

Topological photonic structures for nanophotonics

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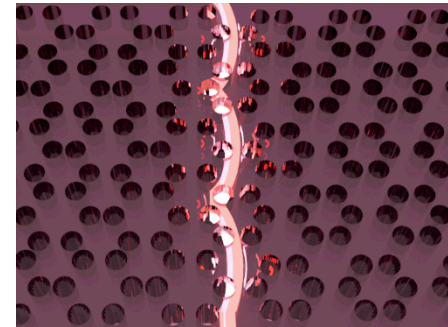
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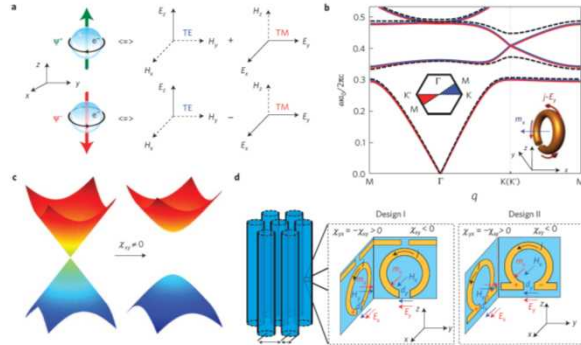
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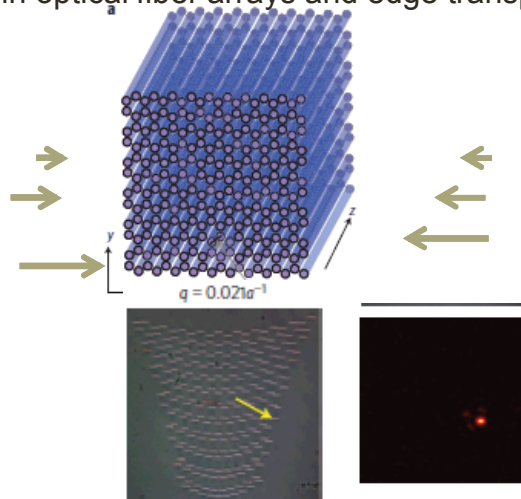
Topological Photonics Research Activities

Metamaterial Photonic Topological Insulator



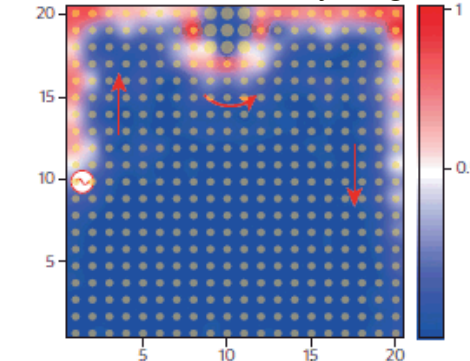
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Strain induced pseud mag. field in optical fiber arrays and edge transport



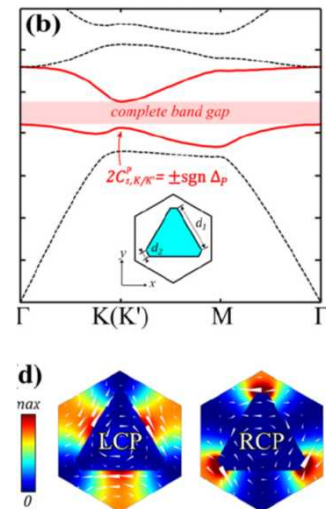
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Simulation of Oneway edge transport



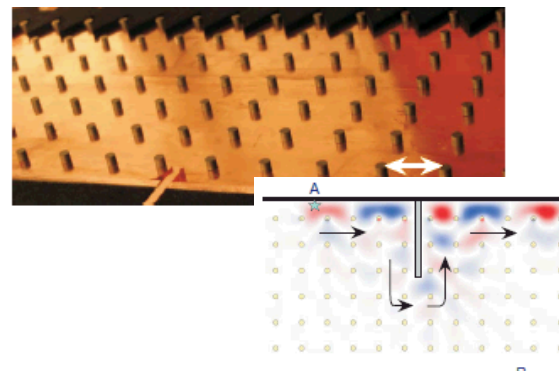
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Valley hall Photonic Topological Insulator

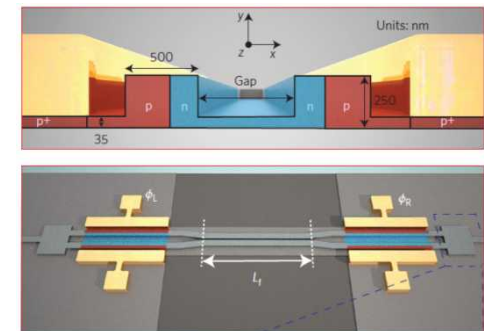


M. Tzuchuan and S. Gennady, **New Journal of Physics** **18** (2), 025012 (2016).

One-way scatter transport at microwave frequency ~ 4GHz in 2DPCs



Z. Wang et. al. **Nat.** **461** (2009)



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Modified honeycomb lattice of hexagonal cylindrical dielectric rods

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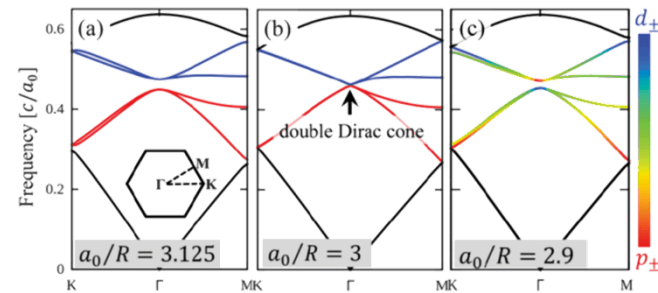
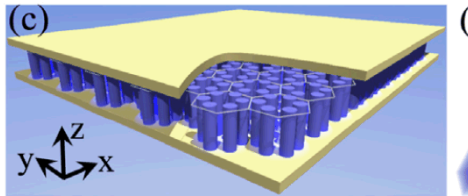
Scheme for Achieving a Topological Photonic Crystal by Using Dielectric Material

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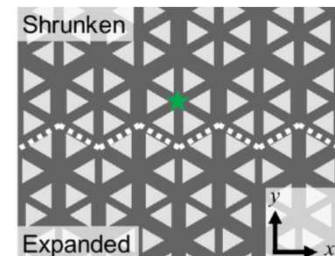
Inverse structure : holes in high dielectric matrix

- ✓ More suitable for optical frequency implementation (e.g. in SOI, III-V)

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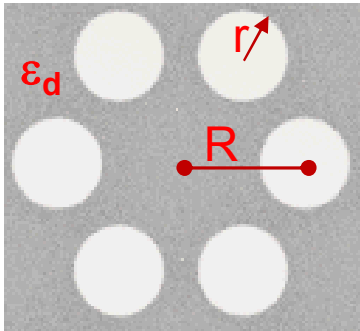
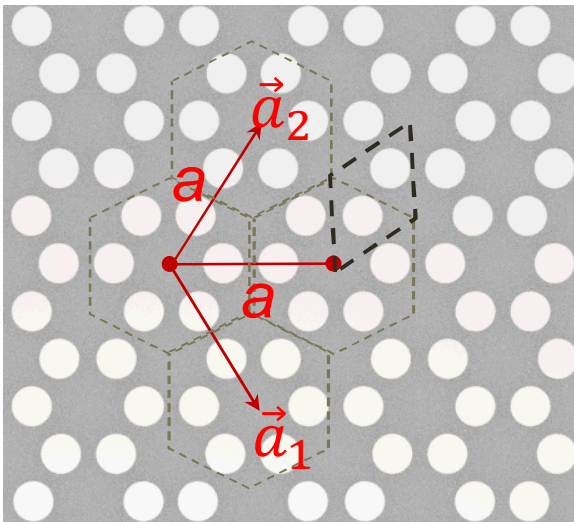
Two-dimensionally confined topological edge states in photonic crystals

Sabyasachi Barik^{1,2,5}, Hirokazu Miyake^{2,5}, Wade DeGottardi², Edo Waks² and Mohammad Hafezi^{2,3,4}

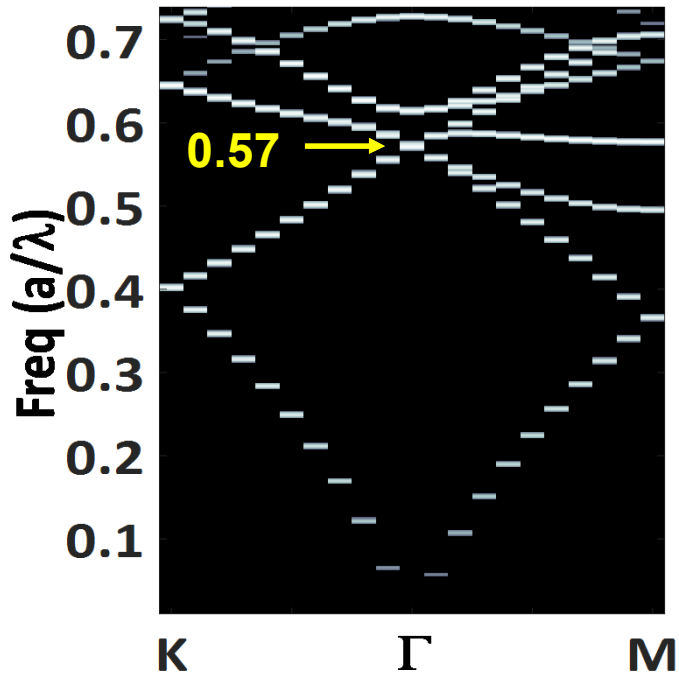
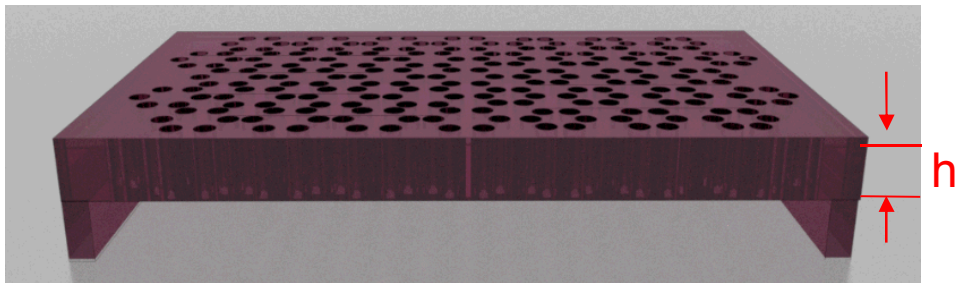
Difficult to fabricate

