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 Recent progress on high-Q photonic crystal nanocavities: Photolithographic fabrication and reconfigurable system

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3. Controlling the randomness: EO modulator
4. 8-ch in-plane DWDM DEMUX
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6. Summary

Motivation: Si-photonics vs. PhC



Si-photonics

Photonic crystals

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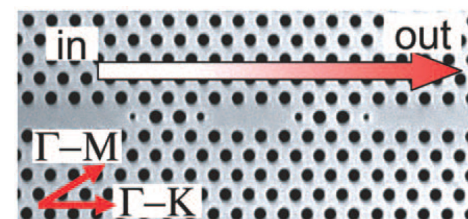
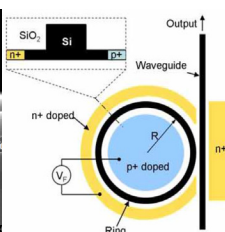
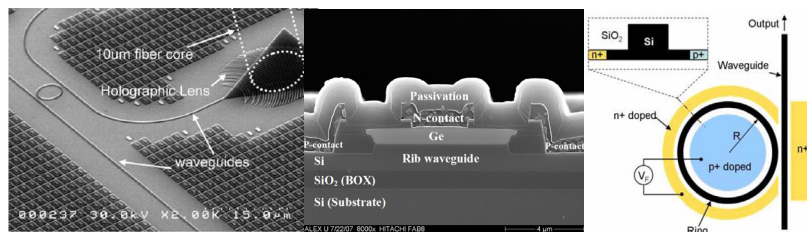
Photolithography

EB-lithography

2.

SiO₂-cladding

Air-bridge



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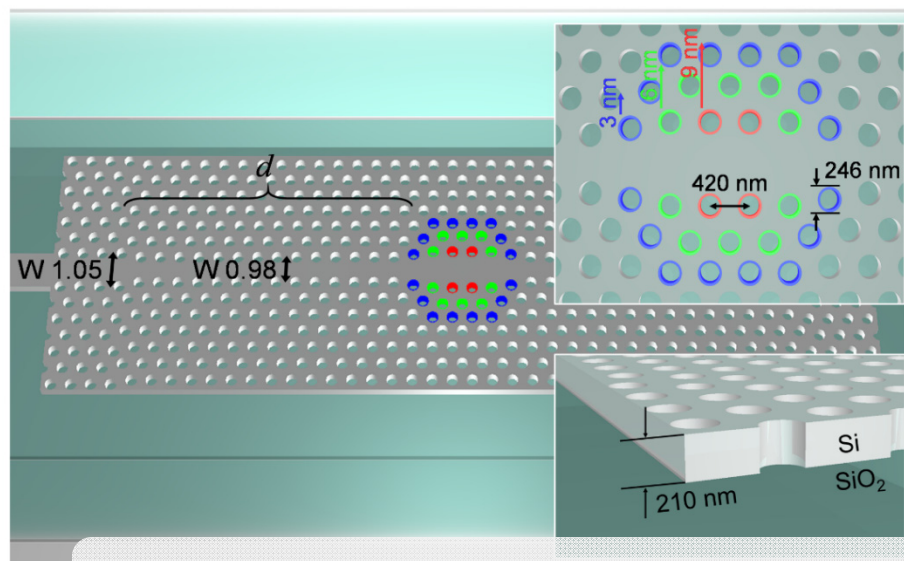
Fusion of

Si-photonics & Photonics crystals

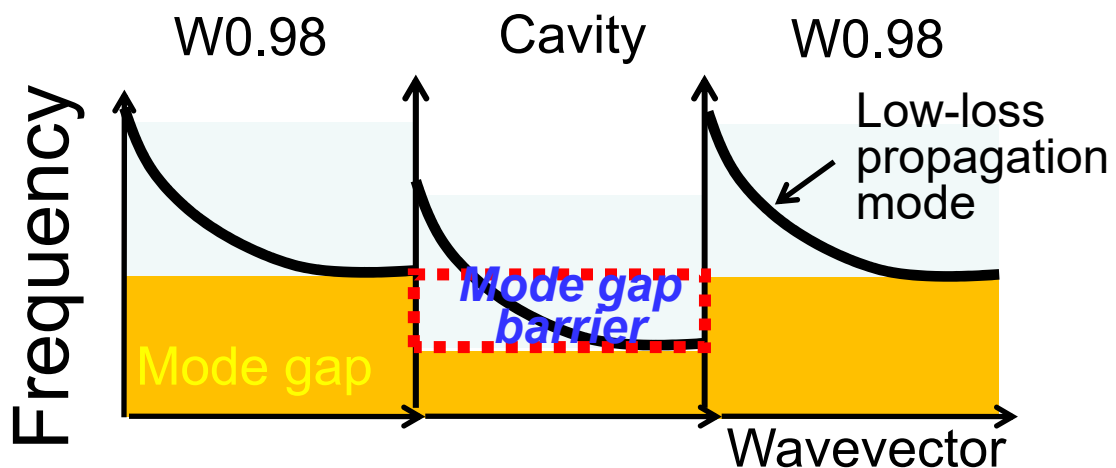
Design & Simulation



- Width-modulated line defect cavity T. Tanabe, *et al.*, Nature Photon. 1, 47 (2007).



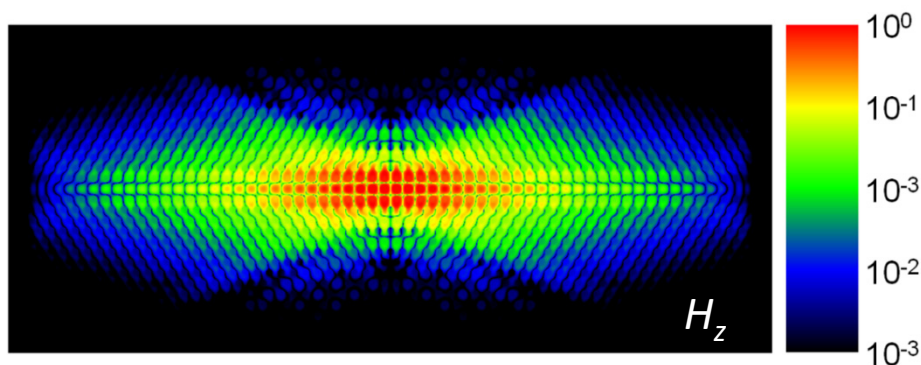
Principle of confinement



Photolithographic fabrication? & Dielectric cladding?

