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## Magnetostatics (cont'd)

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J}$$

differential equations

of magnetostatics

used  $\vec{B} = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}$

and Coulomb gauge

$$(\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A} = 0)$$

to write

$$\nabla^2 \vec{A} = -\mu_0 \vec{J}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{A}(\vec{x}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int d^3x' \frac{\vec{J}(\vec{x}')}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int d^3x' \frac{\vec{J}(\vec{x}') \times (\vec{x} - \vec{x}')}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|^3}$$

Biot & Savart Law

relativistically, in Lorenz gauge ( $\partial_\mu A^\mu = 0$ ),

Maxwell equ's become

$$\square A^\mu = \frac{4\pi}{c} J^\mu$$

$\Rightarrow$  statics is

$$\nabla^2 A^\mu = -\frac{4\pi}{c} J^\mu$$

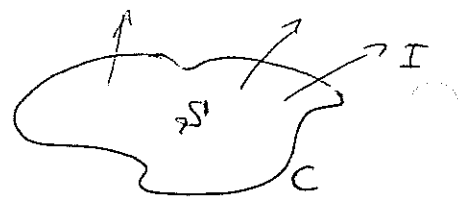
(Gauss units)

$\mu = 0 \Rightarrow$  electrostatics

$\mu = i \Rightarrow$  magnetostatics

To derive an analogy of Gauss's law, integrate

$$\int_S da \hat{n} \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{B}) = \oint_C \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{\ell} \quad \text{(Stokes's theorem)}$$

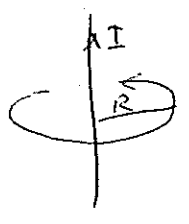


$$\mu_0 \int_S da \hat{n} \cdot \vec{J} \Rightarrow \oint_C \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{\ell} = \mu_0 \int_S da \hat{n} \cdot \vec{J} = \mu_0 I$$

Ampere's law

$I_{total}$  current through the loop.

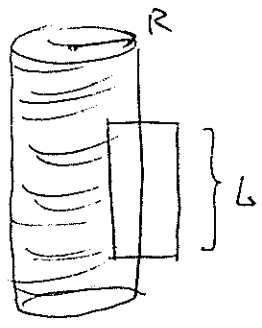
Example: find  $\vec{B}$  of a straight wire carrying current  $I$ :



$$B \cdot 2\pi R = \mu_0 I \Rightarrow B = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi R}$$

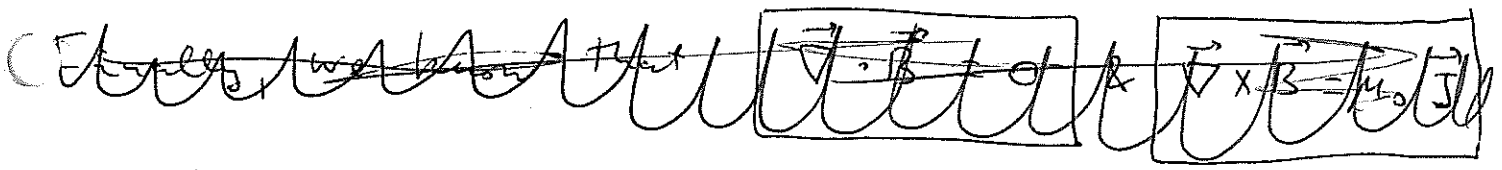
(cf. with what we found using Biot-Savart law earlier)

Example: infinite solenoid,  $N$  coils per unit length:



$$B_{in} \cdot L = \mu_0 I \cdot N \cdot L \Rightarrow B_{in} = \mu_0 I N$$

uniform magnetic field inside!  
 $B_{out} = 0.$



outside:  $B_\phi = 0$   $B_r = 0$

$\Rightarrow B_\theta(r) = 0$

Forces: Ampere's Law.

