

Electricity and Magnetism – 2

EXERCISE (A) Objective Questions

Multiple Choice Questions.
Select the correct option:

1. A bar magnet is rubbed on a bar of steel along its length 20 times. The bar of steel gets magnetised due to the process of :

- (a) induction
- (b) conduction**
- (c) friction
- (d) none of the these

2. The magnetic strength of a bar magnet is :

- (a) maximum at its centre
- (b) same along the magnet
- (c) maximum near its ends**
- (d) none of these

3. The surest test of magnet is :

- (a) repulsion**
- (b) attraction
- (c) induction
- (d) none of these

4. Nickel is a :

- (a) ferromagnetic substance**
- (b) paramagnetic substance
- (c) diamagnetic substance
- (d) none of these

5. The substance which form a strong temporary magnet is:

- (a) steel
- (b) platinum
- (c) soft iron**
- (d) manganese

6. The place around a magnet where its influence can be detected is called :

- (a) magnetic lines of force

- (b) magnetic pole
- (c) **magnetic field**
- (d) magnetic space

(B) Subjective Questions

Self Objective Questions

Question 1.

What do you mean by the term pole of a magnet? Magnetically speaking, what is the difference between a piece of brass, a piece of soft iron and a piece of lode- stone?

Answer:

Pole of a magnet: Each end of a bar magnet is called its pole. The point situated slightly inside a bar magnet, where most of its magnetic power is concentrated, is called magnetic pole or pole of a magnet.

Brass is not a magnetic substance and it is not affected by magnetic field. It does not stick to a magnet.

Soft iron is a ferromagnetic substance and gets strongly attracted towards a magnet. Soft iron can not attract other magnetic substances unless gets magnetised.

Lode stone is naturally magnetized piece of mineral magnetite. It can attract other magnetic substance.

Question 2.

(a) What are magnetic and non-magnetic substances? Give at least two examples of each.

(b) Fill the blank spaces in the table given below :

Nature of bar	Action of compass needle	
	North Pole	South Pole
Non-magnetic	No action	_____
_____	attracted	attracted
North pole of a bar magnet	_____	_____
_____	attracted	repelled

Answer:

(a) **Magnetic substance** : Those substances which are affected by the magnetic field are known as magnetic substances.

For example : Iron, nickel, cobalt etc. are the magnetic substances.

Non-magnetic substances : Those substance which are not affected by the magnetic field are known as nonmagnetic substances.

For example : Paper, glass, wood etc.

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Question 3.

Define : magnetic field, magnetic meridian, geographical meridian, declination and magnetic equator.

Answer:

Magnetic field : The space surrounding a magnet within which the magnet has its influence is called magnetic field.

Magnetic meridian: The vertical plane containing the magnetic axis of a free suspended magnet at rest, under the action of magnetic intensity of earth is called magnetic meridian. **Geographical meridian** : The vertical plane which contains geographical north and south poles of earth at a given place is called geographical meridian.

Decimation : The phenomenon due to which the earth's geographical meridian is inclined to earth's magnetic meridian is called declination.

Magnetic equator : An imaginary line right bisecting the effective length of bar magnet is called magnetic equator.

Question 4.

Why do lines of magnetic force never cross? Why do they never pass through a neutral point?

Answer:

No two lines of magnetic force cross each other because in that case there would be two directions of resultant magnetic force at a given point, which is not possible. Magnetic lines of force never pass through neutral point because at neutral point magnetic field due to bar magnet is neutralised by earth's magnetic field.

Question 5.

Define : Isogonic line, agonic line isoclinic line.

Answer:

Isogonic lines : A line which joins all the places on earth, having same angle of declination is called isogonic line.

Agonic line: A line which joins all the places on earth, having zero angle of declination is called agonic line.

Isoclinic line : A line joining all the places on globe, having same angle of dip or inclination is called isoclinic line.

Question 6.

How do you account for the following facts?

- (a) Iron becomes magnetised when placed in a coil carrying direct current.
- (b) Bar magnets lose their magnetism when heated strongly.
- (c) Steel makes better permanent magnet than soft iron.
- (d) Soft iron keepers help to prevent the magnets from losing their magnetic properties.

Answer:

(a) Iron is a magnetic substance and hence its each atom behaves as a tiny magnet. When iron piece is placed in a coil carrying direct current, then all the north poles of all the atoms of iron will align themselves in one direction and all the south poles of all the atoms of iron align themselves in a direction opposite to that to which their north poles point. As a result, iron piece gets magnetised.

(b) Bar magnets lose their magnetism when heated strongly. Due to heat energy, the kinetic energy of the molecules of a bar magnet increases. Thus from straight line molecular chains, they form closed molecular chains and hence, magnetism is lost.

(c) Steel makes better permanent magnet than soft iron because on magnetising steel, steel retain their magnetic behaviour for longer time even after the removal of source which is magnetising the steel.

