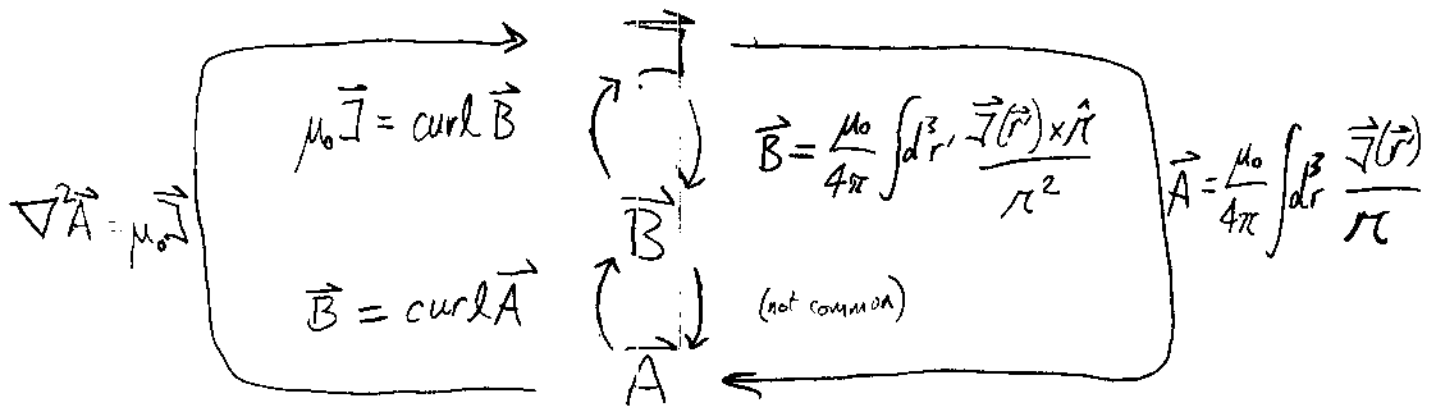
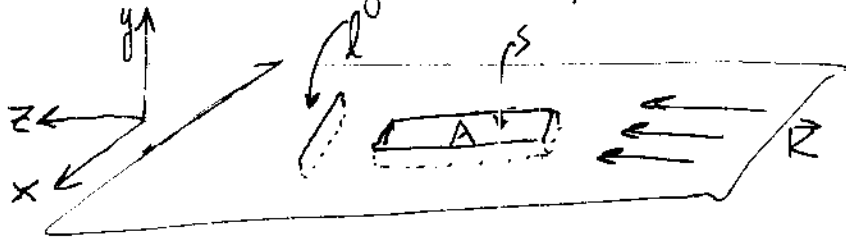


Summary of fields, currents, potentials and their relations:

↑ derivatives ↓ integrals



More on boundary value problems: consider surface current.

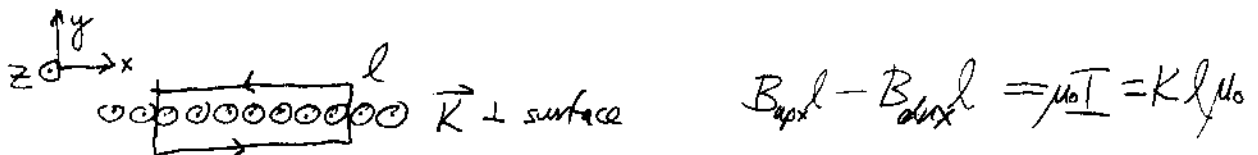


\vec{E}_\perp discontinuous at surface charge. Check B_\perp at current:
Gaussian surface above:

$$\oint_S \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{A} = (B_{y \text{ up}} - B_{y \text{ dn}}) A = 0$$

$\Rightarrow B_z$ is continuous at the surface current.

What about B_\parallel ? Amperian loop l :



If orient loop so surface $\parallel \vec{K}$, then $I=0$, so
 $B_{y \text{ up}} l - B_{y \text{ dn}} l = I = 0$.

Only component with discontinuity is therefore B_x , which is in the $\vec{K} \times \hat{n}$ direction. In general, at a surface current:

$$\vec{B}_{\text{up}} - \vec{B}_{\text{dn}} = \mu_0 \vec{K} \times \hat{n}. \quad (\text{where "up"} \equiv \hat{n})$$

Now, look at boundary conditions on \vec{A} :

$\nabla^2 \vec{A} = \mu_0 \vec{J}$ so, in analogy with $\nabla^2 V = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$ we can say that \vec{A} is continuous across a surface current:

$$\vec{A}_{\text{up}} = \vec{A}_{\text{dn}}$$

Also, there is an analogous derivative boundary condition:

$$\frac{\partial \vec{A}_{\text{up}}}{\partial n} - \frac{\partial \vec{A}_{\text{dn}}}{\partial n} = -\mu_0 \vec{K}$$

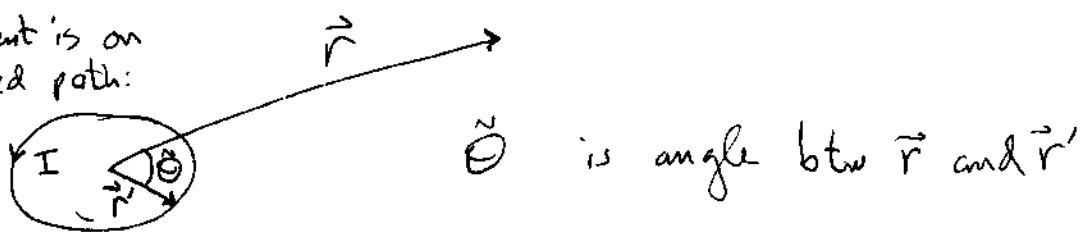
Note that boundary value problems in \vec{A} are not as useful as in electrostatic V . Why? Poisson/Laplace equations still apply, but the physical problems that can be attacked are fewer: there's no convenient equivalent to a conductor (an equipotential surface), so rarely do we set up a problem where, say, " $\vec{A} = \vec{A}_0$ " on a surface. Generally only have the derivative boundary conditions to work with.

Multipoles in magnetostatics: Since \vec{A} obeys Laplace equation in regions with no current, then we can use same types of expansions/sep of variables techniques to describe \vec{A} as \vec{V} at large distances.

Key difference: monopole moment is always zero!

Use same expansion for $\frac{1}{r}$: $\frac{1}{r} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{r^2 + r'^2 - 2rr'\cos\tilde{\theta}}}$

where: current is on a single closed path:



$$\frac{1}{r} = \frac{1}{r} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{r'}{r}\right)^n P_n(\cos\tilde{\theta})$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{A}(\vec{r}) = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \oint \frac{1}{r} d\vec{l}' = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} r^{-(n+1)} \oint d\vec{l}' r'^n P_n(\cos\tilde{\theta})$$

Lowest term is dipole:

$$\vec{A}_{dip} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi r^2} \oint d\vec{l}' r' \cos\tilde{\theta}$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi r^2} \oint (\hat{r} \cdot \vec{r}') d\vec{l}' =$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{\vec{m} \times \hat{r}}{r^2} \quad \text{where } \vec{m} = I \int d\vec{A} = I \vec{A} \quad \text{"vector area" of current loop}$$

\vec{m} = "magnetic dipole moment"