

# Optical neural networks and integrated photonics: non-linear microresonators

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# Outline

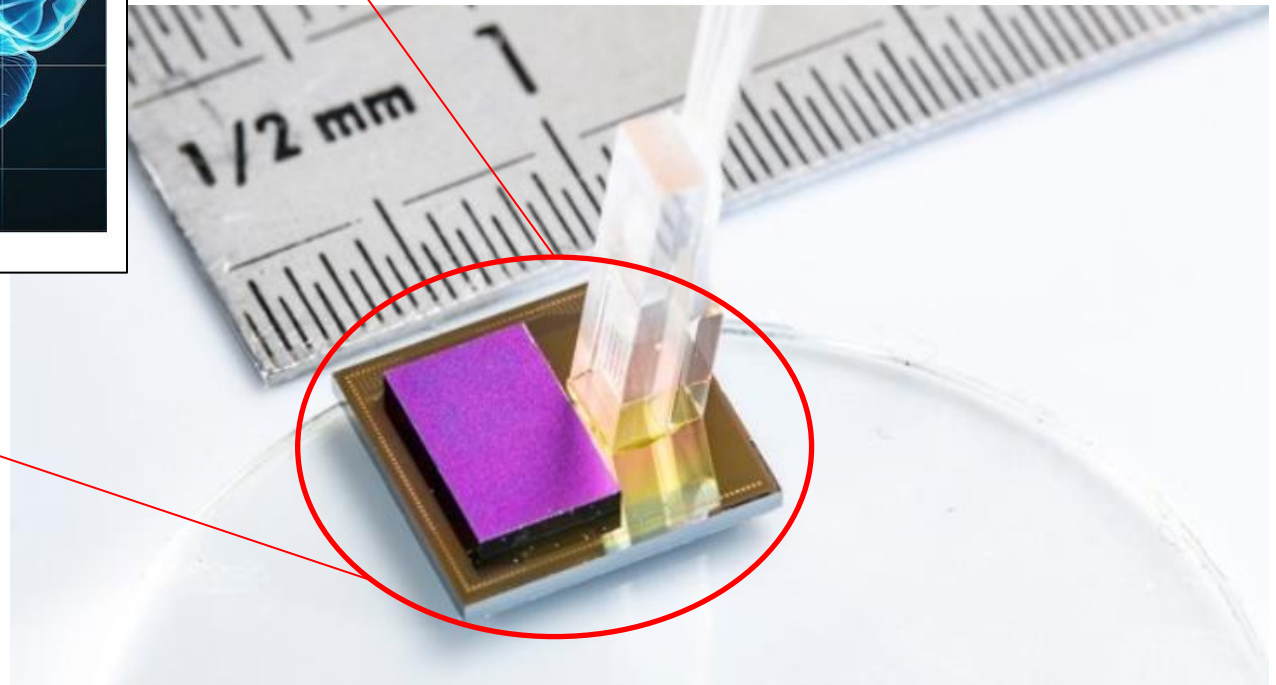
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- Part 1: Introduction
  - Artificial Neural Network
  - Integrated photonics
  - Overview on neuromorphic photonics
  - Focus on non-linear microresonator dynamics
- Part 2: recent experimental results
  - Optical reservoir network based on ring
  - Optical complex perceptron
  - All optical signal recovery (ALPI project)

# Artificial neural network



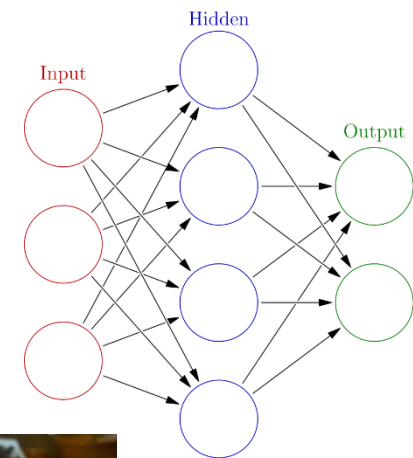
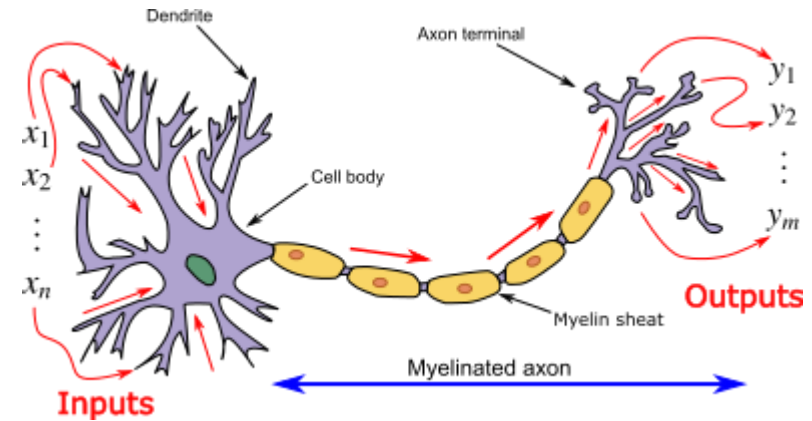
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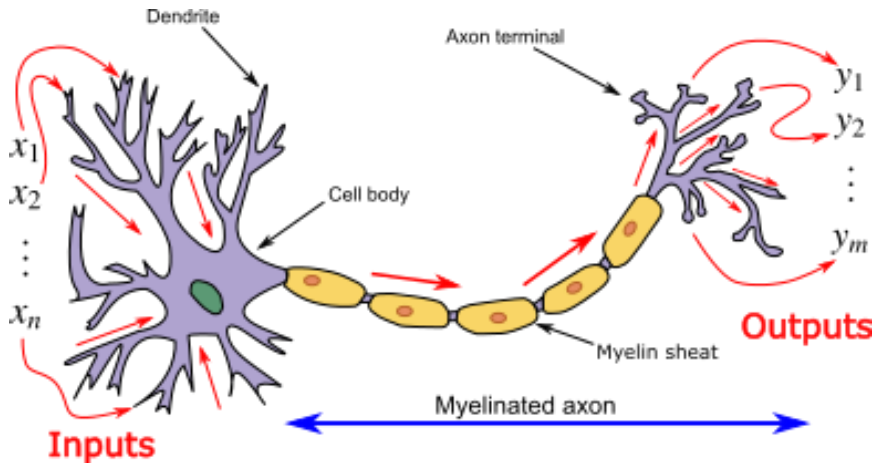
[IRIS project](#): grid of 1000 resonators equipped with fully integrated CMOS electronics (flip chip)

# Artificial neural network

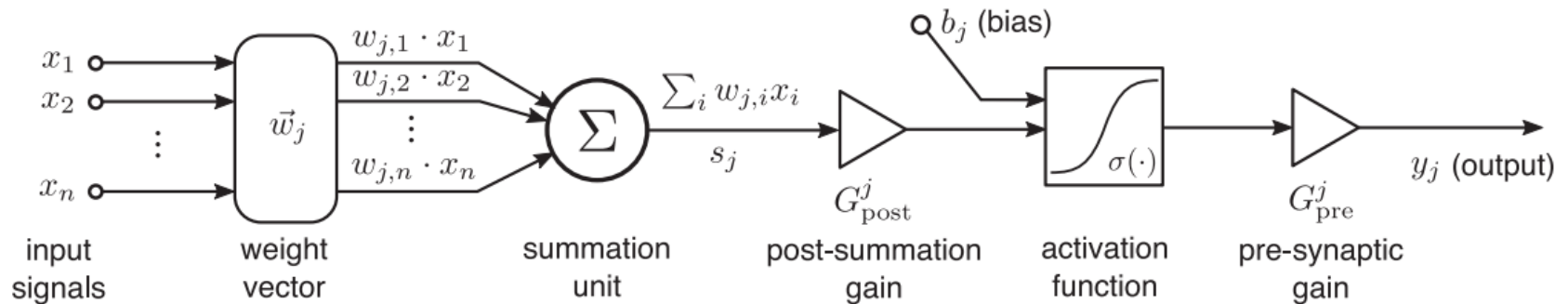
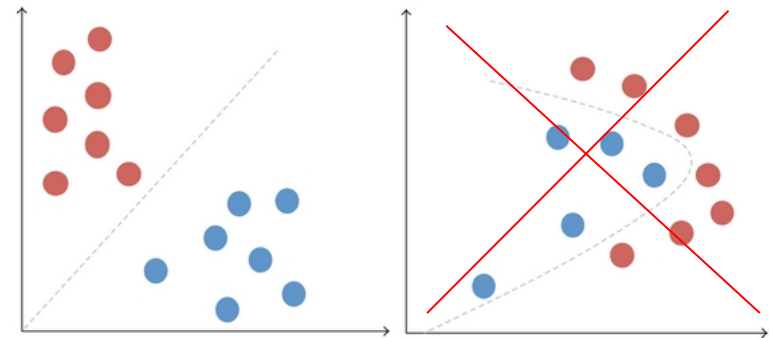
- Neurons
  - activation function
- Connections and weights
  - what is trained
- Propagation function
  - weighed sum
- Organization
  - Network topology
- Learning
  - Network adaptation to a specific task
  - Neural networks learn by processing examples



# ANN: Perceptron



Linear classifier

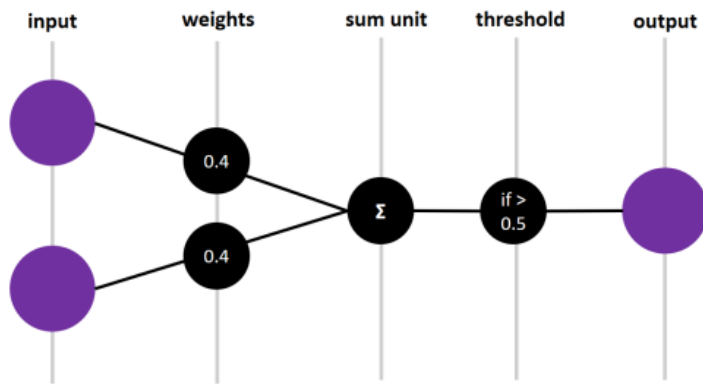


$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x} + b > 0, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

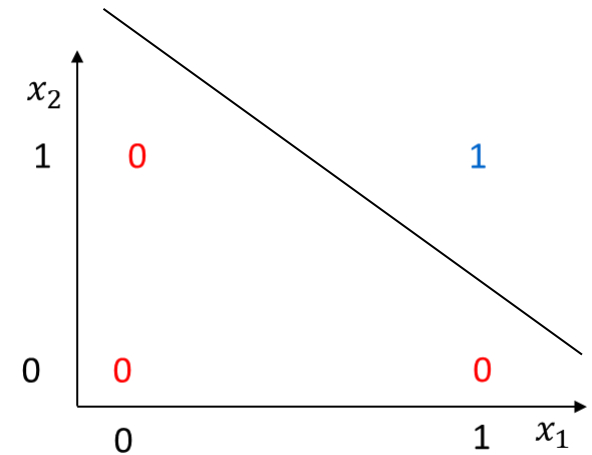
De Lima, Thomas Ferreira, et al. "Machine learning with neuromorphic photonics." *Journal of Lightwave Technology* 37.5 (2019): 1515-1534.

# ANN: Perceptron

Linear binary problem: AND gate

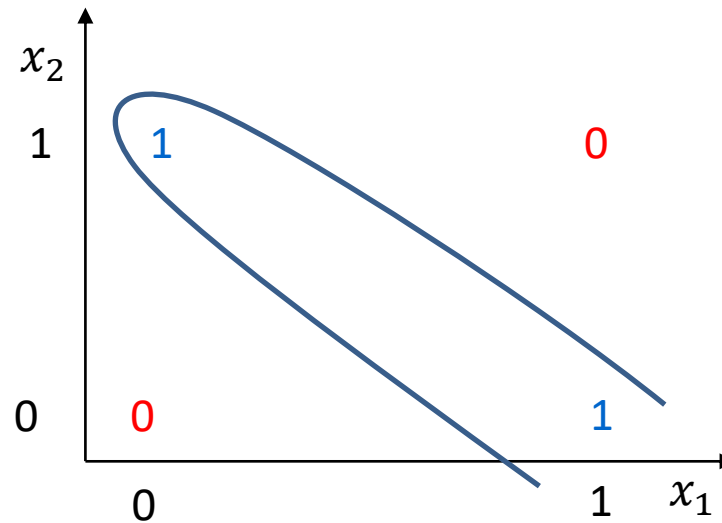


$x_1$	$x_2$	Out
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1



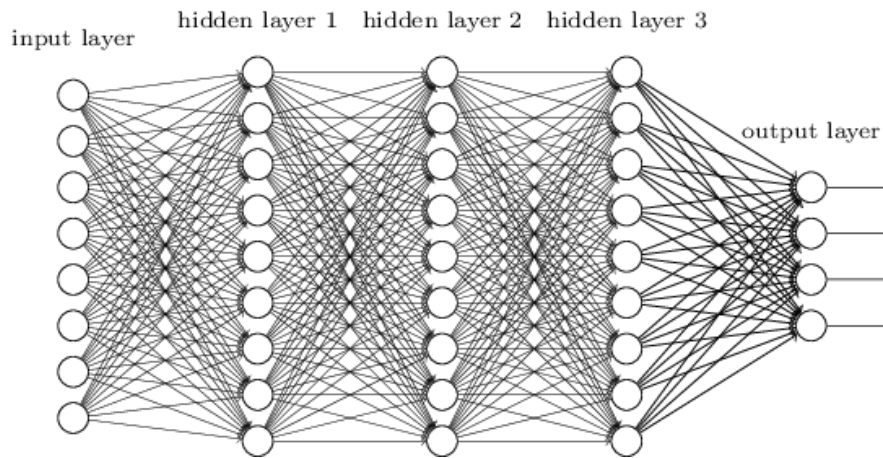
Non-linear binary problem: XOR gate

$x_1$	$x_2$	Out
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<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
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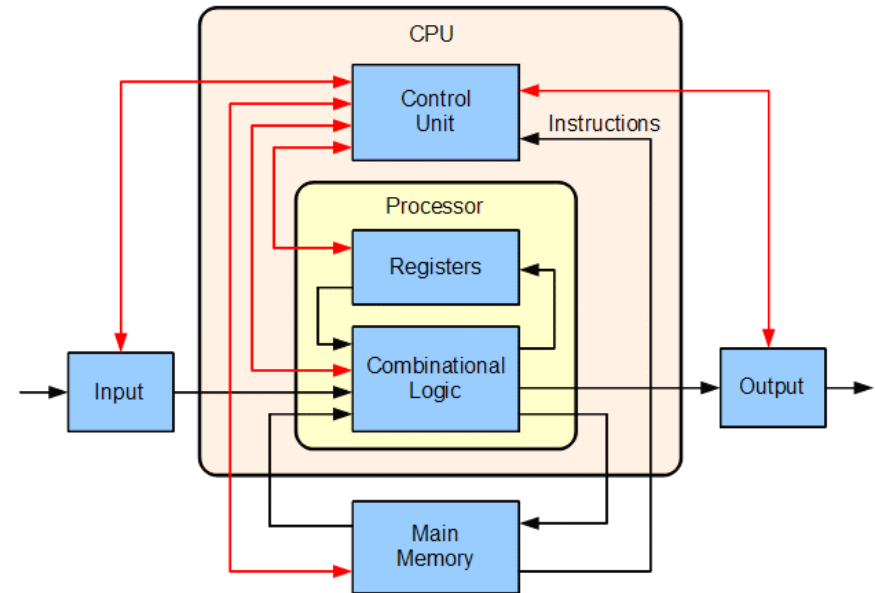


# Artificial neural network

## Artificial Neural Network

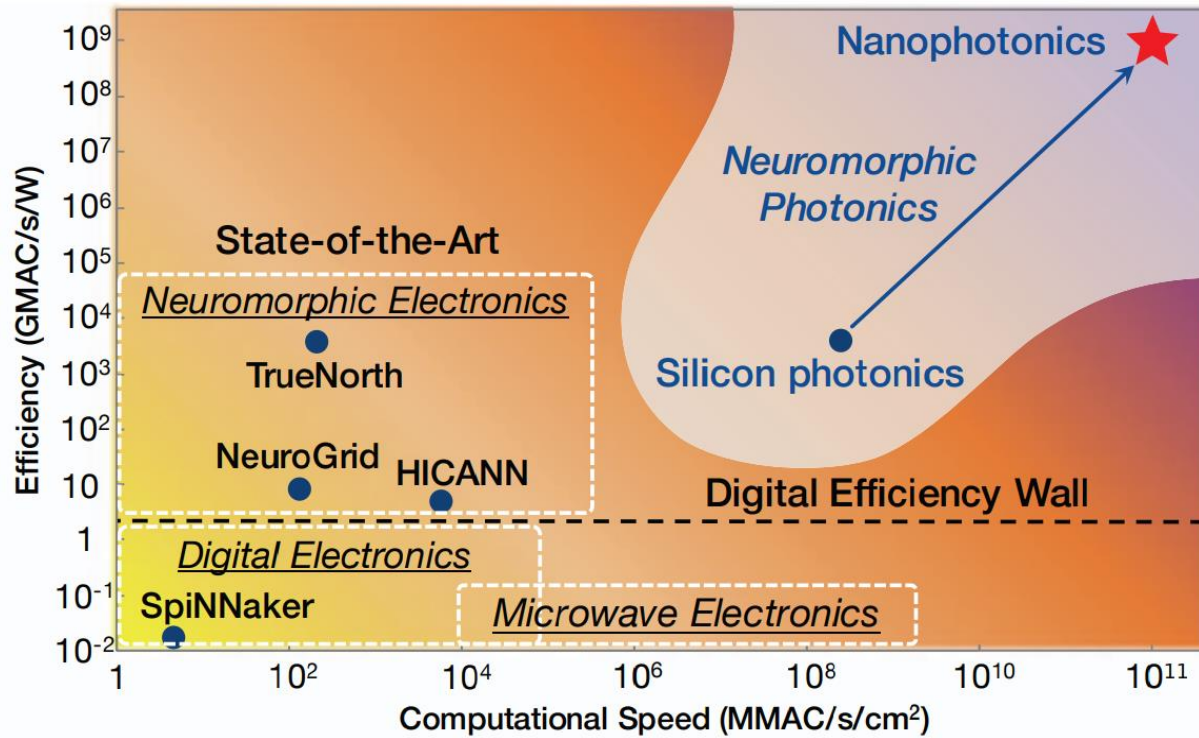


## Von Neumann architecture

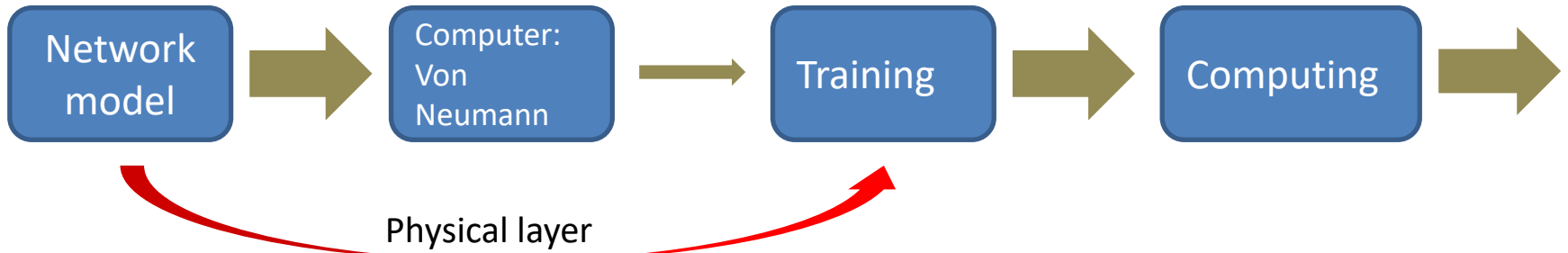




# Neuromorphic photonics



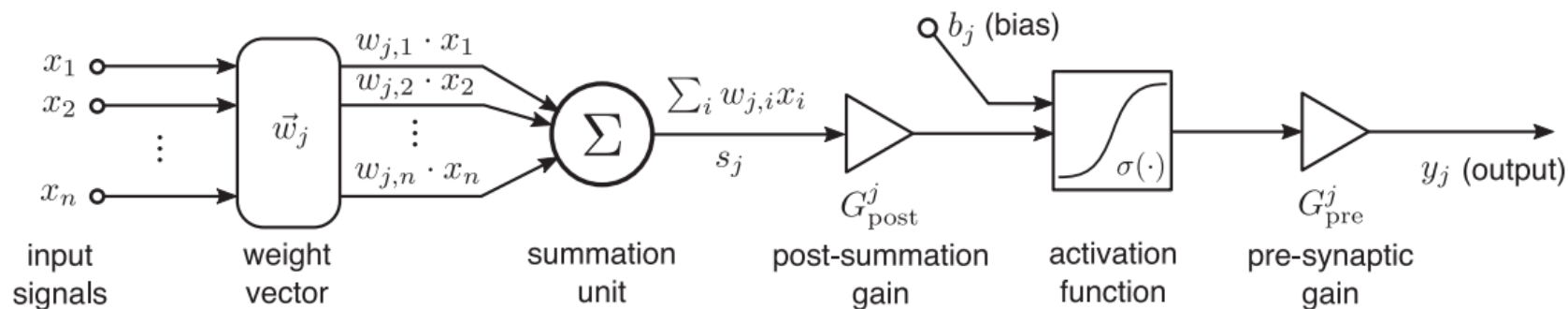
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# Neuromorphic photonics

Adapt the paradigm developed on software-based ANN to the law of optics



(Fading) Memory

Non-linearity

Inputs mixing/summing

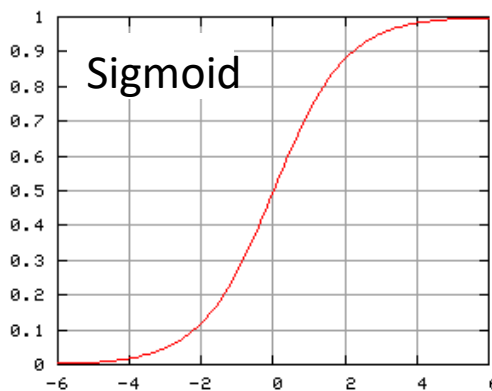
- Delay lines
- Spirals
- Group delay

Storing 10 bit @10 Gbps

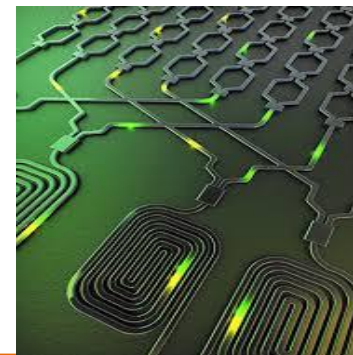
1 ns

WG 7.5 cm

Loss 18.5 dB



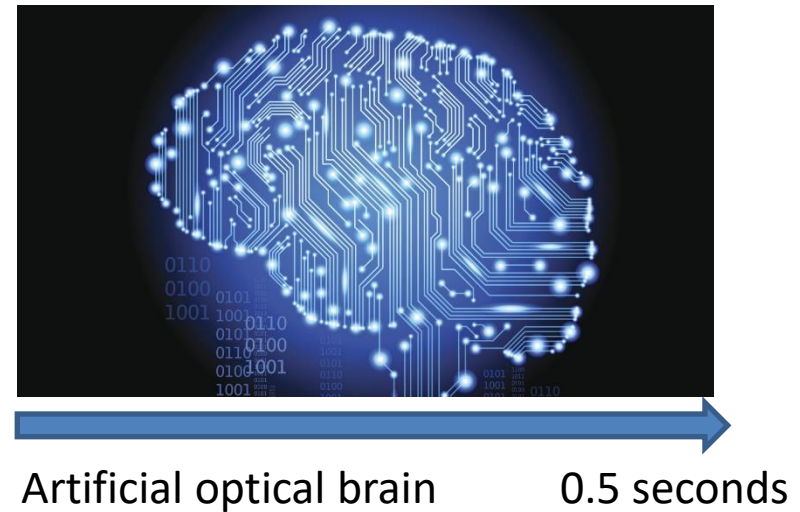
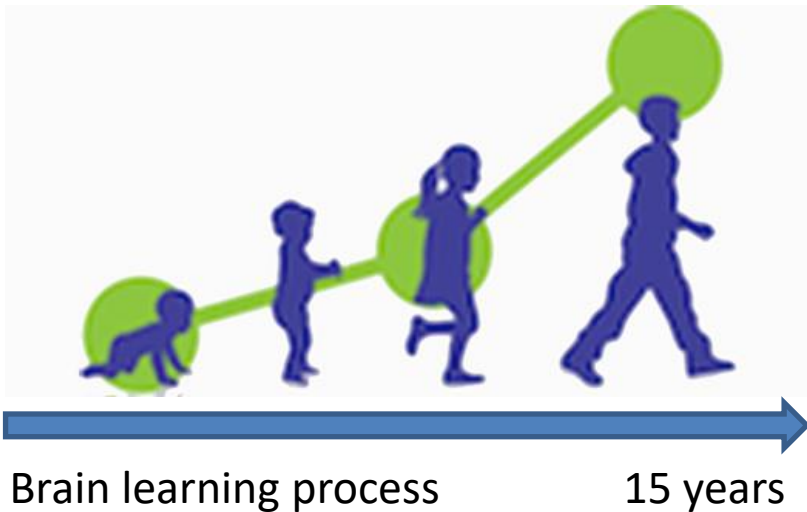
If no gain  
 $0 < w_j < 1$



# Why photonics?

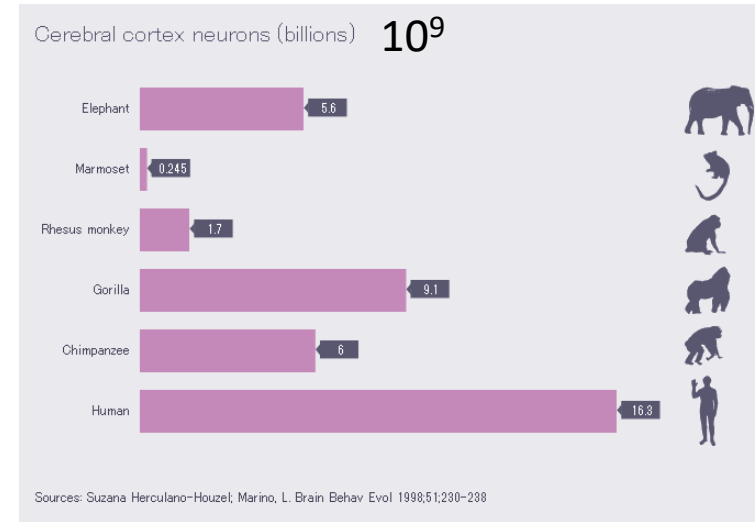
- Light is fast!
  - Biological neuron timescale *ms*
  - Optical neurons timescale *ps*
  - Information processing at TBit/s
- Power efficient (hopefully)
- Parallelism (WDM)
- Passive interconnect BW 4 THz
- Fast optoelectronic devices

Factor of  $10^9$ !!



