

University of Colorado, Department of Physics
PHYS3320, Spring 2016, HW 4

due Fri, Feb 5 by 5:00pm, in the mailbox at the entrance to the physics helproom

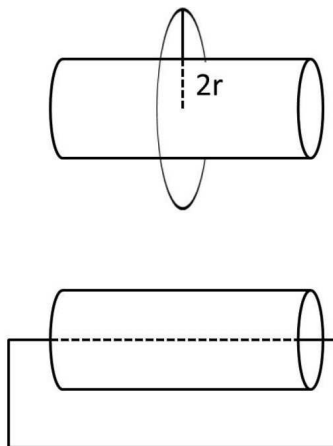


Figure 1: Set-up for problem 1b) (upper panel) and 1c) (lower panel).

1. [Total: 15 pts]

A very long insulating cylinder of length L and radius r ($L \gg r$) has a charge Q uniformly distributed over its outside surface. The cylinder is made to rotate with angular velocity ω_0 about its axis. (Ignore edge effects).

- a) [7 pts] Find the magnetic field (magnitude and direction) inside the cylinder.
- b) [5 pts] A single-turn loop of wire with radius $2r$ and resistance R is wrapped around the cylinder, as shown in Fig. 1 (upper panel on the right). The rotation of the cylinder is slowed down linearly as a function of time, i.e. $\omega(t) = \omega_0(1 - t/t_0)$. What is the magnitude of the induced current in the coil? In what direction does the current flow?
- c) [3 pts] Instead of the coil in part b), a one-turn loop of wire is placed through the cylinder as shown in Fig. 1 (lower panel on the right), and the cylinder is slowed down as before. How much current will now flow?

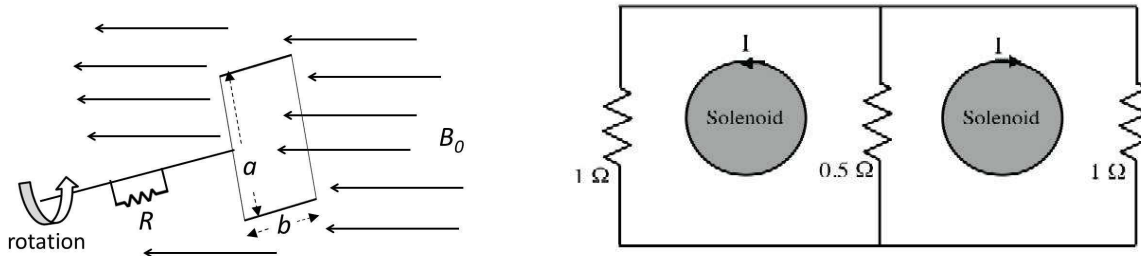


Figure 2: Left: Electric generator for problem 3. Only one conducting loop is shown. It is not obvious from the figure, but when the loop is “vertical” (a -direction vertical and b -direction horizontal), the magnetic field is normal to the plane of the loop. Another way of saying this is that the maximum magnitude of magnetic flux through the loop is $|B_0 ab|$. Right: Set-up for problem 4.

2. [Total: 12 pts]

A conducting disk with radius a , height $h \ll a$, and conductivity σ is immersed in a time varying but spatially uniform magnetic field parallel to its axis, $\mathbf{B}(t) = B_0 \sin(\omega t) \hat{z}$.

- [6 pts] Ignoring the effects of any induced magnetic fields, find the induced electric field $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}, t)$ and the current density $\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{r}, t)$ in the disk. Sketch the current distribution.
- [3 pts] If the power dissipated in a resistor is $P = IV$, show that the power dissipated per unit volume is $\mathbf{J} \cdot \mathbf{E}$.
- [3 pts] Use your results from parts a) and b) to calculate the total power dissipated in the disk at time t , and the average power dissipated per cycle of the field.

3. [Total: 10 pts]

An electric generator consists of a coil (N conducting loops) rotating in a constant external magnetic field at the frequency ω (e.g. propelled by a steam or a water turbine). Each loop has an area ab , as shown in Fig. 2 on the left.

- [4 pts] Calculate the electromotive force and the current in the coil as a function of known parameters.
- [2 pts] Calculate the heat dissipated in the resistor averaged over one period.
- [4 pts] The heat output needs to be compensated by the turbine. Calculate the torque exerted on the current-carrying coil and use the result to calculate the mechanical power of the turbine driving the generator.

4. [8 pts] Consider the electrical circuit shown in Fig. 2 (on the right). There are two infinitely long solenoids (shaded, shown end-on in the Figure). The solenoids are identical, both with the same cross sectional area of 0.1 m^2 , and the *magnitude* of the magnetic field inside both is equal and increasing at a constant rate of 1 T/s . However, note the *direction* of the current in the two solenoids is such that the \mathbf{B} -fields are increasing in opposite directions. The resistors have the values as shown. Determine the current passing through each resistor (magnitude and direction).