

Integral equations for composite structures

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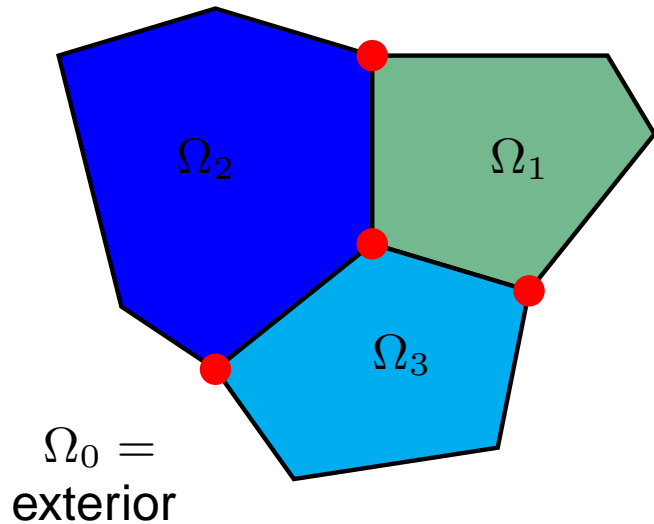
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Multi-subdomain scattering problem



Geometry

$\Omega_j =$ Lipschitz open set
with $\Omega_j \cap \Omega_k = \emptyset$ si $j \neq k$
and Ω_j borné si $j \neq 0$

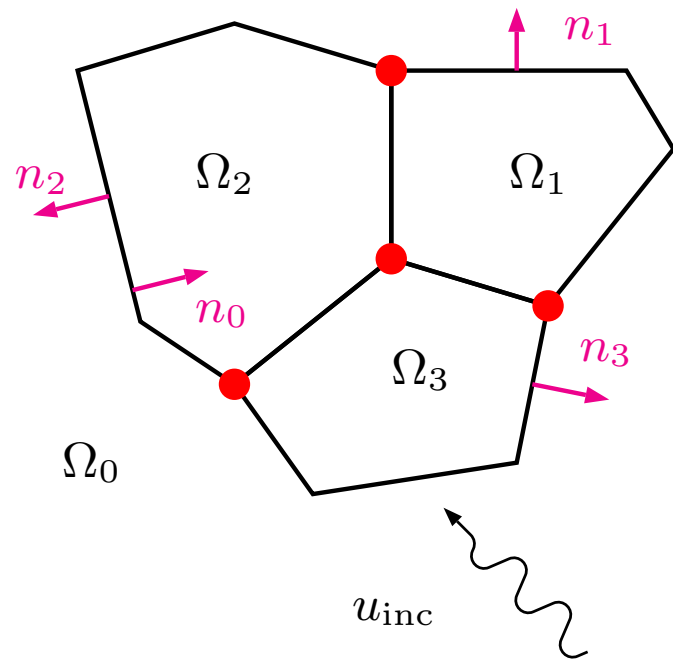
$$\mathbb{R}^d = \cup_{j=0}^n \bar{\Omega}_j$$

$$\Gamma = \cup_{j=0}^n \partial\Omega_j \quad (\text{skeleton})$$

Important: different from the case of an homogeneous scatterer

- 3 subdomains (or more) may be adjacent to each other.
- the skeleton Γ is not an orientable surface.

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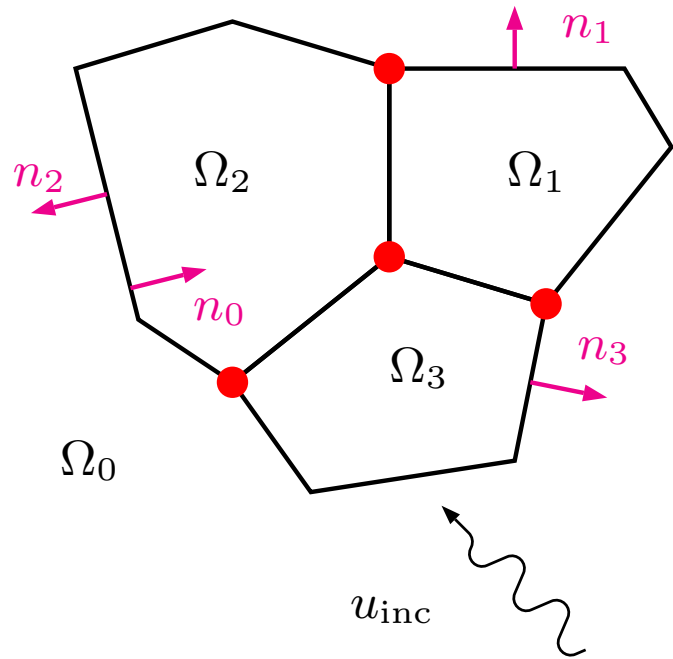
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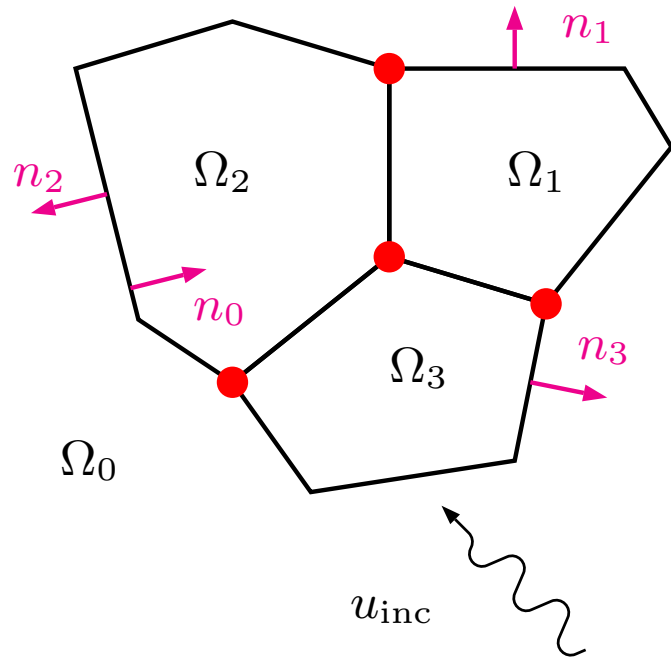
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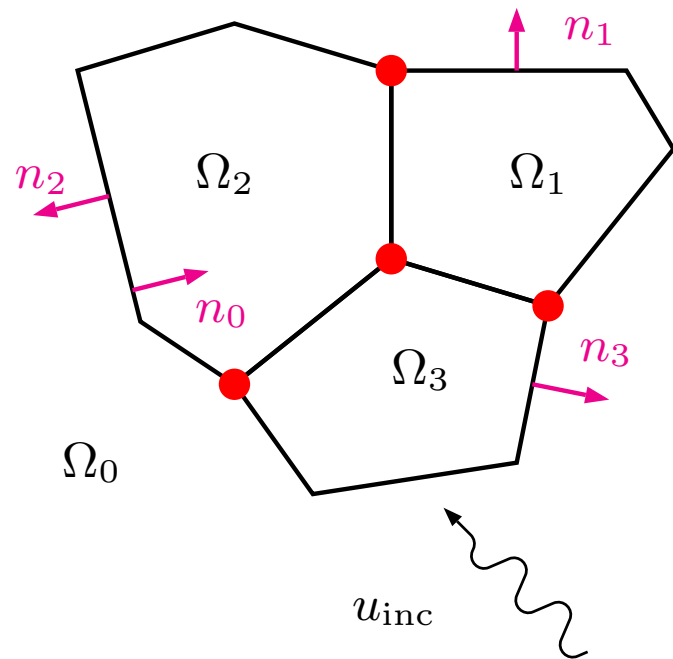
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We want to solve this problem by means of a **boundary element method (BEM)** constructed upon a suitable integral equation.

