

New study of geometry effect on chiral metamaterial nanostructures

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Abstract

In this paper, the Comsol Multiphysics version 5.0 is used to study the effect of geometric parameters on transmission of chiral metamaterial nanostructures. The angle of the chiral metamaterial element was varied to see his effect. Transmission coefficient (S_{21}) and reflection coefficient (S_{11}) are computed. In the case of nano chiral metamaterial structure, and depending on the application, the electromagnetic behavior can be adjusted by changing the angle of the chiral element.

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1. Introduction

Chiral metamaterial materials have attracted great interest in the breast of the scientific community. This type of medium to an interesting phenomenon is negative reflection (specific property for metamaterial). In addition, the artificial composite of open structures is a new perspective in the reflection and transmission effects of an electromagnetic wave. Today, there are several theoretical studies of modeling, simulation, and experimental work on these new materials [1-6]. In this paper, we will simulate a nanostructure of chiral metamaterial (FIG. 1), representing both the properties of metamaterial and chirality (optical rotation and circular dichroism), from the determination of the parameter's S, Which are not identical for the chiral medium due to the existence of circular polarization of left and right light (LCP and RCP). The chiral metamaterial cell (FIG. 1) is considered in a lossless air block, and excited by a polychromatic radiation source with the circularly polarized left LCP wave, and also for the right-hand RCP wave. The frequency varies from infrared 350 THz to ultra-violet 950 THz. The angel θ Defined in (FIG. 1) has been varied according to the values 90° and 60° , and then we have shown the angle effect on chiral metamaterial nanostructures.

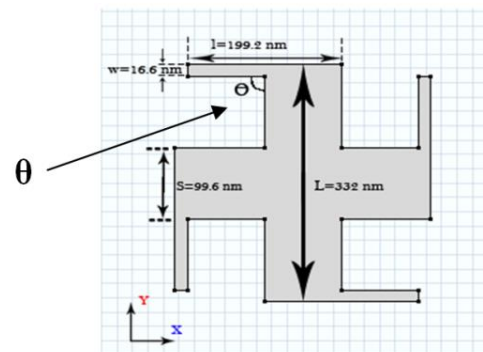


Fig. 1: Representation of the Chiral Metamaterials Nanostructure [7].

2. Results and comments

In this stage of our work we have studied two arrays (2×2) of cell elements, presented below (FIG. 2, 3). The wave propagated respectively in the two arrays is directed along the Z axis, for the two cases of left circular polarization LCP and right RCP. The thicknesses of the gold (Au) layers are identical: $C_1 = C_3 = 48$ nm, and the Al_2O_3 layer has a thickness of: $C_2 = 24$ nm.

S_{11} : Input reflection coefficient, when the output is adapted.

S_{21} : Direct transmission coefficient, when the output is adapted.

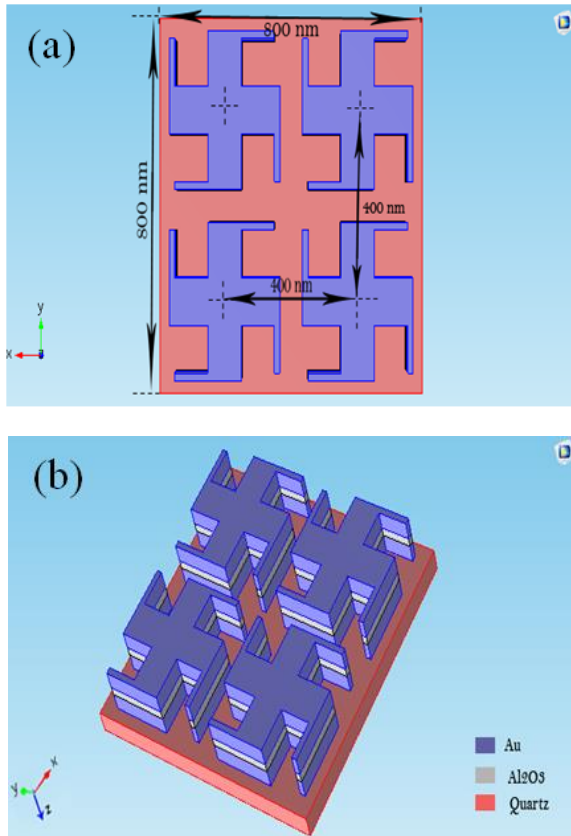


Fig. 2: (A) - Top View for Array of Elements with $\Theta = 90^\circ$ According to the Plane (X, Y), (B)-3D Representation for Array of Elements with $\Theta = 90^\circ$.

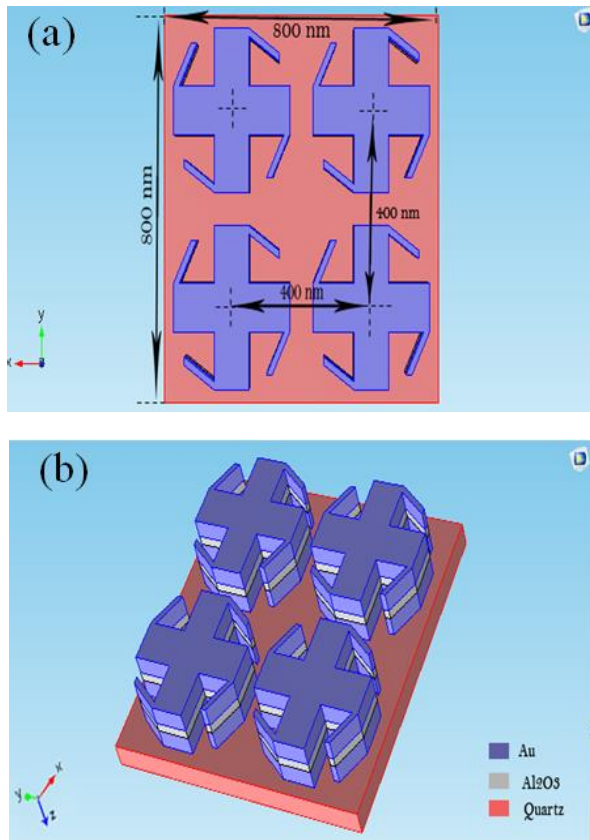


Fig. 3: (A) - Top View for Array of Elements with $\Theta = 60^\circ$ According to the Plane (X, Y), (B)-3D Representation for Array of Elements with $\Theta = 60^\circ$.

