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- Webinars
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- Nanophotonics in the Year of Light
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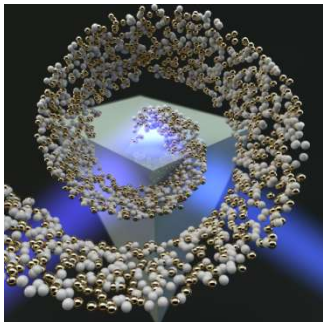
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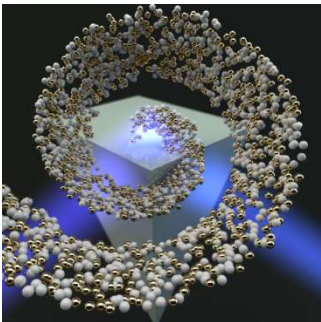
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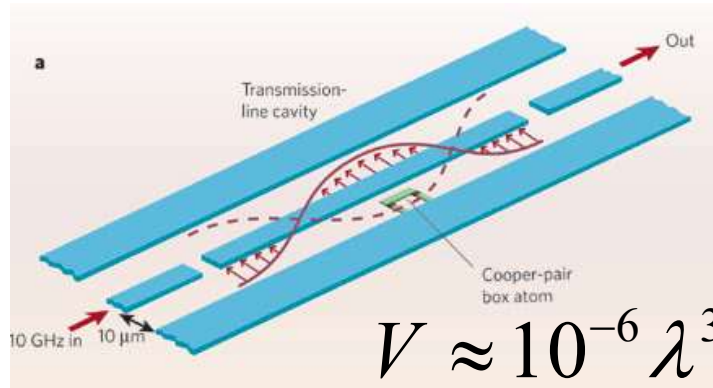
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Mode Volume: Microwave to Optics

$$g \propto \sqrt{\frac{\hbar\omega}{V}}$$

1D Transmission Line Resonator

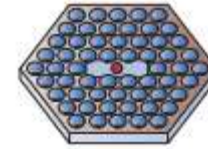
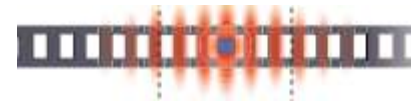


$$V \approx 10^{-6} \lambda^3$$

Circuit QED Regime

$$k_B T_{room} \gg \hbar\omega_{microwave}$$

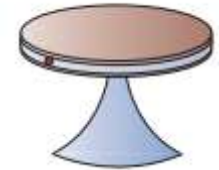
(Yale, ETH Zurich)



$$V \approx 0.5(\lambda/n)^3$$

Photonic Crystals

(Harvard, MIT, Caltech, Stanford)



$$V \approx 15(\lambda/n)^3$$

Microdisk

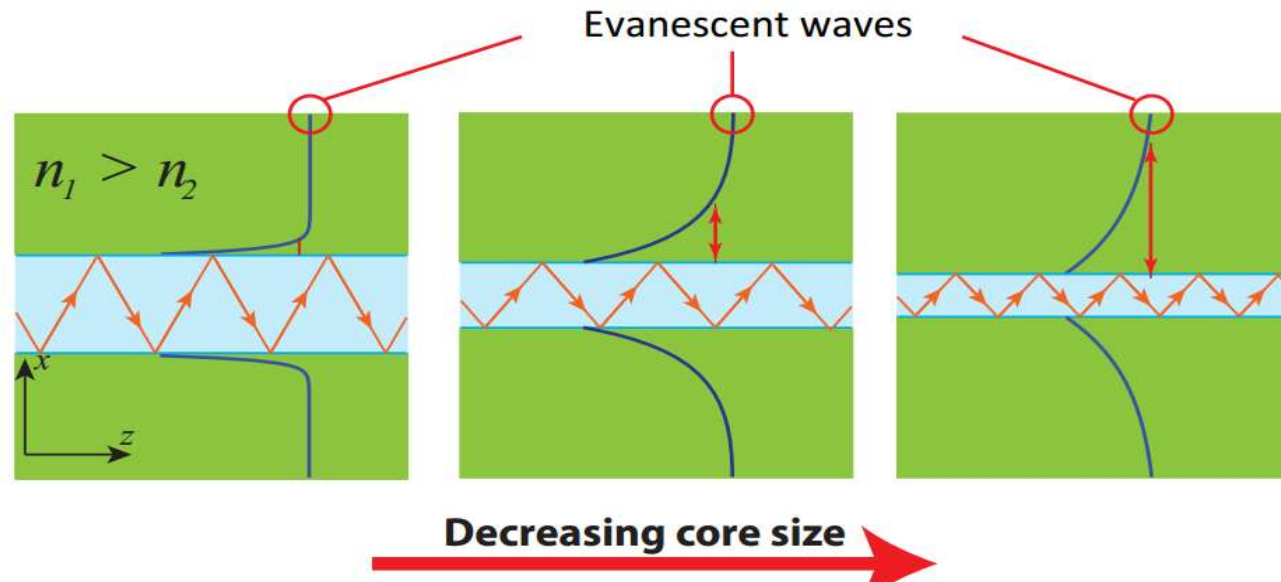
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$$V \sim (\lambda/n)^3$$

Always considered fundamental for photonic mode

Plasmonic modes are sub-diffraction but inherently lossy

What is the challenge?

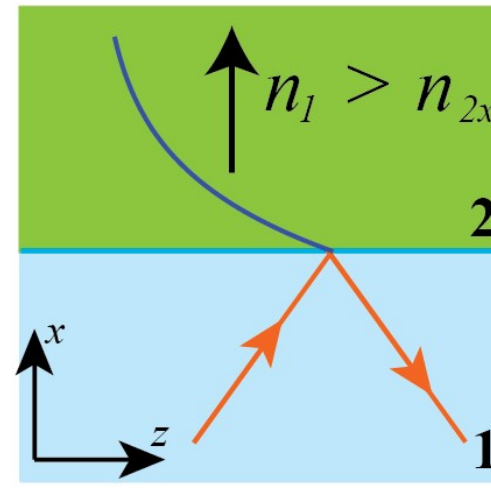
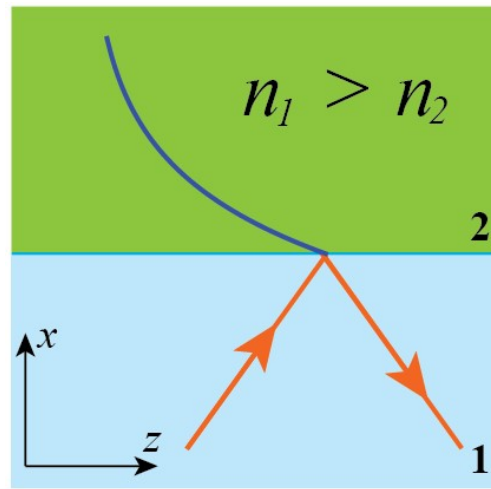


Symmetric waveguide

- No cut-off to lowest order mode

Evanescent waves spread out causing a fundamental limitation to mode volume

Relaxed Total Internal Reflection



Relaxed-TIR: Contrary to popular assumption, the necessary and sufficient condition for total internal reflection of **TM modes** is:

New condition

$$n_1 > n_{2x}$$

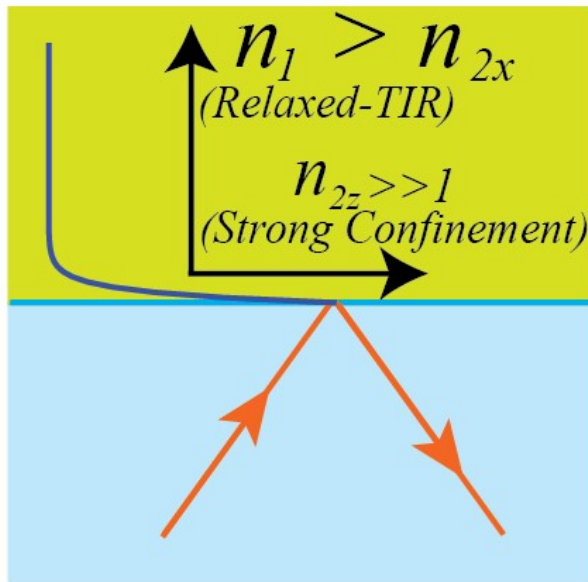
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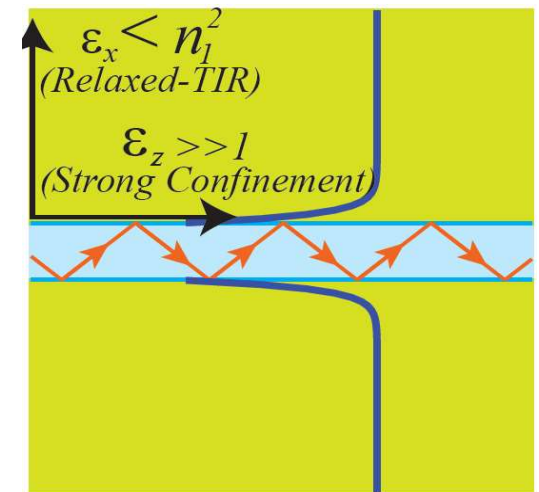
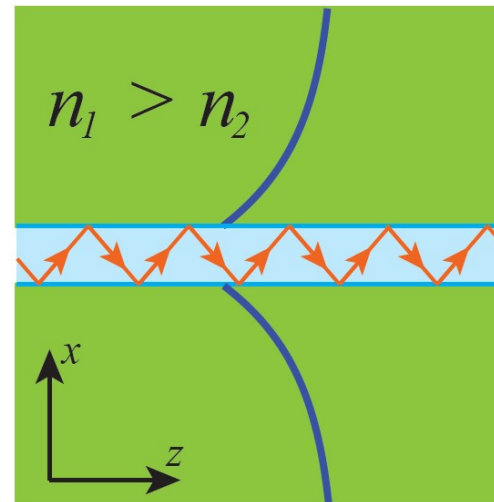
Controlling the momentum of evanescent waves



