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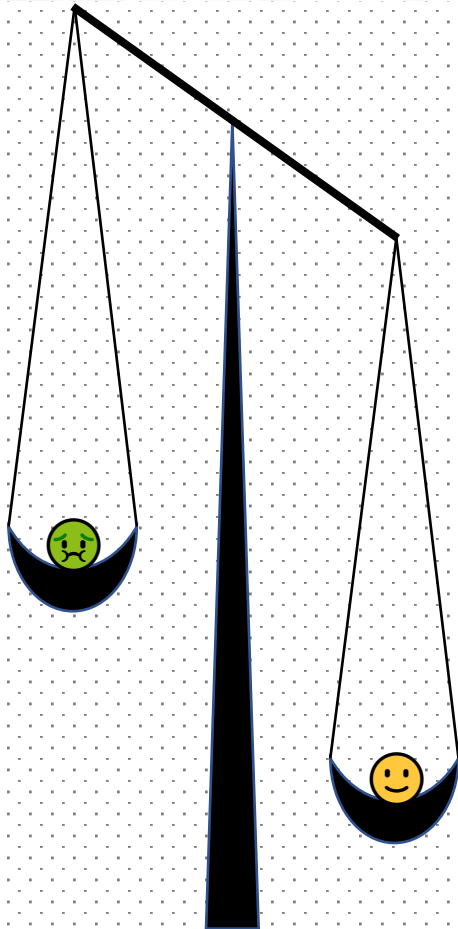
Round 1 : Paperwork

Result:

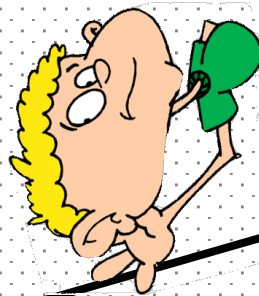
7 nominations for 1st prize



Round 2 : Meeting



2nd Prize is in the field of communication



Bob



Alice

Quantum Communication

It goes to **team** of **2 PhD students** that **theoretically**:

1. Showed that the 1-decoy state protocol allows achieving higher secret key rates within shorter acquisition time without scarifying on security
2. proved the security of a new and simplified quantum-key-distribution protocol (based on Bennett-Brassard, BB84) allowing simpler detection scheme
3. Potential of establishing new performance records

