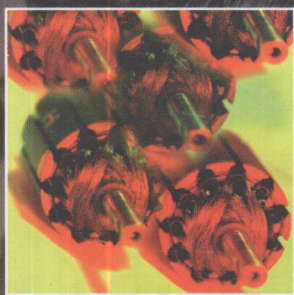


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# PREFACE

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When I was first approached about writing this handbook, it seemed like a fairly straightforward task. There was information available from a variety of sources. There were many capable people in the field who could contribute, and there was historical data from many sources.

The intent of this book is to cover the operating theory, practical design approaches, and manufacturing methods for the most common motors now in use. We have tried to meet this intent by including as much information as possible. The universe of motor information is huge, although most of the information is old. It became apparent that much information would have to be left out. We tried to include the basics along with that information we felt was most necessary and useful to those designing, manufacturing, and using motors. This is not a design course or a highly theoretical text but a place where people can go to get practical answers.

We are setting up a section at our Web site, [www.yeadoninc.com](http://www.yeadoninc.com), for people to comment about the book and tell us of improvements we can make and things they would like to have added to the next edition.



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# CHAPTER 1

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## BASIC MAGNETICS

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Electric motors convert electrical energy into mechanical energy by utilizing the properties of electromagnetic energy conversion. The different types of motors operate in different ways and have different methods of calculating the performance, but all utilize some arrangement of magnetic fields. Understanding the concepts of electromagnetics and the systems of units that are employed is essential to understanding electric motor operation. The first part of this chapter covers the concepts and units and shows how forces are developed. Nonlinearity of magnetic materials and uses of magnetic materials are explained. Energy and coenergy concepts are used to explain forces, motion, and activation. Finally, this chapter explains how motor torque is developed using these concepts.

### **1.1 UNITS\***

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Although the rationalized mks system of units [Système International (SI) units] is used in this discussion, there are also at least four other systems of units—cgs, esu, emu, and gaussian] that are used when describing electromagnetic phenomena. These systems are briefly described as follows.

**MKS.** Meter, kilogram, second.

**CGS.** Centimeter, gram, second.

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*ESU.* CGS with  $\epsilon_0 = 1$ , based on Coulomb's law for electric poles.

*EMU.* CGS with  $\mu_0 = 1$ , based on Coulomb's law for magnetic poles.

*Gaussian.* CGS with electric quantities in esu and magnetic quantities in emu. The factor  $4\pi$  appears in Maxwell's equation.

*Rationalized mks.*  $\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7}$  H/m, based on the force between two wires.

*Rationalized cgs.*  $\mu_0 = 1$ , based on Coulomb's law for magnetic poles. The factor  $4\pi$  appears in Coulomb's law.

The rationalized mks and the rationalized cgs systems of units are the most widely used. These systems are defined in more detail in the following subsections.

### 1.1.1 The MKS System of Units

The rationalized mks system of units (also called SI units) uses the magnetic units tesla (T) and amps per meter (A/m), for flux density  $B$  and magnetizing force  $H$ , respectively. In this system, the flux density  $B$  is defined first (before  $H$  is defined), and is based on the force between two current-carrying wires. A distinction is made between  $B$  and  $H$  in empty (free) space, and the treatment of magnetization is based on amperian currents (equivalent surface currents).

Total or normal flux density  $B$ , T

$$B = \mu_0 (H + M) \quad (1.1)$$

Intrinsic flux density  $B_i$ , T

$$B_i = \mu_0 M \quad (1.2)$$

Permeability of free space  $\mu_0$ , (T·m)/A

$$\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \quad (1.3)$$

Magnetization  $M$ , A/m

$$M = \frac{B_i}{\mu_0} = \frac{m}{V} \quad (1.4)$$

Magnetic moment  $M$ , J/T

$$m = MV = pl \quad (1.5)$$

Magnetic pole strength  $p$ , A·m

$$p = \frac{m}{l} \quad (1.6)$$

### 1.1.2 The CGS System of Units

The rationalized cgs system of units uses the magnetic units of gauss (G) and oersted (Oe) for flux density  $B$  and magnetizing force  $H$ , respectively. In this system, the magnetizing force, or field intensity,  $H$  is defined first (before  $B$  is defined), and is



