

FIBER PARAXIAL WAVE EQUATION (9)

- General fiber paraxial wave equation:

$$\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial z'} + \left(i \frac{\beta_2}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t'^2} - \frac{\beta_3}{6} \frac{\partial^3}{\partial t'^3} \right) \right] \bar{\mathcal{E}}(z', t')$$

$$= -\frac{\alpha}{2} \bar{\mathcal{E}} - \frac{2\pi i}{\beta_0 c^2} \frac{e^{-i(\beta_0 z - \omega_0 t)} \int_{\mathcal{A}} \psi_m(\mathbf{r}_T, \omega_0)^* \hat{\mathbf{e}} \cdot \frac{\partial^2 \bar{\mathbf{P}}_{NL}}{\partial t^2} d^2 \mathbf{r}_T}{\int_{\mathcal{A}} |\psi_m(\mathbf{r}_T, \omega_0)|^2 d^2 \mathbf{r}_T}$$

- ▷ Group velocity dispersion effects: β_2, β_3
- ▷ Nonlinear effects: $\bar{\mathbf{P}}_{NL}$
- ▷ Mode volume effects: $\int_{\mathcal{A}} |\psi_m(\mathbf{r}_T, \omega_0)|^2 d^2 \mathbf{r}_T$

ELECTRIC POLARIZATION (6)

- Evaluation of $\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \mathbf{P}_{NL}$:

▷ Let

$$\mathbf{P}_{NL,m} = \text{Re} \left[-i \hat{\mathbf{e}}_m \psi_n(\mathbf{r}_T, \omega_m) \mathcal{P}_m(z, t) e^{i[\beta(\omega_m)z - \omega_m t]} \right]$$

▷ Second time derivative:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \mathbf{P}_{NL,m} \\ &= \text{Re} \left\{ -i \hat{\mathbf{e}}_m \psi_n(\mathbf{r}_T, \omega_m) e^{i[\beta(\omega_m)z - \omega_m t]} \left[-\omega_m^2 - 2i\omega_m \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \right] \mathcal{P}_m(z, t) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

- ▷ If \mathcal{P}_m is, and remains, slowly varying on the time scale defined by an optical cycle, then $\partial \mathcal{P}_m / \partial t$ and $\partial^2 \mathcal{P}_m / \partial t^2$ may be neglected

ELECTRIC POLARIZATION (7)

- Coupled-wave method for third-order nonlinear electric polarization:
 - ▷ Use a different field for each frequency and each orthogonal polarization:

$$\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{E}_1 + \mathbf{E}_2 + \mathbf{E}_3 + \mathbf{E}_4$$

- ▷ Assume the envelope forms

$$\mathbf{E}_l = \text{Re} \left[\hat{\mathbf{e}}_l \psi_l(\mathbf{r}_T, \omega_l) \mathcal{E}_l(z, t) e^{i[\beta(\omega_l)z - \omega_l t]} \right]$$

and

$$\mathbf{P}_{NL} = \sum_n \text{Re} \left[-i \hat{\mathbf{e}}_n \psi_n(\mathbf{r}_T, \omega_n) \mathcal{P}_n(z, t) e^{i[\beta(\omega_n)z - \omega_n t]} \right]$$

- ▷ Electric fields at frequencies $\omega_1, \omega_2, \omega_3$ generate polarization components at frequencies

$$\pm\omega_k, \quad \pm 3\omega_k, \quad \pm(2\omega_k - \omega_l), \quad \pm(\omega_k + \omega_l - \omega_m) \quad (k, l, m = 1, 2, 3)$$

FIBER PARAXIAL WAVE EQUATION (10)

- Envelope form for the nonlinear polarization at ω_n :

$$\mathbf{P}_{NL,n} = \text{Re} \left[-i\hat{\mathbf{e}}_n \psi_n(\mathbf{r}_T, \omega_n) \mathcal{P}_n(z, t) e^{i(\beta_n z - \omega_n t)} \right]$$

- Coupled-wave fiber paraxial wave equation:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial z'} + \left(i\frac{\beta_2}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t'^2} - \frac{\beta_3}{6} \frac{\partial^3}{\partial t'^3} \right) \right] \bar{\mathcal{E}}_n(z', t') \\ & = -\frac{\alpha}{2} \bar{\mathcal{E}}_n + \frac{2\pi\mu_{nklm}}{\beta(\omega_n)c^2} \left(\omega_n^2 + 2i\omega_n \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right) \bar{\mathcal{P}}_n(z', t') \end{aligned}$$

NONLINEAR POLARIZATION FOR FWM (1)

