

# Magnetostatics

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- Magnetostatics:

$$\vec{F}_{\text{lorentz}} = q\vec{v} \times \vec{B}$$

- This is “static” in the sense of steady flow of magnetic field
- The units of  $\vec{B}$  are Teslas [T]
- In the simple case where  $\vec{B} = B_o\hat{z}$  and  $v_z = 0$ , the force could be described as:

$$|\vec{F}| = qvB$$

- With inward direction. We can then write:

$$qvB = \frac{mv^2}{R}$$

$$qB = \frac{mv}{R}$$

$$qB = \frac{p}{R}$$

$$R = \frac{p}{qB}$$

- The frequency of rotation may be written:

$$\omega = \frac{qB}{m}$$

- Total force may be written as:

$$\vec{F} = q\vec{E} + q\vec{v} \times \vec{B} = q(\vec{E} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B})$$

- \* Special Case:  $\vec{F} = 0$

$$\vec{E} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B} = 0$$

- \* Given  $\vec{E} = E_o \hat{z}$  and  $\vec{B} = B_o \hat{x}$ , we would get:

$$E_o \hat{z} + v_z B_o \hat{y} - v_y B_o \hat{z} = 0$$

- \* From this, we get  $v_z = 0$  and  $v_y = \frac{E_o}{B_o}$
  - \* This can be used to construct a velocity selector
  - \* In the event that  $\vec{E} \parallel \vec{B}$ , an expand or contracting helix about the fields as a pole would be constructed
- We now go back to a general case:  $\vec{E} \perp \vec{B}$ ,  $\vec{F}_{net} \neq 0$ ,  $\vec{E} = E \hat{z}$ , and  $\vec{B} = B \hat{x}$

$$\frac{1}{m} \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = q(\vec{E} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B})$$

- \* The solutions for this would look as follows:

$$y(t) = c_1 \cos(\omega t) + c_2 \sin(\omega t) + \frac{E}{B} t + c_3$$

$$z(t) = c_2 \cos(\omega t) + c_1 \sin(\omega t) + c_4$$

$$\omega = \frac{qB}{m}$$

- \* This shape is known as a cycloid
- \* Special case: starting from rest at (0,0); this would give us:

$$c_1 = 0 \quad c_2 = -\frac{E}{\omega B} \quad c_3 = -c_1 \quad c_4 = -c_2$$

$$y(t) = -\frac{E}{\omega B} \sin(\omega t) + \frac{E}{B} t = R(\omega t - \sin(\omega t))$$

$$z(t) = R(1 - \cos(\omega t))$$

$$\vec{v}_{cent} = \left( \frac{\vec{E} \times \vec{B}}{B^2} \right)$$

- \* Work:

$$dW = \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{l} = (q\vec{v} \times \vec{B}) \cdot \vec{v} dt = q dt (\vec{v} \times \vec{B}) \cdot \vec{v} = 0$$

- \* Critical note: magnetic fields do no work
- \* Magnetic fields may induce electric fields to do work, but do not do work themselves

## • Continuous Systems

- Given a wire in space, with a bit of charge,  $dq$ , moving with velocity  $\vec{v}$  shaped in rectangle, and placed in a magnetic field  $\vec{B} = \frac{A}{z} \hat{x}$ :

$$dq \vec{v} = I d\vec{l}$$

$$d\vec{F} = I d\vec{l} \times \vec{B}$$

$$\vec{F}_{mag} = \int I d\vec{l} \times \vec{B}$$

- Solving would give us:

$$\begin{aligned} F_{tot} &= -IL \left( \frac{A}{a} \right) \hat{\mathbf{z}} + \hat{\mathbf{y}} \int_a^b \frac{A}{z} dz + \hat{\mathbf{z}} IL \left( \frac{A}{b} \right) - \hat{\mathbf{y}} I \int_a^b \frac{A}{z} dz \\ &= -\hat{\mathbf{z}} ILA \left( \frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b} \right) \end{aligned}$$

- There are several types of densities:

$$\text{Linear: } I d\vec{l}$$

$$\text{Surface: } \vec{K} da$$

$$\text{Bulk: } \vec{J} d\tau$$

- The following is an important continuity equation:

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

- This is another form of charge conservation

- The Biot-Savart law is akin to Coulomb's law, but for magnetism:

$$d\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_o I d\vec{l} \times \hat{\mathbf{R}}}{4\pi R^2}$$

- Not the expression can be modified:

$$I d\vec{l} \iff \vec{K} da \iff \vec{J} d\tau$$

- The magnetic permeability of free space is:

$$\mu_o = 4\pi \cdot 10^{-7} \left[ \frac{\text{N}}{\text{A}^2} \right]$$

- \* This term “defines the amp”, and the current then “defines the coulomb”
- \* Also note: the magnetic field is defined in Newtons per amp-meter

- Ampère's Law

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \mu_o J \iff \vec{B} = \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \int \frac{\vec{J} \times \hat{\mathbf{R}} d\tau}{R^2}$$

- Notice, we can then use Stokes' Theorem to write:

$$\oint \vec{B} dl = \int_V (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B}) d\vec{a} = \int \mu_o J^2 \cdot d\vec{a} = \mu_o I_{enc}$$

- Vector Potential

- We already know:

$$\vec{E} = -\vec{\nabla}V$$

- We can derive a magnetic counterpart as:

$$\vec{B} = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}$$

- By definition, we know:

$$\vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{A} + \vec{\nabla}t) = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A} + \underbrace{\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\nabla}t}_0$$

- \* This is known as “choice of gauge” — we can expand upon this using:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A} &= \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{A} + \vec{\nabla}t) = \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A} + \nabla^2 t \\ \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A} &= 0 \rightarrow \nabla^2 t = -\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A}\end{aligned}$$

- \* This is known as the “Coulomb gauge”

- If we assume  $\vec{\nabla} = 0$  and use Ampère’s Law, we get:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} &= \mu_o \vec{J} \\ \vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) &= \mu_o \vec{J}\end{aligned}$$

- \* This then becomes

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{\nabla} \underbrace{(\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A})}_0 - \nabla^2 \vec{A} &= \mu_o \vec{J} \\ \nabla^2 \vec{A} &= -\mu_o \vec{J}\end{aligned}$$

- From the definition in electrostatics, we can obtain a definition for magnetostatics:

$$\begin{aligned}V(\vec{r}) &= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_o} \int \frac{\rho(\vec{r}')}{R} d\tau' \\ \vec{A}(\vec{r}) &= \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \int \frac{\vec{J}(\vec{r}')}{R} d\tau'\end{aligned}$$