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# **Tailored Laser Beam Shaping by Freeform and Diffractive Optics**

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# Who, Where, What?



**Applied Computational Optics Group** R&D in optical modeling and design with emphasis on physical optics



# Who, Where, What?



**Wyrowski Photonics**  
Development of fast  
physical optics software  
VirtualLab Fusion

# Who, Where, What?



## LightTrans

- Distribution of VirtualLab Fusion, together with distributors worldwide
- Technical support, seminars, and trainings
- Engineering projects

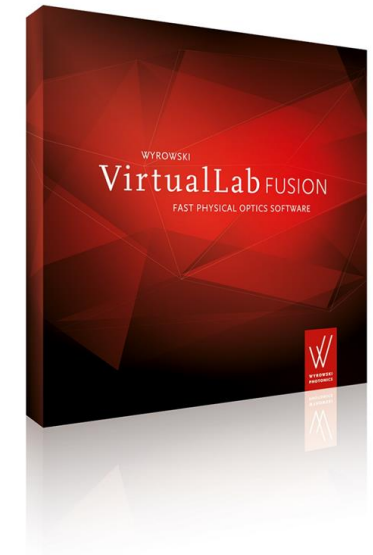


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All techniques shown in this talk  
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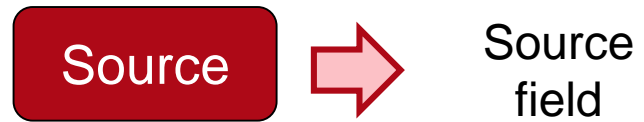
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## **Light Shaping**

... from a physical-optics perspective

# Light Shaping Task

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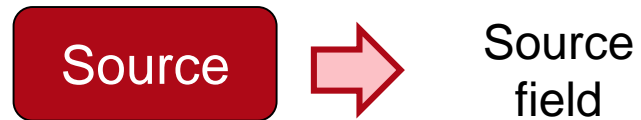


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# Light Shaping Task: Source Modes

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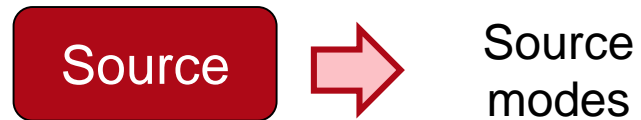


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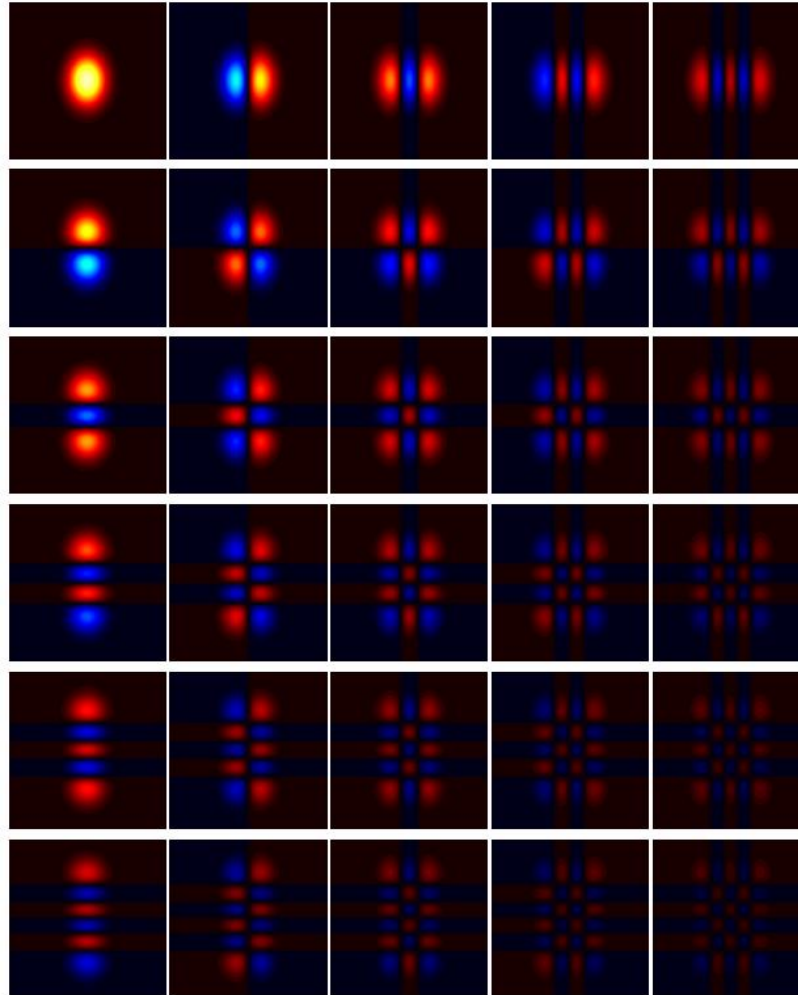
# Light Shaping Task: Gaussian Modes (Hermite)

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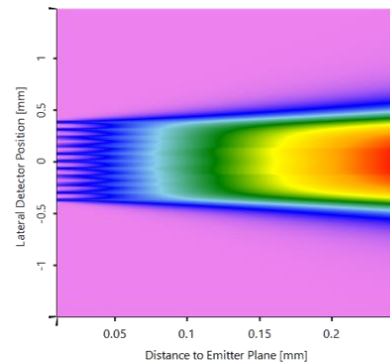
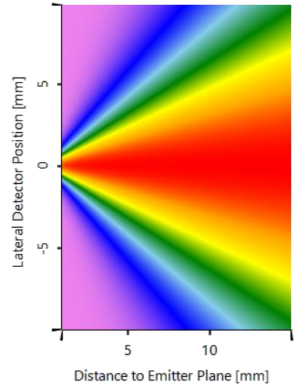
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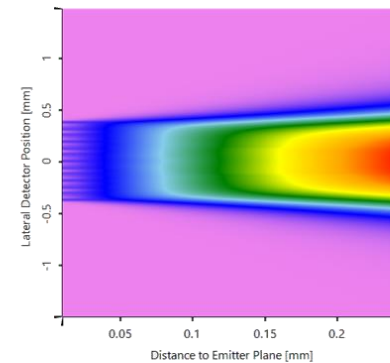
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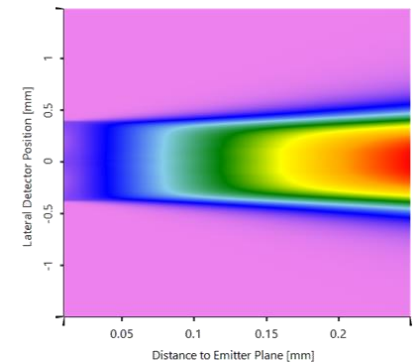
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11 Modes

