

Homework No. 03 (Spring 2019)

PHYS 520B: Electromagnetic Theory

Due date: Tuesday, 2019 Feb 19, 4.30pm

1. **(40 points.)** The current density for a circular loop of radius a carrying a steady current I is given by

$$\mathbf{j}(\mathbf{r}) = \hat{\phi} I \delta(\rho - a) \delta(z), \quad (1)$$

where the the loop is chosen to be in the x - y plane with the origin as its center.

- (a) Using Bio-Savart law and completing the integrals involving δ -functions show that magnetic field has the form

$$\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi' \frac{\left[a^2 \hat{\mathbf{z}} + az \hat{\rho}' - a\rho(\hat{\rho} \times \hat{\phi}') \right]}{\left[z^2 + \rho^2 + a^2 - 2\rho a \cos(\phi - \phi') \right]^{\frac{3}{2}}}. \quad (2)$$

- (b) Substitute $\phi' - \phi \rightarrow \phi'$ and show that

$$\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi' \frac{\left[(a^2 - a\rho \cos \phi') \hat{\mathbf{z}} + az \hat{\rho} \cos \phi' + az \hat{\phi} \sin \phi' \right]}{\left[z^2 + \rho^2 + a^2 - 2\rho a \cos \phi' \right]^{\frac{3}{2}}}. \quad (3)$$

- (c) The ϕ' integral can not be completed in terms of elementary functions. Show that in terms of the complete elliptic integrals of the first and second kind,

$$K(k) = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} d\psi \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - k^2 \sin^2 \psi}}, \quad (4a)$$

$$E(k) = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} d\psi \sqrt{1 - k^2 \sin^2 \psi}, \quad (4b)$$

respectively, the magnetic field is

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r}) = & \hat{\mathbf{z}} \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \frac{2}{\sqrt{z^2 + (\rho + a)^2}} \left[K(k) - \frac{(z^2 + \rho^2 - a^2)}{z^2 + (\rho - a)^2} E(k) \right] \\ & - \hat{\rho} \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \frac{2}{\sqrt{z^2 + (\rho + a)^2}} \frac{z}{\rho} \left[K(k) - \frac{(z^2 + \rho^2 + a^2)}{z^2 + (\rho - a)^2} E(k) \right], \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

where

$$k^2 = \frac{4a\rho}{z^2 + (\rho + a)^2}. \quad (6)$$

Hint: Show that the contributions to the ϕ' integral in Eq. (3) gets equal contributions from 0 to π and π to 2π . In particular, use the form with $(z^2 + \rho^2 + a^2 + 2\rho a \cos \phi')$ in the denominator. Then, use the half-angle formula to obtain the integral in terms of the complete elliptic integrals. It is useful to identify

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} d\psi \frac{1}{(1 - k^2 \sin^2 \psi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} = \frac{E(k)}{(1 - k^2)}. \quad (7)$$

2. A charged spherical shell carries a charge q . It rotates with angular velocity $\boldsymbol{\omega}$ about a diameter, say z -axis.

(a) Show that the current density generated by this motion is given by

$$\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{q}{4\pi a^2} \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r} \delta(r - a). \quad (8)$$

Hint: Use $\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{r}) = \rho(\mathbf{r})\mathbf{v}$ and $\mathbf{v} = \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r}$ for circular motion.

(b) Using

$$\mathbf{m} = \frac{1}{2} \int d^3r \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{r}). \quad (9)$$

determine the magnetic dipole moment of the rotating sphere to be

$$\mathbf{m} = \frac{qa^2}{3} \boldsymbol{\omega}. \quad (10)$$

(c) Calculate the vector potential $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r})$ inside and outside the sphere, without choosing \mathbf{r} to be along $\hat{\mathbf{z}}$.

Hint: Observe that

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\mathbf{r}} &= \sin \theta \cos \phi \hat{\mathbf{i}} + \sin \theta \sin \phi \hat{\mathbf{j}} + \cos \theta \hat{\mathbf{k}} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{8\pi}{3}} \left[-Y_{11}(\theta, \phi) + Y_{1,-1}(\theta, \phi) \right] \hat{\mathbf{i}} + \frac{1}{2i} \sqrt{\frac{8\pi}{3}} \left[-Y_{11}(\theta, \phi) - Y_{1,-1}(\theta, \phi) \right] \hat{\mathbf{j}} \\ &\quad + \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{3}} Y_{10}(\theta, \phi) \hat{\mathbf{k}}. \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$