

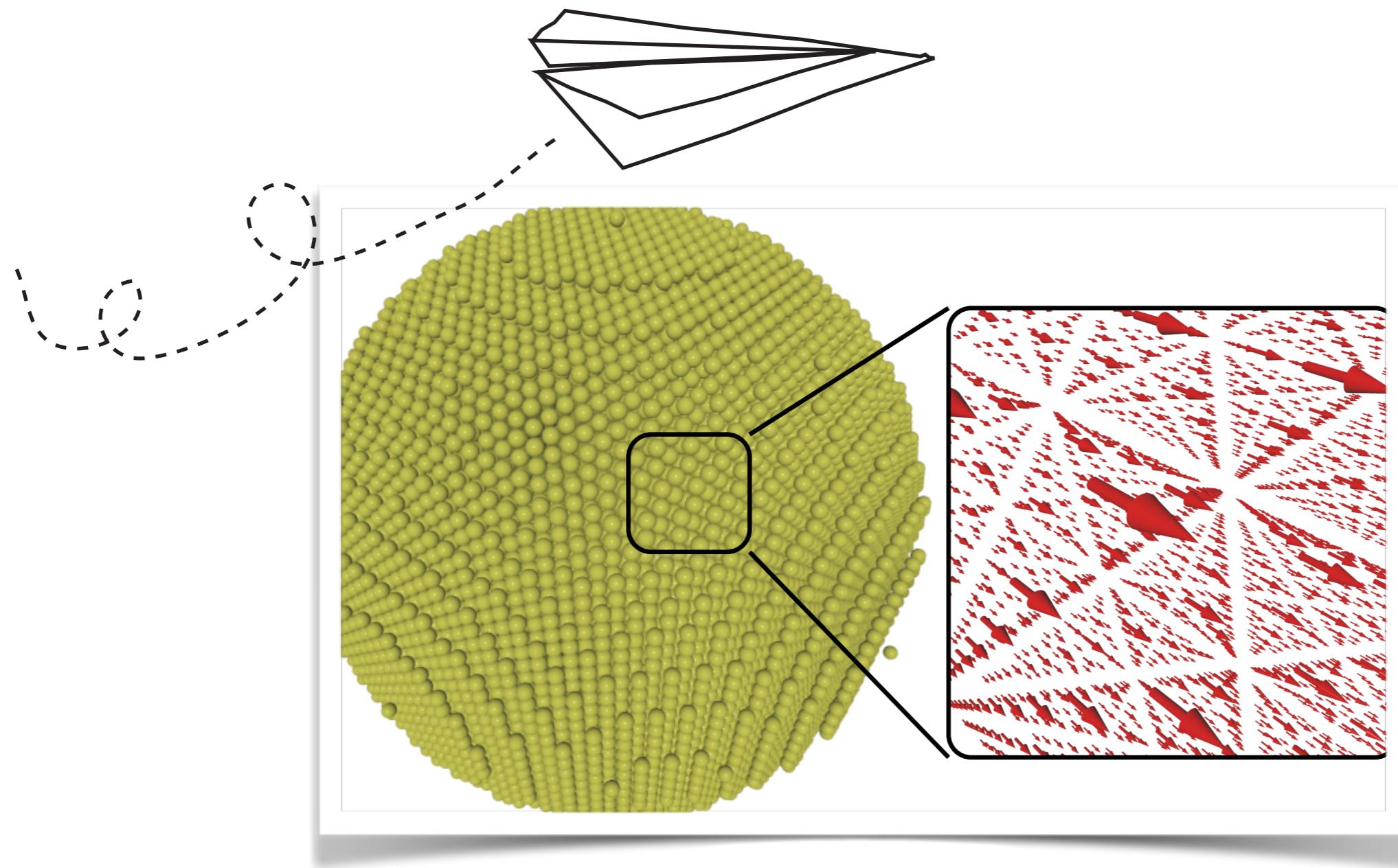


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" [...] arguably the most efficient and elegant approach when it is applicable  
— Anonymous



# The Scattering Problem



# Computational Light Scattering

- Finite differences (time domain)
- Finite elements
- Boundary elements

## T-matrix

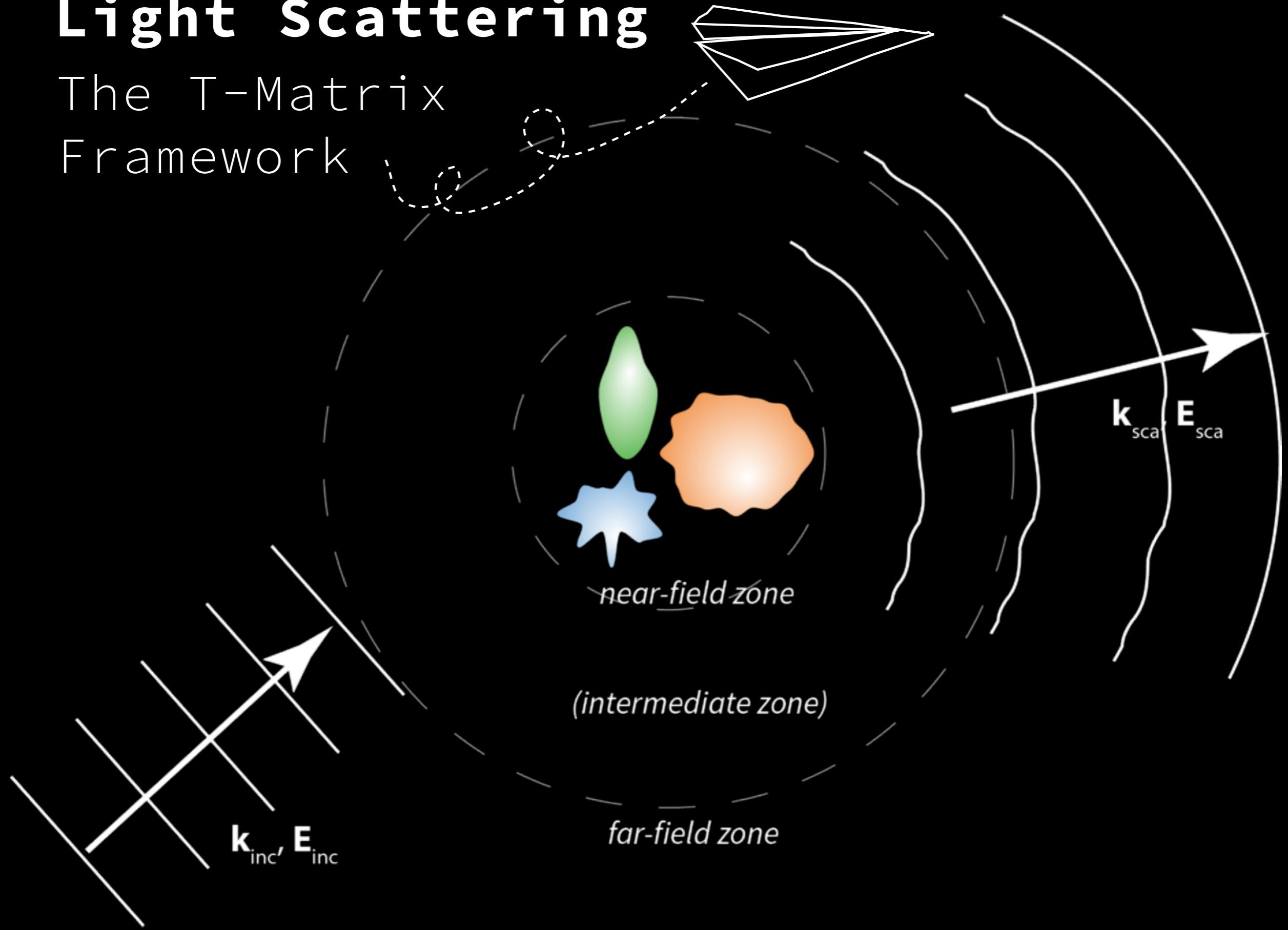
- Mie theory
- Periodic structures, ...