While the soft iron retains the properties of magnetism only so long as the current is passing through the coil i.e. as long as the source which is magnetising the soft iron is present.

(d) In magnets, external fields like earth's magnetic field can randomize the domains. Perhaps stray fields caused by flowing currents in near by electric circuits can also disturb the alignment of domains lying inside a magnet. Given enough time, such magnets may find their domains randomly oriented and hence their net magnetisation may get lost. A keeper for magnets is just a strong permanent magnet that keeps all the domains pointing the same way and realign those that may have gone stray and hence magnet, can retain its magnetism for a long time.

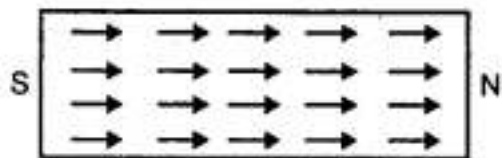
Question 7.

State briefly (a) the molecular theory of magnetism, (b) the modern views on magnetism.

Answer:

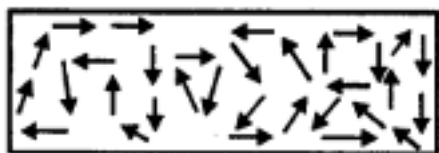
(a) Ewing suggested the molecular theory of magnetism as , follows:

1. Each molecule of a magnetic substance, whether it is magnetised or unmagnetised, is an independent magnet.
2. In a magnetised substance, the molecules are arranged in an order so as to produce an external effect. In this order, all the north poles of the molecules of the magnetised substances point to one direction and all their south poles point to a direction opposite to that to which their north poles points.



Magnetised substance

3. In an unmagnetised substance, the molecules are not arranged in any order, so they neutralise the magnetic forces of each other.



Unmagnetised substance

4. The molecular theory of magnetism was a considerable step forward but later there came an electrical explanation for the magnetism of atoms. Atoms consist of negatively charged particles (electrons) which revolve around the positively charged nucleus. Electrical current loops are formed in an atom due to the circulation of these electrons. Each current loop behaves a magnetic dipole and hence produce magnetic field. Also electrons are also spinning like tops and this adds further magnetism to the atom.

Question 8.

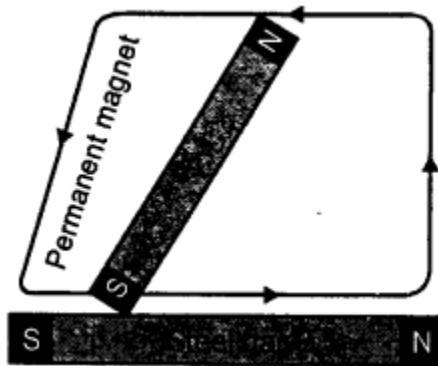
Describe various methods of magnetising a piece of iron.

Answer:

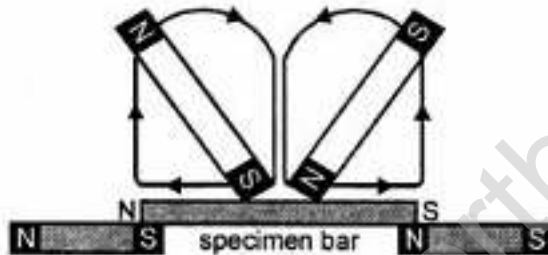
METHODS OF MAGNETISATION :

1. **Single Touch Method :** The specimen to be magnetised is placed flat on the table. A permanent bar magnet is taken and its one pole is placed on one end of the piece. The bar magnet is then drawn to the other end, keeping it in the inclined position as shown in figure. The permanent magnet is then lifted and the process is repeated several times. The specimen is then turned over and the other side is also magnetised in the same way.
The specimen gets magnetised. Its starting end gets the same polarity as the polarity of the magnet touching it. The polarity at the other end of the specimen is

opposite to that of the magnetising pole.



2. **Divided Touch Method:** The specimen to be magnetised is placed flat on a table. Opposite poles of two strong bar magnets of equal strength are placed together in the middle of the specimen. The ends of bar magnets are drawn towards the opposite ends of the specimen, keeping the bar magnets inclined as shown in figure. The magnets are then lifted. The operation is repeated several times

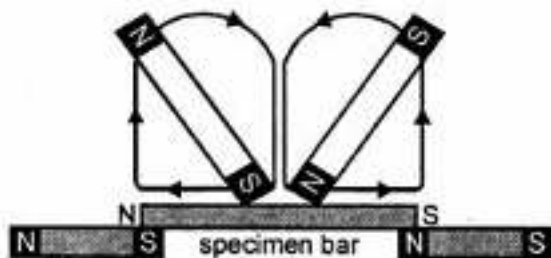


The specimen is then turned over and the other side is also magnetised in the same way. The end of the specimen where the south pole of the bar magnet leaves, becomes north pole. Similarly, the end of the specimen where the north pole of the bar magnet leaves, becomes south pole. For strong magnetisation, the two ends of the specimen are supported on the two poles of two other bar magnets, such that the pole of each magnet being the same as that of the stroking magnet over it.

