

44. The total magnetic force on the loop L is

$$\vec{F}_B = i \oint_L (d\vec{L} \times \vec{B}) = i \left(\oint_L d\vec{L} \right) \times \vec{B} = 0 .$$

We note that $\oint_L d\vec{L} = 0$. If \vec{B} is not a constant, however, then the equality

$$\oint_L (d\vec{L} \times \vec{B}) = \left(\oint_L d\vec{L} \right) \times \vec{B}$$

is not necessarily valid, so \vec{F}_B is not always zero.