

Chapter 5. Magnetostatics and Electromagnetic Induction

5.1 Magnetic Field of Steady Currents

The Lorentz force law

The magnetic force in a charge q , moving with velocity \mathbf{v} in a magnetic field \mathbf{B} in a magnetic field is

$$\mathbf{F}_{mag} = q(\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}) \quad (5.1)$$

In the presence of both electric and magnetic fields, the net force on q would be

$$\mathbf{F} = q[\mathbf{E} + (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B})] \quad (5.2)$$

This rather fundamental equation known as Lorentz force law tells us precisely how electric and magnetic fields act on a moving charged particle.

Cyclotron motion

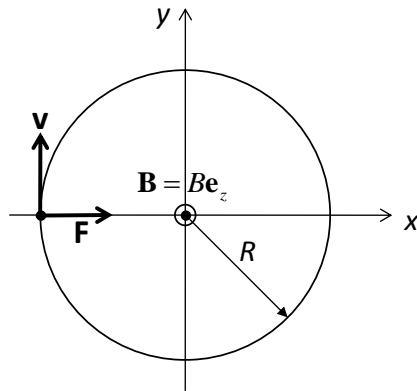


Fig 5.1

The archetypical motion of a charged particle in a magnetic field is circular, with the magnetic force providing the centripetal acceleration. In Fig. 5.1 a uniform magnetic field is aligned in the z direction, and a particle of charge q and mass m is moving with a velocity $\mathbf{v}(0) = v\mathbf{e}_y$ at $t = 0$. Using Eq. 5.2 we come up with the equation of motion of this particle,

$$\begin{cases} m \frac{dv_x}{dt} = qBv_y \\ m \frac{dv_y}{dt} = -qBv_x \end{cases} \quad (5.3)$$

Differentiating the first equation with time and then using the second equation, we get

$$\frac{d^2v_x}{dt^2} = \frac{qB}{m} \frac{dv_y}{dt} = -\left(\frac{qB}{m}\right)^2 v_x \quad (5.4)$$

Here we find

$$\frac{d^2 v_x}{dt^2} = -\omega_c^2 v_x \quad (5.5)$$

where the cyclotron frequency is defined as

$$\omega_c = \frac{qB}{m} \quad (5.6)$$

Similarly,

$$\frac{d^2 v_y}{dt^2} = -\omega_c^2 v_y \quad (5.7)$$

The general solution of Eq. 5.5 and 5.7 is $C_1 \cos \omega_c t + C_2 \sin \omega_c t$. Using the initial condition, $v_x(0) = 0$ and $v_y(0) = v$, and Eq. 5.3, we can determine the coefficients, i.e.,

$$\begin{cases} v_x(t) = v \sin \omega_c t \\ v_y(t) = v \cos \omega_c t \end{cases} \quad (5.8)$$

Integrating Eq. 5.7 with time, we get

$$\begin{cases} x(t) = -R \cos \omega_c t \\ y(t) = R \sin \omega_c t \end{cases} \quad (5.9)$$

where the radius of the circular motion is

$$R = \frac{v}{\omega_c} = \frac{mv}{qB} \quad (5.10)$$

and we chose the initial position, $x(0) = -R$ and $y(0) = 0$.

Electrical currents

The current, I , is defined as the rate at which charge is transported through a given surface in a conducting system (e.g., through a given cross section of a wire). Thus,

$$I = \frac{dQ}{dt} \quad (5.11)$$

where $Q = Q(t)$ is the net charge transported in time t . The magnetic force on a segment $d\mathbf{l}$ of current-carrying wire (line charge density λ) is

$$\mathbf{F}_{mag} = \int (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}) dq = \int (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}) \lambda dl = \int (\mathbf{I} \times \mathbf{B}) dl = \int I(d\mathbf{l} \times \mathbf{B}) \quad (5.12)$$

Current density and the continuity equation

When the flow of charge is distributed throughout a three-dimensional region, we describe it by the volume current density, \mathbf{J} , defined as follows. In Fig. 5.2, a flow of charge (density ρ) moving with a velocity of \mathbf{v} is passing through an infinitesimal cross section da (\mathbf{n} is a unit vector normal to the area). Then the current dI is

$$dI = \frac{dq}{dt} = \frac{\rho(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{v} dt)(da)}{dt} = \rho \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{n} da = \mathbf{J} \cdot \mathbf{n} da \quad (5.13)$$

Here the volume current density

$$\mathbf{J} = \rho \mathbf{v} \quad (5.14)$$

is the current per unit area perpendicular to flow.

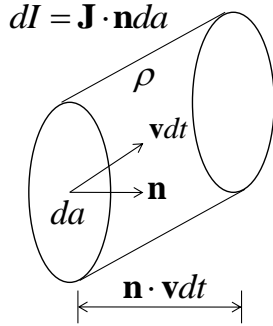


Fig 5.2

The current through an arbitrarily shaped surface area S may be written as

$$I = \int_S \mathbf{J} \cdot \mathbf{n} da \quad (5.15)$$

Applying the equation to an arbitrary closed surface S , we can obtain the electric current entering V (the volume enclosed by S),

$$I = - \oint \mathbf{J} \cdot \mathbf{n} da = - \int_V \nabla \cdot \mathbf{J} d^3x \quad (5.16)$$

The first integral has a minus sign because the surface normal \mathbf{n} is outward while the current is inward, and the last integral is obtained through the use of the divergence theorem. Here I is equal to the rate at which charge is transported into V :

$$I = \frac{dQ}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} \int_V \rho d^3x = \int_V \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} d^3x \quad (5.17)$$

Equations 5.16 and 5.17 may be equated:

$$\int_V \left(\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{J} \right) d^3x = 0 \quad (5.18)$$

Since V is completely arbitrary, we get the continuity equation

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{J} = 0 \quad (5.19)$$

This relation has its origin in the fact that charge can neither be created nor destroyed, i.e., this is the precise mathematical statement of local charge conservation.

Steady current

Steady-state magnetic phenomena are characterized by no change in the net charge density in space. Consequently in magnetostatics Eq. 5.19 reduces to

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{J} = 0 \quad (5.20)$$

A steady current refers to a continuous flow that has been going on forever, without change and without charge piling up anywhere. Steady currents produce magnetic fields that are constant in time.

Ohm's law and conductivity

It is found experimentally that in a metal at constant temperature the current density \mathbf{J} is linearly proportional to the electric field (Ohm's law):

$$\mathbf{J} = \sigma \mathbf{E} \quad (5.21)$$

The constant of proportionality σ is called the conductivity.

Biot and Savart law: The magnetic induction of a steady current

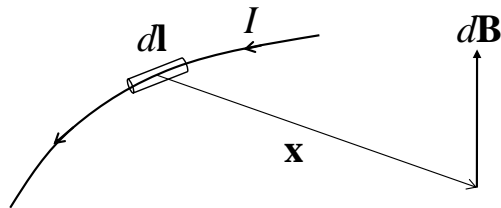


Fig 5.3 Elemental magnetic induction $d\mathbf{B}$ due to current element dl

The magnetic induction of a steady line current is given by the Biot-Savart law:

$$\mathbf{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} I \int d\mathbf{l} \times \frac{\mathbf{x}}{|\mathbf{x}|^3} \quad (5.22)$$

The constant μ_0 is called the permeability of free space:

$$\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ N/A}^2 \quad (5.23)$$

B due to a current through a long straight wire

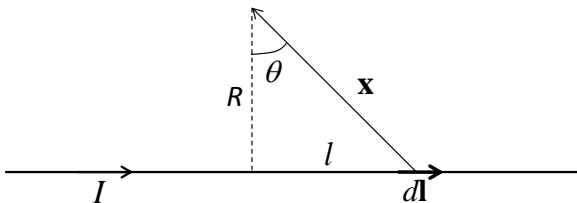


Fig 5.4

We find the magnetic induction at a distance R from a long straight wire carrying a steady current I (Fig. 5.4). In the diagram $(d\mathbf{l} \times \mathbf{x})$ points out of the page, and has the magnitude

$$|d\mathbf{l} \times \mathbf{x}| = dl \cdot x \cos \theta = Rdl \quad (5.24)$$

Therefore, the magnitude of \mathbf{B} is given by

$$B = |\mathbf{B}| = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} IR \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dl}{(l^2 + R^2)^{3/2}} \quad (5.25)$$

Since $l = R \tan \theta$, the integral can be written as

$$B = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi R} \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \frac{\sec^2 \theta d\theta}{(1 + \tan^2 \theta)^{3/2}} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi R} \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \cos \theta d\theta = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi R} \quad (5.26)$$

Thus the lines of magnetic induction are concentric circles around the wire.