- Approximations, ...

Numerical  
Analytical

# Light Scattering

## The T-Matrix Framework



# Transition Matrix

$$\mathbf{E}_{\text{inc}} = E_0 \sum_{n,m} a_{nm} \mathbf{M}_{nm}^{(1)}(k_1 \mathbf{r}) + b_{nm} \mathbf{N}_{nm}^{(1)}(k_1 \mathbf{r})$$

$$\mathbf{E}_{\text{sca}} = E_0 \sum_{n,m} p_{nm} \mathbf{M}_{nm}^{(3)}(k_1 \mathbf{r}) + q_{nm} \mathbf{N}_{nm}^{(3)}(k_1 \mathbf{r})$$

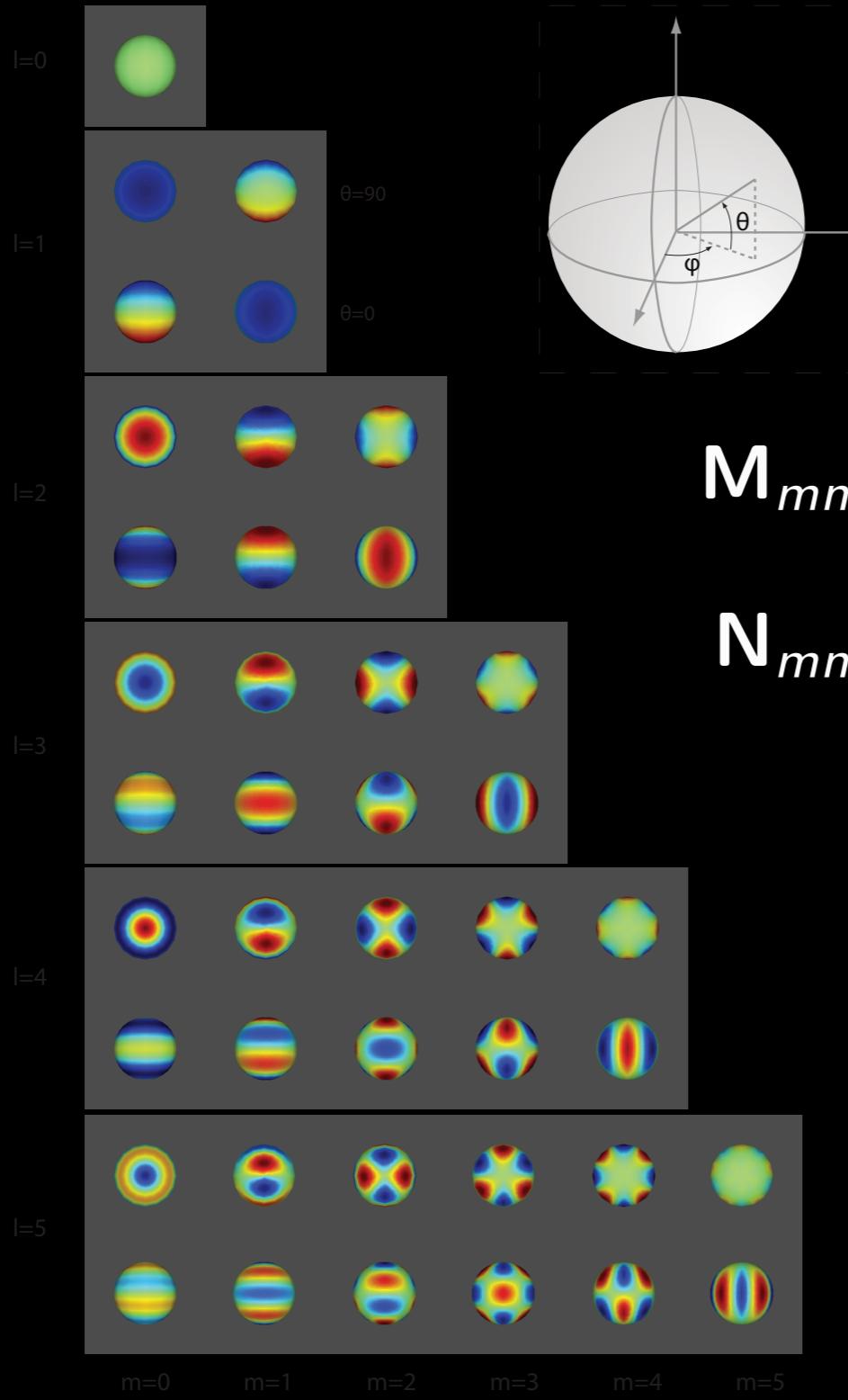


$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{p} \\ \mathbf{q} \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{T} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a} \\ \mathbf{b} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{T} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{T}^{11} & \mathbf{T}^{12} \\ \mathbf{T}^{21} & \mathbf{T}^{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

