Chapter 19

Magnetism

Magnets

- Poles of a magnet are the ends where objects are most strongly attracted
 - Two poles, called *north* and *south*
- Like poles repel each other and unlike poles attract each other
 - Similar to electric charges
- Magnetic poles cannot be isolated
 - If a permanent magnetic is cut in half repeatedly, you will still have a north and a south pole
 - This differs from electric charges
 - There is some theoretical basis for monopoles, but none have been detected

Sources of Magnetic Fields

- The region of space surrounding a moving charge includes a magnetic field
 - The charge will also be surrounded by an electric field
- A magnetic field surrounds a properly magnetized magnetic material

Magnetic Fields

- A vector quantity
- Symbolized by B
- Direction is given by the direction a north pole of a compass needle points in that location
- Magnetic field lines can be used to show how the field lines, as traced out by a compass, would look

Magnetic Field Lines, sketch



- A compass can be used to show the direction of the magnetic field lines (a)
- A sketch of the magnetic field lines (b)

About the Earth's Magnetic Poles

- The magnetic and geographic poles are not in the same exact location
 - The difference between true north, at the geographic north pole, and magnetic north is called the magnetic declination
 - The amount of declination varies by location on the earth's surface

Source of the Earth's Magnetic Field

- There cannot be large masses of permanently magnetized materials since the high temperatures of the core prevent materials from retaining permanent magnetization
- The most likely source of the Earth's magnetic field is believed to be electric currents in the liquid part of the core

Reversals of the Earth's Magnetic Field

- The direction of the Earth's magnetic field reverses every few million years
 - Evidence of these reversals are found in basalts resulting from volcanic activity
 - The origin of the reversals is not understood

Magnetic Fields

- When moving through a magnetic field, a charged particle experiences a magnetic force
 - This force has a maximum value when the charge moves perpendicularly to the magnetic field lines
 - This force is zero when the charge moves along the field lines

Magnetic Fields, cont

- One can define a magnetic field in terms of the magnetic force exerted on a test charge moving in the field with velocity v
 - Similar to the way electric fields are defined

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$$F = qvB\sin\theta$$

Units of Magnetic Field

 The SI unit of magnetic field is the Tesla (T)

$$T = \frac{Wb}{m^2} = \frac{N}{C \cdot (m/s)} = \frac{N}{A \cdot m}$$

Wb is a Weber
The cgs unit is a Gauss (G)
1 T = 10⁴ G

Finding the Direction of Magnetic Force

- Experiments show that the direction of the magnetic force is always perpendicular to both v and B
- F_{max} occurs when \vec{v} is perpendicular to \vec{B}
- F = 0 when \vec{v} is parallel to \vec{B}



Left Hand Rule

- Your first (index) finger in the direction of the magnetic field, B
- Place your second (middle) finger in the direction of current or velocity
- Your thumb points in the direction of the force, F, on a positive charge
 - If the charge is negative, the force is opposite that determined by the right hand rule



Magnetic Force on a Current Carrying Conductor

- A force is exerted on a currentcarrying wire placed in a magnetic field
 - The current is a collection of many charged particles in motion
- The direction of the force is given by left hand rule

Force on a Wire

- The blue x's indicate the magnetic field is directed *into* the page
 - The x represents the tail of the arrow
- Blue dots would be used to represent the field directed out of the page
 - The represents the head of the arrow
- In this case, there is no current, so there is no force



Force on a Wire, cont

- B is into the page
- The current is up the page
- The force is to the left



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Force on a Wire, final

- B is into the page
- The current is down the page
- The force is to the right



Force on a Wire, equation

- The magnetic force is exerted on each moving charge in the wire
- The total force is the sum of all the magnetic forces on all the individual charges producing the current
- $F = B I L \sin \theta$
 - θ is the angle between \vec{B} and the direction of I
 - The direction is found by the right hand rule, placing your fingers in the direction of I instead of \vec{v}

Force on a Charged Particle in a Magnetic Field

- Consider a particle moving in an external magnetic field so that its velocity is perpendicular to the field
- The force is always directed toward the center of the circular path
- The magnetic force causes a centripetal acceleration, changing the direction of the velocity of the particle



Magnetic Fields – Long Straight Wire

- A current-carrying wire produces a magnetic field
- The compass needle deflects in directions tangent to the circle
 - The compass needle points in the direction of the magnetic field produced by the current



B

Direction of the Field of a Long Straight Wire

- Right Hand Rule
 - Grasp the wire in your right hand
 - Point your thumb in the direction of the current
 - Your fingers will curl in the direction of the field



Magnetic Field of a Solenoid

- If a long straight wire is bent into a coil of several closely spaced loops, the resulting device is called a solenoid
- It is also known as an electromagnet since it acts like a magnet only when it carries a current



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Magnetic Field of a Solenoid, 2

 The field lines inside the solenoid are nearly parallel, uniformly spaced, and close together

- This indicates that the field inside the solenoid is nearly uniform and strong
- The exterior field is nonuniform, much weaker, and in the opposite direction to the field inside the solenoid

Magnetic Field in a Solenoid, 3

 The field lines of the solenoid resemble those of a bar magnet



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