

## Magnetism (Part II)

### In this lecture

- ★ Magnetic field
- ★ Magnetic force on a moving charge
- ★ Magnetic Field Lines
- ★ Magnetism for MRI

### Magnetic Field

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#### Electric Field, E

- Collection of electric charge at rest creates an *electric field*, E
- Field exerts force  $F=q \times E$  on other charge, q

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#### Magnetic Field, B

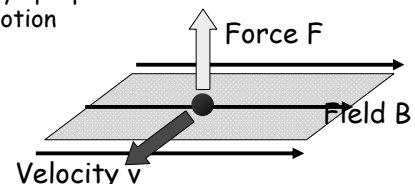
- A moving charge (or current) creates a *magnetic field*, B
- Field exerts force on any other moving charge in the field

### Moving Charges in a B-Field

- Characteristics of force on a charge moving in a magnetic field
- Magnitude of force proportional to
  1. Size of charge
  2. 'Strength' of magnetic field
  3. Speed of moving charge!

### Moving Charges in a B-Field

- Characteristics of force on a charge moving in a magnetic field
- Direction of force
  - Always perpendicular to both B and direction of motion



## Moving Charges in a B-Field

- Magnitude of force is proportional to the component of velocity perpendicular to the B field

$$\mathbf{F} = q \times \mathbf{v}_{\perp} \times \mathbf{B}$$

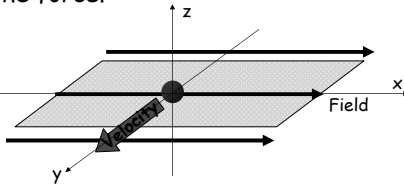
- When that component is zero (i.e. v and B are parallel or anti-parallel) the force is zero

## Magnetic Field Strength

- SI units of magnetic field strength is the Tesla (T)
- One Tesla = 1 N/A m
- Older unit: gauss (G)
- One Tesla = 10,000 gauss
- Earth's magnetic field strength:
  - Approximately 50μT at equator & 100μT at poles
  - (Magnetic door latch ~100 mT)

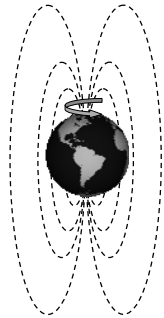
## Example

- A beam of protons moves through a uniform magnetic field of 2T, directed along the x-axis. The protons are travelling along the y-axis at with a velocity of  $3 \times 10^5 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ . What is the magnitude of the force?
- What would change if an electron beam was used instead of a proton beam?



## Magnetic Field Lines

- As with electric field magnetic field can be represented by field lines
- Unlike electric field lines, they do NOT point in the direction of the force on a charge
- They point along the direction that a compass needle would point
- Density of lines proportional to field strength
- Field lines never intersect!

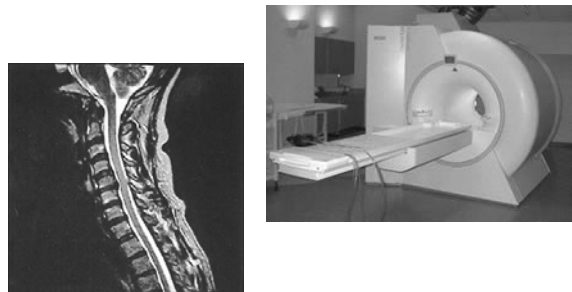


## Magnetic Field Lines

- Common sources of magnetic fields
  - Permanent bar magnet
  - Solenoid
  - Iron core electromagnet
  - Straight wire
  - Loop of wire

## MRI (Magnetic Resonance Imaging)

Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR)



## Protons in a Magnetic Field

- Not all nuclei exhibit NMR
- Must have odd number of nucleons and therefore exhibit magnetic component or a **MAGNETIC MOMENT**

