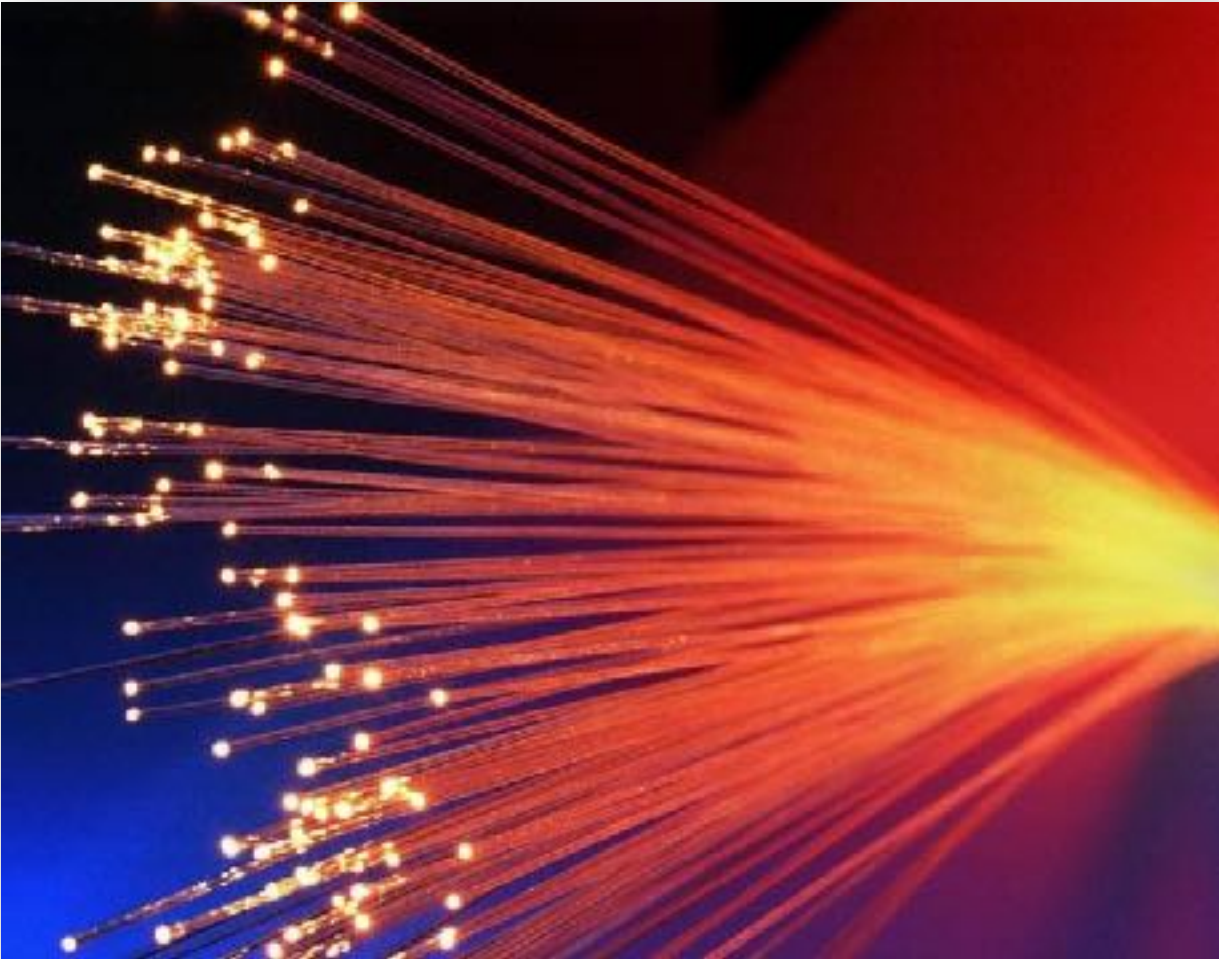


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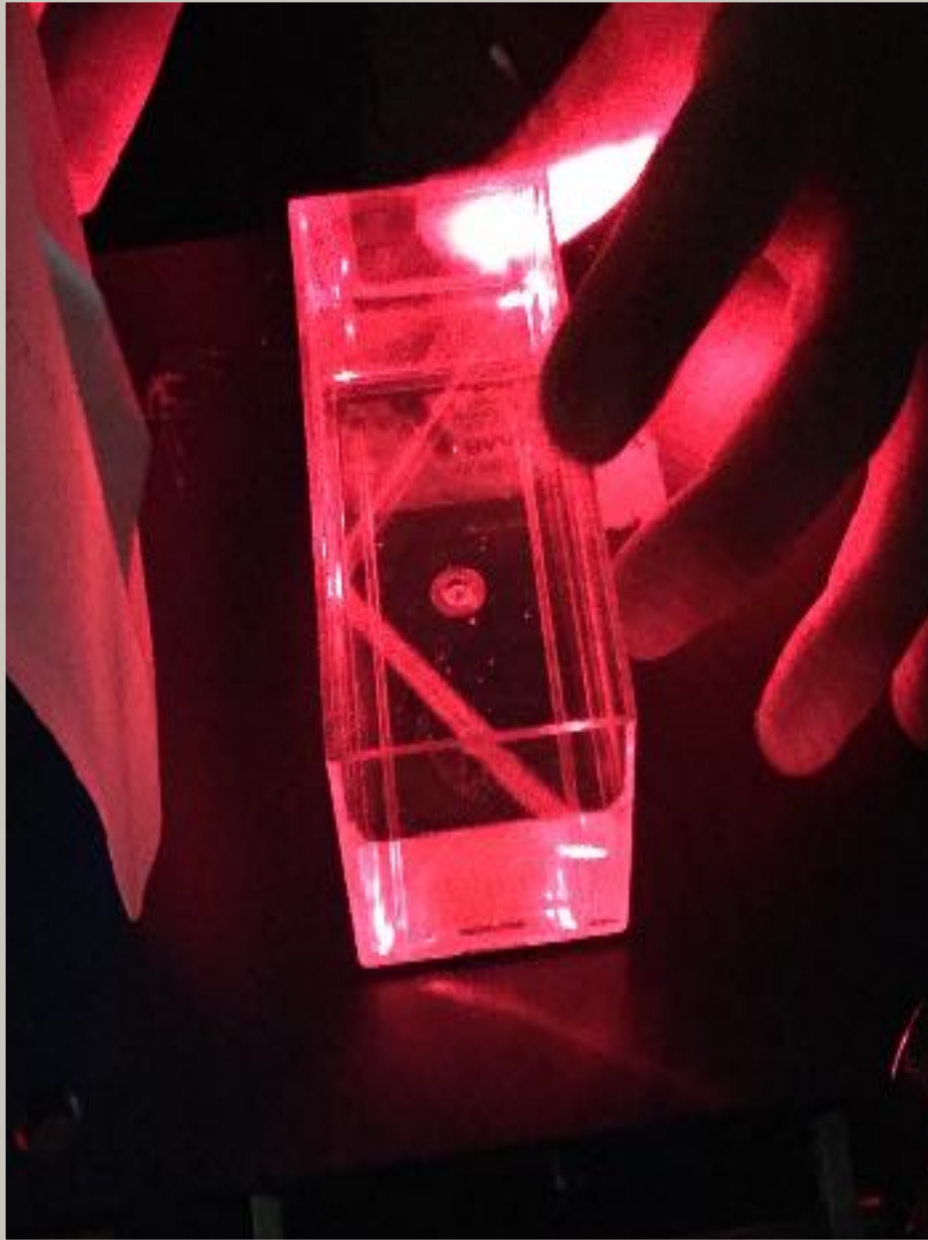
# Why?

