

Signal Distortion

- **Dispersion**
 - Material
 - Intramodal
 - Intermodal
(Multi-mode only)
- **Attenuation**
 - Material
 - Absorption
 - Scattering $\sim \lambda^{-4}$
 - Micro-bending
 - Radiation
(Macro-bending)

Dispersion

Group Velocity $v_g = \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial \beta} = 2\pi c \frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} (1/\lambda)$

Group Delay per unit length $t_g = 1/v_g$

Pulse Broadening $\tau_s = \frac{dt_g}{d\lambda} \sigma_\lambda = - \frac{\sigma_\lambda}{2\pi c} \left\{ 2\lambda \frac{d\beta}{d\lambda} + \lambda^2 \frac{d^2\beta}{d\lambda^2} \right\}$

Dispersion $D = \frac{dt_g}{d\lambda} =$ Pulse broadening per unit distance per unit spectral width (ps/Km/nm)

Phase constant

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

$$\rightarrow \text{tg} = \frac{\partial \beta}{\partial \omega}$$

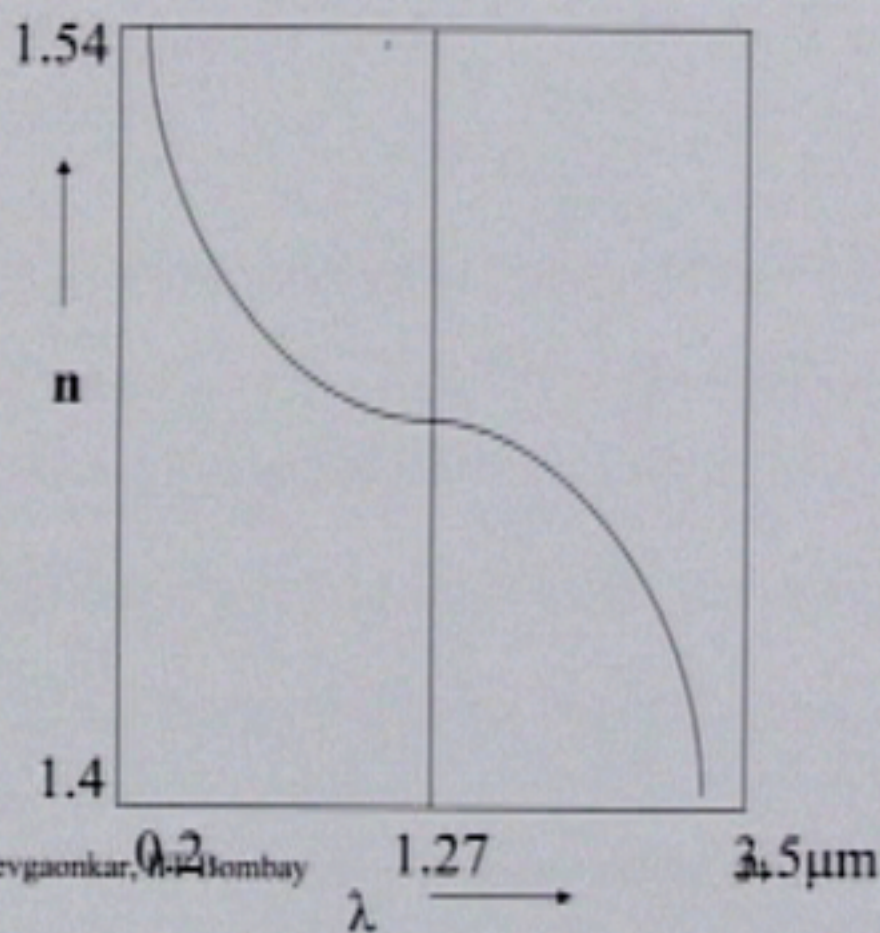
$$D = \frac{d \text{tg}}{d \lambda}$$

$$D_{\text{mat}} = -\frac{\lambda}{c} \frac{d^2 n}{d \lambda^2}$$

Material Dispersion

$$D_{mat} = -\frac{\lambda}{c} \frac{d^2 n}{d\lambda^2}$$

Wavelength λ	D mat ps/Km/nm
850 nm	85
1310 nm	0.1
1550 nm	-20



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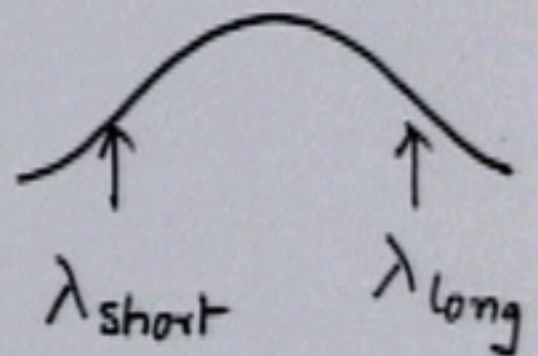
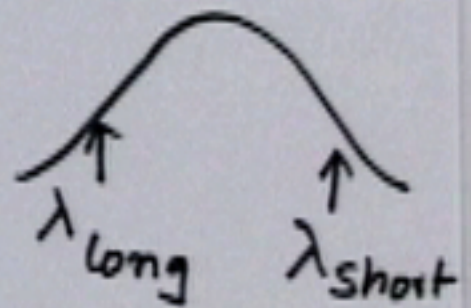
$$D = \frac{d \tan}{d \lambda}$$

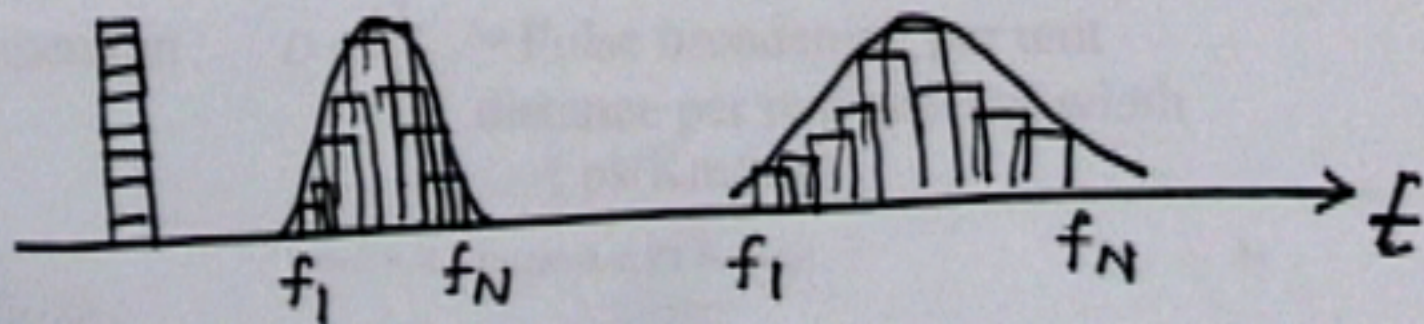
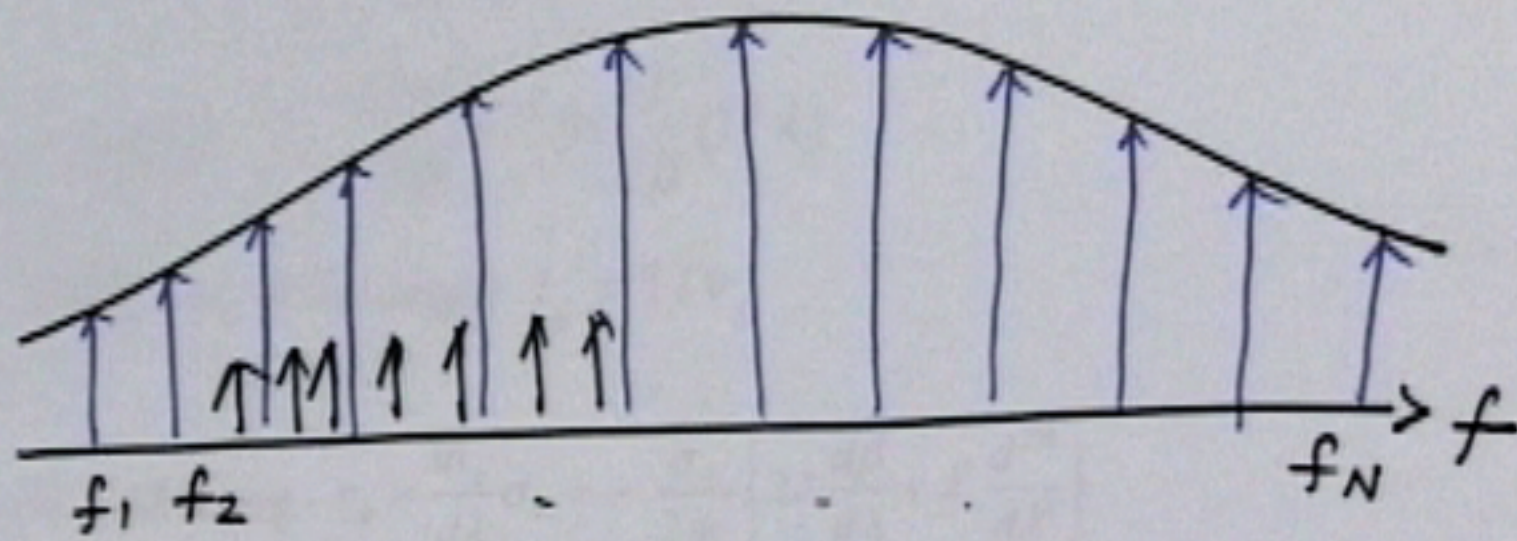
+ve $\tan \uparrow$