- FDTD – w/ SiO₂ cladding

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Optimized structure

$$Q = 7.1 \times 10^6 \quad V = 2.4 (\lambda/n)^3$$

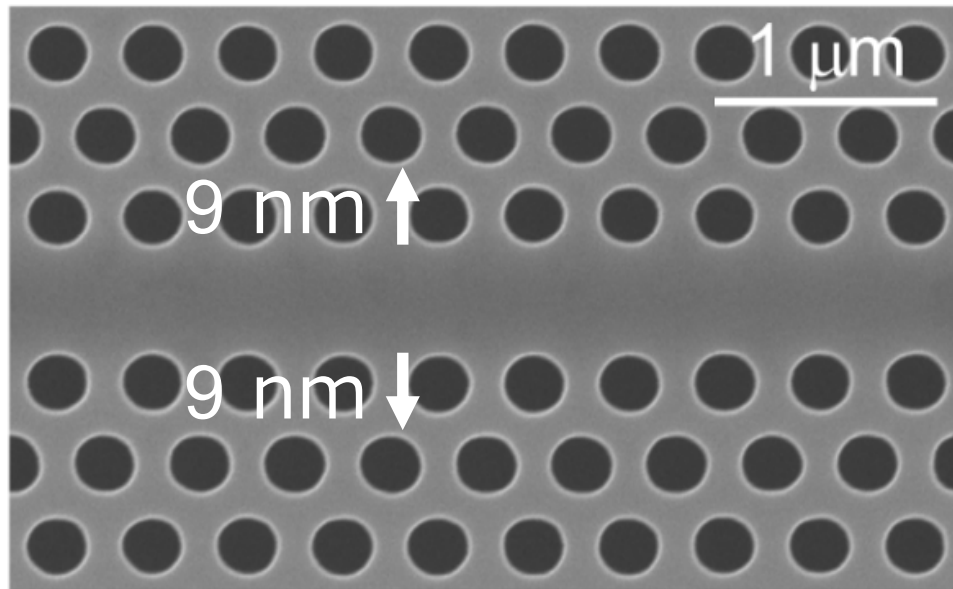
Fabricated parameter

$$Q = 8.1 \times 10^5 \quad V = 1.7 (\lambda/n)^3$$

Photolithographic fabrication & proximity effect

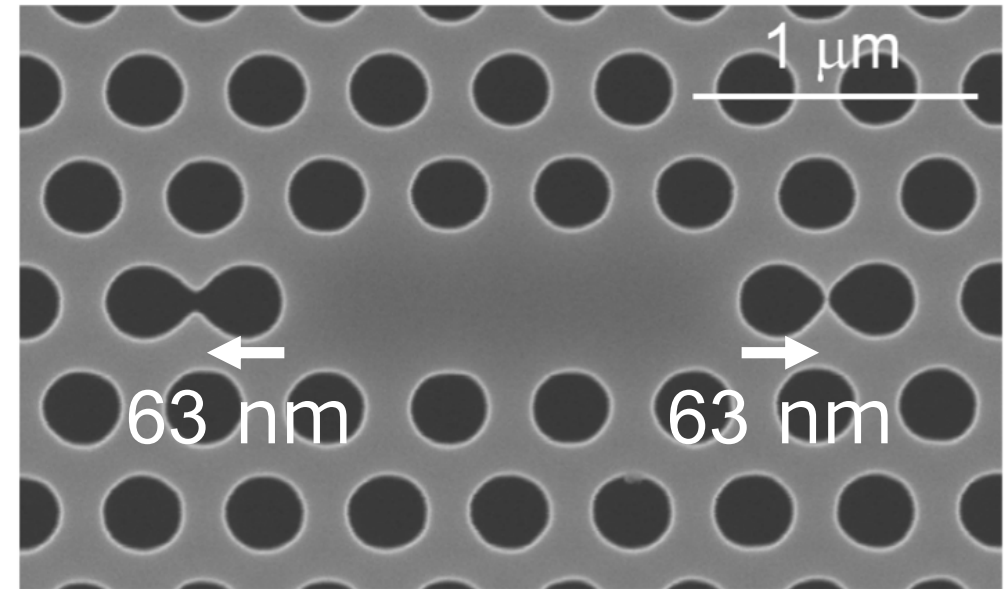
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SEM images (effect of fabrication error)



Width-modulated line defect cavity

Max amount of shift : **9 nm**



L3 cavity

Max amount of shift : **63 nm**

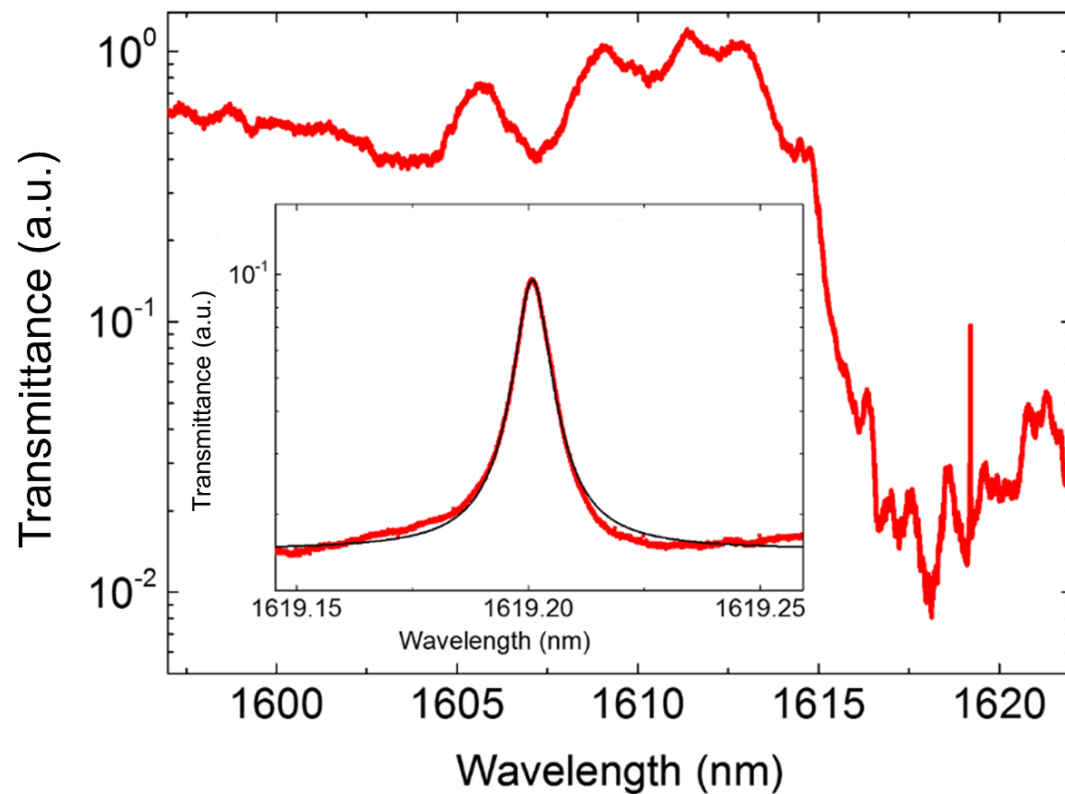
Width-modulated line defect cavity is
robust against the proximity effect

Experiment: High-Q demonstration

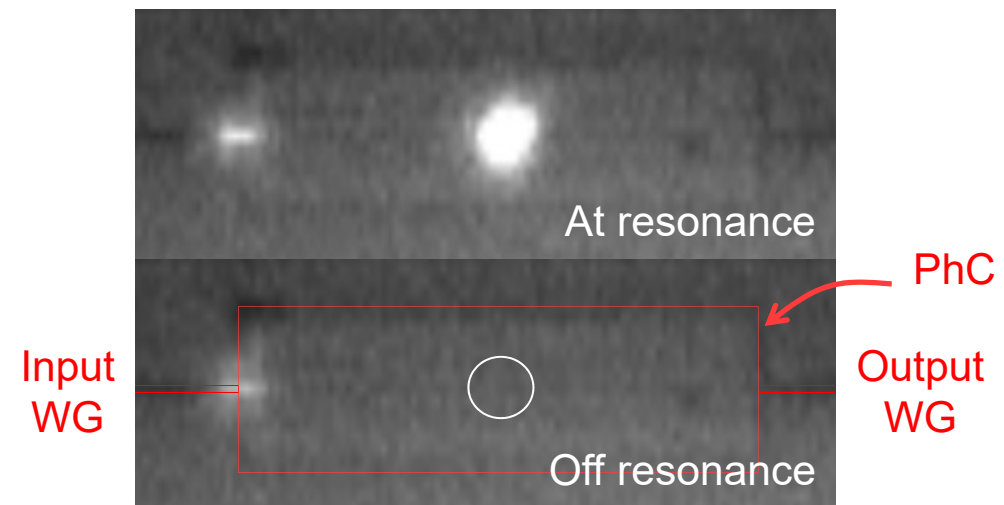


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Transmission spectrum



Top view



and w/ SiO_2 -cladding!!