Circular Hole Array Honeycomb Lattice Photonic Crystal

□ Simplifies nanofabrication

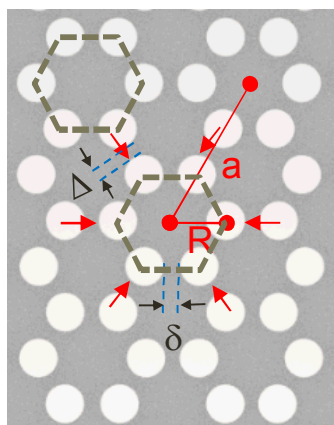


- $a/R = 3.0$
- $r = 0.13a$
- $h = 0.25a$



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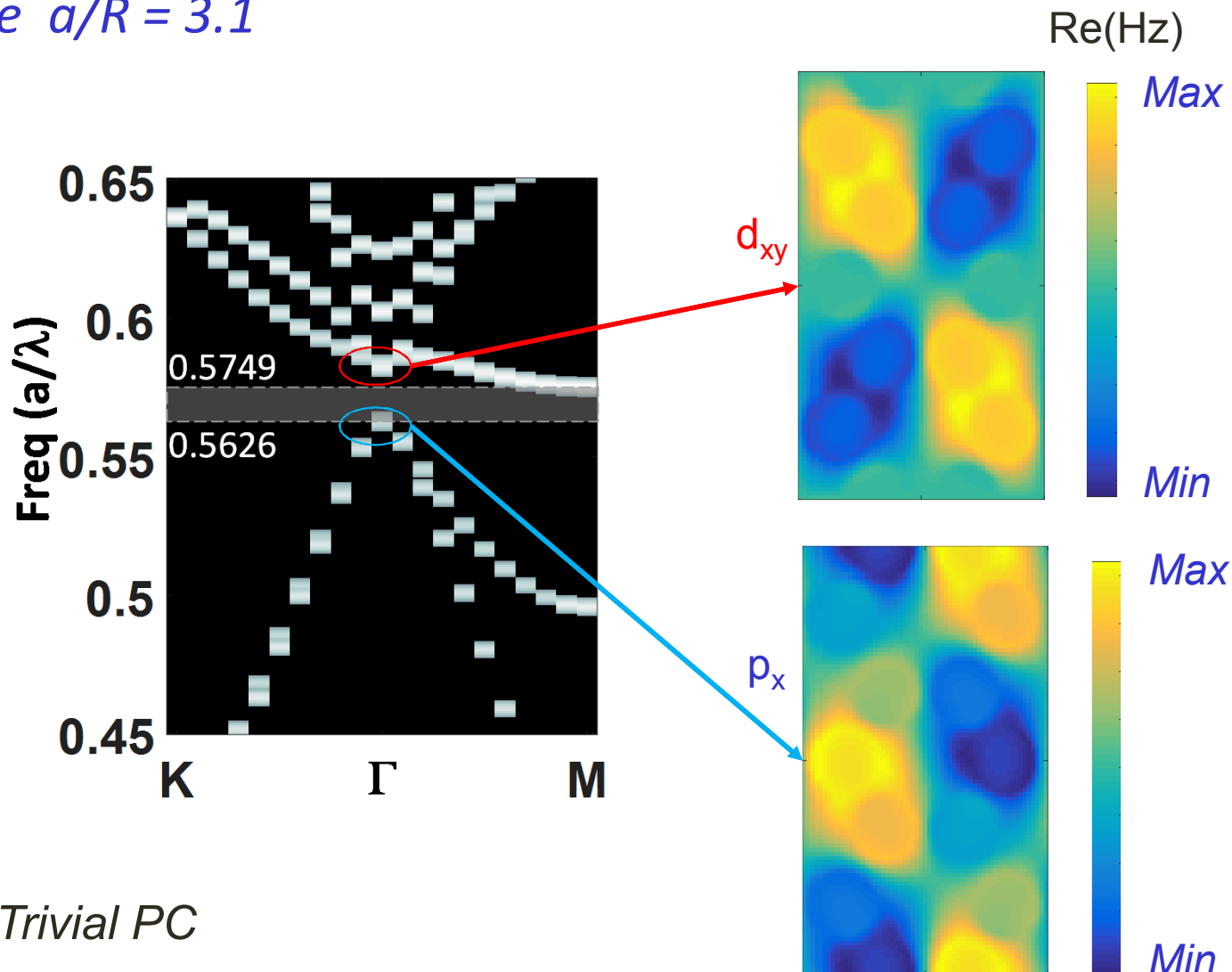
Compressed lattice $a/R = 3.1$



$$\Delta = a - 2(R + r)$$

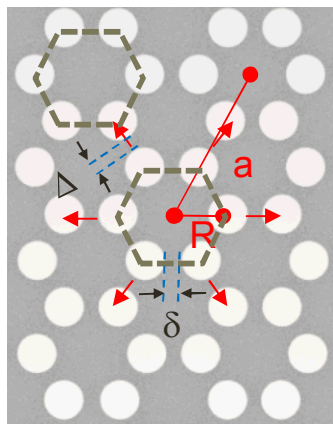
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Topologically Trivial PC



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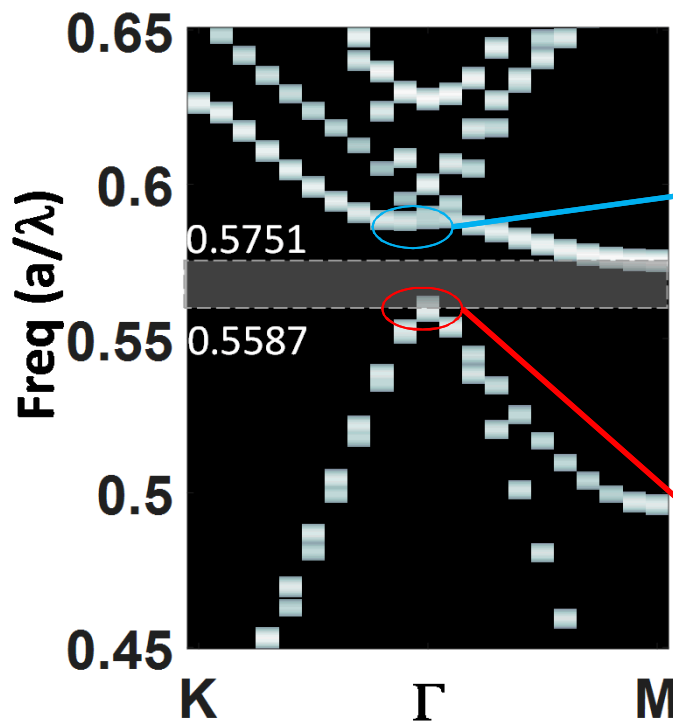
Expanded lattice $a/R = 2.9$



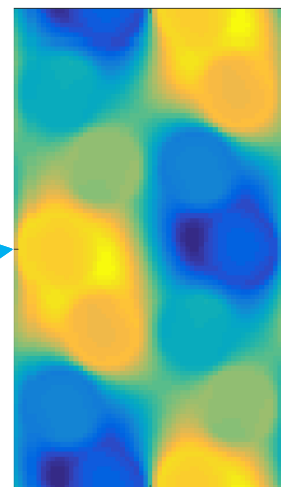
$$\Delta = a - 2(R + r)$$

$$\delta = R - 2r$$

Topologically Non-trivial PC



p_x

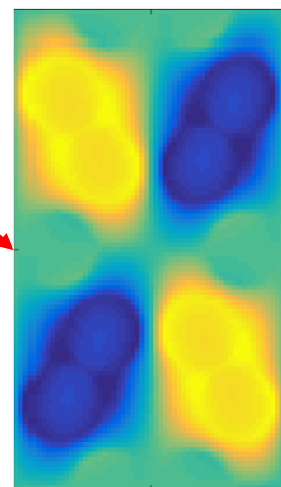


Re(Hz)

Max

Min

d_{xy}



Max

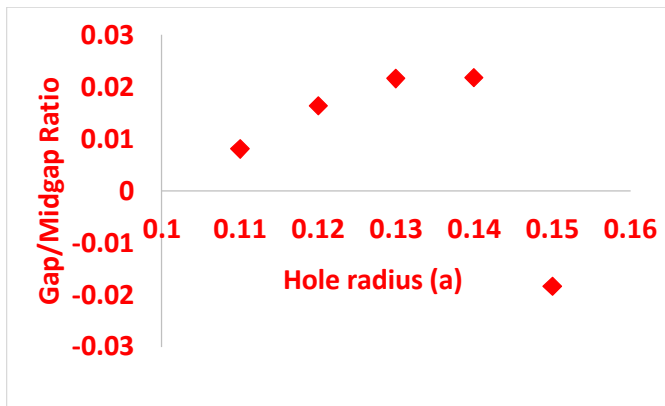
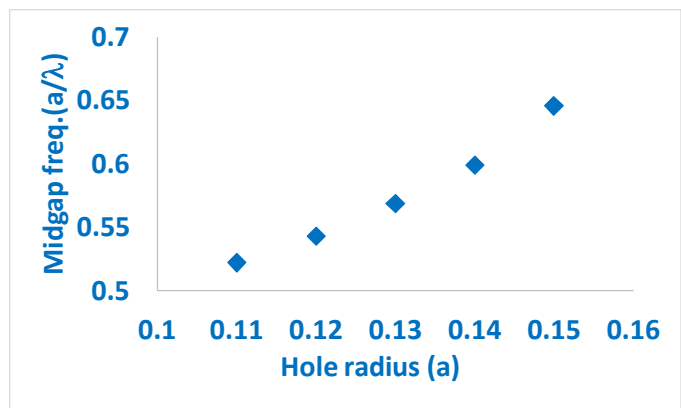
Min

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Hole radius 'r' dependence

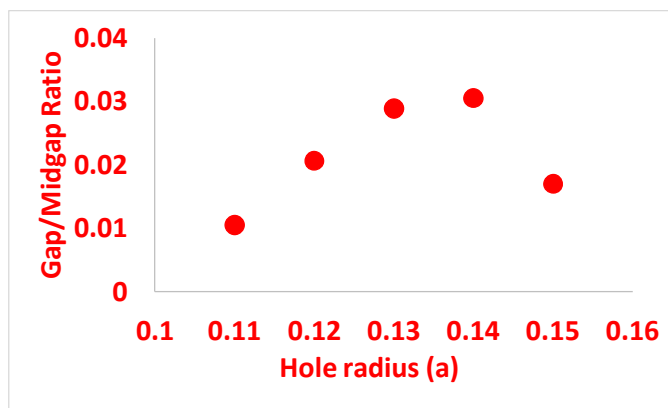
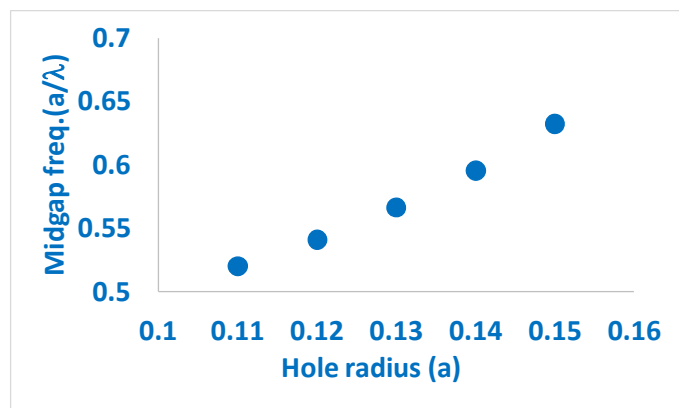
Compressed $a/R = 3.1$

Membrane thickness
'h' = $0.25a$



At $\lambda \sim 1500\text{nm}$
 $\Delta\lambda \sim 30\text{nm}$

Expanded $a/R = 2.9$



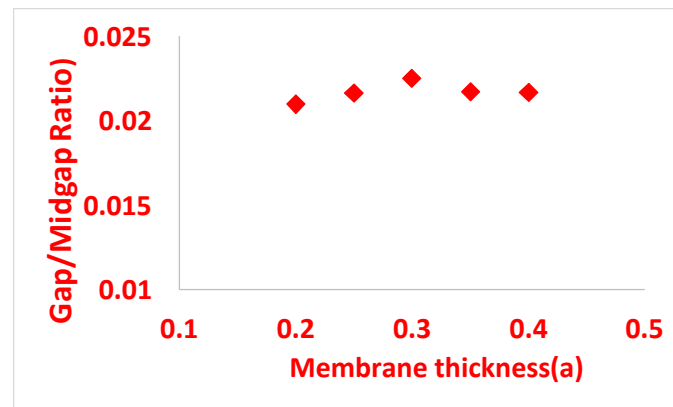
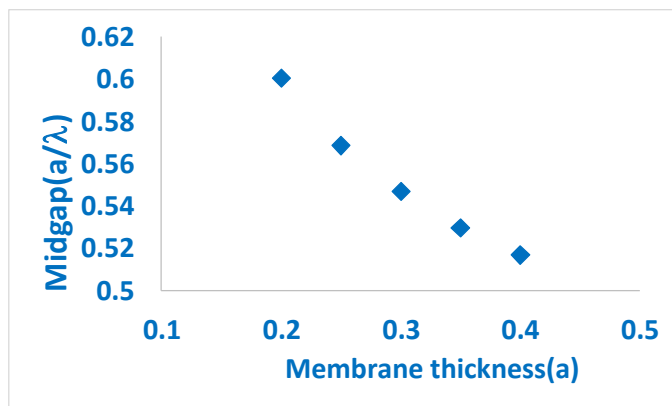
At $\lambda \sim 1500\text{nm}$
 $\Delta\lambda \sim 45\text{nm}$

