

Chapter 12

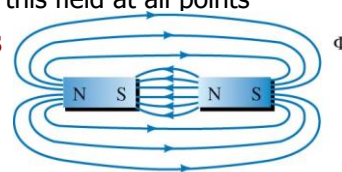
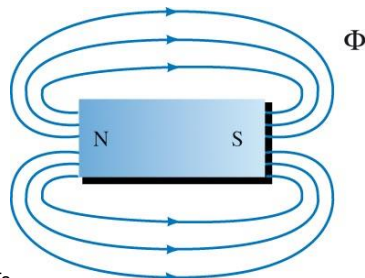
Magnetism and Magnetic Circuits

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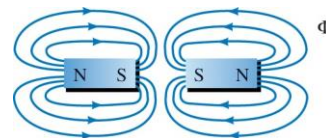


The Nature of a Magnetic Field

- Magnetism
 - Force of attraction or repulsion that acts between magnets and other magnetic materials
- Flux lines
 - Show direction and intensity of this field at all points
- **Field is strongest at poles**
 - **Direction is from N to S**



(a) Attraction

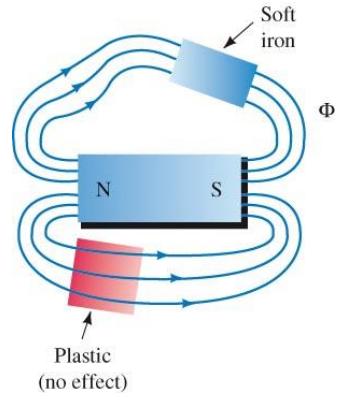


(b) Repulsion

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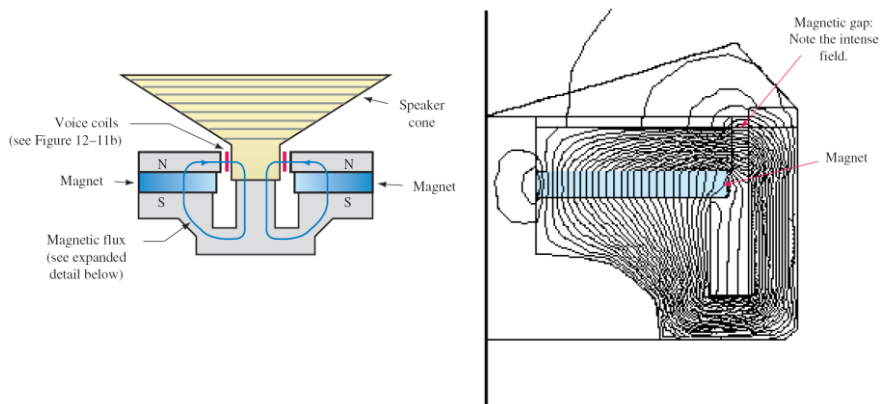
Ferromagnetic Materials

- Attracted by magnets
 - Provide an easy path for magnetic flux
 - **Iron, nickel, cobalt, and their alloys**
- Nonmagnetic materials such as **plastic, wood, and glass**
 - Have no effect on the field



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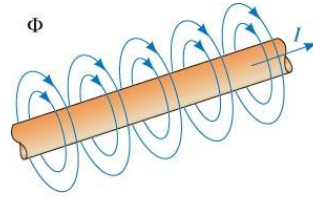
Application: Loudspeaker



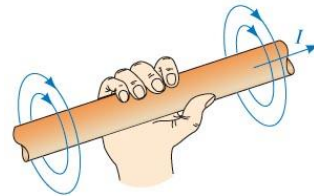
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Electromagnetism

- Many applications of magnetism involve magnetic effects due to electric currents
- Direction of magnetic field may be determined by the **Right Hand Rule**
- Place your right hand around conductor with **your thumb in the direction of the current**
- **Your fingers will point in the direction of the magnetic field**



(a) Magnetic field produced by current. Field is proportional to I .

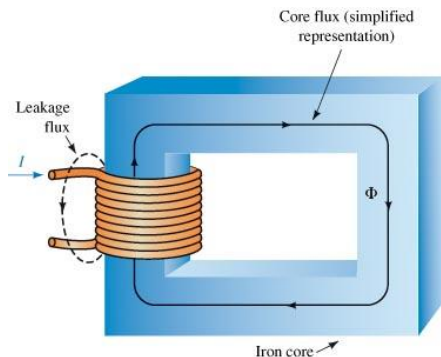
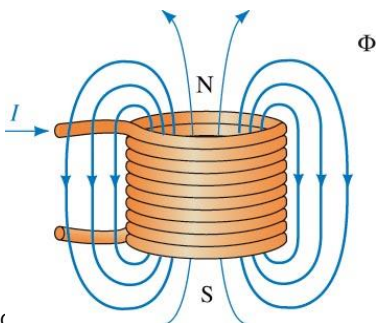


(b) Right-hand rule

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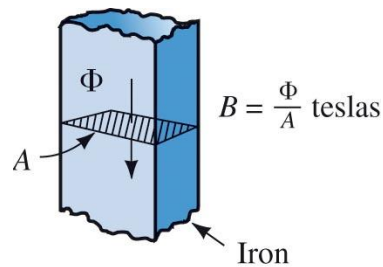
Rules for coils

- **Curl fingers** of right hand around coil in **direction of the current**
- **Thumb** will point in direction of the **field**



Magnetic Flux and Flux Density

- Flux, Φ : Total number of lines
- **Flux density, $B = \Phi/A$** , : Number of lines per unit area
- Units for magnetic flux are webers (Wb)
- Area is measured in square meters
- Units for flux density
 - Wb/m² or teslas (T)
 - 1 tesla = 10 000 gauss
- B may also be measured in gauss
- We will work only with teslas