- Nonlinear polarization:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{P}_{NL} &= 4\chi^{(3)}(\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{E})\mathbf{E} = \sum_n \text{Re} \left[-i\hat{\mathbf{e}}_n \psi_n(\mathbf{r}_T) \mathcal{P}_{NL,n}(z, t) e^{i(\beta_n z - \omega_n t)} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_n \left[-i\hat{\mathbf{e}}_n \psi_n \mathcal{P}_{NL,n} e^{i(\beta_n z - \omega_n t)} + \text{c.c.} \right]\end{aligned}$$

The sum on n runs over all the frequencies that occur in $(\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{E})\mathbf{E}$

- Assume three fields, with possibly different frequencies and polarizations, and possibly in different modes:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{E} &= \mathbf{E}_1 + \mathbf{E}_2 + \mathbf{E}_3 = \sum_{l=1}^3 \text{Re} \left[\hat{\mathbf{e}}_l \psi_l(\mathbf{r}_T) \mathcal{E}_l(z, t) e^{i(\beta_l z - \omega_l t)} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{l=1}^3 \left[\hat{\mathbf{e}}_l \psi_l \mathcal{E}_l e^{i(\beta_l z - \omega_l t)} + \text{c.c.} \right]\end{aligned}$$

NONLINEAR POLARIZATION FOR FWM (2)

- Expand $(\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{E})\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{E}^2\mathbf{E}$:

$$(\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{E})\mathbf{E}$$

$$= (\mathbf{E}_1^2 + \mathbf{E}_2^2 + \mathbf{E}_3^2 + 2\mathbf{E}_1 \cdot \mathbf{E}_2 + 2\mathbf{E}_1 \cdot \mathbf{E}_3 + 2\mathbf{E}_2 \cdot \mathbf{E}_3) (\mathbf{E}_1 + \mathbf{E}_2 + \mathbf{E}_3)$$

$$= [\mathbf{E}_1^2\mathbf{E}_1 + \mathbf{E}_2^2\mathbf{E}_2 + \mathbf{E}_3^2\mathbf{E}_3]$$

$$+ [(\mathbf{E}_2^2 + \mathbf{E}_3^2)\mathbf{E}_1 + (\mathbf{E}_1^2 + \mathbf{E}_3^2)\mathbf{E}_2 + (\mathbf{E}_1^2 + \mathbf{E}_2^2)\mathbf{E}_3]$$

$$+ (2\mathbf{E}_1 \cdot \mathbf{E}_2)\mathbf{E}_2 + (2\mathbf{E}_1 \cdot \mathbf{E}_3)\mathbf{E}_3 + (2\mathbf{E}_1 \cdot \mathbf{E}_2)\mathbf{E}_1$$

$$+ (2\mathbf{E}_2 \cdot \mathbf{E}_3)\mathbf{E}_3 + (2\mathbf{E}_1 \cdot \mathbf{E}_3)\mathbf{E}_1 + (2\mathbf{E}_2 \cdot \mathbf{E}_3)\mathbf{E}_2]$$

$$+ [(2\mathbf{E}_1 \cdot \mathbf{E}_2)\mathbf{E}_3 + (2\mathbf{E}_1 \cdot \mathbf{E}_3)\mathbf{E}_2 + (2\mathbf{E}_2 \cdot \mathbf{E}_3)\mathbf{E}_1]$$

- Each group of square-bracketed terms predicts different nonlinear-optical phenomena

EVALUATION OF $\mathbf{E}_1^2 \mathbf{E}_1$

- Envelope form:

$$\mathbf{E}_1 = \frac{1}{2} \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 [W_1 + W_1^*]$$

where

$$W_1 = e^{i[\beta(\omega_1)z - \omega_1 t]} \psi_1(\mathbf{r}_T, \omega_1) \mathcal{E}_1(z, t)$$

- Then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}_1^2 \mathbf{E}_1 &= \frac{1}{8} \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 [W_1 + W_1^*] [W_1 + W_1^*]^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{8} \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 [W_1 + W_1^*] [W_1^2 + 2|W_1|^2 + W_1^{*2}] \\ &= \frac{1}{8} \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 [(W_1^3 + W_1^{*3}) + (W_1^2 W_1^* + W_1^{*2} W_1) + 2|W_1|^2 (W_1 + W_1^*)] \end{aligned}$$

- ▷ Coefficient of third-harmonic terms at $\pm 3\omega_1$ is $\frac{1}{8}$
- ▷ Coefficient of self-phase modulation terms at $\pm \omega_1$ is $\frac{3}{8}$

EVALUATION OF $\mathbf{E}_2^2 \mathbf{E}_1$

- Envelope form:

$$\mathbf{E}_l = \frac{1}{2} \hat{\mathbf{e}}_l [W_l + W_l^*] \quad (l = 1, 2)$$

where

$$W_l = e^{i[\beta(\omega_l)z - \omega_l t]} \psi_l(\mathbf{r}_T, \omega_l) \mathcal{E}_l(z, t)$$

