

ELEC 4700 Midterm Report

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1 Introduction and Background

Over the past century, extensive experimental and theoretical research has been conducted to understand the behavior of light, a form of electromagnetic radiation. Light propagation can be described by Maxwell's equations, which provide a fundamental framework for understanding its behavior. Various models have been developed to simulate light interaction with different media, aiding in advancements in fields such as photonics, optical communication, and laser technology.

This project uses a simple Travelling Wave Model (TWM) to simulate light emission within a waveguide under various conditions. The model accounts for complex sinusoidal modulation, boundary reflections, gain and loss mechanisms, detuning effects, and gratings that act as high-pass or low-pass filters. Additionally, it incorporates dispersion effects to analyze wave evolution over time. By simulating these physical phenomena, the project aims to improve our understanding of light behavior in waveguides, which has implications for developing more efficient optical devices and communication systems.

2 Basic Propagation (Milestone 1)

Milestone 1 deals with using the simple Travelling Wave Model equation and re-writing it in a code-able form and plotting it to see a Gaussian pulse propagating along a waveguide.

The simplest TLM model for propagation in a waveguide is given by these two equations:

$$\frac{1}{v_g} \frac{\partial \hat{E}_f}{\partial t} = - \frac{\partial \hat{E}_f}{\partial z} \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{1}{v_g} \frac{\partial \hat{E}_r}{\partial t} = + \frac{\partial \hat{E}_r}{\partial z} \quad (2)$$

To have a codeable form, we need to re-write the equation using the **Upwind Finite Difference Method** with the synchronization condition:

$$\Delta z = v_g \Delta t. \quad (3)$$

Derivation

Consider a generic function $f(z)$. Its derivative can be found using the **definition of the derivative**:

$$\frac{df}{dz} = \lim_{\Delta z \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(z + \Delta z) - f(z)}{\Delta z}. \quad (4)$$

Here, Δz is an infinitesimally small value, which is suitable for theoretical analysis but impractical for computational methods since computers cannot handle infinitesimal steps. In numerical computations, we approximate derivatives using **finite differences**, which rely on function values at discrete points rather than a continuous domain. Therefore, to make the problem computationally feasible, we need to **discretize** the spatial domain in the z -direction.

Spatial Discretization

To apply finite difference methods, we start by discretizing the z -spatial domain:

- Let the total length in the z -direction be finite.
- Divide the domain into N segments to obtain a uniform grid spacing:

$$\Delta z = \frac{z_{\max} - z_{\min}}{N}. \quad (5)$$

- Define each grid point as:

$$z_i = i\Delta z, \quad i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N. \quad (6)$$

This discretization transforms the continuous variable z into a series of discrete points, making it suitable for numerical computations.

Finite Difference Approximation

Starting with the definition of the derivative and substituting the discrete grid points:

$$\frac{df}{dz} = \lim_{\Delta z \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(z_i + \Delta z) - f(z_i)}{\Delta z}. \quad (7)$$

However, taking the limit is not practical for numerical methods. Instead, we approximate the derivative by using the finite Δz :

$$\left. \frac{df}{dz} \right|_{z_i} \approx \frac{f(z_i + \Delta z) - f(z_i)}{\Delta z}. \quad (8)$$

Since $z_i + \Delta z = z_{i+1}$, this can be rewritten as:

$$\left. \frac{df}{dz} \right|_{z_i} \approx \frac{f(z_{i+1}) - f(z_i)}{\Delta z}. \quad (9)$$

This expression is known as the **forward difference approximation**.

Similarly, we can also formulate the derivative this way

$$\left. \frac{df}{dz} \right|_{z_i} \approx \frac{f(z_i) - f(z_{i-1})}{\Delta z}. \quad (10)$$

This expression is known as the **backward difference approximation**.

Equations (4) through (10) establish the theoretical foundation for computing the derivative of a generic function. Building on these concepts, we will now apply them to solve an **advection** equation, specifically the TWM equations given by Equations (1) and (2).

We will skip the "definition of derivative" form of E_f and E_r (similar to equation (4)) and proceed directly to their finite difference forms, similar to equation (8). Before doing so, we need to discretize both variables, z and t . This is done by defining each grid point as follows:

$$t_j = j\Delta t, \quad j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, M, \quad (11)$$

$$z_i = i\Delta z, \quad i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N. \quad (12)$$

From mathematical principles, when computing the derivative of a two-variable function, one variable must be held constant while differentiating with respect to the other. Since E_f depends on both z and t , its derivative involves holding either z or t constant, depending on the context.

For wave equations, it is crucial to define the direction of the positive axis. In this analysis, it is assumed that the positive z -direction is defined as the direction in which a wave propagates from left to right. Consequently, the sign in front of the spatial derivative $\frac{\partial E_f}{\partial z}$ indicates the direction of wave propagation.

- A “+” sign indicates that the Wave moves left (negative z -direction).
- A “-” sign indicates that the Wave moves right (positive z -direction).

Based on this, we can derive finite difference equations for Equations (1) and (2). However, before doing so, it is important to understand what the upwind finite difference method is, how it allows us to numerically compute the TWM equations, and how it ensures stability by using information from the direction the wave is coming from. For a rightward-moving wave, a backward difference in space is used to incorporate upstream information from the left, whereas for a leftward-moving wave, a forward difference in space is applied to capture upstream information from the right. Future states depend on known past states, ensuring both causality and stability. Causality is maintained by preventing reliance on unknown future values, while stability is achieved by using previously computed time step values, allowing for an accurate progression of the wave solution.

Finite Differences Derivation for Equation (1)

- **Time derivative (forward difference):**

$$\left. \frac{\partial \hat{E}_f}{\partial t} \right|_{(z_i, t_j)} \approx \frac{\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_j) - \hat{E}_f(z_i, t_{j-1})}{\Delta t} \quad (13)$$

- **Space derivative (upwind backward difference)** (*wave propagates in the $+z$ direction*):

$$\left. \frac{\partial \hat{E}_f}{\partial z} \right|_{(z_i, t_j)} \approx \frac{\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) - \hat{E}_f(z_{i-1}, t_{j-1})}{\Delta z} \quad (14)$$

Substituting these finite difference approximations back into the original PDE (equation (1)):

$$\frac{1}{v_g} \cdot \frac{\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_j) - \hat{E}_f(z_i, t_{j-1})}{\Delta t} = - \frac{\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) - \hat{E}_f(z_{i-1}, t_{j-1})}{\Delta z} \quad (15)$$

Substituting the synchronization condition from equation (3) into the discretized PDE gives:

$$\frac{1}{v_g} \cdot \frac{\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_j) - \hat{E}_f(z_i, t_{j-1})}{\Delta t} = - \frac{\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) - \hat{E}_f(z_{i-1}, t_{j-1})}{v_g \Delta t}. \quad (16)$$

Multiplying both sides by $v_g \Delta t$ simplifies the equation to:

$$\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_j) - \hat{E}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) = -\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) + \hat{E}_f(z_{i-1}, t_{j-1}). \quad (17)$$

Rearranging to solve for $\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_j)$:

$$\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_j) = \hat{E}_f(z_{i-1}, t_{j-1}). \quad (18)$$

Finite Differences Derivation for Equation (2)

- **Time derivative (forward difference):**

$$\left. \frac{\partial \hat{E}_r}{\partial t} \right|_{(z_i, t_j)} \approx \frac{\hat{E}_r(z_i, t_j) - \hat{E}_r(z_i, t_{j-1})}{\Delta t} \quad (19)$$

The time derivative for Equation (2), as given by Equation (19), is the same as the one derived for Equation (1), as shown in Equation (13). This is because time advances in only one direction, regardless of the direction of wave propagation. Therefore, both Equation (1) and Equation (2) share the same finite difference approximation for the time derivative.

- **Space derivative (upwind forward difference) (*wave propagates in the $-z$ direction*):**

$$\left. \frac{\partial \hat{E}_r}{\partial z} \right|_{(z_i, t_j)} \approx \frac{\hat{E}_r(z_{i+1}, t_{j-1}) - \hat{E}_r(z_i, t_{j-1})}{\Delta z} \quad (20)$$

Substituting these finite difference approximations into the original PDE:

$$\frac{1}{v_g} \cdot \frac{\hat{E}_r(z_i, t_j) - \hat{E}_r(z_i, t_{j-1})}{\Delta t} = \frac{\hat{E}_r(z_{i+1}, t_{j-1}) - \hat{E}_r(z_i, t_{j-1})}{\Delta z} \quad (21)$$

Applying the synchronization condition $v_g \Delta t = \Delta z$:

$$\frac{1}{v_g} \cdot \frac{\hat{E}_r(z_i, t_j) - \hat{E}_r(z_i, t_{j-1})}{\Delta t} = \frac{\hat{E}_r(z_{i+1}, t_{j-1}) - \hat{E}_r(z_i, t_{j-1})}{v_g \Delta t} \quad (22)$$

Multiplying both sides by $v_g \Delta t$:

$$\hat{E}_r(z_i, t_j) - \hat{E}_r(z_i, t_{j-1}) = \hat{E}_r(z_{i+1}, t_{j-1}) - \hat{E}_r(z_i, t_{j-1}) \quad (23)$$

Rearranging to solve for $\hat{E}_r(z_i, t_j)$:

$$\hat{E}_r(z_i, t_j) = \hat{E}_r(z_{i+1}, t_{j-1}) \quad (24)$$

These results (Equations (18) and (24)) show that under the synchronization condition, the field at position z_i and time t_j is determined by the field at the previous position and time. Equation (18), which corresponds to a wave propagating in the $+z$ -direction, shows that the field at (z_i, t_j) depends on the field at (z_{i-1}, t_{j-1}) , reflecting the physical intuition that information travels from left to right. In contrast, Equation (24), which represents wave propagation in the $-z$ -direction, indicates that the field at (z_i, t_j) is determined by the field at (z_{i+1}, t_{j-1}) , capturing the concept that information travels from right to left. In both cases, future wave states are computed step-by-step from known states. These fully discretized equations provide a stable framework for numerically solving the travelling wave model and ensure that the direction of wave propagation is accurately represented through the appropriate upwind finite difference method.

Code

The full code corresponding to Milestone 1 can be found in Appendix under Section 7.2.

Now that the discretized, code-able TWM equations have been derived, they are implemented in MATLAB to verify that the upwind finite difference method is not only correct but also stable. The code used to represent Equations (18) and (24) come from lines 106 and 107 and is placed inside the main loop to enable continuous field updates required for smooth wave propagation. The code is:

```
Ef(2:Nz) = fsync * Ef(1:Nz-1);
Er(1:Nz-1) = fsync * Er(2:Nz);
```

The code above accurately represents Equation (18) because the present values of E_f are computed using past values, ensuring that information flows in the correct direction and no future data is used to infer the present. This preserves the physical principle of causality, where the current state depends only on prior states. The range for the present values (left-hand side of Equation (18)) starts at 2 because the forward propagation calculation requires information from the previous spatial point. Since MATLAB indexing starts at 1, starting the present value range at the first element would require referencing a non-existent zero index for the past values, which would

result in an indexing error. The range for the present values ends at Nz because it corresponds to the last discrete spatial point along the z -axis. Including Nz in the range for past values would attempt to access an out-of-bounds index beyond the waveguide's physical domain. For example, if the past values range ended at Nz , the present values of E_f on the left-hand side of the equation would extend to $Nz + 1$, which lies outside the physical boundary of the problem and would cause an indexing error in the code. Capping the past range at $Nz - 1$ ensures that all accessed indices are valid while maintaining consistency with the physical boundary. Together, these index ranges ensure that the updated field correctly reflects the wave's propagation and aligns with the discretized form given by Equation (18).

The same logic applies to the backward-propagating field E_r , where the range $1 : Nz - 1$ preserves causality by ensuring that present field values depend on past values at spatial points located upstream along the propagation path.

Additionally, the **fsync** term is the stability factor that ensures the numerical method remains stable and allows the Gaussian pulse to propagate without distortion.

At the boundaries of the waveguide, boundary conditions can be added to act like mirrors. The code below from lines 102 and 103 implements the boundary conditions at both ends of the waveguide. At the left boundary ($z = 0$), the forward-propagating field is set as the sum of the input field from the left and the reflected backward-propagating field, scaled by the left reflection coefficient. In the code, **InputL(i)** represents the input wave entering from the left at time step i , while **RL*Er(1)** accounts for the portion of the backward field reflected back into the waveguide.

At the right boundary ($z = L$), the backward-propagating field is similarly updated. It is computed as the sum of the right input field and the forward-propagating field reflected at the boundary, scaled by the right reflection coefficient. Here, **InputR(i)** denotes the input wave from the right side, and **RR*Ef(Nz)** represents the reflection of the forward field at the right boundary. In short, these boundary conditions model mirror like reflections at both ends of the waveguide.

```
Ef(1) = InputL(i) + RL*Er(1);
Er(Nz) = InputR(i) + RR*Ef(Nz);
```

The code snippet below lines 110 and 111 calculates the output fields at the waveguide boundaries. At the right boundary ($z = L$), **OutputR(i)** represents the transmitted portion of the forward-propagating field after accounting for reflections. The factor $(1 - RR)$ ensures that only the part of the wave not reflected at the boundary is considered as output.

Similarly, at the left boundary ($z = 0$), `OutputL(i)` calculates output of the backward-propagating field. The factor $(1 - RL)$ removes the reflected portion, ensuring that only the transmitted part of the backward wave is included in the output.

These factors act as transmission coefficients, ensuring that the reflected portion of the field is subtracted from the total field at the boundary, allowing the code to capture the correct transmitted outputs.

```
OutputR(i) = Ef(Nz)*(1-RR);
OutputL(i) = Er(1)*(1-RL);
```

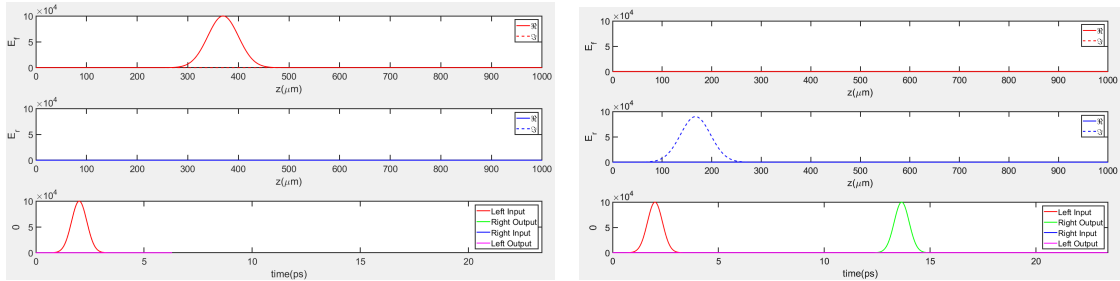
The code snippet below, found in lines 94 and 95, defines the reflection coefficients at the left and right boundaries. Their values are set to $0.9i$, indicating that they are complex reflection coefficients.

```
RL = 0.9i;
RR = 0.9i;
```

Simulation Results

The code from Section 2.7.2 was simulated for left and right inputs, including a Gaussian and a modulated Gaussian, and the resulting plots are presented below:

Normal Gaussian Pulse Input from the Left and Reflection at the Right Side



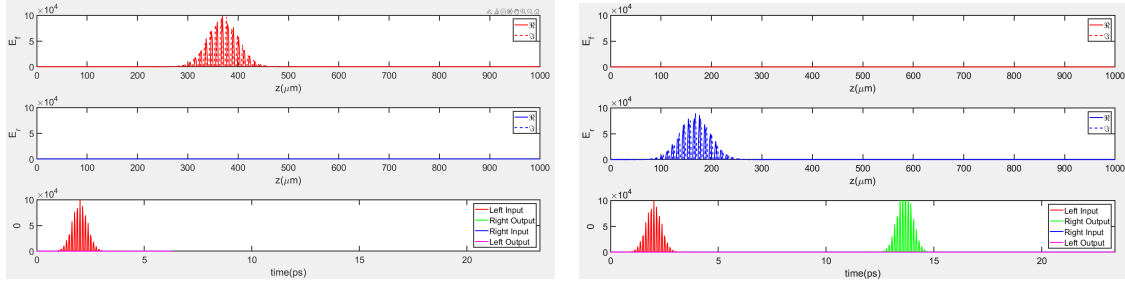
(a) Forward-propagating unmodulated Gaussian pulse from the left input. (b) Backward-propagating unmodulated Gaussian pulse reflected from the right boundary.

