

Re: magnetic monopoles

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Hi Timo, thanks...

Timo Nieminen wrote:

- > On Wed, 30 Aug 2005, Ken S. Tucker wrote:
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- >> I start with a 2" que ball and drill in 1/4" dia
- >> holes a 1/2" deep, spaced a 1/2" apart and place
- >> into those holes cylindrical bar magnets with N
- >> pointed out. I could do the same using S pointed
- >> out.
- >>
- >> Irrespective of the orientation of those balls on
- >> a pool table the N's will repel the N's and the
- >> N's will attract the S's, but by the $1/r^3$ rule.
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- > This might leave you with 8 magnets around the equator, one at each of the
- > physical poles, and maybe 4 in each of the mid-latitudes.
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- > I predict a field that falls off as $1/r^7$ (at long distances, anyway)
- > since you'd have approximately a 2^5 pole source. (What would the
- > force between two 2^5 poles be, and how would it depend on the
- > orientation? Sounds like something best left for students ...)
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- > With 1 magnet you have a dipole (a 2^1 pole), with 2 holes on opposite
- > sides with magnets, you'd have a linear quadrupole, a 2^2 pole, with a
- > $1/r^3$ potential, and therefore a $1/r^4$ field.
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- > A row around the equator gives you a 2^3 pole, with $1/r^4$ potential, and
- > $1/r^5$ field.
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- > The general formula being 2^n pole, with $1/r^{(n+1)}$ potential, and
- > $1/r^{(n+2)}$ field, where n is the number of rows of magnets from pole to
- > pole, counting magnets at the poles as well. Each pair of rows you add
- > increases n by 2.
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- > In the limit of the sphere become infinitely densely packed by skinny
- > magnets, n goes to infinity, and the external field vanishes.

Ok, suppose I defer to you're analysis, seems reasonable

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at the limit, but with the caveat, a sub-atomic particle can't let $n \rightarrow \infty$ but ok.

Let's use a hockey puck, i.e. a 2D disk, you know like playing air hockey. Can we create a puck that has a N-pole on the circumference (or S-pole)?

So instead of a sphere, I magnetize segments of a disc and then glue them together.

Here's my angle, can I create a monopole in 2D?

Oh, please allow the segments to be less than infinitesimal.

Ken

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