

# Solution to Physics 9C-A Final (2016)

1-(a) Electric field at A is the linear superposition of the electric field produced by the positively charged shell at A and the field produced by the negatively charged shell.

But, the field by the positively charged shell at its center is zero. Thus

$$\vec{E}_A = \vec{E}_A \Big|_{\text{negatively charged shell}} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{(-Q)}{L^2} \cdot (-\hat{x})$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{L^2} \hat{x}$$

1-(b) Electric field at C is the linear superposition of the field produced by the positively charged shell at C and the field produced by the negatively charged shell at C.

$$\vec{E}_C = \vec{E}_C \Big|_{\text{positively charged shell}} + \vec{E}_C \Big|_{\text{negatively charged shell}}$$

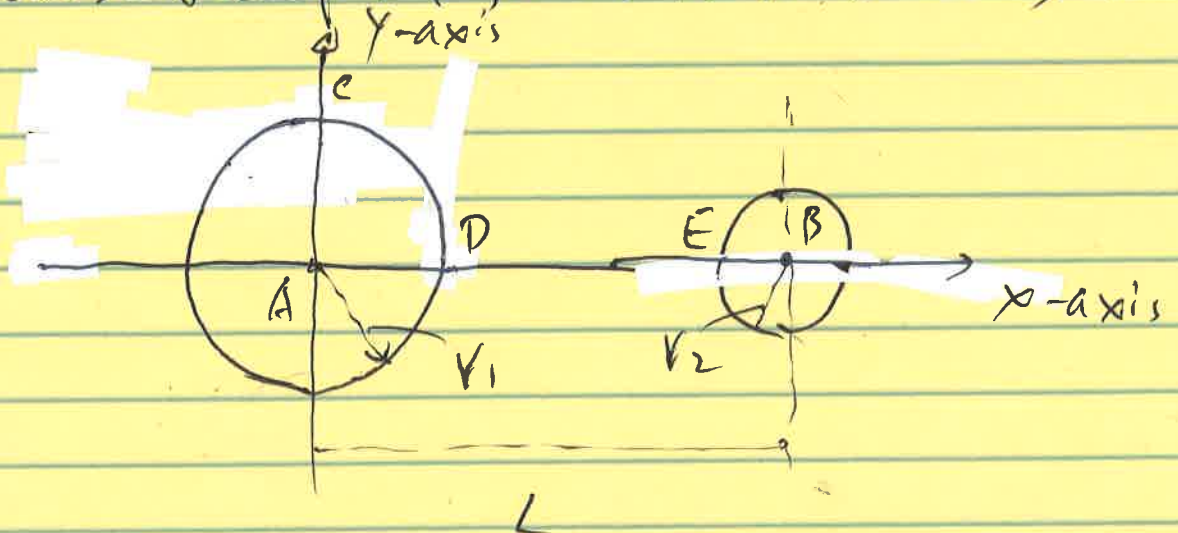
$$= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{r_1^2} \hat{y} + \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{(-Q)}{L^2 + r_1^2} \frac{(-L)\hat{x} + r_1\hat{y}}{\sqrt{L^2 + r_1^2}}$$

$$= \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{L}{(L^2 + r_1^2)^{3/2}} \right) \hat{x} + \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{1}{r_1^2} - \frac{r_1}{(L^2 + r_1^2)^{3/2}} \right) \hat{y}$$

1-(c) The electric potential difference  $V_A - V_B$  is the linear superposition of  $(V_A - V_B)$  due to the positively charged shell and  $(V_A - V_B)$  due to the negatively charged shell.

$$V_A - V_B = \int_A^B \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} = \int_A^B \vec{E}(+Q) \cdot d\vec{l} + \int_A^B \vec{E}(-Q) \cdot d\vec{l}$$

Choose the path from A to B along x-axis.





$$\int_A^B \vec{E}(+Q) \cdot d\vec{l} = \int_A^D \vec{E}(+Q) \cdot d\vec{l} + \int_D^B \vec{E}(+Q) \cdot d\vec{l}$$

$$= \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{1}{r_1} - \frac{1}{L-r_1} \right)$$

