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ANALYTICAL SOLUTIONS FOR THE FREE SURFACE HYDROSTATIC EULER EQUATIONS

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Abstract. In this paper we propose a large set of analytical solutions (FRESH-ASSESS) for the hydrostatic incompressible Euler system in 2d and 3d. These solutions mainly concern free surface flows but partially free surface flows are also considered. These analytical solutions can be especially useful for the validation of numerical schemes.

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1. Introduction

Models arising in fluid dynamics often based on the Navier-Stokes equations are generally difficult to analyze both at the mathematical or numerical level. As a consequence the derivation of efficient numerical schemes and their validations are complex. A way to circumvent this difficulty is to have access to analytical solutions of the considered problem and to confront the simulated solutions with them. Even if this approach is not a complete validation of the numerical schemes, it enables to have a good knowledge of the behavior of the discrete schemes in front of typical and complex situations particularly when the family of analytical solutions is large enough. Moreover it makes possible the study of the convergence order of a simulated solution towards the reference one.

Starting from the incompressible Navier-Stokes equations, much work has been done in the derivation of relatively simple mathematical models for shallow water flows and long non-linear water waves. For these models, analytical solutions are often available. Thus the Saint-Venant system [3] that is well suited for the modeling of river hydraulics has been widely studied by a lot of authors. In a chronological order, the most famous contributions are: analytical solutions for the dam break situation by Ritter [17], the nonlinear wave propagation in Shallow water open channels by Stoker [18], solutions of the Saint-Venant system for a flow respectively over a ridge and in parabolic bowl by Houghton [9] and Thacker [19]. MacDonald *et al.* [14, 15] have proposed a wide family of analytical solutions with bottom friction, hydraulic jumps and various open-channel cross-sections. Likewise for the Korteweg-de Vries equations [10] and related systems – generally corresponding to potential flows [13] – such as the Boussinesq system [5], the Green-Naghdi model [7], various analytical solutions of soliton type are available [11, 12, 4].

Unfortunately, the previously mentioned models correspond to averaged – along a spatial coordinate – or irrotational approximations of the Navier-Stokes equations. In this paper we propose various analytical solutions for the incompressible hydrostatic Euler equations in the following situations: stationary flows, transient flows, free (or partially free) surface, external forcing, simplified viscosity terms. These solutions are

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denoted hereafter by the acronym FRESH-ASSESS corresponding to FREE Surface Hydrodynamics Analytical SolutionS for Euler SystemS. The analytical solutions are available in 2d and 3d for a large class of bottom geometry. Some of these solutions admit entropic shocks that are characterized.

The main concern of the authors is to exhibit reference solutions that can be used for the validation of numerical codes. In the case of a regular flow, the solution is analytic. For non smooth solutions e.g. with shocks, the solution is obtained via the resolution of a simple ODE. If the proposed analytical solutions correspond to physical phenomena, they do not correspond to useful situations for practical use of the models. The analytical solutions are obtained as in MacDonald *et al.* [14, 15], starting from a given water depth and an admissible velocity field, we derive the corresponding topography profile.

The paper is organized as follows. Starting from the incompressible and hydrostatic Euler equations (Sec. 2), we present in Sec. 3 the 2d FRESH-ASSESS solutions in various configurations. The 3d extension of these solutions is given in Sec. 4. In Sec. 5, the various analytical solutions are illustrated in typical situations.

2. The Euler equations

We start from the 3d hydrostatic and incompressible free surface Euler equations [6, 8] with gravity

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} = 0, \quad (2.1)$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} = 0, \quad (2.2)$$

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial p}{\partial y} = 0, \quad (2.3)$$

$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial z} = -g, \quad (2.4)$$

where the z axis represents the vertical direction. We consider this system for

$$t > 0, \quad (x, y) \in \Omega, \quad z_b(x, y) \leq z \leq \eta(x, y, t),$$

where Ω is a bounded domain of $\mathbb{R}^2$, $\eta(x, y, t)$ represents the free surface elevation, $\mathbf{u} = (u, v, w)^T$ the velocity vector. The gravity acceleration is denoted g and p is the fluid pressure. The bottom geometry is z_b so the water depth is $H = \eta - z_b$, see Fig. 2.1. Equation (2.1) represents the incompressibility (mass conservation equation) and Eqs. (2.2), (2.3) are respectively the momentum equilibria of forces along axis x and y . Because of the hydrostatic assumption, the momentum equilibrium of forces along the vertical axis reduces to (2.4).

The system (2.1)-(2.4) is completed with boundary conditions. Classically at the free surface we have the kinematic boundary condition

$$\frac{\partial \eta}{\partial t} + u_s \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} + v_s \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial y} - w_s = 0, \quad (2.5)$$

where the subscript s denotes the value of the considered quantity at the free surface. The dynamical condition at the free surface takes into account the equilibrium with the atmospheric pressure and we have

$$p_s = p^a(x, y, t), \quad (2.6)$$

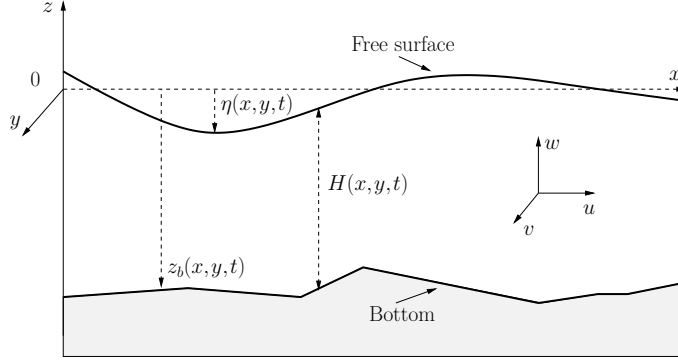


FIG. 2.1. Notations: water height $H(x, y, t)$, free surface $\eta(x, y, t)$ and bottom $z_b(x, y)$.

where $p^a = p^a(x, y, t)$ is a given function corresponding to the atmospheric pressure. At the bottom, the kinematic boundary condition corresponds to a no-penetration condition

$$u_b \frac{\partial z_b}{\partial x} + v_b \frac{\partial z_b}{\partial y} - w_b = 0, \quad (2.7)$$

where the subscript b denotes the value of the considered quantity at the bottom.

