

There are three methods of calculating magnetic fields

① Ampere's Law $\oint_C \underline{H} \cdot d\underline{\ell} = \int_S \underline{J} \cdot d\underline{S}$

② Biot-Savart Law

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

where the B field at a point P is calculated by summing (vectorially) the differential current vectors crossed with the vector pointing from the current element to P

③ Vector potential

$$\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{B} \neq 0 \quad \text{for a magnetic field} \\ (= \underline{J} + \frac{\partial \underline{D}}{\partial t})$$

We cannot use a scalar potential like $\underline{B} = -\underline{\nabla}\Phi$

$$\text{since } \underline{\nabla} \times (-\underline{\nabla}\Phi) \equiv 0$$

Use a potential function $\underline{B} = \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{A}$

Let's see if this gives a \underline{B} field

Look at divergence $\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{B} = \underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{A} \equiv 0$ which is good since $\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{B} = 0$

Now do curl $\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{B} = \underline{\nabla} \times (\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{A})$

but $\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{B} = \underline{J}$ (in static problems)

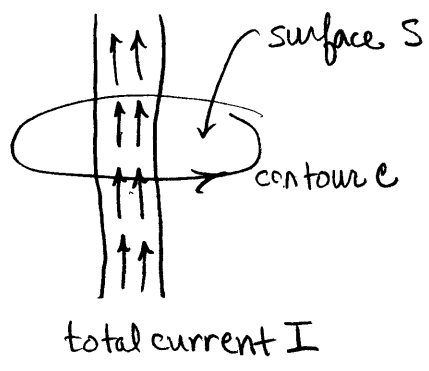
$$\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{A} = \underline{\nabla} \underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{A} - \nabla^2 \underline{A} = \underline{J}$$

for static fields.

Magnetostatics

Ampere's Law $\oint_C \underline{H} \cdot d\underline{l} = \int_S \underline{J} \cdot d\underline{s}$ (static case)

magnetic field from infinite uniform current density in wire of radius r_0



cylindrical coordinates & symmetry

so use $\underline{H} = H_\theta \hat{\theta}$

$$\underline{J} = \begin{cases} \frac{I}{\pi r_0^2} \hat{z} & r < r_0 \\ 0 & r > r_0 \end{cases}$$

For $r > r_0$

$$\oint_C \underline{H} \cdot d\underline{l} = H_\theta \cdot 2\pi r$$
$$\int_S \underline{J} \cdot \hat{n} da = \int_0^{r_0} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{I}{\pi r_0^2} \hat{z} \cdot \hat{z} r dr d\theta + \int_{r_0}^r \int_0^{2\pi} 0 \cdot \hat{z} r dr d\theta$$

This is just the current I

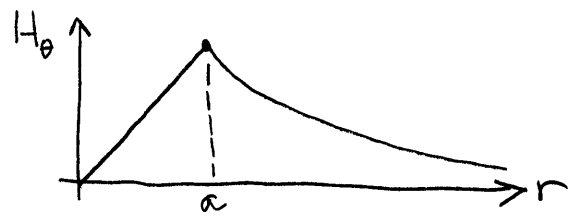
\therefore for $r > r_0$ $H_\theta \cdot 2\pi r = I$ or $\underline{H} = \frac{I}{2\pi r} \hat{\theta}$

For $r < r_0$ the first integral must be evaluated

$$\int_0^{r_0} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{I}{\pi r_0^2} r dr d\theta = \int_0^r \frac{I}{\pi r_0^2} r dr 2\pi = \frac{I}{r_0^2} r^2 \Big|_0^r = I \frac{r^2}{r_0^2}$$

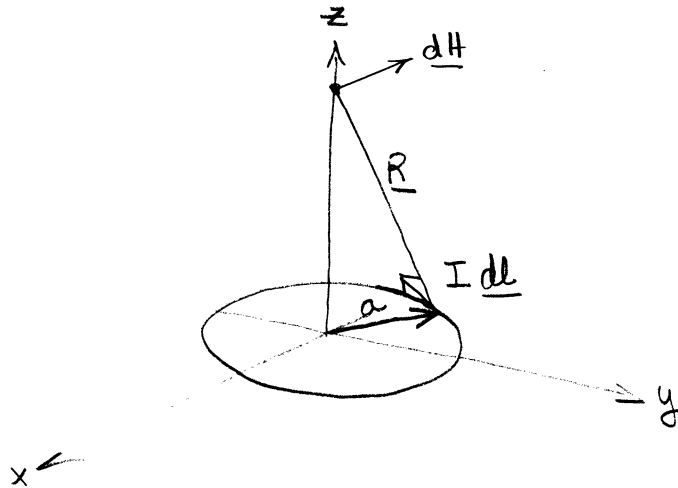
\therefore for $r < r_0$ $H_\theta \cdot 2\pi r = I \frac{r^2}{r_0^2}$ or $\underline{H} = \frac{I}{2\pi r_0^2} r \hat{\theta}$

Plotting these results



Biot Savart Law (and vector potential) usually involve a lot of geometry

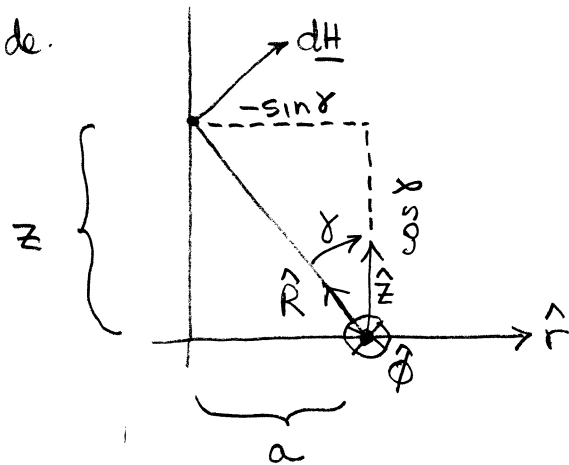
Example: field from a current loop of radius a along z -axis



$$d\mathbf{H}(z) = \frac{I d\mathbf{l} \times \hat{\mathbf{R}}}{4\pi R^2}$$

Let's do a better drawing from side.

