

# Sources of magnetic fields

## Chapter 30

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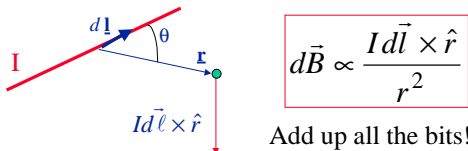
#### Magnetic flux and Gauss's Law for Magnetism

## Sources of Magnetic Fields

- We saw that magnetic fields from permanent magnets exert forces on moving charges.
- It turns out that something reciprocal happens: moving charges give rise to magnetic fields (which can then exert a force on other moving charges).
- We'll start with currents in wires, the easiest case; but it turns out that the magnetism of permanent magnets also comes from moving charges (the electrons in the atoms).

## Biot-Savart Law

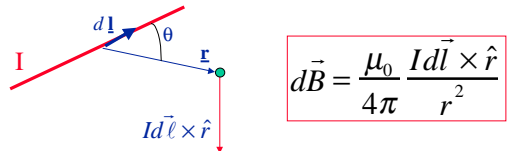
- The mathematical description of the magnetic field  $\mathbf{B}$  due to a current is called the Biot-Savart law. It gives  $\mathbf{B}$  at some position.
- A current  $I$  is moving along a path  $\mathbf{l}$ . We need to add up the bits of magnetic field  $d\mathbf{B}$  arising from each infinitesimal length  $d\mathbf{l}$ .



$$d\vec{B} \propto \frac{I d\vec{l} \times \hat{r}}{r^2}$$

Add up all the bits!

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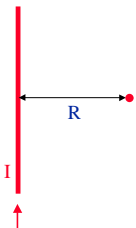
$$d\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{I d\vec{l} \times \hat{r}}{r^2}$$

The constant  $\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ T m/A}$  is called the **permeability of free space**.

It turns out that  $\mu_0$  and  $\epsilon_0$  are strongly related!

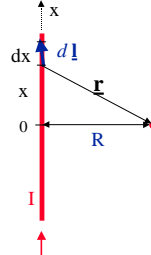
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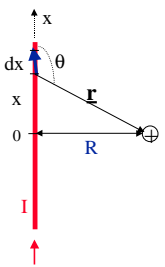
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Break the wire into bits  $d\mathbf{l}$ . To do that, choose coordinates: let the wire be along the  $x$  axis, and consider the little bit  $dx$  at a position  $x$ .

The vector  $\mathbf{r}$  is from this bit to the observation point.

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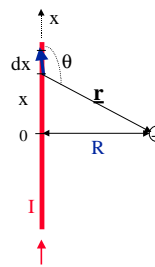
$$dB = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \frac{dx \sin \theta}{r^2}$$

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Finite Wire

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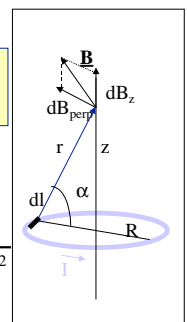
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$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + R^2}, \quad \sin \theta = \frac{R}{r}$$

$$B = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \int_{x=-\infty}^{x=+\infty} \frac{R dx}{(x^2 + R^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi R} \frac{x}{(x^2 + R^2)^{1/2}} \bigg|_{x=-\infty}^{x=+\infty} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi R}$$

### Magnetic field from a circular current loop



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

$$dB = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{Idl}{r^2}$$

Only z component is nonzero over the whole loop.

$$dB_z = dB \cos \alpha = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{Idl \cos \alpha}{r^2}$$

$$r = \sqrt{R^2 + z^2}, \quad \cos \alpha = \frac{R}{\sqrt{R^2 + z^2}}$$

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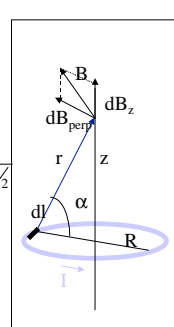
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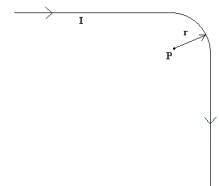
$$B = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{IR}{(R^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} 2\pi R = \frac{\mu_0}{2} \frac{IR^2}{(R^2 + z^2)^{3/2}}$$

In the plane of the loop:  $B = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2R}$

At distance z on axis from the loop,  $z \gg R$ :  $B = \frac{\mu_0 IR^2}{2z^3}$



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Break into pieces of wire and sum up the  $\mathbf{B}$  field from each piece, i.e. superposition.

$\mathbf{B}_I$  is half of an infinite wire  
 $\mathbf{B}_I = (1/2)\mu_0 I / (2\pi r) = \mu_0 I / (4\pi r)$

$\mathbf{B}_{II}$  is a quarter of a loop of wire at the center ( $z=0$ )!  
 $\mathbf{B}_{II} = (1/4)\mu_0 I / (2r) = \mu_0 I / (8r)$

$\mathbf{B}_{III}$  is half of another infinite wire  
 $\mathbf{B}_{III} = (1/2)\mu_0 I / (2\pi r) = \mu_0 I / (4\pi r)$

$\mathbf{B}_I$ ,  $\mathbf{B}_{II}$ , and  $\mathbf{B}_{III}$  are all parallel and into the board!

