# L 29 Electricity and Magnetism [6]

- Review- magnetism- what is a magnet?
- Faraday's Law of Electromagnetic Induction
  - induced currents
  - electric generator
  - eddy currents
- Electromagnetic Waves (Maxwell & Hertz)

#### Laws of Magnetism

- If you pass current through a loop of wire. you get a magnet → Oersted's discovery
- Basic laws of magnetism
- electric currents produce magnetic fields (Ampere)
- magnetic field lines are always closed loops no isolated magnetic poles
- permanent magnets: the currents are atomic currents – due to electrons spinning in atomsthese currents are always there
- electromagnets: the currents flow through wires and require a power source, e.g. a battery





#### Faraday's Law of Electromagnetic induction · Faraday thought that if currents could produce magnetic fields, (Oersted) magnetic fields should be able to produce currents He was correct with one important requirement -> the magnetic field must be changing in some way to produce a current · the phenomenon that a changing magnetic field can produce a current is called Michael Faraday electromagnetic induction (1791-1867)



# Induced currents (b) a) No current is induced if the magnet is stationary. b) When the magnet is pushed toward the coil or pulled away from it an induced current appears in the coil. c) The induced current only appears when the magnet is

being moved

#### Induced currents (c)



- If an AC (time varying) current is used in the primary circuit, a current is induced in the secondary windings.
- If the current in the primary windings were DC, there would be NO induced current in the secondary circuit.



is generated. Some external source of energy is needed to rotate the turbine which turns the coil.



#### Eddy currents

- When time varying magnetic fields are around, currents can appear in nearby conductors --- these are eddy currents
- an induction stove uses eddy currents to cook food





Only the metal pot gets hot, not the glass pot or the stove.



#### The laws of electricity and magnetism

- Law of electricity.— electric charges produce *electric "fields*"
- · Laws of magnetism.-
  - currents produce magnetic fields
  - magnetic field lines are closed loops
  - Faraday's law of electromagnetic induction.— a changing magnetic field can produce a current (*induced currents*)

#### ELECTROMAGNETIC WAVES

- Faraday laid the groundwork with his discovery of electromagnetic induction
- Maxwell added the last piece of the puzzle



### Electromagnetic (EM) waves

- A wave is a disturbance that propagates in a *medium* 
  - transverse waves on a string
  - longitudinal sound waves in air
- an electromagnetic wave is an electric and magnetic disturbance that propagates through space (even vacuum) at the speed of light 299,792,458 m/s or 186,000 miles/s. No medium is required!
- EM waves include radio, microwaves, xrays, light waves, gamma rays . . . . .

### **Electric and Magnetic Fields**

- electric charges produce electric fields (Coulomb's Law)
- electric currents (moving charges) produce magnetic fields (Ampere's Law)
- an electromagnetic wave is a combination of electric and magnetic fields that vibrate together in space and time in a synchronous fashion







#### Electromagnetic waves

- the EM wave propagates because the electric field recreates the magnetic field and the magnetic field recreates the electric field
- an oscillating voltage applied to the antenna makes the charges in the antenna vibrate up and down sending out a synchronized pattern of electric and magnetic fields
- an electromagnetic wave must have both an electric and magnetic field component











# The golden rule applies to electromagnetic waves

 the golden rule: c = λ f
speed = wavelength × frequency applies to electromagnetic waves.

- the speed c is roughly 300,000,000 m/s
- for example, the wavelength of a 1 MHZ radio wave is:

wavelength = speed/frequency

= 300,<del>000,000</del>/1,<del>000,000</del> = 300 meters