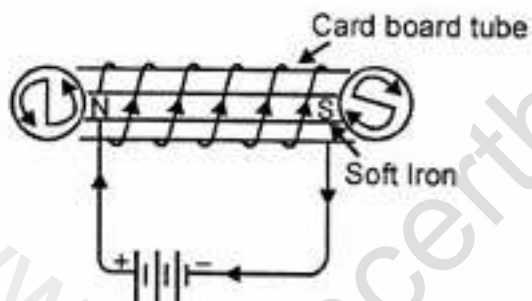
3. **Double Touch Method :** This method is almost similar to the divided touch method. The only difference is that a piece of wood or cork is placed between the two opposite poles of the permanent magnets. The magnets are then moved together from the middle to the one end and then to the other end without lifting them from the specimen as shown in figure. This process is repeated several times.

The polarities on the end of the specimen are of the opposite nature to that of the nearer poles of stroking magnets figure. For strong magnetisation, the specimen is mounted on two permanent bar magnets as mentioned in the divided touch

method.



4. **Electrical Method of Magnetisation :** The specimen to be magnetised is placed inside a long coil of insulated copper wire. A strong direct current is passed through the coil for some time, when the specimen is magnetised. If the specimen is a steel bar, it becomes a permanent magnet. However, if the specimen is a soft iron bar, it becomes a strong magnet, but it retains the properties of magnetism only so long as the current is passed through the coil. As soon as the current is stopped, it loses its magnetism. The magnet formed by the passage of electric current by using soft iron core is called electromagnet.



Question 9.

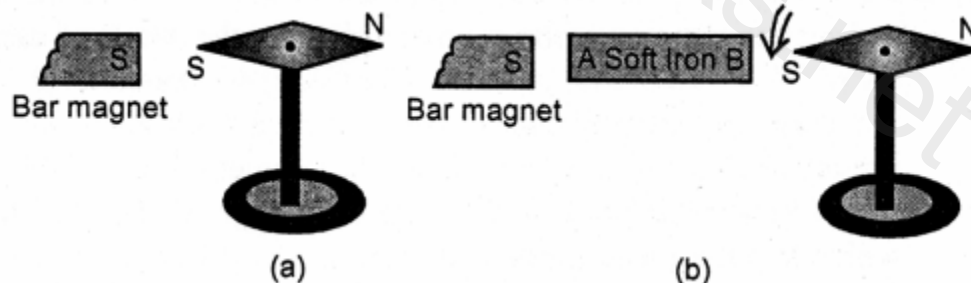
What is magnetic induction? Explain it giving a suitable experiment.

Answer:

Magnetic induction :

The Phenomenon due to which a piece of steel or iron behaves like a magnet when placed near a strong magnet is called magnetic induction.

Experiment : Take a freely suspended magnetic needle and bring near its south pole, the south end of a bar magnet. The needle gets longer affects the south and of magnetic needle as shown in figure (a).



Place a flat piece of iron AB, in between the bar magnet and magnetic needle. It is observed that south end of needle is repelled. Remove the iron piece AB. It is observed that needle comes back to its original position. Repeat the experiment, but remove bar magnet instead of iron piece. We will observe that needle does not get repelled and remains continuously in its original position.

From this experiment, it is clear that soft iron piece behaves as a magnet only when a bar magnet is placed near it, when a bar magnet is removed then soft iron piece loses its magnetism.

Question 10.

Repulsion is a surer test of magnetic condition of a body than attraction. Explain.

Answer:

Repulsion is the surest test of magnetism because the attraction can be caused between two unlike poles of the two magnets or between the magnet and magnetic substance such as iron, nickel etc. But repulsion is caused when two similar poles approach each other.

Question 11.

There are two knitting needles. One of them is magnetised. How will you find out which one is magnetised, if no other magnet is available?

Answer:

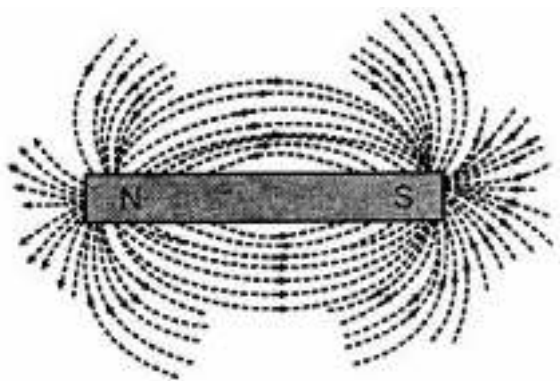
When an iron bar is magnetised, it slightly increases in length due to setting of molecular magnets along straight chains. So, on precisely measuring the length of knitting needle, the knitting needle which is slightly longer in length than other is magnetised.