-ve $\tan \downarrow$

$\lambda \uparrow$

$\lambda \uparrow$





$$b = \frac{\beta^2 - \beta_2^2}{\beta_1^2 - \beta_2^2} = \frac{(\beta - \beta_2)(\beta + \beta_2)}{(\beta_1 - \beta_2)(\beta_1 + \beta_2)}$$

$$n_1 \approx n_2, \quad \Delta = \frac{n_1 - n_2}{n_1} \approx \frac{n_1 - n_2}{n_2}$$

$$\beta_2 < \beta < \beta_1$$

$$n_2 \beta_0 < \beta < n_1 \beta_0$$

$$b = \frac{\beta - \beta_2}{\beta_1 - \beta_2}$$

$$\beta = \beta_2 + b(\beta_1 - \beta_2)$$

$$= \beta_2 \left\{ 1 + b \frac{\beta_1 - \beta_2}{\beta_2} \right\}$$

$$= \beta_2 \left\{ 1 + b \frac{n_1 - n_2}{n_2} \right\}$$

$$\beta = \beta_2 \{ 1 + b \Delta \}$$

$$= \frac{\omega}{c} n_2 \{ 1 + b \Delta \}$$

Group Delay $t_g = \frac{\partial \beta}{\partial \omega} = \frac{n_2}{c} \{ 1 + b \Delta \} + \frac{n_2 \omega}{c} \frac{db}{d\omega}$

$$t_g = \frac{n_2}{c} \{1 + b\Delta\} + \frac{n_2 \omega}{c} \cdot \frac{db}{dV} \cdot \frac{dV}{d\omega} \Delta$$

$$V = \frac{\omega}{c} a (NA)$$

$$\frac{dV}{d\omega} = \frac{a (NA)}{c} = \frac{V}{\omega}$$

$$t_g = \frac{n_2}{c} \{1 + b\Delta\} + \Delta \frac{n_2 \cancel{\omega}}{c} \cdot \frac{db}{dV} \cdot \frac{V}{\cancel{\omega}}$$

$$= \frac{n_2}{c} \left\{ 1 + b\Delta + \Delta V \frac{db}{dV} \right\}$$

$$t_g = \frac{n_2}{c} \left\{ 1 + \Delta \frac{d(bV)}{dV} \right\}$$

Waveguide Dispersion

$$D_{wg} = \frac{dtg}{d\lambda}$$

$$= \frac{n_2 \Delta}{c} \frac{d}{d\lambda} \left\{ \frac{d(bv)}{dv} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{n_2 \Delta}{c} \frac{d^2(bv)}{dv^2} \cdot \frac{dv}{d\lambda}$$

