

- 5 (a) A solenoid of length 0.35 m and 400 turns is placed in a vacuum and a current of 2.3 A is passed through it.

Show that the magnetic flux density inside the coil is 3.3 mT.

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- (b) A proton enters the solenoid in (a) at a speed of 4200 m s^{-1} , at an angle of 57° , as shown in Fig 5.1. The proton moves in a helical path of constant radius inside the solenoid. It exits the other side of the solenoid.

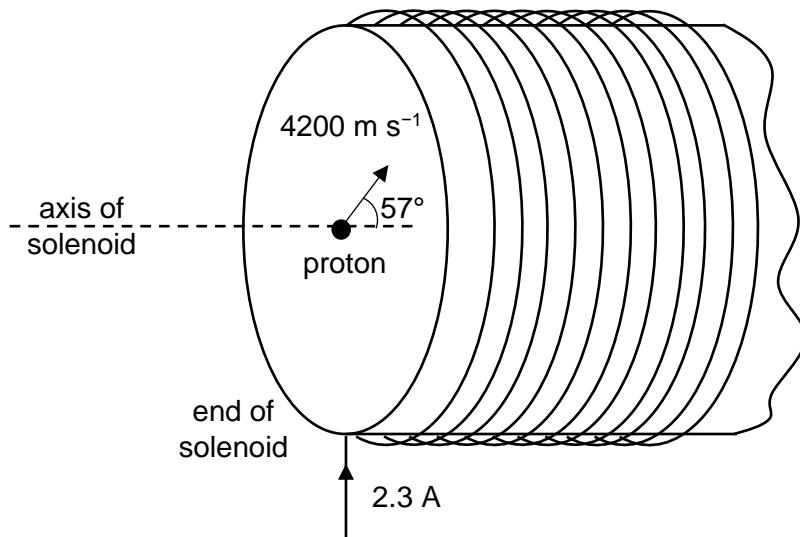


Fig. 5.1

- (i) Explain why the proton will move in a helical path inside the solenoid.

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- (ii) Show that the period of the helix is 20 μs .

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- (iii) Calculate the time taken for the proton to exit the solenoid.

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- (iv) Hence, calculate the number of complete cycles of the helix.

number of complete cycles = [1]

- (v) When the proton exits the solenoid, it moves in a spiral with increasing radius. Explain why this occurs.

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