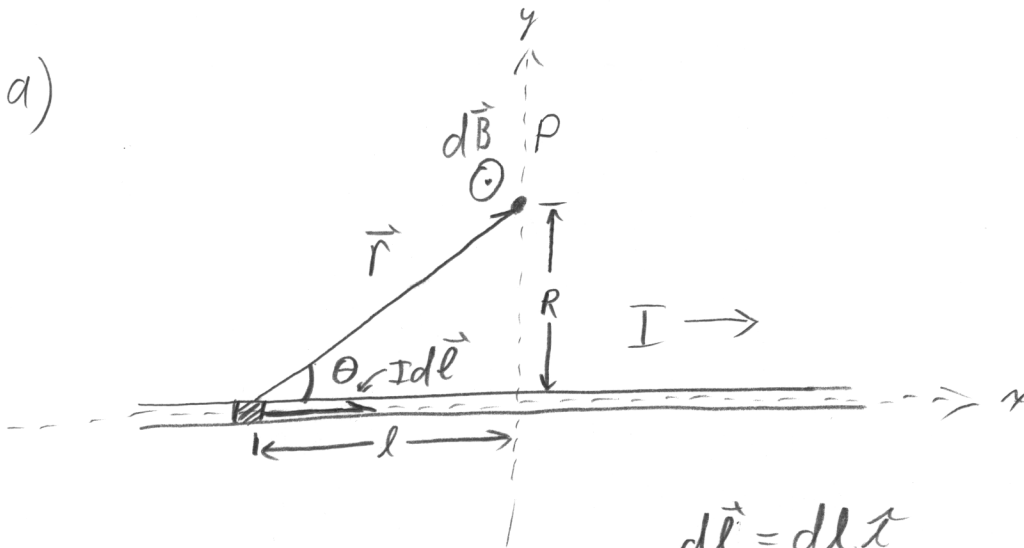


- a) Find the magnetic field a distance R away from an infinitely long straight wire.
- b) Find the magnetic field a perpendicular distance R away from the end of a semi-infinite wire,
- c) Find the magnetic field a parallel distance R away from the end of a semi-infinite wire,



$$d\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{d\vec{l} \times \hat{r}}{r^2}, \quad d\vec{l} = dl \hat{x}$$

$$\vec{r} = l\hat{x} + R\hat{y}$$

$$\Rightarrow d\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{Idl \hat{x} \times (l\hat{x} + R\hat{y})}{(l^2 + R^2)^{3/2}}, \quad \hat{x} \times \hat{x} = 0, \quad \hat{x} \times \hat{y} = \hat{z}$$

$$d\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{IR \hat{z}}{(l^2 + R^2)^{3/2}} dl \Rightarrow \vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 RI}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dl \hat{z}}{(l^2 + R^2)^{3/2}}$$

Let: $l = R \tan \theta \Rightarrow dl = R \sec^2 \theta d\theta$

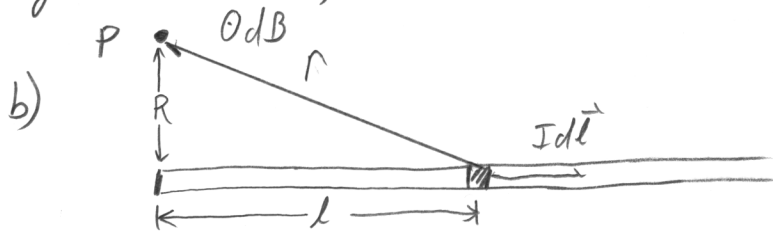
$$\Rightarrow \vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 RI}{4\pi} \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \frac{R \sec^2 \theta \hat{z}}{R^3 \sec^3 \theta} d\theta \Rightarrow \vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi R} \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \cos \theta d\theta \hat{z}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi R} \hat{z}}$$

continued



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This is essentially the same integral as part a with different limits.

$$\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 R I}{4\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dl}{(l^2 + R^2)^{3/2}} \hat{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 R I}{4\pi} \hat{k}}$$