The boundary condition (2.6) coupled with (2.4) gives

$$p = p^a + g(\eta - z),$$

so the hydrostatic Euler system (2.1)-(2.4) can be written under the form

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \int_{z_b}^{\eta} u \, dz + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \int_{z_b}^{\eta} v \, dz = 0, \quad (2.8)$$

$$w = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \int_{z_b}^z u \, dz - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \int_{z_b}^z v \, dz, \quad (2.9)$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} + g \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} = -\frac{\partial p^a}{\partial x}, \quad (2.10)$$

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} + g \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial p^a}{\partial y}. \quad (2.11)$$

Equation (2.8) results from an integration of the divergence free condition (2.1) along z from z_b to η coupled with the kinematic relation (2.5). Similarly Eq. (2.9) results from an integration of the divergence free condition from z_b to z where the boundary condition (2.7) is used. Notice that (2.8) and (2.9) are equivalent to (2.1), (2.5) and (2.7).

For smooth solutions, the hydrostatic Euler system (2.1)-(2.7) – or equivalently (2.8)-(2.11) – is completed with an energy equality namely,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{z_b}^{\eta} (E + p^a) \, dz + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \int_{z_b}^{\eta} u (E + g(\eta - z) + gz) \, dz \\ + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \int_{z_b}^{\eta} v (E + g(\eta - z) + gz) \, dz = H \frac{\partial p^a}{\partial t}, \end{aligned} \quad (2.12)$$

with

$$E = \frac{u^2}{2} + \frac{v^2}{2} + gz. \quad (2.13)$$

3. 2d analytical solutions

For the sake of simplicity, we first restrict our presentation to 2d analytical solutions. The considered horizontal domain is $\Omega = [0, L_x]$. The 3d extension of the proposed solutions is given in Sec. 4.

In this section, we first propose stationary solutions for the system (2.1)-(2.4). The regularity of the solutions is examined in paragraphs 3.3 and 3.4. Then we exhibit analytical solutions for the Euler system in the following situations : external forcing, viscosity terms, reactive tracer, transient solutions, a partially free surface.

3.1. Main idea

We first consider the system (2.8)-(2.11) where all the variables are independent of y . Stationary solutions of this system have to fulfill

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \int_{z_b}^{\eta} u \, dz = 0, \quad (3.1)$$

$$w = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \int_{z_b}^z u \, dz, \quad (3.2)$$

$$u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + w \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} + g \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} = -\frac{\partial p^a}{\partial x}. \quad (3.3)$$

Except in paragraphs 3.7.1 and 3.8.1, we assume in this section $p^a = Cst$.

From (3.3), it comes that

$$u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + w \frac{\partial u}{\partial z}, \quad (3.4)$$

has to be independent of z and this is the most difficult requirement to satisfy. The underlying idea for the derivation of the analytical solutions is the following. To satisfy (3.1), we seek for u under the form

$$u = \alpha \frac{\varphi'(z - z_b)}{\varphi(H)}, \quad (3.5)$$

with $\varphi(0) = 0$, $\alpha = Cst$. Then from (3.2), w is given by

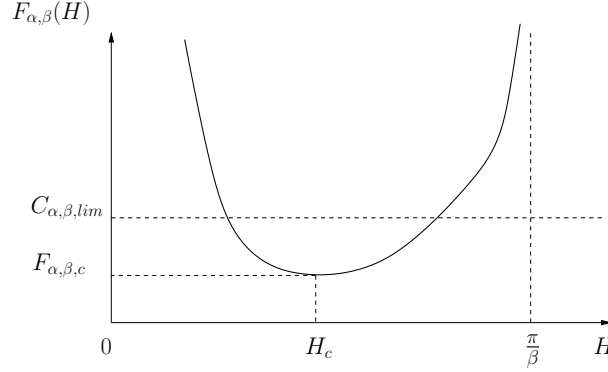
$$w = -\alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\varphi(z - z_b)}{\varphi(H)}, \quad (3.6)$$

and replacing the previous expressions for u and w in (3.3) implies (3.4) is independent of z when

$$(\varphi'(z - z_b))^2 - \varphi(z - z_b) \varphi''(z - z_b) = Cst,$$

that is ensured for

$$\varphi(z) = \sin(z). \quad (3.7)$$

FIG. 3.1. Function $H \mapsto F_{\alpha,\beta}(H)$.

3.2. General continuous stationary solutions

The following proposition gives smooth analytical solutions for the system (3.1)-(3.3).

PROPOSITION 3.1. *If α , β and $\bar{z}_b$ are three real constants and H_0 a non negative real $C^1(\Omega)$ function such that $\sin(\beta H_0(x)) \neq 0$ for all $x \in \Omega$ then $u = u_{\alpha,\beta}$, $w = w_{\alpha,\beta}$ and z_b respectively given by*

$$z_b = \bar{z}_b - H_0 - \frac{\alpha^2 \beta^2}{2g \sin^2(\beta H_0)}, \quad (3.8)$$

$$u_{\alpha,\beta} = \frac{\alpha \beta}{\sin(\beta H_0)} \cos(\beta(z - z_b)), \quad (3.9)$$

$$w_{\alpha,\beta} = \alpha \beta \left(\frac{\partial z_b}{\partial x} \frac{\cos(\beta(z - z_b))}{\sin(\beta H_0)} + \frac{\partial H_0}{\partial x} \frac{\sin(\beta(z - z_b)) \cos(\beta H_0)}{\sin^2(\beta H)} \right), \quad (3.10)$$

satisfy the 2d stationary Euler equations (3.1)-(3.3) with $\eta = H_0 + z_b$.

Proof. Following (3.5),(3.7), we propose to choose u under the form

$$u = u_{\alpha,\beta} = \frac{\alpha \beta}{\sin(\beta H)} \cos(\beta(z - z_b)), \quad (3.11)$$

and from (3.6), w is given by

$$w = w_{\alpha,\beta} = \alpha \beta \left(\frac{\partial z_b}{\partial x} \frac{\cos(\beta(z - z_b))}{\sin(\beta H)} + \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} \frac{\sin(\beta(z - z_b)) \cos(\beta H)}{\sin^2(\beta H)} \right), \quad (3.12)$$

then Eq. (3.3) reduces to

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\alpha^2 \beta^2}{2 \sin^2(\beta H)} + g(H + z_b) \right) = 0, \quad (3.13)$$

and the definition (3.8) for z_b with $H = H_0$ completes the proof. $\square$

The previous proposition is only valid for smooth solutions. The regularity and uniqueness of the solutions and their derivation are discussed in the two following paragraphs.

