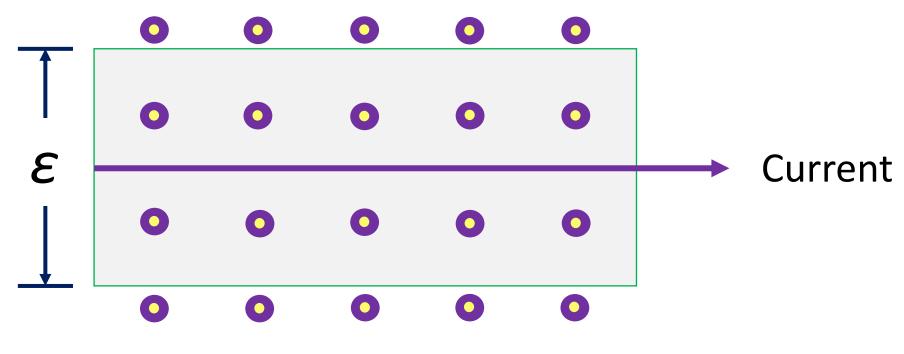
# Hall effect

$$V_H = -\left(\frac{1}{nq}\right)\frac{I_x B_z}{t}$$

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#### Hall effect



Magnetic field (out of paper)

#### Lets watch this video

Hall Effect - Explained and animated with 3d.

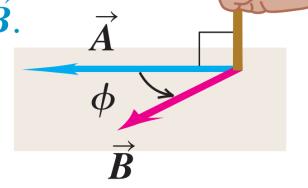
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## Right-hand rule

The vector product  $\vec{A} \times \vec{B}$  determined by the right-hand rule.

$$\vec{B} \times \vec{A} = -\vec{A} \times \vec{B}$$

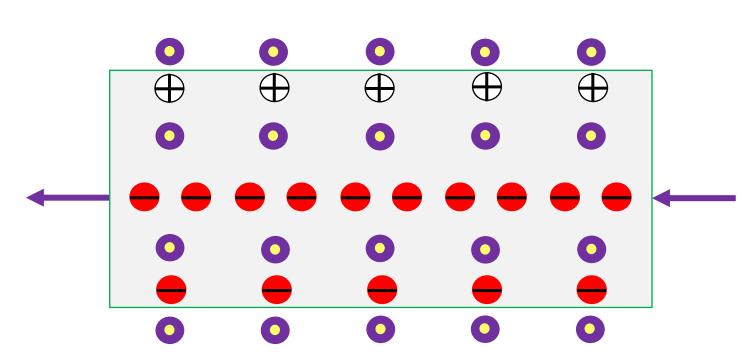
- 1) Place  $\vec{A}$  and  $\vec{B}$  tail to tail.
- Point fingers of right hand along  $\vec{A}$ , with palm facing  $\vec{B}$ .
- 3 Curl fingers toward  $\vec{B}$ .
- Thumb points in direction of  $\overrightarrow{A} \times \overrightarrow{B}$ .



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 $\vec{A} \times \vec{B}$ 

#### Magnetic force on moving electrons

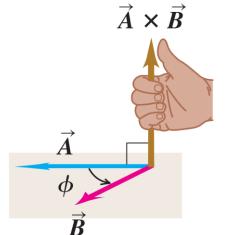


Magnetic field (out of paper)

$$e = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$$

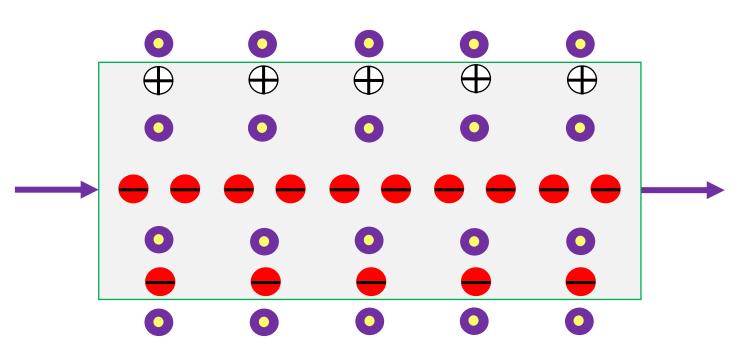
$$\mathbf{F} = -e(\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B})$$

#### Motion of electrons



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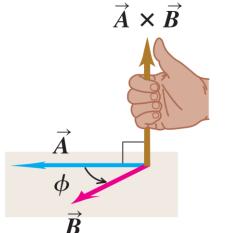


