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Merging Magnetic and Electric Resonances for All-Dielectric Nanoantenna Arrays

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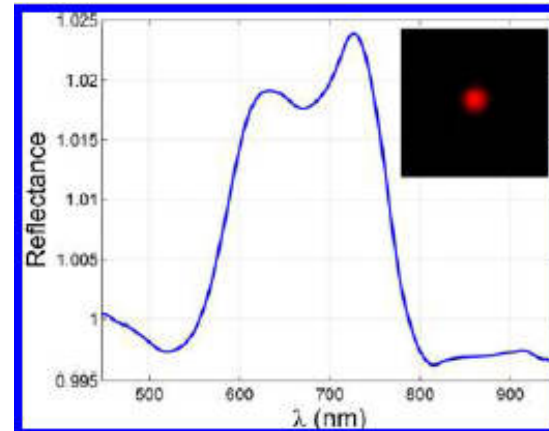
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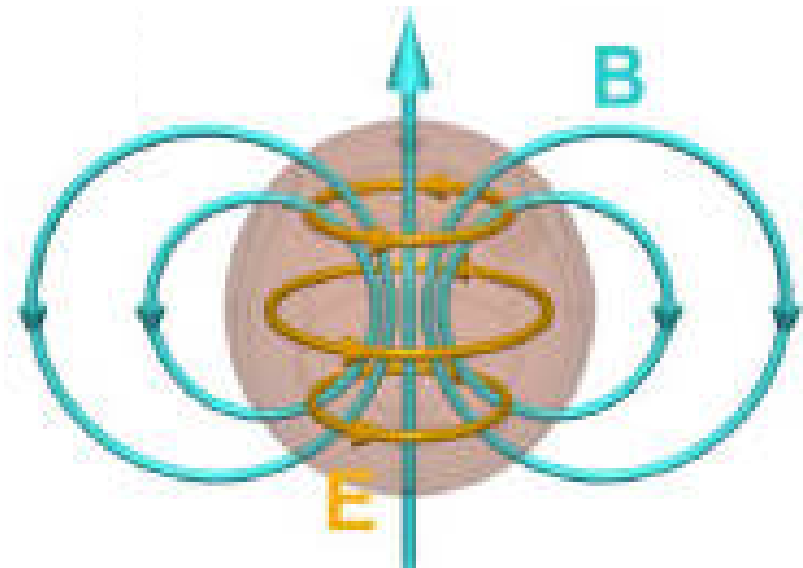
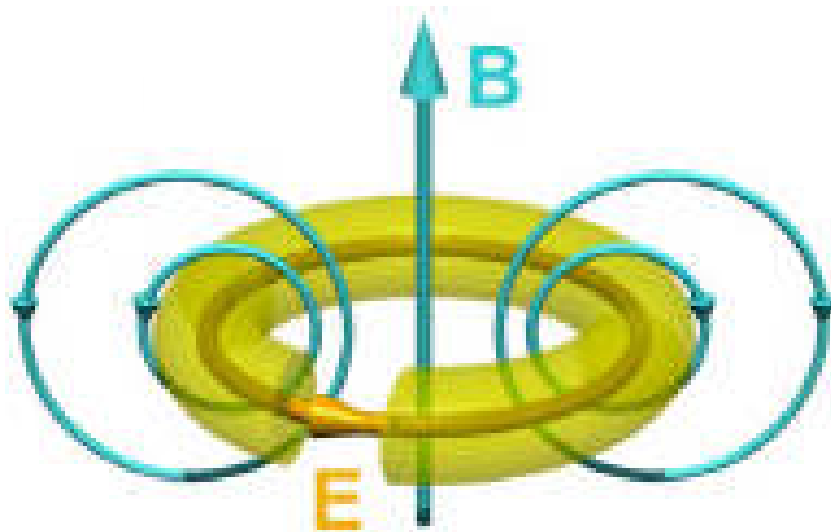


High-Index All-Dielectric Nanoparticles

- Low non-radiative losses at optical frequencies
- Strong resonances
- Both *electric* and *magnetic* modes in high-symmetry high-refractive index all-dielectric nanoparticles



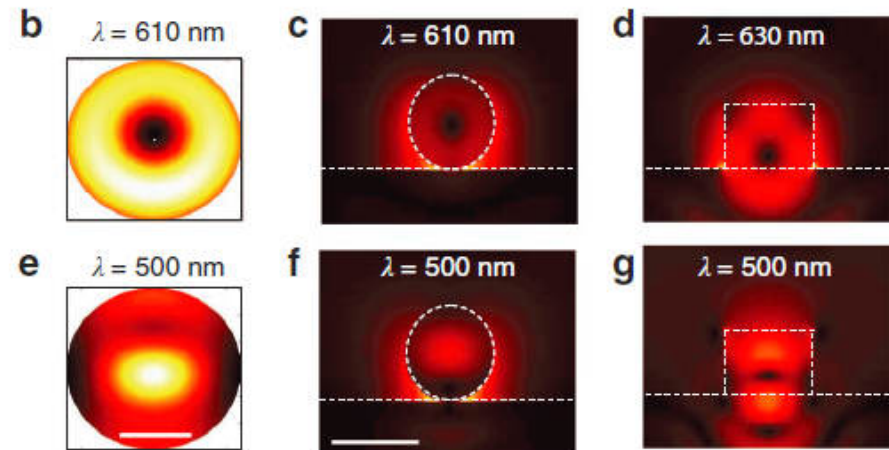
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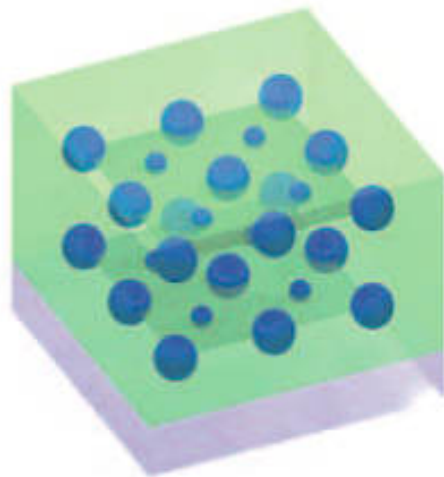
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Potential Fields of Application

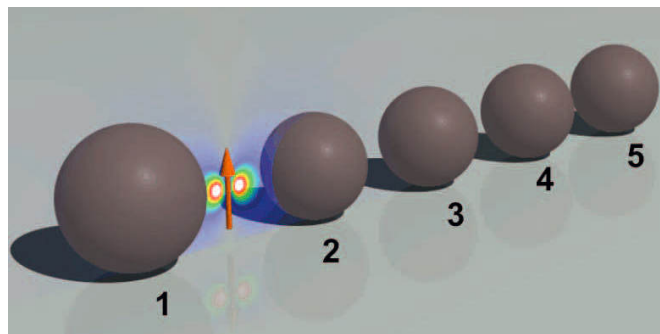
- Solar energy applications
- All-dielectric metamaterials
- All-dielectric nanoantennas
- Novel manifestation of Fano resonances (sensing)