3.3. Continuity of the solutions

Here we adopt a slightly different strategy considering we have a given topography $z_b(x)$, $x \in \Omega = [0, L_x]$, given values for $\alpha > 0$ and β and a boundary value for H namely, $H_{lim} = H(0)$ or $H_{lim} = H(L_x)$. $H(x)$ will be given by the solution of a simple ODE. We assume u satisfies (3.11), w satisfies (3.12) and it remains to solve (3.13) to obtain H .

We introduce the function

$$F_{\alpha,\beta}(x) : x \mapsto gx + \frac{\alpha^2 \beta^2}{2 \sin^2(\beta x)},$$

and we point out that $F_{\alpha,\beta}$ is not one-to-one (see Fig. 3.1). When considering smooth solutions – and with the notations of Fig. 3.1 – the resolution of (3.13) is equivalent to find for all $x \in \Omega$ a solution to

$$F_{\alpha,\beta}(H(x)) + gz_b(x) = F_{\alpha,\beta}(H_{lim}) + gz_{b,lim}. \quad (3.14)$$

If the bottom profile is enough regular, Eq. (3.13) can be written under the form

$$\left(g - \alpha^3 \beta^2 \frac{\cos(\beta H)}{\sin^3(\beta H)} \right) \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} = -g \frac{\partial z_b}{\partial x},$$

This previous equation remains well defined until the quantity

$$\left(g - \alpha^3 \beta^2 \frac{\cos(\beta H)}{\sin^3(\beta H)} \right), \quad (3.15)$$

vanishes to zero and the critical water depth H_c satisfies

$$\frac{\cos(\beta H_c)}{\sin^3(\beta H_c)} = \frac{g}{\alpha^3 \beta^2}. \quad (3.16)$$

In other words, if (3.14) admits a solution in H_c then it admits a solution for all $x \in \Omega$.

So, we have now to study the function

$$f : x \rightarrow \frac{\cos(\beta x)}{\sin^3(\beta x)}$$

that is defined over $\mathbb{R} - \{n\pi/\beta\}, n \in \mathbb{Z}$, periodic with period π/β . It is a non increasing function over each interval $I_{\beta,n} =]n\pi/\beta, (n+1)\pi/\beta[$. We can then conclude that for each interval $I_{\beta,n}$, there exists only one solution for Eq. (3.16). Moreover, since the roots of f are easily defined as $(n+1/2)\pi/\beta$, we can conclude from the fact that $\frac{g}{\alpha^3 \beta^2}$ is positive that the solution of Eq. (3.16) is in the interval $]n\pi/\beta, (n+1/2)\pi/\beta[$. In the following we will consider $n=0$.

Using the notations of Fig. 3.1, we easily find that H_c solution of Eq. (3.16) satisfies

$$H_c = \frac{\arcsin r_c^2}{\beta}, \quad \text{and} \quad F_{\alpha,\beta,c} = gH_c + \frac{\alpha^2 \beta^2}{2r_c^4}, \quad (3.17)$$

where r_c^2 is the unique real solution of the polynomial equation

$$P(X) = g^2 X^3 + \alpha^4 \beta^6 X - \alpha^4 \beta^6 = 0, \quad (3.18)$$

with

$$r_c = \sqrt{\frac{\sqrt[3]{12\alpha^4\beta^2} - \sqrt[3]{12\alpha^4\beta^2} + \left(\sqrt[3]{9g + \sqrt{12\alpha^4\beta^6 + 81g^2}}\right)^2}{6g \sqrt[3]{9g + \sqrt{12\alpha^4\beta^6 + 81g^2}}}}.$$

Since we have $P(0) \leq 0$ and $P(1) \geq 0$, we remark that $0 \leq r_c \leq 1$.

The previous results allow to write the following proposition

PROPOSITION 3.2. *If for any $x \in \Omega$, the problem*

$$F_{\alpha,\beta}(H(x)) = F_{\alpha,\beta}(H_{lim}) + g(z_{b,lim} - z_b(x)) = C_{\alpha,\beta,lim} - gz_b(x) \geq 0, \quad (3.19)$$

has a solution $H(x) \geq 0$ then $(H, u_{\alpha,\beta}, w_{\alpha,\beta})$ are solutions of (3.1)-(3.3). This result can also be expressed in the following way: if the problem (3.19) admits a solution H_c in $x = x_c$ or equivalently if

$$F_{\alpha,\beta,c} \leq C_{\alpha,\beta,lim},$$

then it admits a solution for all $x \in \Omega$. And it is easy to prove that if $z_b \in C^k(\Omega)$, $k \geq 0$ then $(H, u_{\alpha,\beta}) \in C^k(\Omega)$ and $w_{\alpha,\beta} \in C^{k-1}(\Omega)$.

Let Ω_c be the subset of Ω containing the points x for which the problem (3.19) has no solution. We are now interested in situations where $\Omega_c \neq \emptyset$.

3.4. Discontinuous solutions

Let us consider now discontinuous solutions. We define the operator $[A] = A^+ - A^-$, where the superscripts $+$ and $-$ define the variables right after and before the discontinuity.

Stationary shocks of the system (2.12), (3.1) and (3.3) are characterized by

$$\begin{aligned} \left[\int_{z_b}^{\eta} u \, dz \right] &= 0, \\ \left[\int_{x_0}^x \int_{z_b}^{\eta} \left(u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + w \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} + g \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} \right) dz \right] &= 0, \\ \left[\int_{z_b}^{\eta} \left(\frac{u^3}{2} + g\eta u \right) dz \right] &= \mathcal{D}, \end{aligned}$$

that reduce to

$$\left[\frac{g}{2} H^2 + \frac{\alpha^2 \beta^2 H}{2 \sin(\beta H)^2} + \frac{\alpha^2 \beta \cos(\beta H)}{2 \sin(\beta H)} \right] = 0, \quad (3.20)$$

$$\left[\frac{\alpha^3 \beta^2}{2 \sin^2(\beta H)} + g\alpha(H + z_b) \right] = \mathcal{D}, \quad (3.21)$$

since $u = u_{\alpha,\beta}$ and with $\mathcal{D} \leq 0$.

