

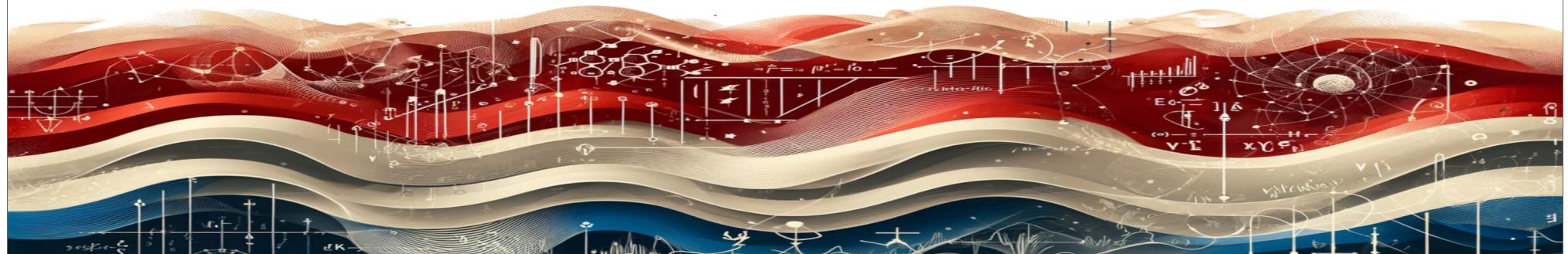
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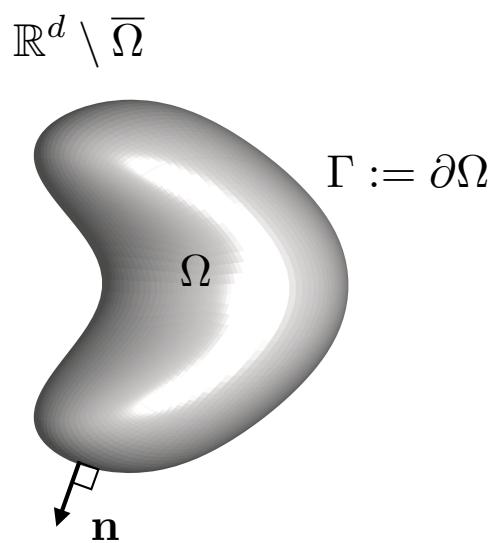


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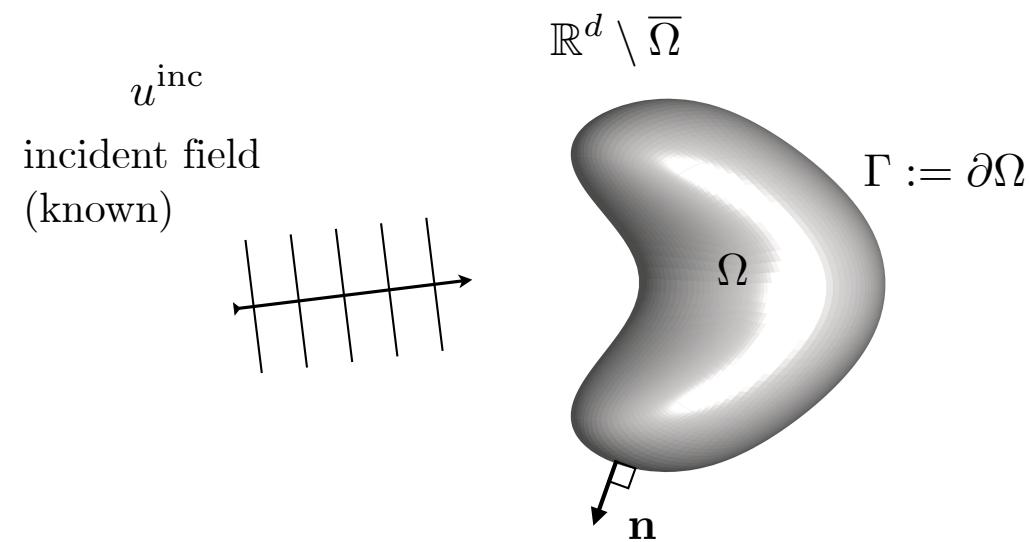
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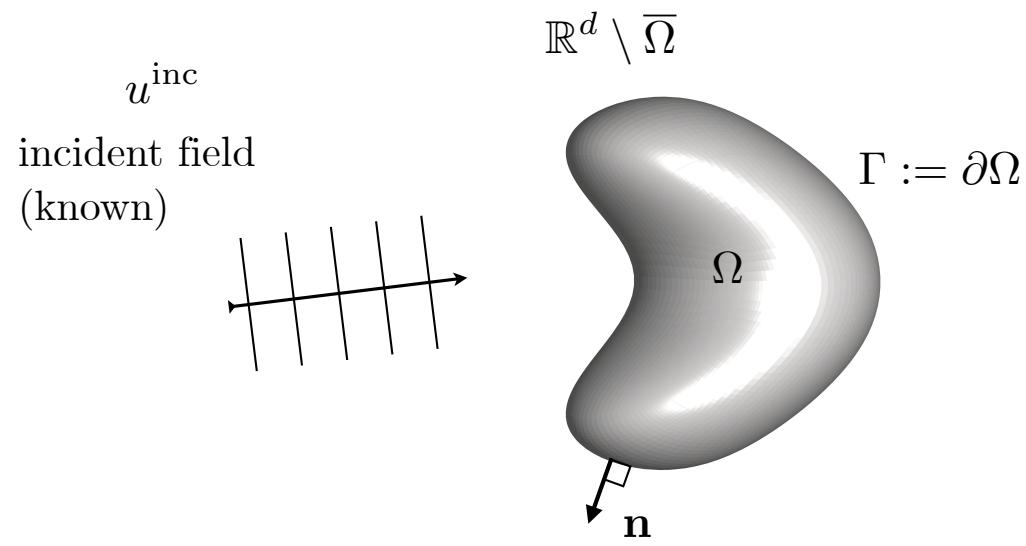
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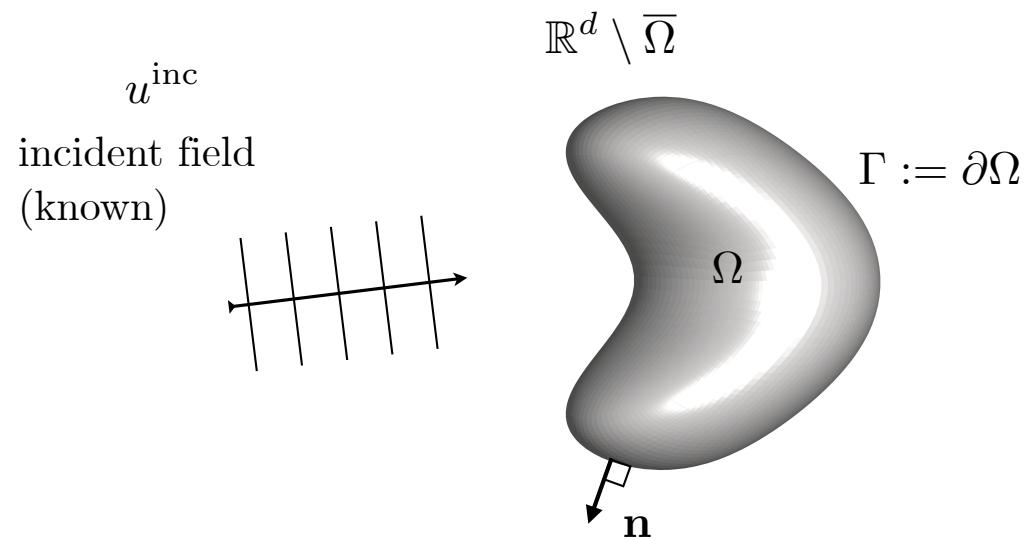
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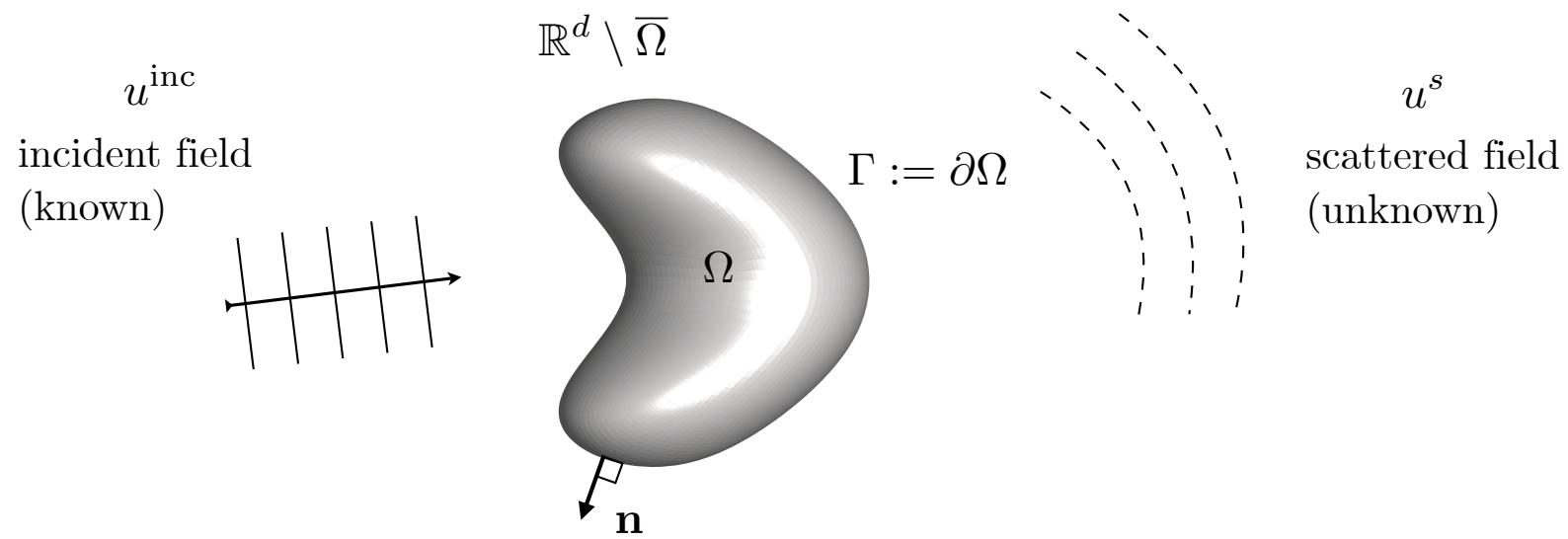


