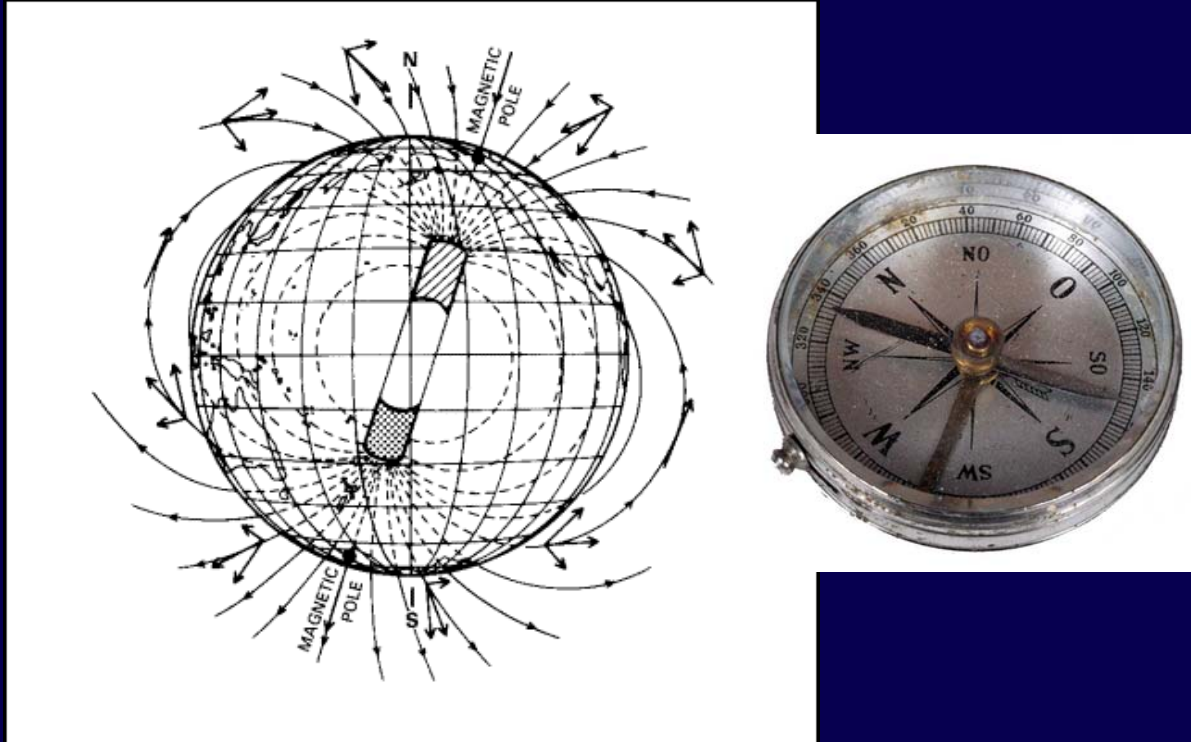




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Construct a device based on a compass needle to measure the Earth's Magnetic Field.

