The first result of the morphological coupling of the breaking wave model

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Motivation

Coastal erosion is a worldwide issue



Beach at Biscarrosse, Southwestern France

Understand sediment transport mechanism and the wave dynamic



Adapted from: Taiwan: Saving the disappearing coastline



Near-shore wave dynamic



beaches: Limitations of depth-averaged wave resolving models around sandbars."

- In shoaling zone, asymmetric wave
- In breaking zone, turbulence is generated and large amounts of energy are released

Entrain sediment into the fluid

 Undertow transports sediment in the off-shore direction

modeling breaking wave becomes a priority before studying sediment transport



Outline

- 1. Breaking wave model
 - Model derivation and analysis
 - Numerical validation
- 2. Morphodynamic coupling
 - Numerical scheme
 - LIP experiment



Depth-averaged model

Navier-Stokes equation ✓ Full resolution of the interior of fluid Computational costly

 Integrating over the depth Asymptotic analysis

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \operatorname{div}(hU) = 0 \qquad \text{Mass eq.}$$
$$\frac{\partial hU}{\partial t} + \operatorname{div}\left(hU \otimes U + \frac{gh^2}{2}\mathbf{I} + p_N\right) = 0 \qquad \text{Momentum e}$$



$\delta = (H/L)^2$	(Shallowness/dispersion)
$\varepsilon = a/H$	(Nonlinearity)

		$\dot{h} = \frac{Dh}{Dt} = \frac{\partial h}{\partial t}$	$+ U \frac{\partial h}{\partial x}, \ddot{h} = -\frac{1}{2}$
	model	NSWE $O(\delta)$	SGN O (
eq.	Pressure	$p_N = 0$	$p_N = h^2 \ddot{h}/3$
	Туре	Hyperbolic	Dispersiv



Breaking wave : Energy dissipation

Classic models do not take breaking into account.

Their derivation within a conservative framework

Classic methods are:

- Extra terms in the mass and/or the momentum equation to provide a necessary dissipation.
- Switching or hybrid methods (natural dissipation through) the shock)

no natural energy dissipation mechanisms due to wave breaking

Recent approach is to use the enstrophy (Teshukov, 2007) Richard & Gavrilyuk, **2015**; Gavrilyuk, Chesnokov & Liapidevskii, 2016



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Model assumptions

Same assumption of the breaking wave model developed by Kazakova & Richard, **2019**

Mean velocity (uniform over the depth)

Able to describe turbulence

Contribute to energy dissipation due to wave breaking (with turbulent viscosity hypothesis) The assumption of both NSW and SGN model

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Breaking waves model Model derivation Dimensionless NS equations

Depth-average
Impermeable and no-slip BC
Keep the terms up to O (δ²)

Enstrophy φ for evaluate vorticity magnitude

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$$\left(\int eqs dz\right)$$

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Breaking waves model Final dimensional equations under mild slope condition

 $\frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial hU}{\partial x} = 0$ $rac{\partial hU}{\partial t} + rac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(hU^2 + rac{gh^2}{2} + h^3 arphi
ight)$ $\frac{\partial hW}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial hUW}{\partial x} = \frac{3}{2}P + 3\nu_T \frac{\partial}{\partial t}$ $\frac{\partial hP}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial hUP}{\partial x} = -a_c^2 \left(h \frac{\partial U}{\partial x} + \right)$ $\frac{\partial h\varphi}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial hU\varphi}{\partial x} = -\frac{2}{h} \left\langle P^r \right\rangle + \frac{4i}{h}$

- The conservative part of the model is hyperbolic if h > 0

$$\left(p + hP
ight) = rac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(2\nu_T h rac{\partial U}{\partial x}
ight) - gh rac{\partial b}{\partial x}$$

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ight)^2 - rac{8\nu_T W}{h^2} rac{\partial U}{\partial x}$

• Asymptotic dispersive properties to the SGN equation when $a_c \rightarrow \infty$

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Numerical validation Experiment of Hsiao, 2008

Solitary waves with different water depths h_0 and non-linearities $\varepsilon = a/h_0$ propagate onto a slope with $\tan \beta = 1/60$

Numerical validation Experiment of Hsiao, 2008; Gauge point comparison of Trial 25 & 41

Trial 25 $h_0 = 2.2 \text{ m}$ $\varepsilon = 0.054$ Breaking position: Real:167 m Numerical:166.7 m

Trial 41 $h_0 = 2.2 \text{ m}$ $\varepsilon = 0.137$

Breaking position: Real:148 m Numerical:148.5 m

Time Series

Numerical validation Experiment of Beji & Battjes, 1993

Regular and irregular wave trains with water or propagate onto a submerged bar.

