

Nonlinear Optical Engineering

Four-Wave Mixing

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Cross-Phase Modulation (XPM)

Constitutive relations for E-field:

$$\mathbf{D} = \varepsilon \mathbf{E} = \varepsilon_0 \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{P},$$

$$\mathbf{P} = \varepsilon_0 \chi \mathbf{E} = \varepsilon_0 (\chi^{(1)} \mathbf{E} + \chi^{(2)} \mathbf{E}\mathbf{E} + \chi^{(3)} \mathbf{E}\mathbf{E}\mathbf{E} + \dots)$$

Suppose that there are two monochromatic waves:

$$\mathbf{E}(r, t) = \frac{1}{2} \hat{x} [E_1 \exp(-i\omega_1 t) + E_2 \exp(-i\omega_2 t)] + c.c.$$

Induced nonlinear polarization:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{P}_{NL}(r, t) &= \varepsilon_0 \chi^{(3)} \mathbf{E}\mathbf{E}\mathbf{E} = \frac{1}{2} \hat{x} \{ P_{NL}(\omega_1) \exp(-i\omega_1 t) + P_{NL}(\omega_2) \exp(-i\omega_2 t) \\ &+ P_{NL}(2\omega_1 - \omega_2) \exp[-i(2\omega_1 - \omega_2)t] \\ &+ P_{NL}(2\omega_2 - \omega_1) \exp[-i(2\omega_2 - \omega_1)t] \} + c.c \\ &+ \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$\leftarrow P_{NL}(\omega_1) = \chi_{eff} (|E_1|^2 + 2|E_2|^2) E_1$$

$$P_{NL}(\omega_2) = \chi_{eff} (|E_2|^2 + 2|E_1|^2) E_2$$

$$\chi_{eff} = \frac{3\varepsilon_0 \chi_{xxxx}^{(3)}}{4}$$

Nonlinear Pulse Propagation with XPM

NLSE:

$$\frac{\partial A}{\partial z} + \beta_1 \frac{\partial A}{\partial t} + i \frac{\beta_2}{2} \frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial t^2} + \frac{\alpha}{2} A = i\gamma |A|^2 A$$

Coupled NLSEs:

$$\frac{\partial A_1}{\partial z} + \beta_{11} \frac{\partial A_1}{\partial t} + i \frac{\beta_{21}}{2} \frac{\partial^2 A_1}{\partial t^2} + \frac{\alpha_1}{2} A_1 = i\gamma_1 (|A_1|^2 + 2|A_2|^2) A_1,$$

$$\frac{\partial A_2}{\partial z} + \beta_{12} \frac{\partial A_2}{\partial t} + i \frac{\beta_{22}}{2} \frac{\partial^2 A_2}{\partial t^2} + \frac{\alpha_2}{2} A_2 = i\gamma_2 (|A_2|^2 + 2|A_1|^2) A_2.$$

Modulation instability?

Optical solitons?

3rd-Order Susceptibility (1)

How many elements for χ_{ijkl} ? $\rightarrow 81$ elements

For isotropic media: $\rightarrow 21$ nonzero elements

$$\chi_{1111} = \chi_{2222} = \chi_{3333},$$

$$\chi_{1122} = \chi_{1133} = \chi_{2211} = \chi_{2233} = \chi_{3311} = \chi_{3322},$$

$$\chi_{1212} = \chi_{1313} = \chi_{2323} = \chi_{2121} = \chi_{3131} = \chi_{3232},$$

$$\chi_{1221} = \chi_{1331} = \chi_{2112} = \chi_{2332} = \chi_{3113} = \chi_{3223}.$$

\leftarrow Centrosymmetry

In addition:

$$\chi_{1111} = \chi_{1122} + \chi_{1212} + \chi_{1221}$$

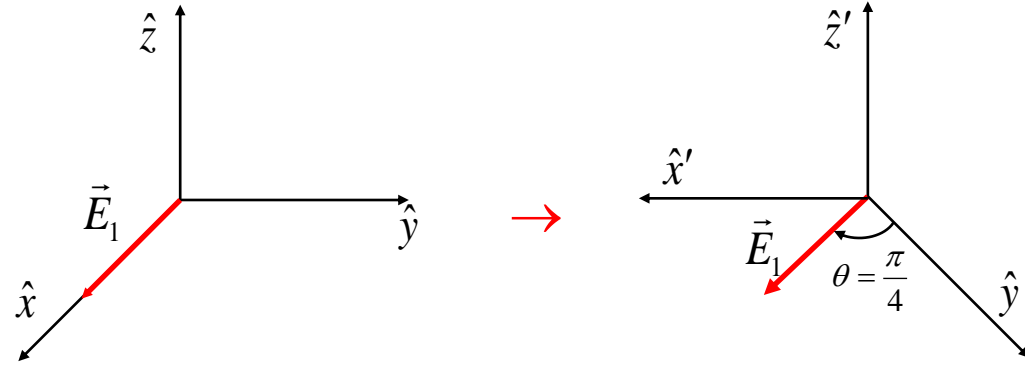
\rightarrow In the compact form:

$$\chi_{ijkl} = \chi_{1122} \delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} + \chi_{1212} \delta_{ik} \delta_{jl} + \chi_{1221} \delta_{il} \delta_{jk}$$

3rd-Order Susceptibility (2)

Rotation invariant:

$$\vec{P}_{NL} = \hat{x} \frac{3}{4} \varepsilon_0 \chi_{xxxx}^{(3)} |E_1|^2 E_1 = \vec{P}'_{NL}$$



$$\vec{E}'_1 = \hat{x}' \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} E_1 + \hat{y}' \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} E_1 = \hat{x}' E'_{1,x} + \hat{y}' E'_{1,y}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P'_{NL,x'} &= \frac{3}{4} \varepsilon_0 (\chi_{xxxx}^{(3)} |E'_{1,x}|^2 E'_{1,x} + \chi_{xxyy}^{(3)} |E'_{1,y}|^2 E'_{1,x} + \chi_{xyxy}^{(3)} |E'_{1,y}|^2 E'_{1,x} + \chi_{xyyx}^{(3)} |E'_{1,y}|^2 E'_{1,x}) \\ &= \frac{3}{4} \varepsilon_0 |E_1|^2 E_1 \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} (\chi_{xxxx}^{(3)} + \chi_{xxyy}^{(3)} + \chi_{xyxy}^{(3)} + \chi_{xyyx}^{(3)}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P'_{NL,y'} &= \frac{3}{4} \varepsilon_0 (\chi_{yyyy}^{(3)} |E'_{1,y}|^2 E'_{1,y} + \chi_{yyxx}^{(3)} |E'_{1,x}|^2 E'_{1,y} + \chi_{yxyx}^{(3)} |E'_{1,x}|^2 E'_{1,y} + \chi_{yxxy}^{(3)} |E'_{1,x}|^2 E'_{1,y}) \\ &= \frac{3}{4} \varepsilon_0 |E_1|^2 E_1 \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} (\chi_{xxxx}^{(3)} + \chi_{xxyy}^{(3)} + \chi_{xyxy}^{(3)} + \chi_{xyyx}^{(3)}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow \chi_{xxxx} = \chi_{xxyy} + \chi_{xyxy} + \chi_{xyyx}$$

$$\vec{P}'_{NL} = \hat{x}' P'_{NL,x'} + \hat{y}' P'_{NL,y'}$$

$$\vec{P}'_{NL} = \sqrt{2} P'_{NL,x'} = \frac{3}{4} \varepsilon_0 |E_1|^2 E_1 \frac{1}{2} (\chi_{xxxx}^{(3)} + \chi_{xxyy}^{(3)} + \chi_{xyxy}^{(3)} + \chi_{xyyx}^{(3)})$$

Four-Wave Mixing (FWM)

Consider four optical waves oscillating at ω_1 , ω_2 , ω_3 , and ω_4 :

$$\mathbf{E}(r, t) = \frac{1}{2} \hat{x} \sum_{j=1}^4 E_j \exp[i(k_j z - \omega_j t)] + c.c.$$

Induced nonlinear polarization:

$$\mathbf{P}_{NL} = \varepsilon_0 \chi^{(3)} \mathbf{E} \mathbf{E} \mathbf{E} = \frac{1}{2} \hat{x} \sum_{j=1}^4 P_j \exp[i(k_j z - i\omega_j t)] + c.c. \\ + \dots$$

For ω_4 :

$$P_4 = \frac{3\varepsilon_0 \chi_{xxxx}^{(3)}}{4} [|E_4|^2 E_4 + 2(|E_1|^2 + |E_2|^2 + |E_3|^2) E_4 \\ + 2E_1 E_2 E_3 \exp(i\theta_+) + 2E_1 E_2 E_3^* \exp(i\theta_-) + \dots],$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} \theta_+ = (k_1 + k_2 + k_3 - k_4)z - (\omega_1 + \omega_2 + \omega_3 - \omega_4)t \\ \theta_- = (k_1 + k_2 - k_3 - k_4)z - (\omega_1 + \omega_2 - \omega_3 - \omega_4)t \end{cases}$$

