

# The OSA Photonic Detection Technical Group Welcomes You!



**BENDING, TRAPPING AND SLOWING DOWN  
LIGHT BEAMS FOR HIGHLY EFFICIENT AND  
ULTRA-FAST PHOTODETECTION**

**19 August 2019 14:00 EST**



**OSA** Photonic  
Detection  
Technical Group

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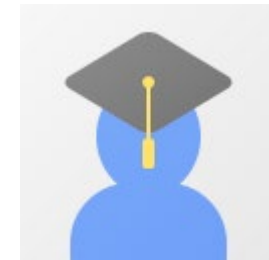
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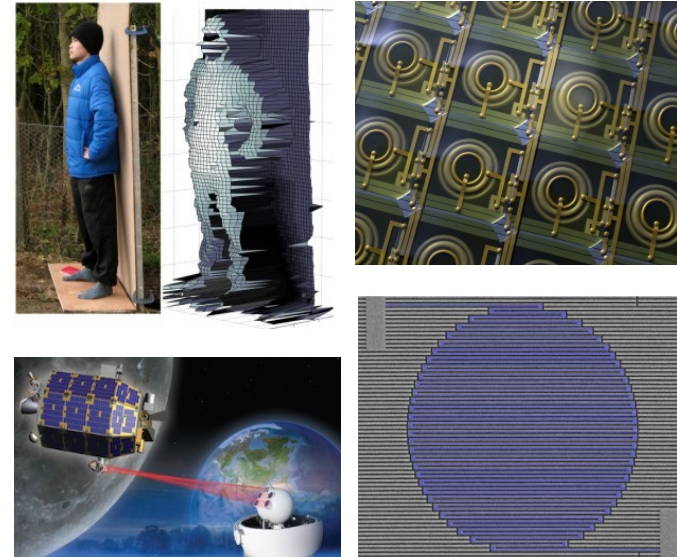
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## About Us

The Photonic Detection technical group is part of the Photonics and Opto-Electronics Division of the Optical Society. This group focuses on the detection of photons as received from images, data links, and experimental spectroscopic studies to mention a few. Within its scope, the PD technical group is involved in the design, fabrication, and testing of single and arrayed detectors.

This group focuses on materials, architectures, and readout circuitry needed to transduce photons into electrical signals and further processing. This group's interests include: (1) the integration of lens, cold shields, and readout electronics into cameras, (2) research into higher efficiency, lower noise, and/or wavelength tunability, (3) techniques to mitigate noise and clutter sources that degrade detector performance, and (4) camera design, components, and circuitry.



## Find us online

OSA Homepage

[www.osa.org/PD](http://www.osa.org/PD)

LinkedIn Group

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## Photonic Detection (PD)



This group involves the detection of photons as received from images, data links, and experimental spectroscopic studies to mention a few. Within its scope, it is involved in the design, fabrication, testing of single and arrayed detectors. Detector materials, structures, and readout circuitry needed to translate photons into electrical signals are considered by this group. Also included in this group is the integration of components such as lens, cold shields, and readout electronics into cameras. Research into higher efficiency, lower noise, and/or wavelength tunability is included here. Additionally, techniques

to mitigate noise and clutter sources that degrade detector performance are within the purview of this group. In the imaging area, camera design, componentry, and circuitry are considered.

## Announcements

If you are a member of the Photonic Detection Technical Group and have ideas for activities and initiatives to help engage this community, please [share them with the chair, Girija Gaur](#).

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View [OSA Technical Group webinars](#) on-demand at any time or register for any of our upcoming webinars [online](#). Each webinar is an hour long and features a technical presentation on a topic selected by your OSA Technical Groups.

## Webinar on Computational Deep Learning Microscopy

**Time:** 2:00pm - 3:00pm EDT, Thursday 21 March 2019



Register today for this free webinar hosted by the Photonic Detection Technical Group. Dr. Yair Rivenson will provide attendees with an overview of how the rapidly developing field of deep learning is impacting biomedical imaging and simplifying diagnostic workflows. The presentation will be of interest to researchers interested in the cross-disciplinary fields of deep learning, photonic detection and biomedical optics including spectroscopy, holography, OCT, diffractive optics, tissue imaging, and bio-optics. The live webinar will be recorded for future viewing on demand. [Register Now >>](#)

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## Work in Optics

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Fri, 09 Aug 2019 17:30:45 -0400



## Technical Group Activities

- **Special Sessions** at OSA conferences such as CLEO and OFC.
- **~4 Webinars** for this year!
- Interactions with local sections and student chapters.
- Interactive community for bringing together researchers across interdisciplinary fields for tackling advances in photonic detection technologies.
- Example: Panel discussion on ***Silicon Photonics for LiDAR and Other Applications*** at OFC 2019 which had great turn-out and a lot of interest!



# Bending, Trapping and Slowing Down Light Beams

## for highly-efficient and ultra-fast photodetection

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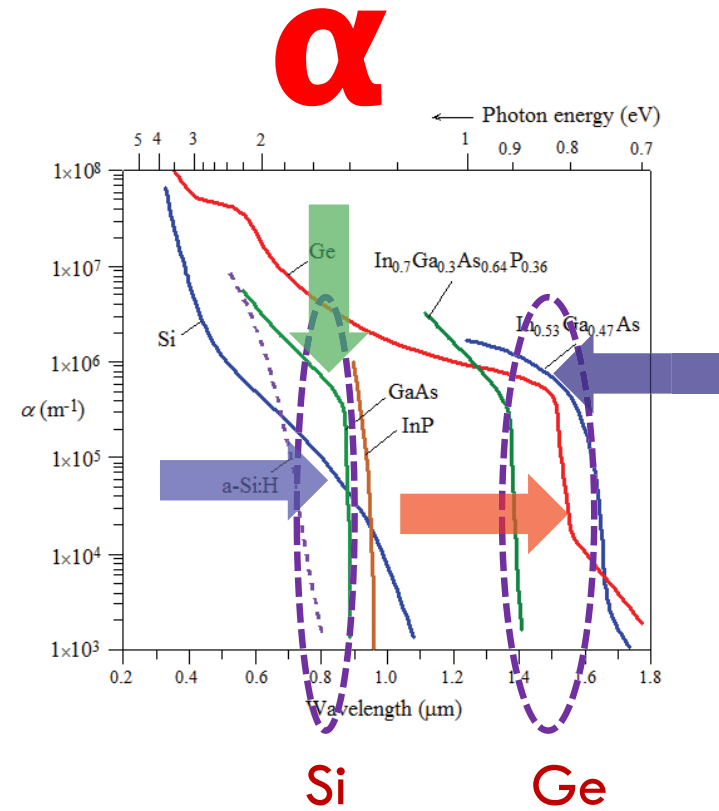
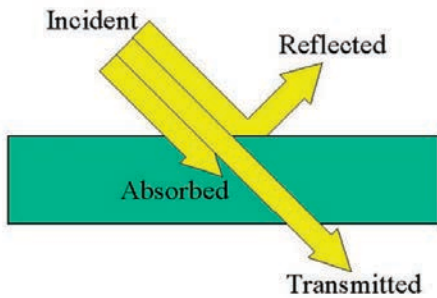
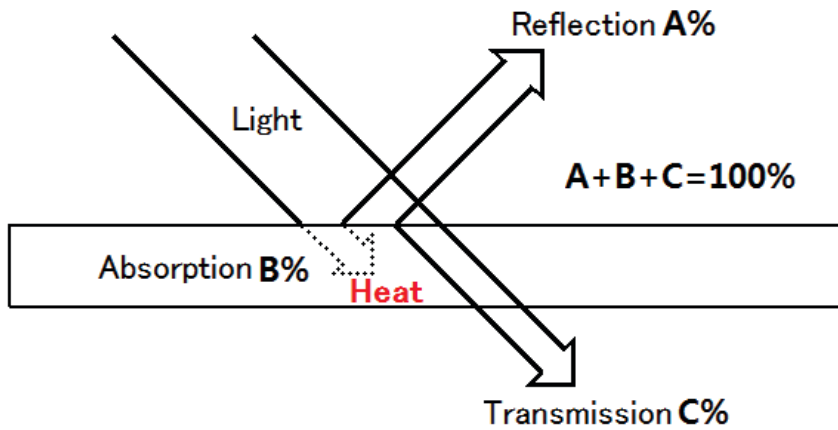


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# Outline

- How to make materials absorb more light than their natural limits
- Explore device applications
  - Detectors, sensors
  - Energy harvesting devices
- System level opportunities and CMOS integration

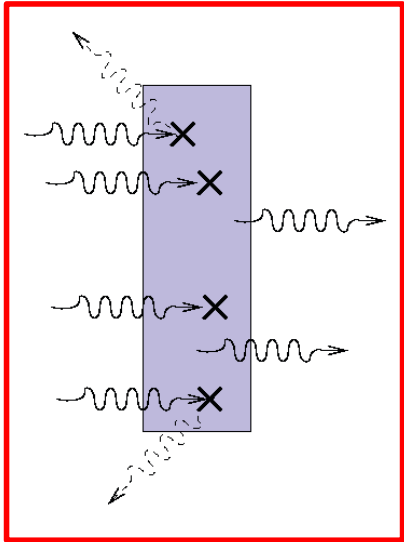
# Light-Material Interaction



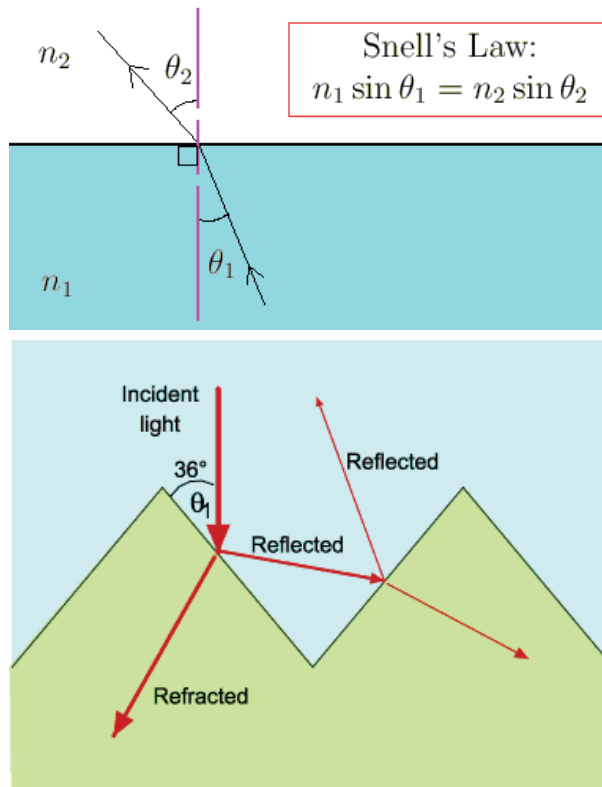


# Surface Texturing for Light Trapping & AR

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$\alpha_{enhanced}$



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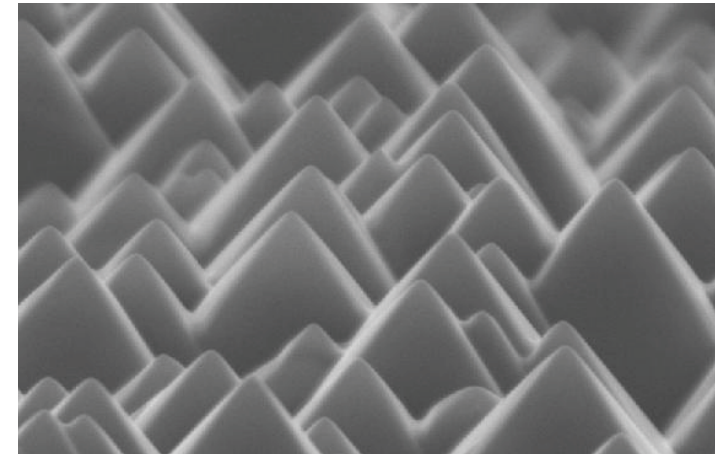


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300 IEEE TRANSACTIONS ON ELECTRON DEVICES, VOL. ED-29, NO. 2, FEBRUARY 1982  
**Intensity Enhancement in Textured Optical Sheets for Solar Cells**

ELI YABLONOVITCH AND GEORGE D. CODY

*Abstract*—We adopt a statistical mechanical approach toward the optics of textured and inhomogeneous optical sheets. As a general rule, the local light intensity in such a medium will tend to be  $2n^2(x)$  times greater than the externally incident light intensity, where  $n(x)$  is the local index of refraction in the sheet. This enhancement can contribute toward a  $4n^2(x)$  increase in the effective absorption of indirect-gap semiconductors like crystalline silicon.

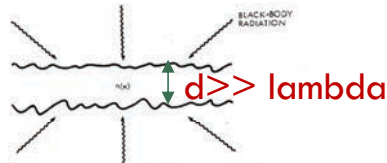
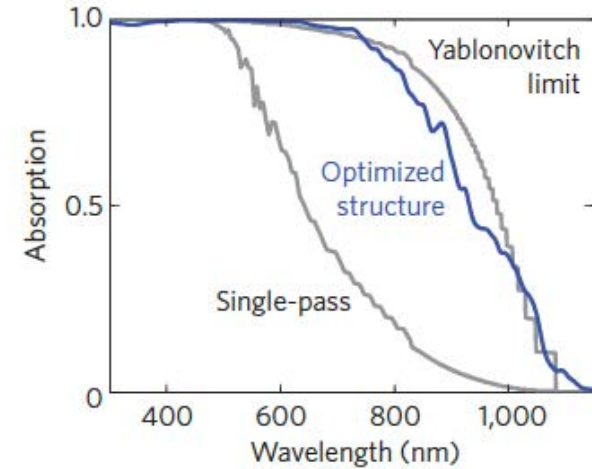


Fig. 1. An inhomogeneous and textured optical sheet with position-dependent index of refraction  $n(x)$  immersed in black-body radiation.

I. INTRODUCTION

IN THE PAST DECADE, there have been a number of suggestions for the use of light trapping by total internal reflection to increase the effective absorption in the indirect-gap

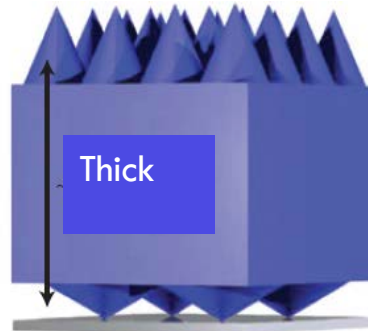


Wang, Fan and et. al *Nano Lett*, 2012

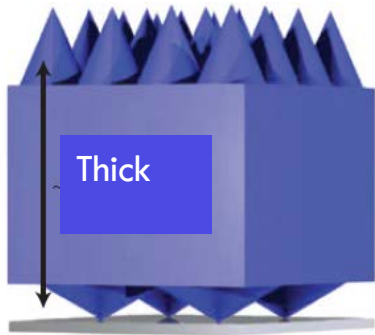
Blackbody radiation argument that is directly related to the modal structure of the solar cell

Single-pass absorption:  $A = 1 - e^{-\alpha d} \approx \alpha d$

Total absorption:  $\frac{\alpha d}{\alpha d + \frac{1}{4n^2}}$



Enhancement in absorption coefficient:  $4n^2$

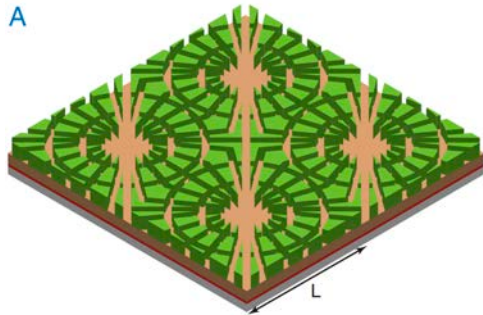
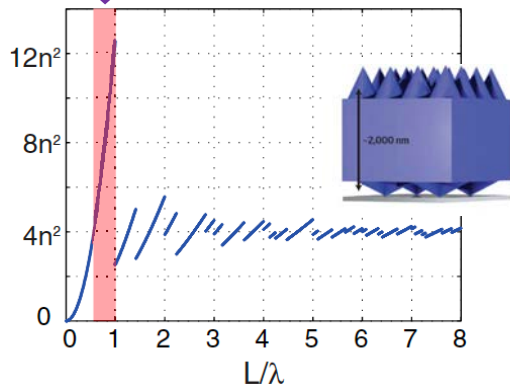
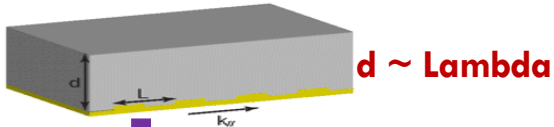


Enhancement in  
absorption coefficient:  $4n^2$

$$\alpha_{enhanced} = \alpha \times 4n^2$$

# Fundamental limit of nanophotonic light trapping in solar cells

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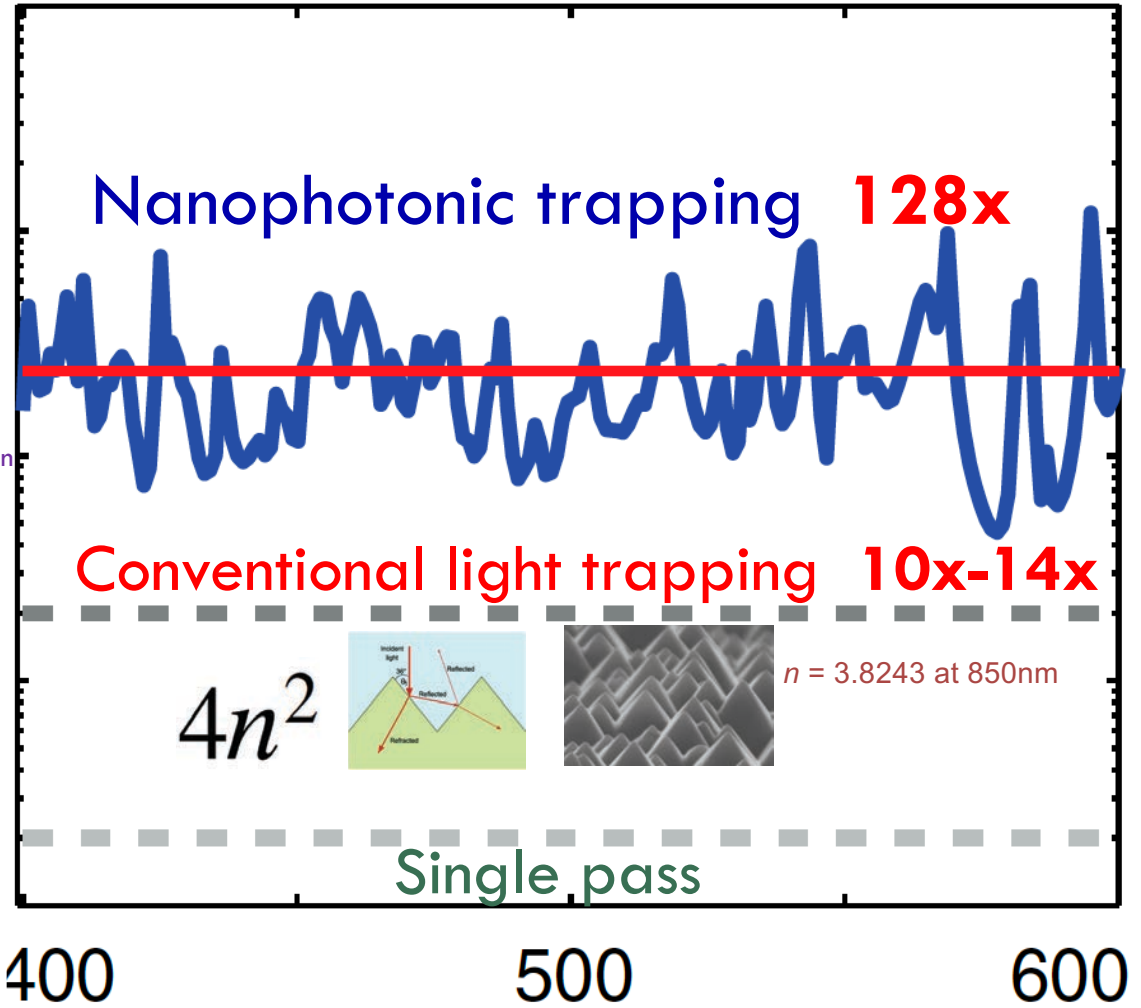


- Scattering layer  $\epsilon=12.5$
- Cladding layer  $\epsilon=12.5$
- Active layer  $\epsilon=2.5$
- Mirror

PNAS | 2010 | vol107 | no. 41 | p17491

Saif Islam, University of California, Davis

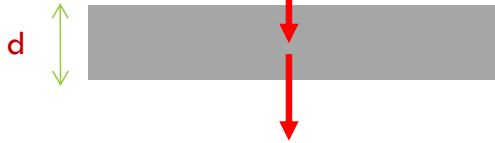
Enhancement  
 in  $\alpha$





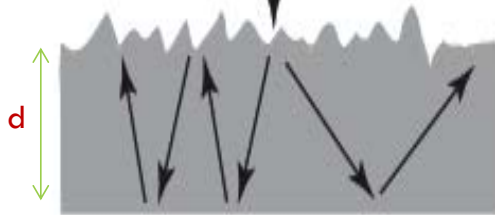
# Enhancing Light-Material Interaction

Single pass



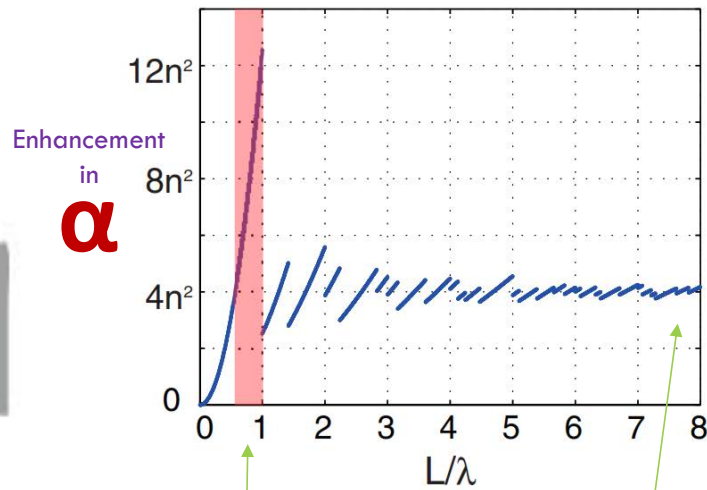
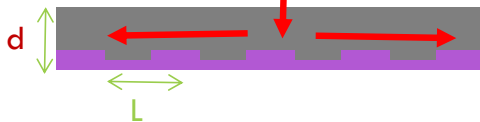
Conventional light trapping

