

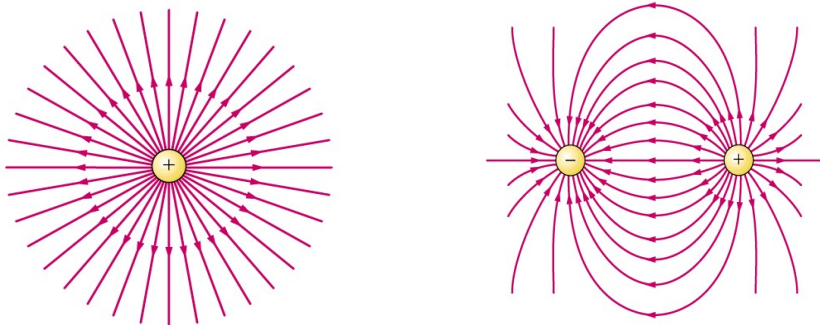
# Magnetic forces and fields



# Sources of magnetic field

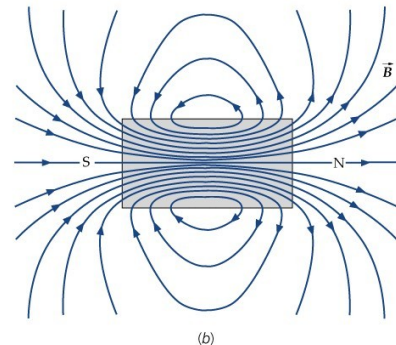
## Electric field E

- Created by electric charges
- Felt by electric charges.
- Force F due to E:  $\mathbf{F}_e = q\mathbf{E}$
- The field lines of E are tangent to F
- The E lines begin on positive charges and end on negative charges (or at infinity).
- E proportional to the density of lines.



## Magnetic field B

- Created by electric charges in motion (point charges, electric currents, magnets)
- Felt by electric charges in motion.
- Force F due to B:  $\mathbf{F}_m = q(\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{B})$
- The field lines of B are perpendicular to F.
- The B lines close upon themselves. In a magnet the B lines go out of the N pole into the S pole
- B proportional to the density of lines.



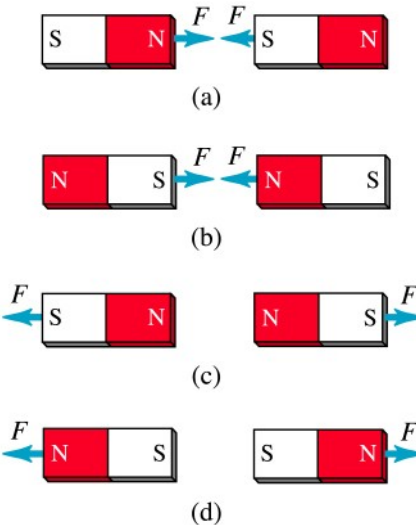
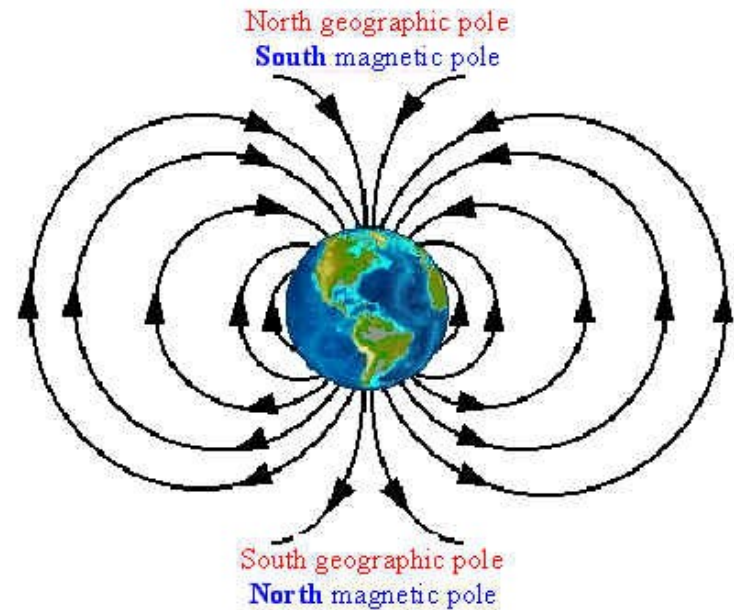
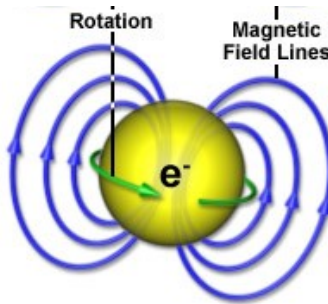
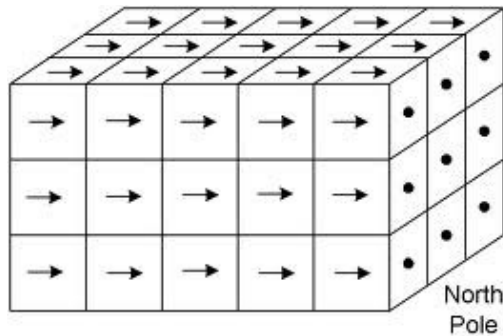
SI UNIT: Tesla (T)