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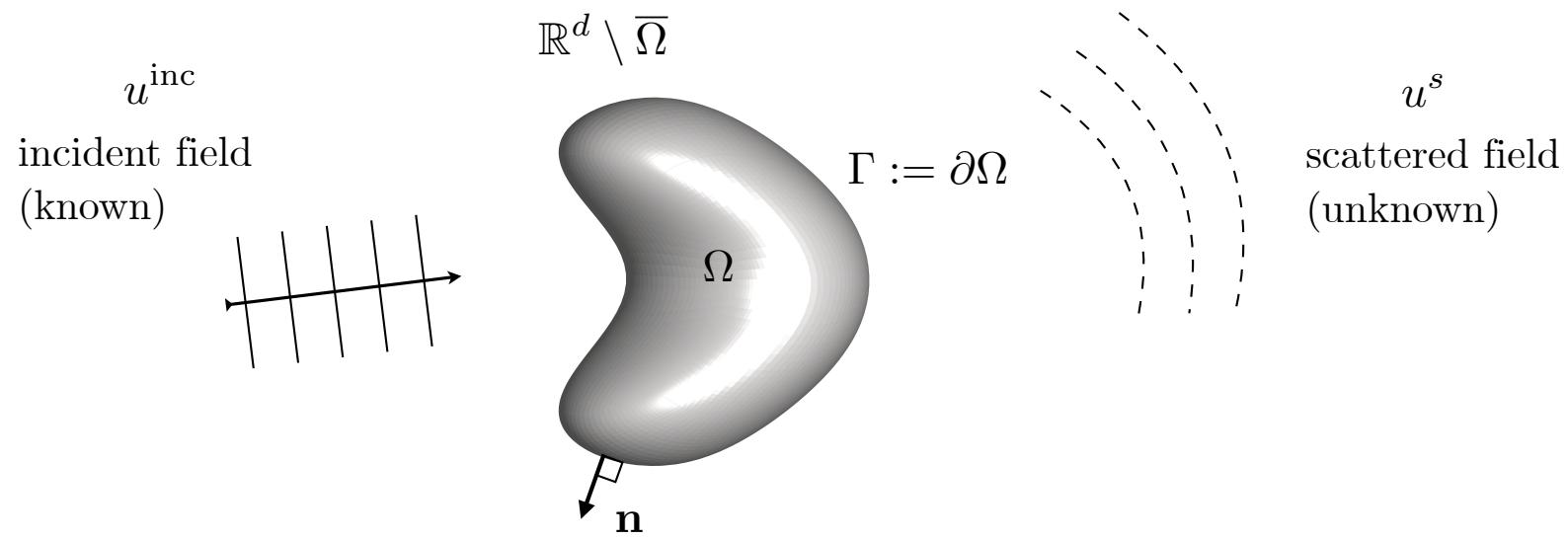