Preconditioning issue with integral equations

The preconditioning issue

Boundary element methods imply the inversion of **fully populated linear systems**. For industrial applications, iterative solvers become mandatory. Unfortunately, **high resolution BEM induce poorly conditioned matrices** (except with 2nd kind integral equations. . .), so that iterative solvers turn inefficient unless some preconditionner is used.

The Calderón preconditionner

In the case of **homogeneous scatterers treated with 1st kind boundary integral equations**, the **Calderón preconditionner** has emerged as a popular and efficient preconditioning strategy for a reasonable frequency range.

[Steinbach & Wendland, 1998], [Christiansen & Nédélec, 2000], [Antoine & Boubendir, 2008], [Cools, Andriulli & Olyslager, 2009],. . .

Main idea: the 1st kind integral operator A of the scattering pb satisfies

$$A \cdot A \simeq \text{Id} + \text{compact} \quad (\text{due to } \text{Calderón formula}).$$

As **Id + compact = "easy to solve with an iterative solver"** (in many cases. . .), this suggests A as preconditionner for itslef.

Main difficulty and literature

Main objective: Devise an **accurate boundary element method posed on Γ** that lends itself to the **Calderón preconditioning strategy**.

Main difficulty: In the **case of homogeneous scatterer**, the derivation of classical integral equations relies on some orientation of interfaces. In our case, the **skeleton Γ** is not orientable.

Already available:

- **Rumsey principle/PMCHWT = "single trace formulation"**
- **Boundary element tearing and interconnecting method (BETI)**
[Steinbach & Windisch, 2010], [Langer & Steinbach, 2003], [Hsiao, Steinbach & Wendland, 2000], ...
- **Local multi-trace formulation [Jerez & Hiptmair, 2011].**

We present the **global multi-trace formulation**, another formulation where Calderón preconditioning is applicable.

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Notations for traces

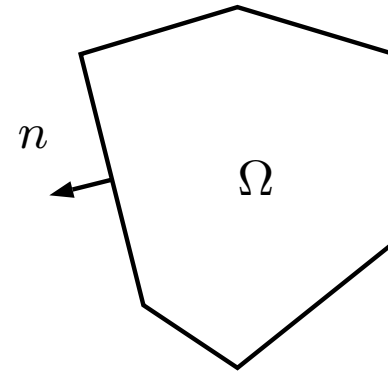
Ω = open Lipschitz set

$$\mathbb{H}(\partial\Omega) := H^{\frac{1}{2}}(\partial\Omega) \times H^{-\frac{1}{2}}(\partial\Omega).$$

Trace operator

$$\gamma(v) := \begin{bmatrix} v|_{\partial\Omega}^{\text{int}} \\ \partial_n v|_{\partial\Omega}^{\text{int}} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \gamma_c(v) := \begin{bmatrix} v|_{\partial\Omega}^{\text{ext}} \\ \partial_n v|_{\partial\Omega}^{\text{ext}} \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\{\gamma\} := \frac{1}{2}(\gamma + \gamma_c) \quad \text{and} \quad [\gamma] := \gamma - \gamma_c.$$



Representation theorem

Potential operator

$\mathcal{G}_\kappa(\mathbf{x}) := \exp(i\kappa|\mathbf{x}|)/(4\pi|\mathbf{x}|)$ = is the outgoing Green kernel for Helmholtz eq.

$$G_\kappa\left(\begin{bmatrix} v \\ q \end{bmatrix}\right)(\mathbf{x}) := \int_{\partial\Omega} q(\mathbf{y}) \mathcal{G}_\kappa(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) - v(\mathbf{y}) n(\mathbf{y}) \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{y}}(\mathcal{G}_\kappa(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})) d\sigma(\mathbf{y})$$

