

NONLINEAR OPTICS (PHYC/ECE 568)

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Homework #3, Due: Monday March 7

Problem 1. Infrared Up-Conversion

Estimate the efficiency of the upconversion of 10 μm infrared radiation using sum frequency generation. The pump laser has $\lambda=532$ nm, with a power of 10 W. Use 2 cm long Proustite (use $d_{\text{eff}}=d_{22}$) crystal under perfect phase-matching and optimum focusing where $L=2Z_0$ (Z_0 is the Rayleigh range of the focused laser beam).

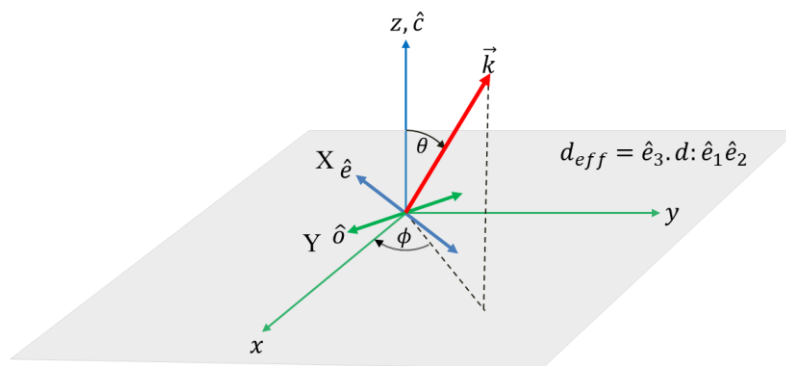
Problem 2.

(a) Show that d_{eff} , as defined by $P_3 = 4d_{\text{eff}} E_1 E_2$, is related to the d tensor via:

$$d_{\text{eff}} = \hat{e}_3 \cdot d : \hat{e}_1 \hat{e}_2$$

where \hat{e}_j ($j=1,2,3$) is the unit vector associated with E_1, E_2 , and P_3 .

(b) For a given geometry, d_{eff} is usually calculated in terms of d_{il} 's and the angles ϕ and θ as described in the figure below. Here x, y and z (or $1, 2$ and 3) are the crystal axis and X, Y , and Z (laboratory frame) are optical propagation axis (e.g. $k_2 \parallel k_1 \parallel Z$). Note: Y is in xy -plane (thus normal to z - or optics axis) and X is on zZ plane.



(i) Derive expressions for d_{eff} for a class 3m crystal (e.g. LiNbO_3) where $\hat{e}_1 = \hat{e}_2 = Y$ (ordinary), and $\hat{e}_3 = X$ (extra-ordinary). (This is known as type-I condition).

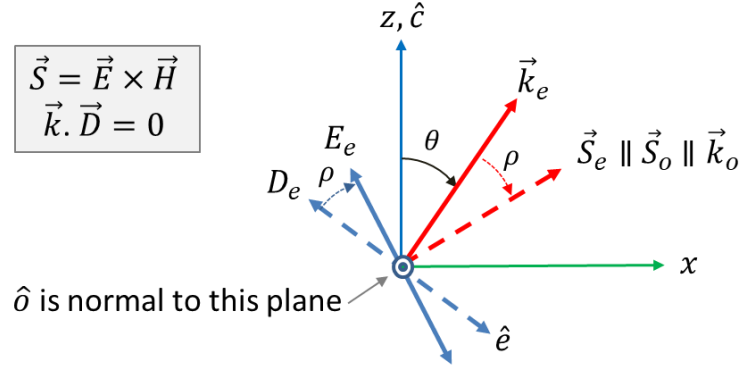
(ii) Repeat the above calculation for type-II condition where $\hat{e}_1 = Y$ (ordinary), $\hat{e}_2 = X$ and $\hat{e}_3 = X$ (extra-ordinary).

(iii) Find a geometry (i.e. θ and ϕ) that accesses the largest d_{il} element in LiNbO_3 . (see data provided here).

(iv) Find the phase matching angle for SHG generation at λ (fundamental)=1.15 μm for the part (i) and (ii). Discuss the phase matching situation for case (iii)

Problem 3. Poynting Vector Walk-off:

We know, from linear optics, that the e- and o-rays in a birefringent crystal walk-off from each other (i.e. double-refraction) resulting from the fact that k_e and k_o are not parallel. Known as Poynting vector walk-off, this is essentially the angle (ρ) between E and D vectors for the e-ray where $D = \epsilon : E$.



In the harmonic generation applications, such as SHG, this imposes a serious restriction on the useful length of the nonlinear crystal.

- a. Assuming a uniaxial crystal, calculate the walk-off angle ρ between e- and o-ray Poynting vectors. Show that

$$\tan \rho = -\frac{1}{n_e(\theta)} \frac{dn_e(\theta)}{d\theta}$$

- b. Show that for type-I phase matching SHG (o+o→e)

$$\rho \approx \tan \rho = \frac{n_o^2(\omega)}{2} \left[\frac{1}{\tilde{n}_e^2(2\omega)} - \frac{1}{n_o^2(2\omega)} \right] \sin(2\theta_m)$$

LiNbO₃ Properties

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & d_{31} & -d_{22} \\ -d_{22} & d_{22} & 0 & d_{31} & 0 & 0 \\ d_{31} & d_{31} & d_{33} & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ class } 3m \text{ crystal}$$

Nonlinear Optical Coefficients of LiNbO₃ at 1.06 μm

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|----------------------------------|-------|
| $d_{22} / d_{36}^{\text{KDP}} $ | 6.5 |
| $d_{31} / d_{36}^{\text{KDP}} $ | -12.3 |
| $d_{33} / d_{36}^{\text{KDP}} $ | -86 |

$$d_{36} (\text{KDP}) = 0.4 \text{ pm/V}$$

Refractive Indices at 20°C

| Wavelength, μm | n_o | n_e |
|---------------------------|---------|---------|
| 0.43584 | 2.39276 | 2.29278 |
| 0.54608 | 2.31657 | 2.22816 |
| 0.63282 | 2.28647 | 2.20240 |
| 1.1523 | 2.2273 | 2.1515 |
| 3.3913 | 2.1451 | 2.0822 |