

# **Fields and Waves Project**

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## 1.1

$$\begin{aligned}
k_0 &= \omega \sqrt{\mu_0 \varepsilon_0}, \\
k_1 &= n_1 k_0, \quad k_2 = n_2 k_0, \\
k_{1x} &= k_1 \sin \theta_1, \quad k_{1z} = k_1 \cos \theta_1, \quad \eta_1 = \frac{\eta_0}{n_1}, \quad \eta_2 = \frac{\eta_0}{n_2}, \quad \eta_0 \simeq 377 \, \Omega. \\
k_{2x} &= k_2 \sin \theta_2, \quad k_{2z} = k_2 \cos \theta_2, \\
(\text{Snell}) &: n_1 \sin \theta_1 = n_2 \sin \theta_2,
\end{aligned}$$

(Throughout, the common factor  $e^{j\omega t}$  is suppressed.)

Electric-field phasors

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{E}_i(\mathbf{r}) &= E_0 (\cos \theta_1 \hat{\mathbf{x}} - \sin \theta_1 \hat{\mathbf{z}}) e^{-j(k_{1x}x + k_{1z}z)}, \quad z < 0, \\
\mathbf{E}_r(\mathbf{r}) &= \Gamma_{\text{TM}} E_0 (\cos \theta_1 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \sin \theta_1 \hat{\mathbf{z}}) e^{-j(k_{1x}x - k_{1z}z)}, \quad z < 0, \\
\mathbf{E}_t(\mathbf{r}) &= T_{\text{TM}} E_0 (\cos \theta_2 \hat{\mathbf{x}} - \sin \theta_2 \hat{\mathbf{z}}) e^{-j(k_{2x}x + k_{2z}z)}, \quad z > 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Reflection transmission coefficients (TM / p-polarization)

$$\Gamma_{\text{TM}} = \frac{\eta_2 \cos \theta_2 - \eta_1 \cos \theta_1}{\eta_2 \cos \theta_2 + \eta_1 \cos \theta_1}, \quad T_{\text{TM}} = \frac{2\eta_2 \cos \theta_1}{\eta_2 \cos \theta_2 + \eta_1 \cos \theta_1}.$$

Magnetic-field phasors

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{H}_i(\mathbf{r}) &= \frac{E_0}{\eta_1} \hat{\mathbf{y}} e^{-j(k_{1x}x + k_{1z}z)}, \\
\mathbf{H}_r(\mathbf{r}) &= -\frac{\Gamma_{\text{TM}} E_0}{\eta_1} \hat{\mathbf{y}} e^{-j(k_{1x}x - k_{1z}z)}, \\
\mathbf{H}_t(\mathbf{r}) &= \frac{T_{\text{TM}} E_0}{\eta_2} \hat{\mathbf{y}} e^{-j(k_{2x}x + k_{2z}z)}.
\end{aligned}$$

All fields are written in phasor form and satisfy the boundary conditions at  $z = 0$ .

## 1.2

$$\begin{aligned}
k_0 &= \omega \sqrt{\mu_0 \varepsilon_0}, \\
k_1 &= n_1 k_0, \quad k_2 = n_2 k_0, \\
k_{2x} &= k_2 \sin \theta_2, \quad k_{2z} = k_2 \cos \theta_2, \quad \eta_1 = \frac{\eta_0}{n_1}, \quad \eta_2 = \frac{\eta_0}{n_2}, \quad \eta_0 \simeq 377 \, \Omega. \\
k_{1x} &= k_1 \sin \theta_1, \quad k_{1z} = k_1 \cos \theta_1,
\end{aligned}$$

(Snell) :  $n_2 \sin \theta_2 = n_1 \sin \theta_1$ .

(The common time factor  $e^{j\omega t}$  has been suppressed.)

