OS7201 Electromagnetic Analysis Using FDTD Method

Homework #6 Due: 11/29/2022 at 2 p.m.

1. (100%) Implement the basic 2-D FDTD update equations with simple Dirichlet boundary conditions for the E_z mode. Your goal is to repeat the animation shown on slide 4 of Lecture 11. Use a Gaussian pulse as a soft source propagating in free space and use the Dirichlet boundary conditions. The highest frequency component of the pulse and the critical dimension of a *dummy* structure are assumed to be 193.41448 THz and 1000 nm, respectively.

Some hints are provided below:

- **a.** Follow closely the block diagram at the end of Lecture 11.
- **b.** There are no iterations of updating **H** from **E** and updating **E** from **H** as you have seen in the 1-D FDTD algorithm. Remember that at each time step, the variables obtained from the previous time step get manipulated and stored in the variable on the left-hand side of an equation.
- **c.** Pay attention to the connections between arrays of variables and the actual positions of *x*-low, *x*-high, *y*-low, and *y*-high of the simulation region.

Make sure the pulse propagation looks smooth and not glacially slow.

Starting from Homework #5, an additional one-week extension is given with 0% of your scores taken off, if you need more time to complete the homework. Therefore the last date to turn in Homework #6 is 12/06/2022.

Also, I suggest you refrain from asking your classmates for help. However, having some meaningful discussions with your classmates is perfectly fine. But you all need to *complete the work independently*. This is the only way to build up your confidence and skills in solving problems.