To take advantage of light speed to send informations all over the world



# TARGETS

- Studying guided optical principles
- Studying the propagation and interaction between light and substance
  - Ideation and creation of an optical waveguide
- Grating and channel waveguide characterization with different microscopies
- Coupling the light in a channel and planar waveguide



## SOME OPTICAL NOTION

### How to do?

To keep the light into the waveguides we need to avoid the dispersion that light has every time it hits a surface.

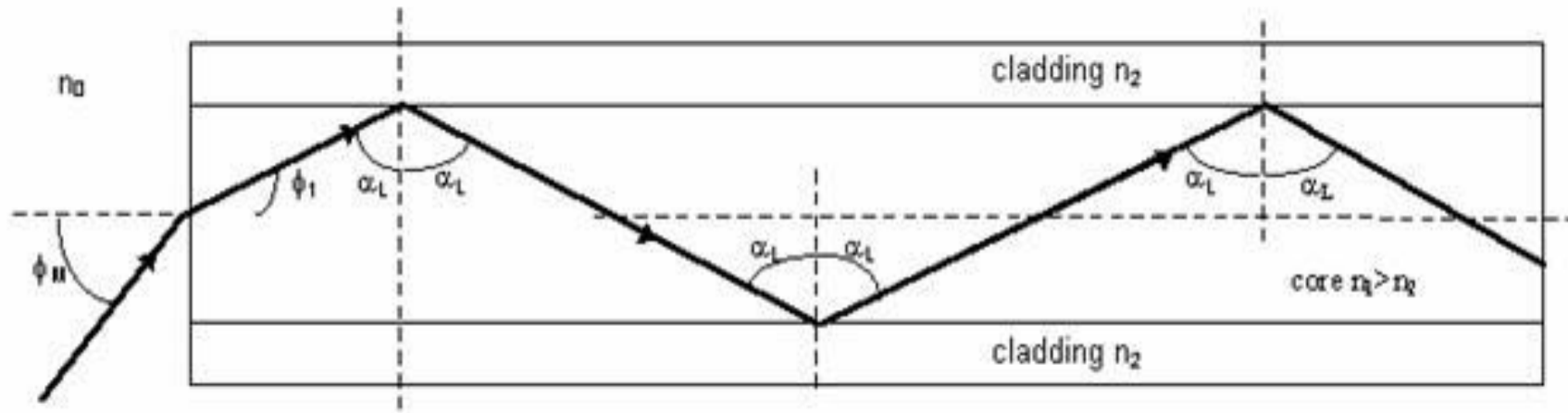
We remove the refractions with the total internal reflection derived by

Snell's Law.

$$n_1 \sin \theta_1 = n_2 \sin \theta_2$$

*Willebrord Snellius*

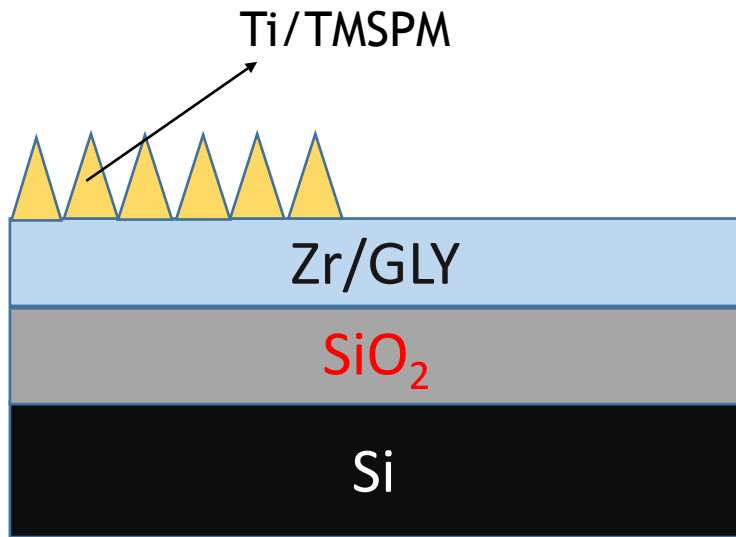
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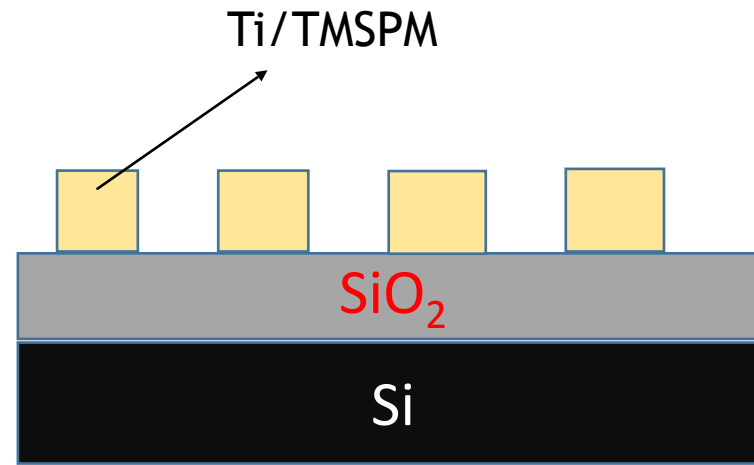
Specifically, we can obtain a total internal reflection for an angle greater than a “critical” one. This is possible only if the refractive index of the core is greater than the cladding layers.



