

Nanophotonics:  
Keeping up with Moore's Law

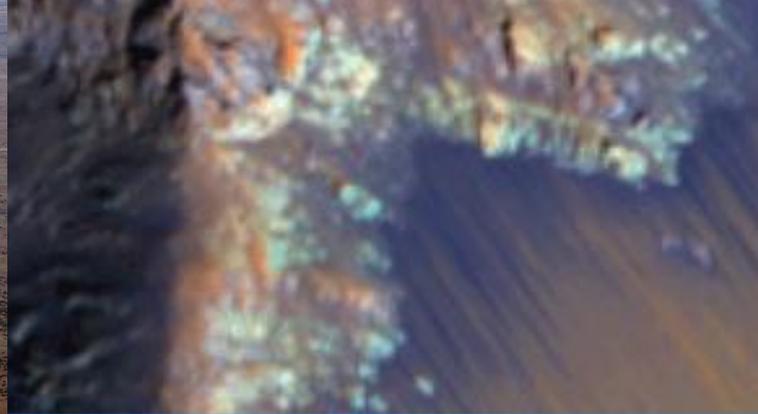


# INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF LIGHT 2015

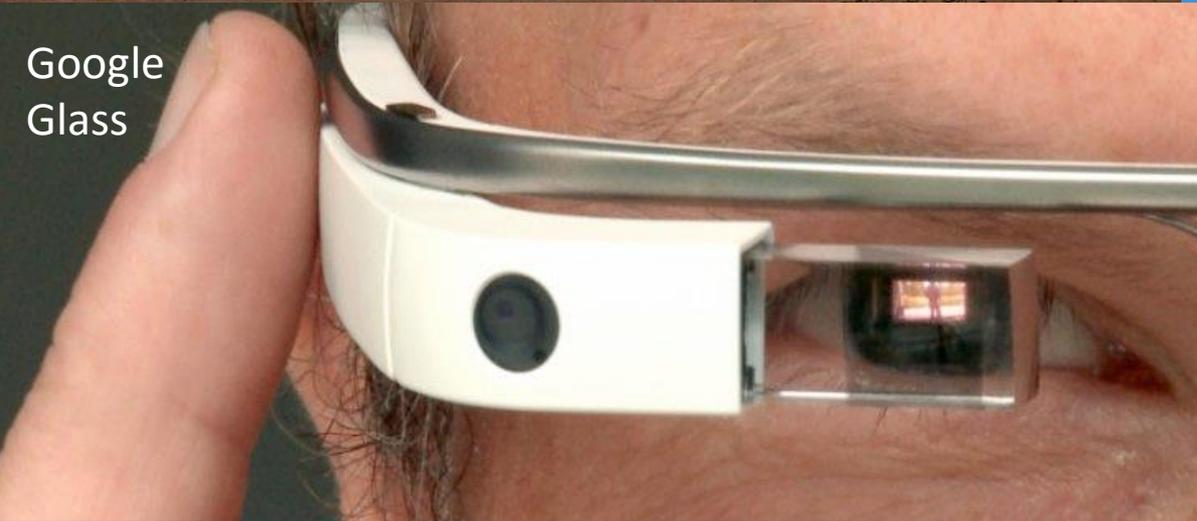
*"...a global initiative adopted by the United Nations to raise awareness of how optical technologies promote sustainable development and provide solutions to worldwide challenges in energy, education, agriculture, communications and health."*



LIGO



Mars water (source: NASA)



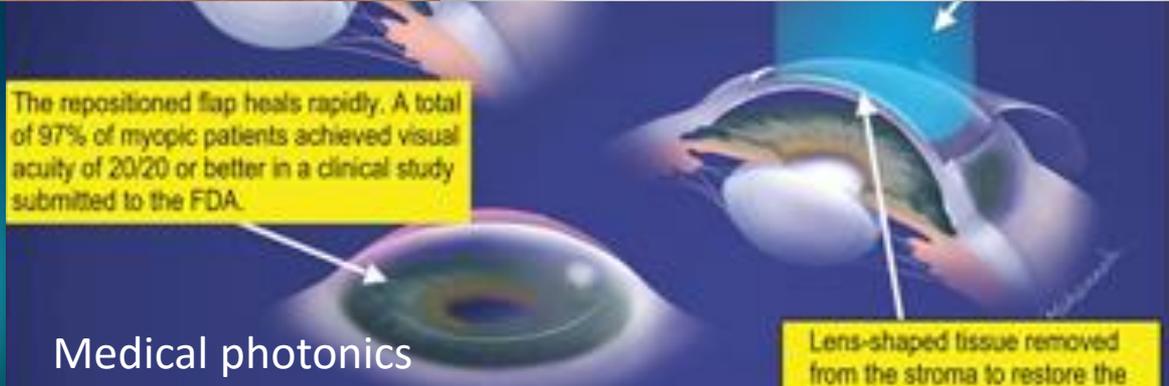
Google Glass



Samsung Edge Screen



LED lighting

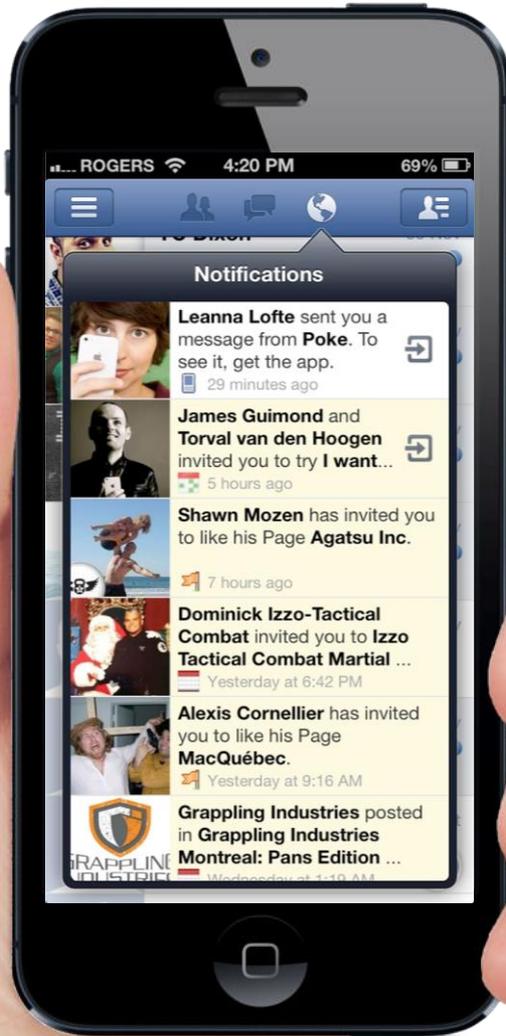


The repositioned flap heals rapidly. A total of 97% of myopic patients achieved visual acuity of 20/20 or better in a clinical study submitted to the FDA.

Medical photonics

Lens-shaped tissue removed from the stroma to restore the





... ROGERS 4:20 PM 69%



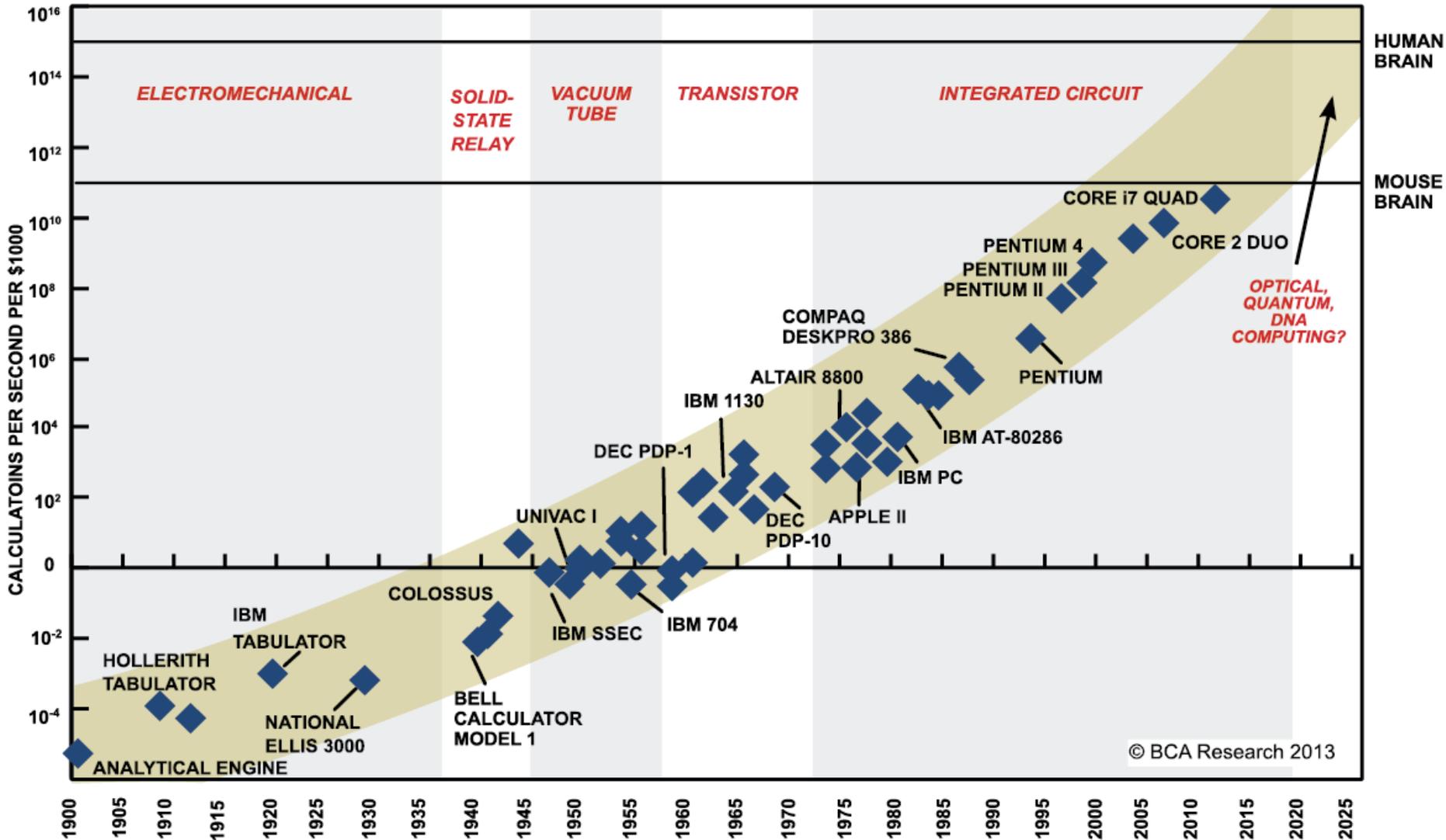
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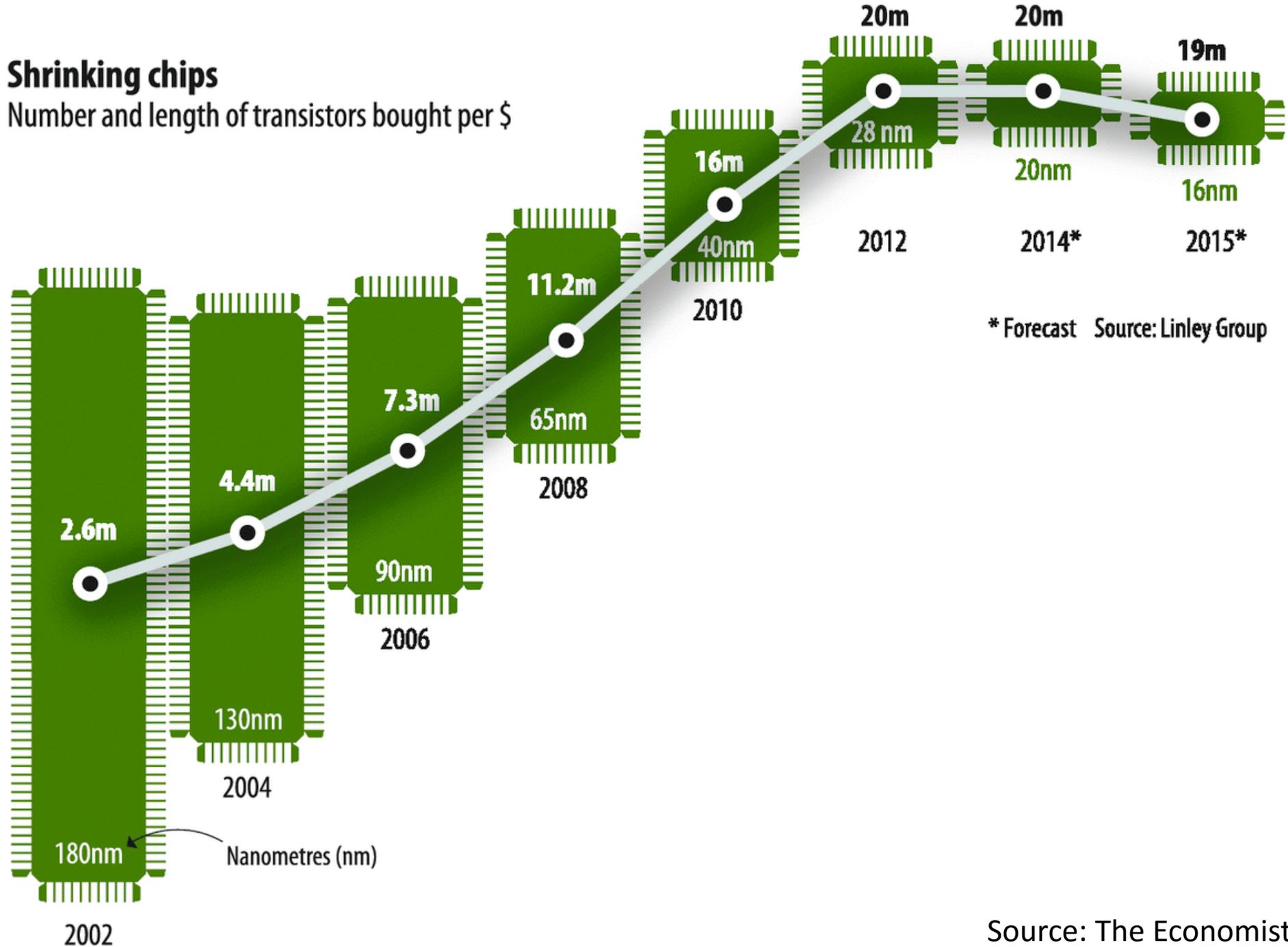
Left: Osborne Executive PC (1982), 4 MHz clock  
Right: iPhone 1 (2007), 400 MHz clock



SOURCE: RAY KURZWEIL, "THE SINGULARITY IS NEAR: WHEN HUMANS TRANSCEND BIOLOGY", P.67, THE VIKING PRESS, 2006. DATAPOINTS BETWEEN 2000 AND 2012 REPRESENT BCA ESTIMATES.

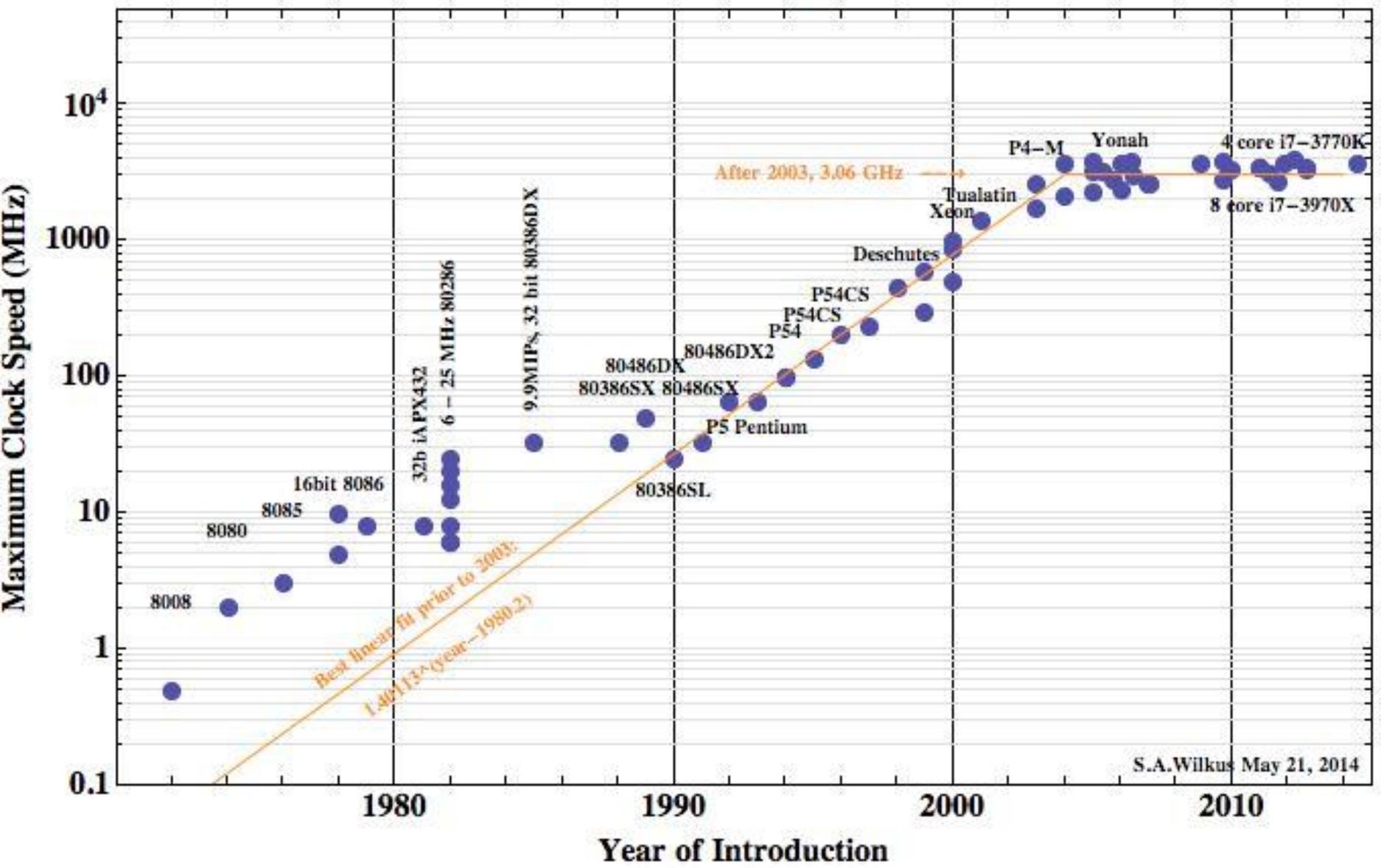
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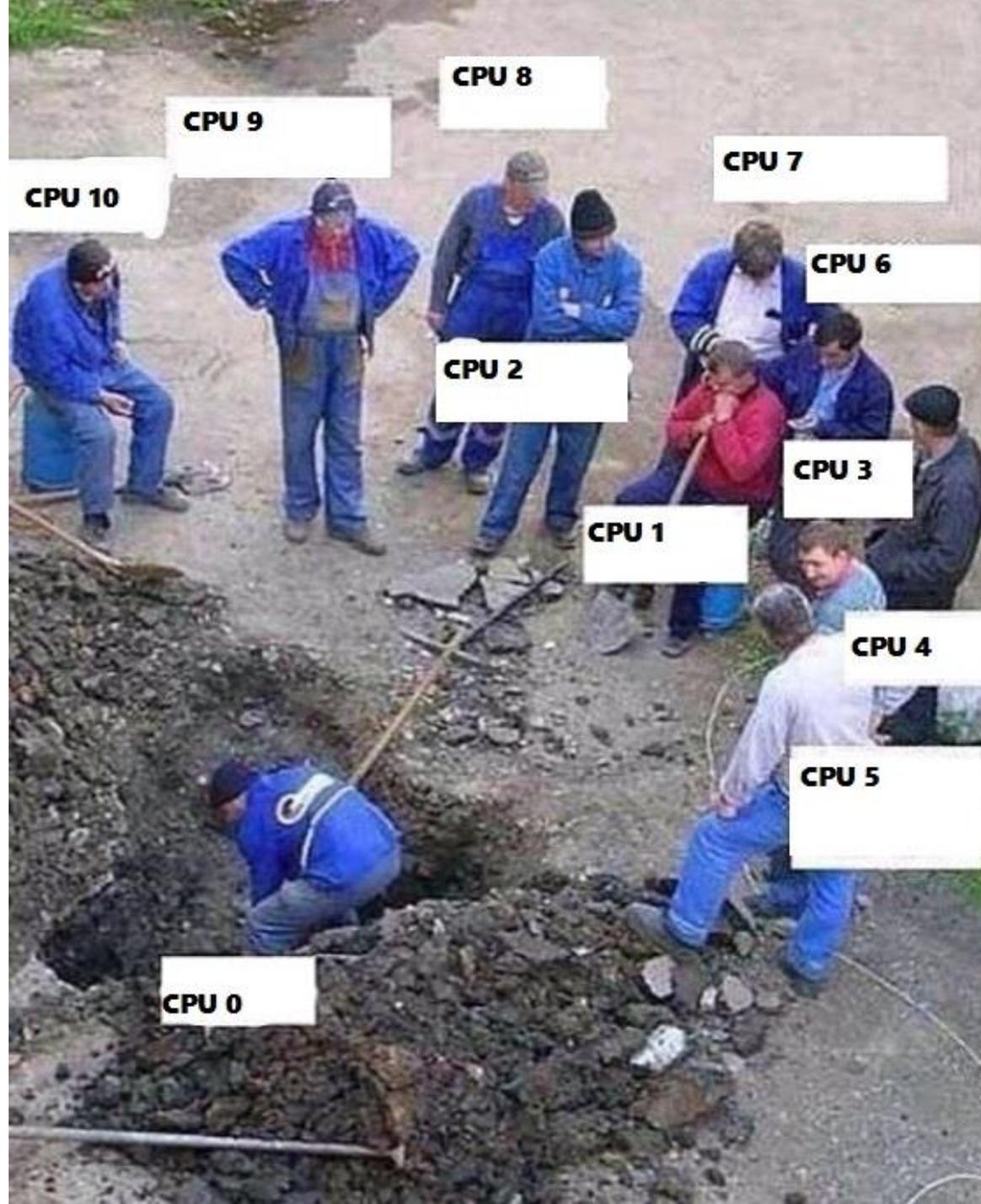
Number and length of transistors bought per \$



