

Complex-scaling method for the complex plasmonic resonances of particles with corners

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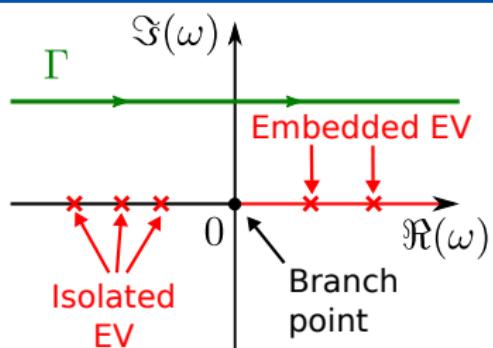
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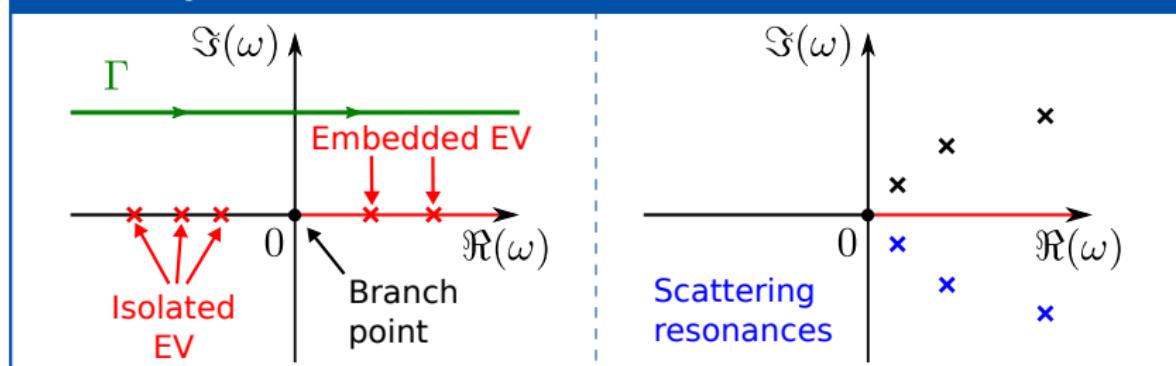
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⇒ This work investigates a **plasmonic analogue** of scattering resonances.

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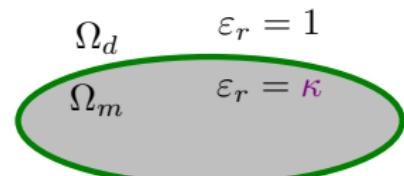
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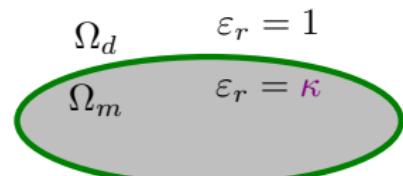
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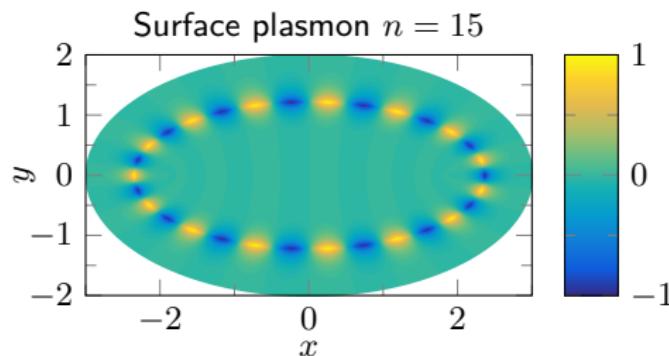
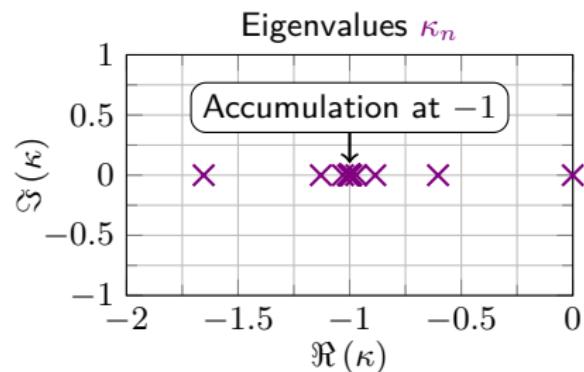
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Smooth $\partial\Omega_m$ Point spectrum in H_{loc}^1 : $\kappa_n < 0$, $\kappa_n \rightarrow -1$ (Grieser 2014, Thm. 1).



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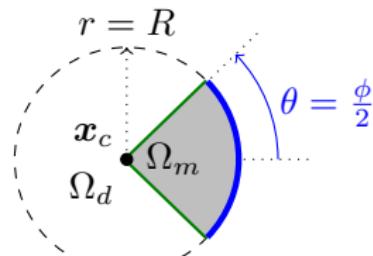
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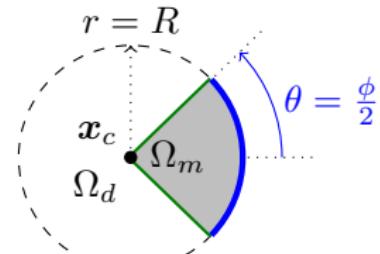
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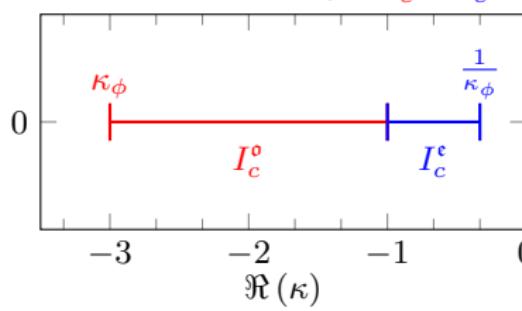


