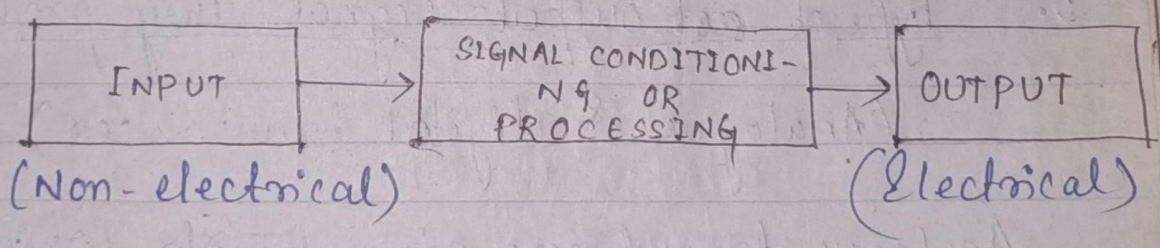# TRANSDUCER

* It is basically measuring the non-electrical quantities in terms of electrical standards.

* A transducer/sensor is a device which measures the non-electrical quantities like temp, pressure, force, displacement in terms of electrical standards.
                                    — (1 mark)

* A transducer is consisting of 3 components
    • Input device
    • Signal conditioning or processing
    • Output

INPUT	→	SIGNAL CONDITIONI-NG OR PROCESSING	→	OUTPUT
(Non-electrical)				(Electrical)

* There are 3 types of classification

1. <u>On the basis of application</u> :-
    (primary transducer, secondary transducer)
    A transducer sense a signal directly then it is known as PRIMARY TRANSDUCER
        If the i/p signal is primarily sensed by a detector or sensor and
    → Eg:- Thermistor

then it is given to the transducer then it is known as SECONDARY TRANSDUCER.

2. **On the method of energy conversion :-**

   (Active & Passive transducer)

If the transducer generates the O/p in the form of electrical voltage or current then it is known without any auxillary source, then it is known as ACTIVE TRANSDUCER. Eg:- Piezoelectric accelerom & :- Sec. transformer, thermocouples

If the non-electrical quantities are measured by influence of a ext. source, then it is PASSIVE TRANSDUCER

   Eg:- Strain gauge, resistance temperature detectors (RTD's) & thermistors

3. **Type of output signal they produce -**

   (Analogue & digital transducer)

Analogue transducers give the O/p which is a continious function of time.
   Eg:- Thermistors, LVDT, thermocouple, strain gauge etc.
Digital transducer gives the O/p which is discrete function of time. or pulse
   Eg:- Tachometer

These digital transducers are becoming more popular nowadays because due to the fact that digital signals can be transmited over a long distance without causing much distortion due to amplitude variation & phase sh

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THERMISTOR :—

It is a transducer which measures temperature in terms of current.

$$Temp \longrightarrow Resistance \longrightarrow Current$$

It is very much sensitive device and more effective than resistance temperature detector (RTD).

Thermistor is basically consisting of semiconducting materials having an unique property -ve temperature coefficient of resistance.

$$\boxed{i.e \quad T\uparrow \Rightarrow I\uparrow(1/\alpha . R\downarrow)}$$

T = Temp.
R = Resistance
I = Current

There are different thermistor available of various shape & size and basically composed of mixture of metallic oxides like Mn, Ni, CO, Cu, Fe and Uranium.

The resistance range of thermistor varies from 0.5Ω to 75 MΩ.

(Bead)

(Probe)

(Disc type)

(Rod)
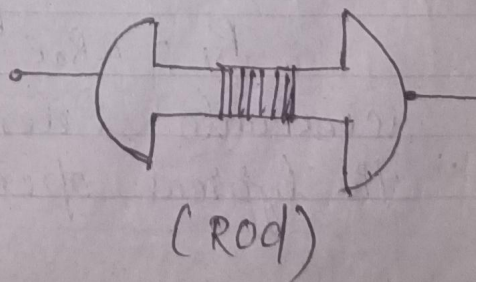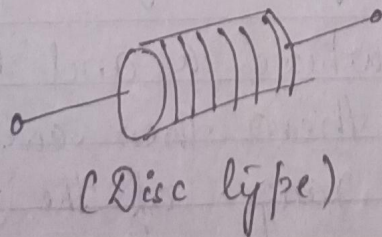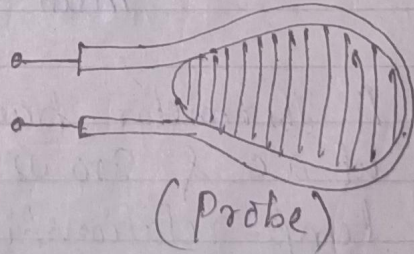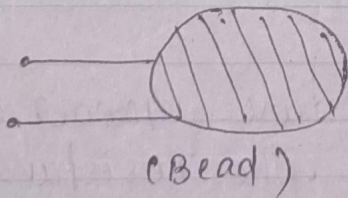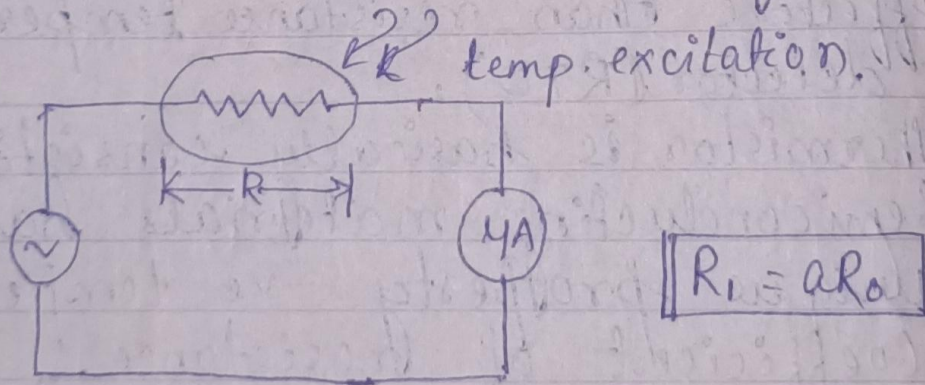
& phase shift.

