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14. ABSTRACT The project "Plasmon-Induced Electric Effects in Plasmonic Surfaces" has been devoted to the exploration of plasmon-induced electric effects in metal nanostructured systems, in order to better understand the nature of these effects and explore possible applications. The plasmon related enhancement in photoinduced electric currents has been studied in metal structures and metasurfaces with various profile geometries. It was found that 1D periodically modulated structures with relatively high amplitudes of profile modulation show a sharp switching in the photovoltage polarity around the surface plasmon polariton resonance conditions. This finding presents new opportunities for applications, in particular, in plasmonic-based sensing allowing one to use a compact electric detection instead of bulk optical setup. It was demonstrated that small changes in the refractive index ($n=0.001$) or a presence of a monolayer on the surface could be ultimately resolved with switching in photovoltage polarity, which is not possible with traditional optical detection. Systematic experimental data has been obtained on the photoinduced electric effects which take place in various materials (gold, silver, aluminum, copper, platinum and permalloy) under plasmon resonance conditions in the dependence on the wavelength of illumination and surface geometry (films or gratings). Experiments show that the photoresponses exhibit a general decrease with an increase in the wavelength and strongly vary depending upon the material in the contrast to the theoretical predictions of the existing plasmonic pressure model.							
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Accomplishments

What are the major goals of the project?

This project is devoted to the exploration of plasmon-induced electric effects in various plasmonic systems. The goals of the project are:

- (1) Better understanding the nature of these effects;
- (2) Development of plasmonic structures and metasurfaces with strong and controllable plasmon-related electric responses; and
- (3) Exploration of approaches which would allow one to utilize these effects, including compact electric monitoring of plasmonic excitations in metal nanostructures.

What was accomplished under these goals and objectives

Major results and corresponding publications

1. The plasmon-related enhancement in photoinduced electric currents (plasmon drag effect, PLDE) has been studied in various geometries and found to be the most significant in systems with strongly modulated surface profiles [1,2]. In 1D periodically modulated structures with high amplitude of profile modulation, the photoinduced voltages demonstrated sharp switching in polarity at the surface plasmon polariton (SPP) resonance conditions. The spectral behavior and dependence on the sample orientation indicate a possible role of coupling between SPP and localized plasmons in the photoinduced electric signals.

Significant result: development of structures with strong and controllable plasmon-induced electric responses. *This corresponds to Goal 2 of the Project.*

[1] D. Keene; T. Ronurpraful; N. Noginova, "Plasmon related electrical effects in strongly modulated metasurfaces," Proc. SPIE 11080, Metamaterials, Metadevices, and Metasystems 2019, 110801C (5 September 2019); <https://doi.org/10.1117/12.2532069>

[2] T. Ronurpraful, D. Keene, and N. Noginova, "Plasmon drag effect with sharp polarity switching," New Journal of Physics. 22 (4) 043002 (2020)

2. We demonstrated the use of this feature for compact electric detection of environmental changes [2-4]. Small changes in the refractive index ($\Delta n = 0.001$) [3] or a presence of a monolayer on the surface [4] are ultimately resolved with the photovoltage polarity.

Significant result: We demonstrated that the switching in the photovoltage polarity in our structures presents new opportunities for sensing applications. *This corresponds to Goal 3 of the Project.*

[3] T. Ronurpraful, N. Jerop, A. Koech, K. Thompson, and N. Noginova, "Electrical detection of surface modification in plasmonic metasurfaces", SPIE-Metamaterials, Metadevices, and Metasystems 2020, 2020

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3. Based on the electrodynamic hydrodynamic momentum loss approach, light-induced effective forces were theoretically estimated in plasmonic material as the function of the wavelength of illumination and material parameters [5,6]. The magnitudes and spectral behavior of the plasmonic pressure force, striction force, and surface charge density are estimated for several materials and typical experimental conditions.

This corresponds to Goal 1 of the Project.

4. Systematic experimental data has been obtained on the plasmon drag in various materials (gold, silver, aluminum, copper, platinum and permalloy) in the dependence on the wavelength of illumination and material geometry (films or gratings) [6]. Experiments show that the photoresponses exhibit a general

decrease with an increase in the wavelength and strongly vary depending upon the material in the contrast to the theoretical predictions of the simplified plasmonic pressure model.

