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Quantum Vacuum Energy Torque Anomoly HAMILTON CARTER,

Texas A&M University — Fulling et al. have found an apparent violation of the relationship between torque and total vacuum energy based on the expectation values of the energy density and pressure of a quantum field inside a conducting wedge as a function of angle. The basic physics underlying the Casimir effect will be presented followed by a brief description of the eigenfunction expansions used to solve Casimir boundary value problems. Finally, details of the torque anomaly will be reviewed.

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