THERMISTOR :-

Basically the thermistor is used to measure the temperature by employing heat in a circuit as a linear resistor. The resistance of the resistor goes on varying in a -ve temperature coefficient relationship and succeedingly the surrounding temperature in the circuit can be easily measured.

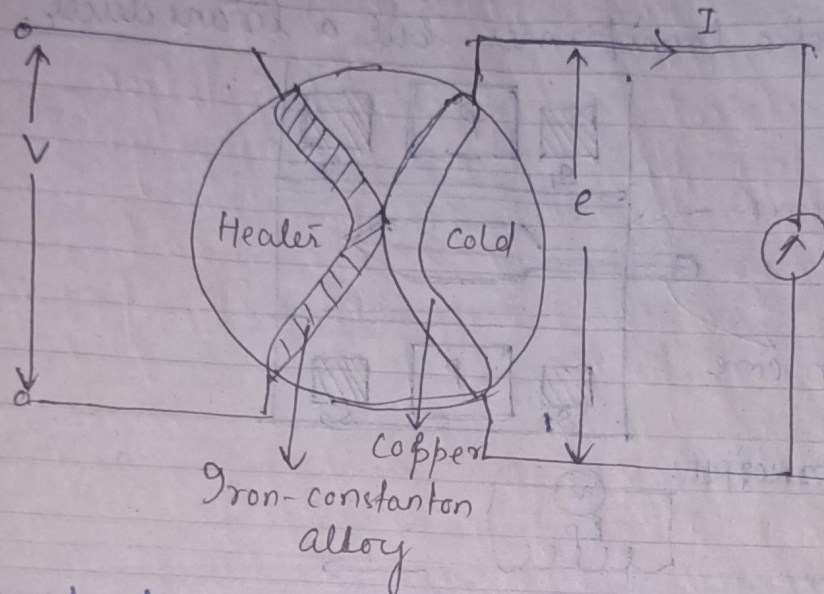The representation of a thermistor is given by above equⁿ.

R_0 = resistance of the thermistor at $0°c$ or $273K$ (T_0)

R_1 = final value of resistance. It is the changed resistance at T_1 which is the other absolute temp. than T_0 (may be more or less than T_0)

Thermocouple :=

Heater

Cold

e

I

Copper

Iron-constanton
alloy

$$Constantan = Ni(45\%) + Cu(55\%)$$

There are two metals having different work function
are placed together in a transformer
principle, The junction which is formed
is placed / kept in a sealed chamber
in order to have no leakage of the
temperature when the heat flows to the
colder element. Subsiding & subsequently
produces EMF which produces current 'I'
which is measured by the microammeter
and ultimately we can say this transd-
ucer measured internal ck t temperature
in terms of current.

Cold part is made up of   Copper
heater part is made up of Iron constanton
                                        alloy