electric-electric  
magnetic-electric  
electric-magnetic  
magnetic-magnetic

# Scattering & VSWFs



## Vector Spherical Wave Functions

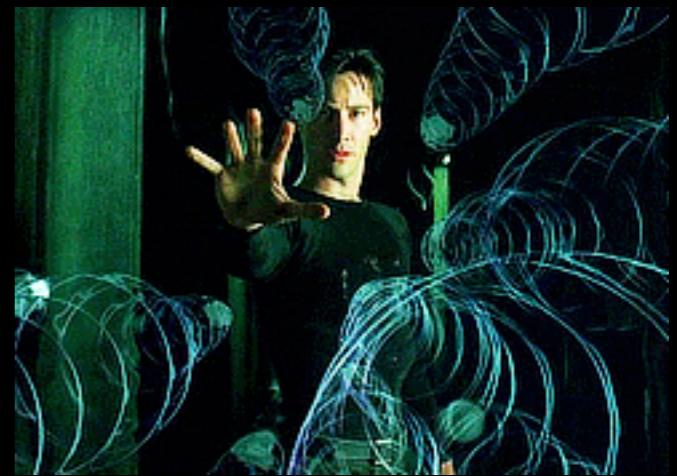
$$\mathbf{M}_{mn}(k\mathbf{r}) = N_n h_n(k\mathbf{r}) \nabla \times (\mathbf{r} Y_n^m(\theta, \phi))$$

$$\mathbf{N}_{mn}(k\mathbf{r}) = \frac{h_n(k\mathbf{r})}{kr N_n} \hat{\mathbf{r}} Y_n^m(\theta, \phi) +$$

$$N_n \left[ h_{n-1}(k\mathbf{r}) - \frac{nh_n(k\mathbf{r})}{kr} \right] \mathbf{r} \nabla Y_n^m(\theta, \phi)$$

kind of like  
spherical harmonics

# Incident Field $\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a} \\ \mathbf{b} \end{pmatrix} = \dots$



$$\mathbf{E} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-n}^n a_{mn} \mathbf{M}^{(1)}(k_1, \mathbf{r}) + b_{mn} \mathbf{N}^{(1)}(k_1, \mathbf{r})$$

- “simple” angular functions for a plane wave  
(family of Legendre functions)  
*“easy”*
- point-matching for an arbitrary beam  
*harder*

# Calculating T

— Painful —



The boundary conditions require continuity of the tangential components of the electric and magnetic fields, i.e.,

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a} \\ \mathbf{b} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{Q} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{c} \\ \mathbf{d} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Q}^{11} & \mathbf{Q}^{12} \\ \mathbf{Q}^{21} & \mathbf{Q}^{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{c} \\ \mathbf{d} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{r} \in S, \quad (5.178)$$

where the subscript minus labels the fields on the *interior* side of the particle surface (cf. Eqs. (1.13) and (1.15)). Substituting Eqs. (5.176)–(5.178) into Eq. (5.173) and using Eq. (5.169), we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a} \\ \mathbf{b} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{Q} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{c} \\ \mathbf{d} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Q}^{11} & \mathbf{Q}^{12} \\ \mathbf{Q}^{21} & \mathbf{Q}^{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{c} \\ \mathbf{d} \end{bmatrix}, \quad (5.179)$$

where

$$Q_{mn'm'}^{11} = -ik_1 k_2 J_{mn'm'}^{21} - ik_1^2 J_{mn'm'}^{12}, \quad (5.180)$$

$$Q_{mn'm'}^{12} = -ik_1 k_2 J_{mn'm'}^{11} - ik_1^2 J_{mn'm'}^{22}, \quad (5.181)$$

$$Q_{mn'm'}^{21} = -ik_1 k_2 J_{mn'm'}^{22} - ik_1^2 J_{mn'm'}^{11}, \quad (5.182)$$

$$Q_{mn'm'}^{22} = -ik_1 k_2 J_{mn'm'}^{12} - ik_1^2 J_{mn'm'}^{21}, \quad (5.183)$$

and

$$\begin{bmatrix} J_{mn'm'}^{11} \\ J_{mn'm'}^{12} \\ J_{mn'm'}^{21} \\ J_{mn'm'}^{22} \end{bmatrix} = (-1)^n \int_S dS \hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} Rg\mathbf{M}_{m'n'}(k_2 r, \theta, \varphi) \times \mathbf{M}_{-mn}(k_1 r, \theta, \varphi) \\ Rg\mathbf{M}_{m'n'}(k_2 r, \theta, \varphi) \times \mathbf{N}_{-mn}(k_1 r, \theta, \varphi) \\ Rg\mathbf{N}_{m'n'}(k_2 r, \theta, \varphi) \times \mathbf{M}_{-mn}(k_1 r, \theta, \varphi) \\ Rg\mathbf{N}_{m'n'}(k_2 r, \theta, \varphi) \times \mathbf{N}_{-mn}(k_1 r, \theta, \varphi) \end{bmatrix}. \quad (5.184)$$

Similarly, substituting Eqs. (5.176)–(5.178) into Eq. (5.175) yields

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p} \\ \mathbf{q} \end{bmatrix} = -Rg\mathbf{Q} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{c} \\ \mathbf{d} \end{bmatrix} = -\begin{bmatrix} Rg\mathbf{Q}^{11} & Rg\mathbf{Q}^{12} \\ Rg\mathbf{Q}^{21} & Rg\mathbf{Q}^{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{c} \\ \mathbf{d} \end{bmatrix}, \quad (5.185)$$

where

$$RgQ_{mn'm'}^{11} = -ik_1 k_2 RgJ_{mn'm'}^{21} - ik_1^2 RgJ_{mn'm'}^{12}, \quad (5.186)$$

$$RgQ_{mn'm'}^{12} = -ik_1 k_2 RgJ_{mn'm'}^{11} - ik_1^2 RgJ_{mn'm'}^{22}, \quad (5.187)$$

$$RgQ_{mn'm'}^{21} = -ik_1 k_2 RgJ_{mn'm'}^{22} - ik_1^2 RgJ_{mn'm'}^{11}, \quad (5.188)$$

