

Whispering Gallery Mode Resonator

Introduction

Waves can be confined around the circumference of a structure and exhibit resonant behavior. This principle is valid for different phenomena and length scales showing that underlying concepts can be applied in very different fields - from the 34 m wide Whispering Gallery in the dome of St Paul's Cathedral, where acoustic waves can travel over large distances, to micrometer sized glass spheres, where light can be confined with extremely low losses due to total reflection. These types of systems are called whispering gallery mode (WGM) resonators.



Figure 1: High order polar mode with radial mode number of l = 2 of a whispering gallery mode (WGM) resonator. The electric field is confined by total internal reflection at the circumference of a glass sphere.

In this model, we calculate the resonance frequency and spatial mode shape of a glass sphere at optical frequencies, also called a microsphere resonator. The approach described here can also be applied to other types of WGM resonators, like toroid, disk or bottle-type microresonators. These types of devices typically exhibit extremely high optical quality factors (Q-factors), a small mode volume, and strong light-material interactions making them useful tools for nonlinear optics, optomechanics, and sensing applications. Because only approximations for the resonance frequency exist, numerical simulations are essential to get insight into the device behavior and performance. To validate the microsphere resonator model and to use as an initial frequency guess for the numerical simulation, the approximate resonance frequencies are computed based on a series expansion, discussed in Ref. 1, up to a maximum order of $k_{\text{max}} = 3$.

The highest possible Q-factor is often desirable as it typically increases the interaction strength of interest. The Q-factor of each mode is limited by several loss channels: material, radiative, and scattering (surface roughness and contamination) (compare with Ref. 2). In this model, no surface roughness or contamination is accounted for, so only material losses $Q_{\rm mat}$ and radiative losses $Q_{\rm rad}$ are contributing. The material losses can be computed from the attenuation coefficient of the material

$$\alpha = \frac{4\pi\kappa}{\lambda},\tag{1}$$

where κ is the imaginary part of the complex refractive index $N = n - j\kappa$. The Q-factor Q_{mat} can be calculated as

$$Q_{\text{mat}} = \frac{2\pi n}{\alpha \lambda}, \qquad (2)$$

with its corresponding damping

$$\delta_{\text{mat}} = \frac{\omega}{2Q_{\text{mat}}}.$$
(3)

These parameters give some first insight into the Q-factor limits imposed by finite material losses and will be used in the model definition to find the modes of interest.

Model Definition

To efficiently model such a WGM resonator, a 2D axisymmetric approach is used. The 2D axisymmetric version of the Electromagnetic Waves, Frequency Domain supports a nonzero azimuthal mode number n_m such that the electric E field can be written as

$$\mathbf{E}(r,\phi,z) = \mathbf{E}(r,z)\exp(-in_m\phi) \tag{4}$$

Please note that \mathbf{E} is still a three-component vector. The geometry is limited to the area where the modes are located, which helps to reduce the amount of degrees of freedoms in the model. The geometry is surrounded by a Perfectly Matched Layer (PML) to dampen any escaping radiation.

When it comes to meshing, it is advised to manually adjust the mesh for 2D axisymmetric eigenfrequency analysis. The default physics-controlled mesh would mesh the geometry to

resolve the wavelength properly. Here, however, the meshing requirement is only that the transverse mode shapes must be properly resolved.

An Eigenfrequency study step is used to compute the field distribution and the respective complex eigenfrequency $\lambda = -j\omega + \delta$, from which the mode frequency and mode damping δ can be computed. For a resonant structure, you are typically interested in the bound modes in the resonator. It is quite common that unwanted modes, so called spurious modes, exist in the geometry, especially for larger geometries and higher frequencies. This model illustrates two ways, shown in Study 1 and Study 2, how to handle these situations efficiently.

Study 1 uses a spatial filtering method. As it is known that a WGM will be located inside the resonator, we can compare the electric field norm inside and outside of the resonator and filter the modes based on a threshold criterion. This is done using two integration operators defining a variable ModeLoc, which is used in the **Combine Solutions** study step to remove spurious modes.

Study 2 uses a region in the complex plane to find only the desired eigenmodes. Each mode represents a point in the complex plane. As the losses are dominated by the material absorption in this configuration and we have an estimation of the resonance frequency range, we can use the region search method of the **Eigenfrequency** study step to find the modes of interest, defined by the real and imaginary part of the eigenvalue λ . The modes of interest will have a small but finite damping, much lower that the spurious modes, which are located outside of the resonator — partly in the absorbing PML.