$$1T = 1 \frac{N/C}{m/s} = \frac{Ns}{Cm} = \frac{N}{Am}$$

$$1 T = 10^4 \text{ G (gauss)}$$

# Magnets

Magnets are made from materials (ferromagnetic) in which the orientation of electrons (charges in motion!) can be such that the magnetic field created by them adds up in a constructive way. Examples of these materials are Fe, Co and Ni.



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A lodestone attracting iron filings and nails.

$$B_{\text{Earth's surface}} \sim 0.5 \text{ G}$$

$$B_{\text{fridge magnet}} \sim 10 \text{ G}$$

$$B_{\text{most powerful magnet}} \sim 1.5 \text{ T}$$

More about magnets:

<http://www.magnet.fsu.edu/education/tutorials/magnetacademy/magnets/fullarticle.html>

More about the magnet Earth: <http://hyperphysics.phy-astr.gsu.edu/hbase/magnetic/magearth.html>



# Magnetic force on a point charge

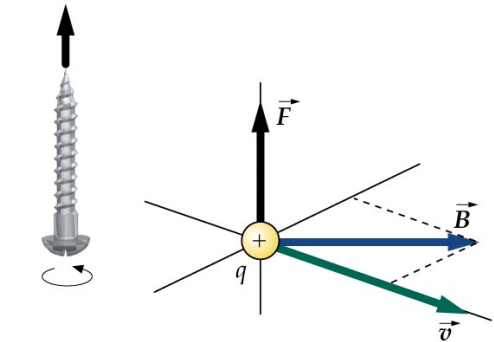
The force on a point charge due to a B is:  $\vec{F}_{mag.} = q\vec{v} \times \vec{B}$

$F_m$  increases as  $q$ ,  $v$  and  $B$  increase. The direction depends on the sign of the charge  $q$ .

$F_m$  IS PERPENDICULAR TO  $B$  and  $v$  (so to the plane formed by  $B$  AND  $v$ ).

$F_m$  is maximum when the charge moves perpendicular to the field lines, and is zero when the charge moves parallel to the field lines.

$B$  does not exert any force over charges that are at rest.



$$|\vec{F}| = qvB \sin \theta$$

$$F_m = 0 \quad \text{if} \quad \begin{cases} \vec{v} = 0 \\ \vec{B} = 0 \\ \vec{v} \parallel \vec{B} \end{cases}$$

$F_m$  is perpendicular to  $v$  so it modifies the trajectory of the particle (which changes the direction of the force!).

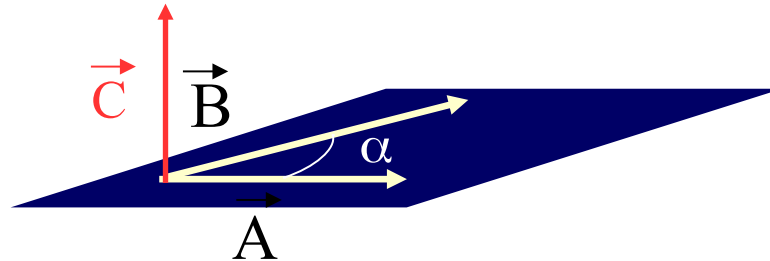
$F_m$  is perpendicular to  $v$  so it does not change the magnitude of  $v$ .

$$F \perp v, F \parallel a \Rightarrow a \perp v$$

$F_m$  is perpendicular to the trajectory so it does no work on the particle ( $\Delta K = 0$ ).

# Vector cross product

$$\vec{C} = \vec{A} \times \vec{B}$$



THIS OPERATION  
RETURNS A  
VECTOR!!

