



# Métamatériaux à biréfringence extraordinaire pour le THz, le μonde et le visible

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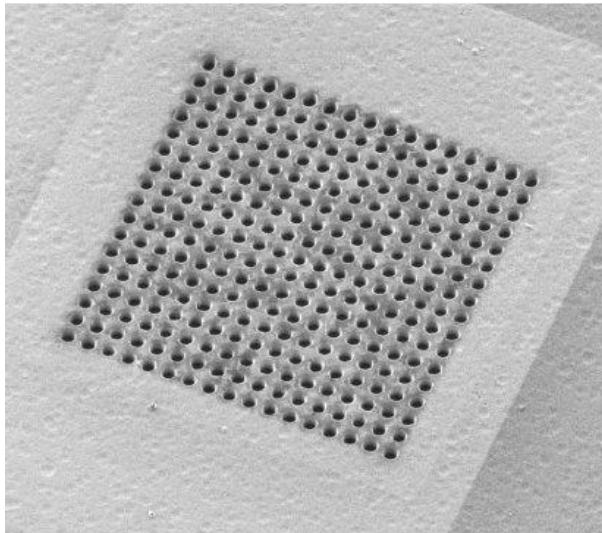
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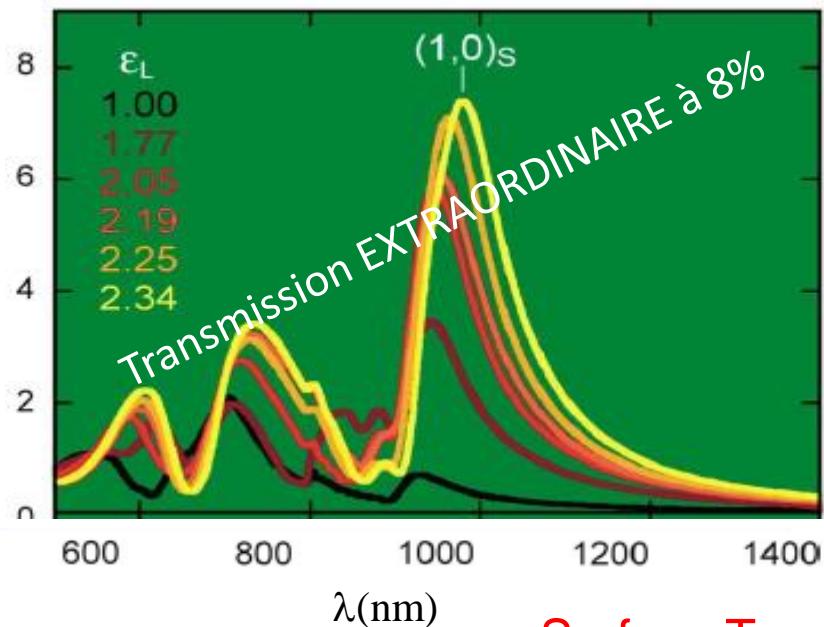
## Contexte:

### MÉTAMATÉRIAUX À TRANSMISSION EXTRAORDINAIRE

Réseaux d'ouvertures sub- $\lambda$  dans un écran opaque avec  
 transmission collective > somme des transmissions par chaque ouverture



Film en Or  
 Epaisseur : 250nm  
 Rayon : 100nm  
 Période : 600nm



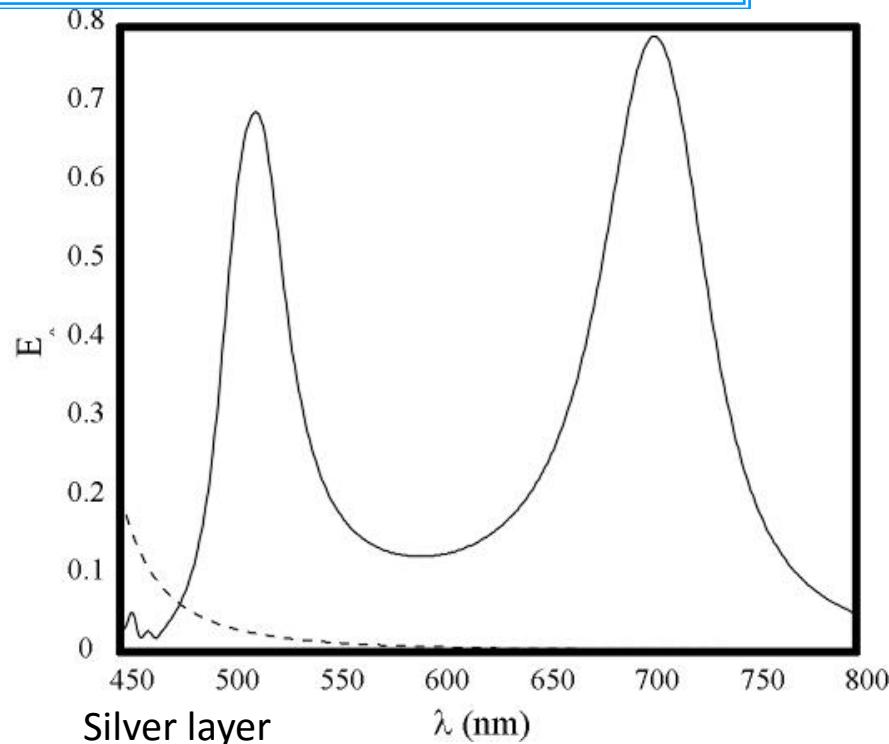
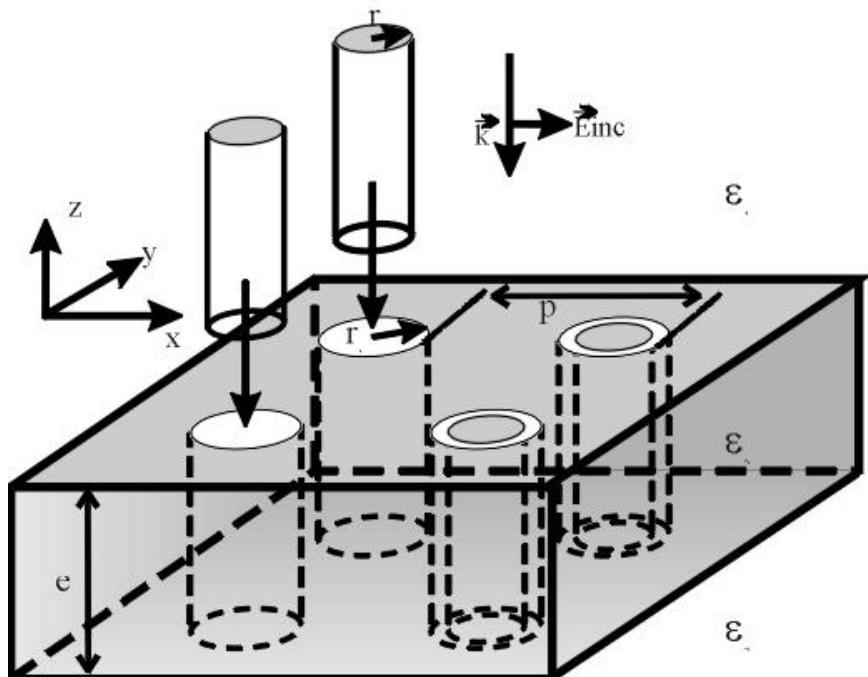
$$\frac{\text{Surface Trous}}{\text{Surface totale}} = 8\%$$