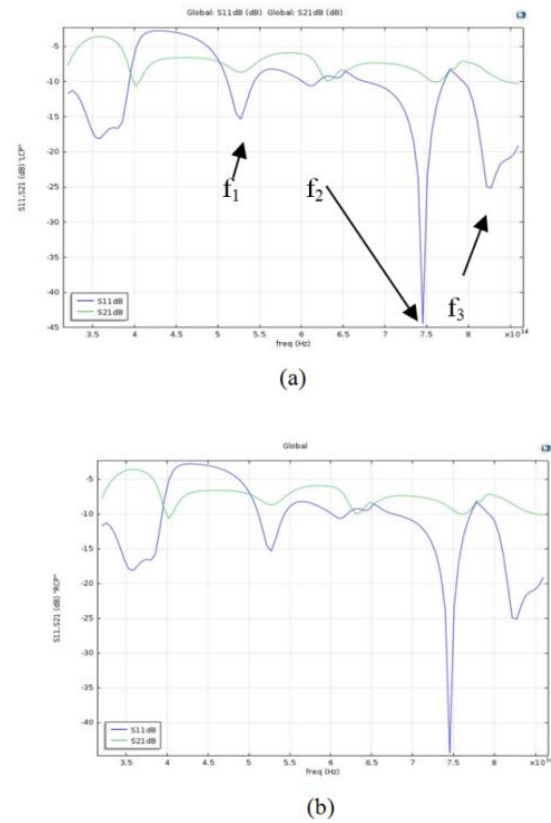


Fig. 4: (A) -Parameters S_{11} , S_{21} LCP for Array of Element with $\Theta = 90^\circ$, (B) - Parameters S_{11} , S_{21} RCP for Array of Element with $\Theta = 90^\circ$.

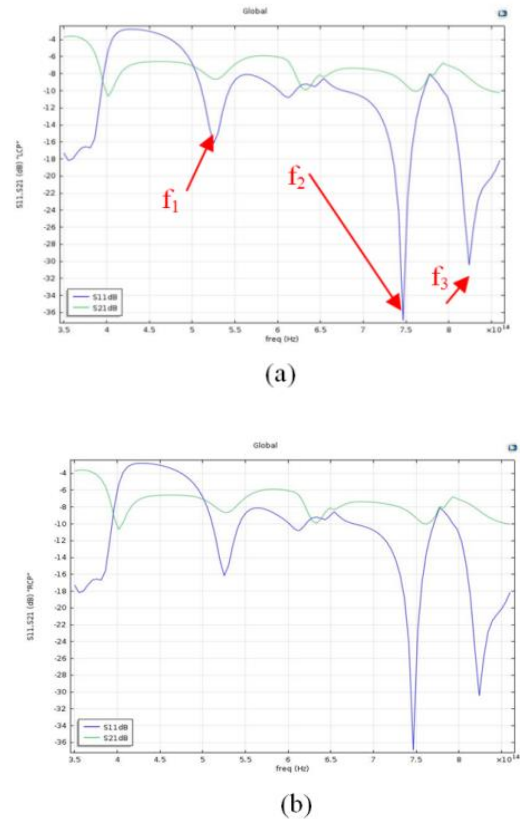


Fig. 5: (A) -Parameters S_{11} , S_{21} LCP for Array of Element with $\Theta = 60^\circ$, (B) - Parameters S_{11} , S_{21} RCP for Array of Element with $\Theta = 60^\circ$.

The curves presenting the reflection coefficients, respectively relative to the LCP and RCP waves (FIG. 4), for the array of an element with $\theta = 90^\circ$ (FIG. 2), simulated by Comsol Multiphysics 5.0, The values in dB of the parameters, S is apparent at frequencies f_1 , f_2 and f_3 , with the presence of certain harmful perturbations

and have a remarkable peak at the frequency $f_2 = 745.454\text{THz}$ for LCP and 745.455 THz for RCP, respectively relating to frequency bands linked according to the types of applications we need. Indeed, for array of an element with $\theta = 60^\circ$ (FIG. 3), it is maintained identical to the previous case, so the peak of the curve of the reflection parameter is located at the value $f_2 = 746.56\text{THz}$ for LCP and 746.665 THz for RCP. According to the curves (FIG. 5) of the geometrically modified structure with $\theta = 60^\circ$ are distinctly improved, and have clearly separated windows on the transmission of the structure for applications in well-defined frequency ranges. Consequently, the modified structure with $\theta = 60^\circ$ implied an increase in the resonant frequency (f_1, f_2, f_3) for RCP (the accelerated waves), counter to LCP (the decelerated waves), which illustrates and confirms the dichroism effect.

3. Conclusion

The results obtained by simulation; have led us to study the effect of geometric parameters such as the angle of the chiral element (θ) on the transmission coefficient (S_{21}), the reflection coefficient (S_{11}). We have highlighted this effect. Our perspectives on the subject of nanophotonics will be the study of physical properties for the application of optical antennas [6], and other applications, for example optical detection in biology [7].

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