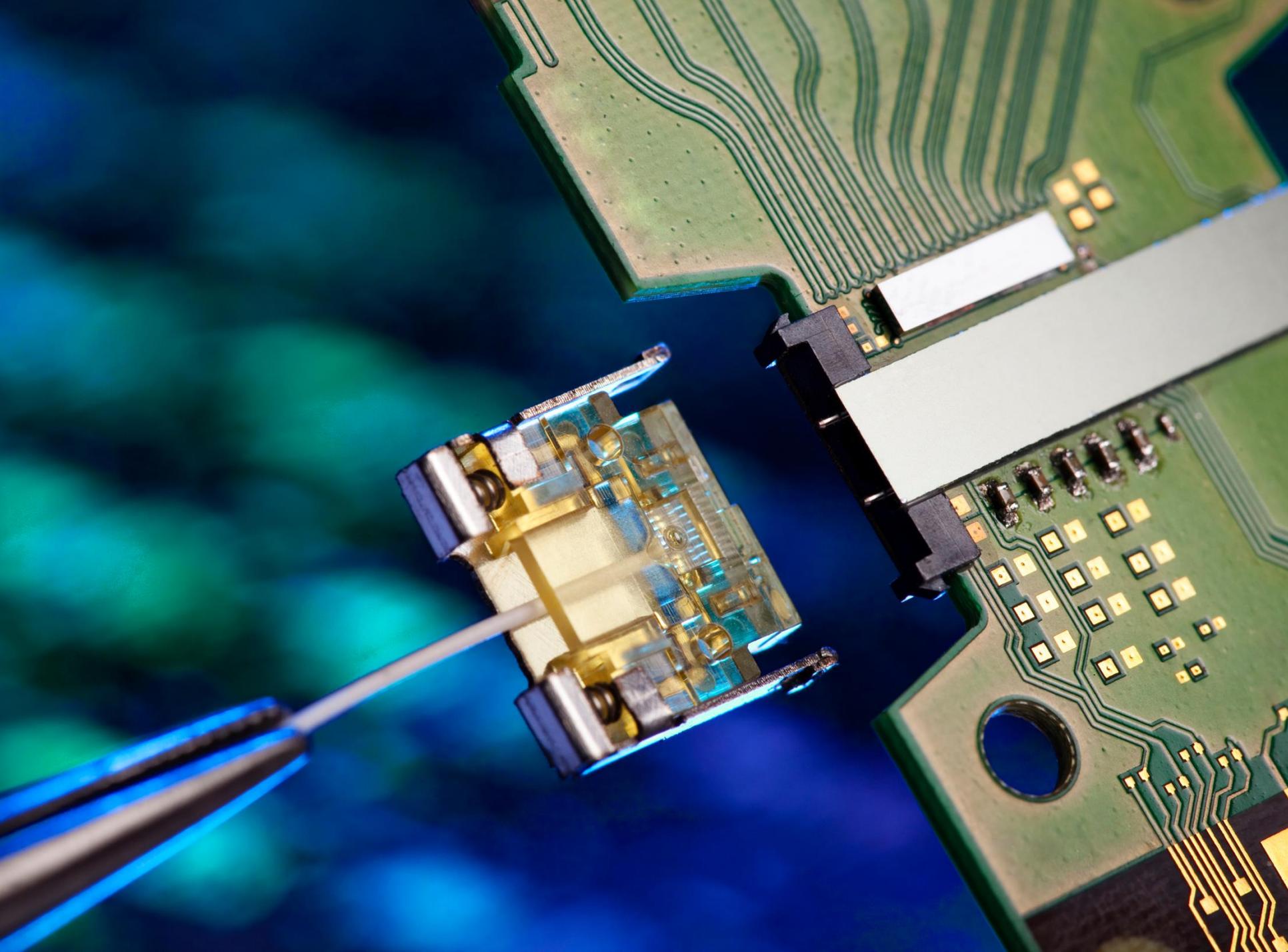
Source: The Economist

# μProcessor Clock Speed Trends

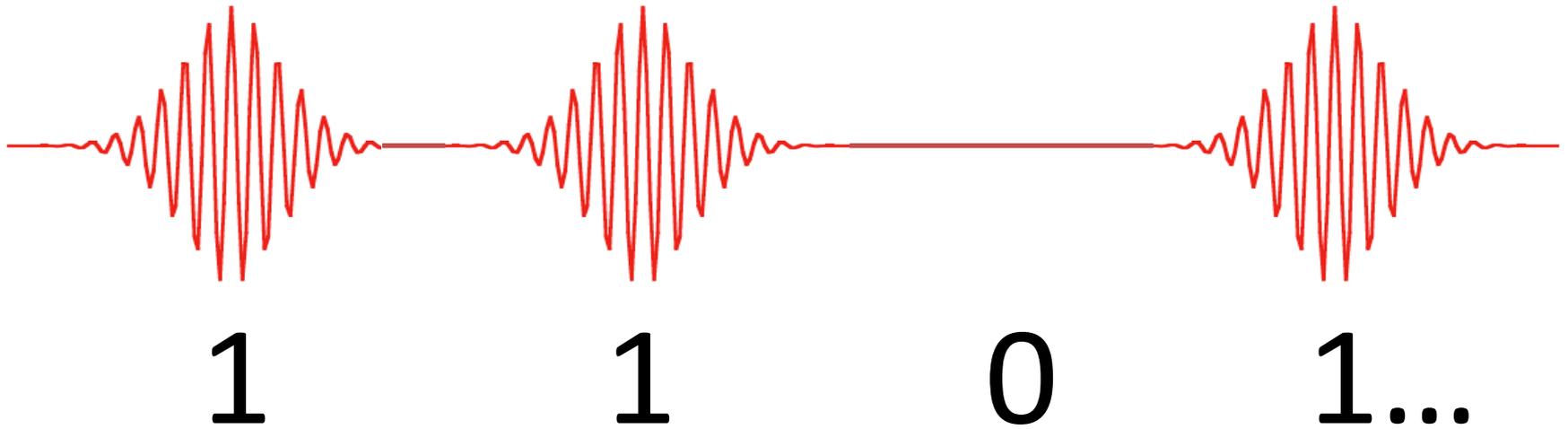




# Photonics

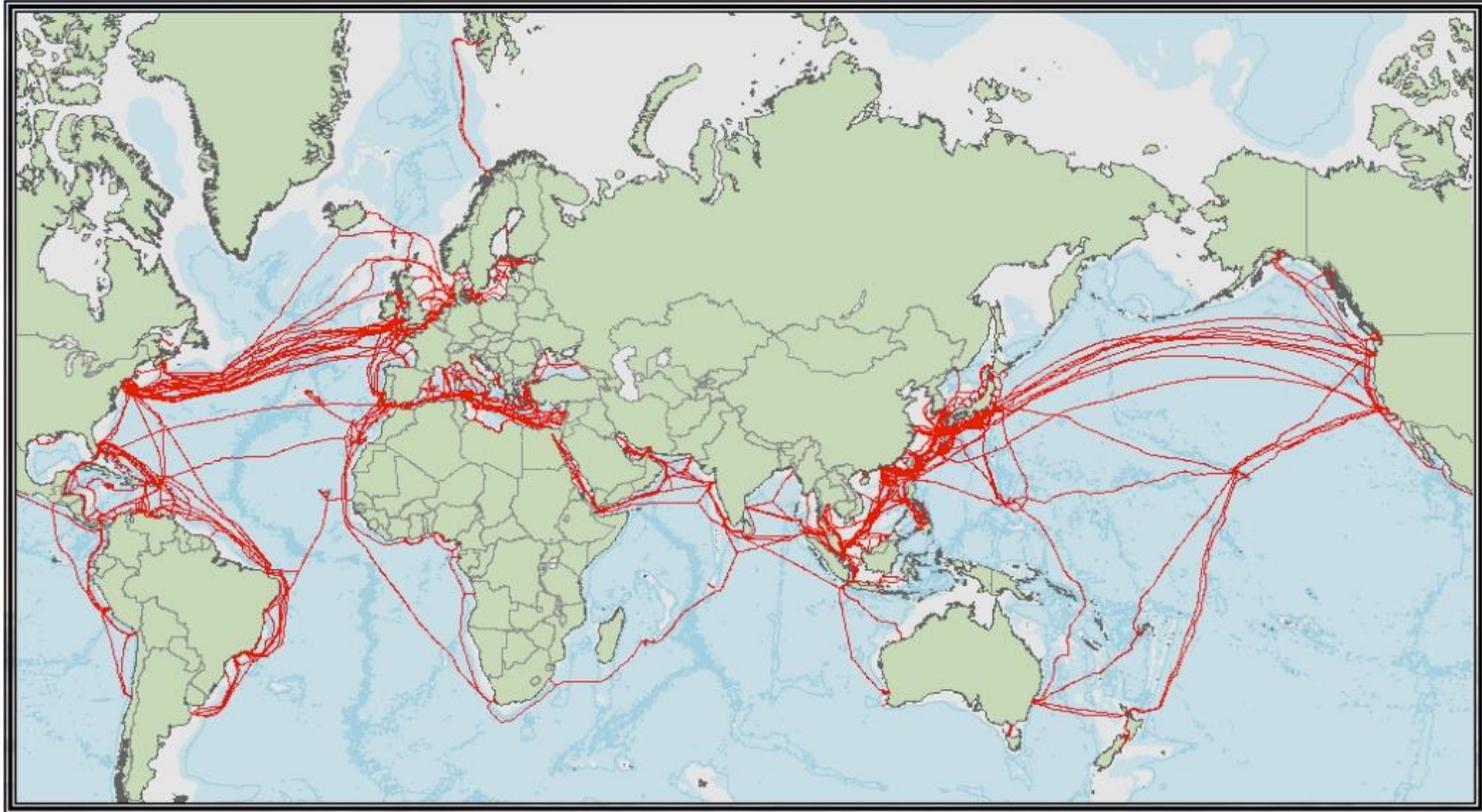


# Femtosecond laser pulses



~100 Tbps

# Photonic telecommunications



**110.9-Tbit/s SDM transmission over 6,370 km  
using a full C-band seven-core EDFA**

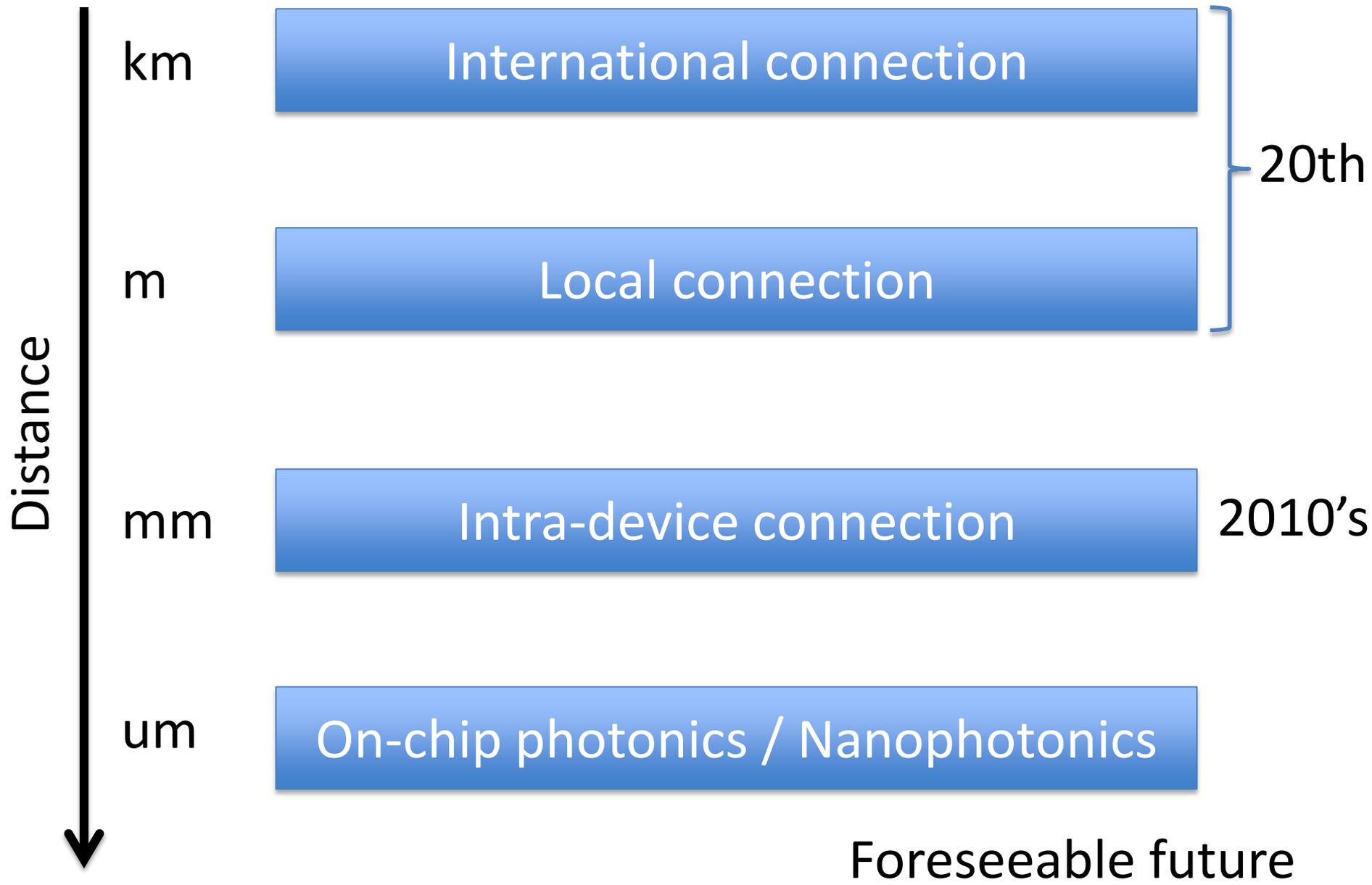
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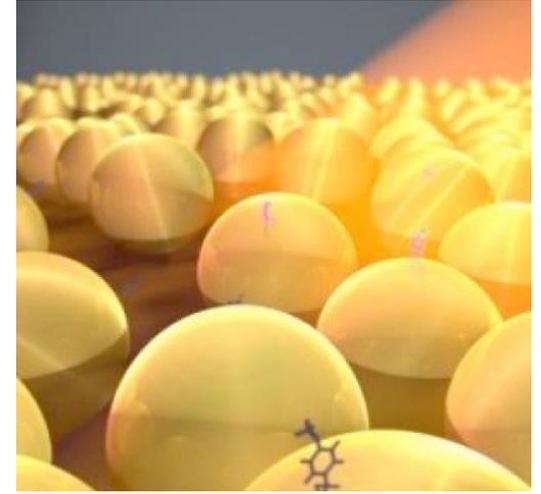
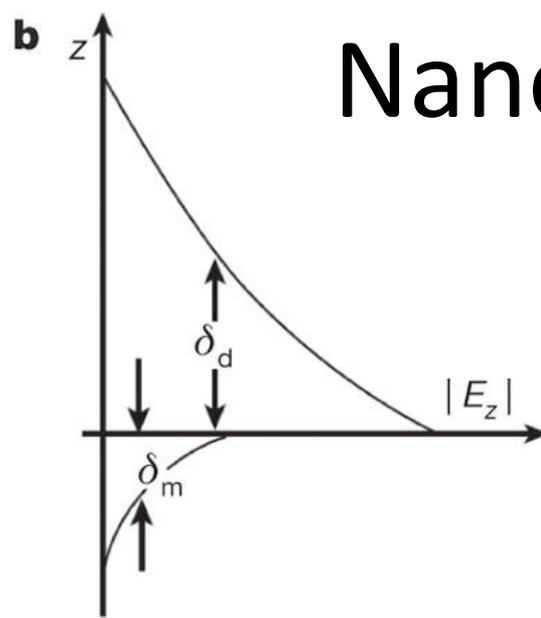
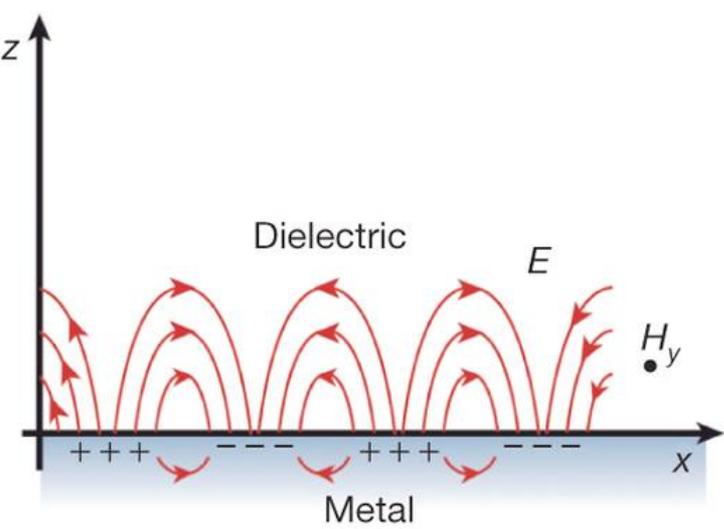


