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**Cynthia V. Flores\***, cynthia@math.ucsb.edu. *On decay properties of solutions to the IVP for the Benjamin-Ono equation.*

In this work we investigate unique continuation properties of solutions to the initial value problem associated to the Benjamin-Ono equation given by

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u + \mathcal{H}\partial_x^2 u + u\partial_x u = 0, & x, t \in \mathbb{R} \\ u(x, 0) = u_0(x) \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

with  $\mathcal{H}$  denoting the Hilbert transform

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}f(x) &= \frac{1}{\pi} \text{p.v.} \left( \frac{1}{x} * f \right)(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \lim_{\epsilon \downarrow 0} \int_{\epsilon < |y| < \frac{1}{\epsilon}} \frac{f(x-y)}{y} dy \\ &= -i (\text{sgn}(\xi) \widehat{f}(\xi))^\vee(x). \end{aligned}$$

in weighted Sobolev spaces  $Z_{s,r} = H^s(\mathbb{R}) \cap L^2(|x|^{2r} dx)$  for  $s \in \mathbb{R}$ , and  $s \geq 1$ ,  $s \geq r$ . More precisely, we prove that the uniqueness property based on a decay requirement at three times can not be lowered to two times even by imposing stronger decay on the initial data. (Received July 19, 2013)