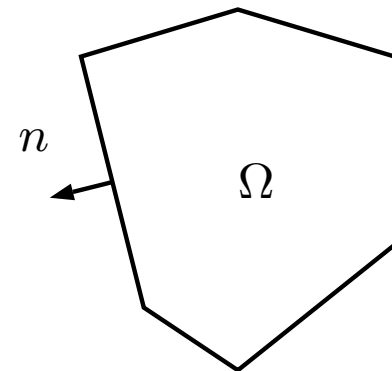
Theorem

If $u \in H_{\text{loc}}^1(\bar{\Omega})$ such that $\Delta u + \kappa^2 u = 0$ in Ω (+ u outgoing if Ω unbounded) then

$$G_\kappa(\gamma(u))(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} u(\mathbf{x}) & \text{if } \mathbf{x} \in \Omega \\ 0 & \text{if } \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \bar{\Omega} \end{cases}$$

Remark

$G_\kappa(V)(\mathbf{x})$ is solution to Helmholtz equation in $\mathbb{R}^d \setminus \partial\Omega$, for any $V = (v, q)$.



Calderón projector

Cauchy data local to Ω :

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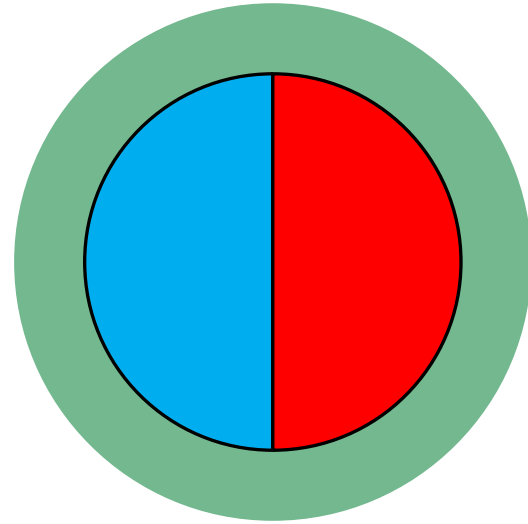
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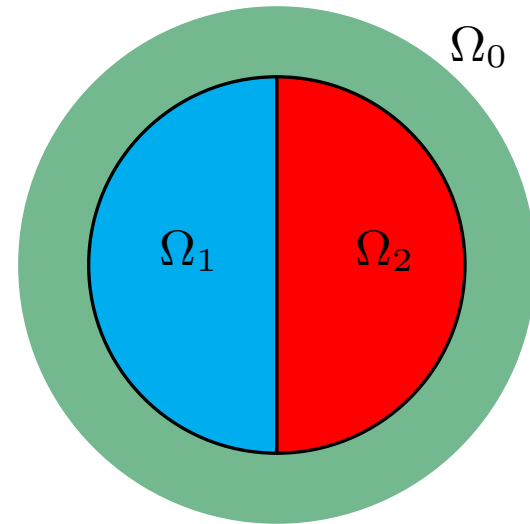


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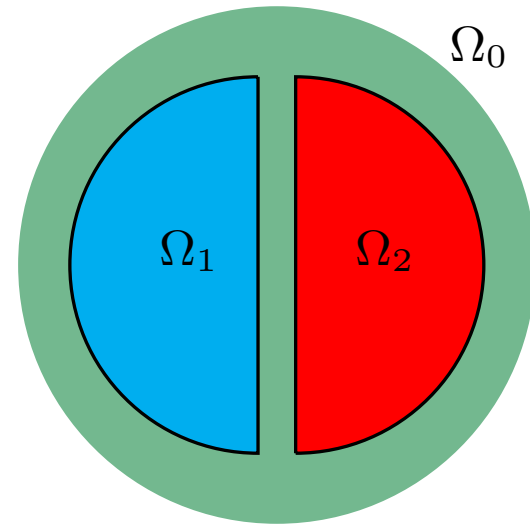
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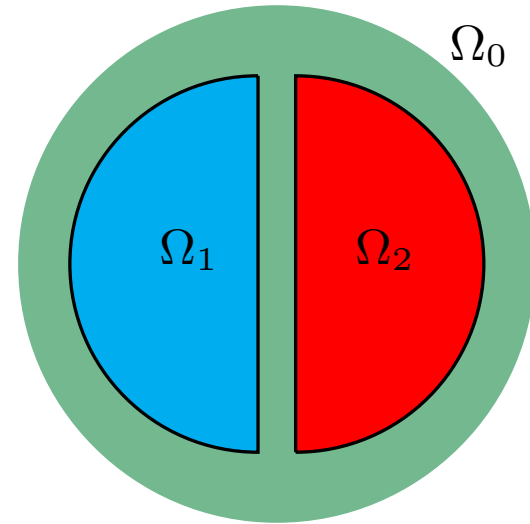
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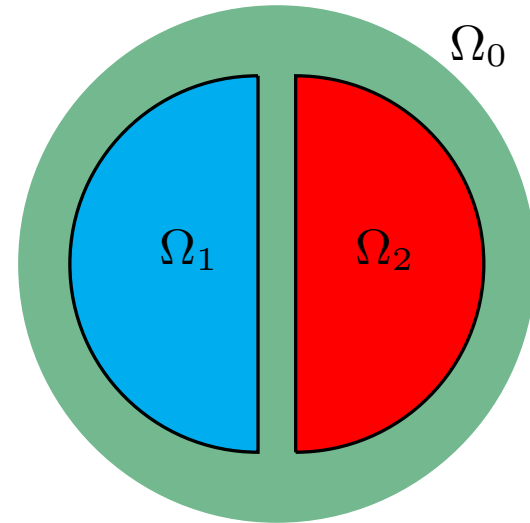
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transmission
conditions