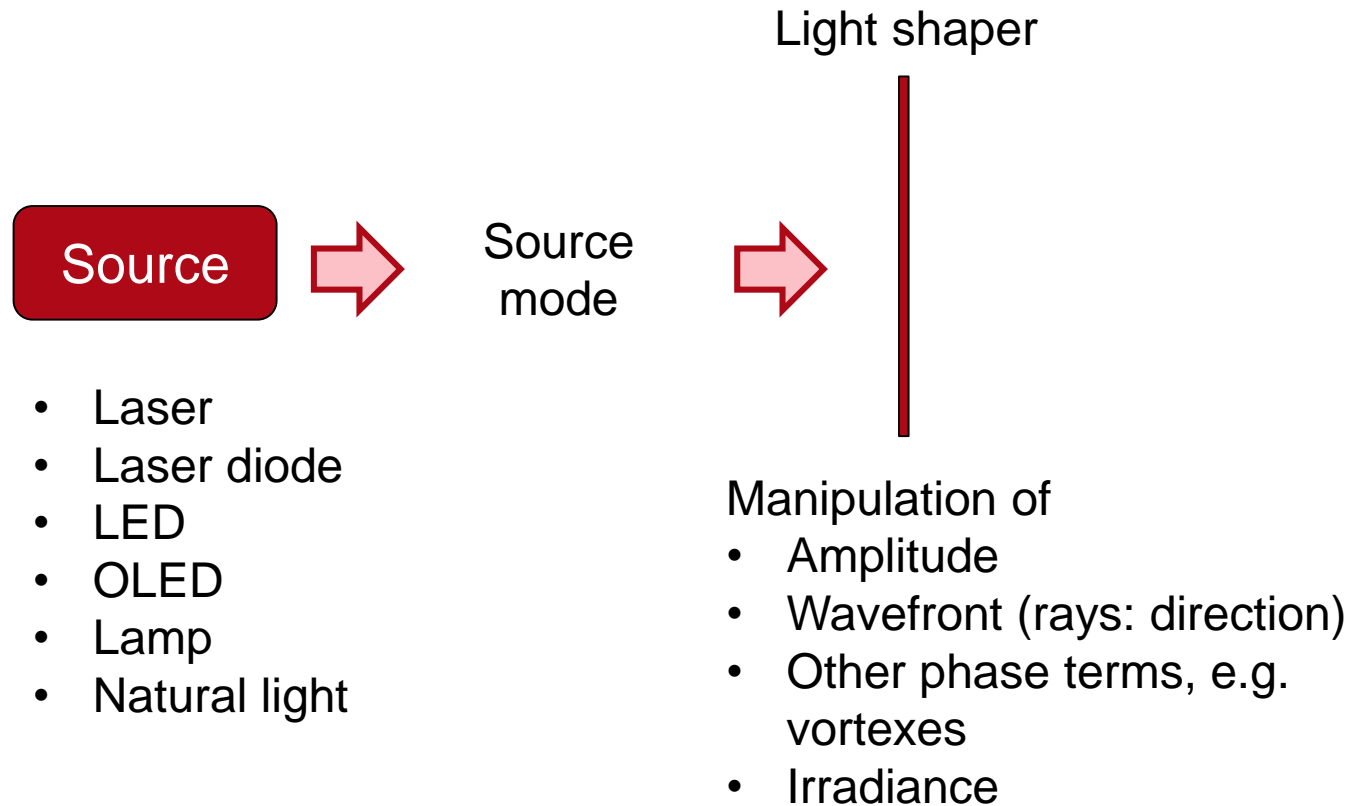


21 Modes



31 Modes

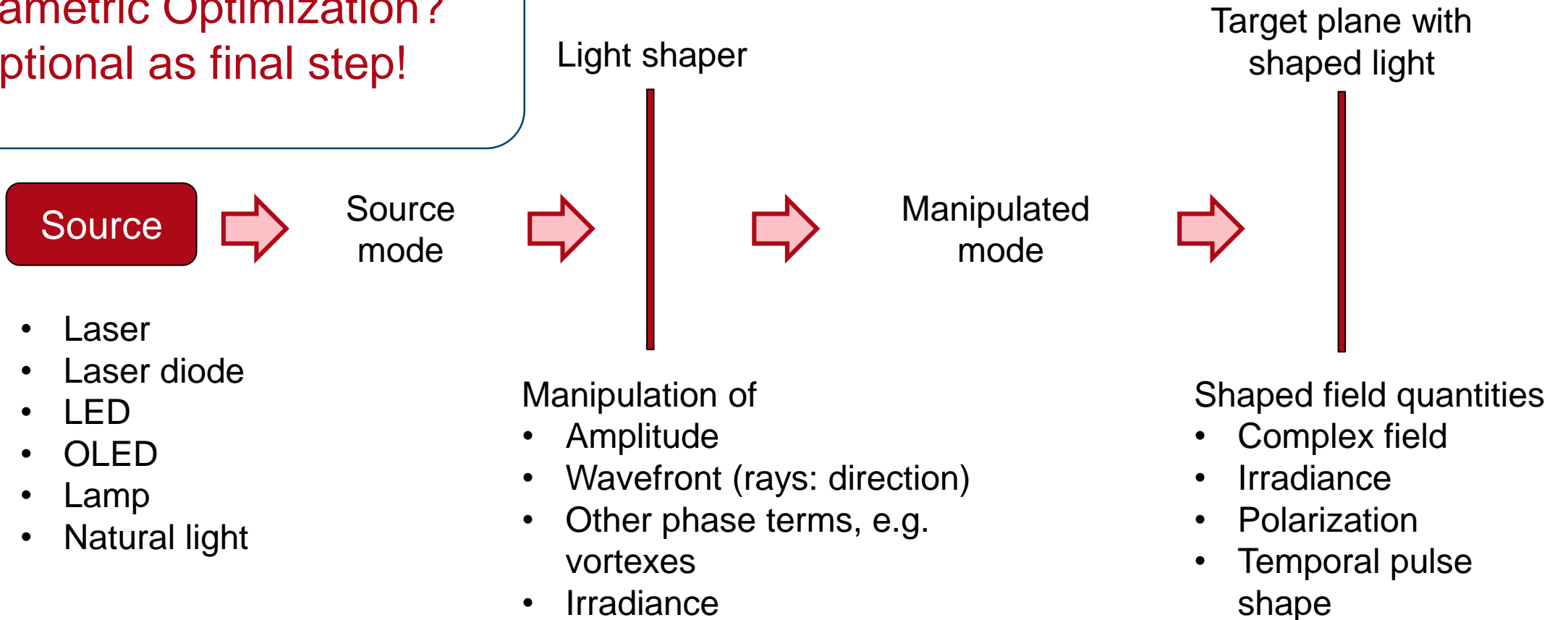
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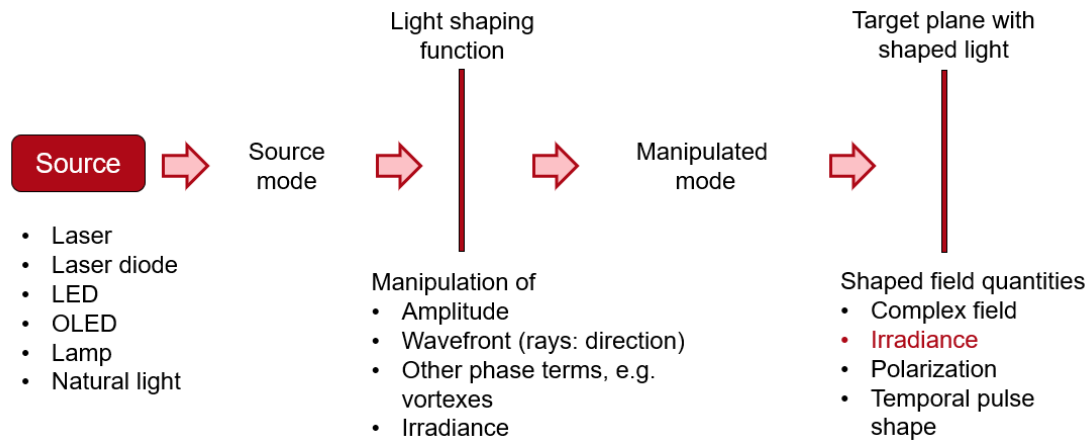
# Light Shaping Task

Parametric Optimization?  
Optional as final step!



# Light Shaping Design

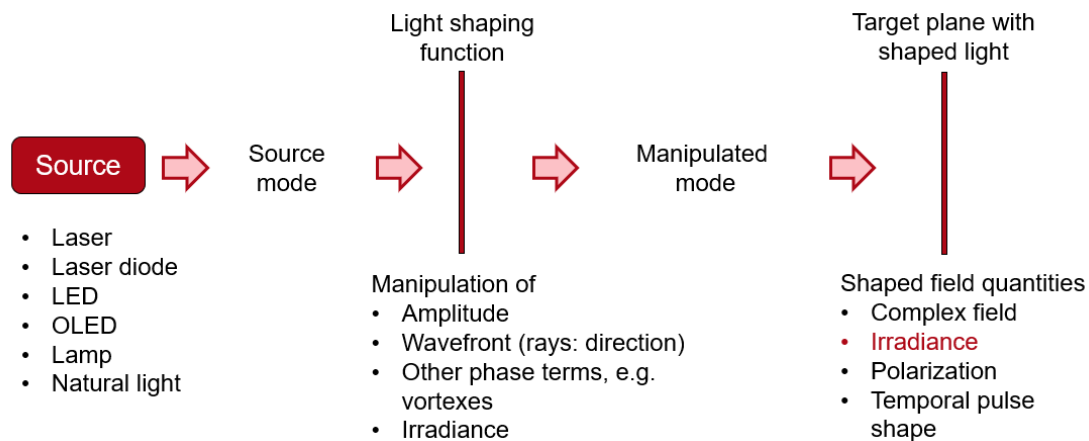
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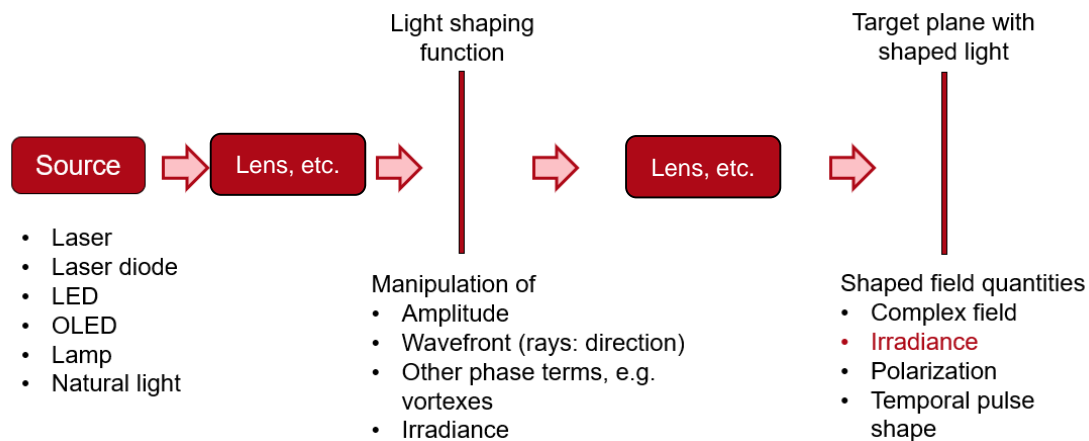




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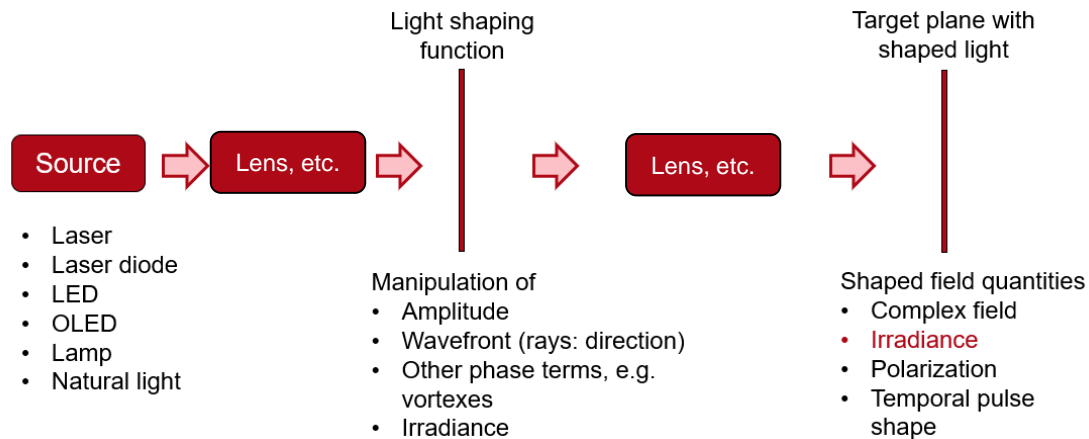


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Physical optics enables  
strategies for the  
**functional design!**

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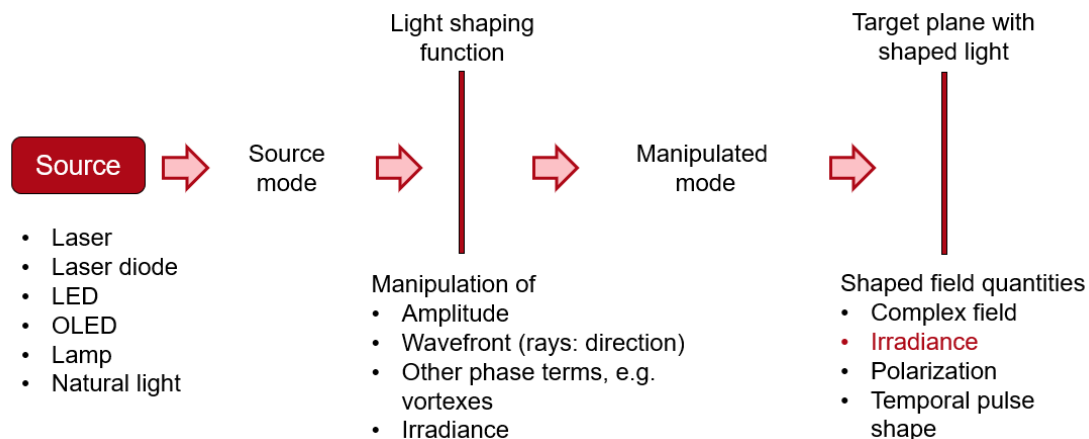
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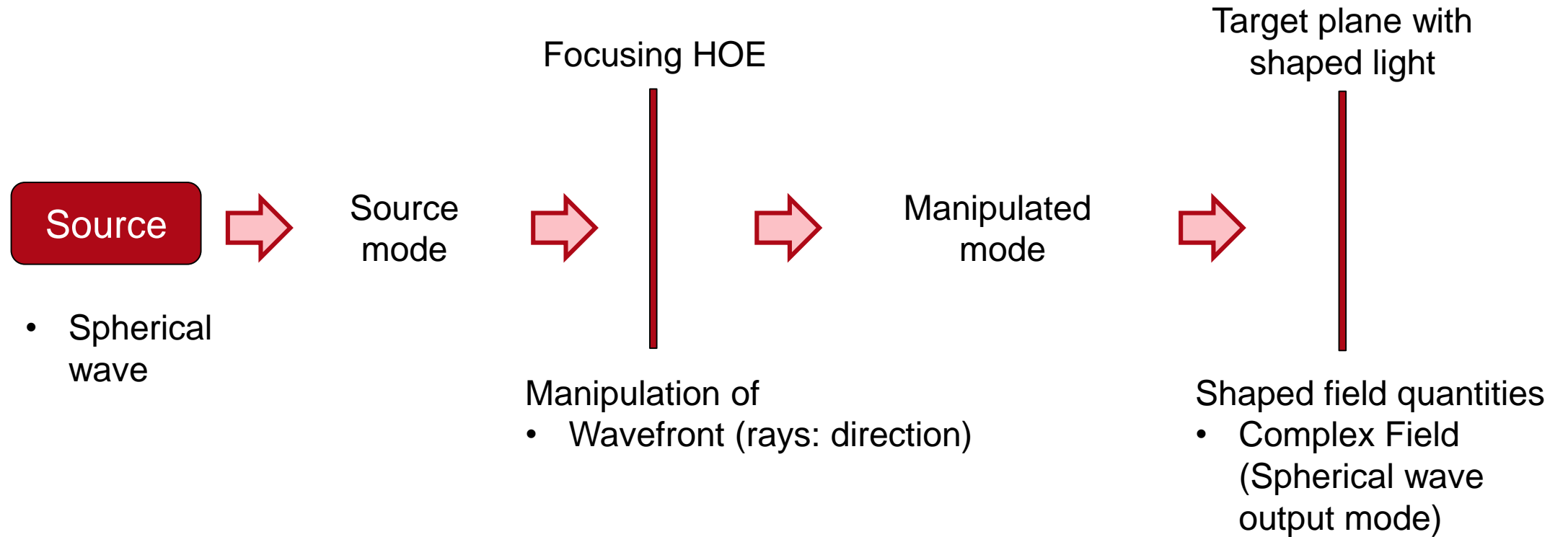
Functional design provides a strong foundation for the subsequent **structural design**.