*Easy for
phase-matching*

→ Four-wave mixing

Phase-Matching Condition

Energy conservation:

$$\omega_3 + \omega_4 - \omega_1 - \omega_2 = 0$$

$$\omega_3 + \omega_4 - 2\omega_1 = 0 \leftarrow \omega_1 = \omega_2$$

Momentum conservation:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta k &= k_3 + k_4 - k_1 - k_2 \\ &= (n_3\omega_3 + n_4\omega_4 - n_1\omega_1 - n_2\omega_2) / c = 0 \end{aligned}$$

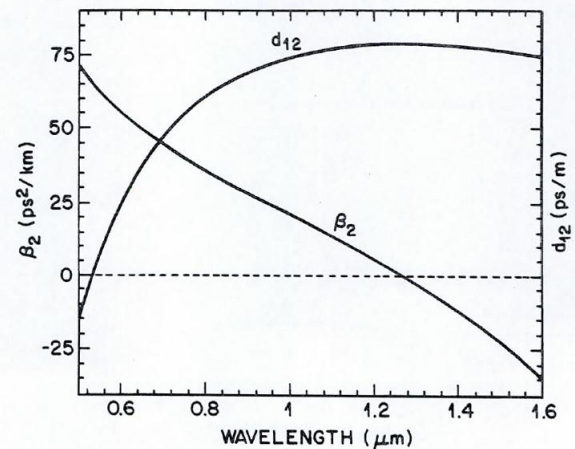
$$\begin{aligned} \Delta k &= k_3 + k_4 - 2k_1 \\ &= (n_3\omega_3 + n_4\omega_4 - 2n_1\omega_1) / c = 0 \leftarrow \omega_1 = \omega_2 \end{aligned}$$

Is this it?

Recall: $\beta(\omega) = n(\omega) \frac{\omega}{c} = \beta_0 + \beta_1(\omega - \omega_0) + \frac{1}{2}\beta_2(\omega - \omega_0)^2 + \dots$,

where $\beta_m = \left(\frac{d^m \beta}{d\omega^m} \right)_{\omega=\omega_0}$ ($m = 1, 2, 3, \dots$)

Consider work-off length!



Coupled-Wave Equations

Complex-field amplitudes :

$$E_j(\mathbf{r}) = F_j(x, y)A_j(z),$$

Coupled-wave equations :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dA_1}{dz} &= \frac{in'_2\omega_1}{c} [(f_{11}|A_1|^2 + 2\sum_{j\neq 1}|A_j|^2)A_1 + 2f_{1234}A_2^*A_3A_4e^{i\Delta kz}] \\ \frac{dA_2}{dz} &= \frac{in'_2\omega_2}{c} [(f_{22}|A_2|^2 + 2\sum_{j\neq 2}|A_j|^2)A_2 + 2f_{2134}A_1^*A_3A_4e^{i\Delta kz}] \\ \frac{dA_3}{dz} &= \frac{in'_2\omega_3}{c} [(f_{33}|A_3|^2 + 2\sum_{j\neq 3}|A_j|^2)A_3 + 2f_{3412}A_1A_2A_4^*e^{-i\Delta kz}] \\ \frac{dA_4}{dz} &= \frac{in'_2\omega_4}{c} [(f_{44}|A_4|^2 + 2\sum_{j\neq 4}|A_j|^2)A_4 + 2f_{4312}A_1A_2A_3^*e^{-i\Delta kz}] \end{aligned}$$

Pump fields

Signal & idler

→ NDPA

Effective phase-matching condition:

$$\kappa = \Delta k + 2\gamma P_0 = 0$$

$$\leftarrow P_0 = P_1 + P_2$$

$$f_{jk} = \frac{\langle |F_j|^2 |F_k|^2 \rangle}{\langle |F_j|^2 \rangle \langle |F_k|^2 \rangle}$$

$$f_{ijkl} = \frac{\langle F_i^* F_j^* F_k F_l \rangle}{[\langle |F_i|^2 \rangle \langle |F_j|^2 \rangle \langle |F_k|^2 \rangle \langle |F_l|^2 \rangle]^{1/2}}$$

Four-Wave-Mixing in an Optical Fiber

Fiber Parameters:

Structure: 7-point core defect, $7\frac{1}{2}$ ring structure.