0  $\vec{E}(+Q) = 0$  inside  $V_1$

$$\int_A^B \vec{E}(-Q) \cdot d\vec{l} = \int_A^E \vec{E}(-Q) \cdot d\vec{l} + \int_E^B \vec{E}(-Q) \cdot d\vec{l}$$

$$= \frac{(-Q)}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{1}{L-r_2} - \frac{1}{r_2} \right)$$

$\vec{E}(-Q) = 0$   
inside  $V_2$

$$= \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{1}{r_2} - \frac{1}{L-r_2} \right)$$

$$\therefore V_A - V_B = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{1}{r_1} + \frac{1}{r_2} - \frac{1}{L-r_1} - \frac{1}{L-r_2} \right)$$

2-(a) The charges on both capacitors are the same as they are connected in series.

The potential drop the two capacitors is the same as  $V_{ab}$  as after  $V_{ab}$  is applied for a long time, there should be no current flowing through  $R_3$ . The charge on the two capacitors is related to the potential drop  $V_{ab}$  across them by the network capacitance

$$C_{12} = \frac{C_1 \cdot C_2}{C_1 + C_2}$$

Thus

$$Q_{10} = Q_{20} = V_{ab} C_{12} = \frac{V_{ab} \cdot C_1 \cdot C_2}{C_1 + C_2}$$

2-(b) After the switch is closed for a long time, no more current flows to the arm of capacitors. As a result, the current through all three resistors is the same,

$$I = \frac{V_{ab}}{R_1 + R_2 + R_3}$$



Now the potential drop across the two capacitors connected in series is

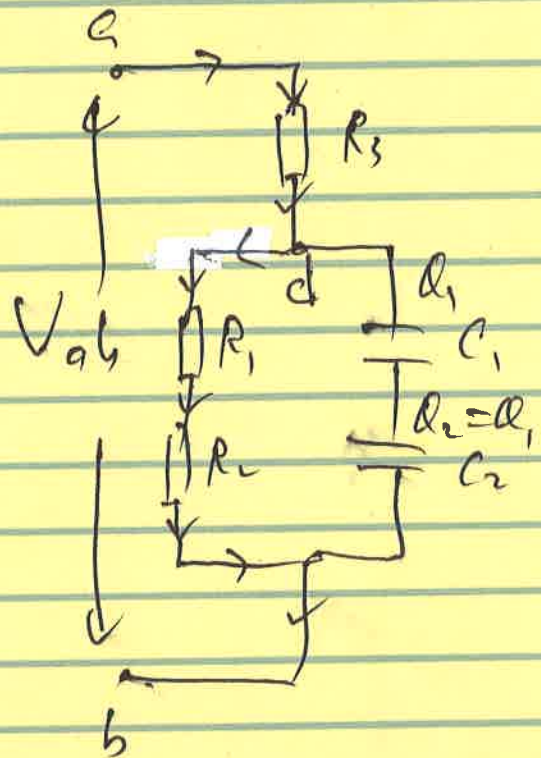
$$V_{ab} = I \cdot (R_1 + R_2)$$

$$= \frac{V_{ab} \cdot (R_1 + R_2)}{R_1 + R_2 + R_3}$$

The charges on both capacitors are the same as they are in series,

$$Q_1 = Q_2 = V_{ab} \cdot C_{12}$$

$$= \frac{V_{ab} \cdot (R_1 + R_2)}{R_1 + R_2 + R_3} \cdot \frac{C_1 \cdot C_2}{C_1 + C_2}$$



2-(c) Immediately after the switch is closed, the charge on both \$C\_1\$ and \$C\_2\$ cannot change immediately, thus the potential drop across them remain unchanged:

$$V_{ab} = \frac{Q_{10}}{C_1} + \frac{Q_{20}}{C_2} = V_{ab}$$

As a result, there is no current through  $R_3$  since  $V_{ab} = V_{db} = V_{ad} + V_{db}$

$$\therefore V_{ad} \text{ (across } R_3) = 0$$

By Ohm's law,  $I_3 = 0$ .