Reasonable operational bandwidth possible at the telecom frequencies

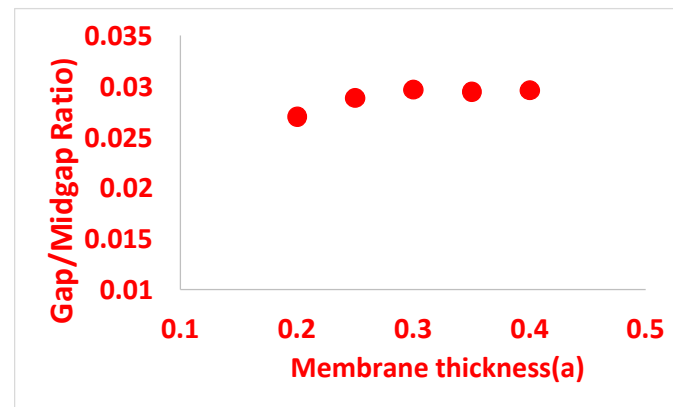
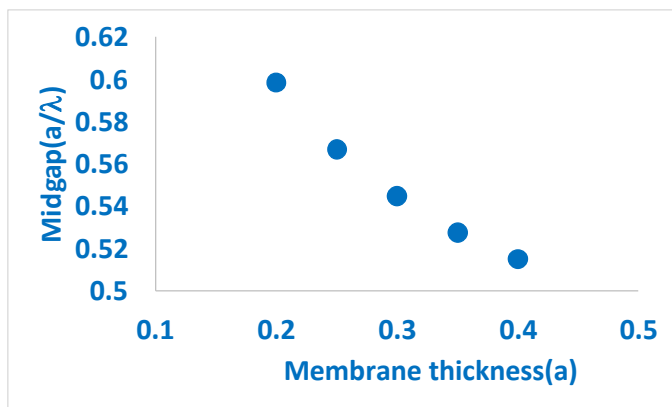
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Membrane thickness 'h' dependence

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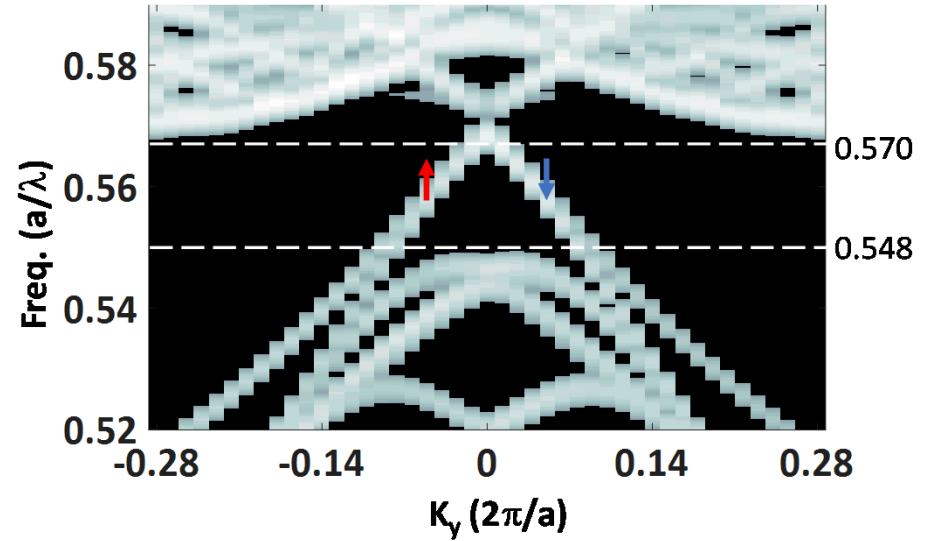
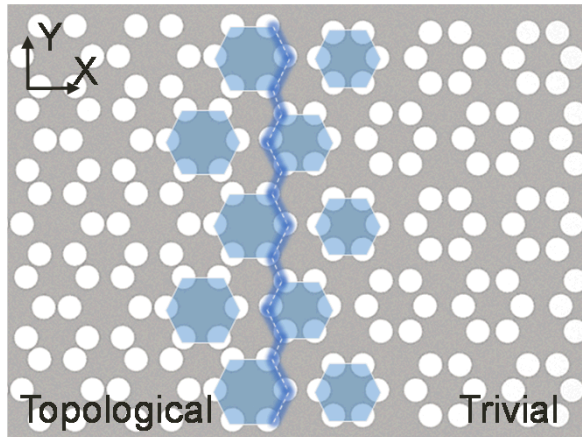
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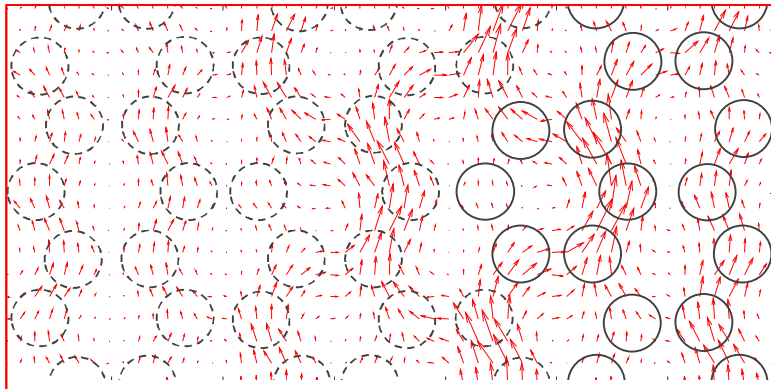
Bandgap relatively robust to nominal variation in membrane thickness

Unidirectional Edge State Propagation

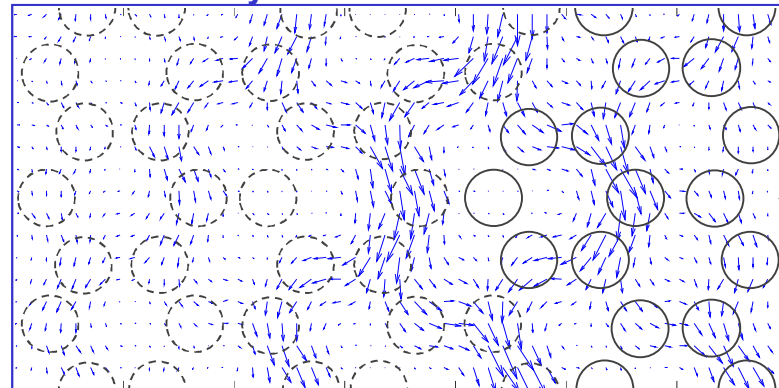
Zig-zag interface



$$k_y = -0.05(2\pi/a)$$

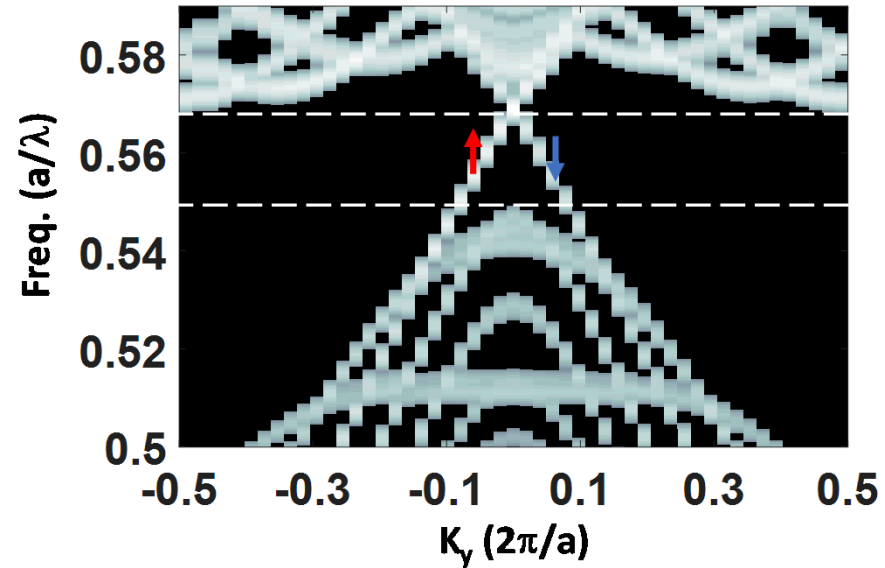
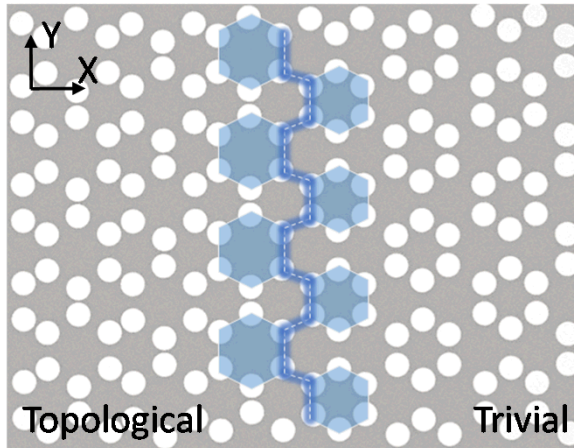


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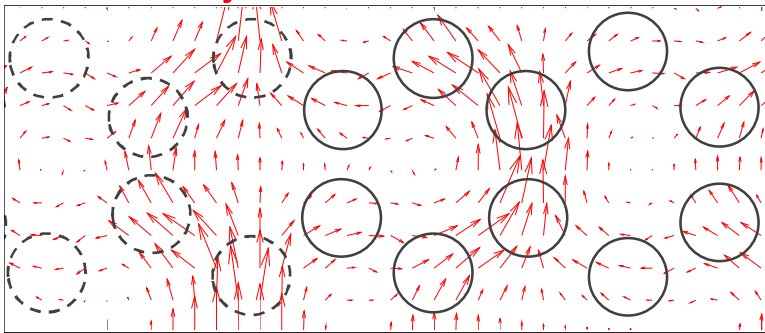


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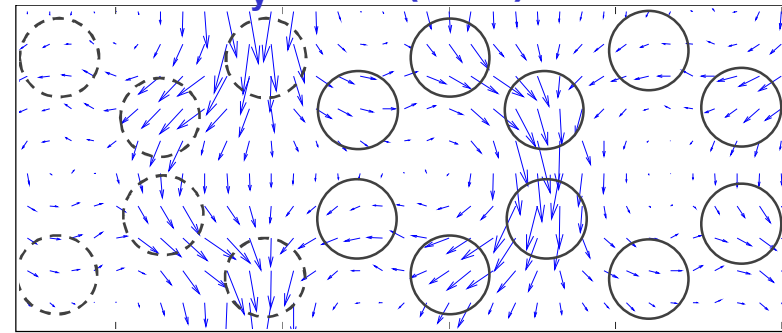
Armchair interface



$$k_y = -0.06(2\pi/a)$$

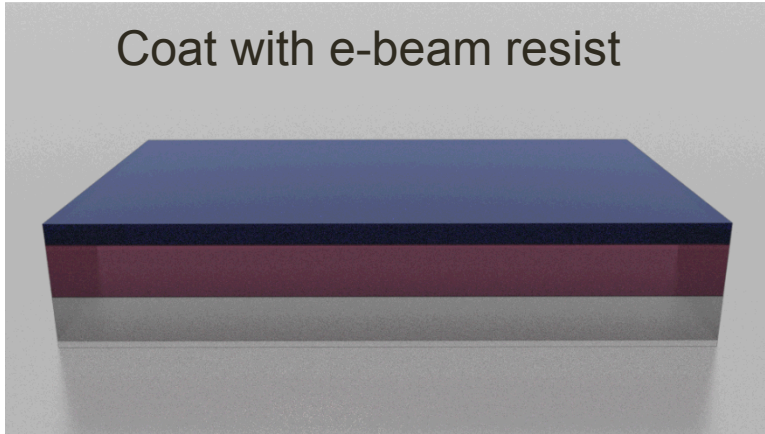


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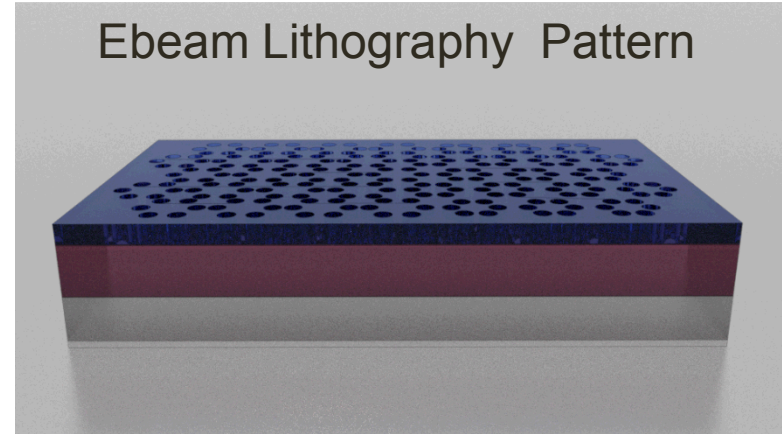


