

1 **Highly efficient tunable terahertz all-dielectric metasurface absorber based on high**
2 **mode**

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30 **Abstract**

31 All-dielectric terahertz metasurface absorbers have aroused widespread attention over the past
32 few years for their flexible design concepts and excellent absorbing properties. However, the
33 existing all-dielectric terahertz metasurface absorbers are subjected to poor tunability. In this
34 study, a high-efficiency magnetically tunable terahertz all-dielectric metasurface absorber
35 scheme is proposed based on high modes. In this paper, the all-dielectric metasurface is
36 compounded with the liquid crystal, and the device can be tunable by different applied magnetic
37 fields. The results show that the absorption peak of the device is very sensitive to different
38 applied magnetic fields. By studying the tunable performance of the first three levels of Mie
39 resonance peaks of the absorber, we found that the device has efficient tunability in high mode
40 and optimized the design of the all-dielectric metasurface absorber with the tuning figure of
41 merit (FOM) of up to 6.67. This scheme shows the advantages of simple fabrication, low cost,

1 and high integration, and it will provide a novel idea for the design of highly efficient terahertz
2 tunable all-dielectric metasurface absorbers.

3 **1 Introduction**

4 Terahertz wave refers to an electromagnetic wave between microwave and far-infrared bands,
5 and its spectrum ranges from 0.1 to 10 THz. Electromagnetic waves in the infrared and
6 microwave bands have been extensively recognized and applied [1-5], whereas there are
7 relatively few explorations and studies in the terahertz band. Since terahertz technology has
8 only begun to receive attention over the past few years, related materials, devices, and systems
9 are not yet mature. Over the past few years, the emergence of metamaterials (metasurfaces) has
10 played a major role in promoting the research field of electromagnetic materials [6-9].
11 Metamaterials are artificially structured materials composed of aligned subwavelength
12 structures that can be artificially designed to obtain unusual electromagnetic properties in the
13 terahertz frequency range [10]. Unlike traditional materials, their electromagnetic properties
14 depend largely on the geometric parameters and arrangement of the unit cells, rather than the
15 material itself. Given the above property, researchers can tune their electromagnetic properties
16 in the sub-wavelength dimension. In the past ten years, although great progress has been made
17 in subwavelength metallic metamaterials [11], there are still some disadvantages, such as severe
18 ohmic loss and anisotropic properties [12-14]. Over the past few years, all-dielectric
19 metamaterials based on Mie resonances [15], which consist of periodic or aperiodic dielectric
20 resonators made of high-index and low-loss dielectric materials, have become increasingly
21 popular. It has aroused considerable attention for its low intrinsic loss, simple structure, and
22 good compatibility with micromachining [16-18].

23 As to the terahertz all-dielectric metamaterials, some progress has been made and various
24 devices have been developed [19-22]. Researchers use all-dielectric metamaterials to realize
25 isotropic perfect wave absorbers, and discover their application potential in imaging [23],
26 polarization detection [24], and so forth. This type of structure is generally limited by the

1 bandwidth, and the electromagnetic response of the metamaterial after the structure is
2 determined will be determined as well, and its poor tunability and other reasons significantly
3 limit its application. Therefore, according to the design structure of different materials [25-30],
4 several solutions have been proposed (e.g., ferroelectric materials [31], ferromagnetic materials
5 [32]). However, these tunable materials have different limitations, some are difficult to achieve
6 a balance between the performance of the material itself and tunability, some are high
7 preparation cost, poor integration, and some are tunable performance is limited by temperature,
8 external force and other conditions.

9 To solve these problems, in this article, we propose a high mode tunable all-dielectric
10 metasurface based on liquid crystal properties. The metasurface is compounded with the liquid
11 crystal, and using the property of liquid crystal anisotropy, magnetic fields are applied in three
12 directions perpendicular to each other in the all-dielectric metasurface. When the magnetic field
13 strength is significantly greater than the threshold for repositioning the liquid crystal molecules
14 to rearrange, the liquid crystal molecules will be arranged along the direction of the magnetic
15 field [33], thus changing the dielectric properties of the metasurface and realizing the dynamic
16 tunability of the absorption peak of the all-dielectric metasurface.

17 **2 Structural design and simulation**

18 Mie scattering refers to a type of elastic scattering. The energy between particles is transferred
19 to each other during scattering. The above theory analyzes the scattering phenomenon of
20 spherical particles in a homogeneous medium under the irradiation of a monochromatic plane
21 wave by matching Maxwell's equations and boundary conditions to yield an accurate solution.
22 Thus, the all-dielectric metasurface has two modes of resonance: electrical and magnetic. The
23 Mie resonance of all-dielectric materials serves as a mechanism to generate electromagnetic
24 resonance based on displacement current, thus laying a theoretical basis for all-dielectric
25 metasurfaces in the terahertz range. The size design of all-dielectric resonators can be similar
26 to the terahertz wavelength and the scattering intensity will vary with the size of the particle.

