



# COMPUTATIONAL ASTROPHYSICS

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# Computational Astrophysics

## 08. Final Equations of the MHD

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# MHD Equations

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\rho \vec{v}) = 0$$

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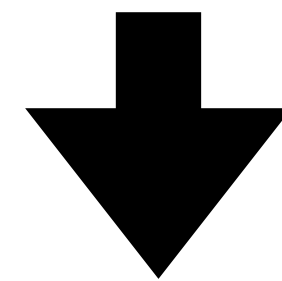
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Identity :  $\vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) = -(\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) \times \vec{a} = \vec{b}(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c}) - \vec{c}(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})$

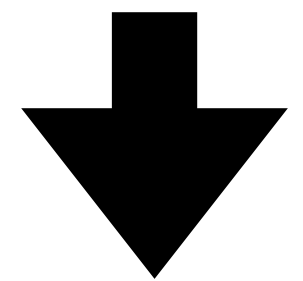
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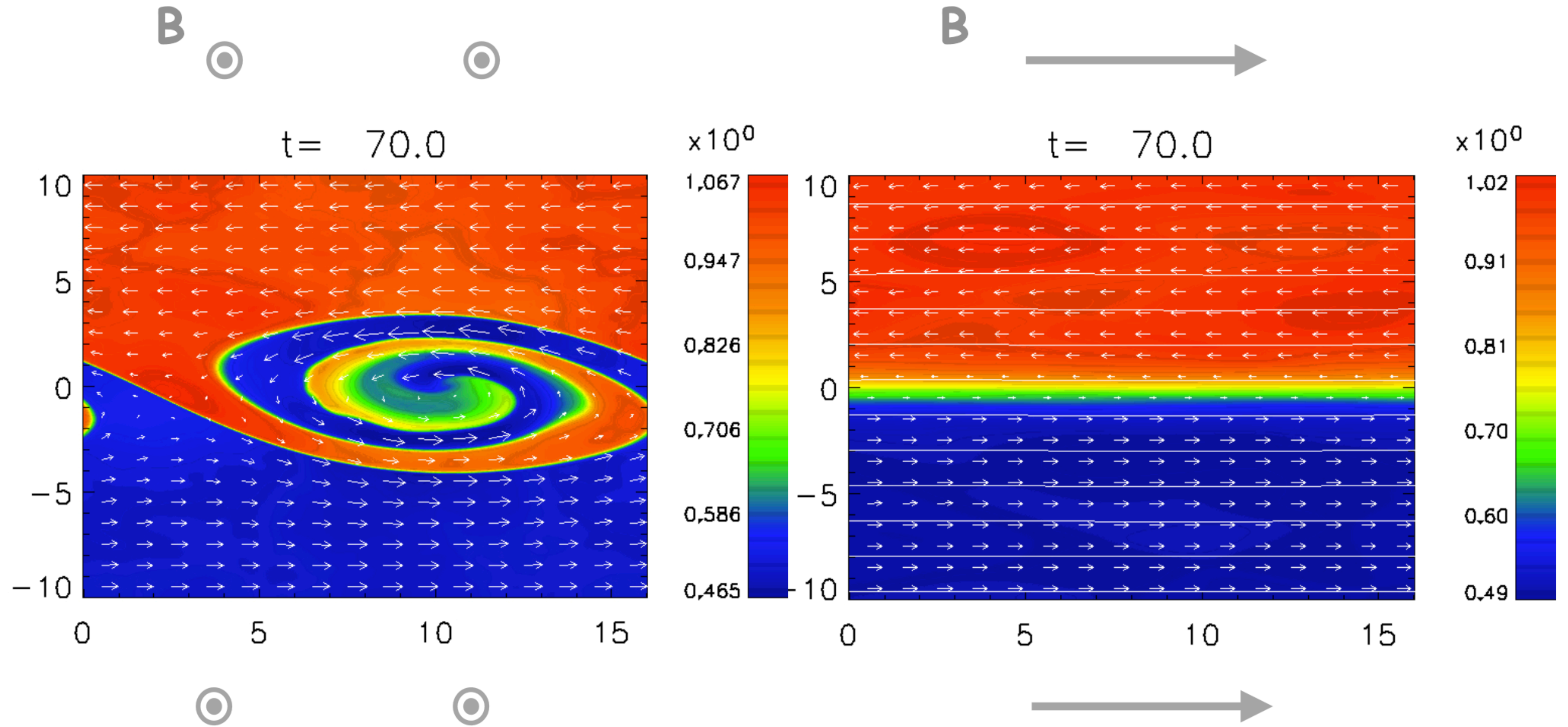


Magnetic  
pressure



Magnetic  
tension

# Effect of Magnetic Tension





# Energy Equation



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Using the Ampere's law,  $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J}$ , we have

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Finally, the complete set of  
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