

Ohm's Law

$$E = IZ$$

$$P = IE$$

E = volts

I = current in amps

Z = impedance or resistance in ohms

P = power in watts

Transformer Input and Output

$$E_P I_P = E_S I_S$$

E_P = primary voltage

I_P = primary current in amps

E_S = secondary voltage

I_S = secondary current in amps

Capacitive Reactance

$$X_C = \frac{1}{2\pi FC}$$

X_C = capacitive reactance in ohms

F = frequency in hertz

C = capacitance in farads

Inductive Reactance

$$X_L = 2\pi FL$$

X_L = inductive reactance in ohms

F = frequency in hertz

L = inductance in henrys

Resonant Circuit Formula

$$4\pi^2 F^2 LC = 1$$

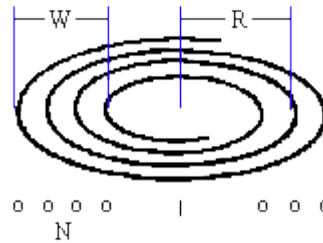
$$F = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{LC}}$$

F = frequency in hertz
 L = inductance in henrys
 C = capacitance in farads

Spiral Coil Inductance

$$L = \frac{(NR)^2}{8R + 11W}$$

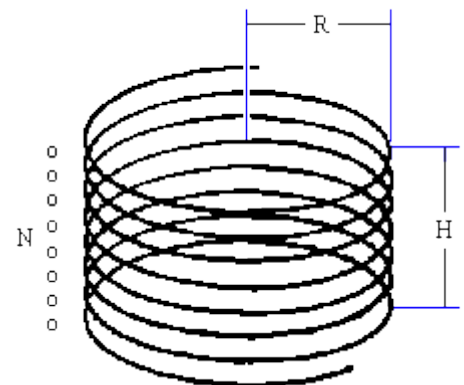
L = inductance of coil in microhenrys (μH)
 R = average radius of the coil in inches
 N = number of turns
 W = width of the coil in inches



Helical Coil Inductance

$$L = \frac{(NR)^2}{9R + 10H}$$

L = inductance of coil in microhenrys (μH)
 N = number of turns
 R = radius of coil in inches (Measure from the center of the coil to the middle of the wire.)
 H = height of coil in inches

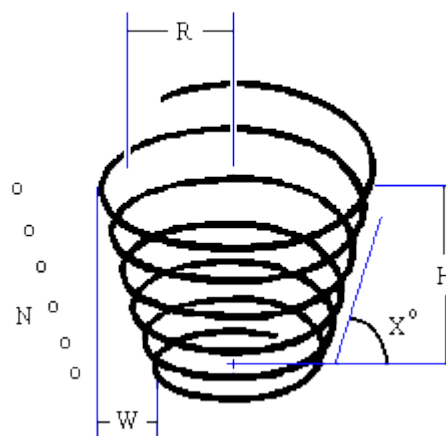


Inverse Conical Coil Inductance

$$L_1 = \frac{(NR)^2}{9R + 10H} \quad L_2 = \frac{(NR)^2}{8R + 11W}$$

$$L = \sqrt{(L_1 \sin(x))^2 + (L_2 \cos(x))^2}$$

L = inductance of coil in microhenrys (μH)
 L₁ = helix factor
 L₂ = spiral factor
 N = number of turns
 R = average radius of coil in inches
 H = effective height of the coil in inches
 W = effective width of the coil in inches



X = rise angle of the coil in degrees

Secondary Coil Dimensions

$$L = \frac{\pi D A H}{12} \quad T = A H \quad A = \frac{1}{B}$$

L = length of wire in feet

D = outer diameter of coil form in inches

H = height of windings in inches

A = number of turns per inch

T = total number of turns

B = thickness of wire in inches

Medhurst

$$C = 0.29 L + 0.41 R + 1.94 \sqrt{\frac{R^3}{L}}$$

C = self capacitance in picofarads

R = radius of secondary coil in inches

L = length of secondary coil in inches

Toroid Capacitance

$$C = 1.4 \left(1.2781 - \frac{D_2}{D_1} \right) \sqrt{\pi D_2 (D_1 - D_2)}$$

C = capacitance in picofarads

D₁ = outside diameter of toroid in inches

D₂ = diameter of cross section of toroid in inches

This equation courtesy Bert Pool.

Sphere Capacitance

$$C = \frac{25.4 R}{9}$$

C = capacitance in picofarads

R = radius in inches

Plate Capacitors

$$C = \frac{0.224 K A (N - 1)}{1,000,000 D}$$

- C = capacitance in microfarads
- K = dielectric constant
- A = area of each plate in square inches
- N = number of plates
- D = distance between plates in inches (thickness of dielectric)

Leyden Jar Capacitors

$$C = \frac{0.224 \pi K D (H + 0.25 D)}{1,000,000 T}$$

- C = capacitance in microfarads
- K = dielectric constant
- D = diameter of jar in inches
- H = height of jar in inches
- T = thickness of jar in inches

AC RMS and Peak Voltage

$$E_{RMS} = 0.7071 \cdot E_p$$

$$E_{RMS} = \text{RMS voltage}$$

$$E_p = \text{peak voltage}$$

Rotary Spark Gap Firings per Second

$$F = \frac{RE}{60}$$

- F = firings per second (hertz)
- R = motor RPM rating
- E = number of rotary electrodes

Rotary Spark Gap Electrode Speed

$$S = \frac{\pi R D}{1056}$$

- S = electrode speed (MPH)
- R = motor RPM rating
- D = diameter of electrode placement circle (inches)

Energy for L and C

Capacitance

Inductance

$$J = 0.5 V^2 C$$

$$J = 0.5 I^2 L$$

J = joules of energy stored

V = peak charge voltage

I = peak current

C = capacitance in farads

L = inductance in henries

I stated peak values of V and I because I want to emphasize not to use RMS values. The energy stored at any given time is of course: $J(t) = 0.5 [V(t)]^2 C$ and $J(t) = 0.5 [I(t)]^2 L$.