Question 12.

Describe two methods of determining the arrangement of the lines of force in the field close to a bar magnet. Give a brief explanation of each method.

Answer:

First method : Place a card board on the top of a bar magnet and scatter some iron filings uniformly over the whole of card board. Now tap it with a pencil. The filings are magnetised by induction and arrange themselves in curved lines as shown in figure. The curved lines are called the magnetic lines of force which may be defined as the lines in a magnetic field along which free magnetic poles tend to be driven if free to do so.



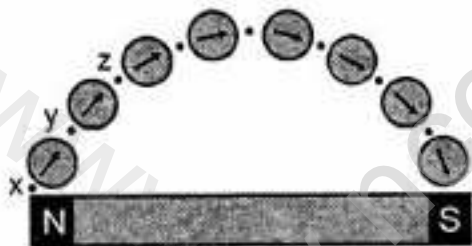
Second method : Lines of force can be traced on a paper by using tracing needle or small magnetic compass needle.

The bar magnet is placed on a sheet of paper and its boundary is drawn with a sharp pencil. A point X is marked along the boundary towards the north of the magnet.

The tracing needle is then placed at point X in such a way that its one end points towards the point X. With the help of pencil the direction of other end of needle is marked on paper. Let it be point Y.

Now, shift the needle from the point X and place it in such a way that its one end points towards the point Y. The direction of other end of needle is marked by pencil. Let it be point Z. The process is continued till a closed curve is obtained.

This curve is called magnetic line of force.



If we plot a number of such curves around the magnet, starting from different points then the space so enclosed is called magnetic field.

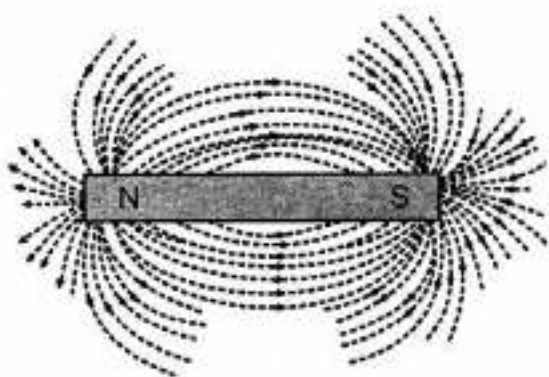
Question 13.

Draw diagrams showing the arrangements of the lines of force for:

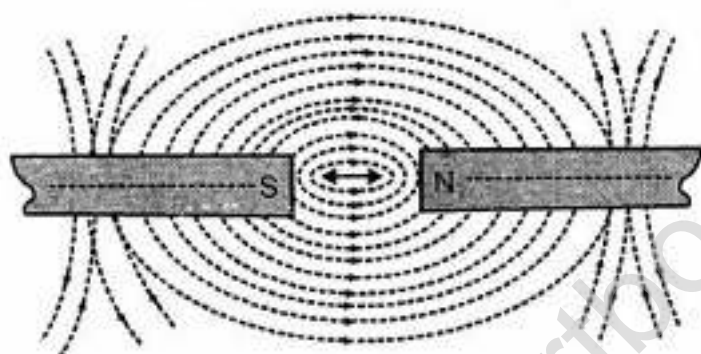
- a single magnet.
- two magnets in line, with unlike poles facing one another.
- a piece of soft iron laid in line with magnetic field.

Answer:

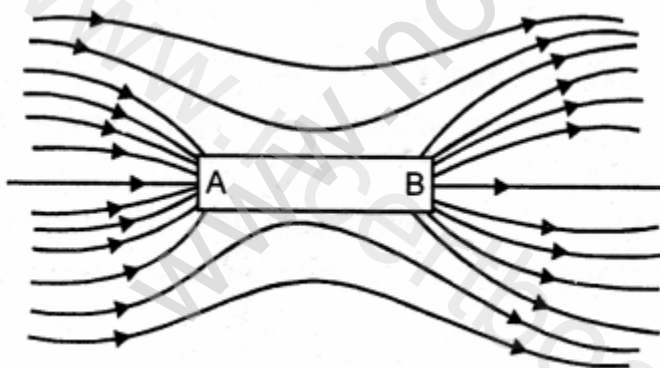
(a) Arrangement of the lines of force single magnet :



(b) Arrangement of lines of force for two magnets in line, with unlike poles facing one another :



(c) Arrangement of lines of force for a piece of soft iron laid in line with the magnetic field:



AB is a soft iron rod whose end A behaves as south pole and end B behaves a north pole when soft iron rod is placed in a line with magnetic field.

