

# Periodic Leaky-Wave Antennas for Orbital Angular Momentum Multiplexing System

Master Thesis  
Final Presentation

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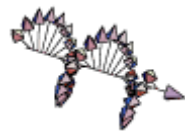
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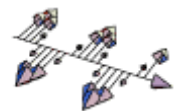
## Spin Angular Momentum Elliptical polarization



$s = +1$  Right-hand circular polarization



$s = -1$  Left-hand circular polarization



Photons cannot have zero spin.  
Linear polarization is  
combination of RHCP and  
LHCP

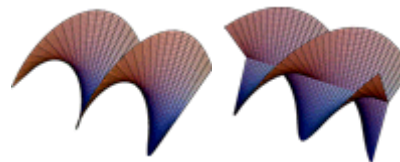
## Orbital Angular Momentum Helical phase-fronts



$m = 0$  Planar phase-front



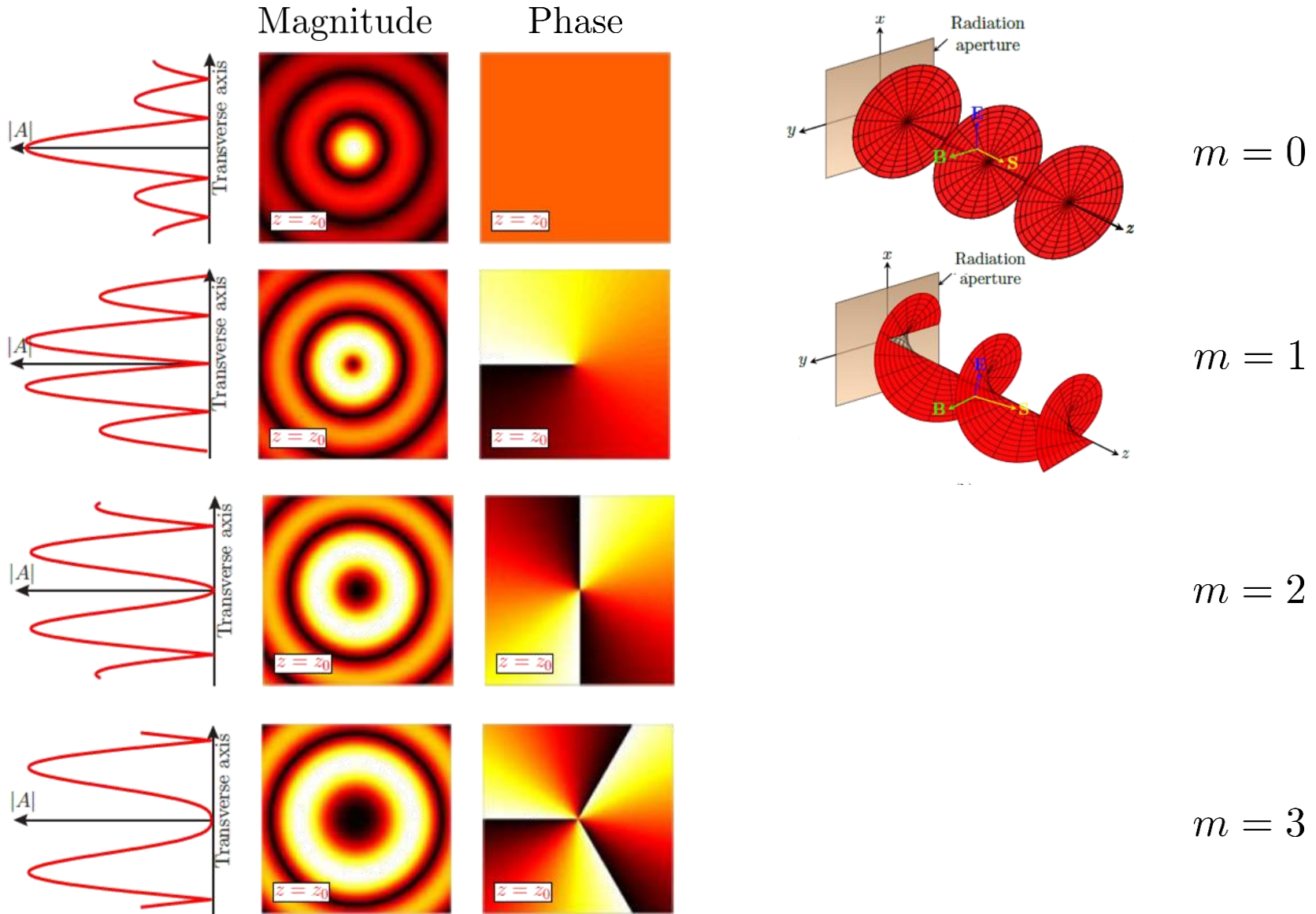
$m = \pm 1$  Right- and left-  
handed topological charges



Higher order topological  
charges  $m = 2, 3$

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# Magnitude & Phase of Vortex Beams



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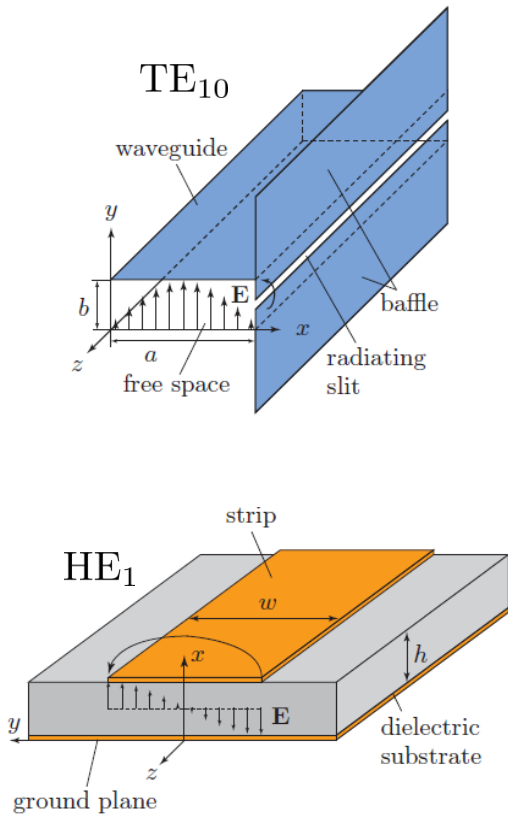
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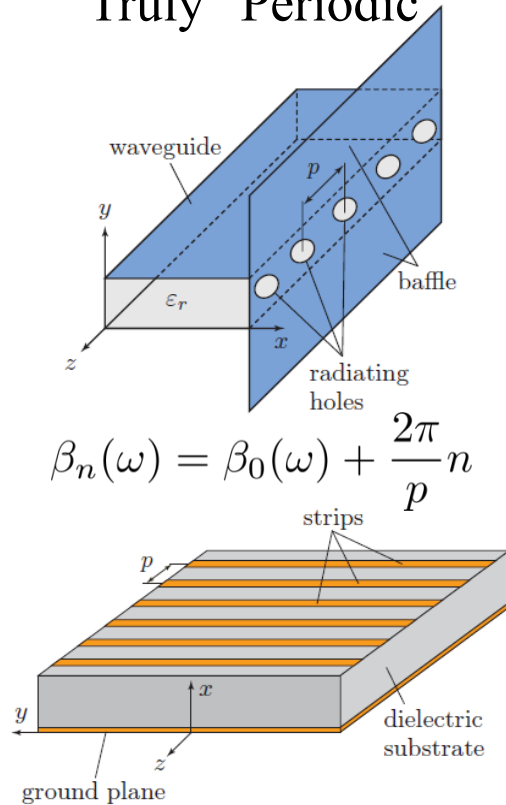
## Uniform



- invariant along propagation axis
- dominant or higher mode
- fast-wave mode
- $\beta = k_0 \sqrt{\epsilon_{re}} \Rightarrow \beta > 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \theta > 0$ : FWD only

## Periodic

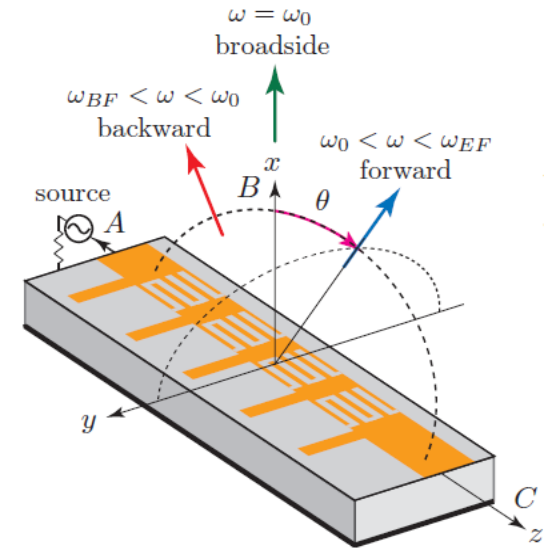
### “Truly” Periodic



$$\beta_n(\omega) = \beta_0(\omega) + \frac{2\pi}{p}n$$

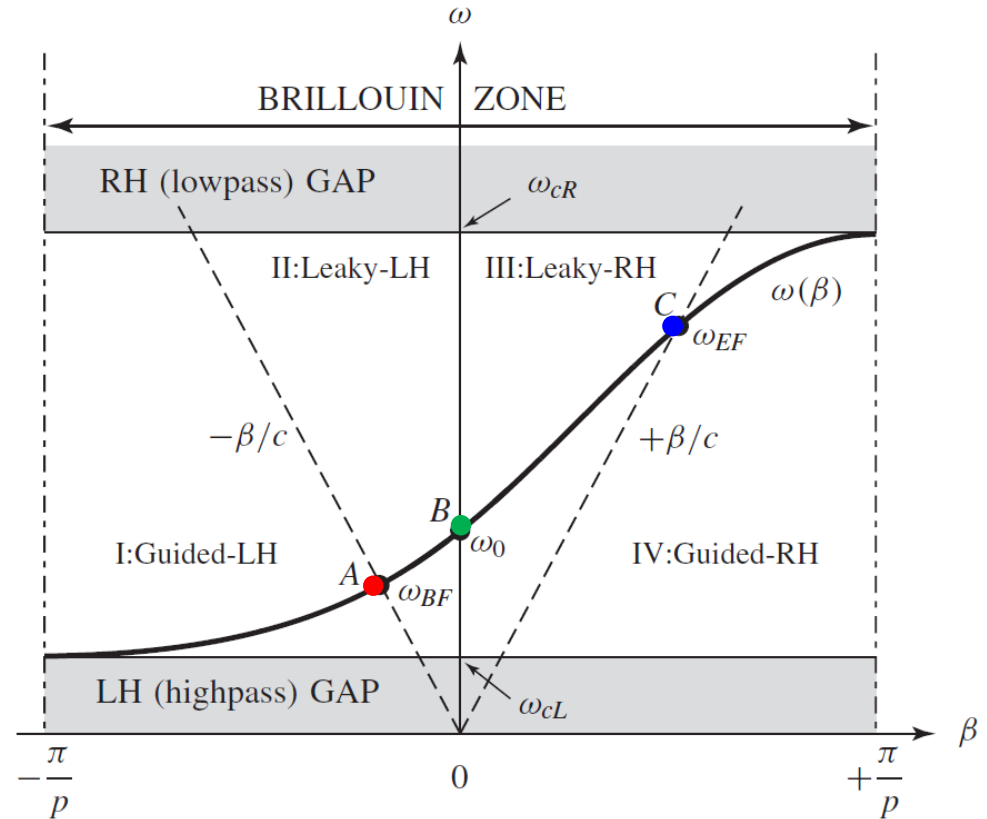
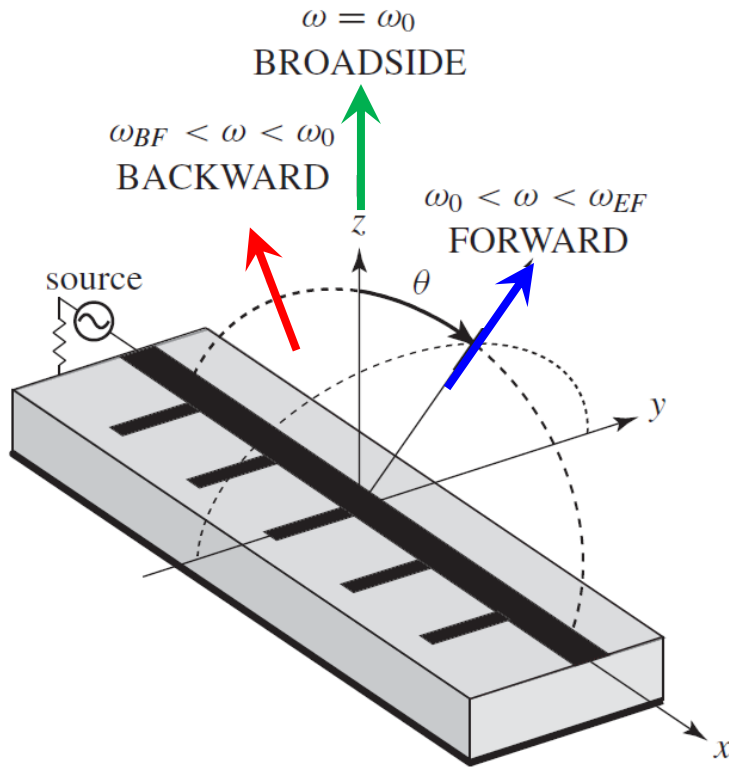
- periodic along propagation axis
- $\infty$  space harmonics (SH)
- using fast SH ( $\beta_0$  slow),  $\beta_{-1}$
- BWD and FWD

### “Quasi”-Uniform



- CRLH
- topologically periodic, but electromagnetically uniform
- period  $\ll \lambda$
- using fast SH:  $n = 0$