The highest Q w/ photolithography

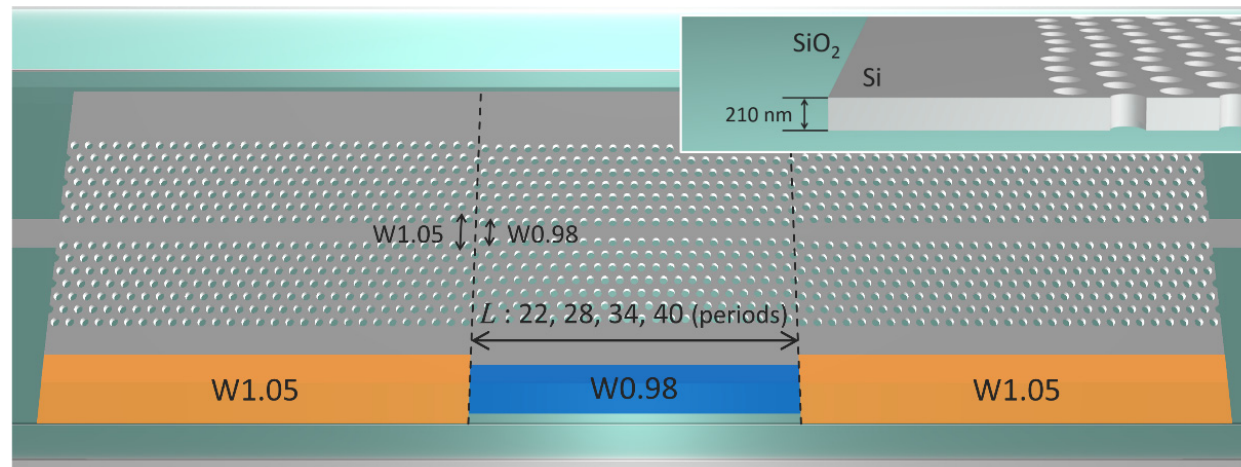
$$Q = 2.2 \times 10^5$$



Managing the randomness

Design of our device

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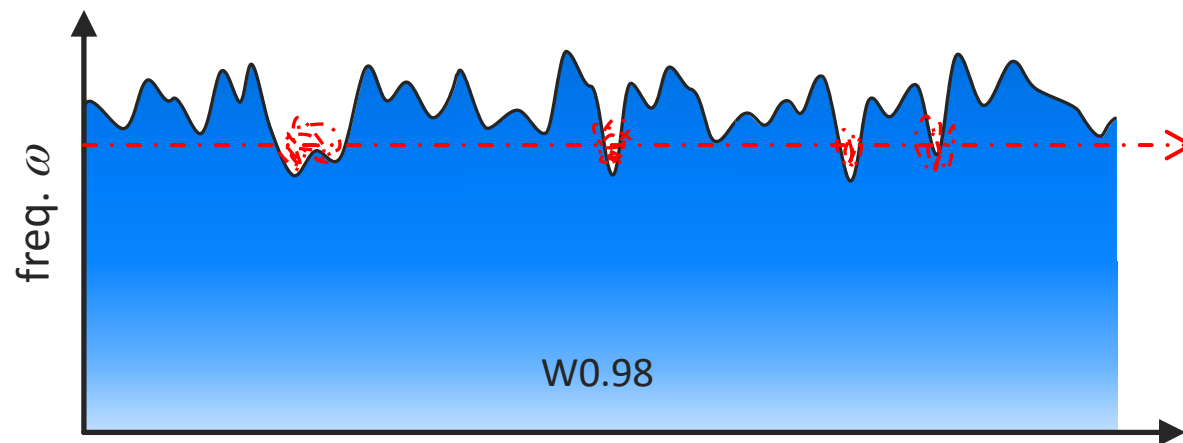


Waveguide width

W1.05 → wide

W0.98 → narrow

Cutoff frequency (mode gap)



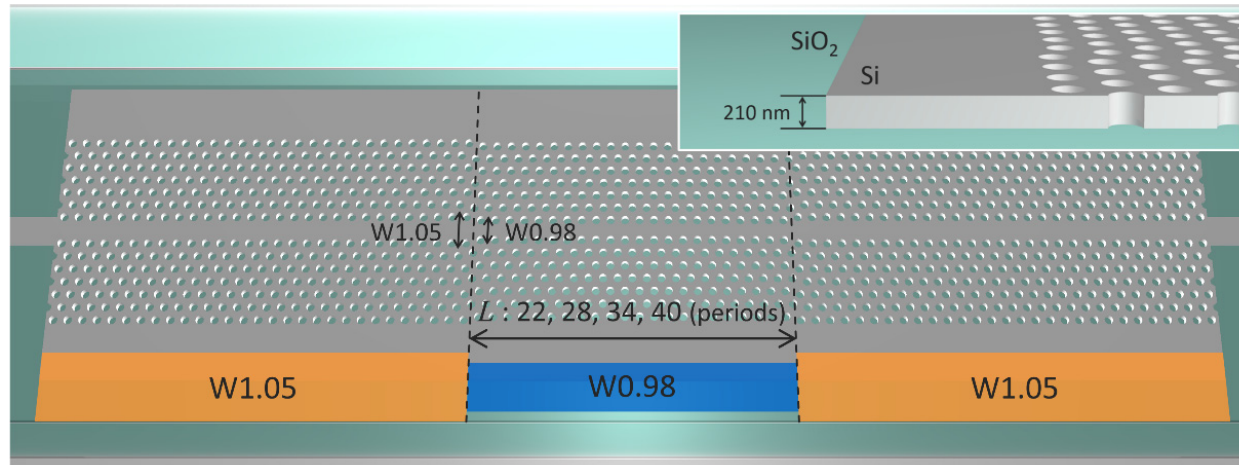
Position of light localization
occurs randomly in W0.98



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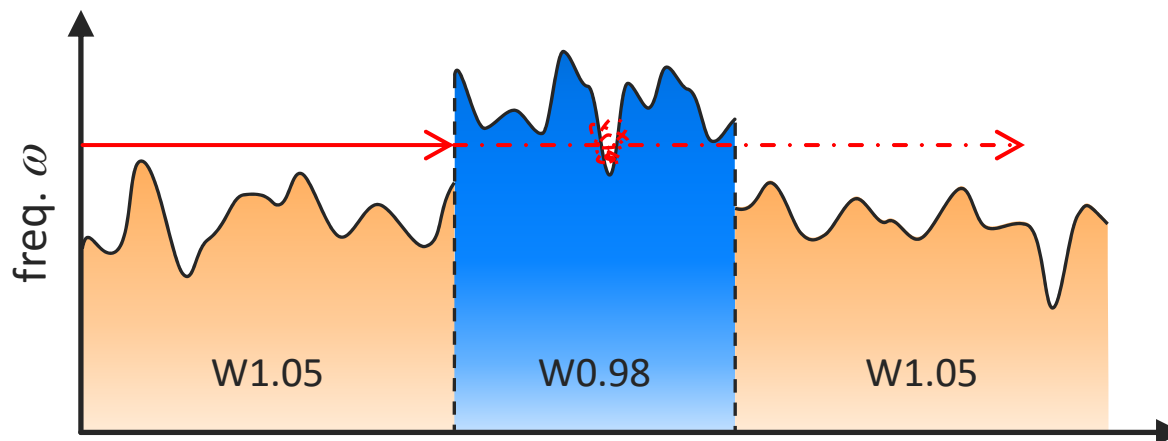


Waveguide width

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Cutoff frequency (mode gap)



Position of light localization
occurs only in W0.98



The effect of randomness occurs in a
limited area (controlled way)