$d \gg \lambda$

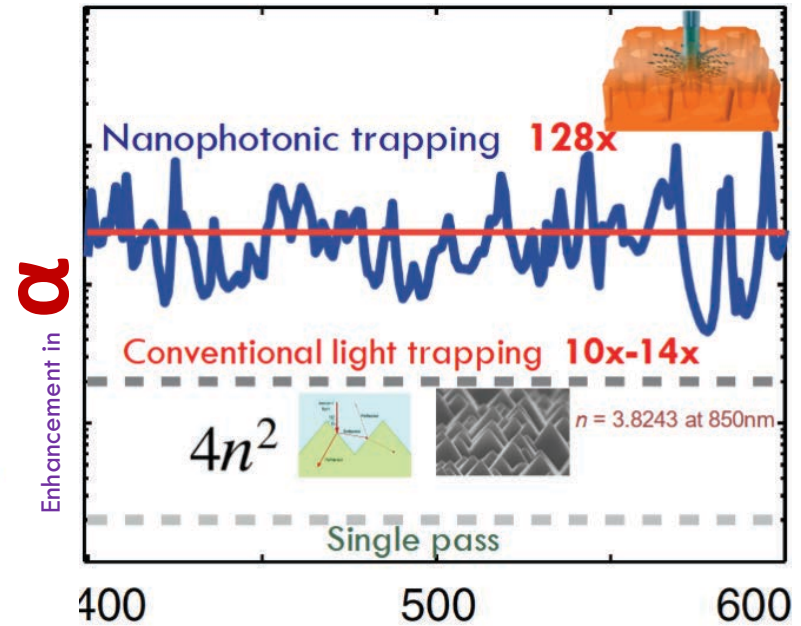


Nanophotonic light trapping

$d \sim \lambda$



Yablonovitch Limit



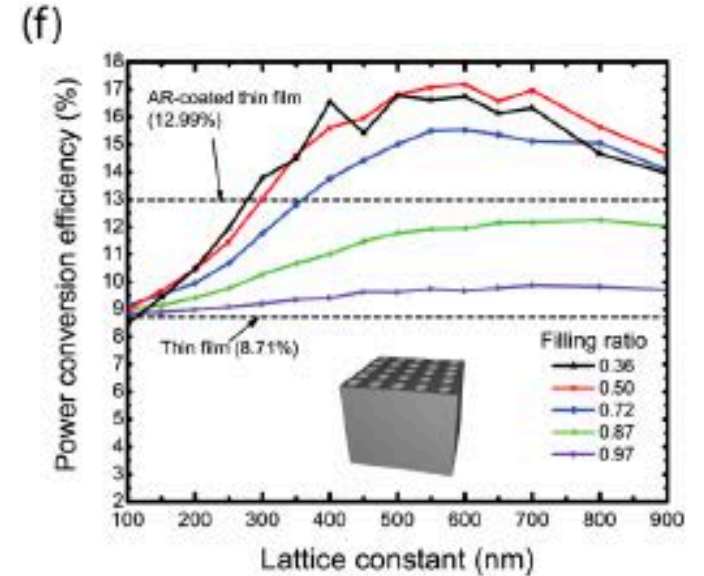
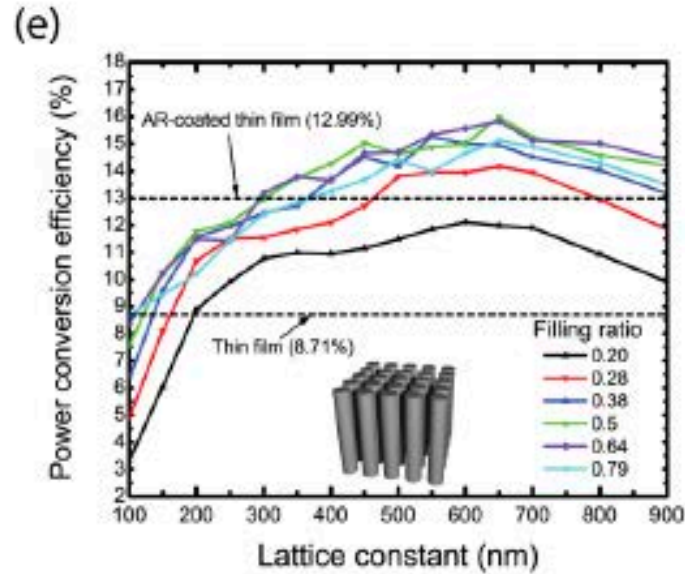
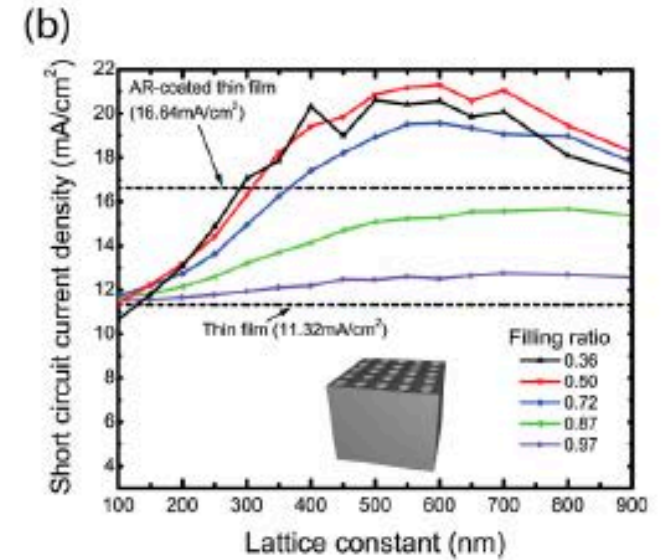
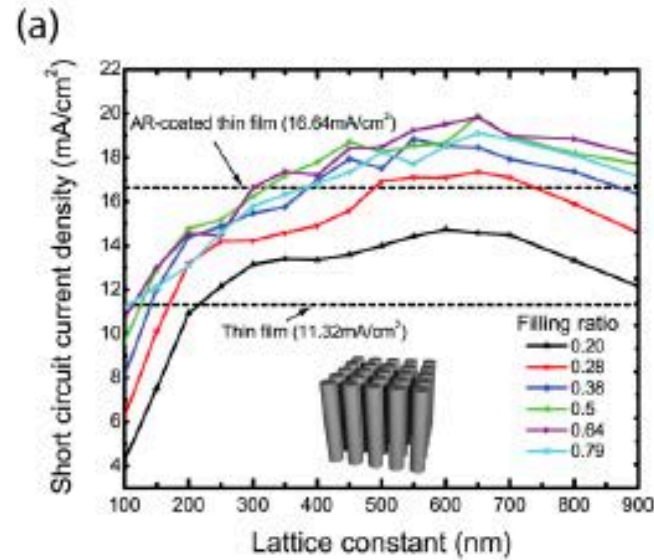
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## Experimental broadband absorption enhancement in silicon nanohole structures w optimized complex unit cells

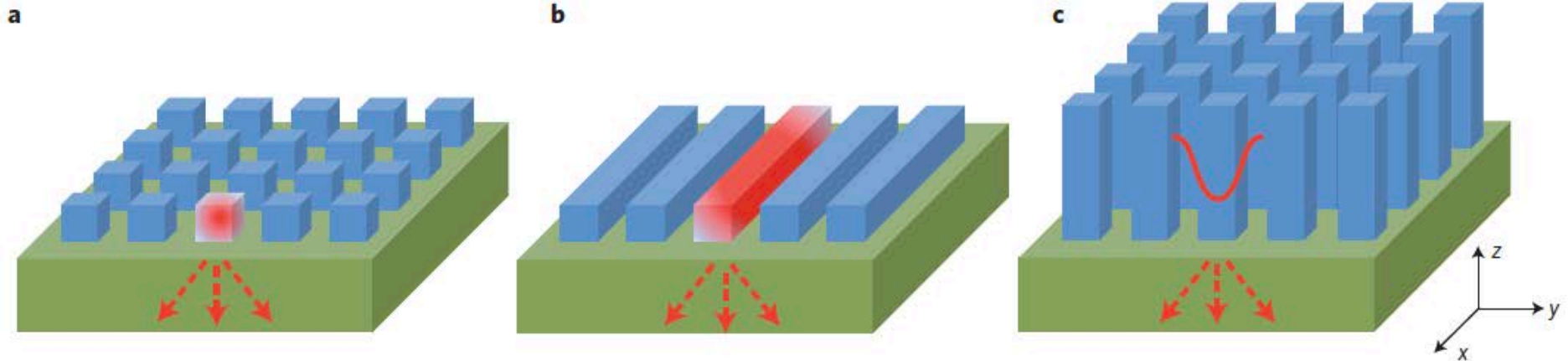
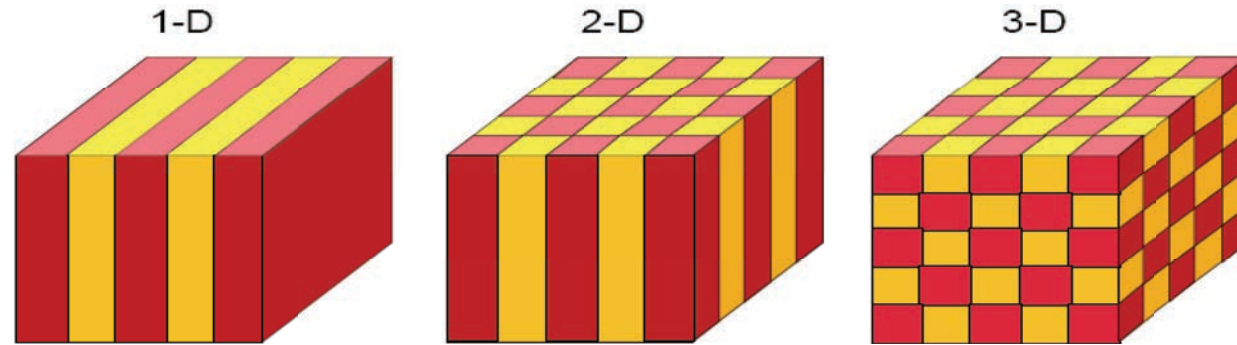
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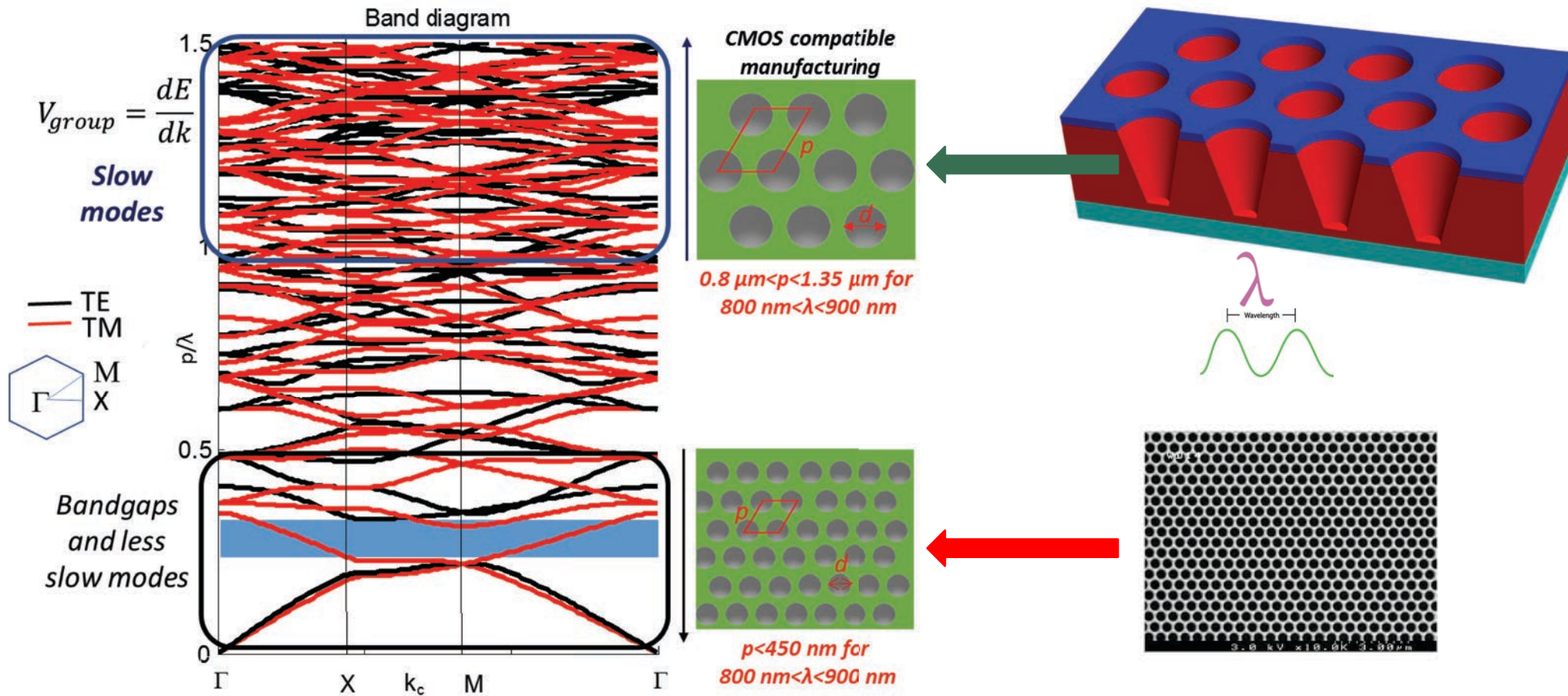
# light-trapping Structures



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# Slow Light and Guided Modes





# Wave Optics Light Trapping Theory: Mathematical Justification and Ultimate Limit on Enhancement

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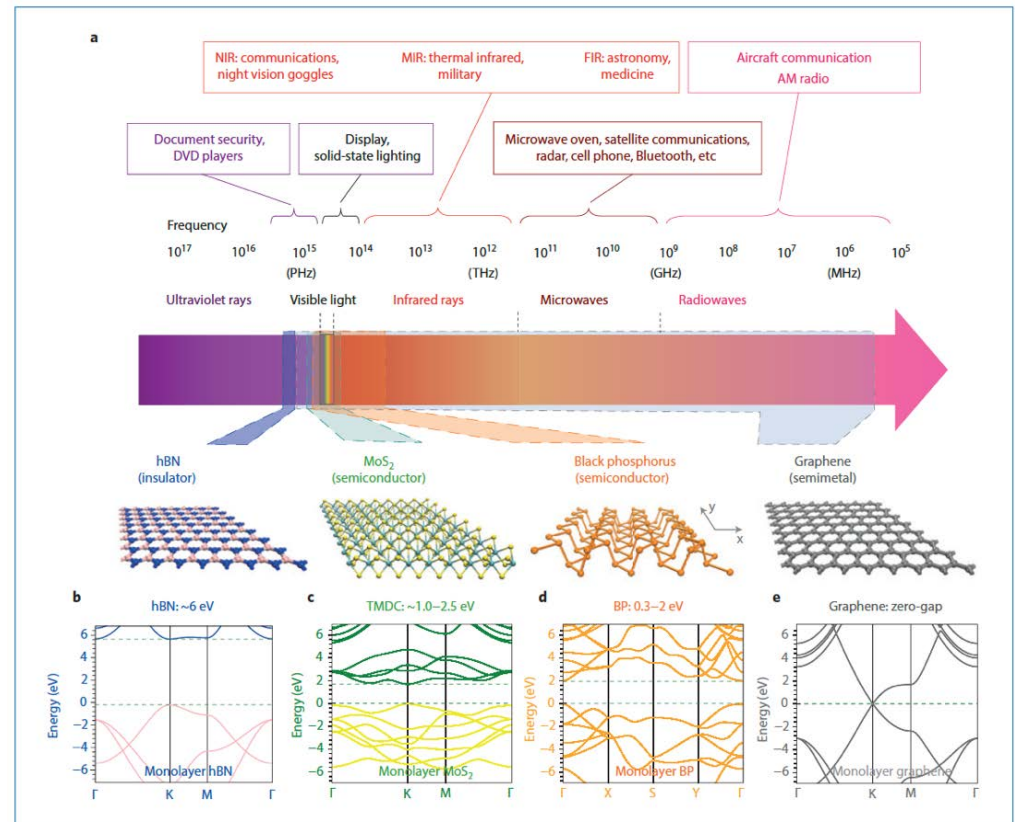
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# Why Photons Need to be Trapped?

- Reduce **cost** for less abundant materials
- Improve **cell efficiency** with thin film (inhibit recombination)
- Using thinner absorbers in **organic solar cells** given their short exciton diffusion lengths of about 3 – 10 nm
- Higher **open circuit voltage**
- **2D materials** for photonics

# Opportunity: 2D Materials Photonics

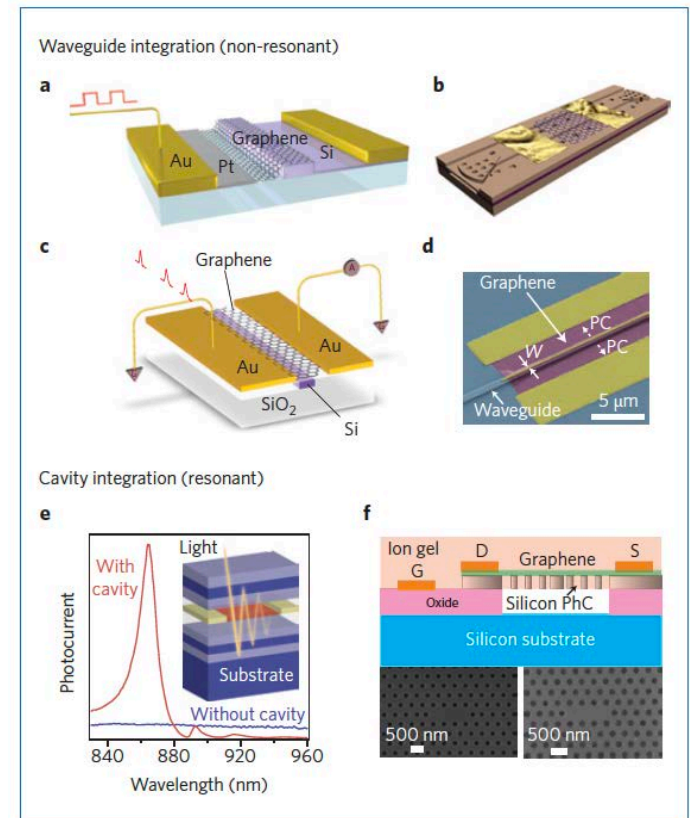
- Broad spectrum from the far IR all the way to the UV
- Photo carrier lifetime is  $\sim$ ps
- Graphene absorbs  $\sim$ 2% of the incident light over  $\alpha$



# Challenge: Enhancing Absorption in 2D Materials

- Strongly localized incident light to graphene through **plasmon excitation** (energy loss in metals)
- Placing materials on **waveguides**
- Fabry-Pérot **microcavity**
- 2D PC **defect cavities**
- Dielectric **gratings**

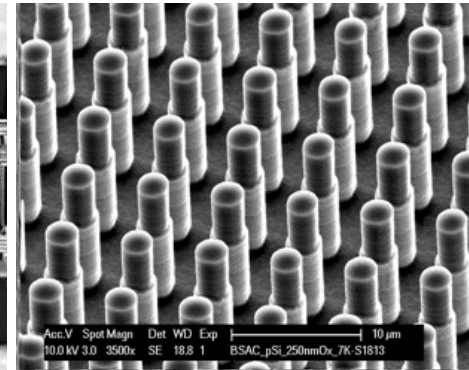
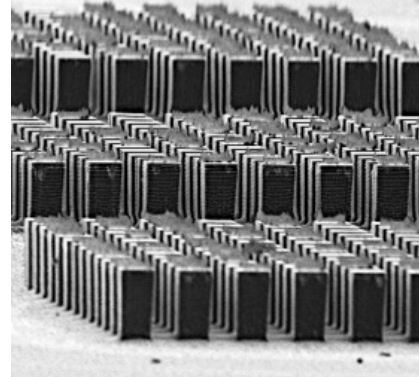
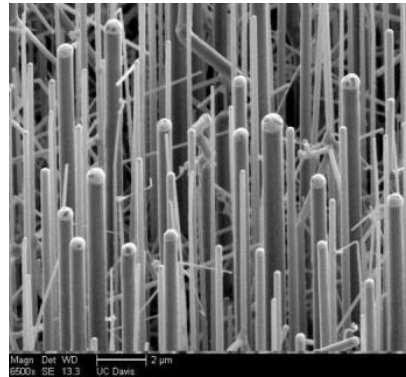
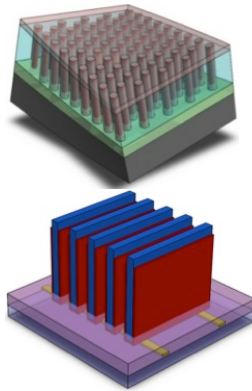
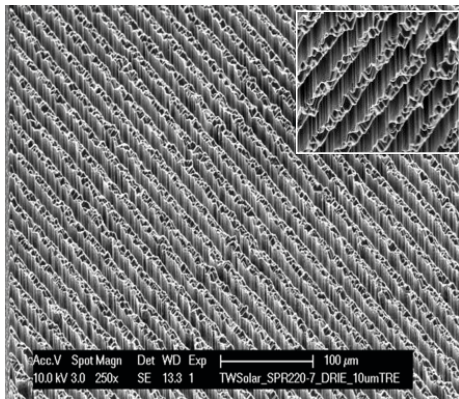
At specific frequencies only



Ramasubramaniam, 2014

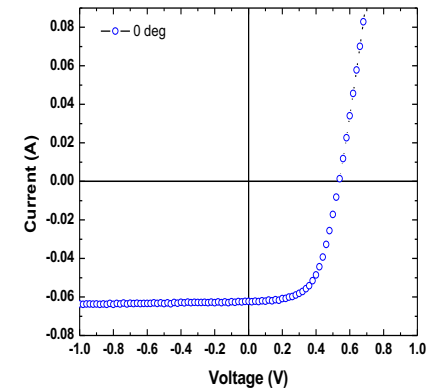
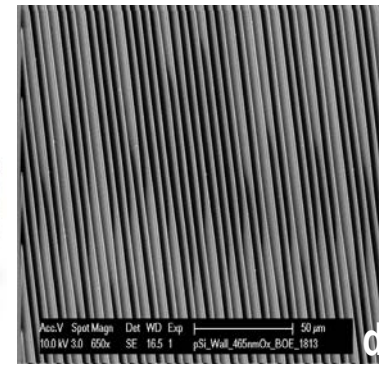
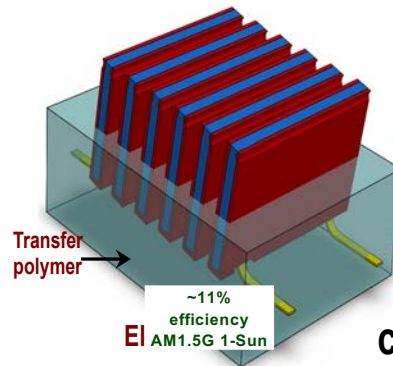
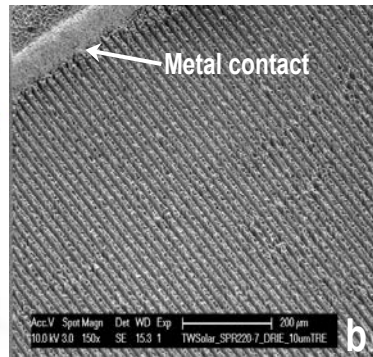
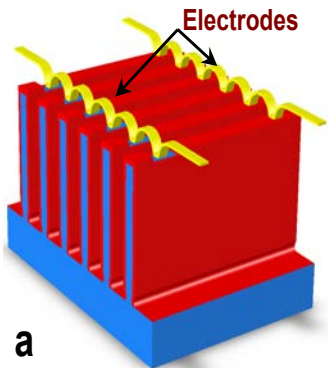


# Micro/nano Wall (1D) and Pillars (2D) Enabled Diffraction for Light Trapping



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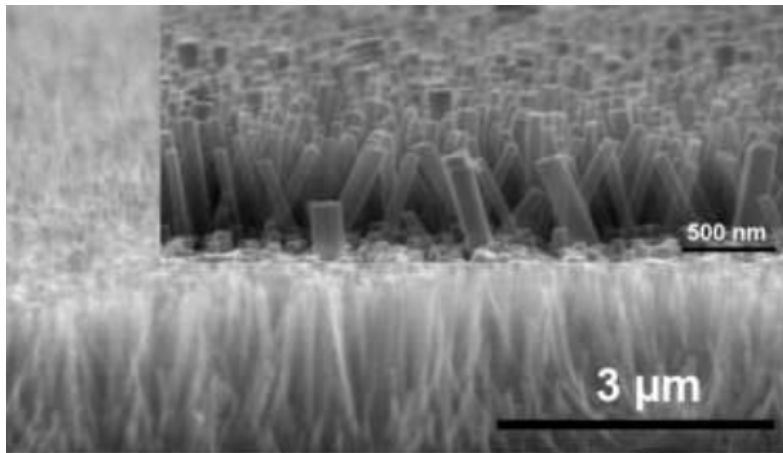
# 1D Periodic Diffraction: Micro/nano Wall Based PVs



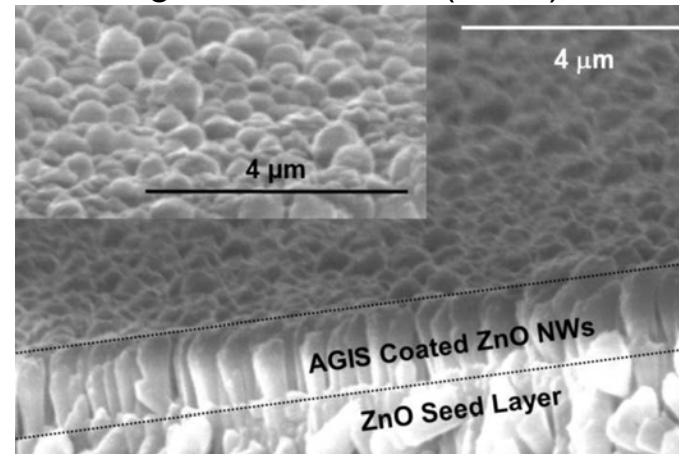
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# ZnO Nanowire Based PVs

ZnO Nanowires



ZnO Nanowires coated with  
AgGa<sub>0.5</sub>In<sub>0.5</sub>Se<sub>2</sub> (AGIS)



- Grow n-ZnO on anything
- Coat it with p-Chalcopyrite to form a junction  
(AgGa<sub>0.5</sub>In<sub>0.5</sub>Se<sub>2</sub> - AIGS/CIGS)

Islam, Materials Chemistry and Physics, 2013

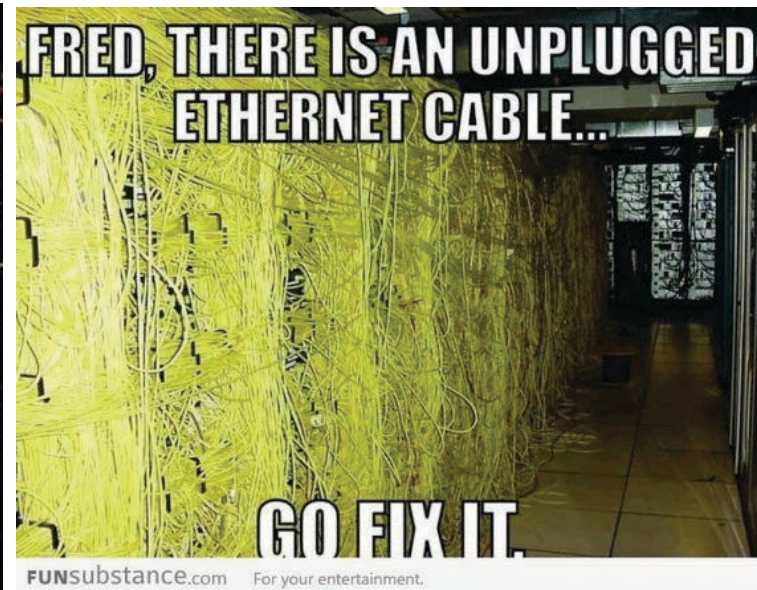
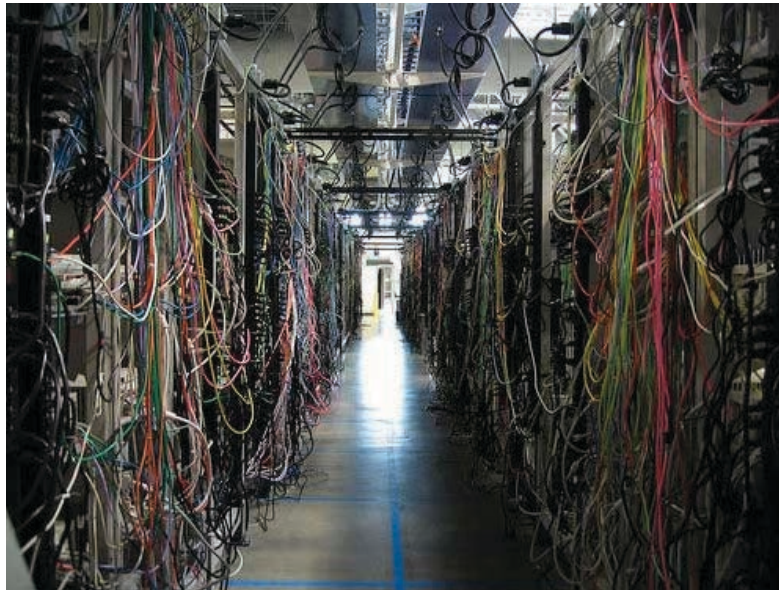


