Evaluation of four-dimensional integrals for matrix elements in SCUFF-EM

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1 BEM Matrix Elements

1.1 Edges, basis functions, and surface-current expansions

SCUFF-EM approximates the electric and magnetic surface currents \mathbf{K}, \mathbf{N} on each surface in a geometry as an expansion in a set of N_{BF} basis functions. In six-vector notation we have

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{K}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \mathbf{N}(\mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix} = \sum_{\alpha=1}^{N_{\mathrm{BF}}} c_{\alpha} \boldsymbol{\mathcal{B}}_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x})$$

$$\boldsymbol{\mathcal{B}}_{2a}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{b}_{a}(\mathbf{x}) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \qquad \boldsymbol{\mathcal{B}}_{2a+1}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \mathbf{b}_{a}(\mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{K}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \mathbf{N}(\mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix} = \sum_{a=1}^{N_{\mathrm{E}}} \begin{pmatrix} k_{a} \mathbf{b}_{a}(\mathbf{x}) \\ n_{a} \mathbf{b}_{a}(\mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix}$$

(The actual coefficients computed by SCUFF-EM are $\hat{n}_a \equiv -Z_0 n_a$.)

Here α runs over all basis functions in the SCUFF-EM calculation (of which there are $N_{\rm BF}$ in total), a runs over all internal edges on all surfaces (of which there are $N_{\rm E}$ in total), and $\mathbf{b}_a(\mathbf{x})$ is the RWG basis function associated with the ath interior edge.

1.2 BEM Matrix Elements

If two basis functions \mathcal{B}_{α} , \mathcal{B}_{β} lie on the same surface and this surface is a dielectric interface, then the (α, β) element of the BEM matrix receives contributions from both the media exterior and interior to the surface. Otherwise $(\mathcal{B}_{\alpha}, \mathcal{B}_{\beta})$ on the same PEC surface or on different surfaces) there is only a contribution from the exterior medium:

$$M_{\alpha\beta}(\omega) = \begin{cases} M_{\alpha\beta}^{\rm ext}(\omega) + M_{\alpha\beta}^{\rm int}(\omega), & \boldsymbol{\mathcal{B}}_{\alpha}, \boldsymbol{\mathcal{B}}_{\beta} & \text{on same (dielectric) surface} \\ M_{\alpha\beta}^{\rm ext}(\omega) & \boldsymbol{\mathcal{B}}_{\alpha}, \boldsymbol{\mathcal{B}}_{\beta} & \text{on same (PEC) surface or different surfaces} \end{cases}$$

Each pair of interior edges (E_a, E_b) contributes a 2×2 block of matrix elements to the BEM matrix for medium r:

$$M_{ab}^{r}(\omega) = i \frac{\omega}{c_0} \begin{pmatrix} \mu_r \mathbb{G}_{ab}(k_r) & -n_r \mathbb{C}_{ab}(k_r) \\ -n_r \mathbb{C}_{ab}(k_r) & -\epsilon_r \mathbb{G}_{ab}(k_r) \end{pmatrix}$$
(1)

Here c_0 is the vacuum speed of light, $\{\epsilon_r, \mu_r\}$ are the relative permittivity and permeability of medium r at frequency ω , and

$$n_r = \sqrt{\epsilon_r \mu_r}, \qquad k_r = n_r \frac{\omega}{c_0}.$$

¹More accurately, there is only a contribution from the medium common to the surfaces on which \mathcal{B}_{α} , \mathcal{B}_{β} lie. In the case of nested surfaces this will be the interior medium for one of the surfaces.

The \mathbb{G}, \mathbb{C} matrix elements and their k derivatives are

$$\mathbb{G}_{ab}(k) = \int \left(\mathbf{b}_a \cdot \mathbf{b}_b - \frac{\left[\nabla \cdot \mathbf{b}_a \right] \left[\nabla \cdot \mathbf{b}_b \right]}{k^2} \right) G_0(k, \mathbf{r}) d^4 \mathbf{r}$$
 (2a)

$$\mathbb{C}_{ab}(k) = \frac{1}{ik} \int (\mathbf{b}_a \times \mathbf{b}_b) \cdot \nabla G_0(k, \mathbf{r}) d^4 \mathbf{r}$$
 (2b)

In these equations, I have

$$G_0(k, \mathbf{r}) = \begin{cases} \frac{e^{ikr}}{4\pi r}, & \text{non-periodic} \\ \sum_{\mathbf{L}} e^{i\mathbf{k}_{\mathrm{B}} \cdot \mathbf{L}} \frac{e^{ik|\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{L}|}}{4\pi |\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{L}|} & \text{Bloch-periodic with Bloch vector } \mathbf{k}_{\mathrm{B}} \end{cases}$$
(3)

