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PHYSICS 331

MISSION 5: MAGNETOSTATICS (38+2)PTS)

Problems mentioned refer to David Griffith's *Introduction to Electrodynamics*, 5th edition. Skip two problems. Each problem worth 4pts.

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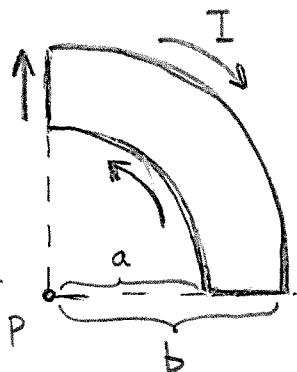
Problem 52 Problem 5.37 (magnetic dipole moment of current loop and its connection to pure dipole in far-field limit)

Problem 53 Problem 5.60 (magnetic dipole in otherwise uniform magnetic field)

SOLUTION TO MISSION 5

P4a Problem 5.9

Find the magnetic field at the point P for the steady currents pictured below:



$$\vec{B}(\vec{r}) = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \int \frac{d\vec{l} \times \hat{r}}{r^2}$$

$$d\vec{l}_a = a d\phi \hat{\phi}$$

$$\hat{r}_a = -\hat{S}, \quad r = a$$

$$d\vec{l}_a \times \hat{r} = -a d\phi \hat{\phi} \times \hat{S} = a d\phi \hat{z}$$



$$d\vec{l}_b = b d\phi \hat{\phi}$$

$$\hat{r}_b = -\hat{S}$$

$$r = b$$

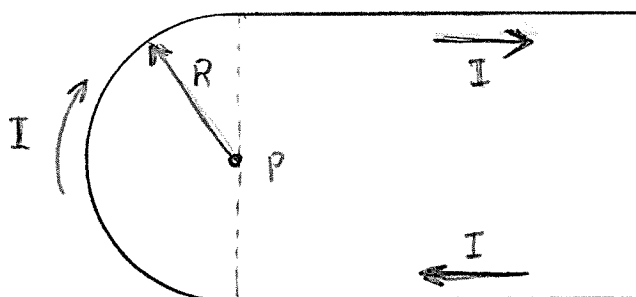
$$d\vec{l}_b \times \hat{r} = b d\phi \hat{z}$$

Remark: the radial current segments produce no field at P since $\hat{r} \parallel \pm d\vec{l}$

$$\vec{B}(0) = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{a d\phi \hat{z}}{a^2} + \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \int_{\pi/2}^0 \frac{b d\phi \hat{z}}{b^2}$$

$$\vec{B}(0) = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \left(\frac{1}{a} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{b} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \right) \right) \hat{z}$$

$$\boxed{\vec{B}(P) = \frac{\mu_0 I}{8} \left(\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b} \right) \hat{z}} \quad (\text{out of page})$$

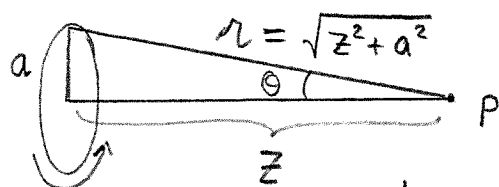
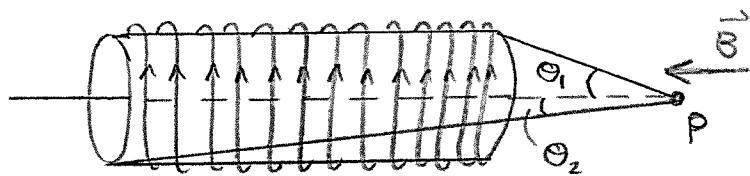


$$d\vec{l} = -d\ell \hat{\phi}, \quad \hat{r} = -\hat{S}, \quad r = R$$

$$\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \int \frac{d\ell \hat{\phi} \times \hat{S}}{R^2} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \left(\frac{\pi R (-\hat{z})}{R^2} \right)$$

$$\boxed{\vec{B}(P) = -\frac{\mu_0 I \hat{z}}{4R}} \quad (\text{into page})$$

P43 Problem 5.11 / Find magnetic field at P on axis of tightly wound solenoid of n turns per meter carrying current I with radius a . Find field for infinite solenoid ($\theta_2 \rightarrow 0, \theta_1 \rightarrow \pi$)



$$\sin \theta = \frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2 + z^2}} \quad \cos \theta = \frac{z}{\sqrt{a^2 + z^2}}$$

