

Confinement of light in realistic 3D cavity superlattices

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Motivation

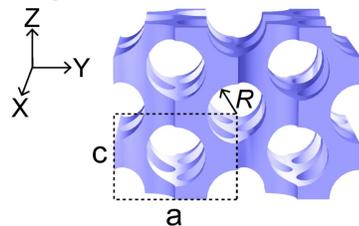
Goal: Trap photons and manipulate their behavior.

Relevant for Anderson localization of light [1], photonic computing [2], ...

3D inverse woodpile photonic crystal

Omnidirectional photonic band gap [3, 4].

Band gap width depends on the reduced pore radius $\frac{R}{a}$.

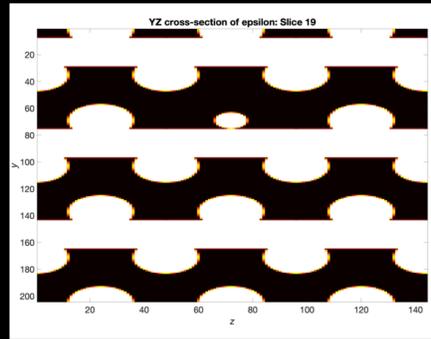
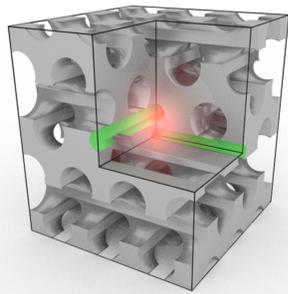


Crystal with a cavity

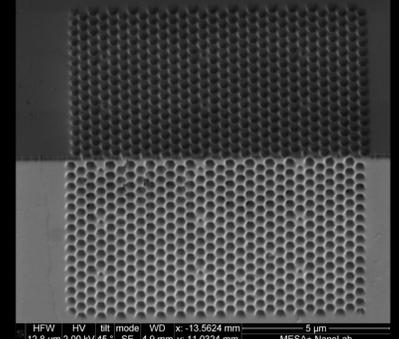
Two perpendicular defect pores with $R' < R$ [5, 6].

Cavity superlattice results in Cartesian light [7].

Properties strongly depend on both R and R' .



What theoreticians compute

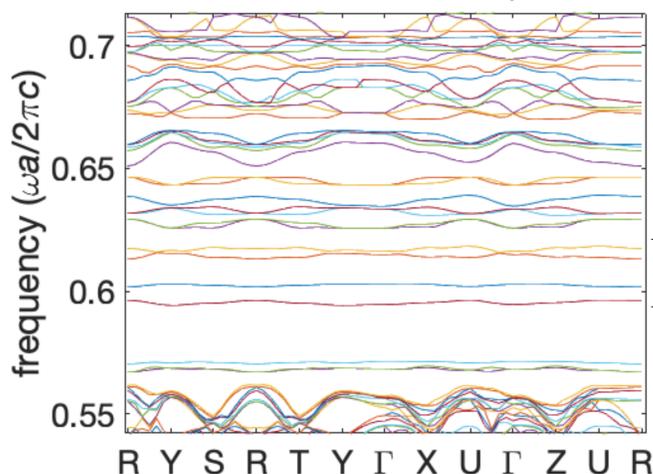


What experimentalists work with

We investigate the behavior of the resonance with respect to variations of structural parameters (R, R'), as they appear in experiment.