# WAVEGUIDES



PLANAR WAVEGUIDE



CHANNEL WAVEGUIDE

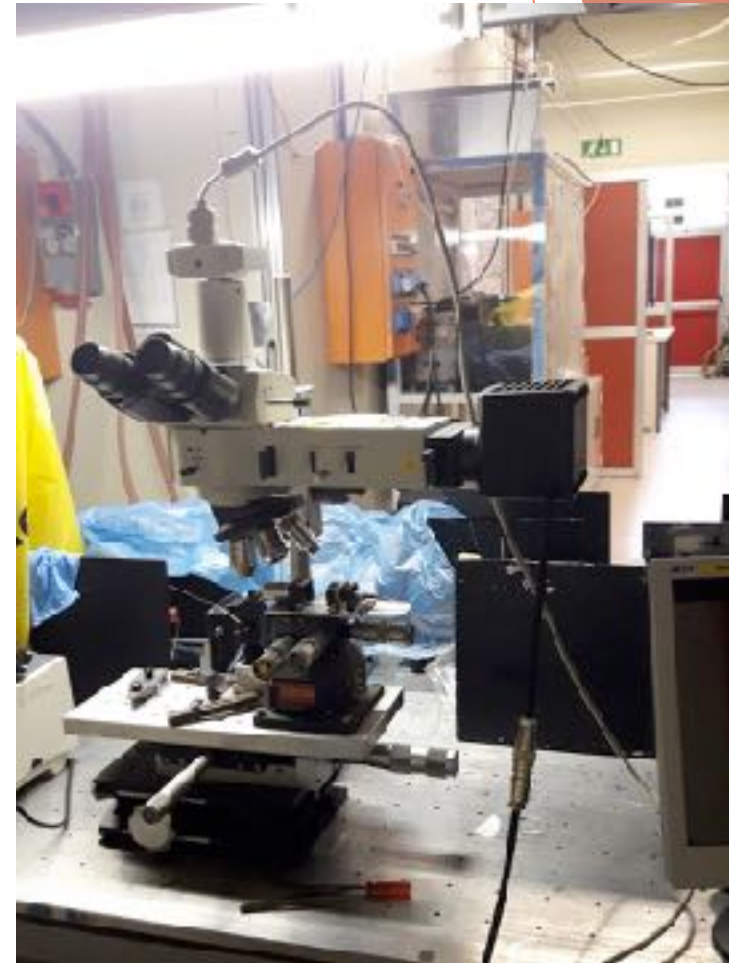
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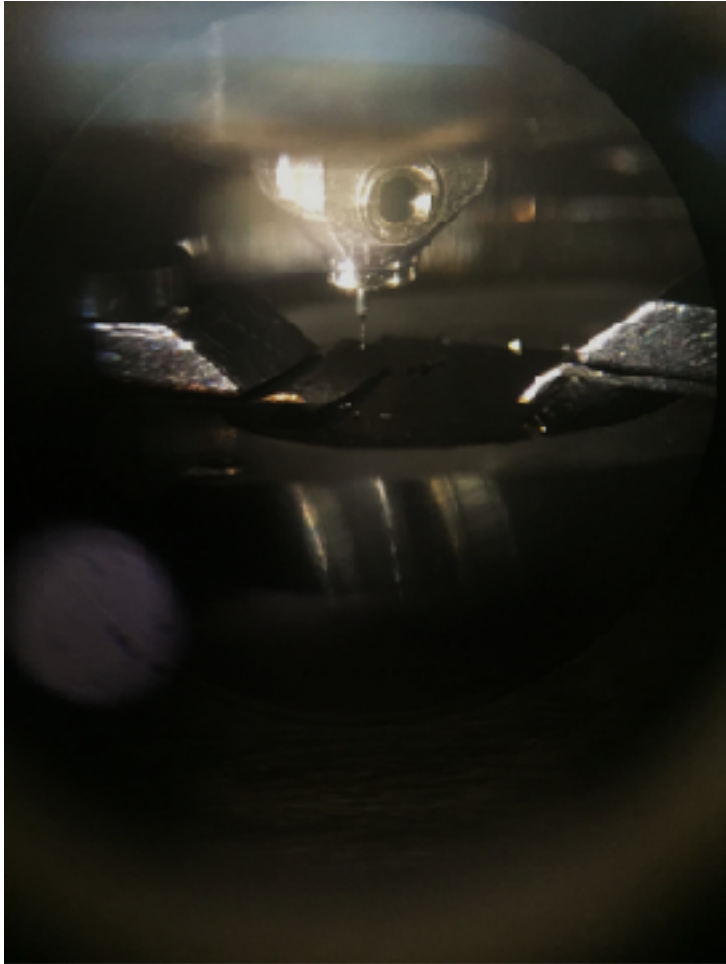
The **optical microscope** is a type of microscope which uses **visible light** and a system of lenses to magnify images of small samples. Optical microscopes are the oldest design of microscope and were invented by Galileo Galilei in their present compound form in the 17th century.





# SPM

(Scanning Probe Microscopy)



SPM techniques reach a rather impressive atomic resolution using a physical probe that scans the samples. This is because piezoelectric actuators can execute motions with a precision and accuracy at atomic level.

# STM

(Scanning Tunneling Microscopy)

