

# **The Dynamics of Shallow Fluid Flows: Modeling and Numerical Analysis**

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**Part II of III:  
Chapter 3 and Exercises**

### **Yesterday: Part I**

1. Inviscid Shallow Water Equations
2. High-Order Well-Balancing for Moving Equilibria

### **Today: Part II**

3. Multi-Layer Systems
- \* Exercises start

### **Tomorrow: Part III**

4. Conservative and Non-Conservative Aspects
5. Extended Shallow Water Models
- \* Exercises continue



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# **Chapter 3**

## Multi-Layer Systems

**Starting point:**

- incompressible Euler equations
- hydrostatic pressure

$$\partial_t \rho + \partial_x(\rho u) + \partial_z(\rho w) = 0$$

$$\partial_t(\rho u) + \partial_x(\rho u^2) + \partial_z(\rho uw) = - \frac{1}{F^2} \left( \rho(\eta) \partial_x \eta + \int_z^\eta \partial_x \rho d\zeta \right)$$

**incompressibility**

$$\partial_x u + \partial_z w = 0$$

**Modeling Assumption:**

- $(K + 1)$  interfaces  $\eta_k$  moving with the flow

$$\eta_0(x, t) = b(x)$$

$$\eta_K(x, t) = \eta(x, t)$$

$$w = \partial_t \eta_k + u \partial_x \eta_k \quad \text{for } z = \eta_k$$

- horizontal layers  $\Omega_k$  with constant density  $\rho_k$

$$\Omega_k := \{(x, z, t) \mid \eta_{k-1}(x, t) < z < \eta_k(x, t)\}, \quad k = 1 \dots K$$

$$\rho(x, z, t) \equiv \rho_k > \rho_{k+1} \quad \text{in} \quad \Omega_k$$

**Definition:**  $f(x, z, t)$  integrable,  $h_k := \eta_k - \eta_{k-1}$

$$\bar{f}_k(x, t) := \int_{\eta_{k-1}}^{\eta_k} f(x, z, t) dz \quad \text{depth - integral}$$

**Transport Theorem:** Let  $f(x, z, t)$  be differentiable and satisfy  
kinematic boundary conditions at  $z = \eta_{k-1}$  and  $z = \eta_k$ . Then

$$\int_{\eta_{k-1}}^{\eta_k} (\partial_t f + \partial_x(uf) + \partial_z(wf)) dz = \partial_t \bar{f}_k + \partial_x \overline{(uf)}_k$$

**Proof:**

$$\partial_t \bar{f}_k = (f \partial_t \eta)|_{\eta_{k-1}}^{\eta_k} + \int_{\eta_{k-1}}^{\eta_k} \partial_t f \, dz$$

$$\partial_x \bar{u} \bar{f} = ((u f) \partial_x \eta)|_{\eta_{k-1}}^{\eta_k} + \int_{\eta_{k-1}}^{\eta_k} \partial_x (u f) \, dz$$

implies

$$\begin{aligned} & \partial_t \bar{f}_k + \partial_x (\bar{u} \bar{f})_k \\ &= \int_{\eta_{k-1}}^{\eta_k} (\partial_t f + \partial_x (u f)) \, dz + (f(\partial_t \eta + u \partial_x \eta))|_{\eta_{k-1}}^{\eta_k} \\ &= \int_{\eta_{k-1}}^{\eta_k} (\partial_t f + \partial_x (u f)) \, dz + (f w)|_{\eta_{k-1}}^{\eta_k} \\ &= \int_{\eta_{k-1}}^{\eta_k} (\partial_t f + \partial_x (u f) + \partial_z (w f)) \, dz \end{aligned}$$

q.e.d.

**Corollary:**

$$\partial_t f + \partial_x(uf) + \partial_z(wf) = S$$

implies

$$\partial_t \bar{f}_k + \partial_x \overline{(uf)}_k = \bar{S}_k.$$

**Example:**  $f = \rho$ , so  $S = 0$ ,

$$\partial_t \bar{\rho}_k + \partial_x \bar{q}_k = 0 \quad \text{variable density continuity equation}$$

where  $q := \rho u$ . Other forms, using  $\rho \equiv \rho_k$ :

$$\partial_t \bar{1}_k + \partial_x \bar{u}_k = 0$$

$$\partial_t h_k + \partial_x (h_k u_k) = 0$$

where

$$h_k := \bar{1}_k = \int_{\eta_{k-1}}^{\eta_k} 1 \, dz$$

is the height of the layer.