Fabrication on Silicon on Insulator (SOI) - Membrane

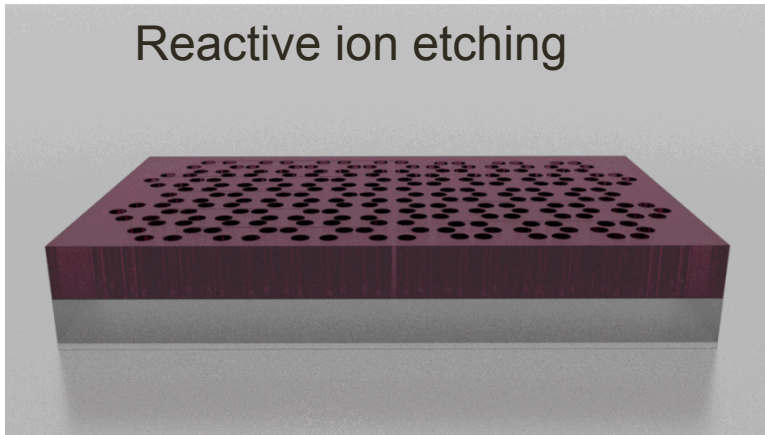
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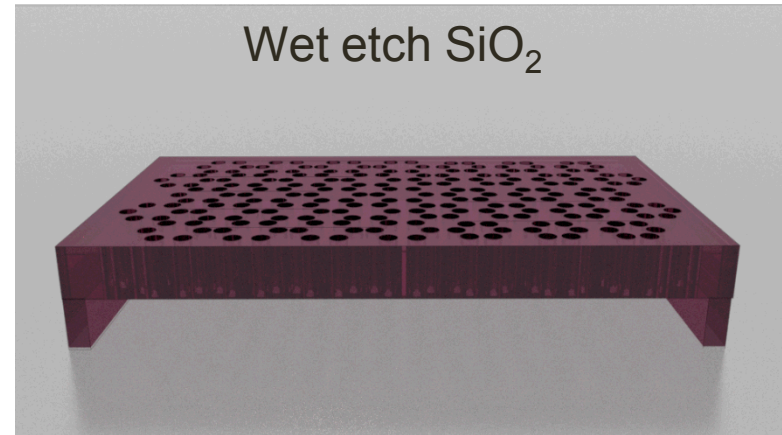
Ebeam Lithography Pattern



Reactive ion etching

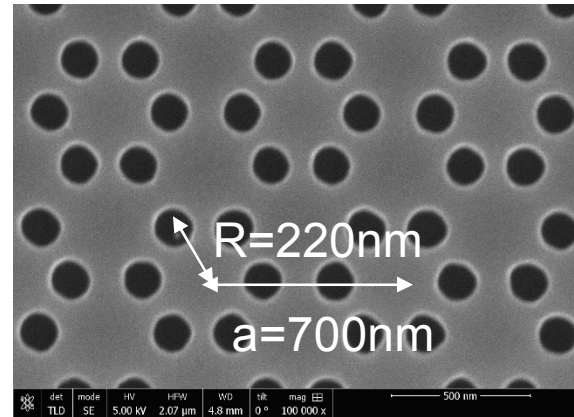
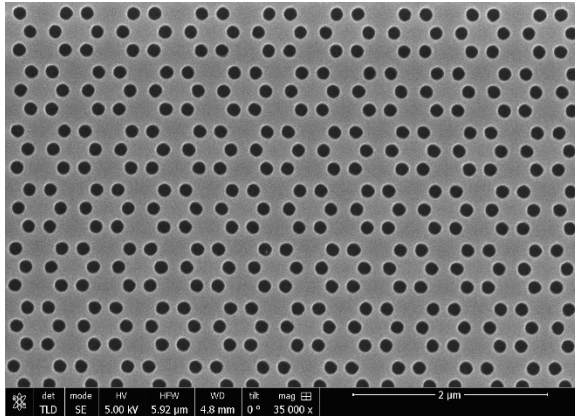


Wet etch SiO_2



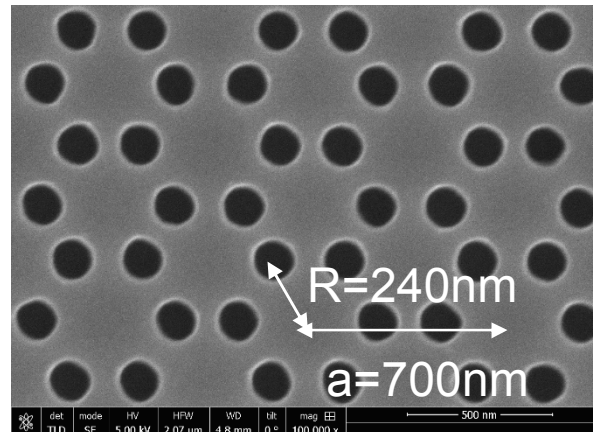
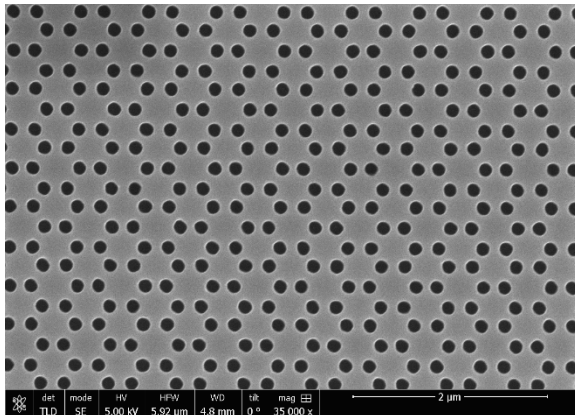
Fabrication on Silicon on Insulator (SOI) - Membrane

Trivial/Compressed Structure



$$a/R = 3.18$$

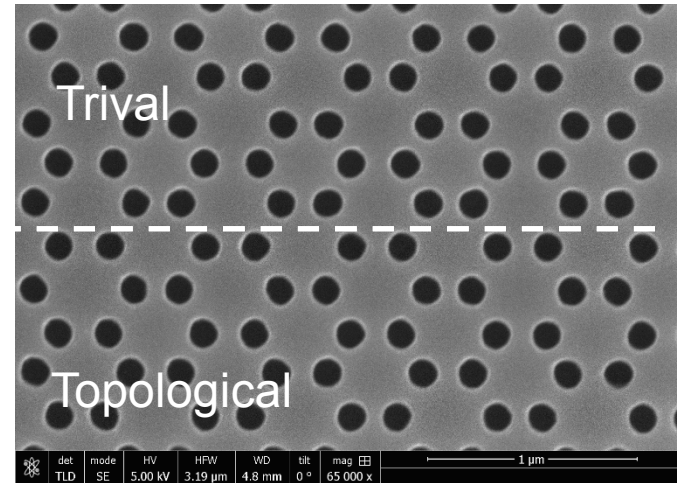
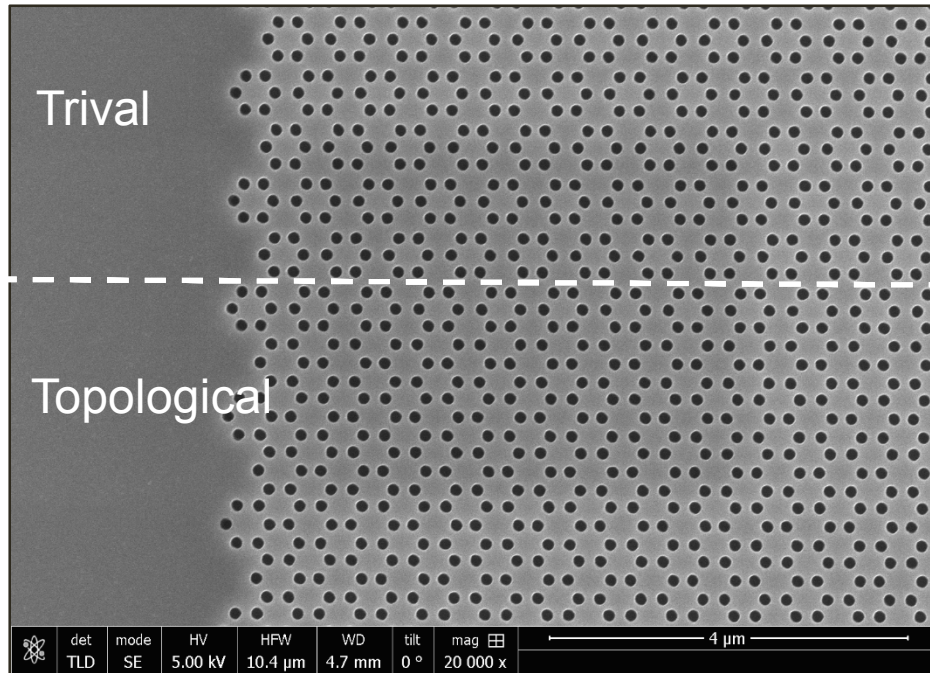
Topological/Expanded Structure



$$a/R = 2.9$$

Fabrication on Silicon on Insulator (SOI) - Membrane

Topological/Trivial Interface structure



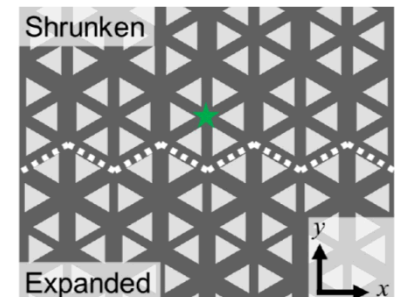
Alternate design ...

arXiv:1605.08822v1

Two-Dimensionally Confined Topological Edge States in Photonic Crystals

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Fabrication could be challenging ...