T. Ebbesen *et al*, Nature 391, 667-69 (1998)  
 Phys. Rev. + JOSA + OC + .....

# Ouvertures coaxiales!

Transmission by guided mode through the aperture

*Because coaxial waveguide has a guided mode (TEM mode) without cutoff*



Silver layer  
 Thickness : 150nm

Inner radius  $R_i = 50\text{nm}$

Outer radius  $R_o = 75\text{nm}$

Period : 300nm

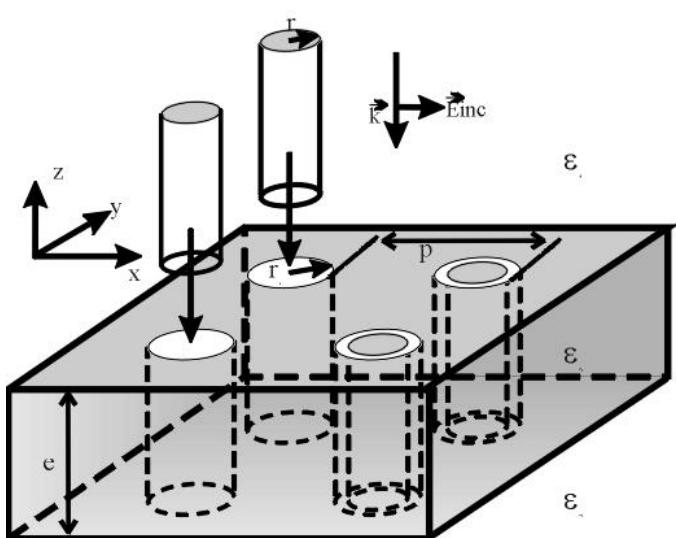
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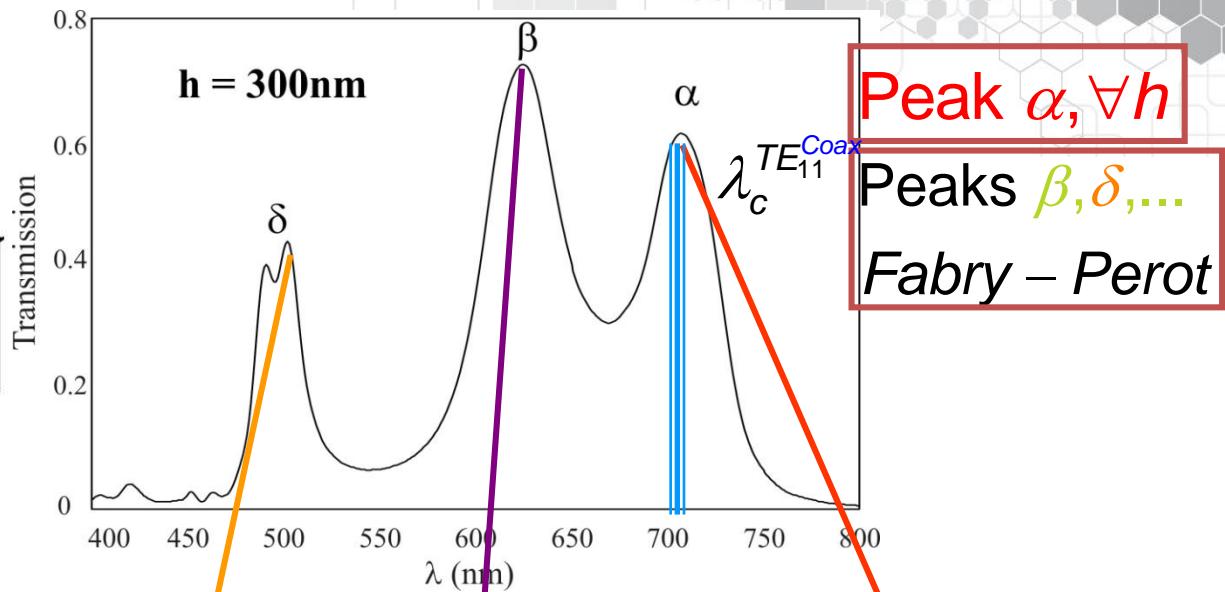
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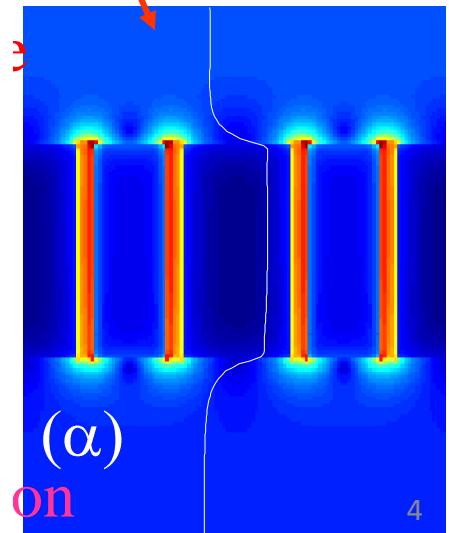


### Silver structure

$\epsilon_d = \epsilon_l = 1$   
 $a = 300 \text{ nm}$   
 $Re = 75 \text{ nm}$   
 $Ri = 50 \text{ nm}$

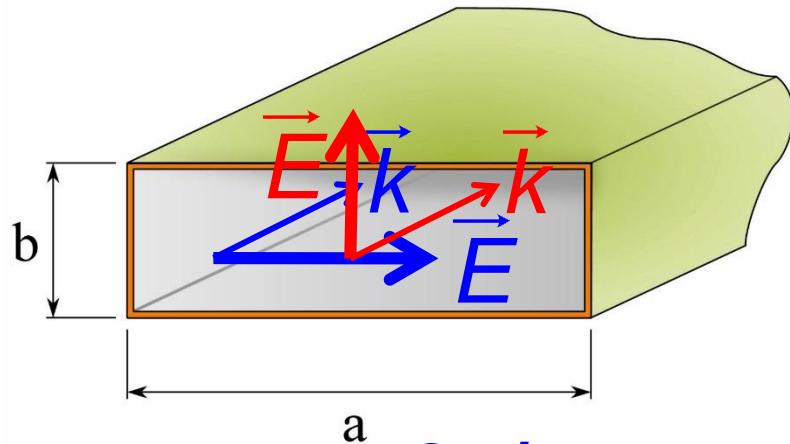


**Peak  $\alpha, \forall h$**   
**Peaks  $\beta, \delta, \dots$**   
**Fabry – Perot**



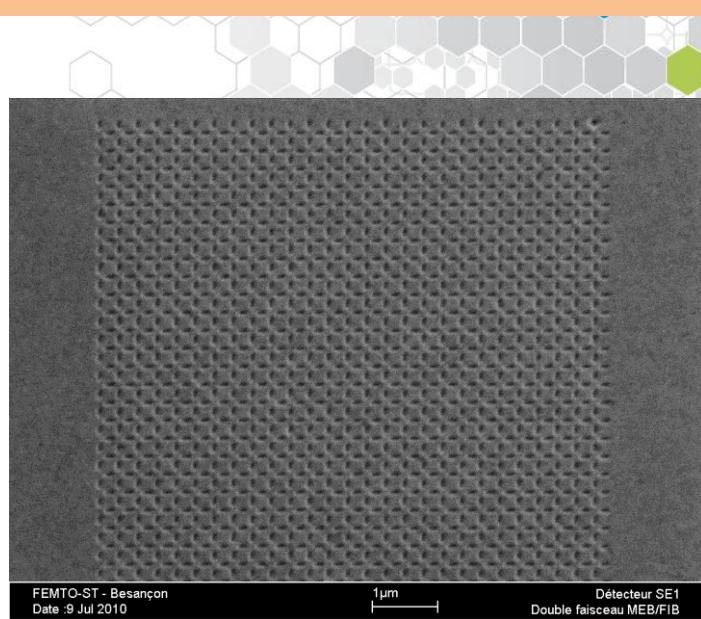
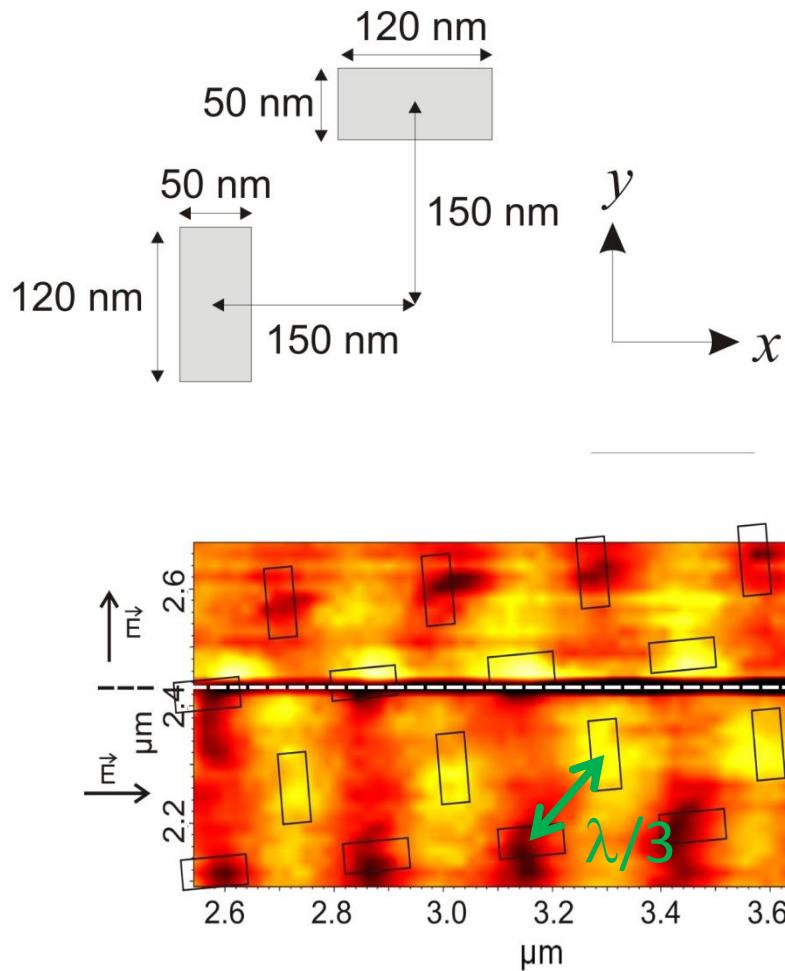
## Motivation: THz pas d'absorption