**Example:**  $f = q$  (discharge), so

$$S = - \frac{1}{F^2} \partial_x p$$

and

$$\partial_t \bar{q}_k + \partial_x \overline{(uq)}_k = - \frac{1}{F^2} \overline{(\partial_x p)}_k$$

variable density momentum equation

**Assumption:** piecewise-constant vertical velocity-profile,

$$u(x, z, t) \equiv u_k(x, t) \quad \text{for } (x, z, t) \in \Omega_k$$

Note:

$$\overline{(uq)}_k = \bar{q}_k^2 / \bar{\rho}_k = \rho_k h_k u_k^2.$$

## Preliminary summary:

### Integrated mass and momentum:

for each layer  $\Omega_k$ ,  $k = 1 \dots K$

$$\partial_t \bar{\rho}_k + \partial_x \bar{q}_k = 0$$

$$\partial_t \bar{q}_k + \partial_x \left( \frac{\bar{q}_k^2}{\bar{\rho}_k} \right) = - \frac{1}{F^2} \overline{(\partial_x p)_k}$$

### Kinematic boundary condition:

for each interface  $\eta_k$ ,  $k = 0 \dots K$

$$w = \partial_t \eta_k + u \partial_x \eta_k$$

## hydrostatic assumption

$$p(x, z, t) = p_a + \int_z^{\eta(x,t)} \rho(x, \zeta, t) d\zeta$$

**interface pressure:** for  $k = 0 \dots K$

$$p_k(x, t) := p(x, \eta_k(x, t), t) = p_a + \sum_{l=k+1}^K \bar{\rho}_l(x, t)$$

**pressure within layer:** in  $\Omega_k (\eta_{k-1} < z < \eta_k)$ ,

$$p(x, z, t) = p_k(x, t) + \rho_k(\eta_k(x, t) - z)$$

**pressure gradient within layer:**

$$\partial_x p(x, z, t) = \partial_x p_k(x, t) + \rho_k \partial_x \eta_k(x, t)$$

**layer-average of pressure gradient:**

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{(\partial_x p)_k} &= h_k \partial_x p_k + \bar{\rho}_k \partial_x \eta_k \\ &= h_k \partial_x p_k + \bar{\rho}_k \partial_x (\eta_{k-1} + h_k) \\ &= \underbrace{h_k \partial_x p_k}_{\text{surface pressure}} + \underbrace{\partial_x \left( \frac{1}{2} \rho_k h_k^2 \right)}_{\text{fluid pressure}} + \underbrace{\bar{\rho}_k \partial_x \eta_{k-1}}_{\text{bottom slope}} \end{aligned}$$

Single layer:

$$\overline{(\partial_x p)} = h \partial_x p_a + \partial_x \left( \frac{1}{2} \rho h^2 \right) + \bar{\rho} \partial_x b$$

**Summary: Integrated mass and momentum:**

$$\partial_t \bar{\rho}_k + \partial_x \bar{q}_k = 0$$

$$\partial_t \bar{q}_k + \partial_x \left( u_k \bar{q}_k + \frac{1}{2F^2} h_k \bar{\rho}_k \right) = - \frac{1}{F^2} (h_k \partial_x p_k + \bar{\rho}_k \partial_x \eta_{k-1})$$

where

$$p_k = p_a + \sum_{l=k+1}^K \bar{\rho}_l$$

$$\eta_{k-1} = b + \sum_{l=1}^{k-1} h_l$$

**Example: 2-layer equations:**  $\eta = \eta_2 > \eta_1 > \eta_0 = b$

$$\partial_t \bar{\rho}_k + \partial_x \bar{q}_k = 0 \quad k = 1, 2$$

$$\partial_t \bar{q}_2 + \partial_x \left( u_2 \bar{q}_2 + \frac{1}{2F^2} h_2 \bar{\rho}_2 \right) = -\frac{1}{F^2} (h_2 \partial_x p_a + \bar{\rho}_2 \partial_x (b + h_1))$$

$$\partial_t \bar{q}_1 + \partial_x \left( u_1 \bar{q}_1 + \frac{1}{2F^2} h_1 \bar{\rho}_1 \right) = -\frac{1}{F^2} (h_1 \partial_x (p_a + \bar{\rho}_2) + \bar{\rho}_1 \partial_x b)$$

Assume from now on that  $\partial_x p_a = 0$

### Properties:

- hyperbolic-elliptic 4x4 system
  - hyperbolic for small shears
  - elliptic for large shears
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- non-conservative
  - Chapter 4
- interfaces treated automatically by conservative continuity equation