Figure 1: An un-modulated Gaussian pulse inputted from the left input and reflected at the right boundary of the waveguide, with E_{field} units as $V/\mu m$

Modulated Gaussian Pulse Input from the Left and Reflection at the Right Side

To generate a sinusoidally modulated Gaussian pulse, the code was slightly modified by updating the frequency of the sinusoidal modulation parameter from 0 Hz to 50 THz, as shown below:

```
InputParasL.we = 5e13; % Frequency of complex modulation on Gaussian pulse
```



(a) Sinusoidally modulated Gaussian pulse propagating forward from the left input. (b) Sinusoidally modulated Gaussian pulse propagating backward after reflection at the right boundary.

Figure 2: A 50 THz sinusoidally modulated Gaussian pulse inputted from the left input and reflected at the right boundary of the waveguide, with E_{field} units as $V/\mu m$

Normal Gaussian Pulse Input from the Right and Reflection at the Left Side

To generate an input from the right side, InputParasR was activated with minor code modifications. InputParasL was disabled to clearly observe the wave propagating from the right input and reflecting off the left boundary. The code changes are as follows:

```
InputParasR = 0;
```

Updated to (1st change):

```
InputParasR.E0 = 1e5; % Amplitude of the right-side input E-field / E_r
InputParasR.we = 5e13; % Frequency of modulation on Gaussian pulse
InputParasR.t0 = 2e-12; % Time shift for the right-side input
InputParasR.wg = 5e-13; % Width of Gaussian distribution for right input
InputParasR.phi = 0; % Initial phase of the right input field
```

Then,

```
InputR(i) = ErN(t, 0); % No input from the right previously
```

Updated to (2nd change):

```
InputR(i) = ErN(t, InputParasR); % Input signal from right side at time step i
```

Then, InputParasL:

```
InputParasL.E0 = 1e5;          % Amplitude of the input E-field / E_f
InputParasL.we = 0;            % Frequency of modulation on Gaussian pulse
InputParasL.t0 = 2e-12;        % Time shift for the left-side input
InputParasL.wg = 5e-13;        % Width of the Gaussian distribution
InputParasL.phi = 0;           % Initial phase of the left input field
```

Updated to (3rd change):

```
InputParasL = 0;
```

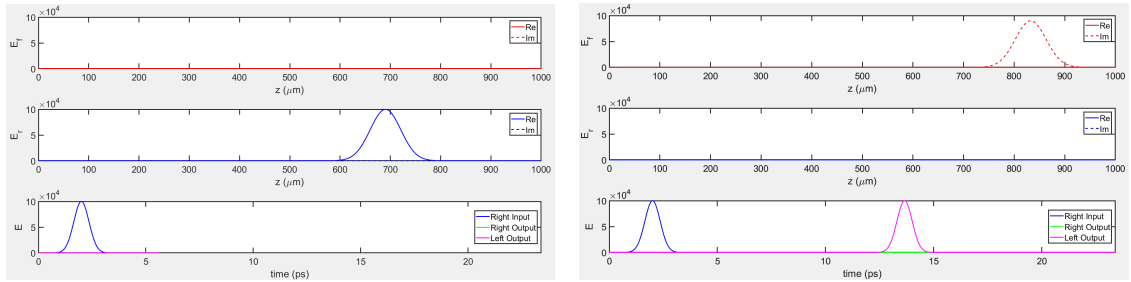
Then:

```
InputL(i) = Ef1(t, InputParasL);
```

Updated to (4th Change):

```
InputL(i) = Ef1(t, 0);
```

After these modifications, simulating the code produced the following plots:



(a) Forward-propagating Gaussian pulse from the right (b) Backward-propagating Gaussian pulse reflected from the left boundary.

Figure 3: An un-modulated Gaussian pulse inputted from the right input and reflected at the left boundary of the waveguide, with E_{field} units as $V/\mu m$

Although it is not clear from Figure 2, we can see from Figures 1 and 3 that for a purely real input from either the right or left side, when reflected at the left or right boundaries, the magnitude of the wave decreases and the reflected waves become purely imaginary. This is consistent with the reflection coefficients R_R and R_L mentioned above, which are set to $0.9i$. A purely real wave reflecting at either boundary will have its amplitude scaled by 0.9 and become purely imaginary due to the i term.

A sinusoidally modulated plot for the right input was not performed, as it would be identical to Figure 2 but mirrored.

In conclusion, Milestone 1 involved deriving the code-able form of the Travelling Wave Equation, implementing the derived equations in MATLAB, and obtaining simulation results in the form of plots. The derivation and code were found to be correct since the simulation results behaved as intended and matched the expected outcomes.

3 Static Gain, Detuning, and Frequency Domain (Milestone 2)

Milestone 2 deals with using the simple Travelling Wave Model (TWM) and introducing static gain and detuning to the pulse, then examining the changes to the pulse in the spectral domain. The modified equations that model the static gain and detuning are given below:

$$\frac{1}{v_g} \frac{\partial \hat{E}_f}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial \hat{E}_f}{\partial z} - i\hat{\beta}\hat{E}_f \quad (25)$$

$$\frac{1}{v_g} \frac{\partial \hat{E}_r}{\partial t} = +\frac{\partial \hat{E}_r}{\partial z} - i\hat{\beta}\hat{E}_r \quad (26)$$

The exact physical derivation for Equations (25) and (26) starts in the same way as the derivation of Equations (1) and (2) but deviates at the point where Equation (27), given below, is not neglected.

$$\mu\sigma \frac{\partial \hat{E}(z, t)}{\partial t} \quad (27)$$

To be specific, it deviates where the material property parameter σ in the equation above is not assumed or set to zero. Milestone 1 dealt with propagation in a lossless

medium, whereas Milestone 2 requires the physical material parameters not to be neglected because they control whether the pulse experiences gain or loss in the waveguide.

The derivation continues by assuming a harmonic time dependence of the form $\hat{E}(z, t) = \hat{E}(z)e^{-i\omega t}$ and defining the complex propagation constant $\hat{\beta} = \beta_r + i\beta_i$. This transforms the wave equation into a second-order differential equation in space. Solving this PDE leads directly to the gain/loss-modified TWM Equations (25) and (26), where the imaginary part of $\hat{\beta}$ introduces exponential growth (gain) or decay (loss) into the traveling waves and the real part of $\hat{\beta}$ introduces de-tuning of the wave.

To be able to see this physical phenomena, we need to transform Equations (25) and (26) into something that is code-able i.e. discretize the equations. This process will involve starting with the Forward Wave Equation (25), then rearranging it to isolate the spatial derivative:

$$\frac{\partial \hat{E}_f}{\partial z} = -\frac{1}{v_g} \frac{\partial \hat{E}_f}{\partial t} - i\hat{\beta}\hat{E}_f \quad (28)$$

Assuming a quasi-static solution where the time variation is negligible over the step Δz , the time derivative term can be dropped:

$$\frac{\partial \hat{E}_f}{\partial z} = -i\hat{\beta}\hat{E}_f \quad (29)$$

This equation shows how the forward-traveling wave evolves spatially, with the term $-i\hat{\beta}\hat{E}_f$ accounting for both phase shift (from the real part of $\hat{\beta}$) and gain or loss (from the imaginary part of $\hat{\beta}$).

To determine the wave behavior over a small spatial step Δz , both sides are integrated from z_{i-1} to z_i :

$$\int_{E_f(z_{i-1})}^{E_f(z_i)} \frac{1}{\hat{E}_f} d\hat{E}_f = -i \int_{z_{i-1}}^{z_i} \hat{\beta}(z) dz \quad (30)$$

Using the integral identity:

$$\int \frac{1}{x} dx = \ln|x| + C$$

The left-hand side simplifies to a natural logarithm:

$$\ln \left(\frac{\hat{E}_f(z_i)}{\hat{E}_f(z_{i-1})} \right) = -i \int_{z_{i-1}}^{z_i} \hat{\beta}(z) dz \quad (31)$$

Assuming that $\hat{\beta}$ is constant over the interval Δz , the integral on the right-hand side simplifies using the property:

$$\int_a^b c dx = c(b - a) \quad \text{for a constant } c$$

resulting in:

$$\ln \left(\frac{\hat{E}_f(z_i)}{\hat{E}_f(z_{i-1})} \right) = -i \hat{\beta}(z_i) \Delta z \quad (32)$$

Exponentiating both sides with the identity:

$$e^{\ln(x)} = x$$

gives:

$$\frac{\hat{E}_f(z_i)}{\hat{E}_f(z_{i-1})} = e^{-i \hat{\beta}(z_i) \Delta z} \quad (33)$$

Thus, the forward wave after one spatial step is:

$$\hat{E}_f(z_i) = \hat{E}_f(z_{i-1}) e^{-i \hat{\beta}(z_i) \Delta z} \quad (34)$$

In time-domain marching methods, the wave at position z_i and time t_j is computed from the previous time step t_{j-1} as:

$$\hat{E}_f(t_j, z_i) = \hat{E}_f(t_{j-1}, z_{i-1}) e^{-i \hat{\beta}(z_i) \Delta z} \quad (35)$$

For the reverse-traveling wave, the corresponding equation is:

$$\hat{E}_r(t_j, z_i) = \hat{E}_r(t_{j-1}, z_{i+1}) e^{-i \hat{\beta}(z_i) \Delta z} \quad (36)$$

The exponential term in these equations introduces both phase rotation (from the real part of $\hat{\beta}$) and amplitude changes (from the imaginary part of $\hat{\beta}$). If $\beta_i < 0$, the wave amplitude increases, indicating gain. Conversely, if $\beta_i > 0$, the amplitude decreases, indicating loss. Incorporating a complex propagation constant into the TWM equations results in an exponential factor that models the gain or loss experienced by the traveling waves during propagation.

Code

The full code corresponding to Milestone 2 can be found in Appendix under 7.5 Section E.

Now that the discretized, code-able modified TWM equations have been derived, they are implemented in MATLAB to verify that the derivations for static gain and denutuning is correctly implemented. The code used to represent Equations (35) and (36) and its validity can be found at lines 17, 18, 99, 100, 111, 112, 119, 120 and 161-174.

The various pieces of code are as follows:

```
beta_r = 0;  
beta_i = 0;
```

This code initializes the real and imaginary parts of the complex propagation constant β . Currently, both are set to zero, but they can be modified as needed. Different values of β_r and β_i will be explored in the simulation section for Milestone 2.

```
beta = ones(size(z)) * (beta_r + 1i * beta_i);  
exp_det = exp(-1i * dz * beta);
```

This code initializes an array with the same size as the waveguide for the complex propagation constant β . Each element of this array is assigned the value $\beta_r + i\beta_i$, where β_r and β_i are defined earlier. Since β is treated as a constant along the waveguide, it is initialized outside the main loop to improve efficiency.

The variable `exp_det` represents the exponential term that appears in Equations (35) and (36), effectively capturing the phase and amplitude variations introduced by β . Like `beta`, `exp_det` is also an array of the same length as the waveguide.

```
Ef(2:Nz) = fsync * exp_det(1:Nz-1) .* Ef(1:Nz-1);  
Er(1:Nz-1) = fsync * exp_det(2:Nz) .* Er(2:Nz);
```

This code is similar to the one used in Milestone 1 but includes the additional `exp_det` term, which accounts for the exponential behavior described in Equations (35) and (36). This term effectively introduces gain/loss and/or de-tuning to the propagating wave, depending on the value of β_i and β_r respectively.

It is also important to note that the indexing of `exp_det` matches the indexing of the `Ef` on the right-hand side of Equation (35). This indexing matching maintains numerical stability and follows the same principles discussed in Milestone 1 for handling wave propagation in discrete steps.


```
fftOutput = fftshift(fft(OutputR));    % Get FFT data for OutputR
omega = fftshift(wspace(time));
```

This code computes the Fourier Transform of the output signal `OutputR` to obtain its frequency-domain representation. The variable `omega` corresponds to the frequency axis.

```
subplot(3,2,2);
plot(omega, abs(fftOutput));
xlabel('Frequency (THz)');
ylabel('|E|');
xlim([-1.5e14, 1.5e14]);

subplot(3,2,4);
phase = unwrap(angle(fftOutput)); % Unwrap the phase
plot(omega, phase);
xlabel('Frequency (THz)');
ylabel('Phase (E)');
xlim([-1.5e14, 1.5e14]);
```

This code plots the magnitude and phase of the Gaussian-modulated pulse in the frequency domain, illustrating the effects of gain, loss, and de-tuning on its spectrum.

Simulation Results

Time domain, magnitude, and phase plots for $B_r = B_i = 0$

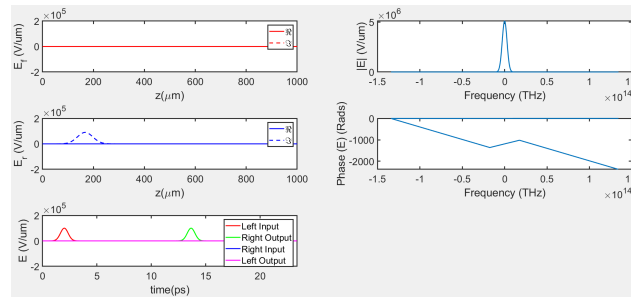


Figure 4: Magnitude and phase of a Normal Gaussian pulse with no gain or de-tuning

Figure 4 represents the simulation of a normal Gaussian pulse propagating through the waveguide with no modulation, gain or de-tuning. The field detection plot the the bottom left confirms that there is no gain present whereas the magnitude vs frequency plot confirms that there is no modulation present.

Time domain, magnitude, and phase plots for $B_r = 0$, $B_i = 8$ with a simple Gaussian

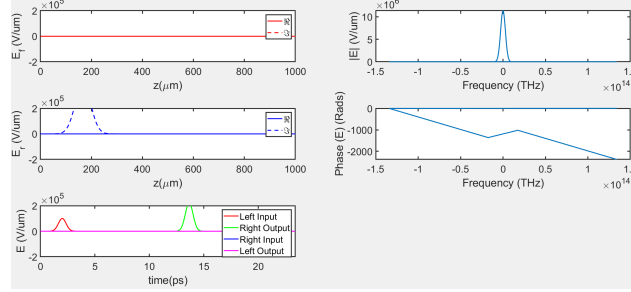


Figure 5: Magnitude and phase of a normal Gaussian pulse with a gain but no de-tuning

Figure 5 represents the simulation of a normal Gaussian pulse propagating through the waveguide with some gain but no modulation or de-tuning. The field detection plot the the bottom left confirms that there is some gain present whereas the magnitude vs frequency plot confirms that there is no modulation present.

Time domain, magnitude, and phase plots for $B_r = 0$, $B_i = 8$ with a modulated Gaussian

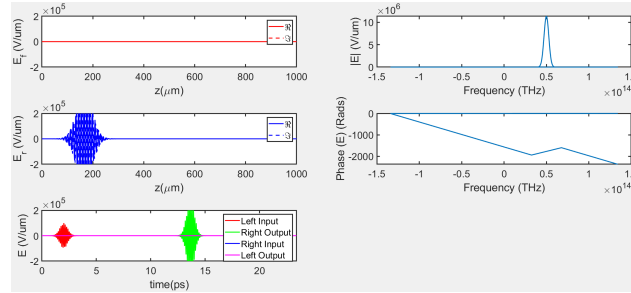


Figure 6: Magnitude and phase of a modulated Gaussian pulse with some gain but no de-tuning

Figure 6 represents the simulation of a modulated Gaussian pulse propagating through the waveguide with some gain but no de-tuning. The field detection plot the the bottom left confirms that there is some gain present whereas the magnitude vs frequency plot also confirms that there modulation present since the magnitude curve is shifted

to the right with the same amount as the frequency of the modulation, which in this case is 50 THz.

