

Photolithographically Fabricated Silicon Photonic Crystal Nanocavity Photoreceiver with a Laterally Integrated *pin* Diode

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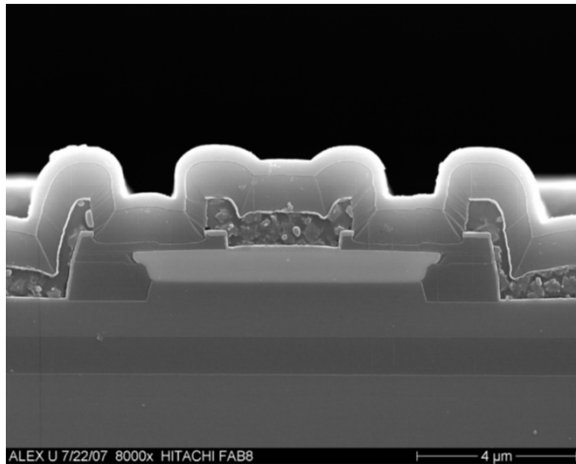
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Previous Research



1. Ge integration on Si detector



T. Yin, et. al., Opt. Express **15**, 13965 (2007)

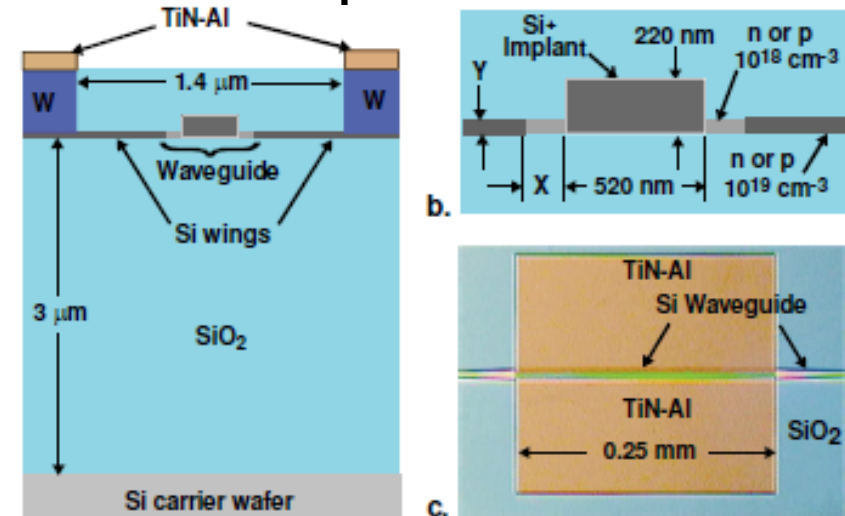
□ Advantages :

- High speed (31 GHz)
- High sensitivity (QE~80%)
- Good responsivity (0.89 ~ 1.16 A/W)

□ Disadvantages :

- Complicated in fabrication
- **Large dark current** due to defect
(169 nA)

2. Ion-implanted Si detector



M. W. Geis, et. al., Opt. Express **17**, 5193 (2009)

□ Advantages :

- CMOS compatible (all-silicon)
- Good sensitivity and speed
- Good responsivity : 0.5 ~ 10 A/W)

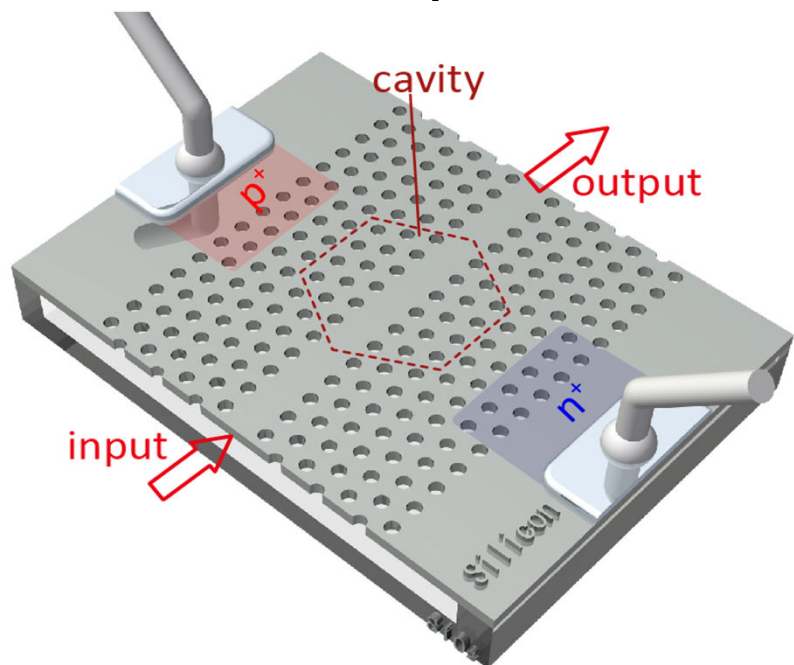
□ Disadvantages :

- Unstable (large aging effect)
- **Large dark current** due to defect
(0.5 nA to 0.5 μA)

