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- (a) Consider a semi-infinite solenoid of radius b situated along the z axis from  $-\infty$  to 0. It has n turns per unit length and a current  $I_1$ , running through the coil. Find the magnetic field  $B_z$  on the symmetry axis at any point z on the positive z axis.
- (b) In cylindrical coordinates, derive an expression for the radial component of the magnetic field,  $B_{\rho}$ , a height z above the top of the coil and a distance a away from the z axis. Work in the limit a << b.
- (c) Now consider a ring of current  $I_2$  and radius a positioned at height +z, shown as a dotted circle in the figure. The direction of  $I_2$  is the same as  $I_1$ . Calculate the magnitude of the force on this ring in terms of a,  $I_2$ , and  $B_{\rho}$ . What is the direction of this force?
- (d) Consider a diamagnetic substance suspended by a spring just above the solenoid along the z axis. With no current in the solenoid, the sample is at rest. Next, the current is turned on in the solenoid. What happens to the sample on the spring? Justify your answer.