$$k_x^\perp = \frac{n_z}{n_x} \sqrt{(n_x k_0)^2 - (k_z^\parallel)^2}$$

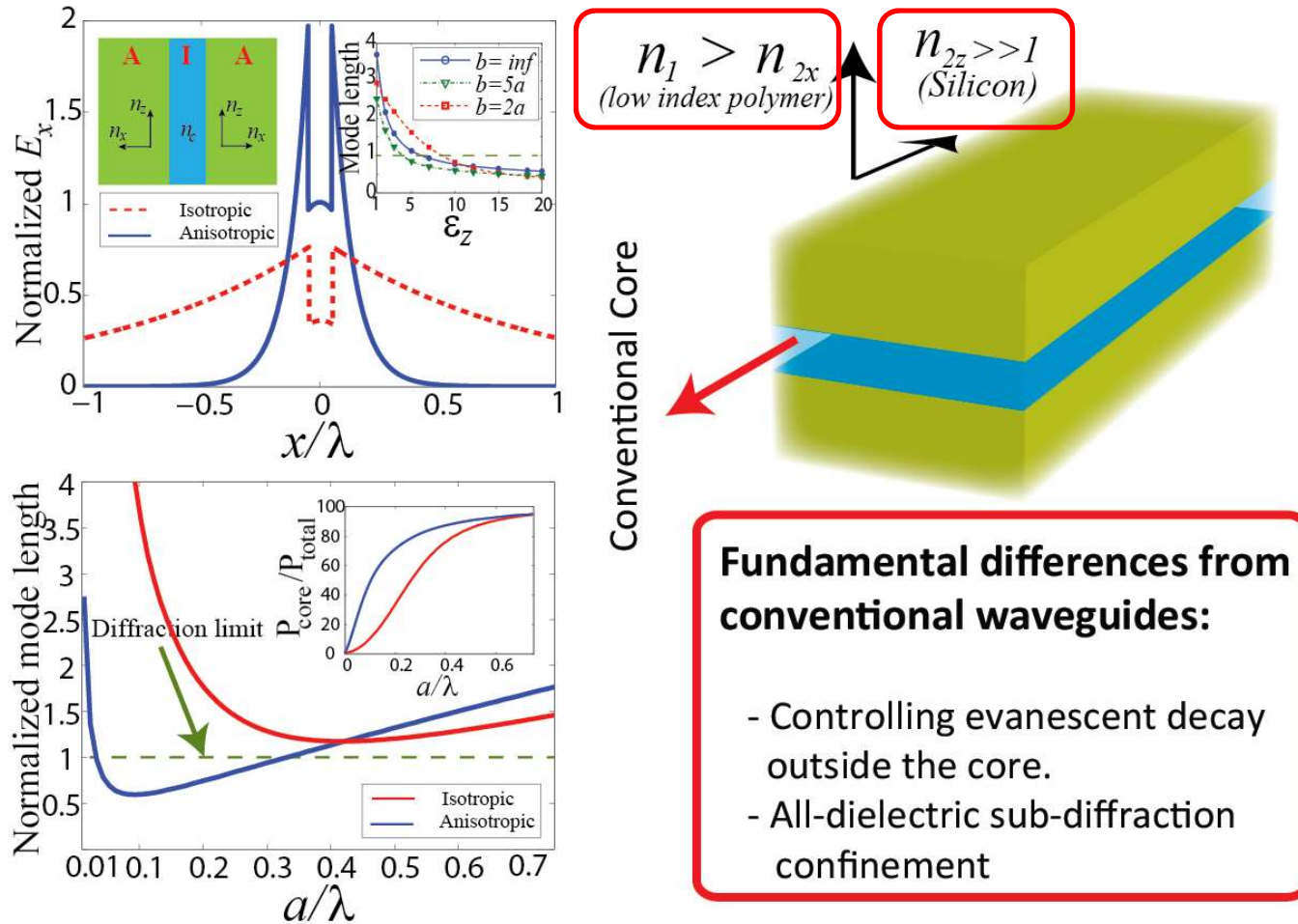
There is one degree of freedom to choose n_z . We can control the momentum of the evanescent wave to decrease the skin depth if:

$$n_{2z} \gg 1$$



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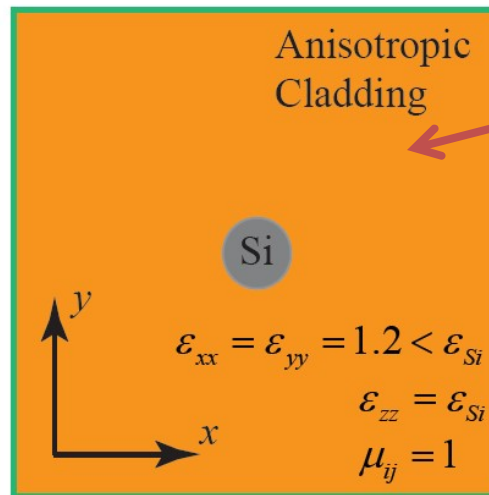
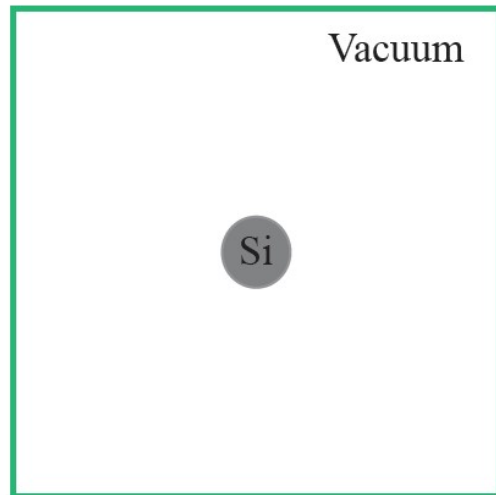
Extreme skin-depth waveguide



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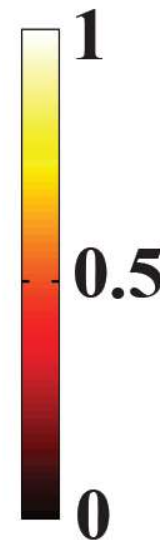
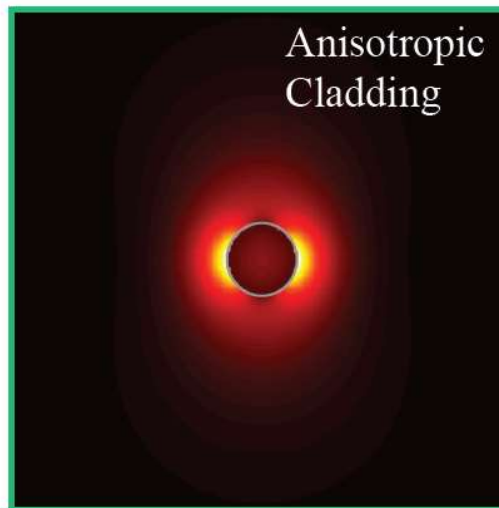
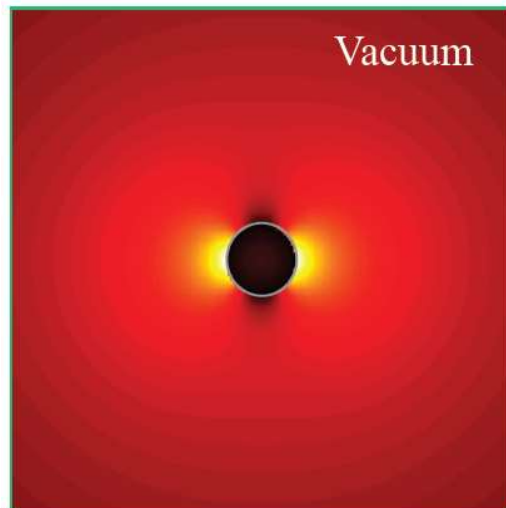
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Better than vacuum?



Extreme skin-depth waveguides

Core average radius: 0.07λ
x-component of Electric Field
Lowest order mode (**HE₁₁**) – no cut-off



Mode area decreases 20 times !

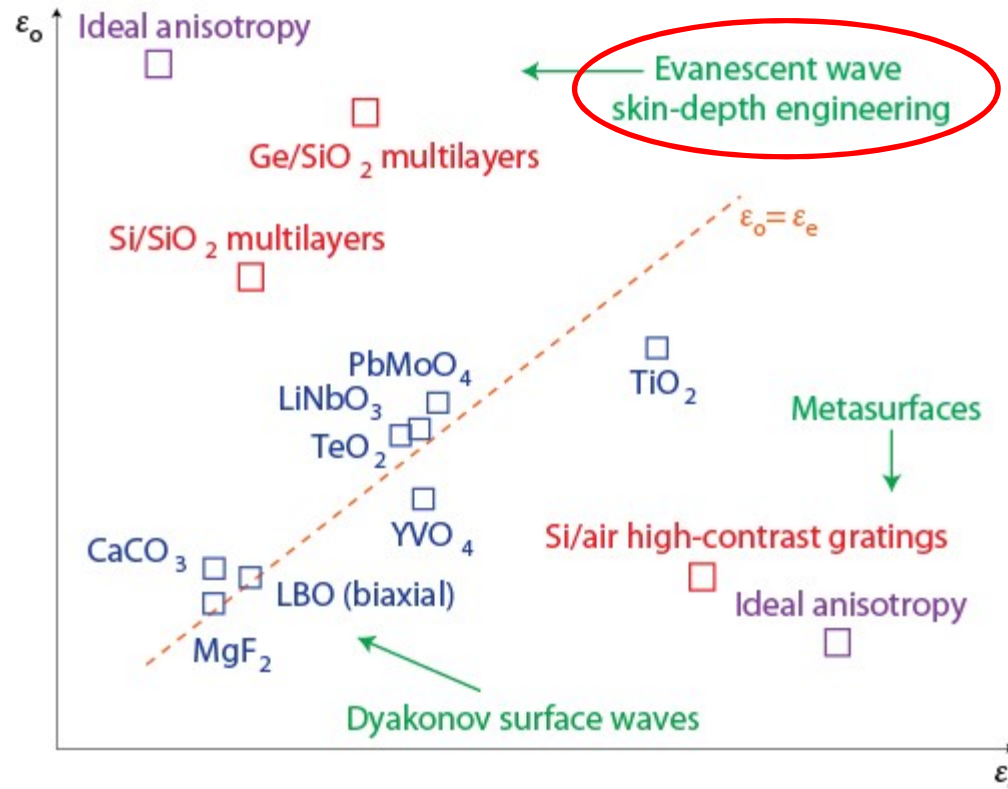
Material like silicon in one direction, like air in the perpendicular direction!

