

# **Campi Elettromagnetici**

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# Color legend

New formulas, important considerations,  
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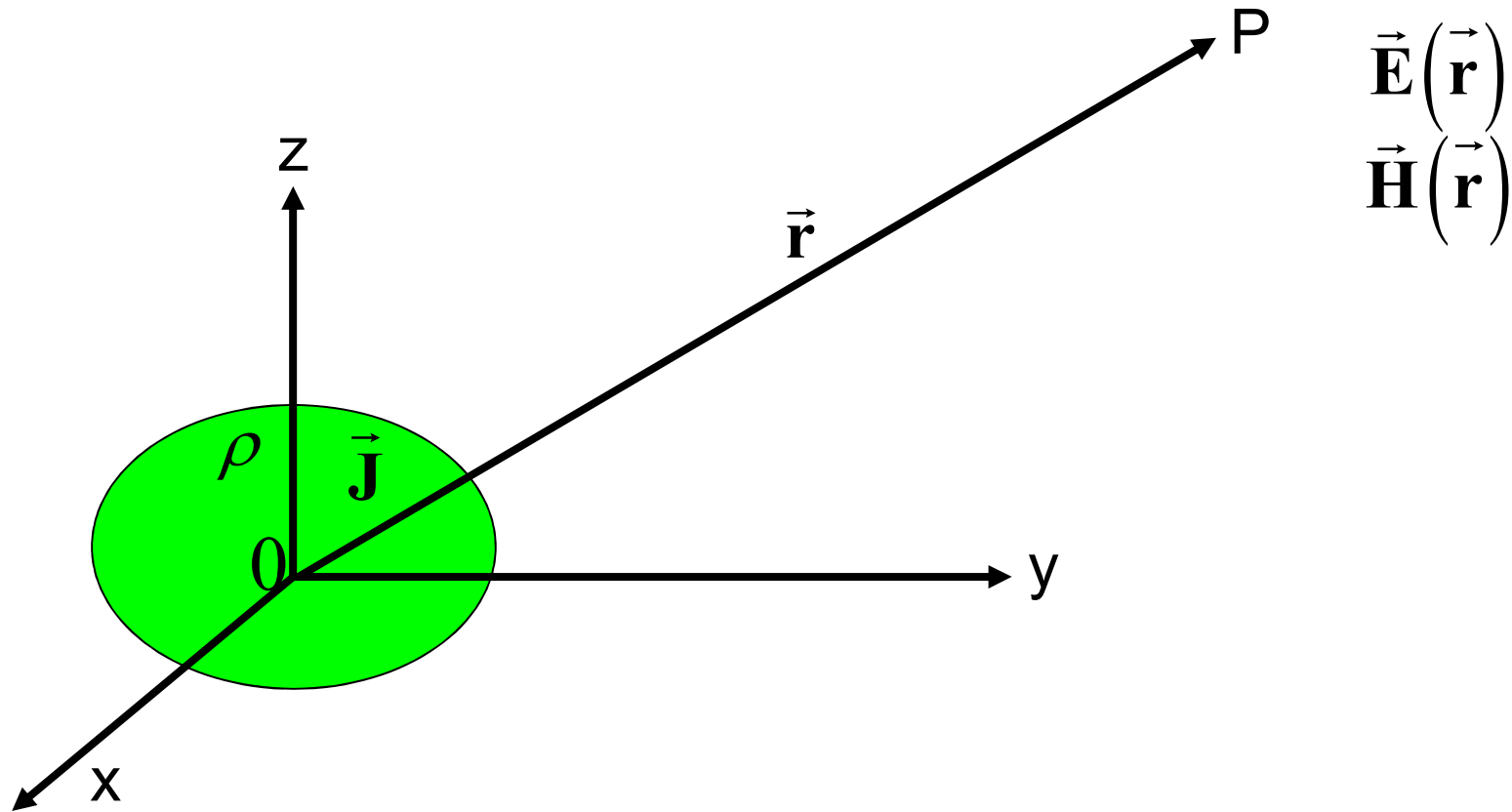
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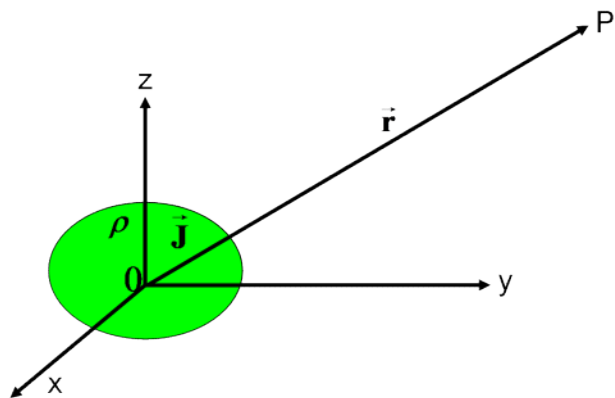
Mathematical tools to be exploited

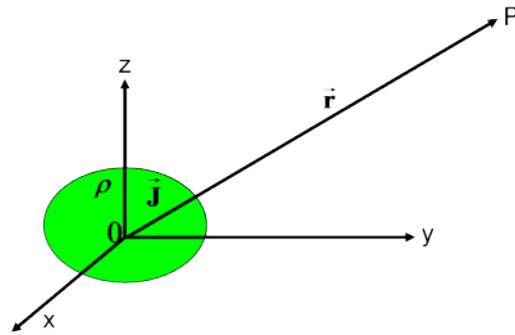
Mathematics

# Radiation problem



An antenna (or aerial) is an electrical device which converts electric power into radio waves, and vice versa.



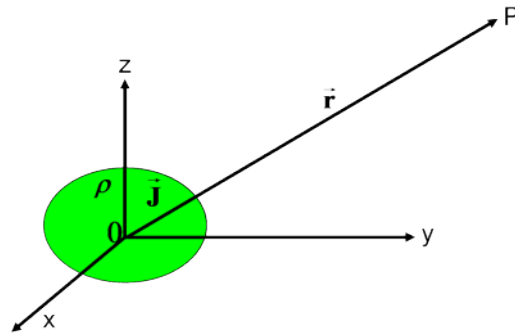


**Horn antenna**



**Dipole antenna**

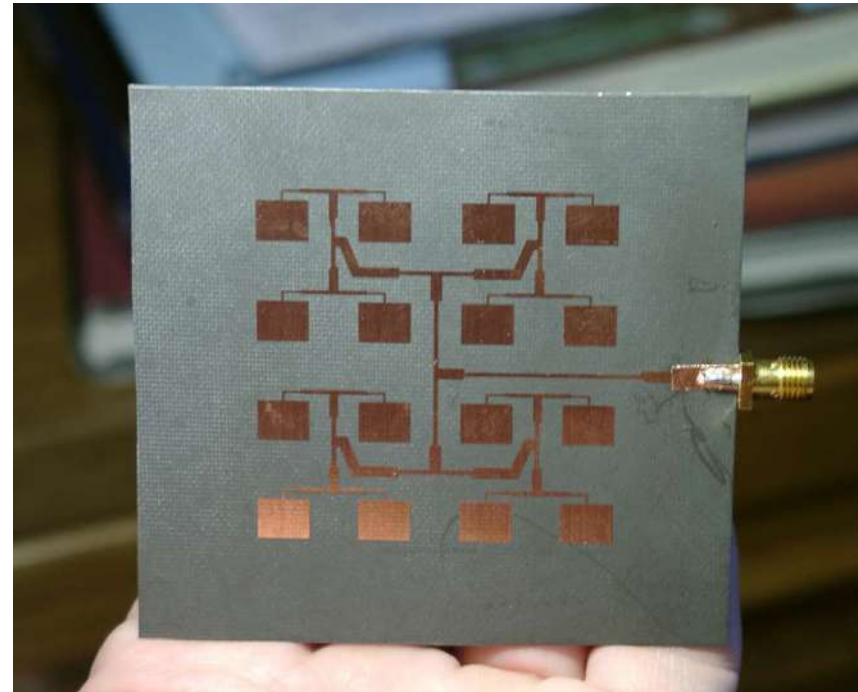




**Helix or helical antenna**



**Microstrip antenna**



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# Symbols and notations

$\vec{\mathbf{r}}$     $\mathbf{r}$   
 $\vec{\mathbf{E}}$     $\mathbf{E}$    vectors

$\vec{\mathbf{E}}(\vec{\mathbf{r}})$     $\vec{\mathbf{E}}(\mathbf{r})$     $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r})$    Vector fields

