

# Chapter 5 Magnetostatics

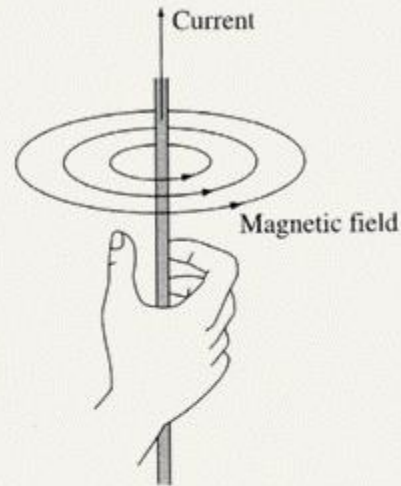
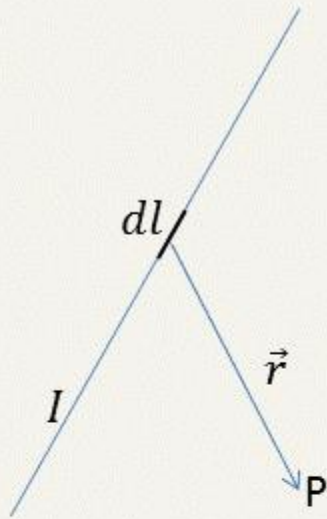
5.1 The Lorentz Force Law

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## 5.1.2 Magnetic Force



(a) Currents in opposite directions repel.

Moving charges (currents) produce magnetic fields,

Biot-Savart Law: for a steady line current

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

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

tesla (T)

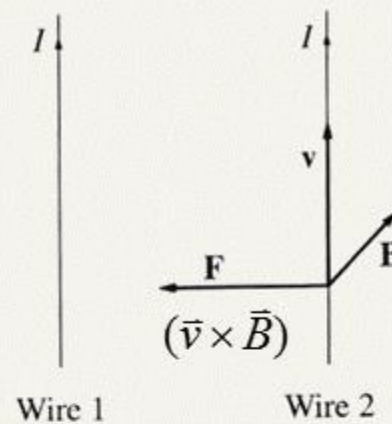
$$1 \text{ tesla} = 1 \frac{N}{A \cdot m}$$

cgs : gauss

$$1 T = 10^4 \text{ gauss}$$

$$\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \frac{N}{A^2} \quad \text{Permeability of free space}$$

## 5.1.2 Magnetic Force

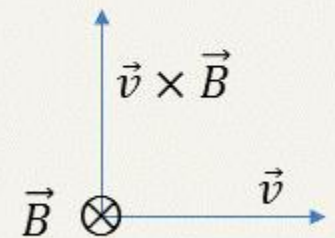


A particle moving in a magnetic field is subjected to a magnetic force

$$\vec{F}_{mag} = Q(\vec{v} \times \vec{B}) \quad \text{Lorentz Force Law}$$

Magnetic forces do not work for a moving charge  $Q$   $d\vec{l} = \vec{v}dt$

$$\begin{aligned} dW_{mag} &= \vec{F}_{mag} \cdot d\vec{l} \\ &= Q(\vec{v} \times \vec{B}) \cdot \vec{v}dt \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

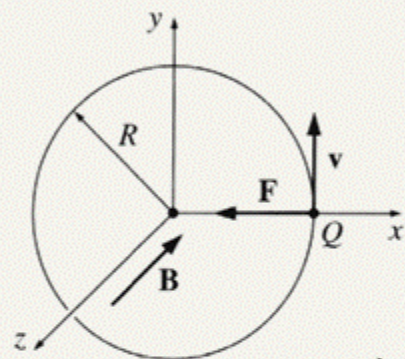


When both electrical and magnetic fields present:

$$\vec{F} = Q[\vec{E} + (\vec{v} \times \vec{B})]$$

## Example: Motion of a charge particle perpendicular to magnetic field (cyclotron motion)

Since the magnetic force is always perpendicular to the direction of motion, it moves in a circular path.



$$\vec{F}_{mag} = QvB$$

This acts as the centripetal force

$$\vec{F}_{centripetal} = m \frac{v^2}{R} = QvB \Rightarrow mv \cdot \frac{v}{R} = QvB$$

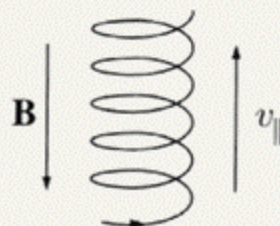
momentum  $p = mv = QBR$

period  $\frac{2\pi R}{v} = \frac{m}{QB}$

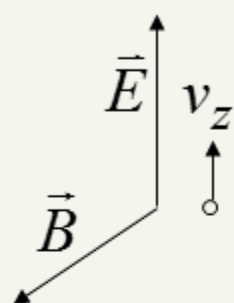
frequency  $\omega_c = \frac{QB}{m}$

cyclotron frequency

If the motion is not perpendicular, parallel component of the motion is not affected, so the particle moves in a spiral.



Example: When there is an electric field perpendicular to magnetic field, and if a particle is moving.



$$\vec{F}_B = qv_z B \hat{y}$$

Suppose particle is released at rest at the origin  $\mathbf{v}(t = 0) = 0$

$$m \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = q(\vec{E} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B}) \quad v_y = \frac{dy}{dt} \quad v_z = \frac{dz}{dt} \quad \vec{E} = E\hat{z} \quad \vec{B} = B\hat{x}$$

$$m \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} = q \frac{dz}{dt} B \quad m \frac{d^2 z}{dt^2} = q \left( E - \frac{dy}{dt} B \right)$$

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} = \omega \frac{dz}{dt} \quad ; \quad \frac{d^2 z}{dt^2} = \omega \left( \frac{E}{B} - \frac{dy}{dt} \right) \quad \omega = \frac{qB}{m}$$

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$$y(t) = C_1 \cos \omega t + C_2 \sin \omega t + \frac{E}{B} t + C_3$$

$$z(t) = C_1 \cos \omega t + C_2 \sin \omega t + C_4$$

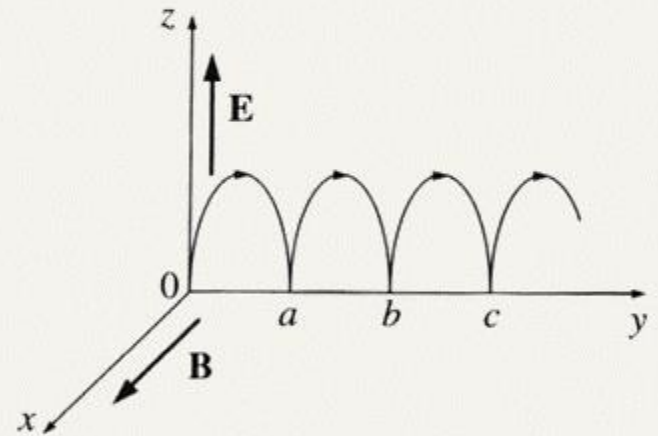
$$y(0) = z(0) = 0 \quad ; \quad \dot{y}(0) = \dot{z}(0) = 0$$

Initial conditions

$$y(t) = \frac{E}{\omega B} (\omega t - \sin \omega t)$$

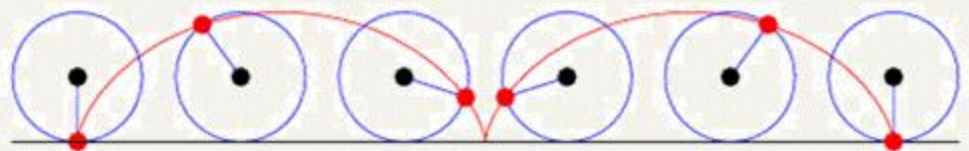
$$z(t) = \frac{E}{\omega B} (1 - \cos \omega t)$$

$$(y - R\omega t)^2 + (z - R)^2 = R^2 \quad R = \frac{E}{\omega B}$$



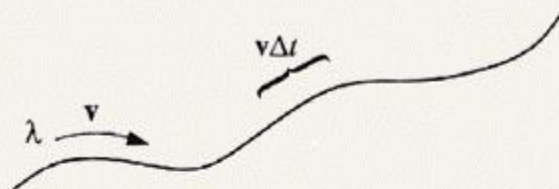
A circle of radius  $R$  whose center  $(0, \omega t, R)$  moving in  $y$  at a speed : Cycloid Motion

$$\omega R = \frac{E}{B}$$



## 5.1.3 Currents

The current in a wire is the charge per unit time passing a given point.



