

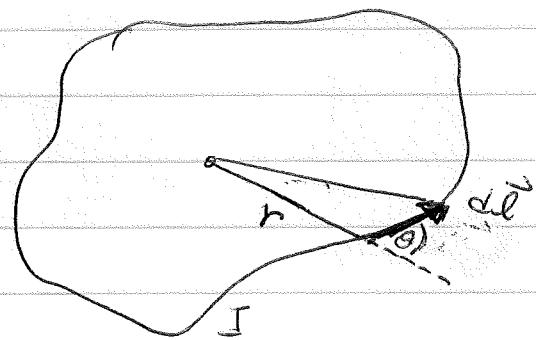
$$\boxed{\vec{B} = \frac{3(\vec{m} \cdot \hat{r})\hat{r} - \vec{m}}{r^3}}$$

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

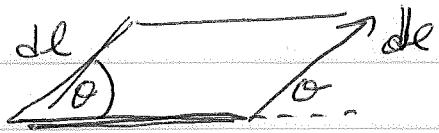
For a current loop in a plane

(any shape loop provided it is flat)

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



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



$$\text{area of trapezoid is } r dl \sin \theta$$

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

$\hat{m}$   $\nwarrow$  outward normal  
 area of loop (direction given by right hand rule with respect to direction of current)

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

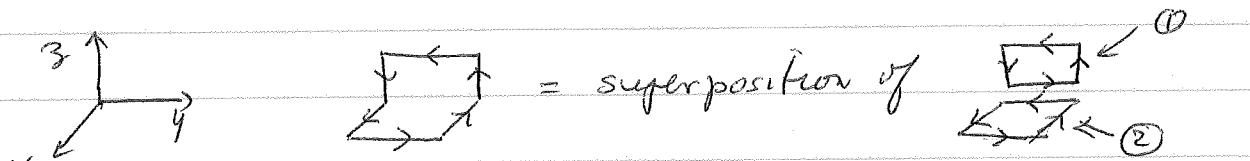
$$\vec{r}' = \vec{r} + \vec{d} \quad \text{new coord}$$

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

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

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



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

$$\vec{m}_1 = \frac{I}{c} a_1 \hat{x}$$

$$\vec{m}_2 = \frac{I}{c} a_2 \hat{z}$$

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

## Boundary value problems in magnetostatics

### Scalar Magnetic Potential

Because of the vector character of the equation

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

and the fact that  $\nabla^2 \vec{A}$  only has a convenient representation in Cartesian coordinates, many of the methods we used to solve the scalar  $-\nabla^2 \phi = 4\pi\rho$  don't work so well for magnetostatics.

However, in situations where the current  $\vec{J}$  is confined to certain surfaces, we can make things much closer to the electrostatic case by using the trick of the scalar magnetic potential  $\phi_M$ .

In regions where  $\vec{J} = 0$ , i.e. not on the certain surfaces, we have  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0$  and  $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = 0$ . Since  $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = 0$  in these regions, we can define a scalar potential  $\phi_M$  such that

$$\vec{B} = -\vec{\nabla} \phi_M$$

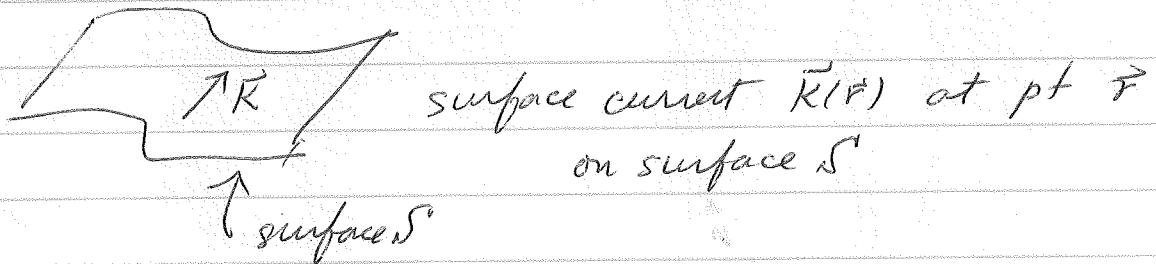
and then

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = -\vec{\nabla}^2 \phi_M = 0$$

We can solve for  $\phi_M$  as in electrostatics, and match solutions by applying appropriate boundary conditions on the current carrying surfaces.