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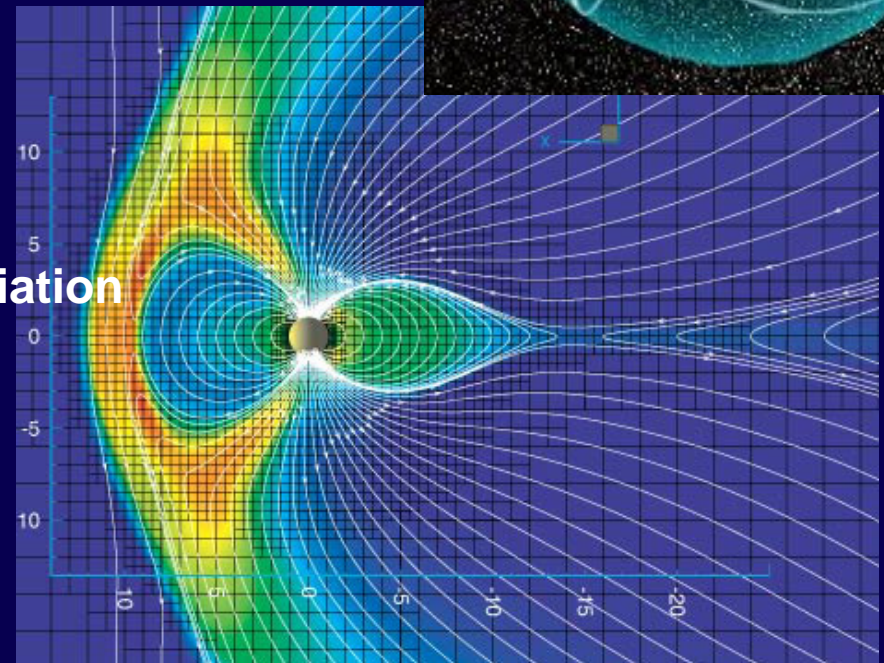
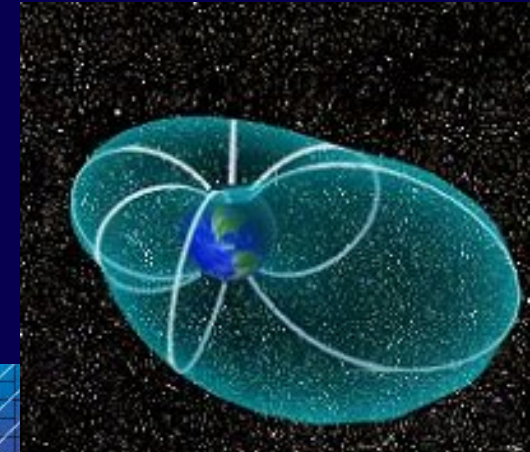
Introduction

➤ The importance

- Superficial
- Exterior Field (Van Allen Belt)

➤ How to measure it

- Using the magnetic needle deviation
- Using the charge deviation
- Using a rotating coil





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The Method

❖ Mathematical Model

➤ Vectorial sum of two fields

- #1: Earth's Magnetic Field
- #2: A field of known intensity and direction

➤ Biot-Savart Law

- Intensity and direction the magnetic field in a coil



Linear relation between the current in a coil and the tangent of the deflection angle.

❖ Practice

➤ Electric Circuit

➤ Data acquisition (current and deflection angle)

