

1. The magnetic vector potential due to a surface current distribution  $\mathbf{K}(\mathbf{r}')$  at any point  $\mathbf{r}$  is given by,

$$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{\mathbf{K}(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} da'$$

Now consider a thin spherical shell of radius  $R$  with center at the origin, carrying a surface charge density  $\sigma$  and rotating with angular velocity  $\omega \hat{z}$ . Find the vector potential everywhere using the above expression.

$$\vec{K} = \sigma \omega R \sin \theta' \hat{\phi}'$$

$$\vec{A}(\vec{r}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{\sigma \omega R \sin \theta' \hat{\phi}'}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} da', \quad \vec{r}' = \vec{r}'(\theta, \phi), |\vec{r}'| = R$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0 \sigma \omega R}{4\pi} \int \frac{\sin \theta' (-\sin \phi' \hat{x} + \cos \phi' \hat{y})}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} da'$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0 \sigma \omega R}{4\pi} \left[ - \int \frac{\sin \theta' \sin \phi'}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} da' \hat{x} + \int \frac{\sin \theta' \cos \phi'}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} da' \hat{y} \right]$$

Let us evaluate the ~~first~~ integrals using our knowledge of electrostatics.

Consider the case of a uniformly polarized sphere of polarization  $P$  along  $x$  direction  $\Rightarrow \vec{P} = P \hat{x}$

$$\rho_b = -\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{P} = 0, \quad \sigma_b = \vec{P} \cdot \hat{n} = \vec{P} \cdot \hat{r} = P \hat{x} \cdot \hat{r} = P \sin \theta \cos \phi$$

Note that the surface charge distribution has  $(\theta, \phi)$  dependence similar to the numerator in the second integral.

The scalar potential  $V$  is given by,

$$V(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \frac{\sigma_b(\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} da'$$

$$= \frac{P}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \frac{\sin \theta' \cos \phi'}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} da'$$

Again, outside the sphere, the electrostatic potential is equal to that of the dipole moment  $\vec{p} = \frac{4\pi}{3} R^3 \vec{P}$

$$V(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\vec{P} \cdot \vec{r}}{r^3} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{4\pi}{3} R^3 \frac{\vec{P} \cdot \vec{r}}{r^3} = \frac{1}{3\epsilon_0} R^3 \frac{P \sin \theta \cos \phi}{r^2}$$

Comparing,  $\boxed{\int \frac{\sin \theta' \cos \phi'}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} da' = \frac{4\pi}{3} \frac{R^3}{r^2} \sin \theta \cos \phi}$  for  $r \geq R$

Inside the sphere, the electric field is given by  $\vec{E} = -\frac{\vec{P}}{3\epsilon_0} = -\frac{P}{3\epsilon_0} \hat{x}$

$$\Rightarrow V(\vec{r}) = \frac{Px}{3\epsilon_0} + \text{const} = \frac{P}{3\epsilon_0} r \sin \theta \cos \phi + \text{const.}$$

Comparing,  $\boxed{\int \frac{\sin \theta' \cos \phi'}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} da' = \frac{4\pi}{3} r \sin \theta \cos \phi}$  for  $r \leq R$

Similarly, the other integral can be evaluated by considering a uniformly polarized sphere in the  $y$  direction,

Finally, we have,

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{A}(\vec{r}) &= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \sigma \omega R \cdot \frac{4\pi}{3} \frac{R^3}{r^2} (-\sin\theta \sin\phi \hat{x} + \sin\theta \cos\phi \hat{y}) \\ &= \frac{\mu_0 \sigma \omega R}{3} \frac{R^3}{r^2} \sin\theta \hat{\phi} \quad \text{for } r > R\end{aligned}$$

