

# AC VOLTAGE SOURCES

Lesson 5

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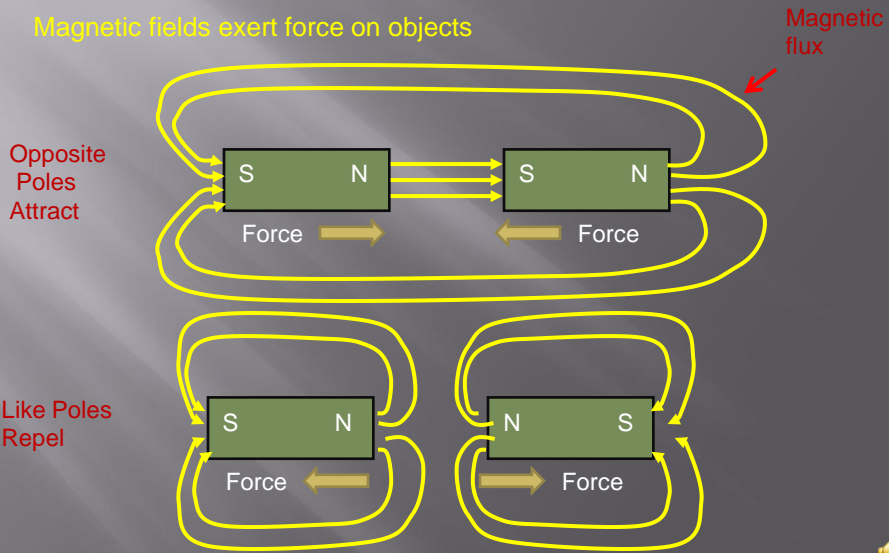
## Ac Sources Learning Objectives

- ▣ **In this lesson you will:**
- ▣ learn how magnetic dipoles interact.
- ▣ see how electromagnets are constructed
- ▣ observe changes in magnetic fields for dc and ac currents
- ▣ see how generators create ac voltage
- ▣ see how transformers operate
- ▣ learn schematic symbols for ac generators and transformers
- ▣ study a block diagram for a typical laboratory dc power supply



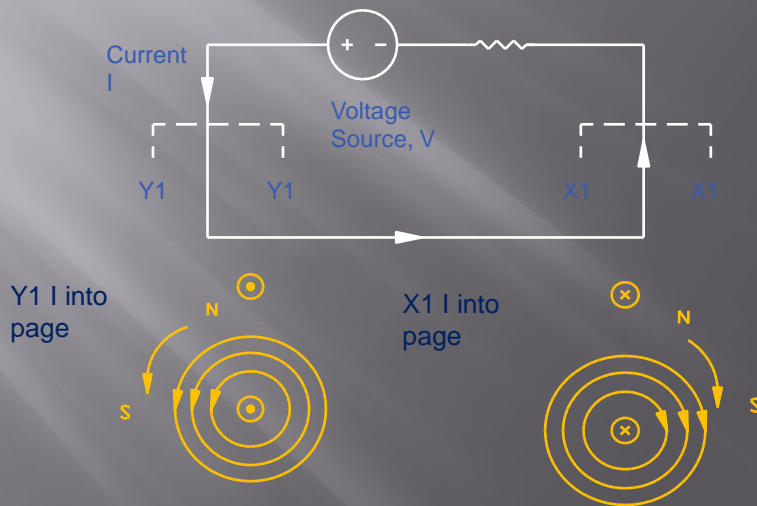
# Magnetism and Ac Voltage

Magnetic fields exert force on objects



# Electromagnetism

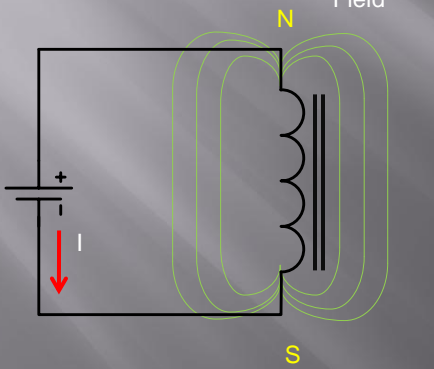
Currents flowing in wires produce magnetic flux



