

Goal: *Uniformly magnetized square ferromagnetic plate.* A uniformly magnetized square ferromagnetic plate of side length a and thickness d ($d \ll a$) is situated in air. With reference to the coordinate system in Fig. 5.36, the magnetization vector in the plate is given by $\mathbf{M} = M_o \mathbf{a}_z$, where M_o is a constant. Determine the magnetic flux density vector at an arbitrary point on the z axis.

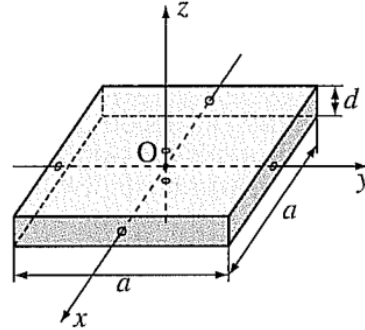


Figure 5.36
Uniformly magnetized square ferromagnetic plate; for Problem 5.3.

Steps:

1. Determine the current densities \mathbf{J}_m and $\mathbf{J}_{m,s}$ equivalent to magnetization, and sketch them in Fig. 5.36.

Solution: Since \mathbf{M} is a constant, $\mathbf{J}_m = 0$. The red arrow indicate the direction of $\mathbf{J}_{m,s}$ on each of the four sides. They each have a magnitude of M_o . The $\mathbf{J}_{m,s}$ on the top and bottom surfaces are zero.

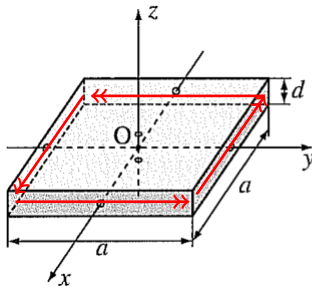


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2. By symmetry, determine what is the direction of the \mathbf{B} field on a point on the z axis.

Solution: The z -component is non-zero. All other components are zero.

3. Determine the magnetic flux density vector at an arbitrary point on the z axis.

Solution: We add up the contributions of \mathbf{B} -field from the four sides, and knowing that the current on each of the four sides is $M_o d$, to give

$$\mathbf{B} = \frac{2\sqrt{2}\mu_o M_o a^2 d}{\pi(4z^2 + a^2)\sqrt{2z^2 + a^2}} \mathbf{a}_z$$

Answer:

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