$dI = nI dz$ $\leftarrow$ $ndz = \#$ of loops within dz at z

$$dB = \frac{\mu_0 dI}{2} \frac{a^2}{(a^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} = \frac{\mu_0 n I}{2} \left(\frac{a^2 dz}{(a^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} \right)$$

Now, I need to express dz in terms of $d\theta$

$$\cos \theta d\theta = -\frac{a}{z} (a^2 + z^2)^{-3/2} (2z) dz = \frac{-a dz}{(a^2 + z^2)^{3/2}}$$

Thus, $dz / (z^2 + a^2)^{3/2} = \frac{-1}{az} \cos \theta d\theta$ and so,

$$dB = -\frac{\mu_0 n I}{2} \frac{a^2}{az} \cos \theta d\theta$$

Notice $\tan \theta = a/z$ hence,

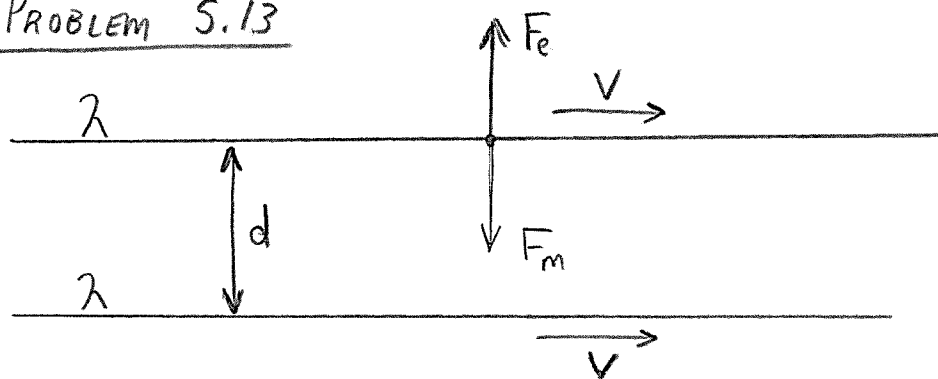
$$dB = -\left(\frac{\mu_0 n I}{2} \right) \tan \theta \cos \theta d\theta = \frac{-\mu_0 I n}{2} \sin \theta d\theta$$

$$\therefore B = \frac{-\mu_0 n I}{2} \int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} \sin \theta d\theta$$

$$\therefore B = \frac{\mu_0 I n}{2} (\cos \theta_2 - \cos \theta_1)$$

Infinitely long solenoid, $B = \frac{\mu_0 I n}{2} (\cos 0 - \cos \pi) = \boxed{\mu_0 n I}$

P44) PROBLEM 5.13



Consider a particular length l

$$B = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi d} = \frac{\mu_0 \lambda v}{2\pi d}$$

$$F_m = \|I \vec{l} \times \vec{B}\| = \frac{\mu_0 l (\lambda v) (\lambda v)}{2\pi d}$$

$$E = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi \epsilon_0 d}$$

$$F_e = Q E = \frac{\lambda l \lambda}{2\pi \epsilon_0 d}$$

$$F_m = F_e$$

$$\frac{\mu_0 l \lambda^2 v^2}{2\pi d} = \frac{\lambda^2 l}{2\pi \epsilon_0 d}$$

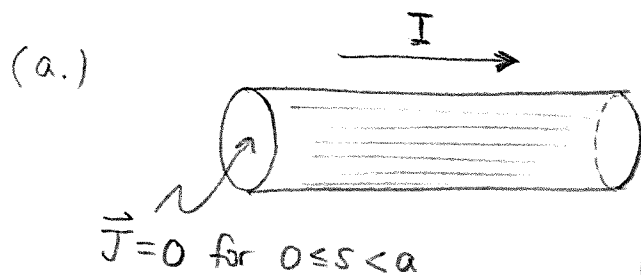
$$v^2 = \frac{1}{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}$$

$$\boxed{v = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}}} \quad (\text{speed of light})$$

P45 PROBLEM 5.14

A steady current I flows down a long cylindrical wire of radius a . Find the magnetic field both inside and outside of the wire if

- (a.) the current is uniformly distributed over surface of wire,
 (b.) the current is distributed s.t. J is proportional to s .



