

Lecture 4: physical models in mechanical and aeronautic engineering,
numerical solutions, formulation of optimal design problems

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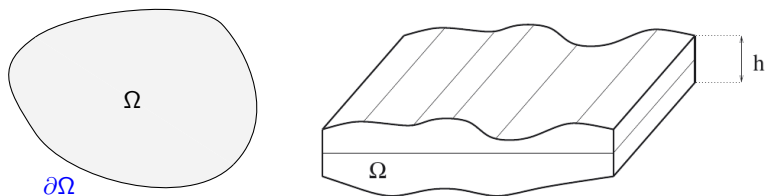


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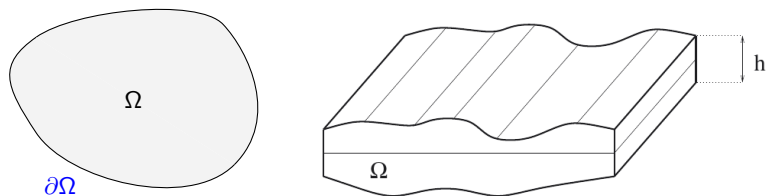


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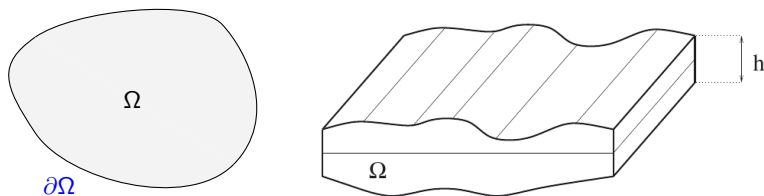


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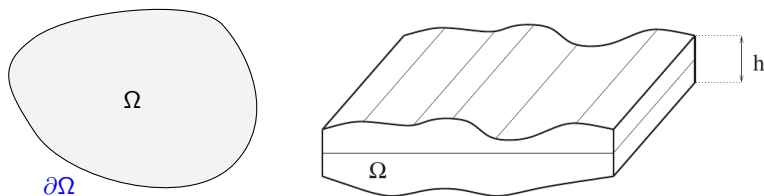


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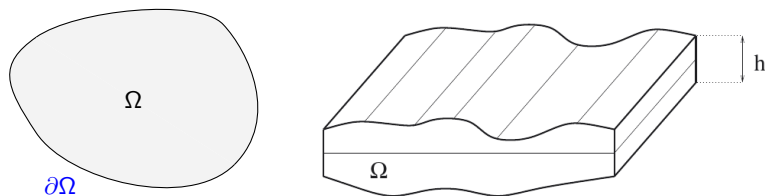


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Hence the application $\gamma : \phi \mapsto \phi|_{\partial\Omega}$ extends continuously to an application of $\gamma : H^1(\Omega) \rightarrow L^2(\partial\Omega)$. $\gamma(v)$ is called the trace of v and is still denoted by $v|_{\partial\Omega}$.

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Assume the result is wrong. Then there exists a sequence $(u_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that

$\int_{\Omega} |\nabla u_n|^2 dx \leq \frac{1}{n} \int_{\Omega} |u_n|^2 dx$. Up to a rescaling, we may assume that $\int_{\Omega} |u_n|^2 dx = 1$. Then $\|\nabla u_n\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \rightarrow 0$ while $\|u_n\|_{H^1(\Omega)}$ remains bounded. By the Rellich theorem, we may assume, up to extracting a subsequence, that $u_n \rightarrow u$ strongly in $L^2(\Omega)$ for some $u \in H^1(\Omega)$. Since $\|\nabla u_n\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \rightarrow 0$, the convergence is in fact strong in $H^1(\Omega)$ and we obtain that $\nabla u = 0$, hence u is constant on Ω . Since $u_n \in H_0^1(\Omega)$, we find that $u = 0$ on Ω , which is not possible because $\|u_n\|_{L^2(\Omega)} = 1$ implies $\|u\|_{L^2(\Omega)} = 1$. \square

