

MICRO-567

Optical waves propagation

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Cursus	Sem.	Type
Advanced Manufacturing		Obl.
Bioengineering	MA1, MA3	Opt.
Electrical and Electronical Engineering	MA1, MA3	Opt.
Microtechnics	MA1, MA3	Opt.
Photonics		Obl.

Language of teaching	English
Credits	3
Session	Winter
Semester	Fall
Exam	Written
Workload	90h
Weeks	14
Hours	3 weekly
Courses	2 weekly
Exercises	1 weekly
Number of positions	

Summary

Give a tool for the treatment of electromagnetic wave propagation in linear and nonlinear media.

Content

1. From Maxwell's equation to beam propagation methods (BPM)
2. Near field. Propagation of plane waves, Gaussian beams, periodic structures and non-diffracting beams.
3. Relationship to classical diffraction integrals (Fresnel, Fraunhofer, Sommerfeld (paraxial / non paraxial BPM))
4. Thin transparencies, lenses, imaging
5. Imaging systems, Point Spread Function (PSF)
6. Optical resolution, confocal and superresolution microscopy techniques. Rotating beams, vortices, helical beams
7. Waveguides
8. Optical fibers
9. Phase conjugation, holography
10. Volume holograms / grating
11. Nonlinear Optics and nonlinear BPM

Learning Prerequisites**Recommended courses**

Fundamentals of optic and electromagnetism

Learning Outcomes

By the end of the course, the student must be able to:

- Analyze optical systems
- Design imaging systems

Transversal skills

- Plan and carry out activities in a way which makes optimal use of available time and other resources.

Teaching methods

Ex cathedra, exercises and simulations using MATLAB

Assessment methods

Exercises, simulations using MATLAB and written exam

Supervision

Assistants Yes

Resources

Bibliography

Introduction to Fourier Optics, J.W. Goodman, Roberts & Company Publishers; 3rd Revised edition (2005)

Ressources en bibliothèque

- [Introduction to Fourier Optics / Goodman](#)

Websites

- <http://lo.epfl.ch>

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- <http://moodle.epfl.ch>