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The dispersion errors in numerical solutions to the Maxwell equations depend significantly on the method employed. Third-order Runge-Kutta (RK3) produces fourth-order accuracy in phase errors, whereas the classical Yee scheme generates second-order accuracy. Computational efficiency is also critical when numerically approximating electromagnetic wave propagation over long periods of time. A new time-differencing scheme will be presented. It requires only one evaluation per time-step and produces fourth-order accuracy in phase errors. (Received September 22, 2017)