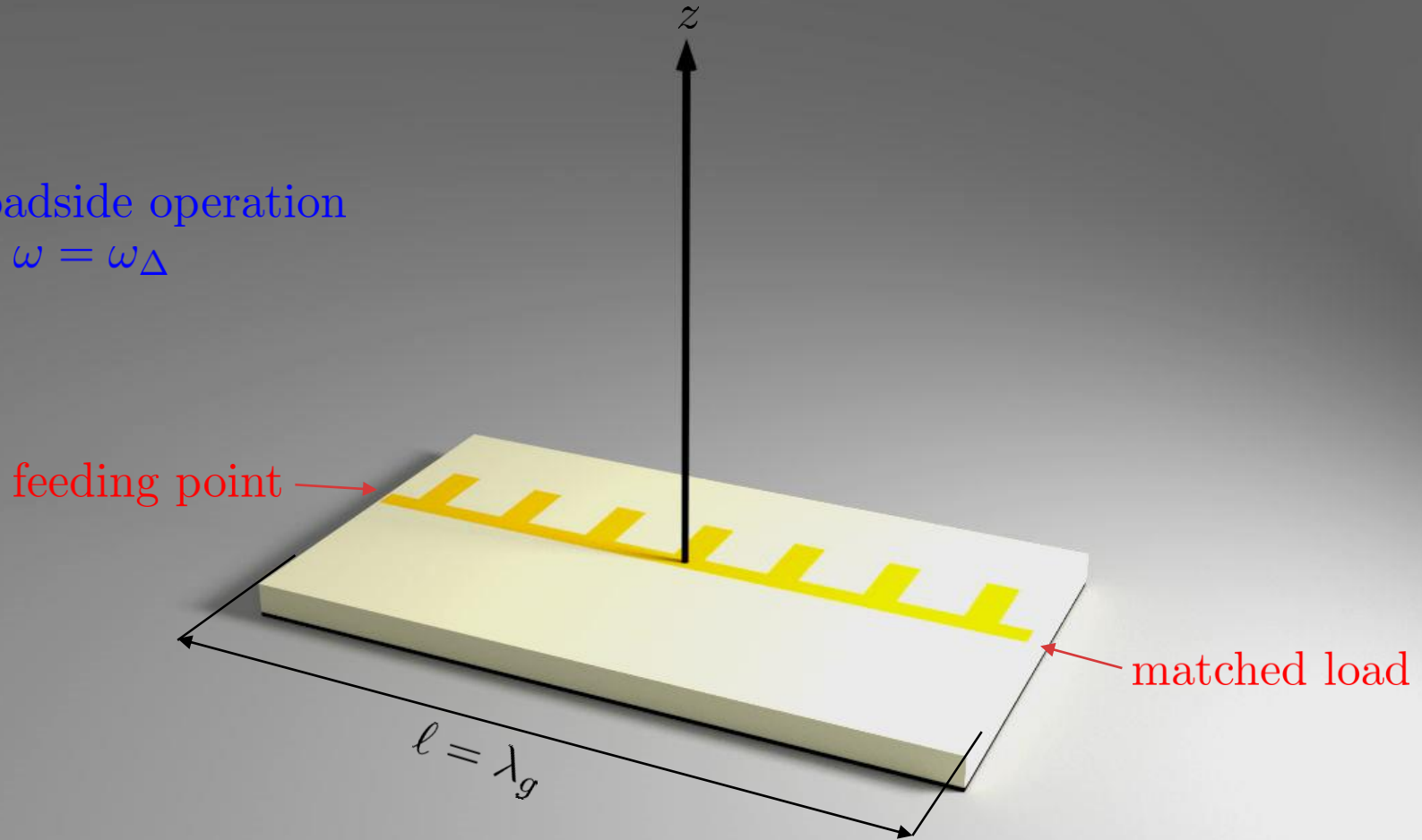


$$\text{scanning law} \rightarrow \theta_{\text{MB}} = \arcsin \frac{\beta}{k_0}$$

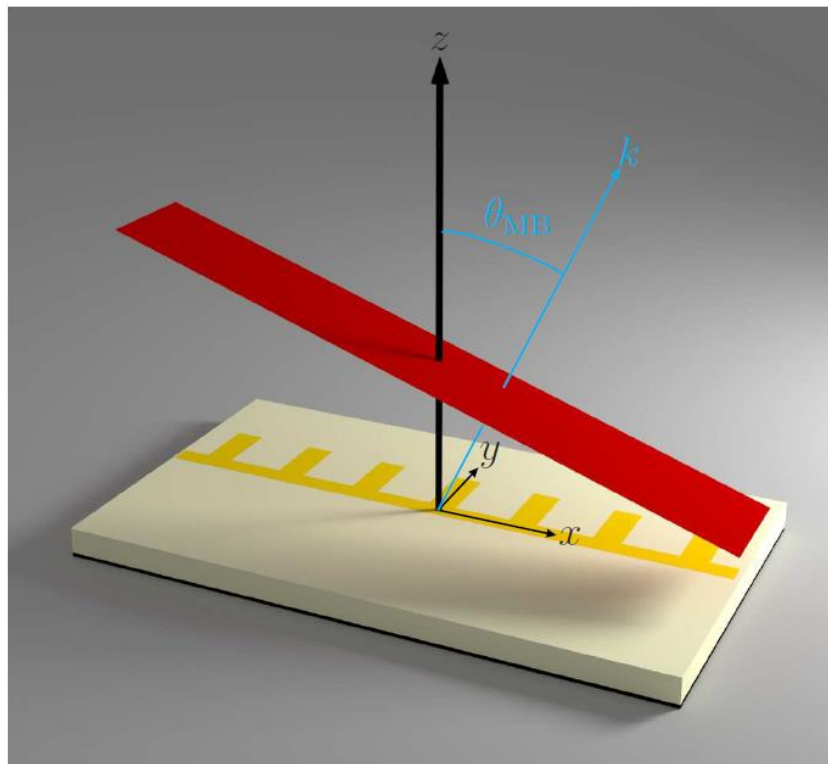


off-broadside operation

$$\omega = \omega_{\Delta}$$

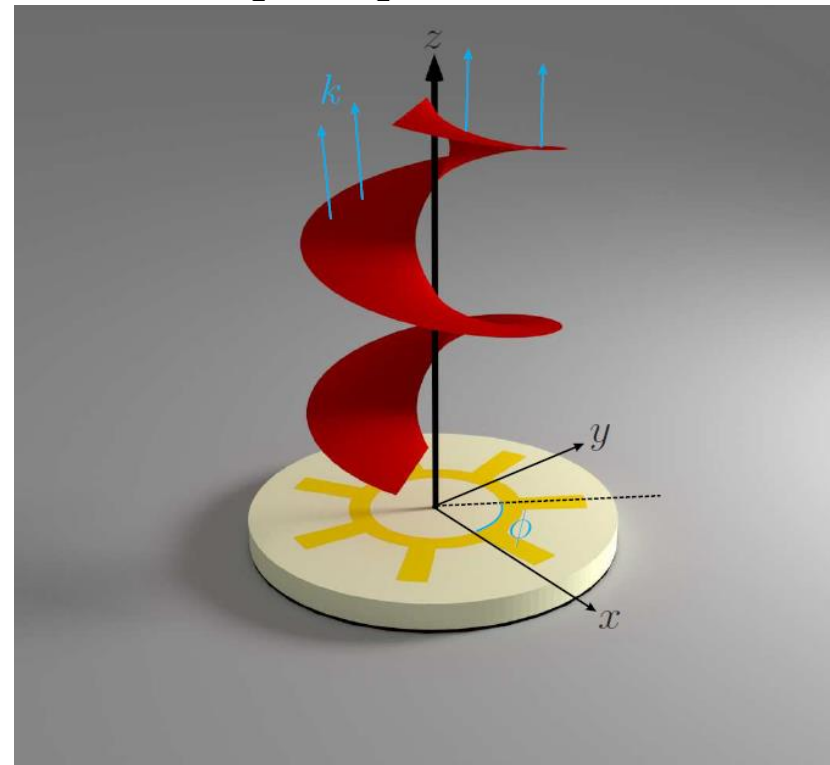


tilted phase front



- Off-broadside operation
- Titled phase front by  $\theta_{MB}$

spiral phase front



- Off-broadside operation
- Spiral phase front around propagation axis

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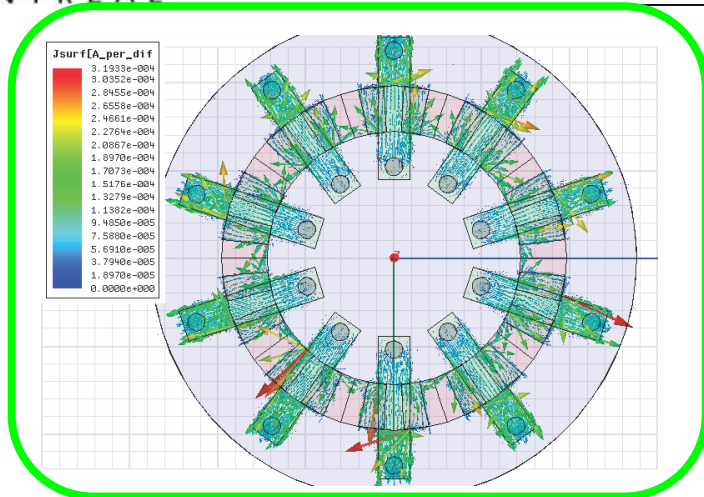
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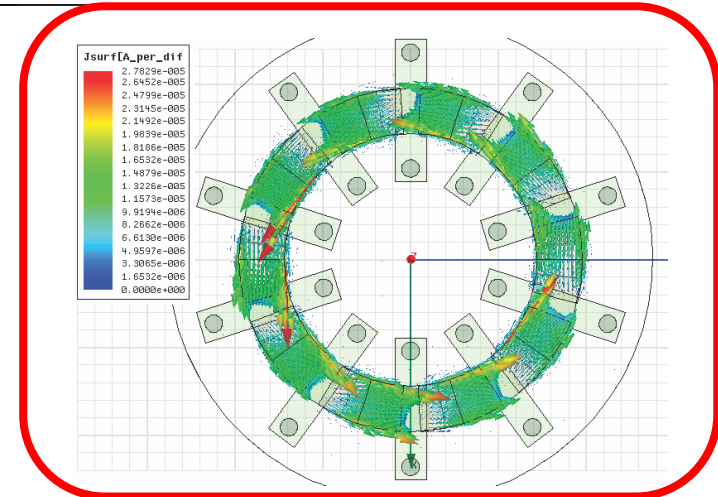
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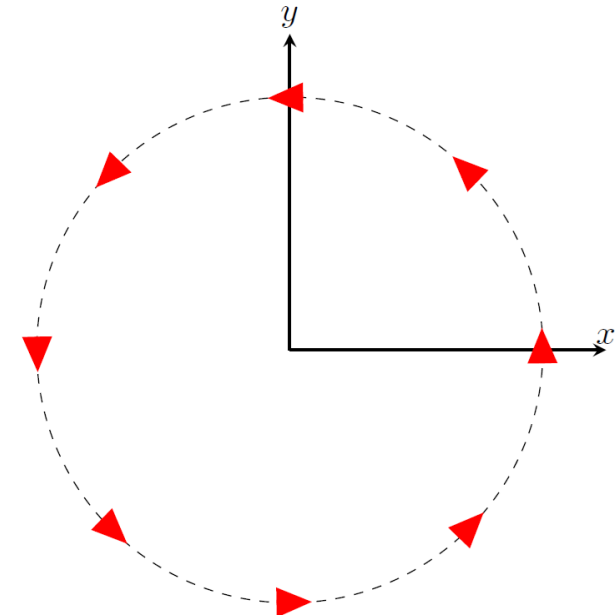
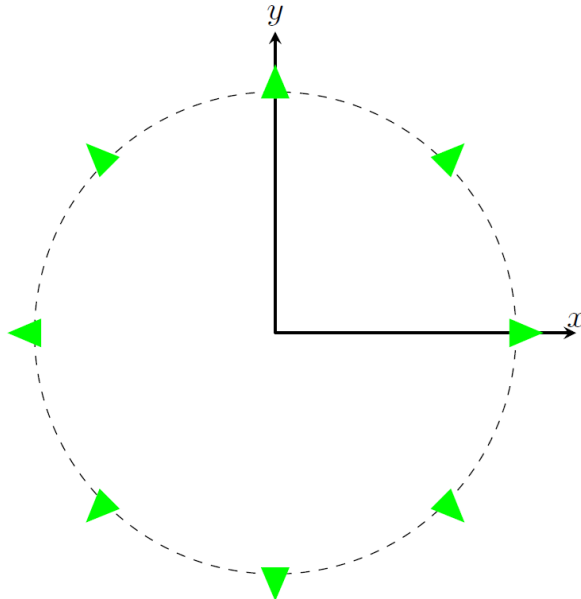
# Surface Current Density



Radial current (Shunt Mode)



Azimuthal current (Series Mode)



\*Eigenmode simulation in HFSS

Scalar Green's function

$$g(r', r) = \frac{e^{-jk_0|r-r'|}}{|r-r'|}$$

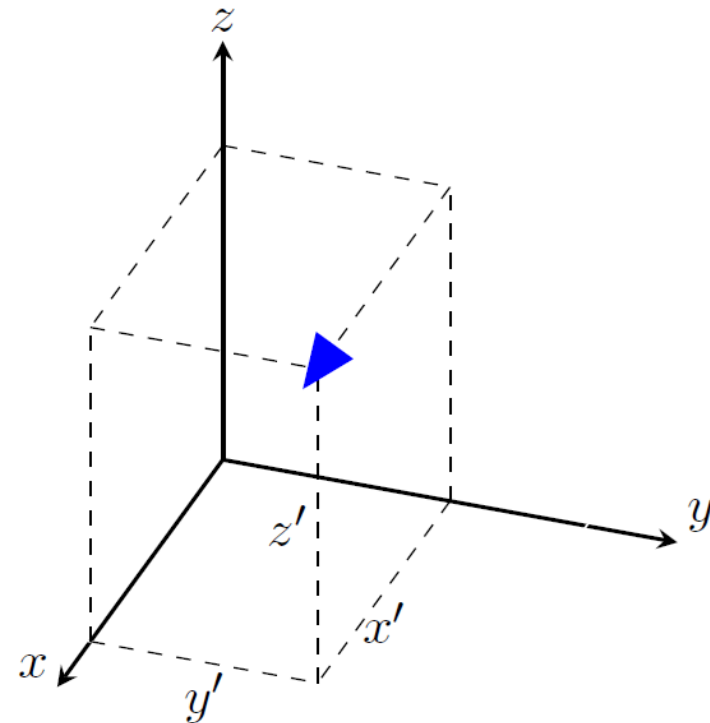
Dyadic Green's function

$$\bar{\bar{G}}_e(r', r) = (\bar{\bar{\mathbf{I}}} + \frac{1}{k_0^2} \nabla \nabla) g(r', r)$$

Electric field of an  $x$ -directed electric dipole

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{\mathbf{E}}(r', r) &= \frac{j\omega\mu_0\ell}{4\pi k_0^2} I_0 (k_0^2 \bar{\bar{\mathbf{I}}} + \nabla \nabla) g(r', r) \vec{e}_x \\ &= \frac{j\omega\mu_0\ell}{4\pi k_0^2} I_0 (k_0^2 \bar{\bar{\mathbf{I}}} + \nabla \nabla) \frac{e^{-jk_0|r-r'|}}{|r-r'|} \vec{e}_x \end{aligned}$$

$$|r-r'| = \sqrt{(x-x')^2 + (y-y')^2 + (z-z')^2}$$



Circular array of radially directed electric dipoles

$$\underline{\underline{\mathbf{E}}}^\rho(r', r) = \frac{j\omega\mu_0\ell}{4\pi k_0^2} I_0^\rho \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} (k_0^2 \underline{\underline{\mathbf{I}}} + \nabla\nabla) \frac{e^{-jk_0|r-r'|}}{|r-r'|} (\underline{\underline{e}}_x \cos(n\phi') + \underline{\underline{e}}_y \sin(n\phi')) e^{-n\underline{\underline{\gamma}}\phi'}$$