$d > 100 \text{ nm}$

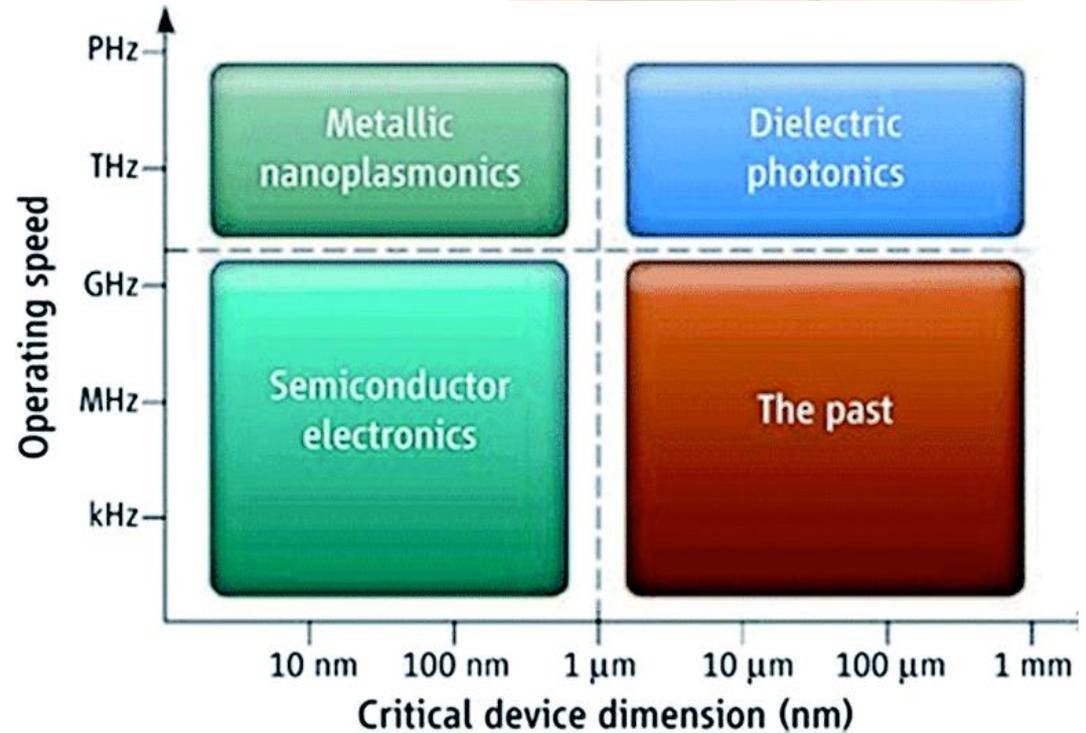
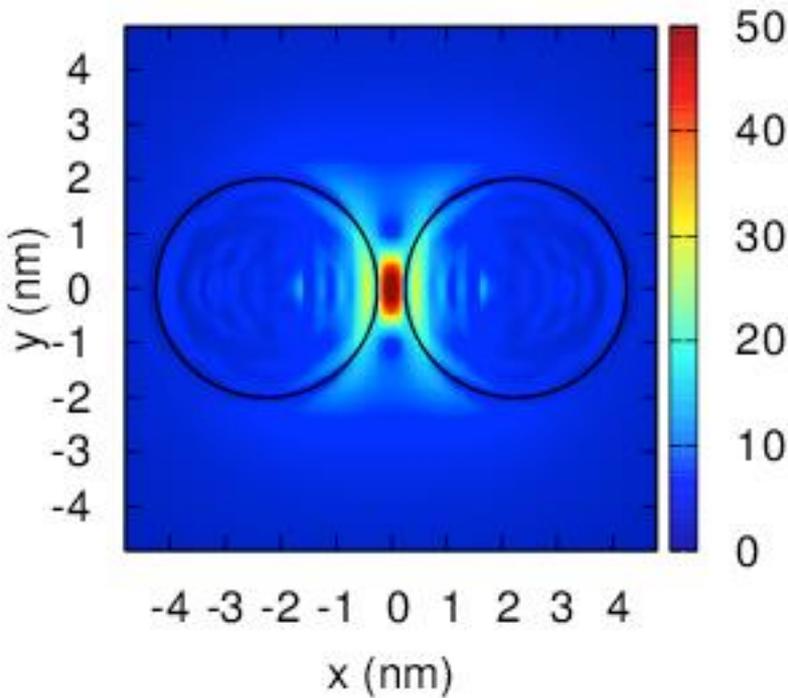
$$d = \frac{\lambda}{2 \sin \alpha}$$



# Nanoplasmonics

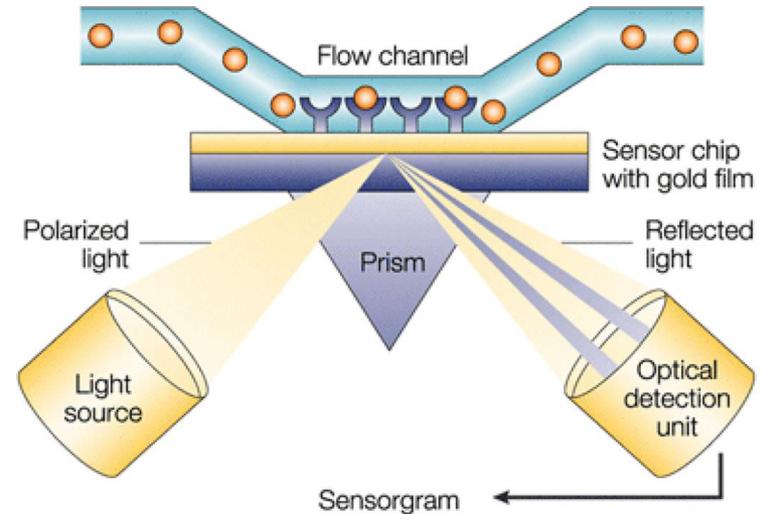


Field enhancement



# Nanoplasmonics timeline

- Romans, 4 A.D.: SPP in nanoparticle impregnated glasses
- Ritchie (1957): observation of SPP by electron beams
- Kretschmann, Raether, Otto (1968): optical excitation of SPP
- Surface plasmon sensing (review Homola et al. *Sensors Actuat. B*, 1999)
- Plasmonic crystals (Barnes, 2000)
- Nanoplasmonics proto-devices and metamaterials (21<sup>st</sup> century) (Ebbesen, Pendry, Shalaev, Bozhevolnyi, Zheludev, Gabitov, Atwater, Brongersma, Tsai, Zhang, Litchinitser ...)



# Nanoplasmonics in MSU

Plasmonic nanostructures as polarizers and wave plates:

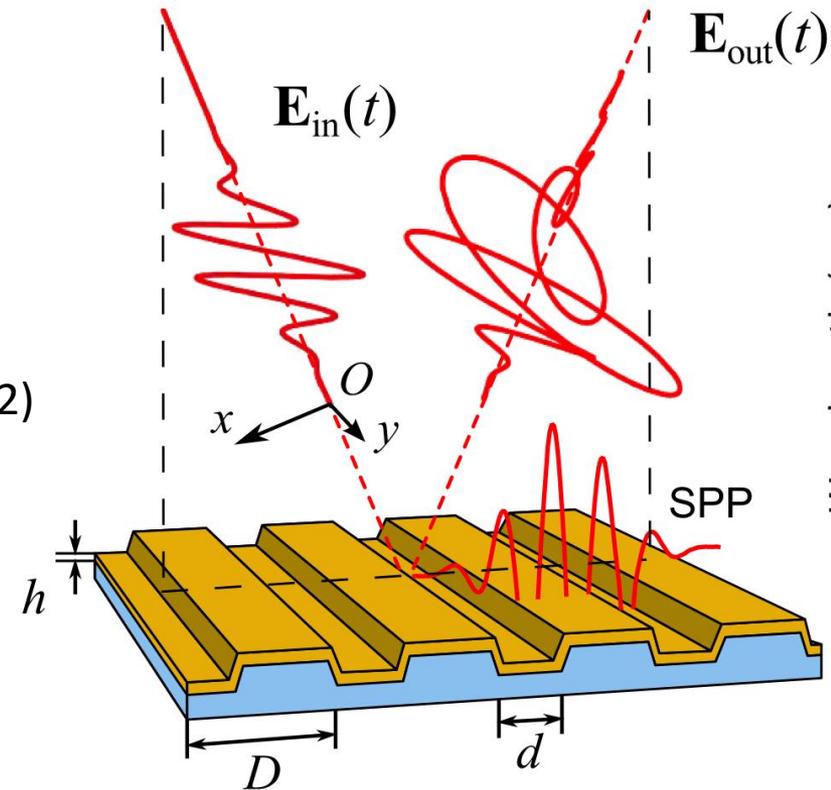
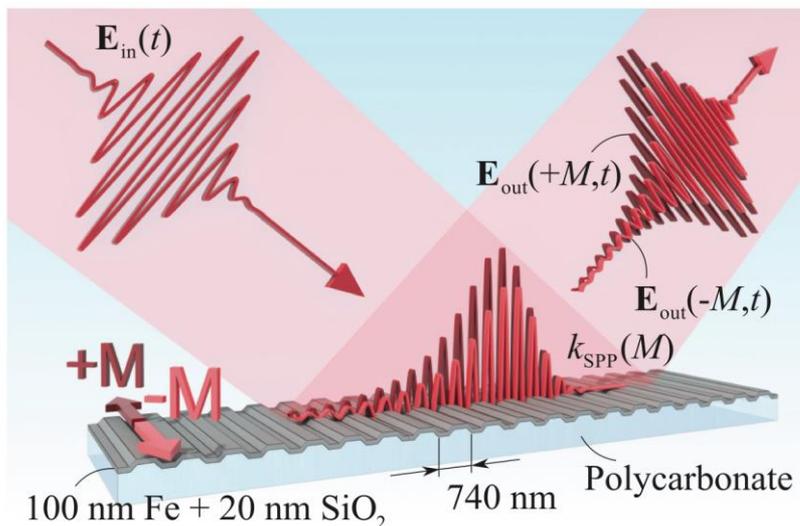
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Shcherbakov et al., *JETP Lett.* **90**, 433–437 (2009)

Femtosecond pulse shaping with plasmonic nanostructures:

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Near-field plasmonics:

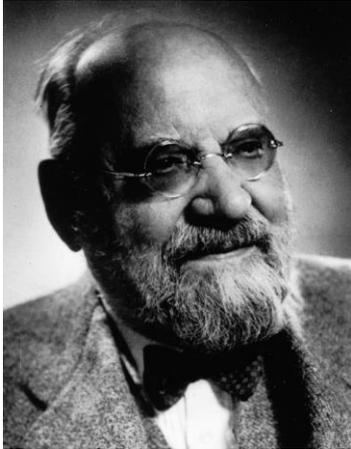
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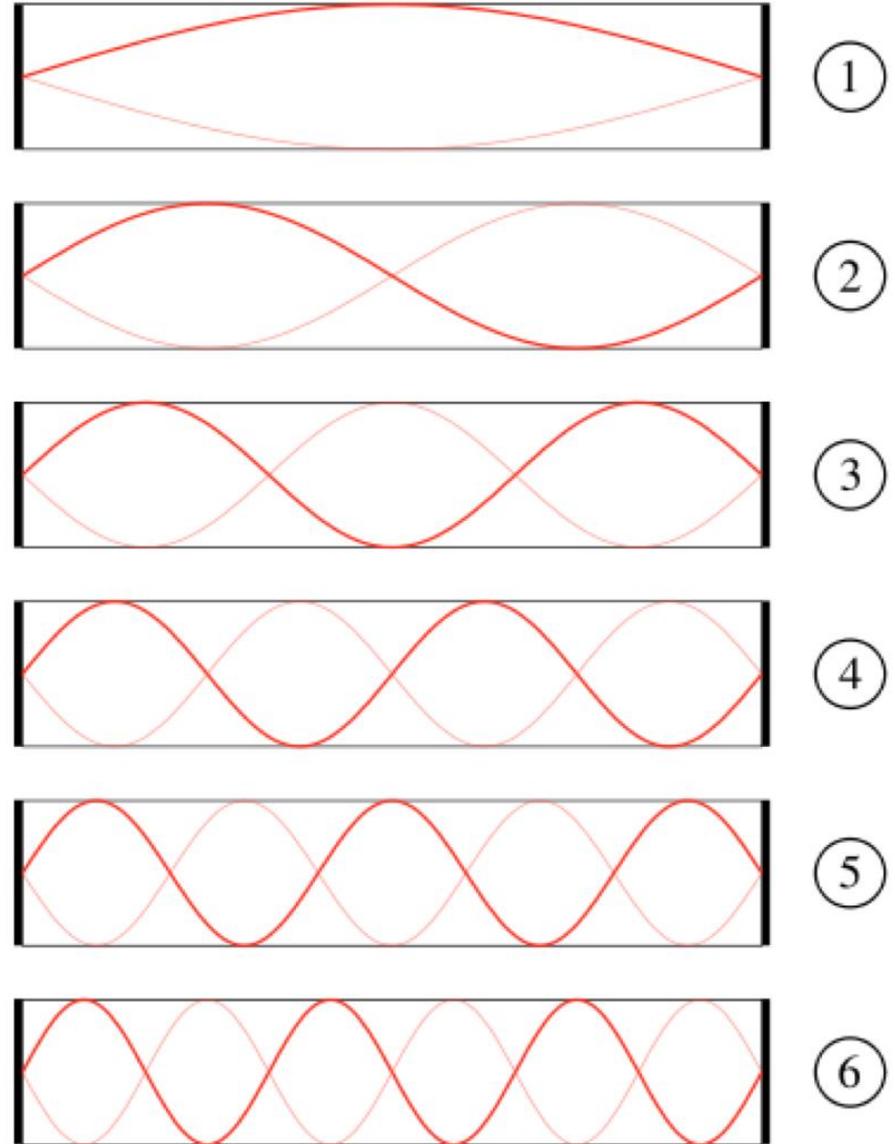
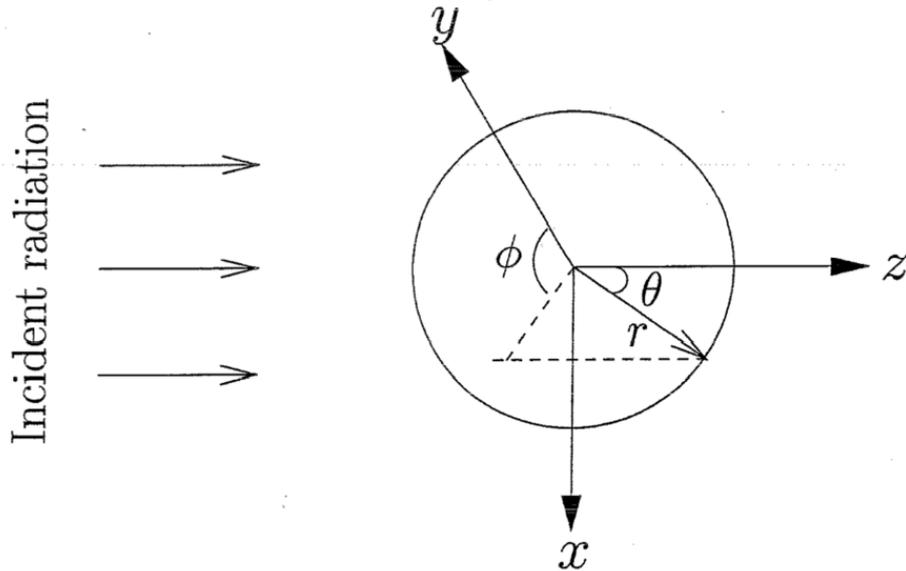
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# All-dielectric nanophotonics

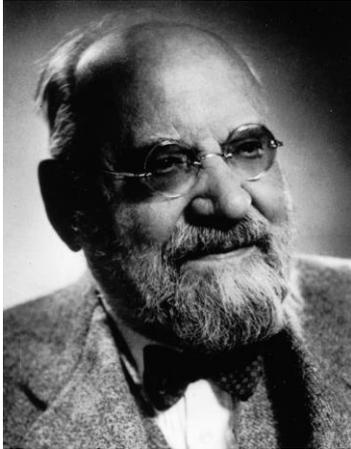
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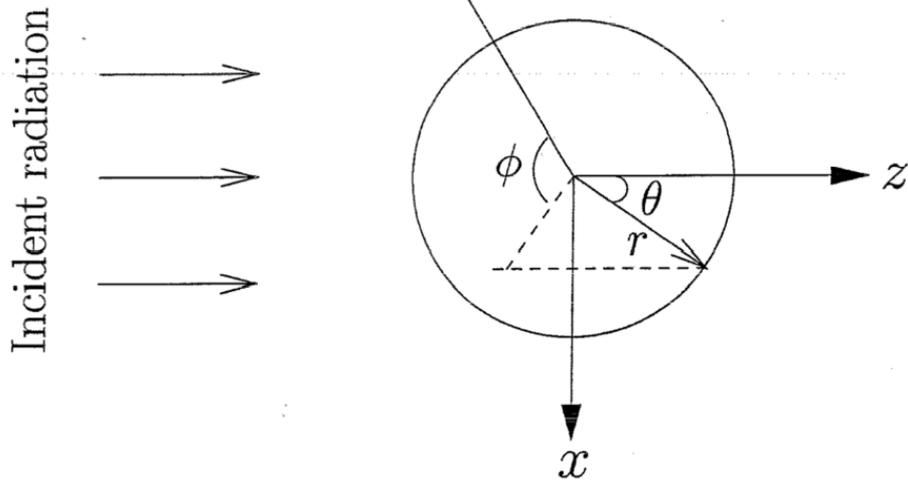
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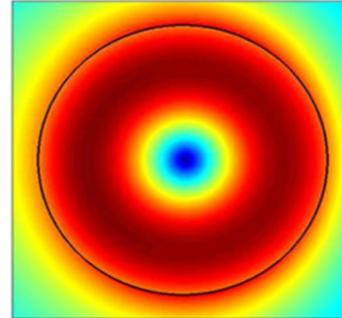
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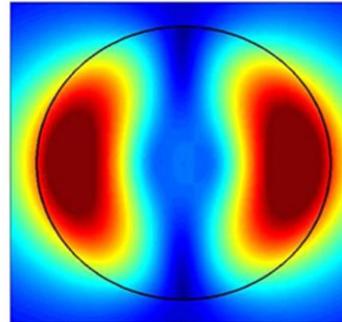
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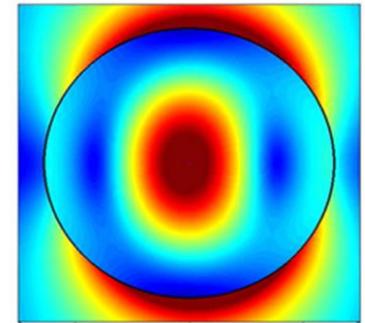
(3) Magnetic quadrupolar



