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Equation (4.2) in Grue (2017) employs the approximation $\partial \phi_F / \partial t \simeq -p/\rho$ (ϕ_F the potential at the surface, p the given surface pressure, ρ the density). This is a valid approximation in the supercritical case with $Fr^2 = U^2/gh \gg 1$ (U the speed of the moving pressure, g the acceleration due to gravity, h the water depth, Fr the depth Froude number). In the subcritical case with $Fr^2 = U^2/gh < 1$ the hydrostatic term in the dynamic boundary condition at the free surface gives a significant contribution, however. This results in a multiplicative factor of $-Fr^2/(1 - Fr^2)$ of the asymptotic upstream wave elevations derived in § 4. The revised result is obtained from the linear free surface boundary condition: $\partial^2 \phi / \partial t^2 + g \partial \phi / \partial y = -\partial (p/\rho) / \partial t$, at y = 0, where ϕ is the velocity potential. In a frame of reference moving with the speed U of the surface pressure, along the x_1 -direction, where $\partial/\partial t = -U\partial/\partial x_1$, the free surface boundary condition gives

$$-U^2 k_1^2 \hat{\phi}_F + g \frac{\partial \hat{\phi}}{\partial y} = \mathrm{i} k_1 U \frac{\hat{p}}{\rho}, \qquad (0.1)$$

where a hat denotes a Fourier transform and $\mathbf{k} = (k_1, k_2)$ is the wavenumber in Fourier space. The normal velocity $\partial \phi / \partial y$ is connected to the velocity potential at the free surface by the solution of the Laplace equation, expressed in terms of the Fourier transform, for a fluid layer of constant depth *h* by $\partial \phi / \partial y = k \tanh kh \hat{\phi}_F = (\omega^2/g)\hat{\phi}_F$, giving

$$(\omega^2 - U^2 k_1^2) \hat{\phi}_F = i k_1 U \frac{\hat{p}}{\rho}, \qquad (0.2)$$

and yielding

$$-ik_1 U\hat{\phi} = Fr^2 \mathcal{C} \, \frac{\hat{p}}{\rho}, \quad \mathcal{C} = \frac{k_1^2/k^2}{1 - (k_1^2/k^2)Fr^2}, \tag{0.3a,b}$$

where $k = |\mathbf{k}|$ and the spectral wave speed $c = \omega/k \to \sqrt{gh}$ for $k \to 0$. The constant C is positive in the subcritical case $(Fr^2 < 1)$ and negative for $(k_1^2/k^2)Fr^2 > 1$. The product $Fr^2C \to -1$ for $Fr^2 \gg 1$. The two-dimensional case gives the coefficient as $C_0 = 1/(1 - Fr^2)$, yielding $\partial \phi_F/\partial t = Fr^2C_0 p/\rho$.

In three dimensions, in the subcritical case, we obtain

$$-ik_1 U \hat{\phi}_F = \frac{\hat{p}}{\rho} \left(Fr^2 \frac{k_1^2}{k^2} + Fr^4 \frac{k_1^4}{k^4} + Fr^6 \frac{k_1^6}{k^6} + \dots + \right).$$
(0.4)

Assuming that the pressure distribution is a delta function in the two horizontal directions with $p(x_1, x_2) = \rho g V_0 \delta(x_1) \delta(x_2)$ where V_0 is the volume of the pressure

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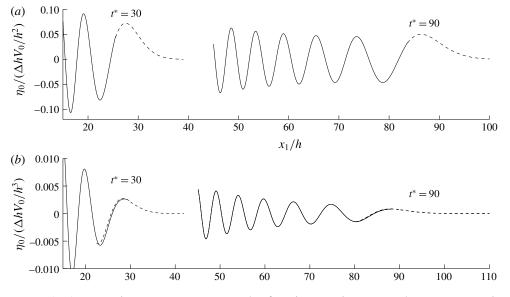


FIGURE 1. Asymptotic upstream waves. Delta function moving over a bottom step, $\Delta h > 0$, Fr = 0.5, $t^* = t\sqrt{g/h} = 30$, 90. Stationary phase, ——; wave front expressions, ---. (a) Two dimensions. (b) Three dimensions.

distribution, its Fourier transform becomes $\hat{p} = \rho g V_0$. Evaluating the inverse Fourier transform of the first term on the right-hand side of (0.4) gives

$$\phi_F \simeq \frac{V_0 U}{(2\pi)^2 h} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{ik_1 e^{i(k_1 x_1 + k_2 x_2)}}{k_1^2 + k_2^2} \, \mathrm{d}k_1 \, \mathrm{d}k_2 = -\frac{V_0 U}{2\pi h} \frac{x_1}{x_1^2 + x_2^2}.$$
 (0.5)

The contribution to the right-hand side of (4.1) becomes

$$\hat{h}_1 \simeq -ik_1 \Delta h \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi_F|_{x_1 = -Ut} \, \mathrm{d}x_2 = \frac{ik_1 \Delta h V_0 U}{2\pi h} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{-Ut}{(Ut)^2 + x_2^2} \, \mathrm{d}x_2 = -\frac{ik_1 \Delta h V_0 U}{2h} \frac{t}{|t|}.$$
(0.6)

The contribution to the Fourier-transformed wave elevation becomes

$$\hat{\eta}_0 = -\frac{ik_1 \Delta h V_0 U}{2h} \int_{t_0}^t \cos \omega (s-t) \frac{s}{|s|} \, \mathrm{d}s = -\frac{ik_1 \Delta h V_0 F r^2}{U \omega/g} \sin \omega t. \tag{0.7}$$

The successive contributions from the expansion give

$$\hat{\eta}_0 = -\frac{ik_1 \Delta h V_0 F r^2 (1 + F r^2 + F r^4 \dots)}{U \omega/g} \sin \omega t = -\frac{ik_1 \Delta h V_0 F r^2 \mathcal{C}_0}{U \omega/g} \sin \omega t, \qquad (0.8)$$

which replaces (4.4) in §4, where $C_0 = 1 + Fr^2 + Fr^4 + \cdots = 1/(1 - Fr^2)$ ($Fr^2 < 1$). The subsequent results for the elevations in §4 are multiplied by the factor $-Fr^2C_0$. The asymptotics show a leading wave of elevation, for a positive step with $\Delta h > 0$; see the corrected figure 1. This correction does not affect the results of the fully dispersive calculations.

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