

## LECTURE NOTES 14

### THE MACROSCOPIC MAGNETIC FIELD ASSOCIATED WITH THE RELATIVE MOTION OF AN ELECTRICALLY-CHARGED POINT-LIKE PARTICLE

An electrically charged point-like particle of charge  $+q$  ( $> 0$ ) moving in the lab frame with relative velocity  $\vec{v}$  (with respect to a fixed coordinate system, origin  $\mathcal{S}$ ) generates an apparent solenoidal magnetic field  $\vec{B}$  in the lab reference frame (*cf* with particle's own reference frame:  $\vec{B} = 0$  there!)

For the non-relativistic case (i.e. for  $v \ll c$  { $c$  = speed of light in vacuum}), the strength of  $\vec{B}_q(\vec{r})$  from a moving point-charged particle with electric charge  $q$  is:

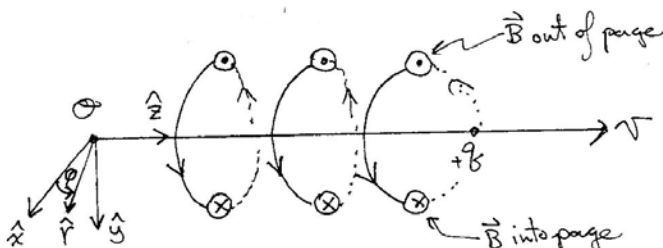
$\vec{B}_q(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{c^2}(\vec{v} \times \vec{E}_q(\vec{r}))$	where: $\vec{E}_q(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{r^2} \hat{r}$ = electrostatic field of charged particle in its own rest frame!
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Then:  $\vec{B}_q(\vec{r}) = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 c^2} \left( \vec{v} \times \frac{\hat{r}}{r^2} \right) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \left( q\vec{v} \times \frac{\hat{r}}{r^2} \right)$  (using  $c^2 = 1/\epsilon_0 \mu_0$ )

where:  $\vec{r} = \vec{r} - \vec{r}' = (\text{obs. pt} - \text{src. pt})$  and:  $\frac{\hat{r}}{r^2} = \frac{\vec{r}}{r^3} = \frac{\vec{r}}{|\vec{r}|^3}$  since:  $\vec{r} = |\vec{r}| \hat{r} = r\hat{r}$

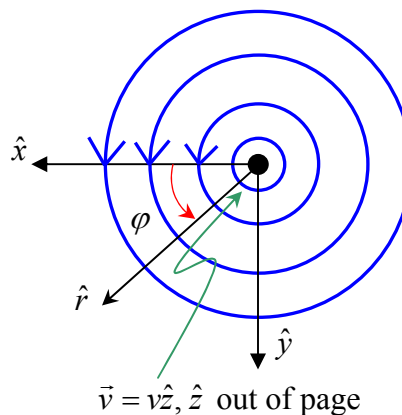
Side View:  $\vec{v} = v\hat{z}$

Face View:  $q > 0$ :  $\vec{B}_q(\vec{r}) = +B_q(\vec{r})\hat{\phi}$



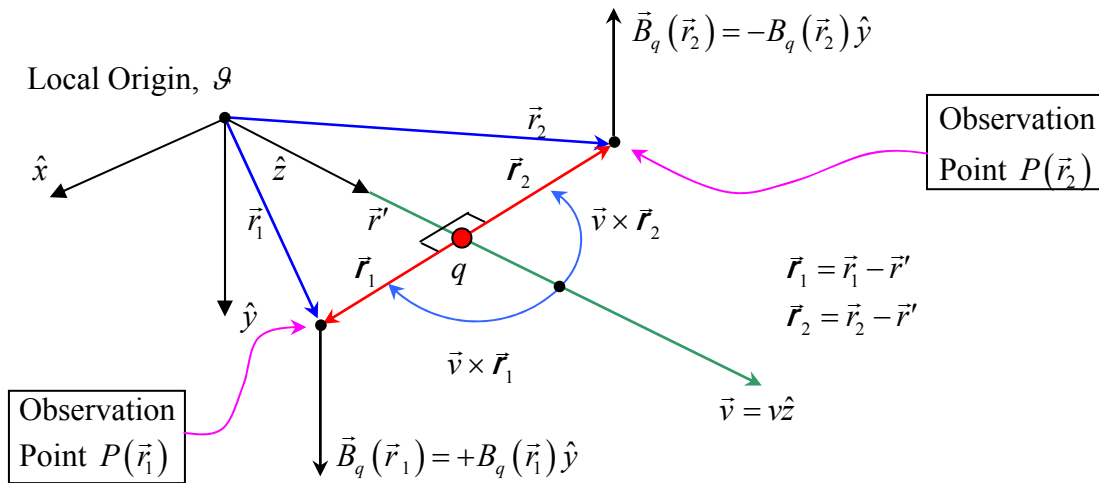
For  $+q > 0$ :  $\vec{B}_q(\vec{r}) = +B_q(\vec{r})\hat{\phi}$

For  $-q < 0$ :  $\vec{B}_q(\vec{r}) = B_q(\vec{r})(-\hat{\phi}) = -B_q(\vec{r})\hat{\phi}$



The macroscopic  $\vec{B}$ -field associated with a moving electrically charged particle is a solenoidal field, i.e.  $\vec{B}_q(\vec{r}) = B_q(\vec{r})\hat{\phi}$ !

Take cross-products e.g.  $\vec{v} \times \vec{r}_1$  and  $\vec{v} \times \vec{r}_2$  to determine the direction of  $B$ -field at observation/field points  $P(\vec{r}_1)$  and  $P(\vec{r}_2)$ , as shown in the figure below:



$$\vec{B}_q(\vec{r}) = \left(\frac{\mu_o}{4\pi}\right) \left(q\vec{v} \times \frac{\hat{r}}{r^2}\right) = \left(\frac{\mu_o}{4\pi}\right) \left(q\vec{v} \times \frac{\vec{r}}{r^3}\right) \text{ Teslas } (= N/Amp-m)$$

This is the magnetic field observed in the lab frame due to a point-like particle with electric charge  $q$  moving with relative velocity  $v \ll c$  in the lab frame.

By deliberate construction (here),  $\vec{r}_1 = \vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}'$  and  $\vec{r}_2 = \vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}'$  are (momentarily)  $\perp$  to  $\vec{v}$

In general:  $\vec{v} \times \vec{r} = v r \sin \Theta \hat{\phi}$ , where  $\Theta =$  angle between  $\vec{v}$  and  $\vec{r}$  ( $= 90^\circ$  here).

Charged particle's velocity vector is  $\vec{v} = v\hat{z}$  and vector  $\vec{r}$  lies in  $x$ - $z$  plane (here).

The above pix shows the situation at the so-called distance of closest approach of the point-like charged particle to the observation/field point  $P(\vec{r})$ , then  $|\vec{r}| = |\vec{r} - \vec{r}'| =$  minimum, and

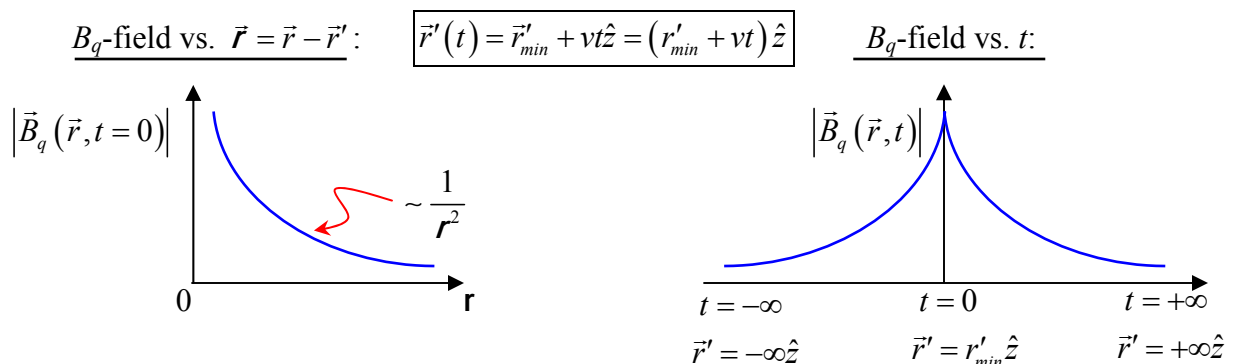
$\Theta = 90^\circ$ ,  $\sin \Theta = \sin(90^\circ) = 1$ . Let's say that this occurs at time  $t = 0$ .