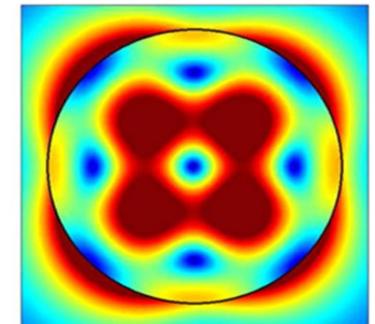
$n \gtrsim 2$  needed

$|E|^2$  maps

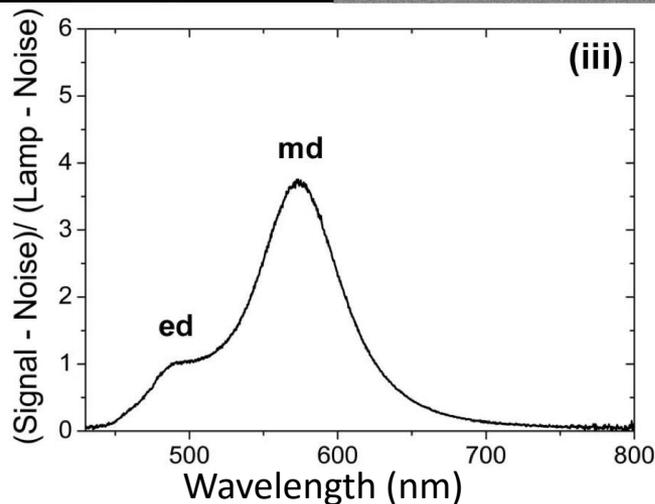
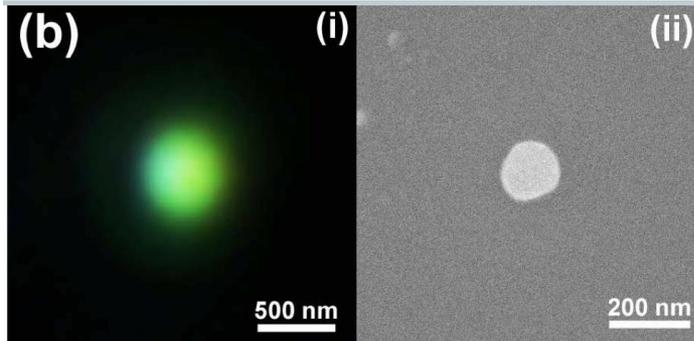
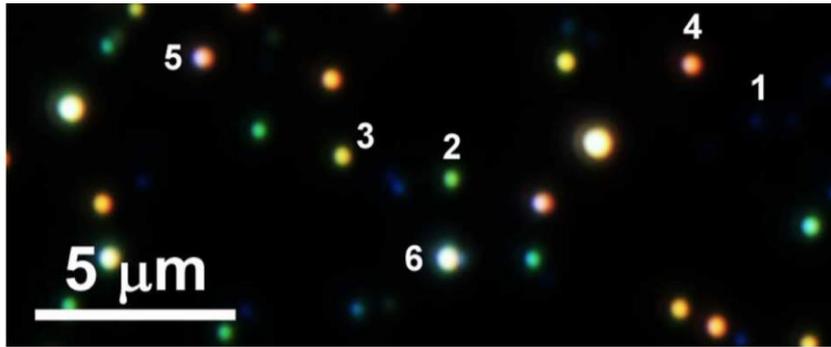
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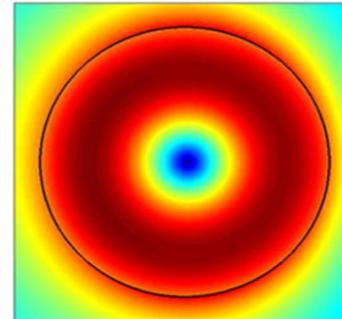
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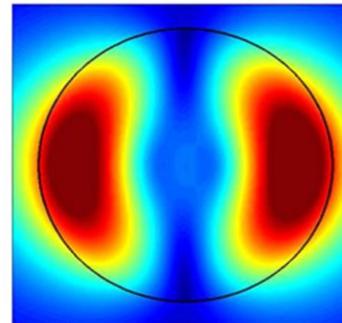
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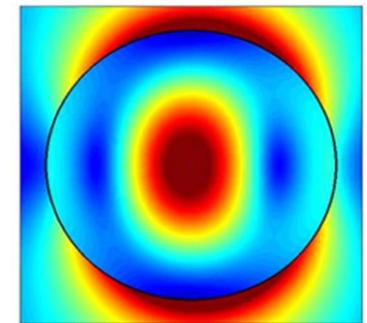


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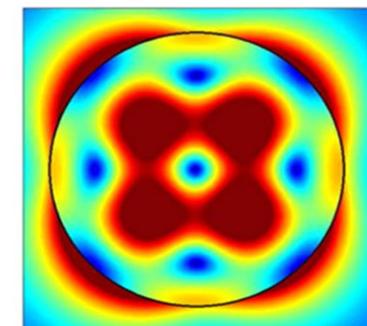


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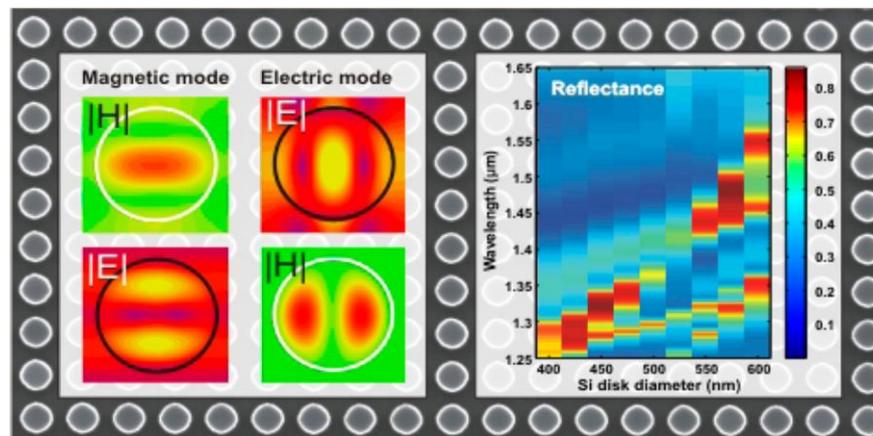
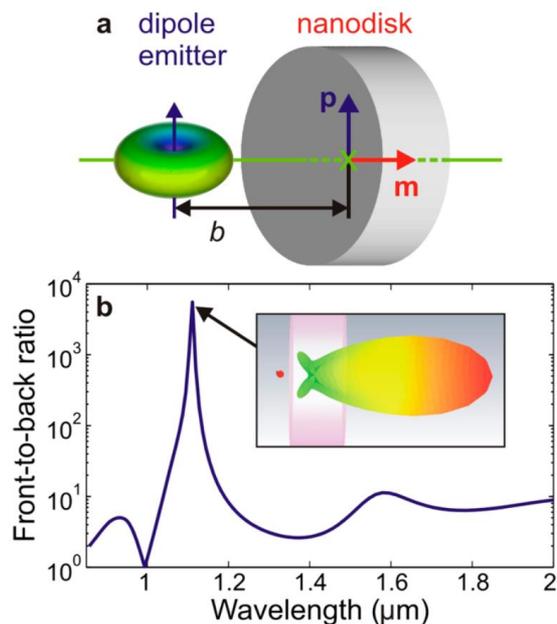


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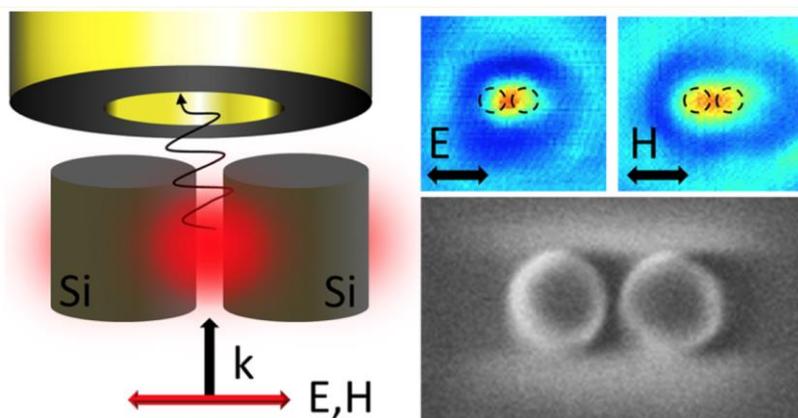


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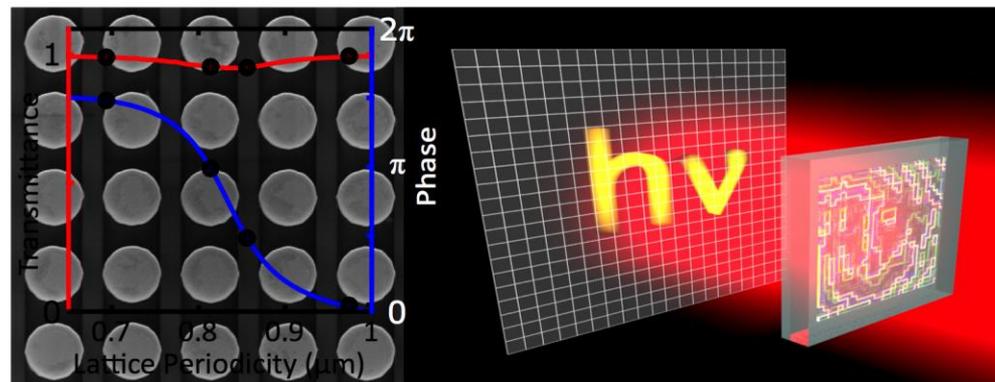
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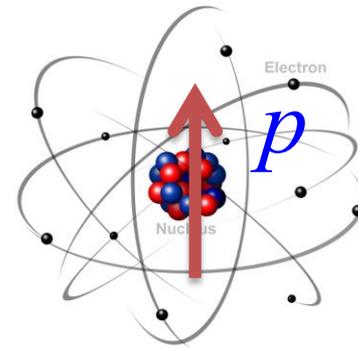
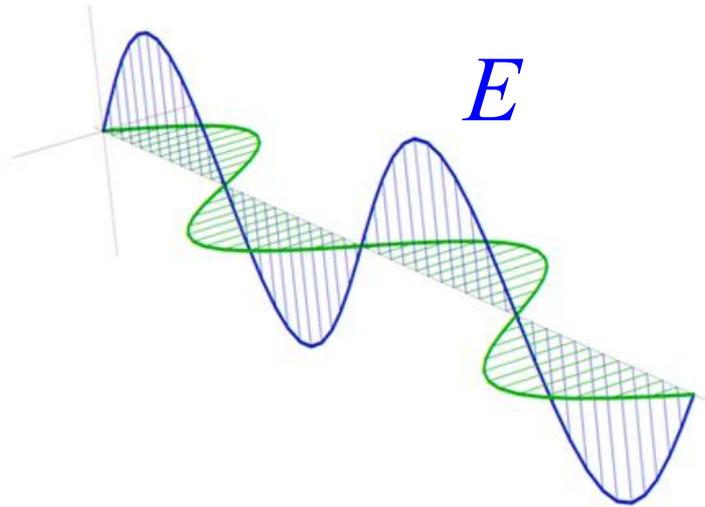
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Chong et al., ACS Photonics (accepted, 2016)



# Nonlinear all-dielectric nanophotonics



Polarization (CGS):

$$\tilde{P} = \chi^{(1)} \tilde{E}(t) + \chi^{(2)} \tilde{E}^2(t) + \chi^{(3)} \tilde{E}^3(t) + \dots$$

for  $E \sim E_{atomic}$

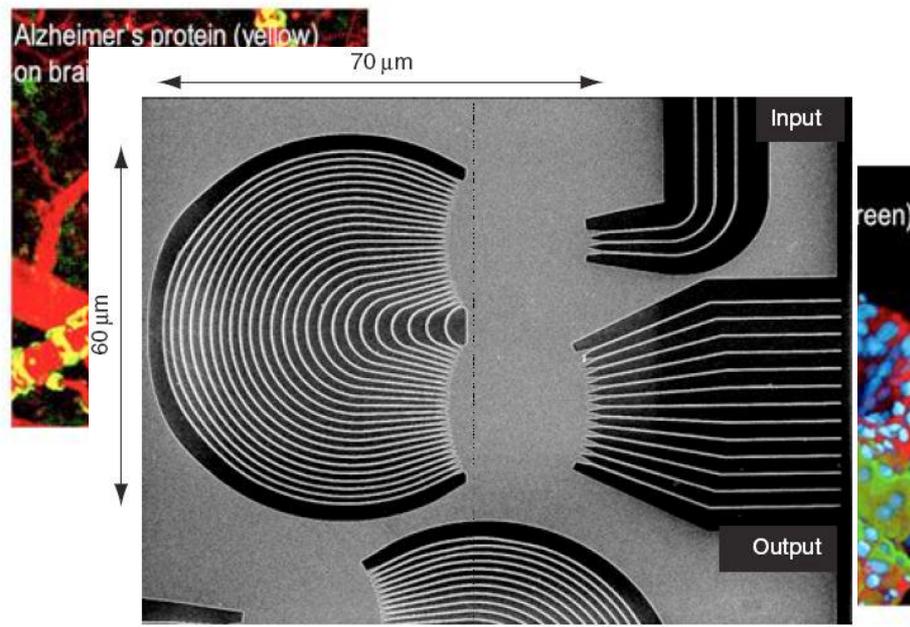
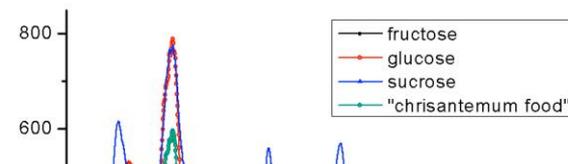
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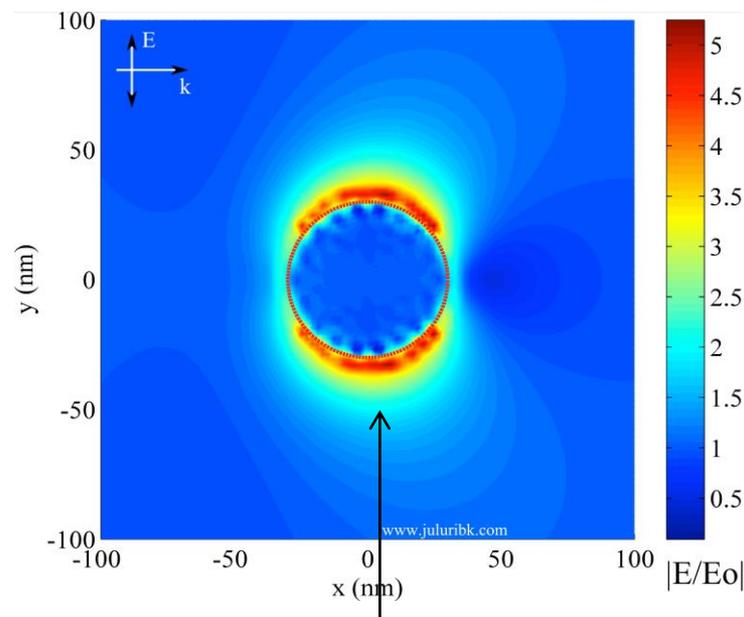
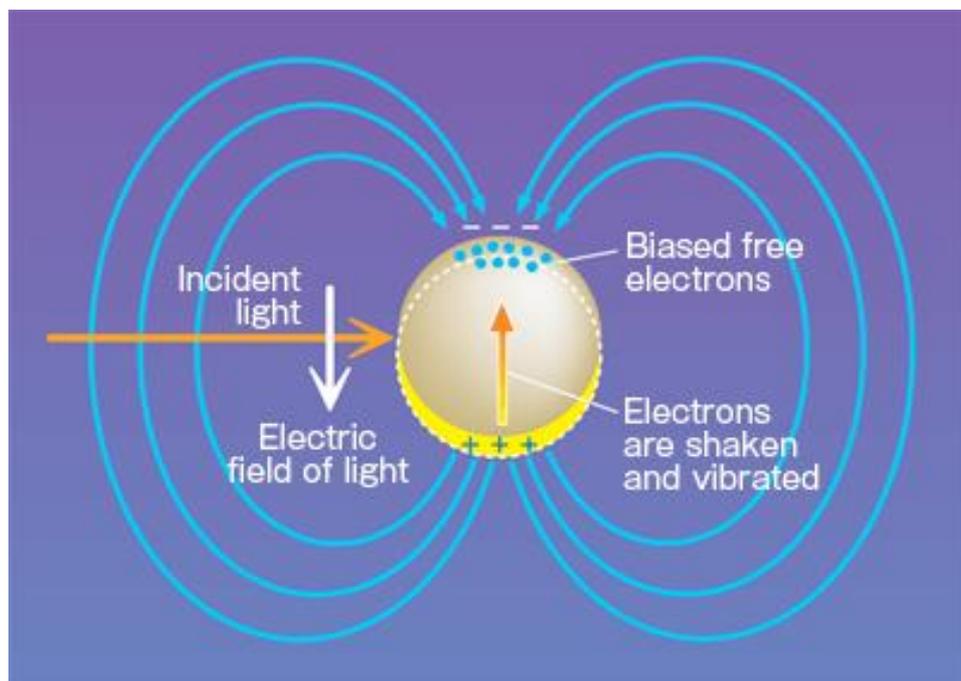
- Tunable laser sources
- Chem analysis
- Multiphoton microscopy
- All-optical telecom
- etc...



# Plasmon-Enhanced Nonlinear Optics

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local-field enhancement  
= enhanced N.O.

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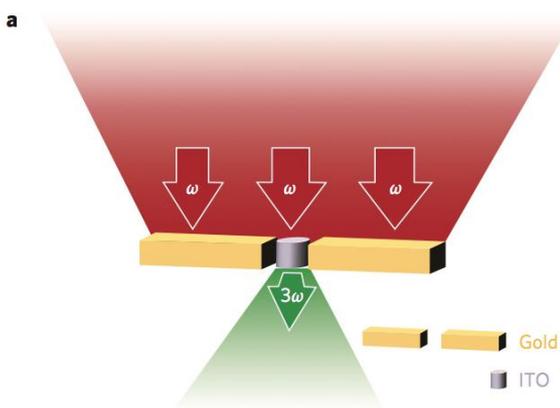
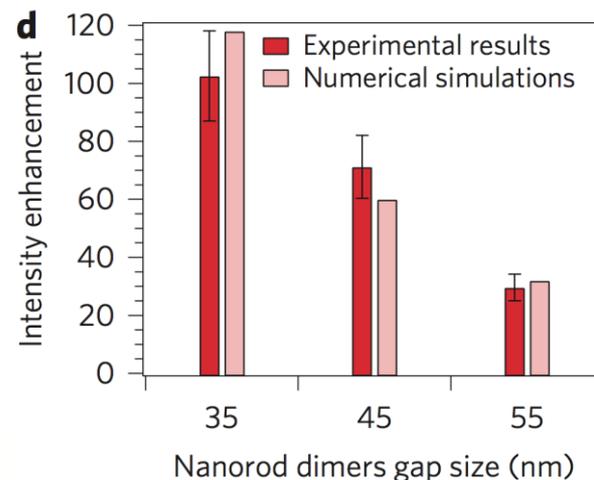
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## Third-harmonic-upconversion enhancement from a single semiconductor nanoparticle coupled to a plasmonic antenna

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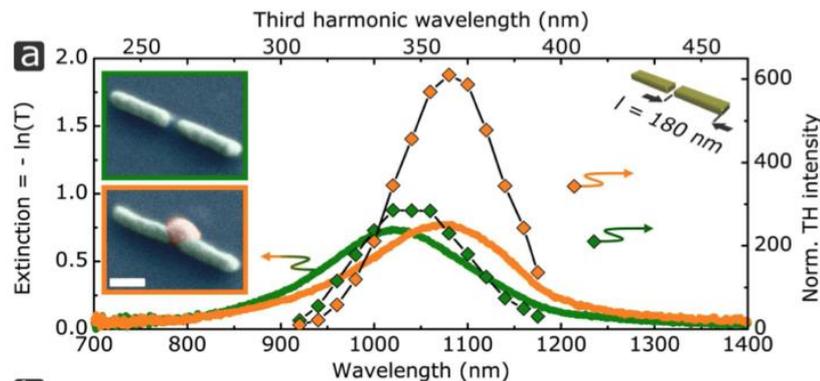
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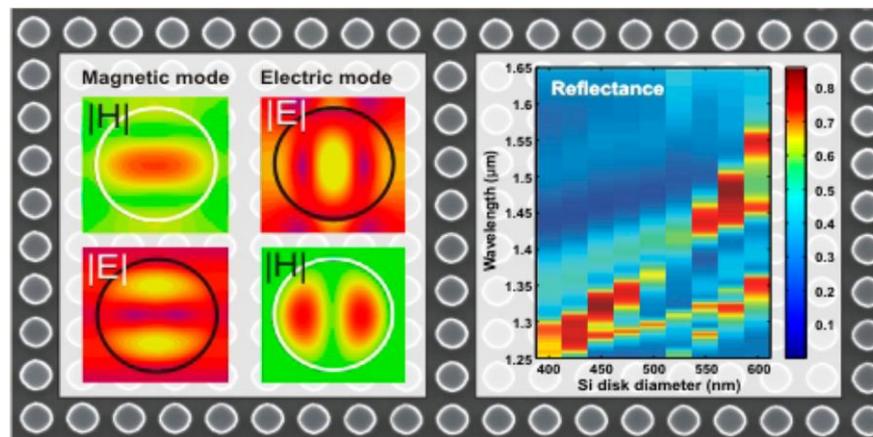
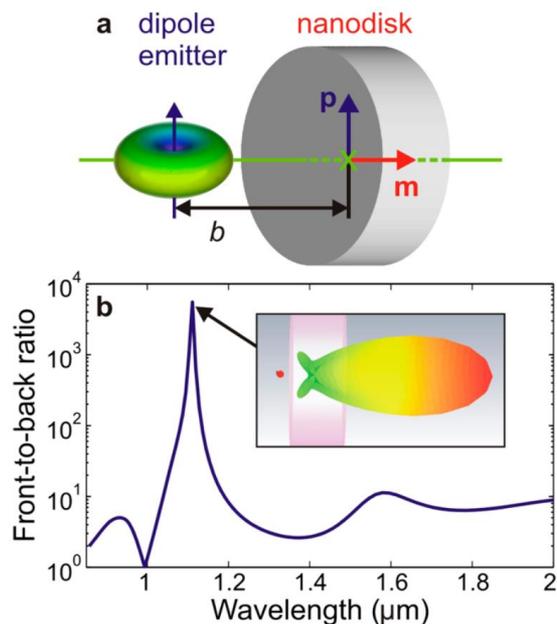
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### Measurement