S. Jahani & Z. Jacob, Nature Nanotech. 11, 23-36, (2016)

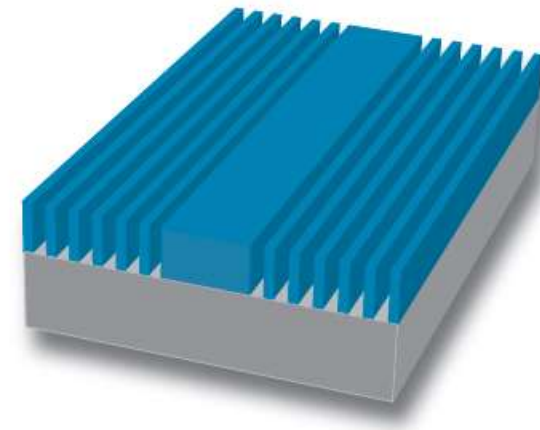
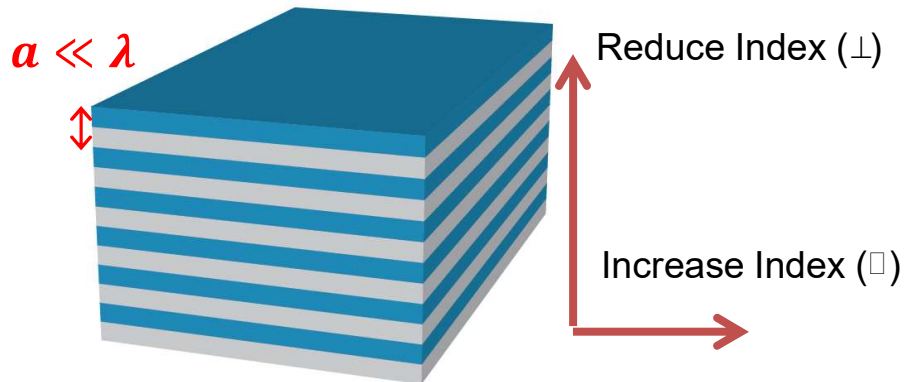
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Need for All-Dielectric Metamaterials

$$\epsilon > 1$$



Practical realization

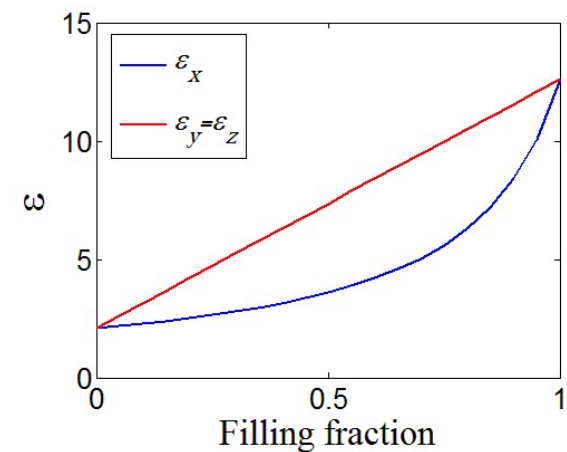


Collaboration with Prof. R. Decorby, Prof. V. Van, Prof. L. Christowski (UBC)

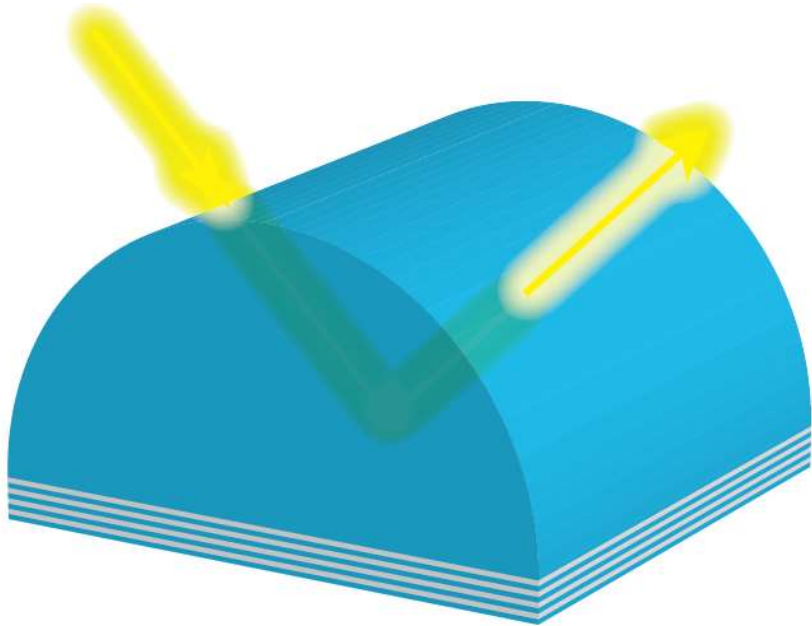
Effective medium theory (EMT):

$$\varepsilon_{\square} = \varepsilon_y = \varepsilon_z = \rho\varepsilon_d + (1 - \rho)\varepsilon_h$$

$$\varepsilon_{\perp} = \varepsilon_x = \frac{\varepsilon_d\varepsilon_h}{(1 - \rho)\varepsilon_d + \rho\varepsilon_h}$$

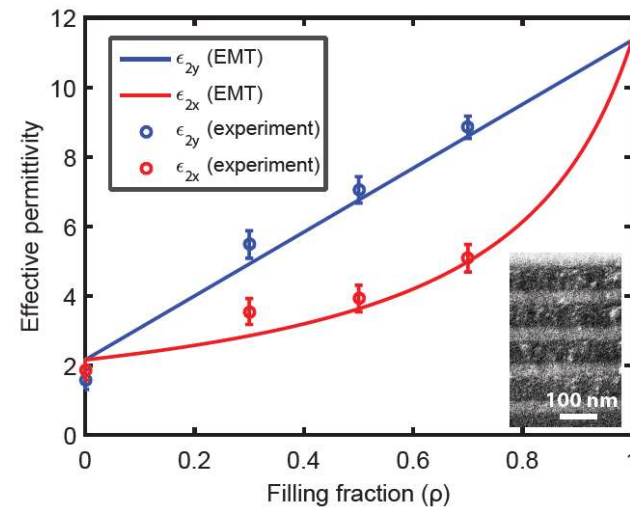
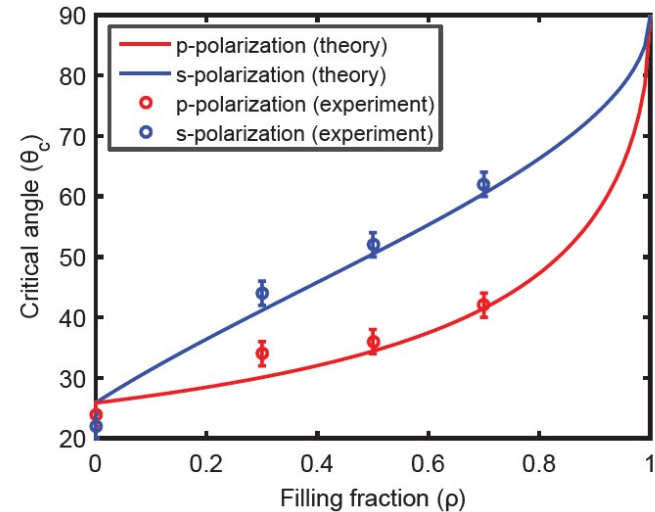


Experimental verification of relaxed-total internal reflection



Collaboration with Prof. R. Decorby's lab
Fabricated by Jonathan Atkinson

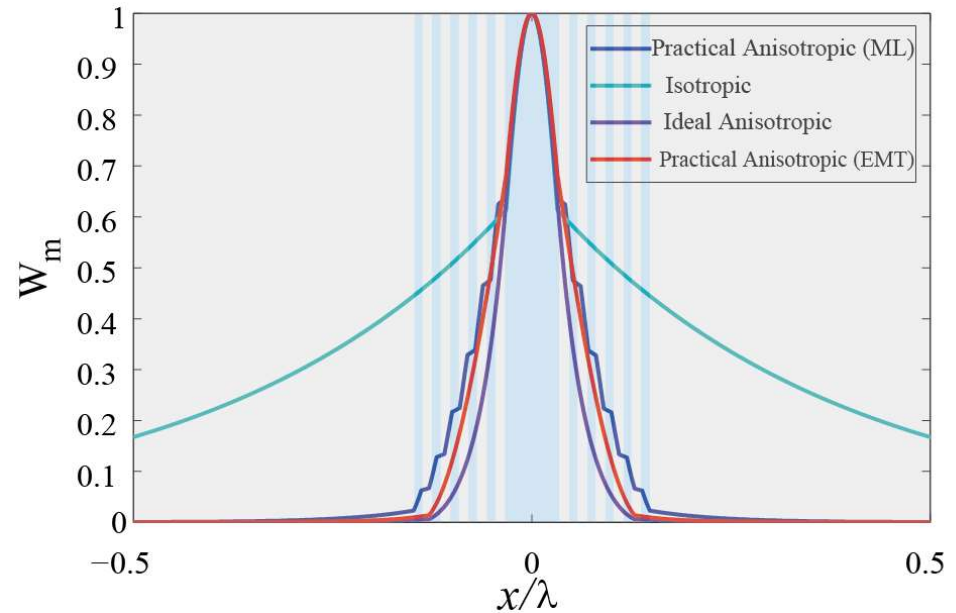
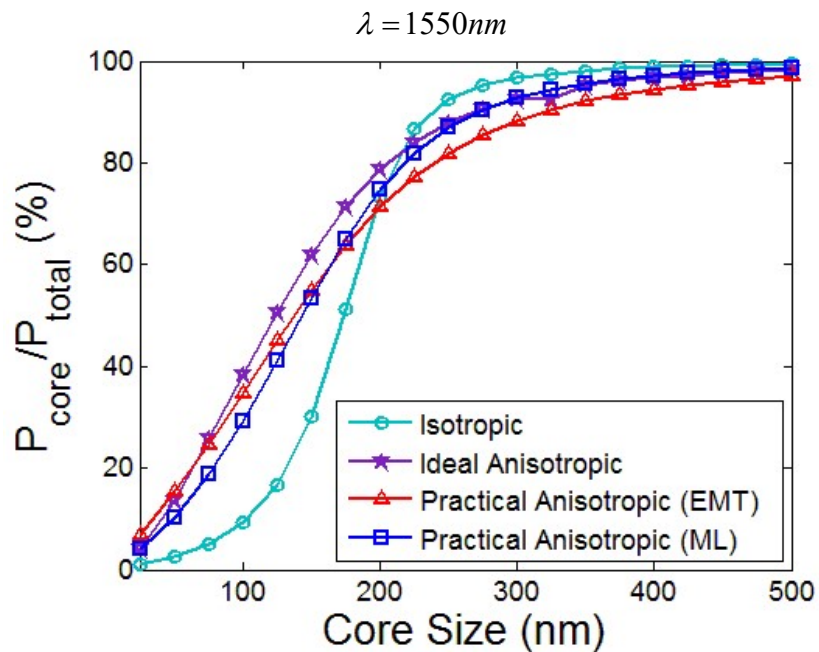
$$\begin{cases} n_1 > \sqrt{\epsilon_y}, & s\text{-polarization} \\ n_1 > \sqrt{\epsilon_x}, & p\text{-polarization} \end{cases}$$



