

Magnetic Multipole Expansion

$$\vec{A} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \int_C \frac{d\vec{l}'}{r''}$$

From before

$$\frac{1}{r''} = \frac{1}{r} \sum_n \left(\frac{r'}{r}\right)^n P_n(\cos\alpha)$$

where α is the angle between \vec{r} and \vec{r}' .

$$\vec{A} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \sum_n \frac{1}{r^{n+1}} \int_C (r')^n P_n(\cos\alpha) d\vec{l}'$$

Monopole Term ($n=0$)

$$\vec{A}_0 = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi r} \oint_C d\vec{l}' \quad (P_0=1)$$

If current path is closed, $\oint_C d\vec{l}' = 0$,
so the monopole term is zero.

Dipole Term (n=1)

$$\vec{A}_1 = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi r^2} \oint_C r' \cos \alpha' d\vec{l}'$$

$$(P_1 = x)$$

As before,

$$\hat{r} \cdot \vec{r}' = r' \cos \alpha$$

So

$$\vec{A}_1 = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi r^2} \oint_C (\hat{r} \cdot \vec{r}') d\vec{l}'$$

Another vector identity (sometimes you need something beyond Schwann's)

$$\oint_C \vec{H} \cdot \vec{r} d\vec{l} = \vec{a} \times \vec{H}$$

where \vec{H} is any fixed vector and

$$\vec{a} \equiv \int_S \hat{n} da = \int_S d\vec{a}$$

where S is a surface bounded by C . If the surface is flat, $\vec{a} = A\hat{n}$ where A is the area of the surface.

So

$$\oint_C (\hat{r} \cdot \vec{r}') d\vec{l}' = \vec{a} \times \hat{r} \\ = \left(\int_S \hat{n} da \right) \times \hat{r}$$

$$\vec{A}_1 = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi r^2} \left(I \int_S \hat{n} da \right) \times \hat{r}$$

Defn Magnetic Dipole Moment (\vec{m})

$$\vec{m} = I \int_S \hat{n} da$$

$$\vec{A}_1 = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{\vec{m} \times \hat{r}}{r^2}$$

Magnetic Dipole Field (assume $\vec{m} = m \hat{y}$)

$$\vec{B}_{d.p} = \nabla \times \vec{A}_1 = \frac{\mu_0 m}{4\pi r^3} \left(2 \cos \theta \hat{r} + \sin \theta \hat{\theta} \right)$$

x-axis

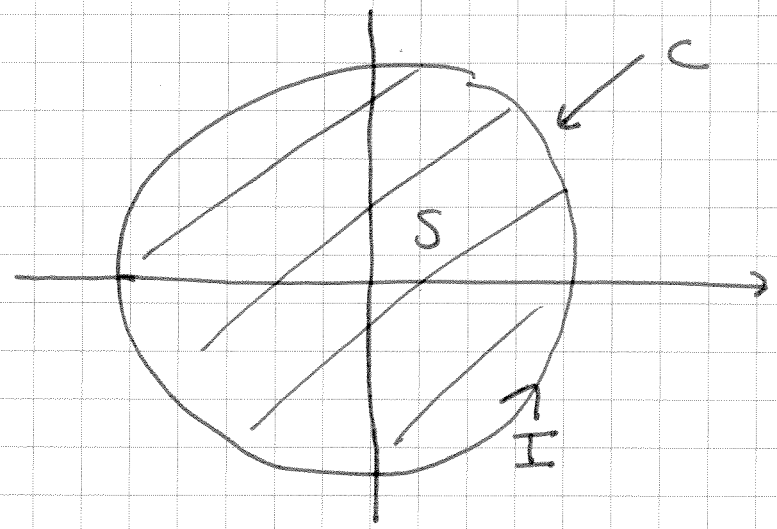
$$\vec{B} = \frac{-\mu_0 m}{4\pi |x|^3} \hat{y}$$