The force on a current element  $I, d\vec{l}_1$  due to magnetic field  $\vec{B}$  is  $d\vec{F} = I, d\vec{l}_1 \times \vec{B}$

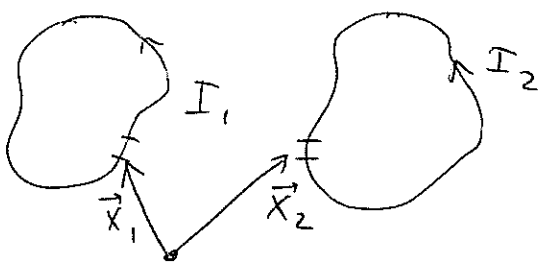
For a point charge  $q$  moving with velocity  $\vec{v}$

write  $\vec{F} = q \vec{v} \times \vec{B}$  (Lorentz force)

$\Rightarrow$  as  $q\vec{v} \rightarrow I d\vec{l} \Rightarrow$  get

Imagine two loops of current: the force on

loop #1 due to loop #2 is



$$\vec{F}_{12} = I_1 \int d\vec{l}_1 \times \vec{B}_2$$

Due to Biot & Savart law,  $\vec{B}_2 = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} I_2 \int \frac{d\vec{l}_2 \times \vec{X}_{12}}{X_{12}^3}$

where  $\vec{X}_{12} = \vec{X}_1 - \vec{X}_2$ . Substituting:

$$\vec{F}_{12} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} I_1 I_2 \iiint \frac{d\vec{l}_1 \times (d\vec{l}_2 \times \vec{X}_{12})}{X_{12}^3}$$

$$\text{As } \frac{d\vec{l}_1 \times (d\vec{l}_2 \times \vec{X}_{12})}{X_{12}^3} = \frac{d\vec{l}_2 (d\vec{l}_1 \cdot \vec{X}_{12})}{X_{12}^3} - \vec{X}_{12} \frac{d\vec{l}_1 \cdot d\vec{l}_2}{X_{12}^3}$$

and, since  $\vec{\nabla}_1 \frac{1}{|\vec{X}_{12}|} = -\frac{\vec{X}_{12}}{|\vec{X}_{12}|^3}$ , the first term vanishes

and we write:

$$\vec{F}_{12} = -\frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} I_1 I_2 \iint \frac{d\vec{l}_1 \cdot d\vec{l}_2}{|\vec{x}_{12}|^3} \vec{x}_{12}$$

attractive if  $I_1 \parallel I_2$   
repulsive if  $I_1 \& I_2$  anti-parallel

Ampere's law of force between two current loops.

As  $I d\vec{l} = \vec{J} d^3x \Rightarrow$  for two localized current densities  $\vec{F}_{12} = -\frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int d^3x_1 d^3x_2 \frac{\vec{J}_1(\vec{x}_1) \cdot \vec{J}_2(\vec{x}_2)}{|\vec{x}_{12}|^3} \vec{x}_{12}$

For current density Ampere's law gives:

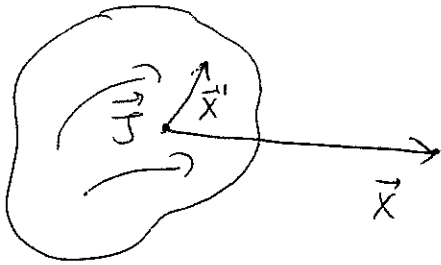
$$\vec{F} = \int d^3x \vec{J}(\vec{x}) \times \vec{B}(\vec{x})$$

The resulting torque is  $\vec{N} = \int d^3x \vec{x} \times (\vec{J}(\vec{x}) \times \vec{B}(\vec{x}))$

# Magnetic Fields of a Localized Current Distribution:

## Magnetic <sup>Dipole</sup> Moment.

Imagine a localized current distribution:



We need to find vector potential far away from the currents: start with

$$\vec{A}(\vec{x}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int d^3x' \frac{\vec{J}(\vec{x}')}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|}$$

$\Rightarrow$  to properly expand  $\vec{A}(\vec{x})$  in powers of  $\frac{1}{r}$

we need vector spherical harmonics ~ we'll maybe talk about them next quarter.

