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NANOBIOPHOTONICS





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.. application of optical science and technology to the study of nanoscale biological processes.



Basic Sciences · · · Optics · · · Technical Sciences

Nanoscience · · · NANO-OPTICS · · · Nanotechnology

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OPTICS - BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING BUILDING PROJECT



PROTEINS WORKING IN SYNCHRONY



Cell signaling and coordination are true marvels of nature !

BIOLOGICAL BUILDING BLOCKS



Biology functions through highly coordinated and complex interactions among nanostructures. Biology is Nanobiotechnology !







From DNA to AMINOACIDS to PROTEINS



HOW TO MEASURE PROTEINS ?



10 mp

Freeze-fracture electron micrograph of the thylakoid membranes from the chloroplast of a plant cell. AFM topographs of purple membrane from Halobacterium salinarium.

A. Engel, MSB Biozentrum, Basel, Switzerland.

SPATIAL RESOLUTION VS.CHEMICAL INFORMATION



HOW TO MEASURE PROTEINS ?



DOES IT WORK ?





NEW GENERATION



NEAR-FIELD TWO-PHOTON EXCITED FLUORESCENCE



PHOTOSYNTHETIC MEMBRANE



NEAR-FIELD RAMAN SCATTERING ?



WHY RAMAN SCATTERING ?

Chemically specific ("fingerprint")

Intrinsic properties of molecular structures (no need for labels)

"No" photo-bleaching.



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Raman signals can be locally enhanced by up to 10^{14} (SERS).

LEARN WITH EFFICIENT MOLECULES ..





diameter: 0.7 - 2nm length: up to several 10 μm

- \rightarrow one dimensional systems
- well defined topography
- large σ_{Raman}
- resonance enhancement



NEAR-FIELD RAMAN SCATTERING



HIGH-RESOLUTION OPTICAL SPECTROSCOPY



NEAR-FIELD SIGNAL ENHANCEMENT



CHEMICAL SPECIFICITY



Topography



Raman scattering

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LOCALIZATION OF DEFECTS AND DOPANTS



SO WHAT ABOUT PROTEINS ??



WHERE ARE THE MISSING **10** ORDERS OF MAGNITUDE?

DIFFERENT APPROACH

METAL TIP AS A LOCALIZED PHOTON SOURCE





LET'S BE REALISTIC ..

FLUORESCENT LABELING



TEXTBOOK (Cambridge Univ. Press)

PRINCIPLES OF NANO-OPTICS

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FLUORESCENT MOLECULES



EXCITATION/DETECTION OF SINGLE MOLECULES



REDUCING INTERACTION VOLUME



SINGLE MOLECULE DETECTION





EXAMPLE



Nile Blue molecules



fluorescence rate ~ excitation rate

contrast ~ $| \boldsymbol{\mu} \cdot \boldsymbol{E}(x,y;\boldsymbol{z}_{o})|^{2}$

FIELDS NEAR A STRONGLY FOCUSED BEAM ?!

$$\mathbf{E}(x) = \mathbf{E}_o e^{i k_x x} \longrightarrow \mathbf{E}(x,t) = \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \mathbf{E}(x) e^{-i \omega t} \right\}$$

$$\mathbf{E}(x, y, z) = \mathbf{E}_o e^{i (k_x x + k_y y + k_z z)} = \mathbf{E}_o e^{i \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}}$$

$$k^2 = \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} = k_x^2 + k_y^2 + k_z^2$$

ANGULAR SPECTRUM REPRESENTATION



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$$\hat{\mathbf{E}}(k_x, k_y; z) = \hat{\mathbf{E}}(k_x, k_y; 0) e^{\pm i k_z z}$$

$$k_z \equiv \sqrt{(k^2 - k_x^2 - k_y^2)}$$
 with $Im\{k_z\} \ge 0$

$$\mathbf{E}(x, y, z) = \iint_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{\mathbf{E}}(k_x, k_y; 0) e^{i \left[k_x x + k_y y \pm k_z z\right]} dk_x dk_y$$

Plane waves :	$\mathrm{e}^{i\left[k_x x + k_y y\right]} \mathrm{e}^{\pm i\left k_z\right z},$	$k_x^2 + k_y^2 \leq k^2$
Evanescent waves :	$\mathrm{e}^{i\left[k_xx+k_yy\right]}\mathrm{e}^{-\left k_z\right \left z\right },$	$k_x^2 + k_y^2 > k^2$

ANGULAR SPECTRUM REPRESENTATION



PARAXIAL APPROXIMATION / GAUSSIAN BEAMS

$$k_z = k \sqrt{1 - (k_x^2 + k_y^2)/k^2} \approx k - \frac{(k_x^2 + k_y^2)}{2k}$$

$$\mathbf{E}(x',y',0) = \mathbf{E}_o e^{-\frac{x'^2+y'^2}{w_o^2}} \longrightarrow \hat{\mathbf{E}}(k_x,k_y;0) = \mathbf{E}_o \frac{w_o^2}{4\pi} e^{-(k_x^2+k_y^2)\frac{w_o^2}{4}}$$

$$\mathbf{E}(x, y, z) = \mathbf{E}_o \frac{w_o^2}{4\pi} e^{ikz} \iint_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-(k_x^2 + k_y^2)(\frac{w_o^2}{4} + \frac{iz}{2k})} e^{i[k_x x + k_y y]} dk_x dk_y$$