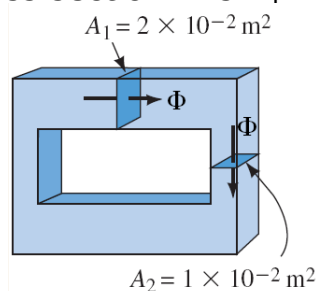
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Example: Magnetic Flux and Flux Density

- Given the flux density at cross section 1 is $B_1 = 0.4\text{T}$, determine B_2

$$\Phi = B_1 \times A_1 = B_2 \times A_2$$



Solution $\Phi = B_1 \times A_1 = (0.4\text{T})(2 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m}^2) = 0.8 \times 10^{-2} \text{ Wb}$. Since all flux is confined to the core, the flux at cross section 2 is the same as at cross section 1. Therefore,

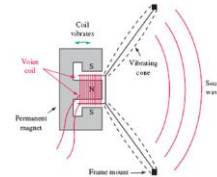
$$B_2 = \Phi/A_2 = (0.8 \times 10^{-2} \text{ Wb})/(1 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m}^2) = 0.8 \text{ T}$$

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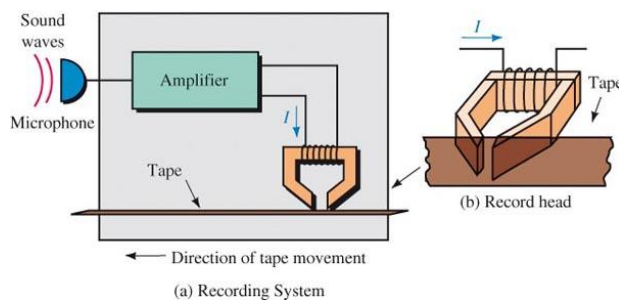
Magnetic Circuits

- Found in **motors, generators, speakers, transformers**
- Magnetic fields can be created by electric currents and permanent magnets
- Magnetic stripe containing information
 - Used in bank ATM cards, library cards, etc.
 - Magnetic patterns encode information
 - Reader sees varying magnetic field
 - Induces a voltage in the pickup winding
 - Voltage is amplified and sent to decoding circuitry
- MRI machine uses superconductor coils
 - Create intense magnetic field

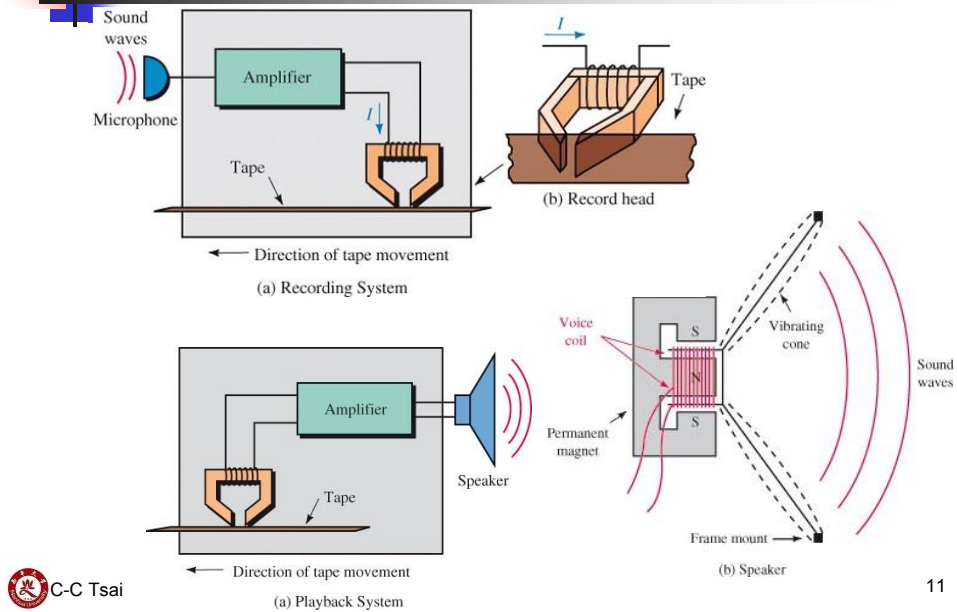


Applications of Magnetic Circuits

- Practical applications
 - Use structures to guide and shape magnetic flux
 - Called magnetic circuits
- Magnetic circuit guides flux to an air gap
 - This provides field for the voice coil
- Playback heads on **tape recorders**
 - VCRs and disk drives pick up the varying magnetic field and convert it to voltage



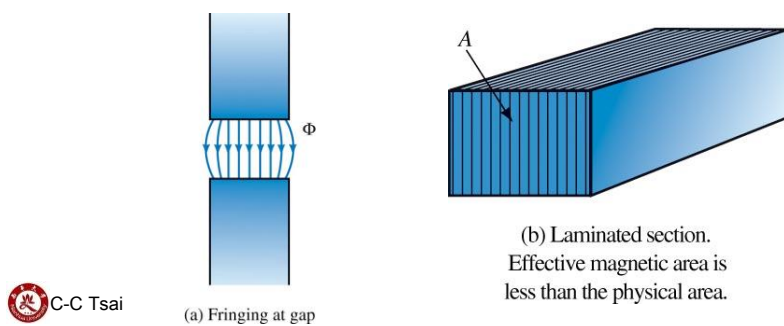
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Air Gaps, Fringing, and Laminated Cores

- Magnetic Circuits have air gaps essential to their operation
- Increase each cross-sectional dimension of gap by the size of the gap
- Laminated cores are created with thin sheets of stacked irons or steels
- Stacking factor is used to determine core's effective area



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