Measurement of Torque by Tachometer
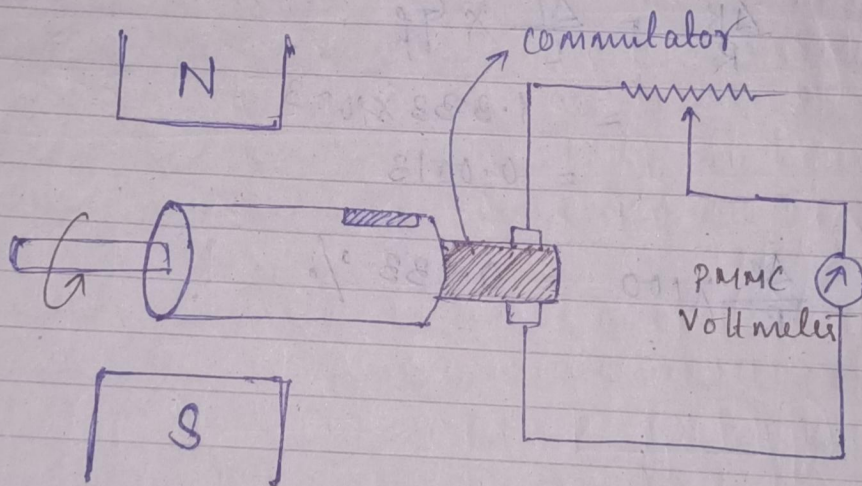
A Tachometer (Tachogenerator) is a device which is used to measure angular velocity. There are two basic types of Tachometer available

    ⓐ Electrical
    ⓑ Digital.

→ Electrical :- ⓐ AC
              ⓑ DC

DC Tachometer :-

Qus.

What is the relationship btwⁿ no load condⁿ of a gen. which is coupouled with the motor and load condⁿ when the gen. connected to motor.

* It consisting of a small armature having a shaft which is to be coupled to a machine whose rotation we want to measure. It is having commutator and brush connected as shown.

* There is a secondary ckt which take care of the EMF generated

$$E = \frac{P\phi ZN}{60A}$$

* It is consisting of variable resistance and voltmeter which is calliberated in terms of rpm.

* Now the rotation of the shaft will lead to a EMF generation in a direction proportion ($e \propto N$) which is measured by the PMMC voltmeter with a less accuracy.

Disadvantages:-

* The system is bulky, inefficient, does not give complete DC, and also Analogue type.

AC TACHOMETER :-

Speed to be measured — PMAC gen

Rectifier bridge

Moving coil voltmeter

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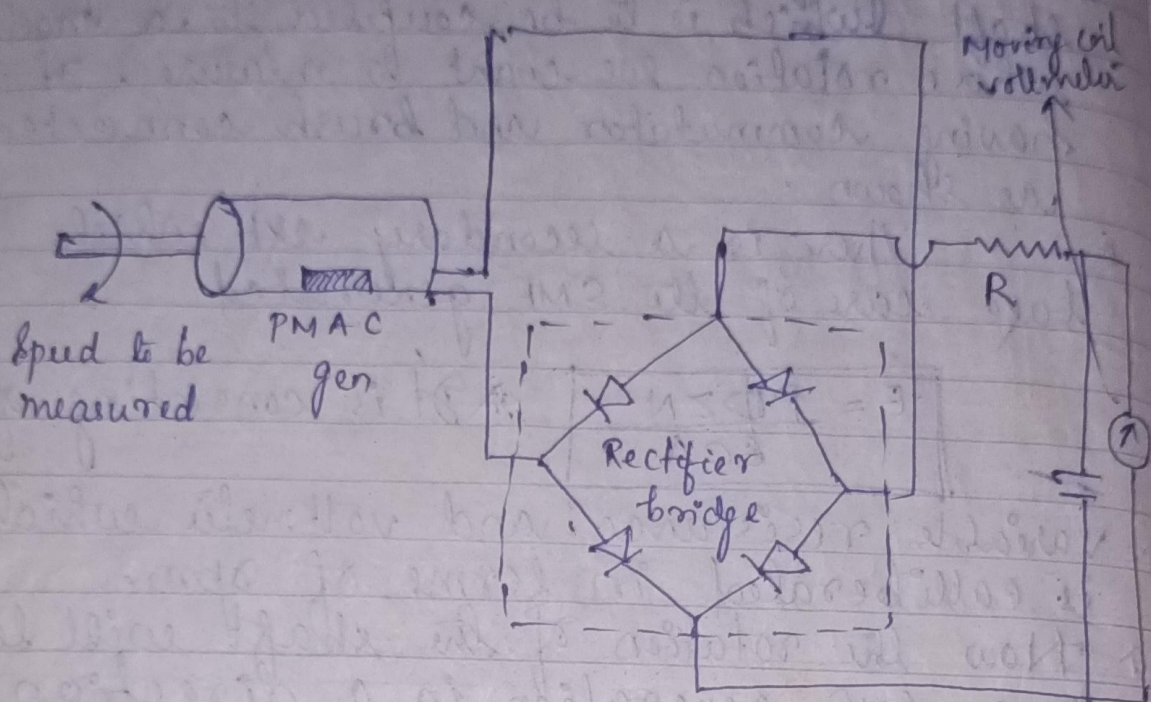
In this case PMAC (motor) (Permanent magnet-
AC gen) is used which causes an emf to
be induced on the secondary side which
is proportional to the speed of rotation.
In order to get a better accuracy the
o/p of the AC gen is fed to a rectifier
bridge. The o/p of bridge rectifier
(consist of 4 diode.) is connected
with R-C ckt which removes the ripple
content present in the signal (EMF) &
the same is given to moving coil voltmeter
which is calliberated in terms of
speed to measure the xact amt of DC
voltage.

