

# Optical Gain

In this tutorial we calculate the optical gain upon optical irradiation. The irradiation parameters are the

- photon energy of the irradiation and the
- line width.

## Physics model

The transition rate per volume element can be expressed with the following sum,  $R = R_{ab} - R_{ba} = \frac{2}{V} \sum_k \sum_{k'} \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} |H_{ba}|^2 \delta(E_b - E_a - \hbar\omega) (f_a - f_b)$ .

In order to evaluate the sum much faster we calculate the  $H_{ba}$  matrix element at  $k_a = 0; k_b = 0$  (Remark:  $k_a = k_b$ ), and we neglect the  $k$  dependence of it. Then we can simplify the sum as follows,  $R(E, w) = C_0(E) \int \gamma(E_a - E, w) H(E_a - E) [n(E_a) - p(E_b)] dE_a dE_b$  where  $E$  is the irradiation energy,  $w$  is the line width and we assume that the irradiation has the  $\gamma(E, w)$  broadening function.

Here  $C_0(E)$  is an energy dependent constant,  $C_0 = \frac{\pi e^2 \hbar}{n r \epsilon_0 m_0^2 E}$ .

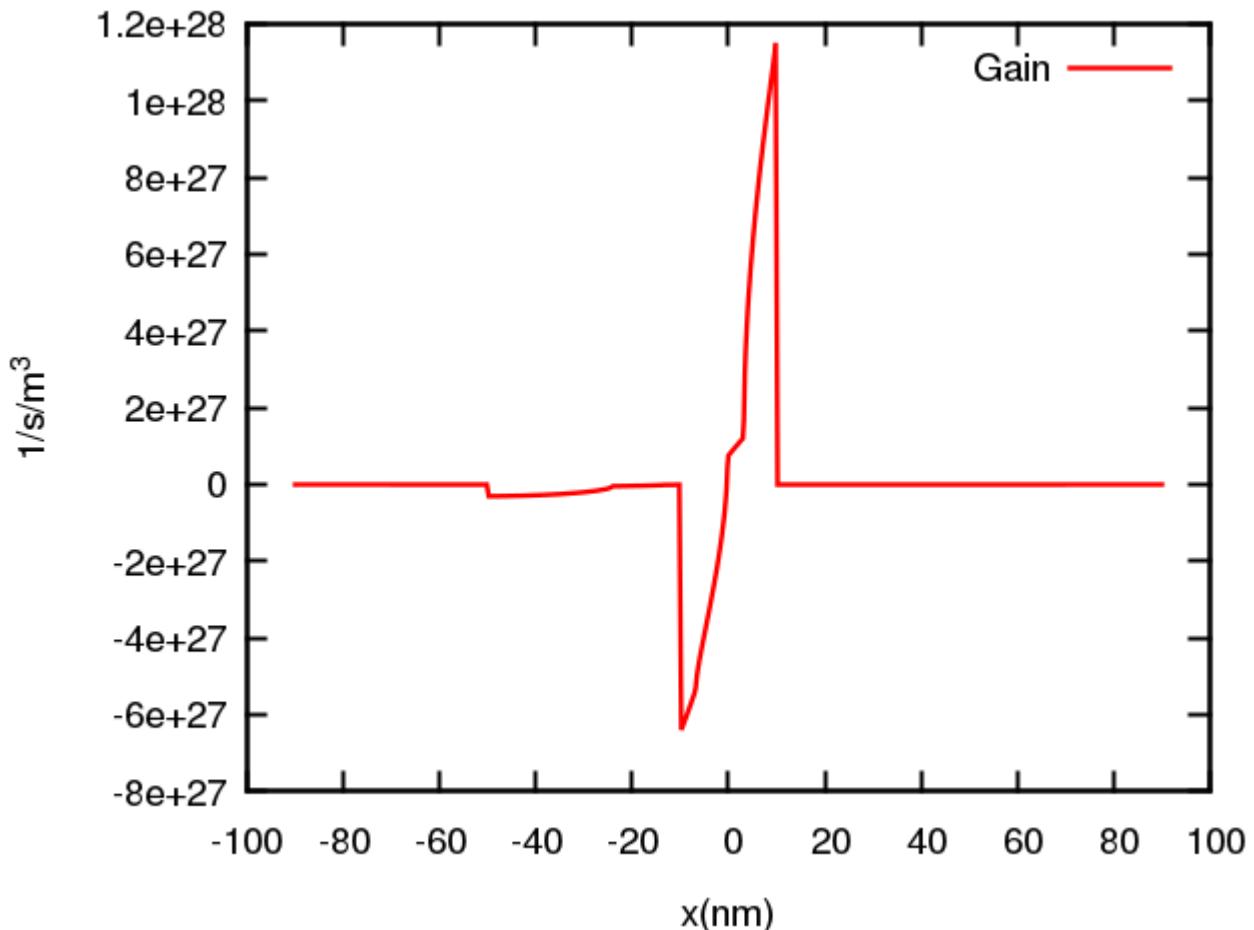
## Input file structure

A new keyword has been introduced to handle an optical device, `opticaldevice{}`

```
opticaldevice{
    name = "quantum_region_name"
    line_broadening = 1           #Line broadening model (1: Lorentzian)
    photon_energy = 1             #Photon energy in (eV)
    line_width = 1                #Line width in (eV)
}
```

An in the run paragraph you have to also add `solve_optical_device{}` in order to include it the simulation flow.

## Results



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