Question 14.

Give short account of the earth's magnetic field.

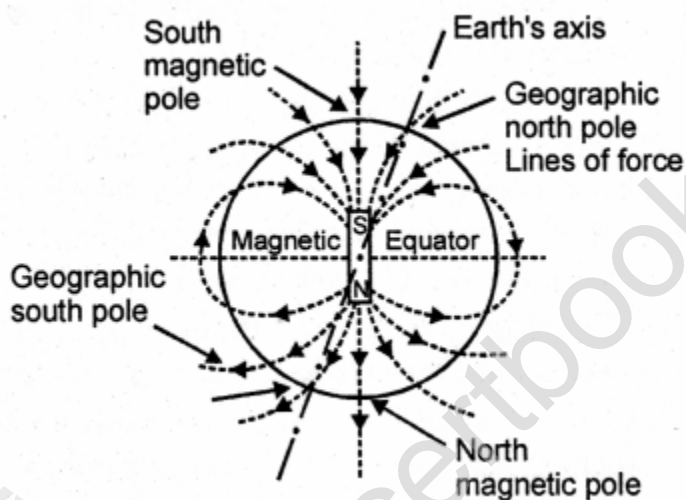
Answer:

When a bar magnet is suspended freely, then it aligns itself along geographical north-south direction i.e. north pole of the magnet points towards the geographical north and

south pole of the magnet points towards geographical south direction. William Gilbert suggest that earth itself behaves as a huge magnet. **It was assumed that:**

1. A huge magnet is buried at the centre of earth.
2. The south end of earth's magnet is towards the earth's geographic north and vice-versa.
3. The axis of earth's magnet is not in line with the geographical axis, but makes a small angle with it.

The diagram on next page show the earth as a magnet and the magnetic lines of force around it



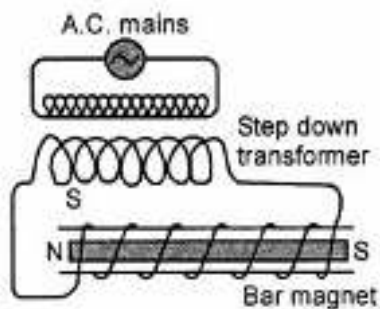
Question 15.

Give the various methods for demagnetising a magnet.

Answer:

1. **A magnet can be demagnetised by any of the following methods:**

Electrical Method : An insulated copper coil is wound around a card board tube and inside it is placed a permanent bar magnet. The coil is placed in East-West direction and its ends are connected to a step-down transformer. The alternating current is switched on for one minute, then the bar magnet gets demagnetised.



Reason : When the current rapidly changes the direction in the insulated copper coil, the polarity set up in the coil also rapidly changes. This in turn acts inductively on the bar magnet, whose molecular magnets rapidly try to align themselves with the changing magnetic polarity. Thus, molecular magnets form closed chains and hence, the bar magnet gets demagnetised.

2. **By Rough Handling :** When a magnet is rough-handled (i.e. it is allowed to drop repeatedly) or hammered, it gets completely demagnetised.

Reason : In a bar magnet the molecular magnets are arranged in straight line chains. On hammering or rough handling, they gain kinetic energy and vibrate rapidly about their mean positions. In doing so they form closed magnetic chains and hence, the magnetism is lost.

3. **By Heating :** When a magnet is heated to red hot temperature and then allowed to cool, it loses its magnetism. **Reason :** Due to heat energy, the kinetic energy of the molecules increases. Thus, from straight line molecular chains, they form closed molecular chains and hence, the magnetism is lost.

4. **By Induction :** When a given magnet is placed in contact with another similar magnet (i.e., the other magnet should be of same strength), such that their similar poles are facing each others then both the magnets get demagnetised in a couple of days.

Reason: It is because both the magnets will induce opposite polarity in each other. In doing so the molecular magnets in each magnet form closed molecular chains and hence, they get demagnetised.

5. **By Self-Induction :** A single bar magnet has a tendency to lose its magnetism.

Reason : In a bar magnet the molecular magnets (dipoles) are arranged in straight line chains. However, two or more parallel chains have their north and south poles facing each other. Thus, dipoles act inductively on each other and hence, turn to form closed molecular chains. Thus, single bar magnet gets demagnetised.

Question 16.

Describe two simple experiments to support the statement that magnetism is a property of the molecules of a magnet.

Answer: Magnetism is a property of molecules of a magnet.

Experiment-1 : Take a bar magnet and break it into as small parts as possible. We shall find that each small part retain the original polarity i.e. even the smallest part of the magnet has its own north and south pole and can attract the magnetic substances. It shows that, if it were possible to break a magnet into its molecules then each molecule would retain the property of a magnet.

Experiment-2 : Take a soft iron bar. Place it in a magnetic field. We shall find that there is small increase in its length on getting magnetised.