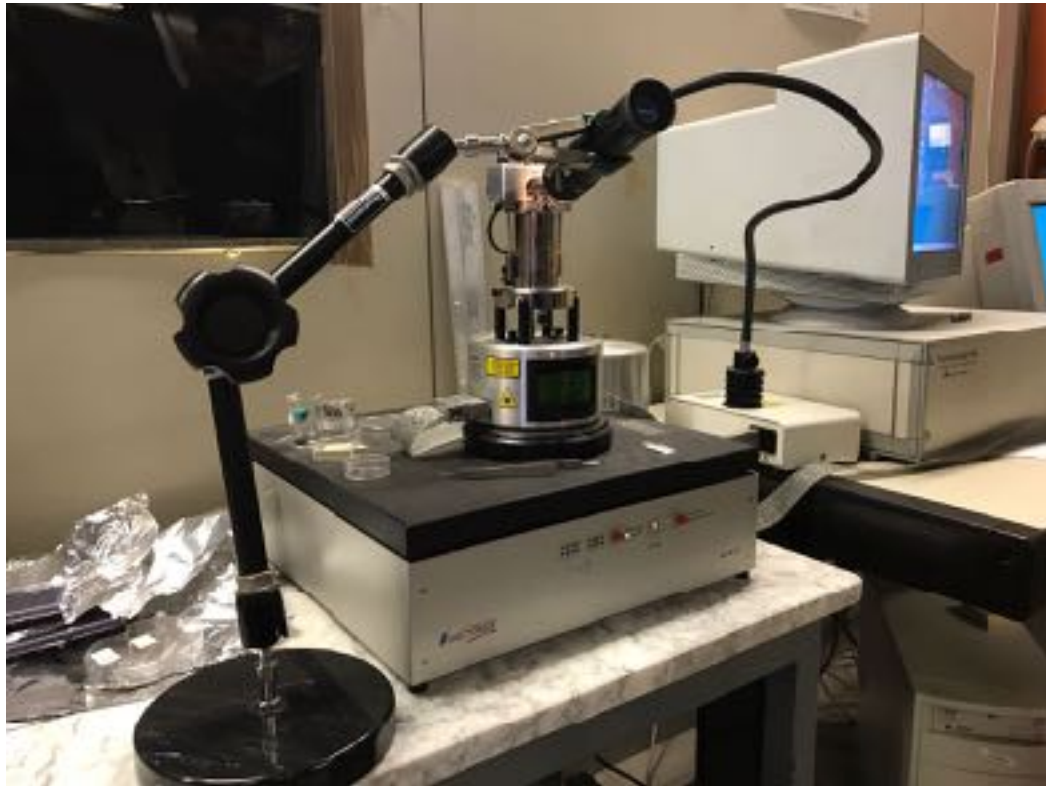


Ultra- High Vacuum chamber

It is an instrument for imaging surfaces at the atomic level, it was invented in 1981 by Gerd Binnig and Heinrich Rohrer. The STM is based on the concept of quantum tunneling. When a conducting tip is brought very near to the surface to be examined, a bias (voltage difference) applied between the two can allow electrons to tunnel through the vacuum between them.

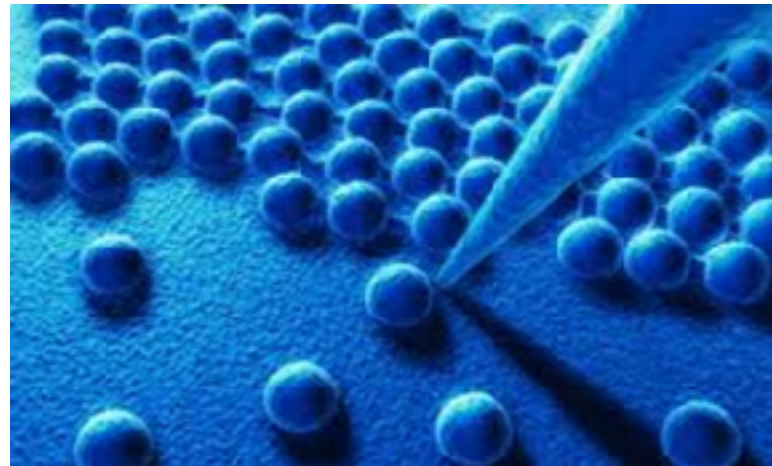
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(Atomic Force Microscopy)

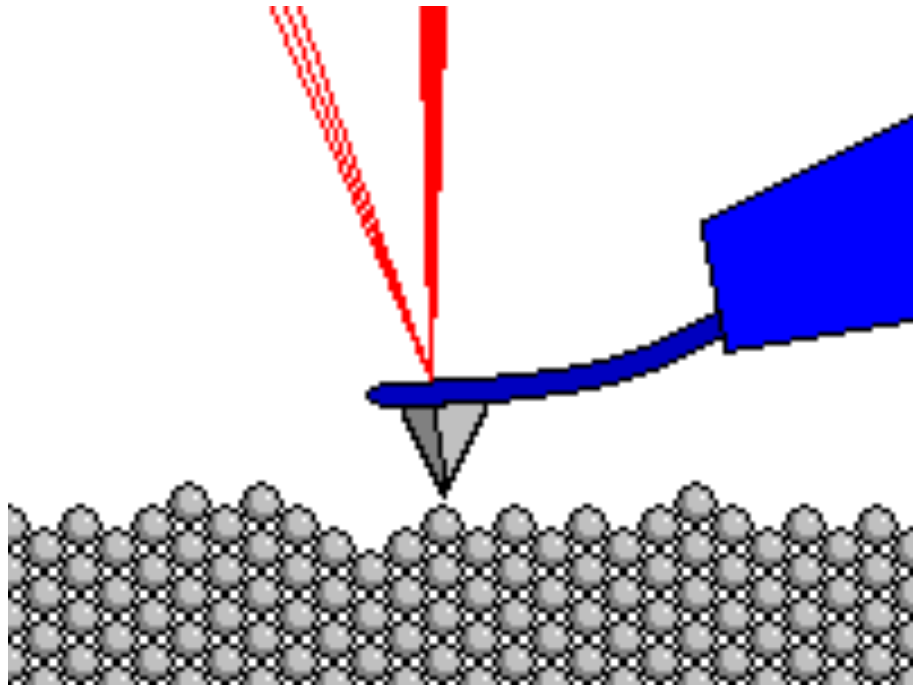


The tip touches the surface atoms.

It is a very-high-resolution type of scanning probe microscopy (SPM), with demonstrated resolution on the order of fractions of a nanometer, more than 1000 times better than the optical diffraction limit