Then (here) at the distance of closest approach:  $\vec{B}_q(\vec{r}, t = 0) = \left(\frac{\mu_o}{4\pi}\right) \left(\frac{qv}{r^2}\right) \hat{\phi}$

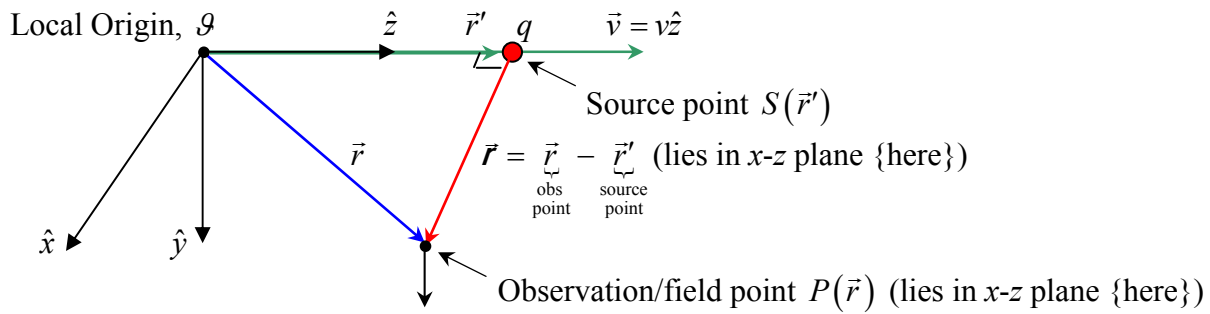
At time  $t = -\infty$  the charged particle is infinitely far away, located at  $(x, y, z) = (0, 0, -\infty)$  traveling

with  $\vec{v} = v\hat{z}$ . Then  $\vec{B}_q(\vec{r}, t = -\infty) = 0$ . Similarly, at time  $t = +\infty$  the charged particle is also

infinitely far away, located at  $(x, y, z) = (0, 0, +\infty)$  traveling with  $\vec{v} = v\hat{z}$ . Then  $\vec{B}_q(\vec{r}, t = +\infty) = 0$ .



At the distance of closest approach ( $t = 0$ ):  $r = |\vec{r}| = |\vec{r} - \vec{r}'| = |\vec{r} - \vec{r}'_{min}| = r_{min} = \text{minimum}$ .



$$\vec{B}_q(r, t = 0) = \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \frac{qv}{r^2} \hat{\phi} = \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \frac{qv}{r^2} \hat{y} \text{ at the distance of closest approach } (t = 0).$$

Note the similarity between  $\vec{E}_q$  and  $\vec{B}_q$ -fields of a point-like electrically charged particle:

$$\vec{E}_q(\vec{r}) = \left( \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_o} \right) \left( \frac{q\hat{r}}{r^2} \right) = \left( \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_o} \right) \left( \frac{q\vec{r}}{r^3} \right) \quad \text{Both } \vec{E}_q \text{ and } \vec{B}_q \text{-fields decrease as } 1/r^2 \text{ from point}$$

$$\vec{B}_q(\vec{r}) = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \left( \frac{q\vec{v} \times \hat{r}}{r^2} \right) = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \left( \frac{q\vec{v} \times \vec{r}}{r^3} \right) \quad \text{charge, due to } 1/r^2 \text{ flux law of virtual photons!!!}$$

### The Macroscopic Magnetic Field $B(r)$ due to a Steady Current $I$ Flowing in an Infinitely Long Filamentary Wire

The principle of linear superposition tells us that we can view the macroscopic magnetic field due to a steady current  $I$  flowing in a long filamentary wire as the linear superposition of magnetic field contributions associated with each of the individual electric charges  $q$  flowing in the filamentary wire that microscopically constitute/make up the macroscopic steady current  $I$ :

$$\vec{B}_I(\vec{r}, t) = \sum_{i=1}^N B_{q_i}(\vec{r}, t) = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) q\vec{v} \times \sum_{i=1}^N \left( \frac{\hat{r}_i(t)}{r_i^2(t)} \right)$$

Where we have assumed (here) that all charge carriers have the same electric charge  $q$  and move along the filamentary wire with the same velocity  $\vec{v} = v\hat{z}$ .

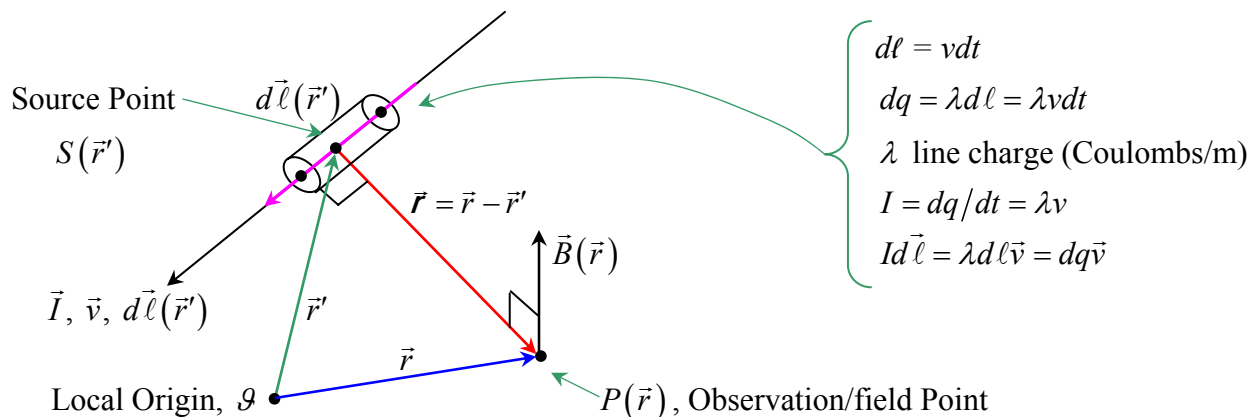
In the limit that the number of electric charges that are microscopically involved in making up the macroscopic current  $I$  becomes so large that the spacing between adjacent charge carriers becomes extremely small, e.g. that of atomic dimensions,  $\sim O(10)$  Angstroms = 1 nm, then if we are only interested in the net/total macroscopic magnetic field associated with macroscopic distance scales, e.g.  $r \sim 1\mu\text{m}$  (and larger), then we can safely replace the summation in the above expression by an integral over a continuum of infinitesimal electric charge contributions  $dq$  all moving along the filamentary wire with velocity  $\vec{v} = v\hat{z}$ .

For steady macroscopic currents  $I \neq \text{fcn}(t)$  the time dependence drops out/vanishes in the microscopic averaging process! If  $N_q \sim O(10^{24})$  total charge carriers, then the fluctuations are  $\sigma_{N_q} = \sqrt{N_q} \sim O(10^{12})$ , thus fractional fluctuations  $\sigma_{N_q}/N_q = 1/\sqrt{N_q} \sim O(10^{-12})$  - negligible!!!

Thus for a macroscopic, steady electric current  $I$  flowing in a long (one-dimensional) filamentary wire (of infinitesimal thickness), the infinitesimal contribution  $d\vec{B}(\vec{r})$  due to a macroscopic current  $I = \lambda_{free} v = dqv/d\ell$  flowing in an infinitesimal length  $d\vec{\ell}$  of current-carrying filamentary wire with associated infinitesimal source charge increment  $dq = Id\ell/v$  is:

$$d\vec{B}(\vec{r}) = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) I \left( d\vec{\ell}(\vec{r}') \times \frac{\vec{r}}{r^3} \right) \quad \text{where} \quad \vec{r} = \vec{r} - \vec{r}'$$

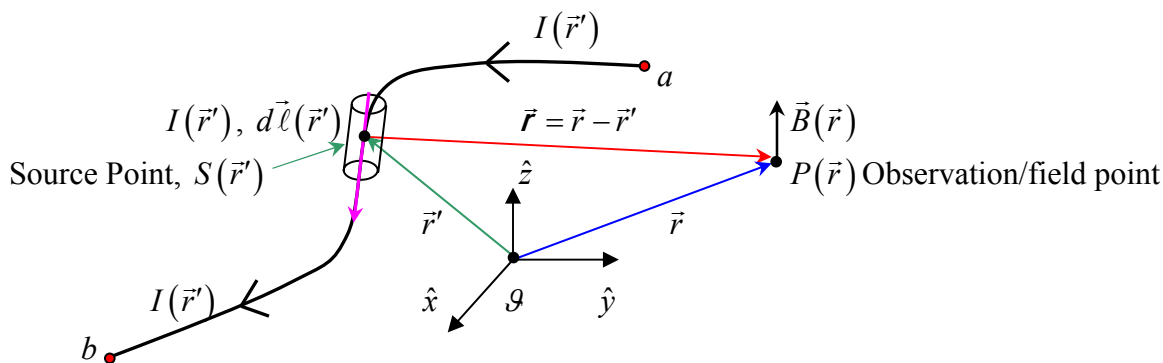
Connection:  $I = qv/\ell \Rightarrow Id\ell = dqv$   $\vec{I}d\ell = Id\vec{\ell}$  (since  $\vec{I} \parallel d\vec{\ell}$ )



n.b. figure drawn for  $d\vec{\ell}(\vec{r}')$  contribution closest to observation/field point  $P(\vec{r})$

Then:  $\vec{B}(\vec{r}) = \int_a^b d\vec{B}(\vec{r}) = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \int_a^b \frac{d\vec{\ell}(\vec{r}') \times \vec{r}}{|\vec{r}|^3} = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \int_a^b \frac{d\vec{\ell}(\vec{r}') \times \hat{r}}{r^2}$   
n.b. assumed to be constant everywhere

n.b. If  $I \neq$  constant everywhere,  $\vec{I}(\vec{r}')d\ell = I(\vec{r}')d\vec{\ell}$  then  $I$  must remain inside the integral!



