

# Computation of Green's Functions and LDOS in SCUFF-EM

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## 1 Homogeneous Green's functions

Before doing anything we recall our notation and conventions for dyadic Green's functions. In a homogeneous material region with relative permittivity and permeability  $\{\epsilon^r, \mu^r\}$ , electric and magnetic volume currents  $\mathbf{J}, \mathbf{M}$  give rise to electric and magnetic fields  $\mathbf{E}, \mathbf{H}$  according to

$$\begin{Bmatrix} E_i(\mathbf{x}) \\ H_i(\mathbf{x}) \end{Bmatrix} = \int \begin{pmatrix} \Gamma_{ij}^{\text{EE}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') & \Gamma_{ij}^{\text{EM}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') \\ \Gamma_{ij}^{\text{ME}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') & \Gamma_{ij}^{\text{MM}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} J_i(\mathbf{x}) \\ M_i(\mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix} dV$$

where

$$\mathbf{\Gamma}^{\text{EE}} = ikZ_0Z^r\mathbb{G} \quad (1a)$$

$$\mathbf{\Gamma}^{\text{EM}} = ik\mathbb{C} \quad (1b)$$

$$\mathbf{\Gamma}^{\text{ME}} = -ik\mathbb{C} \quad (1c)$$

$$\mathbf{\Gamma}^{\text{MM}} = \frac{ik}{Z_0Z^r}\mathbb{G} \quad (1d)$$

where  $k = \sqrt{\epsilon^r\mu^r} \cdot \omega$  is the photon wavenumber in the medium,  $Z^r = \sqrt{\frac{\mu^r}{\epsilon^r}}$  is the dimensionless relative wave impedance,  $Z_0 \approx 377 \Omega$  is the impedance of free space, and the  $\mathbb{G}$  and  $\mathbb{C}$  tensors are

$$\mathbb{G}_{ij}(k, \mathbf{r}) = \frac{e^{ikr}}{4\pi(ik)^2r^3} \left[ \left( 1 - ikr + (ikr)^2 \right) \delta_{ij} + \left( -3 + 3ikr - (ikr)^2 \right) \frac{r_i r_j}{r^2} \right] \quad (2a)$$

$$\mathbb{C}_{ij}(k, \mathbf{r}) = \frac{e^{ikr}}{4\pi(ik)r^3} \epsilon_{ijk} r_k. \quad (2b)$$

## 2 Scattering Green's functions and LDOS in the non-periodic case

In the presence of scatterers, the scattering parts of the electric and magnetic dyadic Green's functions (DGFs) are

$$\mathcal{G}_{ij}^{\mathbf{E}}(\omega; \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') \equiv \frac{1}{ikZ_0Z^r} \begin{pmatrix} i\text{-component of scattered } \mathbf{E}\text{-field at } \mathbf{x} \text{ due to a unit-} \\ \text{strength } j\text{-directed point } \mathbf{electric} \text{ dipole radiator at} \\ \mathbf{x}', \text{ all quantities having time dependence } \sim e^{-i\omega t} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathcal{G}_{ij}^{\mathbf{M}}(\omega; \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') \equiv \frac{Z_0Z^r}{ik} \begin{pmatrix} i\text{-component of scattered } \mathbf{H}\text{-field at } \mathbf{x} \text{ due to a unit-} \\ \text{strength } j\text{-directed point } \mathbf{magnetic} \text{ dipole radiator} \\ \text{at } \mathbf{x}', \text{ all quantities having time dependence } \sim e^{-i\omega t} \end{pmatrix}$$

Note that the prefactors in the definitions here are the reciprocals of those in (1a,d), and that  $\mathcal{G}^{\mathbf{E},\mathbf{M}}$  both have dimensions of inverse length.

The enhancement of the local density of states (LDOS) at frequency  $\omega$  and at a point  $\mathbf{x}$  in a scattering geometry is related to the scattering DGFs according to<sup>1</sup>

$$\text{LDOS}(\omega; \mathbf{x}) \equiv \frac{\rho(\omega; \mathbf{x})}{\rho_0(\omega)} \equiv \frac{\pi}{k_0^2} \text{Tr Im} \left[ \mathcal{G}^{\mathbf{E}}(\omega; \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}) + \mathcal{G}^{\mathbf{M}}(\omega; \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}) \right]$$

where  $\rho_0(\omega) \equiv k_0^3/(\pi c)$  is the free-space LDOS and  $k_0 = \omega/c$  is the free-space wavenumber at the frequency in question.

In SCUFF-EM the dyadic GFs may be computed easily by solving a scattering problem in which the incident fields arise from a point dipole radiator at a source point  $\mathbf{x}_s$ . For example, to compute  $\mathcal{G}^{\mathbf{E}}$  we take the incident fields to be the fields of a unit-strength  $j$ -directed point electric dipole source at  $\mathbf{s}^s$ :

$$\mathbf{E}^{\text{inc}}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{E}^{\text{ED}}(\mathbf{x}; \{\mathbf{x}_s, \hat{\mathbf{x}}_j\}), \quad \mathbf{H}^{\text{inc}}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{H}^{\text{ED}}(\mathbf{x}; \{\mathbf{x}_s, \hat{\mathbf{x}}_j\}) \quad (3)$$