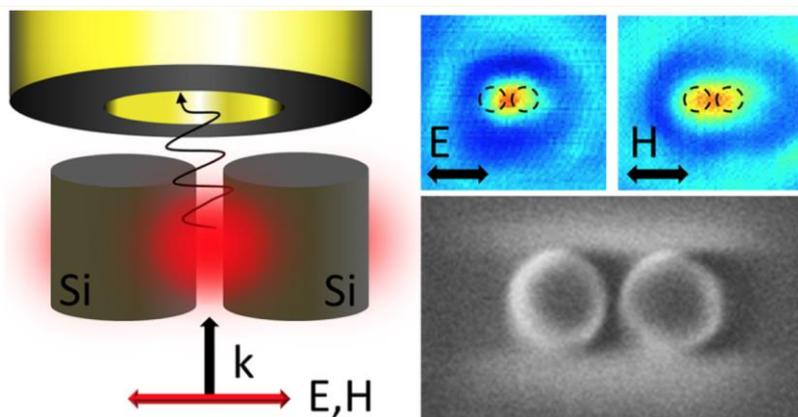


Maximum conversion  $\sim 10^{-7}$

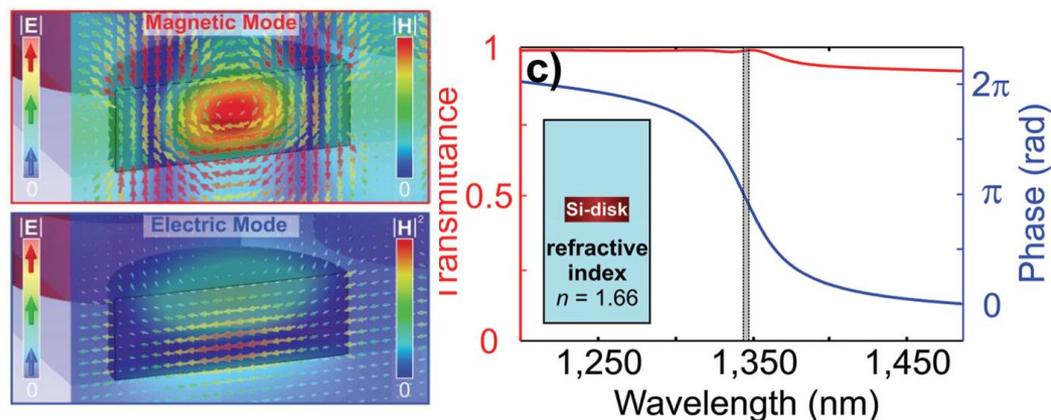
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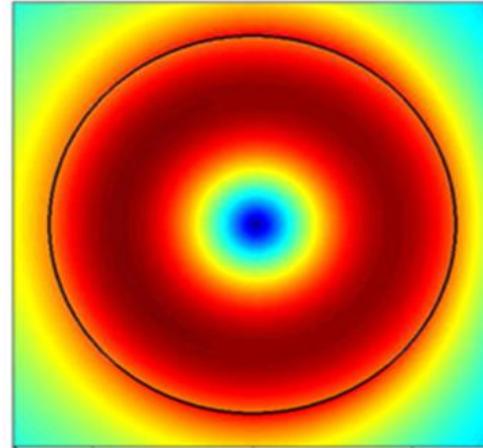
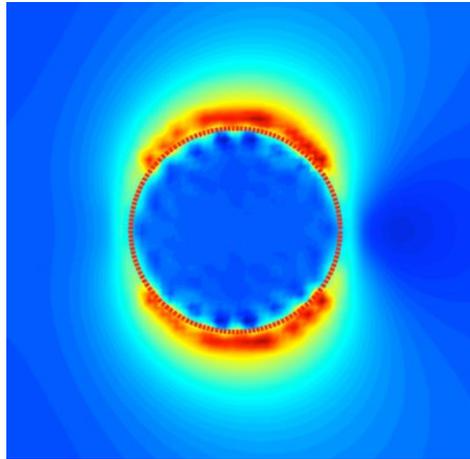
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# Why high- $n$ nanoparticles?

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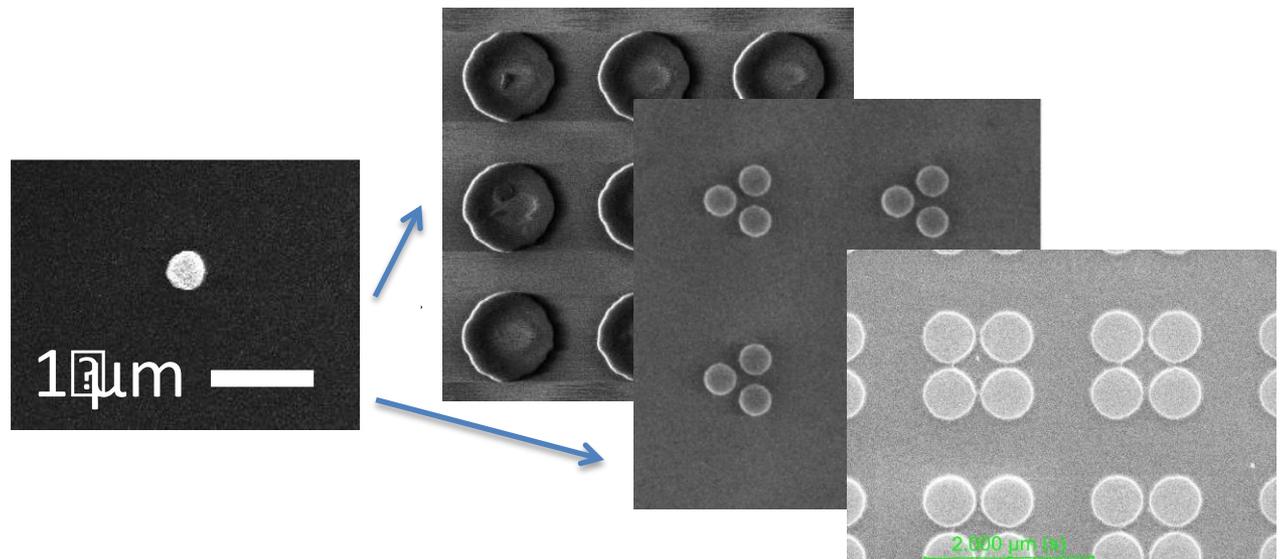
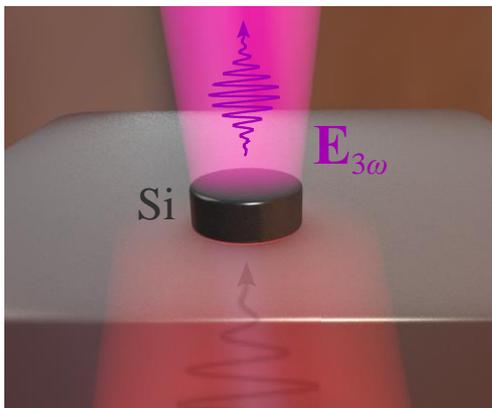
Noble metal vs. high- $n$  dielectric

- Si: approx. same  $\chi^{(3)}$  as gold
- Near-IR (inc. telecom) — no linear absorption
- The mode is mostly inside the NL medium

# Nonlinear optics of Mie-resonant NPs

## Goals:

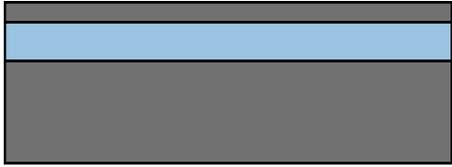
- THG enhancement
- Magnetic vs. electric resonances
- THG in coupled nanoparticles: oligomers and metasurfaces



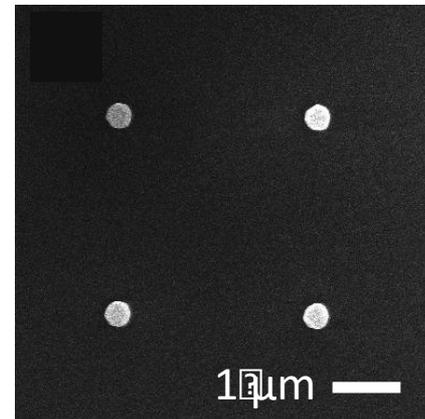


# Si nanodisks: fabrication

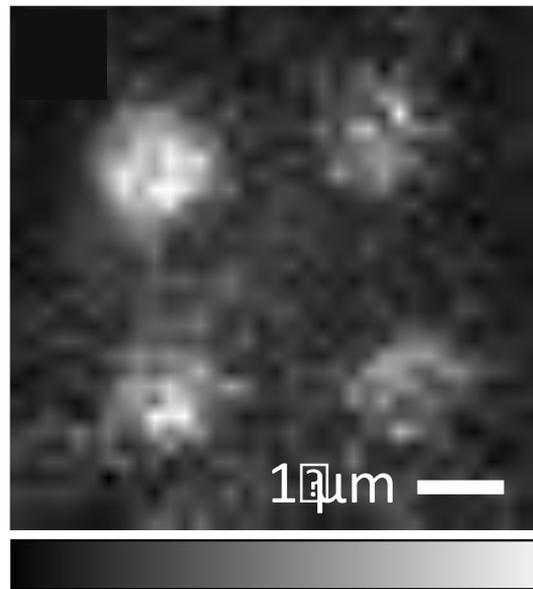
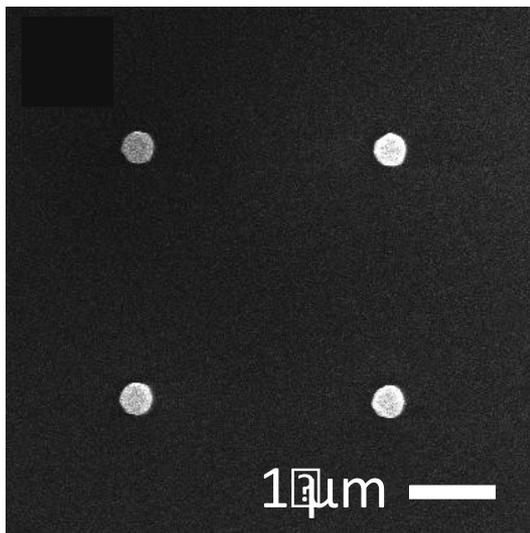
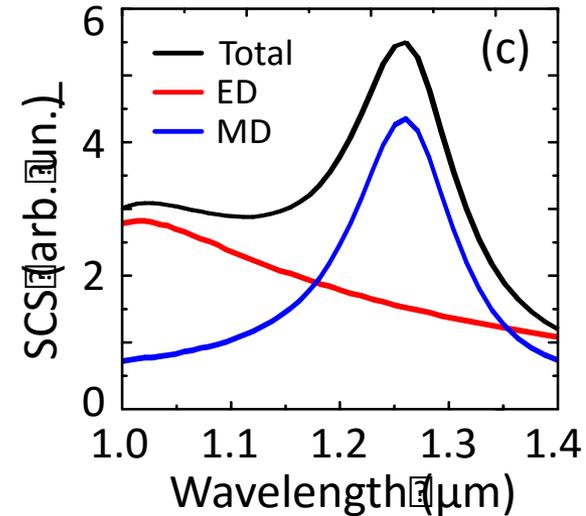
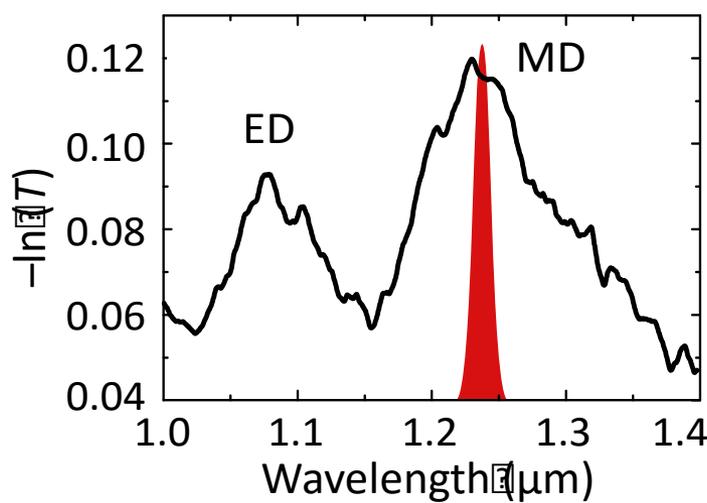
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Silicon on insulator wafer



# Third-harmonic generation microscopy

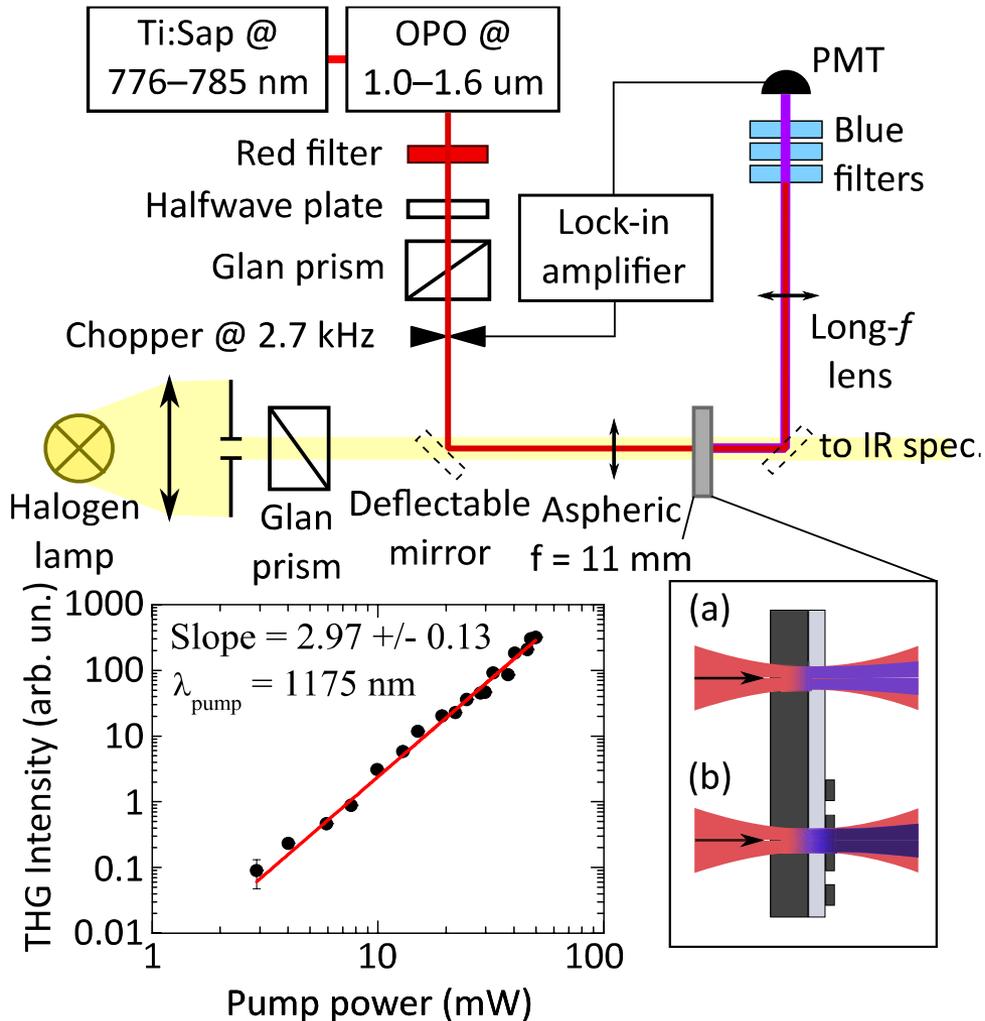


Olympus FluoView  
FV1000  
+ Coherent  
Chameleon Ultra II  
+ Coherent OPO  
pump @ 1240 nm

Shcherbakov *et al.*,  
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0 THG<sub>disk</sub>/THG<sub>sub</sub> 10