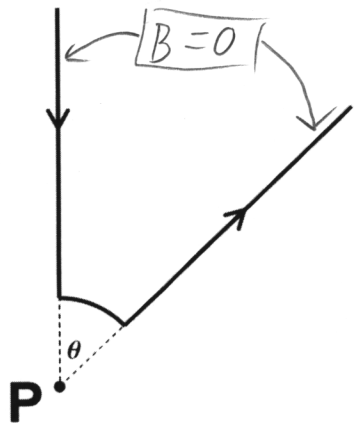
Here, $I d\vec{l} \times \vec{r} = 0$ since $d\vec{l} \parallel \vec{r}$

so: $\underline{\underline{\vec{B} = 0}}$

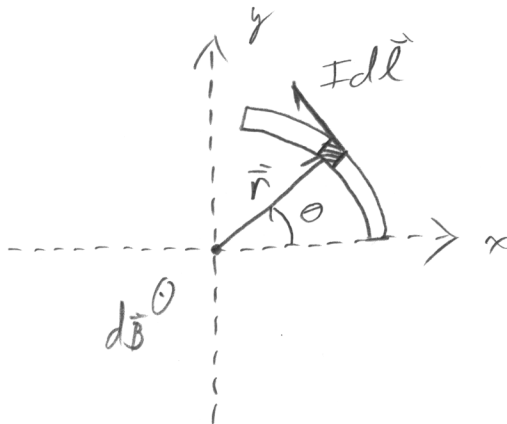
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A current path shaped as shown produces a magnetic field. The semi-circular arc subtends an angle of θ and has a radius r . The wire carried current I .

Derive an expression for the magnitude field vector at the center of the arc (point P).



I like to redraw this one:



$$d\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{I d\vec{l} \times \vec{r}}{r^2}$$

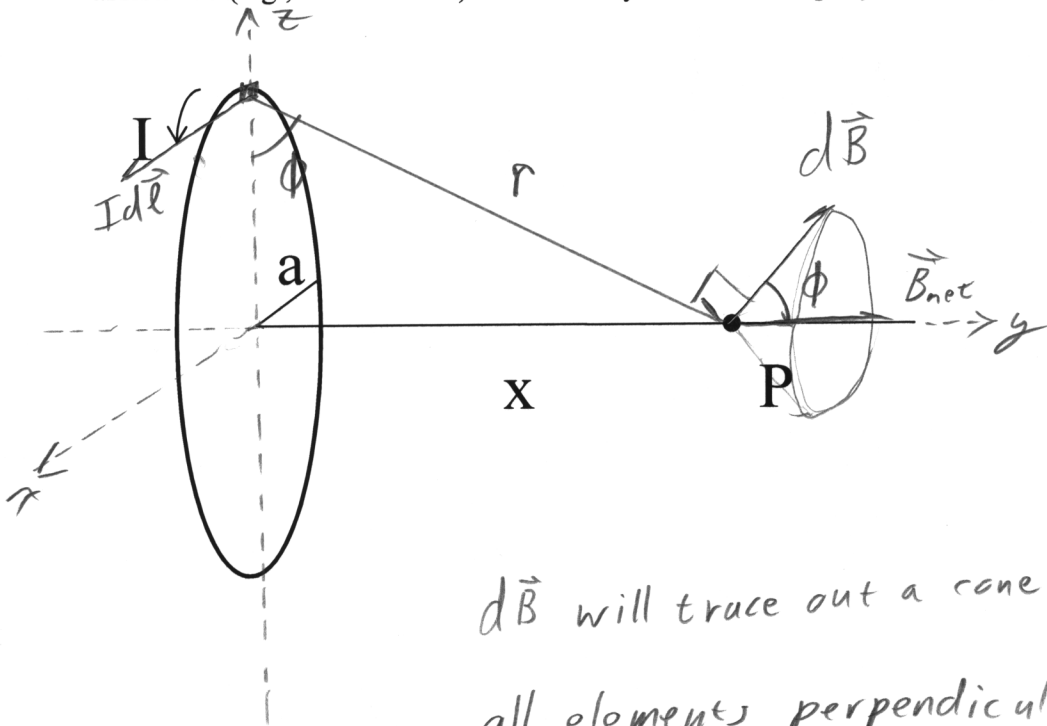
$$\begin{aligned} d\vec{l} \times \vec{r} &= |d\vec{l}| |\vec{r}| \sin(90^\circ) \hat{k} \\ &= dl \hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow d\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \frac{dl}{r^2} \hat{k}, \quad dl = r d\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow d\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi r^2} r d\theta \hat{k} \Rightarrow \vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi r} \int_0^\theta d\theta \hat{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I \theta \hat{k}}{4\pi r}}$$