1 With the increase of the size of the particle, the scattering intensity is increased, whereas the
 2 shape of the particle should be strictly designed to be spherical. The Mie scattering theory
 3 suggests that the scattering field of the incident electromagnetic wave passing through the
 4 medium particles can be decomposed into a multi-dipole combination mode, and the m-th order
 5 electric/magnetic scattering coefficients are expressed as a_m and b_m [34]:

$$6 \quad a_m = \frac{n\psi_m(nx)\psi'_m(x) - \psi_m(x)\psi'_m(nx)}{n\psi_m(nx)\xi'_m(x) - \xi_m(x)\psi'_m(nx)} \quad (1)$$

$$7 \quad b_m = \frac{n\psi_m(nx)\psi'_m(x) - \psi_m(x)\psi'_m(nx)}{n\psi_m(nx)\xi'_m(x) - n\xi_m(x)\psi'_m(nx)} \quad (2)$$

8 where r_0 denotes the radius of the medium sphere; n represents the refractive index of the
 9 medium sphere, $x = k_0 r_0$; $k_0 = \frac{\omega}{c} = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$ expresses the wave vector in vacuum. ψ_m and ξ_m
 10 represent Riccati-Bessel functions.

11 Lewin studied the electromagnetic response behavior, effective permittivity and effective
 12 permeability of composite materials formed by non-loss dielectric and magnetic particle
 13 spheres dispersed in another continuum using effective medium theory and electromagnetic
 14 scattering theory, which are expressed as follows [35]:

$$15 \quad \varepsilon_{eff} = \varepsilon_h \left[1 + \frac{3v}{\frac{F(\theta) + 2K_e}{F(\theta) - K_e} - v} \right] \quad (3)$$

$$16 \quad \mu_{eff} = \mu_h \left[1 + \frac{3v}{\frac{F(\theta) + 2K_m}{F(\theta) - K_m} - v} \right] \quad (4)$$

$$17 \quad K_e = \frac{\varepsilon_h}{\varepsilon_p} \quad (5)$$

$$18 \quad K_m = \frac{\mu_h}{\mu_p} \quad (6)$$

$$1 \quad v = \frac{4}{3} \pi \left(\frac{r_0}{l} \right)^3 \quad (7)$$

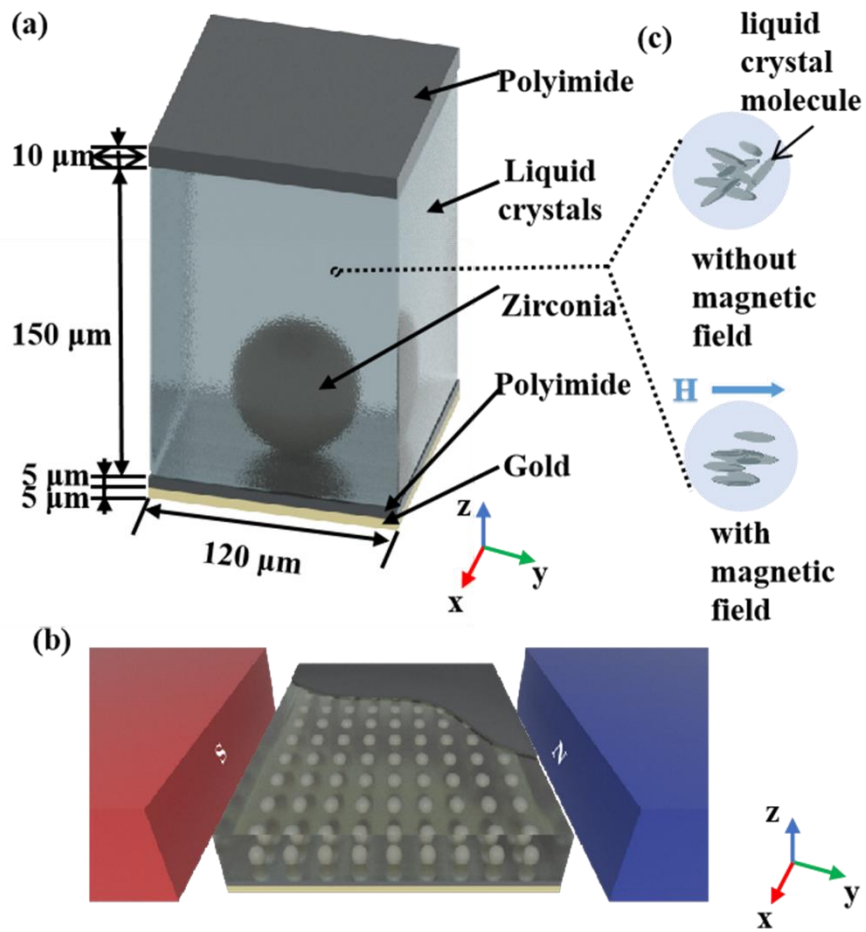
$$2 \quad F(\theta) = \frac{2(\sin \theta - \theta \cos \theta)}{(\theta^2 - 1) \sin \theta + \theta \cos \theta} \quad (8)$$

