





Nano-antenne plasmonique pour l'émission de photons uniques

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Goal of an antenna

Increase the coupling between :

a localized source/detector

and

propagating waves





Goal of an antenna for single photon emission

Reduce the decay time

Collect all the emitted photons





Nanoantennas



Mühlschlegel et al. Science 308 p 1607 (2005)



Kühn et al. PRL 97, 017402 (2006)



Farahani et al., PRL 95, 017402 (2005)



Anger et al., PRL 96, 113002 (2006)



What is a plasmon ?

Exemple : thin metallic film

collective oscillation mode of the electrons







$$\boldsymbol{r}_{\boldsymbol{F}} = \frac{\boldsymbol{\ell}_{2}\boldsymbol{k}_{z1} - \boldsymbol{\ell}_{1}\boldsymbol{k}_{z2}}{\boldsymbol{\ell}_{2}\boldsymbol{k}_{z1} + \boldsymbol{\ell}_{1}\boldsymbol{k}_{z2}}$$

$$e_2 \mathbf{k}_{z1} + e_1 \mathbf{k}_{z2} = 0$$



$$\partial = 4\rho a^3 \frac{e_m(w) - 1}{e_m(w) + 2}$$

 $\mathcal{C}_m(\mathcal{W}) + 2 = 0$

Tuning the electrostatic resonance



Institut d'optique d'un plasmon de surface





 $E_x \exp[ikx - igz - iWt]$









Seeing Surface plasmons





Courtesy: Alexandre Bouhelier









Unidirectional Emission of a Quantum Dot Coupled to a Nanoantenna

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Key idea : no Purcell effect but funneling the energy into a single mode

Broad spectrum and good coupling.



Motivation

Design and fabricate deterministically a plasmonic antenna in order to

- accelerate spontaneous emission,
- control the angular emission

over a broad band.







Emission mechanism

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Surface plasmon microcavity



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Patch Antenna









Diameter 1.5 µm

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Quantum dots characterization



CdSe/CdS quantum dots

core diameter: 3 nm QD diameter : 13 nm

87% photons emitted in bright state, 13% In the grey state.

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Patch Antenna Fabrication



Collaboration with Attocube (now commercially available)



Controlling the angular emission



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Accelerating spontaneous Emission



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Origin of the Purcell fluctuations

The QD cluster thickness fluctuates.











Quenching or photon emission ?





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5%



- i) Current efficiency : <5%
- ii) Going to NIR (1.3 μ m) and reducing the antenna size (0.32 μ m), the efficiency increases to 42%.
- iii) Further improvement of the antenna design using metallodielectric structures can provide over 80% efficiency.





Can we unify our description of the electron/photon interaction ?



Emission figures of merit



Z, G



Impedance Radiation resistance **Classical dipole radiation No feedback on the source** F_{P}, Ω_{R} Fermi golden rule LDOS



Antenna impedance

Tuning the scattering response of optical nanoantennas with nanocircuit loads

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Electrical engineering point of view :

Radiation resistance α Im(G)

Quantum optics point of view :

LDOS α Im(G)

$$P = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Re}\left[iWp_z E_z^*\right]$$







Spatial confinment

(λ /2n)³

π **z⁶/a**³

Quality factor103-10610-1000BroadbandBroadbandWavesK < n ω/c</td>Evanescent waves/
polaritons



Source-antenna coupling







Multiple scattering



What is the internal impedance of a quantum emitter ?



$$Z_{in} = rac{i}{\omegalpha\epsilon_0}.$$

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Two-level system polarisability

$$\alpha(\omega) = \alpha_0 / [\omega_0^2 - \omega^2 - i\gamma\omega]$$

(without the rotating wave approximation)

$$\alpha_0 \epsilon_0 = (e^2/m)f$$

$$Z_{in} = \frac{Z_0}{\sigma} \left(1 + iQ\frac{\omega_0}{\omega} - iQ\frac{\omega}{\omega_0} \right)$$

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$$p_{z} = \alpha \epsilon_{0} [E_{\text{ext}} + G_{zz} p_{z}], \qquad p_{z} = \frac{\alpha \epsilon_{0}}{1 - \alpha \epsilon_{0} G_{zz}} E_{\text{ext}}.$$

Addition d'impédances
$$p_{z} = \left[\frac{1}{-i\omega}\right] \frac{1}{i/\omega \alpha \epsilon_{0} - iG_{zz}/\omega} E_{\text{ext}} = \left[\frac{1}{-i\omega}\right] \frac{E_{\text{ext}}}{Z_{1}(\omega) + Z_{2}(\omega)}.$$
Diffusion multiple
$$p_{z} = \alpha \epsilon_{0} [1 + \alpha \epsilon_{0} G_{zz} + (\alpha \epsilon_{0} G_{zz})^{2} + (\alpha \epsilon_{0} G_{zz})^{3} + ...] E_{\text{ext}},$$



$$G_{zz}(r,r',W) = \frac{E_{z}(r)E_{z}^{*}(r')}{W_{0}^{2}(1-i/Q) - W^{2}} \frac{W^{2}}{e_{0}}$$



$$\frac{1}{Z} = \frac{iW}{G_{zz}(r,r)} = \frac{1}{R} + i\hat{C}_{zz}^{2}CW - \frac{1}{LW^{0}} + \frac{i}{R} + \varepsilon_{0}^{2}V_{eff}\omega_{0}^{2}$$

$$R = QL\omega$$

Microcavity = RLC parallel circuit = notch filter



$$F_{\rho} = \frac{\operatorname{Im}(G)}{\operatorname{Im}(G_{0})} = 1 + \frac{6\rho e_{0} c^{3}}{w^{3}} \operatorname{Im}[\mathbf{u} \times S(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}, w)]$$

$$F_{\rho} = 1 + \frac{3Q}{4\rho^{2}} \frac{a^{3}}{\rho} \frac{a^{3}}{z^{6}}$$

$$E(\mathbf{r}, w) = G_{0}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}, w)\mathbf{p} + S(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}, w)\mathbf{p}$$

$$V_{eff} = \frac{\rho}{a^{3}}$$

The nanoantenna achieves a *large Purcell factor* over a *broad spectrum*

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Summary







 $Z = \frac{G_{zz}(\mathbf{r},\mathbf{r})}{iW}$

 Z_{in} $\omega \alpha \epsilon_0$