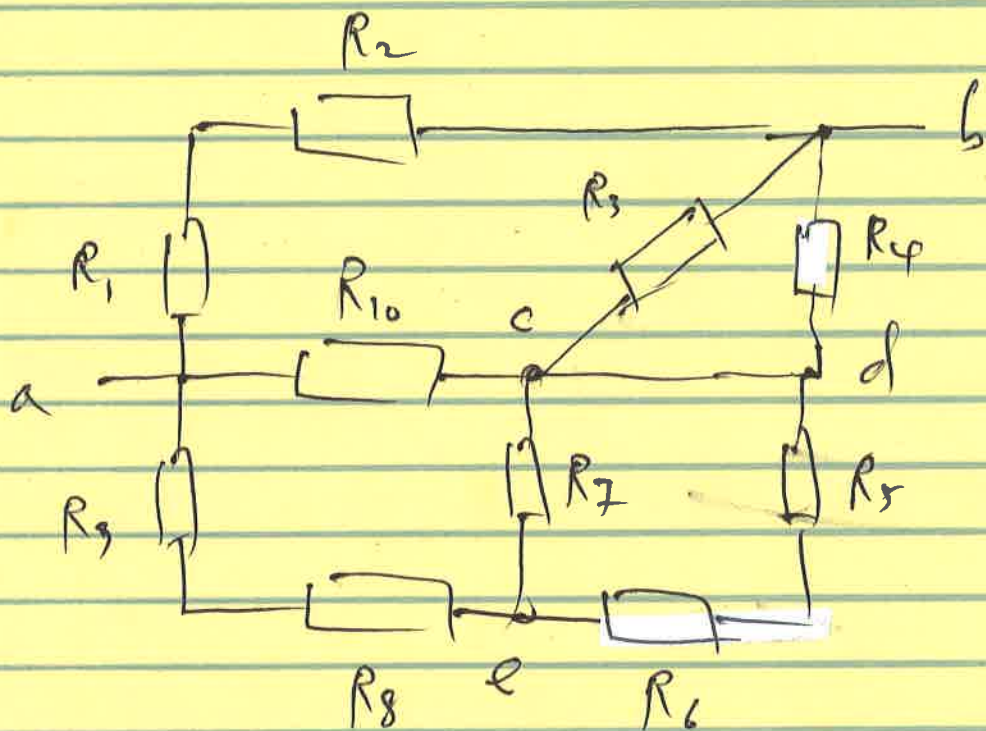
Since  $V_{db} = V_{ab}$  at that moment, by Ohm's law, the current through both  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are equal and given by

$$I_1 = I_2 = \frac{V_{ab}}{R_1 + R_2}$$

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3-(a)