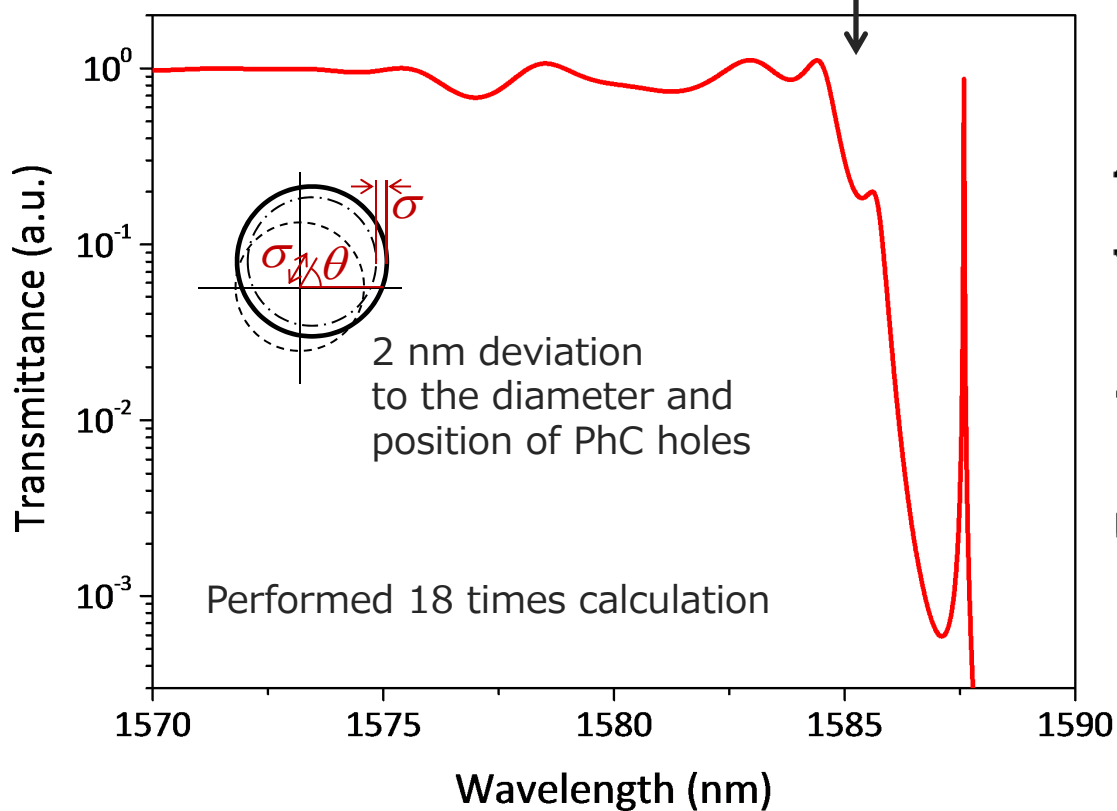
Theory & experimental result



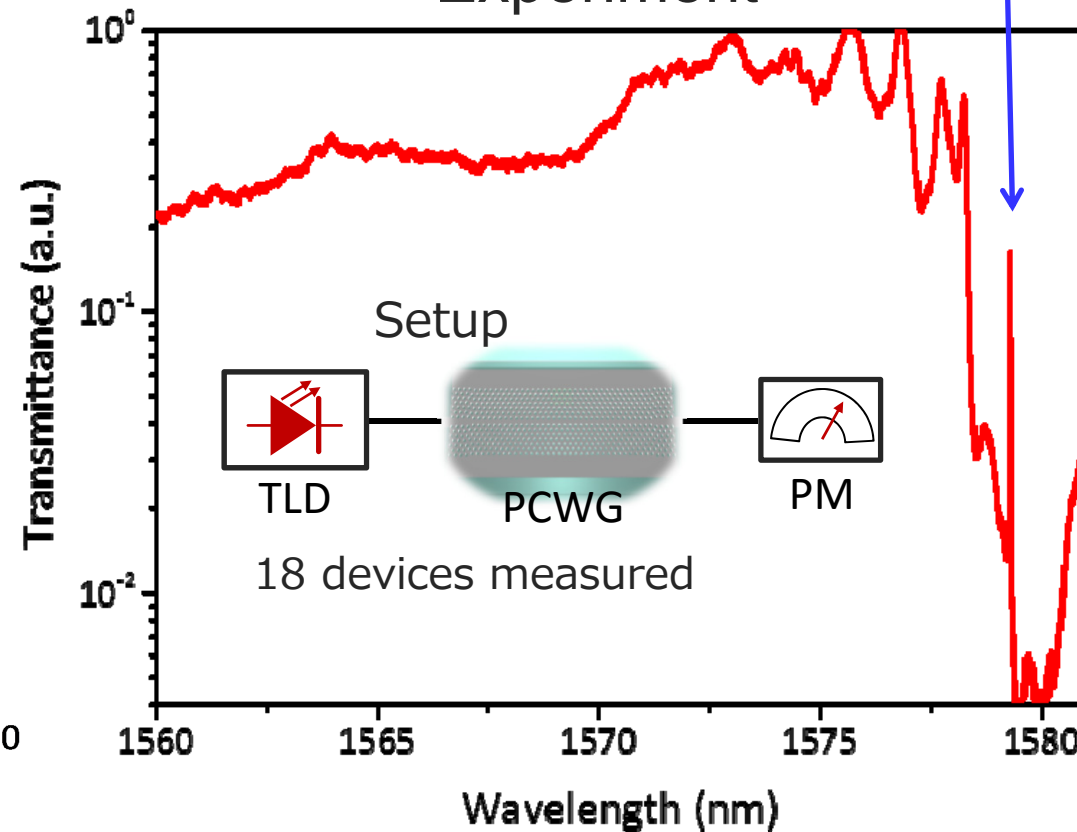
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$$Q = 2.4 \times 10^5$$

Calculation



Experiment



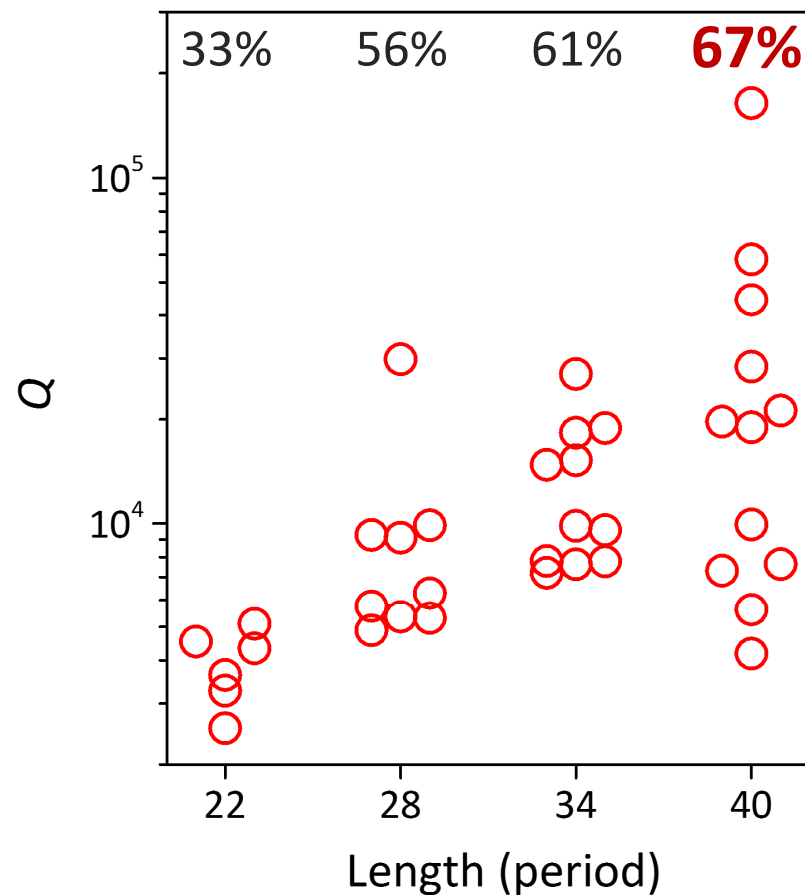
Localization observed at desired position

