

MAGNETOSTATICS

- Moving charges \rightarrow currents (Units: A).
- Currents are sources of **magnetic field**.

Magnetostatics: No variation of currents with time; no free charges; no electric field.
Maxwell's equations:

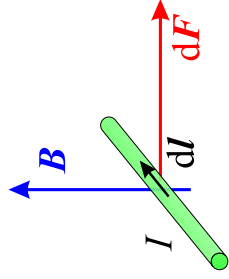
$$(M3) \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$$

$$(M4) \quad \nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{J}_{\text{free}}$$

\Rightarrow

- M3 is simpler than M1 in electrostatics.
- M4 is more complicated than M2 — **vector** equation.

Starting point: 1820's Ampère, Oersted, Biot, Savart.
Force between currents: due to magnetic fields.



- Force on elementary current element $I d\mathbf{l}$

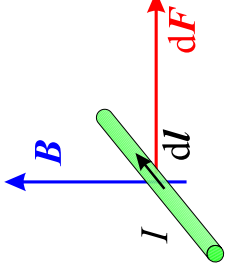
$$d\mathbf{F} = I d\mathbf{l} \times \mathbf{B}$$

\mathbf{B} is the **magnetic flux density** (units: T).

MAGNETOSTATICS II

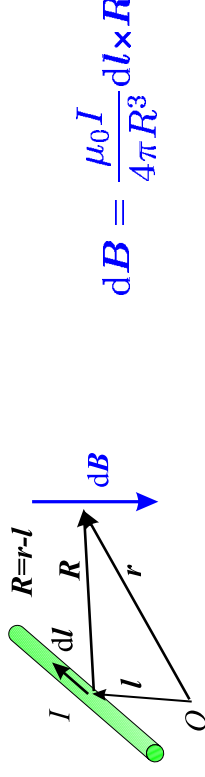
$$d\mathbf{F} = I d\mathbf{l} \times \mathbf{B}$$

- N.B. consistent with the Lorentz force on a moving charge.



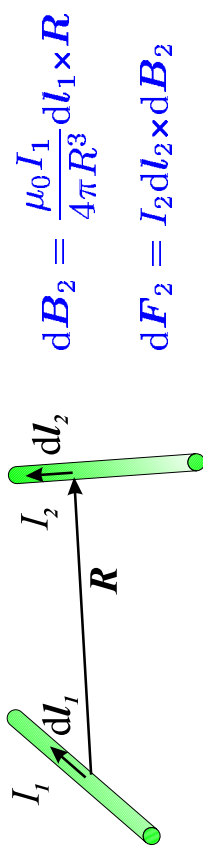
- Put $I d\mathbf{l} = \left(\frac{dq}{dt} \right) v dt = dq \mathbf{v} \Rightarrow d\mathbf{F} = dq \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}$

- Magnetic field due to current element $I d\mathbf{l}$ is given by the Biot-Savart law: $(\mathbf{R} \equiv \mathbf{r} - \mathbf{l})$



$$d\mathbf{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi R^3} d\mathbf{l} \times \mathbf{R}$$

- Force between two current elements



$$d\mathbf{B}_2 = \frac{\mu_0 I_1}{4\pi R^3} d\mathbf{l}_1 \times \mathbf{R}$$

$$d\mathbf{F}_2 = I_2 d\mathbf{l}_2 \times d\mathbf{B}_2$$

$$\Rightarrow d\mathbf{F}_2 = \frac{\mu_0 I_1 I_2}{4\pi R^3} d\mathbf{l}_2 \times (d\mathbf{l}_1 \times \mathbf{R})$$

FORCE BETWEEN CURRENTS

- The force between two parallel wires is used as the fundamental definition of the unit of current (and hence charge).
- The Ampère is the current which, when flowing in each of two parallel, straight conductors, of infinite length and negligible cross-section, placed 1 m apart in vacuum, produces a force of $2 \times 10^{-7} \text{ N m}^{-1}$ per unit length.
- (We shall see that this result is consistent with the formula for the force between current elements.)
- It follows that μ_0 is thereby **defined** to be

$$\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ H m}^{-1}$$

GAUSS' THEOREM FOR MAGNETIC FIELD

- There are NO sources of the \mathbf{B} field (magnetic monopoles; equivalent to magnetic charges).
- The \mathbf{B} field is always caused by electric currents.
- Field lines of \mathbf{B} must form closed loops.
- As many field lines of \mathbf{B} leave any closed surface as enter

$$\Rightarrow \oint d\mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$$

Aside

- Any field generated by the Biot-Savart law is divergence-free.

$$d\mathbf{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \frac{d\mathbf{l} \times \mathbf{R}}{R^3} \quad (\mathbf{R} \equiv \mathbf{r} - \mathbf{l})$$

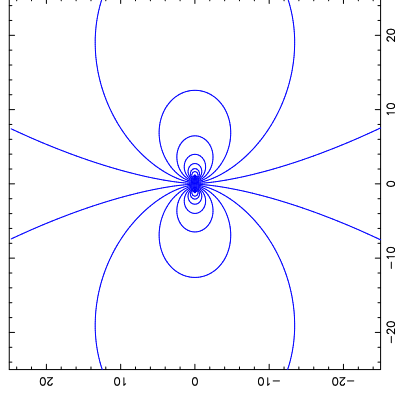
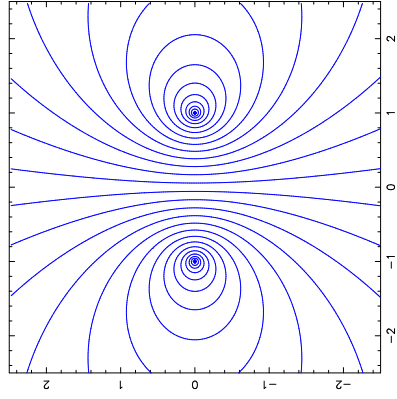
But $\nabla(1/R) = -\mathbf{R}/R^3$, (Can you prove this?)

$$\Rightarrow d\mathbf{B} = -\frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} d\mathbf{l} \times \nabla \left(\frac{1}{R} \right) = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \nabla \times \left(\frac{d\mathbf{l}}{R} \right)$$

- Hence $\nabla \cdot d\mathbf{B} = 0$ (divergence of a curl).