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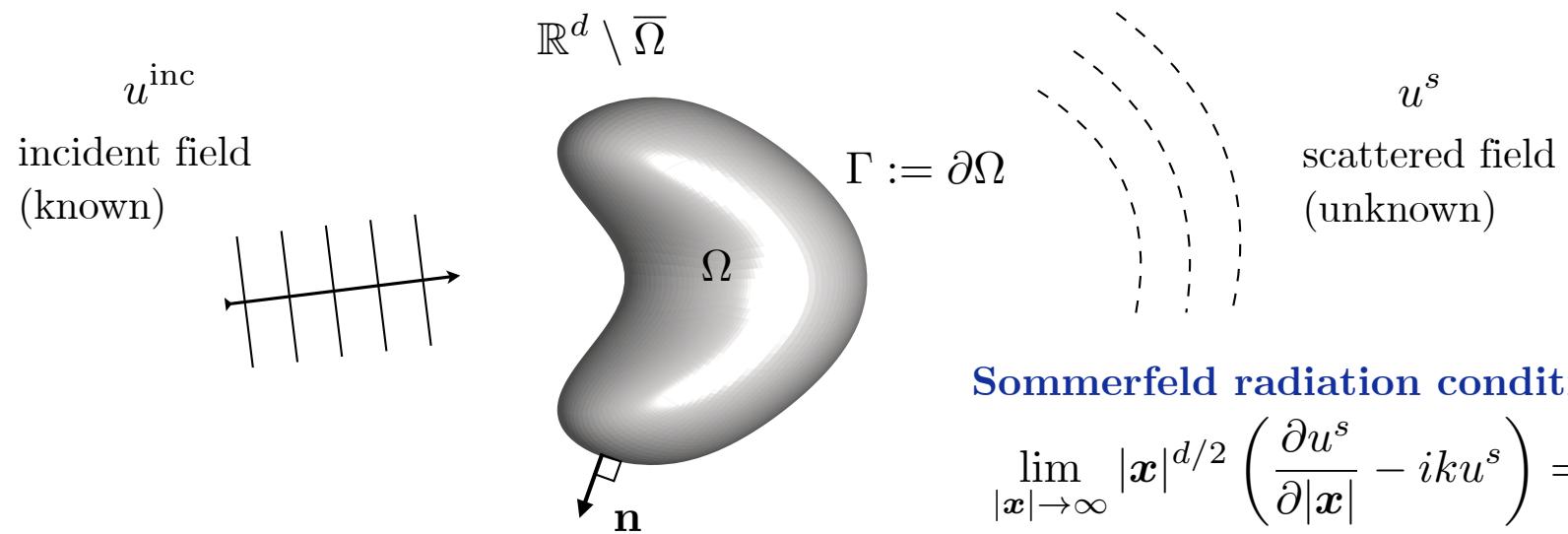
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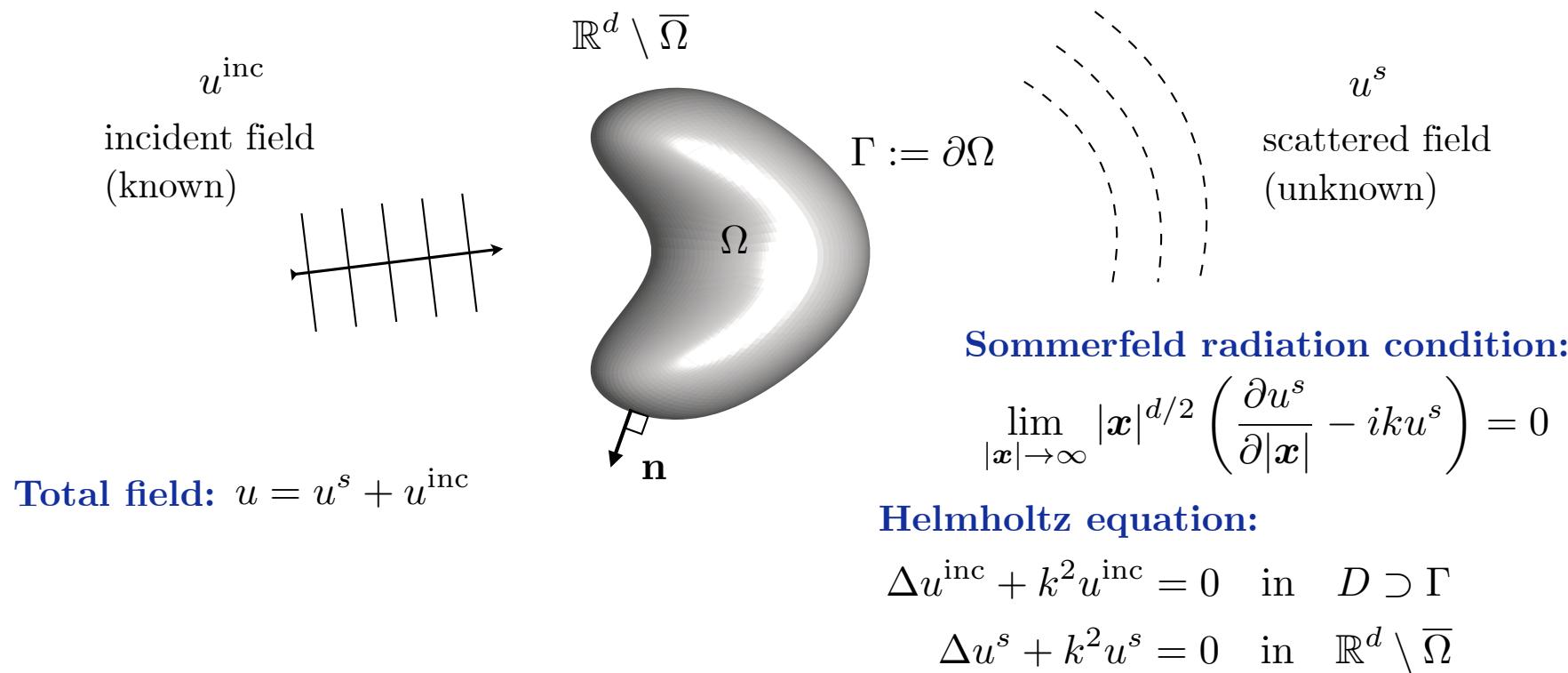
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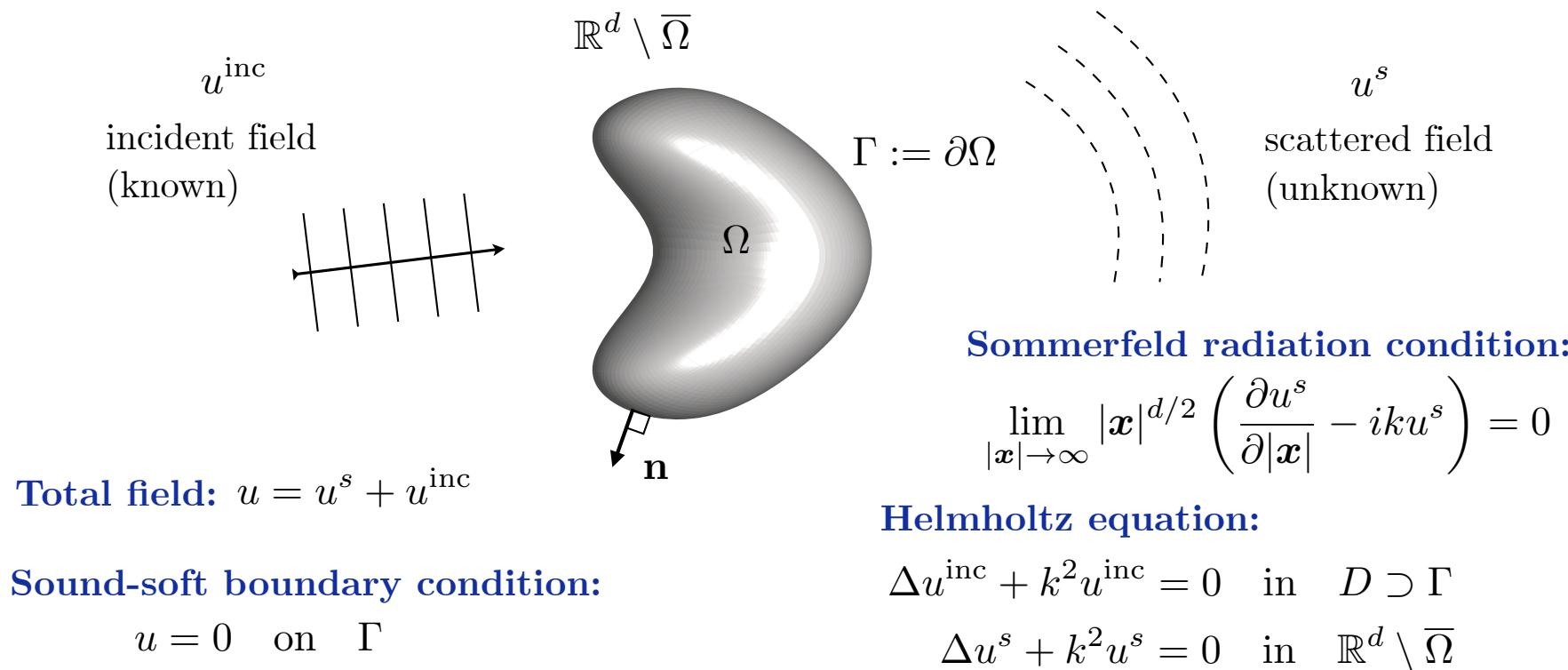
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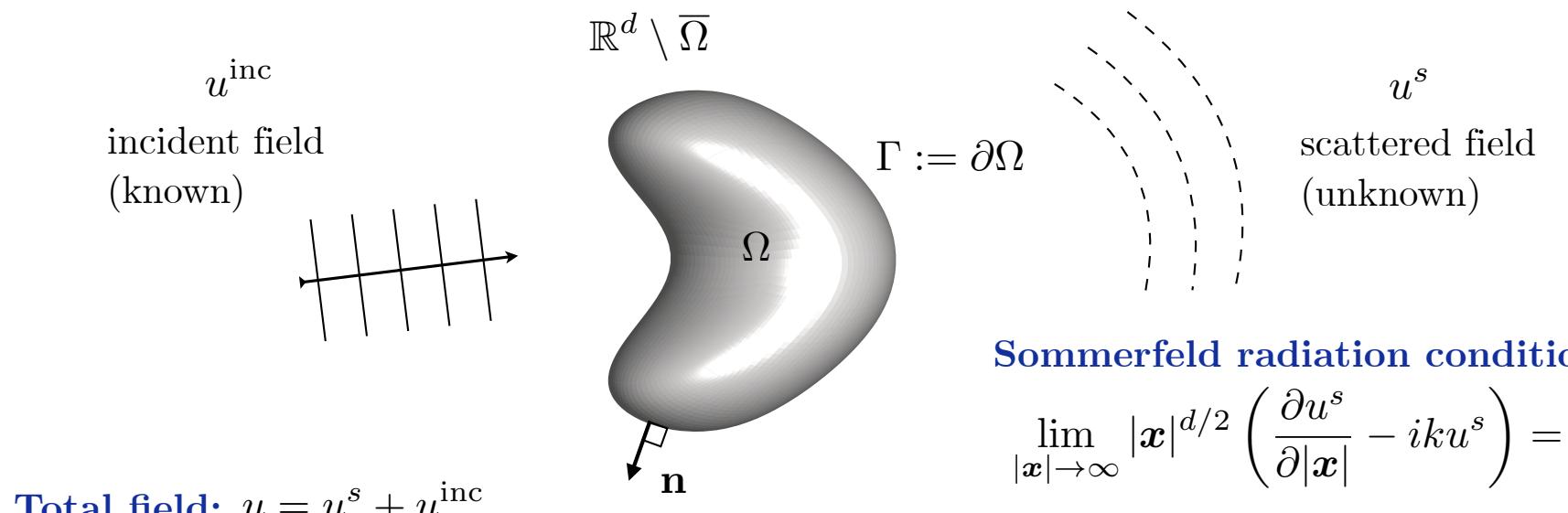
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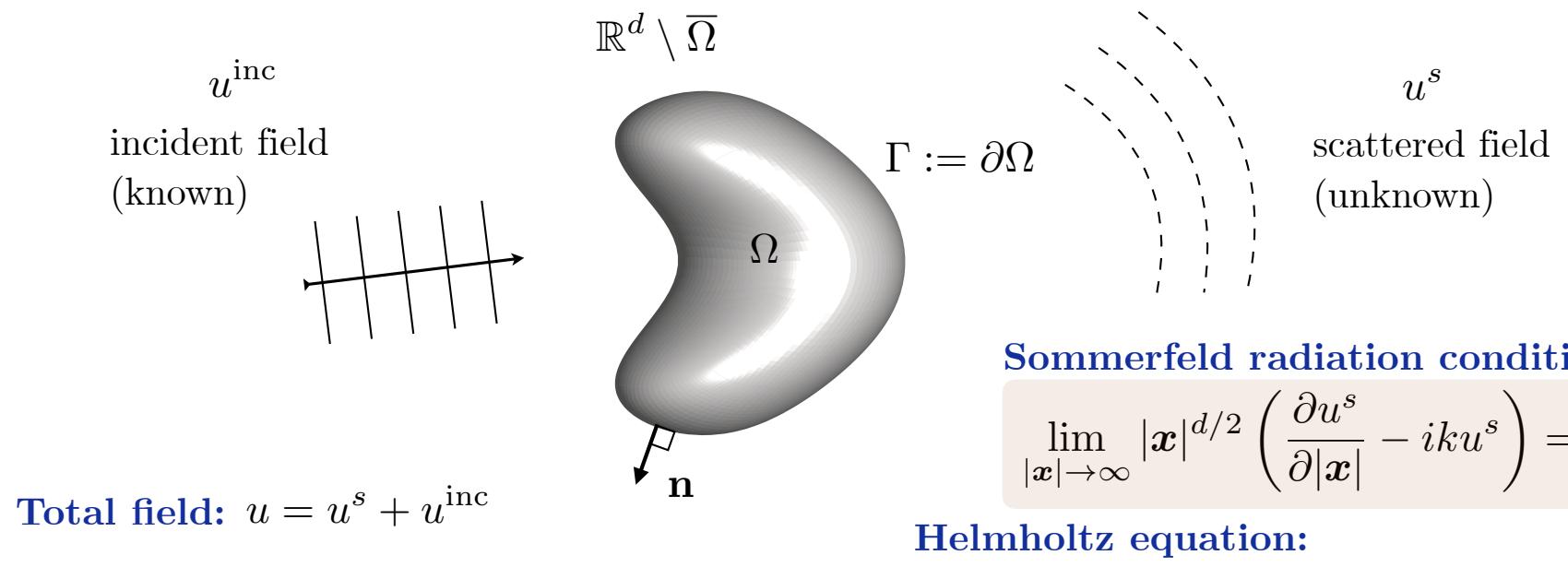
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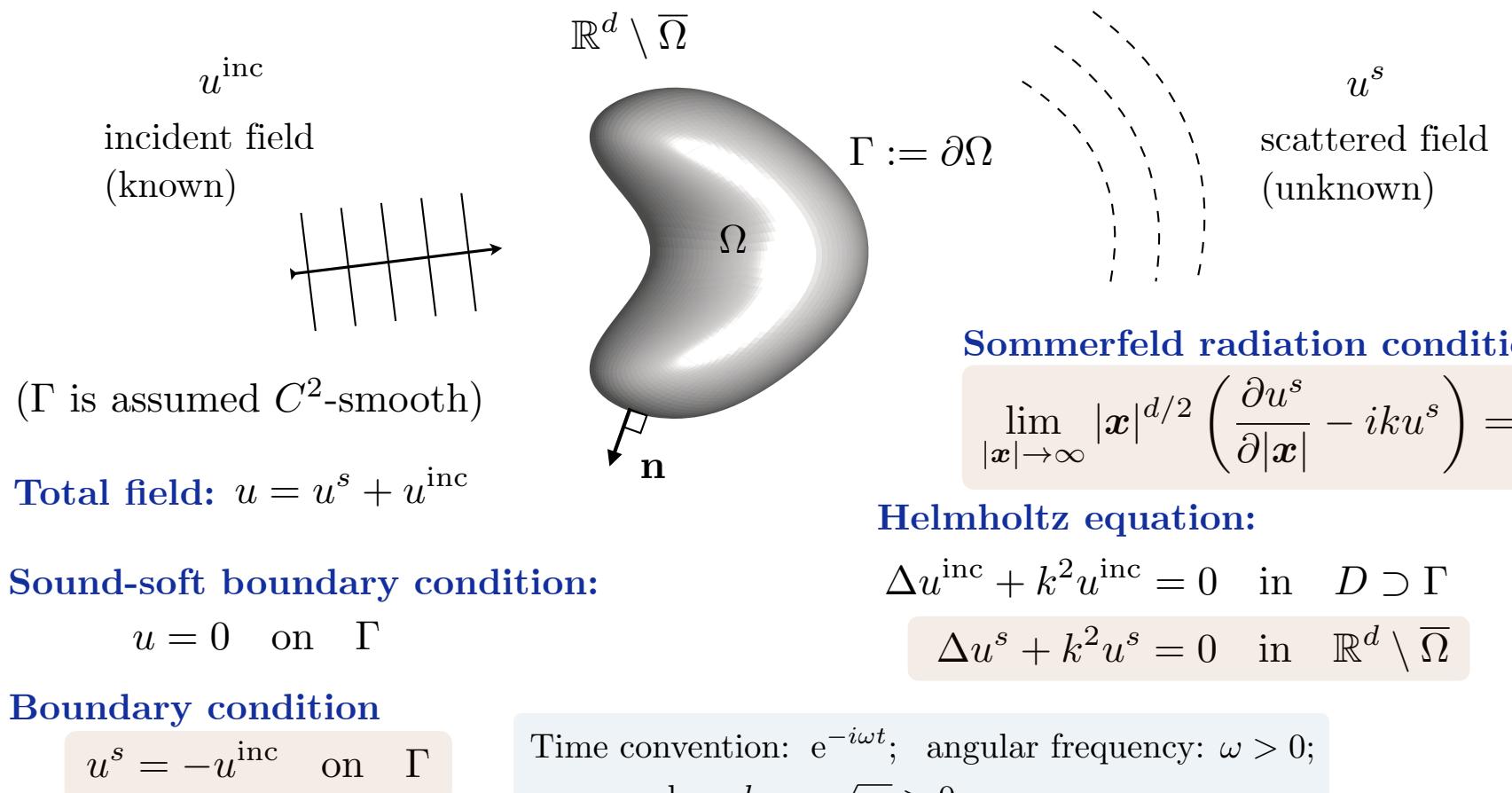
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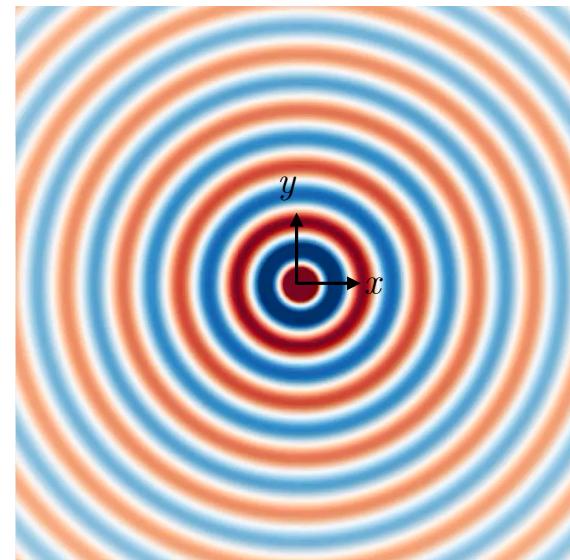
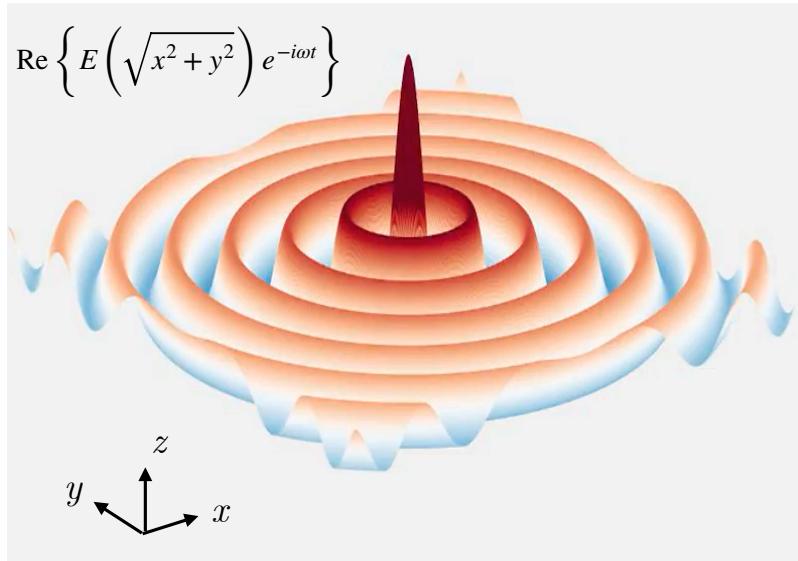
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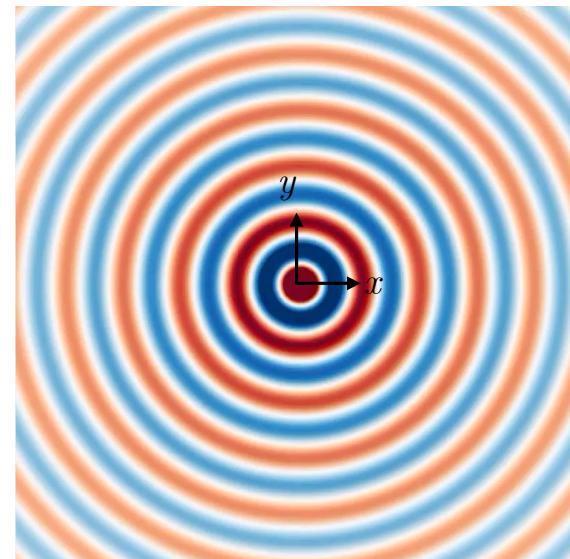
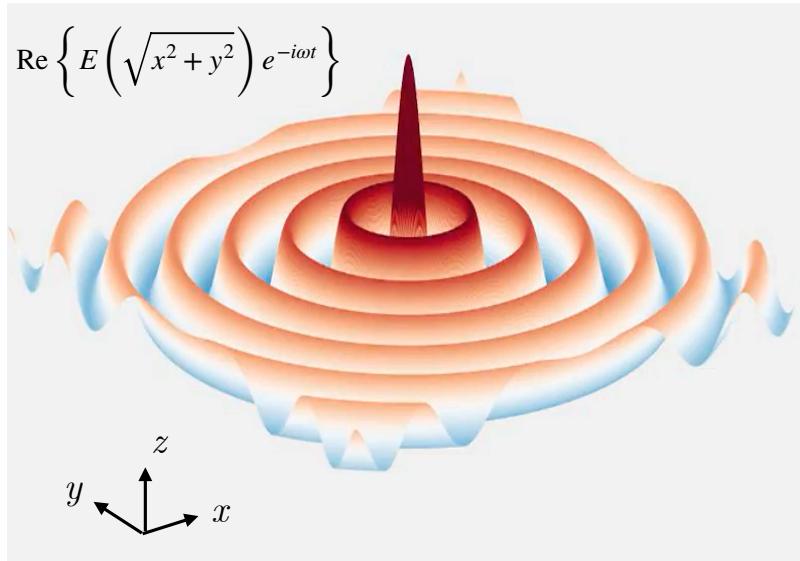