## **Example 1: Wavefront Control**

Design of an high-NA focusing holographic optical element (HOE)

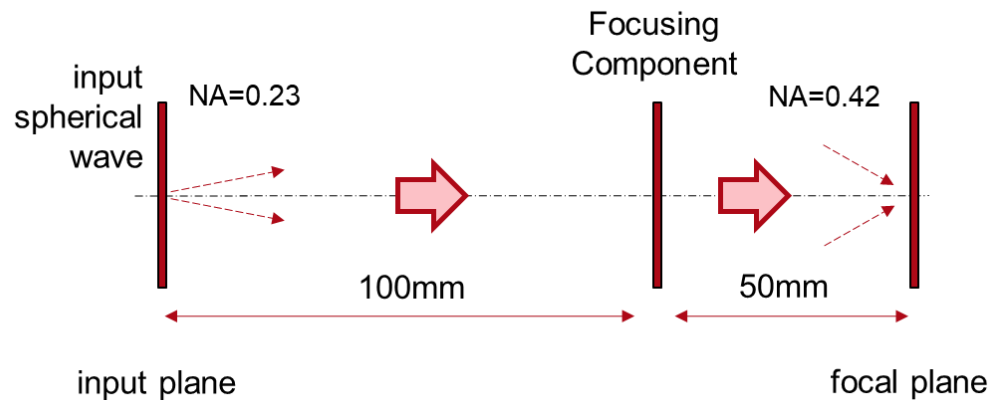
# Light Shaping Task



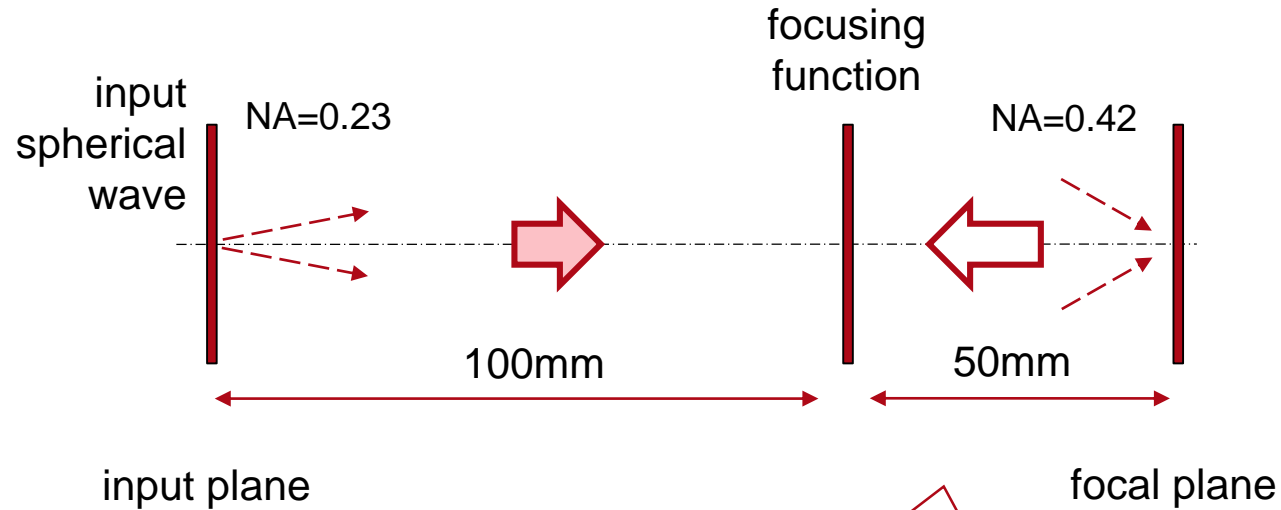
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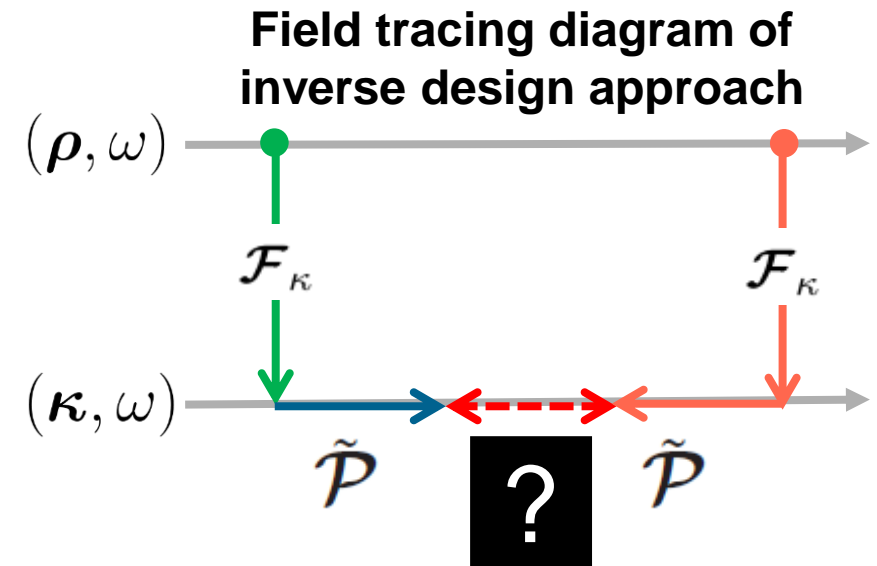
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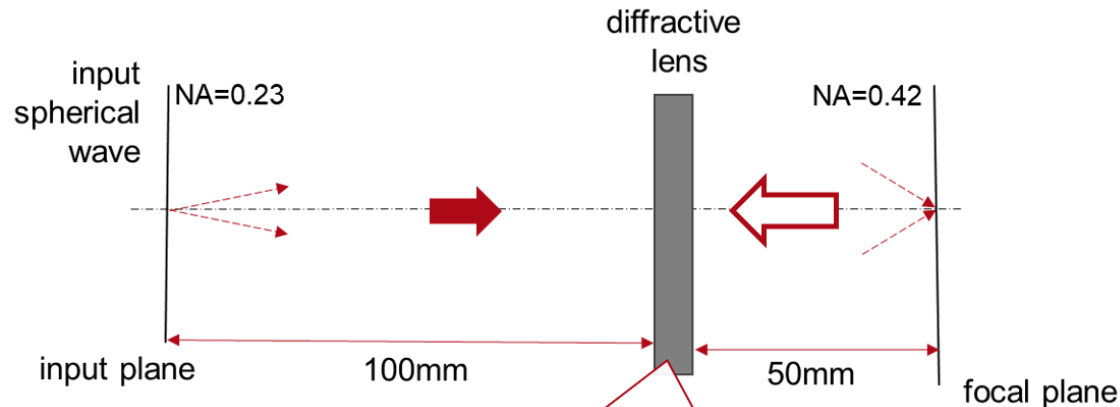
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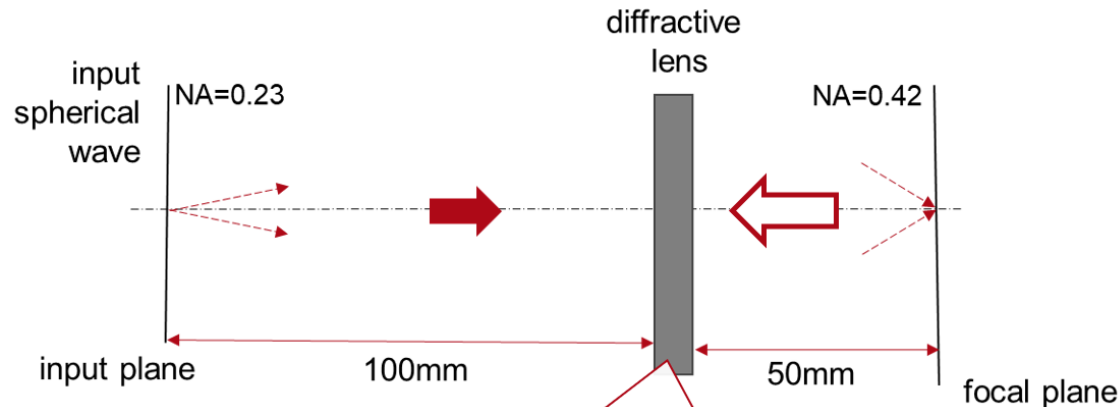


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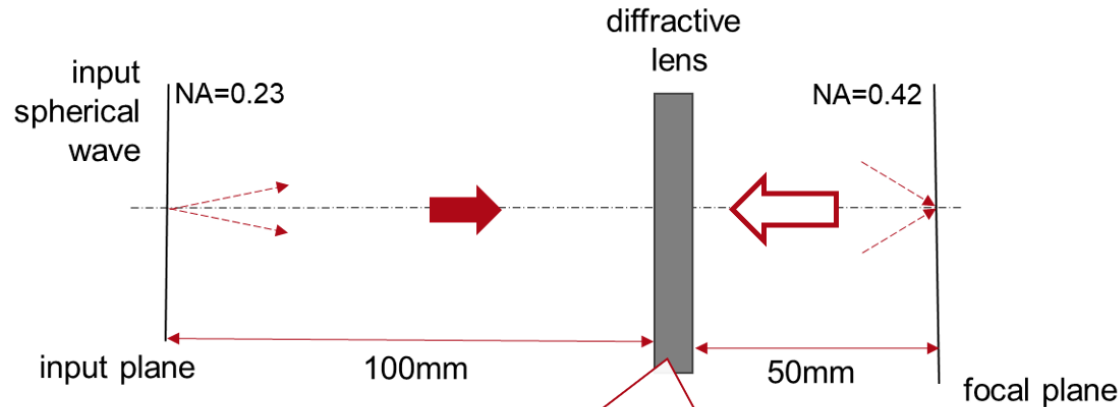
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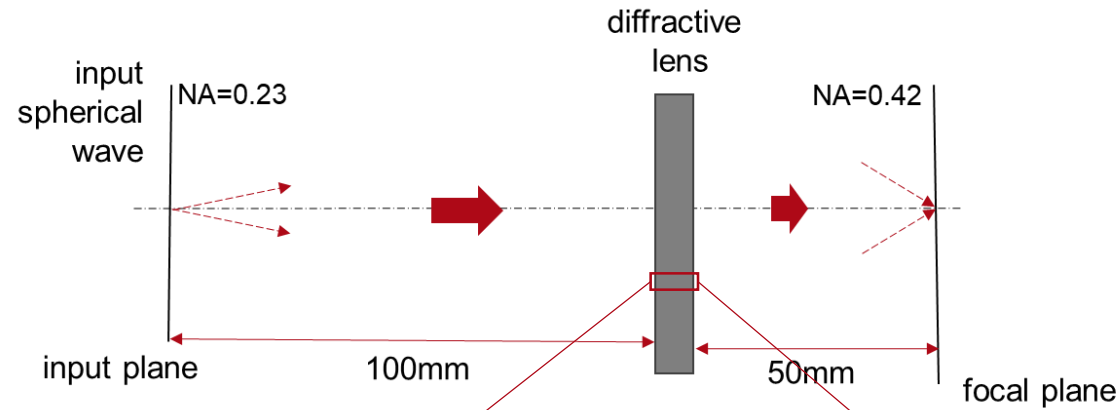
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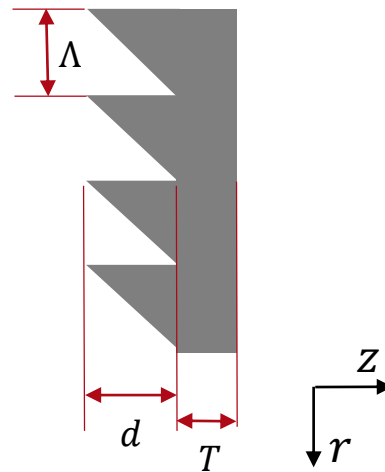
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- Local periods of diffractive lens follow directly from phase design in functional design step.