Use the Biot-Savart law to derive a formula for the magnetic field a distance x along the axis of a vertical current loop with radius a and current I (the loop is perpendicular to the page). You may use Example 26.3 in your book as a guide, but be sure that you can eventually solve this problem with no assistance (e.g., on the exam). How does your result simplify for the special case of $x = 0$?



$d\vec{B}$ will trace out a cone around the y -axis
 all elements perpendicular to \hat{x} will
 cancel, in pairs."

$$\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{I d\vec{l}}{r^2} \cos\phi \hat{x}, \quad \cos\phi = \frac{a}{r} = \frac{a}{(x^2+a^2)^{1/2}}$$

$$dl = a d\theta$$

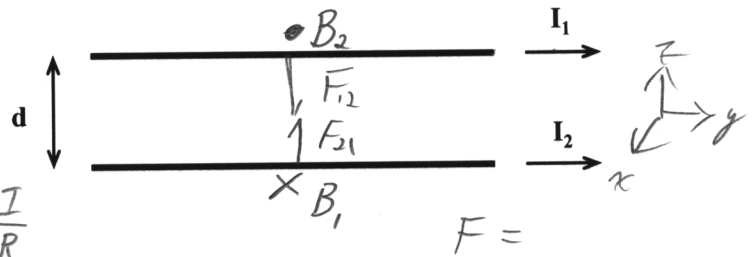
$$\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{a d\theta}{r^2} \frac{a}{(x^2+a^2)^{1/2}} \hat{x} = \frac{\mu_0 I a^2}{r^2 4\pi (x^2+a^2)^{1/2}} \int_0^{2\pi} \hat{x} d\theta$$

$$\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I a^2}{2 r^2 (x^2+a^2)^{1/2}} \hat{x} \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow 0, \quad \vec{B} \rightarrow \frac{\mu_0 I a}{2 r^2} \hat{x}$$

We know that current-carrying wires produce magnetic fields, and we know that magnetic fields exert forces on current-carrying wires. Thus, two parallel current-carrying wires can either attract or repel each other, depending on their current directions.

(a) Consider two wires of length L (which is very long), separated by a distance d , that carry currents in the same direction. Do the wires attract or repel each other? What is the magnitude and direction of the force \vec{F}_{21} exerted on wire 2 by wire 1? What is the force \vec{F}_{12} exerted on wire 1 by wire 2?

Hint: Consider the B-field produced by wire 1 at the location of wire 2. Use this result to calculate the force on wire 2.

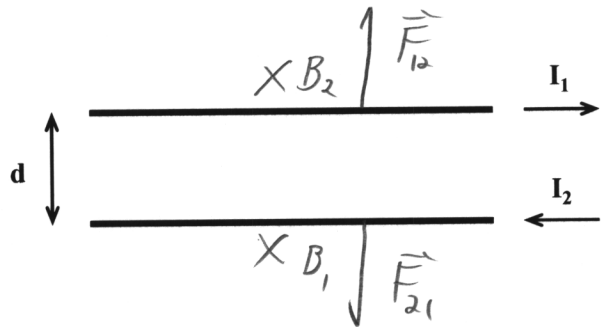


For a "very long" wire, $|\vec{B}| = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi R}$

and, Force on a wire, $\vec{F} = I(\vec{L} \times \vec{B})$

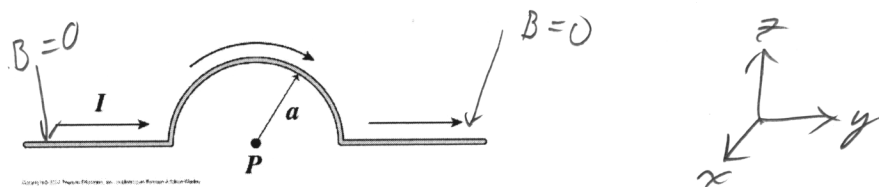
$$\vec{F}_{12} = -ILB \cdot \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi d} \hat{k}$$