Limit of

- almost constant water level
- almost equal densities
- vanishing velocity difference

J. B. Schijf and J. C. Schonfeld (1953)

External and internal eigenvalues in dimensional variables:

$$\lambda_{ext}^{\pm} \approx \frac{u_1 h_1 + u_2 h_2}{h_1 + h_2} \pm (g(h_1 + h_2))^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (1)$$

$$\lambda_{int}^{\pm} \approx \frac{u_1 h_2 + u_2 h_1}{h_1 + h_2} \pm \left[ g' \frac{h_1 h_2}{h_1 + h_2} \left( 1 - \frac{(u_1 - u_2)^2}{g'(h_1 + h_2)} \right) \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad (2)$$

where

$$g' := (1 - r)g = \frac{\rho_1 - \rho_2}{\rho_1} g =: \varepsilon g$$

Remainder of this chapter

- derivation of approximate eigenvalues
- numerical examples

**Exercise 1:**

Rewrite the 2-layer equations as

$$\partial_t U + A \partial_x U = S$$

with

$$U := \begin{pmatrix} h_1 \\ u_1 \\ h_2 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad A := U := \begin{pmatrix} u_1 & h_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/F^2 & u_1 & \rho_2/(\rho_1 F^2) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & u_2 & h_2 \\ 1/F^2 & 0 & 1/F^2 & u_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

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**Exercise 2:**

Compute the characteristic polynomial

$$\begin{aligned} p(\lambda) = & (1 - \varepsilon)\alpha_1\alpha_2 K^2 \\ & + ((\lambda - u_1)^2 - \alpha_1 K) ((\lambda - u_2)^2 - \alpha_2 K) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\alpha_k := h_k / H$$

$$H := h_1 + h_2$$

$$K := H / F^2$$

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**Notation:**

$$\bar{u} := (u_1 + u_2)/2$$

$$\tilde{u} := \alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2$$

$$\hat{u} := \alpha_2 u_1 + \alpha_1 u_2$$

$$v := u_2 - u_1$$

$$\varepsilon := (\rho_1 - \rho_2)/\rho_1$$

In the following exercises, always keep track of the orders

$$\mathcal{O}(v^m + \varepsilon^n)$$

which you neglected.

I did not do this on these slides, and the identities sometimes only hold approximately.

**Exercise 3:**

(i) Let  $\kappa := \lambda - \tilde{u}$ . Rewrite the characteristic polynomial als

$$q(\kappa) := p(\lambda(\kappa))$$

and expand it in orders of  $v$  and  $\varepsilon$ .

Verify that

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**Exercise 4:**

Compute the approximate eigenvalues

$$\lambda_{ext}^{\pm} = \tilde{u} \pm K^{1/2}$$

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### Note:

2-layer system is hyperbolic  $\iff p(\lambda_0) > 0$

where  $\lambda_0$  is the local maximum,

$$p'(\lambda_0) = 0$$

$$p''(\lambda_0) < 0$$

Draw a picture of  $p$ .

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**Exercise 5:**

Verify that

$$\begin{aligned} p'(\lambda) &= \lambda(\lambda - \bar{u})(\lambda - 2\bar{u}) \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2} [(\lambda - \hat{u})(K - 2u_1u_2) + vu_1u_2(\alpha_2 - \alpha_1)] \end{aligned}$$

Therefore we are looking for the intersection of a cubic and a linear function.

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**Exercise 6:**

Do one Newton step starting from  $\lambda = \bar{u}$  and ending at  $\tilde{\lambda}_0$ ,

$$\tilde{\lambda}_0 = \bar{u} - p'(\bar{u})/p''(\bar{u}).$$

Verify that

$$\tilde{\lambda}_0 = \bar{u} + \frac{\alpha_2 - \alpha_1}{4K} v^3$$

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**Exercise 7:**

Verify that

$$p(\tilde{\lambda}_0) = \left( v^2 \alpha_1 \alpha_2 - \frac{K}{2} \right) - \frac{K^2}{4} (1 - 4\varepsilon \alpha_1 \alpha_2)$$

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**Exercise 8:**

Verify that  $p(\tilde{\lambda}_0) > 0$  if

$$v^2 \leq \varepsilon K \quad (3)$$

so the system is hyperbolic. Verify that this coincides with the condition of Schijf and Schonfeld.

**Exercise 9:**

Find the internal eigenvalues as roots of the quadratic Taylor expansion of  $p(\lambda)$  near  $\tilde{\lambda}_0$ .

