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We differentiate and find first

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{G}_{\text{ch}}(\vec{r}, t) = \sum_j \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_j(t)) m_j \dot{\vec{v}}_j(t) - \sum_j \vec{v}_j(t) \cdot \vec{\nabla} \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_j(t)) m_j \vec{v}_j(t)$$

and

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{T}_{\text{ch}}(\vec{r}, t) = \sum_j \vec{\nabla} \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_j(t)) \cdot m_j \vec{v}_j(t) \vec{v}_j(t)$$

and then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{G}_{\text{ch}} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{T}_{\text{ch}} &= \sum_j \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_j(t)) m_j \dot{\vec{v}}_j(t) \\ &= \sum_j \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_j(t)) \left[e_j \vec{E}(\vec{r}_j(t), t) + e_j \frac{\vec{v}_j(t)}{c} \times \vec{B}(\vec{r}_j(t), t) \right] \\ &= \rho(\vec{r}, t) \vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) + \frac{1}{c} \vec{j}(\vec{r}, t) \times \vec{B}(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{f}(\vec{r}, t). \end{aligned}$$

Combined with $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{G} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{T} + \vec{f} = 0$, the statement about the momentum density \vec{G} of the electromagnetic field and its current density \vec{T} , we get

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{G}_{\text{tot}} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{T}_{\text{tot}} = 0,$$

which expresses the local momentum conservation for the total momentum density $\vec{G}_{\text{tot}} = \vec{G} + \vec{G}_{\text{ch}}$ and the total momentum current density $\vec{T}_{\text{tot}} = \vec{T} + \vec{T}_{\text{ch}}$.

2(i)

For an infinitesimal Lorentz transformation we have

$$\begin{aligned} \delta\rho(\vec{r}, t) &= -\delta_{\text{coor}}\rho(\vec{r}, t) + \frac{\delta\vec{v}}{c^2} \cdot \vec{j}(\vec{r}, t) \\ &= -\left(\delta\vec{v}t \cdot \vec{\nabla} + \frac{\delta\vec{v} \cdot \vec{r}}{c^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right) \rho(\vec{r}, t) + \frac{\delta\vec{v}}{c^2} \cdot \vec{j}(\vec{r}, t) \\ &= -\delta\vec{v}t \cdot \vec{\nabla}\rho(\vec{r}, t) + \frac{1}{c^2} \left[\delta\vec{v} \cdot \vec{r} \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{j}(\vec{r}, t) + \delta\vec{v} \cdot \vec{j}(\vec{r}, t) \right] \\ &= \vec{\nabla} \cdot \left[-\delta\vec{v}t \rho(\vec{r}, t) + \frac{1}{c^2} \vec{j}(\vec{r}, t) \delta\vec{v} \cdot \vec{r} \right], \end{aligned}$$

that is: $\delta\rho$ is the divergence of a vector field. It follows that

$$\int(d\vec{r}) \delta\rho(\vec{r}, t) = 0,$$

indeed.

2(ii)

For a finite Lorentz transformation with $\vec{v} = v\vec{e}_z$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}\rho'(\vec{r}', t') &= \rho'(x', y', z', t') \\ &= \gamma\rho(x', y', \gamma z' - \gamma vt', \gamma t' - \gamma vz'/c^2) \\ &\quad + \gamma(v/c^2)j_z(x', y', \gamma z' - \gamma vt', \gamma t' - \gamma vz'/c^2),\end{aligned}$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned}\int(d\vec{r}')\rho'(\vec{r}', t') &= \int(d\vec{r}')\rho(\vec{r}', t'/\gamma - vz'/c^2) \\ &\quad + \frac{v}{c^2}\int(d\vec{r}')j_z(\vec{r}', t'/\gamma - vz'/c^2)\end{aligned}$$

after substituting $z' \rightarrow z'/\gamma + vt'$, $dz' \rightarrow dz'/\gamma$ in the z' integration.

Now, making use of the hint, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\rho(\vec{r}', t'/\gamma - vz'/c^2) &= \rho(\vec{r}', t'/\gamma) \\ &\quad - \int dt [\eta(t'/\gamma - t) - \eta(t'/\gamma - vz'/c^2 - t)]\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\rho(\vec{r}', t) \\ &= \rho(\vec{r}', t'/\gamma) \\ &\quad - \int dt [\eta(t'/\gamma - t) - \eta(t'/\gamma - vz'/c^2 - t)]\vec{\nabla}' \cdot \vec{j}(\vec{r}', t) \\ &= \rho(\vec{r}', t'/\gamma) + \int dt \vec{j}(\vec{r}', t) \cdot \vec{\nabla}' \eta(t'/\gamma - vz'/c^2 - t) \\ &\quad - \vec{\nabla}' \cdot \int dt [\eta(t'/\gamma - t) - \eta(t'/\gamma - vz'/c^2 - t)]\vec{j}(\vec{r}', t).\end{aligned}$$

The total divergence has a vanishing integral over all of \vec{r}' space, and since $\vec{\nabla}'\eta(t'/\gamma - vz'/c^2 - t) = -(v/c^2)\delta(t'/\gamma - vz'/c^2 - t)\vec{e}_z$ we get

$$\int(d\vec{r}')\rho'(\vec{r}', t') = \int(d\vec{r}')\rho(\vec{r}', t'/\gamma) = \int(d\vec{r})\rho(\vec{r}, t),$$

where the last step remembers that the total charge $\int(d\vec{r})\rho(\vec{r}, t)$ does not depend on time t .

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Clearly,

$$\int(d\vec{r})\rho(\vec{r}, t) = 0$$

because $\rho(\vec{r}, t)$ is a total divergence, and

$$\int(d\vec{r})\vec{r}\rho(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{d}(t)$$

after an integration by parts: $-\vec{r} \vec{d} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{R}) = -\vec{\nabla} \cdot [\vec{d} \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{R}) \vec{r}] + \vec{d} \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{R})$.

We have

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{j}(\vec{r}, t) &= -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho(\vec{r}, t) \\ &= -\vec{d}(t) \cdot \vec{\nabla} \dot{\vec{R}}(t) \cdot \vec{\nabla} \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{R}(t)) + \dot{\vec{d}}(t) \cdot \vec{\nabla} \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{R}(t)) \\ &= \vec{\nabla} \cdot [\dot{\vec{R}}(t) \rho(\vec{r}, t) + \dot{\vec{d}}(t) \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{R}(t))],\end{aligned}$$

so that

$$\vec{j}(\vec{r}, t) = \dot{\vec{R}}(t) \rho(\vec{r}, t) + \dot{\vec{d}}(t) \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{R}(t)).$$

It follows that

$$\vec{\mu}(t) = \frac{1}{2c} \int (\mathrm{d}\vec{r}) \vec{r} \times \vec{j}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{1}{2c} (\vec{d}(t) \times \dot{\vec{R}}(t) + \dot{\vec{R}}(t) \times \vec{d}(t)),$$

telling us that an electric dipole moment in motion is accompanied by a magnetic dipole moment.