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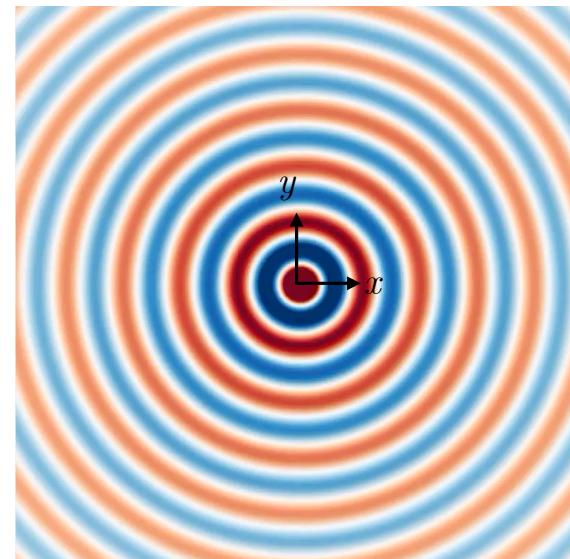
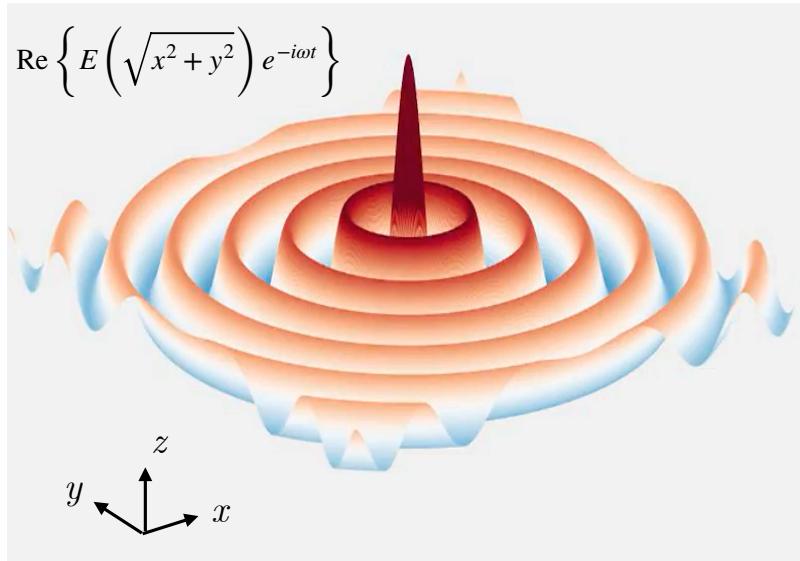