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$$\text{find } (u_i)_{1 \leq i \leq N_h} \text{ such that } a\left(\sum_{j=1}^{N_h} u_j \phi_j, \phi_i\right) = b(\phi_i),$$

that is $a(\phi_i, \phi_j) u_j = b(\phi_i), \quad 1 \leq i \leq N.$



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- ▶ When using the finite element method, it is common to numerically approximate the domain Ω by a triangular or tetrahedral mesh $\mathcal{T}_h = \cup_{i=1}^N T_i$ with N triangles/tetrahedra T_i with size h

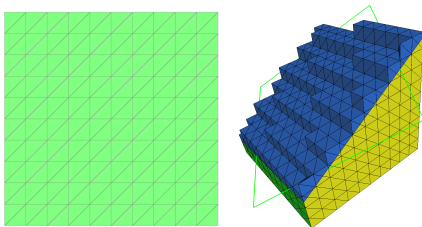


Figure: Triangular and tetrahedral meshes of a square and a cube.

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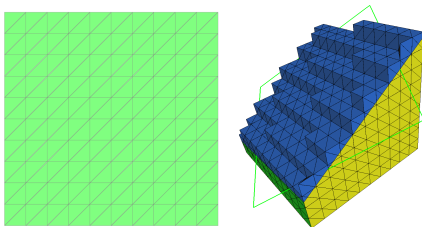


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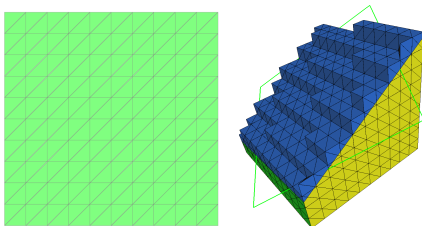


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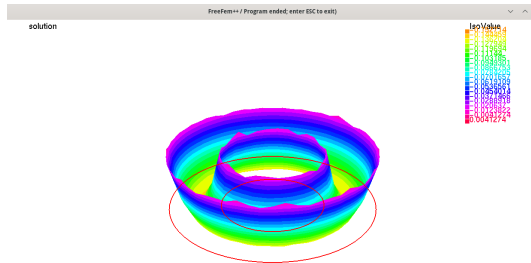
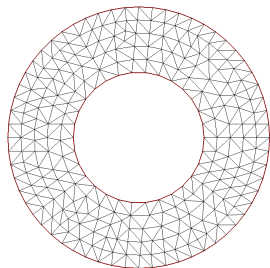


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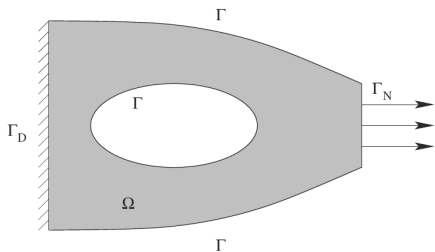
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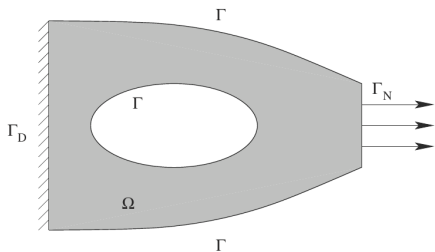
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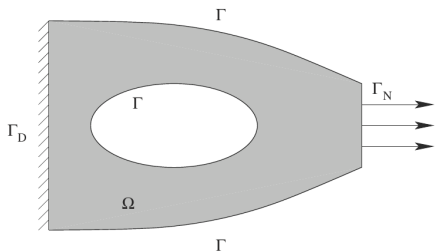


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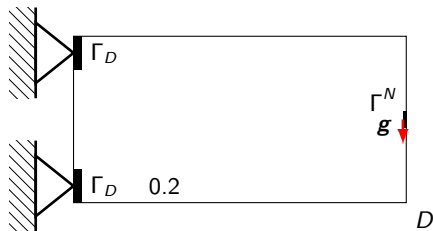


