

211C-PHYSICS1C-2 Midterm 1

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TOTAL POINTS

100 / 100

QUESTION 1

Problem 1 100 pts

1.1 (a) 40 / 40

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1.2 (b) 12 / 12

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1.3 (c) 12 / 12

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1.4 (d) 12 / 12

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1.6 (f) 12 / 12

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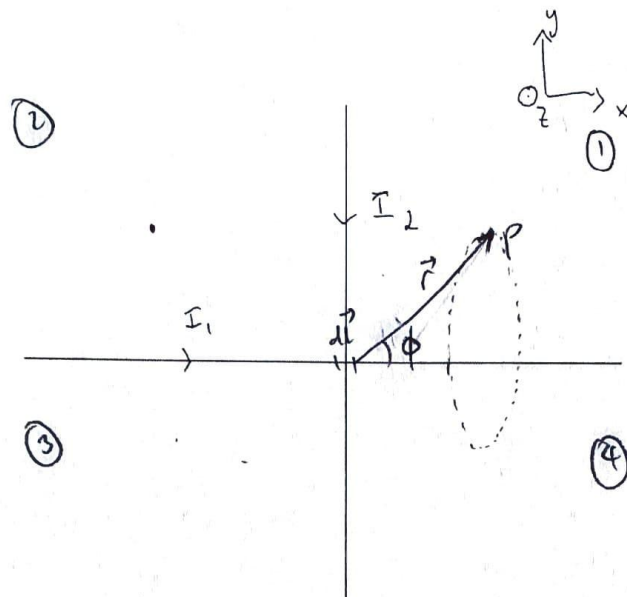
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Problem 1

100 points

Consider two infinitely long straight wires lying in the xy -plane. Wire 1 carries current I_1 in the $+\hat{x}$ direction and wire 2 carries current I_2 in the $-\hat{y}$ direction.



(a): 40 points

Calculate the magnetic field $\vec{B}(x, y)$ (magnitude and direction) everywhere in the xy -plane. [In terms of μ_0, I_1, I_2 , and/or coordinates.] Do not use any results derived in class, show your work starting with either the Biot-Savart law or Ampere's law.

① Point P: (x, y) Due to I_1 : $d\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I_1 dl \hat{x} \times \hat{r}}{4\pi r^2}$ $d\vec{l} = dx \hat{x}$
 $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$

$$\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I_1}{4\pi} \int \frac{dx \hat{x} \times \hat{r}}{r^2}$$

$$|\hat{x} \times \hat{r}| = \sin \phi$$

$$\hat{x} \times \hat{r} = \sin \phi \cdot \hat{z} = \frac{y}{r} \hat{z} = \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \hat{z}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{B} \text{ due to } I_1 = \frac{\mu_0 I_1 y}{4\pi} \int_{-a}^a \frac{dx}{(x^2 + y^2)^{3/2}} = \frac{\mu_0 I_1}{4\pi} \cdot \frac{2a}{y\sqrt{x^2 + a^2}} \hat{z}$$

as $a \rightarrow \infty$: $\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I_1}{2\pi y} \hat{z}$

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At P, B due to I_1 : $\frac{\mu_0 I_1}{2\pi y} \hat{z}$

B due to I_2 : $\frac{\mu_0 I_2}{2\pi x} \hat{z}$ (dir from RHR, mag. from above)

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$$\textcircled{1} \quad \vec{B} = \left(\frac{\mu_0 I_1}{2\pi y} + \frac{\mu_0 I_2}{2\pi x} \right) \hat{z}$$

Using results from $\textcircled{1}$:

$$\textcircled{2} \quad B \text{ due to } I_1: \frac{\mu_0 I_1}{2\pi y} \hat{z} \quad (\text{dir from RHR})$$

$$B \text{ due to } I_2: -\frac{\mu_0 I_2}{2\pi x} \hat{z} \quad (\text{dir from RHR})$$

$$\vec{B}_{\text{tot}} = \left(\frac{\mu_0 I_1}{2\pi y} - \frac{\mu_0 I_2}{2\pi x} \right) \hat{z}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad B \text{ due to } I_1: -\frac{\mu_0 I_1}{2\pi y} \hat{z} \quad (\text{dir from RHR})$$