- Then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}_2^2 \mathbf{E}_1 &= \frac{1}{8} \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 [W_1 + W_1^*] [W_2 + W_2^*]^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{8} \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 [W_1 + W_1^*] [W_2^2 + 2|W_2|^2 + W_2^{*2}] \\ &= \frac{1}{8} \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 [W_1 W_2^2 + W_1^* W_2^{*2} \\ &\quad + 2|W_2|^2 (W_1 + W_1^*) + W_1^* W_2^2 + W_1 W_2^{*2}] \end{aligned}$$

- ▷ Coefficient of FWM terms at $\pm(2\omega_2 - \omega_1)$ is $\frac{1}{8}$
- ▷ Coefficient of cross-phase modulation terms at $\pm\omega_1$ is $\frac{2}{8}$

EVALUATION OF $2(\mathbf{E}_1 \cdot \mathbf{E}_2)\mathbf{E}_2$

- Envelope form:

$$\mathbf{E}_l = \frac{1}{2}\hat{\mathbf{e}}_l [W_l + W_l^*] \quad (l = 1, 2)$$

where

$$W_l = e^{i[\beta(\omega_l)z - \omega_l t]} \psi_l(\mathbf{r}_T, \omega_l) \mathcal{E}_l(z, t)$$

- Then

$$\begin{aligned} 2(\mathbf{E}_1 \cdot \mathbf{E}_2)\mathbf{E}_2 &= \frac{2}{8}(\hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 \cdot \hat{\mathbf{e}}_2)\hat{\mathbf{e}}_2 [W_1 + W_1^*] [W_2 + W_2^*]^2 \\ &= \frac{2}{8}(\hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 \cdot \hat{\mathbf{e}}_2)\hat{\mathbf{e}}_2 [W_1 + W_1^*] [W_2^2 + 2|W_2|^2 + W_2^{*2}] \\ &= \frac{2}{8}(\hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 \cdot \hat{\mathbf{e}}_2)\hat{\mathbf{e}}_2 [W_1W_2^2 + W_1^*W_2^{*2} \\ &\quad + 2|W_2|^2(W_1 + W_1^*) + W_1^*W_2^2 + W_1W_2^{*2}] \end{aligned}$$

- ▷ Coefficient of FWM terms at $\pm(2\omega_2 - \omega_1)$ is $\frac{2}{8}$
- ▷ Coefficient of cross-phase modulation terms at $\pm\omega_1$ is $\frac{4}{8}$

NONLINEAR POLARIZATION FOR FWM (3)

- After substitution of the envelope form of \mathbf{E}_l , 3 kinds of terms occur in $(\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{E})\mathbf{E}$:
 - ▷ General form: \mathcal{E}_l^3 or c.c.
 - Coefficient (same polarization): $\frac{1}{8}$
 - Frequencies: $\pm 3\omega_l$
 - Third-harmonic generation
 - ▷ General form: $|\mathcal{E}_l|^2\mathcal{E}_l, \mathcal{E}_k^2\mathcal{E}_l^*$ or c.c.
 - Coefficient (same polarization): $\frac{3}{8}$
 - Frequencies: $\pm\omega_l$ or $\pm(2\omega_k \pm \omega_l)$
 - SPM, degenerate FWM
 - ▷ General form: $|\mathcal{E}_k|^2\mathcal{E}_l, \mathcal{E}_k^*\mathcal{E}_l\mathcal{E}_m$ or c.c.
 - Coefficient (same polarization): $\frac{6}{8}$
 - Frequencies: $\pm\omega_l, \pm(\omega_k + \omega_l \pm \omega_m)$
 - XPM, non-degenerate FWM

NONLINEAR POLARIZATION FOR FWM (4)

- Compact formula for $(\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{E})\mathbf{E}$:

$$\mathbf{E}^2\mathbf{E} = \frac{1}{8} \sum_{k,l,m} D_{|k|,|l|,|m|} \psi_k \psi_l \psi_m \mathcal{E}_k \mathcal{E}_l \mathcal{E}_m e^{i\{[\beta(\omega_k)+\beta(\omega_l)+\beta(\omega_m)]z - (\omega_k+\omega_l+\omega_m)t\}}$$

where $k, l, m = \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3,$

$$\mathcal{E}_{-|k|} = \mathcal{E}_{|k|}^*, \quad \psi_{-|k|} = \psi_{|k|}^*, \quad \beta_{-|k|} = -\beta_{|k|}, \quad \omega_{-|k|} = -\omega_{|k|},$$

and, when all waves have the same polarization,

$$D_{|k|,|l|,|m|} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } k = l = m; \\ 3, & \text{if } k = -l = m; \\ 6, & \text{if } \begin{cases} k = -l \neq m & \text{or if} \\ |k|, |l|, |m| & \text{are different.} \end{cases} \end{cases}$$