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{E}_i(\mathbf{r}) &= E_0 (-\cos \theta_2 \hat{\mathbf{x}} - \sin \theta_2 \hat{\mathbf{z}}) e^{-j(k_{2x}x - k_{2z}z)}, \quad z > 0, \\
\mathbf{E}_r(\mathbf{r}) &= \Gamma_{\text{TM}} E_0 (\cos \theta_2 \hat{\mathbf{x}} - \sin \theta_2 \hat{\mathbf{z}}) e^{-j(k_{2x}x + k_{2z}z)}, \quad z > 0, \\
\mathbf{E}_t(\mathbf{r}) &= T_{\text{TM}} E_0 (-\cos \theta_1 \hat{\mathbf{x}} - \sin \theta_1 \hat{\mathbf{z}}) e^{-j(k_{1x}x - k_{1z}z)}, \quad z < 0.
\end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\Gamma_{\text{TM}} = \frac{\eta_1 \cos \theta_1 - \eta_2 \cos \theta_2}{\eta_1 \cos \theta_1 + \eta_2 \cos \theta_2}}, \quad \boxed{T_{\text{TM}} = \frac{2 \eta_1 \cos \theta_2}{\eta_1 \cos \theta_1 + \eta_2 \cos \theta_2}},$$

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} \mathbf{H}_i(\mathbf{r}) &= \frac{E_0}{\eta_2} \hat{\mathbf{y}} e^{-j(k_{2x}x - k_{2z}z)}, \\ \mathbf{H}_r(\mathbf{r}) &= -\frac{\Gamma_{\text{TM}} E_0}{\eta_2} \hat{\mathbf{y}} e^{-j(k_{2x}x + k_{2z}z)}, \\ \mathbf{H}_t(\mathbf{r}) &= \frac{T_{\text{TM}} E_0}{\eta_1} \hat{\mathbf{y}} e^{-j(k_{1x}x - k_{1z}z)}. \end{aligned}}$$

### 1.3

$$\begin{pmatrix} B \\ C \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \Gamma_{12}^{\text{TM}} & T_{21}^{\text{TM}} \\ T_{12}^{\text{TM}} & \Gamma_{21}^{\text{TM}} \end{pmatrix}}_{S_{\text{TM}}} \begin{pmatrix} A \\ D \end{pmatrix}, \quad S_{\text{TM}} : \text{dispersion (scattering) matrix.}$$

### 1.4

$$\Gamma_{ij}^{\text{TM}} = \frac{\eta_j \cos \theta_j - \eta_i \cos \theta_i}{\eta_j \cos \theta_j + \eta_i \cos \theta_i}, \quad T_{ij}^{\text{TM}} = \frac{2 \eta_j \cos \theta_i}{\eta_j \cos \theta_j + \eta_i \cos \theta_i},$$

where  $\eta_k = \eta_0/n_k$ ,  $k = 1, 2, 3$  (for non-magnetic dielectrics) and  $n_1 \sin \theta_1 = n_2 \sin \theta_2 = n_3 \sin \theta_3$  (Snell).

$$\beta_2 = k_2 \cos \theta_2, \quad \delta = \beta_2 d = k_0 n_2 \cos \theta_2 d.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_{12} &\equiv \Gamma_{12}^{\text{TM}}, & \Gamma_{21} &\equiv \Gamma_{21}^{\text{TM}}, & \Gamma_{23} &\equiv \Gamma_{23}^{\text{TM}}, & \Gamma_{32} &\equiv \Gamma_{32}^{\text{TM}}, \\ T_{12} &\equiv T_{12}^{\text{TM}}, & T_{21} &\equiv T_{21}^{\text{TM}}, & T_{23} &\equiv T_{23}^{\text{TM}}, & T_{32} &\equiv T_{32}^{\text{TM}}. \end{aligned}$$