Yield rate of obtaining localization

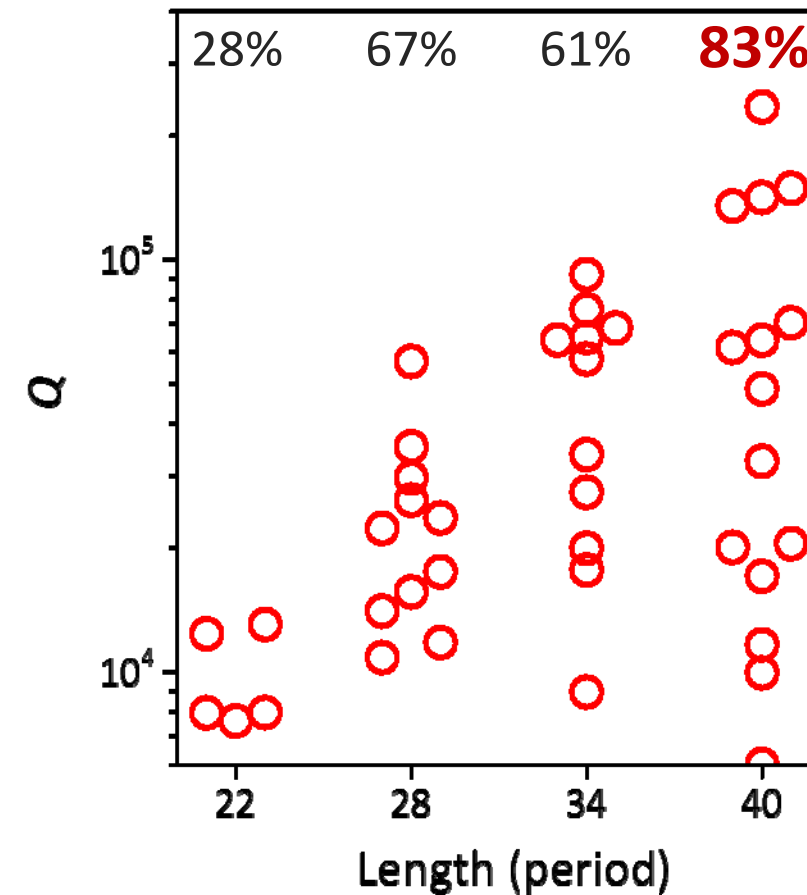


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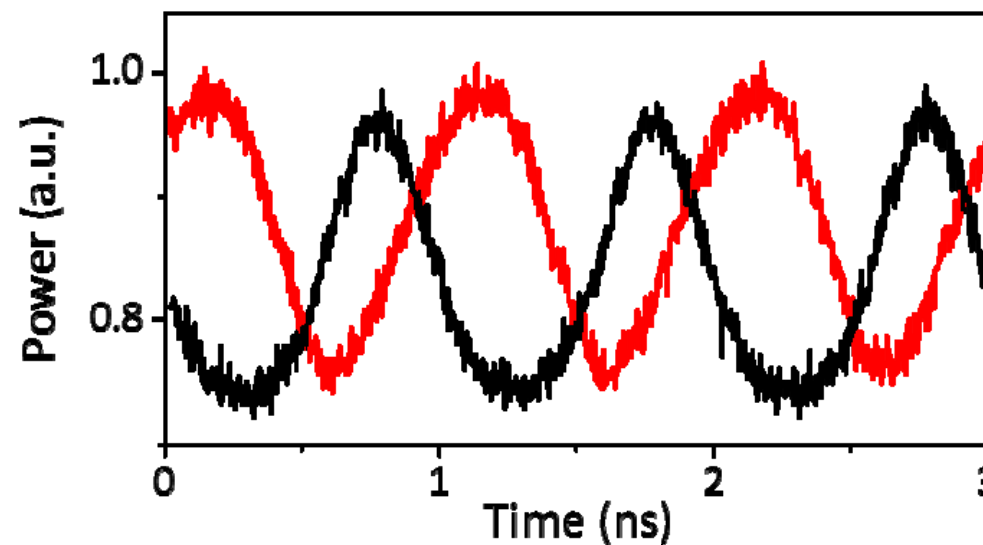
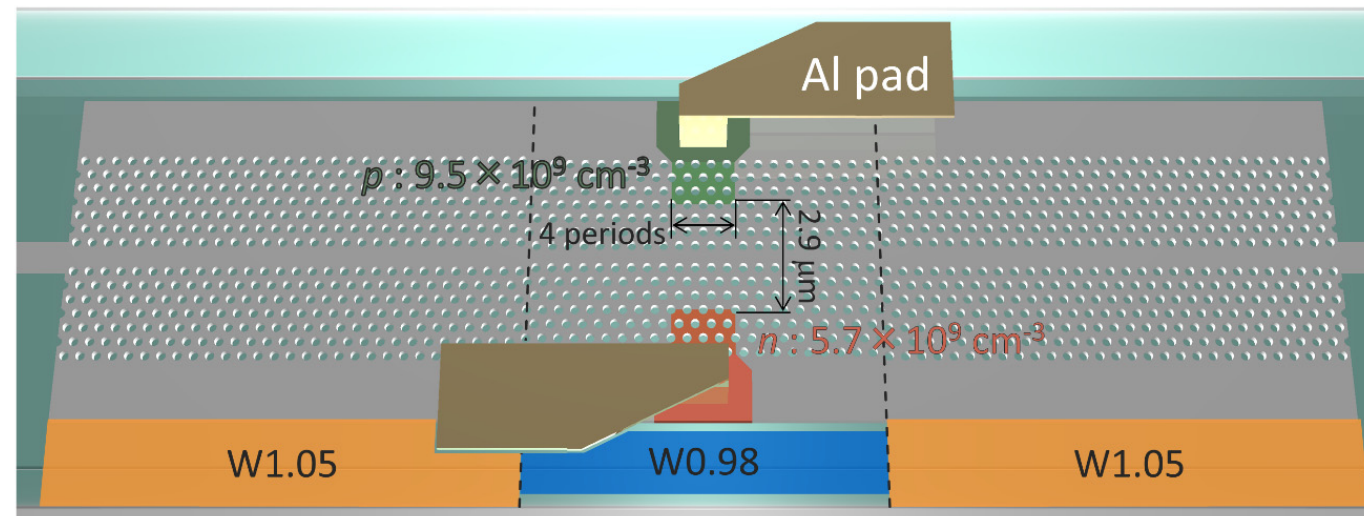


> 80% yield obtained

Using random PhC for controlled experiment



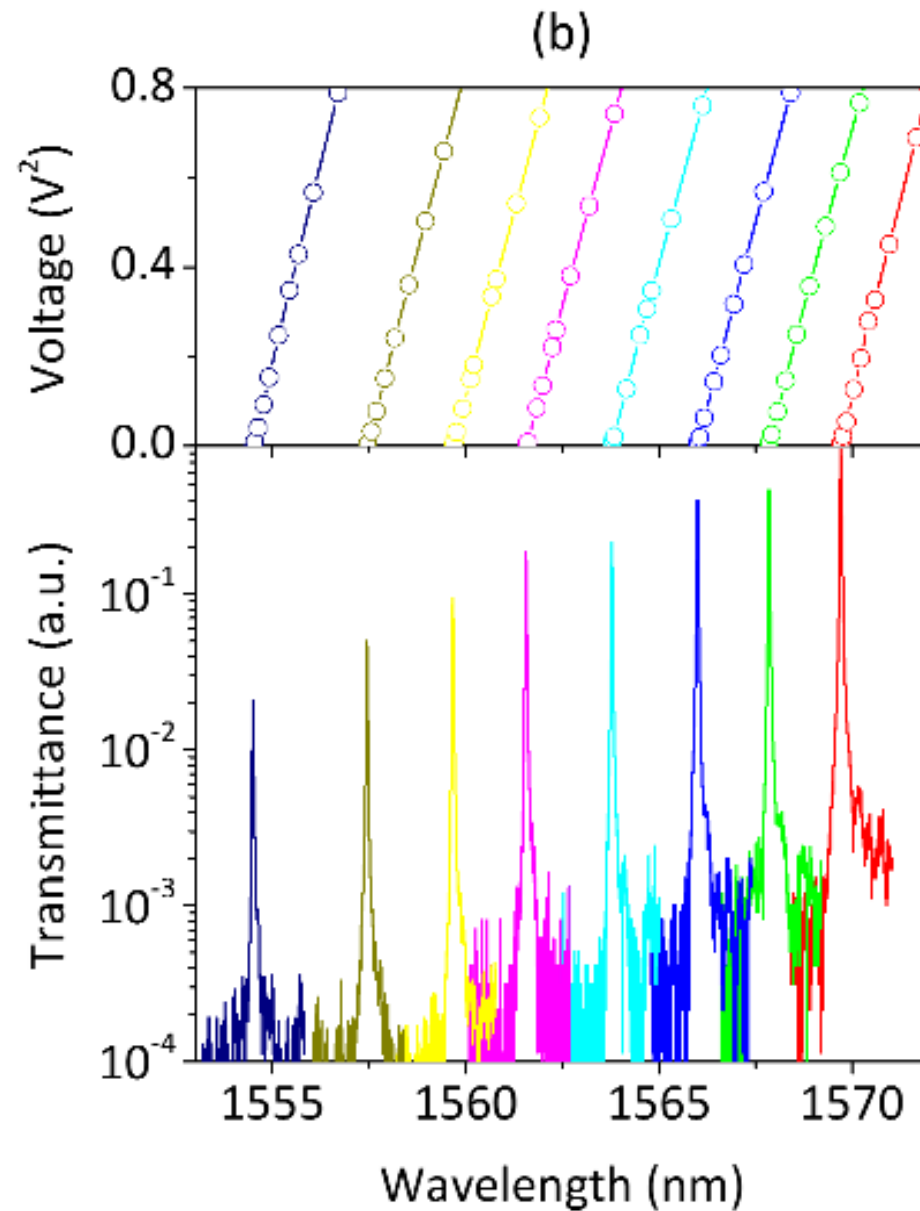
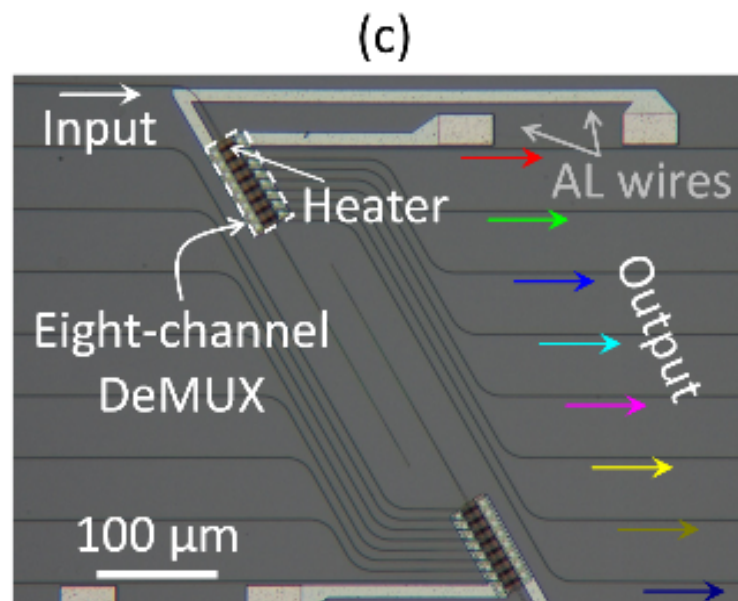
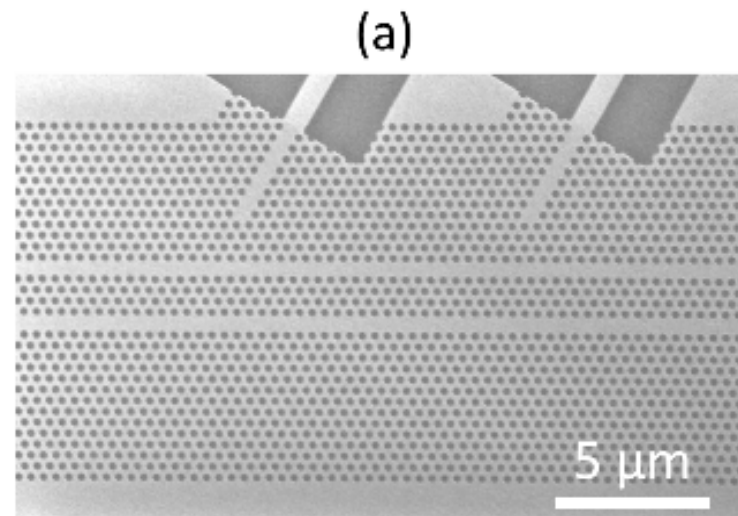
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EO modulation achieved w/ pin structure integrated at W0.98 regime