Hole-to-hole spacing: $3.6\ \mu\text{m}$

Hole diameter relative size (d/Λ): 0.95

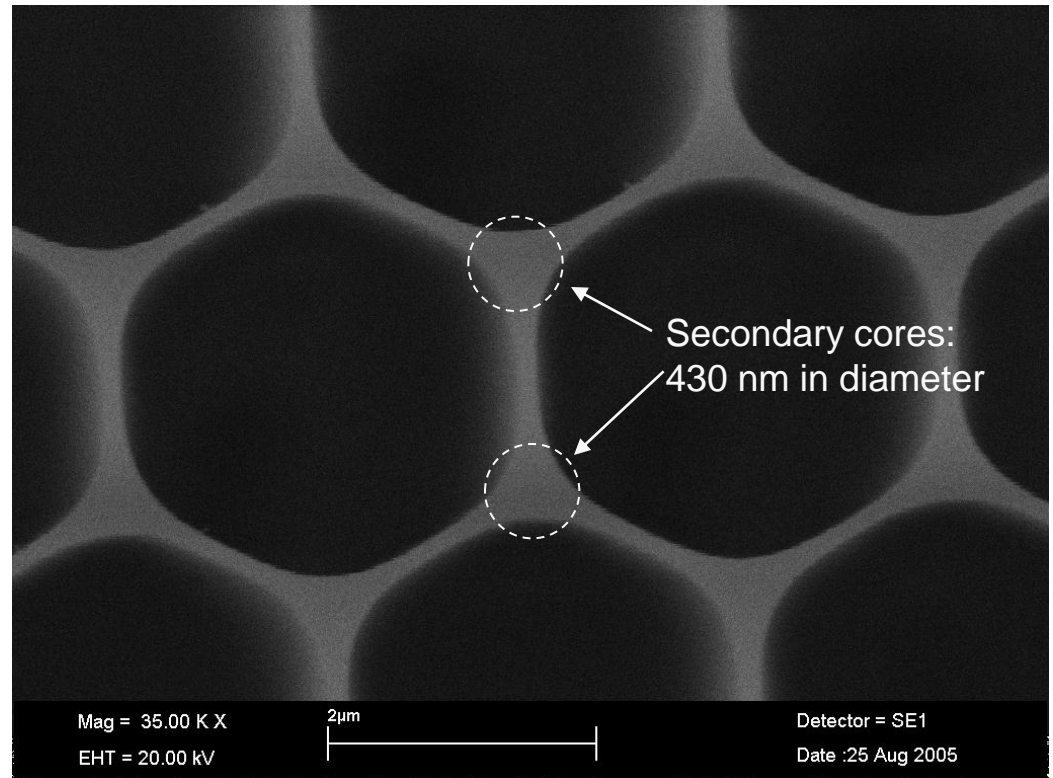
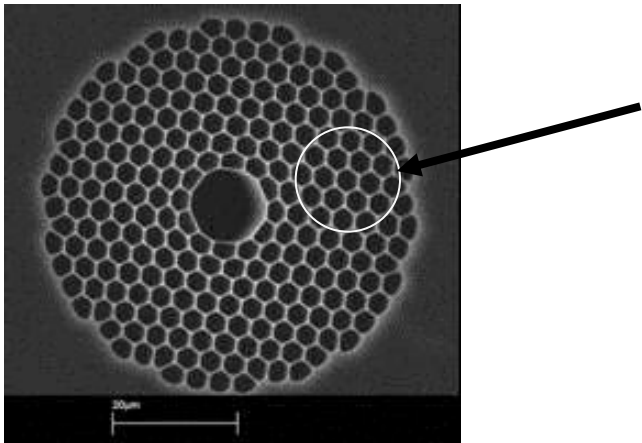
Air filling factor: $\sim 87\%$

Core diameter: $11.6\ \mu\text{m}$.

Fundamental bandgap: $1570\ \text{nm}$.

