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Review



- μ_0 is the magnetic permeability of free space whose value is

$$\mu_0 = 4\pi \cdot 10^{-7} \frac{\text{Tm}}{\text{A}}$$

- The magnitude of the magnetic field at a distance r from a long, straight wire carrying current i is given by

$$B(r) = \frac{\mu_0 i}{2\pi r}$$

- The magnitude of the magnetic field at the center of a loop with radius R carrying current i is given by

$$B = \frac{\mu_0 i}{2R}$$

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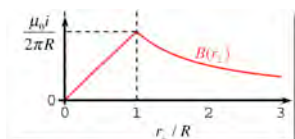


- Ampere's Law is

$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{s} = \mu_0 i_{enc}$$

- where the integral is carried out around an Amperian loop and i_{enc} is the current enclosed by the loop
- The magnitude of the magnetic field inside a long wire with radius R carrying a current i at a radius r_{\perp} is given by

$$B(r_{\perp}) = \left(\frac{\mu_0 i}{2\pi R^2} \right) r_{\perp}$$



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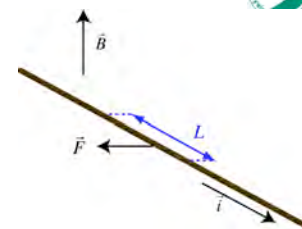
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Force on a Current Carrying Wire



- Consider a long, straight wire carrying a current i in a constant magnetic field B
- The magnetic field will exert a force on the moving charges in the wire



- The charge q flowing in the wire in a given time t in a length L of wire is given by

$$q = ti = \frac{L}{v} i$$

- where v is the drift velocity of the electrons

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Force on a Current Carrying Wire (2)



- The magnitude of the magnetic force is then

$$F = qvB \sin \theta = \left(\frac{L}{v} i \right) vB = iLB \sin \theta$$

- θ is the angle between the current and the magnetic field
- The direction of the force is perpendicular to both the current and the magnetic field and is given by the right hand rule
- This equation can be expressed as a vector cross product

$$\vec{F} = i\vec{L} \times \vec{B}$$
- iL represents the current in a length L of wire

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Parallel Current Carrying Wires



- Consider the case in which two parallel wires are carrying current
- The two wires will exert a magnetic force on each other because the magnetic field of one wire will exert a force on the moving charges in the second wire
- The magnitude of the magnetic field created by a current carrying wire is given by

$$B(r) = \frac{\mu_0 i}{2\pi r}$$

- This magnetic field is always perpendicular to the wire with a direction given by the right hand rule.

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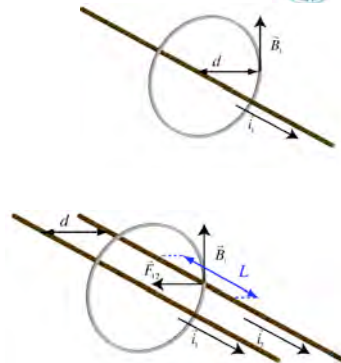
Parallel Current Carrying Wires (2)



- Let's start with wire one carrying a current i_1 to the right
- The magnitude of the magnetic field a distance d from wire one is

$$B_1 = \frac{\mu_0 i_1}{2\pi d}$$

- Now consider wire two carrying a current i_2 in the same direction as i_1 placed a distance d from wire one
- The magnetic field due to wire one will exert a magnetic force on the moving charges in the current flowing in wire two



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Parallel Current Carrying Wires (3)



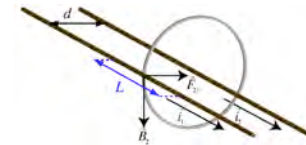
- The charge q_2 flowing in wire two in a given time t in a length L of wire is given by

$$q_2 = ti_2 = \frac{L}{v} i_2$$

- where v is the drift speed of the charge carriers
- The magnetic force is then

$$F = qvB = \left(\frac{L}{v} i_2 \right) vB_1 = i_2 L B_1$$
- Putting in our expression for B_1 we get

$$F_{12} = i_2 L \left(\frac{\mu_0 i_1}{2\pi d} \right) = \frac{\mu_0 i_1 i_2 L}{2\pi d}$$