## Boundary Conditions at sheet current

in magnetostatics  $\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0$ ,  $\nabla \times \vec{B} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{J}$



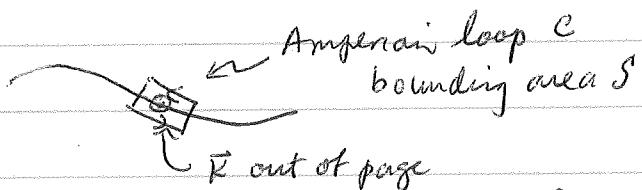
in Gaussian pillbox vol  $V$   $\int_V d^3r \nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0$

side view

top + bottom area of pill box is  $dA$   
width of pill box  $\rightarrow 0$

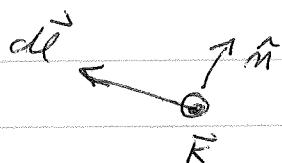
$$\Rightarrow \int_V d^3r \nabla \cdot \vec{B} = \oint_S dA \hat{n} \cdot \vec{B} = dA (\vec{B}_{\text{above}} - \vec{B}_{\text{below}}) \cdot \hat{n} = 0$$

normal component of  $\vec{B}$  is continuous  $(\vec{B}_{\text{above}} - \vec{B}_{\text{below}}) \cdot \hat{n} = 0$



$$\oint_S dA \hat{n} \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{B}) = \oint_C \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \frac{4\pi}{c} I_{\text{enclosed}}$$

let width of loop  $\rightarrow 0$ , top + bottom sides  $d\vec{l}$



$$(\vec{B}_{\text{above}} - \vec{B}_{\text{below}}) \cdot d\vec{l} = \frac{4\pi}{c} (\hat{n} \times d\vec{l}) \cdot \vec{K} \\ = \frac{4\pi}{c} (\vec{K} \times \hat{n}) \cdot d\vec{l}$$

tangential component of  $\vec{B}$  has discontinuous jump  $\frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{K} \times \hat{n}$

Combine both results into

$$\vec{B}_{\text{above}} - \vec{B}_{\text{below}} = \frac{4\pi}{c} K \times \hat{M}$$

$$\text{magnetic analog of } \vec{E}_{\text{above}} - \vec{E}_{\text{below}} = 4\pi \sigma \hat{M}$$

In terms of magnetic ~~scalar~~ potential  $\phi_M$

$$-\vec{\nabla}\phi_M^{\text{above}} + \vec{\nabla}\phi_M^{\text{below}} = \frac{4\pi}{c} K \times \hat{M}$$

Note:  $\phi_M$  is a computational tool only, it does not have any direct physical significance as does the electrostatic  $\phi$ .

Electrostatic  $\phi$  is related to work done

$$\text{moving a charge } W_{12} = q [\phi(r_2) - \phi(r_1)]$$

nothing similar for  $\phi_M$ .

(in fact magnetostatic magnetic forces do no work!)