$d\mathbf{H}$ is in the direction shown if $d\mathbf{l}$ is in the $+\hat{\phi}$ direction



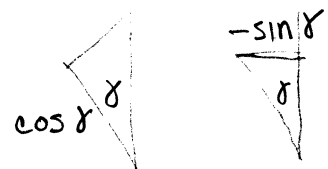
Need unit vectors for $d\mathbf{l}$ & \mathbf{R}

By inspection

$$d\mathbf{l} = a d\phi \hat{\phi}$$

However

$$\hat{\mathbf{R}} = c_1 \hat{\mathbf{r}} + c_2 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$$



to find these components formally note that

$$\hat{\mathbf{R}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{z}} = c_1 \hat{\mathbf{r}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{z}} + c_2 \hat{\mathbf{z}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{z}} \quad \text{or}$$

$$c_2 = \hat{\mathbf{R}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{z}} = \cos \gamma$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{R}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} = c_1 \hat{\mathbf{r}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} + c_2 \hat{\mathbf{z}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}}$$

$$c_1 = \hat{\mathbf{R}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} = -\sin \gamma$$

$$\therefore \hat{\mathbf{R}} = \cos \gamma \hat{\mathbf{z}} - \sin \gamma \hat{\mathbf{r}}$$

Then
$$\underline{dH} = \frac{I a d\phi \hat{\phi} \times (\cos \gamma \hat{z} - \sin \gamma \hat{r})}{4\pi(z^2 + a^2)}$$

$$= \frac{I a d\phi}{4\pi(z^2 + a^2)} \left[\cos \gamma \hat{r} + \sin \gamma \hat{z} \right]$$

$$\underline{dH} = \frac{I a d\phi}{4\pi} \left[\frac{\cos \gamma}{a^2 + z^2} \hat{r} + \frac{\sin \gamma}{a^2 + z^2} \hat{z} \right]$$

but note that $\cos \gamma = \frac{z}{R} = \frac{z}{(a^2 + z^2)^{1/2}}$

$$\sin \gamma = \frac{a}{R} = \frac{a}{(a^2 + z^2)^{1/2}}$$

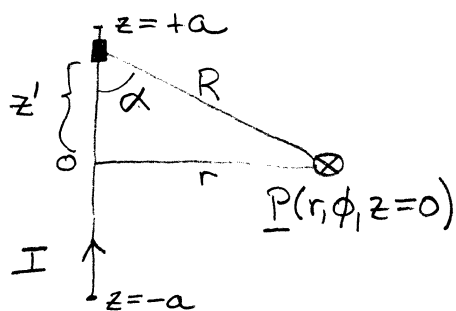
Integrating

$$H_r(\text{total}) = \frac{I a}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{z}{(a^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} d\phi = 0$$

$$H_z(\text{total}) = \frac{I a}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{a}{(a^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} d\phi = \frac{I a^2}{2(a^2 + z^2)^{3/2}}$$

Biot-Savart Law (cont.)

Finite length straight wire



From symmetry we expect no dependence on ϕ .

Compute \underline{H} at point \underline{P}

$$d\underline{H}(\underline{P}) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{I \hat{z} dz' \times \hat{R}}{R^2}$$

Note: $\hat{R} = -\hat{z} \cos \theta + \hat{r} \sin \alpha$

where $R^2 = r^2 + (z')^2$, $\hat{z} \times \hat{R} = \hat{z} \times (-\hat{z} \cos \theta + \hat{r} \sin \alpha) = \hat{\phi} \sin \alpha$

$$d\underline{H}(\underline{P}) = \frac{1}{4\pi} I \frac{dz' \hat{\phi} \sin \alpha}{r^2 + (z')^2}$$

and from the geometry $\sin \alpha = \frac{r}{(r^2 + (z')^2)^{1/2}}$

$$d\underline{H}(\underline{P}) = \frac{I}{4\pi} \frac{r dz'}{(r^2 + (z')^2)^{3/2}} \hat{\phi}$$

The total field at \underline{P} due to the wire from $-a$ to $+a$ can be gotten by integrating

$$\underline{H}_P = \hat{\phi} \frac{I r}{4\pi} \int_{z'=-a}^{z'=+a} \frac{dz'}{(r^2 + (z')^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$= \hat{\phi} \frac{I r}{4\pi} \left[\frac{z'}{r^2 \sqrt{r^2 + (z')^2}} \right]_{z'=-a}^{z'=+a} = \hat{\phi} \frac{I}{4\pi r} \frac{2a}{\sqrt{r^2 + a^2}}$$

$$\underline{H}_P = \hat{\phi} \frac{I a}{2\pi r \sqrt{r^2 + a^2}}$$

If the wire is infinitely long, or for very close to the wire, i.e. $r \ll a$ we get

$$\underline{H}_P \approx \hat{\phi} \frac{I}{2\pi r}$$

Vector potential

Others have proven that Maxwell's Equations are satisfied if

$$\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{A} = -\mu\epsilon \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial t}$$

For static (time-independent) fields $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rightarrow 0$ and $\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{A} = 0$

Then, the vector potential is defined by

$$\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{B} = -\nabla^2 \underline{A} = \mu \underline{J}$$

We get three component equations

$$\nabla^2 A_x = -\mu J_x$$

$$\nabla^2 A_y = -\mu J_y$$

$$\nabla^2 A_z = -\mu J_z$$

which is similar to Poisson's Equation.