With the above definitions, the TM-polarised scattering matrix reads

$$\boxed{S_{\text{TM}} = \begin{pmatrix} S_{11} & S_{12} \\ S_{21} & S_{22} \end{pmatrix}}$$

$$S_{11} = \Gamma_{12} + \frac{T_{12} T_{21} \Gamma_{23} e^{-2j\delta}}{1 - \Gamma_{21} \Gamma_{23} e^{-2j\delta}},$$

$$S_{22} = \Gamma_{32} + \frac{T_{32} T_{23} \Gamma_{21} e^{-2j\delta}}{1 - \Gamma_{21} \Gamma_{23} e^{-2j\delta}},$$

$$S_{12} = \frac{T_{12} T_{23} e^{-j\delta}}{1 - \Gamma_{21} \Gamma_{23} e^{-2j\delta}},$$

$$S_{21} = \frac{T_{21} T_{32} e^{-j\delta}}{1 - \Gamma_{21} \Gamma_{23} e^{-2j\delta}}.$$

Hence the desired relations between the external wave amplitudes are

$$\boxed{\begin{pmatrix} B \\ E \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} S_{11} & S_{12} \\ S_{21} & S_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A \\ F \end{pmatrix}}$$

## 2.1

**Transfer matrix** The  $2 \times 2$  transfer matrix that carries the state vector  $\Psi = (E^+, E^-)^T$  from medium 2 back into medium 1 is

$$\begin{bmatrix} C \\ D \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} m_{11} & m_{12} \\ m_{21} & m_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A \\ B \end{bmatrix}$$

$$m_{11} = \frac{1}{T_{10}}, \quad m_{12} = \frac{\Gamma_{10}}{T_{10}}, \quad m_{21} = \frac{\Gamma_{10}}{T_{10}}, \quad m_{22} = \frac{1}{T_{10}}$$

## 2.2

$$\begin{bmatrix} A \\ B \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{T_{12}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \Gamma_{12} \\ \Gamma_{12} & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{T}_{12}} \begin{bmatrix} C \\ D \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} C \\ D \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} e^{+jk_{z2}d} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-jk_{z2}d} \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{P}_2(d)} \begin{bmatrix} C_0 \\ D_0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad k_{z2} = k_0 n_2 \cos \theta_2.$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} C \\ D \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{T_{23}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \Gamma_{23} \\ \Gamma_{23} & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{T}_{23}} \begin{bmatrix} E \\ F \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\boxed{\begin{bmatrix} A \\ B \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{T}_{12} \mathbf{P}_2(d) \mathbf{T}_{23} \begin{bmatrix} E \\ F \end{bmatrix}}$$

## 2.3

**Basic data**

$$\boxed{n_1 = n_3 = 3.4, \quad n_2 = 1.5, \quad \lambda_0 = 4 \mu\text{m}, \quad d = 1 \mu\text{m}, \quad \theta_1 = 45^\circ} \quad (1)$$

$$k_0 = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda_0} = \frac{\pi}{2} \mu\text{m}^{-1} \quad (2)$$

**Snell's law and longitudinal wavenumbers**

$$\sin \theta_2 = \frac{n_1}{n_2} \sin \theta_1 = 1.604 (> 1) \implies \cos \theta_2 = j \alpha, \quad \alpha = \sqrt{\sin^2 \theta_2 - 1} = 1.254. \quad (3)$$

$$\cos \theta_1 = \cos \theta_3 = 0.7071 \quad (4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} k_{z1} = k_{z3} &= k_0 n_1 \cos \theta_1 = 3.776 \text{ rad } \mu\text{m}^{-1}, \\ k_{z2} &= k_0 n_2 \cos \theta_2 = j 2.954 \text{ rad } \mu\text{m}^{-1}, \quad \beta = k_{z2} d = j 2.954. \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