$$RgQ_{mn'm'}^{22} = -ik_1 k_2 RgJ_{mn'm'}^{12} - ik_1^2 RgJ_{mn'm'}^{21}, \quad (5.189)$$

and

$$\begin{bmatrix} RgJ_{mn'm'}^{11} \\ RgJ_{mn'm'}^{12} \\ RgJ_{mn'm'}^{21} \\ RgJ_{mn'm'}^{22} \end{bmatrix} = (-1)^n \int_S dS \hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} Rg\mathbf{M}_{m'n'}(k_2 r, \theta, \varphi) \times Rg\mathbf{M}_{-mn}(k_1 r, \theta, \varphi) \\ Rg\mathbf{M}_{m'n'}(k_2 r, \theta, \varphi) \times Rg\mathbf{N}_{-mn}(k_1 r, \theta, \varphi) \\ Rg\mathbf{N}_{m'n'}(k_2 r, \theta, \varphi) \times Rg\mathbf{M}_{-mn}(k_1 r, \theta, \varphi) \\ Rg\mathbf{N}_{m'n'}(k_2 r, \theta, \varphi) \times Rg\mathbf{N}_{-mn}(k_1 r, \theta, \varphi) \end{bmatrix}. \quad (5.190)$$

- $\iint \{\text{products of VSWFs}\}$
- Simplifications for axial symmetry
- Simple for spheres
- Requires regular shapes
- “Rayleigh hypothesis”
- Codes available :)

# Rotations



Translation-Addition Theorems Etc.

... more horrible formulas  
(but they exist)

# Strengths



- Analytical properties, e.g. **angular averaging**

$$\langle C_{\text{ext}} \rangle = - \frac{2\pi}{k_1^2} \sum_{n,m} \text{Re} \left( T_{nn|m}^{11} + T_{nn|m}^{22} \right)$$

- Independent of incident beam
- **Multiple scattering**
- Fast, accurate, **physical meaning**

# The Force

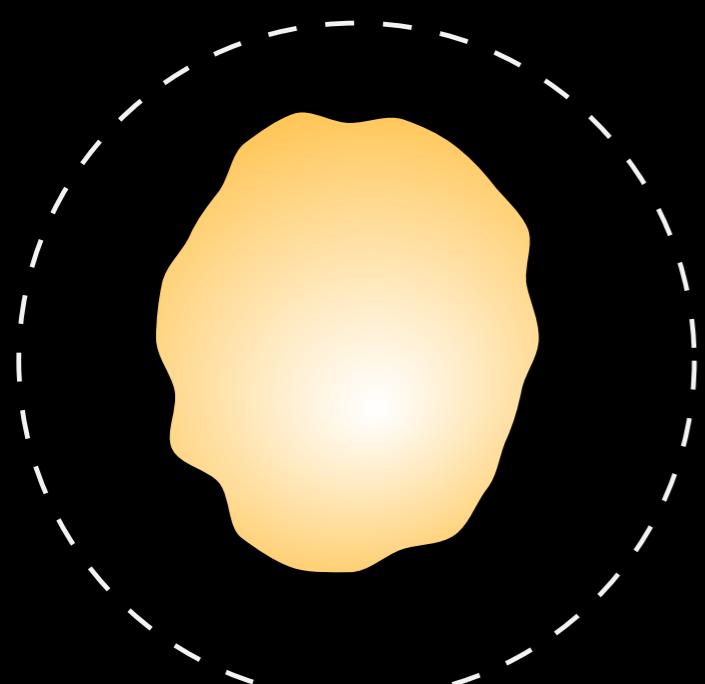
a.k.a Stress Tensor



Lorentz force

$$\mathbf{f} = q(\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B})$$

$\nabla_{xxx}$  magic



$$\mathbf{f} = \int_S \overleftrightarrow{\mathbf{T}} \cdot \mathbf{n} dS$$

$$\overleftrightarrow{\mathbf{T}} = \epsilon \mathbf{EE} - \mu \mathbf{HH} - \frac{1}{2} (\epsilon E^2 + \mu H^2) \overleftrightarrow{\mathbb{I}}$$

arbitrary  $S$

# Forces (Continued)



inc. - scat.

$$F_z = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-n}^n \frac{m}{n(n+1)} \Re(a_{nm}^* b_{nm} - p_{nm}^* q_{nm}) -$$

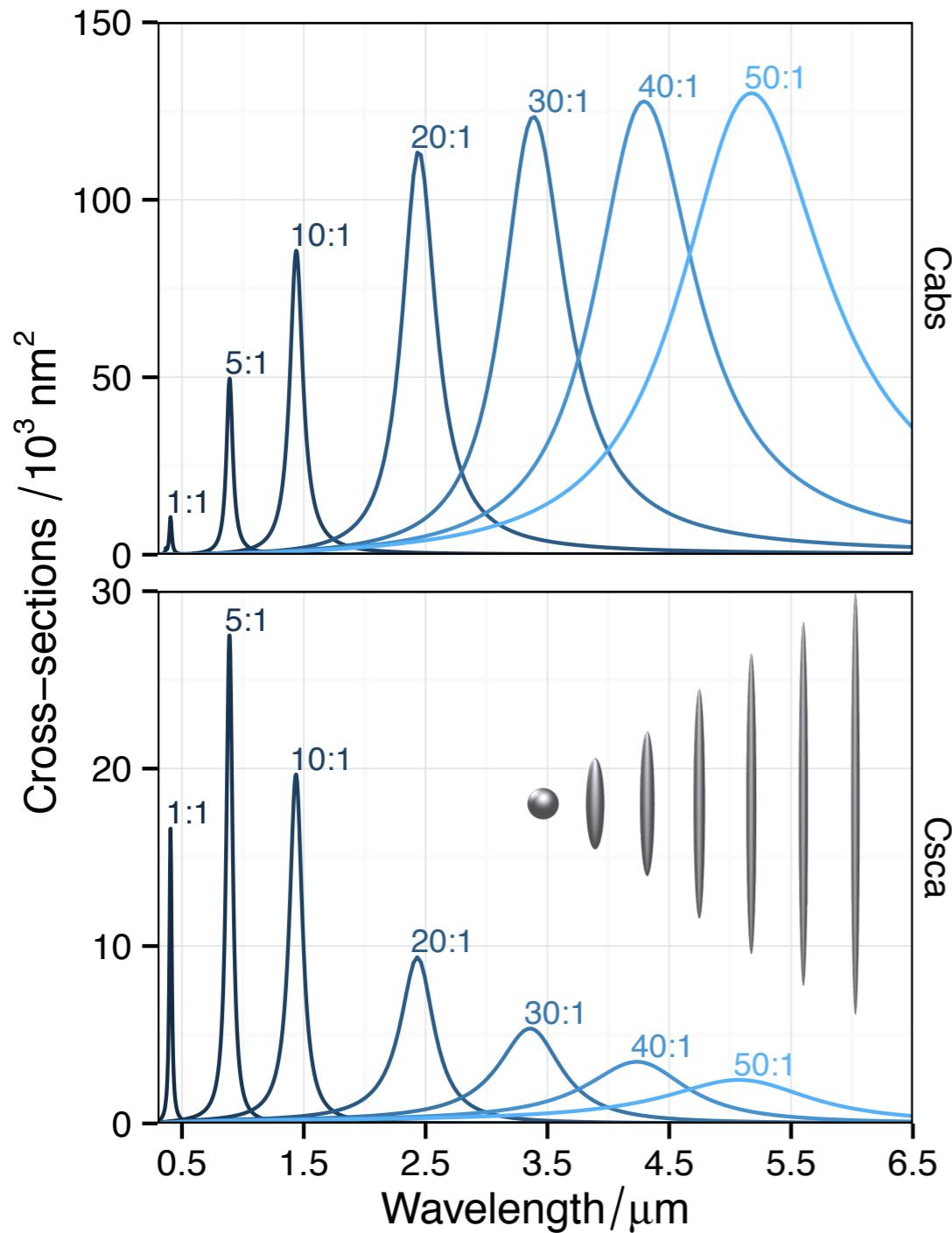
$$\frac{1}{n+1} \left[ \frac{n(n+2)(n-m+1)(n+m+1)}{(2n+1)(2n+3)} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\times \Re(a_{nm}a_{n+1,m}^* + b_{nm}b_{n+1,m}^* - p_{nm}p_{n+1,m}^* - q_{nm}q_{n+1,m}^*)$$