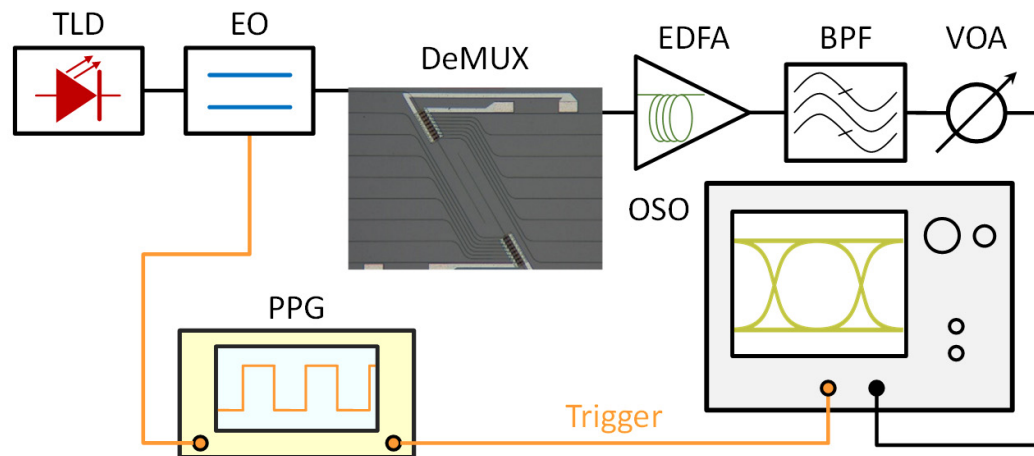
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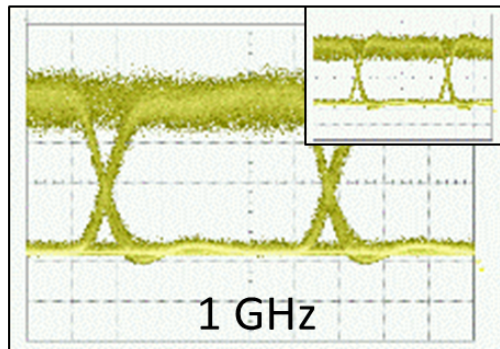


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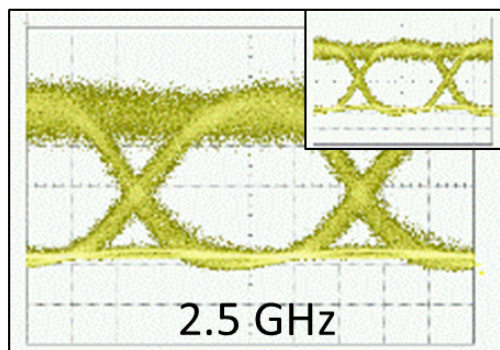
Setup



