

# **THE INTERACTION OF NEAR-LIMIT SOLITONS IN STRONGLY NONLINEAR MODELS OF INTERNAL WAVES**

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# From weakly nonlinear model equations (KdV, Bussinesq, Gardner and ...)



## To strongly nonlinear long-wave equations

Choi, Camassa (CC-model), 1999

$$\eta_{1,2t} + (\eta_{1,2} u_{1,2})_x = 0;$$

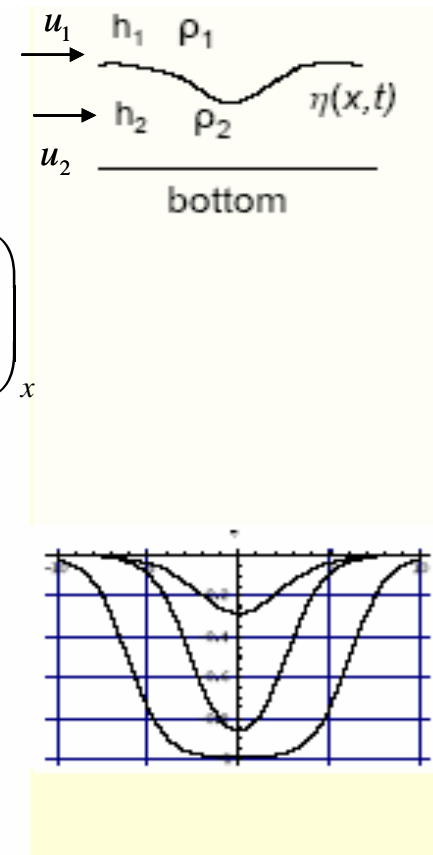
$$\rho_{1,2} (u_{1,2t} + u_{1,2} u_{1,2x} + g \xi_x) = -p_x + \frac{1}{3\eta_{1,2}} \left( \eta_{1,2}^3 \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + u_{1,2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right)^2 \xi \right)_x$$

$\eta_{1,2} = h_{1,2} + \xi$  the perturbed thicknesses of layers

$\xi(x, t)$  the vertical displacement of the liquid layer boundary

$u_{1,2}$  mean (along the vertical coordinate) values of the horizontal velocity of liquid in the layers