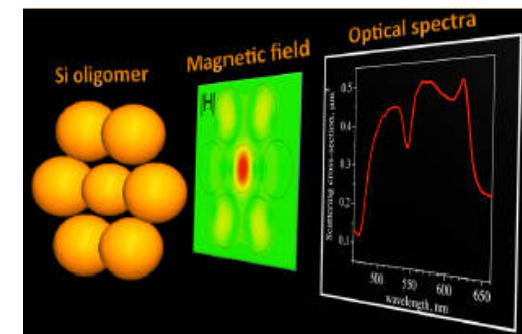
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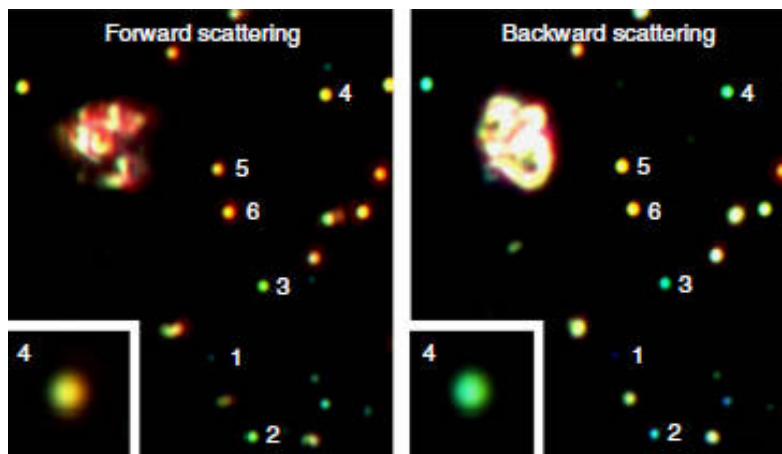
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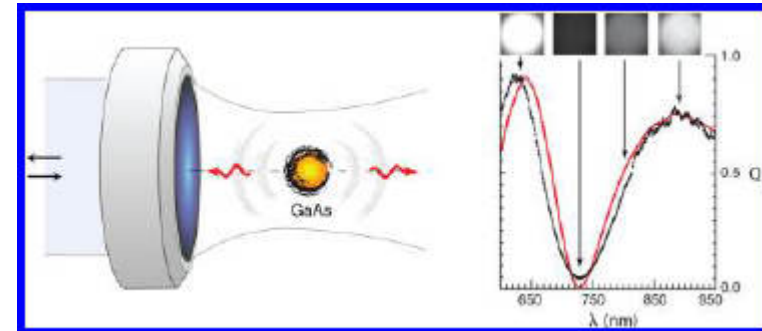
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Resonance Interplay

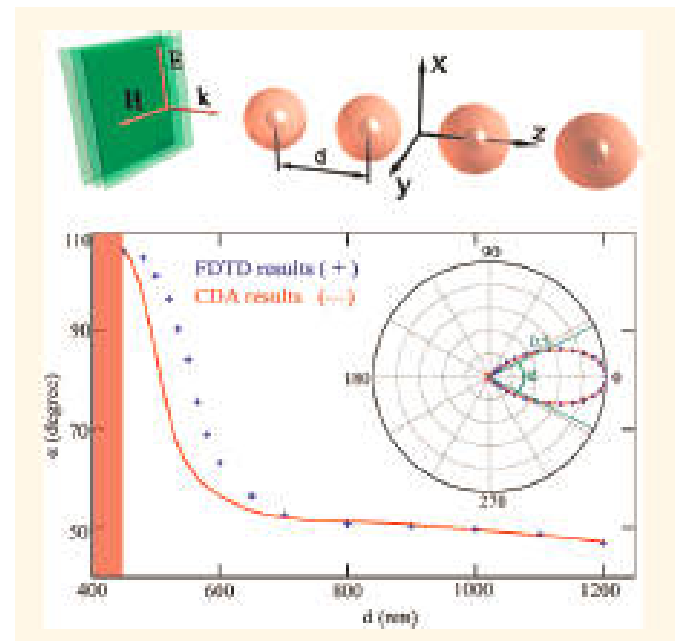
- Strong effects on scattering pattern
- Kerker-conditions for hypothetical magneto-electric spheres (M. Kerker *et al.*, *J. Opt. Soc. Am.* **73**, 765.)
- Larger scattering cross-sections for resonant scattering



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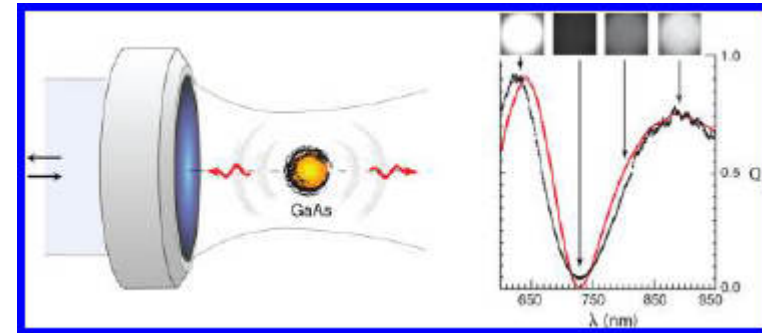


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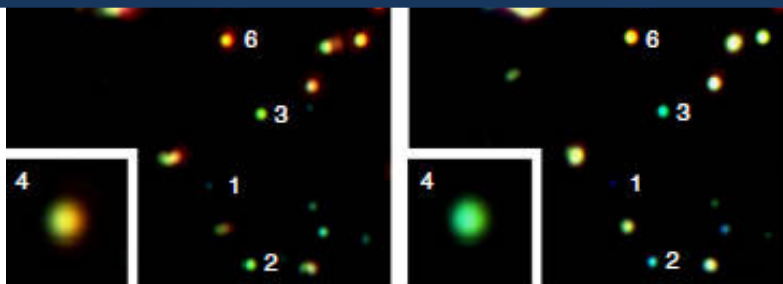
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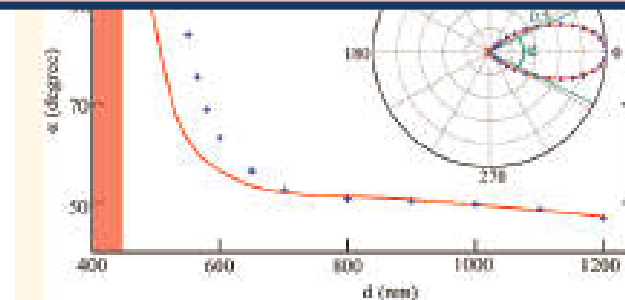


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- Can we design all-dielectric subwavelength particles with overlapping electric and magnetic resonances?



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Discrete Dipole Model

- Multipole light scattering by nonspherical nanoparticles in the discrete dipole approximation

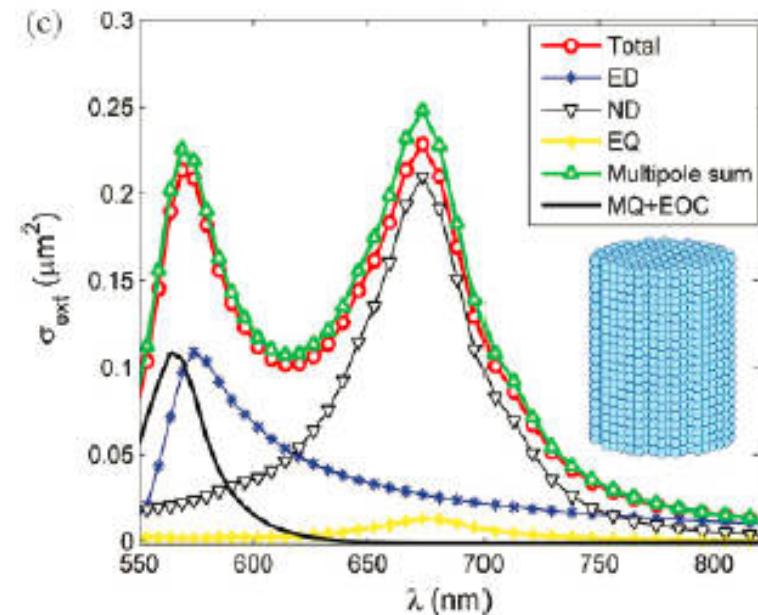
$$\sigma_{\text{ext}} \approx \sigma_{\text{ext}}^p + \sigma_{\text{ext}}^m$$

$$\sigma_{\text{ext}}^p = \frac{k_b}{\varepsilon_0 \varepsilon_b |\mathbf{E}_0|^2} \text{Im} (\mathbf{E}_0^* (\mathbf{r}_0) \cdot \mathbf{p}), \quad \sigma_{\text{ext}}^m = \frac{k_b}{\varepsilon_b |\mathbf{H}_0|^2} \text{Im} (\mathbf{H}_0^* (\mathbf{r}_0) \cdot \mathbf{m})$$

$$\mathbf{p}_j = \alpha_p \mathbf{E}_0(\mathbf{r}_j) + \alpha_p \frac{k_0^2}{\varepsilon_0} \sum_{l \neq j}^N \hat{G}(\mathbf{r}_j, \mathbf{r}_l) \mathbf{p}_l$$