A soft iron bar becomes magnetised and get lengthened only if each molecule of soft

iron bar behave as a magnet. Due to setting of molecular magnets along straight chains, there is slight increase in length of soft iron bar. So we can say that magnetism is a property of molecules of a magnet.

Question 17.

Explain, why steel is used in preference to soft iron for making permanent magnets while soft iron is used in preference to steel for making electromagnets.

Answer:

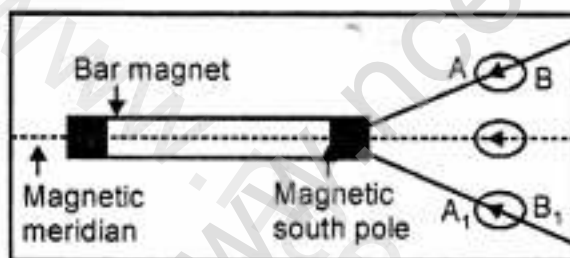
Steel is used in preference to soft iron for making permanent magnets because steel acts as a magnet, even on the removal of inducing magnet and also steel has a very high retention. Soft iron is used in preference to steel for making permanent magnets because soft iron behave like magnet as long as there is an inducing magnet and also soft iron has a very poor magnetic retention.

Question 18.

Describe, how you will proceed to determine the position of the pole of a bar magnet.

Answer:

Fix a white sheet of paper on a wooden drawing board and in the middle of it draw a straight line. On the straight line place a magnetic needle. Turn the drawing board in the clockwise or anticlockwise direction, till the magnetic needle is in line with



line drawn on drawing board. At this point drawing board is in magnetic meridian.

Remove the magnetic needle.

Place a bar magnet such that its axis coincides with this line. Mark the outline of the magnet with a pencil. Place the compass needle near one end of the bar magnet. In this position, the action of the earth's field is ineffective in deflecting the needle and the compass needle is acted on by the nearest pole only. Mark the two ends of the needle by two dots A and B as shown in figure.

Change the position of the compass needle and repeat the process. Join the two marks A, B and A₁, B₁ by straight lines. It will be found that the straight lines, when produced, intersect at a point near the end of the magnet. This point of intersection indicates the position of the magnetic pole. Similarly, the other pole may be ascertained in the same way as described above. The length between the two poles is called the effective length of the magnet which is found to be about 0.84 times the actual length of the magnet.

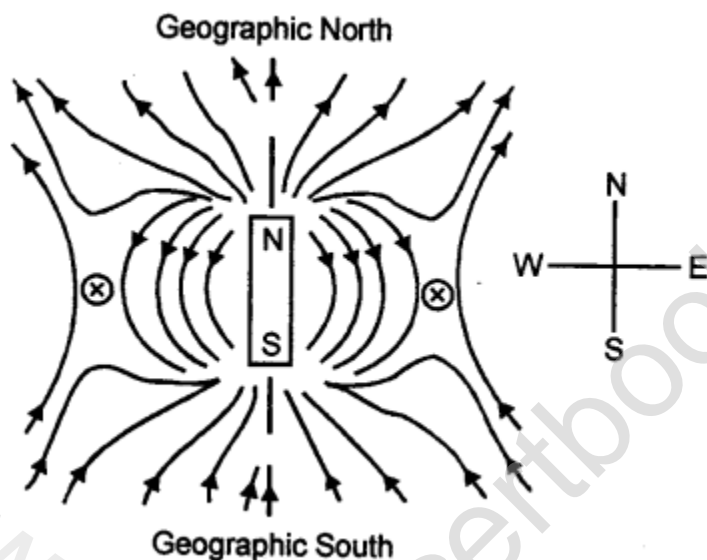
Question 19.

Draw lines of force surrounding a bar magnet when it is placed in the magnetic meridian with its

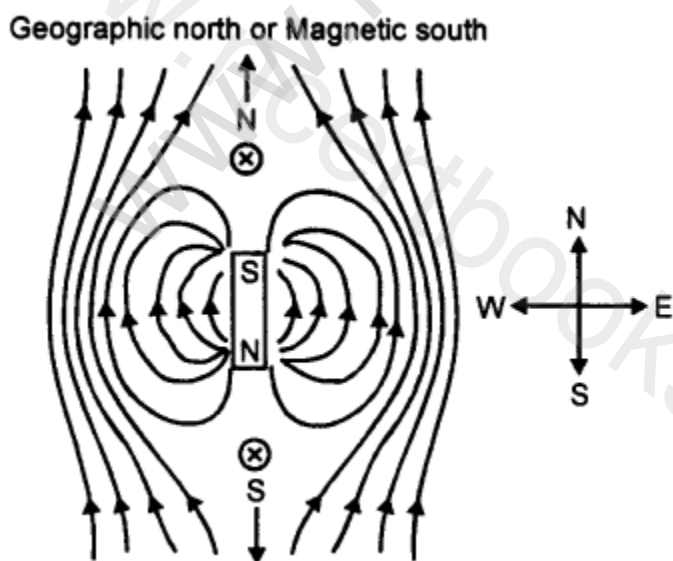
- (a) north pole pointing geographic, north
- (b) north pole pointing geographic south.

