

Topic#2

Magnetostatics with Macroscopic Media

Jackson: Chapter 5, Sections 8-12

PHY 841 : magnetostatics in “empty space”;
Jackson Sections 5.1 - 5.7

PHY 842 : magnetostatics in the presence of
macroscopic media;

diamagnetic, paramagnetic, and ferromag-
netic media.

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Lecture 2-1 {Fri, 9-13}

Review of Microscopic Magnetostatics

Jackson Sections 5.1 – 5.6. (= *review*)

The microscopic field equations of
Magnetostatics

$$\operatorname{div} \vec{B} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \operatorname{curl} \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J}$$

$$\text{where} \quad \operatorname{div} \vec{J} = 0$$

Here $\vec{B}(\vec{x})$ and $\vec{J}(\vec{x})$ are independent of t .

Section 5-1

Introduction and Definitions

$\vec{N} = \vec{\mu} \times \vec{B}$	\vec{B} = magnetic induction
$\partial\rho/\partial t + \nabla \cdot \vec{J} = 0$	magnetostatics, $\nabla \cdot \vec{J} = 0$

Section 5-2

Biot and Savart Law

$d\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I d\vec{l} \times \vec{r}}{4\pi r^3}$	constant current
$\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 q \vec{v} \times \vec{r}}{4\pi r^3}$	nonrelativistic particle

For a long straight wire,

$$\vec{B}(\vec{x}) = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi R} \hat{e}_\phi$$

Section 5-3 Ampere's Law

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

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

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \quad [\text{the homogeneous equation}]$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J} \quad [\text{the inhomogeneous equation}]$$

Ampère's law

$$\text{or, } \oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{s} = \mu_0 I_{\text{through}}$$

Section 5-4 The Vector Potential

We have $\text{div } \vec{B} = 0$.

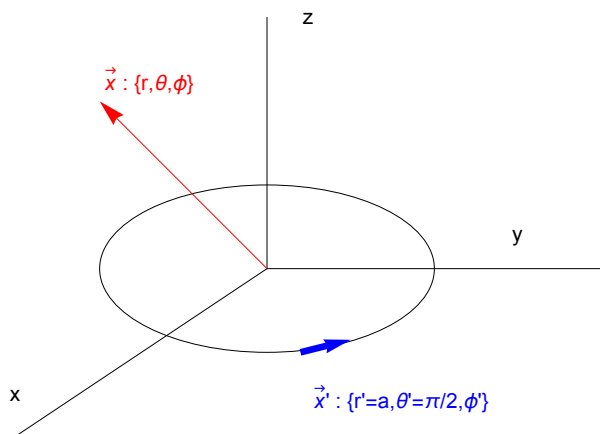
Therefore we can write $\vec{B} = \text{curl } \vec{A}$.

Because of gauge invariance, we can also require $\text{div } \vec{A} = 0$; this is called *the Coulomb gauge*. Then

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

Section 5-5

Example: a circular current loop (Fig 5.5)



$$\vec{J}(\vec{x}) = J_\phi(\theta, \phi) \hat{e}_\phi$$

$$J_\phi = \frac{I}{a} \delta(\cos \theta) \delta(r-a)$$

⇒ the vector potential

$$A_\phi(r, \theta, \phi) = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi a} \int r'^2 dr' d\Omega'$$

$$\cdot \frac{\cos(\phi - \phi') \delta(\cos \theta') \delta(r' - a)}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|}$$

$$|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'| = \sqrt{r^2 + (r')^2 - 2rr' \sin \theta \cos(\phi - \phi')}$$

{the tricky factor $\cos(\phi - \phi') = \hat{e}_\phi(\phi) \cdot \hat{e}_\phi(\phi')$ }

Do the integral . ⇒ Result is

$$\xi = \frac{4a r \sin \theta}{a^2 + r^2 - 2a r \sin \theta}$$

$$A_\phi(r, \theta) = \frac{\mu_0 I a}{\pi} (a^2 + r^2 - 2a r \sin \theta)^{-1/2} \cdot$$

$$\cdot \left\{ \frac{2+\xi}{\xi} K(-\xi) - \frac{2}{\xi} E(-\xi) \right\}$$

Here K and E are Elliptic Integral Functions, as defined in Mathematica. (I think Jackson uses slightly different notations for these functions.)

Jackson gives some other equations, in terms of spherical harmonic functions, $Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$.

