

Levi-Civita tensor

$$\epsilon_{ijk} = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{when } ijk \text{ is an even permutation of } 123 \\ -1 & \text{when } ijk \text{ is an odd permutation of } 123 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise, in particular if any of the} \\ & \text{two } ijk \text{ are equal} \end{cases}$$

ijk is an even permutation of 123 if you can get to it by making an even number of pairwise interchanges.
An odd permutation requires an odd number of pairwise interchanges.

213 is an ~~odd~~ ^{even} permutation $123 \rightarrow 213$
 \swarrow
 one switch $\equiv 1$ interchange

231 is an ~~odd~~ ^{even} permutation $123 \rightarrow 213 \rightarrow 231$
 $\swarrow \quad \searrow$
 switch switch $\equiv 2$ interchanges

~~Also very useful~~

If $\vec{A} = \vec{B} \times \vec{C}$ then

$$i\text{th component of } \vec{A} \text{ is } A_i = \sum_{j,k=1}^3 \epsilon_{ijk} B_j C_k$$

For example ($1=x, 2=y, 3=z$)

$$A_1 = \sum_{j,k} \epsilon_{1jk} B_j C_k$$

By properties of ϵ_{ijk} , the only terms in above sum that are not zero are $(j,k) = (2,3)$ and $(3,2)$

$$\epsilon_{123} = +1, \quad \epsilon_{132} = -1$$

So

$$A_1 = B_2 C_3 - B_3 C_2 \quad \text{this is just the } x\text{-component of } \vec{B} \times \vec{C}$$

$$\sum_{jklm} [\delta_{je} \delta_{im} - \delta_{im} \delta_{je}] A_j B_l C_m$$

$$= \sum_j A_j B_l C_j - \sum_j A_j B_j C_l$$

$$= B_l (\vec{A} \cdot \vec{C}) - C_l (\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B}) \quad \text{as } \vec{A} \cdot \vec{C} = \sum_j A_j C_j$$

So

$$\vec{A} \times (\vec{B} \times \vec{C}) = \vec{B} (\vec{A} \cdot \vec{C}) - \vec{C} (\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B})$$

BAC - CAB rule!

You can check that the other components also come out correct

$$A_2 = B_3 C_1 - B_1 C_3, \quad A_3 = B_1 C_2 - B_2 C_1$$

Useful relation is

$$\sum_{l=1}^3 \epsilon_{ijk} \epsilon_{ilm} = \delta_{jl} \delta_{km} - \delta_{jm} \delta_{kl}$$

Since $\epsilon_{ijk} = 0$ unless i, j, k are all different the above will be non zero only if the pair (j, k) has the same numbers as the pair (l, m) .

and $j \neq k$
and $l \neq m$

When $j=l$ and $k=m$, then the above is

$(\epsilon_{ijk})^2 = +1$. When $j=m$ and $k=l$, then the above is $\epsilon_{ijk} \epsilon_{ikj} = -1$.

You can check that the right hand side obeys all these properties

Example: $\vec{A} \times (\vec{B} \times \vec{C})$

i th component of the above is

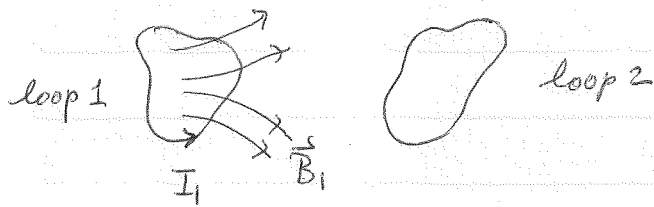
$$\sum_{jklm=1}^3 \epsilon_{ijk} A_j \underbrace{\epsilon_{klm}}_{k^{\text{th}} \text{ component of } \vec{B} \times \vec{C}} B_l C_m$$

$$= \sum_{jklm} \epsilon_{kij} \epsilon_{klm} A_j B_l C_m = \sum_{jklm} [\delta_{il} \delta_{jm} - \delta_{im} \delta_{jl}] A_j B_l C_m$$

$\epsilon_{ijk} = \epsilon_{kij}$ since 2 pair
interchanges take from ijk to kij

Inductance

Mutual Inductance



$$\vec{A}(\vec{r}_2) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int d\vec{r}'_1 \frac{j_1(\vec{r}'_1)}{|\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}'_1|}$$

What is magnetic flux through loop 2, due to current flowing in loop 1?
 ↓ field produced by \vec{I}_1

$$\Phi_2 = \int_{S_2} \vec{B}_1 \cdot d\vec{a}_2 = \int_{S_2} (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}_1) \cdot d\vec{a}_2 = \oint_{\Gamma_2} \vec{A}_1 \cdot d\vec{l}_2$$

S_2 surface enclosed by loop 2

in Coulomb gauge $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A} = 0$,

$$\vec{A}_1(\vec{r}_2) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \oint_{\Gamma_1} d\vec{l}_1 \frac{\vec{I}_1}{|\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}'_1|} = \frac{\mu_0 I_1}{4\pi} \oint_{\Gamma_1} \frac{d\vec{l}_1}{|\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}'_1|}$$

↳ loop 1

$$\Rightarrow \Phi_2 = \frac{\mu_0 I_1}{4\pi} \oint_{\Gamma_2} \left(\oint_{\Gamma_1} \frac{d\vec{l}_1}{|\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}'_1|} \right) \cdot d\vec{l}_2$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0 I_1}{4\pi} \oint_{\Gamma_1} \oint_{\Gamma_2} \frac{d\vec{l}_1 \cdot d\vec{l}_2}{|\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}'_1|} \equiv M_{21} I_1 \quad M_{21} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \oint_{\Gamma_1} \oint_{\Gamma_2} \frac{d\vec{l}_1 \cdot d\vec{l}_2}{|\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}'_1|}$$

↑ mutual inductance of loops 1 and 2.