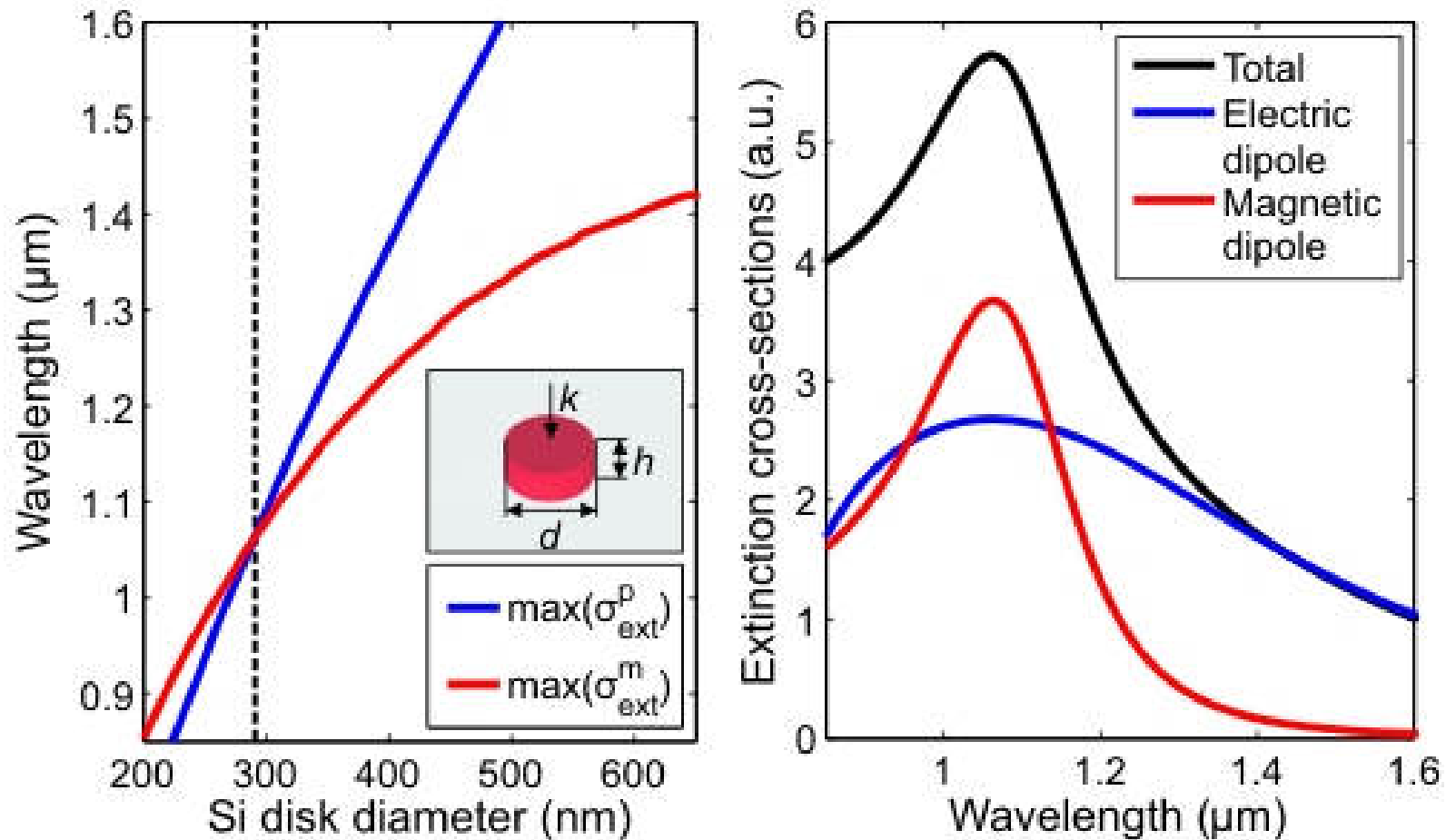
$$\mathbf{m}_j(\mathbf{r}_0) = \frac{\omega}{2i} (\mathbf{r}_j - \mathbf{r}_0) \times \mathbf{p}_j$$

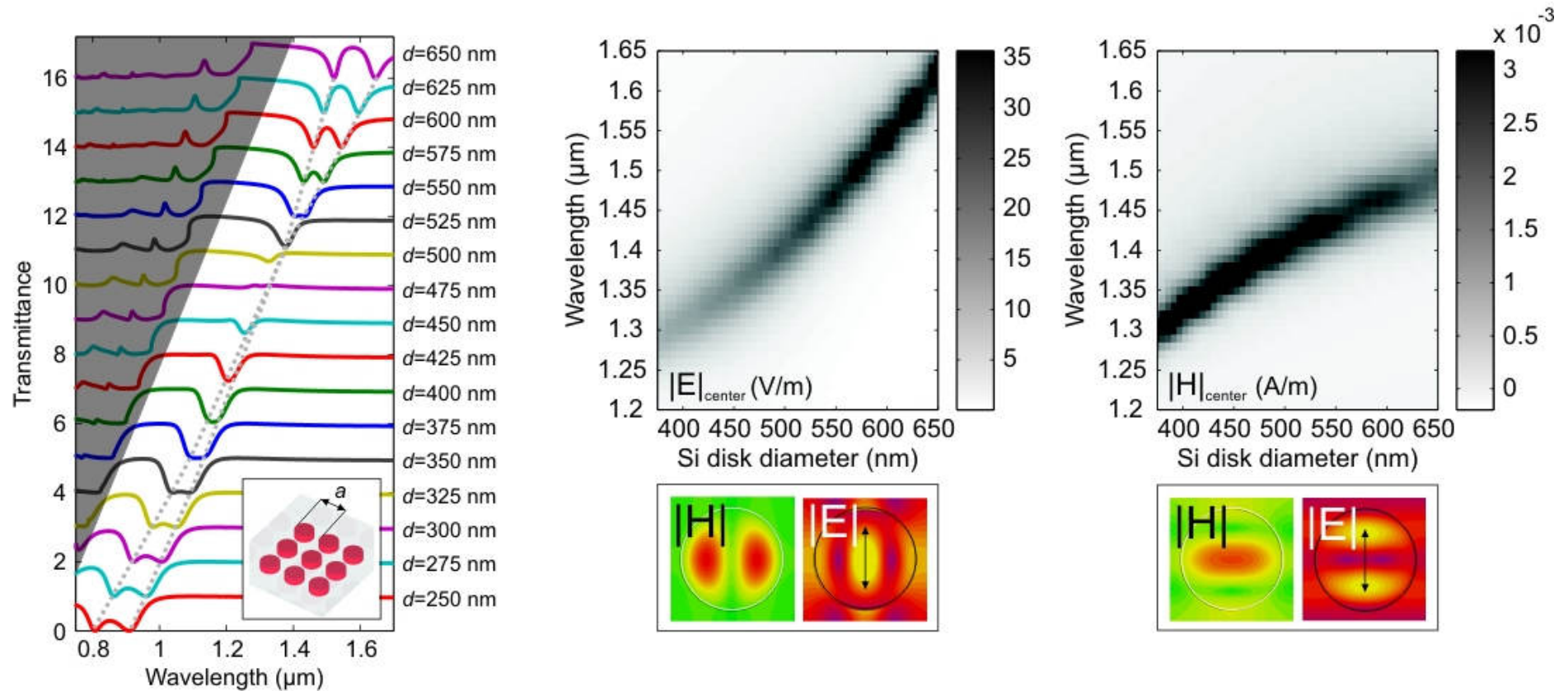
$$\mathbf{p} = \sum_{j=1}^{IV} \mathbf{p}_j, \quad \mathbf{m} = \sum_{j=1}^{IV} \mathbf{m}_j(\mathbf{r}_0).$$



