

10.1 Introduction

→ Whereas electrostatics has stationary charges, magnetostatics has steady magnetic fields

Magnetostatics: the study of magnetic fields in systems where electric charges move at uniform velocity (doesn't change with time)

→ We use \vec{B} to represent magnetic flux density (magnetic field)

↳ units of Wb/m^2

→ Let's suppose a charge q is placed in the region where both the electric field \vec{E} and the magnetic field \vec{B} exist

→ if the charge is at rest...
only electric force exists

$$\vec{F}_e = q\vec{E} \quad \text{ELECTRIC FORCE}$$

→ if the charge is in motion with a velocity of \vec{u} , it will experience an additional magnetic force \vec{F}_m

$$\vec{F}_m = q\vec{u} \times \vec{B} \quad \text{MAGNETIC FORCE}$$

→ if your test charge is moving, it will experience a total force

$$\vec{F} = q(\vec{E} + \vec{u} \times \vec{B}) \quad \text{LORENTZ FORCE}$$

→ Unit analysis! $\left. \begin{array}{l} \rightarrow \vec{B} \text{ is measured in Teslas [T]} \\ \rightarrow \vec{\Phi}_B \text{ is measured in webers [Wb]} \end{array} \right\} \underline{\underline{1\text{T} = \frac{1\text{Wb}}{\text{m}^2} = \frac{\text{N}\cdot\text{s}}{\text{C}\cdot\text{m}}}}$

10.2 The Cross Product

The cross product is crucial for the mathematical study of magnetic fields! If you have vectors \vec{A} and \vec{B} at an angle of θ to each other, then we define the cross product as:

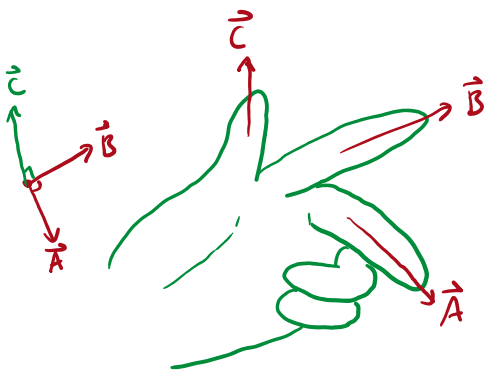
$$\vec{A} \times \vec{B} = |\vec{A}| |\vec{B}| \sin \theta$$

magnitude of the cross product

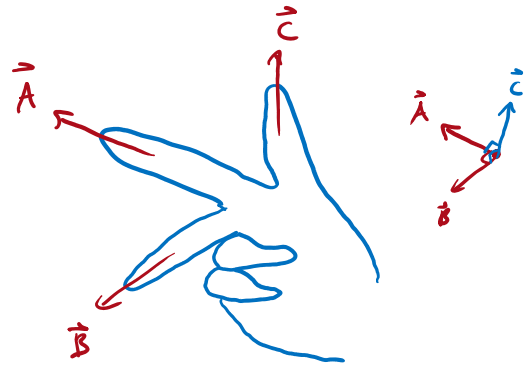
→ the direction of $\vec{A} \times \vec{B}$ is \perp to the two vectors (normal to the plane)

direction can be determined easily using Fleming's right- or left-hand rules

① Fleming's Left Hand Rule



② Fleming's Right Hand Rule



Note: \vec{C} is the direction of the cross product of \vec{A} and \vec{B}

How do we know if the direction of $\vec{A} \times \vec{B} = \vec{C}$ is positive/negative?

↳ Let's follow this convention for each coordinate system

Cartesian

$$\hat{x} \rightarrow \hat{y} \rightarrow \hat{z}$$

Cylindrical

$$\hat{r} \rightarrow \hat{\phi} \rightarrow \hat{z}$$

Spherical

$$\hat{r} \rightarrow \hat{\theta} \rightarrow \hat{\phi}$$

↳ When we go with the arrows, the cross-product is in the +ve direction

$$\hat{x} \times \hat{y} = +\hat{z}$$

$$\hat{\theta} \times \hat{z} = +\hat{r}$$

$$\hat{\phi} \times \hat{r} = +\hat{\theta}$$

↳ When we go ...,

$$\underline{\text{Ex:}} \quad \hat{x} \times \hat{y} = +\hat{z} \quad \hat{\phi} \times \hat{z} = +\hat{r} \quad \hat{\phi} \times \hat{r} = +\hat{\theta}$$

↳ When we go against the arrows, the cross-product is in the -ve direction

$$\underline{\text{Ex:}} \quad \hat{y} \times \hat{x} = -\hat{z} \quad \hat{z} \times \hat{\phi} = -\hat{r} \quad \hat{r} \times \hat{\phi} = -\hat{\theta}$$