(DIGITAL / PHOTO ELECTRIC) TACHOMETER
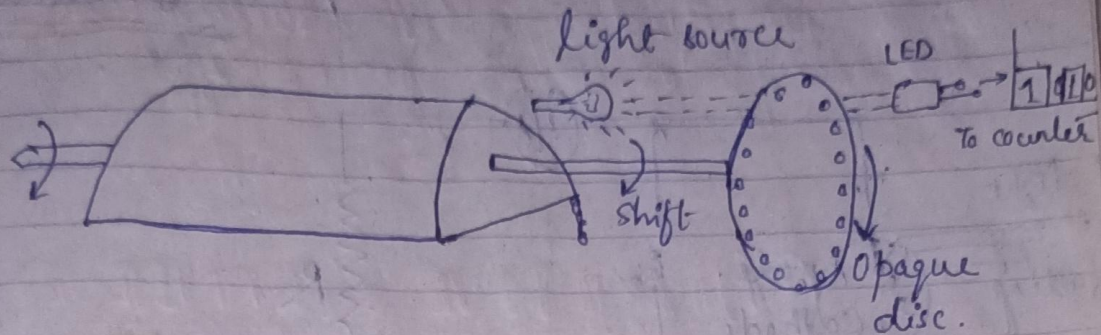
(a) In this case an opaque disc is also known as photoelectric tachometer mounted on the rotating shaft. The disc has a no. of equidistant holes on its periphery when the opaque medium comes b/w the path of the light source & LED as shown in the figure. The sensor is unilluminated & produces a LOW, NULL o/p.

(b) When the holes comes in b/w the path we get an o/p high on the LED & a pulse is generated on the digital counter connected to the o/p of LED.

(c) The series of binary readings formulated via BCD gives a 7 segment display of the decimal rpm.
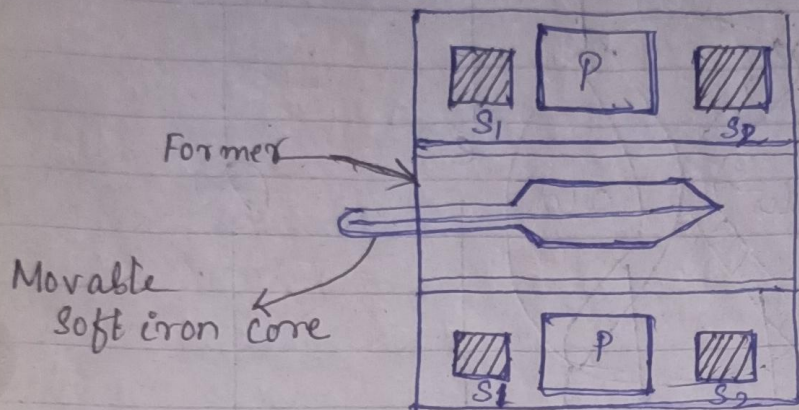
(d) This one is lighter & more efficient & less costly.

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LINEAR Variable Differential Transformer

[LVDT]

It is not a transformer but a transducer.

Former →

Movable
soft iron core ←

WORKING PRINCIPLE:

E_S

ES_1 ES_2
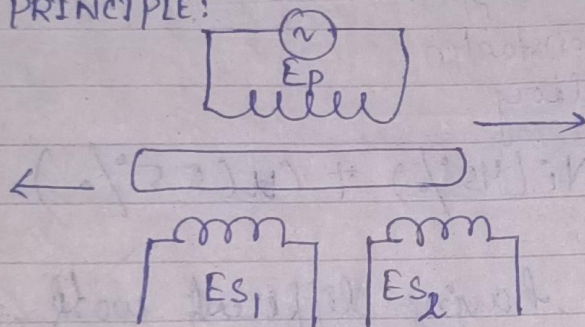
It is the most widely used inductive transducer
which transduces the linear motion to EMF.

CONSTRUCTION:—

There is a transformer which is consisting of
one primary windgs 'P' and two secondary
windgs S_1 & S_2 surrounding the primary.
S_1 & S_2 have equal no. of turns.
There is a movable soft iron core
placed inside the 'former' (It is an housing).
The iron core is having high permeability.
It is made up of Nickel-iron alloy
which is hydrogen annealed (sudden
cooling given to hot iron) to solidify)

Annealed:- The hot material is cooled and hardened to strengthen the solid.

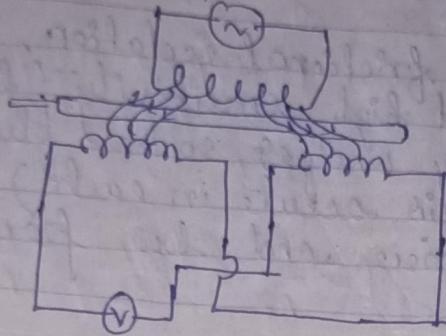- The former is made up of stainless steel with proper shielding.

