

# 17 Electromagnetic Induction

## Magnetic Flux

**Magnetic flux  $\phi$**  passing through a plane surface is defined as the product of the area of the surface  $A$  and the magnetic flux density  $B$  normal to the surface.

$\phi = BA\cos\theta$ . The SI unit of  $\phi$  is Weber (Wb).

The **weber** is the magnetic flux through the area of  $1\text{m}^2$  if the flux density normal to the plane of area is  $1\text{T}$ .

**Magnetic flux linkage** passing through a coil of  $N$  turns is defined as the product of the magnetic flux and the number of turns.

Flux linkage  $N\phi = NBA\cos\theta$ . The SI unit of  $N\phi$  is the weber-turns (Wb-turns).

## Experiments on Electromagnetic Induction

Factors affecting magnitude of induced e.m.f.:  
Number of turns, magnetic field strength, speed of approaching magnet.

## Laws of Electromagnetic Induction

**Faraday's Law (F.L.)** states that the magnitude of the induced e.m.f. is proportional to the rate of change of magnetic flux linkage or rate at which magnetic flux is cut by the conductor.

**Lenz's Law (L.L.)** states that the polarity of the induced e.m.f. or direction of current is such as to produce an induced magnetic field that opposes the change in flux.

Induced e.m.f.  $\epsilon$  is thus  $= -\frac{dN\Phi}{dt}$

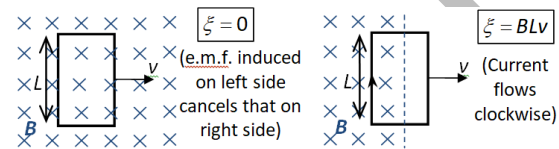
## Applications of Electromagnetic Induction

1. Dropping magnet through coil



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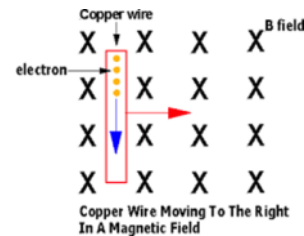
2. Wire loop moving past uniform B-field
  - a. When entire coil is in field, there is no change in flux, i.e.  $\epsilon = 0$
  - b. When coil is leaving field, flux decreases.  $\epsilon = \frac{\Delta\Phi}{\Delta t} = BLv$



3. Cutting of flux by a straight conductor
  - a. Free electrons in wire deflected by B-field, creating a p.d. between ends of conductor.

Magnitude of e.m.f.  $\epsilon = \frac{\Delta\Phi}{\Delta t} =$

$BLv$ . If circuit is open, there is no current flow.



4. Induced e.m.f. in rotating coil
  - a. When a coil is rotated in a uniform B-field with its axis perpendicular to the field, by F.L., an sinusoidally alternating e.m.f. is induced.