Thz and microwave metamaterials: anisotropic plates



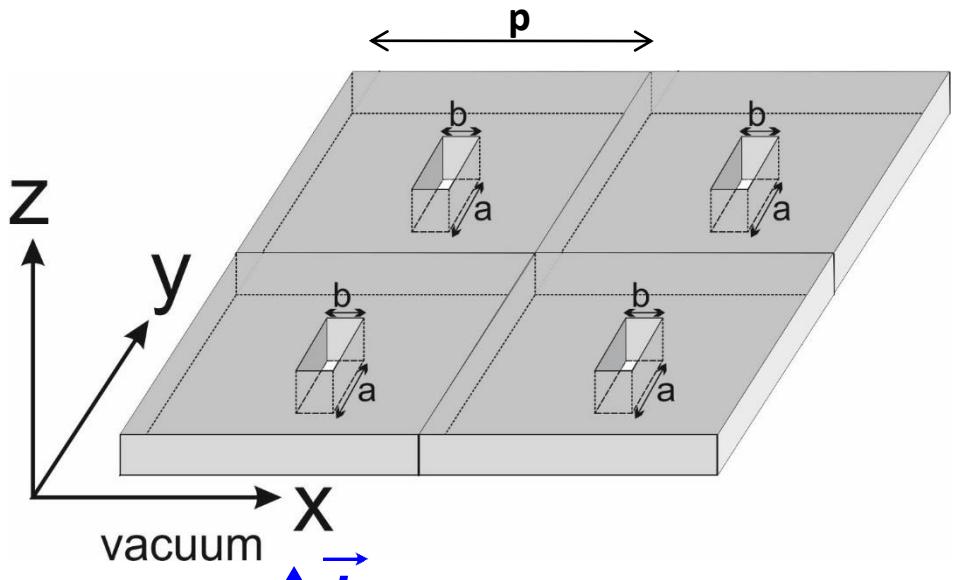
$$\lambda_c^{TM_{11}} \lambda_c^{TE_{10}} = \frac{2ab}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} > \lambda_c^{TM_{11}}$$

## Adressage sub- $\lambda$ (fab. & carac.)

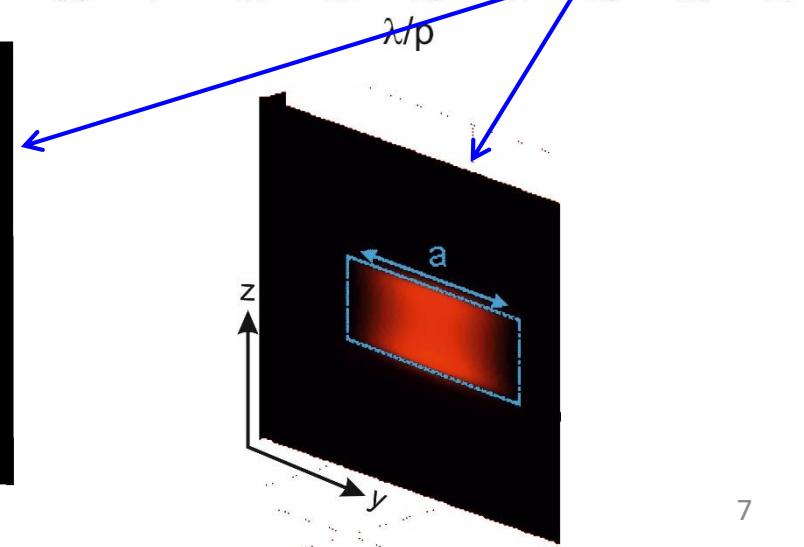
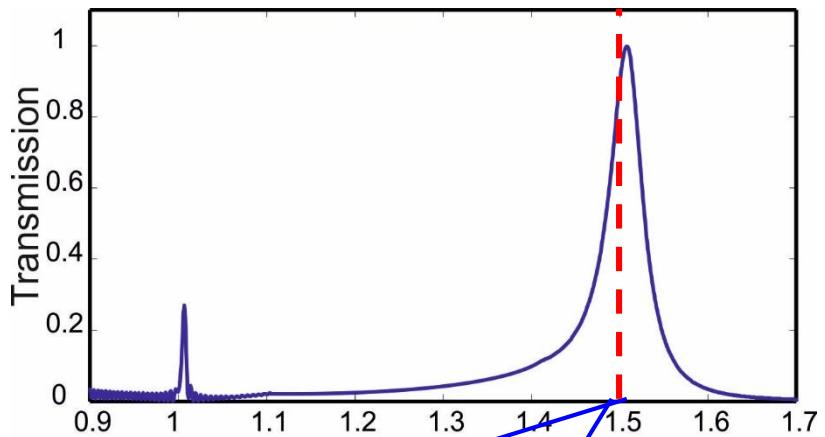
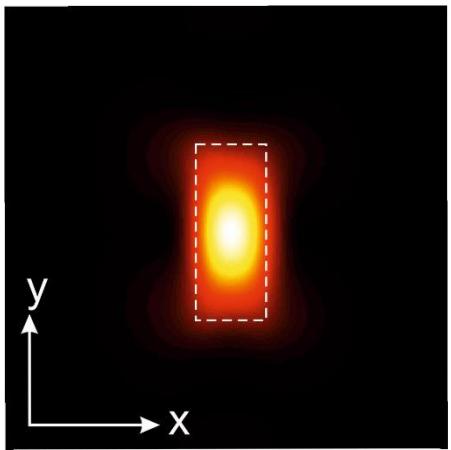


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## Lames polarisantes

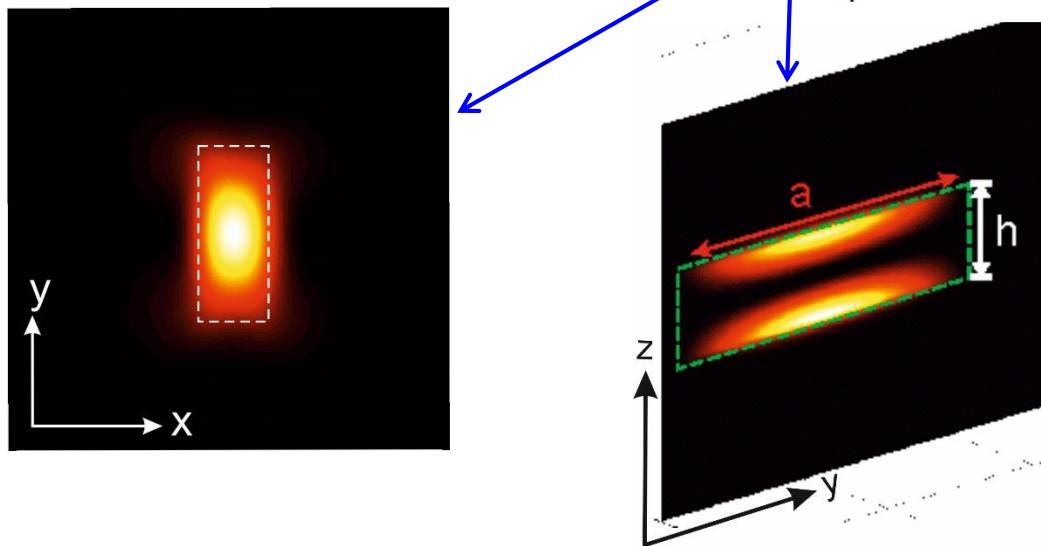
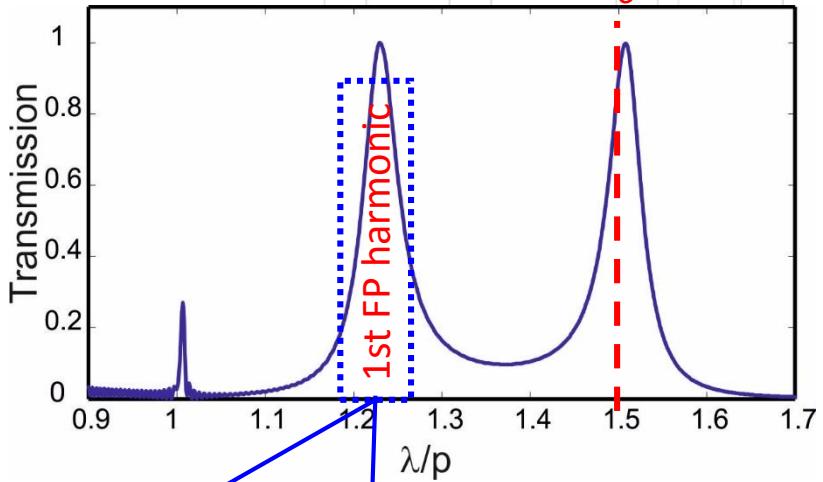


