

$$\vec{E} = \frac{1}{r^3} [ 3(\vec{p} \cdot \hat{r}) \hat{r} - \vec{p} ]$$

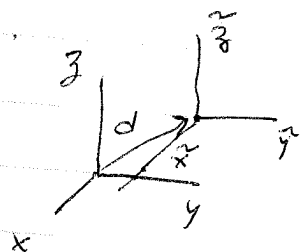
expresses  $\vec{E}$  of dipole  
in coord free form

### Origin of coordinates

The definition of the multipole moments depends on  
the choice of origin of the coordinates

Suppose transform to  $\vec{r}' = \vec{r} - \vec{d}$

In the  $\vec{r}'$  coord system



$$\tilde{q} = \int d^3 \vec{r}' f(\vec{r}') = \int d^3 r f(r) = q$$

monopole does not depend on choice of origin

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\vec{p}} &= \int d^3 \vec{r}' f(\vec{r}') \vec{r}' = \int d^3 r f(\vec{r} - \vec{d}) \\ &= \int d^3 r f \vec{r} - \vec{d} \int d^3 r f \end{aligned}$$

$$\tilde{\vec{p}} = \vec{p} - \vec{d} q \quad \tilde{\vec{p}} = \vec{p} \text{ only if } q=0!$$

if  $q \neq 0$ , then  $\tilde{\vec{p}} \neq \vec{p}$

$\Rightarrow$  ~~One could~~ If  $q \neq 0$ , one could always choose  
an origin of coords for which  $\vec{p} = 0$ !

För HW/Prob will show that  $\tilde{\vec{p}} = \vec{p} - \vec{d} q$  ...

Quadrupole moment in new coordinates

$$\vec{\vec{Q}} = \int d^3\tilde{r} \rho [ 3\tilde{r}\tilde{r} - (\tilde{r})^2 \vec{I} ]$$

where  $\tilde{r} = \vec{r} - \vec{d}$   
 substitute in above

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{\vec{Q}} &= \int d^3r \rho [ 3(\vec{r} - \vec{d})(\vec{r} - \vec{d}) - (\vec{r} - \vec{d})^2 \vec{I} ] \\ &= \int d^3r \rho [ 3\vec{r}\vec{r} - 3\vec{r}\vec{d} - 3\vec{d}\vec{r} + 3\vec{d}\vec{d} - (r^2 + d^2 - 2\vec{r}\vec{d}) \vec{I} ] \\ &= \int d^3r \rho [ 3\vec{r}\vec{r} - r^2 \vec{I} ] - 3 \left[ \int d^3r \rho \vec{r} \right] \vec{d} - 3\vec{d} \left[ \int d^3r \rho \vec{r} \right] \\ &\quad + 3\vec{d}\vec{d} \left[ \int d^3r \rho \right] - d^2 \vec{I} \left[ \int d^3r \rho \right] \\ &\quad + 2 \left[ \int d^3r \rho \vec{r} \right] \cdot \vec{d} \vec{I} \end{aligned}$$

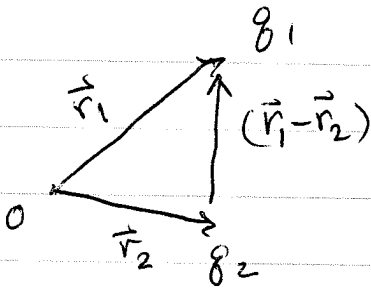
$$\vec{\vec{Q}} = \vec{\vec{Q}} - 3\vec{p}\vec{d} - 3\vec{d}\vec{p} + 3\vec{d}\vec{d}q - [d^2q - 2\vec{p}\cdot\vec{d}] \vec{I}$$

we see that  $\vec{\vec{Q}}$  is independent of choice of origin only when both  $\vec{p}$  and  $\vec{p}$  vanish, when this happens the quadrupole term is the leading term in the multipole expansion.

In general, the leading term in multipole expansion will be indep of origin of coordinates.

