Optimizing Fluorescence of Diamond Color Centers Encapsulated Into Core-shell Nano-resonators

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Enhancement of diamond color centers



Nano-cavities and apertures

to enhance emission

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Principles to maximize radiative rate via spectral engineering

- Excitation enhancement:
- $\gamma^{excitation} \left| \gamma_{0}^{excitation} = \left| p \cdot E \right| / \left| p_{0} \cdot E_{0} \right|$
- According to reciprocity radiative rate enhancement at excitation:



 QE_0

• Emission enhancement, total decay rate enhancement - > Purcell factor



Implementation into numerical methods & GLOBAL



Tuning dipole position and orientation

Conditional optimization

QE / Purcell factor optimization by stepping criterion regarding the Purcell factor / QE

GLOBAL implemented via LiveLink for MATLAB: Sampling (Monte Carlo), Clustering (Single-link), Local searching (UNIRANDI, Random walk, BFGS)

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QE maximization with Purcell criterion



-radiative rate: Purcell*QE

Purcell maximization with QE criterion

charge distribution

Integrated parameter cube





Different metals

Extraction of wavelength dependent optical responseInspection of near-field at extremaCentralized dipole-radiated and absorbed power =>Enorm,De-centralized dipole-Purcell factor, QEpowerflow,Different criteria

De-centralized dipole Different criteria Different objective function

Parametric sweep before optimization



small cores are advantageous to achieve large total decay rate independently of shell thickness large cores with thin shells are advantageous to improve the QE

an optimal core-shell combination exist

NV and SiV color center excitation enhancement: Au/Ag core-shell



QE criterion: radiative rate larger, detuning smaller

silver better:

larger QE and radiative rate, smaller detuning larger core, larger distance

| | criterion | Ρ | Q(%) | QxP | Δλ(nm) | 2r(nm) | t(nm) | r/t | d(nm) | φ(°) |
|---------|-----------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|-------|------|-------|------|
| | 10 | 24.93 | 86.32 | 21.52 | 22 | 105.66 | 25.66 | 2.06 | 52.83 | 0.00 |
| Purcell | Ag/Au | 0.82 | 2 5.08 | 4.16 | 0.48 | 2.01 | 1.25 | 1.61 | 2.01 | |
| 0 | 50 | 136.36 | 63.06 | 85.98 | 6 | 63.63 | 14.02 | 2.27 | 31.81 | 0.00 |
| QE | Ag/Au | 1.84 | 6.30 | 11.58 | 0.23 | 1.52 | 0.67 | 2.27 | 1.52 | |

NV color center emission enhancement: Au/Ag core-shell



~10 / 10 radiative rate enhancement, Purcell / QE criterion: peaks at λ >~ 650 nm Purcell larger radiative rate, same detuning



~10 / 100 radiative rate enhancement, Purcell / QE criterion: peak at λ >~ 650 nm

QE larger radiative rate, smaller detuning

silver better: slightly larger QE and radiative rate, same/smaller detuning larger/smaller core, larger/smaller distance

| | criterion | Р | Q(%) | QxP | Δλ(nm) | 2r(nm) | t(nm) | r/t | d(nm) | φ(°) |
|---------|-----------|--------|-------|-------|--------|--------|-------|------|-------|------|
| Durcell | 25 | 39.73 | 83.43 | 33.14 | 12 | 119.21 | 16.96 | 3.52 | 59.60 | 0.00 |
| Purcell | Ag/Au | 0.86 | 1.58 | 1.36 | 1.00 | 1.25 | 0.88 | 1.43 | 1.25 | |
| QE | 20 | 142.29 | 64.85 | 92.28 | 10 | 86.13 | 10.77 | 4.00 | 43.06 | 0.00 |
| | Ag/Au | 4.40 | 1.06 | 4.64 | 0.83 | 0.80 | 0.47 | 1.70 | 0.80 | |

SiV color center emission enhancement: Au/Ag core-shell



silver better: enhanced QE and radiative rate, smaller detuning

larger/smaller core, larger/smaller distance

| | criterion | Ρ | Q(%) | Qcorr(%) | QxP | Δλ(nm) | 2r(nm) | t(nm) | r/t | d(nm) | φ(°) |
|---------|-----------|--------|-------|----------|--------|--------|--------|-------|------|-------|------|
| Durcoll | 10 | 41.62 | 90.26 | 74.21 | 37.57 | 10 | 144.00 | 15.39 | 4.68 | 72.00 | 0.00 |
| Purceil | Ag/Au | 0.80 | 1.85 | 1.78 | 1.48 | 0.50 | 1.36 | 1.20 | 1.13 | 1.36 | |
| 05 | 20 | 235.12 | 62.33 | 60.03 | 146.54 | -2 | 82.76 | 7.55 | 5.48 | 41.38 | 0.00 |
| QE | Ag/Au | 4.03 | 1.70 | 1.89 | 6.84 | 0.09 | 0.90 | 0.58 | 1.56 | 0.90 | |

