

- 5 (a) Define magnetic flux density

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- (b) A β -particle is travelling with momentum p in a vacuum. It enters a region of uniform magnetic field of flux density B as shown in Fig. 5.1. It moves along the arc of a circle r .

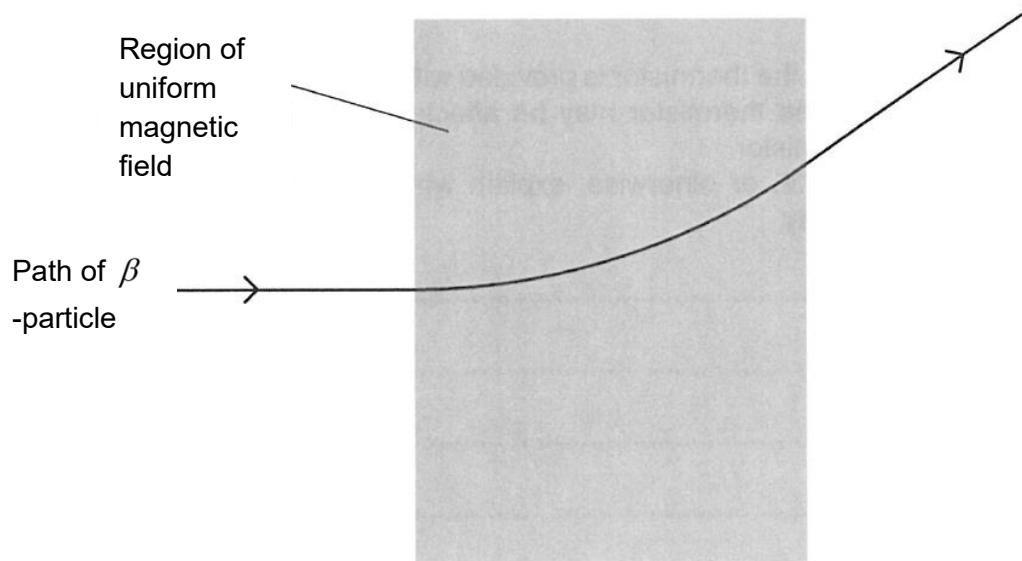


Fig. 5.1

- (i) State the direction of the magnetic field

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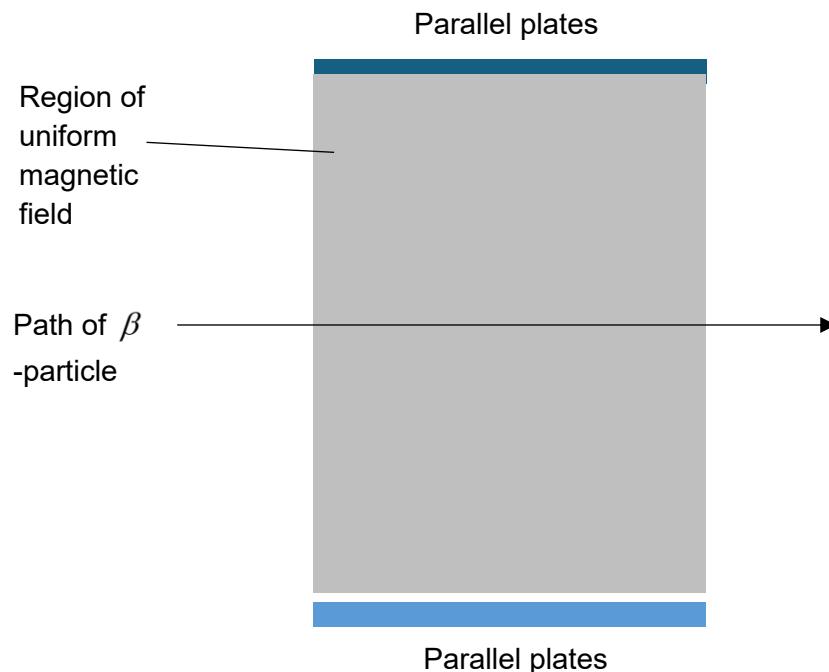
- (ii) 1. Show that the momentum p of the β -particle is given by
$$p = Ber,$$
 where e is the elementary charge.

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2. Hence calculate the momentum p of the β -particle if the magnetic flux density B is 0.24 T and the radius of the circular path is 6.2 cm.

$$p = \dots \text{ N s} \quad [2]$$

- (c) A uniform electric field strength, E is then applied across the parallel plate so that the β -particle can pass through the region undeflected.



1. Indicate on Fig. 5.2, the polarity of the respective plates with a “+” or “-”.
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2. State and explain the change, if any, to the path of the β -particle if there is an increase in its momentum.

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