

We can use the freedom in the many choices of  $\vec{A}$  to choose one that satisfies  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A} = 0$ .

[Suppose we had an  $\vec{A}$  such that  $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A} = \vec{B}$ , but  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A} = f(\vec{r}) \neq 0$ . Then construct  $\vec{A}' = \vec{A} + \vec{\nabla} \chi$ . We automatically have  $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}' = \vec{B}$ . If we want  $\vec{A}'$  such that  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A}' = 0$ , then we need to find a  $\chi$  such that  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A}' = \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A} + \nabla^2 \chi = 0 \Rightarrow -\nabla^2 \chi = f(\vec{r})$ . But this is just like solving for electrostatic potential  $\phi$  from charge distribution:  $f = \frac{\rho}{4\pi\epsilon_0}$ . There is always a solution! So we can always find an  $\vec{A}$  such that  $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A} = \vec{B}$  and  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A} = 0$ ]

For such a vector potential that satisfies  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A} = 0$ ,  
Ampere's law becomes

$$-\nabla^2 \vec{A} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{J}$$

or, for example, for the  $x$ -component

$$-\nabla^2 A_x = \frac{4\pi}{c} J_x$$

but this is mathematically the same equation as  $-\nabla^2 \phi = 4\pi\rho$ . For a  $\vec{J}_x$  that is localized to a finite region of space, we therefore know that the solution for  $A_x$  can be expressed as the integral

$$A_x(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{c} \int dx' dy' dz' \frac{J_x(\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}$$

or, for all components

$$\vec{A}(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{c} \int dx' dy' dz' \frac{\vec{J}(\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}$$

Similar to Coulomb solution for  $\phi$ ,

$$\phi(\vec{r}) = \int dx' dy' dz' \frac{\rho(\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}$$

only the expression for  $\vec{A}$  is now a vector integral equation,

One can show that the  $\vec{A}$  above does satisfy  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A} = 0$

For a current carrying wire that traces out the path  $C$

$$\vec{A}(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{c} \int_C d\vec{s}' \frac{I}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}$$

$\vec{r}'$  on curve  $C$   
 $d\vec{s}'$  points tangential  
to curve

then

$$\vec{B} = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{c} \int_C d\vec{s}' I(\vec{r}') \nabla \times \frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}$$

$$= \frac{1}{c} \int_C I \nabla \times \left( \frac{d\vec{s}'}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \right)$$

↑  
derivatives act only on  $\vec{r}$

consider the x-component of  $\vec{\nabla} \times \left( \frac{d\vec{s}'}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|} \right)$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{ds'_z}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|} \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( \frac{ds'_y}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|} \right)$$

$$= ds'_z \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \frac{1}{\sqrt{(x-x')^2 + (y-y')^2 + (z-z')^2}} - ds'_y \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\dots}}$$

$$= ds'_z \frac{(y-y')}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|^3} - ds'_y \frac{(z-z')}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|^3}$$

$$= \frac{1}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|^3} [d\vec{s}' \times (\vec{r}-\vec{r}')]_x$$

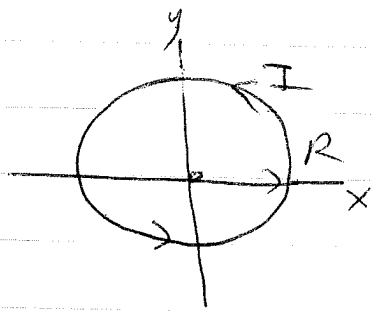
so in general  $\vec{\nabla} \times \left( \frac{d\vec{s}'}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|} \right) = \frac{d\vec{s}' \times (\vec{r}-\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|^3}$

$$= \frac{d\vec{s}' \times \widehat{(\vec{r}-\vec{r}')}}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|^2}$$