$\Rightarrow$  Instead expand

$$\frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} \approx \frac{1}{|\vec{x}|} + \frac{\vec{x} \cdot \vec{x}'}{|\vec{x}|^3} + \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow A_i(\vec{x}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{1}{|\vec{x}|} \int d^3x' J_i(\vec{x}') + \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{\vec{x} \cdot \int d^3x' J_i(\vec{x}')}{|\vec{x}|^3} + \dots$$

$$\vec{x}' J_i(\vec{x}') + \dots$$

Now,  $\int d^3x' J_i(\vec{x}') = \int d^3x' \left[ \vec{\nabla}' \cdot (x_i' \vec{J}(\vec{x}')) - x_i' \vec{\nabla}' \cdot \vec{J} \right]$

First term becomes a surface integral (197)

$$\int_{\mathcal{S}} da \, x_i J_n = 0 \quad \text{as current is localized}$$

Second term is also  $\emptyset$  as  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{J} = 0$  (continuity)

$$\Rightarrow A_i(\vec{x}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{\vec{x}}{|\vec{x}|^3} \cdot \int d^3x' \vec{x}' J_i(\vec{x}')$$

$$\text{Now, } 0 = \int d^3x' \vec{\nabla}' \cdot (x_i x_j' \vec{J}(\vec{x}')) \stackrel{\text{as } \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{J} = 0}{=} \int d^3x' [x_i' J_j + x_j' J_i] \Rightarrow \int d^3x' [x_i' J_j + x_j' J_i] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{x} \cdot \int d^3x' \vec{x}' \cdot J_i(\vec{x}') \equiv \sum_j x_j \int d^3x' x_j' J_i =$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_j x_j \int d^3x' [x_i' J_j - x_j' J_i] =$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{j,k} \epsilon_{ijk} x_j \int d^3x' (\vec{x}' \times \vec{J})_k$$

$$\text{as } (\vec{x}' \times \vec{J})_k = \epsilon_{kij} x_i' J_j' \text{ and}$$

$$\epsilon_{ijk} \epsilon_{ij'k} = \delta_{ii'} \delta_{jj'} - \delta_{ij'} \delta_{ji'}$$

$$\text{Finally we obtain } -\frac{1}{2} \left[ \vec{x} \times \int d^3x' (\vec{x}' \times \vec{J}) \right]_i,$$

such that

$$\vec{A}(\vec{x}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \frac{\vec{x}}{|\vec{x}|^3} \times \int d^3x' \vec{x}' \times \vec{J}$$

Definition. Defining magnetic moment <sup>dipole</sup>

$$\vec{m} = \frac{1}{2} \int d^3x' \vec{x}' \times \vec{J}(\vec{x}')$$

We obtain

$$\vec{A}(\vec{x}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{\vec{m} \times \vec{x}}{|\vec{x}|^3}$$

$$\vec{B} = \nabla \times \vec{A} \Rightarrow$$

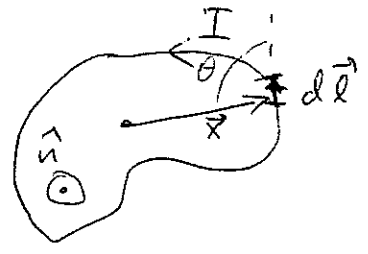
$$\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{3\hat{n}(\hat{n} \cdot \vec{m}) - \vec{m}}{|\vec{x}|^3}$$

(cf. with  $\vec{E}$  of a dipole)

Definition  $\vec{M} = \frac{1}{2} \vec{x} \times \vec{J}(\vec{x})$  is the magnetic moment density, or, magnetization.

(More precisely,  $\vec{B}(\vec{x}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \left[ \frac{3\hat{n}(\hat{n} \cdot \vec{m}) - \vec{m}}{|\vec{x}|^3} + \frac{8\pi}{3} \vec{m} \delta^3(\vec{x}) \right]$ )

Suppose the current is confined to a plane:



$$\vec{m} = \frac{1}{2} I \int \vec{x} \times d\vec{\ell}$$

$\Rightarrow$  as  $|\vec{x} \times d\vec{\ell}| \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} x dl \sin \theta = da$   
 area element