

Assignment 03: On Visualising Vector Fields

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Problem Statement

In the first part of the given problem presents us the expression of Magnetic Field due to an element of a current carrying wire of length $2L$ in the spherical polar coordinate system. We are asked to integrate the given expression and transform it into Cartesian Coordinate system and then plot the magnetic field lines in X-Y Plane.

In the second part of the given problem i took a charge configuration such that there are 4 point charges situated at $(0,0),(0,1),(1,0),(1,1)$. I found the expression for field and potential and plotted the equipotential surface.

Aim

Part-1:

To integrate the given expression for Magnetic Field and transform the cylindrical coordinate system to Cartesian Coordinate system and plot the final expression in the X-Y plane and observe it.

Part-2:

1. take a charge configuration, find its field and potential expression
2. plot its equipotential surface and streamline.

Code Organization

Part 1:

1. integrating the function.
2. finding limit $l \rightarrow \infty$ value of integrated function
3. plotting field lines for $l \rightarrow \infty$
4. plotting field lines for $l=1$

Part 2:

1. expression for field

- 2.streamline plotting
- 3.expression for potential
- 4.equipotential surface plotting

Code for computation

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b = Integrate[ $\frac{\rho}{(\rho^2 + (z - u)^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$ , {u, -1, 1}, Assumptions → { $\rho > 0$ ,  $1 > 0$ ,  $z \in \text{Reals}$ }]

a = Limit[ $\frac{\frac{1-z}{\sqrt{1^2+\rho^2-2\,1\,z+z^2}} + \frac{1+z}{\sqrt{1^2+\rho^2+2\,1\,z+z^2}}}{\rho}$ , 1 → Infinity]

gxy = {-a y /  $\rho$ , a x /  $\rho$ } /.  $\rho \rightarrow (x^2 + y^2)^{(1/2)}$ 

Stp = StreamPlot[gxy, {x, -20, 20}, {y, -20, 20},
  VectorColorFunction → "GrayTones", GridLines → Automatic];
vecPlt = VectorPlot[gxy, {x, -20, 20},
  {y, -20, 20}, VectorColorFunction → None, GridLines → Automatic];
GraphicsRow[{vecPlt, Stp}, ImageSize → Large]
hxy = {-b y /  $\rho$ , b x /  $\rho$ } /.  $\rho \rightarrow (x^2 + y^2)^{(1/2)}$ 
axy = hxy /. {1 → 1, z → 0}
S1tp = StreamPlot[axy, {x, -2, 2}, {y, -2, 2},
  VectorColorFunction → "GrayTones", GridLines → Automatic];
vec1Plt = VectorPlot[axy, {x, -2, 2},
  {y, -2, 2}, VectorColorFunction → None, GridLines → Automatic];
GraphicsRow[{vec1Plt, S1tp}, ImageSize → Large]
(*i take a configuration of 4 charges of +q at (0,0), (1,0), (0,1) (1,1),*)
forxy = {x / (x^2 + y^2)^(5/2) + (x - 1) / ((x - 1)^2 + y^2)^(5/2) +
  x / (x^2 + (y - 1)^2)^(5/2) + (x - 1) / ((x - 1)^2 + (y - 1)^2)^(5/2),
  y / (x^2 + y^2)^(5/2) + y / ((x - 1)^2 + y^2)^(5/2) +
  (y - 1) / (x^2 + (y - 1)^2)^(5/2) + (y - 1) / ((x - 1)^2 + (y - 1)^2)^(5/2)}
S2tp = StreamPlot[forxy, {x, -2, 2}, {y, -2, 2},
  VectorColorFunction → "GrayTones", GridLines → Automatic];
GraphicsRow[{S2tp}, ImageSize → Large]
potxy =
  {1 / (x^2 + y^2) + 1 / ((x - 1)^2 + y^2) + 1 / (x^2 + (y - 1)^2) + 1 / ((x - 1)^2 + (y - 1)^2)}
equipot1 = ContourPlot[potxy, {x, -1, 2}, {y, -1, 2},
  ColorFunction → "TemperatureMap", ImageSize → 300, Contours → 10,
  ContourStyle → Table[{Opacity[1.], Hue[i / 10]}, {i, 15}],
  Axes → True, LabelStyle → {FontSize → 14, Black}, PlotPoints → 50,
  Epilog → Arrow[{0, -0.3}, {0.0, 0.3}]] // Quiet

