

Effect of Refractive Index Profile of Multimode-fiber on Nonlinear Beam Self-cleaning

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INTRODUCTION

◆ Numerical simulation shows that beam self-cleaning can be achieved by **optimizing the refractive index profile**

◆ In order to realize Kerr self-cleaning, a **method for optimizing optical fiber parameters is proposed**

SIMULATION RESULTS

$$n^2(\rho) = \begin{cases} n_0^2 [1 - 2\Delta (\frac{\rho}{R})^\alpha], & \rho \leq R \\ n_0^2 (1 - 2\Delta), & \rho > R \end{cases}$$

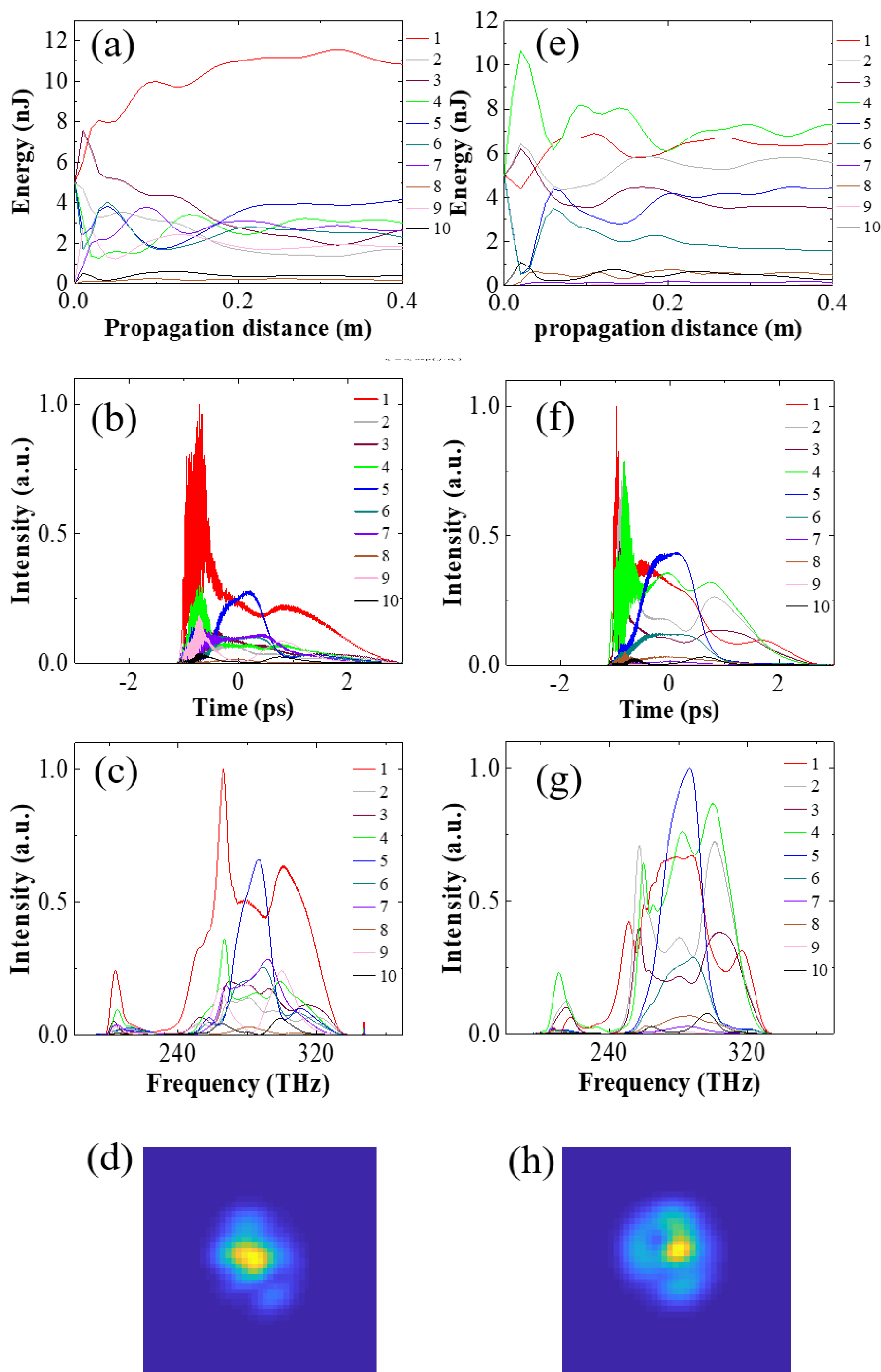


Fig. 1 Numerical results of nonlinear pulse propagation in MMFs with different refractive index profile, (a-d) $\alpha=1.97$ and (e-h) $\alpha=1.955$. (a,e) Evolution of energy distribution along the distance. Mode-resolved (b,f) temporal shapes and (c,g) spectra, and (d,h) the whole beam profiles of the output pulses.