# Light Shaping Design: Diffractive Lens (HOE)



local grating: sawtooth type



$\Lambda$ : grating period

$$\Lambda(x, y) = \frac{2\pi}{|\nabla\varphi(x, y)|}$$

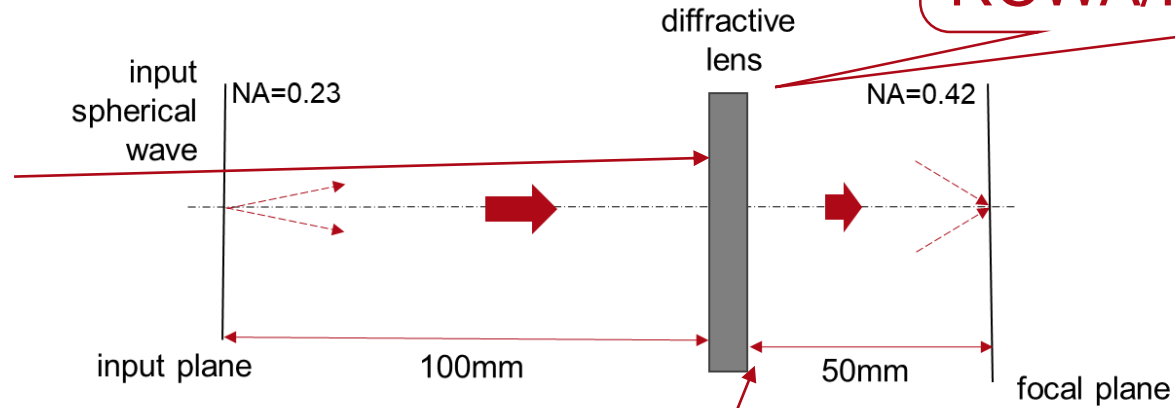
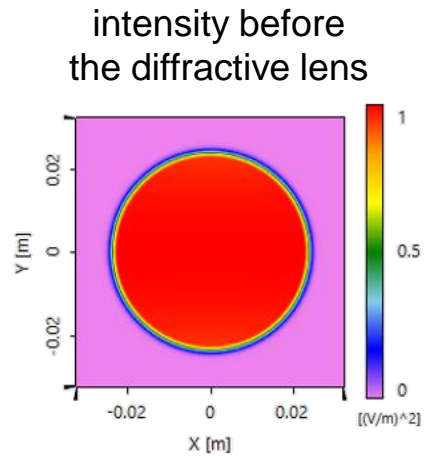
$d$ : modulation depth

$T$ : thickness of base block.

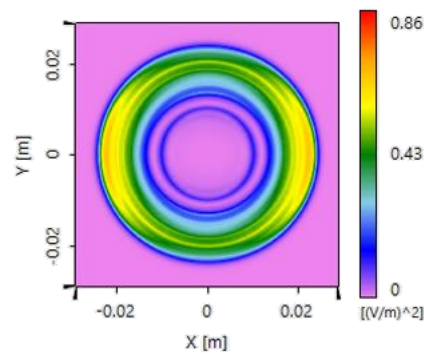
For the design, the thickness of the base block is set as zero,  $T = 0$

# Imaging with Diffractive Lens

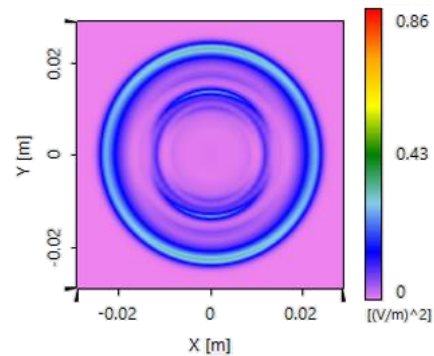
Modeling with rigorous  
RCWA/FMM



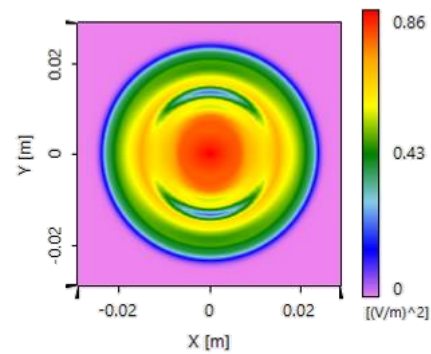
intensity behind the diffractive lens



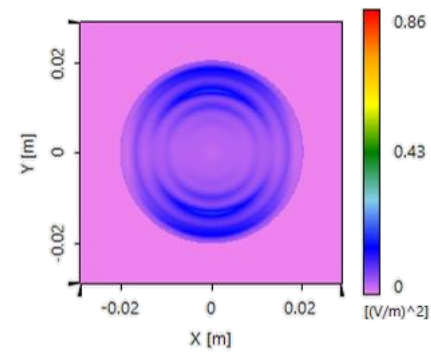
-1 order



0 order

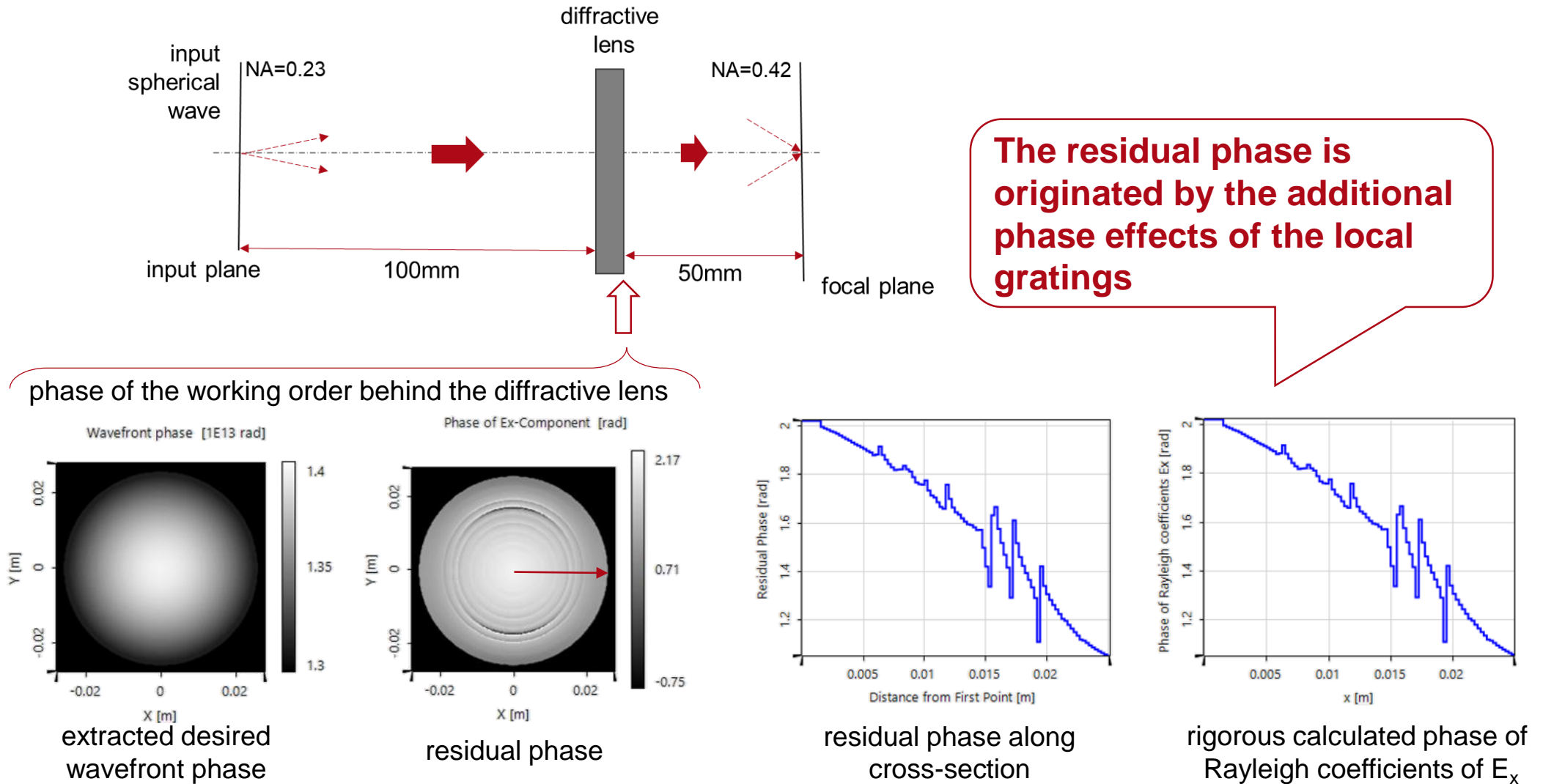


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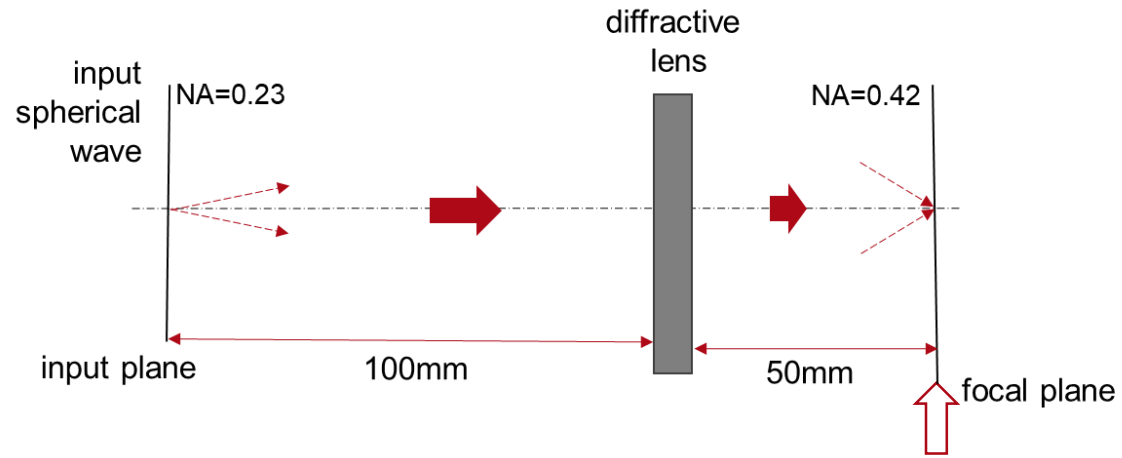


+2 order

# Imaging with Diffractive Lens

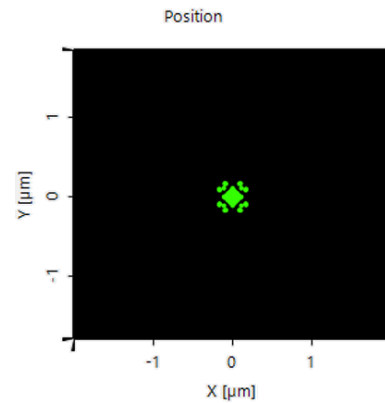


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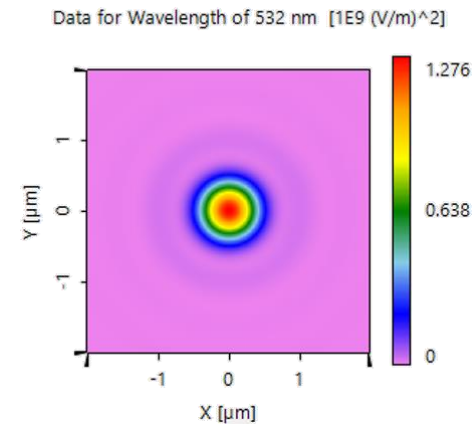
**The diffractive lens is designed by physical optics approach**

