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Singular Representation and Finite
Element Methods

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Let Ω be a bounded, open, and polygonal domain in R^2 with re-entrant corners. We consider the following Partial Differential Equations:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (I - \nabla \nabla \cdot + \nabla^\perp \nabla \times) \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{f} \text{ in } \Omega, \\ \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_N, \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{u} = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_N, \\ \boldsymbol{\tau} \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_D, \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_D, \end{array} \right. \quad (1)$$

where the symbol $\nabla \cdot$ and ∇ stand for the divergence and gradient operators, respectively; $\mathbf{f} \in L^2(\Omega)^2$ is a given vector function; $\partial\Omega = \Gamma_D \cup \Gamma_N$ is the partition of the boundary of Ω ; \mathbf{n} is the outward unit vector normal to the boundary and $\boldsymbol{\tau}$ represents the unit vector tangent to the boundary oriented counterclockwise. For simplicity, assume that both Γ_D and Γ_N are nonempty. Denote the curl operator in R^2 by

$$\nabla \times = (-\partial_2, \partial_1)$$

and its formal adjoint by

$$\nabla^\perp = \begin{pmatrix} \partial_2 \\ -\partial_1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Consider a weak formulation(WF); Find $\mathbf{u} \in V$ such that

$$a(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) := (\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) + (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}) + (\nabla \times \mathbf{u}, \nabla \times \mathbf{v}) = (\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{v}), \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \in V. \quad (2)$$

We assume there is only one singular corner.

There are many methods to deal with the domain singularities. We introduce them shortly and we suggest a new Finite Element Methods by using Singular representation for the solution.