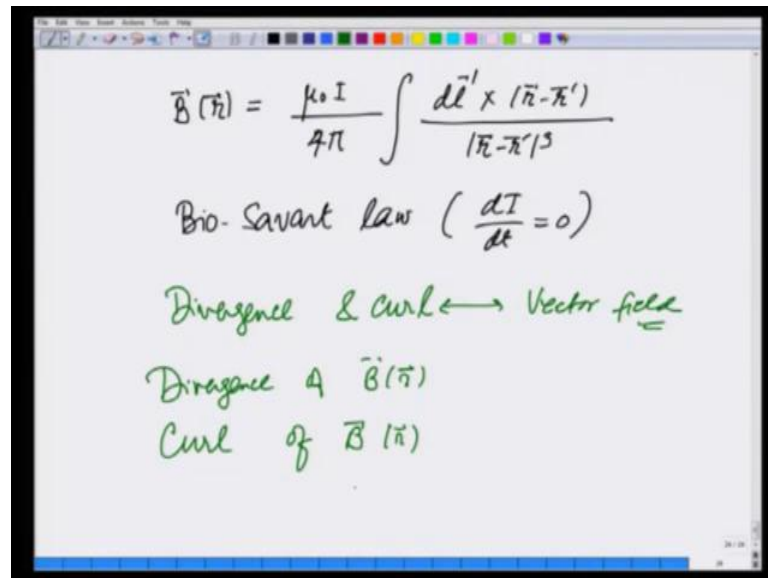


Introduction to Electromagnetism
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Lecture - 35
Divergence and Curl Magnetic Field

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The image shows a whiteboard with handwritten mathematical expressions and text. At the top, the Biot-Savart law is written as $\vec{B}(\vec{r}) = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \int \frac{d\vec{l}' \times (\vec{r} - \vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^3}$. Below this, it says "Bio-Savart law ($\frac{dI}{dt} = 0$)". Further down, it says "Divergence & curl \longleftrightarrow Vector field". At the bottom, it lists "Divergence of $\vec{B}(\vec{r})$ " and "Curl of $\vec{B}(\vec{r})$ ".

We have seen that the magnetic field is produced by current and for steady currents. That means, these currents which are not changing with time is given as $d\vec{l}' \times \frac{\vec{r} - \vec{r}'}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^3}$. This also now tells us the properties of magnetic field. So, this is known as Bio-Savart law and this for those cases, where $\frac{dI}{dt}$ is 0. Now, remember when we were discussing electric field, we said that any vector field can be calculated by its divergence and curl together give a vector field.

So, now if you want to work with magnetic field, it is important to know what the divergence of \vec{B} is and what the curl of \vec{B} is, this lecture is going to be concerned with these two quantities. I am going to use a little bit of vector calculus, but I will keep explaining it as we go along that is necessary and I would also request you to master this technique, because this will make life very easy while dealing with these fields.

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The image shows a whiteboard with handwritten mathematical equations. At the top, the magnetic field vector $\vec{B}(\vec{r})$ is given as $\frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \int d\vec{l}' \times \frac{(\vec{r} - \vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^3}$. Below this, the text "Divergence of magnetic field" is written. The next line shows the divergence of $\vec{B}(\vec{r})$ as $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B}(\vec{r}) = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \vec{\nabla} \cdot \int d\vec{l}' \times \frac{(\vec{r} - \vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^3}$. The final line shows the result as $= \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \int \vec{\nabla} \cdot \left(d\vec{l}' \times \frac{(\vec{r} - \vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^3} \right)$. The whiteboard has a standard toolbar at the top and a blue border at the bottom.

So, when I have B_r equals $\mu_0 I$ over 4π $d l'$ prime cross r minus r prime over r minus r prime cube, let us calculate it is divergence directly. Divergence of B is going to be $\mu_0 I$ over 4π , divergence of this quantity $d l'$ prime cross r minus r prime over r minus r prime cubed. Notice, this is divergence with respect to r , because this is divergence with respect to the r out here which is where the field is being determined.

So, this is with respect to r of this quantity, integration is with respect to the prime quantity. So, I can actually take it inside and write this as $\mu_0 I$ over 4π , integration of divergence of this vector product $d l'$ prime cross r minus r prime over r minus r prime cubed.

