
PHY481: Electromagnetism

Constant currents and magnetic fields

Magnetic force and field

Magnetic force: $\mathbf{F} = q\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}$

Perpendicular to direction of motion

Magnetic forces do no work $\Delta KE = 0$

Circular motion: $\mathbf{v}_0 \perp \mathbf{B}$

Centripetal acceleration caused by magnetic force. $\omega = v/R = qB/m$

$\mathbf{v}_0 \nparallel \mathbf{B}$

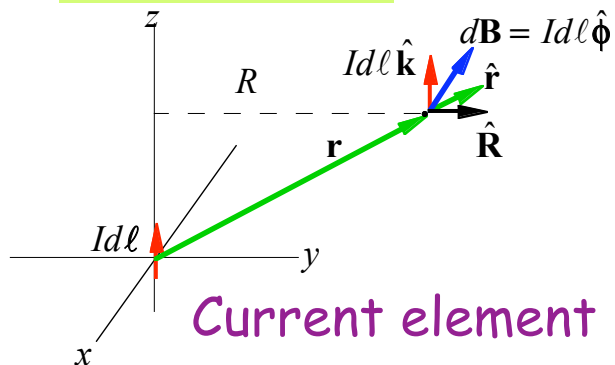
Helical motion. Helix has radius and pitch

Crossed \mathbf{E} and \mathbf{B} : $\mathbf{E} \perp \mathbf{B}$

Exists an un-deflected velocity $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B} / B^2$

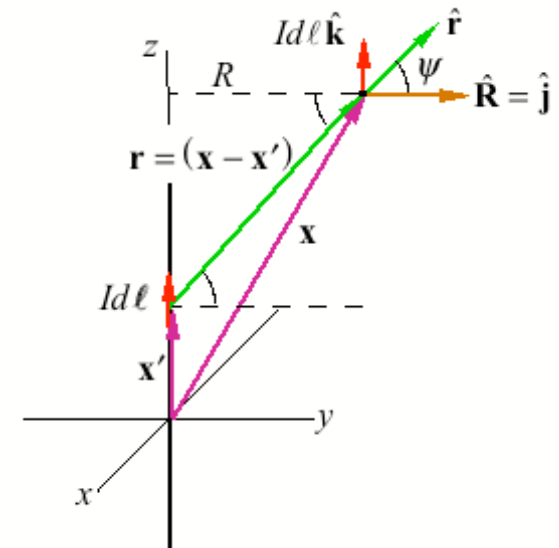
Currents make magnetic fields: Biot-Savart Law

$$d\mathbf{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{Id\ell \times \hat{\mathbf{r}}}{r^2}$$



$$\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int_{\text{wire}} \frac{Id\ell \times (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}')}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|^3}$$

Wire carries current



Magnetic field of long wire carrying current

(the hard way)

$$\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int_{\text{wire}} \frac{Id\ell \times (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}')}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|^3}$$

$$\mathbf{x} = R\hat{\mathbf{R}} + z\hat{\mathbf{k}} \quad \mathbf{x}' = z'\hat{\mathbf{k}} \quad d\ell = dz'\hat{\mathbf{k}}$$

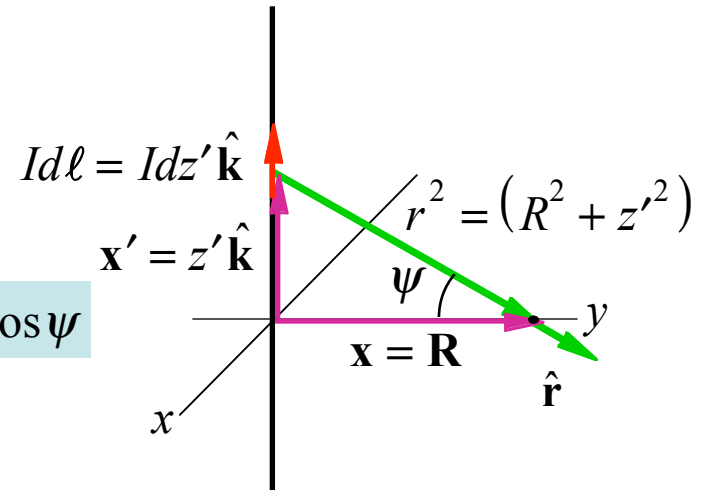
Magnetic field does not depend on z .
Any z will do. Pick $z = 0$ to simplify