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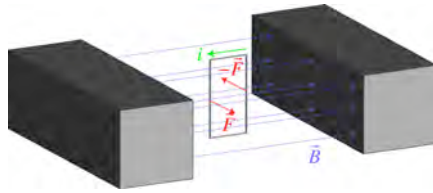
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Torque on a Current-Carrying Loop



- Electric motors rely on the magnetic force exerted on a current carrying wire
- This force is used to create a torque that turns a shaft
- A simple electric motor is depicted below consisting of a single loop carrying current i in a constant magnetic field B



- The two magnetic forces, F and $-F$, shown in the figure are of equal magnitude and opposite direction
- These forces create a torque that tends to rotate the loop around its axis

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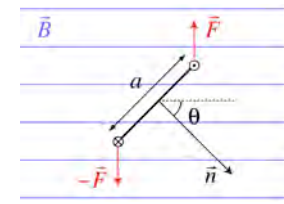
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Torque on a Current-Carrying Loop (2)



- As the coil turns in the field, the forces on the sides of the loop perpendicular to the magnetic field will change
- The forces on the square loop with sides a are illustrated below where θ is the angle between a normal vector, \vec{n} , and the magnetic field B



- The normal vector is perpendicular to the plane of the wire loop and points in a direction given by the right hand rule based on the current flowing in the loop

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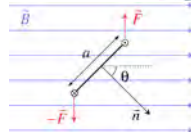
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Torque on a Current-Carrying Loop (3)



- Here the current is flowing upward in the top segment and downward in the lower segment as illustrated by the arrow feathers and arrowhead



- The force each of the vertical segments is $F = iaB$
- The force on the other two sides is parallel or anti-parallel to the axis of rotation and cannot cause a torque
- The sum of the torque on the upper side plus the torque on the lower side gives the torque exerted on the coil about the center of the loop

$$\tau_1 = (iaB)\left(\frac{a}{2}\right)\sin\theta + (iaB)\left(\frac{a}{2}\right)\sin\theta = ia^2B\sin\theta = iAB\sin\theta$$

- where $A = a^2$

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Magnetic Dipole Moment



- If we replace this loop with N loops wound close together we can write

$$\tau = N\tau_1 = NiAB\sin\theta$$

- Although we derived this expression for a square loop, this expression applies to circular loops as well as long as the magnetic field is uniform
- We can describe this coil with one parameter consisting of information about the coil only, combined with information about the magnetic field
- We define the magnitude of the **magnetic dipole moment** of the coil above to be

$$\mu = NiA$$

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Magnetic Dipole Moment (2)

- The direction of the magnetic dipole moment, μ , is given by the right hand rule and points in the direction of the surface normal vector n



- We can rewrite our expression for the torque as

$$\tau = (NiA)B\sin\theta = \mu B\sin\theta$$

- which we can generalize to

$$\vec{\tau} = \vec{\mu} \times \vec{B}$$

- The torque will always be perpendicular the magnetic field magnetic dipole moment and the magnetic field

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Potential Energy of a Magnetic Dipole

- A magnetic dipole has a potential energy in an external magnetic field
 - If the magnetic dipole is aligned with the magnetic field, it is in its minimum energy condition
 - If the magnetic dipole oriented in a direction opposite to the external field, the dipole is in its maximum energy condition
- The magnetic potential energy U of a magnetic dipole in an external magnetic field B can be written as

$$U = -\vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{B} = -\mu B \cos\theta$$

- where θ is the angle between the magnetic dipole moment and the external field.
- This potential energy of orientation can be applied to many physical situations concerning magnetic dipoles in external magnetic fields

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Magnetic Fields of Solenoids

- Current flowing through a single loop of wire produces a magnetic field that is not very uniform
- Applications often require a uniform magnetic field
- A common first step toward a more uniform magnetic field is the Helmholtz coil
- A Helmholtz coil consists of two sets of coaxial wire loops
- Each set of coaxial loops acts like a single loop
- Carrying the idea of multiple loops one step farther, we could attempt to generate a constant magnetic field lines from four loops
- Let's look at the progression...

