

Momentum

It is fairly easy to find situations where Newton's Third Law appears not to hold in magnetism.



Newton's Third Law is just a statement of the pairwise conservation of momentum

$$\vec{F}_{12} = -\vec{F}_{21}$$

$$\frac{d\vec{p}_{12}}{dt} + \frac{d\vec{p}_{21}}{dt} = 0$$

The electromagnetic field must conserve momentum or the universe is in big trouble. If the momentum doesn't reside with the particles, it must reside in the fields.

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We would like to write a continuity equation for momentum. The change in momentum of an object would then be the total momentum flowing through the surface of the object.

We will use T for the momentum flux -

$$T = \frac{\text{momentum}}{\text{area} \cdot \text{time}}$$

$$\frac{dp}{dt} = \int_S T da = \text{Force}$$

Therefore the force on a object is the integral of the momentum flux over the surface.

Now comes the problem, momentum is a vector quantity so we need a x momentum flux, a y momentum flux, and a z momentum flux.

Flux itself is a vector quantity in that it has direction, so we actually need the x momentum crossing an area $dA \hat{x}$ per unit time.

So our flux must have two components

$$T_{xx} = \frac{x\text{-momentum}}{x\text{-Area} \cdot \text{time}}$$

$$T_{yx} = \frac{y\text{-momentum}}{x\text{ Area} \cdot \text{time}}$$

To get the momentum per time flowing through a surface, multiple T by the area.

So if T is constant, to get the z-momentum flowing through the surface $A_y \hat{y}$ in the x-z plane we would calculate

$$F_z = \frac{dp_z}{dt} = T_{zy} A_y$$

or if we wanted the other components

$$F_x = \frac{dp_x}{dt} = T_{xy} A_y$$

$$F_y = \frac{dp_y}{dt} = T_{yy} A_y$$

The notation suggests matrix multiplication

$$\vec{F} = \begin{pmatrix} F_x \\ F_y \\ F_z \end{pmatrix} = \frac{d\vec{P}}{dt} = \begin{pmatrix} T_{xx} & T_{xy} & T_{xz} \\ T_{yx} & T_{yy} & T_{yz} \\ T_{zx} & T_{zy} & T_{zz} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ A_y \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

This would allow us to write the momentum per unit time flowing through an arbitrary area as

$$\vec{F} = \frac{d\vec{P}}{dt} = \begin{pmatrix} T_{xx} & T_{xy} & T_{xz} \\ T_{yx} & T_{yy} & T_{yz} \\ T_{zx} & T_{zy} & T_{zz} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} An_x \\ An_y \\ An_z \end{pmatrix}$$

\equiv $\underline{\underline{T}}$ \equiv $A \hat{n}$
 \equiv \vec{A}

Stress Tensor ($\underline{\underline{T}}$)

$$\vec{F} = \frac{d\vec{P}}{dt} = \underline{\underline{T}} \cdot \vec{A}$$

Note, the dot product yields a vector

While we're working on notation, let

\vec{T}_x be the flux of

x-momentum.

$$\vec{T}_x = (T_{xx}, T_{xy}, T_{xz})$$

If all is well, we will be able to write the divergence this as the time rate of change of the x-momentum density ρ_x

$$\frac{\partial \rho_x}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \vec{T}_x = 0$$

and
$$\frac{\partial \rho_y}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \vec{T}_y = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho_z}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \vec{T}_z = 0$$

Note by convention we will actually have a negative sign

Or more compactly,

$$\frac{\partial \vec{\rho}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \vec{T} = 0$$

$$\nabla \cdot \underline{\underline{T}} = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) \begin{pmatrix} T_{xx} & T_{xy} & T_{xz} \\ T_{yx} & T_{yy} & T_{yz} \\ T_{zx} & T_{zy} & T_{zz} \end{pmatrix} \quad (6)$$

Ok, let's figure out what $\underline{\underline{T}}$ is for the electromagnetic field.