Study 3 computes the modes for different configurations - three resonator radii, three radial mode number l and the two polarizations (TE and TM). The azimuthal mode number n_m is adjusted to keep the resonance wavelength around 1 µm.

Results and Discussion

Figure 2 shows the Q-factor of all modes in the model in addition to the mode localization. For a mode localization of 1, the field norm is completely located within the resonator domain. The modes with a low Q-factor and a low mode localization number are strongly damped and located outside the resonator and are, thus, not modes of



interest. This information can be used to filter the modes, which is done in the second study step of **Study I**.

Figure 2: Q-factor and mode localization of computed modes.

Figure 3 shows the damping of all modes computed in study 1 (before filtering) and the modes found by the region search in study 2. The region search is setup such that only modes with a damping lower than the threshold are searched for. The frequency and

damping of the modes of interest is identical although different methods are used to find them.



Figure 3: Blue points correspond to the damping of all modes found in study 1 and include spurious modes. The back line is the upper limit for the damping (imaginary part of the eigenvalue) in the region search. Therefore, only modes with a lower damping are found in study 2 (green circles).

Figure 4 shows that for large radii, the Q-factor is limited by the material loss (dashed line). For a small radius of $r = 10 \,\mu\text{m}$, radiative losses become the dominant loss factor, leading to a further reduction of the Q-factor.



Figure 4: Q-factor for different modes and radii. The dashed line corresponds to the Q-factor limit by the material absorption.

Figure 5 shows a 3D representation of the resonator mode using the Revolution 2D dataset.



r_res=10, n_m=80, p=1, l=3 Eigenfrequency=327.08 THz Multislice: Electric field norm (V/m) Arrow Volume: Isosurface: ewfd.Ephi*exp(-i*n_m*rev3phi)

Figure 5: Reconstructed mode from the 2D axisymmetric solution. The electric field direction is represented by red arrows, the surface plots show the electric field norm while the contour plot illustrates the E_{ϕ} .

References

1. S. Schiller, "Asymptotic expansion of morphological resonance frequencies in Mie scattering," *Appl. Opt.*, vol. 32, pp. 2181–2185, 1993.

2. M. Gorodetsky, A. Savchenkov, and V. Ilchenko, "Ultimate Q of optical microsphere resonators," *Opt. Lett.*, vol. 21, pp. 453–455, 1996.

Application Library path: Wave_Optics_Module/Verification_Examples/ whispering_gallery_mode_resonator

Modeling Instructions

From the File menu, choose New.

NEW

In the New window, click 🔗 Model Wizard.

MODEL WIZARD

- I In the Model Wizard window, click 🚈 2D Axisymmetric.
- 2 In the Select Physics tree, select Optics>Wave Optics>Electromagnetic Waves, Frequency Domain (ewfd).
- 3 Click Add.
- 4 Click 🔿 Study.
- 5 In the Select Study tree, select General Studies>Eigenfrequency.
- 6 Click **M** Done.

GLOBAL DEFINITIONS

Resonator Parameters

- I In the Model Builder window, under Global Definitions click Parameters I.
- **2** In the **Settings** window for **Parameters**, type **Resonator Parameters** in the **Label** text field.
- **3** Locate the **Parameters** section. Click *b* Load from File.
- 4 Browse to the model's Application Libraries folder and double-click the file whispering_gallery_mode_resonator_resonator_parameters.txt.

Analytic Higher Order Approximation - Schiller

- I In the Home toolbar, click Pi Parameters and choose Add>Parameters.
- 2 In the Settings window for Parameters, type Analytic Higher Order Approximation
 Schiller in the Label text field.
- **3** Locate the **Parameters** section. Click *b* Load from File.
- 4 Browse to the model's Application Libraries folder and double-click the file whispering_gallery_mode_resonator_analytic_higher_order_approximatio n_parameters.txt.

Airy Function Zeroes

- I In the Home toolbar, click f(X) Functions and choose Global>Interpolation.
- 2 In the Settings window for Interpolation, type Airy Function Zeroes in the Label text field.
- 3 Locate the Definition section. In the Function name text field, type Ai.
- 4 Click 📂 Load from File.

5 Browse to the model's Application Libraries folder and double-click the file whispering_gallery_mode_resonator_airy_function_zeroes.txt.