- Its magnitude is given by:  $|\vec{A} \times \vec{B}| = AB \sin \alpha$
- Its direction is:  $\vec{A} \times \vec{B} \begin{cases} \perp \vec{A} \\ \perp \vec{B} \end{cases}$
- Its orientation is described by the right hand rule (cork screw rule).
- It is calculated by solving the determinant:

$$\vec{A} \times \vec{B} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{u}_x & \vec{u}_y & \vec{u}_z \\ A_x & A_y & A_z \\ B_x & B_y & B_z \end{vmatrix} = (A_y B_z - A_z B_y) \vec{u}_x + (A_z B_x - A_x B_z) \vec{u}_y + (A_x B_y - A_y B_x) \vec{u}_z$$

$$\vec{A} \times \vec{B} = 0 \quad \text{if} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \vec{A} = 0 ; \vec{B} = 0 \\ \vec{A} \parallel \vec{B} \end{array} \right\}$$

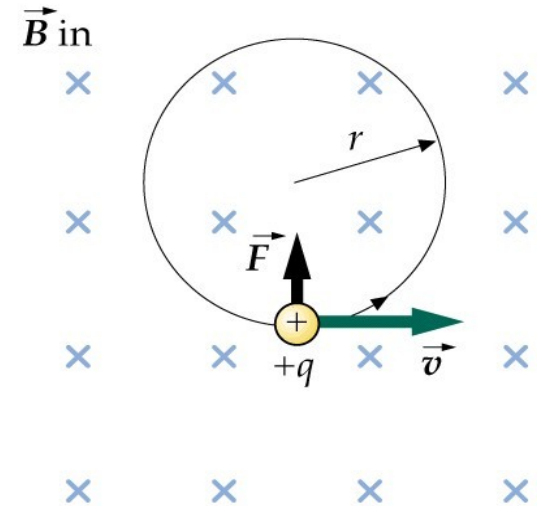
# Charged particles in a magnetic field

Uniform  $B$ ,  $E=0$ ,  $v$  perpendicular to  $B$

## UNIFORM CIRCULAR MOTION

The charged particle moves in a circle whose plane is perpendicular to  $B$ .

$F_m$  acts as a centripetal force.



$$\left. \begin{aligned} \vec{F}_{mag} &= m \vec{a} \\ |\vec{F}|_{mag} &= q|\vec{v}|B \sin(90^\circ) \end{aligned} \right\} a_n = \frac{q|\vec{v}|B}{m}$$

centripetal acceleration:  $a_n = |\vec{a}| = \frac{|\vec{v}|^2}{r}$

$$r = \frac{m|\vec{v}|}{qB} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} r \text{ is proportional to } m \text{ and } v \\ r \text{ is inversely proportional to } q \text{ and } B \end{array} \right.$$

Radius of the circle

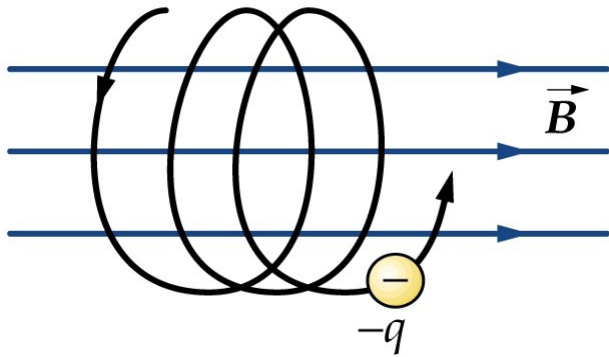
(called cyclotron radius or Larmor radius)

Period of the motion:  $T = \frac{2\pi r}{|\vec{v}|} = \frac{2\pi m}{qB}$

Angular frequency:  $\omega = \frac{v}{r} = \frac{qB}{m}$

# Charged particles in a magnetic field

Uniform  $B$ ,  $E=0$ ,  $v$  NOT perpendicular to  $B$



$v$  can be seen as having two components: parallel to  $B$  and perpendicular to  $B$ . The parallel component does not contribute to the magnetic force.

The motion due to  $v_{\perp}$  is a uniform circular motion.  
The motion due to  $v_{\parallel}$  is a uniform linear motion.  
The result is a helix with its axis parallel to  $B$ .

BEWARE!! The expressions for  $a$ ,  $R$ ,  $T$ , etc, may NOT be the same as before, as only  $v_{\perp}$  contributes to the circular motion.

# Charged particles in a magnetic field

Uniform B and E; v, B and E perpendicular to each other

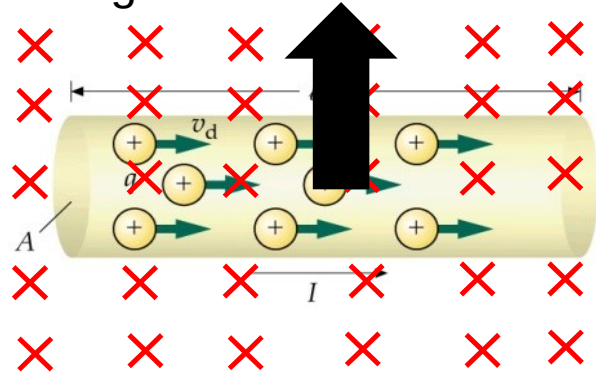
$$\vec{F} = \vec{F}_{el.} + \vec{F}_{mag.} = q\vec{E} + q\vec{v} \times \vec{B} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \begin{array}{l} \vec{F}_{el.} \parallel \vec{E} \\ \vec{F}_{mag.} \perp \vec{B} \end{array}$$

Lorentz force



# Magnetic force on electric currents

An electric current is made of moving charges. If a current-carrying wire is in a region in which there is a uniform  $B$ , there will be a force on the wire.



