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CK-9.4 Photonic Micro- and Nanocavities

Nanocavity Formation with a Q of a Half-million using Photonic Crystal Waveguide and Nanofiber

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Photonic crystal (PhC) nanocavity

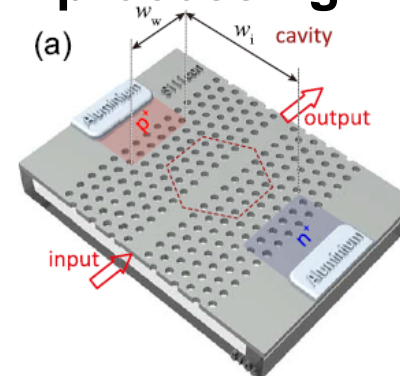
Advantages

- ✓ High Q & extremely small V
- ✓ Suitable for integration

Disadvantages

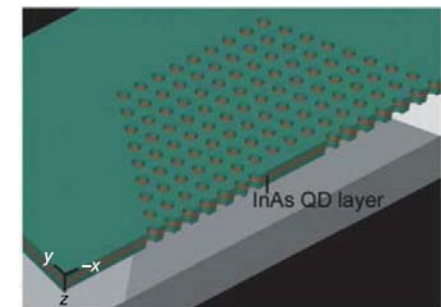
- ✓ Coupling to fiber is poor
- ✓ Collection efficiency is low

Optical signal processing



T. Tanabe, *et al.*, Appl. Phys. Lett. **96**, 101103 (2010).

Quantum optics

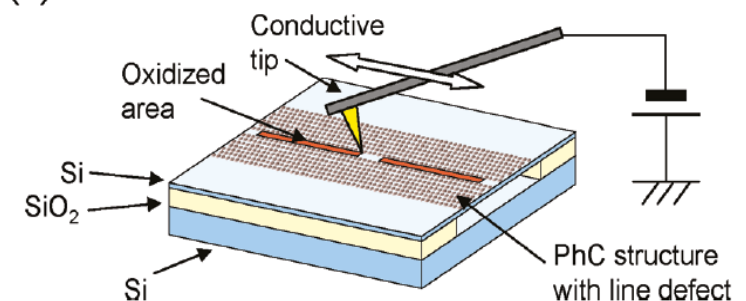


T. Yoshie, *et al.*, Nature **432**, 200-203 (2004).

Post-formation of PhC

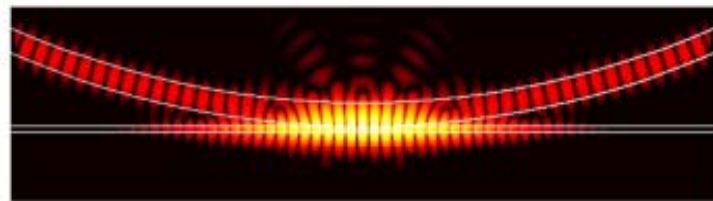
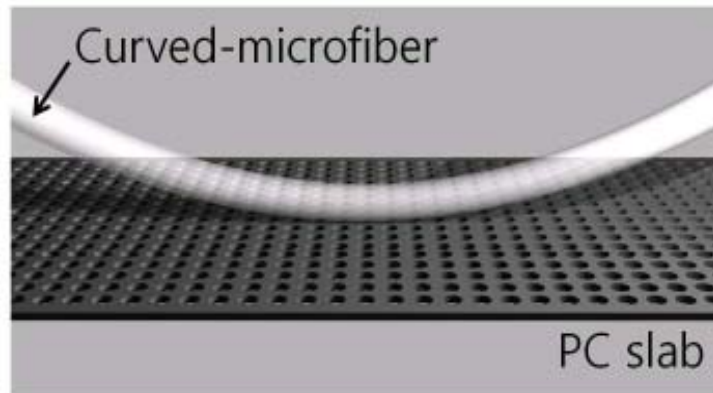
- ✓ Controlability of resonant wavelength & position
- ✓ High Q cavity ($> 10^6$)
- ✓ Relocation of the cavity not possible

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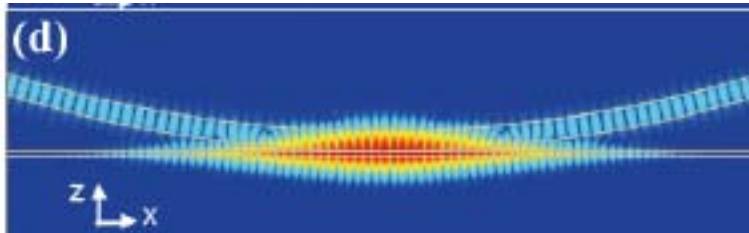
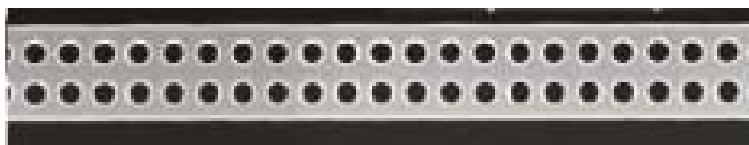


A. Yokoo, *et al.*, Nano Lett. **11**, 3634-42 (2011).

Nanofiber assisted relocatable nanocavity



Ju-Young Kim, *et al.*, Optics Express 17, 13009 (2007).



Hee-J. Lim, *et al.*, Optics Express 21, 6724 (2013).