Piecewise I (pwI)

- I In the Home toolbar, click f(x) Functions and choose Global>Piecewise.
- 2 In the Settings window for Piecewise, type dk in the Function name text field.
- 3 Locate the Definition section. Find the Intervals subsection. Click 📂 Load from File.
- 4 Browse to the model's Application Libraries folder and double-click the file whispering_gallery_mode_resonator_piecewise_function.txt.

GEOMETRY I

- I In the Model Builder window, under Component I (compl) click Geometry I.
- 2 In the Settings window for Geometry, locate the Units section.
- **3** From the **Length unit** list, choose **µm**.

Rectangle 1 (r1)

- I In the **Geometry** toolbar, click Rectangle.
- 2 In the Settings window for Rectangle, locate the Size and Shape section.
- 3 In the Width text field, type r_air-r_cut.
- 4 In the **Height** text field, type h_air.
- 5 Locate the **Position** section. In the **r** text field, type **r_cut**.
- 6 In the z text field, type -h_air/2.
- 7 Click to expand the Layers section. In the table, enter the following settings:

Layer name	Thickness (µm)
Layer 1	t_PML

- 8 Select the Layers to the right check box.
- **9** Select the Layers on top check box.



Circle I (c1)

I In the Geometry toolbar, click \bigcirc Circle.

2 In the Settings window for Circle, locate the Size and Shape section.

- 3 In the **Radius** text field, type r_res.
- 4 Locate the Rotation Angle section. In the Rotation text field, type 45.
- 5 Click 🔚 Build Selected.



Union I (unil)

I In the Geometry toolbar, click 🔲 Booleans and Partitions and choose Union.

2 Click in the **Graphics** window and then press Ctrl+A to select both objects. Alternatively, you can left-click on the circle and the rectangle to add them to the **Union** selection



Delete Entities I (dell)

I In the **Geometry** toolbar, click Delete.

- 2 In the Settings window for Delete Entities, locate the Entities or Objects to Delete section.
- **3** From the Geometric entity level list, choose Domain.



4 On the object unil, select Domain 1 only.

Partition Edges 1 (pare1)

In order to have more control over the mesh, we can partition the outer edge to later refine the mesh close to where the mode will be located.

- I In the Geometry toolbar, click Pooleans and Partitions and choose Partition Edges.
- 2 On the object dell, select Boundary 24 only.



- 3 In the Settings window for Partition Edges, locate the Positions section.
- **4** In the table, enter the following settings:

Relative arc length parameters
0.25
0.75



MATERIALS

Host Medium

- I In the Model Builder window, under Component I (compl) right-click Materials and choose Blank Material.
- 2 In the Settings window for Material, type Host Medium in the Label text field.
- 3 Locate the Material Contents section. In the table, enter the following settings:

Property	Variable	Value	Unit	Property group
Refractive index, real part	n_iso ; nii = n_iso, nij = 0	n_a	I	Refractive index
Refractive index, imaginary part	ki_iso ; kiii = ki_iso, kiij = 0	0	I	Refractive index

Sphere

I Right-click Materials and choose Blank Material.

2 In the Settings window for Material, type Sphere in the Label text field.

3 Select Domains 1–3 only.



4 Locate the **Material Contents** section. In the table, enter the following settings:

Property	Variable	Value	Unit	Property group
Refractive index, real part	n_iso ; nii = n_iso, nij = 0	n_res	I	Refractive index
Refractive index, imaginary part	ki_iso ; kiii = ki_iso, kiij = 0	k_res	I	Refractive index

ELECTROMAGNETIC WAVES, FREQUENCY DOMAIN (EWFD)

- I In the Model Builder window, under Component I (compl) click Electromagnetic Waves, Frequency Domain (ewfd).
- 2 In the Settings window for Electromagnetic Waves, Frequency Domain, locate the Out-of-Plane Wave Number section.
- **3** In the *m* text field, type n_m.

DEFINITIONS

Integration 1 (intop1)

- I In the Definitions toolbar, click Nonlocal Couplings and choose Integration.
- 2 In the Settings window for Integration, type res in the Operator name text field.

3 Select Domain 2 only.



Integration 2 (intop2)

- I In the Definitions toolbar, click *N* Nonlocal Couplings and choose Integration.
- 2 In the Settings window for Integration, type air in the Operator name text field.
- **3** Select Domain 6 only.