Parameter map

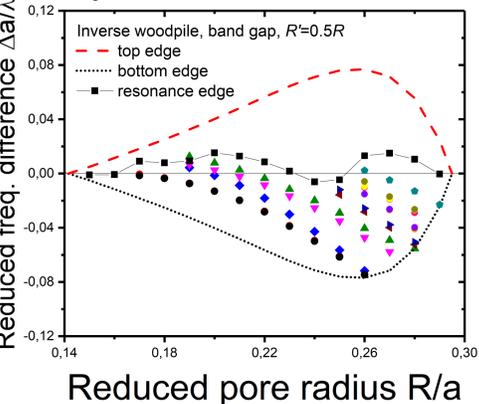
Bandstructure: $R=0.26a, R'=0.5R$



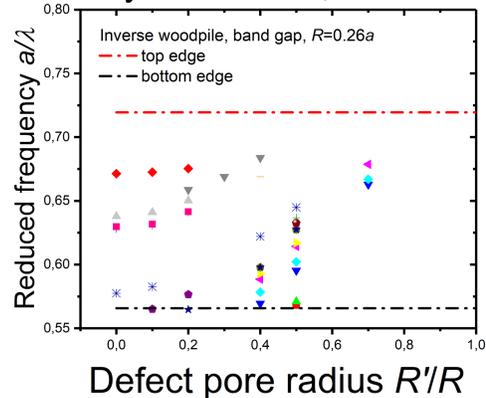
Well-separated flat bands hint at localized modes.

As the pore sizes (R, R') change, various resonances sweep the lower half of the band gap and disappear at its bottom.

Cavity resonance, constant R'/R



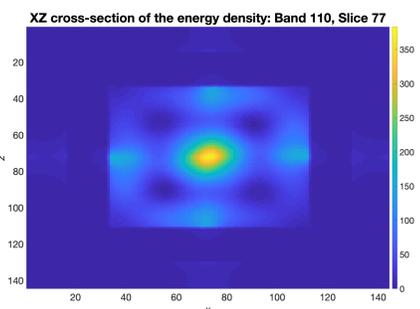
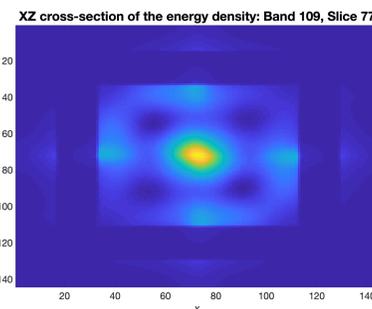
Cavity resonance, constant R



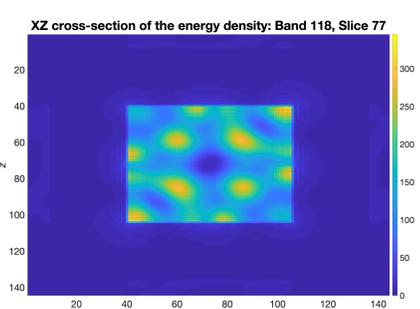
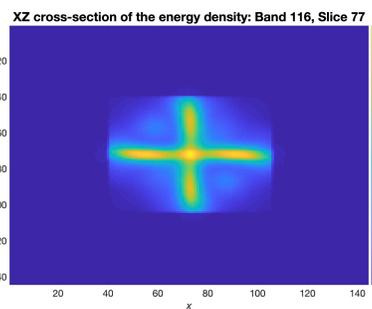
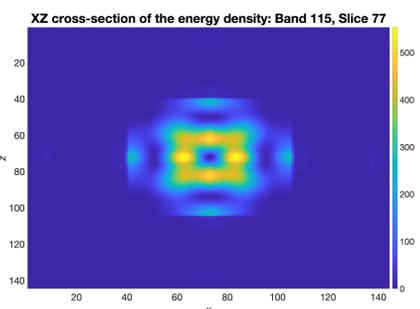
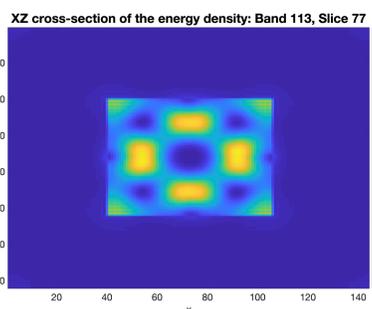
Resonance symmetry

Resonances exhibit various multipolar symmetries.

$R=0.18a, R'=0.5R, \omega \in (0.40, 0.41)$: Dipolar



$R=0.26a, R'=0.4R, \omega \in (0.565, 0.615)$: Quadrupolar



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