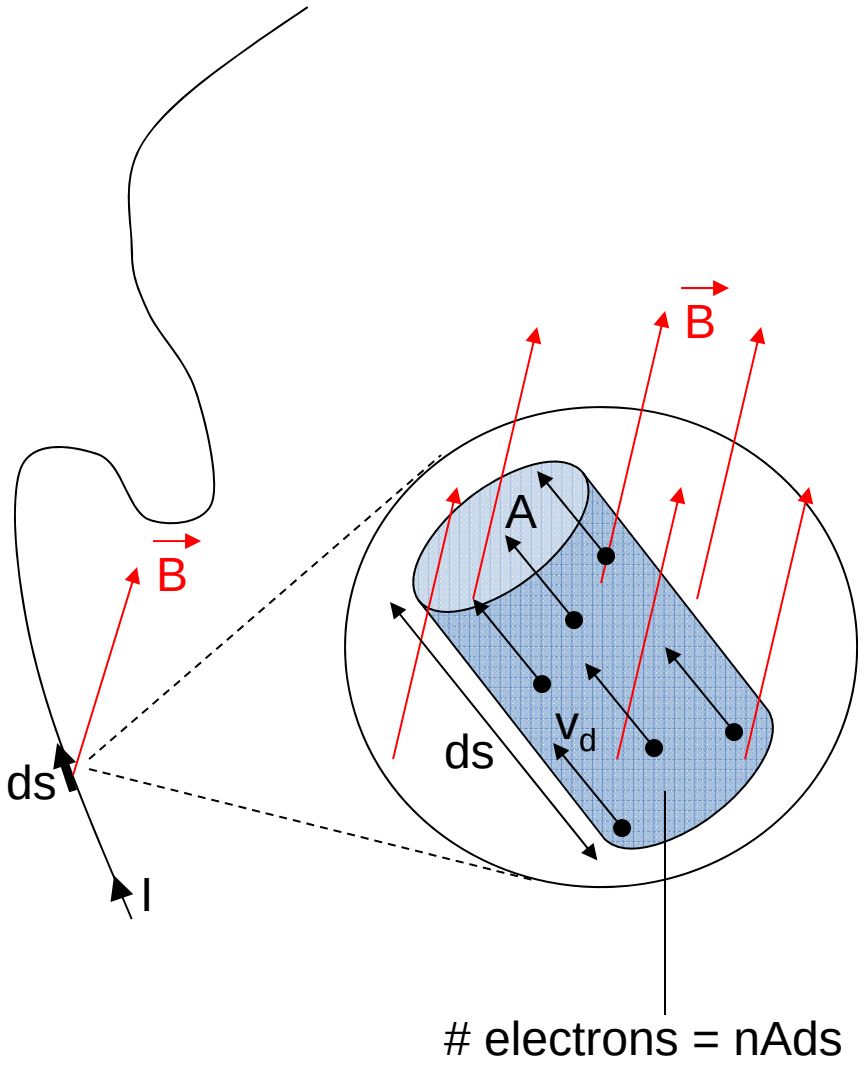
Test 3 Next Wednesday (Nov 1)

1. Chapters 9, 10 and possibly 11.
2. 45 minutes sharp.
3. 4 multiple choices and 2 long problems.
4. Formula sheet provided.
5. Contact me before next Monday for prearrangement if you need special accommodation.

Magnetic force on a current

Magnetic Force Acting on a Current



Force acting on one electron (note that in a current electron is considered as positive in charge):

$$\vec{F}_B = q\vec{v} \times \vec{B} = e\,\vec{v}_d \times \vec{B}$$

Force acting on the infinitesimal element:

$$d\vec{F}_B = (e\,\vec{v}_d \times \vec{B})\,(nAds)$$

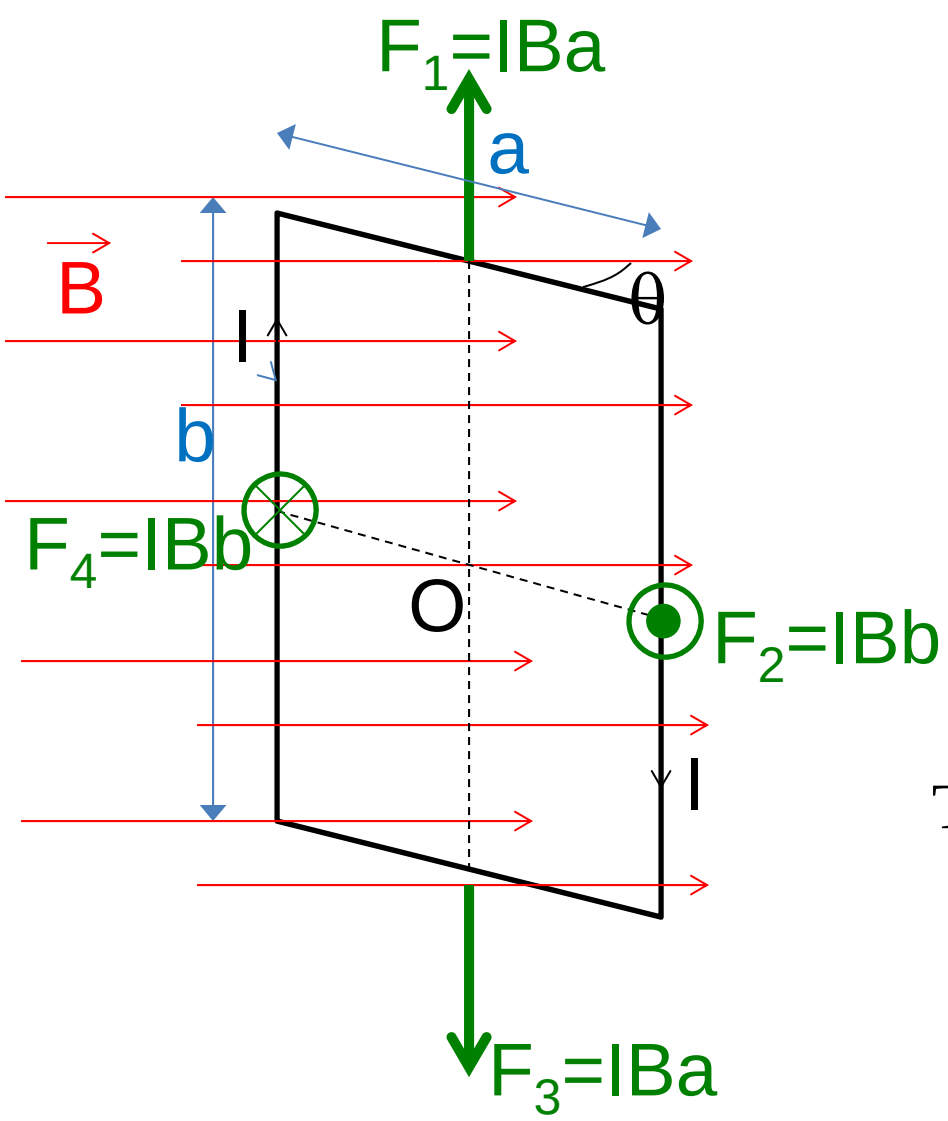
$$\Rightarrow \boxed{d\vec{F}_B = I\,d\vec{s} \times \vec{B}}$$

Force on the whole wire:

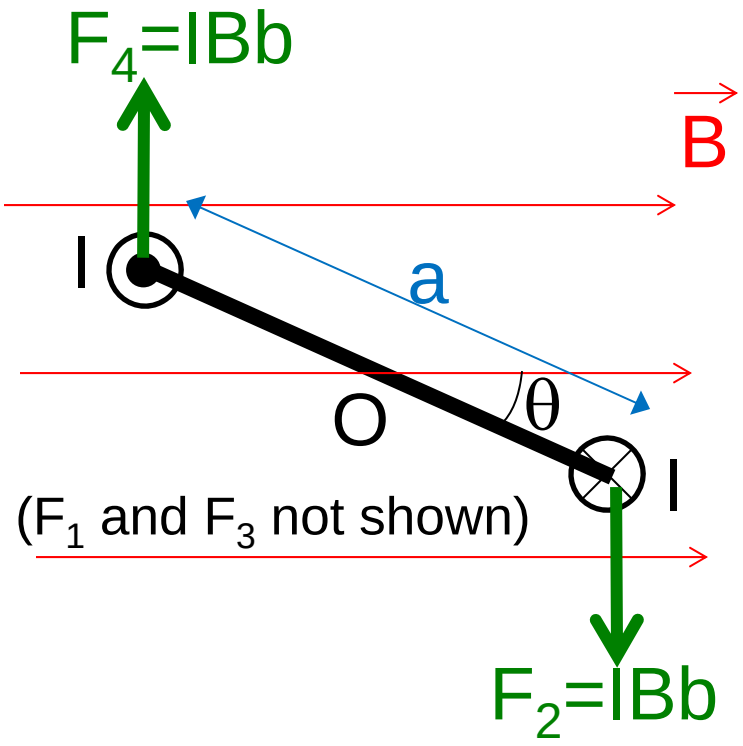
$$\vec{F}_B = \int_{\text{wire}} d\vec{F}_B = I \int_{\text{wire}} d\vec{s} \times \vec{B}$$