Variables I

- I In the Model Builder window, right-click Definitions and choose Variables.
- 2 In the Settings window for Variables, locate the Variables section.
- **3** In the table, enter the following settings:

Name	Expression	Unit	Description
ModeLoc	res(ewfd.normE)/ (res(ewfd.normE)+ air(ewfd.normE))		Mode localization

This globally available variable will be used to filter the modes based on their location.

Perfectly Matched Layer I (pml1)

- I In the Definitions toolbar, click M Perfectly Matched Layer.
- 2 Select Domains 1, 3–5, and 7–9 only.





4 From the Type list, choose Cylindrical.

MESH I

- I In the Model Builder window, under Component I (compl) click Mesh I.
- 2 In the Settings window for Mesh, locate the Sequence Type section.
- 3 From the list, choose User-controlled mesh.

Size

- I In the Model Builder window, under Component I (compl)>Mesh I click Size.
- 2 In the Settings window for Size, locate the Element Size Parameters section.
- 3 In the Maximum element size text field, type 1.25.
- 4 In the Minimum element size text field, type 0.1.

Size I

- I In the Model Builder window, click Size I.
- 2 In the Settings window for Size, locate the Element Size Parameters section.
- 3 In the Maximum element size text field, type 1.
- 4 In the Minimum element size text field, type 0.009.
- 5 In the Maximum element growth rate text field, type 1.04.

Size 2

Now, add another size node to refine the mesh at the outer boundary. This will help resolve the mode shape in the resonator and the exponential decay of the field in the air domain.

- I In the Model Builder window, right-click Mesh I and choose Size.
- 2 Drag and drop Size 2 below Size 1.
- 3 In the Settings window for Size, locate the Geometric Entity Selection section.
- **4** From the **Geometric entity level** list, choose **Boundary**.

5 Select Boundary 26 only.



- 6 Locate the Element Size section. Click the Custom button.
- 7 Locate the Element Size Parameters section. Select the Maximum element size check box.
- 8 In the associated text field, type 0.15.



9 Click 📗 Build All.

FILTERED EIGENFREQUENCY STUDY

This first study will demonstrate how to use the Combine solution feature to filter out unwanted, non-bound, modes.

- I In the Model Builder window, click Study I.
- 2 In the Settings window for Study, type Filtered Eigenfrequency Study in the Label text field.

Step 1: Eigenfrequency

- I In the Model Builder window, under Filtered Eigenfrequency Study click Step I: Eigenfrequency.
- 2 In the Settings window for Eigenfrequency, locate the Study Settings section.
- **3** Select the **Desired number of eigenfrequencies** check box.
- 4 In the associated text field, type 200.
- 5 In the Search for eigenfrequencies around text field, type f_res.

Combine Solutions

- I In the Study toolbar, click 🔗 Combine Solutions.
- **2** In the **Settings** window for **Combine Solutions**, locate the **Combine Solutions Settings** section.
- **3** From the Solution operation list, choose Remove solutions.
- 4 From the **Exclude or include** list, choose **Include**.
- 5 From the Include method list, choose Implicit.
- **6** In the **Included if** text field, type **comp1.ModeLoc>0.5**. This filters the modes in the solution based on the localization using a threshold value.
- 7 In the **Study** toolbar, click **= Compute**.

RESULTS

Electric Field - Filtered Modes

In the **Settings** window for **2D Plot Group**, type Electric Field - Filtered Modes in the **Label** text field.

Surface 1

- I In the Model Builder window, expand the Electric Field Filtered Modes node, then click Surface I.
- 2 In the Settings window for Surface, locate the Coloring and Style section.
- **3** From the **Color table** list, choose **AuroraBorealis**.

Arrow Surface 1

- I In the Model Builder window, right-click Electric Field Filtered Modes and choose Arrow Surface.
- 2 In the Settings window for Arrow Surface, click Replace Expression in the upper-right corner of the Expression section. From the menu, choose Component I (compl)> Electromagnetic Waves, Frequency Domain>Electric>ewfd.Er,ewfd.Ez Electric field.
- **3** Locate the **Arrow Positioning** section. Find the **R grid points** subsection. In the **Points** text field, type **40**.
- 4 Find the Z grid points subsection. In the Points text field, type 40.
- 5 Locate the Coloring and Style section. From the Arrow length list, choose Logarithmic.
- 6 From the Color list, choose Black.
- 7 In the Electric Field Filtered Modes toolbar, click 🗿 Plot.