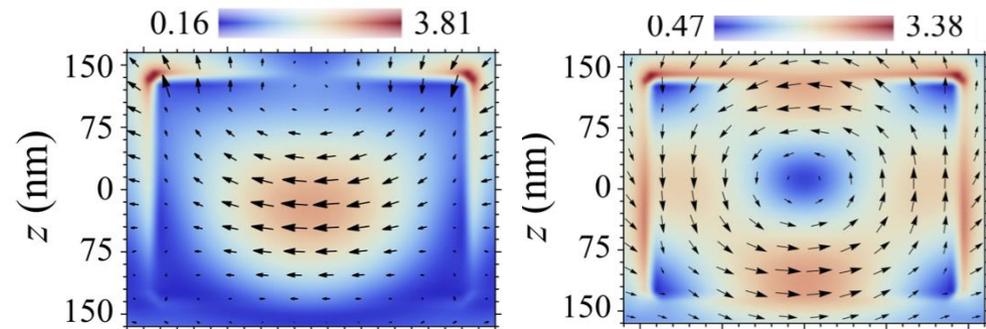
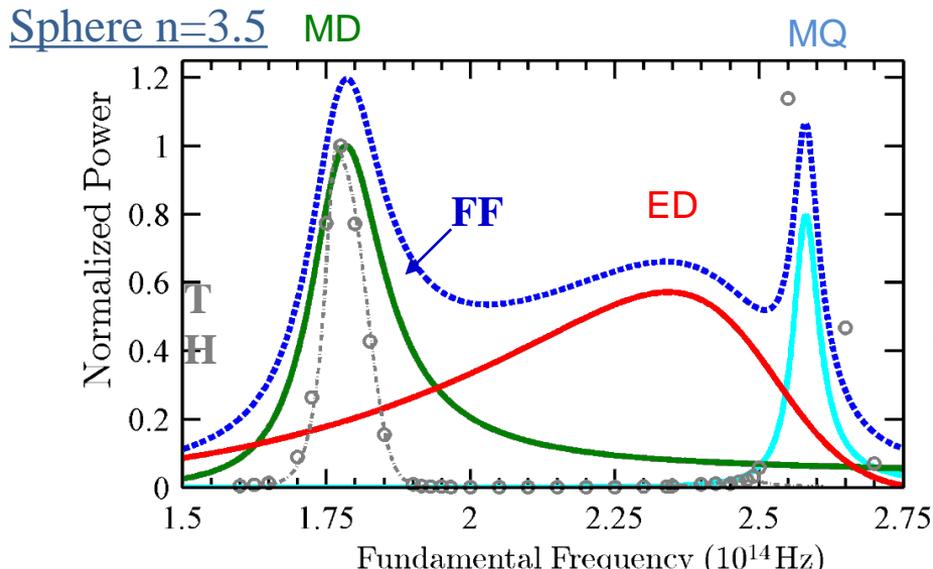
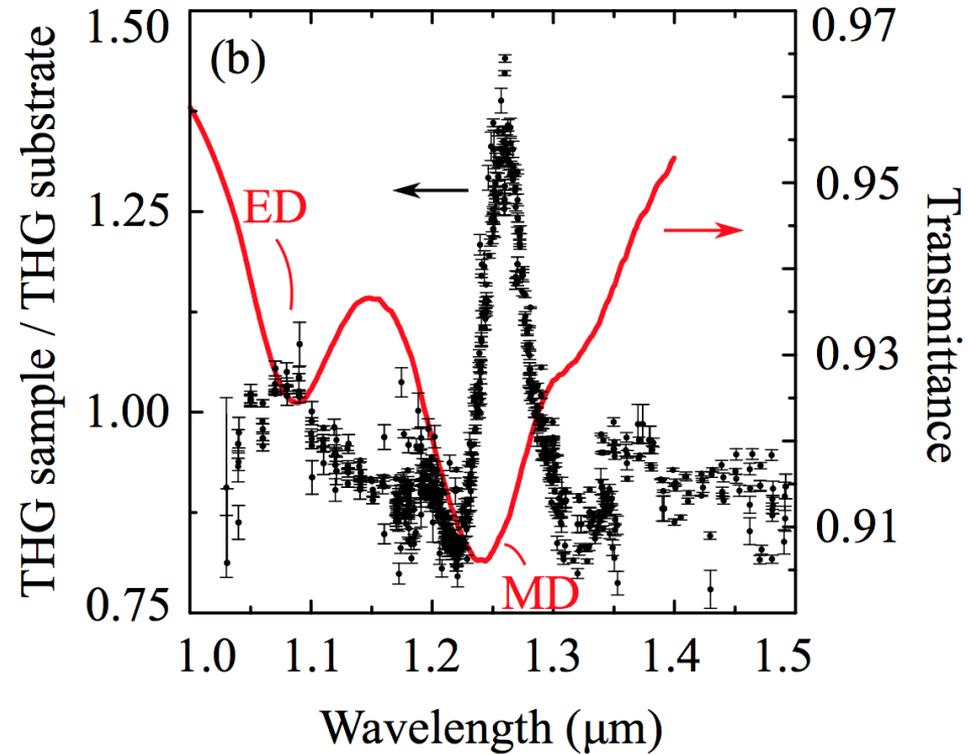
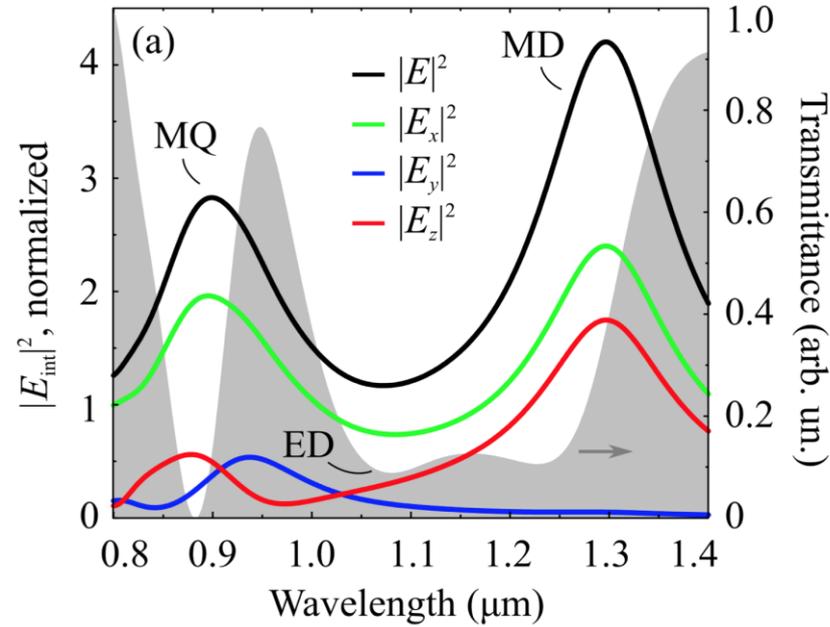
# Third-harmonic generation spectroscopy



## Experiment details

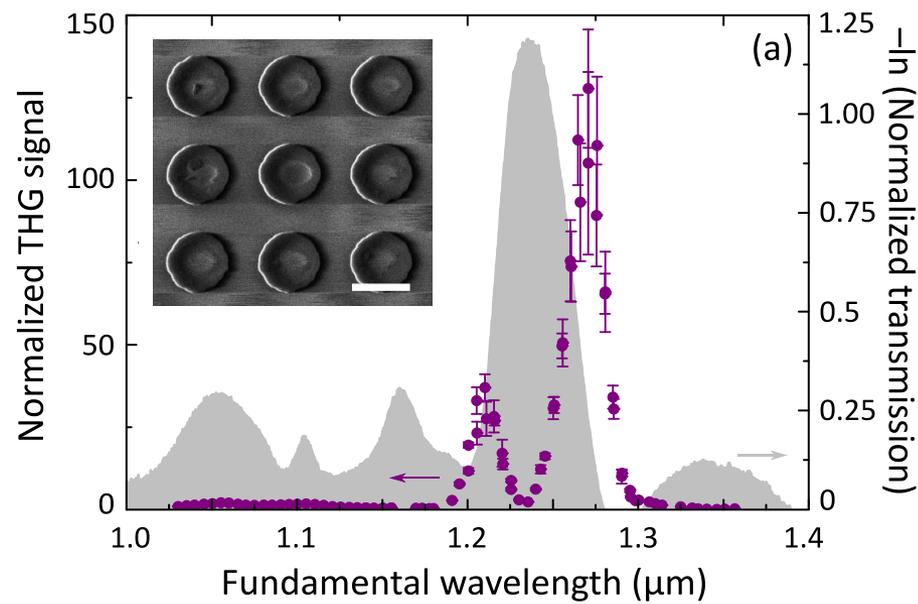
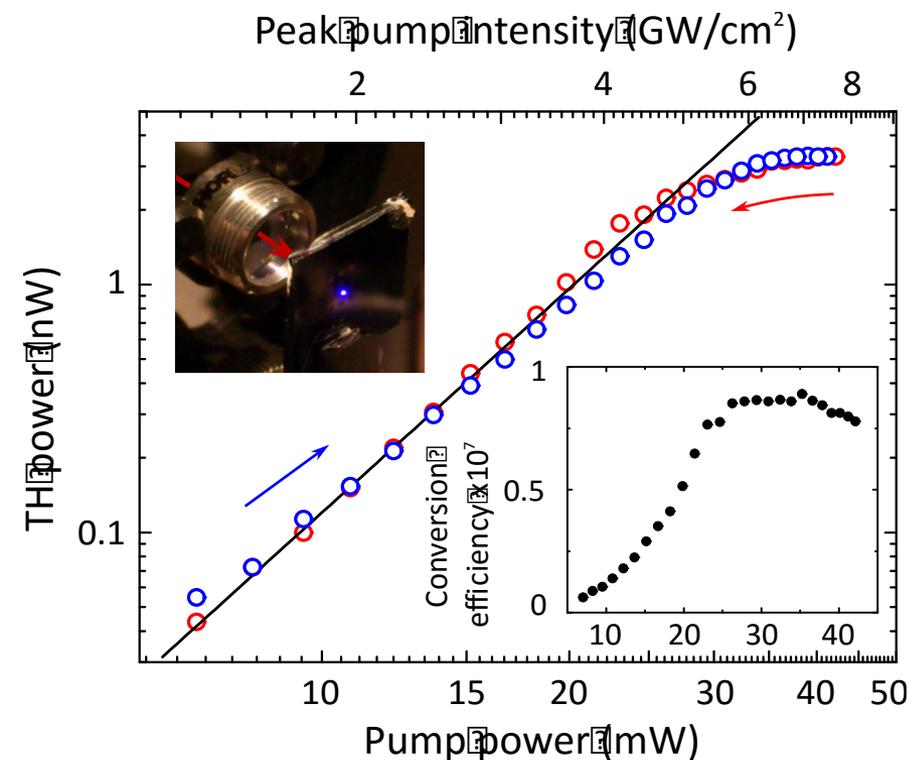
- $\sim 10 \text{ GW/cm}^2$  max intensity
- 1.0–1.6 μm pump tuning
- Normalization over THG from the Si substrate to remove  $\chi^{(3)}$  dispersion
- Linear & nonlinear spectra acquired from the same spot

# Electric and magnetic resonances: THG



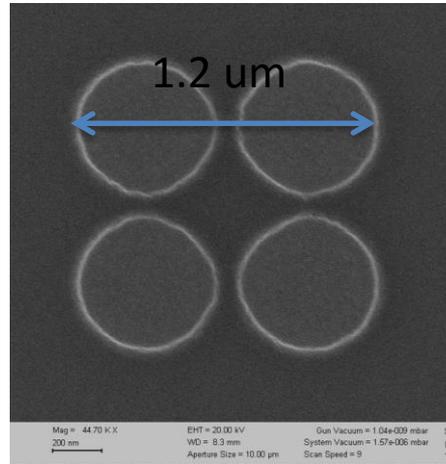
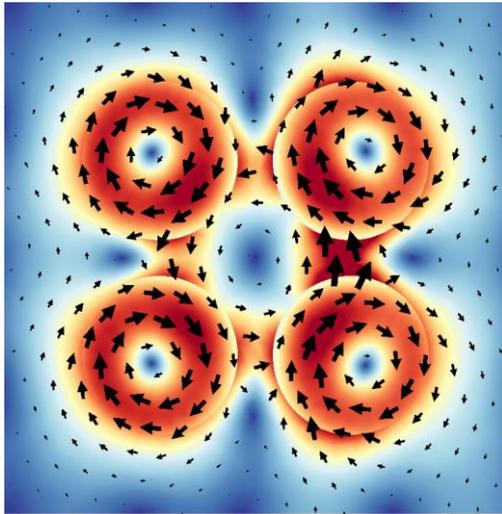
Melik-Gaykazyan et al. (submitted)

# Higher TH yield by packing to form a metasurface

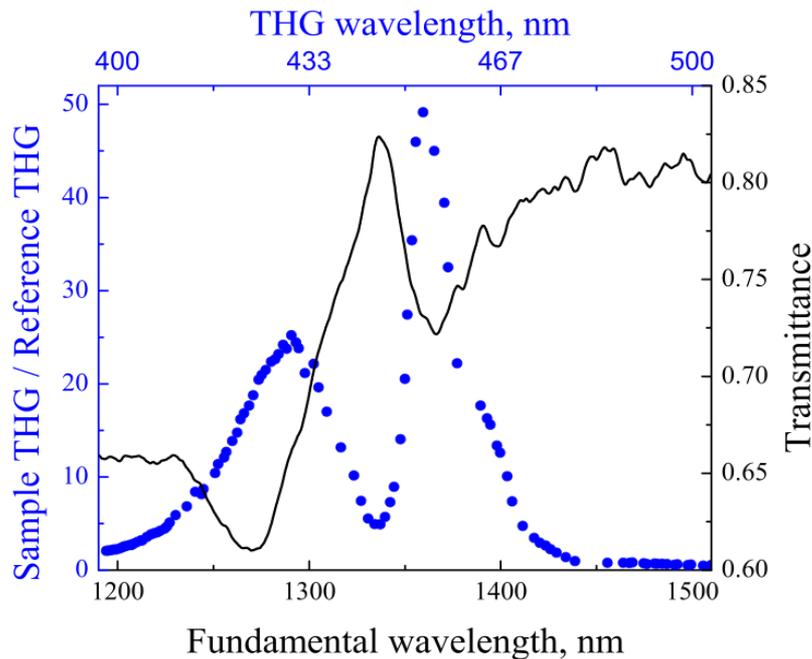


$$\tilde{P} = \chi^{(1)} \tilde{E}(t) + \chi^{(2)} \tilde{E}^2(t) + \chi^{(3)} \tilde{E}^3(t) + \dots$$

# Tweaking the system a little



- Amorphous silicon
- Resonance spectrum = spectrum of the pulse
- No TH absorption

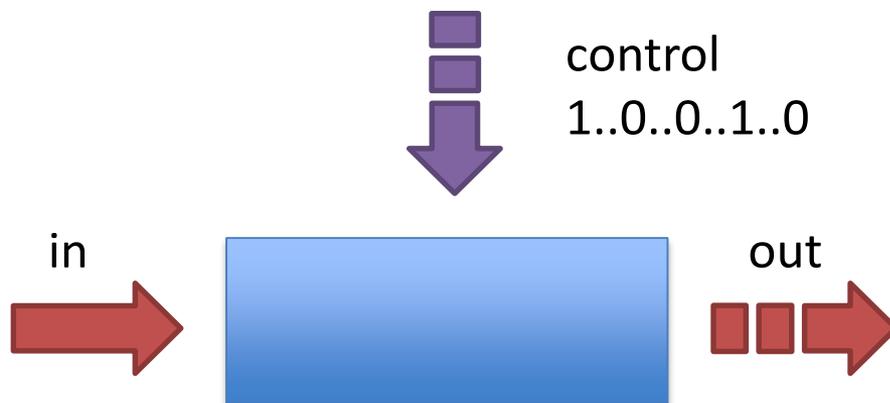


IR to blue conversion  $\sim 10^{-5}$

Record set for  
a subwavelength object

# All-optical switching

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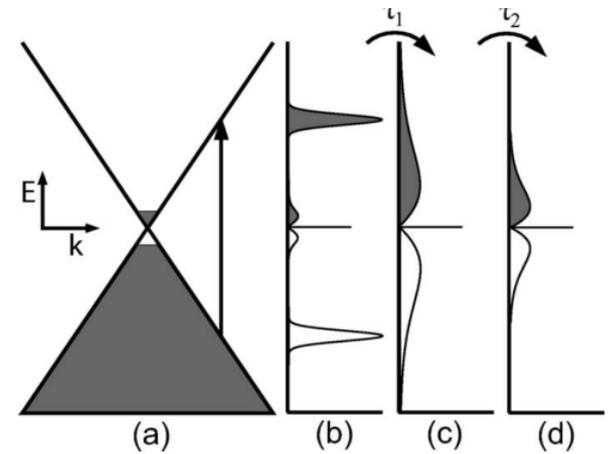
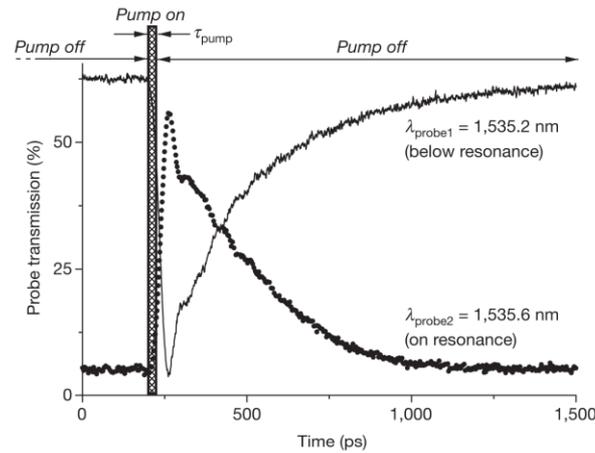
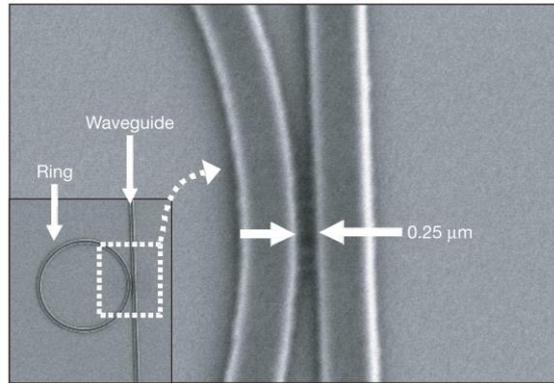
incoherent approaches

- via solid-state excitations
- relaxation time is a strong limiting factor

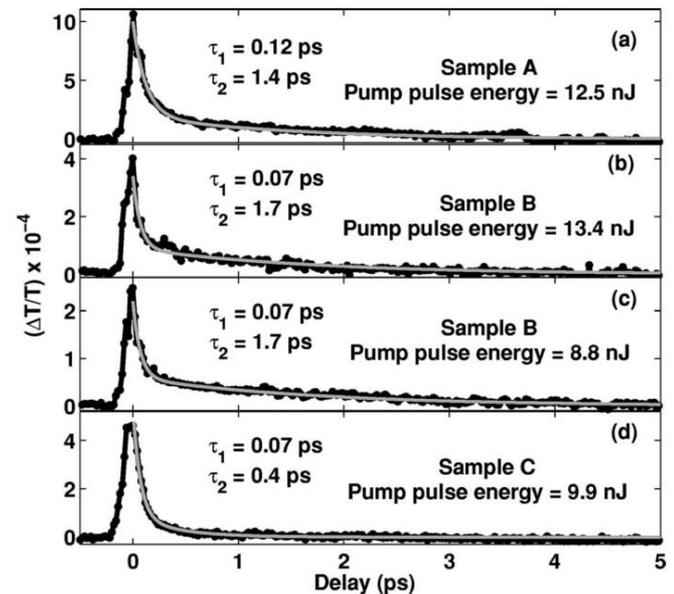
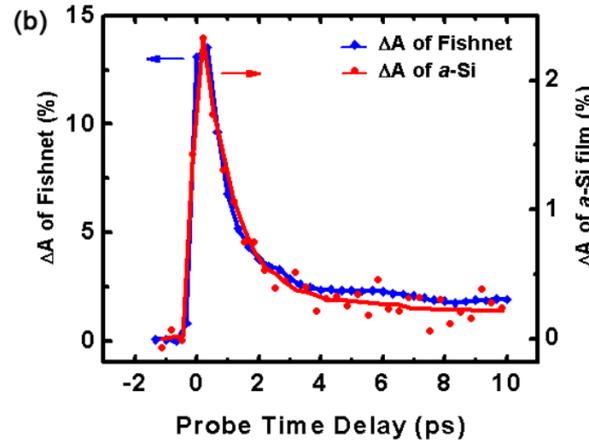
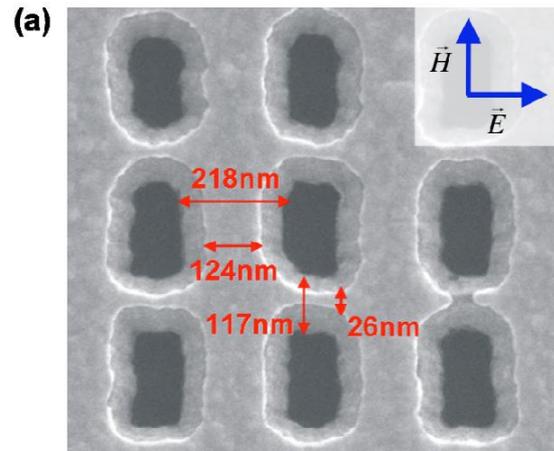
coherent approaches

- via wave mixing or other multiphoton processes
- no relaxation time

# All-optical switching



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Nature **431**, 1081-1084 (2004)

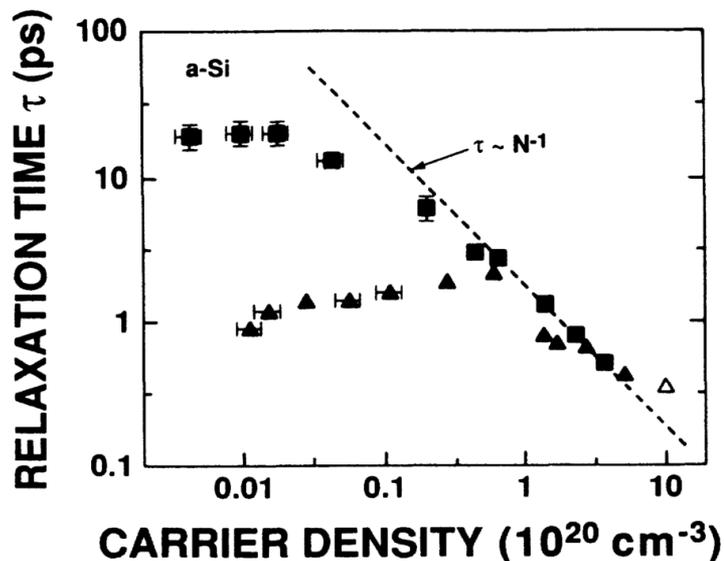


Cho et al., Opt. Express **17**, 17652 (2009)

