Dark-field microspectroscopy of single all-optical nanoswitch using gold nanosandwich with Ge₂Sb₂Te₅ phase change medium

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Abstract

LSPR switching of single gold nanorod was confirmed by dark-field microspectroscopy and scattering intensity acquisition. Recently, all-optical switching repetition of singe nanostructure¹ was proved by microspectroscopy in previous work.

In this work, effective design to enhance the influence of refractive index changing of surrounding medium was prepared by sandwiching $Ge_2Sb_2Te_5$ thin layer between Au nanorod and Au thin layer. (Fig.1)

FDTD simulation (Fig.2) revealed the existence of effective switching modes with large E-field penetration through active medium.

The scattering intensity at 980nm was acquired (Fig.3) and repeatability of switching was confirmed.

Microspectroscopy was performed and assigned to FDTD simulation.

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Figures