Corner of angle ϕ There is a **critical interval** I_c such that

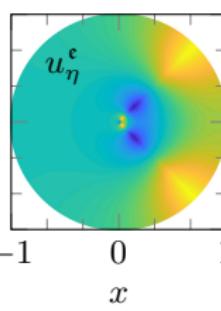
$$\kappa \in I_c \Leftrightarrow \exists! \eta > 0 : u_\eta(r, \theta) = e^{i\eta \ln r} \Phi_\eta(\theta) \text{ solves } (\star),$$

for some $\Phi_\eta \in H_{\text{per}}^1(-\pi, \pi)$. Crucially $u_\eta \notin H_{\text{loc}}^1$ (strongly-oscillating).

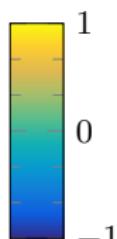
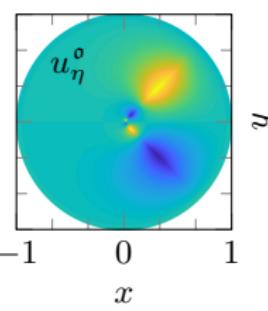
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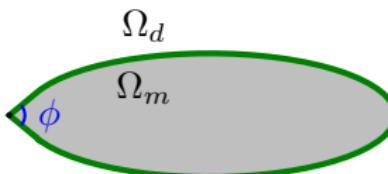


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Objectives and outline

Objective Compute complex resonances and embedded eigenvalues for particles with corners.



Outline

- ① Definition of complex plasmonic resonances
- ② Applicability of corner complex scaling
- ③ Numerical results using corner perturbations

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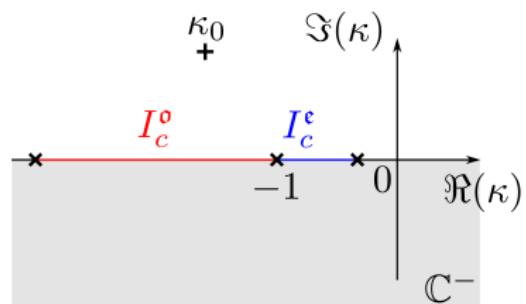
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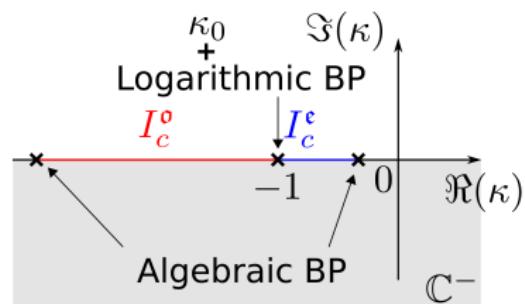
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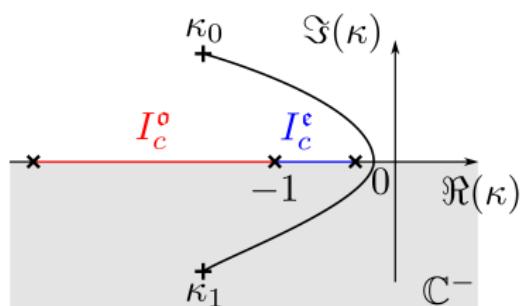
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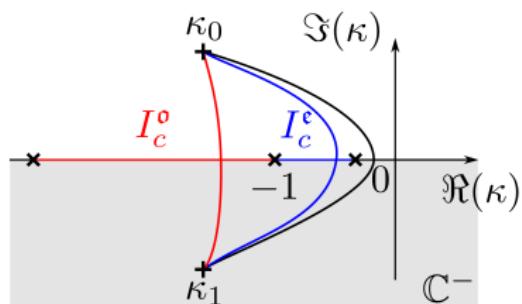
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Definition A **complex plasmonic (CP) resonance** is a pole of $\kappa \rightarrow R^{|e(o)}(\kappa)$ or $\kappa \rightarrow R^{|o}(kappa)$ in \mathbb{C}^- .

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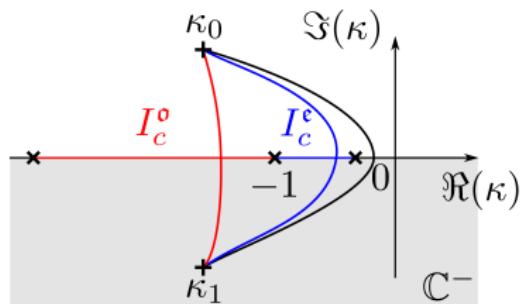
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Characterization If κ_{res} is a CP resonance, the associated function blows up at the corner like

$$u_{\text{res}}(r, \theta) \underset{r \rightarrow 0}{=} c_{\textcolor{green}{\eta}} e^{i\textcolor{green}{\eta} \ln r} \Phi_{\textcolor{green}{\eta}}(\theta) + c_0 + \mathcal{O}(r^{-\eta_*}) \quad (\Im(\textcolor{green}{\eta}) > 0, \eta_* < 0),$$

where $\Phi_{\textcolor{green}{\eta}} \in H^1_{\text{per}}(-\pi, \pi)$.

Corner complex scaling: formulation and uncovered region

Principle. Let $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$. Define a non self-adjoint “PEP α ” such that:

κ complex plasmonic resonance of PEP \iff κ eigenvalue of PEP α .

