

# 2D Modes Draft

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## Theory

Electric and magnetic fields propagating in the  $\hat{z}$  direction have the form:

$$\vec{E} = \vec{\mathcal{E}}(x, y)e^{-j(\beta z + \omega t)} \quad (1)$$

$$\vec{H} = \vec{\mathcal{H}}(x, y)e^{-j(\beta z + \omega t)} \quad (2)$$

$$\boxed{\partial_z H^i = -j\beta H^i} \quad (3)$$

$$\boxed{H_z = \frac{1}{j\beta} \left( \frac{\partial H_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial H_y}{\partial y} \right)} \quad (4)$$

For simplicity, assume that one of the material axes is along the propagation direction,  $\hat{z}$ . We also assume that the electric permittivity tensor has the form:

$$\epsilon = \epsilon_0 \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_{xx} & \epsilon_{xy} & 0 \\ \epsilon_{yx} & \epsilon_{yy} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \epsilon_{zz} \end{bmatrix} \quad (5)$$

implying that the transverse permittivity is independent of  $E_z$  and the longitudinal permittivity is independent of the transverse fields. Each entry above is an  $M \times N$  matrix, where  $M \times N$  is the dimension of the grid of points describing our waveguide.  $0 = 0_{M \times N}$ . Further, we deal with the simple case of a diagonal tensor. So that the electric permittivity along any coordinate axis is independent of orthogonal field components to that axis, i.e.

$$\epsilon = \epsilon_0 \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_{xx} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \epsilon_{yy} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \epsilon_{zz} \end{bmatrix}$$

$\epsilon$  is a rank 4 tensor, 2 indices specify the point of evaluation, 2 indices specify xy, yx, xx, yy, etc. From Maxwell's equations, we start with

$$\nabla \times \vec{H} = j\omega \epsilon_p \cdot \vec{E} \quad (6)$$

Where  $\epsilon_p$  is  $\epsilon$  evaluated at a point, p.

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_p^{-1} \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{H}) &= j\omega \vec{E} \\ \nabla \times (\epsilon_p^{-1} \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{H})) &= j\omega (\nabla \times \vec{E}) \\ &= j\omega (-j\omega) \mu \vec{H} \\ &= \omega^2 \mu \vec{H} \end{aligned}$$

Write in tensor notation, with  $\partial_k = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k}$  and  $\epsilon^{-1} = \bar{\epsilon}$

$$[\nabla \times (\bar{\epsilon} \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{H}))]^i = \omega^2 \mu \vec{H}^i \quad (7)$$

$$\mathcal{E}_k^{ij} \partial_j \bar{\epsilon}_l^k \mathcal{E}_n^{lm} \partial_m H^n = \omega^2 \mu H^i \quad (8)$$

$$\bar{\epsilon}_l^k \mathcal{E}_k^{ij} \mathcal{E}_n^{lm} \partial_j \partial_m H^n = \omega^2 \mu H^i \quad (9)$$

Where the inverse of  $\epsilon$  is <sup>1</sup>

$$\bar{\epsilon} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\epsilon_{yy}}{\epsilon_{xx}\epsilon_{yy} - \epsilon_{xy}\epsilon_{yx}} & -\frac{\epsilon_{xy}}{\epsilon_{xx}\epsilon_{yy} - \epsilon_{xy}\epsilon_{yx}} & 0 \\ -\frac{\epsilon_{yx}}{\epsilon_{xx}\epsilon_{yy} - \epsilon_{xy}\epsilon_{yx}} & \frac{\epsilon_{xx}}{\epsilon_{xx}\epsilon_{yy} - \epsilon_{xy}\epsilon_{yx}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{\epsilon_{zz}} \end{bmatrix} \quad (10)$$

## Evaluate Transverse Fields for the Diagonal Case

For the diagonal case where  $\epsilon_{xy} = \epsilon_{yx} = 0$ , we have

$$\bar{\epsilon} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\epsilon_{xx}} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\epsilon_{yy}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{\epsilon_{zz}} \end{bmatrix} \quad (11)$$

$$\equiv \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \begin{bmatrix} a^1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a^3 \end{bmatrix} \quad (12)$$