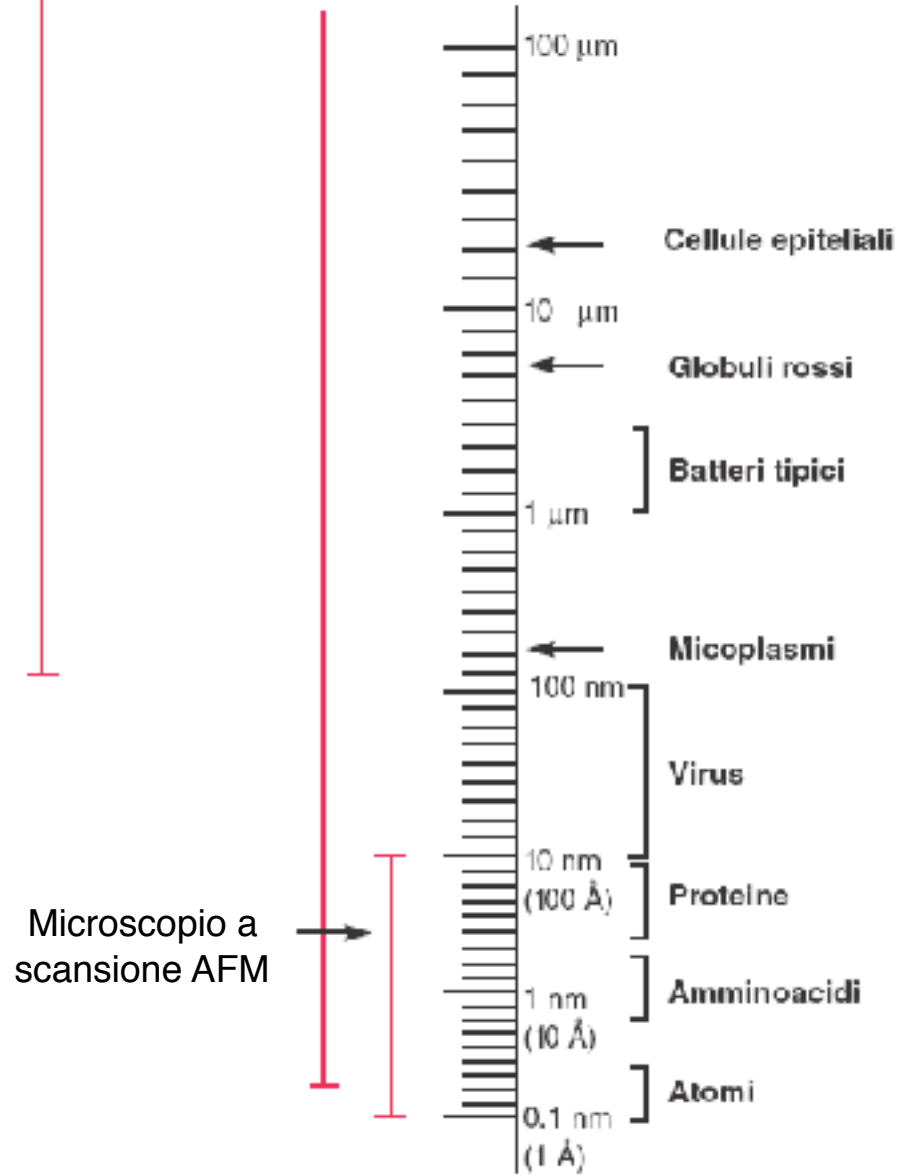
# OPERATION MODES



- **Contact mode.** The tip touches the surface of the sample: the resolution is better but the contact may damage the top.
- **No- contact mode.** The tip doesn't touch the surface: the resolution is worse but the sample remains undamaged.
- **Tapping mode.** The tip oscillates on the surface: the resolution is high but the acquisition is slow.

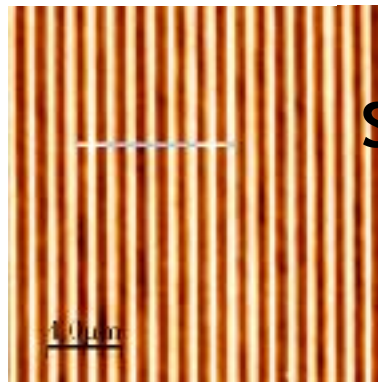
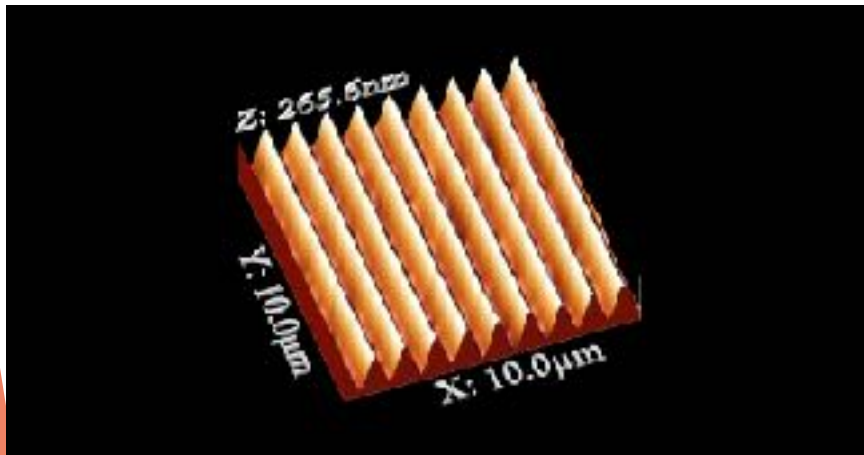
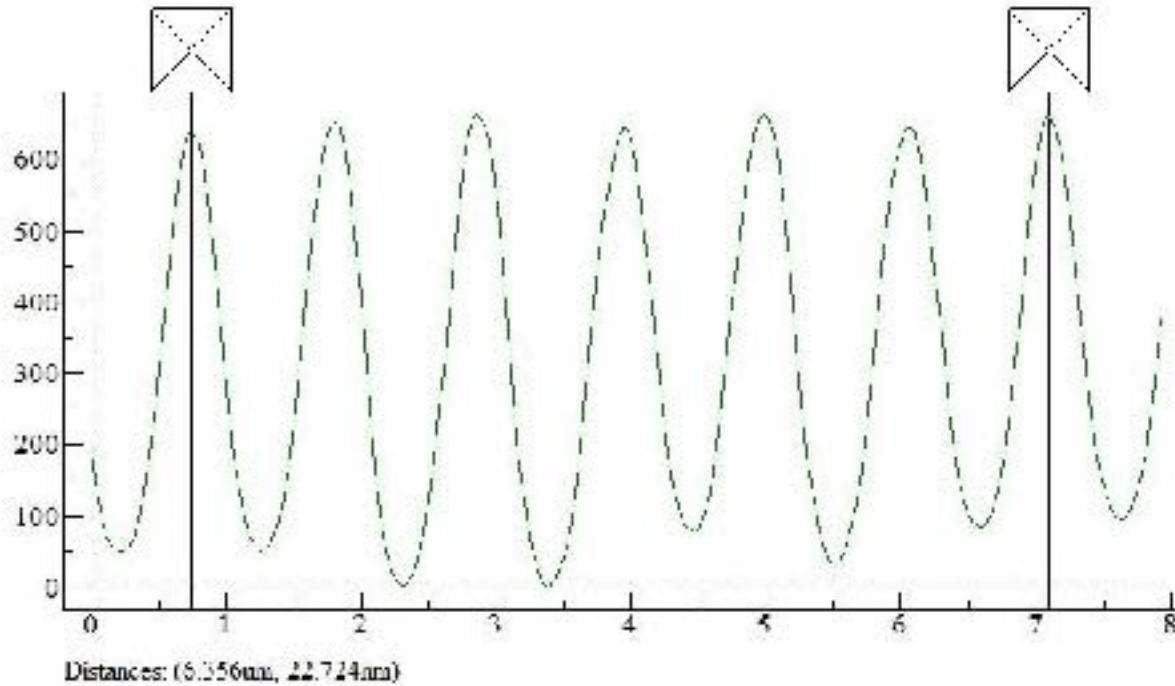
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# Resolution ranges of different microscopic techniques