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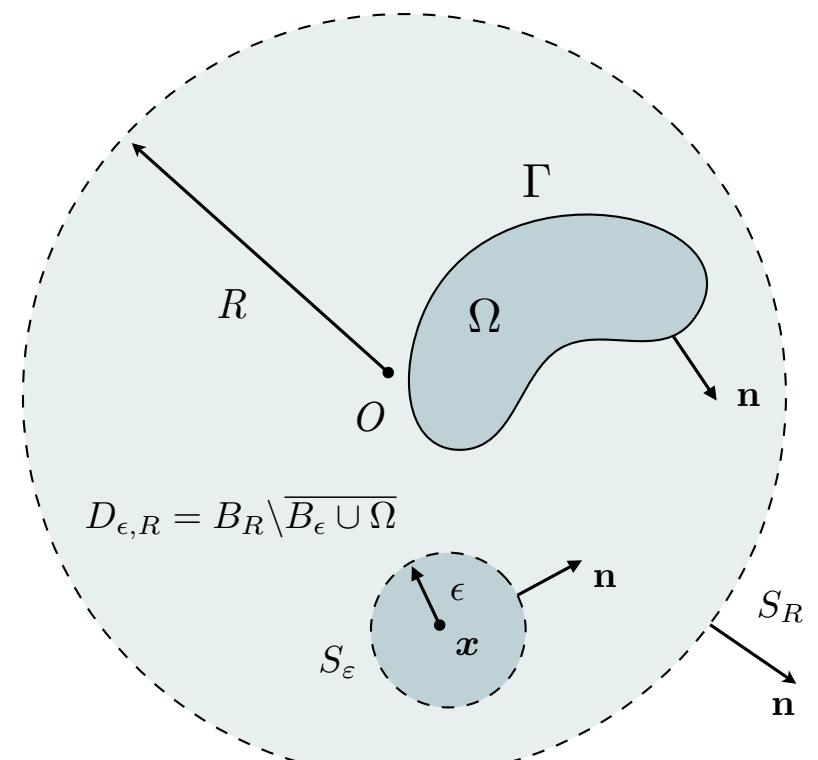
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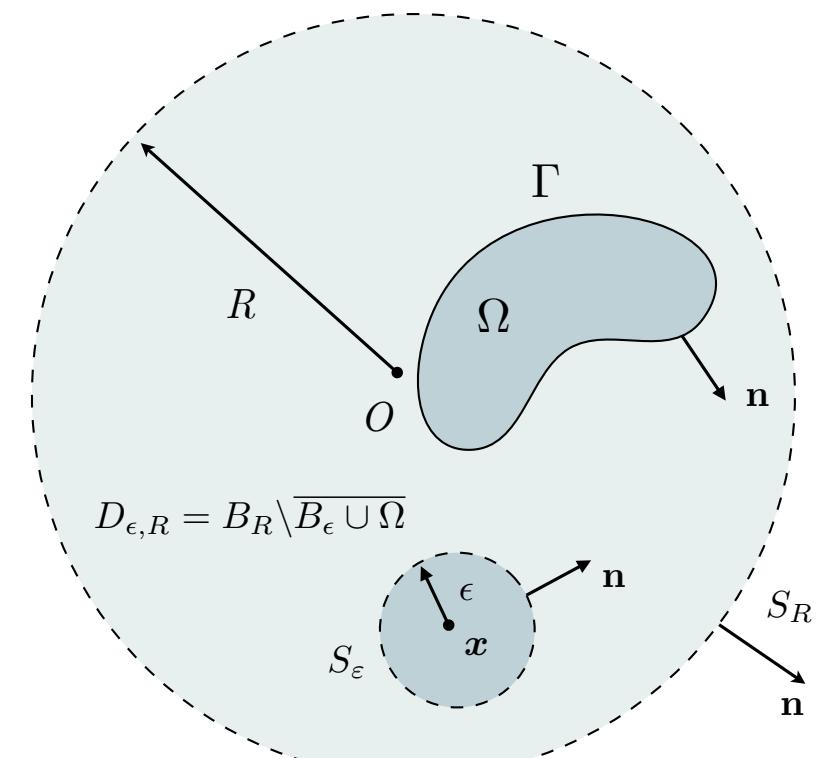
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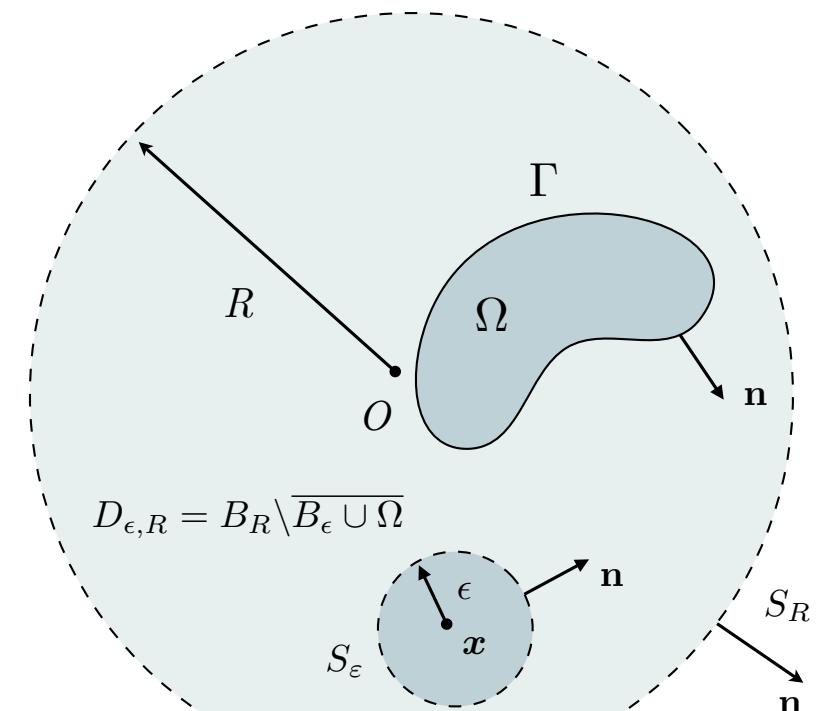
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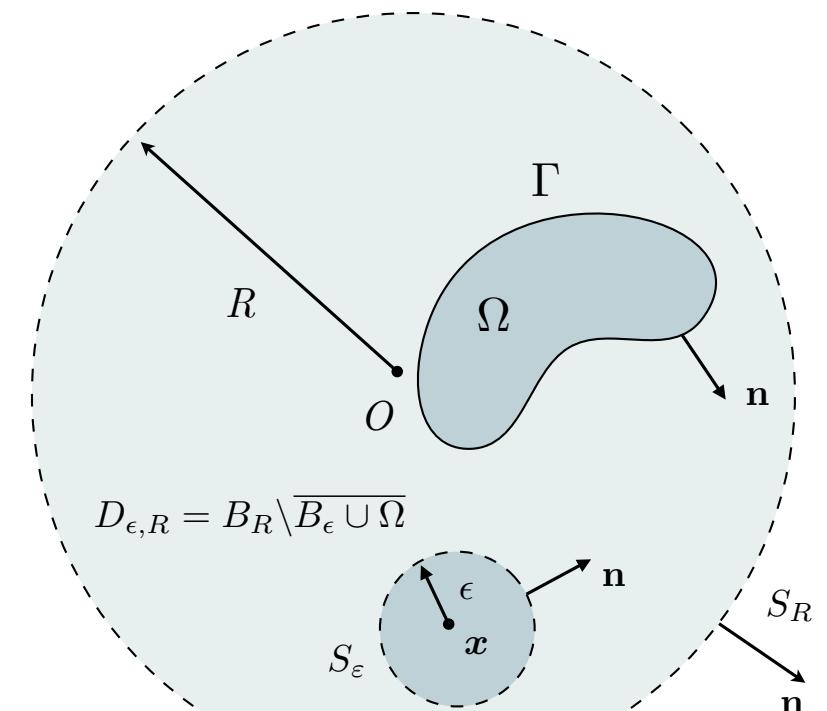
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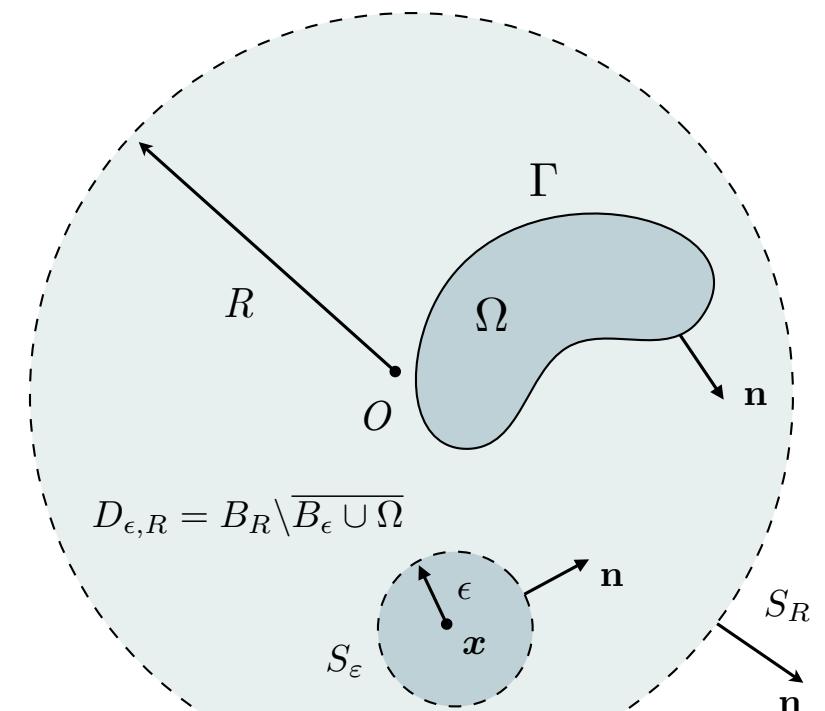
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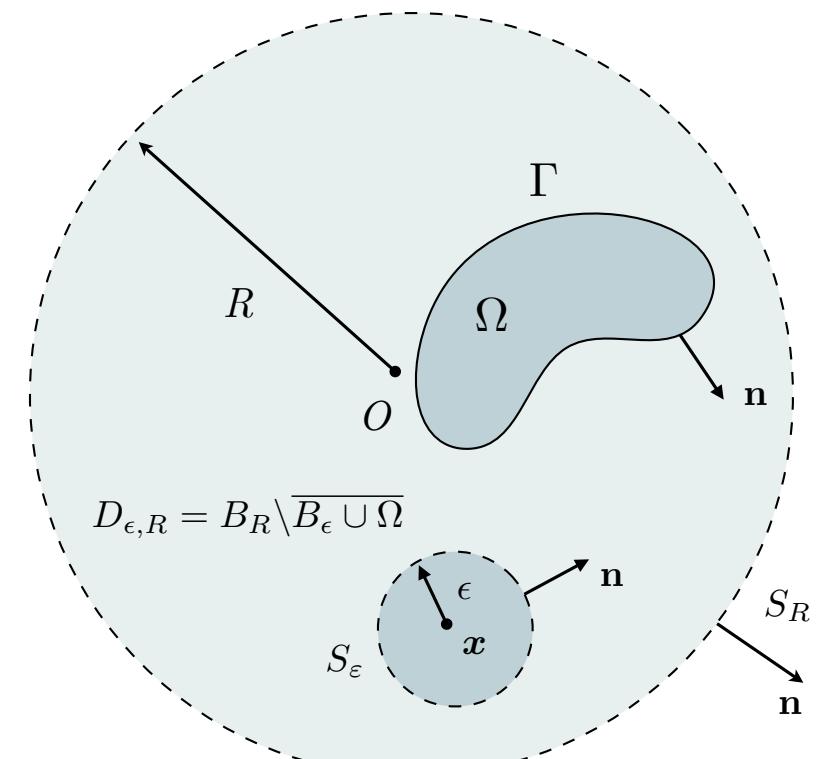
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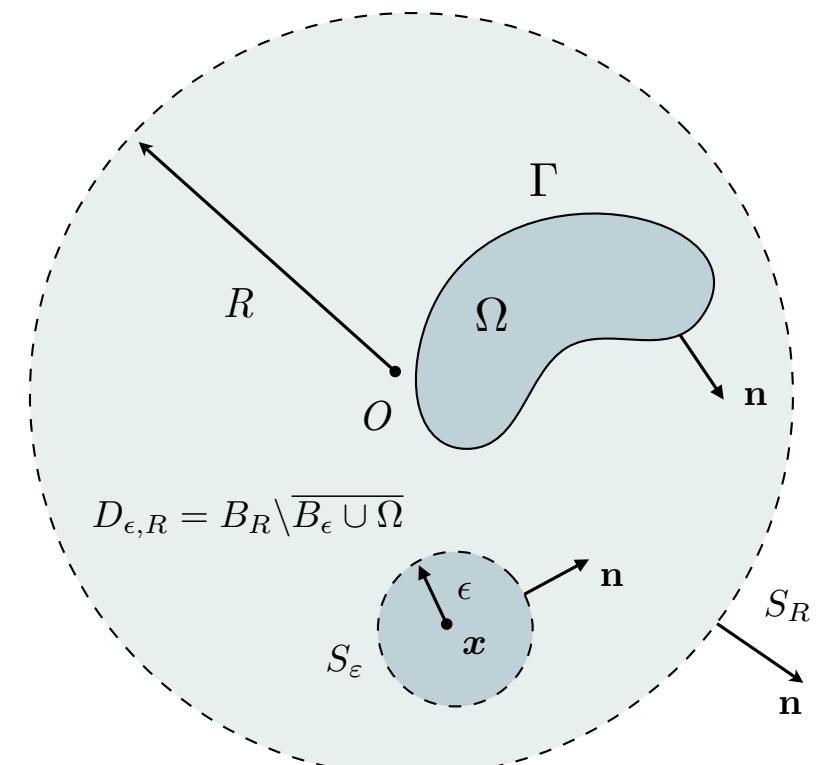
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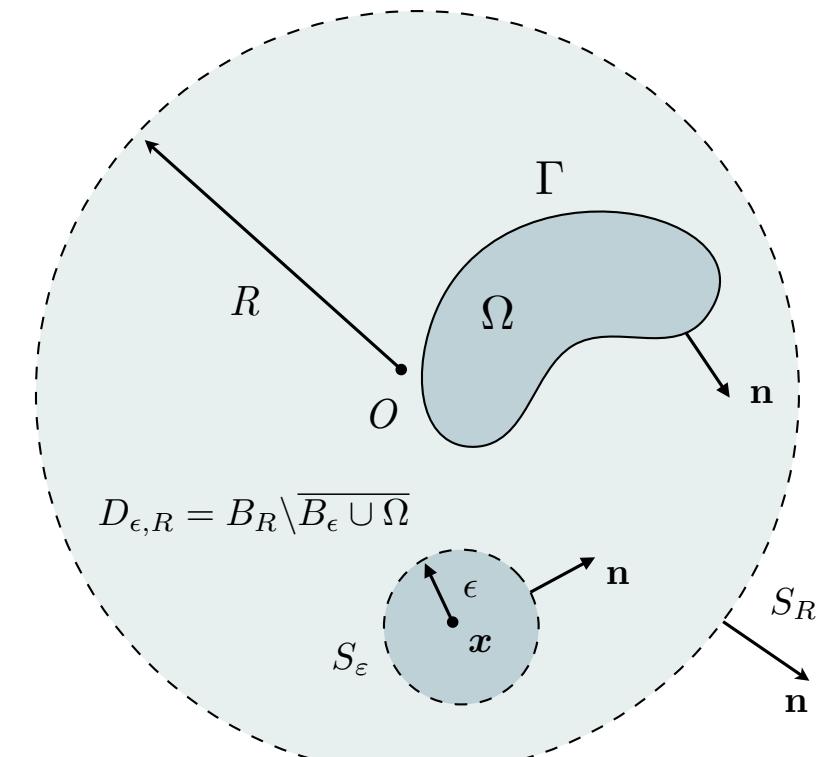
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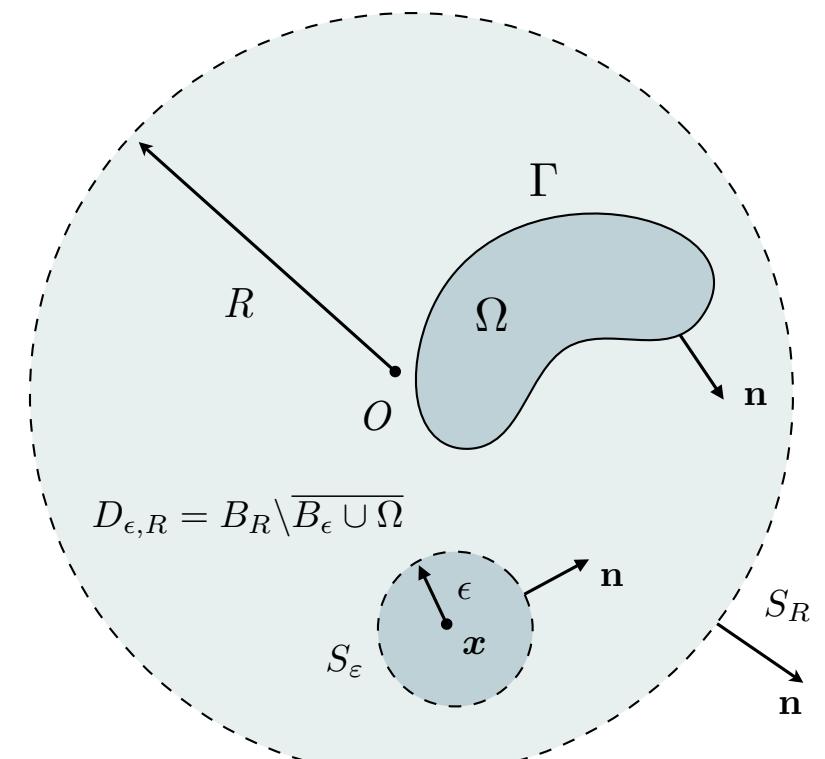
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Sommerfeld R.C.: $o(R^{-1})$

