

## Section 5.2 - Biot-Savart Law

\* review:

~ charge element (scalar):

~ current element (vector!):

surface, volume current density

~ steady currents: analog of

electrostatic stationary charges

$$\begin{aligned} dq &\sim \lambda dl \sim \sigma da \sim \rho d\tau \\ dq \vec{v} &\sim I d\vec{l} \sim \vec{K} da \sim \vec{J} d\tau \end{aligned} \quad \times \vec{v}$$

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \oint \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{a} \\ &= \int \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{a} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Delta I = \frac{dQ}{dt} = 0$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{J} = -\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = 0$$

\* electrostatic vs. magnetostatic force laws

~ definition of "force" fields  $E, B$  (vs. "source" fields  $D, H$ , see next chapter)

~ fields mediate force from one charge (current) to another (action at a distance)

~ experiment by Oersted defined direction of field, Ampere defined magnitude

~ Coulomb Law (electric)

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{F}_e &= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \int \frac{dq dq' \hat{r}}{r^2} = \int dq \vec{E} & \vec{E} &= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \frac{dq' \hat{r}}{r^2} = -\nabla \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \frac{dq'}{r} = -\nabla V \end{aligned}$$

~ Biot-Savart Law (magnetic)

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{F}_m &= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \oint \oint \frac{I d\vec{l} \cdot I' d\vec{l}' \hat{r}}{r^2} = \oint I' d\vec{l}' \times \vec{B} & \vec{B} &= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \oint \frac{I' d\vec{l}' \times \hat{r}}{r^2} = ? \end{aligned}$$

~ proof:  $A \times (B \times C) = B(A \cdot C) - C(A \cdot B)$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{F}_m &= \oint I d\vec{l} \times \oint \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{I' d\vec{l}' \times \hat{r}}{r^2} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \oint \oint I' d\vec{l}' \left( \underbrace{I d\vec{l} \cdot \nabla \frac{1}{r}}_{\oint I d\frac{1}{r} = 0} - \frac{\hat{r}}{r^2} (I d\vec{l} \cdot I' d\vec{l}') \right) \end{aligned}$$

~ combined: Lorentz force law

$$\vec{F} = \int dq (\vec{E} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B}) = \int d\tau (\rho \vec{E} + \vec{J} \times \vec{B})$$

\* Example 5.5: Parallel wires

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{B} &= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{I' d\vec{l}' \times \hat{r}}{r^3} = \frac{\mu_0 I'}{4\pi} \int_{z'=a}^b \frac{dz' \hat{z} \times (s \hat{s} + (z-z') \hat{z})}{(s^2 + (z-z')^2)^{3/2}} \\ &= \frac{\mu_0 I'}{4\pi} \int_{z'=a}^b \frac{s dz' \hat{\phi}}{(s^2 + (z-z')^2)^{3/2}} = \frac{\mu_0 I'}{4\pi} \int \frac{s^2 \sec^2 \theta d\theta \hat{\phi}}{(s^2 (1 + \tan^2 \theta))^{3/2}} \\ &= \frac{\mu_0 I'}{4\pi s} \int \cos \theta d\theta \hat{\phi} = \frac{\mu_0 I'}{4\pi s} (\sin \theta_b - \sin \theta_a) \hat{\phi} \end{aligned}$$

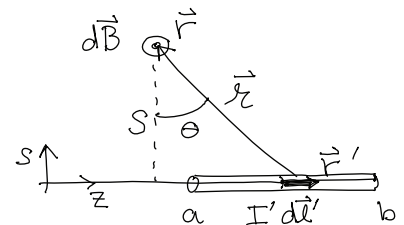
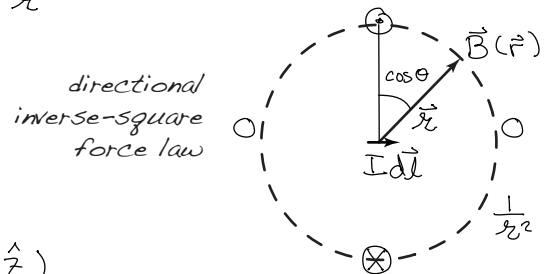
~ for an infinite wire:

$$\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I'}{2\pi s} \hat{\phi}$$

~ for a second parallel wire:

$$\vec{F} = \int I d\vec{l} \times \vec{B} = -\frac{\mu_0}{2\pi} \frac{II'}{s} \hat{s} l$$

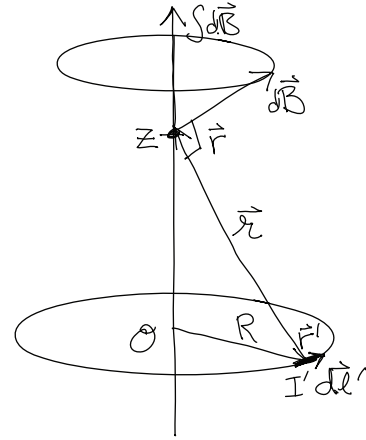
as shown before, this was used to define the Ampere (current)  $\rightarrow$  Tesla (B-field)



$$\begin{aligned} \text{let } z-z' &= -\tan \theta \\ dz' &= s \sec^2 \theta d\theta \end{aligned}$$

\* Example 5.6: Current loop:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{B} &= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \oint I' d\vec{l}' \times \frac{\vec{r}}{r^3} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int_{\phi'=0}^{2\pi} I' R d\phi' \hat{\phi}' \times \frac{z\hat{z} - R\hat{s}'}{r^3} \\
 &= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int_{\phi'=0}^{2\pi} I' R d\phi' \frac{z\hat{s}' + R\hat{z}}{r^3} \\
 &= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int_{\phi'=0}^{2\pi} I' R d\phi' \frac{z(\cos\phi'\hat{x} + \sin\phi'\hat{y}) + R\hat{z}}{r^3} \\
 &= \frac{\mu_0 I'}{4\pi} 2\pi \frac{R^2 \hat{z}}{r^3} = \frac{\mu_0 I' R^2 \hat{z}}{2(R^2 + z^2)^{3/2}}
 \end{aligned}$$



\* Example: Off-axis field of current loop:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{B} &= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \oint I' d\vec{l}' \times \frac{\vec{r}}{r^3} \\
 &= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int_{\phi'=0}^{2\pi} I' R d\phi' \hat{\phi}' \times \frac{z\hat{z} + (s\hat{s} - R\hat{s}')}{(z^2 + (s\hat{s} - R\hat{s}')^2)^{3/2}} \\
 &= \frac{\mu_0 I'}{4\pi} \int_{\phi'=0}^{2\pi} R d\phi' \hat{\phi}' \times \frac{z\hat{z} + s\hat{x} - R\hat{s}'}{(r^2 + R^2 - 2sR\cos\phi')^{3/2}} \\
 &= \frac{\mu_0 I'}{4\pi} \int_{\phi'=0}^{2\pi} R d\phi' (-\sin\phi'\hat{x} + \cos\phi'\hat{y}) \times \frac{(z\hat{z} + s\hat{x} + R\sin\phi'\hat{x} - R\cos\phi'\hat{y})}{(r^2 + R^2 - 2sR\cos\phi')^{3/2}} \\
 &= \frac{\mu_0 I' R}{4\pi} \int_{\phi'=0}^{2\pi} \frac{z\hat{x} - (s+R)\hat{z} \cos\phi' d\phi'}{(r^2 + R^2 - 2sR\cos\phi')^{3/2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