Advantages

- ✓ Is reconfigurable
- ✓ High Q ($>10^7$) & high coupling efficiency (CE of nearly 100%) theoretically

Experimental values

2D photonic crystal waveguide

- ✓ $Q = 5.8 \times 10^3$, CE 2.2%

1D dual-rail photonic crystal waveguide

- ✓ $Q = 1.1 \times 10^4$, CE 30%

CE: coupling efficiency

Bottlenecks

- ✓ Absorption of quantum dots
- ✓ Fabrication imperfections



Motivations

- ✓ High Q cavity formation on Si PhC waveguide
- ✓ Achieving high coupling efficiency
- ✓ Tuning resonant wavelength of nanocavity

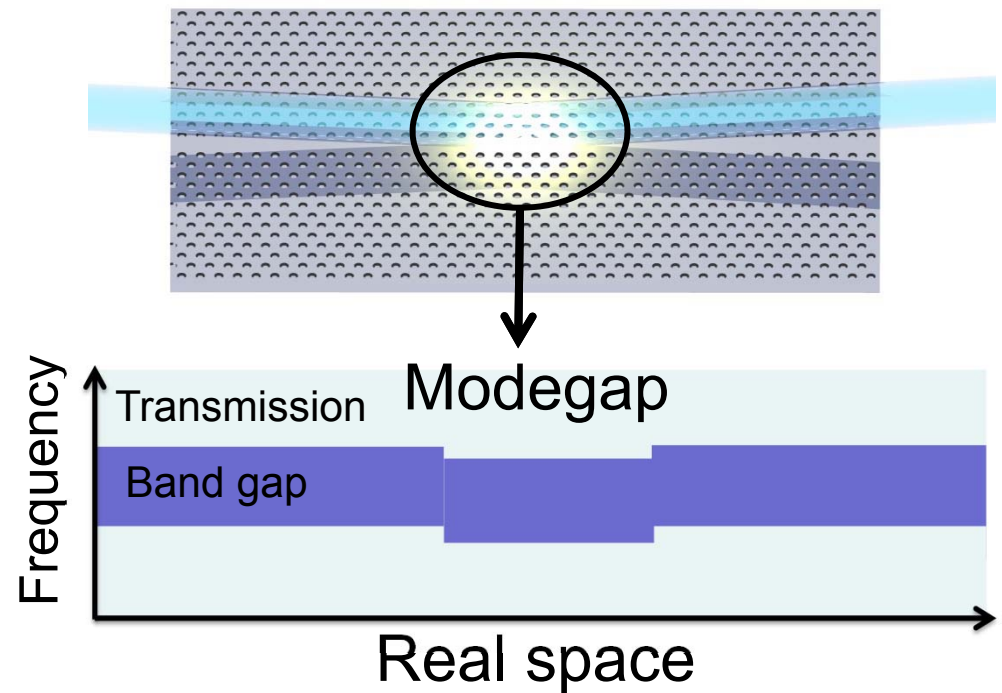
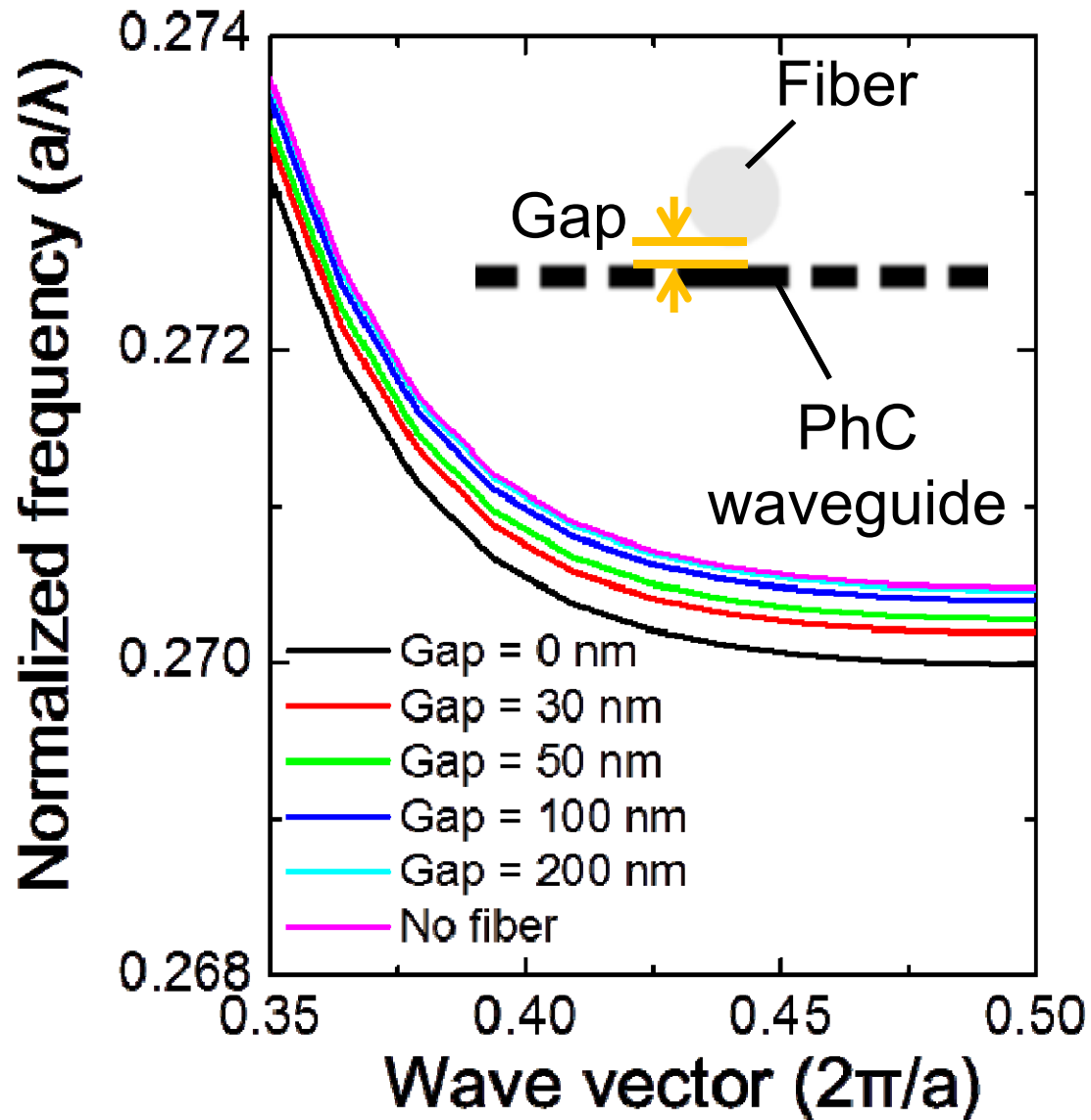
In addition,