y-axis

$$\vec{B} = \frac{2\mu_0 m}{4\pi |y|^3} \hat{y}$$

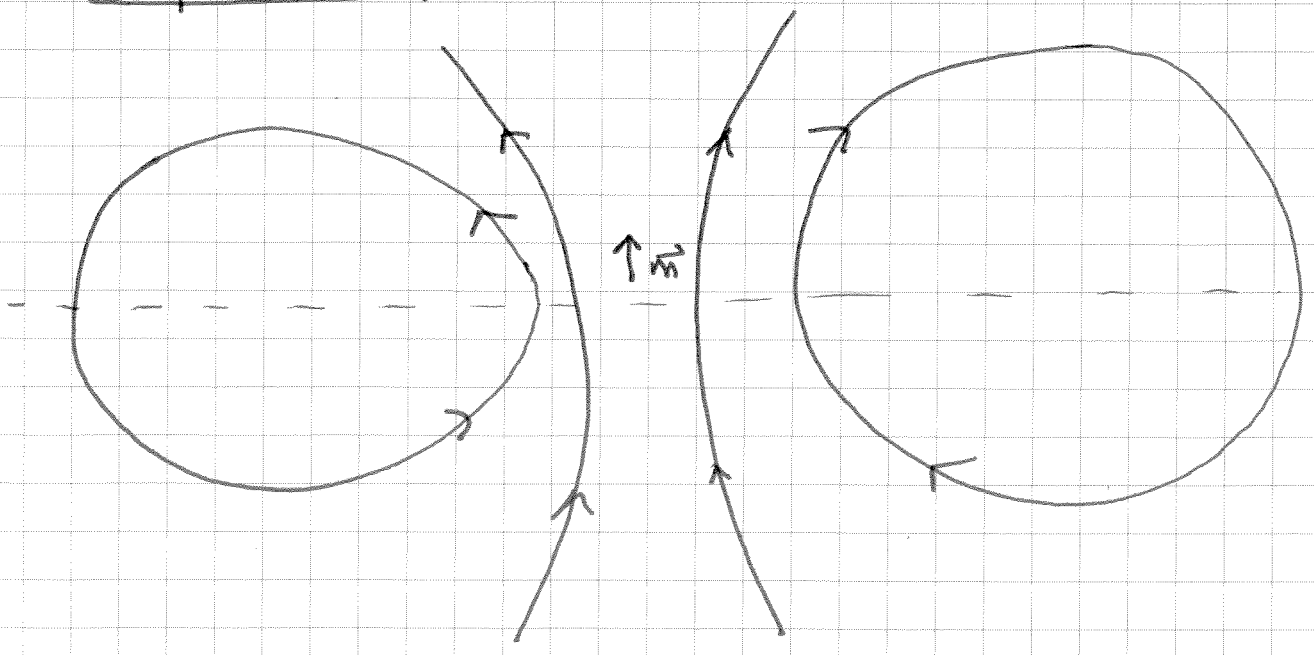
Right-Hand Rule for Moment - Curl fingers of right hand in the direction of I , thumb points toward \vec{m}

\Rightarrow Direct result of convention for positive surface normals.

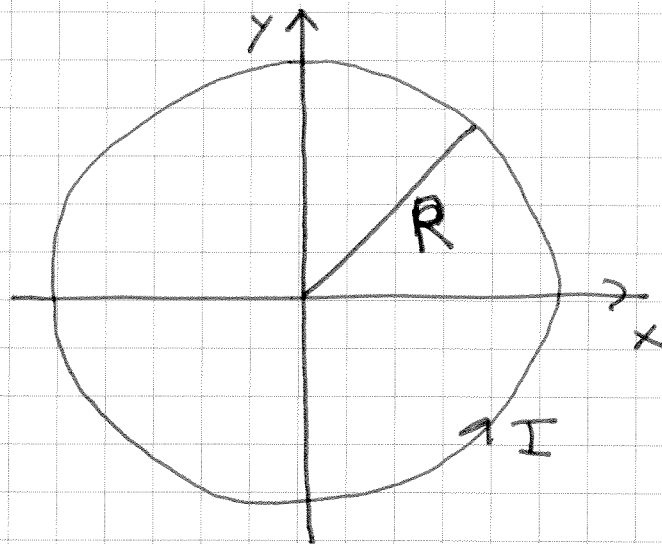


Moment out of page

Dipole Field



Ex Magnetic Moment Current Loop in x-y plane
of radius R .