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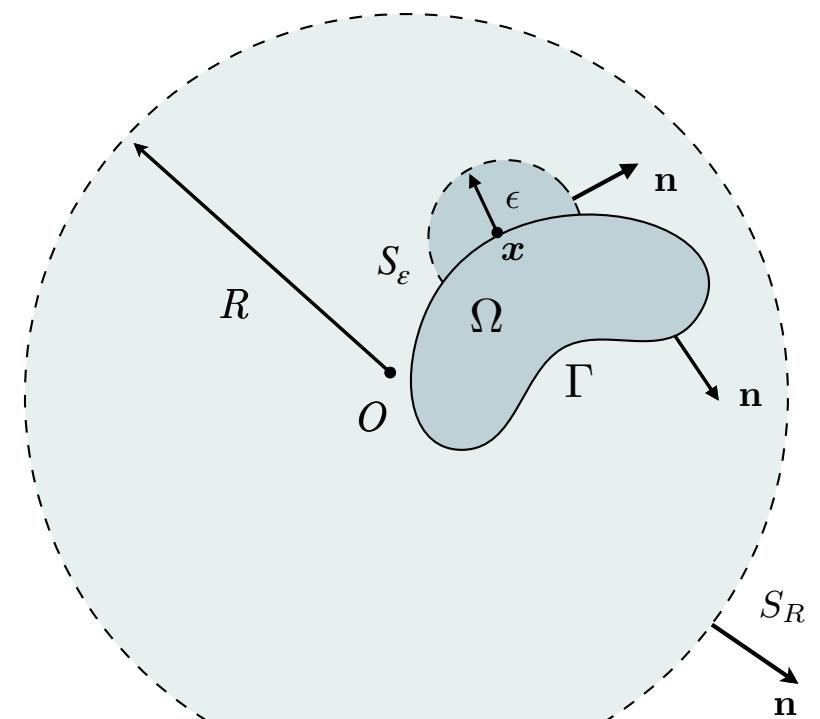
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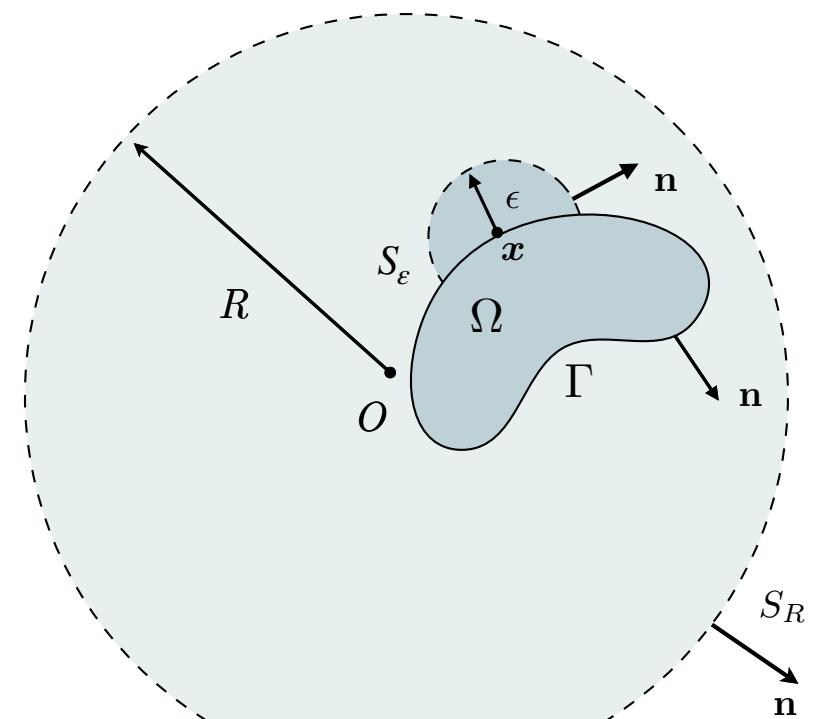
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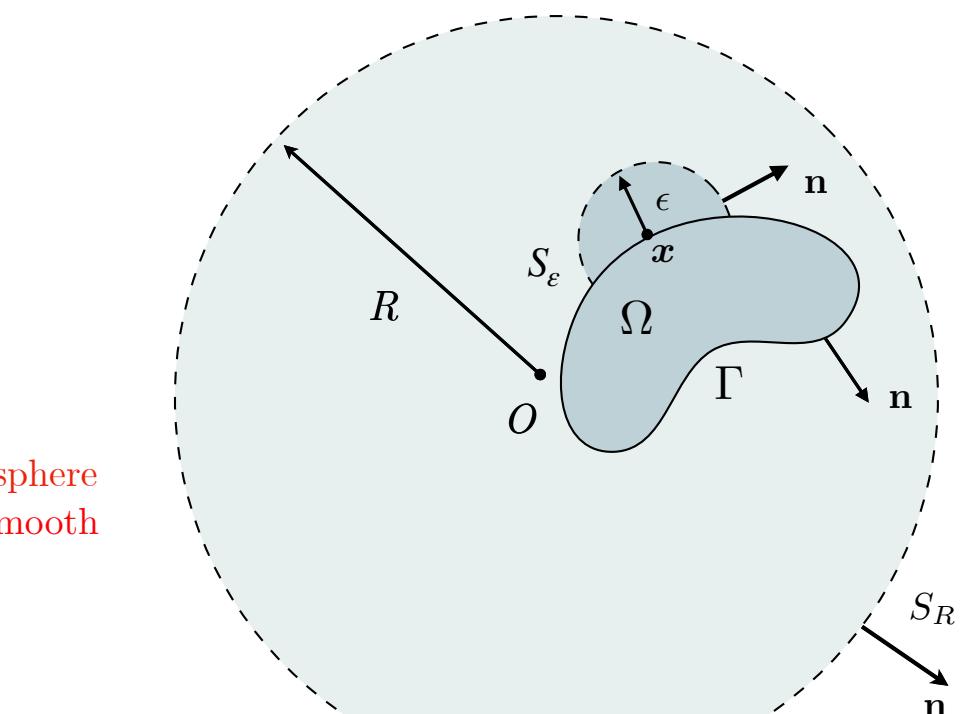
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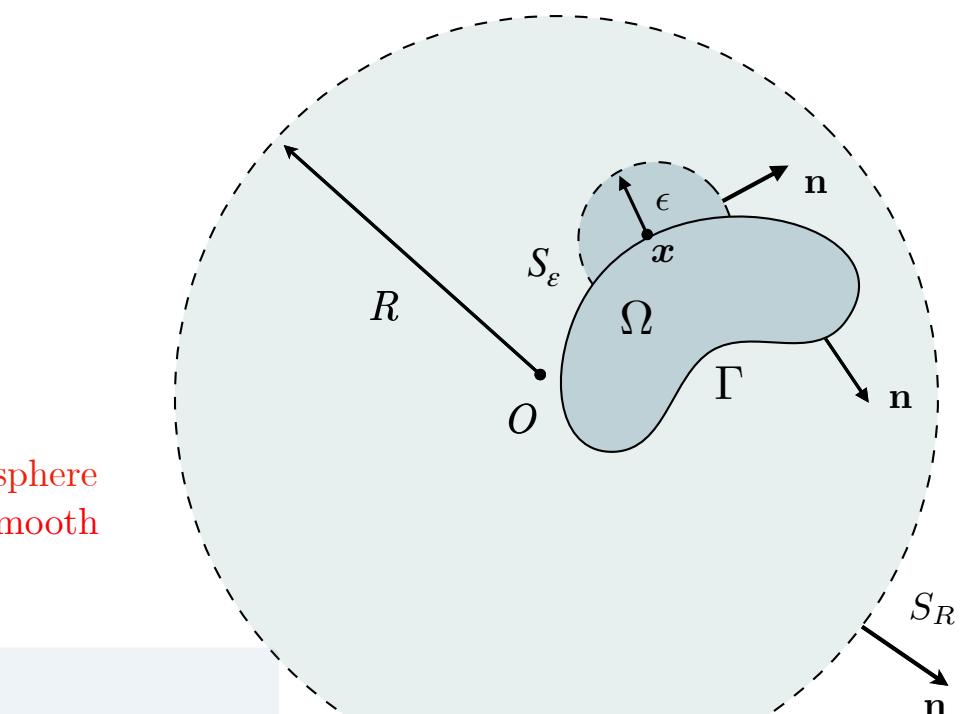
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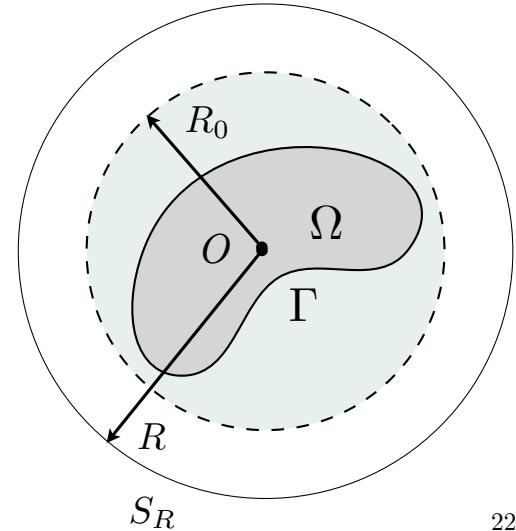
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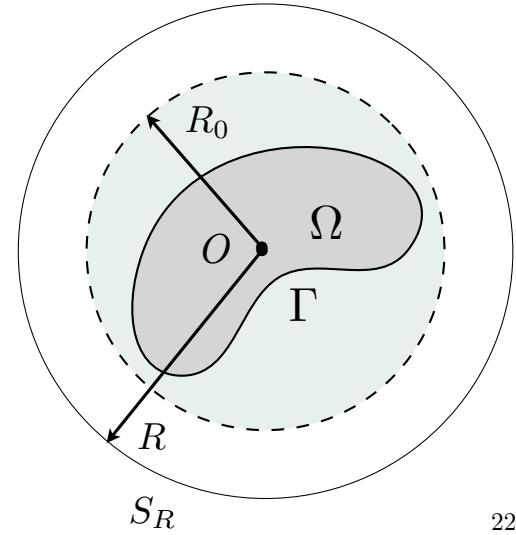
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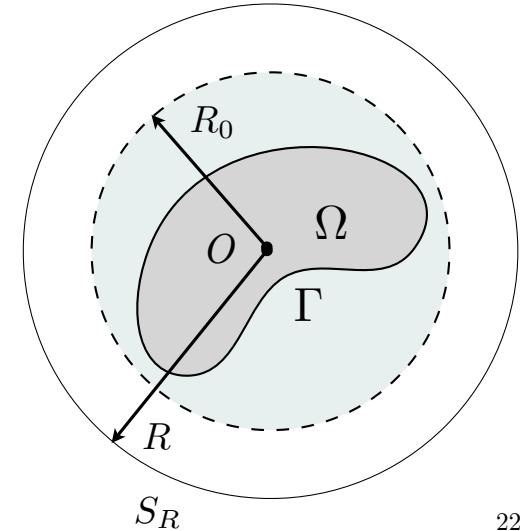
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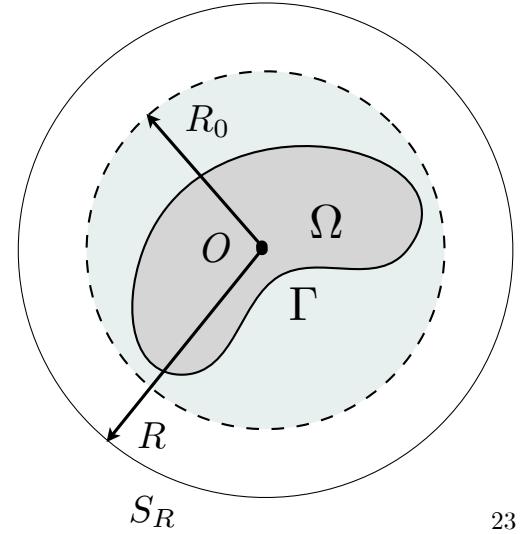
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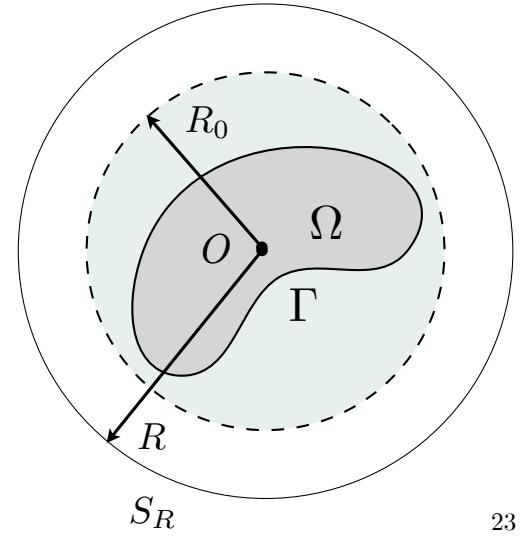
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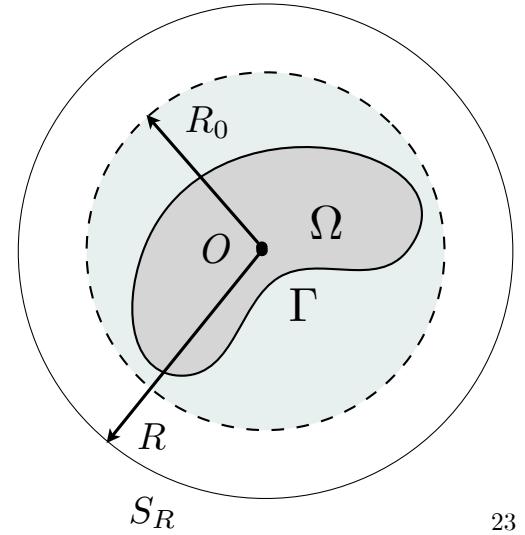
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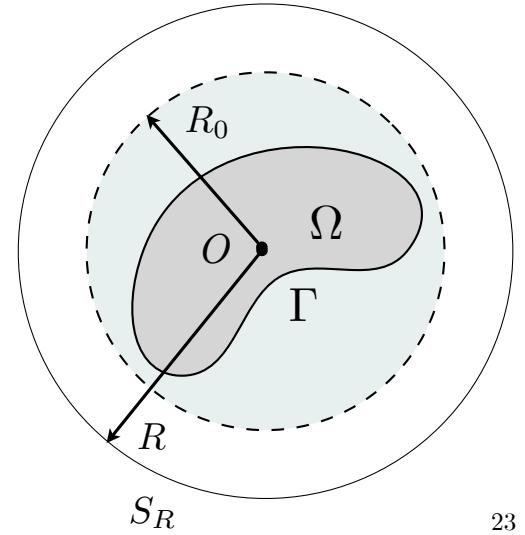
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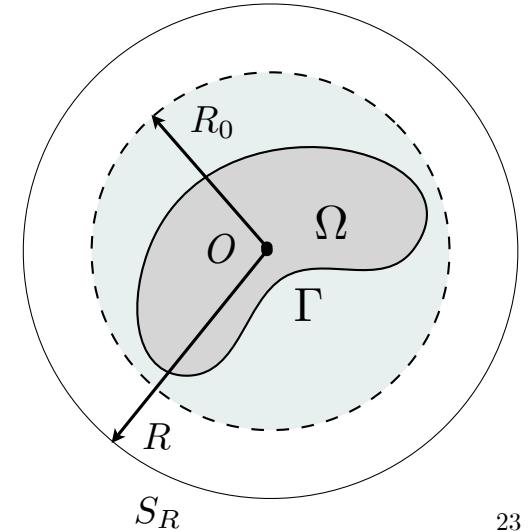
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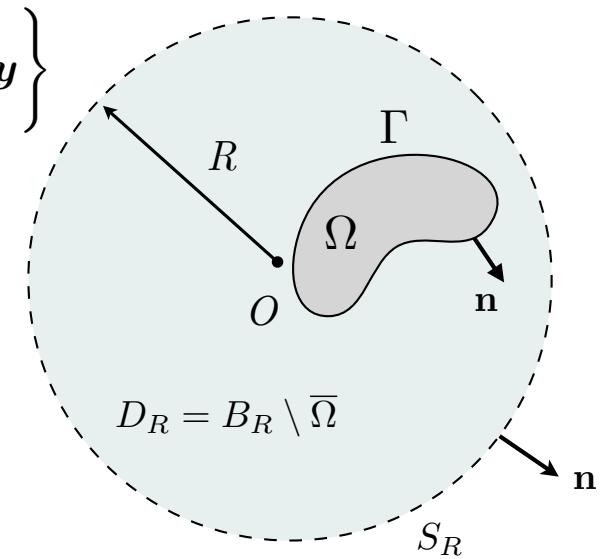
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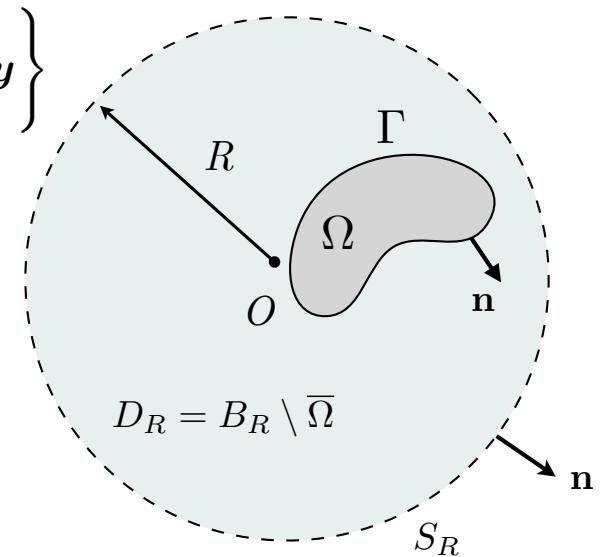
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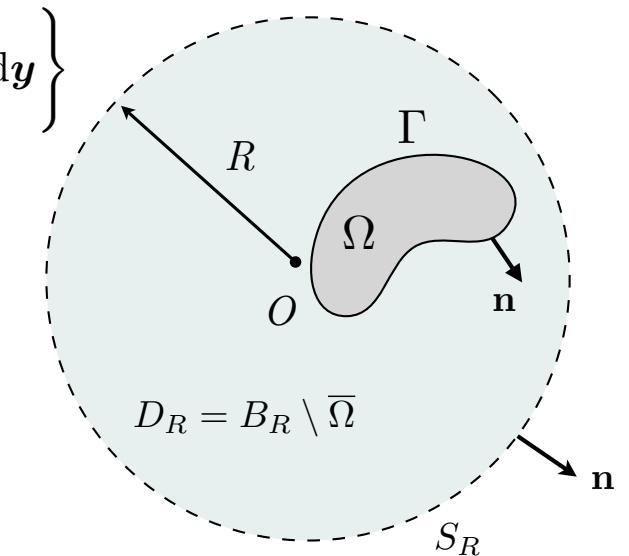
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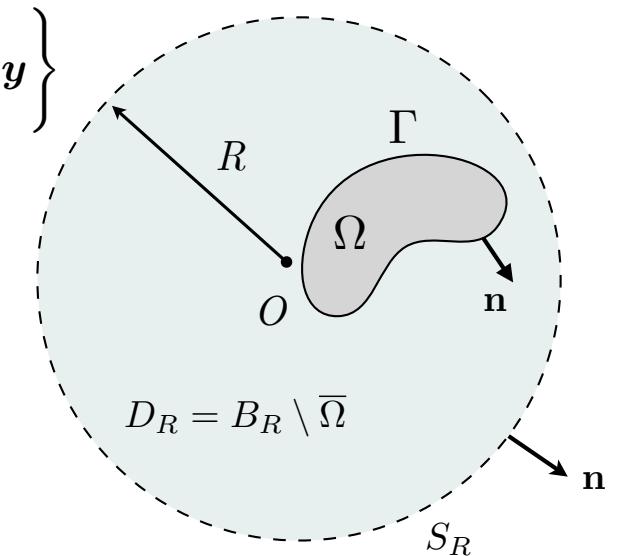
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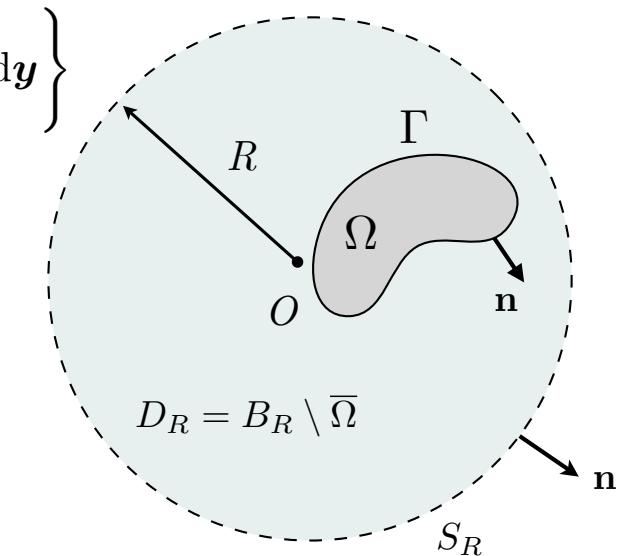
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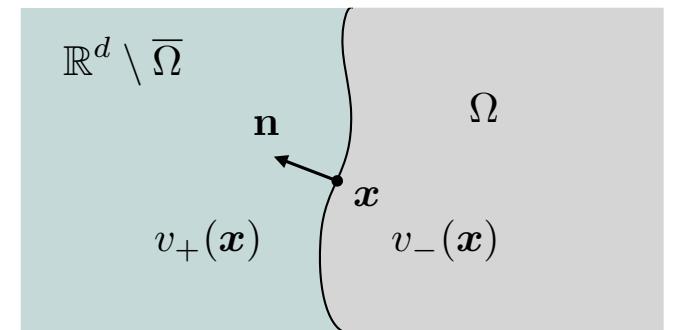
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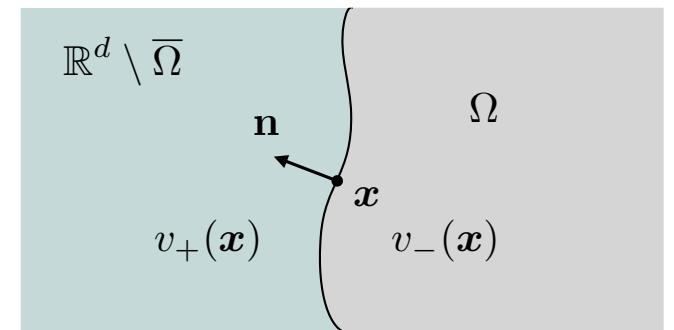
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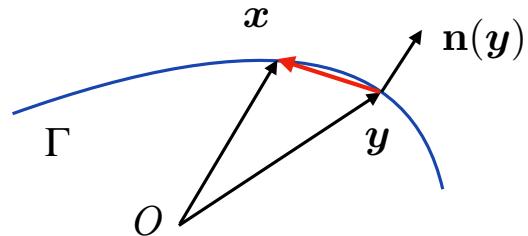
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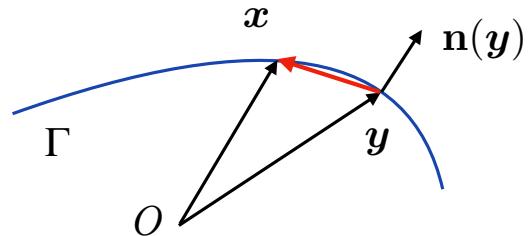