Class 29. Magnetic force and magnetic torque on a current loop

Magnetic Force on a Rectangular Loop



Top view

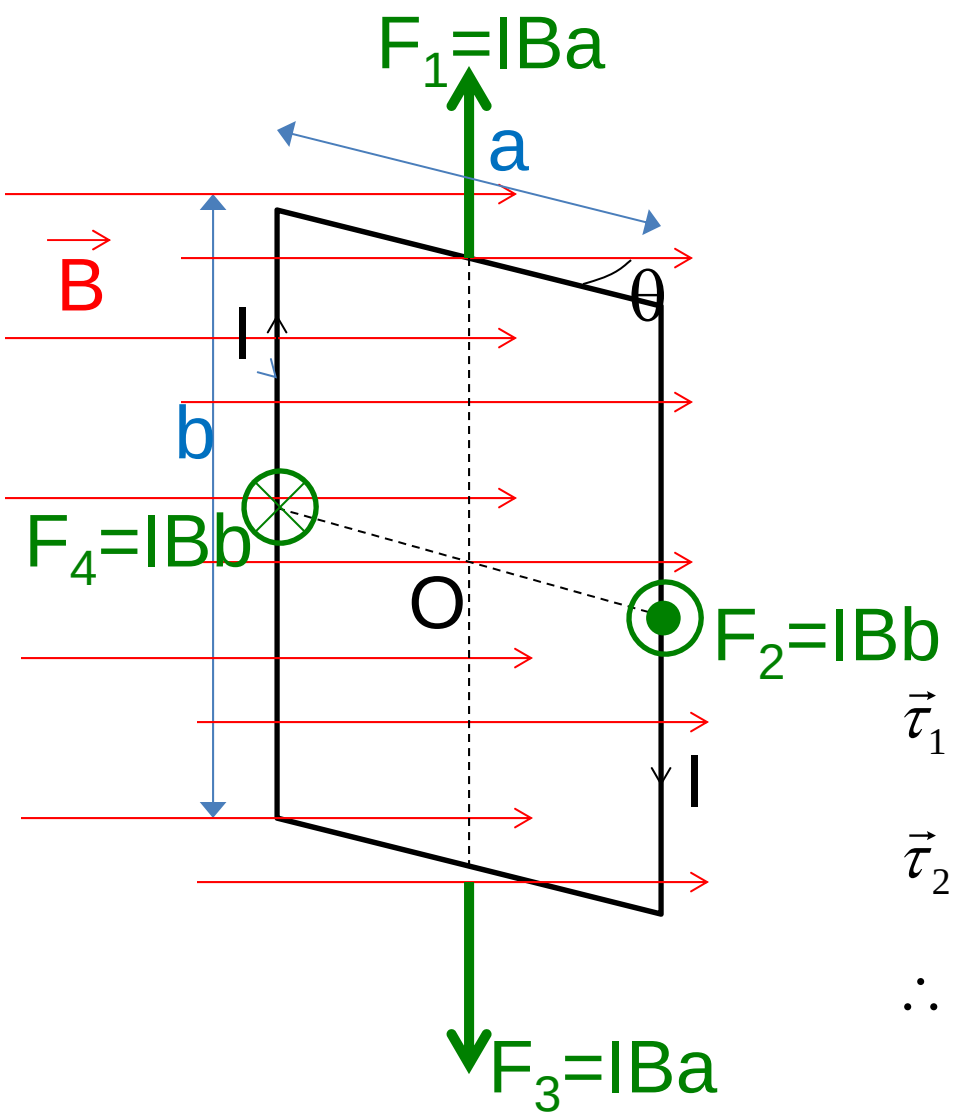


Total force acting on the loop

$$= \underbrace{\vec{F}_1 + \vec{F}_3}_{=0} + \underbrace{\vec{F}_2 + \vec{F}_4}_{=0}$$