$$\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dz' \hat{\mathbf{k}} \times \hat{\mathbf{r}}}{(R^2 + z'^2)}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{r}} = \hat{\mathbf{R}} \cos \psi - \hat{\mathbf{k}} \sin \psi$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{k}} \times \hat{\mathbf{r}} = \hat{\mathbf{k}} \times \hat{\mathbf{R}} \cos \psi = \hat{\phi} \cos \psi$$

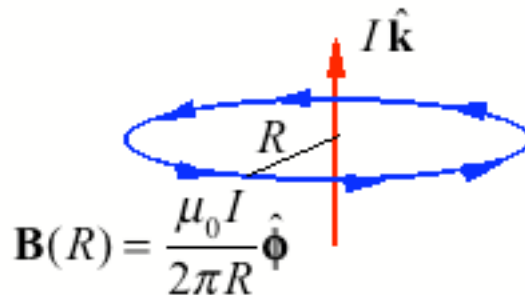
$$\cos \psi = R / (R^2 + z'^2)^{1/2}$$



$$\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\mu_0 IR}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dz'}{(R^2 + z'^2)^{3/2}} \hat{\phi}$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dz'}{(R^2 + z'^2)^{3/2}} = \left[\frac{z'}{R^2 \sqrt{R^2 + z'^2}} \right]_{-\infty}^{\infty} = \frac{2}{R^2}$$

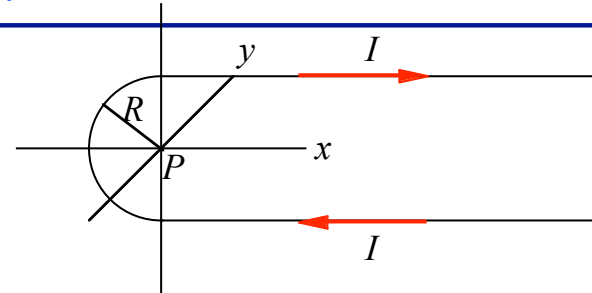
$$\mathbf{B}(R) = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi R} \hat{\phi}$$



Magnetic field

More magnetic fields

Field at center of a narrow loop
= 2 straight wires + 1/2 ring



Field of long straight wire *end* of long wire

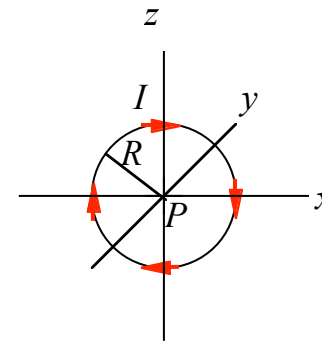
$$\mathbf{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi R} \hat{\phi}$$

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Field at center of a current ring

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{B} &= \int d\mathbf{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{Id\ell \times (-R\hat{\mathbf{r}})}{R^3} \\ &= \hat{\mathbf{j}} \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi R^2} \int_0^{2\pi} R d\phi = \hat{\mathbf{j}} \frac{\mu_0 I}{2R} \end{aligned}$$

$-R\hat{\mathbf{r}}$ because \mathbf{r} points
from $d\ell$ to P



Field at center of 1/2 a current ring

$$\mathbf{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4R} \hat{\phi}$$

Field at center of narrow loop

$$\mathbf{B} = \hat{\mathbf{j}} \frac{\mu_0 I}{2R} \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{\pi} \right)$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \hat{\mathbf{j}} \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi R} (\pi + 2)$$