CURRENT LOOPS AND MAGNETIC DIPOLES

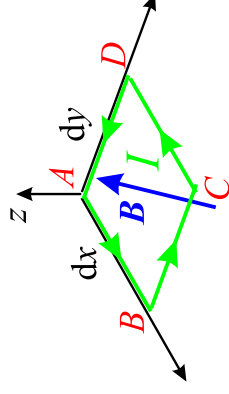
- There are no magnetic charges (magnetic monopoles). The simplest magnetic sources are dipoles.



- Figure shows field lines of \mathbf{B} due to a circular current loop. (The solution is expressible in terms of the complete elliptic integral.)
- At large distance the field lines are the same as those of a dipole.
- \Rightarrow Magnetic dipoles correspond to small current loops.

ELEMENTARY DIPOLES

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- Elementary current loop in uniform field \mathbf{B} .

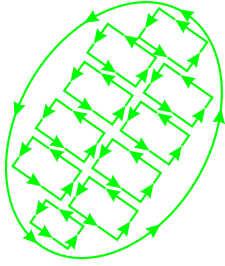
- \Rightarrow No net force on a small loop (cancels).
- But there is a couple (just like electric dipole).
- Consider force in z -direction on line CD = $-IdxB_y$; it has a couple about the x -axis: $G_x = -B_y Idxdy$.
- Similarly, the couple about the y -axis is $G_y = B_x Idxdy$. [Take origin at A; G_y due to BC.]
- $G_z = 0$, so defining $d\mathbf{m} \equiv Id\mathbf{S} = (0, 0, Idxdy)$ for this loop, we have $d\mathbf{G} = (-dm_z B_y, dm_z B_x, 0)$

$$\uparrow \quad \boxed{d\mathbf{G} = d\mathbf{m} \times \mathbf{B}}$$

ELEMENTARY DIPOLES II

- Small current loop acts like a small magnetic dipole $d\mathbf{m}$
- Note **sign convention**: direction of current I defines orientation of ($d\mathbf{m} \equiv I d\mathbf{S}$) by right-hand rule.
- Couple on loop $d\mathbf{G} = d\mathbf{m} \times \mathbf{B}$
 - Consider finite current loop:

$$\mathbf{m} = I \int d\mathbf{S}$$
 due to cancellation of currents except at edge.



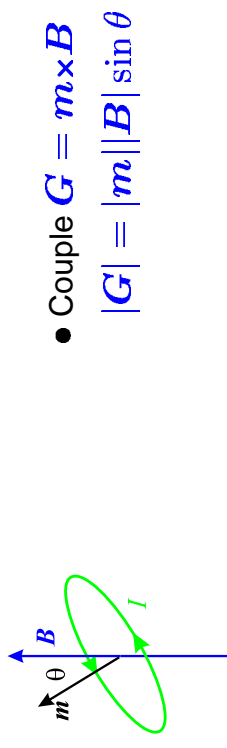
- Compare with electrostatics:

$$\mathbf{G} = \mathbf{p} \times \mathbf{E}; \quad U = -\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{E}$$
- Potential energy of a magnetic dipole:

$$U = -\mathbf{m} \cdot \mathbf{B} = -I \int d\mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{B} = -I \Phi$$
- $\Phi = \int d\mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{B}$ = magnetic flux through S .

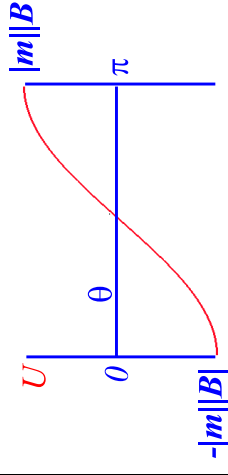
POTENTIAL ENERGY — FORCE ON DIPOLE

- Potential energy of a magnetic dipole: $U = -\mathbf{m} \cdot \mathbf{B}$.
- Derived by analogy with electrostatics, but what is the physical picture for the current loop?



- Couple $\mathbf{G} = \mathbf{m} \times \mathbf{B}$
- $$|\mathbf{G}| = |\mathbf{m}| |\mathbf{B}| \sin \theta$$

Couple does work $dW = |\mathbf{m}| |\mathbf{B}| \sin \theta d\theta$ as θ is varied
 $\Rightarrow W = -|\mathbf{m}| |\mathbf{B}| \cos \theta = -\mathbf{m} \cdot \mathbf{B}$.



Take $U = 0$ at $\theta = \pi/2$.

- Force on dipole in non-uniform field:

$$\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{m} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{B} = \nabla (\mathbf{m} \cdot \mathbf{B}) \quad (\text{Care!}) \quad (= -\nabla U)$$

[Proof: $\mathbf{m} \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{B}) = \nabla (\mathbf{m} \cdot \mathbf{B}) - \mathbf{m} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{B} = 0$
 ($\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = 0$ for interior of loop).]

NON-EXAMINABLE — MATHEMATICAL INTERLUDE

- The divergence theorem $\oint d\mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{A} = \int d\tau \nabla \cdot \mathbf{A}$ is much more general than you think!
- Generalised form: $\oint d\mathbf{S}(\bullet) = \int d\tau \nabla(\bullet)$ (operator identity) the argument \bullet can be anything. . .
- Two new useful theorems: for scalar field Φ and vector \mathbf{A}

$$\oint d\mathbf{S} \Phi = \int d\tau \nabla \Phi; \quad \oint d\mathbf{S} \times \mathbf{A} = \int d\tau \nabla \times \mathbf{A}$$
- Stokes' theorem $\oint d\mathbf{l} \cdot \mathbf{A} = \int d\mathbf{S} \cdot \nabla \times \mathbf{A}$ is better written $\oint d\mathbf{l} \cdot \mathbf{A} = \int (d\mathbf{S} \times \nabla) \cdot \mathbf{A}$
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- (1) Remember the brackets!
 (2) The ∇ operates on **everything**.

