
Semi-Analytic-Stacking-Algorithm

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This Software allows you to calculate the optical behavior of stacked materials. It requires you to already know the Jonas-Matrices of the complex layers in your Stack and works out their interactions. Calculations are based on $L \times 4 \times 4$ composite Jonas matrices, called S-matrices, and the Starproduct between them. L represents the wavelengths were you wish to calculate the behavior.

$$S = \begin{pmatrix} T_f & R_f \\ R_b & T_b \end{pmatrix}$$

T_f : Transmission Jonas matrix for light coming from the front

R_b : Reflection for the back

The exact usage is described in `example_usage.py`. In general you have to define multiple Layer-Objects:

```
l1 = MetaLayer(s_mat, cladding, substrate)
l2 = NonMetaLayer(n_vec, cladding, substrate)
```

These can be Meta-Layers where you need to provide a $L \times 4 \times 4$ S-matrix or Non-Meta-Layers where you need to provide a vector of refractive indices's at the desired wavelengths. Then you pass the layers to a stack object and build your result:

```
s = Stack([l1, l2, ...], wavelengths, cladding, substrate)
result = s.build()
```

In the case of layers cladding and substrate represent the environment in which `s_mat` or `n_vec` were measured. For Stack its what materials are below/on-top of the Stack.

1.1 The Stack

class `stack.Layer`

Parent class of Meta- and NonMetaLayer, contains information about which symmetry operations will be applied.

class `stack.MetaLayer(s_mat, cladding, substrate)`

Class to describe a Meta-Surface in the Stack.

Parameters

- **s_mat** ($L \times 4 \times 4$ *numpy Array*) – the $L \times 4 \times 4$ S-Matrix of the Meta-Layer, externally simulated/measured
- **cladding** (*vector*) – containing the refraction indices of the cladding.
- **substrate** (*vector*) – containing the refraction indices of the substrate.

class `stack.NonMetaLayer` (**n_vec*, *height*)

Class to describe a homogenous isotropic or anisotropic Layer.

Parameters

- **height** (*height in (μm)*) –
- **n_vec** (*one or two vectors containing the diffraction indices.*) – If only one vector is given homogenous behavior will be assumed.

class `stack.Stack` (*layer_list*, *wav_vec*, *cladding*, *substrate*)

Class to describe the whole Stack, contains information about the layers, cladding, substrate and further options.

Parameters

- **layer_list** (*list of Layer objects*) –
- **wav_vec** (*vector*) – The target wavelengths where the Meta-Surfaces were simulated/measured
- **cladding** (*vector*) – The refractive indices of the cladding.
- **substrate** (*vector*) – The refractive indices of the substrate. The first material to be hit by light.

build()

Builds all the propagation and interface matrices and multiplies them.

Returns **s_mat** – S-matrix describing the behavior of the whole stack. The dimension is HxLx4x4 when a height vector was given

Return type Lx4x4 or HxLx4x4 numpy array

build_geo (*order*)

A version of build using `star_product_cascaded_geo()`, change this doc_str

Returns **s_mat** – S-matrix describing the behavior of the whole stack. The dimension is HxLx4x4 when a height vector was given

Return type Lx4x4 or HxLx4x4 numpy array

create_interface (*l_2*, *l_1*)

Creates the interface S-Matrix for the transmission between two Layers

Parameters

- **l_1** (*NonMetaLayer or MetaLayer Objects*) –
- **l_2** (*NonMetaLayer or MetaLayer Objects*) –

Returns **s_mat** – interface S-Matrix

Return type $\text{L} \times 4 \times 4$ numpy array

create_interface_rot (*l_2*, *l_1*)

Creates the interface S-Matrix for the transmission between two Layers in case of rotation, uses `create_interface`

Parameters

- **l_1** (*NonMetaLayer or MetaLayer Objects*) –
- **l_2** (*NonMetaLayer or MetaLayer Objects*) –

Returns **s_mat**

Return type Lx4x4 S-Matrix

create_propagator (*layer*)

Creates the propagator S-Matrix

Parameters **layer** (*NonMetaLayer* or *MetaLayer* object) –**Returns** **s_mat** – propagation S-Matrix**Return type** H x L x 4 x 4 numpy array**order** (*order*)

Returns the nth order S-Matrix of the starproduct developpt via the geometric series.

Parameters **order** (*int*) –**Returns** **s_out** – S-Matrix of the order'th series developpt**Return type** H x L x 4 x 4 numpy Array**order_up_to** (*order*)

Builds a list of S-matrices up to the target order.