Time domain, magnitude, and phase plots for $B_r = 80$, $B_i = 0$

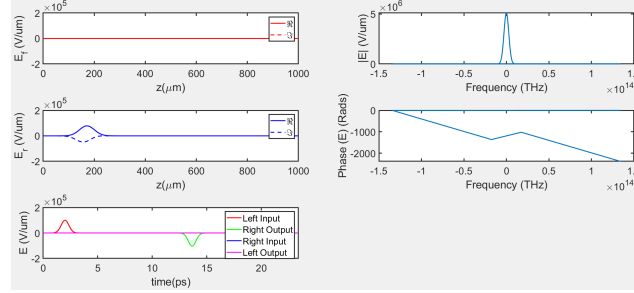


Figure 7: Magnitude and phase of a normal Gaussian pulse with no gain but phase shift due to de-tuning

Figure 7 represents the simulation of a normal Gaussian pulse propagating through the waveguide with no gain and no modulation but some phase shift due to de-tuning. The field detection plot the the bottom left confirms that there is no gain present whereas the magnitude vs frequency plot also confirms that there is no modulation present.

Time domain, magnitude, and phase plots for $B_r = 80$, $B_i = 8$

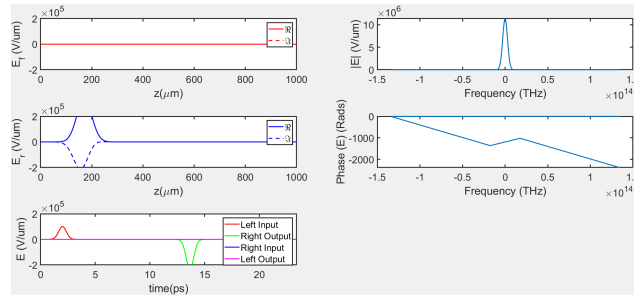


Figure 8: Magnitude and phase of a normal Gaussian pulse some gain and phase shift due to de-tuning

Figure 8 represents the simulation of a normal Gaussian pulse propagating through the waveguide with some gain and some phase shift due to de-tuning, but no modulation. The field detection plot the the bottom left confirms that there is some gain

present whereas the magnitude vs frequency plot confirms that there is no modulation present.

In conclusion, Milestone 2 involved deriving a numerically implementable form of the travelling wave equation with static gain and de-tuning to the pulse, then examining the changes to the pulse in the spectral domain, and implementing the derived equations in MATLAB, and finally, obtaining simulation results in the form of plots. The derivation and code were verified to be correct, as the simulation results matched the expected outcomes.

4 Gratings and the use of $\hat{\kappa}$ (Milestone 3)

Milestone 3 builds upon the simple Travelling Wave Model (TWM) by introducing gratings into the waveguide, which reflect the wave upon interaction and cause back reflection. Additionally, we examine how this reflection affects the propagation of a Gaussian pulse in both the time and frequency domains. The modified equations that model the grating effects are given below:

$$\frac{1}{v_g} \frac{\partial \hat{E}_f}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial \hat{E}_f}{\partial z} + i\kappa_f \hat{E}_r \quad (37)$$

$$\frac{1}{v_g} \frac{\partial \hat{E}_r}{\partial t} = +\frac{\partial \hat{E}_r}{\partial z} + i\kappa_r \hat{E}_f \quad (38)$$

To observe this physical phenomenon, we need to transform the above equations into a form suitable for numerical implementation, i.e., discretize them. The discretization process follows the same methodology used in the derivations for Equations (1) and (2). Hence, derived equations from Milestone 1, such as the time derivatives, Equation (13) which corresponds to $\left. \frac{\partial \hat{E}_f}{\partial t} \right|_{(z_i, t_j)}$ and Equation (19) which corresponds to $\left. \frac{\partial \hat{E}_r}{\partial t} \right|_{(z_i, t_j)}$, can be reused. Similarly, the spatial derivatives, Equation (14) representing $\left. \frac{\partial \hat{E}_f}{\partial z} \right|_{(z_i, t_j)}$ and Equation (20) representing $\left. \frac{\partial \hat{E}_r}{\partial z} \right|_{(z_i, t_j)}$, can also be reused.

By substituting the previously derived Equations (13) and (14) into Equation (37), we obtain:

$$\frac{1}{v_g} \frac{\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_j) - \hat{E}_f(z_i, t_{j-1})}{\Delta t} = - \frac{\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) - \hat{E}_f(z_{i-1}, t_{j-1})}{\Delta z} + i\kappa_f \hat{E}_r \quad (39)$$

Rearranging the synchronization condition from Equation (3) to the form $v_g = \frac{\Delta z}{\Delta t}$ and substituting it into the above equation yields

$$\frac{\Delta t}{\Delta z} \frac{\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_j) - \hat{E}_f(z_i, t_{j-1})}{\Delta t} = - \frac{\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) - \hat{E}_f(z_{i-1}, t_{j-1})}{\Delta z} + i\kappa_f \hat{E}_r \quad (40)$$

Canceling Δt from the left-hand side gives:

$$\frac{\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_j) - \hat{E}_f(z_i, t_{j-1})}{\Delta z} = - \frac{\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) - \hat{E}_f(z_{i-1}, t_{j-1})}{\Delta z} + i\kappa_f \hat{E}_r \quad (41)$$

Multiplying both sides by Δz results in:

$$\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_j) - \hat{E}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) = - \left[\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) - \hat{E}_f(z_{i-1}, t_{j-1}) \right] + i\Delta z \kappa_f \hat{E}_r \quad (42)$$

Solving for $\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_j)$:

$$\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_j) = \hat{E}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) - \left[\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) - \hat{E}_f(z_{i-1}, t_{j-1}) \right] + i\Delta z \kappa_f \hat{E}_r \quad (43)$$

Simplifying the terms:

$$\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_j) = \hat{E}_f(z_{i-1}, t_{j-1}) + i\Delta z \kappa_f \hat{E}_r \quad (44)$$

Up to this point, the discrete indices for \hat{E}_r within the term $i\Delta z \kappa_f \hat{E}_r$ had not been specified. However, in Equation (45), they are defined as $\hat{E}_r(z_{i+1}, t_{j-1})$. The reasoning behind this choice dates back to Milestone 1, where the selection of discrete indices for a forward or reverse-propagating field was explained. For a forward-propagating wave (moving left to right), the value at the i th point depends on the $(i-1)$ th point, which lies upstream in its propagation direction. Conversely, for a reverse-propagating wave (moving right to left), the field at the i th grid point relies on the $(i+1)$ th point. Thus, when forward and reverse-propagating pulses converge at the i th grid point, their interaction is determined by the upstream data from their respective directions: $i-1$ for the forward wave and $i+1$ for the reverse wave. Equation (44) specifically models how the forward coupling coefficient of the grating at the i th point affects the reverse-propagating pulse. This indexing choice

ensures causality is maintained, since using future states to compute the present state lead to numerical instability. Additionally, κ_f is updated to $\hat{\kappa}_f$ to account for the fact that the grating does not extend along the entire waveguide. As a result, the coupling coefficient is not constant and varies with position. To capture this spatial dependence, it is best to represent $\hat{\kappa}_f$ as a position-dependent variable. When the discretized equations are implemented in code, $\hat{\kappa}_f$ can be treated as an array or matrix, where each element corresponds to the coupling coefficient at a specific discrete grid point z_i . This approach ensures that the grating's non-uniform profile is accurately modeled in the simulation. Hence, the final equation is written as:

$$\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_j) = \hat{E}_f(z_{i-1}, t_{j-1}) + i\Delta z \hat{\kappa}_f \hat{E}_r(z_{i+1}, t_{j-1}) \quad (45)$$

Since \hat{E}_f and \hat{E}_r are mathematical mirrors of each other, it is reasonable to assume that the derivation for \hat{E}_r follows the same approach as that for \hat{E}_f . Hence, we can directly obtain the discretized equation for \hat{E}_r without performing the full derivation. The equation for \hat{E}_r is:

$$\hat{E}_r(z_i, t_j) = \hat{E}_r(z_{i+1}, t_{j-1}) + i\Delta z \hat{\kappa}_r \hat{E}_f(z_{i-1}, t_{j-1}) \quad (46)$$

While the equations share the same mathematical structure, the coupling coefficients $\hat{\kappa}_f$ and $\hat{\kappa}_r$ may differ depending on the physical properties of the grating. However, for our case, $\hat{\kappa}_f = \hat{\kappa}_r = \hat{\kappa}$.

Code

The full code corresponding to Milestone 3 can be found in Appendix under 7.5 Section E.

Now that the discretized, code-able modified TWM equations have been derived, they are implemented in MATLAB to verify that the derivations for position dependent grating and coupling of forward and reverse propagating waves at the grating boundaries is correctly implemented. The code used to represent Equations (45) and (46) and its validity can be found at lines 19-21, 74-76, 122, 123, 131, 132 174-199.

The various pieces of code are as follows:

```
kappa0 = 100;
kappaStart = 1/3;
kappaStop = 2/3;
```

These lines define the parameters for the coupling coefficient. `kappa0` specifies the coupling value, while `kappaStart` and `kappaStop` set the start and stop positions of the coupling region as fractions of the total waveguide length.

```
kappa = kappa0*ones(size(z));
kappa(z<L*kappaStart) = 0;
kappa(z>L*kappaStop) = 0;
```

The code above initializes an array with the same size as the waveguide for the coupling coefficient `kappa`. Each element of the array is assigned the value `kappa0`. The code then reassigns the values of `kappa` to zero outside the defined coupling region, determined by the positions `kappaStart` and `kappaStop`. This ensures that coupling occurs only within the specified section of the waveguide.

```
Ef(2:Nz) = fsync*exp_det(1:Nz-1).*Ef(1:Nz-1) + 1i*dz*kappa(2:Nz).*Er(2:Nz);
Er(1:Nz-1) = fsync*exp_det(2:Nz).*Er(2:Nz) + 1i*dz*kappa(1:Nz-1).*Ef(1:Nz-1);
```

This code extends the implementation from Milestone 2 by introducing the coupling term `kappa` as described in Equations (45) and (46). These terms model the interaction between the forward and backward propagating fields within the grating region. Additionally, it is important to note that the indexing of `kappa` must match the indexing of the forward or backward wave it affects; otherwise, the coupling will not be applied at the correct spatial points, leading to numerical inaccuracies and incorrect field evolution.

```
fftOutput2 = fftshift(fft(OutputL));
fftInput1 = fftshift(fft(InputL));
```

This code computes the Fourier Transform of the output signal `OutputL` and input signal `InputL` to obtain their frequency-domain representation.

```

subplot(3,2,2);
plot(omega, abs(fftOutputR));
hold on;
plot(omega, abs(fftOutputL));
plot(omega, abs(fftInputL));
hold off;
xlabel('Frequency (THz)');
ylabel('|E|');
xlim([-0.1e14, 0.1e14]);
legend('fftOutputR','fftOutputL','fftInputL');

subplot(3,2,4);
phase1 = unwrap(angle(fftOutputR));
phase2 = unwrap(angle(fftOutputL));
phase3 = unwrap(angle(fftInputL));
plot(omega, phase1);
hold on;
plot(omega, phase2);
plot(omega, phase3);
hold off;
xlabel('Frequency (THz)');
ylabel('Phase (E)');
xlim([-1.5e14, 1.5e14]);
legend('fftOutputR','fftOutputL','fftInputL');

```

This code plots the magnitude and phase of output signal `OutputL` and input signal `InputL` in the frequency domain, illustrating the effects of grating on Gaussian pulse.

Simulation Results

Plot of the time domain and frequency domain magnitude and phase passing through the grating

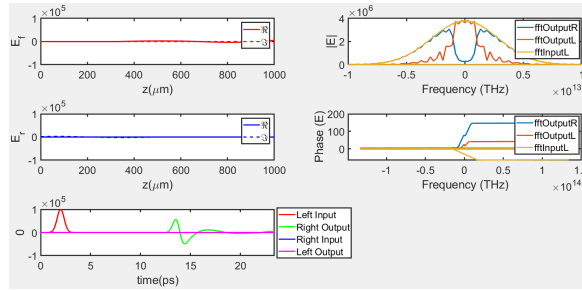


Figure 9: Mag. and phase of the pulse through a grating in time and freq. domains

Figure 9 (with E_{field} units as $V/\mu m$) shows the propagation of a Gaussian pulse through a grating region inside a waveguide. FFT is applied to the input pulse and the pulses at both the left and right outputs. Based on the magnitude versus frequency plot in Figure 9, the left output primarily contains low-frequency components, while the right output contains high-frequency components. This indicates that the grating region acts as a low-pass filter for the Gaussian pulse: high frequencies pass through the grating, whereas low frequencies are reflected at the grating boundary and propagate toward the left boundary.

In conclusion, Milestone 3 involved deriving a numerically implementable form of the travelling wave equation with a position-dependent grating, implementing the derived equations in MATLAB, and obtaining simulation results in the form of plots. The derivation and code were verified to be correct, as the simulation results behaved as intended and matched the expected outcomes.

5 Gain/Loss Dispersion (Milestone 4)

Milestone 4 builds upon the simple Travelling Wave Model (TWM) by introducing a frequency-dependent material response (gain/loss) into the waveguide. This response is modeled using the equations:

$$\frac{1}{v_g} \frac{\partial \hat{E}_f}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial \hat{E}_f}{\partial z} - i\hat{\beta}(N, S)\hat{E}_f - k_p(\hat{E}_f - \hat{P}_f(z)) \quad (47)$$

$$\frac{1}{v_g} \frac{\partial \hat{E}_r}{\partial t} = +\frac{\partial \hat{E}_r}{\partial z} - i\hat{\beta}(N, S)\hat{E}_r - k_p(\hat{E}_r - \hat{P}_r(z)) \quad (48)$$

Where N and S control β_r and β_i and the two new terms $k_p(\hat{E}_f - \hat{P}_f(z))$ and $k_p(\hat{E}_r - \hat{P}_r(z))$ model the material polarization through the equations for \hat{P}_f and \hat{P}_r . The equation for \hat{P}_f and \hat{P}_r are:

$$\frac{d\hat{P}_f}{dt} = i\omega'_0\hat{P}_f + \gamma(\hat{E}_f - \hat{P}_f), \quad (49)$$

$$\frac{d\hat{P}_r}{dt} = i\omega'_0\hat{P}_r + \gamma(\hat{E}_r - \hat{P}_r). \quad (50)$$

These equations represent a low-pass filter response to the exciting field, known as a Lorentzian response.

