

Magnetostatics

Electrostatics: stationary charges $\Rightarrow \vec{E}$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \rho \quad (\text{Gauss' law})$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = 0$$

moving charges (currents) \Rightarrow magnetic fields

Magnetostatics: steady currents $\Rightarrow \vec{B}$

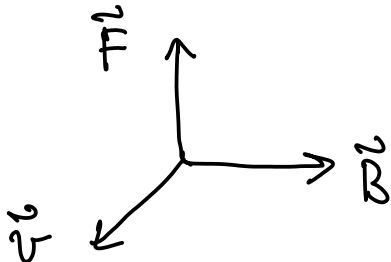
$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J} \quad (\text{Ampere's law})$$

Equivalent of Coulomb's law? [Biot-Savart, first currents]

Lorentz force on ^{point} charge moving in \vec{B} -field:

$$\vec{F} = q \vec{v} \times \vec{B} \quad (\text{exp. observation})$$



[used HEP exp to measure $\vec{p} = m\vec{v}$]

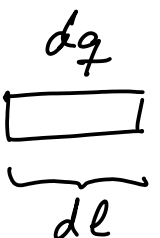
no work! $dW = \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{l} = q (\vec{v} \times \vec{B}) \cdot \vec{v} dt = 0$

From now on we will talk about currents instead of point charges (continuous flow)

Line-current:

$$\vec{I} = \lambda \vec{v}$$

\uparrow line charge dens. $dq = \lambda dl$



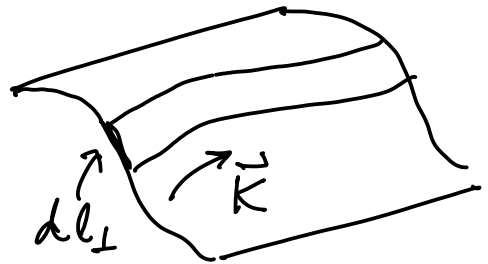
$$d\vec{F} = \vec{v} \times \vec{B} dq = \vec{v} \times \vec{B} \lambda dl = \vec{I} \times \vec{B} dl$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{F} = \int \vec{I} \times \vec{B} dl$$

Surface-current:

$$\vec{K} \equiv \frac{d\vec{I}}{dl_{\perp}} = \sigma \vec{v}$$

↑ surface charge dens

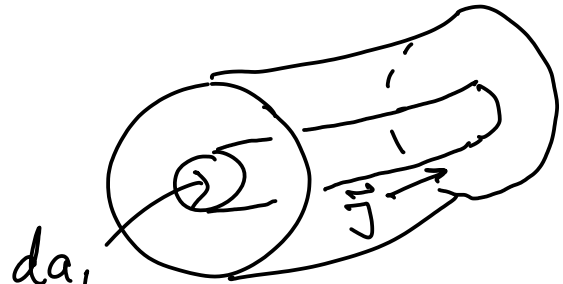


$$\vec{F} = \int \vec{K} \times \vec{B} dS = \int \sigma \vec{v} \times \vec{B} dS$$

Volume-current:

$$\vec{J} \equiv \frac{d\vec{I}}{da_{\perp}} = \rho \vec{v}$$

volume charge dens.



$$\vec{F} = \int \vec{J} \times \vec{B} d^3\vec{r} = \int \rho \vec{v} \times \vec{B} d^3\vec{r}$$

Ex: What is $|\vec{J}|$ on a wire of circular cross-section with radius carrying a uniformly distributed current I

$$J = \frac{I}{\pi a^2}$$

What is I if $J = k s$ ← radial distance

$$I = \int J da_{\perp} = \int_0^a k s s ds d\phi = 2\pi k \frac{a^3}{3}$$

↑ cylindrical coordinates!

Continuity eqn:

Electric charge cannot be created or destroyed
- charge is conserved

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{\oint \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{S}}_{\int_V \nabla \cdot \vec{J} d^3\vec{r}} = - \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_V \rho d^3\vec{r}$$

$$\therefore \nabla \cdot \vec{J} = - \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho \quad (\partial_\mu j^\mu = 0, j^\mu = (c\rho, \vec{J}))$$

So, what does \vec{B} look like?