As before, $\vec{m} = m \hat{z}$ by RHR

$$m = \pi R^2 I$$

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In general, $|\vec{m}| = N I A$
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 turns area

Field along the axis of the loop,

$$\vec{B} = \frac{2m\mu_0}{4\pi z^3} \hat{z} = \frac{2\pi R^2 I \mu_0}{4\pi z^3} \hat{z}$$

$$= \frac{I R^2 \mu_0}{2 z^3} \hat{z}$$

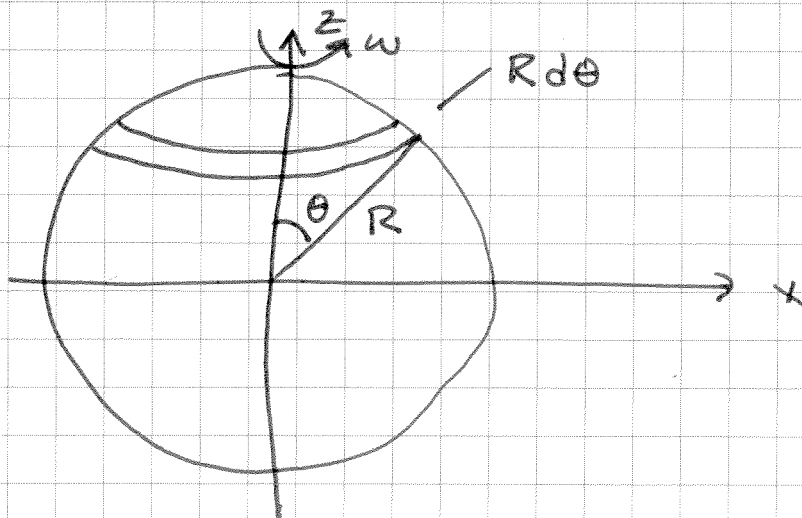
We know the exact field along the axis from a previous calculation.

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{B}(z) &= \frac{\mu_0 I}{z} \frac{R^2}{(R^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} \hat{z} \\ &= \frac{\mu_0 I R^2}{z z^3} \left(1 + \left(\frac{R}{z} \right)^2 \right)^{-3/2} \hat{z}\end{aligned}$$

As $z \rightarrow \infty$, $() \rightarrow 1$

$$\vec{B}(z) = \frac{\mu_0 I R^2}{z z^3} \hat{z} \quad \checkmark$$

Ex Compute magnetic dipole moment of thin shell with uniform surface charge density σ spinning with angular velocity ω



As before, $\vec{v} = R \sin \theta \omega \hat{\phi}$

$$\vec{K} = \sigma \vec{v} = \sigma R \sin \theta \omega \hat{\phi}$$

Cut the surface into thin strips of width $R d\theta$

The current in each strip is $d\vec{I} = \vec{K} R d\theta$

$$d\vec{I} = \sigma \omega R^2 \sin \theta d\theta \hat{\phi}$$

The magnetic moment of each strip is

$$dm = (dI)(A) = (dI) \pi (R \sin \theta)^2$$

$$dm = \pi \sigma \omega R^4 \sin^3 \theta d\theta$$

Add the moments,

$$\vec{m} = \hat{z} \int_0^\pi dm = \hat{z} \int_0^\pi \pi \sigma \omega R^4 \sin^3 \theta d\theta$$

$$= \hat{z} \pi \sigma \omega R^4 \int_0^\pi \sin^3 \theta d\theta$$

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$$= \frac{4}{3} \pi \sigma \omega R^4 \hat{z}$$