

1 Problem 1.a

From the exercise we know that the dyadic Green's function is given by

$$\overleftrightarrow{G}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') = \left[\mathbb{1} + \frac{1}{k^2} \nabla \nabla \right], G_0(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}')$$

where the scalar Green's function $G_0(r, r')$ is given by

$$G_0(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') = \frac{e^{ik|\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}'|}}{4\pi|\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}'|}.$$

Let's define

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial y} := \partial_{xy},$$

to write the components of the dyadic Green's function as

$$\overleftrightarrow{G}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') = \begin{pmatrix} k^2 + \partial_{xx} & \partial_{xy} & \partial_{xz} \\ \partial_{yx} & k^2 + \partial_{yy} & \partial_{yz} \\ \partial_{zx} & \partial_{zy} & k^2 + \partial_{zz} \end{pmatrix} \frac{e^{ik|\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}'|}}{4\pi k^2 |\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}'|}.$$

Because $G_0(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}')$ only depends on $|\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}'|$, we define $R = |\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}'|$, $\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}'$, and $\hat{\mathbf{R}} = \frac{\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}'}{|\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}'|}$. Hence, we obtain,

$$\nabla G_0(R) = \frac{d}{dR} (G_0(R)) \nabla R = \left(ik - \frac{1}{R} \right) G_0(R) \nabla R,$$

and with

$$\nabla R = \frac{x-x' + y-y' + z-z'}{\sqrt{(x-x')^2 + (y-y')^2 + (z-z')^2}} = \frac{\mathbf{R}}{R} = \hat{\mathbf{R}},$$

it follows

$$\nabla G_0(R) = \left(ik - \frac{1}{R} \right) G_0(R) \hat{\mathbf{R}}.$$

Now we want to compute

$$\nabla \nabla G_0(R) = \nabla \left(ik - \frac{1}{R} \right) G_0(R) \hat{\mathbf{R}} + \left(ik - \frac{1}{R} \right) \nabla G_0(R) \hat{\mathbf{R}} + \left(ik - \frac{1}{R} \right) G_0(R) \nabla \hat{\mathbf{R}}.$$

At first, we consider the first term in the right-hand side of the equation,

$$\nabla \left(ik - \frac{1}{R} \right) = -\nabla \frac{1}{R} = -\frac{d}{dR} \left(\frac{1}{R} \right) \nabla R = \frac{\hat{\mathbf{R}}}{R^2}.$$

Now, we calculate $\nabla \hat{\mathbf{R}}$,

$$\nabla \hat{\mathbf{R}} = \nabla \left(\frac{\mathbf{R}}{R} \right) = \frac{\nabla \mathbf{R}}{R} + \mathbf{R} \nabla \frac{1}{R},$$

in which we can easily see that $\nabla \mathbf{R} = \mathbb{1}$ and $\nabla \frac{1}{R} = -\frac{\hat{\mathbf{R}}}{R^2}$. As a result,

$$\nabla \hat{\mathbf{R}} = (\mathbb{1} - \hat{\mathbf{R}}\hat{\mathbf{R}}) \frac{1}{R}.$$

Now we just substitute all these parts in the first $\overset{\leftrightarrow}{G}(r, r')$ equation.

$$\begin{aligned} \overset{\leftrightarrow}{G}(R) &= \mathbb{1}G_0(R) + \frac{1}{k^2 R^2} \hat{\mathbf{R}}\hat{\mathbf{R}}G_0(R) + \frac{1}{k^2} \left(ik - \frac{1}{R} \right)^2 \hat{\mathbf{R}}\hat{\mathbf{R}}G_0 + \frac{1}{k^2} \left(ik - \frac{1}{R} \right) \frac{1}{R} (\mathbb{1} - \hat{\mathbf{R}}\hat{\mathbf{R}})G_0(R) \\ &= \left[\mathbb{1} + \frac{3}{k^2 R^2} \hat{\mathbf{R}}\hat{\mathbf{R}} - \hat{\mathbf{R}}\hat{\mathbf{R}} - \frac{3i}{kR} \hat{\mathbf{R}}\hat{\mathbf{R}} - \frac{1}{k^2 R^2} \mathbb{1} + \frac{i}{kR} \mathbb{1} \right] G_0(R). \end{aligned}$$

Finally we have

$$\overset{\leftrightarrow}{G}(R) = \left[(\mathbb{1} - \hat{\mathbf{R}}\hat{\mathbf{R}}) + \frac{i}{kR} (\mathbb{1} - 3\hat{\mathbf{R}}\hat{\mathbf{R}}) - \frac{1}{k^2 R^2} (\mathbb{1} - 3\hat{\mathbf{R}}\hat{\mathbf{R}}) \right] G_0(R).$$

The first term in the bracket $(\mathbb{1} - \hat{\mathbf{R}}\hat{\mathbf{R}})$ determines the far field and the rest expresses the near field.