# Highly-efficient and ultra-fast photodetection



## Data Center Cable Hell

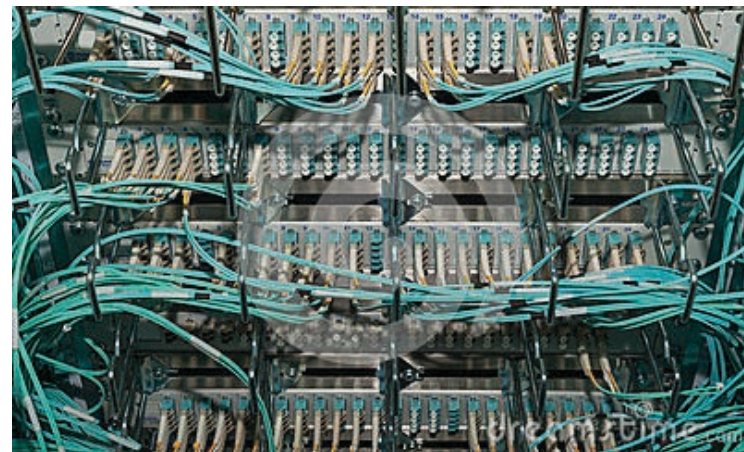
- 1 channel/cable
- Short distance and signal needs to be amplified



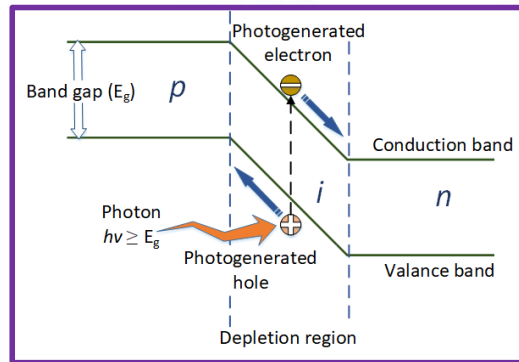
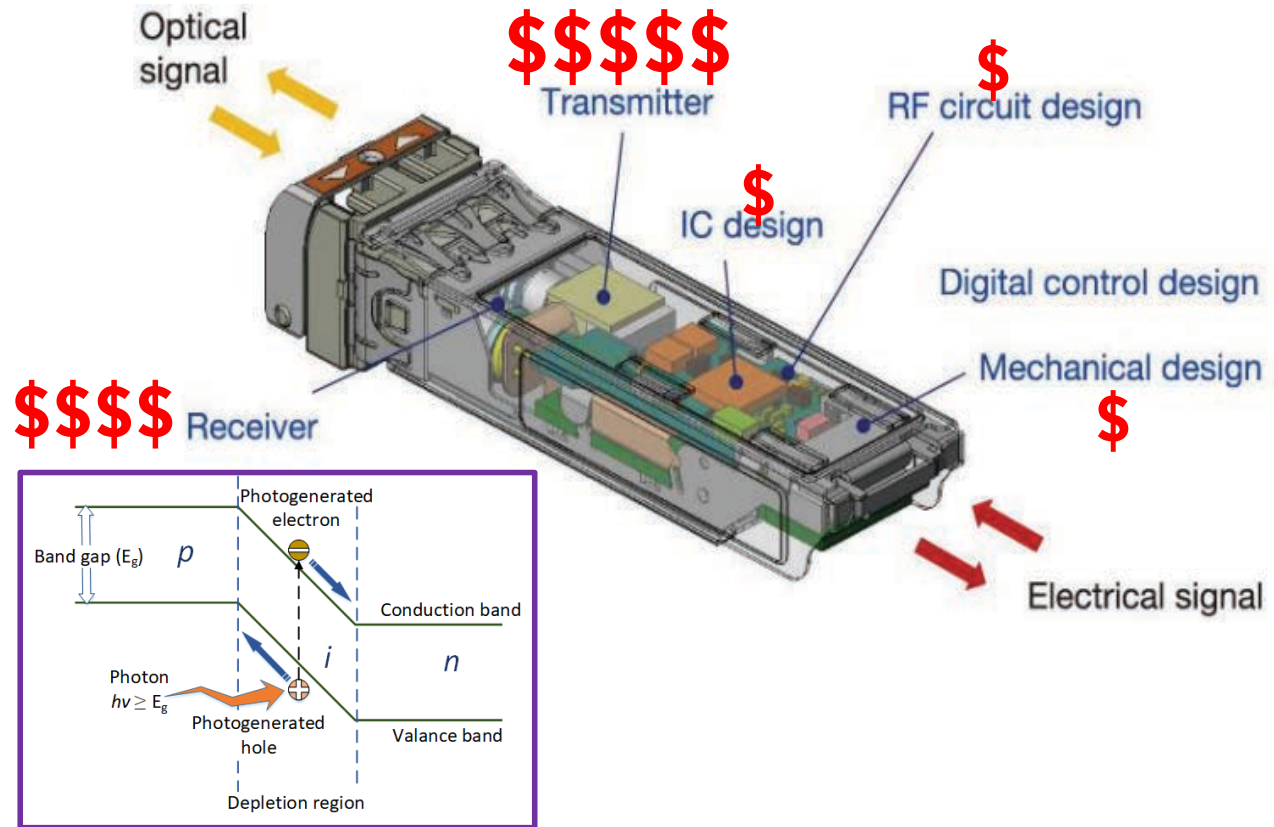
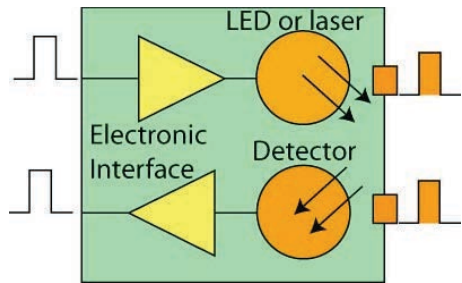


# Optical Network Paradise







- Many channels per cable
- Higher speed 100+ Gbps
- Few meters to 10s of Km



# Fiber Optic Transceivers

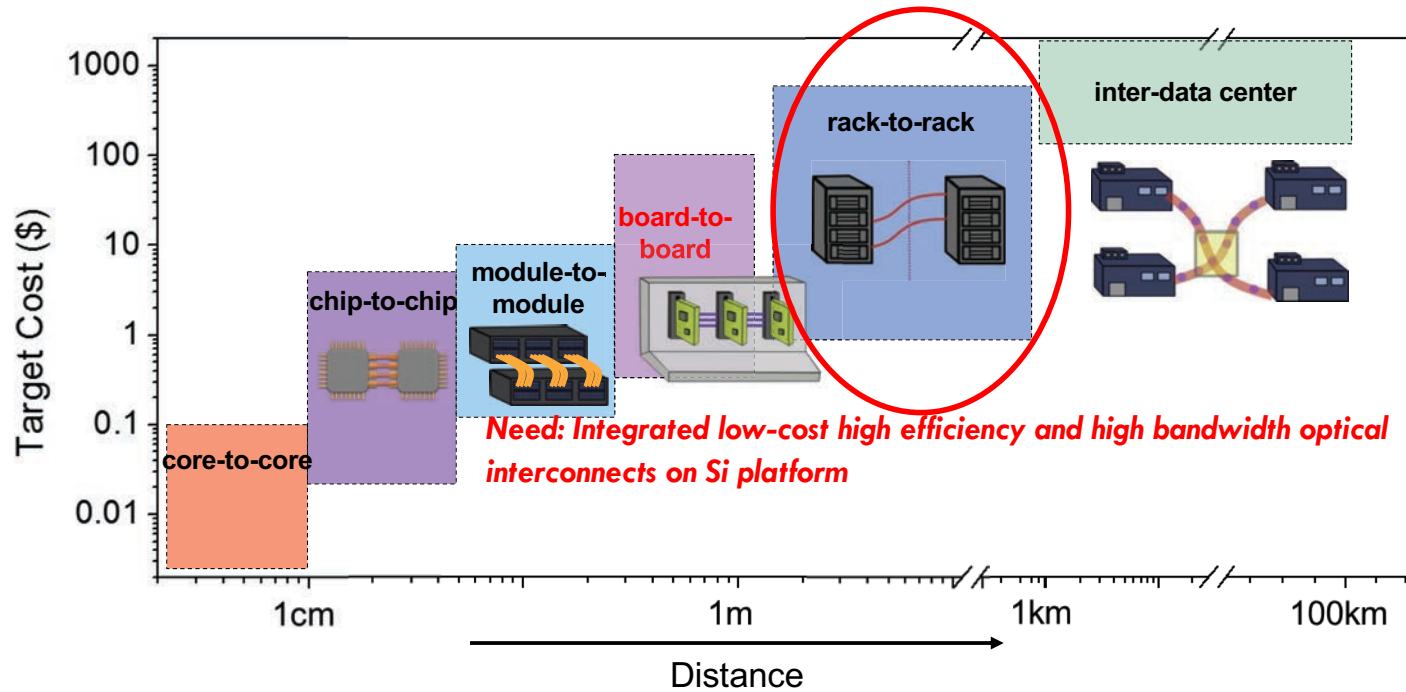


# 100 Gbps Fiber Cables

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	<a href="#">AFBR-89CEDZ-ND</a>	<a href="#">AFBR-89CEDZ</a>	<a href="#">Foxconn Optical Interconnect Technologies, Inc.</a>	TXRX QSFP28 100GBPS 850NM	0 Standard Lead Time 8 Weeks	\$775.00000	10 Non-Stock	-	Active	100Gbps	850nm
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	<a href="#">516-3086-ND</a>	<a href="#">AFBR-8420Z</a>	<a href="#">Foxconn Optical Interconnect Technologies, Inc.</a>	100G CFP2 SR10 TRANCEIVER MODULE	0	\$1,875.00000	-	-	Not For New Designs	10.3125Gbps	850nm
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# Current and Target Cost: Gbps Data



Current market is dominated by **GaAs/InGaAs** photodetectors

Target: To reduce cost from 10s of dollars/Gbps to 1 dollar/Gbps and even to \$0.5/Gbps

Refs:

Kachris, K. Kanonakis, and I. Tomkos, "Optical interconnection networks in data centers: Recent trends and future challenges," *IEEE Communications Magazine*, vol. 51, pp. 39-45, 2013

E. Agrell, M. Karlsson, A. Chraplyvy, D. J. Richardson, P. M. Krummrich, P. Winzer, et al., "Roadmap of optical communications," *Journal of Optics*, vol. 18, p. 063002, 2016

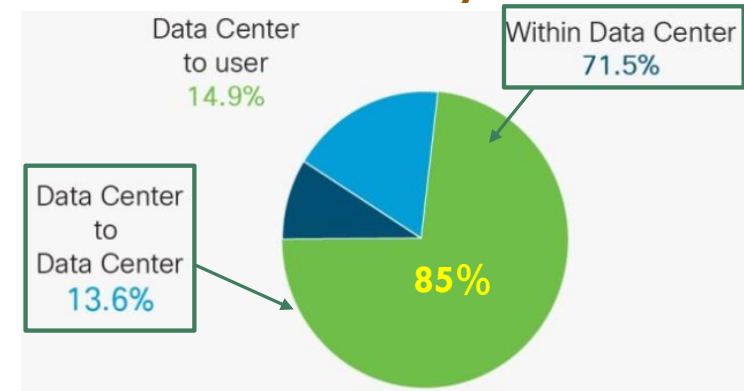
# Global traffic in datacenters

- 2 folds growth in 3 years
- 3 folds growth in 5 years (forecast)



Global datacenters' traffic growth (CISCO 2018)

## Global data traffic by destination





# Unprecedented pace of big data growth

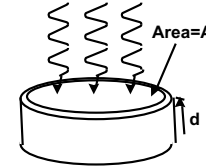
- 90% of the world's data has been created in the last **2** years alone.
- Most companies only analyze 12% of the data they have.
- By 2020, there will be more than 50 billion smart connected devices in the world, collecting, analyzing and sharing data.
- Bad data costs the US \$3.1 Trillion annually.
- AI's impact on marketing is growing, predicted to reach nearly \$40 billion by 2025.
- IoT will save consumers and businesses \$1 trillion a year by 2022.

# Evolution of Broadband High Power Photodetectors

**Paradigm shift:**  
High-speed photodetectors with **large absorption volume** are desired

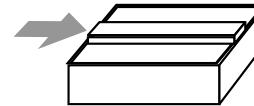
**Surface-illuminated Photodetector (SIPD)**

Limited frequency-efficiency product



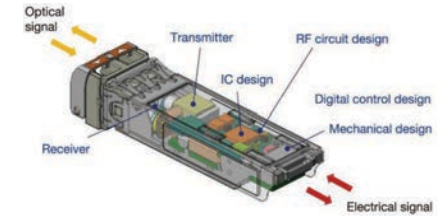
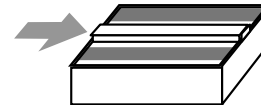
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Limited by RC

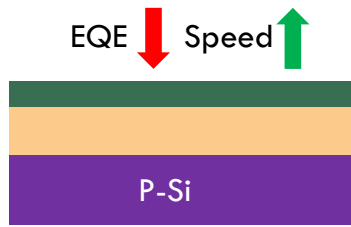


**Traveling Wave Photodetector (TWPD)**

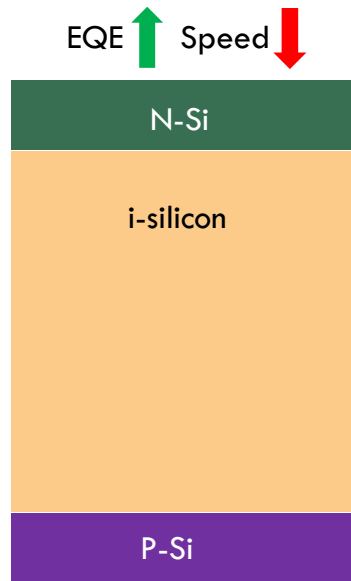
Limited by velocity mismatch



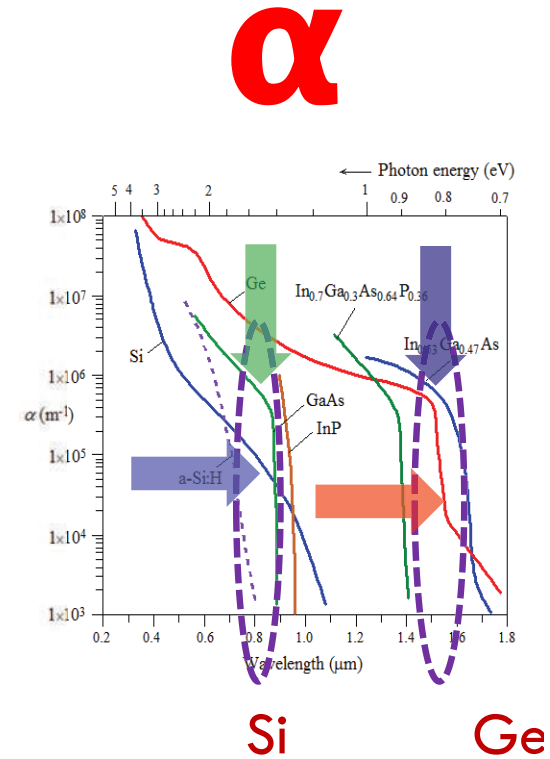
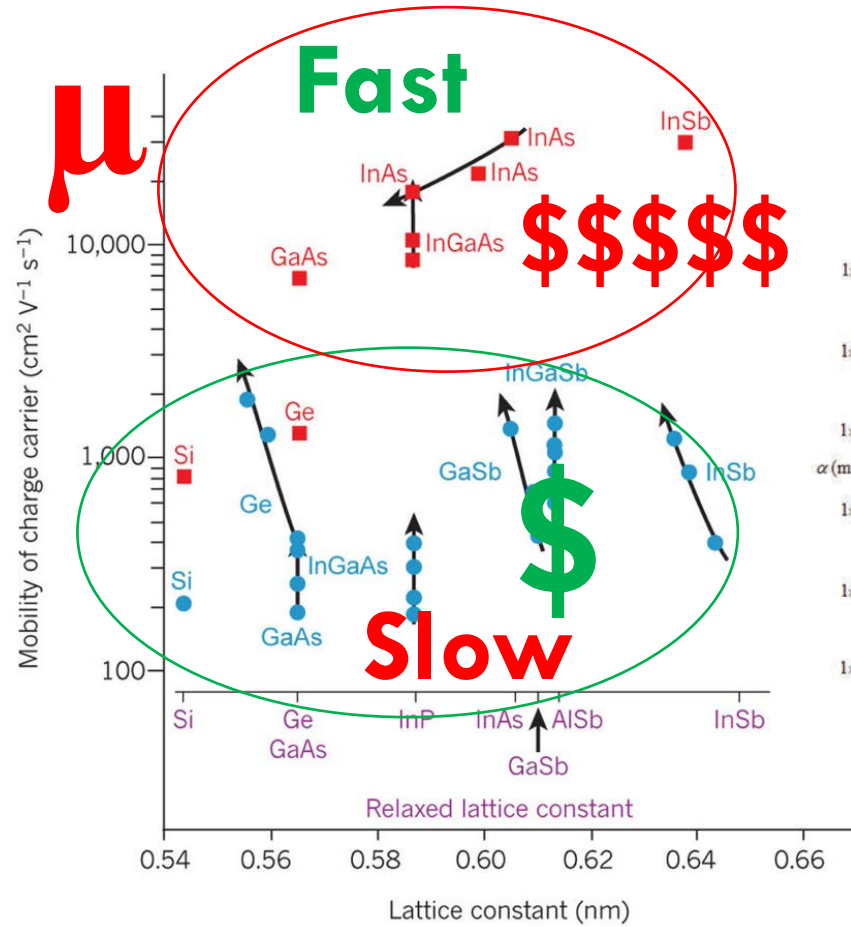
# Photodiodes: Speed & Efficiency



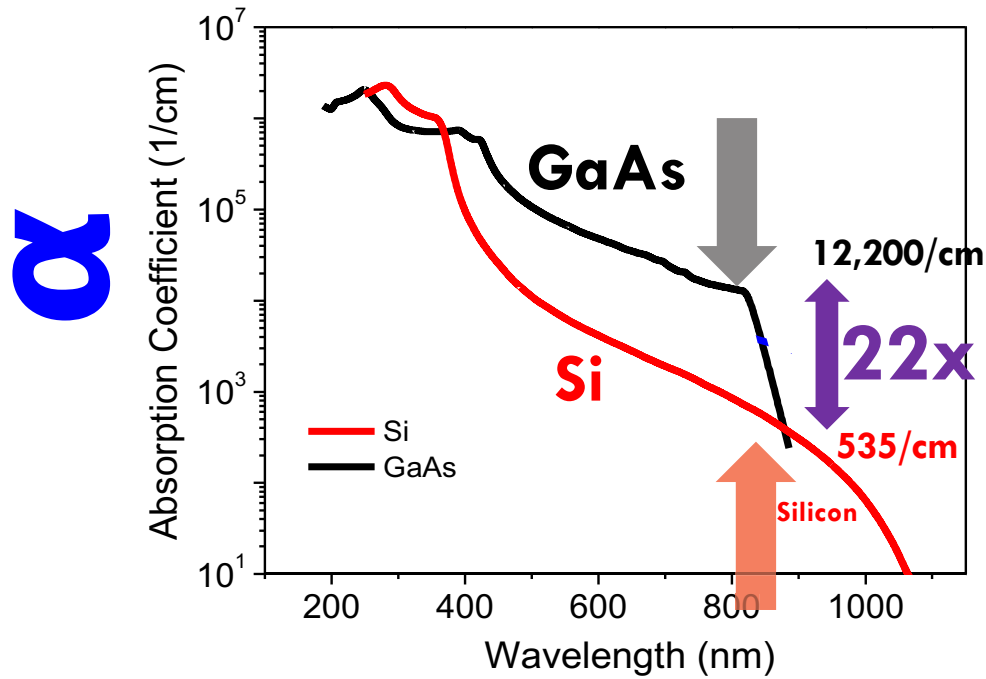
Fast Detector



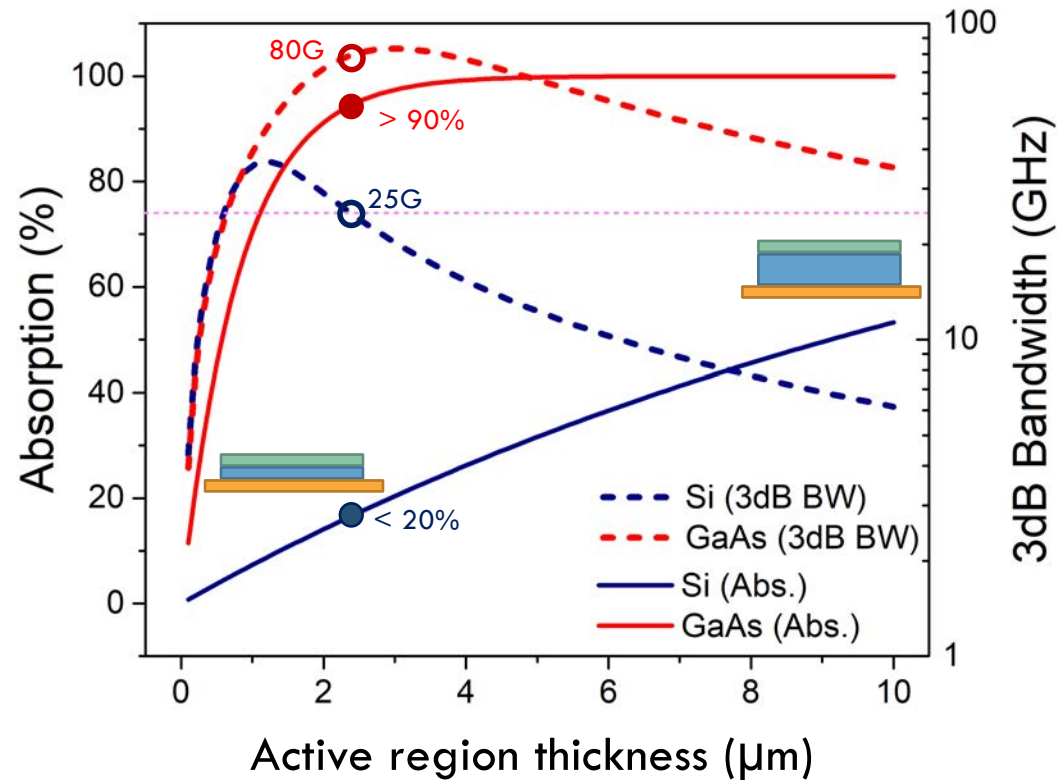
Slow Detector



## Silicon is a weak absorber close to band edge



# High-speed and High-efficiency trade-off



Optical absorption:

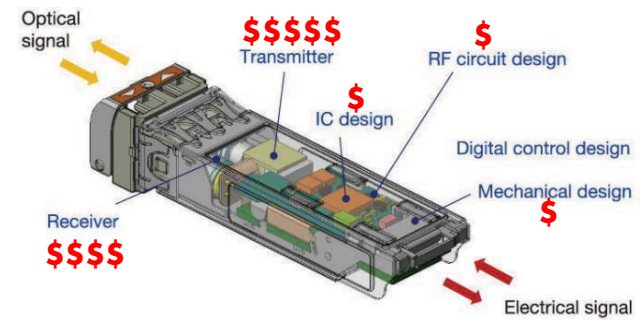
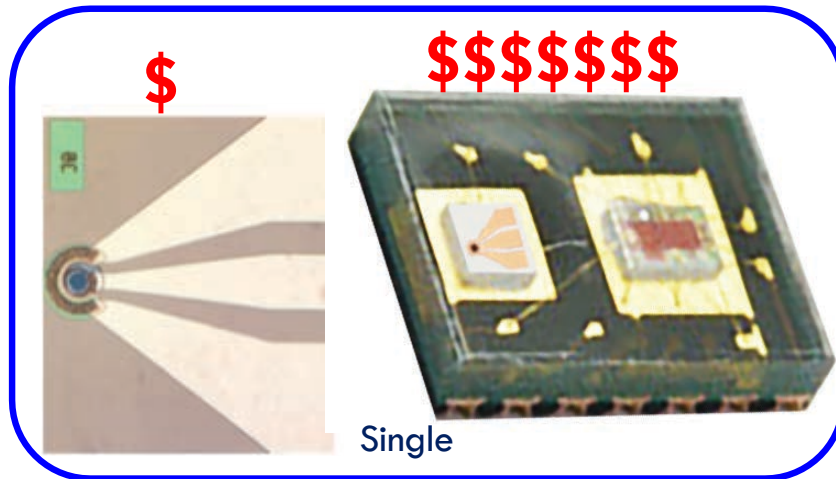
$$\eta = 1 - \exp(-ad)$$

Photodiode 3dB bandwidth:

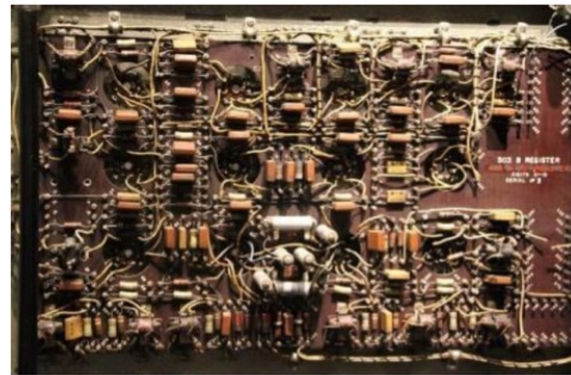
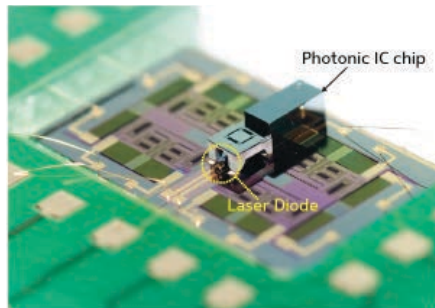
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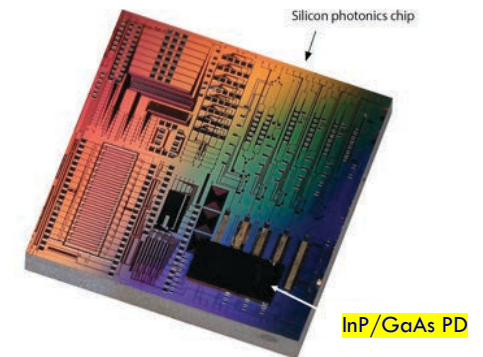
# Fiber Optic Transceiver: **Integration Challenge**



# Hybrid Integration on Silicon



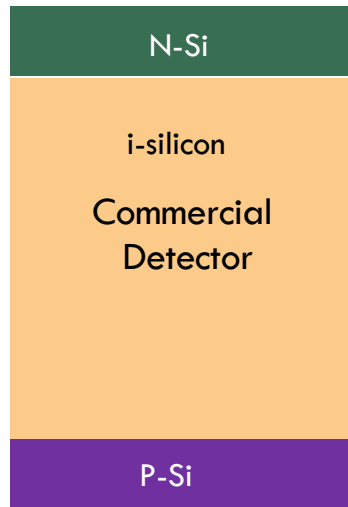
Whirlwind, MIT, 1952



**1 mm<sup>2</sup> of processes Intel chip: \$0.03**  
**→ each PD/LD will be \$0.0003**

# What is the solution?

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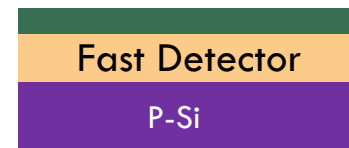


Increase absorption in Si  $\alpha$

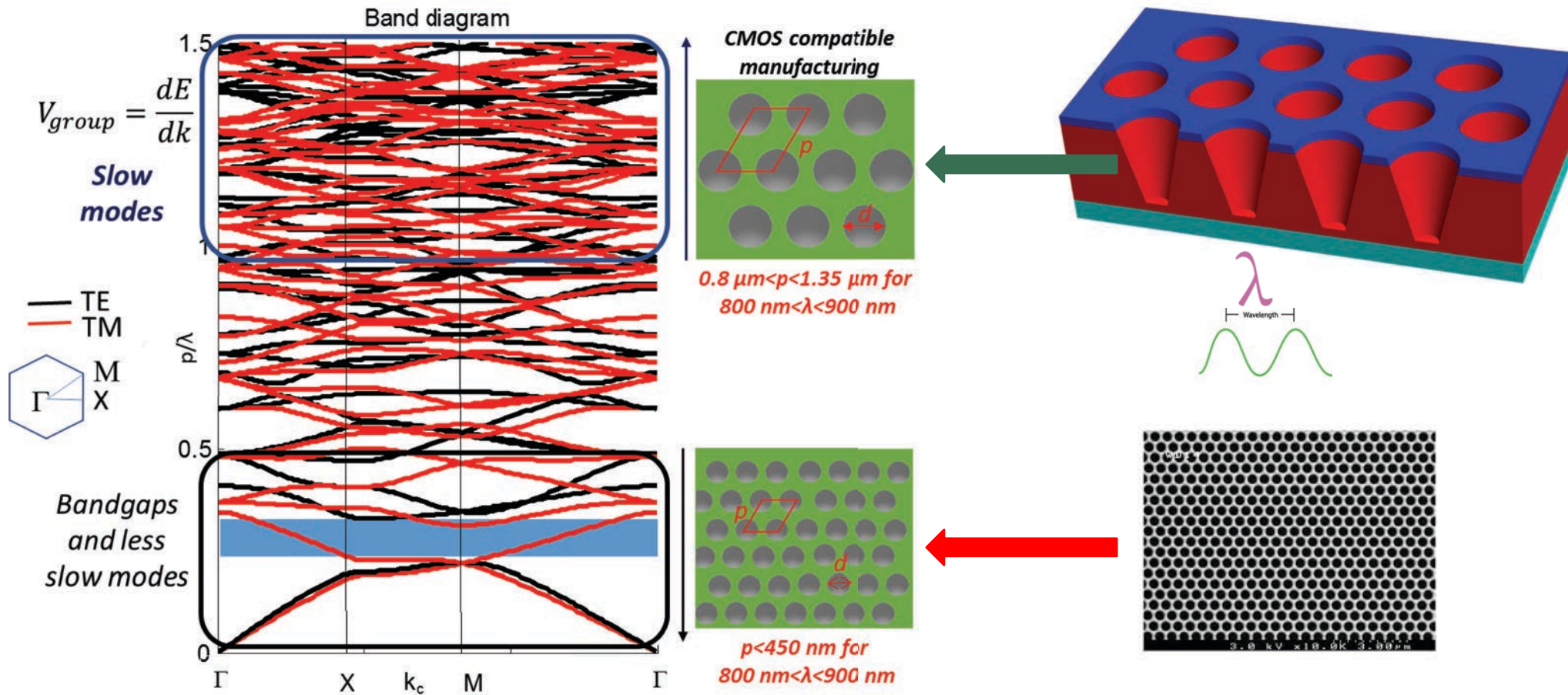
Make silicon faster  $\mu$



EQE  $\downarrow$  Speed  $\uparrow$



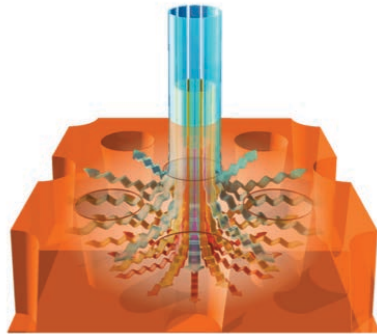
# Slow Light and Guided Modes



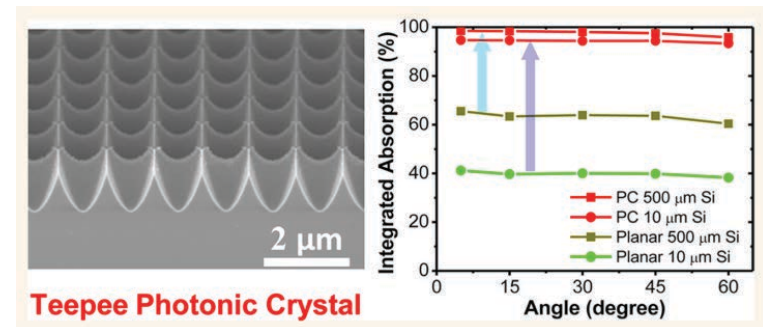


## Innovative Approach: Parallel-to-interface Refractive Modes

- Photonic crystals (PC) enable flat absorption by exciting **parallel-to-interface refractive (PIR) modes**
- Light incident at **nearly normal incidence** is refracted into PC modes propagating **nearly parallel to the air-PC interface**
- PIR modes enables **light trapping and harvesting**
- PIR modes have **a long lifetime and slow group velocity inside the PC**. This increases the interaction time between light and materials.



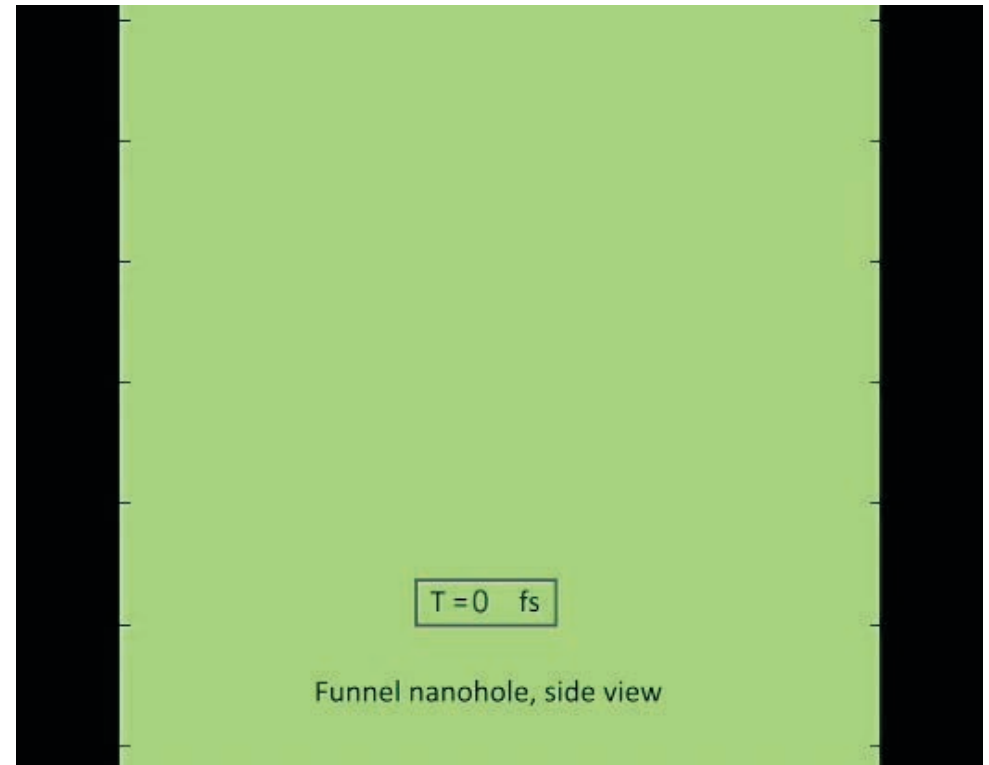
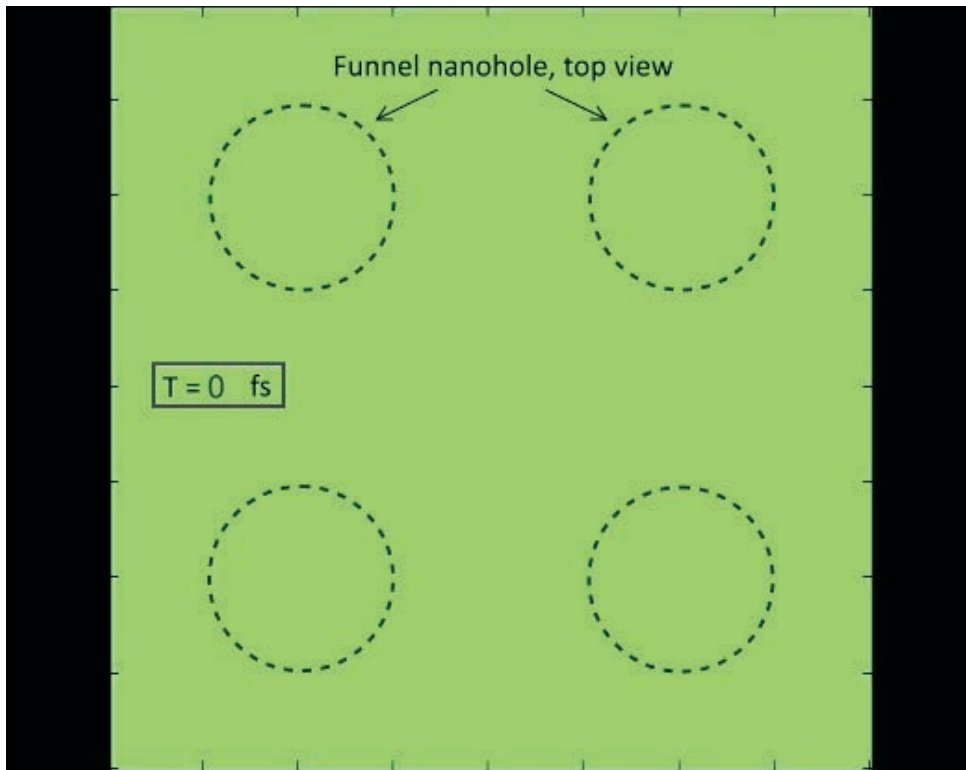
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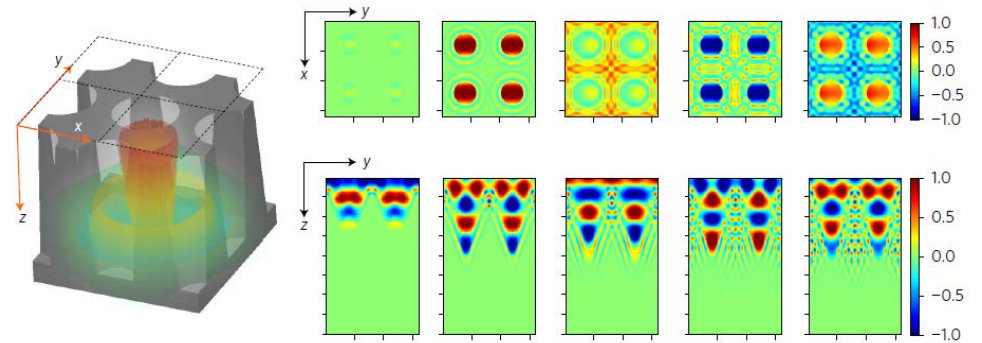
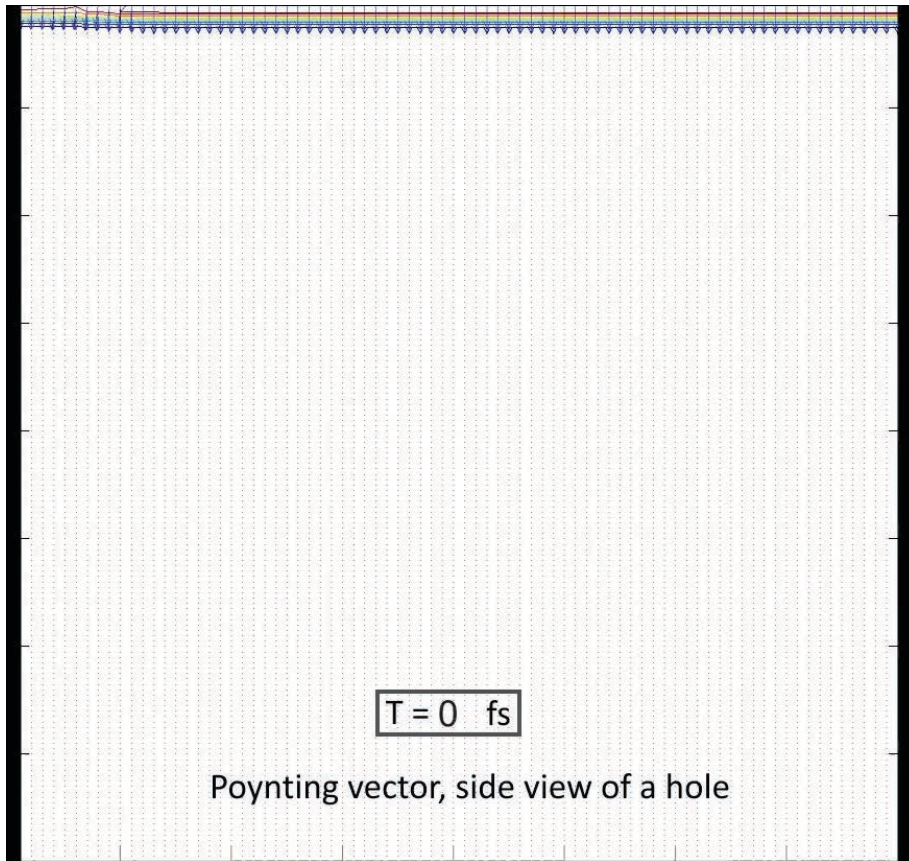


# Light Bending & Trapping

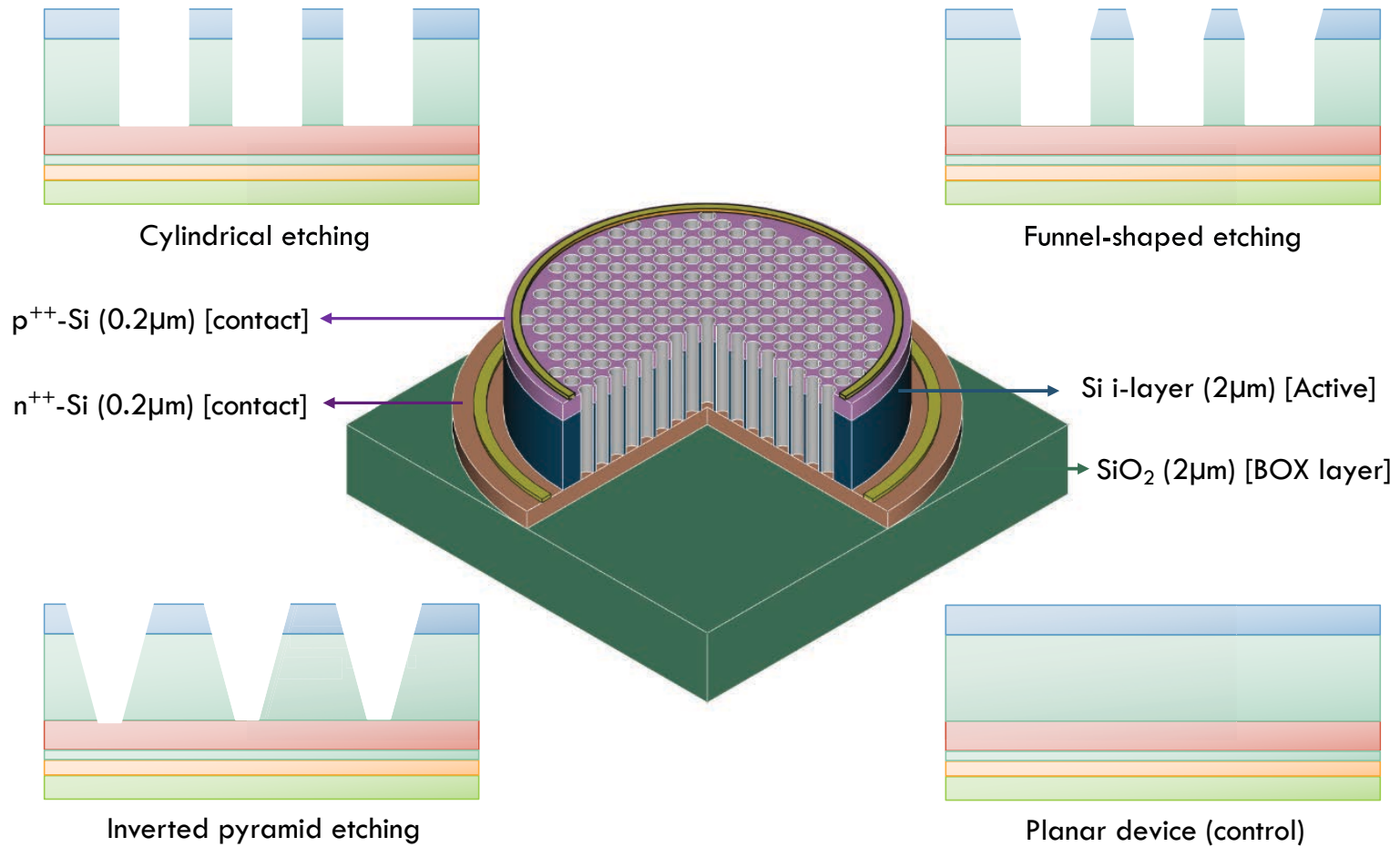


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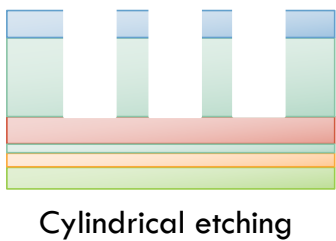
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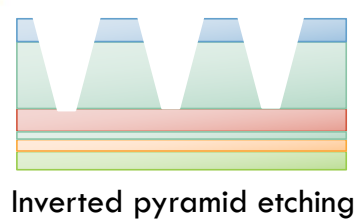
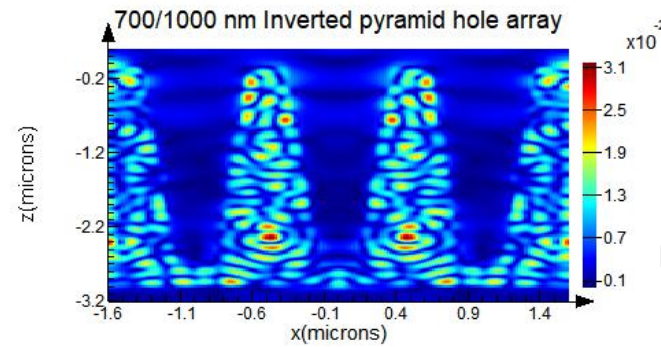
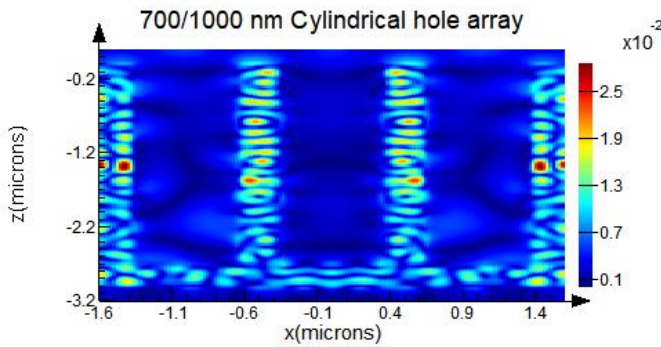
## Parallel-to-interface Refractive Modes in a PIN photodiode



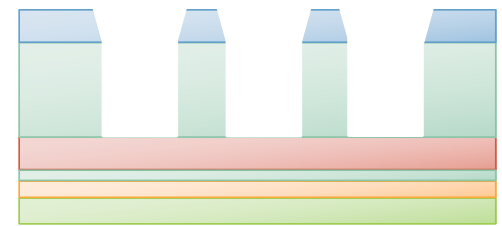
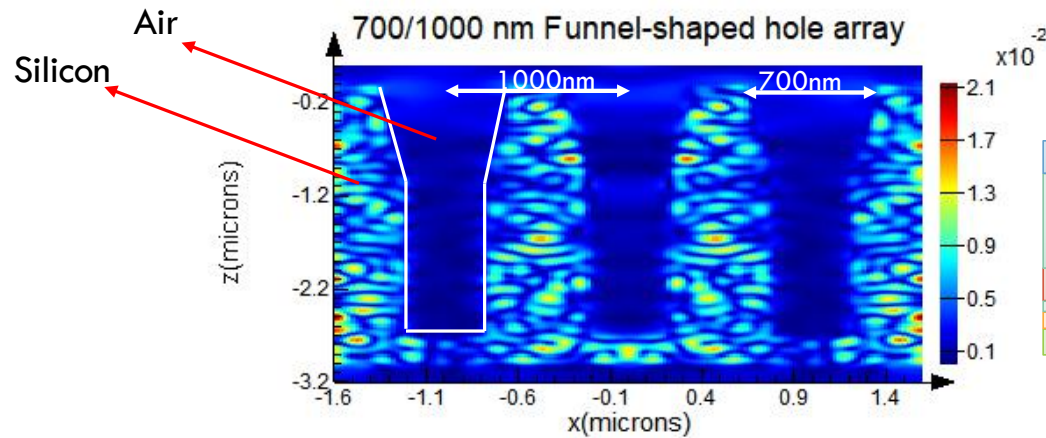
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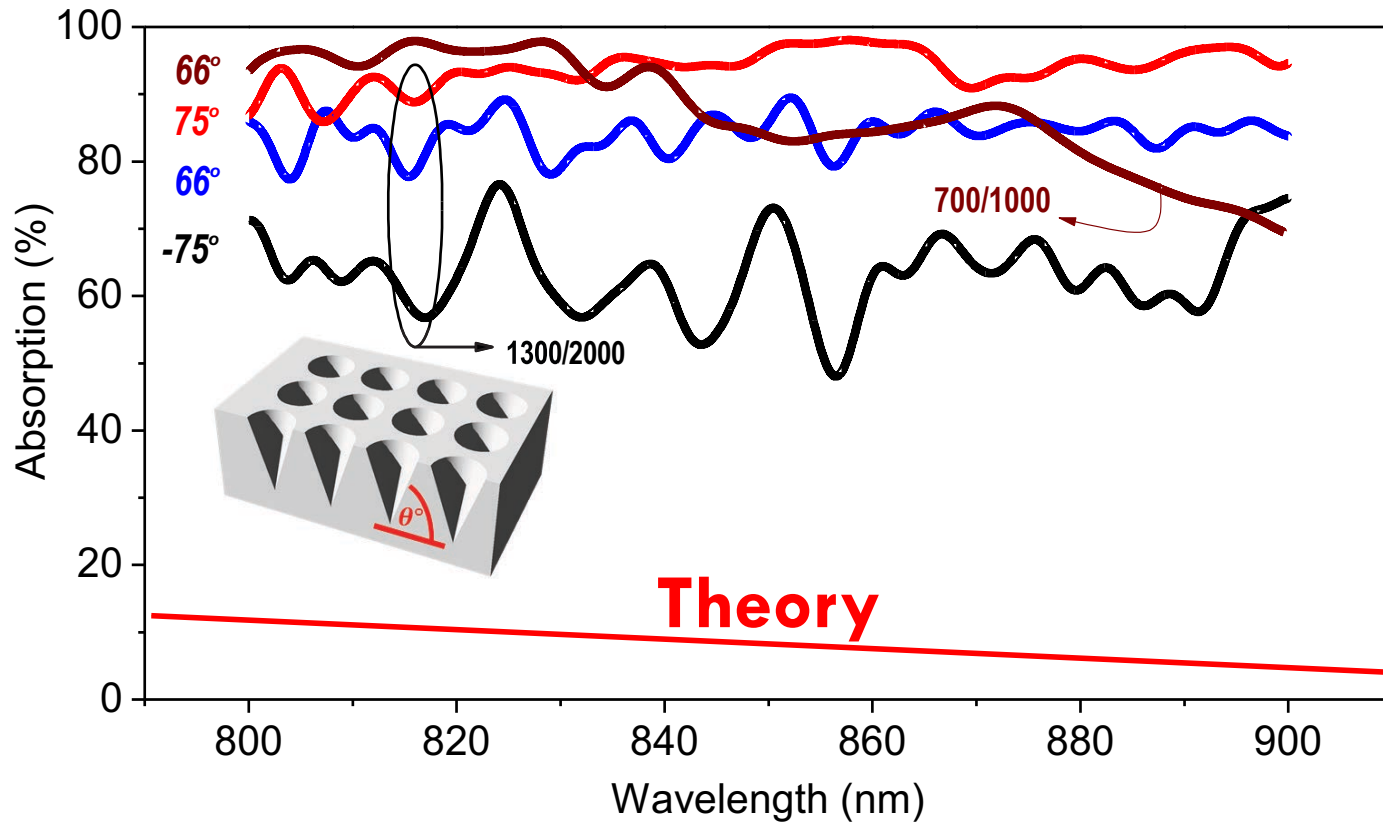
Inverted pyramid etching