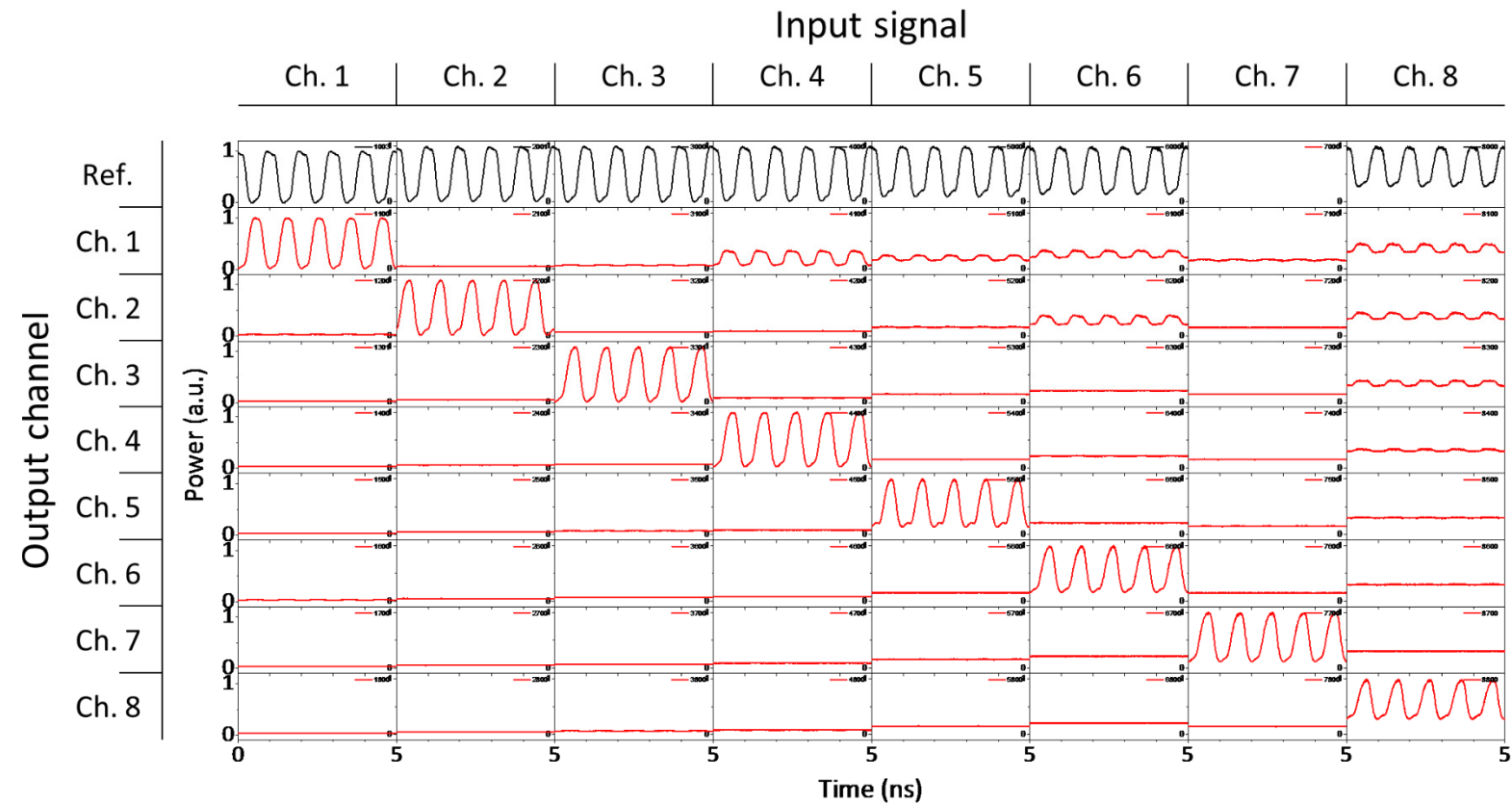
Eye pattern



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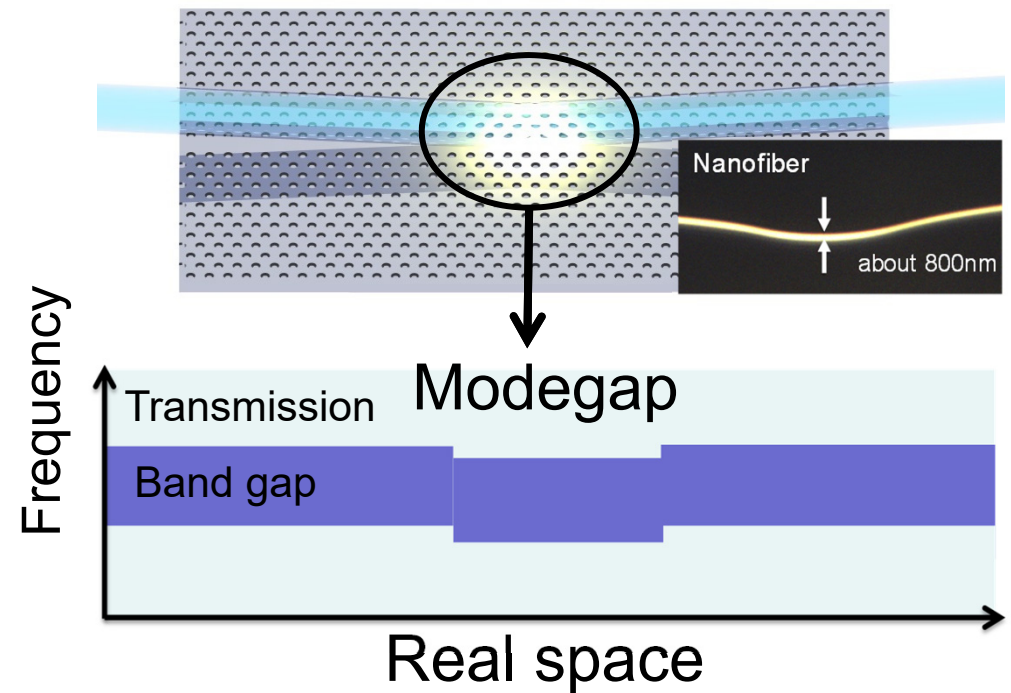
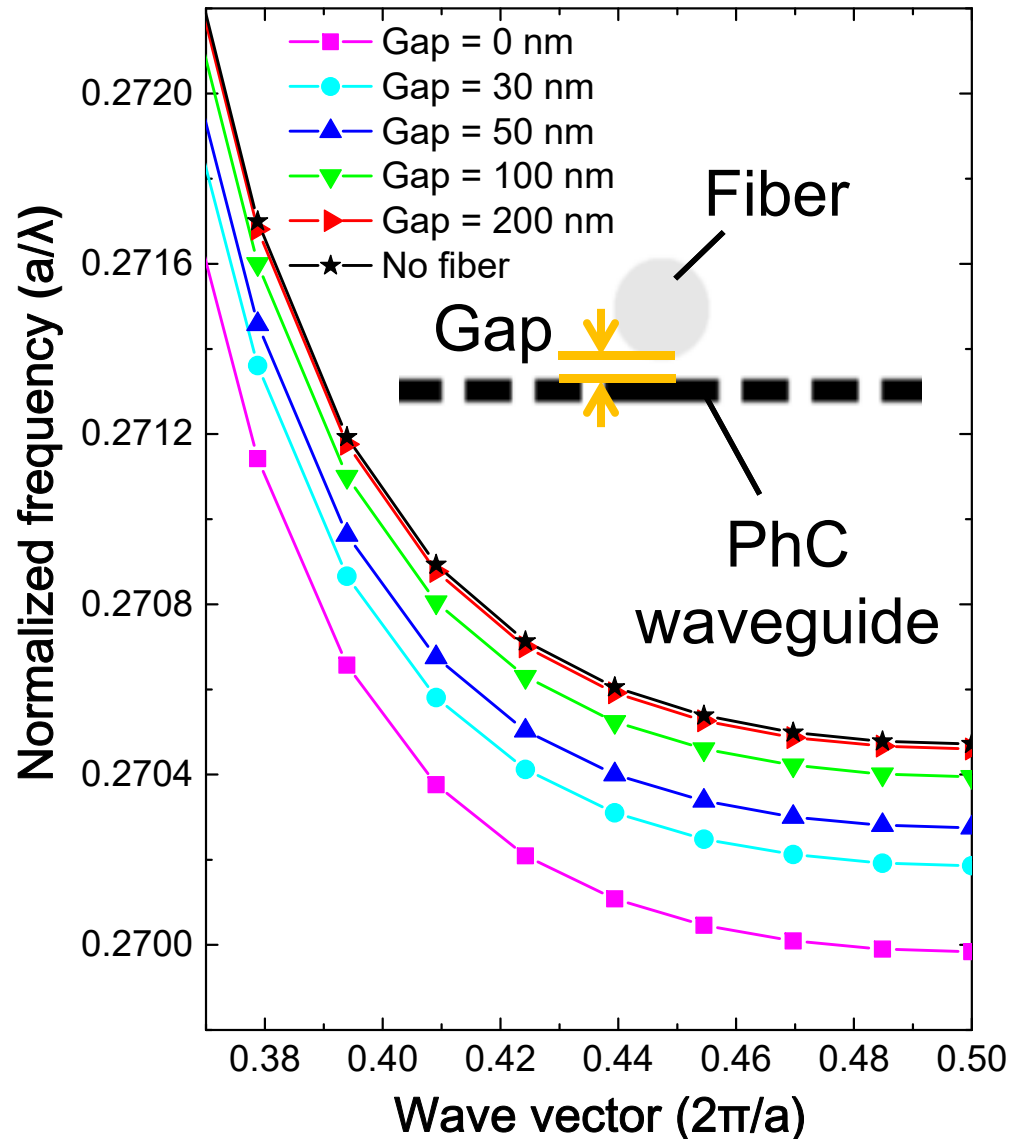


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Principle of cavity formation

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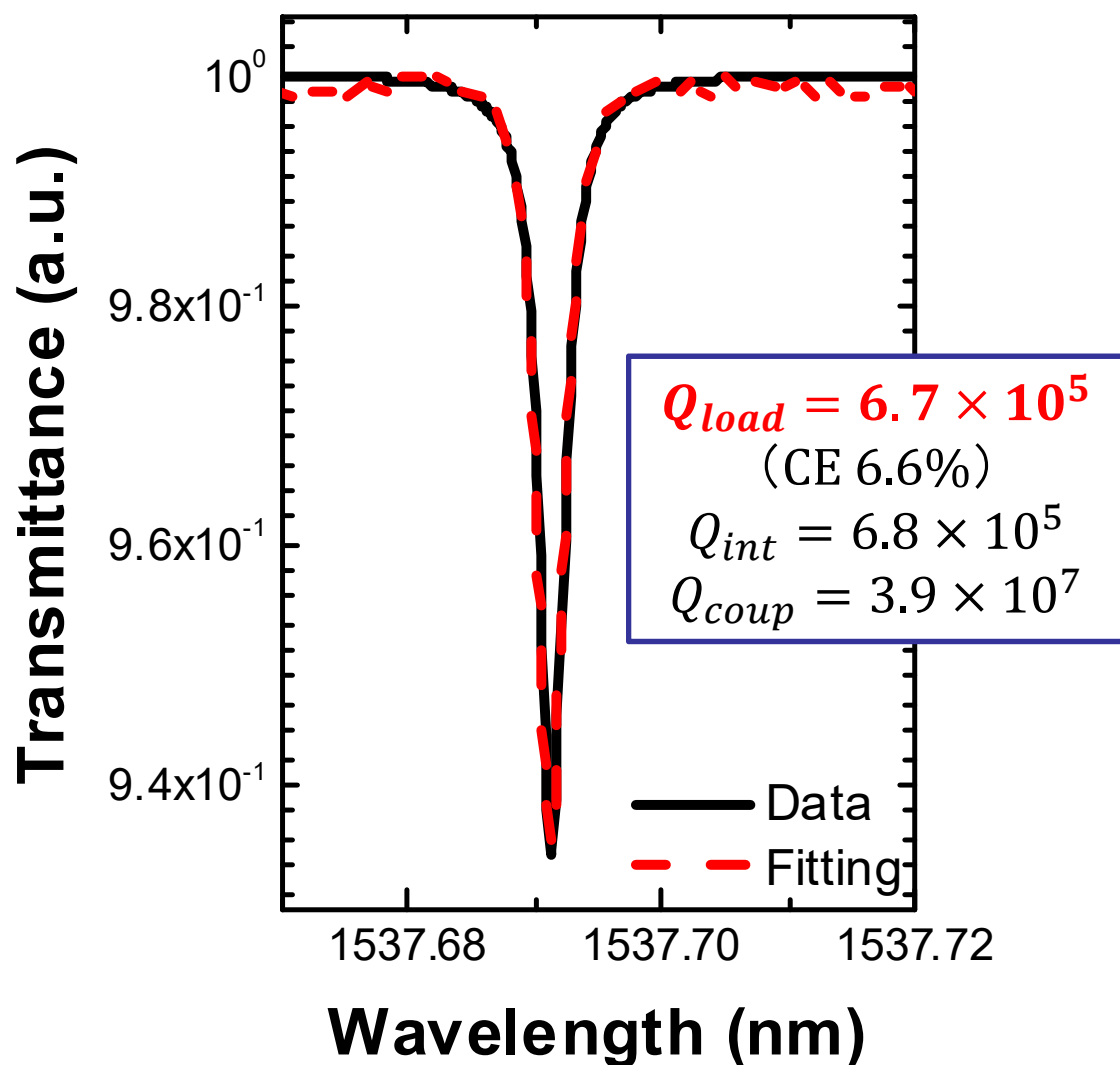
Effective refractive index change results in formation of modegap cavity