$\phi(\vec{\mathbf{r}})$     $\phi(\mathbf{r})$    Scalar fields

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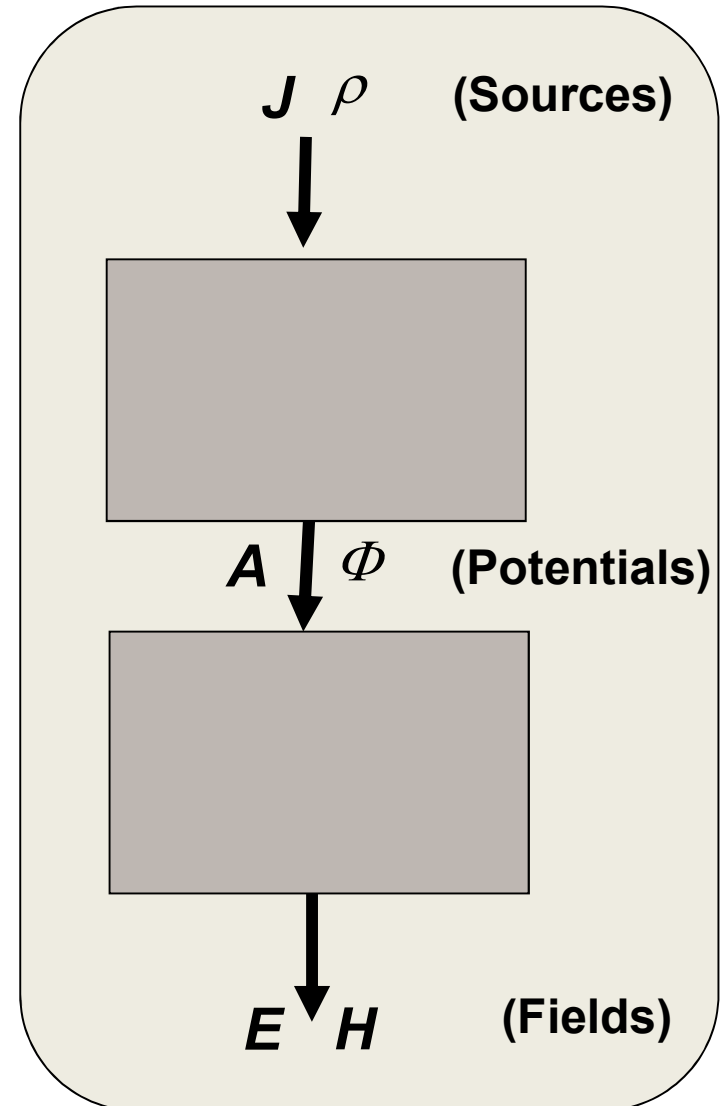
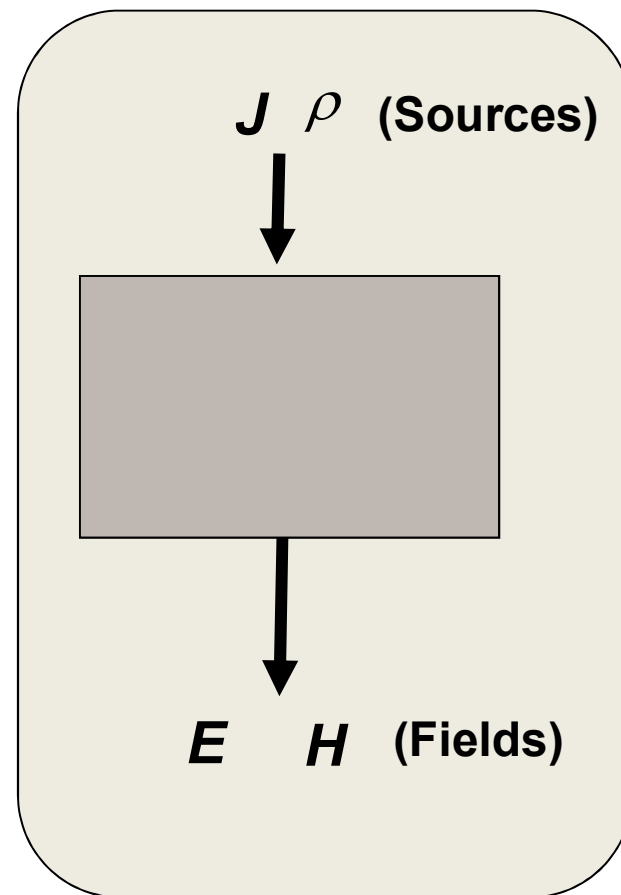
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mathematical tools that we will exploit today...

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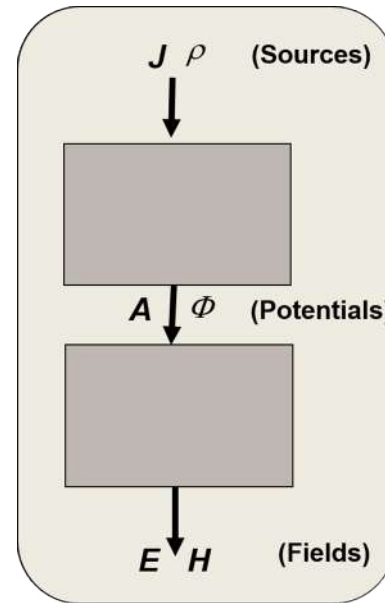
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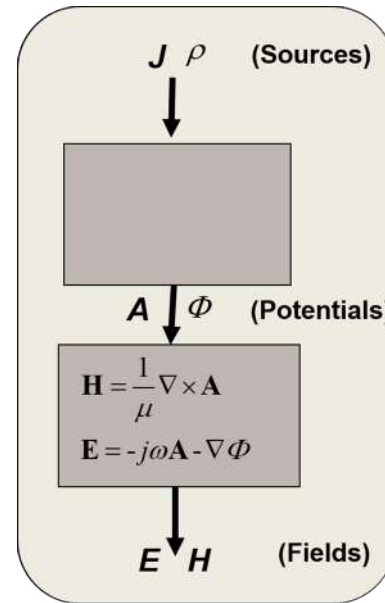


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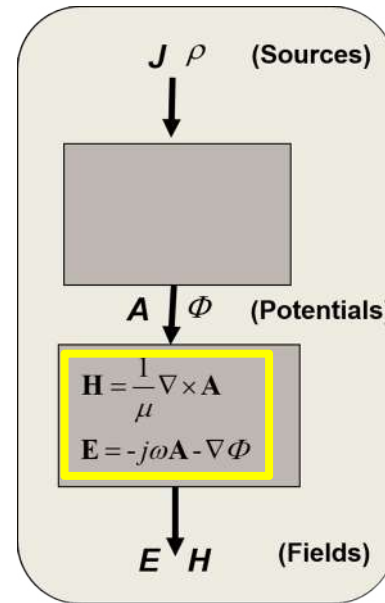


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$$\nabla \times \mathbf{H} = j\omega\varepsilon\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{J} \quad \rightarrow \quad \nabla \times \left( \frac{1}{\mu} \nabla \times \mathbf{A} \right) = j\omega\varepsilon(-j\omega\mathbf{A} - \nabla\Phi) + \mathbf{J} \quad \rightarrow \quad \nabla \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{A}) = j\omega\mu\varepsilon(-j\omega\mathbf{A} - \nabla\Phi) + \mu\mathbf{J}$$

$$\nabla \nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} - \nabla^2 \mathbf{A} = \omega^2 \mu\varepsilon \mathbf{A} - j\omega\mu\varepsilon \nabla\Phi + \mu\mathbf{J}$$

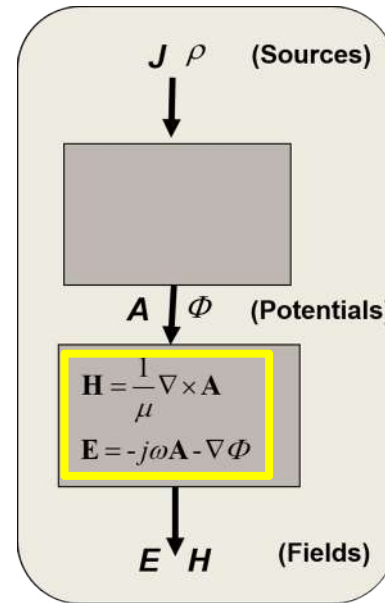
$$\rightarrow \nabla^2 \mathbf{A} + k^2 \mathbf{A} = -\mu\mathbf{J} + \nabla \nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} + j\omega\mu\varepsilon \nabla\Phi \quad \rightarrow \quad \nabla^2 \mathbf{A} + k^2 \mathbf{A} = -\mu\mathbf{J} + \nabla(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} + j\omega\mu\varepsilon\Phi)$$