Forces on current-carrying conductors

The elemental force experienced by a current element $I_1 d\mathbf{l}_1$ in the presence of a magnetic induction \mathbf{B} (Eq. 5.12) is

$$d\mathbf{F} = I_1 (d\mathbf{l}_1 \times \mathbf{B}) \quad (5.27)$$

If the external field \mathbf{B} is due to a closed current loop #2 with current I_2 , then the total force which a closed current loop #1 with current I_1 experiences is

$$\mathbf{F}_{12} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} I_1 I_2 \oint \oint \frac{d\mathbf{l}_1 \times (d\mathbf{l}_2 \times \mathbf{x}_{12})}{|\mathbf{x}_{12}|^3} \quad (5.28)$$

where \mathbf{x}_{12} is the vector distance from line element $d\mathbf{l}_2$ to $d\mathbf{l}_1$. Manipulating the integrand,

$$\frac{d\mathbf{l}_1 \times (d\mathbf{l}_2 \times \mathbf{x}_{12})}{|\mathbf{x}_{12}|^3} = d\mathbf{l}_2 \left(\frac{d\mathbf{l}_1 \cdot \mathbf{x}_{12}}{|\mathbf{x}_{12}|^3} \right) - (d\mathbf{l}_1 \cdot d\mathbf{l}_2) \frac{\mathbf{x}_{12}}{|\mathbf{x}_{12}|^3} \quad (5.29)$$

The integral of the first term over the loop #1 vanishes because

$$\oint \frac{d\mathbf{l}_1 \cdot \mathbf{x}_{12}}{|\mathbf{x}_{12}|^3} = - \oint \nabla_1 \frac{1}{|\mathbf{x}_{12}|} \cdot d\mathbf{l}_1 = - \oint d \left(\frac{1}{|\mathbf{x}_{12}|} \right) = 0 \quad (5.30)$$

Now we have a symmetric expression for Eq. 5.28

$$\mathbf{F}_{12} = - \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} I_1 I_2 \oint \oint \frac{(d\mathbf{l}_1 \cdot d\mathbf{l}_2) \mathbf{x}_{12}}{|\mathbf{x}_{12}|^3} = -\mathbf{F}_{21} \quad (5.31)$$

This explicitly satisfies the Newton's third law.

As an application, we find the force between two long, parallel wires a distance d apart, carrying currents I_1 and I_2 . The field at (2) due to (1) is

$$B = \frac{\mu_0 I_1}{2\pi d} \quad (5.32)$$

which is normal to the direction of I_2 . Thus, the magnitude of the force is

$$F = I_2 \frac{\mu_0 I_1}{2\pi d} \int dl \quad (5.33)$$

The total force is infinite, but the force per unit length is

$$\frac{dF}{dl} = \frac{\mu_0 I_1 I_2}{2\pi d} \quad (5.34)$$

The force is attractive (repulsive) if the currents flow in the same (opposite) directions.

The divergence and Curl of \mathbf{B}

The Biot-Savart law for the general case of a volume current reads

$$\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}') \times \frac{\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|^3} d^3x' \quad (5.35)$$

This is the magnetic analog of the Coulomb electric field. With the identity, $\nabla \times (\psi \mathbf{a}) = (\nabla \psi) \times \mathbf{a} + \psi (\nabla \times \mathbf{a})$, we manipulate the integrand,

$$\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}') \times \frac{\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|^3} = -\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}') \times \nabla \frac{1}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} = \nabla \times \left[\frac{\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}')}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} \right] - \frac{\nabla \times \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}')}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} = \nabla \times \left[\frac{\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}')}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} \right] \quad (5.36)$$

Then we find

$$\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \nabla \times \int \frac{\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}')}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} d^3x' \quad (5.37)$$

From this equation it follows immediately that the divergence of \mathbf{B} vanishes:

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \quad (5.38)$$

We now calculate the curl of \mathbf{B} :

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \nabla \times \nabla \times \int \frac{\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}')}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} d^3x' \quad (5.39)$$

With the identity $\nabla \times \nabla \times \mathbf{A} = \nabla(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A}) - \nabla^2 \mathbf{A}$,

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \nabla \int \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}') \cdot \nabla \left(\frac{1}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} \right) d^3x' - \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}') \nabla^2 \left(\frac{1}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} \right) d^3x' \quad (5.40)$$

Using

$$\nabla \left(\frac{1}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} \right) = -\nabla' \left(\frac{1}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} \right) \quad (5.41)$$

and

$$\nabla^2 \left(\frac{1}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} \right) = -4\pi\delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') \quad (5.42)$$

we rewrite Eq. 5.40 as

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) = -\frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \nabla \int \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}') \cdot \nabla' \left(\frac{1}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} \right) d^3x' + \mu_0 \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}) \quad (5.43)$$

Integration by parts yields

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) = \mu_0 \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}) + \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \nabla \int \frac{\nabla' \cdot \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}')}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} d^3x' \quad (5.44)$$

For magnetostatics $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{J} = 0$, therefore we obtain

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \mathbf{J} \quad (5.45)$$

Ampere's law

Using Stokes's theorem we can transform Eq. 5.45 into an integral form:

$$\int_S (\nabla \times \mathbf{B}) \cdot \mathbf{n} da = \mu_0 \int_S \mathbf{J} \cdot \mathbf{n} da \quad (5.46)$$

Is transforming into

$$\oint \mathbf{B} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = \mu_0 \int_S \mathbf{J} \cdot \mathbf{n} da \quad (5.47)$$

which simply says that the line integral of \mathbf{B} around a closed path is equal to μ_0 times the total current through the closed path, i.e.,

$$\oint \mathbf{B} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = \mu_0 I \quad (5.48)$$

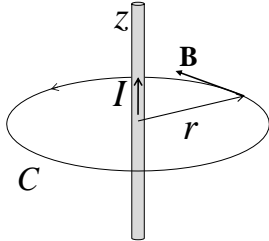


Fig 5.5

Ampere's law is useful for calculation of the magnetic induction in highly symmetric simulation. For example, the magnetic field of an infinite straight wire carrying current I has a nonzero curl (Fig. 5.5). We know the direction of \mathbf{B} is circumferential. By symmetry the magnitude of \mathbf{B} is constant around a circular path of radius r . Ampere's law gives

$$\oint \mathbf{B} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = 2\pi r B = \mu_0 I$$

Thus

$$\mathbf{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi r} \mathbf{e}_\phi \quad (5.49)$$

Vector potential

Since the divergence of any curl is zero (i.e., $\nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{F}) = 0$ for an arbitrary vector field \mathbf{F}), it is reasonable to assume that the magnetic induction may be written

$$\mathbf{B} = \nabla \times \mathbf{A} \quad (5.50)$$

The only other requirement placed on \mathbf{A} is that

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \nabla \times \nabla \times \mathbf{A} = \mu_0 \mathbf{J} \quad (5.51)$$

Using the identity $\nabla \times \nabla \times \mathbf{A} = \nabla(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A}) - \nabla^2 \mathbf{A}$ and specifying that $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} = 0$ yields

$$-\nabla^2 \mathbf{A} = \mu_0 \mathbf{J} \quad (5.52)$$

Integrating each rectangular component and using the solution for Poisson's equation as a guide leads to

$$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}')}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} d^3x' \quad (5.53)$$

We have, in fact, already found this integral form in Eq. 5.37.