where  $\{\mathbf{E}, \mathbf{H}\}^{\text{ED}}(\mathbf{x}; \{\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{p}_0\})$  are the fields of a point electric dipole radiator at  $\mathbf{x}_0$  with dipole moment  $\mathbf{p}_0$ . (Expressions for these fields are given in Appendix A). Then we simply solve an ordinary SCUFF-EM scattering problem with the incident fields given by equation (3) and compute the scattered—not total!—fields at the evaluation point  $\mathbf{x}_d$ . The three components of the  $\mathbf{E}$ -field at  $\mathbf{x}_d$ , divided by  $ikZ_0Z^r$ , yield the three vertical entries of the  $j$ th column of the  $3 \times 3$  matrix  $\mathcal{G}^{\mathbf{E}}(\omega; \mathbf{x}_d, \mathbf{x}_s)$ . Calculating  $\mathcal{G}^{\mathbf{M}}$  is similar except that we use a point magnetic source to supply the incident field and compute the scattered  $\mathbf{H}$  field instead of the scattered  $\mathbf{E}$  field.

<sup>1</sup>K Joulain et al., “Definition and measurement of the local density of electromagnetic states close to an interface,” *Physical Review B* **68** 245405 (2003)

### 3 Extension to the periodic case

In the Bloch-periodic module of SCUFF-EM, *all* fields and currents are assumed to be Bloch-periodic, i.e. if  $Q(\mathbf{x})$  denotes any field or current component at  $\mathbf{x}$ , then we have the built-in assumption

$$Q(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{L}) = e^{i\mathbf{k}_B \cdot \mathbf{L}} Q(\mathbf{x}) \quad (4)$$

where  $\mathbf{L}$  is any lattice vector and  $\mathbf{k}_B$  is the Bloch wavevector.

The fields of a point dipole, equation (3), do *not* satisfy (4), and hence may not be used in Bloch-periodic SCUFF-EM calculations. Instead, what we can simulate in the periodic case are the fields of an infinite phased *array* of point electric dipoles,

$$\mathbf{E}^{\text{EDA}}(\mathbf{x}; \{\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{p}_0, \mathbf{k}_B\}) = \sum_{\mathbf{L}} e^{i\mathbf{k}_B \cdot \mathbf{L}} \mathbf{E}^{\text{ED}}(\mathbf{x}; \{\mathbf{x}_0 + \mathbf{L}, \mathbf{p}_0\}), \quad (5a)$$

$$\mathbf{H}^{\text{EDA}}(\mathbf{x}; \{\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{p}_0, \mathbf{k}_B\}) = \sum_{\mathbf{L}} e^{i\mathbf{k}_B \cdot \mathbf{L}} \mathbf{H}^{\text{ED}}(\mathbf{x}; \{\mathbf{x}_0 + \mathbf{L}, \mathbf{p}_0\}), \quad (5b)$$

(where “EDA” stands for “electric dipole array”). The quantities we can compute in a single SCUFF-EM scattering calculation are now the periodically phased versions of the DGFs, i.e. (suppressing  $\omega$  arguments),

$$\overline{\mathcal{G}}_{ij}^{\text{E}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}', \mathbf{k}_B) \equiv \sum_{\mathbf{L}} e^{i\mathbf{k}_B \cdot \mathbf{L}} \mathcal{G}_{ij}^{\text{E}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}' + \mathbf{L}), \quad (6)$$

with  $\overline{\mathcal{G}}_{ij}^{\text{M}}$  defined similarly. (Here and elsewhere, barred symbols denote Bloch-periodic quantities.) To recover the non-periodic Green’s function—that is, the response of our periodic geometry to a *non-periodic* point source—we must perform a Brillouin-zone integration:<sup>2</sup>

$$\mathcal{G}_{ij}^{\text{E}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \frac{1}{\mathcal{V}_{\text{BZ}}} \int_{\text{BZ}} \overline{\mathcal{G}}_{ij}^{\text{E}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}', \mathbf{k}_B) d\mathbf{k}_B \quad (7)$$

and similarly for  $\mathcal{G}^{\text{M}}$ .

### Reciprocity of homogeneous Green’s functions

The non-periodic Green’s functions  $\mathbb{G}, \mathbb{C}$  satisfy the reciprocity relations

$$\mathbb{K}_{ji}(\mathbf{r}) = \mathbb{K}_{ij}(-\mathbf{r}).$$

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<sup>2</sup>To derive these equations, multiply both sides of (6) by  $e^{-i\mathbf{k}_B \cdot \mathbf{L}'}$ , integrate both sides over the Brillouin zone, and use the condition

$$\int_{\text{BZ}} e^{i\mathbf{k}_B \cdot (\mathbf{L} - \mathbf{L}')} d\mathbf{k} = \mathcal{V}_{\text{BZ}} \delta(\mathbf{L}, \mathbf{L}')$$

where  $\mathcal{V}_{\text{BZ}}$  is the Brillouin-zone volume [for example, a square lattice with basis vectors  $\{\mathbf{L}_1, \mathbf{L}_2\} = \{L_x \hat{\mathbf{x}}, L_y \hat{\mathbf{y}}\}$  has  $\mathcal{V}_{\text{BZ}} = 4\pi^2/(L_x L_y)$ ]. Setting  $\mathbf{L}' = 0$  recovers (7).