$\rho_{1,2}$  the densities of liquid in each layer



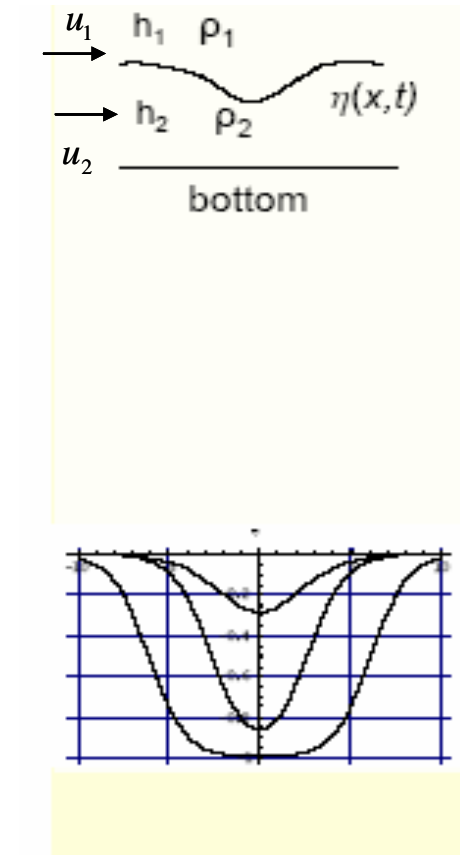
**Ostrovsky, Grue (OG),2003**

$$\zeta_t + c(\zeta)\zeta_x + \beta(\zeta)\zeta_{xxx} = 0$$

$c(\zeta)$  – velocity of simple(Reman) waves

$$\beta(\zeta) = 1/6c(\zeta)(h_1 + \zeta)(h_2 - \zeta)$$

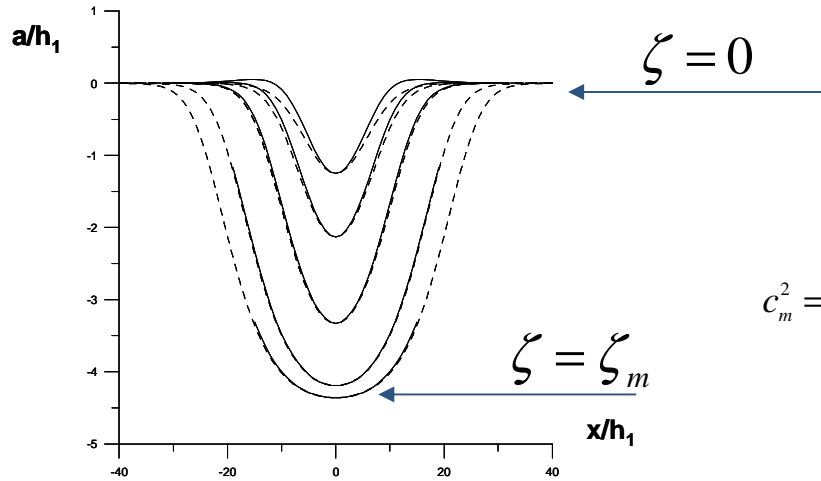
Local dispersion  
parametercorrespondin to that KdV



# Strongly nonlinear solitons and kinks

Family of solitons

$$h_1/h_2 = 1/10, \rho_1/\rho_2 = 0.997$$



Possible values of solitons amplitudes(a) and velocities(c)

$$c_0^2 < c^2 < c_m^2, 0 < |a|^2 < |\xi_m|^2$$

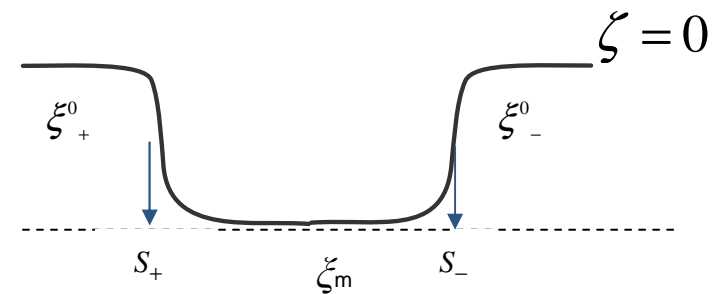
$$c_m^2 = g(h_1 + h_2) \frac{1 - (\rho_1/\rho_2)^{1/2}}{1 + (\rho_1/\rho_2)^{1/2}}$$

$$c_0^2 = gh_1h_2 \frac{\rho_2 - \rho_1}{\rho_1h_2 + \rho_2h_1}$$

$$\xi_m = \frac{h_1 - h_2(\rho_1/\rho_2)^{1/2}}{1 + (\rho_1/\rho_2)^{1/2}}$$

1.  $a \rightarrow 0 (c \rightarrow c_0)$  – KdV solitons

2.  $a \rightarrow \xi_m (c \rightarrow c_m)$  – Strongly nonlinear solitons



$$\xi_s^0(x, t) \approx \xi_+^0(x - c_m t - S_+) + \xi_-^0(x - c_m t - S_-) - \xi_m$$

compound of kinks of opposite polarities

$\xi_+^0$

$\xi_-^0$

Behavior of kinks near their asymptotic  $\zeta = 0, \quad \xi = \zeta_m$

$$\xi_+ = \begin{cases} e_0 e^{\Lambda_0(x-S_+)} \text{npu} (X - S_+) \rightarrow -\infty \\ \xi_m + e_m e^{-\Lambda_m(x-S_+)} \text{npu} (X - S_+) \rightarrow +\infty \end{cases}$$

$$\xi_- = \begin{cases} \xi_m + e_m e^{\Lambda_m(x-S_-)} \text{npu} (X - S_-) \rightarrow -\infty \\ e_0 e^{-\Lambda_0(x-S_-)} \text{npu} (X - S_-) \rightarrow +\infty \end{cases}$$