WORKING PRINCIPLE:-

$E_0 = E_{s_1} - E_{s_2}$
(resultant
Secondary
EMF)

There is a differential o/p in the secondary

$$E_0 = E_{s_1} - E_{s_2}$$

The flux paths produced by the E_p are linked by the iron core which is placed in the magnetic medium.

(i) When the iron core is at middle position, the flux linking to both S_1 & S_2 are equal

Hence $\boxed{|E_{s_1} = E_{s_2}|}$ and $\boxed{E_0 = 0}$ and we get not displacement in the core.

(ii) If the core is moving to left then more flux links S_1 and $\boxed{E_{s_1} > E_{s_2}}$ and E_0 is having a increasing +ve value.

(iii) If the core is moving to right then more flux links S_2 and $E_{s_2} > E_{s_1}$ and E_0 is having decreasing -ve value.
increasing

Advantage :- over ordinary transducer.

(i) High range for measurement of linear displacement!

(ii) Electrical and frictional isolation.

(iii) High i/p and high sensitivity (bcoz of two secondary wndges, so the flux accumulation is actute in each)

(iv) Low hysterisis and low power conservation.

Disadvantages :-

(i) Transducer performance can be affected by vibrations.

(ii) Ext. temp. effect is over the cu wire which leads to misguided result in EMF.

In a gas filled type the transmission of e
is much faster than vaccum type.

CAPACITIVE TRANSDUCER

$$C = \epsilon_0 \frac{A}{d}$$

ϵ_0 = permitivity of medium
A = overlapping area in
d = distance btwn plate 2

* displacement is measured in terms of change in Farad.

$$\epsilon = \epsilon_0 \times \epsilon_r \qquad \epsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-12}$$

* A capacitive transducers uses the concept of parallel plate capacitor.

In a parallel plate capacitor it transduces the displacement into change in capacitance which is caused due to

(i) Change in overlapping area
(ii) Change in distance btw the plate
(iii) Change in permitivity

Out of the above three, the change in permitivity is less. Hence the total change in capacitance mainly depends upon 1st two points.

change in capacitance due to change in overlapping area:-

x: overlapping area.
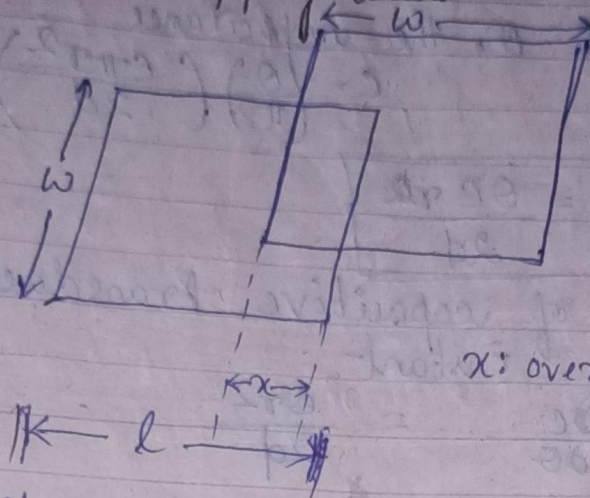
The capacitance is directly proportional to overlapping area

$$C = \frac{\varepsilon A}{d} = \frac{\varepsilon (\omega \times x)}{d}$$

$$C_{max} = \frac{\varepsilon (\omega \times l)}{d}$$

Sensitivity of capacitive transducer at any instant is defined as

$$S = \frac{\partial C}{\partial x} = \frac{\varepsilon \omega}{d}$$

For angular displacement of capacitive plate

→ fixed plate
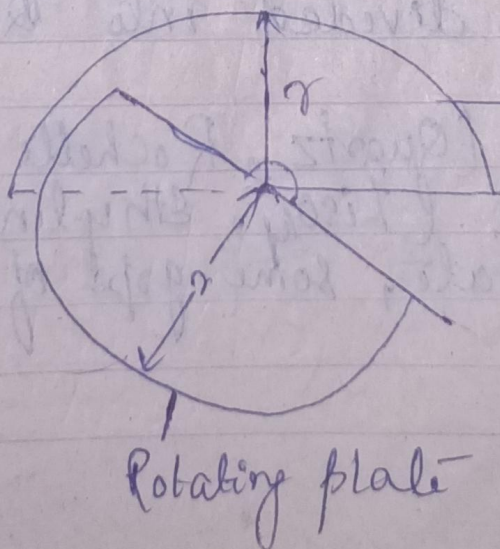
radius is same

Rotating plate

$$C_{max} = \frac{\epsilon \pi r^2}{2d} \quad , \quad C = \frac{\epsilon A}{d}$$

At any angle θ, the capacitance

$$C = \left(\frac{\theta}{\pi}\right)\left(\frac{\epsilon \pi r^2}{2d}\right)$$

$$\therefore \boxed{C = \frac{\theta \epsilon r^2}{2d}}$$

<u>Sensitivity</u>:- of capacitive transducer at any instant

$$S = \frac{\partial C}{\partial \theta} = \frac{\epsilon r^2}{2d}$$

PIEZOELECTRIC TRANSDUCER

A piezo-electric material when subjected to stress, then the dimension of material changes which leads to electronic deformations within the atomic structure & later on, this leads to the rise of potential difference across the material and vice-versa. This phenomenon is known as piezoelectric effect. It is reversible process.

