Fields and Waves

Lesson 3.7

MAGNETIC CIRCUITS

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Introduction

MAGNETIC CIRCUITS used to analyze relays, switches, speakers...

In Lesson 3.6 experiment:

coil not wound symmetrically

Flux stayed in TOROID • did not detect with external loop

Magnetic Flux - TOROID

Flux is a constant = $\int \vec{B} \bullet d\vec{s}$

• Flux stays in toroid - so area is a constant

<u>B</u> and <u>H</u> are constant along the path



$$\therefore \oint \vec{H} \bullet d\vec{l} = 2 \cdot \pi \cdot r \cdot H_{\varphi} = N \cdot I$$
$$\Rightarrow \vec{H} = \frac{N \cdot I}{2 \cdot \pi \cdot r} \hat{a}_{\varphi}$$

Problem 1 - has square material - get <u>H</u> and <u>B</u>, then get Flux and L Do Problem 1a and 1b

Magnetic Flux - TOROID with GAP

Add gap to toroid:



$$\oint \vec{H} \bullet d\bar{l} = (2 \cdot \pi \cdot r - g) \cdot H_{iron} + g \cdot H_{gap}$$

Apply boundary conditions across gap:

$$B_{1n} = B_{2n} \Longrightarrow \mu_{iron} \cdot H_{n,iron} = \mu_0 \cdot H_{n,gap}$$

Can get very large <u>H</u> in gap

$$\implies H_{n,gap} \approx 5000 \cdot H_{n,iron}$$

Gap has very strong effect on \underline{H}

Magnetic Circuits - Analogy to E-circuits



$$=(\mathfrak{R}_{iron}+\mathfrak{R}_{gap})\cdot\Psi$$

• enables us to draw analogy to electric circuits

Magnetic Circuits & Electric Circuits