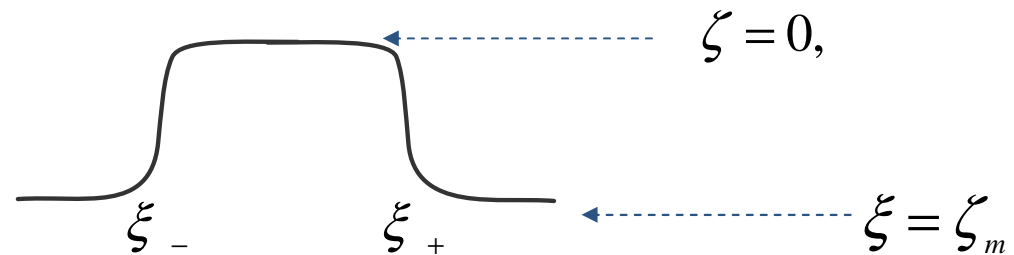
It is important for future:

1.  $\Lambda_0 \neq \Lambda_m$  (in general case)

2. compound of transposing kinks  $((S_+ - S_-) > 0)$

is a solitons opposite polarity with non-zero asymptotic:  $\zeta_s \rightarrow \zeta_m$

$$\xi_s^0(x, t) \approx \xi_+^0(x - c_m t - S_+) + \xi_-^0(x - c_m t - S_-)$$



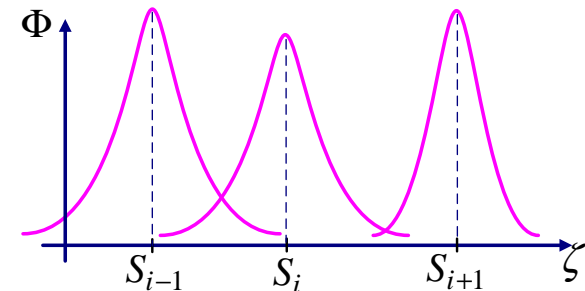
# Interaction of solitons close to limiting (equations of motion for kinks)

1. CC and OG – nonintegrable systems    2. Numerical simulation does not give a qualitative understanding

3. As a possibility – approximate description of solitons interaction as classical particles:

Field structure:

$$\zeta(x, t) = \sum_i^N \zeta_s(x - ct - S_i(t), c_m + \dot{S}_i) + \sum \varepsilon^n \zeta^n(x, t), \varepsilon \propto \dot{S}_i / c$$



Equation for coordinates of solitons:

$$m d^2 S_i / dt^2 = \alpha [e^{-\Lambda_0(S_i - S_{i-1})} - e^{-\Lambda_0(S_i - S_{i+1})}]$$

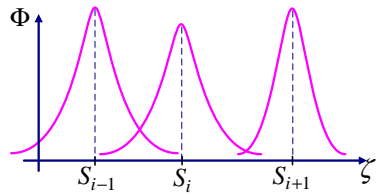
$m = \partial P / \partial c$  “mass” soliton

$P$  – full momentum of soliton

$\alpha e^{-\Lambda_0(S_i - S_{i-1})}$  – product exponential asymptotics of neighboring solitons

For limiting solitons:  
width, momentum  $\rightarrow \infty$

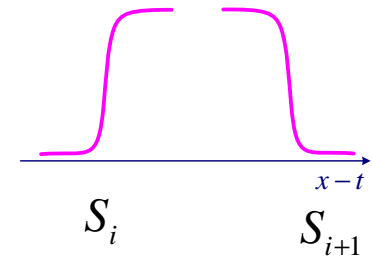
Description of transformation length, momentum of solitons – become ineffective



Solitons interaction



Interaction of kinks



## Structure of global solution

$$\zeta(x, t) = \sum_{i=1}^{2N} \zeta_i^{(0)}(x - c_m t - S_i(t)) + \sum \varepsilon^n \zeta^n - N \zeta_m$$

$$\frac{dS_i}{dt} = - \left\{ \begin{array}{l} M_0 e^{-\Lambda_0(S_i - S_{i-1})} + M_m e^{-\Lambda_m(S_{i+1} - S_i)}, \quad i = 2p + 1 \\ M_m e^{-\Lambda_m(S_i - S_{i-1})} + M_0 e^{-\Lambda_0(S_{i+1} - S_i)}, \quad i = 2p \end{array} \right.$$

