

Physics Cup 2022 - Problem 1

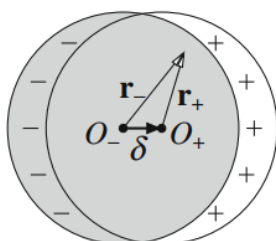
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Lemma 1. A dielectric sphere with an uniform polarization \vec{P} , the electric field inside the sphere is uniform and equals $\vec{E}_{in} = -\frac{\vec{P}}{3\epsilon_0}$.

Proof:

This model is equivalent to the superposition of two "rigid" spheres: one of uniform positive charge density ρ_0 , comprising the nuclei of the atoms, and a second sphere of the same radius, but of negative uniform charge density $-\rho_0$, comprising the electrons.



Indeed, the electrostatic field at any point in space is the sum of the fields generated by each charged sphere. The field generated by a single uniformly charged sphere at its interior is $\vec{E} = \frac{\rho_0 \vec{r}}{3\epsilon_0}$, where \vec{r} is the position vector relative to the center of the sphere. Thus, the two spheres generate at their interiors the fields $\vec{E}_{\pm} = \pm \frac{\rho_0 \vec{r}_{\pm}}{3\epsilon_0}$, respectively, \vec{r}_{\pm} being the position vectors relative to the two centers. We assume that the centers are located on the x axis at points $O_+ \equiv (+\frac{\delta}{2}, 0, 0)$ and $O_- \equiv (-\frac{\delta}{2}, 0, 0)$. We thus have $\vec{r}_{\pm} = \vec{r} \mp \frac{\delta}{2}$, where \vec{r} is the position vector relative to the origin $O \equiv (0, 0, 0)$. The total field in the overlap region is:

$$\vec{E}_{in} = \frac{\rho_0}{3\epsilon_0}(\vec{r} - \frac{\delta}{2}) - \frac{\rho_0}{3\epsilon_0}(\vec{r} + \frac{\delta}{2}) = -\frac{\rho_0 \delta}{3\epsilon_0}$$

The internal field E_{in} is thus uniform and proportional to $-\delta$.

The polarization vector of the sphere is:

$$\vec{P} = \rho_0 \delta = -3\epsilon_0 \vec{E}_{in} \Rightarrow \vec{E}_{in} = -\frac{\vec{P}}{3\epsilon_0}$$

Lemma 2. A sphere of radius R has a uniform and permanent magnetization \vec{M} , the magnetic field inside the sphere is uniform and equals $\vec{B} = -2\mu_0 \vec{M}$.

Proof:

- Maxwell's equations in vacuum:

$$+ \text{The electrostatic equations } \nabla \cdot \vec{D} = 0; \nabla \times \vec{E} = 0$$

$$+ \text{The magnetostatics equations } \nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0; \nabla \times \vec{H} = 0$$

- Relations:

$$+ \vec{D} = \epsilon_0 \vec{E} + \vec{P}$$

$$+ \vec{B} = \mu_0 (\vec{H} + \vec{M}) \quad (1)$$

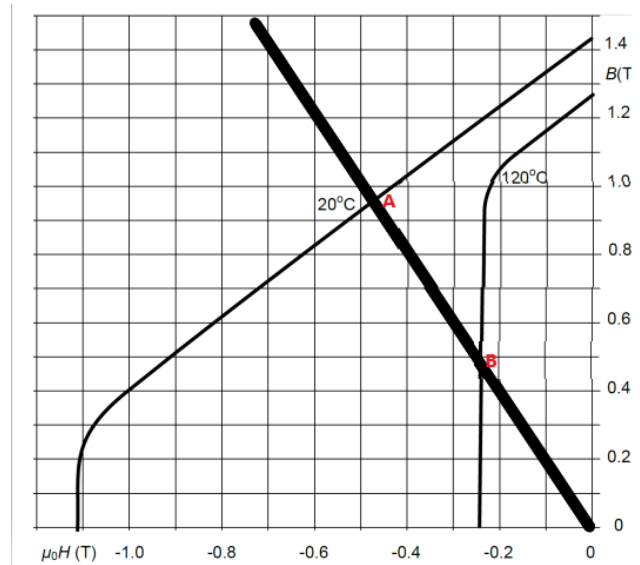
- The spatial distribution of \vec{M} is the same as that of \vec{P} in **Lemma 1**, and the boundary conditions for \vec{H} are the same as for \vec{E} .

From all the above analogies $\Rightarrow \frac{\epsilon_0 \vec{E}}{\vec{P}} = \frac{\vec{H}}{\vec{M}} = -\frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow \vec{M} = -3\vec{H}$ (2)

From (1) and (2) $\Rightarrow \vec{B} = -2\mu_0 \vec{H}$

Apply to solve the problem.

At any temperature T , the operating point of spherical ball made from a NdFeB alloy is the intersection of the left upper quadrant ($H < 0, B > 0$) of the hysteresis loop and the linear line $B = -2\mu_0 H$.



From the graph we see that:

The operating point of spherical ball $(\mu_0 H, B)$ is $(-0.475, 0.95)$ at $20^\circ C$ and $(-0.25, 0.5)$ at $120^\circ C$

The magnetic dipole moment of the ball: $m = M \times \frac{4}{3}\pi R^3$

From (2) $\Rightarrow m = -4\pi R^3 H$

So when the temperature increases from 20° to 120° , the magnetic dipole moment of the ball changes: $\Delta m = -4\pi R^3 \Delta H = -2.25(A/m^2)$