Additionally, a full derivation of the discretized forms of Equations (47) and (48) is unnecessary, as the discretized TWM equations from Milestone 2 (Equations (35) and (36)) can be reused. However, the new term $k_p (\hat{E}_f - \hat{P}_f(z))$ must be discretized for numerical implementation. This discretization can be performed using the trapezoidal rule for finite differences, with the derivation outlined as follows:

$$\frac{\hat{P}_f(z_i, t_j) - \hat{P}_f(z_i, t_{j-1})}{\Delta t} = 0.5 \left[f(\hat{P}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}), t_{j-1}) + f(\hat{P}_f(z_i, t_j), t_j) \right] \quad (51)$$

where

$$f(\hat{P}_f(z_i, t_j), t_j) = i\omega'_0 \hat{P}_f(z_i, t_j) + \gamma(\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_j) - \hat{P}_f(z_i, t_j)) \quad (52)$$

Substituting into the trapezoidal formula:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\hat{P}_f(z_i, t_j) - \hat{P}_f(z_i, t_{j-1})}{\Delta t} = 0.5 \left[i\omega'_0 \hat{P}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) + \gamma(\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) - \hat{P}_f(z_i, t_{j-1})) \right. \\ \left. + i\omega'_0 \hat{P}_f(z_i, t_j) + \gamma(\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_j) - \hat{P}_f(z_i, t_j)) \right] \quad (53) \end{aligned}$$

Expanding the right-hand side:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\hat{P}_f(z_i, t_j) - \hat{P}_f(z_i, t_{j-1})}{\Delta t} = 0.5 \left[(i\omega'_0 - \gamma) \hat{P}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) + \gamma \hat{E}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) \right. \\ \left. + (i\omega'_0 - \gamma) \hat{P}_f(z_i, t_j) + \gamma \hat{E}_f(z_i, t_j) \right] \quad (54) \end{aligned}$$

Rearranging:

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{P}_f(z_i, t_j) [1 - 0.5\Delta t(i\omega'_0 - \gamma)] = \hat{P}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) [1 + 0.5\Delta t(i\omega'_0 - \gamma)] \\ + 0.5\Delta t\gamma(\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) + \hat{E}_f(z_i, t_j)) \quad (55) \end{aligned}$$

Substituting $(i\omega'_0 - \gamma) = C\omega_0$:

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{P}_f(z_i, t_j) [1 - 0.5\Delta t(C\omega_0)] = \hat{P}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) [1 + 0.5\Delta t(C\omega_0)] \\ + 0.5\Delta t\gamma(\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) + \hat{E}_f(z_i, t_j)) \quad (56) \end{aligned}$$

Solve for $\hat{P}_f(z_i, t_j)$:

$$\hat{P}_f(z_i, t_j) = \frac{[1 + 0.5\Delta t(C\omega_0)] \hat{P}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) + 0.5\Delta t\gamma(\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) + \hat{E}_f(z_i, t_j))}{1 - 0.5\Delta t(C\omega_0)} \quad (57)$$

Expanding and rearranging the numerator:

$$[1 + 0.5\Delta t(C\omega_0)] \hat{P}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) = \hat{P}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) + 0.5\Delta t(C\omega_0) \hat{P}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) \quad (58)$$

Substituting back:

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{P}_f(z_i, t_j) &= \frac{\hat{P}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) + 0.5\Delta t(C\omega_0) \hat{P}_f(z_i, t_{j-1})}{1 - 0.5\Delta t(C\omega_0)} \\ &\quad + \frac{0.5\Delta t\gamma(\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) + \hat{E}_f(z_i, t_j))}{1 - 0.5\Delta t(C\omega_0)} \end{aligned} \quad (59)$$

Factoring out $0.5\Delta t$, we get:

$$\hat{P}_f(z_i, t_j) = \frac{\hat{P}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) + 0.5\Delta t[(C\omega_0) \hat{P}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) + \gamma(\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) + \hat{E}_f(z_i, t_j))]}{1 - 0.5\Delta t(C\omega_0)} \quad (60)$$

Define a new term T_f :

$$T_f = C\omega_0 \hat{P}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) + \gamma(\hat{E}_f(z_{i-1}, t_{j-1}) + \hat{E}_f(z_{i-1}, t_j)) \quad (61)$$

Hence, the equation becomes:

$$\hat{P}_f(z_i, t_j) = \frac{\hat{P}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) + 0.5\Delta t T_f}{1 - 0.5\Delta t C\omega_0} \quad (62)$$

Similarly, the same the trapezoidal finite difference derivation is done for \hat{P}_r from Equation (50) to obtain:

$$\hat{P}_r(z_i, t_j) = \frac{\hat{P}_r(z_i, t_{j-1}) + 0.5\Delta t[C\omega_0 \hat{P}_r(z_i, t_{j-1}) + \gamma(\hat{E}_r(z_{i+1}, t_{j-1}) + \hat{E}_r(z_{i+1}, t_j))]}{1 - 0.5\Delta t(C\omega_0)} \quad (63)$$

Where T_r is define as:

$$T_r = C\omega_0\hat{P}_r(z_i, t_{j-1}) + \gamma(\hat{E}_r(z_{i+1}, t_j) + \hat{E}_r(z_{i+1}, t_{j-1})) \quad (64)$$

Hence, the equation becomes:

$$\hat{P}_r(z_i, t_j) = \frac{\hat{P}_r(z_i, t_{j-1}) + 0.5\Delta t T_r}{1 - 0.5\Delta t C\omega_0} \quad (65)$$

The reasoning behind the indices of \hat{E}_f inside \hat{T}_f and \hat{E}_r inside \hat{T}_r comes from the derivation for \hat{E}_f and \hat{E}_r in Milestone 1.

Now that the code-able discretized TWM equations with dispersion terms have been derived, they need to be represented using some MATLAB code so they can be simulated to check for their validity.

Code

The full code corresponding to Milestone 4 can be found in Appendix under 7.6 Section F.

Now that the code-able discretized TWM equations with dispersion terms have been derived, they need to be represented using some MATLAB code so they can be simulated to check for their validity. The code used to represent Equations (61),(62) and (64),(65) and its validity can be found at lines 40-43, 89-92, 139-154, 224-227.

The various pieces of code are as follows:

```
% Material Polarization Information
g_fwhm = 3.5e+012/10;           % Frequency full width at half maximum
LGamma = g_fwhm * 2 * pi;       % Polarization decay rate
Lw0 = 0;                        % Resonance frequency offset
LGain = 0.01;                   % Gain constant
```

This piece of code above defines the various constants such as the frequency, polarization, offset, and gain. These parameters are used in functions within the main simulation loop to model the polarization and field interactions accurately.

```
Efp = Ef;
Erp = Er;
Pfp = Pf;
Prp = Pr;
```

This section creates four new variables **Efp**, **Erp**, **Pfp**, and **Prp** that store the current iteration's E_{field} and Polarization. These variables save present state of the system, allowing for calculations that depend on both current and previous time steps.

```
Pf(1) = 0;      % Zero polarization at left boundary
Pf(Nz) = 0;     % Zero polarization at right boundary
Pr(1) = 0;      % Zero polarization at right boundary
Pr(Nz) = 0;     % Zero polarization at left boundary

Cw0 = -LGamma + 1i * Lw0; % Complex response function of the material

% Dispersion calculations
Tf = LGamma * Ef(1:Nz-2) + Cw0 * Pfp(2:Nz-1) + LGamma * Efp(1:Nz-2);
Pf(2:Nz-1) = (Pfp(2:Nz-1) + 0.5 * dt * Tf) ./ (1 - 0.5 * dt * Cw0);

Tr = LGamma * Er(3:Nz) + Cw0 * Prp(2:Nz-1) + LGamma * Erp(3:Nz);
Pr(2:Nz-1) = (Prp(2:Nz-1) + 0.5 * dt * Tr) ./ (1 - 0.5 * dt * Cw0);

Ef(2:Nz-1) = Ef(2:Nz-1) - LGain * (Ef(2:Nz-1) - Pf(2:Nz-1));
Er(2:Nz-1) = Er(2:Nz-1) - LGain * (Er(2:Nz-1) - Pr(2:Nz-1));
```

The above code performs several critical operations. Lines 1–4 set the boundary conditions for the polarization fields. Specifically, **Pf** (forward polarization field) is set to zero at the left and right boundaries, while **Pr** (backward polarization field) is set to zero at the right and left boundaries, ensuring no polarization exists at the domain edges. Lines 9–10 perform dispersion calculations for the forward polarization field **Pf**, corresponding to equations (49) (or (61), (62)), whereas lines 12–13 calculate the backward polarization field **Pr**, which corresponds to equations (50) (or (64), (65)). The updated **Pr** and **Pf** values use previous polarization values from **Pfp** and **Prp**. Lastly, lines 16 and 17 update the forward and backward electric fields **Ef** and **Er** by adding the newly calculated polarization fields **Pf** and **Pr**. These updates correspond to equations (47) and (48), ensuring the electric fields account for polarization effects and completing the coupled field-polarization calculations

```
% Update previous values for next iteration
Efp = Ef;
Erp = Er;
Pfp = Pf;
Prp = Pr;
```

Although this section of the code may seem repetitive, it is important for updating the previous iteration's values with the current iteration's values, allowing the next time step to use the most recent data.

Simulation

Plot of the time domain and frequency domain magnitude and phase of a pulse at the beginning and end

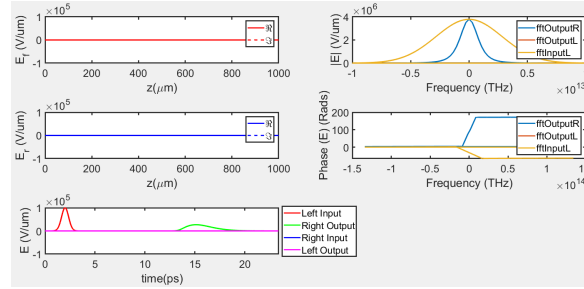


Figure 10: Magnitude and phase of a polarized Gaussian pulse propagating through the waveguide in the time and frequency domains

Figure 10 represents the simulation of a polarized Gaussian pulse propagating through the waveguide. We can see from the E_{field} -vs-time plot that when the input it detected, it has a certain shape, but when it is detected at the right output, its magnitude is much lower whereas the pulse is much wider. We can see this phenomenon in the frequency domain, where the width of the pulse at the right output is far less than that of the input pulse. This makes sense because as a pulse widens in time domain, its width decreases in frequency domain, as seen in Figure 10.

Plot of the time domain and frequency domain magnitude and phase of a pulse at the beginning and end with gratings added

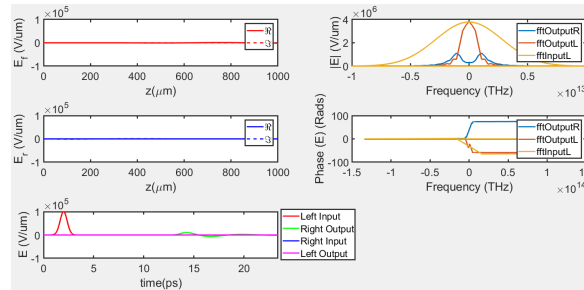


Figure 11: Mag. and phase of a Gauss. pulse passing through grating in the time and freq. domains

Figure 11 represents a similar simulation as done in Figure 10, except there is a grating region inside the waveguide. In this simulation, the input Gaussian pulse not only decreases over time due to polarization, it also gets affected by the grating region. We can see this more clearly in the frequency domain plots, where the grating filters a small band of low frequency components, whereas the only a thin of slightly higher frequencies with highly attenuated magnitude are allowed to pass.

In conclusion, Milestone 4 involved deriving a numerically implementable form of the travelling wave equation with polarization, implementing the derived equations in MATLAB, and obtaining simulation results in the form of plots. The derivation and code were verified to be correct, as the simulation results behaved as intended and matched the expected outcomes.

6 Passive Device Exploration (Milestone 5)

Milestone 5 focuses on finding a solution to a problem by designing an experiment that uses the available physical parameters of the waveguide and the Gaussian pulse. The objective is to understand how varying these parameters affects the numerical solution.

The topic under investigation is the implementation of polarization for gain/loss dispersion. This is explored by varying the parameters ω_0 and γ , and by replacing the polarization code for P_r and P_f with a version derived from a Backward Euler finite difference scheme.

Part A

Investigation of ω_0 Variation

First, we assume that the derivations and code from Milestone 4 are accurate and free of critical errors. Under this assumption, ω_0 will be varied and the results compared with those from Milestone 4 to analyze its effect on pulse propagation.

In Milestone 4, an ω_0 value of 0 was used, meaning ω_0 did not influence wave propagation. In this milestone, ω_0 is varied across four values: 100 MHz, 10 GHz, 1 THz, and 100 THz. These values were chosen to observe a clear trend in how ω_0 affects wave propagation.

Before delving into the simulations, it is useful to examine the effect from an analytical perspective. According to equation (56), ω_0 is related to C_{ω_0} , a term in the polarization equations. When $\omega_0 = 0$, C_{ω_0} is purely real. By setting $\omega_0 \neq 0$, an

imaginary component is introduced, making C_{ω_0} complex. Mathematically, adding an imaginary component increases the complexity of the expression, which should manifest in the system's behavior.

Plot for $\omega_0 = 100$ MHz

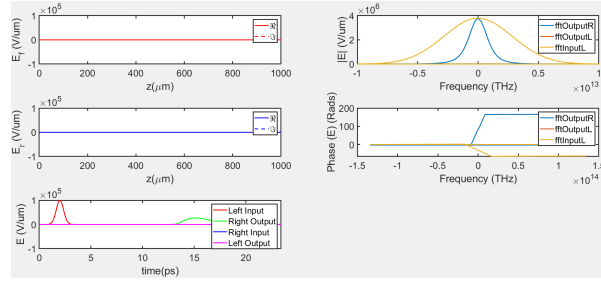


Figure 12: Frequency domain response of the Gaussian pulse for $\omega_0 = 100$ MHz

Figure 12 shows the frequency domain response of the system for $\omega_0 = 100$ MHz. It is the same as what we got in Milestone 4, meaning that for this value of $\omega_0 = 100$, there is no significant effect on the system.

Plot for $\omega_0 = 10$ GHz

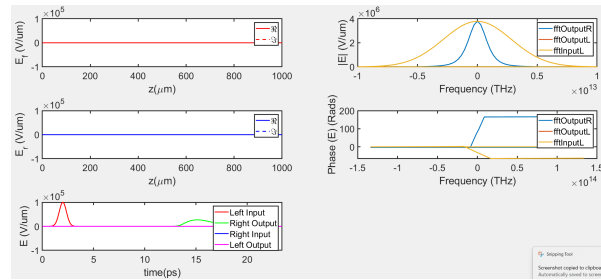


Figure 13: Frequency domain response of the Gaussian pulse for $\omega_0 = 10$ GHz

Figure 13 shows the frequency domain response of the system for $\omega_0 = 10$ GHz. It is the same as what we got in Milestone 4, meaning that for this value of $\omega_0 = 100$, there is no significant effect on the system.

Plot for $\omega_0 = 1$ THz

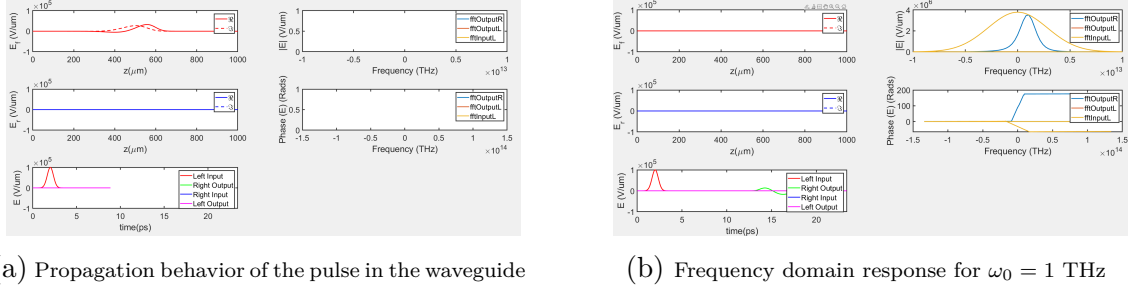


Figure 14: Pulse propagation and frequency response for $\omega_0 = 1$ THz

Figure 14 shows the Gaussian pulse's propagation and frequency response for $\omega_0 = 1$ THz. In (a), the pulse appears to undergo detuning or modulation during propagation along the z -direction. This is confirmed by the frequency domain response in (b), which shows a rightward shift in the magnitude vs. frequency plot, indicating modulation of the pulse.