**Fresnel coefficients (TM)**

$$\eta_i = \frac{\eta_0}{n_i} \implies \eta_1 = 0.2941 \eta_0, \eta_2 = 0.6667 \eta_0, \eta_3 = 0.2941 \eta_0. \quad (6)$$

$$\Gamma_{12}^{\text{TM}} = \frac{\eta_2 \cos \theta_2 - \eta_1 \cos \theta_1}{\eta_2 \cos \theta_2 + \eta_1 \cos \theta_1} = 0.8836 + j 0.4692, \quad (7)$$

$$T_{12}^{\text{TM}} = \frac{2\eta_2 \cos \theta_1}{\eta_2 \cos \theta_2 + \eta_1 \cos \theta_1} = 0.2654 - j 1.0621, \quad (8)$$

$$\Gamma_{23}^{\text{TM}} = -0.8836 - j 0.4692, \quad T_{23}^{\text{TM}} = 0.8310 + j 0.2070. \quad (9)$$

**Transfer matrices**

$$\mathbf{T}_{12} = \frac{1}{T_{12}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \Gamma_{12} \\ \Gamma_{12} & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{P}_2(d) = \begin{bmatrix} e^{+j\beta} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-j\beta} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{T}_{23} = \frac{1}{T_{23}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \Gamma_{23} \\ \Gamma_{23} & 1 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (10)$$

$$\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{T}_{12} \mathbf{P}_2(d) \mathbf{T}_{23} = \begin{bmatrix} m_{11} & m_{12} \\ m_{21} & m_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 9.581 - j 18.047 & * \\ -0.0179 - j 20.403 & * \end{bmatrix}. \quad (11)$$

**Outgoing waves ( $A = 1, F = 0$ )**

$$E = \frac{1}{m_{11}} A = 0.02296 + j 0.04325 = 0.0490 e^{j 62.9^\circ}, \quad (12)$$

$$B = \frac{m_{21}}{m_{11}} A = 0.882 - j 0.468 = 0.998 e^{-j 27.9^\circ}. \quad (13)$$

**Reflection / transmission**

$$r = \frac{B}{A} = 0.998 e^{-j 27.9^\circ} \quad (|r| \simeq 1 \text{ — total internal reflection}), \quad (14)$$

$$t = \frac{E}{A} = 0.0490 e^{j 62.9^\circ} \quad (|t| \simeq 4.9\%), \quad (15)$$

$$\boxed{|r|^2 + |t|^2 \approx 1 \quad (\text{power balance})}. \quad (16)$$

**2.4**

the written codes have been used in the following sections.

## section 3

### Purpose

The program evaluates, for transverse-magnetic (TM) polarization, the amplitude reflection  $|R|$  and transmission  $|T|$  of a five-layer dielectric stack as functions of the incidence angle  $\theta_1$ . Three different values of the outer-layer thickness  $d_1$  are examined.

### Structure

air |  $n_1=3.4$        $n_2=1.5$        $n_3=3.4$        $n_4=1.5$        $n_5=3.4$  | air

The central layer ( $n_3$ ) has a fixed thickness  $d_0 = 0.5 \mu\text{m}$ , whereas the two identical neighborhood layers ( $n_2$  and  $n_4$ ) are scanned over

$$d_1 \in \{1, 2, 2.5\} \mu\text{m}.$$

### Main computational steps

#### 1. Initialization

The script clears the workspace and defines  $\lambda_0 = 4 \mu\text{m}$ ,  $k_0 = 2\pi/\lambda_0$  and the free-space impedance  $\eta_0$ .

#### 2. Angle grid

1000 incident angles are generated from  $0^\circ$  to  $89.999^\circ$  (the extremes are avoided to prevent division by zero).

#### 3. Double loop

For every thickness choice  $d_1$  and for every angle  $\theta_1$  the code

- (a) computes the transverse component  $k_x$  and therefore every longitudinal component  $k_{z,i}$  inside the layers,
- (b) builds the global  $2 \times 2$  transfer matrix  $M$  by cascading interface matrices  $T_{i,i+1}$  with the propagation matrices  $P_i$ ,
- (c) extracts the overall Fresnel coefficients  $r = M_{21}/M_{11}$  and  $t = 1/M_{11}$ ,
- (d) stores  $|R| = |r|$  and  $|T| = |t|$ .

