

- 7 Two long straight parallel copper wires A and B are clamped vertically. The wires pass through holes in a horizontal sheet of card PQRS, as shown in Fig. 7.1.

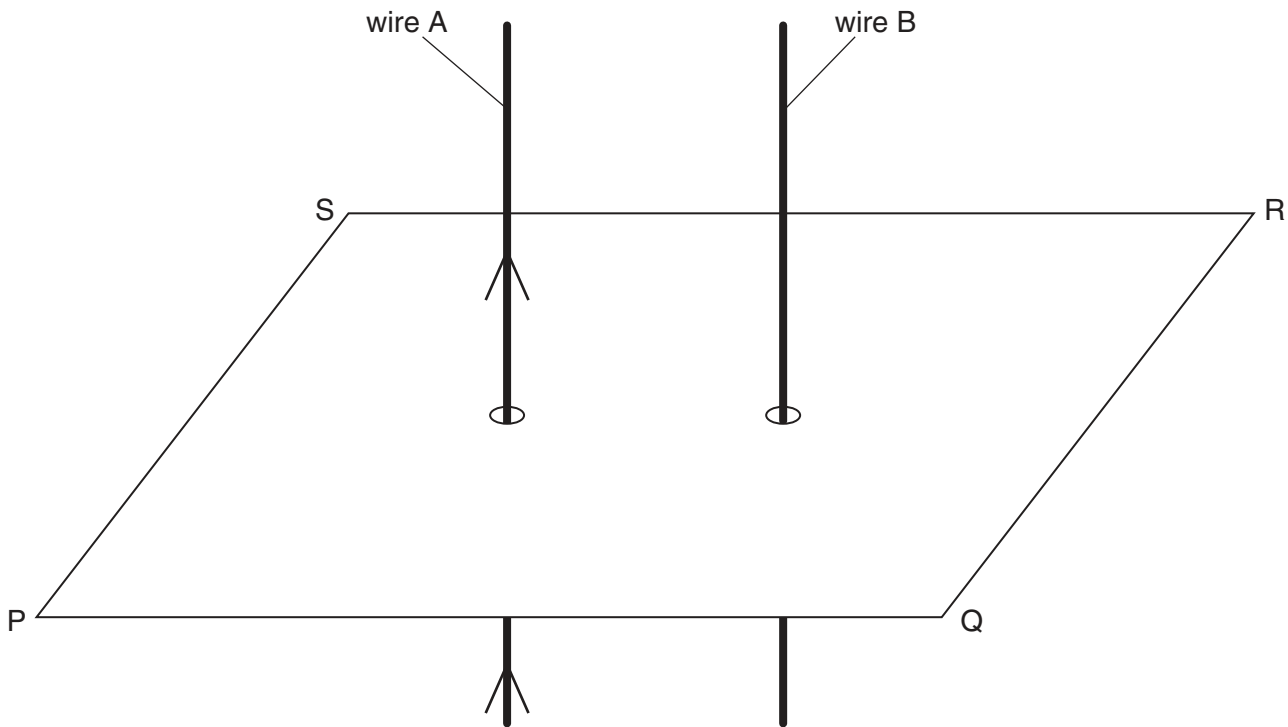


Fig. 7.1

- (a) There is a current in wire A in the direction shown on Fig. 7.1.
On Fig. 7.1, draw four field lines in the plane PQRS to represent the magnetic field due to the current in wire A. [3]

- (b) A direct current is now passed through wire B in the same direction as that in wire A.
The current in wire B is larger than the current in wire A.

- (i) On Fig. 7.1, draw an arrow in the plane PQRS to show the direction of the force on wire B due to the magnetic field produced by the current in wire A. [1]
- (ii) Wire A also experiences a force. State and explain which wire, if any, will experience the larger force.

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- (c) The direct currents in wires A and B are now replaced by sinusoidal alternating currents of equal peak values. The currents are in phase.
Describe the variation, if any, of the force experienced by wire B.

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