Answer:

- (a) Bar magnet placed in magnetic meridian with its north pole pointing geographic north.

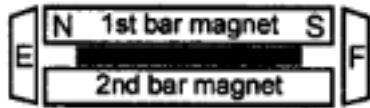


- (b) Bar magnet placed in magnetic meridian with its north pole pointing geographic south.



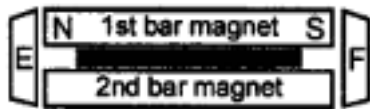
Bar magnets are often stored in pair as shown in the figure. E and F being pieces of metal.

1. Name the metal used for E and F.
2. Why are E and F placed in contact with the poles of the magnets as shown in the diagram?
3. Mark on the diagram the poles of the second magnet,
4. What is the material of darkened part?



Answer:

1. Soft iron is used for E and F.
2. E and F are placed in contact with the poles of magnets to preserve the strength of magnet.

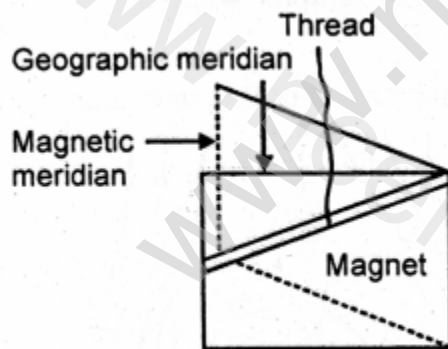


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4. Darkened part is a non-magnetic material like wood.

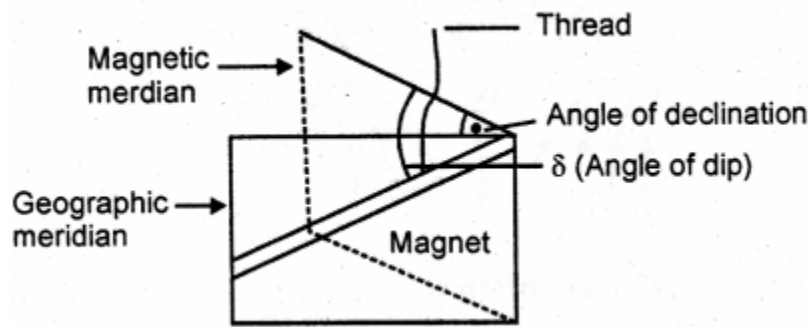
Question 21.

The figure shows a freely suspended magnet in rest position. Copy the diagram and on it show :

- (a) Angle of declination
- (b) Angle in dip



Answer:



Question 22.

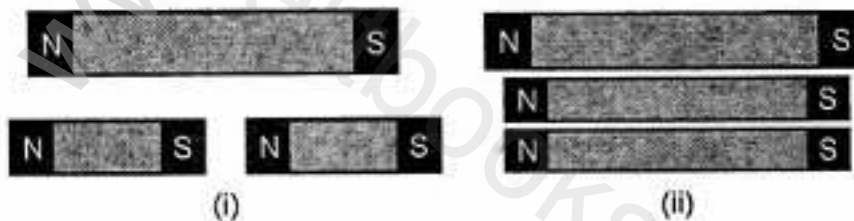
- (a) Since every iron atom is a tiny magnet, why are not all iron bar magnets?
- (b) If a magnet is carefully broken into two pieces as shown in figure (i), how does the magnetic strength of each piece compare with that of original magnet? If another magnet is carefully broken in half along its long axis shown in figure (ii), how would the strength of each piece compare with that of original magnet?

Answer:

(a) Each molecule of a magnetic substance is an independent magnet. But in an unmagnetised iron piece, molecular/ atoms (tiny magnets) are not arranged in any order and hence they naturalise the magnetic forces of each other As a result, any unmagnetised iron piece can not behave as a magnet.