Intuitively, we would like

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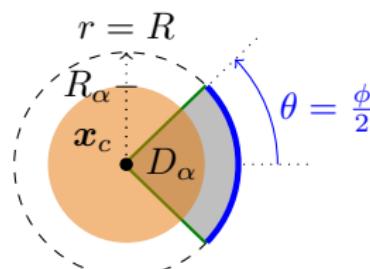
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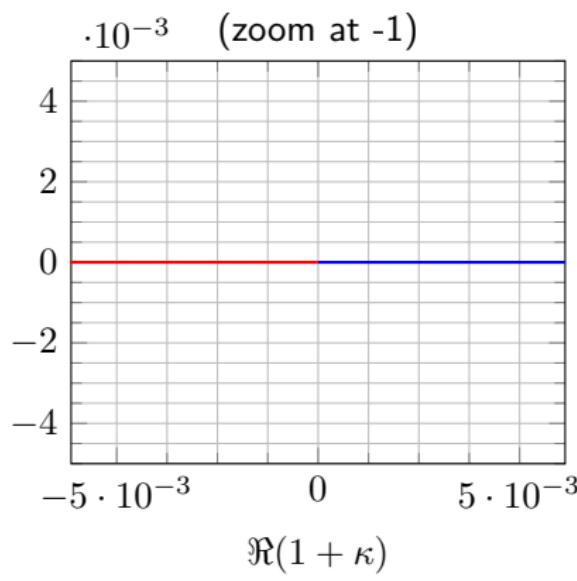
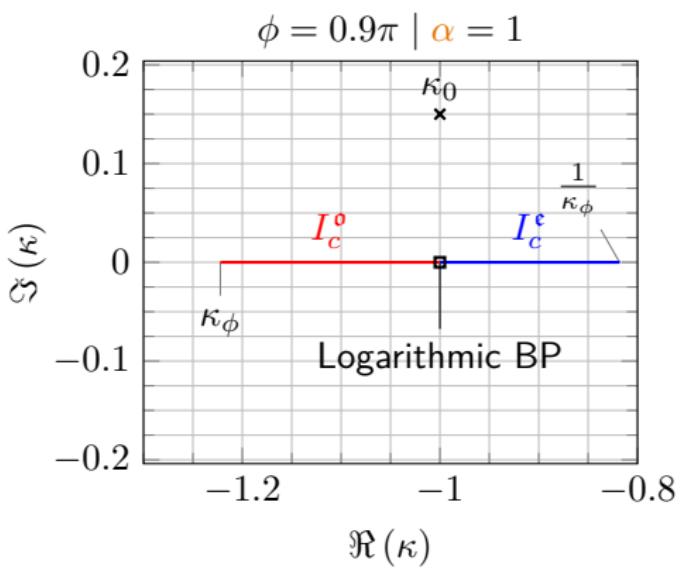
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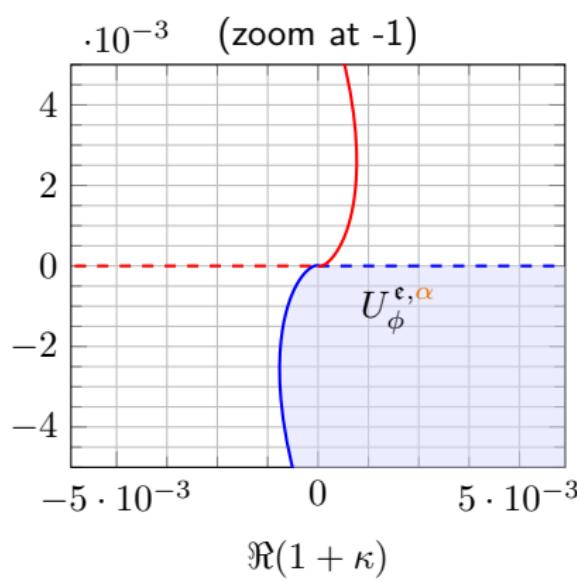
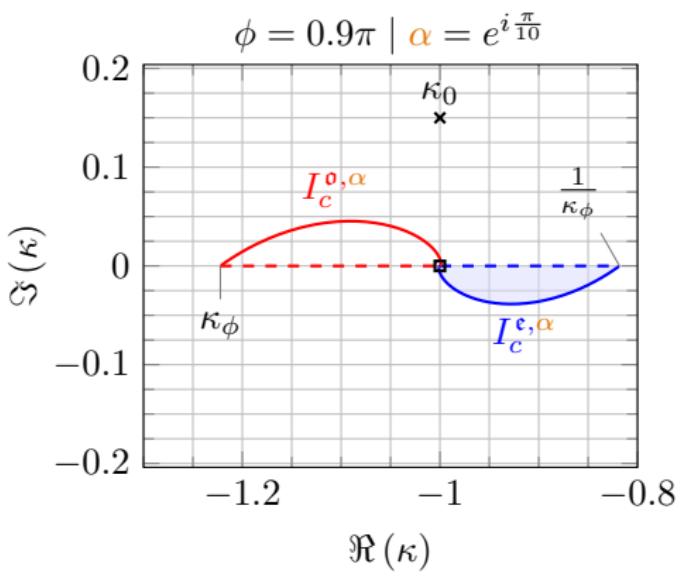