In general this integral can often be difficult to perform analytically, but it can be easy to do on computer, e.g. using numerical integration techniques!

$$\underbrace{\vec{I}(\vec{r}') d\ell = I(\vec{r}') d\vec{\ell}}_{\text{ @ Source point, } \vec{r}'}$$

$$\vec{B}(\vec{r}) = \left( \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \right) \int_a^b \left( \frac{\vec{I}(\vec{r}') \times \vec{r}}{r^3} \right) d\ell = \left( \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \right) \int_a^b \left( \frac{I(\vec{r}') d\vec{\ell} \times \vec{r}}{r^3} \right) \quad \vec{r} = \vec{r} - \vec{r}'$$

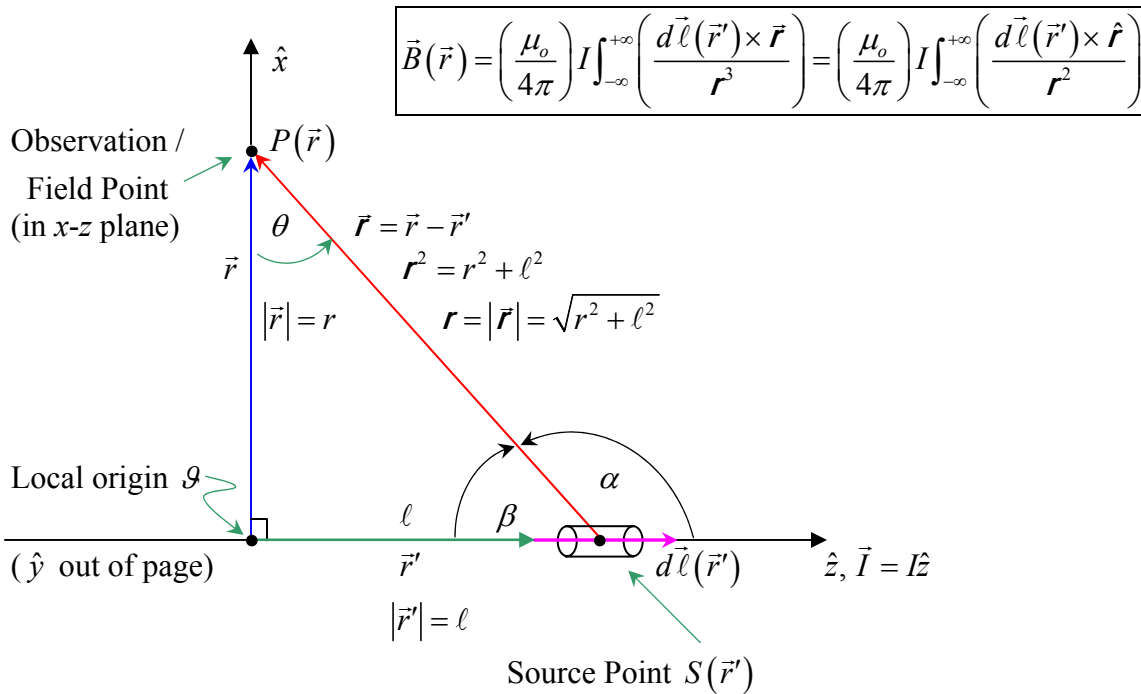
@ Source point,  $\vec{r}'$

If  $I(\vec{r}') = \text{constant}$  everywhere, this expression simplifies to:

$$\vec{B}(\vec{r}) = \left( \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \right) I \int_a^b \left( \frac{d\vec{\ell}(\vec{r}') \times \vec{r}}{r^3} \right)$$

### Griffiths Example 5.5 - The Macroscopic Magnetic Field Due to a Steady Current Flowing in an Infinitely Long Wire:

Find the magnetic field  $\vec{B}(\vec{r})$  a perpendicular distance  $r$  away from an infinitely long straight filamentary wire carrying a steady / constant / uniform current  $I$ .



For this problem, which way does  $d\vec{\ell}(\vec{r}') \times \vec{r}$  point?

Note that:  $d\vec{\ell}(\vec{r}') = d\ell(\vec{r}') \hat{z}$  and that  $\vec{r}$  lies in the  $x$ - $z$  plane. By the right-hand rule, the cross product:  $d\vec{\ell} \times \vec{r} = d\ell \hat{z} \times (r_x \hat{x} + r_z \hat{z}) = r_x d\ell (\hat{z} \times \hat{x}) + r_z d\ell (\hat{z} \times \hat{z}) = r_x d\ell \hat{y}$

Thus,  $d\vec{\ell}(\vec{r}') \times \vec{r} = r_x d\ell \hat{y}$  points in the  $\hat{y}$  direction (i.e. out of the page) here, because the field point  $P(\vec{r})$  (as drawn above) lies in the  $x$ - $z$  plane. However as mentioned earlier,  $d\vec{\ell}(\vec{r}') \times \vec{r}$  actually points in the  $\hat{\phi}$ -direction (n.b.  $\hat{\phi} = \hat{y}$  when  $\varphi = 0$ ).

What is the magnitude of  $d\vec{\ell}(\vec{r}') \times \hat{r}$ ? From the definition of this cross product,

$$|d\vec{\ell}(\vec{r}') \times \hat{r}| \equiv d\ell \sin \alpha \quad \text{where } \alpha = \text{opening angle between } d\vec{\ell}(\vec{r}') \text{ and } \hat{r}.$$

Geometrically:  $\alpha = \pi - \beta$  and also:  $\pi = \theta + \beta + \frac{\pi}{2}$ , hence  $\beta = \frac{\pi}{2} - \theta$

$\therefore \alpha = \pi - \beta = \pi - \frac{\pi}{2} + \theta = \frac{\pi}{2} + \theta$ , thus:

$$\sin \alpha = \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} + \theta \right) = \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \right) \cos \theta + \cos \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \right) \sin \theta = \cos \theta$$

$$\therefore d\vec{\ell} \times \hat{r} = d\ell \sin \alpha \hat{\phi} = d\ell \cos \theta \hat{\phi}$$

From the above figure, note that:  $\cos \theta = \frac{r}{r}$  (or equivalently:  $r = r \cos \theta$ )

$$\text{Then: } \vec{B}(\vec{r}) = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) I \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \left( \frac{d\vec{\ell}(\vec{r}') \times \hat{r}}{r^2} \right) \text{ with: } r^2 = r^2 + \ell^2 \text{ and: } d\vec{\ell}(\vec{r}') \times \hat{r} = d\ell \cos \theta \hat{\phi} = d\ell \left( \frac{r}{r} \right) \hat{\phi}$$

$$\text{Then: } \vec{B}(\vec{r}) = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) I r \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \left( \frac{d\ell}{(r^2 + \ell^2)^{3/2}} \right) \hat{\phi} = 2 \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \frac{I}{r^2} \hat{\phi} = \frac{\mu_o}{2\pi} \frac{I}{r} \hat{\phi}$$

$$\boxed{\vec{B}(\vec{r}) = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{2\pi} \right) \frac{I}{r} \hat{\phi}} \text{ for an infinitely long filamentary wire carrying a steady current } I.$$

An alternative derivation of this result:

Since  $r = r \cos \theta$ , we can equivalently express  $\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\ell$  in terms of an integral over  $\theta$ :

$$d\ell \sin \alpha = d\ell \cos \theta \text{ but note that: } \ell = r \tan \theta \text{ (or equivalently: } \tan \theta = \frac{\ell}{r} \text{)}$$

$$\text{Note also that: } r = r \cos \theta \Rightarrow \frac{1}{r} = \frac{\cos \theta}{r}$$

$$d\ell = \frac{r}{\cos^2 \theta} d\theta \text{ is the Jacobian of the transformation from } d\ell \rightarrow d\theta$$

Now when  $\ell = +\infty$ ,  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$  and when  $\ell = -\infty$ ,  $\theta = -\frac{\pi}{2}$

$$\vec{B}(\vec{r}) = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) I \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \left( \frac{d\vec{\ell}(\vec{r}') \times \hat{r}}{r^2} \right) = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) I \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{+\frac{\pi}{2}} \left( \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{r^2} \right)^{1/2} \left( \frac{r}{\cos^2 \theta} \right)^{d\ell \cos \theta} \cos \theta d\theta \hat{\phi}$$

$$\text{Then: } = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) I \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{+\frac{\pi}{2}} \left( \frac{\cos \theta d\theta}{r} \right) \hat{\phi} = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \frac{I}{r} \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{+\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos \theta d\theta \hat{\phi}$$

$$= \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \frac{I}{r} \left[ \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \right) - \sin \left( -\frac{\pi}{2} \right) \right] \hat{\phi} = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \frac{I}{r} [1 - (-1)] \hat{\phi} = 2 \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \frac{I}{r} \hat{\phi}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\vec{B}(\vec{r}) = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{2\pi} \right) \frac{I}{r} \hat{\phi}} \text{ for an infinitely long filamentary wire carrying steady current } I.$$

Note that  $\vec{B}(\vec{r})$  falls off as  $1/r$  where  $r = \perp$  distance from the infinitely long wire.

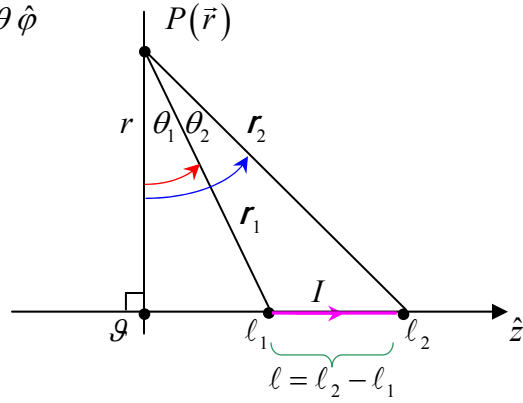
**The Macroscopic Magnetic Field due to a Steady Current Flowing in a Finite Length Wire:**

What is the  $\vec{B}$ -field associated with a steady current  $I$  flowing down a finite length filamentary wire (of length  $\ell$ )? Same configuration/geometry as before/above for infinite length wire.