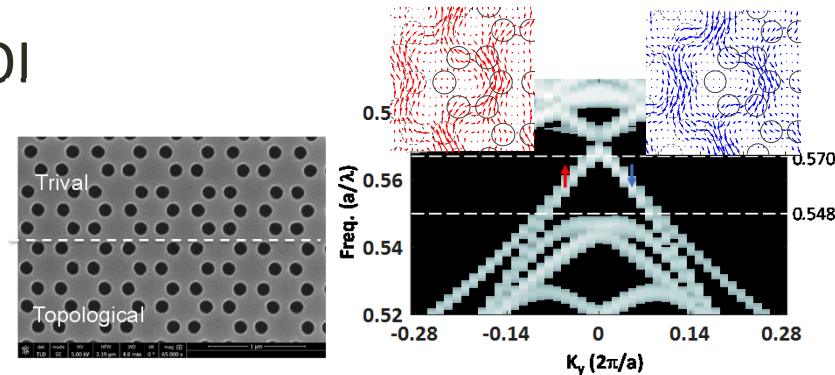


Summary and Future directions

- Design of hole array honeycomb Topological PC in high dielectric membrane
- Robust bandgap with hole radii and membrane height
- Appreciable bandgap and operational bandwidth around 1550nm
→ 30-45nm
- Unidirectional modes at topological/trivial PC interface
- Fabrication process development in SOI

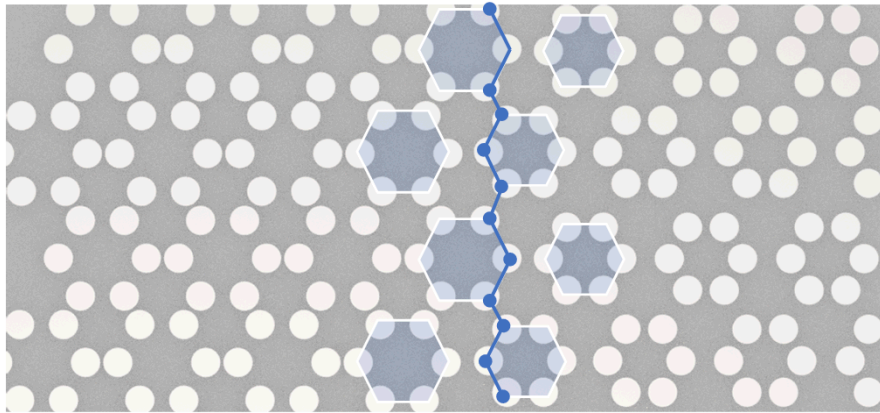
Next...

- Optimize design and fab – SOI
- Optical measurement to demonstrate Topological behavior

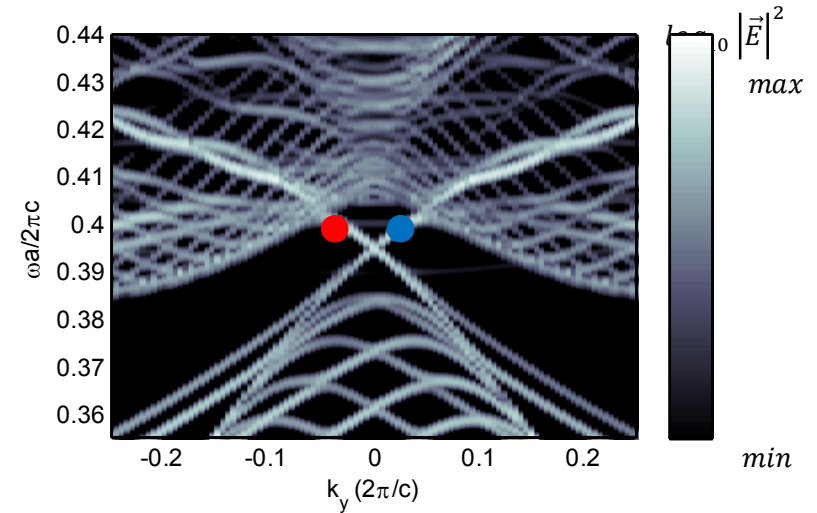


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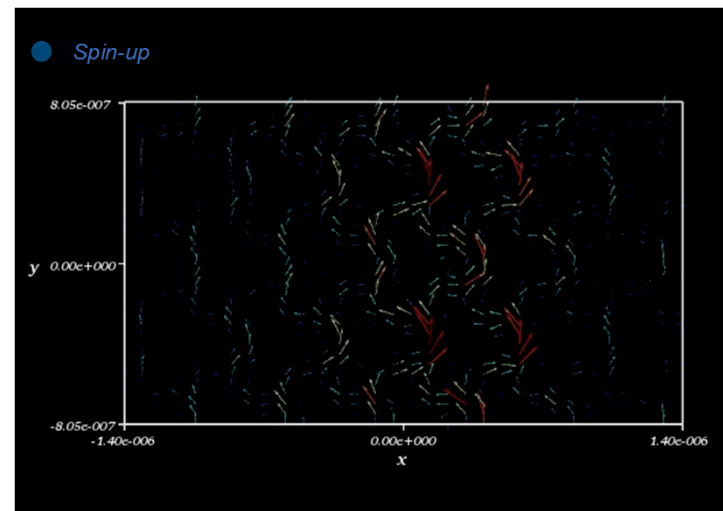
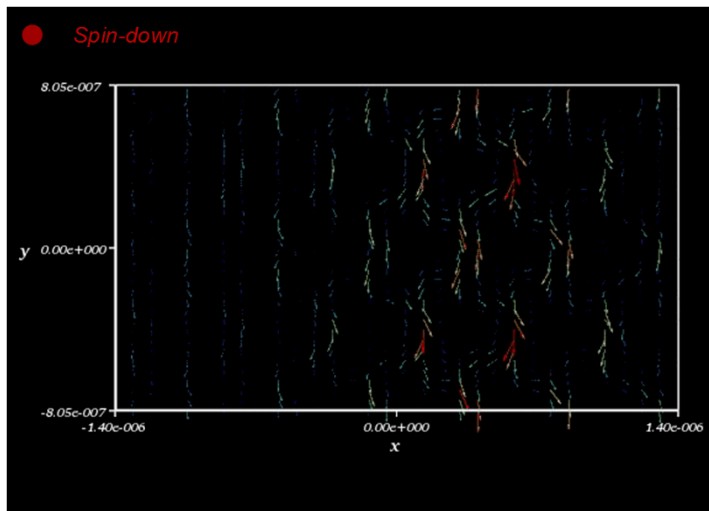
Band structure for Topological/Trivial Zig-zag Interface



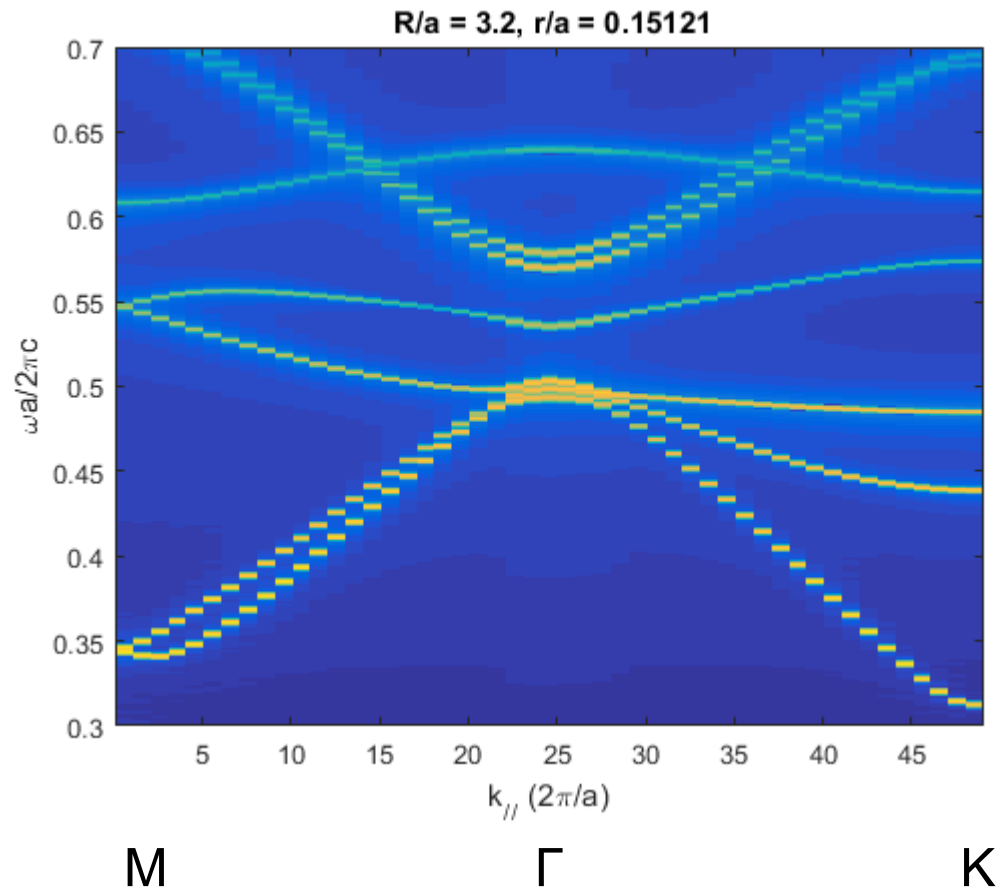
$(r/a \sim 0.12)$



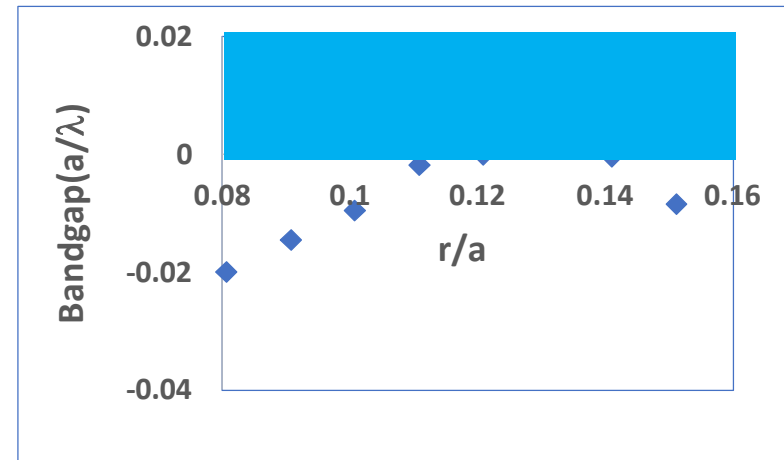
- Crossing unidirectional edge states are observed



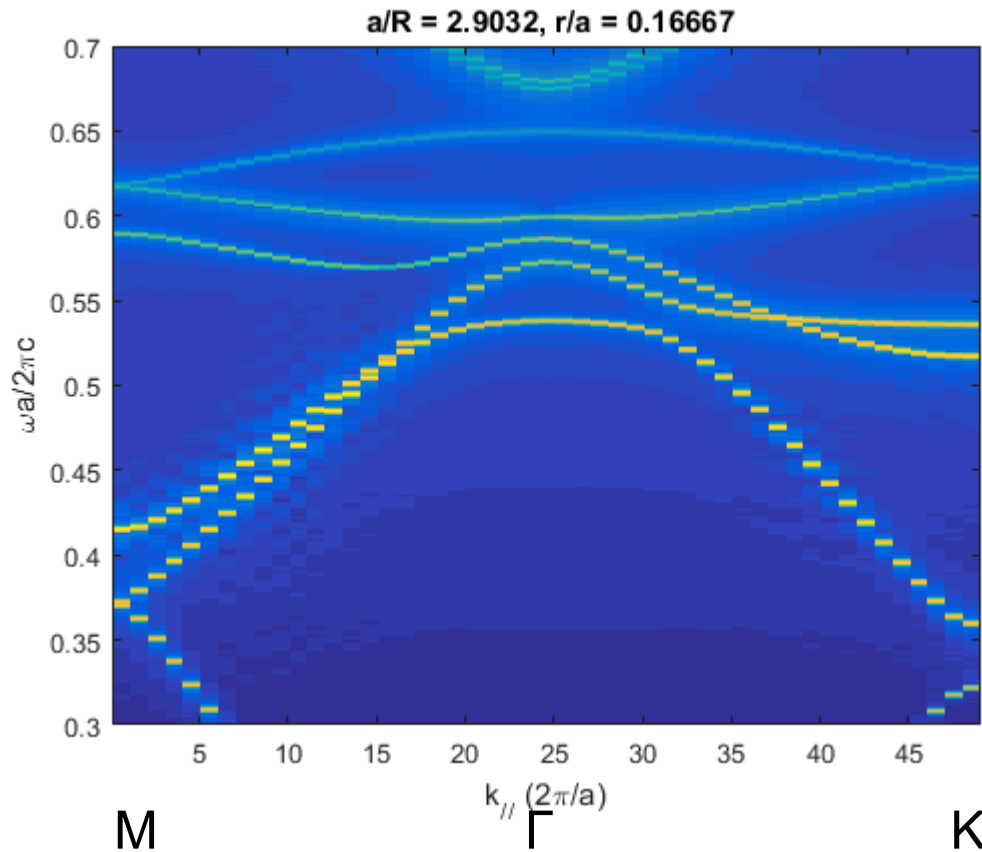
Band structure for Trivial Lattice ($a/R = 3.2$) varying r/a