This plot shows the lowest order whispering gallery mode, for the selected azimuthal mode number. The arrow plot indicates that the field is polarized in the z direction.

Mode Localization

- I In the Home toolbar, click 🚛 Add Plot Group and choose ID Plot Group.
- 2 In the Settings window for ID Plot Group, type Mode Localization in the Label text field.

- 3 Locate the Data section. From the Dataset list, choose Filtered Eigenfrequency Study/ Solution Store I (sol2).
- 4 Locate the Plot Settings section. Select the Two y-axes check box.
- 5 Locate the Axis section. Select the Secondary y-axis log scale check box.

Global I

- I In the Mode Localization toolbar, click 🔄 Global.
- 2 In the Settings window for Global, locate the y-Axis Data section.
- **3** In the table, enter the following settings:

Expression	Unit	Description
ModeLoc	1	Mode localization

- 4 Locate the x-Axis Data section. From the Parameter list, choose Expression.
- **5** In the **Expression** text field, type ewfd.freq.
- 6 From the Unit list, choose THz.
- 7 Click to expand the **Coloring and Style** section. Find the **Line style** subsection. From the **Line** list, choose **None**.
- 8 Find the Line markers subsection. From the Marker list, choose Circle.
- 9 From the Positioning list, choose In data points.

Mode Localization

In the Model Builder window, click Mode Localization.

Global 2

- I In the Mode Localization toolbar, click (Global.
- 2 In the Settings window for Global, locate the y-Axis section.
- 3 Select the Plot on secondary y-axis check box.
- 4 Locate the y-Axis Data section. In the table, enter the following settings:

Expression	Unit	Description
ewfd.Qfactor	1	Quality factor

5 Locate the x-Axis Data section. From the Parameter list, choose Expression.

- 6 In the Expression text field, type ewfd.freq.
- 7 From the Unit list, choose THz.

- 8 Locate the Coloring and Style section. Find the Line markers subsection. From the Marker list, choose Point.
- 9 From the Positioning list, choose In data points.

Mode Localization

- I In the Model Builder window, click Mode Localization.
- 2 In the Settings window for ID Plot Group, locate the Legend section.
- 3 From the Position list, choose Middle left.
- **4** In the **Mode Localization** toolbar, click **I** Plot.



This plot shows that a model localization factor of 0.5 can be efficiently used to discriminate between the whispering gallery modes, having a large Q-factor, and the unwanted modes, localized in the surrounding air and having a low Q-factor.

Electric Field - All Modes

- I In the Model Builder window, right-click Electric Field Filtered Modes and choose Duplicate.
- 2 In the Settings window for 2D Plot Group, type Electric Field All Modes in the Label text field.
- 3 Locate the Data section. From the Dataset list, choose Filtered Eigenfrequency Study/ Solution Store I (sol2).

4 In the Electric Field - All Modes toolbar, click 🗿 Plot.



This plot visualizes all modes, including the unwanted modes localized in the surrounding air domain.

ADD STUDY

The second study will demonstrate how to use the Region method in the Eigenfrequency solver to filter out unwanted, non-bound, modes.

- I In the Home toolbar, click $\stackrel{\text{tool}}{\longrightarrow}$ Add Study to open the Add Study window.
- 2 Go to the Add Study window.
- 3 Find the Studies subsection. In the Select Study tree, select General Studies> Eigenfrequency.
- 4 Click Add Study in the window toolbar.
- 5 In the Home toolbar, click $\stackrel{\sim}{\longrightarrow}$ Add Study to close the Add Study window.

EIGENFREQUENCY REGION SEARCH

- I In the Model Builder window, click Study 2.
- 2 In the Settings window for Study, type Eigenfrequency Region Search in the Label text field.

Step 1: Eigenfrequency

- I In the Model Builder window, under Eigenfrequency Region Search click Step I: Eigenfrequency.
- 2 In the Settings window for Eigenfrequency, locate the Study Settings section.
- **3** From the **Eigenfrequency search method** list, choose **Region**.
- 4 In the Approximate number of eigenfrequencies text field, type 100.
- 5 Find the Search region subsection. In the Smallest real part text field, type f_res-5[THz].
- 6 In the Largest real part text field, type f_res+20[THz].
- 7 In the Largest imaginary part text field, type (damp+500[kHz])/(2*pi).
- 8 In the **Home** toolbar, click **= Compute**.

