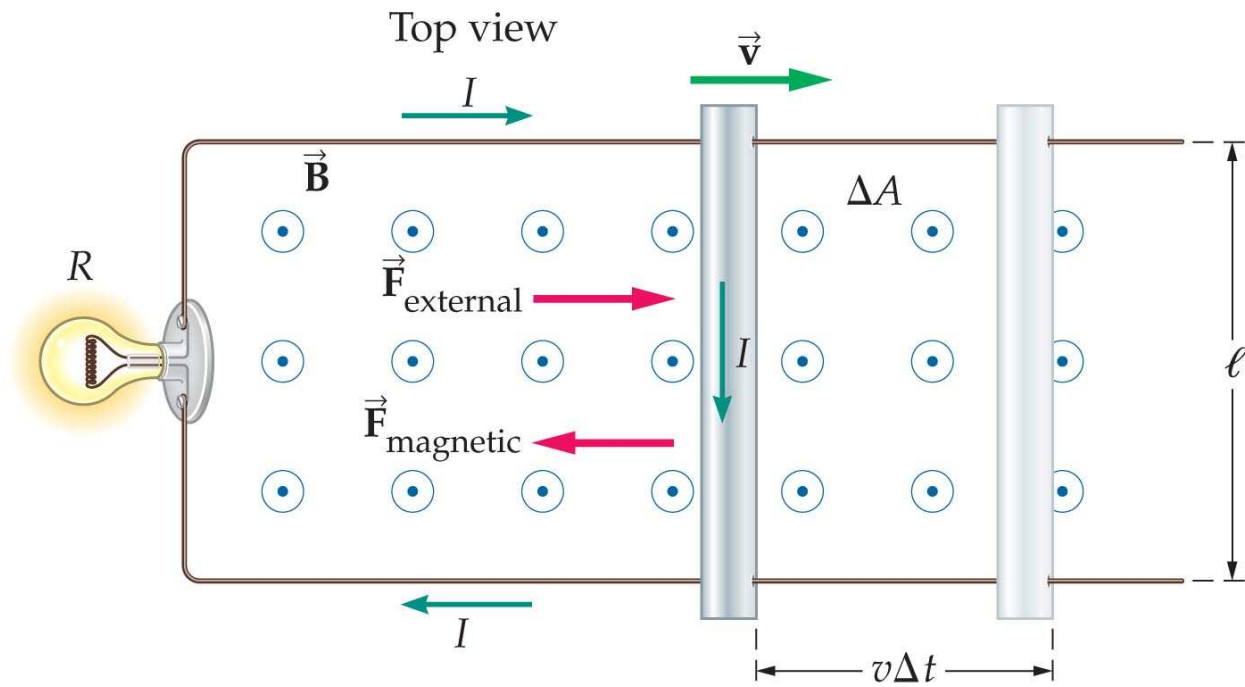
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- Alternatively

$$P = Fv = (3.75 mN)(2.0 m/s) = 7.5 mW$$

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