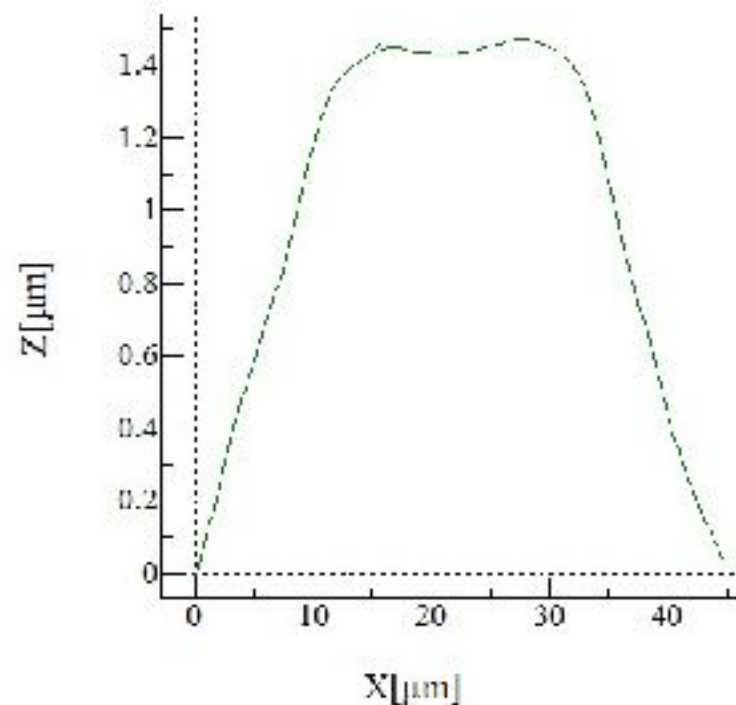
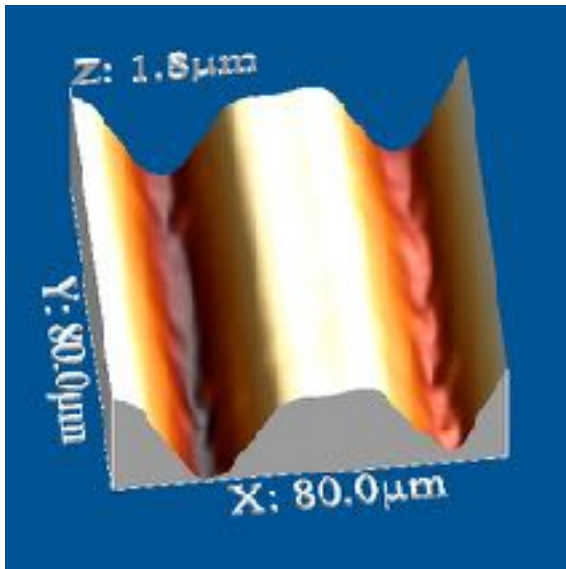
# CHARACTERIZATION OF GRATING



We use the AFM to observe the grating at atomic level. Doing that, we can measure the grating's step. To analyze data we use a specific program, which can produce pictures of the samples in 2D, 3D or their profiles.

# CHANNEL WAVEGUIDE

We have characterized the channel waveguide through AFM with contact mode. After this measure we have developed the images with WSxM . This program uses an universal language to process images acquired by any microscopes.





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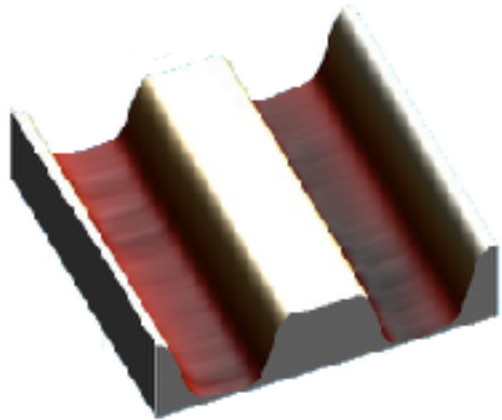
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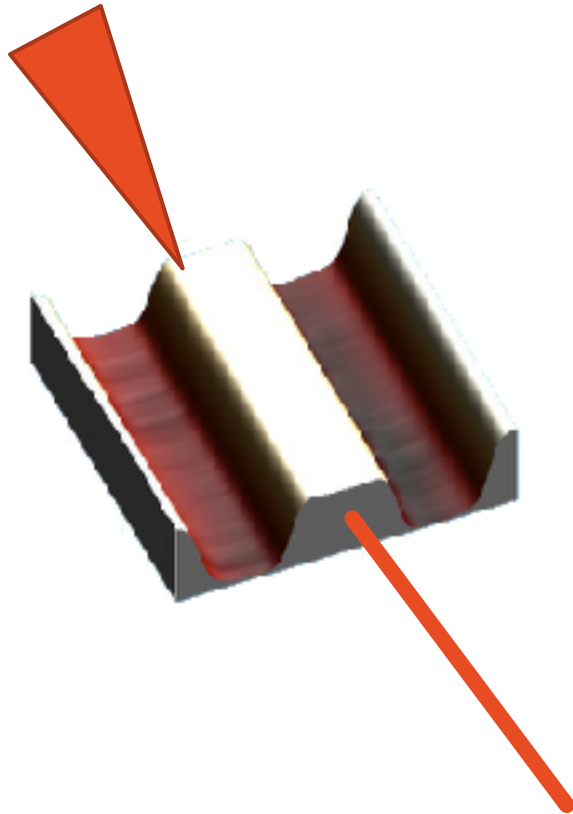