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Practical e-skid waveguides

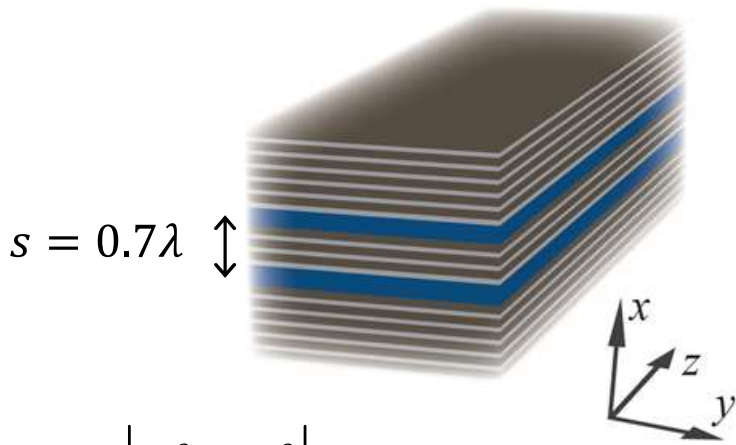


**Mode area
decreases 5 times!**

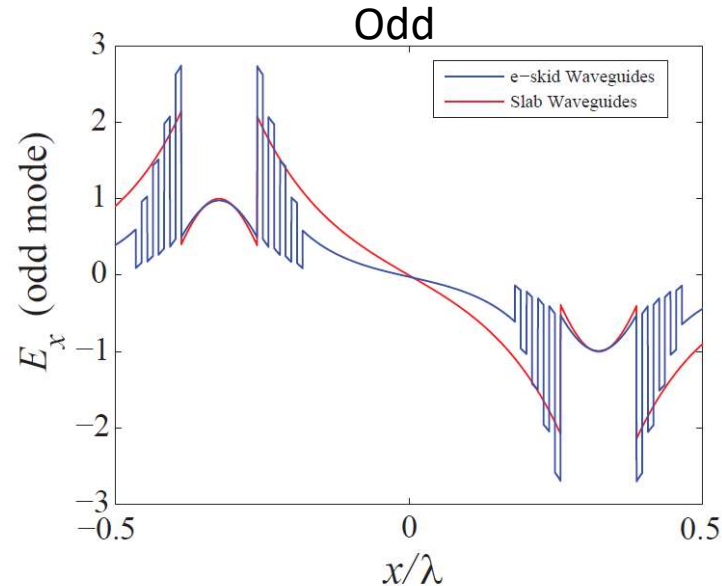
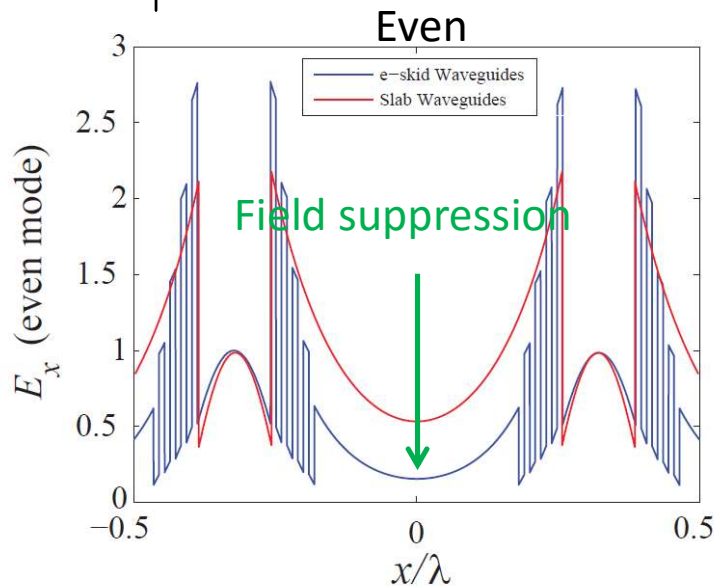
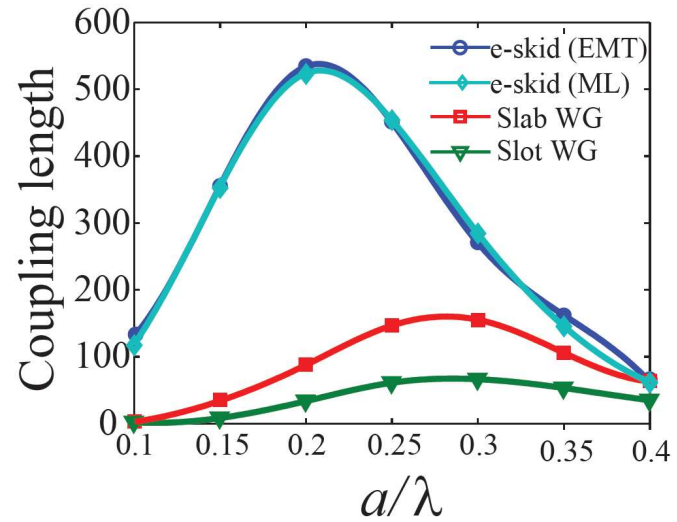
In ideal case, $\epsilon_x = 1.2$ and $\epsilon_z = 12$

In practical case, the cladding is Si/SiO₂ multilayer with Si filling fraction of 0.5.

Cross-talk reduction



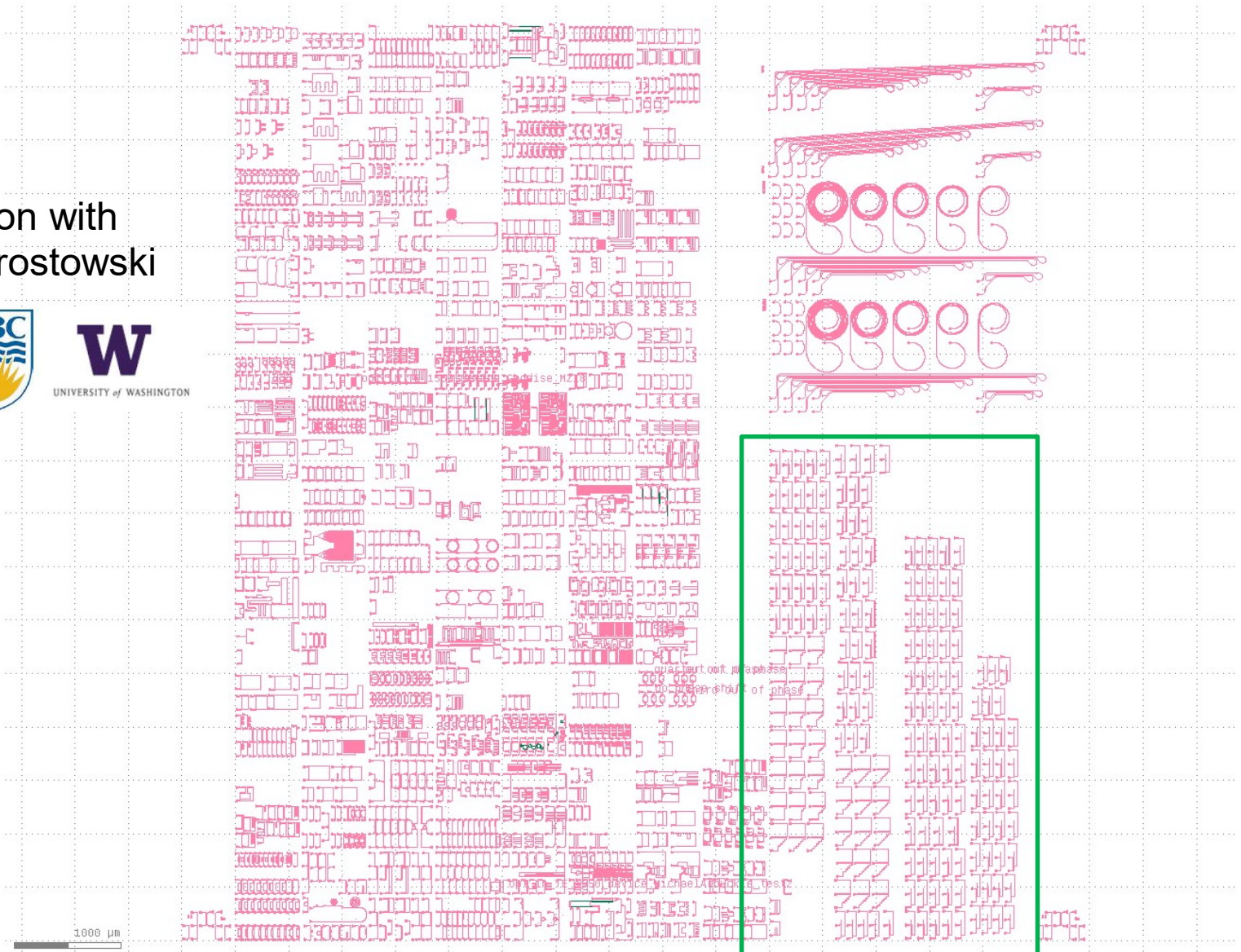
$$L_c \equiv \pi / \left| \beta^e - \beta^o \right|$$