# Integration is the key!

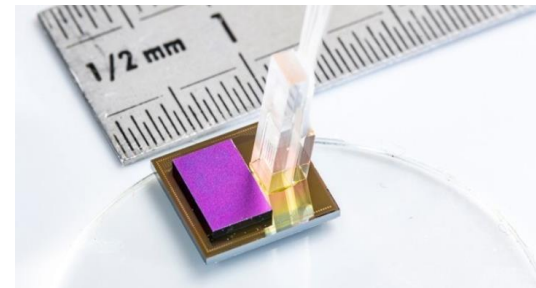
- Brain capabilities is related to neurons number
- Even a mouse has **milions** of neurons
- A lot of optical components are required to mimic biology



Bulk optics



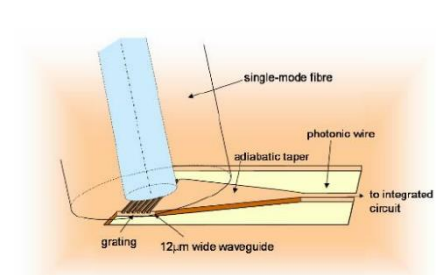
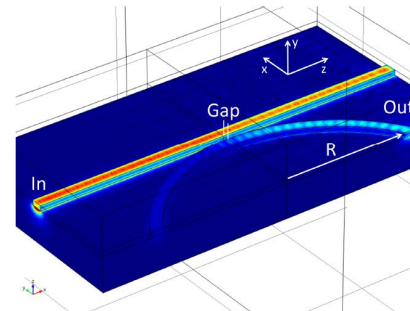
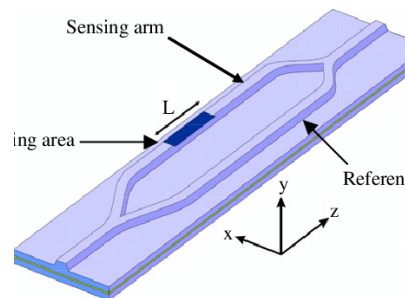
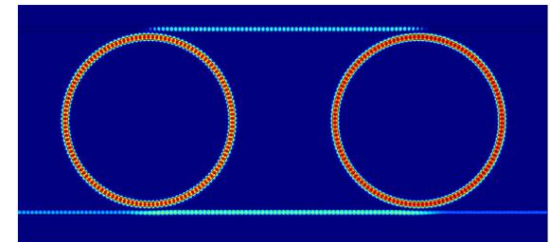
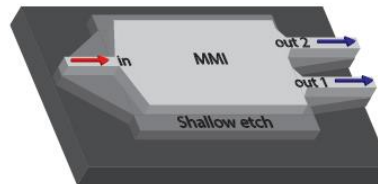
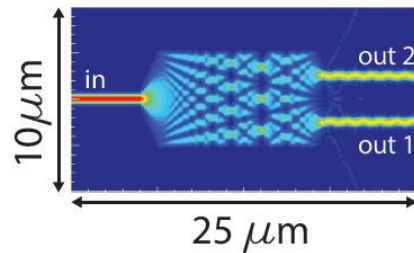
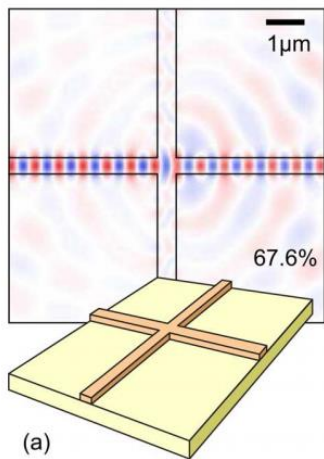
Integrated optics



More than 1k optical components

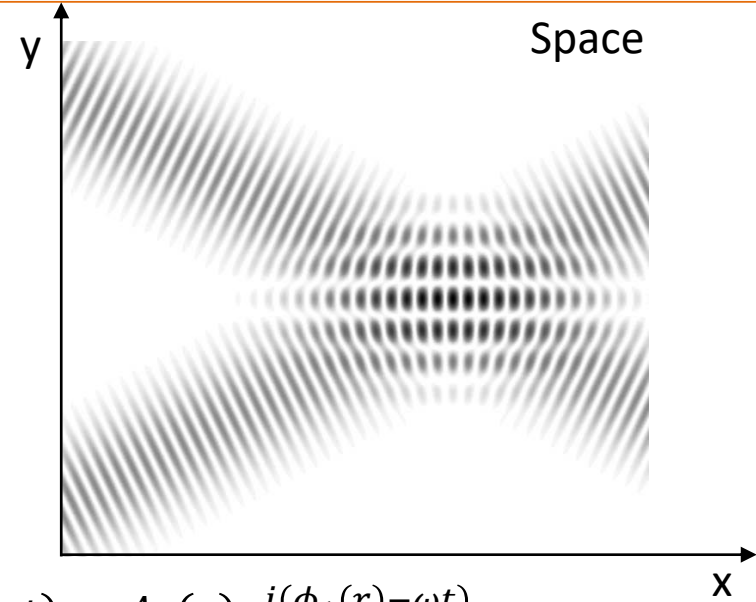
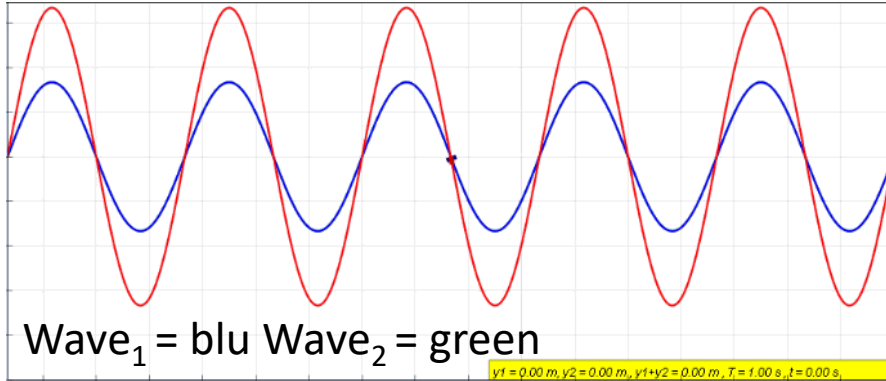
# Devices example

- Main building blocks of an optical integrated circuit
  - Grating coupler
  - Crossing
  - Power splitters (direction coupler, MMI)
  - Mach Zhender
  - Microresonator



# Light interference

Time



Thin film interference



$$U_1(r, t) = A_1(r) e^{i(\phi_1(r) - \omega t)}$$

$$U_2(r, t) = A_2(r) e^{i(\phi_2(r) - \omega t)}$$

$$U(r, t) = U_1(r, t) + U_2(r, t)$$

$$I(r) = \int U(r, t) U^*(r, t) dt$$

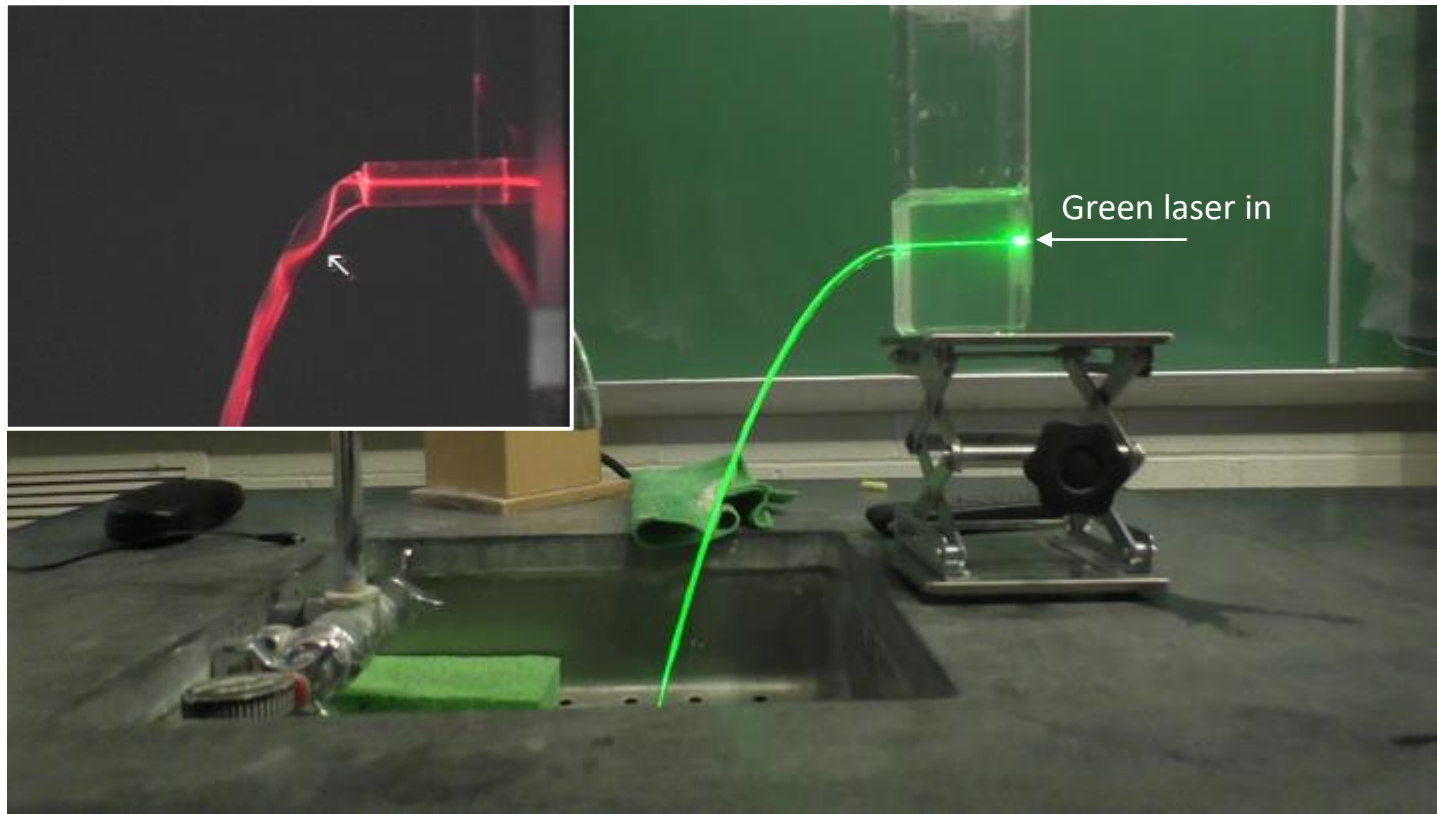
activation



$$I(r) = I_1(r) + I_2(r) + 2\sqrt{I_1(r)I_2(r)}\cos(\phi_1(r) - \phi_2(r))$$

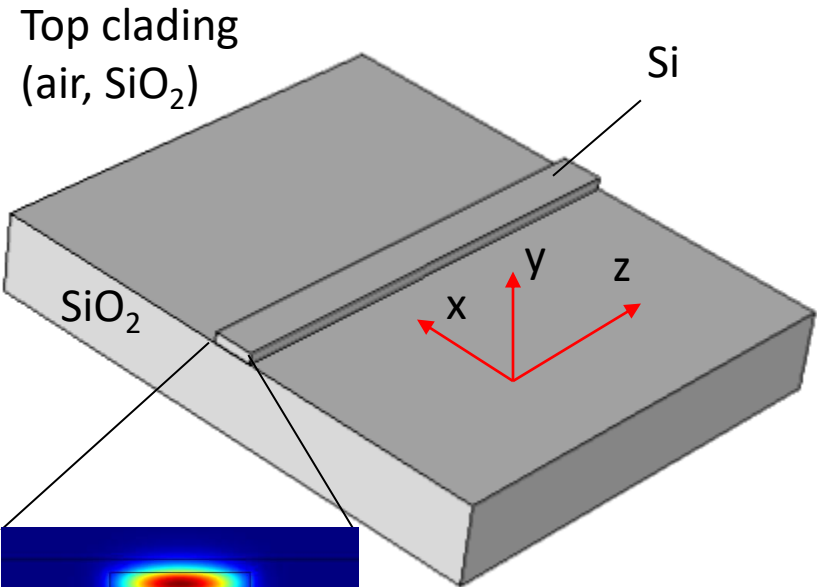
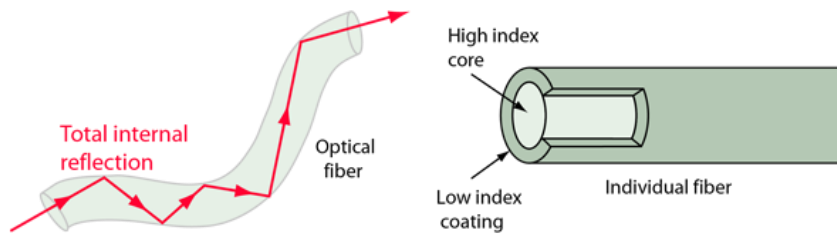
# Optical waveguide principle

- Index contrast  $n_{core} > n_{clad}$
- Total internal reflection

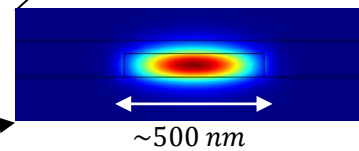
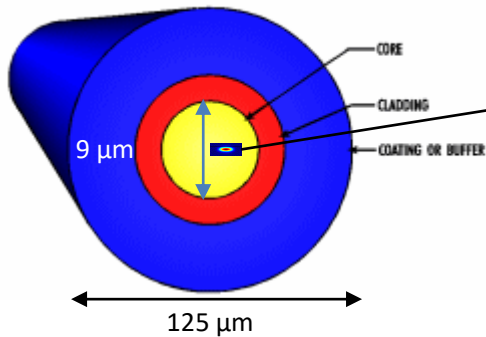




# Optical waveguide: fiber vs wire

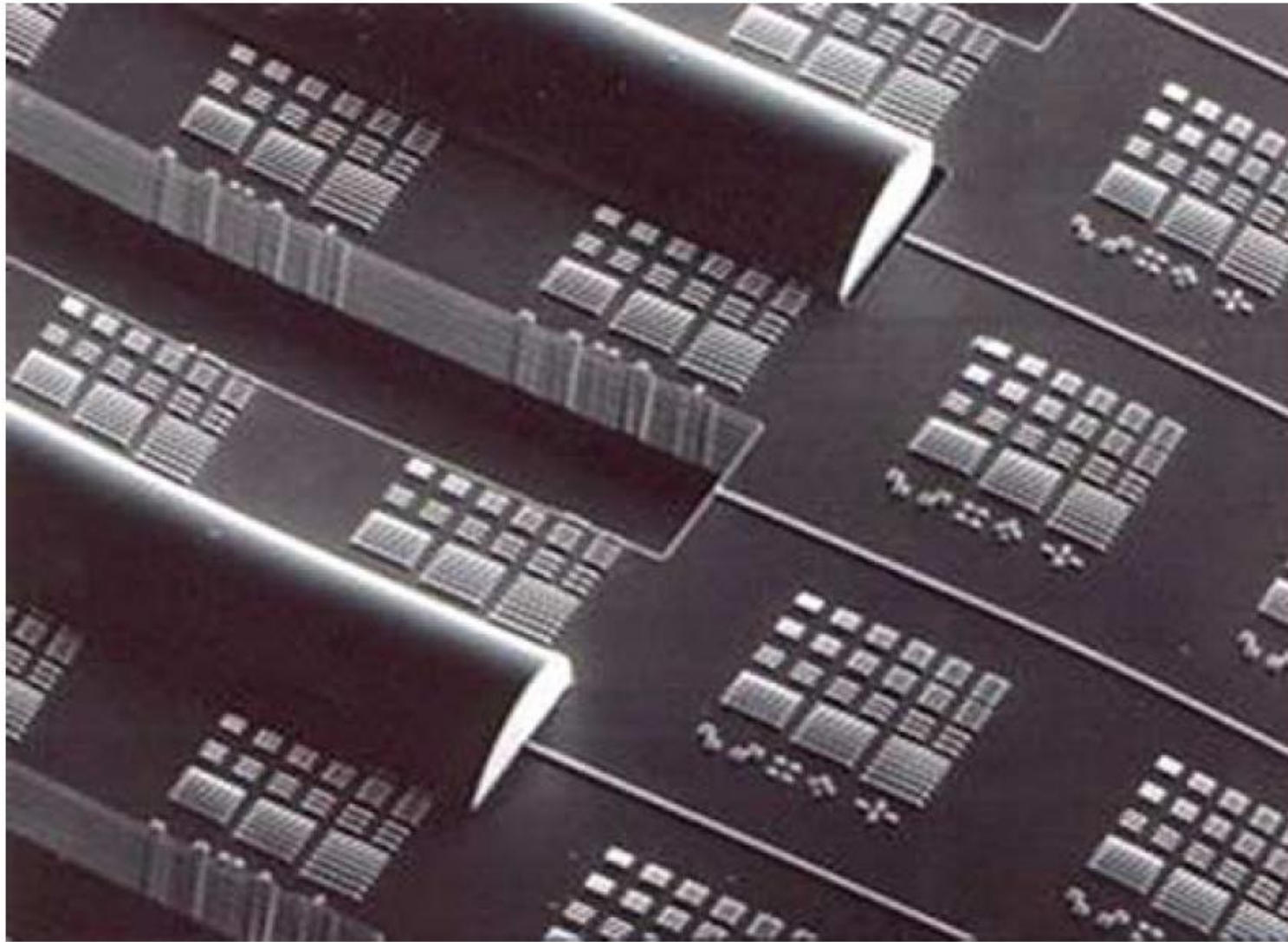


CROSS-SECTION OF AN OPTICAL FIBER



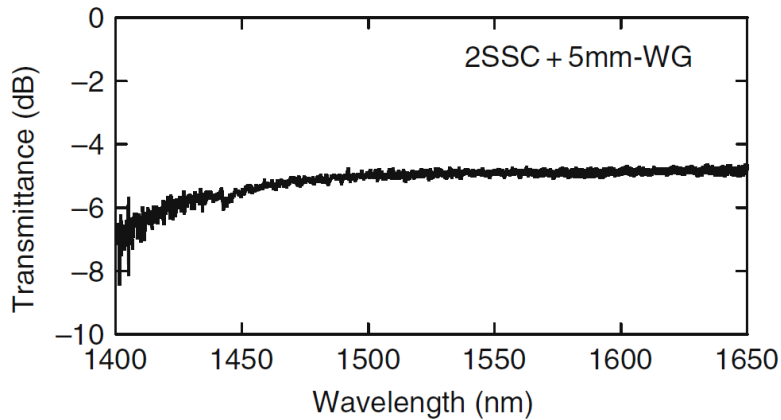
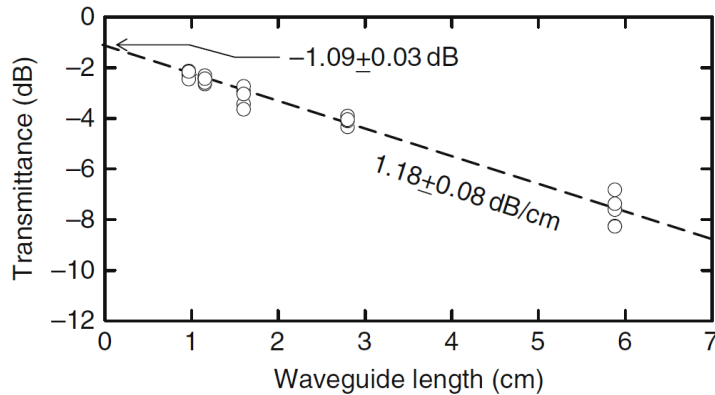


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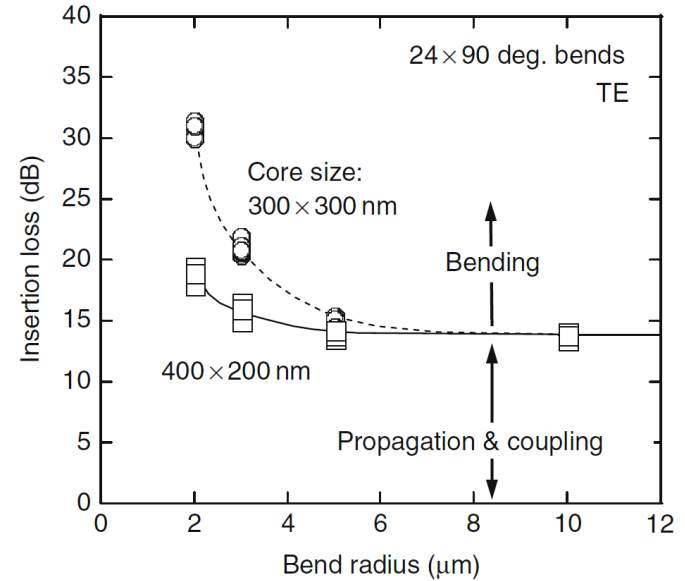