Parameters **order** (*int*) –**Returns** **s_list****Return type** list of HxLx4x4 numpy Arrays

1.2 Operations on S-Matrices

Symmetry operations can be applied directly to the S-matrices.

smat_operations.flip_smat (*s_mat*)

Flip a given S-Matrix

Parameters **s_mat** (*L x 4 x 4 numpy Array*) – S-Matrix**Returns** **s_out** – flipped S-Matrix**Return type** L x 4 x 4 numpy Array**smat_operations.mirror_smat** (*s_mat*)

Mirror a given S-Matrix

Parameters **s_mat** (*L x 4 x 4 numpy Array*) – S-Matrix**Returns** **s_out** – mirrored S-Matrix**Return type** L x 4 x 4 numpy Array**smat_operations.phase_shift** (*smat, ang*)

Shifting the phase of a given S-Matrix by a given angle

Parameters

- **s_mat** (*L x 4 x 4 numpy Array*) – S-Matrix
- **ang** (*float*) – rotaion angle in rad

Returns **s_out** – shifted S-Matrix**Return type** L x 4 x 4 numpy Array**smat_operations.rot_smat** (*s_mat, ang*)

Rotate a given S-Matrix by a given angle

Parameters

- **s_mat** ($L \times 4 \times 4$ *numpy Array*) – S-Matrix
- **ang** (*float*) – rotaion angle in rad

Returns **s_out** – rotated S-Matrix

Return type $L \times 4 \times 4$ *numpy Array*

1.3 The Starproduct

The Starproduct between two S-matrices is defined as follows:

$$\begin{pmatrix} r_1 & u_1 \\ w_1 & s_1 \end{pmatrix} \star \begin{pmatrix} r_2 & u_2 \\ w_2 & s_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} r_2(1 - u_1 w_2)^{-1} r_1 & u_2 + r_2 u_1 (a - w_2 u_1)^{-1} s_2 \\ w_1 + s_1 w_2 (1 - u_1 w_2)^{-1} r_1 & s_1 (1 - w_2 \cdot u_1)^{-1} s_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

. The following functions just apply this definition once analytically and once by usage of a geometric matrix series. Thats possible, because

$$(1 - u_1 w_2)^{-1}$$

could be easily written down in a series.

`star_product.star_product_analyt(SIN_1, SIN_2)`

Calculate Lifeng Li's starproduct for two S-matrices SIN_1 and SIN_2, such that $S = S1 * S2$. The starproduct between two arbitrary S-matrices was precalculated analytically with Mathematica.

Parameters

- **SIN_1** ($H \times L \times 4 \times 4$ *numpy array*) – H is height_vec_len, the dimension of the height vector given to the layer object. (Most of the time equal to 1) L is wav_vec_len the number of measured wavelengths
- **SIN_2** ($H \times L \times 4 \times 4$ *numpy array*) – H is height_vec_len, the dimension of the height vector given to the layer object. (Most of the time equal to 1) L is wav_vec_len the number of measured wavelengths

Returns **s_out**

Return type $H \times L \times 4 \times 4$ *numpy array*

`star_product.star_product_cascaded(smat_list)`

Iteratively calculates the starproduct (Li, 1996) of N S-matrices, where $N \geq 2$. The iteration goes the through the starproduct pair-wise, so that: $S = (((((S1 * S2) * S3) * S4) * \dots) * S_{n-1}) * S_n)$.

Parameters **smat_list** (*list*) – A list containing N $H \times L \times 4 \times 4$ S-matrices

Returns **smat**

Return type $H \times L \times 4 \times 4$ *numpy array*

`star_product.star_product_cascaded_geo(smat_list, order)`

A version of star_product_cascaded unsing star_product_geometric.

Parameters

- **smat_list** (*list*) – A list containing N $H \times L \times 4 \times 4$ S-matrices
- **order** (*int*) –

Returns **smat**

Return type An L-by-4-by-4 S-matrix.

`star_product.star_product_geometric(SIN_1, SIN_2, order)`

A version of `star_product` where the $[I - a @ b]**-1$ term is developed as a geometric series to the n th order.

Parameters

- **SIN_1** (*HxLx4x4 numpy array*) – H is `height_vec_len`, the dimension of the height vector given to the layer object. (Most of the time equal to 1) L is `wav_vec_len` the number of measured wavelengths
- **SIN_2** (*HxLx4x4 numpy array*) – H is `height_vec_len`, the dimension of the height vector given to the layer object. (Most of the time equal to 1) L is `wav_vec_len` the number of measured wavelengths
- **order** (*int*) –

Returns `s_out`

Return type `HxLx4x4 numpy array`

CHAPTER 2

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