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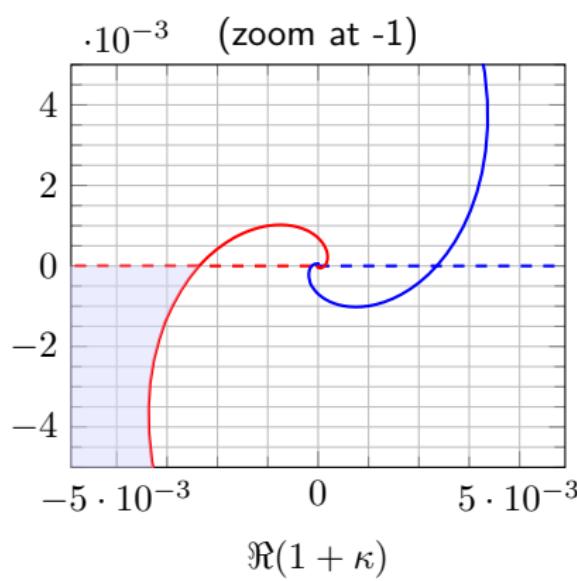
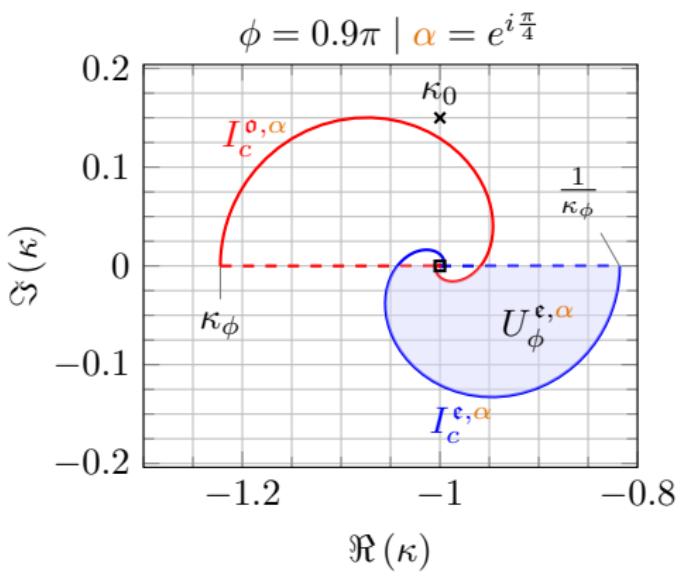


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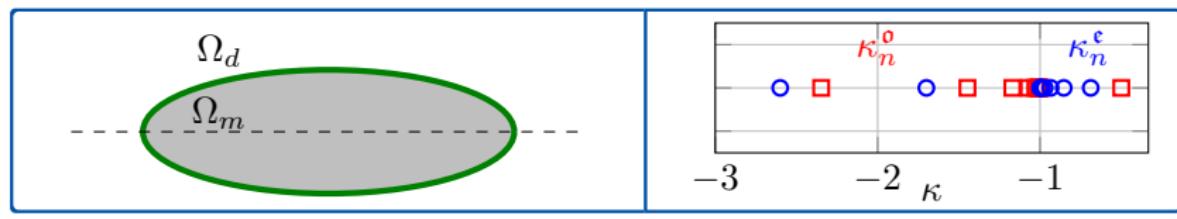
How to obtain complex resonances?

Perturbation of elliptical Ω_m by corner along major axis.

Embedded eigenvalues

→ Existence proof (Li and Shipman 2019, § 5.2)

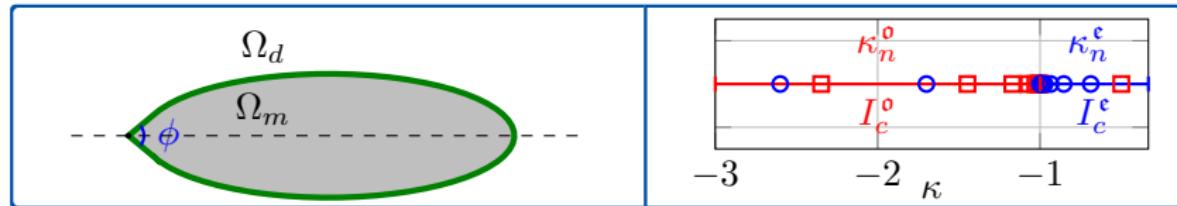
→ Numerical evidence (Helsing, Kang, and Lim 2017)



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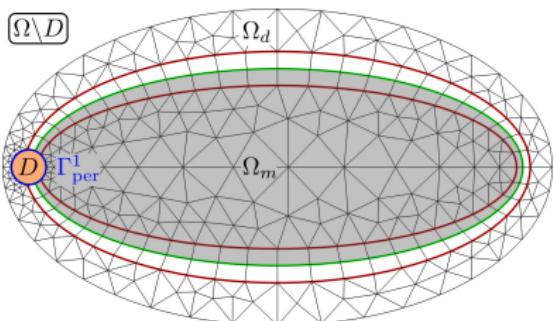


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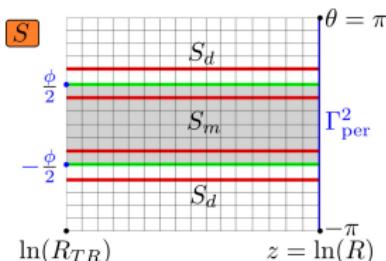


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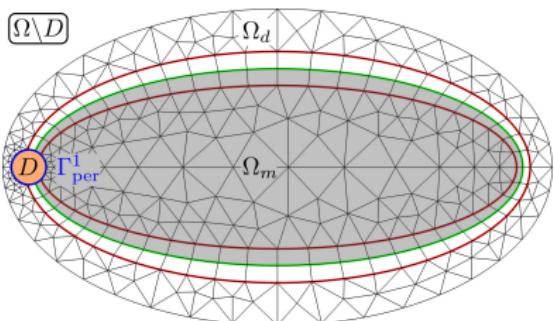
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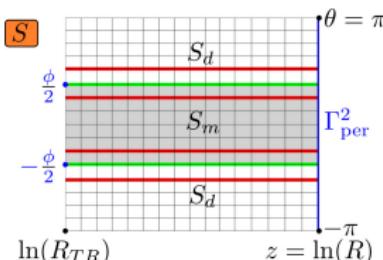
$$V = \left\{ (u, \check{u}) \in H_e \times H_c \mid u|_{\Gamma_{\text{per}}^1} = \check{u}|_{\Gamma_{\text{per}}^2} \right\}.$$

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Discretization with H^1 -conforming elements (isoparametric P^2/Q^2).