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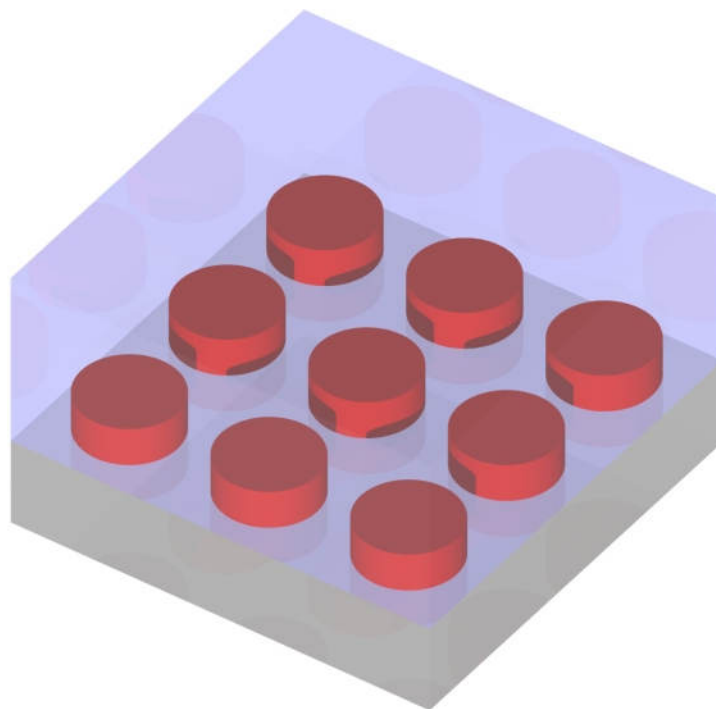
- Multipole light scattering by silicon nanodisks embedded into $n = 1.5$ medium for systematic variation of the disk aspect ratio ($h = 220$ nm)



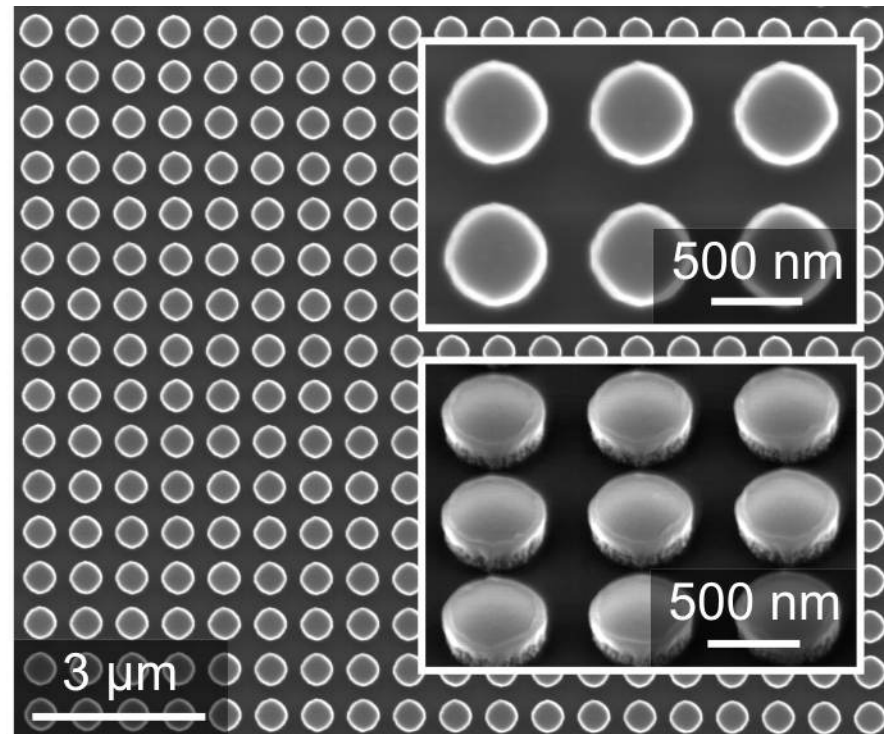


- Complete crossing of electric and magnetic resonances can be achieved
- Transmittance approaches unity for resonance overlap