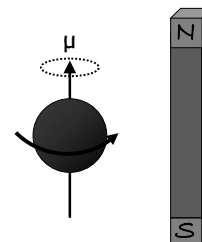
$^1\text{H}$  - Hydrogen

$^{13}\text{C}$  - Carbon

$^{31}\text{P}$  - Phosphorous

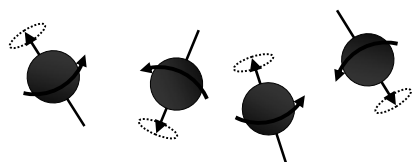
## Protons in a Magnetic Field

- Hydrogen proton can be compared to a bar magnet
- Magnetic moment,  $\mu$



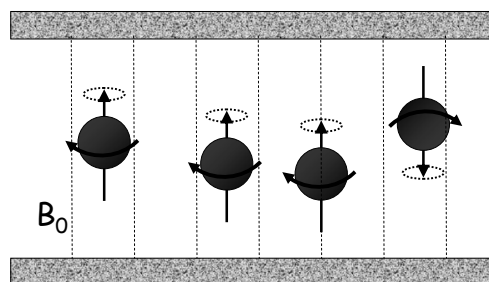
## Protons in a Magnetic Field

- In the absence of B-field protons can adopt ANY orientation



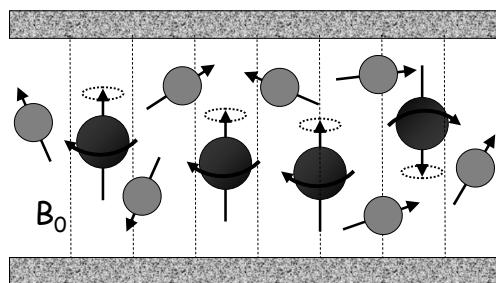
## Protons in a Magnetic Field

- Switch on B-field



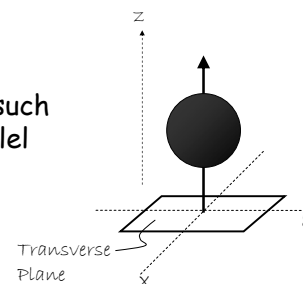
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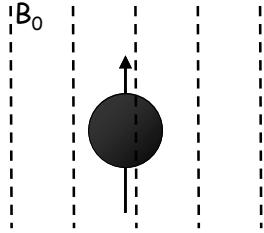
## 3-Dimensional Co-ordinate System

- Axes  $x, y, z$
- Define axes such the  $z$  is parallel with  $B_0$



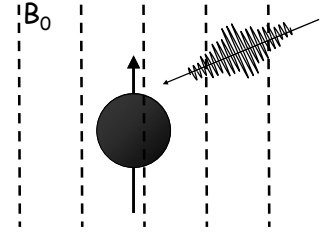
## Precession

- Spins align with B-field



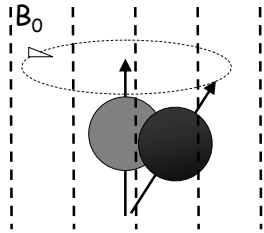
## Precession

- Additional energy from RF pulse



## Precession

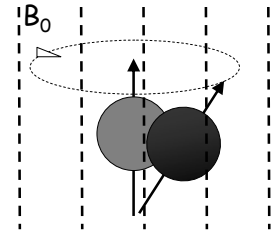
- Spins rotate about mean position
- Analogous to spinning top in gravitational field



## Precession

$$\omega_L = \gamma B_0$$

- Frequency of rotation known as **Larmor frequency**,  $\omega_L$
- Governed by strength of magnetic field and property of spin called **gyromagnetic ratio**,  $\gamma$



## Precession

Gyromagnetic Ratio

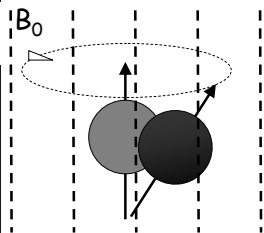
$$\gamma = \frac{\text{Magnetic Moment}}{\text{Spin Angular Momentum}}$$

$$\gamma = \frac{\mu}{2\pi L}$$

$$\gamma = \frac{1.41 \times 10^{-26} \text{ JT}^{-1}}{2\pi \times 0.527 \times 10^{-34} \text{ Js}^{-1}}$$

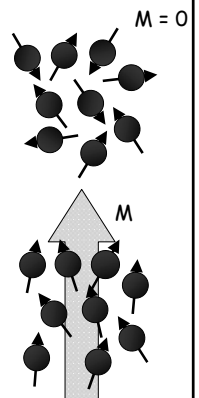
$$\gamma = 42.58 \text{ MHz T}^{-1}$$

$$\omega = \gamma B_0$$



## Magnetisation Vector

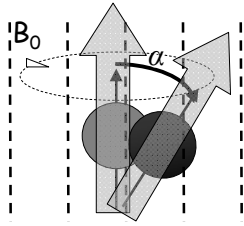
- Magnetisation Vector,  $M$
- Represents the net magnetic moment or the 'sum behaviour' of all protons in sample



## Magnetisation Vector

### Flip Angle

- Depends upon pulse energy
- $B_1$  = B-field associated with pulse
- $t_p$  = pulse duration
- Angle controlled by varying pulse time or amplitude



$$\alpha = \gamma B_1 t_p$$

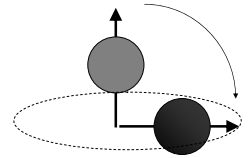
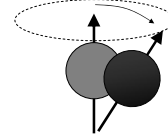
- Magnetisation Vector is flipped
- Not protons

## Magnetisation Vector

Proton in  $B_0$   
Maximum  $M_z$   
Zero  $M_{x,y}$

RF Pulse  
 $M_z$   
 $M_{xy}$

Larger RF Pulse  
Zero  $M_z$   
Maximum  $M_{x,y}$



## Summary

- ★ Magnetic field
- ★ Magnetic force on a moving charge
- ★ Magnetic Field Lines
- ★ Magnetism for MRI

## Practice Questions

### PAM2011: Lecture 8 Problem Sheet

1. Magnetic fields in excess of 5 gauss can interfere with cardiac pacemakers. How many mT is this?
2. A beam of protons moves through a uniform magnetic field of 4T, directed along the positive x-axis. The protons are travelling along the y-axis at with a velocity of  $1.5 \times 10^5 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ . What is the magnitude of the force and along which direction does the force act?
3. A beam of electrons moves through a uniform magnetic field of 1T, directed along the positive x-axis. The protons are travelling at an angle of  $30^\circ$  to the y-axis at with a velocity of  $1 \times 10^5 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ . What is the magnitude of the force and along which direction does the force act?
4. An electron beam travelling at a velocity of  $1 \times 10^6 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  through a magnetic field of 1T experiences a force of  $4 \times 10^{-14} \text{ N}$ . What is the angle between the direction of the electron beam and the magnetic field?