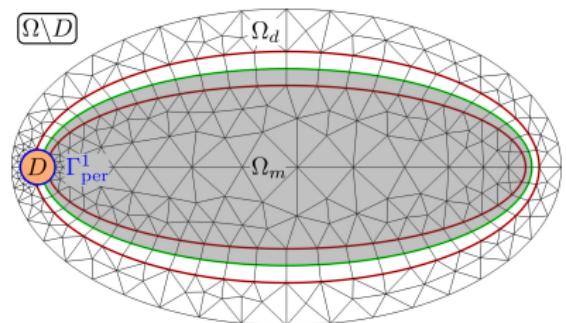
Find $(\kappa, U) \in \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C}^N$:

$$\left[A_{\Omega_m \setminus D}^{(x,y)} + \alpha A_{S_m}^{(z)} + \frac{1}{\alpha} A_{S_m}^{(\theta)} \right] U = -\kappa \left[A_{\Omega_d \setminus D}^{(x,y)} + \alpha A_{S_d}^{(z)} + \frac{1}{\alpha} A_{S_d}^{(\theta)} \right] U,$$

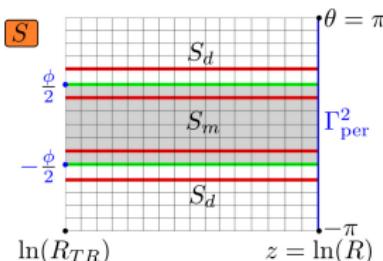
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⚠ Mesh symmetry at $\partial\Omega_m$ to avoid spurious plasmons.

Proof for polygonal interfaces: (Bonnet-Ben Dhia, Carvalho, and Ciarlet 2018).

Methodology to deal with curvilinear $\partial\Omega_m$:

- One-cell thick **structured layer**.
- Symmetry w.r.t. elliptic coordinates (μ, θ) using isoparametric Q^2 .

Implementations COMSOL 5.4 and gmsh/dolfinx/PETSc/SLEPc.