~ 0.0025 gap

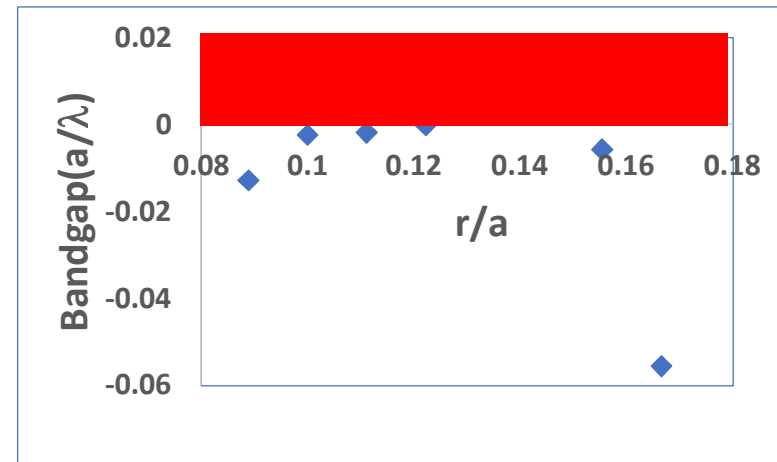


Band structure for Topological Lattice ($a/R < 2.9$) varying r/a

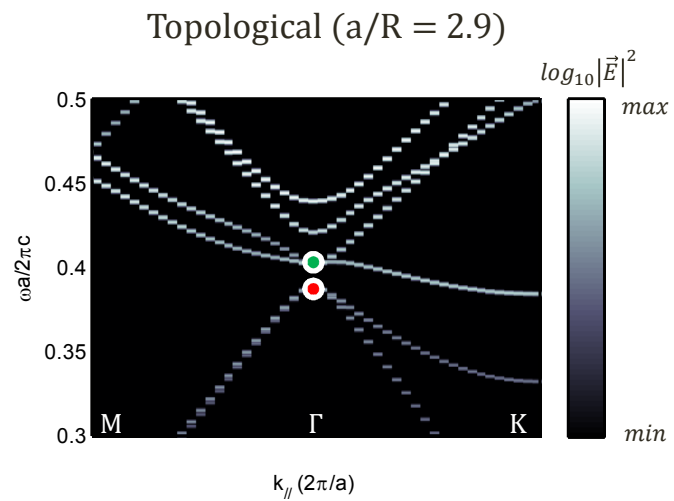
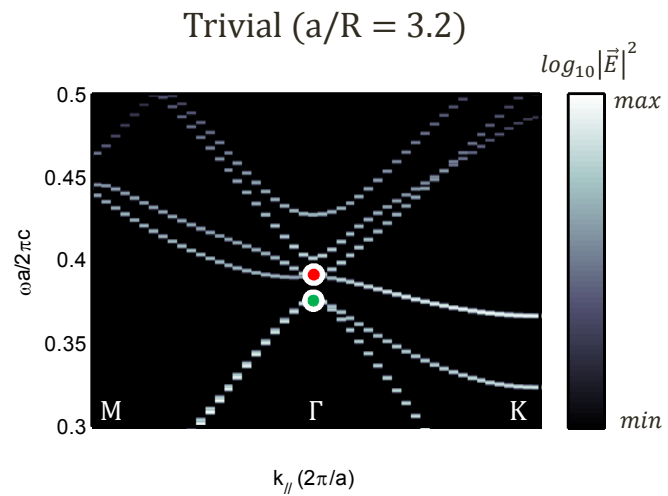


~ 0.007 gap at ~ 0.46

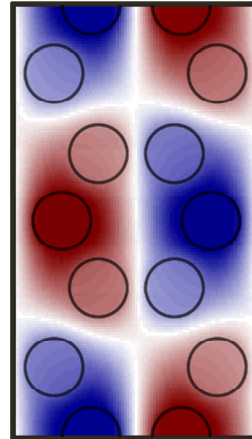
~ 23 nm @ $\lambda = 1550$ nm



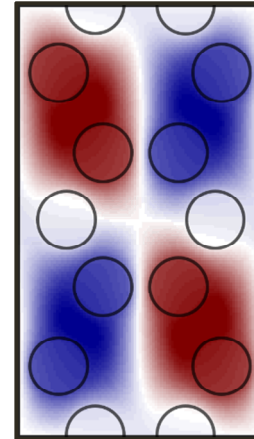
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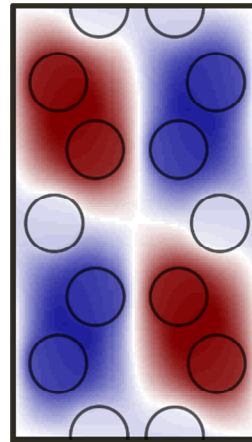
p_x



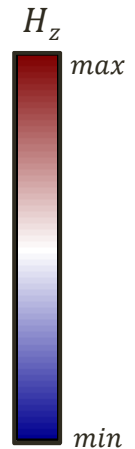
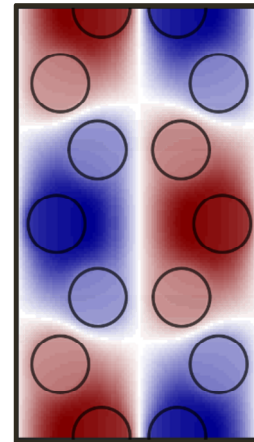
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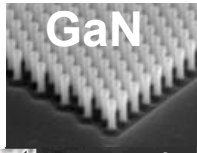
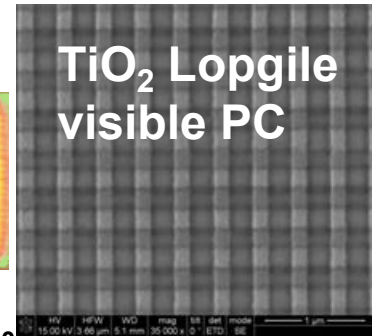
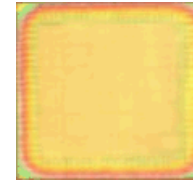
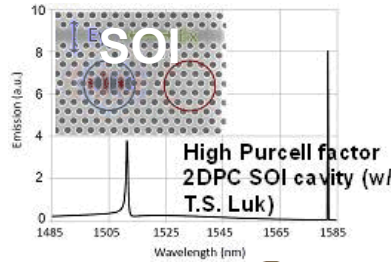
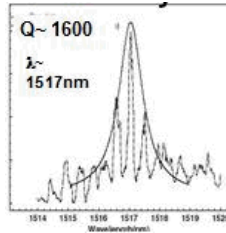
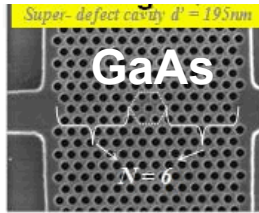


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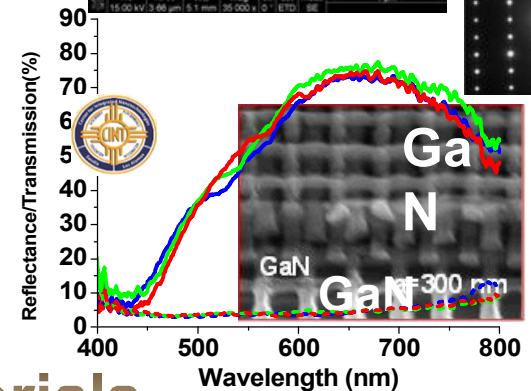
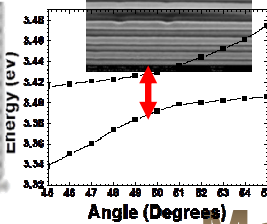
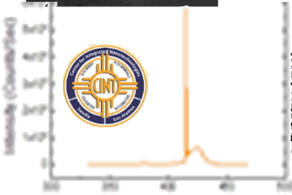
Nanophotonics Activity

Integrated Photonics, Nanoscale lasing, Strong coupling, Full 3D emission control, Thermal control, Solid State lighting, Energy conversion



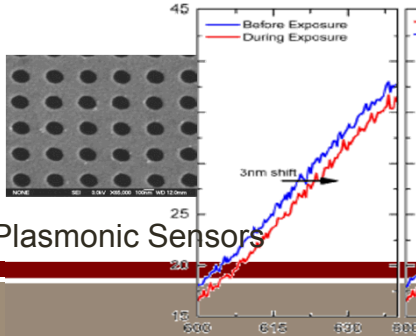
Strong coupling
(w/A. Fischer)

1,2D PC
3D PC
Photonic Nanostructures

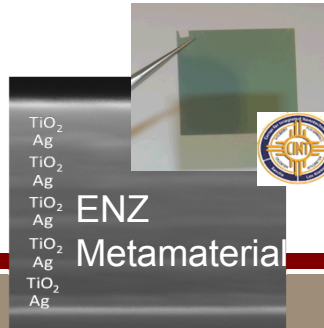


GaN 2DPC laser w/ G. Wang, I. Brener

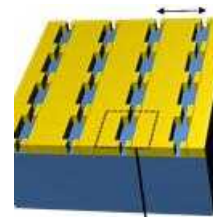
Ultrasubwavelength light control,
Detection, Sensing, Nanocircuitry



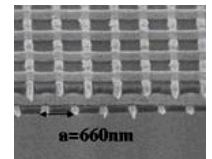
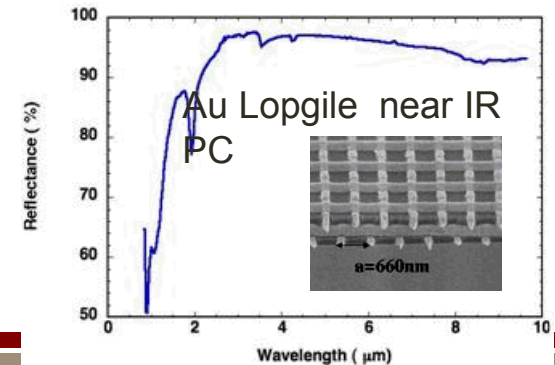
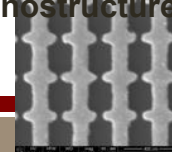
Plasmonic Sensors



ENZ
Metamaterial



Double groove
Metal
Nanostructure

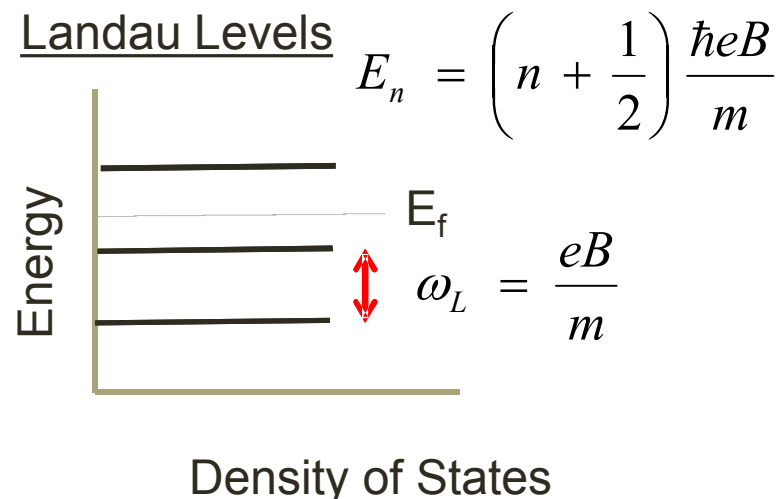
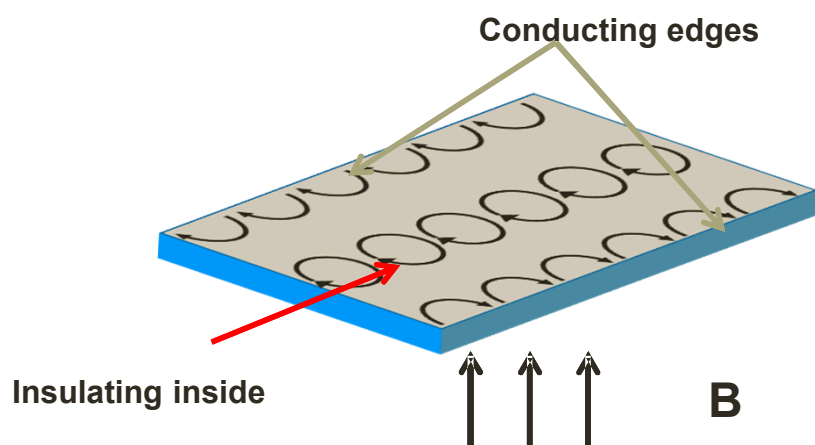


