

Chapter 29 - Magnetic Fields Due to Currents

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Q1. A segment of wire is formed into the shape shown in Figure (5) and carries a current I . What is the magnitude of the resulting magnetic field at the point P ? Ans: $3\mu I/8R$.

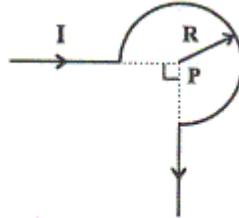


Figure # 5

Q2. Three long wires parallel to the x -axis carry currents as shown in Fig. 6. If $I=20$ A, what is the magnitude of the magnetic field at the origin? Ans: 12 micro T.

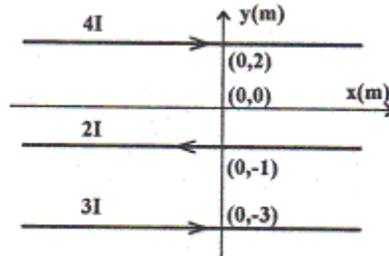


Figure # 6

Q3. What is the magnitude of the magnetic field at point P due to the current carrying wire shown in Figure 7, if $I = 2.0$ A, $a = 20$ cm and $b = 2a$? Ans: 0.8 micro-T

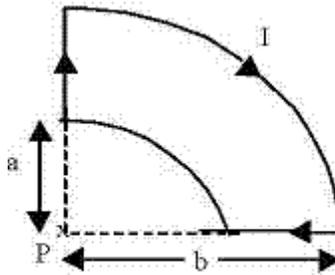


Figure 7

Q4. A segment of wire is formed into the shape shown in Figure 5 and carries a current $I = 1.0$ A. What is the magnitude of the resulting magnetic field at the point P if $R = 10$ cm? Ans: 5.5 micro-T into the page

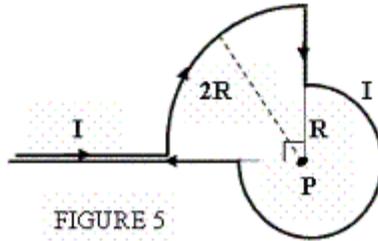


FIGURE 5

Q5. Two long wires parallel to the x-axis carry currents I_1 and I_2 as shown in Figure 6. If $I_1 = 5$ A, what is the magnitude and direction of I_2 if the net magnetic field at the origin is 0.35 micro-T and directed out the page. Ans: 1 A to the left

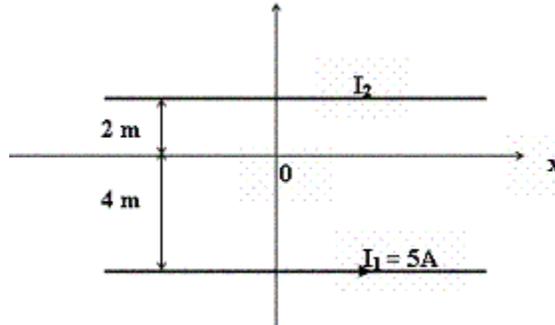


FIGURE 6

Force Between Two Parallel Currents

Q6. Figure 8 shows a cross section of three long parallel wires each carrying a current of 15 A. The currents in the wires A and C are out of the paper, while that in wire B is into the paper. If the distance $a = 5.0$ mm, what is the magnitude of the force per unit length on wire C? Ans: 4.5 milli-N/m

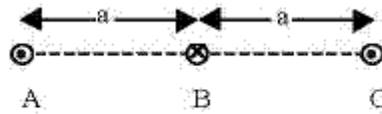


Figure 8

Q7. Two long parallel wires carrying equal currents of 10 A in opposite directions. The force per unit length of one wire on the other is 1 milli-N/m. If both currents are doubled, the force per unit length of one wire on the other will be: Ans: 4 milli-N/m, repulsive

Q8. Suppose that the identical currents I in figure (7) are all out of the page. The magnitude of the force per unit length on the wire at the origin is: [take $I = 10.0$ A, and $a = 1.0 \times 10^{-4}$ m.] Ans: 0.28 N/m.

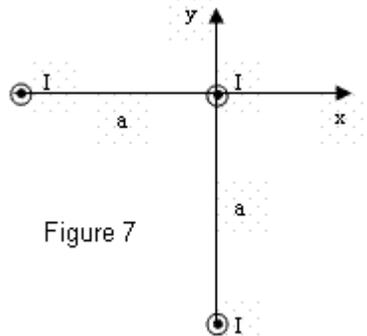


Figure 7

Q9. Three parallel wires lie in the xy -plane. The separation between adjacent wires is 0.1 m, and each wire carries a 10-A current in the same direction. Find the magnitude of the net force per unit length on one of the outer wires. Ans: 3.0×10^{-4} N.

Q10. Two parallel wires, carrying equal currents of 10 A, attract each other with a force F . If both currents are doubled, and the distance between them reduced by 50%, the new force will be: Ans: $8F$.

Ampere's Law

Q11. A long cylindrical wire has a radius $R = 2.0$ cm and carries a current $I = 40$ A that is uniformly distributed through the cross-section of the wire. What is the magnitude of the magnetic field at a point which is 1.5 cm from the axis of the wire? Ans: 3×10^{-4} T

Q12. What must be the radius R of a long current-carrying wire if the magnetic field at $r_1 = 2.0$ cm (inside the wire) is equal to three times the magnetic field at $r_2 = 8.0$ cm (outside the wire). Ans: 2.3 cm

Q13. A long solid cylindrical conductor of radius $R = 4.0$ mm carries a current I parallel to its axis. The current density in the wire is 2×10^4 A/m². Determine the magnitude of the magnetic field at a point that is 5.0 mm from the axis of the conductor. Ans: 40 micro-T

Q14. Consider an infinitely long straight wire carrying a current I . If the magnetic field at $r_1 = 2.5$ mm inside the wire and at $r_2 = 10$ mm outside the wire are equal, then the radius of the wire is: Ans: 5.0 mm.

Q15. A cylindrical conductor of radius $R = 2.50$ cm carries a current of $I = 2.50$ A along its length. This current is uniformly distributed throughout the cross section of the conductor. Calculate the magnitude of the magnetic field at a point that is 1.25 cm from the axis of the conductor. Ans: 10.0 microTesla

Solenoids

Q16. What current in a solenoid 15-cm long wound with 100 turns would produce a magnetic field equal to that of the earth, which is 5.1×10^{-5} T? Ans: 61×10^{-3} A.

Q17. A solenoid is formed by tightly winding a single layer of wire. The wire is 1.0 mm in diameter. What is the magnitude of the magnetic field inside the solenoid when there is a current of 0.081 A in the windings? Ans: 102 micro-T.

Q18. A 500 turns solenoid is 30 cm long, has a radius of 0.5 cm and carries a current of 2.0 A. The magnitude of the magnetic field at the center of the solenoid is: Ans: 4.2×10^{-3} T

Q19. A solenoid is 3.0 m long and has a circumference of 9.4×10^{-2} m. It carries a current of 12.0 A. The magnetic field inside the solenoid is 25.0×10^{-3} T. The length of the wire forming the solenoid is: Ans: 467 m.

Q20. A current of 2.5 A passes in a solenoid of length $L = 50$ cm. It produces a magnetic field of 2.3×10^{-3} T at its center. The number of turns in the solenoid is: Ans: 366.