Constant separation between elements

$$\phi' = \frac{2\pi}{N}$$

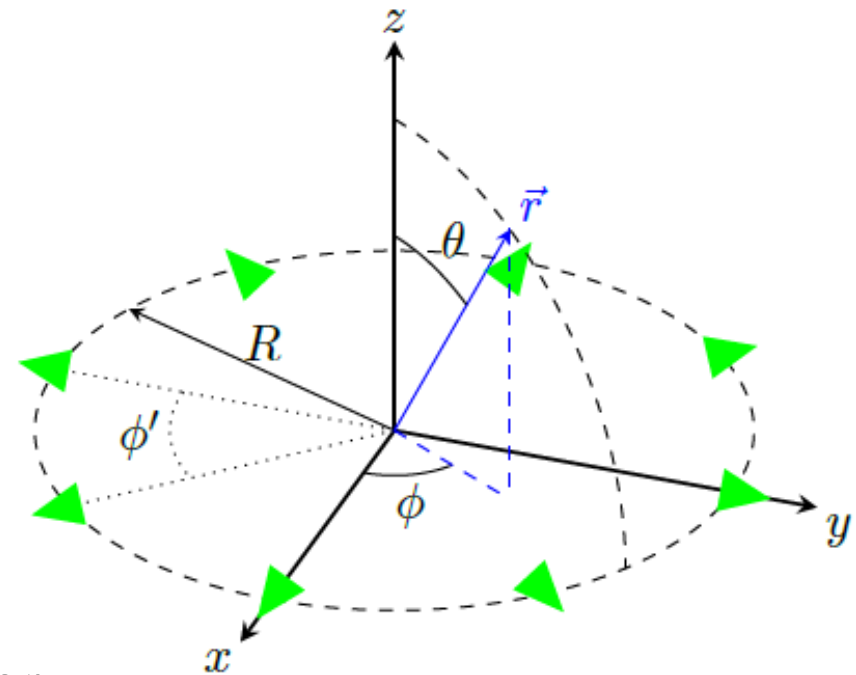
and constant radius

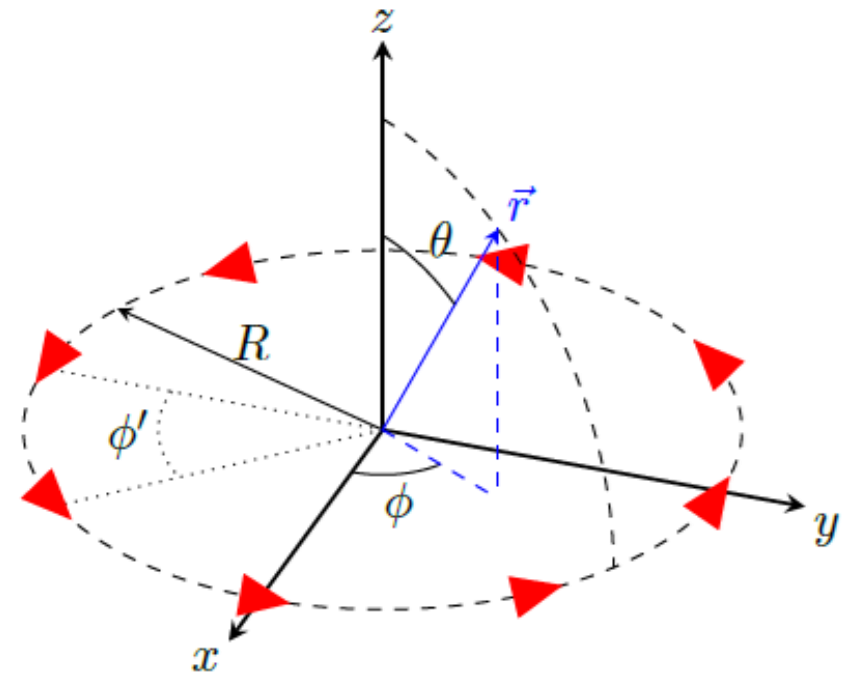
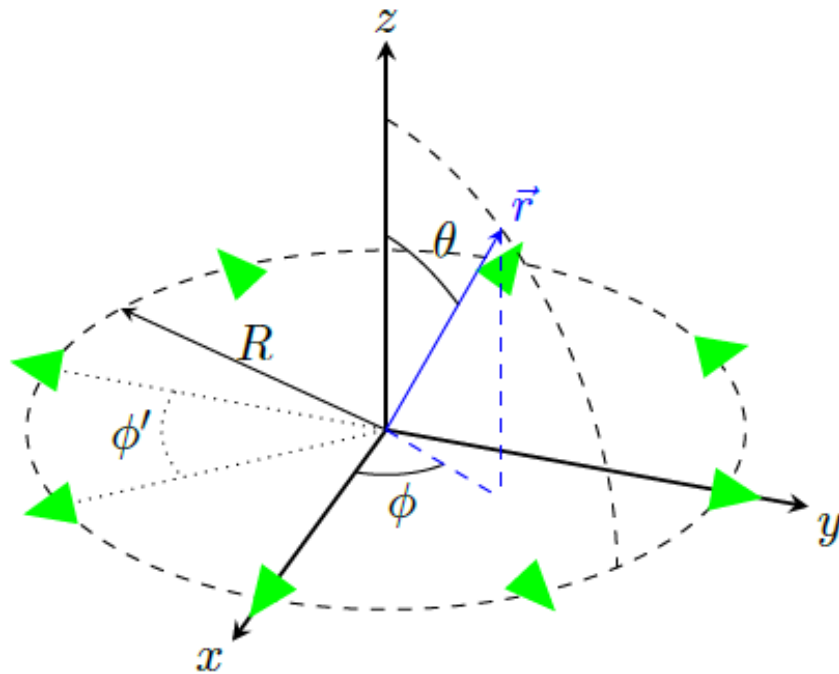
$$R = \sqrt{x'^2 + y'^2}$$

Propagation constant

$$\underline{\underline{\gamma}} = \alpha - jm$$

Arbitrary magnitude and phase excitation





Electric field of each array

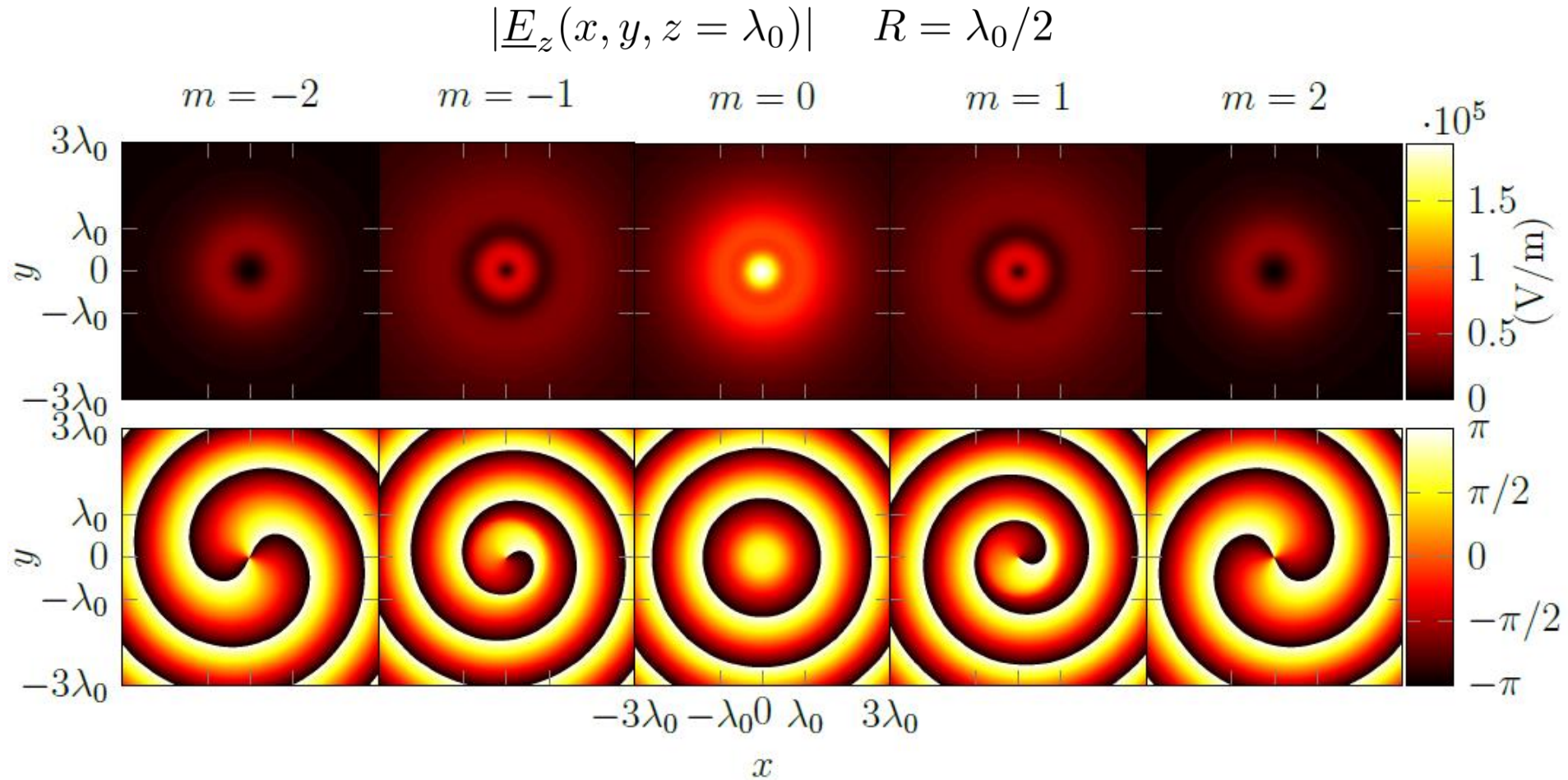
$$\begin{pmatrix} \vec{\underline{E}}^\rho \\ \vec{\underline{E}}^\phi \end{pmatrix} (r', r) = \frac{j\omega\mu_0\ell}{4\pi k_0^2} \begin{pmatrix} I_0^\rho \\ I_0^\phi \end{pmatrix} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} (k_0^2 \bar{\mathbf{I}} + \nabla\nabla) \frac{e^{-jk_0|r-r'|}}{|r-r'|} \begin{pmatrix} +\cos(n\phi') \\ -\sin(n\phi') \end{pmatrix} \vec{e}_x + \begin{pmatrix} \sin(n\phi') \\ \cos(n\phi') \end{pmatrix} \vec{e}_y e^{jn\phi'}$$

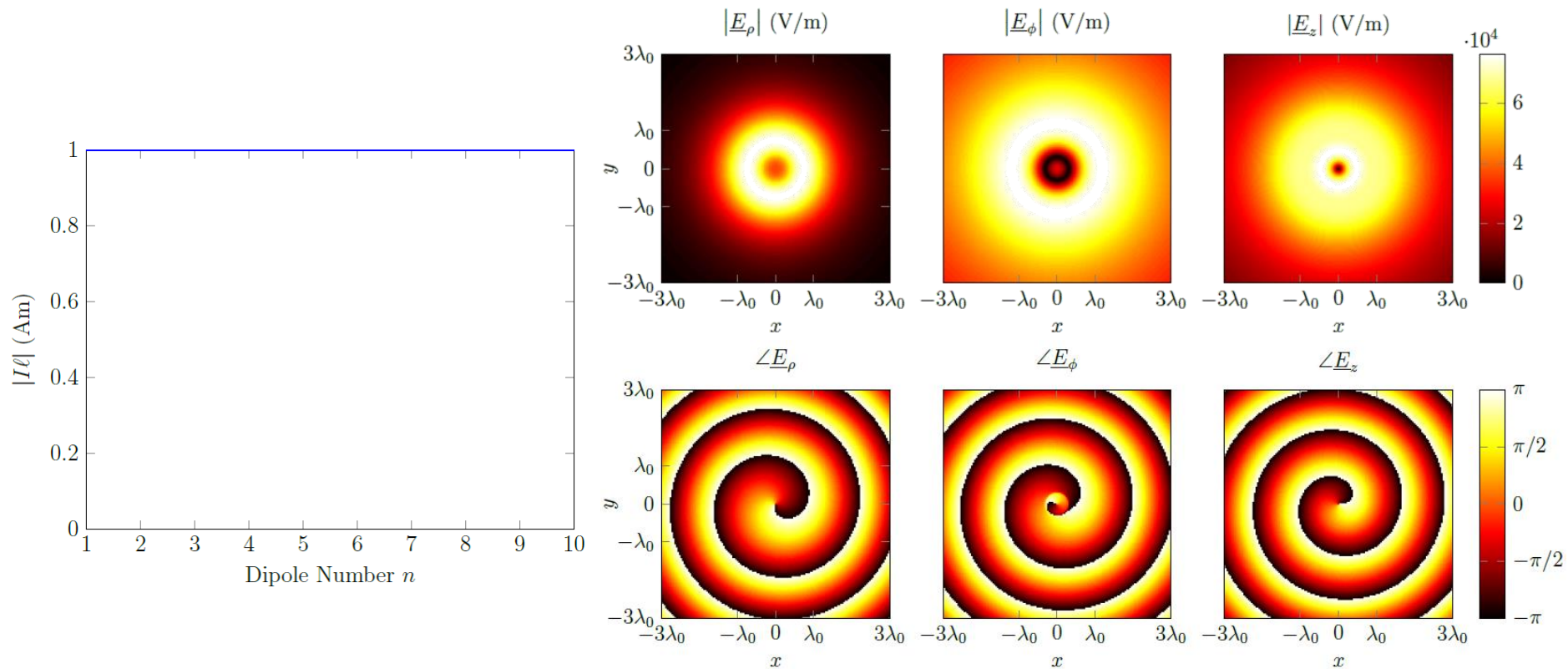
Total Electric field

$$\vec{\underline{E}} = \vec{\underline{E}}^\phi \pm j\vec{\underline{E}}^\rho \leftarrow \text{quadrature relation } (*)$$