Vector potential and magnetic induction for a circular current loop

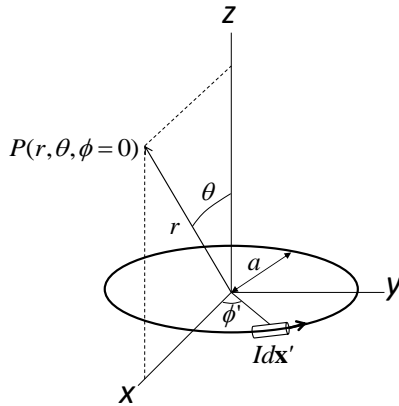


Fig 5.6

We consider the problem of a circular loop of radius a , lying in the x - y plane, centered at the origin, and carrying a current I , as shown in Fig. 5.6. Due to the cylindrical geometry, we may choose the observation point P in the x - z plane ($\phi = 0$) without loss of generality. The expression for the vector potential Eq. 5.53 may be applied to the current circuit by making the substitution: $\mathbf{J}d^3x' = Id\mathbf{x}'$. Thus

$$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \int \frac{d\mathbf{x}'}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} \quad (5.54)$$

where $d\mathbf{x}' = (-\sin \phi' \mathbf{e}_x + \cos \phi' \mathbf{e}_y) a d\phi'$. Then, Eq. 5.54 becomes

$$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\mu_0 I a}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{(-\sin \phi' \mathbf{e}_x + \cos \phi' \mathbf{e}_y)}{(a^2 + r^2 - 2ar \sin \theta \cos \phi')^{1/2}} d\phi' \quad (5.55)$$

Since the azimuthal integration in Eq. 5.54 is symmetric about $\phi' = 0$, the x component vanishes. This leaves only the y component, which is A_ϕ . Therefore

$$A_\phi(r, \theta) = \frac{\mu_0 I a}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\cos \phi' d\phi'}{(a^2 + r^2 - 2ar \sin \theta \cos \phi')^{1/2}} \quad (5.56)$$

For $a \gg r, a \ll r$, or $\theta \ll 1$,

$$(a^2 + r^2 - 2ar \sin \theta \cos \phi')^{-1/2} \cong \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + r^2}} \left(1 + \frac{ar}{a^2 + r^2} \sin \theta \cos \phi' \right)$$

Hence

$$A_\phi(r, \theta) \cong \frac{\mu_0 I a}{4\pi} \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + r^2}} \int_0^{2\pi} \left(\cos \phi' + \frac{ar}{a^2 + r^2} \sin \theta \cos^2 \phi' \right) d\phi'$$

The integration results in

$$A_\phi(r, \theta) = \frac{\mu_0 I a^2 r \sin \theta}{4(a^2 + r^2)^{3/2}} \quad (5.57)$$

The components of magnetic induction,

$$\begin{cases} B_r = \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (\sin \theta A_\phi) = \frac{\mu_0 I a^2 \cos \theta}{2(a^2 + r^2)^{3/2}} \\ B_\theta = -\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r A_\phi) = -\frac{\mu_0 I a^2 \sin \theta}{4(a^2 + r^2)^{5/2}} (2a^2 - r^2) \\ B_\phi = 0 \end{cases} \quad (5.58)$$

The fields far from the loop (for $r \gg a$)

$$\begin{cases} B_r = \frac{\mu_0}{2\pi} (I\pi a^2) \frac{\cos \theta}{r^3} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{2m \cos \theta}{r^3} \\ B_\theta = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} (I\pi a^2) \frac{\sin \theta}{r^3} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{m \sin \theta}{r^3} \end{cases} \quad (5.59)$$

where $\mathbf{m} = \pi I a^2 \mathbf{e}_z$ is the magnetic dipole moment of the loop. Comparison with the electrostatic dipole fields shows that the magnetic fields are dipole in character.

The fields on the z axis (for $\theta = 0, z = r$)

For $\theta = 0, z = r \geq 0$, hence

$$B_z = \frac{\mu_0 I a^2}{2(a^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} \quad (5.60)$$

For $\theta = \pi, z = -r \leq 0, A_\phi(r, \pi - \theta) = -A_\phi(r, \theta)$, therefore Eq. 5.60 is valid on any points on the z axis.

Magnetic fields of a localized current distribution and magnetic moment

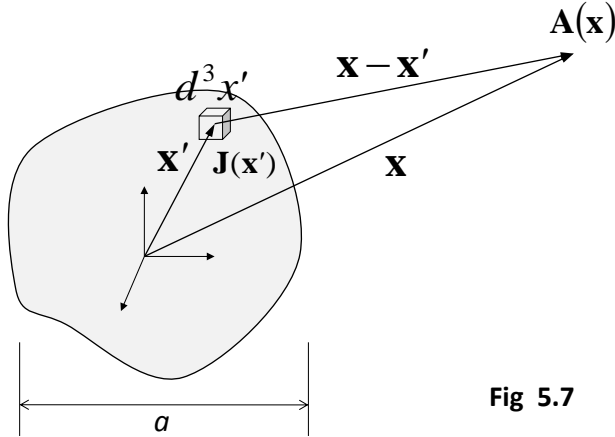


Fig 5.7

We consider the vector potential in the far-field region (see Fig. 5.7 where $|\mathbf{x}| = r \gg a$) due to a localized current distribution $\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}')$ for $|\mathbf{x}| \gg |\mathbf{x}'|$. Then a multiple expansion is in order. We can expand Eq. 5.53 as

$$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \left[\frac{1}{|\mathbf{x}|} \int \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}') d^3x' + \frac{1}{|\mathbf{x}|^3} \int \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}') (\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{x}') d^3x' + \dots \right] \quad (5.61)$$

Since \mathbf{J} is localized, $\int \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}') d^3x' = 0$ (e.g., for a line current $\int \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}') d^3x' = I \oint d\mathbf{l} = 0$).

Therefore, the first term in Eq. 5.61, corresponding to the monopole term, vanishes. The integral in the second term can be transformed as (see textbook p. 185)

$$\int \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}') (\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{x}') d^3x' = -\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x} \times \int (\mathbf{x}' \times \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}')) d^3x' \quad (5.62)$$

Magnetic dipole vector potential

The dipole term is dominant, and the vector potential can be written as

$$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{\mathbf{m} \times \mathbf{x}}{|\mathbf{x}|^3} \quad (5.63)$$

where the magnetic moment \mathbf{m} is defined as

$$\mathbf{m} = \frac{1}{2} \int \mathbf{x}' \times \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}') d^3x' = \int \mathbf{M}(\mathbf{x}') d^3x' \quad (5.64)$$

which is the integral of the magnetization (magnetic moment per unit volume)

$$\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2} [\mathbf{x} \times \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x})] \quad (5.65)$$

If the current is confined to a closed circuit, a current element, $\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}') d^3x' = I d\mathbf{l}$, then

$$\mathbf{m} = \frac{I}{2} \int \mathbf{x} \times d\mathbf{l} \quad (5.66)$$

For a plane loop, \mathbf{m} is perpendicular to the plane of the loop. Since $\frac{1}{2}|\mathbf{x} \times d\mathbf{l}|$ is the area of the triangle defined by the two ends of $d\mathbf{l}$ and the origin, the loop integral gives the total area of the loop. Hence the magnetic moment has magnitude,

$$m = I \times (\text{Area}) \quad (5.67)$$

regardless of the shape of the circuit.

Dipole magnetic induction

The magnetic induction can be determined by taking the curl of Eq. 5.63.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{B} &= \nabla \times \mathbf{A} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \nabla \times \left(\mathbf{m} \times \frac{\mathbf{x}}{|\mathbf{x}|^3} \right) \\ &= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \left[\mathbf{m} \left(\nabla \cdot \frac{\mathbf{x}}{|\mathbf{x}|^3} \right) - \frac{\mathbf{x}}{|\mathbf{x}|^3} (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{m}) + \left(\frac{\mathbf{x}}{|\mathbf{x}|^3} \cdot \nabla \right) \mathbf{m} - (\mathbf{m} \cdot \nabla) \frac{\mathbf{x}}{|\mathbf{x}|^3} \right] \end{aligned} \quad (5.68)$$

Since $\nabla \cdot \frac{\mathbf{x}}{|\mathbf{x}|^3} = 0$ for $|\mathbf{x}| \neq 0$ and \mathbf{m} is independent of \mathbf{x} , the first three terms vanish. The last term can be transformed by noting that

$$m_x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\mathbf{x}}{|\mathbf{x}|^3} \right) = \frac{m_x}{|\mathbf{x}|^3} \mathbf{e}_x - 3m_x x \frac{\mathbf{x}}{|\mathbf{x}|^5} \quad (5.69)$$

hence

$$(\mathbf{m} \cdot \nabla) \frac{\mathbf{x}}{|\mathbf{x}|^3} = \frac{\mathbf{m}}{|\mathbf{x}|^3} - \frac{3(\mathbf{m} \cdot \mathbf{x})\mathbf{x}}{|\mathbf{x}|^5} \quad (5.70)$$

Finally,

$$\mathbf{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \left[\frac{3(\mathbf{m} \cdot \mathbf{n})\mathbf{n} - \mathbf{m}}{|\mathbf{x}|^3} \right] \quad (5.71)$$

Here \mathbf{n} is a unit vector in the direction \mathbf{x} .

