

Magnetic field intensity on the axis of circular loop:

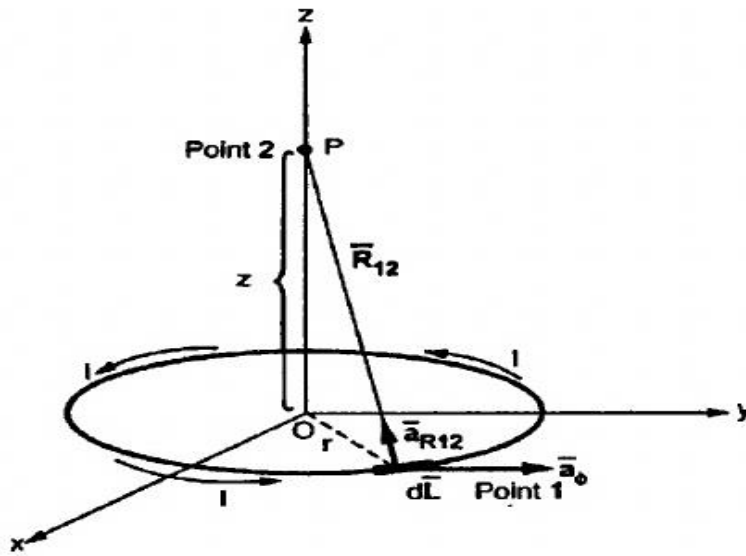


Fig 7: H on the axis of the circular loop.

Consider a circular loop carrying a direct current I placed in xy plane with z -axis. The magnetic field intensity \vec{H} at point P is to be obtained. The point P is at a distance ' z ' from the plane of the circular loop along its axis. The radius of the circular loop is ' r ' consider the differential length dl of the loop.

In cylindrical co-ordinate system,

$$d\vec{l} = dr \vec{a}_r + r d\phi \vec{a}_\phi + dz \vec{a}_z$$

But dl is in the plane for which ' r ' is constant and $z=0$ for constant plane. The $I dl$ is tangential at point 1 in a_ϕ direction.

$$I d\vec{l} = I r d\phi \vec{a}_\phi$$

The unit vector $\vec{a}_{R_{12}}$ is in the direction along the line joining differential current element to the point P .

$$\vec{a}_{R_{12}} = \frac{\vec{R}_{12}}{|R_{12}|}$$

$$\vec{R}_{12} = -r \vec{a}_r + z \vec{a}_z$$

$$|R_{12}| = \sqrt{(-r)^2 + z^2}$$

$$\vec{a}_{R_{12}} = \frac{-r \vec{a}_r + z \vec{a}_z}{\sqrt{r^2 + z^2}}$$

$$\text{Now } d\vec{l} \times R_{12} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{a}_r & \vec{a}_\phi & \vec{a}_z \\ 0 & r d\phi & 0 \\ -r & 0 & z \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= z r d\phi \vec{a}_r + r^2 d\phi \vec{a}_z$$

According to Biot- savart law, the differential field strength $d\vec{H}$ at point P is given by

$$d\vec{H} = \frac{I d\vec{l} \times aR_{12}}{4\pi R_{12}^2} = \frac{I[zr d\phi \vec{a}_r + r^2 d\phi \vec{a}_z]}{4\pi(\sqrt{r^2 + z^2})^3}$$

$|\vec{R}_{12}|$ is neglected while obtaining the cross product. The total H is to be obtained by integrating ϕ from 0 to 2π .

$$\vec{H} = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{I [zr \vec{a}_r + r^2 \vec{a}_z] d\phi}{4\pi(r^2 + z^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

$$= \frac{I}{4\pi} \left\{ \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{zr \vec{a}_r d\phi}{(r^2 + z^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} + \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{r^2 d\phi \vec{a}_z}{(r^2 + z^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \right\}$$

Consider 1st integral to prove that its value is zero due to radial symmetry.

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{zr d\phi \vec{a}_r}{(r^2 + z^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{zr d\phi}{(r^2 + z^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} [\cos \phi \vec{a}_x + \sin \phi \vec{a}_y]$$

The unit vector \vec{a}_r is expressed in rectangular co-ordinate system,
 $\cos \phi \vec{a}_x + \sin \phi \vec{a}_y$

$$\text{Now } \int_0^{2\pi} \cos \phi d\phi = [\sin \phi]_0^{2\pi} = 0$$

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \sin \phi d\phi = [-\cos \phi]_0^{2\pi} = -\cos 2\pi + \cos 0 = -1 + 1 = 0$$

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{zr d\phi \vec{a}_r}{(r^2 + z^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} = 0$$

$$\vec{H} = \frac{I}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{r^2 d\phi \vec{a}_z}{(r^2 + z^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} = \frac{I}{4\pi} \frac{r^2 \vec{a}_z}{(r^2 + z^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi = \frac{I}{4\pi} \frac{r^2 \vec{a}_z}{(r^2 + z^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} [\phi]_0^{2\pi}$$

$$\vec{H} = \frac{I 2\pi r^2 \vec{a}_z}{4\pi (r^2 + z^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} = \frac{I r^2 \vec{a}_z}{2(r^2 + z^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \text{ A/m}$$

$r \rightarrow$ Radius of the circular loop.
 $z \rightarrow$ Distance of point p along the axis
 Magnetic field intensity at the center of the circular loop

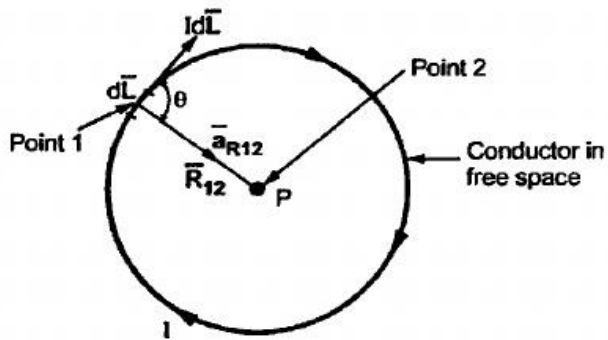


Fig8: Magnetic field intensity at the centre of the circular loop

Substitute $z=0$ in the above equation .

$$\vec{H} = \frac{I r^2 a_z}{2r^3} = \frac{I \vec{a}_z}{2r} \text{ A/m.}$$