- 1. [G 5.2] Find and sketch the trajectory of the particle shown in Fig., if it starts at the origin with velocity
  - (a)  $\mathbf{v}(0) = (E/B) \, \hat{\mathbf{y}},$
  - (b)  $\mathbf{v}(0) = (E/2B)\,\hat{\mathbf{y}},$
  - (c)  $\mathbf{v}(0) = (E/B)(\hat{\mathbf{y}} + \hat{\mathbf{z}}).$

The general solution is

$$y(t) = C_1 \cos(\omega t) + C_2 \sin(\omega t) + \frac{E}{B}t + C_3; \quad z(t) = C_2 \cos(\omega t) - C_1 \sin(\omega t) + C_4.$$

(a) y(0) = z(0) = 0;  $\dot{y}(0) = E/B$ ;  $\dot{z}(0) = 0$ . Use these to determine  $C_1$ ,  $C_2$ ,  $C_3$ , and  $C_4$ .  $y(0) = 0 \Rightarrow C_1 + C_3 = 0$ ;  $\dot{y}(0) = \omega C_2 + E/B = E/B \Rightarrow C_2 = 0$ ;  $z(0) = 0 \Rightarrow C_2 + C_4 = 0 \Rightarrow C_4 = 0$ ;  $\dot{z}(0) = 0 \Rightarrow C_1 = 0$ , and hence also  $C_3 = 0$ . So y(t) = Et/B; z(t) = 0. Does this make sense? The magnetic force is  $q(\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}) = -q(E/B)B\,\hat{\mathbf{z}} = -q\mathbf{E}$ , which exactly cancels the electric force; since there is no net force, the particle moves in a straight line at constant speed.

(b) Assuming it starts from the origin, so 
$$C_3 = -C_1$$
,  $C_4 = -C_2$ , we have  $\dot{z}(0) = 0 \Rightarrow C_1 = 0 \Rightarrow C_3 = 0$ ;  
 $\dot{y}(0) = \frac{E}{2B} \Rightarrow C_2\omega + \frac{E}{B} = \frac{E}{2B} \Rightarrow C_2 = -\frac{E}{2\omega B} = -C_4$ ;  $y(t) = -\frac{E}{2\omega B}\sin(\omega t) + \frac{E}{B}t$ ;  
 $z(t) = -\frac{E}{2\omega B}\cos(\omega t) + \frac{E}{2\omega B}$ , or  $y(t) = \frac{E}{2\omega B}[2\omega t - \sin(\omega t)]$ ;  $z(t) = \frac{E}{2\omega B}[1 - \cos(\omega t)]$ . Let  $\beta \equiv E/2\omega B$ .  
Then  $y(t) = \beta [2\omega t - \sin(\omega t)]$ ;  $z(t) = \beta [1 - \cos(\omega t)]$ ;  $(y - 2\beta\omega t) = -\beta \sin(\omega t)$ ,  $(z - \beta) = -\beta \cos(\omega t) \Rightarrow$   
 $(y - 2\beta\omega t)^2 + (z - \beta)^2 = \beta^2$ . This is a circle of radius  $\beta$  whose center moves to the right at constant speed:  
 $y_0 = 2\beta\omega t$ ;  $z_0 = \beta$ .  
(c)  $\dot{z}(0) = \dot{y}(0) = \frac{E}{B} \Rightarrow -C_1\omega = \frac{E}{B} \Rightarrow C_1 = -C_3 = -\frac{E}{\omega B}$ ;  $C_2\omega + \frac{E}{B} = \frac{E}{B} \Rightarrow C_2 = C_4 = 0$ .

$$y(t) = -\frac{E}{\omega B}\cos(\omega t) + \frac{E}{B}t + \frac{E}{\omega B}; \ z(t) = \frac{E}{\omega B}\sin(\omega t). \ y(t) = \frac{E}{\omega B}\left[1 + \omega t - \cos(\omega t)\right]; \ z(t) = \frac{E}{\omega B}\sin(\omega t).$$
  
Let  $\beta \equiv E/\omega B$ ; then  $\left[y - \beta(1 + \omega t)\right] = -\beta\cos(\omega t), \ z = \beta\sin(\omega t); \ \left[y - \beta(1 + \omega t)\right]^2 + z^2 = \beta^2.$  This is a circ

of radius  $\beta$  whose center is at  $y_0 = \beta(1 + \omega t)$ ,  $z_0 = 0$ .



2. [G 5.4] Suppose that the magnetic field in some region has the form

$$\mathbf{B} = kz\mathbf{\hat{x}}$$

(where k is a constant). Find the force on a square loop (side a), lying in the yz plane and centered at the origin, if it carries a current I, flowing counterclockwise, when you look down the x axis.