Force and torque on a localized current distribution in an external \mathbf{B}

The magnetic force is given by (eq. 5.12)

$$\mathbf{F} = \int (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}) dq = \int \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}) \times \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) d^3x \quad (5.72)$$

Similarly the total torque on the current distribution is

$$\mathbf{N} = \int \mathbf{x} \times d\mathbf{F} = \int \mathbf{x} \times (\mathbf{J} \times \mathbf{B}) d^3x \quad (5.73)$$

If the current distribution is localized and the magnetic induction varies slowly over the region of current, we can expand \mathbf{B} in a Taylor series. A component of \mathbf{B} takes the form,

$$B_k(\mathbf{x}) = B_k(0) + \mathbf{x} \cdot \nabla B_k(0) + \dots \quad (5.74)$$

Magnetic force

The i -th component of the force Eq. 5.72 becomes

$$F_i = \sum_{jk} \epsilon_{ijk} \left[B_k(0) \int J_j(\mathbf{x}') d^3x' + \int J_j(\mathbf{x}') \mathbf{x}' \cdot \nabla B_k(0) d^3x' + \dots \right] \quad (5.75)$$

We already know $\int \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}') d^3x' = 0$ for a localized current, so the first term vanishes. Now the second term is dominant and becomes

$$F_i = \sum_{jk} \epsilon_{ijk} \left[\int \left(\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}' \times \mathbf{J} \right)_j d^3x' \right] \times \nabla B_k(0) = \sum_{jk} \epsilon_{ijk} (\mathbf{m} \times \nabla)_j B_k(0) \quad (5.76)$$

This can be written in a vector form as

$$\mathbf{F} = (\mathbf{m} \times \nabla) \times \mathbf{B} = \nabla(\mathbf{m} \cdot \mathbf{B}) - \mathbf{m}(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B}) \quad (5.77)$$

Since $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$, the lowest order force on a localized current distribution in an external magnetic field \mathbf{B} is

$$\mathbf{F} = \nabla(\mathbf{m} \cdot \mathbf{B}) \quad (5.78)$$

Magnetic torque

Keeping on the leading term in Eq. 5.74, Eq 5.73 can be written as

$$\mathbf{N} = \int [(\mathbf{x}' \cdot \mathbf{B})\mathbf{J} - (\mathbf{x}' \cdot \mathbf{J})\mathbf{B}] d^3x' \quad (5.79)$$

The first integral has the same form of the second term of Eq. 5.75. The second integral vanishes because $\int x_j J_i d^3x = 0$ if $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{J} = 0$. Therefore, the leading term in the torque is

$$\mathbf{N} = \mathbf{m} \times \mathbf{B} \quad (5.80)$$

5.2 Magnetic Fields in Matter

Three mechanisms of macroscopic magnetic-moment distribution

Matter on the atomic level is made up of relatively stationary nuclei surrounded by electrons in various orbits. There are three mechanisms whereby matter may acquire a macroscopic magnetic-moment distribution. By macroscopic we mean averaged over a large number of atoms. This distribution is characterized by the magnetic moment per unit volume \mathbf{M} , called the magnetization (see Eq. 5.65):

$$\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_i N_i \langle \mathbf{m}_i \rangle \quad (5.81)$$

where N_i is the average number per unit volume of atoms or molecules of type i and $\langle \mathbf{m}_i \rangle$ is the average atomic or molecular moment in a small volume at the point \mathbf{x} . The three mechanisms are as follows:

- Diamagnetism – The application of a magnetic induction to a diamagnetic medium induces currents within the atomic systems, and these in turn lead to a macroscopic magnetic-moment density opposite in direction to the applied field.
- Paramagnetism – The electrons' total (orbital + spin) angular momenta may be arranged so as to give rise to a net magnetic moment within each atomic system.
- Ferromagnetism – Ferromagnetic materials (e.g., iron, cobalt, nickel) have remarkable atomic properties. First, several electrons in an isolated atom have their intrinsic angular momenta lined up. Second, within solid ferromagnets, there are very strong quantum-mechanical forces tending to make the intrinsic angular momenta of neighboring atoms line up. These results in domains of macroscopic size having net magnetizations.

Vector potential due to magnetization

The vector potential due to a magnetic moment $\mathbf{m}(\mathbf{x}') = \mathbf{M}(\mathbf{x}')d^3x'$ (Eq. 5.63) is

$$d\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{x}') \times (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}')}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|^3} d^3x' = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \mathbf{M}(\mathbf{x}') \times \nabla' \frac{1}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} d^3x' \quad (5.82)$$

Hence we write

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{x}) &= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \mathbf{M}(\mathbf{x}') \times \nabla' \frac{1}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} d^3x' \\ &= -\frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \nabla' \times \left[\frac{\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{x}')}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} \right] d^3x' + \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{\nabla' \times \mathbf{M}(\mathbf{x}')}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} d^3x' \end{aligned} \quad (5.83)$$

The first volume integral can be transformed to a surface integral:

$$\int_V \nabla' \times \left[\frac{\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{x}')}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} \right] d^3x' = \int_S \frac{\mathbf{n} \times \mathbf{M}(\mathbf{x}')}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} da \quad (5.84)$$

Observing that $\mathbf{M} = 0$ at infinity, we note that this integral vanishes. Thus we have

$$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{\nabla' \times \mathbf{M}(\mathbf{x}')}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} d^3x' \quad (5.85)$$

Macroscopic equations

Comparing Eq. 5.85 with our usual equation for \mathbf{A} (Eq. 5.53) in terms of current density, \mathbf{J} can be replaced entirely by an effective current density

$$\mathbf{J}_M = \nabla \times \mathbf{M} \quad (5.86)$$

In general, all current distributions can be considered as consisting of two parts: \mathbf{J}_M (magnetization current) and \mathbf{J} (free current). Hence we write our basic equation for \mathbf{B} as follows:

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mu_0(\mathbf{J} + \mathbf{J}_M) = \mu_0(\mathbf{J} + \nabla \times \mathbf{M}) \quad (5.87)$$

Rewriting this equation, we obtain

$$\nabla \times \left(\frac{1}{\mu_0} \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{M} \right) = \mathbf{J} \quad (5.88)$$

Here we defined a new macroscopic field \mathbf{H} , called magnetic field,

$$\mathbf{H} = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{M} \quad (5.89)$$

Then the macroscopic equations are

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \times \mathbf{H} &= \mathbf{J} \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (5.90)$$

Magnetic susceptibility and permeability

To complete the description of macroscopic magnetostatics, it is essential to have a relationship between \mathbf{B} and \mathbf{H} or, equivalently, a relationship between \mathbf{M} and \mathbf{H} (or \mathbf{B}). In a large class of materials there exists an approximately linear relationship between \mathbf{M} and \mathbf{H} . If the material is isotropic as well as linear,

$$\mathbf{M} = \chi_m \mathbf{H} \quad (5.90)$$

where χ_m is called the magnetic susceptibility (paramagnetic for $\chi_m > 0$ and diamagnetic for $\chi_m < 0$). It is generally safe to say that χ_m for paramagnetic and diamagnetic materials is quite small: $|\chi_m| \sim 10^{-5}$. A linear relationship between \mathbf{M} and \mathbf{H} implies also a linear relationship between \mathbf{B} and \mathbf{H} :

$$\mathbf{B} = \mu \mathbf{H} \quad (5.91)$$

where the permeability μ is obtained from Eqs. 5.89, 5.90, and 5.91 and

$$\mu = \mu_0(1 + \chi_m) \quad (5.92)$$

The ferromagnetic substances are characterized by a possible permanent magnetization. These materials are not linear, so that Eqs. 5.90 and 5.91 with constant χ_m and μ do not apply. Instead, a nonlinear functional relationship is applied:

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{H}) \quad (5.93)$$

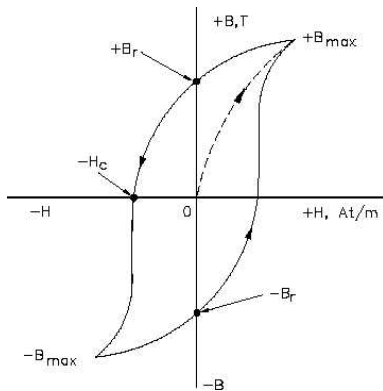


Fig 5.8 Hysteresis loop

The curve of Fig. 5.8 is called the hysteresis loop of the material. B_r is known as the retentivity or remnance; the magnitude H_c is called the coercive force or coercivity of the material. Once H_{max} is sufficient to produce saturation, the hysteresis loop does not change shape with increasing H_{max} .