Π-flux momentum

substitution

$$R_i = \begin{cases} \Lambda_m(S_{i+1} - S_i) - \ln(\Lambda_0 M_m), & i = 2p - 1 \\ \Lambda_0(S_{i+1} - S_i) - \ln(\Lambda_m M_0), & i = 2p \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{dR_i}{dt} = e^{-R_{i-1}} - e^{-R_{i+1}}$$

## Integrable system Kac-Mierbeke

Conservation law:  $\partial P / \partial t + \partial \Pi / \partial x = 0$

For solitons:

$$P \rightarrow P + \Delta P, \Delta P \square \dot{S} \partial P / \partial c \rightarrow \partial P / \partial t \square \dot{S}$$

For

$$\text{kinks: } P \rightarrow P + \Delta P, \Delta P \square \Delta S \rightarrow \partial P / \partial t \square \dot{S}$$

# Explicit form of general solution

General solution can be obtain by using the solution for kinks coordinates found earlier for Gardner model

$$s_{i=2p-1} = \ln\left[\frac{a_{N-p+1}^{(+)}}{a_{N-p}^{(+)}}\right]; s_{i=2p} = \ln\left[\frac{a_{N-p+1}^{(-)}}{a_{N-p}^{(-)}}\right] \quad (p=2,3,\dots)$$

$$a_N^{(\pm)} = 1, a_{N-1}^{(\pm)} = \sum_{j=1}^N \exp[\varepsilon_j(t - T_j) \pm \delta_j]$$

$$a_{N-2}^{(\pm)}(t) = \sum_{1 < j_1 < j_2}^N \exp[\varepsilon_{j_1}(t - T_{j_1}) + \varepsilon_{j_2}(t - T_{j_2}) \pm \delta_{j_1} \pm \delta_{j_2} \pm A_{j_1, j_2}],$$

$$a_{N-p}^{(\pm)}(t) = \sum_{1 < j_1 < j_2 \dots j_p}^N \exp\left[\sum_{k=1}^p [\varepsilon_{j_k}(t - T_{j_k}) \pm \delta_{j_k}] + \sum_{1 < j_k < j_l}^p A_{j_k, j_l}\right],$$

$$a_0^{(\pm)} = \exp\left[\sum_{j=1}^N \exp[\varepsilon_j(t - T_j) \pm \delta_j] + \sum_{1 < j < j_1}^N A_{j, j_1}\right],$$

where  $\varepsilon_j, T_j$  are independent parameters characterizing relative velocities and positions of solitons

$$\delta_j = (\ln(2/\varepsilon_j))/2, \exp A_{j_k j_l} = (\varepsilon_{j_k} - \varepsilon_{j_l})^2 / 4$$

The differences  $r_i = s_{i+1} - s_i$ , in it satisfy the same equations as  $R_i$  in the present case (CC-model)



## The total phase shift of the kinks centers

$$\Delta S_p = \frac{1}{\Lambda_0} \left( \sum_{q=1}^{p-1} A_{pq} - \sum_{q=p+1}^N A_{pq} \right) - (\Lambda_m^{-1} - \Lambda_0^{-1}) \left( \sum_{q=1}^{p-1} \delta_q - \sum_{q=p+1}^N \delta_q \right) \\ + (N-1) [\Lambda_m^{-1} \ln(\Lambda_0 M_m) + \Lambda_0^{-1} \ln(\Lambda_m M_0)]$$

The total phase shift  $\Delta S_p$  is equal to the

sum of particle phase shifts  $\Delta S_{p,q}$   $\longrightarrow$  are due to the collisions of a given soliton separately with each of the other

$$\Delta S_{p,q} = \pm \frac{1}{\Lambda_0} A_{p,q} \pm \left( \frac{1}{\Lambda_m} - \frac{1}{\Lambda_0} \right) \delta_q + \frac{1}{\Lambda_m} \ln(M_m \Lambda_0)$$

