


**Group delay**

As the signal propagates along the fiber each spectral component can be assumed to travel independently and undergo a time delay or group delay per unit length

$$\frac{z_g}{L} = \frac{1}{V_g} = \frac{1}{c} \cdot \frac{dB}{dk}$$



$$k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$$

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$$k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$$

$$\omega = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} c = k \cdot c$$

$$\partial \omega = c \cdot \partial k$$

$$\partial k = \frac{\partial \omega}{c}$$

Now  $V_g = \left( \frac{\partial \omega / c}{\partial B} \right)^{-1} = \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial B}$

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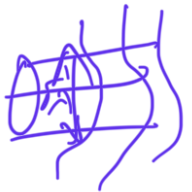
$$dk = -2\pi \lambda^{-2} d\lambda$$

$$\frac{1}{V_g} = \frac{z_g}{L} = \frac{1}{c} \left( \frac{dB}{-2\pi \lambda^{-2} d\lambda} \right)$$

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$$\frac{1}{V_g} = \frac{z_g}{L} = -\frac{\lambda^2}{2\pi c} \left( \frac{dB}{d\lambda} \right)$$

Spectral width =  $\frac{dz_g}{d\lambda} \cdot \delta \lambda$



$$\frac{1}{v_g} = z_g = - \frac{L}{2\pi c} \left( \frac{d\beta}{d\lambda} \right)$$

$$\frac{dz_g}{d\lambda} = - \frac{L}{2\pi c} \cdot \frac{d}{d\lambda} \left( - \lambda^2 \frac{d\beta}{d\lambda} \right)$$

$$\boxed{\text{Spectral width} = - \frac{L}{2\pi c} \left( 2\lambda \frac{d\beta}{d\lambda} + \lambda^2 \frac{d^2\beta}{d\lambda^2} \right) \delta\lambda}$$

In terms of angular frequency GVD

$$\delta z = \frac{dz_g}{d\omega} \delta\omega = \frac{d}{d\omega} \left( - \frac{L}{v_g} \right) \delta\omega$$

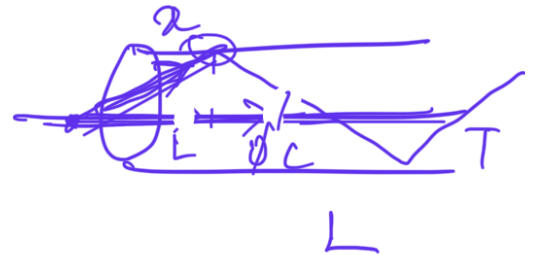
Pulse Spreading  $\delta\lambda$  is characterised in terms RMS

$$\boxed{\sigma_z = \left| \frac{dz_g}{d\lambda} \right| \sigma_\lambda = \frac{L\sigma_\lambda}{2\pi c} \left| 2\lambda \frac{d\beta}{d\lambda} + \lambda^2 \frac{d^2\beta}{d\lambda^2} \right|}$$

$$\boxed{D = \frac{1}{L} \cdot \frac{dz_g}{d\lambda} = \frac{d}{d\lambda} \left| \frac{1}{v_g} \right| = \frac{2\pi c}{\lambda^2} \beta}$$

Dispersion —  $\frac{ps}{nm \cdot km}$

### Modal dispersion



$$\Delta T = T_{\max} - T_{\min}$$

$$T_{\min} = \frac{n_1 L}{c}$$

$$T_{\max} = \frac{n_1}{c} (x)$$

$$T_{\max} = n_1/c \left( \frac{L}{\sin \theta_c} \right)$$

$$\frac{L}{c} = \text{Time taken to travel } L \text{ with speed of } c$$

$$\sin \theta_c = \frac{L}{x}$$

$$\Delta = T_{\max} - T_{\min}$$

$$= \frac{n_1}{c} L \left( \frac{1}{\sin \phi_c} - 1 \right) \quad \sin \phi_c = \frac{n_2}{n_1}$$

$$\Delta = \frac{n_1 L}{c} \left( \frac{n_1}{n_2} - 1 \right)$$

$$= \frac{n_1 L}{c} \left( \frac{n_1 - n_2}{n_2} \right) \quad \Delta n_1$$

$$= \frac{n_1 L}{c} \cdot \frac{\Delta n_1}{n_2} = \frac{n_1^2 L \Delta}{c n_2}$$

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### Material dispersion

$$\beta = \frac{2\pi n(\lambda)}{\lambda}$$

$$k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$$

$$n(\lambda)$$

infinite dielectric medium

$$z_{\max} = L \frac{d\beta}{d\omega}$$

$$= L \frac{d}{d\omega} \left( \frac{2\pi n(\lambda)}{\lambda} \right)$$

$$z_g = \frac{1}{v_g}$$

$$= L \frac{d}{d\omega} \left( \frac{\omega}{c} \cdot n(\lambda) \right)$$

$$\omega = \frac{2\pi c}{\lambda} \quad k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$$

$$= \frac{L}{c} \left( n(\lambda) \cdot \frac{d\omega}{d\omega} + \frac{dn(\lambda)}{d\omega} \cdot \omega \right)$$

$$= \frac{L}{c} \left( n(\lambda) + \frac{dn(\lambda)}{d\omega} \cdot \frac{2\pi c}{\lambda} \right)$$

$$\omega = \frac{2\pi c}{\lambda}$$

$$= \frac{L}{c} n(\lambda) + \left( - \frac{dn(\lambda)}{d\lambda} \cdot \frac{\lambda^2}{\lambda^2} \cdot 2\pi \right) d\omega = \frac{2\pi c}{\lambda^2} \lambda^2$$

$$Z_{mat} = \frac{L}{c} \left( n(\lambda) - \lambda \frac{dn(\lambda)}{d\lambda} \right)$$

Pulse Spread

$$\sigma_{mat} = \left| \frac{dZ_{mat}}{d\lambda} \right| \sigma_{\lambda} = \frac{\sigma_{\lambda} L}{c} \left| \lambda \frac{d^2 n}{d\lambda^2} \right|$$

$$\sigma_{mat} = \sigma_{\lambda} L |D_{mat}(\lambda)|$$



Effects due to waveguide dispersion:-



Group delay normalized propagation constant

$$b = \frac{\beta^2/k^2 - n_2^2}{n_1^2 - n_2^2}$$

$$n_1 - n_2$$

For small values of index difference

$$\Delta = 0.01\%$$

$$\Delta = (n_1 - n_2/n_1)$$

$$b = \frac{\beta/k - n_2}{n_1 - n_2}$$

$$Z_{wg} = \frac{L}{c} \frac{d\beta}{dk} \left( \frac{\beta/k - n_2}{n_1 - n_2} \right)$$

Modal dispersion

$$V \text{ defined } \frac{Z_g}{r} = \frac{1}{V_g} = \frac{1}{c} \frac{d\beta}{dk}$$

$$V = ka (n_1^2 - n_2^2)^{1/2}$$

$\checkmark$

or

$$= -\frac{\lambda^2}{2\pi c} \frac{d\beta}{d\lambda}$$

$$\Delta z$$

$$z_{wg} = \frac{L}{c} \left[ \checkmark n_2 + n_2(b) \right]$$

$\checkmark \quad ka \quad n_1 \quad \sqrt{2\Delta}$   
 $\downarrow$   
 constant

Group delay assuming waveguide dispersion