
A cylindrical bar magnet of radius b and length L has a uniform magnetization $\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{a}_z M_o$ along its axis. Determine the magnetic flux density at an arbitrary distant point.

Solution: A cylindrical bar magnet having a uniform magnetization $\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{a}_z M_o$ is equivalent to a magnetic volume current density

$$\mathbf{J}_m = \nabla \times \mathbf{M} = 0$$

and a magnetic surface current density

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{J}_{ms} &= \mathbf{M} \times \mathbf{a}_n \\ &= (\mathbf{a}_z M_o) \times \mathbf{a}_r \\ &= \mathbf{a}_\phi M_o\end{aligned}$$

on the cylinder wall. At a distant point, the magnetic flux density \mathbf{B} due to \mathbf{J}_{ms} flowing on a cylindrical wall of length L and radius b is the same as that due to a circular loop of radius b carrying a current $I = M_o L$. It is given by Eq. 6-44, which is the same as Eq. 6-73 obtained in Example 6-9 where the total dipole moment of the cylindrical magnet is $M_T = I\pi b^2 = M_o L\pi b^2$.

Answer:

$$\mathbf{B} = \frac{\mu_o M_T}{4\pi R^3} (a_R \cos \theta + a_\theta \sin \theta), \text{ where}$$
$$M_T = M_o L\pi b^2$$