$\pm$  correspond to the cases of  $p > q$  and  $p < q$

For solitons of Gardner equation

$$\Lambda = \Lambda_0, M_0 = M_m$$

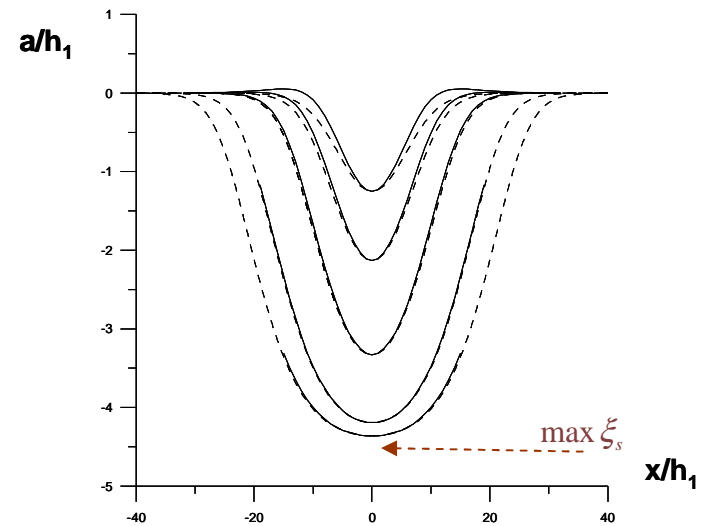
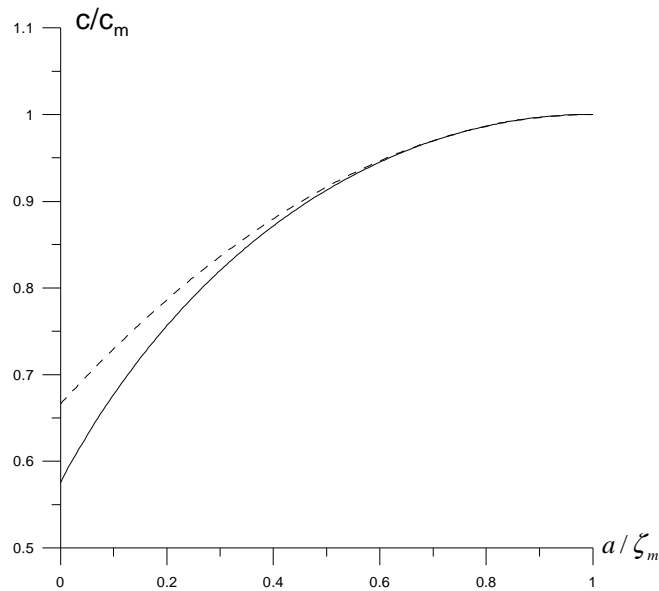
$$\Delta S_{p,q} = \pm A_{p,q} = \pm \ln \left( \frac{\epsilon_p - \epsilon_q}{2} \right)^2$$

# Compound solitons and their interactions

## A single soliton (two-kink solution)

$$\xi_s(x-ct) = \xi_1(X-S_1) + \xi_2(X-S_2) - \xi_m + O(\varepsilon)$$

$$h_1/h_2 = 1/10, \rho_1/\rho_2 = 0.997$$



$$c_m - c = \Lambda_0^{-1} \varepsilon \equiv M_m e^{-\Lambda_m(S_2 - S_1)}$$



$$a = \max \xi_s \equiv \xi_m + 2e_m e^{-\Lambda_m(S_1 - S_2)/2}$$

$$S_1 = -\Lambda_0^{-1} \varepsilon t, S_2 = -\Lambda_0^{-1} \varepsilon t + \Lambda_m^{-1} (2\delta + \ln M_m \Lambda_0)$$