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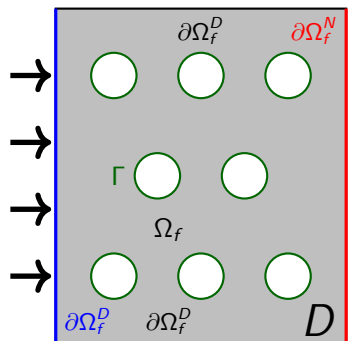
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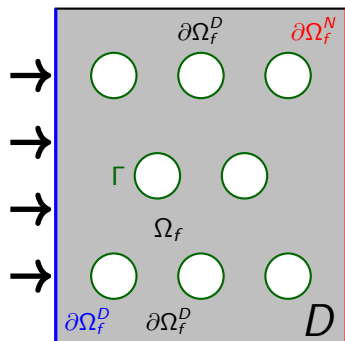


The diagram shows a gray rectangular domain Ω_f containing six white circular obstacles. The domain is bounded by a blue line on the left, a red line on the right, and a black line on the top and bottom. The left boundary is labeled $\partial\Omega_f^D$ in blue. The top boundary is labeled $\partial\Omega_f^D$ in black. The right boundary is labeled $\partial\Omega_f^N$ in red. The bottom boundary is labeled $\partial\Omega_f^D$ in black. The domain is labeled Ω_f in the center. The letter D is at the bottom right corner. Four black arrows point from the left towards the domain. A green line segment Γ is shown around one of the obstacles.

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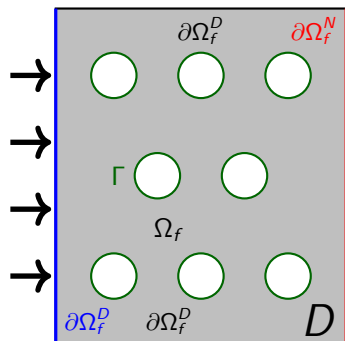


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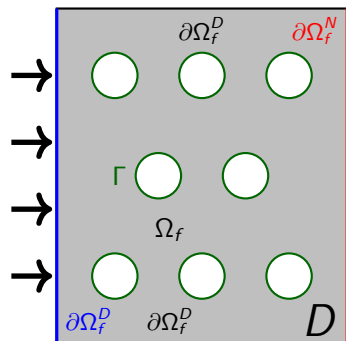
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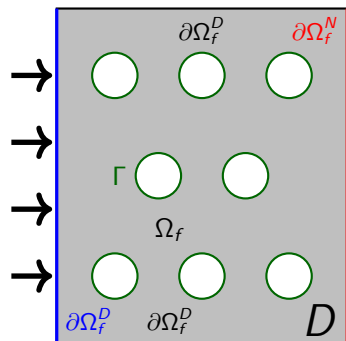
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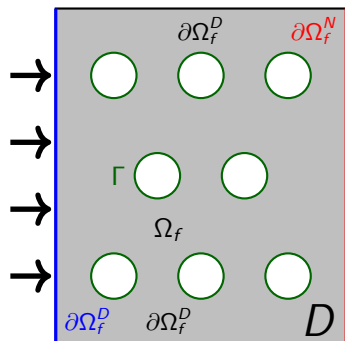
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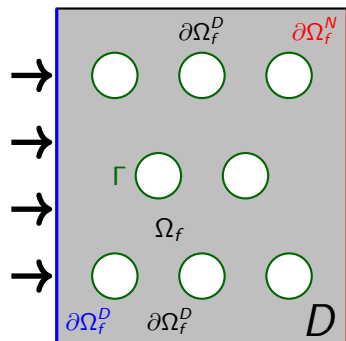
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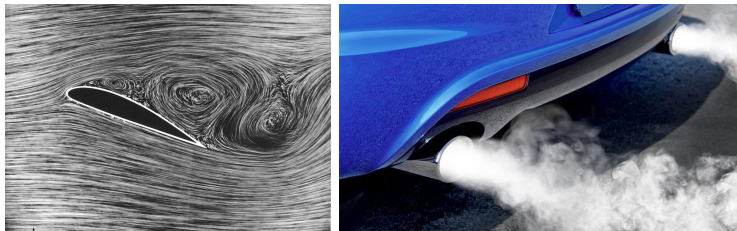