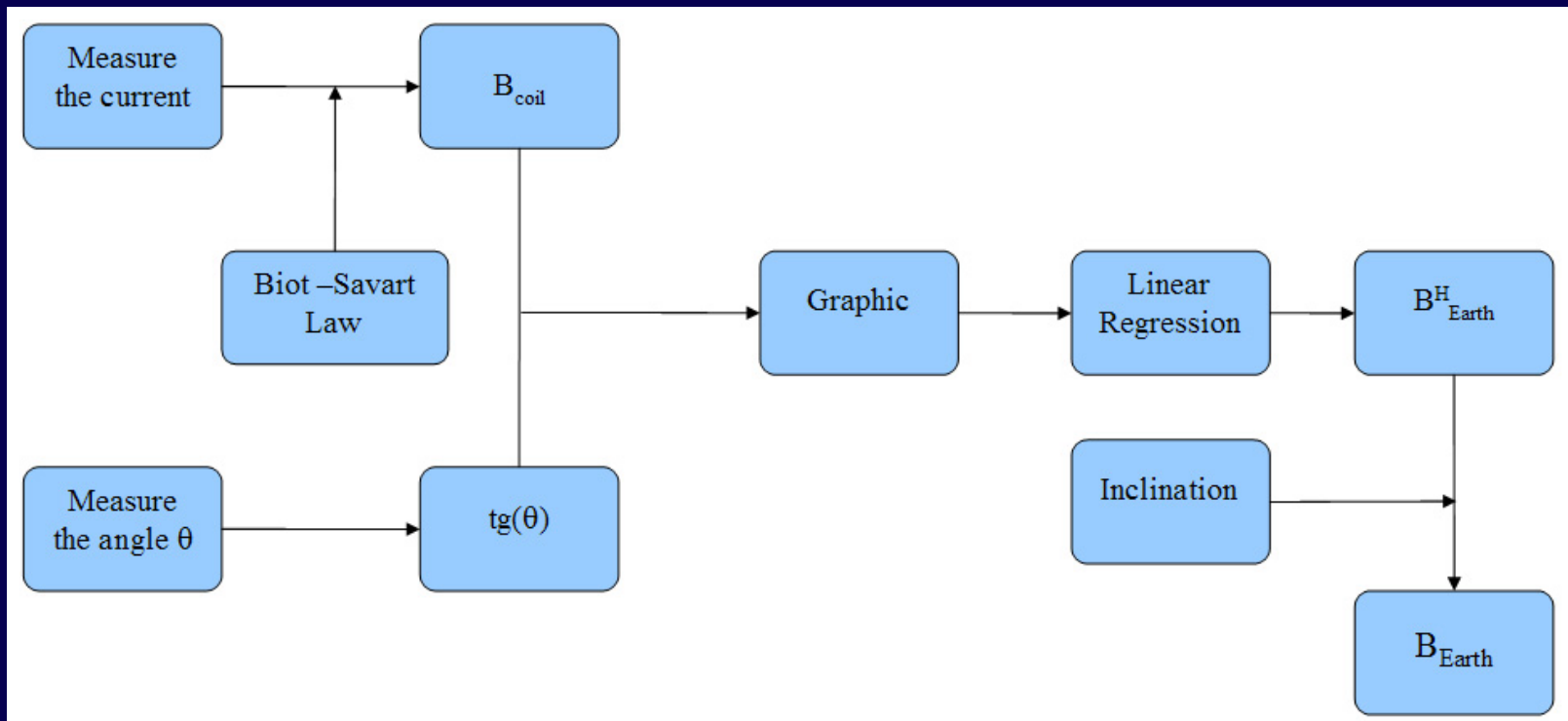
➤ Linear regression

➤ Final value of the Earth's magnetic field



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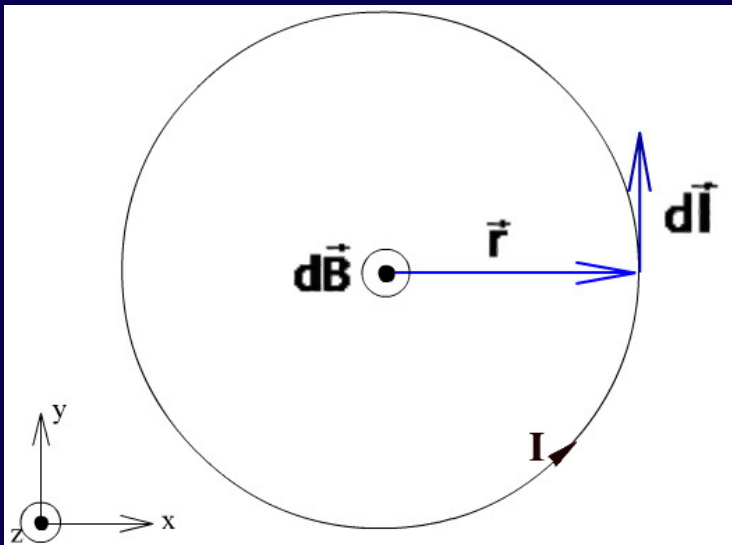




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Development - Theory

- Deviation
- Biot-Savart Law



$$\left(90 \cdot \frac{\mu_0}{2r} \right) \cdot I = \left\| B_{\text{Earth}_H} \right\| \cdot \text{tg} \theta$$

$$\left\| B_{\text{Earth}} \right\| = \frac{\left\| B_{\text{Earth}_H} \right\|}{\text{COS } \alpha}$$