All-Si Photoreceiver



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- High sensitivity
 - Due to high-Q cavity
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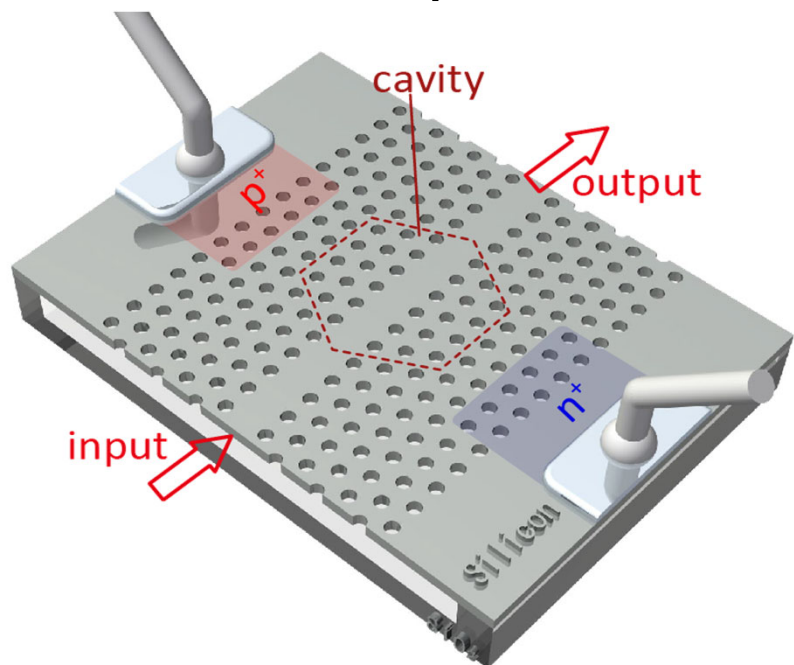
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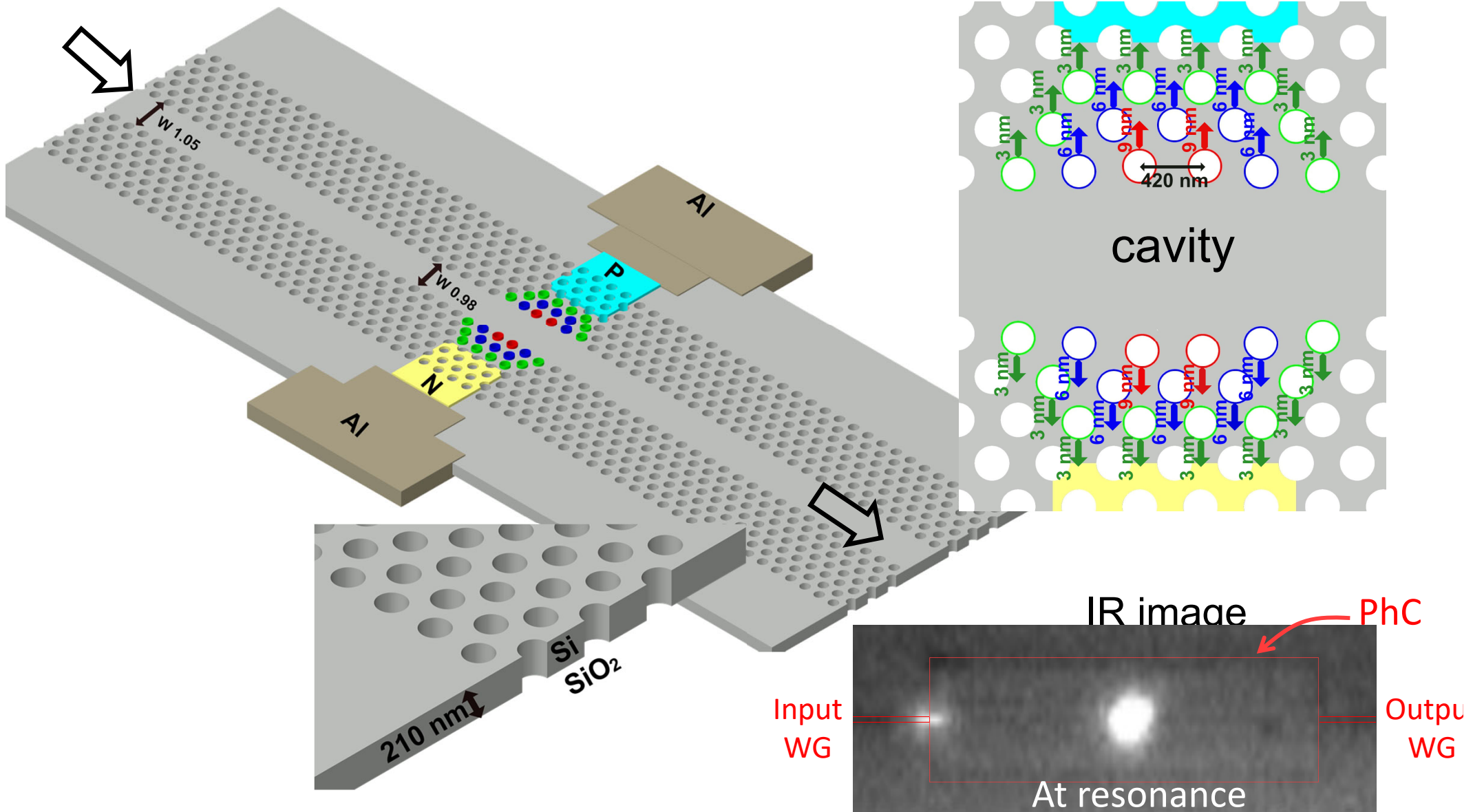
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PhC nanocavity photoreceiver w/ pin diode



