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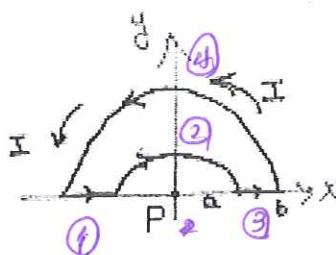
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Using the Biot-Savart law find the magnetic field at point P due to the current loop shown in the figure.



For parts (1) and (3), because $d\vec{l} \parallel \hat{r}$, then $\vec{B}_1 = \vec{B}_3 = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{I d\vec{l} \times \hat{r}}{r^2} = 0$
 (because $d\vec{l} \times \hat{r} = 0$)

Therefore, $\vec{B}_{total} = \vec{B}_2 + \vec{B}_4 = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \int \frac{d\vec{l}_2 \times \hat{r}_2}{r^2} + \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \int \frac{d\vec{l}_4 \times \hat{r}_4}{r^2}$
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and, $d\vec{l}_2 \perp \hat{r}_2 \Rightarrow |d\vec{l}_2 \times \hat{r}_2| = |d\vec{l}_2| |\hat{r}_2| \sin 90 = dl_2$

$d\vec{l}_4 \perp \hat{r}_4 \Rightarrow |d\vec{l}_4 \times \hat{r}_4| = |d\vec{l}_4| |\hat{r}_4| \sin 90 = dl_4$

$\Rightarrow B_{total} = \underbrace{+}_{\text{plus sign stands for the positive direction (into the page)}} \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \int \frac{dl_2}{a^2} \underbrace{-}_{\text{minus sign stands for the negative or opposite direction (out of the page)}} \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \int \frac{dl_4}{b^2} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \frac{1}{a^2} \int dl_2 - \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \frac{1}{b^2} \int dl_4$

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$\Rightarrow B_{total} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \left[\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b} \right] \otimes \text{ into the page}$

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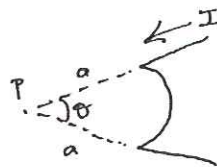
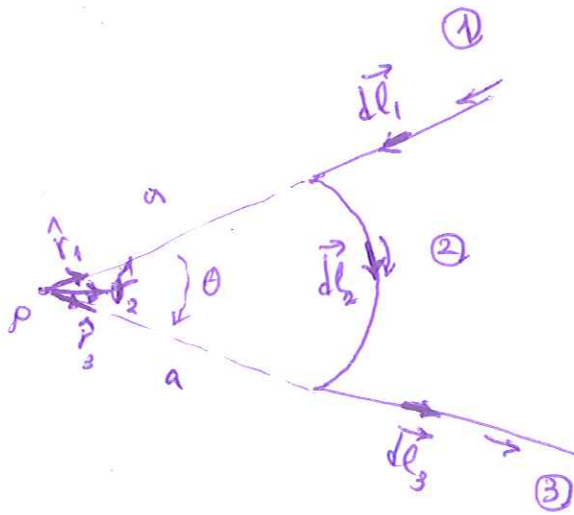
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Calculate the magnetic field at point P of the current-carrying wire segment shown in the figure using the Biot-Savart law. The wire consists of two straight portions and a circular arc of radius a , which subtends an angle θ .



$$\vec{B} = \vec{B}_1 + \vec{B}_2 + \vec{B}_3$$

$$\vec{B}_1 = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{I d\vec{l}_1 \times \hat{r}_1}{r^2} = 0, \text{ because } d\vec{l}_1 \parallel \hat{r}_1$$

$$\vec{B}_3 = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{I d\vec{l}_3 \times \hat{r}_3}{r^2} = 0, \text{ because } d\vec{l}_3 \parallel \hat{r}_3$$

$$\vec{B}_2 = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{I d\vec{l}_2 \times \hat{r}_2}{r^2} \quad \theta=90 \quad \frac{\mu_0 I}{r^2 a} \int dl \quad \otimes$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{B}_2 = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi a^2} \cdot a\theta = \frac{\mu_0 I \theta}{4\pi a}$$

$$\vec{B}_{\text{total}} = \vec{B}_2 = \frac{\mu_0 I \theta}{4\pi a} \quad \text{the direction is } \otimes \text{ into the page. } \otimes$$

