TriM  – Measurement of the Magnetic Moment $M_m$

In most applications permanent magnets shall provide a specific magnetic flux (e. g. in electric machines) or a specific spatial field distribution (e. g. sensors). The decisive factor is the magnetic moment $M_m$ and not only the remanent induction of the magnet.

$TriM$ stands for measurement of the magnetic moment and allows the fast and cost-effective determination of $M_m$ as well as further characteristic values. The measuring system is offered including Helmholtz coils, Fluxmeter and user-friendly software.

Fields of application

/ Precise rating of series deliveries by the calculation of the working point polarization $J_r'$ from the volume according to equation (1)

/ Measurement of magnets with bent or untreated pole faces or broken edges ($M_m$ is calculated from the volume via weight and specific density)

/ Calibration of Permagraph measurements of high energy density magnets (SmCo, NdFeB)

/ Precise calculation of the remanent induction $B_r$ via the permanent permeability $\mu_p$

/ Calculation of the grade of saturation after magnetization (Has the magnet been fully magnetized? Has the magnet been partially demagnetized?)

/ Rating of the coercivity $H_{cJ}$ of the magnetic material after exposure to different temperatures in the sheared condition
Description of the device

The magnetic moment can be calculated from the working point polarization $J'$ and the volume $V$ of the permanent magnet:

$$M_m = J' * V / \mu_0$$  \hspace{1cm} (1)

Our device TriM determines $M_m$ in a Helmholtz coil in combination with a Fluxmeter. The magnetized magnet is placed in the center with the magnetization direction parallel to the coil axis. Taking off the magnet or rotating the magnet by 180° excites a flux change $\Delta \Phi$ which induces a voltage $u(t) = -d\Phi/dt$ in the coils. The Fluxmeter integrates the flux change independent of the rate of change.

The magnetic moment is calculated from the measured flux change $\Delta \Phi$ multiplied with the Helmholtz constant $k_H$ [cm], which depends on the number of turns and the winding geometry.

$$M_m \sim k_H * \Delta \Phi / \mu_0$$  \hspace{1cm} (2)

The precise measurement of the magnetic moment allows the evaluation of the quality of permanent magnets without time consuming and expensive measuring technology like vibration magnetometers or a Permagraph.
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