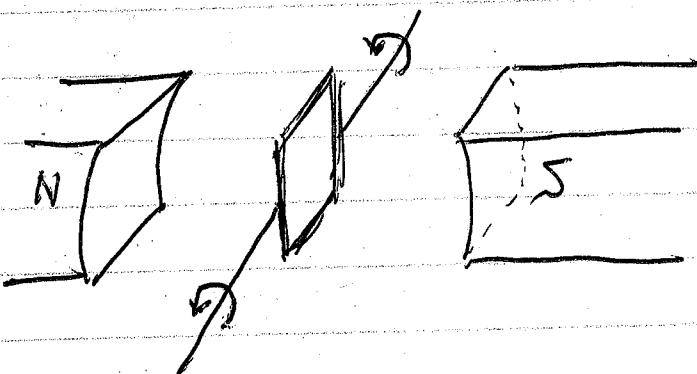


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Both "halves" of HW4 are posted.

## AC Electricity

Origin: Alternator



Spinning the coil generates voltage

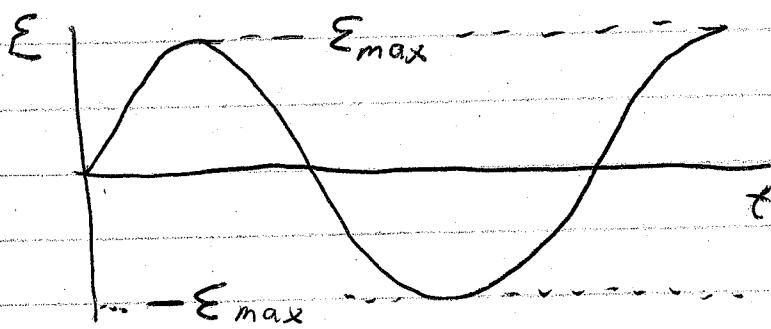
$$\text{Magnetic Flux maximum: } \Phi_B = NBA$$

$$\text{EMF Maximum: } E = NBAw$$

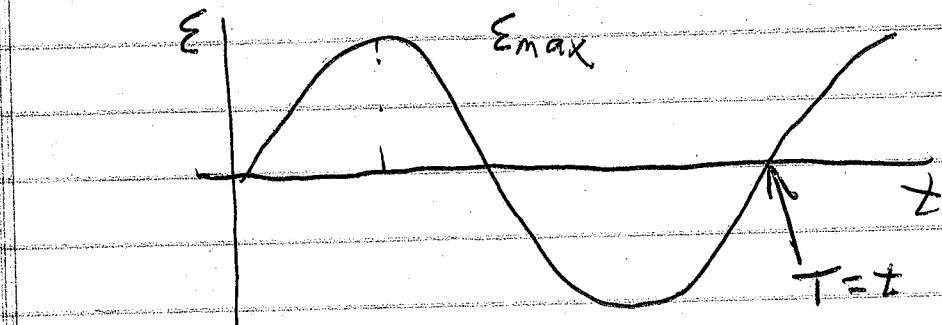
$N$  = # loops

$A$  = Area of coil

$w$  = rotational speed



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Looks like  $\sin(\theta)$

$$E = E_{\max} \sin(2\pi f t)$$

Amplitude  $P$

$\sin(\theta)$  repeats every  $2\pi$  radians

$$2\pi = 2\pi f T \quad T \text{ is a special time}$$

$$1 = f T$$

$T = 1/f$  is the time to repeat  
the oscillation

$T =$  "Period" of osc.

In the US, we use AC electricity  
with  $T = (1/60) \text{ s} \approx 0.01667 \text{ s}$

Usually for "fast" signals, we give

$$f = 1/T$$

$$\text{US AC Elec: } f = 60 \text{ Hz} = 60 \frac{\text{cycles}}{\text{s}}$$

$$\text{US AC } E_{\max} = 170 \text{ V}$$

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How does AC Affect devices?

Resistors: Light bulbs, heaters, energy users.