# Optical waveguide performance

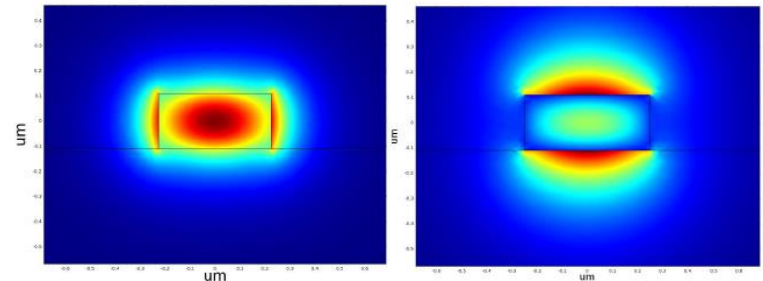
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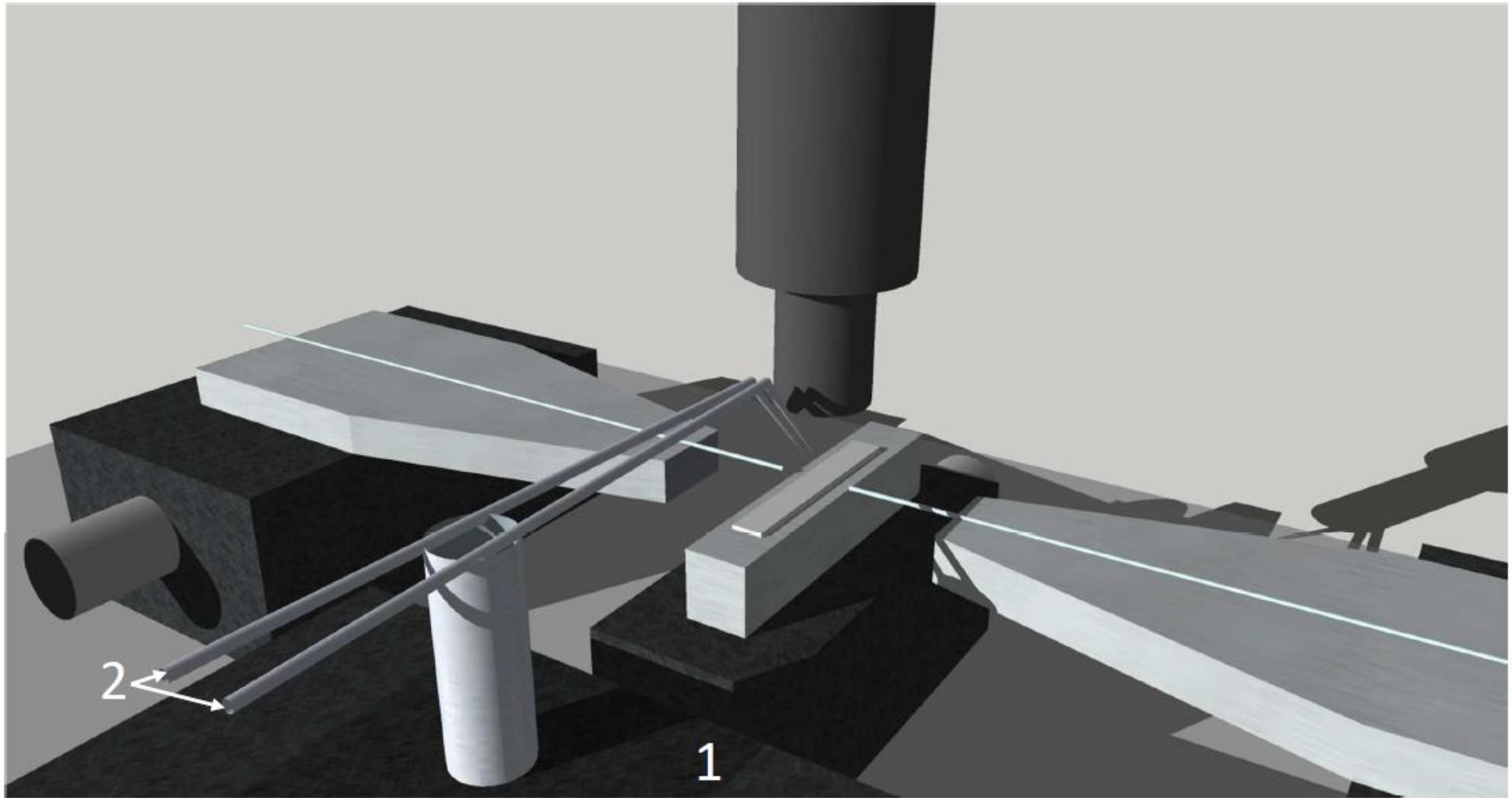
## Bend loss



## Bandwidth C-band (4 THz)

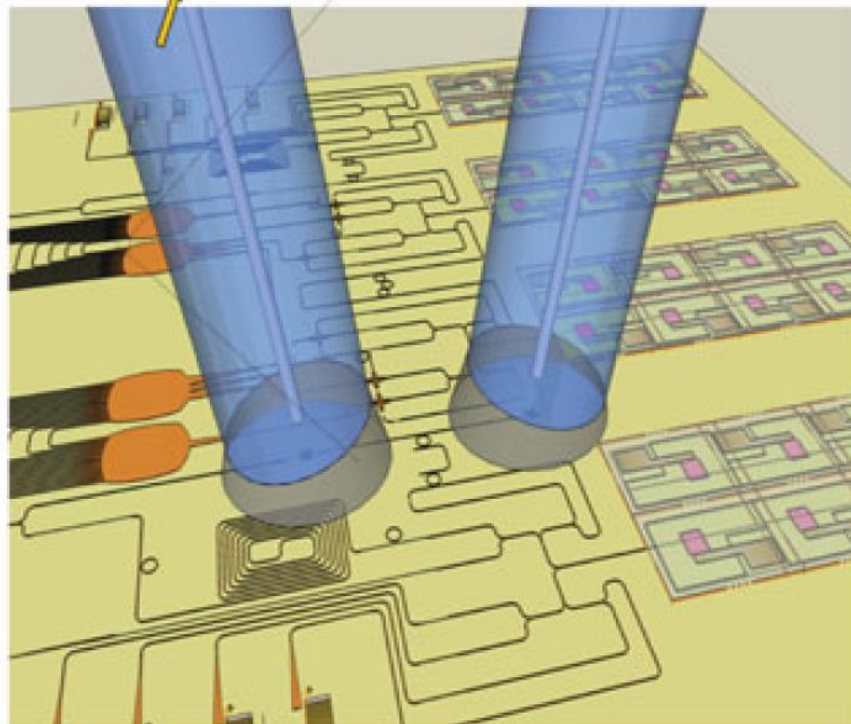
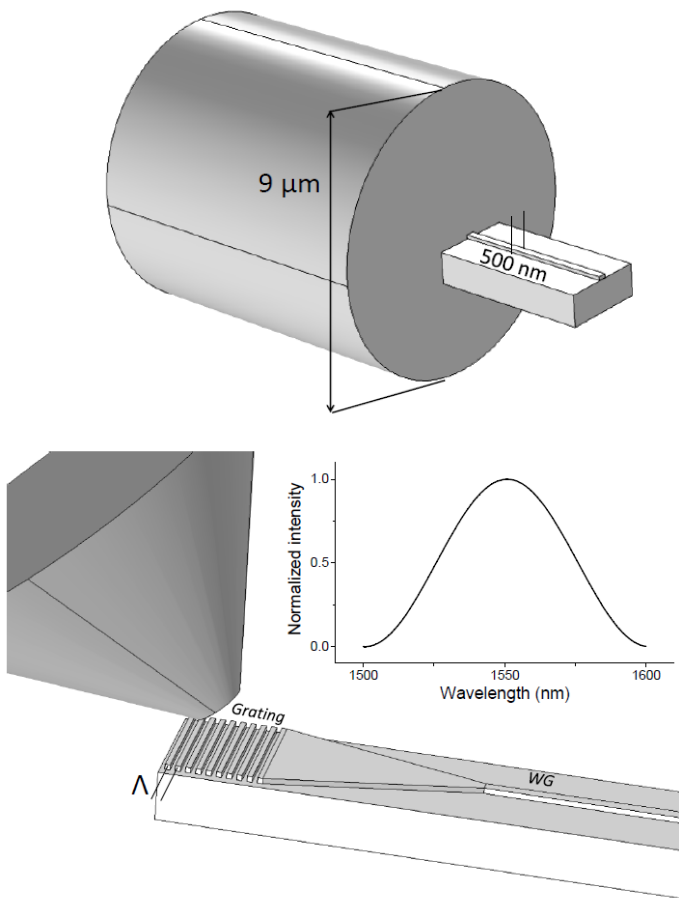


# Fiber coupled setup for chip testing



# Grating coupler

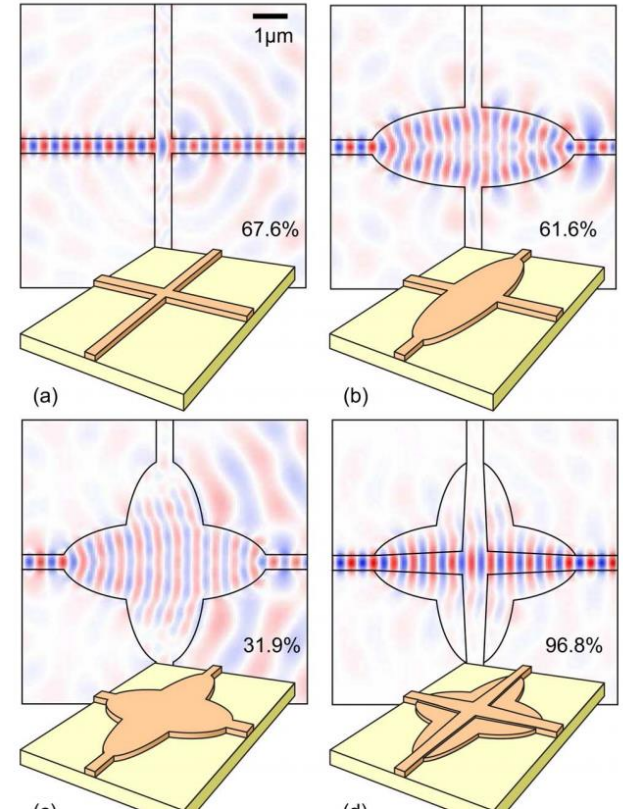
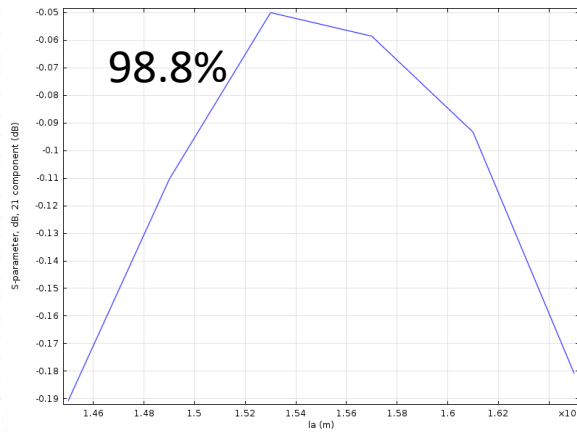
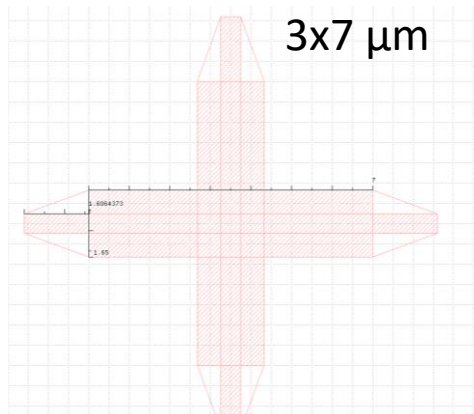
## Coupling into and out-of the chip





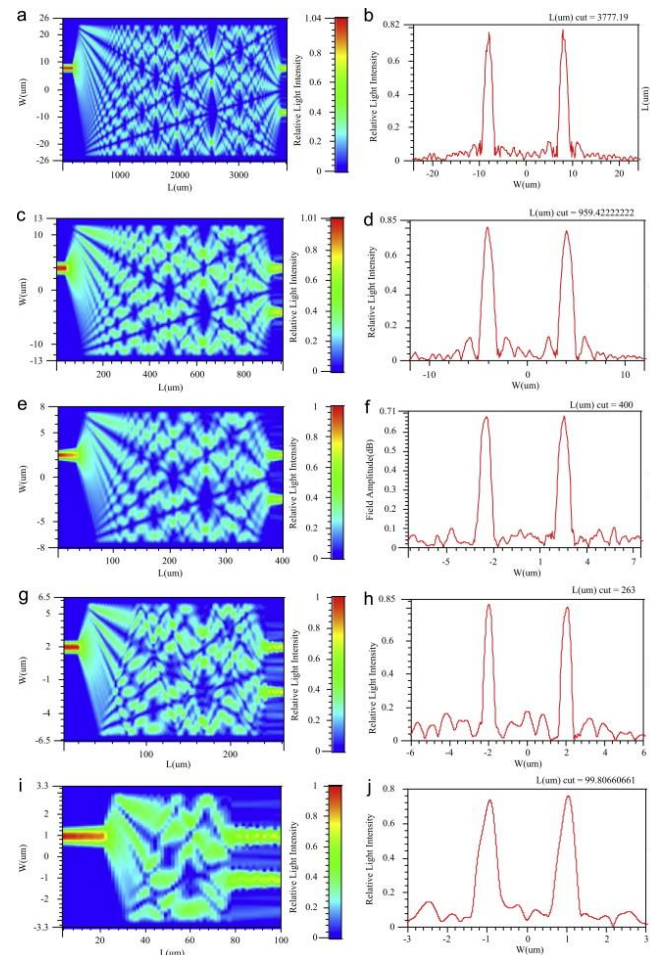
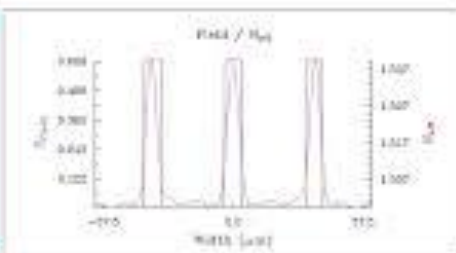
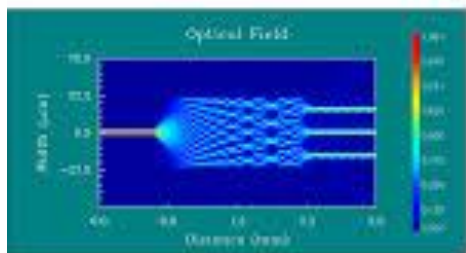
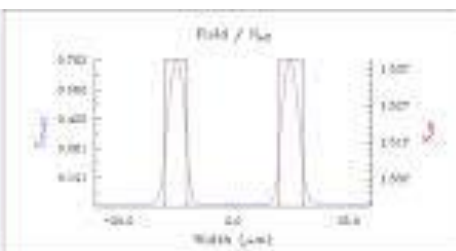
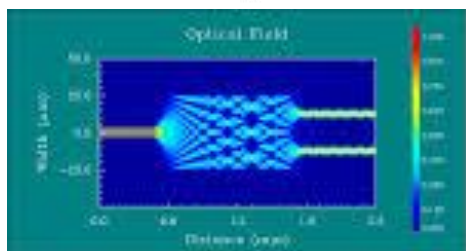
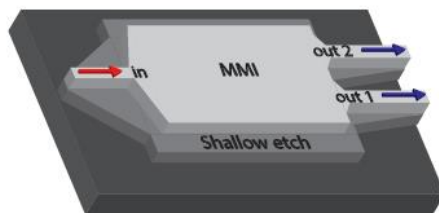
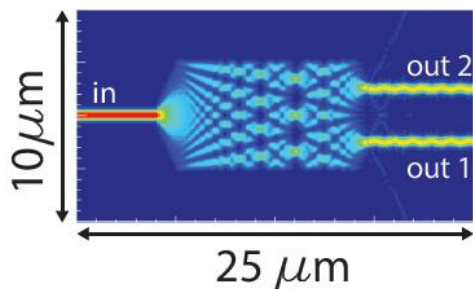
# Crossing

- Cross of two waveguides
- Waveguide matrix

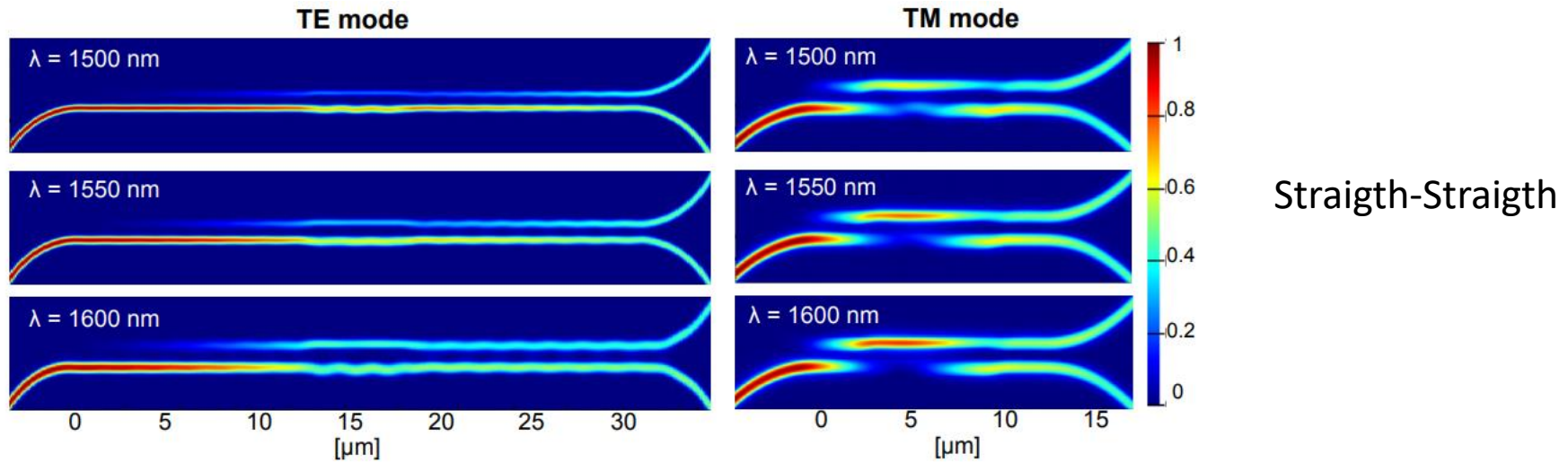


# Power splitter: MMI

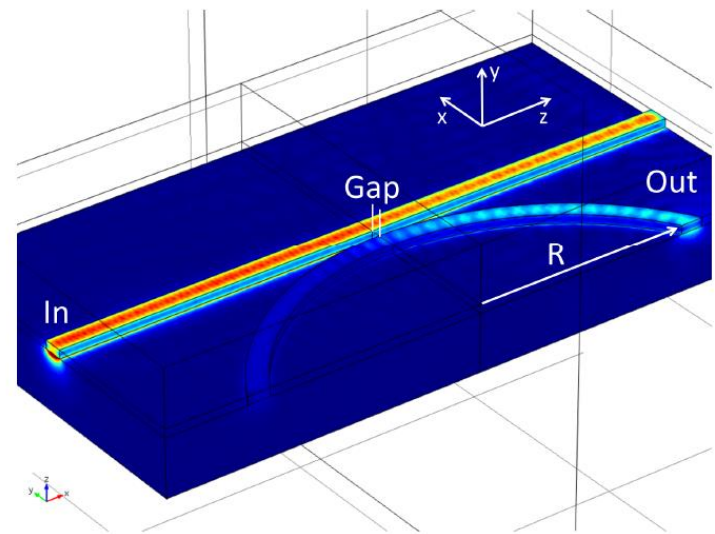
- Multimode Interference Waveguides
- Symmetric spatial interference (self-imaging)



# Power splitter: directional coupler



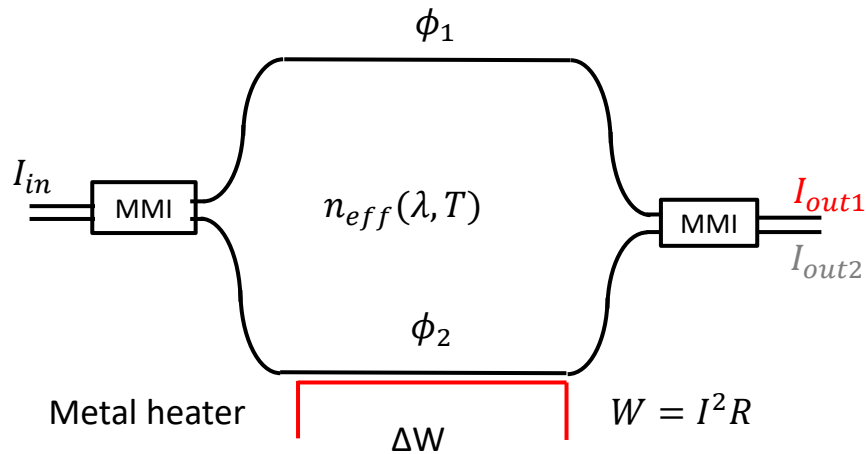
Straight-bent





# Mach Zehnder Interferometer

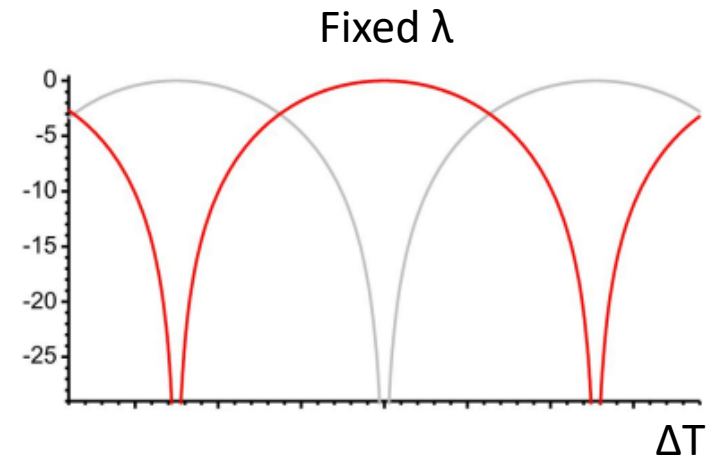
- Variable Optical Attenuator
- Unitary transformation
- Signal mixing



$$I_{out1} = \frac{1}{2} I_{in} (1 + \cos(\Delta\phi))$$

$$I_{out2} = \frac{1}{2} I_{in} (1 - \cos(\Delta\phi))$$

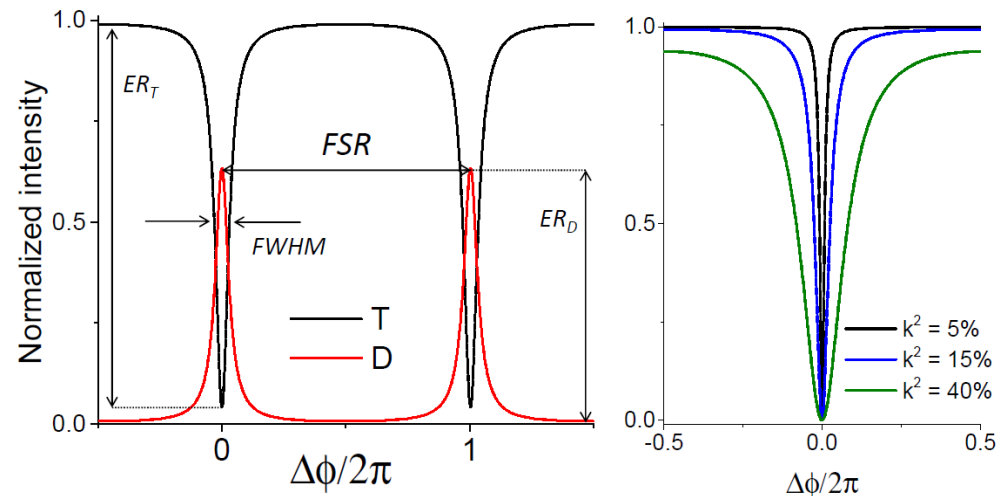
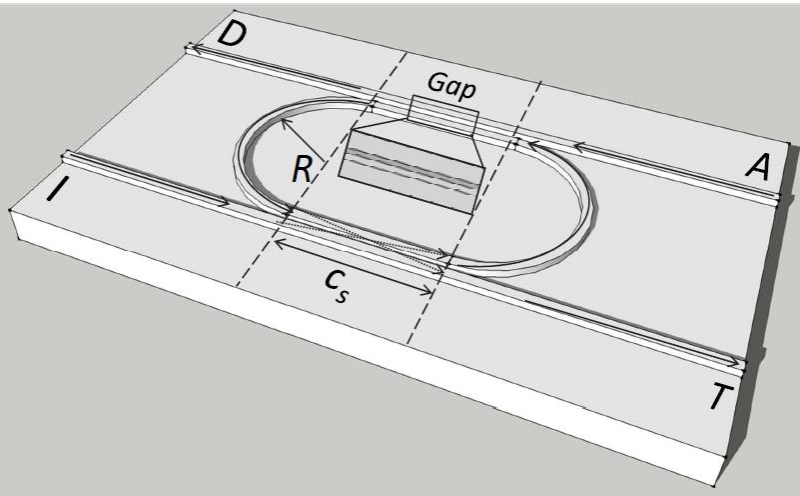
$$\Delta\phi = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (n_{eff} L_1 - n_{eff} L_2)$$