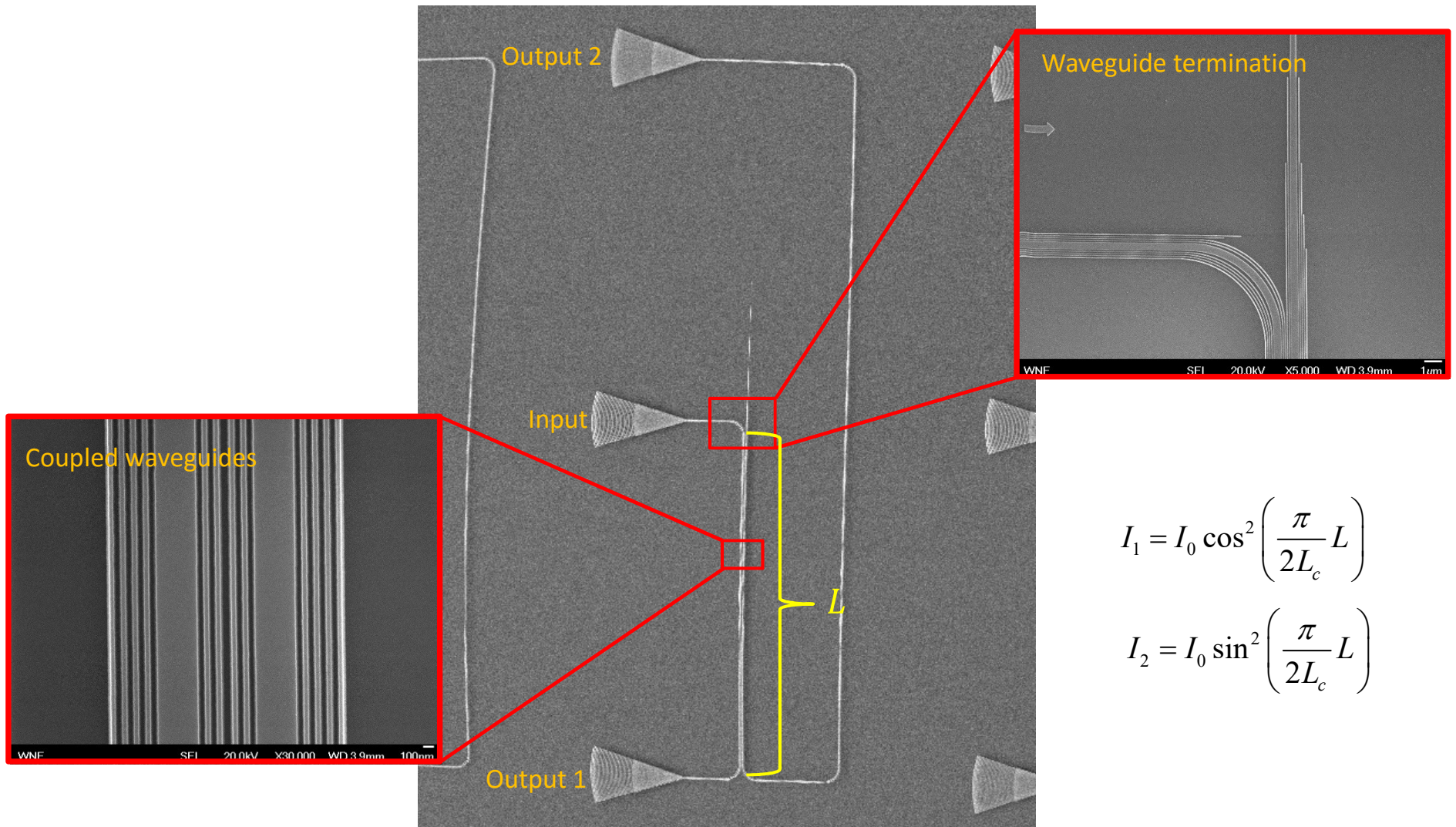
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 Almeida, Vilson R., et al. "Guiding and confining light in void nanostructure." *Optics letters* 29.11 (2004).

Waveguides on SOI platform

Collaboration with
Prof. L. Chrostowski



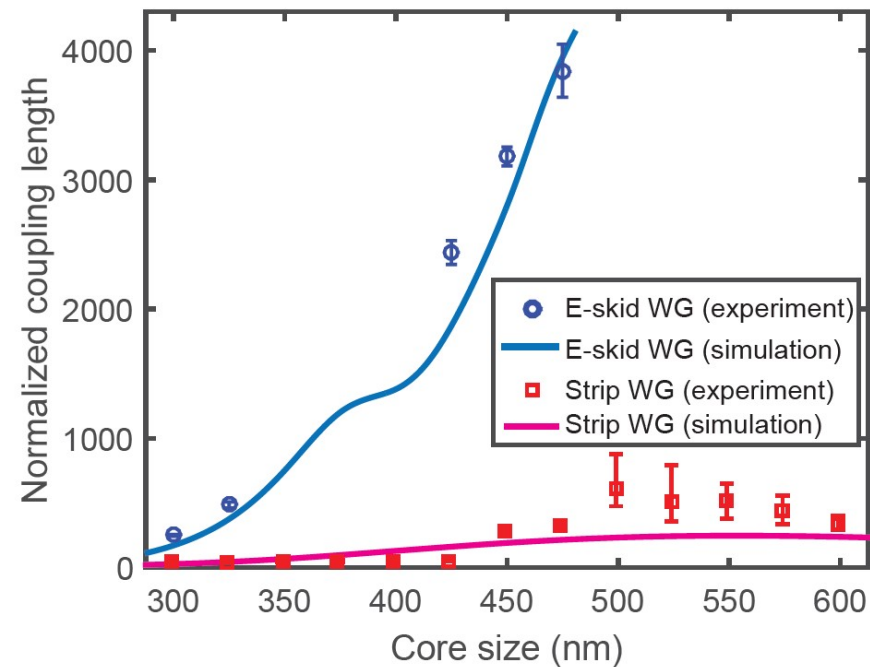
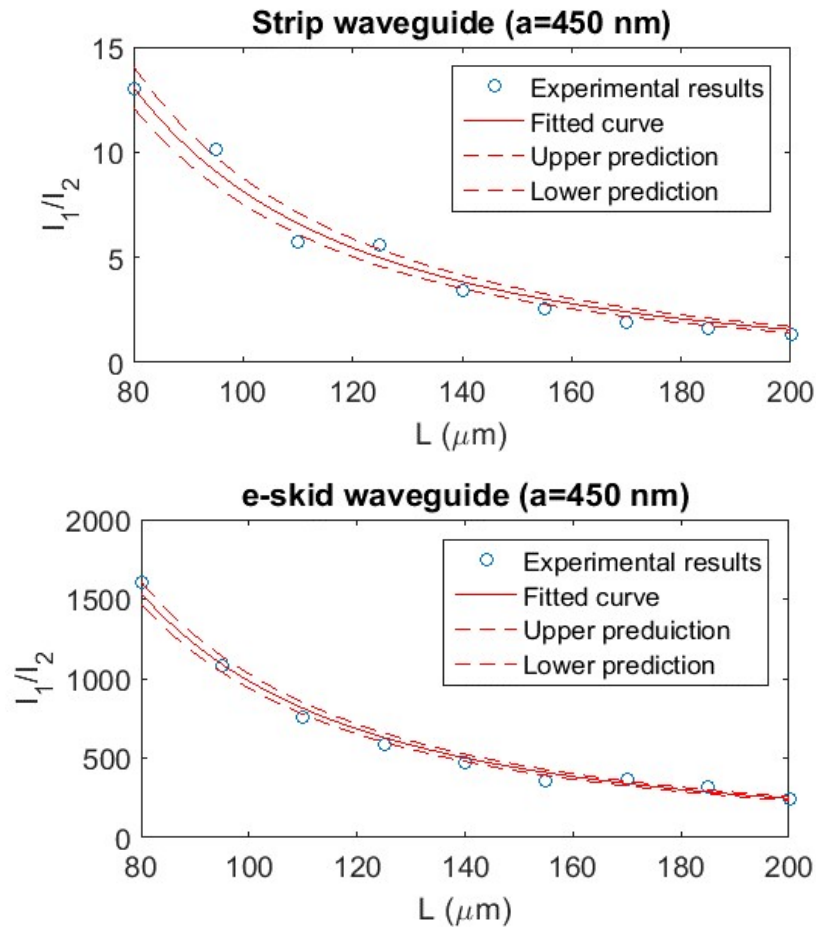
Experimental set-up to measure cross-talk



$$I_1 = I_0 \cos^2\left(\frac{\pi}{2L_c} L\right)$$
$$I_2 = I_0 \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi}{2L_c} L\right)$$

Demonstration of reduced cross-talk

Collaboration with Dr. Sangsik Kim and Prof. Minghao Qi (Purdue)



$$\frac{I_1}{I_2} = \cot^2 \left(\frac{\pi}{2L_c} L \right)$$

Our recent review

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All-dielectric metamaterials

Saman Jahani¹ and Zubin Jacob^{1,2*}

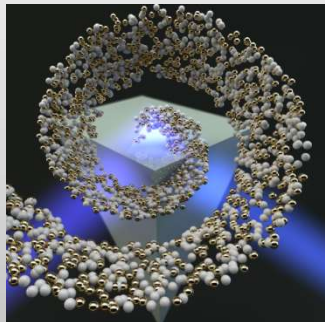
The ideal material for nanophotonic applications will have a large refractive index at optical frequencies, respond to both the electric and magnetic fields of light, support large optical chirality and anisotropy, confine and guide light at the nanoscale, and be able to modify the phase and amplitude of incoming radiation in a fraction of a wavelength. Artificial electromagnetic media, or metamaterials, based on metallic or polar dielectric nanostructures can provide many of these properties by coupling light to free electrons (plasmons) or phonons (phonon polaritons), respectively, but at the inevitable cost of significant energy dissipation and reduced device efficiency. Recently, however, there has been a shift in the approach to nanophotonics. Low-loss electromagnetic responses covering all four quadrants of possible permittivities and permeabilities have been achieved using completely transparent and high-refractive-index dielectric building blocks. Moreover, an emerging class of all-dielectric metamaterials consisting of anisotropic crystals has been shown to support large refractive index contrast between orthogonal polarizations of light. These advances have revived the exciting prospect of integrating exotic electromagnetic effects in practical photonic devices, to achieve, for example, ultrathin and efficient optical elements, and realize the long-standing goal of subdiffraction confinement and guiding of light without metals. In this Review, we present a broad outline of the whole range of electromagnetic effects observed using all-dielectric metamaterials: high-refractive-index nanoresonators, metasurfaces, zero-index metamaterials and anisotropic metamaterials. Finally, we discuss current challenges and future goals for the field at the intersection with quantum, thermal and silicon photonics, as well as biomimetic metasurfaces.

