

Magnetic Materials

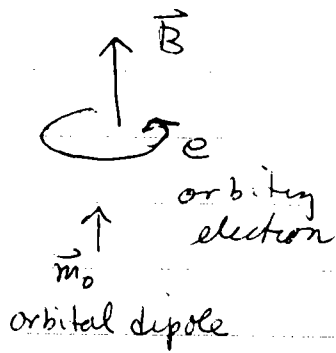
Circulating currents on atomic scale give rise to local magnetic dipole moments, which create local magnetic fields in the material.

Sources of circulating atomic currents:

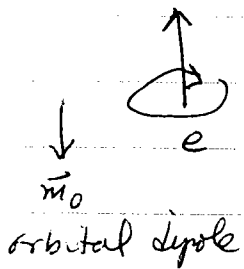
- 1) intrinsic angular momentum of electrons, i.e. "electron spin" - can add up and give a net angular momentum to atom
- 2) orbital angular momentum of electrons - can add up to give net angular momentum of atom.

(1) + (2) \Rightarrow atoms can have a net magnetic dipole moment. When $\vec{B} = 0$, these atomic moments are generally in random orientations, ^{and average to zero} (exception is a ferromagnet where moments can align even if $\vec{B} = 0$)
When apply $\vec{B} \neq 0$, the moments tend to align parallel to \vec{B} giving a net magnetization density $\vec{M} \propto \vec{B}$. This is a paramagnetic effect.

But there is also a diamagnetic effect from orbital angular momentum (exists even if total angular momentum of electrons is zero, i.e. exists for atoms with zero net dipole moment)



← applying \vec{B} to orbiting electron speeds up its orbital velocity. Increased angular momentum of negatively charged electron gives change in dipole moment $\Delta \vec{m} \propto -\vec{B}$



← applying \vec{B} to orbiting electron slows down its orbital velocity. Net result is again that $\Delta \vec{m} \propto -\vec{B}$

No matter which way electron orbits with respect to \vec{B} , result is a decrease in magnetic moment, so $\Delta \vec{m} \propto -\vec{B}$

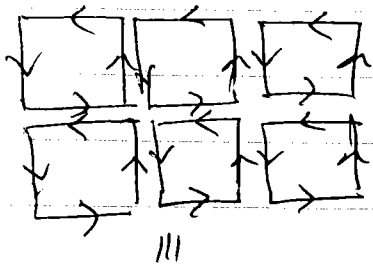
That $\Delta \vec{m}$ is opposite to \vec{B} is called Larmor magnetism

Model atomic magnetic moments as small current loops. When loops get oriented, i.e. there is non zero average magnetization density

$$\vec{M}(\vec{r}) = \sum_i \vec{m}_i \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_i)$$

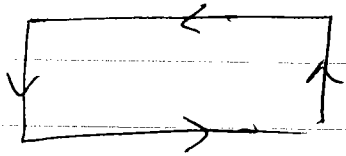
then net effect is to have a current flowing around the system. This current gives rise to magnetic fields

aligned atomic moments in a uniform applied \vec{B}



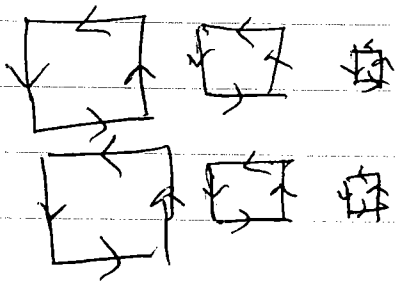
in interior, currents in opposite directions cancel also $\vec{j} = 0$ inside

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but is net circulation of current around boundary of material
 \Rightarrow surface current \vec{j}_{bound}

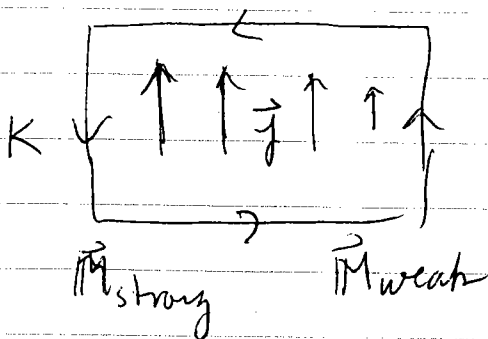
If \vec{B} is not uniform, then \vec{M} is not uniform
 Can create finite current density \vec{j} in interior,
 as well as surface currents



Now currents in interior do not cancel. Net current \vec{j}_{bound} in interior

\vec{B} strong

\vec{B} weak



\vec{B} out of page $\Rightarrow \vec{M}$ out of page
 M varies along page
 \vec{M} varies in direction \perp direction of \vec{M}
 $\Rightarrow \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{M} \neq 0$ gives \vec{j}_{bound}