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We studied the influence of the fiber parameters, α and NA, on the beam self-cleaning. The ratio of fundamental mode content to total energy after transmission are shown in Fig. 2.

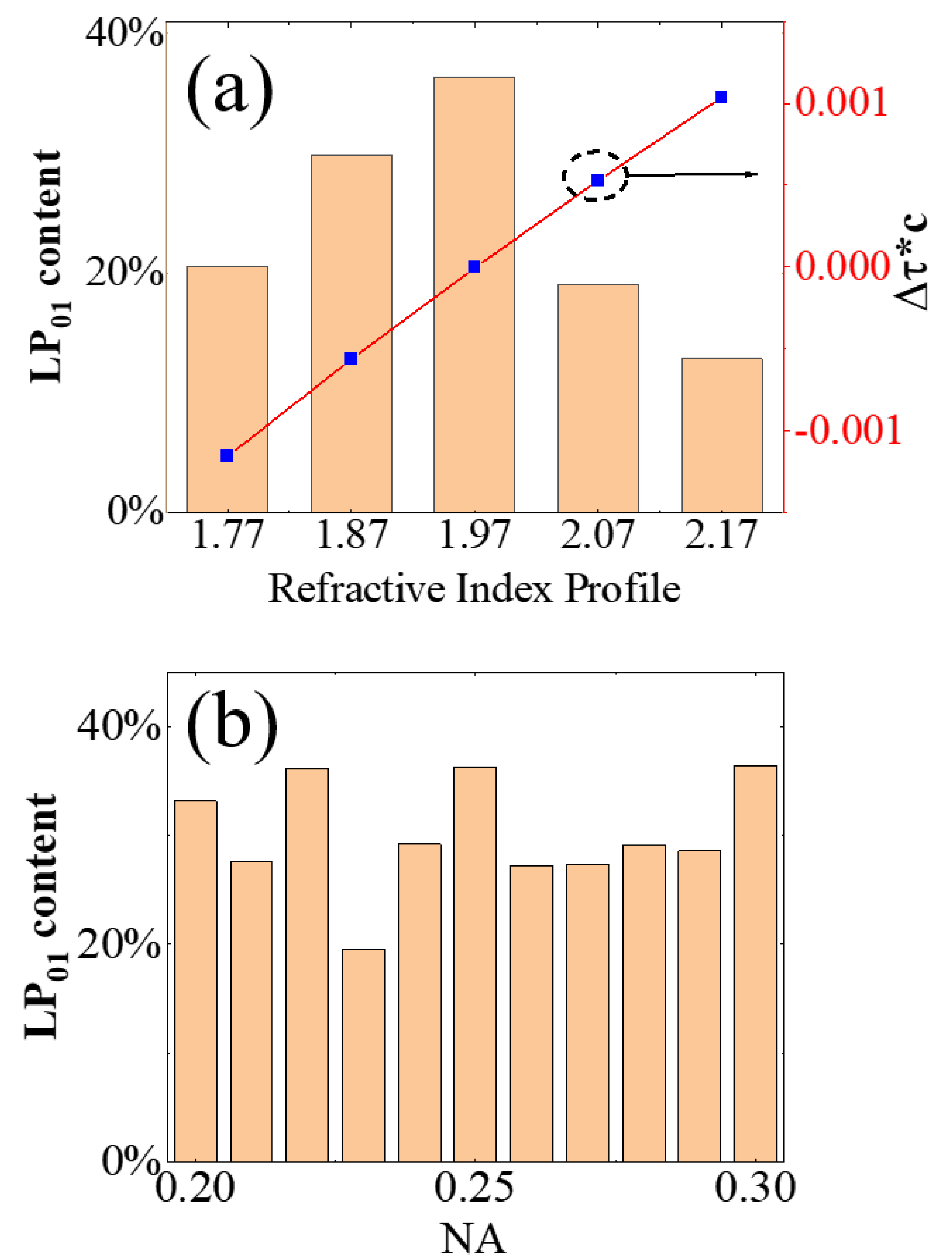


Fig. 2 The calculated output LP_{01} content for different fiber parameters, (a) $NA=0.25$, refractive index profile α and (b) $\alpha=1.97$, NA.

