

A5) (5 points) Prove that the force per unit volume in the x-direction acting on a small paramagnetic particle in an inhomogeneous magnetic field is given to a good approximation by

$$\frac{1}{2} \chi \mu_0 \frac{d}{dx} (H^2),$$

where  $\chi$  is the magnetic susceptibility of the particle, and the particle is in air.

(5 points) Apply this result to the following situation: A rod of sulphur, of  $1.0 \text{ cm}^2$  cross-sectional area, is placed in air in a non-uniform magnetic field, the direction of the field at each end of the specimen being at right angles to its axis. The strength of the field at one end is  $1.2 \text{ T}$  and at the other end  $0.3 \text{ T}$ . The force on the rod due to the field acts parallel to its axis and has magnitude  $6.5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ N}$ . Find the magnetic susceptibility of sulphur.