**S. Jahani & Z. Jacob,
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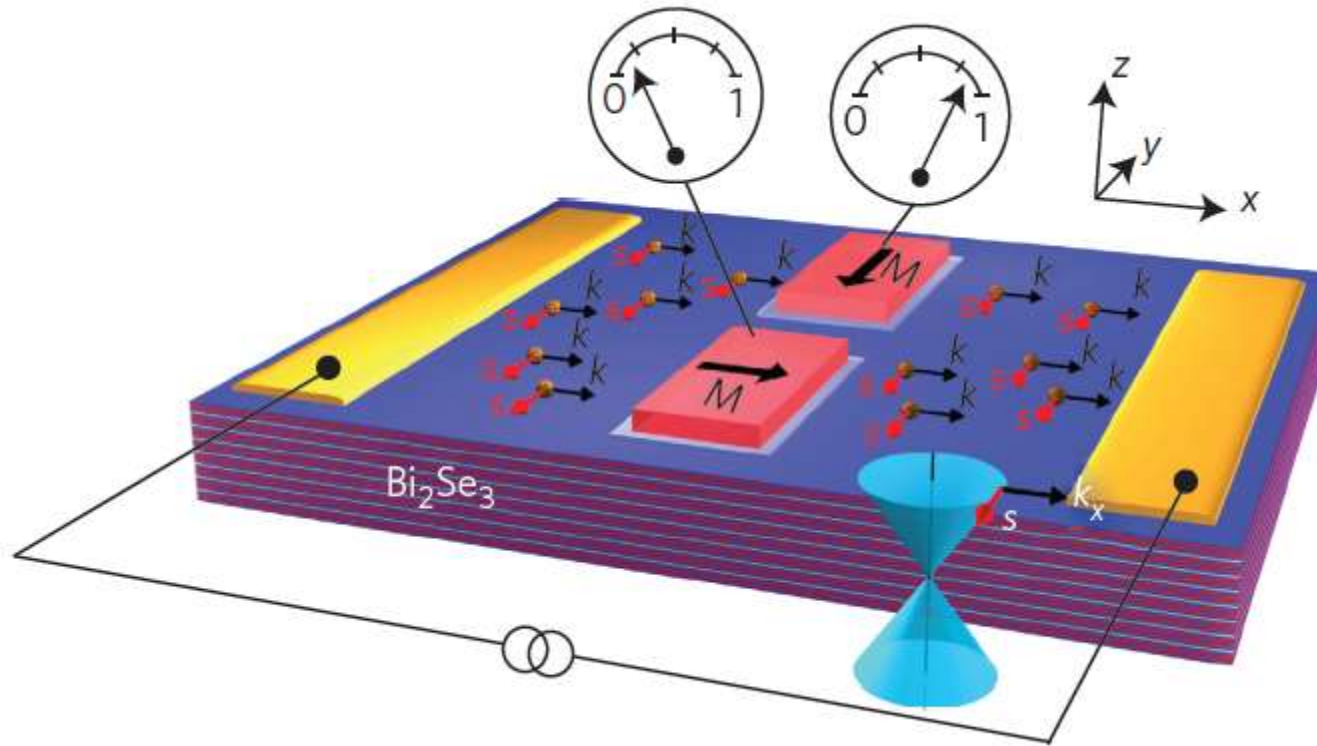


**UNIVERSAL
SPIN-MOMENTUM LOCKING
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Zubin Jacob

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Spin-Momentum Locking: Electrons

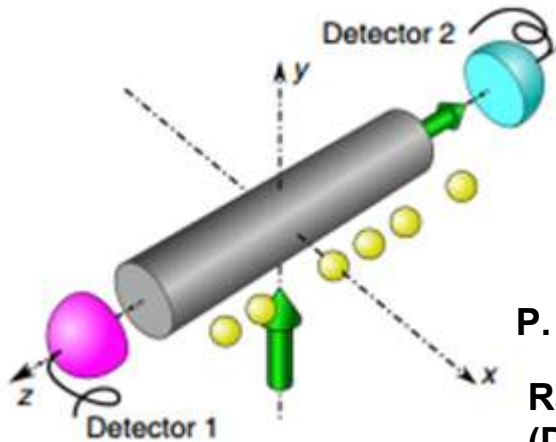


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Topological Insulators: Bismuth Selenide

Quantum spin-hall state: Mercury Cadmium Telluride quantum wells

Spin-Momentum Locking: Light



P. Schneeweiss

Rauschenbeutel Group
(Dec 2014, Nat. Comm.)

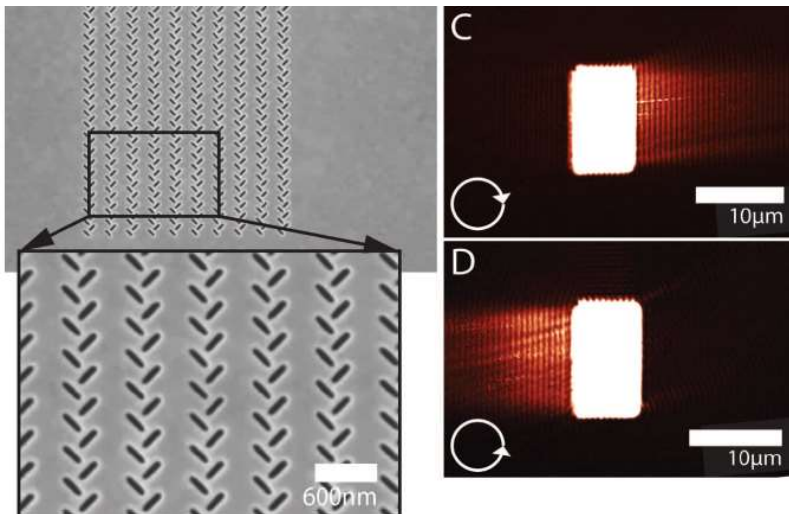
Cold atoms trapped near a nano-fiber



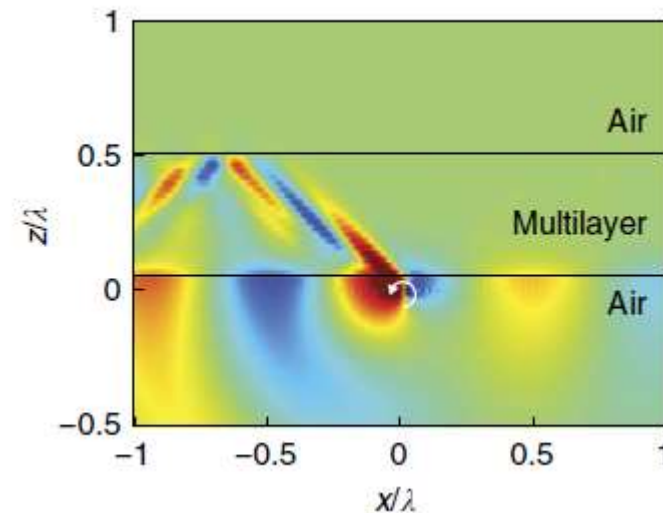
HE 11 mode



Emission in only one direction!



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See also:
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Kuippers Group
Zheludev Group
Giessen Group
Lukin Group

Our claim: Fundamental origin of the above phenomena are properties of evanescent waves

What is the origin?

2 recent independent interpretations

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REPORT

Quantum spin Hall effect of light

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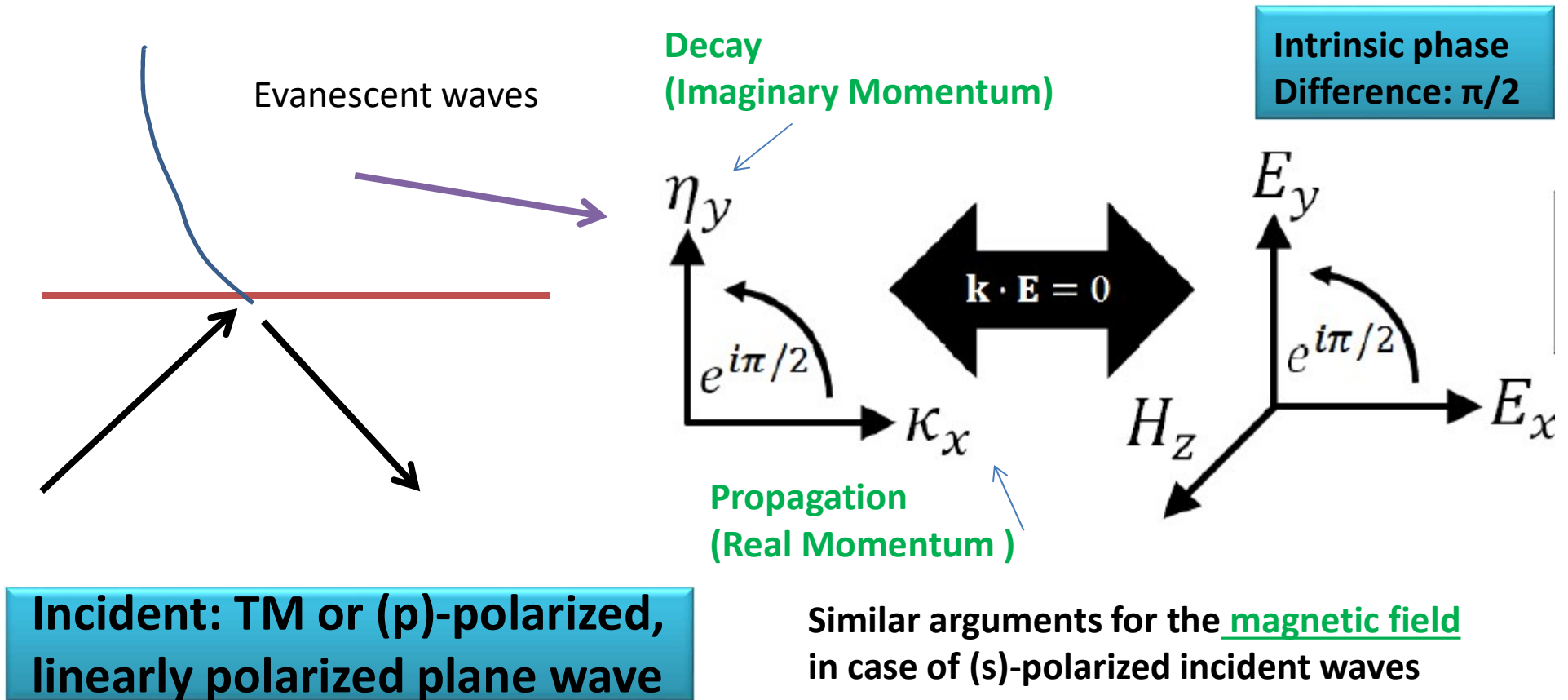
Universal spin-momentum locking of evanescent waves

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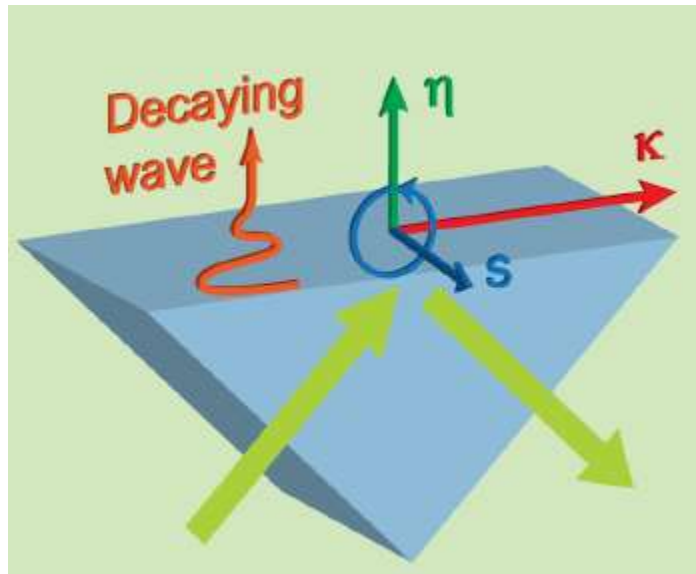
Causality!