Significant result: The obtained data provides an information for an optimal choice of material/structure for applications and for further development of the theoretical approach to light-matter interaction in plasmonic systems. *This corresponds to Goals 1-3 of the Project.*

[5] D. Keene, P. Fortuno, N. Noginova, "Photocurrents in Plasmonic Metals. Spectral and material dependence," APS March Meeting, Chicago, IL, March 14-18, 2022, #A66.009

[6] D. Keene, P. Fortuno, M. Durach and N. Noginova, "Photoinduced electric effects in various plasmonic materials," J. Phys. Cond. Matt. 2022 (accepted)

5. Systems with both plasmonic properties and magnetic in-plane anisotropy have been developed and characterized for studies of possible plasmon-induced magnetization [7-9]. Electron magnetic resonance experiments and theoretical simulations confirmed the anisotropy and the presence of spin-wave resonances with wave-vectors of the same scale as plasmonic wave-vectors, as determined by parameters of profile-modulated structures. *This corresponds to Goal 3 of the Project.*

Significant result: development of the structures promising for spintronics and magnetoplasmonics.

[7] M. Shahabuddin, N. Noginova, "Plasmonic System with In-Plane Magnetic Anisotropy for Plasmon Based Magnetic Switching," OSA Techn. Digests CLEO: QELS Fundamental Science, San Jose CA 2019, paper #JW2A. 59.

[8] Yu. Gubanova, M. Shahabuddin, V. Gubanov, D. Keene, M. A. Rab, A. V. Sadovnikov, N. Noginova, "Magnonic and plasmonic effects in permalloy metasurfaces," SPIE Optics & Photonics Conference, August 1-5 2021, San Jose CA.

[9] N. Noginova, V. Gubanov, M. Shahabuddin, Yu. Gubanova, S. Nesbit, V. V. Demidov, V. A. Atsarkin, E. N. Beginin, A. V. Sadovnikov, "Ferromagnetic Resonance in Permalloy Metasurfaces", Applied Magnetic Resonance **52**, 749–758 (2021).

6. We experimentally found that in permalloy structures, the photoinduced electric signal depends on magnetic field with a characteristic hysteresis determined by parameters of the structure. [10,11].

Significant result: Coupling of magnetic, electric and optical/plasmonic effects has been demonstrated. This finding can find applications in spintronics, plasmonic circuits with magnetic control, and optical manipulation of electron spins.

This corresponds to Goal 3 of the Project.

[10] M Shahabuddin, DW Keene, M Durach, VS Posvyanskii, VA Atsarkin, N. Noginova "Magnetically dependent plasmon drag in permalloy structures, "JOSA B 38 (6), 2012-2018 (2021)

[11] D. Keene, Md. Rab, M. Shahabuddin and N. Noginova, " Magnetic control of photovoltages in permalloy based metasurfaces," SPIE 2022, # 12195-43.

7. Significant result: We demonstrated a possibility to control electrochemical reactions with plasmonic environment and additional light illumination [12-14]. Enhancement of the electrochromic polymer performance [12], faster charge transfer [13] and a possibility to control electrochemical deposition with light [14] in plasmonic environment have been demonstrated. *This corresponds to Goal 3 of the Project*

[12] M. Shahabuddin, T. McDowell, C.E. Bonner, N. Noginova, "Enhancement of Electrochromic Polymer Switching in Plasmonic Nanostructured Environment," ACS Appl. Nano Mater., 2 (3), pp 1713–1719 (2019).

[13] M. Shahabuddin, A. K. Wilson, A. C. Koech, and N. Noginova, "Probing Charge Transport Kinetics in a Plasmonic Environment with Cyclic Voltammetry," ACS Omega **6**, 50, 34294–34300 (2021).

[14] P. Fortuno, A. Wilson, N. Noginova, " Control of Electrochemical Reactions and Film Deposition with the Plasmonic Environment and Light Illumination," MRS Spring Meeting, Honolulu, Hawaii, May 8-13 2022, # PEQ10.09.11.

Other achievements:

Three students participating in the research defended their Ph.D. Dissertations. Two undergraduate students involved in the research got accepted to our Materials Science and Engineering Ph.D program.

Ph.D. Dissertations defended in Material Science and Engineering

1. David W Keene, "Electric Effects in Plasmonic Structures. Experiment and Theory", 2022, NSU

Dissertation presents results of experimental and theoretical studies of the plasmon-induced electric voltages in various materials and geometries toward a better understanding of the origin of the plasmon drag and bringing new findings into the field. *Relevance to the project: Goals 1-3.*

2. Tejaswini RonurPraful, "Novel Approaches in Plasmon-based Sensing", 2021, NSU .

Dissertation presents results of the study of the plasmon drag effect in various geometries and exploration of new approaches to biomedical sensing based on 1D plasmonic structures and plasmon-induced electric effects. *Relevance to the project: Goals 2-3*

3. Mohammad Shahabuddin, "Control of Electrochemical and Magnetic Phenomena with Metamaterials", 2021, NSU.

Dissertation discusses two new findings: (i) coupling plasmonic electric and magnetic effects in permalloy structures, and (ii) possibility to control electrochemical reactions with plasmonics. *Relevance to the project: Goals 2-3.*

What opportunities for training and professional development has the project provided?