$$R_{12} = R_1 + R_2$$

$$R_{34} = \frac{R_3 \cdot R_4}{R_3 + R_4}$$

$$R_{56} = R_5 + R_6$$

$$R_{567} = \frac{R_7 \cdot R_{56}}{R_7 + R_{56}}$$

$$R_{89} = R_8 + R_9$$

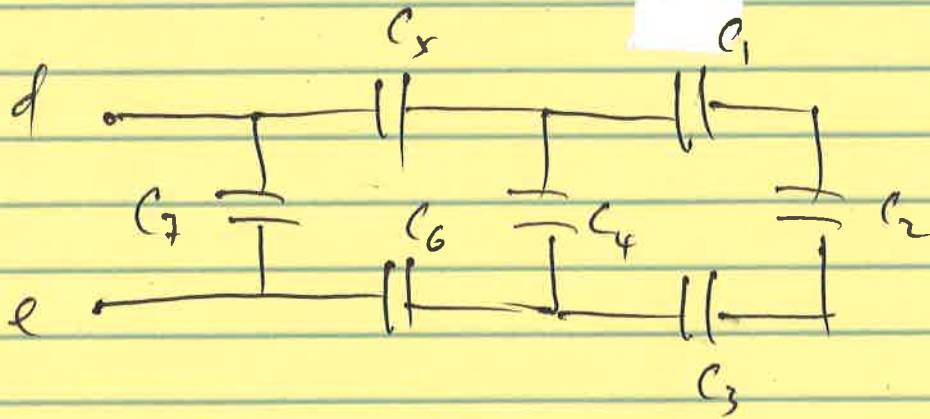
$$R_{56789} = R_{89} + R_{567}$$

$$R_{5678910} = \frac{R_{56789} \cdot R_{10}}{R_{10} + R_{56789}}$$

$$R_{345678910} = R_{34} + R_{5678910}$$

$$\therefore R_{ab} = \frac{R_{12} \cdot R_{345678910}}{R_{12} + R_{345678910}}$$

3-(b)



$$C_1 = C_2 = C_3 = C_4 = C_5 = C_6 = C_7 = C$$

$$\frac{1}{C_{123}} = \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2} + \frac{1}{C_3} = \frac{3}{C}$$

$$\therefore C_{123} = \frac{C}{3}$$

$$C_{1234} = C_{123} + C_4 = \frac{C}{3} + C = \left(\frac{4}{3}\right) \cdot C$$

$$\frac{1}{C_{123456}} = \frac{1}{C_5} + \frac{1}{C_6} + \frac{1}{C_{1234}} = \frac{1}{C} + \frac{1}{C} + \frac{3}{4C} = \frac{11}{4C}$$

$$\therefore C_{123456} = \frac{4}{11} C \Rightarrow C_{de} = C_{1234567} = C_7 + C_{123456} = \frac{15}{11} C$$



4-(a) The magnetic field produced by the current loop at  $z > 0$  is

$$\vec{B}(z) = (-\hat{z}) \cdot \frac{\mu_0 I R^2}{2(R^2 + z^2)^{3/2}}$$

The torque experienced by  $\vec{m}$  at this point is

$$\vec{\tau}_m = \vec{m} \times \vec{B}$$

$$= (m \hat{x}) \times (-\hat{z}) \cdot \frac{\mu_0 I R^2}{2(R^2 + z^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$= \hat{y} \cdot \frac{m \cdot \mu_0 I R^2}{2 \cdot (R^2 + z^2)^{3/2}}$$

4-(b) The current loop represents a permanent magnet with the south pole pointing along the positive  $z$ -axis.  $M$  is also a permanent magnet with the south pole facing the current loop. Since like poles repel each other, the force on  $M$  is along the positive  $z$ -axis, away from the current loop.

4-(c) The force on the permanent magnet  $\vec{m}$  is the negative gradient of its potential energy along the  $z$ -axis.

$$\begin{aligned}U(z) &= -\vec{m} \cdot \vec{B} \\&= -\left(m \hat{z}\right) \cdot \left(-\hat{z} \frac{\mu_0 I \cdot R^2}{2(R^2+z^2)^{3/2}}\right) \\&= \frac{m \cdot \mu_0 I \cdot R^2}{2(R^2+z^2)^{3/2}}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{F}_{\text{on } \vec{m}} &= -\left(\frac{dU(z)}{dz}\right) \cdot \hat{z} \\&= (-)\left(-\frac{3}{2}\right) \cdot (2z) \cdot \frac{\mu_0 I \cdot R^2}{2(R^2+z^2)^{5/2}} \hat{z} \\&= + \frac{3 \cdot \mu_0 I \cdot R^2 \cdot z}{2(R^2+z^2)^{5/2}} \cdot \hat{z}\end{aligned}$$

For  $z > 0$ ,  $\vec{F}$  is along positive  $z$ , repulsion

For  $z < 0$ ,  $\vec{F}$  is along negative  $z$ , also repulsion



5-(a) Two methods.