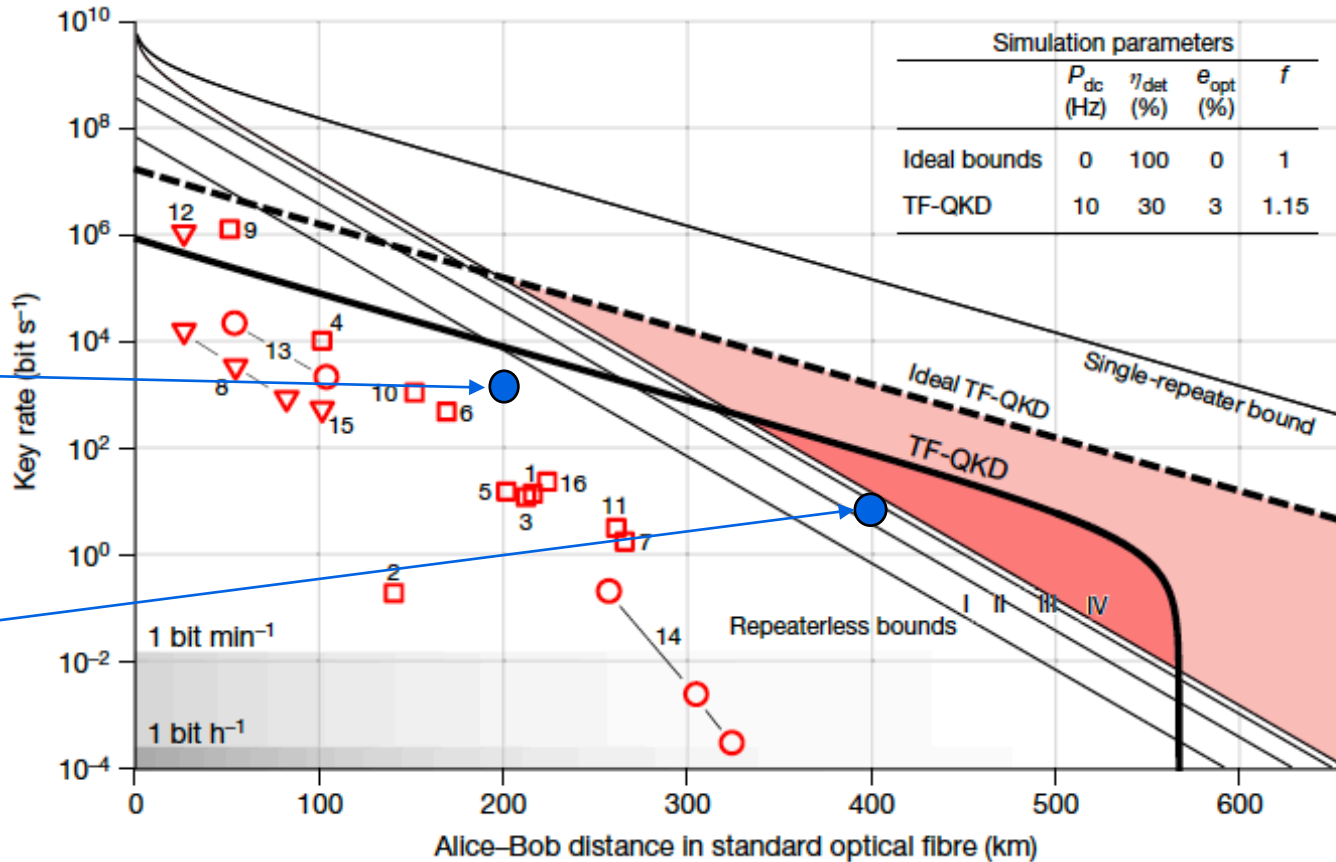


Quantum key distribution (QKD)

With their **experimental work** they established new performance record in this field:

App.Phys.Lett. 112, 171108 (2018)

Phys.Rev.Lett. 121, 190502 (2018)



M. Lucamarini et al., Nature 558, 403 (May 2018)

-> Possibility for direct industrialization



Competition organised for the 40th anniversary of GMP SA

SECOND PRIZE

awarded to

Alberto Boaron and Davide Rusca

for their very important contribution to the technology
of long distance Quantum Key Distribution

The members of the jury



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Photonic Technology

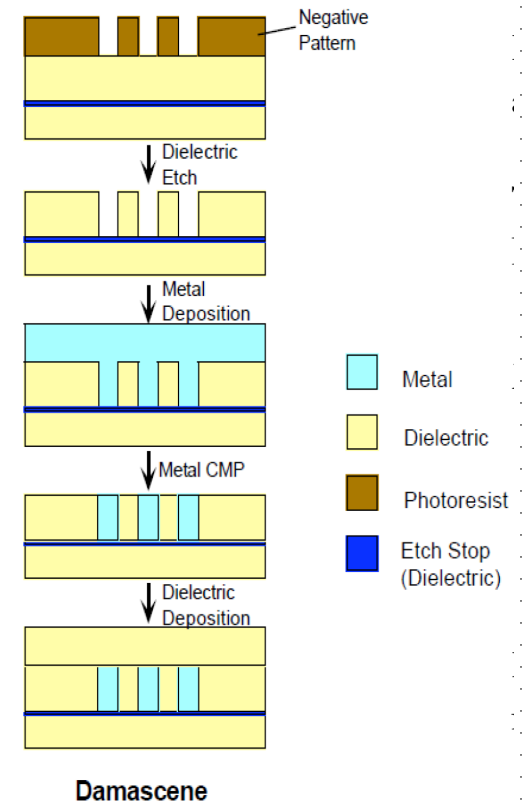
Miniaturization problem in IC-Fabrication in **1990**:
Al on ICs had to be replaced by Cu!

- IBM developed additive patterning procedure (Damascene process)

2010: Miniaturization problem in optical waveguides on Si: high losses !

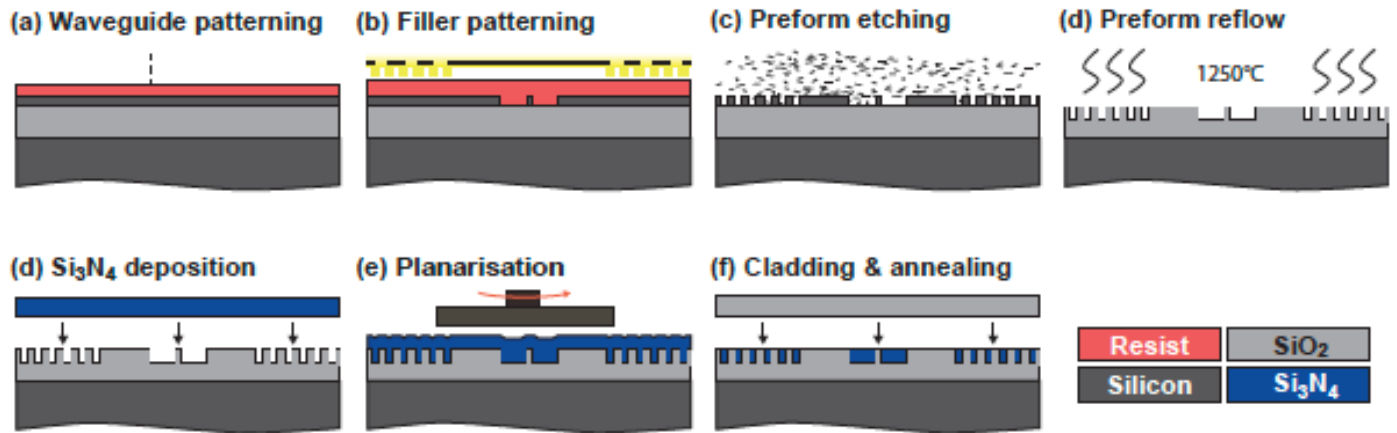
2013-2018: PhD work @ EPFL:

- Invention of the Photonic Damascene Process
- First demonstration of low loss Si_3N_4 waveguides of unprecedented height
- Breakthrough for on chip photonic integrated circuits & resonators

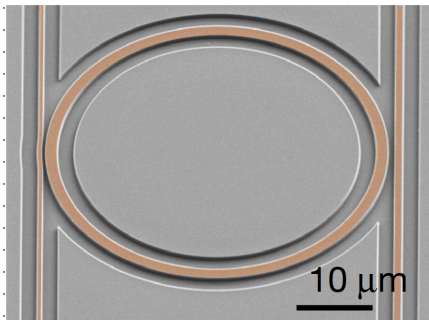




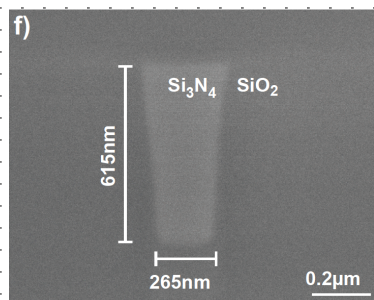
Photonic Damascene Process



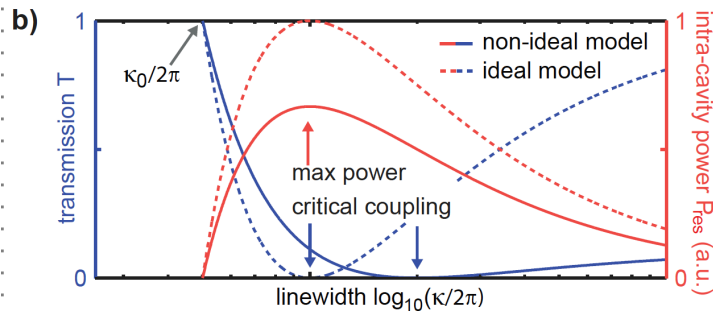
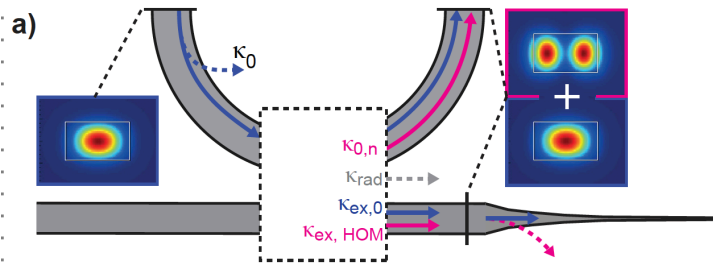
Optica 3(1), 2016 ->



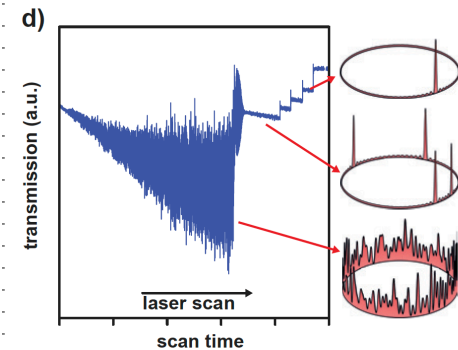
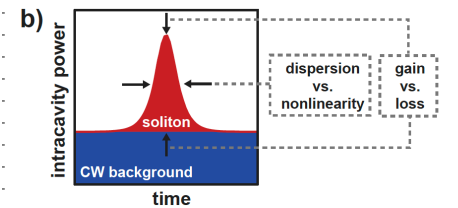
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PhD-Thesis, 2018



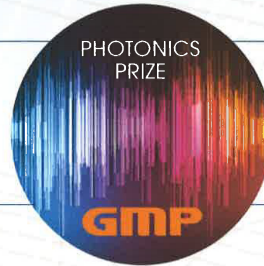
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40 Years
experience

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LASERPIONIÈRE SEIT 40 JAHREN
LASER PIONEERS FOR 40 YEARS

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First Prize

awarded to

Martin Pfeiffer

for his fundamental contribution
to the manufacturing process of high performance optical on-chip waveguides

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