

# ELECTROMAGNETIC TRANSDUCER

When a moving conductor of length  $l$  or a single-turn coil of the same length moves with a velocity  $ds/dt$  across and perpendicular to the lines of magnetic flux of density  $B$ , an emf is generated in the conductor (coil) which is given by Faraday's law as  $e = Bl ds/dt$ . Now  $l ds$  represents an area through which the flux lines cross during the time  $dt$ , and  $Bl ds$  is the corresponding differential flux  $d\phi$  through that area. The emf generated corresponding to  $N$  turns is

$$e = N \frac{d\phi}{dt}$$

Accordingly, the magnitude of the emf depends on the rate of crossing the lines of magnetic flux. This transduction mechanism is utilized in a velocity-measuring transducer. Figure 5.7a shows two coils  $L1$  and  $L2$ , which are connected in phase opposition. The measurand is linked to the permanent magnet, which slides freely in the coils. The rate of movement of the magnet determines the velocity of the measurand. The output voltage is proportional to the velocity for all positions of the magnet. These transducers are known as linear velocity transducers (LVTs).

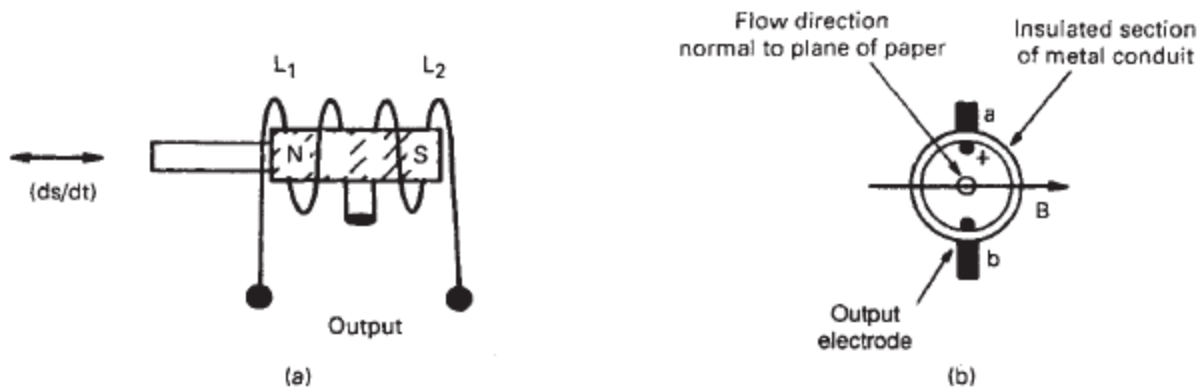


Figure 5.7 Electromagnetic Transducers. (a) Linear velocity transducer (LVT).  
 (b) Flow velocity transducer.

Another application of this transduction mechanism is in sensing the flow velocity  $V$  of an electrically conducting fluid as shown in Fig. 5.7b. the flow is into the plane of the paper. The magnetic field is normal to the flow. The emf is generated along the diameter a-b normal to the flow and the magnetic field  $B$ . The voltage across the electrodes inserted into the flow at a and b is proportional to the flow velocity.

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