If the line charge density is  $\lambda$ , and the speed of charges is  $v$

$$\left( I = \frac{(\lambda v \Delta t)}{\Delta t} = \lambda v \quad \Rightarrow \vec{I} = \lambda \vec{v} \right)$$

Current is measured in Amperes  $1\text{A} = 1\text{ C/S}$

The magnetic force on a segment of current-carrying wire

$$\vec{F}_{mag} = \int (\lambda dl) (\vec{v} \times \vec{B}) = \int (\vec{I} \times \vec{B}) dl$$

$$= \int I (d\vec{l} \times \vec{B}) \qquad \vec{I} = Id\hat{l}$$

$$\vec{F}_{mag} = I \int (d\vec{l} \times \vec{B})$$

# Surface and Volume currents

When charges flows over a surface it is described by a surface current density

$$\vec{K} = \frac{d\vec{I}}{dl_{\perp}}$$

the current per unit length-perpendicular-to-flow

$$\vec{K} = \sigma \vec{v} \quad \sigma : \text{surface charge density}$$

The magnetic force on a surface current is

$$\vec{F}_{mag} = \int (\sigma da) (\vec{v} \times \vec{B}) = \int (\vec{K} \times \vec{B}) da$$

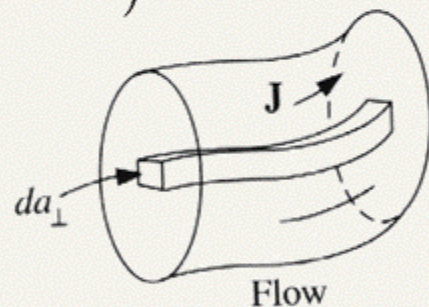
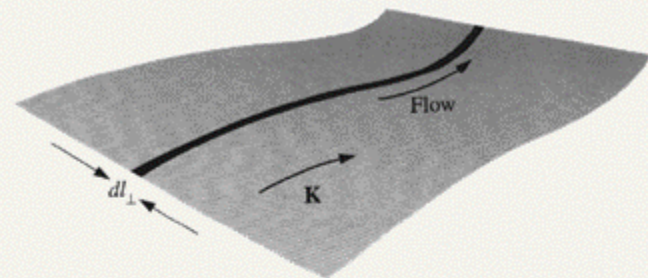
Similarly when the charges distributed throughout space it is described by a volume current density

volume current density, The current per unit area-perpendicular-to-flow

$$\vec{J} = \frac{d\vec{I}}{da_{\perp}} = \rho \vec{v}$$

The magnetic force on a volume current is

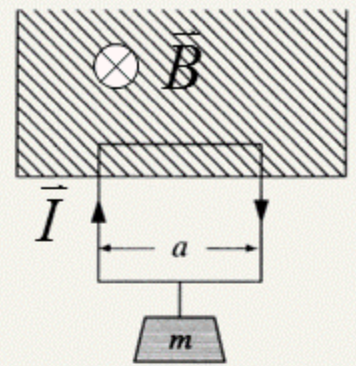
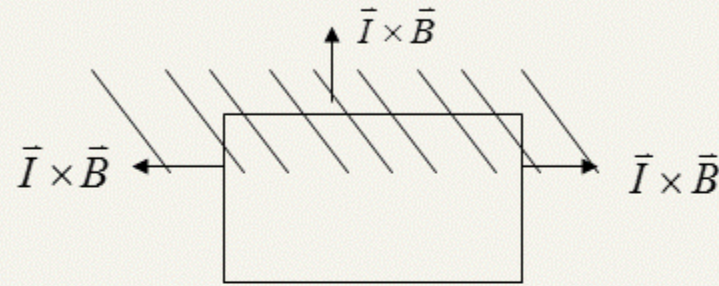
$$\vec{F}_{mag} = \int (\rho d\tau) (\vec{v} \times \vec{B}) = \int (\vec{J} \times \vec{B}) d\tau$$



Example: A mass  $m$  is hanging from a rectangular loop with one end in a uniform magnetic field  $B$ , what is the value of current needed to support  $m$ .

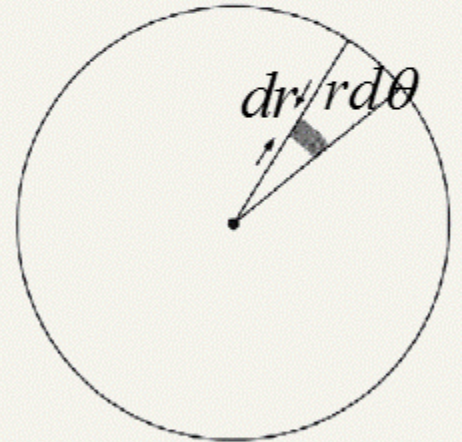
$$F_{mag} = IBa = mg$$

$$I = \frac{mg}{Ba}$$



The current density in circular wire of radius  $a$  is given by  $J = kr$ , find the total current in the wire.

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int J da = \int (kr) (r dr d\theta) \\ &= 2\pi k \int_0^R r^2 dr = \frac{2\pi k R^3}{3} \end{aligned}$$



# Continuity equation

Since the total current crossing a surface  $S$  :  $I = \int_S J d\alpha_{\perp} = \int_S \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{\alpha}$

total charge leaving a volume  $V$  is  $\oint_S \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{\alpha} = \int_V (\nabla \cdot \vec{J}) d\tau$

Due to charge conservation this is equal to the rate of change of total charge in the volume  $= -\frac{d}{dt} \int_V \rho d\tau = -\int_V \left( \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} \right) d\tau$

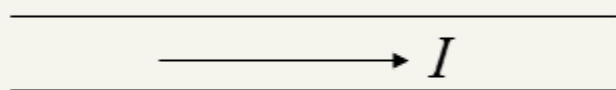
$$\int_V (\nabla \cdot \vec{J}) d\tau = -\int_V \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} d\tau$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Continuity equation} \quad \nabla \cdot \vec{J} = -\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t}$$

## 5.2.1 Steady Currents

Stationary charges  $\Rightarrow$  constant electric field: electrostatics

Steady currents  $\Rightarrow$  constant magnetic field: magnetostatics



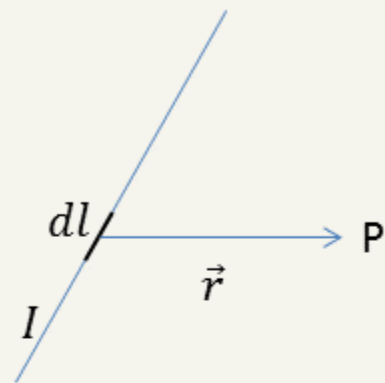
No time dependence

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial t} = 0, \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \nabla \cdot \vec{J} = 0$$

## 5.2.2 The Magnetic Field of a Steady Current

Moving charges (currents) produce magnetic fields,

Biot-Savart Law: for a steady line current



$$\begin{aligned}\vec{B}(p) &= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{\vec{I} \times \hat{r}}{r^2} dl \\ &= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} I \int \frac{d\vec{l} \times \hat{r}}{r^2}\end{aligned}$$

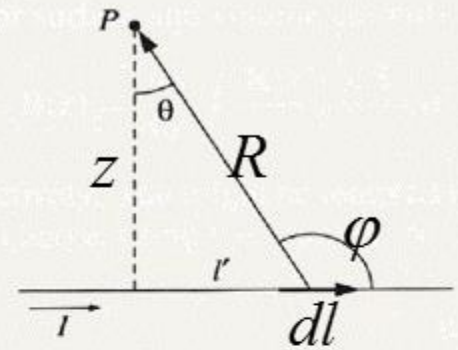
$$\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \frac{N}{A^2} \text{ Permeability of free space}$$

Since  $\vec{F}_{mag} = I \times \vec{B} dl$  unit of B is newton per ampere-meter, or tesla

$$\text{tesla (T)} \quad 1 \text{ tesla} = 1 \frac{N}{A \cdot m} \quad \text{cgs unit: gauss} \quad 1 T = 10^4 \text{ gauss}$$