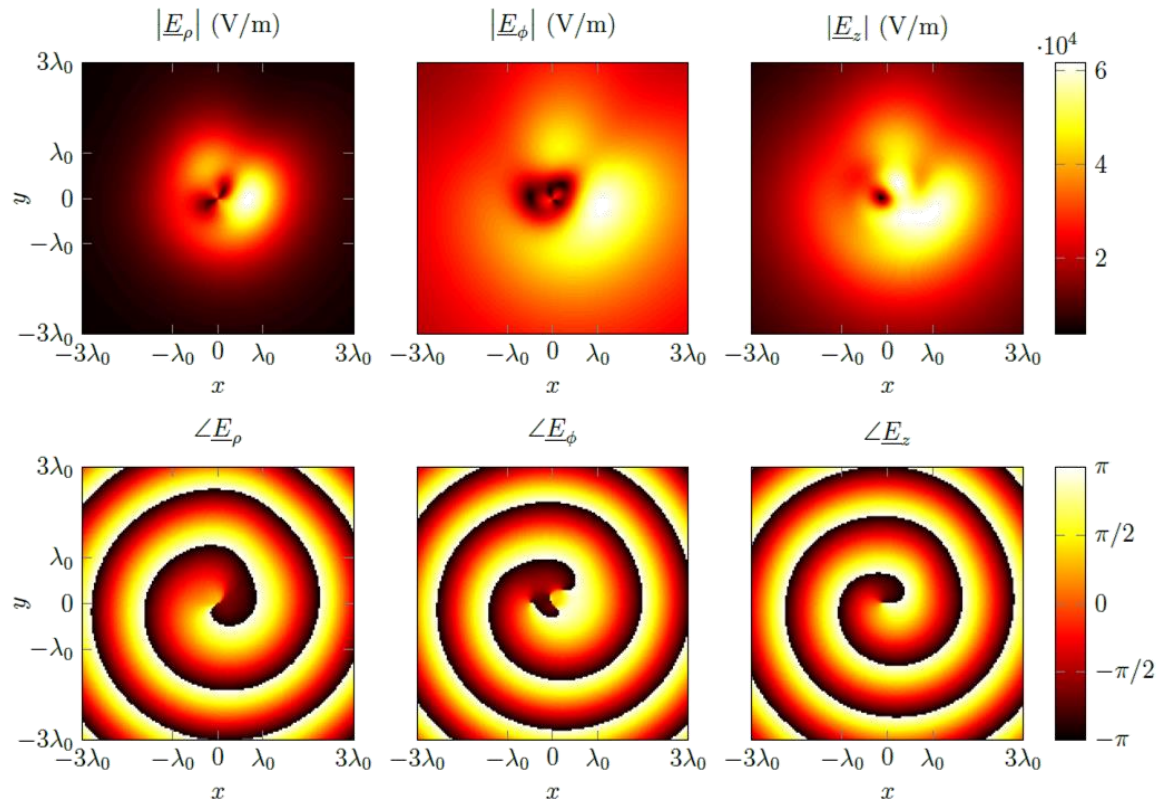
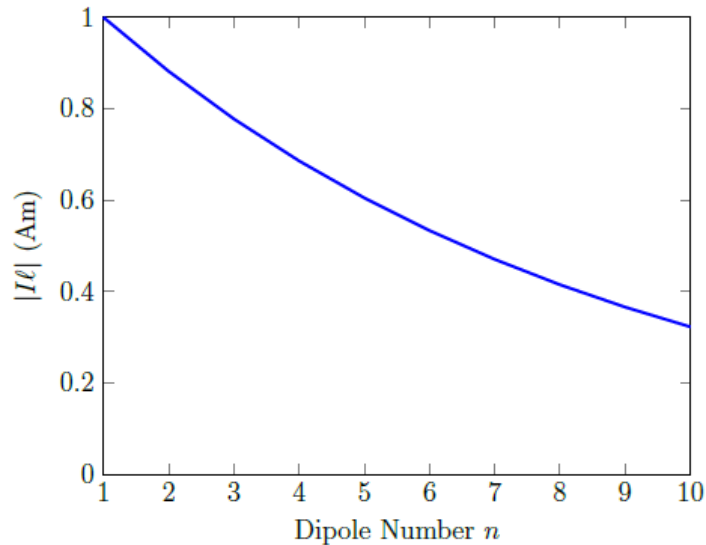
(\*) S. Otto, Z. Chen, A. Al-Bassam, A. Rennings, K. Solbach and C. Caloz, "Circular Polarization of Periodic Leaky-Wave Antennas with Axial Asymmetry: Theoretical Proof and Experimental Demonstration," TAP 2014.





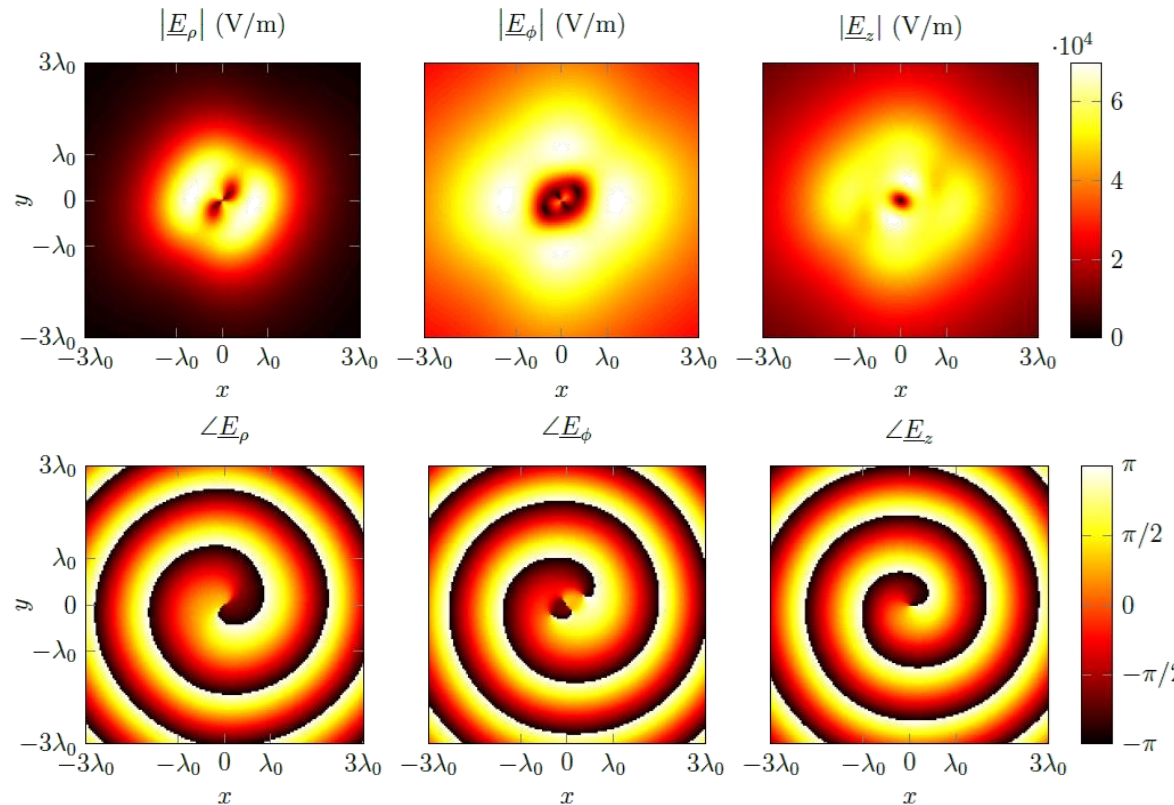
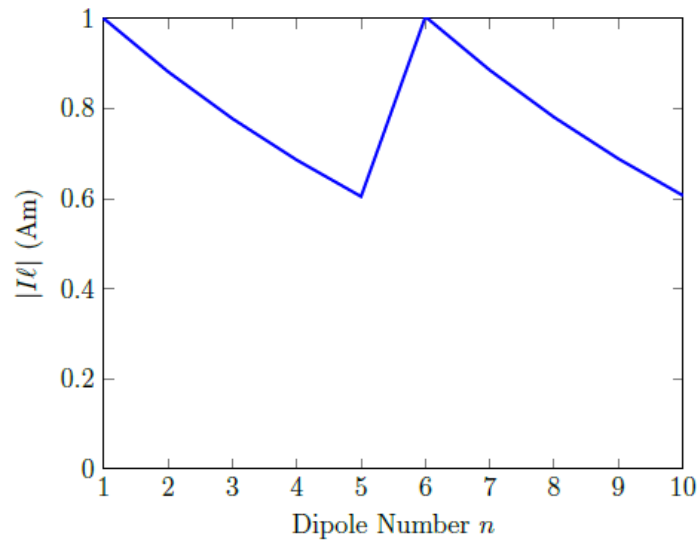


$N$	$m$	$R$	$I_0^\rho \ell / \text{Am}$	$I_0^\phi \ell / \text{Am}$	$\alpha$ (1/rad)	$z$
10	2	$\lambda_0/2$	1	1	0	$\lambda_0$



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# Example: Decaying Current with Two Points Excitation



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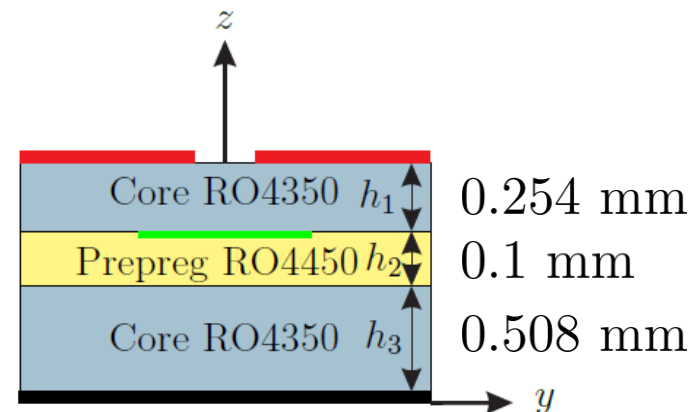
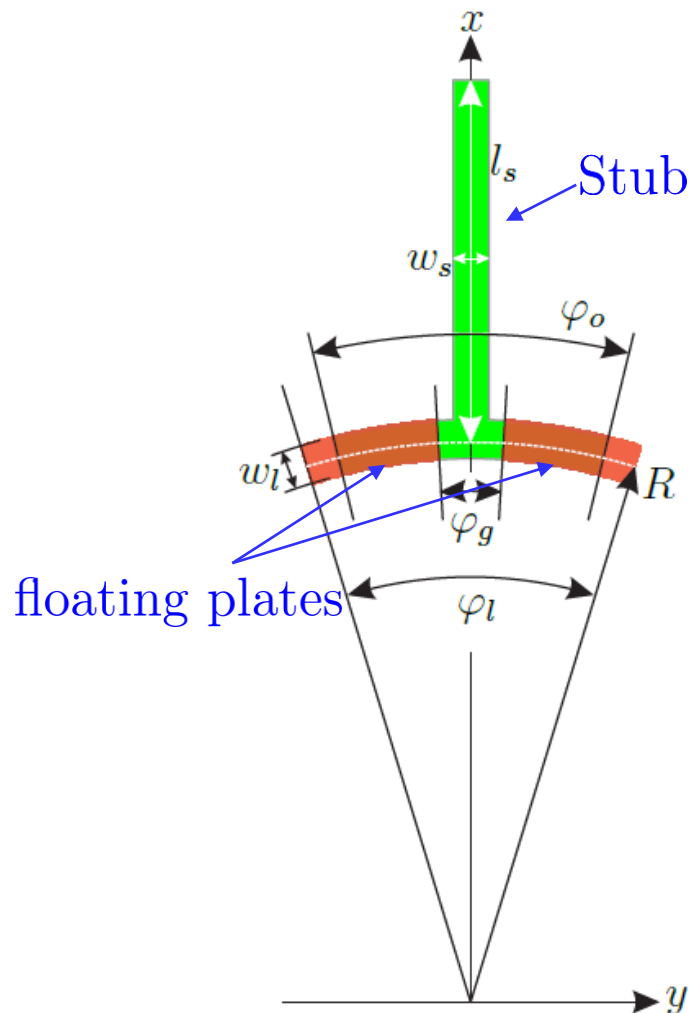
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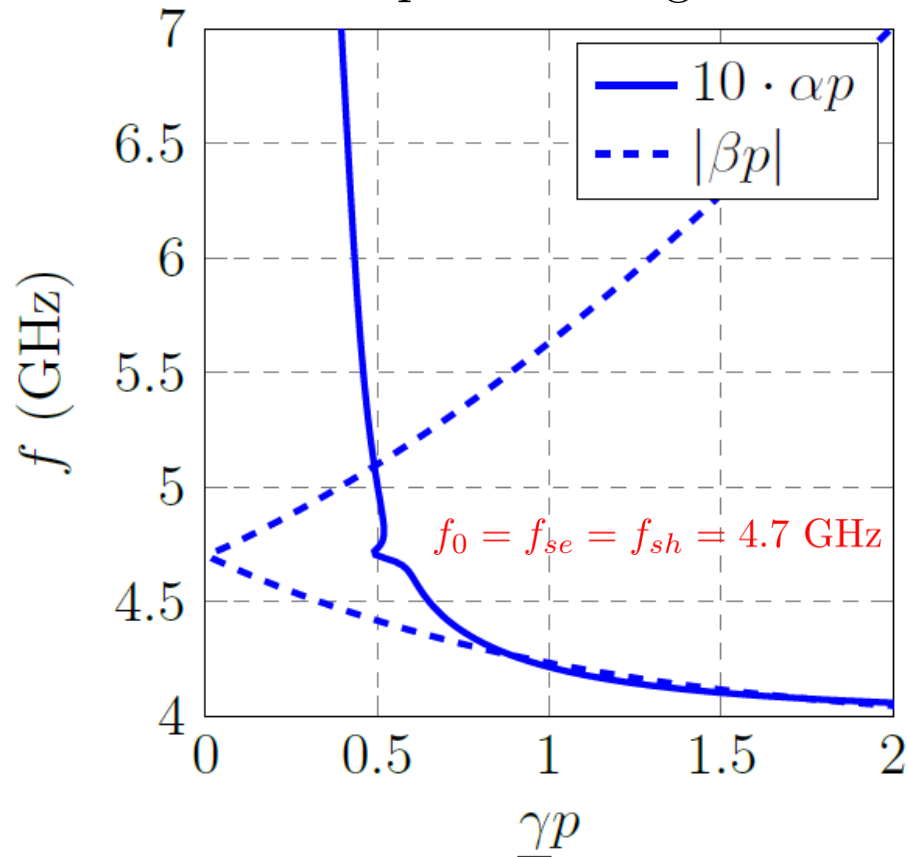
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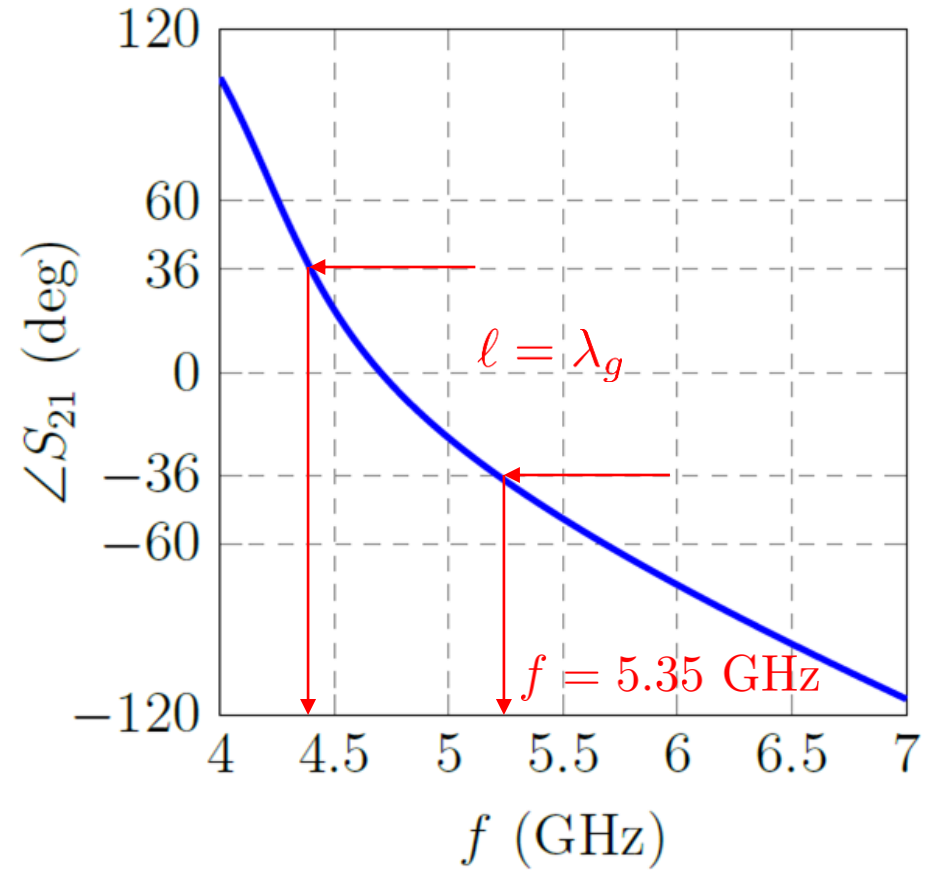