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$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{A} \times \vec{B}) = \vec{B} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) - \vec{A} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B})$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \left(d\vec{\ell}' \times \frac{(\vec{r} - \vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^3} \right) = \frac{(\vec{r} - \vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^3} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times d\vec{\ell}') - d\vec{\ell}' \cdot \left(\vec{\nabla} \times \frac{(\vec{r} - \vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^3} \right)$$

The second term is simplified as follows:

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

$$d\vec{\ell}' \cdot \left(\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\nabla} \frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \right) = 0$$

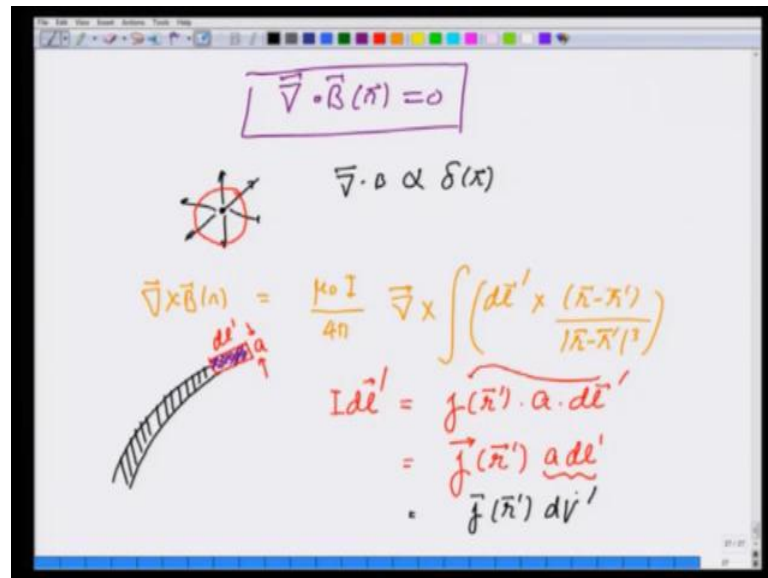
The final result is boxed:

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

Now, from the vector identity the divergence of A cross B is equal to B dot curl of A minus A dot curl of B, we find that divergence of $d\vec{\ell}' \times \frac{\vec{r} - \vec{r}'}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^3}$ is going to be equal to $\frac{\vec{r} - \vec{r}'}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^3} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times d\vec{\ell}')$ minus $d\vec{\ell}' \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \frac{\vec{r} - \vec{r}'}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^3})$. Notice that $d\vec{\ell}'$ is with respect to \vec{r}' and this differentiation is with respect to \vec{r} , so this term goes to 0.

For the second term, recall that $\frac{\vec{r} - \vec{r}'}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^3}$ is nothing but minus grad of $\frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}$. So, this term is $d\vec{\ell}' \cdot \text{curl of grad of } \frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}$, what is curl of grad curl of grad is again 0. So, this whole term comes out to be 0 and therefore, what we find is that divergence of $\vec{B}(\vec{r})$ is nothing but 0. This is a result we have anticipated in one of the previous lectures by looking at that there are no monopoles, there are no single sources of magnetic field.

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So, we find from the Bio-Savart formula that divergence of B at any point is always 0, this also means there are no independent sources or sinks of B. Let us see how does that happen, because in the independent source and fields will be coming out of here and this divergence of B proportional to delta r or equivalently by divergence theorem flux to the surface to be non zero telling me the divergence cannot be 0.

Next let us calculate curl of B directly, so this is also going to be $\mu_0 I$ over 4π curl, curl is with respect to r, integration of $dl' \times (r - r')$ over $|r - r'|^3$. To calculate curl I am going to play a little check, if I take this current loop, a current carrying wire assume is likely wide at any point. Suppose I take this point, where I am taking dl' and this cross section is a, then I can write dl' vector as j at that point, where j is the current per unit area times a times dl' vector, dl' is in the direction of current.

So, I am going to bring this vector over to j and define by current density is a vector quantity $j \cdot r' \cdot a \cdot dl'$. What is $a \cdot dl'$? $a \cdot dl'$ is the volume of this smaller element which I am not showing by the shaded purple lines therefore, I can write this whole thing as $j \cdot r' \cdot dv'$.

