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Laser System Modeling with Fast Physical Optics

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- Interaction with packaging / thermal / environmental effects is of concern

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Non-Sequential Optical Field Tracing

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Intergal operator is a N² operation!

Rigorous propagation in *x*-domain (Rayleigh-Sommerfeld integral):

$$V^{\text{out}}(\boldsymbol{\rho}, z) \propto \int \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} V^{\text{in}}(\boldsymbol{\rho}', z_0) \frac{\exp(\mathrm{i}k_0 \check{n}R)}{R} \left(\mathrm{i}k_0 \check{n} - \frac{1}{R}\right) \frac{\Delta z}{R} \,\mathrm{d}^2 \boldsymbol{\rho}'$$

with $R = \sqrt{(x - x')^2 + (y - y')^2 + (\Delta z)^2}$.

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Maxwell's equations in *k*-domain:

$$\check{k} \times \tilde{E}(\kappa, z, \omega) = \omega \mu_0 \tilde{H}(\kappa, z, \omega)$$
Simple product is
a *N* operation!

$$\tilde{E}(\kappa, z, \omega)$$
Rigorous propaga n in *k*-domain:

$$\tilde{V}^{\text{out}}(\kappa, z) = \tilde{V}^{\text{in}}(\kappa, z_0) \times \exp\left(i\check{k}_z(\kappa)\Delta z\right)$$

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 - 4. The field sampling number N should be minimized
 - Semi-analytical Fourier transform
 Z. Wang *et al.*, "The semi-analytical fast Fourier transform," Proc. DGaO (2017)
- Fourier transforms
- Geometric Fourier transform
 F. Wyrowski *et al.*, "The geometric Fourier transform," Proc.
 DGaO (2017)

Implementation

- All algorithms are implemented in the physical optics simulation and design software VirtualLab Fusion
- VirtualLab Fusion is developed, following the field tracing concept, by Wyrowski Photonics UG, Jena, Germany
- Visit German pavilion @booth 4629-48 for more infomation



Example – Focusing Properties inside Crystal

 Many laser crystals are made out of birefringent materials whose optical properties depends strongly on the polarization of light and the orientation of the crystal



The optic axis of the crystal is first set along the *x* direction, then along the *y* direction

Field Tracing Diagram



• Light distribution at different depth (o.a. along y direction)



M. Jain et al., J. Opt. Soc. Am. A 26, 691-698 (2009)

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Example – Stress Birefringence

- Laser-based soldering
 - Contact free heating, versatile to use
 - Localized and minimized input of energy
 - Flux-free processing, no contamination

P. Ribes-Pleguezuelo et al., Opt. Express 25, 5927-5940 (2017)



Photo from Fraunhofer IOF

- ANSYS
 - Structural/material definition
 - Transient thermal analysis
 - Stress simulation inside crystal component

- VirtualLab
 - Convert stress into optical permittivity data
 - Simulation of field propagation through birefringent materials

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Changes in impermeability tensor

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Example: piezo-optic constant tensor for YAG crystal

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Permittivity tensor

$$\begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_1 & \epsilon_6 & \epsilon_5 \\ \epsilon_6 & \epsilon_2 & \epsilon_4 \\ \epsilon_5 & \epsilon_4 & \epsilon_3 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\left[\epsilon_{ij} \right]^{-1} = [B_{ij}]$$

Impermeability tensor



VirtualLab Simulation

Convert stress to optical permittivity



Conversion from stress tensor to the corresponding permittivity tensor is implemented by using the programmable component in VirtualLab

Input field Applied stress Output field lacksquare1) @1064 nm I (a) no stress $|E_{\chi}|$ $|E_y|$ (b) actual stress (waist radius 50 µm) 2) @532 nm $|E_{\chi}|$ $|E_y|$ (c) 10x stress (waist radius 50 µm)

Note: we set the polarization

according to the SHG configuration

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Example – Thermal Lens Effect



- simulation of a Gaussian beam focused by thermal lens effect induced by a high power laser.
- the refractive index n(x, y) of the thermal lens changes with varying input power.

Specifications: Light Source



Parameter	Description / Value
coherence/mode	single Laguerre Gaussian (0,0) and (1,0) mode
wavelength	632.8 nm
polarization	linear in x-direction (0°)
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Deam waist radius	simulation 2: (1,0) mode: 1mm

Specifications: Thermal Lens

• Refractive index is

$$n(x,y) = n_0 - \frac{\eta P_{\text{in}}}{4K\pi d} \cdot \frac{\delta n}{\delta T} \cdot \frac{r^2}{r_0^2}$$

with $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$, r_0 and d are shown in the figure, P_{in} is input power, K, η and $\frac{\delta n}{\delta T}$ are temperature-related parameters which can be found in [1]

- Here the values are
 - $r_0 = 0.31$ cm, d = 7.5 cm

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$$K = 11.1 \text{ W/(cm^{\circ}C)}, \eta = 0.05, \frac{\delta n}{\delta T} = 7.3 \times 10^{-6} \,^{\circ}\text{C}^{-1}$$



Highlight

arbitrarily customizable refractive index profile

Specifications: Detector



Position	Modeling Technique	Detector/Analyzer
а	field tracing	beam parameters for different input beams and input power values
b	field tracing	amplitude of E_x , E_y , E_z when input is (1,0) mode

Results: (0,0) Mode

- Using the *Parameter Run* document, one can calculate the output beam parameters for input powers varying from 8kW to 20kW. The detector is at position *a*.
 - Absolute value of *Waist Distance* (distance *a* with respect to *b*) is distance *D*.
 - Waist Diameter is the waist diameter in focal plane (position b).



Results: (0,0) Mode



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- For the thermal lens with applied 18kW the simulated distance *D* is 91.0mm.
- The technique to propagate fields through the thermal lens is described in [2].
- The technique to propagate fields from position *a* to *b* is diffractive propagation integral [3].

Results: (1,0) Mode



field tracing techniques







Summary



Announcement

- "Fast propagation of electromagnetic field through gradedindex media", H. Zhong *et al.*, 30 January 2018, 3:05 – 3:25 PM
- "Non-paraxial diffractive and refractive laser beam shaping",
 L. Yang *et al.*, 1 February 2018, 2:25 2:45 PM

Free Optical Design Seminar

 "Analysis and Design of Diffractive and Micro-Optical Systems with VirtualLab Fusion"
 2 Feburary 2018, 09:30 – 16:15