Funnel-shaped etching

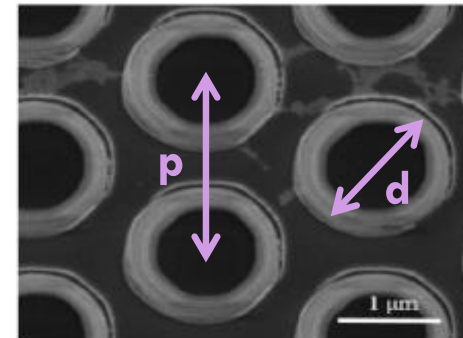
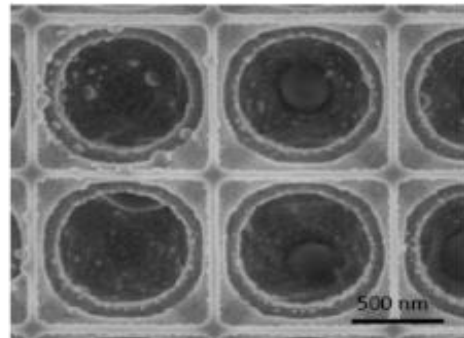
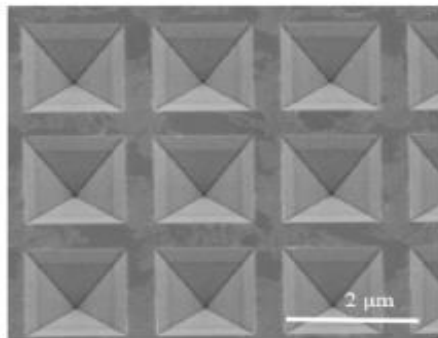
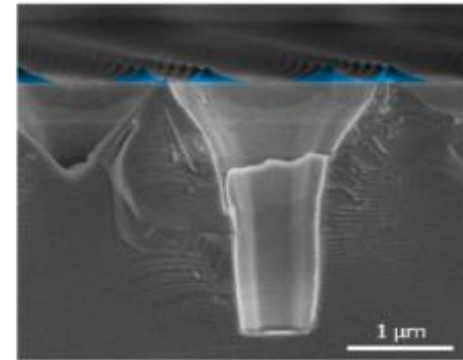
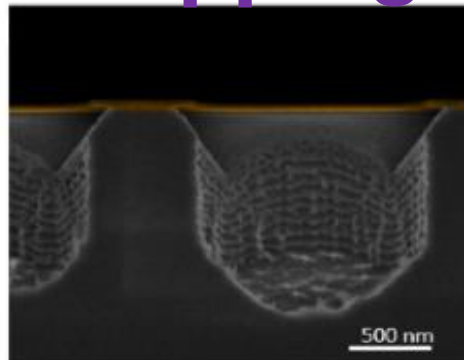
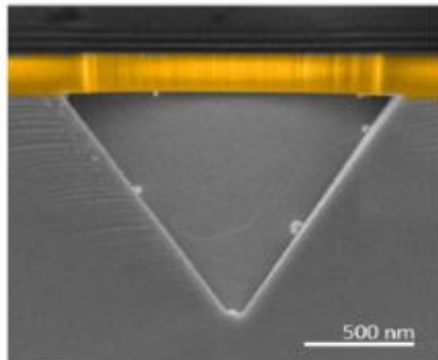
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# Absorption in 2 $\mu\text{m}$ Silicon





# Photon Trapping Structures

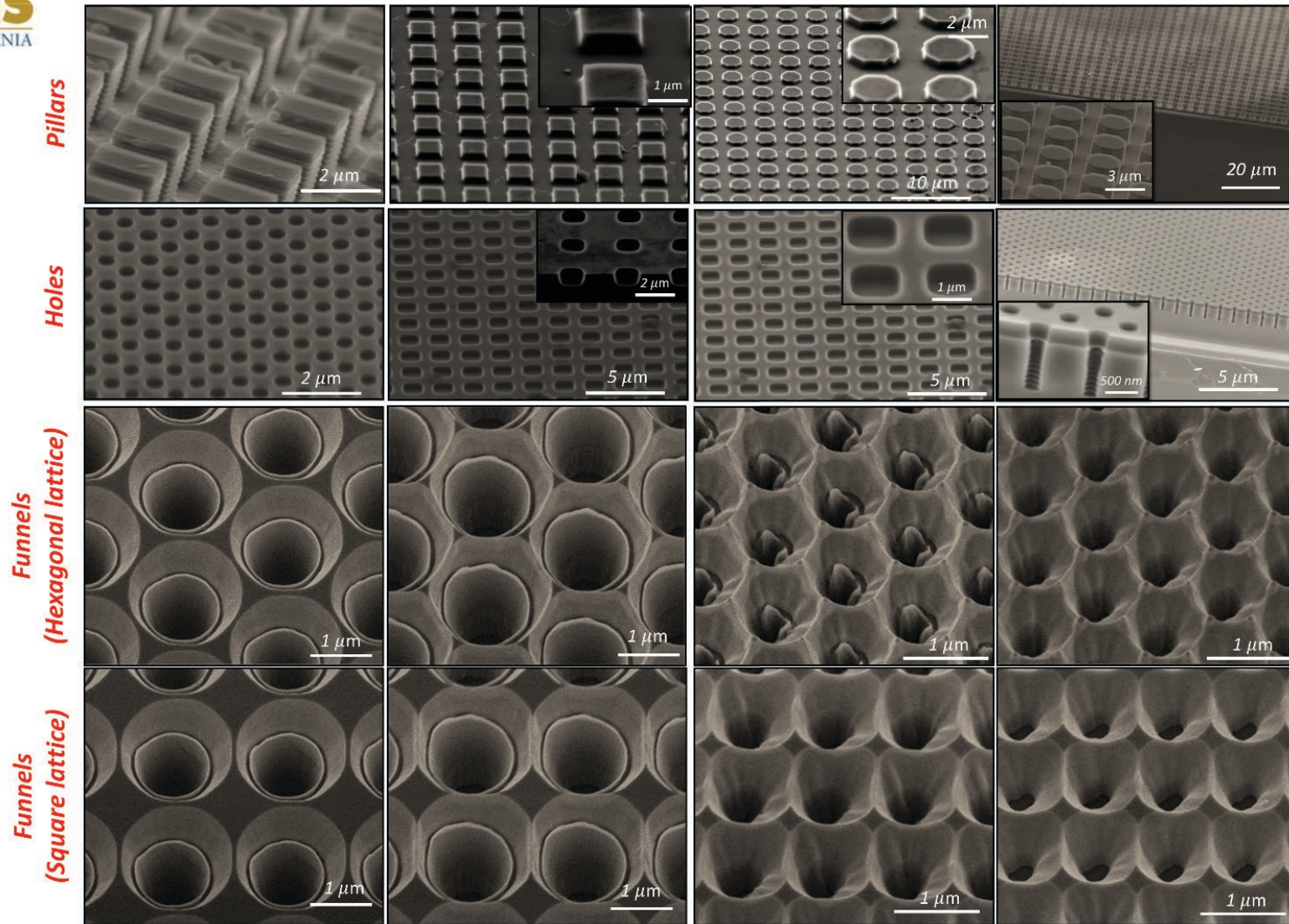


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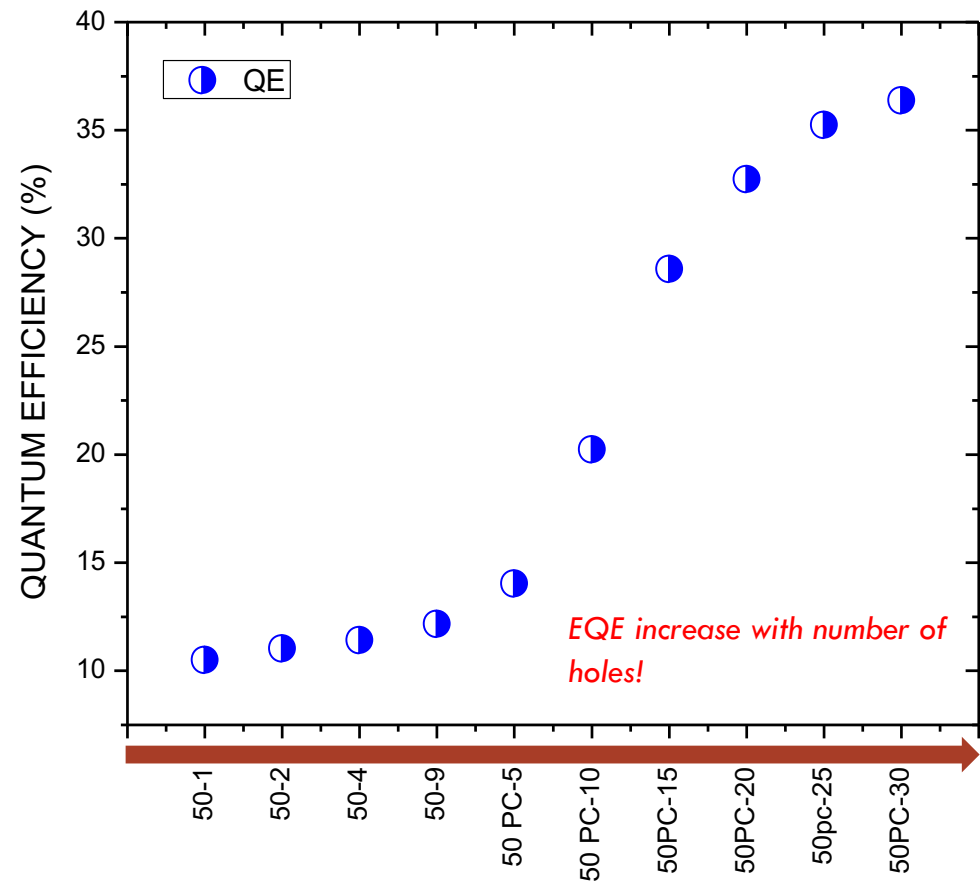
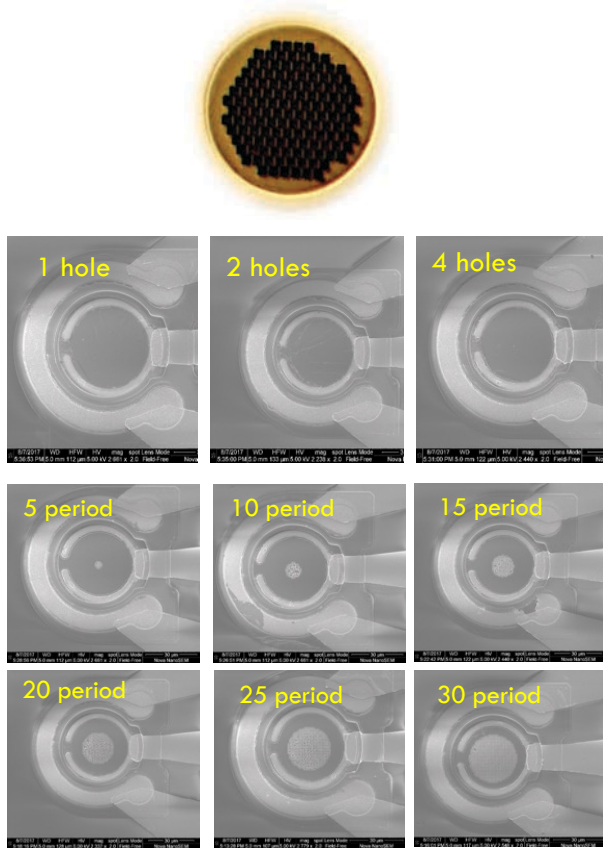
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Reactive Ion Etch (RIE)

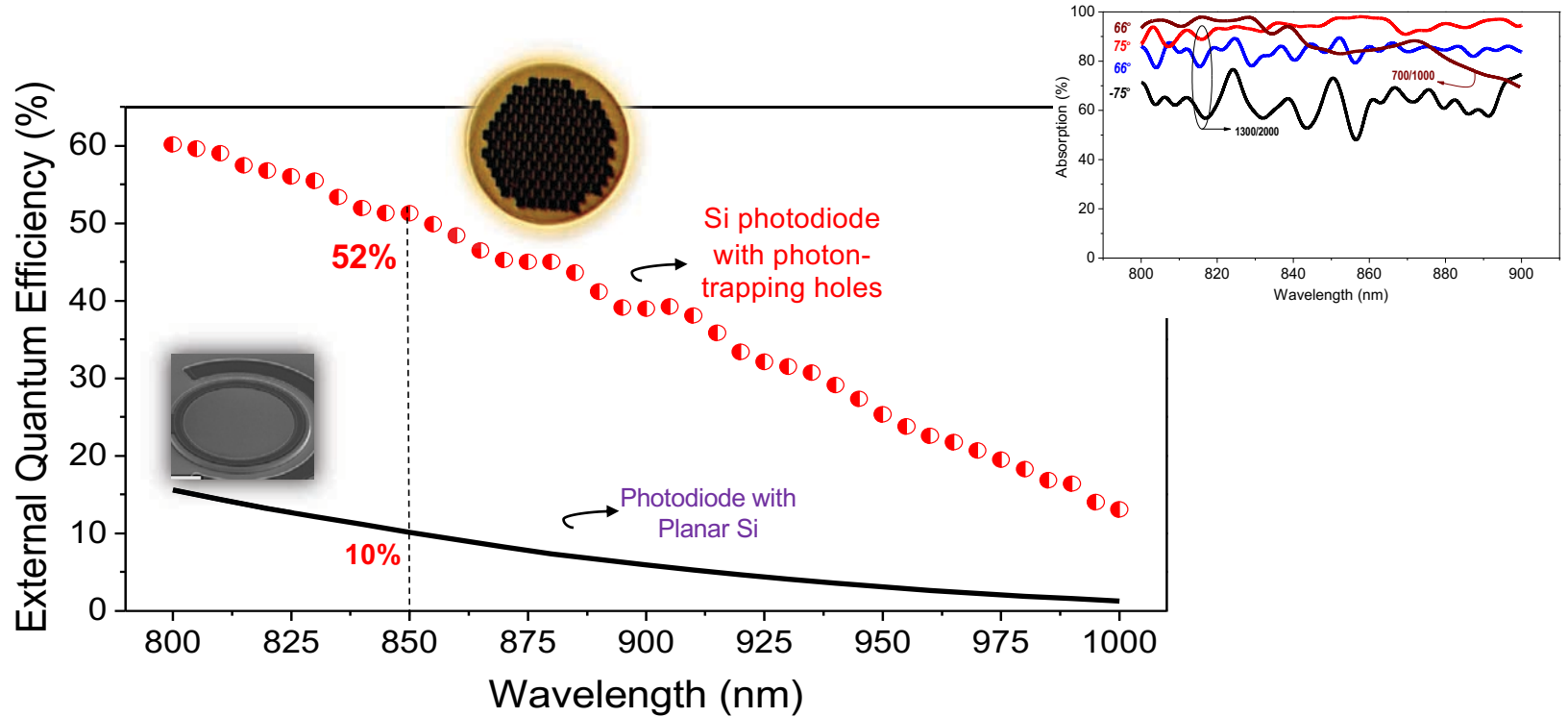
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# Photon Trapping in Different Number of Holes

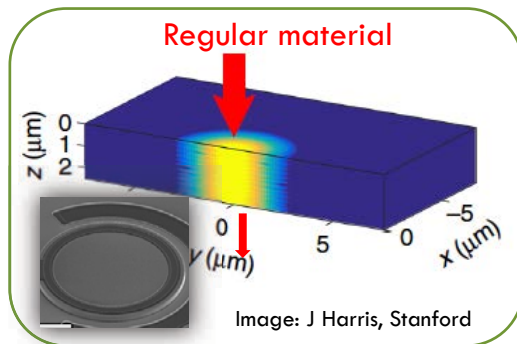
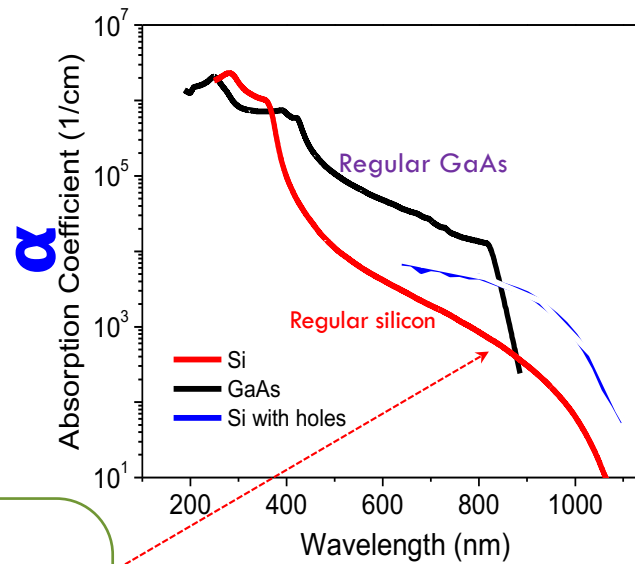


# Measured Quantum Efficiency in Silicon Photodiodes



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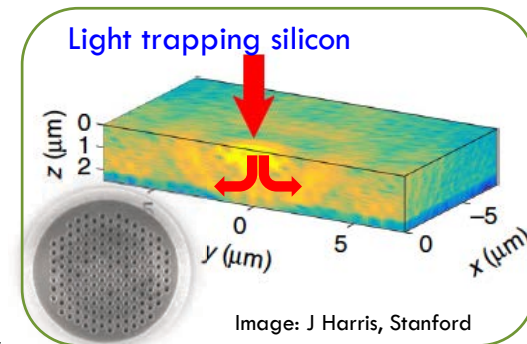
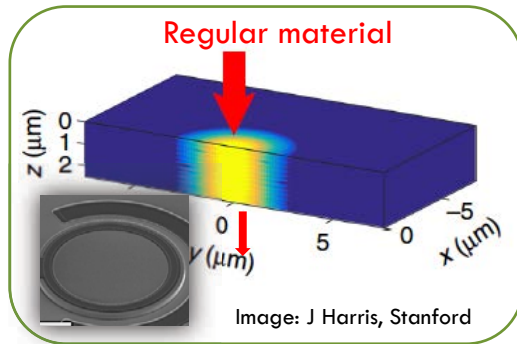
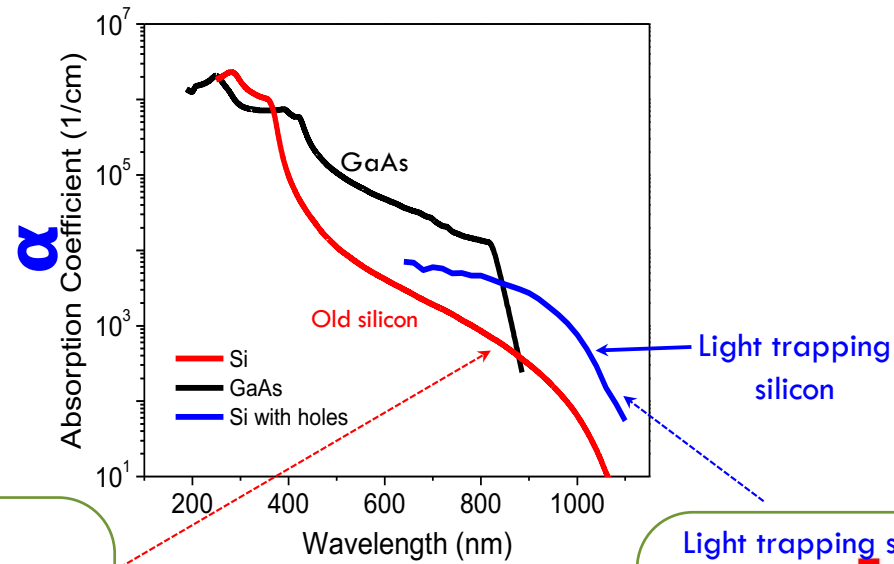
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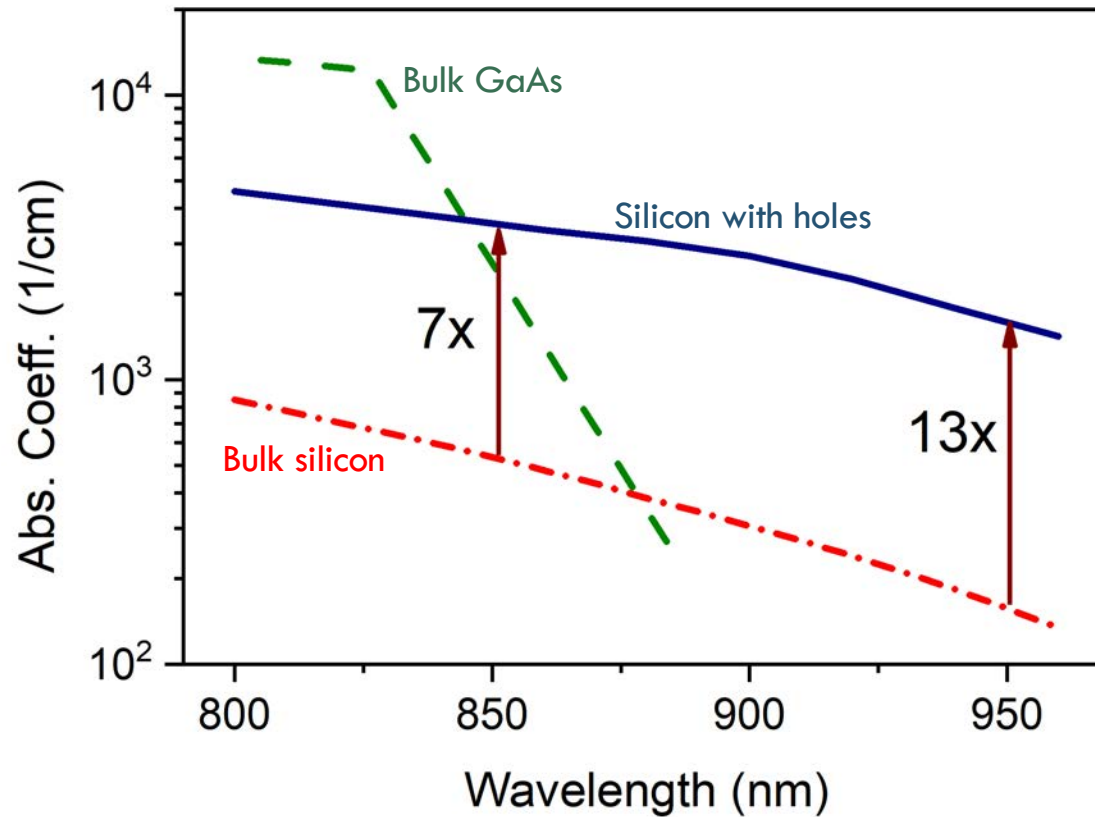


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## Enhanced Optical Absorption coefficient



$$\eta = 1 - \exp(-\alpha_{eff}d)$$

S. Ghandiparsi, et al., "High-Speed High-Efficiency Photon-Trapping Broadband Silicon PIN Photodiodes for ShortReach Optical Interconnects in Data Centers", Journal of Lightwave Technology, 2019 (Under review).