Alternative notation

Equations (1) and (2) are the way I have always defined things in SCUFF-EM; among their advantages is the fact that \mathbb{C} has the same units as \mathbb{G} (namely, inverse length). However, for present purposes it is actually convenient to write (1) in the slightly different form

$$M_{ab}^{r}(\omega) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{i\omega\mu_{r}}{c} \mathbb{G}_{ab}(k_{r}) & -\widehat{\mathbb{C}}_{ab}(k_{r}) \\ -\widehat{\mathbb{C}}_{ab}(k_{r}) & -\frac{i\omega\epsilon_{r}}{c} \mathbb{G}_{ab}(k_{r}) \end{pmatrix}$$
(4)

where

$$\widehat{\mathbb{C}}(k) \equiv ik\mathbb{C}(k), \qquad \widehat{\mathbb{C}}_{ab} = \int (\mathbf{b}_a \times \mathbf{b}_b) \cdot \nabla G_0(k, \mathbf{r}) \, d^4 \mathbf{r}. \tag{5}$$

2 Force and torque integrals

2.1 Force

$$F_{i} = \frac{1}{2\omega} \operatorname{Im} \int \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{K}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \mathbf{N}(\mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix}^{\dagger} \begin{pmatrix} \partial_{i}\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \partial_{i}\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix} d\mathbf{x}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\omega} \operatorname{Im} \int \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{K}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \mathbf{N}(\mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix}^{\dagger} \begin{pmatrix} i\omega\mu_{r}\partial_{i}\mathbb{G}(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{x}') & \partial_{i}\widehat{\mathbb{C}}(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{x}') \\ -\partial_{i}\widehat{\mathbb{C}}(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{x}') & i\omega\epsilon_{r}\partial_{i}\mathbb{G}(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{x}') \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{K}(\mathbf{x}') \\ \mathbf{N}(\mathbf{x}') \end{pmatrix} d\mathbf{x} d\mathbf{x}'$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\omega} \operatorname{Im} \sum_{ab} \begin{pmatrix} k_{a} \\ n_{a} \end{pmatrix}^{\dagger} \begin{pmatrix} i\omega\mu_{r}\partial_{i}\mathbb{G}_{ab} & \partial_{i}\widehat{\mathbb{C}}_{ab} \\ -\partial_{i}\widehat{\mathbb{C}}_{ab} & i\omega\epsilon_{r}\partial_{i}\mathbb{G}_{ab} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} k_{b} \\ n_{b} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= -\sum_{b>a} \left\{ \frac{Z_{0}}{c} \left[\operatorname{Im} \left(k_{a}^{*}k_{b} \right) \right] \left[\operatorname{Im} \left(\mu_{r}\partial_{i}\mathbb{G}_{ab} \right) \right] + \frac{1}{cZ_{0}} \left[\operatorname{Im} \left(n_{a}^{*}n_{b} \right) \right] \left[\operatorname{Im} \left(\epsilon_{r}\partial_{i}\mathbb{G}_{ab} \right) \right] + \frac{1}{\omega} \left[\operatorname{Re} \left(k_{a}^{*}n_{b} - n_{a}^{*}k_{b} \right) \right] \left[\operatorname{Im} \left(\partial_{i}\widehat{\mathbb{C}}_{ab} \right) \right] \right\}$$