#### 4. Visualization

Two figures are drawn:

- $|R|(\theta_1)$  for the three thicknesses,
- $|T|(\theta_1)$  for the same cases,

both spanning  $0^\circ \leq \theta_1 \leq 90^\circ$ .

# Results

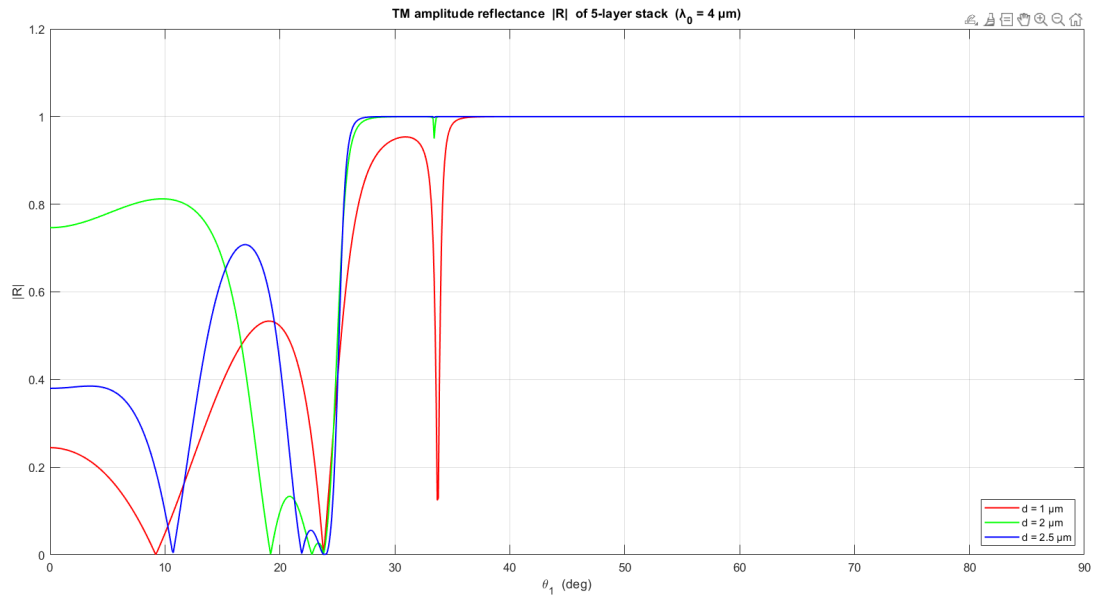


Figure 1: absolute value of reflection coefficient

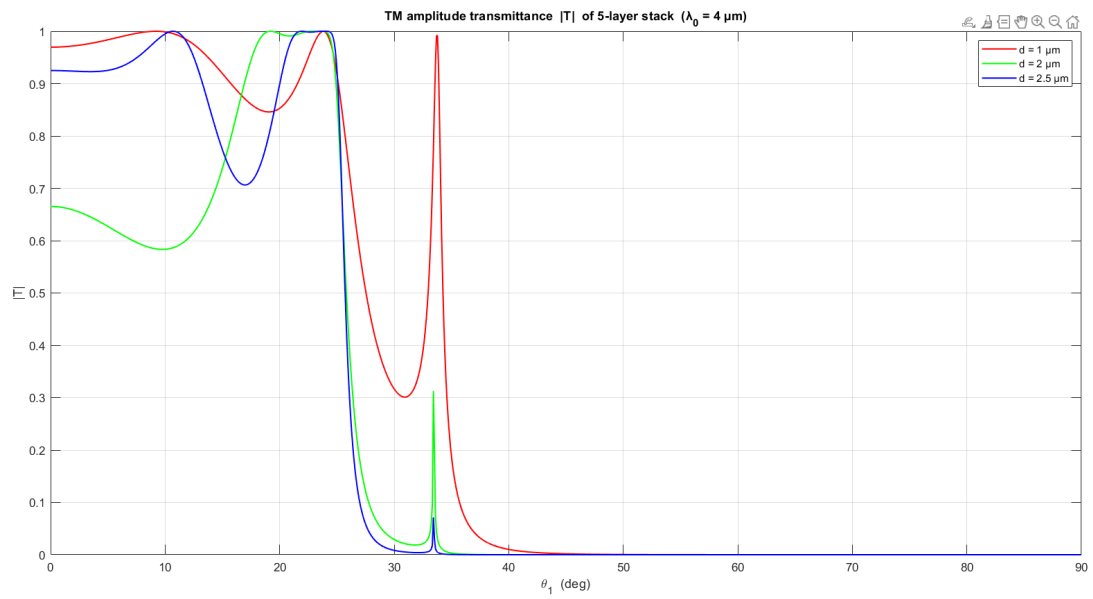


Figure 2: absolute value of transmission coefficient



## section 4

### Aim

The code finds the smallest number of (HL) pairs that gives a power reflection  $|R|^2 \geq 0.99$  at  $\lambda_0 = 1 \mu\text{m}$  and an incidence angle of  $5^\circ$  (TM). It then plots  $|R|^2(\theta_1)$  for four stacks: 16, 26, 46 and the just-found optimum layer count.

### Design data

High-index layers have  $n_H = 1.5$  and thickness  $d_H = 100 \mu\text{m}$ ; low-index layers have  $n_L = 1.4$  and  $d_L = 90 \mu\text{m}$ ; both external media are air.

### Algorithm

A while-loop increases the pair number until the transfer-matrix routine `reflectionTM` returns  $|R|^2 \geq 0.99$  at  $5^\circ$ . Afterwards, a sweep from  $0^\circ$  to  $89.9^\circ$  (step  $0.05^\circ$ ) is executed for each chosen layer count and a separate figure is drawn.

### Functions

`buildStack` creates the refractive-index and thickness vectors, including the two air half-spaces. `reflection TM` evaluates the global TM reflection with the  $2 \times 2$  transfer-matrix method.