$\mathbf{B}_{\text{Total}} = \mathbf{B}_I + \mathbf{B}_{II} + \mathbf{B}_{III} = \mu_0 I / (4\pi r) + \mu_0 I / (8r) + \mu_0 I / (4\pi r)$

$\mathbf{B}_{\text{Total}} = \mu_0 I / (2\pi r) + \mu_0 I / (8r) = \mu_0 I / ((2\pi+8)r) = 8.8 \times 10^{-6} \text{ T} = 8.8 \mu\text{T}$

## Magnetic field in terms of dipole moment

In terms of  $\mu$ , the magnetic field on axis (far from the loop) is therefore

$$B = \frac{\mu_0 \mu}{2\pi z^3}$$

This also works for a loop with  $N$  turns. Far from the loop the same expression is true with the dipole moment given by  $\mu = NIA = I\pi R^2$

## Ampere's Law

Ampere's law is to the Biot-Savart law exactly what Gauss's law is to Coulomb's law.

The fundamental law of electrostatics is Coulomb's law: given the sources, sum (or integrate) to get  $\mathbf{E}$ .

From Coulomb's law one can derive Gauss's law

$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = q_{\text{enclosed}} / \epsilon_0$$

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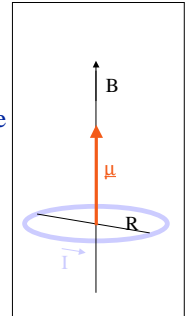
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Far away on the axis,

$$B = \frac{\mu_0 I R^2}{2z^3}$$

The magnetic dipole moment of the loop is defined as  $\mu = IA = I\pi R^2$ .

The direction is given by another right hand rule: with fingers in the direction of the current flow, the thumb points along  $\mu$ .



## Dipole Equations

### Electric Dipole

$$\tau = \mathbf{p} \times \mathbf{E}$$

$$U = -\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{E}$$

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The fundamental law of magnetostatics is the law of Biot-Savart: given the sources, integrate to get  $\mathbf{B}$ .

From this one can derive Ampere's law:

$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \mu_0 I$$

line integral around some closed curve

$I$  is the sum of all the currents passing through the area enclosed by the curve. (Sign given by a right-hand rule)

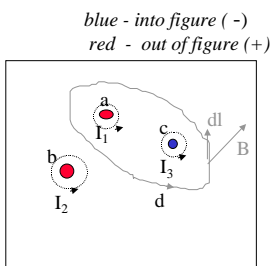
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## Ampere's Law - a line integral

Draw an "Amperian loop" around the sources of current. The line integral of the tangential component of  $\vec{B}$  around this loop is equal to  $\mu_0 I$ :

$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \mu_0 I$$

HINT: TAKE ADVANTAGE OF SYMMETRY!!!!



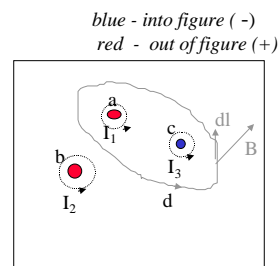
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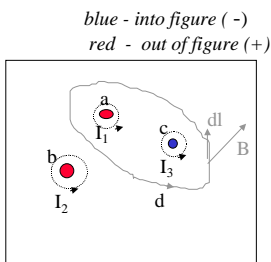
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$$\oint_a \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \mu_0 I_1$$

$$\oint_b \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \mu_0 I_2$$

$$\oint_c \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \mu_0 (-I_3)$$

$$\oint_d \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \mu_0 (I_1 - I_3)$$



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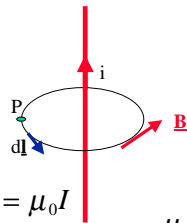
What is magnetic field at point P? Draw Amperian loop through P around current source and integrate  $\vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l}$  around loop

Then  $\vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = B dl$   
Integral is  $B(2\pi r)$

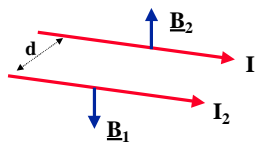
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$$B = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi r}$$

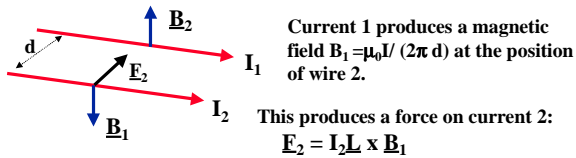


## Force between two current-carrying wires



Current 1 produces a magnetic field  $B_1 = \mu_0 I_1 / (2\pi d)$  at the position of wire 2.

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Here this gives the force on a length L of wire 2 to be:

$$F_2 = I_2 L B_1 = \frac{\mu_0 I_1 I_2 L}{2\pi d}$$

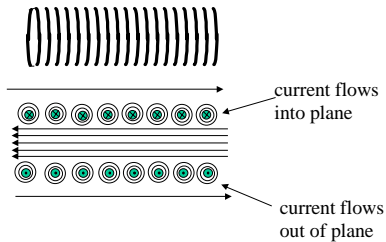
Direction: towards 1, if the currents are in the same direction.