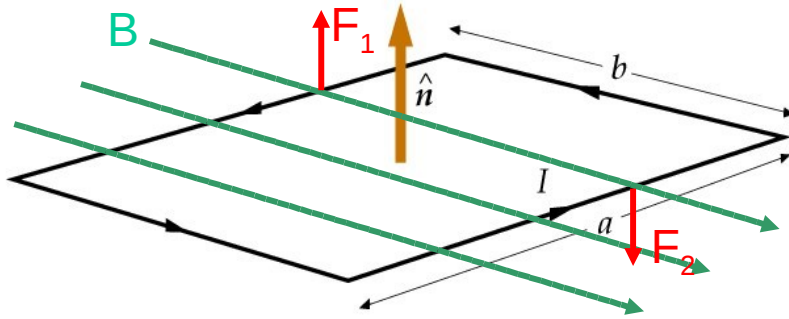
The magnetic force acting on a straight segment of wire carrying a current  $I$  is:

$$\vec{F} = (q \vec{v} \times \vec{B}) \textcircled{N} = (q \vec{v} \times \vec{B}) nAl = I \vec{l} \times \vec{B}$$

Total number of charges on that segment

# Magnetic force on electric currents

## TORQUE ON A CURRENT LOOP IN A UNIFORM MAGNETIC FIELD



The force acting on each straight segment is:

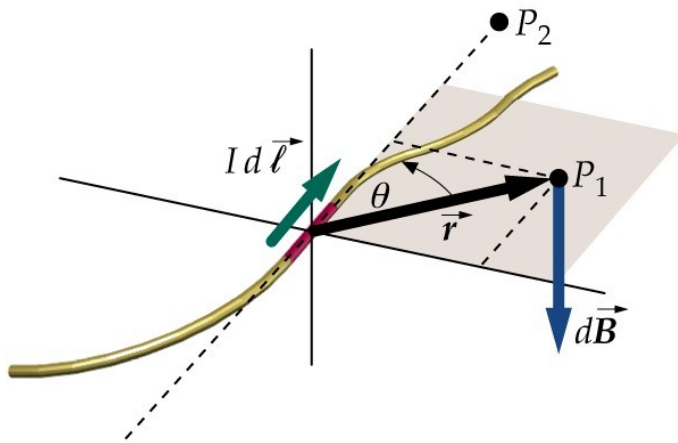
$$\vec{F} = I \vec{l} \times \vec{B}$$

- $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are equal and act on opposite directions  $\rightarrow$  force couple
- Net force acting on the loop:  $\mathbf{F}_{\text{net}} = \mathbf{F}_1 + \mathbf{F}_2 = \mathbf{0}$

*However, the loop rotates until it is perpendicular to  $B$  (independently on the loop shape)*

# Magnetic field created by an electric current

## MAGNETIC FIELD CREATED BY AN ELECTRIC CURRENT



$$\vec{B} = \int d\vec{B} = \int_L \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{I d\vec{\ell} \times \vec{r}}{r^3}$$