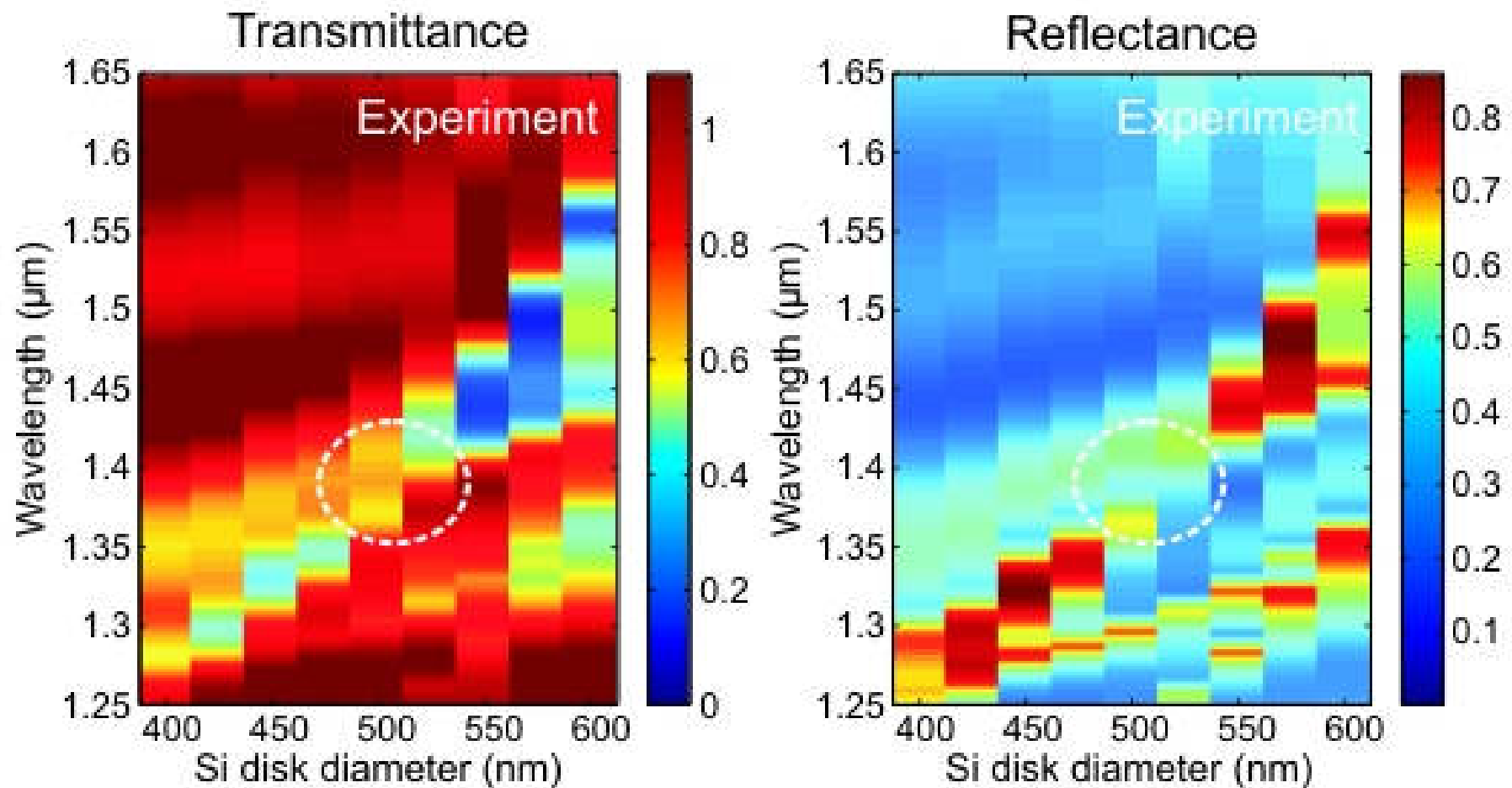
Sketch of the experimental geometry



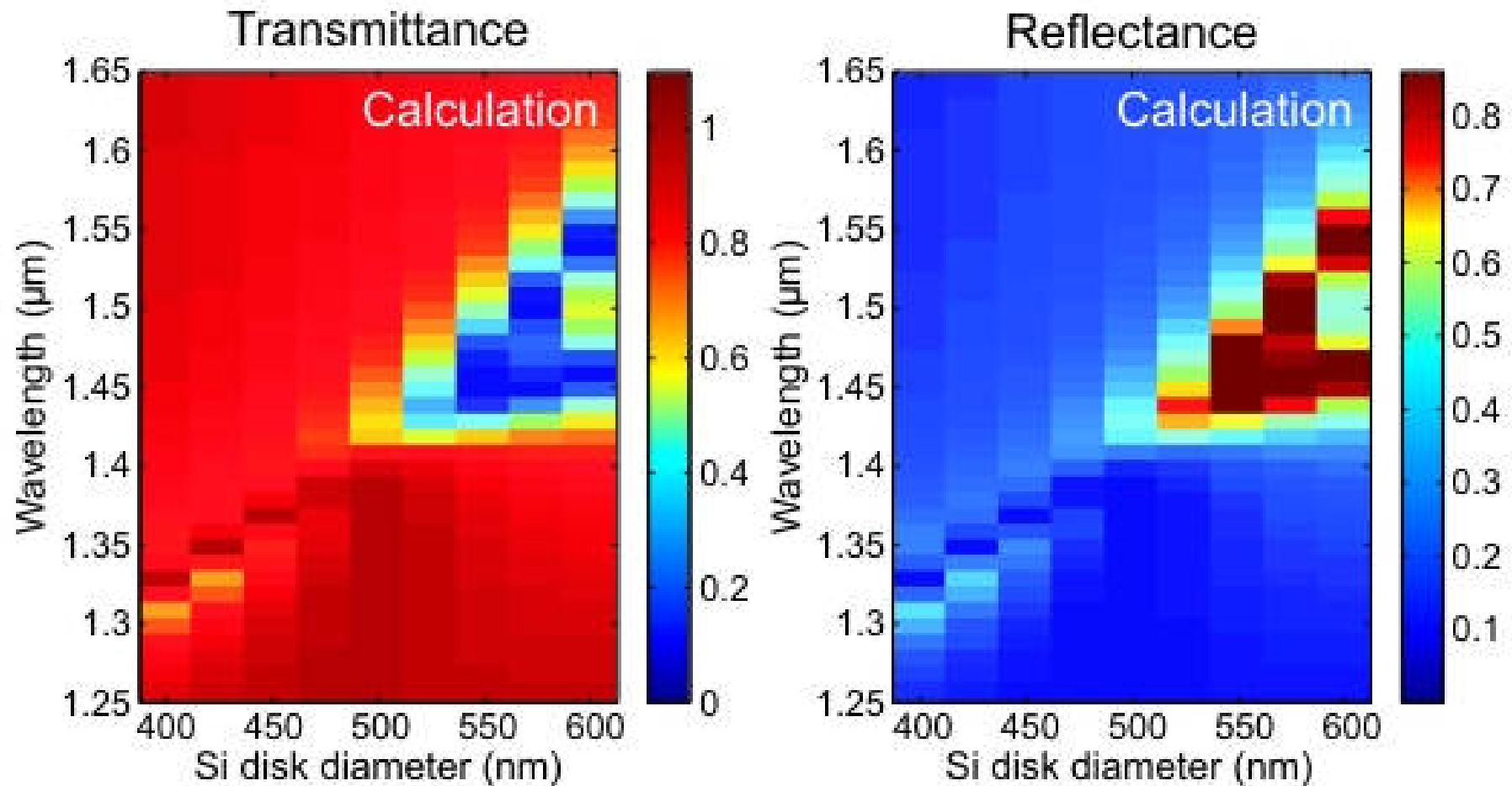
Electron-micrograph of fabricated silicon nanodisk array