PARAXIAL APPROXIMATION / GAUSSIAN BEAMS

$$\mathbf{E}(\rho, z) = \mathbf{E}_o \frac{w_o}{w(z)} e^{-\frac{\rho^2}{w^2(z)}} e^{i[kz - \eta(z) + k\rho^2/2R(z)]} \qquad z_o = \frac{k w_o^2}{2},$$



HIGHER-ORDER PARAXIAL BEAMS



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FARFIELDS OF THE ANGULAR SPECTRUM

$$\mathbf{E}_{\infty}(s_x, s_y, s_z) = \lim_{\substack{kr \to \infty \\ (k_x^2 + k_y^2) \le k^2}} \iint_{\mathbf{E}} \hat{\mathbf{E}}(k_x, k_y; 0) \ \mathrm{e}^{i\,kr\left[\frac{k_x}{k}s_x + \frac{k_y}{k}s_y \pm \frac{k_z}{k}s_z\right]} \ dk_x \ dk_y$$

$$\mathbf{s}=(s_x,s_y,s_z)=(\frac{x}{r},\frac{y}{r},\frac{z}{r})$$

Method of stationary phase:

$$\mathbf{E}_{\infty}(s_x, s_y, s_z) = -2\pi i k \, s_z \, \hat{\mathbf{E}}(k s_x, k s_y; 0) \, \frac{\mathrm{e}^{i \, k r}}{r} \qquad \mathbf{s} = (s_x, s_y, s_z) = (\frac{k_x}{k}, \frac{k_y}{k}, \frac{k_z}{k})$$

ample:

$$\hat{\mathbf{E}}(k_x, k_y; 0) = \frac{\mathbf{E}_o}{4\pi^2} \int_{-L_y}^{+L_y} \int_{-L_x}^{+L_x} e^{-i[k_x x' + k_y y']} dx' dy'$$

$$= \mathbf{E}_o \frac{L_x L_y}{\pi^2} \frac{\sin(k_x L_x)}{k_x L_x} \frac{\sin(k_y L_y)}{k_y L_y},$$

ANGULAR SPECTRUM IN TERMS OF FARFIELD

$$\hat{\mathbf{E}}(k_x, k_y; 0) = \frac{ir e^{-ikr}}{2\pi k_z} \mathbf{E}_{\infty}(k_x, k_y)$$

$$\mathbf{E}(x, y, z) \ = \ \frac{i r \,\mathrm{e}^{-i \,k r}}{2 \pi} \iint_{(k_x^2 + k_y^2) \le k^2} \mathbf{E}_{\infty}(k_x, k_y) \ \mathrm{e}^{i [k_x x + k_y y \pm k_z z]} \ \frac{1}{k_z} \ dk_x \ dk_y$$

For $k_z \sim k$: Fourier Optics !!

REFRACTION AT LENS



$$h = f\sin(\theta)$$

$$\mathbf{E}_2| = |\mathbf{E}_1| \sqrt{\frac{n_1}{n_2}} \sqrt{\frac{\mu_2}{\mu_1}} \cos^{1/2}\theta$$

FOCUSING OF FIELDS



$$\mathbf{E}_{\infty} = \left[t^{s} \left[\mathbf{E}_{inc} \cdot \mathbf{n}_{\phi} \right] \mathbf{n}_{\phi} + t^{p} \left[\mathbf{E}_{inc} \cdot \mathbf{n}_{\rho} \right] \mathbf{n}_{\theta} \right] \sqrt{\frac{n_{1}}{n_{2}}} \left(\cos \theta \right)^{1/2}$$

EXPRESS IN TERMS OF ANGLES

$$\mathbf{n}_{\rho} = \cos \phi \, \mathbf{n}_{x} + \sin \phi \, \mathbf{n}_{y} ,$$

$$\mathbf{n}_{\phi} = -\sin \phi \, \mathbf{n}_{x} + \cos \phi \, \mathbf{n}_{y} ,$$

$$\mathbf{n}_{\theta} = \cos \theta \cos \phi \, \mathbf{n}_{x} + \cos \theta \sin \phi \, \mathbf{n}_{y} - \sin \theta \, \mathbf{n}_{z}$$

$$k_x = k \sin \theta \, \cos \phi, \quad k_y = k \sin \theta \, \sin \phi, \quad k_z = k \cos \theta \qquad \frac{1}{k_z} dk_x \, dk_y = k \, \sin \theta \, d\theta \, d\phi$$

$$x = \rho \cos \varphi, \qquad y = \rho \sin \varphi$$

$$\mathbf{E}(\rho,\varphi,z) = \frac{ikf \,\mathrm{e}^{-ikf}}{2\pi} \int_{0}^{\theta_{max}2\pi} \int_{0}^{\infty} \sum_{0}^{\mathbf{E}_{\infty}} (\theta,\phi) \,\mathrm{e}^{ikz\,\cos\theta} \,\mathrm{e}^{ik\rho\,\sin\theta\,\cos(\phi-\varphi)}\sin\theta\,d\phi\,d\theta$$