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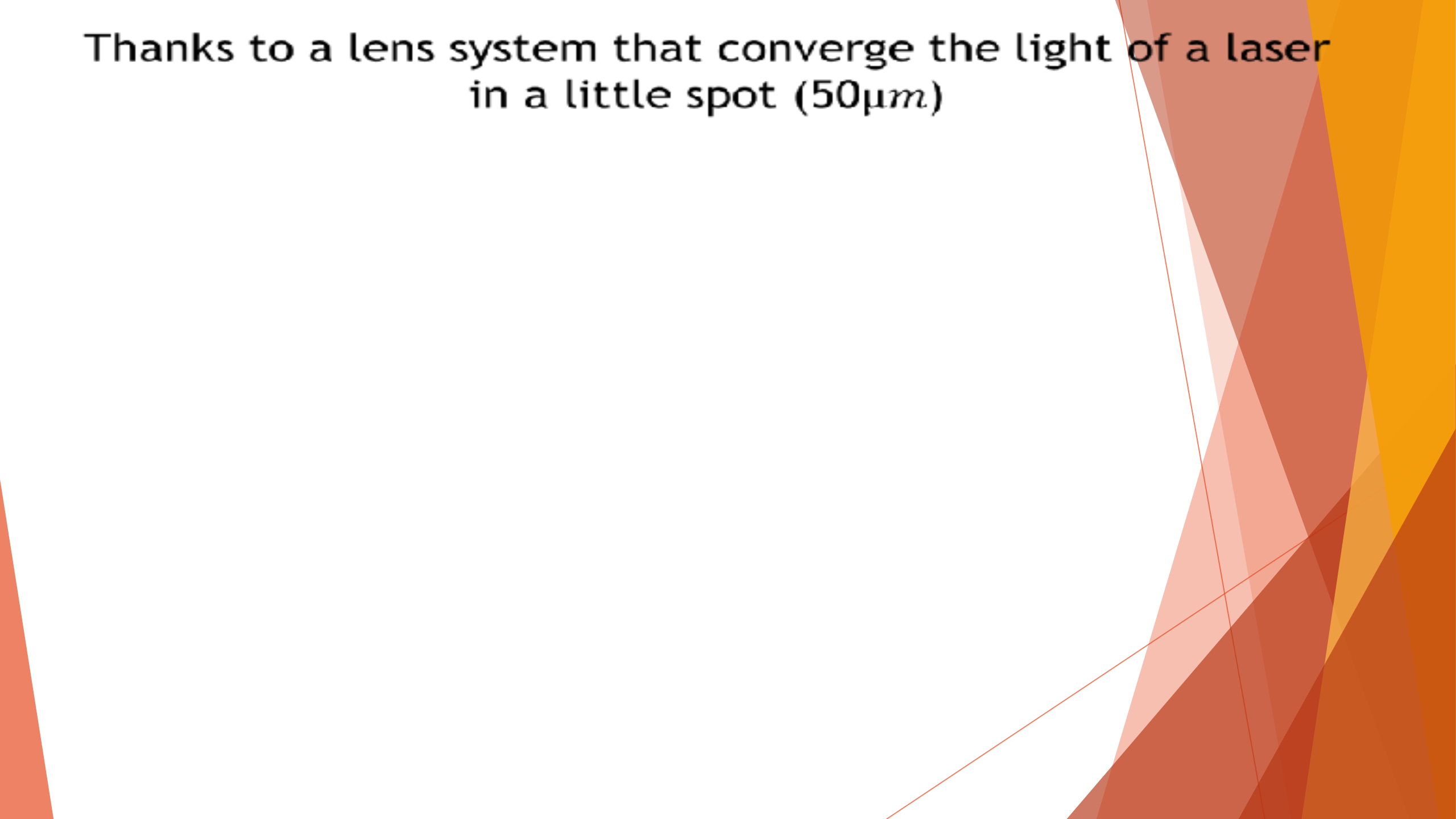
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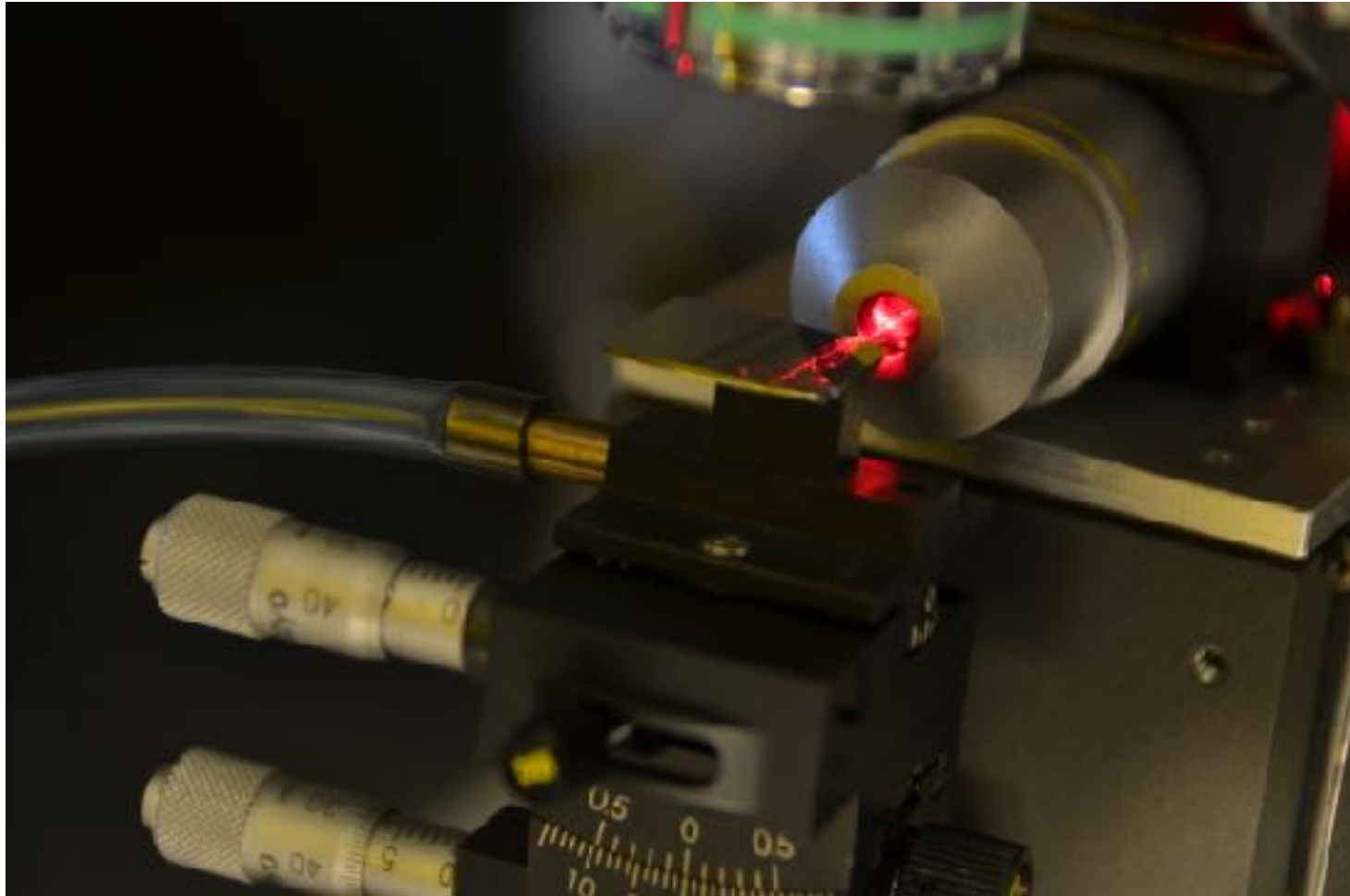