$$V = \frac{\omega}{c} a (NA) = \frac{2\pi \cdot a \cdot (NA)}{\lambda}$$

$$\frac{dV}{d\lambda} = - \frac{2\pi a (NA)}{\lambda^2} = - \frac{V}{\lambda}$$

Wave-guide Dispersion

Dispersion due to non-linear b-V diagram

$$D_{wg} = -\frac{n_2 \Delta}{c \lambda} V \frac{d^2(bV)}{dV^2}$$

At 800 nm $D_{mat} \gg D_{wg}$

At 1300nm $D_{mat} \ll D_{wg}$

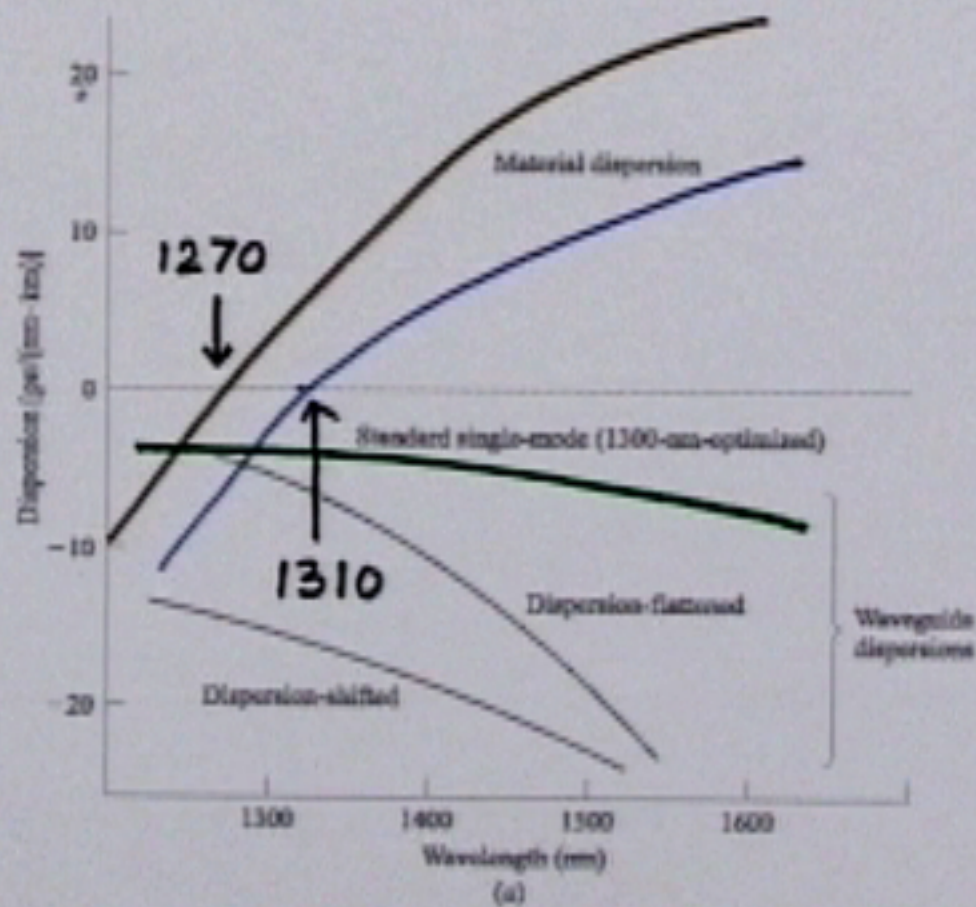
Dwg peaks around $V = 1.2$

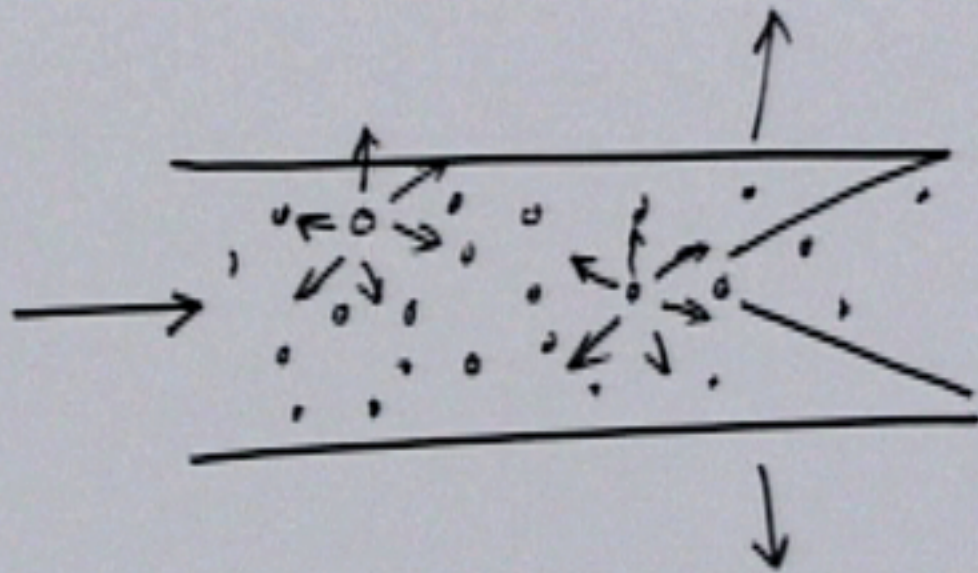
To reduce waveguide dispersion V-number should be close to but not greater than or equal to 2.4