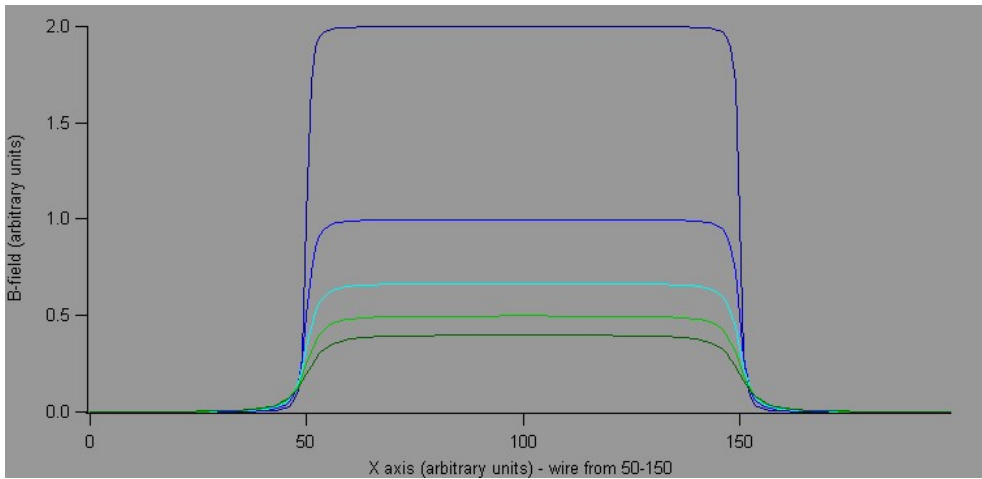
$$\vec{B}_{finite\ wire}(\vec{r}) = \left(\frac{\mu_o}{4\pi}\right) \frac{I}{r} \int_{\ell_1}^{\ell_2} \frac{d\ell \hat{\phi}}{(r^2 + \ell^2)} = \left(\frac{\mu_o}{4\pi}\right) \frac{I}{r} \int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} \cos\theta d\theta \hat{\phi}$$

$$\vec{B}_{finite\ wire}(\vec{r}) = \left(\frac{\mu_o}{4\pi}\right) \frac{I}{r} (\sin\theta_2 - \sin\theta_1) \hat{\phi}$$

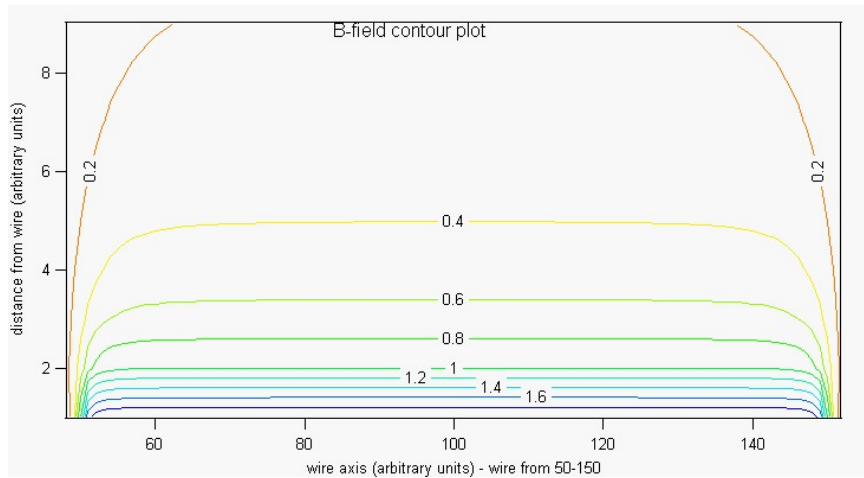
Where:  $\sin\theta_1 = \frac{\ell_1}{\sqrt{r^2 + \ell_1^2}}, \quad \sin\theta_2 = \frac{\ell_2}{\sqrt{r^2 + \ell_2^2}}$



Fall '06 P435 Student – Michael Wiczer made plots of the magnitude of the B-field along finite length wire for 5 different choices of current:

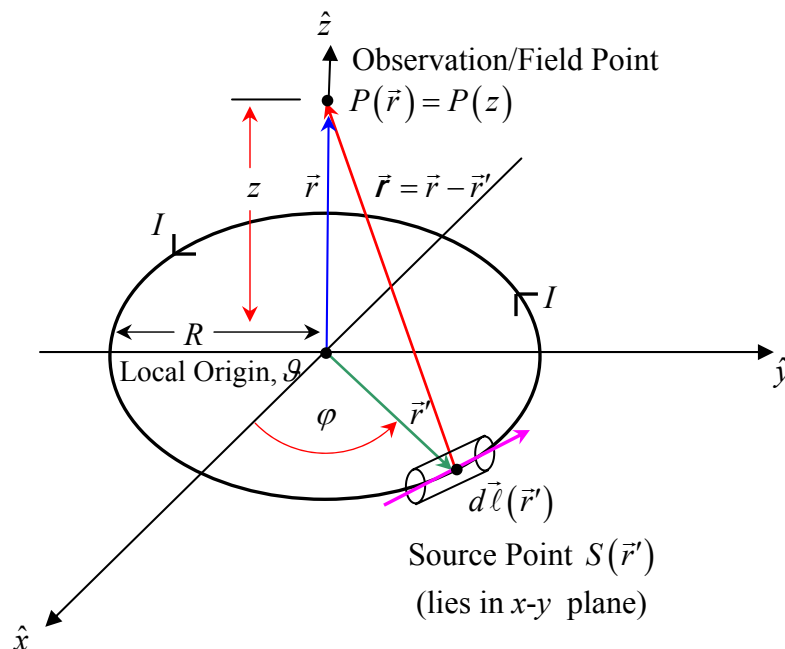


M. Wiczer’s contour plot of magnitude of B-field for steady current  $I$  flowing down finite-length wire:



### Griffiths Example 5.6 - The Macroscopic Magnetic Field Due to Circular Steady Current On the Symmetry Axis of a Current Loop:

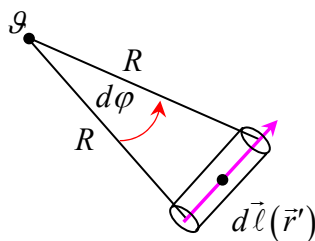
A circular filamentary current loop of radius  $R$  lies in  $x$ - $y$  plane, with a steady current  $I$  circulating anti-clockwise (viewed from above), as shown in the figure below:



$$\boxed{\vec{B}_{loop}(\vec{r}) = \left(\frac{\mu_o}{4\pi}\right) I \oint_C \frac{d\vec{\ell}(\vec{r}') \times \hat{r}}{r^2}} \quad \text{or:} \quad \boxed{\vec{B}_{loop}(\vec{r}) = \left(\frac{\mu_o}{4\pi}\right) I \oint_C \frac{d\vec{\ell}(\vec{r}') \times \vec{r}}{r^3}}$$

What is  $d\vec{\ell}(\vec{r}') \times \vec{r}$  for this particular problem?

By the arc-length formula  $S = R\theta$ , the infinitesimal segment of current loop  $d\ell = |d\vec{\ell}(\vec{r}')| = R d\varphi$



and: 
$$\boxed{d\vec{\ell}(\vec{r}') = (R d\varphi)(\sin \varphi (-\hat{x}) + \cos \varphi \hat{y})}$$
  

$$= R d\varphi (-\sin \varphi \hat{x} + \cos \varphi \hat{y}) \quad \Leftarrow \text{ can see this easily e.g. when } \varphi = 0 \text{ and } \varphi = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

and: 
$$\boxed{\vec{r} \equiv \vec{r} - \vec{r}' = \vec{z} - \vec{r}'}$$
 since  $\boxed{\vec{r} = \vec{z} = z\hat{z}}$  and  $\boxed{\vec{r}' = R(\cos \varphi \hat{x} + \sin \varphi \hat{y})}$   

$$\therefore \boxed{\vec{r} = \vec{z} - \vec{r}' = z\hat{z} - R(\cos \varphi \hat{x} + \sin \varphi \hat{y})}$$



Thus:

$$\begin{aligned} (d\vec{\ell}(\vec{r}') \times \vec{r}) &= d\vec{\ell}(\vec{r}') \times (\vec{r} - \vec{r}') = d\vec{\ell}(\vec{r}') \times (\vec{z} - \vec{r}') = d\vec{\ell}(\vec{r}') \times (z\hat{z} - R(\cos\varphi\hat{x} + \sin\varphi\hat{y})) \\ &= Rd\varphi(-\sin\varphi\hat{x} + \cos\varphi\hat{y}) \times (z\hat{z} - R(\cos\varphi\hat{x} + \sin\varphi\hat{y})) \end{aligned}$$

Now:

$\hat{x} \times \hat{y} = +\hat{z} \quad \hat{y} \times \hat{x} = -\hat{z} \quad \hat{x} \times \hat{x} = 0$ $\hat{y} \times \hat{z} = +\hat{x} \quad \hat{z} \times \hat{y} = -\hat{x} \quad \hat{y} \times \hat{y} = 0$ $\hat{z} \times \hat{x} = +\hat{y} \quad \hat{x} \times \hat{z} = -\hat{y} \quad \hat{z} \times \hat{z} = 0$	$\Leftarrow$ Very useful table...
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Thus:

$$\begin{aligned} (d\vec{\ell}(\vec{r}') \times \vec{r}) &= Rd\varphi \left\{ \begin{aligned} &-z \sin\varphi \underbrace{(\hat{x} \times \hat{z})}_{=-\hat{y}} + z \cos\varphi \underbrace{(\hat{y} \times \hat{z})}_{=+\hat{x}} \\ &+ R \sin\varphi \cos\varphi \underbrace{(\hat{x} \times \hat{x})}_{=0} - R \cos^2\varphi \underbrace{(\hat{y} \times \hat{x})}_{=-\hat{z}} \\ &+ R \sin^2\varphi \underbrace{(\hat{x} \times \hat{y})}_{=+\hat{z}} - R \sin\varphi \cos\varphi \underbrace{(\hat{y} \times \hat{y})}_{=0} \end{aligned} \right\} \\ (d\vec{\ell}(\vec{r}') \times \vec{r}) &= Rd\varphi \{ +z \sin\varphi\hat{y} + z \cos\varphi\hat{x} + R \cos^2\varphi\hat{z} + R \sin^2\varphi\hat{z} \} \\ &= Rd\varphi \{ +z \sin\varphi\hat{y} + z \cos\varphi\hat{x} + R [\cos^2\varphi + \sin^2\varphi] \hat{z} \} \\ &= Rd\varphi \{ +z \sin\varphi\hat{y} + z \cos\varphi\hat{x} + R\hat{z} \} \end{aligned}$$

Finally:

$$(d\vec{\ell}(\vec{r}') \times \vec{r}) = Rd\varphi \{ z(\cos\varphi\hat{x} + \sin\varphi\hat{y}) + R\hat{z} \}$$

Now:  $r = |\vec{r}| = |\vec{r} - \vec{r}'| = \sqrt{z^2 + R^2}$  and  $r^2 = z^2 + R^2$  and also  $r^3 = (z^2 + R^2)^{3/2}$

Then:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{B}_{loop}(\vec{r}) &= \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) I \oint_C \frac{d\vec{\ell}(\vec{r}') \times \vec{r}}{r^3} = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) I \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{Rd\varphi \{ z(\cos\varphi\hat{x} + \sin\varphi\hat{y}) + R\hat{z} \}}{(z^2 + R^2)^{3/2}} \\ &= \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) I \frac{Rz}{(z^2 + R^2)^{3/2}} \left[ \int_0^{2\pi} \cos\varphi d\varphi \hat{x} + \int_0^{2\pi} \sin\varphi d\varphi \hat{y} \right] + \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \frac{IR^2}{(z^2 + R^2)^{3/2}} \int_0^{2\pi} d\varphi \hat{z} \end{aligned}$$

n.b each of these 2 terms will individually vanish / cancel when integrated over all  $\varphi$  - i.e. from  $0 \leq \varphi \leq 2\pi$  !!

$$\vec{B}_{loop}(\vec{r}) = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) I \frac{Rz}{(z^2 + R^2)^{3/2}} \left[ +\cancel{\sin\varphi} \Big|_0^{2\pi} \hat{x} - \cancel{\cos\varphi} \Big|_0^{2\pi} \hat{y} \right] + 2\pi \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \frac{IR^2}{(z^2 + R^2)^{3/2}} \hat{z}$$

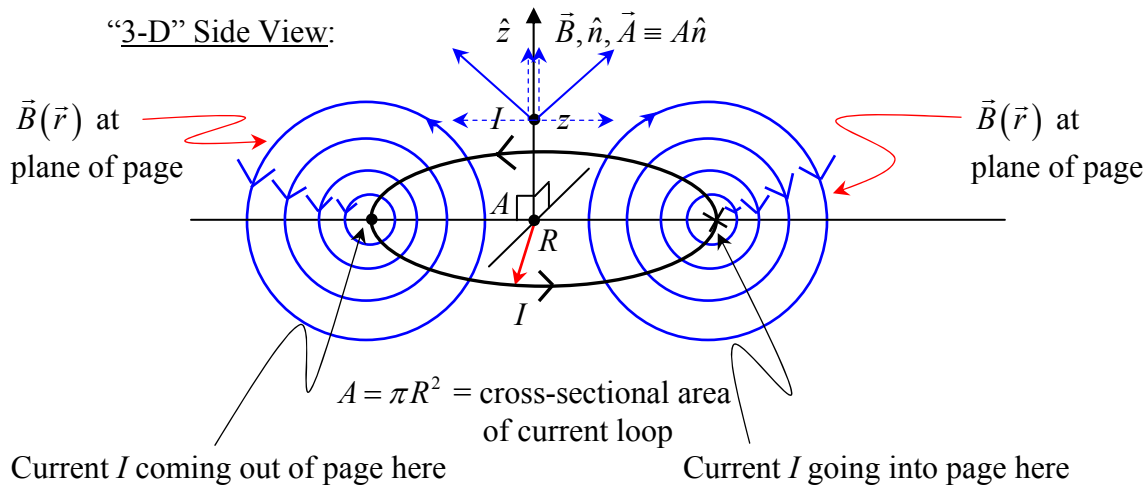
Finally:

$$\vec{B}_{loop}(\vec{r}) = \left( \frac{\mu_0}{2} \right) I \frac{R^2}{(z^2 + R^2)^{3/2}} \hat{z}$$

The  $\vec{B}$ -field on symmetry axis of a steady current-carrying loop of radius  $R$  points in  $\hat{z}$  direction  
 Note also that  $\vec{B}_{loop}(r = z\hat{z})$  falls off as  $\sim 1/z^3$  just as a magnetic dipole field should!!

i.e.  $\vec{B}_{loop}(r = z\hat{z})$  is the on-axis  $\vec{B}$ -field of a physical (i.e. spatially-extended) magnetic dipole!  
 $\Rightarrow$  A loop carrying a current  $I$  generates a magnetic dipole field!!!

The  $\vec{B}$ -field due to a current loop, on the symmetry ( $\hat{z}$ )-axis of the loop:



Note that at the observation point  $\vec{r} = z\hat{z}$ , the “normal” components of  $\vec{B}$  (i.e. those  $\perp$  to the  $\hat{z}$ -axis) cancel, whereas the “parallel” components of  $\vec{B}$  (i.e. those  $\parallel$  to the  $\hat{z}$ -axis) add!

The vector area of the current-carrying loop is  $\vec{A} = A\hat{n}$  (where  $\hat{n}$  is defined by right-hand rule associated with direction of current circulation).

### The Magnetic Dipole Moment of a Current-Carrying Loop of Cross-Sectional Area $\vec{A}$

The magnetic dipole moment is defined as:  $\vec{m} \equiv I\vec{A}$  ( $= \pi R^2 I\hat{z}$  here) (SI units: Ampere-meters<sup>2</sup>)

The vector area of the loop is:  $\vec{A}_{loop} = \pi R^2 \hat{n}$  ( $\hat{n} = \hat{z}$  here), the scalar area of the loop:  $A_{loop} = \pi R^2$

### The Magnetic Field on the Symmetry Axis of an $N$ -Turn Current-Carrying Loop:

Instead of a single current-carrying loop, what would be the  $\vec{B}$ -field associated with  $N$  turns (of very fine wire) for the planar current-carrying loop?

Using the principle of linear superposition:  $I_{TOT} = NI$ .

Thus on the symmetry axis of an  $N$ -turn planar loop of radius  $R$  carrying a steady current  $I$ :

$$\vec{B}_{N\text{-turn loop of radius } R}(z) = N\vec{B}_{1\text{-turn loop of radius } R}(z) = N \left( \frac{1}{2} \mu_o I \frac{R^2}{(z^2 + R^2)^{3/2}} \hat{z} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \mu_o NI \frac{R^2}{(z^2 + R^2)^{3/2}} \hat{z}$$

The superposition principle also works for / is valid for magnetic phenomena since it is intimately connected to electric phenomena via common / same microscopic physics!

### The Macroscopic Magnetic Fields Associated with Line, Surface and Volume Currents:

For line, surface and volume currents, we summarize their corresponding magnetic fields below:

<u>Line Currents:</u>	$\vec{B}_{line\ current}(\vec{r}) = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \int_{C'} \frac{Id\vec{\ell}'(\vec{r}') \times \hat{r}}{r^2} = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \int_{C'} \frac{\vec{I}(\vec{r}') \times \hat{r}}{r^2} d\ell'$
<u>Surface Currents:</u>	$\vec{B}_{surface\ current}(\vec{r}) = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \int_{S'} \frac{\vec{K}(\vec{r}') \times \hat{r}}{r^2} dA'$ where $\vec{r} = \vec{r} - \vec{r}'$ , and $r =  \vec{r}  =  \vec{r} - \vec{r}' $
<u>Volume Currents:</u>	$\vec{B}_{volume\ current}(\vec{r}) = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \int_{V'} \frac{\vec{J}(\vec{r}') \times \hat{r}}{r^2} d\tau'$ and $\hat{r} = \vec{r} /  \vec{r}  = \vec{r} - \vec{r}' /  \vec{r} - \vec{r}' $

n.b. The primed variables denotes integration over the relevant source current distributions.

