

Problem 2.63 a) The surface-current-density \mathbf{J}_s is the product of ordinary current-density \mathbf{J}_{free} and the *very small* thickness τ of the cylindrical shell, that is, $\mathbf{J}_s = \mathbf{J}_{\text{free}}\tau$. Considering that the units of \mathbf{J}_{free} are ampere/m², we conclude that \mathbf{J}_s has units of ampere/m.

b) In a cylindrical coordinate system the H -field has three components, namely H_ρ , H_ϕ , and H_z . Due to the symmetry of the setup, these field components must be independent of the ϕ and z coordinates. This is because the current-carrying cylinder would look exactly the same if the ρ and z coordinates of the observation point were fixed while its ϕ coordinate varied. Similarly, the system would look the same if the ρ and ϕ coordinates of the observation point were fixed while its z coordinate varied. The H -field components, therefore, can only be functions of the ρ coordinate.

c) In conjunction with Maxwell's 4th equation, $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$, we use a cylindrical volume of radius ρ and length L , centered on the z -axis, to show that $H_\rho(\rho) = 0$. Clearly, $H_\phi(\rho)$ does not contribute to the surface integral of $\mathbf{B} = \mu_0\mathbf{H}$ over the cylinder. Also, contributions from $H_z(\rho)$ to the top and bottom facets of the cylinder cancel each other out. The contribution of $H_\rho(\rho)$ to the surface integral is $2\pi\rho LH_\rho(\rho)$, but the overall surface integral must be zero and, therefore, $H_\rho(\rho) = 0$.

Next, we use a circular loop of radius ρ in the xy -plane in conjunction with Maxwell's 2nd equation, $\nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{J}_{\text{free}}$, to demonstrate that $H_\phi(\rho) = 0$. The line integral of H_ϕ around the loop is $2\pi\rho H_\phi(\rho)$. However, no current crosses the loop and, therefore, $H_\phi(\rho) = 0$.

Finally, we use rectangular loops in the ρz -plane, again in conjunction with Maxwell's 2nd equation, to obtain information about $H_z(\rho)$. If the rectangular loop is placed entirely outside the cylinder we find that no current crosses the loop and that, therefore, H_z outside the cylinder is uniform. Similarly, placing the rectangular loop inside the cylinder shows that H_z inside the cylinder is uniform as well. However, if the $L \times W$ rectangle has one leg inside and the opposite leg outside the cylinder, the integral of H_z around the loop will be $[H_z^{(\text{inside})} - H_z^{(\text{outside})}]L$, while the current that crosses the loop will be $J_{s0}L$. Consequently, $H_z^{(\text{inside})} - H_z^{(\text{outside})} = J_{s0}$.

Given that a uniform H_z field residing in the entire space cannot, in any way, be related via Maxwell's equations to the solenoidal current $J_{s0}\hat{\phi}$, we conclude that $H_z^{(\text{outside})} = 0$. Therefore,

$$\mathbf{H}(\rho, \phi, z) = \begin{cases} J_{s0}\hat{\mathbf{z}}; & 0 \leq \rho < R, \\ 0; & \rho > R. \end{cases}$$