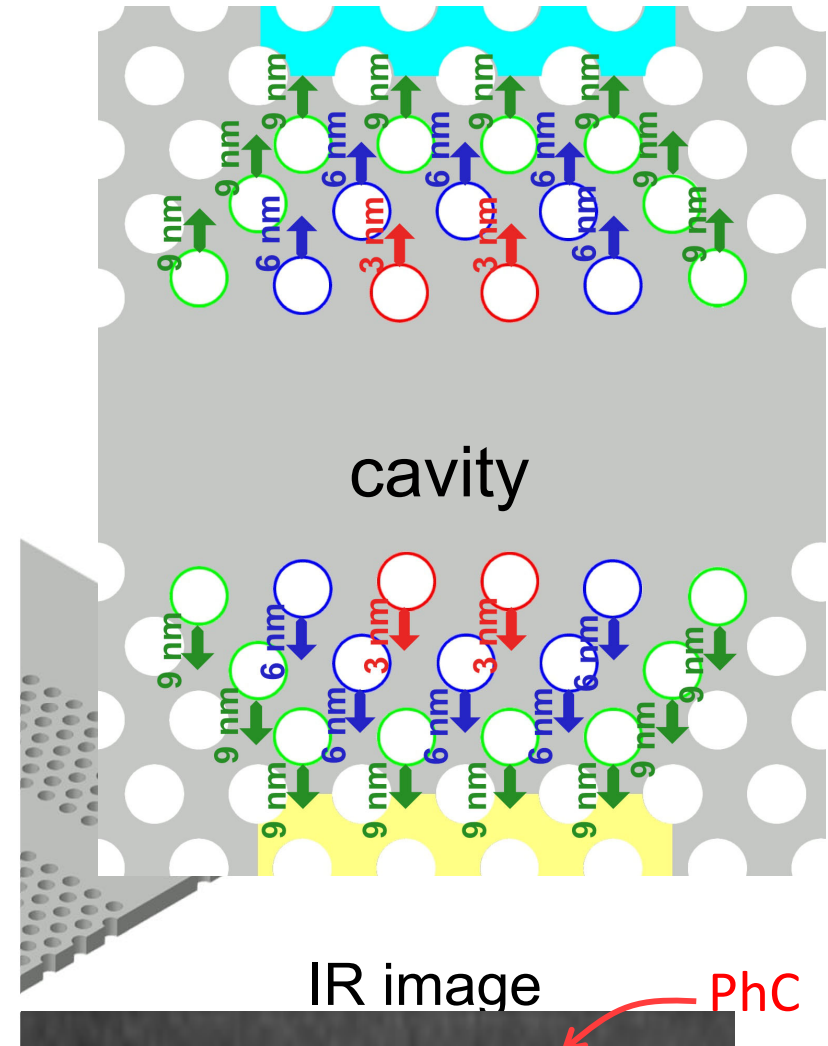
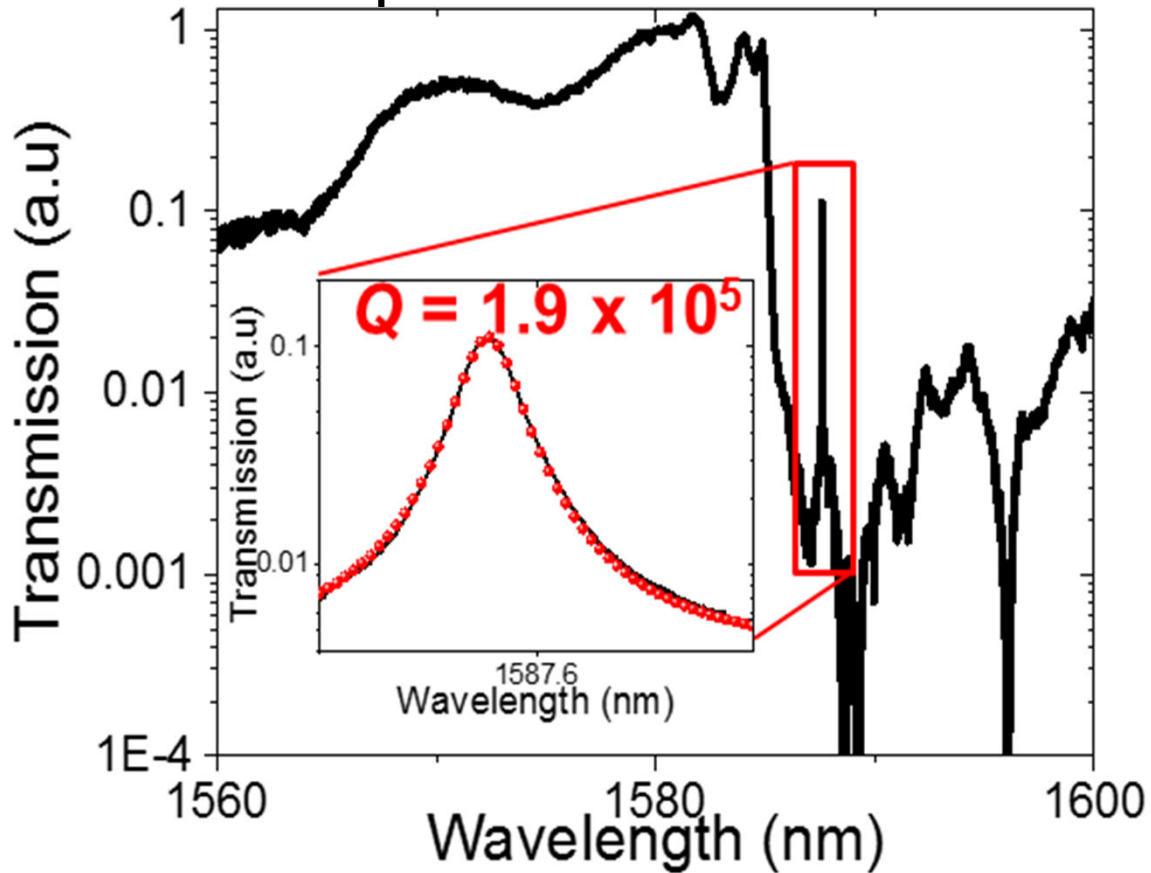
Device structure