Average current

$$\langle \vec{j}_0 \rangle = \left\langle \sum_{i \in \text{free}} q_i \vec{v}_i \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_i) \right\rangle + \sum_n \langle \vec{j}_n \rangle$$

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current from free charges
current from molecule n of the dielectric

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \vec{j}_n(\vec{r}, t) \rangle &= \sum_{i \in n} q_i (\vec{v}_n + \vec{v}_{ni}) \langle \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n(t) - \vec{r}_{ni}(t)) \rangle \\ &= \sum_{i \in n} q_i (\vec{v}_n + \vec{v}_{ni}) f(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n(t) - \vec{r}_{ni}(t)) \end{aligned}$$

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$\vec{v}_n = \frac{d\vec{r}_n}{dt}$
 $\vec{v}_{ni} = \frac{d\vec{r}_{ni}}{dt}$
position of CM of molec n
position of charge i wrt CM

as with $\langle \rho_0 \rangle$, we can expand in \vec{r}_{ni}

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \vec{j}_n \rangle &= \sum_{i \in n} q_i (\vec{v}_n + \vec{v}_{ni}) \left\{ f(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n) - \vec{r}_{ni} \cdot \vec{\nabla} f(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha \beta} (r_{ni})_\alpha (r_{ni})_\beta \frac{\partial^2 f(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n)}{\partial r_\alpha \partial r_\beta} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \dots \right\} \end{aligned}$$

we will keep only the first two terms in the expansion

The various terms we have to consider are

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \sum_{i \in n} q_i \vec{v}_n f(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n)$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \sum_{i \in n} q_i \vec{v}_{ni} f(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n)$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad - \sum_{i \in n} q_i \vec{v}_n [\vec{r}_{ni} \cdot \vec{\nabla} f(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n)]$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad - \sum_{i \in n} q_i \vec{v}_{ni} [\vec{r}_{ni} \cdot \vec{\nabla} f(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n)]$$

$$\textcircled{1} = \vec{v}_n f(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n) \sum_{i \in n} q_i = q_n \vec{v}_n f(r - r_n) = \langle q_n \vec{v}_n \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n) \rangle$$

This is just current of molecule as if it were a point charge q_n . For a neutral molecule $q_n = 0$ and this term vanishes.

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{2} \quad \text{Note: } \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \langle \vec{p}_n \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n) \rangle &= \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\sum_{i \in n} q_i \vec{r}_{ni} f(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n) \right) \\ &= \sum_{i \in n} q_i \vec{v}_{ni} f(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n) \\ &\quad + \sum_{i \in n} q_i \vec{r}_{ni} [-\vec{\nabla} f(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n) \cdot \vec{v}_n] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So for } \textcircled{3}, \quad \sum_{i \in n} q_i \vec{v}_n f(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \langle \vec{p}_n \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n) \rangle \\ &\quad + [\vec{v}_n \cdot \vec{\nabla} f(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n)] \vec{p}_n \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\textcircled{2} = \sum_{i \in n} q_i \vec{r}_{ni} f(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n) = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \langle \vec{p}_n \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n) \rangle + (\vec{v}_n \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \langle \vec{p}_n \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n) \rangle$$

2nd term is $\sum_{\alpha} v_{n\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial r_{\alpha}} \langle \vec{p}_n \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n) \rangle$

$$\textcircled{3} = -\vec{v}_n \left(\sum_{i \in n} q_i \vec{r}_{ni} \right) \cdot \vec{\nabla} f(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n) = -\vec{v}_n (\vec{p}_n \cdot \vec{\nabla} f(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n))$$

$$= -\vec{v}_n \vec{\nabla} \cdot \langle \vec{p}_n \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n) \rangle = \sum_{\alpha} \vec{v}_n \frac{\partial}{\partial r_{\alpha}} \langle p_{n\alpha} \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n) \rangle$$

$$\textcircled{4} = -\vec{\nabla} f(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n) \cdot \sum_{i \in n} q_i \vec{r}_{ni} \vec{v}_{ni}$$

We have seen the tensor $\sum_{i \in n} q_i \vec{r}_{ni} \vec{v}_{ni}$ before when we considered the magnetic dipole moment

$$\sum_{i \in n} q_i \vec{r}_{ni} \vec{v}_{ni} = \int d^3r \vec{r} \vec{j} \quad \text{where } \vec{j}(\vec{r}) \equiv \sum_{i \in n} q_i \vec{v}_{ni} \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_{ni})$$

is current density with respect to center of mass of molecule

$$\text{We had } \int d^3r \vec{r} \vec{j} = -\int d^3r \vec{j} \vec{r} - \int d^3r (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{j}) \vec{r} \vec{r}$$