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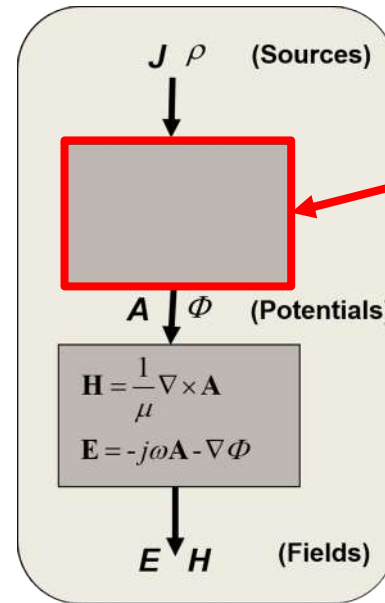
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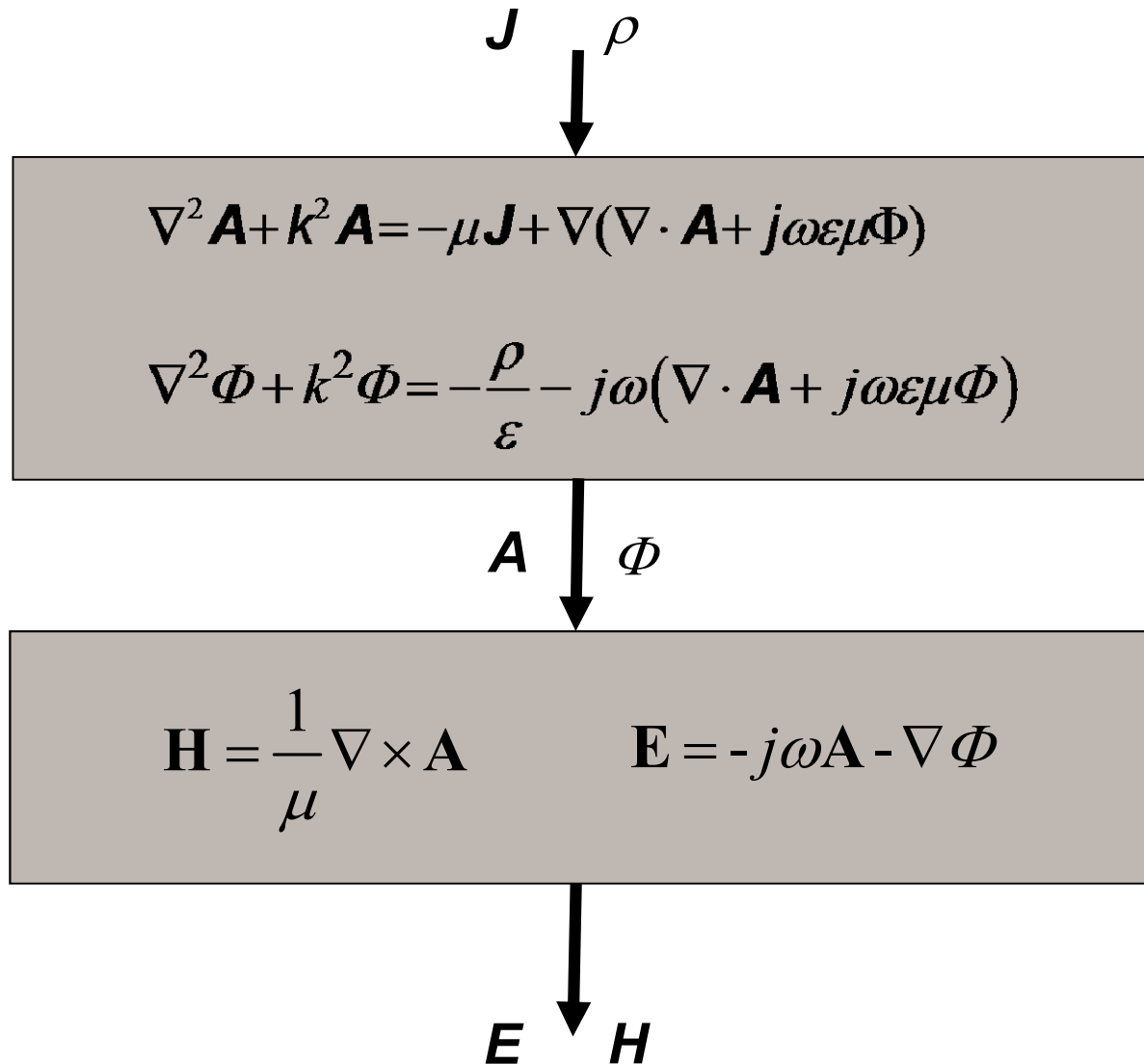
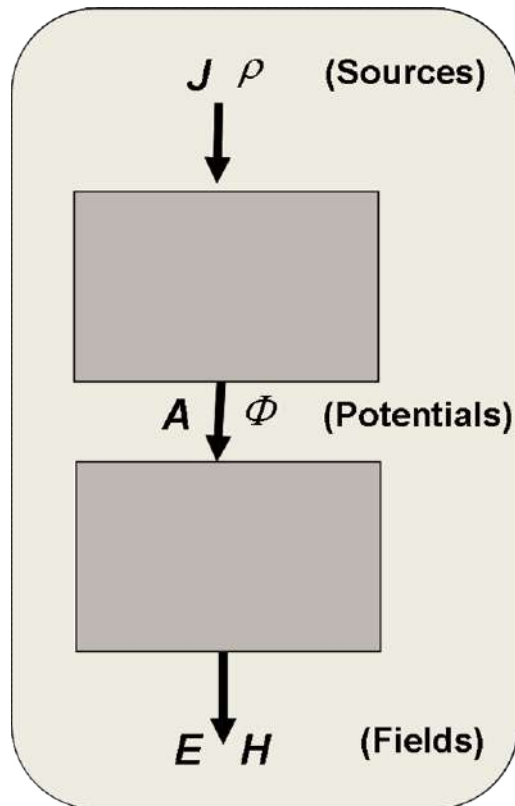
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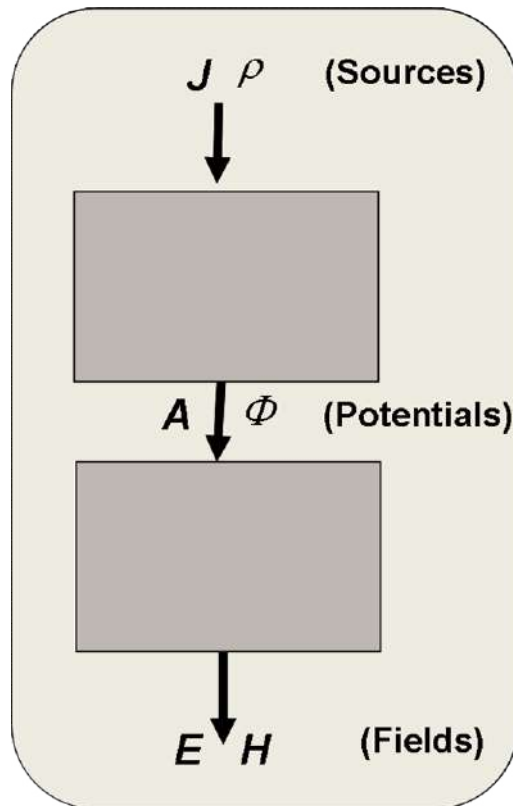
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# Mathematical tools

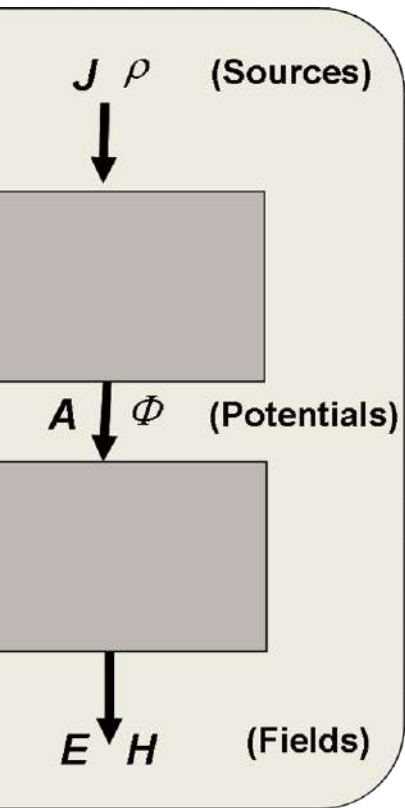
$$\mathbf{C} = C_x(x, y, z)\hat{i}_x + C_y(x, y, z)\hat{i}_y + C_z(x, y, z)\hat{i}_z$$

$$\Phi = \Phi(x, y, z)$$

$$\nabla^2 \Phi = \nabla \cdot (\nabla \Phi) = \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial z^2}$$

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$A \ \Phi$

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Let us suppose that a vector  $\mathbf{A}_0$  exists such that  $\nabla \times \mathbf{A}_0 = \mathbf{0}$

$$\nabla \times (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A}_0) = \nabla \times \mathbf{A} + \nabla \times \mathbf{A}_0 = \nabla \times \mathbf{A}$$

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where  $\nabla \times \mathbf{A}_0 = \mathbf{0}$

$\mathbf{A}$  is defined but for a vector  $\mathbf{A}_0$  that is curl free.