Plot for $\omega_0 = 100$ THz

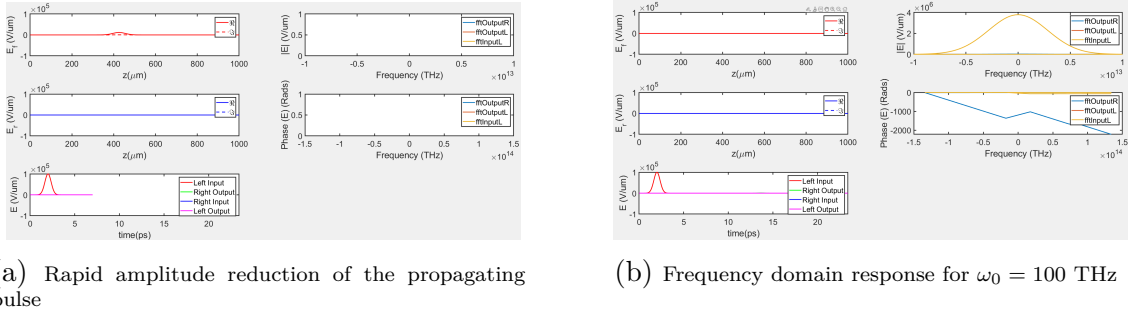


Figure 15: Pulse propagation and frequency response for $\omega_0 = 100$ THz

Figure 15 shows the Gaussian pulse's response for $\omega_0 = 100$ THz. In (a), the amplitude of the propagating pulse quickly diminishes to nearly zero, indicating complete dispersion before reaching the waveguide's right boundary. This is further confirmed in (b), where the magnitude vs. frequency plot shows no detectable signal at the right output.

Analysis of ω_0 Variation

The results demonstrate how ω_0 influences pulse propagation. At lower frequencies (100 MHz and 10 GHz), the behavior resembles the dispersion observed in Milestone 4: the pulse broadens in the time domain while narrowing in the frequency domain. At 1 THz, de-tuning and high-frequency modulation effects emerge, with a noticeable shift in the frequency response. By 100 THz, the pulse is completely attenuated, indicating full energy dispersion before it reaches the waveguide's end. This allows us to draw a very strong conclusion that if we want to ensure that the phenomenon of dispersion doesn't disperse the input pulse, the frequency of ω_0 must be below a set threshold, which for us lies between 10 GHz and 1 THz, although probably closer to 10 GHz.

Investigation of γ Variation

A similar approach is applied to γ to explore its effect on pulse propagation. From equation (56), γ corresponds to the real part of C_{ω_0} and appears throughout the T_f and T_r equations, suggesting that even small variations can significantly affect the system. To test this hypothesis, the system will be simulated for multiple γ values to identify trends in pulse propagation. Additionally, it is important to note that the ω_0 value has been reset to 0.

The plot when gamma's term g_{fwhm} is set to 3.5 GHz

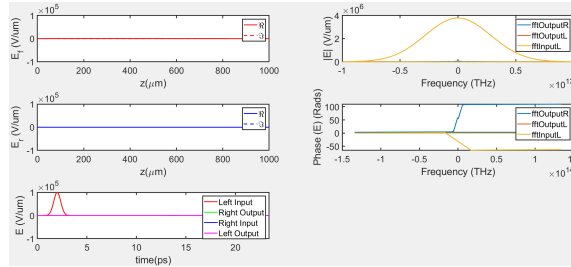


Figure 16: Magnitude and phase of a polarized Gaussian pulse with gamma being 3.5 GHz propagating through the waveguide in the time and frequency domains

Figure 16 shows the time evolution of a polarized Gaussian pulse, where its amplitude is completely attenuated before it is detected at the right boundary.

The plot when gamma's term g_{fwhm} is set to 35 GHz

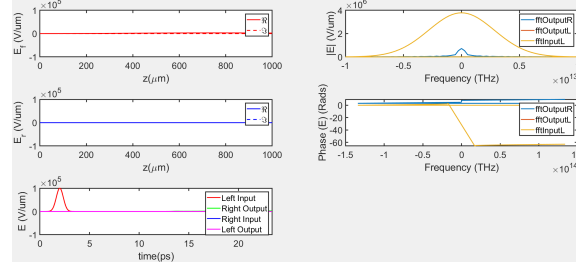


Figure 17: Magnitude and phase of a polarized Gaussian pulse with gamma being 35 GHz propagating through the waveguide in the time and frequency domains

Figure 17 shows the time evolution of a polarized Gaussian pulse, where its amplitude is mostly attenuated by the time it reaches the end of the waveguide. From the magnitude vs. frequency plot, the heavily attenuated low-frequency components can be observed at the output.

The plot when gamma's term g_{fwhm} is set to 3.5 THz

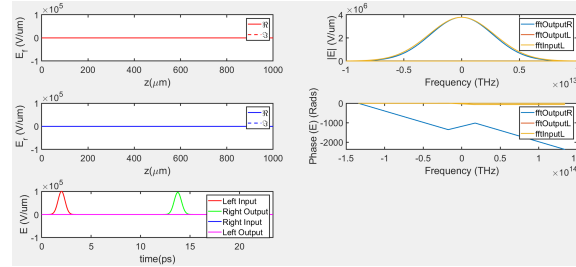


Figure 18: Magnitude and phase of a polarized Gaussian pulse with gamma being 3.5 THz propagating through the waveguide in the time and frequency domains

Figure 18 shows the time evolution of a polarized Gaussian pulse. The magnitude vs. frequency and field detection plots indicate that there is almost no attenuation of the input signal. Both plots show that the detected pulse maintains most of its amplitude.

The plot when gamma's term g_{fwhm} is set to 35 THz

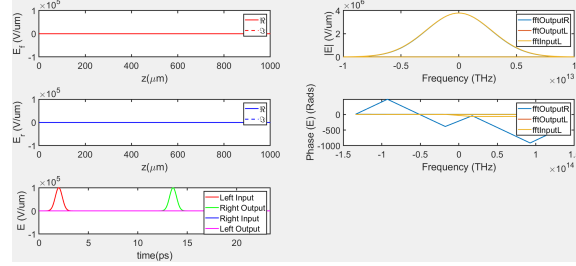


Figure 19: Magnitude and phase of a polarized Gaussian pulse with gamma being 35 THz propagating through the waveguide in the time and frequency domains

Figure Figure 19 shows the time evolution of a polarized Gaussian pulse, where it can be inferred from the magnitude vs frequency and the field detection plot that basically no attenuation happened to the input signal as it propagated down the waveguide. Both those plots show that the pulse that was detected maintains the same amplitude at the beginning and end of its lifespan.

Analysis of γ Variation

This section involves simulating the system for four different values of γ to identify trends in the behavior of the polarized Gaussian pulse. The simulations revealed a clear trend. At $\gamma = 3.5$ GHz, the propagating Gaussian pulse was fully attenuated before reaching the end of the waveguide. When γ was increased to 35 GHz, a similar phenomenon was observed; however, some highly attenuated low-frequency components were detected at the right output of the waveguide. This indicates that a γ of 35 GHz caused slightly less attenuation compared to the case with $\gamma = 3.5$ GHz. Further evidence supporting this trend was observed at $\gamma = 3.5$ THz. As the Gaussian pulse propagated through the waveguide, it experienced almost no attenuation. This was confirmed by the magnitude versus frequency plot, where the Fast Fourier Transform (FFT) curves for the input and the pulse detected at the right boundary were nearly identical. Finally, the response for $\gamma = 35$ THz reinforced the trend that increasing the frequency of γ reduces the attenuation caused by dispersion. At sufficiently high frequencies, γ effectively counteracts the dispersion phenomenon. The parameter γ is thus a significant numerical and physical quantity, playing a crucial role in controlling the attenuation and dispersion behavior of the propagating Gaussian pulse.

Part B

This part of Milestone 5 deals with re-deriving Equations (49) and (50) using the Backward Euler finite difference scheme. The derivation is as follows:

$$\frac{\hat{P}_f(z_i, t_j) - \hat{P}_f(z_i, t_{j-1})}{\Delta t} = f(\hat{P}_f(z_i, t_j), t_j) \quad (66)$$

where

$$f(\hat{P}_f(z_i, t_j), t_j) = i\omega'_0 \hat{P}_f(z_i, t_j) + \gamma(\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_j) - \hat{P}_f(z_i, t_j)) \quad (67)$$

Substituting into the Backward Euler formula:

$$\frac{\hat{P}_f(z_i, t_j) - \hat{P}_f(z_i, t_{j-1})}{\Delta t} = i\omega'_0 \hat{P}_f(z_i, t_j) + \gamma(\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_j) - \hat{P}_f(z_i, t_j)) \quad (68)$$

Expanding and rearranging terms:

$$\hat{P}_f(z_i, t_j) - \hat{P}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) = \Delta t[(i\omega'_0 - \gamma)\hat{P}_f(z_i, t_j) + \gamma\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_j)] \quad (69)$$

Rearranging to isolate $\hat{P}_f(z_i, t_j)$:

$$\hat{P}_f(z_i, t_j)[1 - \Delta t(i\omega'_0 - \gamma)] = \hat{P}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) + \Delta t\gamma\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_j) \quad (70)$$

Solving for $\hat{P}_f(z_i, t_j)$:

$$\hat{P}_f(z_i, t_j) = \frac{\hat{P}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) + \Delta t\gamma\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_j)}{1 - \Delta t(i\omega'_0 - \gamma)} \quad (71)$$

Substituting the same constant from Equation (56), we get:

$$\hat{P}_f(z_i, t_j) = \frac{\hat{P}_f(z_i, t_{j-1}) + \Delta t\gamma\hat{E}_f(z_i, t_{j-1})}{1 - \Delta tC_{w_0}} \quad (72)$$

Similarly, for the backward wave polarization \hat{P}_r , applying the same Backward Euler discretization derives to :

$$\hat{P}_r(z_i, t_j) = \frac{\hat{P}_r(z_{i+1}, t_{j-1}) + \Delta t\gamma\hat{E}_r(z_{i+1}, t_{j-1})}{1 - \Delta tC_{w_0}} \quad (73)$$

Code

Based on the discrete equations derived in (72) and (73), MATLAB code was built to simulate the equations properly. Full code can be found in Section 7.7. The code is as follows:

```
% Dispersion Calculations
% Backward Euler Polarization Update
% Forward polarization
Tf = LGamma * Efp(2:Nz-1); % Source term for forward polarization
Pf(2:Nz-1) = (Pfp(2:Nz-1) + dt * Tf) ./ (1 - dt * Cw0); % Fwd polarization

% Backward polarization
Tr = LGamma * Erp(2:Nz-1); % Source term for backward polarization
Pr(2:Nz-1) = (Prp(2:Nz-1) + dt * Tr) ./ (1 - dt * Cw0); % Bwd polarization
```

Simulation

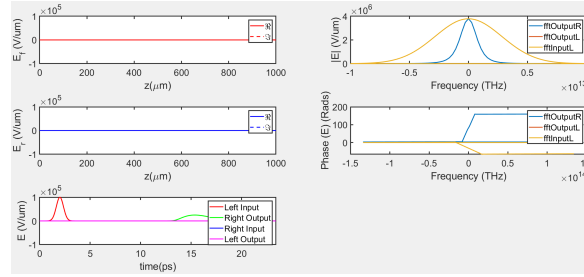


Figure 20: The effect of dispersion on a normal Gaussian pulse propagating through the waveguide

From Figure 20, we can see that the response of the magnitude vs frequency plot is the same as the one in Milestone 4, this means that the derivation and the code modeling the derivation was correct. This also tells us that the trapezoidal rule and the backward Euler both work for this kind of derivation, meaning there are more than one way to solve a problem.

7 Appendix: Code Listings

7.1 Section A: Source Function

```
1 function E = SourceFct(t, InputParas)
2 % SourceFct computes a source signal E based on the input time t and parameters.
3 %
4 % There are two ways the function works:
5 % 1. If InputParas has a 'rep' field, the time t is adjusted so that it
6 % always falls within one period of the repetition.
7 % 2. If InputParas is a structure, the function calculates E as a
8 % Gaussian envelope / pulse modulated by a complex exponential. Otherwise,
9 % If InputParas is not a structure (for example, if it's already a
10 % precomputed numeric signal), the function simply assigns it to E and returns it
11
12 % Check if the parameters include a repetition period ('rep')
13 if isfield(InputParas, 'rep')
14     % Calculate the number of full periods that fit into time t
15     n = floor(t / InputParas.rep);
16     % Subtract the full periods from t, so t is now within one period
17     t = t - n * InputParas.rep;
18 end
19
20 % If InputParas is not a structure, assume it directly represents the signal E itself
21 if ~isstruct(InputParas)
22     E = InputParas;
23 else
24     % If InputParas is a structure, calculate the signal E using parameters from that structure:
25     % E0 - Amplitude of the signal (scaling factor)
26     % t0 - Center (in time) of the Gaussian envelope / pulse
27     % wg - Width of the Gaussian envelope / pulse
28     % we - Angular frequency of the oscillation (how fast it oscillates)
29     % phi - Phase offset of the oscillation
30     %
31     % The computed signal E is the product of:
32     % - A Gaussian envelope/function : exp(-((t-t0)^2 / wg^2))
33     % - A complex oscillation: exp(1i*(we*t + phi))
34     E = InputParas.E0 * exp(-(t - InputParas.t0)^2 / InputParas.wg^2) ...
35         * exp(1i * (InputParas.we * t + InputParas.phi));
36 end
37
38 end
```

Listing 1: MATLAB code for the input source, common to all milestones

7.2 Section B: Milestone 1 – TWM Simulation with Reflections

```
1 set(0, 'defaultaxesfontsize', 20)
2 set(0, 'DefaultFigureWindowStyle', 'docked')
3 set(0, 'DefaultLineLineWidth', 2);
4 set(0, 'DefaultAxesLineWidth', 2)
5
6 set(0, 'DefaultFigureWindowStyle', 'docked')
7
8
9 c_c = 299792458; % m/s TWM speed of light
10 c_eps_0 = 8.8542149e-12; % F/m vacuum permittivity
11 c_eps_0_cm = c_eps_0/100; % F/cm vacuum permittivity
12 c_mu_0 = 1/c_eps_0/c_c^2; % Permiability of free space
13 c_q = 1.60217653e-19; % Charge of an electron
14 c_hb = 1.05457266913e-34; % Dirac / Reduced Planck constant
15 c_h = c_hb*2*pi; % Planck constant
16
17 InputParasL.E0 = 1e5; % Amplitude of the input E-field / E_f
18 InputParasL.we = 0; % Frequency of the complex sinusoidal modulation on the gaussian pulse
19 InputParasL.t0 = 2e-12; % The constant we are shifting the time by
```