$$\vec{k} \quad \vec{E}$$

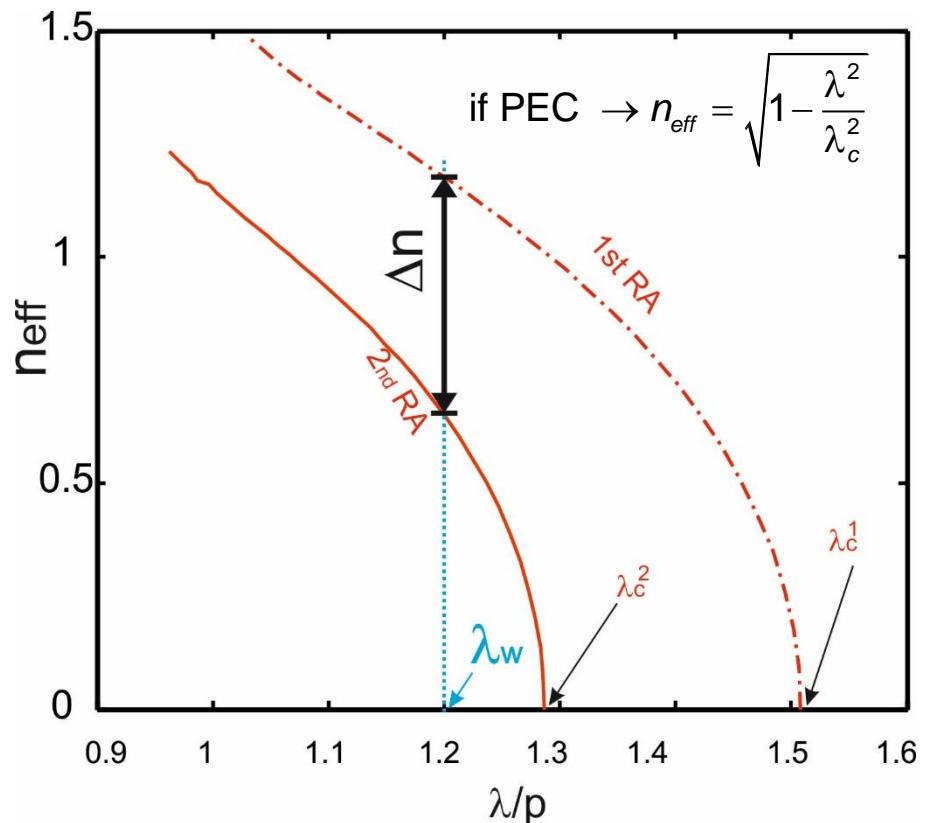
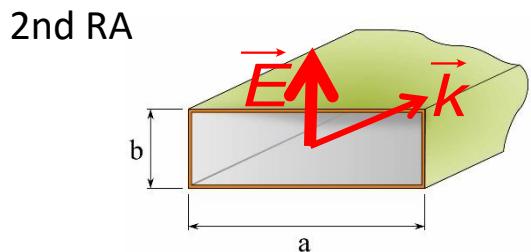
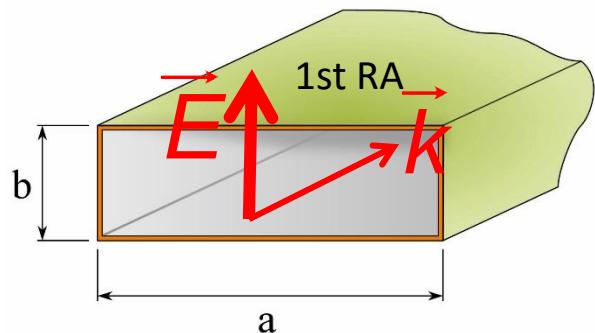


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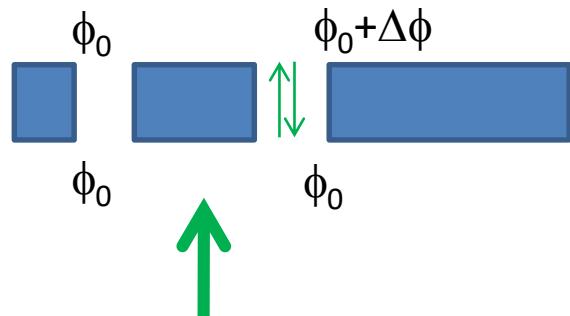
Thicker plate:  $h \nearrow$



## Anisotropie artificielle

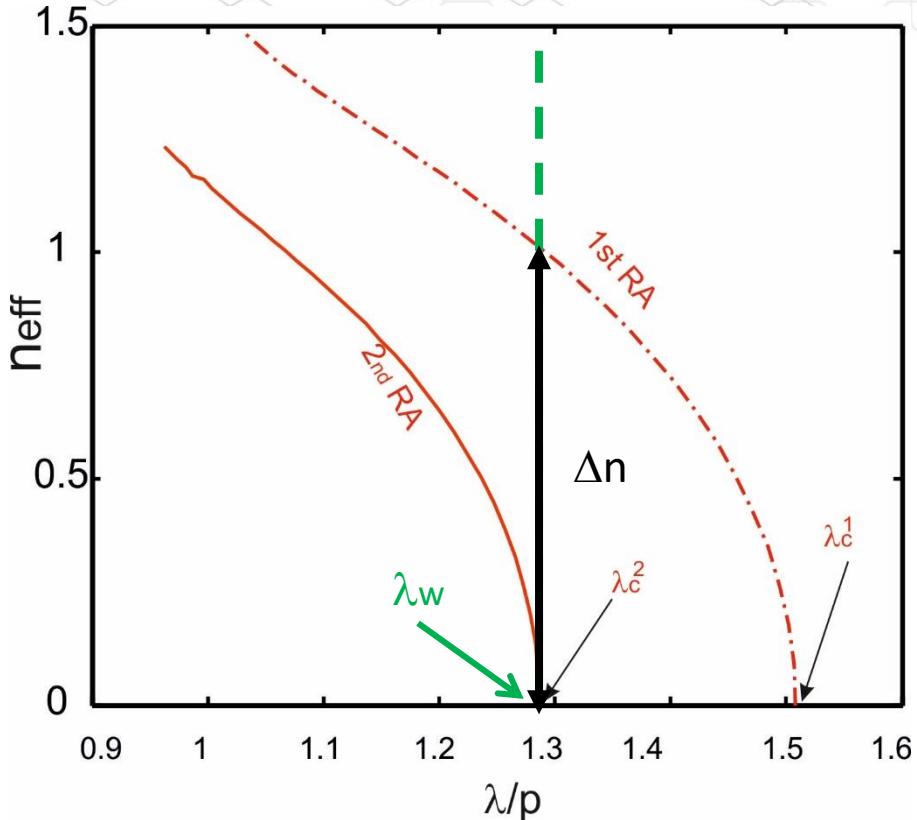


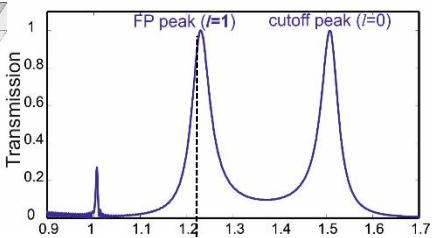
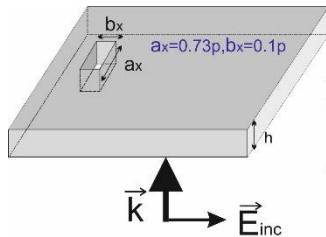
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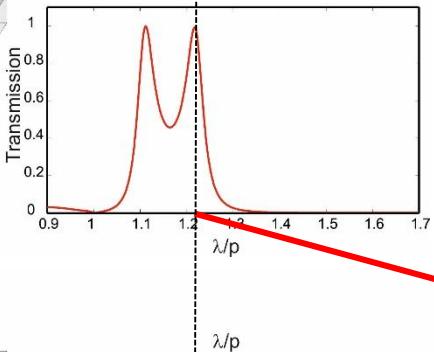
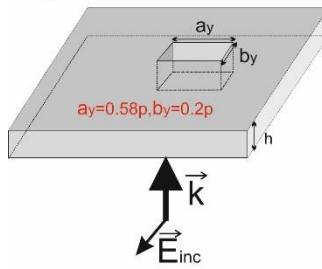
$\text{if } \lambda_w = \lambda_c^2 \rightarrow$  efficient transmission  
 through the small aperture +  $\Delta n$  is max  
 + efficient transmission  
 through the large aperture →  
 FP harmonic at  $\lambda_w$