# Potentials & uniqueness

$$\text{II) } \nabla \times \mathbf{C} = \mathbf{0} \Rightarrow \exists \Phi : \mathbf{C} = \nabla \Phi$$

Let us suppose that a scalar  $\Phi_0$  exists such that  $\nabla \Phi_0 = \mathbf{0}$

$$\nabla(\Phi + \Phi_0) = \nabla \Phi + \nabla \Phi_0 = \nabla \Phi$$

$$\text{II) } \Rightarrow \mathbf{C} = \nabla(\Phi + \Phi_0)$$

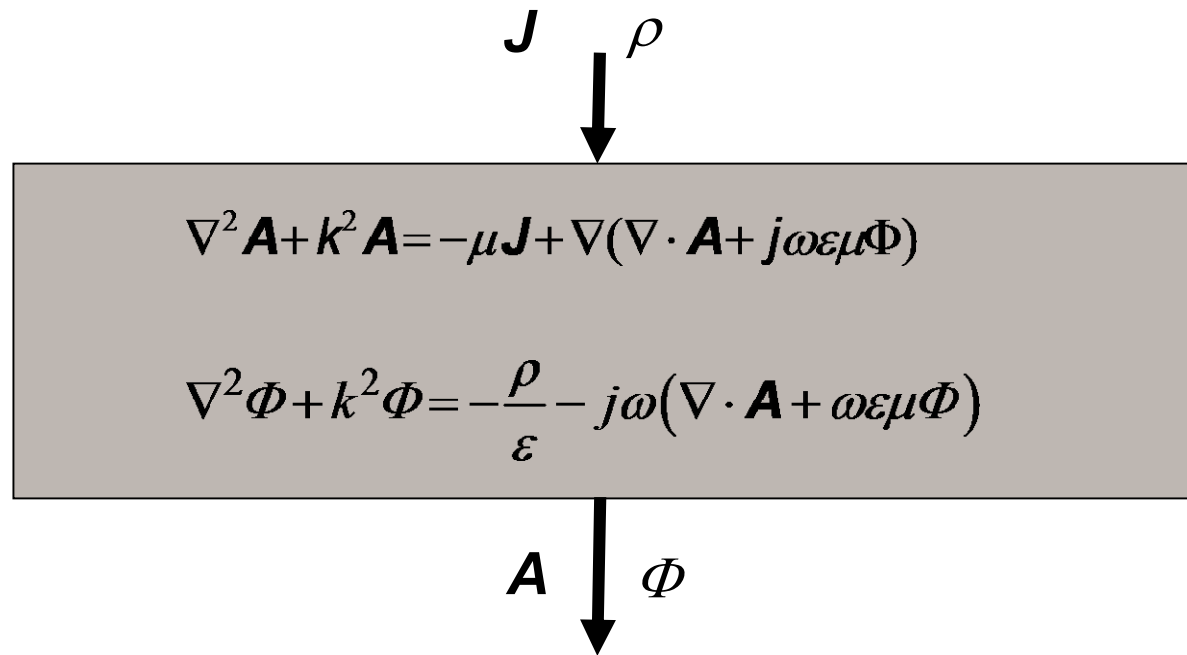
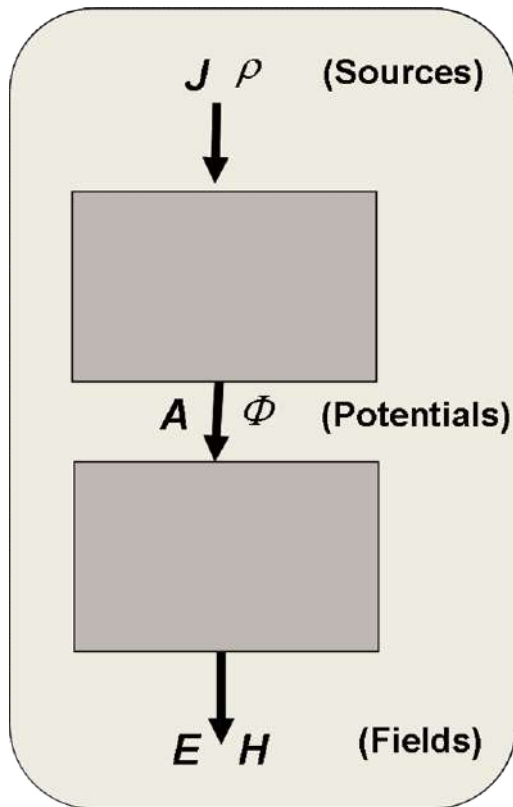
where  $\nabla \Phi_0 = \mathbf{0}$

$\Phi$  is defined but for a scalar  $\Phi_0$  that is gradient free.

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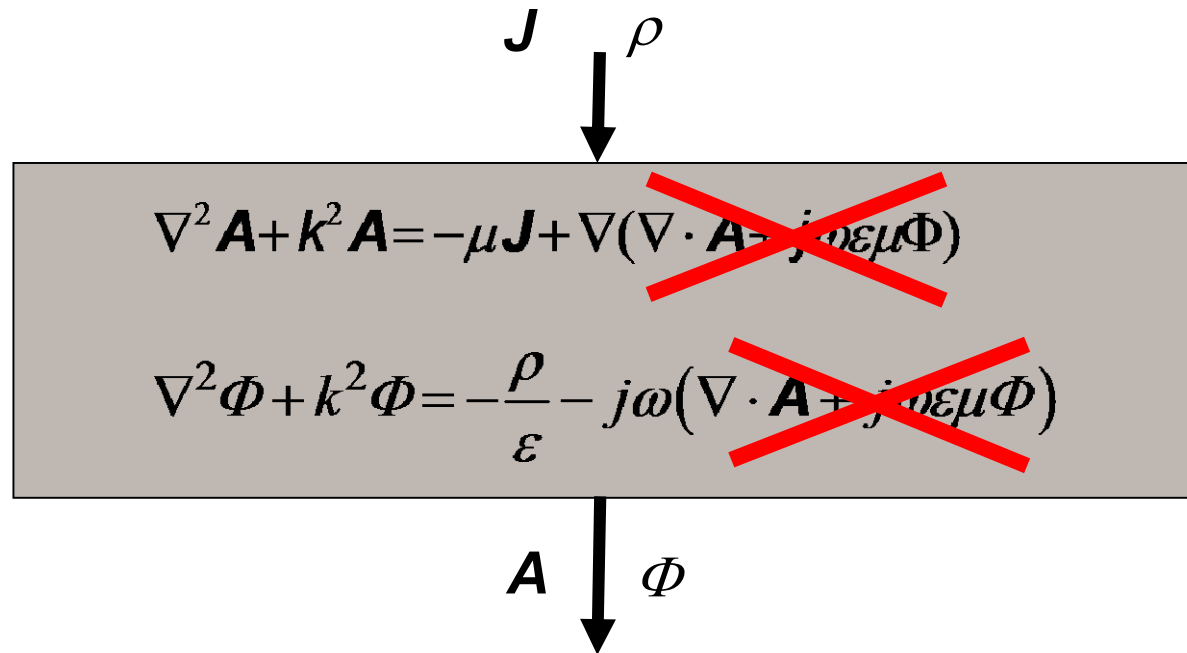
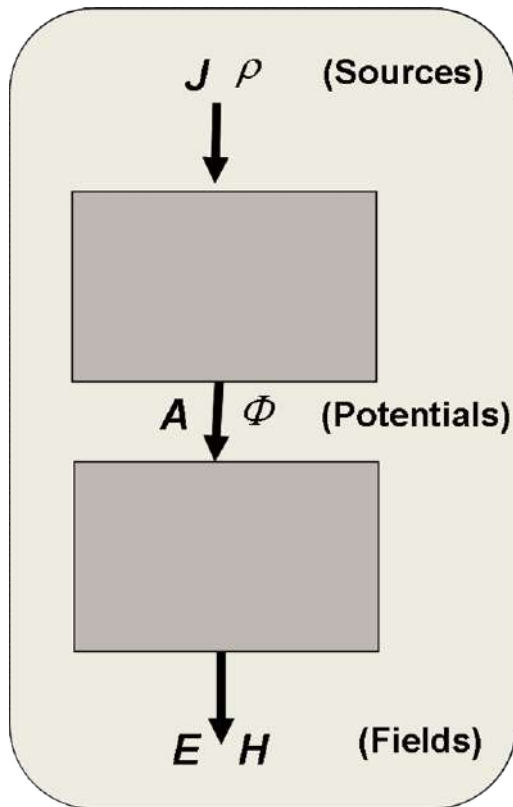
Amongst the infinite couples of potentials, is it possible to find a couple such that

