MAGNETIC FIELD IN A SOLENOID

1. EXPERIMENT OBJECTIVES

- 1.1 Study the magnitude of the magnetic field strength inside and outside the solenoid .
- 1.2 Determine the relationship between magnetic field strength and electric current,
- 1.3 Determine the relationship between magnetic field strength and coil density,
- 1.4 Determine constant permeability magnetic µ 0.

2. TOOLS USED



- 2.1 LabQuest2 interface device,
- 2.2 DC- variable power supply,
- 2.3 Rheostat,
- 2.4 Amperemeter,

- 2.5 Magnetic field sensor,
- 2.6 Solenoid standard board,
- 2.7 Solenoid and board,
- 2.8 Connecting wires.

3. BASIC CONCEPTS

A solenoid can be made by winding a wire around a tube in a certain number of turns. If an electric current flows through the solenoid, a magnetic field will be generated inside the solenoid. The magnitude of the magnetic field is expressed by the equation:

$$\boldsymbol{B} = \mu_0 n \ i \tag{5.1}$$

Where:

- B : magnetic field strength (Gauss / Tesla)
- μ₀ : permeability constant (Tesla-meter/Ampere)
- n : number of turns per unit length of solenoid (1/m)
- i : electric current (Ampere)

4. EXPERIMENTAL STEPS

4.1 Experiment Tools Set Up

- 4.1.1 Set magnetic field sensor to *LabQuest* interface on Channel 1. set up sensor sensitivity to position *High*.
- 4.1.2 Stretch the Slinky solenoid to 1 m in length. Arrange so that the distance between the coils is approximately the same length.
- 4.1.3 Make a series circuit of the power supply, ammeter and rheostat. Connect the circuit to the solenoid.
- 4.1.4 Set the length of the solenoid to 1 meter. Place the sensor in the middle of the solenoid.
- 4.1.5 Turn on supply Power with voltage 10 V and set current Suite up to 500 mA.
- 4.1.6 Click the Zero button to ignore the influence of environmental magnetic fields.
- 4.1.7 Observe the magnitude of the magnetic field in *LabQuest*. Rotate the sensor so that the part marked white faces parallel to the solenoid axis. This is the most sensitive sensor position.
- 4.1.8 Press the button *play* to retrieve data. If the data shown by the Tesla Meter is stable enough, press the *Stop button* and record the value .
- 4.1.9 Reverse the sensor position, then record the measurement value.

4.2 Observe Strong Magnetic Field Relationship in Solenoid with Electric current

- 4.2.1 Set the length of the solenoid to 1 meter. Place the sensor in the middle of the solenoid.
- 4.2.2 Click the Zero button to ignore the influence of environmental magnetic fields.
- 4.2.3 Turn on supply power, set current circuit at 100 mA.
- 4.2.4 Press the button *play* to retrieve data. After data recording stops, record the average of measured value (using function *Analyze a Statistics*)
- 4.2.5 Repeat experimental steps 3 and 4 above for each 100 mA increase in current until a current of 700 mA is reached. *(consult with a practicum assistant).*
- 4.2.6 Repeat the experimental steps with measurements starting from a current of 700 mA to 100 mA (difference of 100 mA).
- 4.2.7 Tabulate the data that has been obtained in Table 5.1.

length:						
No	Measurement goes		Measurement			
	up		down			
	<i>I(A</i>)	B(mT)	<i>I(A</i>)	B(mT)		
1	0.1		0.7			
2	0.2		0.6			
3	0.3		0.5			
7	0.7		0.1			
1	0.1		0.1			

Table 5.1. Data from magnetic field measurements of the current applied to the solenoid.

4.3 Observe Strong Magnetic Field Relationship in Solenoid with Coil Density

- 4.3.1 Set the solenoid length to 1.6 meters. Place the sensor in the middle of the solenoid.
- 4.3.2 Click the Zero button to ignore the influence of environmental magnetic fields.

- 4.3.3 Turn on supply power, set current Suite up to 700 mA,
- 4.3.4 Press the button *play* for retrieve data. After data recording stops, record the average of measured value (using function *Analyze a Statistics*)
- 4.3.5 Repeat steps 1 to 4 for different numbers of coils per meter at several points. (consult with practicum assistant).
- 4.3.6 Tabulate the data that has been obtained in Table 5.2.

 Table 5.2. Data from magnetic field measurements on the number of coils per unit length of the solenoid.

Solenoid length:							
No	Measurement docked		Measurement stretch				
	<i>N/I</i> (turns / m)	B(mT)	<i>N/I</i> (turns / m)	B(mT)			
1							
2							
3							

4.4 Observe the distribution of magnetic field values inside and outside the solenoid

- 4.4.1 Adjust the length of the solenoid until it reaches 1 meter.
- 4.4.2 Take 9 samples of magnetic field measurement points inside the solenoid as in Figure 5.2 without clicking the Zero button first .
- 4.4.3 Measure the magnetic field outside the solenoid, namely on each side of the solenoid .
- 4.4.4 Apply a current of 700 mA to the solenoid.
- 4.4.5 Record the measurement values according to the specified points.

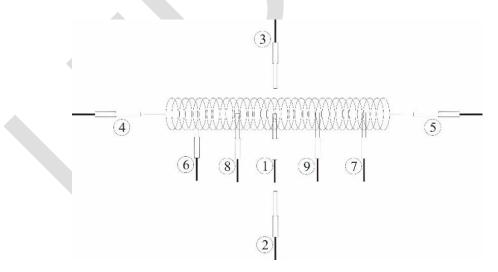


Figure 5.2 Location of measurement.

5. ANALYSIS AND DISCUSSIONS

- 5.1 Experiment with the tool setup section.
 - 5.1.1 Explain why it is necessary to use the zero button!
 - 5.1.2 Explain why the measured value of B changes sign (+, -) when it is reversed!

- 5.2 Experiment of magnetic field strength in the solenoid with current electricity relationship.
 - 5.2.1 Create a graph between the electric current as the Y axis and the magnetic field strength as the X axis (first convert the units to SI form)
 - 5.2.2 How is the magnetic field in solenoid a related to electric current ?
 - 5.2.3 Perform linear regression, then determine μ_0 .
 - 5.2.4 Count percentage difference mark (error) μ_0 which is obtained through test with reference value
- 5.3 Experiment of Magnetic Field strength in Solenoid with Density Coil Relationship.
 - 5.3.1 Create a graph between the solenoid coil density as the Y axis and the magnetic field strength as the X axis (first convert the units to SI form)
 - 5.3.2 How is the magnetic field in solenoid a related to the density of the solenoid coils ?
 - 5.3.3 Perform linear regression, then determine μ_0 .
 - 5.3.4 Count percentage difference mark (error) μ_0 which is obtained through test with reference value
- 5.4 Experiment on the distribution of magnetic field values inside and outside the solenoid.
 - 5.4.1 How is the distribution of the magnetic field inside the solenoid ? Explain, and correlate the explanation with Ampere's law.
 - 5.4.2 How is the magnitude of the magnetic field outside the solenoid? Explain, and correlate the explanation with Ampere's law.

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