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Final- Solutions

Problem 1

A

Question: What are the boundary conditions necessary to solve for the magnetic fields for $x < 0$ and for $0 < x < s$?

Solution:

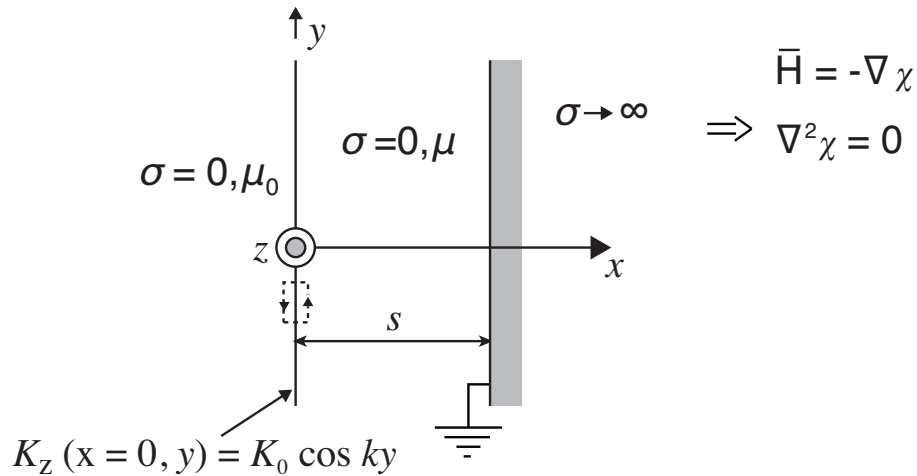


Figure 1: A sheet of surface current at $x = 0$. (Image by MIT OpenCourseWare.)

- B.C. I $\vec{n} \times [\vec{H}_{II} - \vec{H}_I] = \vec{K} \Rightarrow H_y(x = 0_+, y) - H_y(x = 0_-, y) = K_0 \cos ky$
- B.C. II $\chi \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow -\infty$
- B.C. III $\vec{n} \cdot [\mu_{II} \vec{H}_{II} - \mu_I \vec{H}_I] = 0 \Rightarrow H_x(x = s_-, y) = 0$
- B.C. IV $\vec{n} \cdot [\mu_{II} \vec{H}_{II} - \mu_I \vec{H}_I] = 0 \Rightarrow \mu_0 H_x \Big|_{x=0^-} = \mu H_x \Big|_{x=0^+}$

B

Question: What are the magnetic scalar potential and magnetic field distributions for $x < 0$ and $0 < x < s$?

Hint: The algebra will be greatly reduced if you use one of the following forms of the potential for the region $0 < x < s$

- I. $\sin(ky) \cosh k(x - s)$
- II. $\cos(ky) \cosh k(x - s)$
- III. $\sin(ky) \sinh k(x - s)$
- IV. $\cos(ky) \sinh k(x - s)$

Solution:

$$\nabla^2 \chi = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 \chi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \chi}{\partial y^2} = 0$$

General solution is of the form

$$\chi(x, y) = e^{kx} (C_1 \sin ky + C_2 \cos ky) + e^{-kx} (C_3 \sin ky + C_4 \cos ky)$$

For $x < 0$ only e^{kx} term is relevant from B.C. II $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \chi \rightarrow 0$; also from surface current boundary condition I only $\sin ky$ term is needed. Therefore, $\chi(x, y) = C_1 e^{kx} \sin ky$ for $x < 0$. For $x > 0$, we can work with the general solution in sinh, cosh, due to surface current condition in y , only $\sin ky$ term is needed; also due to boundary condition at $x = 0, x = s$ we can use the form

$$\chi(x, y) = A_1 \sin ky \cosh k(x - s) \quad 0 < x < s$$

$$\Rightarrow \chi(x, y) = \begin{cases} C_1 \sin ky e^{kx} & x < 0 \\ A_1 \sin ky \cosh k(x - s) & 0 < x < s \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{H} = -\nabla \chi = \begin{cases} -C_1 k e^{kx} (\sin ky \vec{i}_x + \cos ky \vec{i}_y) & x < 0 \\ -A_1 k (\sin ky \sinh k(x - s) \vec{i}_x + \cos ky \cosh k(x - s) \vec{i}_y) & 0 < x < s \end{cases}$$

$$\text{B.C. III} \Rightarrow H_x \Big|_{x=s} = 0 \Rightarrow \text{satisfied}$$

$$\text{B.C. IV} \Rightarrow \mu_0 H_x \Big|_{x=0^-} = \mu H_x \Big|_{x=0^+} \Rightarrow -\mu_0 C_1 k = -\mu A_1 k \sinh(-ks) \Rightarrow C_1 = -\frac{\mu}{\mu_0} A_1 \sinh ks$$