( $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{G}, \mathbb{C}$ ). Their periodic counterparts satisfy

$$\begin{aligned}
 \overline{\mathbb{K}}_{ji}(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{k}_B) &= \sum_{\mathbf{L}} e^{i\mathbf{k}_B \cdot \mathbf{L}} \mathbb{K}_{ji}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{L}) \\
 &= \sum_{\mathbf{L}} e^{i\mathbf{k}_B \cdot \mathbf{L}} \mathbb{K}_{ij}(-\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{L}) \\
 &= \sum_{\mathbf{L}} e^{-i\mathbf{k}_B \cdot \mathbf{L}} \mathbb{K}_{ij}(-\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{L}) \\
 &= \overline{\mathbb{K}}_{ij}(-\mathbf{r}; -\mathbf{k}_B).
 \end{aligned}$$

### Evaluation of BZ integrals

The SCUFF-EM API offers a routine for computing the integrand of (7) for given evaluation and source points  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}'$  and Bloch vector  $\mathbf{k}_B$ . To get the full Green's function on the LHS requires a numerical cubature over the Brillouin zone.

For a 2D square lattice with lattice vectors  $\mathbf{L}_1 = L_x \hat{\mathbf{x}}, \mathbf{L}_2 = L_y \hat{\mathbf{x}}$ , a set of reciprocal-lattice basis vectors is  $\mathbf{\Gamma}_1 = \left(\frac{2\pi}{L_x}\right) \hat{\mathbf{x}}, \mathbf{\Gamma}_2 = \left(\frac{2\pi}{L_y}\right) \hat{\mathbf{y}}$ , and Brillouin-zone integrals take the form

$$\frac{1}{\mathcal{V}_{\text{BZ}}} \int_{\text{BZ}} f(\mathbf{k}_B) d\mathbf{k}_B = 4 \int_0^{1/2} du_1 \int_0^{1/2} du_2 f(u_1 \mathbf{\Gamma}_1 + u_2 \mathbf{\Gamma}_2)$$

## 4 Vector-matrix-vector product formula for dyadic Green's functions

In the discretized BEM framework we can write convenient vector-matrix-vector product formulas for the scattering parts of the electric and magnetic DGFs.

### VMVP formula for $\mathcal{G}^E$

Consider first the electric DGF  $\mathcal{G}_{ij}^E(\mathbf{x}_D, \mathbf{x}_S)$ , where the subscripts stand for “destination” and “source.” To get at this, we must solve a scattering problem in which the incident fields are the fields radiated by a  $j$ -directed point dipole source  $\mathbf{p} = p_0 \hat{\mathbf{n}}_j$  at  $\mathbf{x}_S$ :

$$\begin{pmatrix} E_\ell^{\text{inc}}(\mathbf{x}) \\ H_\ell^{\text{inc}}(\mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix} = -i\omega p_0 \begin{pmatrix} \Gamma_{\ell j}^{\text{EE}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_S) \\ \Gamma_{\ell j}^{\text{ME}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_S) \end{pmatrix} = (-i\omega p_0) \begin{pmatrix} ikZ_0 Z^r \mathbb{G}_{\ell j}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_S) \\ -ik\mathbb{C}_{\ell j}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_S) \end{pmatrix} \quad (8)$$

The scattered electric field at  $\mathbf{x}_D$  is obtained from the surface currents  $\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{N}$  according to

$$E_i^{\text{scat}}(\mathbf{x}_D) = \int \begin{pmatrix} \Gamma_{i\ell}^{\text{EE}}(\mathbf{x}_D, \mathbf{x}) \\ \Gamma_{i\ell}^{\text{EM}}(\mathbf{x}_D, \mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} K_\ell(\mathbf{x}) \\ N_\ell(\mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix} d\mathbf{x} \quad (9)$$

$$= \int \begin{pmatrix} ikZ_0 Z^r \mathbb{G}_{i\ell}(\mathbf{x}_D, \mathbf{x}) \\ +ik\mathbb{C}_{i\ell}(\mathbf{x}_D, \mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} K_\ell(\mathbf{x}) \\ N_\ell(\mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix} d\mathbf{x} \quad (10)$$

Insert the expansions  $\mathbf{K}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum k_a \mathbf{b}_a(\mathbf{x})$ ,  $\mathbf{N}(\mathbf{x}) = -Z_0 \sum n_a \mathbf{b}_a(\mathbf{x})$ :

$$= \sum_a \begin{pmatrix} ikZ_0 Z^r g_a(\mathbf{x}_D, \hat{\mathbf{n}}_i) \\ -ikZ_0 c_a(\mathbf{x}_D, \hat{\mathbf{n}}_i) \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} k_a \\ n_a \end{pmatrix} \quad (11)$$

where I defined

$$g_a(\mathbf{x}_D, \hat{\mathbf{n}}_i) \equiv \int \mathbb{G}_{i\ell}(\mathbf{x}_D, \mathbf{x}) b_{a\ell}(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}, \quad c_a(\mathbf{x}_D, \hat{\mathbf{n}}_i) \equiv \int \mathbb{C}_{i\ell}(\mathbf{x}_D, \mathbf{x}) b_{a\ell}(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}.$$

The surface-current expansion coefficients are obtained by solving the BEM system:

$$\begin{pmatrix} k_a \\ n_a \end{pmatrix} = -W_{ab} \begin{pmatrix} e_b \\ h_b \end{pmatrix}. \quad (12)$$