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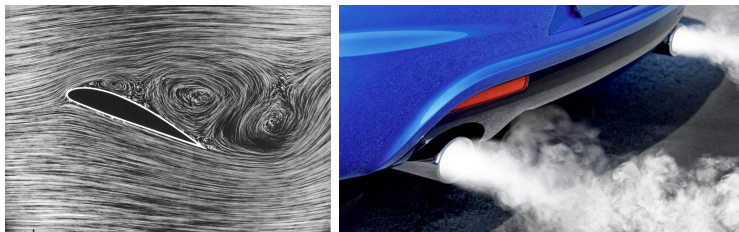


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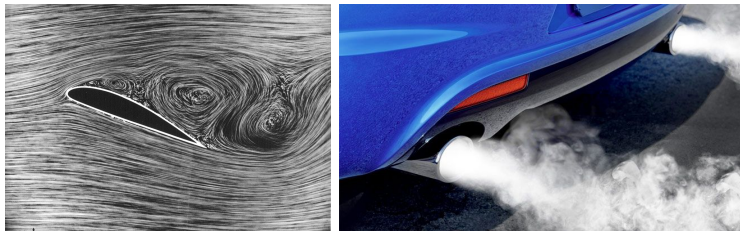


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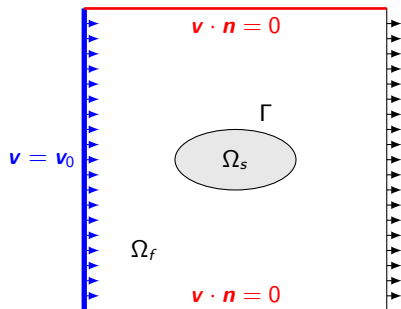


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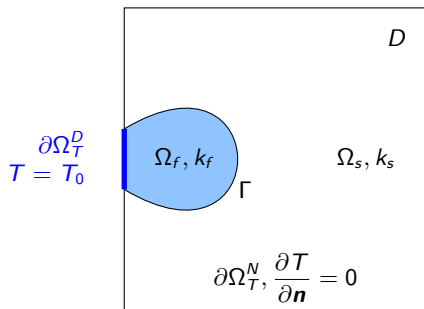


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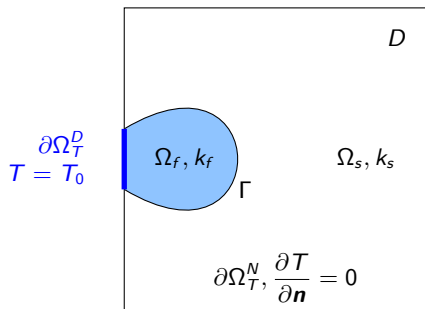


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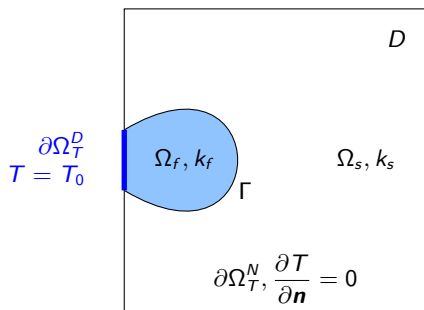


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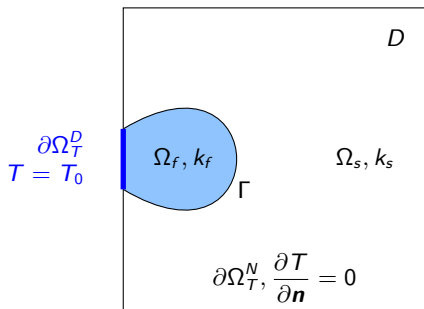


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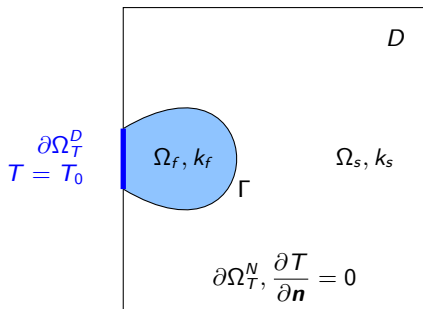
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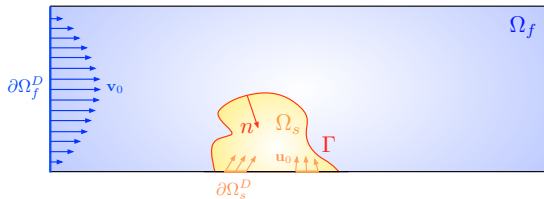
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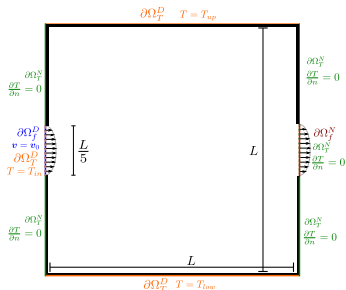


Figure: Setting of a convective heat transfer test case.