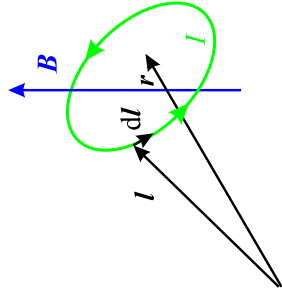
FORCE ON CURRENT LOOP — HIGHER-TECHNOLOGY

- Don't use electrostatic analogy — calculate the forces directly.
- Force on current loop: $\mathbf{F} = I \oint d\mathbf{l} \times \mathbf{B}$
- Generalised Stokes: $\mathbf{F} = I \int (d\mathbf{S} \times \nabla) \times \mathbf{B}$

$$\mathbf{F} = I \int (\nabla(d\mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{B}) - d\mathbf{S} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B}) = I \int \nabla(d\mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{B})$$

$$\mathbf{F} = I \int (d\mathbf{S} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{B} + d\mathbf{S} \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{B}))$$
- $\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = 0$ for interior of the loop $\Rightarrow \mathbf{F} = \int I d\mathbf{S} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{B}$
- For small loop: $\mathbf{m} \equiv I \int d\mathbf{S}$.
- If loop smaller than the scale of variation of \mathbf{B} : $\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{m} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{B}$ as required.

COUPLE ON CURRENT LOOP — NON-EXAMINABLE



- Uniform magnetic field.
 l on loop; r is general point.

- Force: $\mathbf{F} = I \oint d\mathbf{l} \times \mathbf{B}$.

- Couple: $\mathbf{G} = I \oint \mathbf{l} \times (d\mathbf{l} \times \mathbf{B})$.

- Generalised Stokes: $\mathbf{G} = I \int \mathbf{r} \times ((d\mathbf{S} \times \nabla) \times \mathbf{B})$

- Not quite as bad as it looks...

Notes: ∇ acts on everything; but \mathbf{B} is constant.
Move \mathbf{r} to end and expand inner triple product:

$$\mathbf{G} = I \int (\mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla (d\mathbf{S} \times \mathbf{r}) - \mathbf{B} \cdot d\mathbf{S} \nabla \times \mathbf{r})$$

Now use $\nabla \times \mathbf{r} = 0$ and $\mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{B}$. (prove this!)

- $\Rightarrow \mathbf{G} = I \int d\mathbf{S} \times \mathbf{B} = m \times \mathbf{B}$

- That's enough vector calculus for now...

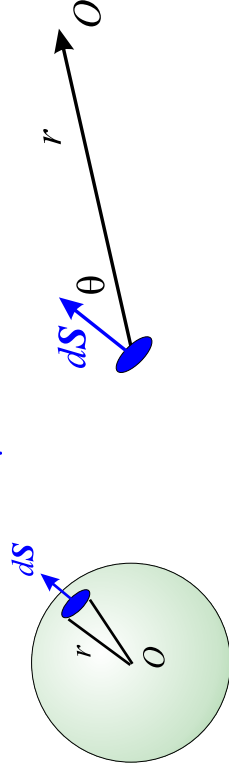
MAGNETIC SCALAR POTENTIAL

- In electrostatics we define $\mathbf{E} = -\nabla V$, where V is the electrostatic potential.
- We are justified in doing this because $\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = 0$ in electrostatics.
- In magnetostatics $\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = 0$ except where currents are flowing.
- We can **sometimes** define a **magnetic scalar potential** ϕ_m to solve problems, analogous to V in electrostatics.
- Definition: $\mathbf{B} = -\mu_0 \nabla \phi_m$.
- Warning: for magnetic media, a better definition is $\mathbf{H} = -\nabla \phi_m$. ($\mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \mathbf{H}$ in free space)
- Unlike V , the magnetic scalar potential ϕ_m is **not** a physical field, but only a mathematical convenience.

THE SOLID ANGLE OF A LOOP

- The **solid angle** of an area dS on a sphere of radius r is

$$\text{defined to be } d\Omega \equiv \frac{|dS|}{r^2}$$



- Solid angle is measured in *steradians*; a whole sphere subtends 4π steradians.

- More generally, account for $\cos\theta$ factor:

$$d\Omega = \frac{|dS|}{r^2} \cos\theta = \frac{dS \cdot r}{r^3}$$

- The convention for the sign is (as in Bleaney&Bleaney):

$$d\Omega = \frac{dS \cdot R}{R^3}$$

MAGNETIC SCALAR POTENTIAL OF A CURRENT LOOP

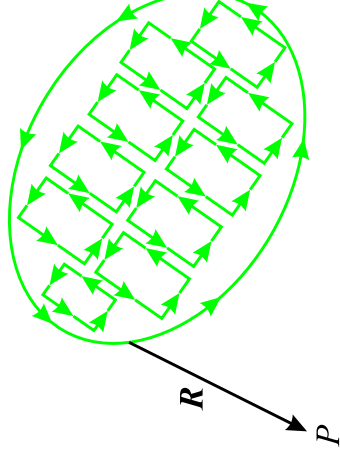
- Small dipole: $dm = IdS$

$$\Rightarrow \phi_m = \frac{|dm| \cos\theta}{4\pi R^2}$$

[c.f. electrostatic dipole]

$$\phi_m = \frac{dm \cdot R}{4\pi R^3} = \frac{IdS \cdot R}{4\pi R^3} = \frac{Id\Omega}{4\pi}$$

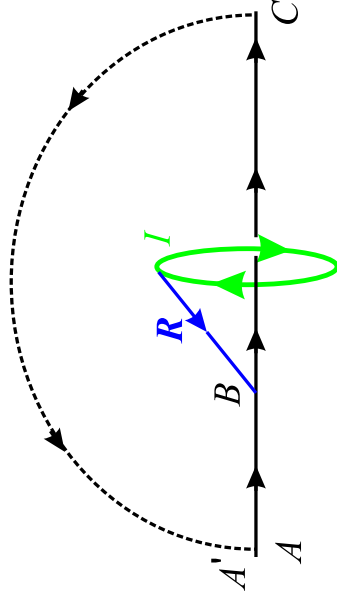
[$d\Omega$ is the solid angle of current loop at R .]



$$\phi_m = \frac{I\Omega}{4\pi}$$

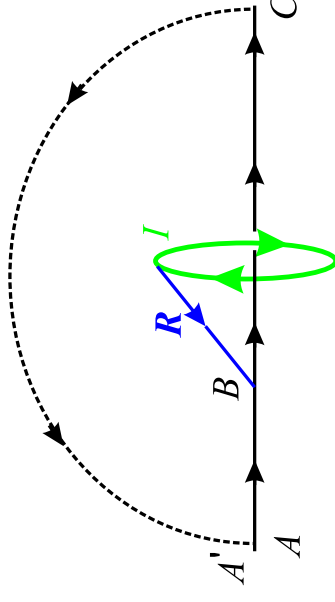
- Must be true for larger loop as well.
- Magnetic scalar potential is proportional to the solid angle subtended by loop at P .

