## **Conservation of linear momentum**

## Four questions

- 1. What is it?  $\vec{P} = m\vec{V}$ 
  - For a particle, it's
  - Again, I don't really know, but...



2. How can it be stored (What is  $P_{sys}$  ?)



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3. How can it be transported? (How does it cross system boundaries?)

Flow boundaries



 $\vec{mV}$ Rate of LM transport due to mass flow is

Non-flow boundaries



A force is a rate of LM transport at a nonflow boundary!

(Or at least not due to flow.)

4. How is generated and/or consumed?

It's not! It's conserved.



Net *rate* of LM / transport at non-flow boundaries

Net *rate* of LM transport at flow boundaries