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Appl. Phys. Lett. **92**, 042116 (2008)

# Problems & a quest for instantaneous processes



- Cavity build-up time  
→ low-Q regime
- Two-photon absorption is OK  
but free carriers are the bottleneck

TPA all-optical switching:

Ren et al., Adv. Mater. **23**, 5540 (2011)

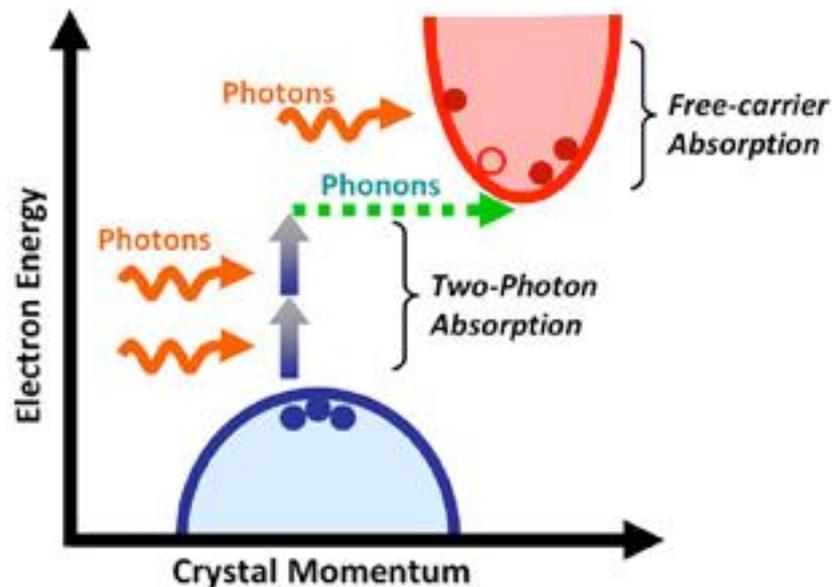
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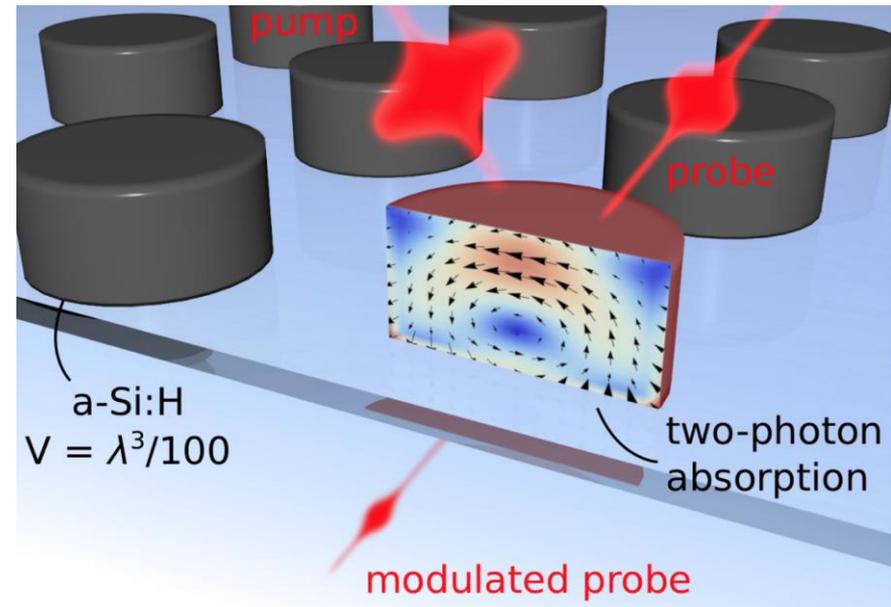


# Goals

- Two-photon absorption enhancement observation in Mie-resonant Si metasurfaces
- Femtosecond pump-probe measurements

## Why the magnetic Mie?

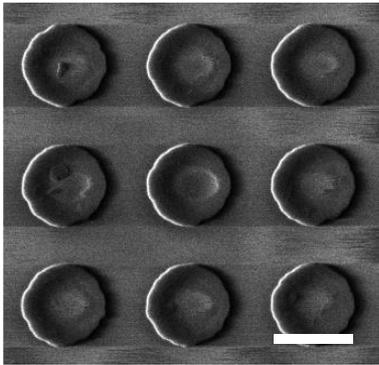
- Sufficient Q
- CMOS
- Confined mode



# What form of silicon?

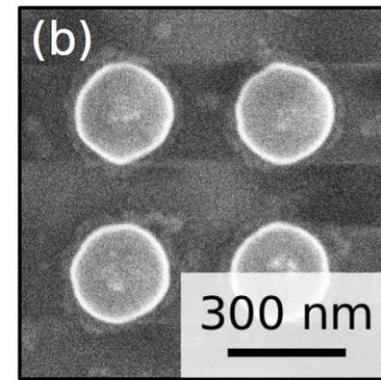
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SOI c-Si  $\rightarrow$  e-beam  $\rightarrow$  plasma



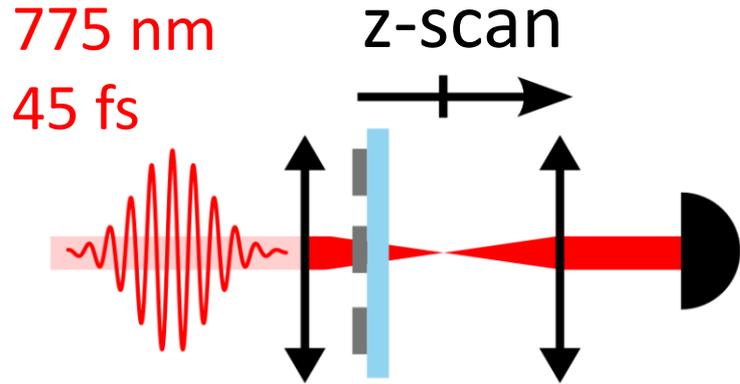
I. Brener's group, Sandia

PECVD a-Si:H  $\rightarrow$   
e-beam  $\rightarrow$  plasma

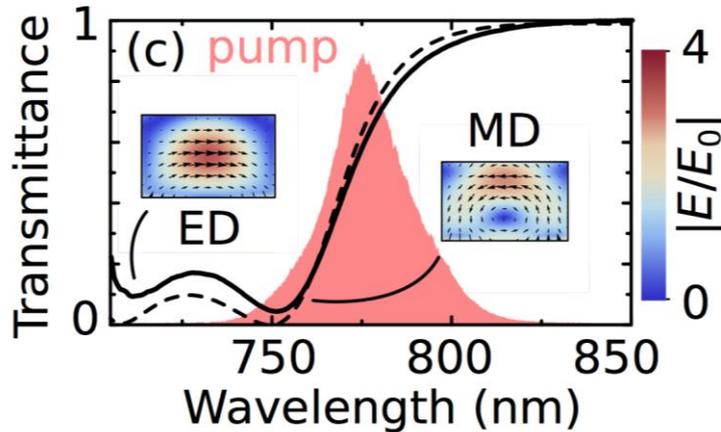


ANU group, Canberra

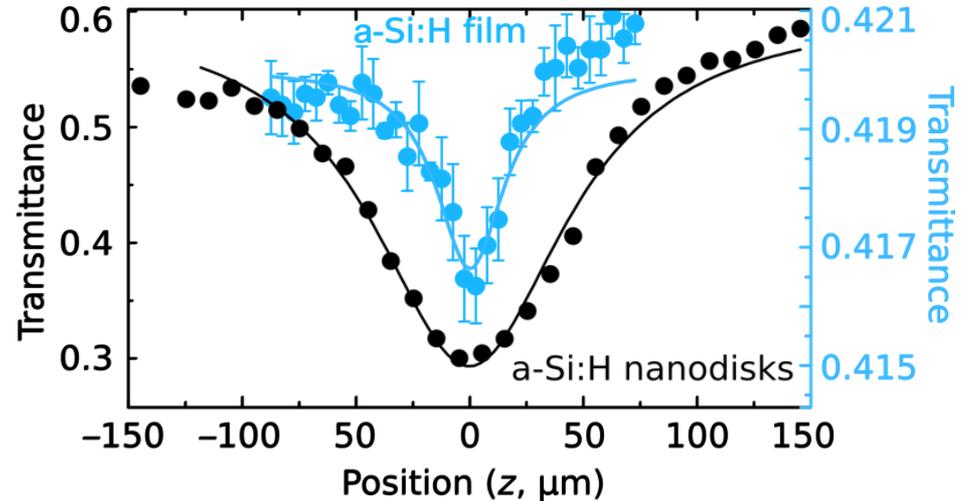
# Nonlinear absorption: $\text{Im} \chi^{(3)}(\omega = \omega + \omega - \omega)$



$$T(z) = 1 - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \frac{\beta_{\text{sam}} IL}{1 + \left(\frac{z}{z_0}\right)^2}$$

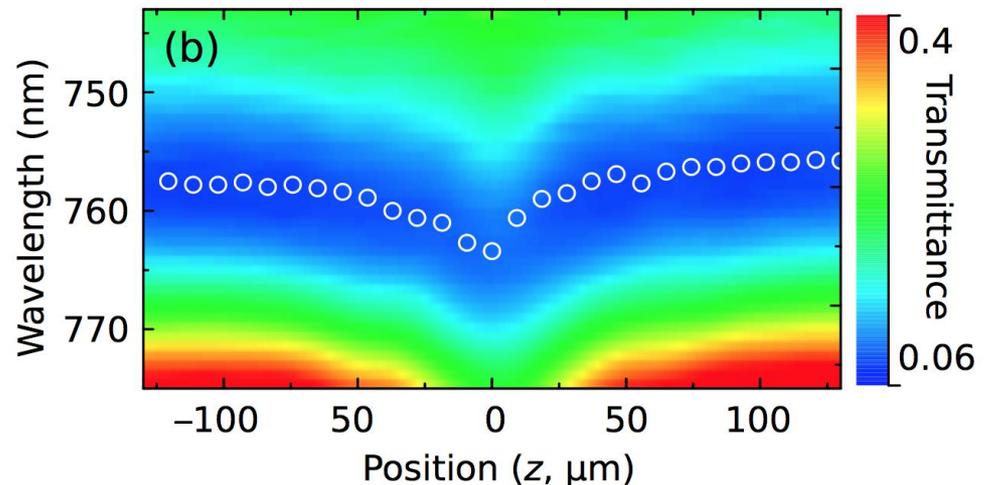


<1 pJ per disk

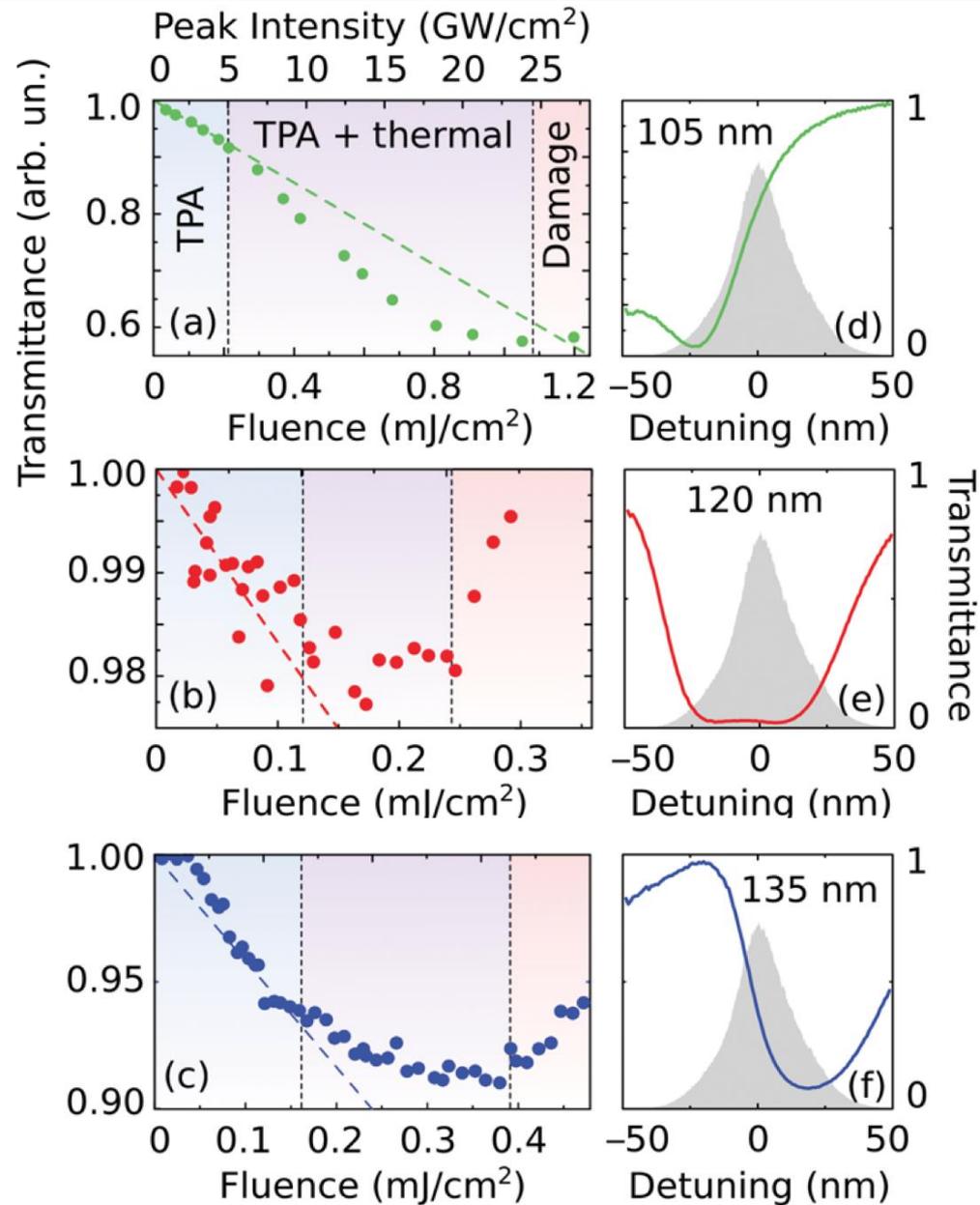


$$\beta_{\text{film}} = 0.07 \text{ cm/kW}$$

$$\beta_{\text{sam}} = 5.6 \text{ cm/kW (film x80)}$$



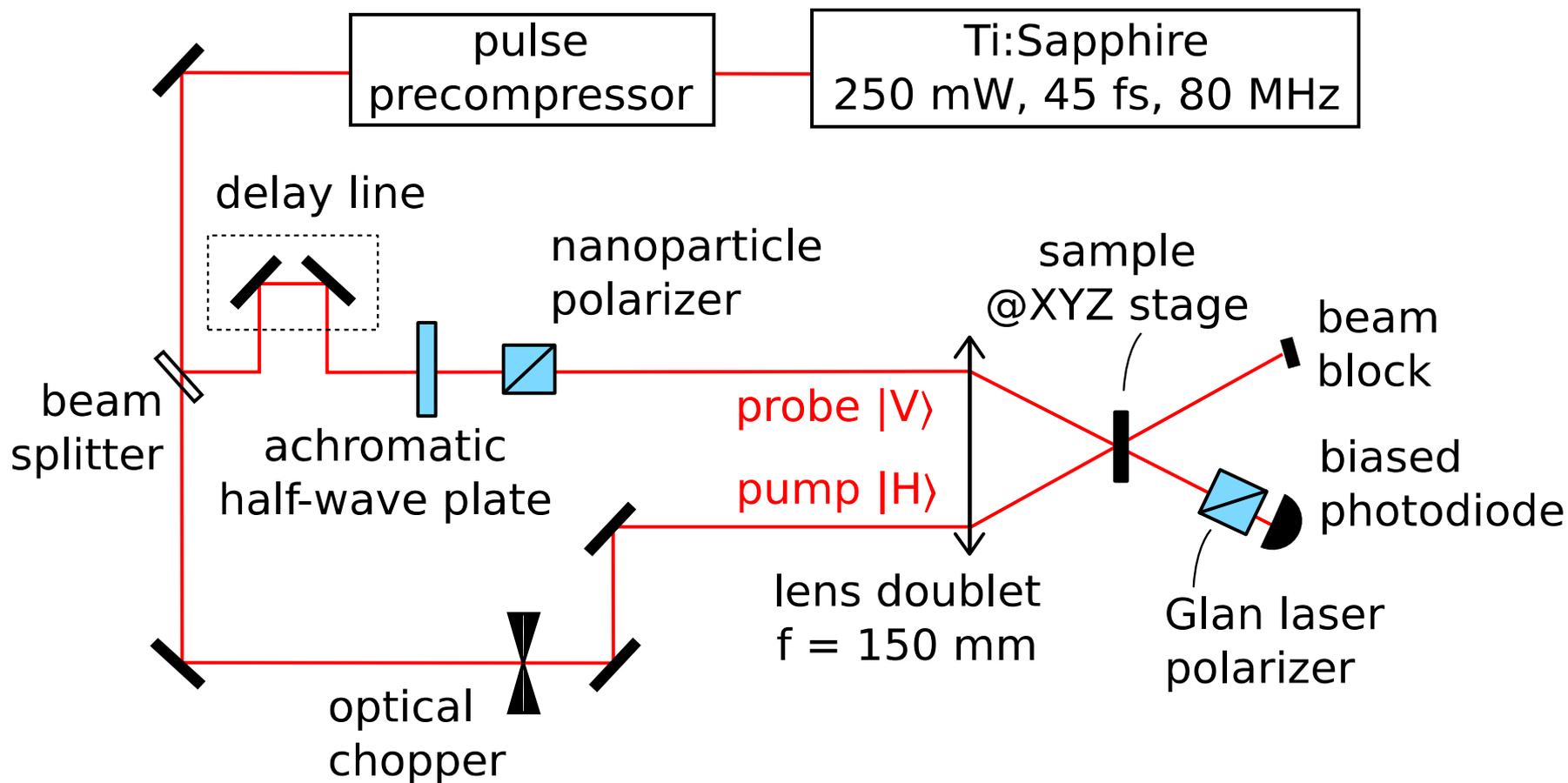
# Further self-action



- $\text{Re}[\chi^{(3)}] \ll \text{Im}[\chi^{(3)}]$
- Don't hit the resonance
- Damage fluences leave some room above

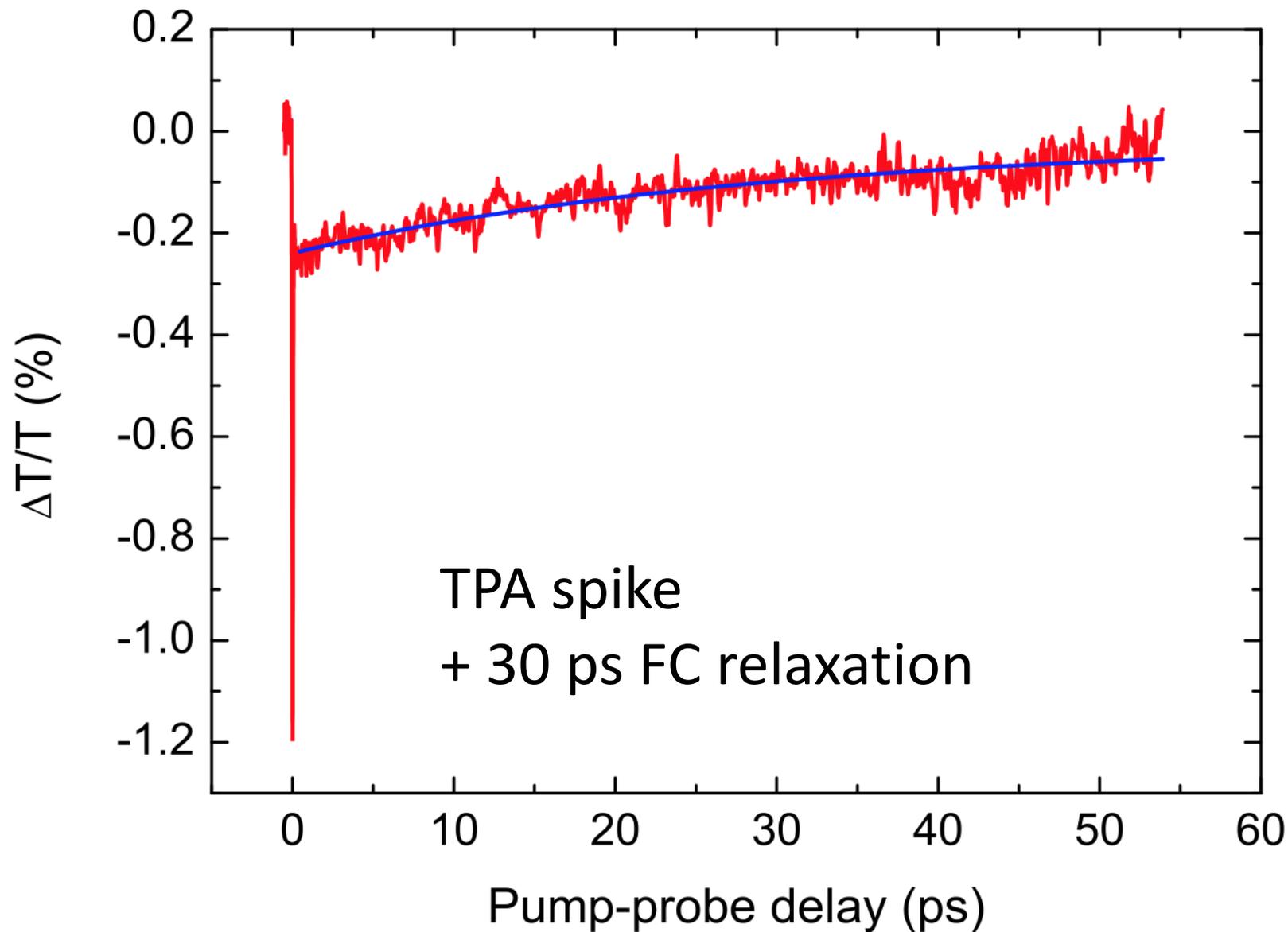
How fast is the nonlinearity?