Boundary conditions on B and H

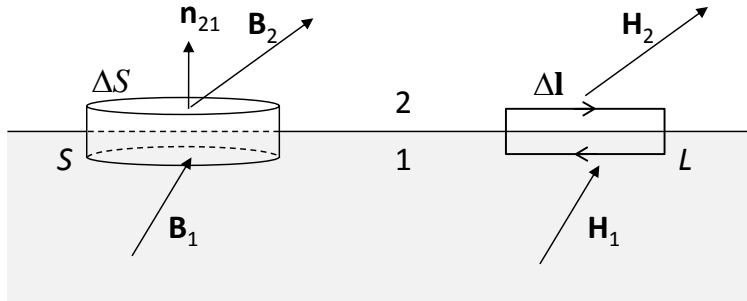


Fig 5.9 Boundary conditions on B and H at the interface between two media may be obtained by applying Gauss's law to surface S and integrating $\mathbf{H} \cdot d\mathbf{l}$ around the path L.

Consider two media, 1 and 2, in contact as shown in Fig. 5.9. Applying the Gauss's law to the small pill box S, we obtain

$$\mathbf{B}_2 \cdot \mathbf{n}_{21} \Delta S - \mathbf{B}_1 \cdot \mathbf{n}_{21} \Delta S = 0 \quad (5.94)$$

This leads to

$$(\mathbf{B}_2 - \mathbf{B}_1) \cdot \mathbf{n}_{21} = 0 \quad (5.95)$$

i.e.,

$$B_{2n} - B_{1n} = 0 \quad (5.96)$$

The line integral of $\mathbf{H} \cdot d\mathbf{l}$ around the path L does not vanish only if there is a true surface current:

$$(\mathbf{H}_2 - \mathbf{H}_1) \cdot \Delta \mathbf{l} = \mathbf{K} \cdot (\mathbf{n}_{21} \times \Delta \mathbf{l}) = (\mathbf{K} \times \mathbf{n}_{21}) \cdot \Delta \mathbf{l} \quad (5.97)$$

or

$$(\mathbf{H}_2 - \mathbf{H}_1)_t = \mathbf{K} \times \mathbf{n}_{21} \quad (5.98)$$

where \mathbf{K} is the surface current density (transport current per unit length in the surface layer). Thus the tangential component of the magnetic field is continuous across an interface unless there is a true surface current. Finally, by taking the cross product of Eq. 5.98 with \mathbf{n}_{21} , the equation may be written as

$$\mathbf{n}_{21} \times (\mathbf{H}_2 - \mathbf{H}_1) = \mathbf{K} \quad (5.99)$$

This form is convenient for determining \mathbf{K} if \mathbf{H}_1 and \mathbf{H}_2 are known.

5.3 Boundary Value Problems in Magnetostatics

The basic differential equations when $\mathbf{J} = 0$ are just

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \times \mathbf{H} &= 0 \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (5.100)$$

The first equation permits us immediately to defined a magnetic scalar potential Φ_M such that

$$\mathbf{H} = -\nabla\Phi_M \quad (5.101)$$

Just as $\mathbf{E} = -\nabla\Phi$ in electrostatics. The second equation can be written as

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{H} + \mathbf{M}) = -\mu_0 \nabla^2 \Phi_M + \mu_0 \nabla \cdot \mathbf{M} = 0 \quad (5.102)$$

Hence we conclude that Φ_M satisfies the Poisson equation

$$\nabla^2 \Phi_M = -\rho_M \quad (5.103)$$

with the effective magnetic-charge density,

$$\rho_M = -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{M} \quad (5.104)$$

If there is no boundary surfaces, the solution for Φ_M is

$$\Phi_M = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int \frac{\rho_M}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} d^3x' \quad (5.105)$$

In the event that we have a surface of discontinuity, we need to calculate an effective magnetic surface-charge density σ_M . Making use of Gauss's theorem to a small pill box at the interface, we find

$$\sigma_M = -(\mathbf{M}_2 - \mathbf{M}_1) \cdot \mathbf{n} \quad (5.106)$$

where \mathbf{n} is a unit vector pointing from region 1 to region 2. If $\mathbf{M}_1 = \mathbf{M}$ and $\mathbf{M}_2 = 0$, Eq. 5.106 reduces to

$$\sigma_M = \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{n} \quad (5.107)$$

Uniformly magnetized sphere

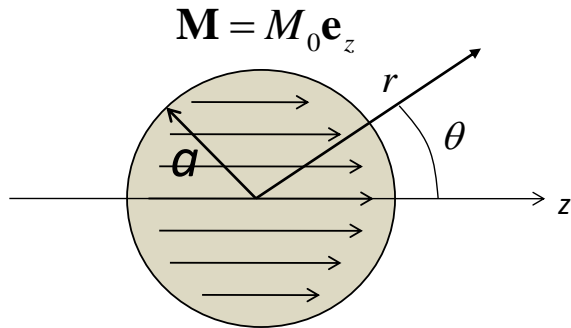


Fig 5.10

We consider a sphere of radius a with a uniform permanent magnetization $\mathbf{M} = M_0 \mathbf{e}_z$ in vacuum (Fig. 5.10). The simplest way of solving this problem is in terms of the scalar magnetic potential. Since $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{M} = 0$, Φ_M satisfies Laplace's equation,

$$\nabla^2 \Phi_M = 0 \quad (5.108)$$

The magnetic surface-charge density is

$$\sigma_M = M_0 \cos \theta \quad (5.109)$$

Inside and outside potential

From the azimuthal symmetry of the geometry we can take the solution to be of the form:

(i) Outside:

$$\Phi_{\text{out}} = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \left[B_l r^l + \frac{C_l}{r^{l+1}} \right] P_l(\cos \theta) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{C_l}{r^{l+1}} P_l(\cos \theta) \quad (5.110)$$

At large distances from the sphere, i.e., for the region $r \gg a$, the potential is given by

$$\Phi_{\text{out}}(r, \theta) \cong 0 \quad (5.111)$$

Accordingly, we can immediately set all B_l equal to zero.

(ii) Inside:

$$\Phi_{\text{in}} = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} A_l r^l P_l(\cos \theta) \quad (5.112)$$

Since Φ_{in} is finite at $r = 0$, $r^{-(l+1)}$ terms must vanish.

Boundary conditions at $r = a$

$$(i) \text{ Tangential } H: \quad -\frac{1}{a} \frac{\partial \Phi_{\text{in}}}{\partial \theta} \Big|_{r=a} = -\frac{1}{a} \frac{\partial \Phi_{\text{out}}}{\partial \theta} \Big|_{r=a} \quad (5.113)$$

$$\text{or} \quad \Phi_{\text{in}}(r = a) = \Phi_{\text{out}}(r = a) \quad (5.114)$$

$$(ii) \text{ Normal } B: \quad -\frac{\partial \Phi_{\text{out}}}{\partial r} \Big|_{r=a} = -\frac{\partial \Phi_{\text{in}}}{\partial r} \Big|_{r=a} + M_0 \cos \theta \quad (5.115)$$

Applying boundary condition (i) (Eq. 5.114) tells us that

$$\sum_{l=0}^{\infty} A_l a^l P_l(\cos \theta) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{C_l}{a^{l+1}} P_l(\cos \theta) \quad (5.116)$$

We deduce from this that

$$A_l = \frac{C_l}{a^{2l+1}} \quad (5.117)$$

We apply boundary condition (ii) results in

$$\sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \left[-\frac{(l+1)C_l}{a^{l+2}} - A_l l a^{l-1} \right] P_l(\cos \theta) = -M_0 \cos \theta \quad (5.118)$$

We deduce from this that

$$\begin{cases} A_1 + 2 \frac{C_1}{a^3} = M_0, & l = 1 \\ A_l = -\frac{l+1}{l} \frac{C_l}{a^{2l+1}}, & l \neq 1 \end{cases} \quad (5.119)$$

$$\begin{cases} A_l = -\frac{l+1}{l} \frac{C_l}{a^{2l+1}}, & l \neq 1 \end{cases} \quad (5.120)$$

The equations 4.57 and 4.60 can be satisfied only if

$$\begin{cases} A_1 = \frac{1}{3} M_0 \\ C_1 = \frac{1}{3} M_0 a^3 \end{cases} \quad (5.121)$$

$$(5.122)$$

From Eqs. 5.117 and 5.120, we can deduce that $A_l = C_l = 0$ for all $l \neq 1$. The potential is therefore

$$\Phi_M(r, \theta) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{3} M_0 r \cos \theta = \frac{1}{3} M_0 z, & r < a \\ \frac{1}{3} M_0 \frac{a^3}{r^2} \cos \theta & , \quad r \geq a \end{cases} \quad (5.123)$$

An alternative way to calculate Φ_M is

$$\Phi_M(r, \theta) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_S \frac{\sigma_M(\theta')}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} da' \quad (5.124)$$

Using the addition theorem (Eq. 3.68) and the azimuthal symmetry

$$\frac{1}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{4\pi}{2l+1} \frac{r_{<}^l}{r_{>}^{l+1}} \sum_{m=-l}^l Y_{lm}^*(\theta', \phi') Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi) \quad (3.68)$$

we obtain

$$\Phi_M = \frac{1}{4\pi} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} P_l(\cos \theta) \int_0^{\pi} \frac{r_{<}^l}{r_{>}^{l+1}} M_0 \cos \theta' P_l(\cos \theta') \cdot 2\pi a^2 d \cos \theta' \quad (5.125)$$

where $(r_{<}, r_{>})$ are smaller and larger of (r, a) . Letting $t = \cos \theta'$, we find

$$\Phi_M = \frac{M_0}{2} a^2 \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{r_{<}^l}{r_{>}^{l+1}} P_l(\cos \theta) \int_0^{\pi} P_l(t) P_l(t) dt \quad (5.126)$$

Applying the orthogonality condition for the Legendre polynomials, we obtain

$$\Phi_M(r, \theta) = \frac{1}{3} M_0 a^2 \frac{r_{<}}{r_{>}^2} \cos \theta \quad (5.127)$$

This is equal to Eq. 5.123.

