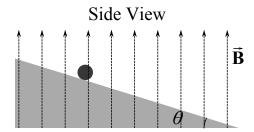
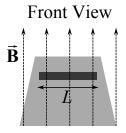
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## **Practical 6 Questions**

1. A conducting rod of length L and mass m slides freely down an inclined plane, as shown in the figure. The plane is inclined at an angle  $\theta$  from the horizontal. A uniform magnetic field of strength B acts in the positive z-direction. Determine the magnitude and the direction of the current that would have to be passed through the rod to hold it in position on the inclined plane.





- 2. A proton moving at speed v enters a region in space where a magnetic field given by uniform  $\vec{B}$  pointed along the negative z-axis. The velocity vector of the proton is at an angle  $\theta = 60^{\circ}$  with respect to the positive z-axis.
  - (a) Analyze the motion of the proton and describe its trajectory (in qualitative terms only).
  - (b) Calculate the radius, r, of the trajectory projected onto a plane perpendicular to the magnetic field (in the xy-plane).
  - (c) Calculate the period, T, and frequency, f, of the motion in that plane.
  - (d) Calculate the pitch of the motion (the distance traveled by the proton in the direction of the magnetic field in 1 period).