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Optical measurement



Achieved high Q factor with photolithography & silica clad



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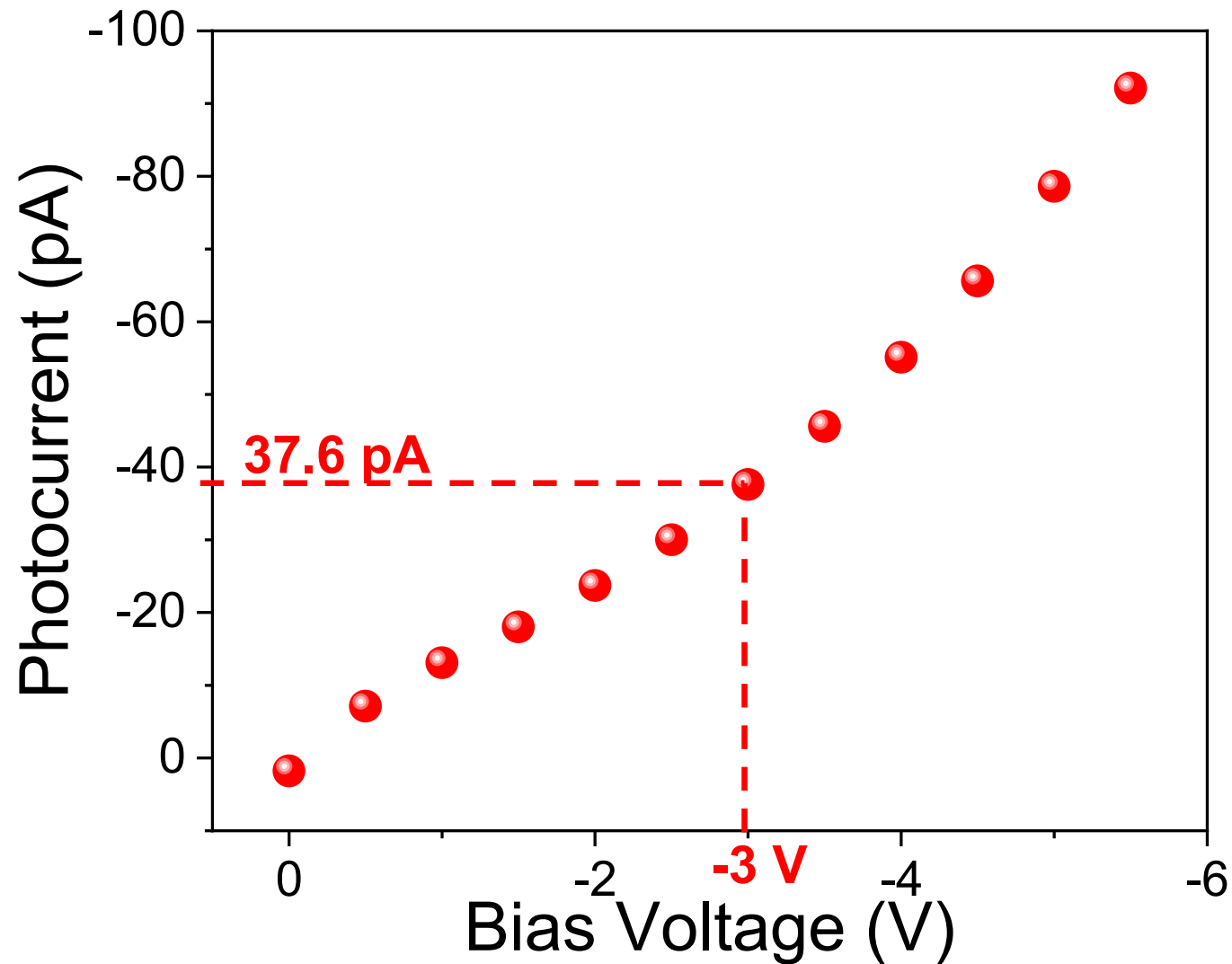
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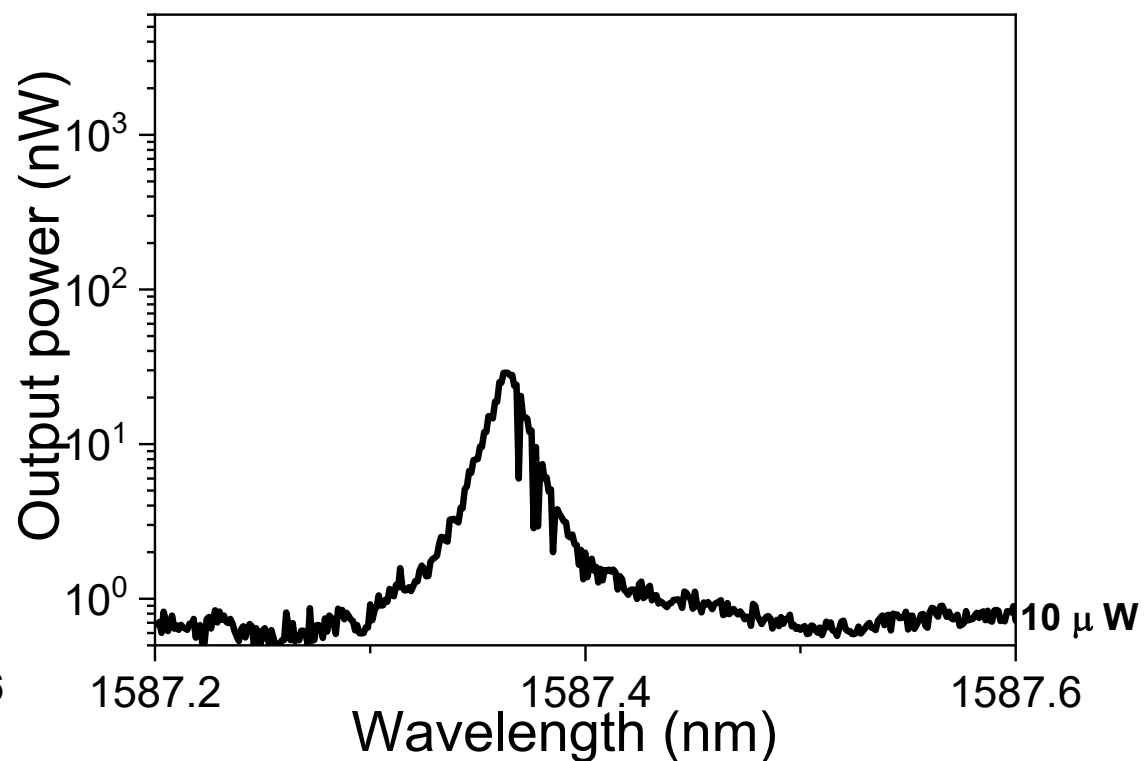
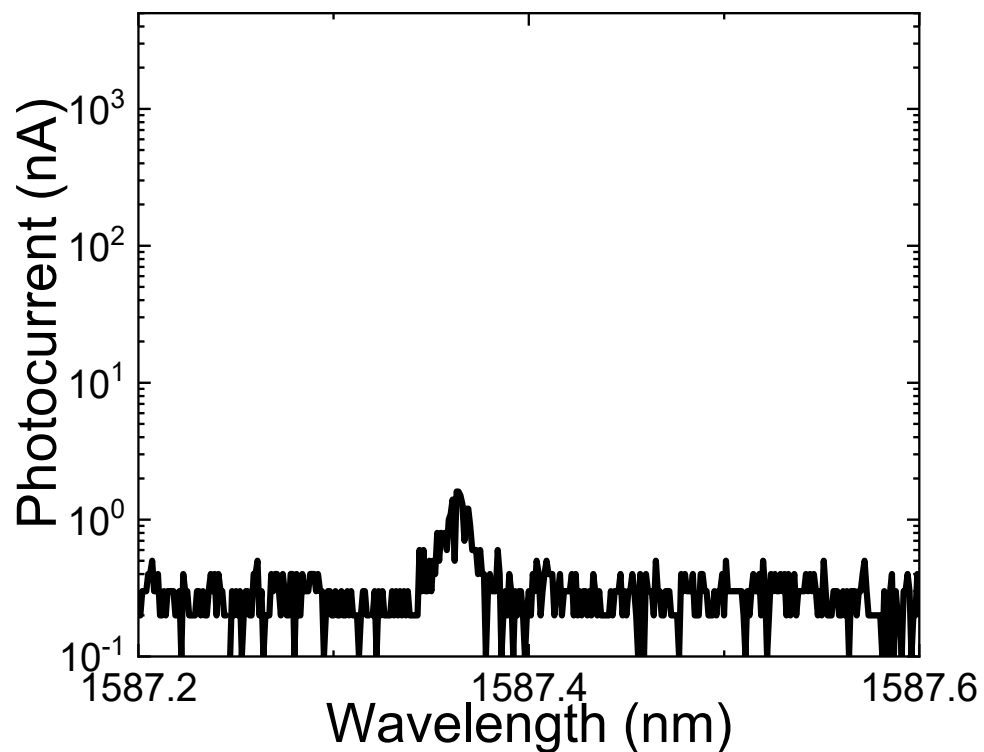