“Easy”

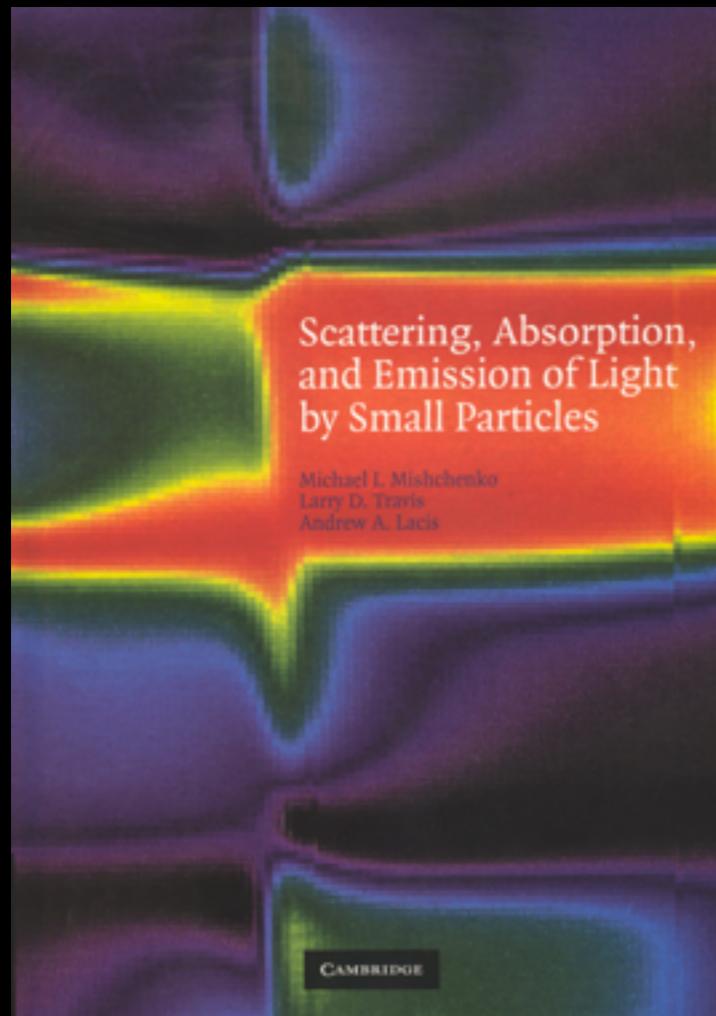
(once  $a, b, p, q$ -s are known)

# Computer Requirements



- Very fast (< 1 '')  
for **axi-symmetric** particles
- OK for arbitrary shape  
**BUT** convergence + complexity
- Tweezers:  
also need incident beam