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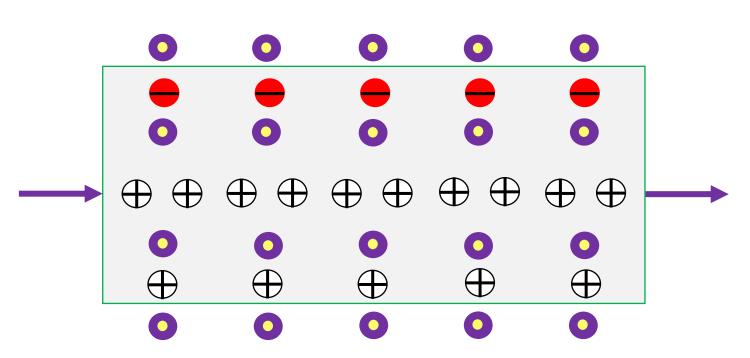
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#### Direction of current



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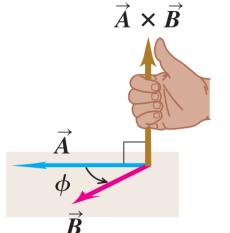


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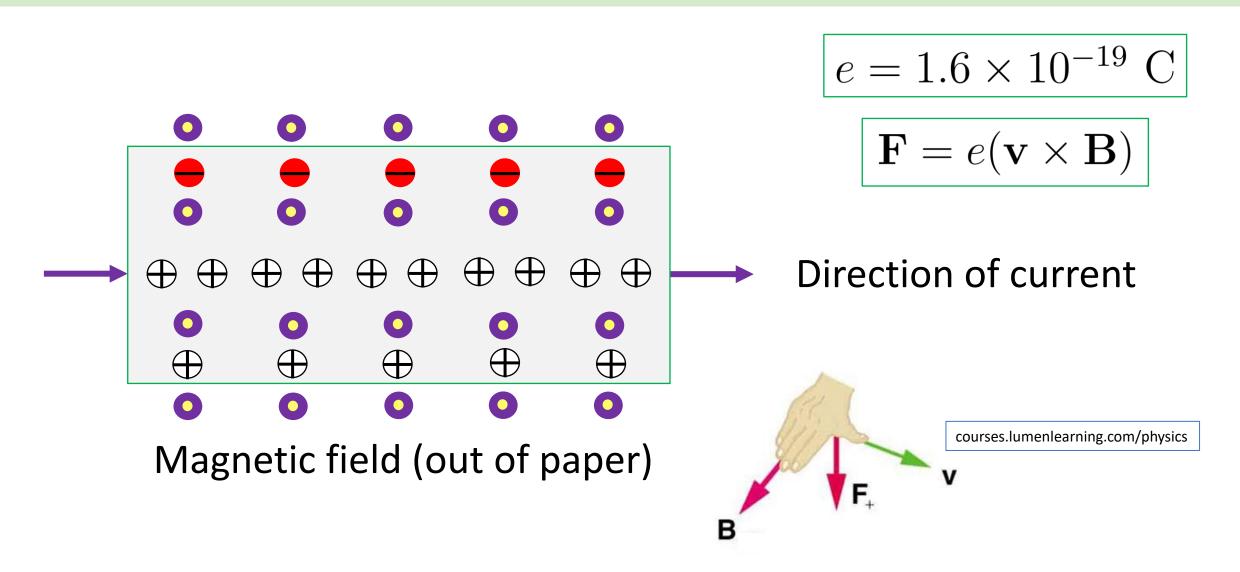
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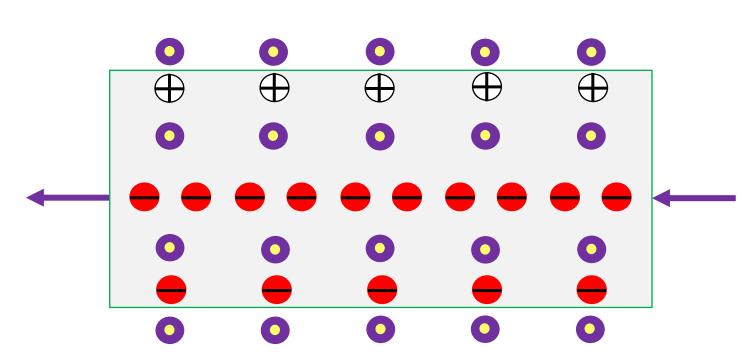


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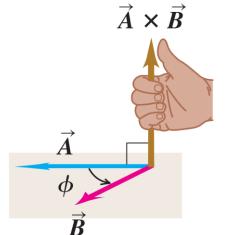


