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1 Question 6.2

(a) Initial Conditions At $t = 0$:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r}_0 &= (x_0, 0, 0) \\ \vec{v}_0 &= (v_{x0}, 0, 0) \\ \theta &= 0 \text{ (particle starts on x-axis)}\end{aligned}$$

(b) Magnetic Field The dipolar magnetic field is given by:

$$\vec{B} = \frac{B_0}{r^3} (2 \cos \theta \hat{r} + \sin \theta \hat{\theta})$$

At $\theta = 0$, \vec{B} points in the z -direction:

$$\vec{B} = \frac{B_0}{x_0^3} (2\hat{z})$$

(c) Lorentz Force Equation The Lorentz force is:

$$\vec{F} = q\vec{v} \times \vec{B}$$

At $t = 0$, the cross-product gives:

$$\vec{v} \times \vec{B} = (v_{x0}, 0, 0) \times (0, 0, \frac{2B_0}{x_0^3}) = (0, -\frac{2B_0 v_{x0}}{x_0^3}, 0)$$

This force is in the negative y -direction.

(d) Forward Euler Method

For the numerical update, using the Forward Euler method:

$$v_x(t + \Delta t) = v_x(t) + \frac{q}{m} [\vec{v}(t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{r}(t))]_x \Delta t$$

$$v_y(t + \Delta t) = v_y(t) + \frac{q}{m} [\vec{v}(t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{r}(t))]_y \Delta t$$

$$x(t + \Delta t) = x(t) + v_x(t) \Delta t$$

$$y(t + \Delta t) = y(t) + v_y(t) \Delta t$$

(e) Solution for $t = \Delta t$:

For $t = \Delta t$:

$$v_x(\Delta t) = v_{x0}$$

$$v_y(\Delta t) = 0 + \frac{q}{m} \left(-\frac{2B_0 v_{x0}}{x_0^3} \right) \Delta t$$

$$x(\Delta t) = x_0 + v_{x0} \Delta t$$

$$y(\Delta t) = 0$$

(f) Solution for $t = 2\Delta t$ For $t = 2\Delta t$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 v_x(2\Delta t) &= v_{x0} + \frac{q}{m} \left(v_y(\Delta t) \cdot \left(-\frac{2B_0}{x_0^3} \right) \right) \Delta t \\
 v_y(2\Delta t) &= v_y(\Delta t) + \frac{q}{m} \frac{2B_0 v_{x0}}{x_0^3} \Delta t \\
 &= \frac{q}{m} \frac{4B_0 v_{x0}}{x_0^3} \Delta t \\
 x(2\Delta t) &= x_0 + 2v_{x0} \Delta t \\
 y(2\Delta t) &= \frac{q}{m} \frac{2B_0 v_{x0}}{x_0^3} \Delta t^2
 \end{aligned}$$

2 Ampere's Law

(a) Symmetry considerations:

- Since the current is flowing in the x -direction, the magnetic field will be in the z -direction.
- The field depends only on z , as the planes are infinite in the x and y directions.
- The problem is symmetric about the $z = 0$ plane, so the magnetic field must reflect this symmetry.

Therefore, the magnetic field can be written as:

$$\mathbf{B}(z) = B_z(z) \hat{z}$$

(b) Applying Ampere's law: Consider an Amperian loop in the y - z plane with width w . We apply Ampere's law to calculate the magnetic field:

$$\oint \mathbf{B} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = \mu_0 I_{\text{enc}}$$

where I_{enc} is the enclosed current.

(c) Calculating the magnetic field: - The magnetic field due to a single current sheet is given by:

$$B_z = \pm \frac{\mu_0 K_0}{2}$$

- Now, we examine the contributions from each plane for different regions along z :

- For $z > t/2$: - The top plane ($\mathbf{K}_1 = -K_0 \hat{x}$) contributes:

$$B_{z,1}(z > t/2) = -\frac{\mu_0 K_0}{2}$$

- The bottom plane ($\mathbf{K}_2 = K_0 \hat{x}$) contributes:

$$B_{z,2}(z > t/2) = +\frac{\mu_0 K_0}{2}$$

- Net field:

$$B_z(z > t/2) = B_{z,1} + B_{z,2} = 0$$

- For $-t/2 < z < t/2$: - The top plane contributes:

$$B_{z,1}(z) = +\frac{\mu_0 K_0}{2}$$

- The bottom plane contributes:

$$B_{z,2}(z) = +\frac{\mu_0 K_0}{2}$$

- Net field:

$$B_z(-t/2 < z < t/2) = \frac{\mu_0 K_0}{2} + \frac{\mu_0 K_0}{2} = \mu_0 K_0$$

- For $z < -t/2$: - The top plane contributes:

$$B_{z,1}(z < -t/2) = +\frac{\mu_0 K_0}{2}$$

- The bottom plane contributes:

$$B_{z,2}(z < -t/2) = -\frac{\mu_0 K_0}{2}$$

- Net field:

$$B_z(z < -t/2) = B_{z,1} + B_{z,2} = 0$$

(d) Justification:

- For $z > t/2$: The contributions from the top plane ($-\mu_0 K_0/2$) and the bottom plane ($+\mu_0 K_0/2$) cancel each other out, resulting in zero net magnetic field.
- For $-t/2 < z < t/2$: Both planes contribute equally with $\mu_0 K_0/2$, so the total field is $\mu_0 K_0$.
- For $z < -t/2$: The contributions from the top plane ($+\mu_0 K_0/2$) and the bottom plane ($-\mu_0 K_0/2$) cancel out, resulting in zero net field.