## Interaction of two solitons

$$\zeta(x, t) = \sum_{i=1}^4 \zeta_i^{(0)}(X - S_i) - 2\zeta_m + O(\varepsilon),$$

$$S_1 = -\Lambda_0^{-1} \cdot \ln a_1^{(+)} \quad S_2 = -\Lambda_0^{-1} \cdot \ln a_1^{(+)} + \Lambda_m^{-1} \cdot \ln \frac{a_1^{(+)}}{a_1^{(-)}} + \Lambda_m^{-1} \cdot \ln(M_m \Lambda_0)$$

$$S_3 = \Lambda_0^{-1} \cdot \ln \frac{a_1^{(-)}}{a_1^{(+)}} + \Lambda_m^{-1} \cdot \ln \frac{a_1^{(+)}}{a_1^{(-)}} + \Lambda_m^{-1} \cdot \ln(M_m \Lambda_0) + \Lambda_0^{-1}(M_0 \Lambda_m)$$

$$S_4 = \Lambda_0^{-1} \cdot \ln \frac{a_1^{(-)}}{a_1^{(+)}} + 2\Lambda_m^{-1} \cdot \ln(M_m \Lambda_0) + \Lambda_0^{-1} \cdot \ln(M_0 \Lambda_m) + 2\Lambda_m^{-1}(\delta_1 + \delta_2)$$

where  $\varepsilon_j$ ,  $T_j$  are independent parameters characterizing relative velocities and positions of solitons

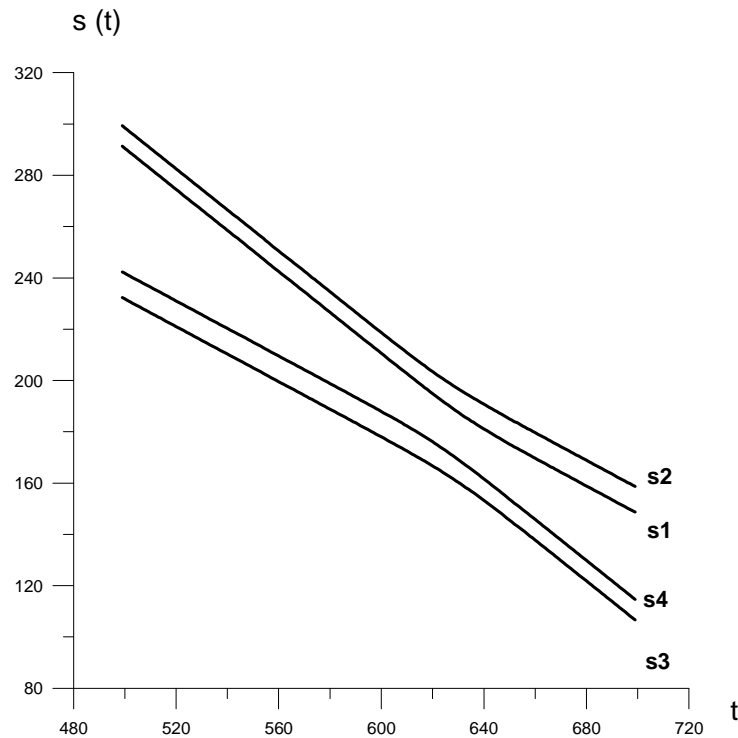
$$a_1^{(+)} = e^{\varepsilon_1(t-T_1) \pm \delta_1} + e^{\varepsilon_2(t-T_2) \pm \delta_2},$$

$$a_0^{(+)} = \exp[\varepsilon_1(t-T_1) + \delta_1 + \varepsilon_2(t-T_2) \pm \delta_2 + A_{12}]$$

$$\delta_{1,2} = \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{2}{\varepsilon_{1,2}} \quad A_{12} = \ln \left( \frac{\varepsilon_1 - \varepsilon_2}{2} \right)^2, \quad \varepsilon_1 < \varepsilon_2$$

## Two limiting case

1.  $\epsilon_2 - \epsilon_1 \ll \epsilon_{1,2}$  — Interaction of soliton as classical particles



Phase shift



$$\Delta s_{1,2} = \pm 1 / \Lambda_0 \ln\left(\frac{\epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2}{2}\right)^2$$

$$\pm 2\left(\frac{1}{\Lambda_m} - \frac{1}{\Lambda_0}\right) \ln \frac{2}{\epsilon_{1,2}} \approx \pm 1 / \Lambda_0 \ln\left(\frac{\epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2}{2}\right)^2$$

As for classical particles!