$N$	$R$ (mm)	$w_s$ (mm)	$w_l$ (mm)	$l_s$ (mm)	$\varphi_l$ (rad)	$\varphi_g$ (rad)	$\varphi_o$ (rad)
10	16.25	1.2	1.1	11.5	$2\pi/N$	0.125	0.505

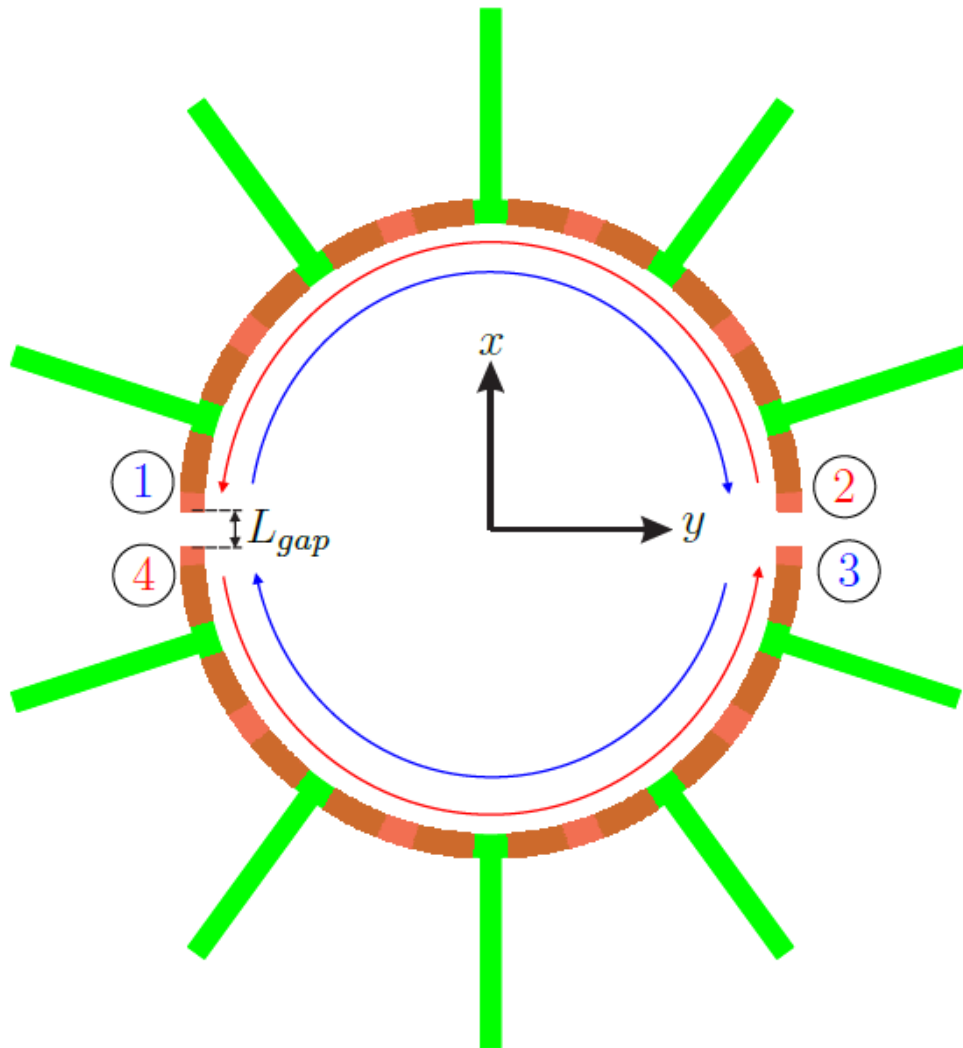
Dispersion Diagram



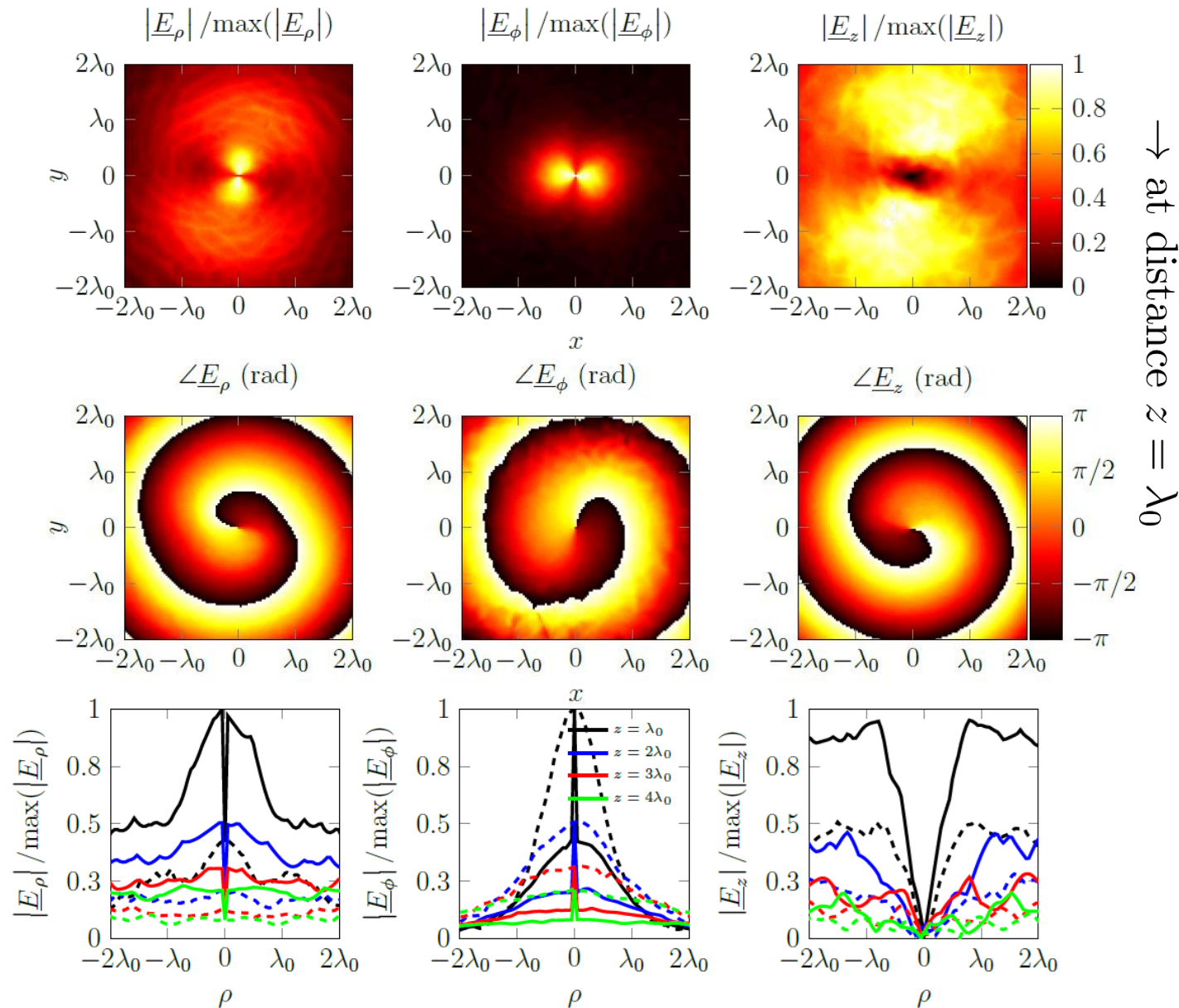
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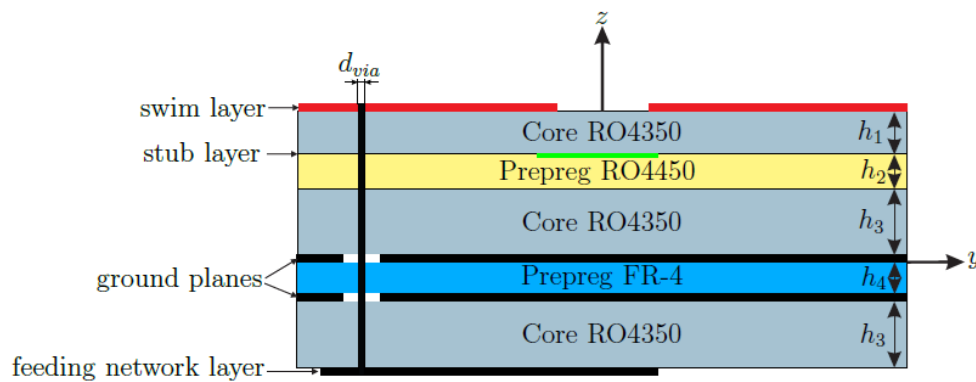
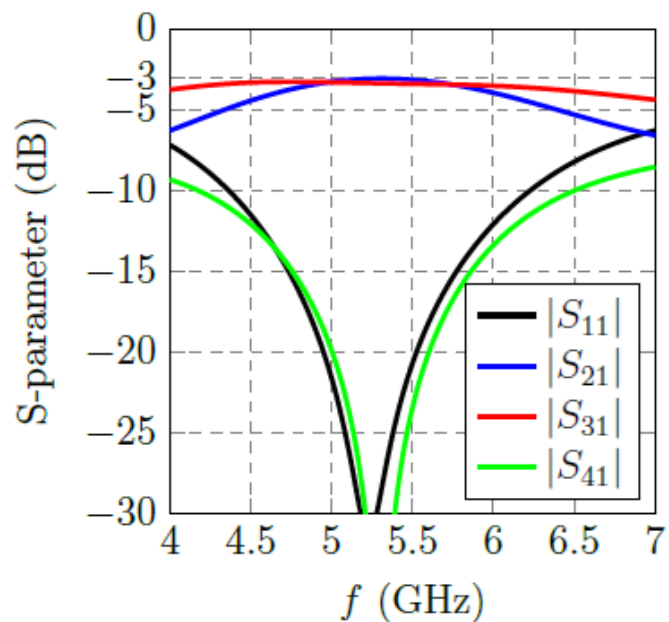
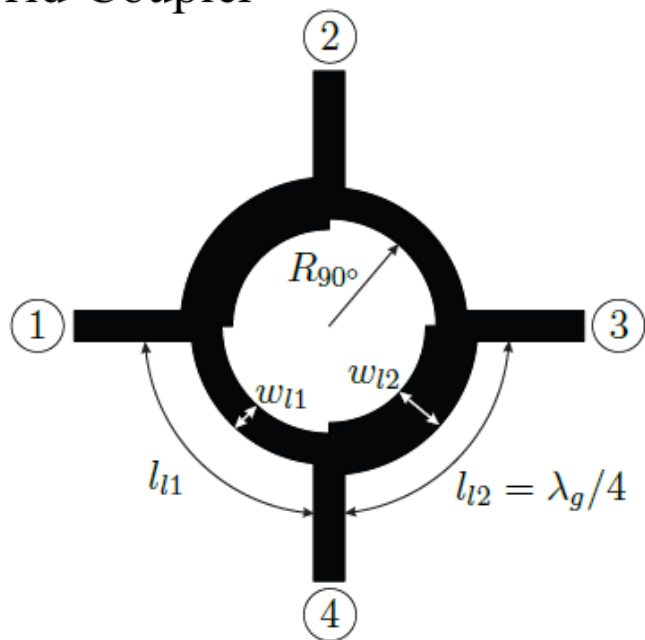




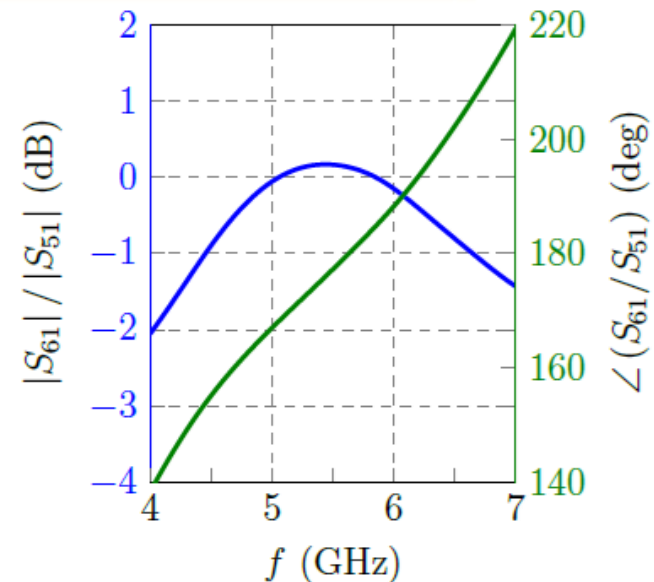
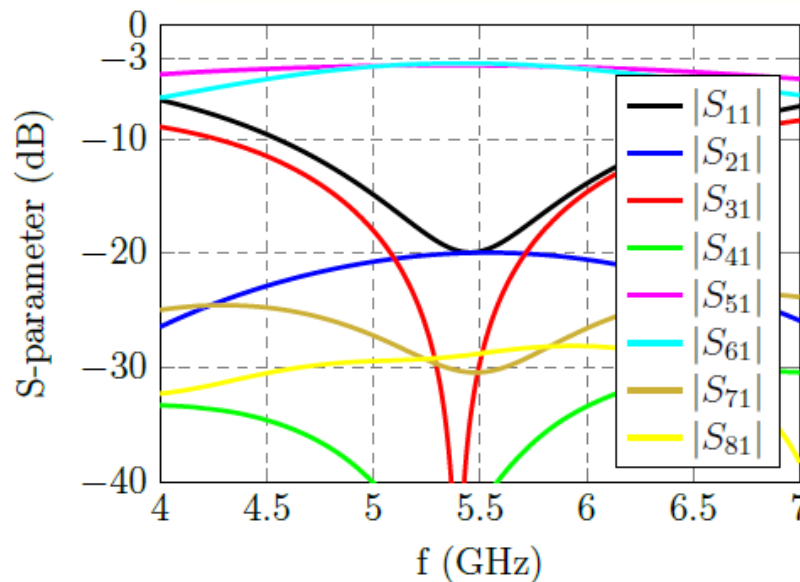
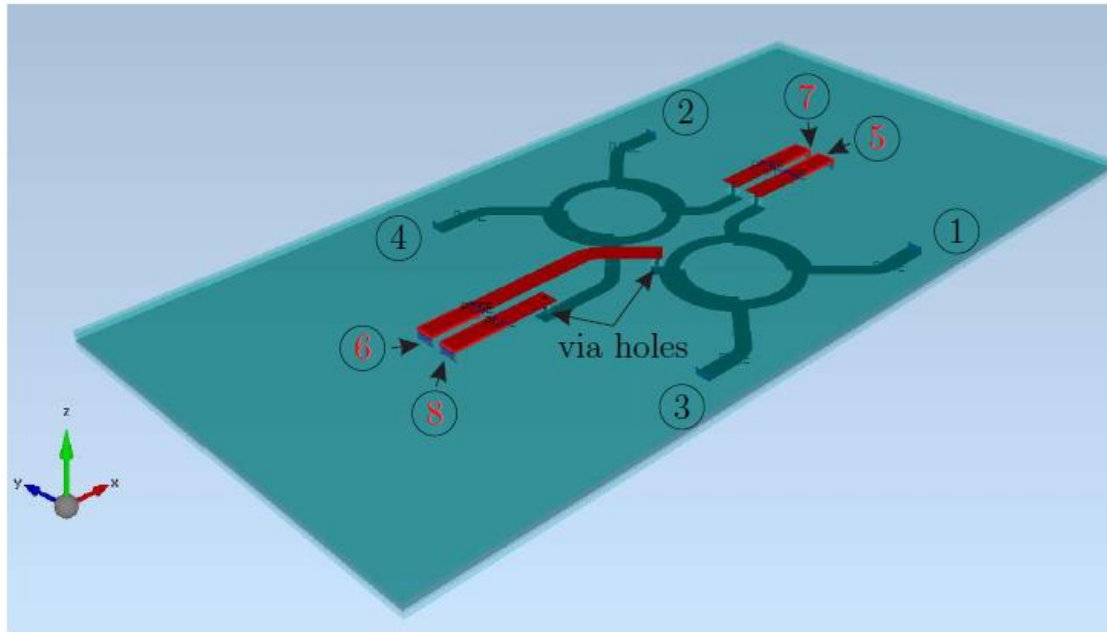
- ❑ Separation of  $L_{gap} = 2$  mm.
- ❑ Two topological charges excitation is possible.
- ❑ Ports excitation 1 – 3 or 2 – 4 to generate a topological charge.
- ❑  $m = \pm 1, 3, 5, \dots$  require differential excitation.
- ❑  $m = \pm 0, 2, 4, \dots$  require in-phase excitation.