All-pass filter type coupled cavity resonance
will be reported

Principle of cavity formation



Cavity formation model

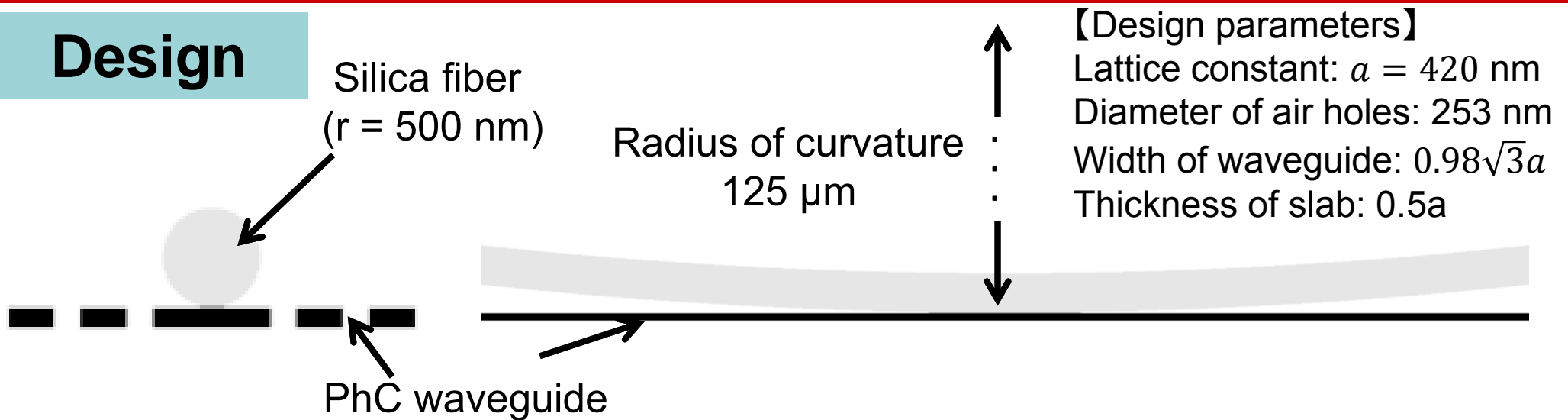


Effective refractive index change results in formation of modegap cavity

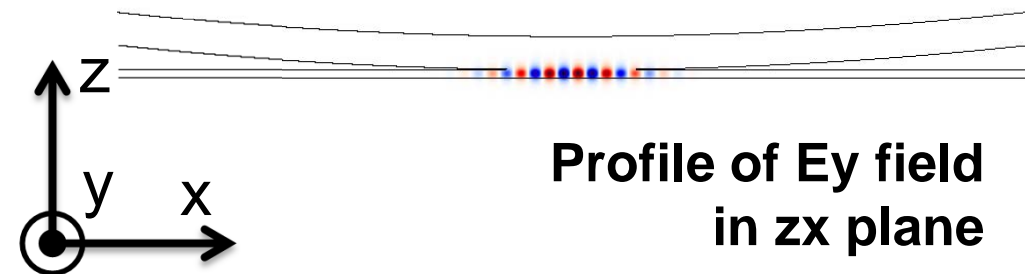
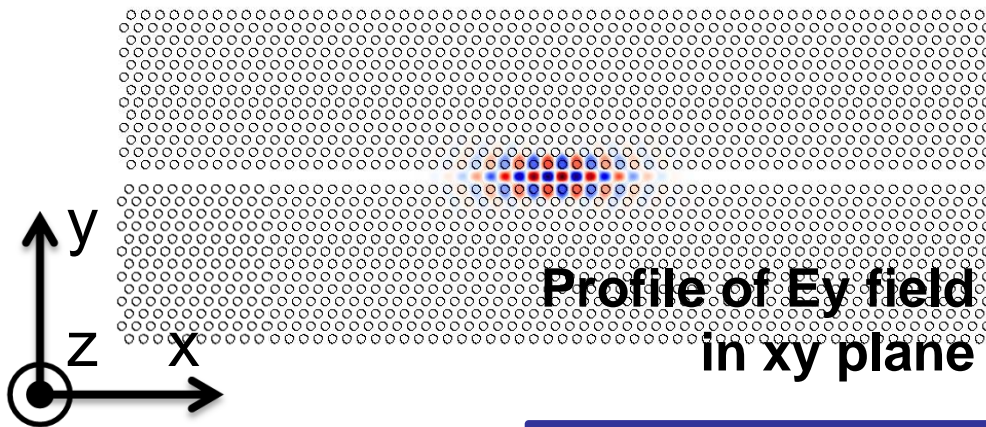
Numerical calculation