Ohm's Law  $V = IR$

- ①  $V$  is oscillating
- ②  $R$  is constant
- ∴ ③  $I$  is oscillating

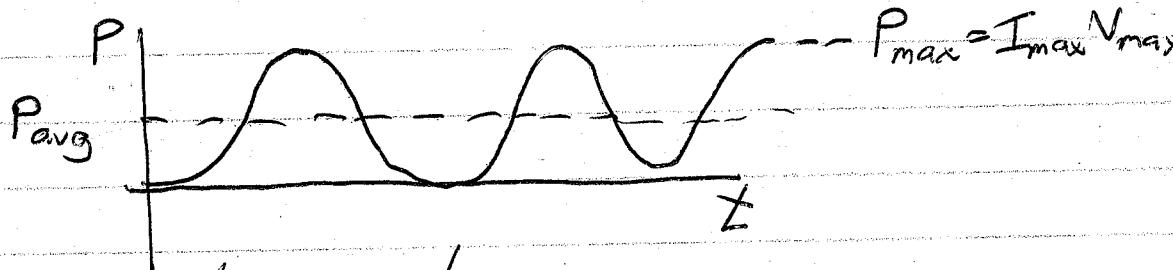
$$I = I_{\max} \sin(2\pi ft)$$

$$V_{\max} \sin(2\pi ft) = I_{\max} \sin(2\pi ft) R$$

Conclusion:  $V_{\max} = I_{\max} R$

Power of resistor

$$\begin{aligned} P &= IV \\ &= I_{\max} V_{\max} \sin^2(\omega t) \end{aligned}$$



On Average, the resistor uses

$$P_{\text{avg}} = \frac{1}{2} P_{\text{max}} = \frac{1}{2} (I_{\max} V_{\max})$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (I_{\max}^2 R)$$

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For DC:  $P = I^2 R$

Define  $I_{RMS}$  to build an AC equation  
L Root Mean Square

$$P_{avg} = I_{RMS}^2 R$$

How is this related to  $I_{max}$  ??

$$I_{RMS}^2 R = \frac{1}{2} I_{max}^2 R$$

$$I_{RMS} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} I_{max}$$

Why? Average power tells us long-term energy use.

$$P_{avg} = \frac{\text{Energy}}{\text{Time}}$$

$I_{RMS}$  is an "effective" value of AC current.

The same is true for voltage.

$$V_{RMS} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} V_{max}$$

$$V_{RMS} = I_{RMS} R$$

For R:  $P_{avg} = I_{RMS} V_{RMS}$

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Ex: 60 W Incandescent Light Bulb

Designed for US  $V_{rms} = 120 \text{ V}$

Current:

$$P_{avg} = I_{rms} V_{rms}$$

$$(60 \text{ W}) = I_{rms} (120 \text{ V})$$

$$0.5 \text{ A} = I_{rms}$$

Resistance:

$$V_{rms} = I_{rms} R$$

$$(120 \text{ V}) = (0.5 \text{ A}) R$$

$$240 \Omega = R$$

I measured a light bulb and got  $R = 60 \Omega$ .  
 Why? My measurement was cold.  
 Metals have more R at higher temperature.

Energy: Time = 1 month = 30 days = 720 hours  
 $= 2.6 \times 10^6 \text{ s}$

$$\text{Energy} = P_{avg} \Delta t = (60 \text{ W})(2.6 \times 10^6 \text{ s}) = 1.55 \times 10^8 \text{ J}$$

$$= (0.060 \text{ kW})(720 \text{ hr}) = 43.2 \text{ kWh}$$

Cost: Cost = Rate · Amount =  $(\$0.12/\text{kWh})(43.2 \text{ kWh})$   
 $= \$5.18$

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Equivalent LED bulb uses

$$9 \text{ W} = P_{\text{avg}}$$

$$\text{Cost : } (\$5.18) \frac{9}{60} = \$0.78$$

Let's say you use it, 6 hr/day.

$\Delta t = \frac{1}{4}$  of old value

$$\text{Cheap Bulb : } (\$5.18)(\frac{1}{4}) = \$1.30$$

$$\text{LED Bulb : } = \$0.19$$