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# 6.3 The Auxiliary Field H

### 6.3.1 Ampere's law in Magnetized Materials

$$\mathbf{J} = \mathbf{J}_b + \mathbf{J}_f. \qquad \mathbf{J}_b = \nabla \times \mathbf{M}$$

$$\frac{1}{\mu_0} (\nabla \times \mathbf{B}) = \mathbf{J} = \mathbf{J}_f + \mathbf{J}_b = \mathbf{J}_f + (\nabla \times \mathbf{M}) \longrightarrow \nabla \times \left(\frac{1}{\mu_0} \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{M}\right) = \mathbf{J}_f$$

$$\mathbf{H} \equiv \frac{\mathbf{B}}{\mu_0} - \mathbf{M} \left( \mathbf{A}/\mathbf{m} \right)$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{J}_f \left( \mathbf{A} / \mathbf{m}^2 \right)$$

$$\oint \mathbf{H} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = I_{f_{enc}}$$
: Ampere's law

- $\rightarrow$  where  $I_{f_{enc}}$  is the total free current passing through the Amperian loop.
- → H permits us to express Ampere's law in terms of the free current alone.

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Many authors call **H**, not **B**, the "magnetic field."

Then they have to invent a new word for **B**: the "flux density," or magnetic "induction" (an absurd choice, since that term already has at least two other meanings in electrodynamics.)

Anyway, **B** is indisputably the fundamental quantity, so I shall continue to call it the "magnetic field," as everyone does in the spoken language.

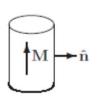
**H** has no sensible name: just call it "**H**".

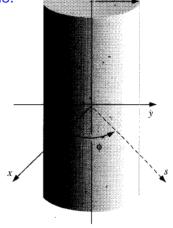
The unhappy term 'magnetic field' for H should be avoided as far as possible. It seems to us that this term has led into error none less than Maxwell himself.

## **Ampere's law in Magnetized Materials**

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{J}_f \qquad \mathbf{H} \equiv \mathbf{B} / \mu_0 - \mathbf{M}$$

**Problem 6.7** An infinitely long circular cylinder carries a uniform magnetization **M** parallel to its axis. Find the magnetic field (due to **M**) inside and outside the cylinder.



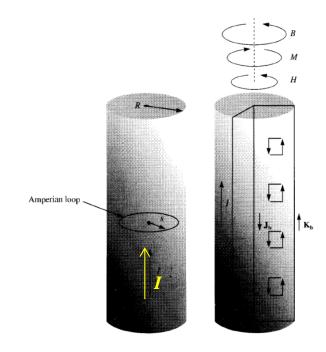


**Problem 6.8** A long circular cylinder of radius R carries a magnetization  $\mathbf{M} = ks^2\phi$ , where k is a constant, s is the distance from the axis. Find the magnetic field (due to  $\mathbf{M}$ ) inside and outside the cylinder.

# **Ampere's law in Magnetized Materials**

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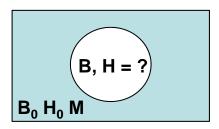
**Example 6.2** A long copper rod of radius *R* carries a uniformly distributed (free) current *I*. Find *H* inside and outside the rod.



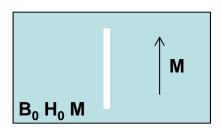
## Ampere's law in Magnetized Materials $\nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{J}_f$ $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{B} / \mu_0 - \mathbf{M}$

**Problem 6.13** Suppose the field inside a large piece of magnetic material is Bo, so that  $H_0 = (1/\mu_0)B_0 - M$ .

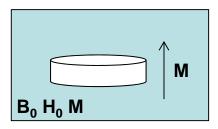
(a) Now a small spherical cavity is hollowed out of the material. Find the field at the center of the cavity, in terms of  $\mathbf{B_0}$  and  $\mathbf{M}$ . Also find  $\mathbf{H}$  at the center of the cavity, in terms of  $\mathbf{H_0}$  and  $\mathbf{M}$ .



(b) Do the same for a long needle-shaped cavity running parallel to M.



(c) Do the same for a thin wafer-shaped cavity perpendicular to M.



### **6.3.2** A Deceptive Parallel

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{J} = \mathbf{J}_f + \mathbf{J}_b \longrightarrow \mathbf{H} \equiv \mathbf{B} / \mu_0 - \mathbf{M} \longrightarrow \nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{J}_f$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \mathbf{H} + \mu_0 \mathbf{M}$$

 $\rightarrow$  It does *not* say that  $\mu_0 \mathbf{H}$  is "just like  $\mathbf{B}$ , only its source is  $\mathbf{J}_f$  instead of  $\mathbf{J}$ ."