Let the total momentum of an isolated system be separated into the mechanical momentum of the particles and any momentum associated with the fields

$$\vec{P} = \vec{P}_{\text{mech}} + \vec{P}_{\text{em}}$$

\vec{P}_{mech} changes because the fields exerts forces on the charges. Let ρ be the charge density of the system. The force per unit volume acting on the charges is then

$$\vec{f} = \rho (\vec{E} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B}) = \rho \vec{E} + \vec{J} \times \vec{B}$$

The total force and therefore the time rate of change of the mechanical momentum is

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$$\vec{F} = \int \vec{f} d\tau = \frac{d\vec{P}_{\text{mech}}}{dt} = \int_V (\rho \vec{E} + \vec{J} \times \vec{B}) d\tau$$

As before, eliminate ρ, \vec{J} using Maxwell's eqns

$$\rho = \epsilon_0 \nabla \cdot \vec{E}$$

$$\vec{J} = \frac{\nabla \times \vec{B}}{\mu_0} - \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$$

$$\rho \vec{E} + \vec{J} \times \vec{B} = \epsilon_0 \vec{E} (\nabla \cdot \vec{E}) + \frac{1}{\mu_0} (\nabla \times \vec{B}) \times \vec{B} - \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} \times \vec{B}$$

Work on this term by term

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\vec{E} \times \vec{B}) = \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} \times \vec{B} + \vec{E} \times \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$$

Faraday's Law

$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$$

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

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$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} \times \vec{B} = \vec{E} \times (\nabla \times \vec{E}) + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\vec{E} \times \vec{B})$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{f} = \rho \vec{E} + \vec{J} \times \vec{B} &= \epsilon_0 (\nabla \cdot \vec{E}) \vec{E} - \frac{1}{\mu_0} \vec{B} \times (\nabla \times \vec{B}) \\ &\quad - \epsilon_0 \vec{E} \times (\nabla \times \vec{E}) - \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\vec{E} \times \vec{B}) \end{aligned}$$

where I used $(\nabla \times \vec{B}) \times \vec{B} = -\vec{B} \times (\nabla \times \vec{B})$

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Vector identity -

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla (\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B}) &= \vec{A} \times (\nabla \times \vec{B}) + \vec{B} \times (\nabla \times \vec{A}) \\ &\quad + (\vec{A} \cdot \nabla) \vec{B} + (\vec{B} \cdot \nabla) \vec{A} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Let } \vec{A} \rightarrow \vec{E}, \vec{B} \rightarrow \vec{E}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla E^2 &= \vec{E} \times (\nabla \times \vec{E}) + \vec{E} \times (\nabla \times \vec{E}) + (\vec{E} \cdot \nabla) \vec{E} \\ &\quad + (\vec{E} \cdot \nabla) \vec{E} \end{aligned}$$

$$= 2 \vec{E} \times (\nabla \times \vec{E}) + 2 (\vec{E} \cdot \nabla) \vec{E}$$

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$$\vec{E} \times (\nabla \times \vec{E}) = \frac{1}{2} \nabla E^2 - (\vec{E} \cdot \nabla) \vec{E}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{f} &= \epsilon_0 (\nabla \cdot \vec{E}) \vec{E} - \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 \nabla E^2 + \epsilon_0 (\vec{E} \cdot \nabla) \vec{E} \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2\mu_0} \nabla B^2 + \frac{1}{\mu_0} (\vec{B} \cdot \nabla) \vec{B} \\ &\quad - \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\vec{E} \times \vec{B}) \end{aligned}$$

Collect stuff that sort looks the same and
using $\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{f} &= \epsilon_0 \left((\nabla \cdot \vec{E}) \vec{E} + (\vec{E} \cdot \nabla) \vec{E} \right) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\mu_0} \left((\nabla \cdot \vec{B}) \vec{B} + (\vec{B} \cdot \nabla) \vec{B} \right) \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2} \nabla \left(\epsilon_0 E^2 + \frac{1}{\mu_0} B^2 \right) \\ &\quad - \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\vec{E} \times \vec{B}) \end{aligned}$$

The third term is the gradient of the energy density and the fourth term is related to the time rate of change of \vec{S} .

The first ~~two~~ ^{three} terms are $\underline{\underline{T}}$

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Maxwell Stress Tensor ($\underline{\underline{T}}$)

$$T_{ij} = \epsilon_0 \left(E_i E_j - \frac{1}{2} \delta_{ij} E^2 \right) + \frac{1}{\mu_0} \left(B_i B_j - \frac{1}{2} \delta_{ij} B^2 \right)$$

Kronecker Delta

$$\delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 0 & i \neq j \\ 1 & i = j \end{cases}$$

For example,

$$\begin{aligned} T_{xx} &= \epsilon_0 \left(E_x^2 - \frac{1}{2} E^2 \right) + \frac{1}{\mu_0} \left(B_x^2 - \frac{1}{2} B^2 \right) \\ &= \epsilon_0 \left(\frac{1}{2} E_x^2 - \frac{1}{2} E_y^2 - \frac{1}{2} E_z^2 \right) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\mu_0} \left(\frac{1}{2} B_x^2 - \frac{1}{2} B_y^2 - \frac{1}{2} B_z^2 \right) \end{aligned}$$