Example: find the magnetic field a distance  $z$  from a long straight wire carrying a steady current  $I$

$$d\vec{l} \times \hat{R} = dl \sin \varphi = dl \cos \theta$$

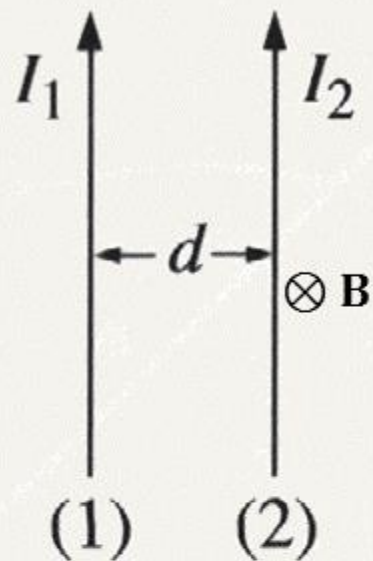


$$l = z \tan \theta \quad dl = z d \tan \theta = \frac{z}{\cos^2 \theta} d\theta, \quad \frac{z}{R} = \cos \theta, \quad \frac{1}{R^2} = \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{z^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} B &= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} I \int \frac{d\vec{l} \times \hat{R}}{R^2} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} I \int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} \left( \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{z^2} \right) \cos \theta \frac{z}{\cos^2 \theta} d\theta \\ &= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{I}{z} \int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} \cos \theta d\theta = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{I}{z} (\sin \theta_2 - \sin \theta_1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{In the case of an infinite wire, } \theta_1 = -\frac{\pi}{2}, \quad \theta_2 = \frac{\pi}{2}; \quad B = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi z}$$

Force between two current carrying parallel wires:

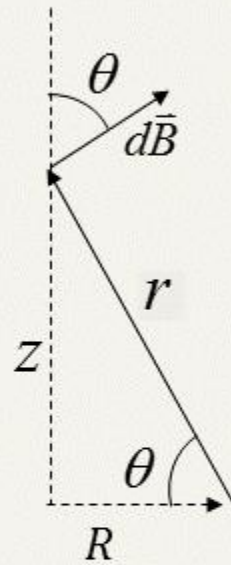
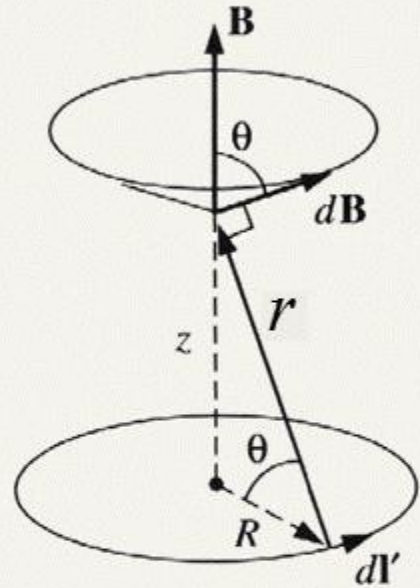


The field at (2) due to  $I_1$  is  $\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I_1}{2\pi d}$

$$\vec{F} = I_2 \left( \frac{\mu_0 I_1}{2\pi d} \right) \int dl$$

The force per unit length is  $f = \frac{\mu_0}{2\pi} \frac{I_1 I_2}{d}$

# Magnetic field from a circular current loop



$$\begin{aligned}\vec{B} &= \int d\vec{B} \cos \theta \hat{z} \\ &= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} I \int \frac{dl}{r^2} \cos \theta \hat{z} \\ &= \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \left( \frac{\cos \theta}{r^2} \right) 2\pi R \hat{z}\end{aligned}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{R}{r} \quad r = (R^2 + z^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2} \frac{R^2}{(R^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} \hat{z}$$

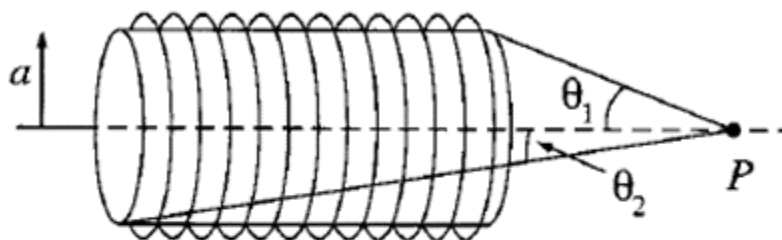


Figure 5.25

**Problem 5.11** Find the magnetic field at point  $P$  on the axis of a tightly wound solenoid (helical coil) consisting of  $n$  turns per unit length wrapped around a cylindrical tube of radius  $a$  and carrying current  $I$  (Fig. 5.25). Express your answer in terms of  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$  (it's easiest that way). Consider the turns to be essentially circular, and use the result of Ex. 5.6. What is the field on the axis of an *infinite* solenoid (infinite in both directions)?

## 5.3 Curl and Divergence of B

### 1. Straight line currents:

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

$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \oint \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi R} dl = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi R} \oint dl = \mu_0 I$$

For an arbitrary path

$$\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi R} \hat{\phi} \quad d\vec{l} = dr\hat{r} + r d\phi \hat{\phi} + dz\hat{z}$$

$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi} \oint \frac{1}{r} r d\phi = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi = \mu_0 I$$

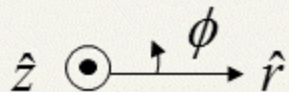
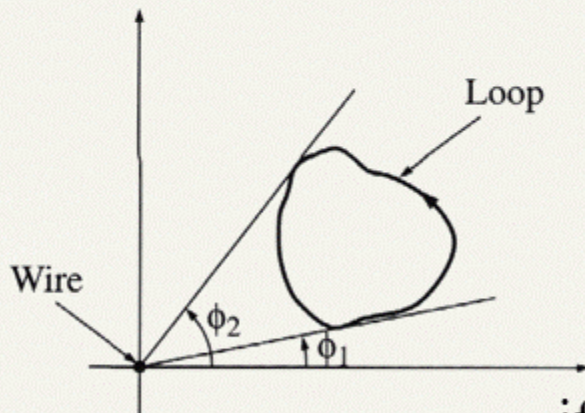
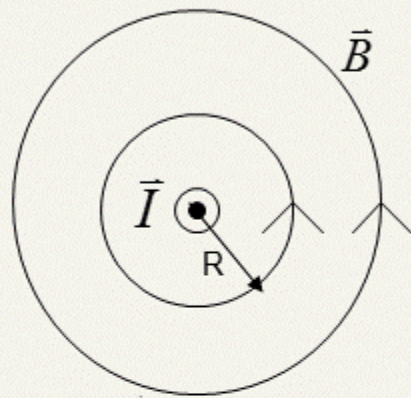
If the loop not enclosing the wire (current)

$$\int_{\phi_1}^{\phi_2} d\phi + \int_{\phi_2}^{\phi_1} d\phi = 0$$

$$\therefore \oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \mu_0 I_{enc};$$

if the current is distributed over an area  $I_{enc} = \int \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{a}$

$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \int (\nabla \times \vec{B}) \cdot d\vec{a} = \mu_0 \int \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{a} \Rightarrow \nabla \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J}$$



# 5.3 The Divergence and Curl of B

## 2. General case:

Biot-savart law for a volume current density

$$\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{\vec{J} \times \hat{r}}{r^2} d\tau'$$

$$\vec{r} = (x - x')\hat{i} + (y - y')\hat{j} + (z - z')\hat{k} \quad d\tau' = dx' dy' dz'$$

$$B(x, y, z), \quad J(x', y', z')$$

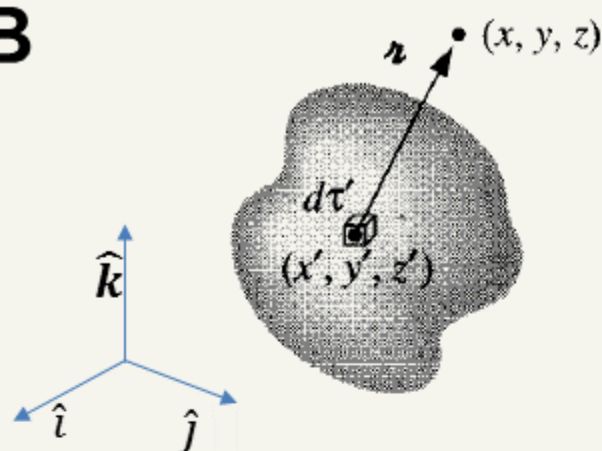
$$\nabla = \hat{i}\partial x + \hat{j}\partial y + \hat{k}\partial z \quad \nabla' = \hat{i}\partial x' + \hat{j}\partial y' + \hat{k}\partial z'$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \nabla \times \left( \vec{J} \times \frac{\hat{r}}{r^2} \right) d\tau'$$

$$\nabla \times (\vec{A} \times \vec{C}) = (\vec{C} \cdot \nabla) \vec{A} - (\vec{A} \cdot \nabla) \vec{C} + \vec{A}(\nabla \cdot \vec{C}) - \vec{C}(\nabla \cdot \vec{A})$$