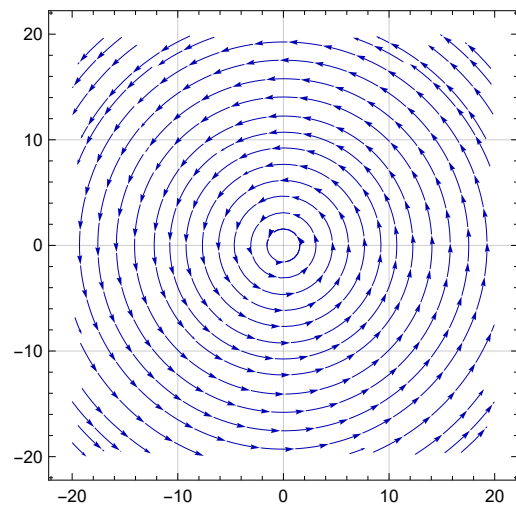
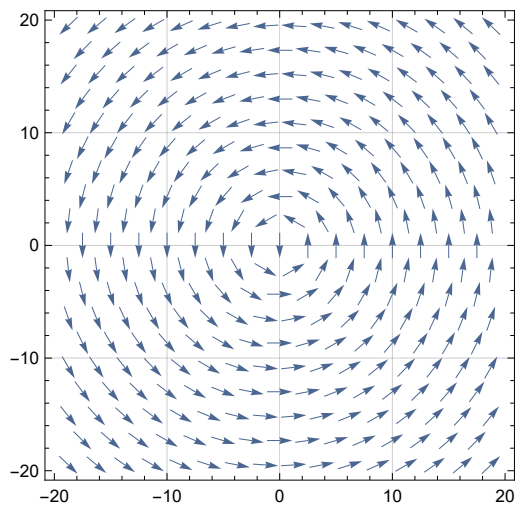
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Results

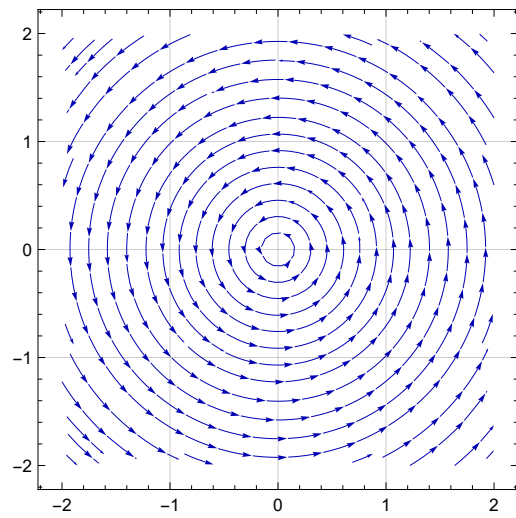
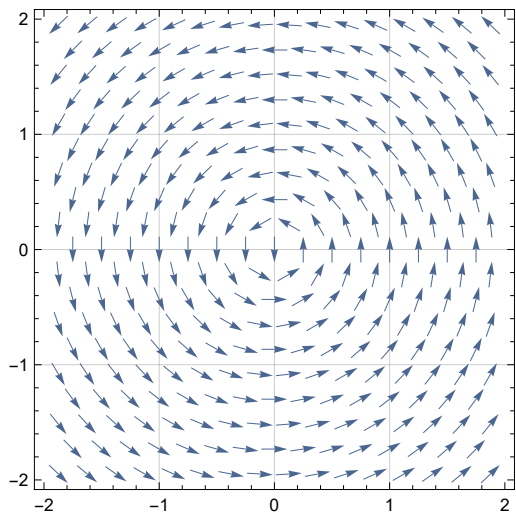
integrated value :

$$\frac{z \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{(1-z)^2 + \rho^2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{(1+z)^2 + \rho^2}} \right) + 1 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{(1-z)^2 + \rho^2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{(1+z)^2 + \rho^2}} \right)}{\rho}$$

