

Non-reflecting cylindrical wave propagation in the ocean of changing depth

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Influence of bathymetry: nonreflecting geometries



Other bottom geometries



Cylindrical wave propagation



Wave propagation above blue hole

Initial conditions in the centre of the basin:

$$\eta(\rho, 0) = A_0 sech^2(\sigma\tau(\rho)), \qquad u(\rho, 0) = 0$$



Evolution of the solitary pulse along the non-reflective bottom geometry

Evolution of the flow velocity along the non-reflective bottom geometry

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Reduction to the Klein-Gordon equation

$$\eta = A(\rho)G[t, \tau(\rho)] \qquad A(\rho), G[t, \tau(\rho)], \tau(\rho) \text{ are three unknown functions}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \eta}{\partial t^2} - \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \left[\rho c^2(\rho) \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial \rho} \right] = 0 \qquad \text{Initial linearized shallow water eqs. can also be reduced to the Klein-Gordon eq.}$$

$$A \left[\frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial t^2} - c^2 \left(\frac{d\tau}{d\rho} \right)^2 \frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial \tau^2} \right] - \left[\frac{c^2}{\rho} \frac{d\tau}{d\rho} \frac{d(A\rho)}{d\rho} + \frac{d}{d\rho} \left(c^2 A \frac{d\tau}{d\rho} \right) \right] \frac{\partial G}{\partial \tau} - \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{d}{d\rho} \left[\rho c^2 \frac{dA}{d\rho} \right] G = 0 \qquad \text{Initial linearized shallow water eqs. can also be reduced to the Klein-Gordon eq.}$$

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$$c^{2} \left(\frac{d\tau}{d\rho}\right)^{2} = 1$$
$$\frac{c^{2}}{\rho} \frac{d\tau}{d\rho} \frac{d(A\rho)}{d\rho} + \frac{d}{d\rho} \left(c^{2}A \frac{d\tau}{d\rho}\right) = 0$$
$$\frac{d}{d\rho} \left[\rho c^{2} \frac{dA}{d\rho}\right] = 0$$

$$A = \frac{-1}{\left(\frac{3D}{2}\rho^2 + 3E\right)^{1/3}}$$
$$c^2 = gh(\rho) = \frac{B}{D\rho^2} \left(\frac{3D}{2}\rho^2 + 3E\right)^{\frac{4}{3}}$$
$$\tau = \frac{1}{\sqrt{DB}} \left(\frac{3D}{2}\rho^2 + 3E\right)^{1/3}$$

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Travelling wave solutions with variable amplitude



Bottom geometry $h(\rho)$ resembles an underwater volcano:



Wave propagation above underwater volcano

$$\eta = \frac{A(\rho)}{2} \operatorname{sech}^2\left(\sigma(t - \tau(\rho))\right) - \frac{A(\rho)}{2} \operatorname{sech}^2\left(\sigma(t + \tau(\rho))\right)$$

$$u = -\frac{g}{2\sigma}\frac{dA}{d\rho}\Big[tanh\left(\sigma\big(t-\tau(\rho)\big)\right) - tanh\left(\sigma\big(t+\tau(\rho)\big)\right) \Big] + \frac{gA}{2}\frac{d\tau}{d\rho}\Big[sech^2\left(\sigma\big(t-\tau(\rho)\big)\right) + sech^2\left(\sigma\big(t+\tau(\rho)\big)\right) \Big]$$



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Other non-reflected bottom geometries



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Conclusion

- Several new non-reflective bottom geometries allowing for cylindrical wave propagation are found
- Geometries represent a blue hole and an underwater volcano
- The results can be used for model benchmarking

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