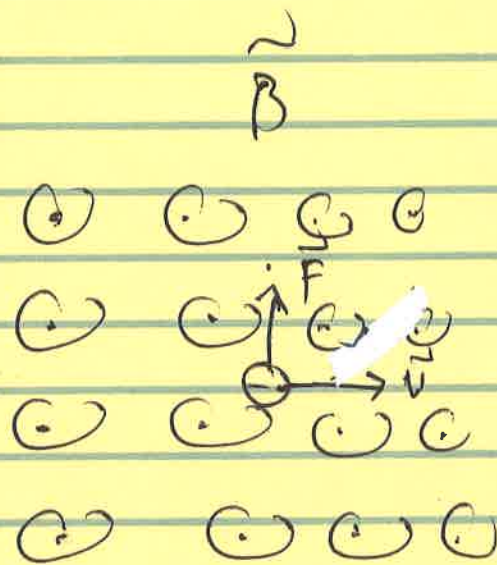
Method #1:

Let the electron be moving to the right as indicated.

The force and thus the acceleration on the electron is

$$\vec{F}_{\text{on } e} = (-e) \cdot \vec{v} \times \vec{B}$$

pointing upward. Thus the cyclotron motion of the electron is counter-clockwise.



Method #2:

From

$$m \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = -e \vec{v} \times \vec{B}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = \left( -\frac{e\vec{B}}{m} \right) \times \vec{v}$$

It describes a circular motion with the angular velocity  $\vec{\omega} = -e\vec{B}/m = +\frac{e}{m} \vec{B}$ ; ccw \*

5-(b)

$$R_c = \frac{m \cdot v}{|e| \cdot B} = \frac{9.1 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg} \times 4 \times 10^7 \text{ m/sec}}{1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C} \times 0.2 \text{ T}}$$

$$= 1.14 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m} = 1.14 \text{ mm} \quad \#$$

5-(c)

When the electron is moving to the left, the applied electric  $\vec{E}$  needs to be such that the total force on the electron is zero so that it will continue moving at  $\vec{v}$  to the left.

$$\vec{F}_{\text{on } e} = |e| (\vec{E} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B}) = 0$$

$$\therefore \vec{E} = -\vec{v} \times \vec{B}$$

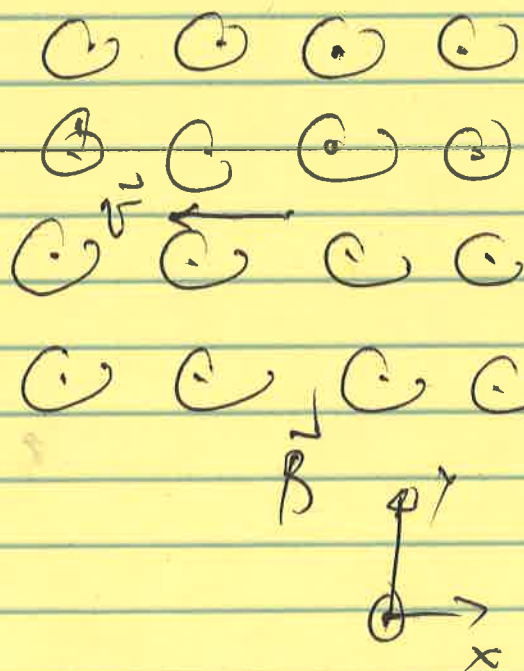
$$= (-\hat{y}) v B$$

$$\text{or } \vec{E} = -\vec{v} \times \vec{B}$$

$$= -(v(-\hat{x})) \times B \hat{z}$$

$$= v B \hat{x} \times \hat{z}$$

$$= v \cdot B \cdot (-\hat{y}) \quad \#$$





6-(a) If we want the bar to move to the right, the magnetic force on the bar when it carries a current produced by  $\mathcal{E}$  has to be pointing to the right.