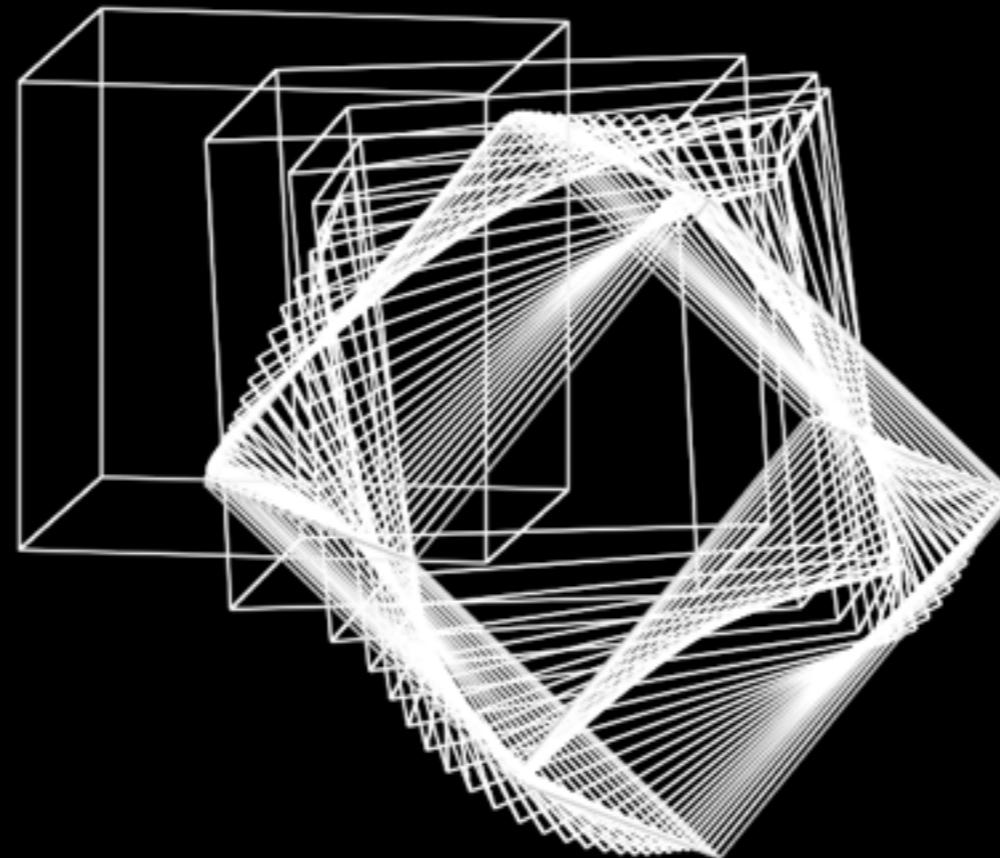
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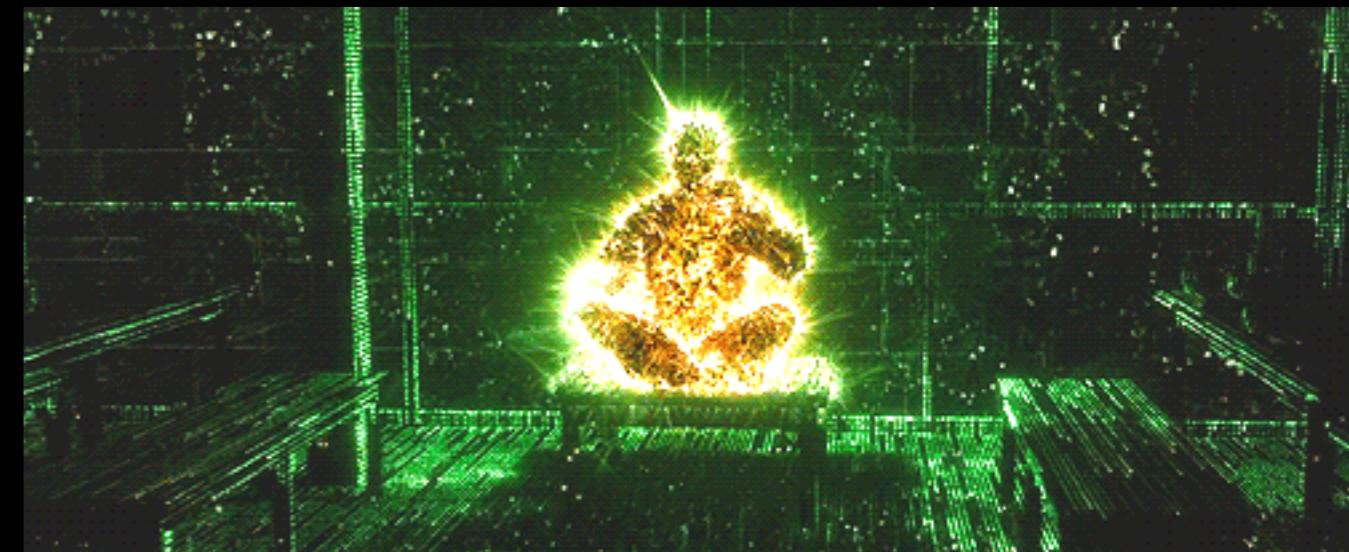
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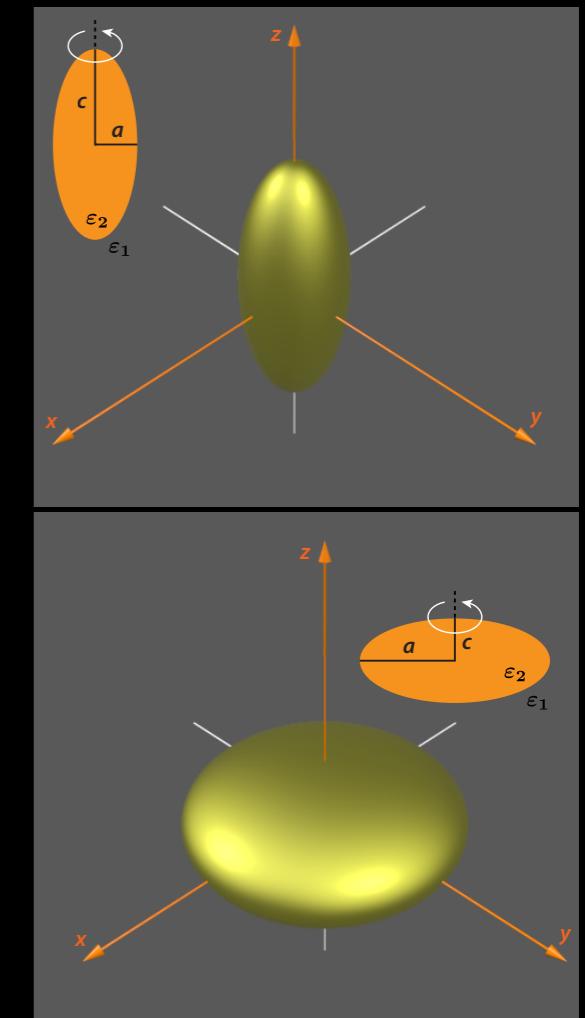
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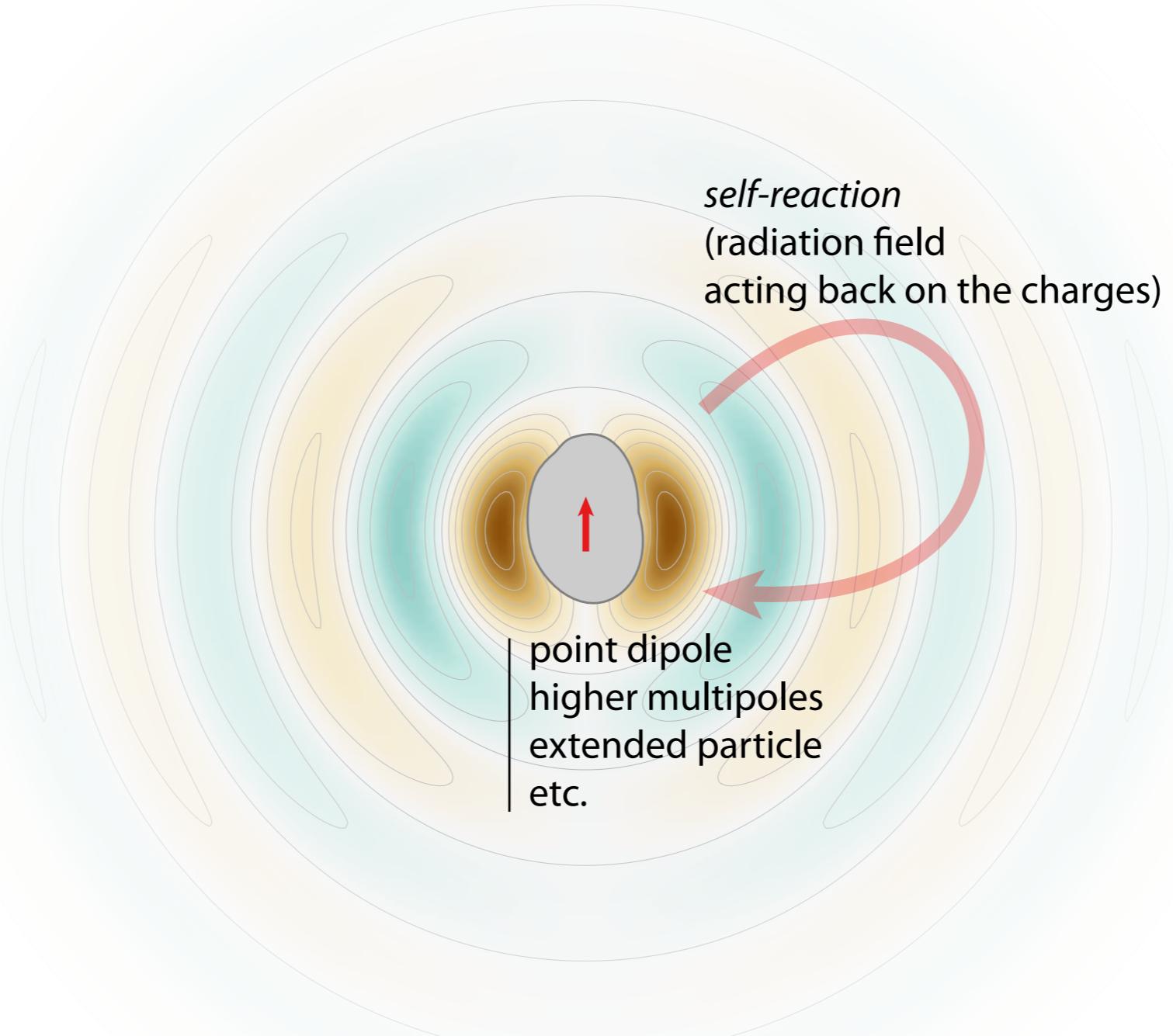