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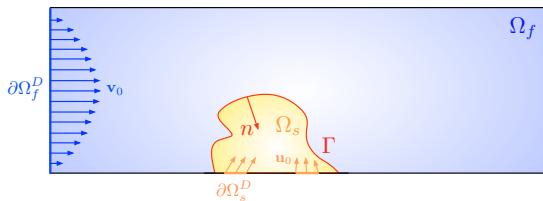
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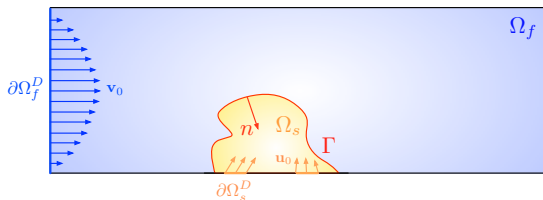
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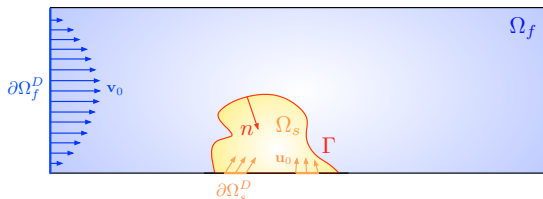
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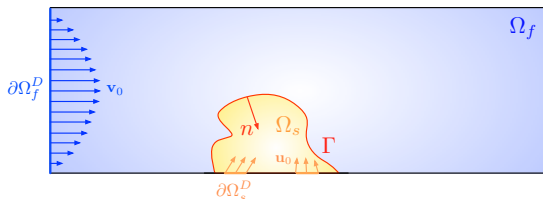
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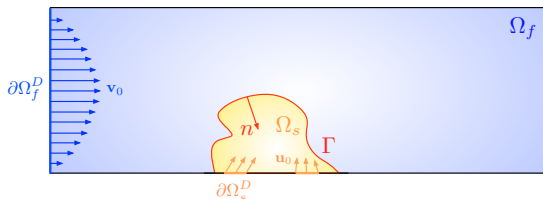


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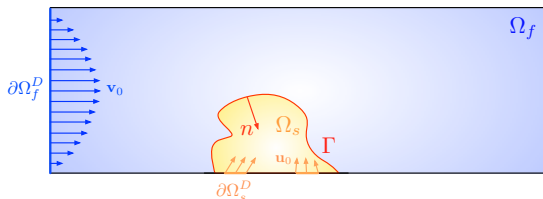
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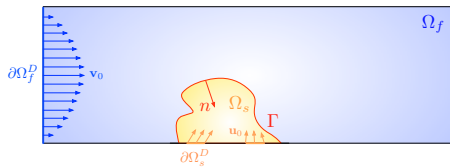
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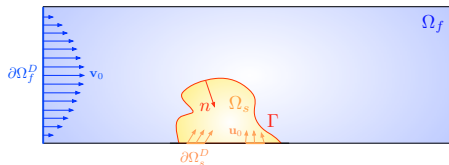
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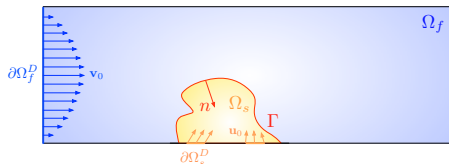
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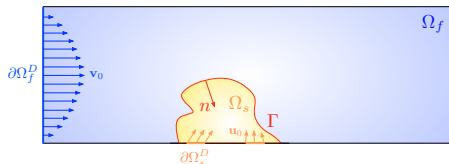
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