

Session 7

Exercise 1: MATLAB exercise: Scalar Beam Propagation Method

Use the Scalar Beam Propagation Method (BPM) to simulate the following scenarios. An electric field with amplitude $E_0 = 1 \text{ V/m}$, a wavelength $\lambda = 1.3 \mu\text{m}$ in an aperture $A = 8\lambda$ over a distance $z = 8\lambda$.

- The electric field is part of a plane wave which propagates through vacuum at 0 degrees and 5 degrees. Plot the spatial field distribution (real part of $E(x, z)$), the spectrum of the incident field as well as the x- and z-part of the propagation constant over the angle of propagation. What are the spatial frequencies f_0 and f_5 ?
- The electric field is part of a Gaussian beam with a waist of $W_0 = A/8$, propagating through vacuum at vertical incidence. Plot the spatial field distribution (real part of $E(x, z)$) and the spectrum of the incident field. What are the spatial frequencies f_0 and f_5 ?
- The Gaussian Beam in b), which propagates through a waveguide with a diameter of 2λ and an index contrast $n_{core}/n_{clad} = 1.5$. Plot the waveguide, the absolute of the propagating electric field and its contour.
- A plane wave with unit amplitude propagates through a lens with a focal length $R_l = 10\lambda$ and $R_r = -5\lambda$. Plot the absolute of the electric field and verify the focal distance with the Lensmaker's equation.
- A plane wave with unit amplitude and wavelength $\lambda = 1.5 \text{ nm}$ propagates through a single slit with diameter $d = 2\lambda$ and a refractive index $n = 1.5 + i2$ (high absorbing!). Verify the position of the diffraction maxima and minima with the results from theory.

Hints:

Get the algorithm for the BPM from the course material. Write the program for a two-dimensional scene (xz-plane) only.

Use the function `fft2()` and `ifft2()` to perform the forward and inverse Fourier transformation. The spatial frequencies of `fft2()` are sorted `index_fx = [0:nx/2-1 -nx/2:-1]`. A reasonable space index is `index_x = -nx/2:nx/2-1`. Express the aperture, sampling rate f_s and the propagation distance per layer dz in terms of the wavelength `lambda = 1.3e-6`, `ax=8*lambda`, `az = 8*lambda`, `dz = lambda/10` and `fs = 8/lambda`.

Exercise 2: Matlab exercise: Scalar Wave Propagation Method

Use the Scalar Wave Propagation Method (WPM) to simulate the following scenarios. An electric field with amplitude $E_0 = 1 \text{ V/m}$, a wavelength $\lambda =$

$1.3\mu\text{m}$ in an aperture $A = 8\lambda$ over a distance $z = 8\lambda$.

- a) The electric field is part of a plane wave which propagates through vacuum at 0 degrees and 5 degrees. Plot the spatial field distribution (real part of $E(x, z)$), the spectrum of the incident field as well as the x- and z-part of the propagation constant over the angle of propagation. What are the spatial frequencies f_0 and f_5 ?
- b) The electric field is part of a Gaussian beam with a waist of $W_0 = A/8$, propagating through vacuum at vertical incidence. Plot the spatial field distribution (real part of $E(x, z)$) and the spectrum of the incident field. What are the spatial frequencies f_0 and f_5 ?
- c) The Gaussian Beam in b), which propagates through a waveguide with a diameter of 2λ and an index contrast $n_{\text{core}}/n_{\text{clad}} = 1.5$. Plot the waveguide, the absolute of the propagating electric field and its contour.
- d) A plane wave with unit amplitude propagates through a lens with a focal length $R_l = 10\lambda$ and $R_r = -5\lambda$. Plot the absolute of the electric field and verify the focal distance with the Lensmaker's equation.
- e) A plane wave with unit amplitude and wavelength $\lambda = 1.5 \text{ nm}$ propagates through a single slit with diameter 2λ and a refractive index $n = 1.5 + i2$ (high absorbing!). Verify the position of the diffraction maxima and minima with the results from theory.

Hints:

Get the algorithm for the BPM from the course material. Write the program for a two-dimensional scene (xz-plane) only.

Use the function `fft2()` to perform the forward Fourier transformation. The spatial frequencies of `fft2()` are sorted `index_fx = [0:nx/2-1 -nx/2:-1]`. A reasonable space index is `index_x = -nx/2:nx/2-1`. Express the aperture, sampling rate f_s and the propagation distance per layer dz in terms of the wavelength `lambda = 1.3e-6`, `ax=8*lambda`, `az = 8*lambda`, `dz = lambda/10` and `fs = 8/lambda`.

**Exercise 3: Matlab exercise:
Simulation of a refracted gaussian beam**

A gaussian beam of unit amplitude and passes a tilted interface under an angle of incidence $\theta_{i,1} = 3^\circ$ and $\theta_{i,2} = 30^\circ$. The refractive index before the interface is $n_i = 1$ and behind the interface $n_t = 1,5$. The beam propagates a distance of 5λ after being refracted by the interface.

- a) Derive the position of the gaussian beam at the given distance behind the interface from theory.
- b) Simulate the scenario with the Scalar Beam Propagation Method and calculate the deviation to the results from theory.

- c) Simulate the scenario with the Scalar Wave Propagation Method and calculate the deviation to the results from theory.
- d) Discuss the results.