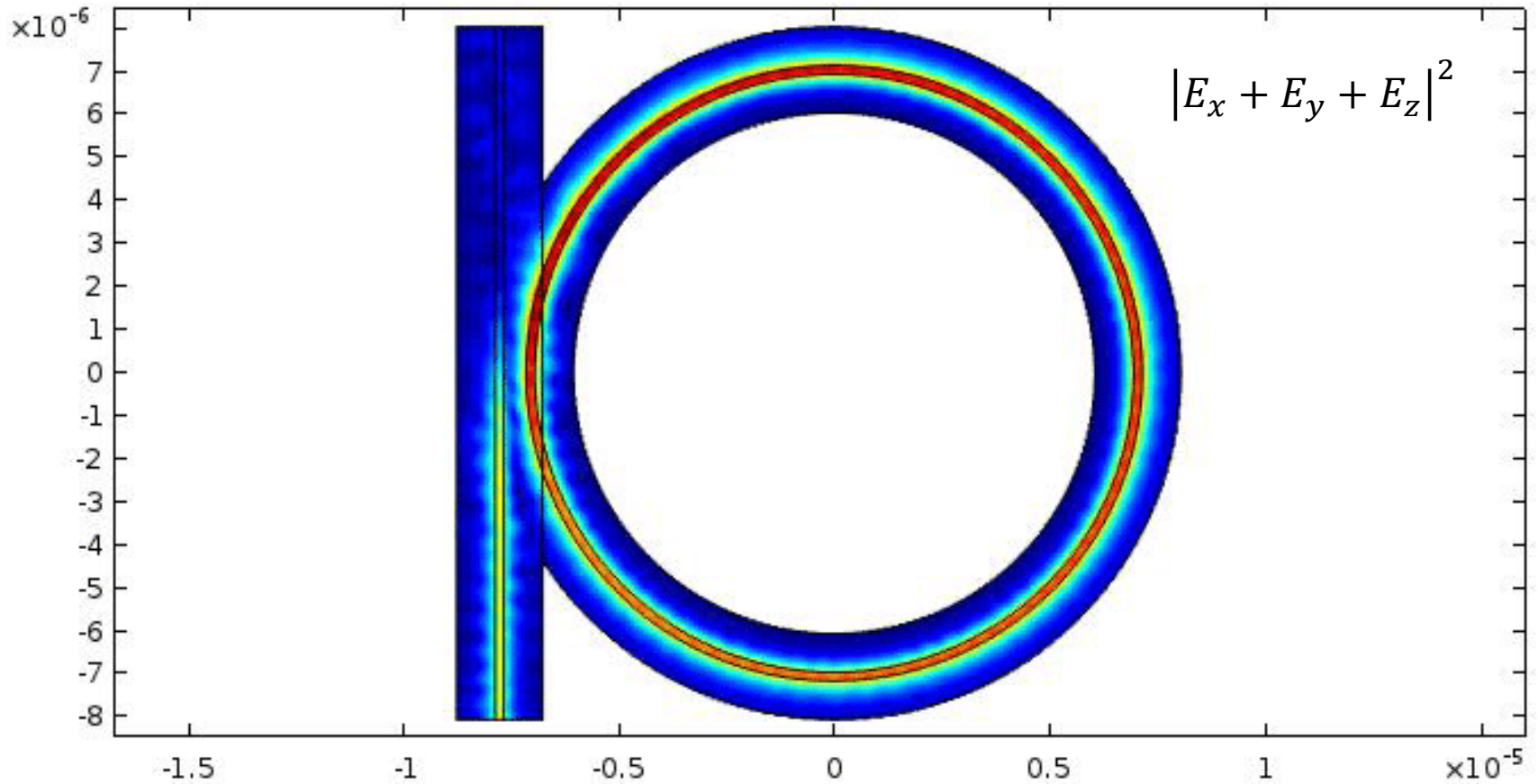
# Micro-resonator

- Resonant phenomena
- Constructive interference for  $m\lambda_0 = n_{eff}(\lambda, T) p$  with  $p = 2\pi R + 2C_s$

$$n_{eff}(\lambda, T)$$

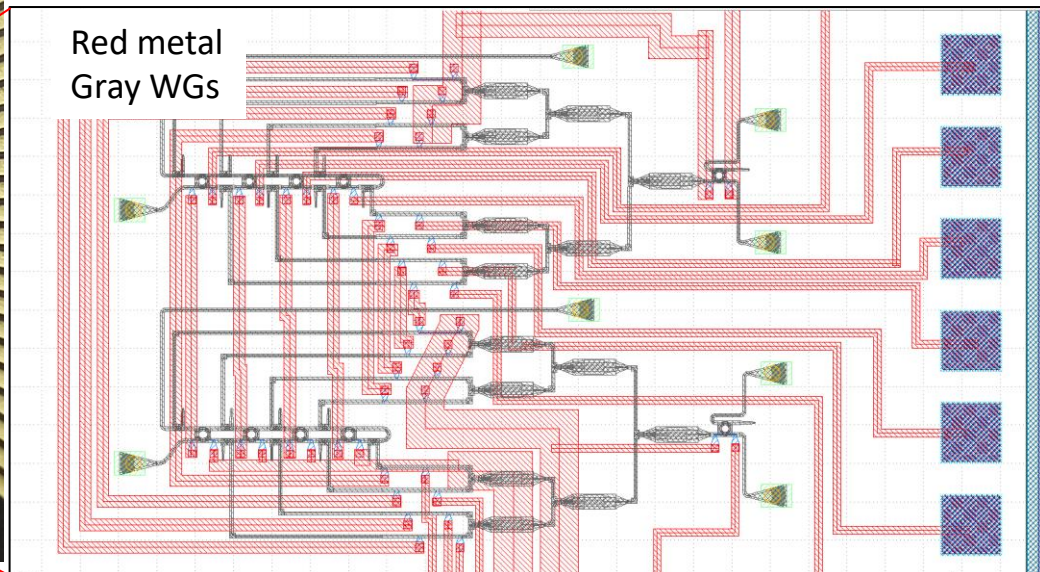
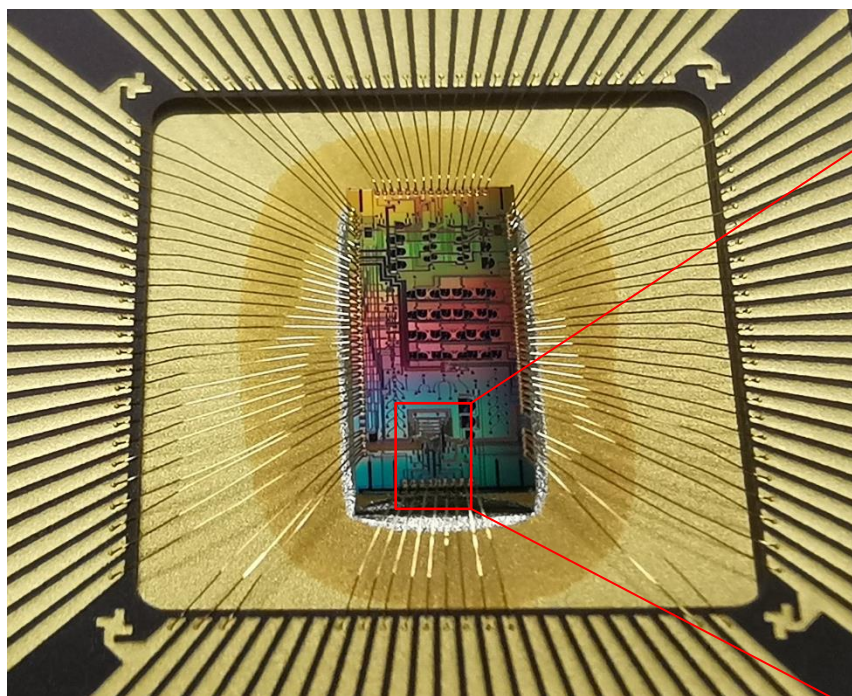
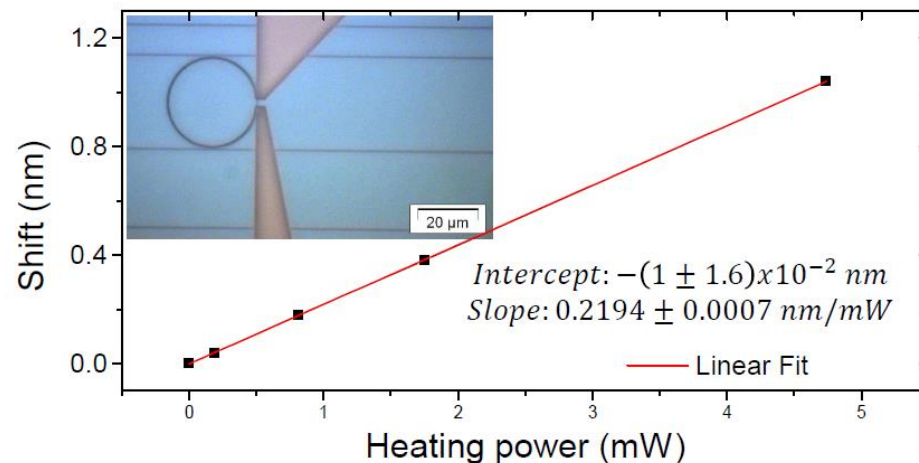


# Micro-resonator: Enhancement factor



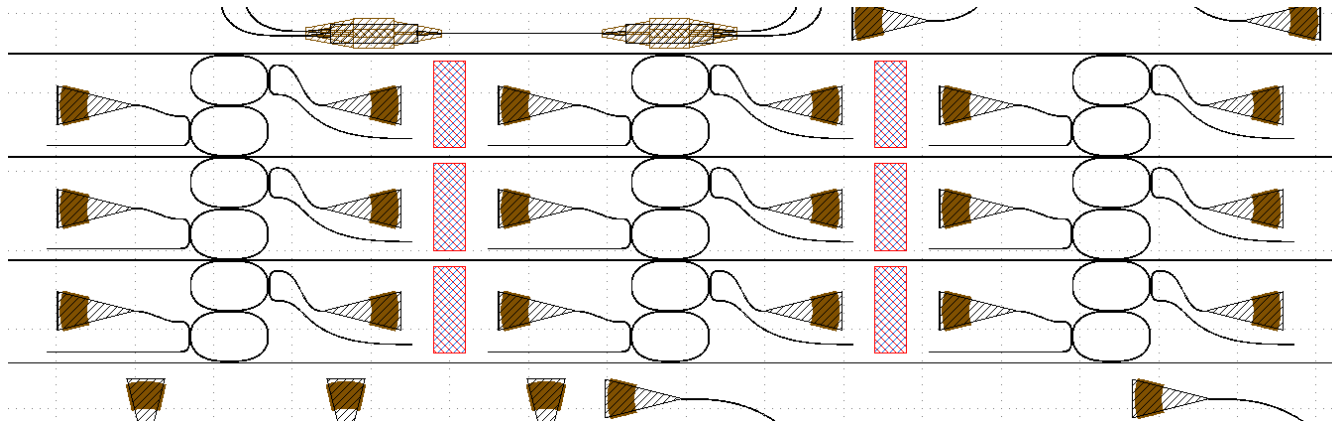
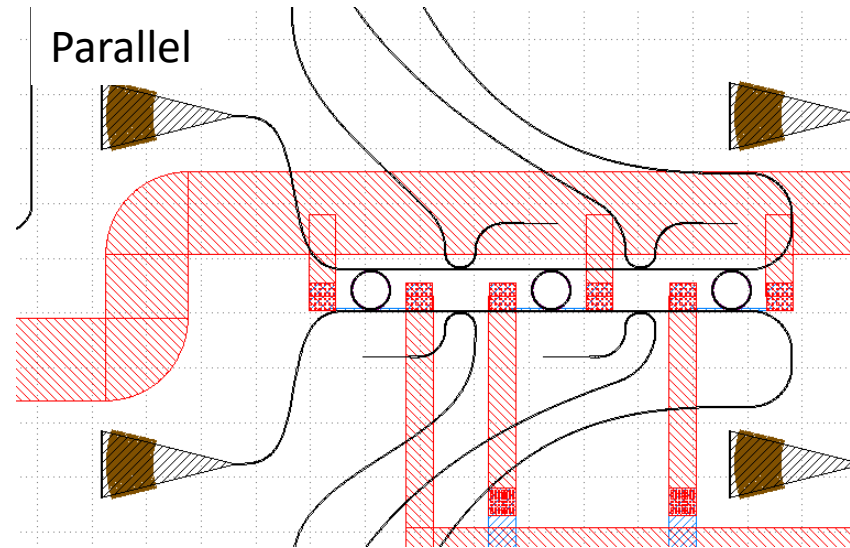
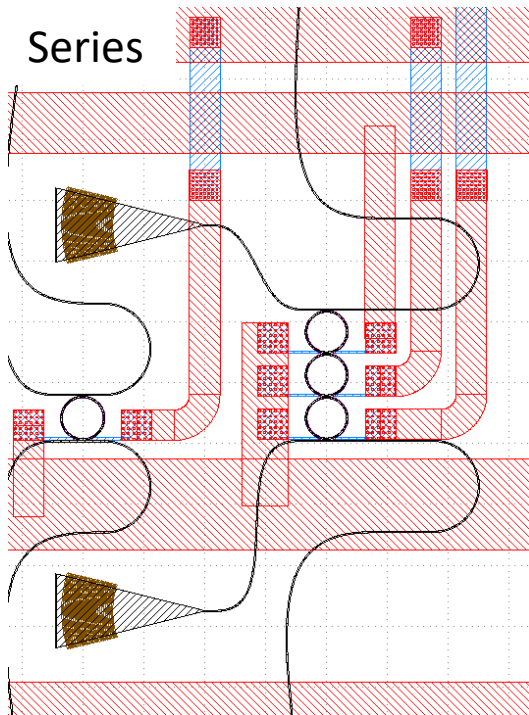
# Micro-resonator tuning

- Thermal tuning  $m\lambda_0 = n_{eff}(\lambda, T)p$
- Carriers injection
- Strain induced by piezoelectric material
- Phase change material



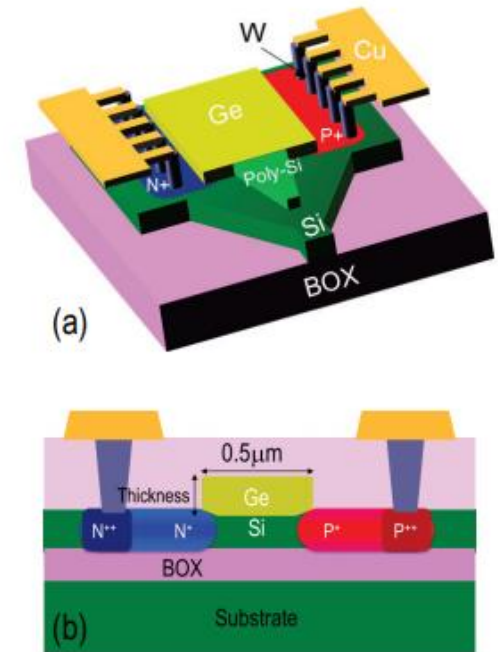
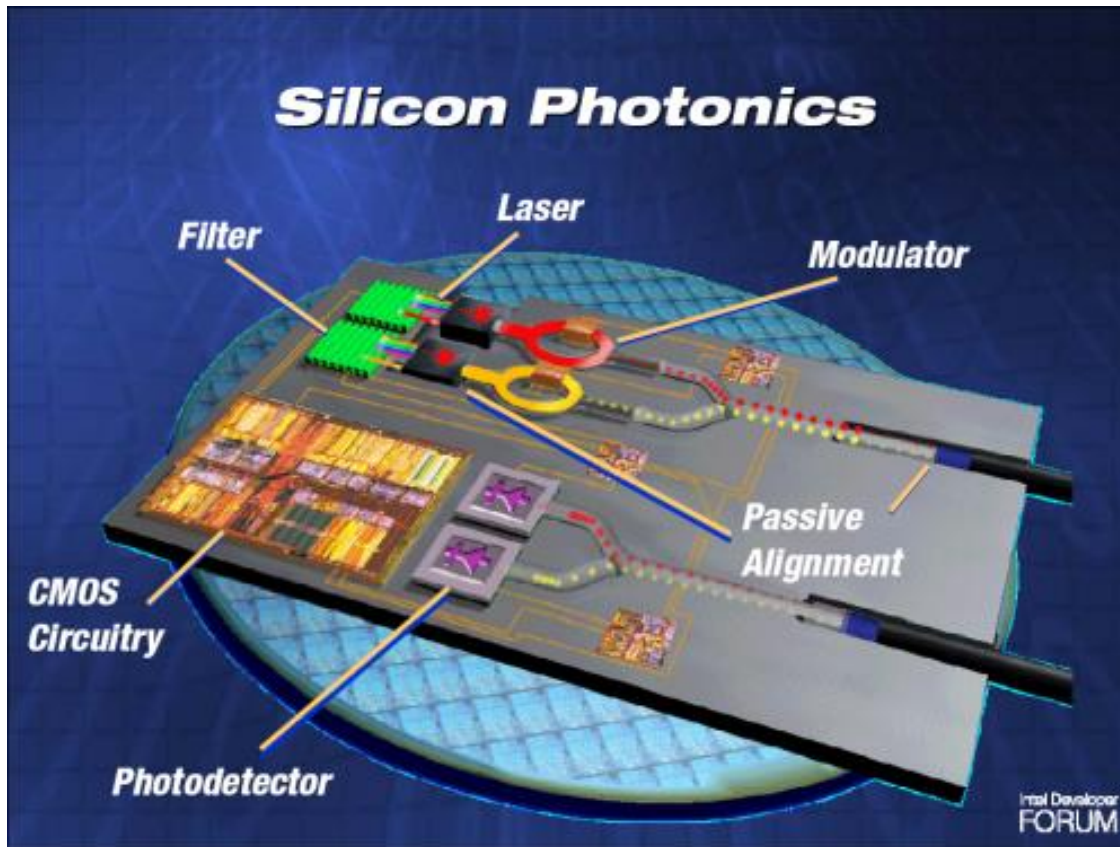


# Multiple micro-resonators



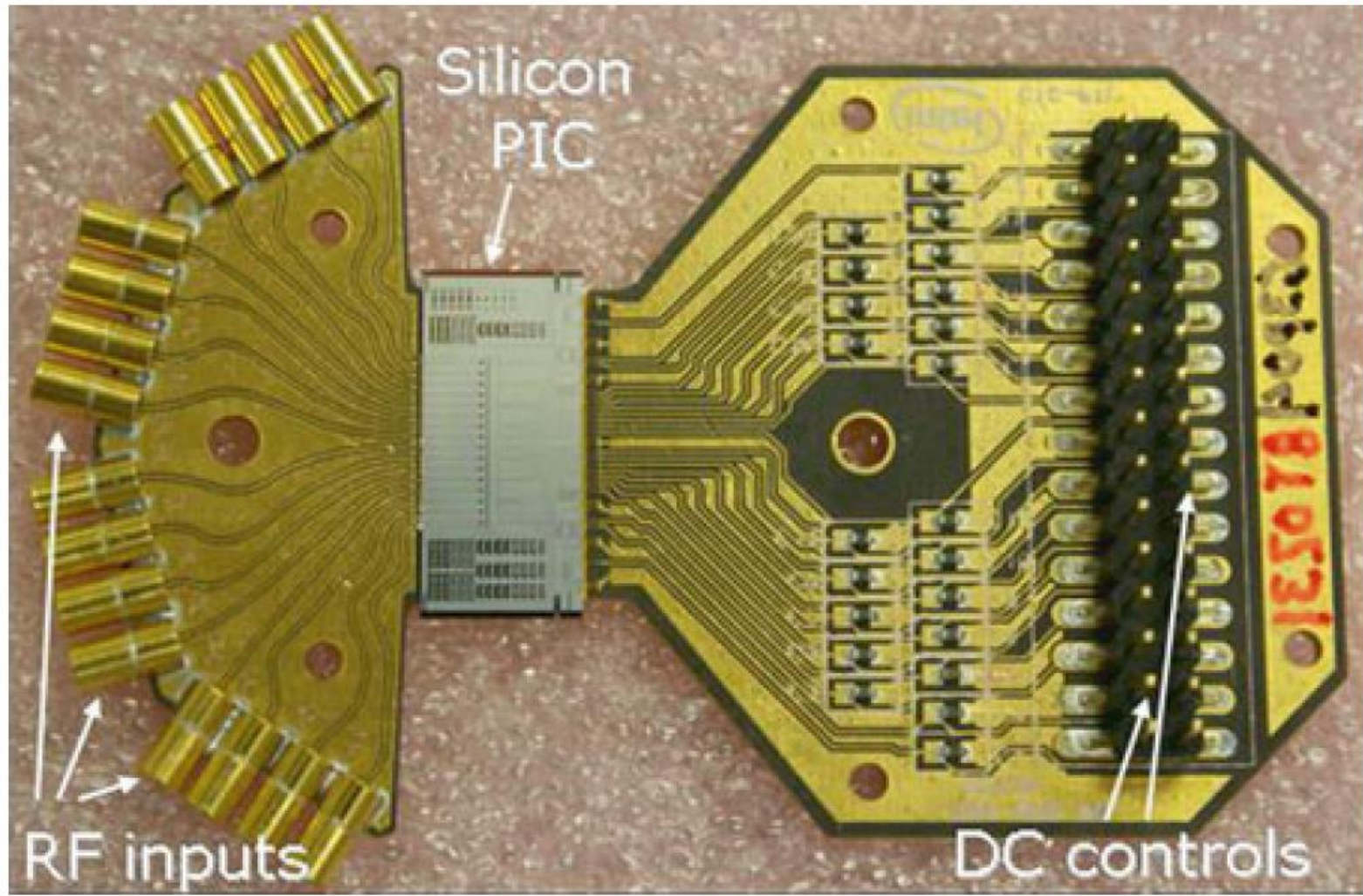
# Integrated photodiode

- Si-Ge photodiode
- Optical to electrical conversion  $\rightarrow |\cdot|^2$  (non linearity)
- Directly on chip, fast, TIA close to detector



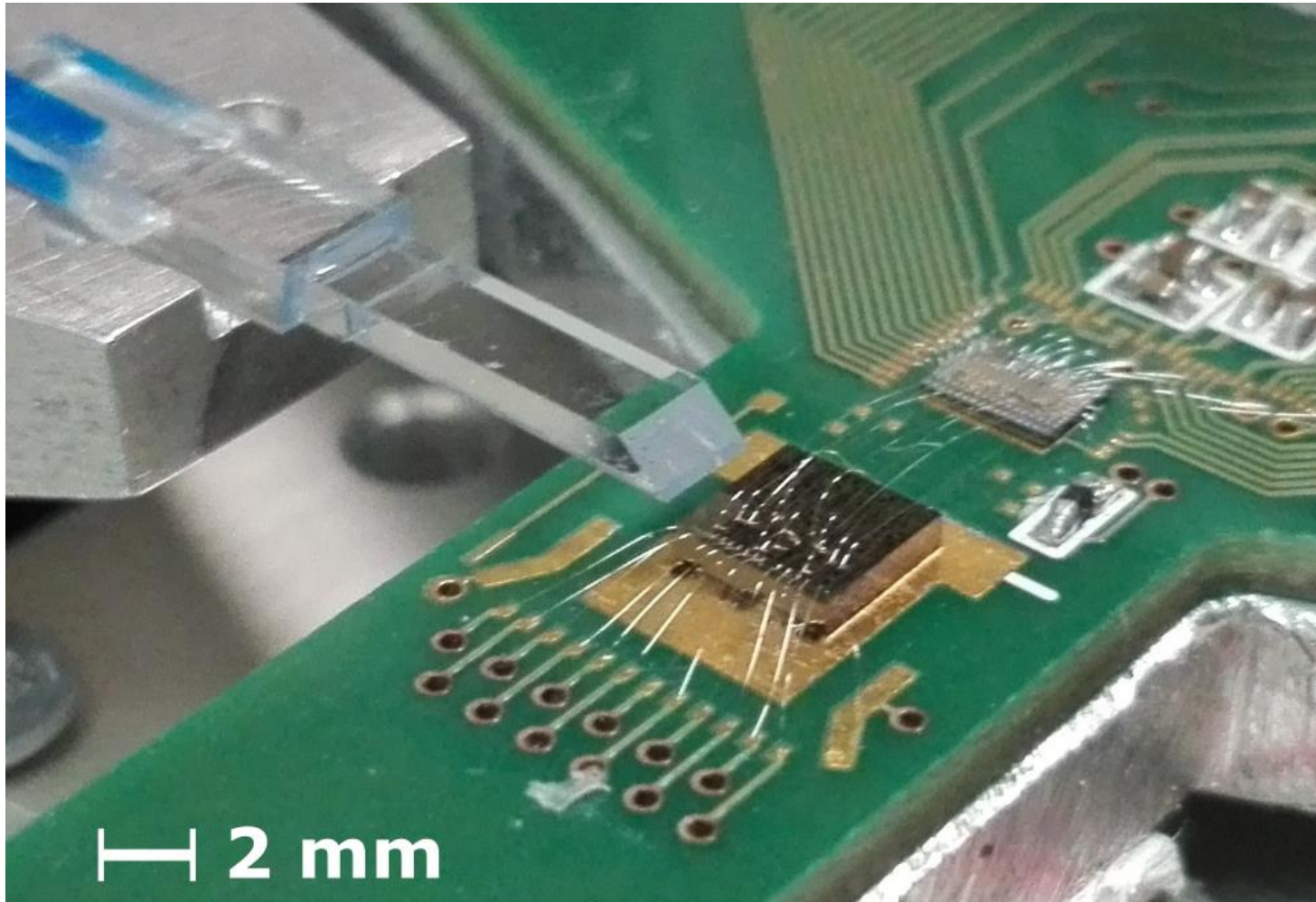
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# Packaging examples