RESULTS

Electric Field - Region Search

- I In the **Settings** window for **2D Plot Group**, type Electric Field Region Search in the **Label** text field.
- 2 Locate the Data section. From the Eigenfrequency (THz) list, choose 299.29.

Surface 1

- I In the Model Builder window, expand the Electric Field Region Search node, then click Surface I.
- 2 In the Settings window for Surface, locate the Coloring and Style section.
- 3 From the Color table list, choose AuroraBorealis.

Arrow Surface 1

Now, we can copy the Arrow Surface plot we created earlier.

In the Model Builder window, under Results>Electric Field - Filtered Modes right-click Arrow Surface I and choose Copy.

Arrow Surface 1

I In the Model Builder window, right-click Electric Field - Region Search and choose Paste Arrow Surface.

2 In the Electric Field - Region Search toolbar, click 🗿 Plot.



It is clear from these plots that the eigenfrequency region search method only returns the wanted whispering gallery modes.

Mode Localization

To show the filtered mode spectrum, we can copy the 1D plot group we previously created.

Filter Criterion

- I In the Model Builder window, right-click Mode Localization and choose Duplicate.
- 2 In the Settings window for ID Plot Group, type Filter Criterion in the Label text field.
- 3 Locate the Plot Settings section. Clear the Two y-axes check box.
- 4 Locate the Axis section. Select the y-axis log scale check box.
- 5 Locate the Legend section. From the Position list, choose Upper right.

Global I

I In the Model Builder window, expand the Filter Criterion node, then click Global I.

- In the Settings window for Global, click Replace Expression in the upper-right corner of the y-Axis Data section. From the menu, choose Component I (compl)>
 Electromagnetic Waves, Frequency Domain>ewfd.damp Damping in time Hz.
- 3 Locate the y-Axis Data section. In the table, enter the following settings:

Expression	Unit	Description
ewfd.damp	THz	Damping in time

4 Locate the Coloring and Style section. Find the Line markers subsection. From the Marker list, choose Point.

Global 2

- I In the Model Builder window, click Global 2.
- 2 In the Settings window for Global, locate the Data section.
- 3 From the Dataset list, choose Eigenfrequency Region Search/Solution 3 (sol3).

Now, replace the quality factor, ewfd.Qfactor, with a search region expression.

4 Locate the y-Axis Data section. In the table, enter the following settings:

Expression	Unit	Description
(damp+500[kHz])	THz	Search region

- 5 Locate the Coloring and Style section. From the Color list, choose Black.
- 6 Find the Line markers subsection. From the Marker list, choose None.

Global 3

- I In the Model Builder window, under Results>Filter Criterion right-click Global I and choose Duplicate.
- 2 In the Settings window for Global, locate the Data section.
- 3 From the Dataset list, choose Eigenfrequency Region Search/Solution 3 (sol3).
- 4 Locate the Coloring and Style section. Find the Line markers subsection. From the Marker list, choose Circle.



5 In the **Filter Criterion** toolbar, click **I Plot**.

This plot indicates that the damping can be used with the eigenfrequency region search method, to discriminate between the whispering gallery modes and the modes located in the surrounding air. The solid line shows the threshold value. It is clear that the whispering gallery modes from both the first study (blue circles) and second study (green circles) fall below this threshold value.

ADD STUDY

In the final, third, study, parametric sweeps will be used together with the Eigenfrequency solver to show the solutions from some resonator configurations.

- I In the Home toolbar, click 2 Add Study to open the Add Study window.
- 2 Go to the Add Study window.
- 3 Find the Studies subsection. In the Select Study tree, select General Studies> Eigenfrequency.
- 4 Click Add Study in the window toolbar.
- 5 In the Home toolbar, click Add Study to close the Add Study window.

PARAMETRIC SWEEP EIGENFREQUENCY STUDY

I In the Model Builder window, click Study 3.

2 In the Settings window for Study, type Parametric Sweep Eigenfrequency Study in the Label text field.

Step 1: Eigenfrequency

- I In the Model Builder window, under Parametric Sweep Eigenfrequency Study click Step I: Eigenfrequency.
- 2 In the Settings window for Eigenfrequency, locate the Study Settings section.
- **3** Select the **Desired number of eigenfrequencies** check box.
- 4 In the associated text field, type 1.
- 5 In the Search for eigenfrequencies around text field, type f_res.