Regular and irregular wave trains with water depth $h_0 = 0.4$ m enter the domain from the left and

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Numerical validation Experiment of Beji & Battjes, 1993; Gauge point comparison

Amplitude

Time Series

True breaking position lies between gauge 3 and 4

Dispersive property can be improved for the regime with strong dispersive effect (Bonneton, 2011)

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Marchesiello et. al., 2022; Shafiei et. al., 2023 use CROCO to run the LIP experiments
 Does examine a long term simulation but being a 3D wave-resolving model

Mancini et. al., 2020 couple XBeach with sediment transport equations
 Depth-averaged model but doesn't examine a long term simulation

European Large Installation Plan (LIP) experiments was carried out in Delft Hydraulics's Delta Flume.

LIP experiment condition: 13h~18h

LIP Experiments

LIP-1B (More energetic)

- More energetic wave trains
- Effect of the suspended load dominant
- Create undertow
- Move sand-bar away from the shore

LIP-1C (Less energetic)

- Less energetic wave trains
- Effect of the bed load dominant
- Move sand-bar toward the shore

Goal: Does depth-averaged model capable to describe the undertow effect?

Morphodynamic equations

Equation for suspended-load (Concentration)

$$\frac{\partial hC}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial hUC}{\partial x} = E - D$$

Equation for bed evolution (Exner-type)

$$\frac{\partial b}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial q_b}{\partial x} = D - E$$

- Simple
- Applicable in large scale sediment transport But
- Highly Empirical

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E: sediment erosion rate D: sediment deposition rate

Suspective b = b(t, x)bed-load q_b

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Numerical scheme & challenges Same scheme for hydrodynamic equations: IMEX ARS2(2,2,2)

Hydrodynamic equation + equation of C

The non-oscillatory central (NOC) differencing schemes (V. Marieu, 2007; T. Nagel, 2014)

Bed evolution equation

Numerical challenges:

1. The generation of irregular wave trains

2.Wet-dry interface

Numerical scheme & challenges

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Different time scale

Morphodynamic evolution is much slower than the hydrodynamic processes

Only update the bed evolution equation after multiple hydrodynamic time steps

 Δt_{hydro} Hydrodynamic equation + equation of C

When $\sum \Delta t_{hydro} \ge \Delta t_{morpho} = k \Delta t_{hydro}$

Bed evolution equation

an the Assign two different time steps

In the case of wave train: Latteux, 1995

$$\frac{\partial b}{\partial t} + f_m \frac{\partial q_b}{\partial x} = f_m (D - E)$$

• Simulate f_m successive tides with 1 tide

Solitary wave run-up (Zhu & Dodd, 2015)

Model: NSW equation + equation of C + Exner equation

Time series comparison of C at x = 0 m and x = 5 m with Mancini, 2020

Bed profile comparison

Final bed profile with different choice of k

 Update bed less frequently gives a less diffusive result • Choice of k should ensure the stability condition of the Exner equation

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Link with wave breaking

The sediment erosion rate

$$E = \begin{cases} E_0(1 - n_p) \left(\frac{|\tau_b| - \tau_{b,cr}}{\tau_{b,cr}} \right) \\ 0, \end{cases}$$

The friction law takes into account the effect of wave-breaking For TKE model:

$$\tau_b = C |u_b| \sqrt{u_b^2 + \phi^2(x_b)\alpha_{br}^2 k_b}$$

 $\phi(x)$: Gaussian function centered around breaking point k_h : Turbulent kinetic energy

Elsayed, S. M., et al. (2022)

$$if |\tau_b| > \tau_{b,cr}$$

otherwise

In my model:

$$\tau_b = C |U| \sqrt{U^2 + \alpha_{br}^2 \varphi}$$

 φ : enstrophy

Undertow effect

 H_{rms} : root-mean-square of the wave height \overline{U} : Time-averaged horizontal velocity

 $\overline{\eta}$: Time-averaged amplitude

Negative \overline{U} : compensated by undertow effect

Open question & Perspective

Is there a better numerical scheme for bed evolution equation that can bypass the use of k?

Perspectives

- & Duran, **2024** for hydrodynamic model
- Bed evolution in the LIP experiment to validate the model's capability in capturing sandbar migration.
- Systematic derivation of the sediment transport equations

Implementation in TOLOSA with new numerical scheme developed by Richard

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