## Results

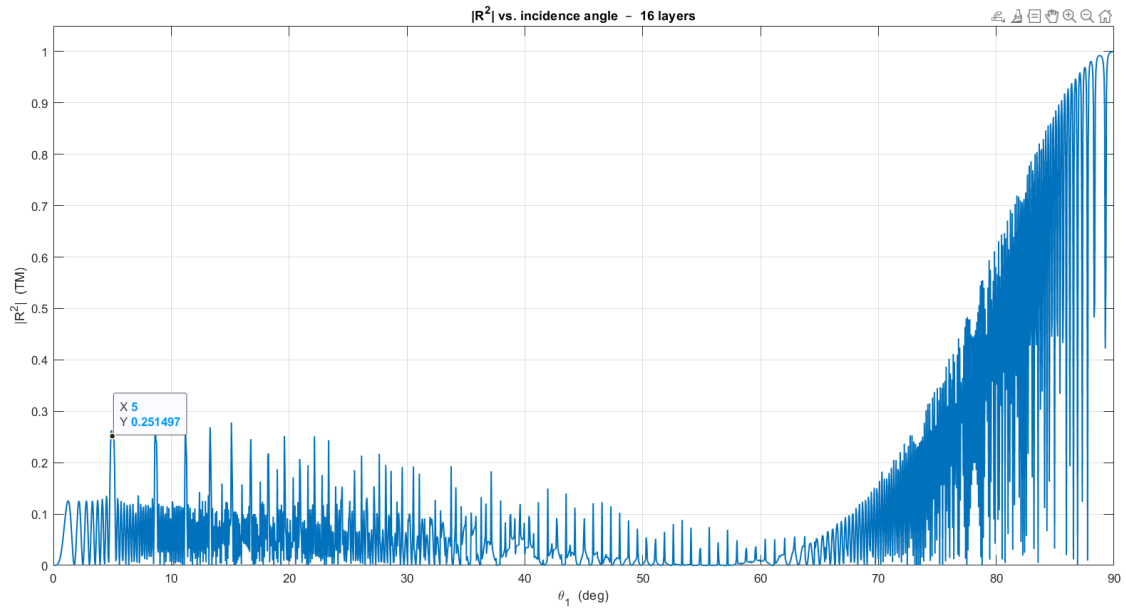


Figure 3: for 16 layers

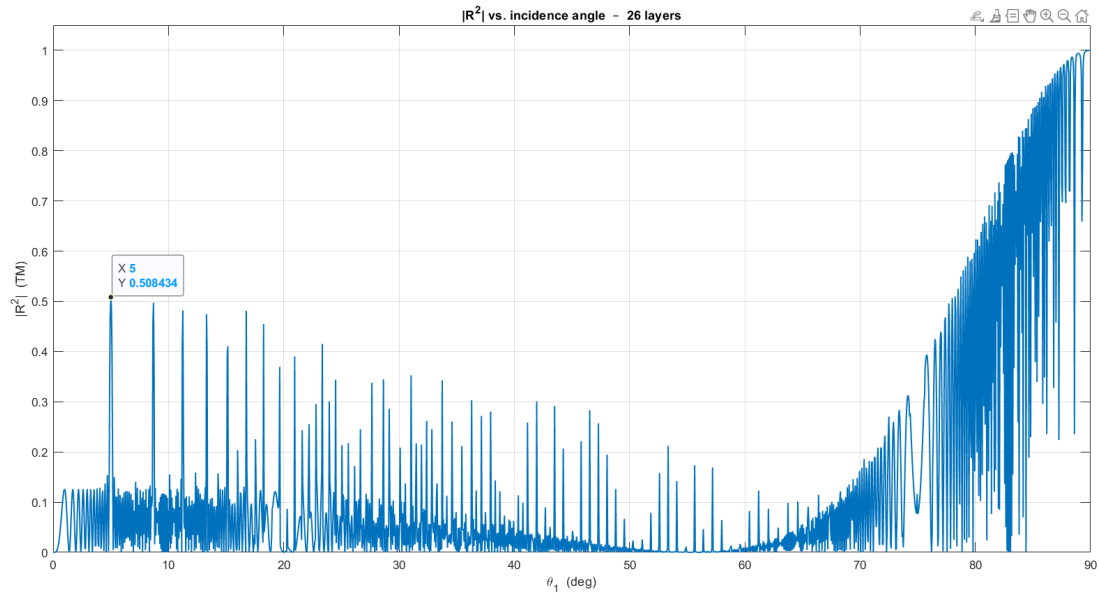


Figure 4: for 26 layers