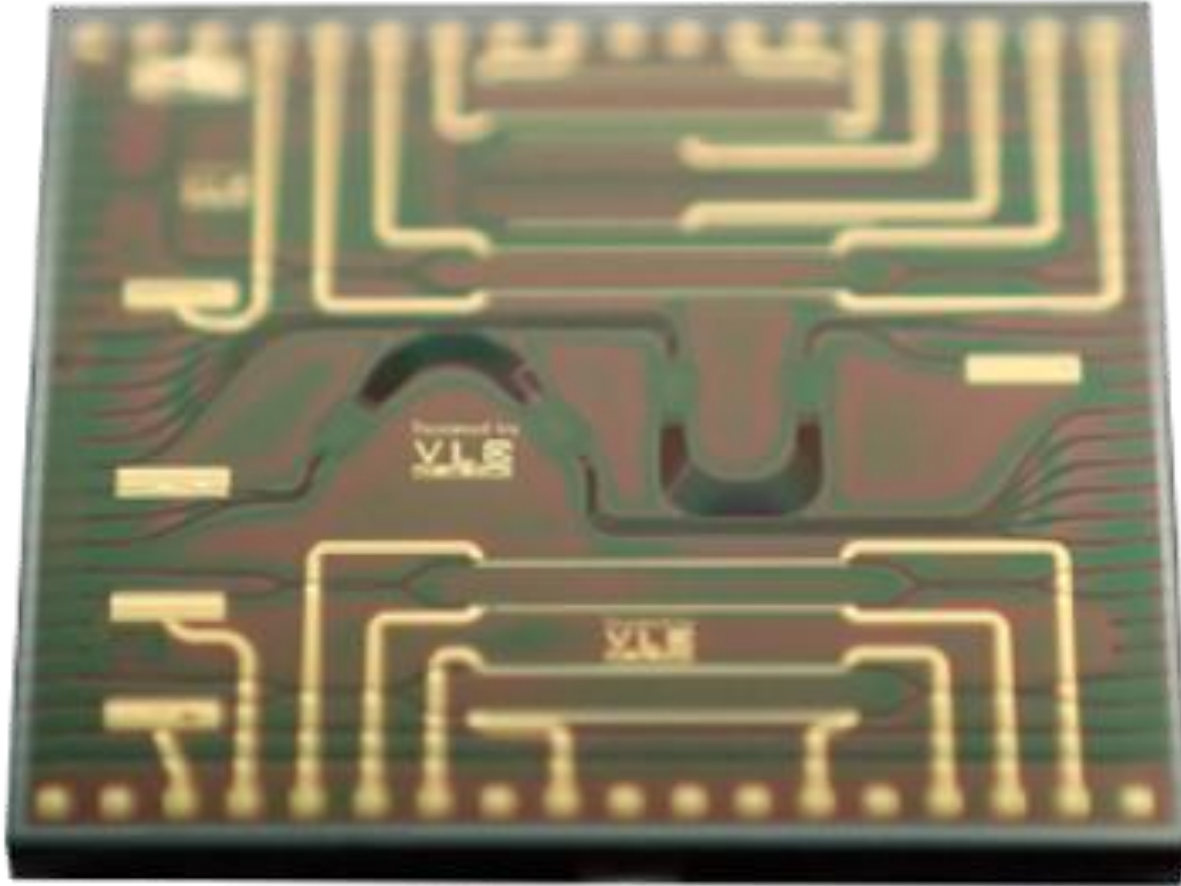




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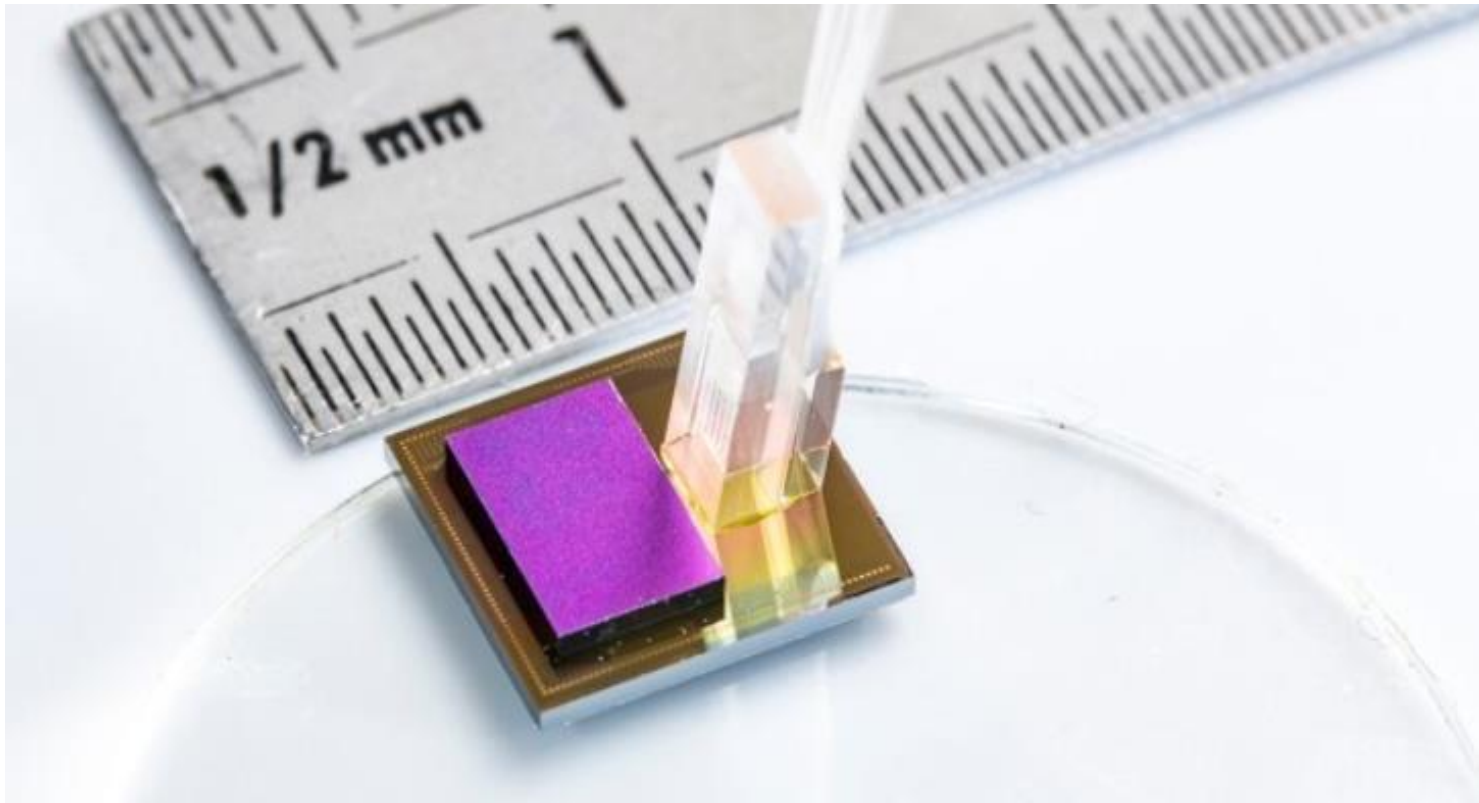


# Chip + metal layer example



# IRIS project (2017)

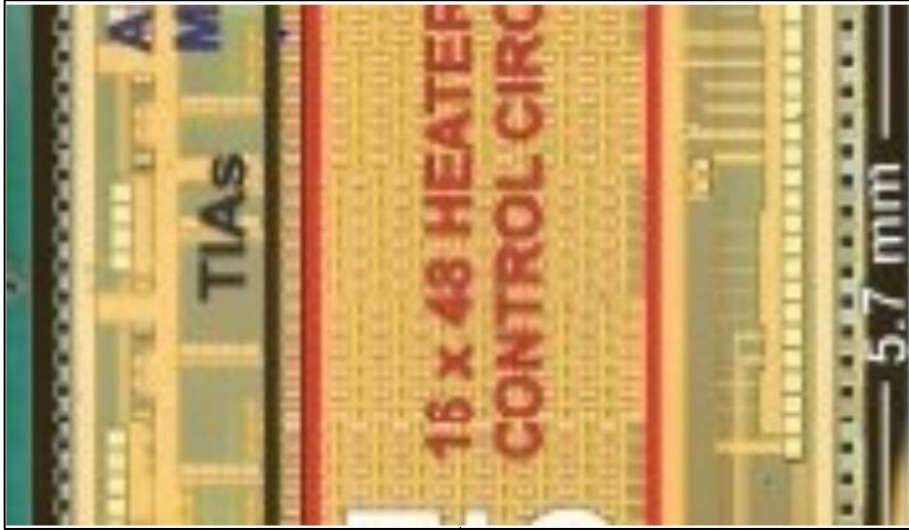
Full integration of optics and electronics



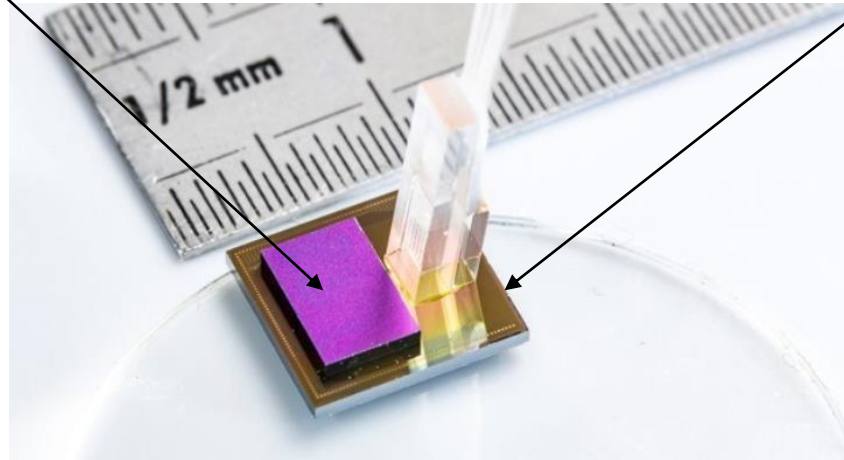
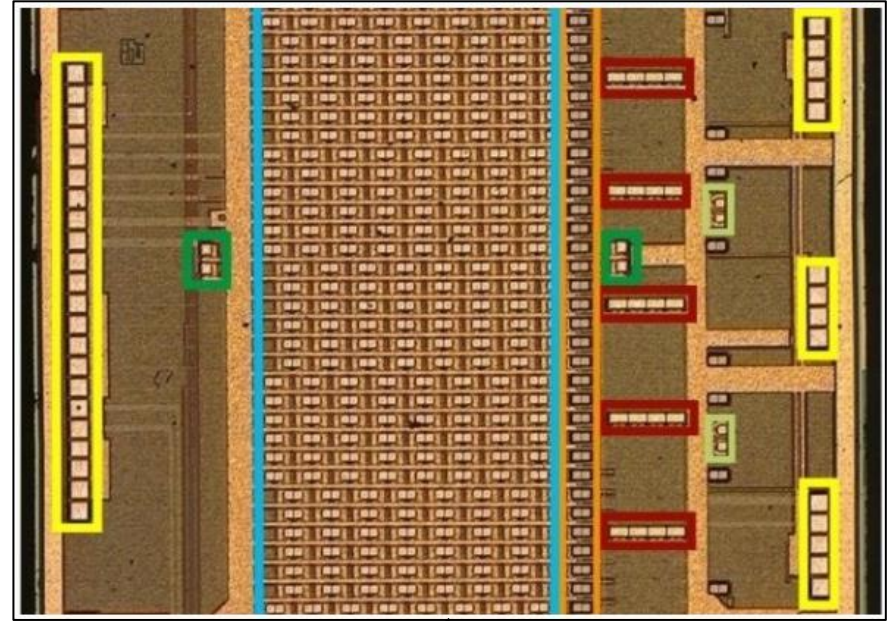


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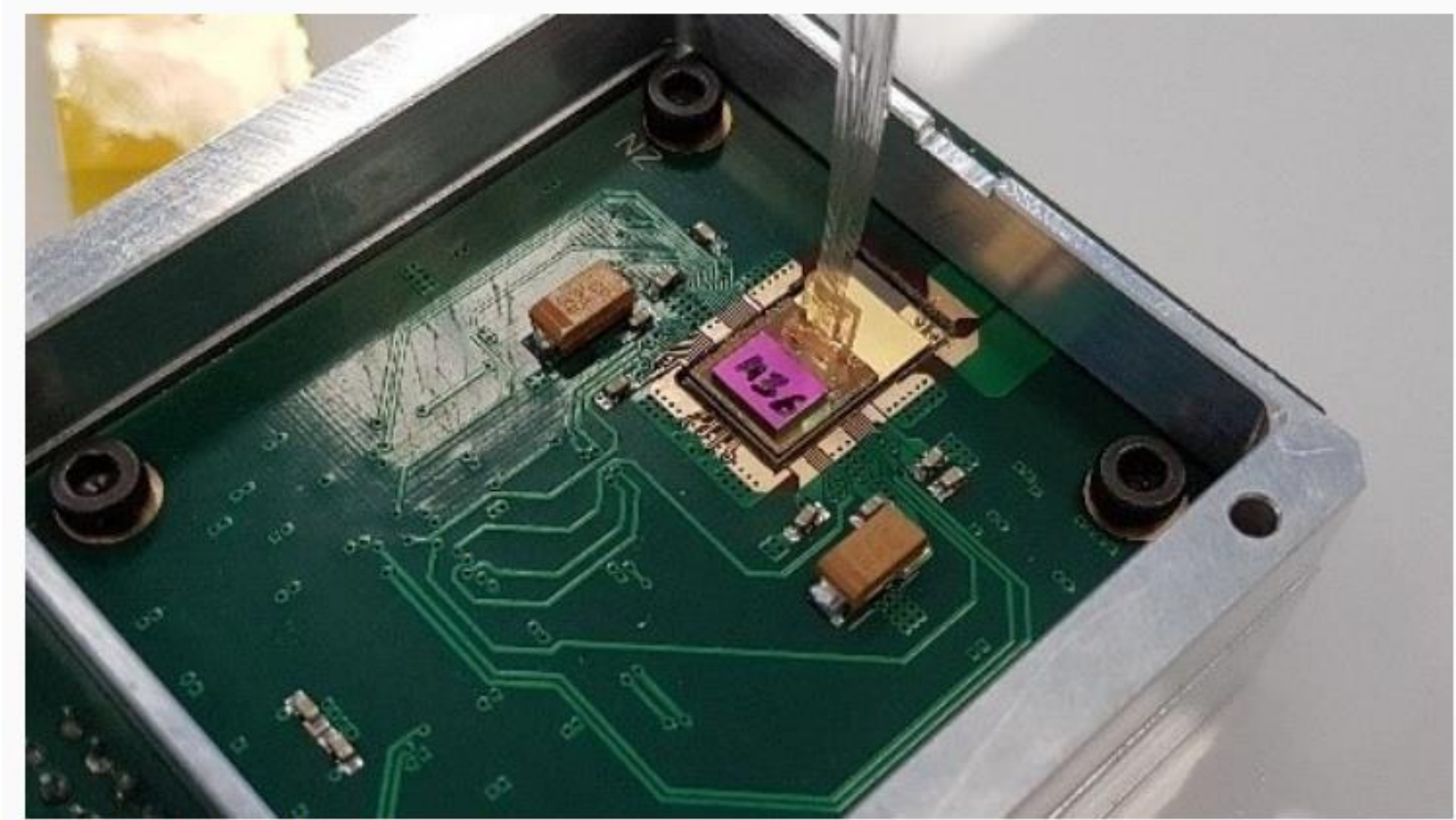
Electronics



Optics



# IRIS project



# Photonics neural network

Convolution Neural Network (CCN)

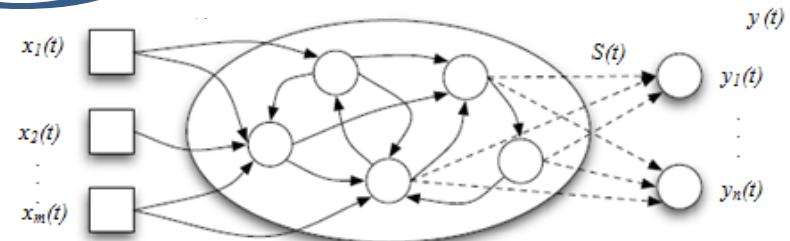
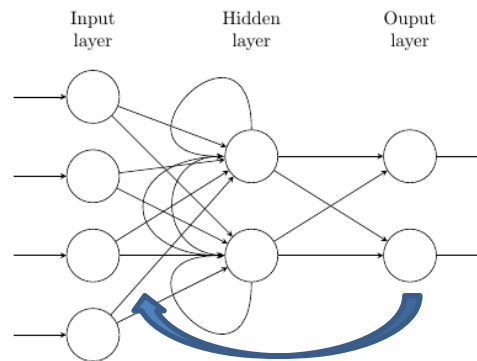
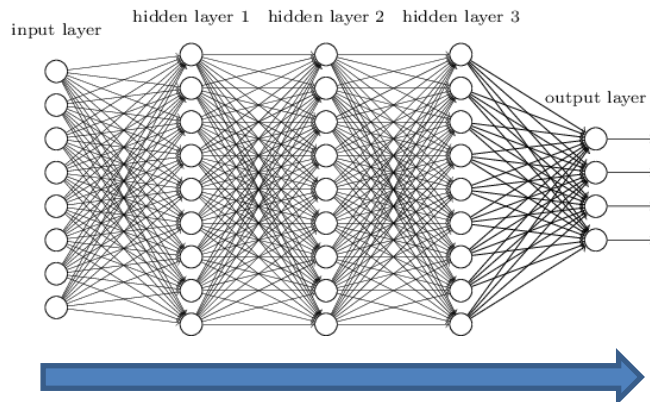
Feed Forward Network (FFN)

Recurrent Neural Network (RNN)

Reservoir computing Network (RCN)

- Output determined by actual input
- Classifier: Speech, image recognition ....
- Deep learning: back propagation
- All the weights can be trained

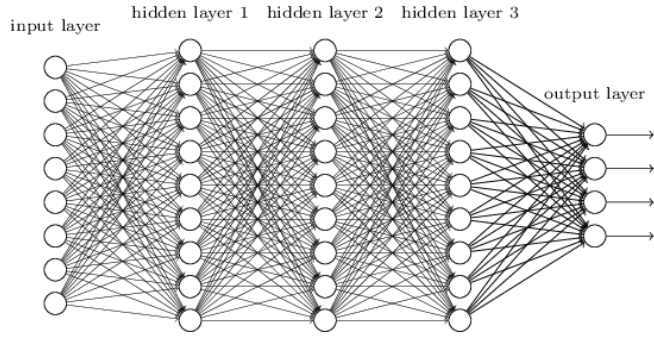
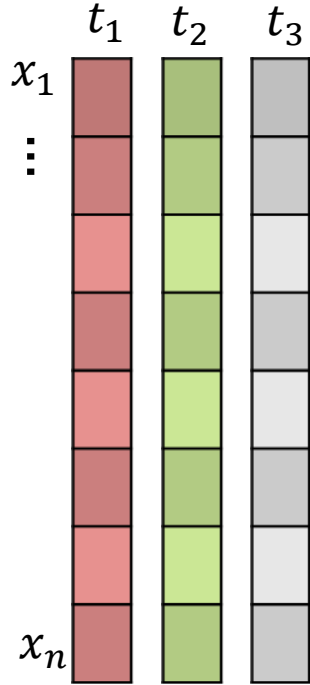
- Time dependent signal
- Non linear time series prediction
- Memory of the past inputs
- Hard to be fully trained
- RC: only the readout is trained





# Photonics neural network

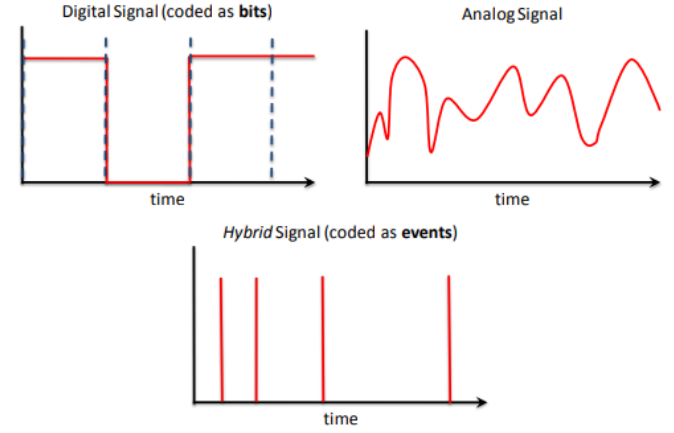
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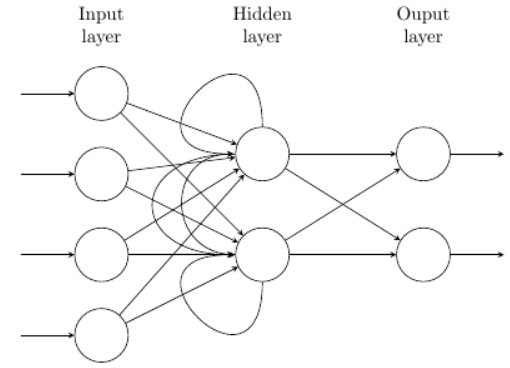
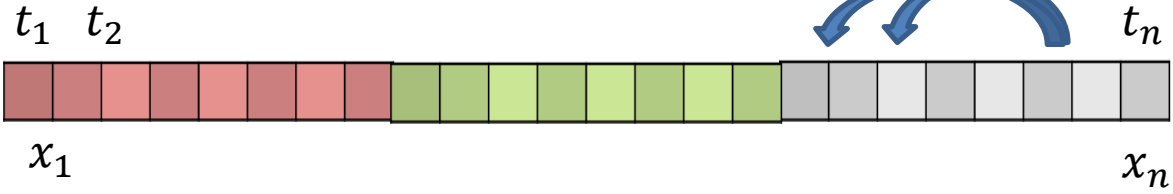
FFN output classes

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Input encoding



RCN input

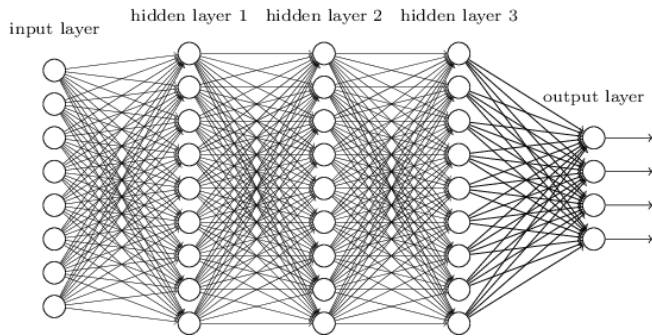


RCN output sequence



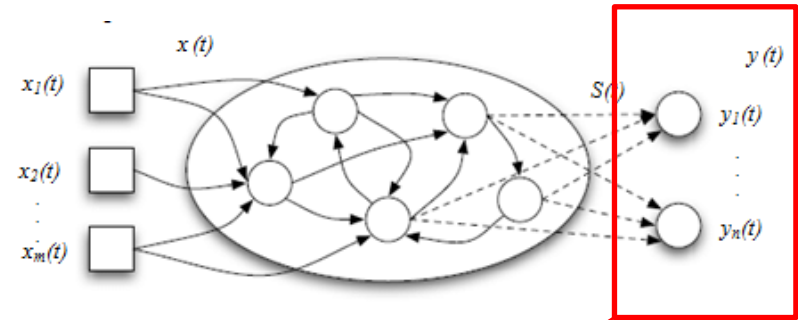
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FFN