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0 \longrightarrow \nabla \cdot \mathbf{H} = -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{M} \neq \mathbf{0}$$

- → The divergence of **H** is *not*, in general, zero.
- $\rightarrow$  Only when the divergence of M vanishes is the parallel between B and  $\mu_0$ H faithful.

When you are asked to find B or H in a problem involving magnetic materials, first look for symmetry.

If the problem exhibits cylindrical, plane, solenoidal, or toroidal symmetry, Then you can get  $\mathbf{H}$  directly from  $\nabla \mathbf{x} \mathbf{M} = \mathbf{J}_f$  by the usual Ampere's law methods. (Evidently, in such cases  $\nabla \mathbf{M}$  is automatically zero, since the free current alone determines the answer.)

If the requisite symmetry is absent, you **must not assume** that **H** is zero just because you see no free current.

# **6.3.3 Boundary conditions**

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{H} = -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{M} \qquad \longrightarrow \qquad H_{\text{above}}^{\perp} - H_{\text{below}}^{\perp} = -(M_{\text{above}}^{\perp} - M_{\text{below}}^{\perp})$$

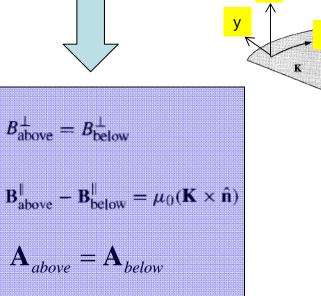
$$\nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{J}_{f} \qquad \longrightarrow \qquad H_{\text{above}}^{\parallel} - H_{\text{below}}^{\parallel} = \mathbf{K}_{f} \times \hat{\mathbf{n}}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{D}_{\text{above}}^{\parallel} - \mathbf{D}_{\text{below}}^{\parallel} &= \mathbf{P}_{\text{above}}^{\parallel} - \mathbf{P}_{\text{below}}^{\parallel} \\ D_{\text{above}}^{\perp} - D_{\text{below}}^{\perp} &= \sigma_f \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{E}_{\text{above}}^{\parallel} - \mathbf{E}_{\text{below}}^{\parallel} &= 0$$

$$\mathbf{E}_{\text{above}}^{\perp} - \mathbf{E}_{\text{below}}^{\perp} &= \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \sigma$$

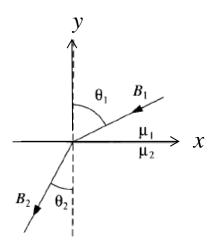
$$(\sigma = \sigma_f + \sigma_b)$$



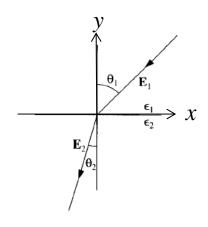
### **Boundary conditions**

**Problem 6.26** At the interface between two linear magnetic materials, the magnetic field lines bend.

Show that  $\mu_1 \tan \theta_2 = \mu_2 \tan \theta_1$  (Assume there is no free current at the boundary.)



For electric field lines



$$\mathbf{E}_{\text{above}}^{\parallel} - \mathbf{E}_{\text{below}}^{\parallel} = \mathbf{0} \longrightarrow E_{x_1} = E_{x_2}$$

$$D_{\text{above}}^{\perp} - D_{\text{below}}^{\perp} = \sigma_f = 0 \longrightarrow D_{y_1} = D_{y_2} \longrightarrow \epsilon_1 E_{y_1} = \epsilon_2 E_{y_2}$$

$$\frac{\tan \theta_2}{\tan \theta_1} = \frac{E_{x_2}/E_{y_2}}{E_{x_1}/E_{y_1}} = \frac{E_{y_1}}{E_{y_2}} = \frac{\epsilon_2}{\epsilon_1} \longrightarrow \varepsilon_1 \tan \theta_2 = \varepsilon_2 \tan \theta_1$$

# 6.4 Linear and Nonlinear Media

## 6.4.1 Magnetic Susceptibility and Permeability

For most substances the magnetization is *proportional* to the field, provided the field is not too strong.