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} + j\omega\epsilon\mu\Phi = 0 \quad ?$$

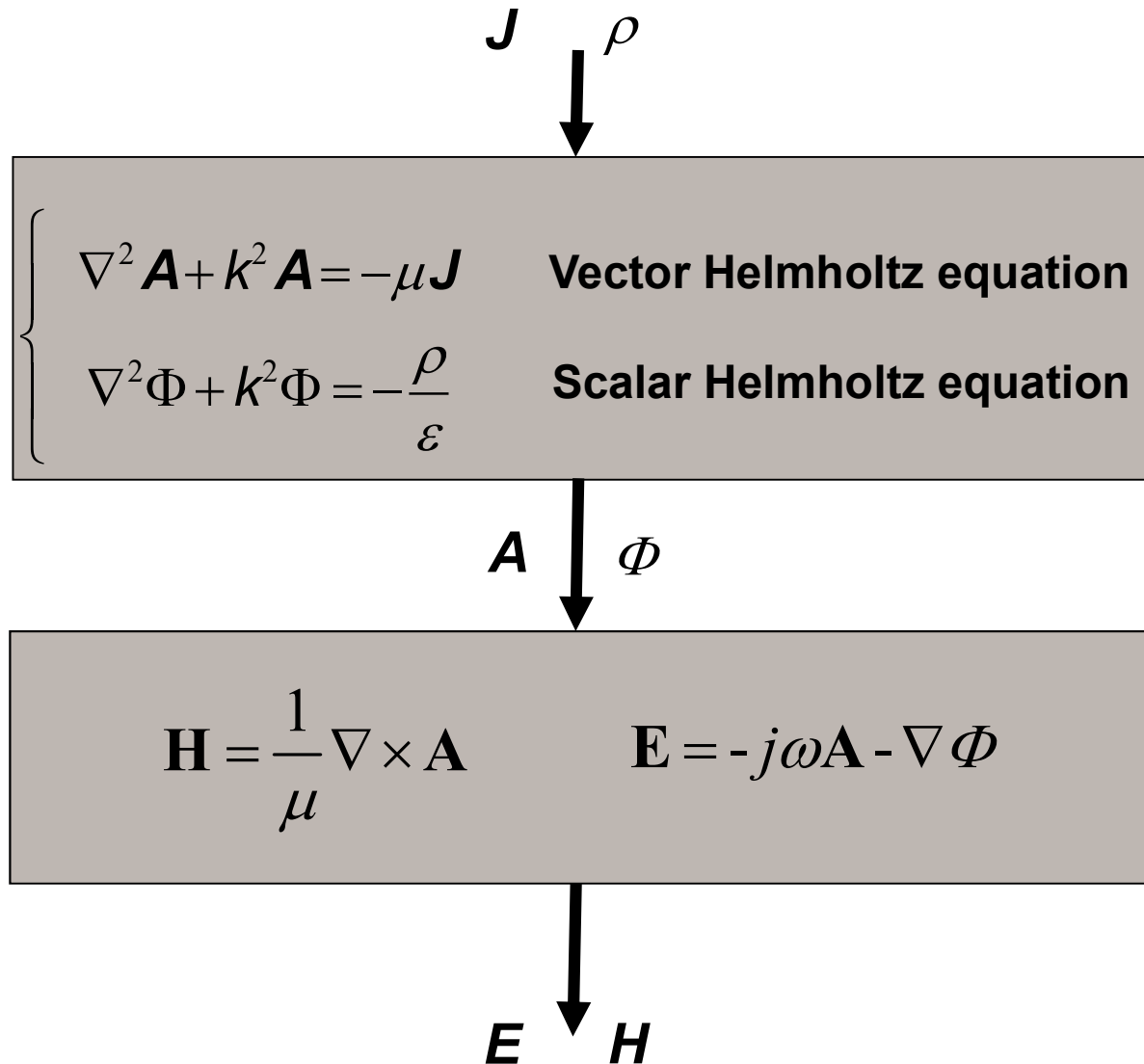
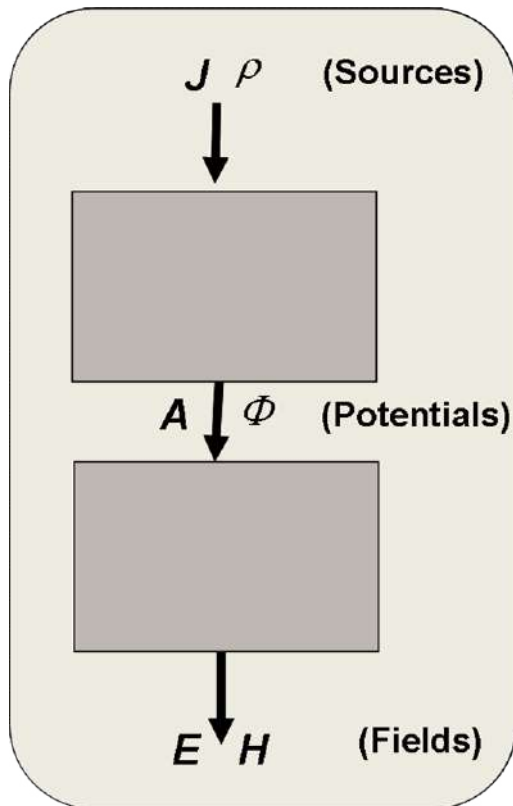


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$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} + j\omega\epsilon\mu\Phi = 0 \quad \text{Lorentz gauge}$$



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Lorentz gauge

Note that once  $\mathbf{A}$  is calculated by solving the (vector) Helmholtz equation involving  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{J}$ , subsequent calculation of  $\Phi$  can be straightforwardly achieved by means of the Lorentz gauge

$$\Phi = -\frac{\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A}}{j\omega\epsilon\mu}$$

thus rendering unnecessary the solution of the (scalar) Helmholtz equation relevant to  $\Phi$

$\mathbf{J}$     $\rho$

↓

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nabla^2 \mathbf{A} + k^2 \mathbf{A} = -\mu \mathbf{J} \\ \nabla^2 \Phi + k^2 \Phi = -\frac{\rho}{\epsilon} \end{array} \right.$$