Centralized dipoles: single wavelength tendency



Total decay rate: increase with wavelength except in configuration_Au_Q_{crit}

Silver better except configuation_Ag_P_{crit} QE: peaks at 650 nm except in configuration_Ag_P_{crit}

Silver better

Radiative rate enhancement: increases with wavelength according to wavelength dependency of material limits

Silver better

NV center simultaneous enhancement via Au



0.00

NV center simultaneous enhancement via Ag



Purcell maximization with QE criterion



Integrated parameter cube



Purcell / QE criterion excitation / emission

~1 - 10/1-100 excitation - emission enhancement single peaks at 532 nm< λ <650 nm / 650 nm

silver is better in excitation and emission enhancement smaller core with thinner shell, smaller dipole distance

Dual: at excitation all quantities are smaller with QE_{crit} better in emission enhancement, smaller detuning

| | | exci | tation | | | | | emission | | | | | | | | |
|---------|-----------|-------|--------|------|--------|-----------|---------|----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|------|-------|------|
| | criterion | Р | Q(%) | QxP | Δλ(nm) | criterion | Ρ | Q(%) | QxP | Δλ(nm) | QxP^2 | 2r(nm) | t(nm) | r/t | d(nm) | φ(°) |
| | 10 | 10.56 | 40.80 | 4.31 | . 54 | . 10 | 13.02 | 64.49 | 8.40 | -64 | 36.17 | 65.04 | 10.63 | 3.06 | 32.52 | 0.00 |
| Purcell | Ag/Au | 1.05 | 0.99 | 1.04 | 0.77 | , | 1.30 | 1.31 | 1.70 | 1.33 | 1.77 | | | | | |
| | Dual/Solo | 0.42 | 0.47 | 0.20 | 2.45 | | 0.33 | 0.77 | 0.25 | -5.33 | | _ | | | | |
| | 10 | 9.09 | 21.09 | 1.92 | 118 | 10 | 4.25E+3 | 10.00 | 424.54 | 0 | 814.08 | 35.51 | 3.92 | 4.53 | 17.75 | 0.00 |
| QE | Ag/Au | 1.63 | 0.70 | 1.14 | 0.98 | 8 | 31.56 | 0.33 | 10.52 | 0.00 | 12.02 | | | | | |
| | Dual/Solo | 0.07 | 0.33 | 0.02 | 19.67 | - | 29.84 | 0.15 | 4.60 | 0.00 | | - | | | | |

SiV center simultaneous enhancement via Au



Purcell / QE criterion excitation / emission ~1-1/1-100 excitation-emission enhancement single peaks at 532 nm< λ <738 nm / 738 nm

Dual: both QE improves at excitation with QE_{crit} better in emission enhancement, smaller detuning

| | | exc | itation | | | | | emi | ssion | | | | | | | | |
|---------|-------------|-------|---------|------|--------|-----------|--------|-------|-----------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|------|-------|------|
| | criterion P |) | Q(%) | QxP | Δλ(nm) | criterion | Ρ | Q(%) | Qcorr (%) | QxP | Δλ(nm) | QxP^2 | 2r(nm) | t(nm) | r/t | d(nm) | φ(°) |
| Durcell | 10 | 10.00 | 16.93 | 1.69 | 102 | 10 | 10.01 | 10.27 | 5.41 | 1.03 | -104 | 1.74 | 56.80 | 11.96 | 2.38 | 28.40 | 0.00 |
| Purceil | Dual/Solo | 0.33 | 1.00 | 0.33 | 2.22 | • | 0.19 | 0.21 | 0.13 | 0.04 | -5.20 | | | | | | |
| 05 | 40 | 2.38 | 40.87 | 0.97 | 204 | 30 | 175.09 | 30.01 | 28.54 | 52.55 | -2 | 51.11 | 83.26 | 10.28 | 4.05 | 41.63 | 0.00 |
| QE | Dual/Solo | 0.03 | 4.09 | 0.13 | 7.85 | | 3.00 | 0.82 | 0.90 | 2.45 | 0.09 | | | | | | |