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in statics, $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{j} = 0$

in general $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{j} = -\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t}$

$$\int d^3r \vec{r} \vec{j} = -\int d^3r \vec{j} \vec{r} + \int d^3r \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} \vec{r} \vec{r}$$

$$= -\int d^3r \vec{j} \vec{r} + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left[\int d^3r \rho \vec{r} \vec{r} \right]$$

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although this is not zero, it is a quadrupole term of the same order as the terms we dropped when we truncated expansion to linear order

$$\sim O\left(\frac{a_0}{L}\right)^2$$

$$S_0 \int d^3r \vec{r} \vec{j} \approx - \int d^3r \vec{j} \vec{r} \quad \text{ignoring the quadrupole term}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int d^3r [\vec{r} \vec{j} - \vec{j} \vec{r}]$$

$$\sum_{i \in n} g_i \vec{r}_{ni} \vec{v}_{ni} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \in n} g_i [\vec{r}_{ni} \vec{v}_{ni} - \vec{v}_{ni} \vec{r}_{ni}]$$

$$- \vec{\nabla} f(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n) \cdot \sum_{i \in n} g_i \vec{r}_{ni} \vec{v}_{ni} = - \vec{\nabla} f(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n) \cdot \frac{1}{2} \sum_i [\vec{r}_{ni} \vec{v}_{ni} - \vec{v}_{ni} \vec{r}_{ni}]$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \in n} g_i [(\vec{\nabla} f \cdot \vec{r}_{ni}) \vec{v}_{ni} - (\vec{\nabla} f \cdot \vec{v}_{ni}) \vec{r}_{ni}]$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \in n} g_i \vec{\nabla} f \times (\vec{v}_{ni} \times \vec{r}_{ni}) \quad \text{triple product rule}$$

$$= \vec{\nabla} f(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n) \times \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \in n} \vec{r}_{ni} \times \vec{v}_{ni} g_i$$

$$= \vec{\nabla} f(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n) \times \frac{1}{2} \int d^3r \vec{r} \times \vec{j}$$

$$= \vec{\nabla} f(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n) \times c \vec{m}_n \quad \text{where } \vec{m}_n = \frac{1}{2c} \sum_{i \in n} \vec{r}_{ni} \times \vec{v}_{ni} g_i$$

↳ magnetic dipole moment of molecule n

$$= \vec{\nabla} \times f(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n) c \vec{m}_n$$

$$= \vec{\nabla} \times \langle c \vec{m}_n \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n) \rangle$$

Adding all the pieces

$$\langle \vec{j}_n \rangle = \underbrace{\langle g_n \vec{v}_n \delta(\vec{r}-\vec{r}_n) \rangle}_{(1)} + c \vec{\nabla} \times \underbrace{\langle \vec{m}_n \delta(\vec{r}-\vec{r}_n) \rangle}_{(4)}$$

$$+ \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \underbrace{\langle \vec{p}_n \delta(\vec{r}-\vec{r}_n) \rangle}_{(2)} + \underbrace{(\vec{v}_n \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \langle \vec{p}_n \delta(\vec{r}-\vec{r}_n) \rangle}_{(2)}$$

$$- \underbrace{\vec{v}_n \cdot \vec{\nabla} \langle \vec{p}_n \delta(\vec{r}-\vec{r}_n) \rangle}_{(3)}$$

Define $\vec{M}(\vec{r}) \equiv \sum_n \langle \vec{m}_n \delta(\vec{r}-\vec{r}_n) \rangle$ average magnetization density

$\vec{P}(\vec{r}) \equiv \sum_n \langle \vec{p}_n \delta(\vec{r}-\vec{r}_n) \rangle$ polarization density, as before

$$\sum_n \langle \vec{j}_n \rangle = \sum_n \langle g_n \vec{v}_n \delta(\vec{r}-\vec{r}_n) \rangle + c \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{M} + \frac{\partial \vec{P}}{\partial t}$$

$$+ \sum_n \left[(\vec{v}_n \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \langle \vec{p}_n \delta(\vec{r}-\vec{r}_n) \rangle - \vec{v}_n \cdot \vec{\nabla} \langle \vec{p}_n \delta(\vec{r}-\vec{r}_n) \rangle \right]$$

see Jackson (6.96) for additional electric quadrupole terms

The last term on the right hand side is usually small and ignored. This is because the molecular velocities \vec{v}_n are usually small, and randomly oriented, so that they average to zero. (see Jackson (6.100) for case of net translation of dielectric, $\vec{v}_n = \text{const}$ all n)