Some common materials showing piezo electric properties are divided into 2 grps

→ natural (Quartz, Rochelle salt)
→ synthetic (LiSO_4, Ethylene diamine tartarate, some grps of benzene

← ℓ →
↓ FORCE (F)

← Dielectric material
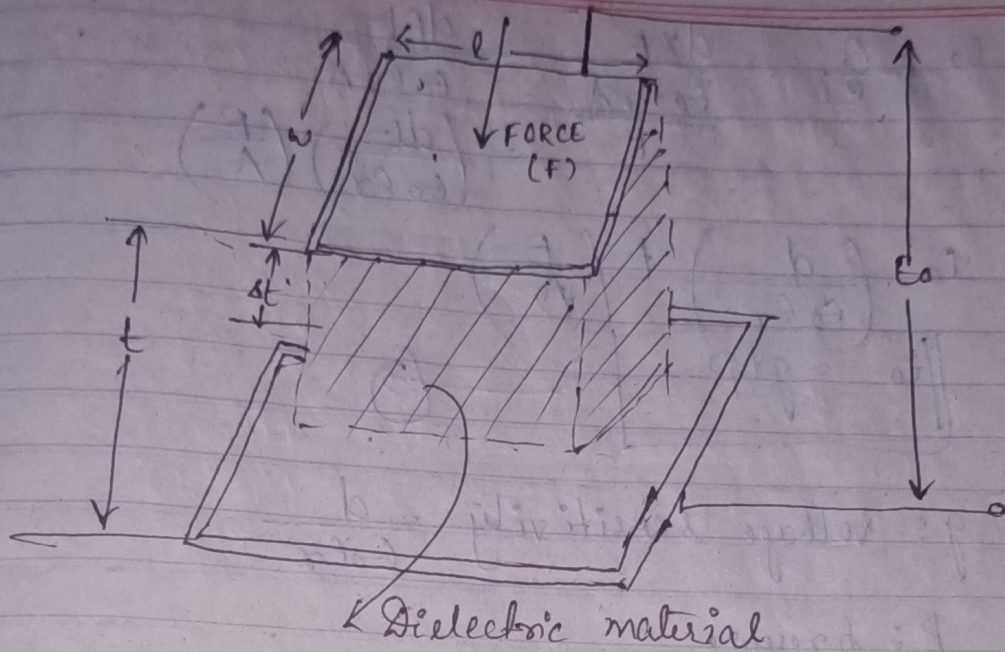
The charge which is developed due to deformation often lead to EMF

$$E_0 = Q/c$$

c : capacitance

Q : charge

$$Q = d \times F \quad —— \text{①}$$

d : charge sensitivity of a crystal. Coul/N.

F : applied force in N

$$Y \text{ (young's Modulus)} = \frac{\text{stress}}{\text{strain}}$$

$$= \frac{F/A}{\Delta t/t}$$

$$F = \left(\frac{\Delta Y}{t}\right) \Delta t \quad —— \text{②} \qquad A = w \times \ell$$

Hall Effect Transducer

Definition: The **hall effect** element is a type of transducer used for **measuring** the **magnetic field** by **converting** it into an **emf**. The direct measurement of the magnetic field is not possible. Thus the Hall Effect Transducer is used. The **transducer converts** the **magnetic field** into an **electric quantity** which is easily **measured** by the **analogue** and **digital meters.**

Principle of Hall Effect Transducer

The principle of hall effect transducer is that if the current carrying strip of the conductor is placed in a transverse magnetic field, then the EMF develops on the edge of the conductor. The magnitude of the develop voltage depends on the density of flux, and this property of a conductor is called the Hall effect. The Hall effect element is mainly used for magnetic measurement and for sensing the current.

The metal and the semiconductor has the property of hall effect which depends on the densities and the mobility of the electrons.