$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{\ell} = \mu_0 I_{enc}$$

$$2\pi s B = \mu_0 I_{enc}$$

$$\vec{B} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } 0 \leq s < a \\ \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi s} \hat{\phi} & \text{for } s > a \end{cases}$$

(b.) $I = \int \alpha s dA = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^a \alpha s^2 ds d\phi = \frac{2\pi \alpha a^3}{3} = I$

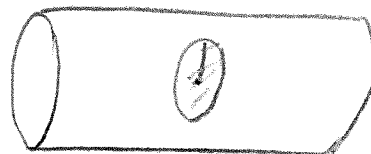
Thus $J = \alpha s = \left(\frac{3I}{2\pi a^3} \right) s$

$$I_{enc} (s \leq s_0) = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{s_0} \frac{3Is}{2\pi a^3} s ds d\phi$$

$$= \left(\frac{3I}{2\pi a^3} \right) \left(\int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \right) \left(\int_0^{s_0} s^2 ds \right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{3I}{a^3} \right) \left(\frac{s_0^3}{3} \right)$$

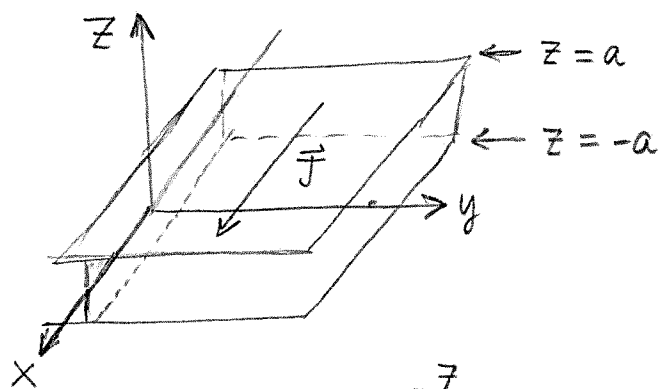
$$= I s_0^3 / a^3$$



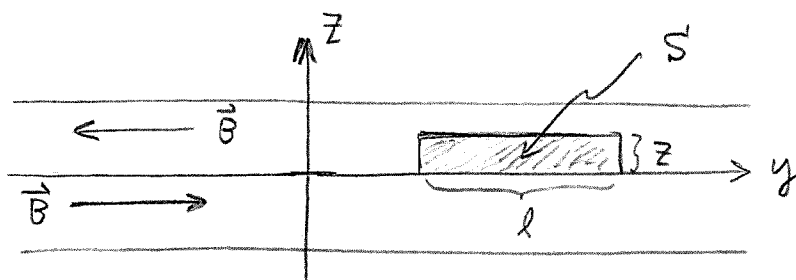
$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{\ell} = \mu_0 I_{enc} \Rightarrow (2\pi s) B = \mu_0 I s^3 / a^3 \quad \therefore B = \frac{\mu_0 I s^2}{2\pi a^3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{B} = \begin{cases} \frac{\mu_0 I s^2}{2\pi a^3} & \text{for } 0 \leq s \leq a \\ \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi s} & \text{for } s \geq a \end{cases}$$

P46 PROBLEM 5.15



$$\vec{J} = J \hat{x}$$

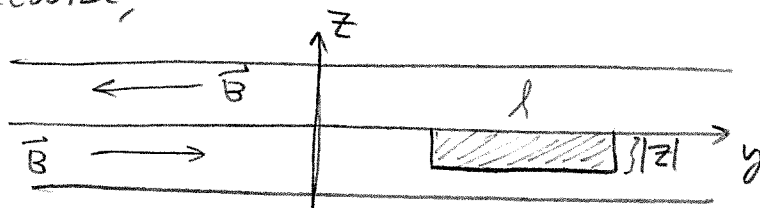


Remark: $\vec{B} = 0$
on the xy -plane.