based on the force between two magnetic poles. No distinction is made between  $B$  and  $H$  in empty (free) space, and the treatment of magnetization is based on magnetic poles. The unit *emu* is equivalent to an erg per oersted and is understood to mean the electromagnetic unit of magnetic moment.

Total or normal flux density  $B$ , G

$$B = H + 4\pi M \quad (1.7)$$

Intrinsic flux density  $B_i$ , G

$$B_i = 4\pi M \quad (1.8)$$

Permeability of free space  $\mu_0$ , G/Oe

$$\mu_0 = 1 \quad (1.9)$$

Magnetization  $M$ , emu/cm<sup>3</sup>

$$M = \frac{B_i}{4\pi} = \frac{m}{v} \quad (1.10)$$

Magnetic moment  $m$ , emu

$$m = MV = pl \quad (1.11)$$

Magnetic pole strength  $p$ , emu/cm

$$p = \frac{m}{l} \quad (1.12)$$

The magnetization or magnetic polarization  $M$  is sometimes represented by the symbols  $I$  or  $J$ , and the intrinsic flux density  $B_i$  is then represented as  $4\pi M$ ,  $4\pi I$ , or  $4\pi J$ .

### 1.1.3 Unit Conversions

#### Magnetic Flux $\phi$

$$\begin{aligned} 1.0 \text{ Wb} &= 10^8 \text{ line} \\ &= 10^8 \text{ maxwell} \\ &= 1.0 \text{ V}\cdot\text{s} \\ &= 1.0 \text{ H}\cdot\text{A} \\ &= 1.0 \text{ T}\cdot\text{m}^2 \end{aligned}$$

#### Magnetic Flux Density $B$

$$\begin{aligned} 1.0 \text{ T} &= 1.0 \text{ Wb/m}^2 \\ &= 10^8 \text{ line/m}^2 \\ &= 10^8 \text{ maxwell/m}^2 \\ &= 10^4 \text{ G} \\ &= 10^9 \gamma \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 1.0 \text{ G} &= 1.0 \text{ line/cm}^2 \\
 &= 10^{-4} \text{ T} \\
 &= 10^5 \gamma \\
 &= 6.4516 \text{ line/in}^2
 \end{aligned}$$

### Magnetomotive or Magnetizing Force $NI$

$$\begin{aligned}
 1.0 \text{ A}\cdot\text{turn} &= 0.4 \pi \text{ Gb} \\
 &= 0.4 \pi \text{ Oe}\cdot\text{cm}
 \end{aligned}$$

### Magnetic Field Intensity $H$

$$\begin{aligned}
 1.0 \text{ (A}\cdot\text{turn)/m} &= 4\pi \times 10^{-3} \text{ Oe} \\
 &= 4\pi \times 10^{-3} \text{ Gb/cm} \\
 &= 0.0254 \text{ (A}\cdot\text{turn)/in} \\
 1.0 \text{ Oe} &= 79.5775 \text{ (A}\cdot\text{turn)/m} \\
 &= 1.0 \text{ Gb/cm} \\
 &= 2.02127 \text{ (A}\cdot\text{turn)/in}
 \end{aligned}$$

### Permeability $\mu$

$$\begin{aligned}
 1.0 \text{ (T}\cdot\text{m)/(A}\cdot\text{turn)} &= 10^7/4\pi \text{ G/Oe} \\
 &= 1.0 \text{ Wb/(A}\cdot\text{turn}\cdot\text{m)} \\
 &= 1.0 \text{ H/m} \\
 &= 1.0 \text{ N/(amp}\cdot\text{turn)}^2 \\
 1.0 \text{ G/Oe} &= 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ H/m}
 \end{aligned}$$