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20 InputParasL.wg = 5e-13;           % Width of the Gaussian distribution
21 InputParasL.phi = 0;             % Initial Phase of the E_f / input E-field
22 InputParasR = 0;                 % Placeholder variable for reverse propagation
23
24 n_g = 3.5;                       % Constant to control group velocity
25 vg = c_c/n_g *1e2;              % THM cm/s group velocity
26 Lambda = 1550e-9;               % Wavelength of light
27
28 plotN = 50;                      % Divisior constant
29
30 L = 1000e-6*1e2;                 % length of the waveguide in cm
31 XL = [0,L];                     % Start and End of the x-axis
32 YL = [0,InputParasL.E0];        % Start and End of the y-axis
33
34 Nz = 500;                       % Number of spatial points
35 dz = L/(Nz-1);                  % Distance between every point
36 dt = dz/vg;                     % Time step to plot every point
37 fsync = dt*vg/dz;               % Equals 1, allows the Gaussian to be stable
38
39 Nt = floor(2*Nz);                % Number of time steps
40 tmax = Nt*dt;                   % Maximum time for simulation
41 t_L = dt*Nz;                    % Time for the wave to travel the entire waveguide length (s)
42
43 z = linspace(0,L,Nz).';         % Spatial grid from 0 to L with Nz points
44 time = nan(1,Nt);               % Time matrix with 1 row and Nt columns / row vector of Nt elements
45 InputL = nan(1,Nt);             % Matrix with 1 row and Nt columns / row vector of Nt elements
46 InputR = nan(1, Nt);            % Matrix with 1 row and Nt columns / row vector of Nt elements
47 OutputL = nan(1,Nt);            % Matrix with 1 row and Nt columns / row vector of Nt elements
48 OutputR = nan(1,Nt);            % Matrix with 1 row and Nt columns / row vector of Nt elements
49
50 Ef = zeros(size(z));            % Forward field along the waveguide (initialized to 0)
51 Er = zeros(size(z));            % Backward field along the waveguide (initialized to 0)
52
53 Ef1 = @SourceFct;               % Handle to the source function for forward input
54 ErN = @SourceFct;               % Handle to the source function for backward input
55
56 t = 0;                          % Set t to a starting value of 0
57 time(1) = t;                    % Sets the first element of the time vector to 0
58
59 InputL(1) = Ef1(t, InputParasL); % Set initial value of InputL using the source function
60 InputR(1) = ErN(t, InputParasR); % Set initial value of InputR using the source function
61
62 OutputR(1) = Ef(Nz);            % Initial right output field (at the end of the waveguide)
63 OutputL(1) = Er(1);             % Initial left output field (at the start of the waveguide)
64
65 Ef(1) = InputL(1);              % Initializes forward field at z = 0 (Input signal from the left)
66 Er(Nz) = InputR(1);             % Initializes backward field at z = L (Input signal from the right)
67
68 figure('name', 'Fields')
69 subplot(3,1,1)
70 plot(z*1000, real(Ef), 'r');
71 hold off
72 xlabel('z (\mum)')
73 ylabel('E_f')
74 subplot(3,1,2)
75 plot(z*1000, real(Er), 'b');
76 xlabel('z (\mum)')
77 ylabel('E_r')
78 hold off
79 subplot(3,1,3)
80 plot(time*1e12, real(InputL), 'r'); hold on
81 plot(time*1e12, real(OutputR), 'r--');
82 plot(time*1e12, real(InputR), 'b'); hold on
83 plot(time*1e12, real(OutputL), 'b--');
84 xlabel('time(ps)')
85 ylabel('E')
86
87 hold off
88
89 for i = 2:Nt                    % 2 to 1000 in steps of 1
90     t = dt*(i-1);              % Update time
91     time(i) = t;               % Record current time
92
93     RL = 0.9i;                 % The left side reflection coefficient
94     RR = 0.9i;                 % The right side reflection coefficient
95
96     % Input fields at current time step
97     InputL(i) = Ef1(t, InputParasL); % At t, we input a signal characterized by InputParasL from the left

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98     InputR(i) = ErN(t, 0); % At t, we input no signal from the right (since InputParasR = 0)
99
100    % Boundary conditions with reflections
101    Ef(1) = InputL(i) + RL*Er(1); % Boundary condition at z = 0 (left side);
102    Er(Nz) = InputR(i) + RR*Ef(Nz); % Boundary condition at z = L (right side);
103
104    % Wave propagation using upwind FD method
105    Ef(2:Nz) = fsync * Ef(1:Nz-1); % Forward field propagation from left to right
106    Er(1:Nz-1) = fsync * Er(2:Nz); % Backward field propagation from right to left
107
108    % Output fields recorded at boundaries
109    OutputR(i) = Ef(Nz) * (1 - RR); % Right output at z = L (compensated for reflection)
110    OutputL(i) = Er(1) * (1 - RL); % Left output z = 0 (compensated for reflection)
111
112    if mod(i,plotN) == 0 % Only executed when i is multiple of plotN
113
114        % Forward Propagation of the Gaussian Pulse
115        subplot(3,1,1)
116        plot(z*10000,real(Ef),'r'); hold on
117        plot(z*10000,imag(Ef),'r--'); hold off
118        xlim(XL*1e4)
119        ylim(YL)
120        xlabel('z (\mum)')
121        ylabel('E_f')
122        legend('\Re','\Im')
123        hold off
124
125        % Reverse (Reflection) of the Gaussian Pulse
126        subplot(3,1,2)
127        plot(z*10000, real(Er), 'b'); hold on
128        plot(z*10000, imag(Er), 'b--'); hold off
129        xlim(XL*1e4)
130        ylim(YL)
131        xlabel('z (\mum)')
132        ylabel('E_r')
133        legend('\Re', '\Im')
134
135        hold off
136
137        % Plot showing when the time when the input and output pulse were detected
138        subplot(3,1,3);
139        plot(time*1e12, real(InputL), 'r'); hold on
140        plot(time*1e12, real(OutputR), 'g');
141        plot(time*1e12, real(InputR), 'b');
142        plot(time*1e12, real(OutputL), 'm');
143        xlim([0, Nt*dt*1e12])
144        ylim(YL)
145        xlabel('time(ps)')
146        ylabel('0')
147        legend('Left Input', 'Right Output', 'Right Input', 'Left Output' ...
148            , 'Location', 'east')
149        hold off
150        pause(0.01)
151    end
152 end

```

Listing 2: MATLAB code for TWM simulation with reflections

7.3 Section C: Wspace Function

```

1 function w = wspace(t, nt)
2
3 % This function constructs a linearly-spaced vector of angular
4 % frequencies that correspond to the points in an FFT spectrum.
5 % The second half of the vector is aliased to negative frequencies.
6 %
7 % USAGE
8 % w = wspace(tv);
9 % w = wspace(t, nt);
10 %
11 % INPUT
12 % tv - vector of linearly-spaced time values

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13 % t - scalar representing the periodicity of the time sequence
14 % nt - Number of points in time sequence
15 % (should only be provided if first argument is scalar)
16 %
17 % OUTPUT
18 % w - vector of angular frequencies
19 %
20 % EXAMPLE
21 % t = linspace(-10,10,2048)'; % set up time vector
22 % x = exp(-t.^2); % construct time sequence
23 % w = wspace(t); % construct w vector
24 % Xhat = fft(x); % calculate spectrum
25 % plot(w, abs(Xhat)) % plot spectrum
26 %
27 % AUTHOR: Thomas E. Murphy (tem@umd.edu)
28
29 if (nargin < 2)
30     nt = length(t);
31     dt = t(2) - t(1);
32     t = t(nt) - t(1) + dt;
33 end
34
35 if (nargin == 2)
36     dt = t / nt;
37 end
38
39 w = 2 * pi * (0:nt-1) / t;
40 kv = find(w >= pi / dt);
41 w(kv) = w(kv) - 2 * pi / dt;

```

Listing 3: MATLAB code for wspace function to compute frequency space

7.4 Section D: Milestone 2 – TWM Simulation with Static Gain, Detuning, and Frequency Domain

```

1 set(0,'defaultaxesfontsize',20)
2 set(0,'DefaultFigureWindowStyle','docked')
3 set(0,'DefaultLineLineWidth',2);
4 set(0,'Defaultaxeslinewidth',2)
5
6 set(0,'DefaultFigureWindowStyle','docked')
7
8
9 c_c = 299792458; % m/s TWM speed of light
10 c_eps_0 = 8.8542149e-12; % F/m vaccum permittivity
11 c_eps_0_cm = c_eps_0/100; % F/cm vaccum permittivity
12 c_mu_0 = 1/c_eps_0/c_c^2; % Permiability of free space
13 c_q = 1.60217653e-19; % Charge of an election
14 c_hb = 1.05457266913e-34; % Dirac / Reduced Planck constant
15 c_h = c_hb*2*pi; % Planck constant
16
17 beta_r = 80; % Pulse De-tuning Constant
18 beta_i = 8; % Pulse Gain Constant
19
20 InputParasL.E0 = 1e5; % Amplitude of the input E-field / E_f
21 InputParasL.we = 0; % Frequency of the complex sinusoidal modulation on the gaussian pulse
22 InputParasL.t0 = 2e-12; % The constant we are shifting the time by
23 InputParasL.wg = 5e-13; % Width of the Gaussian distribution
24 InputParasL.phi = 0; % Initial Phase of the E_f / input E-field
25 InputParasR = 0; % Placeholder variable for reverse propagation
26
27 n_g = 3.5; % Constant to control group velocity
28 vg = c_c/n_g *1e2; % TWM cm/s group velocity
29 Lambda = 1550e-9; % Wavelength of light
30
31 plotN = 50; % Divisor constant
32
33 L = 1000e-6*1e2; % length of the waveguide in cm
34 XL = [0,L]; % Start and End of the x-axis
35 YL = [0,InputParasL.E0]; % Start and End of the y-axis
36

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37 Nz = 500; % Number of spatial points
38 dz = L/(Nz-1); % Distance between every point
39 dt = dz/vg; % Time step to plot every point
40 fsync = dt*vg/dz; % Equals 1, allows the Gaussian to be stable
41
42 Nt = floor(2*Nz); % Number of time steps
43 tmax = Nt*dt; % Maximum time for simulation
44 t_L = dt*Nz; % Time for the wave to travel the entire waveguide length (s)
45
46 z = linspace(0,L,Nz).'; % Spatial grid from 0 to L with Nz points
47 time = nan(1,Nt); % Time matrix with 1 row and Nt columns / row vector of Nt elements
48 InputL = nan(1,Nt); % Matrix with 1 row and Nt columns / row vector of Nt elements
49 InputR = nan(1, Nt); % Matrix with 1 row and Nt columns / row vector of Nt elements
50 OutputL = nan(1,Nt); % Matrix with 1 row and Nt columns / row vector of Nt elements
51 OutputR = nan(1,Nt); % Matrix with 1 row and Nt columns / row vector of Nt elements
52
53 Ef = zeros(size(z)); % Forward field along the waveguide (initialized to 0)
54 Er = zeros(size(z)); % Backward field along the waveguide (initialized to 0)
55
56 Ef1 = @SourceFct; % Handle to the source function for forward input
57 ErN = @SourceFct; % Handle to the source function for backward input
58
59 t = 0; % Set t to a starting value of 0
60 time(1) = t; % Sets the first element of the time vector to 0
61
62 InputL(1) = Ef1(t, InputParasL); % Set initial value of InputL using the source function
63 InputR(1) = ErN(t, InputParasR); % Set initial value of InputR using the source function
64
65 OutputR(1) = Ef(Nz); % Initial right output field (at the end of the waveguide)
66 OutputL(1) = Er(1); % Initial left output field (at the start of the waveguide)
67
68 Ef(1) = InputL(1); % Initializes forward field at z = 0 (Input signal from the left)
69 Er(Nz) = InputR(1); % Initializes backward field at z = L (Input signal from the right)
70
71 figure('name', 'Fields')
72 subplot(3,1,1)
73 plot(z*1000, real(Ef), 'r');
74 hold off
75 xlabel('z(\mum)')
76 ylabel('E_f')
77 subplot(3,1,2)
78 plot(z*1000, real(Er), 'b');
79 xlabel('z(\mum)')
80 ylabel('E_r')
81 hold off
82 subplot(3,1,3)
83 plot(time*1e12, real(InputL), 'r'); hold on
84 plot(time*1e12, real(OutputR), 'r--');
85 plot(time*1e12, real(InputR), 'b'); hold on
86 plot(time*1e12, real(OutputL), 'b--');
87 xlabel('time(ps)')
88 ylabel('E')
89
90 hold off
91
92 for i = 2:Nt % 2 to 1000 in steps of 1
93     t = dt*(i-1); % Update time
94     time(i) = t; % Record current time
95
96     RL = 0.9i; % The left side reflection coefficient
97     RR = 0.9i; % The right side reflection coefficient
98
99     beta = ones(size(z))*(beta_r+1i*beta_i); % Complex propagation constant
100     exp_det = exp(-1i*dz*beta); % Phase shift due to propagation over a distance dz
101
102     % Input fields at current time step
103     InputL(i) = Ef1(t, InputParasL); % At t, we input a signal characterized by InputParasL from the left
104     InputR(i) = ErN(t, 0); % At t, we input no signal from the right (since InputParasR = 0)
105
106     % Boundary conditions with reflections
107     Ef(1) = InputL(i) + RL*Er(1); % Boundary condition at z = 0 (left side);
108     Er(Nz) = InputR(i) + RR*Ef(Nz); % Boundary condition at z = L (right side);
109
110     % Wave propagation using upwind FD method and quasi-static solution
111     Ef(2:Nz) = fsync*exp_det(1:Nz-1).*Ef(1:Nz-1); % Forward field propagation from left to right
112     Er(1:Nz-1) = fsync*exp_det(2:Nz).*Er(2:Nz); % Backward field propagation from right to left
113
114     % Output fields recorded at boundaries

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115 OutputR(i) = Ef(Nz) * (1 - RR);           % Right output at z = L (compensated for reflection)
116 OutputL(i) = Er(1) * (1 - RL);           % Left output z = 0 (compensated for reflection)
117
118 % FFT data from the outputs
119 fftOutput = fftshift(fft(OutputR));        % Get FFT data for OutputR
120 omega = fftshift(wspace(time));
121
122 if mod(i,plotN) == 0                      % Only executed when i is multiple of plotN
123
124     % Forward Propagation of the Gaussian Pulse
125     subplot(3,1,1)
126     plot(z*10000,real(Ef),'r'); hold on
127     plot(z*10000,imag(Ef),'r--'); hold off
128     xlim(XL*1e4)
129     ylim(YL)
130     xlabel('z(\mum)')
131     ylabel('E_f')
132     legend('\Re','\Im')
133     hold off
134
135     % Reverse (Reflection) of the Gaussian Pulse
136     subplot(3,1,2)
137     plot(z*10000, real(Er), 'b'); hold on
138     plot(z*10000, imag(Er), 'b--'); hold off
139     xlim(XL*1e4)
140     ylim(YL)
141     xlabel('z(\mum)')
142     ylabel('E_r')
143     legend('\Re', '\Im')
144
145     hold off
146
147     % Plot showing when the time when the input and output pulse were detected
148     subplot(3,1,3);
149     plot(time*1e12, real(InputL), 'r'); hold on
150     plot(time*1e12, real(OutputR), 'g');
151     plot(time*1e12, real(InputR), 'b');
152     plot(time*1e12, real(OutputL), 'm');
153     xlim([0, Nt*dt*1e12])
154     ylim(YL)
155     xlabel('time(ps)')
156     ylabel('0')
157     legend('Left Input', 'Right Output', 'Right Input', 'Left Output' ...
158           , 'Location', 'east')
159     hold off
160
161     % Plot the spectral content of the Gaussian (or Gaussian Modulated) Pulse
162     subplot(3,2,2);
163     plot(omega, abs(fftOutput));
164     xlabel('Frequency (THz)');
165     ylabel('|E|');
166     xlim([-1.5e14, 1.5e14]);
167
168     % Plot the Phase of the Gaussian (or Gaussian Modulated) Pulse
169     subplot(3,2,4);
170     phase = unwrap(angle(fftOutput)); % Unwrap the phase
171     plot(omega, phase);
172     xlabel('Frequency (THz)');
173     ylabel('Phase (E)');
174     xlim([-1.5e14, 1.5e14]);
175
176     pause(0.01)
177 end
178 end

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Listing 4: MATLAB code for TWM simulation with with Static Gain, Detuning, and Frequency Domain

7.5 Section E: Milestone 3 – Gratings and the use of $\hat{\kappa}$

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1 set(0,'defaultaxesfontsize',20)