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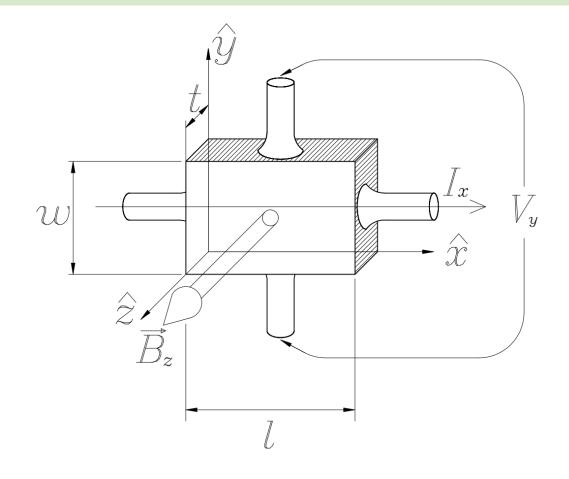
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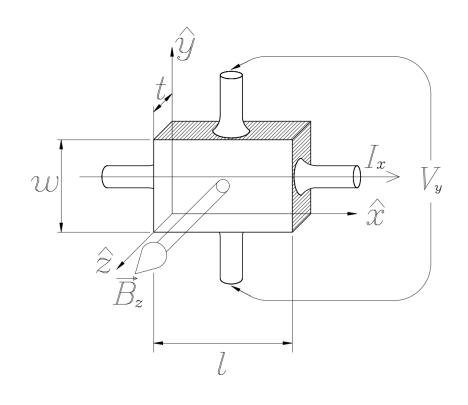


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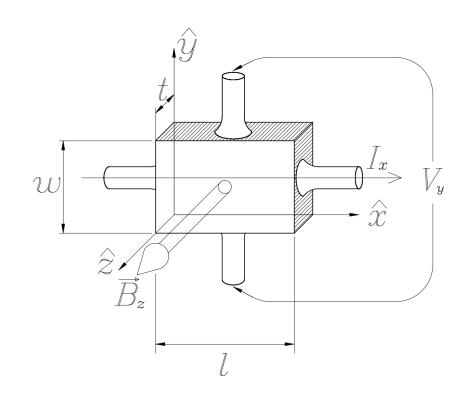
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Assume the conductor to have charge carrier of charge q (can be either positive or negative or both, but we take it to be of just one sign here), charge carrier number density n (i.e., number of carriers per unit volume), and charge carrier drift velocity  $v_x$  when a current  $I_x$  flows in the positive x direction.



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The charge carriers will experience a Lorentz force  $q(\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B})$  that will deflect them toward one side of the slab. The result of this deflection is to cause an accumulation of charges along one side of the slab which creates a transverse electric field  $E_y$  that counteracts the force of the magnetic field.

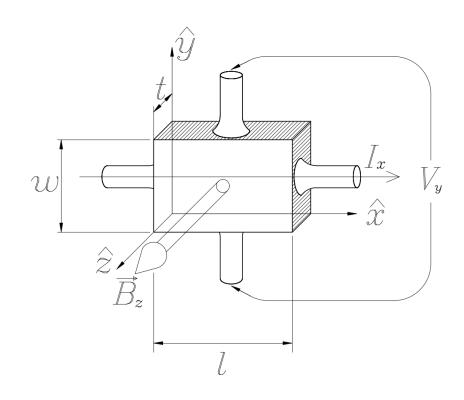


When steady state is reached, there will be no net flow of charge in the y direction, since the electrical and magnetic forces on the charge carriers in that direction must be balanced. Since the force of an electric field on a charge q is  $q\mathbf{E}$ , we have

$$q\mathbf{E} = q(\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B})$$

$$E_y = v_x B_z$$

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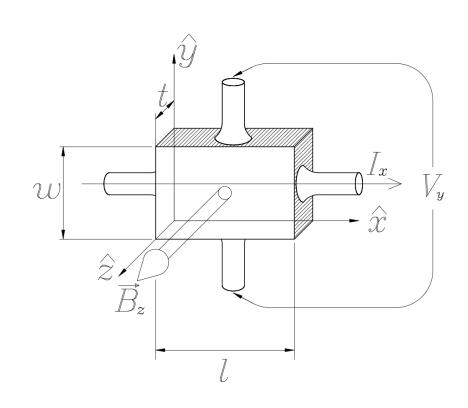


http://courses.washington.edu/phys431 /hall\_effect/hall\_effect.pdf The potential difference across the sample — the Hall voltage  $V_H$  — which is related to the Hall field by

$$V_H = -E_y w$$
$$= -v_x w B_z$$

The current  $I_x$  is related to the charge density nq and the drift velocity  $v_x$  as

$$I_x = nqv_x wt$$



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$$V_H = -\left(\frac{1}{nq}\right) \frac{I_x B_z}{t}$$

The Hall coefficient: 
$$R_H = \frac{1}{nq}$$

It is positive if the charge carriers are positive, and negative if the charge carriers are negative. In practice, the polarity of  $V_H$  determines the sign of the charge carriers.

### Assignments

- Discuss how the Hall effect could be used to obtain information on free charge density in a conductor. (Hint: Consider how drift velocity and current are related.)
- Can mobility of charge carriers can be determined from Hall effect? If yes, how?