Example two charges  $q_1$  at  $\vec{r}_1$  and  $q_2$  at  $\vec{r}_2$

$$q_1 + q_2 = q \neq 0$$



monopole  $q_1 + q_2 = q$

dipole  $\vec{p} = q_1 \vec{r}_1 + q_2 \vec{r}_2$

quadrupole  $\vec{Q} = (3\vec{r}_1 \vec{r}_1 - r_1^2 \vec{I}) q_1 + (3\vec{r}_2 \vec{r}_2 - r_2^2 \vec{I}) q_2$

We can make the dipole moment vanish by shifting to a new coord system  $\vec{r}' = \vec{r} - \vec{d}$  where  $\vec{d} = \frac{\vec{p}}{q}$

$$\vec{r}' = \vec{r} - \frac{q_1 \vec{r}_1 + q_2 \vec{r}_2}{q_1 + q_2} = \frac{q_1 (\vec{r} - \vec{r}_1) + q_2 (\vec{r} - \vec{r}_2)}{q_1 + q_2}$$

positions of  $q_1, q_2$  in new coords are

$$\vec{r}'_1 = \frac{q_2}{q_1 + q_2} (\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2)$$

$$\vec{r}'_2 = \frac{-q_1}{q_1 + q_2} (\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2)$$

origin of new coord system is at

$$\vec{r}' = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{r} = \frac{q_1 \vec{r}_1 + q_2 \vec{r}_2}{q_1 + q_2}$$

lies along vector from  $\vec{r}_2$  to  $\vec{r}_1$

"center of charge"

for many charges  $q_i$  at positions  $\vec{r}_i$ , the origin that makes dipole moment vanish is at

$$\vec{r} = \frac{\sum_i q_i \vec{r}_i}{\sum_i q_i}$$

In this coord system

$$\vec{p}' = q_1 \vec{r}_1' + q_2 \vec{r}_2' = \frac{q_1 q_2}{q_1 + q_2} (\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2) - \frac{q_2 q_1}{q_1 + q_2} (\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2) \\ = 0 \quad \text{as it must be!}$$

Quadrupole moment in the coord system in which  $\vec{p}' = 0$   
the quadrupole tensor is

$$\vec{Q}' = [3\vec{r}_1' \vec{r}_1' - (r_1')^2 \vec{I}] q_1 + [3\vec{r}_2' \vec{r}_2' - (r_2')^2 \vec{I}] q_2$$

let us choose ~~coord~~ spherical coordinates with origin at  $O'$   
and  $\hat{z}$  axis aligned along  $\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2$ , so that

$$\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2 = s \hat{z} \quad \text{where } s = |\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2| \text{ is separation} \\ \text{between the charges}$$

$$\text{then } \vec{r}_1' = \frac{q_2}{q_1 + q_2} s \hat{z}$$

$$\vec{r}_2' = \frac{-q_1}{q_1 + q_2} s \hat{z}$$

$$\vec{Q}' = \left( \frac{q_2}{q_1 + q_2} \right)^2 q_1 [3s^2 \hat{z} \hat{z} - s^2 \vec{I}] \\ + \left( \frac{-q_1}{q_1 + q_2} \right)^2 q_2 [3s^2 \hat{z} \hat{z} - s^2 \vec{I}]$$

$$\vec{Q}' = \frac{q_2^2 q_1 + q_1^2 q_2}{(q_1 + q_2)^2} s^2 [3 \hat{z} \hat{z} - \vec{I}]$$

$$= \frac{q_1 q_2}{q_1 + q_2} s^2 [3 \hat{z} \hat{z} - \vec{I}]$$

$$Q'_{ij} = \frac{q_1 q_2}{q_1 + q_2} s^2 \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{in } xyz \text{ coord system}$$

$$\text{as } \hat{z} \hat{z} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{I} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

The contribution of quadrupole to the potential is

$$\phi_{\text{quad}} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\hat{r} \cdot \vec{Q}' \cdot \hat{r}}{r^3}$$

$$\vec{r}^x = \begin{pmatrix} \sin \theta \cos \varphi \\ \sin \theta \sin \varphi \\ \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

with origin at  $O'$  this becomes

in  $xyz$  coords

$$\phi_{\text{quad}} = \frac{s^2}{2r^3} \frac{q_1 q_2}{q_1 + q_2} (\sin \theta \cos \varphi, \sin \theta \sin \varphi, \cos \theta) \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sin \theta \cos \varphi \\ \sin \theta \sin \varphi \\ \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

do matrix multiplications

$$\phi_{\text{quad}} = \frac{s^2}{2r^3} \frac{q_1 q_2}{q_1 + q_2} (2 \cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta)$$

independent of  $\varphi$  as it must be due to azimuthal symmetry

## Example

simple charge configs

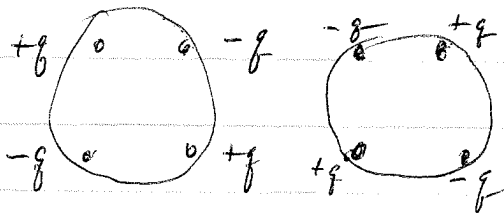
$0 \ q \Rightarrow$  monopole is leading term