$$\Delta\phi = \frac{2\pi h \Delta n}{\lambda_w} = \pi$$

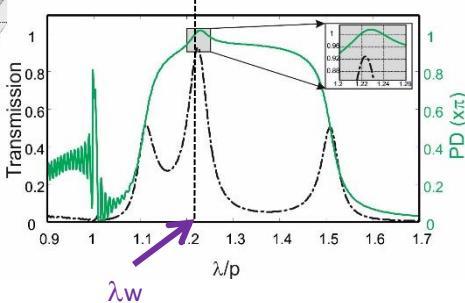
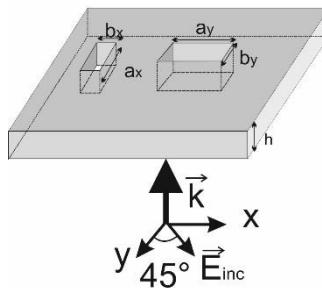




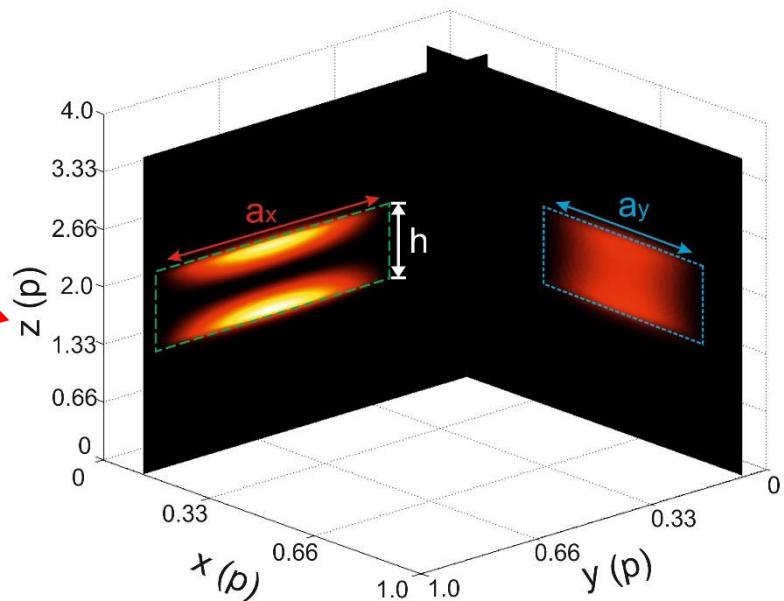
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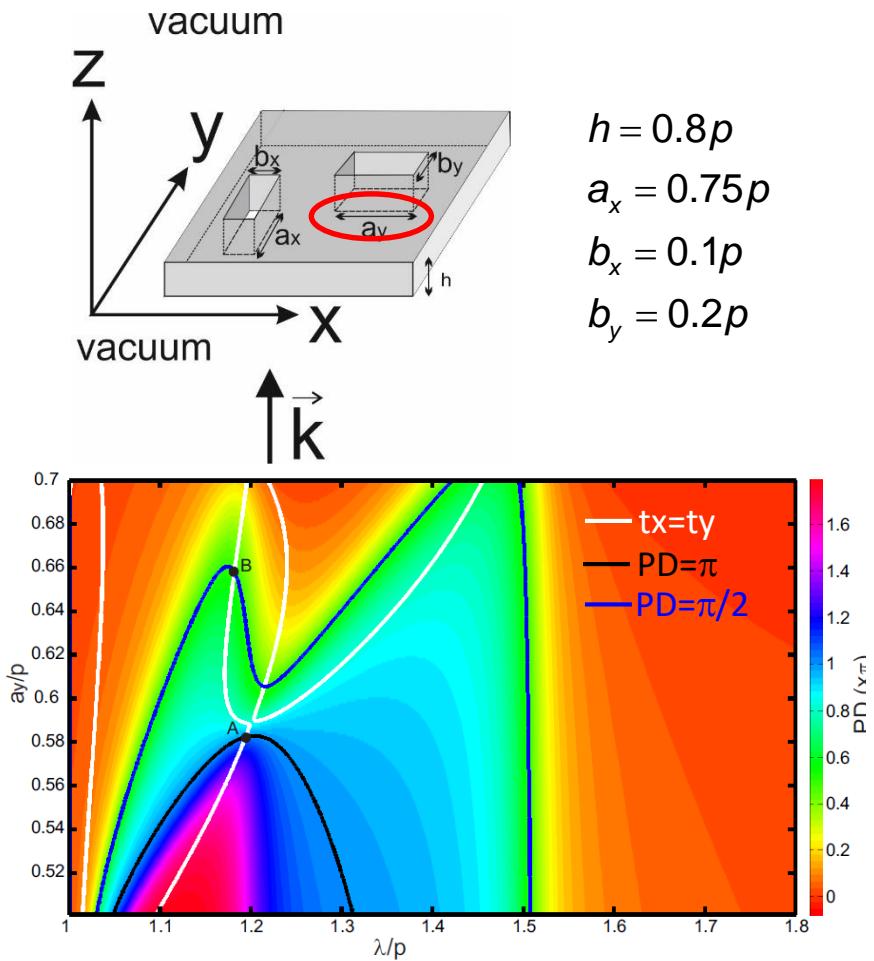
half-wave plate with 92% transmission &  $\Delta n=0.76$



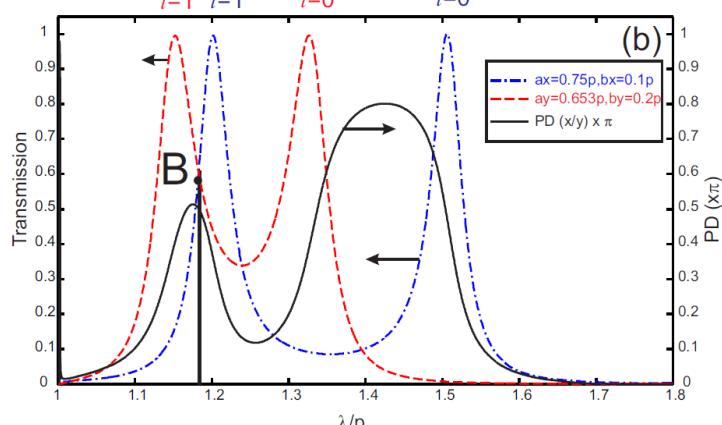
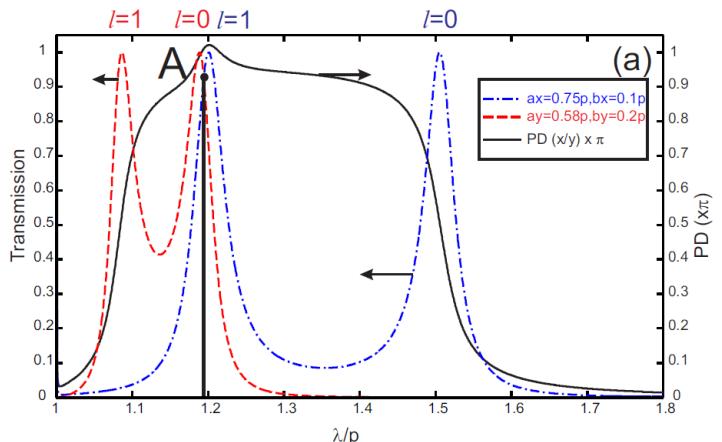
How to build quarter-wave plates ?