10.3 Gauss Law for Magnetism

→ Magnets will always have a north and south pole

↳ the magnetic field lines leave the north pole and into the south pole

↳ the magnetic field lines must make a closed loop

↳ this means the flux on a closed surface is zero!

$$\oint_S \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{S} = 0$$

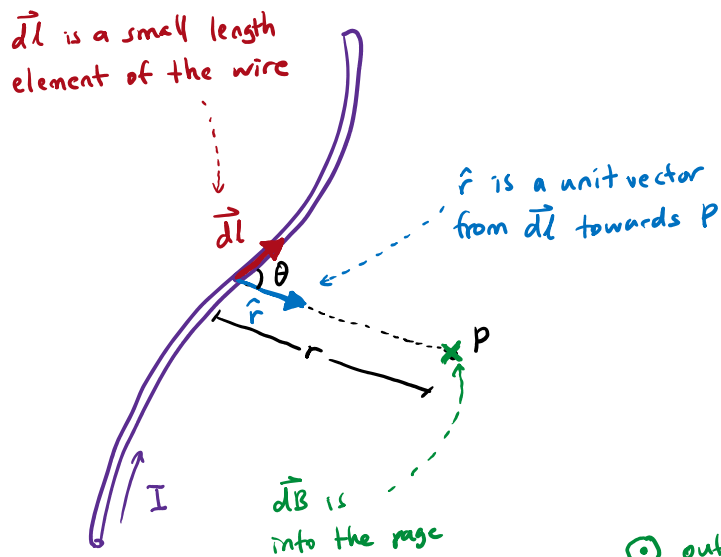
GAUSS LAW FOR
MAGNETISM

(2nd Maxwell Equation)

↳ only true in the classical world

10.4 Biot-Savart Law due to Current

Biot-Savart Law: gives the contribution $d\vec{B}$ to the magnetic field at a point P due to a small element of current in the direction $d\vec{l}$



The differential magnetic field $d\vec{B}$ due to the differential current element $I d\vec{l}$ is:

$$d\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{I d\vec{l} \times \hat{r}}{r^2} \quad \text{BIOT-SAVART LAW}$$

$$\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \frac{\text{N}}{\text{A}^2} \text{ or } \frac{\text{T}\cdot\text{m}}{\text{A}}$$

\hookrightarrow permeability of free space

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To determine the TOTAL MAGNETIC FIELD \vec{B} :

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

TOTAL MAGNETIC FIELD FROM INTEGRATING THE BIOT-SAVART LAW

Steps to Evaluate \vec{B}

- ① Pick an appropriate coordinate system
- ② Define arbitrary point A on circuit and $d\vec{l}$ in terms of coordinate parameter
- ③ Evaluate $d\vec{l} \times \hat{r}$ (magnitude and direction)
- ④ Look for symmetry \rightarrow decompose $d\vec{B}$ if it exists only in one specific direction
- ⑤ Integrate to find \vec{B}

10.5 Biot-Savart Law for Moving Charges

We can modify the Biot-Savart Law equation to be written in terms of charge and velocity (useful for moving charges @ a certain speed)

$$\vec{dB} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{I \vec{dl} \times \hat{r}}{r^2} \quad \text{but } I = \frac{dq}{dt} \quad (\text{current is charge per unit time})$$

$$\vec{dB} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{dq}{dt} \frac{\vec{dl} \times \hat{r}}{r^2} \quad \text{but } \vec{v} = \frac{d\vec{l}}{dt}$$

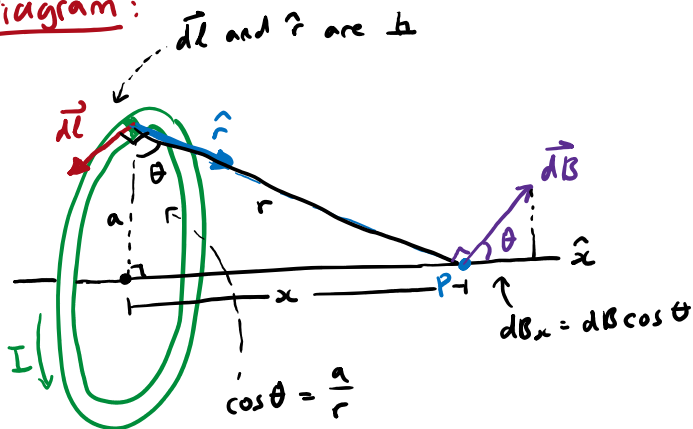
$$\vec{dB} = \frac{\mu_0 dq \vec{v} \times \hat{r}}{4\pi r^2}$$