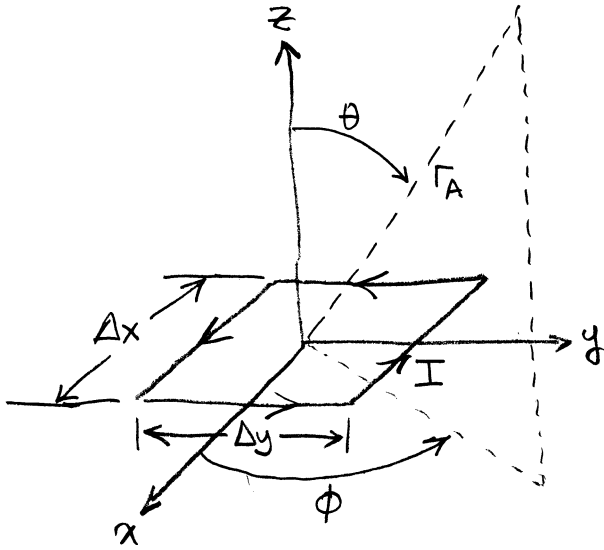
$$\text{The general solution is } A_x = \int \frac{\mu J_x dv}{4\pi r}$$

etc.

$$\text{In general } \underline{A} = \int \frac{\mu \underline{J} dv}{4\pi r}$$

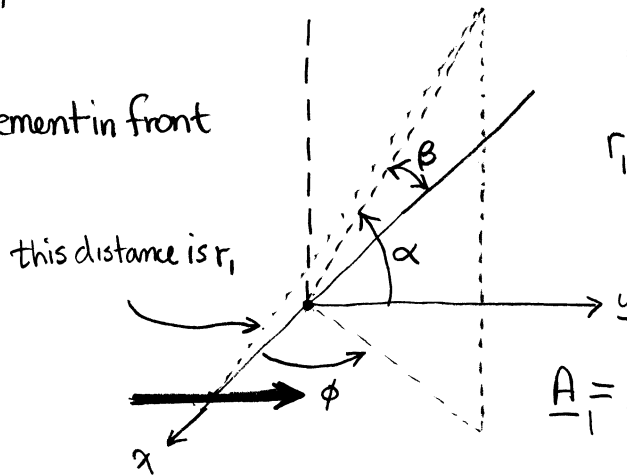
This is known as the Green's function solution for A

Example: square magnetic dipole



Use vector potential to sum up each current element separately.
 α, β are position angles of P

(a) current element in front



by law of cosines

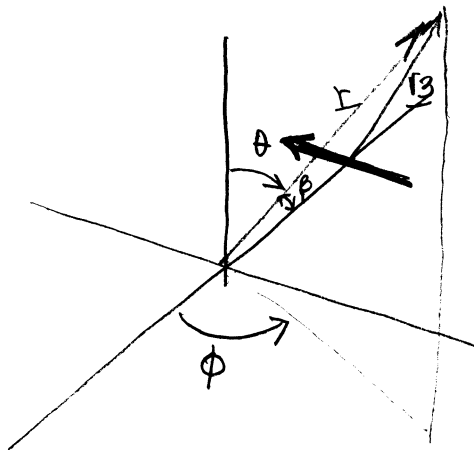
$$r_1^2 = r^2 + \left(\frac{\Delta x}{2}\right)^2 - 2r\left(\frac{\Delta x}{2}\right)\cos(\pi - \beta)$$

$$= r^2 + \frac{\Delta x^2}{4} + r\Delta x \cos\beta$$

$$\underline{A}_1 = \frac{\mu_0 (I \Delta y)}{4\pi r_1} \hat{y}$$

This assumes that the current element is concentrated at a point, i.e. $\Delta y \rightarrow 0$

(b) current element in back



Again using law of cosines

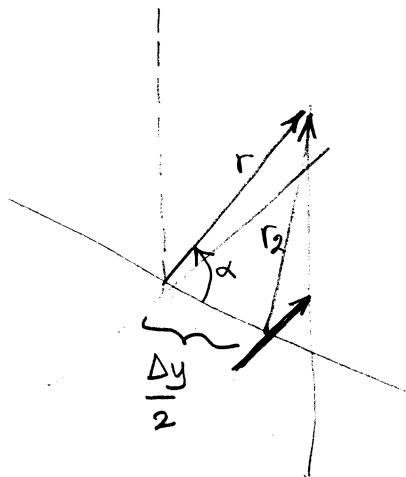
$$r_3^2 = r^2 + \left(\frac{\Delta x}{2}\right)^2 - 2r\left(\frac{\Delta x}{2}\right)\cos\beta$$

$$r_3^2 = r^2 + \left(\frac{\Delta x}{2}\right)^2 - r\Delta x \cos\beta$$

$$\underline{A}_3 = -\frac{\mu_0 I \Delta y}{4\pi r_3} \hat{y}$$

Note - sign since I is in $-\hat{y}$ direction

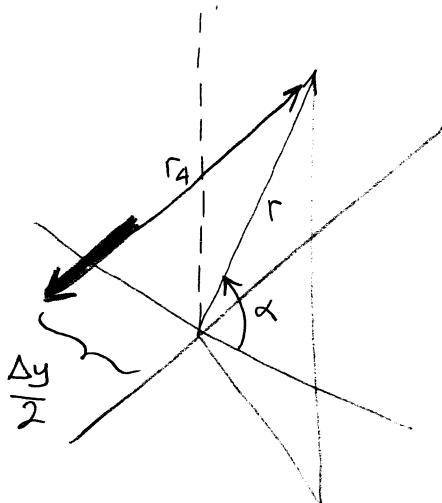
Now we do the other two sides



$$r_2^2 = r^2 + \left(\frac{\Delta y}{2}\right)^2 - 2r\left(\frac{\Delta y}{2}\right)\cos\alpha$$