Parametric Sweep

- I In the Study toolbar, click **Parametric Sweep**.
- 2 In the Settings window for Parametric Sweep, locate the Study Settings section.
- 3 Click + Add.
- **4** In the table, enter the following settings:

Parameter name	Parameter value list	Parameter unit
r_res (Radius of resonator)	10 20 30	um

5 Click + Add.

6 In the table, enter the following settings:

Parameter name	Parameter value list	Parameter unit
n_m (Azimuthal mode number)	80 165 250	

Parametric Sweep 2

- I In the Study toolbar, click **Parametric Sweep**.
- 2 Drag and drop below **Parametric Sweep**, to make **Parametric Sweep** 2 appear below **Parametric Sweep**.

Now, define the sweeps for Parametric Sweep 2.

- 3 In the Settings window for Parametric Sweep, locate the Study Settings section.
- 4 Click + Add.
- **5** In the table, enter the following settings:

Parameter name	Parameter value list	Parameter unit
p (I for TE, I/m^2 for TM)	1 1/m^2	

6 Click + Add.

7 In the table, enter the following settings:

Parameter name	Parameter value list	Parameter unit
l (Radial mode number)	1 2 3	

8 From the Sweep type list, choose All combinations.

9 In the **Study** toolbar, click **= Compute**.

RESULTS

Electric Field - Different Configurations

- I In the **Settings** window for **2D Plot Group**, type Electric Field Different Configurations in the **Label** text field.
- 2 Locate the Data section. From the Parameter value (r_res (um),n_m,p) list, choose
 2: r_res=10 um, n_m=80, p=0.47846.
- 3 From the Parameter value (I) list, choose 2.

Surface 1

- I In the Model Builder window, expand the Electric Field Different Configurations node, then click Surface I.
- 2 In the Settings window for Surface, locate the Coloring and Style section.
- 3 From the Color table list, choose AuroraBorealis.

Arrow Surface 1

In the Model Builder window, under Results>Electric Field - Region Search right-click Arrow Surface I and choose Copy.

Arrow Surface I

- I In the Model Builder window, right-click Electric Field Different Configurations and choose Paste Arrow Surface.
- **2** Click the \leftarrow **Zoom Extents** button in the **Graphics** toolbar.





In this plot group, you can visualize the whispering gallery modes for some resonator configurations.

3D Sector

Next, use the available revolution dataset to make a 3D visualization of the modes.

- I In the Home toolbar, click 📠 Add Plot Group and choose 3D Plot Group.
- 2 In the Settings window for 3D Plot Group, type 3D Sector in the Label text field.
- 3 Locate the Data section. From the Dataset list, choose Revolution 2D 3.
- 4 From the Parameter value (r_res (um),n_m,p) list, choose 1: r_res=10 um, n_m=80, p=1.

Multislice 1

- I In the **3D Sector** toolbar, click **More Plots** and choose **Multislice**.
- 2 In the Settings window for Multislice, locate the Multiplane Data section.
- 3 Find the X-planes subsection. In the Planes text field, type 0.
- 4 Find the Y-planes subsection. In the Planes text field, type 0.
- 5 Locate the Coloring and Style section. From the Color table list, choose AuroraBorealis.

Revolution 2D 3

- I In the Model Builder window, expand the Results>Datasets node, then click Revolution 2D 3.
- 2 In the Settings window for Revolution 2D, click to expand the Revolution Layers section.
- 3 From the Number of layers list, choose Custom.
- **4** In the **Layers** text field, type 100.
- 5 In the Start angle text field, type 105.
- 6 In the **Revolution angle** text field, type 15.

Arrow Volume 1

- I In the Model Builder window, right-click 3D Sector and choose Arrow Volume.
- 2 In the Settings window for Arrow Volume, locate the Expression section.
- 3 In the **R** component text field, type Er*exp(-i*n_m*rev3phi).
- 4 In the **PHI component** text field, type Ephi*exp(-i*n_m*rev3phi).
- 5 In the **Z** component text field, type Ez*exp(-i*n_m*rev3phi).
- 6 Locate the Arrow Positioning section. Find the X grid points subsection. In the Points text field, type 100.
- 7 Find the Y grid points subsection. In the Points text field, type 100.
- 8 Find the Z grid points subsection. In the Points text field, type 1.