Ray tracing result



Dot pattern of the working order

Field tracing result



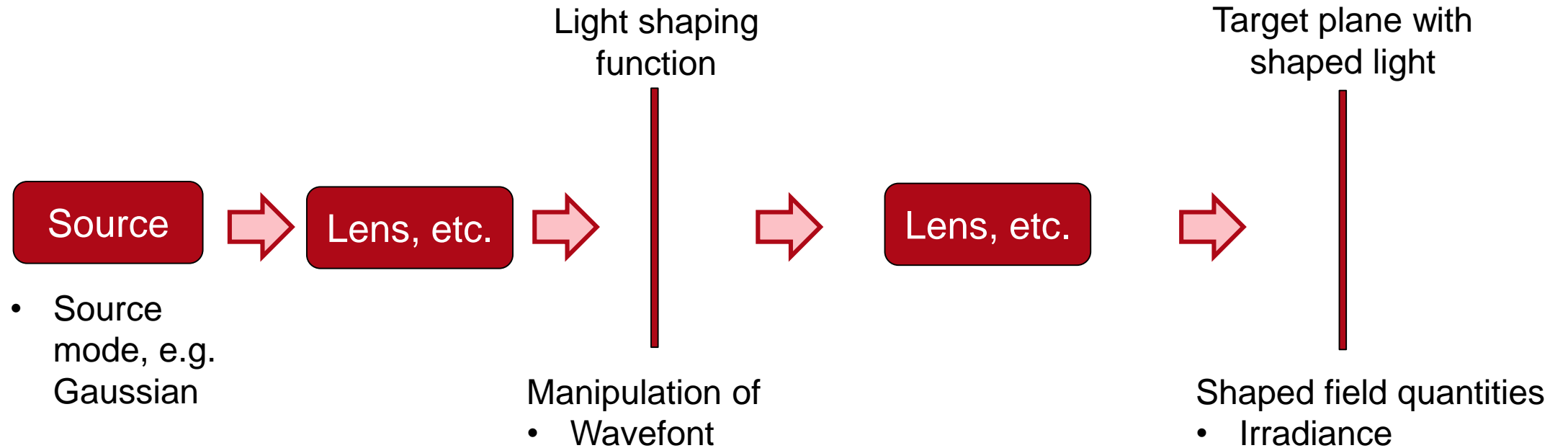
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## **Example 2: Irradiance Control**

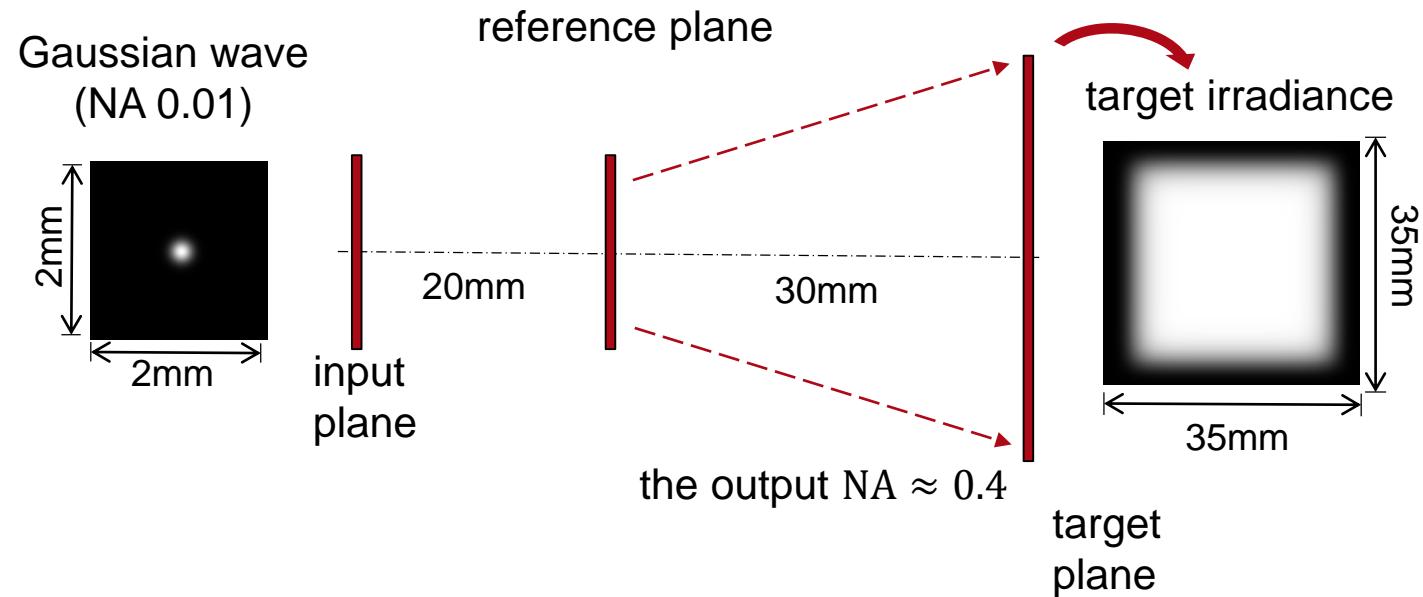
Design of an High-NA Beam Shaper for Top Hat Generation



