

EE334 - Magnetic Forces and Torques:

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Magnetostatics:

Electrostatic equations: $\nabla \cdot \vec{D} = \rho_v$ analogous to magnetostatic: $\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0$
 $\nabla \times \vec{E} = 0$ $\nabla \times \vec{H} = \vec{J}$

Charge density (ρ_v) creates E-field

Current Density (J) creates H-field

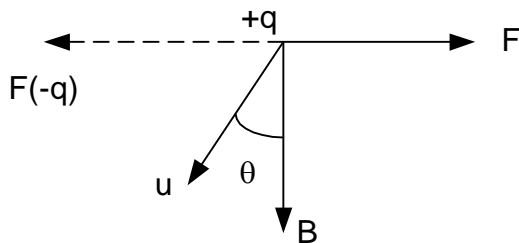
Magnetic flux density relates the permeability and magnetic field intensity

$$\vec{B} = \mu \vec{H}$$

Experimental data showed that a moving charge in a magnetic field created a magnetic force on the moving charge given by the relationship:

$$\vec{F}_m = q\vec{u} \times \vec{B} \quad (N) \quad B \text{ is the magnetic flux density (tesla T) } T = N/(C \cdot m/s)$$

The magnitude is then: $|\vec{F}_m| = quB \sin \theta$ where θ is the angle between B and u



this is for a positive charge if the charge is negative it is in the opposite direction

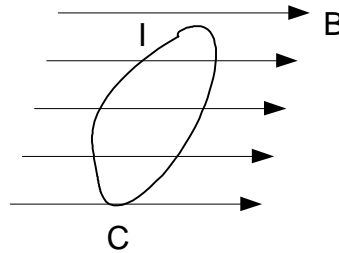
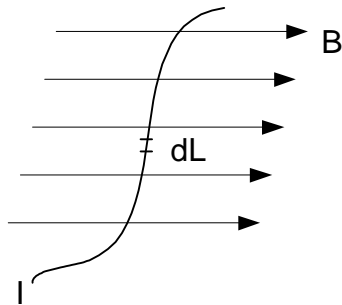
The total force on a charged particle is then the vector sum of the electrical component and the magnetic component.

$$\vec{F}_T = \vec{F}_E + \vec{F}_M = q\vec{E} + q\vec{u} \times \vec{B} = q(\vec{E} + \vec{u} \times \vec{B}) \text{ This is the Lorentz Force Equation}$$

- 1 The electric force is in the direction of the electric field, and the magnetic force is perpendicular to the magnetic field and velocity
- 2 The magnetic force acts only on moving charges (currents), while the electric field acts on any charge whether moving or not.
- 3 Magnetic field does no work, no change in KE only direction no acceleration. $dW = \vec{F}_m \cdot d\vec{L} = (\vec{F}_m \cdot \vec{u})dt = 0$

Can write moving charges in terms of current along a path (in a wire)

$$d\vec{F}_m = I d\vec{L} \times \vec{B}$$



if we have a constant current loop, the total force on the loop then becomes:

$$\vec{F}_m = I \oint_C d\vec{L} \times \vec{B}$$

if the magnetic field is uniform then it can come out of the integral and

$$\vec{F}_m = I \left(\oint_C d\vec{L} \right) \times \vec{B} = 0$$

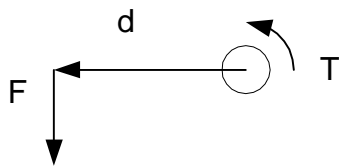
The net force on a closed loop in a constant magnetic field is zero

so how do magnetic motors work if no net force?

Create torque

What is torque?

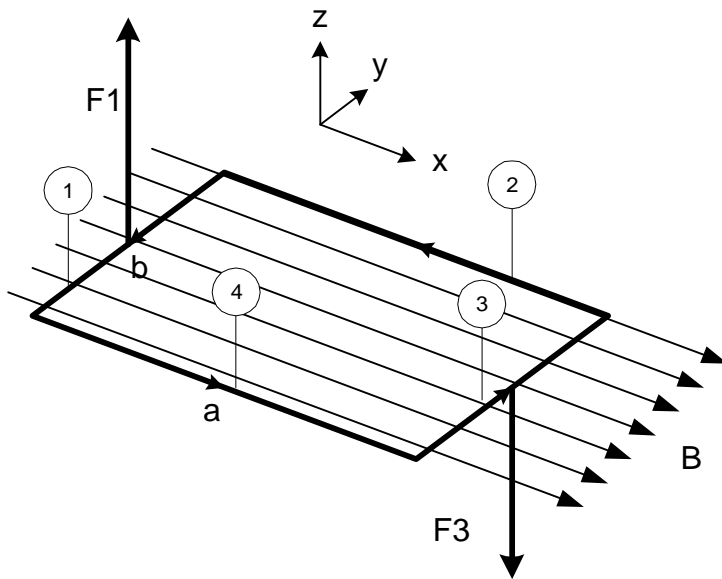
Force on a moment arm



Can write this in vector notation: $\vec{T} = \vec{d} \times \vec{F}$

$\vec{T} = dF \sin \theta \hat{z}$ governed by right hand rule, thumb points in direction of torque when fingers point in direction of revolution.