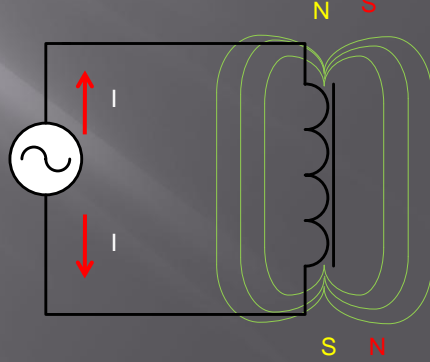
# Electromagnetism

## Coiling wire focuses flux

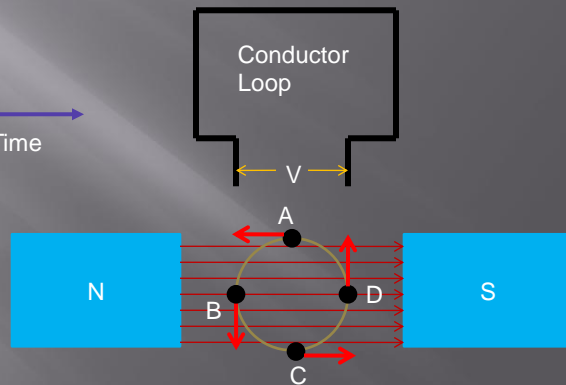
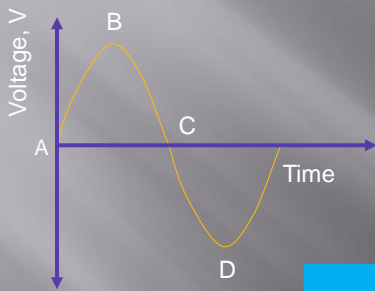
Dc current produces constant flux



Ac current produces alternating flux



# Induced Voltage Generating Ac Voltage

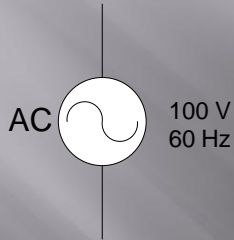


Rotating a conductor through a magnetic field produces an Ac voltage generators (Alternators)



# Ac Generators

Schematic Symbol for Ac Generators (Alternators)



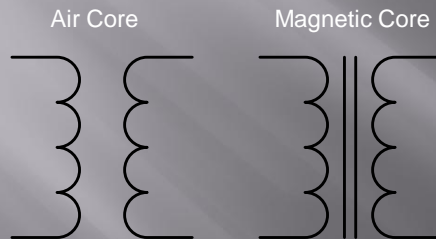
Symbol represents both power generators and small signal devices used in electronics

Must specify voltage and frequency values

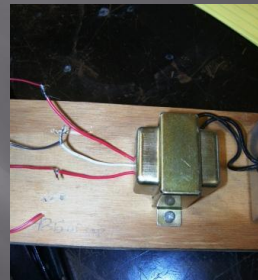


# Magnetic Coupling Transformer Action

Two coils wound on a common magnetic core form a transformer



Schematic Symbols



Iron core transformer 120/12.6 V

Used to increase and decrease voltage levels in ac systems  
Will not work with dc

Number of turns in coils determine characteristics



# Transformers

## Power Transformer Applications



Industrial Power Supply

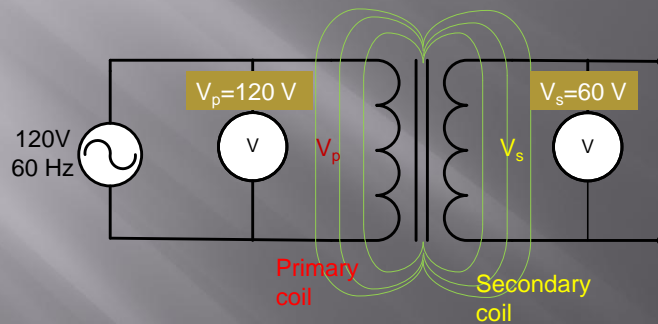


Bench-top Isolation Transformer



## Transformer Action

Magnetic field produced in primary coil induces voltage in secondary coil



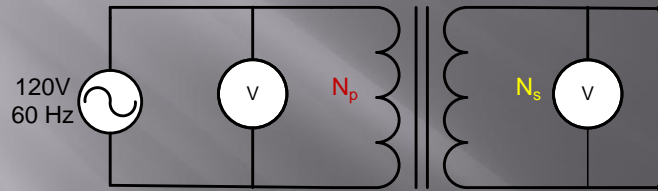
$N_p$  = turns in primary coil  
 $N_s$  = turns in secondary coil  
 $V_p$  = primary voltage applied  
 $V_s$  = secondary voltage induced