$$3 \quad \theta = k_0 r_0 \sqrt{\varepsilon_p \mu_p} \quad (9)$$

4 Where ε_p and μ_p denote the relative permittivity and permeability of the microspheres,
5 respectively; ε_h and μ_h represent the relative permittivity and permeability of the continuum,
6 respectively; l expresses the lattice constant. The theory highlights that in the magnetic
7 resonance mode, the electromagnetic wave induces a circular displacement current in the
8 medium microsphere; the microsphere is equivalent to a magnetic dipole while generating a
9 magnetic response; the equivalent magnetic dipole and the electromagnetic field exert a
10 resonance effect, thus making the medium Microspheres are atom-structured metasurfaces with
11 possibly negative values of μ_{eff} . Furthermore, in the electric resonance mode, the metasurface
12 achieves a ε_{eff} that can be negative.

13 After the constituent materials are determined, since the electromagnetic properties of the
14 metasurface are primarily dependent on the design of the structure, the electromagnetic
15 properties of the metasurface will be determined once the structure is determined, and its
16 adjustability is poor. Based on this problem, in this study, the liquid crystal solution is combined
17 with the all-dielectric metasurface, and the electromagnetic properties of the liquid crystal are
18 dynamically adjusted by an external static magnetic field to achieve dynamic tuning of the
19 resonant peak of the all-dielectric metasurface absorber. Through theoretical calculation and
20 empirical analysis, we propose a tunable terahertz all-dielectric metasurface absorber, the unit
21 cell structure of which is shown in Fig. 1(a). The structure consists of a polyimide/ceramic
22 dielectric microsphere array with a thin gold film on the polyimide bottom. The top of the device
23 is a polyimide film, and the middle part is filled with liquid crystal molecules. The geometric

1 parameters of the structure are: lattice constant $P_x = P_y = 120 \mu\text{m}$, and the thickness of the gold
 2 film is set as $5 \mu\text{m}$. The thickness of the polyimide (PI) tape is set as $5 \mu\text{m}$, and the dielectric



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 4 **Fig. 1** (a) Schematic diagram of the unit cell structure of the all-dielectric metasurface. To be
 5 specific, the lattice constant is $120 \mu\text{m}$, the bottom yellow part is a gold film with a thickness
 6 of $5 \mu\text{m}$, and the gray part refers to a layer of polyimide (PI) tape with a thickness of $5 \mu\text{m}$,
 7 and the middle blue part above the PI tape is liquid crystal. The thickness reaches $150 \mu\text{m}$.
 8 The red part wrapped by the liquid crystal is zirconia spherical particles with a radius of $30 \mu\text{m}$.
 9 The gray part on the top refers to a layer of polyimide (PI) tape with a thickness of $5 \mu\text{m}$
 10 and just sticks to the liquid crystal to fix the liquid crystal. (b) Schematic diagram of all-
 11 dielectric metasurface model based on liquid crystal under external magnetic field. (c) The
 12 orientation of liquid crystal molecules with and without magnetic field

1 constant is set as $3 + 0.01i$. The radius of the zirconia set as $5 \mu\text{m}$, and the dielectric constant is
2 set as $3 + 0.01i$. The radius of the zirconia microspheres is set as $30 \mu\text{m}$, and the dielectric
3 constant is set as $32 + 0.05i$. The thickness of the liquid crystal is set as $150 \mu\text{m}$, and the
4 dielectric constant in the respective direction is 2.6896 under no magnetic field. When an
5 external magnetic field is applied, the dielectric constant of the liquid crystal is 3.0276 in the
6 direction of the magnetic field, and 2.5281 in the other two directions. The thickness of the
7 polyimide (PI) tape on the gray part of the uppermost layer is set as $10 \mu\text{m}$, and the dielectric
8 constant is set as $3 + 0.01i$. The boundary condition is that the x direction is the direction of the
9 electric field, and the y direction is the direction of the magnetic field.