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

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

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B}(\vec{r}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \vec{\nabla}' \times \left(\vec{j}(\vec{r}') \times \frac{(\vec{r} - \vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^3} \right) dV'$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{A} \times \vec{B}) = (\vec{B} \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \vec{A} - (\vec{A} \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \vec{B} + \vec{A} (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B}) - \vec{B} (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A})$$

So, therefore, I can write $\vec{B}(\vec{r})$ which is $\frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \int d\vec{\ell}' \times \frac{\vec{r} - \vec{r}'}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^3}$ as equal to $\frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \vec{j}(\vec{r}') \times \frac{\vec{r} - \vec{r}'}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^3} dV'$. Obviously, the integration over \vec{j} is not zero and that precisely what how we transfer from that $I d\vec{\ell}'$ from to $\vec{j} dV'$ prime formula.

Now, let us take a curl, so curl of $\vec{B}(\vec{r})$ is going to be $\frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \text{curl of } \int \vec{j}(\vec{r}') \times \frac{\vec{r} - \vec{r}'}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^3} dV'$. I can take curl inside, because curl is with respect to \vec{r} the and integration is respect to \vec{r}' . So, $\vec{\nabla} \times \int \vec{j}(\vec{r}') \times \frac{\vec{r} - \vec{r}'}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^3} dV'$, now I am going to use vector identity which is curl of $\vec{A} \times \vec{B}$ is equal to $\vec{B} \cdot \vec{\nabla}$ operating on \vec{A} minus $\vec{A} \cdot \vec{\nabla}$ operating on \vec{B} plus $\vec{A} \text{ divergence of } \vec{B}$ minus $\vec{B} \text{ divergence of } \vec{A}$ what it means is let me explain in next slide.

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$$\vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{A} \times \vec{B}) = (\vec{B} \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \vec{A} - (\vec{A} \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \vec{B} + \vec{A} (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B}) - \vec{B} (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A})$$

$$\vec{B} \cdot \vec{\nabla} = B_x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + B_y \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + B_z \frac{\partial}{\partial z}$$

$$\vec{A} = f(\vec{r}) \quad \vec{B} = \frac{(\vec{r} - \vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^3}$$

$$\underbrace{(\vec{B} \cdot \vec{\nabla})}_{\sim} f(\vec{r}') = 0, \quad (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B}) = \vec{\nabla} \cdot \frac{(\vec{r} - \vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^3}$$

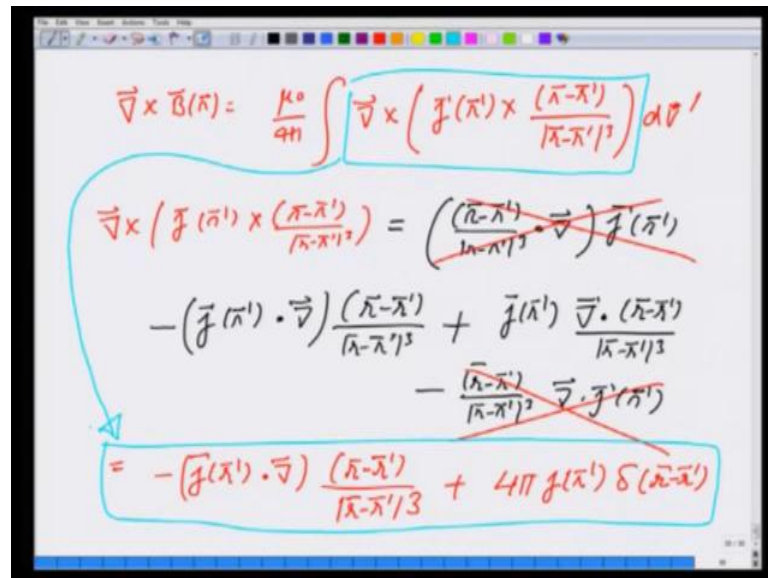
$$= 4\pi \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}')$$

$$(\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A}) = \vec{\nabla} \cdot \nabla f(\vec{r}') = 0$$

I have written curl of A cross B as B dot del A minus A dot del operating on B plus A divergence of B minus B divergence of A, you have familiar with this term and this term or this term or this term means is B dot del minus B x D by D x plus B y D by D y plus B z D by D z and this operates on this vector A given a vector quantity. Now, let us substitute for A I have j r prime for B I have r minus r prime over r minus r prime cubed.

