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# Statistics of Chromatic Dispersion Parameters

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# Background

- The zero dispersion wavelength (ZDW) and dispersion Slope (So), have been modeled as bivariate normal distribution with mean and standard deviations values described in Cole\_3dj\_optx\_01\_230427, <u>liu\_3dj\_01a\_2307</u>, and <u>johnson\_3dj\_2307</u>.
  - Initial models assume uncorrelated ZDW and So.
- Fiber dispersion modeling shown in <u>castro 3dj optx 01 240222</u> indicates that for a given fiber design, the random perturbation on the fiber produce negative correlations between ZDW and So.
- The impact of correlation on models assuming a degree of negative correlation was estimated in <u>rodes 3dj optx 01a 240222</u>, assuming a correlation coefficient, (ρ) of -0.5.
- Here we propose a modification of the model based on separating systematic parameters related to the fiber design (which depends on the manufacturer) from the natural randomness occurring during manufacturing.

#### Impact of ZDW and So Correlation on CD

- Assuming  $\rho = -0.5$ , rodes 3dj optx 01a 240222 shows the effect of the correlation on the ZDW and SO distributions.
- More negative ρ reduces the probability of large negative dispersion, but it increases the probability of larger positive dispersion in the channel.



#### The negative correlation between ZDW and So

Summary of Modeling presented in <u>castro 3dj optx 01 240222</u>

## Fundamental Relationships Among Optical Parameters in Fiber Optics

- Single-mode fiber transmits light through total internal reflection (TIR), necessitating a refractive index contrast, Δn, between the core and cladding.
- The value of Δn and the shape of the refractive index profile determine the relationship between the zero-dispersion wavelength (ZDW) and the slope (So).
- Modeling using real refractive index profiles can help us to understand the degree of dependence between ZDW and So, in ideal conditions and when noise is incorporated.



## Modeling Method

- The refractive index (RI) profile of 11 fibers form three major vendors was measured.
  - Fibers are G.657 A1 and G.657 A2
  - Fiber were purchased around 2018.
- The refractive index of each fiber was slightly modified, by random noise or distortion of the RI.
  - The distortion was small and from a large set of generated fibers only the ones with cut-off wavelengths around 1260 nm were included in the simulation sets.

# **Modeling Method**



Random noise added to measured refractive index of each fiber to increase population Cut-off wavelength around 1260 nm is maintained to majority of simulated fibers More information in castro 3dj optx 01 240222

#### Results Grouped by type of Refractive Index profile



## Analysis

- Modeling results show that for a given fiber design, random perturbations (which can represent a manufacturer's variation), produce a negative correlation between ZDW and So.
- However, when major changes in the fiber design are imposed in the simulation, which could correspond to a different fiber design or process, the ZDW and So show lower correlation.



- Four manufacturers with four different mean parameters.
- The mean parameters are uncorrelated since those depend on the manufacturer.
- The random perturbation within each population show a negative correlation<sub>10</sub>

# Proposed Modification on the CD Model

- Instead of assuming a negative correlation for all elements of the distribution, use Cole's approach which utilizes uniform uncorrelated distribution for the mean values ZDW and So.
  - Dots inside the blue circle.
- Those mean values represent design/process parameters chosen by each manufacturer (systematic variations). Those parameters do not follow the negative correlation.
- For each manufacturer, the process randomness produces negative correlations between So and ZDW.
- Here it is proposed initially to use a value around -0.7 based on current simulation results.



distribution (blue circle)

## **Summary and Discussion**

- Chromatic dispersion simulations based on measured refractive index profiles show a tendency for negative correlation when random perturbations are imposed on the refractive index.
- Correlation is reduced when mixing processes or fiber designs.
- A negative correlation reduces the probability of sampling worst-case negative dispersion while increasing the probability of worst-case positive dispersion.
- The preliminary work showed here proposes a method to incorporate the negative dispersion in the ZDW and So distributions aiming for a conservative and accurate representation of chromatic dispersion.