# Frequency-degenerate pump-probe

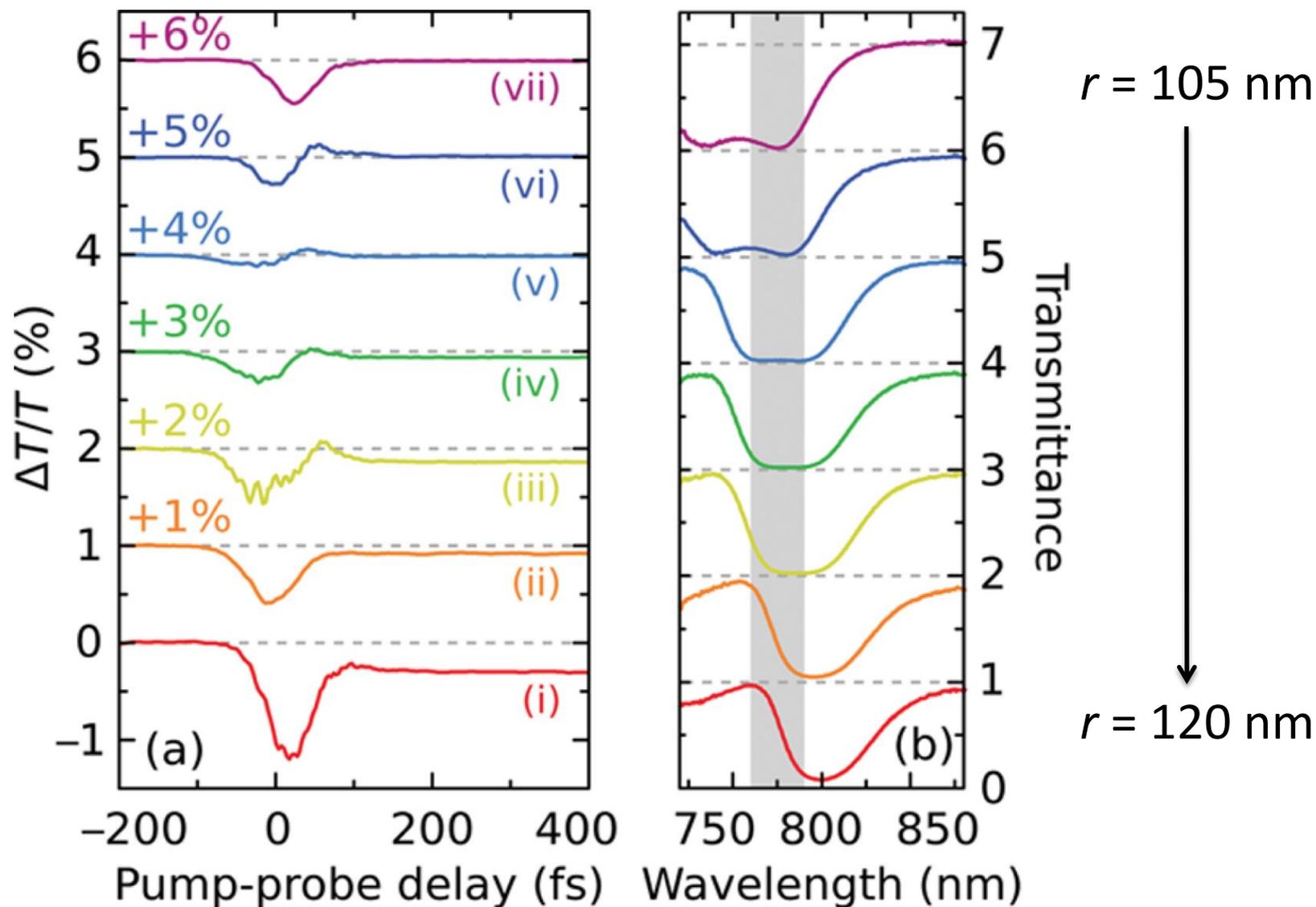


13 fJ per disk

# Frequency-degenerate pump-probe



# Frequency-degenerate pump-probe



*TPA spike with the FC dispersion eliminated*

# Role of free carriers

TPA → carrier concentration  $N$  [ $\text{cm}^{-3}$ ]

$N \sim 10^{18} \text{ cm}^{-3}$  in the experiment

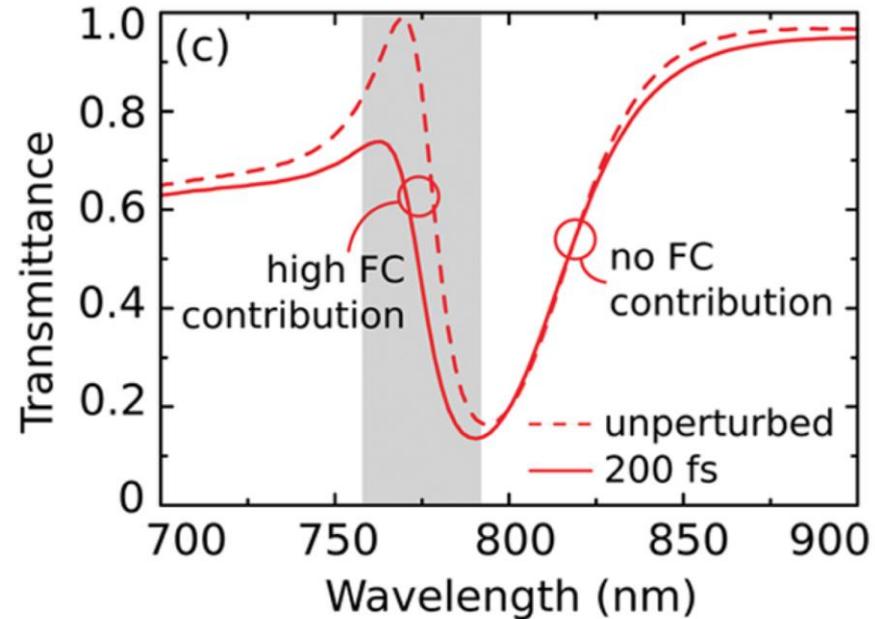
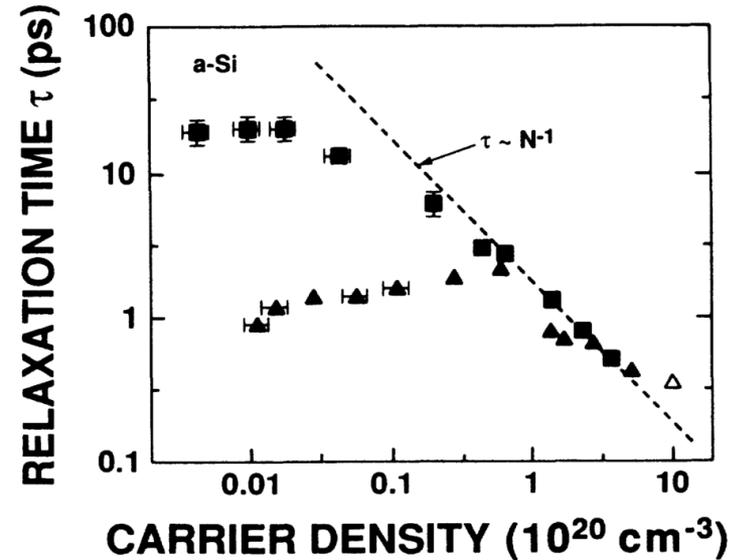
Up to  $N \sim 10^{21} \text{ cm}^{-3}$  shown previously

$N \sim 5 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$  used in calculations

$$\Delta\epsilon_1 = \frac{-Ne^2}{m^*\epsilon_0(\omega^2 + \tau_d^{-2})},$$

$$\Delta\epsilon_2 = \frac{-\Delta\epsilon_1}{\omega\tau_d},$$

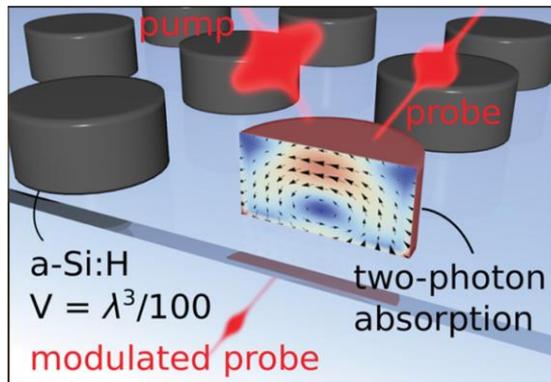
$$\frac{dN}{dt} = \frac{N_{max}}{\tau_p\sqrt{\pi}} e^{-\frac{t}{\tau_p}} - \gamma N^2 - \frac{N}{\tau_{tr}}$$



# Pulse-limited low-power optical switching

TABLE I. Characteristics of micro- and nano-scale ultrafast switches.

Switching medium	Specific modulation $\ln(T_0/T)/E$ , $\text{pJ}^{-1}$	Device volume, $\mu\text{m}^3$	Response time, ps	Wavelength, $\mu\text{m}$	Reference
Mangetic nanocavities	0.77	$4.5 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0.065	0.775	this work
Rectangular waveguide	full <sup>a</sup>	1.07	550	1.55	[4]
Micropillar cavity	$3 \cdot 10^{-3}$	34	300	0.926	[5]
Microring resonator	0.59	15.4	6.2	1.54	[6]
Photonic crystal cavity	3500	2	35	1.568	[7]
Plasmonic nanoantenna + ITO	$6 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$6 \cdot 10^{-4}$	500	1.05	[8]
Plasmonic waveguide	$7 \cdot 10^{-7}$	900	0.3	0.78	[9]
Plasmonic nanorod arrays	$1.1 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$1.6 \cdot 10^{-4}$	2	0.79	[10]
Split ring resonator metamaterial	0.75	$9 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0.115	0.89	[11]



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## Dielectric nanostructures: Ultrafast responses

Maria Maragkou

*Nature Materials* **14**, 1086 (2015) | doi:10.1038/nmat4467

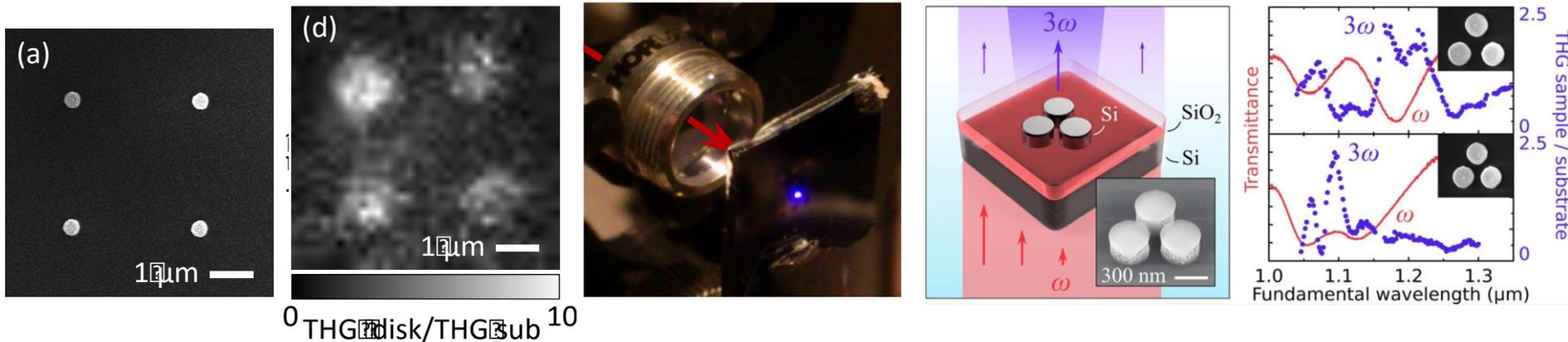
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# Nonlinear semiconductor metasurfaces: what's next?

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- Exploring the limits of conversion efficiencies: ~~THG~~, SHG, WM, HHG...
  - Other third-order processes: Kerr effect (SiC?), ~~TPA~~
  - ~~Transient free-carrier-induced processes~~
  - Other high- $n$  materials (GaAs, GaP, InP, ...)
  - Coupling to emitters (NVs, QDs, TMDCs...)
- ... and much more

# Conclusions



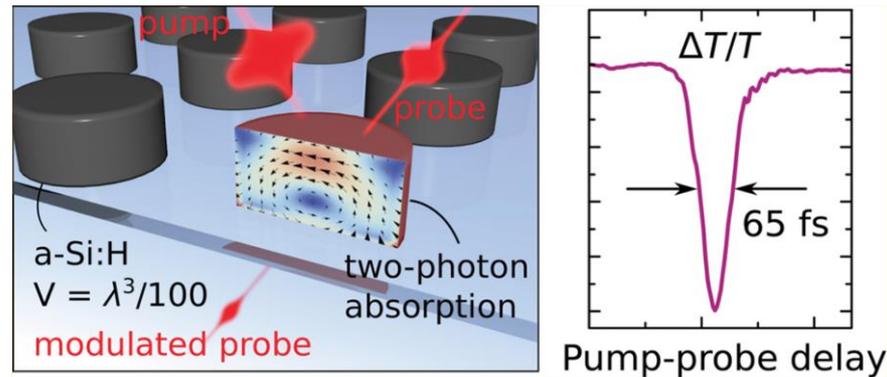
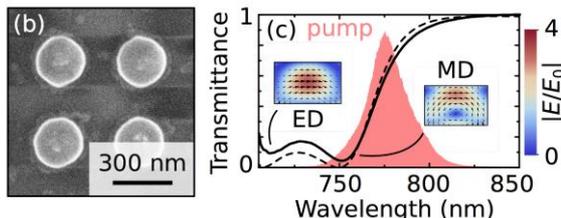
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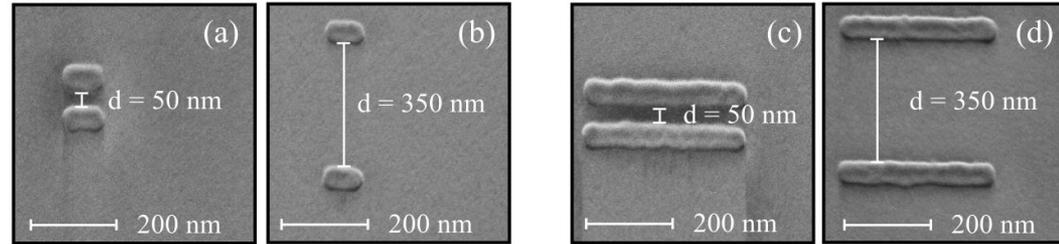


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# Efforts in plasmonics

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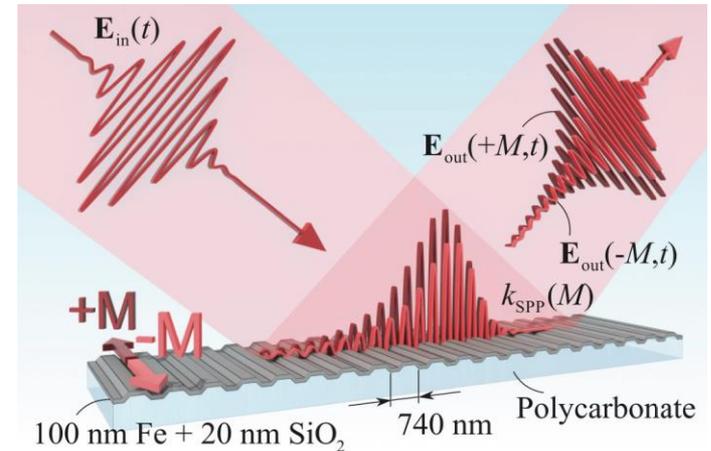
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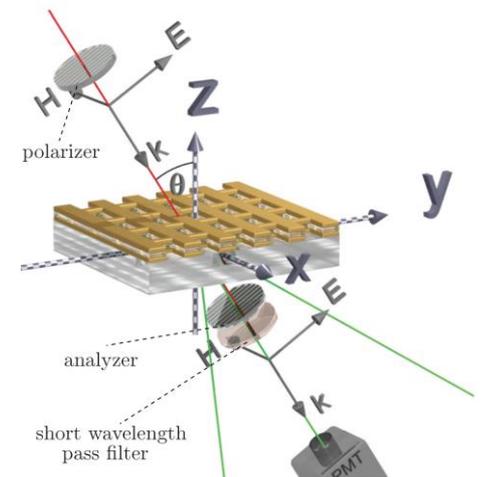
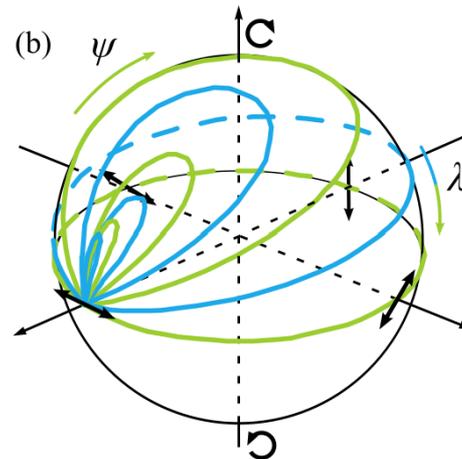
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