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2 set(0,'DefaultFigureWindowStyle','docked')
3 set(0,'DefaultLineLineWidth',2);
4 set(0,'DefaultAxesLineWidth',2)
5
6 set(0,'DefaultFigureWindowStyle','docked')
7
8 c_c = 299792458;           % m/s TWM speed of light
9 c_eps_0 = 8.8542149e-12;   % F/m vaccum permittivity
10 c_eps_0_cm = c_eps_0/100;   % F/cm vaccum permittivity
11 c_mu_0 = 1/c_eps_0/c_c^2;   % Permiability of free space
12 c_q = 1.60217653e-19;      % Charge of an electon
13 c_hb = 1.05457266913e-34;   % Dirac / Reduced Planck constant
14 c_h = c_hb*2*pi;           % Planck constant
15
16 beta_r = 0;                % De-tuning constant
17 beta_i = 0;                % Gain Constant
18
19 kappa0 = 100;               % Coupling coefficient
20 kappaStart = 1/3;           % Constant defines starting position where coupling begins.
21 kappaStop = 2/3;            % Constant defines ending position where coupling stops.
22
23 InputParasL.E0 = 1e5;       % Amplitude of the input E-field / E_f
24 InputParasL.we = 0;         % Frequency of the complex sinusoidal modulation on the gaussian pulse
25 InputParasL.t0 = 2e-12;     % The constant we are shifting the time by
26 InputParasL.wg = 5e-13;     % Width of the Gaussian distribution
27 InputParasL.phi = 0;        % Initial Phase of the E_f / input E-field
28 InputParasR = 0;            % Placeholder variable for reverse propagation
29
30 n_g = 3.5;                  % Constant to control group velocity
31 vg = c_c/n_g *1e2;          % TWM cm/s group velocity
32
33 Lambda = 1550e-9;           % Wavelength of light
34
35 plotN = 10;                 % Divisior constant
36
37 L = 1000e-6*1e2;            % length of the waveguide in cm
38
39 XL = [0,L];                 % Start and End of the x-axis
40 YL = [-InputParasL.E0,InputParasL.E0]; % Start and End of the y-axis
41
42 Nz = 500;                   % Number of spatial points
43 dz = L/(Nz-1);              % Distance between every point
44 dt = dz/vg;                 % Time step to plot every point
45 fsync = dt*vg/dz;           % Equals 1, allows the Gaussian to be stable
46
47 Nt = floor(2*Nz);           % Number of time steps
48 tmax = Nt*dt;               % Maximum time for simulation
49 t_L = dt*Nz;                % Time for the wave to travel the entire waveguide length (s)
50 z = linspace(0,L,Nz);       % Spatial grid from 0 to L with Nz points
51 time = nan(1,Nt);           % Time matrix with 1 row and Nt columns / row vector of Nt elements
52
53 InputL = nan(1,Nt);          % Matrix with 1 row and Nt columns / row vector of Nt elements
54 InputR = nan(1, Nt);         % Matrix with 1 row and Nt columns / row vector of Nt elements
55 OutputL = nan(1,Nt);         % Matrix with 1 row and Nt columns / row vector of Nt elements
56 OutputR = nan(1,Nt);        % Matrix with 1 row and Nt columns / row vector of Nt elements
57 Ef = zeros(size(z));        % Forward field along the waveguide (initialized to 0)
58 Er = zeros(size(z));        % Backward field along the waveguide (initialized to 0)
59 Ef1 = @SourceFct;           % Handle to the source function for forward input
60 ErN = @SourceFct;           % Handle to the source function for backward input
61
62 t = 0;                       % Set t to a starting value of 0
63 time(1) = t;                 % Sets the first element of the time vector to 0
64
65 InputL(1) = Ef1(t, InputParasL); % Set initial value of InputL using the source function
66 InputR(1) = ErN(t, InputParasR); % Set initial value of InputR using the source function
67
68 OutputR(1) = Ef(Nz);         % Initial right output field (at the end of the waveguide)
69 OutputL(1) = Er(1);          % Initial left output field (at the start of the waveguide)
70
71 Ef(1) = InputL(1);           % Initializes forward field at z = 0 (Input signal from the left)
72 Er(Nz) = InputR(1);          % Initializes backward field at z = L (Input signal from the right)
73
74 kappa = kappa0*ones(size(z)); % Creates an array of size z, where all indexes hold a value of kappa0
75 kappa(z<L*kappaStart) = 0;   % Sets the limit such that kappa is set to zero outside the interaction region
76 kappa(z>L*kappaStop) = 0;    % Sets the limit such that kappa is set to zero outside the interaction region.
77
78 figure('name', 'Fields')
79

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80 subplot(3,1,1)
81 plot(z*1000, real(Ef), 'r');
82 hold off
83 xlabel('z(\mum)')
84 ylabel('E_f')
85
86 subplot(3,1,2)
87 plot(z*1000, real(Er), 'b');
88 xlabel('z(\mum)')
89 ylabel('E_r')
90 hold off
91
92 subplot(3,1,3)
93 plot(time*1e12, real(InputL), 'r'); hold on
94 plot(time*1e12, real(OutputR), 'r--');
95 plot(time*1e12, real(InputR), 'b'); hold on
96 plot(time*1e12, real(OutputL), 'b--');
97 xlabel('time(ps)')
98 ylabel('E')
99 hold off
100
101 for i = 2:Nt % 2 to 1000 in steps of 1
102
103     t = dt*(i-1);
104     time(i) = t;
105
106     RL = 0; % The left side reflection coefficient
107     RR = 0; % The right side reflection coefficient
108
109     beta = ones(size(z))*(beta_r+1i*beta_i); % Complex propagation constant
110     exp_det = exp(-1i*dz*beta); % Phase shift due to propagation over a distance dz
111
112     % % Input fields at current time step
113     InputL(i) = Ef1(t, InputParasL); % At t, we input a signal characterized by InputParasL from the left
114
115     InputR(i) = ErN(t, 0); % At t, we input no signal from the right (since InputParasR = 0)
116
117     % Boundary conditions with reflections
118     Ef(1) = InputL(i) + RL*Er(1); % Boundary condition at z = 0 (left side);
119     Er(Nz) = InputR(i) + RR*Ef(Nz); % Boundary condition at z = L (right side)
120
121     % Propagation using upwind FD method, quasi-static solution, and position dependent coupling coefficient
122     Ef(2:Nz) = fsync*exp_det(1:Nz-1).*Ef(1:Nz-1) + 1i*dz*kappa(2:Nz).*Er(2:Nz); % Forward Field Propagation
123     Er(1:Nz-1) = fsync*exp_det(2:Nz).*Er(2:Nz) + 1i*dz*kappa(2:Nz).*Ef(2:Nz); % Reverse Field Propagation
124
125     % Output fields recorded at boundaries
126     OutputR(i) = Ef(Nz) * (1 - RR); % Right output at z = L (compensated for reflection)
127     OutputL(i) = Er(1) * (1 - RL); % Left output z = 0 (compensated for reflection)
128
129     % FFT data from the outputs
130     fftOutputR = fftshift(fft(OutputR)); % Get FFT data for OutputR
131     fftOutputL = fftshift(fft(OutputL)); % Get FFT data for OutputL
132     fftInputL = fftshift(fft(InputL)); % Get FFT data for InputL
133     omega = fftshift(wspace(time));
134
135     if mod(i,plotN) == 0 % Only executed when i is multiple of plotN
136
137         % Forward Propagation of the Gaussian Pulse
138         subplot(3,2,1)
139         plot(z*10000,real(Ef),'r'); hold on
140         plot(z*10000,imag(Ef),'r--'); hold off
141         xlim(XL*1e4)
142         ylim(YL)
143         xlabel('z(\mum)')
144         ylabel('E_f')
145         legend('\Re', '\Im')
146         hold off
147
148         % Reverse (Reflection) of the Gaussian Pulse
149         subplot(3,2,3)
150         plot(z*10000, real(Er), 'b'); hold on
151         plot(z*10000, imag(Er), 'b--'); hold off
152         xlim(XL*1e4)
153         ylim(YL)
154         xlabel('z(\mum)')
155         ylabel('E_r')
156         legend('\Re', '\Im')
157         hold off

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158 % Plot showing when the time when the input and output pulse were detected
159 subplot(3,2,5);
160 plot(time*1e12, real(InputL), 'r'); hold on
161 plot(time*1e12, real(OutputR), 'g');
162 plot(time*1e12, real(InputR), 'b');
163 plot(time*1e12, real(OutputL), 'm');
164 xlim([0, Nt*dt*1e12])
165 ylim(YL)
166 ylabel('time(ps)')
167 ylabel('0')
168 legend('Left Input', 'Right Output', 'Right Input', 'Left Output' ...
169       , 'Location', 'east')
170 hold off
171
172 % Plot the spectral content of the Gaussian (or Gaussian Modulated) Pulse
173 subplot(3,2,2);
174 plot(omega, abs(fftOutputR));
175 hold on; %
176 plot(omega, abs(fftOutputL));
177 plot(omega, abs(fftInputL));
178 hold off; %
179 xlabel('Frequency (THz)');
180 ylabel('|E|');
181 xlim([-0.1e14, 0.1e14]);
182 legend('fftOutputR','fftOutputL','fftInputL');
183
184 % Plot the Phase of the Gaussian (or Gaussian Modulated) Pulse
185 subplot(3,2,4);
186 phase1 = unwrap(angle(fftOutputR)); % Unwrap the phase1
187 phase2 = unwrap(angle(fftOutputL)); % Unwrap the phase2
188 phase3 = unwrap(angle(fftInputL)); % Unwrap the phase for Input
189
190 plot(omega, phase1);
191 hold on;
192 plot(omega, phase2);
193 plot(omega, phase3);
194 hold off;
195 xlabel('Frequency (THz)');
196 ylabel('Phase (E)');
197 xlim([-1.5e14, 1.5e14]);
198 legend('fftOutputR','fftOutputL','fftInputL');
199
200 pause(0.01)
201 end
202 end
203

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Listing 5: MATLAB code for TWM simulation with Gratings and the use of \hat{k}

