

Exercise 1: In the lecture we determined the magnetic induction for a ring current (centered at $\vec{x} = \vec{0}$, placed in the (x, y) -plane, with the current I and radius R) along the z -axis, finding

$$\vec{B}(0, 0, z) = \frac{I}{c} \frac{2\pi R^2}{(R^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} \vec{e}_z.$$

Consider now a coil, of radius R and length L , with N windings through which a current I flows. We consider the limit $N \rightarrow \infty$, with NI kept fixed. Determine the magnetic induction along the cylinder axis. How much smaller is the magnetic induction at the far ends of the coil, compared with the middle?

[Hint: the sum over windings can be replaced by an integral in the limit mentioned.]

Exercise 2: A small permanent magnetic dipole $\vec{\mu}$ is placed at position $\vec{d} = d\vec{e}_x$, and can rotate in the (x, y) -plane. There is a homogeneous magnetic field $\vec{B} = B_0\vec{e}_x$ present.

- In which direction does $\vec{\mu}$ point in a static “equilibrium” situation?
- We now switch on a current in a wire running along the z -axis, so that the current density becomes $\vec{j} = I\delta(x)\delta(y)\vec{e}_z$. How does the direction of the dipole change?

[Note: such an arrangement can be viewed as a current measurement device.]

Exercise 3: A charged particle (charge q , mass m) moves in simultaneous homogeneous electric and magnetic fields \vec{E} and \vec{B} . Only the Lorentz force is considered.

- What is the general solution of the equation of motion?

[Hint: Landau & Lifshitz, *The classical theory of fields*, §22.]

- Demonstrate that if \vec{E} and \vec{B} are orthogonal to each other, then there are solutions with a constant velocity \vec{v} .