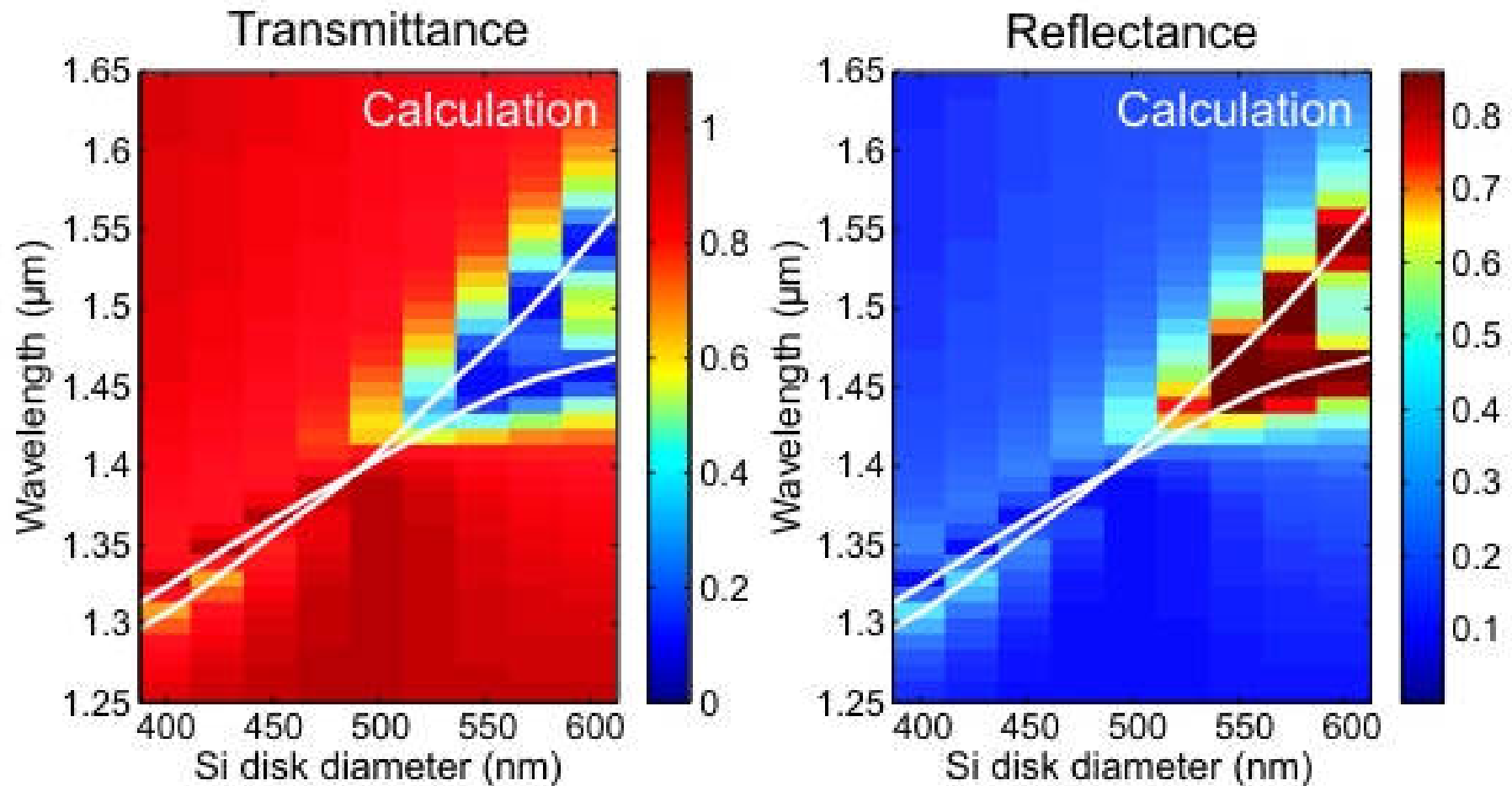
- Embedded disks



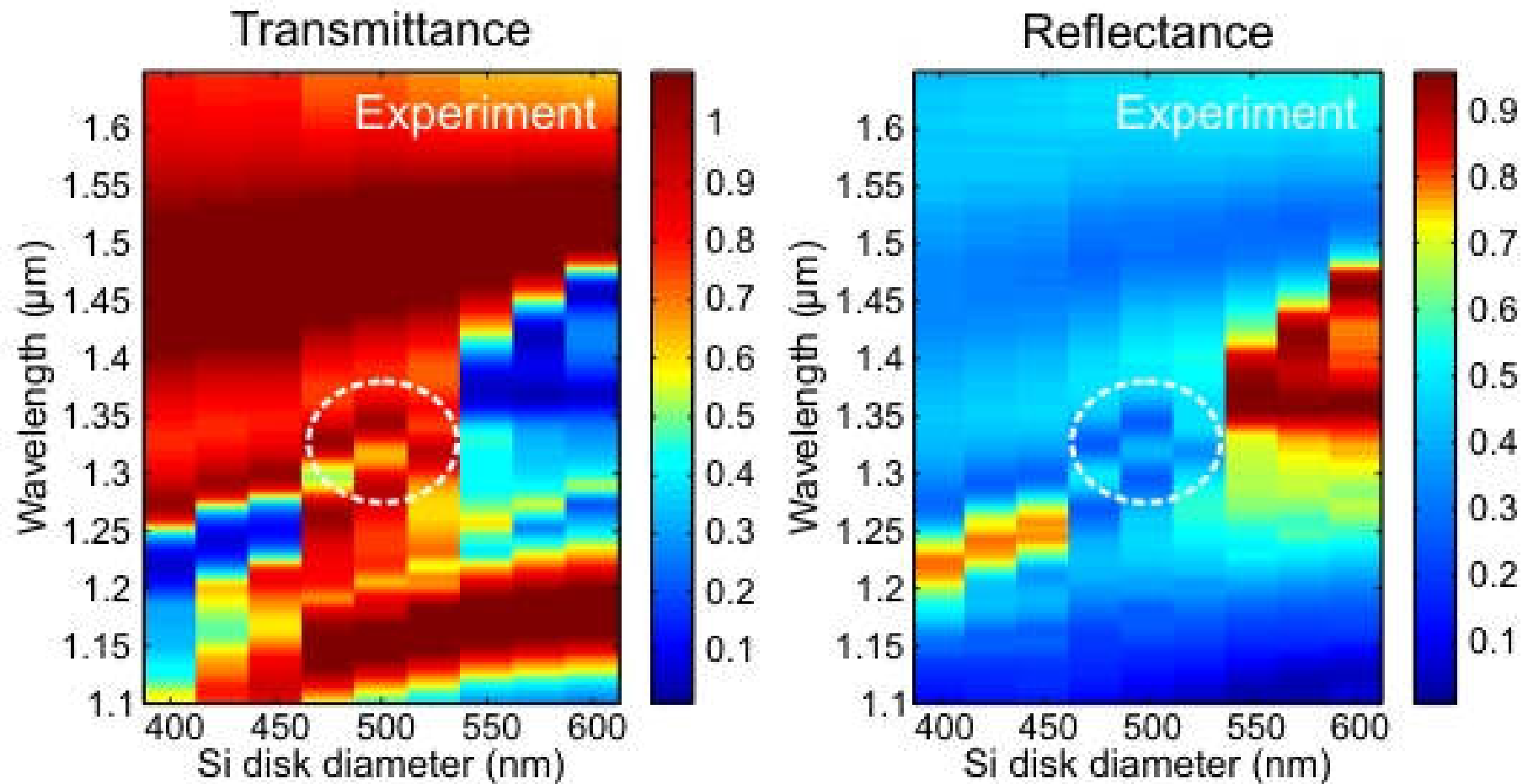
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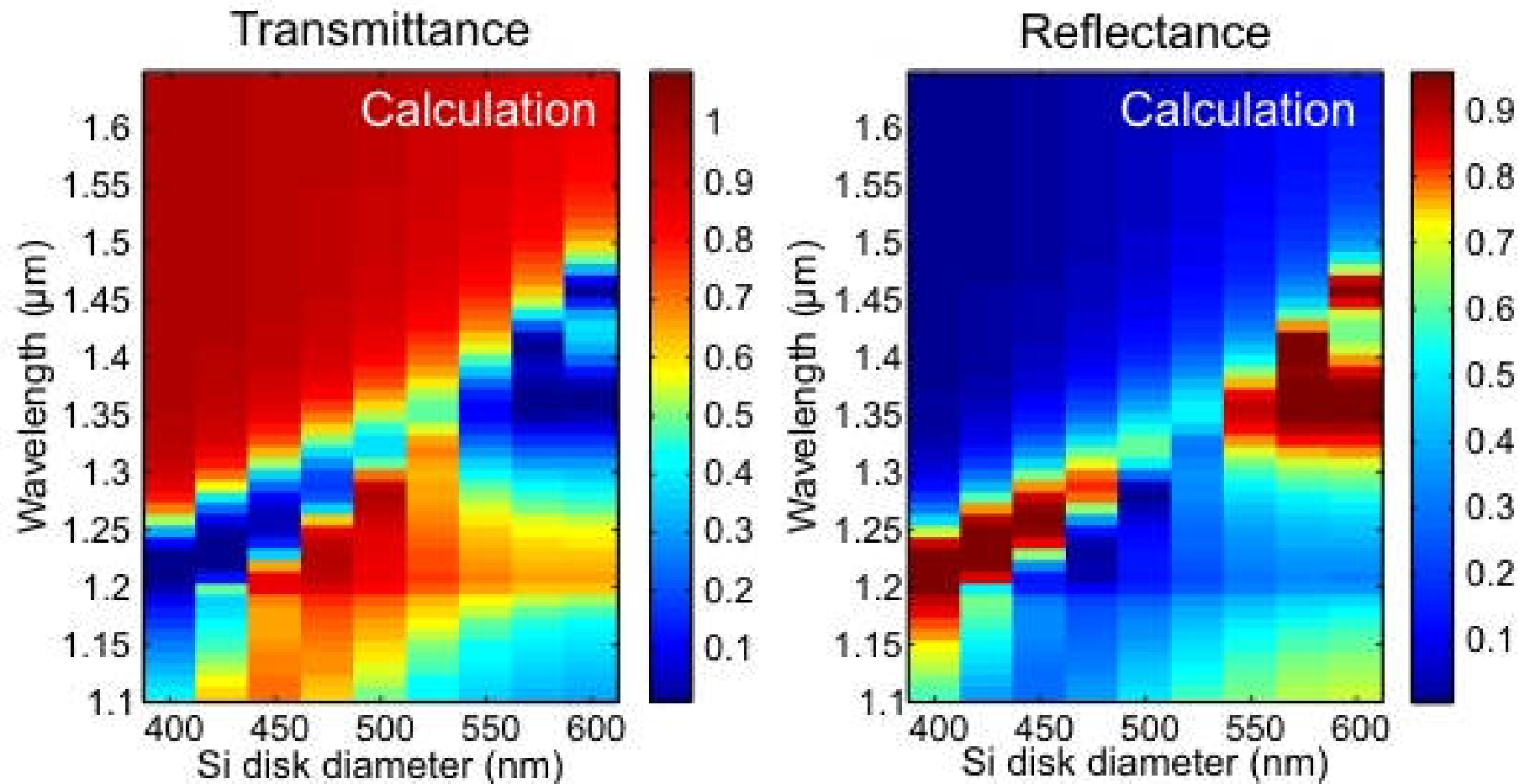
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- Free standing (not embedded) disks