$+q \quad -q \Rightarrow$  monopole  $= 0 \Rightarrow$  dipole is leading term  
 $\vec{p}$  is indep of origin

$+q \quad -q \quad -q \quad +q \Rightarrow$  monopole  $= 0 \Rightarrow$  total dipole is  
sum of dipoles of individual neutral pairs

$$\begin{array}{c} \leftarrow \\ + \\ \rightarrow \end{array} = 0$$

leading term is quadrupole



$$Q = Q_1 + Q_2$$

$$\text{with } Q_2 = -Q_1$$

$\Rightarrow Q = 0$  leading term is octopole

when monopole  $= 0$  and dipole  $= 0$ ,  
quadrupole is indep of origin.  
 $\rightarrow$  total quadrupole is sum of  
quadrupoles of individual  
clusters with  $q = 0$  and  $\vec{p} = 0$

## Magnetostatics

$$\vec{B} = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}, \quad \begin{cases} \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \\ \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{j} \end{cases} \quad \text{Ampere's Law (statics only!)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) = \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{j}$$

$$\text{can write } \vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) = \vec{\nabla} (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A}) - \nabla^2 \vec{A}$$

where by  $\nabla^2 \vec{A}$  we mean  $(\nabla^2 A_x) \hat{x} + (\nabla^2 A_y) \hat{y} + (\nabla^2 A_z) \hat{z}$

$\nabla^2 \vec{A}$  only has a simple expression in Cartesian coords

If tried to write it in spherical coords, for example, one has

$$\nabla^2 \vec{A} = \nabla^2 (A_r \hat{r} + A_\theta \hat{\theta} + A_\phi \hat{\phi})$$

$$= (\nabla^2 A_r) \hat{r} + A_r (\nabla^2 \hat{r}) + (\nabla^2 A_\theta) \hat{\theta} + A_\theta (\nabla^2 \hat{\theta}) + (\nabla^2 A_\phi) \hat{\phi} + A_\phi (\nabla^2 \hat{\phi})$$

one must not forget to take the derivatives of  $\hat{r}$ ,  $\hat{\theta}$ ,  $\hat{\phi}$  since they vary with position!

for example,  $\hat{r} = \sin\theta \cos\phi \hat{x} + \sin\theta \sin\phi \hat{y} + \cos\theta \hat{z}$

one could compute  $\nabla^2 \hat{r}$  by applying  $\nabla^2$  in spherical coords to each piece and summing up. Get a mess!

If work in Coulomb gauge, with  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A} = 0$ , then

$$\vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) = \boxed{-\nabla^2 \vec{A} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{j}} \quad \text{Poisson's equation!}$$

Many of the same methods used to solve for electrostatic  $\phi$  can therefore be applied to solve for magnetostatic  $\vec{A}$ .  
But vector nature of eqn makes for complications!

For simple geometries, one can do the Coulomb-like integral

$$\vec{A}(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{c} \int d^3r' \frac{\vec{j}(\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}$$

three equations for  $A_x, A_y, A_z$  !

for localized current sources  $\vec{j}(r) \rightarrow 0$  as  $r \rightarrow \infty$

Multipole expansion - magnetic dipole moment

For a general treatment, analogous to how we did multipole expansion for electrostatics, one can use vector spherical harmonics - see Jackson Chpt 9.

Here we do a more straight forward approach, but only up to magnetic dipole term.

