

## HOMEWORK for TUESDAY, JULY 12, 2005

For each of the following situations two circuit loops are shown in a uniform external magnetic field  $\vec{B}_{\text{ext}}$ . Let the one on the left have a clockwise current and the one on the right have a counterclockwise current. For each loop show the direction of  $\vec{B}_{\text{loop}}$ . Determine in each case the forces acting on each side of the current and determine if there is a net force or a net torque. If there is a net torque, determine how the loop will rotate, and describe how this is related to the directions of  $\vec{B}_{\text{loop}}$  and  $\vec{B}_{\text{ext}}$ .



Clockwise current on left:  $\vec{B}_{\text{loop}}$  is down ( $\otimes$ ); forces on top, right, bottom, left sides are, respectively,  $\uparrow$ ,  $\rightarrow$ ,  $\downarrow$ , and  $\leftarrow$  (all directed outward). There is no net force and no net torque.

Counterclockwise current on right:  $\vec{B}_{\text{loop}}$  is up ( $\odot$ ); forces on top, right, bottom, and left sides are, respectively,  $\downarrow$ ,  $\leftarrow$ ,  $\uparrow$ , and  $\rightarrow$  (all directed inward). There is no net force and no net torque.



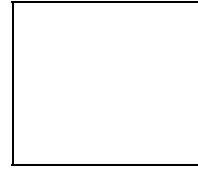
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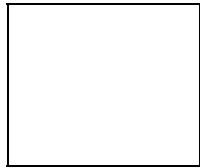
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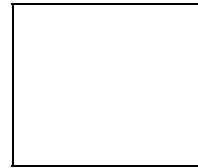
Clockwise current on left:  $\vec{B}_{\text{loop}}$  is down ( $\otimes$ ); forces on top and bottom are 0 and those on left and right sides are, respectively,  $\odot$  and  $\otimes$ . There is no net force but there is a net torque causing clockwise rotation as viewed from below the bottom side.

Counterclockwise current on right:  $\vec{B}_{\text{loop}}$  is up ( $\odot$ ); forces on top and bottom are 0 and those on left and right sides are, respectively,  $\otimes$  and  $\odot$ . There is no net force but there is a net torque causing counterclockwise rotation as viewed from below the bottom side.

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Clockwise current on left:  $\vec{B}_{\text{loop}}$  is down ( $\otimes$ ); forces on top and bottom are 0 and those on left and right sides are, respectively,  $\otimes$  and  $\odot$ . There is no net force but there is a net torque causing counterclockwise rotation as viewed from below the bottom side.

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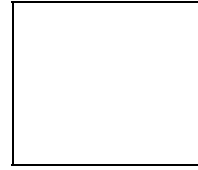
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Clockwise current on left:  $\vec{B}_{\text{loop}}$  is down ( $\otimes$ ); forces on left and right sides are 0 and those on the top and bottom sides are, respectively,  $\odot$  and  $\otimes$ . There is no net force but there is a net torque causing clockwise rotation as viewed from the left of the left side.

Counterclockwise current on right:  $\vec{B}_{\text{loop}}$  is up ( $\odot$ ); forces on left and right sides are 0 and those on the top and bottom sides are, respectively,  $\otimes$  and  $\odot$ . There is no net force but there is a net torque causing counterclockwise rotation as viewed from the left of the left side.

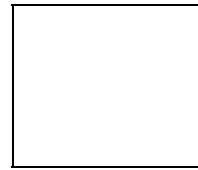
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 $\nearrow \vec{B}_{\text{ext}}$ 


Clockwise current on left:  $\vec{B}_{\text{loop}}$  is down ( $\otimes$ ); forces on top, right, bottom, left sides are, respectively,  $\odot$ ,  $\odot$ ,  $\otimes$ , and  $\otimes$ . There is no net force but there is a net torque causing counterclockwise rotation as viewed from below and to the right of the lower right corner.

Counterclockwise current on right:  $\vec{B}_{\text{loop}}$  is up ( $\odot$ ); forces on top, right, bottom, left sides are, respectively,  $\otimes$ ,  $\otimes$ ,  $\odot$ , and  $\odot$ . There is no net force but there is a net torque causing clockwise rotation as viewed from below and to the right of the lower right corner.

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 $\searrow \vec{B}_{\text{ext}}$ 


Clockwise current on left:  $\vec{B}_{\text{loop}}$  is down ( $\otimes$ ); forces on top, right, bottom, left sides are, respectively,  $\otimes$ ,  $\odot$ ,  $\odot$ , and  $\otimes$ . There is no net force but there is a net torque causing counterclockwise rotation as viewed from below and to the left of the lower left corner.

Counterclockwise current on right:  $\vec{B}_{\text{loop}}$  is up ( $\odot$ ); forces on top, right, bottom, left sides are, respectively,  $\odot$ ,  $\otimes$ ,  $\otimes$ , and  $\odot$ . There is no net force but there is a net torque causing clockwise rotation as viewed from below and to the left of the lower left corner.

In cases 3 – 8, the rotation in every case is so as to align  $\vec{B}_{\text{loop}}$  with  $\vec{B}_{\text{ext}}$  through the smallest possible angle.