Vector Helmholtz equation  
Scalar Helmholtz equation

$\mathbf{A}$     $\Phi$

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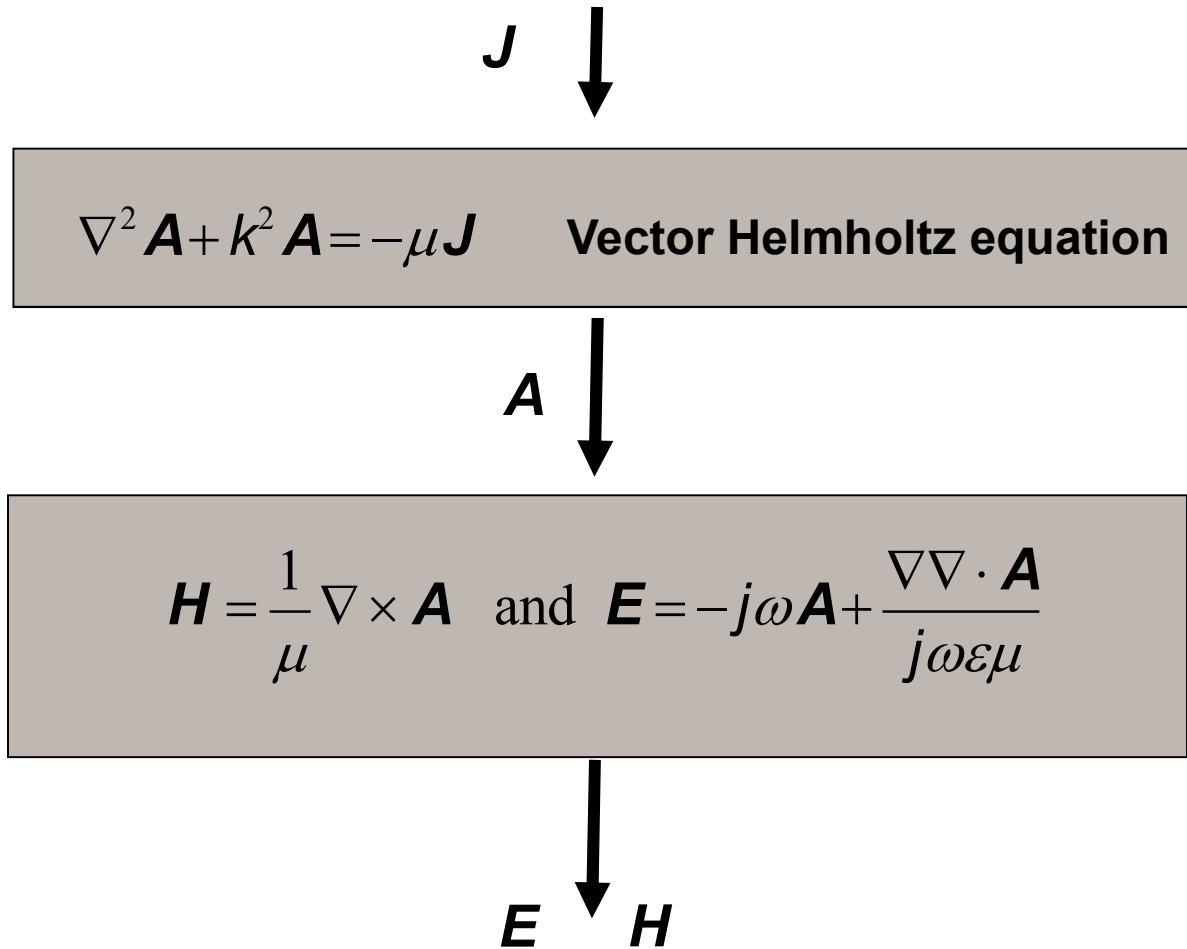
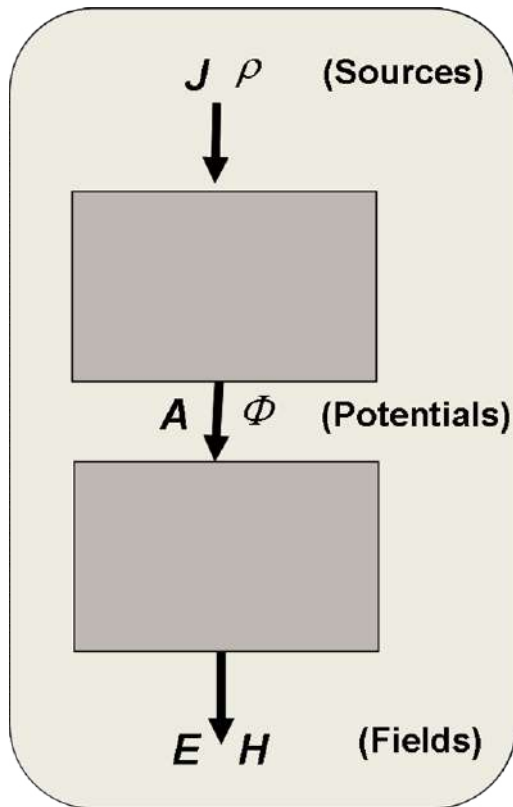
$$\mathbf{H} = \frac{1}{\mu} \nabla \times \mathbf{A} \qquad \mathbf{E} = -j\omega\mathbf{A} - \nabla\Phi$$

$\mathbf{E}$     $\mathbf{H}$

↓

$$\nabla \left( \frac{\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A}}{j\omega\epsilon\mu} \right)$$

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$\mathbf{J}$



$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{A} + k^2 \mathbf{A} = -\mu \mathbf{J}$$

Vector Helmholtz equation

$\mathbf{A}$



$$\begin{cases} \nabla^2 A_x + k^2 A_x = -\mu J_x \\ \nabla^2 A_y + k^2 A_y = -\mu J_y \\ \nabla^2 A_z + k^2 A_z = -\mu J_z \end{cases}$$

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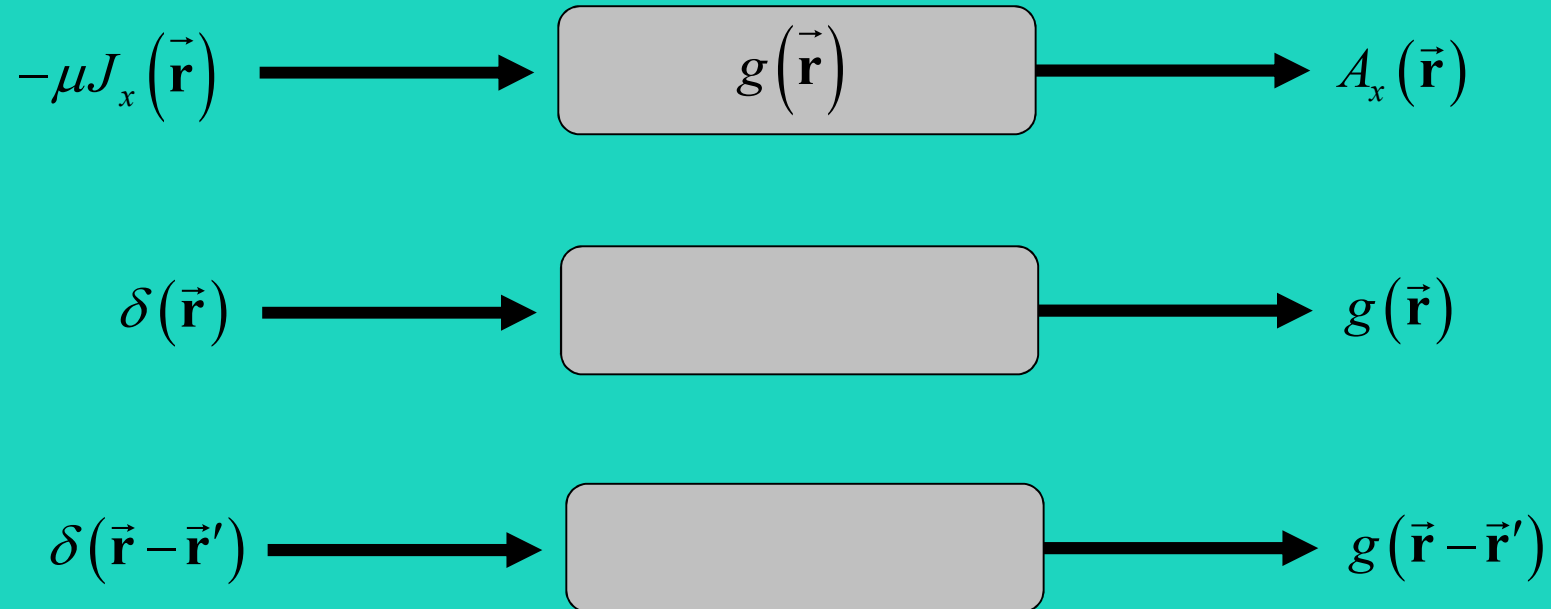
Let us address the solution of the following scalar Helmholtz equation

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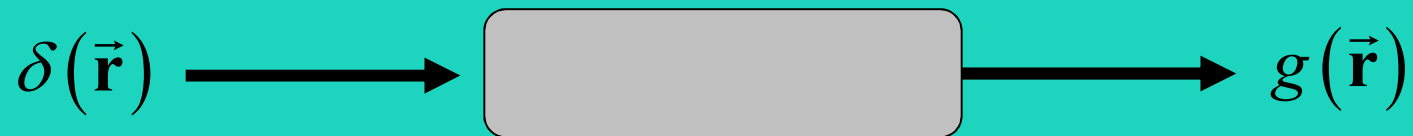
$$A_x(\vec{r}) = \int -\mu J_x(\vec{r}') g(\vec{r} - \vec{r}') d\vec{r}'$$