### Inductance $L$

$$\begin{aligned}
 1.0 \text{ H} &= 1.0 \text{ (V}\cdot\text{s}\cdot\text{turn)/A} \\
 &= 1.0 \text{ (Wb}\cdot\text{turn)/A} \\
 &= 10^8 \text{ (line}\cdot\text{turn)/A}
 \end{aligned}$$

### Energy $W$

$$\begin{aligned}
 1.0 \text{ J} &= 1.0 \text{ W}\cdot\text{s} \\
 &= 1.0 \text{ V}\cdot\text{A}\cdot\text{s} \\
 &= 1.0 \text{ Wb}\cdot\text{A}\cdot\text{turn} \\
 &= 1.0 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} \\
 &= 10^8 \text{ line}\cdot\text{A}\cdot\text{turn} \\
 &= 10^7 \text{ erg}
 \end{aligned}$$

### Energy Density $w$

$$\begin{aligned}
 1.0 \text{ MG}\cdot\text{Oe} &= 7.958 \text{ kJ/m}^3 \\
 &= 7958 \text{ (T}\cdot\text{A}\cdot\text{turn)/m} \\
 1.0 \text{ (T}\cdot\text{A}\cdot\text{turn)/m}^3 &= 1.0 \text{ J/m}^3
 \end{aligned}$$

**Force  $F$** 

$$\begin{aligned}
 1.0 \text{ N} &= 1.0 \text{ J/m} \\
 &= 0.2248 \text{ lb} \\
 1.0 \text{ lb} &= 4.448 \text{ N}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Magnetic Moment  $m$** 

$$\begin{aligned}
 1.0 \text{ emu} &= 1.0 \text{ erg/Oe} \\
 &= 1.0 \text{ erg/G} \\
 &= 10.0 \text{ A}\cdot\text{cm}^2 \\
 &= 10^{-3} \text{ A}\cdot\text{m}^2 \\
 &= 10^{-3} \text{ J/T} \\
 &= 4\pi \text{ G}\cdot\text{cm}^3 \\
 &= 4\pi \times 10^{-10} \text{ Wb}\cdot\text{m} \\
 &= 10^{-7} (\text{N}\cdot\text{m})/\text{Oe}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Magnetic Moment of the Electron Spin  $\beta = eh/4\pi m_e$** 

$$\begin{aligned}
 1.0 \text{ Bohr magneton} &= \beta = 9.274 \times 10^{-24} \text{ J/T} \\
 &= \beta = 9.274 \times 10^{-24} \text{ A}\cdot\text{m}^2 \\
 &= \beta = 9.274 \times 10^{-21} \text{ erg/G}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Constants**

Permeability of free space	$\mu_0 = 1.0 \text{ G/Oe}$ $\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} (\text{T}\cdot\text{m})/(\text{A}\cdot\text{turn})$ $\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ H/m}$
Electron charge	$e = 1.602177 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$
Electron mass	$m_e = 9.109390 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$
Plank's constant	$h = 6.6262 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J}\cdot\text{s}$
Velocity of light	$c = 2.997925 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$
Pi	$\pi = 3.1415926536$
Acceleration of gravity	$g = 9.807 \text{ m/s}^2$ $= 32.174 \text{ ft/s}^2$ $= 386.1 \text{ in/s}^2$

**Miscellaneous**

Length $l$	$1.0 \text{ m} = 39.37 \text{ in}$ $= 1.094 \text{ yd}$ $1.0 \text{ in} = 25.4 \text{ mm}$
Time $t$	$1.0 \text{ day} = 24 \text{ h}$ $1.0 \text{ min} = 60 \text{ s}$
Velocity $v$	$1.0 \text{ m/s} = 3.6 \text{ km/h}$