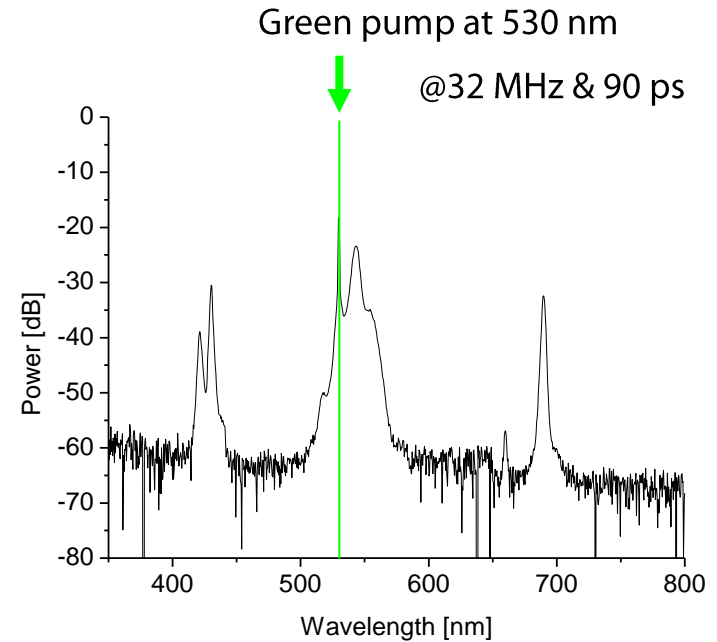
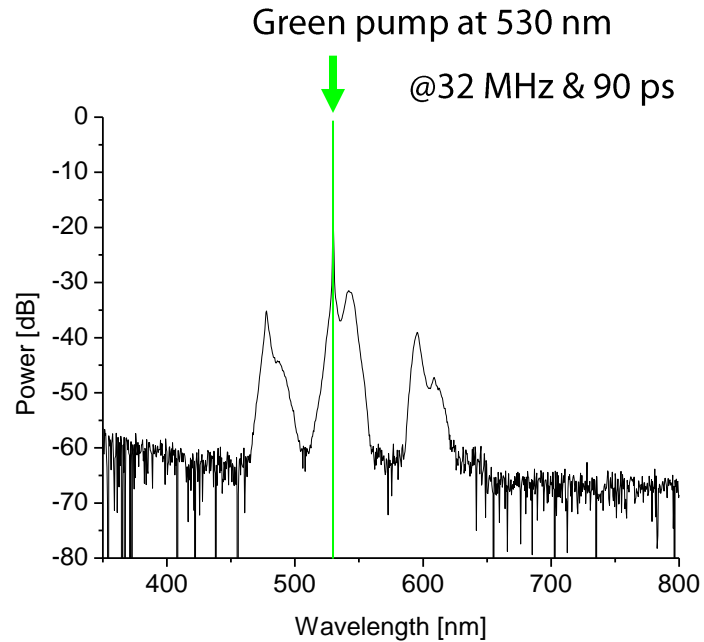
Higher order: 458, 505, 560 nm

(Fabricated from the resources outside the project)



Secondary cores to be investigated for four-wave mixing!

