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# Method for determining the overall dimensions of an induction control support

**Abstract.** Measuring instruments, force transducers, control devices and various electromechanical equipment are characterized by high accuracy based on control induction supports. As in any electrical equipment, magnetic and copper losses are an undesirable factor, since this reduces the stability of the input-output characteristic and the quality factor, and increases errors. With known dimensions of magnetic conductivity and windings of the control induction winding, as well as physical and technical characteristics for known values of temperature rises, parameters can be calculated. In the presented work, expressions for size ratios are considered.

**Streszczenie.** Mierniki, siłowniki, urządzenia sterujące i różnego rodzaju elektromechaniczne urządzenia charakteryzują się wysoką dokładnością opartą na wspornikach indukcyjnych. W każdym urządzeniu elektrycznym, straty magnetyczne i miedziowe są niepożądanym czynnikiem, ponieważ zmniejszają one stabilność charakterystyki wejściowo-wyjściowej i współczynnik jakości, a także zwiększają błędy. Przy znanych wymiarach przewodności magnetycznej i uzwojeń cewki indukcyjnej sterującej, a także cechach fizycznych i technicznych dla znanych wartości podwyższenia temperatury, parametry mogą być obliczone. W niniejszej pracy rozważone są wyrażenia na stosunki wymiarów.

**Key words:** overall dimensions, methodology, definition, calculation, induction support, control, winding, stability, input-output characteristic, coefficient, quality, levitation element, control.

**Słowa kluczowe:** wymiary gabarytowe, metodologia, definicja, obliczenia, wspomaganie indukcyjne, sterowanie, uzwojenie, stabilność, charakterystyka wejścia-wyjścia, współczynnik, jakość, element lewitacyjny, sterowanie.

## Introduction

The formulation of the problem taking into account the minimization of losses is associated with difficulties in determining mathematical expressions for losses. In this case, it is necessary to take into account the relationships between the parameters of the windings, magnetic circuit and temperature. In these relationships, both active and reactive magnetic resistances of copper sections are taken into account. With a stepped design of the magnetic circuit of the control support, in mathematical expressions the coefficient of the socket where the field winding is located is  $n_c = c'/c$ , and the ratio of the height of the windings is  $k_{12} = h_1/h_2$ . The overall dimensions of the control support A, B, H depend on these ratios. To take into account the restrictions imposed on overall dimensions, it is necessary to take into account the range of changes in the coefficients  $n_c$ ,  $k_{12}$ . Losses also depend on the coefficients  $n_c$ ,  $k_{12}$ . Therefore, to minimize losses, it is necessary to solve the problems of determining the ratio of overall dimensions, the range of changes in magnetic conductivity and dimensions, the dependence of losses on dimensions, the dependence of copper losses in windings on winding dimensions and temperature rises [8-16].

The overall dimensions A, B, H of control supports for various purposes are subject to certain restrictions, which are determined by the size of the gaps for the placement of these devices. Overall dimensions A, B, H depend on the dimensions of the magnetic circuit, the geometric dimensions of the excitation winding and the levitation element [7-10].

The dimensions of the magnetic circuit a, b, c, H<sub>c</sub> depend on the induction in the B<sub>M</sub> core, the condition of uniformity of the magnetic field of the working air gap  $m_a = 2 \div 6$ ,  $m_c = 2 \div 6$ , the dimensions of the excitation winding ( $h_1 \cdot c_1$ ), the dimensions of the levitation element ( $h_2 \cdot c_2$ ) and the progress of the  $x_p$ . The working stroke  $x_p$ , for windings exceeding permissible temperatures ( $\tau_1 \cdot \tau_2$ ) are specified. The dimensions of the windings must satisfy the specified temperature exceedings, restrictions on overall dimensions and working stroke. Based on the research carried out,

depending on the purpose of the devices, the ratios of overall dimensions can be in three options [2-6].

## Statement and solution of the problem.

Option 1. The height of the induction levitator H is much greater than the width A,  $H/A \gg 1$ . In this case,  $A/B > 1$ . As a result, for the dimensions of the field winding socket we have the following ratios:  $h/c \gg 1$  and  $c'/c > 1$ . For this reason, for the levitation element:  $h_2/c_2 \gg 1$ . This ratio must correspond to maintaining a constant cross section of the levitation element  $S_{02} = h_2 \cdot c_2$ , since the specified temperature rise  $\tau_2$  depends on the ampere turns  $F_2$ , current density  $j_2$  and cross section  $S_{02}$ .

$$\text{Option 1. } \frac{H}{A} \gg 1; \frac{A}{B} > 1; \frac{h}{c'} \gg 1; \frac{c'}{c} > 1; \frac{h_2}{c_2} \gg 1$$