# Light Shaping by Irradiance Control

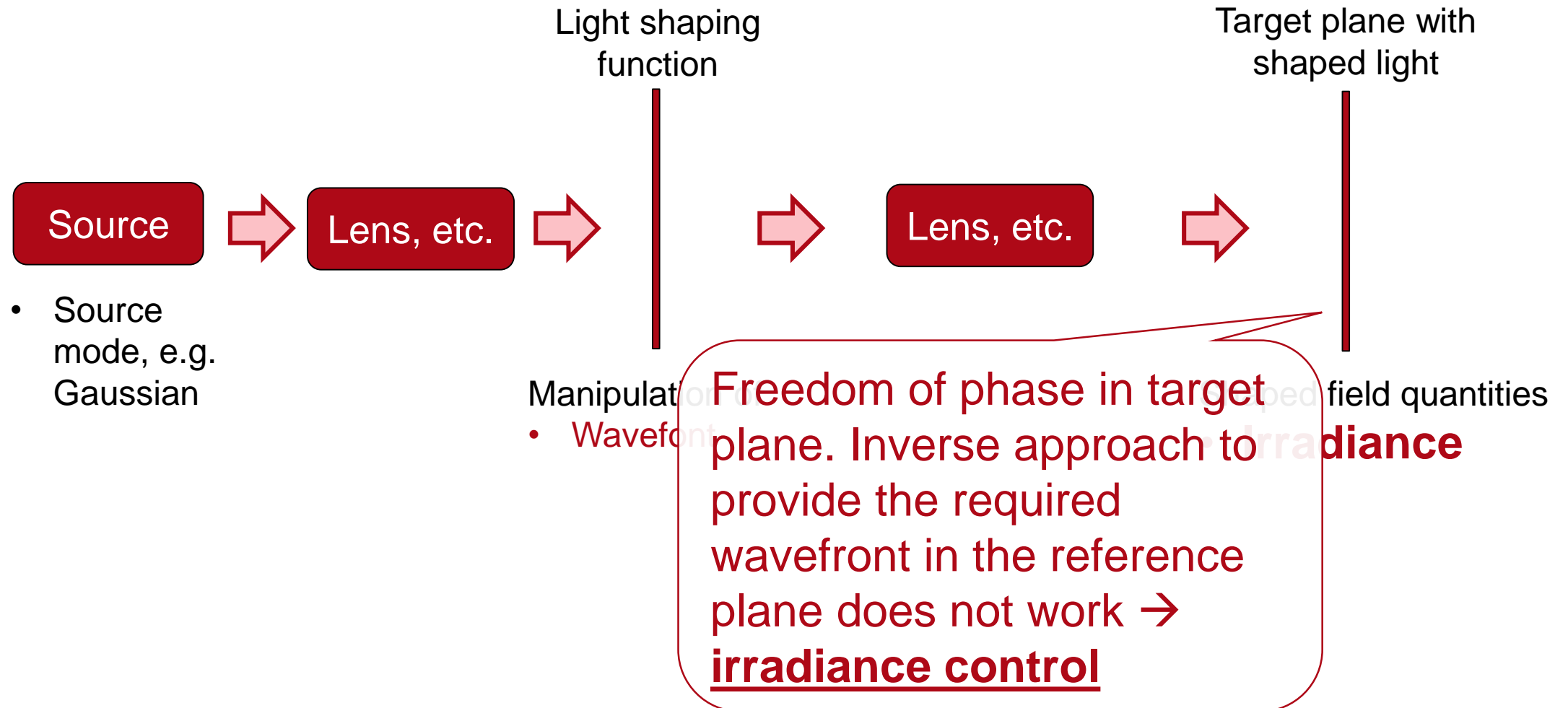


# Gaussian to Top-Hat (Non-paraxial)



The Rayleigh lengths of the input Gaussian is  $555.6\mu\text{m}$

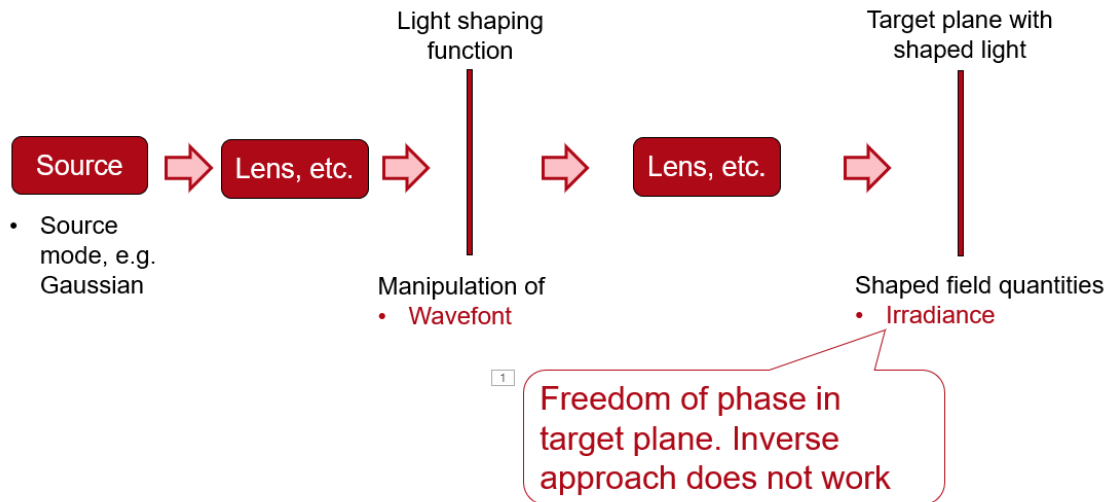
# Light Shaping by Wavefront Control



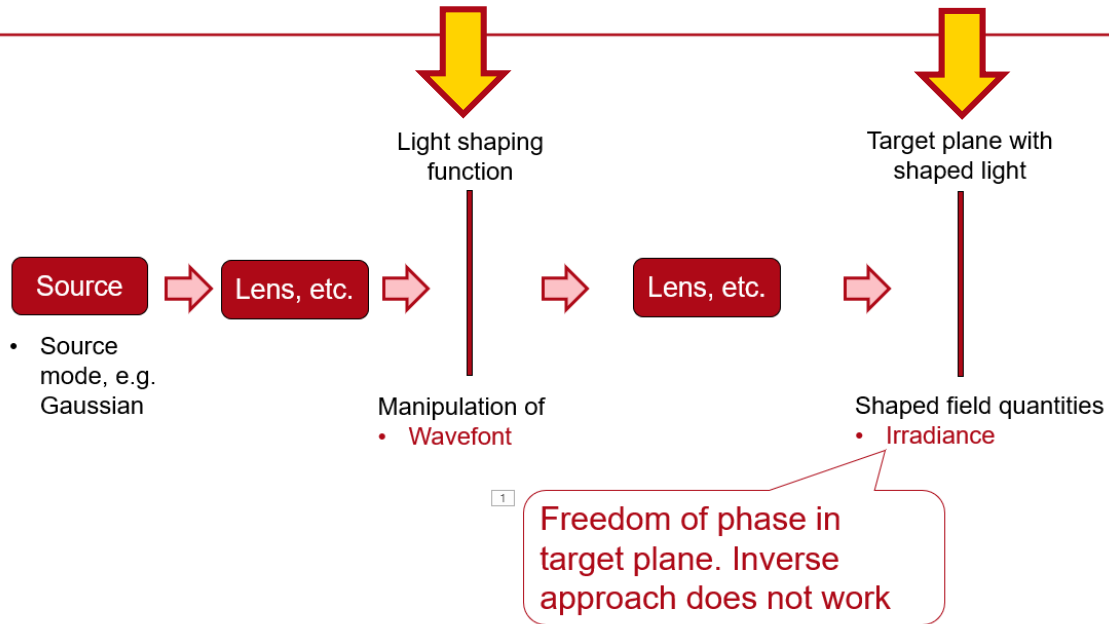
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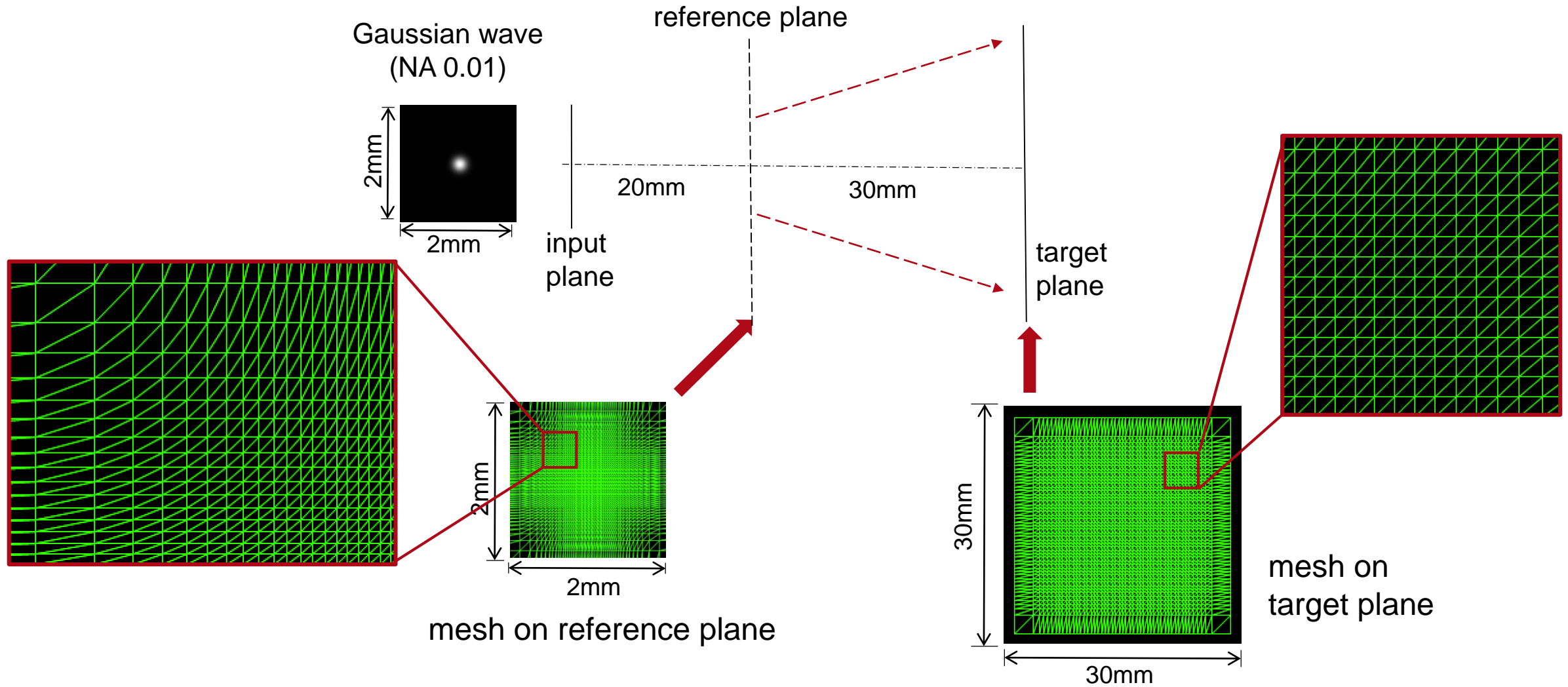


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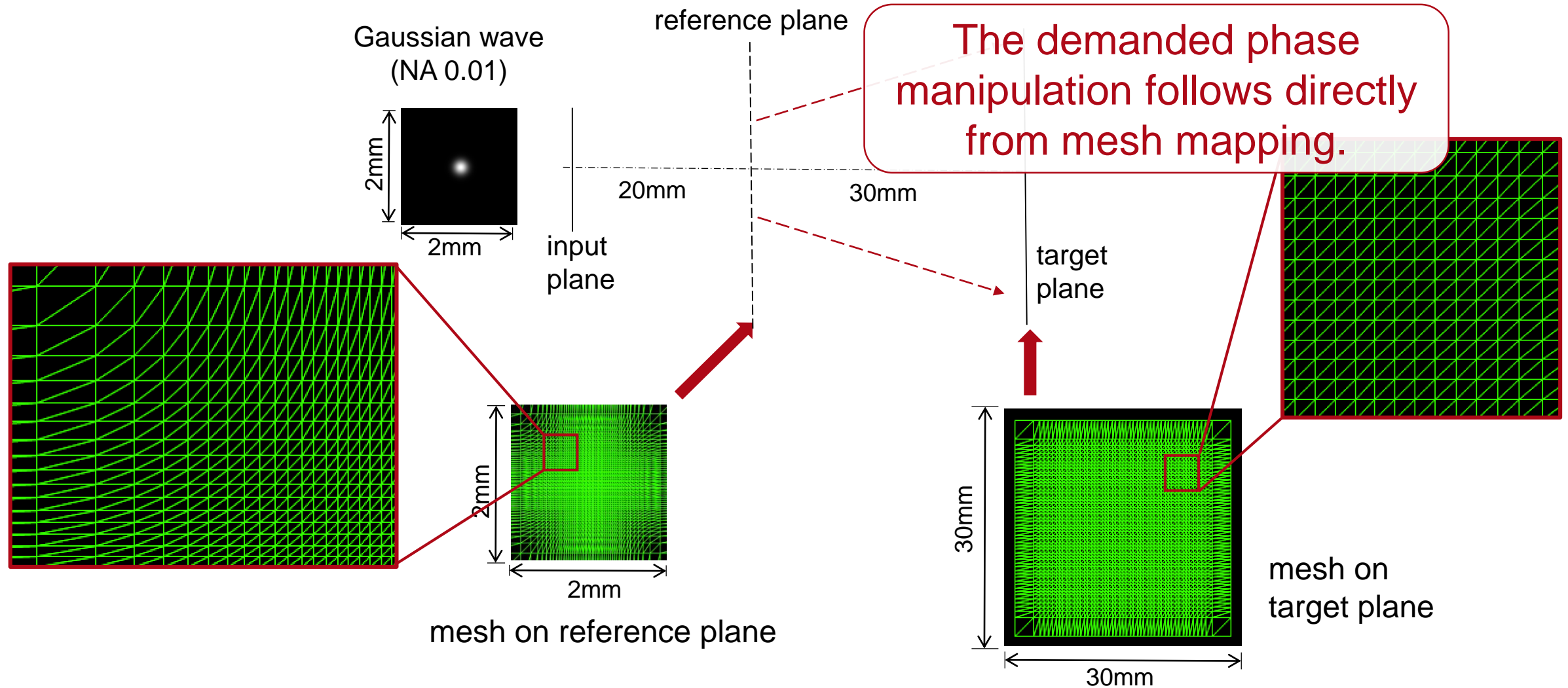
- Energy conservation leads to identity of integral over irradiances in shaper and target planes.
- Together with geometric zone assumption phase for wavefront manipulation can be designed.

# Gaussian to Top-Hat (Non-paraxial): Functional Design

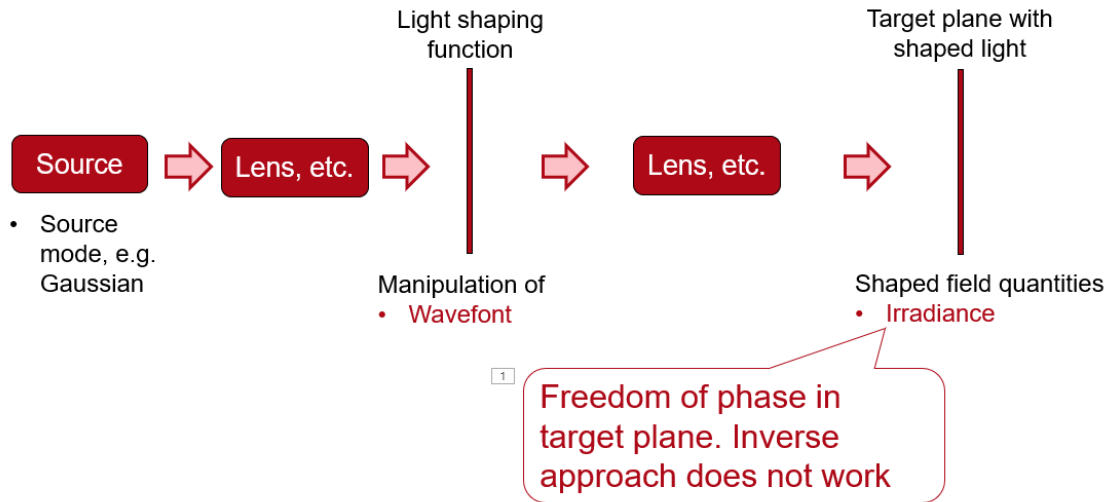




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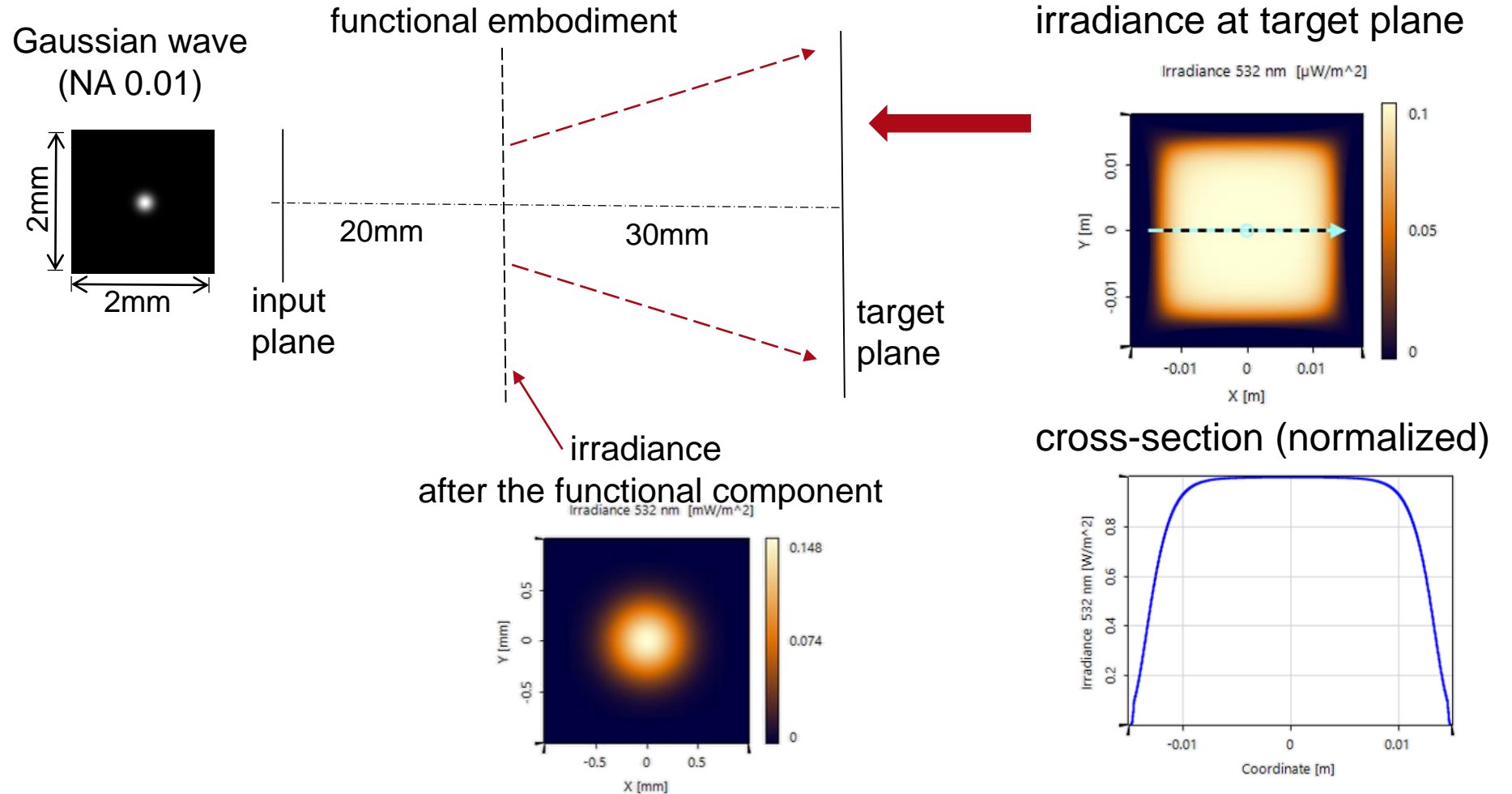
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- VirtualLab Fusion provides technique for functional design in light shaping.