### The Biot-Savart Law:

#### The Calculation of Forces on Current-Carrying Conductors Due to Other Current-Carrying Conductors

We have previously derived (in P435 Lecture Notes 13) that the net macroscopic magnetic force  $\vec{F}_m$  on a current-carrying wire immersed in an external magnetic field  $\vec{B}_{ext}(\vec{r}')$  was:

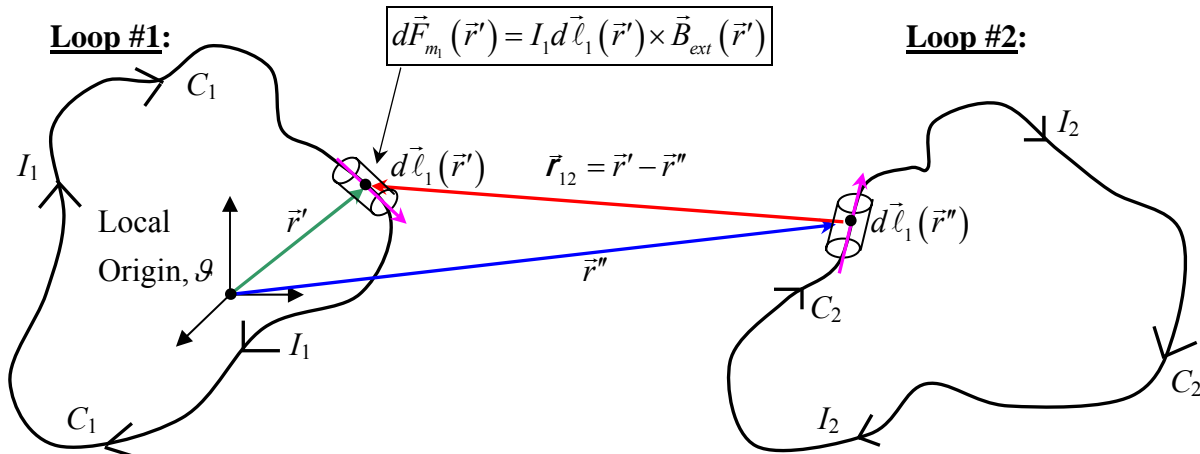
$$\boxed{\vec{F}_m = \int_C d\vec{F}_m(\vec{r}') = I \int_C d\vec{\ell}(\vec{r}') \times \vec{B}_{ext}(\vec{r}')} \quad \text{iff } I = \text{constant/steady/uniform current!}$$

If  $I = I(\vec{r}')$  is not constant/steady/uniform in space, then more generally:

$$\boxed{\vec{F}_m = \int_C \vec{I}(\vec{r}') \times \vec{B}_{ext}(\vec{r}') d\ell}$$

Now let us consider what  $\vec{F}_m$  would be if  $\vec{B}_{ext}(\vec{r}')$  is due to a 2<sup>nd</sup> current-carrying loop. For simplicity's sake, we will assume that all currents involved are steady currents.

#### Two Amperian Current Loops:



The infinitesimal force  $d\vec{F}_m(\vec{r}')$  acting on a line segment  $d\vec{\ell}_1(\vec{r}')$  on loop #1 is due to the net macroscopic magnetic field  $\vec{B}_{ext}(\vec{r}')$  at the point  $\vec{r}'$  that is created by the steady current  $I_2$  flowing in loop #2.

Thus:  $\boxed{d\vec{F}_m(\vec{r}') = I_1 d\vec{\ell}_1(\vec{r}') \times \vec{B}_{ext}(\vec{r}')} =$  infinitesimal force acting on line segment  $d\vec{\ell}_1(\vec{r}')$  of loop #1 due to net  $\vec{B}$ -field from second current loop #2

Then the net force on the original steady current-carrying loop (loop #1) is:

$$\boxed{\vec{F}_{m_1} = \int_{C_1} d\vec{F}_m(\vec{r}') = I_1 \int_{C_1} d\vec{\ell}_1(\vec{r}') \times \underbrace{\vec{B}_{ext}(\vec{r}')}_{\substack{= \text{magnetic field at source point } \vec{r}' \text{ (on loop \#1) at} \\ d\vec{\ell}_1(\vec{r}') \text{ due to 2}^{nd} \text{ current } I_2 \text{ flowing in loop \#2}}}}$$

What is the net, macroscopic  $\vec{B}$ -field at the point  $\vec{r}'$  arising from the steady current  $I_2$  flowing in the second current loop #2? It is:

$$\vec{B}_{\text{ext}}(\vec{r}') = \left( \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \right) I_2 \oint_{C_2} \frac{d\vec{\ell}_2(\vec{r}'') \times \vec{r}_{12}}{|\vec{r}_{12}|^3} \quad \text{where } \vec{r}_{12} \equiv (\vec{r}' - \vec{r}'') \quad \text{and} \quad |\vec{r}_{12}| = |\vec{r}' - \vec{r}''|$$

Then:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{F}_{m_1} &= \oint_{C_1} d\vec{F}_{m_1}(\vec{r}') = \oint_{C_1} I_1 d\vec{\ell}_1(\vec{r}') \times \vec{B}_{\text{ext}}(\vec{r}') \\ &= \oint_{C_1} I_1 d\vec{\ell}_1(\vec{r}') \times \left[ \left( \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \right) I_2 \oint_{C_2} \frac{d\vec{\ell}_2(\vec{r}'') \times \vec{r}_{12}}{|\vec{r}_{12}|^3} \right] \\ &= \left( \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \right) I_1 I_2 \oint_{C_1} d\vec{\ell}_1(\vec{r}') \times \left[ \oint_{C_2} \frac{d\vec{\ell}_2(\vec{r}'') \times \vec{r}_{12}}{|\vec{r}_{12}|^3} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Or:

$$\vec{F}_{m_1} = \left( \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \right) I_1 I_2 \oint_{C_1} \oint_{C_2} \frac{d\vec{\ell}_1(\vec{r}') \times (d\vec{\ell}_2(\vec{r}'') \times \vec{r}_{12})}{|\vec{r}_{12}|^3} \quad \leftarrow \text{Biot-Savart Law}$$

Now, Newton's 3<sup>rd</sup> Law of Motion holds here, i.e. that:  $\vec{F}_{2 \rightarrow 1} = -\vec{F}_{1 \rightarrow 2}$

Thus:

$$\vec{F}_{m_2} = \left( \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \right) I_2 I_1 \oint_{C_2} \oint_{C_1} \frac{d\vec{\ell}_2(\vec{r}'') \times (d\vec{\ell}_1(\vec{r}') \times \vec{r}_{21})}{|\vec{r}_{21}|^3}$$

where  $\vec{r}_{21} \equiv (\vec{r}'' - \vec{r}') = -(\vec{r}' - \vec{r}'') \equiv -\vec{r}_{12}$  and  $|\vec{r}_{21}| = |\vec{r}'' - \vec{r}'| = |\vec{r}' - \vec{r}''| = |\vec{r}_{12}|$

This relation can be / is easily obtained by permuting indices  $1 \rightleftharpoons 2$  and  $\vec{r}' \rightleftharpoons \vec{r}''$

Explicit proof - Use the vector triple cross-product identity:  $\vec{A} \times \vec{B} \times \vec{C} = \vec{B}(\vec{A} \cdot \vec{C}) - \vec{C}(\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B})$

Expand out the integral for  $\vec{F}_{m_2}$  :

$$\oint_{C_2} \oint_{C_1} \frac{d\vec{\ell}_2(\vec{r}'') \times (d\vec{\ell}_1(\vec{r}') \times \vec{r}_{21})}{|\vec{r}_{21}|^3} = \underbrace{\oint_{C_2} \oint_{C_1} \frac{d\vec{\ell}_1(\vec{r}') (d\vec{\ell}_2(\vec{r}'') \cdot \vec{r}_{21})}{|\vec{r}_{21}|^3}}_{=0!!! \text{ Why?}} - \oint_{C_2} \oint_{C_1} \frac{\vec{r}_{21} (d\vec{\ell}_2(\vec{r}'') \cdot d\vec{\ell}_1(\vec{r}'))}{|\vec{r}_{21}|^3}$$

Why does  $\oint_{C_2} \oint_{C_1} \frac{d\vec{\ell}_1(\vec{r}') (d\vec{\ell}_2(\vec{r}'') \cdot \vec{r}_{21})}{|\vec{r}_{21}|^3} = 0$ ???

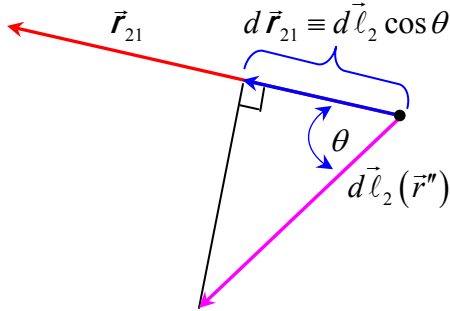
$$\oint_{C_2} \oint_{C_1} \frac{d\vec{\ell}_1(\vec{r}') (d\vec{\ell}_2(\vec{r}'') \cdot \vec{r}_{21})}{|\vec{r}_{21}|^3} = \underbrace{\oint_{C_1} \oint_{C_2} \frac{d\vec{\ell}_1(\vec{r}') (d\vec{\ell}_2(\vec{r}'') \cdot \vec{r}_{21})}{|\vec{r}_{21}|^3}}_{\substack{\text{n.b. Switched order} \\ \text{of integration}}} = \oint_{C_1} d\vec{\ell}_1(\vec{r}') \left[ \underbrace{\oint_{C_2} \frac{(d\vec{\ell}_2(\vec{r}'') \cdot \vec{r}_{21})}{|\vec{r}_{21}|^3}}_{\substack{\text{This integral is carried out} \\ \text{only over closed contour } C_2 \\ \text{of loop \#2}}} \right]$$

Now: 
$$\frac{(d\vec{\ell}_2(\vec{r}'') \cdot \vec{r}_{21})}{|\vec{r}_{21}|^3} = \frac{(d\vec{\ell}_2(\vec{r}'') \cdot \hat{r}_{21})}{|\vec{r}_{21}|^2} \quad \text{since } \vec{r}_{21} = |\vec{r}_{21}| \hat{r}_{21}$$

But what is  $d\vec{\ell}_2(\vec{r}'') \cdot \hat{r}_{21}$ ??