Motivation: Topological Systems in Electronics

Electronic Topological Insulators : Systems exhibiting Quantum Hall Effect → 2DEGs

Time reversal symmetry is broken by applying magnetic (B) field

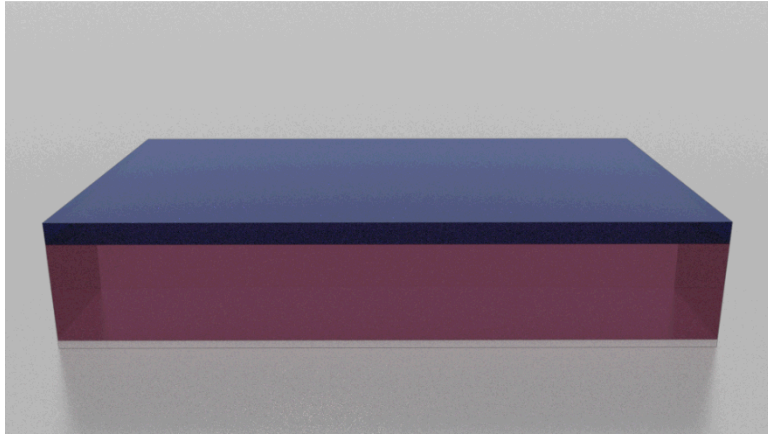
- Discrete highly degenerate Landau Levels
 - Conducting edge states within insulator gap
 - Topologically protected “one way” electronic transport
- *Needs high B fields*
 - *Low temperatures*



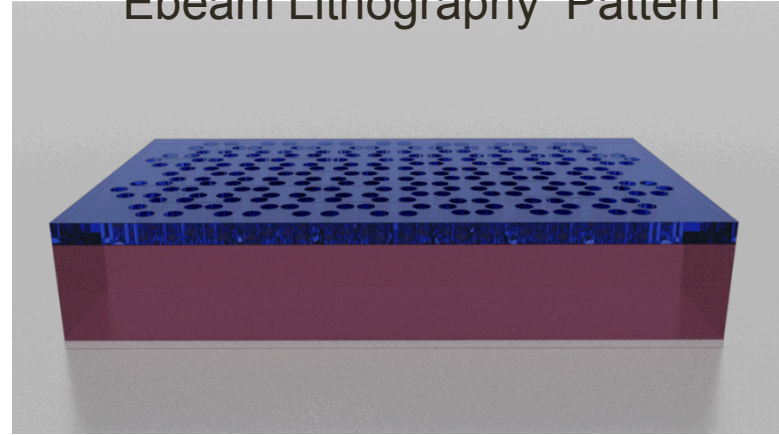
It turns out appropriately designed photonic structures can exhibit similar topological properties too!

F. D. M. Haldane and S. Raghu, Phys. Rev. Lett.
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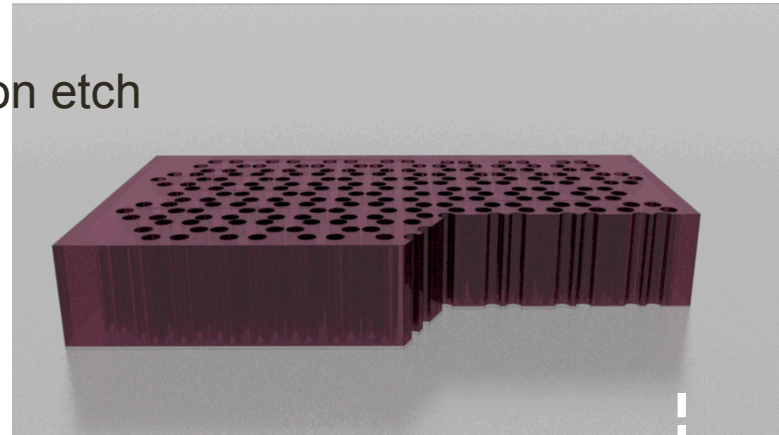
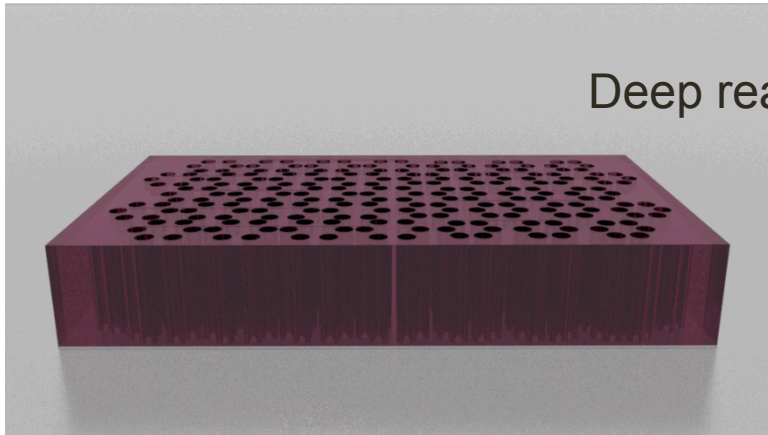
Fabrication on Thick Si using deep etch



Ebeam Lithography Pattern



Deep reactive ion etch

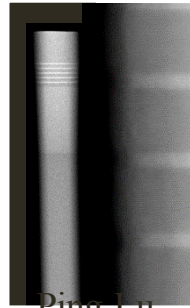
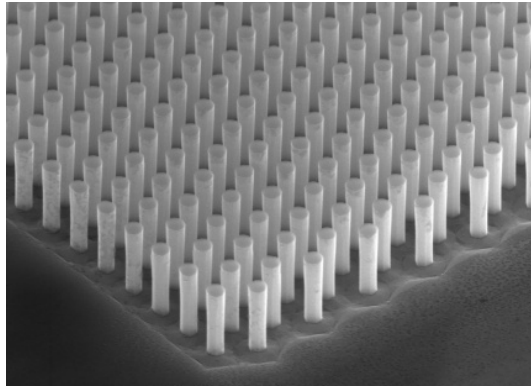


SEM image

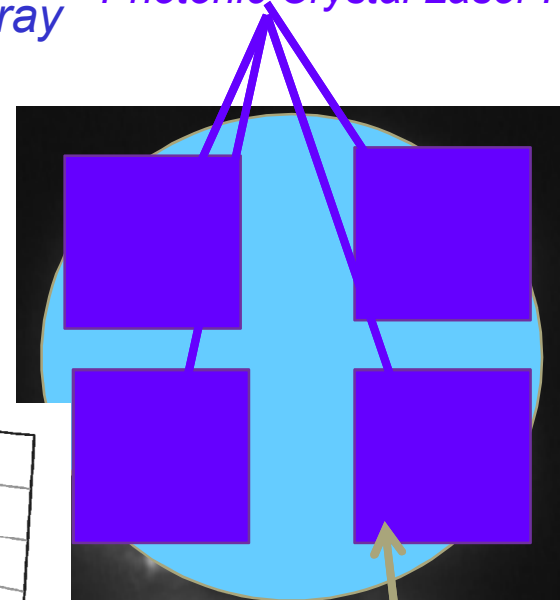
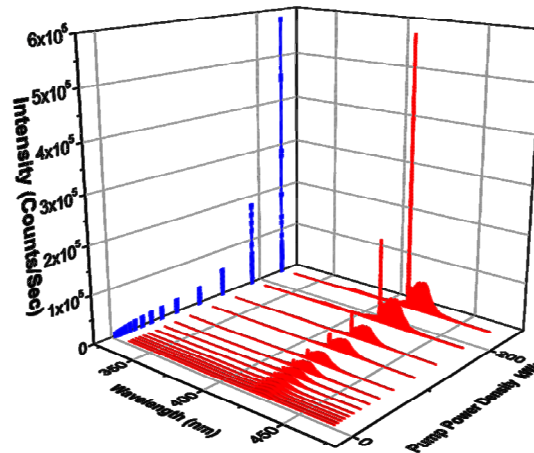
Topological structure in active material systems

PhC nanrod array have shown excellent light emission behavior

Demonstration of Lasing from PhC Array *Photonic Crystal Laser Pixels*



Pinned



Pump Spot

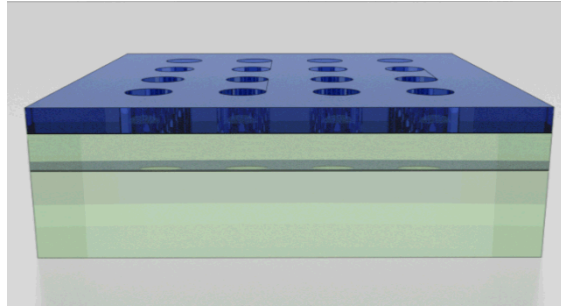
Fabricated by using a top down approach from a planar GaN with InGaN Multiple quantum wells

J. B. Wright et,al., Sci. Rep. **3**, 2982 (2013).

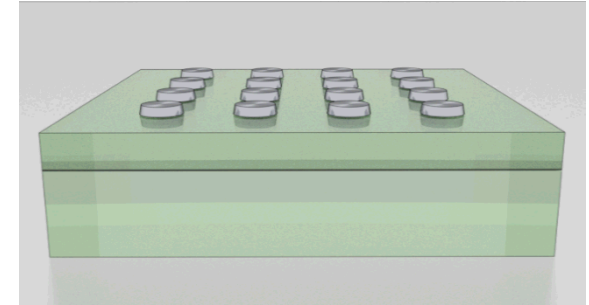
Light sources with interesting angular momentum properties ?