For  $r \gg r'$  approx

$$\frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} = \frac{1}{(r^2 - 2\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}' + r'^2)^{1/2}} = \frac{1}{r} \frac{1}{\left[1 - \frac{2\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}'}{r^2} + \left(\frac{r'}{r}\right)^2\right]^{1/2}}$$

do Taylor series to 1st order in  $(\frac{r'}{r})$  to get

$$\frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \approx \frac{1}{r} \left\{ 1 + \frac{\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}'}{r^2} + \dots \right\} = \frac{1}{r} + \frac{\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}'}{r^3} + \dots$$



$$\vec{A}(\vec{r}) = \int d^3r' \frac{\vec{j}(\vec{r}')}{r} + \int d^3r' \vec{j}(\vec{r}') \frac{(\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}')}{r^3} + \dots$$

Consider term ①

$$\int d^3r \vec{j}(\vec{r}) \quad \int d^3r (\vec{j} \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \vec{r} \quad \frac{\partial r_i}{\partial r_j} = \delta_{ij}$$

write  $\int d^3r j_i(r) = \sum_{j=1}^3 \int d^3r j_j \frac{\partial r_i}{\partial r_j}$  integrate by parts

$$= \sum_j \left\{ \oint_S j_j r_i - \int d^3r \frac{\partial j_j}{\partial r_j} r_i \right\}$$

↑  
 vanishes as  $S \rightarrow \infty$  if  
 $\vec{j}$  sufficiently localized  
 i.e.  $\vec{j}(\vec{r}) \rightarrow 0$  sufficiently  
 fast as  $r \rightarrow \infty$

↑  
 vanishes in  
 magnetostatics  
 where  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{j} = 0$

So  $\int d^3r \vec{j}(\vec{r}) = 0$  in magnetostatics  
 monopole term vanishes

term (2)

$$\int d^3r \vec{f}(\vec{r}) \vec{r} \quad \text{tensor}$$

Consider  $\int d^3r j_i r_j = \sum_k \int d^3r j_k r_j \frac{\partial r_i}{\partial r_k}$  integrate by parts

$$= \sum_k \left\{ \oint_S j_k r_j r_i - \int d^3r \frac{\partial}{\partial r_k} (j_k r_j) r_i \right\}$$

$\uparrow$   
vanishes as  $S \rightarrow \infty$  if  $\vec{j}$  sufficiently localized

$$= - \sum_k \int d^3r \left( \frac{\partial j_k}{\partial r_k} r_j r_i + j_k \frac{\partial r_j}{\partial r_k} r_i \right)$$

$\uparrow$  vanishes as  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{j} = 0$  in magnetostatics  $\uparrow = \delta_{jk}$

$$= - \int d^3r j_j r_i$$

So  $\int d^3r j_i r_j = - \int d^3r j_j r_i$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int d^3r (j_i r_j - j_j r_i)$$

So

$$\int d^3r' j_i(\vec{r}') (\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}') = \sum_j r_j \int d^3r' j_i(\vec{r}') r_j'$$

$$= \sum_j \frac{1}{2} \int d^3r' (j_i r_j r_j' - r_j j_j r_i')$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int d^3r' (j_i (\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}') - r_i' (\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}'))$$

use triple product rule

$$\vec{r} \times (\vec{r}' \times \vec{j}) = \vec{r}' (\vec{r} \cdot \vec{j}) - \vec{j} (\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}')$$

to rewrite as

$$\int d^3r' \vec{j} (\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}') = -\frac{1}{2} \vec{r} \times \left[ \int d^3r' \vec{r}' \times \vec{j} (\vec{r}') \right]$$

define the magnetic dipole moment as

$$\vec{m} = \frac{1}{2c} \int d^3r' \vec{r}' \times \vec{j} (\vec{r}')$$

In magnetic dipole approx (this is the lowest non-vanishing term)

$$\vec{A}(\vec{r}) = -\frac{\vec{r} \times \vec{m}}{r^3} = \frac{\vec{m} \times \vec{r}}{r^3} = \frac{\vec{m} \times \hat{r}}{r^2}$$

$$\vec{B} = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A} = \vec{\nabla} \times \left( \vec{m} \times \frac{\vec{r}}{r^3} \right)$$

$$B_i = \epsilon_{ijk} \partial_j \epsilon_{klm} m_l \frac{r_m}{r^3}$$

$$= (\delta_{il} \delta_{jm} - \delta_{im} \delta_{jl}) \partial_j m_l \frac{r_m}{r^3}$$