$$\nabla \times \left( \vec{J} \times \frac{\hat{r}}{r^2} \right) = \underbrace{\left( \frac{\hat{r}}{r^2} \cdot \nabla \right) \vec{J}}_{\parallel \quad 0 \quad \because J(x', y', z')} - (\vec{J} \cdot \nabla) \frac{\hat{r}}{r^2} + \vec{J} \underbrace{\left( \nabla \cdot \frac{\hat{r}}{r^2} \right)}_{\parallel \quad 0 \quad \because J(x', y', z')} - \frac{\hat{r}}{r^2} (\nabla \cdot \vec{J})$$

$$= \underbrace{\vec{J} \left( \nabla \cdot \frac{\hat{r}}{r^2} \right)}_{4\pi\delta^3(\vec{r})} - (\vec{J} \cdot \nabla) \frac{\hat{r}}{r^2}$$



$$\nabla \times (\vec{J} \times \frac{\hat{r}}{r^2}) = \vec{J} 4\pi\delta^3(\vec{r}) - (\vec{J} \cdot \nabla) \frac{\hat{r}}{r^2}$$

$$\frac{\hat{r}}{r^2} = \frac{x-x'}{r^3} \hat{i} + \frac{y-y'}{r^3} \hat{j} + \frac{z-z'}{r^3} \hat{k}$$

$$\text{since } \frac{d}{dx} f(x-x') = -\frac{d}{dx'} f(x-x') \Rightarrow (\vec{J} \cdot \nabla) \frac{\hat{r}}{r^2} = -(\vec{J} \cdot \nabla') \frac{\hat{r}}{r^2}$$

$$\text{since } \nabla \cdot (f\vec{A}) = f(\nabla \cdot \vec{A}) + \vec{A} \cdot (\nabla f) \Rightarrow \vec{A} \cdot (\nabla f) = \nabla \cdot (f\vec{A}) - f(\nabla \cdot \vec{A})$$

$$(\vec{J} \cdot \nabla') \left( \frac{x-x'}{r^3} \right) = \nabla' \cdot \left[ \frac{x-x'}{r^3} \vec{J} \right] - \left( \frac{x-x'}{r^3} \right) (\nabla' \cdot \vec{J})$$

0 for steady currents

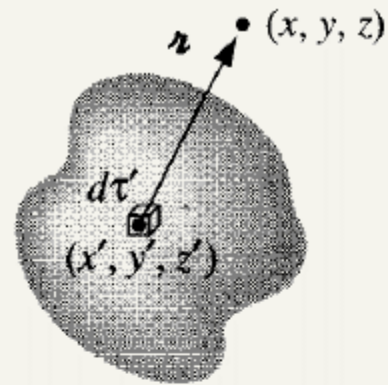
$$\int_{\text{volume}} \nabla' \cdot \left[ \frac{x-x'}{r^3} \vec{J} \right] d\tau' = \oint_{\text{surface}} \frac{x-x'}{r^3} \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{a} \rightarrow 0$$

For a surface far away

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

$$\nabla \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J}(\vec{r}) \quad \text{Ampere's law in differential form}$$

# Divergence of B



$$\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{\vec{J} \times \hat{r}}{r^2} d\tau'$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \nabla \cdot \left( \vec{J} \times \frac{\hat{r}}{r^2} \right) d\tau'$$

since  $\nabla \cdot (\vec{A} \times \vec{B}) = \vec{B} \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{A}) - \vec{A} \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{B})$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \cdot \left( \vec{J} \times \frac{\hat{r}}{r^2} \right) &= \frac{\hat{r}}{r^2} \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{J}) - \vec{J} \cdot (\nabla \times \frac{\hat{r}}{r^2}) \\ &\quad \parallel \quad \parallel \\ &0 \quad (\because J(x', y', z')) \quad 0 \quad (\because \nabla \times \nabla(1/r)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \nabla \times \vec{B} = 0$$

$$B(x, y, z), \quad J(x', y', z')$$

$$d\tau' = dx' dy' dz'$$

$$\nabla = \hat{i} \partial x + \hat{j} \partial y + \hat{z} \partial z$$

$$\nabla' = \hat{i} \partial x' + \hat{j} \partial y' + \hat{z} \partial z'$$

## 5.3.3 Applications of Ampere's Law

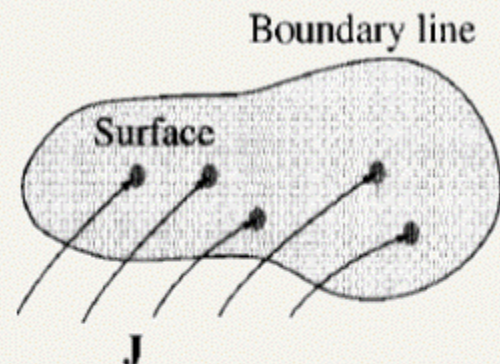
Ampere's Law in differential form

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

$$\int (\nabla \times \vec{B}) \cdot d\vec{a} = \oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \mu_0 \int \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{a} = \mu_0 I_{enc}$$

Ampere's Law in integral form

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



Electrostatics:

Coulomb law

Gauss law



Magnetostatics:

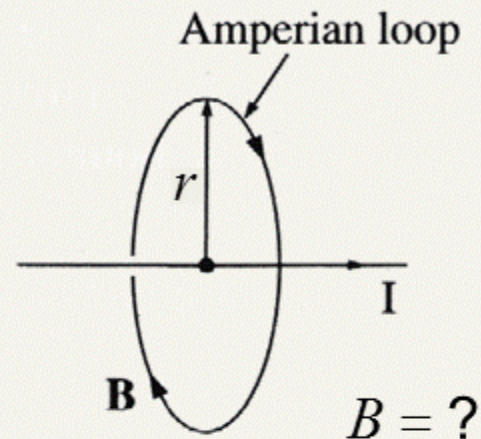
Bio-Savart law

Ampere law

**Example 1:** Find the magnetic field a distance  $r$  from Long straight wire carrying a current  $I$

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

$$B \oint dl = B \cdot 2\pi r = \mu_0 I \Rightarrow B = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi r}$$

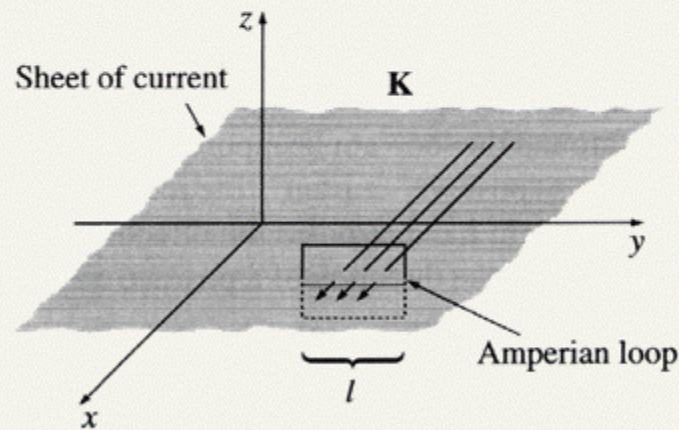


**Example 2:** Find the magnetic field of a surface current density  $K$  on a plane of infinite extent

$$B(z)[\hat{j}]$$

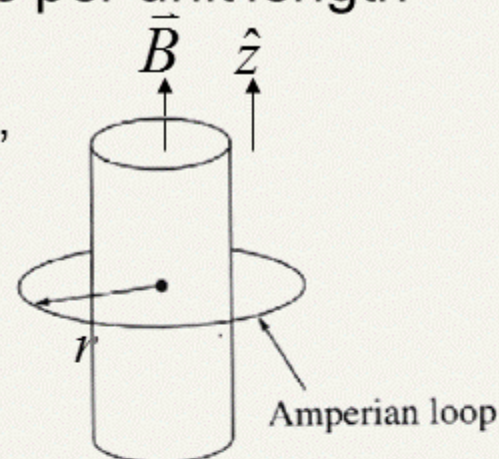
$$\oint B \cdot dl = \mu_0 I_{enc} = \mu_0 K l$$

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



**Example: Magnetic field of a long solenoid with  $n$  turns per unit length**

There cannot be a radial component  $B_r$   
 Otherwise when the current reversed  $B_r$  direction reverses, but reversing current is same as turning solenoid upside down, which should not affect the direction of  $B_r$ . So the field is along the axial direction