Fabrication procedure in GaN

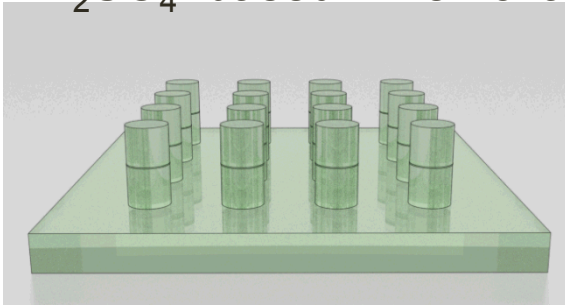
EBL pattern in
PMMA



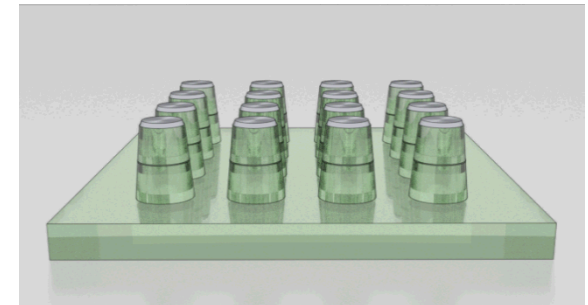
Ni evaporation and lift-off



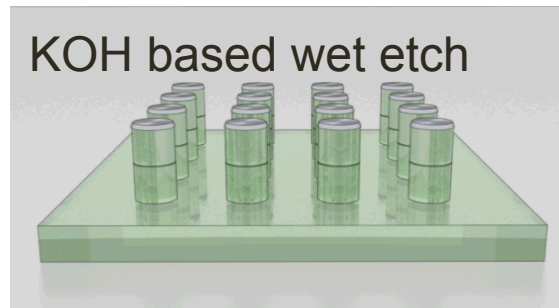
H_2SO_4 -based Ni removal



Cl_2 based dry etch



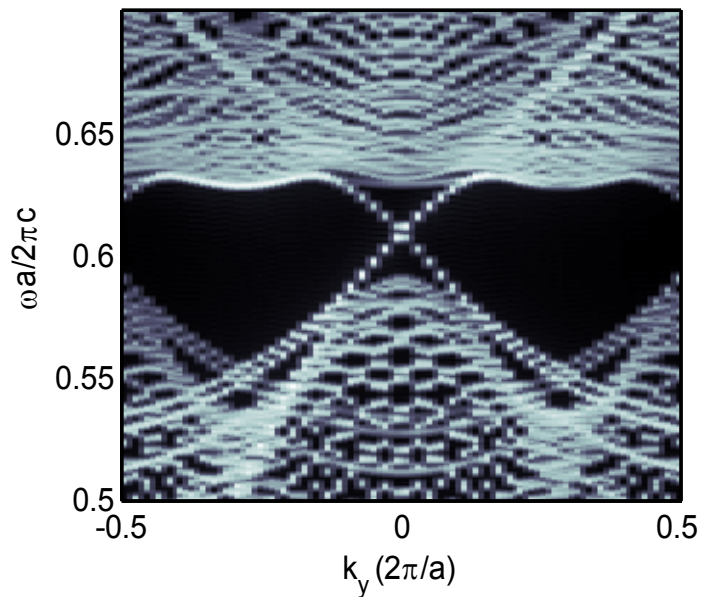
KOH based wet etch



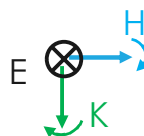
Topological edge state in honeycomb lattice structure in III-Nitride

Modeling

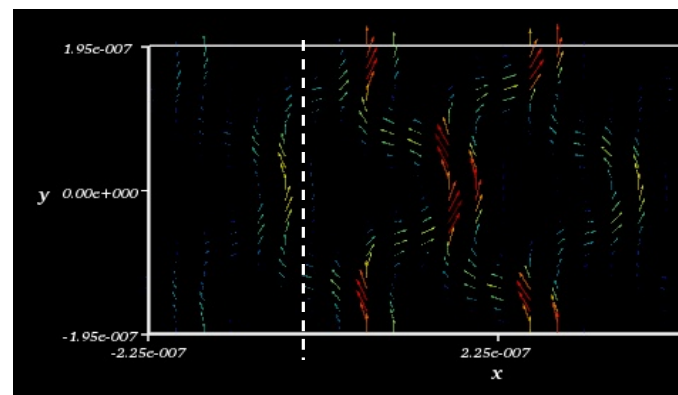
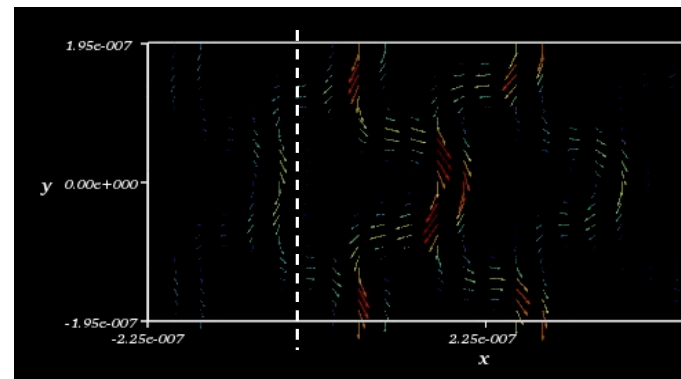
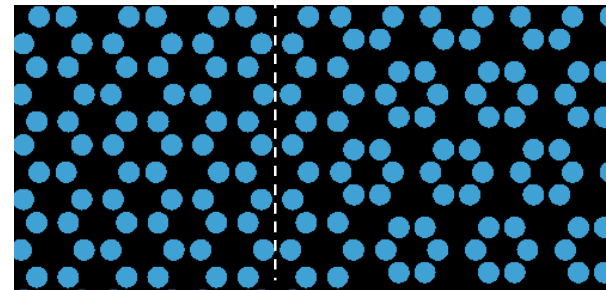
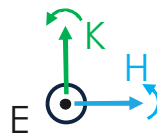
Band Structure



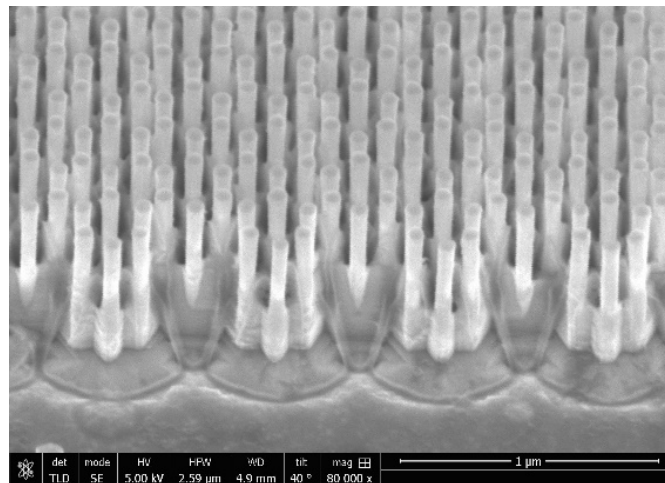
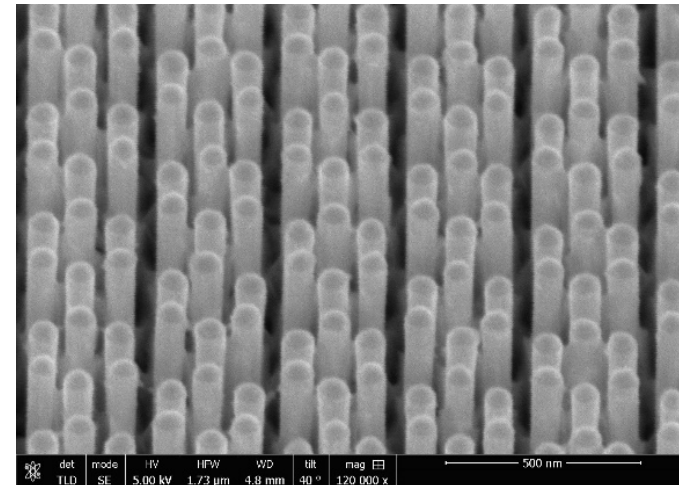
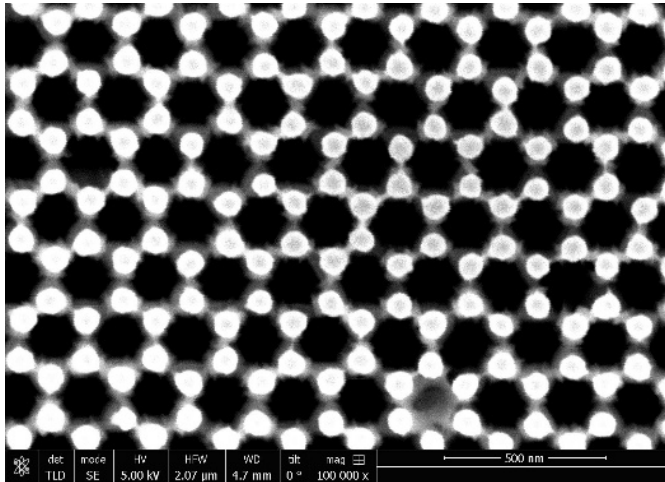
Spin-down state
 $a/\lambda = 0.618$



Spin-up state
 $a/\lambda = 0.60$



Topological/Trivial lattice interface structure in III-Nitride

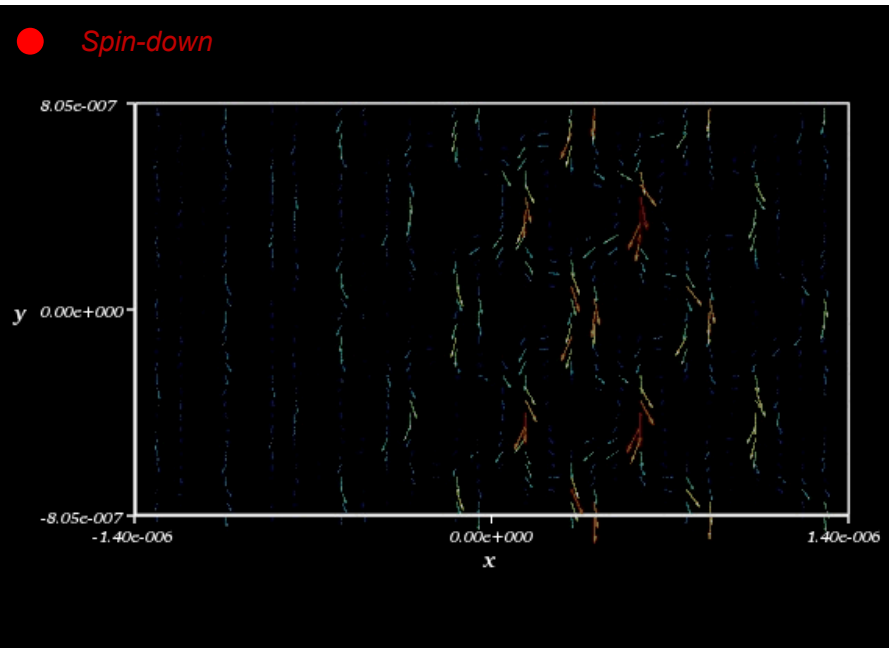


Ongoing ...

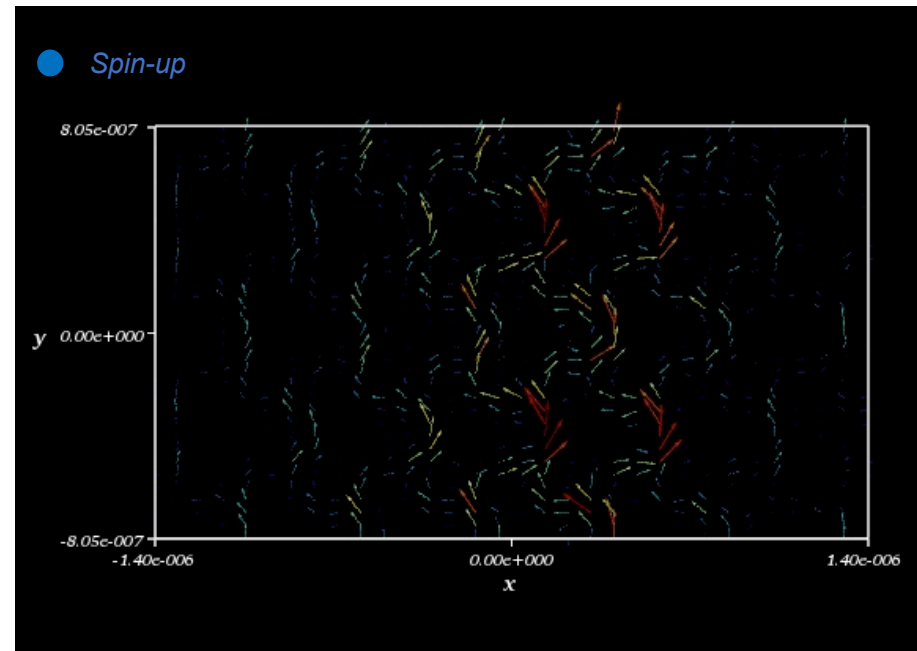
- ☐ Main challenges
 - ☐ Deeper etching
 - ☐ Source polarization

Power/Vector Plots of Edge States

● Spin-down



● Spin-up



Topological Photonics Spin Hall in Dielectric PC

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Scheme for Achieving a Topological Photonic Crystal by Using Dielectric Material

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Modified honeycomb lattice of hexagonal cylindrical dielectric rods