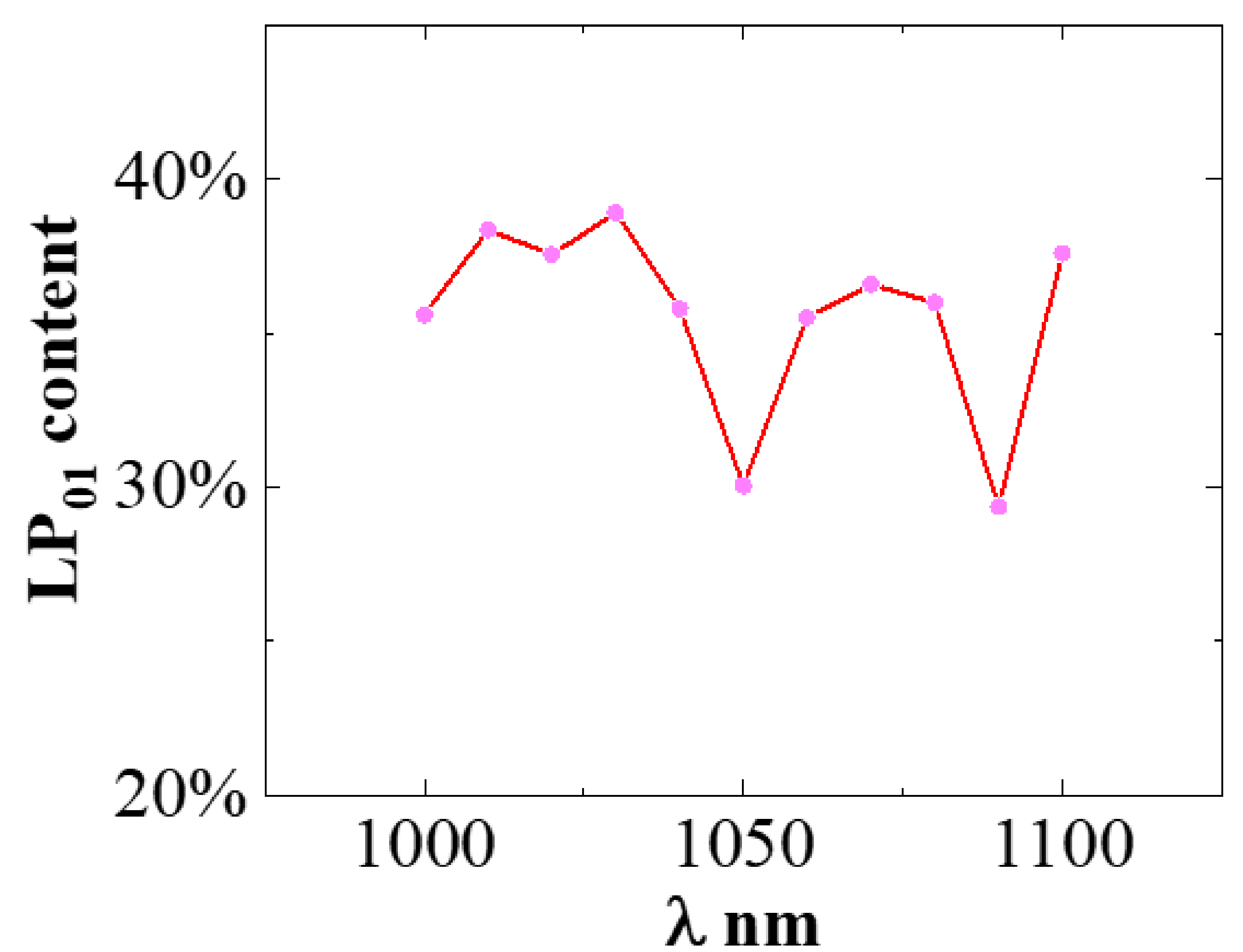


Fig. 3 The calculated output LP_{01} content for different center wavelength of input pulses. For each wavelength, the fiber parameter α is optimized by minimizing the modal dispersion.

CONCLUSIONS

- ◆ **Changing the refractive index profile has a great influence on Kerr self-cleaning phenomenon of the multimode fiber.**
- ◆ **The optimized value of the refractive index profile can be calculated by letting the modal dispersion approach to zero.**