Measurement of Q and CE of FCPC

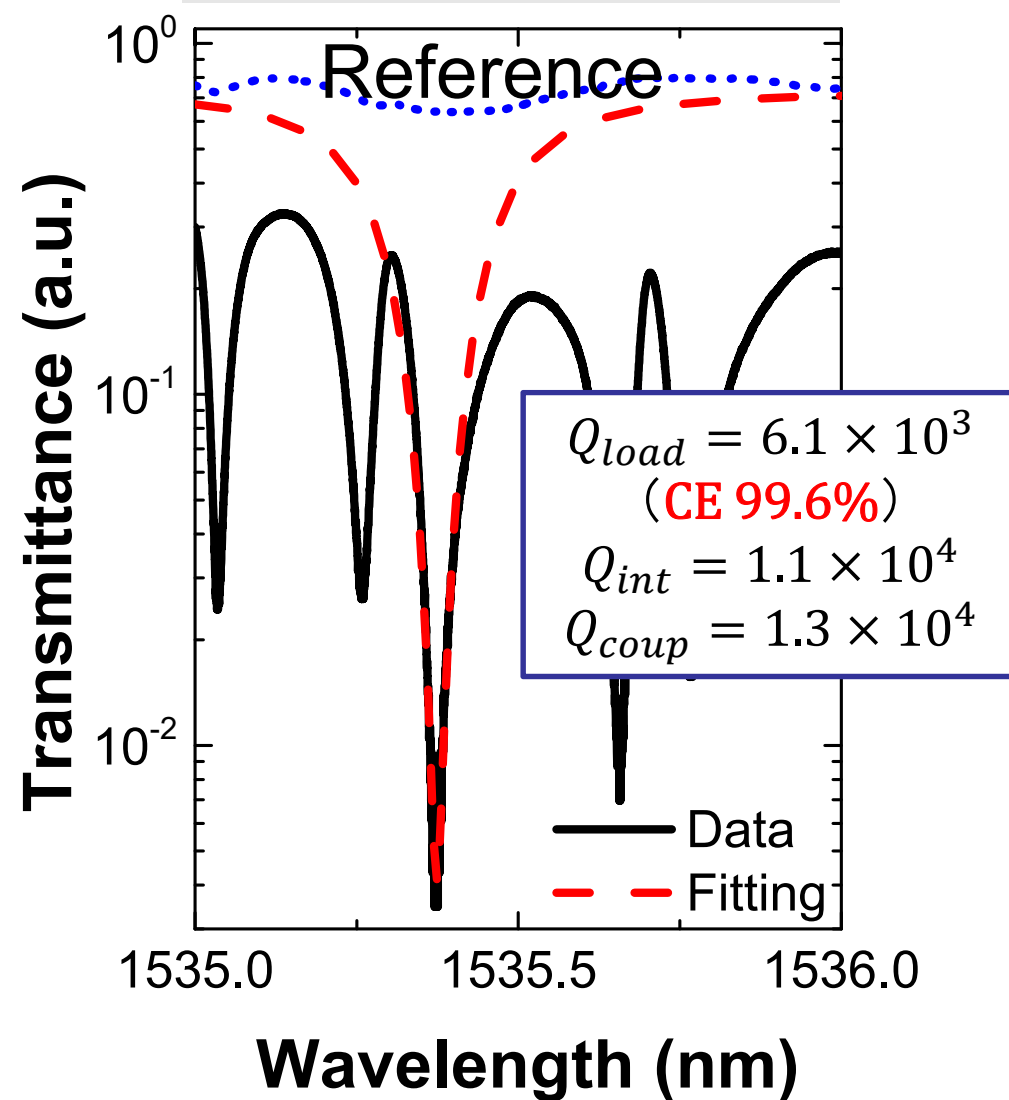


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Highest Q



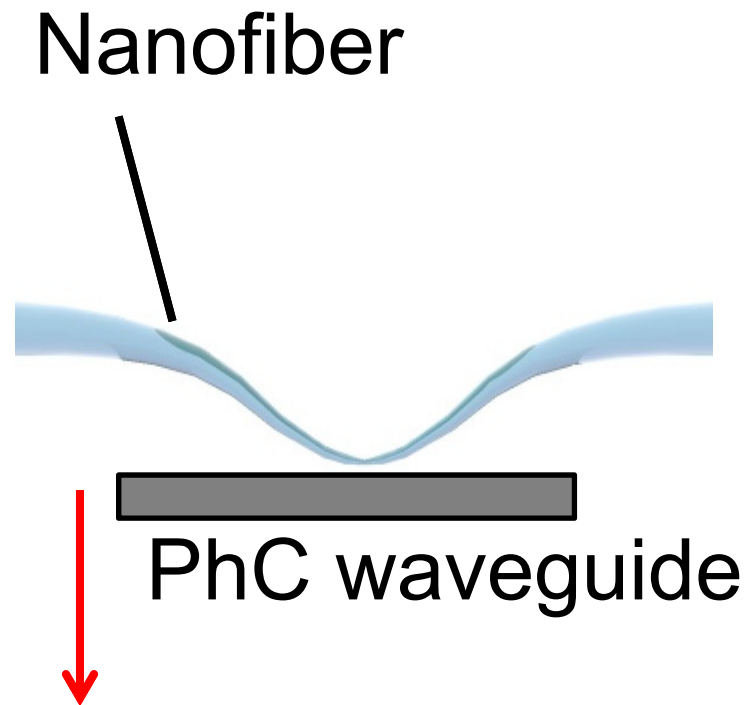
Highest coupling



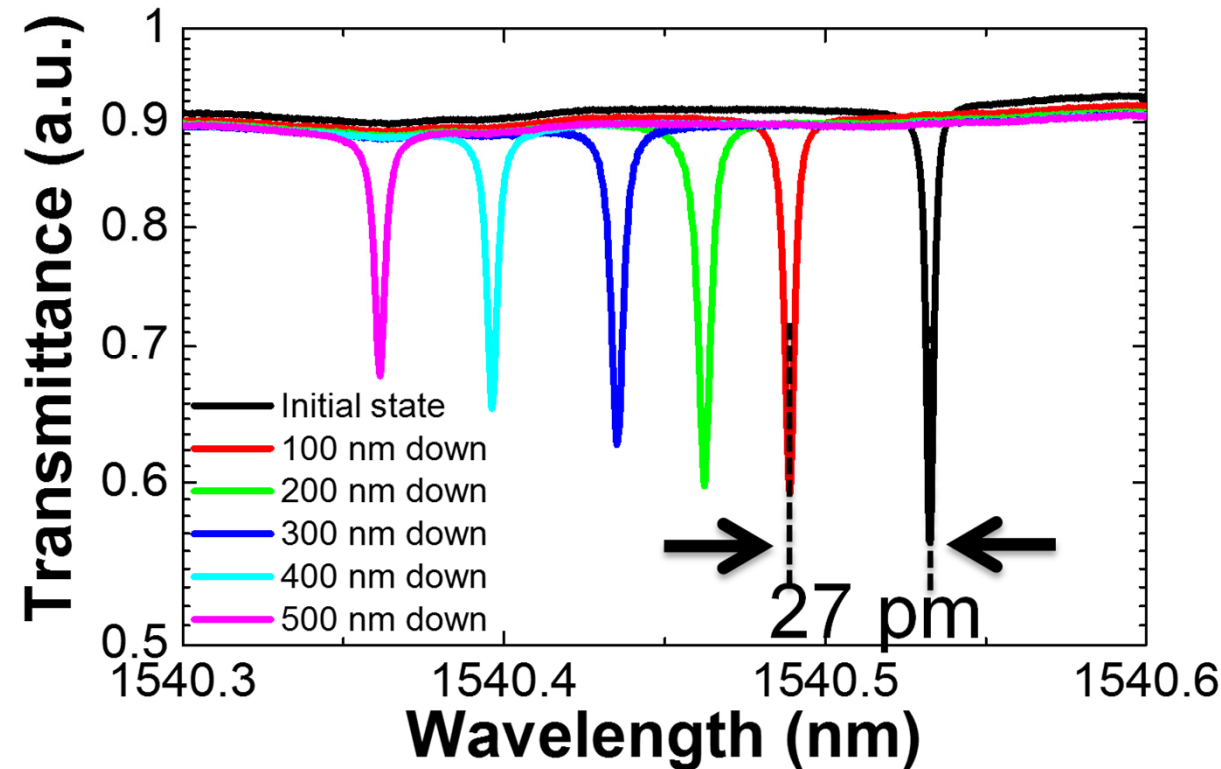


Resonant wavelength tuning

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Change the position
at 100-nm step



Tuning sensitivity

$$\frac{\text{Wavelength shift}}{\text{Stage shift}} = 0.27 \text{ pm/nm}$$



Summary

1. Very high-Q is achieved w/ **SiO₂ clad photolithographic Si PhC** ($Q = 2.4 \times 10^5$)
2. Practical EO modulation is demonstrated w/ **controlled random PhC** device
3. 8-ch in-plane DWDM demonstrated
4. Reconfigurable (position & wavelength) high-Q PhC nanocavity ($Q = 6.7 \times 10^5$) w/ high-transmittance ($T > 99\%$) demonstrated using nanotapered optical fiber



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