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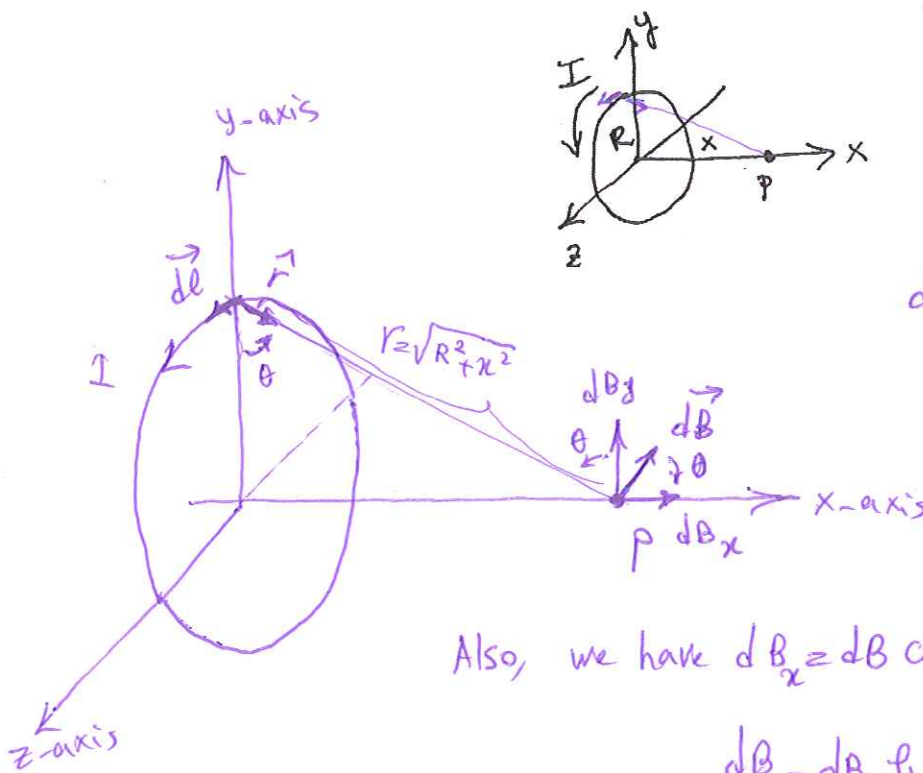
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Consider a circular wire of loop of radius R located in the yz plane and carrying a steady current I as shown in the figure. Calculate the magnetic field at an axial point P at a distance x from the center of the loop using the Biot-Savart law.



note that,

$$(\vec{dl} \times \hat{r}) \Rightarrow |\vec{dl} \times \hat{r}| = dl$$

$$dB = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \frac{|\vec{dl} \times \hat{r}|}{r^2}$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \frac{dl}{(x^2 + R^2)}$$

Also, we have $dB_x = dB \cos \theta = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \frac{dl}{(x^2 + R^2)} \times \frac{R}{\sqrt{x^2 + R^2}}$

$$dB_y = dB \sin \theta = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \frac{dl}{(x^2 + R^2)} \times \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + R^2}}$$

Notice that for each element dl

There is another one in the opposite side of the loop, which cancel the y -component of magnetic field. Therefore, the total magnetic field \vec{B} at P has only an x -component.

$$\Rightarrow B_{\text{total}} = B_x = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \int \frac{R dl}{(x^2 + R^2)^{3/2}} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{as } x \text{ and } R \\ \text{have definite} \\ \text{values} \end{array} \quad \frac{\mu_0 I R}{4\pi (x^2 + R^2)^{3/2}} \int dl$$

$$\Rightarrow B_{\text{total}} = \frac{\mu_0 I R^2}{2(x^2 + R^2)^{3/2}} \quad \begin{array}{l} \uparrow \\ \downarrow \end{array}$$

