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The flux freezing condition is a direct consequence of the induction equation in an ideal Magnetohydrodynamic setup.

$$\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} = \nabla \times (\vec{u} \times \vec{B})$$

Assuming that time taken for redistribution of \vec{u} , \vec{B} field is much faster than the time taken to move the magnets, we claim that the system goes through several equilibrium states quasistatically.

Thus,
$$\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} = 0 = \nabla \times (\vec{u} \times \vec{B}).$$

Which is trivially solved by $\vec{u} \times \vec{B} = 0$.

Additionally in the rest frame of the fluid parcel, $\vec{j} = \sigma \vec{E}$.

For a perfect conductor, \vec{E} must be zero in the rest frame of the fluid parcel.

This implies that \vec{u} must not be perpendicular to \vec{B} , as that would induce an electric field leading to infinite currents.

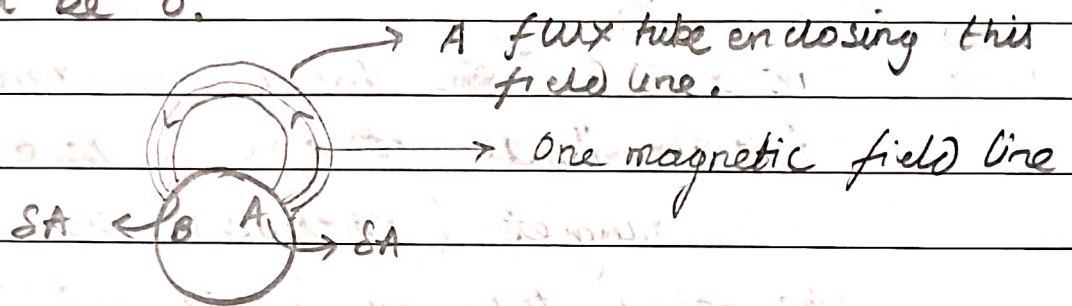
$$\therefore \vec{u} \parallel \vec{B}$$

$u_{||}$ → velocity parallel to \vec{B}

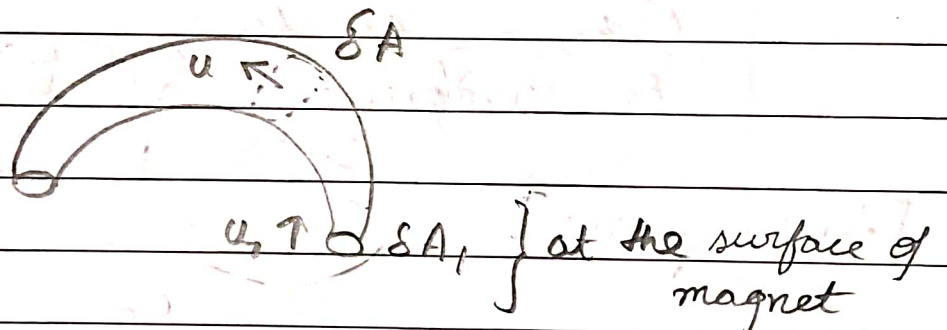
u_{\perp} → velocity perpendicular to \vec{B}

Claim:

The velocity field along each field line originating and terminating on a magnet must be 0.



Since $u_{\perp} = 0$, we can model this surface like a pipe.



We write the continuity eqn for an incompressible fluid →

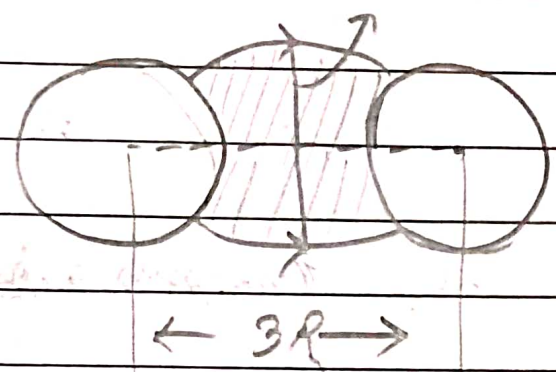
$$u_{\perp} \delta A = u_{\perp} \delta A_1 = \text{rate of change of flux tube volume.}$$

But from boundary condition of fluid on the magnet's surface, $u_{\perp} = 0$.

∴ VOLUME OF EVERY FLUX TUBE IS CONSTANT.