Here  $\mathbf{W}$  is the inverse BEM matrix and  $e_b, h_b$  are the projections of the incident field onto the basis functions:

$$\begin{aligned} e_b &\equiv \frac{1}{Z_0} \langle \mathbf{b}_m | \mathbf{E}^{\text{inc}} \rangle = (-i\omega p_0) (ikZ^r) \underbrace{\int b_{b\ell}(\mathbf{x}) \mathbb{G}_{\ell j}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_s) dx}_{g_b(\mathbf{x}_s, \hat{\mathbf{n}}_j)} \\ &= (-i\omega p_0) (ikZ^r) g_b(\mathbf{x}_s, \hat{\mathbf{n}}_j) \end{aligned} \quad (13a)$$

$$\begin{aligned} h_b &\equiv \langle \mathbf{b}_m | \mathbf{H}^{\text{inc}} \rangle = (-i\omega p_0) (ik) \underbrace{\left[ - \int b_{b\ell}(\mathbf{x}) \mathbb{C}_{\ell j}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_s) dx \right]}_{-c_b(\mathbf{x}_s, \hat{\mathbf{n}}_j)} \\ &= -(-i\omega p_0) (ik) c_b(\mathbf{x}_s, \hat{\mathbf{n}}_j). \end{aligned} \quad (13b)$$

Note that the  $g_b, c_b$  quantities are the same as the  $g_a, c_a$  computed above; this follows from reciprocity,  $\mathbb{O}_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \mathbb{O}_{ji}(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x})$  for  $\mathbb{O} = \{\mathbb{G}, \mathbb{C}\}$ .

Inserting (12) and (13) into (11), the scattered field at  $x_D$  takes the form of a vector-matrix-vector product,

$$\begin{pmatrix} E_i^{\text{scat}}(\mathbf{x}_D) \\ H_i^{\text{scat}}(\mathbf{x}_D) \end{pmatrix} = (i\omega p_0) \cdot \frac{1}{Z_0} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} ikZ_0 Z^r g_a(\mathbf{x}_D, \hat{\mathbf{n}}_i) \\ -ikZ_0 c_a(\mathbf{x}_D, \hat{\mathbf{n}}_i) \end{pmatrix}}_{\equiv (\mathbf{r}_{iD}^E)_a} \begin{pmatrix} W_{ab} \end{pmatrix} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} ikZ_0 Z^r g_b(\mathbf{x}_s, \hat{\mathbf{n}}_j) \\ -ikZ_0 c_b(\mathbf{x}_s, \hat{\mathbf{n}}_j) \end{pmatrix}}_{\equiv (\mathbf{r}_{jS}^E)_b} \quad (14)$$

and the scattering part of the electric DGF reads

$$\mathcal{G}_{ij}^E(\mathbf{x}_D, \mathbf{x}_s) = \frac{E_i^{\text{scat}}}{(ikZ_0 Z^r)(-i\omega p_0)} = -\frac{1}{ikZ_0^2 Z^r} (\mathbf{r}_{iD}^E \cdot \mathbf{W} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{jS}^E) \quad (15)$$

I think of the vectors  $\mathbf{r}_{iD}^E$  and  $\mathbf{r}_{jS}^E$  as “reduced-field” vectors; their dot product with a vector of surface-current coefficients yields the  $i, j$  components of the scattered electric fields at  $x^{D,S}$ .

## VMVP formula for $\mathcal{G}^M$

Computing the magnetic Green’s function entails the following modifications:

- The incident fields now arise from a point magnetic source of strength  $m_0$ . This changes equation (8) to read

$$\begin{pmatrix} E_\ell^{\text{inc}}(\mathbf{x}) \\ H_\ell^{\text{inc}}(\mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix} = -i\omega m_0 \begin{pmatrix} \Gamma_{\ell j}^{\text{EM}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_s) \\ \Gamma_{\ell j}^{\text{MM}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_s) \end{pmatrix} = (-i\omega m_0) \begin{pmatrix} ik\mathbb{C}_{\ell j}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_s) \\ \frac{ik}{Z_0 Z^r} \mathbb{G}_{\ell j}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_s) \end{pmatrix}$$

- The quantity I want to compute is the scattered magnetic field. This

replaces equation (11) with

$$H_i^{\text{scat}}(\mathbf{x}_D) = \int \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \Gamma_{i\ell}^{\text{ME}}(\mathbf{x}_D, \mathbf{x}) \\ \Gamma_{i\ell}^{\text{MM}}(\mathbf{x}_D, \mathbf{x}) \end{array} \right\}^T \left\{ \begin{array}{c} K_\ell(\mathbf{x}) \\ N_\ell(\mathbf{x}) \end{array} \right\} d\mathbf{x} \quad (16)$$

$$= \sum_a \left\{ \begin{array}{c} -ikc_a(\mathbf{x}_D, \hat{\mathbf{n}}_i) \\ -\frac{ik}{Z^r} g_a(\mathbf{x}_D, \hat{\mathbf{n}}_i) \end{array} \right\}^T \left\{ \begin{array}{c} k_a \\ n_a \end{array} \right\} \quad (17)$$