2 Problem 1.b

The Fourier spectrum of the electric field, as it evolves along the z -axis, can be written as

$$E(k_x, k_y, z) = E(k_x, k_y, 0) e^{\pm ik_z z},$$

where the inverse Fourier transform is given by

$$E(x, y, z) = \iint dk_x dk_y E(k_x, k_y, z) e^{ik_x x} e^{ik_y y}.$$

We have to derive an equation by considering the evolution of the Fourier component by inserting the inverse Fourier transform in the vector Helmholtz equation given below,

$$(\nabla^2 + k^2)E(x, y, z) = 0,$$

where, $\nabla^2 = (\partial_x^2 + \partial_y^2 + \partial_z^2)$.

Since the inverse Fourier transform is a linear expression, we can exchange the integration with the derivative. Therefore, we have the Helmholtz equation written on the Fourier components of the electric field,

$$\iint dk_x dk_y (\nabla^2 + k^2)E(k_x, k_y, z) e^{i(k_x x + k_y y)} = 0.$$

Then we have,

$$\iint dk_x dk_y k_z^2 E(k_x, k_y, z) e^{i(k_x x + k_y y)} + \partial_z^2 E(k_x, k_y, z) e^{i(k_x x + k_y y)} = 0,$$

where $k_z^2 = (-k_x^2 - k_y^2 + k^2)$. Hence, the condition becomes, $[\partial_z^2 + k_z^2]E(k_x, k_y, z) = 0$. This is a 1D equation, with solution

$$E(k_x, k_y, z) = E(k_x, k_y, 0) e^{\pm ik_z z}.$$

3 Problem 2

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{A}(x, y, z - z_0) &= \frac{-ikZ_{\mu\epsilon}}{4\pi} \frac{e^{ik\sqrt{x^2+y^2+(z-z_0)^2}}}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2+(z-z_0)^2}} \mathbf{n}_x \\ &= \frac{-ikZ_{\mu\epsilon}}{4\pi} \frac{i}{2\pi} \mathbf{n}_x \iint_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{ik_x x + ik_y y + ik_z |z-z_0|}}{k_z} dk_x dk_y.\end{aligned}$$

For the field we have

$$\mathbf{E}(x, y, z - z_0) = i\omega \left(1 + \frac{1}{k^2} \nabla \nabla \cdot \right) \mathbf{A}(x, y, z - z_0).$$

As we already know,

$$\nabla = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right), \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{n}_x = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$$

Now, with the substitution of $\mathbf{A}(x, y, z - z_0)$ in the field equation, one obtains

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{E} &= \frac{i\omega Z_{\mu\epsilon}}{8\pi^2} \left[(\mathbf{1}) \cdot \mathbf{n}_x \iint_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{ik_x x + ik_y y + ik_z |z-z_0|}}{k_z} dk_x dk_y + \frac{1}{k^2} \nabla \iint_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{ik_x}{k_z} e^{ik_x x + ik_y y + ik_z |z-z_0|} dk_x dk_y \right] \\ &= \frac{i\omega Z_{\mu\epsilon}}{8\pi^2} \left[\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \iint_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{ik_x x + ik_y y + ik_z |z-z_0|}}{k_z} dk_x dk_y + \frac{1}{k^2} \iint_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{ik_x}{k_z} \begin{pmatrix} ik_x \\ ik_y \\ ik_z \operatorname{sgn}(z - z_0) \end{pmatrix} e^{ik_x x + ik_y y + ik_z |z-z_0|} dk_x dk_y \right]\end{aligned}$$