2.2 Torque

$$\mathcal{T}_{i} = \mathcal{T}_{i}^{(1)} + \mathcal{T}_{i}^{(2)} \\
\mathcal{T}_{i}^{(1)} = \frac{1}{2\omega} \operatorname{Im} \int \left(\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{K}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \mathbf{N}(\mathbf{x}) \end{array} \right)^{\dagger} \left(\begin{array}{c} \partial_{\theta_{i}} \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \partial_{\theta_{i}} \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}) \end{array} \right) d\mathbf{x} \\
= -\sum_{b>a} \left\{ \frac{Z_{0}}{c} \left[\operatorname{Im} \left(k_{a}^{*} k_{b} \right) \right] \left[\operatorname{Im} \left(\mu_{r} \partial_{\theta_{i}} \mathbb{G}_{ab} \right) \right] + \frac{1}{cZ_{0}} \left[\operatorname{Im} \left(n_{a}^{*} n_{b} \right) \right] \left[\operatorname{Im} \left(\epsilon_{r} \partial_{\theta_{i}} \mathbb{G}_{ab} \right) \right] \right\} \\
- \frac{1}{\omega} \left[\operatorname{Re} \left(k_{a}^{*} n_{b} - n_{a}^{*} k_{b} \right) \right] \left[\operatorname{Im} \left(\partial_{\theta_{i}} \mathbb{C}_{ab} \right) \right] \right\} \\
\mathcal{T}_{i}^{(2)} = \frac{1}{2\omega} \operatorname{Im} \int \left\{ \mathbf{K}^{*} \times \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{N}^{*} \times \mathbf{H} \right\}_{i} d\mathbf{x} \\
= \frac{1}{2\omega} \varepsilon_{ijk} \operatorname{Im} \int \int \left\{ K_{j}^{*} \left[i\omega \mu_{r} \mathbb{G}_{k\ell} \right] K_{\ell} + K_{j}^{*} \left[\mathbb{C}_{k\ell} \right] N_{\ell} \right. \\
\left. - N_{j}^{*} \left[\mathbb{C}_{k\ell} \right] K_{\ell} + N_{j}^{*} \left[i\omega \epsilon_{r} \mathbb{G}_{k\ell} \right] N_{\ell} \right\} d^{4}\mathbf{x} \\
= -\sum_{b>a} \left\{ \frac{Z_{0}}{c} \left[\operatorname{Im} \left(k_{a}^{*} k_{b} \right) \right] \left[\operatorname{Im} \left(\mu_{r} \widetilde{\mathbb{G}}_{i;ab} \right) \right] + \frac{1}{cZ_{0}} \left[\operatorname{Im} \left(n_{a}^{*} n_{b} \right) \right] \left[\operatorname{Im} \left(\epsilon_{r} \widetilde{\mathbb{G}}_{i;ab} \right) \right] \\
- \frac{1}{2\omega} \left[\operatorname{Re} \left(k_{a}^{*} n_{b} - n_{a}^{*} k_{b} \right) \right] \left[\operatorname{Im} \left(\widetilde{\mathbb{C}}_{i;ab} \right) \right] \right\}$$

$$\widetilde{\mathbb{G}}_{i;ab} \equiv \varepsilon_{ijk} \iint b_{aj} \mathbb{G}_{k\ell} b_{b\ell} d\mathbf{r}, \qquad \widetilde{\mathbb{C}}_{i;ab} \equiv \varepsilon_{ijk} \iint b_{aj} \widehat{\mathbb{C}}_{k\ell} b_{b\ell} d\mathbf{r}$$

3 Frequency derivatives

The ω derivative of (4) reads

$$\frac{d}{d\omega}M_{ab}^{r} = \frac{i}{c} \begin{pmatrix} (\omega \mu_{r})' \mathbb{G}_{ab}(k_{r}) & 0 \\ 0 & (\omega \epsilon_{r})' \mathbb{G}_{ab}(k_{r}) \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \frac{i\omega \mu_{r}}{c} \mathbb{G}'_{ab}(k_{r}) & -\widehat{\mathbb{C}}'_{ab}(k_{r}) \\ -\widehat{\mathbb{C}}'_{ab}(k_{r}) & -\frac{i\omega \epsilon_{r}}{c} \mathbb{G}_{ab}(k_{r}) \end{pmatrix}$$

where

$$(\omega \mu_r)' = \mu_r + \omega \frac{d\mu_r}{d\omega}, \qquad (\omega \epsilon_r)' = \epsilon_r + \omega \frac{d\epsilon_r}{d\omega},$$

and primes on $\mathbb G$ and $\widehat{\mathbb C}$ denote differentiation with respect to k.

The k derivatives of the $\mathbb{G}, \widehat{\mathbb{C}}$ matrix elements are

$$\mathbb{G}'_{ab}(k) = \frac{2}{k^3} \int \left[\nabla \cdot \mathbf{b}_a \right] \left[\nabla \cdot \mathbf{b}_b \right] G_0(k, \mathbf{r}) d^4 \mathbf{r}$$
 (6a)

$$+ \int \left(\mathbf{b}_a \cdot \mathbf{b}_b - \frac{\left[\nabla \cdot \mathbf{b}_a \right] \left[\nabla \cdot \mathbf{b}_b \right]}{k^2} \right) G_0'(k, \mathbf{r}) d^4 \mathbf{r}$$
 (6b)

$$\mathbb{C}'_{ab}(k) = \int (\mathbf{b}_a \times \mathbf{b}_b) \cdot \nabla G'_0(k, \mathbf{r}) d^4 \mathbf{r}$$
(6c)

In both the periodic and non-periodic cases, k derivatives of G_0 may be related to spatial derivatives according to

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial k}G_0 = -i|\mathbf{r}|^2 \left(\frac{\mathbf{r} \cdot \nabla G_0}{|\mathbf{r}|} - ikG_0\right) \tag{7}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial k} \nabla G_0 = -k \mathbf{r} G_0 \tag{8}$$

Importantly, the kernels defined by (8) are both nonsingular at $\mathbf{r} = 0$, allowing the use of simple numerical cubature to evaluate matrix elements.