10 The all-dielectric metasurface is immersed in liquid crystals. The liquid crystal molecules
11 are parallel to the direction of the magnetic field when the external magnetic field is large
12 enough to exceed the threshold required to reorient the liquid crystal nematic molecules, as
13 presented in Fig. 1(c). The dielectric constant tensor $(\varepsilon_x, \varepsilon_y, \varepsilon_z)$ is adopted to express the
14 electromagnetic properties of liquid crystals. To be specific, the dielectric constants
15 perpendicular to and parallel to the directions of liquid crystal molecules are expressed as ε_{\perp}
16 and $\varepsilon_{//}$, respectively. When no external magnetic field is applied, liquid crystal is an isotropic
17 medium, and its dielectric constant tensor is expressed as $(\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_i)$. It is assumed that liquid
18 crystal molecules can be positioned by a uniform magnetic field. When the magnetic field is set
19 along the x direction, the permittivity tensor is expressed as $(\varepsilon_{//}, \varepsilon_{\perp}, \varepsilon_{\perp})$. After repositioning,
20 the liquid crystal has an ordinary refractive index of 1.59 (n_o) and an extraordinary refractive
21 index of 1.74 (n_e). When the liquid crystal becomes isotropic, the refractive index is expressed
22 as $n_i = (2n_o + n_e)/3 = 1.64$. When there is no external magnetic field, the liquid crystal
23 permittivity tensor is expressed as $(\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_i)$, where $\varepsilon_i = n_i^2$. Accordingly, the
24 electromagnetic properties of the liquid crystal can be adjusted by changing the direction or

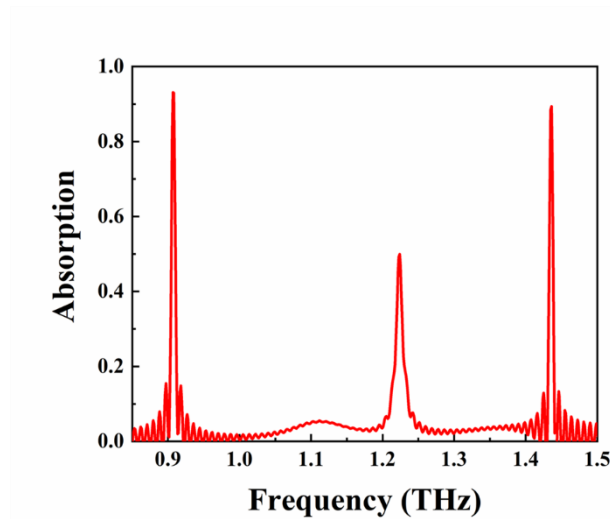
1 strength of the external magnetic field, such that the electromagnetic properties of the all-
 2 dielectric metasurface completely immersed in the liquid crystal are regulated. Furthermore,
 3 the Mie resonance induced in the metasurface can be adjusted by the external magnetic field,
 4 and its tunability is significantly susceptible to external magnetic field control.

5 **Table 1** Initial values of all-dielectric metasurface structural parameters

Lattice constant (μm)	Microsphere radius (μm)	Spherical dielectric constant	Liquid crystal thickness (μm)	PI tape thickness (μm)	PI tape dielectric constant	Upper PI tape thickness (μm)	Upper PI tape dielectric constant
120	30	32	150	5	3	10	3

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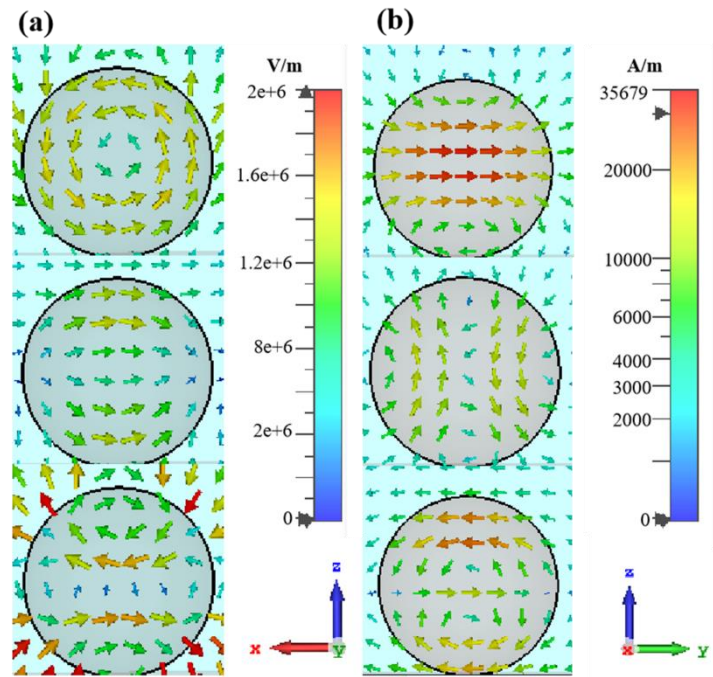
7 The respective structural parameter is taken as a variable, and its initial value is listed in
 8 Table 1. The four external field environments are respectively no external magnetic field,
 9 external magnetic field along x direction, external magnetic field along y direction and external
 10 magnetic field along z direction.



