

# Nonlinear Optical Engineering

Optical Solitons (1)  
(NFO 5<sup>th</sup> ed: 5.1 ~ 5.2)

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# Modulation Instability (1)

Linear stability analysis:

$$\text{NLSE: } i \frac{\partial A}{\partial z} = \frac{\beta_2}{2} \frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial T^2} - \gamma |A|^2 A$$

$$\text{Steady-state solution: } \bar{A} = \sqrt{P_0} \exp(i\phi_{NL}) \leftarrow \phi_{NL} = \gamma P_0 z.$$

$$\text{With a perturbation: } A = (\sqrt{P_0} + a) \exp(i\phi_{NL})$$

$$\begin{aligned} i \frac{\partial A}{\partial z} &= i \frac{\partial}{\partial z} [(\sqrt{P_0} + a) \exp(i\phi_{NL})] \\ &= i \frac{\partial a}{\partial z} \exp(i\phi_{NL}) + i(\sqrt{P_0} + a) \cdot i \frac{\partial \phi_{NL}}{\partial z} \exp(i\phi_{NL}) \\ -\gamma |A|^2 A &= -\gamma (\sqrt{P_0} + a) \exp(i\phi_{NL}) \cdot (\sqrt{P_0} + a^*) \exp(-i\phi_{NL}) \cdot (\sqrt{P_0} + a) \exp(i\phi_{NL}) \\ &= -\gamma [P_0(\sqrt{P_0} + a) + P_0(a + a^*) + \sqrt{P_0}(a^2 + 2a^*a) + a^*a^2] \exp(i\phi_{NL}) \\ &\leftarrow (a \rightarrow O^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{In result: } \rightarrow i \frac{\partial a}{\partial z} = \frac{\beta_2}{2} \frac{\partial^2 a}{\partial T^2} - \gamma P_0 (a + a^*)$$

# Modulation Instability (2)

## Linear stability analysis:

**Solution form:**  $a(z, T) = a_1 \exp[i(Kz - \Omega T)] + a_2 \exp([-i(Kz - \Omega T)]$

$$\rightarrow K = \pm \frac{1}{2} |\beta_2 \Omega| [\Omega^2 + \text{sgn}(\beta_2) \Omega_c^2]^{1/2}$$

$$\leftarrow \Omega_c^2 = \frac{4\gamma P_0}{|\beta_2|} = \frac{4}{|\beta_2| L_{NL}} \leftarrow L_{NL} = \frac{1}{\gamma P_0}$$

*→ The sign of  $\beta_2$  (GVD) determines the stability against the perturbation.*

# Modulation Instability (3)

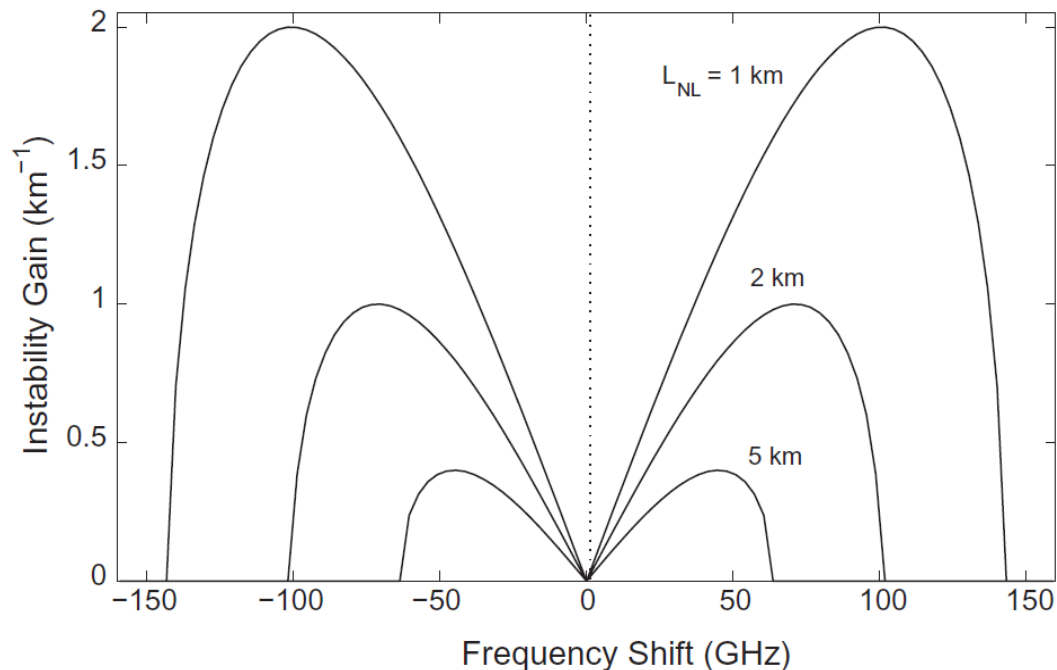
Gain spectrum:

$$K = \pm \frac{1}{2} |\beta_2 \Omega| [\Omega^2 + \text{sgn}(\beta_2) \Omega_c^2]^{1/2}$$

$$\rightarrow \beta_2 < 0$$

$$\rightarrow g(\Omega) = 2 \text{Im}(K) = |\beta_2 \Omega| (\Omega_c^2 - \Omega^2)^{1/2}$$

$$\rightarrow \Omega_{\text{max}} = \pm \frac{\Omega_c}{\sqrt{2}} = \pm \left( \frac{2\gamma P_0}{|\beta_2|} \right)^{1/2} \rightarrow g_{\text{max}} = \frac{1}{2} |\beta_2| \Omega_c^2 = 2\gamma P_0$$



$$\leftarrow \beta_2 = -5 \text{ ps}^2 / \text{km}$$

# Fiber Solitons (1)

Inverse scattering method:

NLSE: 
$$i \frac{\partial A}{\partial z} = \frac{\beta_2}{2} \frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial T^2} - \gamma |A|^2 A$$

Dimensionless variables: 
$$U = \frac{A}{\sqrt{P_0}}, \quad \xi = \frac{z}{L_D}, \quad \tau = \frac{T}{T_0} \quad \leftarrow \quad L_D = \frac{T_0^2}{|\beta_2|}.$$

In result: 
$$\rightarrow i \frac{\partial U}{\partial \xi} = \text{sgn}(\beta_2) \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial \tau^2} - N^2 |U|^2 U \quad \leftarrow \quad N^2 = \frac{L_D}{L_{NL}} = \frac{\gamma P_0 T_0^2}{|\beta_2|}$$

$$\rightarrow u = NU = \sqrt{\gamma L_D} A, \quad \text{sgn}(\beta_2) = -1$$

$$\rightarrow i \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \tau^2} + |u|^2 u = 0 \quad \leftarrow \quad u(\xi, \tau) \leftarrow \varepsilon u(\varepsilon^2 \xi, \varepsilon \tau)$$

Scaling factor

Inverse scattering method:

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} i \frac{\partial v_1}{\partial \tau} + u v_2 = \zeta v_1 \\ i \frac{\partial v_2}{\partial \tau} + u^* v_1 = -\zeta v_2 \end{cases}$$

Complex values  
(similar to freq. in the Fourier analysis)

Fundamental soliton:  
(N = 1)

$$\rightarrow u(\xi, \tau) = \text{sech}(\tau) \exp(i\xi / 2)$$