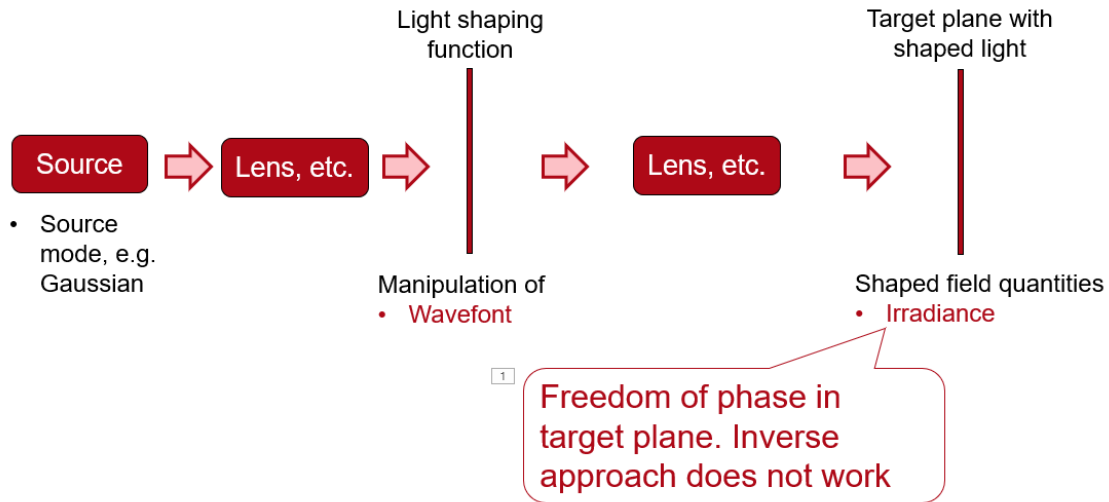


- Demanded phase for wavefront change is known.

# Gaussian to Top-Hat (Non-paraxial): Functional Design



# Light Shaping Design: Structural

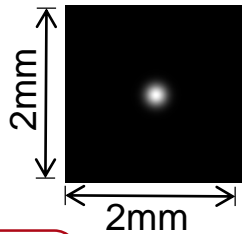


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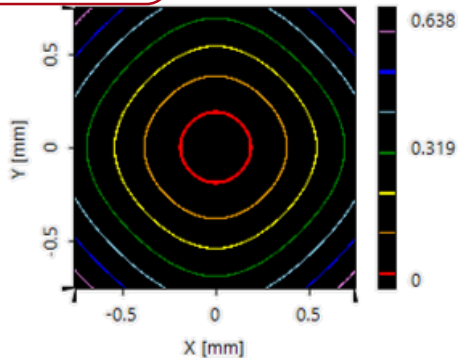
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# Gaussian to Top-Hat (Non-paraxial): Freeform Surface Design

Gaussian wave  
(NA 0.01)



Maximum  
Height 638  $\mu\text{m}$



Height Profile  
(2D Contour line)

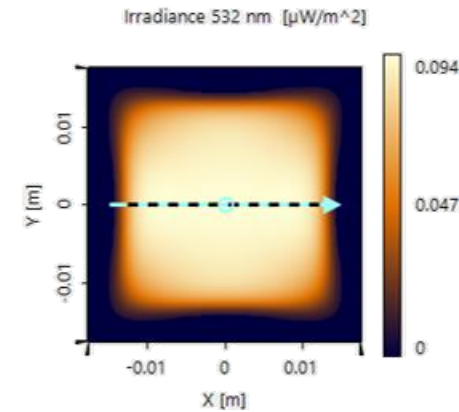
freeform  
element

20mm

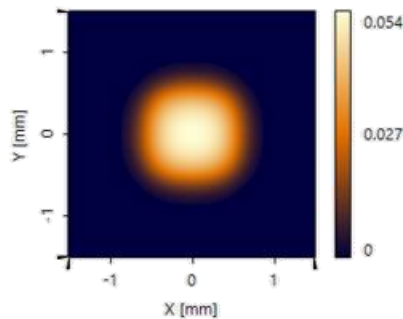
30mm

target  
plane

irradiance at target plane

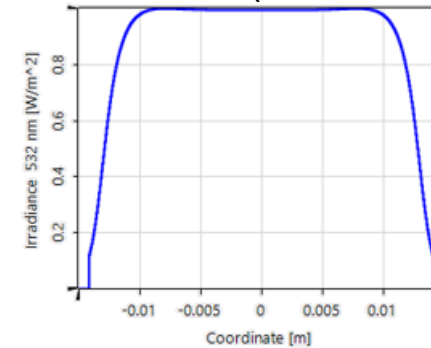


Irradiance 532 nm [ $\text{mW}/\text{m}^2$ ]

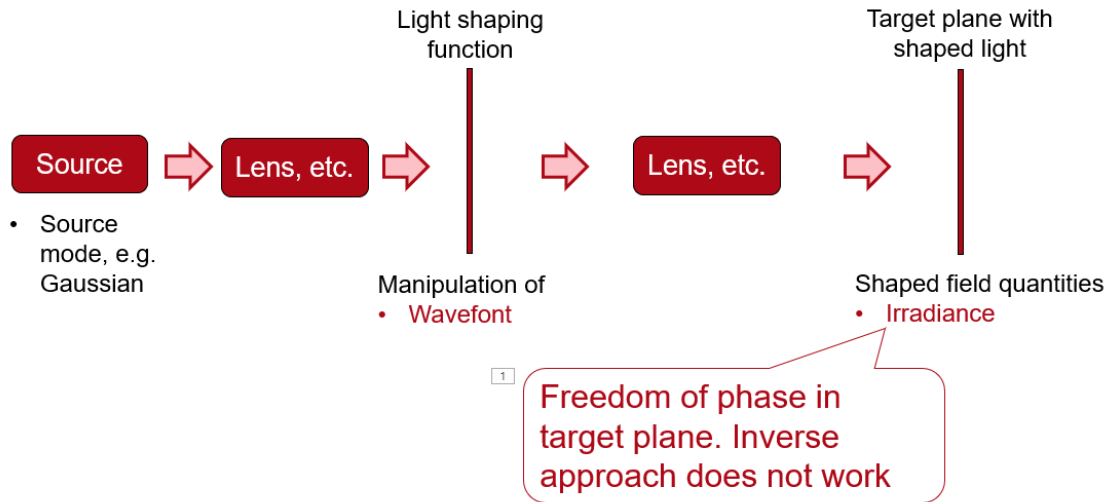


irradiance behind the surface

cross-section (normalized)