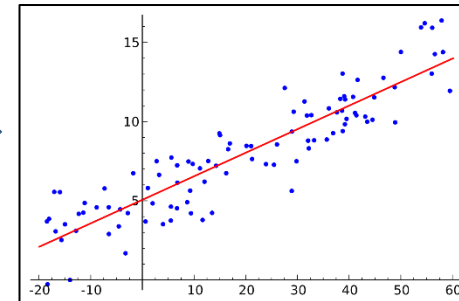
- Fully trained
- Backpropagation
- Stochastic gradient descent

RCN



Only readout is trained  
Linear regression

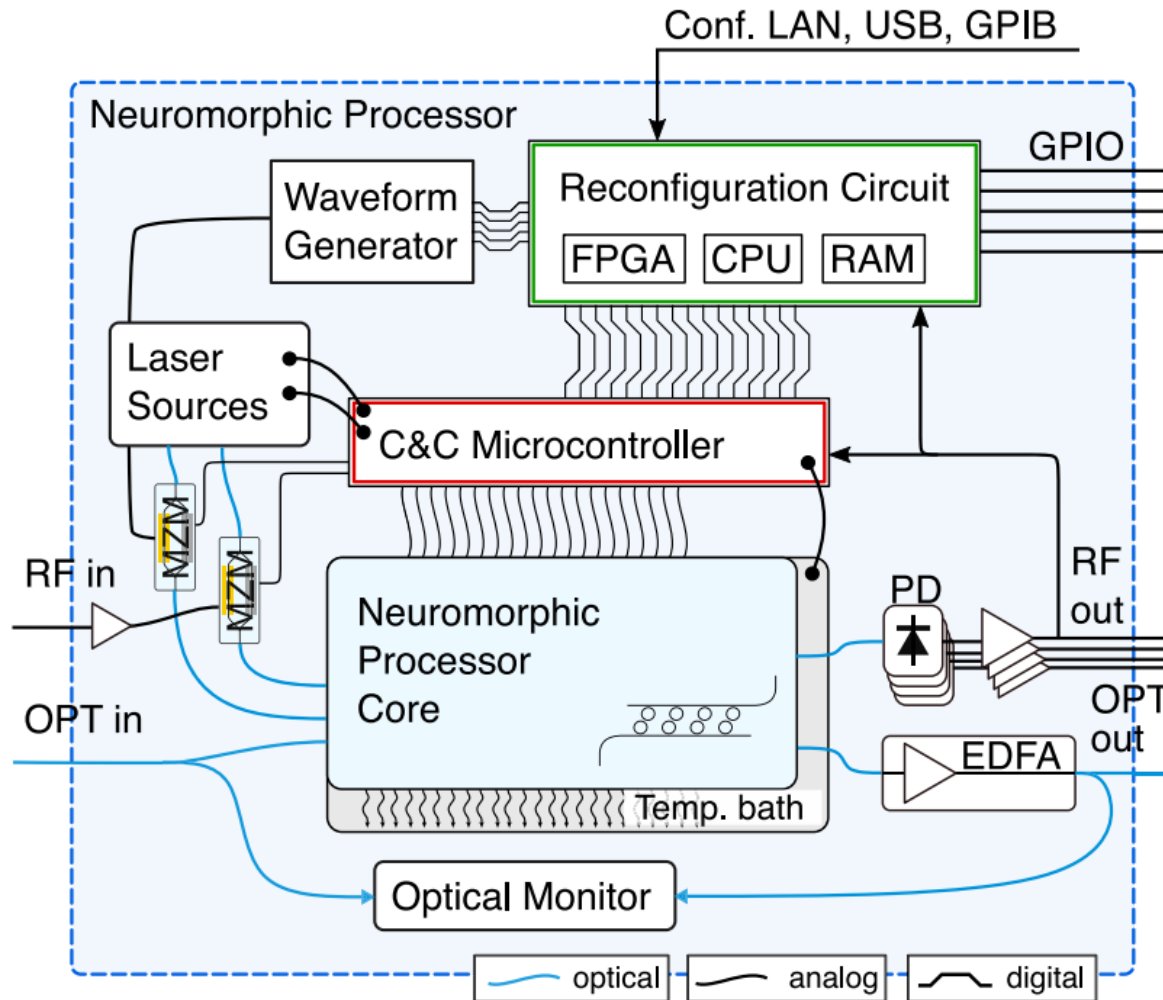
RCN states



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# Optoelectronic neural network



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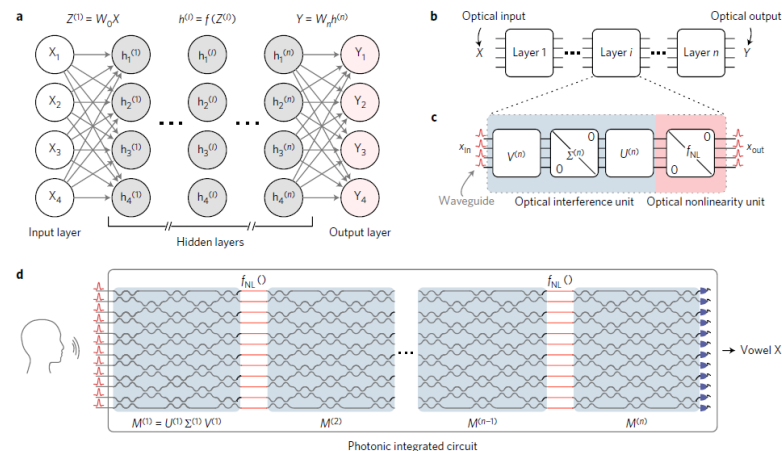
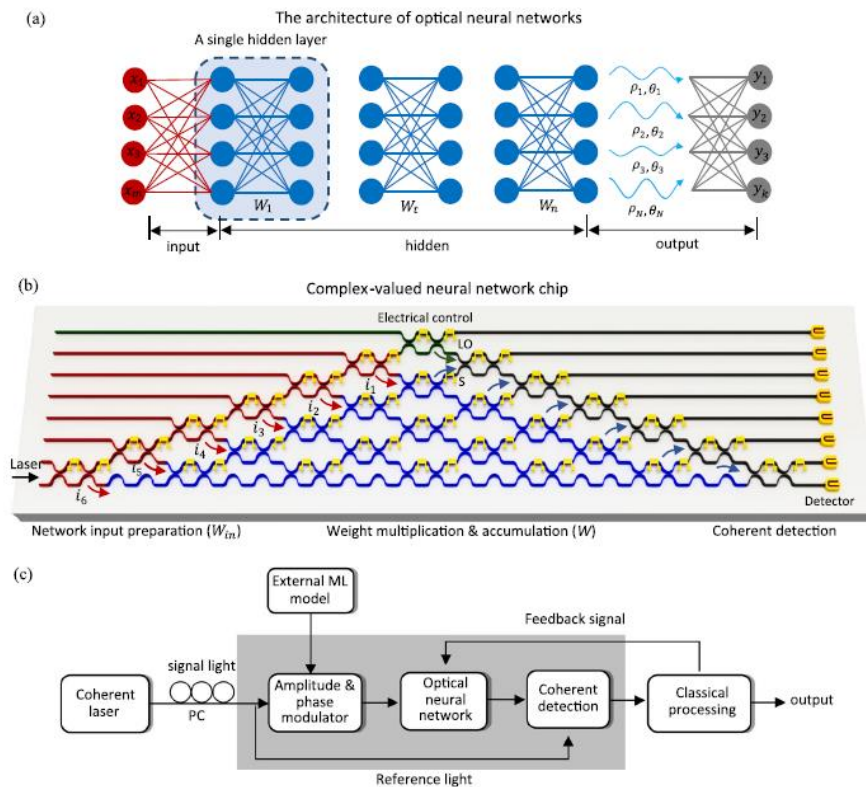
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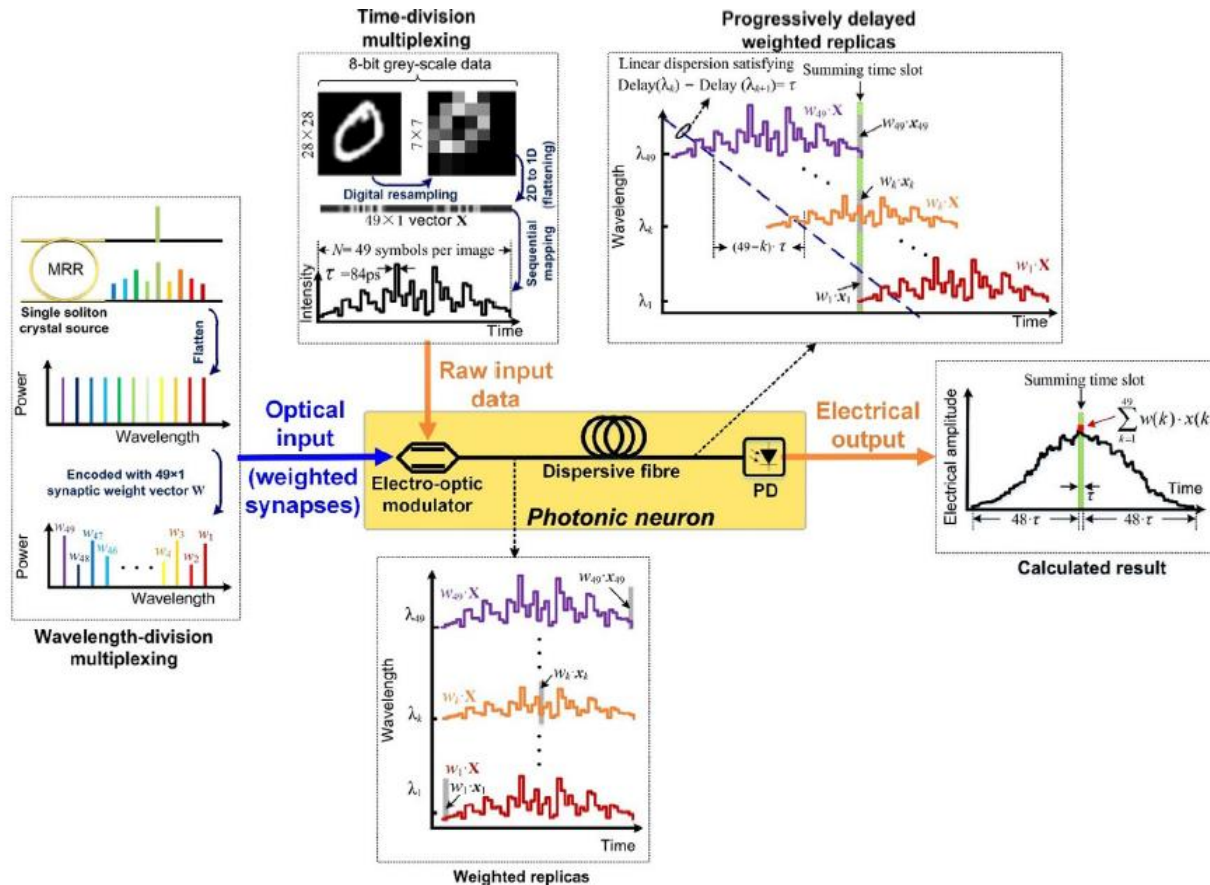
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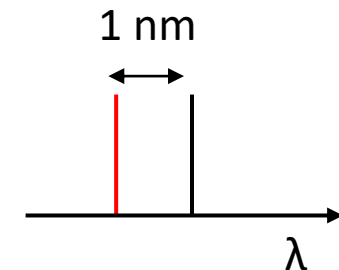
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Exploits WDM  
Fiber dispersion as delay line  
Fiber based



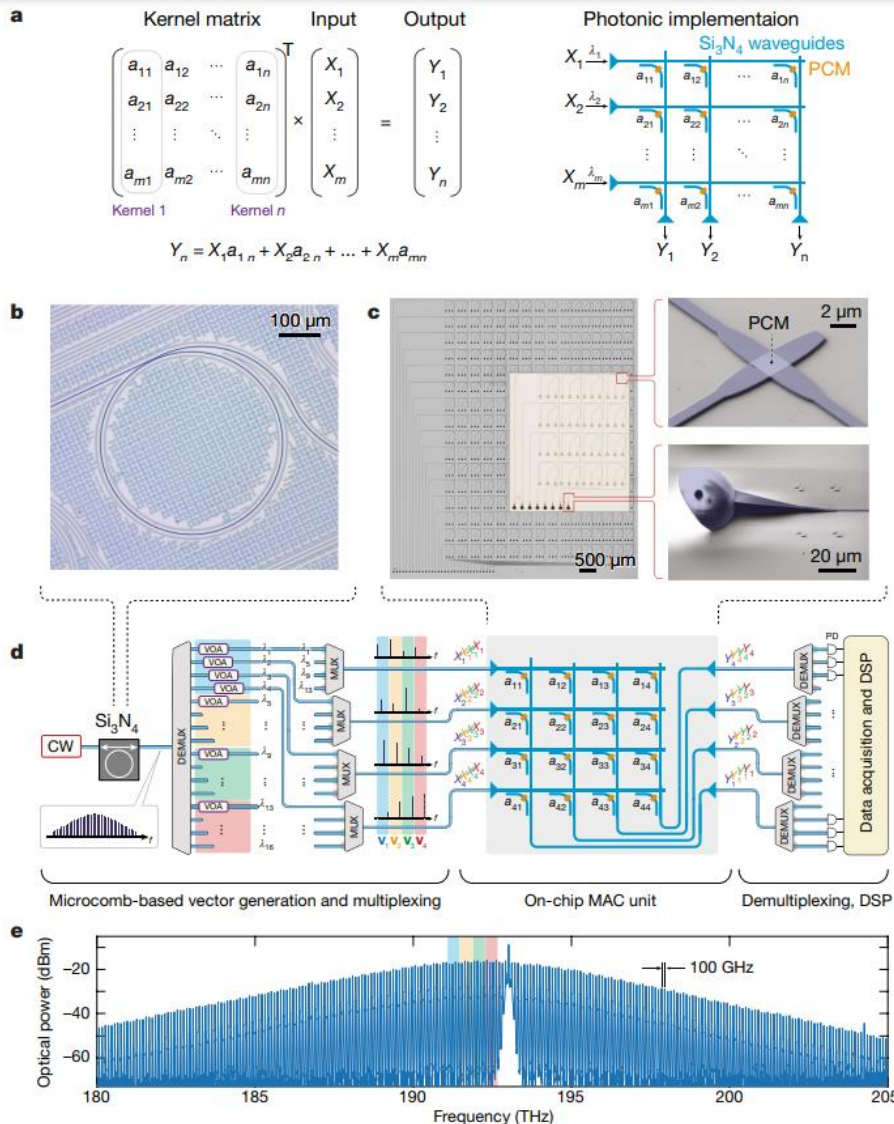
$$D \sim 17 \frac{\text{ps}}{\text{nm km}}$$



1 km  
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Delay of 17 ps

# Photonic FFN: phase change material

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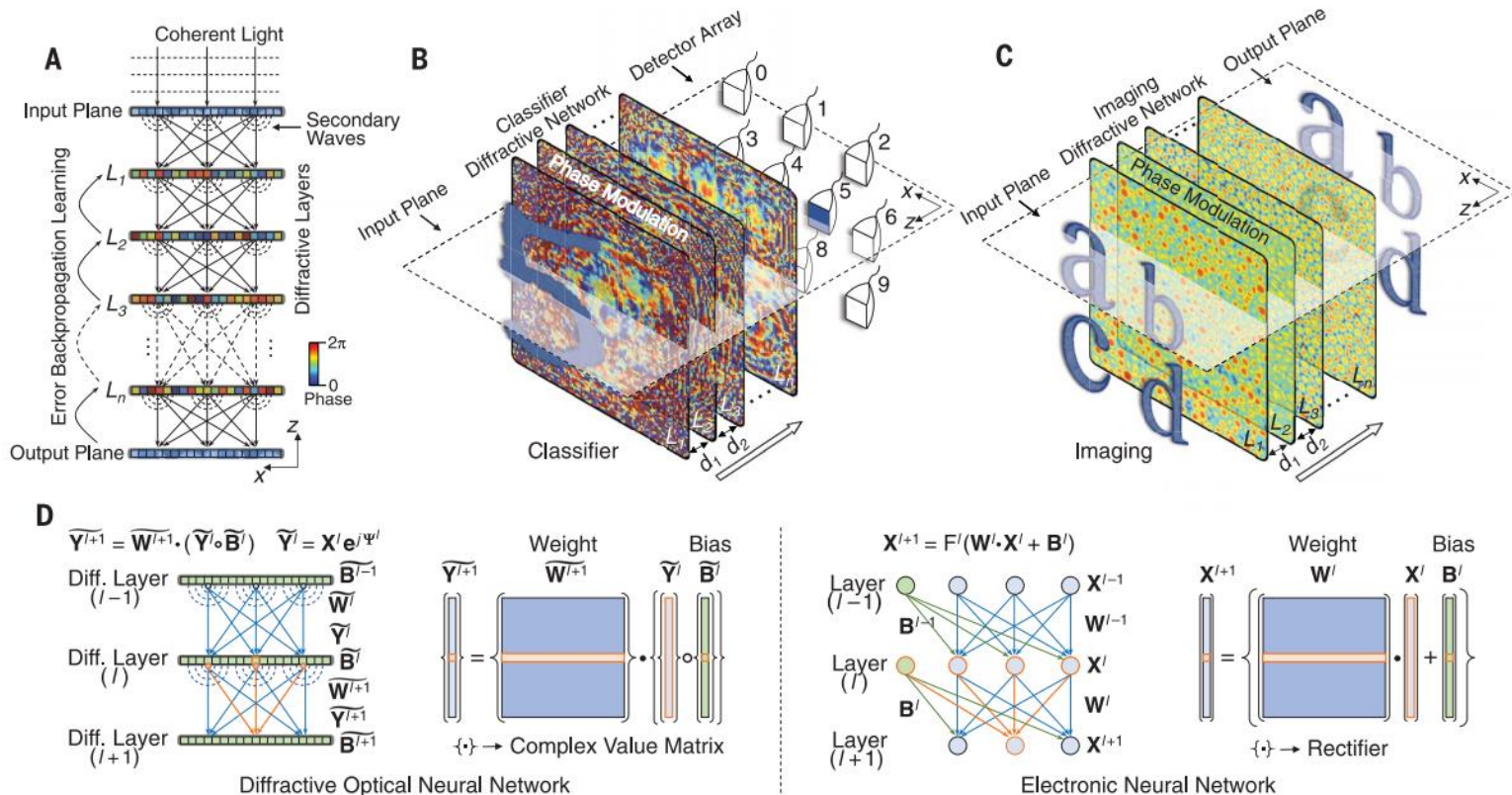
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Software base training  
3D printed phase mask  
Detection based non-linearity  
Free space

Neurons number  $0.4 \cdot 10^6$

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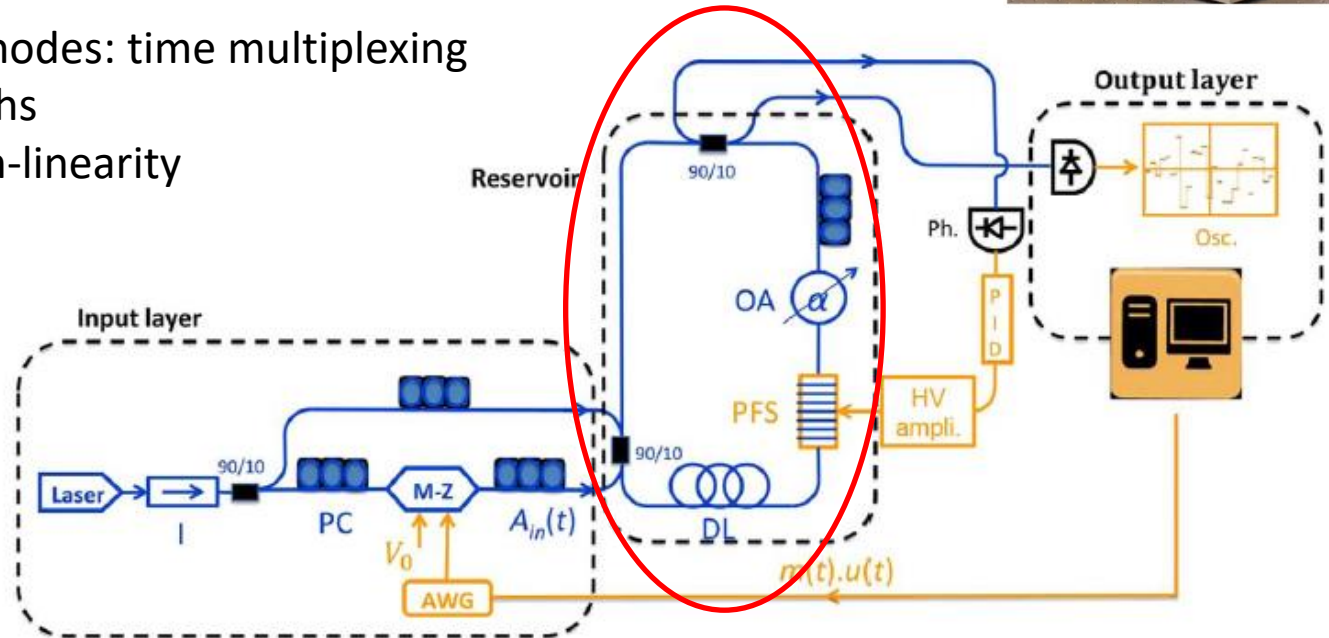
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Delay based virtual nodes: time multiplexing  
MZM to apply weights  
Detection based non-linearity  
Fiber based



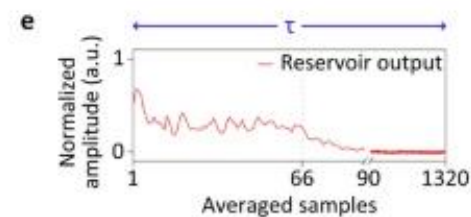
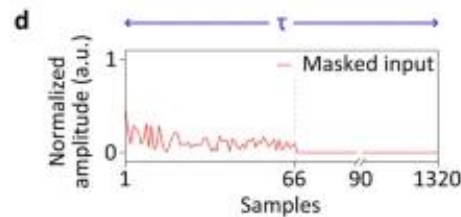
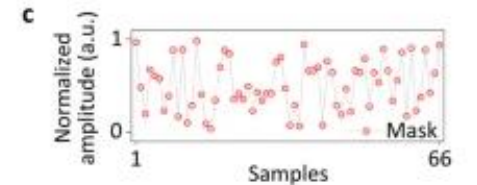
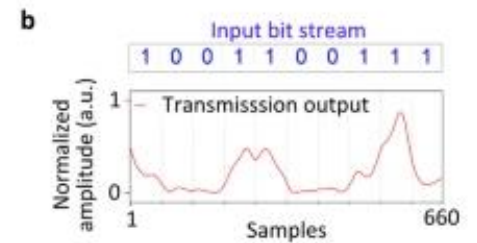
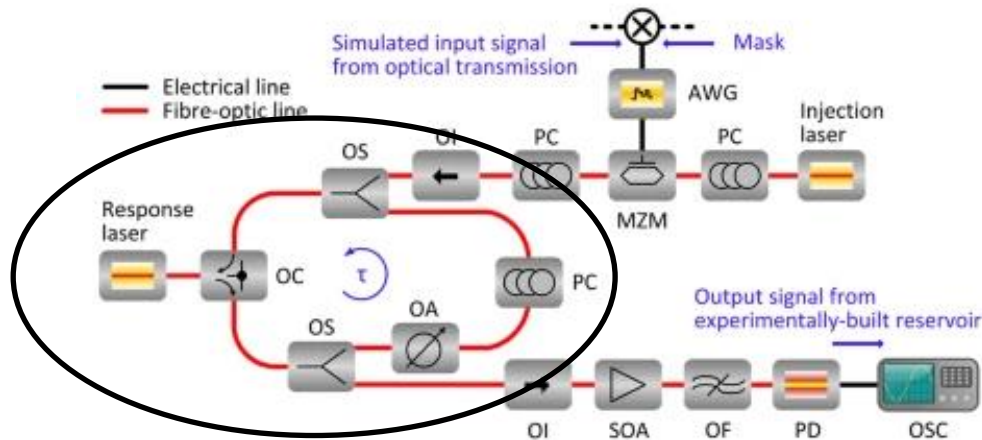
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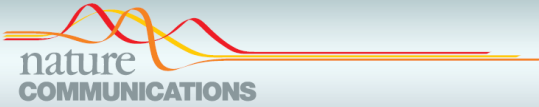
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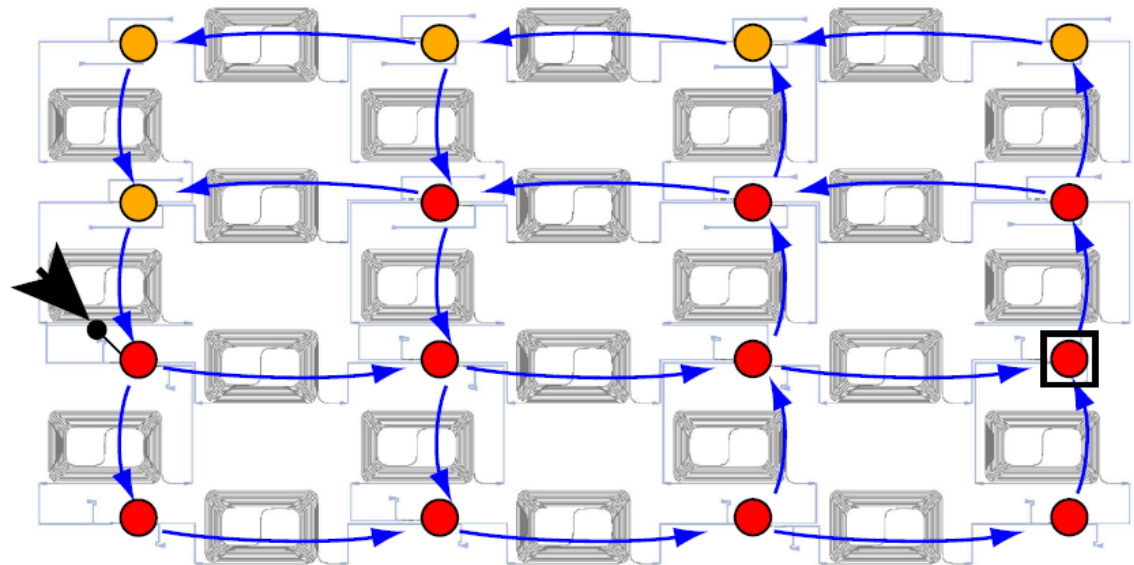
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## Experimental demonstration of reservoir computing on a silicon photonics chip