$$\mu_0 \int_S \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{a} = \oint_{\partial S} \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} \Rightarrow \mu_0 J l z = B l \quad (\text{only top edge contributes})$$

$$\boxed{B = -\mu_0 J z \hat{y} \quad \text{for } 0 \leq z \leq a}$$

Likewise,



$$\mu_0 \int_S \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{a} = \oint_{\partial S} \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} \Rightarrow \mu_0 J l z = B l \quad (\text{only base edge gives non zero contribution})$$

$$\boxed{\vec{B} = \mu_0 J |z| \hat{y}}$$

for $-a \leq z \leq 0$.

Notice we can extend the amperian loop beyond the slab and $I_{enc} = J l a$ in both cases,

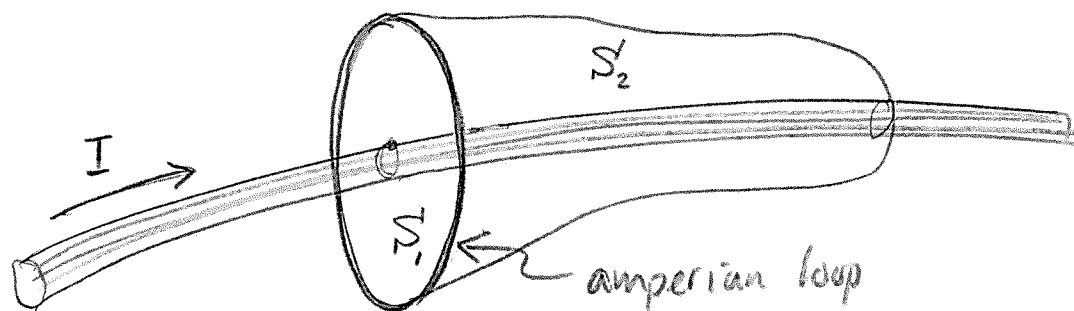
$$\boxed{\vec{B} = \begin{cases} -\mu_0 J z \hat{y} & : -a \leq z \leq a \\ -\mu_0 J a \hat{y} & : z \geq a \\ \mu_0 J a \hat{y} & : z \leq -a \end{cases}}$$

P47 PROBLEM 5.20

In calculating the current enclosed by an Amperian loop, one must, in general, evaluate an integral of the form

$$I_{enc} = \int_S \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{a}$$

Trouble is, there are infinitely many surfaces that share the same boundary line. Which one are we supposed to use?



Note $S_1 \cup (-S_2) = \partial V$ and

$$I_{enc}(S_1) = \int_{S_1} \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{a}$$

$$I_{enc}(S_2) = \int_{S_2} \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{a}$$

$$\int_V (\nabla \cdot \vec{J}) d\tau = \int_{\partial V} \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{a} = \int_{S_1} \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{a} - \int_{S_2} \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{a}$$

Steady current $\therefore \nabla \cdot \vec{J} = 0$ and so,

$$\underline{I_{enc}(S_1) = I_{enc}(S_2)}$$

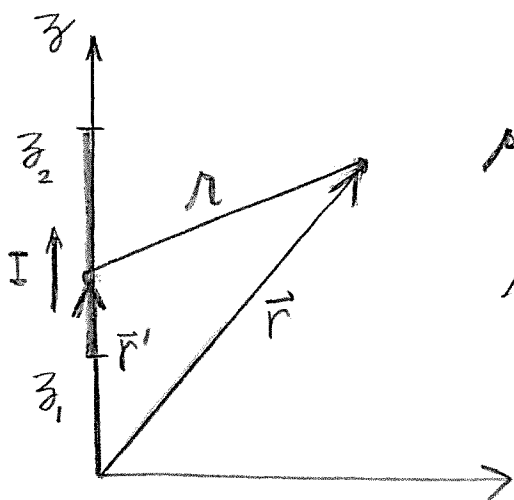
(it matters not which bounding surface for the amp. loop, all give same current)