Dark (leak) current at RT

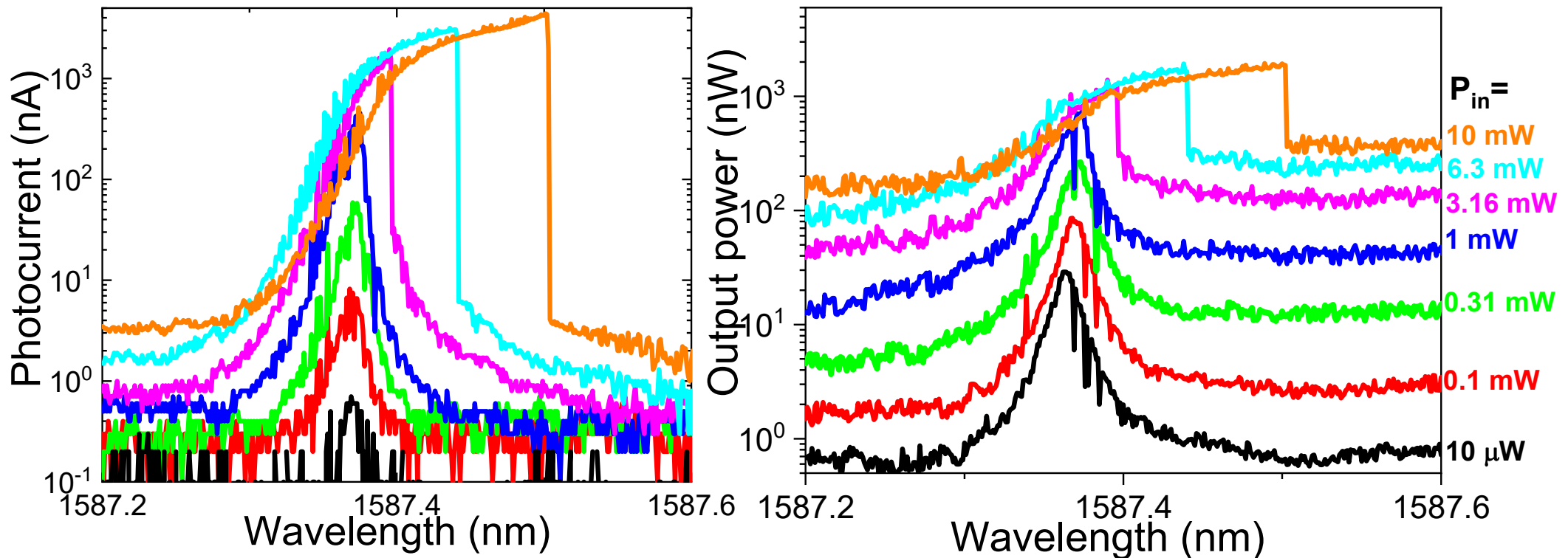


Value of leak current at -3 V is 37.6 pA

Transmission and current spectrum at different input power

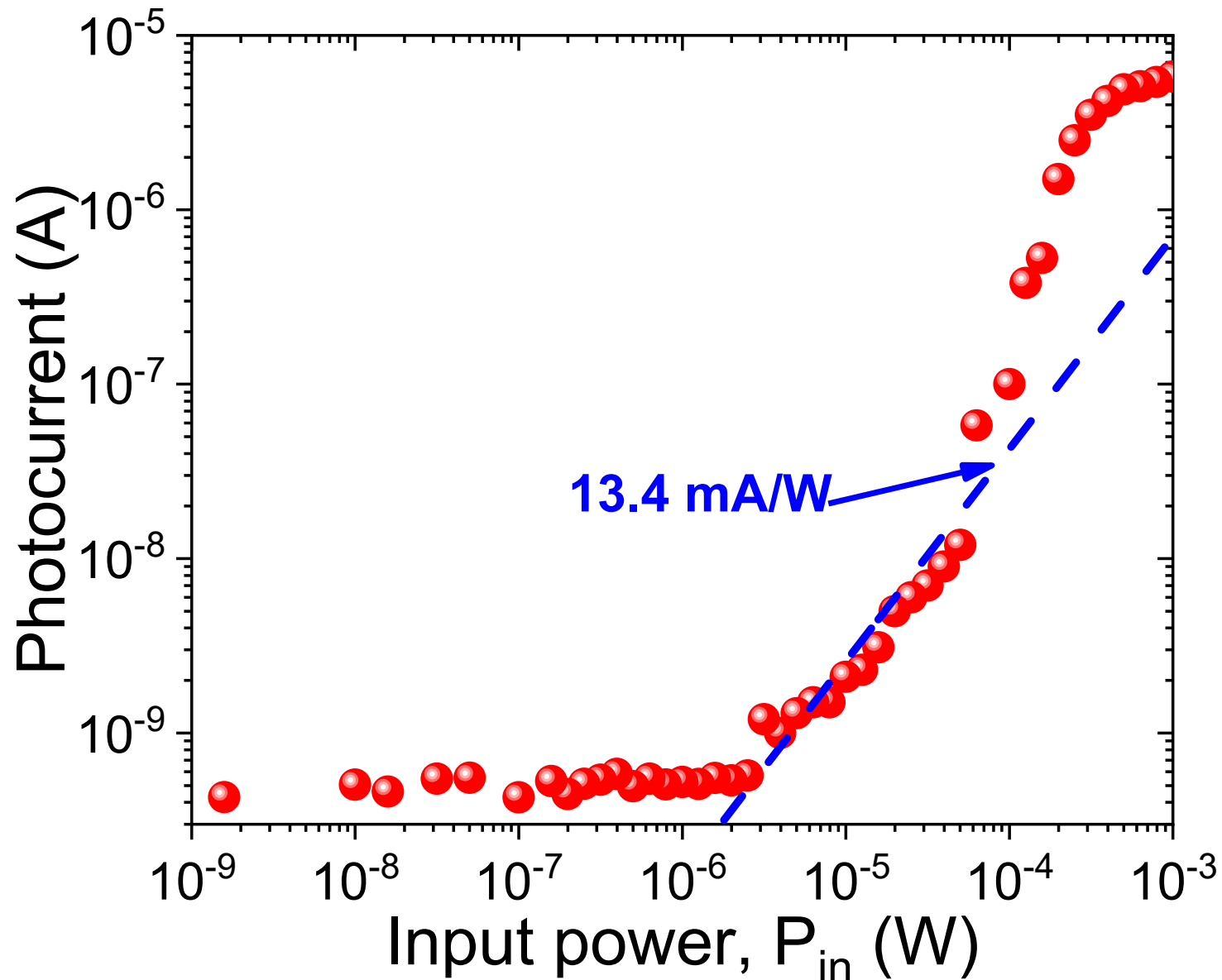


Resonance of cavity enhanced the photocurrent

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Thermo-bistability