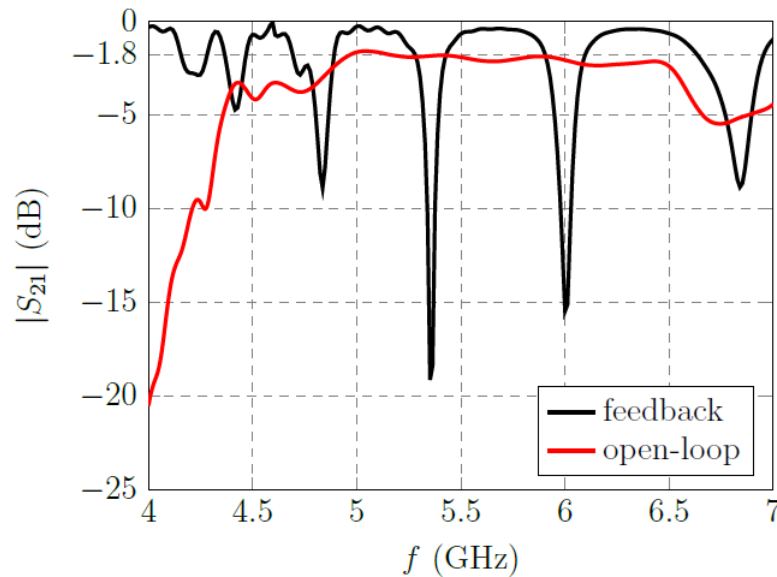
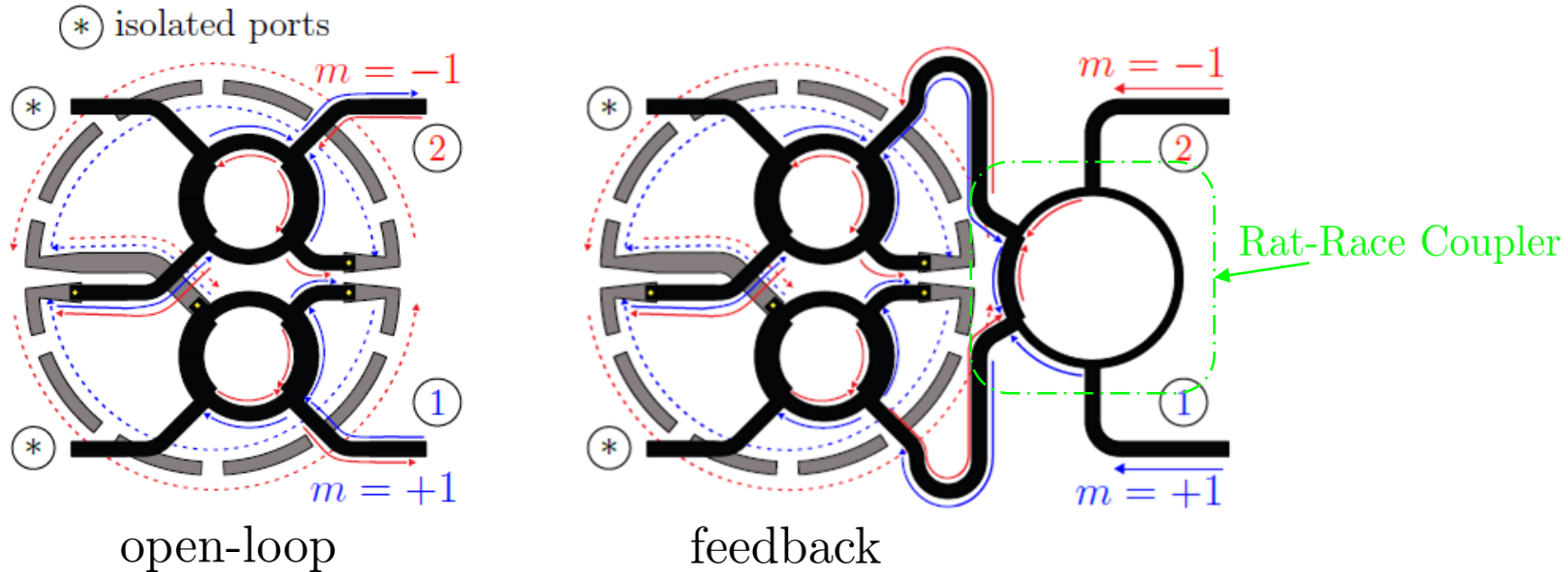