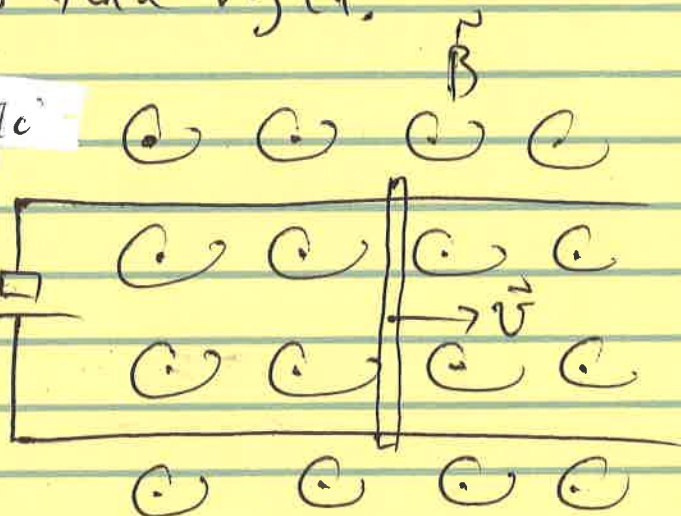
Since the magnetic force on the bar is

$$\vec{F}^{(M)} = I \vec{l} \times \vec{B}$$

with  $\vec{l}$  along the direction of the current. For  $\vec{F}^{(M)}$  to point to the right the current must flow upward through  $l$ . So the battery  $\mathcal{E}$  is connected downward.

The magnitude of the battery has to be such that it cancels out the motional  $\mathcal{E} = v l B$  at the desired velocity  $v$  and there is no more current flowing through the bar and thus no more magnetic force to accelerate it further.

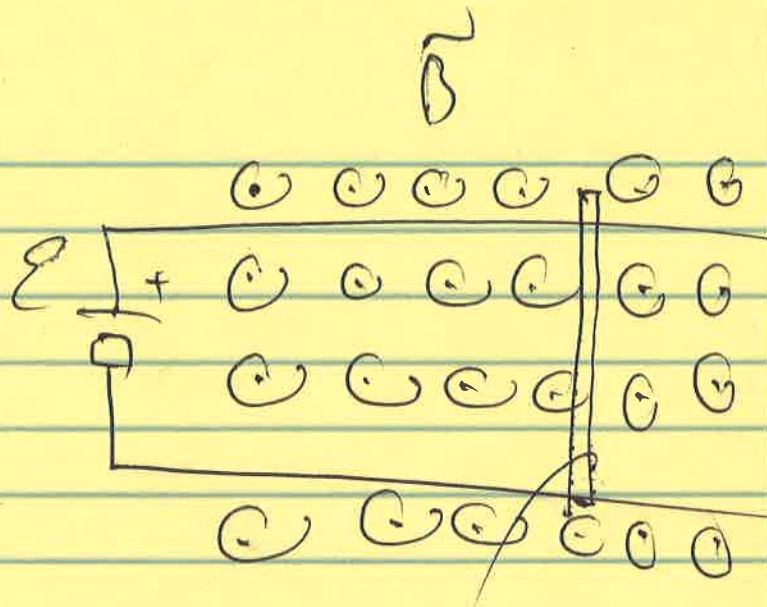
$$\therefore \mathcal{E}_{\text{battery}} = v \cdot l \cdot B$$





6-(b) If  $\mathcal{E}$  is connected upward, it produces a clockwise current

$$I \Big|_{\text{due to } \mathcal{E}} = \frac{\mathcal{E}}{R}$$



As a result, the bar experiences a magnetic force

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{F}^{(M)} &= I \vec{l} \times \vec{B} \\ &= I l \cdot B \cdot (-\hat{y}) \times \hat{z} \\ &= I \cdot l \cdot B \cdot (-\hat{x}) \end{aligned}$$



We need an external force  $\vec{F}_{\text{ext}}$  so that

$$\vec{F}_{\text{ext}} + \vec{F}^{(M)} = 0$$

$$\therefore \vec{F}_{\text{ext}} = -\vec{F}^{(M)} = I \cdot l \cdot B \cdot \hat{x} = \left(\frac{\mathcal{E}}{R}\right) \cdot l \cdot B \cdot \hat{x}$$

along the positive  $x$  (to the right)



7-(a) The magnetic forces on the two sides of a  
cancel each other.