$V_s < V_p$  Step-down  
 $V_s > V_p$  Step-up



## Transformer Action

Induced voltage is proportional to number of turns in coils



**Equation**

$$\frac{N_p}{N_s} = \frac{V_p}{V_s}$$

Example: Given  $N_p = 100$ ,  $N_s = 50$  and  $V_p = 120$  find  $V_s$

$$\frac{N_p}{N_s} = \frac{V_p}{V_s} \quad \frac{100}{50} = \frac{120}{V_s}$$

$$100 V_s = 50(120)$$

$$V_s = \left( \frac{50}{100} \right) (120) = 60$$



## Laboratory Dc Power Supplies

**Dc Power Supplies** – Instruments that produce controllable dc voltages and currents from 120 V Ac outlet voltages

Replace batteries in lab experiments and electronics design

Typical Voltages

0 -20 V dc

0-30 V dc

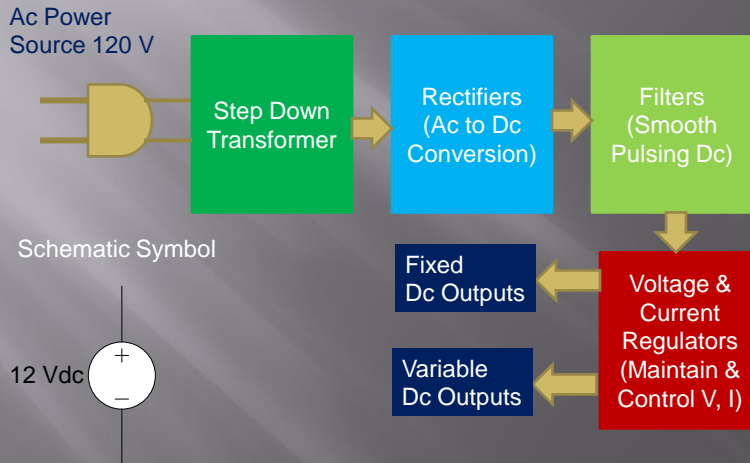
5 V dc fixed

Supplies can have single output or  
Multiple outputs

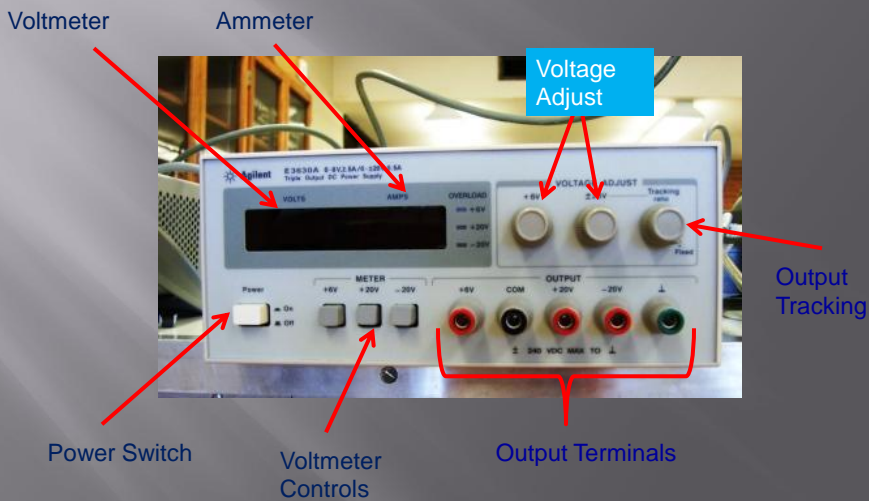
Current limits prevent damage  
to supply or designed circuit



# Laboratory Dc Power Supplies Functional Block Diagram



# Laboratory Dc Power Supplies Front Panel Controls



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Coming Next: Simple Circuit Analysis  
Using Ohm's Law