P48

PROBLEM 5.25

Find the magnetic vector potential of a finite segment of straight wire carrying current I . (Put the wire on the z -axis, from z_1 to z_2 and use Eq 5.66)

Check your answer is consistent with 5.37



$$R = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + (z - z')^2}$$

$$R = \sqrt{s^2 + (z - z')^2}$$

$$\vec{A} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \int \frac{1}{R} d\vec{\ell}'$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0 I \hat{z}}{4\pi} \int_{z_1}^{z_2} \frac{dz'}{\sqrt{(z' - z)^2 + s^2}}$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0 I \hat{z}}{4\pi} \int_{\beta_1}^{\beta_2} \frac{s \sec^2 \beta d\beta}{s \sec \beta}$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0 I \hat{z}}{4\pi} \int_{\beta_1}^{\beta_2} \sec \beta d\beta$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0 I \hat{z}}{4\pi} \left(\ln |\sec \beta_2 + \tan \beta_2| - \ln |\sec \beta_1 + \tan \beta_1| \right)$$

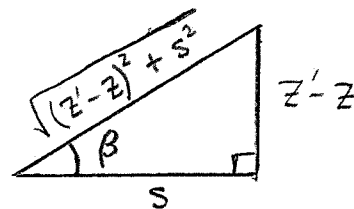
$$= \frac{\mu_0 I \hat{z}}{4\pi} \left(\ln \left| \frac{\sqrt{(z_2 - z)^2 + s^2}}{s} + \frac{z_2 - z}{s} \right| - \ln \left| \frac{\sqrt{(z_1 - z)^2 + s^2}}{s} + \frac{z_1 - z}{s} \right| \right)$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0 I \hat{z}}{4\pi} \left(\ln \left| \sqrt{(z - z_2)^2 + s^2} + z_2 - z \right| - \ln \left| \sqrt{(z - z_1)^2 + s^2} + z_1 - z \right| \right)$$

$$z' - z = s \tan \beta$$

$$(z' - z)^2 + s^2 = s^2 (\tan^2 \beta + 1) = s^2 \sec^2 \beta$$

$$dz' = s \sec^2 \beta d\beta$$



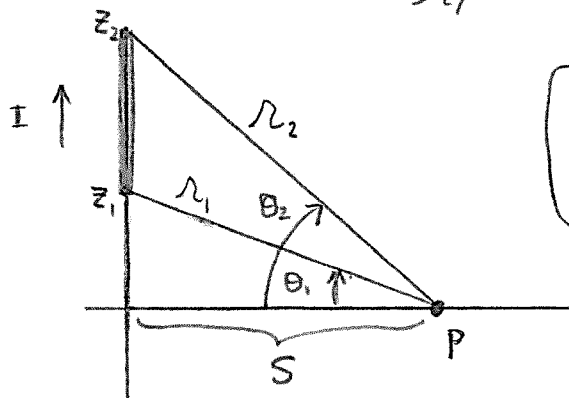
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$$\vec{B} = \nabla \times \vec{A} = \frac{1}{s} \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial \phi} \hat{s} - \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial s} \hat{\phi} \quad (\text{other terms zero since } A_\phi = A_s = 0)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{B} &= - \frac{\partial}{\partial s} \left[\ln |\sqrt{(z-z_2)^2 + s^2} + z_2 - z| - \ln |\sqrt{(z-z_1)^2 + s^2} + z_1 - z| \right] \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \hat{\phi} \\ &= \left[\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{(z-z_1)^2 + s^2} + z_1 - z} \right) \left(\frac{zs}{2\sqrt{(z-z_1)^2 + s^2}} \right) \left(\frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \right) + 2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{(z-z_2)^2 + s^2} + z_2 - z_1} \right) \left(\frac{zs}{2\sqrt{(z-z_2)^2 + s^2}} \right) \left(\frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \right) \right] \hat{\phi} \end{aligned}$$

