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The Effects of Five-Order Nonlinear on the Dynamics of Dark Solitons in Optical Fiber

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We study the influence of five-order nonlinear on the dynamic of dark soliton. Starting from the cubic-quintic nonlinear Schrödinger equation with the quadratic phase chirp term, by using a similarity transformation technique, we give the exact solution of dark soliton and calculate the precise expressions of dark soliton's width, amplitude, wave central position, and wave velocity which can describe the dynamic behavior of soliton's evolution. From two different kinds of quadratic phase chirps, we mainly analyze the effect on dark soliton's dynamics which different five-order nonlinear term generates. The results show the following two points with quintic nonlinearities coefficient increasing: (1) if the coefficients of the quadratic phase chirp term relate to the propagation distance, the solitary wave displays a periodic change and the soliton's width increases, while its amplitude and wave velocity reduce. (2) If the coefficients of the quadratic phase chirp term do not depend on propagation distance, the wave function only emerges in a fixed area. The soliton's width increases, while its amplitude and the wave velocity reduce.

1. Introduction

Optical solitons have been proposed to be used as information carrier for the long-distance optical fiber communications and the optical signal processing. There are two of the most basic physical factors in single mode fiber: group velocity dispersion and self-phase modulation. It arrests pulse broadening resulting from group velocity dispersion, and self-phase modulation causes pulse compression. An optical soliton in fiber is based on the exact balance between the group velocity dispersion and the self-phase modulation. In the ideal situation, propagation of optical solitons in single mode fiber is governed by the famous nonlinear Schrödinger (NLS) equation. Recently, it has been extensively studied theoretically by various methods [1–11]. However, in a real fiber, generally, the core medium is not homogeneous [12]. There is always nonuniformity due to many factors. It is mainly shown in two aspects. One reason is that the variation in the lattice parameters of the fiber medium leading to the distance between two neighboring atoms in the optical fiber is not constant; another reason is that the fiber core diameter fluctuations cause the change of the geometric shape of the fiber. Therefore fiber characteristic parameters such as dispersion, self-phase modulation, and optical fiber loss or gain coefficient are not constants. So this system is described as variable coefficient of the nonlinear Schrödinger equation.

The discovery of optical solitons dates back to 1971. Dark solitons form in the normal-dispersion region and appear as an intensity dip whose shape and size do not change. In recent years, the cubic nonlinearities in optical soliton transmission have been attracting more attention, but the general dark solitons under five-order nonlinear term have been much less discussed. When the intensity of the optical pulse propagating inside nonlinear medium exceeds a certain value, it has relatively high coefficient of nonlinear optical materials such as semiconductor doped glass and organic polymer. Even the medium intensity of the optical pulse propagating inside nonlinear medium and the cubic and quintic (CQ) nonlinearities in the governing equation should be taken into consideration [13] because it may affect the spread of the soliton. The research shows that the dark soliton transmission is less affected by environment than bright soliton. Therefore it has potential applications in optical communication system [14].

In this paper, we present the exact solution of dark soliton and calculate the precise expressions of dark soliton's width,
amplitude, wave central position, and wave velocity which can describe the dynamic behavior of soliton's evolution. By comparing different quintic nonlinearities coefficients, we analyzed the influence of five-order nonlinear item in soliton transmission.

2. Exact Dark Solitons Solution

Recently, the application of (1) with various forms of inhomogeneities has been studied in various papers [15–21]. It should be pointed out that without the residual loss/gain term and the five-order nonlinearities term (1) has been studied in different contexts in [15, 16]. With the loss/gain term, (1) has been reported in [19–22] from the light intensity point of view, with five-order nonlinear term being taken into consideration.

Based on the previous discussions, in this paper we considered a generalization of variable coefficients cubic-quintic nonlinear Schrodinger (CQNLS) equation. Considering the inhomogeneities in the fiber, the dynamics of the optical pulse propagation are governed by the following inhomogeneous nonlinear Schrodinger (INLS) equation:

\[
\frac{i}{\alpha}(\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial z}) + \beta(z) \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \tau^2} + \gamma(z) |\psi|^2 \psi + \delta(z) |\psi|^4 \psi + C(z) \tau^2 \psi + ig(z) \psi = 0, \tag{1}
\]

where \(\psi(z, \tau)\) is the complex envelope of the electrical field in a comoving frame, \(z\) is the transmission distance, \(\tau\) is the retarded time, \(\beta(z)\) is the group velocity dispersion parameter, \(\gamma(z)\) and \(\delta(z)\) are the cubic nonlinearity coefficient and the quintic nonlinearity coefficient, respectively; and \(C(z)\) and \(g(z)\) are inhomogeneous parameters related to phase modulation and loss (or gain), which are the functions of the propagation distance \(z\). Qian et al. presented without quintic nonlinearities NLS equation of explicit soliton solutions by using the similarity transformations [23]. In this paper, one dark soliton solution has been obtained by the similarity transformation; it can be given by [24]