The expression analogous to (14) for the scattered magnetic field due to a magnetic source then reads

$$H_i^{\text{scat}} = + \frac{1}{Z_0} \underbrace{\left( \begin{array}{c} -ikc_a(\mathbf{x}_D, \hat{\mathbf{n}}_i) \\ -\frac{1}{ikZ^r} g_a(\mathbf{x}_D, \hat{\mathbf{n}}_i) \end{array} \right)^T}_{\equiv (\mathbf{r}_{iD}^H)_a} \left( W_{ab} \right) \underbrace{\left( \begin{array}{c} -ikc_b(\mathbf{x}_S, \hat{\mathbf{n}}_j) \\ -\frac{1}{ikZ^r} g_b(\mathbf{x}_S, \hat{\mathbf{n}}_j) \end{array} \right)}_{\equiv (\mathbf{r}_{jS}^H)_b}$$

so the scattering part of the magnetic DGF reads

$$\mathcal{G}_{ij}^H(\mathbf{x}_D, \mathbf{x}_S) = + \frac{Z_0 Z^r}{ik(-i\omega m_0)} H_i^{\text{scat}} = + \frac{Z^r}{ik} \left( \mathbf{r}_{iD}^H \cdot \mathbf{W} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{jS}^H \right). \quad (18)$$



## 5 API Routines for computing dyadic Green's functions

The SCUFF-EM API routine that computes the quantity  $\overline{\mathcal{G}}_{ij}^E(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}', k^B)$  in equation (7) is

```

-2-4pt-2-4pt      void RWGGeometry::GetDyadicGFs(double XEval[3], double XSource[3],
                                                           cdouble Omega, double kBloch[2],
                                                           HMatrix *M, HVector *KN,
                                                           cdouble GEScat[3][3],
                                                           cdouble GMScat[3][3],
                                                           cdouble GETot[3][3],
                                                           cdouble GMTot[3][3]);

```

For cases in which  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}'$  and we need only the scattering parts of the DGFs, there is a simpler interface:

```

-2-4pt-2-4pt      void RWGGeometry::GetDyadicGFs(double X[3], cdouble Omega,
                                                           double *kBloch,
                                                           HMatrix *M, HVector *KN,
                                                           cdouble GEScat[3][3],
                                                           cdouble GMScat[3][3]);

```

In this routine, the input parameters are as follows:

- `X[0..2]` are the Cartesian coordinates of the evaluation point
- `Omega` is the angular frequency in units of  $3 \times 10^{14}$  rad/sec
- `kBloch[0,1]` are the  $x$  and  $y$  components of the Bloch vector
- `M` is the LU-factorized BEM matrix—that is, the result of calling `AssembleBEMMatrix()` followed by `LUFactorize()`
- `KN` is a user-allocated RHS vector (allocated, for example, by saying `KN=G->AllocateRHSVector()` which is used internally as a workspace and needs only to be allocated, not initialized in any way

The output parameters are:

- `GEScat[i][j]`, `GMScat[i][j]` are the Cartesian components of the electric and magnetic scattering DGFs.

## A Fields of a phased array of point dipole radiators

To compute dyadic Green's functions in periodic geometries, SCUFF-LDOS solves a scattering problem in which the incident fields originate from a an infinite phased array of point sources. Here I describe the calculation of these infinite fields. This calculation is implemented by the `PointSource` class in the `LIBINCFIELD` module in SCUFF-EM.

### Fields of a single point dipole

First consider a single point electric dipole radiator (not an array) with dipole moment  $\mathbf{p}_0$  at a point  $\mathbf{x}_0$  in a medium with relative permittivity and permeability  $\epsilon^r, \mu^r$  (as usual suppressing time-dependence factors of  $e^{-i\omega t}$ ). The fields at  $\mathbf{x}$  due to this source are

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{E}^{\text{ED}}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{p}_0) &= \frac{|\mathbf{p}_0|}{\epsilon_0 \epsilon^r} \cdot \frac{e^{ikr}}{4\pi r^3} \cdot \left[ f_1(ikr) \hat{\mathbf{p}}_0 + f_2(ikr) (\hat{\mathbf{r}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{p}}_0) \hat{\mathbf{r}} \right] \\ \mathbf{H}^{\text{ED}}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{p}_0) &= \frac{1}{Z_0 Z^r} \cdot \frac{|\mathbf{p}_0|}{\epsilon_0 \epsilon^r} \cdot \frac{e^{ikr}}{4\pi r^3} \cdot \left[ f_3(ikr) (\hat{\mathbf{r}} \times \hat{\mathbf{p}}_0) \right] \\ \mathbf{r} &= |\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0|, \quad r = |\mathbf{r}|, \quad \hat{\mathbf{r}} = \frac{\mathbf{r}}{r},\end{aligned}$$

$$f_1(x) = -1 + x - x^2, \quad f_2(x) = 3 - 3x + x^2, \quad f_3(x) = x - x^2.$$

An alternative way to understand these fields is to think of the point dipole  $\mathbf{p}_0$  at  $\mathbf{x}_0$  as a localized volume current distribution,

$$\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}) = -i\omega \mathbf{p}_0 \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0) \quad (19)$$

in which case it is easy to compute the fields at  $\mathbf{x}$  by convolving with the usual (free-space) dyadic Green's functions relating currents to fields:

$$\begin{aligned}E_i(\mathbf{x}) &= \int \Gamma_{ij}^{\text{EE}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') J_j(\mathbf{x}') d\mathbf{x}' \\ &= -i\omega \Gamma_{ij}^{\text{EE}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_0) p_{0j} \\ &= (-i\omega)(ik Z_0 Z^r) G_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_0) p_{0j} \\ &= +k^2 \cdot \frac{|\mathbf{p}_0|}{\epsilon_0 \epsilon^r} \cdot G_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_0) \hat{p}_{0j} \quad (20a)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}H_i(\mathbf{x}) &= \int \Gamma_{ij}^{\text{ME}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') J_j(\mathbf{x}') d\mathbf{x}' \\ &= -i\omega \Gamma_{ij}^{\text{ME}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_0) p_{0j} \\ &= (-i\omega)(-ik) C_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_0) p_{0j} \\ &= -\frac{k^2}{Z_0 Z^r} \cdot \frac{|\mathbf{p}|}{\epsilon_0 \epsilon^r} \cdot C_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_0) \hat{p}_{0j} \quad (20b)\end{aligned}$$

where the  $\mathbf{G}$  and  $\mathbf{C}$  dyadics are related to the scalar Helmholtz Green's function according to

$$G_{ij}(\mathbf{r}) = \left[ \delta_{ij} + \frac{1}{k^2} \partial_i \partial_j \right] G_0(\mathbf{r}), \quad C_{ij}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{ik} \varepsilon_{ijk} \partial_k G_0(\mathbf{r}). \quad (21)$$

Note that the  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{H}$  fields due to an electric current distribution  $\mathbf{J}$  are

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) = ikZ_0 \int \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') \cdot \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}'), \quad \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}) = -ik \int \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') \cdot \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}'). \quad (22)$$

## Fields of a phased array of point dipoles, take 1

Now consider the fields of a phased array of electric dipoles of dipole moment  $\mathbf{p}_0$  located at  $\mathbf{x}_0$  in the lattice unit cell. A first way to get the fields of this array is to start with equations (20) and (21), but replace the non-periodic scalar Green's function  $G_0$  with its Bloch-periodic version,

$$G_0(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') \longrightarrow \overline{G}_0(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}'; \mathbf{k}_B) \equiv \sum_{\mathbf{L}} e^{i\mathbf{k}_B \cdot \mathbf{L}} G_0(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{L}).$$

Then the components of the fields of an electric dipole array, equation (5), read

$$E_i^{\text{EDA}}(\mathbf{x}) = k^2 \cdot \frac{|\mathbf{p}_0|}{\epsilon_0 \epsilon^r} \left[ \delta_{ij} + \frac{1}{k^2} \partial_i \partial_j \right] \overline{G}_0(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') \hat{p}_{0j}$$

$$H_i^{\text{EDA}}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{ik}{Z_0 Z^r} \cdot \frac{|\mathbf{p}_0|}{\epsilon_0 \epsilon^r} \cdot \epsilon_{ijk} \partial_k \overline{G}_0(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') \hat{p}_{0j}.$$

## Fields of a phased array of point dipoles, take 2

An alternative way to get the fields of a point array of dipoles, which is useful for the half-space calculation of the following section, is to start with the two-dimensional Fourier representation of the (non-periodic) homogeneous dyadic Green's functions. These follow from the two-dimensional Fourier representation of the non-periodic scalar Green's function:

$$G_0(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{e^{ik_0|\mathbf{r}|}}{4\pi|\mathbf{r}|} = \frac{i}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{d^2\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{e^{i(k_x x + k_y y + ik_z |z|)}}{k_z}, \quad k_z \equiv \sqrt{k_0^2 - k_x^2 - k_y^2}$$

Applying (21), we obtain the 2D Fourier expansion of the dyadic Green's functions:

$$\mathbf{G}(\boldsymbol{\rho}, z) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{d\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^2} \mathbf{g}(\boldsymbol{\rho}, z; \mathbf{k}), \quad \mathbf{C}(\boldsymbol{\rho}, z) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{d\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^2} \mathbf{c}(\boldsymbol{\rho}, z; \mathbf{k}), \quad (23)$$

$$\mathbf{g}(\boldsymbol{\rho}, z; \mathbf{k}) = \left( \frac{i}{2k_0 k_z} \right) \begin{pmatrix} k_0^2 - k_x^2 & -k_x k_y & \mp k_z k_x \\ -k_y k_x & k_0^2 - k_y^2 & \mp k_z k_y \\ \mp k_x k_z & \mp k_y k_z & k_0^2 - k_z^2 \end{pmatrix} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\rho}} e^{ik_z |z|} \quad (24a)$$

$$\mathbf{c}(\boldsymbol{\rho}, z; \mathbf{k}) = \left( \frac{i}{2k_0 k_z} \right) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \pm k_z & -k_y \\ \mp k_z & 0 & k_x \\ k_y & -k_x & 0 \end{pmatrix} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\rho}} e^{ik_z |z|} \quad (24b)$$

where the  $\pm$  sign is  $\text{sign}(z)$ . Now reinterpret the infinite integrals over the entire  $k_x, k_y$  plane in (23) as finite integrals over just the Brillouin zone;

$$\mathbf{G}(\boldsymbol{\rho}, z) = \int_0^{\Gamma_x} dk_x \int_0^{\Gamma_y} dk_y \frac{d\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^2} \bar{\mathbf{g}}(\boldsymbol{\rho}, z; \mathbf{k}), \quad \mathbf{C}(\boldsymbol{\rho}, z) = \int_0^{\Gamma_x} dk_x \int_0^{\Gamma_y} dk_y \frac{d\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^2} \bar{\mathbf{c}}(\boldsymbol{\rho}, z; \mathbf{k}), \quad (25)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\mathbf{g}}(\boldsymbol{\rho}, z; k_x, k_y) &= \sum_{n_x, n_y=-\infty}^{\infty} \mathbf{g}\left(\boldsymbol{\rho}, z; k_x + n_x \Gamma_x, k_y + n_y \Gamma_y\right), \\ \bar{\mathbf{c}}(\boldsymbol{\rho}, z; k_x, k_y) &= \sum_{n_x, n_y=-\infty}^{\infty} \mathbf{c}\left(\boldsymbol{\rho}, z; k_x + n_x \Gamma_x, k_y + n_y \Gamma_y\right). \end{aligned}$$