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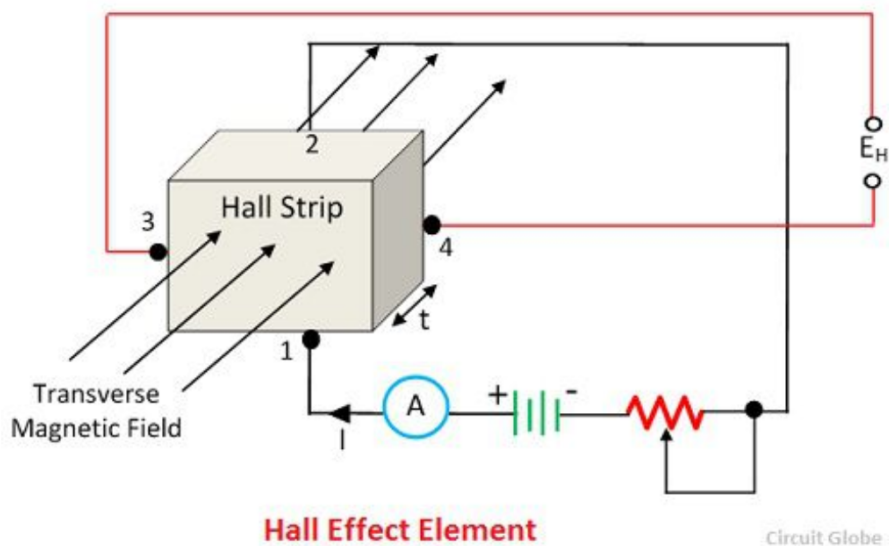
When the magnetic field is applied to the strip, the output voltage develops across the output leads 3 and 4. The develops voltage is directly proportional to the strength of the material.

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## Applications of Hall Effect Transducer

The following are the application of the Hall effect Transducers.

1. Magnetic to Electric Transducer – The Hall effect element is used for converting the magnetic flux into an electric transducer. The magnetic fields are measured by placing the semiconductor material in the measurand magnetic field. The voltage develops at the end of the semiconductor strips, and this voltage is directly proportional to the magnetic field density.

The Hall Effect transducer requires small space and also gives the continuous signal concerning the magnetic field strength. The only disadvantage of the transducer is that it is highly sensitive to temperature and thus calibration requires in each case.

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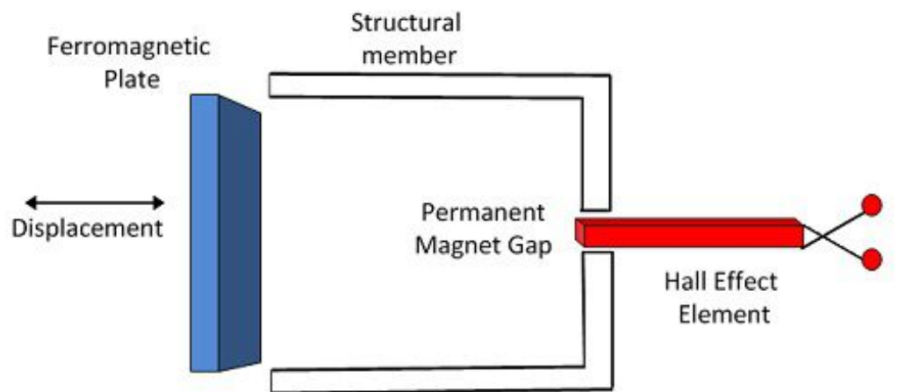
Measurement of Displacement Using Hall Efect Transducer

Circuit Globe

The hall effect transducer placed between the poles of the permanent magnet. The magnetic field strength across the hall effect element changes by changing the position of the ferromagnetic field.

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4. Measurement of Power – The hall effect transducer is used for measuring the power of the conductor. The current is applied across the conductor, which develops the magnetic field. The intensity of the field depends on the current. The magnetic field induces the voltage across the strip. The output voltage of the multiplier is proportional to the power of the transducer.

Cathode Ray Oscilloscope (CRO)

Definition: The cathode ray oscilloscope (CRO) is a type of electrical instrument which is used for showing the measurement and analysis of waveforms and others electronic and electrical phenomenon. It is a very fast X-Y plotter shows the input signal versus another signal or versus time. The CROs are used to analyse the waveforms, transient, phenomena, and other time-varying quantities from a very low-frequency range to the radio frequencies.

The CRO is mainly operated on voltages. Thus, the other physical quantity like current, strain, acceleration, pressure, are converted into the voltage with the help of the transducer and thus represent on a CRO. It is also used for knowing the waveforms, transient phenomenon, and other time-varying quantity from a very low-frequency range to the radio frequencies.

The CRO has Stylus (i.e., a luminous spot) which move over the display area in response to an input voltage. This luminous spot is produced by a beam of electrons striking on a fluorescent screen. The normal form of the CRO uses a horizontal input voltage which is an internally generated ramp voltage called "time base".

The horizontal voltage moves the luminous spot periodically in a horizontal direction from left to right over the display area or screen. The vertical voltage is the voltage under investigation. The vertical voltage moves the luminous spot up and down on the screen. When the input voltage moves very fast on the

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Construction of Cathode Ray Oscilloscope

The main parts of the cathode ray oscilloscope are as follows.

