

**EMB** A thin spherical shell of radius  $R$  has a uniform surface charge

$$\sigma = Q/4\pi R^2.$$

The shell and charge are rotating slowly (so relativistic effects are negligible) at angular velocity  $\boldsymbol{\omega}$ .

- a) By considering the current caused by the moving charge, compute the magnetic dipole moment of the rotating sphere and show that it is of the form  $\boldsymbol{\mu} = C\boldsymbol{\omega}$ . You should express the constant  $C$  in terms of the total charge  $Q$ , the radius  $R$ , and perhaps other constants that depend on the system of units you are using. (Hint: you may cite without proof the fact that the moment of inertia of a spherical shell of total mass  $M$  is given by  $I = 2MR^2/3$ .)

It is guessed by a student that the  $\mathbf{B}$  field produced by the rotating charge distribution must be of the form

$$\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r}) = \begin{cases} (\mu_0/4\pi r^3)(3(\mathbf{m} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}})\hat{\mathbf{r}} - \mathbf{m}), & r > R, \\ A \mathbf{m}, & r < R, \end{cases}$$

where  $A$  is a constant,  $\mathbf{m}$  is some vector parallel to  $\boldsymbol{\omega}$ , and  $\hat{\mathbf{r}} = \mathbf{r}/r$  is the unit vector in the radial direction.

- b) Explain what general boundary condition determines the discontinuity in direction and magnitude of a magnetic field across a surface current.
- c) For the student's guessed  $\mathbf{B}$  field, use your general boundary condition from part (b) to determine first the constant  $A$ , and then the surface current that gives rise to her field.
- d) Compare your answer to part (c) with the surface current that is actually flowing in the rotating charged shell. Do they agree for some value of  $\mathbf{m}$ ?
- e) Compute the field momentum density  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H}/c^2$ . The total angular momentum in the electromagnetic field is of the form  $I_{\text{field}}\boldsymbol{\omega}$ . Is the constant  $I_{\text{field}}$  positive or negative?