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Year 11

Magnetism and
Electromagnetism

Relay
A device using a small current to control a larger current in another circuit
Solenoid is wound around an iron core. Small current magnetises the solenoid. This attracts to electrical contacts, making a complete circuit. Current flows from battery to starter motor.

Split-ring commutator
Split ring touching two carbon brush contacts

Loud speakers
Converts variations in electrical current into sound waves.

Varying current flows through a coil that is in a magnetic field. A force on the wire moves backwards and forwards as current varies. Coil connected to a diaphragm. Diaphragm movements produce sound waves.



Electromagnet
Lots of turns of wire increase the magnetising effect when current flows
Turn current off, magnetism lost.

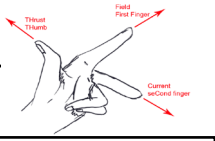
Increase strength of magnetic field
Use larger current
Use more turns of wire
Put turns of wire closer together
Use iron core in middle

Generators
Coil of wire rotating inside a magnetic field. The end of the coil is connected to slip rings.
Produces altering current.

Microphones
Converts pressure variations in sound waves into variations in current in electrical circuits.

Fleming's left-hand rule
To predict the direction a straight conductor moves in a magnetic field.

Thumb	Direction of movement.
First finger	Direction of magnetic field.
Second finger	Direction of current.

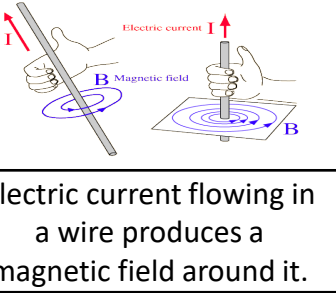


Electric motor
Coil of wire rotates about an axle
Current flows through the wire causing a downward movement on one side and an upward movement on the other side.

Solenoid
A long coil of wire
Magnetic field from each loop adds to the next.

Right hand rule
Thumb: Direction of current.
Fingers: Direction of magnetic field.

Magnetic field around a wire



Motor effect

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Magnetic fields from the permanent magnet and current in the foil interact. This is called the motor effect.

$F = B \times I \times l$
Force = magnetic flux density X current X length

If current and magnetic field are parallel to each other, no force on wire.

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Induced potential, transformers and National Grid

Reverse the current, foil moves upwards.

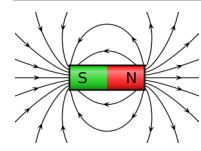
Aluminium foil placed between two poles of a strong magnet, will move downwards when current flows through the foil.

Size of force acting on foil depends on magnetic flux density between poles, size of current, length of foil between poles.

Magnetic flux
Lines drawn to show magnetic field
Lots of lines = stronger magnets.

Magnetic flux density
Number of lines of magnetic flux in a given area
Measures the strength of magnetic force.

Permanent and Induced Magnetism



Magnets

Magnetic	<i>Materials attracted by magnets</i>	Uses non-contact force to attract magnetic materials.
North seeking pole	<i>End of magnet pointing north</i>	Compass needle is a bar magnet and points north.
South seeking pole	<i>End of magnet pointing south</i>	Like poles (N – N) repel, unlike poles (N – S) attract.
Magnetic field	<i>Region of force around magnet</i>	Strong field, force big. Weak field, force small. Field is strongest at the poles.
Permanent	<i>A magnet that produces its own magnetic field</i>	Will repel or attract other magnets and magnetic materials.
Induced	<i>A temporary magnet</i>	Becomes magnet when placed in a magnetic field.

National Grid
Distributes electricity generated in power stations around UK

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Induced potential
When a conducting wire moves through a magnetic field, p.d. is produced

Generator effect
Generates electricity by inducing current or p.d.

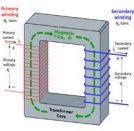
Uses of the generator effect
Dynamo, Microphones

Transformer
Two coils of wire onto an iron core
Alternating current supplied to primary coil, making magnetic field change. Iron core becomes magnetised, carries changing magnetic field to secondary coil. This induces p.d.

Power lost = Potential difference X Current

Power supplied to primary coil = power supplied to secondary coil
 $V_p \times I_p = V_s \times I_s$

Step-up transformers	Step-down transformers
<i>Increase voltage, decrease current</i>	<i>Decrease voltage, increase current</i>
Increases efficiency by reducing amount of heat lost from wires.	Makes safer value of voltage for houses and factories.



Voltage across the coil X number of coils (primary) = Voltage across the coil X number of coils (secondary)
 $V_p \div V_s = n_p \div n_s$

Force	<i>Newton (N)</i>
Magnetic flux density	<i>Tesla (T)</i>
Current	<i>Ampers (A)</i>
Length	<i>Metres (m)</i>
Power	<i>Watts (W)</i>
p.d.	<i>Voltage (V)</i>