 $\mathbf{M} = \chi_m \mathbf{H}$  : for linear media

 $\chi_m$ : magnetic susceptibility

Material	Susceptibility	Material	Susceptibility
Diamagnetic:		Paramagnetic:	
Bismuth	$-1.6 \times 10^{-4}$	Oxygen	$1.9 \times 10^{-6}$
Gold	$-3.4 \times 10^{-5}$	Sodium	$8.5 \times 10^{-6}$
Silver	$-2.4 \times 10^{-5}$	Aluminum	$2.1 \times 10^{-5}$
Copper	$-9.7 \times 10^{-6}$	Tungsten	$7.8 \times 10^{-5}$
Water	$-9.0 \times 10^{-6}$	Platinum	$2.8 \times 10^{-4}$
Carbon Dioxide	$-1.2 \times 10^{-8}$	Liquid Oxygen (-200° C)	$3.9 \times 10^{-3}$
Hydrogen	$-2.2 \times 10^{-9}$	Gadolinium	$4.8 \times 10^{-1}$

$$\mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \left( \mathbf{H} + \mathbf{M} \right) = \mu_0 \left( 1 + \chi_m \right) \mathbf{H}$$

$$\mu \equiv \mu_0 \left( 1 + \chi_m \right)$$
 : permeability

$$\mu / \mu_0 \equiv \mu_r = (1 + \chi_m)$$
 : relative permeability

$$\mathbf{B} = \mu \mathbf{H}$$

#### **Permeability**

The permeability of most materials is very close to that of free space,  $\mu_0$  For ferromagnetic materials such as iron, nickel and cobalt,  $(\mu / \mu_0) >> 1$ 

### Magnetic Materials: Diamagnets, Paramagnets, Ferromagnets

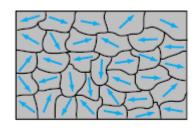
- Diamagnetic, if  $\mu_r \le 1$  magnetization opposite to B
  - $\chi_{\rm m} \sim -10^{-5}$
  - the orbital motion of the electrons
  - · Copper, germanium, silver, gold



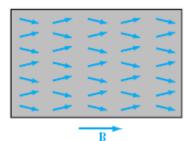
- $\chi_{\rm m} \sim 10^{-5}$
- Magnetic dipole moments of the spinning electrons
- Aluminum, magnesium, titanium and tungsten



- $\chi_{\rm m} >> 1 \ (100 \sim 100,000)$
- Magnetized domains (strong coupling forces between the magnetic dipole moments of the atoms
- Nickel, cobalt, iron (pure), mumetal



(a) Unmagnetized domains



(b) Magnetized domains

# **Analogous Relation**

• Electrostatics and Magnetostatics

Electrostatics	Magnetostatics
Е	В
D	Н
3	1/μ
Р	- M
ρ	J
V	A
•	×
×	•

### Magnetic Susceptibility and Permeability in linear media

#### Example 6.3

An infinite solenoid (n turns per unit length, current I) is filled with linear material of susceptibility  $\chi_m$ . Find the magnetic field inside the solenoid and the bound current.

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{J}_f + \mathbf{J}_b$$
  $\rightarrow$  We cannot compute it directly due to  $\mathbf{J_b}$ .

 $\rightarrow$  This is one of those symmetrical cases in which we can get H from  $J_f$  alone.

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{J}_f \rightarrow \oint \mathbf{H} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = I_{f_{enc}}$$

### Magnetic Susceptibility and Permeability in linear media

**Problem 6.17** A current *I* flows down a long straight wire of radius *a*.

If the wire is made of linear material with susceptibility  $\chi_m$  and the current is distributed uniformly, what is the magnetic field a distance s from the axis?

 $\chi_m$ 

Find all the bound currents.

What is the *net* bound current flowing down the wire?

The magnetic field:

The bound currents:

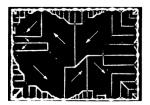
The net bound current:

# **6.4.2 Ferromagnetism**

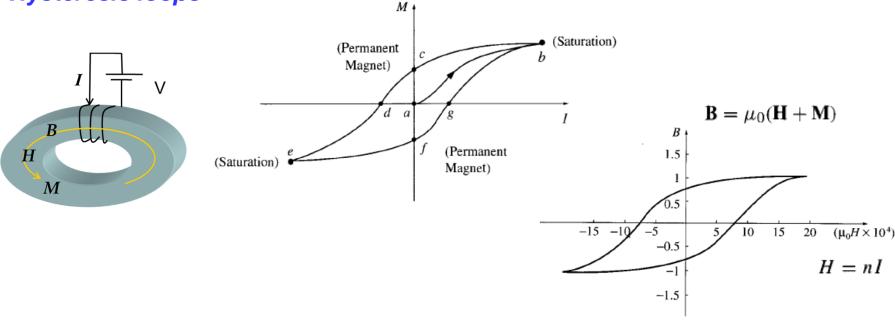
Ferromagnets require no external fields to sustain the magnetization; the alignment is "frozen in."