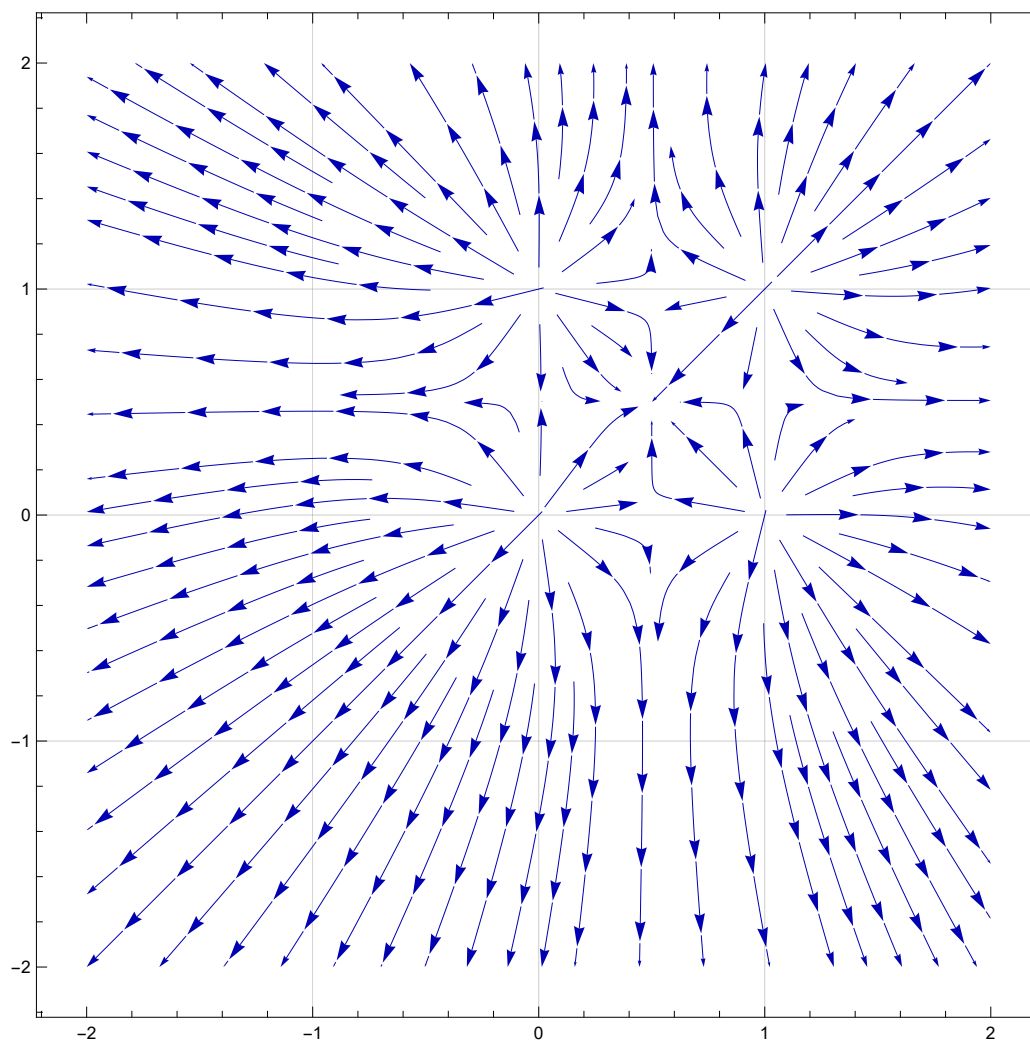
magnetic field lines graph



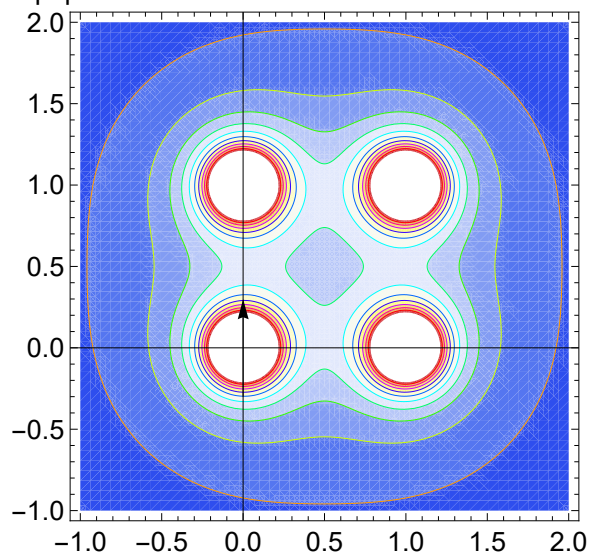
$l=1$:



streamline of charge distribution:



equipotential surface:



Comments

i learnt about how to plot equipotential surface for a charge configuration. i also learnt how to use mathematica for plotting.

References

1. ChatGPT