## 90° Hybrid-Coupler

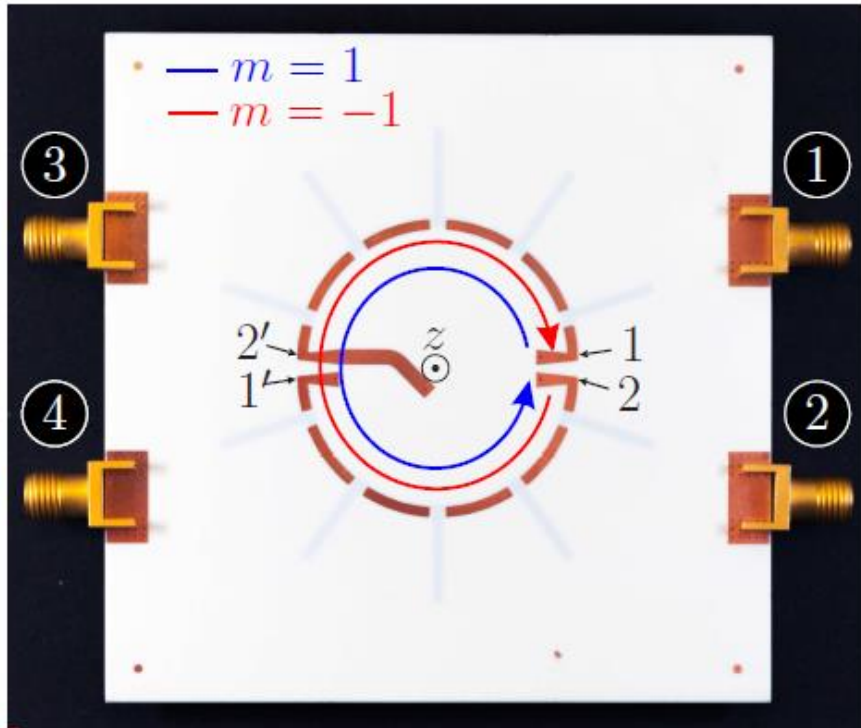


# Simulation of the Feeding Network

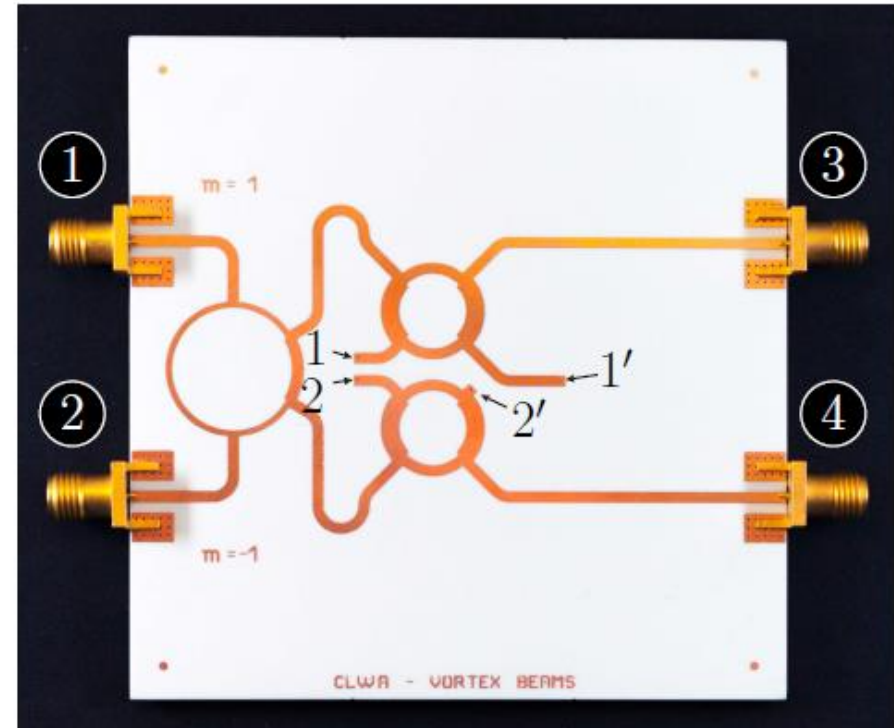




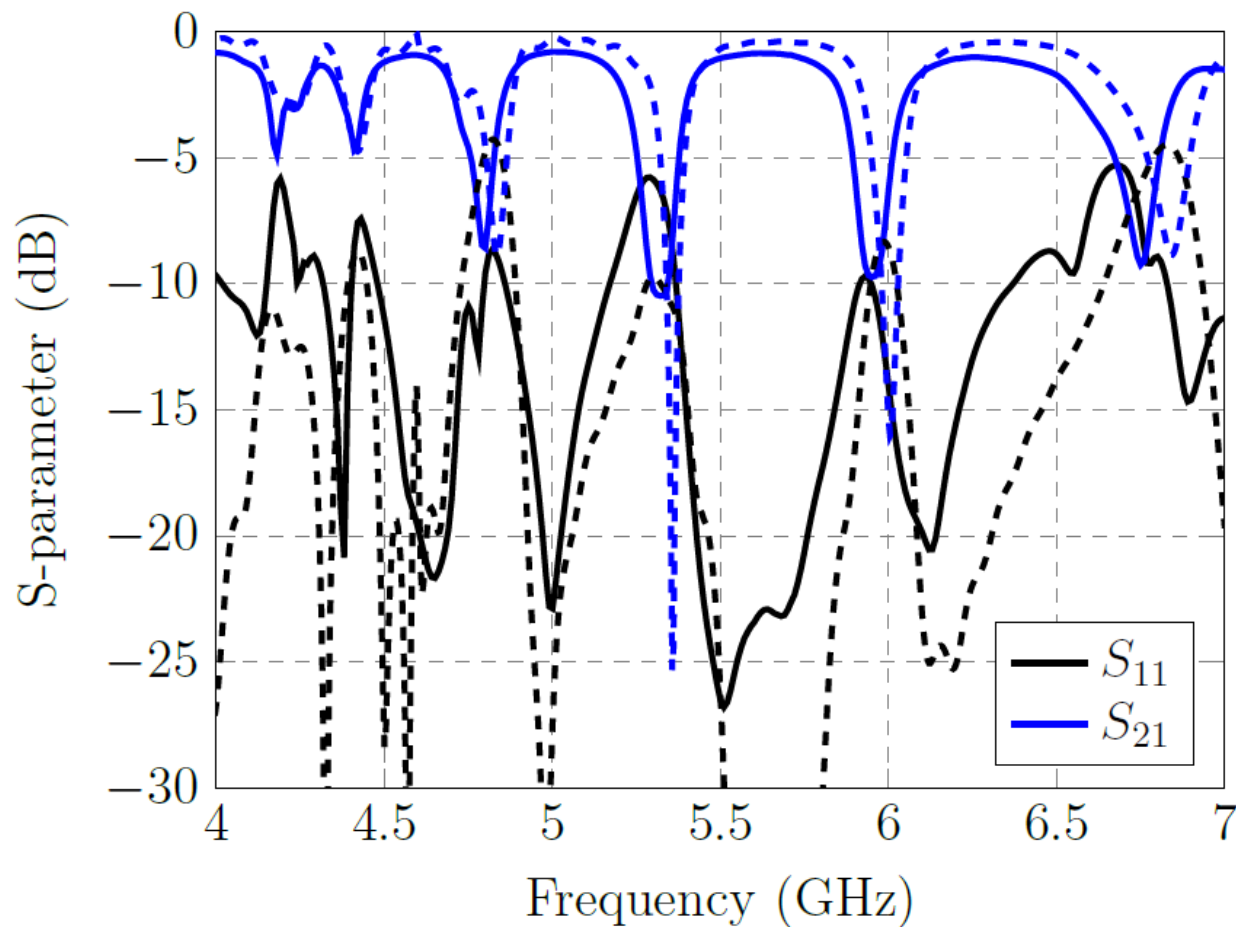
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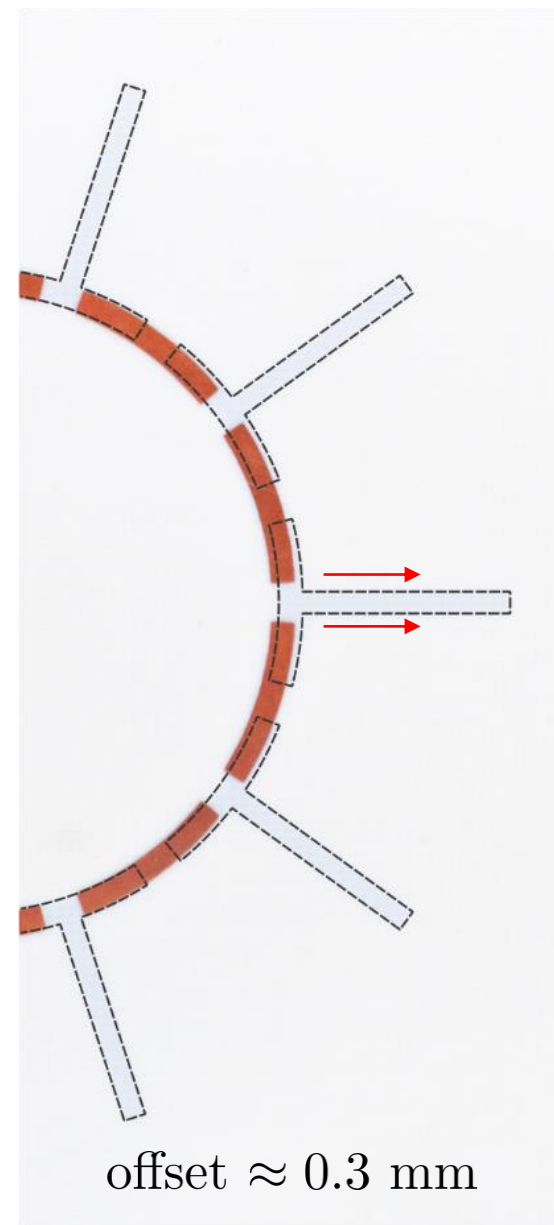
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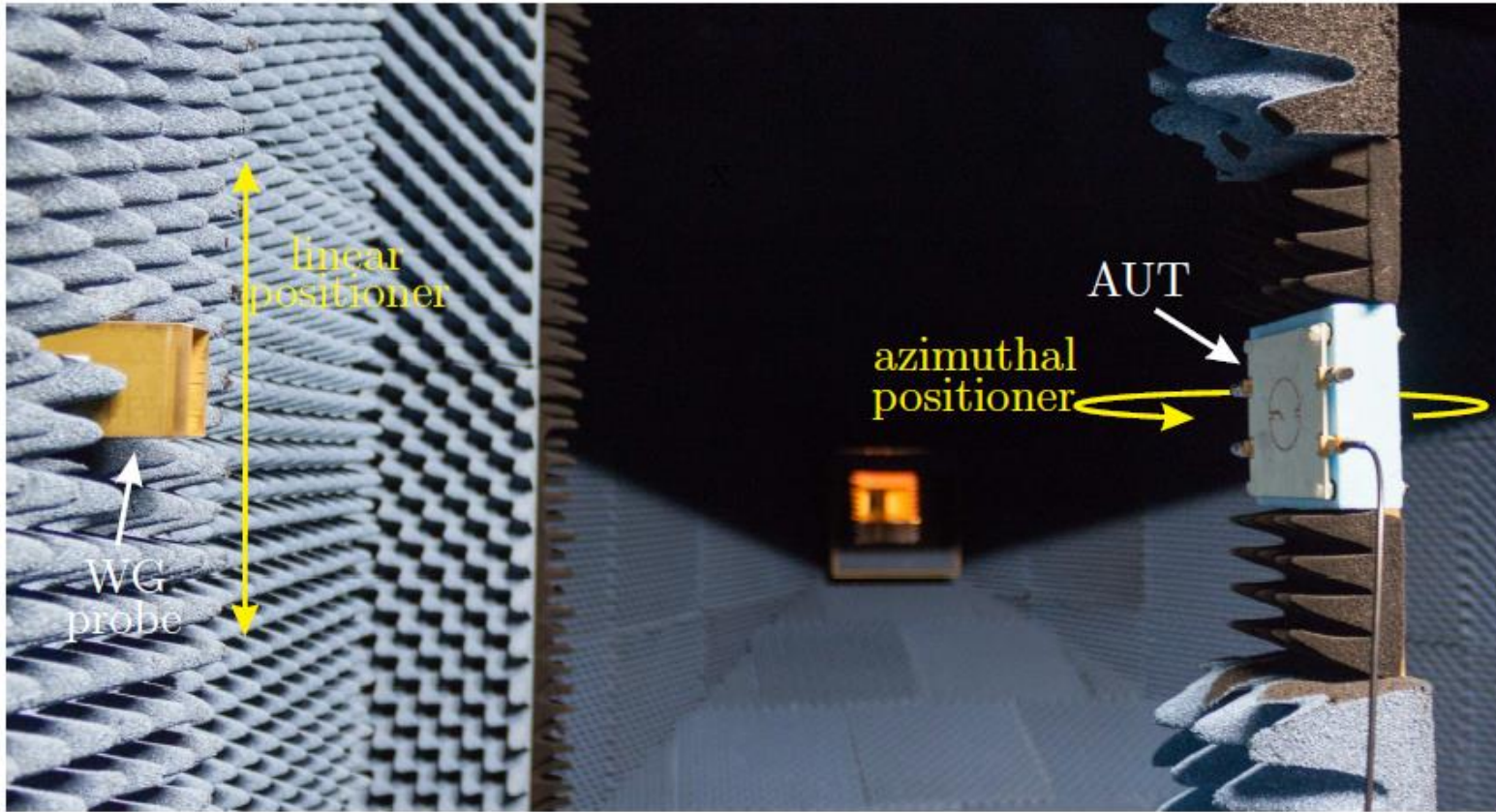




(solid) → measurement  
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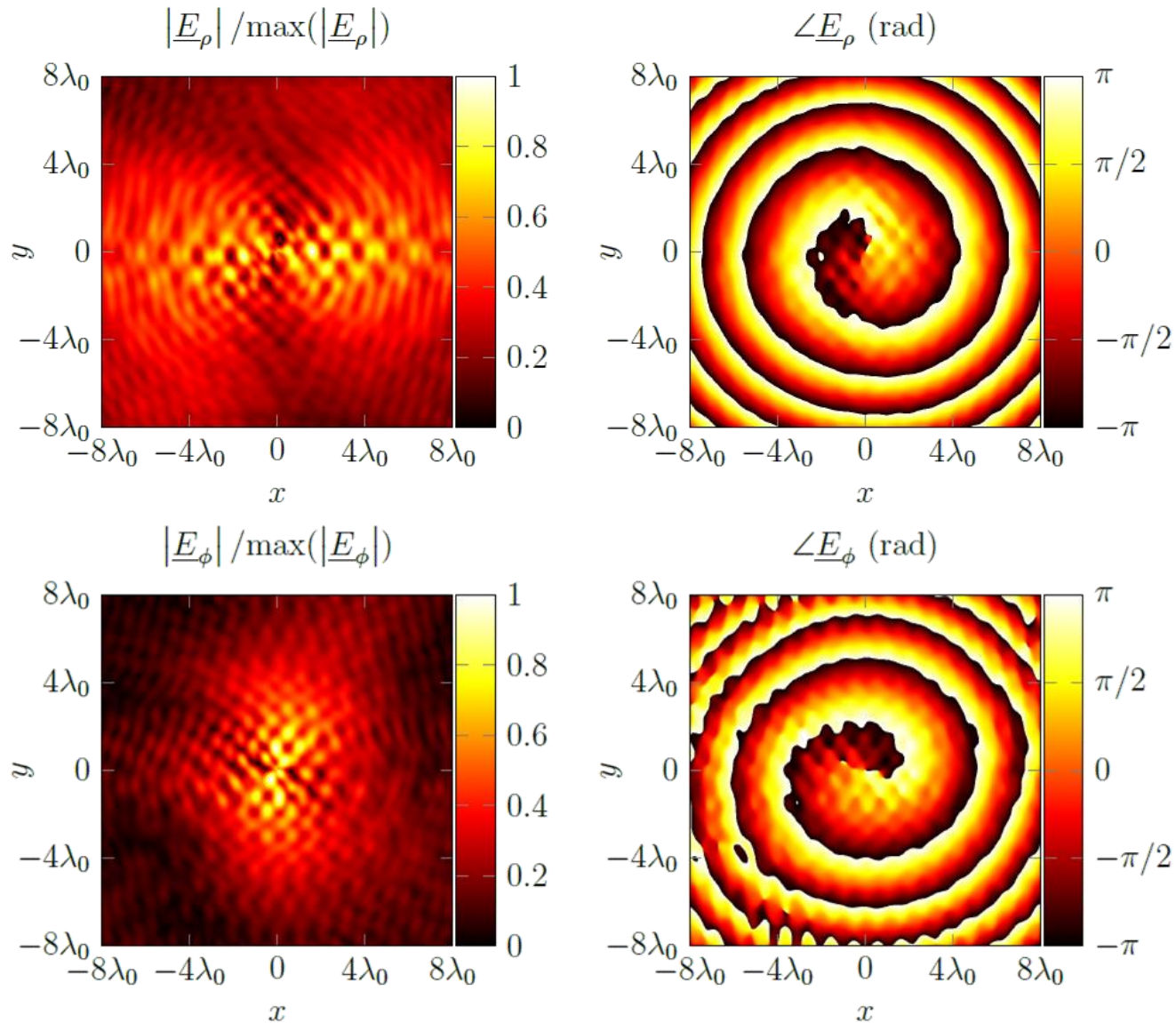






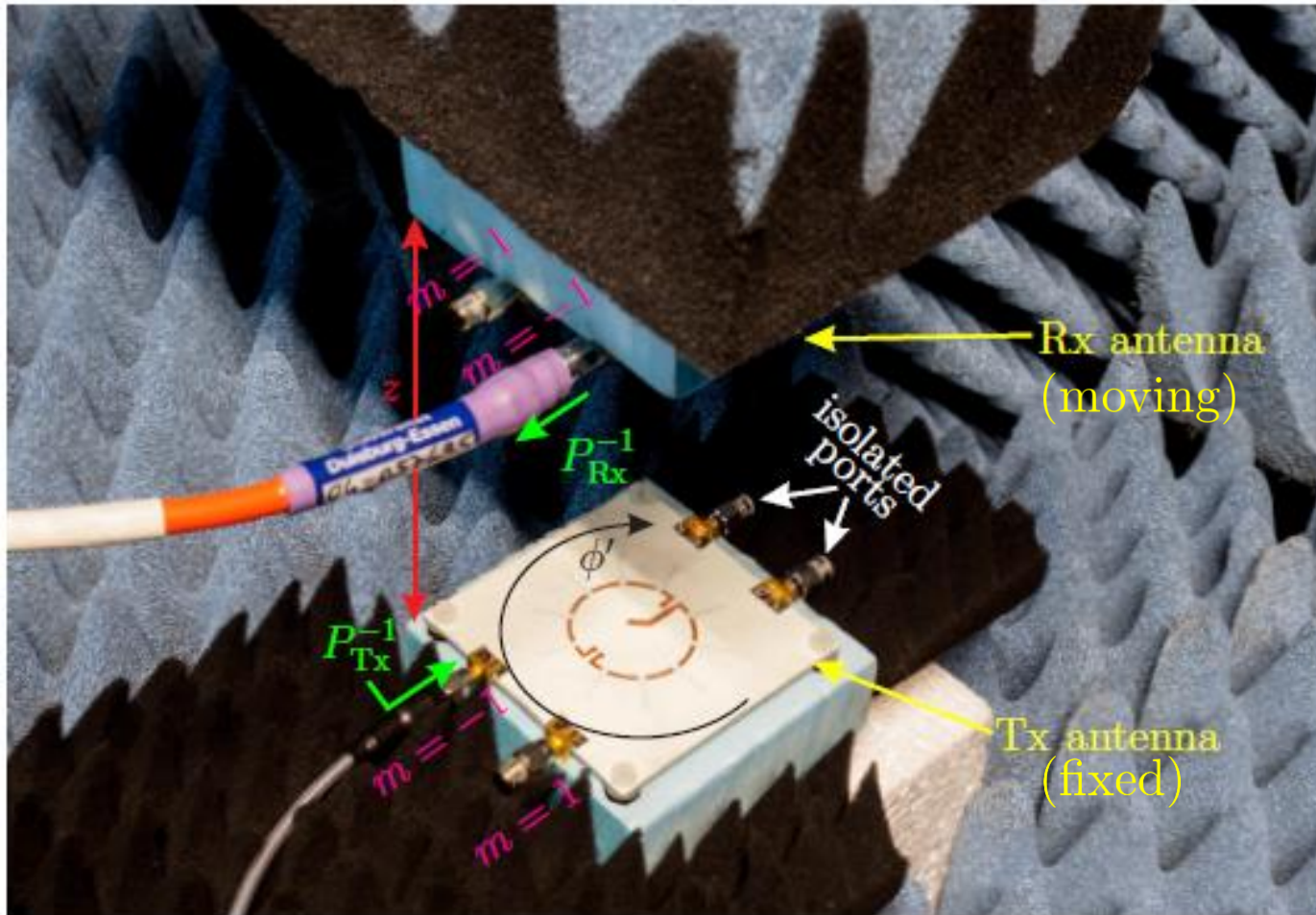
- E-Field sampling on a cylindrical surface
- Near-field to far-field transformation
- Back transformation to planar near-field