What is the force on wire 1?

What happens if one current is reversed?

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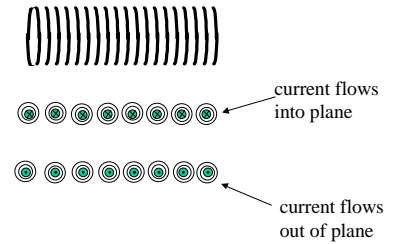
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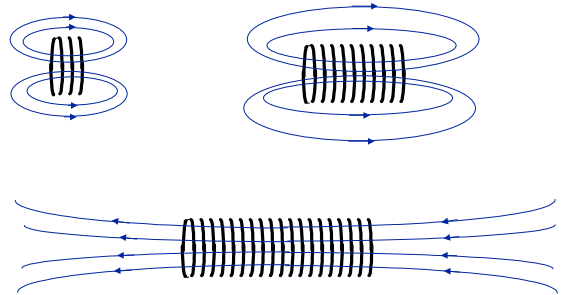
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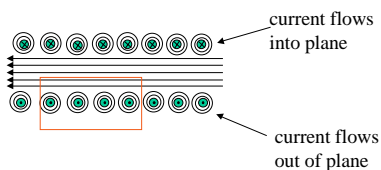
Fields get weaker and weaker outside.

Apply Ampere's Law to the loop shown.

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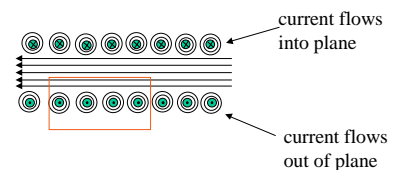


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$$B(L) = \mu_0 (NI) \Rightarrow B = n\mu_0 I$$

## Solenoids and Toroids

- Solenoids  $B = \mu_0 n I$   $n = \# \text{ of turns/m}$   
of length of  
the solenoid

This is valid inside, not too near the ends.

- A toroid is a solenoid bent in a circle. A similar calculation gives  $B = \mu_0 N I / 2\pi r$ , where in this case  $N$  is the total number of turns.

## Present Status

We have now 2 1/2 of Maxwell's 4 fundamental laws of electromagnetism. They are:

*Gauss's law for electric charges*

*Gauss's law for magnetic charges*

*Ampere's law (it is still incomplete as it only applies to steady currents in its present form. Therefore, "half" of a law.)*

## Gauss's Law for Magnetism

For electric charges

Gauss's Law is  $\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = q_{\text{enclosed}} / \epsilon_0$

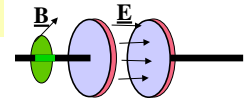
- because there are single electric charges. On the other hand, we have never detected a single magnetic charge, only dipoles. Since there are no magnetic monopoles there is no place for magnetic field lines to begin or end. Thus, Gauss's Law for magnetic charges must be

$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{A} = 0$$

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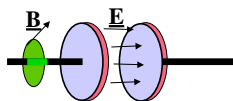
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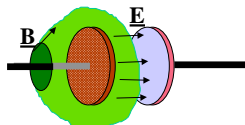
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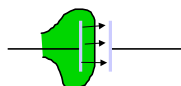


.. if the loop encloses one plate of the capacitor..



Side view:

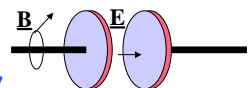
(Surface is now like a bag:)



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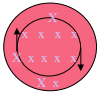
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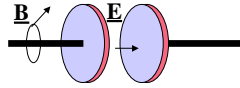
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A changing electric field induces a magnetic field

Therefore Maxwell's revision of Ampere's Law is now....



$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{d\Phi_E}{dt} = \mu_0 I_d$$

where  $I_d$  is called the  
...displacement current

$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \mu_0 I + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{d\Phi_E}{dt}$$

## Derivation of Displacement Current

For a capacitor,  $q = \epsilon_0 EA$  and  $I = \frac{dq}{dt} = \epsilon_0 \frac{d(EA)}{dt}$ .

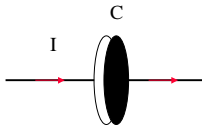
Now, the electric flux is given by  $EA$ , so:  $I = \epsilon_0 \frac{d(\Phi_E)}{dt}$ , where this current, not being associated with charges, is called the "Displacement current",  $I_d$ .

Hence: 
$$I_d = \epsilon_0 \frac{d\Phi_E}{dt}$$

and: 
$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{s} = \mu_0 (I + I_d)$$

$$\Rightarrow \oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{s} = \mu_0 I + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{d\Phi_E}{dt}$$

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$$q = CV = CE d \quad E = \frac{q}{Cd} \quad \frac{d(E)}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{q}{Cd} \right) = \frac{1}{Cd} \frac{dq}{dt} = \frac{I}{Cd}$$

$$I_d = \epsilon_0 A \frac{I}{Cd} \quad \text{for a PP cap. } C = \epsilon_0 \frac{A}{d}$$

$$I_d = \epsilon_0 A \frac{I}{d C} = \epsilon_0 A \frac{I}{d \epsilon_0 A} = I = 0.1 \text{ A}$$