

Non-homogeneous rogue wave probability over a shoal

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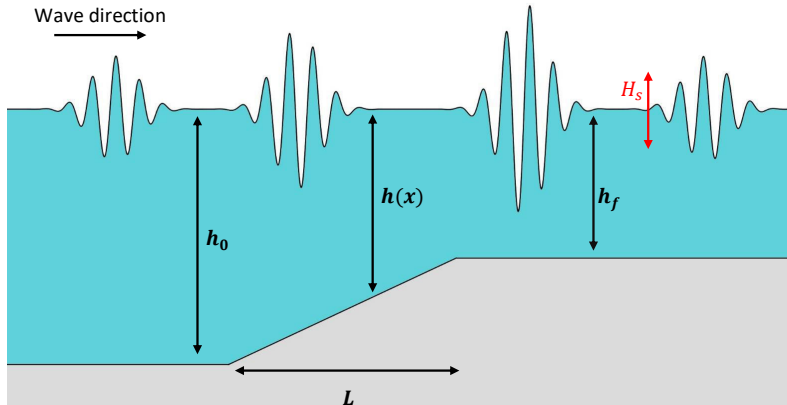
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Non-Gaussian Statistics Paradox

- Rogue waves are less common for $kh \lesssim 1$ [Glukhovskii, 1966]
- RWs are strongly amplified within $kh \in [0.5, 1.5]$ [Raustøl, 2014]
- Is it possible to connect a PDE solution to probabilities?



Bathymetry effect on the probability distribution

- Initially Rayleigh distribution over a flat bottom:

$$\mathcal{R}_\alpha(H > \alpha H_s) = e^{-2\alpha^2} \quad .$$

- Non-homogeneous spectral analysis [[Mendes et al., 2022](#)]:

$$\Gamma(x) = \frac{\mathbb{E}[\zeta^2(x, t)](x)}{\mathcal{E}(x)} \approx \frac{\langle \zeta^2 \rangle_t(x)}{\mathcal{E}(x)} \quad .$$

- Evolving distribution over a shoal (universal amplification):

$$\mathcal{R}_{\alpha, \Gamma}(H > \alpha H_s) = e^{-2\alpha^2 / \mathfrak{S}^2 \Gamma} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{\mathbb{P}_{\alpha, \Gamma}}{\mathbb{P}_\alpha} \approx e^{2\alpha^2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{\mathfrak{S}^2 \Gamma}\right)} \quad ,$$

where $1 \leq \mathfrak{S} \leq 2$ is the vertical asymmetry between crest height and trough depths.

Deriving probability distributions

- Generalized velocity potential Φ and surface elevation $\zeta(x, t)$:

$$\Phi = \sum_m \frac{\Omega_m(kh)}{mk} \cosh(m\varphi) \sin(m\phi); \quad \zeta = \sum_m \tilde{\Omega}_m(kh) \cos(m\phi).$$

- Energy computation [[Dean and Dalrymple, 1984](#)]:

$$\mathcal{E}(x) = \frac{1}{2g\lambda} \int_x^{x+\lambda} \left[g(\zeta + h)^2 + \int_{-h(x)}^{\zeta} (u_x^2 + u_z^2) dz \right] dx - \frac{1}{2} h^2.$$

- Airy's solution has ($m = 1$):

$$\mathcal{E}_{(1)} = \frac{1}{4} \left[a^2 + \left(\frac{agk}{\omega \cosh kh} \right)^2 \cdot \frac{\sinh(2kh)}{2gk} \right] = \frac{a^2}{2} \quad .$$

- Stokes' second-order solution ($m = 2$):

$$\mathcal{E}_{(2)} = \frac{a^2}{4} \left\{ 2 + \left(\frac{\pi\varepsilon}{4} \right)^2 \chi_1 + \left(\frac{\pi\varepsilon}{4} \right)^2 \tilde{\chi}_1 \right\} .$$