More magnetic fields

Field on axis of current loop

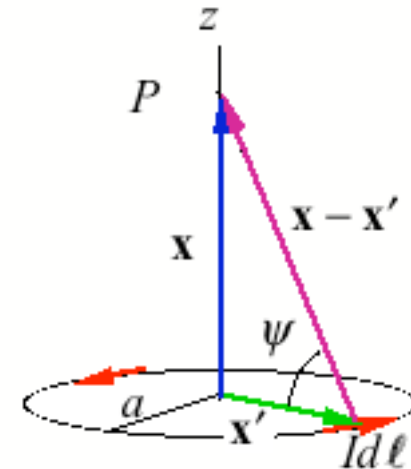
$$\mathbf{x} = z\hat{\mathbf{k}}; \quad \mathbf{x}' = R\hat{\mathbf{R}}; \quad Id\ell = ad\phi\hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}}$$

$$\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}' = z\hat{\mathbf{k}} - a\hat{\mathbf{R}}$$

$$r\hat{\mathbf{r}} = \sqrt{a^2 + z^2} (\hat{\mathbf{k}} \sin \psi - \hat{\mathbf{R}} \cos \psi)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}} \times \hat{\mathbf{r}} &= \hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}} \times \hat{\mathbf{k}} \sin \psi - \hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}} \times \hat{\mathbf{R}} \cos \psi \\ &= +\hat{\mathbf{R}} \sin \psi + \hat{\mathbf{k}} \cos \psi \end{aligned}$$

$$\cos \psi = a / \sqrt{a^2 + z^2}$$



Component in \mathbf{R} direction will cancel in the integral over ϕ

$$\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{Id\ell \times (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') d^3x'}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|^3}$$

$$\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\mu_0 I a^2}{4\pi} \int \frac{d\phi \hat{\mathbf{k}}}{(a^2 + z^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\mu_0 I a^2}{2(a^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} \hat{\mathbf{k}}$$

Ampere's Law

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

Magnetic fields are "solenoidal" (always true)

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

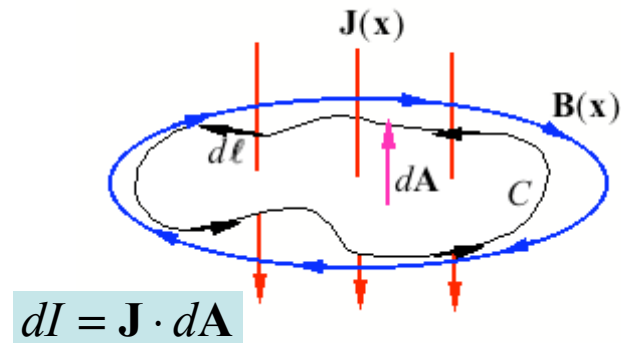
Ampere's Law (constant currents only.
Maxwell's equations have another term`

Integrate over a
surface element:

$$\oint_S (\nabla \times \mathbf{B}) \cdot \mathbf{n} dA = \mu_0 \oint_S \mathbf{J} \cdot d\mathbf{A}$$

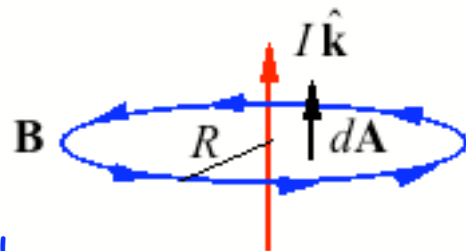
Apply Stokes's theorem:

$$\oint_C \mathbf{B} \cdot d\boldsymbol{\ell} = \mu_0 \oint_S \mathbf{J} \cdot d\mathbf{A}$$



$$\oint_C \mathbf{B} \cdot d\boldsymbol{\ell} = \mu_0 I_{encl}$$

Ampere's Law and symmetries
Straight wire (the easy way)



$$\oint_C \mathbf{B} \cdot d\boldsymbol{\ell} = \mu_0 I_{encl}$$

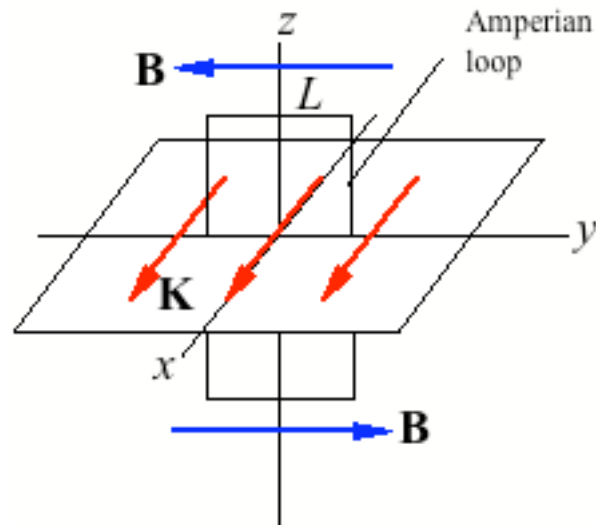
$$B_\phi 2\pi R = \mu_0 I$$

$$\mathbf{B}(R) = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi R} \hat{\phi}$$