# Capacitance Reduction by Holes

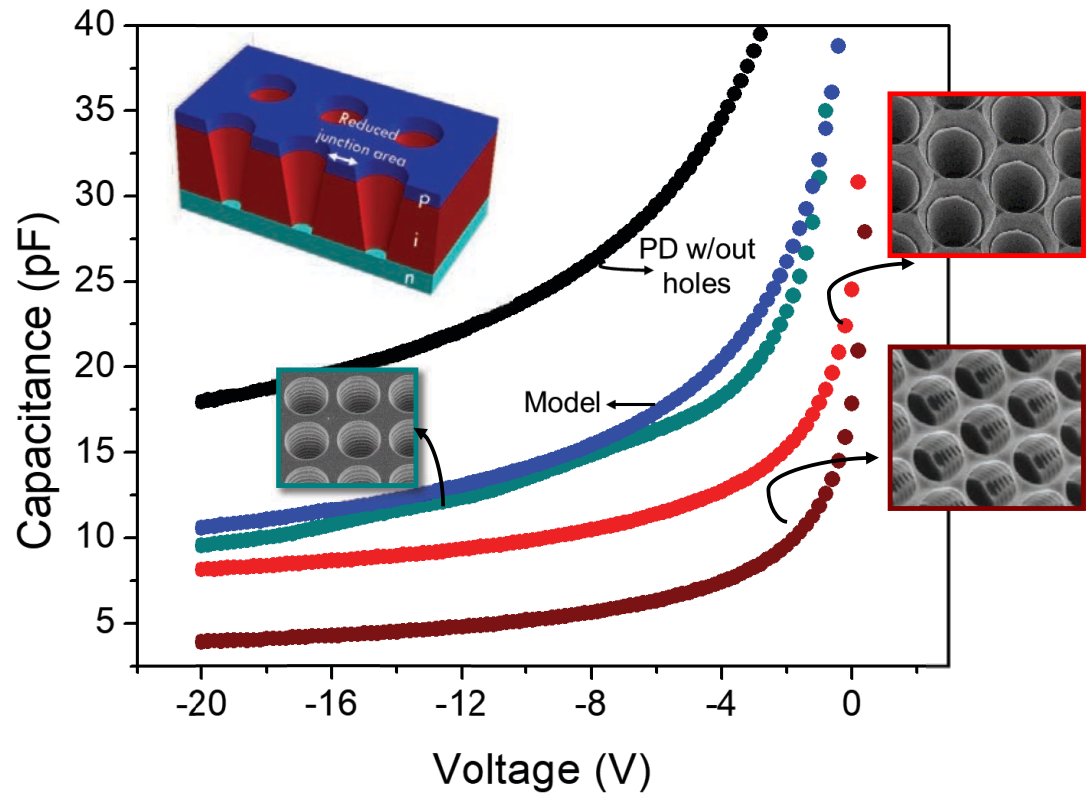
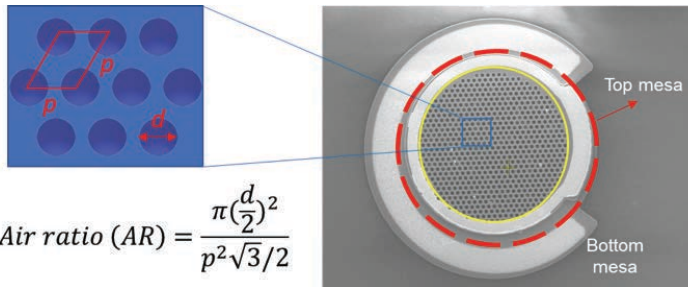
$$f_{3dB} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi RC)^2 + (t_{tr}/0.44)^2}}$$

In a typical pin diode;  $C = \epsilon A/d$

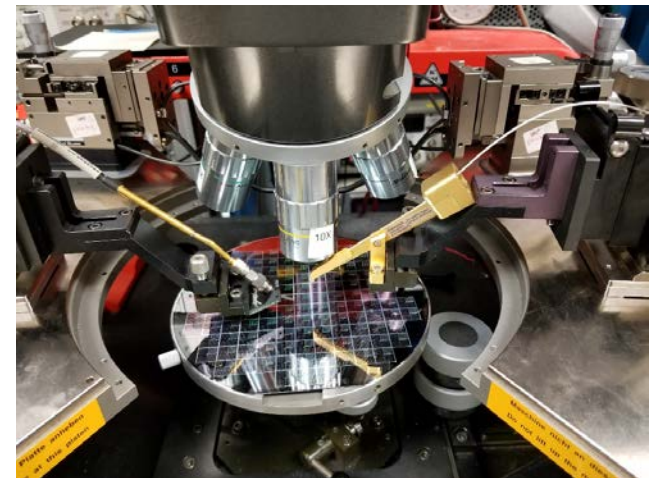
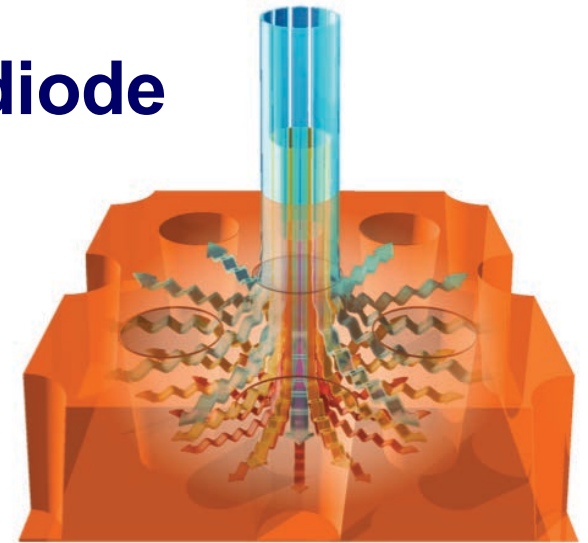
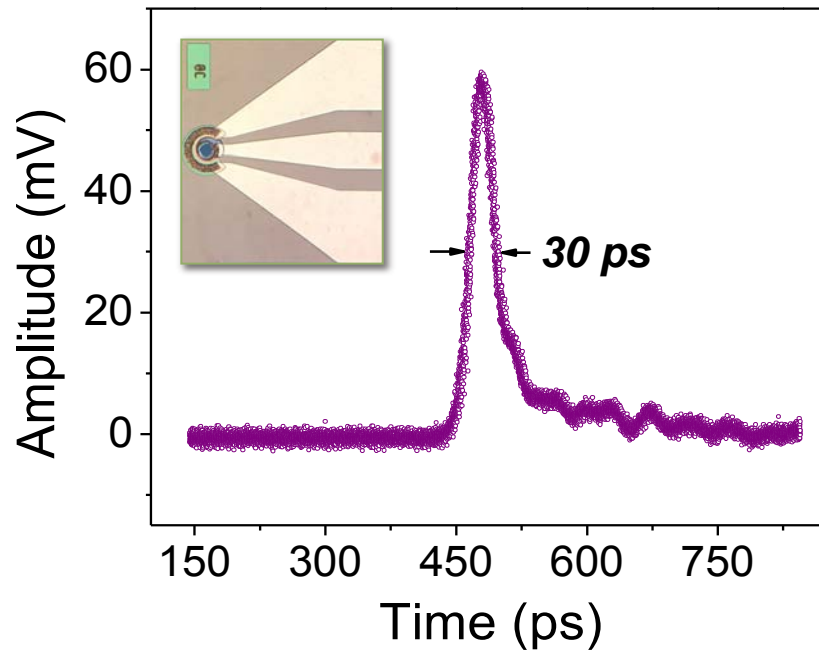
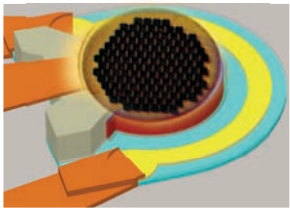
$A$  is the junction area

$d$  is depletion layer width which is composed of  $i$ -layer

$$C_{PD \text{ with holes}} = C_{PD \text{ (no holes)}} - C_{PD \text{ (no holes)}} \times R \times (AR)$$



# Ultra-fast Silicon Photodiode



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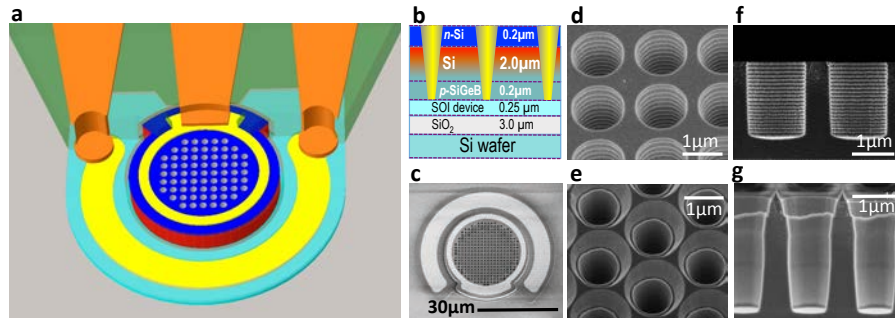
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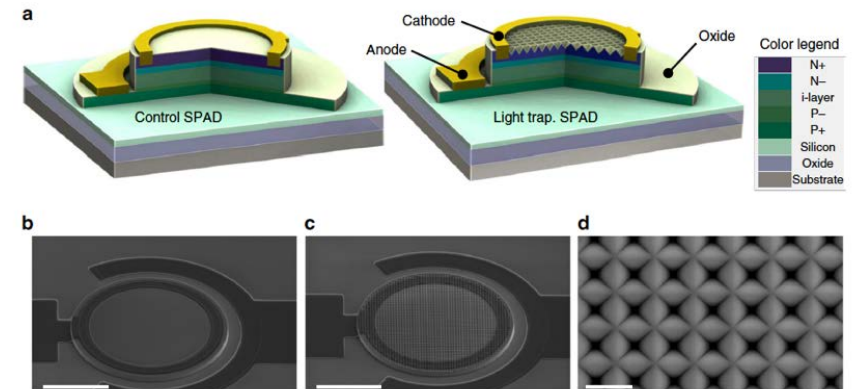
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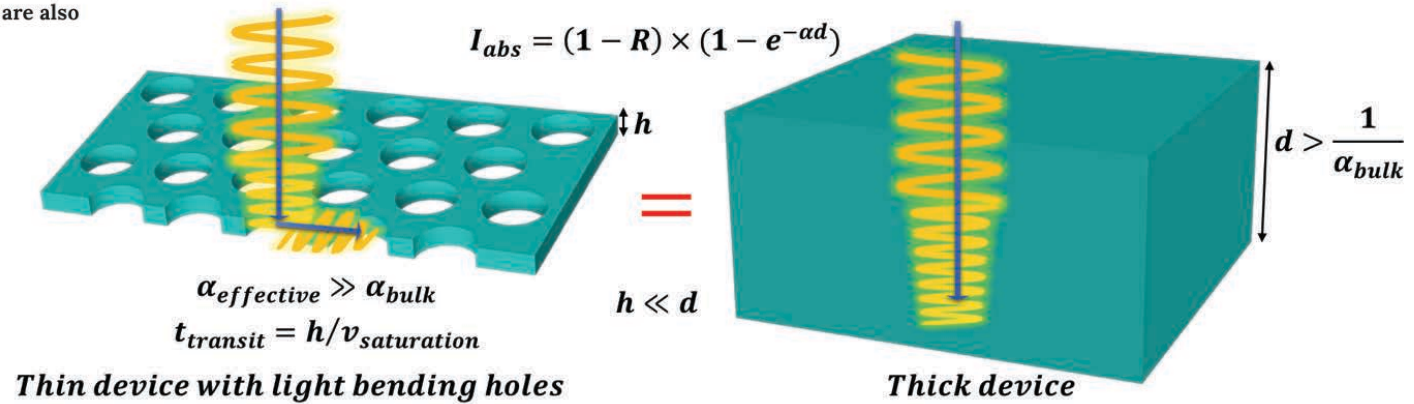
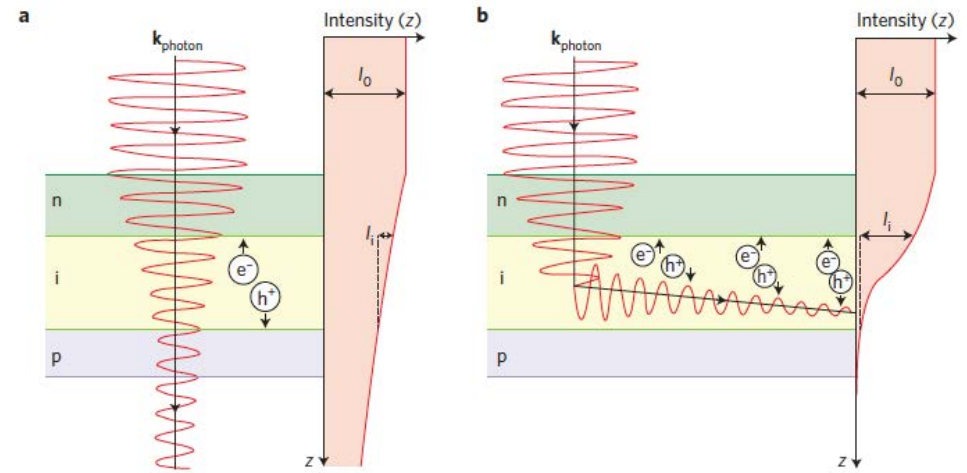




## Optoelectronics: Fast silicon photodiodes

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There is typically a compromise between speed and efficiency when designing silicon photodiodes. Now, researchers have exploited microstructuring to achieve fast and thin devices that are also efficient.



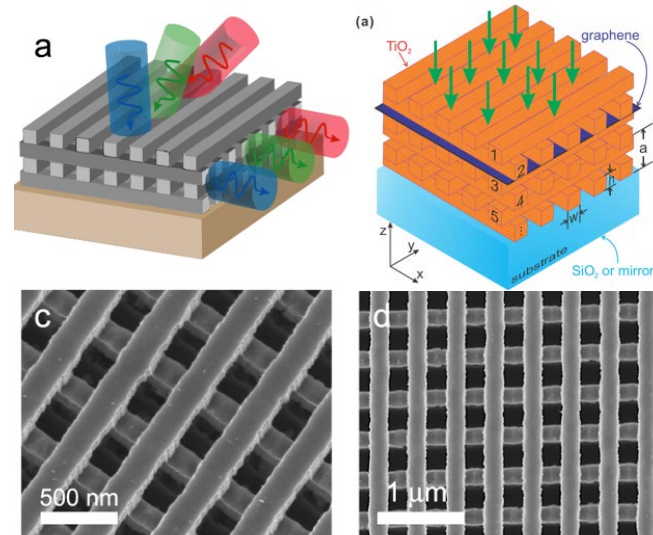
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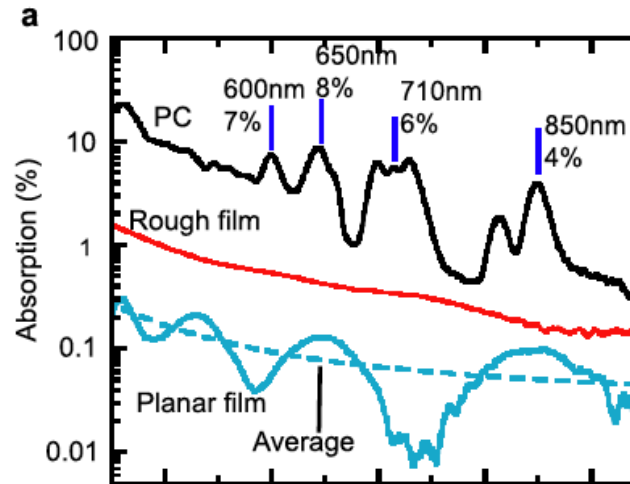
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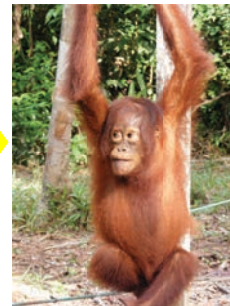
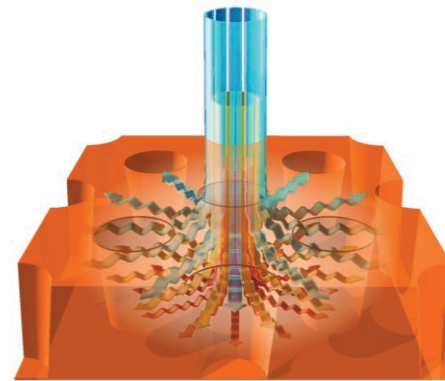
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# Same Material, but Faster and Higher Efficiency

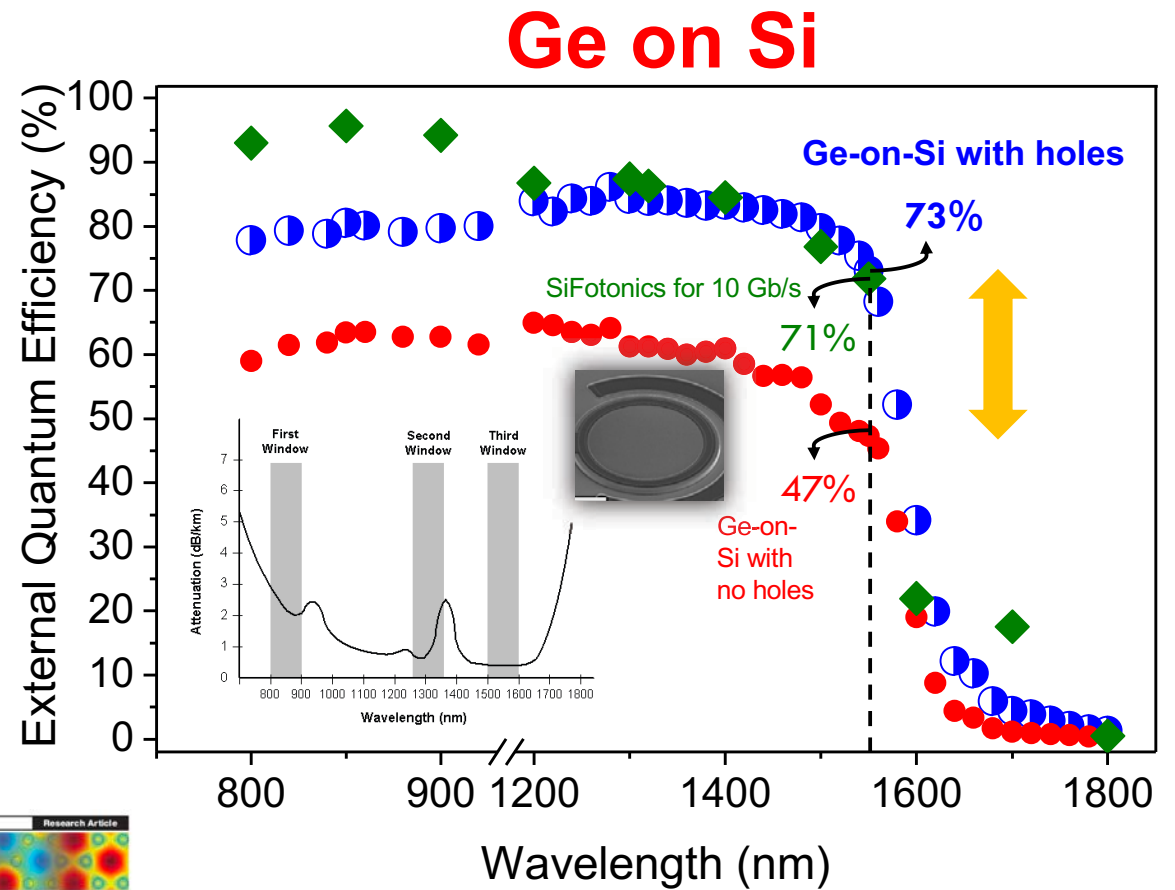
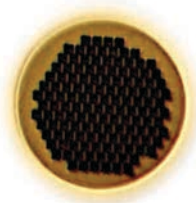
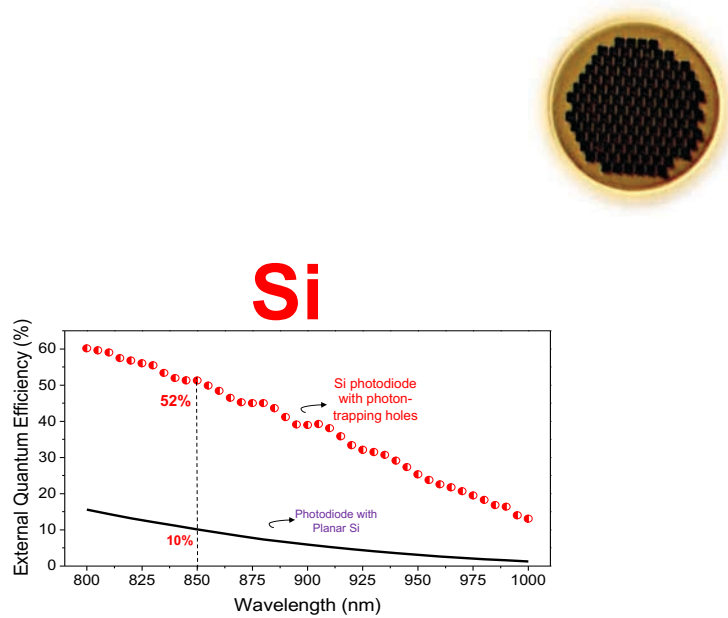


New Si



GaAs

# Wideband Efficiency Enhancement in Ge



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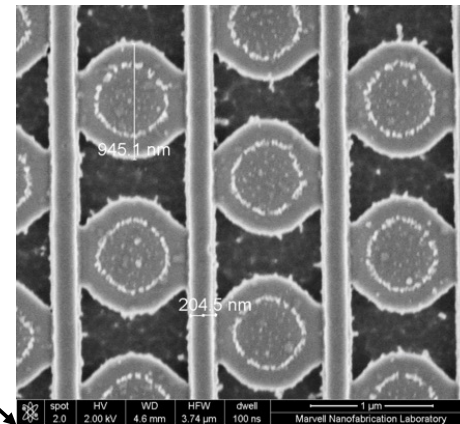
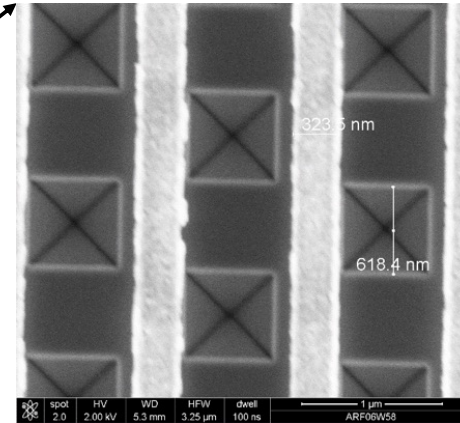
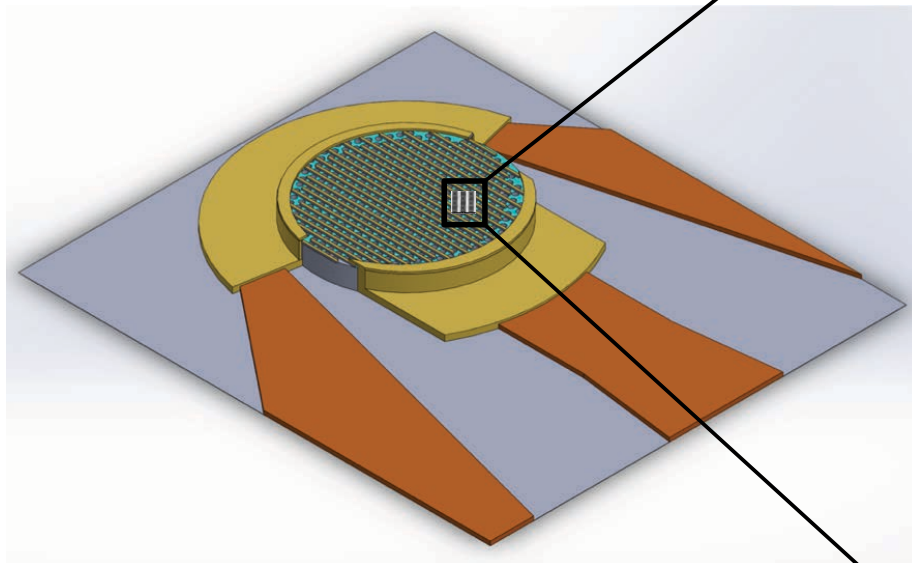
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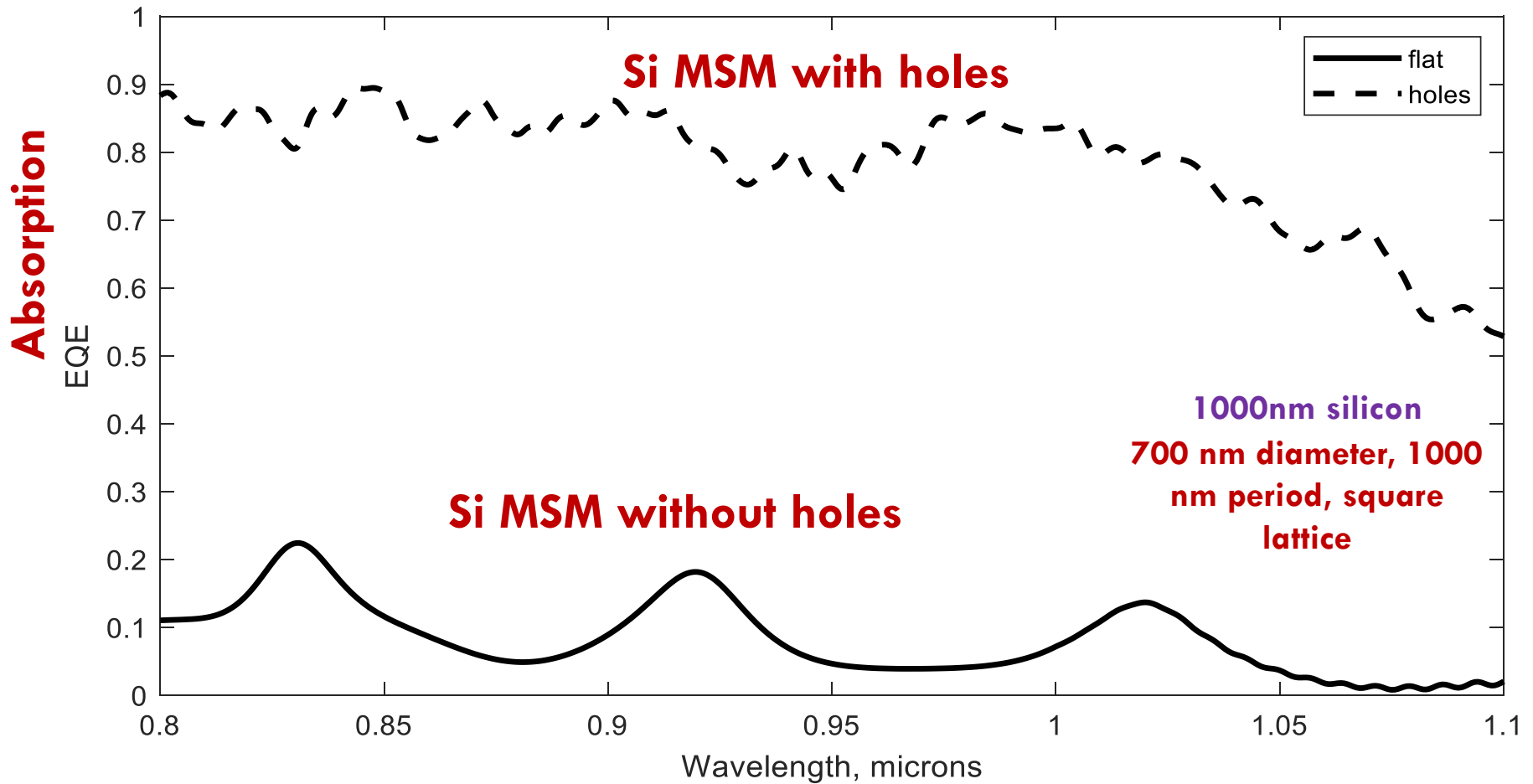