Biot-Savart law (steady currents, based on exp.)

$$\vec{B}(\vec{r}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \vec{I}(\vec{r}') \times \frac{(\vec{r} - \vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^3} dl' \quad (\text{line})$$

$$\text{permeability of free space} \quad \vec{K}(\vec{r}') \quad d\vec{S}' \quad (\text{surface})$$

$$\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \frac{N}{A^2} \quad \vec{J}(\vec{r}') \quad d^3\vec{r}' \quad (\text{volume})$$

Can in principle be used together with Lorentz force law to solve problems, but there are more powerful ways based on

$$\begin{cases} \nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \\ \nabla \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J} \end{cases}$$

So let's derive these eqn's!

Start from

$$\vec{B}(\vec{r}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \vec{J}(\vec{r}') \times \frac{\vec{r} - \vec{r}'}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^3} d^3\vec{r}'$$

(i) use $\vec{\nabla} \frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} = -\frac{\vec{r} - \vec{r}'}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^3}$ to write

$$[\vec{\nabla} \times (f \vec{a}) = f (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{a}) - \vec{a} \times \vec{\nabla} f, \quad \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{J}(\vec{r}') = 0]$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{B}(\vec{r}) = \vec{\nabla} \times \left(\underbrace{\frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \vec{J}(\vec{r}') \frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} d^3\vec{r}'}_{\vec{A} \text{ vector pot.}} \right) \quad (*)$$

$$(ii) \quad \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) \equiv 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0$$

no magnetic monopoles!

integral form $\oint \vec{B}(\vec{r}) \cdot d\vec{s} = 0$

(iii) take curl of \vec{B} (*) [field lines - closed loops]

$$[\vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{a}) = \vec{\nabla}(\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{a}) - \vec{\nabla}^2 \vec{a}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot (f \vec{a}) = f \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{a} + \vec{a} \cdot \vec{\nabla} f]$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \left[\vec{J} \text{ function of } \vec{r}' \text{ not } \vec{r} \right]$$

$$\left\{ \vec{\nabla} \int \vec{J}(\vec{r}') \cdot \underbrace{\vec{\nabla} \frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}}_{-\vec{\nabla}' \frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}} d^3\vec{r}' - \int \vec{J}(\vec{r}') \underbrace{\vec{\nabla}^2 \frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}}_{-4\pi \delta^{(3)}(\vec{r} - \vec{r}')} d^3\vec{r}' \right\}$$

use partial int. on first term

$$\int \vec{J}(\vec{r}') \cdot \vec{\nabla}' \frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} d^3\vec{r}' = \int \left[\vec{\nabla}' \cdot \left(\frac{\vec{J}(\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \right) - \frac{\vec{\nabla}' \cdot \vec{J}(\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \right] d^3\vec{r}'$$

and

$$\int \vec{\nabla}' \cdot \left(\frac{\vec{J}(\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \right) d^3\vec{r}' = \oint_S \frac{\vec{J}(\vec{r}') \cdot d\vec{S}}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} = 0$$

0 on boundary

$$\Rightarrow \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \left[\vec{\nabla} \int \frac{\vec{\nabla}' \cdot \vec{J}(\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} d^3\vec{r}' + 4\pi \vec{J}(\vec{r}) \right] =$$

$$\left[\text{continuity eqn: } \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{J} = -\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} \right]$$

$$= \mu_0 \vec{J}(\vec{r}) + \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \vec{\nabla} \left(-\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int \frac{\rho(\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} d^3\vec{r}' \right)$$

$4\pi\epsilon_0 V(\vec{r})$

$\mu_0\epsilon_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{E}$

$$\therefore \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J} + \underbrace{\mu_0\epsilon_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{E}}_{=0 \text{ for steady currents}} \quad \underline{\text{Ampere's law}}$$

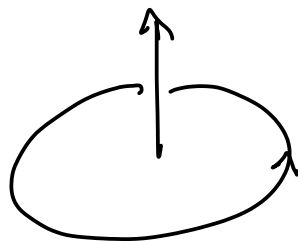
Integral form:

$$\int (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B}) \cdot d\vec{S} = \mu_0 \underbrace{\int \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{S}}_{I_{enc}} \quad \left[\text{through surface} \right]$$