Outside **B** and **H**

Outside the sphere Φ_M is the potential of a dipole with dipole moment,

$$\mathbf{m} = \frac{4\pi a^3}{3} \mathbf{M} \quad (5.128)$$

The magnetic induction, $\mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \mathbf{H} = -\mu_0 \nabla \Phi_M$, is

$$\mathbf{B}_{\text{out}} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \left[-\frac{\mathbf{m}}{|\mathbf{x}|^3} + \frac{3(\mathbf{m} \cdot \mathbf{x})\mathbf{x}}{|\mathbf{x}|^5} \right] \quad (5.129)$$

This, of course, is the magnetic induction of a magnetic dipole \mathbf{m} . Not surprisingly, the net dipole moment of the sphere is equal to the integral of the magnetization \mathbf{M} (which is the dipole moment per unit volume) over the volume of the sphere.

Inside \mathbf{B} and \mathbf{H}

Inside the sphere we have $\mathbf{H} = -\nabla \Phi_M$ and $\mathbf{B} = \mu_0(\mathbf{H} + \mathbf{M})$, giving

$$\mathbf{H}_{\text{in}} = -\frac{1}{3}\mathbf{M}, \quad \mathbf{B}_{\text{in}} = \frac{2}{3}\mu_0\mathbf{M} \quad (5.130)$$

Thus, both the \mathbf{H} and \mathbf{B} fields are uniform inside the sphere. Note that the magnetic intensity is oppositely directed to the magnetization. In other words, the \mathbf{H} field acts to demagnetize the sphere.

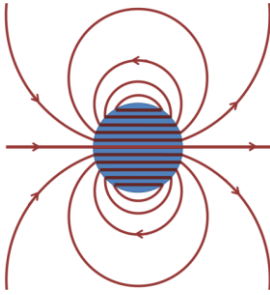


Fig 5.11 \mathbf{B} -field of the uniformly magnetized sphere

Magnetized sphere in an external field

Because of the linearity of the field equations we can superpose a uniform magnetic induction $\mathbf{B}_0 = \mu_0 \mathbf{H}_0$ throughout all space. Inside the sphere we find

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{B}_{\text{in}} = \mathbf{B}_0 + \frac{2}{3}\mu_0\mathbf{M} \\ \mathbf{H}_{\text{in}} = \frac{1}{\mu_0}\mathbf{B}_0 - \frac{1}{3}\mathbf{M} \end{cases} \quad (5.131)$$

If the sphere is a paramagnetic or diamagnetic substance of permeability μ ,

$$\mathbf{B}_{\text{in}} = \mu \mathbf{H}_{\text{in}} \quad (5.132)$$

Thus

$$\mathbf{B}_0 + \frac{2}{3}\mu_0\mathbf{M} = \mu \left(\frac{1}{\mu_0}\mathbf{B}_0 - \frac{1}{3}\mathbf{M} \right) \quad (5.133)$$

This gives a magnetization,

$$\mathbf{M} = \frac{3}{\mu_0} \left(\frac{\mu - \mu_0}{\mu + 2\mu_0} \right) \mathbf{B}_0 \quad (5.134)$$

This is completely analogous to the polarization \mathbf{P} of a dielectric sphere in a uniform field (Eq. 4.68).

Circular hole in a conducting plane

We consider a perfectly conducting plane ($\mathbf{H} = 0$ inside a perfect conductor) at $z = 0$ with a hole of radius a centered at origin, as shown in Fig. 5.12. There is a uniform tangential magnetic field \mathbf{H}_0 in the y direction in the region $z > 0$ far from the hole, and zero field asymptotically for $z < 0$. Because there is no currents present except on the surface $z = 0$, we can use $\mathbf{H} = -\nabla\Phi_M$, Φ_M satisfying the Laplace equation with suitable mixed boundary conditions. Then we can parallel the solution of Section 3.6.

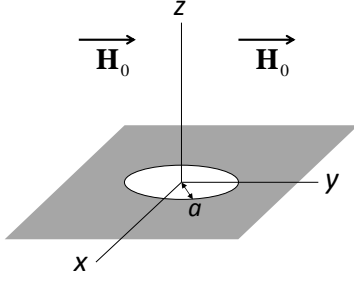


Fig 5.12

The potential is written as

$$\Phi_M = \begin{cases} -H_0 y + \Phi^{(1)}, & z > 0 \\ -\Phi^{(1)}, & z < 0 \end{cases} \quad (5.135)$$

From 3.97 $\Phi^{(1)}$ can be written in cylindrical coordinates as

$$\Phi^{(1)}(\rho, z) = \int_0^\infty A(k) e^{-k|z|} J_1(k\rho) \sin \phi \, dk \quad (5.136)$$

Only $m = 1$ survives because the hole is cylindrically symmetric and the asymptotic field varies as $y = \rho \sin \phi$. The boundary conditions are

$$\begin{cases} \Phi^{(1)}|_{z=0+} = \Phi^{(1)}|_{z=0-}, & 0 \leq \rho < a \\ \left. \frac{\partial \Phi^{(1)}}{\partial z} \right|_{z=0} = 0, & a \leq \rho < \infty \end{cases} \quad (5.137)$$

The boundary conditions (Eq. 5.137) for the general solution (Eq. 3.98) give rise to the integral equations of the coefficient $A(k)$:

$$\begin{cases} \int_0^\infty k A(k) J_1(k\rho) \, dk = \frac{1}{2} H_0 \rho, & 0 \leq \rho < a \\ \int_0^\infty A(k) J_1(k\rho) \, dk = 0, & a \leq \rho < \infty \end{cases} \quad (5.138)$$

There exists an analytic solution of these integral equations.

$$A(k) = \frac{2H_0 a^2}{\pi} j_1(ka) = \frac{2H_0 a^2}{\pi} \left(\frac{\sin ka}{k^2 a^2} - \frac{\cos ka}{ka} \right) \quad (5.139)$$

where $j_1(x)$ is the spherical Bessel function of order 1.

In the far-field region, i.e., in the region for $|z|$ and/or $\rho \gg a$, the integral in Eq. 5.136 is mainly determined by the contributions around $k = 0$, more precisely, for $k \ll \frac{1}{a}$. The expansion of $A(k)$ for small ka takes the form

$$A(k) \cong \frac{E_0 a^2}{3\pi} \left[ka - \frac{(ka)^3}{10} + \dots \right] \quad (5.140)$$

The leading term gives rise to the asymptotic potential

$$\Phi^{(1)}(\rho, z) \cong \frac{2H_0 a^3}{3\pi} \frac{y}{r^3}$$

falling off with distance as r^{-2} and having an effective electric dipole moment,

$$\mathbf{m} = \pm \frac{8a^3}{3} \mathbf{H}_0 \quad (5.141)$$

where $+$ for $z > 0$ and $-$ for $z < 0$. In the opening, the tangential and normal components of the magnetic fields are

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{H}_t &= \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{H}_0 \\ H_z(\rho, 0) &= \frac{2H_0}{\pi} \frac{\rho}{\sqrt{a^2 - \rho^2}} \sin \phi \end{aligned} \quad (5.142)$$