- Compact formula for \mathbf{P}_{NL} :

$$-\frac{1}{2}i\psi_n \mathcal{P}_n e^{i(\beta_n z - \omega_n t)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} (4\chi^{(3)}) D_{|k|,|l|,|m|} \psi_k \psi_l \psi_m \mathcal{E}_k \mathcal{E}_l \mathcal{E}_m e^{i\{[\beta(\omega_k)+\beta(\omega_l)+\beta(\omega_m)]z - (\omega_k+\omega_l+\omega_m)t\}}$$

where $\omega_n = \omega_k + \omega_l + \omega_m$

NONLINEAR POLARIZATION FOR FWM (5)

- Multiply both sides of the equation for \mathcal{P}_n by $\psi_n(\mathbf{r}_T)^*$ and integrate with respect to the transverse area:

$$\mathcal{P}_n = i\chi^{(3)} D_{|k|,|l|,|m|} \mu_{nklm} \mathcal{E}_k \mathcal{E}_l \mathcal{E}_m e^{i(\Delta\beta_{nklm})z}$$

where

$$\omega_n = \omega_k + \omega_l + \omega_m,$$

the **wave-vector mismatch** is $\Delta\beta_{nklm} = -\beta(\omega_n) + \beta(\omega_k) + \beta(\omega_l) + \beta(\omega_m)$, and the **mode overlap integral** is

$$\mu_{nklm} = \frac{\iint \psi_n(\mathbf{r}_T)^* \psi_k(\mathbf{r}_T) \psi_l(\mathbf{r}_T) \psi_m(\mathbf{r}_T) d^2 r_T}{\iint |\psi_n(\mathbf{r}_T)|^2 d^2 r_T}$$

- Example:

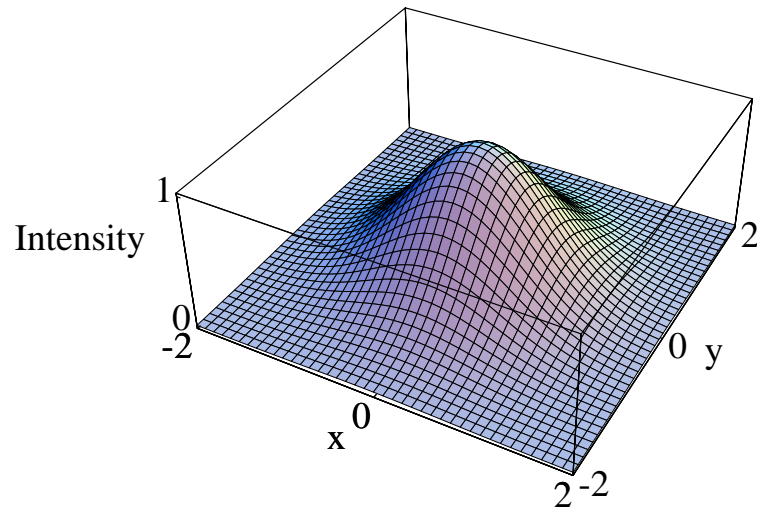
$$\psi_n = \psi_k = \psi_l = \psi_m = \psi_1$$

▷ ψ_1 is the eigenfunction for the HE_{11} mode,

$$\psi_1 \approx e^{-r^2/(2w^2)} \Rightarrow \mu_{nklm} = \frac{1}{2}$$

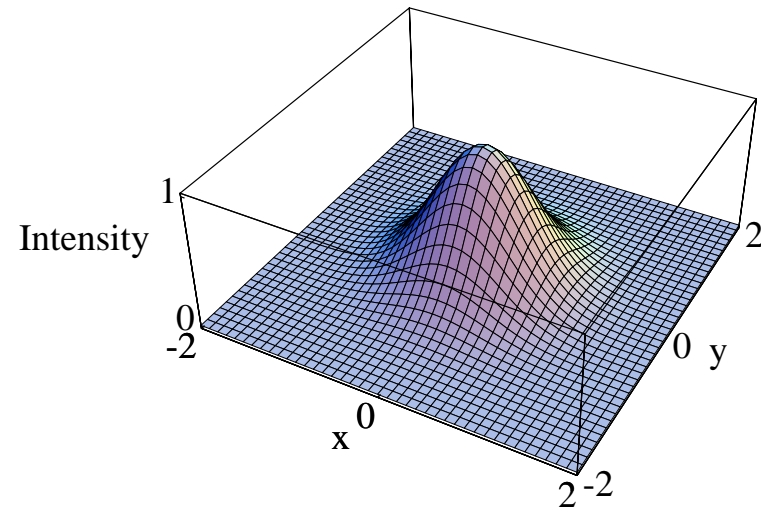
NONLINEAR POLARIZATION FOR FWM (6)