Using eqn 9 for the diagonal case (eqn 12), we evaluate  $H^x$  and  $H^y$  with the help of Table 1 and 2 to track indices

$$\bar{\epsilon}_l^k \mathcal{E}_k^{ij} \mathcal{E}_n^{lm} \partial_j \partial_m H^n = \omega^2 \mu H^i$$

i	j	k	sgn	l	m	n	sgn
1	2	3	+	3	1	2	+
1	2	3	+	3	2	1	-
1	3	2	-	2	3	1	+
1	3	2	-	2	1	3	-

Table 1:  $H^x$ ,  $i = 1$

**Evaluate  $i = 1$ ,  $H^x$**

$$a^3(\partial_2 \partial_1 H^2 - \partial_2 \partial_2 H^1) + a^2(\partial_3 \partial_1 H^3 - \partial_3 \partial_3 H^1) = \omega^2 \mu H^1 \quad (13)$$

$$a^3(\partial_y \partial_x H^y - \partial_y \partial_y H^x) + a^2(\partial_z \partial_x H^z - \partial_z \partial_z H^x) = \omega^2 \mu H^x \quad (14)$$

<sup>1</sup>Stover, Christopher and Weisstein, Eric W. "Matrix Inverse." From MathWorld—A Wolfram Web Resource. <http://mathworld.wolfram.com/MatrixInverse.html>

i	j	k	sgn	l	m	n	sgn
2	3	1	+	1	2	3	+
2	3	1	+	1	3	2	-
2	1	3	-	3	1	2	+
2	1	3	-	3	2	1	-

Table 2:  $H^y$ ,  $i = 2$

Using the fact that  $z$  dependence of the field components stands alone, we can evaluate  $\partial_z$  any time. Using eqn 3 and 4,

$$a^3(\partial_y \partial_x H^y - \partial_y \partial_y H^x) + a^2(-\partial_x(\partial_x H^x + \partial_y H^y) - (-\beta^2)H^x) = \omega^2 \mu H^x \quad (15)$$

$$\frac{1}{e_{zz}}(\partial_y \partial_x H^y - \partial_y \partial_y H^x) + \frac{1}{e_{yy}}(\beta^2 H^x - \partial_x \partial_x H^x - \partial_x \partial_y H^y) = \omega^2 \mu \epsilon_0 H^x \quad (16)$$

$$\frac{e_{yy}}{e_{zz}}(\partial_y \partial_x H^y - \partial_y \partial_y H^x) + \beta^2 H^x - \partial_x \partial_x H^x - \partial_x \partial_y H^y = e_{yy} \omega^2 \mu \epsilon_0 H^x \quad (17)$$

$$e_{yy} \omega^2 \mu \epsilon_0 H^x + \partial_x \partial_x H^x + \partial_x \partial_y H^y - \frac{e_{yy}}{e_{zz}} \partial_y \partial_x H^y + \frac{e_{yy}}{e_{zz}} \partial_y \partial_y H^x = \beta^2 H^x \quad (18)$$

**Evaluate  $i = 2$ ,  $H^y$**

$$a^1(\partial_3 \partial_2 H^3 - \partial_3 \partial_3 H^2) + a^3(\partial_1 \partial_2 H^1 - \partial_1 \partial_1 H^2) = \omega^2 \mu H^2 \quad (19)$$

$$a^1(\partial_z \partial_y H^z - \partial_z \partial_z H^y) + a^3(\partial_x \partial_y H^x - \partial_x \partial_x H^y) = \omega^2 \mu H^y \quad (20)$$

$$a^1(-\partial_y(\partial_x H^x + \partial_y H^y) - (-\beta^2)H^y) + a^3(\partial_x \partial_y H^x - \partial_x \partial_x H^y) = \omega^2 \mu H^y \quad (21)$$

