

Data underlying the results presented in  
*The Airy fibre: an optical fibre that guides light diffracted by a circular aperture* by I. Gris-Sánchez et al  
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These data files were prepared on a PC running Microsoft Windows 8.1.

*t1\_design\_constants.txt* (list of  $(N, i, P_{N,i}, C_{N,i}, A_{N,i})$  in text form)

constants used to define the mode profile in Eqs. 7 and 8 for  $N$  from 0 to 8, presented in Table 1 for  $N \leq 3$

*02a\_exact\_profile.txt* (list of  $(R, \nu(R))$  in text form)

normalised index profile calculated using Eq. 3 and the exact Airy pattern of Eq. 5, presented in Fig. 2(a)

*02b\_approx\_profile.txt* (list of  $(R, \nu(R))$  in text form)

normalised index profile calculated using Eq. 3 and the approximate Airy mode of Eq. 8, presented in Figs. 2(b) and 5(b)

*03a\_basis\_functions.txt* (list of  $(R, f_{1,1}(R), f_{1,2}(R), f_{1,3}(R), f_{1,4}(R))$  in text form)

basis functions  $f_{N,i}(R)$  defined by Eq. 7, presented in Fig. 3(a)

*03b\_airy\_mode.txt* (list of  $(R, \psi(R))$  in text form)

Airy mode from Eq. 8, presented as the dashed black curve in Fig. 3(b)

*04a\_truncated\_cladding\_index.txt* (list of  $(R_c, \nu_c)$  in text form)

Normalised index  $\nu_c$  of uniform cladding required if the profile is truncated at  $R_c$ , presented in Fig. 4(a)

*04b\_truncated\_modes.txt* (list of  $(R, \psi(R), \psi(R), \psi(R), \psi(R))$  in text form)

Airy modes untruncated and truncated at  $R_c = 3.05, 3.2$  and  $3.35$  respectively, presented in Fig. 4(b)

*05a\_truncated\_mode.txt* (list of  $(R, \psi(R))$  in text form)

Airy mode truncated at  $R_c = 3.2$ , presented in Fig. 5(a)

*05b\_truncated\_profile.txt* (list of  $(R, \nu(R))$  in text form)

normalised index profile for the truncated Airy mode, presented in Fig. 5(b) and Fig. 6

*06\_other\_modes.txt* (list of  $(R, \psi_{0,1}(R), \psi_{1,1}(R), \psi_{2,1}(R), \psi_{0,2}(R), \psi_{0,3}(R), \psi_{0,4}(R))$  in text form)

radial distributions of  $LP_{l,m}$  modes  $\psi_{l,m}$  of Airy fibre, all but  $LP_{0,3}$  presented in Fig. 6 with  $\sin(l\theta)$  angular variation

*07a\_other\_wavelengths.txt* (list of  $(R, \psi(R), \psi(R), \psi(R))$  in text form)

Airy modes at wavelengths  $\lambda/\lambda_0 = 0.8, 1.0$  and  $1.2$  (left to right along each data row), presented in Fig. 7(a)

*07ai\_overlap.txt* (list of  $(\lambda/\lambda_0, \Omega)$  in text form)

overlap of Airy mode with Airy pattern versus wavelength, presented in Fig. 7(a) inset

*07b\_dispersions.txt* (list of  $(\lambda_0/\lambda, \nu)$  in text form)

normalised effective indices  $\nu$  versus frequency for the first 12  $l = 0$  modes, presented in Fig. 7(b)

*07bi\_anticrossing.txt* (list of  $(R, \psi_1(R), \psi_2(R), \psi_3(R))$  in text form)

modes of the Airy fibre:  $LP_{04}$  at  $\lambda_0/\lambda = 1.3$ ,  $LP_{04}$  at  $\lambda_0/\lambda = 1.9$  and  $LP_{05}$  at  $\lambda_0/\lambda = 1.9$  (left to right along each data row), presented in Fig. 7(b) insets

*08\_approx\_profile\_adjusted.txt* (list of  $(r/a, \Delta n)$  in text form)

index profile (relative to undoped silica) of the final design adjusted as described in section 3A, presented as the red curve in Fig 8(a)

(the measured refractive index profile data in Fig. 8 are proprietary to Draka Comteq Fiber BV)

*09a\_micrograph.JPG* (jpg image)

micrograph image of endface of Airy fibre, presented as Fig. 9(a)

*09b\_micrograph\_profile.txt* (list of (pixel intensity values) in text form)

pixel values across the cross-section of a micrograph of the fibre endface, presented as Fig. 9(b)

*10a\_airy\_saturated.png* (png image)

near-field image of light in the Airy mode, presented as Fig. 10(a)

*10a\_airy\_unsaturated.png* (png image)

near-field image of light in the Airy mode with higher ND filtering, presented as Fig. 10(a) inset

*10a\_airy\_dark.png* (png image)

dark image, which was subtracted from Airy mode images to produce Fig. 10(a) and hence the data for Fig. 10(b), and to identify stuck pixels

*10b\_airy\_mode\_field.xlsx* (2D array of pixel values in an Excel file)

field distribution in the Airy mode calculated from the near-field images, with the saturated image data scaled down to compensate for differential ND filtering, presented as Fig. 10(b)

*11\_other\_left.tif* (tiff image)

near-field image of light in other modes, presented as left panel of Fig. 11

*11\_other\_middle.tif* (tiff image)

near-field image of light in other modes, presented as middle panel of Fig. 11

*11\_other\_right.tif* (tiff image)

near-field image of light in other modes, presented as right panel of Fig. 11

*12a\_far\_field\_ideal.txt* (list of  $(k, \Psi(k))$  in text form)

radial Fourier transform  $\Psi$  for the ideal untruncated Airy pattern, presented as Fig. 12(b)

*12b\_far\_field\_truncated.txt* (list of  $(k, \Psi(k))$  in text form)

radial Fourier transform  $\Psi$  for the Airy pattern truncated to the first three rings, presented as Fig. 12(b)

*12c\_far\_field\_expt.png* (png image)

far field image of light emerging from Airy fibre, presented as Fig. 12(c)