Integrated parameter cube





SiV center simultaneous enhancement via Ag





| | | exci | tation | | | | | e | mission | | | | | | | | |
|---------|-----------|------|--------|------|--------|-----------|---------|-------|-----------|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|------|-------|------|
| | criterion | Ρ | Q(%) | QxP | Δλ(nm) | criterion | Р | Q(%) | Qcorr (%) | QxP | Δλ(nm) | QxP^2 | 2r(nm) | t(nm) | r/t | d(nm) | φ(°) |
| | 1 | 1.64 | 89.31 | 1.46 | 206 | 1 | 172.41 | 75.22 | 69.51 | 129.68 | 0 | 189.94 | 99.31 | 1 8.98 | 5.53 | 49.66 | 0.00 |
| Purcell | Ag/Au | 0.16 | 5.27 | 0.86 | 2.02 | | 17.22 | 7.32 | 12.85 | 126.10 | 0.00 | 109.03 | | | | | |
| | Dual/Solo | 0.07 | 1.03 | 0.07 | 9.36 | | 4.14 | 0.83 | 0.94 | 3.45 | 0.00 | | - | | | | |
| | 10 | 2.44 | 36.85 | 0.90 | 206 | 10 | 5.78E+3 | 18.98 | 18.95 | 1.10E+3 | 0 | 985.59 | 43.99 | 3.56 | 6.18 | 21.99 | 0.00 |
| QE | Ag/Au | 1.02 | 0.90 | 0.92 | 1.01 | | 33.02 | 0.63 | 0.66 | 20.89 | 0.00 | 19.28 | • | | | | |
| | Dual/Solo | 0.02 | 0.58 | 0.01 | 34.33 |] [| 24.59 | 0.30 | 0.32 | 7.49 | 0.00 | | - | | | | |

Centralized dipole: dual wavelength tendency



Larger number of artificial constraints =>

Discrepancies with respect to the expectations based on wavelength and material dependent limits Radiative rate in accordance / contradiction with material limits in case of QE_{crit} / P_{crit}

NV and SiV color center excitation/emission enhancement, Ag

Single wavelengths, Purcell factor maximization with QE criterion; de-centralized dipole



| | | | F | Q(10) | | QAF | | 21(1111) | | 1/1 | u(1111) | V() 4 | () |
|--|-------------|-----------------|--------|-------|-------|--------|-------|----------|-------|------|---------|-------|--------|
| | F 22 | 20 | 124.51 | 58.24 | | 72.52 | 8 | 61.84 | 13.17 | 2.35 | 9.97 | 34.42 | 173.72 |
| | 532 | shifted/central | 0.91 | 0.92 | | 0.84 | 1.33 | 0.97 | 0.94 | 1.03 | 0.31 | | |
| | 650 | 50 | 158.88 | 50.77 | | 80.66 | -6 | 72.27 | 8.99 | 4.02 | 25.98 | 39.82 | 109.99 |
| | 050 | shifted/central | 1.12 | 0.78 | | 0.87 | -0.60 | 0.84 | 0.83 | 1.01 | 0.60 | | |
| | 720 | 20 | 426.05 | 52.48 | 51.39 | 223.58 | 4 | 72.32 | 6.16 | 5.87 | 32.64 | 10.16 | 143.51 |
| | /38 | shifted/central | 1.81 | 0.84 | 0.86 | 1.53 | -2.00 | 0.44 | 0.82 | 1.07 | 0.79 | | |

NV and SiV color center excitation & emission enhancement, Ag

Dual wavelengths, Purcell maximization with QE criterion; de-centralized dipole





NV

Capable of resulting in enhancement at both wavelengths, better/weaker excitation/emission via de-centralized dipole

| | | | | | | е | mission | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------|--------|------|------|--------|-----------|--------|---------|--------|--------|---------|--------|-------|------|-------|-------|----------|
| criterion (%) | Р | Q(%) | QxP | Δλ(nm) | criterion | Ρ | Q(%) | QxP | Δλ(nm) | QxP^2 | 2r(nm) | t(nm) | r/t | d(nm) | θ (°) | φ(°) |
| 0 | 283.71 | 3.51 | 9.94 | с | 40 | 203.56 | 60.61 | 123.38 | 2 | 1226.92 | 83.10 | 10.57 | 3.93 | 9.52 | 47.48 | 3 123.04 |
| shifted/central | 31.20 | 0.17 | 5.19 | 0.00 |) | 0.05 | 6.06 | 0.29 |)_ | 1.51 | | | | | | |



Capable of resulting in enhancement at both wavelengths, better/weaker excitation/emission via de-centralized dipole

| | e | citation | | | | | | em | ission | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------|-----|----------------------|--------|--------|-----------|----|---------|-------|-----------|----------|--------|---------|--------|-------|------|-------|---------|-------|
| criterion (%) P Q(%) | | Q(%) | QxP | Δλ(nm) | criterion | - | Р | Q(%) | Qcorr (%) | QxP | Δλ(nm) | QxP^2 | 2r(nm) | t(nm) | r/t | d(nm) | θ (°) | φ(°) |
| 40 | 3.1 | .6 | 4 2.04 | -8 | | 60 | 1.47 | 68.18 | 9.59 | 1.00 | -104 | 2.05 | 94.09 | 13.51 | 3.48 | 40.47 | 7 33.31 | 15.75 |
| shifted/central | 1. | <mark>81</mark> 0.0. | 2 2.28 | -0.04 | | | 2.55E-4 | 3.59 | 0.51 | 9.15E-04 | 4 – | 2.08E-3 | 3 | | - | - | | |