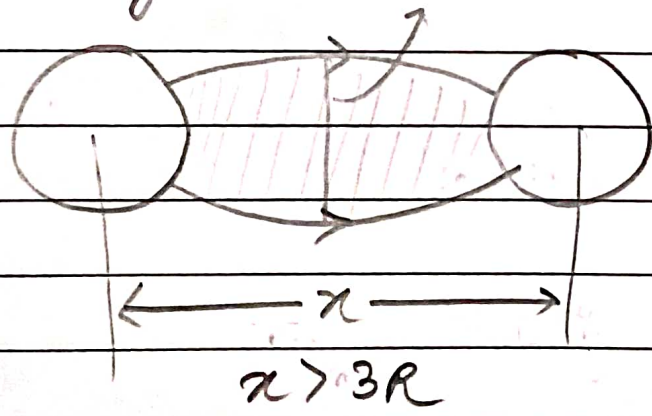
Let us consider a flux tube, which is axisymmetric starting and termination from one magnet to other.

cross section = A_0 (say)



On stretching →

cross section = A

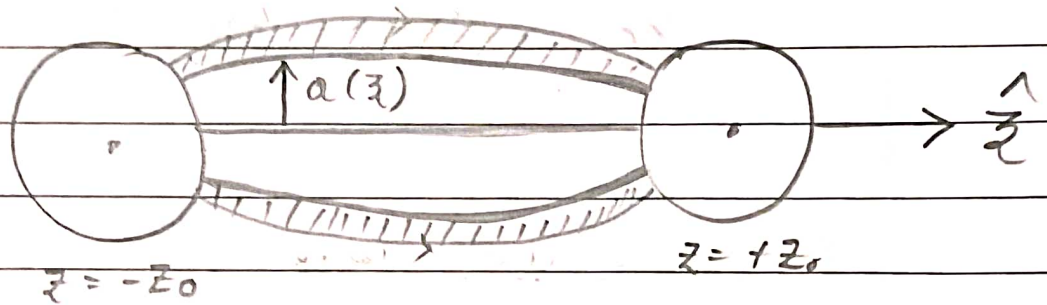


To conserve the volume enclosed, the cross section of the tubes decrease. But by definition they have the same flux through them as before, →

So THE MAGNETIC FIELD STRENGTH INCREASES.

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let V be the volume of an axisymmetric flux tube with a flux ϕ .



$a(\phi, z) \rightarrow$ boundary of the flux tube with flux ϕ .

$$\phi = \int_0^a B_z(a, z) 2\pi a da$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial a} \Big|_z = 2\pi a B_z(a, z) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Since

Volume of flux tube \rightarrow

$$V = \pi \int_{-z_0}^{+z_0} a^2 dz, \quad \text{where } \pm z_0 \text{ are the ends of the flux tube.}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial V}{\partial \phi} = 2\pi \int_{-z_0}^{+z_0} a \frac{\partial a}{\partial \phi} \Big|_z dz$$

using (1) $\rightarrow \frac{\partial V}{\partial \phi} = 2\pi \int_{-z_0}^{+z_0} a / 2\pi a B_z(a, z) dz$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial V}{\partial \phi} = \int_{-z_0}^{+z_0} \frac{d\bar{z}}{B_z(a, \bar{z})}$$

We claim that once this $\frac{\partial V}{\partial \phi}$ or $\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial V}$ is determined by the initial condition, it will not vary by varying the magnet's position.

This is because, the volume of flux tube containing flux ϕ can't change.

$V(\phi)$ is invariant

$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial V}{\partial \phi}$ is also invariant.

★ ★ To calculate the force, we can calculate the rate of work done by ext. agent in increasing the separation.

This work done is stored as field energy and mutual interaction energy.

We will estimate the stored field energy by integrating $\frac{B^2}{2\mu_0}$ over the entire volume.

Upon stretching by large L , the field strength along and near the axis would be very high and we can neglect the contribution of far-field in the total field energy.

We also approximate that after stretching, $B_z(a, z)$ along a field line does not vary with z .