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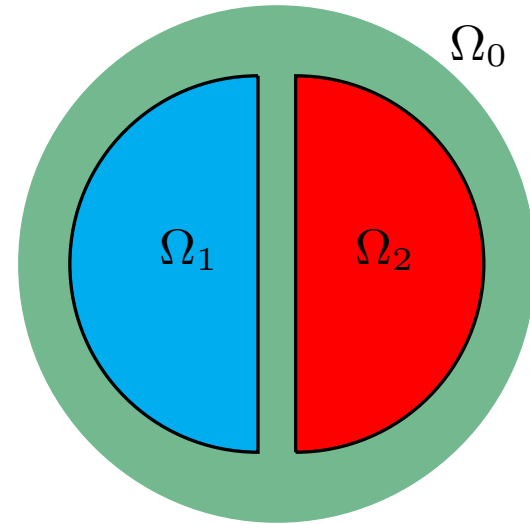
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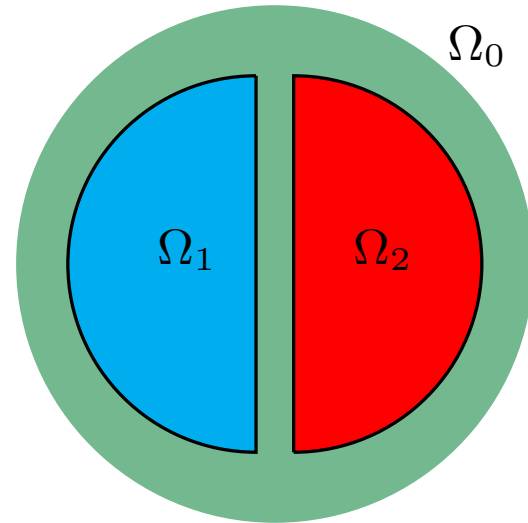
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Plugging transmission conditions in the 3rd Calderón identity yields:

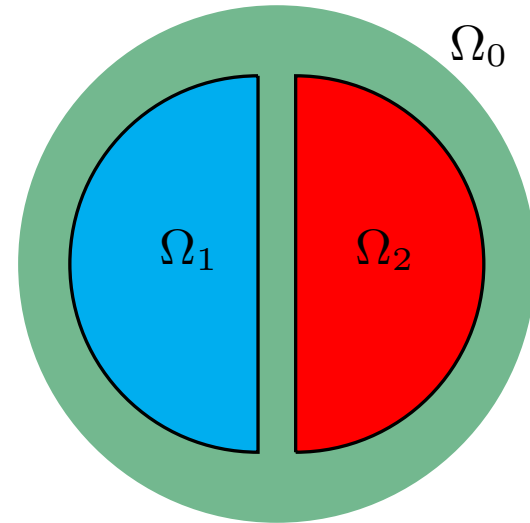
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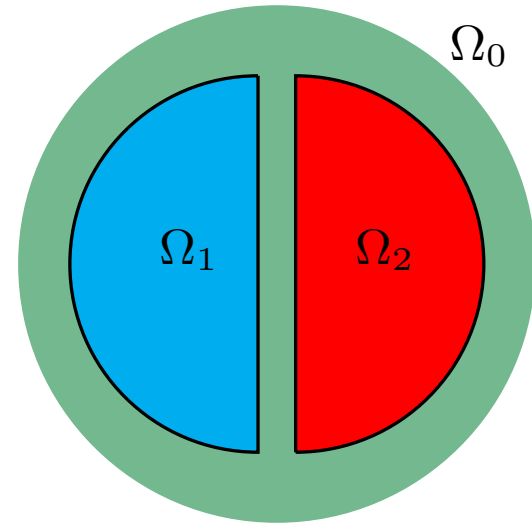
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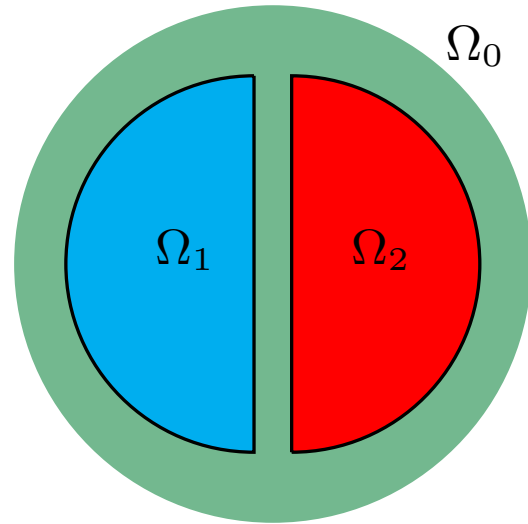


