

1. In problem 5.8, we have expressed the internal and external multipole moments in spherical coordinates:

$$\text{internal :} \quad m_l = -\frac{1}{l(l+1)} \int d^3x' r'^{-(l+1)} P_l^1(\cos \theta') J(r', \theta') \quad (1)$$

$$\text{external :} \quad \mu_l = -\frac{1}{l(l+1)} \int d^3x' r'^l P_l^1(\cos \theta') J(r', \theta') \quad (2)$$

For the double-coil setup in problem 5.7, it will be more convenient to write the current density function in spherical coordinates too:

$$J(\mathbf{x}') = I \frac{\delta(r' - d)}{d} [\delta(\theta' - \theta_0) + \delta(\theta' - \pi + \theta_0)] \quad \text{where} \quad \sin \theta_0 = \frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2 + (b/2)^2}} = \frac{a}{d} \quad (3)$$

We can quickly verify the correctness of (3) by doing a space integral to see it recovers the sum of two line integrals along the two loops:

$$\begin{aligned} \int d^3x' J(\mathbf{x}') &= I \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi' \int_0^{2\pi} r'^2 dr' \frac{\delta(r' - d)}{d} \int_0^\pi \sin \theta' d\theta' [\delta(\theta' - \theta_0) + \delta(\theta' - \pi + \theta_0)] \\ &= 2\pi I \cdot d \cdot 2 \sin \theta_0 = 2 \cdot 2\pi a I \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

With (3) inserted into (1),

$$\begin{aligned} m_l &= -\frac{I}{l(l+1)} \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi' \int_0^\infty r'^2 dr' r'^{-(l+1)} \frac{\delta(r' - d)}{d} \int_0^\pi P_l^1(\cos \theta') \sin \theta' d\theta' [\delta(\theta' - \theta_0) + \delta(\theta' - \pi + \theta_0)] \\ &= -\frac{2\pi I}{l(l+1)} d^{-l} \sin \theta_0 [P_l^1(\cos \theta_0) + P_l^1(-\cos \theta_0)] \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

By the sign convention of this book (see equation 3.49)

$$P_l^1(\cos \theta_0) + P_l^1(-\cos \theta_0) = -\sin \theta_0 [P'_l(\cos \theta_0) + P'_l(-\cos \theta_0)] \quad (6)$$

(5) turns into

$$m_l = \frac{2\pi I}{l(l+1)} \frac{\sin^2 \theta_0}{d^l} [P'_l(\cos \theta_0) + P'_l(-\cos \theta_0)] = \begin{cases} \frac{4\pi I}{l(l+1)} \frac{a^2}{d^{l+2}} P'_l\left(\frac{b}{2d}\right) & \text{for } l \text{ odd} \\ 0 & \text{for } l \text{ even} \end{cases} \quad (7)$$

Similarly,

$$\mu_l = \begin{cases} \frac{4\pi I}{l(l+1)} a^2 d^{l-1} P'_l\left(\frac{b}{2d}\right) & \text{for } l \text{ odd} \\ 0 & \text{for } l \text{ even} \end{cases} \quad (8)$$

For  $l = 1, \dots, 5$ , these multipole moments are

$$\begin{aligned} m_2 &= \mu_2 = m_4 = \mu_4 = 0 \\ m_1 &= \frac{2\pi I a^2}{d^3} & \mu_1 &= 2\pi I a^2 \\ m_3 &= \frac{\pi I a^2}{3d^5} \left[ \frac{15}{2} \left(\frac{b}{2d}\right)^2 - \frac{3}{2} \right] = \pi I a^2 \left( \frac{b^2 - a^2}{2d^7} \right) & \mu_3 &= \pi I a^2 \left( \frac{b^2 - a^2}{2} \right) \\ m_5 &= \frac{2\pi I a^2}{15d^7} \left[ \frac{315}{8} \left(\frac{b}{2d}\right)^4 - \frac{210}{8} \left(\frac{b}{2d}\right)^2 + \frac{15}{8} \right] = \pi I a^2 \left( \frac{b^4 - 6a^2 b^2 + 2a^4}{8d^{11}} \right) \\ \mu_5 &= \pi I a^2 \left( \frac{b^4 - 6a^2 b^2 + 2a^4}{8} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

2. Now we calculate the  $z$ -direction field  $B_z$  for points on the axis with small  $z$ . Recall from problem 5.8, for interior region ( $r < r'$ ):

$$\mathbf{A} = -\hat{\phi} \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} P_l^1(\cos \theta) r^l m_l \quad (10)$$

The dipole contribution ( $l = 1$ ) to  $A_\phi$  is thus:

$$\begin{aligned} A_\phi^{(1)} &= -\frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} [P_1^1(\cos \theta) r] m_1 = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \rho m_1 \implies \\ B_z^{(1)}(\rho = 0, z) &= [\nabla \times \mathbf{A}^{(1)}]_z(0, z) = \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial \rho A_\phi^{(1)}}{\partial \rho} \Big|_{\rho=0} = \frac{\mu_0}{2\pi} m_1 = \frac{\mu_0 I a^2}{d^3} \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

Similarly, contribution from  $l = 3$  is

$$\begin{aligned} A_\phi^{(3)} &= -\frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} [P_3^1(\cos \theta) r^3] m_3 = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \left[ \sin \theta \left( \frac{15}{2} \cos^2 \theta - \frac{3}{2} \right) r^3 \right] m_3 \\ &= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \left( \frac{15}{2} \rho z^2 - \frac{3}{2} \rho r^2 \right) m_3 \\ &= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \left[ \frac{15}{2} \rho z^2 - \frac{3}{2} \rho (\rho^2 + z^2) \right] m_3 \\ &= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \left( 6\rho z^2 - \frac{3}{2} \rho^3 \right) m_3 \implies \\ B_z^{(3)}(\rho = 0, z) &= \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial \rho A_\phi^{(3)}}{\partial \rho} \Big|_{\rho=0} = \frac{3\mu_0 z^2}{\pi} m_3 = \frac{\mu_0 I a^2}{d^7} \left[ \frac{3(b^2 - a^2)z^2}{2} \right] \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

Lastly, for  $l = 5$ :

$$\begin{aligned} A_\phi^{(5)} &= -\frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} [P_5^1(\cos \theta) r^5] m_5 = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \left[ \sin \theta \left( \frac{315}{8} \cos^4 \theta - \frac{210}{8} \cos^2 \theta + \frac{15}{8} \right) r^5 \right] m_5 \\ &= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \left( \frac{315}{8} \rho z^4 - \frac{210}{8} \rho z^2 r^2 + \frac{15}{8} \rho r^4 \right) m_5 \\ &= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \left[ \frac{315}{8} \rho z^4 - \frac{210}{8} \rho z^2 (\rho^2 + z^2) + \frac{15}{8} \rho (\rho^2 + z^2)^2 \right] m_5 \\ &= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} [15\rho z^4 + O(\rho^3)] m_5 \implies \\ B_z^{(5)}(\rho = 0, z) &= \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial \rho A_\phi^{(5)}}{\partial \rho} \Big|_{\rho=0} = \frac{15\mu_0 z^4}{2\pi} m_5 = \frac{\mu_0 I a^2}{d^{11}} \left[ \frac{15(b^4 - 6a^2 b^2 + 2a^4)z^4}{16} \right] \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

As expected, (11)-(13) agree with the result obtained in problem 5.7(b).