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Magnetism

First lecture

The magnetic field

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Introduction to magnetism

- The story of magnetism begins with a mineral called magnetite (Fe3O4), the first magnetic material known to man.
- Its early history is obscure, but its power of attracting iron was certainly known 2500 years ago.
- Magnetite is widely distributed. In the ancient world the most plentiful deposits occurred in the district of Magnesia, in what is now modern Turkey.

Introduction to magnetism

- This north-pointing property of magnetite accounts for the old English word lodestone for this substance; it means "waystone," because it pointsthe way.
- The first truly scientific study of magnetism was made by the Englishman William Gilbert (1540–1603), who published his classic book On the Magnet in 1600.



The applications of magnetic fields:

- ✓ the magnetic recording of music and images on audiotape and videotape.
- \checkmark CD and DVD players and computer hard drives.
- ✓ the speaker cones in headphones, TVs, computers, and telephones.

What is the Magnetic Field ?

- Magnetic field, a vector field in the neighborhood of a magnet, electric current, or changing electric field, in which magnetic forces are observable.
- ✓ Magnetic fields such as that of Earth cause magnetic compass needles and other permanent magnets to line up in the direction of the field.
- ✓ Magnetic fields force moving electrically charged particles in a circular or helical path.

What Produces a Magnetic Field?

There are two ways:

- One way is to use moving electrically charged particles, such as a current in a wire, to make an electromagnet.
- The other way to produce a magnetic field is by means of elementary particles such as electrons because these particles have an intrinsic magnetic field around them.

The Definition of B

We can then define a magnetic field B $\overrightarrow{}$ to be a vector quantity that is directed along the zero-force axis. We can next measure the magnitude of (F_B) $\overrightarrow{}$ when v $\overrightarrow{}$ is directed perpendicular to that axis and then define the magnitude of B $\overrightarrow{}$ in terms of that force magnitude:

$$B = \frac{F_B}{|q| v} \qquad \qquad \overrightarrow{F_B} = q \vec{v} \times \vec{B}$$

 $F_B = |q|v B \sin \emptyset$

Finding the Magnetic Force on a Particle $F_B = |q|v B \sin \emptyset$

This equation tells us that the magnitude of the force (F_B) acting on a particle in a magnetic field is proportional to the charge q and speed v of the particle.

This equation also tells us that the magnitude of the force is zero if \vec{v} and \vec{B} are either parallel $(\emptyset=0^\circ)$ or antiparallel $(\emptyset=180^\circ)$, and the force is at its maximum when \vec{v} and \vec{B} and are perpendicular to each other.

Directions of Magnetic Force $\overrightarrow{F_B}$.

The right-hand rule tells us that the thumb of the right hand points in the direction of $\vec{v} \times \vec{B}$ when the fingers sweep \vec{v} into \vec{B} .



The force $\overrightarrow{F_B}$ acting on a charged particle moving with velocity \vec{v} through a magnetic field \vec{B} is always perpendicular to \vec{v} and \vec{B} . 10

The SI unit for \vec{B}

$$1 tesla = 1 T = 1 \frac{newton}{(coulomb)(meter/second)}$$

Recalling that a coulomb per second is an ampere, we have:

$$1T = 1 \frac{newton}{(coulomb/second)(meter)} = 1 \frac{N}{A \cdot m}$$

An earlier (non-SI) unit for \vec{B} , still in common use, is the gauss (G), and

 $1 \text{ tesla} = 10^4 \text{ gauss}$

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Magnetic Field Lines:

- * The direction of the magnetic field line at any point gives the direction of \vec{B} at that point.
- * the spacing of the lines represents the magnitude of the magnetic field \vec{B} is stronger where the lines are closer together.



Example:

Example: A uniform magnetic field \vec{B} , with magnitude 1.2 mT, is directed vertically upward throughout the volume of a laboratory chamber. A proton with kinetic energy 5.3 MeV enters the chamber, moving horizontally from south to north. *What magnetic force acts on the proton as it enters the chamber?* The proton mass is 1.67×10^{-27} kg. (Neglect Earth's magnetic field). *Find proton acceleration?*

Solution: To find the magnitude of $\overrightarrow{F_B}$, we can use Eq. (4) ($F_B = |q|v B \sin \emptyset$) provided we first find the proton's speed v. We can find v from the given kinetic energy because $k = \frac{1}{2} m v^2$. Solving for v, we obtain:

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{2k}{m}} = \sqrt{\frac{(2)(5.3 \, Mev)\left(1.60 \times \frac{10^{-13}J}{Mev}\right)}{1.67 \times 10^{-27} \, kg}}$$

$$v = 3.2 \times 10^{7} \text{ m/s}$$

Example:

 $F_B = |q|v B \sin \emptyset$ $F_B = (1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C})(3.2 \times 10^7 \text{ m/s}) \times (1.2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ T})(\sin 90^\circ)$ $F_B = 6.1 \times 10^{-15} \text{ N}$

This may seem like a small force, but it acts on a particle of small mass, producing a large acceleration. a = ? H.W

Direction: To find the direction of $\overrightarrow{F_B}$, we use the fact that $\overrightarrow{F_B}$ has the direction of the cross product $\vec{v} \times \vec{B}$ Because the charge q is positive.



An overhead view of a proton moving from south to north with velocity in a chamber. The array of dots in the figure represents a magnetic field directed out of the plane of the figure.