Design



Result



$$Q = 1.4 \times 10^7, V = 1.9(\lambda/n)^3$$

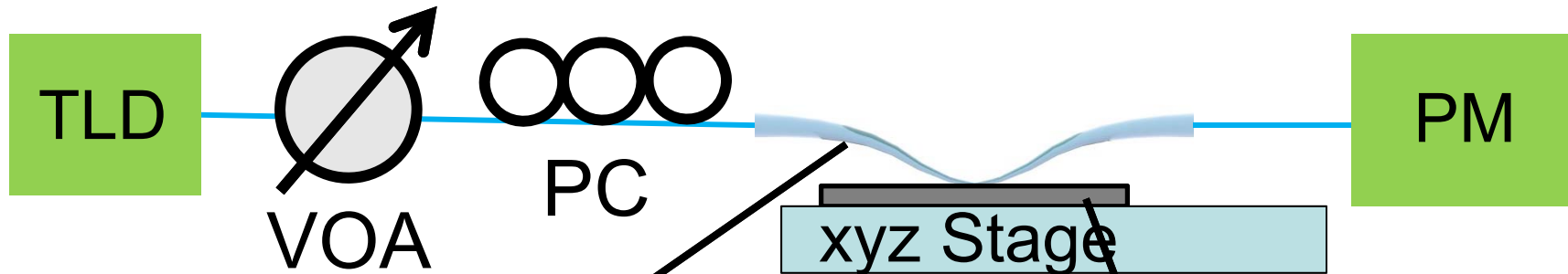
was obtained

Experiment

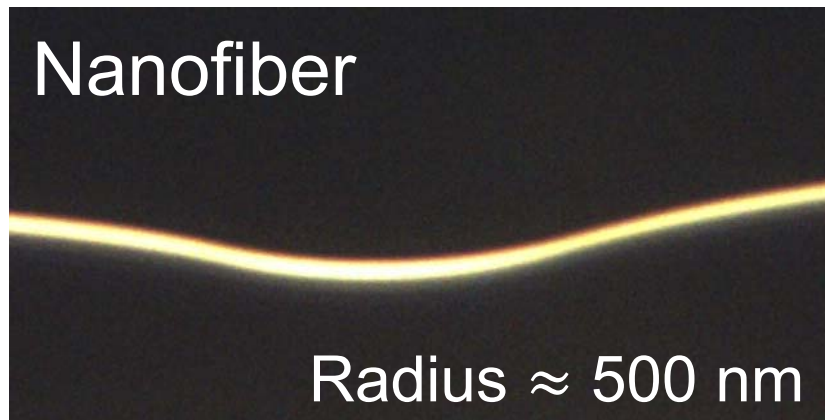


Setup

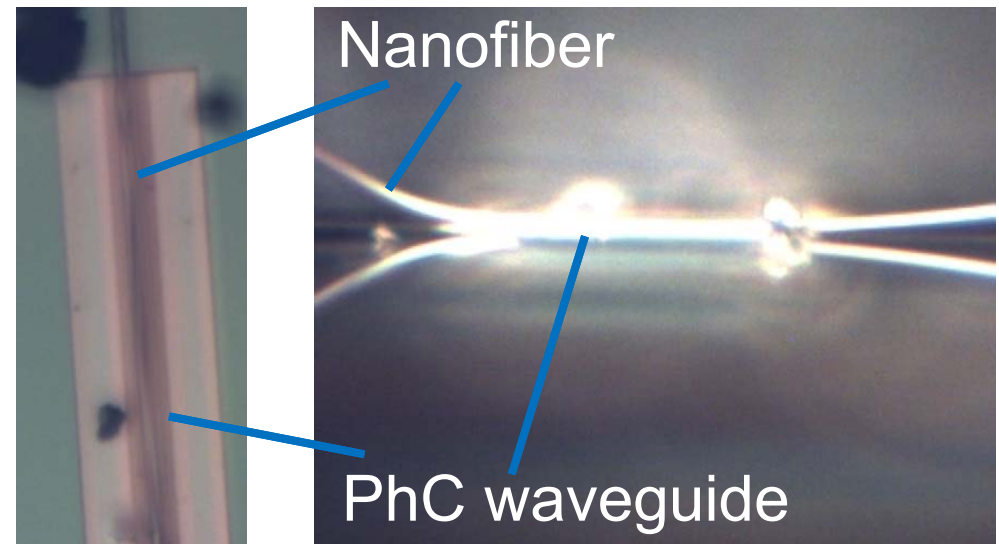
TLD: Tunable Laser Diode, VOA: Variable Optical Attenuator, PC: Polarization Controller, PM: Power Monitor