AMPÈRE'S THEOREM



- **N.B. Direction of loop is $A \rightarrow C$.**
- At A (at large distance) $\Omega \approx 0$.
- At B (intermediate distance) $\Omega < 0$.
Going through loop $\Omega = -2\pi$.
- Continuing, Ω continues to decrease and at large distance $\Omega \approx -4\pi$.
 $\phi_m(A) = 0$; $\phi_m(C) = -I$.
- On return path $\Delta\Omega = 0$, since it does not go through the loop.
 $\Rightarrow \Omega_{A'} \neq \Omega_A$ (by -4π).
- Magnetic scalar potential is not single-valued: if a path encircles a current $\phi_m \rightarrow \phi_m - I$.

AMPÈRE'S THEOREM II



- $\int_A^{A'} d\phi_m = \int_A^{A'} \mathbf{dl} \cdot \nabla \phi_m = -\frac{1}{\mu_0} \oint \mathbf{dl} \cdot \mathbf{B}$
- $\phi_m(A') = \phi_m(A) - I \Rightarrow \oint \mathbf{dl} \cdot \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 I$ (Ampère)
- $\oint \mathbf{dl} \cdot \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 I = \mu_0 \int d\mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{J}$
[\mathbf{J} = current density (A m^{-2})]

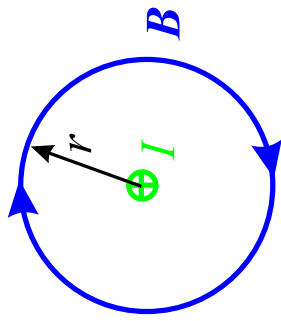
- Apply Stokes' theorem:

$$\oint \mathbf{dl} \cdot \mathbf{B} = \int d\mathbf{S} \cdot \nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \int d\mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{J}$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \mathbf{J}$$

AMPÈRE'S THEOREM III

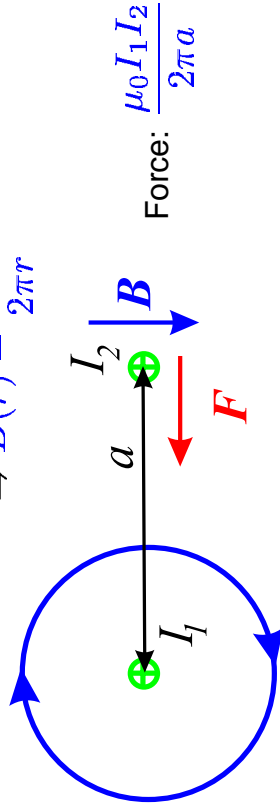
Field at distance r from long wire carrying current I (into plane)



$$\oint \mathbf{dl} \cdot \mathbf{B} = 2\pi r B(r)$$

$$\int d\mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{J} = I$$

$$\Rightarrow B(r) = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi r}$$



$$\text{Force: } \frac{\mu_0 I_1 I_2}{2\pi a}$$

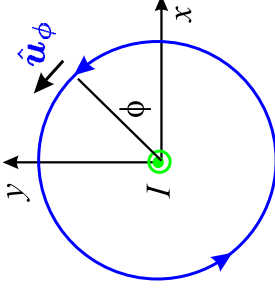
- Force between two long wires.
- Definition of the Amp: put $I_1 = I_2 = 1 \text{ A}$; $a = 1 \text{ m}$.

$$\Rightarrow F = \frac{\mu_0}{2\pi} = 2 \times 10^{-7} \text{ N m}^{-1}$$

MAGNETIC SCALAR POTENTIAL REVISITED

- ϕ_m is useful for some problems involving magnetic media.
- $\phi_m = \frac{I\Omega}{4\pi}$ is a useful insight.
- Works when $\mathbf{J} = 0$ and sometimes useful when currents are confined to wires.

- Long thin wire:



I out of the plane.

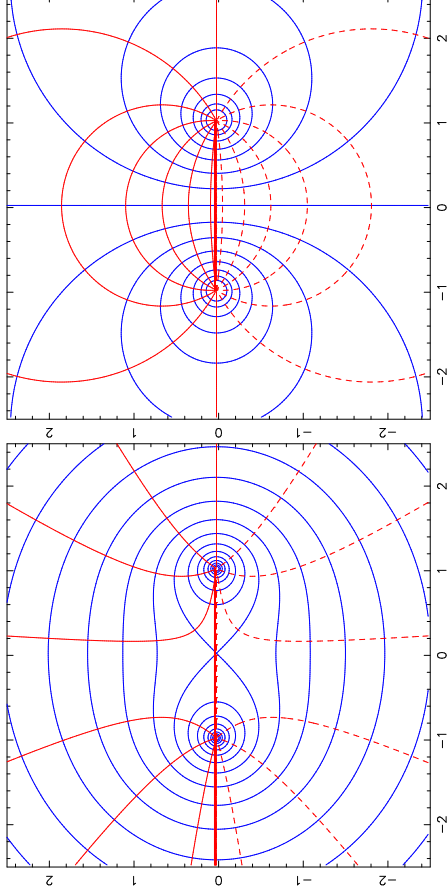
$$\mathbf{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi r} \hat{\mathbf{u}}_\phi.$$

$$\text{We can use } \phi_m = -\frac{I\phi}{2\pi}$$

[$\hat{\mathbf{u}}_\phi$ is the unit vector in direction of cylindrical angle ϕ .]

- This ϕ_m is multi-valued, but doesn't matter since \mathbf{B} is well-defined.
- But $\nabla \times \mathbf{B} \neq 0$, so the scalar potential must ultimately fail.