$$r_2^2 = r^2 + \frac{(\Delta y)^2}{4} - r\Delta y\cos\alpha$$

$$\underline{A}_2 = -\frac{\mu_0 I \Delta x}{4\pi r_2} \hat{x}$$



$$r_4^2 = r^2 + \left(\frac{\Delta y}{2}\right)^2 - 2r\left(\frac{\Delta y}{2}\right)\cos(\pi - \alpha)$$

$$r_4^2 = r^2 + \left(\frac{\Delta y}{2}\right)^2 + r\Delta y\cos\alpha$$

$$\underline{A}_4 = \frac{\mu_0 I \Delta x}{4\pi r_4} \hat{x}$$

Just like the electric dipole we want to add the potentials in the limit as $\frac{\Delta x}{r}, \frac{\Delta y}{r} \rightarrow 0$

Let's just examine \underline{A}_1

$$\underline{A}_1 = \frac{\mu_0 (I \Delta y) \hat{y}}{4\pi \sqrt{r^2 + \frac{\Delta x^2}{4} + r\Delta x\cos\beta}} = \frac{\mu_0 (I \Delta y) \hat{y}}{4\pi r \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{4}\left(\frac{\Delta x}{r}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\Delta x}{r}\right)\cos\beta}}$$

$$\approx \frac{\mu_0 I \Delta y \hat{y}}{4\pi r \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\Delta x}{r}\right)\cos\beta}} = \frac{\mu_0 I \Delta y \hat{y}}{4\pi r} \left(1 + \left(\frac{\Delta x}{r}\right)\cos\beta\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\approx \frac{\mu_0 I \Delta y}{4\pi r} \hat{y} \left[1 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\Delta x}{r} \cos\beta\right]$$

We can re-arrange this to make it more convenient

$$\underline{A}_1 \approx \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \hat{y} \left[\left(\frac{\Delta y}{r} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\Delta x}{r} \right) \left(\frac{\Delta y}{r} \right) \cos \beta \right]$$

Similarly

$$\underline{A}_2 \approx -\frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \hat{x} \left[\left(\frac{\Delta x}{r} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\Delta x}{r} \right) \left(\frac{\Delta y}{r} \right) \cos \alpha \right]$$

$$\underline{A}_3 \approx -\frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \hat{y} \left[\left(\frac{\Delta y}{r} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\Delta x}{r} \right) \left(\frac{\Delta y}{r} \right) \cos \beta \right]$$

$$\underline{A}_4 \approx \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \hat{x} \left[\left(\frac{\Delta x}{r} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\Delta x}{r} \right) \left(\frac{\Delta y}{r} \right) \cos \alpha \right]$$

Which can be summed up

$$\underline{A} = \underline{A}_1 + \underline{A}_2 + \underline{A}_3 + \underline{A}_4$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \left[\hat{y} \left\{ \left(\frac{\Delta y}{r} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\Delta x}{r} \right) \left(\frac{\Delta y}{r} \right) \cos \beta \right\} - \hat{x} \left\{ \left(\frac{\Delta x}{r} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\Delta x}{r} \right) \left(\frac{\Delta y}{r} \right) \cos \alpha \right\} \right. \\ \left. - \hat{y} \left\{ \left(\frac{\Delta y}{r} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\Delta x}{r} \right) \left(\frac{\Delta y}{r} \right) \cos \beta \right\} + \hat{x} \left\{ \left(\frac{\Delta x}{r} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\Delta x}{r} \right) \left(\frac{\Delta y}{r} \right) \cos \alpha \right\} \right]$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \left[-\hat{x} \left(\frac{\Delta x}{r} \right) \left(\frac{\Delta y}{r} \right) \cos \alpha - \hat{y} \left(\frac{\Delta x}{r} \right) \left(\frac{\Delta y}{r} \right) \cos \beta \right]$$

$$\underline{A} = -\frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \Delta x \Delta y \left[\hat{x} \cos \alpha + \hat{y} \cos \beta \right]$$

This can be converted to spherical coordinates (not easy)

See EEAP 210, Spring '84 notes, p. 137-139

$$\underline{A} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi r^2} \Delta S \sin \theta \hat{\phi} \quad \text{where } \Delta S = \Delta x \Delta y \\ \text{the area of the loop.}$$