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12 **Fig. 2** In the absence of any external field, the absorption caused by the first three Mie
 13 resonances of the initially designed metasurface absorber is simulated, and the simulated
 14 frequency range is 0.85-1.50 THz

1 The model is built according to the initial parameters of the absorber. To further study the
 2 tunable performance of the all-dielectric absorber, the absorption caused by the first three Mie
 3 resonances will be simulated, as presented in Fig. 2. At this time, the absorption peak 0.931
 4 caused by the first Mie resonance appears at 0.907 THz; the absorption peak 0.499 caused by
 5 the second Mie resonance appears at 1.223 THz; the absorption peak 0.894 caused by the third
 6 Mie resonance appears at 1.433 THz.

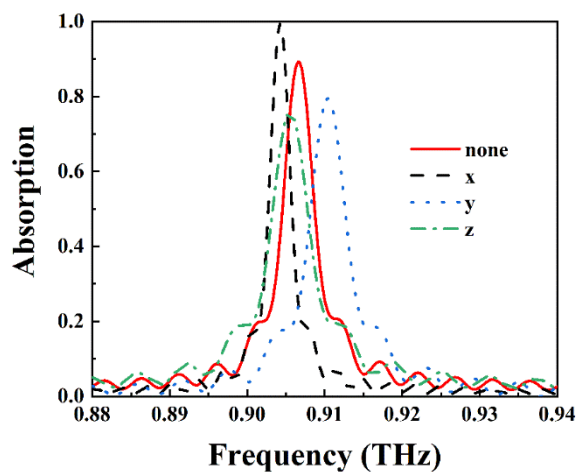


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 8 **Fig. 3** (a) From top to bottom are the electric field distributions of the first three Mie
 9 resonance peaks, where the viewing angle is selected from the bottom and along the y-axis
 10 (magnetic field direction). (b) From top to bottom are the magnetic field distributions of the
 11 first three Mie resonance peaks, where the left side of the viewing angle is selected along the
 12 x-axis (electric field direction)

13 As depicted in Fig. 3, in the electric field distribution of the first-order Mie resonance, the
 14 rotating electric field in the microsphere oscillates along the y-axis (magnetic field direction),
 15 and the magnetic field distribution of the first-order Mie resonance can display a significant
 16 linear magnetic field distribution. Moreover, the all-dielectric metasurface resonator at this
 17 frequency induces the first-order Mie resonance as magnetic resonance. In the magnetic field

1 distribution of the second-order Mie resonance, the rotating electric field in the left and right
2 hemispheres of the microsphere simultaneously oscillates along the x -axis (electric field
3 direction), and the electric field distribution of the second-order Mie resonance displays a
4 significant linear distribution. At this frequency, the all-dielectric metasurface resonator
5 induces the second-order Mie resonance as electric resonance [36]. In the electric field
6 distribution of the third-order Mie resonance, the electric field rotating in the upper and lower
7 hemispheres of the microsphere oscillates along the y -axis (magnetic field direction)
8 simultaneously, and the electric field rotating in the middle part of the microsphere oscillates
9 in the opposite direction. In the third-order Mie resonance, the resonant magnetic field
10 distribution can be considered an overall linear magnetic field distribution. At this frequency,
11 the all-dielectric metasurface resonator induces the third-order Mie resonance as a magnetic
12 resonance. According to the Mie resonance theory, the electromagnetic resonance inside the
13 all-dielectric resonator causes the absorption of electromagnetic waves by the metasurface. This
14 is the basis for studying the work of the all-dielectric absorber, which is verified by the analysis
15 of Fig. 3.

16 3 Simulation results and analysis



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18 **Fig. 4** Absorptivity caused by the first-order Mie resonance of the absorber under four
19 external field environments