NV and SiV color center excitation & emission enhancement, Ag

Dual wavelength, Purcell^2 maximization, de-centralized dipole, corrected QE criterion

SiV Pince WRT non-corrected 532 nm 738 nm Excitation: better QE, smaller Purcell*QE, larger detuning Emission: better Purcell, Purcell*QE, smaller detuning 400 500 600 700 800 WRT to central wavelength (nm) Excitation: better QE, larger Purcell*QE, smaller detuning QExPurcell Emission: better QE 532 nm 738 nm 400 500 700 800 900 600 wavelength (nm) excitation emission QEcorr Qcorr (%) θ (°) criterion (%) Q(%) QxP $\Delta\lambda(nm)$ criterion (%) Q(%) QxP Δλ(nm) QxP^2 2r(nm) t(nm) r/t d(nm) *φ*(°) 1.70 12.73 190.09 70 2.38 71.42 108 1.72 64.82 10.42 1.12 -98 1.90 89.27 12.11 3.69 41.44 10 0.83 0.95 0.92 corr/non-corr 0.75 111.22 -13.50 1.09 0.94 1.17 1.11 corr/central 0.97 1.94 1.89 0.52 2.98E-04 3.41 0.55 1.02E-03-0.00

NV and SiV color center excitation & emission enhancement, Ag

Dual wavelength, QExPurcell^2 maximization, de-centralized dipole, corrected QE criterion

WRT non-corrected Excitation: better QE, smaller Purcell*QE, larger detuning Emission: better Purcell, QE, Purcell*QE, smaller detuning

WRT to central Excitation: better Purcell, larger Purcell*QE, smaller detuning Emission: better QE







| | exci | tation | | | | e | missior | 1 I | | | | | | | | | | V |
|---------------|--------|--------|------|--------|---------------|--------|---------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|------|-------|-------|-------------|---|
| | | | | | QEcorr | | | Qcorr | | | | | | | | | | (|
| criterion (%) | Р | Q(%) | QxP | Δλ(nm) | criterion (%) | Ρ | Q(%) | (%) | QxP | Δλ(nm) | QxP^2 | 2r(nm) | t(nm) | r/t | d(nm) | θ (°) | φ(°) | |
| 0 | 167.31 | 0.70 | 1.17 | 7 66 | 5 10 | 230.64 | 74.30 | 71.51 | 171.37 | 7 8 | 200.35 | 99.66 | 8.99 | 5.54 | 10.67 | 70.38 | 148.71 | |
| corr/non-corr | 52.56 | 5 1.09 | 0.57 | -8.25 | 5 | 156.59 | 1.09 | 7.46 | 170.64 | -0.08 | 97.61 | | | | | | | _ |
| corr/central | 68.65 | 0.02 | 1.30 | 0.32 | > | 0.04 | 3,91 | 3.77 | 0.16 | - - | 0.20 | | | | | | | |

Conclusions on core-shell type nano-resonators

- Single wavelength optimization
 - Purcell*QE radiative rate enhancement increases with the wavelength
 - Radiative rate enhancement is smaller than 10³
 - Optimization results in better QE and Purcell*QE enhancement in Ag-based core-shells
- Dual wavelength optimization
 - Purcell*QE enhancement is larger at the emission wavelength except configuration_Au_SiV_Purcell
 - In optimized configurations_532-650/738 the radiative rate enhancement smaller/larger than 10³
 - Material dependence of radiative rate at the excitation and emission
 - slightly and more considerably larger in configuration_Ag_Purcell&QE for NV
 - slightly smaller and significantly larger in configuration_Ag_Purcell&QE for SiV
 - Dual with respect to single wavelength optimization
 - larger QE at the excitation in Au based core-shells in case of 532-650 and 532-738
 - larger Purcell*QE at the emission, smaller detuning both in Au and Ag-based configuration_Au/Ag_QE
- De-centralized with respect to centralized
 - Larger Purcell * QE at 738 nm single wavelength, and at the excitation in both cases of NV and SiV
- De-centralized with corrected QE criterion optimized for P^2 and Purcell*QE^2
 - smaller/larger excitation rate than in case of de-centralized /centralized, optimized with QE
 - larger/smaller emission rate than in case of de-centralized /centralized, optimized with QE.

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