Measured at  $z \approx 10\lambda_0$

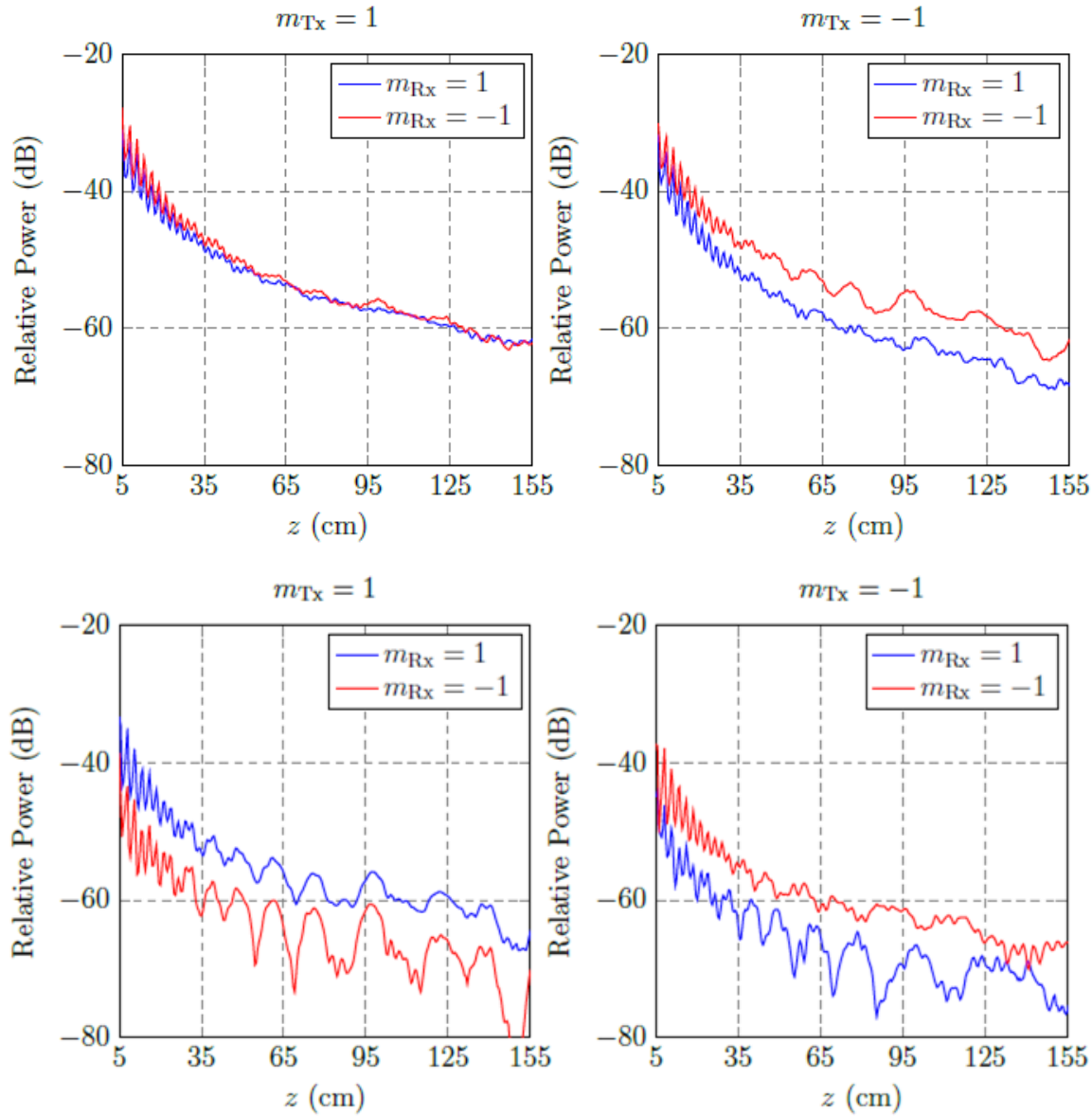




# Transmission Measurement Setup



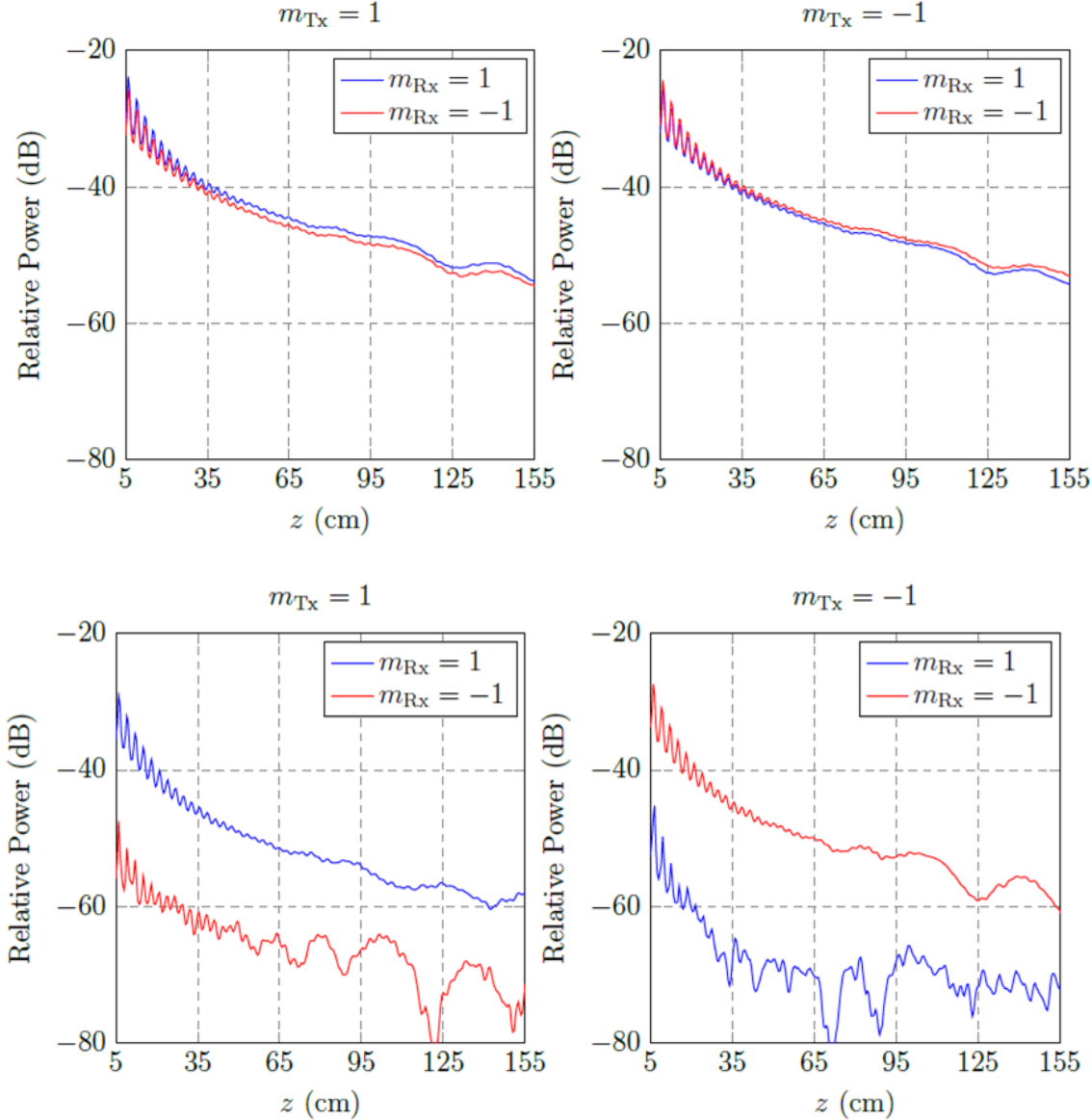
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$\phi' = 0^\circ$

$\phi' = 90^\circ$

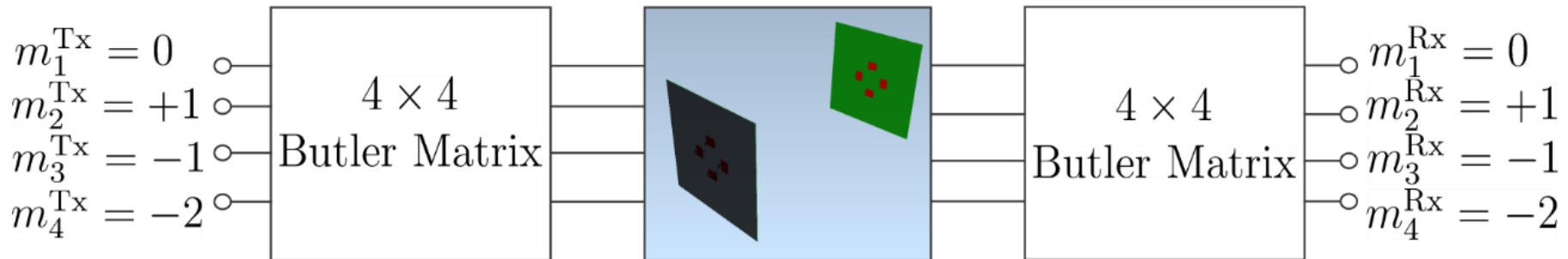
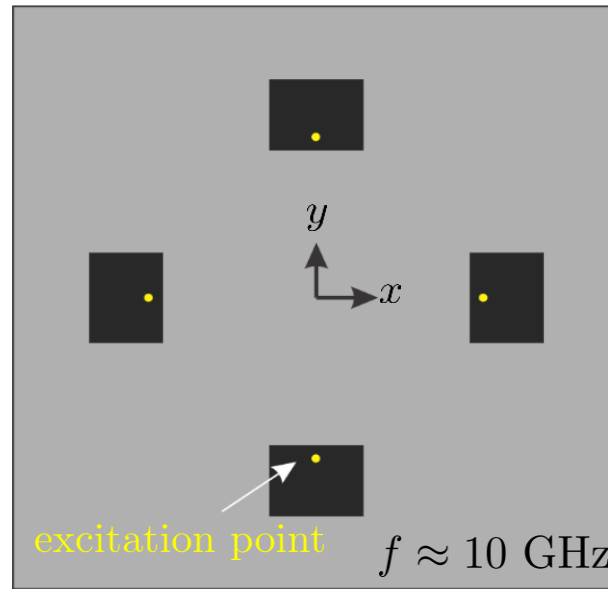
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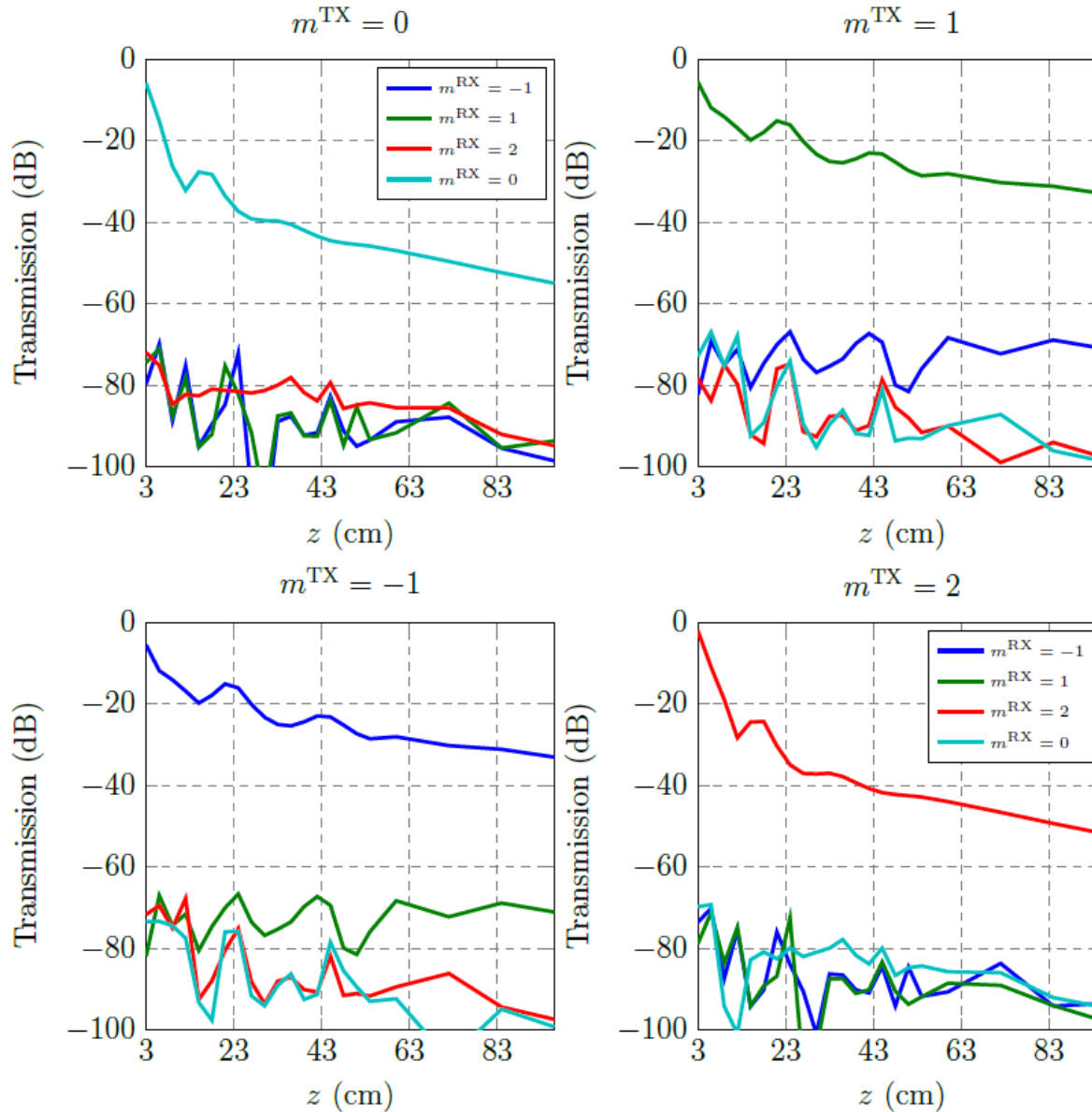
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Radial patch array







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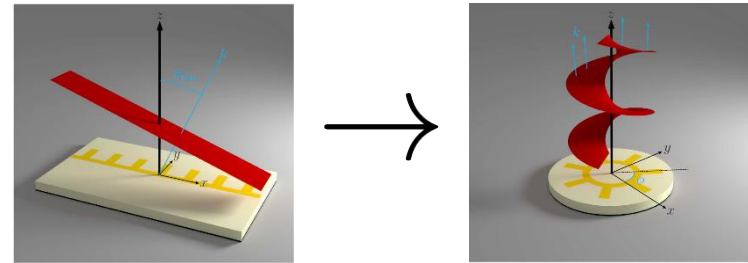
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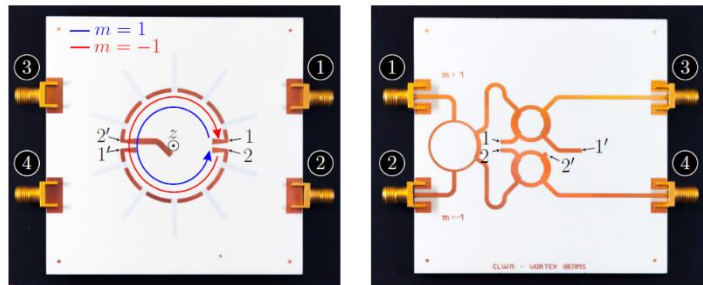
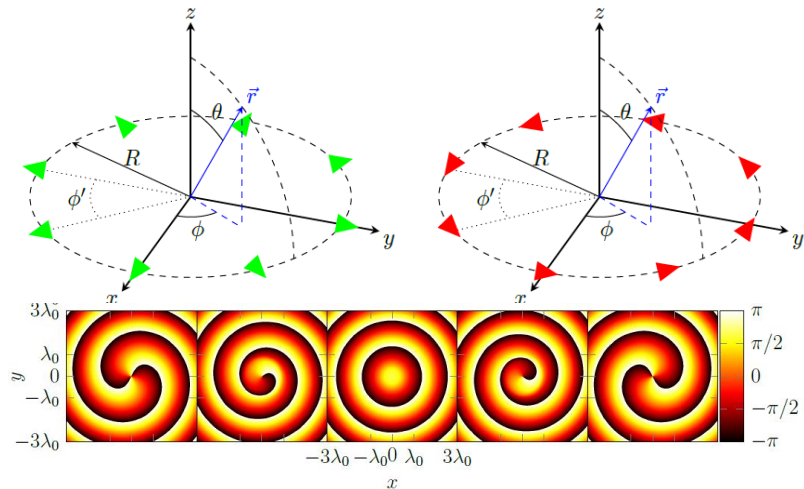
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- **Circular leaky-wave antenna** to generate orbital angular momentum
  - new technique
  - $\pm m$  simultaneously



- **EM modeling of CLWA**
  - valid in near- and far-field
  - models the series and shunt modes independently
  - phase & amplitude relations

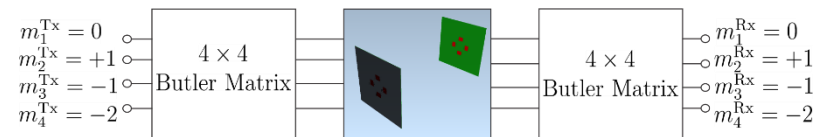


## □ Experimental Validation

- near-field measurement
- two channels multiplexing

## □ An alternative to CLWA

- circular phase array
- $N$  elements  $\rightarrow N$  independent channels



**Thank You!**