Can now compute \underline{B} in spherical coordinates

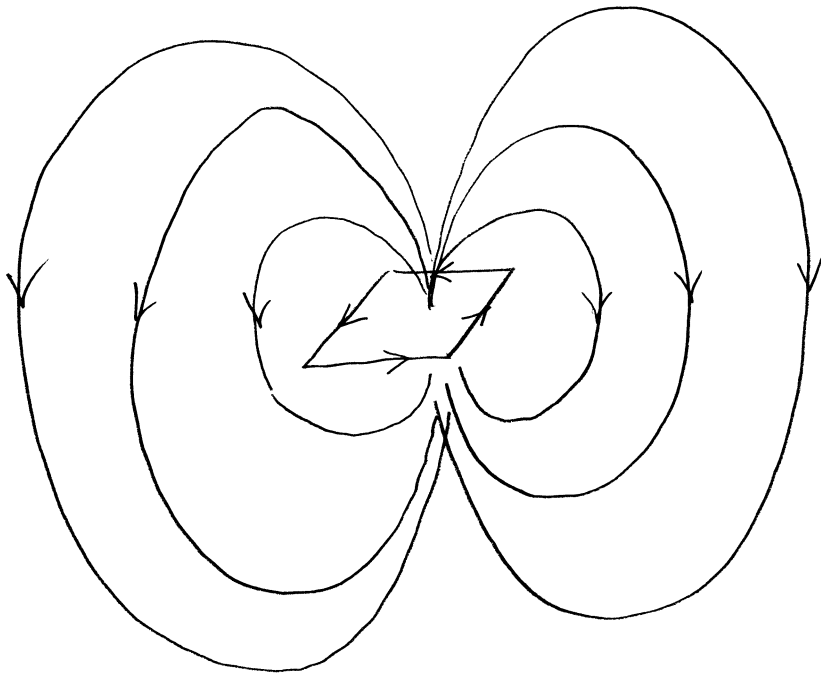
$$\underline{B} = \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{A} = \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (A_\phi \sin \theta) \hat{r} - \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r A_\phi) \hat{\theta}$$

$$\underline{B} = \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi r^2} \Delta S \sin^2 \theta \right) \hat{r} - \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(\frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \Delta S' \sin \theta \frac{1}{r} \right) \hat{\theta}$$

$$\underline{B} = \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi r^2} \Delta S' 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta \hat{r} - \frac{1}{r} \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \Delta S' \sin \theta \left(-\frac{1}{r^2} \right) \hat{\theta}$$

$$\underline{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi r^3} \Delta S' \left[2 \cos \theta \hat{r} + \sin \theta \hat{\theta} \right]$$

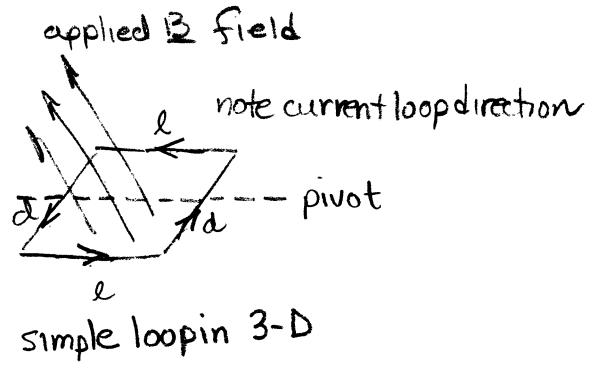
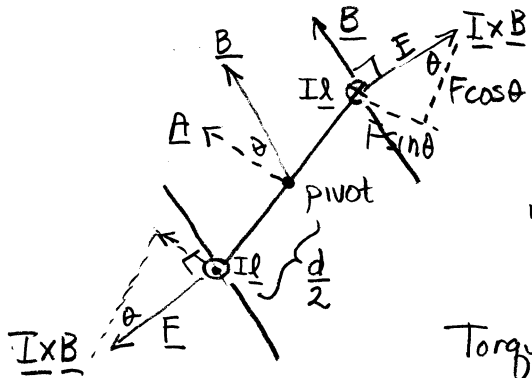
This is exactly the field we got for the electric dipole moment.



Torque on a magnetic dipole

$$\underline{F} = q \underline{v} \times \underline{B} = I \underline{l} \times \underline{B}$$

consider a simple loop.
from the side



magnetic dipole $\underline{m} = I \underline{A}$

Torque on magnetic dipole T

$$T = 2 \times F \times \text{moment arm}$$

\uparrow \uparrow $\frac{d}{2}$ about pivot
 two sides force \perp to loop

$$= 2 F \sin \theta \frac{d}{2}$$

$$= 2 (I l B) \sin \theta \frac{d}{2}$$

$$T = I A B \sin \theta$$

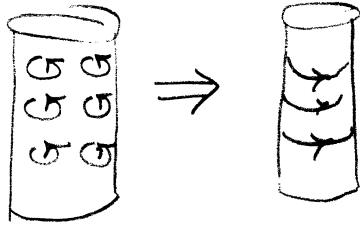
or in vector form $T = I \underline{A} \times \underline{B} = \underline{m} \times \underline{B}$

define the macroscopic polarization

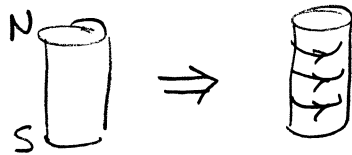
$$\underline{m} = \lim_{\Delta v \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sum_i \underline{m}_i}{\Delta v}$$