5.4 Electromagnetic Induction

Faraday's law

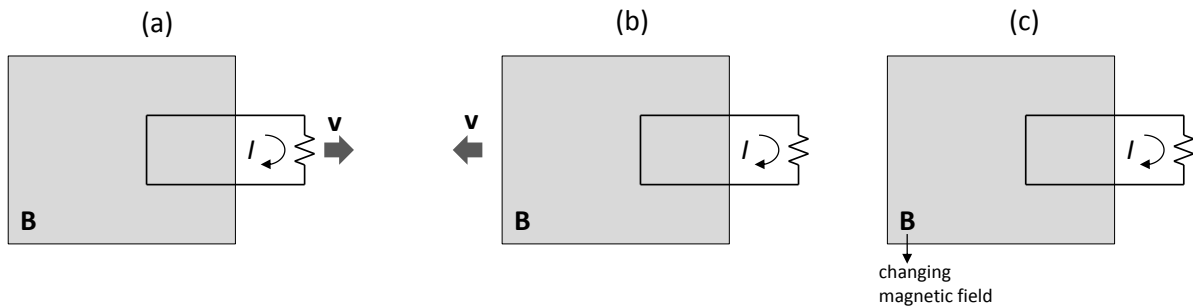


Fig 5.13

Figure 5.13 illustrates the observation made by Faraday. He showed that changing the magnetic flux through a circuit induce a current in it. This could be accomplished by (a) moving the circuit in and out of the magnet, (b) moving the magnet toward or away from the circuit, or (c) changing the strength of the magnetic field. These observations can be expressed by the flux rule:

$$\mathcal{E} = - \frac{dF}{dt} \quad (5.143)$$

where the electromotive force (emf) \mathcal{E} is defined by the integral of a force per unit charge

$$\mathcal{E} = \oint \mathbf{E}' \cdot d\mathbf{l} \quad (5.144)$$

(\mathbf{E}' is the electric field in the stationary frame of the circuit) and the magnetic flux F is defined by

$$F = \int_S \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{n} da \quad (5.145)$$

The circuit C is bounded an open surface S with unit normal \mathbf{n} as shown in Fig. 5.14. The induced emf around the circuit is proportional to the time rate of change of magnetic flux through the circuit. The negative sign in Eq. 5.143 is specified by Lenz's law, which states that the induced current (and accompanying magnetic flux) is in such a direction as to oppose the change of flux through the circuit.

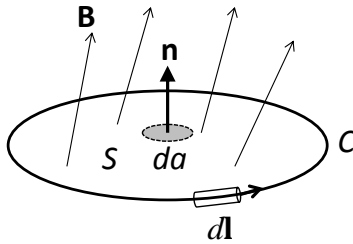


Fig 5.14

Using Eqs. 5.144 and 5.145, Eq. 5.143 can be written

$$\oint \mathbf{E}' \cdot d\mathbf{l} = - \frac{d}{dt} \int_S \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{n} da \quad (5.146)$$

Stationary circuit

If the circuit is rigid and stationary (see Fig. 5.13(c)), the time derivative can be taken inside the integral, where it becomes a partial time derivative. Furthermore, using the Stokes's theorem we can transform the line integral of $\mathbf{E}' = \mathbf{E}$ (electric field in the laboratory frame) into the surface integral of $\nabla \times \mathbf{E}$.

$$\int_S (\nabla \times \mathbf{E}) \cdot \mathbf{n} da = - \int_S \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} \right) \cdot \mathbf{n} da \quad (5.147)$$

This must be true for all fixed surfaces S , and hence

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} = 0 \quad (5.148)$$

This is the differential form of Faraday's law.

Moving circuit

We consider a circuit moving with a constant velocity \mathbf{v} . The force per unit charge on a charge which is fixed with respect to a given point on the circuit is

$$\frac{\mathbf{F}}{q} = \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B} \quad (5.149)$$

$\mathbf{F} = q\mathbf{E}'$ assuming Galilean transformation ($\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{v}t$, $t = t'$), then the electric field \mathbf{E}' in a coordinate frame moving with a velocity \mathbf{v} relative to the laboratory frame is

$$\mathbf{E}' = \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B} \quad (5.150)$$

The emf which results from a motion of the circuit is

$$\mathcal{E}_{\text{motion}} = \oint (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}) \cdot d\mathbf{l} = - \oint (\mathbf{v} \times d\mathbf{l}) \cdot \mathbf{B} = - \oint \left(\frac{d\mathbf{x}}{dt} \times d\mathbf{l} \right) \cdot \mathbf{B} \quad (5.151)$$

If \mathbf{B} is static and the circuit is rigid (i.e., $d\mathbf{l}$ is independent of time), the time derivative can be taken out of the integral. Then,

$$\mathcal{E}_{\text{motion}} = - \frac{d}{dt} \oint (\mathbf{x} \times d\mathbf{l}) \cdot \mathbf{B} = - \frac{d}{dt} \int_S \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{n} \, da = - \left(\frac{dF}{dt} \right)_{\text{motion}} \quad (5.152)$$

Self-inductance

For a rigid stationary circuit the only changes in flux result from changes in the current:

$$\frac{dF}{dt} = \frac{dF}{dI} \frac{dI}{dt} \quad (5.153)$$

If F is directly proportional to I , then the inductance defined as

$$L = \frac{dF}{dI} = \frac{F}{I} \quad (5.154)$$

is constant. Then, the expression for emf becomes

$$\mathcal{E} = - \frac{dF}{dt} = -L \frac{dI}{dt} \quad (5.155)$$

which is an equation of considerable practical importance.

Mutual inductance

Assuming there are n circuits, we can write the flux linking one of these circuits as a sum of fluxes due to each of the n circuits:

$$F_i = \sum_{j=1}^n F_{ij} \quad (5.156)$$

The emf induced in the i th circuit can then be written as

$$\mathcal{E}_i = -\frac{dF_i}{dt} = -\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{dF_{ij}}{dt} \quad (5.157)$$

If each of the circuits is rigid and stationary,

$$\frac{dF_{ij}}{dt} = \frac{dF_{ij}}{dI_j} \frac{dI_j}{dt} = M_{ij} \frac{dI_j}{dt} \quad (5.158)$$

where we define the mutual inductance

$$M_{ij} = \frac{dF_{ij}}{dI_j} = \frac{F_{ij}}{I_j}, \quad i \neq j \quad (5.159)$$

The Neumann formula

The flux

$$F_{ij} = \int \mathbf{B}_{ij} \cdot \mathbf{n}_i da_i = \int \left(\frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} I_j \oint \frac{d\mathbf{l}_j \times (\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j)}{|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j|^3} \right) \cdot \mathbf{n}_i da_i \quad (5.160)$$

Since

$$\oint \frac{d\mathbf{l}_j \times (\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j)}{|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j|^3} = \nabla_i \times \oint \frac{d\mathbf{l}_j}{|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j|} \quad (5.161)$$

we can write

$$F_{ij} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} I_j \int \nabla_i \times \left(\oint \frac{d\mathbf{l}_j}{|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j|} \right) \cdot \mathbf{n}_i da_i = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} I_j \oint \oint \frac{d\mathbf{l}_i \cdot d\mathbf{l}_j}{|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j|} \quad (5.162)$$

using Stoke's theorem. Therefore, the mutual inductance is expressed as

$$M_{ij} = \frac{F_{ij}}{I_j} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \oint \oint \frac{d\mathbf{l}_i \cdot d\mathbf{l}_j}{|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j|} \quad (5.163)$$

which is known as Neumann's formula for the mutual inductance. It is apparent that $M_{ij} = M_{ji}$.

Neumann's formula is equally applicable to self-inductance:

$$L = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \oint \oint \frac{d\mathbf{l} \cdot d\mathbf{l}'}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} \quad (5.164)$$

Energy in the magnetic field

Suppose we have a single circuit with a constant current I flowing in it. To keep the current constant, the sources of current must do work. First, we consider the work done on an electron. When an electron q moves with velocity \mathbf{v} acted by \mathbf{E}' due to a changing magnetic flux, the change in energy per unit time is

$$\frac{dE}{dt} = \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{F} = q\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{E}' \quad (5.165)$$

Summing over all the electrons in circuit, we find that the power to maintain the current is

$$\frac{dW}{dt} = - \sum_i q_i \mathbf{v}_i \cdot \mathbf{E}'(\mathbf{x}_i) = - \int \rho(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{E}' d^3x \quad (5.166)$$

The negative sign follows from the Lenz's law. Assuming that the electrons form a continuous charge distribution, the summation can be transformed into a volume integral

$$\frac{dW}{dt} = - \int \rho \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{E}' d^3x = - \int \left(\int \mathbf{J} \cdot \mathbf{n}' ds \right) E' dl = -I\mathcal{E} = I \frac{dF}{dt} \quad (5.167)$$

where the line element $d\mathbf{l}$ and the unit vector \mathbf{n}' are in the direction of \mathbf{E}' . Therefore, if the flux change through a circuit carrying a current I is δF , the work done by the source is

$$\delta W = I\delta F = I \int_S \delta \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{n} da = I \oint \delta \mathbf{A} \cdot d\mathbf{l} \quad (5.168)$$

