

Decay estimates for Dispersion Management Solitons

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Separation of variables: $v(t, x) = e^{i\omega t} f(x)$ yields

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- **Conjecture:** No solution exists for negative average dispersion.

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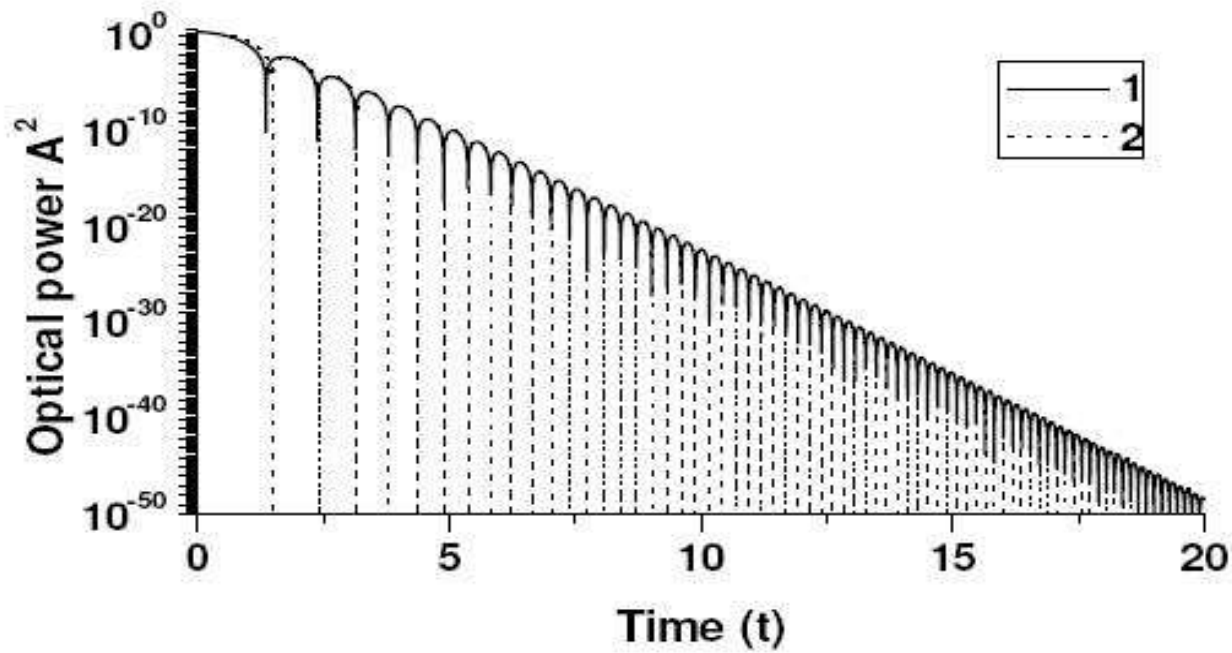
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New insight: The same bound holds if the supports of g and $f_{<}$ are separated!

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