\[
\psi(z, \tau) = \frac{a}{\sqrt{-g_0}} \frac{M}{\sqrt{1 + N \sinh^2 (p(z - \omega \tau))}} \sinh \left[ p(z - \omega \tau) \right] \sqrt{1 + N \sinh^2 (\frac{p(z - \omega \tau)}{2})} e^{i \phi(z, \tau)}, \tag{2}
\]

where

\[
\sigma = \frac{(3N-1)p^2}{2}, \quad M = \sqrt{(3N-2)p^2N}, \tag{3}
\]

\[
p = \sqrt{\frac{3(N-1)}{2\beta_0(N-2)^2}},
\]

where \(N\) is a real number. In order to make the above parameters real, we must define that \(N > 1\). Here \(\omega, p,\) and \(M\) are relative to the group velocity, the pulse width, and the amplitude, respectively. \(g_0\) \((g_0 < 0)\) and \(F_0\) are real constants, \(a = a(z)\) is arbitrary function of transmission distance, and \(\alpha(z)\) is a positive definite function of transmission distance. The choice of the parameters can affect the dynamics of some solutions, which will be discussed as follows in detail: \(Z = F_0 \alpha(z) \tau, \quad T = \frac{1}{g_0} \int_0^z a(z) \, dz + T_0\) is to make (1) integrable and obtain the exact solution, where \(T_0\) is arbitrary real constant. Integrability conditions on (1) for exact solutions by the similarity transformation used in the paper are

\[
\beta(z) = \frac{a}{2g_0^2F_0^2}, \quad \delta(z) = \frac{g_0a^2F_0^2}{g_0}, \tag{4}
\]

in which \([25–31]\), \(G_0 = -\beta_0 g_0^2\), where \(\beta_0\) is the arbitrary real constant.

3. The Dynamics of Dark Solitons in Optical Fiber

The properties of some solutions have been studied, such as width, amplitude, wave center position, and most of them can be controlled by \(a(z), \alpha(z),\) and so forth. This situation will be seen apparently in the following by using their exact expressions.

3.1. The Coefficients of the Quadratic Phase Chirp Term with Propagation Distance. To study the dynamics of the dark soliton in the optical fiber, we choose \(a = 1, \alpha = 1 + \epsilon \cos(\omega_0 z),\) where \(\alpha\) is arbitrary functions of propagation distance where required, with \(\epsilon \in (-1, 1), \) and \(\omega_0 \in \mathbb{R}\). Then we can get the coefficients of the quadratic phase chirp term, which is

\[
C(z) = \frac{1}{4} \frac{\epsilon g_0 \omega_0^2}{F_0^2} [\epsilon^2 + 2 \cos(\omega_0 z) + \epsilon \cos(2 \omega_0 z)]. \tag{5}
\]

Quintic nonlinearities terms are expressed by

\[
\delta(z) = -\beta_0 g_0 [1 + \epsilon \cos(\omega_0 z)]^2 F_0^2. \tag{6}
\]

Dark solitary wave intensity is given by

\[
|\psi|^2 = - \frac{M^2 \sinh^2 (p(z - \omega \tau))}{g_0 F_0 [1 + \epsilon \cos(\omega_0 z)] \sinh^2 (\frac{p(z - \omega \tau)}{2})}, \tag{7}
\]

where

\[
Z = F_0 [1 + \epsilon \cos(\omega_0 z)] \tau, \quad T = g_0^{-1} z + T_0. \tag{8}
\]
Thus, the expressions of soliton’s wave amplitude, width, wave central position, and wave velocity are written as follows:

\[
|\psi|^2_{\text{max}} = \frac{\beta_0 F_0 M^2 \sinh^2(-p\omega T) \left[1 + \epsilon \cos(\omega_0 z)\right]}{\delta(z) \left[1 + N \sinh^2(-p\omega T)\right]}, \tag{9}
\]

\[
W(z) = \frac{1}{2k} \ln \left(\left(2 + (2 + N) \sinh^2(b) + 2 \sinh(b) \times \sqrt{2 + (1 + N) \sinh^2(b)}\right) \times \left(2 + (2 + N) \sinh^2(b) - 2 \sinh(b) \times \sqrt{2 + (1 + N) \sinh^2(b)}\right)^{-1}\right), \tag{10}
\]

where

\[
k = -\frac{\delta(z) p}{\beta_0 g_0 F_0 \left[1 + \epsilon \cos(\omega_0 z)\right]}, \quad b = -p\omega T. \tag{11}
\]

Figure 1(a) demonstrates the intensity profiles of the dark soliton wave functions, which vary with time. Figure 1(b) shows the density in Figure 1(a). Figures 1(c), 1(d), and 1(e) present the change of width, amplitude, and velocity of the wave center through different parameters of quintic nonlinearities \( \delta = 1, \delta = 2, \) and \( \delta = 3, \) respectively. With the increasing transmission distance, the solitary wave displays a periodic change in the width and amplitude, and the velocity of the wave center executes periodic oscillations and an increase in the magnitude; thus the soliton can spread steadily and have application value in the communication.