$d\vec{\ell}_2(\vec{r}'') \cdot \hat{r}_{21} = d\ell_2 \cos \theta$  where  $\theta =$  opening between  $d\vec{\ell}_2(\vec{r}'')$  and  $\hat{r}_{21}$

$$d\vec{\ell}_2(\vec{r}'') \cdot \hat{r}_{21} = d\ell_2 \cos \theta = |d\vec{\ell}_2(\vec{r}'')| \cos \theta \equiv d\vec{r}_{21}(\vec{r}'') = |d\vec{r}_{21}(\vec{r}'')|$$



$$\therefore \frac{(d\vec{\ell}_2(\vec{r}'') \cdot \hat{r}_{21})}{|\vec{r}_{21}|^2} = \frac{d\vec{r}_{21}}{|\vec{r}_{21}|^2} \quad \text{Then: } \oint_{C_2} \frac{(d\vec{\ell}_2(\vec{r}'') \cdot \vec{r}_{21})}{|\vec{r}_{21}|^3} = \oint_{C_2} \frac{(d\vec{\ell}_2(\vec{r}'') \cdot \hat{r}_{21})}{|\vec{r}_{21}|^2} = \oint_{C_2} \frac{d\vec{r}_{21}}{|\vec{r}_{21}|^2}$$

But we know that  $\oint_C \frac{d\vec{r}}{r^2} \equiv 0$  around an (arbitrary) closed loop/contour  $C$  !!!

$$\text{e.g. } \Delta V = \oint_C \vec{E}_q(\vec{r}) \cdot d\vec{\ell} = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \oint_C \frac{d\vec{\ell} \cdot \hat{r}}{r^2} = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \oint_C \frac{dr}{r^2} = 0 \quad \text{for a point electric charge!!!}$$

Thus finally:

$$\vec{F}_{m_2} = -\left(\frac{\mu_0}{4\pi}\right) I_2 I_1 \oint_{C_2} \oint_{C_1} \frac{\vec{r}_{21} (d\vec{\ell}_2(\vec{r}'') \cdot d\vec{\ell}_1(\vec{r}'))}{|\vec{r}_{21}|^3}$$

But:  $\vec{r}_{21} \equiv (\vec{r}'' - \vec{r}') = -(\vec{r}' - \vec{r}'') \equiv -\vec{r}_{12}$

And:  $|\vec{r}_{21}| = |\vec{r}'' - \vec{r}'| = |\vec{r}' - \vec{r}''| = |\vec{r}_{12}|$

And:  $\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = \vec{B} \cdot \vec{A}$

$$\text{Thus: } \vec{F}_{m_1} = -\left(\frac{\mu_0}{4\pi}\right) I_1 I_2 \oint_{C_1} \oint_{C_2} \frac{\vec{r}_{12} (d\vec{\ell}_1(\vec{r}') \cdot d\vec{\ell}_2(\vec{r}''))}{|\vec{r}_{12}|^3}$$

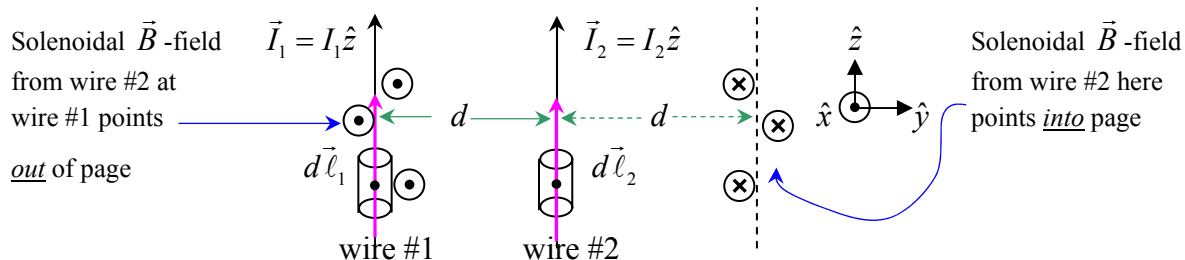
$$\therefore \vec{F}_{m_2} = -\vec{F}_{m_1}$$

Q.E.D.

### Examples of the Use of the Biot-Savart Force Law:

#### The Net Force Between Two Infinitely Long, Parallel Wires Carrying Steady Currents $I_1$ and $I_2$

Referring to the figure below, let's calculate the net force on wire #1 (carrying current  $\vec{I}_1 = I_1 \hat{z}$ ) due to the external magnetic field produced by the (parallel) wire #2 (carrying current  $\vec{I}_2 = I_2 \hat{z}$ ) located a perpendicular distance  $r = d$  away from wire #1. Both wires are infinitely long.



The magnetic field  $\vec{B}_{\text{wire\#2}}(r = d)$  arising from a steady current  $\vec{I}_2 = I_2 \hat{z}$  flowing in wire # 2, at a perpendicular distance  $r = d$  away from wire # 2 is:

$$\vec{B}_{\text{wire\#2}}(r = d) = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \int_{C_2} \frac{\vec{I}_2 d\ell_2 \times \hat{r}}{r^2} = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \int_{C_2} \frac{I_2 d\vec{\ell}_2 \times \hat{r}}{r^2} = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{2\pi} \right) \frac{I_2}{d} \hat{\phi}$$

See pages 5-6 of these lecture notes

#### The Biot-Savart Law:

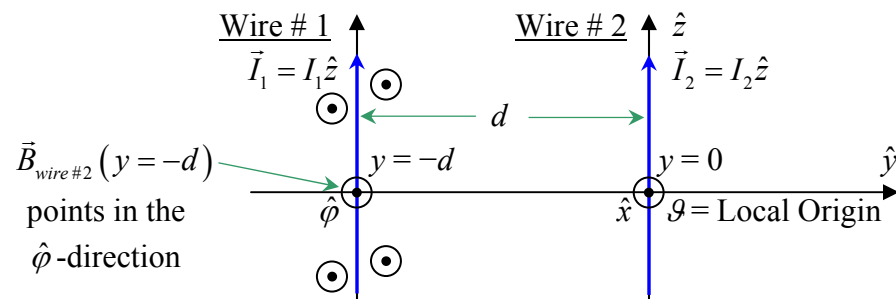
The net magnetic force on current-carrying wire #1 due to  $B$ -field of current-carrying wire #2 is:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{F}_{m_1}^{\text{wire\#1}} &= \int_{C_1} dF_{m_1}(\vec{r}') = \int_{C_1} \vec{I}_1 d\ell_1(\vec{r}') \times \vec{B}_{\text{wire\#2}}(r' = d) \\ &= \int_{C_1} I_1 d\ell_1(\vec{r}') \times \vec{B}_{\text{wire\#2}}(r' = d) = I_1 \int_{C_1} d\ell_1(\vec{r}') \times \vec{B}_{\text{wire\#2}}(r' = d) \end{aligned}$$

But here:  $d\vec{\ell}_1(\vec{r}') = dz \hat{z}$

$$\therefore \vec{F}_{m_1}^{\text{wire\#1}} = I_1 \int_{C_1} dz \hat{z} \times \left( \frac{\mu_o}{2\pi} \right) \frac{I_2}{d} \hat{\phi} = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{2\pi} \right) \frac{I_1 I_2}{d} \int_{C_1} (\hat{z} \times \hat{\phi}) dz = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{2\pi} \right) \frac{I_1 I_2}{d} (\hat{z} \times \hat{\phi}) \int_{C_1} dz$$

Which way does  $(\hat{z} \times \hat{\phi})$  point? If  $\parallel$ -wires are in the  $y$ - $z$  plane and separated by distance  $d$ :



Note that  $\hat{\phi}$  at wire # 1 points in the  $\hat{x}$ -direction ( $\hat{\phi} \parallel \hat{x}$  at wire # 1) – i.e.  $\hat{\phi}$  and  $\hat{x}$  both point out of the page.

Then:  $(\hat{z} \times \hat{\phi}) = \hat{z} \times \hat{x} = +\hat{y}$  (referring to useful table on p. 8 of these lecture notes).

Then: 
$$\vec{F}_{m_1, \text{wire\#1}}(\vec{r} = -d\hat{y}) = \left(\frac{\mu_o}{2\pi}\right) \frac{I_1 I_2}{d} \hat{y} \int_{C_1} dz$$

But if current-carrying wire #1 is infinitely long, then:  $\int_{C_1} dz = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz = \infty + \infty = \infty !!!$

$\Rightarrow$  The net magnetic force  $\vec{F}_{m_1, \text{wire\#1}}(\vec{r})$  on an infinitely long wire carrying current  $\vec{I}_1 = I_1 \hat{z}$  due to another infinitely long, parallel wire carrying current  $\vec{I}_2 = I_2 \hat{z}$  a  $\perp$  distance  $r$  away is infinite!!!