$$\text{B.C. I} \Rightarrow H_y \Big|_{x=0^+} - H_y \Big|_{x=0^-} = K_0 \cos ky \Rightarrow -A_1 k \cosh(-ks) + C_1 k = K_0$$

$$\Rightarrow -A_1 \cosh ks + C_1 = \frac{K_0}{k} \Rightarrow -A_1 \cosh ks - \frac{\mu}{\mu_0} A_1 \sinh ks = \frac{K_0}{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow A_1 (\mu_0 \cosh ks + \mu \sinh ks) = -\frac{\mu_0 K_0}{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow A_1 = -\frac{\mu_0 K_0}{k(\mu_0 \cosh ks + \mu \sinh ks)}$$

$$\Rightarrow C_1 = \frac{\mu K_0 \sinh ks}{k(\mu_0 \cosh ks + \mu \sinh ks)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \chi = \frac{K_0}{k(\mu_0 \cosh ks + \mu \sinh ks)} \begin{cases} \mu \sinh kse^{kx} \sin ky & x < 0 \\ -\mu_0 \cosh k(x-s) \sin ky & 0 < x < s \end{cases}$$

$$\bar{H} = \frac{K_0}{(\mu_0 \cosh ks + \mu \sinh ks)} \begin{cases} -\mu \sinh kse^{kx} (\sin ky \bar{i}_x + \cos ky \bar{i}_y) & x < 0 \\ +\mu_0 (\sin ky \sinh k(x-s) \bar{i}_x + \cos ky \cosh k(x-s) \bar{i}_y) & 0 < x < s \end{cases}$$

C

Question: What is the surface current distribution on the $x = s$ surface?

Solution:

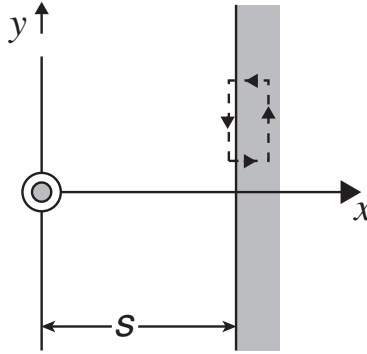


Figure 2: Surface current boundary condition at $x = s$. (Image by MIT OpenCourseWare.)

From magnetic field boundary condition $\bar{n} \times [\bar{H}_{II} - \bar{H}_I] = \bar{K}_S$. Therefore, $-H_y \Big|_{x=s-} = K_{sz} \Big|_{x=s}$.

$$\bar{K}(x = s, y) = -\frac{K_0 \mu_0 \cos ky \bar{i}_z}{\mu_0 \cosh ks + \mu \sinh ks}$$

D

Question: Use the Maxwell Stress Tensor to find the total force, magnitude and direction, on a section of the perfect conductor at $x = s$ that extends over a wavelength $0 < y < \frac{2\pi}{k}$ and $0 < z < D$. Assume that μ in the region $0 < x < s$ does not depend on density so that $\frac{d\mu}{d\rho} = 0$.

Hint: $\int \cos^2(ky) dy = \frac{1}{2}y + \frac{1}{4k} \sin(2ky)$

Solution:

$$T_{xx} = \frac{1}{2} \mu [H_x^2 - H_y^2 - H_z^2] \Big|_{x=s-}$$

$$T_{zx} = \mu H_z H_x \Big|_{x=s-} = 0 \quad (H_z(x, y) = 0)$$

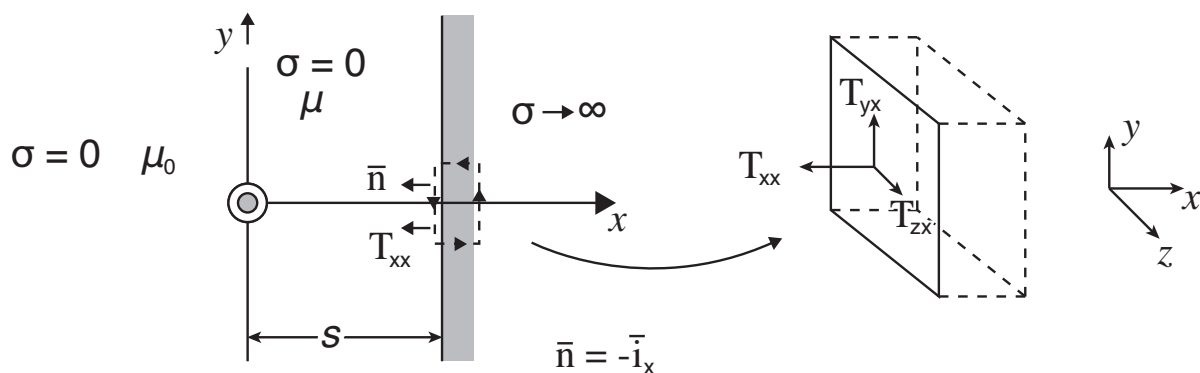


Figure 3: Maxwell Stress tensor used to find force on perfect conductor. (Image by MIT OpenCourseWare.)

$$\begin{aligned}
 T_{yx} &= \mu H_y H_x \Big|_{x=s_-} = 0 \quad \left(H_x \Big|_{x=s_-} = 0 \right) \\
 T_{xx} &= \frac{1}{2} \mu \left[\underbrace{H_x^2}_{0} \Big|_{x=s_-} - H_y^2 \Big|_{x=s_-} \right] = -\frac{1}{2} \mu \left[\frac{K_0 \mu_0}{\mu_0 \cosh ks + \mu \sinh ks} \right]^2 \cos^2 ky \\
 T_{xy} &= T_{yx} = \mu (H_y H_x)_{x=s_-} = 0 \quad \text{because } H_x \Big|_{x=s_-} = 0 \\
 f_x &= \oint_S T_{xj} n_j da \Rightarrow f_x = -D \int_0^{\frac{2\pi}{k}} T_{xx} dy \\
 &= \frac{D\mu}{2} \left[\frac{K_0 \mu_0}{\mu_0 \cosh ks + \mu \sinh ks} \right]^2 \underbrace{\int_0^{\frac{2\pi}{k}} \cos^2 ky dy}_{\left(\frac{y}{2} + \frac{\sin(2ky)}{4k} \right) \Big|_0^{\frac{2\pi}{k}} = \frac{\pi}{k}} \\
 f_x &= \frac{D\mu\pi}{2k} \left[\frac{K_0 \mu_0}{\mu_0 \cosh ks + \mu \sinh ks} \right]^2
 \end{aligned}$$

Problem 2

A

Question: What is the electric field in the free space region, $0 < r < R_1$ as a function of time?

Solution: Charge relaxation.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Conservation of charge} \\ \text{Gauss' Law} \\ \text{Linear Media} \end{array} \right\} \left. \begin{array}{l} \nabla \cdot \bar{J}_f + \frac{\partial \rho_f}{\partial t} = 0 \\ \nabla \cdot \bar{E} = \frac{\rho_f}{\epsilon} \\ \bar{J}_f = \sigma \bar{E} \end{array} \right\} \nabla \cdot \bar{J}_f = \sigma \nabla \cdot \bar{E} = \sigma \frac{\rho_f}{\epsilon} = 0 \left\} \begin{array}{l} \sigma \\ \epsilon \end{array} \rho_f + \frac{\partial \rho_f}{\partial t} = 0$$

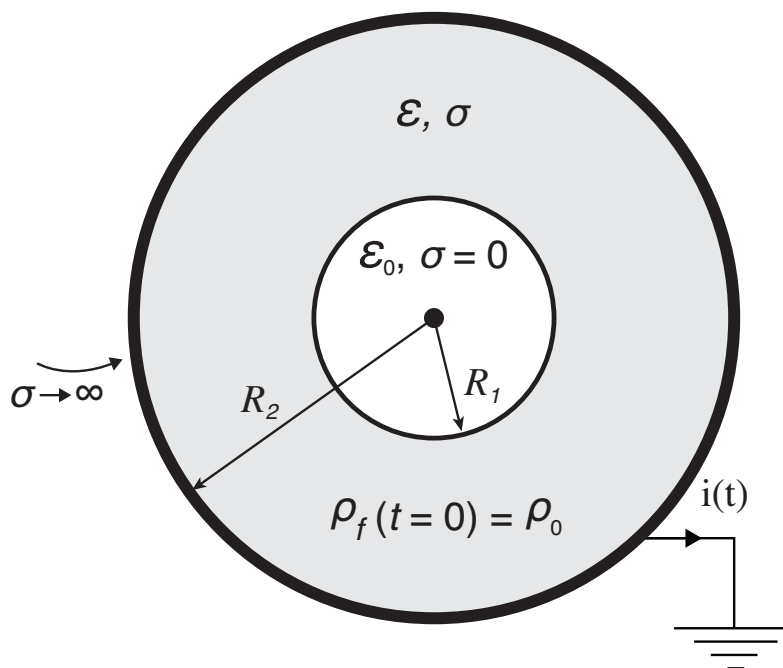


Figure 4: Cylindrical shell of uniform volume charge. (Image by MIT OpenCourseWare.)