If I think of (25) as equations of the form (7), i.e. equations relating non-barred quantities to Brillouin-zone integrals over barred quantities, I can identify the Bloch-periodic versions of the dyadic Green's functions as

$$\bar{\mathbf{G}}(\boldsymbol{\rho}, z; \mathbf{k}^B) = \frac{\mathcal{V}^{\text{BZ}}}{(2\pi)^2} \bar{\mathbf{g}}(\boldsymbol{\rho}, z; \mathbf{k}^B), \quad \bar{\mathbf{C}}(\boldsymbol{\rho}, z; \mathbf{k}^B) = \frac{\mathcal{V}^{\text{BZ}}}{(2\pi)^2} \bar{\mathbf{c}}(\boldsymbol{\rho}, z; \mathbf{k}^B).$$

## B Analytical formulas for scattering part of DGFs above a homogeneous half space

For testing purposes it is very convenient to have analytical formulas for the DGFs above a half space with spatially homogeneous permittivity and permeability  $\epsilon, \mu$ .<sup>3</sup> These formulas are implemented in SCUFF-LDOS and may be accessed by adding the command-line option `--HalfSpace MyMaterial` (where `MyMaterial` is a SCUFF-EM material designation like `Gold` or `CONST_EPS_10+1I`).

### B.1 2D integrals over the entire $\mathbf{q}$ plane

The expressions in this section are actually not useful for practical computations (the integrals converge too slowly), but I quote them here as a springboard for the alternative expressions of the following subsections.

$$\mathcal{G}^E(\boldsymbol{\rho}, z; \boldsymbol{\rho}', z') = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \tilde{\mathcal{G}}^E(\mathbf{q}) d\mathbf{q} \quad (26a)$$

$$\mathcal{G}^M(\boldsymbol{\rho}, z; \boldsymbol{\rho}', z') = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \tilde{\mathcal{G}}^M(\mathbf{q}) d\mathbf{q} \quad (26b)$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{G}}^E(\mathbf{q}) = \frac{i}{8\pi^2 q_z} e^{i\mathbf{q} \cdot (\boldsymbol{\rho} - \boldsymbol{\rho}') - q_z(z+z')} \left\{ r_{\text{TE}} \mathbf{M}^{\text{TE}} + r_{\text{TM}} \mathbf{M}^{\text{TM}} \right\} \quad (27a)$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{G}}^M(\mathbf{q}) = \frac{i}{8\pi^2 q_z} e^{i\mathbf{q} \cdot (\boldsymbol{\rho} - \boldsymbol{\rho}') - q_z(z+z')} \left\{ r_{\text{TM}} \mathbf{M}^{\text{TE}} + r_{\text{TE}} \mathbf{M}^{\text{TM}} \right\} \quad (27b)$$

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<sup>3</sup>In compiling these formulas I referred to these references:

- H. Safari et al., “Van der Waals potentials of paramagnetic atoms,” *Phys. Rev. A* **78** 062901 (2008).
- S. Scheel et al., “Macroscopic Quantum Electrodynamics—Concepts and Applications,” *Acta Physica Slovaca* **58** 675 (2008).

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{M}^{\text{TE}} &\equiv \begin{pmatrix} -\hat{q}_y \\ \hat{q}_x \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -\hat{q}_y \\ \hat{q}_x \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}^T \\
&= \begin{pmatrix} \sin^2 \theta & -\cos \theta \sin \theta & 0 \\ -\cos \theta \sin \theta & \cos^2 \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\
\mathbf{M}^{\text{TM}} &\equiv \frac{1}{k_0^2} \begin{pmatrix} -q_z \hat{q}_x \\ -q_z \hat{q}_y \\ q \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -q_z \hat{q}_x \\ -q_z \hat{q}_y \\ q \end{pmatrix}^T \\
&= \frac{1}{k_0^2} \begin{pmatrix} q_z^2 \cos^2 \theta & q_z^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta & -qq_z \cos \theta \\ q_z^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta & q_z^2 \sin^2 \theta & -qq_z \sin \theta \\ -qq_z \cos \theta & -qq_z \sin \theta & q^2 \end{pmatrix} \\
q &\equiv |\mathbf{q}|, \quad q_z \equiv \sqrt{q^2 - k^2}, \quad q'_z \equiv \sqrt{q^2 - \epsilon \mu k^2}, \\
r_{\text{TE}} &\equiv \frac{\mu q_z - q'_z}{\mu q_z + q'_z}, \quad r_{\text{TM}} \equiv \frac{\epsilon q_z - q'_z}{\epsilon q_z + q'_z}.
\end{aligned}$$