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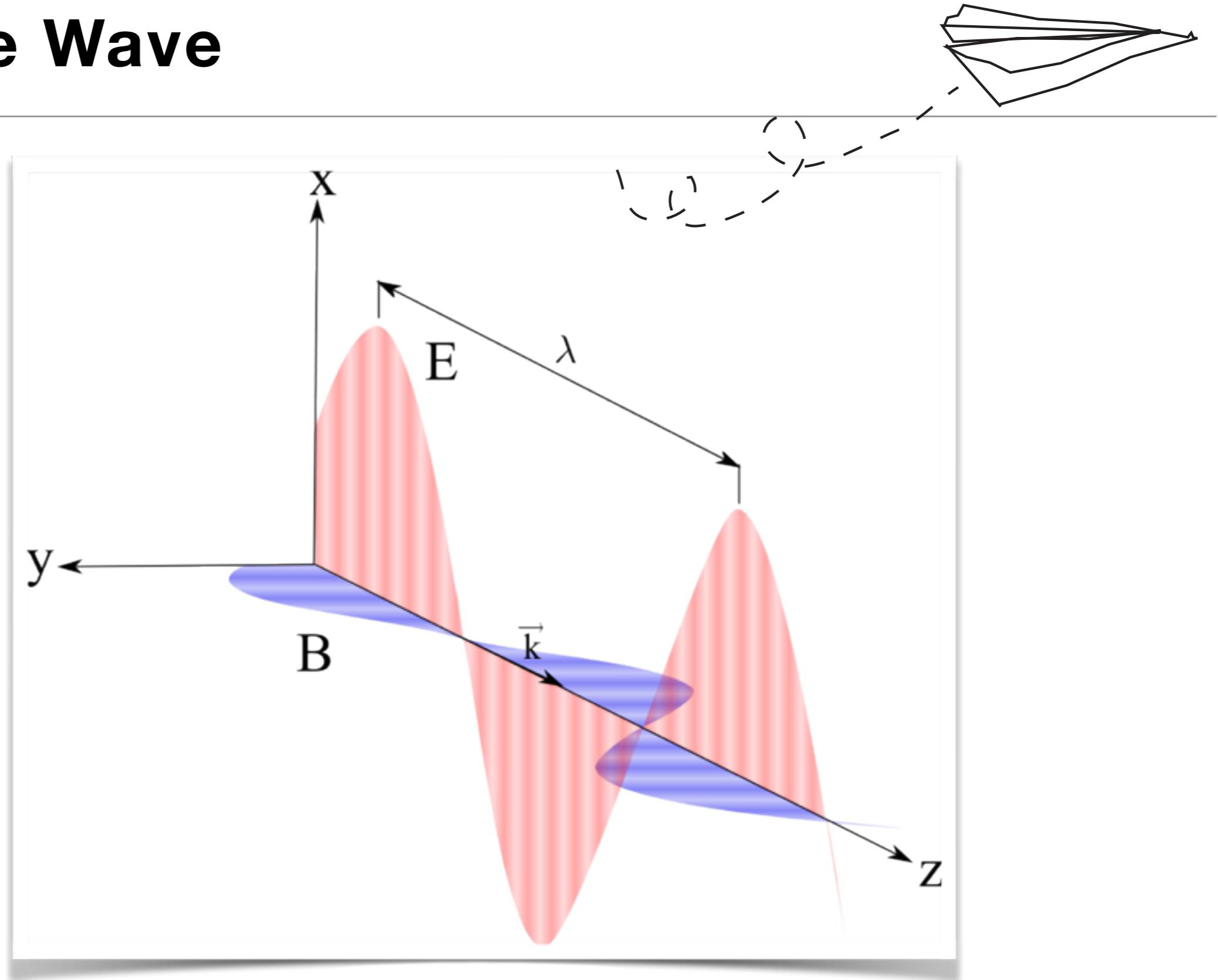