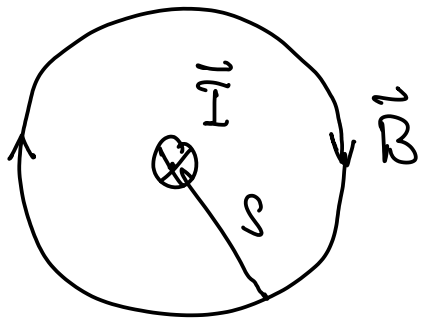
[Stokes' theorem]

$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \mu_0 I_{enc}$$

positive direction defined by "right hand rule"



Example: magnetic field a distance s from an infinite straight wire carrying a steady current I



\vec{I} into page

\vec{B} by right-hand rule

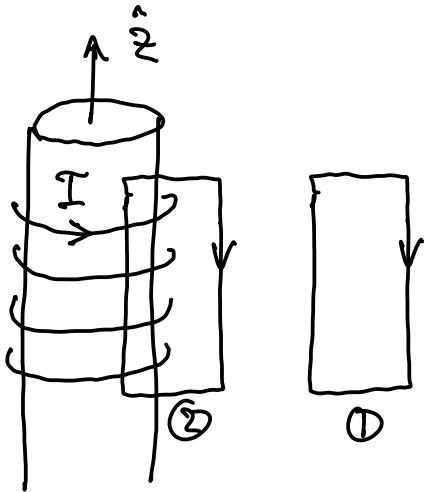
Ampere's law

$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \mu_0 I_{enc}$$

Cylindrical coordinates, $d\vec{l} = \hat{\phi} s d\phi$, $\vec{I} = I \hat{z}$

$$B \cdot 2\pi s = \mu_0 I \Rightarrow \vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi s} \hat{\phi}$$

Example: infinite solenoid with n turns per unit length



$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \mu_0 I_{enc}$$

symmetry $\Rightarrow \vec{B} \propto \hat{z}$

$\vec{B} \rightarrow 0$ as $s \rightarrow \infty$

$$\textcircled{1} \Rightarrow \vec{B}_{out} = \text{const} = 0$$

$$\textcircled{2} \Rightarrow \vec{B}_m = \mu_0 n I \hat{z}$$

Ampere's law also useful for infinite planes and toroids (cf ATLAS exp.)

Vector potential:

$$\vec{A} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{\vec{J}(\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} d^3\vec{r}'$$

Is this unique?

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

can add $\vec{\nabla}\lambda$ to \vec{A} since $\vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla}\lambda) \equiv 0$
(cf. const can be added to V)

ambiguity in \vec{A} called gauge freedom

in magnetostatics it is convenient to choose λ such that

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

Coulomb gauge

$$\Rightarrow \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) = \underbrace{\vec{\nabla}(\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A})}_{=0} - \nabla^2 \vec{A} = \mu_0 \vec{J}$$

(cartesian)

components of \vec{A} fulfil Poisson's eqn
with solution

$$\vec{A} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{\vec{J}(\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} d^3\vec{r}'$$

if $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A} \neq 0$ then we add $\vec{\nabla}\lambda$ so that

$$\vec{A}' = \vec{A} + \vec{\nabla}\lambda$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A}' = 0 \Rightarrow \nabla^2 \lambda = -\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A}$$

$$\text{sol'n } \lambda = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int \frac{\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A}}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} d^3\vec{r}' \quad \text{if } \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } r \rightarrow \infty$$

4-vector potential

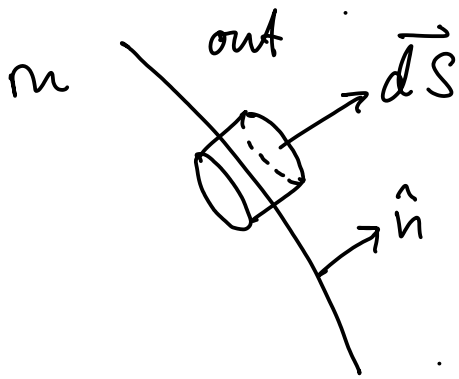
We can combine V and \vec{A} into 4-vector

$$A^M = \left(\frac{1}{c} V, \vec{A} \right)$$

Lorentz gauge

$$\partial_\mu A^\mu = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} V + \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A} = 0$$