1. Cathode Ray Tube

2. Electronic Gun Assembly

3. Deflecting Plate

4. Fluorescent Screen For CRT

5. Glass Envelop

Their parts are explained below in details

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The cathode ray tube is the vacuum tube which converts the electrical signal into the visual signal. The cathode ray tube mainly consists the electron gun and the electrostatic deflection plates (vertical and horizontal).The electron gun produces a focused beam of the electron which is accelerated to high frequency.

The vertical deflection plate moves the beams up and down and the horizontal beam moved the electrons beams left to right. These movements are independent to each other and hence the beam may be positioned anywhere on the screen.

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After the emission of an electron from the cathode grid, it passes through the control grid. The control grid is usually a nickel cylinder with a centrally located co-axial with the CRT axis. It controls the intensity of the emitted electron from the cathode.

The electron while passing through the control grid is accelerated by a high positive potential which is applied to the pre-accelerating or accelerating nodes.

The electron beam is focused on focusing electrodes and then passes through the vertical and horizontal deflection plates and then goes on to the fluorescent lamp. The pre-accelerating and accelerating anode are connected to 1500v, and the focusing electrode is connected to 500 v. There are two methods of focusing on the electron beam. These methods are

✔ Electrostatic focusing

✔ Electromagnetic focusing.

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4. Fluorescent Screen for CRT

The front of the CRT is called the face plate. It is flat for screen sized up to about 100mm×100mm. The screen of the CRT is slightly curved for larger displays. The face plate is formed by pressing the molten glass into a mould and then annealing it.

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5. Glass Envelope

It is a highly evacuated conical shape structure. The inner surface of the CRT between the neck and the screen is coated with the aquadag. The aquadag is a conducting material and act as a high-voltage electrode. The coating surface is electrically connected to the accelerating anode and hence help the electron to be the focus.

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Circuit Globe
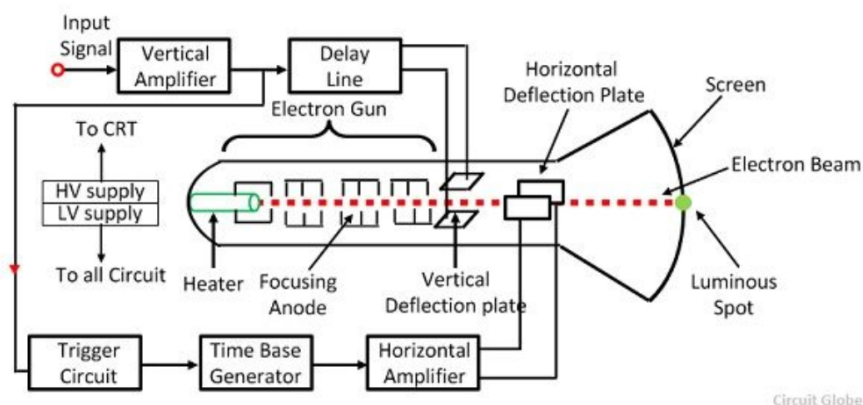
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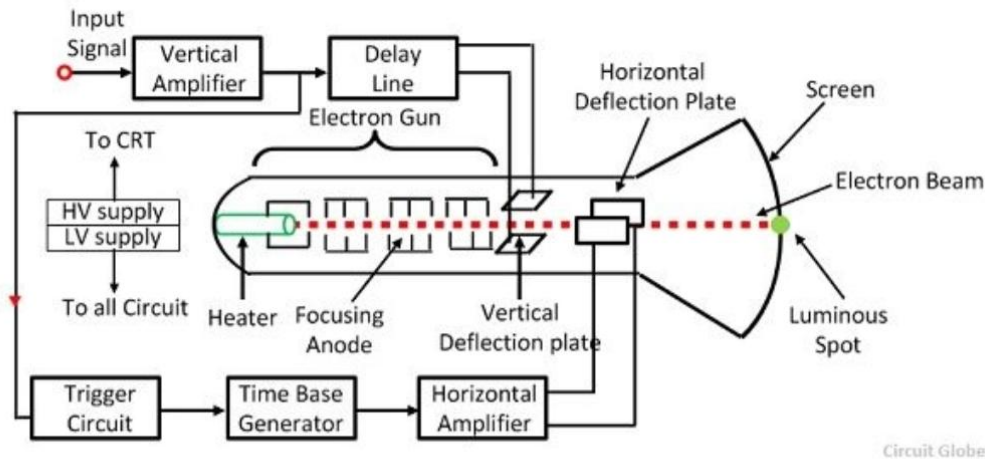
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After moving from the accelerating anode, the beam comes under the effect of the deflecting plates. When the deflecting plate is at zero potential, the beam produces a spot at the centre.If the voltage is applied to the vertical deflecting plate, the electron beam focuses at the upward and when the voltage is applied horizontally the spot of light will be deflected horizontally.