effect where carriers are generated by the two-photon absorption (TPA)

Responsivity of the device



Sensitivity of 0.89 % at 0.3 mW input power



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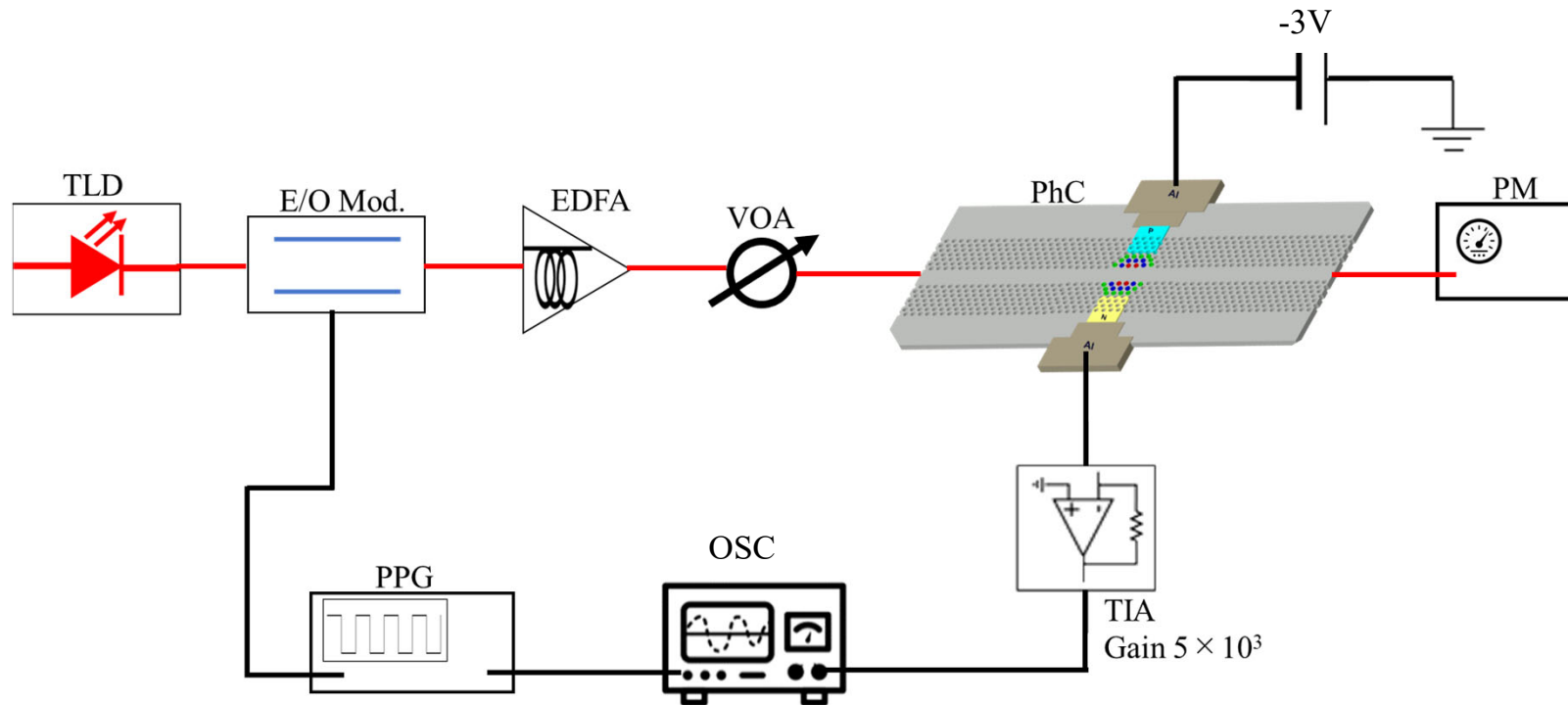
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Experimental setup