$$\Rightarrow \rho_f(t) = \rho_f(t=0)e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} \quad \text{where } \tau = \frac{\epsilon}{\sigma}$$

$$\Rightarrow \rho_f(r, t) = \begin{cases} 0 & 0 < r < R_1 \\ \rho_0 e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} & R_1 < r < R_2 \end{cases}$$

$$\bar{E}(r, t) = 0 \text{ for } 0 \leq r \leq R_1$$

B

Question: What is the volume charge density and electric field within the cylindrical shell, $R_1 < r < R_2$ as a function of radius and time?

Solution: Using Gauss' Law

$$\oint_S \epsilon \bar{E} \cdot d\bar{a} = \int \rho_f dV$$

$$\text{Charge enclosed} \begin{cases} 0 & 0 < r < R_1 \\ \pi(r^2 - R_1^2)d\rho_0 e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} & R_1 < r < R_2 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} 2\pi r d\epsilon_0 E_r = 0 & 0 < r < R_1 \\ 2\pi r d\epsilon E_r = \pi(r^2 - R_1^2)d\rho_0 e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} & R_1 < r < R_2 \end{cases}$$

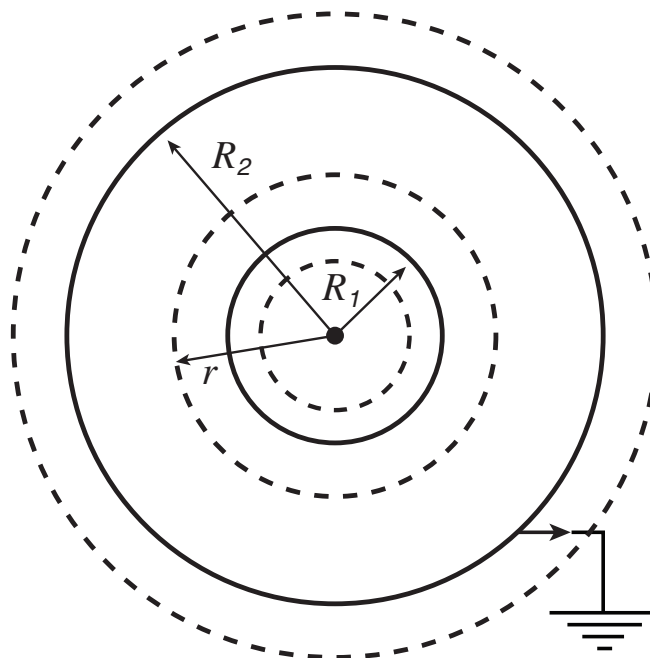


Figure 5: Using Gaussian surfaces (dashes) with Gauss' law to determine the electric field in each region. (Image by MIT OpenCourseWare.)

$$E_r = \begin{cases} 0 & 0 < r < R_1 \\ \frac{r^2 - R_1^2}{2\epsilon r} \rho_0 e^{-t/\tau} & R_1 < r < R_2 \\ 0 & r > R_2 \end{cases}$$

The final case ($r > R_2$) is given by the problem statement.

C

Question: What is the surface charge density on the interface at $r = R_2$?

Solution:

$$\vec{n} \cdot [\vec{D}_{II} - \vec{D}_I] = \sigma_{sf}$$

$$\text{at } r = R_2 : \epsilon_0 E_r \Big|_{r=R_2^+} - \epsilon E_r \Big|_{r=R_2^-} = \sigma_{sf} \Big|_{r=R_2} = -\frac{R_2^2 - R_1^2}{2R_2} \rho_0 e^{-t/\tau}$$

D

Question: What is the ground current, $i(t)$?

