Magnetic Fields Produced by Current Distributions

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The Complex Potential in 2-D

The complex field, $B(z) = B_y(x, y) + i B_x(x, y)$ is given by:

$$\boldsymbol{B}(\boldsymbol{z}) = B_{\boldsymbol{y}}(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y}) + iB_{\boldsymbol{x}}(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y}) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[C(n) \exp(-in\alpha_n) \right] \left(\frac{\boldsymbol{z}}{R_{ref}} \right)^{n-1}$$

which is an analytic function of the complex variable z = x + iy. Accordingly, we define a **Complex Potential** W(z) such that:

$$\boldsymbol{B}(\boldsymbol{z}) = -\frac{d\boldsymbol{W}(\boldsymbol{z})}{d\boldsymbol{z}}$$

It can be shown that the real and imaginary parts of this complex potential are nothing but the vector and the scalar potentials respectively.

Complex, Vector & Scalar Potentials

$$W(z) = W_{r}(x, y) + iW_{i}(x, y) \text{ (Complex Potential)}$$

$$\frac{dW(z)}{dx} = \frac{dW(z)}{dz} \cdot \frac{dz}{dx} = -(B_{y} + iB_{x}) \cdot 1 = \left(\frac{\partial W_{r}}{\partial x}\right) + i\left(\frac{\partial W_{i}}{\partial x}\right)$$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{\partial W_{r}}{\partial x}\right) = -B_{y} = \left(\frac{\partial A_{z}}{\partial x}\right); \quad \left(\frac{\partial W_{i}}{\partial x}\right) = -B_{x} = \left(\frac{\partial \Phi_{m}}{\partial x}\right)$$

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$$\text{Re}[W(z)] = A_{z} \text{ (Vector Potential)}$$

$$\text{Im}[W(z)] = \Phi_{m} \text{ (Scalar Potential)}$$









 $B_{out}(z) = \left(\frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi\tau}\right)$ For points outside, the current shell behaves as a filament located at the center of the shell.



Overlapping Cylinders: Pure Dipole

 z_1

 z_2

Consider two overlapping solid cylinders carrying equal and opposite current densities.

For any point, z_{in} , inside the current free region:

$$z_{1} = z_{in} + \frac{x_{0}}{2}; \quad z_{2} = z_{in} - \frac{x_{0}}{2}$$
$$B(z_{in}) = \left(\frac{\mu_{0}J}{2}\right) \cdot \left(z_{1}^{*} - z_{2}^{*}\right)$$

$$\boldsymbol{B}(\boldsymbol{z}_{in}) = \left(\frac{\mu_0 J x_0}{2}\right) = \text{Constant}$$

This represents a pure Dipole Field in the "aperture"



This formula allows computation of the field by integrating along only the *boundary* of the conductor, instead of the entire volume

Derivation of Integral Formula



Solid Elliptical Cross Section Conductor



The integral formula gives in this case:

$$\boldsymbol{B}_{in}(\boldsymbol{z}) = \frac{\mu_o J}{(a+b)} [bx - iay] \quad \boldsymbol{B}_{out}(\boldsymbol{z}) = \left(\frac{\mu_o J}{2}\right) \left[\frac{2ab}{\boldsymbol{z} + \sqrt{\boldsymbol{z}^2 - (a^2 - b^2)}}\right]$$

For b = a, these reduce to the expressions for a circular cross section.

Reference: R.A. Beth, J. Appl. Phys. 38(12), 4689-92 (1967)

Overlapping Ellipses: Pure Dipole

Consider two overlapping ellipses carrying equal and opposite current densities.

For any point, z_{in} , inside the current free region:

$$\boldsymbol{B}(\boldsymbol{z}_{in}) = \frac{\mu_o J}{(a+b)} \left[b \left(x + \frac{x_0}{2} \right) - iay - b \left(x - \frac{x_0}{2} \right) + iay \right]$$

$$\boldsymbol{B}(\boldsymbol{z}_{in}) = \frac{\mu_o J b \boldsymbol{x}_0}{(a+b)} = \text{constant}$$



This represents a pure Dipole Field in the "aperture"

Overlapping Ellipses: Pure Quadrupole

Consider two overlapping ellipses carrying equal and opposite current densities, as shown. Y^{\uparrow}_{+I}