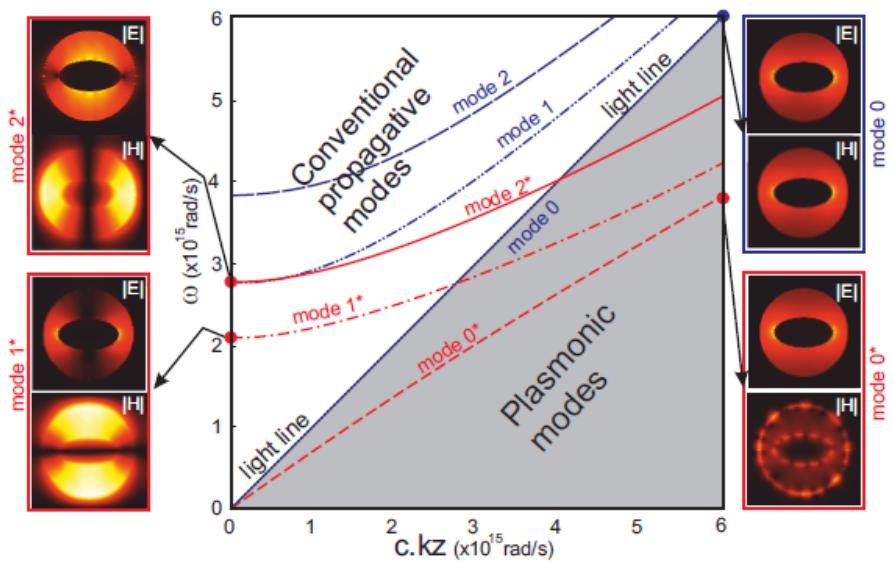
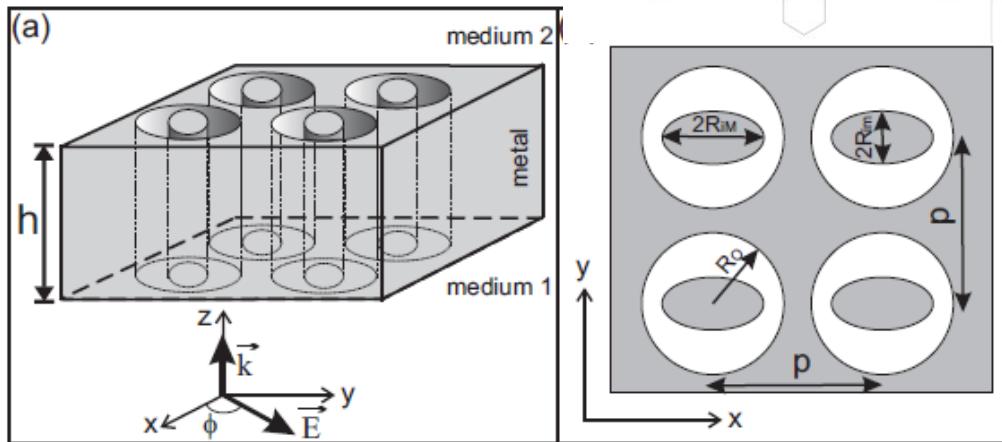
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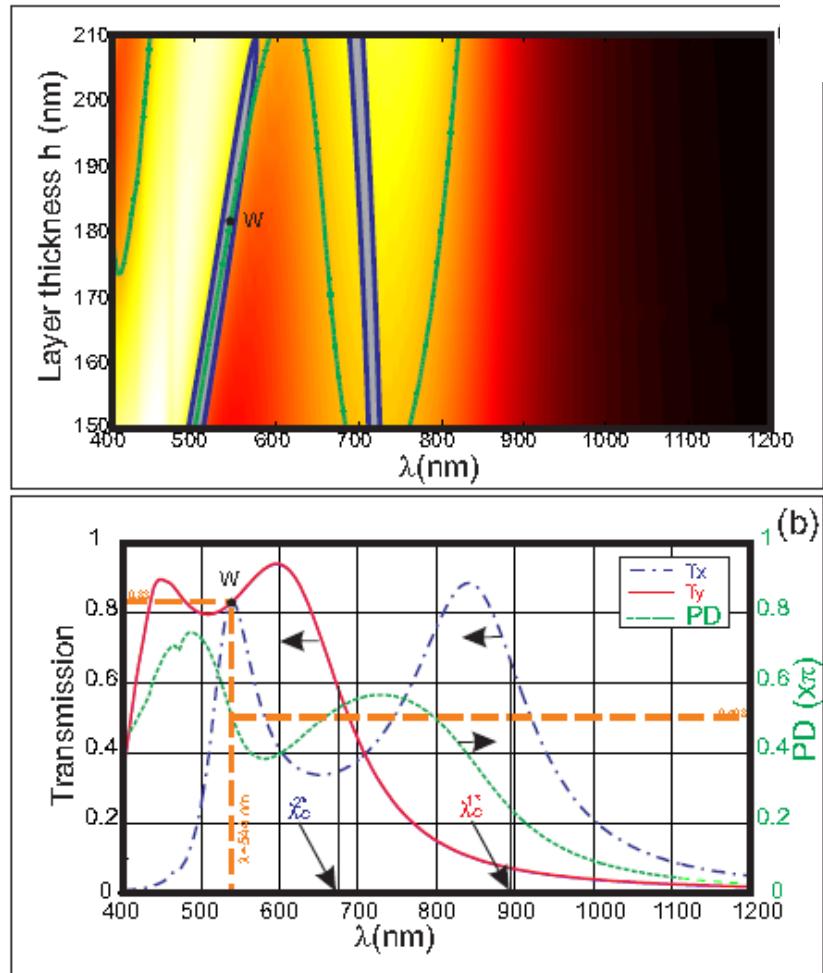
$$\begin{aligned} h &= 0.8p \\ a_x &= 0.75p \\ b_x &= 0.1p \\ b_y &= 0.2p \end{aligned}$$



# Lames $\lambda/4$ visible



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Transmission up to 83% in the visible range with realistic structure made in silver on glass substrate with  $\Delta n=0.75$

## Miniature Plasmonic Wave Plates

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Linear birefringence, as implemented in wave plates, is a natural way to control the state of polarization of light. We report on a general method for designing miniature planar wave plates using surface plasmons. The resonant optical device considered here is a single circular aperture surrounded by an elliptical antenna grating. The difference between the short and long axis of each ellipse introduces a phase shift on the surface plasmons which enables the realization of a quarter wave plate. Furthermore, the experimental results and the theoretical analysis show that the general procedure used does not influence the optical coherence of the polarization state and allows us to explore completely the surface of the unit Poincaré sphere by changing only the shape of the elliptical grating.

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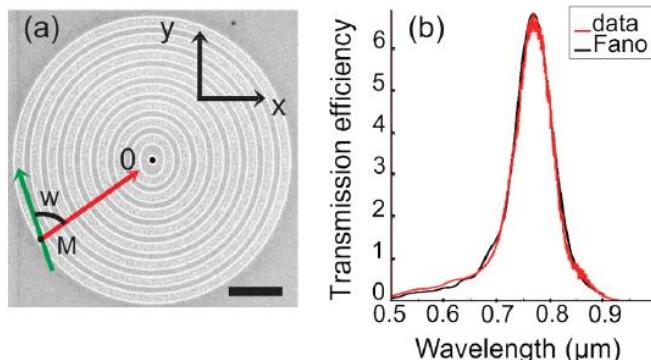


FIG. 1 (color). (a) Scanning electron microscopy image of the elliptical bull's eye structure. The scale bar is  $2 \mu\text{m}$  long. The green arrow is an excited point dipole  $\mathbf{P}_M$  located in  $\mathbf{M}$ . SPP (red arrow) launched in  $\mathbf{M}$  propagates along the radial direction  $\mathbf{MO}$  to reach the hole located in  $\mathbf{O}$ .  $w$  is the angle between  $\mathbf{MO}$  and  $\mathbf{P}_M$ . (b) Comparison between the experimental white light transmission spectrum (red curve) associated with the structure shown in (a) and the theoretical prediction (black curve) obtained with the 2D dipoles model. The transmission scale is dimensionless and corresponds to the ratio between the transmitted and the incoming power at the level of the aperture.

$90^\circ - \phi = 17.5^\circ$  with the  $z$  axis. These predictions are directly consistent with the observations. Additionally, for a pure left circular input SOP, we experimentally obtain  $\mathbf{S}^{\text{expt}} = 0.1123\hat{x} - 0.8984\hat{y} + 0.3104\hat{z}$  in agreement with the value deduced from  $\mathcal{M}^{C_{2v}}$ :  $\mathbf{S}^{C_{2v}} = 0.1067\hat{x} - 0.9272\hat{y} + 0.2949\hat{z}$ .