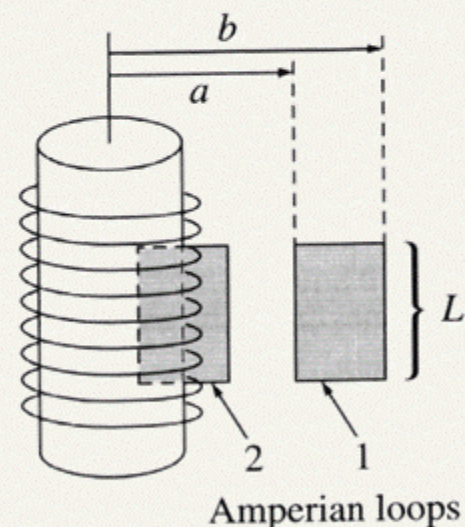
There cannot be a tangential component  $B_\phi$

$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = B_\phi \cdot 2\pi r = \mu_0 I_{enc} = 0 \Rightarrow B_\phi = 0$$

loop 1.

$$\oint_1 \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = [B(a) - B(b)]L = \mu_0 I_{enc} = 0 \Rightarrow B(a) = B(b)$$

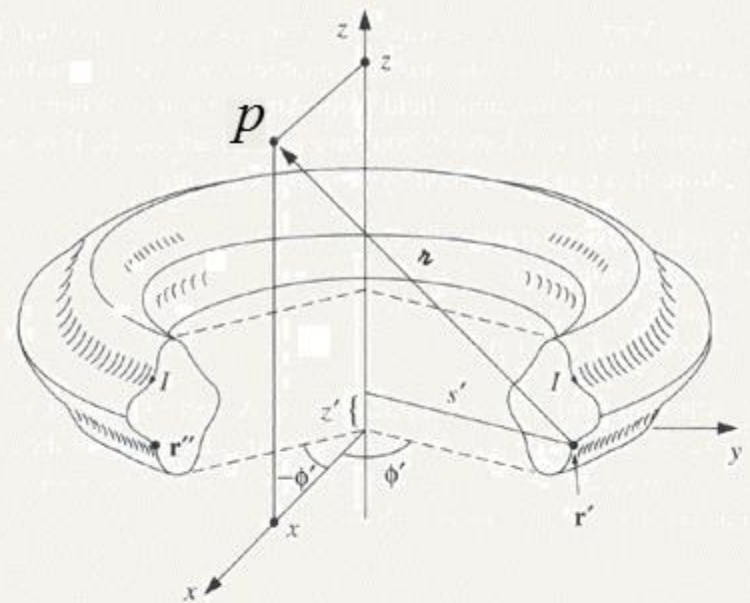
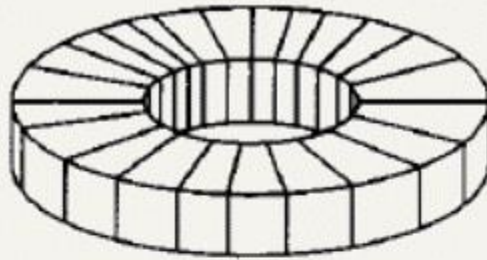
But the field  $\rightarrow 0$  for large  $r$  so field outside the solenoid is zero



loop 2. 
$$\oint_2 \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = BL = \mu_0 I_{enc} = \mu_0 N I L$$

$$B = \begin{cases} \mu_0 N I \hat{z} & \text{inside} \\ 0 & \text{outside} \end{cases}$$

# Magnetic field of a toroidal coil:



Solution:

$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{r} = \mu_0 I_{enc} \quad B(r) = \begin{cases} \frac{\mu_0 n I}{2\pi r} \hat{\phi} & \text{inside} \\ 0 & \text{outside} \end{cases}$$

### 5.3.3 (5)

$$\vec{B}(p) = ? \quad d\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{\vec{I} \times \vec{R}}{R^3} dl \quad \begin{array}{l} p = (x_0, 0, z_0) \\ r' = (r \cos \varphi, r \sin \varphi, z) \end{array}$$

$$\vec{R} = \vec{p} - \vec{r}' = (x_0 - r \cos \varphi, -r \sin \varphi, z_0 - z)$$

$$\vec{I} = I_r \hat{r} + I_z \hat{z} = (I_r \cos \varphi, I_r \sin \varphi, I_z)$$

$$(\because I_\varphi = 0)$$

$$\vec{I} \times \vec{R} = \varepsilon_{ijk} I_i R_j \hat{k}$$

$$= \hat{x}[I_y R_z - I_z R_y] + \hat{y}[I_z R_x - I_x R_z] + \hat{z}[I_x R_y - I_y R_x]$$

$$= \hat{x}[I_r \sin \varphi (z_0 - z) - I_z (-r \sin \varphi)] + \hat{y}[I_z (x_0 - r \cos \varphi)$$

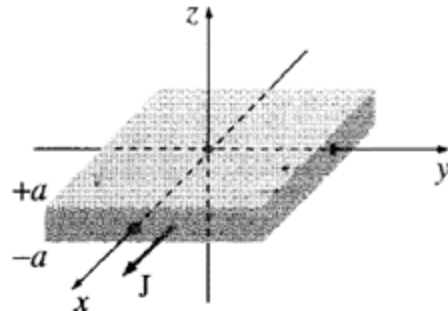
$$- I_r \cos \varphi (z_0 - z)] + \hat{z}[I_r \cos \varphi (-r \sin \varphi) - I_r \sin \varphi (x_0 - r \cos \varphi)]$$

$$= \hat{x}\{\sin \varphi [I_r (z_0 - z) + I_z r]\} + \hat{y}\{I_z x_0 - \cos \varphi [I_z r + I_r (z_0 - z)]\}$$

$$+ \hat{z}[-\sin \varphi I_r x_0]$$

$\hat{x}$  and  $\hat{z}$  components cancel out  $\because \sin \varphi$  from  $r'$  and  $r''$

$$\therefore \vec{I} \times \vec{R} = ( \quad ) \hat{y} = ( \quad ) \hat{\phi} \quad \vec{B} \text{ in } \hat{\phi}$$



**Problem 5.14** A thick slab extending from  $z = -a$  to  $z = +a$  carries a uniform volume current  $\mathbf{J} = J \hat{\mathbf{x}}$  (Fig. 5.41). Find the magnetic field, as a function of  $z$ , both inside and outside the slab.

**Problem 5.15** Two long coaxial solenoids each carry current  $I$ , but in opposite directions, as shown in Fig. 5.42. The inner solenoid (radius  $a$ ) has  $n_1$  turns per unit length, and the outer one (radius  $b$ ) has  $n_2$ . Find  $\mathbf{B}$  in each of the three regions: (i) inside the inner solenoid, (ii) between them, and (iii) outside both.

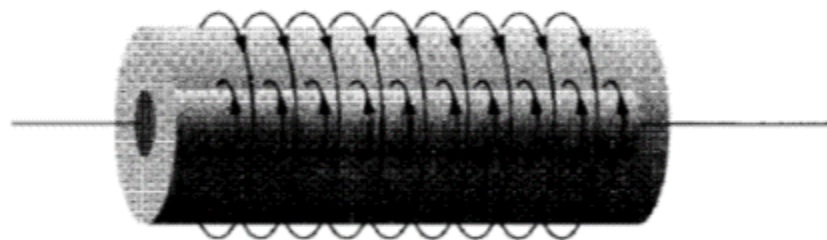


Figure 5.42

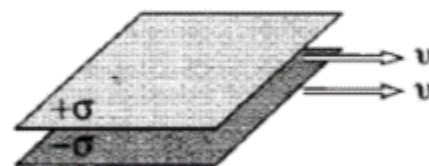


Figure 5.43

**Problem 5.16** A large parallel-plate capacitor with uniform surface charge  $\sigma$  on the upper plate and  $-\sigma$  on the lower is moving with a constant speed  $v$ , as shown in Fig. 5.43.