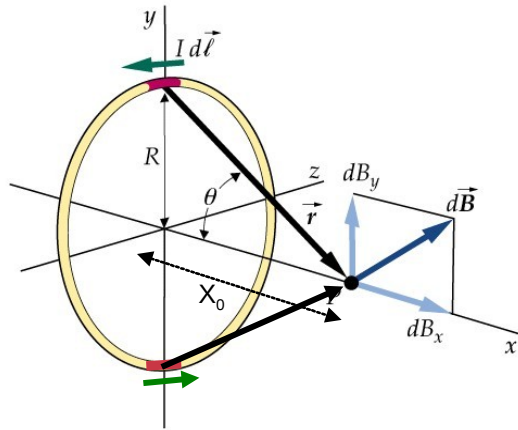
*Biot-Savart's Law*

$\mu_0$ : permeability of free space

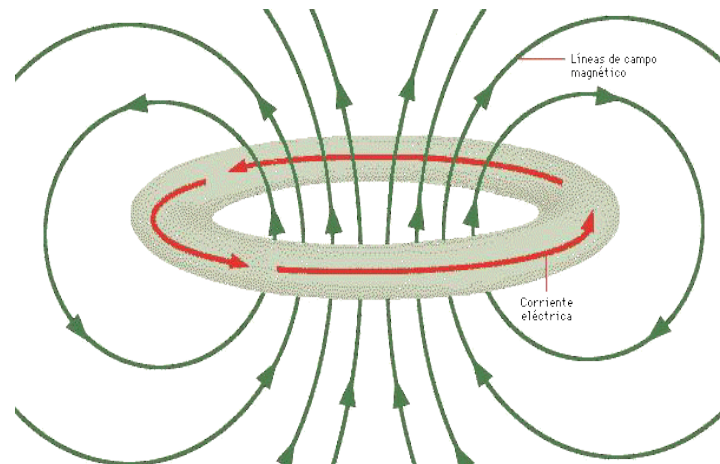
$$\mu_0 = 4\pi \cdot 10^{-7} T \cdot m / A$$

# Magnetic field created by an electric current

B created by a current loop of radius R at a point of its axis:

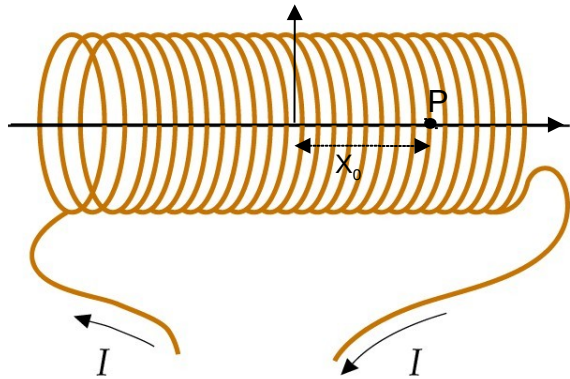


$$\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I R^2}{2 (x_0^2 + R^2)^{3/2}} \vec{i}$$



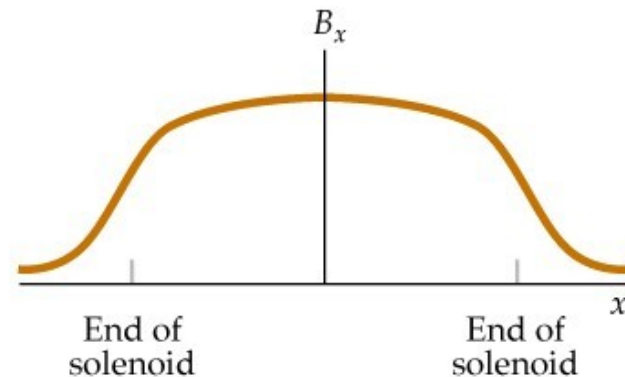
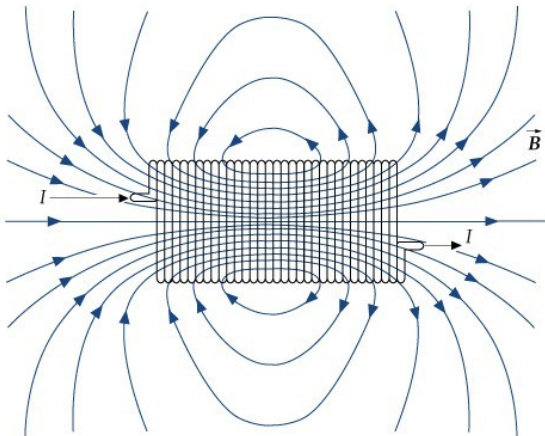
# Magnetic field created by an electric current

B inside a solenoid of length L, at a point of its axis



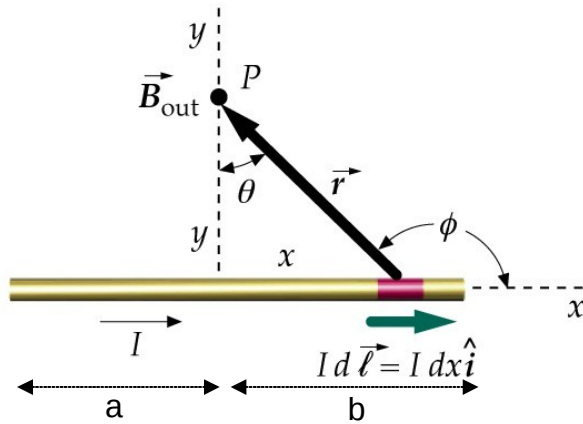
$$\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I n}{2} \left[ \frac{(L/2 - x_0)}{((L/2 - x_0)^2 + R^2)^{1/2}} + \frac{(L/2 + x_0)}{((L/2 + x_0)^2 + R^2)^{1/2}} \right] \vec{i}$$

When the solenoid is very long,  $L \gg R \rightarrow \vec{B} = \mu_0 n I \vec{i} (T)$  (far from the edges)



