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with \overline{u} the z-independent horizontal velocity and h the depth of the water column. Here, $\epsilon = A/h$ is the nonlinearity coefficient, and A the typical wave height.

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Then, define $\sigma_t dW_t = \sum_i \sigma_t e_i d\beta_t^i$, and $a(x, t) = \int_S \hat{\sigma}(x, y, t) \hat{\sigma}(y, x, t) dy$, where (e_i) is a basis of $L^2(S, \mathbb{R}^3)$ and β_t^i Brownian motions.



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Numerical simulations - One realisation



Figure: Deterministic (left) and LU-stochastic (right) Saint-Venant models

Code adapted from the one of Dion Häfner (University of Copenhagen). NB: Possible in $1D \rightarrow$ Vincent Duchêne & Pierre Navarro (Université de Rennes).

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Figure: Difference between the mean of the LU Saint-Venant and the deterministic model (left). Variance of the LU Saint-Venant model (right).

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- non penetrating at the (flat) lower boundary (i.e. $w|_{z=-h} = (\partial_z \Phi)|_{z=-h} = 0$),
- free-surface at the upper boundary.

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Now, assume $u_s = 0$ for simplicity, so that

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