CURRENT-CARRYING WIRES



- Figure shows field lines of \mathbf{B} (thick, blue) and equipotentials of ϕ_m (thin, blue) for two wires carrying equal parallel currents (left) and antiparallel currents (right).
- Note that ϕ_m is multivalued:
 - (1) for currents in same direction, there is a discontinuity along the negative x -axis;
 - (2) for opposite currents the discontinuity is in the plane joining the wires — ϕ_m is continuous for paths enclosing **both** wires.

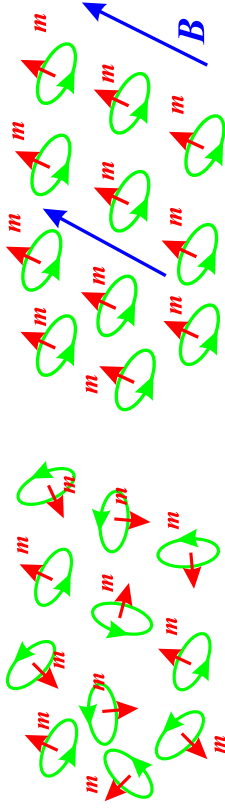
MAGNETIC VECTOR POTENTIAL

- V is well-defined in electrostatics — potential energy per unit charge.
- V is generated by ρ .
- When ρ changes, we get a current \mathbf{J} .
- (ρ, \mathbf{J}) form a relativistic 4-vector.
- There is another **vector** potential \mathbf{A} that forms a relativistic 4-vector with the electrostatic potential V .
(next year...)
- \mathbf{A} generates \mathbf{B} via $\mathbf{B} = \nabla \times \mathbf{A} \Rightarrow \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$.
- $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A}$ is not determined (gauge choice);
c.f. zero-point of V .
- We have already seen that \mathbf{B} can be written:
$$\mathbf{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \nabla \times \oint \frac{d\mathbf{l}}{R}.$$
- \Rightarrow Formula for \mathbf{A} is easy. (next year)...

MAGNETIC MEDIA

- Magnetic substances acquire dipole moments in magnetic fields.
- Dipole moment \mathbf{M} per unit volume.
[Analogous to \mathbf{P} for dielectrics.]

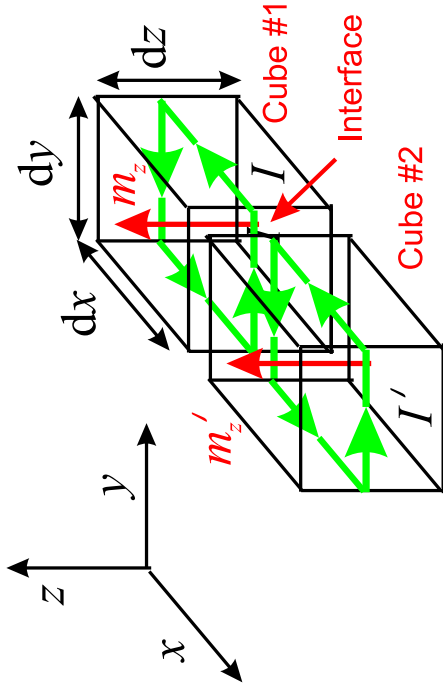
- \mathbf{M} originates in microscopic circulating currents.



With \mathbf{B} field; currents combine
 $\mathbf{B} = 0$; \Rightarrow no net circulation.

- Circulating currents \Rightarrow magnetisation current density \mathbf{J}_m
- Need to relate \mathbf{J}_m and \mathbf{M} .

MAGNETISATION CURRENTS



- Consider two small cubes, carrying currents I, I' around faces shown.
- Magnetic dipole moment in z -direction in cell 1 is $m_z = I dx dy$.
By definition: $m_z = M_z dx dy dz \Rightarrow I = M_z dz$.
- For cell 2 $m'_z = I' dx dy = M'_z dx dy dz$.
But $M'_z \approx M_z + \frac{\partial M_z}{\partial x} dx$; $I' \approx I + \frac{\partial I}{\partial x} dx$
- Net current flow (J_y) on interface in y, z plane:

$$I - I' = -\frac{\partial I}{\partial x} dx = -\frac{\partial M_z}{\partial x} dx dz = J_y dx dz$$

MAGNETISATION CURRENTS II

- There is also a contribution to J_y from currents in the x, y -plane $= \frac{\partial M_x}{\partial z}$.

$$\Rightarrow J_y = \frac{\partial M_x}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial M_z}{\partial x} = [\nabla \times \mathbf{M}]_y$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{J}_m = \nabla \times \mathbf{M}$$

- We must add the magnetisation currents to Ampère's theorem

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mu_0(\mathbf{J}_{\text{free}} + \mathbf{J}_m)$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla \times (\mathbf{B} - \mu_0 \mathbf{M}) = \mu_0 \mathbf{J}_{\text{free}}$$

- Define **magnetic field strength**:

$$\mathbf{H} \equiv \frac{1}{\mu_0}(\mathbf{B} - \mu_0 \mathbf{M})$$

- In magnetostatics: $\nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{J}_{\text{free}}$ (M4)

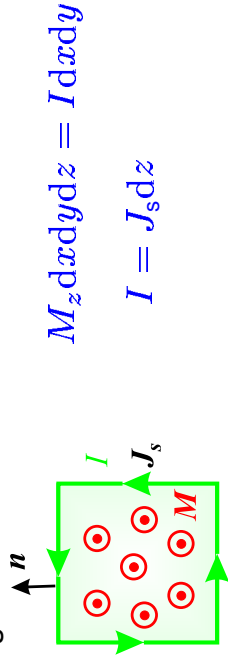
AMPÈRE'S THEOREM IN MAGNETIC MEDIA

$$\oint \mathbf{dl} \cdot \mathbf{H} = I$$

- Integral form:
- For many media (but **not** permanent magnets) \mathbf{M} is proportional to \mathbf{H} .
- We define: $\mathbf{M} = \chi_m \mathbf{H}$ (magnetic susceptibility)
- $\mathbf{B} = \mu_0(\mathbf{H} + \mathbf{M}) = \mu_0(1 + \chi_m)\mathbf{H}$
- Define also: $\mathbf{B} = \mu_r \mu_0 \mathbf{H}$ relative permeability
- Related via $\mu_r = 1 + \chi$.
- We use μ_r to describe the magnetic field, but use χ when we are interested in the properties of the medium.
- For most insulators we can assume that $\mu_r \approx 1$.