Therefore, B dot del operating on j r prime this differential with respect to r, j is with respect to r prime is gives me 0 del dot B is divergence of r minus r prime over r minus r prime cubed and that is recall you did time and again is 4 pi delta r minus r prime. Again a physical way of looking at it is that this quantity r minus r prime over r minus r prime cube is nothing but represents electric field due to a charged 4 pi Epsilon not in magnitude. And therefore, the charge density is the divergence is a charge density which is nothing but a delta function, so that gives you that very quickly. Let us similarly del dot A which is divergence of j r prime is also 0.

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$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B}(\vec{r}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \vec{\nabla} \times \left(\vec{j}(\vec{r}') \times \frac{(\vec{r}-\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|^3} \right) dV'$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \left(\vec{j}(\vec{r}') \times \frac{(\vec{r}-\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|^3} \right) = \left(\frac{(\vec{r}-\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|^3} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \right) \vec{j}(\vec{r}') - (\vec{j}(\vec{r}') \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \frac{(\vec{r}-\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|^3} + \vec{j}(\vec{r}') \frac{\vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{r}-\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|^3} - \frac{(\vec{r}-\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|^3} \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{j}(\vec{r}')$$

$$= -(\vec{j}(\vec{r}') \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \frac{(\vec{r}-\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|^3} + 4\pi \vec{j}(\vec{r}') \delta(\vec{r}-\vec{r}')$$

So, when I take the curl of the which is μ_0 over 4π integration curl of $\vec{j}(\vec{r}') \times \frac{\vec{r}-\vec{r}'}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|^3}$ dV' prime curl of $\vec{j}(\vec{r}') \times \frac{\vec{r}-\vec{r}'}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|^3}$ is nothing but equal to $\frac{(\vec{r}-\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|^3} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \vec{j}(\vec{r}') - (\vec{j}(\vec{r}') \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \frac{(\vec{r}-\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|^3} + \vec{j}(\vec{r}') \frac{\vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{r}-\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|^3} - \frac{(\vec{r}-\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|^3} \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{j}(\vec{r}')$ dV' prime. And we have found this term is 0, this term is 0 and we left with $-(\vec{j}(\vec{r}') \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \frac{(\vec{r}-\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|^3} + 4\pi \vec{j}(\vec{r}') \delta(\vec{r}-\vec{r}')$ this is this term.

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$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int -\vec{j}(\vec{r}') \cdot \vec{\nabla} \frac{(\vec{r}-\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|^3} dv' + \mu_0 \int \vec{j}(\vec{r}') \delta(\vec{r}-\vec{r}') dv'$$

$$= \left(-\frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int (\vec{j}(\vec{r}') \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \frac{(\vec{r}-\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|^3} dv' \right) + \mu_0 \vec{j}(\vec{r})$$

And therefore, I have curl of B at r is equal to mu 0 over 4 pi integration of minus j r prime dot del r minus r prime over r minus r prime cubed plus mu 0 integration j r prime the 4 pi 4 pi cancels delta r minus r prime d v prime which is equal to mu 0 over 4 pi minus outside j r prime is a prime ((Refer Time: 15:39)) dot del operating on r minus r prime over r minus r prime cubed B prime plus mu 0 j r, j r is a current density as we already discussed the direction as there that of the current and this current per unit area, the only term we are now left evaluate is this term to do this again I will to a check.

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$$\int \vec{j}(\vec{r}') \cdot \vec{\nabla} \frac{(\vec{r}-\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|^3} dv'$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \frac{1}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|} = -\vec{\nabla}' \frac{1}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|}$$

$$-\int \vec{j}(\vec{r}') \cdot \vec{\nabla}' \frac{(\vec{r}-\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|^3} dv'$$

$$-\int (\vec{j}(\vec{r}') \cdot \vec{\nabla}') \frac{(\vec{r}-\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|^3} dv'$$

So, I am interested in evaluating $\int \vec{j}(\vec{r}') \cdot \vec{\nabla}' \left(\frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \right) dV'$. When $\vec{\nabla}'$ operates on $\frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}$ it is equivalent to $-\vec{\nabla}' \left(\frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \right)$ operating on $\frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}$. So, I can write this as $-\int \vec{j}(\vec{r}') \cdot \vec{\nabla}' \left(\frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \right) dV'$. So, I can write this as $-\int \vec{j}(\vec{r}') \cdot \vec{\nabla}' \left(\frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \right) dV'$.