# Magnetic field created by an electric current

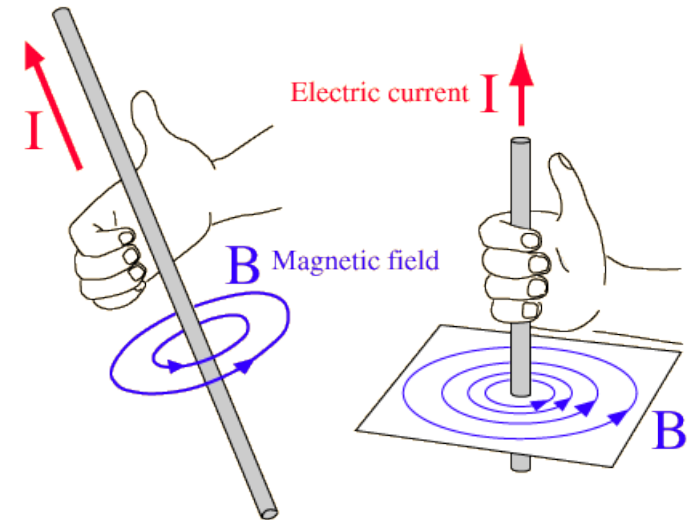
B due to a straight wire carrying a current along the X axis on any point of the XY plane:



$$\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi y_0} \left[ \frac{a}{(a^2 + y_0^2)^{1/2}} + \frac{b}{(b^2 + y_0^2)^{1/2}} \right] \vec{k}$$

When the wire is very long,  $a, b \gg y_0$

$$|\vec{B}| = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi y_0}$$



There is another way of calculating B for some of these distributions:  
Ampère's Law



# Ampere's law

When a current-carrying conductor has a high symmetry, we can calculate the magnetic field created by that current using Ampère's Law:

The line integral of  $B$  along any closed path ( $C$ ) is proportional to the current passing through the surface enclosed by  $C$ :

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

**METHOD:**

- a) Define  $C$
- b) Calculate:  $\oint_C \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l}$
- c) Calculate  $I_c$
- d) Apply Ampère's Law
- e) Isolate  $|B|$

Ampère's Law applies to currents which are steady and continuous in space.

**BEWARE!! DO NOT CONFUSE WITH GAUSS' LAW**

The flux of the magnetic field through any closed surface is zero, as the  $B$  lines always close upon themselves:

$$\Phi_m = \oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{S} = 0$$

# Ampere's law

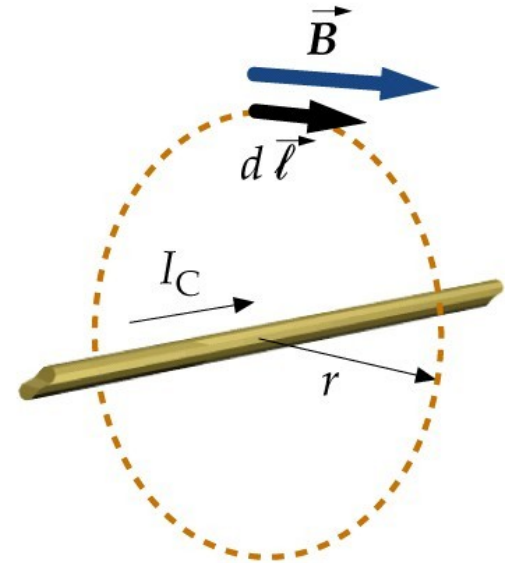
## MAGNETIC FIELD DUE TO AN INFINITE CURRENT-CARRYING 1-D WIRE

$$\oint_C \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \oint_C |\vec{B}| |d\vec{l}| \cos \alpha = \oint_C |\vec{B}| |d\vec{l}| = |\vec{B}| \oint_C |d\vec{l}| = |\vec{B}| 2\pi r$$

$$I_{\text{through the surface enclosed by C}} = I_C$$

$$B 2\pi r = \mu_0 I_C \quad \vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I_C}{2\pi r} \hat{u}_\theta$$

*B is NOT radial, it is tangential. We use a unit vector representing the tangential (angular) direction.*



# Ampere's law

## MAGNETIC FIELD DUE TO AN INFINITE SOLID WIRE OF RADIUS R CARRYING A UNIFORM CURRENT I

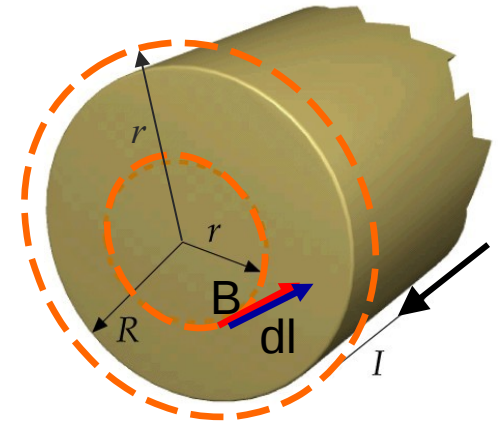
$$\oint_C \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \mu_0 I_C$$

