

Lecture 2

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Electric Current and Ohm's Law

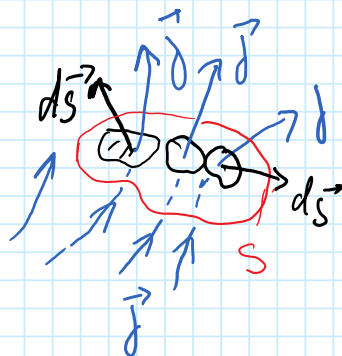
Griffiths 5.1.3
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In previous lecture 1: $\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \vec{j} = 0$ continuity equation (charge conservation)

Electric current I is a flux of charged particles crossing selected surface S . Relation between current I and $\vec{j}$:

ρ - the local charge density
 $\vec{v}$ - the local velocity of charge particles

$$I = \int_S \vec{j} \cdot d\vec{S}$$



Local velocity $\vec{v}$ depends on the local force $\vec{f}$.
The simplest dependence $\vec{v}(\vec{f})$ is $\vec{v} = b \cdot \vec{f}$.

"b" is a constant defined as a mobility.

It depends on parameters of the medium conducting this electric current.

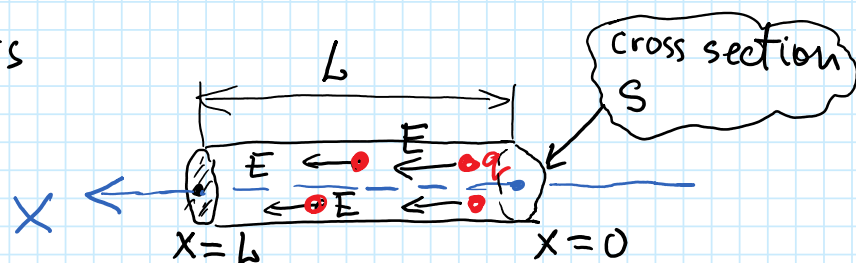
$$\vec{j} = \rho \vec{v} = \rho b \vec{f} \quad \text{Eq. (*)}$$

The local force $\vec{f}$ can be a sum of several forces of different nature (electric, magnetic or gravitational).
For pure electric force, Eq. (*) represents an experimental law:

Ohm's Law $\vec{j} = \sigma \cdot \vec{E}$ where $\sigma = \rho \cdot b$ is the conductivity.

$\sigma \rightarrow \infty$ perfect conductors
 $\sigma \rightarrow 0$ perfect insulators

Example: cylindrical wire



$$\varphi(L) - \varphi(0) = ?$$

$$U = |\varphi(L) - \varphi(0)| = \int_0^L E dx = \frac{j}{\sigma} L = \frac{L}{\sigma S} I \Rightarrow U = I \cdot \left(\frac{L}{\sigma S} \right)$$

Canonical form of Ohm's law

$$U = I \cdot R$$

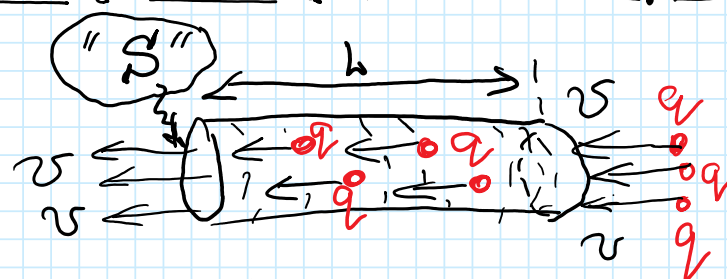
$$R = \frac{L}{\sigma S}$$

Resistance

$$\text{Units: } [R] = \left[\frac{V}{I} \right] = \text{Ohm}$$

Joule Heating law:

Work per particle: qU
Number of particles crossing "S"-surface per Second: I/q



Power P = the total work per second

$$\text{Power} \rightarrow P = q \cdot U \cdot \left(\frac{I}{q} \right) = U \cdot I$$

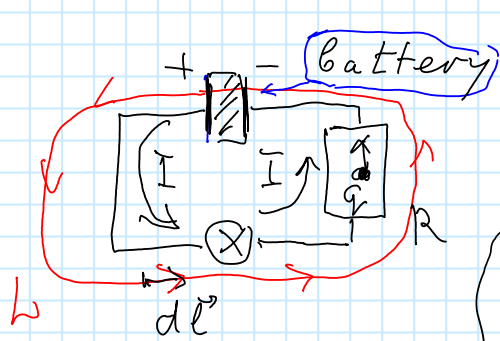
The volume power density:

$$P_v = \frac{P}{V} = \frac{U \cdot I}{L S} = \frac{U}{L} \cdot \frac{I}{S} = E \cdot j$$

$$\Rightarrow P_v = \sigma \cdot E^2$$

Electromotive Force (emf)