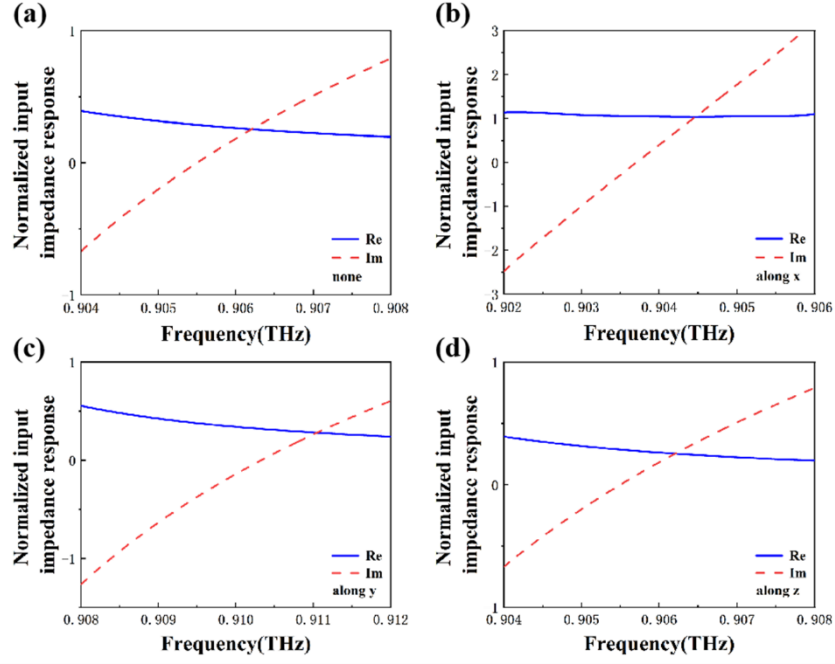


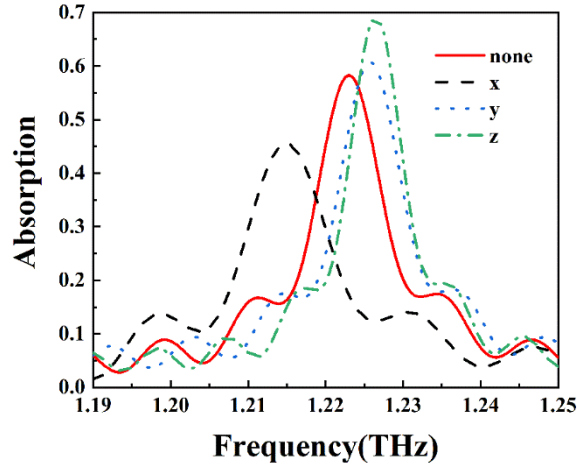
Fig. 5 shows the normalized input impedance response in the first-order. (a) No applied magnetic field (b) applied magnetic field along x-axis (c) applied magnetic field along y-axis (d) applied magnetic field along z-axis

Table 2 Absorption peak offset caused by first-order Mie resonance

	Outfield situation	The frequency position of the absorption peak	Offset compared to no magnetic field
First order Mie resonance (0.88-0.94 THz)	no magnetic field	0.907 THz	
	magnetic field along x	0.904 THz	0.003 THz redshift
	magnetic field along y	0.910 THz	0.003 THz blueshift
	magnetic field along z	0.906 THz	0.001 THz redshift

Then we analyze and compare the absorption peaks and offsets caused by the first three Mie resonances of the proposed absorber according to the four external field environments. As depicted in Fig. 4 and Fig. 5, when the absorber has the first-order Mie resonance in the four external field environments, the absorption peaks correspond to the normalized input impedance responses. As depicted in Fig. 4 and Table 2, the absorption peaks caused by the first-order Mie resonance in the four external field environments are all higher than 0.75. The

1 comparison of absorption peaks in different external field environments and no magnetic field
 2 environments shows that the maximum offset is 0.003 THz, while the tunable performance is
 3 poor at this time.



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 5 **Fig. 6** absorptivity caused by the second-order Mie resonance of the absorber under four
 6 external field environments

7 As depicted in Fig. 6 and Table 3, the maximum value of the absorption peak caused by
 8 the second-order Mie resonance in the four external field environments is 0.69. The comparison
 9 of absorption peaks in different external field environments and no magnetic field environments
 10 shows that the maximum offset is 0.008 THz, while the tunable performance is poor at this time.

11 **Table 3** Absorption peak offset caused by second-order Mie resonance

Second order Mie resonance (1.19-1.25 THz)	Outfield situation	The frequency position of the absorption peak	Offset compared to no magnetic field
	no magnetic field	1.223 THz	
	magnetic field along x	1.215 THz	0.008 THz redshift
	magnetic field along y	1.226 THz	0.003 THz blueshift
	magnetic field along z	1.226 THz	0.003 THz redshift

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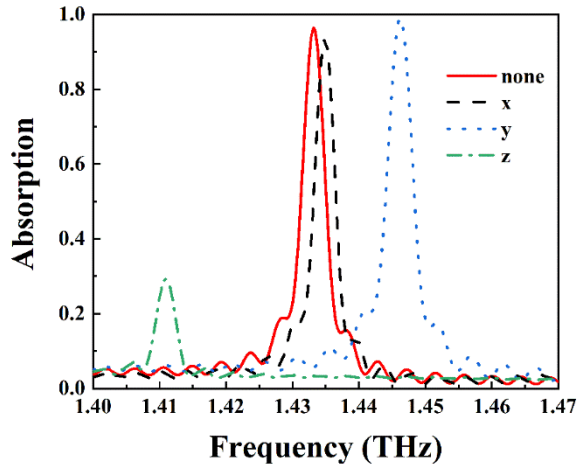


Fig. 7 Absorptivity caused by the third-order Mie resonance of the absorber under four external field environments

As depicted in Fig. 7 and Table 4, the absorption peaks caused by the third-order Mie resonance in the four external field environments are 0.29 when the magnetic field is applied along the z direction, and the absorption peaks in the other three external field environments are all at 0.93 above. The comparison of absorption peaks in different external field environments and no magnetic field environments shows that the maximum offset is 0.022 THz, and the tunable performance is better at this time.