From the explicit expressions of (9), (10), (12), and (13), we find that the quintic nonlinearities term \( \delta(z) \) affects directly dark soliton’s width, amplitude, and wave central position.
and velocity. With quintic nonlinearities term increasing, the soliton’s width increases and its amplitude reduces, while the velocity of the wave center $v_c$ of the soliton also reduces.

3.2. The Coefficients of the Quadratic Phase Chirp Term Depend on Propagation Distance. If we take $a = \alpha^2$, $C(z) = \lambda$, where $\lambda$ is a constant, we can obtain $\alpha = C_0 \text{sech}(C_0 z)$, where $C_0 = \sqrt{-2 \beta_0 g_0 F_0 / \delta(z)}$. In this case, the coefficients $\beta$, $\gamma$ are constants, $\gamma$ is a function of distance, and the gain $g$ is vanishing.

Quintic nonlinearities terms are expressed by

$$\delta(z) = -\beta_0 g_0 F_0^2.$$  

Dark solitary wave intensity is given by

$$|\psi|^2 = -\frac{C_0 M^2 \text{sech}(C_0 z) \sinh^2 [p \left(Z - \omega T\right)]}{g_0 F_0 \left[1 + N \sinh^2 \left[p \left(Z - \omega T\right)\right]\right]},$$  

where

$$Z = F_0 C_0 \text{sech}(C_0 z) \tau, \quad T = g_0^{-1} C_0 \tanh(C_0 z) + T_0.$$  

Thus, the expressions of soliton’s width, amplitude, wave central position, and wave velocity are written as follows:

$$|\psi|^2_{\text{max}} = \frac{\beta_0 F_0 C_0 M^2 \text{sech}(C_0 z) \sinh^2 \left(-\omega T\right)}{\delta(z) \left[1 + N \sinh^2 \left(-\omega T\right)\right]},$$  

$$W(z) = \frac{1}{C_0 z} \frac{2 + \sqrt{4 k^2 - (\ln B - 2 b)^2}}{2 - \sqrt{4 k^2 - (\ln B - 2 b)^2}},$$  

where

$$B = \left(2 + (2 + N) \sinh^2(b) + 2 \sinh(b)\right) \times \sqrt{2 + (1 + N) \sinh^2(b)} \quad \text{and} \quad b = -\omega T,$$

$$k = \rho F_0 C_0, \quad b = -\omega T.$$
\[ x_c = -\frac{\beta_0 F_0 \omega \sinh(C_0 z)}{\delta(z)}, \quad (20) \]
\[ v_c = -\frac{\beta_2 C_0 F_0 \omega \cosh(C_0 z)}{\delta(z)}. \quad (21) \]

In Figure 2, we plot the decaying bent solitary waves to show how they behave as functions of propagation distance. Figure 2(a) demonstrates the intensity profiles of \( \psi \). Figure 2(b) shows the density of Figure 2(a). Figures 2(c), 2(d), and 2(e) present the change of width, amplitude, and velocity of the wave center through different parameters of quintic nonlinearities \( \delta = 1, \delta = 2, \) and \( \delta = 3 \), respectively. We can see from Figures 2(c), 2(d), and 2(e), with the increasing transmission distance, that the solitary wave decreases in the width. The amplitude varies from increase to decrease. And the velocity of the wave center increases.

From the explicit expressions of (17), (18), (20), and (21), we find that the quintic nonlinearities term \( \delta(z) \) affects directly dark soliton's width, amplitude, wave central position, and wave velocity. With quintic nonlinearities term increasing, the soliton's width increases, and its amplitude reduces, while the velocity of the wave center \( v_c \) of the soliton also reduces. We find that the wave function only appears in a fixed area. In other words, the wave function appears to be a local structure; that is, it only emerges within the fixed area, rather than varying with time. Therefore, the structure is a new phenomenon.

4. Conclusion

In this paper, we have considered an inhomogeneous nonlinear Schrödinger equation including the fifth-order nonlinear and chirp term. And by using the similarity transformation, the dark soliton solution has been presented. By changing parameters \( a(z), \alpha(z) \), and so forth, we have modified the frequency chip. If the coefficients of the quadratic phase chirp term relate to the propagation distance, with the increasing transmission distance, the velocity of the wave center executes periodic oscillations and an increase in the magnitude, and the solitary wave displays a periodic change in the width and amplitude; thus the soliton can spread steadily and have application value in communication. When the coefficients of the quadratic phase chirp term are constants, the wave function appears to be a local structure; that is, it only emerges in the fixed area, rather than varying with time. Therefore, the structure is a new phenomenon. By comparing with different higher order term, we analyzed the influence of five-order nonlinear item on soliton transmission. The results show the main characteristics of the train of optical solitons. So the study of dark solitons in real optical fiber is meaningful. Relevant application deserves to be further studied.

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