Simulation of optical emission from nanoLED arrays

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Scheme of the nanoLED array



array geometry parameters: type fin or rod, pitch (P), width (W)

Electromagnetic field propagation: fin vs rod



pitch 300 nm, width 100 nm

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Electromagnetic field propagation: magnification



pitch 300 nm, width 100 nm

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Detection of nanoparticles: what are the limits?

LED system: rods W = 50 nmP = 100 nm $H_2 = 150 \text{ nm}$ distance = 2 pitch

Object: Au spheres radius=50/100nm



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Detection of nanoparticles: electromagnetic field distribution



Signal width at the image plane



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Signal width at the image plane



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crosstalk between pixels along the fin plane

Signal width at the image plane



- decrease of the rod/fin width decreases wave confinement inside
- visible elongation of signal in the direction of TCO crossbars

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Signal width vs distance form MQW layer



broadening of the signal width due to the interaction in the array

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Detection of nanoparticles: two Au spheres, radius = pitch/2



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Summary

- We presented a new concept of a microscope on the chip which use a LED array as an illumination source
- Two designs of LED array was modeled in respect to the pixel size and array pitch
- The key aspect for minimizing light spot size is to confine the light inside the pixel and guide it to the surface
 - Nanorods should be preferred over nanofins
 - The pitch of the array and the width of the fin/rod should be optimized at the same time in order to decrease the crosstalk between the pixels