(b) Now repeat the problem for two wires carrying currents in opposite directions.



$$\vec{F}_{12} = ILB \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi d} \hat{k}$$

Part of a long wire is bent into a semicircle of radius a , as in the figure below. A current I flows in the direction shown. Use the Biot-Savart law to find the magnetic field at the center of the semicircle (point P).



Earlier, we derived:

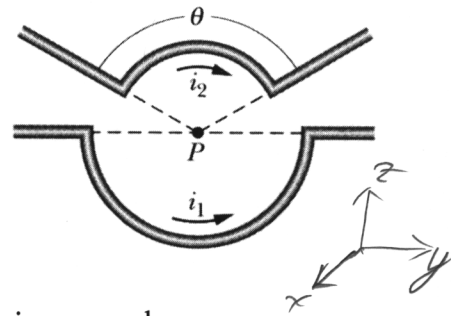
$$|\vec{B}| = \frac{\mu_0 I \theta}{4\pi r} \text{ For an arc.}$$

By the rhr, the direction is $-\hat{x}$

$$\text{So: } \vec{B} = -\frac{\mu_0 I \pi}{4\pi r} \Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4r}}$$

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The figure shows two current segments. The lower segment carries a current of I_1 and includes a semicircular arc with radius r_1 subtending an angle of 180 degrees a center point P . The upper segment carries current $I_2 = 2I_1$ and includes a circular arc with radius $r_2 = 0.5r_1$ and subtends an angle of 120 degrees with the same center point P .



a) What is the magnitude and direction of the net magnetic field at point P for the indicated current directions?

b) What are the magnitude and direction of the net magnetic field at point P if I_1 is reversed.

a) upper loop:

$$\theta_1 = 120^\circ = 120^\circ \frac{\pi}{180^\circ} \text{ rad} = \frac{2}{3}\pi$$

$$\vec{B}_u = -\frac{\mu_0 I \frac{2}{3}\pi}{4\pi r_2} \hat{x} = -\frac{\mu_0 I \frac{2}{3}\pi}{4\pi \cdot \frac{1}{2}r_1}$$