If $\Omega_c = \Omega$, the parameters α, β and the boundary condition H_{lim} are not compatible so we assume $\Omega_c \neq \Omega$. Without loss of generality we assume $H_{lim} = H(L_x)$ and $\alpha \geq 0$. We also suppose here $z_b \in C^1(\Omega)$ with a unique $x_c \in \overset{\circ}{\Omega} =]0, L_x[$ such that

$$z_{b,c} = \max_{x \in \Omega} z_b(x), \quad (3.22)$$

$$\left. \frac{\partial z_b}{\partial x} \right|_{x=x_c} = 0. \quad (3.23)$$

If $\Omega_c \neq \emptyset$ then the problem (3.19) has no solution at least for $x = x_c \in \Omega_c$ and the solution will be discontinuous. From (3.23), for $x = x_c$ the solution H of

$$\left(g - \frac{\alpha^2 \beta^3 \cos(\beta H)}{\sin(\beta H)^3}\right) \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} = 0,$$

and the condition

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial x} \Big|_{x=x_c} = 0, \quad \text{with} \quad g - \frac{\alpha^2 \beta^3 \cos(\beta H)}{\sin(\beta H)^3} \neq 0,$$

would give that a continuous solution exists over Ω that is contradictory with the assumption $x_c \in \Omega_c$. So $H_c = H(x_c)$ necessarily satisfies (3.16) that is equivalent to (3.18) and is given by (3.17). Over the interval $[0, x_c]$, the solution will be continuous and hence

$$\left[\frac{\alpha^3 \beta^2}{2 \sin^2(\beta H)} + g \alpha (H + z_b) \right]_{x=0}^{x=x_c} = 0.$$

Over the interval $[x_c, L_x]$, we have

$$\left[\frac{\alpha^3 \beta^2}{2 \sin^2(\beta H)} + g \alpha (H + z_b) \right]_{x=L_x}^{x=x_c} = \alpha (F_{\alpha, \beta, c} + g z_{b, c} - F_{\alpha, \beta}(H_{lim}) - g z_{b, lim}),$$

and by construction $F_{\alpha, \beta, c} + g z_{b, c} \leq C_{\alpha, \beta, lim}$ so we have $\mathcal{D} \leq 0$ in (3.21).

If a shock occurs, its abscissa x_s and the associated water depth are characterized by (3.20)-(3.21) that correspond to

$$\left[\frac{g}{2} H^2 + \frac{\alpha^2 \beta^2 H}{2 \sin^2(\beta H)} + \frac{\alpha^2 \beta \cos(\beta H)}{2 \sin(\beta H)} \right]_{H_{s, l}}^{H_{s, r}} = 0, \quad (3.24)$$

$$\frac{\alpha^2 \beta^2}{2 \sin^2(\beta H_c)} + g(H_c + z_{b, c}) = \frac{\alpha^2 \beta^2}{2 \sin^2(\beta H_{s, l})} + g(H_{s, l} + z_{b, s}), \quad (3.25)$$

$$\frac{\alpha^2 \beta^2}{2 \sin^2(\beta H_{lim})} + g(H_{lim} + z_{b, lim}) = \frac{\alpha^2 \beta^2}{2 \sin^2(\beta H_{s, r})} + g(H_{s, r} + z_{b, s}), \quad (3.26)$$

where $z_{b, s}$ is the bottom topography at the abscissa of the shock and $H_{s, l}$, $H_{s, r}$ are the water depth at the left and right of the shock. If the solutions of the system (3.24)-(3.26) are continuous, this means the outflow boundary condition can not be satisfied. In this case, the torrential regime takes place from $x = x_c$ to $x = L_x$.

In practice, the solution $H(x)$ is obtained as follows. Starting from the value H_{lim} at abscissa x_{lim} , we calculate the solution of the algebraic equation (3.14) or equivalently the ODE (3.15). If no singularity appears, the problem is solved. If for one abscissa, Eq. (3.20) can not be solved then x_c has to be determined by (3.22), (3.23). Then (3.24)-(3.26) allow to build the whole solution over Ω .

An illustration of the analytical solutions obtained in the situations with and without shocks is given in paragraphs 5.1 and 5.2.

3.5. Solutions with external forcing

We consider the same hydrostatic Euler system with free surface as previously but we add an external forcing and a viscosity term (in the vertical direction). The

governing equations of the considered system are

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \int_{z_b}^{\eta} u \, dz = 0, \quad (3.27)$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} = 0, \quad (3.28)$$

$$u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + w \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} + g \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} = f_x + \nu \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2}, \quad (3.29)$$

where f_x is a volumetric source term and the atmospheric pressure p^a is supposed to be constant. The following proposition holds

PROPOSITION 3.3. *If we choose $f_x = \beta \nu u$ and $\beta \geq 0$ – that corresponds to an energy supply for the system – then for any bottom profile z_b of the form (3.8), the quantities $u = u_{\alpha, \beta}$, $w = w_{\alpha, \beta}$ given by (3.9) and (3.10) with $H = H_0$ are solutions of (3.27)-(3.29).*

Even if the situations encountered in this paragraph – with an equilibrium between the external forcing and the viscosity – are different from those of the preceding paragraph, the resulting water depth and velocity fields are similar and we do not present any illustration for this situation.

3.6. Coupling with a reactive tracer

We consider in this paragraph the stationary hydrostatic Euler system governed by (3.1)-(3.2) with $p^a = Cst$ and coupled with an advection-reaction type equation of the form

$$u \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} + w \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} = \frac{T_0 - T}{\tau}. \quad (3.30)$$

The equation (3.30) models for example the transport and the reaction of a tracer.

In order to build solutions for the system (3.1)-(3.2) and (3.30) we use the analytical solutions proposed in paragraph 3.2. Thus, since the only remaining constraint for the choice of functions T , T_0 and τ is to satisfy (3.30), there exists a lot of solution for this problem. We present hereafter two distinct choices.

Let $x \mapsto H_0(x)$ be a continuous, non negative function defined on Ω and we choose the bottom topography z_b under the form defined by (3.8).

3.6.1. First choice

Suppose $T_0 = T_0(x)$ and $\tau = \tau(x)$ are defined by

$$\tau = \frac{\sin(\beta H_0(x))^2}{\alpha \beta^2 \cos(b H_0(x) \frac{\partial H_0}{\partial x})}, \quad \text{and} \quad T_0 = \alpha b \frac{\gamma(z - z_b(x))}{\sin(b H_0(x))},$$

with $\gamma = \gamma(x) = \frac{1}{\cotan(x) - \csc(x)}$. Then the velocity fields $u_{\alpha, \beta}$, $w_{\alpha, \beta}$ defined by (3.9) and (3.10) for $H = H_0$ and T defined by

$$T(x, z) = -\gamma(z - z_b(x)) u_{\alpha, \beta}(x, z),$$

are solutions of (3.1)-(3.2) coupled with (3.30).