Total Internal Reflection



Intrinsic local polarization

Stokes parameters in terms of the pauli matrices



$$S_0 = \langle \psi | I | \psi \rangle$$

$$S_1 = \langle \psi | \sigma_z | \psi \rangle$$

$$S_2 = \langle \psi | \sigma_x | \psi \rangle$$

$$S_3 = \langle \psi | \sigma_y | \psi \rangle$$

Degree of
Circular polarization



$$\psi = \begin{bmatrix} E_x \\ E_y \end{bmatrix}$$

Electric Spin
(p)-polarized wave

$$\psi = \begin{bmatrix} H_x \\ H_y \end{bmatrix}$$

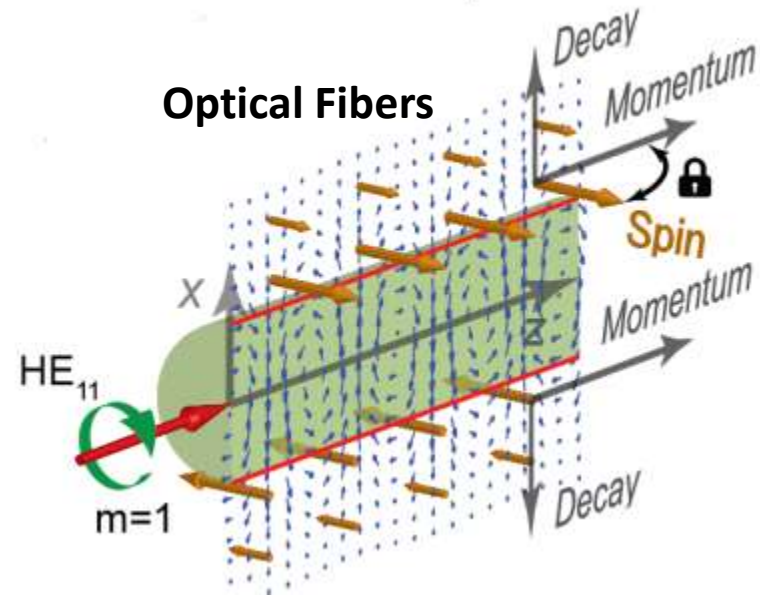
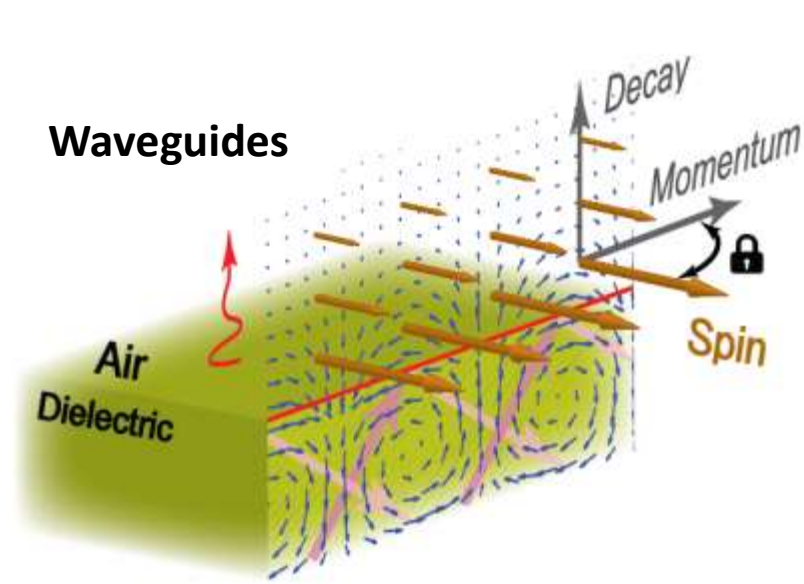
Magnetic Spin
(s)-polarized wave

**Defined at a fixed point in space
near the interface**

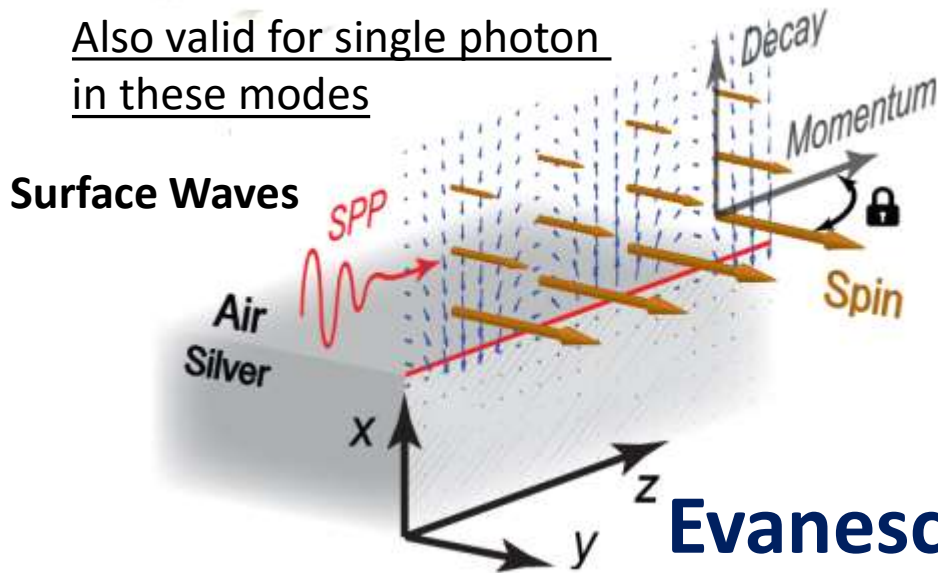
T. V. Mechelen & Z. Jacob, *Optica* 3 (2), 118-126 (2016)
F. Kalhor & Z. Jacob *Appl. Phys. Lett.* 108, 061102 (2016)

See also work from :
K. Bliokh (Japan), S. Barnett (U.K.)

New EM Triplet: Decay, Momentum, Spin



Also valid for single photon
in these modes



Intrinsic
Polarization
axis

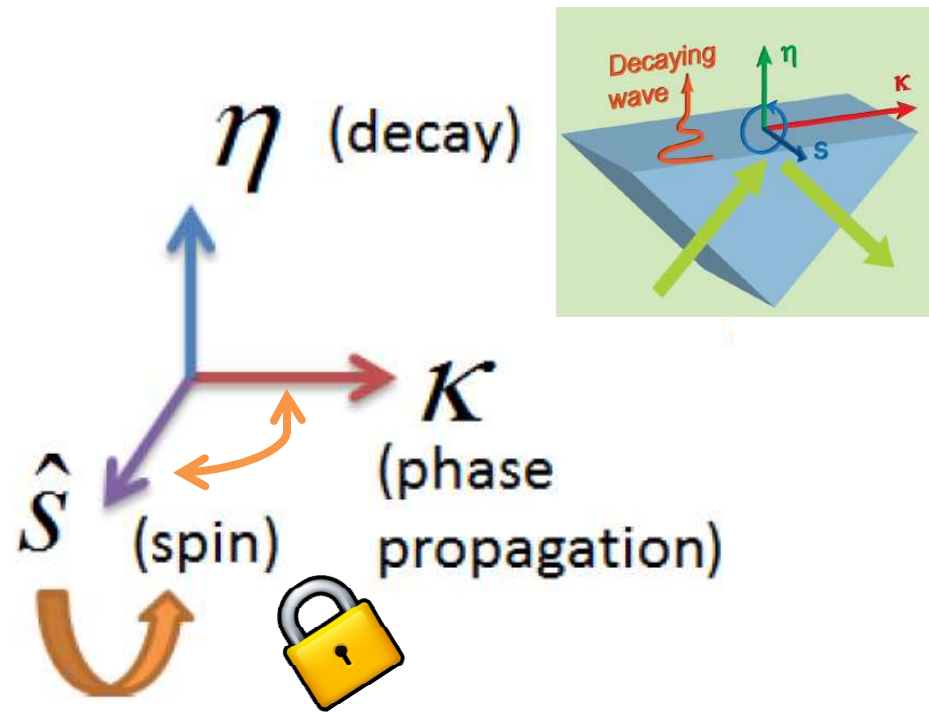
Momentum

Decay

$$\hat{s} = \frac{\text{Re } \vec{k} \times \text{Im } \vec{k}}{|\text{Re } \vec{k} \times \text{Im } \vec{k}|}$$

Evanescent Waves

Why is the locking universal?

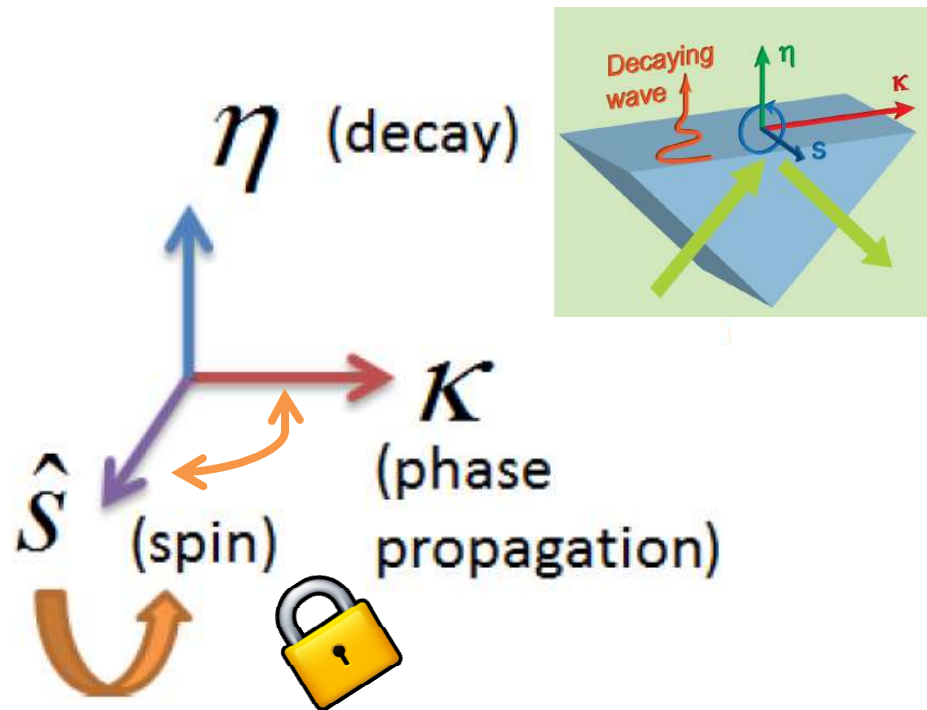


(Label evanescent waves with transverse spin)

