

Problem 20)
$$\vec{B} = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A} = \vec{\nabla} \times \left(\frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int_{V'} \frac{\vec{J}(\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} dv' \right) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int_{V'} \vec{\nabla} \times \left[\frac{\vec{J}(\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \right] dv'$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int_{V'} \left\{ \frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{J}(\vec{r}') + \left[\vec{\nabla} \left(\frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \right) \right] \times \vec{J}(\vec{r}') \right\} dv'$$

Note that the $\vec{\nabla}$ operator operates on the variable \vec{r} not \vec{r}' .

Therefore, $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{J}(\vec{r}') = 0$, because $\vec{J}(\vec{r}')$ is not a function of \vec{r} .

From the preceding problem (Problem 3-8) we know that

$$\vec{\nabla} \left(\frac{1}{|\vec{r}|} \right) = -\frac{\vec{r}}{|\vec{r}|^3}. \quad \text{A change of variable to } (\vec{r} - \vec{r}') \text{ shows}$$

that
$$\vec{\nabla} \left(\frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \right) = -\frac{(\vec{r} - \vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^3}. \quad \text{We thus have:}$$

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