Now, to compare with Ex 5.37 we need to set $z=0$ in our current notation

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{B} &= \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \left[\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{z_1^2 + s^2} + z_1} \right) \left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{z_1^2 + s^2}} \right) - \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{z_2^2 + s^2} + z_2} \right) \left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{z_2^2 + s^2}} \right) \right] \hat{\phi} \\ &= \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \left[\frac{z_1 - \sqrt{z_1^2 + s^2}}{-(z_1^2 + s^2) + z_1^2} \cdot \frac{s}{\sqrt{z_1^2 + s^2}} - \frac{z_2 - \sqrt{z_2^2 + s^2}}{-(z_2^2 + s^2) + z_2^2} \cdot \frac{s}{\sqrt{z_2^2 + s^2}} \right] \hat{\phi} \\ &= \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \left[\frac{z_1 - \sqrt{z_1^2 + s^2}}{-s^2} \cdot \frac{s}{\sqrt{z_1^2 + s^2}} - \frac{z_2 - \sqrt{z_2^2 + s^2}}{-s^2} \cdot \frac{s}{\sqrt{z_2^2 + s^2}} \right] \hat{\phi} \\ &= \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi s} \left[\underbrace{\frac{-z_1}{\sqrt{z_1^2 + s^2}}}_{\sin \theta_1} + 1 + \underbrace{\frac{z_2}{\sqrt{z_2^2 + s^2}}}_{\sin \theta_2} - 1 \right] \hat{\phi} \end{aligned}$$



$$\boxed{\vec{B}(P) = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi s} [\sin \theta_2 - \sin \theta_1] \hat{\phi}}$$

P49 PROBLEM 5.27

Suppose $\vec{B}$ is uniform, show that $\vec{A}(\vec{r}) = -\frac{1}{2} \vec{r} \times \vec{B}$ works. That is, check that $\nabla \cdot \vec{A} = 0$ and $\nabla \times \vec{A} = \vec{B}$. Is this choice of $\vec{A}$ unique?

There may be more clever solutions, but

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{A}(\vec{r}) &= -\frac{1}{2} \langle x, y, z \rangle \times \langle B_1, B_2, B_3 \rangle \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \langle y B_3 - z B_2, z B_1 - x B_3, x B_2 - y B_1 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Thus clearly, $\nabla \cdot \vec{A} = 0$. Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \times \vec{A} &= -\frac{1}{2} \left[\left(\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial y} [x B_2 - y B_1] \right] - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} [z B_1 - x B_3] \right) \hat{x} \right. \\ &\quad + \left(\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial z} [y B_3 - z B_2] \right] - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [x B_2 - y B_1] \right) \hat{y} \\ &\quad \left. + \left(\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x} [z B_1 - x B_3] \right] - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} [y B_3 - z B_2] \right) \hat{z} \right] \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} (-2 B_1 \hat{x} - 2 B_2 \hat{y} - 2 B_3 \hat{z}) \\ &= B_1 \hat{x} + B_2 \hat{y} + B_3 \hat{z} \\ &= \vec{B}. \end{aligned}$$

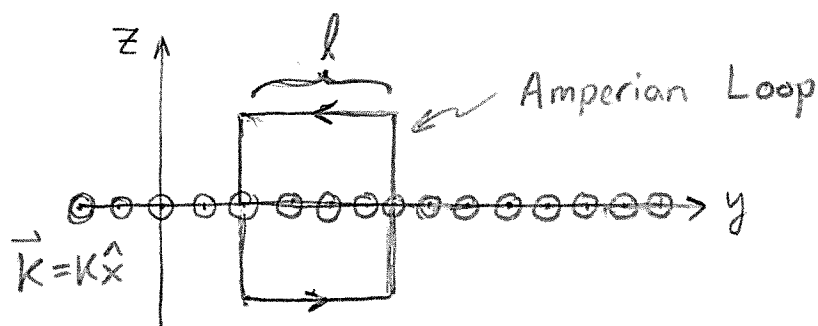
No, the choice is not unique if we pick λ for which $\nabla \cdot (\nabla \lambda) = 0$ then $\nabla \cdot (\vec{A} + \nabla \lambda) = 0$

and $\nabla \times (\vec{A} + \nabla \lambda) = \nabla \times \vec{A} + \nabla \times \nabla \lambda = \vec{B} + \vec{0} = \vec{B}$.