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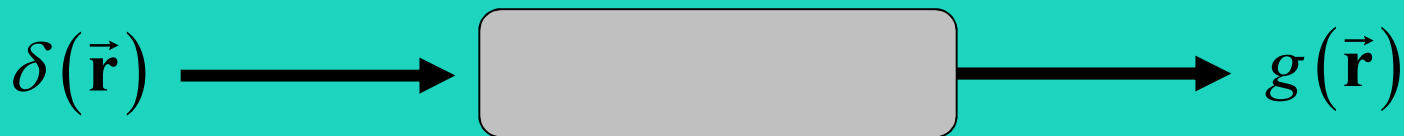
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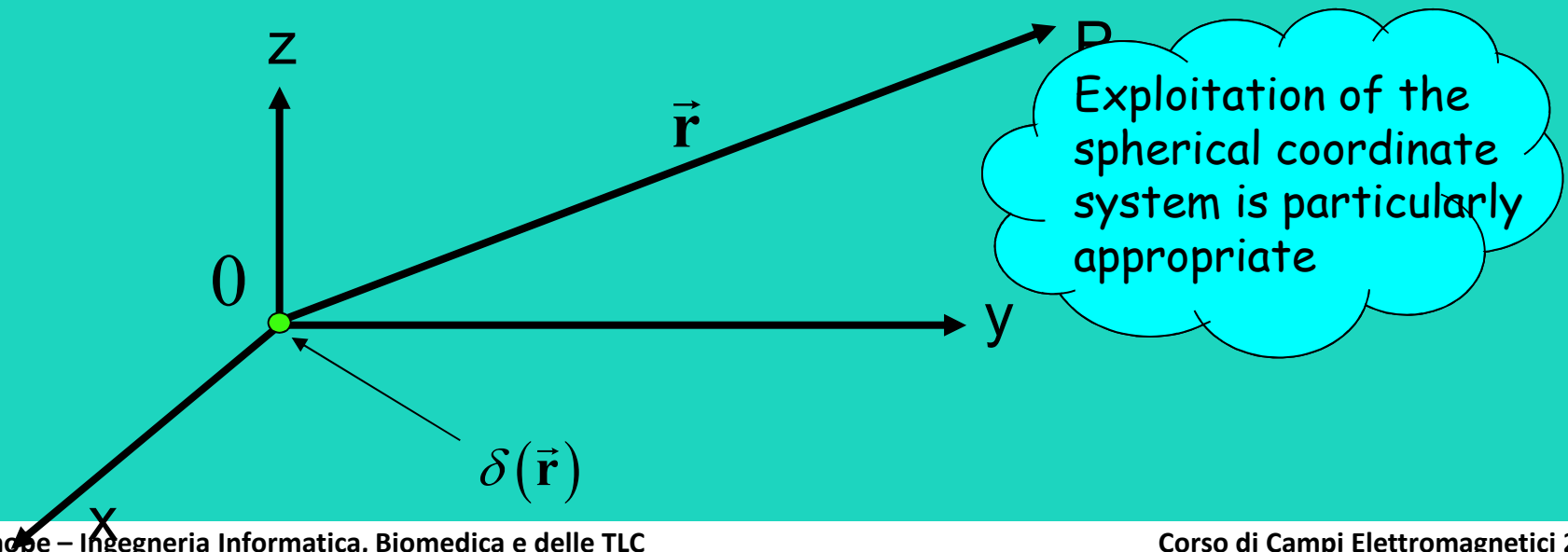
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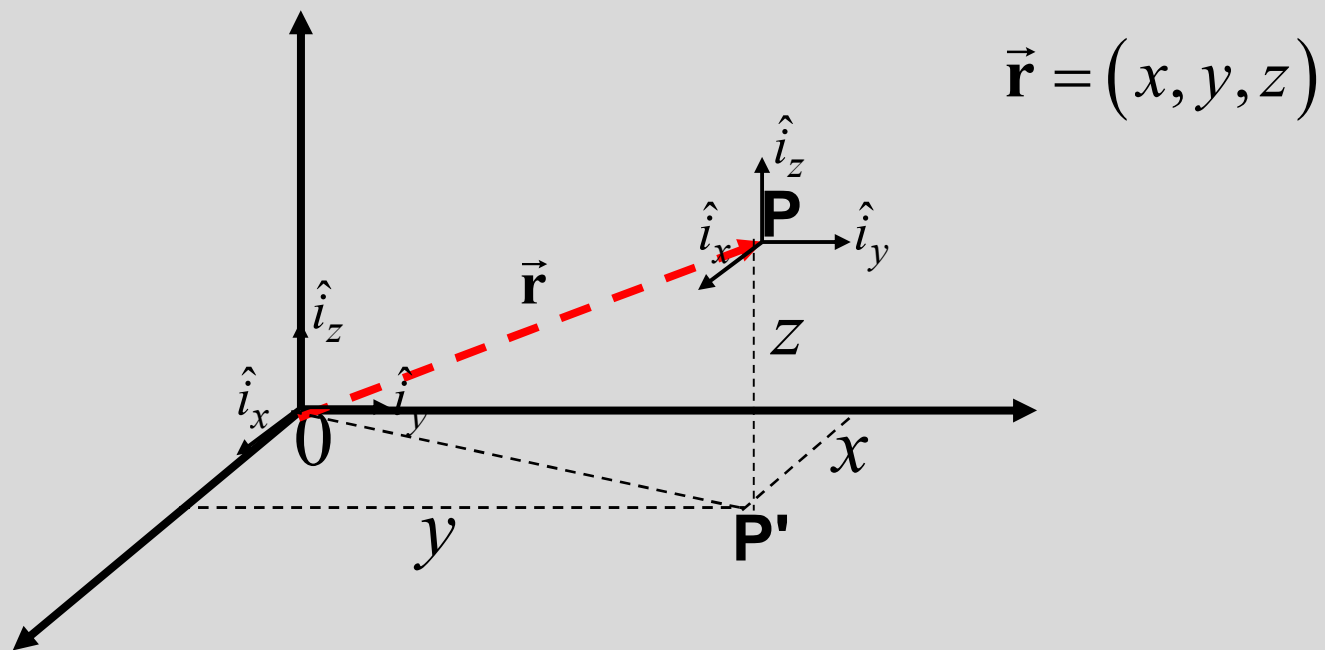


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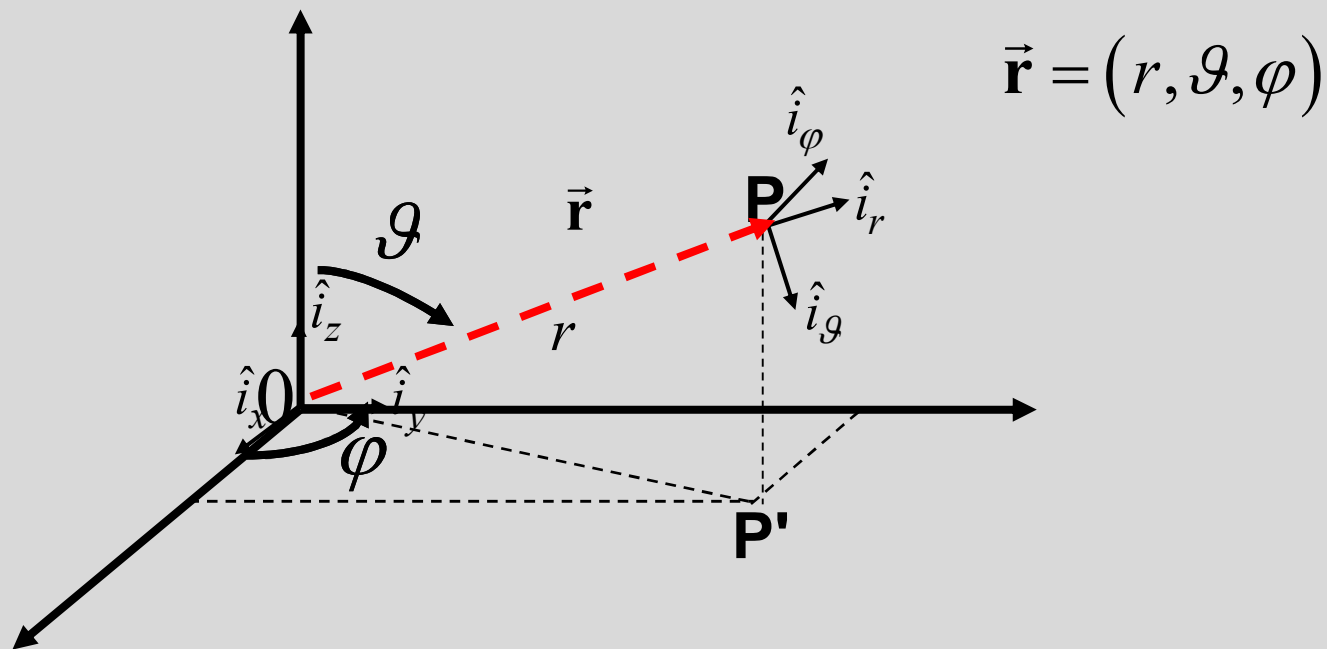
# Reference systems: Cartesian

$$\vec{\mathbf{E}} = \vec{\mathbf{E}}(\vec{\mathbf{r}}) = E_x(\vec{\mathbf{r}})\hat{i}_x + E_y(\vec{\mathbf{r}})\hat{i}_y + E_z(\vec{\mathbf{r}})\hat{i}_z$$