Chromatic Dispersion

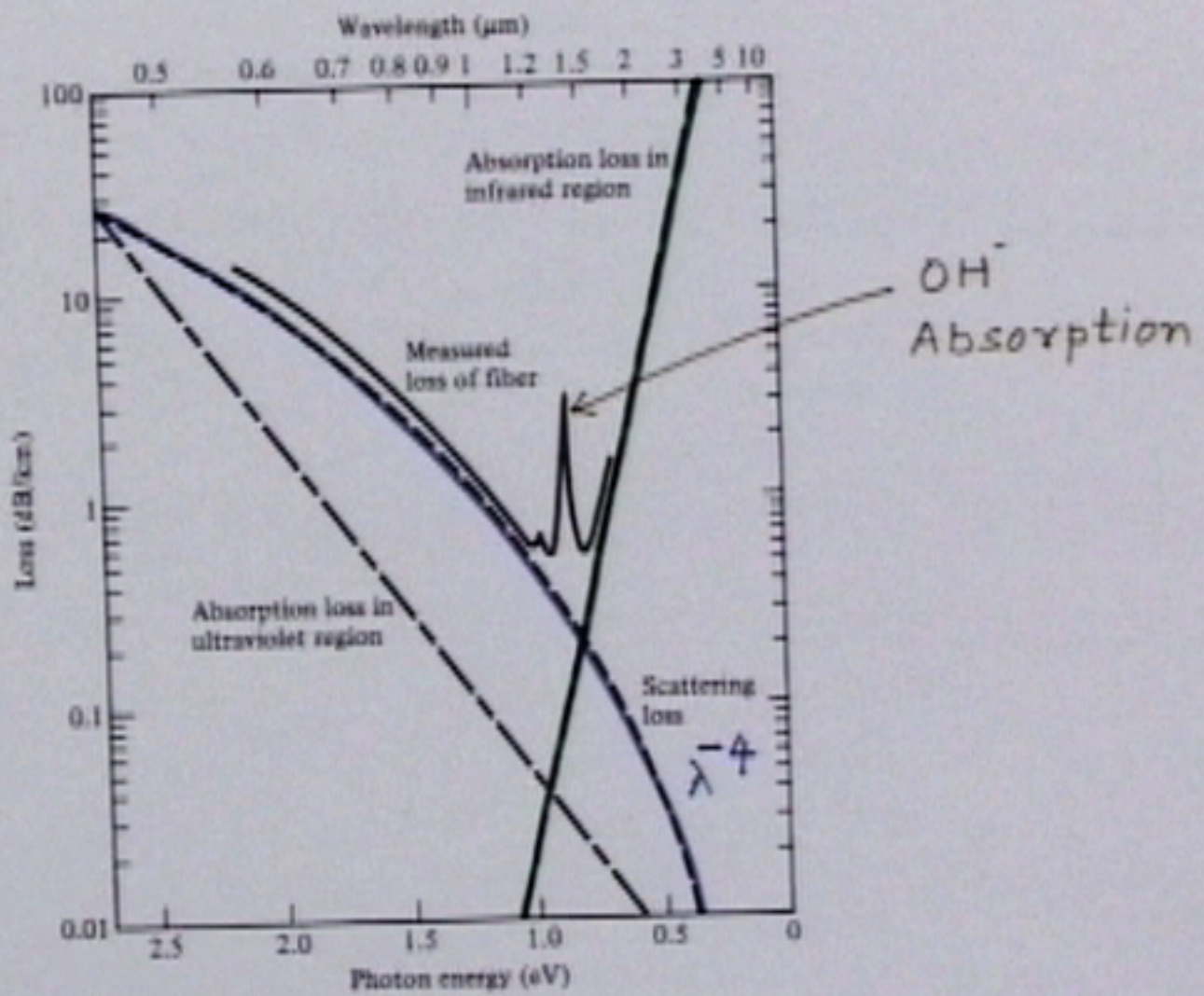
$$= D_{\text{mat}} + D_{\text{wg}}$$

SM-fiber dispersions

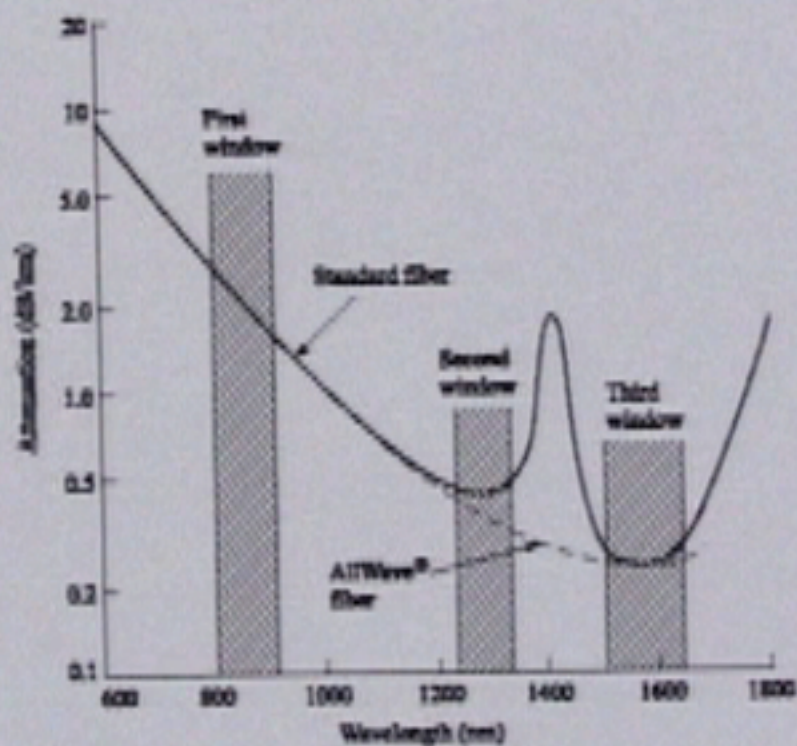




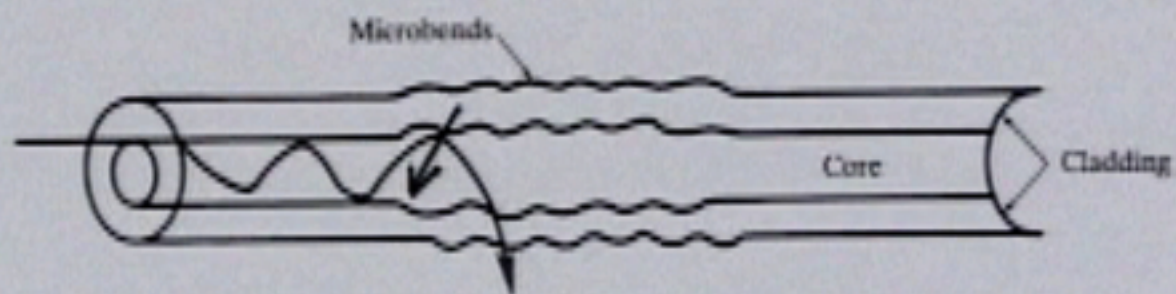
Attenuation characteristics



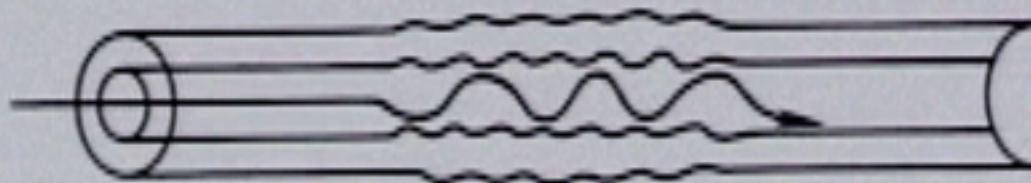
Optical fiber attenuation



Microbending losses



Power loss from higher-order modes



Power coupling to higher-order modes