$$\frac{1}{e_{xx}}(\beta^2 H^y - \partial_y \partial_x H^x - \partial_y \partial_y H^y) + \frac{1}{e_{zz}}(\partial_x \partial_y H^x - \partial_x \partial_x H^y) = \omega^2 \mu \epsilon_0 H^y \quad (22)$$

$$e_{xx} \omega^2 \mu \epsilon_0 H^y + \partial_y \partial_x H^x + \partial_y \partial_y H^y - \frac{e_{xx}}{e_{zz}} \partial_x \partial_y H^x + \frac{e_{xx}}{e_{zz}} \partial_x \partial_x H^y = \beta^2 H^y \quad (23)$$

To be consistent Fallahkhair and Murphy, we assume transverse components have continuous second partials. Therefore,  $\partial_x \partial_y = \partial_y \partial_x$ . We can consolidate terms in 18 and 23 to be

$$\omega^2 \mu \epsilon_0 e_{yy} H^x + \partial_x \partial_x H^x + (1 - \frac{e_{yy}}{e_{zz}}) \partial_y \partial_x H^y + \frac{e_{yy}}{e_{zz}} \partial_y \partial_y H^x = \beta^2 H^x \quad (24)$$

$$\omega^2 \mu \epsilon_0 e_{xx} H^y + \partial_y \partial_y H^y + (1 - \frac{e_{xx}}{e_{zz}}) \partial_x \partial_y H^x + \frac{e_{xx}}{e_{zz}} \partial_x \partial_x H^y = \beta^2 H^y \quad (25)$$

We use the following approximations, using the convention in Fig 1.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^2 H_x^p}{\partial x^2} &= \frac{H_x^w + H_x^e - 2H_x^p}{(\Delta x)^2} \\ \frac{\partial^2 H_x^p}{\partial y^2} &= \frac{H_x^s + H_x^n - 2H_x^p}{(\Delta y)^2} \\ \frac{\partial^2 H_x^p}{\partial x \partial y} &= \frac{H_x^{ne} + H_x^{sw} - H_x^{nw} - H_x^{se}}{4(\Delta x)(\Delta y)} \\ \frac{\partial^2 H_x^p}{\partial x \partial y} &= \frac{\partial^2 H_x^p}{\partial y \partial x} \end{aligned}$$

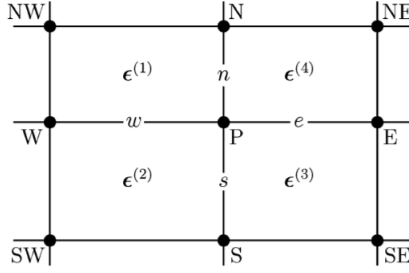


Fig. 1. Diagram illustrating mesh points used in the finite difference equations [14]. The superscripts P, N, S, E, W, NW, NE, SW, SE are used to label the point under consideration and its nearest neighbors to the north, south, east, west, northwest, northeast, southwest and southeast, respectively. The quantities  $n$ ,  $s$ ,  $e$ , and  $w$  denote the distance between  $P$  and the nearest mesh points in the north, south, west and east directions. The symbols  $\epsilon^{(1)} \dots \epsilon^{(4)}$  indicate the dielectric permittivity tensors, which are assumed to be homogeneous within each rectangular region between mesh points.