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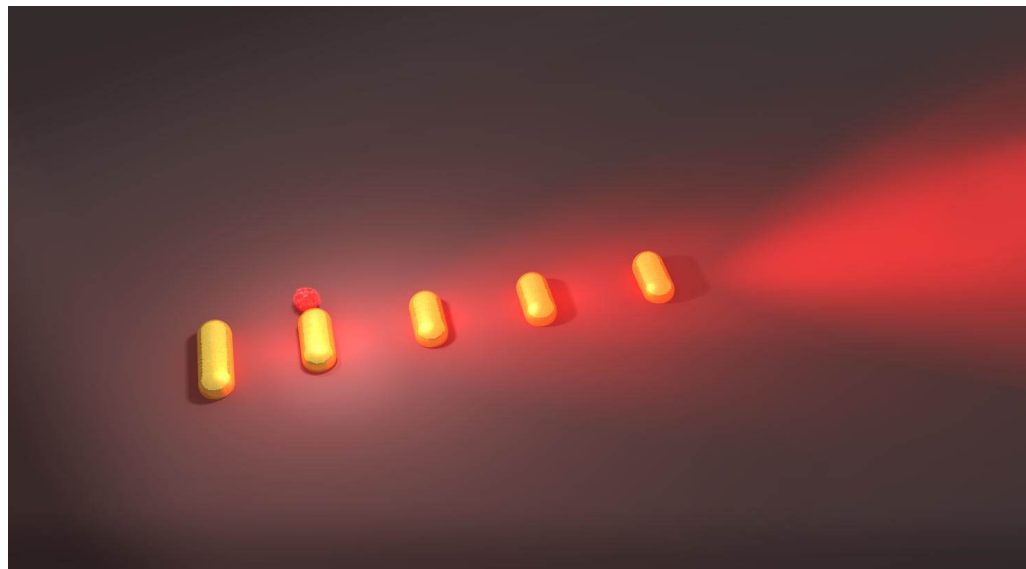


- Beer-Lambert law

$$T \approx \exp(-\sigma_{ext}/a^2)$$

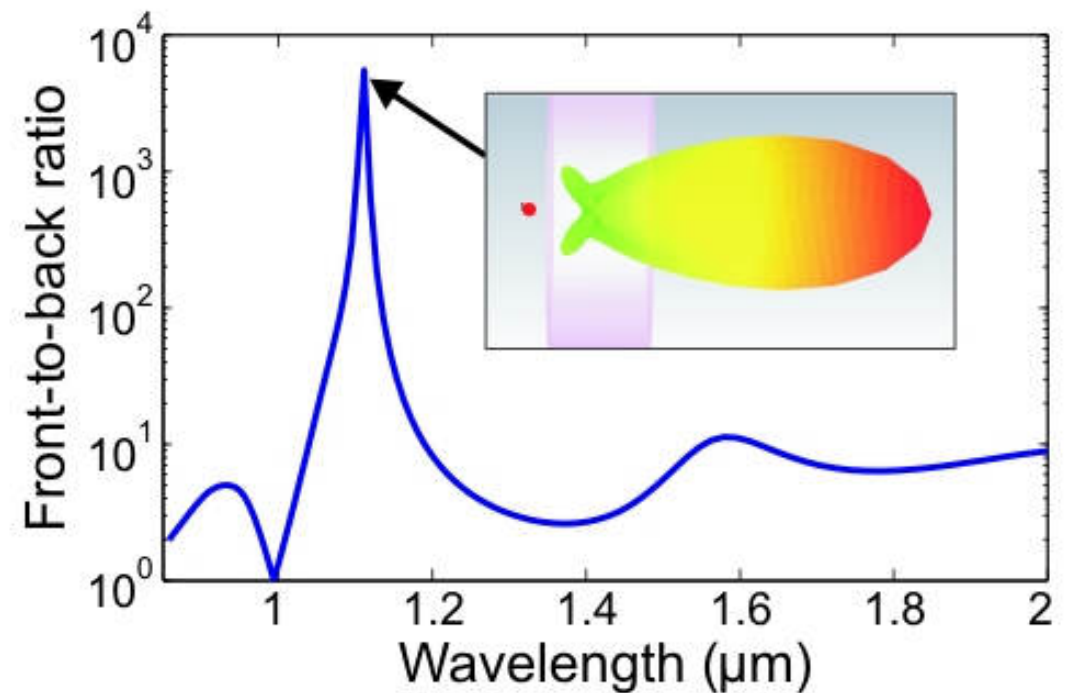
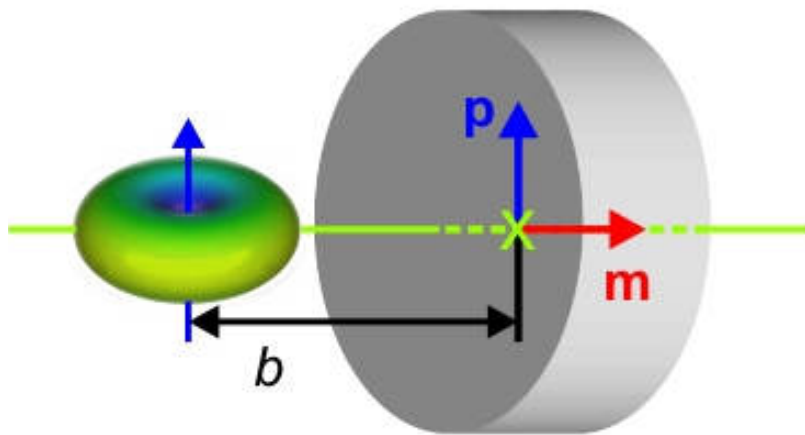
- For a single resonance:
 - T min, σ_{ext} max
 - Destructive interference of the incident wave and the scattered wave in forward direction
- Resonance overlap:
 - $T \approx 1$ despite a maximum in σ_{ext}
 - Destructive interference of the incident wave and the scattered waves in backward direction
 - Strong resonance in phase
- Alternative point of view: Impedance matching ($\varepsilon \approx \mu$)

- How about other cases?
 - Non-overlap
 - Off-resonance
- Is it possible to tailor mode interplay to achieve highly directional emission from a dipole source?

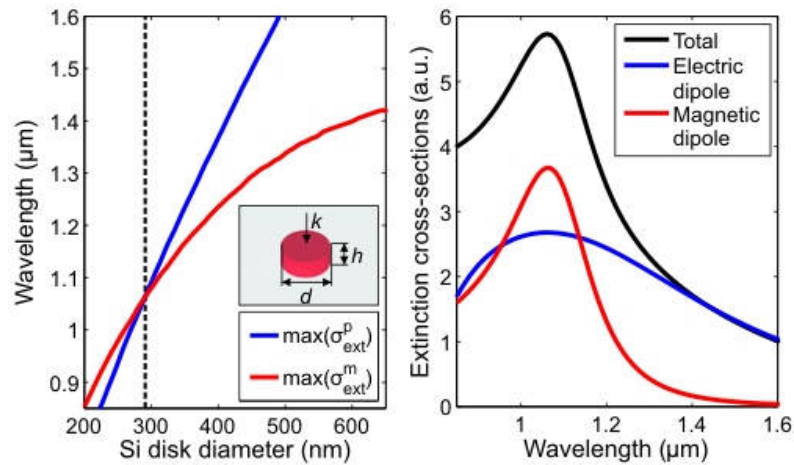


Silicon Disk Nanoantennas

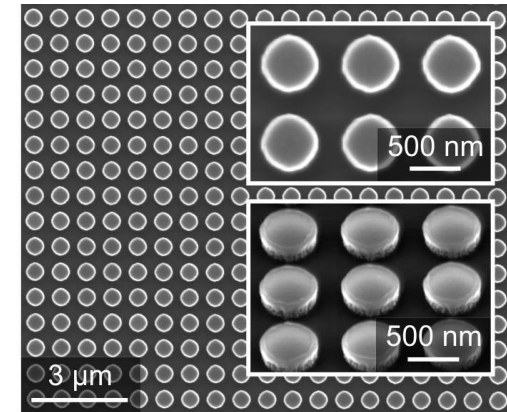
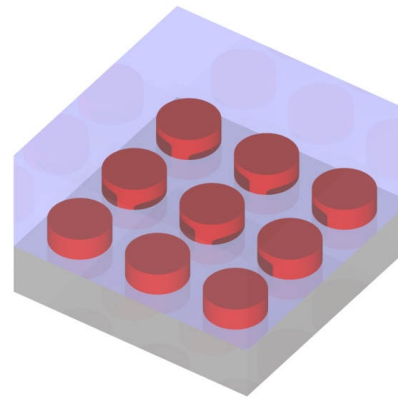
- Silicon nanodisk with $d = 620$ nm
- Dipole emitter located 45 nm away from the disk surface
- Embedded into $n = 1.5$ medium