# Photon-Trapping in **Even Thinner Si:** With MSM PDs

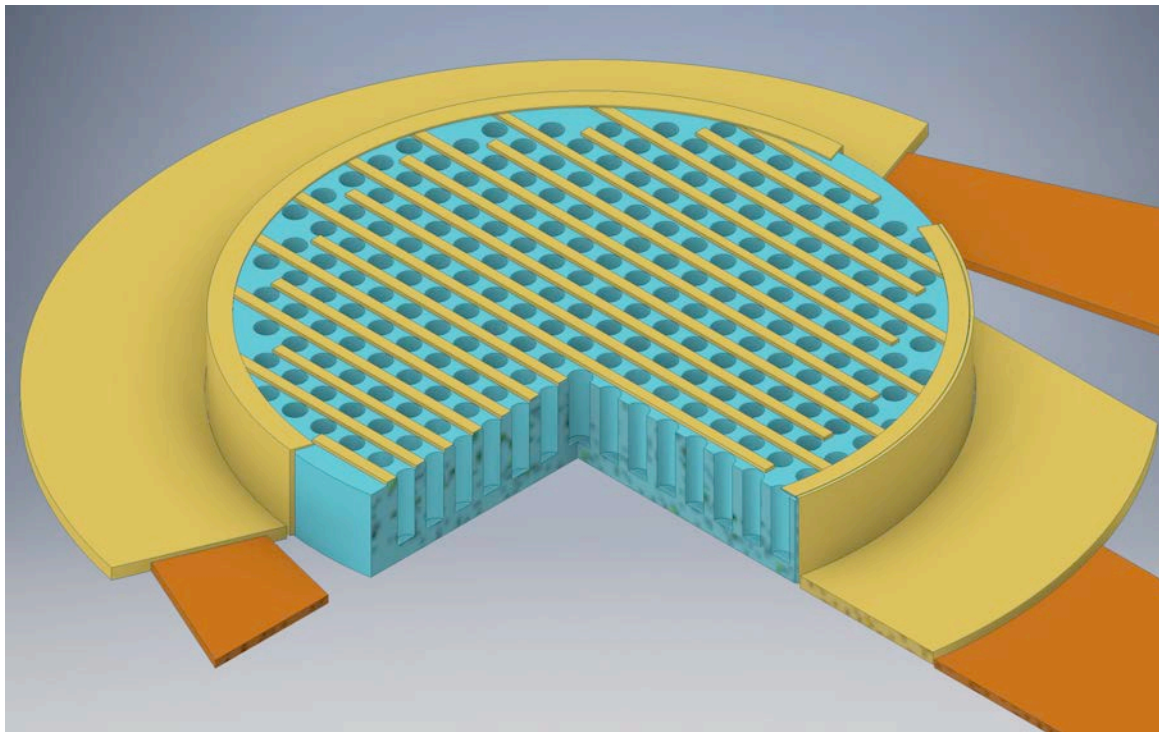




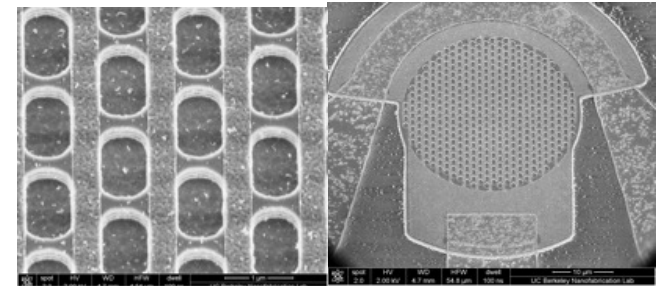
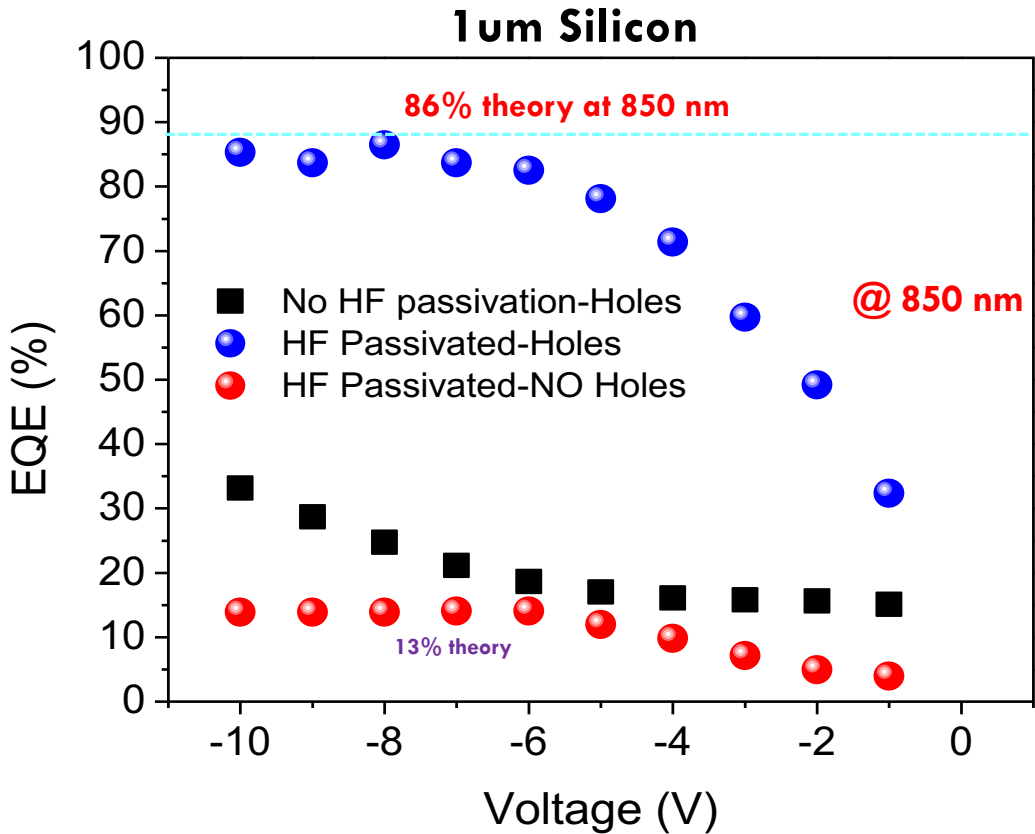
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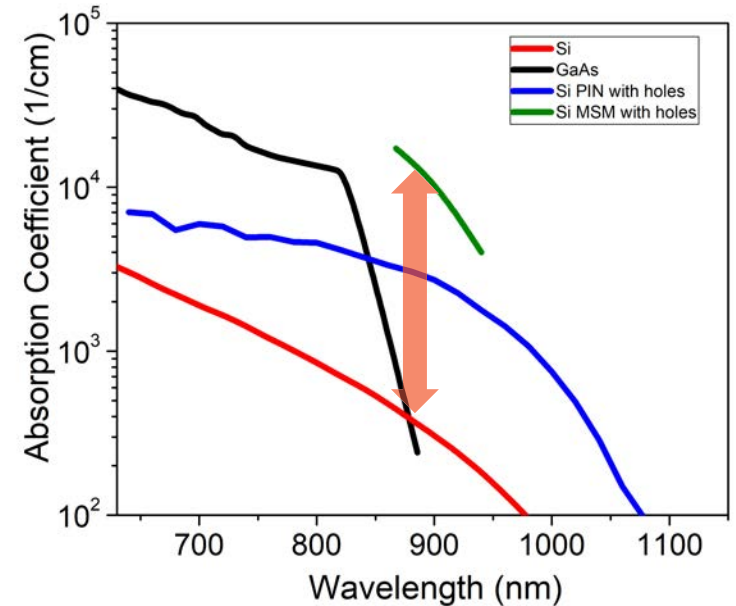
## Photon-Trapping in Even Thinner Si : MSM PDs



# MSM Lateral Structure Experimental Results

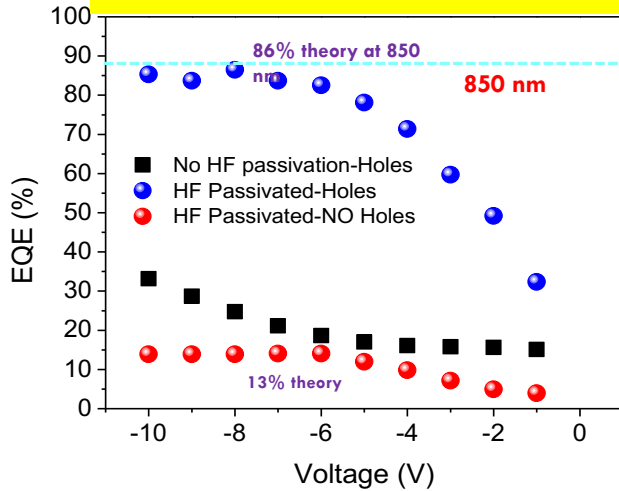


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# MSM Lateral Photodiode: Experimental Results

1 um GaAs  $\rightarrow$  ~77%  
Our um Si  $\rightarrow$  85% at 850 nm



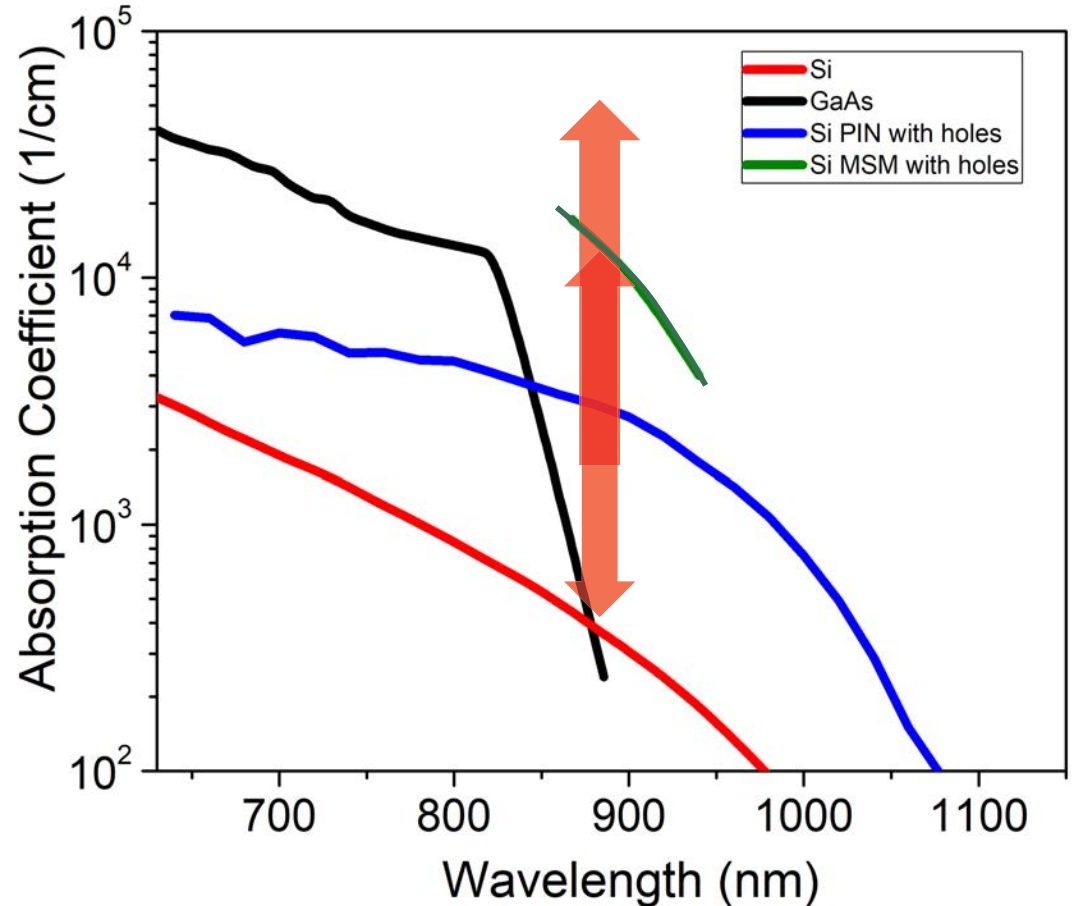
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## $\alpha/cm$ of silicon

850nm,  $\alpha = 535$   
905nm,  $\alpha = 272$   
940nm,  $\alpha = 183$

## $\alpha/cm$ of holey silicon

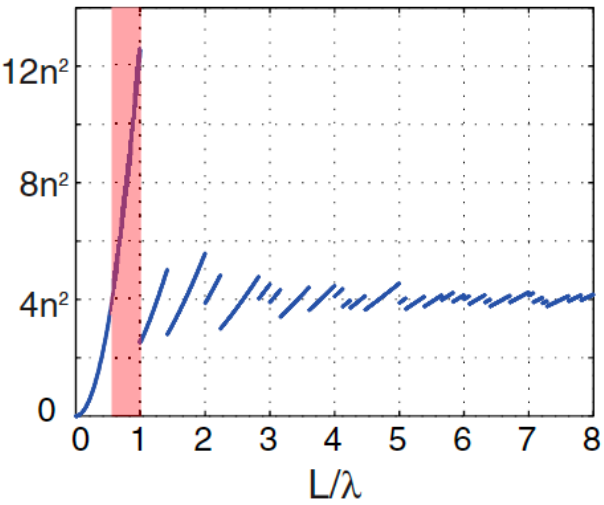
850nm,  $\alpha = 18971$     38x  
905nm,  $\alpha = 11086$     40x  
940nm,  $\alpha = 4004$     22x



# Fundamental limit of nanophotonic light trapping in solar cells

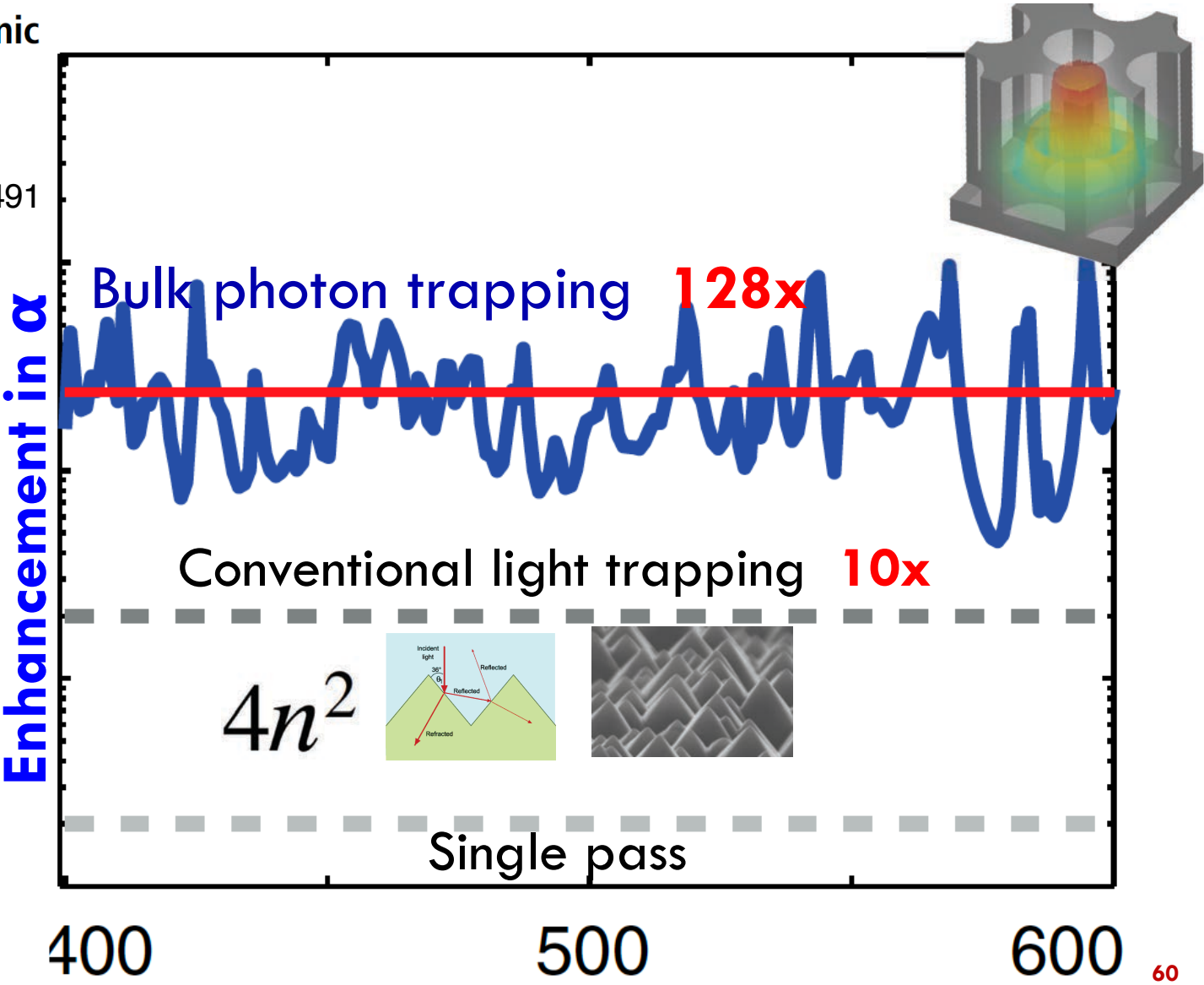
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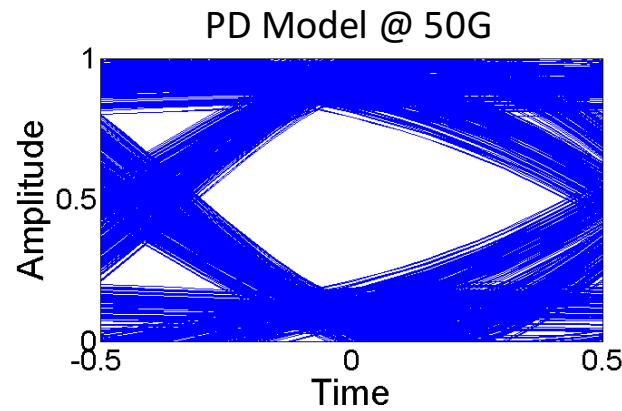
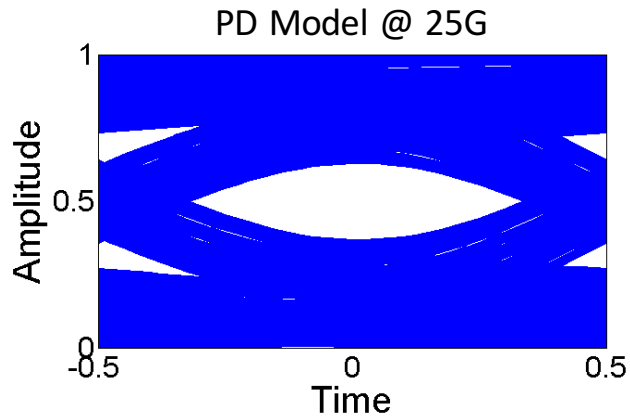
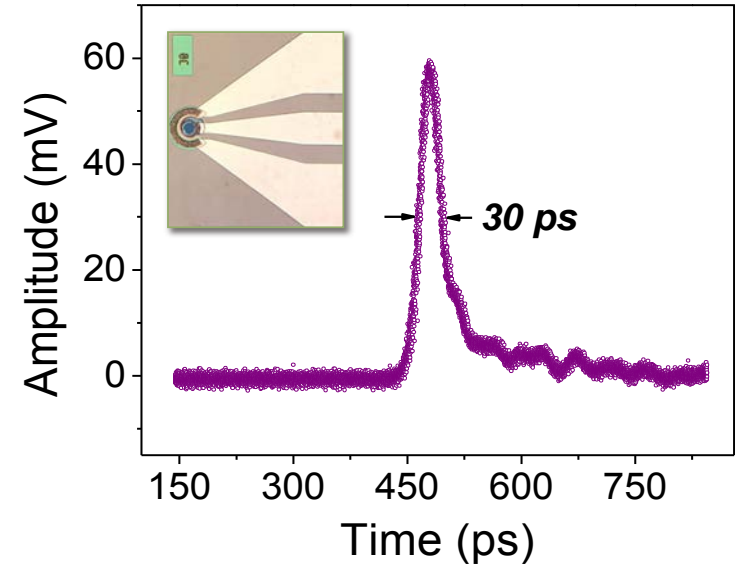
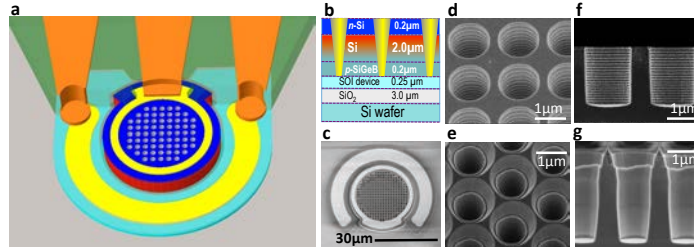
## $\alpha/cm$ of holey silicon

- 850nm,  $\alpha = 18971$      **38x**
- 905nm,  $\alpha = 11086$     **40x**
- 940nm,  $\alpha = 4004$       **22x**

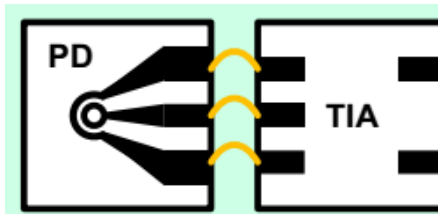




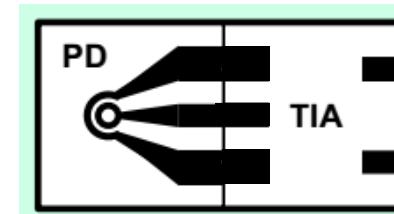
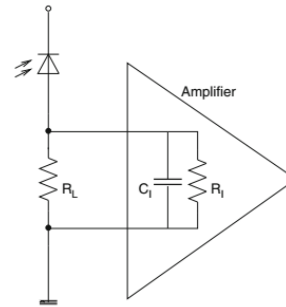
# Ultra-fast 50Gb/s Silicon PDs



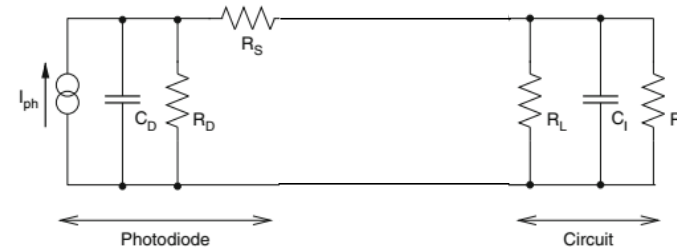
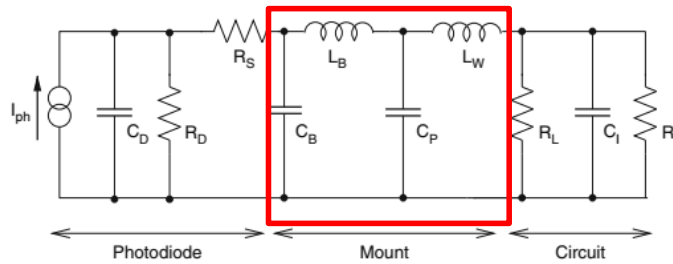
# Toward Integrated Receiver



Wire-bonded EIC and PIC



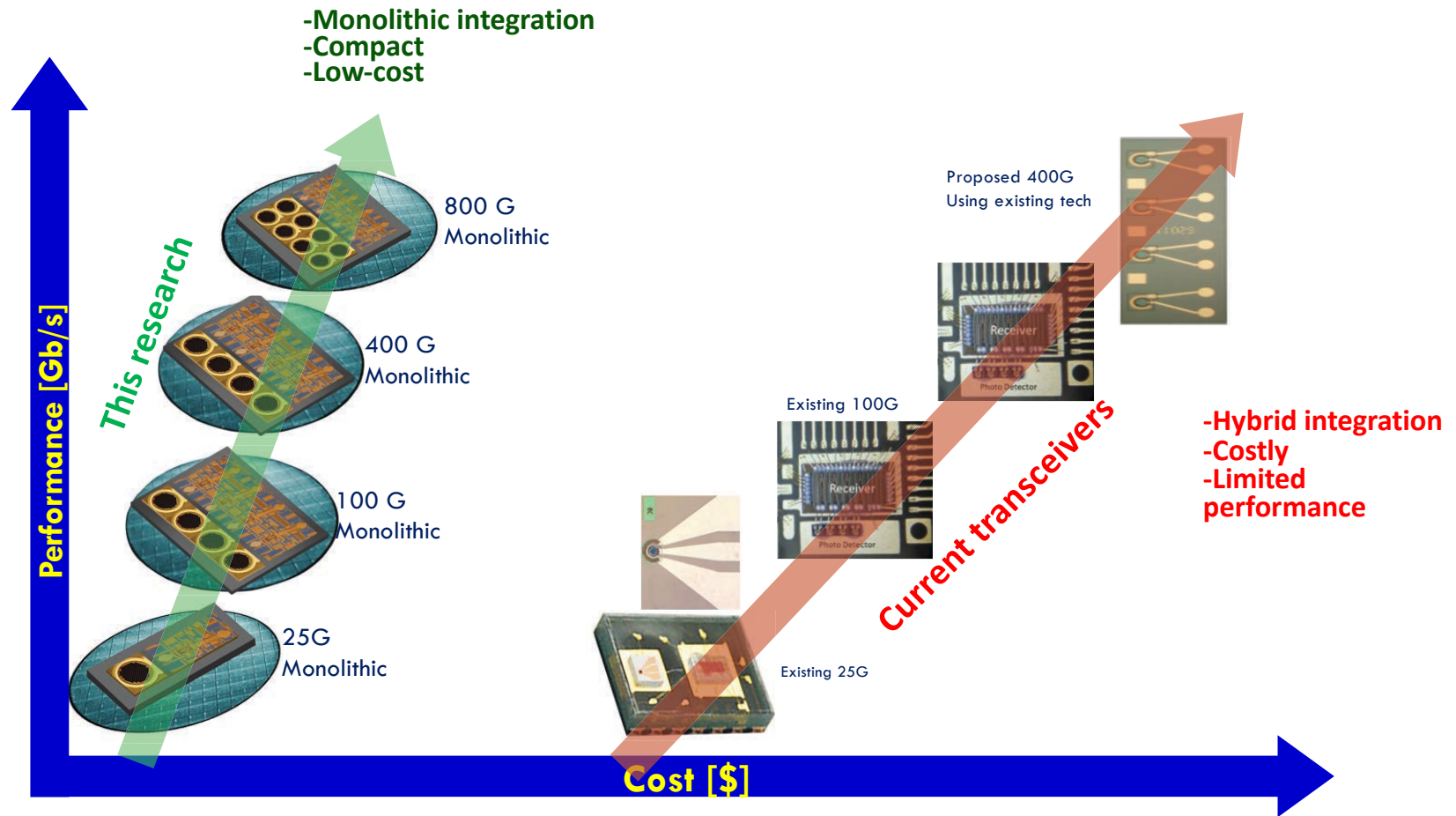
On-chip integrated EIC and PIC



$$f_{3dB} = \frac{1}{2\pi (R_L || R_I)(C_j + C_b + C_p + C_I)}$$

$$f_{3dB} = \frac{1}{2\pi (R_L || R_I)(C_j + C_I)}$$

# Ultrafast Si Transceivers for Data Centers





Thank you!