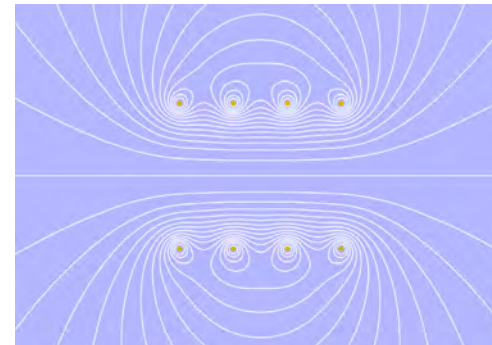


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Magnetic Fields of Solenoids (2)



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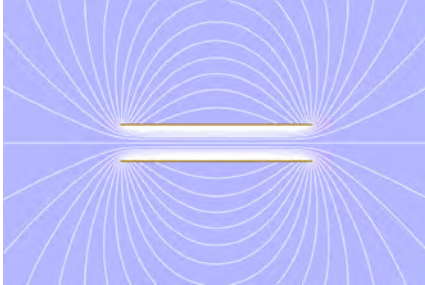
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Magnetic Fields of Solenoids (3)



- To create a uniform magnetic field, a solenoid is used consisting of many loops wound close together
- Solenoids have many applications and are found in everyday life
- The magnetic field lines from a solenoid with 600 turns are shown below



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Ideal Solenoids



- The field from a real-life solenoid has fringe fields near the ends of the solenoid
 - The field is constant away from the ends of the solenoid
 - There is a small fringe field outside the solenoid near the ends of the solenoid
- An ideal solenoid is assumed to have a constant magnetic field B inside the solenoid and zero field outside the solenoid
- We will calculate the magnetic field of an ideal solenoid by applying Ampere's Law to a section of the solenoid far from the ends of the solenoid

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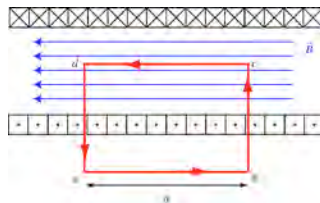
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Ideal Solenoids (2)



- We first define an Amperian Loop over which to carry out the required integral shown by the red line below



$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{s} = \int_a^b \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{s} + \int_b^c \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{s} + \int_c^d \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{s} + \int_d^a \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{s}$$

$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{s} = 0 + 0 + Bh + 0$$

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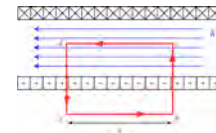
Ideal Solenoids (3)



- The enclosed current is the current in the enclosed turns of the solenoid
- The current is the same in each turn
- Thus the enclosed current is

$$i_{enc} = nli$$
- where n is the number of turns per unit length
- The magnetic field inside an ideal solenoid is

$$B = \mu_0 in$$
- Note that this expression is only valid away from the ends of a real-world solenoid
- Note that there is no dependence on position inside the solenoid
 - An ideal solenoid creates a uniform magnetic field everywhere inside the solenoid and zero magnetic field outside the solenoid



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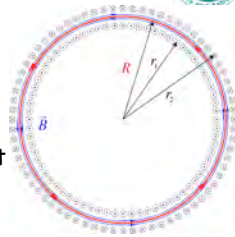
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Toroids



- One can create a toroidal magnet by "bending" a solenoid magnet such that the two ends meet as illustrated here
- The wire is wound around the doughnut shape forming a series of loops, each with the same current flowing through it
- Just like for the ideal solenoid, the magnetic field outside the coils of the ideal toroid is zero
- The magnetic field inside the toroid coil volume can be calculated by using Ampere's Law



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Toroids (2)

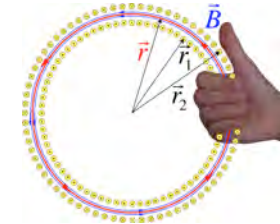


- We assume an Amperian loop in the form of a circle with radius r such that $r_1 < r < r_2$
- The magnetic field is always directed tangential to the Amperian loop, so we can write

$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{s} = 2\pi r B$$
- The enclosed current is the number of turns N in the toroid times the current i in each loop, so Ampere's law gives us

$$2\pi r B = \mu_0 Ni$$
- So we find that the magnetic field of a toroid is given by

$$B = \frac{\mu_0 Ni}{2\pi r}$$
- Note that the magnitude of the electric field depends on r
- The direction is given by the right hand rule



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