$$\vec{B}_L = \frac{\mu_0 I \pi}{4\pi r_1} \hat{x}$$

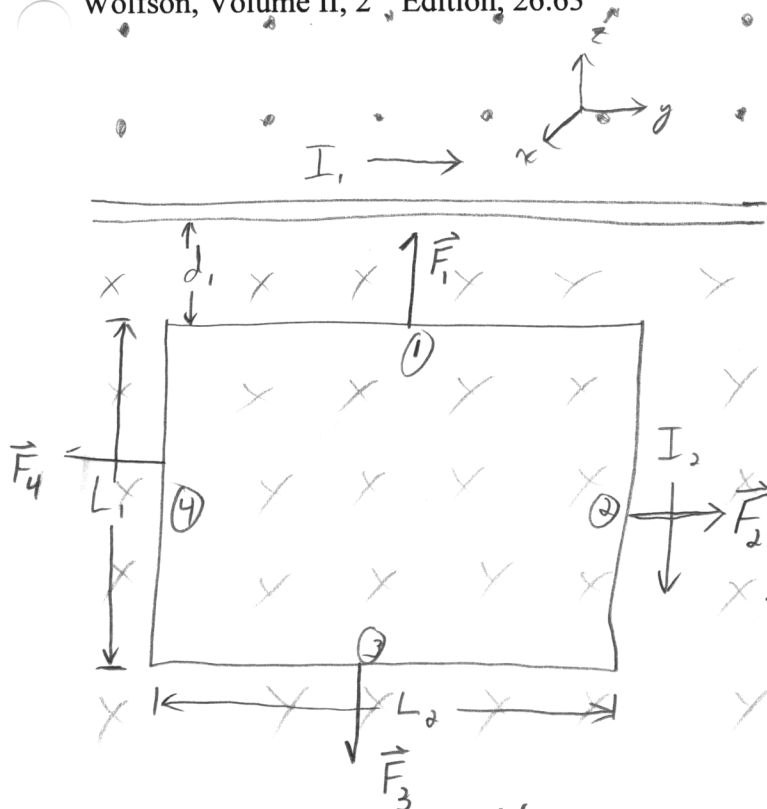
$$\vec{B}_{\text{net}} = \left[\frac{\mu_0 I \pi}{4\pi r_1} - \frac{\mu_0 I \frac{2}{3}\pi}{4\pi \cdot \frac{1}{2}r_1} \right] \hat{x}$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0 I}{4r_1} \left[1 - \frac{1}{3} \right] \hat{x} \Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{B}_{\text{net}} = \frac{2}{3} \frac{\mu_0 I}{4r_1} \hat{x}}$$

b) if I_1 is reversed, the sign of B_L flips to -

$$\Rightarrow \vec{B}_{\text{net}} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4r_1} \left[-1 - \frac{1}{3} \right] \Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{B}_{\text{net}} = -\frac{4}{3} \frac{\mu_0 I}{4r_1} \hat{x}}$$

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Given

- $I_1 = 20A$
- $d = 2.0cm$
- $L_1 = 5.0cm$
- $L_2 = 10cm$
- $I_2 = 500mA$

Want \vec{F}_{Bnet}

RHR gives field direction

From a previous problem, The field due to a long straight wire is:

$$|\vec{B}| = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi R} \quad \text{where } R \text{ is the perpendicular distance to the wire.}$$

We also know that the force on a piece of a current carrying wire in a magnetic field is:

$$d\vec{F}_B = I (d\vec{l} \times \vec{B})$$

Now we can sum up the 4 sides of the loop

continued



Magnetics Set 3 - P7 (continued)

Sides ① and ③, the field is uniform along the segment:

$$\text{So: } \vec{F}_B = I_2(\vec{L} \times \vec{B}), \quad \vec{L}_1 = L_2 \hat{j}, \quad \vec{L}_3 = -L_2 \hat{j}$$
$$\vec{B}_1 = -\frac{\mu_0 I_1}{2\pi d} \hat{k}, \quad \vec{B}_3 = \frac{\mu_0 I_1}{2\pi(d+L_1)} \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{F}_1 = I_2(L_2 \hat{j} \times (-\frac{\mu_0 I_1}{2\pi d}) \hat{k})$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{F}_1 = I_2 L_2 \frac{\mu_0 I_1}{2\pi d} \hat{k}}$$

$$\vec{F}_3 = I_2(-L_2 \hat{j} \times (\frac{\mu_0 I_1}{2\pi(d+L_1)}) \hat{k})$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{F}_3 = -\frac{\mu_0 I_1 I_2 L_2}{2\pi(d+L_1)} \hat{k}}$$

Although we could integrate to get \vec{F}_2 and \vec{F}_4 , it is clear that they cancel by symmetry.

$$\text{So: } \vec{F}_{\text{net}} = \vec{F}_1 + \vec{F}_3 = \left(\frac{\mu_0 L_2 I_1 I_2}{2\pi d} - \frac{\mu_0 L_2 I_1 I_2}{2\pi(d+L_1)} \right) \hat{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{F}_{\text{net}} = \frac{\mu_0 L_2 I_1 I_2}{2\pi} \left(\frac{1}{d} - \frac{1}{d+L_1} \right) \hat{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = \frac{\mu_0 L_2 I_1 I_2}{2\pi} \cdot \frac{L_1}{d(d+L_1)} \hat{k}}$$