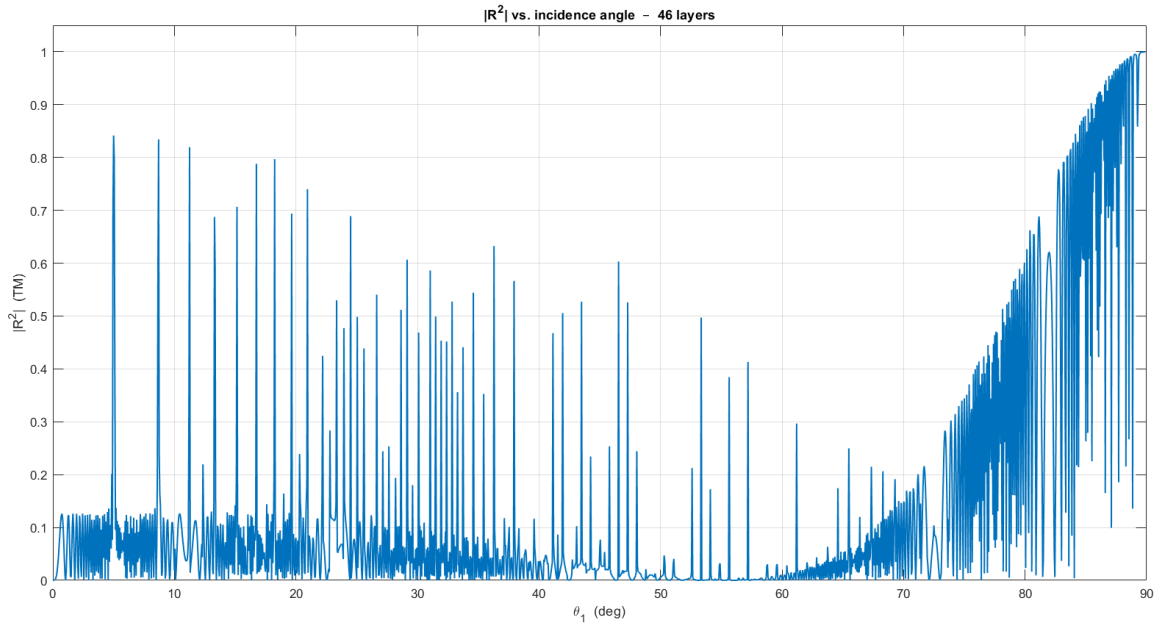


Figure 5: for 46 layers

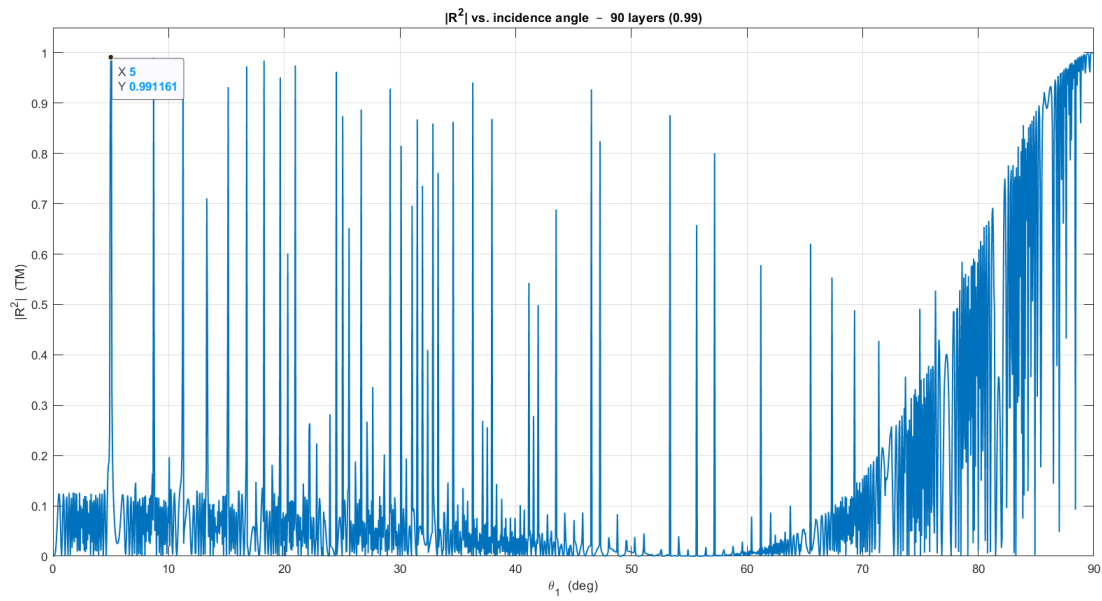


Figure 6: for 90 layers and desired result

Thanks for your attention