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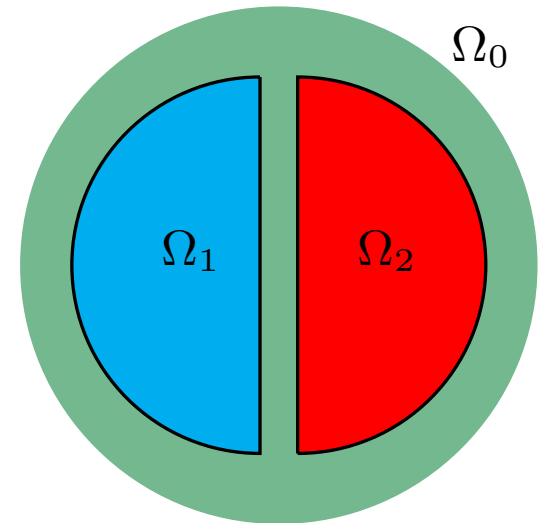
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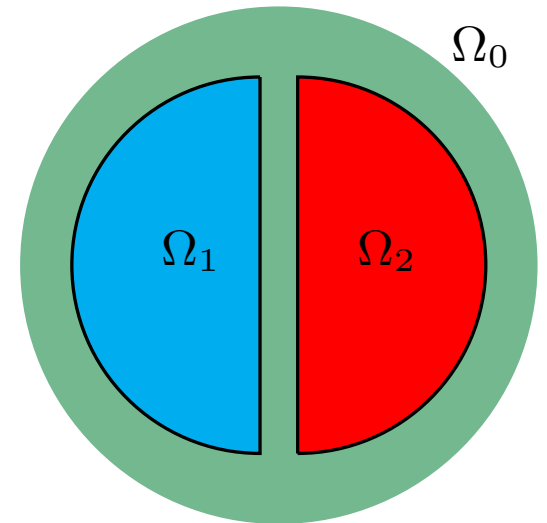
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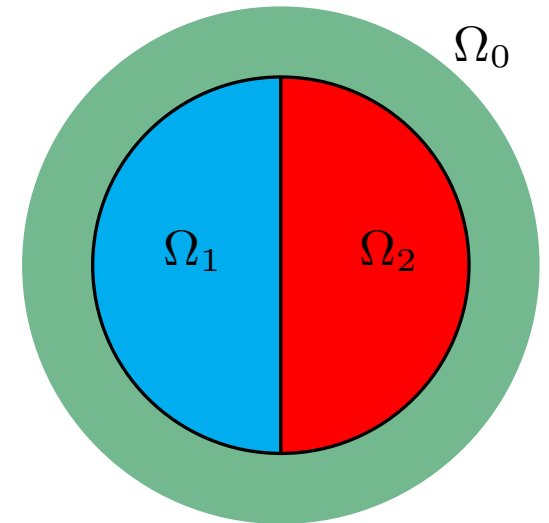
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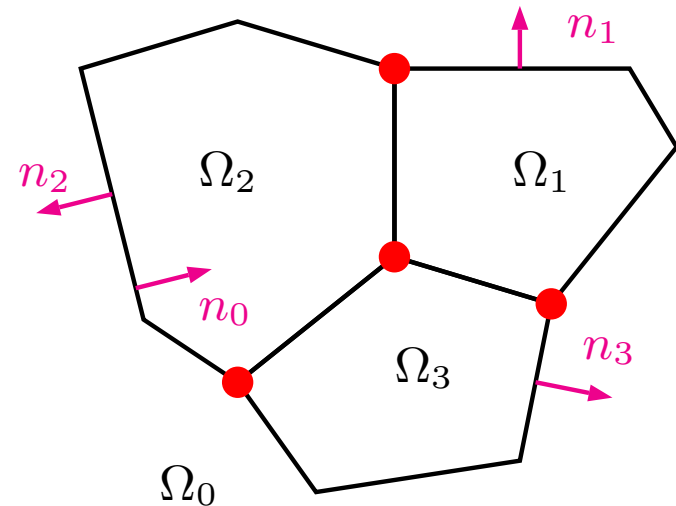
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Notations

$$\gamma^j = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma_D^j \\ \gamma_N^j \end{bmatrix} = \text{Dirichlet and Neumann traces on } \partial\Omega_j$$

$n_j =$ normal to $\partial\Omega_j$.

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We obtain our formulation as a modified Rumsey principle by **eliminating the contributions associated to Ω_0** .

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Three key results for the proof

Recall that:

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Proposition

$$\sum_{j=0}^n G_{\kappa_0}^j(U_j)(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \quad \forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d, \quad \forall U = (U_0, \dots, U_n) \in \mathbb{X}(\Gamma).$$

Theorem

$$\mathbb{H}(\Gamma) = \mathbb{X}(\Gamma) \oplus \mathcal{C}_\kappa(\Gamma) \quad \text{where} \quad \mathcal{C}_\kappa(\Gamma) = \mathcal{C}_{\kappa_0}(\partial\Omega_0) \times \dots \times \mathcal{C}_{\kappa_n}(\partial\Omega_n)$$

Proposition

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Remarkable properties

Notation:

$$\Theta \left(\left(\begin{array}{c} u_j \\ p_j \end{array} \right)_{1 \leq j \leq n} \right) = \left(\begin{array}{c} -\bar{u}_j \\ \bar{p}_j \end{array} \right)_{1 \leq j \leq n}$$

Generalized Gårding inequality

For any $\kappa_0, \dots, \kappa_n \in \mathbb{R}_+$, the operator $\hat{A}_\kappa : \hat{\mathbb{H}}(\Gamma) \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{H}}(\Gamma)$ is an isomorphism and $\exists C > 0$ and $\exists K : \hat{\mathbb{H}}(\Gamma) \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{H}}(\Gamma)$ compact such that

$$\Re \{ \hat{B}((\hat{A}_\kappa + K)\hat{U}, \Theta(\hat{U})) \} \geq C \|\hat{U}\|_{\hat{\mathbb{H}}}^2 \quad \forall \hat{U} \in \hat{\mathbb{H}}(\Gamma)$$

Consequence:

Quasi-optimal convergence of conforming Galerkin discretizations.

Calderón identity

If $\kappa_0 = \dots = \kappa_n$ we have: $(\hat{A}_\kappa)^2 = \text{Id}$.