$$= m_i \partial_j \left( \frac{r_j}{r^3} \right) - m_j \partial_j \left( \frac{r_i}{r^3} \right)$$

$$= m_i \left[ -4\pi \delta(\vec{r}) \right] - m_j \left[ \frac{\delta_{ij}}{r^3} - \frac{3r_i}{r^4} \partial_j r \right]$$

$$= 0 \quad \uparrow \quad - \frac{m_i}{r^3} + \frac{3r_i}{r^4} \frac{r_j}{r} m_j$$

for from source

Levi-Civita symbol

$$\epsilon_{ijk} = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{any two} \\ & \text{indices} \\ & \text{equal} \\ +1, & \text{ijk} \\ & \text{even} \\ & \text{permutat} \\ & \text{of } 123 \\ -1, & \text{ijk odd} \\ & \text{permutat} \\ & 123 \end{cases}$$

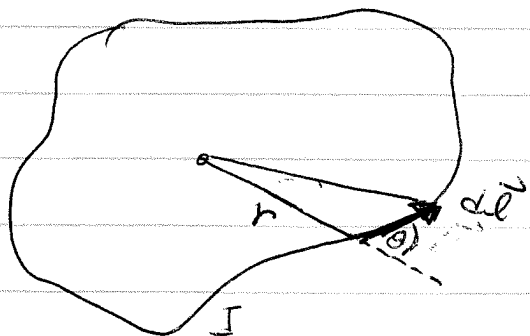
$$(\vec{A} \times \vec{B})_i = \epsilon_{ijk} A_j B_k$$

$$\vec{B} = \frac{3(\vec{m} \cdot \hat{r})\hat{r} - \vec{m}}{r^3}$$

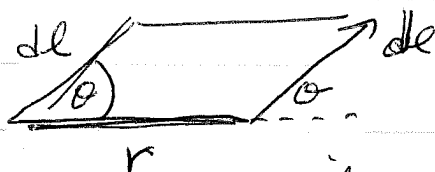
same form as  $\vec{E}$  from electric dipole  $\vec{p}$

For a current loop in a plane (any shape loop provided it is flat)

$$\vec{m} = \frac{1}{2c} \int d^3x \vec{r} \times \vec{j} = \frac{1}{2c} I \oint \vec{r} \times d\vec{l}$$



area of triangle is  $\frac{1}{2} r dl \sin \theta$   
 $= \frac{1}{2} |\vec{r} \times d\vec{l}|$



area of ~~rectangle~~ trapezoid is  $r dl \sin \theta$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{m} = \frac{1}{2} I (\text{area}) \hat{m}$$

$\uparrow$  area of loop

$\leftarrow$  outward normal

(direction given by right hand rule with respect to direction of current)

magnetic dipole moment  $\vec{m}$  is independent of location of origin.

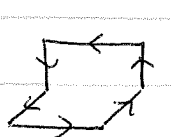
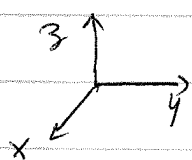
$$\vec{r}' = \vec{r} + \vec{d} \quad \text{new coord}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{m}' &= \frac{1}{2c} \int d^3r' (\vec{r}' \times \vec{j}) = \frac{1}{2c} \int d^3r (\vec{r} + \vec{d}) \times \vec{j} \\ &= \frac{1}{2c} \int d^3r \vec{r} \times \vec{j} + \frac{1}{2c} \vec{d} \times \left[ \int d^3r \vec{j} \right] \end{aligned}$$

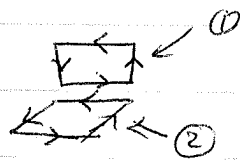
$$\vec{m}' = \vec{m} + 0 \quad \text{as } \int d^3r \vec{j} = 0$$

for planar loop  $\vec{m} = \frac{Ia}{c} \hat{n}$  where  $a = \text{area}$   
 $\hat{n} = \text{outward normal}$

can also apply to get  $\vec{m}$  for piecewise planar loops



= superposition of



$$\vec{m} = \vec{m}_1 + \vec{m}_2$$

$$\vec{m}_1 = \frac{Ia_1}{c} \hat{x}$$

$$\vec{m}_2 = \frac{Ia_2}{c} \hat{z}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{m} = \frac{I}{c} (a_1 \hat{x} + a_2 \hat{z})$$