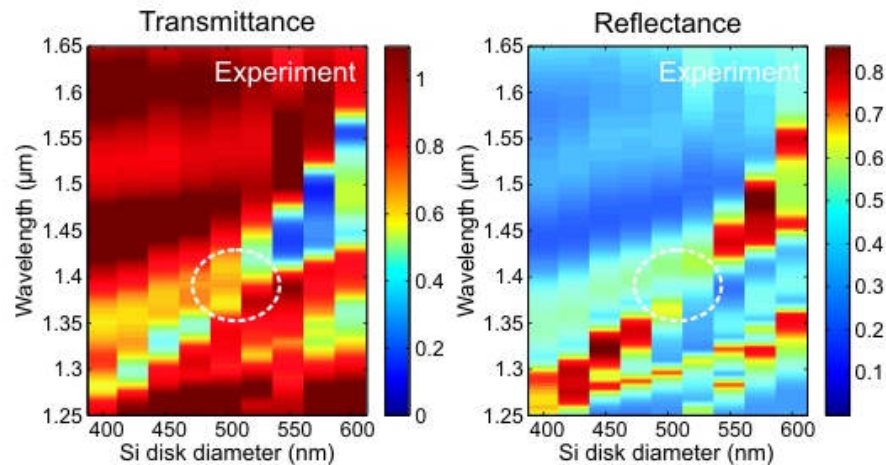
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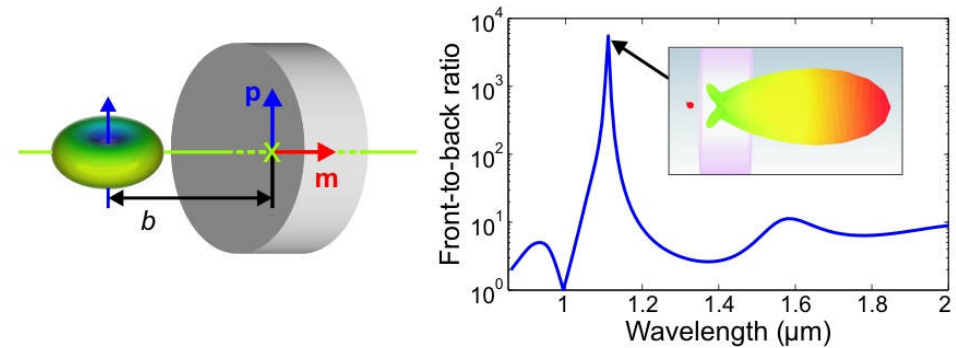
Fabrication in SOI technology



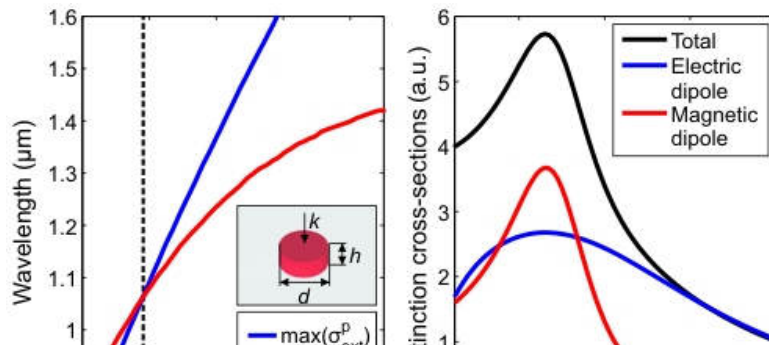
Optical measurements



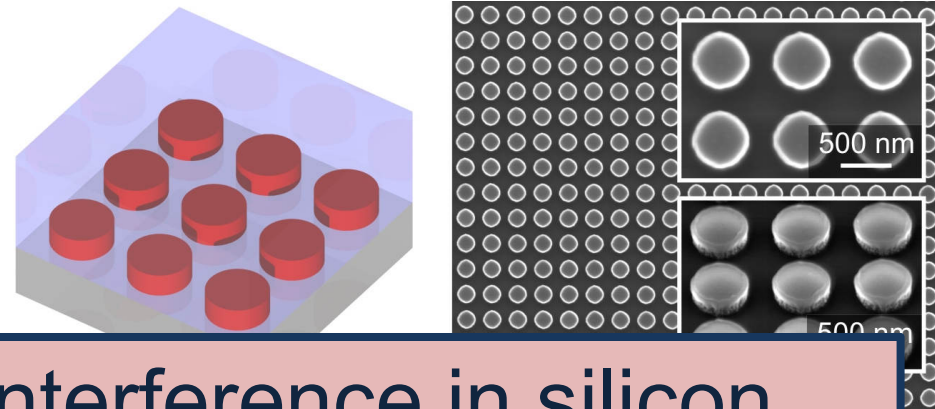
Giant front-to-back ratio



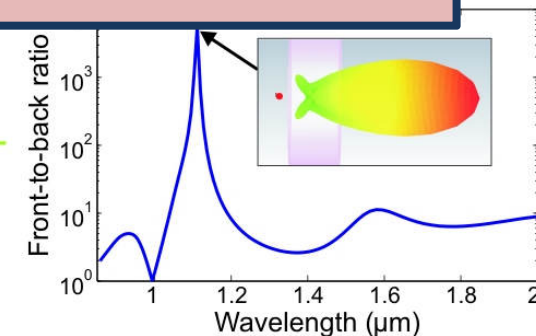
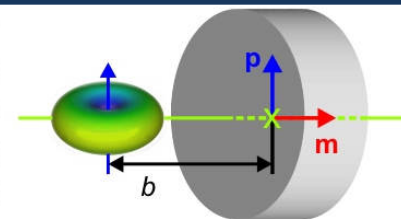
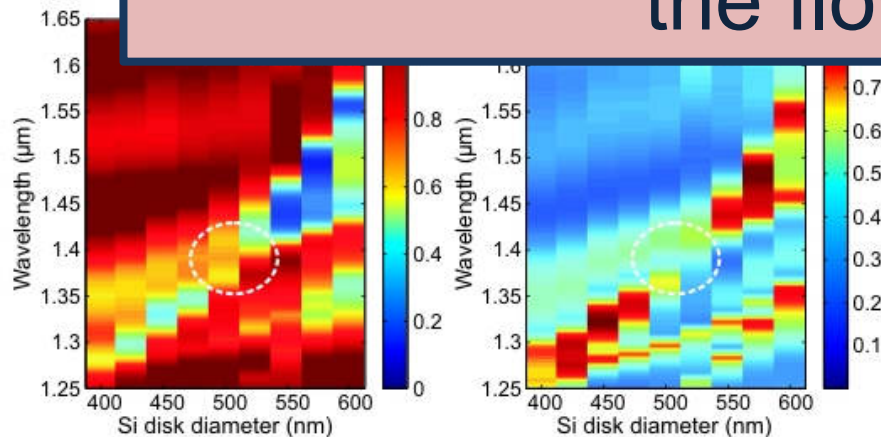
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Tailoring mode interference in silicon nanodisks is a powerful tool to engineer the flow of light!





Thank you!



- High-index all-dielectric subwavelength particles
- Overlapping electric and magnetic resonances for embedded silicon nanodisks:
 - Discrete dipole model
 - Numerical analysis
 - Experiment
- Off-resonant effects
- Conclusions