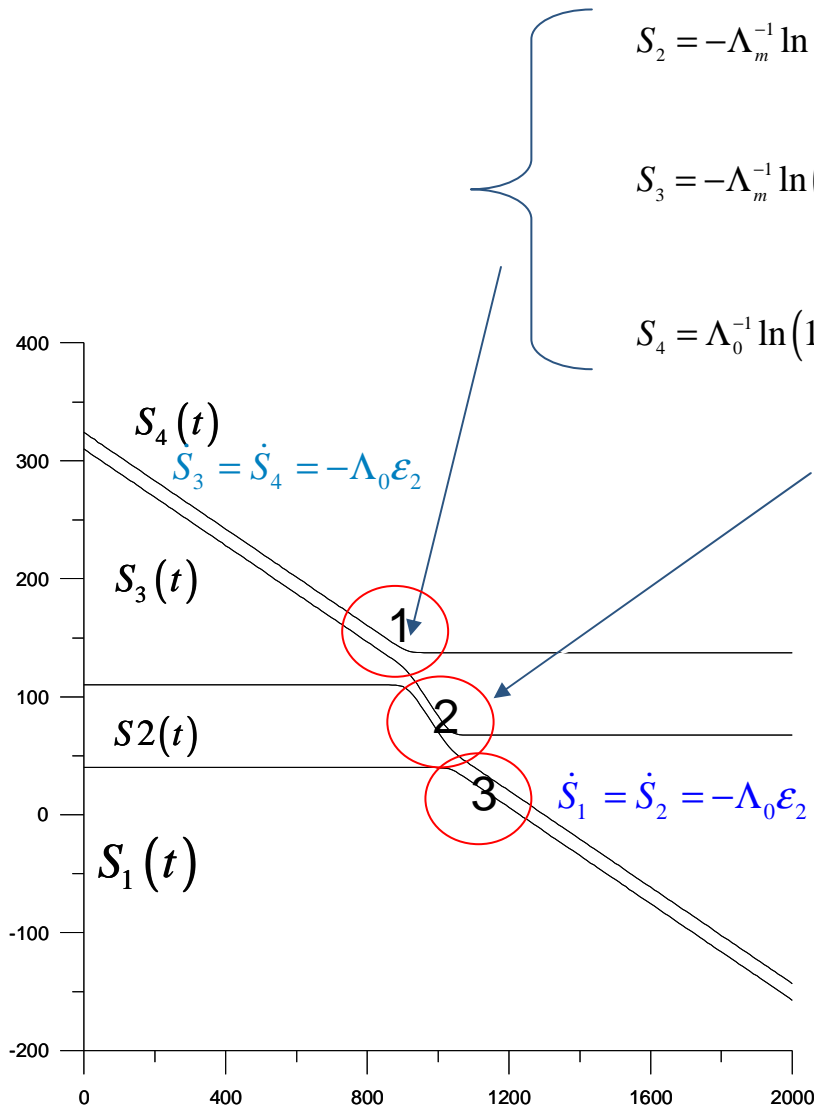
$2.\epsilon_1 \square \epsilon_2 \square 1$

Three kink interaction ( $\epsilon_1 \rightarrow 0, \epsilon_1 T_1 = \delta_1$ )

$$S_2 = -\Lambda_m^{-1} \ln(1 + e^{\epsilon_2(t-T_2)-\delta_2})$$

$$S_3 = -\Lambda_m^{-1} \ln(1 + e^{\epsilon_2(t-T_2)-\delta_2}) + \Lambda_0^{-1} \ln(1 + e^{-\epsilon_2(t-T_2)+\delta_2}) + \Lambda_0^{-1} \ln(2M_0\Lambda_m / \epsilon_2)$$

$$S_4 = \Lambda_0^{-1} \ln(1 + e^{-\epsilon_2(t-T_2)+\delta_2}) + \Lambda_0^{-1} \ln(2M_0\Lambda_m / \epsilon_2) + \Lambda_m^{-1} \ln(2M_m\Lambda_0 / \epsilon_2)$$