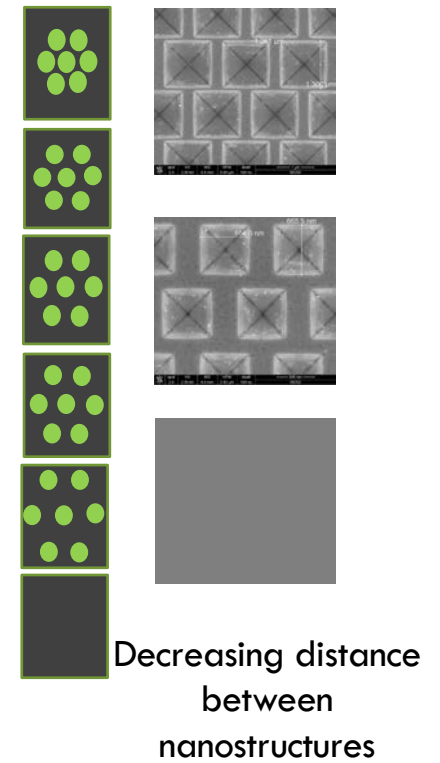
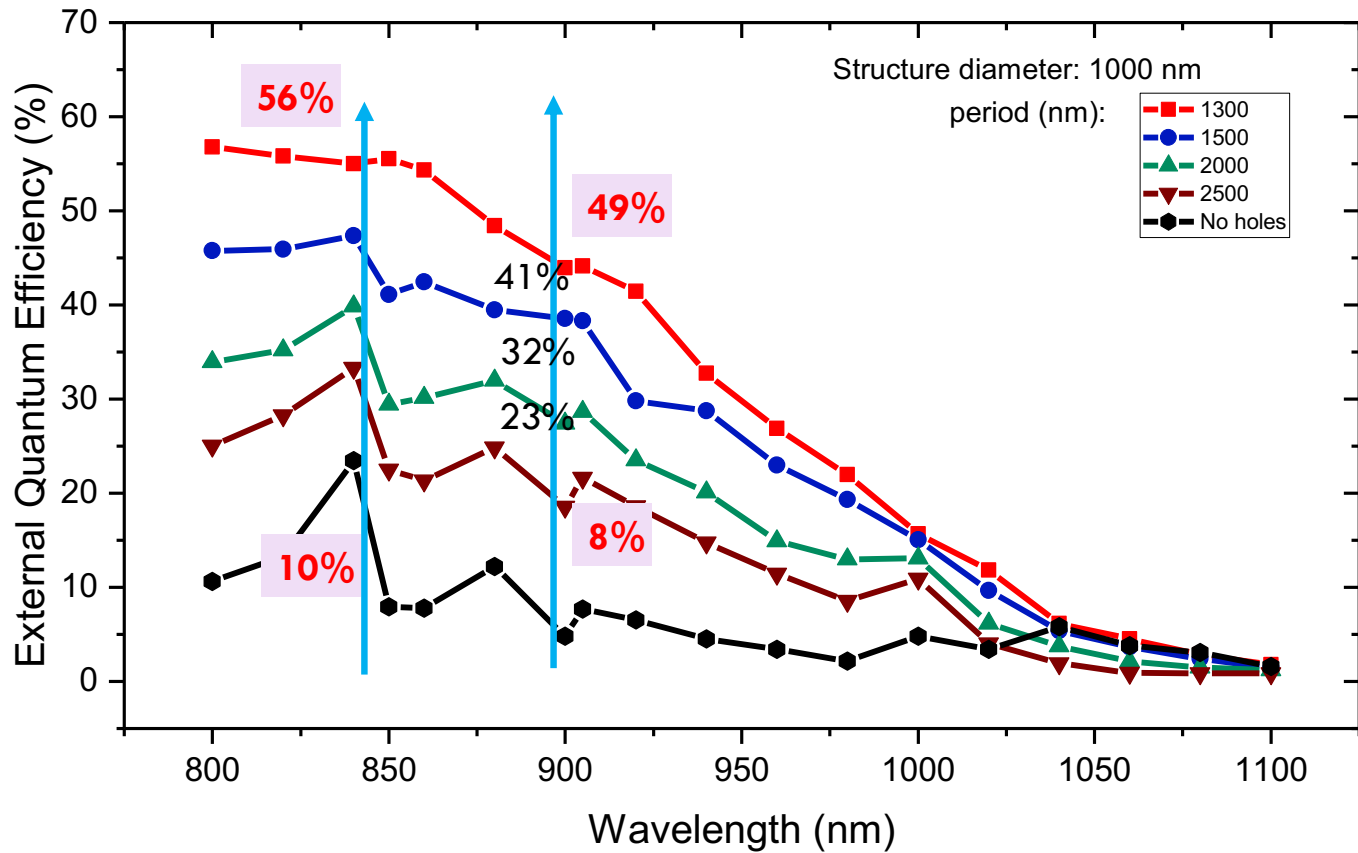
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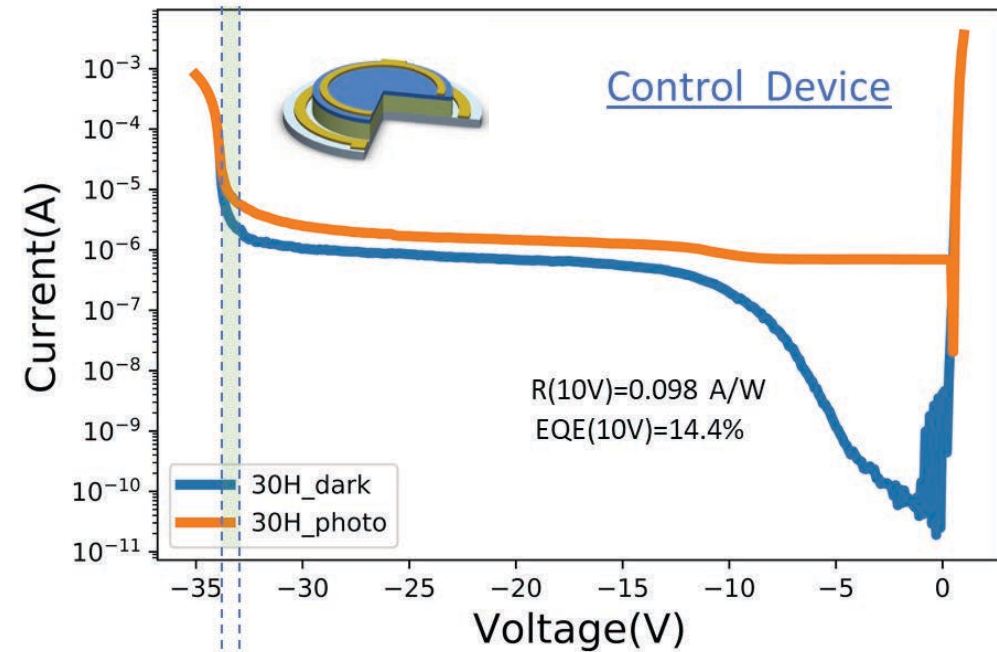




# Broadband EQE on Si PDs



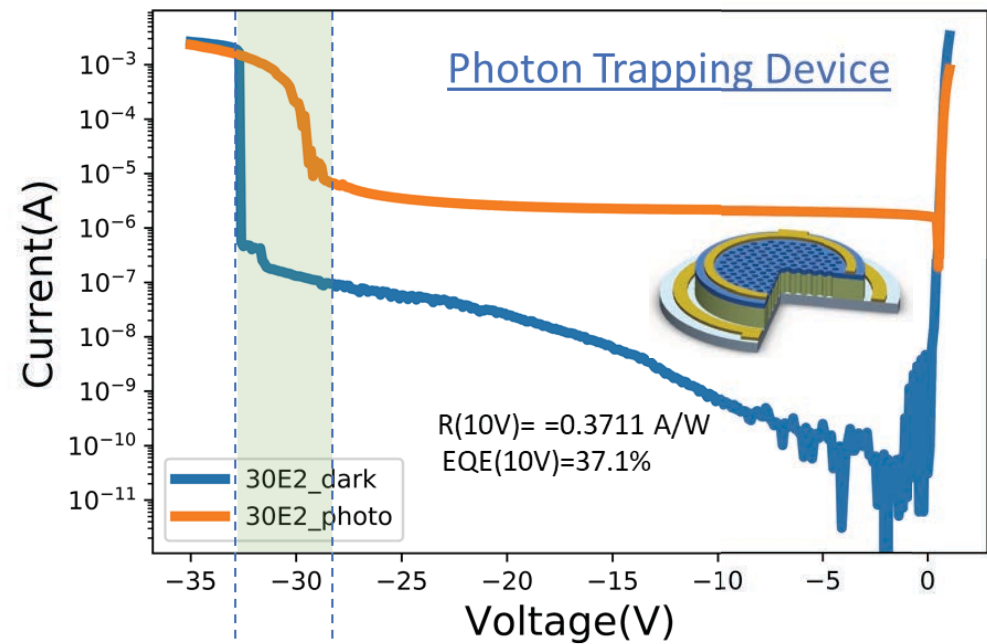
# Photon trapping Si APD



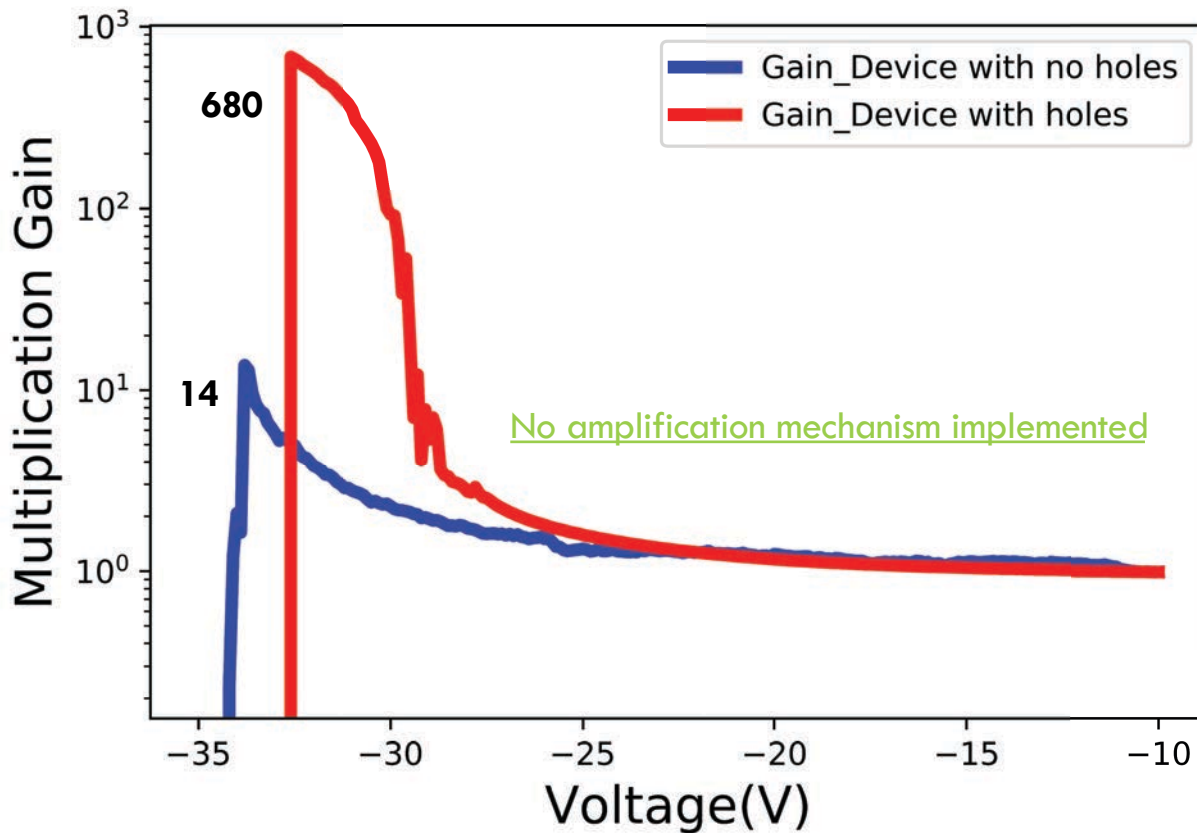
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Experimental data obtained in SPAD photon trapping devices

Input power:  $8.5 \mu\text{W}$   
Laser: Calmar Laser 850nm  
Device Diameter:  $30 \mu\text{m}$



# Gain in PD devices at 850nm



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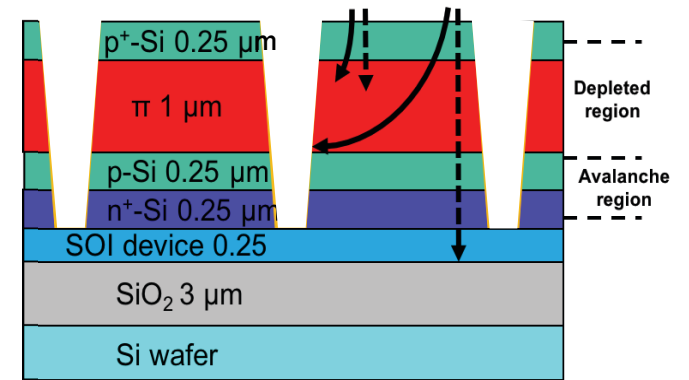
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Device Diameter: 30 μm

**Goal: Obtain a gain of  $10^6$**

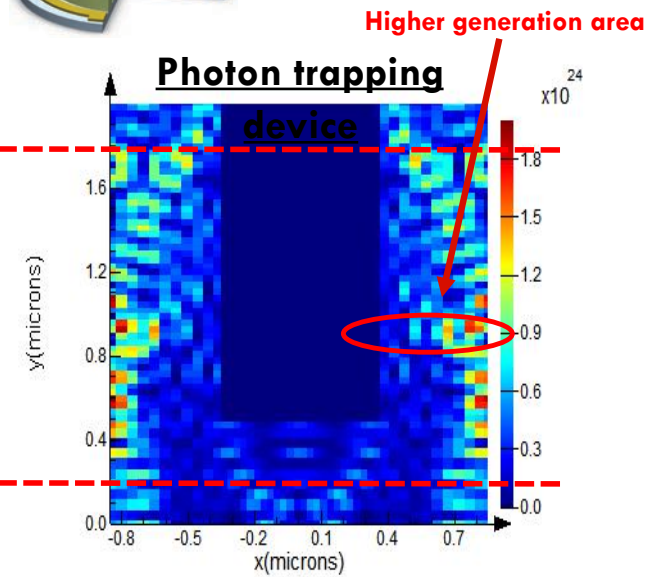
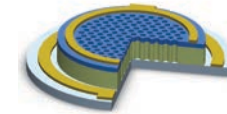
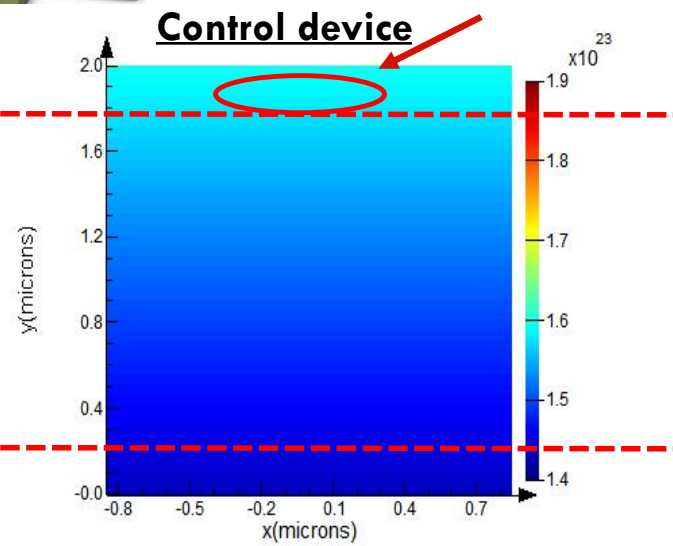
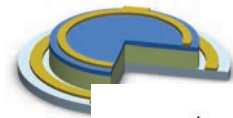
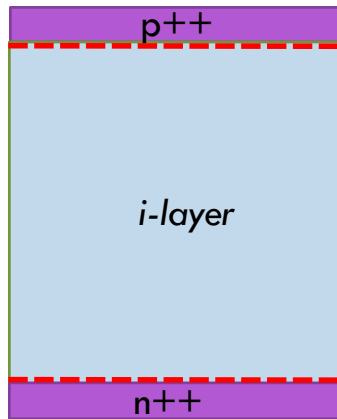
Future electrical design:

Separate Absorption and Multiplication Layer (SAML)



# Electron-hole generation profile

**PIN diode scheme**



For silicon, we expect to have lower excess noise with electron injection

Future work: Optical and electrical simulation must be coupled

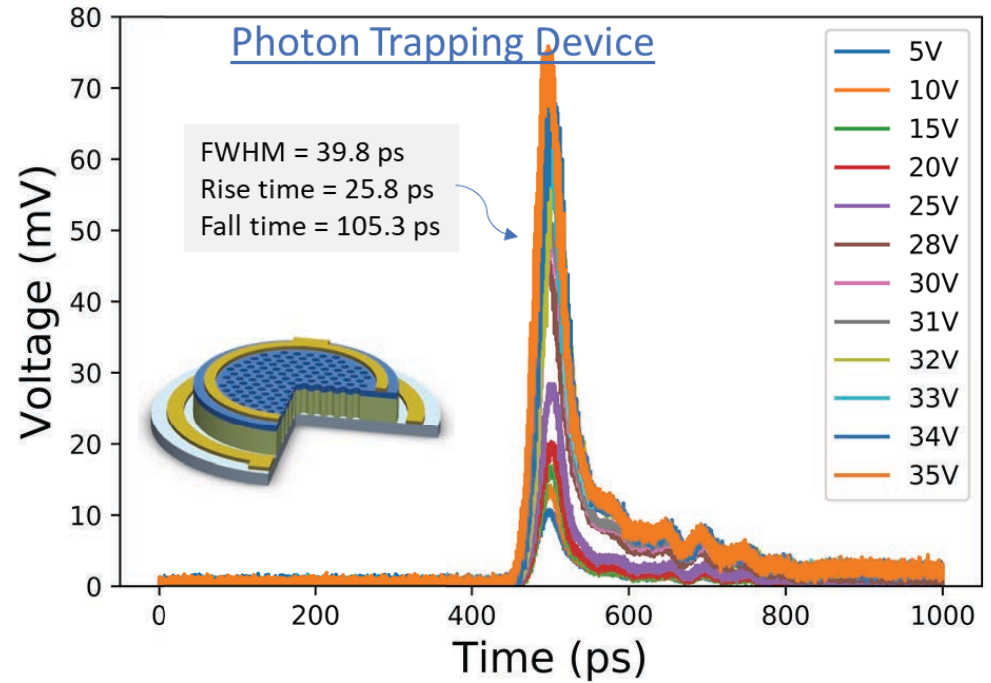
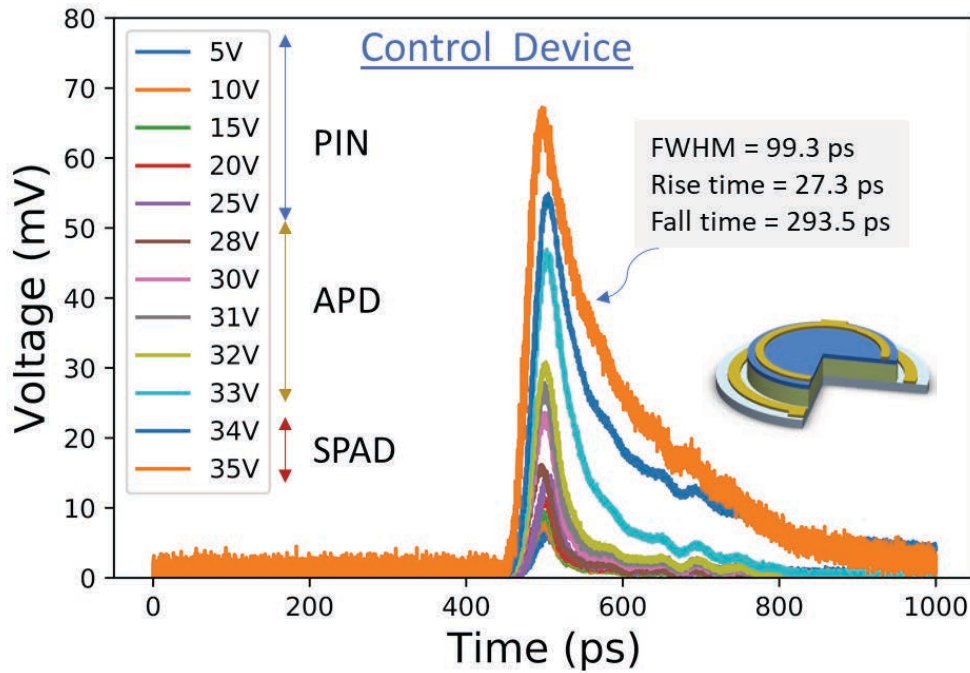
# Speed of operation for Si-APD

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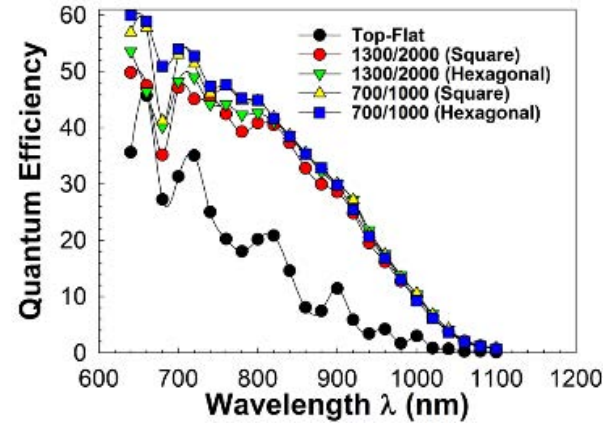
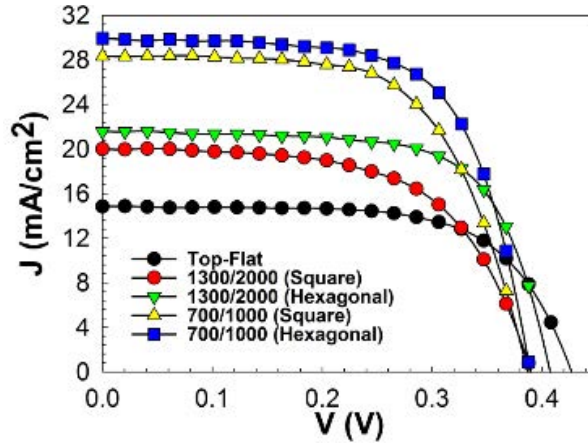
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Device Diameter:  $30\ \mu\text{m}$





## Solar Cells with Holey Silicon



**Table 1.** The performance of SCs by designing with different lattice design size/period

Hole Size diameter/period	$V_{oc}$ (V)	$I_{sc}$ (mA)	FF (%)	Eff. (%)
Top-Flat	0.42	0.029	66.0	4.18
1300/2000 (Hexagonal)	0.40	0.042	67.98	5.97
700/1000 (Hexagonal)	0.38	0.059	66.0	7.69
1300/2000 (Square)	0.39	0.039	60.12	4.69
700/1000 (Square)	0.39	0.060	62.74	6.88

# Future Work: System level design and simulation

## □ Design photodiode integrated with TIA circuit:

- Find a convenient CMOS technology with required features.
- Adopt the device structure with CMOS available features.

## □ Simulation:

- Evaluate device performance integrated with TIA circuit.
- Optimize the design based on simulation results.