Figure 1: Fig 1

to discretize eqn 24 and 25

$$\beta^2 H_p^x = \omega^2 \mu \epsilon_0 H_p^x + \frac{H_x^w + H_x^e - 2H_p^x}{(\Delta x)^2} + \left(1 - \frac{e_{yy}}{e_{zz}}\right) \frac{H_y^{ne} + H_y^{sw} - H_y^{nw} - H_y^{se}}{4(\Delta x)(\Delta y)} + \frac{e_{yy}}{e_{zz}} \frac{H_x^s + H_x^n - 2H_p^x}{(\Delta y)^2} \quad (26)$$

$$\beta^2 H_p^y = \omega^2 \mu \epsilon_0 H_p^y + \frac{H_y^s + H_y^n - 2H_p^y}{(\Delta y)^2} + \left(1 - \frac{e_{xx}}{e_{zz}}\right) \frac{H_x^{ne} + H_x^{sw} - H_x^{nw} - H_x^{se}}{4(\Delta x)(\Delta y)} + \frac{e_{xx}}{e_{zz}} \frac{H_y^w + H_y^e - 2H_p^y}{(\Delta x)^2} \quad (27)$$

The coefficients in 26 and 27 are all to be evaluated at corresponding points they are multiplied with. We have an efficient scheme for this described in the next section.

$$\beta^2 H_p^x = L_1 H_p^x + L_2 (H_w^x + H_e^x - 2H_p^x) + L_3 (H_{ne}^y + H_{sw}^y - H_{nw}^y - H_{se}^y) + L_4 (H_s^x + H_n^x - 2H_p^x) \quad (28)$$

$$\beta^2 H_p^y = K_1 H_p^y + K_2 (H_s^y + H_n^y - 2H_p^y) + K_3 (H_{ne}^x + H_{sw}^x - H_{nw}^x - H_{se}^x) + K_4 (H_w^y + H_e^y - 2H_p^y) \quad (29)$$

## Constructing the EigenMatrix - General Idea

The general idea is to "unwrap" the columns of the calculation window into one long column vector and create a matrix of relationships between the elements. In the scalar wave code, we were able to execute a "brute force" method by supplying the entries of that matrix. But with the vector wave, the matrix gets large fast and we run out of memory fast. So the trick is to create a "sparse" matrix using `sparse()` which creates a list of entries and their values. Entries corresponding to values of 0 are effectively null and don't take up memory.

We will "unwrap" the computational window into a single column. So solving the transverse magnetic field becomes an eigenvalue problem. The "EigenMatrix" contains the coefficients relating the components of the transverse field. A transverse component, say  $H^x$ , has a value at every point of the  $M \times N$  computational window.

$$H^x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & M+1 & \dots & \\ 2 & M+2 & & \\ 3 & M+3 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ M & & \dots & MN \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ nx * ny \end{bmatrix}$$

We want to unwrap  $H^x$  and  $H^y$  and glue them together to get the following

$$[EigenMatrix] \begin{bmatrix} H_x \\ H_y \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow [EigenMatrix] \begin{bmatrix} H_1 \\ H_2 \\ \vdots \\ H_{MN} \\ H_{MN+1} \\ \vdots \\ H_{2MN} \end{bmatrix}$$

Table 3 shows a diagram for the matrices we have to construct. The inner parts, marked x, are of size  $M \times N$ . They are  $MN$  entries describing our waveguide, consistent with the refractive index matrix. But for calculation purposes, we have to construct an  $M+2 \times N+2$  size matrix because `sparse()` requires arguments of consistent dimensions and because we need to approximate the edge points. The padding entries are constructed using the edge entries.

	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	

Table 3: Calculation Matrix Diagram

## Coordinate Entries

We see from the diagram above Table 3 that the  $M \times N$  entries for both the  $H_x$  and  $H_y$  matrices correspond to some column of the `eigenMatrix`. We need to keep track of the relationship between the entries in those and their corresponding entries in our unwrapped column. So let's create two  $M \times N$  matrix of "coordinates" that label each entry with their corresponding entry in the column vector.

$$\begin{aligned}
Hx\_coord &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & M+1 & \dots & \\ 2 & M+2 & & \\ 3 & M+3 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & & & \vdots \\ M & & \dots & MN \end{bmatrix} \\
Hy\_coord &= \begin{bmatrix} MN+1 & \dots & & \\ MN+2 & & & \\ MN+3 & \ddots & \vdots & \\ \vdots & & & \vdots \\ \dots & \dots & 2MN & \end{bmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$