7.6 Section F: Milestone 4 – Gain/Loss Dispersion

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1 set(0,'defaultaxesfontsize',20)
2 set(0,'DefaultFigureWindowStyle','docked')
3 set(0,'DefaultLineLineWidth',2)
4 set(0,'Defaultaxeslinewidth',2)
5
6 set(0,'DefaultFigureWindowStyle','docked')
7
8 c_c = 299792458; % m/s TWM speed of light
9 c_eps_0 = 8.8542149e-12; % F/m vacuum permittivity
10 c_eps_0_cm = c_eps_0/100; % F/cm vacuum permittivity
11 c_mu_0 = 1/c_eps_0/c_c^2; % Permeability of free space
12 c_q = 1.60217653e-19; % Charge of an electron
13 c_hb = 1.05457266913e-34; % Dirac / Reduced Planck constant
14 c_h = c_hb*2*pi; % Planck constant
15
16 beta_r = 0; % De-tuning constant
17 beta_i = 0; % Gain constant
18
19 kappa0 = 0; % Coupling coefficient
20 kappaStart = 1/3; % Constant defines starting position where coupling begins
21 kappaStop = 2/3; % Constant defines ending position where coupling stops

```

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22
23 InputParasL.E0 = 1e5;           % Amplitude of the input E-field / Ef
24 InputParasL.we = 0;           % Frequency of the complex sinusoidal modulation on the Gaussian pulse
25 InputParasL.t0 = 2e-12;       % Time shift constant for the Gaussian pulse
26 InputParasL.wg = 5e-13;       % Width of the Gaussian distribution
27 InputParasL.phi = 0;          % Initial phase of the input E-field
28 InputParasR = 0;              % Placeholder variable for reverse propagation
29
30 n_g = 3.5;                    % Constant to control group velocity
31 vg = c_c/n_g * 1e2;           % TWM cm/s group velocity
32
33 Lambda = 1550e-9;             % Wavelength of light
34
35 plotN = 10;                   % Divisor constant for plotting frequency
36
37 L = 1000e-6*1e2;              % Length of the waveguide in cm
38
39 % Material Polarization Information
40 g_fwhm = 3.5e+012/10;         % Frequency full width at half maximum
41 LGamma = g_fwhm * 2 * pi;     % Polarization decay rate
42 Lw0 = 0;                      % Resonance frequency offset
43 LGain = 0.01;                 % Gain constant
44
45 XL = [0, L];                  % Start and end of the x-axis
46 YL = [-InputParasL.E0, InputParasL.E0]; % Start and end of the y-axis
47
48 Nz = 500;                     % Number of spatial points
49 dz = L/(Nz-1);                % Distance between each spatial point
50 dt = dz/vg;                   % Time step ensuring Gaussian pulse stability
51 fsync = dt*vg/dz;             % Equals 1, ensures Gaussian stability
52
53 Nt = floor(2*Nz);             % Number of time steps
54 tmax = Nt*dt;                 % Maximum simulation time
55 t_L = dt*Nz;                  % Time for wave to travel the waveguide length
56 z = linspace(0, L, Nz);       % Spatial grid with Nz points
57 time = nan(1, Nt);            % Time vector with Nt elements
58
59 InputL = nan(1, Nt);           % Left input field over time
60 InputR = nan(1, Nt);           % Right input field over time
61 OutputL = nan(1, Nt);          % Left output field over time
62 OutputR = nan(1, Nt);          % Right output field over time
63 Ef = zeros(size(z));           % Forward field along the waveguide (initialized to zero)
64 Er = zeros(size(z));           % Backward field along the waveguide (initialized to zero)
65
66 Ef1 = @SourceFct;              % Handle to the source function for forward input
67 ErN = @SourceFct;              % Handle to the source function for backward input
68
69 t = 0;                         % Set initial time to 0
70 time(1) = t;                   % Initialize the first element of the time vector
71
72 InputL(1) = Ef1(t, InputParasL); % Initial left input field from source function
73 InputR(1) = ErN(t, InputParasR); % Initial right input field from source function
74
75 OutputR(1) = Ef(Nz);           % Initial right output field (at z = L)
76 OutputL(1) = Er(1);            % Initial left output field (at z = 0)
77
78 Ef(1) = InputL(1);             % Initializes forward field at z = 0
79 Er(Nz) = InputR(1);            % Initializes backward field at z = L
80
81 kappa = kappa0 * ones(size(z)); % Creates an array filled with kappa0 values
82 kappa(z < L*kappaStart) = 0;   % Sets kappa to zero before interaction region
83 kappa(z > L*kappaStop) = 0;    % Sets kappa to zero after interaction region
84
85 Pf = zeros(size(z));           % Forward field material polarization
86 Pr = zeros(size(z));           % Reverse field material polarization
87
88 % Variables to hold field and polarization information from the previous time step
89 Efp = Ef;
90 Erp = Er;
91 Pfp = Pf;
92 Prp = Pr;
93
94 figure('name', 'Fields')
95
96 subplot(3,1,1)
97 plot(z*1000, real(Ef), 'r');    % Plot of initial forward field
98 xlabel('z (um)')
99 ylabel('Ef')

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100 subplot(3,1,2)
101 plot(z*1000, real(Er), 'b'); % Plot of initial backward field
102 xlabel('z(\mum)')
103 ylabel('E_r')
104
105 subplot(3,1,3)
106 plot(time*1e12, real(InputL), 'r'); hold on
107 plot(time*1e12, real(OutputR), 'r--');
108 plot(time*1e12, real(InputR), 'b'); hold on
109 plot(time*1e12, real(OutputL), 'b--');
110 xlabel('time(ps)')
111 ylabel('E')
112 hold off
113
114 for i = 2:Nt % Loop over time steps
115     t = dt*(i-1); % Update current time
116     time(i) = t; % Store current time
117
118     RL = 0; % Left side reflection coefficient
119     RR = 0; % Right side reflection coefficient
120
121     beta = ones(size(z)) * (beta_r + 1i * beta_i); % Complex propagation constant
122     exp_det = exp(-1i * dz * beta); % Phase shift due to propagation over dz
123
124     % Input fields at current time step
125     InputL(i) = Ef1(t, InputParasL);
126     InputR(i) = ErN(t, InputParasR);
127
128     % Apply boundary conditions with reflections
129     Ef(1) = InputL(i) + RL * Er(1); % Boundary condition at z = 0
130     Er(Nz) = InputR(i) + RR * Ef(Nz); % Boundary condition at z = L
131
132     % Propagation using upwind finite difference method and position-dependent coupling
133     Ef(2:Nz) = fsync * exp_det(1:Nz-1) .* Ef(1:Nz-1) + 1i * dz * kappa(2:Nz) .* Er(2:Nz);
134     Er(1:Nz-1) = fsync * exp_det(2:Nz) .* Er(2:Nz) + 1i * dz * kappa(1:Nz-1) .* Ef(1:Nz-1);
135
136     % Boundary conditions for polarization
137     Pf(1) = 0; % Zero polarization at left boundary
138     Pf(Nz) = 0; % Zero polarization at right boundary
139     Pr(1) = 0; % Zero polarization at right boundary
140     Pr(Nz) = 0; % Zero polarization at left boundary
141
142     Cw0 = -LGamma + 1i * Lw0; % Complex response function of the material
143
144     % Dispersion calculations
145     Tf = LGamma * Ef(1:Nz-2) + Cw0 * Pfp(2:Nz-1) + LGamma * Efp(1:Nz-2);
146     Pf(2:Nz-1) = (Pfp(2:Nz-1) + 0.5 * dt * Tf) ./ (1 - 0.5 * dt * Cw0);
147
148     Tr = LGamma * Er(3:Nz) + Cw0 * Prp(2:Nz-1) + LGamma * Erp(3:Nz);
149     Pr(2:Nz-1) = (Prp(2:Nz-1) + 0.5 * dt * Tr) ./ (1 - 0.5 * dt * Cw0);
150
151     Ef(2:Nz-1) = Ef(2:Nz-1) - LGain * (Ef(2:Nz-1) - Pf(2:Nz-1)); % Forward field adjustment
152     Er(2:Nz-1) = Er(2:Nz-1) - LGain * (Er(2:Nz-1) - Pr(2:Nz-1)); % Reverse field adjustment
153
154     % Output fields recorded at boundaries
155     OutputR(i) = Ef(Nz) * (1 - RR);
156     OutputL(i) = Er(1) * (1 - RL);
157
158     % FFT for spectral analysis
159     fftOutput1 = fftshift(fft(OutputR));
160     fftOutput2 = fftshift(fft(OutputL));
161     fftInput1 = fftshift(fft(InputL));
162     omega = fftshift(wspace(time));
163
164     if mod(i, plotN) == 0 % Plot every plotN iterations
165         % Forward Gaussian pulse propagation
166         subplot(3,2,1)
167         plot(z*10000, real(Ef), 'r'); hold on
168         plot(z*10000, imag(Ef), 'r--'); hold off
169         xlim(XL * 1e4)
170         ylim(YL)
171         xlabel('z(\mum)')
172         ylabel('E_f')
173         legend('\Re', '\Im')
174
175
176
177

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178 % Reverse (reflected) Gaussian pulse
179 subplot(3,2,3)
180 plot(z*10000, real(Er), 'b'); hold on
181 plot(z*10000, imag(Er), 'b--'); hold off
182 xlim(XL * 1e4)
183 ylim(YL)
184 xlabel('z (\mum)')
185 ylabel('E_r')
186 legend('\Re', '\Im')
187
188 % Time domain input and output fields
189 subplot(3,2,5)
190 plot(time*1e12, real(InputL), 'r'); hold on
191 plot(time*1e12, real(OutputR), 'g');
192 plot(time*1e12, real(InputR), 'b');
193 plot(time*1e12, real(OutputL), 'm');
194 xlim([0, Nt*dt*1e12])
195 ylim(YL)
196 xlabel('time(ps)')
197 ylabel('E')
198 legend('Left Input', 'Right Output', 'Right Input', 'Left Output', 'Location', 'east')
199
200 % Frequency spectrum magnitude
201 subplot(3,2,2)
202 plot(omega, abs(fftOutput1)); hold on
203 plot(omega, abs(fftOutput2));
204 plot(omega, abs(fftInput1)); hold off
205 xlabel('Frequency (THz)')
206 ylabel('|E|')
207 xlim([-0.1e14, 0.1e14])
208 legend('fftOutput1', 'fftOutput2', 'fftInput1')
209
210 % Frequency spectrum phase
211 subplot(3,2,4)
212 plot(omega, unwrap(angle(fftOutput1))); hold on
213 plot(omega, unwrap(angle(fftOutput2)));
214 plot(omega, unwrap(angle(fftInput1))); hold off
215 xlabel('Frequency (THz)')
216 ylabel('Phase(E)')
217 xlim([-1.5e14, 1.5e14])
218 legend('fftOutput1', 'fftOutput2', 'fftInput1')
219
220 pause(0.01) % Pause for real-time visualization
221 end
222
223 % Update previous values for next iteration
224 Efp = Ef;
225 Erp = Er;
226 Pfp = Pf;
227 Prp = Pr;
228 end

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Listing 6: MATLAB code for TWM simulation with Gain/Loss Dispersion

7.7 Section G: Milestone 5 – Investigation of effects of parameters ω_0 and γ

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1 set(0, 'defaultaxesfontsize', 20)
2 set(0, 'DefaultFigureWindowStyle', 'docked')
3 set(0, 'DefaultLineLineWidth', 2);
4 set(0, 'Defaultaxeslinewidth', 2)
5
6 set(0, 'DefaultFigureWindowStyle', 'docked')
7
8 c_c = 299792458; % m/s TWM speed of light
9 c_eps_0 = 8.8542149e-12; % F/m vaccum permittivity
10 c_eps_0_cm = c_eps_0/100; % F/cm vaccum permittivity
11 c_mu_0 = 1/c_eps_0/c_c^2; % Permiability of free space
12 c_q = 1.60217653e-19; % Charge of an electon
13 c_hb = 1.05457266913e-34; % Dirac / Reduced Planck constant
14 c_h = c_hb*2*pi; % Planck constant

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15
16 beta_r = 0; % De-tuning constant
17 beta_i = 0; % Gain Constant
18
19 kappa0 = 0; % Coupling coefficient
20 kappaStart = 1/3; % Constant defines starting position where coupling begins.
21 kappaStop = 2/3; % Constant defines ending position where coupling stops.
22
23 InputParasL.E0 = 1e5; % Amplitude of the input E-field / E_f
24 InputParasL.we = 0; % Frequency of the complex sinusoidal modulation on the gaussian pulse
25 InputParasL.t0 = 2e-12; % The constant we are shifting the time by
26 InputParasL.wg = 5e-13; % Width of the Gaussian distribution
27 InputParasL.phi = 0; % Initial Phase of the E_f / input E-field
28 InputParasR = 0; % Placeholder variable for reverse propagation
29
30 n_g = 3.5; % Constant to control group velocity
31 vg = c_c/n_g *1e2; % TWM cm/s group velocity
32
33 Lambda = 1550e-9; % Wavelength of light
34
35 plotN = 10; % Divisior constant
36
37 L = 1000e-6*1e2; % length of the waveguide in cm
38
39 % Material Polarization Information
40 g_fwhm = 3.5e+012/10; % Frequency
41 LGamma = g_fwhm*2*pi;
42 Lw0 = 0;
43 LGain = 0.01; % Gain Constant
44
45 XL = [0,L]; % Start and End of the x-axis
46 YL = [-InputParasL.E0,InputParasL.E0]; % Start and End of the y-axis
47
48 Nz = 500; % Number of divisions
49 dz = L/(Nz-1); % Distance between every point
50 dt = dz/vg; % Time taken to plot every point
51 fsync = dt*vg/dz; % Equals 1, allows the Gaussian to be stable
52
53 Nt = floor(2*Nz); % Time steps
54 tmax = Nt*dt; % Maximum time for simulation
55 t_L = dt*Nz; % time to travel length
56 z = linspace(0,L,Nz); % Nz points, Nz-1 segments
57 time = nan(1,Nt); % Time matrix with 1 row and Nt columns / row vector of Nt elements
58
59 InputL = nan(1,Nt); % Matrix with 1 row and Nt columns / row vector of Nt elements
60 InputR = nan(1, Nt); % Matrix with 1 row and Nt columns / row vector of Nt elements
61 OutputL = nan(1,Nt); % Matrix with 1 row and Nt columns / row vector of Nt elements
62 OutputR = nan(1,Nt); % Matrix with 1 row and Nt columns / row vector of Nt elements
63 Ef = zeros(size(z)); % Matrix with the same dimensions as z, all elements initialized to 0
64 Er = zeros(size(z)); % Matrix with the same dimensions as z, all elements initialized to 0
65
66 Ef1 = @SourceFct; % Reference to SourceFct
67 ErN = @SourceFct; % Reference to SourceFct
68
69 t = 0; % Set t to a starting value of 0
70 time(1) = t; % Sets the first element of the time vector to 0
71
72 InputL(1) = Ef1(t, InputParasL); % Set initial value of InputL using the source function
73 InputR(1) = ErN(t, InputParasR); % Set initial value of InputR using the source function
74
75 OutputR(1) = Ef(Nz); % The end of the waveguide is the first value of the reflection (Right to Left)
76 OutputL(1) = Er(1); % The end of the waveguide is the first value of the reflection (Left to Right)
77
78 Ef(1) = InputL(1); % Initializes forward field at z = 0 (Input signal from the left)
79 Er(Nz) = InputR(1); % Initializes backward field at z = L (Input signal from the right)
80
81 kappa = kappa0*ones(size(z)); % Creates an array of size z, where all indexes hold a value of kappa0
82 kappa(z<L*kappaStart) = 0; % Sets the limit such that kappa is set to zero outside the interaction region
83 kappa(z>L*kappaStop) = 0; % Sets the limit such that kappa is set to zero outside the interaction region.
84
85 Pf = zeros(size(z)); % Variable for the polarization of the material on the forward field
86 Pr = zeros(size(z)); % Variable for the polarization of the material on the reverse field
87
88 % Variables to hold field and polarization information
89 Efp = Ef;
90 Erp = Er;
91 Pfp = Pf;
92 Prp = Pr;

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93
94 figure('name', 'Fields')
95
96 subplot(3,1,1)
97 plot(z*1000, real(Ef), 'r');
98 hold off
99 xlabel('z(\mum)')
100 ylabel('E_f')
101
102 subplot(3,1,2)
103 plot(z*1000, real(Er), 'b');
104 xlabel('z(\mum)')
105 ylabel('E_r')
106 hold off
107
108 subplot(3,1,3)
109 plot(time*1e12, real(InputL), 'r'); hold on
110 plot(time*1e12, real(OutputR), 'r--');
111 plot(time*1e12, real(InputR), 'b'); hold on
112 plot(time*1e12, real(OutputL), 'b--');
113 xlabel('time(ps)')
114 ylabel('E')
115 hold off
116
117 for i = 2:Nt % 2 to 1000 in steps of 1
118
119     t = dt*(i-1);
120     time(i) = t;
121
122     RL = 0; % The left side reflection coefficient
123     RR = 0; % The right side reflection coefficient
124
125     beta = ones(size(z))*(beta_r+1i*beta_i); % Complex propagation constant
126     exp_det = exp(-1i*dz*beta); % Phase shift due to propagation over a distance dz
127
128     % Input
129     InputL(i) = Ef1(t, InputParasL); % At time t, we input a signal characterized by InputParasL from the left
130     InputR(i) = ErN(t, 0); % At time t, we input no signal from the right (since InputParasR = 0)
131
132     % Reflection
133     Ef(1) = InputL(i) + RL*Er(1); % Boundary condition at z = 0 (left side);
134     Er(Nz) = InputR(i) + RR*Ef(Nz); % Boundary condition at z = L (right side);
135
136     Ef(2:Nz) = fsync*exp_det(1:Nz-1).*Ef(1:Nz-1) + 1i*dz*kappa(2:Nz).*Er(2:Nz); % Forward Field Propagation
137     Er(1:Nz-1) = fsync*exp_det(2:Nz).*Er(2:Nz) + 1i*dz*kappa(2:Nz).*Ef(2:Nz); % Reverse Field Propagation
138
139     % Boundary Conditions
140     Pf(1) = 0; % zero polarization at the left boundary
141     Pf(Nz) = 0; % zero polarization at the right boundary
142     Pr(1) = 0; % zero polarization at the right boundary
143     Pr(Nz) = 0; % zero polarization at the left boundary
144     Cw0 = -LGamma + 1i * Lw0; % Defines the complex response function of the material.
145
146     % Dispersion Calculations
147     % Backward Euler Polarization Update
148     % Forward polarization
149     Tf = LGamma * Efp(2:Nz-1); % Source term for forward polarization
150     Pf(2:Nz-1) = (Pf(2:Nz-1) + dt * Tf) ./ (1 - dt * Cw0); % Forward polarization update
151
152     % Backward polarization
153     Tr = LGamma * Erp(2:Nz-1); % Source term for backward polarization
154     Pr(2:Nz-1) = (Pr(2:Nz-1) + dt * Tr) ./ (1 - dt * Cw0); % Backward polarization update
155
156     Ef(2:Nz-1) = Ef(2:Nz-1) - LGain * (Ef(2:Nz-1) - Pf(2:Nz-1)); % Adjusts the forward electric field
157     Er(2:Nz-1) = Er(2:Nz-1) - LGain * (Er(2:Nz-1) - Pr(2:Nz-1)); % Adjusts the reverse electric field
158
159     % Output
160     OutputR(i) = Ef(Nz) * (1 - RR); % Right output at z = L
161     OutputL(i) = Er(1) * (1 - RL); % Left output at z = 0
162
163     % FFT data from the outputs
164     fftOutput1 = fftshift(fft(OutputR)); % Get FFT data for OutputR
165     fftOutput2 = fftshift(fft(OutputL)); % Get FFT data for OutputL
166     fftInput1 = fftshift(fft(InputL)); % Get FFT data for InputL
167     omega = fftshift(wspace(time));
168
169     if mod(i,plotN) == 0 % Only executed when i is multiple of plotN
170

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171 % Forward Propagation of the Gaussian Pulse
172 subplot(3,2,1)
173 plot(z*10000,real(Ef),'r'); hold on
174 plot(z*10000,imag(Ef),'r--'); hold off
175 xlim(XL*1e4)
176 ylim(YL)
177 xlabel('z (\mum)')
178 ylabel('E_f (V/um)')
179 legend('\Re','\Im')
180 hold off
181
182 % Reverse (Reflection) of the Gaussian Pulse
183 subplot(3,2,3)
184 plot(z*10000, real(Er), 'b'); hold on
185 plot(z*10000, imag(Er), 'b--'); hold off
186 xlim(XL*1e4)
187 ylim(YL)
188 xlabel('z (\mum)')
189 ylabel('E_r (V/um)')
190 legend('\Re', '\Im')
191 hold off
192
193 % Plot showing when the time when the input and output pulse were detected
194 subplot(3,2,5);
195 plot(time*1e12, real(InputL), 'r'); hold on
196 plot(time*1e12, real(OutputR), 'g');
197 plot(time*1e12, real(InputR), 'b');
198 plot(time*1e12, real(OutputL), 'm');
199 xlim([0, Nt*dt*1e12])
200 ylim(YL)
201 xlabel('time(ps)')
202 ylabel('E (V/um)')
203 legend('Left Input', 'Right Output', 'Right Input', 'Left Output' ...
204 , 'Location', 'east')
205 hold off
206
207 % Plot showing the spectral content of OutputR and OutputL
208 subplot(3,2,2);
209 plot(omega, abs(fftOutput1));
210 hold on; %
211 plot(omega, abs(fftOutput2));
212 plot(omega, abs(fftInput1));
213 hold off; %
214 xlabel('Frequency (THz)');
215 ylabel('|E| (V/um)');
216 xlim([-0.1e14, 0.1e14]);
217 legend('fftOutputR','fftOutputL','fftInputL');
218
219 % Plot showing the phase of OutputR and OutputL
220 subplot(3,2,4);
221 phase1 = unwrap(angle(fftOutput1)); % Unwrap the phase1
222 phase2 = unwrap(angle(fftOutput2)); % Unwrap the phase2
223 phase3 = unwrap(angle(fftInput1)); % Unwrap the phase for Input
224
225 plot(omega, phase1);
226 hold on;
227 plot(omega, phase2);
228 plot(omega, phase3);
229 hold off;
230 xlabel('Frequency (THz)');
231 ylabel('Phase (E) (Rads)');
232 xlim([-1.5e14, 1.5e14]);
233 legend('fftOutputR','fftOutputL','fftInputL');
234
235 pause(0.01)
236 end
237
238 % Update Previous Values
239 Efp = Ef;
240 Erp = Er;
241 Pfp = Pf;
242 Prp = Pr;
243 end

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Listing 7: Investigation of effects of parameters ω_0 and γ

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