

Magnetostatics

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magnetic moment

The magnitude of the flux density can be defined by the mechanical torque \mathbf{N} exerted on the magnetic dipole:

$$\mathbf{N} = \boldsymbol{\mu} \times \mathbf{B} \quad (1)$$

where $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ is the magnetic moment of the dipole.

0.1 Biot and Savart Law

If $d\mathbf{l}$ is an element of length (pointing in the direction of current flow) of a filamentary wire that carries a current \mathbf{I} and \mathbf{x} is the coordinate vector from the element of length to an observation point P, then the elemental flux density $d\mathbf{B}$ at the point P is given in magnitude and direction by

$$d\mathbf{B} = kI \frac{(d\mathbf{l} \times \mathbf{x})}{|\mathbf{x}|^3} \quad (2)$$