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Delay based nodes: spatial  
Random connections  
Detection based non-linearity  
Linear readout  
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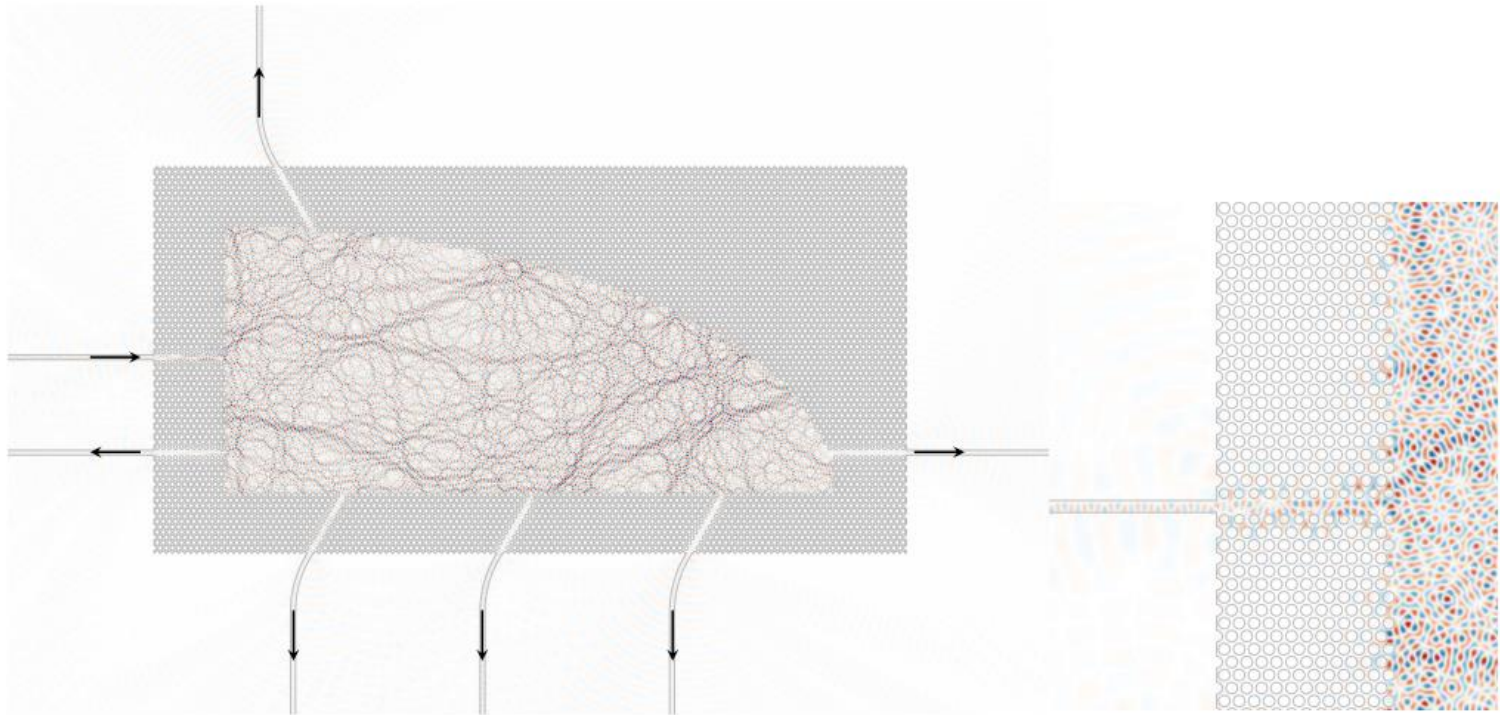
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Delay based nodes: multiple reflections  
Random connections  
Detection based non-linearity  
Linear readout  
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## Micro ring resonators as building blocks for an all-optical high-speed reservoir-computing bit-pattern-recognition system

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Theoretical investigation

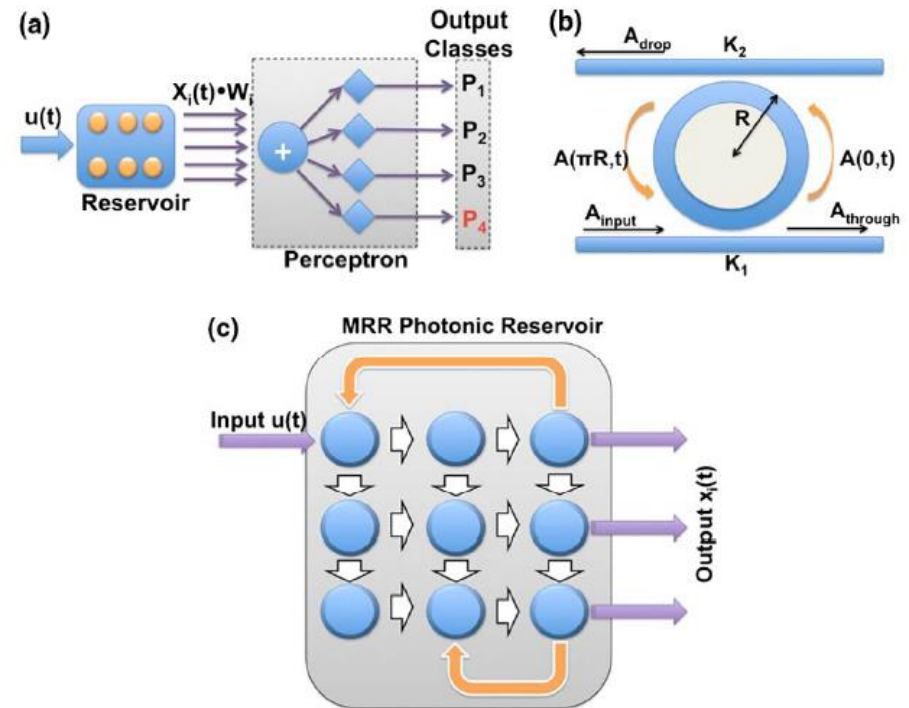
Microring nodes

Random connections

Non linear node: TPA and Kerr

Linear readout

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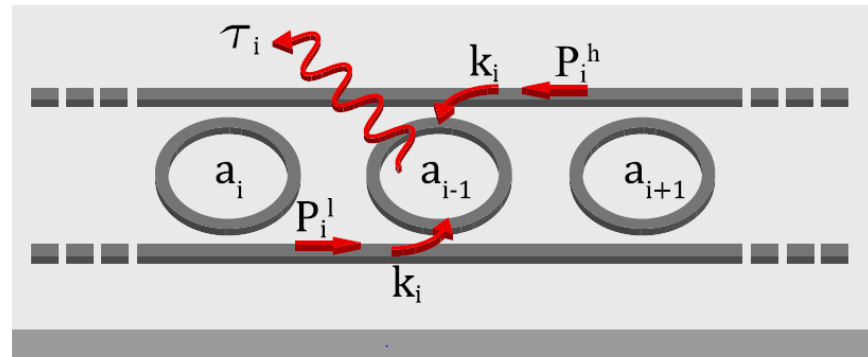
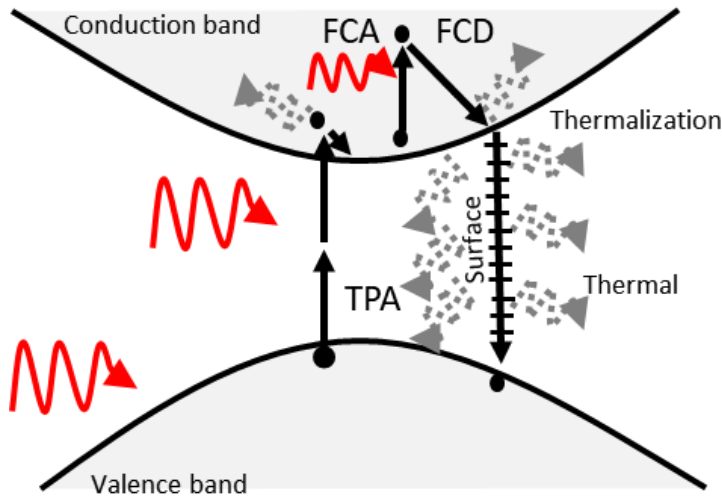
# Silicon platform non linearities

**TOE:** Thermo-optic effect  $\Delta n > 0$  **Red shift**, timescale  $\mu s$

**FCD:** Free carrier dispersion  $\Delta n < 0$  **Blue shift**, timescale ns

**TPA:** change in the cavity decay rate, almost instantaneous

**Kerr:**  $\Delta n > 0$  **Red shift**, almost instantaneous



Resonance shift

4 degrees of freedom

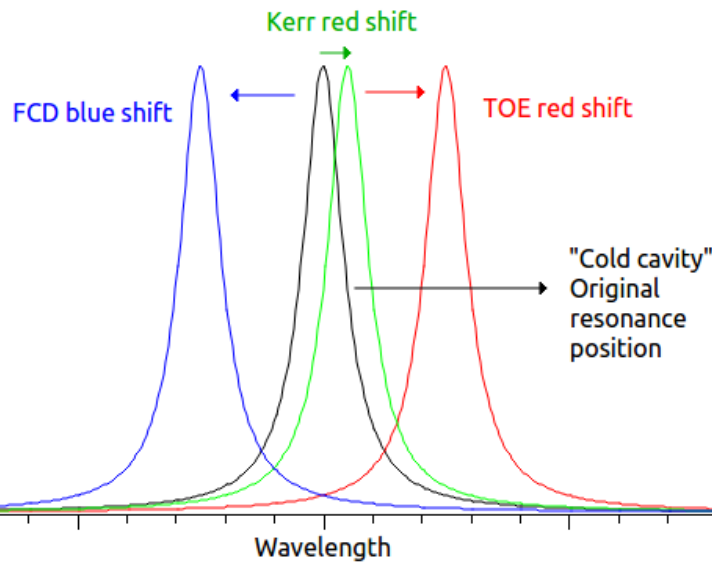
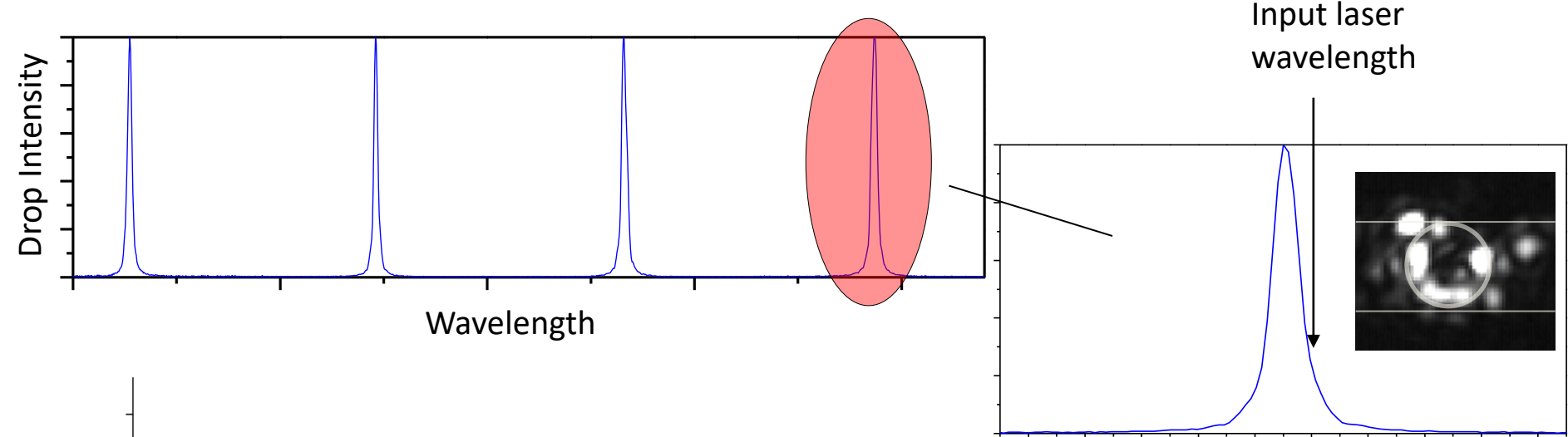
$$\frac{da_i(t)}{dt} = \left[ -j(\omega_p - \omega_{0i} (1 - \Delta\omega(\Delta T_i(t)) + \Delta\omega(\Delta N_i(t)))) - \frac{1}{\tau_i(a_i(t))} \right] a_i(t) + j\sqrt{k_i}(P_i^l(t) + P_i^h(t))$$

Decay time variations

$$\frac{d\Delta T_i(t)}{dt} = -\gamma_{fh}\Delta T_i(t) + P_{abs,i} (a_i(t)) \cdot \Delta N_i(t) \rightarrow |a_i|^4$$

$$\frac{d\Delta N_i(t)}{dt} = -\gamma_{fc}\Delta N_i(t) + G_{TPA,i} (a_i(t)) \rightarrow |a_i|^4$$

# Microrings non-linearity



$$\Delta\lambda_{TOE} \approx \lambda_{cold} \cdot \Gamma \frac{dn_{Si}}{dT} \Delta T$$

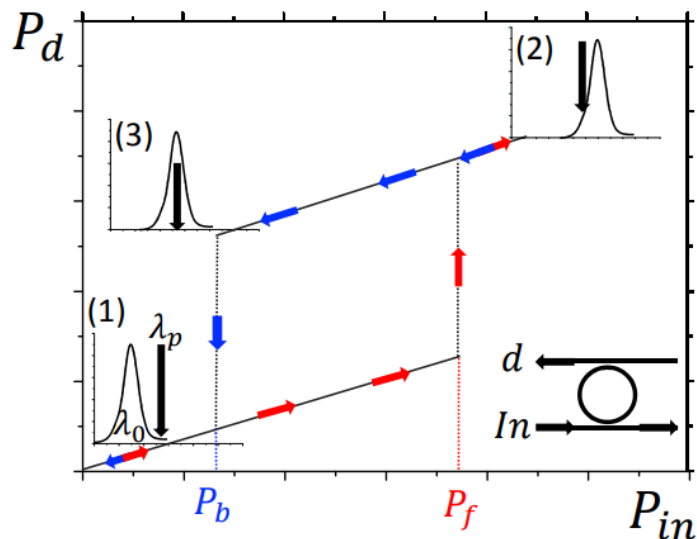
$$\Delta\lambda_{FCD} \approx \lambda_{cold} \cdot \Gamma \frac{dn_{Si}}{dN_{e,h}} \Delta N_{e,h}$$

FCD : Free Carrier Dispersion

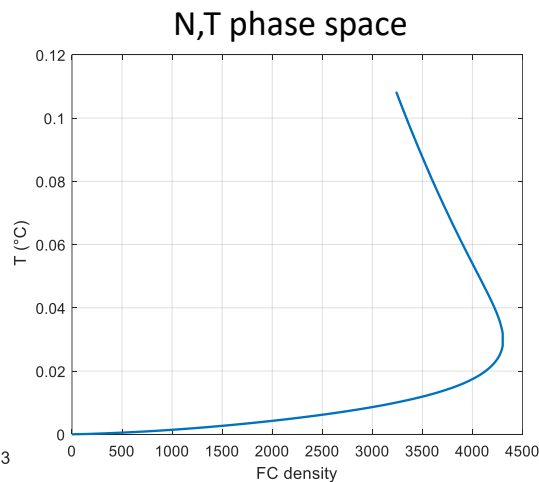
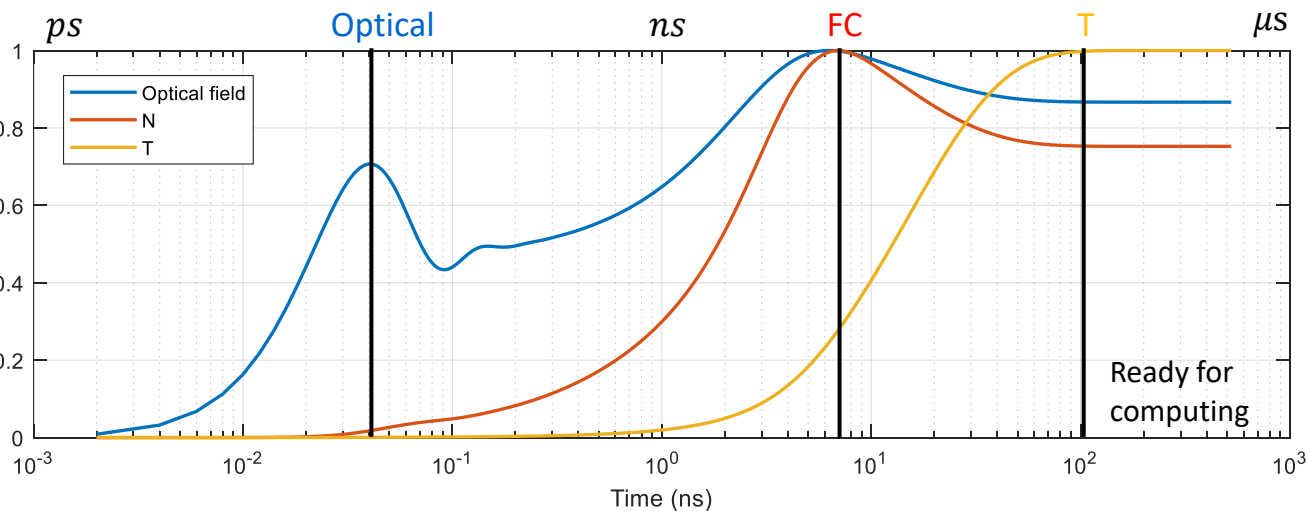
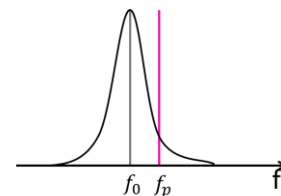
TOE : Thermo Optic Effect



# System dynamics: optical bistability



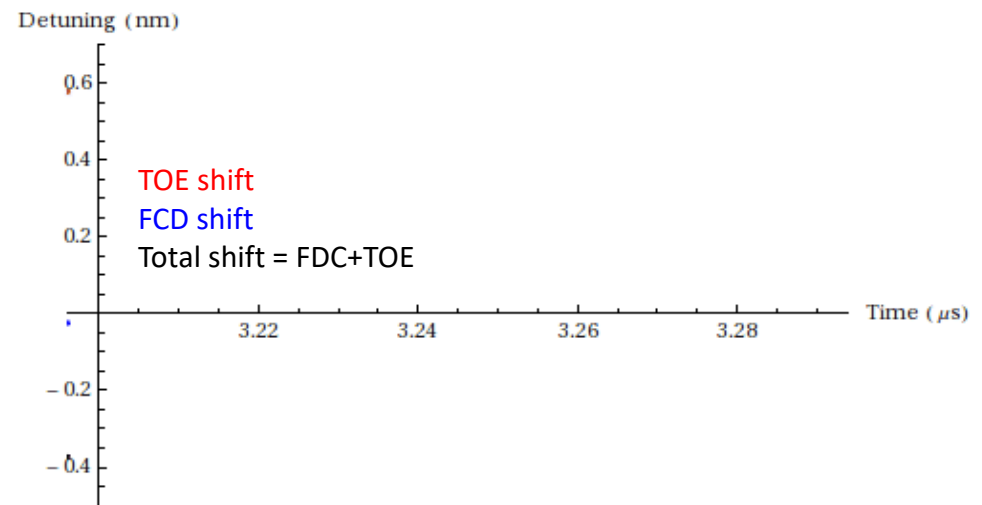
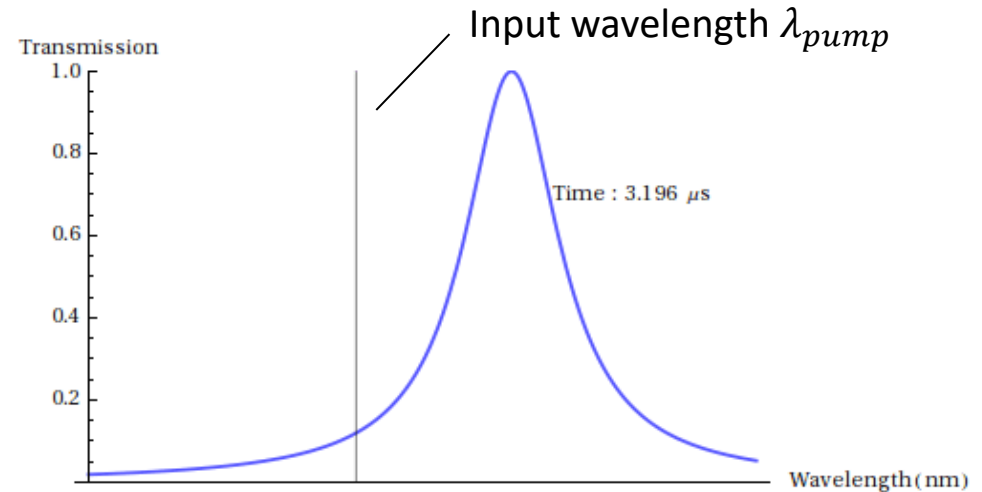
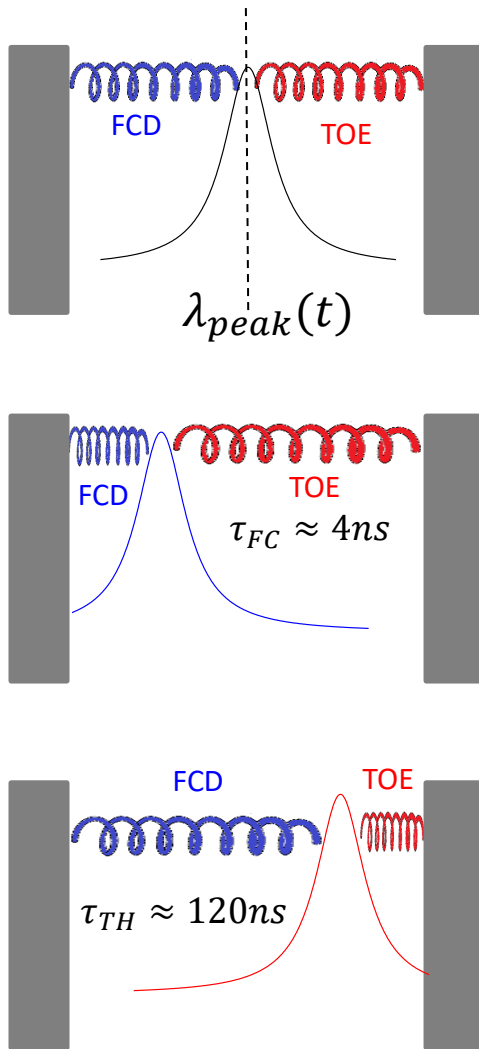
System dynamics spans over 3-4 order of magnitude