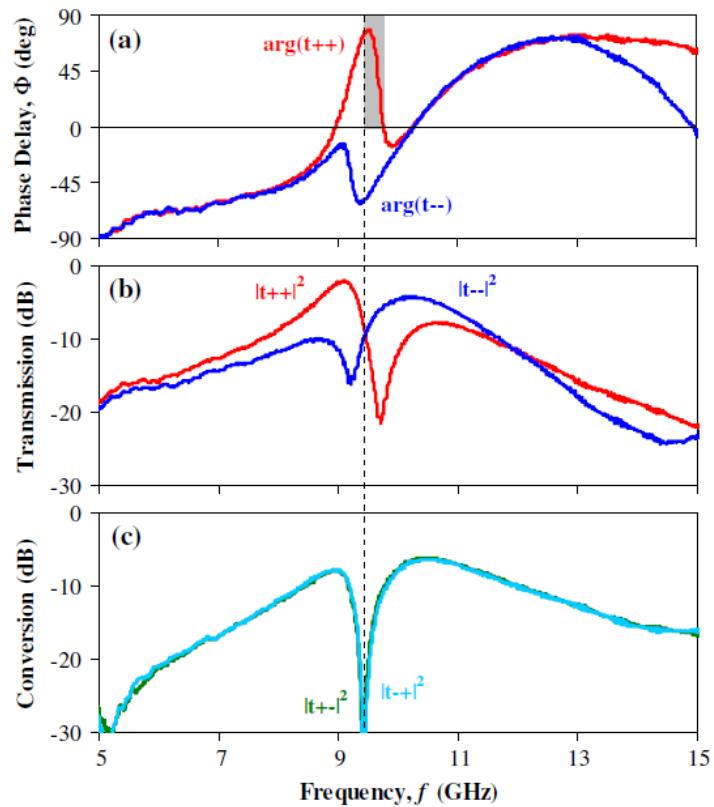
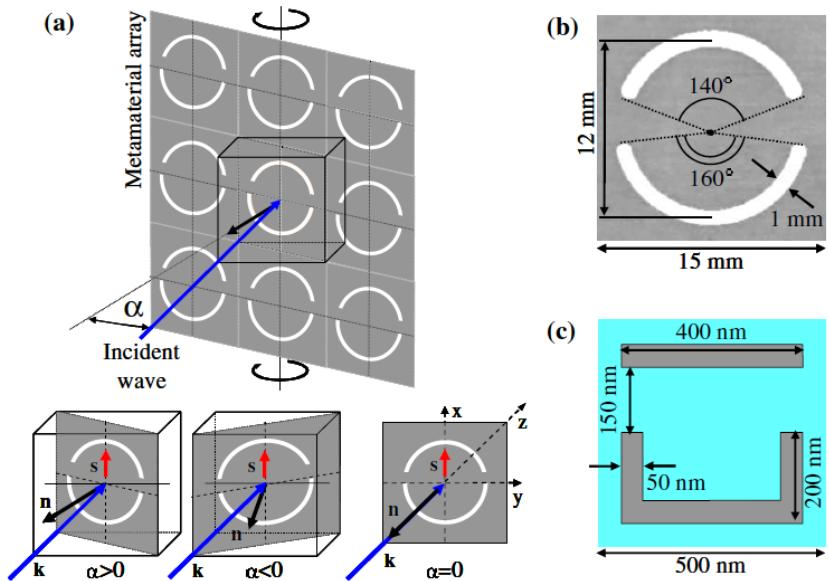
To conclude, all this experimental and theoretical analysis demonstrates that we have a clear understanding of the SPP structure considered here. First, we have  $\rho \approx 1$  which implies that the system acts essentially as a birefringent medium with the Jones matrix

$$\mathcal{J} \approx \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\phi} \end{pmatrix},$$

i.e., a wave plate. Second, the value obtained for  $\phi$  shows that the system differs slightly from an ideal quarter wave plate for which  $\phi = 90^\circ$ . From the point of view of the Poincaré sphere, this angle measures directly the in-plane

# Et les rotateurs ?? Chiralité

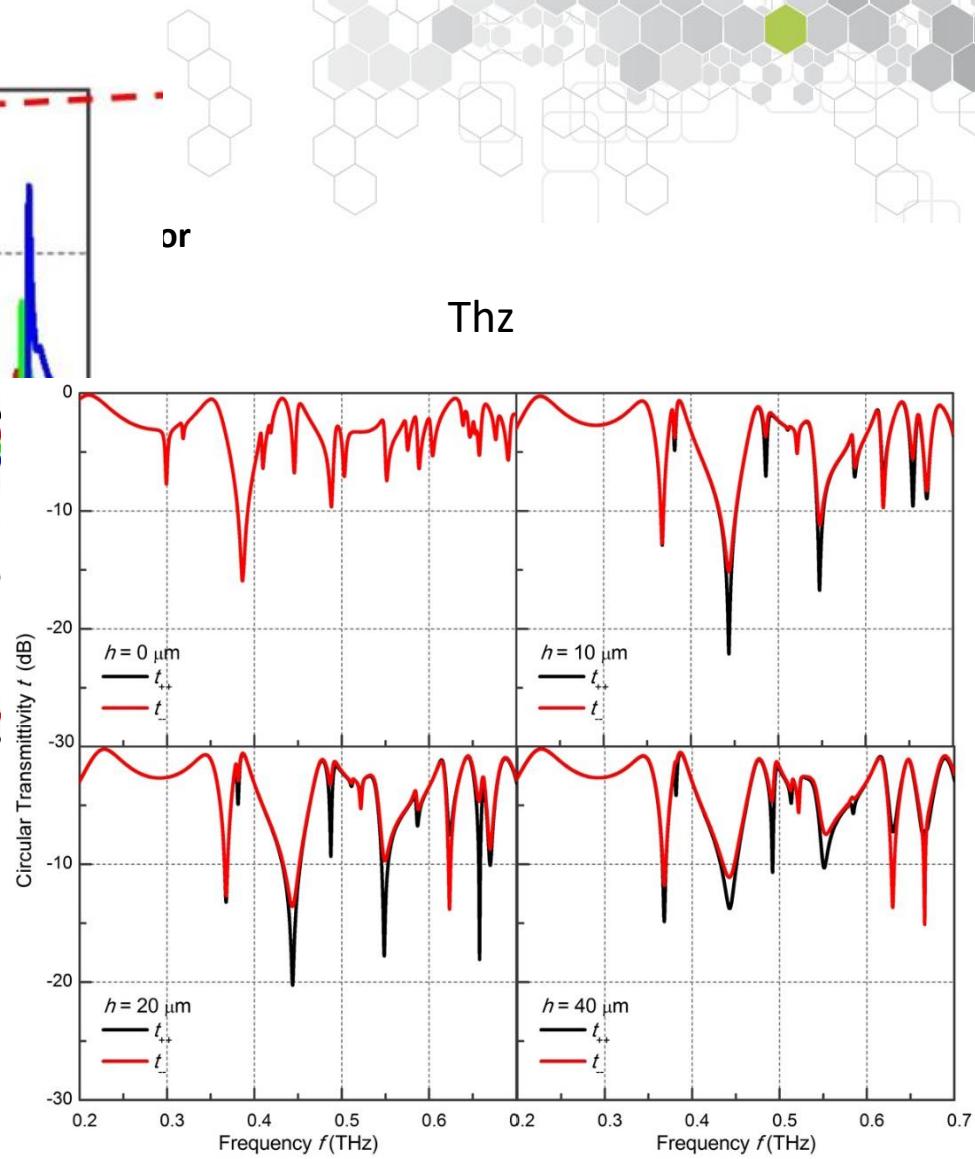
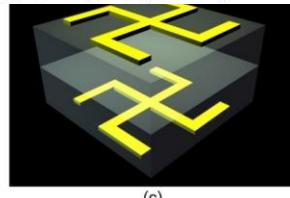
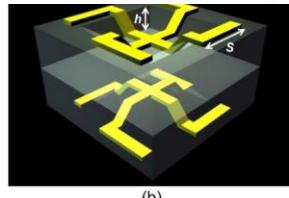
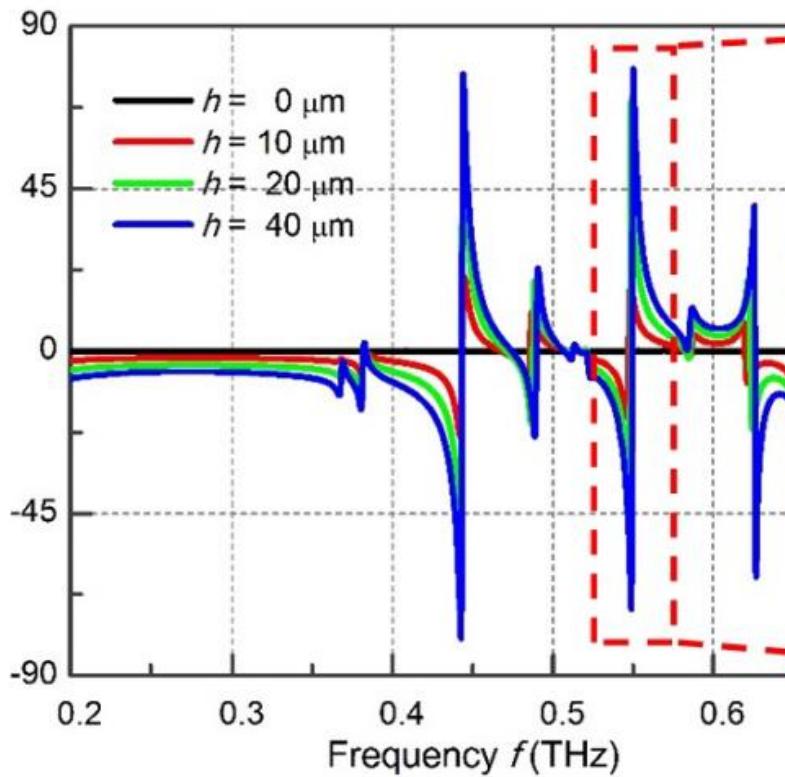
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 E. Plum *et al.*, *Phys. Rev. Lett.*, **102**, 113902 (2009).