MAGNETISATION CURRENTS — NON-EXAMINABLE

- Alternative proof provides insight into the nature of magnetisation currents.



- Magnetised block has currents circulating around its faces (\mathbf{n} is unit normal to surface).
- Surface current density is $\mathbf{J}_s = \mathbf{M} \times \mathbf{n}$.
- Suppose there are no free currents.

No overall current flow $\Rightarrow \oint |\mathrm{d}\mathbf{S}| \mathbf{J}_s + \int \mathrm{d}\tau \mathbf{J}_m = 0$

But $\oint |\mathrm{d}\mathbf{S}| \mathbf{J}_s = \oint |\mathrm{d}\mathbf{S}| \mathbf{M} \times \mathbf{n} = - \oint \mathrm{d}\mathbf{S} \times \mathbf{M}$

$- \oint \mathrm{d}\mathbf{S} \times \mathbf{M} + \int \mathrm{d}\tau \mathbf{J}_m = 0$

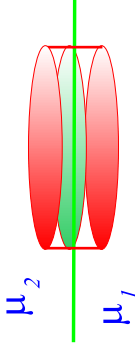
Generalised divergence \downarrow

$- \int \mathrm{d}\tau \nabla \times \mathbf{M} + \int \mathrm{d}\tau \mathbf{J}_m = 0$

$\Rightarrow \mathbf{J}_m = \nabla \times \mathbf{M}$

BOUNDARY CONDITIONS FOR \mathbf{B} AND \mathbf{H}

- No free currents.
- For \mathbf{B} consider Gaussian 'pill-box' in plane of the boundary.



$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0 \xRightarrow{\text{Gauss}} \oint \mathrm{d}\mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$

$\Rightarrow B_{1\perp} = B_{2\perp} \Rightarrow B_{\perp} \text{ is continuous}$

- For \mathbf{H} consider loop shown

$\int \mathrm{d}\mathbf{S} \cdot \nabla \times \mathbf{H} = 0 \xRightarrow{\text{Stokes}} \oint \mathrm{d}\mathbf{l} \cdot \mathbf{H} = 0$

$\Rightarrow H_{1\parallel} = H_{2\parallel} \Rightarrow H_{\parallel} \text{ is continuous}$

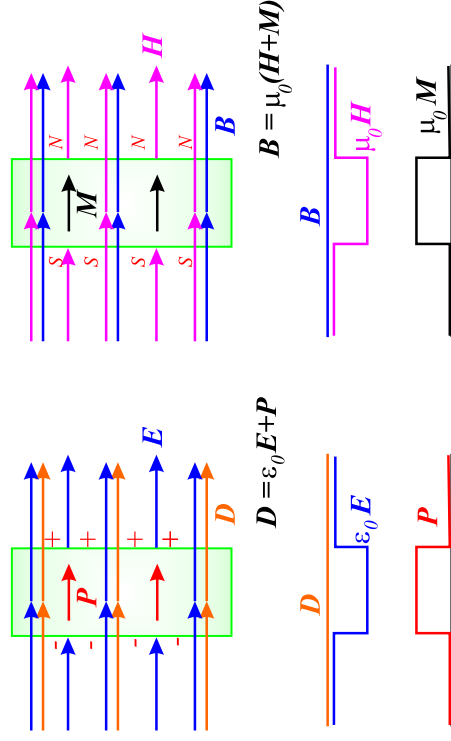
- For magnetic media, we now must define

$\mathbf{H} = -\nabla \phi_m$

The potential ϕ_m is single-valued, so must be continuous at the boundary. This is the same condition as that on H_{\parallel} .

PROPERTIES OF B AND H — E AND D ANALOGY

- B is the fundamental field in magnetostatics.
- B gives the force on moving charges/currents.
- H is defined for mathematical convenience when considering media.
- Field lines of B are closed loops and never end.
- Lines of H can begin and end on “magnetic poles” — the North and South poles of magnetisation dipoles.
- Boundary conditions:
 - B behaves like D since B_{\perp} continuous.
 - H behaves like E since H_{\parallel} continuous.



METHODS OF CALCULATING B AND H

There are four main tools.

- (1) Simple circuits with high symmetry: apply Ampère's theorem.

$$\oint dl \cdot H = I$$

- (2) Along paths not intersecting loops, we can use the scalar potential.

$$\phi_m = \frac{I\Omega}{4\pi}$$

- (3) We can always use the Biot-Savart law

$$dB = \frac{\mu_0 I dl \times R}{4\pi R^3}$$

and integrate around the current loops.

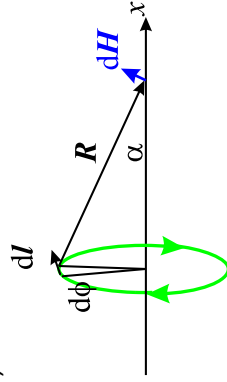
- (4) Use the vector potential

$$dA = \frac{\mu_0 I dl}{4\pi R}$$
 and take the

curl afterwards. This is often the best approach, since the integral is easier, and taking the curl is straightforward (!).

METHODS OF CALCULATING B AND H — EXAMPLE

- (1) Long straight wire — revise.
- (2) Long solenoid — revise: $B_z = nI$.
[n turns per unit length]
- (3) Field on axis of a current loop — Biot-Savart method:



Current element gives:

$$d\mathbf{H} = \frac{I d\mathbf{l} \times \mathbf{R}}{4\pi R^3}.$$

After integration only the H_x component remains:

$$H_x = \frac{I}{4\pi R^2} \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi a \sin \alpha = \frac{I a \sin \alpha}{2R^2}$$

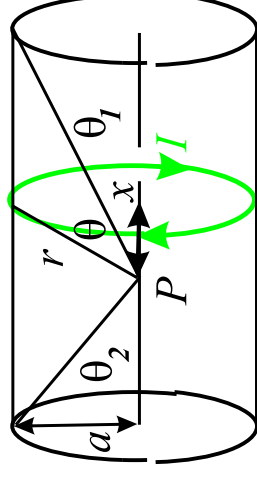
$$= \frac{I a^2}{2(a^2 + x^2)^{3/2}}$$

Alternative: evaluate ϕ_m on the axis = $\frac{I\Omega}{4\pi}$

$$\Omega = 2\pi \int_0^\alpha d\theta \sin \theta = 2\pi(1 - \cos \alpha)$$

and find $H_x = -\frac{\partial \phi_m}{\partial x}$.