$$= 0$$

Magnetic torque on a Rectangular Loop



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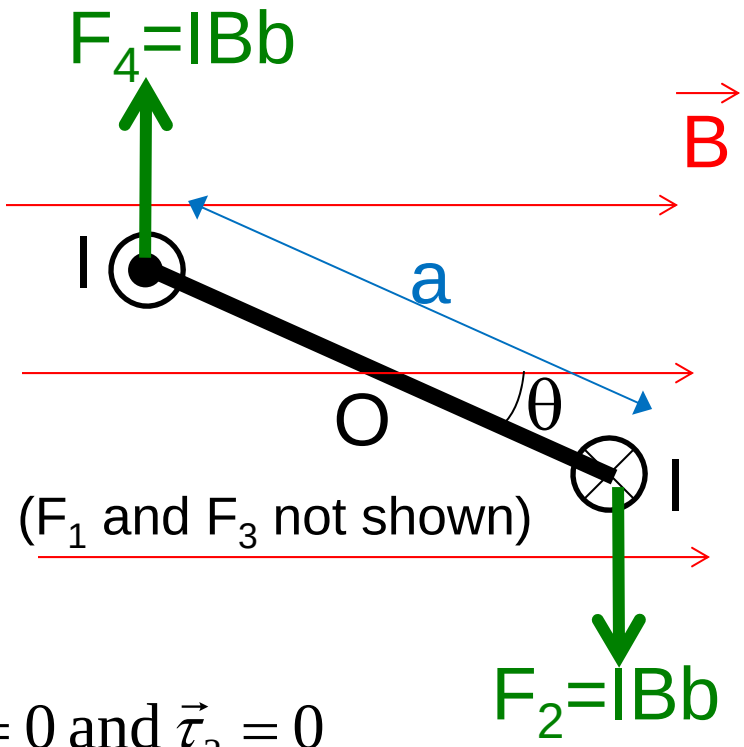


$$\vec{\tau}_1 = 0 \text{ and } \vec{\tau}_3 = 0$$

$$\vec{\tau}_2 = \vec{\tau}_4 = \mathrm{IBb} \cdot \frac{\mathrm{a}}{2} \cos\theta \otimes$$

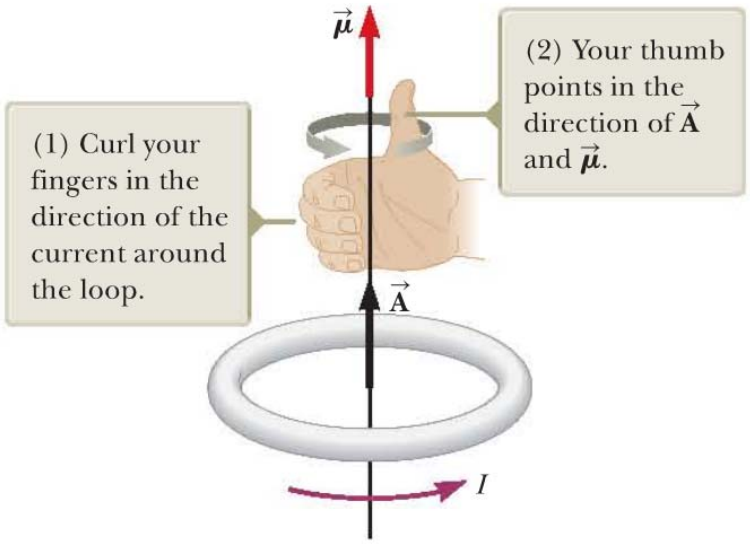
$$\therefore\ \vec{\tau} = \mathrm{IBa} \cdot \mathrm{b} \cos\theta \otimes = \mathrm{IBA}\cos\theta \otimes$$

$$= \mathrm{I}\vec{\mathrm{A}} \times \vec{\mathrm{B}}$$

Magnetic moment and Magnetic torque

For any current loop of arbitrary shape in a plane:

$$\vec{\tau} = \vec{\mu} \times \vec{\mathrm{B}}$$



If the coil has N turns,

$$\vec{\tau} = \mathrm{N}\vec{\mu} \times \vec{\mathrm{B}}$$

Torque tends to align μ and $\vec{A}$ with $\vec{B}$ (i.e. lowest potential energy at θ=0)

Magnetic moment:

$$\mu = \mathrm{IA}$$ (magnitude)

$$\mathrm{U} = -\vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{\mathrm{B}}$$