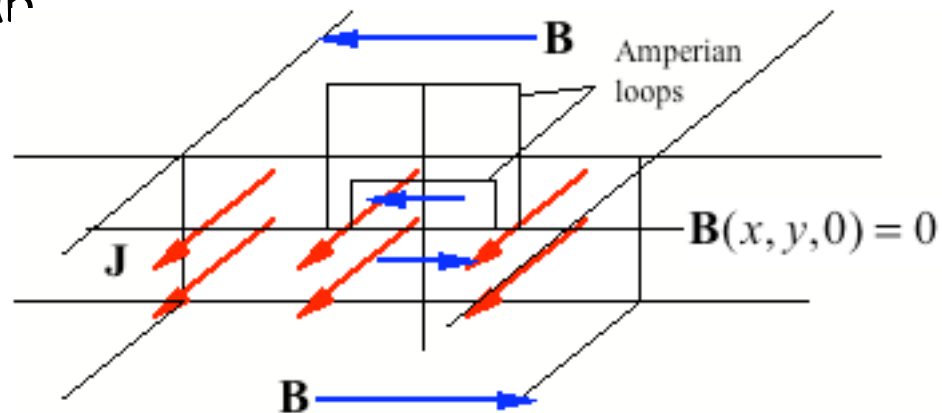
Right hand rule ...

More Ampere's law applications

Infinite current sheet



Infinite current slab



Ampere's law applications

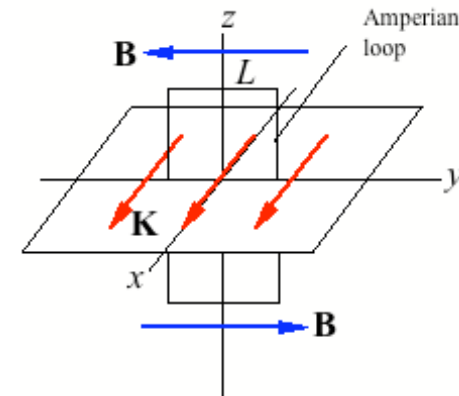
Each line of current creates a B field in -y direction above the plane and +y direction below.

Infinite current sheet

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \mathbf{J} \quad \oint \mathbf{B} \cdot d\ell = \mu_0 I_{encl} \quad I_{encl} = \mathbf{K} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{i}} L = KL$$

$$2BL = \mu_0 KL; \quad B = \frac{\mu_0 K}{2}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = -\frac{\mu_0 K}{2} \hat{\mathbf{j}} \quad z > 0; \quad \mathbf{B} = +\frac{\mu_0 K}{2} \hat{\mathbf{j}} \quad z < 0$$



B field on the center line must be zero

Inside

$$\oint \mathbf{B} \cdot d\ell = \mu_0 I_{encl}$$

Outside

$$I_{encl} = \int \mathbf{J} \cdot d\mathbf{A} = JLz$$

$$\oint \mathbf{B} \cdot d\ell = (-B\hat{\mathbf{j}})(-L\hat{\mathbf{j}}) = BL$$

$$\mathbf{B}_{top} = -\mu_0 Jz \hat{\mathbf{j}} \quad \mathbf{B}_{bottom} = \mu_0 Jz \hat{\mathbf{j}}$$

$$I_{encl} = \int \mathbf{J} \cdot d\mathbf{A} = JLa$$

$$\oint \mathbf{B} \cdot d\ell = BL$$

$$\mathbf{B}_{top} = -\mu_0 Ja \hat{\mathbf{j}} \quad \mathbf{B}_{bottom} = \mu_0 Ja \hat{\mathbf{j}}$$

Infinite current slab