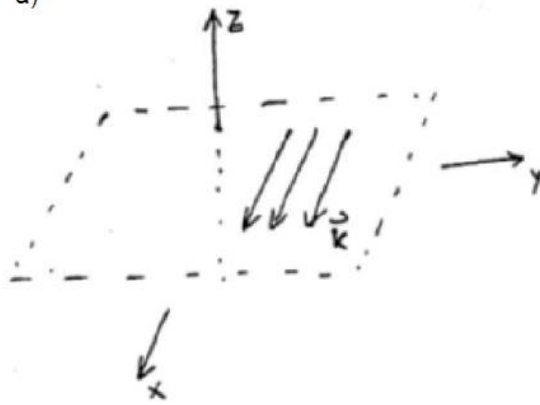
And,

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{A}(\vec{r}) &= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \sigma \omega R \frac{4\pi}{3} r (-\sin\theta \sin\phi \hat{x} + \sin\theta \cos\phi \hat{y}) \\ &= \frac{\mu_0 \sigma \omega R}{3} r \sin\theta \hat{\phi} \quad \text{for } r \leq R\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{B} = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A} &\Rightarrow \vec{B}(\vec{r}) = \frac{\mu_0 \sigma \omega R^4}{3r^3} (2\cos\theta \hat{r} + \sin\theta \hat{\theta}) \quad r > R \\ &= \frac{2}{3} \mu_0 \sigma \omega R \quad r \leq R\end{aligned}$$

2. (a) Find the magnetic vector potential everywhere for an infinite sheet with a uniform surface current  $K\hat{x}$  using the relation  $\oint \vec{A} \cdot d\vec{l} = \Phi$ .
- (b) Find the vector potential everywhere for a long conducting wire of radius  $R$  carrying uniform current  $I$  along its axis using electrostatic analogy.

a)



Using Ampere's law, we have,

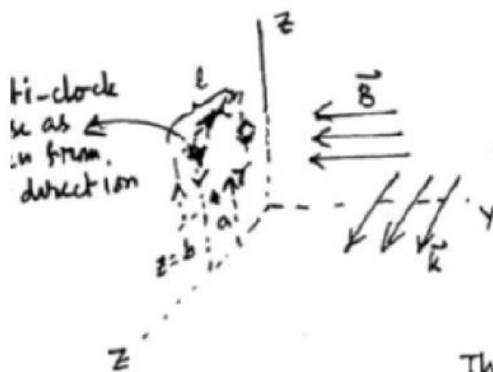
$$\vec{B} = -\frac{\mu_0 K}{2} \hat{y} \quad z > 0$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0 K}{2} \hat{y} \quad z < 0$$

Now use  $\oint \vec{A} \cdot d\vec{l} = \int_S \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{a} = \Phi$

$\downarrow$  line integral around a loop       $\downarrow$  surface integral over the area enclosed by the loop

For  $z > 0$ , take the loop in the  $xz$  plane with



$$\int_S \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{a} = -\frac{1}{2} \mu_0 K (b-a) l$$

$$\text{and } \oint \vec{A} \cdot d\vec{l} = [A_x(b) - A_x(a)] l$$

By comparing one can guess,

$$\boxed{\vec{A} = -\frac{\mu_0 K}{2} z \hat{x}} \quad , z > 0$$

This is a correct guess, as  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A} = 0$ ,

and  $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A} = -\frac{\mu_0 K}{2} \hat{y}$  as should be for  $z > 0$

similarly for  $z < 0$ ,  $\vec{A} = \frac{\mu_0 K}{2} z \hat{x}$

b)

outside  $r > R$ , consider the electrostatic case, uniformly charged cylinder

$$\vec{E} = \frac{\rho R^2}{2\epsilon_0 r} \hat{r}$$

$$V(r) - V(R) = - \int_R^r E dr = - \frac{\rho R^2}{2\epsilon_0} \int_R^r \frac{dr}{r} = - \frac{\rho R^2}{2\epsilon_0} \ln \frac{r}{R}$$

soln of  $\nabla^2 V = -\frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$ ,  $V(r) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \frac{\rho(r')}{r} d\tau'$

"  $\nabla^2 \vec{A} = -\mu_0 \vec{J}$ ,  $\vec{A}(r) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{\vec{J}(r')}{r} d\tau'$

since  $V(r) \approx -\frac{\rho R^2}{2\epsilon_0} \ln \frac{r}{R}$ ,  $\vec{A}(r)$  will have same functional form with  $\rho/\epsilon_0$  replaced by  $\mu_0 \vec{J}$

$$\vec{A} = -\frac{\mu_0 J R^2}{2} \ln \frac{r}{R} \hat{z}$$

Inside the cylinder  $r < R$ ,  $\vec{E}_{in} = \frac{\rho r}{2\epsilon_0}$  for the electrostatic case

$$V(r) = - \int_R^r E dr = - \int_R^r \frac{\rho r}{2\epsilon_0} dr = \frac{\rho}{2\epsilon_0} \frac{R^2 - r^2}{2}$$

$$V(r) = -\frac{\rho}{2\epsilon_0} \frac{r^2}{2}$$

Hence,  $\vec{A} = -\frac{\mu_0 J_0}{4} r^2 \hat{z}$

In summary,

$$\vec{A} = \begin{cases} -\frac{\mu_0 J}{4} r^2 \hat{z} & r < R \\ -\frac{\mu_0 J R^2}{4} \left( \frac{1}{2} + 2 \ln \frac{r}{R} \right) \hat{z} & r > R \end{cases}$$