DEFINE INCIDENT FIELD

$$\mathbf{E}_{inc} = E_{inc} \mathbf{n}_x \qquad t^s_\theta = t^p_\theta = 1$$

 $\mathbf{E}_{\infty}(\theta,\phi) = E_{inc}(\theta,\phi) \left[\cos\phi \mathbf{n}_{\theta} - \sin\phi \mathbf{n}_{\phi}\right] \sqrt{n_1/n_2} \left(\cos\theta\right)^{1/2}$

$$= E_{inc}(\theta,\phi) \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} (1+\cos\theta) - (1-\cos\theta)\cos 2\phi \\ -(1-\cos\theta)\sin 2\phi \\ -2\cos\phi\sin\theta \end{bmatrix} \sqrt{\frac{n_1}{n_2}} (\cos\theta)^{1/2}$$

(0,0) mode :

$$E_{inc} = E_o e^{-(x_{\infty}^2 + y_{\infty}^2)/w_o^2} = E_o e^{-f^2 \sin^2 \theta / w_o^2}$$

INTEGRATE OVER $\boldsymbol{\varphi}$

$$\int_{0}^{2\pi} \cos n\phi \, \mathrm{e}^{ix \cos(\phi - \varphi)} \, d\phi = 2\pi (i^n) \, J_n(x) \, \cos n\varphi$$
$$\int_{0}^{2\pi} \sin n\phi \, \mathrm{e}^{ix \cos(\phi - \varphi)} \, d\phi = 2\pi (i^n) \, J_n(x) \, \sin n\varphi \, ,$$

SOLUTION

$$(0,0) \ mode:$$

$$\mathbf{E}(\rho,\varphi,z) = \frac{ikf}{2} \sqrt{\frac{n_1}{n_2}} E_o e^{-ikf} \begin{bmatrix} I_{00} + I_{02} \cos 2\varphi \\ I_{02} \sin 2\varphi \\ -2iI_{01} \cos \varphi \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{H}(\rho,\varphi,z) = \frac{ikf}{2Z_{\mu\varepsilon}} \sqrt{\frac{n_1}{n_2}} E_o e^{-ikf} \begin{bmatrix} I_{02} \sin 2\varphi \\ I_{00} - I_{02} \cos 2\varphi \\ -2iI_{01} \sin \varphi \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{Fields given by}$$
3 integrals:
$$I_{00} = \int_{0}^{\theta_{max}} f_w(\theta) (\cos \theta)^{1/2} \sin \theta (1 + \cos \theta) J_0(k\rho \sin \theta) e^{ikz \cos \theta} d\theta$$

$$I_{01} = \int_{0}^{\theta_{max}} f_w(\theta) (\cos \theta)^{1/2} \sin^2 \theta J_1(k\rho \sin \theta) e^{ikz \cos \theta} d\theta$$

$$I_{02} = \int_{0}^{\theta_{max}} f_w(\theta) (\cos \theta)^{1/2} \sin \theta (1 - \cos \theta) J_2(k\rho \sin \theta) e^{ikz \cos \theta} d\theta$$

FOCAL FIELDS



FOCAL FIELDS SAMPLED WITH SINGLE MOLECULES





λ -PHAGE DNA LABELED WITH YOYO-1



WEAKLY FOCUSED BEAMS

Focal plane (z=0):

$$I_{00} \approx \frac{2}{k\rho} \int_{0}^{k\rho\theta_{max}} x J_0(x) \, dx = 2\theta_{max}^2 \frac{J_1(k\rho\theta_{max})}{k\rho\theta_{max}}$$

$$\mathbf{E}\approx ikf\,\theta_{max}^2\,E_o\,\mathrm{e}^{-i\,kf}\,\frac{J_1(k\rho\theta_{max})}{k\rho\theta_{max}}\;\mathbf{n}_x$$

Not Gaussian !

FOCUSED RADIALLY POLARIZED BEAMS



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WHAT ABOUT INTERFACE ?



Angular spectrum representation with Fresnel reflection / transmission coefficients.



EXAMPLE: LASER TWEEZERS





WHAT ABOUT EMISSION ?



Molecules radiate like oscillating dipoles !!

COUPLING OF EVANESCENT WAVES







FARFIELD SOLUTION



Exact solution = radiation from molecule and its image

RADIATION PATTERNS



DEMONSTRATION WITH SINGLE MOLECULES

(c)

(d)

0

2

4



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Data

Model

8

6

10

12

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Fit

SUMMARY

BIOPHYSICAL PROCESSES ARE VISUALIZED USING SINGLE MOLECULES AS PROBES

EXCITATION OF SINGLE MOLECULES

- Angular Spectrum Representation
- Application to Strongly Focused Laser Beams
- Experimental Mapping using Single Molecules as Probe Dipoles

DETECTION OF SINGLE MOLECULES

- Molecule Radiates like Oscillating Dipole
- Interface Perturbs Radiation Pattern
- Collection Optics needs to include Critical Angle