The project involves participation of eight graduate students, who received training in nanofabrication and characterization, optical characterization and experiment, lasers, electron magnetic resonance, COMSOL simulation software, AFM and electrochemical experiments.

Graduate students closely involved in this research attended and presented at MRS, APS and CLEO conferences.

Three students successfully defended their Ph.D. dissertations based on the results of this work. Two students plan their defenses (M.S.) in near future.

Undergraduate students participating in the research receive training in basic fabrication and characterization.

The results and ideas of this research were used to enhance teaching of the graduate Nanotechnology course.

Have the results been disseminated to communities of interest? If so, please provide details.

The results have been published in the scientific journals and presented at conferences. The support from the agency has been acknowledged.

The publications include 29 papers in peer-reviewed journals and 16 of conference proceedings and technical digests. We presented 48 talks at the national and international conferences, such as CLEO, MRS, APS and SPIE.

Products

Publications in peer-reviewed journals

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Impacts

What is the impact on the development of the principal discipline(s) of the project?

- Better understanding of optical and plasmonic behavior of nanostructured systems, further development of the fabrication and characterization methods.
- It was shown that plasmon-induced electric effects could not be fully explained in frames of the simplified electromagnetic loss approach. Experimental data have been obtained on the photovoltages as the function of the illumination wavelength in various materials and geometries for further development of the theoretical description.
- Structures with the strong and predictable plasmon drag effects have been developed.
- New finding - strong magnetodependence of the plasmon drag in systems with both plasmonic and magnetic properties -can lead to new insights of light-matter interaction in plasmonic conditions

What is the impact on other disciplines?

- Possibilities to affect/ control physical and chemical processes with plasmonic environment and plasmonic excitations can bring new opportunities for research and applications in various fields
- We show that the plasmon drag effect can be used in biomedical/environmental sensing for compact high-sensitivity electric detection instead of bulk optical setup.

What is the impact on the development of human resources?

Graduate and undergraduate students received training in various fabrication and characterization methods. The research results and training obtained contributed to the successful defenses of three Ph.D. Dissertations this year. Undergraduate students involved in the research plan to choose graduate programs in future.

What was the impact on teaching and educational experiences?

Several graduate students received basic training in numerical simulation with COMSOL using the models used in this project. The ideas of this project and related materials were used to enhance the graduate course in Materials for Nanotechnology.

What is the impact on physical resources that form infrastructure?

Based on the results and new findings from this project, a proposal to NSF has been submitted for the acquisition of a new Electron Spin Resonance Spectrometer. It is awarded. The instrumentation will be installed in near future.

PROJECT OUTCOMES

The project "Plasmon-Induced Electric Effects in Plasmonic Surfaces" has been devoted to the exploration of plasmon-induced electric effects in metal nanostructured systems, in order to better understand the nature of these effects and explore possible applications.

The plasmon-related enhancement in photoinduced electric currents has been studied in metal structures and metasurfaces with various profile geometries. It was found that 1D periodically modulated structures with relatively high amplitudes of profile modulation show a sharp switching in the photovoltage polarity around the surface plasmon polariton resonance conditions. This finding presents new opportunities for applications, in particular, in plasmonic-based sensing allowing one to use a compact electric detection instead of bulk optical setup. It was demonstrated that small changes in the refractive index ($\Delta n=0.001$) or a presence of a monolayer on the surface could be ultimately resolved with switching in photovoltage polarity, which is not possible with traditional optical detection.

Systematic experimental data has been obtained on the photoinduced electric effects which take place in various materials (gold, silver, aluminum, copper, platinum and permalloy) under plasmon resonance conditions in the dependence on the wavelength of illumination and surface geometry (films or gratings). Experiments show that the photoresponses exhibit a general decrease with an increase in the wavelength and strongly vary depending upon the material in the contrast to the theoretical predictions of the existing plasmonic pressure model. The obtained data provide an information for an optimal choice of material and illumination conditions for a particular application and for further development of the theoretical approach to light-matter interaction and electron dynamics in plasmonic systems.

Structures where both plasmonic and magnetic (spin-wave) properties can be engineered with nanoscale geometry were developed. It was found that such structures demonstrate coupling of magnetic, optical and electric effects, which can be applied in various fields ranging from optoelectronics with magnetic control to optical switching of magnetization for fast information processing.

In addition, the effects of the plasmonic environment and plasmonic excitations on various physical and chemical processes have been explored. The enhancement of the electrochromic polymer performance, faster charge transfer and a possibility to control electrochemical deposition with light and plasmonic environment have been demonstrated.