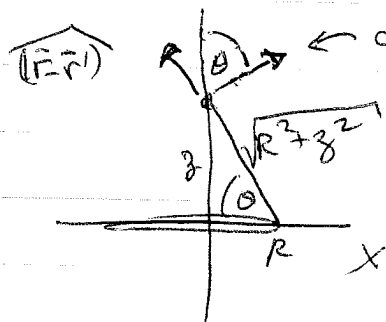
$\widehat{(\vec{r}-\vec{r}')}$  is unit vector pointing from  $\vec{r}'$  to  $\vec{r}$

$$\vec{B}(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{c} \int_C I \frac{d\vec{s}' \times \widehat{(\vec{r}-\vec{r}')}}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|^2}$$

Biot-Savart  
Law for magnetic  
field  $\vec{B}$  from current  
carrying wire that follows  
the path  $C$ .



circular ring in  $xy$  plane  
 what is field at  $z$  on  $\hat{z}$  axis?



← direction of  $d\vec{s}' \times (\hat{r} - \vec{r}_1)$

$\vec{B}$  will point in  $\hat{z}$  direction.  
 component of  $\vec{B}$  in  $xy$  plane  
 cancel out as integrate around loop

$$d\vec{s}' = R d\phi \hat{\phi}$$

$$\vec{B}(z) = \frac{1}{c} \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi R I \frac{\cos\theta}{R^2 + z^2}$$

$$\cos\theta = \frac{R}{\sqrt{R^2 + z^2}}$$

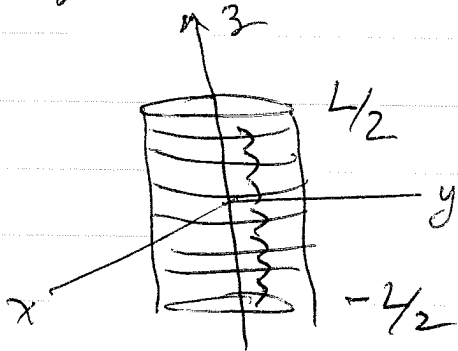
$$= \frac{1}{c} \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \frac{R^2 I}{(R^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} = \frac{2\pi R^2 I}{c (R^2 + z^2)^{3/2}}$$

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

at the center of the ring at  
 $z=0$ ,  $B = \frac{2\pi R^2 I}{c R^3} \hat{z}$

$$B = \frac{2\pi I}{c R} \hat{z}$$

~~For~~ Magnetic field along axis of cylinder of finite length



← superposition of many rings  
 $I$  in wire,  $N$  turns / length  
 $\Rightarrow$  surface current  $K = IN$

For a point  $z$  above a circular ring was

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

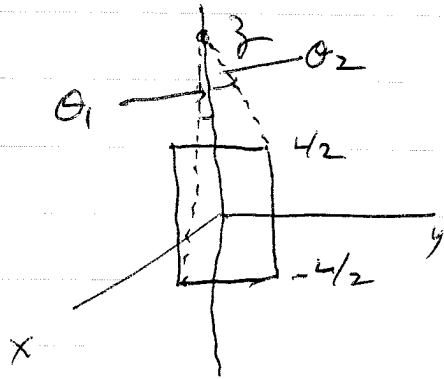
For a point on  $z$  axis of solenoid distance to nearest ring is  $(z - \frac{L}{2})$ , distance to furthest ring is  $(z + \frac{L}{2})$

$$\vec{B}(z) = \frac{2\pi R^2 I}{c} \hat{z} N \int_{z - \frac{L}{2}}^{z + \frac{L}{2}} dz' \frac{1}{(R^2 + z'^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$= \frac{2\pi R^2}{c} IN \hat{z} \left[ \frac{z'}{R^2 \sqrt{R^2 + z'^2}} \right]_{z - \frac{L}{2}}^{z + \frac{L}{2}}$$

$$= \frac{2\pi R^2}{c} IN \hat{z} \left[ \frac{(z + \frac{L}{2})}{R^2 \sqrt{R^2 + (z + \frac{L}{2})^2}} - \frac{(z - \frac{L}{2})}{R^2 \sqrt{R^2 + (z - \frac{L}{2})^2}} \right]$$