For any point, z_{in} , inside the current free region:

$$\boldsymbol{B}(\boldsymbol{z}_{in}) = \frac{\mu_o J}{(a+b)} \left[-bx + iay + ax - iby \right]$$

$$\boldsymbol{B}(\boldsymbol{z}_{in}) = \frac{\mu_o J(a-b)}{(a+b)} (x+iy)$$

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$$B_{y}(z) = \frac{\mu_{o}J(a-b)}{(a+b)}x; \quad B_{x}(z) = \frac{\mu_{o}J(a-b)}{(a+b)}y$$

This represents a pure Quadrupole Field in the "aperture"

Conductor of Polygonal Cross Section

$$B(z) = \left(\frac{\mu_0 J}{4\pi}\right) i \oint \frac{z'^* - z^*}{z' - z} dz'$$

$$= \left(\frac{\mu_0 J}{4\pi}\right) \sum_{j=1}^N I_j(z)$$

$$I_j(z) = i \left[\left(z_j^* - z^*\right) + \left(\frac{z_{j+1} - z_j}{z_{j+1} - z_j}\right) (z - z_j) \right] \ln \left(\frac{z_{j+1} - z}{z_j - z}\right); \ z \neq z_j \text{ and } z \neq z_{j+1}$$
Use $I_j(z) = 0$ if $z = z_j$; or if $z = z_{j+1}$
Cross sectional area, A , is given by: $A = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^N (x_j y_{j+1} - x_{j+1} y_j)$

Harmonic Expansion:Current Filament



Series Expansion for Outside Region

For any point, P, outside circle of radius a:



Pure 2*m*-pole Field: $Cos(m\theta)$ Distribution

For any point, *P*, inside the current shell:

$$B_{in}(z) = -\left(\frac{\mu_0 I_0}{2\pi a}\right) \int_{0}^{2\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{z}{a}\right)^{n-1} \exp(-in\phi) \cos(m\phi) d\phi$$

$$\int_{0}^{2\pi} \cos(n\phi) \cos(m\phi) d\phi = \pi \delta_{mn}; \int_{0}^{2\pi} \sin(n\phi) \cos(m\phi) d\phi = 0$$

$$B_{in}(z) = -\left(\frac{\mu_0 I_0}{2a}\right) \left(\frac{z}{a}\right)^{m-1} Pure \ 2m - pole$$
Field
$$B_{out}(z) = \left(\frac{\mu_0 I_0}{2\pi z}\right) \int_{0}^{2\pi} \left[1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \exp(in\phi) \left(\frac{a}{z}\right)^n\right] \cos(m\phi) d\phi = \left(\frac{\mu_0 I_0}{2a}\right) \left(\frac{a}{z}\right)^{m+1} Falls \ off$$

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Current Filament Inside Cylindrical Cavity in Infinite Iron Yoke

The effect of iron yoke on the field inside can be described by an image current.

The location and strength of the image current is given by:

$$a' = \frac{R_{yoke}^2}{a}; \quad I' = \left(\frac{\mu_r - 1}{\mu_r + 1}\right)I; \quad \phi' = \phi$$

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The 2*n*-pole harmonic is given by:

$$B_n + iA_n = -\left(\frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi a}\right) \left(\frac{R_{ref}}{a}\right)^{n-1} \left[1 + \left(\frac{\mu_r - 1}{\mu_r + 1}\right) \left(\frac{a}{R_{yoke}}\right)^{2n}\right] \exp(-in\phi)$$

Current Filament Inside Cylindrical Shell

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The general expansion of the vector potential in each of the four regions is:

$$A_{z}(r,\theta) = D_{0} \ln\left(\frac{r}{a}\right) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} D_{n}\left(\frac{1}{r}\right)^{n} \cos\{n(\theta - \phi)\}$$
$$+ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} E_{n} r^{n} \cos(n(\theta - \phi))$$

$$+\sum_{n=1}^{\infty}E_{n}r^{n}\cos\{n(\theta-\phi)\}$$

Boundary Conditions:

- (a) The field components (derivatives of A_z) are finite everywhere.
- (b) The radial component, B_r , is continuous at r = a; $r = R_1 \& r = R_2$.
- (c) The azimuthal component, H_{θ} , is continuous at $r = R_1$ & at $r = R_2$ $[H_{\theta} = B_{\theta}/(\mu\mu_0)$ in region III and $= B_{\theta}/\mu_0$ elsewhere.]