- Find the magnetic field between the plates and also above and below them.
- Find the magnetic force per unit area on the upper plate, including its direction.
- At what speed  $v$  would the magnetic force balance the electrical force?<sup>11</sup>

## 5.4.1 The Vector Potential

In electrostatics:  $\nabla \times \vec{E} = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{E} = -\nabla V$

In magnetostatics : since  $\nabla \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J}$  there is no  $U$  such that  $\vec{B} = \nabla U$   
but  $\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{B} = \nabla \times \vec{A}$

$\vec{A}$  is the vector potential in magnetostatics

$$\nabla \times \vec{B} = \nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{A}) = \nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{A}) - \nabla^2 \vec{A} = \mu_0 \vec{J}$$

Electric potential is determined up to a constant

$$\vec{E} = -\nabla V = -\nabla(V + C) = -\nabla V' \quad V' = V + C$$

Likewise the vector potential has an ambiguity

$$\vec{B} = \nabla \times \vec{A} = \nabla \times (\vec{A} + \nabla \lambda) \quad \lambda \text{ a scalar} \quad (\text{gauge freedom})$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{B} = \nabla \times \vec{A}' \quad \vec{A}' = \vec{A} + \nabla \lambda \quad (\text{a gauge transformation})$$

Using this freedom it is always possible to find  $\vec{A}$  such that  $\nabla \cdot \vec{A} = 0$

(gauge condition, this particular gauge is called the Coulomb gauge)

Suppose  $\nabla \cdot \vec{A} \neq 0$

$$\vec{A}' = \vec{A} + \nabla \lambda \quad \Rightarrow \quad \nabla \cdot \vec{A}' = \nabla \cdot \vec{A} + \nabla^2 \lambda$$

Now select  $\lambda$  such that  $\nabla^2 \lambda = -(\nabla \cdot \vec{A})$  so  $\nabla \cdot \vec{A}' = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla^2 V &= -\frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} & \text{so } \nabla^2 \lambda &= -(\nabla \cdot \vec{A}) \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int \frac{\nabla \cdot \vec{A}}{R} d\tau \\ V &= \frac{1}{4\pi} \int \frac{\rho}{R} d\tau \end{aligned}$$

So in this (Coulomb) gauge:

$$\nabla \times \vec{B} = \nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{A}) = \nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{A}) - \nabla^2 \vec{A} = \mu_0 \vec{J} \Rightarrow \boxed{\nabla^2 \vec{A} = -\mu_0 \vec{J}}$$

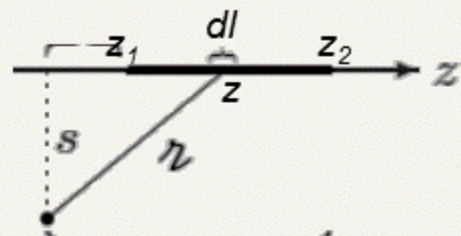
Ampere's Law

$$\boxed{\vec{A} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{\vec{J}}{R} d\tau} \quad \text{if } \vec{J}(\infty) = 0$$

$$\vec{A} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{\vec{J}}{R} d\ell = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \int \frac{\hat{\ell}}{R} d\ell; \quad \vec{A} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{\vec{K}}{R} da$$

Example: Find the magnetic vector potential of a finite segment of a straight wire carrying a current  $I$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A} &= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{I \hat{\mathbf{z}}}{r} dz = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \hat{\mathbf{z}} \int_{z_1}^{z_2} \frac{dz}{\sqrt{z^2 + s^2}} \\ &= \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \hat{\mathbf{z}} \left[ \ln \left( z + \sqrt{z^2 + s^2} \right) \right]_{z_1}^{z_2} = \boxed{\frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \ln \left[ \frac{z_2 + \sqrt{(z_2)^2 + s^2}}{z_1 + \sqrt{(z_1)^2 + s^2}} \right] \hat{\mathbf{z}}} \end{aligned}$$



$$\vec{B} = \nabla \times \vec{A} \quad \nabla \times \mathbf{v} = \left( \frac{1}{s} \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial \phi} - \frac{\partial v_\phi}{\partial z} \right) \hat{\mathbf{s}} + \left( \frac{\partial v_s}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial s} \right) \hat{\phi} + \frac{1}{s} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial s} (s v_\phi) - \frac{\partial v_s}{\partial \phi} \right] \hat{\mathbf{z}}$$

$$= \nabla \times \mathbf{A} = -\frac{\partial A}{\partial s} \hat{\phi} = -\frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{z_2 + \sqrt{(z_2)^2 + s^2}} \frac{s}{\sqrt{(z_2)^2 + s^2}} - \frac{1}{z_1 + \sqrt{(z_1)^2 + s^2}} \frac{s}{\sqrt{(z_1)^2 + s^2}} \right] \hat{\phi}$$

$$= -\frac{\mu_0 I s}{4\pi} \left[ \frac{z_2 - \sqrt{(z_2)^2 + s^2}}{(z_2)^2 - [(z_2)^2 + s^2]} \frac{1}{\sqrt{(z_2)^2 + s^2}} - \frac{z_1 - \sqrt{(z_1)^2 + s^2}}{z_1^2 - [(z_1)^2 + s^2]} \frac{1}{\sqrt{(z_1)^2 + s^2}} \right] \hat{\phi}$$

$$= -\frac{\mu_0 I s}{4\pi} \left( -\frac{1}{s^2} \right) \left[ \frac{z_2}{\sqrt{(z_2)^2 + s^2}} - 1 - \frac{z_1}{\sqrt{(z_1)^2 + s^2}} + 1 \right] \hat{\phi} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi s} \left[ \frac{z_2}{\sqrt{(z_2)^2 + s^2}} - \frac{z_1}{\sqrt{(z_1)^2 + s^2}} \right]$$

$$\text{or, since } \sin \theta_1 = \frac{z_1}{\sqrt{(z_1)^2 + s^2}} \text{ and } \sin \theta_2 = \frac{z_2}{\sqrt{(z_2)^2 + s^2}},$$

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

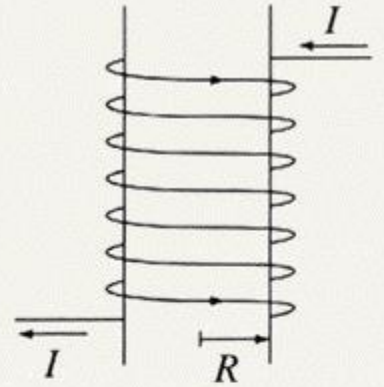
Example: Vector potential of a solenoid with  $n$  turns per unit length

Current extends to infinity so cannot take the integral directly, but

$$\oint \vec{A} \cdot d\vec{\ell} = \int \nabla \times \vec{A} \cdot d\vec{a} = \int \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{a} = \Phi$$

Compare this to ampere law  $\vec{B} \cdot d\vec{\ell} = \mu_0 I_{enc}$

$$\vec{A} = ?$$



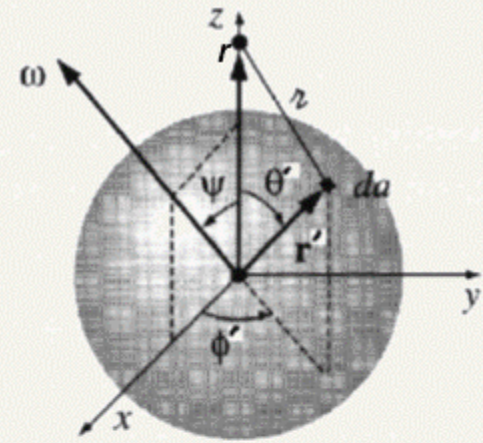
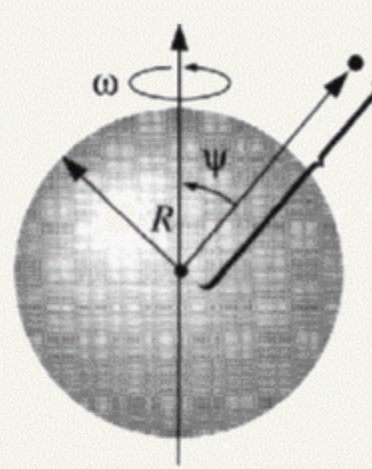
$$\because \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{\ell} = \mu_0 I_{enc} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} B_{in} = \mu_0 NI \\ B_{out} = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\oint \vec{A} \cdot d\vec{\ell} = \int \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{a} = \begin{cases} \mu_0 NI (\pi r^2) & r < R \\ \mu_0 NI (\pi R^2) & r > R \end{cases}$$

$$\vec{A} = \begin{cases} \frac{\mu_0 NI}{2} r \hat{\phi} & r < R \\ \frac{\mu_0 NI}{2} \frac{R^2}{r} \hat{\phi} & r > R \end{cases}$$