Intensity of lowest mode



The intensity in the lowest mode, $|\psi_1(x, y)|^2$

Mode overlap integrand



The mode overlap integrand, $|\psi_1(x, y)|^4$

NONLINEAR POLARIZATION FOR FWM (7)

- Mode overlap integral:

$$\mu_{nklm} = \frac{\iint \psi_n(\mathbf{r}_T)^* \psi_k(\mathbf{r}_T) \psi_l(\mathbf{r}_T) \psi_m(\mathbf{r}_T) d^2 r_T}{\iint |\psi_n(\mathbf{r}_T)|^2 d^2 r_T}$$

- ▷ Normalization of ψ_n :

$$\iint |\psi_n(\mathbf{r}_T)|^2 d^2 r_T = 1$$

- ▷ Then $|\psi_n(\mathbf{r}_T)|^2$ has units of $(\text{area})^{-1}$

- **Effective area** for the interaction of waves k, l, m to produce wave n :

$$(A_e)^{-1} := |\mu_{nklm}|$$

SELF-PHASE MODULATION (1)

- Intensity-dependent index of refraction:

▷ Nonlinear polarization envelope:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{P}_n &= i\chi^{(3)} D_{|k|,|l|,|m|} \mu_{nkml} \mathcal{E}_k \mathcal{E}_l \mathcal{E}_m e^{i(\Delta\beta_{nkml})z} \\ &= 3i\chi^{(3)} \mu_{nnnn} |\mathcal{E}_n|^2 \mathcal{E}_n\end{aligned}$$

where $k = -l = m = n$ and therefore $D_{|k|,|l|,|m|} = 3$, $\Delta\beta_{nkml} = 0$

▷ **Generalized nonlinear Schrödinger equation:**

$$\begin{aligned}\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial z'} + \left(i\frac{\beta_2}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t'^2} - \frac{\beta_3}{6} \frac{\partial^3}{\partial t'^3} \right) \right] \bar{\mathcal{E}}(z', t') \\ = -\frac{\alpha}{2} \bar{\mathcal{E}} + \frac{6\pi\chi^{(3)}\mu_{nnnn}}{\beta_0 c^2} \left(\omega_m^2 + 2i\omega_m \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right) |\bar{\mathcal{E}}_n|^2 \bar{\mathcal{E}}_n\end{aligned}$$

INTENSITY AND POWER IN FIBERS

- Electric field:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{E} &= \text{Re} \left[\hat{\mathbf{e}}\psi_m(\mathbf{r}_T)\mathcal{E}_m(z, t)e^{i(\beta z - \omega t)} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\hat{\mathbf{e}}\psi_m\mathcal{E}_me^{i(\beta z - \omega t)} + \text{c.c.} \right]\end{aligned}$$

- Intensity at $\mathbf{r}_T = (x, y)$:

$$I_m(\mathbf{r}_T) = \frac{cn_{0,m}}{8\pi} |\mathcal{E}_m|^2 |\psi_m(\mathbf{r}_T)|^2$$

- Power in mode m :

$$\begin{aligned}P_m &= \iint I_m(\mathbf{r}_T) d^2r_T \\ &= \frac{cn_{0,m}}{8\pi} |\mathcal{E}_m|^2 \iint |\psi_m(\mathbf{r}_T)|^2 d^2r_T\end{aligned}$$

PROPAGATION EQUATION FOR FWM (2)

- Paraxial wave equation for the complex amplitude of a single mode (or WDM channel):

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z'} \bar{\mathcal{E}}_n = -\frac{\alpha}{2} \bar{\mathcal{E}}_n + \frac{2\pi i \omega_n^2 \chi^{(3)}}{\beta_n c^2} \mu_{nklm} D_{|k|,|l|,|m|} \bar{\mathcal{E}}_k \bar{\mathcal{E}}_l \bar{\mathcal{E}}_m e^{i(\Delta\beta_{nklm})z'}$$

- Introduce mode amplitudes which are directly related to power:

$$\mathcal{F}_n = \sqrt{\frac{cn_{0,n}A_e}{8\pi}} \mathcal{E}_n \Rightarrow \text{power in mode } n \text{ is } P_n = |\mathcal{F}_n|^2$$

- Paraxial wave equation in terms of \mathcal{F} 's:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z'} \bar{\mathcal{F}}_n = -\frac{\alpha}{2} \bar{\mathcal{F}}_n + i \frac{16\pi^2 \omega_n \chi^{(3)}}{n_{0,n}^2 c^2 A_e} \mu_{nklm} D_{|k|,|l|,|m|} \bar{\mathcal{F}}_k \bar{\mathcal{F}}_l \bar{\mathcal{F}}_m e^{i(\Delta\beta_{nklm})z'}$$

where we have used

$$\omega_n \approx \frac{c\beta_n}{n_{0,n}}$$

SELF-PHASE MODULATION (2)