Solution: From Ampere's Law

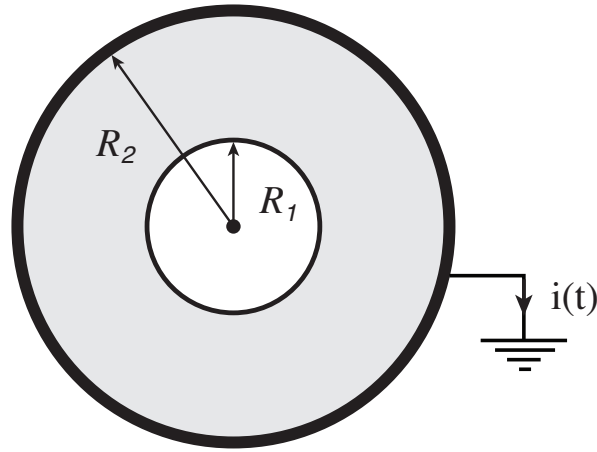


Figure 6: Using conservation of charge at $r = R_2$ to determine the terminal current $i(t)$. (Image by MIT OpenCourseWare.)

$$\nabla \times \bar{H} = \bar{J} + \frac{\partial \bar{D}}{\partial t} \Rightarrow \nabla \cdot \left[\underbrace{\bar{J}}_{\text{conduction current}} + \underbrace{\frac{\partial \bar{D}}{\partial t}}_{\text{displacement current}} \right] = 0$$

\Rightarrow

$$\begin{aligned} i(t) &= 2\pi R_2 d \left(\sigma E_r + \varepsilon \frac{\partial E_r}{\partial t} \right) \Big|_{r=R_2} \\ &= 2\pi R_2 d \left[\sigma \frac{R_2^2 - R_1^2}{2\varepsilon R_2} \rho_0 e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} + \varepsilon \left(-\frac{R_2^2 - R_1^2}{2\varepsilon R_2} \rho_0 \frac{1}{\tau} e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} \right) \right] \\ &= 2\pi R_2 d \left[\sigma \frac{R_2^2 - R_1^2}{2\varepsilon R_2} \rho_0 e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} - \varepsilon \frac{R_2^2 - R_1^2}{2\varepsilon R_2} \rho_0 \frac{\sigma}{\varepsilon} e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} \right] = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$i(t) = 0$$

Problem 3

A

Question: Prove that the magnetic scalar potential χ obeys Laplace's equation for $0 < r < R_p$, and $R_p < r < R$ where $\bar{H} = -\nabla\chi$.

Solution: Since there are no free currents in the regions $0 < r < R_p$ and $R_p < r < R$, from Ampere's Law

$$\nabla \times \bar{H} = \bar{J}_f = 0 \Rightarrow \bar{H} = -\nabla\chi$$

for $0 < r < R_p$

$$\bar{B} = \mu_0(\bar{H} + \bar{M}), \nabla \cdot \bar{B} = 0 \Rightarrow \nabla \cdot \mu_0(\bar{H} + \bar{M}) = 0 \Rightarrow \nabla \cdot \bar{H} = -\nabla \cdot \bar{M}$$

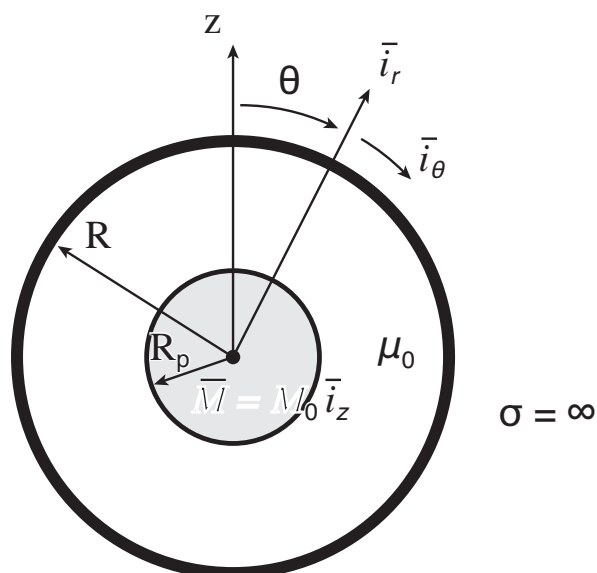


Figure 7: A magnetized sphere. (Image by MIT OpenCourseWare.)

$$\bar{H} = -\nabla\chi \Rightarrow \nabla^2\chi = \nabla \cdot \bar{M} = \frac{\partial M_z}{\partial z} = 0$$

Because M_z is constant, $\nabla^2\chi = 0$.

For $R_p < r < R$:

$$\bar{B} = \mu_0(\bar{H} + \bar{M}), \bar{M} = 0$$

From Gauss' Law

$$\nabla \cdot \bar{B} = 0 \Rightarrow \nabla \cdot (\mu_0 \bar{H}) = 0 \Rightarrow \nabla \cdot (\mu_0 (-\nabla\chi)) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla^2\chi = 0$$

because μ_0 is constant.

B

Question: What are the boundary conditions required to determine the magnetic field in regions $0 < r < R_p$ and $R_p < r < R$?