Example: The vector potential of a rotating sphere with uniform surface charge density  $\sigma$

$$\vec{A}(P) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{\vec{K}}{r} da$$



surface integration over  $\theta$  is easier in this orientation of coordinates

$$\vec{K} = \sigma \vec{v}, \quad |\vec{r}'| = R, \quad r = (R^2 + r'^2 - 2Rr' \cos \theta')^{1/2}, \quad da = R^2 \sin \theta' d\theta' d\phi'$$

$$\vec{\omega} = \omega \sin \psi \hat{x} + \omega \cos \psi \hat{z}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{v} = \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}' &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{x} & \hat{y} & \hat{z} \\ \omega \sin \psi & 0 & \omega \cos \psi \\ R \sin \theta' \cos \phi' & R \sin \theta' \sin \phi' & R \cos \theta' \end{vmatrix} \\ &= R\omega [-(\cos \psi \sin \theta' \sin \phi')\hat{x} + (\cos \psi \sin \theta' \cos \phi' - \sin \psi \cos \theta')\hat{y} \\ &\quad + (\sin \psi \sin \theta' \sin \phi')\hat{z}] \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{v} = R\omega [-(\cos \psi' \sin \theta' \sin \varphi')\hat{x} + (\cos \psi \sin \theta' \cos \varphi' - \sin \psi \cos \theta')\hat{y} \\ + (\sin \psi \sin \theta' \sin \varphi')\hat{z}]$$

$$\vec{A}(\vec{r}) = \frac{\mu_0 \sigma}{4\pi} \int_{\mathcal{V}} \frac{\vec{v}}{r} R^2 \sin \theta' d\theta' d\varphi'$$

Since  $\int_0^{2\pi} \sin \varphi d\varphi = \int_0^{2\pi} \cos \varphi' d\varphi' = 0$  and  $\mathcal{V}$  is independent of  $\varphi'$  all terms containing  $\sin \varphi'$  or  $\cos \varphi'$  integrate to zero

$$\therefore \vec{A}(\vec{r}) = -\left(\frac{\mu_0 R^3 \sigma \omega \sin \psi}{2}\right) \left(\int_0^\pi \frac{\cos \theta' \sin \theta'}{(R^2 + r^2 - 2Rr \cos \theta')^{1/2}} d\theta'\right) \hat{y}$$

$$\int_0^\pi \frac{\cos \theta' \sin \theta'}{(R^2 + r^2 - 2Rr \cos \theta')^{1/2}} d\theta' = \int_{-1}^{+1} \frac{u}{(R^2 + r^2 - 2Rru)^{1/2}} du$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} u = \cos \theta' \\ du = -\sin \theta' d\theta' \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \int_{-1}^{+1} \frac{u}{(R^2 + r'^2 - 2Rr'u)^{1/2}} du \quad \left( \int \frac{x}{\sqrt{x+a}} dx = \frac{2}{3} (x-2a)\sqrt{x+a} \right) \\
&= - \frac{(R^2 + r^2 - Rru)}{2R^2 r^2} (R^2 + r^2 - 2Rru)^{1/2} \bigg|_{-1}^{+1} \\
&= - \frac{1}{3R^2 r'^2} [|R-r|(R^2 + r^2 + Rr) - (R+r)(R^2 + r^2 - Rr)] \\
\text{if } r < R &= - \frac{1}{3R^2 r^2} [(R-r)(R^2 + r^2 + Rr) - (R+r)(R^2 + r^2 - Rr)] = \frac{2r}{3R^2} \\
\text{if } r > R &= - \frac{1}{3R^2 r^2} [(r-R)(R^2 + r^2 + Rr) - (R+r)(R^2 + r^2 - Rr)] = \frac{2R}{3r^2}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \vec{A}(\vec{r}) = - \left( \frac{\mu_0 R^3 \sigma \omega \sin \psi}{2} \right) \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2r}{3R^2} \\ \frac{2R}{3r^2} \end{pmatrix} \hat{y}$$

$$\therefore \vec{A}(\vec{r}) = - \left( \frac{\mu_0 R^3 \sigma \omega \sin \psi}{2} \right) \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2r}{3R^2} \\ \frac{2R}{3r^2} \end{pmatrix} \hat{y} \quad \begin{matrix} r < R \\ r > R \end{matrix}$$

since  $\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r} = -\omega r \sin \psi \hat{y}$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{A}(\vec{r}) = \begin{cases} \frac{\mu_0 R \sigma}{3} \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r} & \text{inside sphere} \\ \frac{\mu_0 R^4 \sigma}{3r^3} \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r} & \text{outside sphere} \end{cases}$$

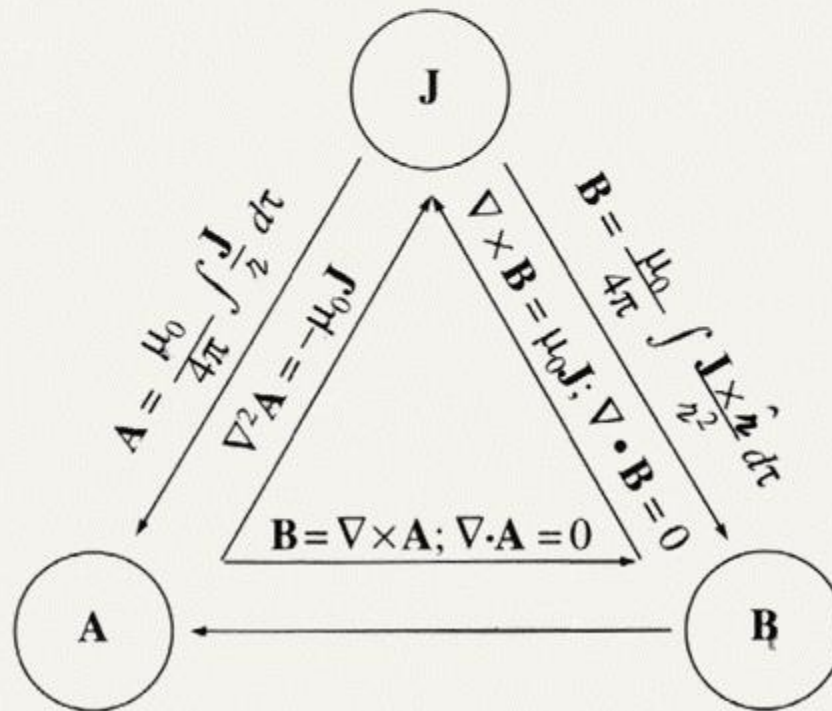
Field inside the sphere  $\vec{B} = \nabla \times \vec{A}(\vec{r}) = \frac{2\mu_0 R \sigma}{3} \vec{\omega}$

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} \nabla \times (\vec{A} \times \vec{B}) = (\vec{B} \cdot \nabla) \vec{A} - (\vec{A} \cdot \nabla) \vec{B} + \vec{A}(\nabla \cdot \vec{B}) - \vec{B}(\nabla \cdot \vec{A}) \\ \Rightarrow \nabla \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}) = (\vec{r} \cdot \nabla) \vec{\omega} - (\vec{\omega} \cdot \nabla) \vec{r} + \vec{\omega}(\nabla \cdot \vec{r}) - \vec{r}(\nabla \cdot \vec{\omega}) \\ \qquad \qquad \qquad = 0 \qquad -\vec{\omega} \qquad + 3\vec{\omega} \qquad - 0 = 2\vec{\omega} \end{array} \right)$$

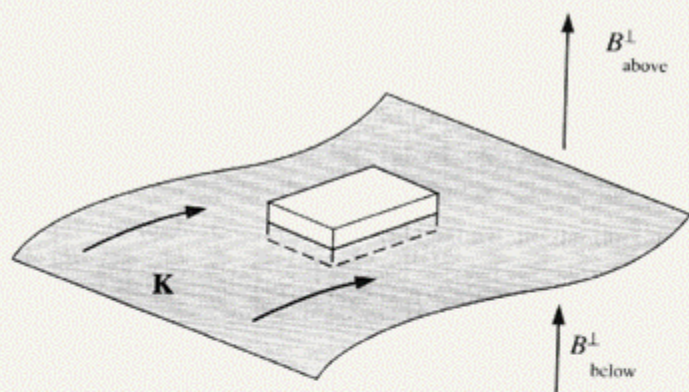
# Summary

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \quad \nabla \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \vec{B}(p) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{\vec{I} \times \hat{r}}{r^2} d\tau$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{A} = 0 \quad \nabla \times \vec{A} = \vec{B} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \vec{A} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int \frac{\vec{J}}{r^2} d\tau$$

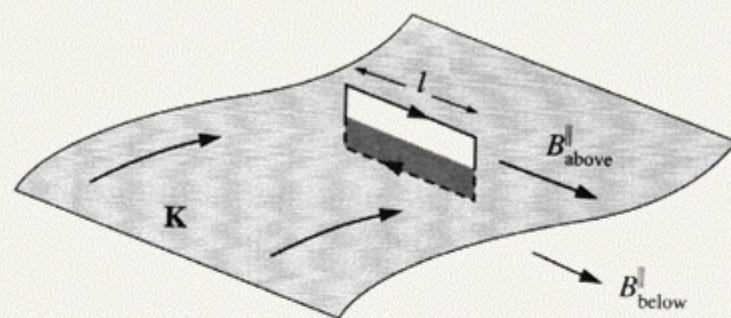


# Magnetostatic Boundary Conditions



$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{a} = 0$$

$$B_{above}^{\perp} = B_{below}^{\perp}$$



$$\begin{aligned} \oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{\ell} &= (B_{above}^{\parallel} - B_{below}^{\parallel})\ell \\ &= \mu_0 I_{enc} = \mu_0 K \ell \end{aligned}$$