The magnetic field  
due to the long  
wire at AB segment  
is

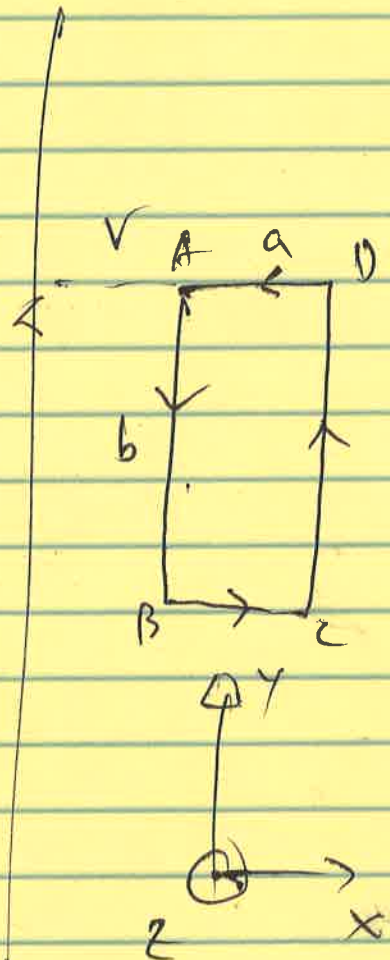
$$\vec{B}(r) = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi r} (-\hat{z})$$

Thus the magnetic  
force on AB segment  
with  $I_2$  flowing from  
A to B

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{F}_{\text{on AB}} &= I_2 \vec{AB} \times \vec{B}(r) \\ &= \frac{\mu_0 I_1 I_2 \cdot b}{2\pi r} (-\hat{y}) \times (-\hat{z}) \\ &= \frac{\mu_0 I_1 I_2 \cdot b}{2\pi r} \hat{x} \end{aligned}$$

The magnetic field due to  $I$  at CD segment

$$\vec{B}(rea) = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi(r+a)} (-\hat{z})$$



The force on CD segment with  $I_2$  flowing ahead from C to D

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{F}_{\text{on CD}} &= I_2 \vec{CD} \times \vec{B}(r+a) \\ &= \frac{\mu_0 I_1 I_2 b}{2\pi(r+a)} (\hat{y}) \times (-\hat{z}) \\ &= -\frac{\mu_0 I_1 I_2 b}{2\pi(r+a)} \hat{x}\end{aligned}$$

The total force

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{F}_{\text{on the loop}} &= \vec{F}_{\text{on AB}} + \vec{F}_{\text{on CD}} \\ &= \frac{\mu_0 I_1 I_2 a \cdot b}{2\pi r (r+a)} \hat{x} \\ &\approx \frac{\mu_0 I_1 (I_2 ab)}{2\pi r^2} \hat{x}\end{aligned}$$

away from the long wire.



7-(b) Since a rev, the magnetic field due to  $I$  through the loop

$$\vec{B}(r) = -\frac{\mu_0 I(A)}{2\pi r} \hat{z}$$

Thus the magnetic flux through a counter-clockwise loop is

$$\Phi_B \approx \vec{B}(r) \cdot (ab \hat{z})$$

$$= -\frac{\mu_0 ab}{2\pi r} I(A)$$

The induced emf along the counter-clockwise loop is

$$\mathcal{E}_{ind} = \oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} = -\frac{d\Phi_B}{dt} = \frac{\mu_0 ab}{2\pi r} \cdot \alpha$$

So the induced current is also counter-clockwise

$$I_{loop} = \frac{\mathcal{E}_{ind}}{R} = \frac{\mu_0 ab \cdot \alpha}{2\pi r \cdot R}$$