RGB Generation via FWM in an Optical Fiber

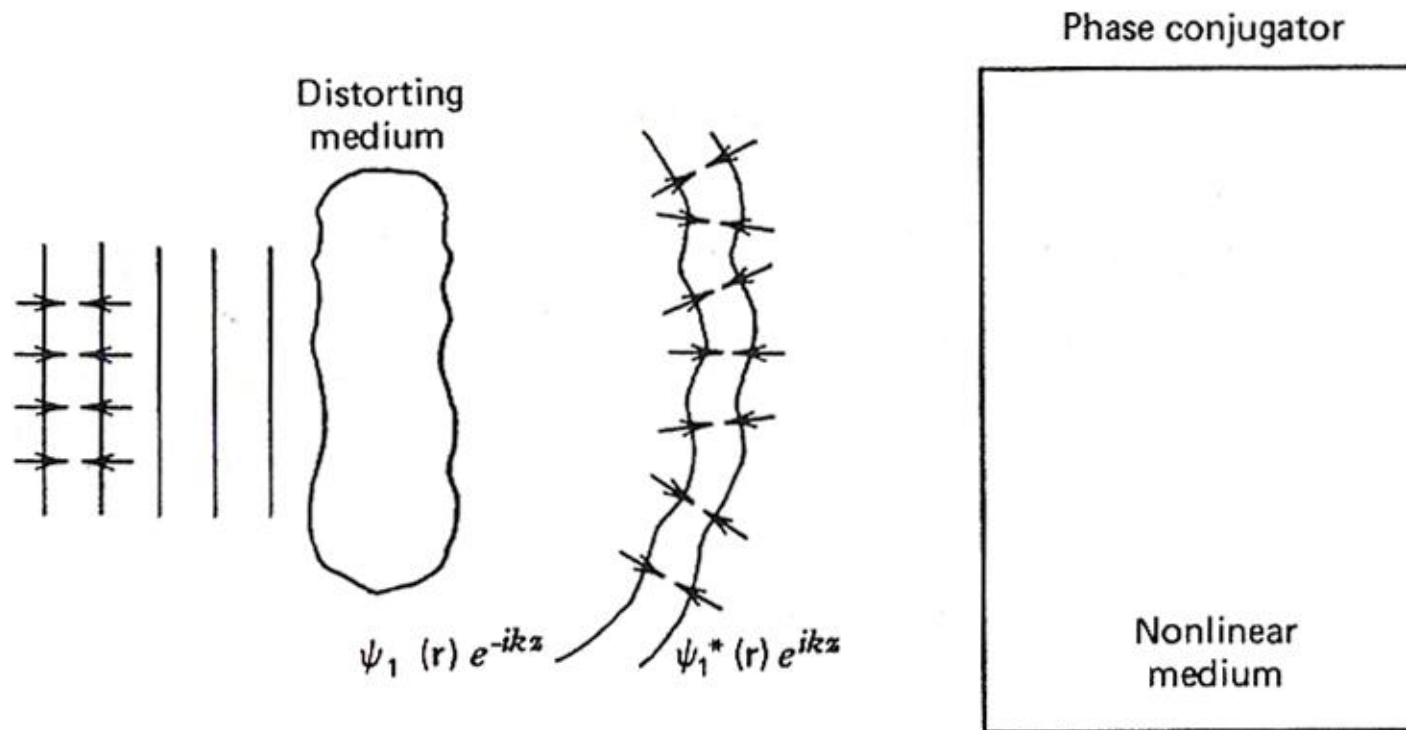


Diffraction output image



Phase Conjugation

Complex conjugation of an input field via FWM:

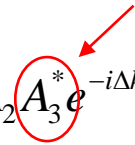


Source: *Optical Waves in Crystals* A. Yariv and P. Yeh

Recall:

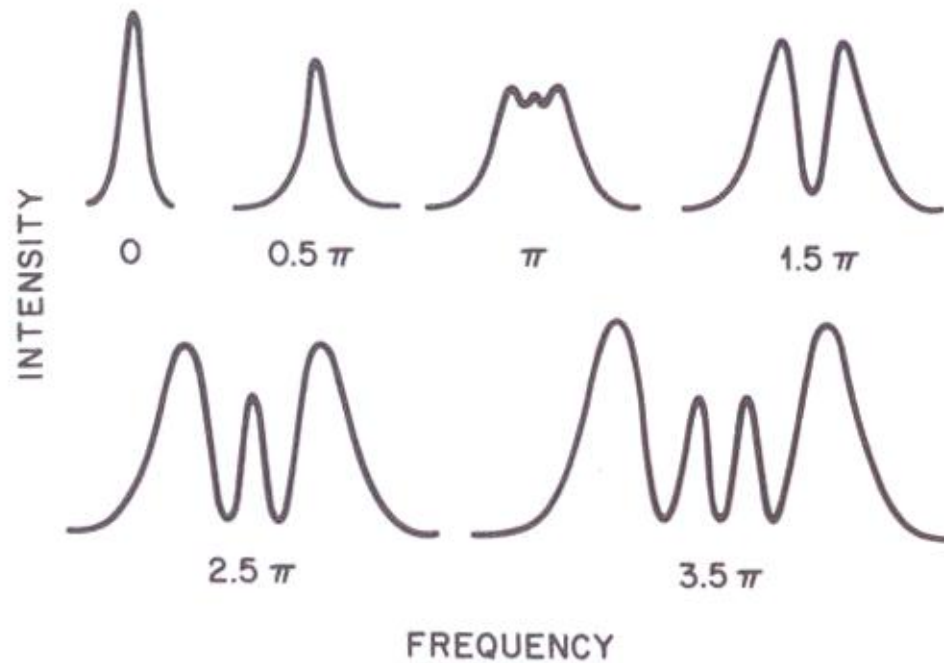
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Phase conjugation



Nonlinear Phase Modulation

For Gaussian pulses:



Source: Nonlinear Fiber Optics, G. P. Agrawal

SPM or XPM?

$$P_1 = \frac{3\epsilon_0\chi_{xxxx}^{(3)}}{4} [|E_1|^2 E_1 + 2(|E_2|^2 + |E_3|^2 + |E_4|^2) E_1]$$