TLD : Tunable Laser Diode

E/O Mod. : Electro-optic modulator

EDFA : Erbium doped frequency amplifier

VOA : Variable optical attenuator

PM : Power meter

PPG : Pulse pattern generator

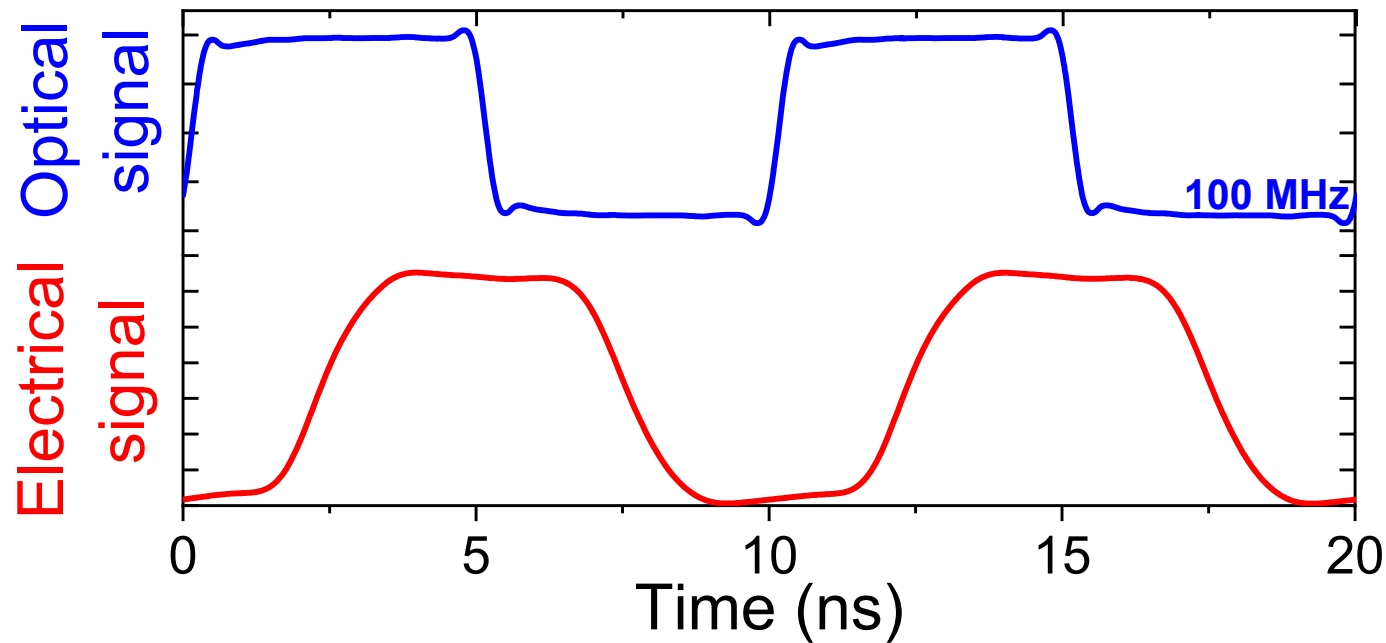
OSC : Oscilloscope

TIA : Trans-impedance amplifier

Time-domain measurement

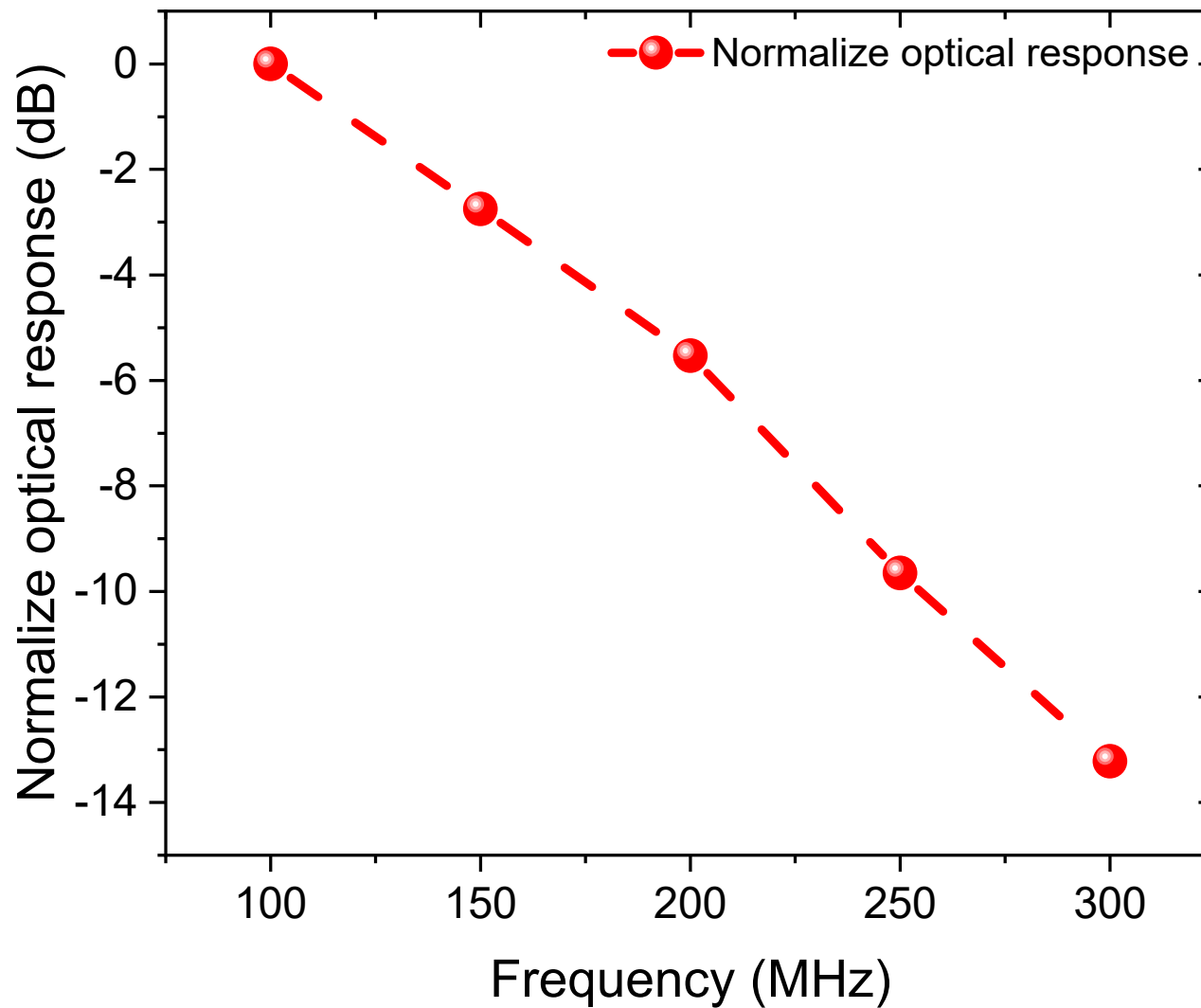


Square pulse



0.1 GHz photoreceiver operation at the resonance cavity

Time-domain measurement

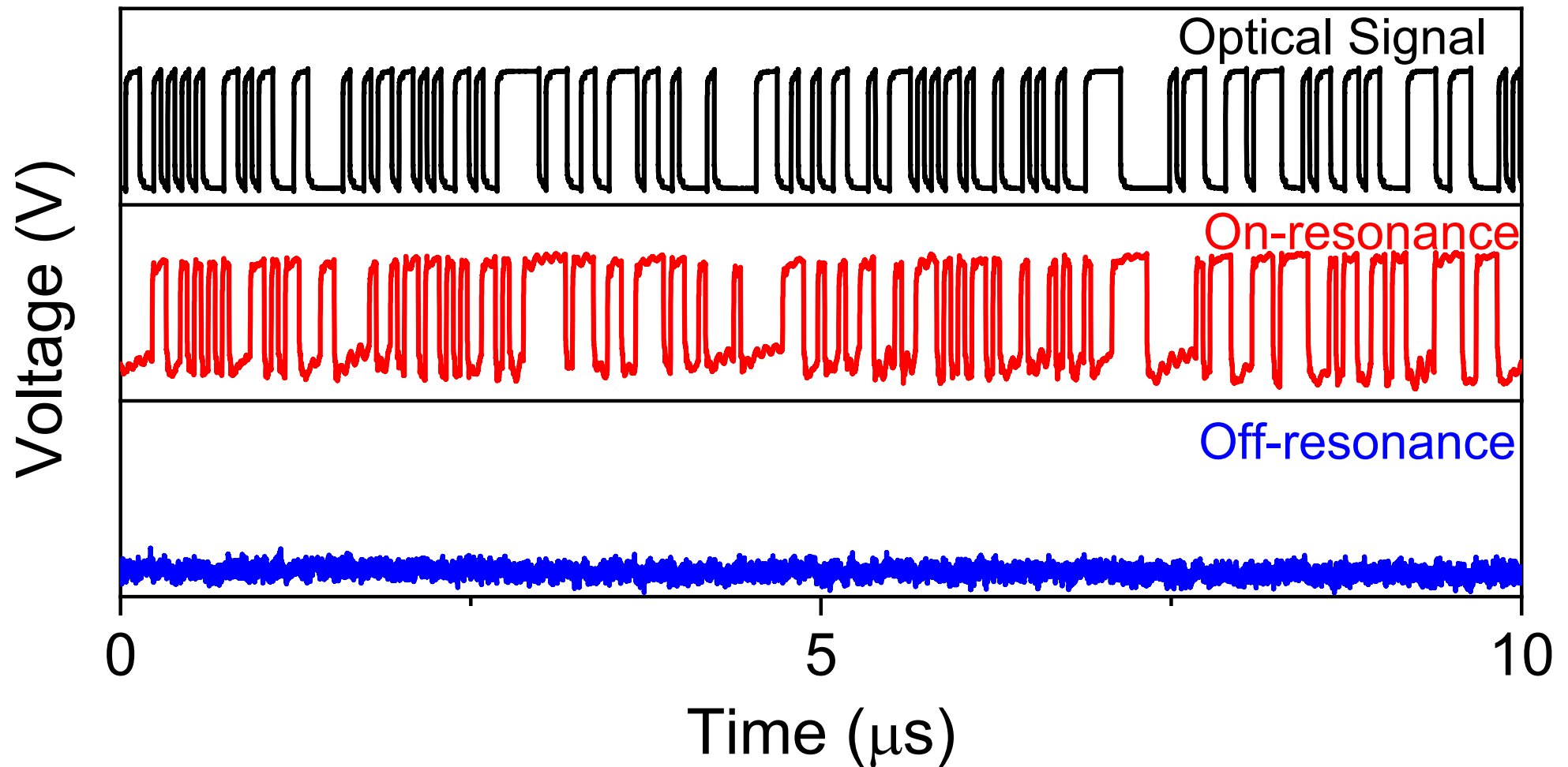


-3 dB cut-off frequency shows at 0.15 GHz

0.1 Gb/s photoreceiver demonstration



Pseudo random bit sequence pulse





