# COMSOL을 이용한 전자기장 내 나노 스케일 구조물의 설계 (Nano-scale Structure Design in EM fields using COMSOL)

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**Research Overview** 

# Motivation (1)

Authors	Year	Issues	Design Result	s
G. Kiziltas <i>et al.</i>	2003	Substrate design of a patch antenna (dielectric substrate)	Layered substrate design and Fabrication	
J. Jensen & O. Sigmund	2004	Photonic crystal waveguide design	Topology application to waveguide design	
T. Nomura <i>et al.</i>	2007	3D substrate design of a patch antenna	3D topology optimization combined with finite difference method	

#### **Motivation (2)**

- Limitation of the previous works
- $\rightarrow$  Applied only for substrate parts, that is, Si based material

#### Reason?

Electromagnetic wave cannot be absorbed into metal for some specific frequency range



For topology method application, energy must be able to be computed in the design domain.

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## Motivation (3)

- Then, why visible/near infrared frequency range in nano-scale structure?
- → The wave can penetrate into some thin, specific material, so topology optimization may be applied.
- → Many prospective application using the surface plasmon polariton (SPP) effect.



**Background of the study** 

# **Topology Optimization Method (1)**



# **Topology Optimization Method (2)**

Reaction – Diffusion Equation Based method  $\frac{\partial \phi(t)}{\partial t} = \alpha \nabla^2 \phi(t) - \frac{\partial \overline{f}(\phi)}{\partial \phi} \quad in \quad \Omega_T \coloneqq \Omega \times (0,T)$  $\frac{\partial \phi(t)}{\partial \hat{\mathbf{n}}} = 0 \quad in \quad \partial \Omega_T := \partial \Omega \times (0, T), \quad 0 \le \rho \le 1$  Diffuse interfacial layer  $\alpha = \alpha_0 V_{total} = \alpha_0 \int_{\Omega} dx$ Move a  $\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \hat{\mathbf{n}}} = 0$  Reaction term: gradient of the augmented Void Ω material Lagrangian diffuse interfa  $R(\phi) = -\frac{\partial \overline{f}}{\partial \phi} = -\frac{\partial f(\phi, A_z)}{\partial \phi} - \frac{\partial g(\phi)}{\partial \phi} [\lambda + rg(\phi)]$ Solid materia x solid void interfacial laver Separation of material phases YONSEI UNIVERSITY
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#### C-core Actuator: Analysis Model (1)



Topology optimization using SIMP method and Reaction Diffusion based method

Subject to  $g(\phi) = \int_{\Omega_D} \phi dx - V_{req} \int_{\Omega_D} dx = 0$ 

 $0 \le \phi \le 1$ 

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Maximize  $f(\phi, A_z(\phi)) = -\frac{1}{2\mu_0} \int_{\Gamma_{armature}} \left[ \left( B_x^2 - B_y^2 \right) n_x + 2B_x B_y n_y \right] dl$ 

# **C-core Actuator:** Topology Optimization Results (1)



#### **Background of the study C-core Actuator:** Topology Optimization Results (2)

Initial design Volume fra = 100 %	tion vww.Bandicam.co.kr Volume fraction = 80 %
Convergence plot	Contour of the Magnetic vect Potential A <sub>z</sub>
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**SPR sensor design** 

#### **SPR Senor Design - Concept**

 Application of topology optimization for the metal part design in a sensor using the surface plasmon polariton effects.

This is using attenuated total reflectance (ATR). It is a sampling technique used in conjunction with infra-red spectroscopy which enables samples to be examined directly in the liquid or solid state without further preparation.

(Perkin Elmer Life and Analytical Sciences. 2005. http://las.perkinelmer.com/content/TechnicalInfo/TCH\_FTIRATR.pdf. Retrieved 2007-01-26.)

Previously, the design has been performed based on the physics theory.

#### **Research Overview**

SPR sensing algorithm

- prism or grating structure is necessary for the surface plasmon effect
- sample is positioned beneath the Au (or Ag) film.