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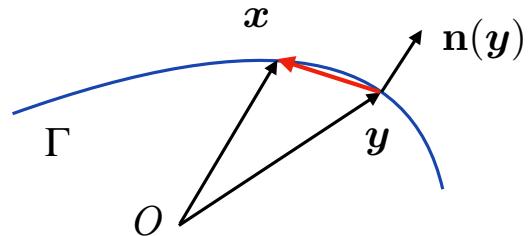
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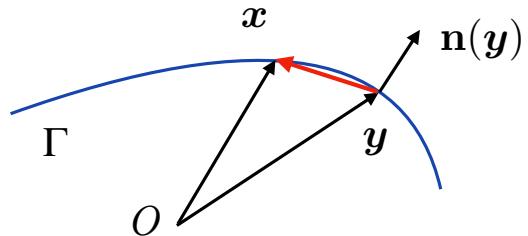
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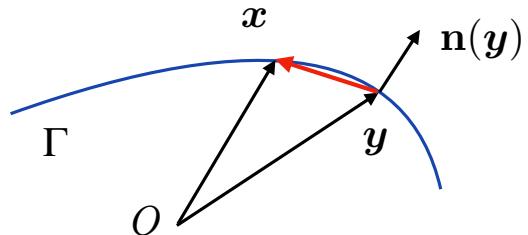
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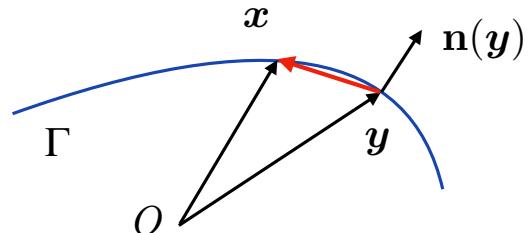
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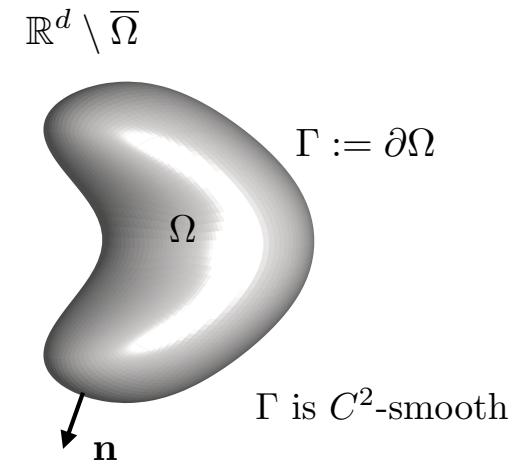
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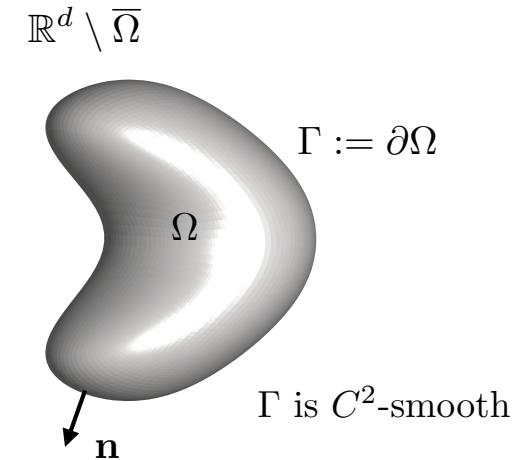
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Proof (cont.)