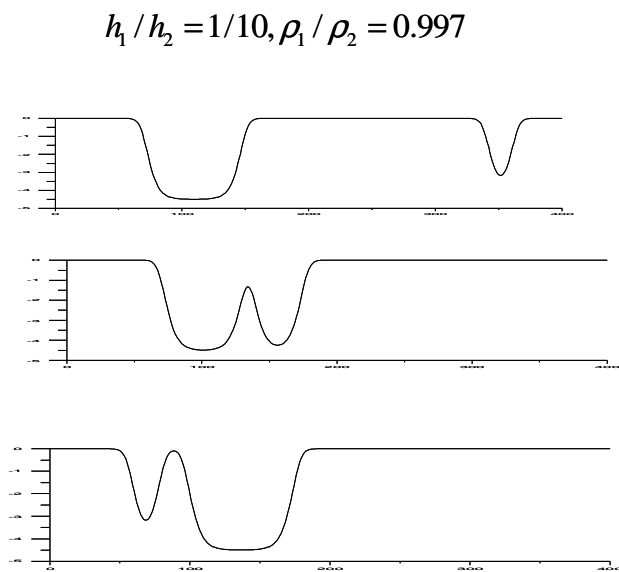


Soliton opposite polarity

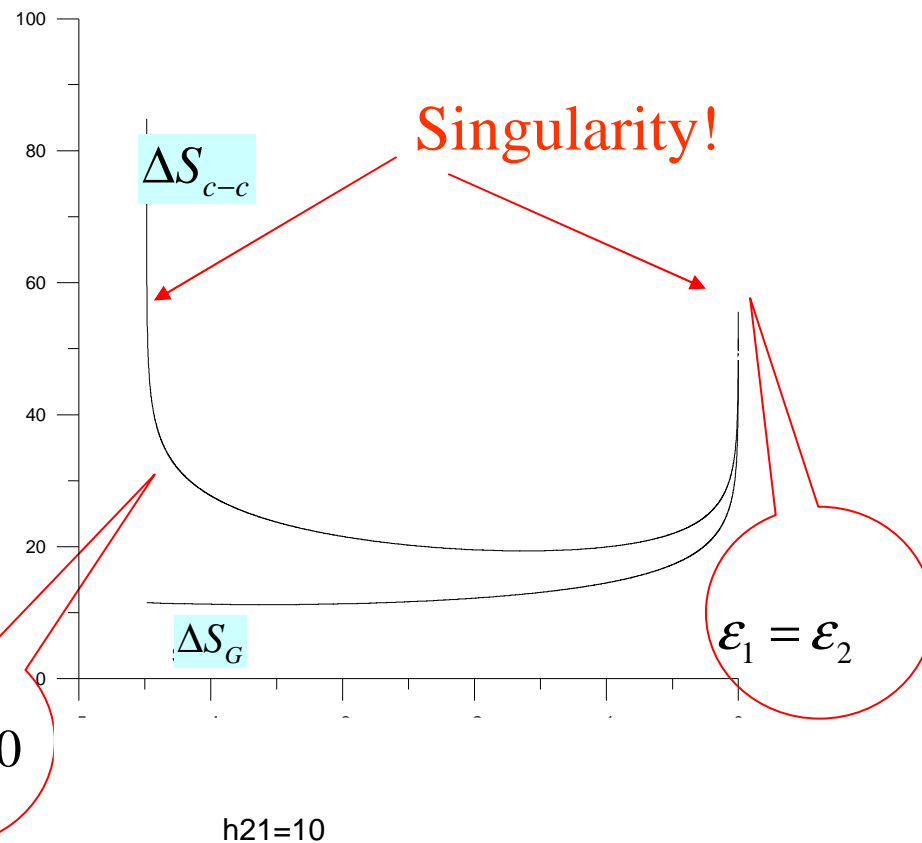
$$\dot{S}_2 = \dot{S}_3 = -\Lambda_m \epsilon_2$$

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# Some features of strong soliton interaction.



Interaction of two solitons



The dependencies of phase shifts on  $\epsilon_1$

## Concluding remarks

- The description of solitons as compounds of kinks seems to be most adequate to strongly nonlinear waves having a property of approach a limiting, tabletop stage
- We hope that the theory developed here illustrates the efficiency of perturbation approach for non – integrable equations such as the CC-system**
- The limiting of a soliton amplitude is a realistic situation in oceanography**