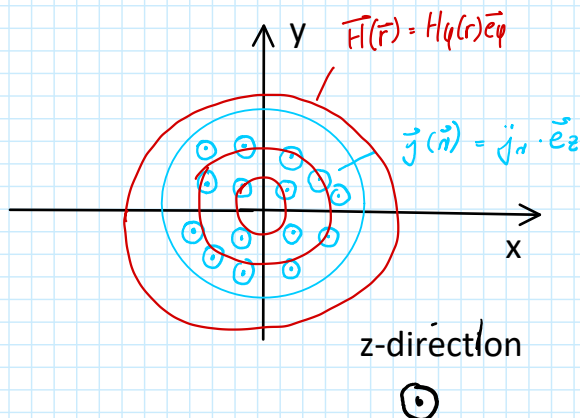


3.6.3 Magnetic field generated by cylindrically symmetric current distribution



➤ Current distribution $\vec{j}(\vec{r})$ in z -direction

$$\vec{j}(\vec{r}) = j(r) \cdot \vec{e}_z$$

➤ j varies over radius, but is radial-symmetric: $|\vec{j}| = j(r)$

➤ \Rightarrow use cylindric coordinates $\vec{e}_r, \vec{e}_\phi, \vec{e}_z$

* $\vec{H}(\vec{r})$ is cylindric symmetric as well

$$\vec{H}(\vec{r}) = H_\phi(r) \cdot \vec{e}_\phi$$

* Ampere's law: $\oint_{\partial A(r)} \vec{H} d\vec{r} = I(A(r)) = \int_{A(r)} \vec{j}(\vec{r}) \cdot d\vec{a}$

$$d\vec{r} = r d\phi \vec{e}_\phi \quad d\vec{a} = r dr d\phi \vec{e}_z$$

$$\int_0^{2\pi} H_\phi(r) \vec{e}_\phi \cdot r d\phi \vec{e}_\phi = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^r j(r') \vec{e}_z \cdot r' dr' d\phi \cdot \vec{e}_z$$

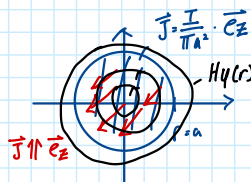
$$2\pi r H_\phi(r) = 2\pi \int_0^r j(r') \cdot r' dr'$$

$$H_\phi(r) = \frac{1}{r} \int_0^r j(r') \cdot r' dr'$$

$$\vec{H}(\vec{r}) = H_\phi(r) \cdot \vec{e}_\phi = \frac{1}{r} \int_0^r j(r') \cdot r' dr' \quad (3.30)$$

Example:

$$\vec{j}(\vec{r}) = \begin{cases} \frac{I}{\pi a^2} \cdot \vec{e}_z & \text{for } 0 \leq r \leq a \\ 0 & \text{for } r > a \end{cases}$$



Ampere's Law:

$$\oint_{\partial A} \vec{H} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_{A(r)} \vec{j} \cdot d\vec{a} = I(A(r))$$

Cylindric symmetric \vec{j}



\vec{H} field Cylindric Symmetric

\Rightarrow Circles around z -axis

$$\int_{A(r)} \vec{j} \cdot d\vec{a} : \text{inside wire } (0 \leq r \leq a)$$

$$\int_{A(r)} \frac{I}{\pi a^2} \cdot \vec{e}_z \cdot \underbrace{r dr d\phi \cdot \vec{e}_z}_{d\vec{a}} = \int_0^r \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{I}{\pi a^2} r' dr' d\phi$$

$$= \frac{2\pi}{\pi a^2} I \int_0^r r' dr'$$

$$= \frac{2}{a^2} I \left[\frac{1}{2} r'^2 \right]_0^r = \frac{2}{a^2} I \left(\frac{1}{2} r^2 - 0 \right)$$

$$\int_{A(r)} \vec{j} \cdot d\vec{a} = \frac{I r^2}{a^2}$$

Outside wire: $r \geq a$

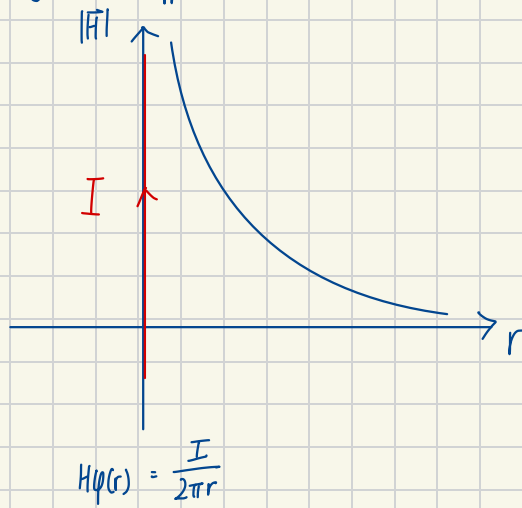
$$\int_{A(r)} \vec{j} \cdot d\vec{a} = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^a \vec{j}(r') r' dr' d\phi + \int_0^{2\pi} \int_a^r 0 \cdot r' dr' d\phi$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{I a^2}{a^2} = I \quad (r=a)$$

Ampere's law: $2\pi r H_\phi(r) = \begin{cases} \frac{I r^2}{a^2} & \text{for } 0 \leq r \leq a \\ I & \text{for } r > a \end{cases}$

$$H_\phi(r) = \begin{cases} \frac{I r}{2\pi a^2} & \text{for } 0 \leq r \leq a \\ \frac{I}{2\pi r} & \text{for } r > a \end{cases}$$

for long, thin wire
(radius is approx. zero)



$$\vec{J} = J(r) \vec{e}_z = \frac{I}{\pi a^2}$$