## B.2 2D integrals over the Brillouin zone

For comparison with SCUFF-LDOS it is convenient to recast the infinite 2D integrals in (26) as integrals over a Brillouin zone:<sup>4</sup>

$$\mathcal{G}^E(\rho, z; \rho', z') = \int_{\text{BZ}} \hat{\mathcal{G}}^E(\mathbf{q}) d\mathbf{q} \quad (28a)$$

$$\mathcal{G}^M(\rho, z; \rho', z') = \int_{\text{BZ}} \hat{\mathcal{G}}^M(\mathbf{q}) d\mathbf{q} \quad (28b)$$

$$\hat{\mathcal{G}}^E(\mathbf{k}_B) = \sum_{\Gamma} \tilde{\mathcal{G}}^E(\mathbf{k}_B + \Gamma), \quad (29a)$$

$$\hat{\mathcal{G}}^M(\mathbf{k}_B) = \sum_{\Gamma} \tilde{\mathcal{G}}^M(\mathbf{k}_B + \Gamma) \quad (29b)$$

The quantities  $\hat{\mathcal{G}}(\mathbf{k}_B)$  may be directly compared to the Brillouin-zone integrand values reported by SCUFF-LDOS in the `.byOmegaBloch` output file.

<sup>4</sup>Since the geometry in question has continuous translational symmetry, this can be the Brillouin zone for *any* lattice we like. In SCUFF-LDOS the lattice is defined by the geometry in the `.scuffgeo` file. This is why the `--geometry` command-line option must be specified for `--HalfSpace` calculations, even though the discretized geometry is otherwise not referenced.

### B.3 1D integrals over $|\mathbf{q}|$

The Brillouin-zone-resolved integrand values of the previous section are useful for checking the predictions of SCUFF-LDOS for individual Brillouin-zone points. However, if our goal is actually to evaluate the full  $\mathbf{q}$  integrals to get the total DGFs at a given frequency, it is more efficient instead to write the  $\mathbf{q}$ -plane integrals (26) in polar coordinates and integrate out the angular variable, leaving a 1D integral over the radial variable. This is effected by using the following table of integrals:

$$\int_0^{2\pi} e^{i(qx \cos \theta + qy \sin \theta)} \begin{Bmatrix} 1 \\ \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \\ \cos^2 \theta \\ \cos \theta \sin \theta \\ \sin^2 \theta \end{Bmatrix} = 2\pi \begin{Bmatrix} J_0(q\rho) \\ iJ_1(q\rho)\hat{x} \\ iJ_1(q\rho)\hat{y} \\ \left[ J_0(q\rho) - \frac{2}{q\rho} J_1(q\rho) - J_2(q\rho) \right] \frac{\hat{x}^2}{2} + \frac{J_1(q\rho)}{q\rho} \\ \left[ J_0(q\rho) - \frac{2}{q\rho} J_1(q\rho) - J_2(q\rho) \right] \frac{\hat{x}\hat{y}}{2} \\ \left[ J_0(q\rho) - \frac{2}{q\rho} J_1(q\rho) - J_2(q\rho) \right] \frac{\hat{y}^2}{2} + \frac{J_1(q\rho)}{q\rho} \end{Bmatrix}$$

the 2D integrals (26) can be reduced to 1D integrals:

$$\mathcal{G}^E = \frac{i}{4\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{q dq}{q_z} e^{-q_z(z+z')} \left\{ r_{TE} \widetilde{\mathbf{M}}^{TE} + r_{TM} \widetilde{\mathbf{M}}^{TM} \right\} \quad (30)$$

$$\mathcal{G}^E = \frac{i}{4\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{q dq}{q_z} e^{-q_z(z+z')} \left\{ r_{TM} \widetilde{\mathbf{M}}^{TE} + r_{TE} \widetilde{\mathbf{M}}^{TM} \right\} \quad (31)$$

where  $\widetilde{\mathbf{M}}$  is the matrix  $\mathbf{M}$  defined above with all  $\theta$  factors replaced by the corresponding entry in the Bessel-function table above.

## C Rewriting infinite 2D $\mathbf{k}$ -integrals as Brillouin-zone integrals

One frequently encounters quantities expressed as infinite  $\mathbf{q}$ -space integrals, i.e. integrals over a two-dimensional wavevector  $\mathbf{q}$  that ranges over all of  $\mathbb{R}_2$ :

$$I = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} d^2\mathbf{q} Q(\mathbf{q}).$$

Examples include equations (26). To rewrite such integrals in a form that facilitates comparison with SCUFF-LDOS calculations, it is convenient to recast them as Brillouin-zone integrations:

$$I = \int_{\text{BZ}} d^2\mathbf{k}_\text{B} \bar{Q}(\mathbf{k}_\text{B}),$$

where  $\bar{Q}(\mathbf{k}_\text{B})$  is the sum of the integrand function  $Q(\mathbf{q})$  evaluated at  $\mathbf{k}_\text{B}$  and all images of  $\mathbf{k}_\text{B}$  under translation by reciprocal-lattice vectors:

$$\bar{Q}(\mathbf{k}_\text{B}) = \sum_{n_1=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{n_2=-\infty}^{\infty} Q(\mathbf{k}_\text{B} + n_1\mathbf{\Gamma}_1 + n_2\mathbf{\Gamma}_2)$$

where  $\mathbf{\Gamma}_1, \mathbf{\Gamma}_2$  are a basis for the reciprocal lattice. (We have here considered the 2D-periodic case, but the 1D-periodic case is similar).