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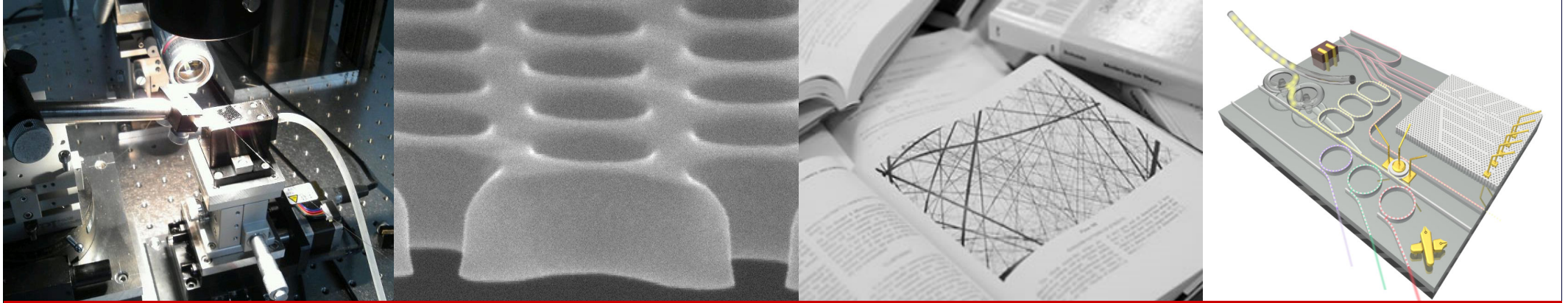
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Achievements of current work



	Quant. eff.	Dark current	Min. detectable in. light power	Device length	Operation voltage	Speed	Coupling w/ fiber	Referen
Si PhC (SiO ₂ clad)	0.89%	37.6 pA	~100 nW	8.4 μm	-3 V	0.1 GHz	-1.6 dB	This wo (2018)
Si PhC (AB)	9.7%	15 pA	0.9 nW	8.4 μm	-3 V	0.1 GHz	-12 dB	APL 96 10110 (2010)
Ge on Si	71%	169 nA	~190 nW	50 μm	-2 V	31 GHz	NA	OE 15 13965 (2007)
Si ⁺ implanted Si	~16%	0.5 nA	~2.5 nW	3~4 mm	-5 V	0.2 GHz	NA	IEEE-P 18, 188 (2006)



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