3.6.2. Second choice

Similarly, the velocity fields $u_{\alpha, \beta}$, $w_{\alpha, \beta}$ defined by (3.9) and (3.10) for $H = H_0$ and T defined by

$$T(x, z) = e^{-(H(x) - (z - z_b(x)))}$$

with $T_0 = 0$ and

$$\frac{1}{\tau} = \alpha\beta \frac{\cos(\beta(z - z_b))}{\sin(\beta H)} \left(1 - \frac{\tan(\beta(z - z_b))}{\tan(\beta H)} \right) \frac{\partial H}{\partial x},$$

are solutions of (3.1)-(3.2) coupled with (3.30).

3.7. Transient analytical solutions

The stationary solutions presented in the preceding paragraphs allow to validate spatial discretization techniques for the considered equations. In order to evaluate the accuracy of time schemes, transient solutions are necessary. In this paragraph we give two examples of time dependent analytical solutions.

3.7.1. First situation

We now consider the hydrostatic Navier-Stokes system defined by

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \int_{z_b}^{\eta} u \, dz = 0, \quad (3.31)$$

$$w = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \int_{z_b}^z u \, dz, \quad (3.32)$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + w \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} + g \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} = -\frac{\partial p^a}{\partial x} + \nu \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2}, \quad (3.33)$$

where $p = p^a$ is the atmospheric pressure at the free surface. We assume the velocity fields u, w can vary w.r.t. time t whereas the water depth $H = H(x)$ only depends on the spatial coordinate x .

As in paragraph 3.2, let $x \mapsto H_0(x)$ be a continuous, non negative function defined on Ω , we choose the bottom topography z_b under the form (3.8) and the external pressure p^a is given by

$$p^a = -\frac{\alpha^2 \beta^2}{2 \sin^2(\beta H_0)} \left(1 - e^{-\nu \beta^2 t} \right).$$

Then the velocity fields

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{u}_{\alpha, \beta} &= \frac{\alpha \beta}{\sin(\beta H_0)} \cos(\beta(z - z_b)) e^{-\nu \beta^2 t}, \\ \tilde{w}_{\alpha, \beta} &= \frac{\alpha \beta e^{-\nu \beta^2 t}}{\sin^2(\beta H_0(x))} \left(\sin(\beta(z - z_b(x))) \cos(\beta H_0(x)) \frac{\partial H_0}{\partial x} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \cos(\beta(z - z_b(x))) \frac{\partial z_b}{\partial x} \sin(\beta H_0(x)) \right) \end{aligned}$$

and the water depth H_0 satisfy the equations (3.31)-(3.33).

This situation is very similar to what has been proposed in paragraph 3.2, the contribution of the horizontal and vertical velocities decreasing exponentially is replaced by the effects of the external pressure p^a . These analytical solutions are not illustrated.

The system (3.31)-(3.33) can admit discontinuous solutions but this would imply a discontinuous atmospheric pressure p^a that has no physical meaning.

3.7.2. Analytical solution with a travelling wave

In this paragraph, we consider that the bottom topography $z_b = z_b(x, t)$ can vary with respect to time and $p^a = Cst$. Let us consider the system

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \int_{z_b}^{\eta} u \, dz = 0, \quad (3.34)$$

$$w = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \int_{z_b}^z u \, dz, \quad (3.35)$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + w \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} + g \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} = f_x, \quad (3.36)$$

with f_x given by

$$f_x = -\frac{\partial z_b}{\partial t} \frac{\partial u}{\partial z}.$$

The energy balance associated with this system is

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{z_b}^{\eta} E \, dz + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \int_{z_b}^{\eta} u (E + g(\eta - z) + gz) \, dz = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial z_b}{\partial t} (u_s^2 - u_b^2),$$

with $E = \frac{u^2}{2} + gz$.

If $H_0(x)$ is a non negative quantity such that the bottom topography is given by (3.8) then $H(x, t) = H_0(x - c_0 t)$, $u_{\alpha, \beta}(x, z, t)$ given by

$$u_{\alpha, \beta}(x, z, t) = c_0 + \frac{\alpha \beta}{\sin(\beta H)} \cos(\beta(z - z_b)),$$

and w obtained from (3.10) are solutions of (3.34)-(3.36).

3.8. Interactions with structures

We are not only interested in situations of free surface flows, so we consider now situations without free surface or where only a part of the water surface is free.

3.8.1. 2d analytical solutions with partially free surface

Such a situation can be obtained when the atmospheric pressure term p^a depends on the flow characteristics H, u, w . This corresponds to the case where the flow interacts with a lid. In such a situation, the closure of the system is ensured with a lid displacement law of the form

$$p^a = K(x) \left| \frac{\sqrt{\eta} - \sqrt{\eta_m}}{\sqrt{\eta_m}} \right|_+, \quad (3.37)$$

with $\eta = H + z_b$, $\eta_m = \eta_m(x)$ a given function and $K(\cdot)$ a real nonnegative function. Such an expression for p^a mimics the interaction between a deformable lid and the free surface. For more informations about the origins and the mechanical justifications of formula (3.37), the reader can refer to [16].

Thus, if the water depth H satisfies the ODE

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\alpha^2 \beta^2}{2 \sin^2(\beta H)} + gH - K(x) \left| \frac{\sqrt{\eta} - \sqrt{\eta_m}}{\sqrt{\eta_m}} \right| \mathbf{1}_{H+z_b \geq \eta_m} \right) = -g \frac{\partial z_b}{\partial x}, \quad (3.38)$$

then H and $u_{\alpha,\beta}, w_{\alpha,\beta}$ given by (3.9) and (3.10) are solutions of the considered problem. In particular, if $H_0(x)$ is any non-negative function then $\bar{H} = \bar{\eta} - z_b$ with z_b given by (3.8) and

$$\bar{\eta} = \frac{K(x)(H_0 + z_b)}{\left(\frac{\alpha^2 \beta^2}{2 \sin^2(\beta H_0)} + g(H_0 + z_b) + K\right)^2},$$

satisfies (3.38).