Results: corner perturbation along major axis

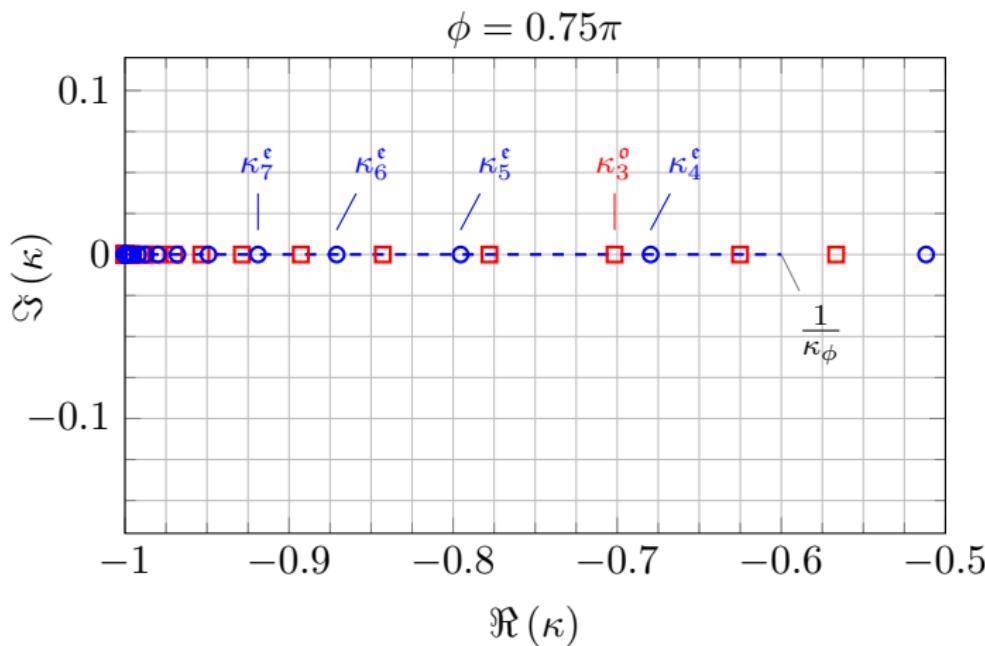


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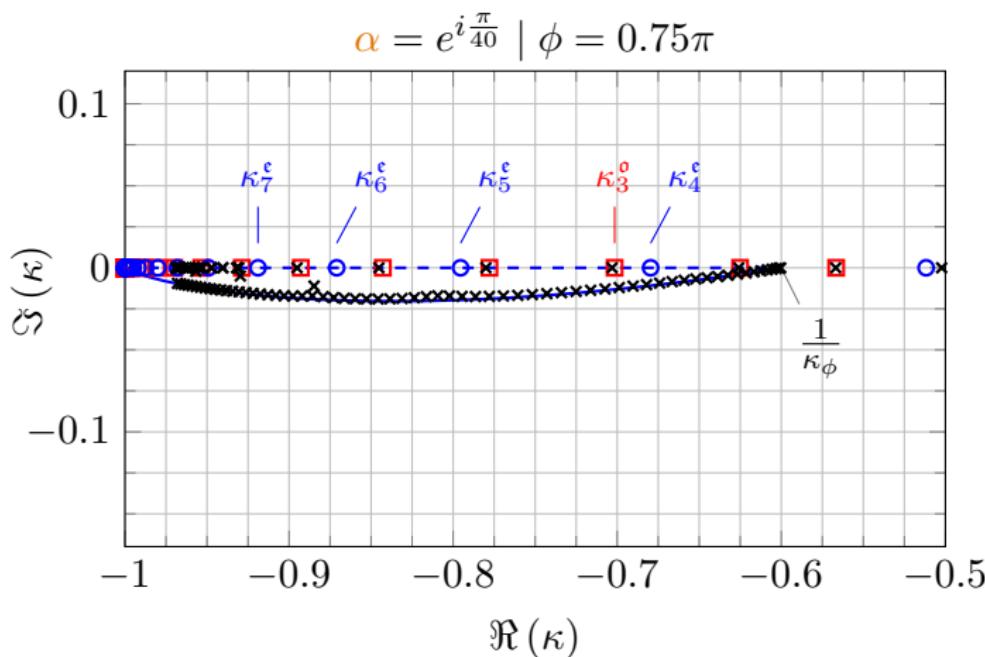


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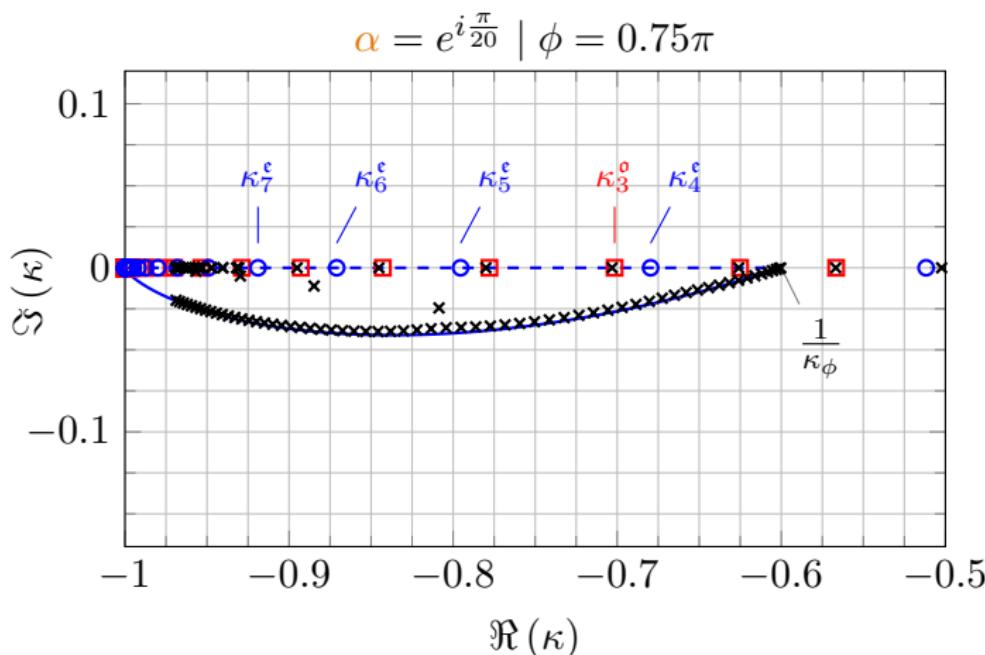


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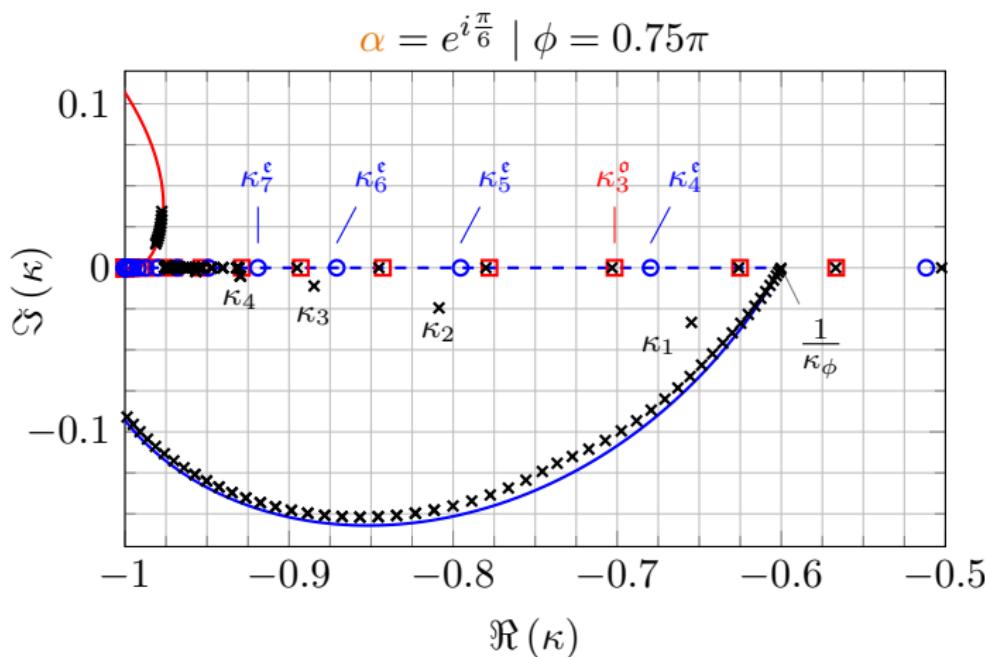