However, note that the magnetic force per unit length is finite:  $\int_0^{L_1} dz = L_1$

Define force per unit length as: 
$$\vec{f}_{m_1, \text{wire\#1}}(\vec{r} = -d\hat{y}) \equiv \left(\vec{F}_{m_1, \text{wire\#1}}(\vec{r} = -d)\right) / L_1 = \left(\frac{\mu_o}{2\pi}\right) \frac{I_1 I_2}{d} \hat{y}$$

Then by Newton's 3<sup>rd</sup> Law, the magnetic force per unit length acting on wire #2 due to the  $\vec{B}$ -field a perpendicular distance  $d$  away from wire #1 is:

$$\vec{f}_{m_2, \text{wire\#2}}(\vec{r} = 0) \equiv \left(\vec{F}_{m_2, \text{wire\#2}}(\vec{r} = +d)\right) / L_2 = \left(\frac{\mu_o}{2\pi}\right) \frac{I_1 I_2}{d} (-\hat{y}) = -\left(\frac{\mu_o}{2\pi}\right) \frac{I_1 I_2}{d} \hat{y}$$

Thus we see that:  $\vec{F}_{m_2, \text{wire\#2}} = -\vec{F}_{m_1, \text{wire\#1}}$  or:  $\vec{f}_{m_2, \text{wire\#2}} = -\vec{f}_{m_1, \text{wire\#1}}$  as they must by Newton's 3<sup>rd</sup> Law

"For every action there is an equal and opposite reaction"

Note that:  $\vec{f}_{m_1, \text{wire\#1}} = \dots (+\hat{y})$  and  $\vec{f}_{m_2, \text{wire\#2}} = \dots (-\hat{y})$

i.e. parallel wires carrying currents in the same direction attract each other!

$\Rightarrow$  parallel wires carrying currents in opposite directions repel each other!



**Macroscopic Magnetic Forces and Torques on**
 $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Line} \\ \text{Surface} \\ \text{Volume} \end{array} \right\}$ 
**Current Densities**
 $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \vec{I} = \lambda \vec{v} \\ \vec{K} \\ \vec{J} \end{array} \right\}$   
**In an External Magnetic Field**  $\vec{B}_{ext}(\vec{r})$

1.) Moving point charge  $q$  located at  $\vec{r}'$  in an externally-applied magnetic field  $\vec{B}_{ext}(\vec{r}')$ :

$$\vec{F}_m = q\vec{v}(\vec{r}') \times \vec{B}_{ext}(\vec{r}')$$

$$\vec{\tau}_m = \vec{r} \times \vec{F}_m = q\vec{r} \times [\vec{v}(\vec{r}') \times \vec{B}_{ext}(\vec{r}')] ]$$

2.) Filamentary line current carrying conductor in externally-applied magnetic field  $\vec{B}_{ext}(\vec{r}')$ :

$$\vec{F}_m = \int_{C'} \vec{I}(\vec{r}') \times \vec{B}_{ext}(\vec{r}') d\ell = \int_{C'} Id\vec{\ell}(\vec{r}') \times \vec{B}_{ext}(\vec{r}')$$

$$\vec{\tau}_m = \int_{C'} \vec{r}' \times d\vec{F}_m(\vec{r}') = \int_{C'} \vec{r}' \times [Id\vec{\ell}(\vec{r}') \times \vec{B}_{ext}(\vec{r}')] ]$$

3.) Surface/sheet current densities in externally-applied magnetic field  $\vec{B}_{ext}(\vec{r}')$ :

$$\vec{F}_m = \int_{S'} \vec{K}(\vec{r}') \times \vec{B}_{ext}(\vec{r}') dA'$$

$$\vec{\tau}_m = \int_{S'} \vec{r}' \times d\vec{F}_m(\vec{r}') = \int_{S'} \vec{r}' \times [\vec{K}(\vec{r}') \times \vec{B}_{ext}(\vec{r}')] dA'$$

4.) Volume current densities in externally applied magnetic field  $\vec{B}_{ext}(\vec{r}')$ :

$$\vec{F}_m = \int_{V'} \vec{J}(\vec{r}') \times \vec{B}_{ext}(\vec{r}') d\tau'$$

$$\vec{\tau}_m = \int_{V'} \vec{r}' \times d\vec{F}_m(\vec{r}') = \int_{V'} \vec{r}' \times [\vec{J}(\vec{r}') \times \vec{B}_{ext}(\vec{r}')] d\tau'$$

If  $\vec{B}_{ext}(\vec{r}')$  is e.g. due to a 2<sup>nd</sup> current-carrying loop (loop #2), with current  $\vec{I}_2 / \vec{K}_2 / \vec{J}_2$ :

i.e. 
$$\vec{B}_{ext}(\vec{r}') = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \oint \frac{I_2 d\vec{\ell}_2(\vec{r}'') \times \vec{r}_{21}}{|\vec{r}_{21}|^3}$$
 where  $\vec{r}_{21} \equiv (\vec{r}'' - \vec{r}')$  and  $|\vec{r}_{21}| = |\vec{r}'' - \vec{r}'|$

then plug this expression for  $\vec{B}_{ext}(\vec{r}')$  into any of the above relations to obtain Biot-Savart formulae for  $\vec{F}_{m_1}$ ,  $\vec{\tau}_{m_1}$ , etc.

**Macroscopic Magnetic Field Intensities  $\vec{B}(\vec{r})$  Produced by a** } **Moving Point Charge  
Line/Surface/Volume  
Current Density**

n.b. The primed variables in the formulae below denote integration over the relevant source current distributions, and  $\vec{r} \equiv \vec{r} - \vec{r}'$ , thus:  $r = |\vec{r}| = |\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|$  and  $\hat{r} = \vec{r}/|\vec{r}| = \vec{r} - \vec{r}'/|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|$ .

*cf* to parallel expression for  $\vec{E}$ -field:

1.)  $\vec{B}$ -field due to a moving point electric charge  $q$  ( $v \ll c$ ):

$$\vec{B}_{q_{free}}(\vec{r}) = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \left( q\vec{v}(\vec{r}') \times \frac{\hat{r}}{r^2} \right) = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \left( q\vec{v}(\vec{r}') \times \frac{(\hat{r} - \hat{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^2} \right)$$

$$= \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \left( q\vec{v}(\vec{r}') \times \frac{\vec{r}}{r^3} \right) = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \left( q\vec{v}(\vec{r}') \times \frac{(\vec{r} - \vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^3} \right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \vec{E}_q(\vec{r}) = \left( \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_o} \right) \left( \frac{q\hat{r}}{r^2} \right)$$

2.)  $\vec{B}$ -field due to a line current  $\vec{I}(\vec{r}')$  (Amps):

$$\vec{B}_I(\vec{r}) = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \int_{C'} \frac{d\vec{\ell}'(\vec{r}') \times \hat{r}}{r^2} = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \int_{C'} \frac{Id\vec{\ell}'(\vec{r}') \times (\hat{r} - \hat{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^2}$$

$$= \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \int_{C'} \frac{Id\vec{\ell}'(\vec{r}') \times \vec{r}}{r^3} = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \int_{C'} \frac{Id\vec{\ell}'(\vec{r}') \times (\vec{r} - \vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^3}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \vec{E}_\lambda(\vec{r}) = \left( \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_o} \right) \int_{C'} \frac{\lambda(\vec{r}') \hat{r}}{r^2} d\ell'$$

3.)  $\vec{B}$ -field due to a surface/sheet current  $\vec{K}(\vec{r}')$  (Amps/m):

$$\vec{B}_K(\vec{r}) = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \int_{S'} \frac{\vec{K}(\vec{r}') \times \hat{r}}{r^2} dA' = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \int_{S'} \frac{\vec{K}(\vec{r}') \times (\hat{r} - \hat{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^2} dA'$$

$$= \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \int_{S'} \frac{\vec{K}(\vec{r}') \times \vec{r}}{r^3} dA' = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \int_{S'} \frac{\vec{K}(\vec{r}') \times (\vec{r} - \vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^3} dA'$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \vec{E}_\sigma(\vec{r}) = \left( \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_o} \right) \int_{S'} \frac{\sigma(\vec{r}') \hat{r}}{r^2} dA'$$

4.)  $\vec{B}$ -field due to a volume current  $\vec{J}(\vec{r}')$  (Amps/m<sup>2</sup>):

$$\vec{B}_J(\vec{r}) = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \int_{V'} \frac{\vec{J}(\vec{r}') \times \hat{r}}{r^2} d\tau' = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \int_{V'} \frac{\vec{J}(\vec{r}') \times (\hat{r} - \hat{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^2} d\tau'$$

$$= \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \int_{V'} \frac{\vec{J}(\vec{r}') \times \vec{r}}{r^3} d\tau' = \left( \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right) \int_{V'} \frac{\vec{J}(\vec{r}') \times (\vec{r} - \vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^3} d\tau'$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \vec{E}_\rho(\vec{r}) = \left( \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_o} \right) \int_{V'} \frac{\rho(\vec{r}') \hat{r}}{r^2} d\tau'$$