Suppose I flows counterclockwise (if not, change the sign of the answer). The force on the left side (toward the left) cancels the force on the right side (toward the right); the force on the top is  $IaB = Iak(a/2) = Ika^2/2$ , (pointing upward), and the force on the bottom is  $IaB = -Ika^2/2$  (also upward). So the net force is  $\mathbf{F} = Ika^2 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$ .

- 3. [G 5.13] A steady current I flows down a long cylindrical wire of radius a (Fig.). Find the magnetic field, both inside and outside the wire, if
  - (a) The current is uniformly distributed over the outside surface of the wire.
  - (b) The current is distributed in such a way that J is proportional to s, the distance from the axis.

(a) 
$$\oint \mathbf{B} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = B \, 2\pi s = \mu_0 I_{\text{enc}} \Rightarrow \boxed{\mathbf{B} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 0, & \text{for } s < a; \\ \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi s} \hat{\phi}, & \text{for } s > a. \end{array} \right\}}$$
(b) 
$$J = ks; \ I = \int_0^a J \, da = \int_0^a ks(2\pi s) \, ds = \frac{2\pi ka^3}{3} \Rightarrow k = \frac{3I}{2\pi a^3}. \quad I_{\text{enc}} = \int_0^s J \, da = \int_0^s k\bar{s}(2\pi\bar{s}) \, d\bar{s} = \frac{2\pi ks^3}{3} = I\frac{s^3}{a^3}, \text{ for } s < a; \ I_{\text{enc}} = I, \text{ for } s > a. \text{ So} \boxed{\mathbf{B} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\mu_0 Is^2}{2\pi a^3} \hat{\phi}, & \text{for } s < a; \\ \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi s} \hat{\phi}, & \text{for } s > a. \end{array} \right\}}$$

4. [G 5.14] A thick slab extending from z = -a to z = +a carries a uniform volume current  $\mathbf{J} = J\hat{\mathbf{x}}$  (Fig.). Find the magnetic field, as a function of z, both inside and outside the slab.

By the right-hand-rule, the field points in the  $-\hat{\mathbf{y}}$  direction for z > 0, and in the  $+\hat{\mathbf{y}}$  direction for z < 0. At z = 0, B = 0. Use the amperian loop shown:  $\oint \mathbf{B} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = Bl = \mu_0 I_{\text{enc}} = \mu_0 lz J \Rightarrow \boxed{\mathbf{B} = -\mu_0 Jz \hat{\mathbf{y}}} (-a < z < a)$ . If  $z > a, I_{\text{enc}} = \mu_0 la J$ , so  $\boxed{\mathbf{B} = \left\{ \begin{array}{c} -\mu_0 Ja \hat{\mathbf{y}}, & \text{for } z > +a; \\ +\mu_0 Ja \hat{\mathbf{y}}, & \text{for } z > -a. \end{array} \right\}}$ 

5. [G 5.23] What current density would produce the vector potential,  $\mathbf{A} = k\hat{\phi}$  (where k is a constant), in cylindrical coordinates?

$$A_{\phi} = k \Rightarrow \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{\nabla} \times \mathbf{A} = \frac{1}{s} \frac{\partial}{\partial s} (sk) \, \hat{\mathbf{z}} = \frac{k}{s} \, \hat{\mathbf{z}}; \ \mathbf{J} = \frac{1}{\mu_0} (\mathbf{\nabla} \times \mathbf{B}) = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \left[ -\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \left( \frac{k}{s} \right) \right] \, \hat{\phi} = \boxed{\frac{k}{\mu_0 s^2} \, \hat{\phi}}.$$

6. [G 5.24] If **B** is uniform, show that  $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}) = -\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{B})$ . That is, check that  $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} = 0$  and  $\nabla \times \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{B}$ . Is this result unique, or are there other functions with the same divergence and curl?

 $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} = -\frac{1}{2} \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{B}) = -\frac{1}{2} [\mathbf{B} \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{r}) - \mathbf{r} \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{B})] = 0, \text{ since } \nabla \times \mathbf{B} = 0 \text{ (B is uniform) and}$   $\nabla \times \mathbf{r} = 0 \text{ (Prob. 1.62). } \nabla \times \mathbf{A} = -\frac{1}{2} \nabla \times (\mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{B}) = -\frac{1}{2} [(\mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla)\mathbf{r} - (\mathbf{r} \cdot \nabla)\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{r}(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B}) - \mathbf{B}(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{r})]. \text{ But}$   $(\mathbf{r} \cdot \nabla)\mathbf{B} = 0 \text{ and } \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0 \text{ (since } \mathbf{B} \text{ is uniform), and } \nabla \cdot \mathbf{r} = \frac{\partial x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial z} = 1 + 1 + 1 = 3. \text{ Finally,}$   $(\mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla)\mathbf{r} = \left(B_x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + B_y \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + B_z \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right) (x \hat{\mathbf{x}} + y \hat{\mathbf{y}} + z \hat{\mathbf{z}}) = B_x \hat{\mathbf{x}} + B_y \hat{\mathbf{y}} + B_z \hat{\mathbf{z}} = \mathbf{B}. \text{ So } \nabla \times \mathbf{A} = -\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{B} - 3\mathbf{B}) = \mathbf{B}.$ qed