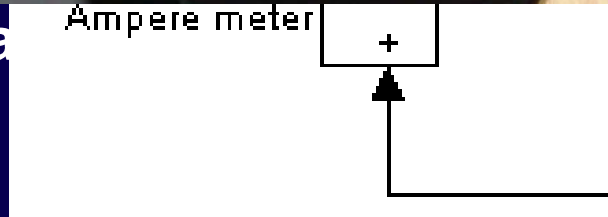
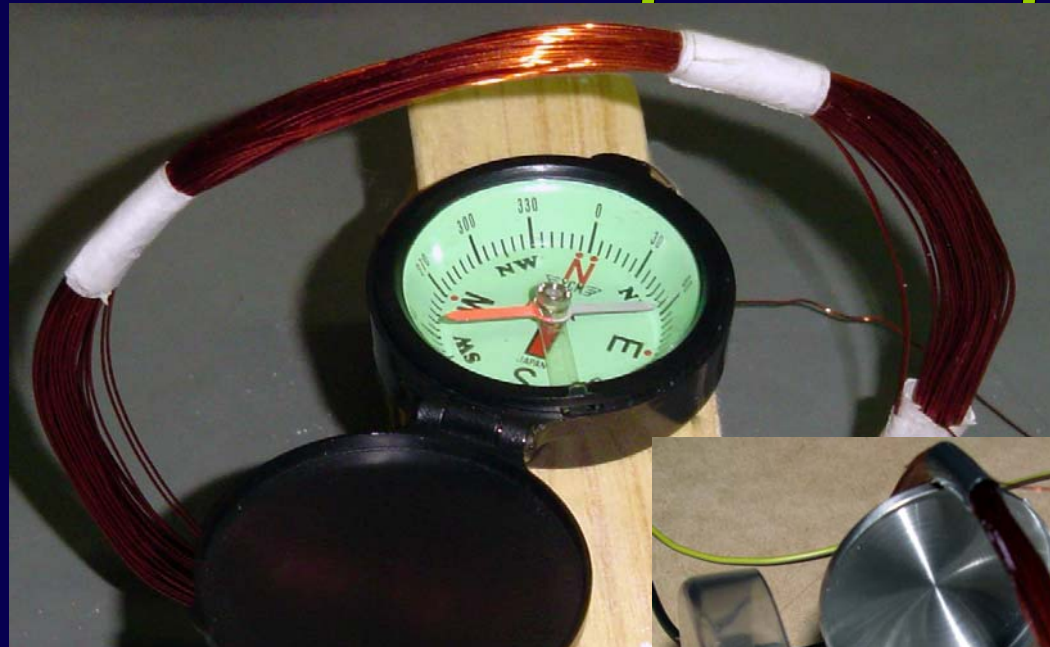
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Development - Experiment

➤ Materials

➤ Set up

➤ Collected Data



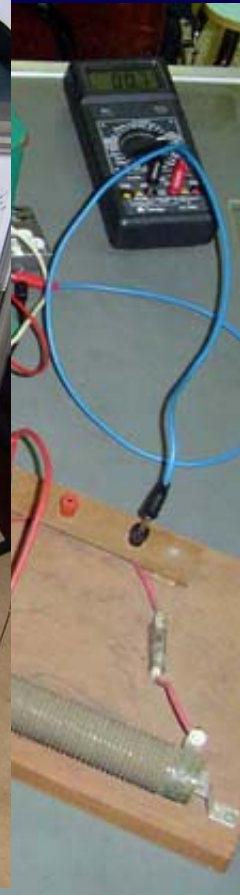


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Development - Experiment

➤ Photos

➤ [Video](#)





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Development - Data Analysis

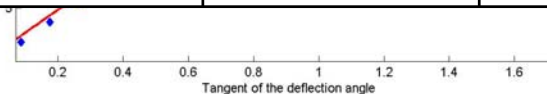
Table of Data (increase of current)

Current (I) [mA]	Angle (θ) [°]	tg θ	Magnetic Field of the Coil (B_{coil}) [μT]	Horizontal component of the Earth's Magnetic Field (B_{EarthH}) [μT]
1,6	5	0,087	1,645	18,803
2,8	10	0,176	2,878	16,326
4,8	15	0,268	4,935	18,418
8,2	20	0,364	8,430	23,163
12,0	25	0,466	12,337	26,458
15,0	30	0,577	15,422	26,712
17,0	35	0,700	17,478	24,962
19,0	40	0,839	19,534	23,281
21,0	45	1,000	21,591	21,591
25,0	50	1,192	27,703	21,568
29,0	55	1,428	29,816	20,877
32,0	60	1,732	32,901	18,995

➤ Tables

➤ Graphics

➤ Final Result



deflection angle



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Experiment - Error Sources

- **Other Magnetic Sources and interference in the Net Field**
- **The Geometry of the model**
 - **Magnetic needle is an extensive body**
 - **Geometric center of the coil**
- **Imprecisions in the measurement of the angle and current**
- **Friction in the magnetic needle**
- **Parallaxes**



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Conclusion

➤ Comparison with a theoretical value

$$\|B_{ET}\| = 23,18 \mu T$$

$$\|B_{ET}\| = 23 \mu T$$

$$\|B_{ET}\| = 24,46 \mu T$$

➤ Good theoretical model