→ extra constant term to make  $\vec{A}$  continuous at  $r=R$

3. The magnetic dipole moment of a volume current distribution, as discussed in the lecture, is given by,

$$\mathbf{m} = \frac{1}{2} \int \mathbf{r}' \times \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{r}') d\tau'$$

Using the above expression find the magnetic dipole moment of a spherical shell of radius  $R$ , carrying a surface charge density  $\sigma$  and rotating with angular velocity  $\omega \hat{z}$ .

$$\vec{K} = \sigma \omega R \sin \theta \hat{\phi} \Rightarrow \omega \sigma r' \sin \theta' \delta(r' - R) \hat{\phi}' = \vec{J}(\vec{r}')$$

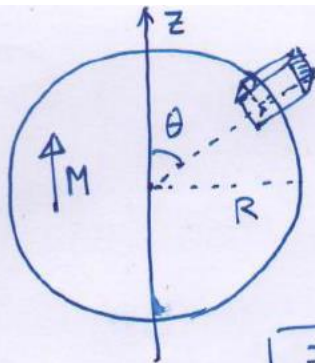
$$\begin{aligned} \vec{m} &= \frac{1}{2} \int \vec{r}' \times \vec{J}(\vec{r}') d\tau' \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int r' (\sigma \omega r' \sin \theta') \delta(r' - R) (\hat{r}' \times \hat{\phi}') d\tau' \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sigma \omega \int r'^2 \sin \theta' \delta(r' - R) (-\hat{\theta}) r'^2 \sin \theta' d\theta' d\phi' dr' \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sigma \omega R^4 \int_{\theta=0}^{\pi} \int_{\phi=0}^{2\pi} \sin^2 \theta' d\theta' (\sin \theta' \hat{z} - \cos \theta' \cos \phi' \hat{x} - \cos \theta' \sin \phi' \hat{y}) d\phi' \end{aligned}$$

Noting,  $\int_0^{2\pi} \sin \phi d\phi = \int_0^{2\pi} \cos \phi d\phi = 0$ , we finally have,

$$\boxed{\vec{m} = \frac{4\pi}{3} \sigma \omega R^4 \hat{z}} \Rightarrow \text{Magnetization } \vec{M} = \sigma \omega R \hat{z}$$



4. Consider a sphere of radius  $R$ , having frozen-in uniform magnetization  $M$  pointing towards the north pole. Find the 'auxiliary  $H$ ' field inside the sphere using electrostatic analogy. Find the ' $B$ ' field inside the sphere.



$$\begin{aligned} \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{H} &= -\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{M} \\ \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{H} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{M} d\tau &= \oint \vec{M} \cdot d\vec{a} \\ \text{As } l \rightarrow 0, \\ \oint \vec{M} \cdot d\vec{a} &= -M \cos \theta A \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Again, } \int_{R-l}^{R+l} \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{M} d\tau = \int_{R-l}^{R+l} (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{M}) A dr$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{R-l}^{R+l} (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{M}) dr = -M \cos \theta \quad \text{even as } l \rightarrow 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{M} = -M \cos \theta \delta(r-R)$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{H} = M \cos \theta \delta(r-R)} \quad \text{with } \vec{H} \text{ pointing up}$$

Repeat the same procedure for the bottom half of the sphere  $\Rightarrow \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{H} = -M \cos \theta \delta(r-R)$

Positive 'surface charge' on the top half and negative 'surface charge' on the bottom half.

Recall the problem of uniformly polarized sphere, (along  $\hat{z}$ ) where the surface charge is  $\rho \cos \theta$  and the electric field inside the sphere is  $-\frac{1}{3\epsilon_0} \vec{P} \hat{z}$

Here the  $H$  field inside the sphere will be  $\vec{H} = -\frac{M}{3} \hat{z}$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{B} = \mu_0 (\vec{H} + \vec{M}) = \frac{2}{3} \mu_0 \vec{M}, \text{ inside the sphere}$$