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$$\vec{f} = \vec{f}_s + \vec{E}$$

force per unit of charge

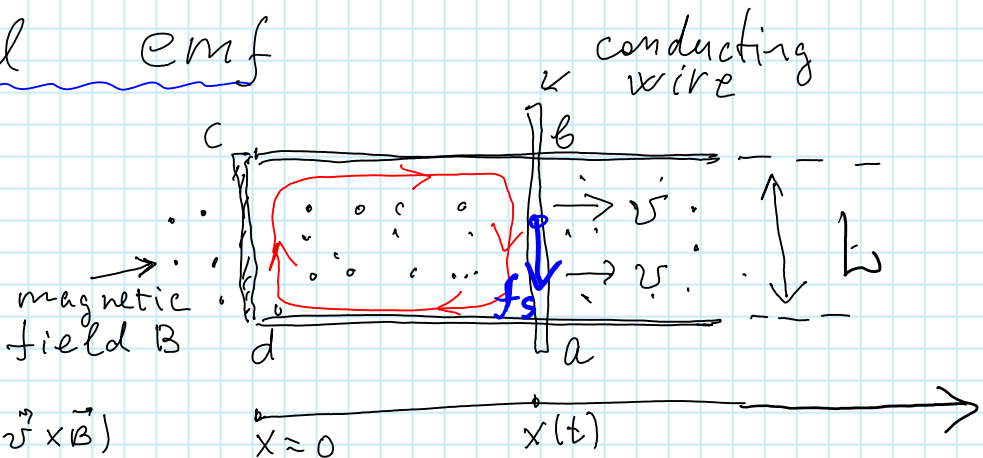
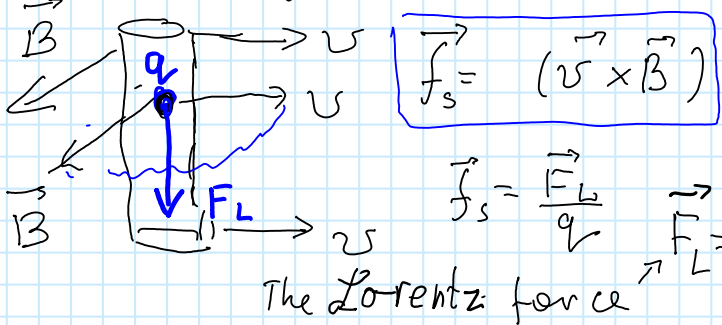
$$\oint \vec{f} d\vec{l} = \oint \vec{f}_s d\vec{l} + \oint \vec{E} d\vec{l} = \mathcal{E}_s$$

This is the work

Electromotive force $\mathcal{E}_s = \oint \vec{f}_s d\vec{l}$ is a major characteristics of sources of electric power

Example: Motional emf

In moving conductor:

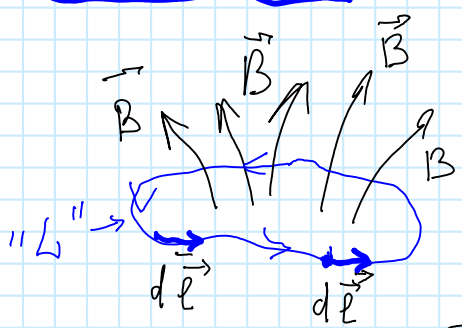


Electromotive force: $\mathcal{E}_s = \int_a^b \vec{f}_s d\vec{l} = -L v \cdot B = - \frac{d}{dt} (S B) = - \frac{d\phi}{dt}$

where $S = S(t) = L x(t) = L v t$ - area of the current loop "abcd"

$\phi = \phi(t) = B \cdot S(t)$ - the magnetic flux through the "abcd" loop

$$\mathcal{E} = - \frac{d\phi}{dt}$$



Faraday's Law (Electromagnetic Induction)

"Experimental Law" - variation of $\vec{B}$ -field induce $\vec{E}$ -field.

$$\oint_L \vec{E} d\vec{l} = - \frac{d\phi}{dt} = - \frac{d}{dt} \int_S \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{S}$$

$$\oint_L \vec{E} d\vec{l} = \int_S \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{S} = - \int_S \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \cdot d\vec{S} \Rightarrow \int_S d\vec{S} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} + \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}) = 0$$

Stokes' Theorem

Faraday's Law

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = - \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$$

$$\oint_L \vec{E} d\vec{l} = - \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t}$$

← differential form

← integral form

$$\phi = \int_S \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{S}$$