Isosurface 1

- I Right-click **3D Sector** and choose Isosurface.
- 2 In the Settings window for Isosurface, locate the Expression section.
- 3 In the Expression text field, type ewfd.Ephi*exp(-i*n_m*rev3phi).
- 4 Locate the Levels section. From the Entry method list, choose Levels.
- 5 In the Levels text field, type range(-12,5,12).
- 6 Locate the Coloring and Style section. From the Color table list, choose WaveClassic.
- 7 From the Scale list, choose Linear symmetric.

Transparency I

- I Right-click Isosurface I and choose Transparency.
- 2 In the Settings window for Transparency, locate the Transparency section.
- **3** In the **Transparency** text field, type **0.45**.

4 In the **3D Sector** toolbar, click **I** Plot.



r_res=10, n_m=80, p=1, I=3 Eigenfrequency=327.08 THz Multislice: Electric field norm (V/m) Arrow Volume: Isosurface: ewfd.Ephi*exp(-i*n_m*rev3phi)

Quality Factor for Different Modes and Radii

- I In the Model Builder window, right-click Mode Localization and choose Duplicate.
- 2 In the Settings window for ID Plot Group, type Quality Factor for Different Modes and Radii in the Label text field.
- 3 Locate the Data section. From the Dataset list, choose

Parametric Sweep Eigenfrequency Study/Parametric Solutions I (sol5).

- 4 Locate the Plot Settings section. Clear the Two y-axes check box.
- 5 Locate the Axis section. Select the y-axis log scale check box.
- 6 Locate the Legend section. From the Position list, choose Lower right.

Global I

Now, replace the ModeLoc expression with Q_mat, the material losses.

- I In the Model Builder window, expand the Quality Factor for Different Modes and Radii node, then click Global I.
- 2 In the Settings window for Global, locate the y-Axis Data section.

3 In the table, enter the following settings:

Expression	Unit	Description
Q_mat	1	Material losses

- 4 Locate the x-Axis Data section. From the Axis source data list, choose All solutions.
- **5** In the **Expression** text field, type r_res.
- **6** Locate the **Coloring and Style** section. Find the **Line style** subsection. From the **Line** list, choose **Dashed**.
- 7 From the Color list, choose Black.
- 8 Find the Line markers subsection. From the Marker list, choose None.

Global 2

- I In the Model Builder window, click Global 2.
- 2 In the Settings window for Global, locate the x-Axis Data section.
- 3 From the Axis source data list, choose All solutions.
- **4** In the **Expression** text field, type r_res.
- **5** Locate the **Coloring and Style** section. Find the **Line style** subsection. From the **Line** list, choose **None**.

6 In the Quality Factor for Different Modes and Radii toolbar, click 💿 Plot.



This plot demonstrates that for large resonator radii, the losses are limited by the material loss, whereas for small radii, radiation loss dominates.

Evaluation Group 1

Finally, add two evaluation groups to extract numerical values for the results.

In the **Results** toolbar, click **Figure Evaluation Group**.

Global Evaluation 1

- I Right-click Evaluation Group I and choose Global Evaluation.
- 2 In the Settings window for Global Evaluation, locate the Expressions section.
- **3** In the table, enter the following settings:

Expression	Unit	Description
ewfd.lambda0	μ m	Wavelength
ewfd.Qfactor	1	Quality factor
Q_mat	1	Material losses
ewfd.damp	kHz	Damping in time

Expression	Unit	Description
damp	kHz	Damping from material losses
ewfd.Qfactor*c_const/ (ewfd.omega*n_res*r_res)	1	Finesse

4 In the **Evaluation Group I** toolbar, click **= Evaluate**.

Evaluation Group 2

- I In the **Results** toolbar, click **Evaluation Group**.
- 2 In the Settings window for Evaluation Group, locate the Data section.
- **3** From the Dataset list, choose Parametric Sweep Eigenfrequency Study/ Parametric Solutions I (sol5).

Global Evaluation 1

- I Right-click Evaluation Group 2 and choose Global Evaluation.
- 2 In the Settings window for Global Evaluation, locate the Expressions section.
- **3** In the table, enter the following settings:

Expression	Unit	Description
f_res	THz	Resonance frequency
ewfd.Qfactor	1	Quality factor

4 In the **Evaluation Group 2** toolbar, click **= Evaluate**.