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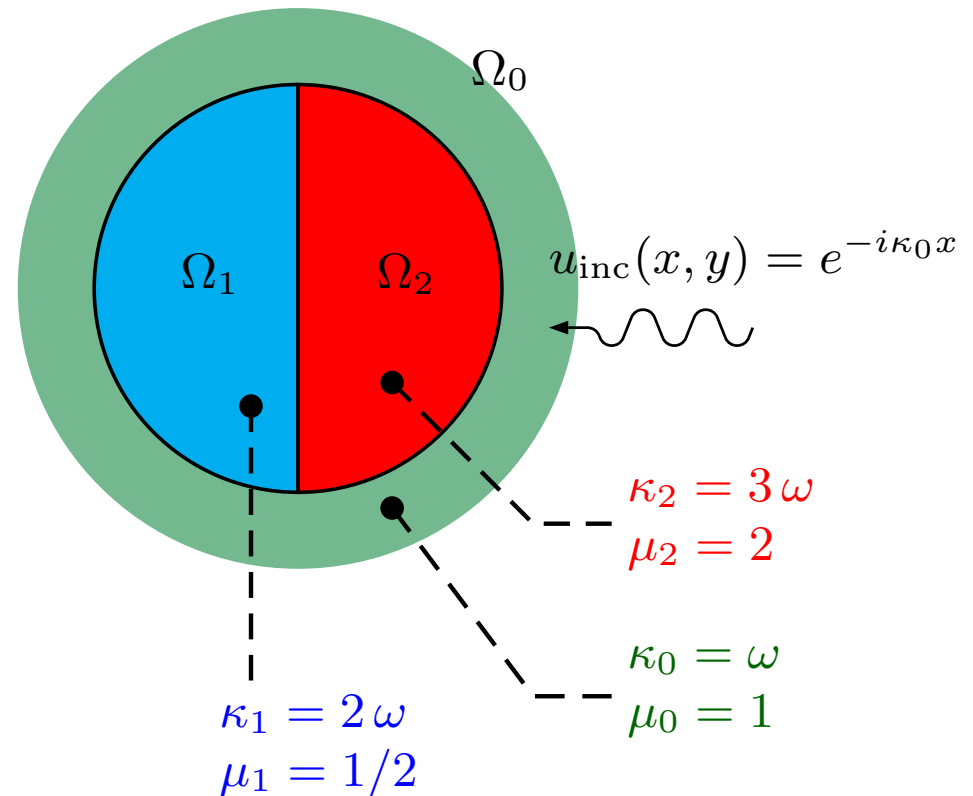
Propagation medium

$$\overline{\Omega}_1 \cup \overline{\Omega}_2 = \overline{D}(0, 1)$$

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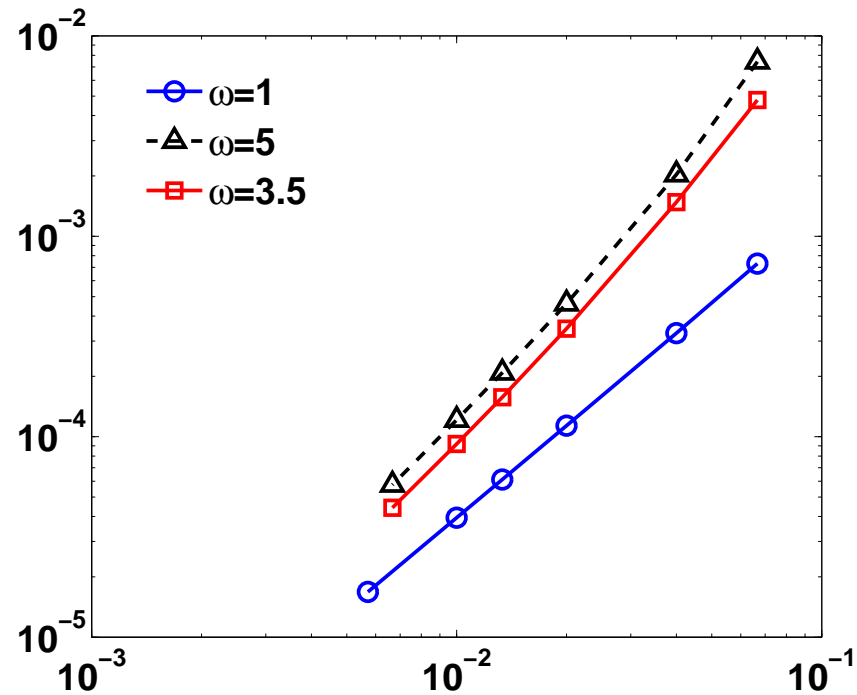
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Reference solution:

we solve numerically both our formulation and Rumsey principle.