There are many solutions to $\nabla^2 \lambda = 0$.

P50 Problem 5.29

Find vector potential above and below plane surface current of the form $\vec{K} = K \hat{x}$ flowing over xy -plane



RHR & symmetry gives $\vec{B}$ pointing left for $z > 0$ and right for $z < 0$.

$$\oint_{\partial S} \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \mu_0 \int_S \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{a} = \mu_0 K l = B l + B l$$

$$B = \frac{\mu_0 K}{2}$$

Therefore,

$$\vec{B} = \begin{cases} \frac{\mu_0 K}{2} \hat{y} & \text{for } z < 0 \\ -\frac{\mu_0 K}{2} \hat{y} & \text{for } z > 0 \end{cases}$$

I can use the previous problem, $\vec{A} = -\frac{1}{2} \vec{r} \times \vec{B}$

$$\vec{A} = -\frac{1}{2} (x \hat{x} + y \hat{y} + z \hat{z}) \times (\pm \frac{\mu_0 K}{2} \hat{y})$$

$$= \mp \frac{\mu_0 K}{4} (x \hat{z} - z \hat{x})$$

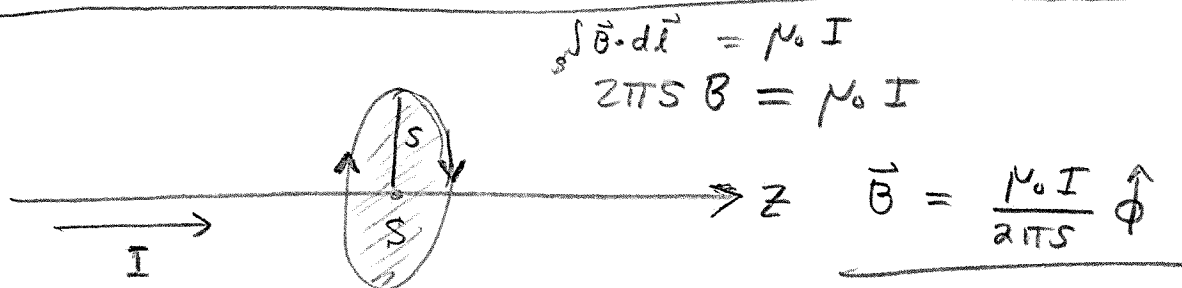
$$\vec{A}(x, y, z) = \begin{cases} -\frac{\mu_0 K}{4} \langle -z, 0, x \rangle & : z < 0 \\ \frac{\mu_0 K}{4} \langle -z, 0, x \rangle & : z > 0 \end{cases}$$

However, we could also use (basically drop the x -terms and double-up the z -terms)

$$\boxed{\vec{A}(x, y, z) = -\frac{\mu_0 K}{2} |z| \hat{x}}$$

P51 Problem 5.31

Find the scalar potential of infinite straight wire
To avoid multivalued potential we must restrict our attention to simply connected region which does not encircle the current

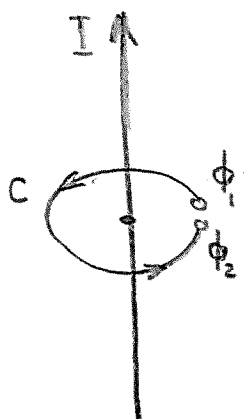


$$\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi s} \hat{\phi} = -\nabla U = -\frac{\partial U}{\partial s} \hat{s} - \frac{1}{s} \frac{\partial U}{\partial \phi} \hat{\phi} - \frac{\partial U}{\partial z} \hat{z}$$

$$-\frac{1}{s} \frac{\partial U}{\partial \phi} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi s} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial U}{\partial s} = 0 \quad \& \quad \frac{\partial U}{\partial z} = 0$$

$$\frac{dU}{d\phi} = \frac{-\mu_0 I}{2\pi}$$

$$U(\vec{r}) = \frac{-\mu_0 I \phi}{2\pi}$$



$$\int_C \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{\ell} = -\int_C \nabla U \cdot d\vec{\ell}$$

$$= -U(\phi_2) + U(\phi_1)$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi} (\phi_2 - \phi_1) \rightarrow \mu_0 I$$