If there are multiple circuits carrying the currents, I_1, I_2, \dots, I_n ,

$$\delta W = \sum_{i=1}^n I_i \delta F_i = \sum_{i=1}^n I_i \oint \delta \mathbf{A}_i \cdot d\mathbf{l}_i \quad (5.169)$$

Energy density in the magnetic field

Suppose that each "circuit" is a closed path in the medium that follows a line of current density. Then, choosing a large number of contiguous circuits (C_i) and replacing $I_i d\mathbf{l}_i$ with $\mathbf{J} d^3x$, we obtain

$$\delta W = \int \delta \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{J} d^3x \quad (5.170)$$

Using Ampere's law, we find

$$\delta W = \int \delta \mathbf{A} \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{H}) d^3x \quad (5.171)$$

Using the vector identity $\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{P} \times \mathbf{Q}) = \mathbf{Q} \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{P}) - \mathbf{P} \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{Q})$ and applying the divergence theorem, we obtain

$$\delta W = \int \mathbf{H} \cdot (\nabla \times \delta \mathbf{A}) d^3x + \int_S (\mathbf{H} \times \delta \mathbf{A}) \cdot \mathbf{n} da \quad (5.172)$$

If the field distribution is localized, the surface integral vanishes. Since $\nabla \times \delta \mathbf{A} = \delta \mathbf{B}$,

$$\delta W = \int \mathbf{H} \cdot \delta \mathbf{B} d^3x \quad (5.173)$$

Assuming that the medium is para- or diamagnetic, i.e., $\mathbf{B} = \mu \mathbf{H}$ with a constant μ ,

$$\mathbf{H} \cdot \delta \mathbf{B} = \frac{1}{2} \delta(\mathbf{H} \cdot \mathbf{B}) \quad (5.174)$$

Then, the total magnetic energy becomes

$$W = \frac{1}{2} \int \mathbf{H} \cdot \mathbf{B} d^3x \quad (5.175)$$

By reasoning similar to that of the electrostatic energy density, we are led to the concept of energy density in a magnetic field:

$$w = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{H} \cdot \mathbf{B} \quad (5.176)$$

Assuming a linear relation between \mathbf{J} and \mathbf{A} , Eq. 5.170 leads to the magnetic energy

$$W = \frac{1}{2} \int \mathbf{J} \cdot \mathbf{A} d^3x \quad (5.178)$$

Magnetic energy of coupled circuits

If there are n rigid stationary circuits carrying the currents, I_1, I_2, \dots, I_n , the work done against the induced emf is given by

$$dW_b = \sum_{i=1}^n I_i dF_i \quad (5.179)$$

Assuming that all currents (and all fluxes) are brought to their final values in concert, i.e., at any instant of time all currents and all fluxes will be at the same fraction α of their final values, $I'_i = I_i \alpha$ and $dF_i = F_i d\alpha$. Integration of Eq. 5.169 is

$$\int dW_b = \int_0^1 d\alpha \sum_{i=1}^n I'_i F_i = \sum_{i=1}^n I_i F_i \int_0^1 \alpha d\alpha = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n I_i F_i \quad (5.180)$$

Then, the magnetic energy for rigid circuits and linear media is

$$W = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n I_i F_i \quad (5.181)$$

From Eqs. 5.156 and 5.159, the magnetic energy can be expressed as

$$W = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n M_{ij} I_i I_j \quad (5.182)$$

Forces on rigid circuits

Suppose we allow one of the parts of the system to make a rigid displacement $d\mathbf{x}$ under the influence of the magnetic forces acting upon it, *all currents remaining constant*. The mechanical work done by the force \mathbf{F} acting on the system is

$$dW_m = \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{x} = dW_b - dW \quad (5.183)$$

where dW is the change in magnetic energy of the system and dW_b is the work done by external energy sources against the induced emf to keep the current constant. According to Eq. 5.179 and 5.181,

$$dW_b = \sum_{i=1}^n I_i dF_i \quad (5.184)$$

and

$$dW = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n I_i dF_i \quad (5.185)$$

Thus,

$$dW_b = 2dW \quad (5.186)$$

Then,

$$dW = \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{x} \quad (5.187)$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{F} &= \nabla W \\ F_x &= \left(\frac{\partial W}{\partial x} \right)_I \end{aligned} \quad (5.188)$$

The force on the circuit is the gradient of the magnetic energy when I is maintained constant.

Force between two rigid circuits carrying constant currents

The magnetic energy is given by

$$W = \frac{1}{2} L_1 I_1^2 + M I_1 I_2 + \frac{1}{2} L_2 I_2^2 \quad (5.189)$$

and the force on circuit 2 is

$$\mathbf{F}_2 = \nabla_2 W = I_1 I_2 \nabla_2 M \quad (5.190)$$

Where the mutual inductance M must be written so that it display its dependence on \mathbf{x}_2 .

Neumann's formula shows this dependence explicitly, so we may write

$$\mathbf{F}_2 = \frac{\mu_0 I_1 I_2}{4\pi} \oint \oint d\mathbf{l}_1 \cdot d\mathbf{l}_2 \nabla_2 \frac{1}{|\mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{x}_1|} = -\frac{\mu_0 I_1 I_2}{4\pi} \oint \oint d\mathbf{l}_1 \cdot d\mathbf{l}_2 \frac{\mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{x}_1}{|\mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{x}_1|^3} \quad (5.191)$$

an expression that evidently shows the proper symmetry, i.e., $\mathbf{F}_2 = -\mathbf{F}_1$. It is equivalent to

$$\mathbf{F}_2 = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} I_1 I_2 \oint \oint \frac{d\mathbf{l}_2 \times [d\mathbf{l}_1 \times (\mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{x}_1)]}{|\mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{x}_1|^3} \quad (5.192)$$

Solenoid and iron rod

Q. Consider a long solenoid of N turns per unit length carrying constant current I . An iron rod of constant permeability μ and cross-sectional area A is inserted along the solenoid axis. If the rod is withdrawn until only one-half of its length remains in the solenoid, calculate approximately the force tending to pull it back into place.

Solution:

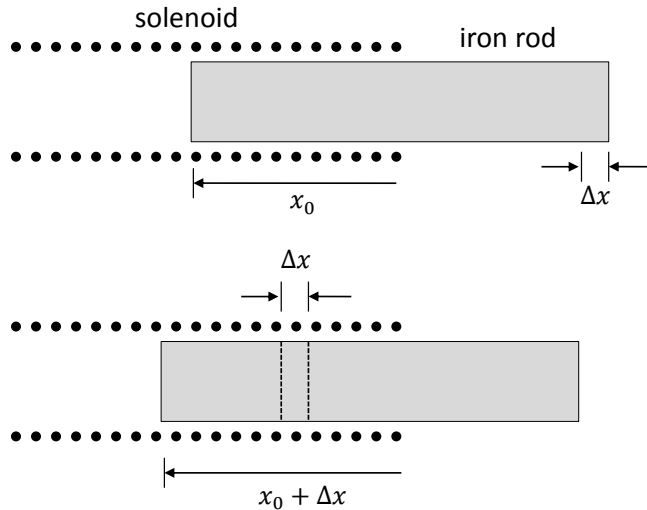


Fig 5.15 Force on iron rod inserted into a solenoid

We do not have to calculate the entire magnetic energy of the system but merely the difference in energy between the two configurations shown in Fig. 5.15. The field structure is relatively uniform far from the ends of the rod and the solenoid. The essential difference between the two configurations is that a length Δx from the extreme right-hand end of the rod (outside the field region) is effectively transferred to the uniform field region inside the solenoid, at a place beyond the demagnetizing influence of the magnet pole. Thus since \mathbf{H} is nearly longitudinal in the region Δx , and since the tangential component of \mathbf{H} is continuous at the cylindrical boundary of the rod, let us use

$$W = \frac{1}{2} \int \mu H^2 d^3x \quad (5.193)$$

where \mathbf{H} is constant inside and outside the rod because I is constant. Consequently,

$$W(x_0 + \Delta x) \cong W(x_0) + \frac{1}{2} \int (\mu - \mu_0) H^2 d^3x = W(x_0) + \frac{1}{2} (\mu - \mu_0) N^2 I^2 A \Delta x$$

Therefore, the force on the iron rod is

$$F_x \cong \frac{1}{2} (\mu - \mu_0) N^2 I^2 A = \frac{1}{2} \chi_m \mu_0 H^2 A \quad (5.194)$$

in the direction of increasing x_0 .