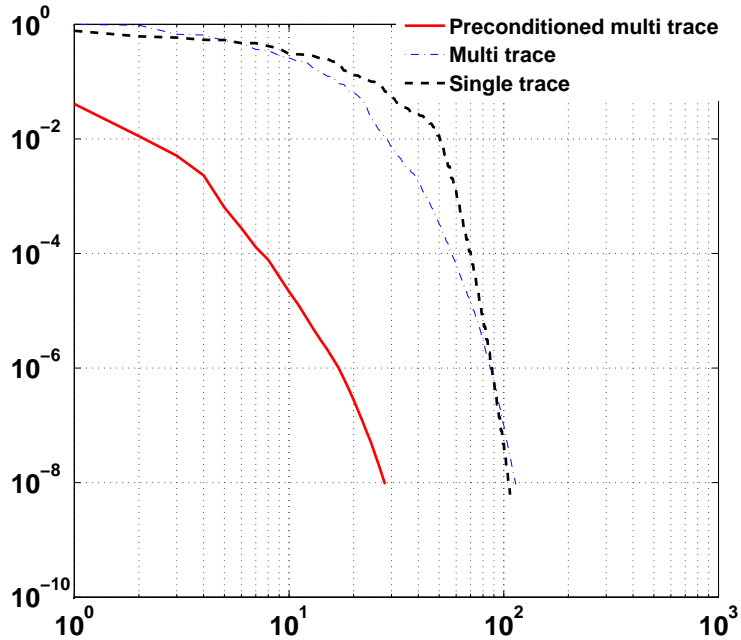
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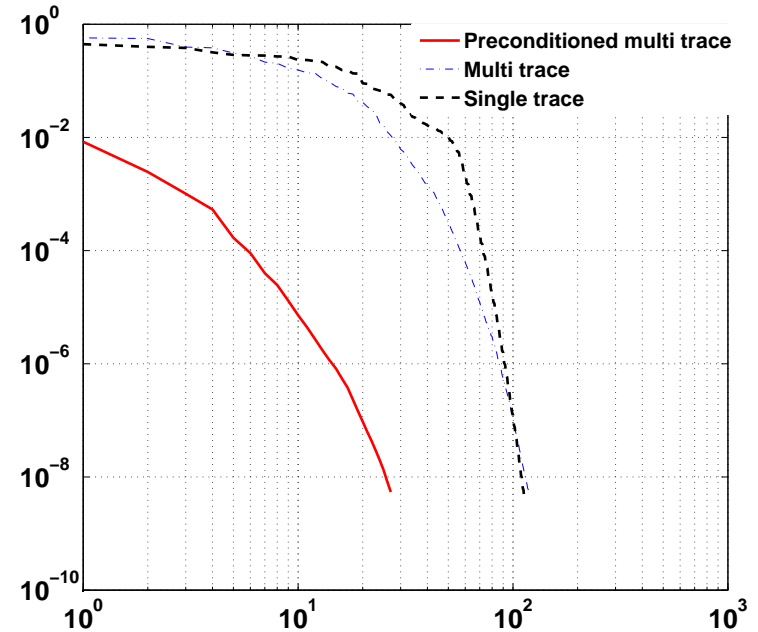
Relative error $\|U_h^{\text{MTF}} - U_h^{\text{Rumsey}}\| / \|U_h^{\text{Rumsey}}\|$
versus step of the mesh h

Discretization: continuous piecewise linear
for both Dirichlet and Neumann traces

Convergence history of GMRES



$h = 0.02$



$h = 0.0066$

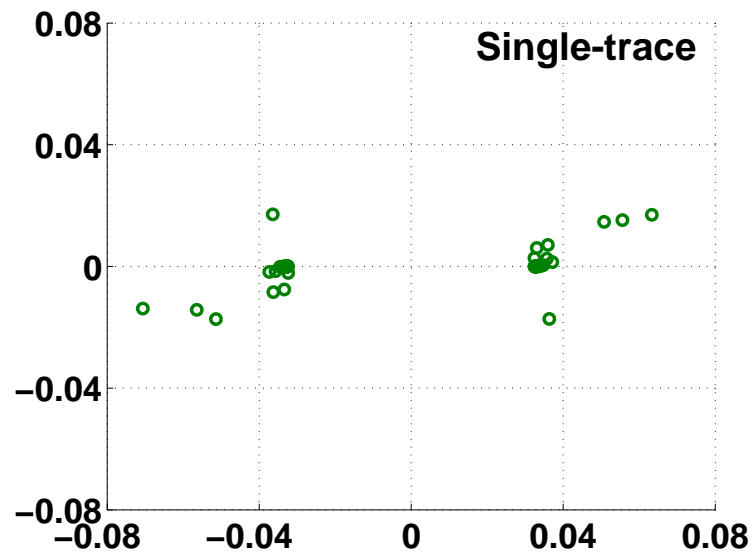
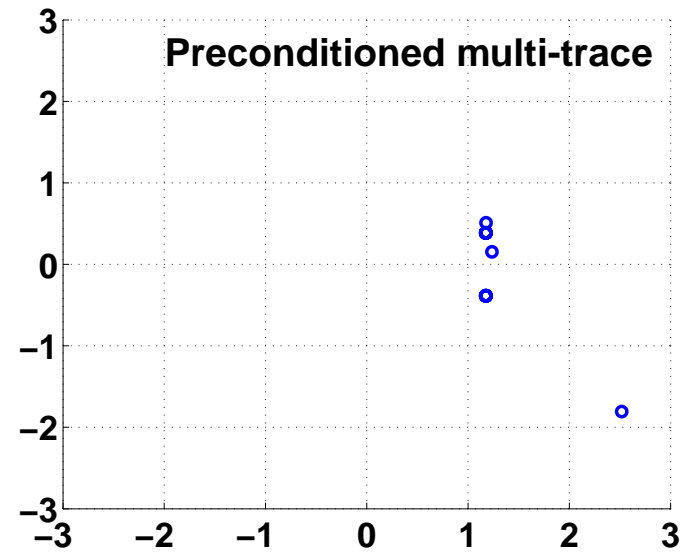
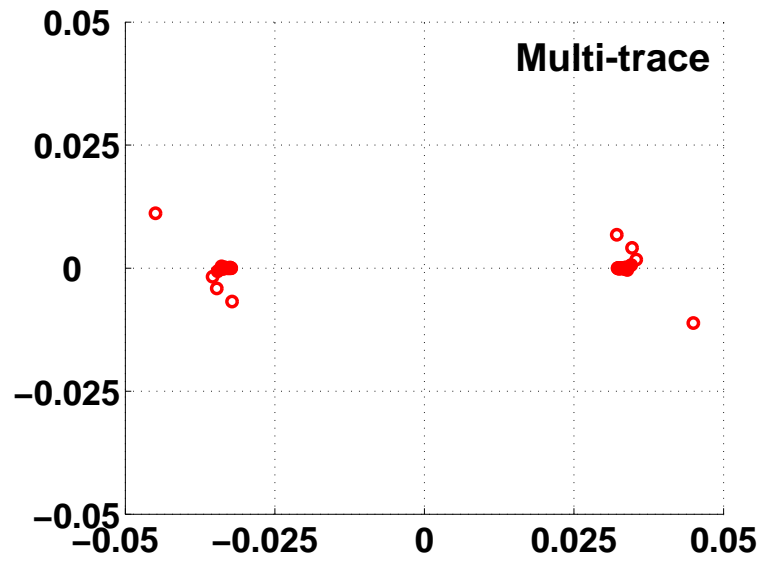
Quadratic norm of the residue of GMRES (without restart) versus number of iterations for $\omega = 2$.