complicated because of

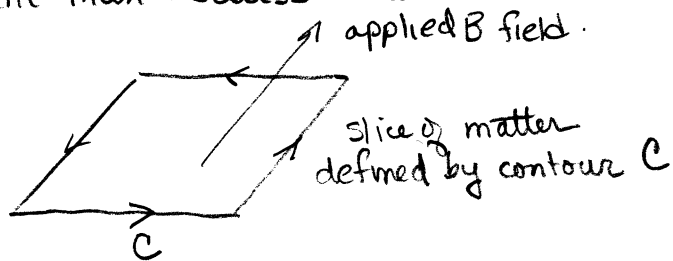
(i) currents combining



(ii) permanent magnets look like currents

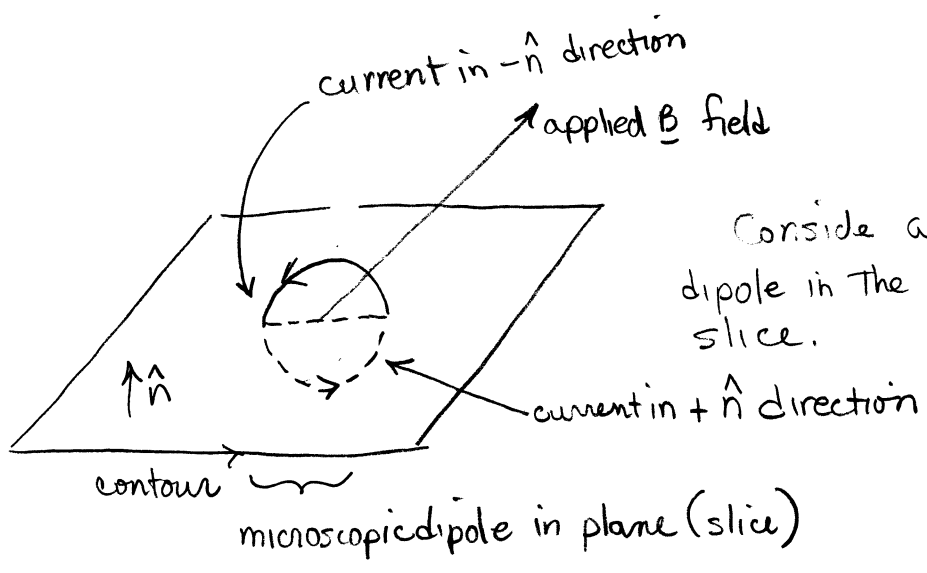


For polarization we considered a cube of electric dipoles. For magnetization we must consider a slice of magnetic dipoles because Amperé's Law is different than Gauss' Law.



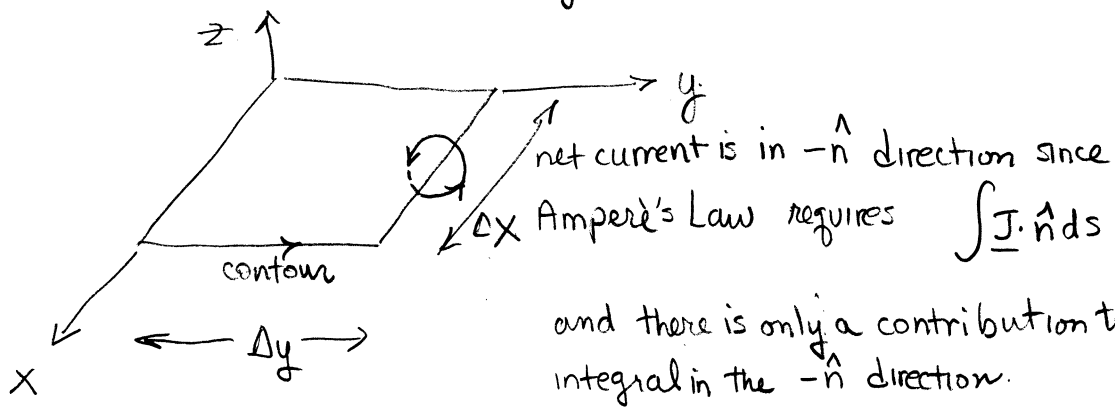
$$\underline{M} = N \underline{m} = N \underline{I ds}$$

microscopic dipole moment
density of magnetic dipoles/unit volume



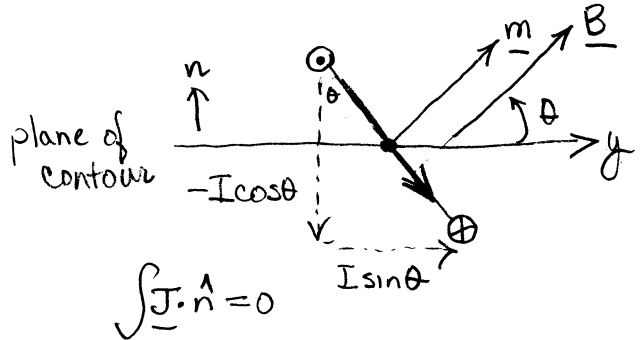
Consider a magnetic dipole in the interior of the slice.

The only place a microscopic current loop will give a non-zero net current is if it is at the edges.



and there is only a contribution to the integral in the $-\hat{n}$ direction.

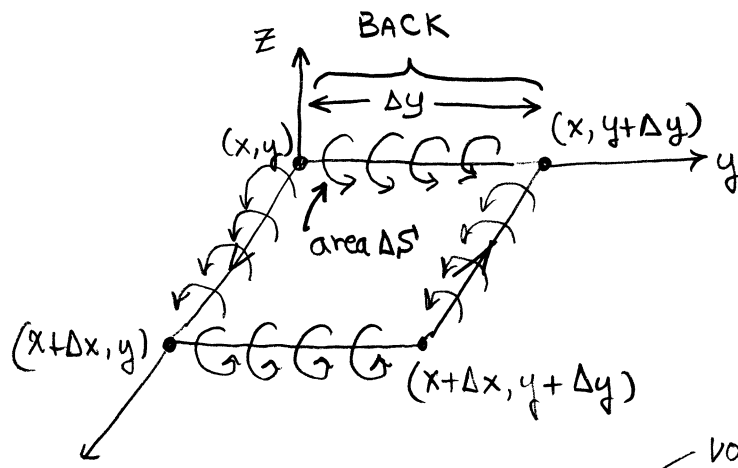
We need to know an expression for this net current
Start along back edge of surface (i.e., along y-axis)



magnetic dipole at angle θ to plane

Note that there is no dependence on the x-y dependence of \underline{B} only the angle.