A) B inside

$|B|$  const along  $L$

$$\oint_C \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \oint_C |\vec{B}| |d\vec{l}| \cos \alpha = \oint_C |\vec{B}| |d\vec{l}| = |\vec{B}| \oint_C |d\vec{l}| = |\vec{B}| 2\pi r$$

$B \parallel dl$



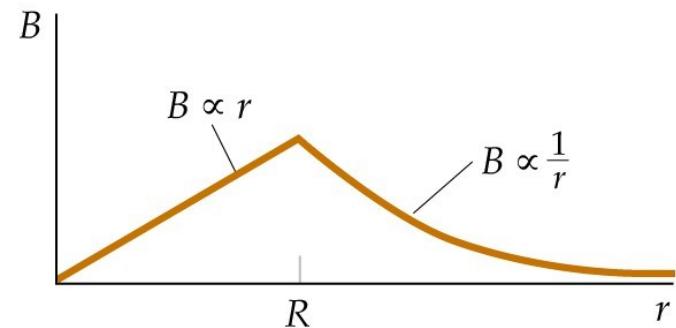
$$I_C = \frac{I}{\pi R^2} \pi r^2 = \frac{I}{R^2} r^2$$

$$\vec{B}_{ins} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi R^2} r \hat{u}_\theta \text{ (T)}$$

B) B outside

Total current intensity going through the solid wire

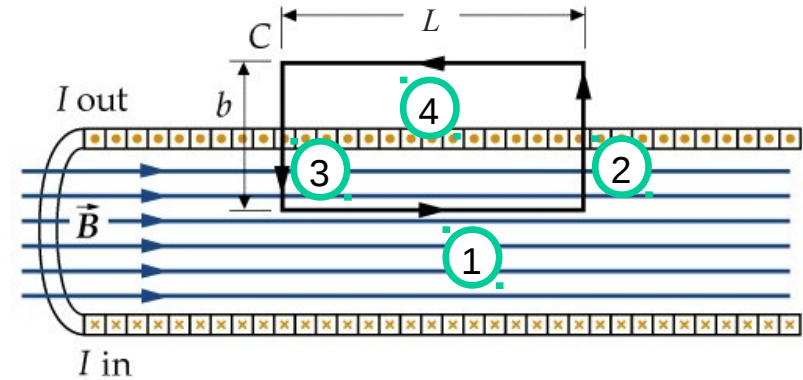
$$\vec{B}_{out} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi r} \hat{u}_\theta \text{ (T)}$$



# Ampere's law

## MAGNETIC FIELD DUE TO AN INFINITE CURRENT-CARRYING SOLENOID

- B inside the solenoid is constant and parallel to its axis.
- B outside the solenoid is zero.



$$\oint_C \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \int_1 \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} + \dots + \int_4 \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad B \parallel dl \quad \oint_{C1} |\vec{B}| |d\vec{l}| = |\vec{B}| \oint_{C1} |d\vec{l}| = |\vec{B}| L$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \textcircled{2} \\ \textcircled{3} \end{array} \right\} B \perp dl \quad \oint_{C2,3} \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = 0$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad B = 0 \quad \oint_{C4} |\vec{B}| |d\vec{l}| = 0$$

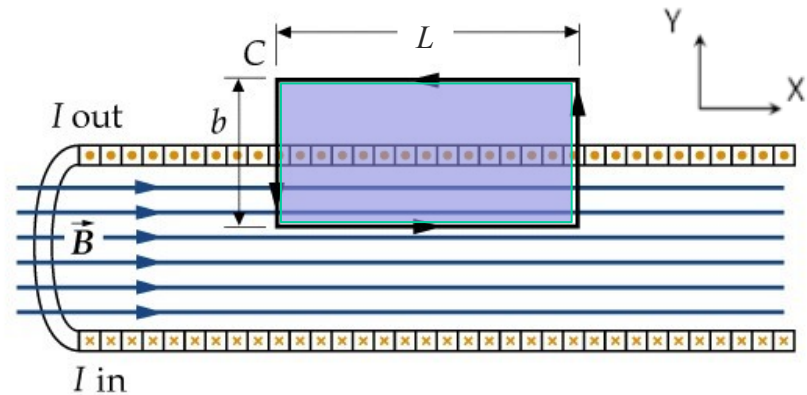
$$\oint_C \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = BL$$