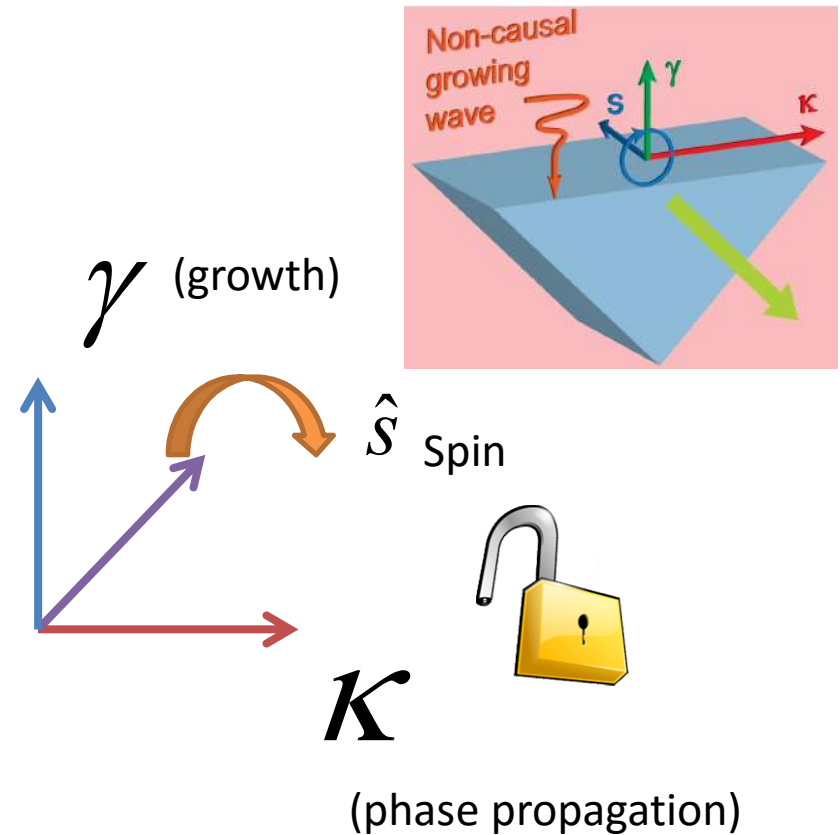
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Why is the locking universal?



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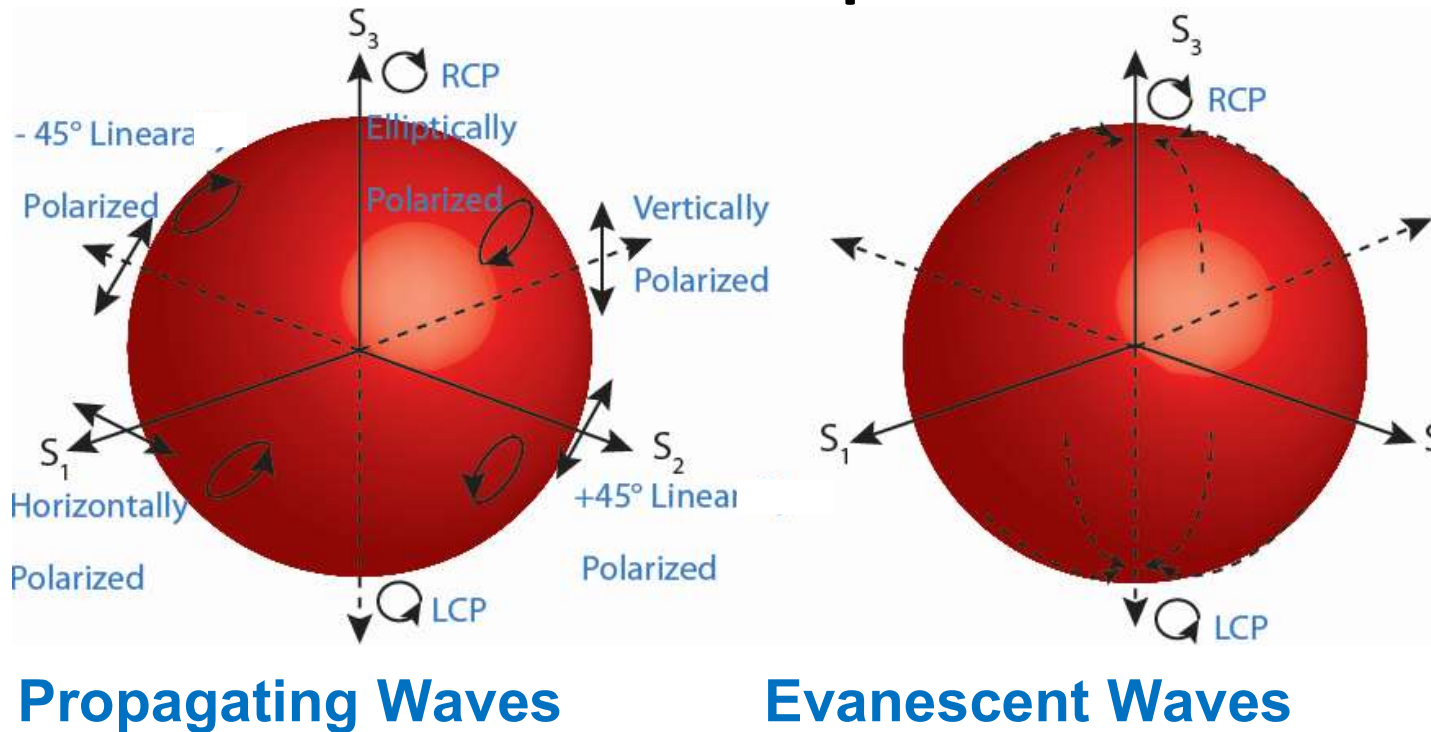


Growing evanescent wave (not allowed by causal boundary conditions!)

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Poincare sphere



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$$S^3 \rightarrow \pm 1$$

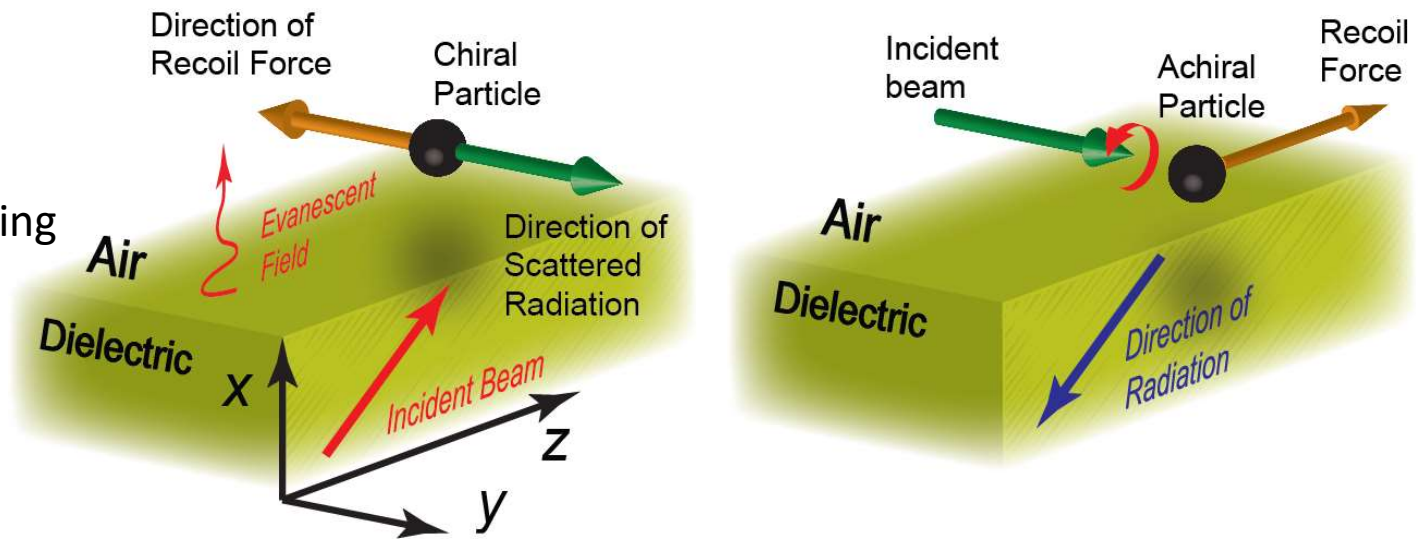
**Comes from causality
 hence is fundamental for
 all evanescent waves !**

(defined locally,
 generalization to evanescent waves)

Spin-momentum locked optical forces

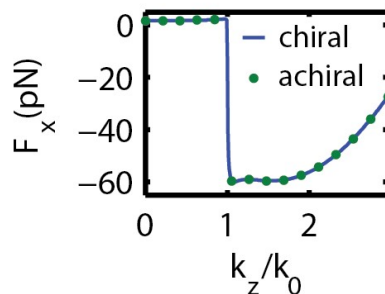
EM
Stress Tensor
Carries Information
About
Spin-momentum locking

$$\begin{bmatrix} \vec{p} \\ \vec{m} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_{ee} & i\alpha_{em} \\ -i\alpha_{em} & \alpha_{mm} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \vec{E} \\ \vec{H} \end{bmatrix}$$

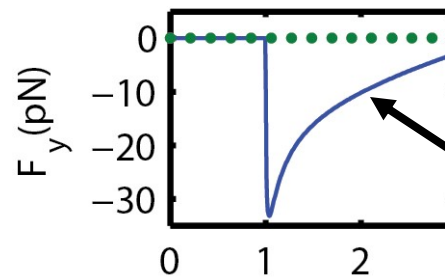


Force in unique transverse direction (explained by spin-momentum locking)

$$p = 50 \text{ mW/mm}^2$$



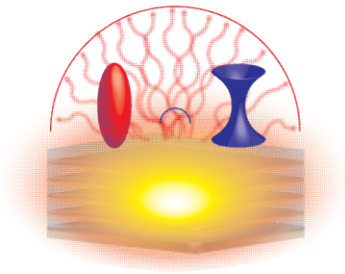
Conventional optical force (x-axis)



Unique lateral direction force (y-axis)

Only occurs beyond the TIR angle

RECENT RESEARCH HIGHLIGHTS



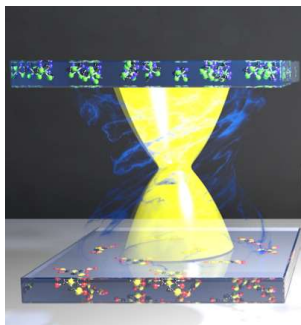
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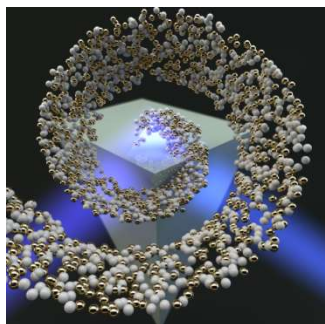
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