

## Magnetostatics:

Lorentz Force Law:

$$\underline{F} = q(\underline{E} + \underline{v} \times \underline{B})$$

If  $\underline{E} = 0 \Rightarrow \underline{F} = q\underline{v} \times \underline{B}$

Motion of a charge in  $\underline{B}$ -field:

$\underline{F}$  perpendicular to velocity, hence motion in a circle.

$$F = \frac{mv^2}{r} = qvB$$

Period:

$$t = \frac{2\pi r}{v} = \frac{2\pi m}{qB}$$

Hence, the “cyclotron frequency” is:

$$\underline{u} = \frac{qB}{2\pi m}$$

Maxwell's 2<sup>nd</sup> equation:

$$\nabla \cdot \underline{B} = 0$$

Current density is the number of charges, times the charge, times the drift velocity of the charges. Alternatively, it is the current per unit area.

$$\underline{j} = \frac{I}{A} = -Nev_d$$

Alternatively, in integral form:

$$I = \int_s \underline{j} \cdot d\underline{A}$$

Ohm's law becomes:

$$\underline{j} = \underline{s} \underline{E}$$

Where  $\underline{s}$  is the electrical conductivity.

## Hall Effect:

Current  $\underline{I}$  flows along a slab of conductor, with width  $w$  and depth  $d$  – hence an area  $A$ . A magnetic field  $\underline{B}$  intersects the slab, so that  $\underline{B}$  is perpendicular to  $\underline{I}$ . Hence, the charge carriers “feel” a force. The charge carriers are electrons, with a drift velocity  $v_d$ .

$F_m$  = Magnetic force on –ve charge carriers

$F_e$  = Electric force on charge build-up

Now:

$$F_m = qvN = ev_d B$$

Also, the current is:

$$I = nev_d A \Rightarrow v_d = I / neA$$

Hence:

$$F_m = \frac{eIB}{neA}$$

To find the potential set up at equilibrium... i.e. that:  $F_m = F_e$ .

Where:

$$F_e = eE = \frac{V_H e}{w}$$

Hence, system in equilibrium when:

$$\frac{V_H e}{w} = \frac{eIB}{neA}$$

Therefore, the potential set up, the "Hall Voltage", which is across the slab, is:

$$V_H = \frac{IB}{ned}$$

Force on a Wire:

Force on one electron:

$$\underline{f} = -e\underline{v} \times \underline{B}$$

If the conductor has length  $d\underline{l}$ , and area  $\underline{A}$ ...  $nAdl$  electrons, at velocity  $v_d$ . Hence, the total force:

$$\underline{F} = -(nAdl)e\underline{v}_d \times \underline{B}$$

But,  $I = -neAv_d$ . Hence;

$$\underline{F} = Id\underline{l} \times \underline{B}$$

Ampere's Law:

$$\oint \underline{B} \cdot d\underline{l} = \mu_0 \sum I$$

Used on a long, straight wire:

$$\oint \underline{B} \cdot d\underline{l} = 2\pi r B = \mu_0 I$$

$$\Rightarrow B = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi r}$$

Consider two // currents  $I_1$  &  $I_2$ , separated by  $d$ :

Magnetic field due to  $I_1$  :

$$B = \frac{\mu_0 I_1}{2\pi r}$$

Hence, force on  $I_2$  :

$$\underline{F} = I_2 d\underline{l} \times \underline{B}$$

Hence, finding force per unit length, just do the integrals:

$$F = \frac{\mu_0 I_1 I_2}{2\pi d}$$

Differential form of Ampere's Law:

$$\nabla \times \underline{B} = \mu_0 \underline{j} \quad \text{Static case only!}$$

Magnetic Vector Potential:

Has the following properties:

$$\underline{A}$$

$$\underline{B} = \nabla \times \underline{A}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \underline{A} = 0$$

$$\nabla^2 \underline{A} = -\mu_0 \underline{j}$$

$$\underline{A} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \int \frac{d\underline{l}}{r} \Rightarrow \underline{A} // d\underline{l}$$