# Ampere's law

N: number of turns going through the surface defined by C

n: number of turns per unit length

$$\mu_0 I_C = \mu_0 NI = \mu_0 nLI$$



$$\vec{B}_{ins} = \mu_0 nI \vec{i}$$

# Ampere's law

## MAGNETIC FIELD DUE TO A CURRENT-CARRYING TOROID

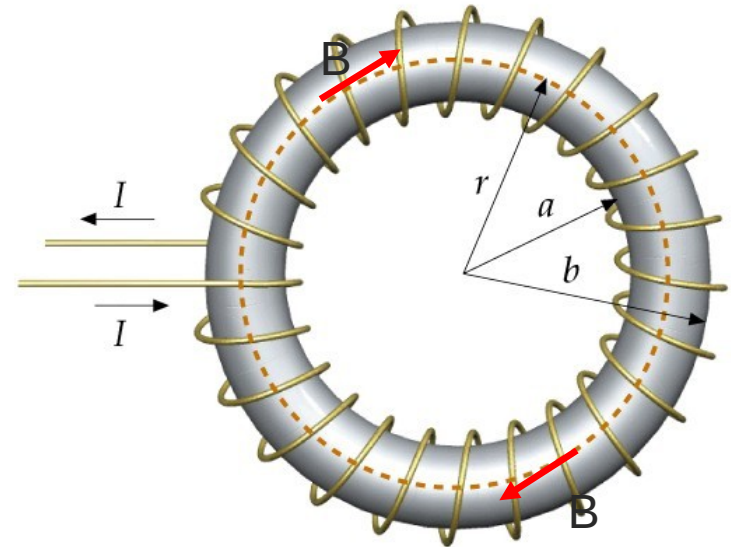
- B inside the toroid is tangent to its axis.
- B is  $\sim$  const. If  $(b-a) \ll r$ .
- B outside the toroid is zero.

$$\oint_C \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \mu_0 I_C$$

$$\vec{B} \parallel d\vec{l}$$

$$\oint_C |\vec{B}| |d\vec{l}| = |\vec{B}| \oint_C |d\vec{l}| = |\vec{B}| 2\pi r$$

$$\mu_0 I_C = \mu_0 NI$$

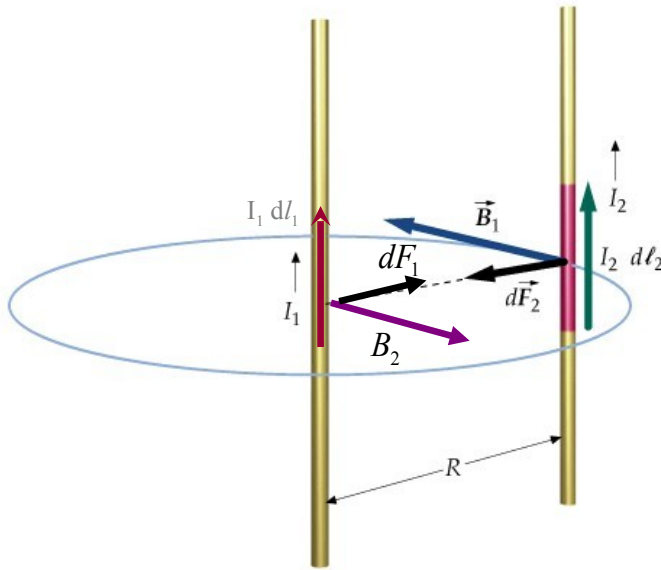


$$|\vec{B}| 2\pi r = \mu_0 NI \Rightarrow |\vec{B}| = \frac{\mu_0 NI}{2\pi r}$$



# Ampere's law

## MAGNETIC FORCE BETWEEN VERY LONG PARALLEL WIRES



$I_1$  creates  $B_1$   
around it:

$$B_1 = \frac{\mu_0 I_1}{2\pi r}$$

At  $I_2$ , that is at a distance  $R$  from  $I_1$ :

$$B_1 = \frac{\mu_0 I_1}{2\pi R}$$

Current  $I_2$  experiences a force  $F_{12}$  due to  $B_1$

$$\vec{F}_{12} = I_2 \vec{l} \times \vec{B}_1 \Rightarrow |\vec{F}_{12}| = I_2 l B_1 = I_2 l \frac{\mu_0 I_1}{2\pi R}$$

$I_2$  creates  $B_2$  around it  $B_2 = \frac{\mu_0 I_2}{2\pi R}$   $I_1$  experiences  $F_{21}$  due to  $B_2$   $|\vec{F}_{21}| = I_1 l \frac{\mu_0 I_2}{2\pi R}$

$$|\vec{F}_{21}| = |\vec{F}_{12}| = \frac{\mu_0 I_1 I_2}{2\pi R} l$$

The magnitude of these forces is equal

Currents circulating along the same direction attract each other

Currents circulating along opposite directions repel each other