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{F} &= q \vec{v} \times \vec{B} \\ \Rightarrow \vec{F} \cdot \vec{v} &= \frac{dW}{dt} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Note:

$\phi_M$  is not necessarily continuous at surface current

Cannot do similar to electrostatics and use

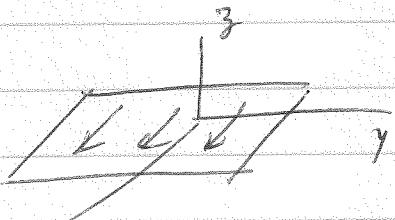
$$\phi_M(r_{\text{above}}) - \phi_M(r_{\text{below}}) = - \int_{r_{\text{below}}}^{r_{\text{above}}} \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l}$$

Since  $\phi_M$  is not defined on the current sheet itself, separating "above" from "below".

example

Flat infinite plane at  $z=0$  with surface current

$$\vec{R} = K \hat{x}$$



$$z > 0, \nabla^2 \phi_M^> = 0 \Rightarrow \phi_M^> = a^> - b_x^> x - b_y^> y - b_z^> z$$

$$z < 0, \nabla^2 \phi_M^< = 0 \Rightarrow \phi_M^< = a^< - b_x^< x - b_y^< y - b_z^< z$$

$$z > 0, \vec{B}^> = -\vec{\nabla} \phi_M^> = b_x^> \hat{x} + b_y^> \hat{y} + b_z^> \hat{z}$$

$$z < 0, \vec{B}^< = -\vec{\nabla} \phi_M^< = b_x^< \hat{x} + b_y^< \hat{y} + b_z^< \hat{z}$$

$$\text{at } z=0 \quad \vec{B}^> - \vec{B}^< = (b_x^> - b_x^<) \hat{x} + (b_y^> - b_y^<) \hat{y} + (b_z^> - b_z^<) \hat{z}$$

$$= \frac{4\pi K}{c} \hat{x} \times \hat{z} = \frac{4\pi K}{c} (\hat{x} \times \hat{z}) = -\frac{4\pi K}{c} \hat{y}$$

$$\Rightarrow b_x^> = b_x^< = b_{x0}, \quad b_z^> = b_z^< = b_{z0}, \quad b_y^> - b_y^< = -\frac{4\pi K}{c}$$

define  $b_y^> = b_{y0} + 8b_y \quad \left. \begin{matrix} \\ s b_y = -\frac{2\pi K}{c} \end{matrix} \right.$

$$b_y^< = b_{y0} - 8b_y \quad \left. \begin{matrix} \\ s b_y = -\frac{2\pi K}{c} \end{matrix} \right.$$

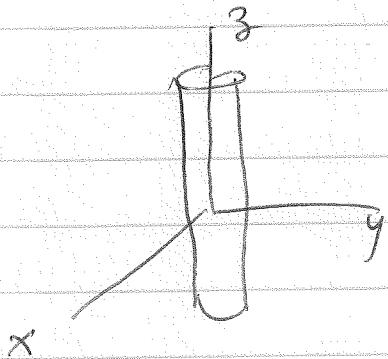
$$\Rightarrow \vec{B}^> = \vec{B}_0 - \frac{2\pi K}{c} \hat{y} \quad \vec{B}_0 = b_{x0} \hat{x} + b_{y0} \hat{y} + b_{z0} \hat{z}$$

$$\vec{B}^< = \vec{B}_0 + \frac{2\pi K}{c} \hat{y}$$

If  $\vec{K}$  is the only source of magnetic field then  $\vec{B}_0 = 0$

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

example current carrying infinite cylinder radius R



- (i)  $\vec{K} = K \hat{z}$  wire with surface current
- (ii)  $\vec{K} = K \hat{\phi}$  solenoid

$$(i) \vec{K} = K \hat{z} \quad 2\pi R K = I \text{ total current}$$

$\curvearrowleft$  "guess" + show it is correct

$$r > R \quad \boxed{\phi_M = -\frac{4\pi R K \varphi}{c}} \quad \text{magnetic scalar potential} \quad \nabla^2 \phi_M = 0$$

$$r < R \quad \phi_M = 0$$

$$r > R \quad \vec{B} = -\vec{\nabla} \phi_M = -\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \phi_M}{\partial \varphi} \hat{\varphi} = \frac{4\pi R K}{c r} \hat{\varphi} = \boxed{\frac{2I}{cr} \hat{\varphi}} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{familiar} \\ \text{result} \\ \text{from} \\ \text{Ampere} \end{matrix}$$