Boundary conditions for \vec{B} -field:

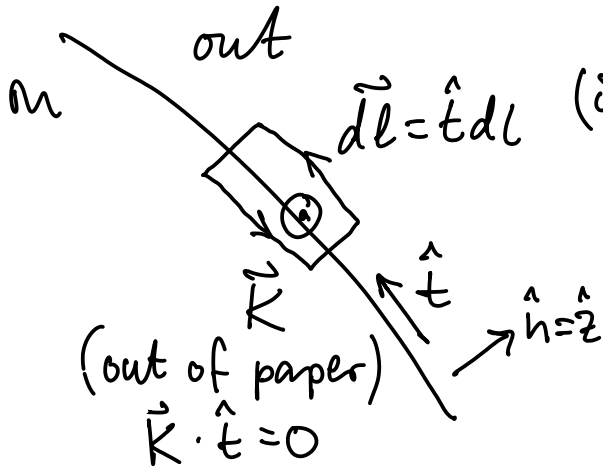


$$(i) \nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{S} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{B}_{out} \cdot \hat{n} - \vec{B}_m \cdot \hat{n} = 0$$

$$\therefore B_{out}^{\perp} = B_m^{\perp}$$



$$(ii) \nabla \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{K} \delta(z - z_0)$$

$$\int (\nabla \times \vec{B}) \cdot d\vec{S} = \mu_0 \int \vec{K} \delta(z - z_0) \cdot d\vec{S}$$

$d\vec{S} \parallel \vec{K}$

$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \int \mu_0 K dl$$

$$\vec{B}_{out} \cdot \hat{t} - \vec{B}_m \cdot \hat{t} = \mu_0 K$$

$$\therefore B_{out}^{\parallel} - B_m^{\parallel} = \mu_0 K$$

All in all we have

$$\vec{B}_{out} - \vec{B}_m = \mu_0 (\vec{K} \times \hat{n})$$

Vector potential: (in Coulomb gauge)

$$\vec{A}_{out} = \vec{A}_m$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial n} \vec{A}_{out} - \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \vec{A}_m = -\mu_0 \vec{K}$$

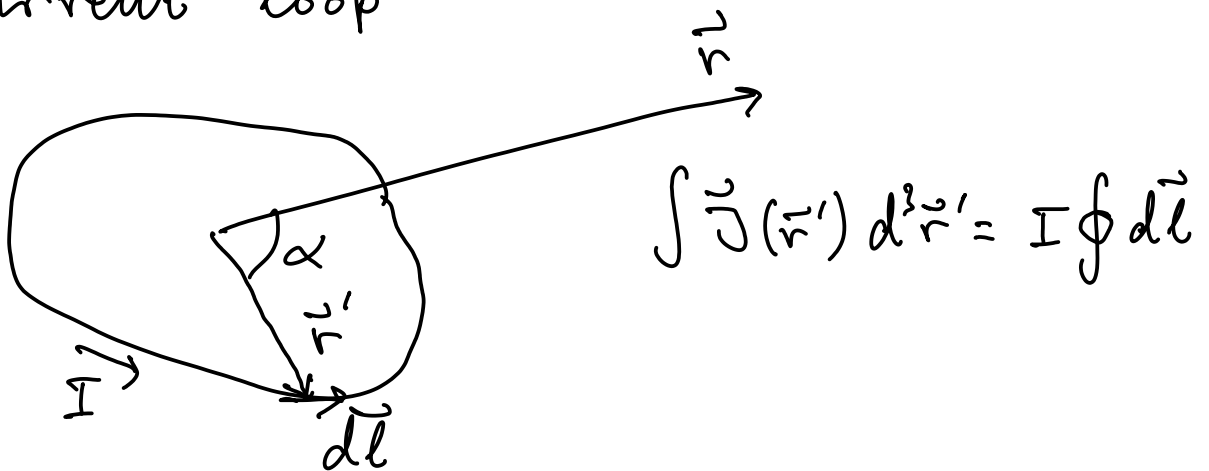
Multipole expansion of \vec{A}

Works same way as for V

$$\vec{A}(\vec{r}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi r} \int \frac{\vec{J}(\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|} d^3\vec{r}' =$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \vec{J}(\vec{r}') \frac{1}{r} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{r'}{r}\right)^n P_n(\cos\alpha) d^3\vec{r}'$$