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$$B \text{ due to } I_2: \frac{\mu_0 I_2}{2\pi x} \hat{z}$$

$$\vec{B}_{\text{tot}} = \left(\frac{\mu_0 I_2}{2\pi x} - \frac{\mu_0 I_1}{2\pi y} \right) \hat{z}$$

On the axes/wires:

$$\text{on the } y\text{-axis: } B_{\text{tot}} = \frac{\mu_0 I_1}{2\pi y} \hat{z}$$

$$\text{on the } -y\text{-axis: } B_{\text{tot}} = -\frac{\mu_0 I_1}{2\pi y} \hat{z}$$

$$\text{On the } +x\text{-axis: } B_{\text{tot}} = \frac{\mu_0 I_2}{2\pi x} \hat{z}$$

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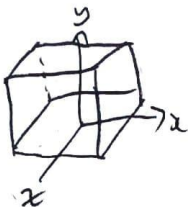
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(b): 12 points

Calculate the magnetic flux through a cube of side length L centered at the origin. [In terms of μ_0, I_1, I_2 , and/or L]



Magnetic flux through a cube is zero.

$$\text{Magnetic Gauss's Law: } \oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{A} = 0$$

Suppose now a magnetic moment $\vec{\mu} = \mu\hat{z}$ is placed at rest at some location (x, y) .

(c): - points

Calculate the torque felt by the magnetic moment. [In terms of μ_0, I_1, I_2, μ, x , and/or y]

$$\vec{\tau} = \vec{\mu} \times \vec{B}$$

$$= \mu \hat{z} \times \left(\frac{\mu_0 I_1}{2\pi y} + \frac{\mu_0 I_2}{2\pi x} \right) \hat{z}$$

$$= 0.$$

$$\hat{z} \times \hat{z} = 0 \quad \text{as they are parallel.}$$

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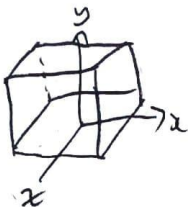
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(d): 12 points

Calculate the potential energy of the magnetic moment in this magnetic field. [In terms of μ_0 , I_1 , I_2 , μ , x , and/or y].

$$\begin{aligned}
 U_B &= -\vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{B} \\
 &= -(\mu \hat{z} \cdot \left(\frac{\mu_0 I_1}{2\pi y} + \frac{\mu_0 I_2}{2\pi x} \right) \hat{z}) \quad (\cos 0 = 1) \\
 &= -\frac{\mu \mu_0}{2\pi} \left(\frac{I_1}{y} + \frac{I_2}{x} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

(e): 12 points

Calculate the force exerted by the magnetic field on this magnetic moment. [In terms of μ_0 , I_1 , I_2 , μ , x , and/or y].

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{F} &= -\nabla U_B = \nabla (\vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{B}) \\
 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{B}) &= \frac{\mu \mu_0 I_2}{2\pi} \frac{1}{x^2} \\
 \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (\vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{B}) &= -\frac{\mu \mu_0 I_1}{2\pi} \frac{1}{y^2} \\
 \vec{F} &= \left\langle -\frac{\mu \mu_0}{2\pi} \frac{I_2}{x^2}, -\frac{\mu \mu_0}{2\pi} \frac{I_1}{y^2} \right\rangle
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(f): 12 points

Suppose a particle of charge q is placed at a position (x, y) and given velocity $\vec{v} = v\hat{x}$. What electric field could be established at (x, y) so that the net force on the charged particle at that location is zero? [In terms of μ_0, I_1, I_2, q, v, x , and/or y].

$$F = q\vec{v} \times \vec{B}$$

$$= q(v\hat{x} \times (\frac{\mu_0 I_1}{2\pi y} + \frac{\mu_0 I_2}{2\pi x})\hat{z})$$

$$= qv(\frac{\mu_0 I_1}{2\pi y} + \frac{\mu_0 I_2}{2\pi x})(-\hat{y})$$

$$(\hat{x} \times \hat{z} = -\hat{y})$$

$F_E = -F_B$ gives $F_{net} = 0$.

$$F_E = qE$$

$$E = v(\frac{\mu_0 I_1}{2\pi y} + \frac{\mu_0 I_2}{2\pi x})\hat{y}$$

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