As we defined before the angular spectrum representation of the electric field,

$$\mathbf{E}(x, y, z) = \iint_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{\mathbf{E}}(k_x, k_y, z) e^{i(k_x x + k_y y)} dk_x dk_y,$$

a comparison of these two equations gives us

$$\hat{\mathbf{E}}(k_x, k_y, 0) = \frac{i\omega Z_{\mu\epsilon}}{8\pi^2} \frac{e^{ik_z |z-z_0|}}{k_z} \begin{pmatrix} 1 - k_x^2/k^2 \\ -k_x k_y/k^2 \\ -(k_x k_z/k^2) \operatorname{sgn}(z - z_0) \end{pmatrix}.$$

For $z \rightarrow +\infty$ the evanescent waves will disappear, which means that only the Fourier terms with $k^2 \geq k_x^2 + k_y^2$ must be considered, hence

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow +\infty} \hat{\mathbf{E}}(k_x, k_y, 0) = \frac{i\omega Z_{\mu\epsilon}}{8\pi^2} \frac{e^{ik_z z}}{k_z} \begin{pmatrix} 1 - k_x^2/k^2 \\ -k_x k_y/k^2 \\ -(k_x k_z/k^2) \end{pmatrix},$$

and for the electric field we have

$$\mathbf{E}(x, y, z) = \frac{i\omega Z_{\mu\epsilon}}{8\pi^2} \iint_{k^2 \geq k_x^2 + k_y^2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 - k_x^2/k^2 \\ -k_x k_y/k^2 \\ -(k_x k_z/k^2) \end{pmatrix} \frac{e^{ik_x x + ik_y y + ik_z z}}{k_z} dk_x dk_y.$$

Now we change the coordinate system,

$$\begin{aligned}k_x &= k \sin \theta \cos \phi, \\k_y &= k \sin \theta \sin \phi, \\k_z &= k \cos \theta, \\dk_x dk_y &= k^2 \sin \theta d\theta d\phi.\end{aligned}$$

and rewrite the equations as

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow +\infty} \hat{\mathbf{E}}(k_x, k_y, 0) = \frac{i\omega Z_{\mu\epsilon}}{8\pi^2} \frac{e^{ik \cos \theta (z-z_0)}}{k \cos \theta} \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \phi \\ -\sin^2 \theta \cos \phi \sin \phi \\ -\sin \theta \cos \theta \cos \phi \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\mathbf{E}(x, y, z) = \frac{i\omega Z_{\mu\epsilon}}{8\pi^2 k} \iint_{k^2 \geq k_x^2 + k_y^2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \phi \\ -\sin^2 \theta \cos \phi \sin \phi \\ -\sin \theta \cos \theta \cos \phi \end{pmatrix} \frac{e^{ik[\sin \theta \cos \phi x + \sin \theta \sin \phi y + \cos \theta (z-z_0)]}}{\cos \theta} \sin \theta d\theta d\phi.$$

For simplicity, we consider the case, $x = y = 0$,

$$\mathbf{E}(0, 0, z) = \frac{i\omega Z_{\mu\epsilon}}{8\pi^2 k} \iint_{k^2 \geq k_x^2 + k_y^2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \phi \\ -\sin^2 \theta \cos \phi \sin \phi \\ -\sin \theta \cos \theta \cos \phi \end{pmatrix} \frac{e^{ik \cos \theta (z-z_0)}}{\cos \theta} \sin \theta d\theta d\phi$$

We know that

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^{2\pi} \cos \phi d\phi &= 0, \\ \int_0^{2\pi} \cos \phi \sin \phi d\phi &= 0, \\ \int_0^{2\pi} \cos^2 \phi d\phi &= \int_0^{2\pi} (1 - \sin^2 \phi) d\phi = \pi.\end{aligned}$$

Then only the x -component of the electric field is not zero, which reads

$$\begin{aligned}E_x(0, 0, z) &= \frac{i\omega Z_{\mu\epsilon}}{8\pi^2 k} \int_0^\pi \pi(2 - \sin^2 \theta) \frac{e^{ik(z-z_0) \cos \theta}}{\cos \theta} \sin \theta d\theta, \\ E_x(0, 0, z) &= \frac{i\omega Z_{\mu\epsilon}}{8\pi k} \int_0^\pi \frac{(1 + \cos^2 \theta)}{\cos \theta} e^{ik(z-z_0) \cos \theta} \sin \theta d\theta, \\ E_x(0, 0, z) &= \frac{i\omega Z_{\mu\epsilon}}{8\pi k} \int_{-1}^1 \frac{1+x^2}{x} e^{ik(z-z_0)x} dx.\end{aligned}$$