Solution: B.C. I

$$\bar{n} \cdot [\bar{B}_{II} - \bar{B}_I] = 0 \Rightarrow H_r \Big|_{r=R_-} = 0$$

B.C. II

Since there are no surface currents on $r = R_p$ surface.

$$\bar{n} \times [\bar{H}_{II} - \bar{H}_I] = \bar{K} = 0 \Rightarrow H_\theta \Big|_{r=R_p^+} = H_\theta \Big|_{r=R_p^-}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\bar{B} &= \mu_0(\bar{H} + \bar{M}), \nabla \cdot \bar{B} = 0 \Rightarrow \nabla \cdot (\mu_0(\bar{H} + \bar{M})) = 0 \\
&\Rightarrow \nabla \cdot (\mu_0\bar{H}) = -\nabla \cdot (\mu_0\bar{M}) \Rightarrow \bar{n} \cdot [\mu_0(\bar{H}_{II} - \bar{H}_I)] = -\bar{n} \cdot [\mu_0(\bar{M}_{II} - \bar{M}_I)] \\
&\Rightarrow H_r \Big|_{r=R_p^+} - H_r \Big|_{r=R_p^-} = +M_r \Big|_{r=R_p^-}
\end{aligned}$$

B.C. III

$$H_r \Big|_{r=R_p^+} = H_r \Big|_{r=R_p^-} + M_0 \cos \theta$$

C

Question: Find the magnetic field $\bar{H}(r, \theta)$ in regions $0 < r < R_p$ and $R_p < r < R$.**Solution:**

$$\chi = \begin{cases} Ar \cos \theta & r < R_p \\ Br \cos \theta + \frac{C}{r^2} \cos \theta & R_p < r < R \end{cases}$$

$$\bar{H} = -\nabla\chi = -\frac{\partial\chi}{\partial r}\bar{i}_r - \frac{1}{r}\frac{\partial\chi}{\partial\theta}\bar{i}_\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{H} = -\nabla\chi = \begin{cases} -A \cos \theta \bar{i}_r + A \sin \theta \bar{i}_\theta & r < R_p \\ -(B \cos \theta - \frac{2C}{r^3} \cos \theta)\bar{i}_r + (B \sin \theta + \frac{C}{r^3} \sin \theta)\bar{i}_\theta & R_p < r < R \end{cases}$$

$$\text{B.C. I: } \Rightarrow H_r \Big|_{r=R_-} = 0 \Rightarrow B \cos \theta - \frac{2C}{R^3} \cos \theta = 0 \Rightarrow B = \frac{2C}{R^3} \Rightarrow C = \frac{BR^3}{2}$$

$$\text{B.C. II } \Rightarrow H_\theta \Big|_{r=R_p^-} = H_\theta \Big|_{r=R_p^+} \Rightarrow A \sin \theta = B \sin \theta + \frac{C}{R_p^3} \sin \theta$$

$$A = B + \frac{1}{R_p^3} \frac{R^3}{2} B = B \left(1 + \frac{R^3}{2R_p^3}\right) = \frac{2R_p^3 + R^3}{2R_p^3} B = A$$

B.C. III

$$H_r \Big|_{r=R_p^+} = H_r \Big|_{r=R_p^-} + M_0 \cos \theta$$

$$-B \cos \theta + \frac{2C}{R_p^3} \cos \theta = -A \cos \theta + M_0 \cos \theta$$

$$-B + \frac{2}{R_p^3} \frac{BR^3}{2} = -B - \frac{R^3}{2R_p^3} B + M_0$$

$$B \left(-1 + \frac{R^3}{R_p^3} + 1 + \frac{R^3}{2R_p^3}\right) = M_0 \Rightarrow \frac{3}{2} \frac{R^3}{R_p^3} B = M_0$$

$$B = \frac{2}{3} M_0 \left(\frac{R_p}{R}\right)^3 \Rightarrow C = \frac{BR^3}{2} \Rightarrow C = \frac{1}{3} M_0 R_p^3 \Rightarrow A = M_0 \frac{2R_p^3 + R^3}{3R^3}$$

$$\bar{H} = \begin{cases} M_0 \frac{2R_p^3 + R^3}{3R^3} (-\cos \theta \bar{i}_r + \sin \theta \bar{i}_\theta) & r < R_p \\ -\frac{2M_0}{3} \left[\left(\frac{R_p}{R}\right)^3 - \left(\frac{R_p}{r}\right)^3 \right] \cos \theta \bar{i}_r + \frac{M_0}{3} \left[2 \left(\frac{R_p}{R}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{R_p}{r}\right)^3 \right] \sin \theta \bar{i}_\theta & R_p < r < R \end{cases}$$