Input CW 5 mW,  $k^2 = 2\%$ ,  $df = +10$  GHz, D port

# Self induced intensity modulation

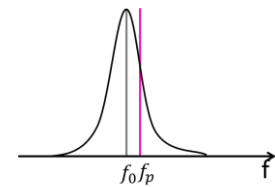
Competing resonance shifts act as springs that pull the resonance in the opposite directions



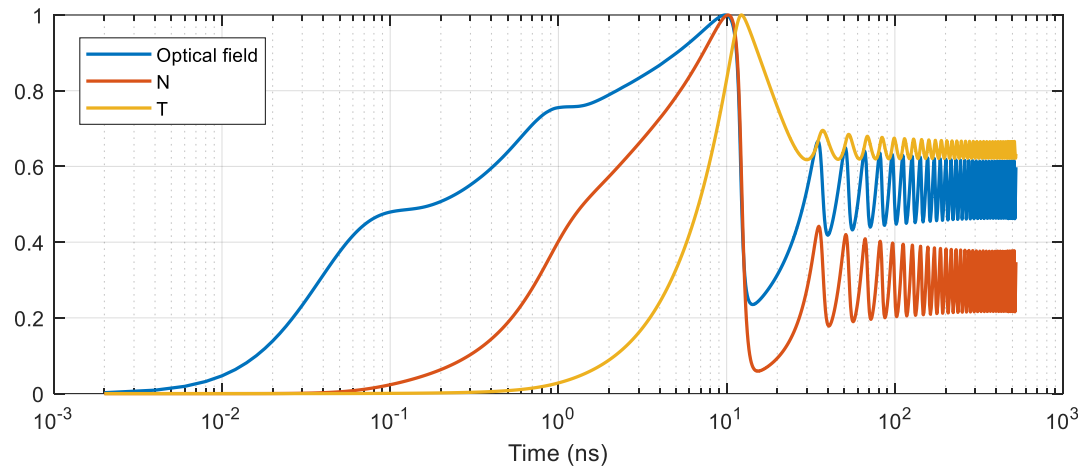
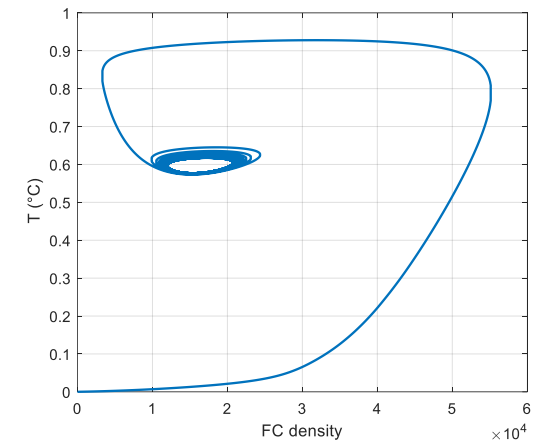
$$\text{Detuning} = \lambda_{peak}(t) - \lambda_{pump}$$

# System dynamics: stable points

## Self induced intensity modulation

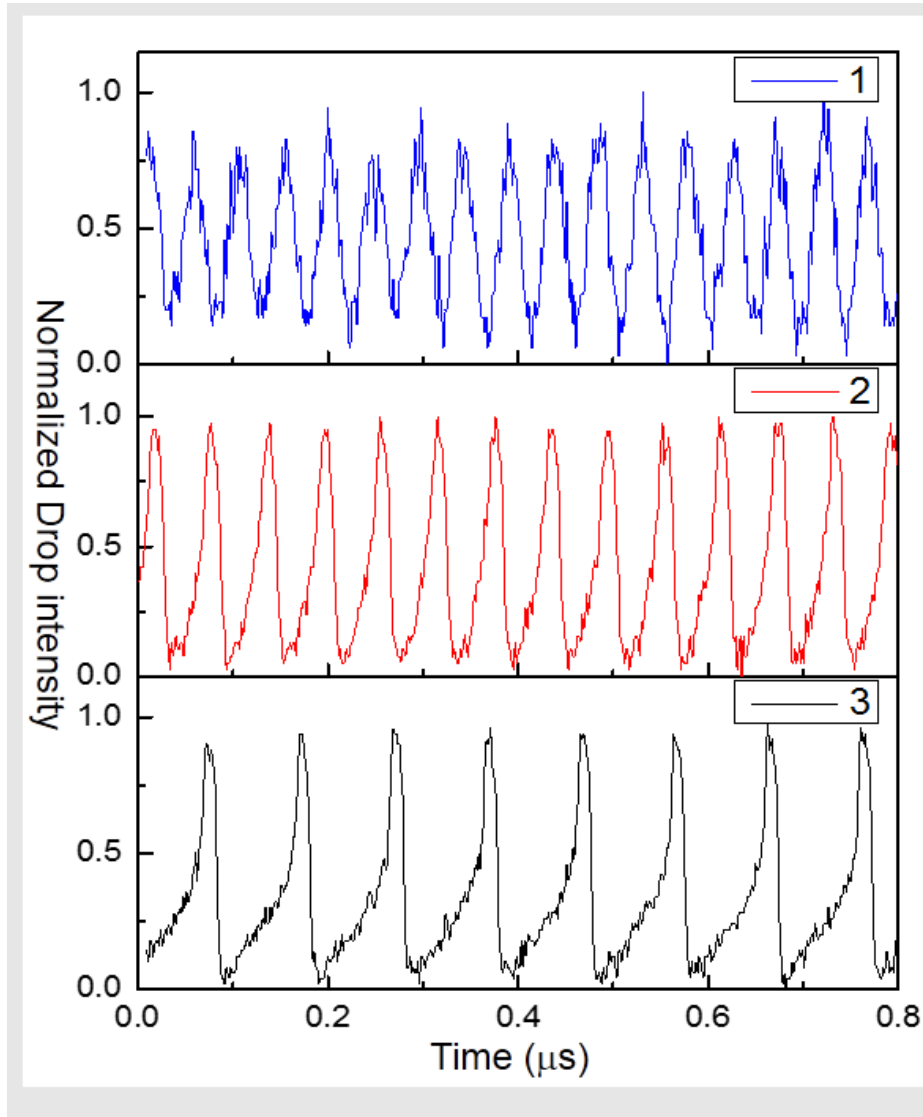


N,T phase space



Input CW 5 mW,  $k^2 = 2\%$ ,  $df = +3$  GHz, D port

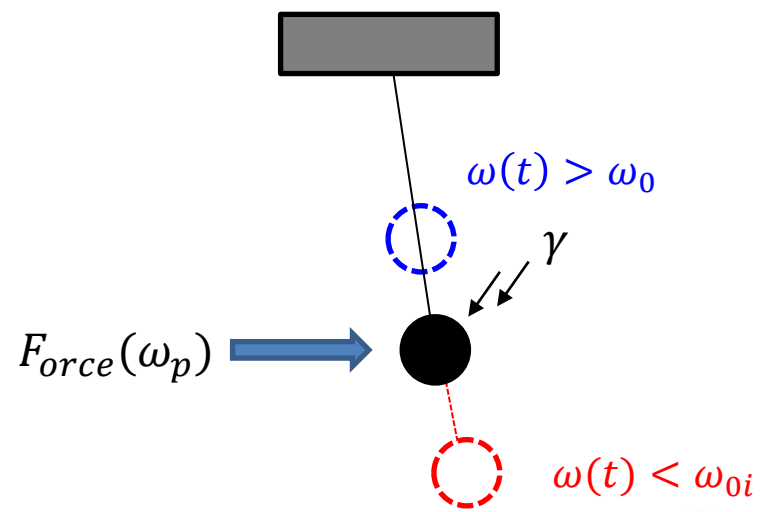
# Self induced intensity modulation



Pump scheme	Input wavelength	Input power (in wg)
1	1550 nm	2.3 mW
2	1550 nm	4.9 mW
3	1550 nm	6.0 mW

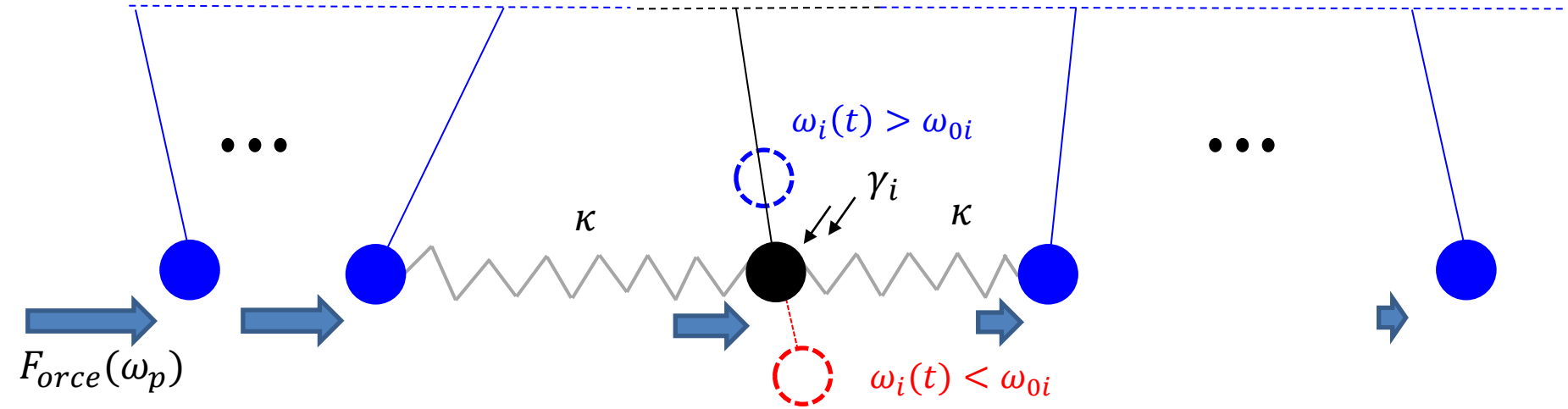
Low power resonance peak ( $\lambda_0$ ) : 1549.66nm  
Q factor  $\approx 10^5$

## Mechanical equivalent

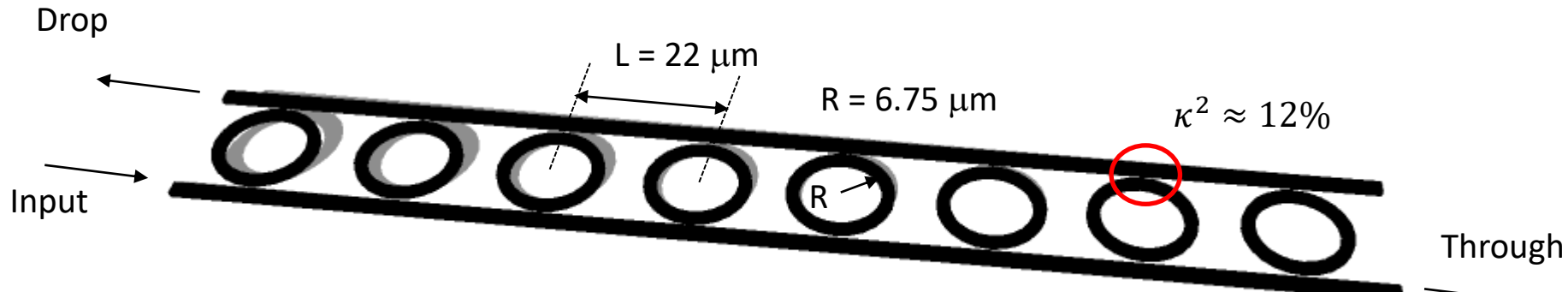




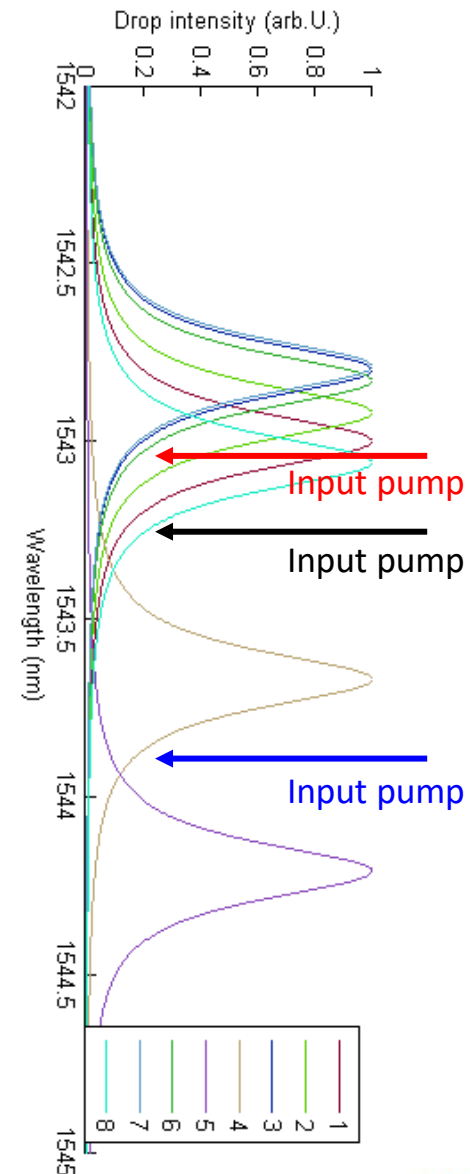
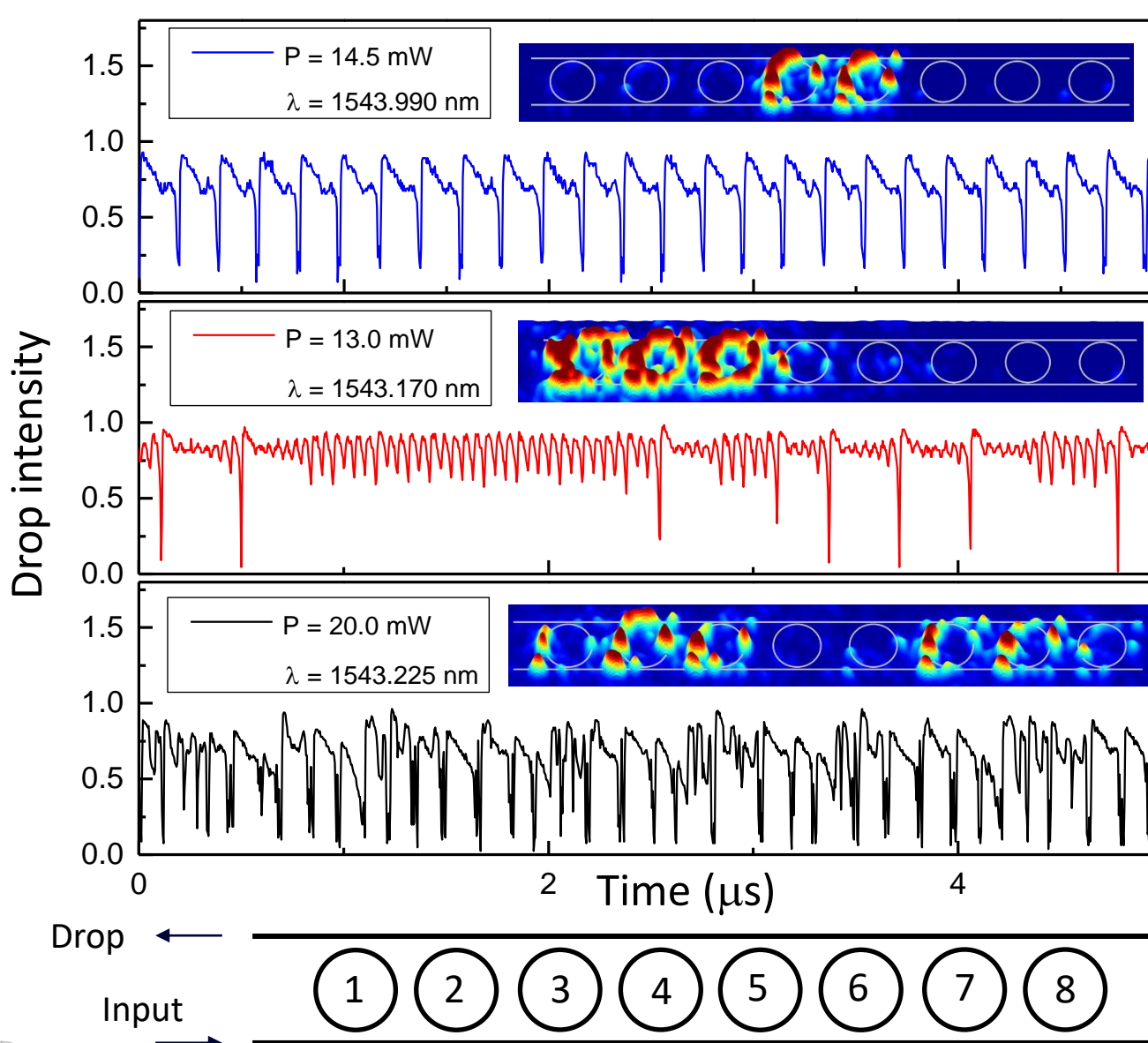
# Coupled resonators



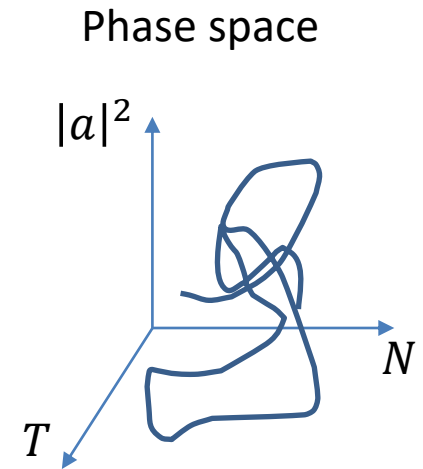
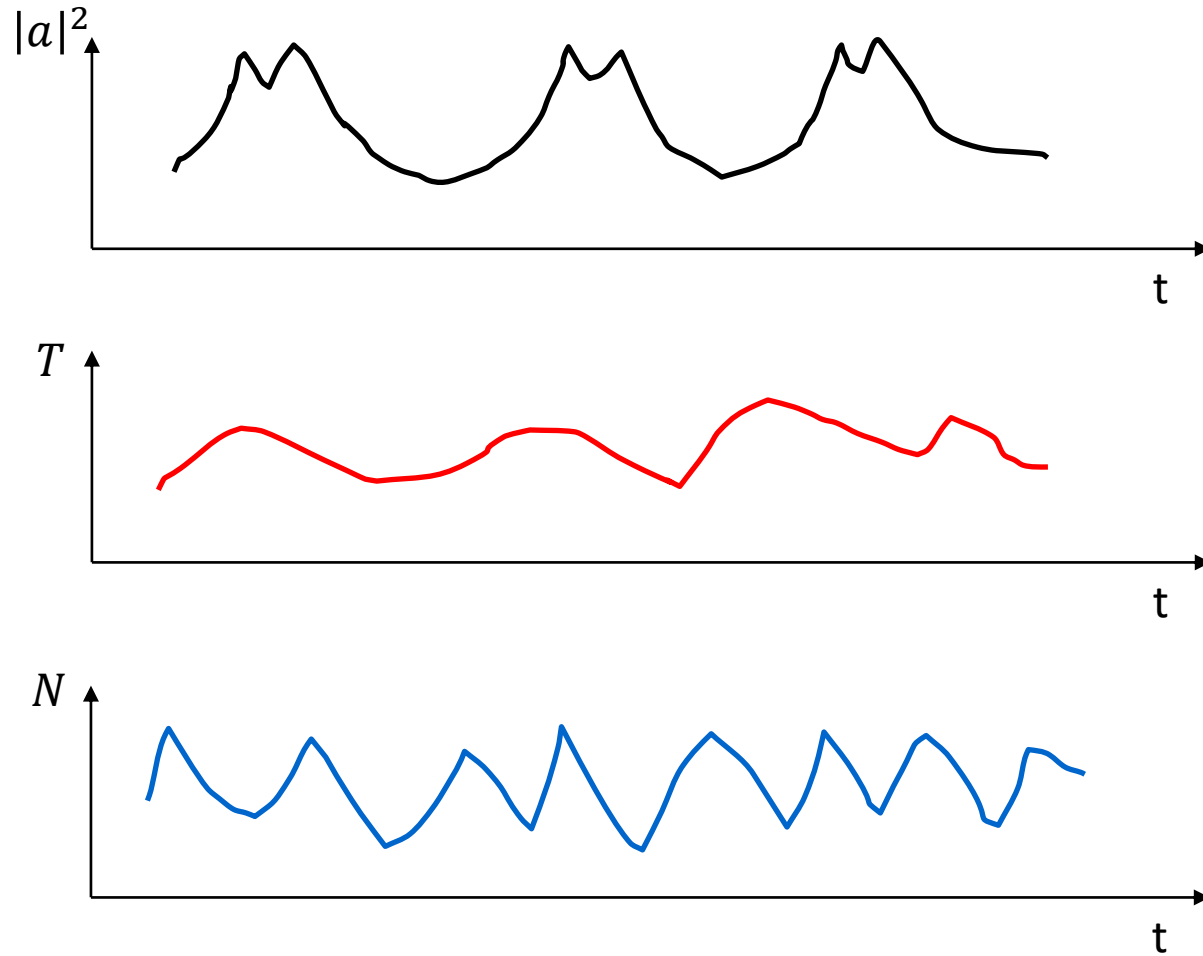
Side Coupled Integrated Spaced Sequence Of Resonators (SCISSOR) geometry



# Coupled resonators dynamics

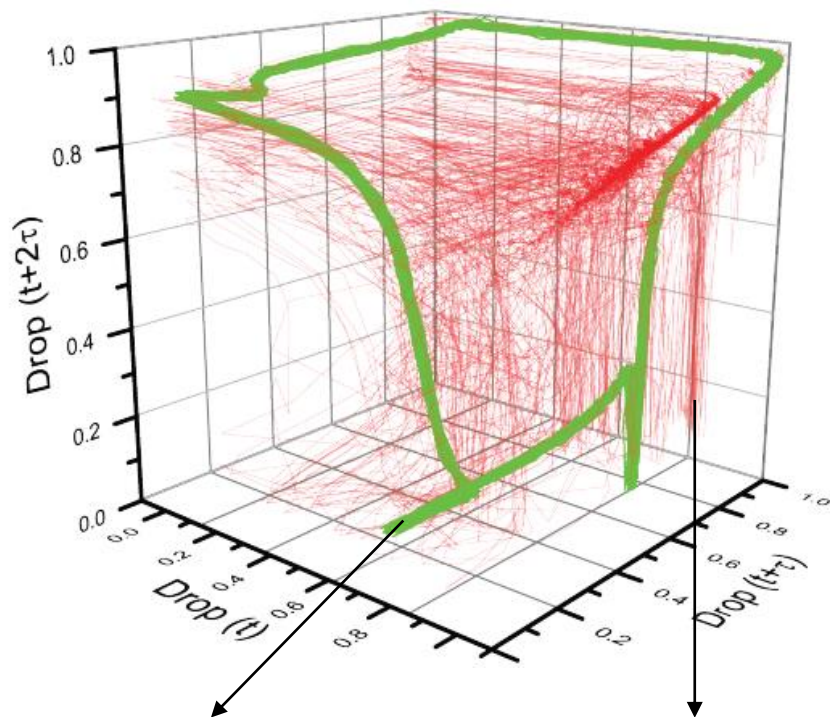


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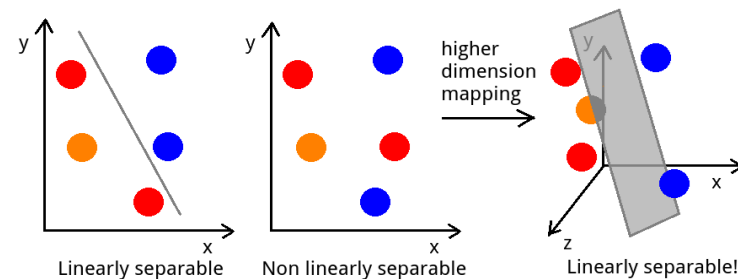


# Coupled cavities dynamics

Reconstructed phase space



- 8 cavities for a total of 32 degree of freedom
  - Complex field of 8 cavities: 16 degrees
  - Resonator temperature: 8
  - Resonator free-carrier-density: 8



Tomorrow Pt2:

Using this system as resevoir