EXAMPLE — SHORT SOLENOID



Consider field at P
 due to loop at x :
 $x = a \cot \theta$
 $dx = -a d\theta / \sin^2 \theta$
 $r = a / \sin \theta$

- n turns per unit length.
- Note P on negative side of loop as shown.

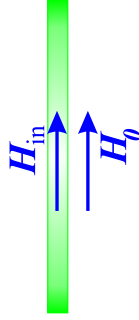
$$dH_P = -\frac{I(ndx)a \sin \theta}{2r^2} = \frac{nI}{2} \sin \theta d\theta$$

$$H_P = \frac{nI}{2} \int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} d\theta \sin \theta = \frac{nI}{2} (\cos \theta_1 - \cos \theta_2)$$

B AND H INSIDE MAGNETIC MATERIALS

- As in electrostatics, field inside magnetic media placed in external field H_0 depends on **shape** of body.

- Example: long thin rod

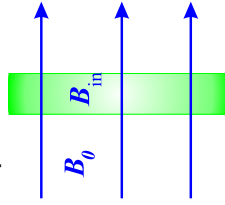


- Continuity of H_{\parallel}

$$\Rightarrow H_{\text{in}} = H_0$$

$$\Rightarrow B_{\text{in}} = \mu_r B_0$$

- Example: thin slab



- Continuity of B_{\perp}

$$\Rightarrow B_{\text{in}} = B_0$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu_r H_{\text{in}} = H_0$$

- Other shapes are between these extremes: e.g. sphere, cylinder.
- In general, the field H_{in} is not parallel to H_0 (tensor!).

MAGNETISABLE SPHERE IN UNIFORM FIELD

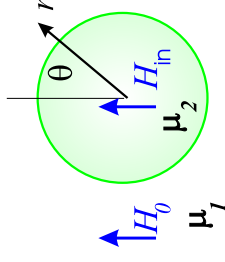
- Use scalar potential ϕ_m in analogy with dielectric sphere.

Step 1: for $r < a$

$$\phi_m = -H_{\text{in}} r \cos \theta;$$

for $r > a$

$$\phi_m = -H_0 r \cos \theta + \frac{A \cos \theta}{r^2}.$$



- Step 2: match boundary conditions.

$$(1) \phi_m \text{ (or } H_{\parallel}) \Rightarrow H_{\text{in}} = H_0 - \frac{A}{a^3}$$

$$(2) B_{\perp}: \text{ use } B_{\perp} = -\mu_r \mu_0 \frac{\partial \phi_m}{\partial r} \text{ at } r = a.$$

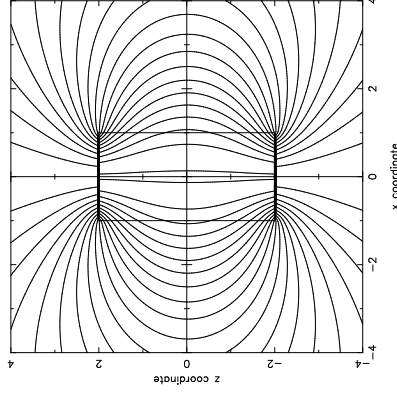
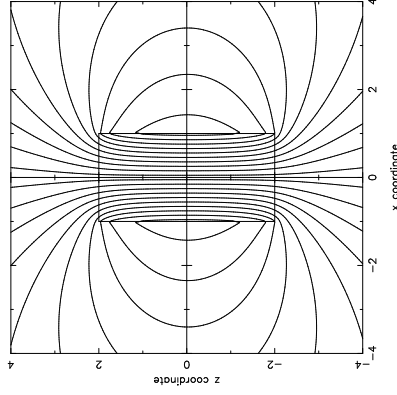
$$\mu_2 H_{\text{in}} = \mu_1 \left(H_0 + \frac{2A}{a^3} \right)$$

- Step 3: solve for A, H_{in} :

$$A = \frac{a^3(\mu_2 - \mu_1)}{2\mu_1 + \mu_2} H_0; \quad H_{\text{in}} = \frac{3\mu_1}{2\mu_1 + \mu_2} H_0$$

EXAMPLE — UNIFORMLY MAGNETISED CYLINDER

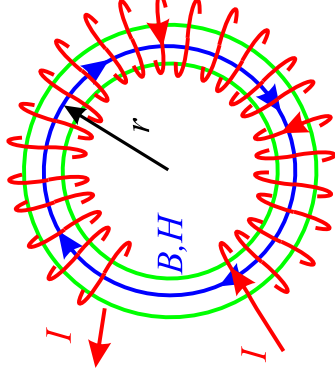
- Surface currents $\mathbf{J}_s = \mathbf{M} \times \mathbf{n}$, so the cylindrical bar magnet has the same \mathbf{B} field as the short solenoid.
- To find the magnetic field everywhere (rather than just on the axis), it is better to calculate the \mathbf{A} field first.



- Lines of \mathbf{B} — “leak out” like short solenoid — continuous at the ends, but are kinked at the sides where they cross the surface currents.
- Lines of \mathbf{H} originate at the North end and end at the South magnetisation poles — antiparallel to \mathbf{M} , \mathbf{B} in the centre of the magnet.

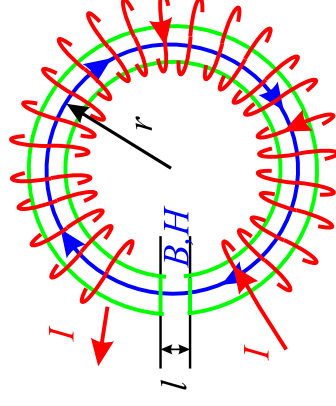
ELECTROMAGNETS

- Ring of high permeability μ_r : N turns in total; current I .
- Apply Ampère’s theorem to path at radius r inside the material.



$$\oint d\mathbf{l} \cdot \mathbf{H} = 2\pi r H_{\text{in}} = NI \Rightarrow H_{\text{in}} = \frac{NI}{2\pi r}; \quad B_{\text{in}} = \frac{\mu_r \mu_0 NI}{2\pi r}$$

- Electromagnet will be used to apply \mathbf{B} field to a sample of material \Rightarrow need to make a small gap length l in the ring.