7. [G 5.35] A phonograph record of radius R, carrying a uniform surface charge  $\sigma$ , is rotating at constant angular velocity  $\omega$ . Find its magnetic dipole moment.

For a ring, 
$$m = I\pi r^2$$
. Here  $I \to \sigma v \, dr = \sigma \omega r \, dr$ , so  $m = \int_0^R \pi r^2 \sigma \omega r \, dr = \pi \sigma \omega R^4/4$ .

8. [G 5.37] Find the exact magnetic field a distance z above the center of a square loop of side w, carrying a curent I. Verify that it reduces to the field of a dipole, with the appropriate dipole moment, when  $z \gg w$ .

The field of one side is given by Eq. 5.35, with 
$$s \rightarrow \sqrt{z^2 + (w/2)^2}$$
 and  $\sin \theta_2 = -\sin \theta_1 = \frac{(w/2)}{\sqrt{z^2 + w^2/2}}$ ;  
 $B = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \frac{w}{\sqrt{z^2 + (w^2/4)}\sqrt{z^2 + (w^2/2)}}$ . To pick off the vertical component, multiply by  $\sin \phi = \frac{(w/2)}{\sqrt{z^2 + (w/2)^2}}$ ; for all four sides, multiply by 4:  $\mathbf{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi} \frac{w^2}{(z^2 + w^2/4)\sqrt{z^2 + w^2/2}} \hat{\mathbf{z}}$ . For  $z \gg w$ ,  $\mathbf{B} \approx \frac{\mu_0 I w^2}{2\pi z^3} \hat{\mathbf{z}}$ . The field of a dipole  $\overline{m = I w^2}$ , for points on the z axis (Eq. 5.86, with  $r \rightarrow z$ ,  $\hat{\mathbf{r}} \rightarrow \hat{\mathbf{z}}$ ,  $\theta = 0$ ) is  $\mathbf{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{2\pi} \frac{m}{z^3} \hat{\mathbf{z}}$ .

9. [G 5.40] A plane wire loop of irregular shape is situated so that part of it is in a uniform magnetic field **B** (in Fig. the field occupies the shaded region, and points perpendicular to the plane of the loop). The loop carries a current I. Show that the net magnetic force on the loop is F = IBw, where w is the chord subtended. Generalize this result to the case where the magnetic field region itself has an irregular shape. What is the direction of the force?

From Eq. 5.17,  $\mathbf{F} = I \int (d\mathbf{l} \times \mathbf{B})$ . But **B** is constant, in this case, so it comes outside the integral:  $\mathbf{F} = I (\int d\mathbf{l}) \times \mathbf{B}$ , and  $\int d\mathbf{l} = \mathbf{w}$ , the vector displacement from the point at which the wire first enters the field to the point where it leaves. Since **w** and **B** are perpendicular, F = IBw, and **F** is perpendicular to **w**.

10. [G 5.55]A magnetic dipolem  $= -m_0 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$  is situated at the origin, in an otherwise uniform magnetic field  $\mathbf{B} = B_0 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$ . Show that there exists a spherical surface, centered at the origin, through which no magnetic field lines pass. Find the radius of this sphere and sketch the field lines, inside and out.

## Problem 5.55

From Eq. 5.86,  $\mathbf{B}_{\text{tot}} = B_0 \,\hat{\mathbf{z}} - \frac{\mu_0 m_0}{4\pi r^3} (2\cos\theta\,\hat{\mathbf{r}} + \sin\theta\,\hat{\theta})$ . Therefore  $\mathbf{B} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} = B_0(\hat{\mathbf{z}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}}) - \frac{\mu_0 m_0}{4\pi r^3} 2\cos\theta = \left(B_0 - \frac{\mu_0 m_0}{2\pi r^3}\right)\cos\theta$ . This is zero, for all  $\theta$ , when r = R, given by  $B_0 = \frac{\mu_0 m_0}{2\pi R^3}$ , or

$$R = \left(\frac{\mu_0 m_0}{2\pi B_0}\right)^{1/3}$$
. Evidently no field lines cross this sphere.