Similarly, flux through loop 1, due to current I_2 in loop 2 is:

$$\Phi_1 = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} I_2 \oint_{\Gamma_1} \oint_{\Gamma_2} \frac{d\vec{l}_2 \cdot d\vec{l}_1}{|\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}'_1|} \equiv M_{12} I_2$$

we see that $M_{12} = M_{21}$

$M_{12} = M_{21} \equiv M$ is a purely geometrical quantity.

Flux through loop 2 when I flows in loop 1

= Flux through loop 1 when I flows in loop 2

for any two loops.

If vary current in loop 1, flux through loop 2 changes

\Rightarrow emf develops around loop 2

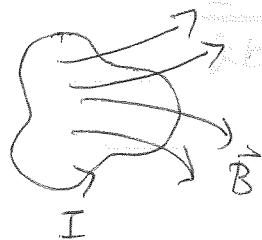
$$\mathcal{E}_2 = - \frac{d\Phi_2}{dt} = -M \frac{dI_1}{dt}$$

\Rightarrow induced current $I_2 = \frac{\mathcal{E}_2}{R_2}$ ← resistance of loop 2
flows in loop 2

when current in loop 1 is changed.

This is the principle behind a transformer.

Self Inductance



what is magnetic flux through loop, due to current flowing in loop?

$$\Phi = \oint_{\Gamma} \vec{A} \cdot d\vec{l} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \oint_{\Gamma} \oint_{\Gamma'} \frac{d\vec{l} \cdot d\vec{l}'}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \equiv L I$$

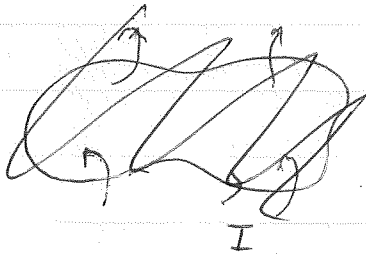
\uparrow self inductance

both \vec{r} and \vec{r}'
lie on same loop Γ .

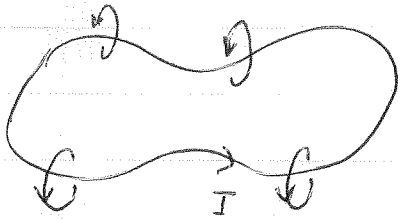
inductance measured in "henries" (H)

$$1 \text{ H} = 1 \text{ volt-sec/amp}$$

self inductance always positive



each segment $I \rightarrow$
generates \vec{B} field that circulates around
it according to right hand rule

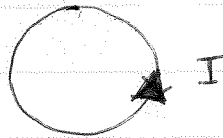


\Rightarrow net flux is always positive for
counter clockwise current

changing I in loop, changes Φ through loop, creates emf around loop $\mathcal{E} = -\frac{d\Phi}{dt}$

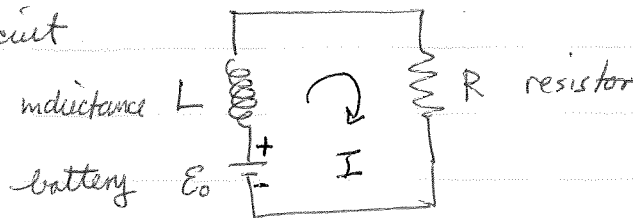
$\rightarrow \mathcal{E} = -L \frac{dI}{dt}$ $L > 0$ always

this emf \mathcal{E} acts to oppose any change in current - its called the back emf



if I counterclockwise is increased, then \mathcal{E} induced is negative, i.e. the induced \mathcal{E} tries to drive a current in the opposite (clockwise) direction, to oppose the increase in I

ex: "LR" circuit



total emf in ~~circuit~~ ~~the~~ circuit is:

$\mathcal{E}_0 - L \frac{dI}{dt} = IR$ ← Ohms law for the resistor

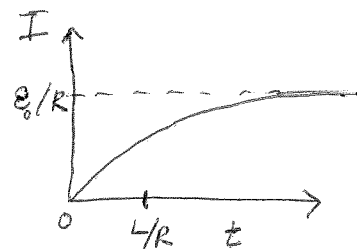
$\frac{dI}{dt} = -\frac{R}{L} I + \frac{\mathcal{E}_0}{L}$

1st order differential eqn for $I(t)$.

if switch on battery at $t=0$

Solution is

$I(t) = \frac{\mathcal{E}_0}{R} (1 - e^{-(R/L)t})$



current increases to steady state value \mathcal{E}_0/R over time $t \approx L/R$.