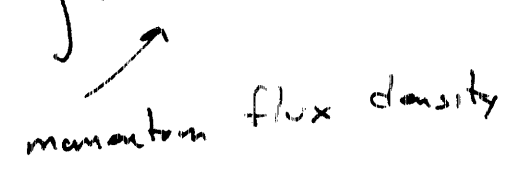
$$T_{xy} = \epsilon_0 E_x E_y + \frac{1}{\mu_0} B_x B_y$$

In terms of \vec{T}

$$\vec{f} = \nabla \cdot \vec{T} - \epsilon_0 \mu_0 \frac{\partial \vec{S}}{\partial t}$$

The total force on the volume V is

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{F} &= \int_V \vec{f} d\tau = \int_V \nabla \cdot \vec{T} d\tau - \epsilon_0 \mu_0 \frac{d}{dt} \int_V \vec{S} d\tau \\ &= \frac{d \vec{p}_{mech}}{dt} = - \frac{d \vec{p}_{em}}{dt} - \int_S \vec{P} \cdot d\vec{a} \end{aligned}$$



momentum flux density

Comparing terms - The momentum flux density out of the surface S is $-\vec{T}$.

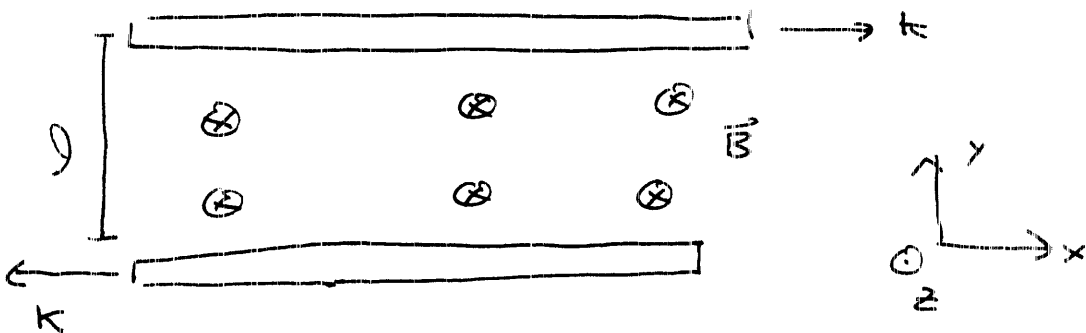
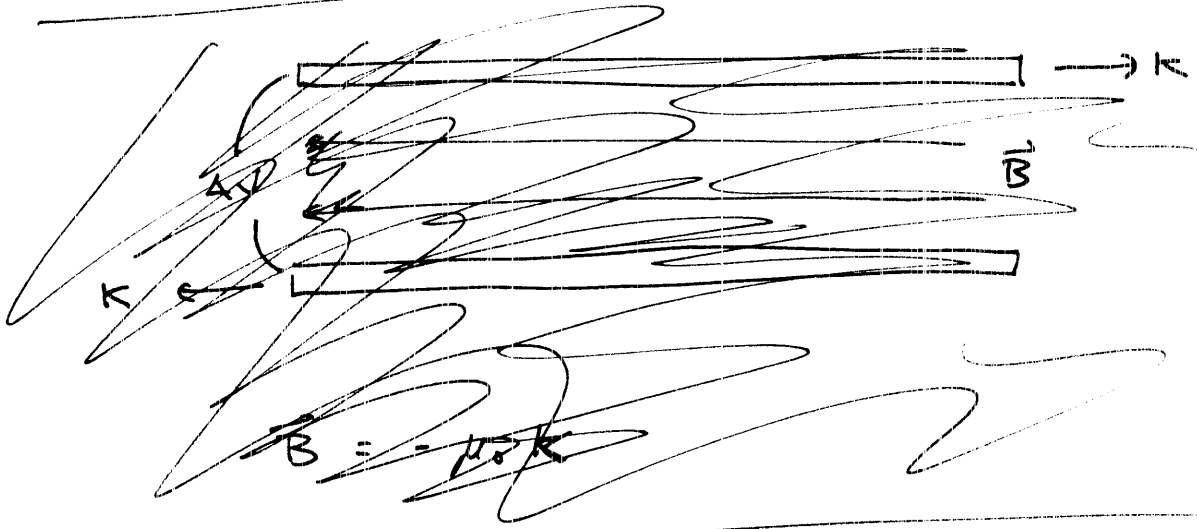
The momentum density \vec{p}_{em} associated with the fields is