PhC waveguide(W0.98)
Lattice constant: 420 nm,
Air hole diameter: 253 nm,
Slab thickness: 210 nm



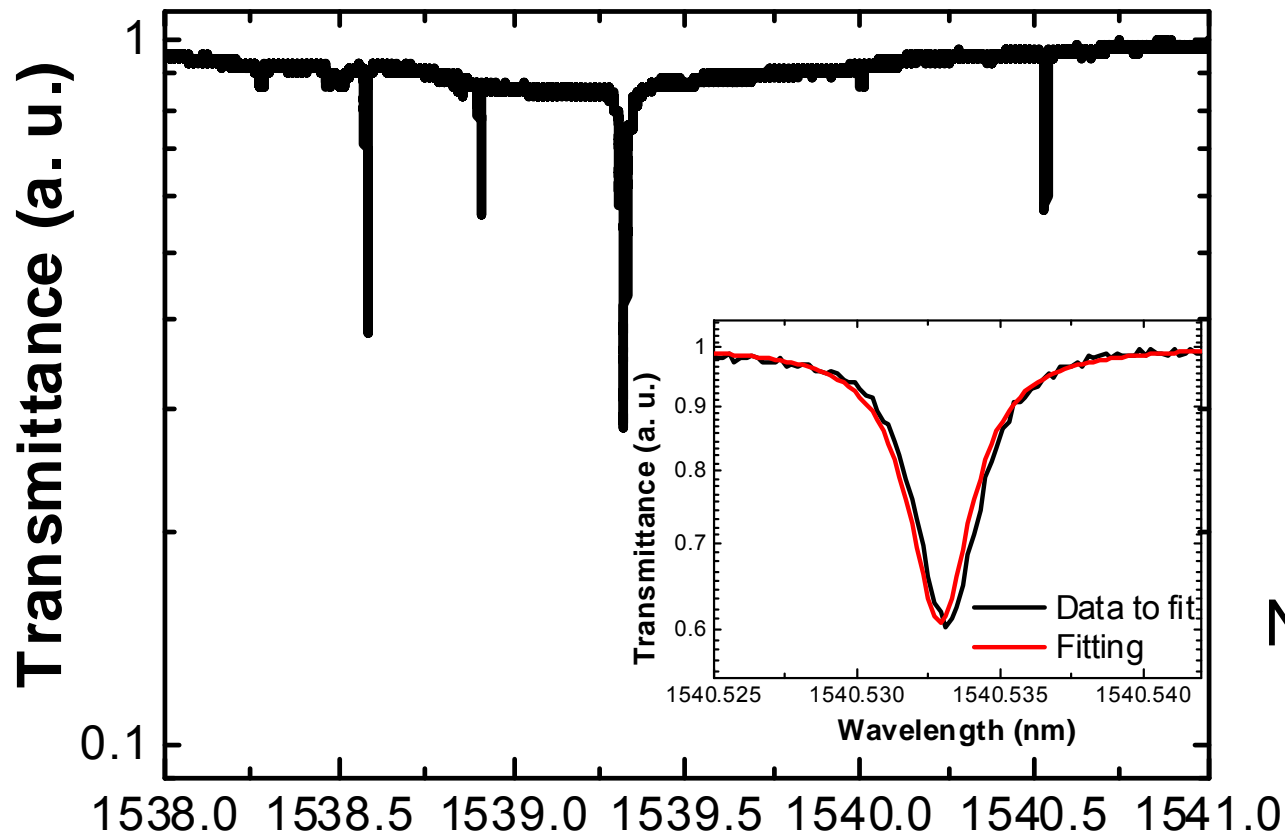
Insertion loss of nanofiber:
Typically 10 dB