Similarly for the other two options:

$$\text{Option 2. } \frac{H}{A} < 1; \frac{A}{B} > 1; \frac{h}{c'} \ll 1; \frac{c'}{c} \gg 1; \frac{h_2}{c_2} \gg 1$$

$$\text{Option 3. } \frac{H}{A} \geq 1; \frac{A}{B} > 1; \frac{h}{c'} \geq 1; \frac{c'}{c} > 1; \frac{h_2}{c_2} > 1$$

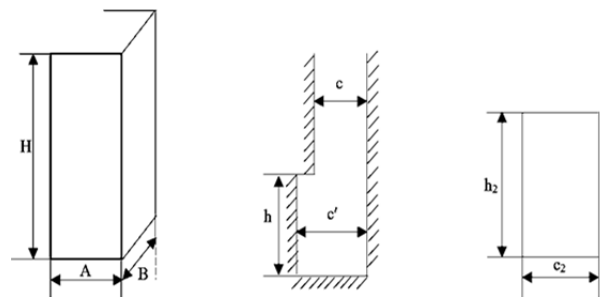


Fig. 1. Size ratio diagrams (for option 1).

For option 1, the dimensional relationships mainly relate to the measurement of the static force  $P_x$ , which exerts an external influence on the levitation element in the vertical direction, or to tracking systems and force transducers used for control. For option 2, the size ratios refer to actuators, control supports, and other equipment. The size ratios for option 3 belong to current stabilizers, traction regulators and other devices.

Overall dimensions depend on the socket coefficient  $n_c = c'/c$ , where the excitation winding is located. For a non-stepped magnetic circuit  $c'=c$  and  $n_c = 1$ . In this case, the height of the magnetic circuit is large  $H$ . Therefore, the overall dimensions depend on the coefficients  $m_a$ ,  $m_c$ ,  $n_c$ ,  $k_{12}$ ,  $n_{e1}$ ,  $n_{e2}$ . Figure 1 shows size ratio diagrams for option 1. Overall dimensions through the indicated coefficients can be expressed as [1,17-19]:

$$(1) \quad A = 4a + 2c' = c \left( n_c + 4 \frac{m_c}{m_a} \right)$$

$$(2) \quad B = b + 2c' = c \left( m_c + 2 \frac{n_c}{n_{01}} \right) + 4\Delta_k$$

$$(3) \quad H = h_1 + h_2 + 2a + x_p = x_p + 2c \frac{m_c}{m_a} + c \cdot n_{e1} \left( 1 - n_{01} + n_c + \frac{n_{e2}}{n_{e1} n_{02}} \right)$$

where

$$(4) \quad a = c \frac{m_c}{m_a} \frac{n_{e2}}{n_{e1}} = \frac{n_{01}}{k_{12} n_c n_{02}} \approx \frac{1}{k_{12} \cdot n_c}$$

$$(5) \quad n_{01} = \frac{c}{c_1} = \frac{c_1 + 2\Delta_k}{c_1} \approx 0.1;$$

$$n_{02} = n_{01} = \frac{c}{c_2} = \frac{c_2 + 2\Delta_0}{c_2} \approx 0.1$$

$$(6) \quad h_1 + h_2 = c \cdot n_{e1} \left( n_c - \frac{2\Delta_k}{c} + \frac{n_{e2}}{n_{e1} n_{02}} \right);$$

$$\frac{2\Delta_k}{c} = n_{01} - 1$$

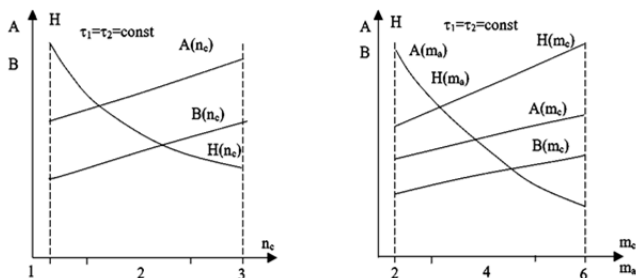


Fig. 2. Dependences of overall dimensions on coefficients  $n_c$ ,  $m_a$ ,  $m_c$ .

As can be seen from expressions (1) – (6), to reduce the overall dimensions  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $H$ , it is necessary to reduce the working air gap  $c$  and the coefficient  $m_c$ . As the coefficient  $n_c$  increases, the overall dimensions  $A$  and  $B$  increase. With the coefficient  $m_a$  increasing, the overall dimensions  $A$  and

$H$  decrease. Therefore, to eliminate the excess height  $H$  of the levitator, it is necessary to increase the coefficient  $n_c$  and reduce the levitation constant  $n_{e2}$  (Fig.2) [1,19-22].

## Conclusions

To take into account the range of changes in the coefficients  $n_c$ ,  $k_{12}$ , it is necessary to take into account the restrictions on overall dimensions. Losses also depend on the specified coefficients, therefore, to minimize losses, it is necessary to solve problems such as:

- determining the ratio of overall dimensions,
- the range of changes in specific magnetic conductivity and dimensions,
- as well as the dependence of losses in windings on dimensions, magnetic conductivity and temperature rises.

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