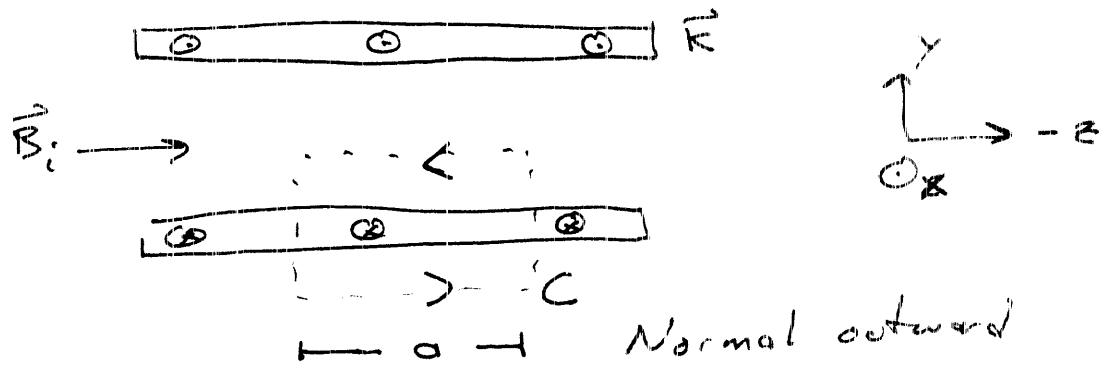
$$\vec{p}_{em} = \epsilon_0 \mu_0 \vec{S}$$

The continuity eqn for momentum is

$$\frac{d}{dt} (\vec{P}_{\text{mech}} + \vec{P}_{\text{em}}) = \nabla \cdot \vec{T}$$

Ex Compute momentum per unit area between two current sheets carrying current K held at potential difference ΔV



End View

$$I_{enc} = -aK$$

$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = -B_i a = \mu_0 I_{enc} = -aK\mu_0$$

$$\vec{B}_i = -\mu_0 K \hat{z}$$

The electric field is $\vec{E} = \frac{V}{d} \hat{y}$

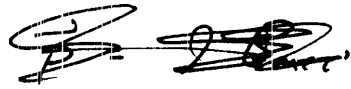
The Poynting vector is then

$$\vec{S} = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \vec{E} \times \vec{B} = -\frac{VK}{d} \hat{y} \times \hat{z}$$

$$\vec{S} = -\frac{VK}{d} \hat{x}$$

The momentum density $\vec{p}_{em} = -\mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{VK}{d} \hat{x}$

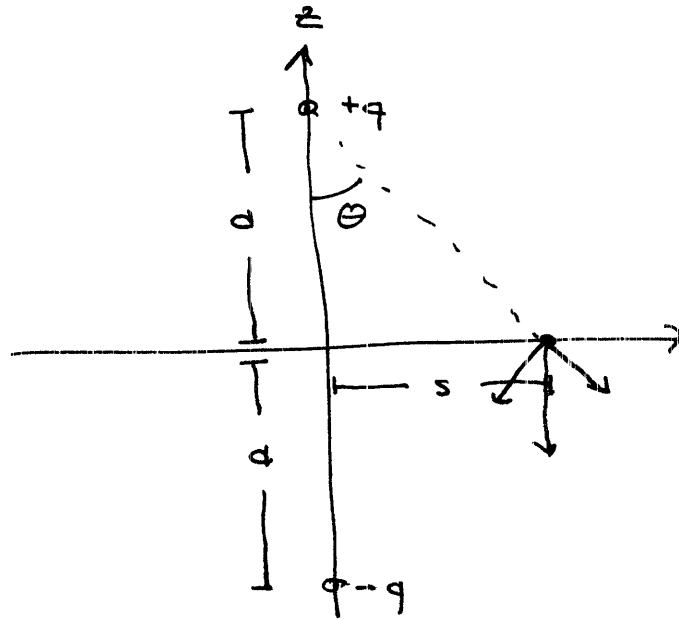
The momentum per unit area is



$$\vec{P} = \int \vec{P}_{em} = -\mu_0 \epsilon_0 V K \hat{x}$$

Note, this is crazy since the system is at rest. This momentum is balanced by a momentum associated with the current that is due to relativity. Note, for normal current speeds relativity could be important because $\mu_0 \epsilon_0$ is so small.