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Current Filament Inside Cylindrical Shell

In Region I, which is of most interest:

$$\begin{split} A_{z}(r,\theta) &= \left(\frac{\mu_{o}I}{2\pi}\right) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \left(\frac{r}{a}\right)^{n} \left[1 + \left(\frac{a}{R_{1}}\right)^{2n} \left(\frac{\mu-1}{\mu+1}\right) \frac{\left\{1 - \left(R_{1}/R_{2}\right)^{2n}\right\}}{\left\{1 - \left(\frac{\mu-1}{\mu+1}\right)^{2} \left(R_{1}/R_{2}\right)^{2n}\right\}} \right] \cos\{n(\theta-\phi)\} \\ B_{r}(r,\theta) &= -\left(\frac{\mu_{o}I}{2\pi a}\right) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{r}{a}\right)^{n-1} \left[1 + \left(\frac{a}{R_{1}}\right)^{2n} \left(\frac{\mu-1}{\mu+1}\right) \frac{\left\{1 - \left(R_{1}/R_{2}\right)^{2n}\right\}}{\left\{1 - \left(\frac{\mu-1}{\mu+1}\right)^{2} \left(R_{1}/R_{2}\right)^{2n}\right\}} \right] \sin\{n(\theta-\phi)\} \\ B_{\theta}(r,\theta) &= -\left(\frac{\mu_{o}I}{2\pi a}\right) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{r}{a}\right)^{n-1} \left[1 + \left(\frac{a}{R_{1}}\right)^{2n} \left(\frac{\mu-1}{\mu+1}\right) \frac{\left\{1 - \left(R_{1}/R_{2}\right)^{2n}\right\}}{\left\{1 - \left(\frac{\mu-1}{\mu+1}\right)^{2} \left(R_{1}/R_{2}\right)^{2n}\right\}} \right] \cos\{n(\theta-\phi)\} \end{split}$$

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Field on the Axis of a Ring Current



Field from a Ring Current: Off-Axis



Field from a Ring Current: Off-Axis $k^{2} = \frac{4a\rho}{(1+\rho)^{2}+2}; (k^{2} \le 1)$

$$K^{2} = \frac{\mu_{0}I}{(a+\rho)^{2} + z^{2}}; (k^{2} \le 1)$$

$$K^{2} = \frac{\mu_{0}I}{\sqrt{1-k^{2}\sin^{2}\theta}} = \frac{\mu_{0}I}{(a+\rho)^{2} + z^{2}} =$$

Field from a Ring Current: Near-Axis



$$k^{2} = \frac{4a\rho}{(a+\rho)^{2} + z^{2}} \to 0$$

$$K(k) = \int_{0}^{\pi/2} \frac{d\theta}{\sqrt{1 - k^{2}\sin^{2}\theta}} \approx \frac{\pi}{2} \left[1 + \frac{k^{2}}{4} + \frac{9k^{4}}{64} + \cdots \right]$$

$$E(k) = \int_{0}^{\pi/2} \sqrt{1 - k^2 \sin^2 \theta} \ d\theta \approx \frac{\pi}{2} \left[1 - \frac{k^2}{4} - \frac{3k^4}{64} + \cdots \right]$$

$$A_{\theta}(\rho, z) = \frac{\mu_0 I}{k\pi} \left(\frac{a}{\rho}\right)^{1/2} \left[\left(1 - \frac{k^2}{2}\right) K(k) - E(k) \right] \xrightarrow{\rho \to 0} \left(\frac{\mu_0 I}{4}\right) \frac{a^2 \rho}{\left[(a+\rho)^2 + z^2\right]^{3/2}}$$

$$B_{\rho}(\rho, z) = -\left(\frac{dA_{\theta}}{dz}\right) \xrightarrow{\rho \to 0} \left(\frac{3\mu_0 I}{4}\right) \frac{a^2 \rho z}{\left[(a+\rho)^2 + z^2\right]^{5/2}}$$

$$B_{z}(\rho,z) = \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{d}{d\rho} (\rho A_{\theta}) \xrightarrow{\rho \to 0} \left(\frac{\mu_{0}I}{2} \right) \frac{a(a-\rho)}{\left[(a+\rho)^{2} + z^{2} \right]^{1/2} \left[(a-\rho)^{2} + z^{2} \right]}$$

Field from a Solenoid