(b)

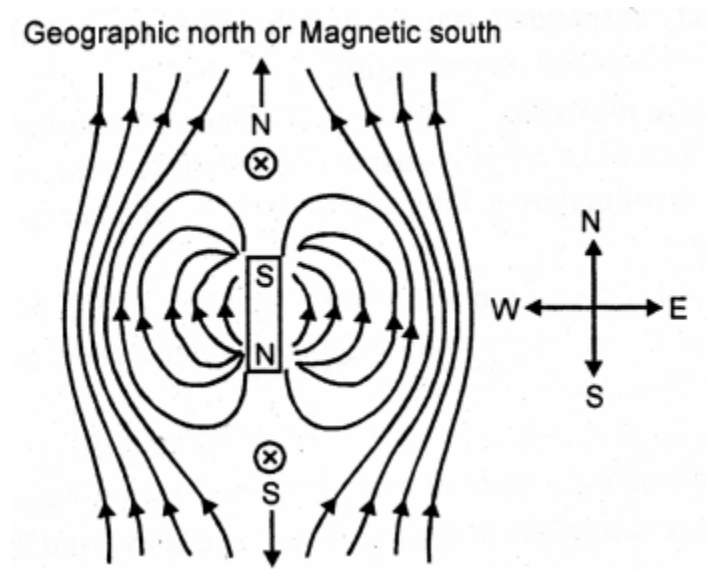
1. When a magnet is cut into two equal parts as shown in figure (i), then pole strength of each piece remains same as that of original magnet.
2. When a magnet is cut into two equal parts as shown in figure (ii), then pole strength of each pole is half as that of the pole strength of original magnet.



Question 23.

Draw the magnetic flux pattern near a bar magnet placed with its axis in the magnetic meridian and the south pole pointing towards geographic north.

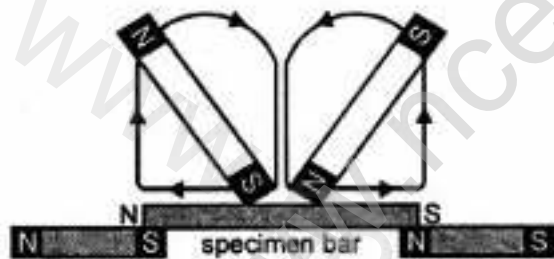
Answer:



Question 24.

Draw a clearly labelled diagram, to show how a steel bar is magnetised by a divided touch method. A written description is not required.

Answer:



Question 25.

Define the terms magnetic declination and dip with reference to freely suspended magnet.

- (a) What do you understand by the terms magnetic meridian and geographic meridian?
- (b) At what places on the earth will the angle of dip be (1) maximum and (2) minimum?

Answer:

Magnetic declination : The angle through which freely suspended magnetic needle is inclined to the geographic axis is known as magnetic declination.

OR

The angle between the geographic meridian and magnetic meridian at a given place is called declination.

Magnetic dip : The angle between the horizontal axis passing through a freely suspended magnet and the direction of earth's magnetic field is called magnetic dip.

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Geographic meridian : The vertical plane which contains geographic north and south pole of earth at a given place is called geographic meridian.

(b) The angle of dip is maximum i.e. 90° at the magnetic poles. The angle of dip is minimum i.e. 0° at the magnetic equator.

Question 26.

(a) What are magnetic keepers? What are they used for?

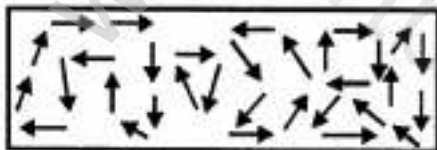
(b) Explain the 'molecular theory' of magnetism with the help of a diagram.

Answer:

(a) Magnetic keeper : A magnetic keeper is a ferromagnetic bar made from soft iron or steel, which is placed across the poles of a permanent magnet. Magnetic keepers are used to preserve the strength of the magnet by completing the magnetic circuit.

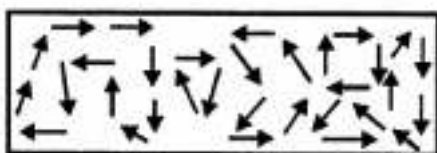
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Magnetic dip : The angle between the horizontal axis passing through freely suspended magnet and the direction of earth's magnetic field is called magnetic dip.

(a) Magnetic meridian : The vertical plane containing the magnetic axis of a freely suspended magnet at rest, under the action of magnetic intensity of earth is called magnetic meridian.

Geographic meridian: The vertical plane which contains geographic north and south pole of earth at a given place is called geographic meridian.

(b) The angle of dip is maximum i. e. 90° at the magnetic poles. The angle of dip is minimum i.e. 0° at the magnetic equator.

Question 28.

(a) Explain the mechanism by which unmagnetised iron nails get attracted to a magnet when brought near it.

(b) State any two properties of magnet.

Answer:

(a) Every atom of an iron nail behaves as a tiny magnet. Due to the random orientations of these tiny magnets, iron nail does not behave as a magnet.

But when iron nail is placed near a magnet, then due to induced magnetism, all the atoms (tiny magnets) align themselves in a particular direction. As a result, the end of the iron nail nearer to magnet acquires the opposite polarity and hence get attracted towards the magnet.

(b) Properties of a magnet :

1. Freely suspended magnet always align itself in the geographic north and geographic south direction.
2. Like poles of magnets repel each other while unlike poles attract.