3.8.2. Analytical solutions in cylindrical coordinates

We now consider the cylindrical representation of the incompressible Euler equations for an axisymmetric flow with the assumption of no tangential velocity. The gravity is also neglected. We denote u_x and u_r the velocities along the x axis and radial coordinate respectively. The continuity equation reads

$$\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial r u_r}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial x} = 0, \quad (3.39)$$

and the momentum equations reduces to

$$u_r \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial r} + u_x \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} = 0, \quad (3.40)$$

$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial r} = 0. \quad (3.41)$$

Suppose the flow takes place in a deformable pipe parallel to the x axis and of radius $R(x)$. The kinematic boundary condition at $r = R(x)$ ensuring the fluid does not leave the pipe is given by

$$\frac{\partial R}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial R}{\partial x} u_x|_{r=R} - u_r|_{r=R} = 0. \quad (3.42)$$

Equation (3.41) gives $p = p(x)$ and as in paragraph 3.8.1, the system (3.39)-(3.42) is closed with a wall displacement law of the form

$$p(x) = K(x)(R(x)^\gamma - R_m(x)^\gamma),$$

where $K(\cdot)$ and $R_m(\cdot)$ are two non negative given functions and γ is a positive constant.

Using (3.39) and (3.42), the mass conservation in the pipe reads

$$\int_0^{R(x)} r u_x dr = Cst, \quad (3.43)$$

and the radial velocity u_r is given by

$$u_r = \frac{1}{r} \int_0^r r u_x dr. \quad (3.44)$$

Let us consider the velocity field u_x given by

$$u_x = \alpha \beta \frac{\cosh(\beta r^2)}{\sinh(\beta R(x)^2)},$$

then all the solutions $R(x)$ of

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\alpha^2 \beta^2}{2 \sinh^2(\beta R(x)^2)} + K(x) (R(x)^\gamma - R_m(x)^\gamma) \right) = 0, \quad (3.45)$$

are solutions of the system (3.39)-(3.44). In particular if $R_0(x)$ is any non-negative function then $\bar{R}(x)$ defined by

$$\bar{R}(x) = \left(\frac{\alpha^2 \beta^2}{2K(x) \sinh^2(\beta R_0(x)^2)} + R_0(x)^\gamma \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}},$$

is solution. It has to be noticed that whatever the choices for the positive functions $K(x)$ and $R_m(x)$, all the solutions of (3.45) are necessarily continuous and no shock can occur.

An illustration of the situations proposed here is given in paragraph 5.3.1.

4. Analytical solutions in 3d

In this paragraph, we propose a 3d extension of the analytical solutions obtained in paragraph 3.2.

From (2.8)-(2.11), stationary solutions of the 3d Euler system with free surface have to fulfill

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \int_{z_b}^{\eta} u \, dz + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \int_{z_b}^{\eta} v \, dz = 0, \quad (4.1)$$

$$u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} + g \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial p^a}{\partial x}, \quad (4.2)$$

$$u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} + g \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial p^a}{\partial y}, \quad (4.3)$$

$$w = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \int_{z_b}^z u \, dz - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \int_{z_b}^z v \, dz, \quad (4.4)$$

where we have considered $p^a = 0$. Let us introduce the velocity fields

$$u_{\alpha_1, \beta} = \frac{\alpha_1 \beta}{\sin(\beta H)} \cos(\beta(z - z_b)), \quad (4.5)$$

$$v_{\alpha_2, \beta} = \frac{\alpha_2 \beta}{\sin(\beta H)} \cos(\beta(z - z_b)), \quad (4.6)$$

then we clearly have

$$\int_{z_b}^{\eta} u_{\alpha_1, \beta} \, dz = \alpha_1, \quad \text{and} \quad \int_{z_b}^{\eta} v_{\alpha_2, \beta} \, dz = \alpha_2.$$

Using (4.4), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} w_{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \beta} = & \frac{\beta}{\sin^2(\beta H)} \left(\sin(\beta(z - z_b)) \cos(\beta H) \left(\alpha_1 \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} + \alpha_2 \frac{\partial H}{\partial y} \right) \right. \\ & \left. + \cos(\beta(z - z_b)) \sin(\beta H) \left(\alpha_1 \frac{\partial z_b}{\partial x} + \alpha_2 \frac{\partial z_b}{\partial y} \right) \right), \end{aligned} \quad (4.7)$$

and the momentum equations along x and y (4.2)-(4.3) reduce to

$$\begin{aligned} g \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} - \alpha_1 \beta^3 \frac{\cos(\beta H)}{\sin^3(\beta H)} \left(\alpha_1 \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} + \alpha_2 \frac{\partial H}{\partial y} \right) &= 0, \\ g \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial y} - \alpha_2 \beta^3 \frac{\cos(\beta H)}{\sin^3(\beta H)} \left(\alpha_1 \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} + \alpha_2 \frac{\partial H}{\partial y} \right) &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

or equivalently

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(gH + \frac{\alpha_1^2 \beta^2}{2 \sin^2(\beta H)} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \beta^2}{2 \sin^2(\beta H)} \right) = -g \frac{\partial z_b}{\partial x}, \quad (4.8)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \beta^2}{2 \sin^2(\beta H)} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(gH + \frac{\alpha_2^2 \beta^2}{2 \sin^2(\beta H)} \right) = -g \frac{\partial z_b}{\partial y}, \quad (4.9)$$

where H is the unknown. Therefore a necessary condition for the system (4.8)-(4.9) to admit a solution, is the water depth H being of the form

$$H(x, y) = H_0(\alpha_1 x + \alpha_2 y), \quad \text{or} \quad H(x, y) = H_0(\alpha_2 x - \alpha_1 y).$$

Only the second choice leads to non trivial solutions and thus for any non negative function $H_0(x)$, the bottom topography given by

$$z_b(x, y) = \bar{z}_b - H_0(\alpha_1 x + \alpha_2 y) - \frac{(\alpha_1^2 + \alpha_2^2) \beta^2}{2g \sin^2(\beta H_0(\alpha_1 x + \alpha_2 y))}, \quad (4.10)$$

and the velocity fields u , v and w respectively given by (4.5), (4.6) and (4.7) are solutions of (4.1)-(4.4). These 3d analytical solutions are illustrated in paragraph 5.4.

