

# Nonlinear Optical Engineering

Optical Solitons (3)  
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# Perturbation of Solitons (1)

Perturbation methods:

$$\text{NLSE: } \rightarrow i \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \tau^2} + |u|^2 u = i\varepsilon(u)$$

$$\rightarrow u(\xi, \tau) = \eta(\xi) \operatorname{sech}[\eta(\xi)(\tau - q(\xi))] \exp[i\phi(\xi) - i\delta(\xi)\tau]$$

$$\text{Variational method: } \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_d = \frac{i}{2} \left( u^* \frac{du}{d\xi} - u \frac{\partial u^*}{\partial \xi} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \left( |u|^4 - \left| \frac{du}{d\tau} \right|^2 \right) + i(\varepsilon^* u - \varepsilon u^*)$$

$$\text{Reduced E-L eq.: } \rightarrow \mathcal{L} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_d d\tau \rightarrow \frac{d}{d\xi} \left( \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial q_\xi} \right) - \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial q} = 0$$

$$\text{Four differential eqs.: } \rightarrow \frac{d\eta}{d\xi} = \operatorname{Re} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varepsilon(u) u^* d\tau$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{d\delta}{d\xi} = -\operatorname{Im} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varepsilon(u) \tanh[\eta(\tau - q)] u^* d\tau$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{dq}{d\xi} = -\delta + \frac{1}{\eta} \operatorname{Re} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varepsilon(u) (\tau - q) u^* d\tau$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{d\phi}{d\xi} = \operatorname{Im} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varepsilon(u) \{1/\eta - (\tau - q) \tanh[\eta(\tau - q)]\} u^* d\tau$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} (\eta^2 - \delta^2) + q \frac{d\delta}{d\xi}$$

# Perturbation of Solitons (2)

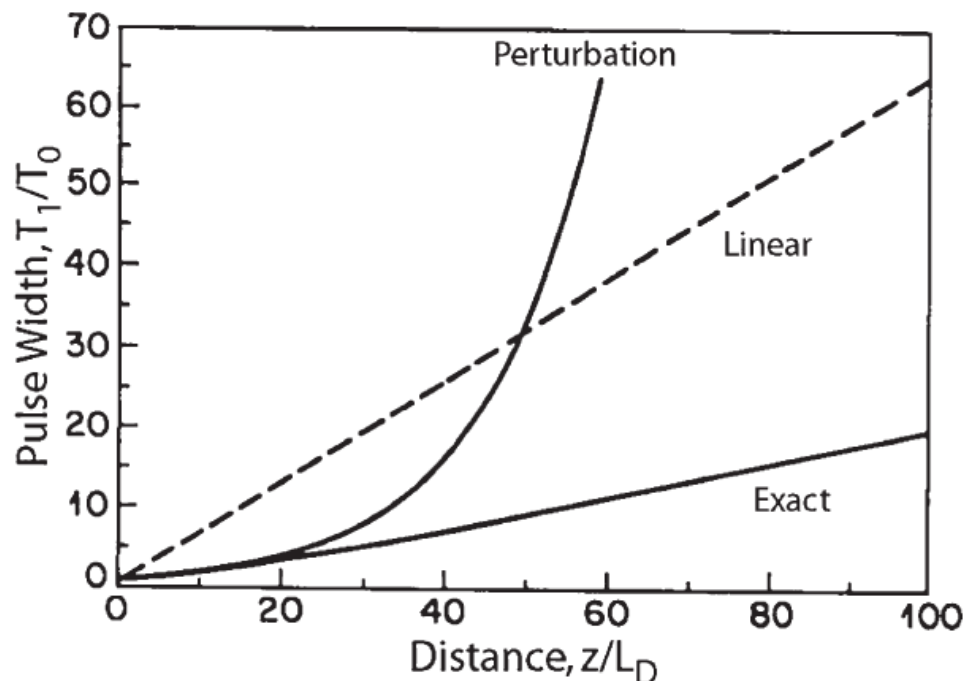
## Fiber Losses:

$$\text{NLSE: } \rightarrow i \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \tau^2} + |u|^2 u = -\frac{i}{2} \Gamma u \quad \leftarrow \Gamma = \alpha L_D = \alpha T_0^2 / |\beta_2|$$

$$\rightarrow \eta = \exp(-\Gamma \xi) \quad \leftarrow \eta(0) = 1, \delta(0) = 0, \& q(0) = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \phi(\xi) = \phi(0) + [1 - \exp(-2\Gamma \xi)] / (4\Gamma)$$

$$\text{Soliton broadening: } \rightarrow T_1(z) = T_0 \exp(\Gamma \xi) = T_0 \exp(\alpha z) \quad \leftarrow \tau = T / T_0$$



# Perturbation of Solitons (3)

How can a soliton survive inside lossy optical fibers?

$$\text{NLSE: } \rightarrow i \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \tau^2} + |u|^2 u = -\frac{i}{2} \Gamma u$$

$$\leftarrow u(\xi, \tau) = v(\xi, \tau) \exp(-\Gamma \xi / 2)$$

$$\rightarrow i \frac{\partial v}{\partial \xi} + \frac{d(\xi)}{2} \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial \tau^2} + e^{-\Gamma \xi} |v|^2 v = 0 \quad \leftarrow d(\xi) = |\beta_2(\xi) / \beta_2(0)|$$

$$\leftarrow \xi' = \int_0^\xi d(\xi) d\xi$$

$$\rightarrow i \frac{\partial v}{\partial \xi'} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial \tau^2} + \frac{e^{-\Gamma \xi}}{d(\xi)} |v|^2 v = 0$$