- Generalized nonlinear Schrödinger equation for normalized fields:

$$\begin{aligned} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial z'} + \left(i \frac{\beta_2}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t'^2} - \frac{\beta_3}{6} \frac{\partial^3}{\partial t'^3} \right) \right] \overline{\mathcal{F}}(z', t') \\ = -\frac{\alpha}{2} \overline{\mathcal{F}}_n + i\gamma \left(1 + i \frac{2}{\omega_n} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right) |\overline{\mathcal{F}}|^2 \overline{\mathcal{F}} \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\gamma = \frac{48\pi^2 \chi^{(3)} \omega_n^2}{\beta(\omega_n) c^3 A_{\text{eff}}}$$

- ▷ $i\gamma |\overline{\mathcal{F}}|^2 \overline{\mathcal{F}}$: Self-phase modulation
- ▷ $-(2\gamma/\omega_n) \partial(|\overline{\mathcal{F}}|^2 \overline{\mathcal{F}}) / \partial t$: Self-steepening

SELF-PHASE MODULATION (3)

- Simplified paraxial wave equation for studying self-phase modulation:

$$\frac{\partial \overline{\mathcal{F}}(z', t')}{\partial z'} = -\frac{\alpha}{2} \overline{\mathcal{F}} + i\gamma |\overline{\mathcal{F}}|^2 \overline{\mathcal{F}}$$

- ▷ Remove attenuation term:

$$\overline{\mathcal{F}}' = e^{\alpha z'/2} \overline{\mathcal{F}}$$

- ▷ Equation for \mathcal{F}' :

$$\frac{\partial \overline{\mathcal{F}}'}{\partial z'} = i\gamma e^{-\alpha z'} |\overline{\mathcal{F}}'|^2 \overline{\mathcal{F}}'$$

- ▷ Equation for intensity:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z'} |\overline{\mathcal{F}}'|^2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial z'} \overline{\mathcal{F}}'^* \overline{\mathcal{F}}' = \frac{\partial \overline{\mathcal{F}}'^*}{\partial z'} \overline{\mathcal{F}}' + \frac{\partial \overline{\mathcal{F}}'}{\partial z'} \overline{\mathcal{F}}'^* = 0$$

SELF-PHASE MODULATION (4)

- Equation for $\overline{\mathcal{F}}' = e^{\alpha z'/2} \overline{\mathcal{F}}$:

$$\frac{\partial \overline{\mathcal{F}}'}{\partial z'} = i\gamma e^{-\alpha z'} |\overline{\mathcal{F}}'|^2 \overline{\mathcal{F}}'$$

- ▷ The modulus of \mathcal{F}' is constant:

$$|\overline{\mathcal{F}}'(z', t')|^2 = |\overline{\mathcal{F}}'(0, t')|^2 = P_0(t')$$

where P_0 is the initial (time-dependent) power

- ▷ Equation for \mathcal{F}' :

$$\frac{\partial \overline{\mathcal{F}}'(z', t')}{\partial z'} = i\gamma P_0(t') e^{-\alpha z'} \overline{\mathcal{F}}'(z', t')$$

- ▷ Solution:

$$\overline{\mathcal{F}}(z', t') = e^{-\alpha z'/2} \overline{\mathcal{F}}(0, t') e^{i\gamma P_0(t') L_{\text{eff}}(z')}$$

SELF-PHASE MODULATION (5)

- Evolution of $\overline{\mathcal{F}}$ under the influence of SPM:

$$\overline{\mathcal{F}}(z', t') = e^{-\alpha z'/2} \overline{\mathcal{F}}(0, t') e^{i\gamma P_0(t') L_{\text{eff}}(z')}$$

- ▷ Instantaneous frequency of $\overline{\mathcal{F}}$:

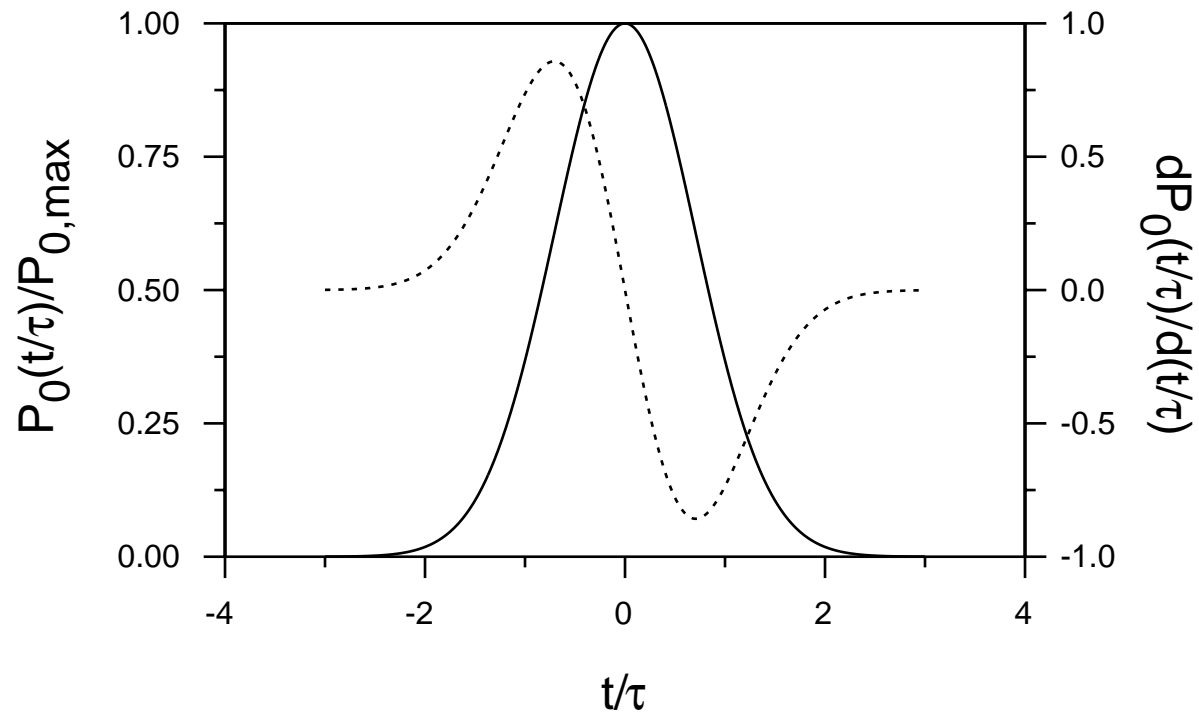
$$\begin{aligned} \delta\omega(z', t') &= i \frac{\partial}{\partial t'} \ln \overline{\mathcal{F}}(z', t') \\ &= -\gamma L_{\text{eff}}(z') \frac{dP_0(t')}{dt'} \end{aligned}$$

where I_0 is the initial (time-dependent) intensity

- ▷ (Instantaneous frequency of \mathbf{E}) = $\omega_n + \delta\omega(z', t')$

SELF-PHASE MODULATION (6)

Frequency shift in SPM



SELF-PHASE MODULATION (7)

- Evolution of $\overline{\mathcal{F}}$ under the influence of SPM:

$$\overline{\mathcal{F}}(z', t') = e^{-\alpha z'/2} \overline{\mathcal{F}}(0, t') e^{i\gamma P_0(t') L_{\text{eff}}(z')}$$

- ▷ **Nonlinear length:**

$$L_{NL} := (\gamma P_{0,\text{max}})^{-1}$$

where P_0 is the initial power

- ▷ Numerical values:

$$\gamma \approx 3 \text{ W}^{-1}\text{km}^{-1}$$

For $P_0 = 10 \text{ mW}$,

$$L_{NL} \approx 30 \text{ km}$$

SELF-PHASE MODULATION (8)

- Effects of SPM in fiberoptic telecom systems:

- ▷ Maximum phase shift:

$$\Delta\phi_{\max} = \frac{1}{\alpha L_{NL}}$$

- For $P_0 = 10$ mW, $L_{NL} \approx 30$ km

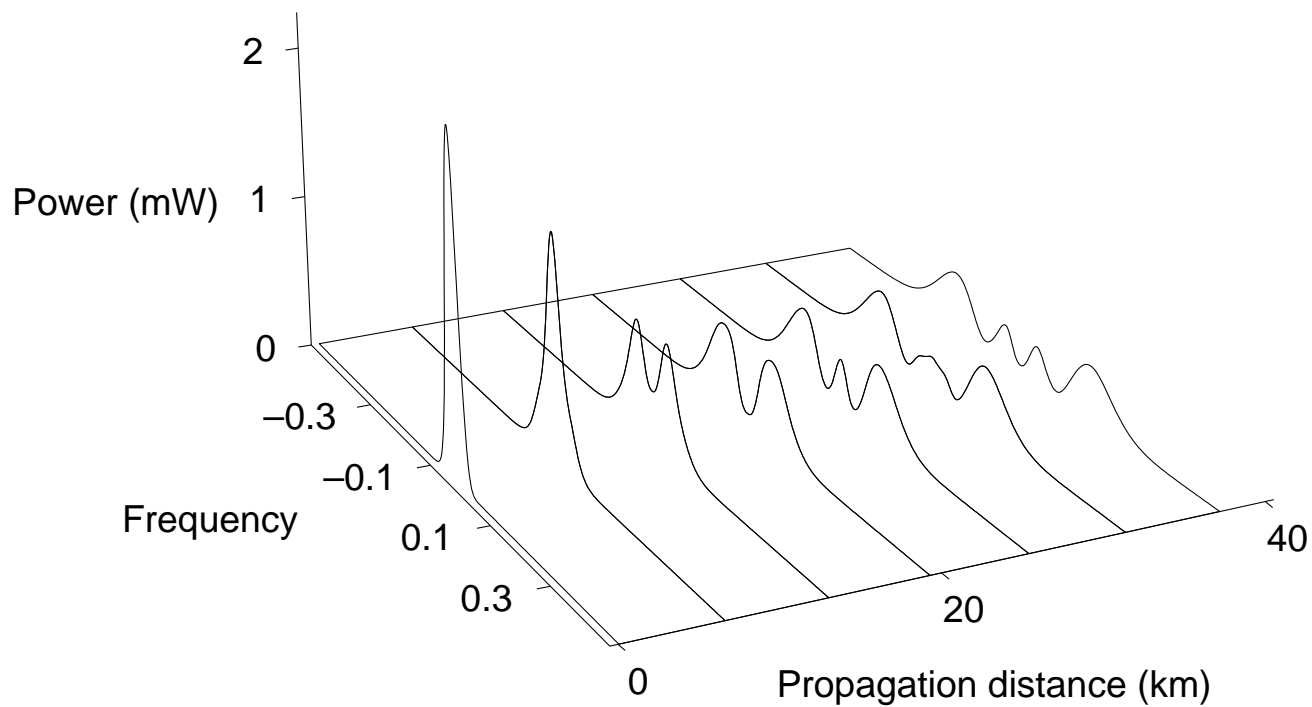
- Maximum phase shift for $\alpha \approx (20 \text{ km})^{-1}$:

$$\Delta\phi_{\max} \approx \frac{2}{3} \text{ radian}$$

- ▷ Chirp \Rightarrow spectral broadening

- ▷ Compensation of anomalous dispersion (solitons)

EFFECT OF SELF-PHASE MODULATION ON THE SPECTRUM OF A PULSE



CROSS-PHASE MODULATION (1)

- Simplified paraxial wave equation for studying cross-phase modulation:

$$\frac{\partial \overline{\mathcal{F}}_1(z', t')}{\partial z'} = -\frac{\alpha}{2} \overline{\mathcal{F}}_1 + i\gamma(|\overline{\mathcal{F}}_1|^2 + 2|\overline{\mathcal{F}}_2|^2) \overline{\mathcal{F}}_1$$

▷ $|\overline{\mathcal{F}}_1|^2 \overline{\mathcal{F}}_1$: SPM

▷ $2|\overline{\mathcal{F}}_2|^2 \overline{\mathcal{F}}_1$: Cross-phase modulation (XPM)

SELF-STEEPENING (1)

- Because of nonlinear effects, the leading edge of a pulse travels more slowly than the trailing edge
 - ▷ Optical shock formation:
The development of an almost-instantaneous transition from near-zero amplitude to a finite amplitude
 - ▷ Critical distance for optical shock formation:

$$L_{\text{shock}} \sim L_{NL} \times (\text{no. of cycles in pulse})$$

SELF-STEEPENING (2)

- Generalized nonlinear Schrödinger equation for normalized fields:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial z'} + \left(i \frac{\beta_2}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t'^2} - \frac{\beta_3}{6} \frac{\partial^3}{\partial t'^3} \right) \right] \overline{\mathcal{F}}(z', t') \\ & = -\frac{\alpha}{2} \overline{\mathcal{F}} + i\gamma \left(1 + i \frac{2}{\omega_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial t'} \right) |\overline{\mathcal{F}}|^2 \overline{\mathcal{F}} \end{aligned}$$

▷ Let $T_0 =$ initial pulse width,

$$\tau = \frac{t'}{T_0},$$

$$\zeta := \frac{z'}{L_{NL}} = \gamma P_0 z',$$

$$e^{-\alpha z'/2} \sqrt{P_0} U(\zeta, \tau) := \overline{\mathcal{F}}(z', t'),$$

$$s := \frac{2}{\omega_0 T_0}$$

SELF-STEEPENING (3)

- Equation describing optical shock formation:

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial \zeta} + s \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} (|U|^2 U) = i|U|^2 U$$

- ▷ Introduce phase ϕ and normalized intensity I :

$$U = \sqrt{I} e^{i\phi}$$

- ▷ New equations:

$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial \zeta} + 3sI \frac{\partial I}{\partial \tau} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \zeta} + sI \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \tau} = I$$

- ▷ Intensity:

$$I(\zeta, \tau) = f(\tau - 3sI\zeta)$$