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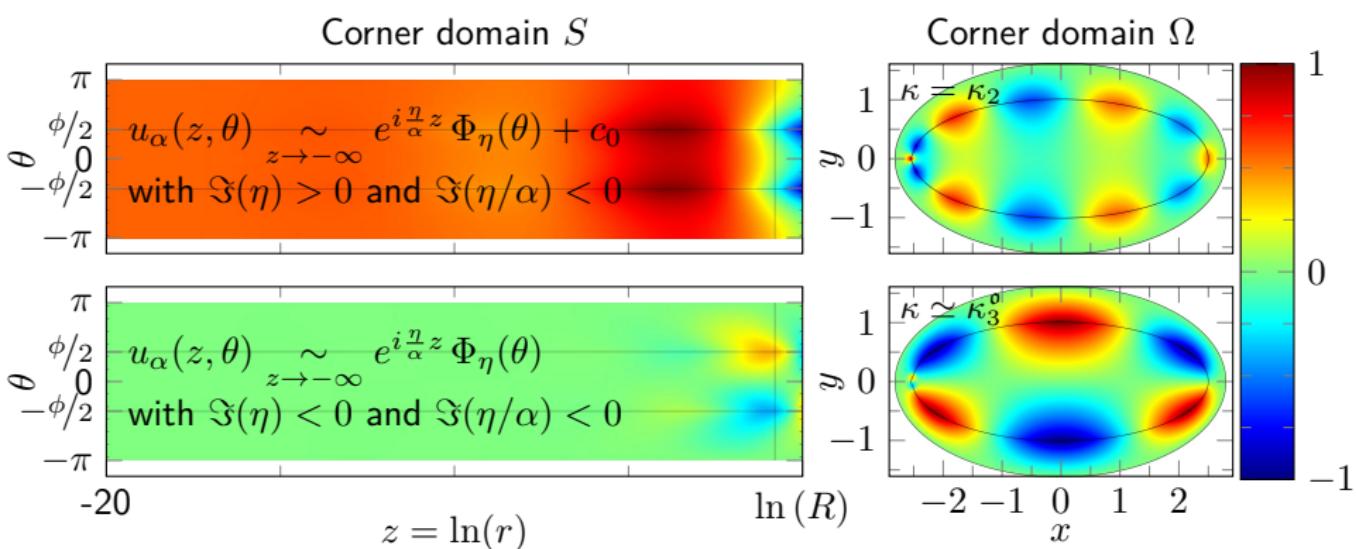
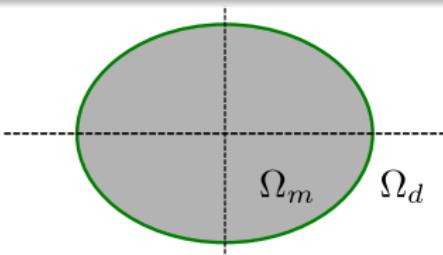


Fig. Eigenfunctions $\Re(u_\alpha)/\|u_\alpha\|_\infty$ of PEP- α with $\alpha = e^{i\frac{\pi}{6}}$.

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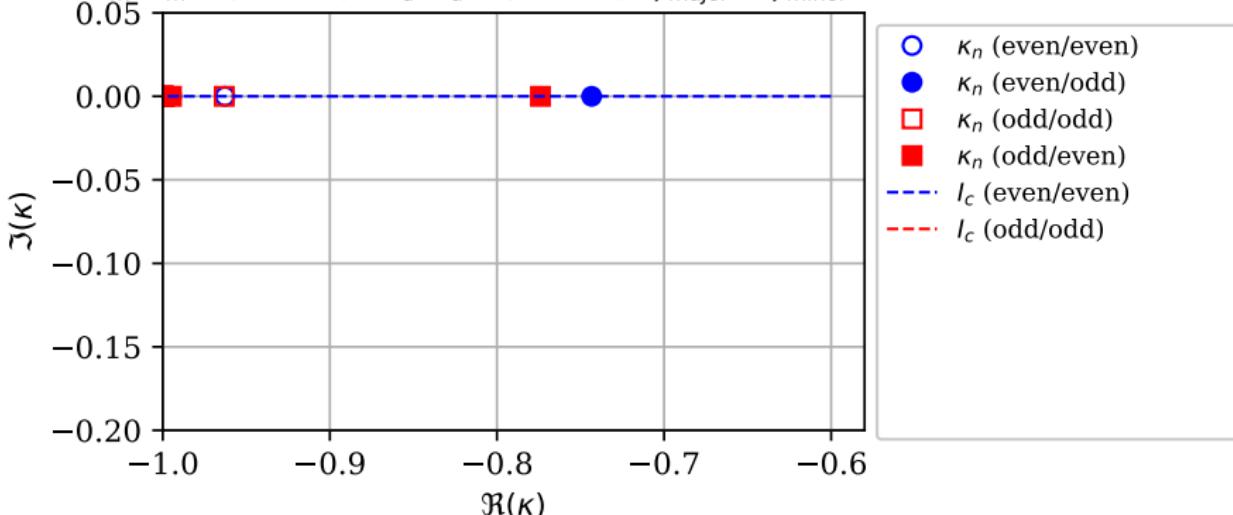
(Bottom row) $\kappa \simeq 0.70313 - 8.0357 \cdot 10^{-8}i \simeq \kappa_3^o$, embedded eigenvalue.