BIOT-SAVART LAW FOR
MOVING CHARGES

10.6a Example #1

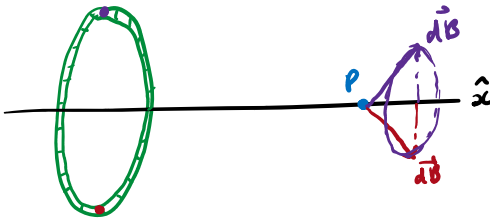
Find the magnetic field at an arbitrary point P on the axis of a circular loop of radius a carrying a current I

Diagram:



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→ $d\vec{B}_x \hat{x}$



→ The Biot-Savart Law determines $d\vec{B}$ at P , so we must identify vectors $d\vec{l}$ and \hat{r}

→ When we go around the ring, the $d\vec{B}$ components that are perpendicular to the axis will cancel, giving a net magnetic field along the x -axis

→ We just need to find $d\vec{B}_x$ and integrate!

Biot-Savart Law:

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

$$d\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I dl}{4\pi r^2}$$

$$d\vec{B}_x = \frac{\mu_0 I dl}{4\pi r^2} \cos \theta = \frac{\mu_0 I dl a}{4\pi r^3} = \frac{\mu_0 I dl a}{4\pi (a^2 + x^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$\vec{B} = \int d\vec{B}_x \hat{x} = \frac{\mu_0 I a}{4\pi} \int \frac{dl}{(x^2 + a^2)^{3/2}} = \frac{\mu_0 I a}{4\pi (x^2 + a^2)^{3/2}} \int dl$$

$$\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I a (2\pi a)}{4\pi (x^2 + a^2)^{3/2}} \hat{x}$$

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

Aside: $d\vec{B}_x = dB \cos \theta$; $\cos \theta = \frac{a}{r}$; $r = \sqrt{a^2 + x^2}$

→ $d\vec{l} \times \hat{r}$ → we know $d\vec{l} \perp \hat{r}$ so $\theta = 90^\circ$
 $= dl(r) \sin 90^\circ$ and $|\hat{r}| = 1$
 $= dl$

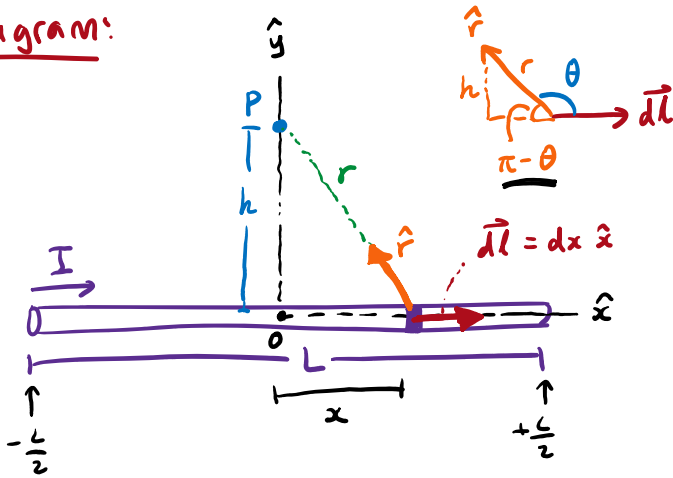
↙ $\int dl = 2\pi a$

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

10.6b Example #2

A thin, straight wire is carrying current I . Calculate the magnetic field at point P on an axis going halfway through the wire. Assume the leads to the ends of the wire cancel the field at point P (eg. You twist the wires)

Diagram:



Aside: $|\vec{dl} \times \hat{r}| = |\vec{dl}| |\hat{r}| \sin \theta$
 $= dx (1) \sin \theta \leftarrow \sin \theta = \sin(\pi - \theta)$
 $= dx \sin(\pi - \theta)$ but $\sin(\pi - \theta) = h/r$
 $= \underline{\underline{dx \left(\frac{h}{r} \right)}}$ ($+\hat{z}$) by inspection

$$\Rightarrow r = \sqrt{x^2 + h^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int \frac{dx}{(x^2 + h^2)^{3/2}} = \frac{x}{h^2 \sqrt{h^2 + x^2}}$$

Biot-Savart Law:

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

$$d\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{I dx h}{r^3} \hat{z}$$

$$d\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I h dx}{4\pi (x^2 + h^2)^{3/2}} \hat{z}$$

$$\vec{B} = \int d\vec{B} \hat{z}$$

$$\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I h}{4\pi} \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} \frac{dx}{(x^2 + h^2)^{3/2}} \hat{z}$$

$$\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I h}{4\pi} \left[\frac{x}{h^2 \sqrt{h^2 + x^2}} \right]_{-L/2}^{L/2} \hat{z}$$

$$\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I h (2L)}{4\pi h^2 \sqrt{4h^2 + L^2}} \hat{z}$$

$$\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I h L}{2\pi h^2 \sqrt{4h^2 + L^2}} \hat{z}$$