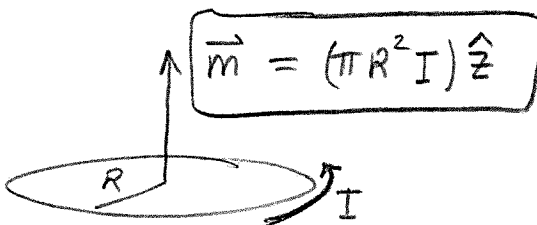
in the limit $\phi_2 \rightarrow \phi_1 + 2\pi$.

P52 Problem 5.37

A circular loop of wire, with radius R , lies in the xy -plane (centered at the origin) and carries a current I running CCW as viewed from the positive z -axis.

- What is its magnetic dipole moment?
- What is the (approximate) magnetic fields at points far from the origin?
- Show that, for points on the z -axis, your answer is consistent with the exact field (Ex. 5.6) when $z \gg R$.

(a.)



$$\vec{m} = (\pi R^2 I) \hat{z}$$

(b.)
$$\vec{B}_{\text{dip}}(\vec{r}) = \frac{\mu_0 m}{4\pi r^3} (2 \cos \theta \hat{r} + \sin \theta \hat{\theta}) = \frac{\mu_0 R^2 I}{4r^3} (2 \cos \theta \hat{r} + \sin \theta \hat{\theta})$$

(c.) Points on z -axis have $\theta = 0$ thus
$$\vec{B}_{\text{dip}} = \frac{\mu_0 R^2 I}{2 z^3} \hat{z}$$

($r = z$)

Example 5.6: field points in $\hat{z}$ -direction and,

$$\begin{aligned} B &= \frac{\mu_0 I}{z} \frac{R^2}{(R^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} \\ &\approx \frac{\mu_0 I}{z} \frac{R^2}{(z^2)^{3/2}} \quad z \gg R \\ &= \frac{\mu_0 I R^2}{2 z^3} \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

PS3 Problem 5.60

A magnetic dipole $\vec{m} = -m_0 \hat{z}$ is at origin in otherwise uniform magnetic field $\vec{B} = B_0 \hat{z}$. Show $\exists$ a spherical surface centered at origin through which no B-field lines pass. Find the radius of this sphere, and sketch the field lines inside & out.

$$\vec{B} = B_0 \hat{z} + \vec{B}_{\text{dip}} \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{for field the } B_0 \hat{z} \text{ term dominates} \\ \text{since } \|\vec{B}_{\text{dip}}\| \sim \frac{1}{r^3} \end{array} \right)$$

satisfies the given data hence must be the correct $\vec{B}$ field

$$\vec{B} = B_0 \hat{z} - \frac{\mu_0 m_0}{4\pi r^3} (2 \cos \theta \hat{r} + \sin \theta \hat{\theta})$$

Thus calculate

$$\vec{B} \cdot \hat{r} = B_0 \hat{z} \cdot \hat{r} - \frac{\mu_0 m_0}{4\pi r^3} (2 \cos \theta \hat{r} \cdot \hat{r} + \sin \theta \hat{\theta} \cdot \hat{r})$$

Since $\hat{r} = \langle \cos \phi \sin \theta, \sin \phi \sin \theta, \cos \theta \rangle$ we see $\hat{z} \cdot \hat{r} = \cos \theta$

$$\vec{B} \cdot \hat{r} = B_0 \cos \theta - \frac{\mu_0 m_0 \cos \theta}{2\pi r^3}$$

$$\vec{B} \cdot \hat{r} = \left(B_0 - \frac{\mu_0 m_0}{2\pi r^3} \right) \cos \theta$$

Let R be such that $B_0 = \frac{\mu_0 m_0}{2\pi R^3}$ then B-field lines have no radial comp. at $r=R$ hence no field lines pass that radius.

$$R = \sqrt[3]{\frac{\mu_0 m_0}{2\pi B_0}}$$

