

# Alternating Current Generator



Coil of  $N$  turns and cross-sectional area  $A$  rotating with angular frequency  $\omega$  in uniform magnetic field  $\vec{B}$ .

- Angle between area vector and magnetic field vector:  $\theta = \omega t$ .
- Flux through coil:  $\Phi_B = NBA \cos(\omega t)$ .
- Induced EMF:  $\mathcal{E} = -\frac{d\Phi_B}{dt} = \mathcal{E}_{max} \sin(\omega t)$  with amplitude  $\mathcal{E}_{max} = NBA\omega$ .
- U.S. household outlet values:
  - $\mathcal{E}_{max} = 120V\sqrt{2} \simeq 170V$
  - $f = 60\text{Hz}$ ,  $\omega = 2\pi f \simeq 377\text{rad/s}$ .