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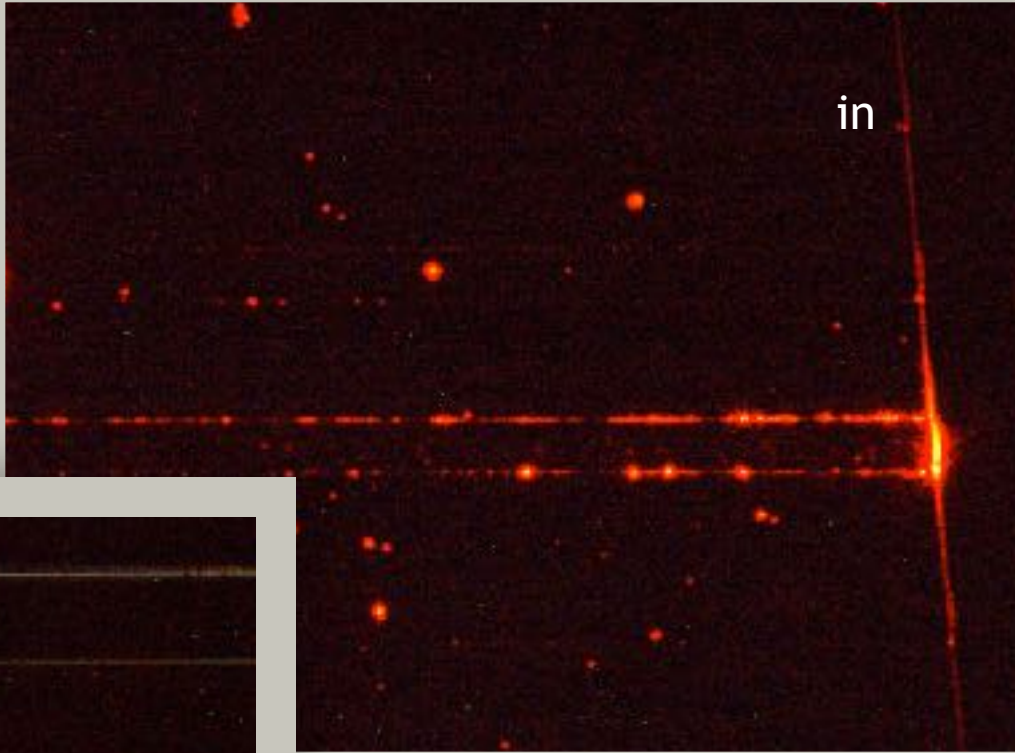
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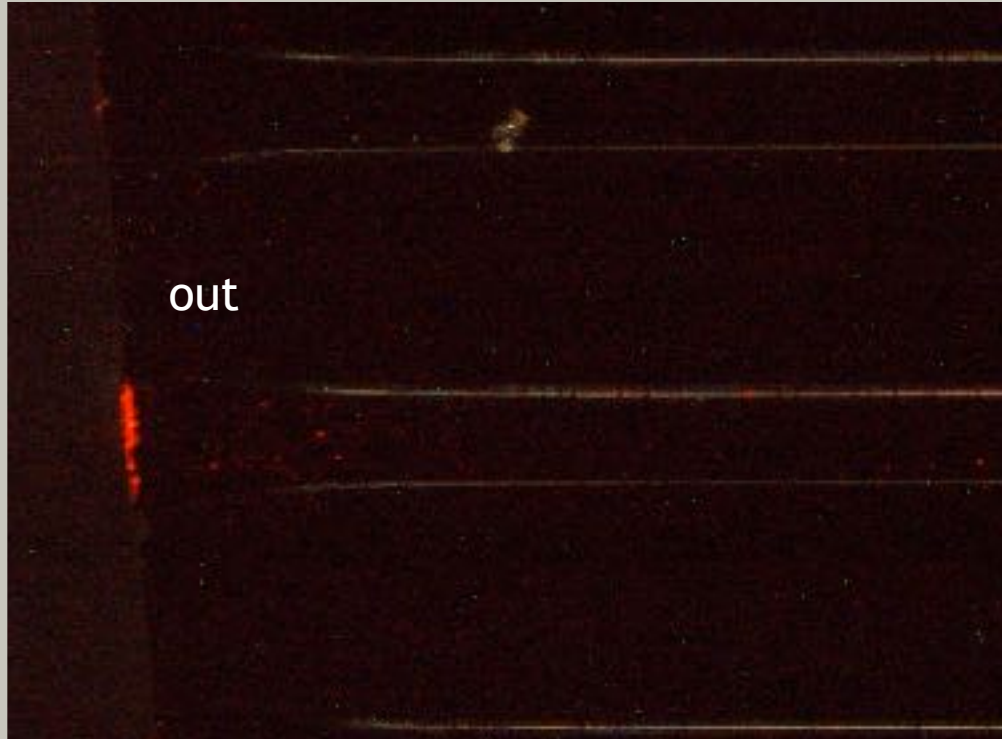
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