4 Computation of matrix elements

4.1 BEM matrix elements

$$\mathbb{G}_{ab} = \iint \left(\mathbf{b}_a \cdot \mathbf{b}_b - \frac{4}{k^2} \right) G_0(r) d^4 \mathbf{r}$$

$$= \mathbb{C}_{ab} \qquad \qquad = \frac{1}{ik} \varepsilon_{ijk} \iint b_{ai} b_{bj} \partial_k G_0(r) d^4 \mathbf{r} \qquad (10)$$

4.2 Force integrals

$$\partial_i \mathbb{G}_{ab} = \iint \underbrace{\left(\mathbf{b}_a \cdot \mathbf{b}_b - \frac{4}{k^2}\right)}_{P^{\text{EFIE}}} \partial_i G_0(r) \, d^4 \mathbf{r} \tag{11}$$

$$= \sum_{p} \overline{\psi}_{p} \iint P^{\text{EFIE}} r_{i} r^{p} d\mathbf{r} + \iint P^{\text{EFIE}} r_{i} \psi^{\text{DS}}(r) d^{4}\mathbf{r}$$
 (12)

Im
$$\partial_i \widehat{\mathbb{C}}_{ab} = \varepsilon_{jk\ell} \iint b_{aj} b_{bk} \left[\text{Im } \partial_i \partial_\ell G_0(r) \right] d\mathbf{r}$$
 (13)

4.3 Torque integrals

$$\partial_{\theta_i} \mathbb{G}_{ab} = \varepsilon_{ijk} \iint \left(\mathbf{b}_a \cdot \mathbf{b}_b - \frac{4}{k^2} \right) (\mathbf{x}_a - \mathbf{x}_0)_j \partial_k G_0(r) \, d^4 \mathbf{r}$$
 (14)

$$\partial_{\theta_i} \mathbb{C}_{ab} = \frac{1}{ik} \varepsilon_{ijk} \varepsilon_{jk\ell} \iint b_{aj} b_{bk} (\mathbf{x}_a - \mathbf{x}_0)_j \partial_i \partial_\ell G_0(r) d^4 \mathbf{r}$$
 (15)

$$\widetilde{\mathbb{G}}_{i;ab} \equiv \varepsilon_{ijk} \int b_{aj}(\mathbf{x}) \underbrace{\mathbb{G}_{k\ell}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}')}_{\left(\delta_{k\ell} + \frac{1}{k^2} \partial_k \partial_\ell\right) G_0} b_{b\ell}(\mathbf{x}') \, d\mathbf{x} \, d\mathbf{x}'$$

$$= \int \left\{ \left(\mathbf{b}_a \times \mathbf{b}_b \right)_i \left(G_0 + \frac{1}{k^2} \psi \right) + \left[\left(\mathbf{b}_a \times \mathbf{r} \right)_i \left(\mathbf{b}_b \cdot \mathbf{r} \right) \right] \zeta(r) \right\} \, d\mathbf{x} \, d\mathbf{x}'$$

$$\widetilde{\mathbb{C}}_{i;ab} \equiv \varepsilon_{ijk} \int b_{aj}(\mathbf{x}) \underbrace{\widehat{\mathbb{C}}_{k\ell}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}')}_{\epsilon_{k\ell m} r_m \psi(r)} b_{b\ell}(\mathbf{x}') \, d\mathbf{x} \, d\mathbf{x}'$$

$$= \int \left\{ \left(\mathbf{b}_a \cdot \mathbf{r} \right) b_{bi} - \left(\mathbf{b}_a \cdot \mathbf{b}_b \right) r_i \right\} \psi(r) \, d\mathbf{x} \, d\mathbf{x}'$$

$$\partial_i G_0(r) = r_i \psi(r)$$

$$\partial_i \partial_j G_0(r) = \delta_{ij} \psi(r) + r_i r_j \zeta(r)$$
$$\psi(r) = (ikr - 1) \frac{e^{ikr}}{4\pi r^3}$$
$$\zeta(r) = \left[(ikr)^2 - 3ikr + 3 \right] \frac{e^{ikr}}{4\pi r^5}$$

