

## Homework 9: Phys 7310 (Fall 2021)

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**Problem 9.1** (Hard ferromagnetic cylinder): A magnetically “hard” material is in the shape of a right circular cylinder of length  $L$  and radius  $a$ . The cylinder has a permanent magnetization  $M_0$ , uniform throughout its volume and parallel to its axis. Determine the magnetic field  $\mathbf{H}$  and magnetic induction  $\mathbf{B}$  at all points on the axis of the cylinder, both inside and outside. Use the magnetic scalar potential  $\Phi_M$ . In addition, find  $H_z$  and  $B_z$  at  $z \sim 0$  where 0 is the vertical middle of the cylinder, for the limits  $a \ll L$  and  $a \gg L$ .

*Solution.*

From (5.100, Jackson),

$$\Phi_M(z) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \oint_S \frac{\hat{\mathbf{n}}' \cdot \mathbf{M}(\mathbf{x}') da'}{|z\hat{\mathbf{z}} - \mathbf{x}'|} \quad (9.1.1)$$

because  $\nabla' \cdot \mathbf{M} = 0$  inside the cylinder. The surface integral is only non-trivial on the caps  $S_{\pm}$  at  $z = \pm L/2$  because  $\hat{\mathbf{n}}' = \pm \hat{\mathbf{z}}$ . We can then evaluate for  $\Phi_M$

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_M(z) &= \frac{M_0}{4\pi} \left[ \int_0^a \frac{\rho' d\rho'}{\sqrt{\rho'^2 + (z - L/2)^2}} - \int_0^a \frac{\rho' d\rho'}{\sqrt{\rho'^2 + (z + L/2)^2}} \right] \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \\ &= \frac{M_0}{2} \left[ \sqrt{\rho^2 + (z - L/2)^2} - \sqrt{\rho^2 + (z + L/2)^2} \right] \Big|_0^a \\ &= \frac{M_0}{2} \left[ \sqrt{a^2 + \left(z - \frac{L}{2}\right)^2} - \sqrt{a^2 + \left(z + \frac{L}{2}\right)^2} + \left|z + \frac{L}{2}\right| - \left|z - \frac{L}{2}\right| \right] \end{aligned} \quad (9.1.2)$$

Thus, the magnetic field  $H_z$  is

$$H_z = -\frac{\partial \Phi_m}{\partial z} = -\frac{M_0}{2} \left[ \frac{z - L/2}{\sqrt{a^2 + (z - L/2)^2}} - \frac{z + L/2}{\sqrt{a^2 + (z + L/2)^2}} + \frac{z + L/2}{|z + L/2|} - \frac{z - L/2}{|z - L/2|} \right] \quad (9.1.3)$$

everywhere along the axis. The magnetic induction inside is

$$\begin{aligned}
B_{|z| \leq L/2} &= \mu_0 H_z + \mu_0 M_0 \\
&= -\frac{\mu_0 M_0}{2} \left[ \frac{z - L/2}{\sqrt{a^2 + (z - L/2)^2}} - \frac{z + L/2}{\sqrt{a^2 + (z + L/2)^2}} + 2 \right] + \mu_0 M_0 \\
&= -\frac{\mu_0 M_0}{2} \left[ \frac{z - L/2}{\sqrt{a^2 + (z - L/2)^2}} - \frac{z + L/2}{\sqrt{a^2 + (z + L/2)^2}} \right]
\end{aligned} \tag{9.1.4}$$

and the magnetic induction outside is

$$\begin{aligned}
B_{|z| > L/2} &= \mu_0 H_z \\
&= -\frac{\mu_0 M_0}{2} \left[ \frac{z - L/2}{\sqrt{a^2 + (z - L/2)^2}} - \frac{z + L/2}{\sqrt{a^2 + (z + L/2)^2}} \right]
\end{aligned} \tag{9.1.5}$$

So the magnetic induction also has the same form everywhere along  $z$ .

From (9.1.3) and (9.1.5), at  $z = 0$ , the magnetic field and magnetic induction are

$$B_z = \mu_0 M_0 \frac{L}{\sqrt{4a^2 + L^2}} \tag{9.1.6a}$$

$$H_z = M_0 \left[ \frac{L}{\sqrt{4a^2 + L^2}} - 1 \right] \tag{9.1.6b}$$

Then for  $a \ll L$ ,

$$B_z = \mu_0 M_0 \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + 4(a/L)^2}} \approx \mu_0 M_0 \left[ 1 - 2 \frac{a^2}{L^2} \right] \tag{9.1.7a}$$

$$H_z = M_0 \left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + 4(a/L)^2}} - 1 \right] \approx -2M_0 \frac{a^2}{L^2} \tag{9.1.7b}$$

Similarly, for  $L \ll a$ ,

$$B_z = \mu_0 M_0 \frac{L/a}{\sqrt{4 + (L/a)^2}} \approx \frac{\mu_0 M_0}{2} \frac{L}{a} \tag{9.1.8a}$$

$$H_z = M_0 \left[ \frac{L/a}{\sqrt{4 + (L/a)^2}} - 1 \right] \approx -M_0 \left[ 1 - \frac{L}{2a} \right] \tag{9.1.8b}$$

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**Problem 9.2** (Self-inductance): A circuit consists of a long thin conducting shell of radius  $a$  and a parallel return wire of radius  $b$  on axis inside. If the current is assumed distributed uniformly throughout the cross section of the wire, calculate the self-inductance per unit length. What is the self-inductance if the inner conductor is a thin hollow tube?

*Solution.*

Draw an Amperian circular loop perpendicular to the axis of the wire with a radius  $r < b$ . Then the enclosed current is

$$I_{\text{enc}} = \oint_S \mathbf{J} \cdot d\mathbf{a} = 4\pi r^2 J = I \frac{r^2}{b^2} \quad (9.2.1)$$

where  $I$  is the total current running through the wire. Then by Ampere's Law, the magnetic field is

$$\mathbf{H}_{r < b} = \frac{I_{\text{enc}}}{2\pi r} \hat{\phi} = \frac{I}{2\pi b} \frac{r}{b} \hat{\phi} \quad (9.2.2)$$

The magnetic induction is thus

$$\mathbf{B}_{r < b} = \mu \mathbf{H} = \frac{\mu I}{2\pi b} \frac{r}{b} \hat{\phi} \quad (9.2.3)$$

For  $b \leq r \leq a$ , the enclosed current is  $I$  and

$$\mathbf{H}_{b \leq r \leq a} = \frac{I}{2\pi r} \hat{\phi} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{B}_{b \leq r \leq a} = \frac{\mu I}{2\pi r} \hat{\phi} \quad (9.2.4)$$

By definition, the self-inductance is

$$L = \frac{1}{I^2} \int \frac{B^2}{\mu} d^3x = \frac{\mu}{2\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{b^2} \int_0^b r dr + \int_b^a \frac{dr}{r} \right] = \frac{\mu}{2\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{2} + \ln \frac{a}{b} \right] \quad (9.2.5)$$

If the wire is hollow, then there is no magnetic field inside the wire and the self-inductance is just

$$L_{\text{hollow}} = \frac{\mu}{2\pi} \ln \frac{a}{b} \quad (9.2.6)$$

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