

Level 2 EM question 2 2002/3

- a) An infinite straight wire of radius R carries a steady current, I , which is assumed to be uniformly distributed throughout its circular cross-section. By considering an imaginary circular loop with radius $r < R$ centred on the axis of the wire perform an appropriate integration of $\nabla \times \underline{B} = \mu_0 \underline{J}$ to obtain an expression for the magnetic induction, $B(r)$, inside the wire.
- b) Charge is uniformly distributed with density ρ within an infinite cylinder of radius R . Beginning with $\nabla \cdot \underline{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$ perform an appropriate integration involving an imaginary cylinder of radius r and length L to obtain an expression for the electric field, $E(r)$, within the cylinder.