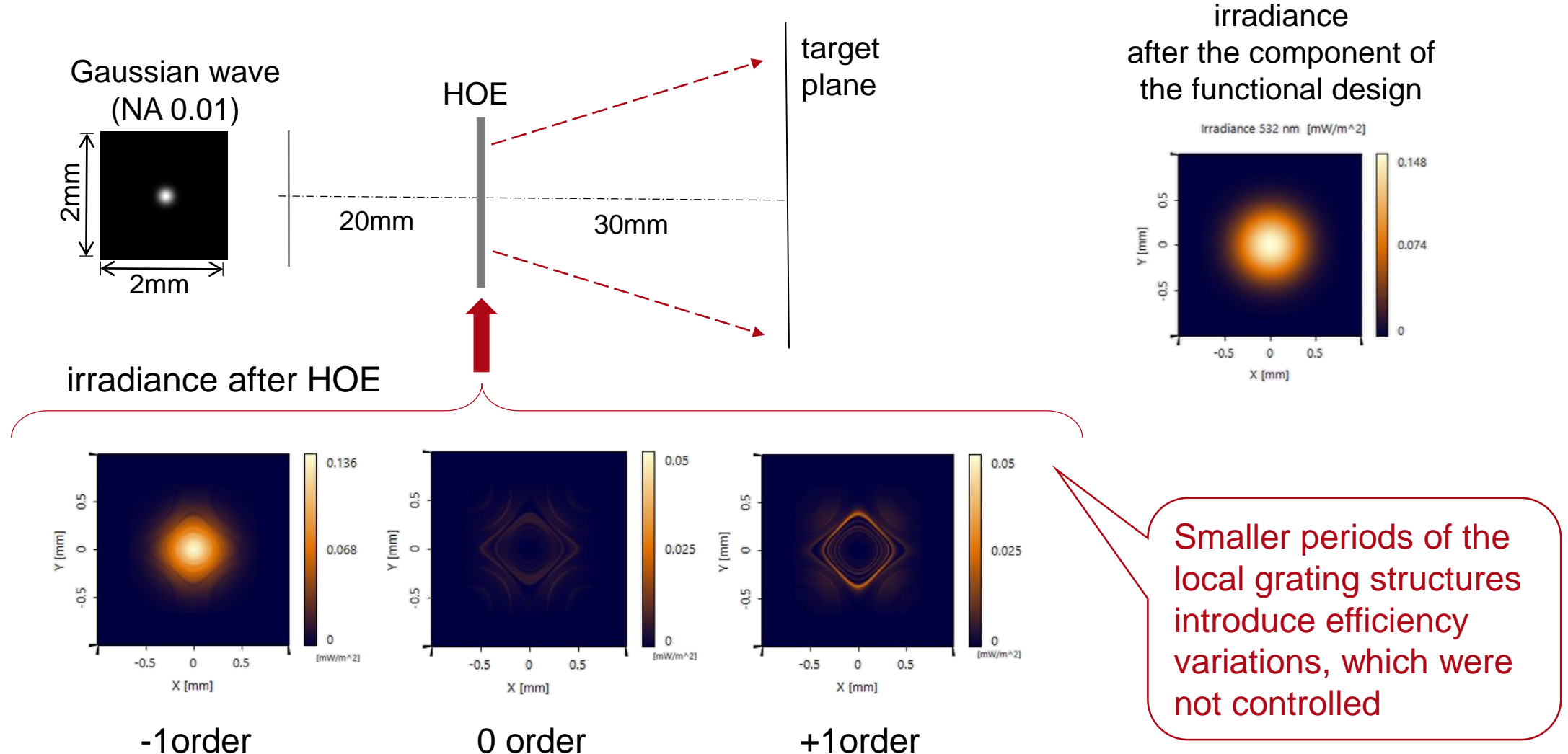
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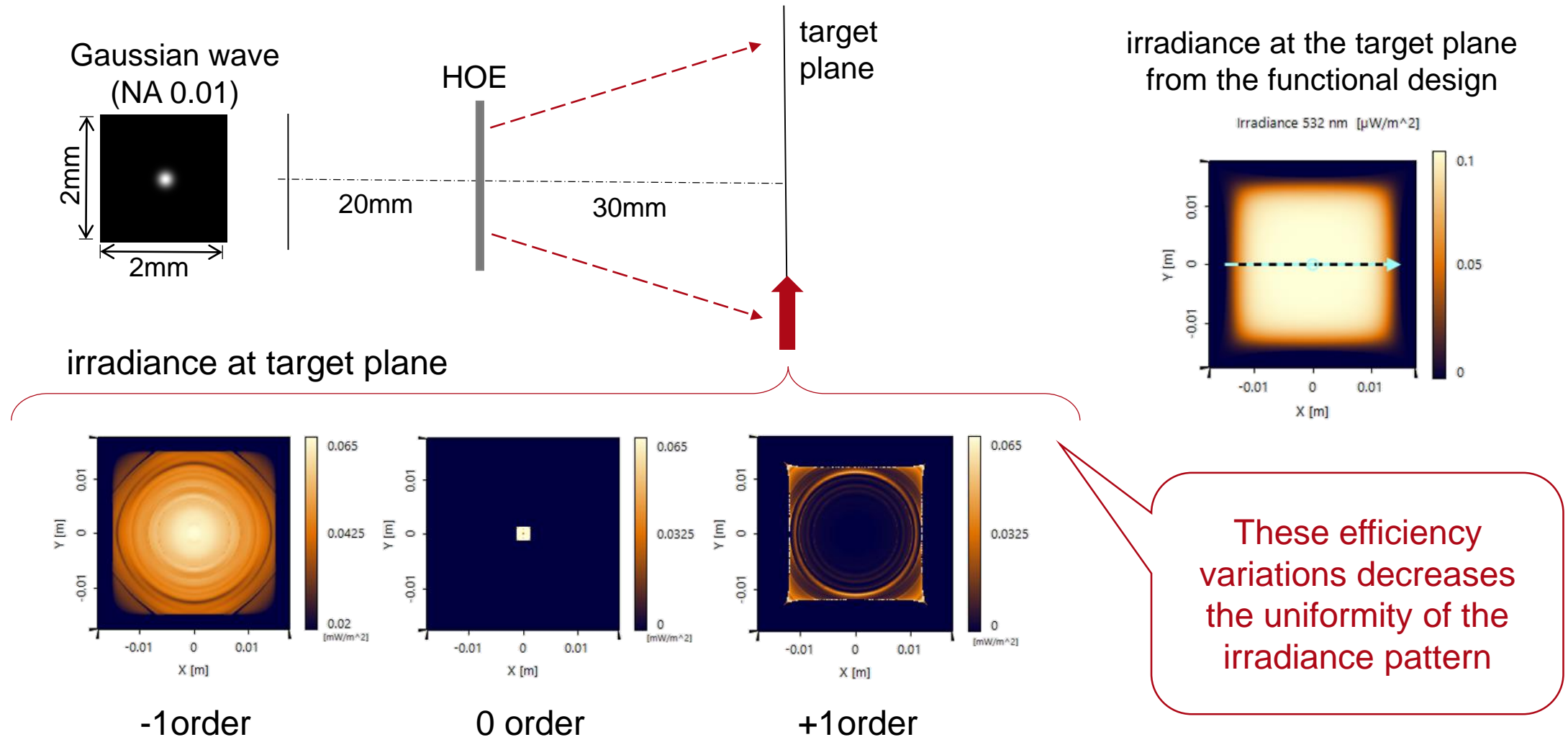
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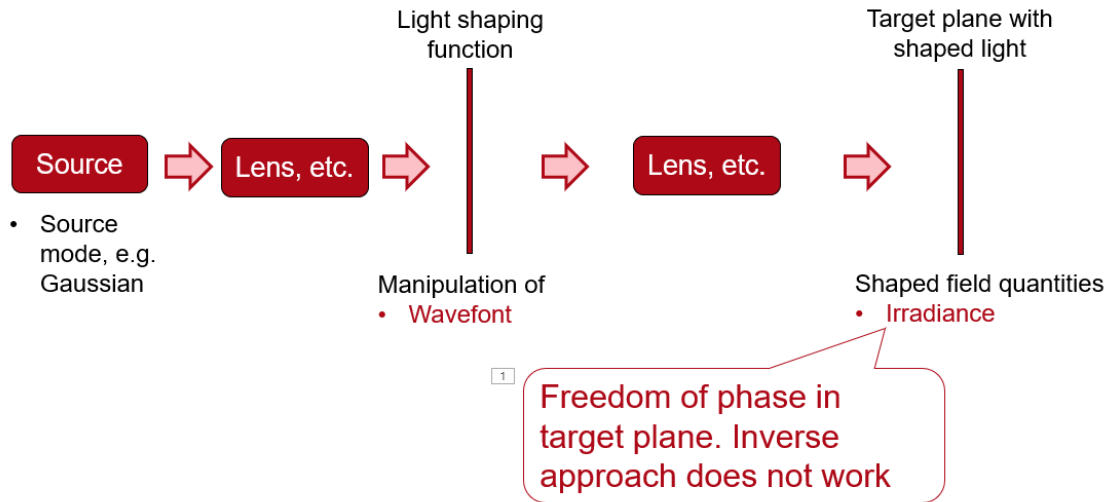




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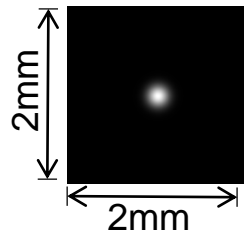


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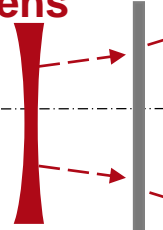
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Gaussian wave  
(NA 0.01)



20mm

spherical  
lens

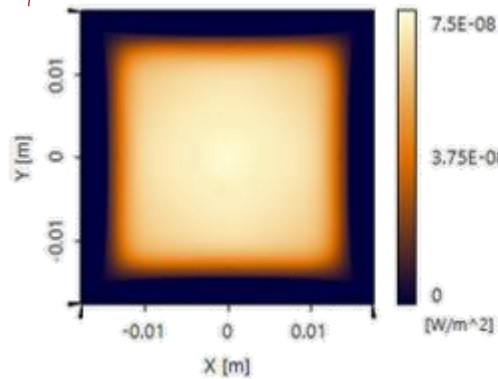


HOE

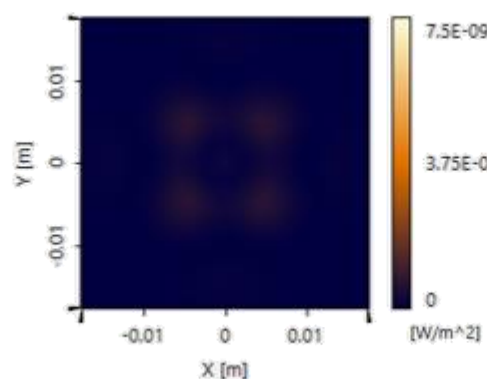
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target  
plane

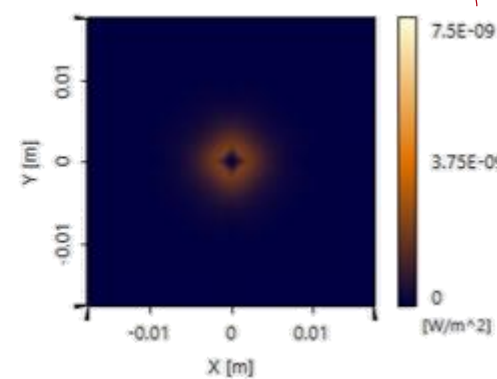
irradiance at target plane



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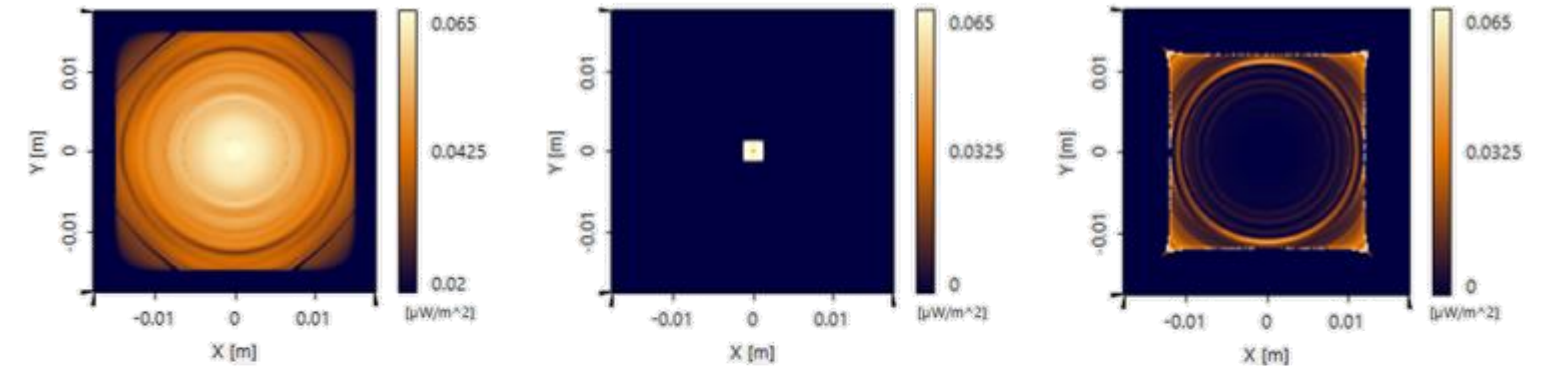


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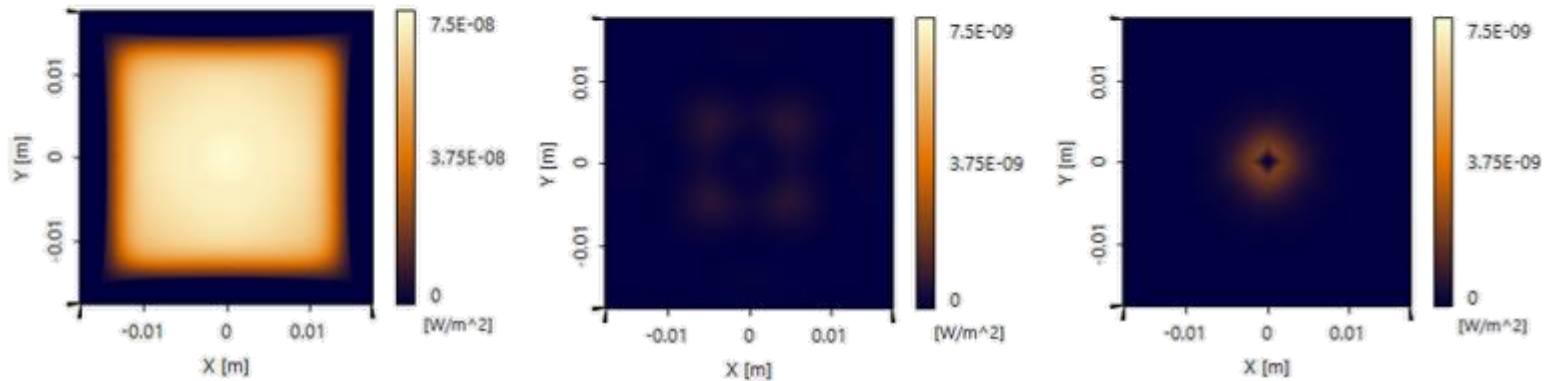
# Gaussian to „top-hat“ (Non-paraxial)

The result irradiance on target plane is compared with the previous case without the lens.

without the lens



with the lens



-1order

0 order

+1order

# Summary

- Fast physical optics is as fast as ray tracing (geometric zones of a system)
- Fast physical optics enables numerous innovative solutions in light shaping.
- All examples in talk were provided by **VirtualLab Fusion software**.
- **LightTrans International:**  
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