Weak transmission, not tunable, ...

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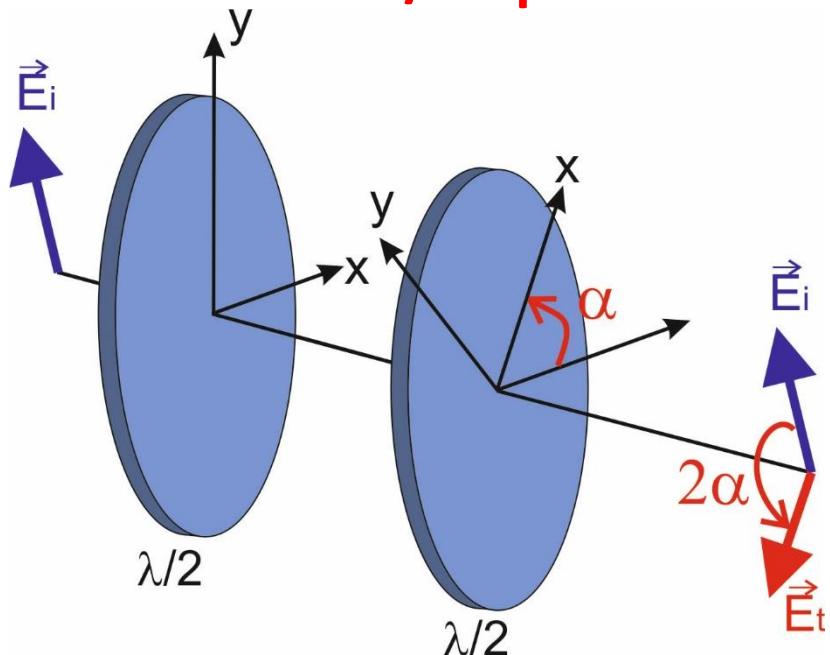
Polarization Rotation  $\theta$  (deg.)



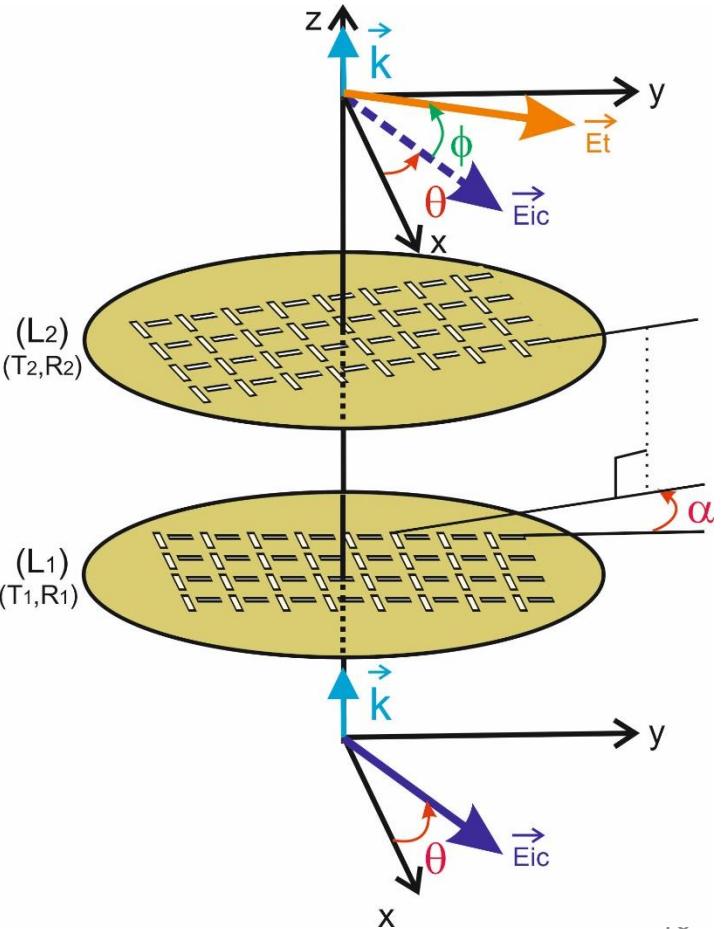
## Rotateur optique

BUT: A well known property for opticiens:

**2  $\lambda/2$  plates # optical rotator**

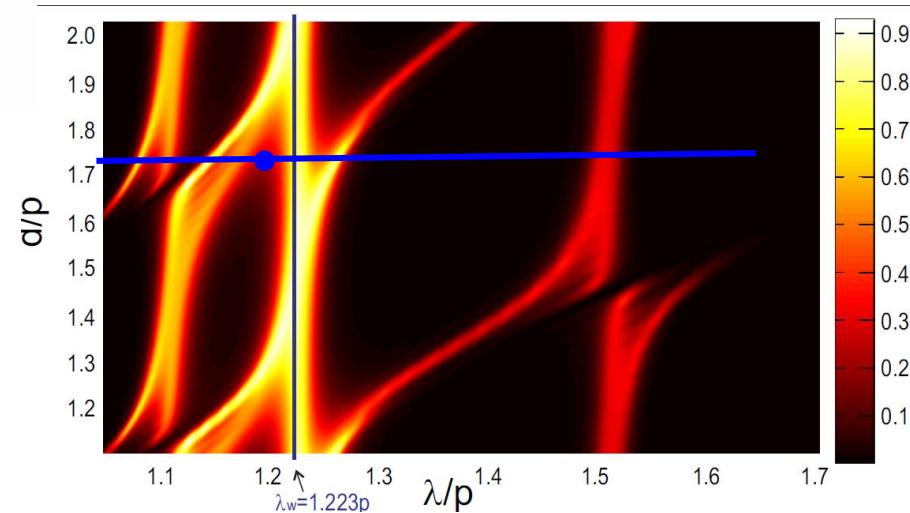
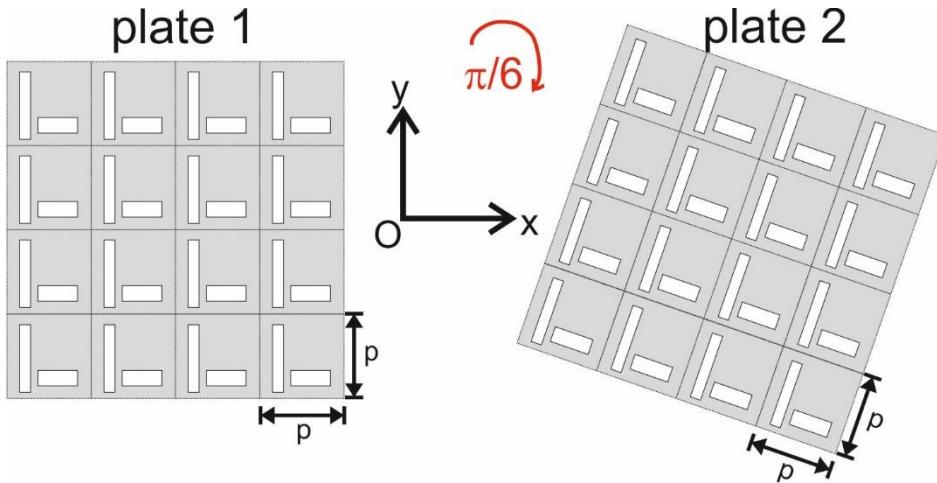


Large distance between the two plates



## B) Thz and microwave metamaterials: Optical Activity

Modeling of the cascaded structures :



Transmission Jones matrix in the circular polarization basis

$$T(\lambda = 1.223p) = 0.9003 \begin{pmatrix} e^{-\frac{\pi}{3.08}i} & 0.0172e^{1.8639i} \\ 0.0174e^{2.0226i} & e^{\frac{\pi}{3.08}i} \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{rotation by } \pi/3.08 \text{ instead of } \pi/3$$