EXCEPT AT EDGES! For the back side and \underline{B} in the xz plane the current contribution would be $-I \cos \theta$.



$$I_z^{(B)} = \int \underline{J} \cdot \hat{n} \, dS \quad = \quad N \left(-I \cos \theta \right) \Big|_x \, \underbrace{dS \Delta y}_{\text{volume is cross section times } \Delta y}$$

along back edge at $x=0$

re-write in terms of definitions $\underline{M} = N I \underline{dS}$

$N I \cos \theta \, dS$ is y -component of \underline{M} at x

as $I_z^{(B)} = - M_y \Big|_x \Delta y$

Do exactly same thing on front edge at $x+\Delta x$

$$I_z^{(F)} = + M_y \Big|_{x+\Delta x} \Delta y$$

If we look at dipoles on side edges and do same thing we get.

$$I_z^{(L)} = + M_x \Big|_y \Delta x$$

$$I_z^{(R)} = - M_x \Big|_{y+\Delta y} \Delta x$$

$$I_z^{(\text{total})} = (M_y \Big|_{x+\Delta x} - M_y \Big|_x) \Delta y - (M_x \Big|_{y+\Delta y} - M_x \Big|_y) \Delta x$$

$$J_z^{(\text{total})} = \frac{I_z^{(\text{total})}}{\Delta x \Delta y} = \frac{M_y \Big|_{x+\Delta x} - M_y \Big|_x}{\Delta x} - \frac{M_x \Big|_{y+\Delta y} - M_x \Big|_y}{\Delta y} \rightarrow \frac{\partial M_y}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial M_x}{\partial y}$$

to recognize what this actually is mathematically consider

$$(\nabla \times \underline{M})_z = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{x} & \hat{y} & \hat{z} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ M_x & M_y & M_z \end{vmatrix} \cdot \hat{z} = \frac{\partial M_y}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial M_x}{\partial y}$$

\Rightarrow surface current density in the z-direction is given by the z-component of the curl of the magnetization.

$$J_z = (\nabla \times M)_z$$

Can do in other directions as well

$$J_x = (\nabla \times M)_x$$

$$J_y = (\nabla \times M)_y$$

so vectorially

$$\underline{J} = \nabla \times \underline{M}$$

Relationship between \underline{B} and \underline{H}

for free space $\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{B} = \mu_0 \underline{J}$

Magnetic material can have currents $\underline{J}_m = \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{M}$ of magnetic origin as well as free currents.

In general,

$$\underline{J} = \underbrace{\underline{J}_f}_{\substack{\text{free currents} \\ \text{sources for magnetic} \\ \text{materials}}} + \underbrace{\underline{J}_m}_{\substack{\text{induced currents from} \\ \text{magnetic dipoles or} \\ \text{magnetic materials}}}$$

$$\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{H} = \underline{J}_f + \underline{J}_m$$

$$\underline{\nabla} \times \frac{\underline{B}}{\mu_0} = \underline{J}_f + \underline{J}_m = \underline{J}_f + \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{M}$$

$$\underline{\nabla} \times \left(\frac{\underline{B}}{\mu_0} - \underline{M} \right) = \underline{J}_f$$

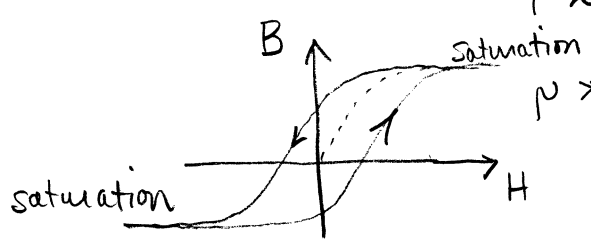
$$\therefore \frac{\underline{B}}{\mu_0} - \underline{M} = \underline{H} \quad \text{or} \quad \underline{B} = \mu_0 (\underline{H} + \underline{M}) = \mu \underline{H}$$

this is deceptively written as $\mu = \mu(H)$

$\mu \lesssim \mu_0$ diamagnetic, orbital motion of electrons

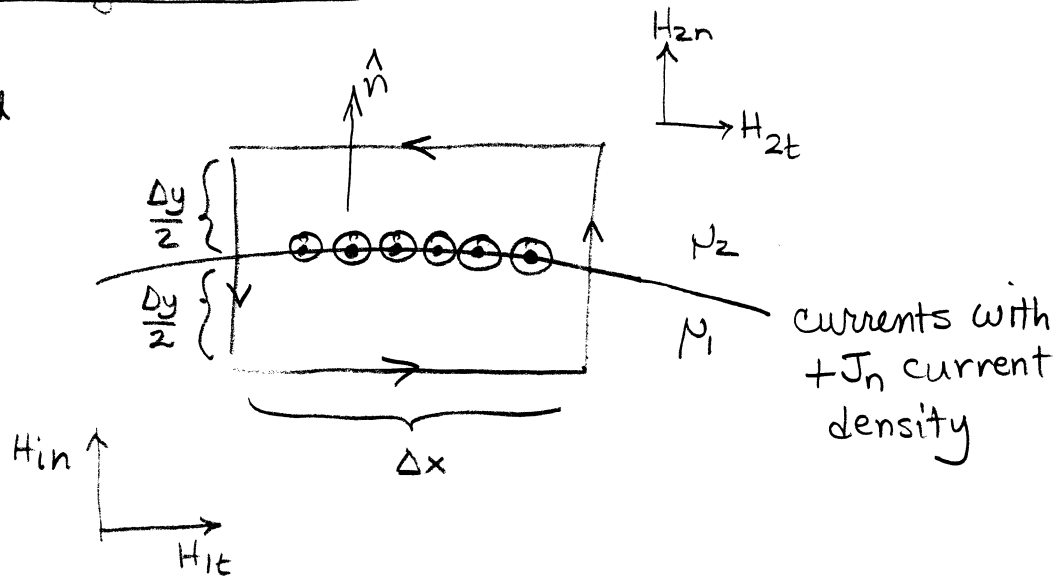
$\mu \gtrsim \mu_0$ paramagnetic, due to electron spin