On the other hand, $\Delta u + k^2 u = 0$ in Ω , and its interior traces satisfy

$$u_- - u_+ = u_- = -\varphi, \quad \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial n} \right)_- - \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial n} \right)_+ = \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial n} \right)_- = -i\eta\varphi.$$

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Proof (first part, finite-dimensional case). Let X be a finite-dimensional Banach space and $M := I - \lambda A : X \rightarrow X$. If $\ker M = \{0\}$, the rank-nullity theorem gives

$$\dim \mathcal{R}(M) = \dim X,$$

so M is surjective. Hence M is bijective, and in finite dimensions any bijective linear map is bounded with a bounded inverse. Therefore M is invertible, and for every $y \in X$ the equation $(I - \lambda A)x = y$ admits the unique solution $x = (I - \lambda A)^{-1}y$.

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Returning to the problem of interest, we conclude that

$$u(\mathbf{x}) = (\mathcal{D} - i\eta \mathcal{S})\varphi(\mathbf{x}) = \int_{\Gamma} \left\{ \frac{\partial G(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})}{\partial n(\mathbf{y})} - i\eta G(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \right\} \varphi(\mathbf{y}) \, ds(\mathbf{y}), \quad \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d \setminus \overline{\Omega},$$

where $\varphi \in C(\Gamma)$ is the solution of the **CFIE**, is the unique solution of the problem of scattering:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta u + k^2 u &= 0 && \text{in } \mathbb{R}^d \setminus \overline{\Omega}, \\ u &= f && \text{on } \Gamma, \\ \lim_{|\mathbf{x}| \rightarrow \infty} |\mathbf{x}|^{(d-1)/2} \left\{ \frac{\partial u}{\partial |\mathbf{x}|} - iku \right\} &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

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