Surface Plasmon Resonance (SPR) angle is changed according to the refractive index of the sample.



SPR sensor design

# Background: Surface Plasmon Effect

What is Surface Plasmon?

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Surface electromagnetic waves: that propagate in a direction parallel to the metal/diel ectric (or metal/vacuum) interface

One can use an electron or light beam (visible and infrared are typical). The incoming beam has to match its impulse to that of the plasmon.



#### Analysis Model (1)

- · Efficiency depends on wavelength, incident angle and Ag thickness.
- Light passes through the air layer and hits the Ag layer and the surface palsmon wave occurs under the layer.
- Grating structure is located on the Ag layer.



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## Analysis Model (2)



#### Parameter Study (1)



SPR sensor design

#### Parameter Study (2)

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Efficiency according to incident angle change

#### **Initial Grating Model**



# **Comparison of Results (2)**



# **Comparison of Results & Conclusions**



- ✓ Intermediate structures in the original optimization result can be regarded as noise.
  - $\rightarrow$  Thin Ag layer is effective.
- ✓ Grating structure is good to improve performance.
- ✓ Detail design is required considering the manufacturing tolerance.

#### **Conclusions of the SPR Sensor Design**

- Topology optimization scheme may be applied to the design domain composed of metal.
- However, it is frequency dependent problem, that is, available only for very high frequency range as in visible/near infra-red range.
- Many prospective applications are expected: (however), tens of percentage improvement may be possible.
- For the application of microwave (GHz) range, also to overcome some gray scale results, other approaches are necessary.



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#### Nano-aperture design

#### **Research Overview**



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#### **Research Overview**

Poynting Vector – The energy flux of an electromagnetic field



A bowtie nano-aperture Model



 $\vec{P}$  (Poynting vector) =  $\vec{E} \times \vec{H}$ 

Concept of the Poynting vector

Poynting Vector – The energy flux of an electromagnetic field

 $\nabla \times E = -j\omega\mu H$  $\nabla \times H = j\omega \varepsilon E$ 

TE mode i j  $E_{x} = E_{y} = E_{y} H_{z}^{*} i - E_{x} H_{z}^{*} j$   $H_{x} = H_{y} H_{z}^{*}$ 

 $P(Poynting Vector) = Real(E \times H^*)$ 

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## **Background: Plasmon Effect**

Verification of COMSOL Program



Nano-aperture Grating with 425nm-period



425nm period result with Comsol

83, No. 5, pp. 836-838, 2003

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Nano-aperture Grating with 550nm-period



550nm period result with Comsol

Satoshi Shinada, Jiro Hashizume and Fumio Koyama, Applied Physics Letters , Vol.

Similar Result!

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#### Analysis of the Initial Model

Ag (Relative pern a-Si (Relativ	mittivity, $\varepsilon_r = -32.222216 + 1.727854^* i$ ) 200 nm 21135 + 0.496388* i)
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	Ag a-Si 2-D Symmetric Model

Nano-aperture design

# **Optimization Technique**



Nano-aperture design

#### **Optimization Process: GA (1)**



# **Optimization Process: GA (2)**





Nano-aperture design

#### **Conclusions of the Nano-aperture Design**

- Initial model has low transmittance. To improve the performance, the genetic algorithm and ON/OFF method are used for optimization.
- The output of the optimal shape after GA and ON/OFF application increases about 21%.
- Topology optimization based on the reaction-diffusion equation may be applicable for the aperture design.

#### **Conclusions**

- COMSOL is effective for analysis and design of the structure in electromagnetic field not only for macro-scale but also for nanoscale.
- Also, it may be combined with several optimization schems to  $\checkmark$ improve the system performance.
- Many prospective applications are expected: (however), tens of percentage improvement may be possible.



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**Conclusions** 

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# **Prospective Future Applications**

Application of the structure design for 3D cases

 $\rightarrow$  Is the analysis result reliable?

Meta-material design for negative permeability as well as negative  $\checkmark$ permittivity

 $\rightarrow$  Frequency dependent problem: Is geometric change by topology optimization enough?

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