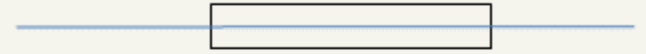
$$B_{above}^{\parallel} - B_{below}^{\parallel} = \mu_0 K$$

$$B_{above} - B_{below} = \mu_0 (K \times \hat{n})$$

$$\begin{aligned} (E_a^{\parallel} &= E_b^{\parallel}) \\ (E_a^{\perp} - E_b^{\perp} &= \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} \hat{n}) \end{aligned}$$

# Boundary conditions for the Vector Potential $\vec{A}$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{A} = 0 \Rightarrow A_{above}^{\perp} = A_{below}^{\perp}$$



$$\nabla \times \vec{A} = \vec{B} \Rightarrow \oint \vec{A} \cdot d\vec{l} = \int \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{a} = \Phi \rightarrow 0 \text{ for a loop very close to surface}$$

$$A_{above}^{\parallel} = A_{below}^{\parallel} \Rightarrow \vec{A}_{above} = \vec{A}_{below} \quad \left| \quad (V_a = V_b) \right.$$

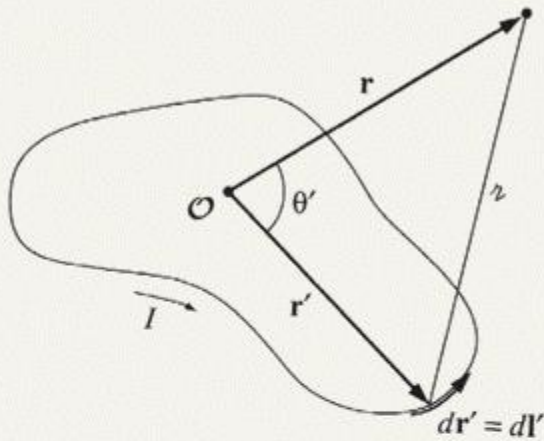
$$(\nabla \times \vec{A})_{above} - (\nabla \times \vec{A})_{below} = \mu_0 (\vec{K} \times \hat{n})$$

$$\left( \hat{n} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \times \vec{A} \right)_{above} - \left( \hat{n} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \times \vec{A} \right)_{below} = \mu_0 (\vec{K} \times \hat{n})$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial \vec{A}_{above}}{\partial n} - \frac{\partial \vec{A}_{below}}{\partial n} = -\mu_0 \vec{K}}$$

$$\left| \quad \frac{\partial V_a}{\partial n} - \frac{\partial V_b}{\partial n} = -\frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} \right.$$

## 5.4.3 Multipole Expansion of the Vector Potential



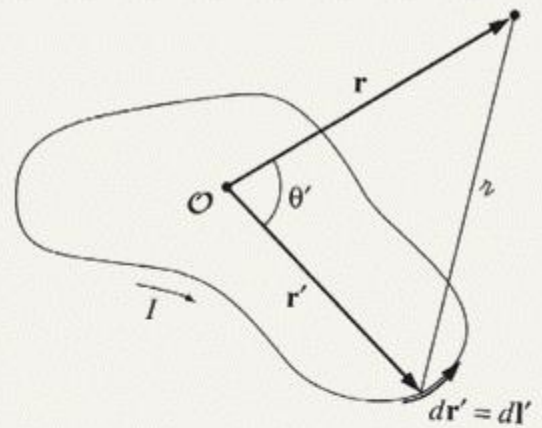
$$\vec{A} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \oint \frac{1}{R} d\vec{\ell} \quad (\text{for a line current})$$

$$\frac{1}{z} = \frac{1}{(r^2 + r'^2 - 2rr' \cos \theta)^{1/2}} \underset{r \gg r'}{\cong} \frac{1}{r[1 - 2(r'/r) \cos \theta']^{1/2}} \cong \frac{1}{r} \left(1 + \frac{r'}{r} \cos \theta' + \dots\right)$$

$$\vec{A} \cong \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \oint \frac{1}{r} \left(1 + \frac{r'}{r} \cos \theta' + \dots\right) d\vec{\ell} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{r} \oint d\vec{\ell} + \frac{1}{r^2} \oint r' \cos \theta' d\vec{\ell} + \dots \right]$$

$$\frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi r} \oint d\vec{\ell} = \text{monopole term} = 0 \text{ no magnetic monopoles !}$$

$$\vec{A}_{dip}(\vec{r}) = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi r^2} \oint r' \cos \theta' d\vec{l} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi r^2} \oint (\hat{r} \cdot \vec{r}') d\vec{l}$$



$$\hat{r} \times \oint (\vec{r}' \times d\vec{r}') = \oint \vec{r}' (\hat{r} \cdot d\vec{r}') - \oint d\vec{r}' (\hat{r} \cdot \vec{r}')$$

$$= \oint d[(\vec{r}'(\hat{r} \cdot \vec{r}'))] - \oint (\hat{r} \cdot \vec{r}') d\vec{r}' - \oint d\vec{r}' (\hat{r} \cdot \vec{r}')$$

$$= -2 \oint (\hat{r} \cdot \vec{r}') d\vec{r}'$$

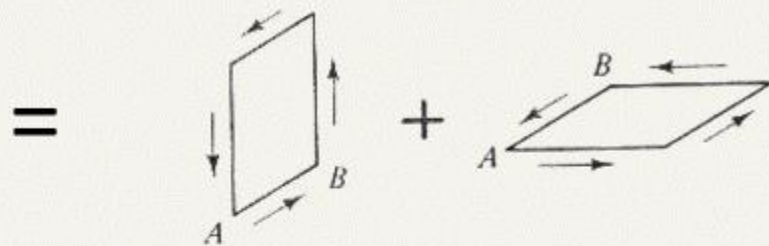
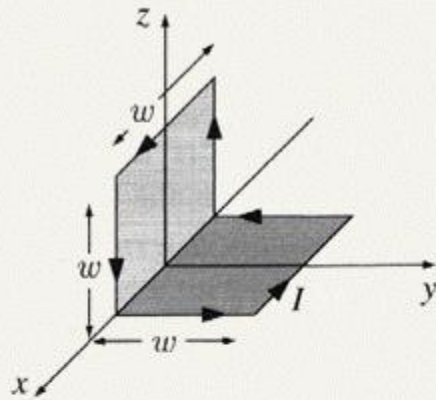
$$\vec{A}_{dip}(\vec{r}) = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi r^2} \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \hat{r} \times \oint (\vec{r}' \times d\vec{r}') \right]$$

$$\vec{A}_{dip}(\vec{r}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{\vec{m} \times \hat{r}}{r^2}$$

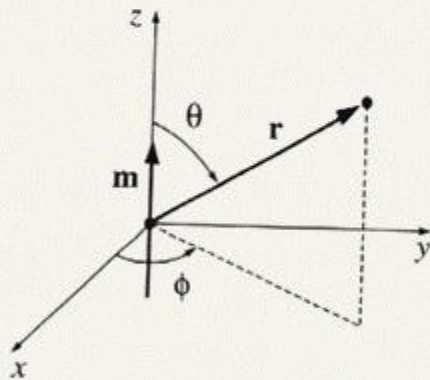
$$\vec{m} = \frac{I}{2} \oint (\vec{r}' \times d\vec{l}) \quad \text{magnetic dipole moment}$$

$$\vec{m} = I \vec{a} \quad \vec{a} = \frac{1}{2} \oint (\vec{r}' \times d\vec{l}) \quad \text{vector area}$$

Example: Magnetic dipole moment of a bookend shaped loop:



$$\vec{m} = Iw^2 \hat{y} + Iw^2 \hat{z}$$



$$\begin{aligned}\vec{A}_{dip}(\vec{r}) &= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{\vec{m} \times \hat{r}}{r^2} \\ &= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{m \sin \theta}{r^2} \hat{\phi}\end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{B} = \nabla \times \vec{A} = \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (\sin \theta A_{\phi}) \right] \hat{r} + \frac{1}{r} \left[ -\frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r A_{\phi}) \right] \hat{\theta}$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{m}{r^3} (2 \cos \theta \hat{r} + \sin \theta \hat{\theta})$$