Restrict to case when $\vec{J}(\vec{r}')$ describes a current loop



$$= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} I \sum_n \frac{1}{r^{n+1}} \oint (r')^n P_n(\cos\alpha) d\vec{l}$$

$$\frac{1}{r} \oint d\vec{l} + \frac{1}{r^2} \oint r' \cos\alpha d\vec{l} + \dots$$

$= 0$

$$\frac{1}{r^3} \oint \vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}' d\vec{l}$$

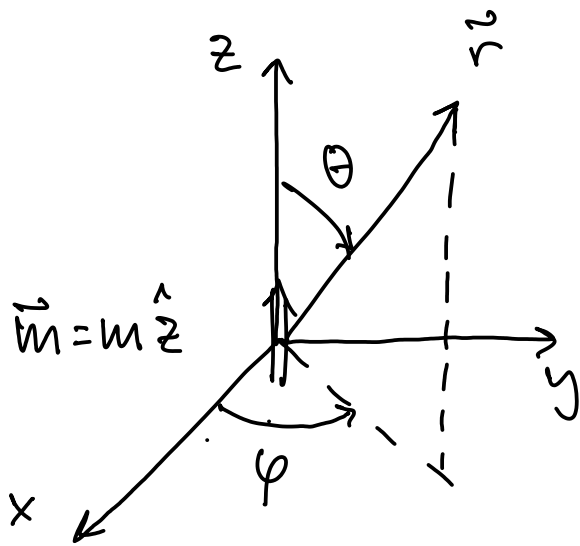
$$= \vec{r} \times \int d\vec{S}'$$

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$$= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{\vec{m} \times \vec{r}}{r^3} + \dots, \quad \vec{m} = I \int d\vec{S}$$

magnetic dipole moment

magnetic field from dipole $[\vec{m} \times \hat{r} = m \sin \theta \hat{\varphi}]$



$$\vec{A}_{\text{dip}} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{m \sin \theta}{r^2} \hat{\varphi}$$

$$\vec{B}_{\text{dip}} = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}_{\text{dip}} =$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0 m}{4\pi r^3} (2 \cos \theta \hat{r} + \sin \theta \hat{\theta})$$

$$(\mu_0 \vec{m} \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \vec{P})$$

For a general current density \vec{J} we have

$$\vec{m} = \frac{1}{2} \int \vec{r} \times \vec{J} d^3 \vec{r}$$

(see problem 3.38)

Stokes theorem

$$\int_{S'} (\nabla' \times \vec{v}) \cdot d\vec{S}' = \oint \vec{v} \cdot d\vec{l}'$$

use $\vec{v} = c(\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}')$

$$\nabla' \times (c(\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}')) = \vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}' \underbrace{(\nabla' \times c)}_{=0} - c \times (\nabla'(\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}'))$$

$$= -c \times \left(\vec{r} \times (\nabla' \times \vec{r}') + \vec{r}' \times (\nabla' \times \vec{r}) + (\vec{r} \cdot \nabla') \vec{r}' + (\vec{r}' \cdot \nabla) \vec{r} \right)$$

$$= -c \times (\vec{r} \cdot \nabla') \vec{r}' = -c \times \vec{r}' = \vec{r}' \times c$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \int_{S'} (\nabla' \times (c(\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}')) \cdot d\vec{S}' &= \int_{S'} (\vec{r}' \times c) \cdot d\vec{S}' = \\ &= (\vec{r}' \times c) \cdot \int d\vec{S}' = c \cdot \left(\int d\vec{S}' \times \vec{r}' \right) = -c \cdot \left(\vec{r}' \times \int d\vec{S}' \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\oint \vec{v} \cdot d\vec{l}' = c \cdot \oint (\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}') d\vec{l}'$$

$$\Rightarrow -c \cdot \left(\vec{r}' \times \int d\vec{S}' \right) = c \cdot \oint (\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}') d\vec{l}'$$

c arbitrary

$$\therefore -\vec{r}' \times \int d\vec{S}' = \oint (\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}') d\vec{l}'$$