$(x^2 + R^2)$ is constant for all points on loop

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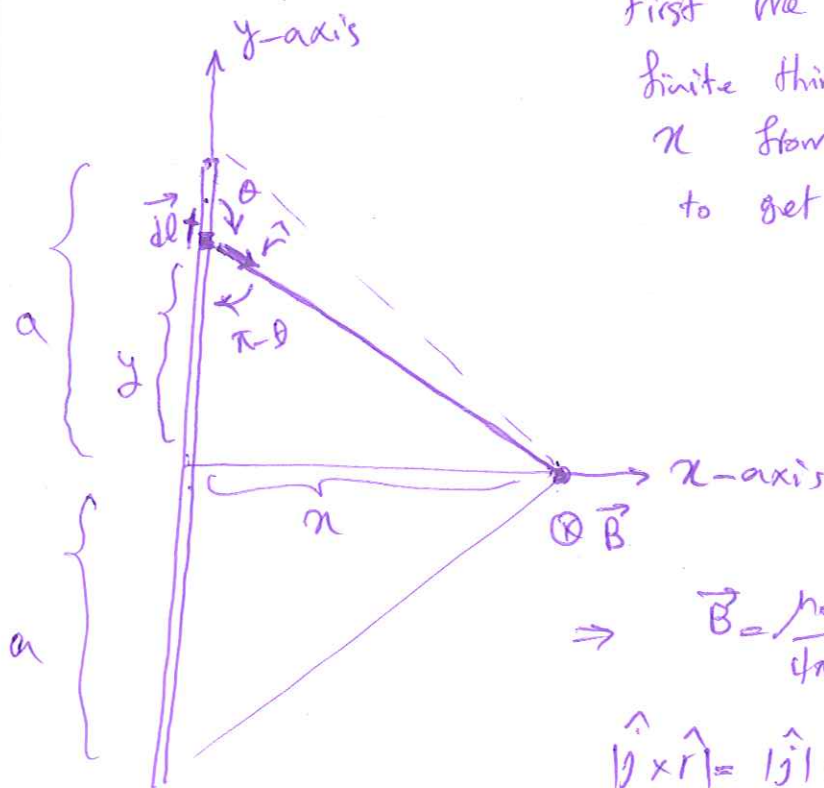
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Using the Bio-Savart law, find the magnetic field of a thin, infinitely long, straight current-carrying wire.



First we obtain the magnetic field of a finite thin wire with length $2a$ in a distance x from its center. Then take $a \rightarrow \infty$ to get the magnetic field of an infinite wire.

$$\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{I d\vec{l} \times \hat{r}}{r^2}, \quad d\vec{l} = dy \hat{j}$$

$$\hat{r} = \frac{\vec{r}}{r}$$

where $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \int \frac{dy \hat{j} \times \hat{r}}{(x^2 + y^2)}$$

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$$|\hat{j} \times \hat{r}| = |\hat{j}| |\hat{r}| \sin\theta = 1 \times 1 \sin\theta = \sin(\pi - \theta)$$

and $\sin(\pi - \theta) = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \int_{-a}^{+a} \frac{x dy}{(x^2 + y^2)^{3/2}} \xrightarrow{\text{take } y = x \tan\phi} \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \int \frac{x^2 (1 + \tan^2\phi) d\phi}{x^3 (1 + \tan^2\phi)^{3/2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi x} \int \frac{d\phi}{\sqrt{1 + \tan^2\phi}} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi x} \int \cos\phi d\phi = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi x} \sin\phi = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi x} \left[\frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \right]_{-a}^{+a}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \frac{2a}{\sqrt{x^2 + a^2}} \otimes \text{ (the magnetic field of a finite wire)}$$

Now, let us take $a \rightarrow \infty$, we get,

$$\Rightarrow \vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \frac{2a}{x \sqrt{\frac{x^2}{a^2} + 1}} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi x} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{x^2}{a^2}}} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi x} \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{a^2}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$(1+x)^n$ if $|x| < 1$
 $\underline{\underline{1 + nx + \dots}}$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi x} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{x^2}{a^2} + \dots\right) \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{as } a \rightarrow +\infty \\ \text{only first term has} \\ \text{the contribution.} \end{array} \quad \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi x} \otimes}$$