$$\vec{B}(z) = \frac{2\pi I N}{c} \hat{z} \left[ \frac{(z + \frac{L}{2})}{\sqrt{R^2 + (z + \frac{L}{2})^2}} - \frac{(z - \frac{L}{2})}{\sqrt{R^2 + (z - \frac{L}{2})^2}} \right]$$



$$= \frac{2\pi I N}{c} \hat{z} \left[ \cos \theta_1 - \cos \theta_2 \right]$$

at center of solenoid,  $z = 0$

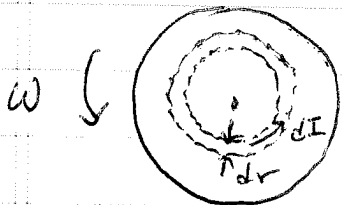
$$\vec{B}(0) = \frac{2\pi I N}{c} \hat{z} \left[ \frac{\frac{L}{2}}{\sqrt{R^2 + (\frac{L}{2})^2}} - \frac{(-\frac{L}{2})}{\sqrt{R^2 + (-\frac{L}{2})^2}} \right]$$

$$= \frac{\pi I N L}{c} \frac{1}{\sqrt{R^2 + (\frac{L}{2})^2}} \hat{z}$$

$$= \frac{4\pi I N}{c} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + (\frac{R}{L})^2}} \hat{z} \rightarrow \frac{4\pi I N}{c} \hat{z} \text{ as } L \rightarrow \infty$$

## Rowlands Expt

rotating disk with surface charge density  $\sigma$



current flowing in ring of width  $dr$  at radius  $r$  is

$$dI = \sigma dr v = \sigma dr (\omega r)$$

↑ velocity  $v$ ,  
changes in ring

$$dI = \underbrace{\sigma \omega r}_{K} dr$$

surface current density  $K = \sigma \omega r$   
 $K(r) = \sigma \omega r$  not uniform

along  $z$  axis through center of disk, from the ring of radius  $r$  carrying current  $dI$ , the contribution to the magnetic field is

$$d\vec{B} = \frac{2\pi r^2 dI}{c(r^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} \hat{z}$$

Total  $\vec{B}$ -field is then

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{B} &= \int d\vec{B} = \hat{z} \int \frac{2\pi r^2 dI}{c(r^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} \\ &= \hat{z} \int_0^R \frac{2\pi r^2}{c(r^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} \sigma \omega r dr \end{aligned}$$

$$= \hat{z} \frac{2\pi \sigma \omega}{c} \int_0^R \frac{r^3}{(r^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} dr$$

use integrals.wolfram.com

$$= \hat{z} \frac{2\pi \sigma \omega}{c} \left[ \frac{r^2 + 2z^2}{\sqrt{r^2 + z^2}} \right]_0^R$$

$$= \hat{z} \frac{2\pi\sigma W}{c} \left[ \frac{R^2 + 2z^2}{\sqrt{R^2 + z^2}} - \frac{2z^2}{|z|} \right]$$

$$= \hat{z} \frac{2\pi\sigma W}{c} \left[ \frac{R^2 + 2z^2}{\sqrt{R^2 + z^2}} - 2|z| \right]$$

Note: for  $R \gg z$  above is  $\approx \hat{z} \frac{2\pi\sigma W R}{c}$

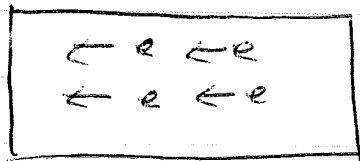
does not look like infinite plane with constant  $\vec{K}$  because here  $\vec{K}$  is not constant  $= \frac{2\pi}{c} K(R) \hat{z}$

### Hall effect

How do we know that the mobile charges in a conducting metal have negative sign?