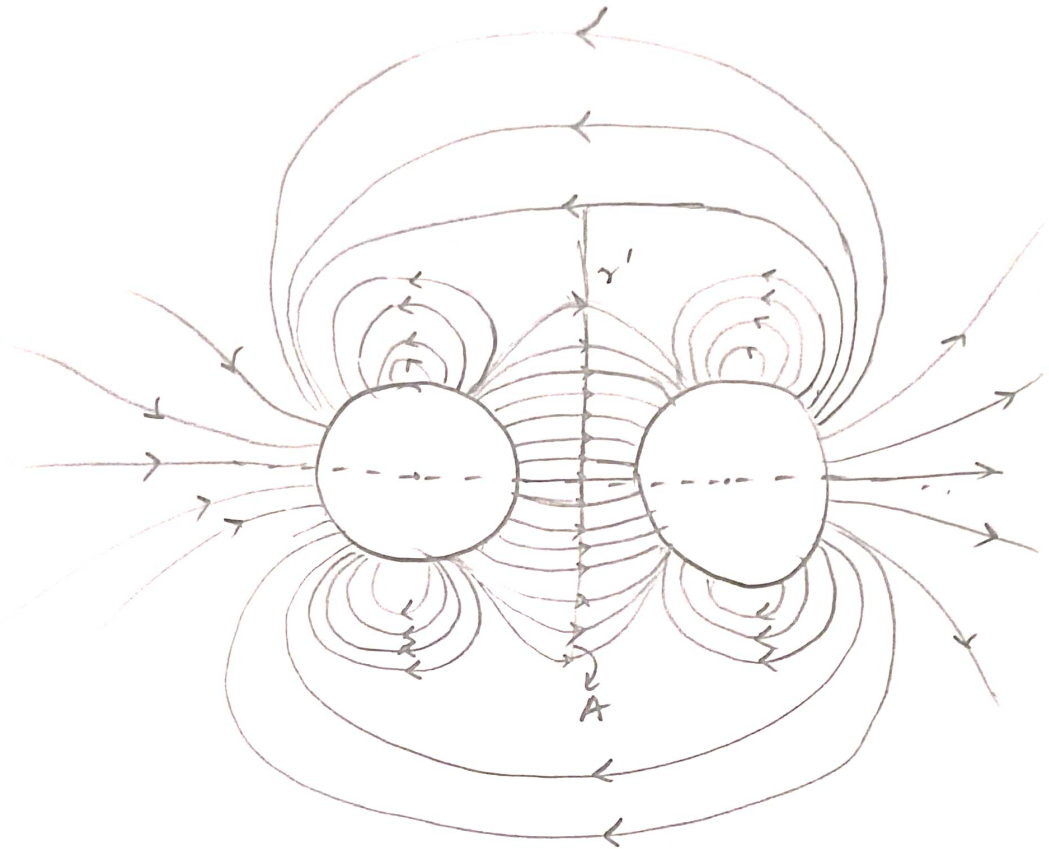
$$\therefore \int_{-L/2}^{+L/2} \frac{dz}{B_z(a, z)} \approx \frac{L}{B_z(a)} \approx \frac{dV}{d\phi}$$

$$\text{or } B_z(a) \approx L \frac{d\phi}{dV}$$

* We can neglect the radial contribution of the magnetic field.

$$B(a) = L \frac{d\phi}{dV} \text{ along a field line}$$

$$r = a(z)$$



SCHMATIC DIAGRAM OF THE
FIELD LINES IN INITIAL
CONDITION.

z' is the point on $z=0$ plane,
beyond which B_z changes sign.

ϕ at that point

$$\sim \frac{\mu_0 m}{R} \times C \quad \left\{ C \equiv \text{dimensionless constant} \right\}$$

$$\frac{d\phi}{dv} \approx \frac{\phi}{v} \approx C' \frac{\mu_0 m}{R^4}$$

field energy \rightarrow

$$U = \frac{L}{2\mu_0} \int_V B^2(a) dV$$

We do the integral over the volume of all flux tubes, but neglect the ones which went stretched axially.

$$\therefore U = \frac{L^2}{2\mu_0} \int_V \left(\frac{d\phi}{dV} \right)^2 dV$$

The integral can be determined completely from the initial conditions.

Since we only want the dependency of U with L, m, R , we estimate

$$\int_V \left(\frac{d\phi}{dV} \right)^2 dV \approx \left(\frac{\mu_0^2 m^2}{R^8} \times R^3 \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow U = \frac{C \mu_0^2 L m^2}{R^5}$$

$$|F| = \left| \frac{dU}{dL} \right| = \frac{C' \mu_0^2 L m^2}{R^5}$$

So upto a constant C' determined from initial condition. \rightarrow

$$F = \frac{C' \mu_0^2 m^2}{R^5} L$$