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$$\vec{E} = -\frac{2kq}{(a^2+s^2)} \cdot \frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2+s^2}} \hat{z}$$

↖ $\cos \theta$

$$\vec{F} = \frac{-qa \hat{z}}{2\pi\epsilon_0 (a^2+s^2)^{3/2}}$$

The force on the +q charge is found by integrating \vec{T} over the bounding surface with outward surface normal $\hat{n} = -\hat{z}$.

The force is obviously in the $-\hat{z}$ direction

$$\vec{F} = -\hat{z} \int_{\text{plane}} T_{zz} da$$

↖
from normal

$$T_{zz} = \epsilon_0 \left(E_z^2 - \frac{1}{2} E^2 \right) + \frac{1}{\mu_0} \left(B_z^2 - \frac{1}{2} B^2 \right)$$

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$E^2 = E_z^2$ in this case

$$T_{zz} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E_z^2 = \frac{q^2 a^2}{8\pi^2 \epsilon_0 (a^2 + s^2)^3}$$

$$\vec{F}_z = -\hat{z} \int_{\text{plane}} T_{zz} ds s d\phi$$

$$= -\hat{z} \frac{q^2 a^2}{8\pi^2 \epsilon_0} \underbrace{\int_0^{2\pi} d\phi}_{2\pi} \underbrace{\int_0^{\infty} \frac{s}{(a^2 + s^2)^3}}_{\frac{1}{4a^4}}$$

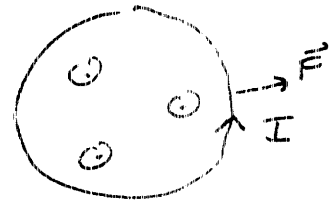
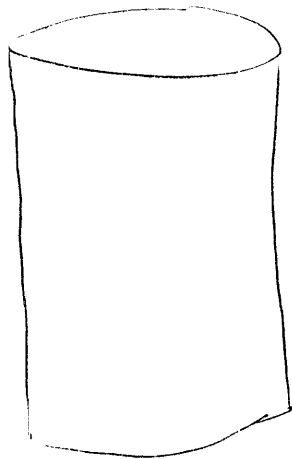
$$\vec{F} = \frac{-\hat{z} q^2}{16\pi \epsilon_0 a^2} = \frac{q^2}{4\pi \epsilon_0 (2a)^2} (-\hat{z})$$

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Force in Solenoid

$$\vec{B} = B_0 \hat{z}$$

$$B_0 = \mu_0 n I$$
$$= \mu_0 K$$



$$T_{ij} = \epsilon_0 \left(E_i E_j - \frac{1}{2} \delta_{ij} E^2 \right) + \frac{1}{\mu_0} \left(B_i B_j - \frac{1}{2} \delta_{ij} B^2 \right)$$

$$T_{xx} = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \left(\underset{0}{B_x B_x} - \frac{1}{2} \delta_{ij} B^2 \right) = -\frac{B_0^2}{2\mu_0} = T_{yy}$$

$$T_{zz} = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \left(B_z^2 - \frac{1}{2} B^2 \right) = \frac{B_0^2}{2\mu_0}$$

$$T_{xy} = 0 = T_{xz} \dots$$

$$\underline{T} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{B_0^2}{2\mu_0} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{B_0^2}{2\mu_0} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{B_0^2}{2\mu_0} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underline{F} = \int_S \underline{T} \cdot d\vec{a}$$

The outward normal for the universe outside the solenoid is $-\hat{S}$, $d\vec{a} = -\hat{S}$. The pressure, force per unit area when $\hat{S} = \hat{x}$ is $\underline{T} \cdot (-\hat{x}) da$, or

$$f_x = -T_{xx} = \frac{B_0^2}{2\mu_0}$$

We know how to work out the magnetic pressure,

$$d\vec{F} = I d\vec{l} \times \vec{B}$$

Force per unit area is $kB = nIB$

That was a little too quick -

The force on a ring of current of length L is

$$F = I L B = 2\pi R I B$$

If the current I is a current density \mathbf{k} flowing through a thickness dz , then $I = k dz$ and the

force becomes

$$F = 2\pi R k dz B$$

The force per unit area is then

$$\frac{F}{2\pi R dz} = k B$$

But remember we have to use the average field at the solenoid $B_{\text{ave}} = \frac{1}{2}(B+0) = B/2$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{F}{\text{Area}} &= k B/2 & B &= \mu_0 k \\ &= \frac{B^2}{2\mu_0} \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

What is amazing is that we initially found this by without any information about the currents