Experimental results

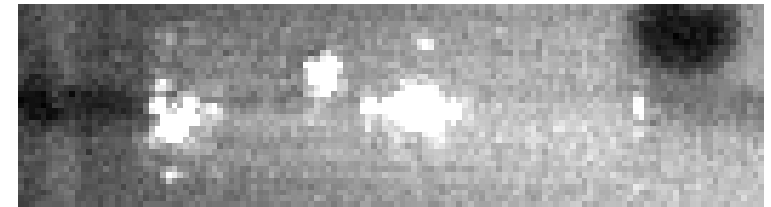


Transmission spectrum

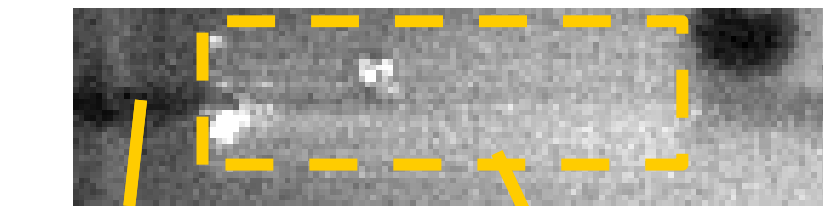


Infrared red image

On-resonance



Off-resonance



Nanofiber

PhC waveguide

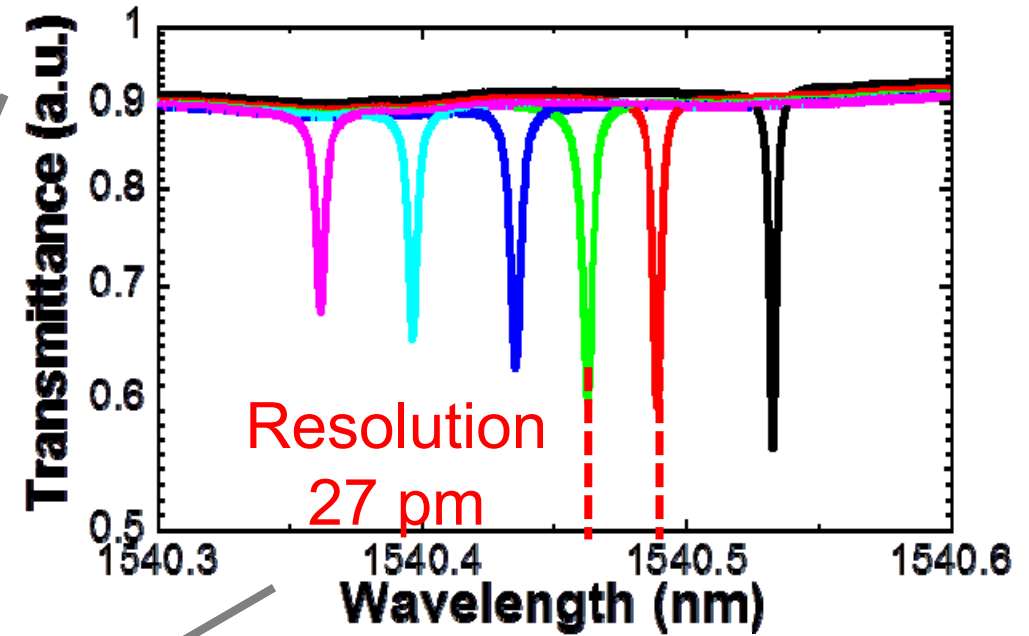
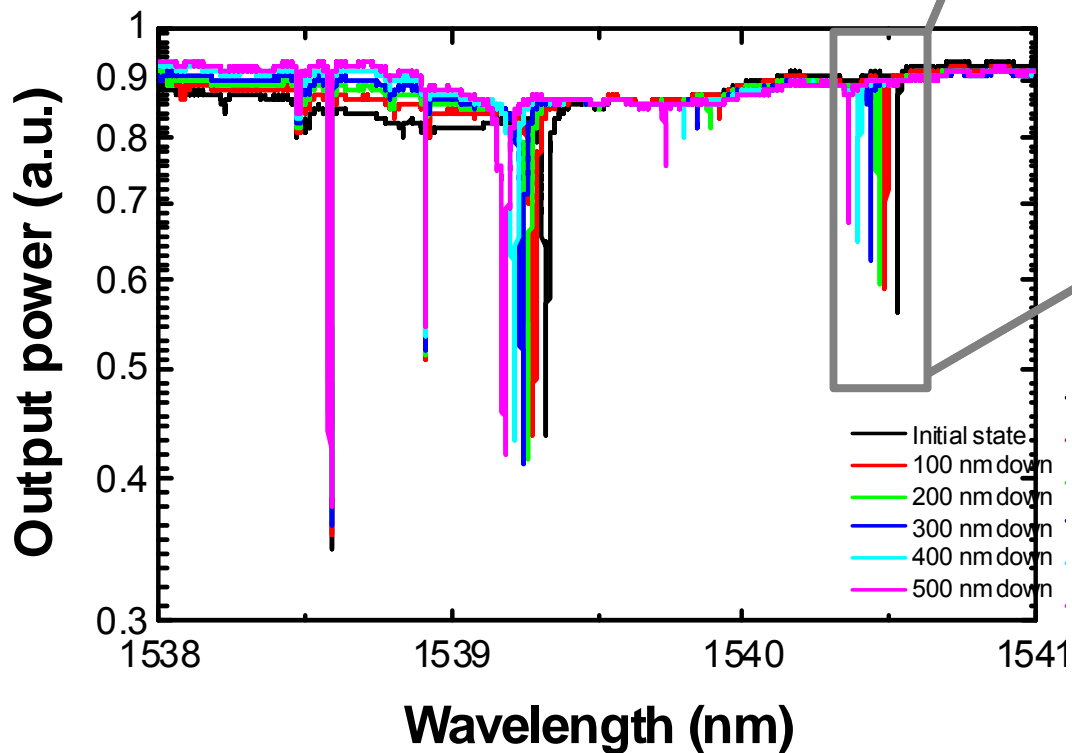
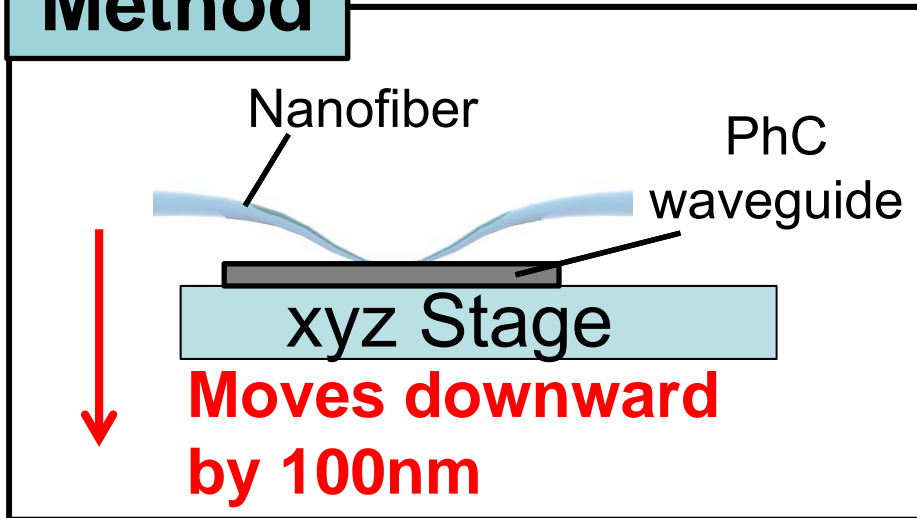
$$Q_{load} = 5.1 \times 10^5$$

