

Another mathematical process

In a magnetic field, the force working on a particle, F_p , is expressed by the following equation¹,

$$F_p = (\chi_p / \mu_0) V \mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{B} \quad (1)$$

And the x-component of $\mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{B}$ can be written by,

$$(\mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{B})_x = B_x(\partial B_x / \partial x) + B_y(\partial B_x / \partial y) + B_z(\partial B_x / \partial z) \quad (2)$$

Magnetic field property is given by Maxwell's equation as follows,

$$\text{rot} \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{j} + \partial \mathbf{D} / \partial t, \quad (3)$$

where \mathbf{H} is magnetic field. In our experimental system, the electric current density, \mathbf{j} , and the time derivative of electric flux density, $\partial \mathbf{D} / \partial t$, are zero. Hence, the upper equation is written as,

$$\text{rot} \mathbf{H} = (\partial H_z / \partial y - \partial H_y / \partial z, \partial H_x / \partial z - \partial H_z / \partial x, \partial H_y / \partial x - \partial H_x / \partial y) = \mathbf{0}. \quad (4)$$

Here, notice y and z-component of $\text{rot} \mathbf{H}$. Equation 4 can be rewritten as follows,

$$\partial B_x / \partial z = \partial B_z / \partial x, \quad \partial B_x / \partial y = \partial B_y / \partial x, \quad (5)$$

since the magnetic flux density, \mathbf{B} , is given by,

$$\mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \mathbf{H} + \mathbf{M} = \mu_0 (1 + \chi) \mathbf{H} \quad (6)$$

where μ_0 and χ are the vacuum magnetic permeability and the magnetic susceptibility, respectively, and these have no anisotropy. Therefore, substitution of eq.5 into eq.2 yields

$$(\mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{B})_x = B_x(\partial B_x / \partial x) + B_y(\partial B_y / \partial x) + B_z(\partial B_z / \partial x) \quad (7)$$

The terms $B_y(\partial B_y / \partial x)$ and $B_z(\partial B_z / \partial x)$ appear in $(\mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{B})_x$. Figure 1 shows the comparison between the value of $B_y(\partial B_y / \partial x)$ and $B_z(\partial B_z / \partial x)$ calculated for the magnetic flux density simulated by SUPER MOMENT soft ware. The system of this simulation was the same one expressed in the text. The

solid line shows $B_y(\partial B_y/\partial x)$ and the circle dots represent $B_z(\partial B_z/\partial x)$. They completely agreed with each other.

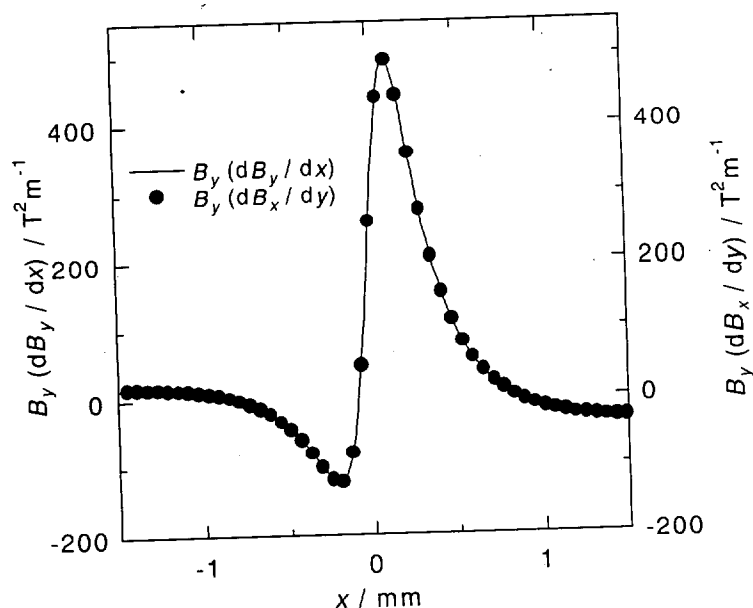


Figure 1 The comparison between $B_y(\partial B_y/\partial x)$ and $B_z(\partial B_z/\partial x)$ around the edges of the pair of magnets whose gap was kept 400 μm . They completely agreed with each other.

Reference

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