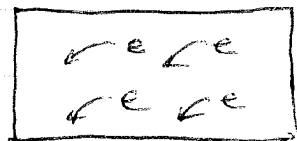
1879 E. H. Hall experiment.

conductor with potential drop across it



$E \rightarrow$   
 $J \rightarrow$

apply  $\vec{B}$  out of page

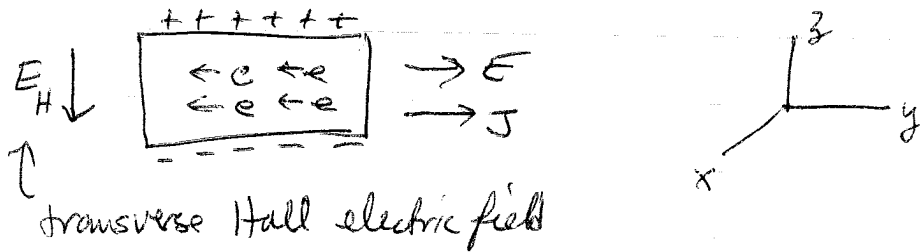


initially, electrons feel Lorentz force from  $B$  pushing them downwards

in steady state, electrons will pile up on bottom edge, leaving excess of positive charge on upper edge, creating an electric field pointing downwards. Force from this "transverse" electric field exactly or "Hall"



balances out force of  $\vec{B}$  so electrons move horizontally down wire just as when  $B=0$ .



electron velocity  $\vec{v} = -v\hat{y}$        $\vec{B} = B\hat{x}$

magnetic force  $\vec{F}_L = -e\vec{v} \times \vec{B}$   
 $= +\frac{evB}{c} (\hat{y} \times \hat{x})$   
 $= -\frac{evB}{c} \hat{z}$

electric force from  $\vec{E}_H$        $\vec{F}_H = +eE_H\hat{z}$   
 $\vec{E}_H = E_H\hat{z}$

$$eE_H = \frac{evB}{c} \Rightarrow E_H = \frac{vB}{c}$$

we can then write  $\vec{J} = em\vec{v}$        $\Rightarrow v = \frac{J}{em}$   
↑  
density of electrons

$$E_H = \frac{JB}{emc} \quad \text{or} \quad \vec{E}_H = +\frac{\vec{J} \times \vec{B}}{emc}$$

If  $J = \sigma E$  where  $\sigma$  is ordinary dc conductivity then

$$\frac{E_H}{E} = \frac{\sigma B}{emc}$$

If ~~mobile~~ charges had  $+e$  charge, then  $\vec{E}_H$  would point upwards - i.e. in opposite direction

Motion of a charged particle in a uniform B-field

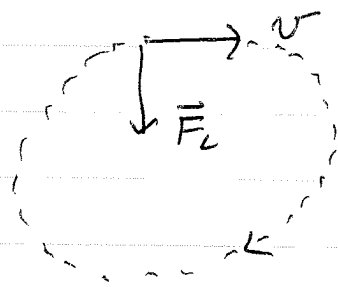
charge  $q$ , velocity  $\vec{v} \perp \vec{B}$  initially

$\vec{B} = B \hat{z}$ ,  $\vec{v}$  in  $x-y$  plane say  $\vec{v} = v \hat{x}$

force on  $q$  is  $\vec{F}_L = q \frac{\vec{v}}{c} \times \vec{B}$

$$= q B \frac{v}{c} (\hat{x} \times \hat{z}) = -q \frac{Bv}{c} \hat{y}$$

force is  $\perp \vec{v}$



same as for circular motion!

$$F_L = ma_c = m \frac{v^2}{R}$$

centripetal acceleration

$R$  is radius of orbit

$$\text{so } \frac{mv^2}{R} = \frac{qBv}{c}$$

$$R = \frac{mv^2 c}{qBv} = \frac{mvc}{qB}$$

~~$qB$~~  Time to make one orbit is

$$T = \frac{2\pi R}{v} = \frac{2\pi}{v} \frac{mvc}{qB} = 2\pi \frac{mc}{qB}$$

angular freq of orbit is  $\omega = \frac{2\pi}{T} = \frac{qB}{mc}$  "cyclotron" frequency