Verify that

$$\lambda_{int}^{\pm} = \hat{u} \pm \left( \alpha_1 \alpha_2 (\varepsilon K - v^2) \right)^{1/2}$$

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### **Exercise 10:**

Redo all this in your own, perhaps more straightforward way

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## Numerical experiments for bi-layer equations

- Strait of Gibraltar
- symmetric cross-section
- well-balanced scheme

**Castro, García-Rodríguez, González-Vida, Macías, Parés,  
Vázquez-Cendón, JCP 2004**

- p.25, Fig. 11: Geometry
- p.26, Fig. 13: Solution and eigenvalues

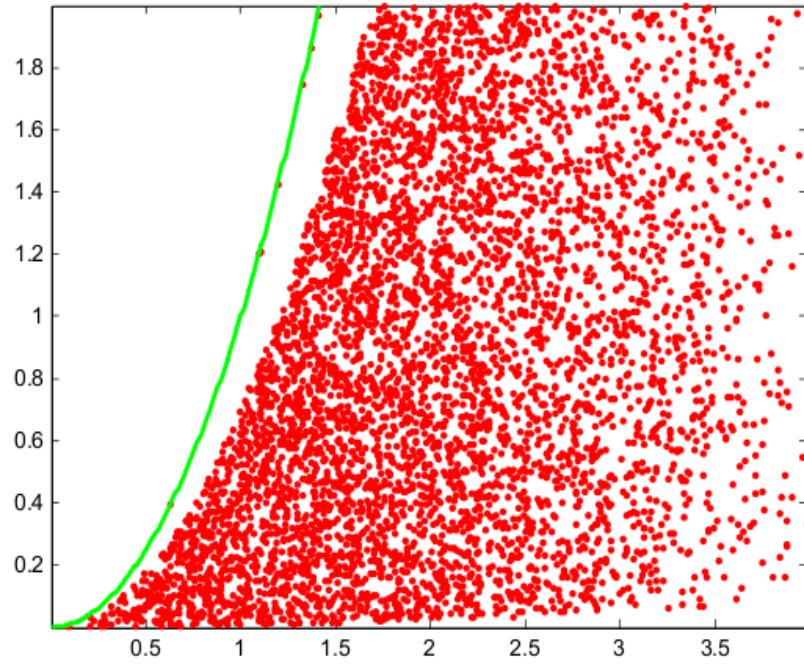
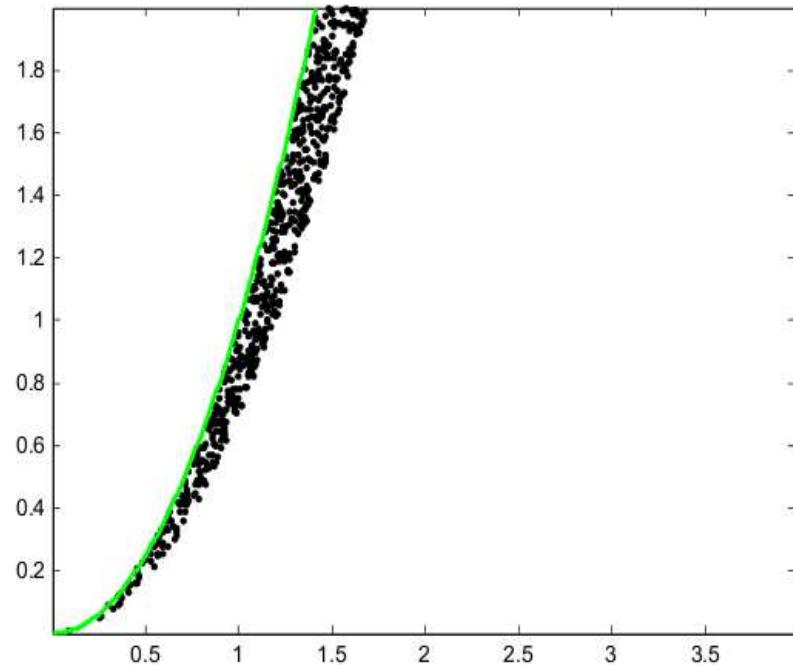
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## Numerical experiments showing hyperbolic regions

- Monte-Carlo sampling
- hyperbolic regions
- 3-layer hyperbolic regions

Computation by **Manuel Castro**



Introducing a third layer for non-hyperbolic two-layer states

Left: hyperbolic region      Right: **non-hyperbolic** region