A Scalar and dyadic Green's functions and their most singular terms

A.1 Scalar GF

$$G_0(r) = \frac{e^{ikr}}{4\pi r}$$

$$\partial_i G_0(r) = r_i \psi(r), \qquad \psi(r) \equiv (ikr - 1) \frac{e^{ikr}}{4\pi r^3}$$

$$\partial_i \partial_j G_0(r) = \delta_{ij} \psi(r) + r_i r_j \zeta(r), \qquad \zeta(r) \equiv \frac{e^{ikr}}{4\pi r^5} \Big[3 - 3ikr + (ikr)^2 \Big]$$

A.2 Desingularized scalar GF

$$\begin{split} G_0(r) &= \frac{1}{4\pi r} + \frac{\texttt{ExpRel}(ikr,1)}{4\pi r} \\ \partial_i G_0(r) &= r_i \psi^{\text{\tiny S}}(r) + r_i \psi^{\text{\tiny DS}}(r), \\ \psi^{\text{\tiny DS}}(r) &= \frac{\texttt{ExpRel}(ikr,3)}{4\pi r^3} \\ \psi^{\text{\tiny S}}(r) &= \sum_{r} C_r r^p, \qquad C_{-3} = -\frac{1}{4\pi}, \qquad C_{-1} = -\frac{k^2}{8\pi}, \qquad C_0 = -\frac{ik^3}{8\pi} \end{split}$$

Im $\partial_i \partial_j G_0(r) = \text{nonsingular}$

A.3 Dyadic GFs

$$\mathbb{G}_{ij}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{e^{ikr}}{4\pi(ik)^2 r^3} \left[F_1(ikr)\delta_{ij} + F_2(ikr) \frac{r_i r_j}{r^2} \right], \qquad C_{ij}(k, \mathbf{r}) = \frac{e^{ikr}}{4\pi(ik)r^3} \varepsilon_{ijk} r_k F_3(ikr),$$

$$F_1(x) = 1 - x + x^2, \qquad F_2(x) = -3 + 3x - x^2, \qquad F_3(x) = -1 + x.$$
(16)

Desingularized DGFs

$$\mathbb{G}_{ij}(\mathbf{r}) = \mathbb{G}_{ij}^{\scriptscriptstyle{\mathrm{S}}}(\mathbf{r}) + \mathbb{G}_{ij}^{\scriptscriptstyle{\mathrm{DS}}}(\mathbf{r})$$

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{G}^{^{\mathrm{DS}}}_{ij}(\mathbf{r}) &= \frac{\mathrm{ExpRel}(ikr,3)}{4\pi(ik)^2r^3} \left[F_1(ikr)\delta_{ij} + F_2(ikr)\frac{r_ir_j}{r^2} \right], \qquad \mathbb{C}^{^{\mathrm{DS}}}_{ij}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{\mathrm{ExpRel}(ikr,3)}{4\pi(ik)r^3}\varepsilon_{ijk}r_k \\ \mathbb{G}^{^{\mathrm{S}}}_{ij}(\mathbf{r}) &= \left[\sum_{p} \Upsilon^1_p r^p \right] \delta_{ij} + \left[\sum_{p} \Upsilon^2_p r^p \right] \frac{r_ir_j}{r^2} \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{C}^{\mathrm{s}}_{ij}(\mathbf{r}) &= \Big[\sum_{p} \Upsilon^3_p r^p \Big] \varepsilon_{ijk} r_k \\ \Upsilon^1_{-3} &= -\frac{1}{4\pi k^2}, \qquad \Upsilon^1_{-1} = +\frac{1}{8\pi}, \qquad \Upsilon^1_0 = +\frac{ik}{8\pi}, \qquad \Upsilon^1_1 = -\frac{k^2}{8\pi}, \\ \Upsilon^2_{-3} &= +\frac{3}{4\pi k^2}, \qquad \Upsilon^2_{-1} = +\frac{1}{8\pi}, \qquad \Upsilon^2_0 = +\frac{ik}{8\pi}, \qquad \Upsilon^2_1 = +\frac{k^2}{8\pi}, \\ \Upsilon^3_{-3} &= +\frac{i}{4\pi k}, \qquad \Upsilon^3_{-1} = +\frac{ik}{8\pi}, \qquad \Upsilon^3_0 = -\frac{k^2}{8\pi}, \qquad \Upsilon^3_1 = 0. \end{split}$$