D

Question: Find the free surface current density \bar{K} on the $r = R$ surface.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{n} \times [\bar{H}_{II} - \bar{H}_I] &= \bar{K} \\ \Rightarrow -H_\theta \Big|_{r=R^-} &= K_\phi \\ \Rightarrow \bar{K} &= -M_0 \left(\frac{R_p}{R} \right)^3 \sin \theta \bar{i}_\theta\end{aligned}$$

Problem 4

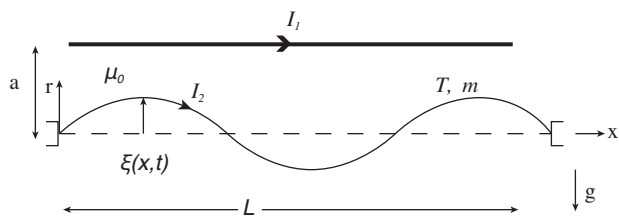


Figure 8: A current carrying string in a magnetic field from a line current. (Image by MIT OpenCourseWare.)

A

Question: To linear terms in membrane displacement $\xi(x, t)$, find the magnetic force per unit length on the string centered at $r = 0$.

Solution: From Ampere's Law, $\oint_C \bar{H} \cdot d\bar{l} = I_{\text{enclosed}} \Rightarrow H_\phi 2\pi r = I_1 \Rightarrow H_\phi = \frac{I}{2\pi r}$. Lorentz Force on the

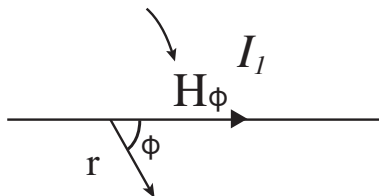


Figure 9: The magnetic field from a line current is determined by using Ampere's circuital law. (Image by MIT OpenCourseWare.)

conducting strings

$$\frac{\bar{F}}{l} = (I_2 \bar{i}_x) \times (\mu_0 \bar{H} \Big|_{r=a-\xi}) = I_2 \frac{\mu_0 I_1}{2\pi(a-\xi)} \bar{i}_r$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{F}{l} = \frac{\mu_0 I_1 I_2}{2\pi} \frac{1}{(a - \xi)} = \frac{\mu_0 I_1 I_2}{2\pi a} \frac{1}{(1 - \frac{\xi}{a})} \approx \frac{\mu_0 I_1 I_2}{2\pi a} \left(1 + \frac{\xi}{a}\right)$$

B

Question: What is the governing linearized differential equation of motion of the membrane?

Solution: The equation of motion for the strings is given by

$$m \frac{\partial^2 \xi}{\partial t^2} = T \frac{\partial^2 \xi}{\partial x^2} - mg + \frac{\mu_0 I_1 I_2}{2\pi a} \left(1 + \frac{\xi}{a}\right)$$

C

Question: What must I_1 be in terms of I_2, m and other relevant parameters so that the membrane is in static equilibrium with $\xi(x, t) = 0$?

Solution: In static equilibrium at $\xi = 0$, $\frac{d}{dt} \rightarrow 0$, therefore

$$0 = -mg + \frac{\mu_0 I_1 I_2}{2\pi a} \Rightarrow I_1 = \frac{2\pi a m g}{\mu_0 I_2}$$

D

Question: For small membrane deflections of the form $\xi(x, t) = \text{Re} \left[\hat{\xi} e^{j(\omega t - kx)} \right]$ find the $\omega - k$ dispersion relation. Plot the $\omega - k$ relationship showing significant intercepts on the axes and slope asymptotes. Assume that k is real and that ω can be pure real or pure imaginary.

Solution: For small deflections from equilibrium point at $\xi = 0$, the perturbation equation is

$$\begin{aligned} m \frac{\partial^2 \xi'}{\partial t^2} &= T \frac{d^2 \xi'}{dx^2} + \frac{\mu_0 I_1 I_2}{2\pi a^2} \xi' \\ \Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 \xi'}{\partial t^2} &= \underbrace{\frac{T}{m}}_{v_p^2} \frac{\partial^2 \xi'}{\partial x^2} + \underbrace{\frac{\mu_0 I_1 I_2}{2\pi a^2 m}}_{\omega_c^2} \xi' \quad v_p^2 = \frac{T}{m}, \omega_c^2 = \frac{\mu_0 I_2 I_1}{2\pi m a^2} = \frac{g}{a} \\ \frac{\partial^2 \xi'}{\partial t^2} &= v_p^2 \frac{\partial^2 \xi'}{\partial x^2} + \omega_c^2 \xi' \end{aligned}$$

For deflections of the form $\xi'(x, t) = \text{Re} \left[\hat{\xi} e^{j(\omega t - kx)} \right]$

$$-\omega^2 \hat{\xi} = -v_p^2 k^2 \hat{\xi} + \omega_c^2 \hat{\xi} \Rightarrow \omega^2 = v_p^2 k^2 - \omega_c^2$$

dispersion relationship: for $I_1 I_2 > 0$, $\omega^2 = v_p^2 k^2 - \omega_c^2$, with $\omega_c^2 > 0$.