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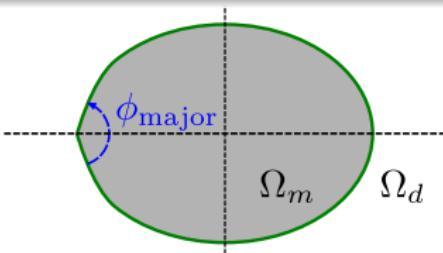


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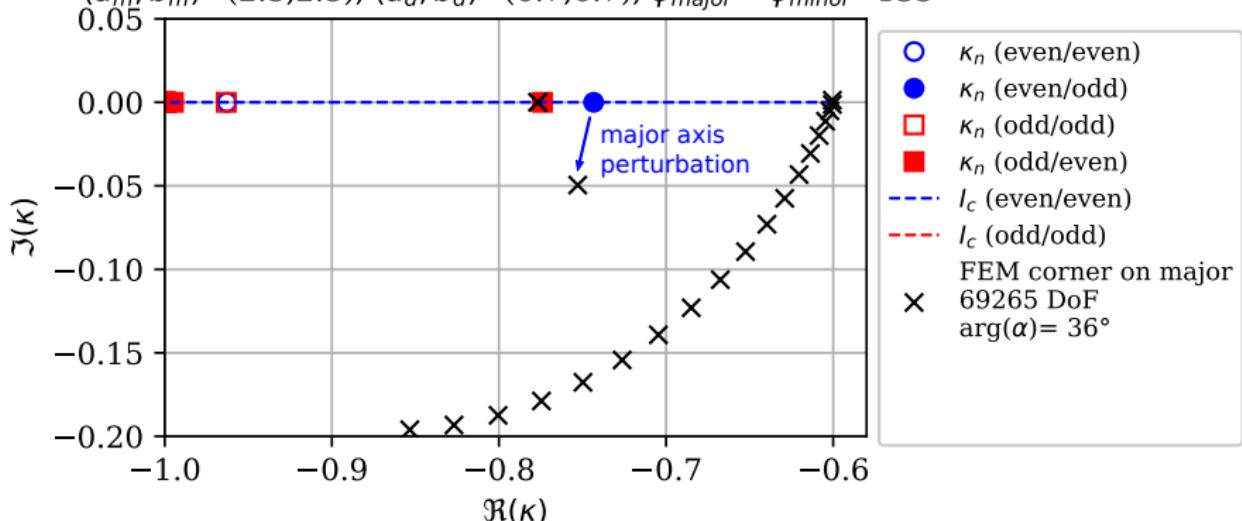


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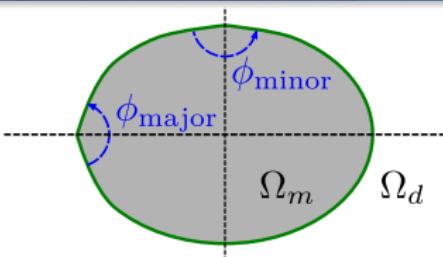


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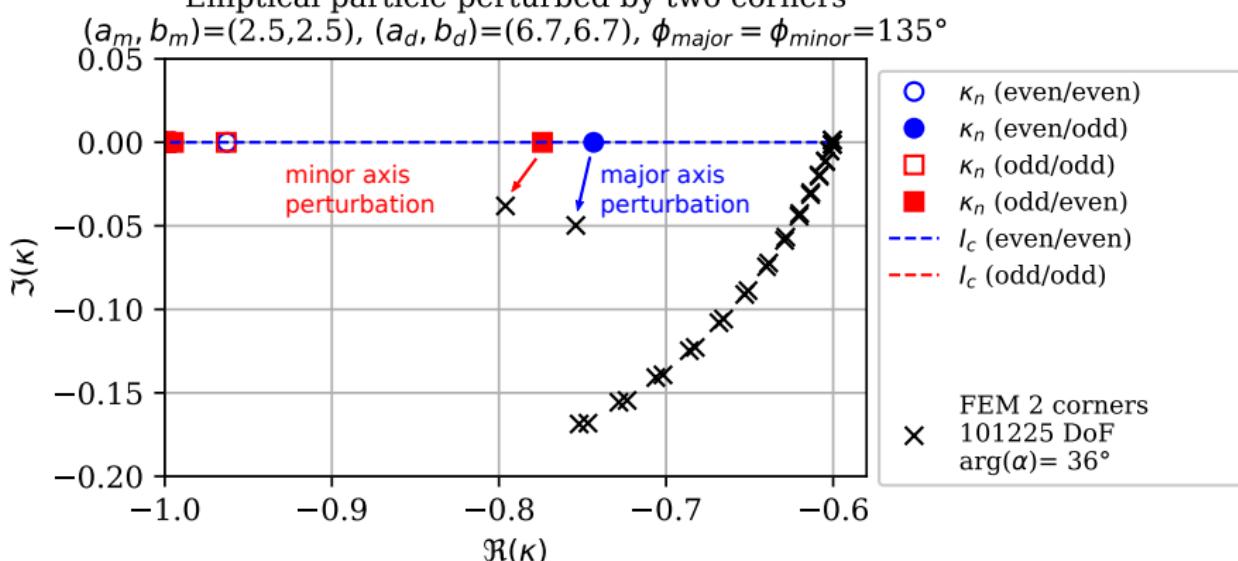
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Thanks for your attention. Any questions?

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