

Q) The system is composed by a non-conducting cylindrical surface of height  $h$  and radius  $a$ , over which there is a net charge  $Q$  uniformly distributed with surface density  $\sigma = \frac{Q}{2\pi ah}$ . The cylindrical

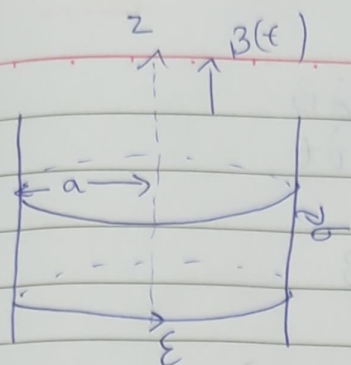
surface is free to rotate around its axis without friction and has moment of Inertia  $I$  per unit length. The system is at rest in the presence of an external uniform magnetic field  $B_{ext}$ , parallel to the system axis. Assume that boundary effects can be neglected.

Starting at time  $t=0$ , the external magnetic field is reduced from its initial value  $B_{ext}=B_0$  to zero, at a time according to some temporal law  $B_{ext} = B_{ext}(t)$ .

(a) Initially assuming that field generated by the motion of the charges on the cylinder is negligible, evaluate the angular velocity  $\omega = \omega(t)$  of the cylinder as a function of time during the decay of  $B_{ext}$ , and the corresponding mechanical angular momentum  $L_c$  of the cylinder.

(b) ~~Is there loss of flux why does the~~

~~Why~~ Does the law of conservation of angular momentum not hold in this case? ~~Why~~



Ans:-  $E_{ind} \Rightarrow$  Electric field induced ~~exists~~  
 We use cylindrical co-ordinates.  $E_{ind}$  will have azimuthal symmetry,  $E_{ind} = E_{\phi}(r, t) \hat{\phi}$ .

Applying Faraday's law for a circle of radius  $r$ :-

$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} = - \frac{d\Phi_B}{dt} \quad (E \cdot 2\pi r = \pi r^2 \times \frac{dB}{dt})$$

On an infinitesimal surface element of cylinder surface  $dS = a d\phi dz$  the induced electric field exerts a force

$$d\vec{f} = \hat{\phi} df = \hat{\phi} \sigma E_{\phi}(r=a) dS = -\hat{\phi} \sigma a \frac{dB}{dt} dS$$

Torque  $d\tau = \hat{z} a df$

$$= -\hat{z} \sigma \frac{a^2}{2} \frac{dB}{dt} dS$$

$$\tau = \hat{z} \int -\sigma \frac{a^2}{2} \frac{dB}{dt} dS =$$

$$= \int_0^h \int_0^{2\pi} -\sigma \frac{a^2}{2} \frac{dB}{dt} a \times d\phi dz$$

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$$= -\pi a^3 h \sigma \frac{dB}{dt}$$



$$I \frac{dw}{dt} = \tau = -\pi a^3 h \sigma \frac{dB}{dt}$$

$$\int_0^w I dw = \int_{B_0}^0 -\pi a^3 h \sigma dB$$

$$I w = -\pi a^3 h \sigma (0 - B_0)$$

$$w =$$

$$w = \frac{\pi a^3 h B_0 \times \frac{Q}{2\pi a h}}{I}$$

$$w = \frac{a^2 Q B_0}{2I}$$

$$L_c = I w = \frac{a^2 Q B_0}{2}$$

(b) We use the theorem: Whenever there is a flow of energy in any circumstance at all (field energy or any other kind of energy), the energy flowing through a unit area per unit time, when multiplied by  $1/c^2$ , is equal to the momentum per unit volume in the space.

We know that energy through unit area per unit time is the Poynting vector  $S$ ,  $= \vec{E} \times \vec{B}$ .  $\therefore$  The momentum per unit volume is  $\frac{\vec{E} \times \vec{B}}{c^2}$ . In this example

$E$  is from the charges and  $B$  is from  $B_0$ . The energy is flowing in circles inside the cylinder along  $\vec{E} \times \vec{B}$  and,  $\therefore$  momentum is stored in the space. When  $B$  becomes 0, all the momentum stored in the field gets converted to mechanical momentum. Similarly, we can associate

angular momentum to be stored in the field as  $\vec{L} = \vec{r} \times \vec{p}$ . Hence, the initial angular momentum stored in the field gets converted to mechanical momentum -um, conserving the conservation of angular momentum.