5. Illustrative examples

For some of the models investigated above, illustrations of the exhibited analytical solutions are given. In the following except for paragraphs 5.3.2 and 5.4, we always consider the situation of a $L_x = 20$ meter-long basin with constant width and vertical shores. Since the initial and boundary conditions do not depend on the variable y and the bottom geometry satisfies $z_b = z_b(x)$, it is a 2d $(x - z)$ problem.

5.1. Stationary continuous solutions

In this paragraph we present typical analytical solutions for the problem examined in paragraph 3.2. Let us consider the bottom geometry $z_b(x)$ is defined by (3.8) where $H_0(x)$ is given by

$$H_0(x) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\alpha}{10} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{N}{L_x} \left(x - \frac{L_x}{3} \right) \right) - e^{-\frac{N}{L_x^2} (x - \frac{3}{4L_x})^2},$$

with $N = 50$, $\alpha = 3.5$ and $\beta = 1$. The flow is fixed at inflow (left boundary) with $q_{in} = \alpha$ and the water height is prescribed at outflow (right boundary) with $H_{out} = H_0(L_x)$. Following the results of paragraph 3.2, the water depth $H = H_0$ and the velocity fields u, w given by (3.9), (3.10) are solutions of the considered problem. This situation where no shock occurs, is illustrated by Fig. 5.1.

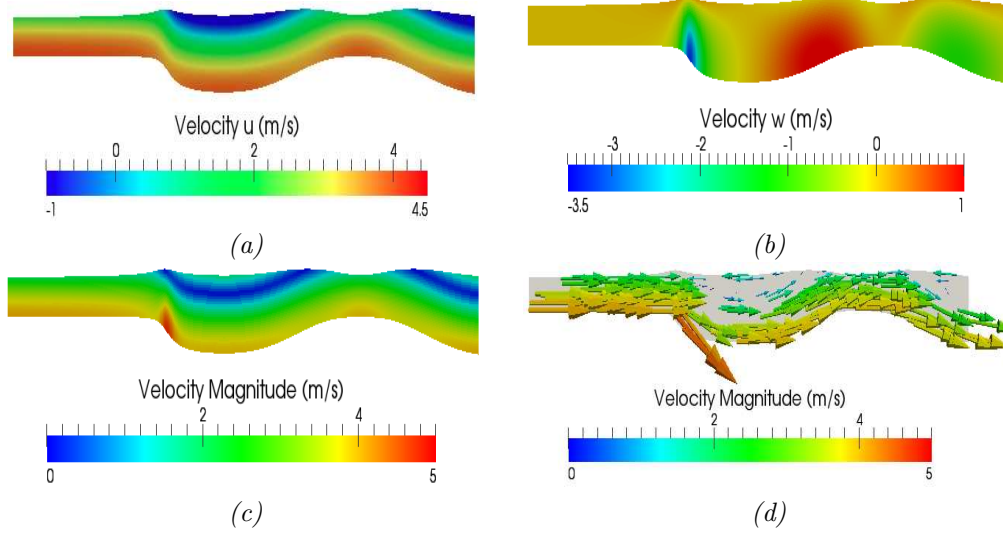


FIG. 5.1. Surface level of the continuous solution and (a) horizontal velocity, (b) vertical velocity, (c) velocity norm, (d) velocity field (arrow).

5.2. Stationary solutions with a shock

Now we consider the situation described in paragraph 3.4. The bottom geometry is given by

$$z_b(x) = 0.2e^{-0.5(x-8)^2} - 0.4e^{-0.5(x-12)^2}. \quad (5.1)$$

With this geometry and $\alpha=0.65$, $\beta=2.5$ and $H(L_x)=0.6$, the solution is discontinuous (cf. (3.19)) and governed by (3.20)-(3.21). The shock is characterized by (3.24)-(3.26) and the vertical velocity w is obtained from (3.10). The obtained solution is depicted in Fig. 5.2.

5.3. Interactions with structures

5.3.1. Analytical solutions with partially free surface

The analytical solutions proposed in paragraph 3.8.1 are illustrated here in Fig. 5.3.

We use the topography given by (5.1). As for Fig. 5.2, we choose $\alpha=0.65$ and $\beta=2.5$. The external pressure p^a is given by (3.37) with $K(x)=100x$ and $\eta_m(x)=\min(1.2, 0.2+0.04(x-14)^2)$.

5.3.2. Analytical solutions in cylindrical coordinates

The figure 5.4 depicts the analytical solution proposed in paragraph 3.8.2. It corresponds to a flow in a deformable cylinder of length $L_x = 10$ m with the parameters $\alpha=2.5$, $\beta=0.35$, $\gamma=1$ and the functions

$$R_0(x) = 1 + 2e^{-(x-\frac{L_x}{3})^2} + e^{-(x-\frac{2L_x}{3})^2}, \quad \text{and} \quad K(x) = 1 - 0.6 \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{20}\left(x - \frac{L_x}{2}\right)^2\right).$$

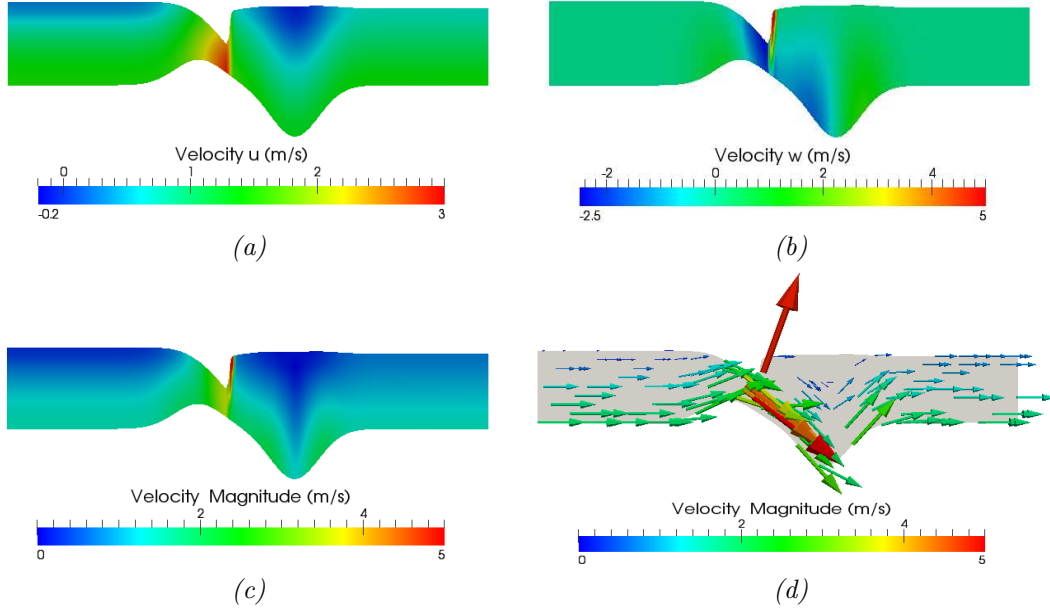


FIG. 5.2. Surface level of the solution with shock and (a) horizontal velocity, (b) vertical velocity and (c) velocity norm, (d) velocity field (arrow).