We took $M_h^{-1} A_h M_h^{-1}$ as a preconditionner for A_h where

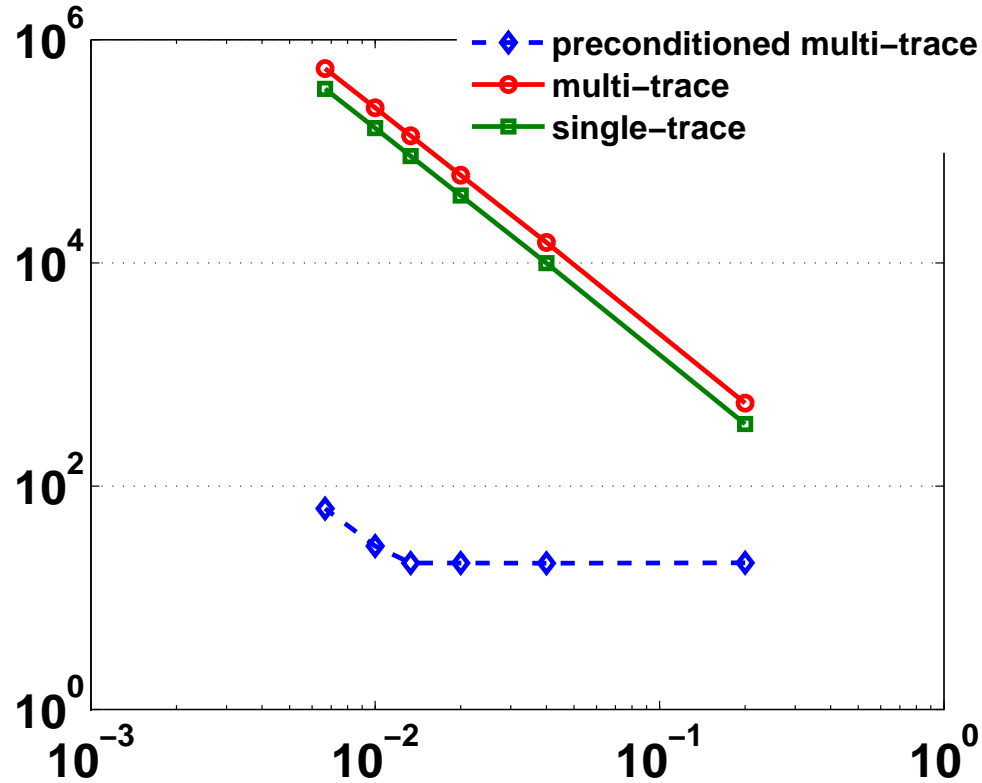
$A_h =$ Galerkin matrix of \widehat{A}_κ ,

$M_h =$ mass matrix associated to $\widehat{B}(\cdot, \cdot)$.

Location of eigenvalues ($h = 0.02, \omega = 1$)



Condition number



Condition number versus step of the mesh

with $\mu_0 = \mu_1 = \mu_2$ and $\kappa_0 = 1, \kappa_1 = 2, \kappa_2 = 3$

Conclusion

Possible extensions

- $\Im m\{\kappa_j\} \neq 0$

as long as the transmission problem remains well posed (true if $\Im m\{\kappa_j\} \geq 0$, $\Re e\{\kappa_j\} \geq 0$ and $\kappa_j \neq 0$, $\forall j = 0 \dots n$).

Consequence: no spurious mode!

- **Any values of $\mu_0, \dots, \mu_n \in \mathbb{R}_+$**

For Calderón identity we still need $\mu_0 = \dots = \mu_n$.

- **Maxwell equations**

We have proved a counterpart of every results for Maxwell. The proof of quasi-optimal convergence makes use of the framework developped in [Buffa,2005].

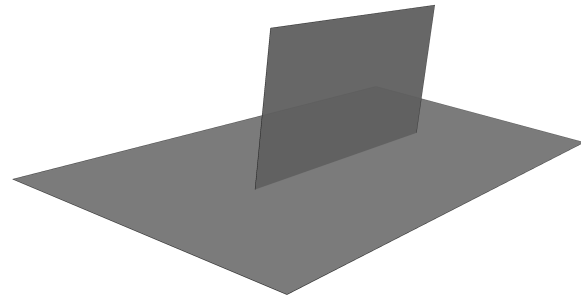
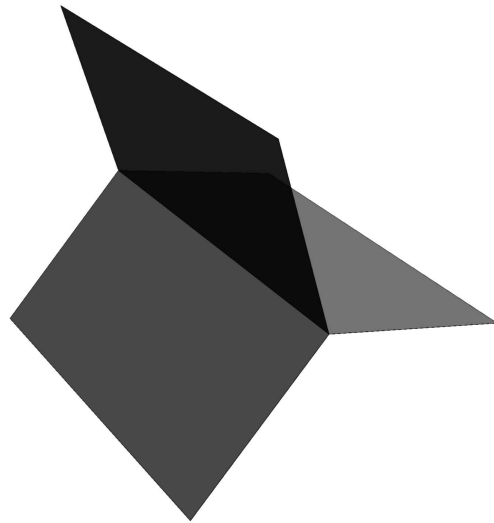
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Future work: multi-screens



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