(CE 39%)

Tuning of resonant wavelength



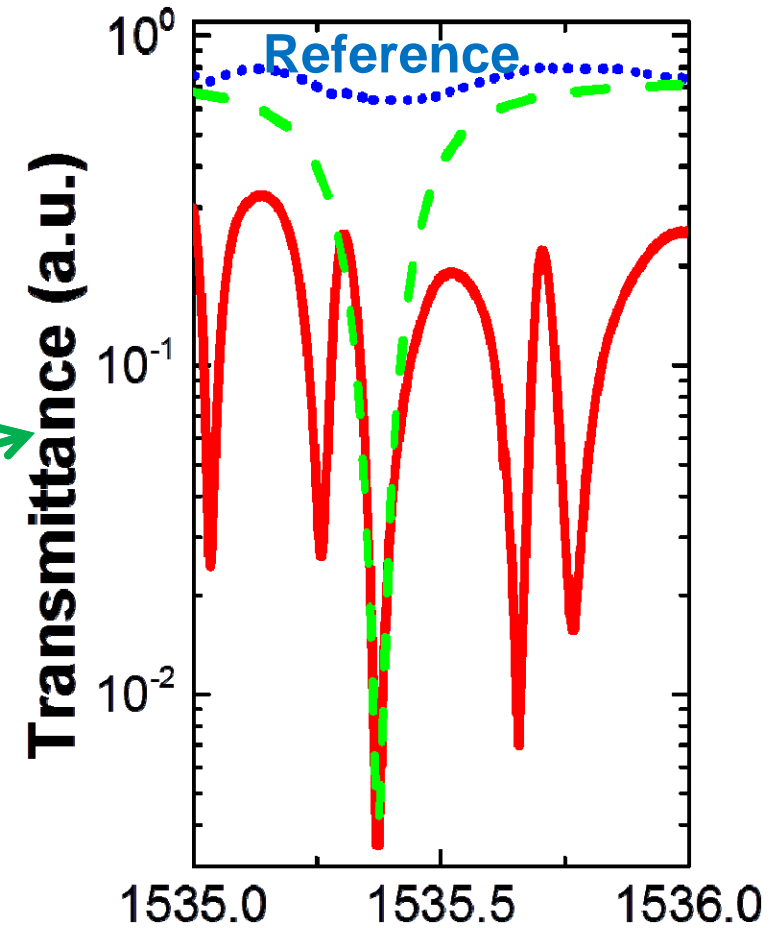
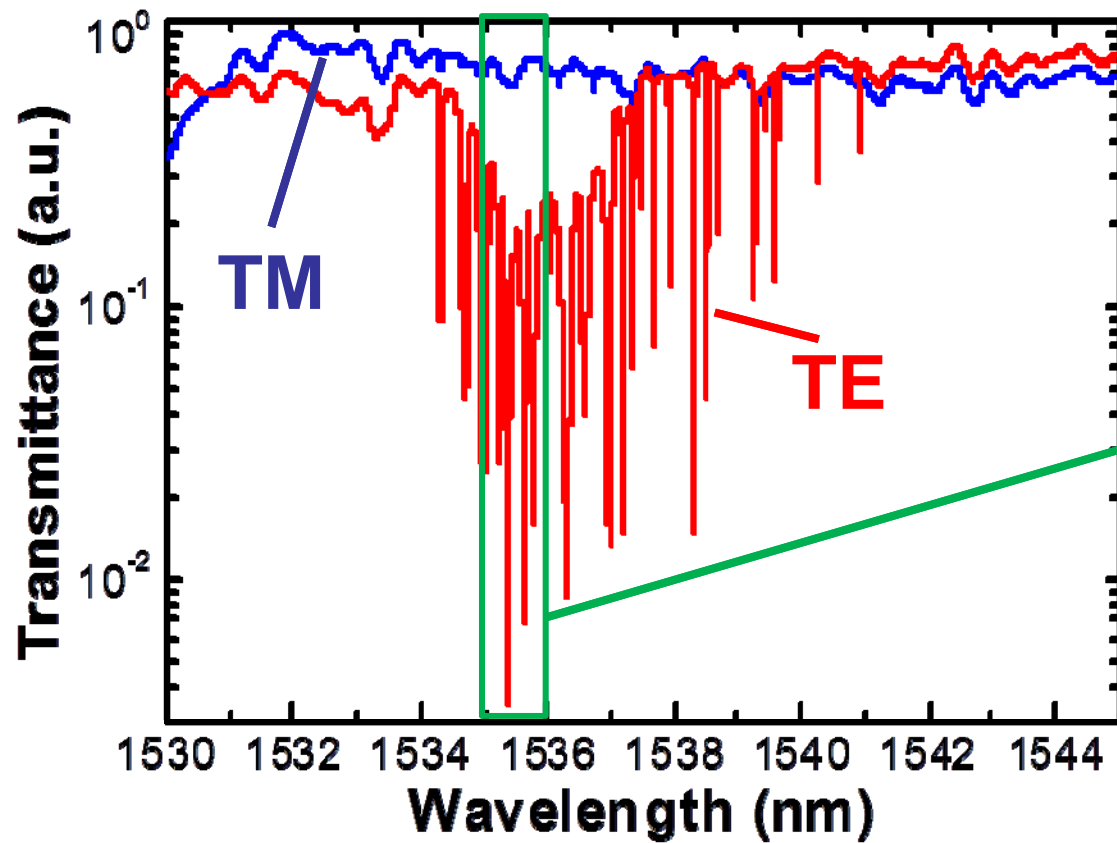
Method