Dispersion-decreasing fibers:  $\rightarrow d(\xi) = \exp(-\Gamma \xi)$

$$\rightarrow |\beta_2(z)| = |\beta_2(0)| \exp(-\alpha z)$$

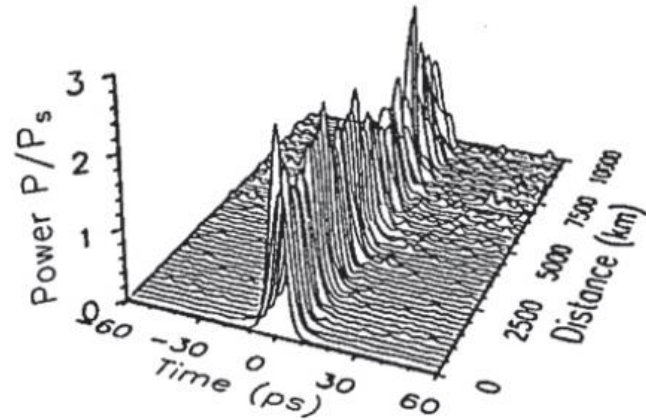
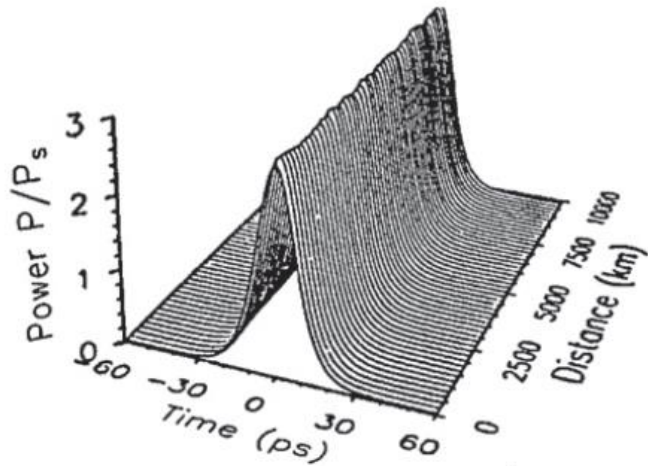
# Perturbation of Solitons (4)

Soliton amplification:

$$\text{NLSE: } \rightarrow i \frac{\partial v}{\partial \xi} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial \tau^2} + a^2(\xi) |v|^2 v = 0$$

$$\leftarrow u(\xi, \tau) = \exp\left(\int_0^\xi -\frac{1}{2} \Gamma(\xi) d\xi\right) v(\xi, \tau) = a(\xi) v(\xi, \tau)$$

Distributed amp. vs. lumped amp.:



# Perturbation of Solitons (5)

## Soliton interaction:

**Two solitons:**  $\rightarrow u_j(\xi, \tau) = \eta_j \operatorname{sech}[\eta_j(\tau - q_j)] \exp[i\phi_j - i\delta_j\tau]$

$\rightarrow u = u_1 + u_2 \rightarrow \text{NLSE}$

**Perturbed NLSE:**  $\rightarrow i \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial \xi} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 u_1}{\partial \tau^2} + |u_1|^2 u_1 = -2|u_1|^2 u_2 - u_1^2 u_2^*$

$\rightarrow \eta_{\pm} = \eta_1 \pm \eta_2, q_{\pm} = q_1 \pm q_2, \delta_{\pm} = \delta_1 \pm \delta_2, \phi_{\pm} = \phi_1 \pm \phi_2$

$\rightarrow \frac{d\eta_+}{d\xi} = 0, \frac{d\eta_-}{d\xi} = \eta_+^3 \exp(-q_-) \sin \phi_-$

$\rightarrow \frac{d\delta_+}{d\xi} = 0, \frac{d\delta_-}{d\xi} = \eta_+^3 \exp(-q_-) \cos \phi_-$

$\rightarrow \frac{dq_-}{d\xi} = -\delta_-, \frac{d\phi_-}{d\xi} = \frac{1}{2} \eta_+ \eta_- \quad \leftarrow q = q_- / 2, \psi = \phi_- / 2$

**In result:**  $\rightarrow \frac{d^2 q}{d\xi^2} = -4e^{-2q} \cos(2\psi), \frac{d^2 \psi}{d\xi^2} = 4e^{-2q} \sin(2\psi) \quad \leftarrow \eta_-(0) = 0, \delta_-(0) = 0$

**Solution:**  $\rightarrow q(\xi) = q_0 + \frac{1}{2} \ln[\cosh^2(2\xi e^{-q_0} \sin \psi_0) + \cos^2(2\xi e^{-q_0} \cos \psi_0) - 1]$

# Perturbation of Solitons (6)

## Soliton interaction:

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**In phase ( $\psi = 0$ ):**  $\rightarrow q(\xi) = q_0 + \ln|\cos(2\xi e^{-q_0})|$   $\leftarrow$  Periodically attractive

**Out of phase ( $\psi = \pi/2$ ):**  $\rightarrow q(\xi) = q_0 + \ln[\cosh(2\xi e^{-q_0})]$   $\leftarrow$  Monotonically repulsive