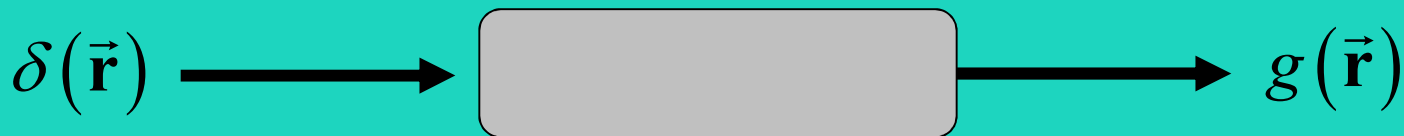
# Reference systems: Spherical

$$\vec{\mathbf{E}} = \vec{\mathbf{E}}(\vec{\mathbf{r}}) = E_r(\vec{\mathbf{r}})\hat{i}_r + E_\varphi(\vec{\mathbf{r}})\hat{i}_\varphi + E_\vartheta(\vec{\mathbf{r}})\hat{i}_\vartheta$$

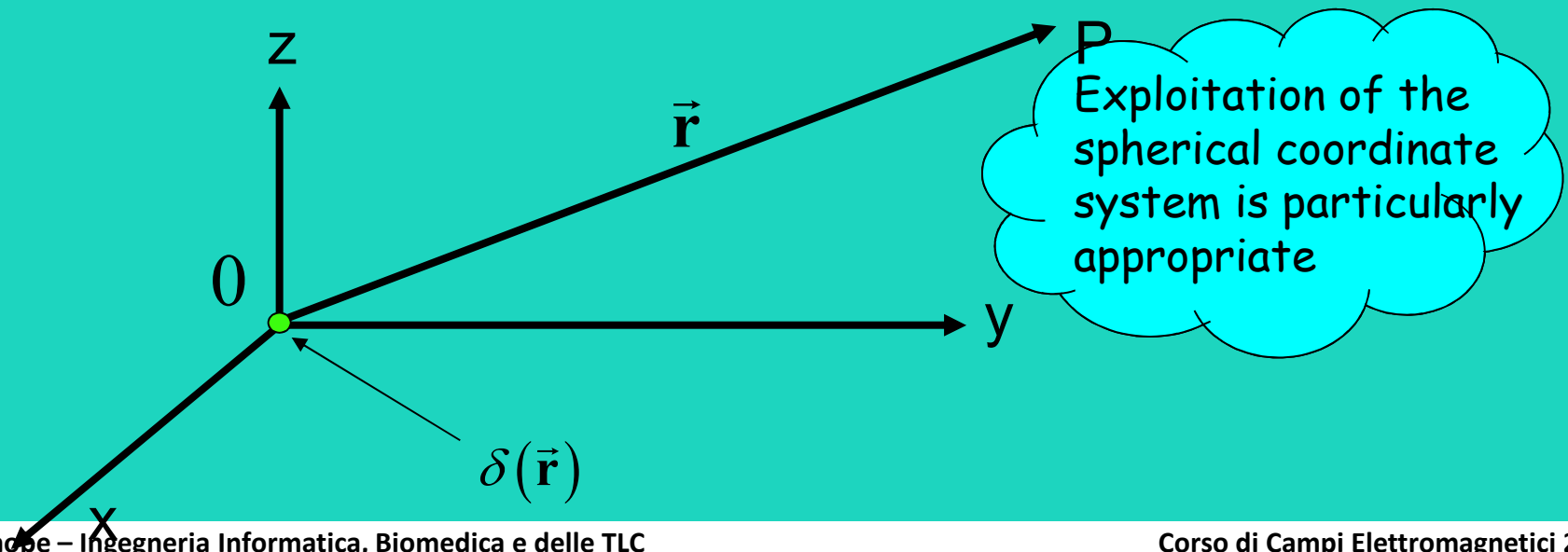


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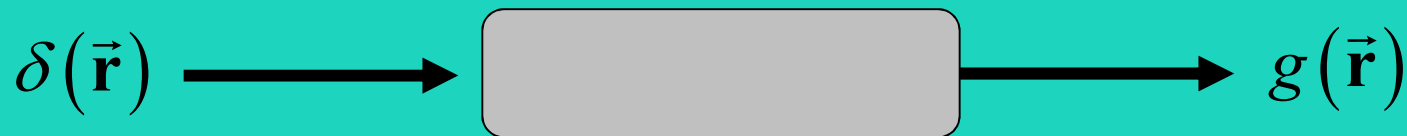


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where, in principle,  $g(\vec{r}) = g(r, \vartheta, \varphi)$

However, due to symmetry considerations, the function  $A_x(r, \vartheta, \varphi)$  turns out to be independent of  $\vartheta$  and  $\varphi$ , that is,

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Accordingly, in the whole three dimensional space the solution of the Helmholtz equation is:

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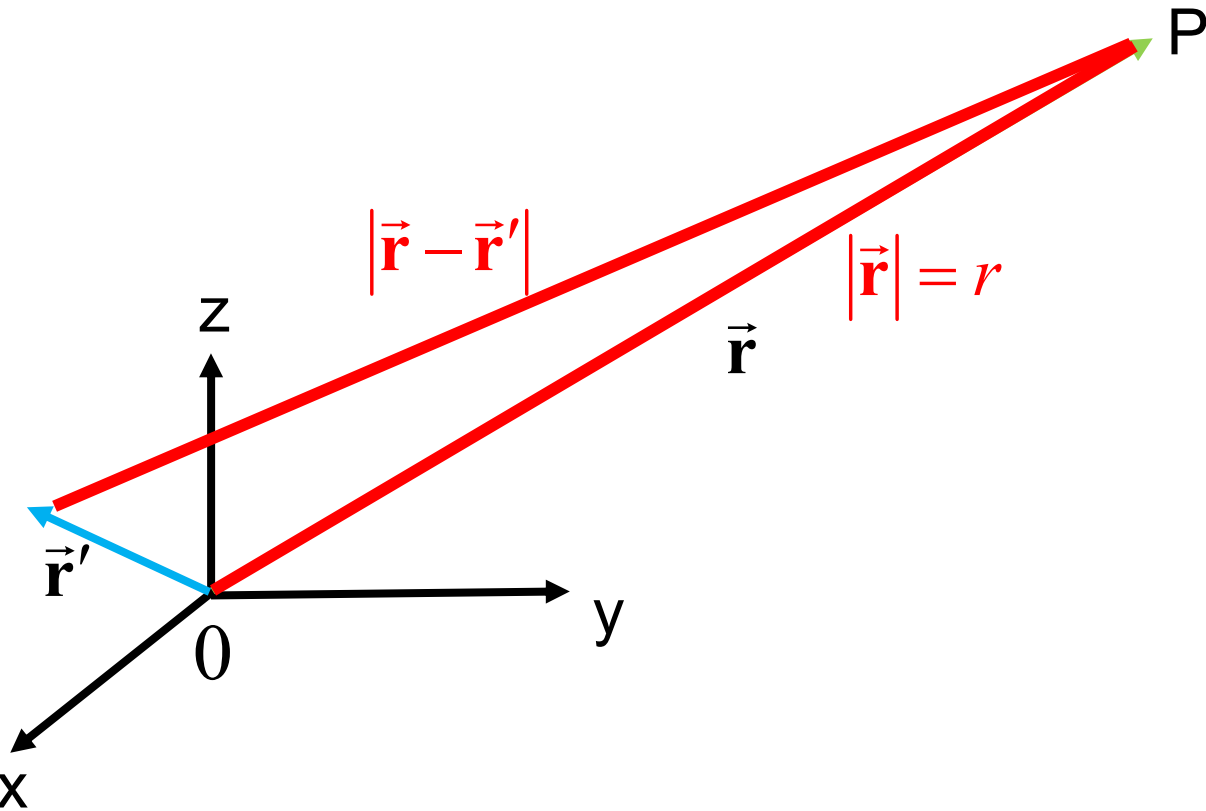
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