Like paramagnetism, ferromagnetism involves the magnetic dipoles associated with the spins of unpaired electrons.

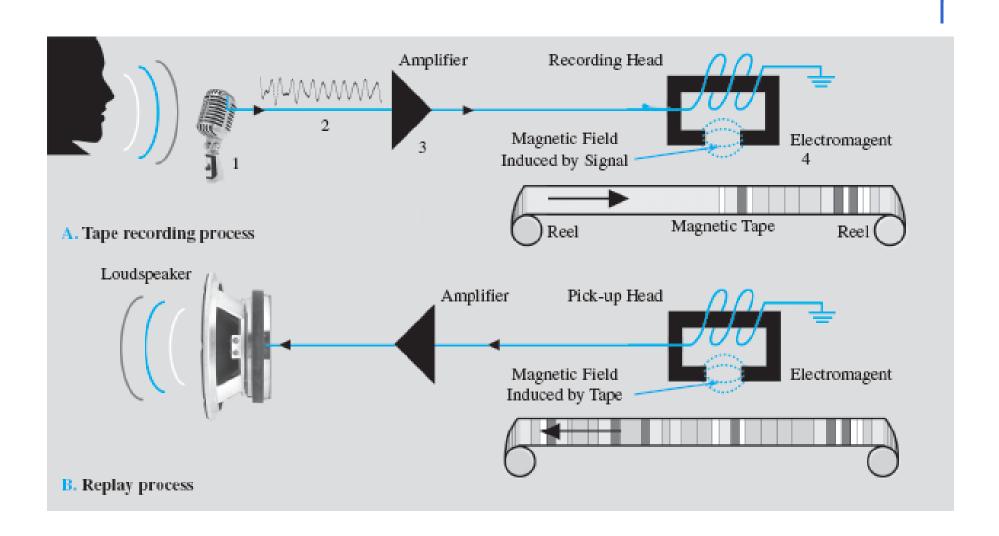
- → Each dipole "likes" to point in the same direction as its neighbors.
- → It would look something with all the spins pointing the same way.
- → the alignment occurs in relatively small patches, called **domains**.
- → but the domains *themselves* are randomly oriented.



#### Hysteresis loops



# **Magnetic recording**

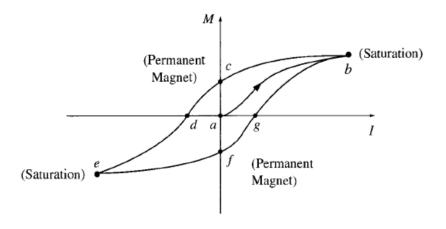


# Ferromagnetic materials

Curie temperature (Curie Point): Demagnetization temperature (100 ~ 770°C)

- → Very high temperatures do destroy the alignment.
- → What is surprising is that this occurs at a precise temperature (770°C, for iron).
- → These abrupt changes in the properties of a substance, occurring at sharply defined temperatures, are known in statistical mechanics as **phase transitions**.

**Problem 6.20** How would you go about demagnetizing a permanent magnet (at point c in the hysteresis loop)? That is, how could you restore it to its original state, with M = 0 at I = 0?



## Parallelism between (E, D) and (B, H)

#### **Problem 6.23** Notice the following parallel:

$$\begin{cases} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} = 0, & \nabla \times \mathbf{E} = 0, & \epsilon_0 \mathbf{E} = \mathbf{D} - \mathbf{P}, \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0, & \nabla \times \mathbf{H} = 0, & \mu_0 \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{B} - \mu_0 \mathbf{M}, & \text{(no free charge)}; \\ \mathbf{D} \to \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{E} \to \mathbf{H}, \mathbf{P} \to \mu_0 \mathbf{M}, \epsilon_0 \to \mu_0 \end{cases}$$

: Use these relations to turn an electrostatic problem into an analogous magnetostatic one.

#### (a) the magnetic field inside a uniformly magnetized sphere

The electric field inside a uniformly polarized sphere,

$$\mathbf{E} = -\frac{1}{3\epsilon_0}\mathbf{P}$$

#### (b) the magnetic field inside a sphere of linear magnetic material in an otherwise uniform magnetic field

The electric field inside a sphere of linear dielectric in an otherwise uniform electric field is

$$\mathbf{E} = \frac{1}{1 + \chi_e/3} \mathbf{E}_0$$