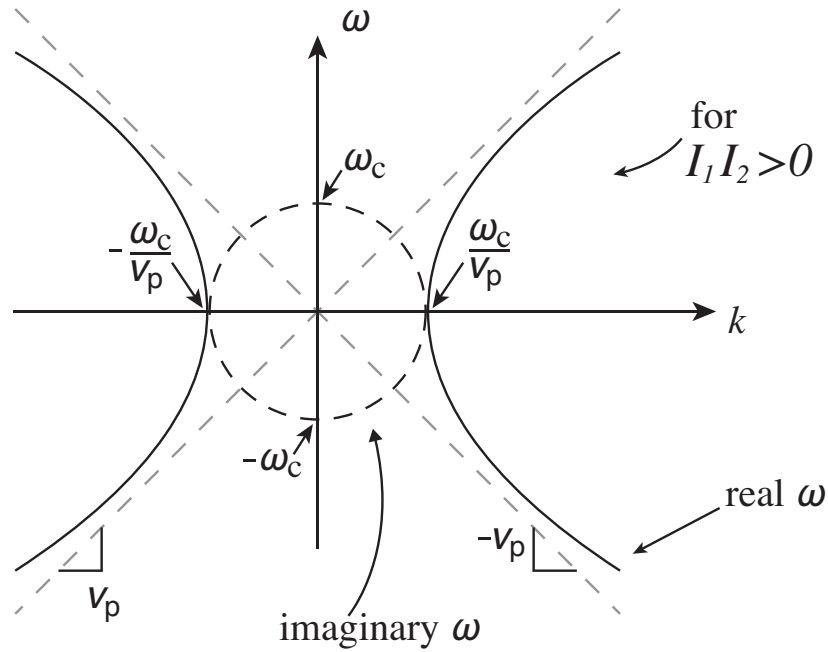


Figure 10: $\omega - k$ dispersion relation with $I_1 I_2 > 0$. (Image by MIT OpenCourseWare.)

E

Question: What are the allowed values of k that satisfy the zero deflection boundary conditions at $x = 0$ and $x = L$?

Solution: From dispersion relationships

$$\omega^2 = v_p^2 k^2 - \omega_c^2 \Rightarrow k^2 = \frac{\omega^2 + \omega_c^2}{v_p^2} \Rightarrow k = \pm \sqrt{\frac{\omega^2 + \omega_c^2}{v_p^2}}$$

For $k_0 = \sqrt{\frac{\omega^2 + \omega_c^2}{v_p^2}}$ where k_0 is the positive root of solution for k the displacement will have solution of the form

$$\xi(x, t) = \text{Re} \left\{ \left(\hat{\xi}_1 e^{-jk_0 x} + \hat{\xi}_2 e^{jk_0 x} \right) e^{j\omega t} \right\}$$

with boundary conditions B.C. I $\xi(x = 0, t) = 0 \Rightarrow \hat{\xi}_1 + \hat{\xi}_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \hat{\xi}_1 = -\hat{\xi}_2$ and

$$\text{B.C. II } \xi(x = L, t) = 0 \Rightarrow \hat{\xi}_1 e^{-jk_0 L} + \hat{\xi}_2 e^{jk_0 L} = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{\xi}_1 e^{-jk_0 L} - \hat{\xi}_1 e^{jk_0 L} = 0$$

$$\hat{\xi}_1 (-2j \sin k_0 L) = 0 \Rightarrow k_0 = \frac{n\pi}{L}, n = 1, 2, 3$$

F

Question: Under what conditions will the membrane equilibrium with $\xi(x, t) = 0$ first become unstable?

Solution: First unstable condition happens when $k = \frac{\pi}{L} = \frac{\omega_c}{v_p}$

$$\frac{\omega_c^2}{v_p^2} = \left(\frac{\pi}{L}\right)^2 \Rightarrow \frac{g}{a} \frac{m}{T} = \left(\frac{\pi}{L}\right)^2$$