

2008 AP® PHYSICS C: ELECTRICITY AND MAGNETISM FREE-RESPONSE QUESTIONS

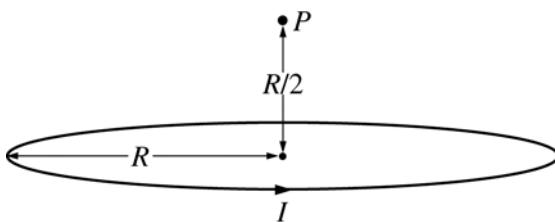


Figure 1

E&M. 3.

The circular loop of wire in Figure 1 above has a radius of R and carries a current I . Point P is a distance of $R/2$ above the center of the loop. Express algebraic answers to parts (a) and (b) in terms of R , I , and fundamental constants.

(a)

- State the direction of the magnetic field B_1 at point P due to the current in the loop.
- Calculate the magnitude of the magnetic field B_1 at point P .

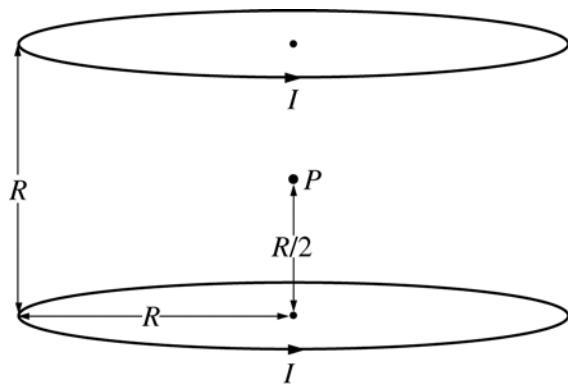


Figure 2

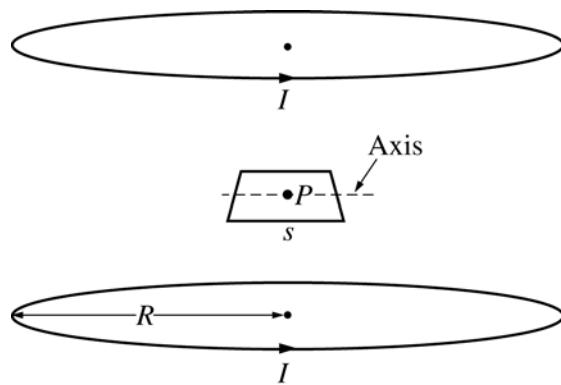


Figure 3

A second identical loop also carrying a current I is added at a distance of R above the first loop, as shown in Figure 2 above.

(b) Determine the magnitude of the net magnetic field B_{net} at point P .

A small square loop of wire in which each side has a length s is now placed at point P with its plane parallel to the plane of each loop, as shown in Figure 3 above. For parts (c) and (d), assume that the magnetic field between the two circular loops is uniform in the region of the square loop and has magnitude B_{net} .

(c) In terms of B_{net} and s , determine the magnetic flux through the square loop.

(d) The square loop is now rotated about an axis in its plane at an angular speed ω . In terms of B_{net} , s , and ω , calculate the induced emf in the loop as a function of time t , assuming that the loop is horizontal at $t = 0$.

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Question 3 (continued)

**Distribution
of points**

(b) 2 points

For recognizing that B_{net} is the vector sum of the field generated by the first loop and the field generated by the second loop 1 point

For recognizing that the B field from top loop is in the same direction and has the same magnitude as that from the bottom loop 1 point

$$B_{net} = 2B_1 = \frac{8}{5\sqrt{5}} \frac{\mu_0 I}{R}$$

(c) 2 points

For identifying B as B_{net} in a correct expression for magnetic flux 1 point

$$\phi = \int \mathbf{B} \cdot d\mathbf{A} = \int B_{net} dA = B_{net} A$$

For correctly substituting the area as s^2 1 point

$$\phi = B_{net} s^2$$

(d) 4 points

For using Faraday's law with ϕ identified as magnetic flux 1 point

$$\mathcal{E} = -\frac{d\phi}{dt} \text{ with some work showing understanding of } \phi$$

For recognizing that there is an angular dependence 1 point

$$\phi = B_{net} s^2 \cos \theta$$

For correctly relating the angle to the angular velocity 1 point

$$\phi = B_{net} s^2 \cos \omega t$$

For the correct final expression 1 point

$$\mathcal{E} = -B_{net} \frac{d}{dt} (s^2 \cos \omega t) = B_{net} s^2 \omega \sin \omega t$$