With Mathematica, or some other computer language, the expansion in spherical harmonics is kind of unnecessary.

$$a = 1;$$

$$\xi = 4*a*r*\text{Sin}[\theta]/(a^2 + r^2 - 2*a*r*\text{Sin}[\theta]);$$

$$A\phi[r_, \theta_] = \text{CONST} * \text{Power}[a^2 + r^2 - 2*a*r*\text{Sin}[\theta], -1/2] * ((2 + \xi)/\xi * \text{EllipticK}[-\xi] - 2/\xi * \text{EllipticE}[-\xi]);$$

$$Br[r_, \theta_] = 1/(r*\text{Sin}[\theta]) * D[\text{Sin}[\theta] * A\phi[r, \theta], \theta];$$

$$B\theta[r_, \theta_] = -1/r * D[r * A\phi[r, \theta], r];$$

$$cc = \{r \rightarrow \text{Sqrt}[x^2 + z^2], \theta \rightarrow \text{ArcTan}[z, x]\};$$

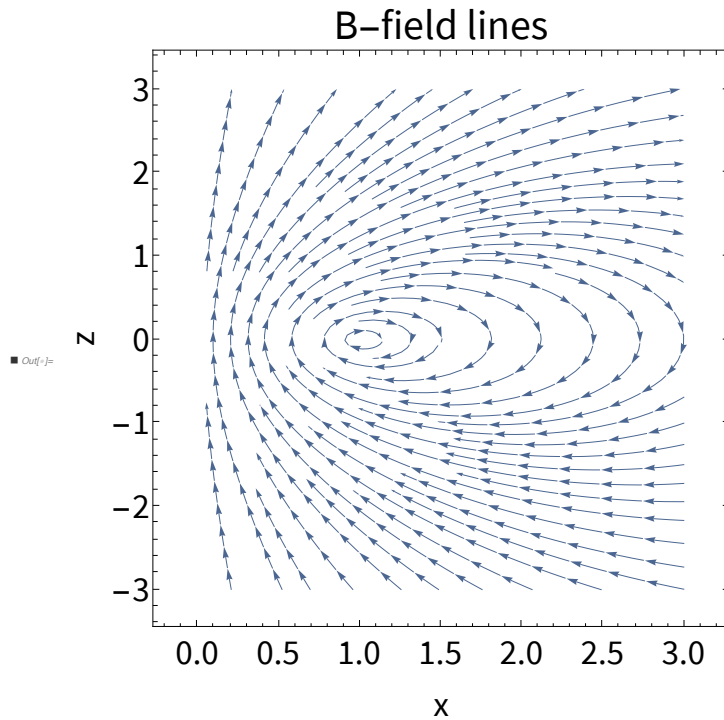
$$(* \text{check} *) \{\theta /. cc /. \{x \rightarrow 1, z \rightarrow 0.1\}, \text{Tan}[1.47113]\};$$

$$Bx[x_, z_] = Br[r, \theta] * \text{Sin}[\theta] + B\theta[r, \theta] * \text{Cos}[\theta] /. cc;$$

$$Bz[x_, z_] = Br[r, \theta] * \text{Cos}[\theta] - B\theta[r, \theta] * \text{Sin}[\theta] /. cc;$$

$$(* \text{check} *) \{Bx[2.0, 0.01], Bz[2.0, 0.01]\};$$

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StreamPlot[{Bx[x, z], Bz[x, z]}, {x, 0.01, 3}, {z, -3, 3},
FrameLabel -> {"x", "z"}, PlotLabel -> "B-field lines", ImageSize
-> Large, BaseStyle -> ff]
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$$\xi = \frac{4 a r \sin \theta}{a^2 + r^2 - 2 a r \sin \theta}$$

$$A_\phi(r, \theta) = \frac{\mu_0 I a}{\pi} (a^2 + r^2 - 2 a r \sin \theta)^{-1/2} \left\{ \frac{2 + \xi}{\xi} K(-\xi) - \frac{2}{\xi} E(-\xi) \right\}$$

The limit $a \rightarrow 0$; or, equivalently $r \gg a$

$$\xi \approx \frac{4 a \sin \theta}{r}$$

$$K(-\xi) \approx \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi \xi}{8} + \frac{9 \pi \xi^2}{128}$$

$$\text{and } E(-\xi) \approx \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\pi \xi}{8} - \frac{3 \pi \xi^2}{128}$$

$$A_\phi(r, \theta) \approx \frac{\mu_0 I a}{\pi r} \left[\frac{2}{\xi} \left(-\frac{\pi \xi}{4} + \frac{12 \pi \xi^2}{128} \right) + \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi \xi}{8} \right]$$

$$A_\phi(r, \theta) \approx \frac{\mu_0 I a}{\pi r} \frac{\pi \xi}{16} = \frac{\mu_0 I \pi a^2}{4 \pi} \frac{\sin \theta}{r^2}$$

which is the vector potential of a pointlike magnetic dipole; $\frac{\mu_0}{4 \pi} \frac{\vec{m} \times \vec{r}}{r^3}$.