$\mu \gg \mu_0$ ferromagnetic, ferrimagnetic due to electron spin



Magnetic Boundary Conditions

tangential



Ampere's Law
$$\oint_C \underline{H} \cdot d\underline{\ell} = \int_S \underline{J} \cdot \hat{n} ds$$

$$\begin{aligned} \oint \underline{H} \cdot d\underline{\ell} &= H_{1t} \Delta x + H_{1n} \frac{\Delta y}{2} + H_{2n} \frac{\Delta y}{2} - H_{2t} \Delta x - H_{2n} \frac{\Delta y}{2} - H_{1n} \frac{\Delta y}{2} \\ &= (H_{1t} - H_{2t}) \Delta x \end{aligned}$$

$$\oint \underline{J} \cdot \hat{n} ds = +J_n \Delta x \Delta y \quad \text{where } J_n \text{ is the normal current density}$$

Equating

$$(H_{1t} - H_{2t}) \Delta x = J_n \Delta x \Delta y$$

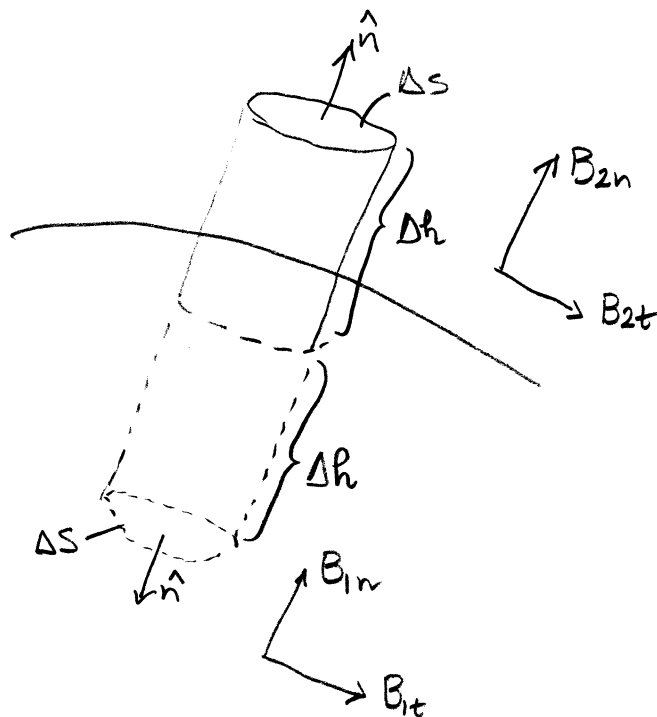
$$H_{1t} - H_{2t} = J_n \Delta y \rightarrow K_s \text{ as } \Delta y \rightarrow 0$$

leaves surface
current density

Vectorially
$$\hat{n} \times (\underline{H}_2 - \underline{H}_1) = \underline{K}$$

For permanent magnets

$$\hat{n} \times (\underline{m}_2 - \underline{m}_1) = \underline{K}_m \quad (\text{equivalent surface current})$$

normal

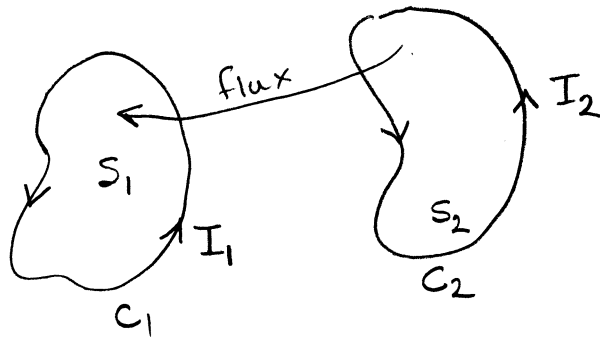
$$\oint \underline{B} \cdot \hat{n} \, dS = 0$$

For this surface there will be NO contribution from sides as long as cylinder is small enough that \underline{B} is uniform

From the ends only

$$\oint \underline{B} \cdot \underline{dS} = -B_{1n} \Delta S + B_{2n} \Delta S = 0$$

$$\therefore B_{1n} = B_{2n}$$

Inductance

Self Inductance $L_{11} \triangleq \frac{\Phi_{11}}{I_1}$ flux linking C_1 due to current in C_1

Mutual Inductance $L_{ij} \triangleq \frac{\Phi_{ij}}{I_i}$ flux linking C_j due to current in C_i
current in C_i

Example of self-inductance:

Beginning with result for single loop $H_z(\text{total}) \Big|_{z=0} = \frac{Ia^2}{2(a^2+z^2)^{3/2}} \Big|_{z=0}$

$$H_z(\text{total}) \Big|_{z=0} = \frac{Ia^2}{2(a^2)^{3/2}} = \frac{Ia^2}{2a^3} = \frac{Ia}{2}$$

$$B_z(\text{total}) \Big|_{z=0} = \mu_0 \frac{Ia}{2}$$

The flux is then $\Phi_{11} = \frac{\mu_0 Ia}{2} \cdot \pi a^2$

The inductance is $L_{11} = \frac{\frac{\mu_0 Ia \pi a^2}{2}}{I} = \frac{\mu_0 \pi a^3}{2}$