

THE SOLUTION SPACES FOR INTEGRAL EQUATIONS OF THE SCATTERING THEORY¹

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The integral equations expressing the scalar wave functions for the exterior region of a smooth and bounded scatterer in terms of the potential Green's function have recently been found [2], [3]. In the following note we discuss the solutions for these equations.

1. The statement of the problem. Let B denote the boundary of a smooth, closed and bounded surface in E^3 , and V the exterior of B . Erect a spherical polar coordinate system with origin interior to B ; and denote by \mathbf{r} a point (r, θ, ϕ) in V and by \mathbf{r}_B a point (r_B, θ_B, ϕ_B) on B . Further let v be a scalar wave function for the exterior V , i.e.,

(a) $v(\mathbf{r})$ is of class C^2 , $\mathbf{r} \in \bar{V} = V \cup B$,

(b) $(\nabla^2 + k^2)v(\mathbf{r}) = 0$, $\mathbf{r} \in \bar{V}$; k , the wave number, is assumed to be complex,

(c) $r(\partial v / \partial r - ikv) = o(1)$, $r \rightarrow \infty$, uniformly in θ and ϕ .

Then, we obtain the equation

$$(D) \quad \omega = K_1 \omega + u_1^{(0)}$$

for the Dirichlet problem, and the equation

$$(N) \quad \omega = (K_1 + K_2)\omega + u_2^{(0)}$$

for the Neumann problem; where

$$(1) \quad \omega = \exp(-ikr)v,$$

$$(2) \quad \omega \rightarrow K_1 \omega = -2ik \int_V dv_1 \frac{G_0(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}_1)}{r_1} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} [r_1 \omega(\mathbf{r}_1)],$$

$$(3) \quad \omega \rightarrow K_2 \omega = ik \int_B d\sigma_B G_0(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}_B) \hat{n} \circ \hat{r}_B \omega(\mathbf{r}_B),$$

$$(4) \quad u_1^{(0)} = \int_B d\sigma_B \omega(\mathbf{r}_B) \frac{\partial}{\partial n} G_0(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}_B),$$

$$(5) \quad u_2^{(0)} = - \int_B d\sigma_B G_0(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}_B) \exp(-ikr_B) \frac{\partial \omega(\mathbf{r}_B)}{\partial n}.$$

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