# Interlude: Radiation & Self-Reaction

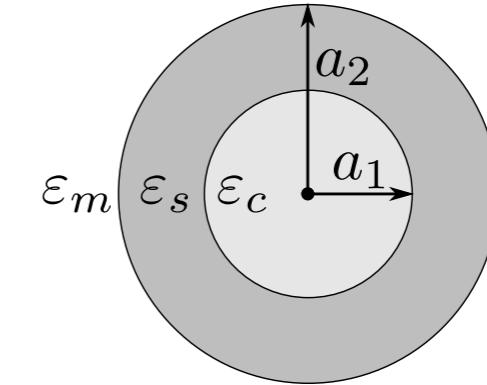
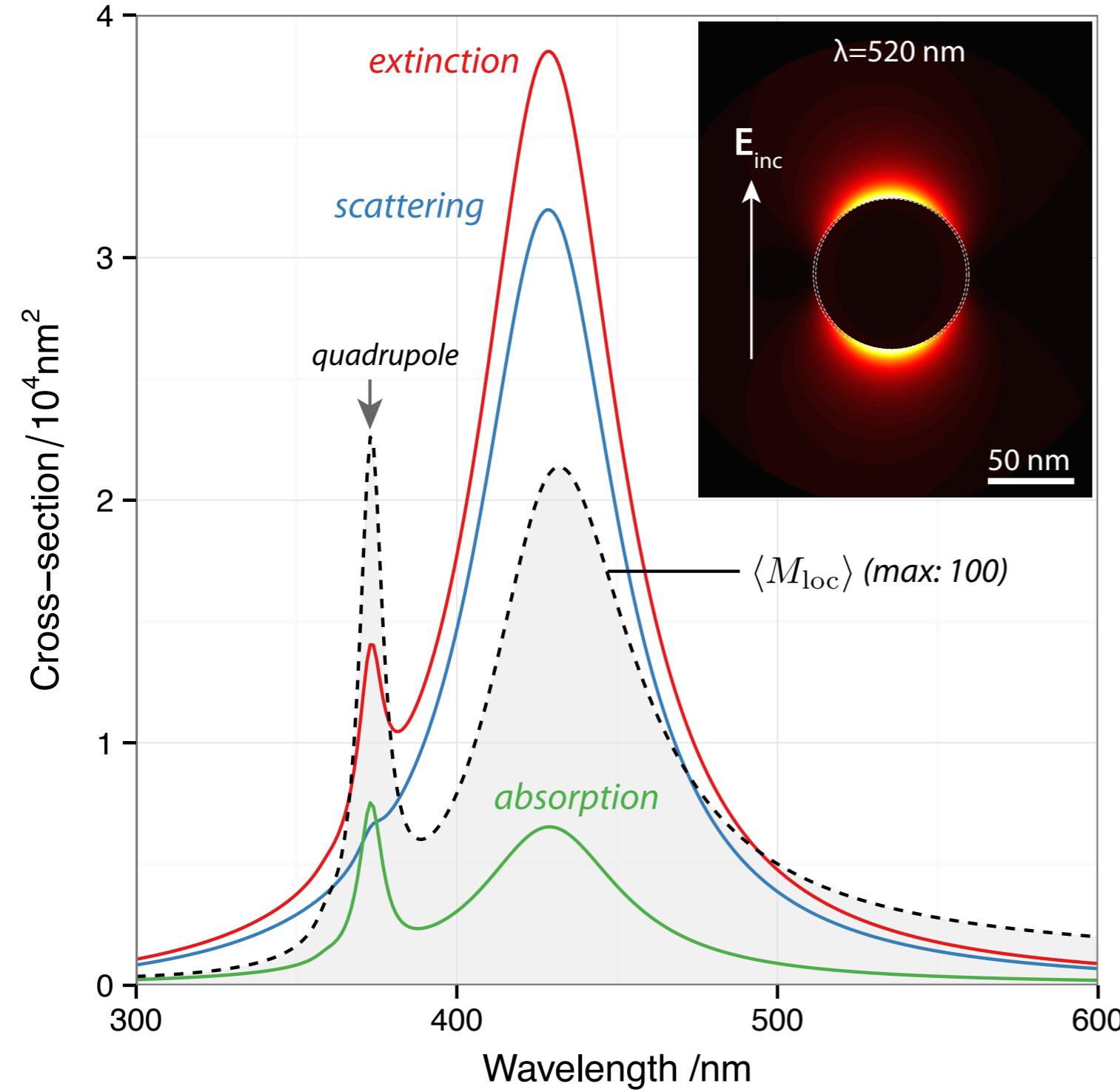


## Introducing The K-Matrix

# A Plane Wave



# Mie Theory



$$\mathbf{E}_{\text{Inc}} = E_0 \sum_{l,m} a_{lm} \mathbf{M}_{lm}^{(1)}(k\mathbf{r}) + b_{lm} \mathbf{N}_{lm}^{(1)}(k\mathbf{r})$$

$$\mathbf{E}_{\text{Sca}} = E_0 \sum_{l,m} c_{lm} \mathbf{M}_{lm}^{(3)}(k\mathbf{r}) + d_{lm} \mathbf{N}_{lm}^{(3)}(k\mathbf{r})$$

$$c_l = \frac{s\psi_l(x)\psi'_l(sx) - \psi_l(sx)\psi'_l(x)}{\psi_l(sx)\xi'_l(x) - s\psi'_l(sx)\xi'_l(x)} a_l$$

$$d_l = \frac{\psi_l(x)\psi'_l(sx) - s\psi_l(sx)\psi'_l(x)}{s\psi_l(sx)\xi'_l(x) - \psi'_l(sx)\xi'_l(x)} b_l$$