To evaluate this I calculate this x, y and z components separately if I do x components is 0 and then you can check the same thing for y and z components. So, x component of this is going to be the minus sign $\int \vec{j}(\vec{r}') \cdot \vec{\nabla}' \left(\frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \right) dV'$, since this is a dot product already taken. So, there is no x component in this all three components come here I have $x - x'$ over $|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^3$ let us go to the next page.

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$$\int \vec{j}(\vec{r}') \cdot \vec{\nabla}' \left(\frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \right) dV'$$

$$= \int \vec{\nabla}' \cdot \left(\vec{j}(\vec{r}') \frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \right) dV' - \int \vec{j}(\vec{r}') \cdot \vec{\nabla}' \left(\frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \right) dV'$$

For steady currents $\vec{\nabla}' \cdot \vec{j}(\vec{r}') = -\frac{\partial \rho(\vec{r}')}{\partial t} = 0$

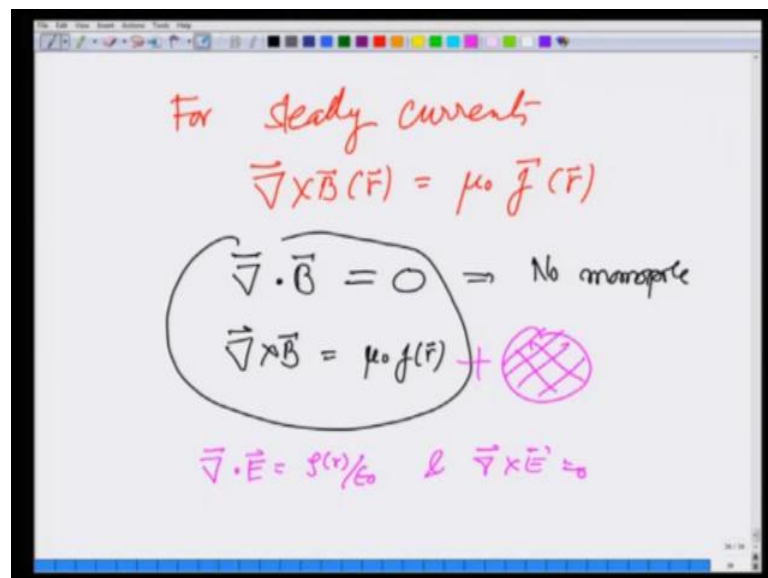
So, that I am evaluating is integration $\int \vec{j}(\vec{r}') \cdot \vec{\nabla}' \left(\frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \right) dV'$. I take only of the vector quantities $\frac{x - x'}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^3}$. Now, let us look at the divergence of this quantity with respect to $\vec{\nabla}'$ $\vec{\nabla}' \cdot \left(\frac{\vec{j}(\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \right)$, this is equal to divergence of $\vec{j}(\vec{r}') \frac{x - x'}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^3}$ plus $\vec{j}(\vec{r}') \cdot \vec{\nabla}' \left(\frac{x - x'}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^3} \right)$ with divergence.

If I integrate both sides with respect to dV' , this is what I get, notice that this term it precisely what I want. Now, for steady currents $\vec{\nabla}' \cdot \vec{j}(\vec{r}') = -\frac{\partial \rho(\vec{r}')}{\partial t} = 0$ which

otherwise is minus d row r prime d t is 0. Otherwise, it will be minus d row r prime d t right now is 0 for steady current only if the current time wearing this time does contribute and we will see later that this ((Refer Time: 19:36)) size of something called the displacement current for the time being for Bio-Savart law for steady currents this term is 0.

Another currents are localized; that means, for away from the system they go to 0, this divergence can be changed into a surface integral and that surface integral will also go to 0, because far away j has really becomes 0 on that surface. So, what you are left with this the last term, this term here since left hand side is 0, this term is 0, this term is also 0. So, what I have shown you now ((Refer Time: 20:11)), if I go back is that this term here is 0.

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And therefore, for steady currents we find that curl of B is mu 0 j the current density r. So, what we found in this lecture through Bio-Savart law that divergence of B is 0 and this physically means no mono pole and curl of B is mu 0 j of r, compare these equations with that for the electric field, where I had divergence of E as row r over Epsilon 0 and curl of E 0. So, here curl is B is non zero and divergence of B is 0 I remember this is true only for steady current, if this time dependent current then there will be a negation term here which will deal with data right now will focus only on magnitude statics and therefore, magnetic field you to steady currents.