- Second-order non-homogeneous correction:

$$\Gamma = \frac{1 + \frac{\pi^2 \varepsilon^2 \mathfrak{G}^2 \tilde{\chi}_1}{16}}{1 + \frac{\pi^2 \varepsilon^2 \mathfrak{G}^2 (\tilde{\chi}_1 + \chi_1)}{32}} , \quad \tilde{\chi}_1 = \left(\frac{3 - \tanh^2(kh)}{\tanh^3(kh)} \right)^2 , \quad \chi_1 = \frac{9 \cosh(2kh)}{\sinh^6(kh)}$$

Deriving probability distributions - Correction

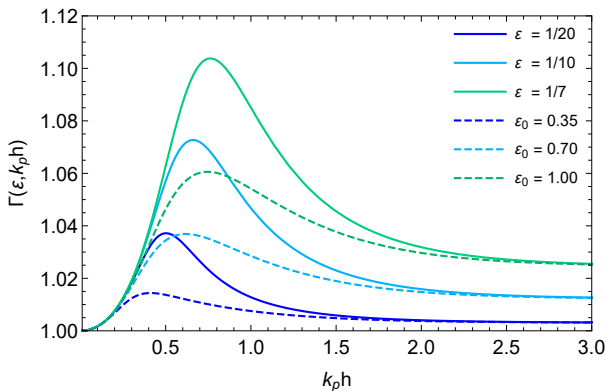
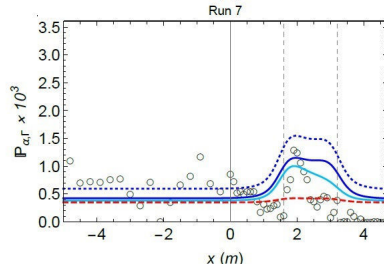
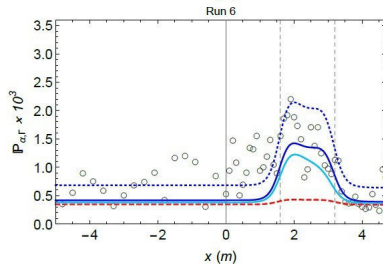
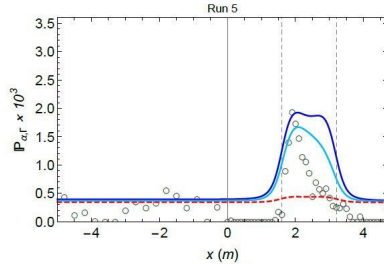
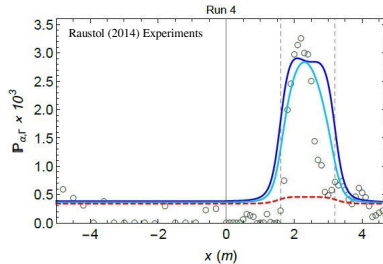


Figure: Γ correction for steep slopes $|\nabla h| \geq 1/20$ with the same initial steepness in deep water with (dashed) or without wave breaking (solid). Here we set $\varepsilon \leq (\varepsilon_0/7) \tanh kh$ with $0 \leq \varepsilon_0 \leq 1$ for the breaking condition.

Probability distributions (*Mendes et al. 2022, J. Fluid Mech., 939:A25*)



3. Summary

- ❑ 3.0 Connection between the PDE solution and Probability
- ❑ 3.1 Challenging homogeneity assumption changes statistics
- ❑ 3.2 Airy-Stokes transition universality
- ❑ 3.3 Slope constraint $1/20 \leq \partial h(x)/\partial x \ll 1$
- ❑ 3.4 Model depends on steepness ε and depth $k_p h$
- ❑ 3.6 Vertical asymmetry amplifies this effect ($\mathfrak{S}_0 > 1$)
- ❑ 3.7 Model fits well most experiments
- ❑ 3.8 Absence of free parameters
- ❑ 3.9 Amplification mostly at $0.5 \leq k_p h \leq 1.3$

Thank you!

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