Tuning sensitivity

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

Polarization dependence & Coupling efficiency

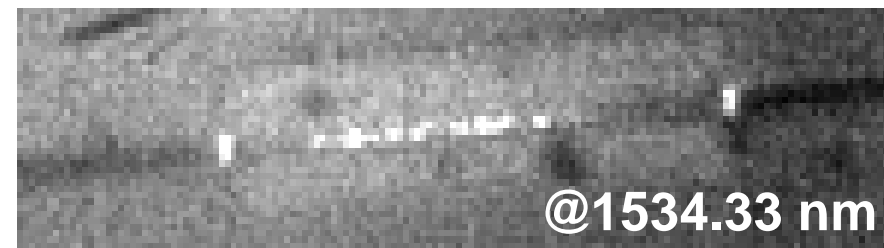
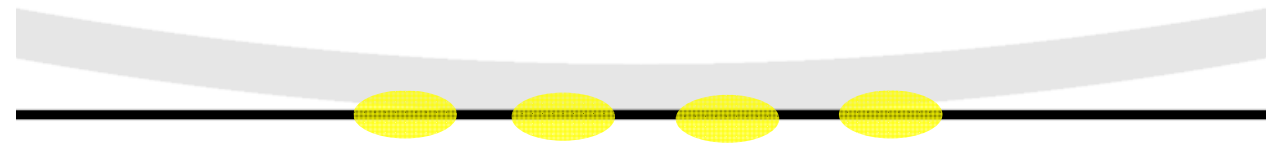
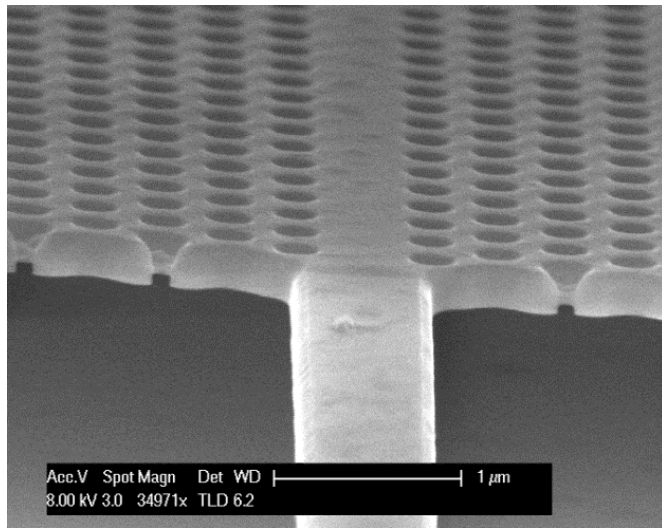


CE of **99.6%** was obtained
($Q = 6.1 \times 10^3$)

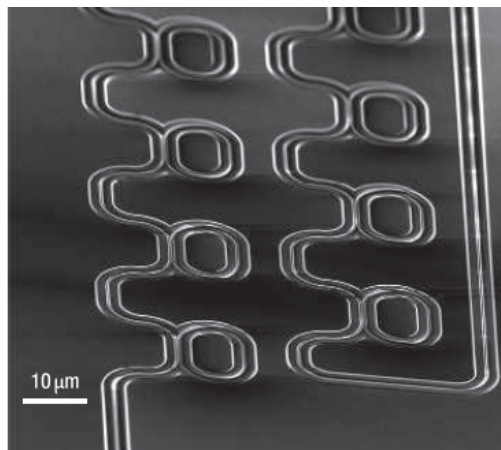
Coupled cavity resonance



Formation of coupled cavity system



All-pass filter



F. Xia, *et al.*, Nat. Photonics 1, 65-71 (2007).

- ✓ Multi-coupled cavity system formed
- ⇒ It will function as optical buffers



- **We demonstrated fiber-coupled PhC nanocavity formation on Si PhC waveguide**
 - ✓ Obtained a high **Q of 5.1×10^5** w/ a CE of 39%
 - ✓ Achieved a **critical coupling (CE 99.6%)** w/ a Q of 6.1×10^3
 - ✓ Demonstrate fine tuning of resonant wavelength (precision of 0.27 pm/nm)
- **We obtained multi-mode resonance**
 - ✓ **All-pass filter type** coupled cavity system formed
 - ✓ It will function as delay line
 - ✓ Further analysis of this type of coupling is future work

For more information,
[T. Tetsumoto, *et al.*, Opt. Express **23**, 16256-63 \(2015\).](#)

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