$$r < R \quad \vec{B} = 0$$

$$\vec{B}_{\text{above}} - \vec{B}_{\text{below}} = \frac{2I}{cR} \hat{\varphi} = \frac{4\pi K}{c} \frac{R}{r} \hat{\varphi} = \frac{4\pi K}{c} \vec{r} \hat{\varphi}$$

where  $\vec{r} = \hat{r}$   
as  $\hat{z} \times \hat{r} = \hat{\varphi}$

Note:  $\phi_M = -\frac{4\pi R K \varphi}{c}$  is not single valued!

would not have found this using expansion  
of separation of coords in polar coords

$\phi_M$  does not need to be single valued since it has  
no physical significance. Only  $\vec{B} = -\vec{\nabla} \phi_M$  is physical.

$$(ii) \vec{K} = K \hat{\varphi}$$

$$r > R \quad \phi_M = -B_1 \hat{z}$$

$$r < R \quad \phi_M = -B_2 \hat{z}$$

$$r > R \quad \vec{B} = -\vec{\nabla} \phi_M = B_1 \hat{z}$$

$$r < R \quad \vec{B} = -\vec{\nabla} \phi_M = B_2 \hat{z}$$

$$\nabla^2 \phi_M = 0$$

$$\vec{B}_{\text{above}} - \vec{B}_{\text{below}} = (B_1 - B_2) \hat{z} = \frac{4\pi K}{2} \vec{r} \times \hat{m}$$

$$= \frac{4\pi K}{2} (\hat{\phi} \times \hat{r})$$

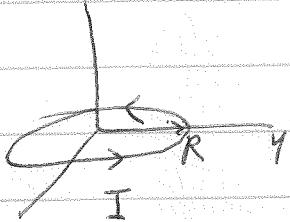
$$= -\frac{4\pi K}{2} \hat{z}$$

If current in solenoid is only source of  $\vec{B}$  Then expect  $B_1 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{B_2 = \frac{4\pi K}{2} \hat{z}} \quad \text{familiar result}$$

example circular current loop in  $xy$  plane

3 radius  $R$



for  $r > R$ ,  $\nabla \times \vec{B} = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{B} = -\hat{\theta} \phi_M$   
where  $\nabla^2 \phi_M = 0$ .

Try Legendre polynomial expansion for  $\phi_M$

$$\phi_M = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{B_l}{r^{l+1}} P_l(\cos\theta) \quad (\text{All terms vanish as want } B \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } r \rightarrow \infty)$$

$$\vec{B} = -\vec{\nabla} \phi_M = -\frac{\partial \phi_M}{\partial r} \hat{r} - \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \phi_M}{\partial \theta} \hat{\theta}$$

$$= \sum_l \left[ \frac{(l+1)B_l}{r^{l+2}} P_l(\cos\theta) \hat{r} - \frac{B_l}{r^{l+2}} \frac{\partial P_l(\cos\theta)}{\partial \theta} \hat{\theta} \right]$$

write  $\frac{\partial P_l}{\partial \theta} = \frac{\partial P_l}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial \theta} = -\frac{\partial P_l}{\partial x} \sin\theta \quad x = \cos\theta$   
 $\equiv -P'_l \sin\theta$

$$\vec{B} = \sum_l \left[ \frac{(l+1)B_l}{r^{l+2}} P_l(\cos\theta) \hat{r} + \frac{B_l}{r^{l+2}} \sin\theta P'_l(\cos\theta) \hat{\theta} \right]$$

To determine the  $B_l$  we compare with exact solution along  $\hat{z}$  axis

$$\vec{B}(z\hat{z}) = \sum_l \frac{(l+1)B_l}{r^{l+2}} \hat{r} = \sum_l \frac{(l+1)B_l}{z^{l+2}} \hat{z}$$

since  $P_l(1) = 1$ ,  $\sin(0) = 0$  and  $P'_l(1)$  finite,  $\hat{r} = \hat{z}$  when  $\theta = 0$

exact solution on  $\vec{z}$  axis:

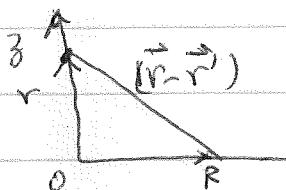
$$\vec{A} = \int_C d^3r' \frac{\vec{f}(r')}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|} \Rightarrow \vec{B}(\vec{r}) = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A} = \int_C \frac{d^3r'}{C} \vec{\nabla} \times \frac{\vec{f}(r')}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|}$$

$$\vec{B} = - \int_C d^3r' \vec{f}(r') \times \vec{\nabla} \left( \frac{1}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|} \right)$$

$$\vec{B} = \int_C d^3r' \frac{\vec{f}(r') \times (\vec{r}-\vec{r}')}{C |\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|^3}$$

Biot-Savart Law for  
magnetostatics

For our loop



$$\vec{B}(z) = \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \frac{R}{C} I \hat{\phi} \times \frac{[z \hat{z} - R \hat{r}]}{(z^2 + R^2)^{3/2}}$$

polar radius vector

$$\hat{r} \times \hat{\phi} = \hat{z}$$

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

$\hat{\phi} \times \hat{z}$  term  
integrates to zero

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

to match Legendre polynomial expansion, do Taylor series expansion  
of above

$$\vec{B}(z) = \frac{2\pi R^2 I \hat{z}}{C z^3} \frac{1}{(1 + (R/z)^2)^{3/2}} = \frac{2\pi R^2 I \hat{z}}{z^3} \left\{ 1 - \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{R}{z}\right)^2 + \dots \right\}$$

$$= \frac{2\pi R^2 I \hat{z}}{C} \left\{ \frac{1}{z^3} - \frac{3}{2} \frac{R^2}{z^5} + \dots \right\}$$

$$\approx \left\{ \frac{B_0}{z^2} + \frac{2B_1}{z^3} + \frac{3B_2}{z^4} + \frac{4B_3}{z^5} + \dots \right\} \hat{z}$$

$$\Rightarrow B_0 = 0, \quad B_1 = \frac{\pi R^2 I}{c} \hat{r}, \quad B_2 = 0, \quad B_3 = -\frac{3 \pi R^2 I R^2}{4c}$$

So to order  $L=3$

$$\vec{B}(r) = \frac{\pi R^2 I}{c} \left\{ \frac{2 P_1(\cos\theta) \hat{r} + \sin\theta P'_1(\cos\theta) \hat{\theta}}{r^3} - \frac{[3R^2 P_3(\cos\theta) \hat{r} + \frac{3}{4} R^2 \sin\theta P'_3(\cos\theta) \hat{\theta}]}{r^5} + \dots \right\}$$

$$P_1(x) = x \Rightarrow P'_1(x) = 1$$

$$P_3(x) = \frac{1}{2}(5x^3 - 3x) \Rightarrow P'_3(x) = \frac{1}{2}(15x^2 - 3)$$

$$\vec{B}(r) = \frac{\pi R^2 I}{c} \left\{ \frac{2 \cos\theta \hat{r} + \sin\theta \hat{\theta}}{r^3} \right.$$

$$\left. - \frac{\frac{3}{2} R^2 (5 \cos^3\theta - 3 \cos\theta) \hat{r} + \frac{3}{8} R^2 \sin\theta (15 \cos^2\theta - 3) \hat{\theta}}{r^5} \right\} + \dots$$

$\frac{\pi R^2 I}{c} = m$  is the magnetic dipole moment of the loop

We see that the 1st term is just the magnetic dipole approx. The 2nd term is the magnetic octopole term. Could easily get higher order terms by this method.

Compare our result above to Jackson (5-40)