Lets look at a current loop in a magnetic field:



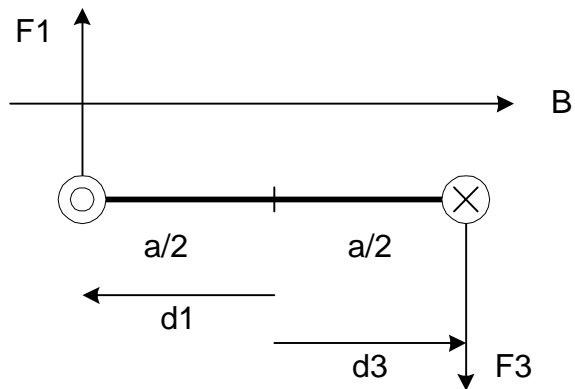
There is no force on leg 2 and leg 4, since the current is parallel to the magnetic field

The forces on the other two legs are:

$$\vec{F}_1 = I(-b\hat{y}) \times (B\hat{x}) = IbB\hat{z}$$

$$\vec{F}_3 = I(b\hat{y}) \times (B\hat{x}) = -IbB\hat{z}$$

Look at a side view:

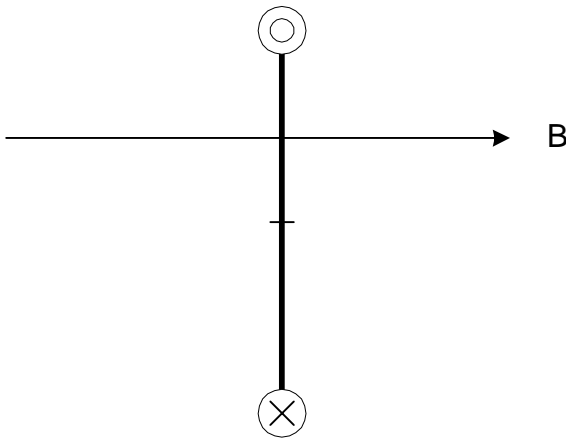


The total torque then is:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{T}_r &= \vec{T}_1 + \vec{T}_3 = \vec{d}_1 \times \vec{F}_1 + \vec{d}_3 \times \vec{F}_3 \\ &= \left(-\frac{a}{2} \hat{x}\right) \times (IbB\hat{z}) + \left(\frac{a}{2} \hat{x}\right) \times (-IbB\hat{z}) = IabB\hat{y} \\ &= IAB\hat{y}\end{aligned}$$

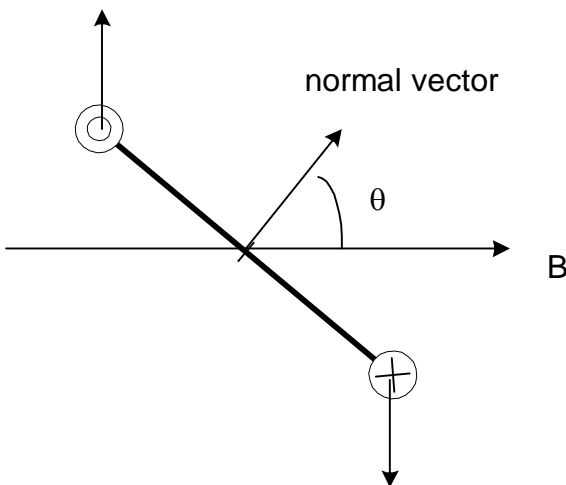
where A is the area of the loop.

What is the torque if the loop is rotated to this? **Zero**



The torque is zero when the B-Field is perpendicular to the plane of the loop.

How does the torque vary as a function of angle?



$$|\vec{T}| = IAB \sin \theta$$

This is for a single loop, if we had a coil with N loops then the torque on the loop would be:

$$T = NIAB \sin \theta$$

if we define the magnetic moment of a current carrying wire as

$$m \equiv NIA$$

and the direction normal to the plane of the wire,

$$\vec{m} = NIA \hat{n}$$

then the torque looks like a cross product between the magnetic moment and the B-field.

$$\vec{T} = \vec{m} \times \vec{B}$$