Table. 4 Absorption peak offset caused by third-order Mie resonance

Third order Mie resonance (1.40-1.47 THz)	Outfield situation	The frequency position of the absorption peak	Offset compared to no magnetic field
	no magnetic field	1.433 THz	
	magnetic field along x	1.435 THz	0.002 THz redshift
	magnetic field along y	1.446 THz	0.013 THz blueshift
	magnetic field along z	1.411 THz	0.022 THz redshift

The absorption peaks caused by the first three Mie resonances and the absorption peak offsets in no magnetic field environment and the magnetic field environment in three directions are analyzed and compared, and the result suggests that the first Mie resonance maintains a

1 large high absorption rate, whereas the offset of the absorption peak is significantly small,
 2 which is not a suitable research focus of this topic. The absorption rate of the second-order Mie
 3 resonance is less than 0.66 in different external field environments, and the offset of the
 4 absorption peak is very small, which is also not a suitable research focus of this topic. Except
 5 for the magnetic field along the z direction in the third-order Mie resonance, the absorption rate
 6 is higher than 0.93 in different external field environments, and the offset of the absorption peak
 7 is significant. The research focus will be placed on the third-order Mie resonance.

8 To achieve better tunability, the third-order Mie resonance peak is systematically analyzed.
 9 An absorber structure with efficient tunability in different external field environments is finally
 10 realized through continuous experiments and optimization adjustments. At the same time,
 11 proposed device also maintains high absorption performance within the simulation range.

12 **Table 5** Determines the final structural parameters through analysis and optimization

Lattice constant (μm)	Microsphere radius (μm)	Spherical dielectric constant	Liquid crystal thickness (μm)	PI tape thickness (μm)	PI tape dielectric constant	Upper PI tape thickness (μm)	Upper PI tape dielectric constant
118	30	33	165	6	3	15	3

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 14 We performed a parameter sweep during the design of this absorber and obtained a large
 15 number of simulation results. The scanned parameters include the lattice constant (100-140 μm),
 16 the radius of microspheres (25-35 μm), the dielectric constant of microspheres (28-36), the
 17 thickness of liquid crystal (100-200 μm), the thickness of PI tape (3-8 μm), the dielectric constant
 18 of PI tape (2.5-3.5), the thickness of upper PI tape (5-15 μm) and the dielectric constant of upper
 19 PI tape (2.5-3.5). The absorption peaks of the all-dielectric absorber in four external
 20 environments are analyzed. Finally, the structural parameters with large absorption peak offset
 21 and ideal absorption are determined. After continuous optimization, the final metasurface
 22 absorber structure parameters are as follows, as shown in Table 5.

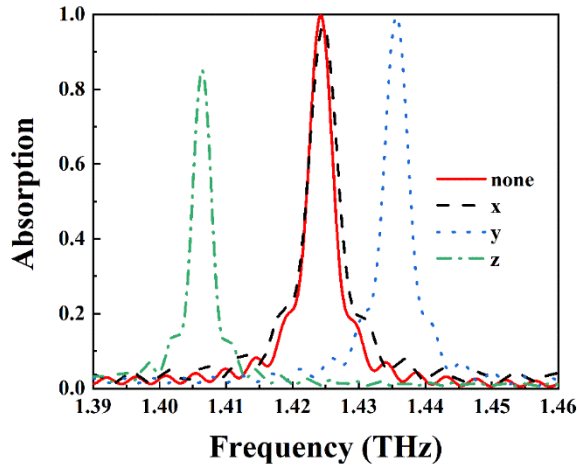


Fig. 8 Absorption peaks caused by the third-order Mie resonance of the metasurface absorber determined in Table 5 under four external field environments