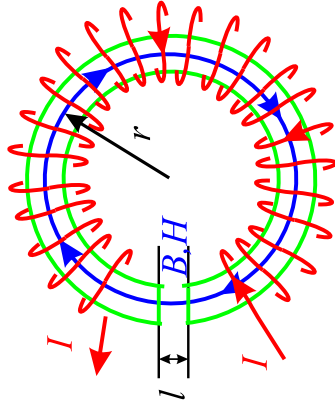


- $B_{\text{gap}} = B_{\text{in}}$ (B_{\perp} continuous)
 $\Rightarrow \mu_r \mu_0 H_{\text{in}} = \mu_0 H_{\text{gap}}$

- Ampère’s theorem:

$$\oint d\mathbf{l} \cdot \mathbf{H} = (2\pi r - l)H_{\text{in}} + lH_{\text{gap}} = NI$$

ELECTROMAGNETS II



- $B_{\text{gap}} = B_{\text{in}}$ (B_{\perp} continuous)
 $\Rightarrow \mu_r \mu_0 H_{\text{in}} = \mu_0 H_{\text{gap}}$

- Ampère's theorem:

$$NI = (2\pi r - l)H_{\text{in}} + lH_{\text{gap}}$$

$$\Rightarrow H_{\text{gap}} = \frac{\mu_r NI}{2\pi r + (\mu_r - 1)l}$$

$$\Rightarrow B_{\text{gap}} = \mu_0 H_{\text{gap}} = \frac{\mu_r \mu_0 NI}{2\pi r + (\mu_r - 1)l}$$

- For practical electromagnets $\mu_r \gg 1$ and $\mu_r l \gg r$

$$\Rightarrow B_{\text{gap}} \approx \frac{\mu_0 NI}{l}$$

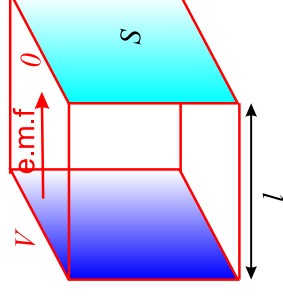
- In this limit (highly magnetisable material) it is as if *all* the path is in the gap — the rest is 'shorted out'.

RESISTANCE AND CONDUCTIVITY — REMINDER

- Resistor: Ohm's law $V = IR$.

V is the 'electromotive force' (e.m.f.)

R is the 'resistance'.



- Volume of material
 faces of area S
 distance l apart.

- Apply e.m.f. across faces of material:

(1) current $\propto V$;

(2) current $\propto S$;

(3) current $\propto 1/l$;

$$I = \frac{VS\sigma}{l}; \quad R = \frac{l}{S\sigma}$$

- σ is the *conductivity* of the material.

- $V/l = |\mathbf{E}|$, so in general we have the constitutive relation

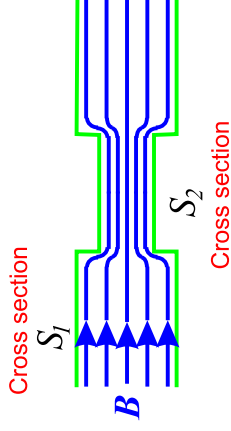
$$\mathbf{J} = \sigma \mathbf{E}$$

MAGNETIC CIRCUITS

- We can draw an analogy between electric circuits and “magnetic circuits”.

Electric circuit	Magnetic circuit
ΔV	NI
= electromotive force	= “magnetomotive force”
$= \int d\mathbf{l} \cdot \mathbf{E}$	$= \int d\mathbf{l} \cdot \mathbf{H}$

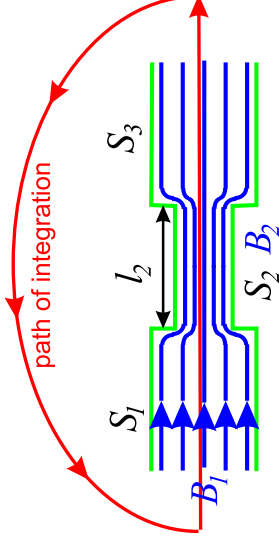
- Suppose that μ_r is so high that no field lines of \mathbf{B} can leak out.



- Flux $\Phi = SB = \text{constant} = S\mu_r\mu_0 H$

$$\Rightarrow H = \frac{\Phi}{\mu_r\mu_0 S}$$

MAGNETIC CIRCUITS II



- Ampère: $NI = \oint d\mathbf{l} \cdot \mathbf{H} = \frac{\Phi}{\mu_0} \sum_{\text{loop}} \frac{l_i}{\mu_i S_i}$

$$\Phi = NI / \sum \frac{l_i}{\mu_0 \mu_i S_i}$$

- Compare with D.C. circuit with resistances R_i in series:

$$I = V / \sum R_i$$

- Analogy: $\Phi \leftrightarrow I; NI \leftrightarrow V; \sum R_i \leftrightarrow \sum \frac{l_i}{\mu_0 \mu_i S_i}$.

- Quantity analogous to resistance R_i is

$$\text{magnetic reluctance: } \frac{l_i}{\mu_i \mu_0 S_i}$$

- Note: $R_i = \frac{l_i}{\sigma_i S_i}$ (σ_i = conductivity).

MAGNETIC CIRCUITS — D.C. ANALOGY

Electric circuit	Magnetic circuit
$\int_{\text{closed surface}} \mathbf{dS} \cdot \mathbf{J} = 0$	$\int_{\text{closed surface}} \mathbf{dS} \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$
ΔV = electromotive force $= \int \mathbf{dl} \cdot \mathbf{E}$	NI = magnetomotive force $= \int \mathbf{dl} \cdot \mathbf{H}$
$\mathbf{J} = \sigma \mathbf{E}$	$\mathbf{B} = \mu_r \mu_0 \mathbf{H}$
Resistance = $\frac{l}{\sigma S}$	Reluctance = $\frac{l}{\mu_r \mu_0 S}$