The absorption rate caused by the third-order Mie resonance is calculated according to the structure simulation of the absorber in Table 5, as shown in Fig. 8. When there is no magnetic field, the maximum absorption rate of 0.999 appears at 1.424 THz. When the applied magnetic field is along the x direction, the maximum value of the absorption rate of 0.968 appears at 1.425 THz, and a blueshift of 0.001 THz can be observed from 1.424 to 1.425 THz compared with no magnetic field. When the applied magnetic field is along the y direction, the maximum value of the absorption rate of 0.998 appears at 1.436 THz, and a blueshift of 0.012 THz can be identified compared with no magnetic field, from 1.424 to 1.436 THz. When the applied magnetic field is along the z direction, the maximum value of the absorption rate of 0.855 appears at 1.406 THz, compared with no magnetic field, a redshift of 0.018 THz can be observed, from 1.424 to 1.406 THz. For the third-order Mie magnetic resonance, a tunable maximum of 0.030 THz can be observed from 1.406 to 1.436 THz when the direction of the external magnetic field is changed from the z direction to the y direction. The result suggests that the absorption peaks of the structure in different external field environments are ideal, and the tunable range is relatively large. Under the three environments, including no external magnetic field, external magnetic field along the x direction, and external magnetic field along the y direction, the absorption rate has reached over 0.95; the absorption rate has reached over

1 0.85 and under the environment of the external magnetic field along the z direction. A tuning
 2 figure of merit (FOM) is introduced to quantify the resonance switching, which is given by
 3 [37]:

$$4 \quad FOM = \frac{\text{tuning range}(THz)}{FWHM(THz)} \quad (10)$$

5 where FWHM is the full width at half the maximum resonance. The larger the FOM, the
 6 better the tunability. Here, the FOM of the magnetic resonance reaches 6.67, which shows that
 7 the all-dielectric absorber has good magnetic tunability.

8 **Table 6** Comparison of the performance of this work with other liquid crystal-based
 9 metasurface absorbers in the terahertz range

References	Unit cell structure	Tuning method	The source of tuning	The tuning performance of the devices	Production process
[38]	NJU-LDn-4 NLC and silicon column array	electric field	internal	the absorption tuning range is only 0.01THz and the maximum absorption rate is close to 0.8	medium
[39]	quartz glass and copper etched into a pattern	electric field	internal	the absorption tuning range is 0.01THz and the absorption rate is maintained above 0.9	complicated
[40]	quartz glass and copper etched into a pattern	electric field	internal	the absorption tuning range is 0.02THz and the absorption rate is maintained above 0.9	complicated
this work	zirconia microsphere and polyimide	magnetic field	external	the absorption tuning range is 0.03THz and the minimum absorption rate is higher than 0.85	simple

1 The experimental results suggest that the absorption peaks caused by the third-order Mie
2 resonance of the structure are finally determined to be higher than 0.85, When the direction of
3 the external magnetic field is changed from the z direction to the y direction, the maximum shift
4 of the absorption peak is 0.030 THz, compared with the current research on liquid crystal
5 tunable metamaterial absorbers [38-41], as shown in Table 6, the device proposed in this paper
6 is simple to implement and has high efficiency tunable performance and absorption
7 performance. In this work, the feasibility of effectively adjusting the absorption peak shift of
8 all-dielectric metasurface absorbers proposed by theoretical analysis under different external
9 magnetic field environments is verified by experiments.

10 **4 Conclusion**

11 In brief, there have been rare studies on tunable all-dielectric metasurface absorbers, whereas
12 they have considerable application value in the terahertz range. By systematically studying the
13 tunability performance of the respective absorption peak, we found that high-mode absorption
14 peaks can achieve more efficient tunability. This study proposes a magnetically tunable all-
15 dielectric metasurface absorber based on liquid crystals. Continuous experiments and
16 optimization adjustments in different magnetic field scenarios have achieved a certain degree
17 of shift in the absorption peak of the metasurface, and the absorption peak is more ideal. The
18 all-dielectric metasurface absorber proposed in this study has the advantages of stable tunability,
19 low loss, simple production process, low production cost, miniaturization, high compatibility,
20 and easy transplantation to other devices, and so forth, and solves the problem of tunable
21 absorber design in the terahertz range. The device proposed in this study has an extremely
22 narrow bandwidth, which is conducive to the development and application of terahertz resonant
23 switches and filters. It provides a general method for the design of tunable artificial
24 metamaterial absorbers and opens up new prospects for artificial tunable devices in the terahertz
25 band.

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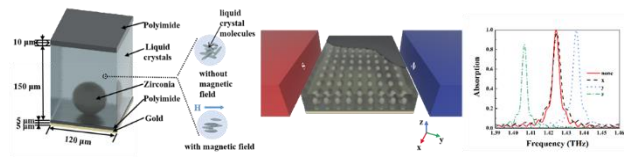
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1 The graphical abstract:



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3 In the terahertz range, this work proposes to composite the all-dielectric metasurface and liquid
4 crystal, and it is found that under the high mode of Mie resonance, the dielectric properties of
5 the liquid crystal change due to the applied magnetic field, so as to realize the efficient active
6 tuning of the absorber absorption peak.