5.4. Analytical solutions in 3d

In this paragraph we give an example of the 3d analytic solutions obtained in Section 4.

In this 3d situation, the water depth is given by

$$H(x, y) = H_0(\alpha_1 x + \alpha_2 y) = 1 + 0.3 \sin(\beta(\alpha_1 x + \alpha_2 y)), \quad (5.2)$$

with $\alpha_1 = 1, \alpha_2 = 2$ and $\beta = 1$. The bottom geometry is given by (4.10). The bottom profile with 3090 vertices and 5978 triangles is depicted in Fig. 5.5. The corresponding surface level and velocity fields u , v and w have been calculated from (4.5)-(4.7) and are presented in Fig. (5.6).

6. Conclusion

We have proposed analytical solutions for the 2d and 3d incompressible and hydrostatic Euler system. The FRESH-ASSESS solutions have been obtained in various situations: free surface, partially free surface, shocks, transient regime, ... and can be derived for a large class of geometrical domains.

The main interest of these analytical solutions is to allow the validation of numerical schemes. The authors have already checked that the numerical schemes they have proposed [1, 2] for the resolution of the incompressible and hydrostatic Euler system with free surface are able to recover the analytical solutions proposed here.

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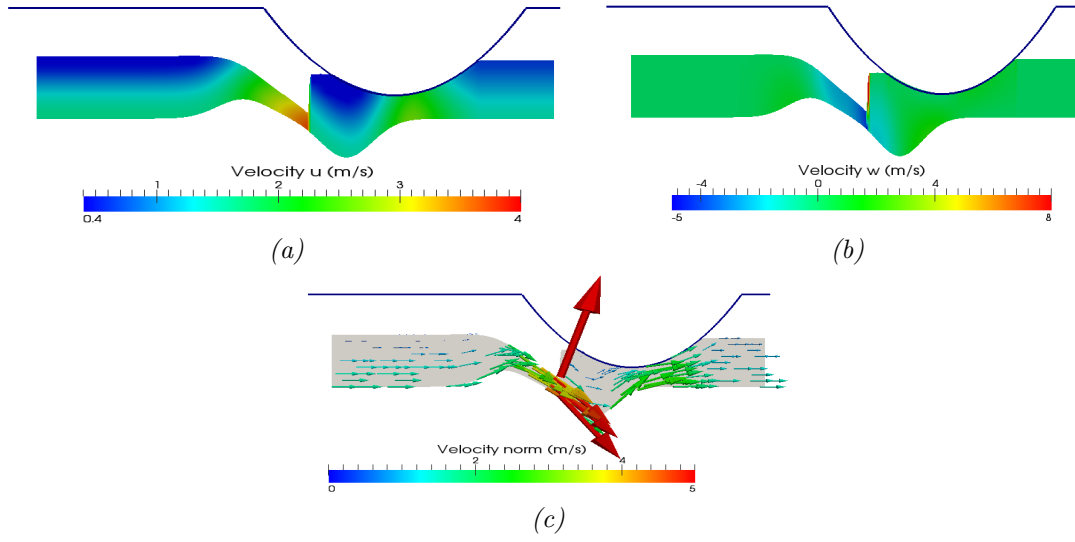


FIG. 5.3. Surface level of the solution with partially free surface (a) horizontal velocity u , (b) vertical velocity w and (c) velocity norm (with arrows).

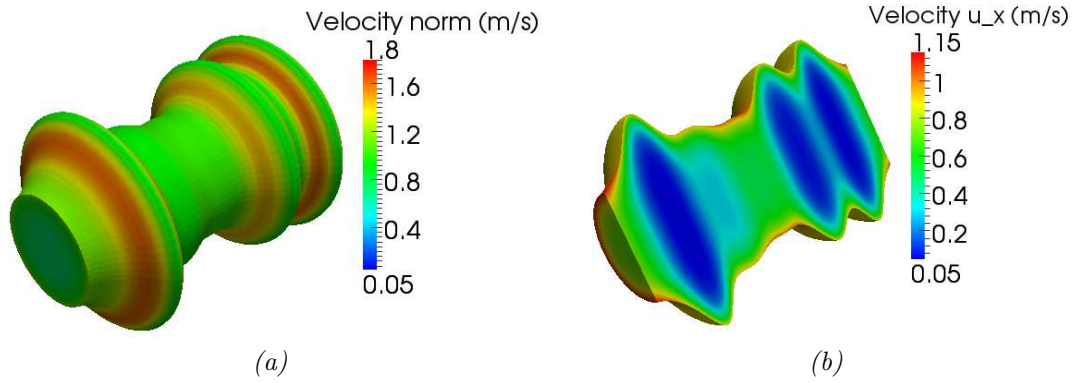


FIG. 5.4. Deformation of the cylinder and the velocity field (a) velocity norm, (b) slice along z with the velocity u_x .

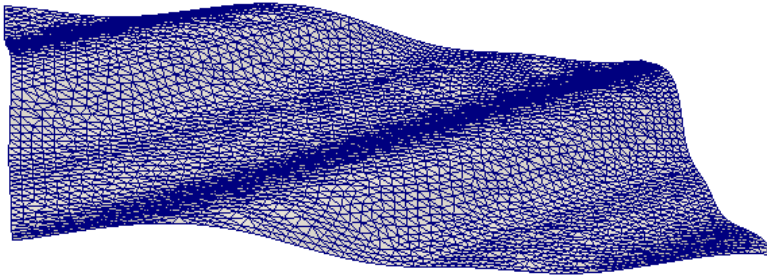


FIG. 5.5. 3d bottom geometry.

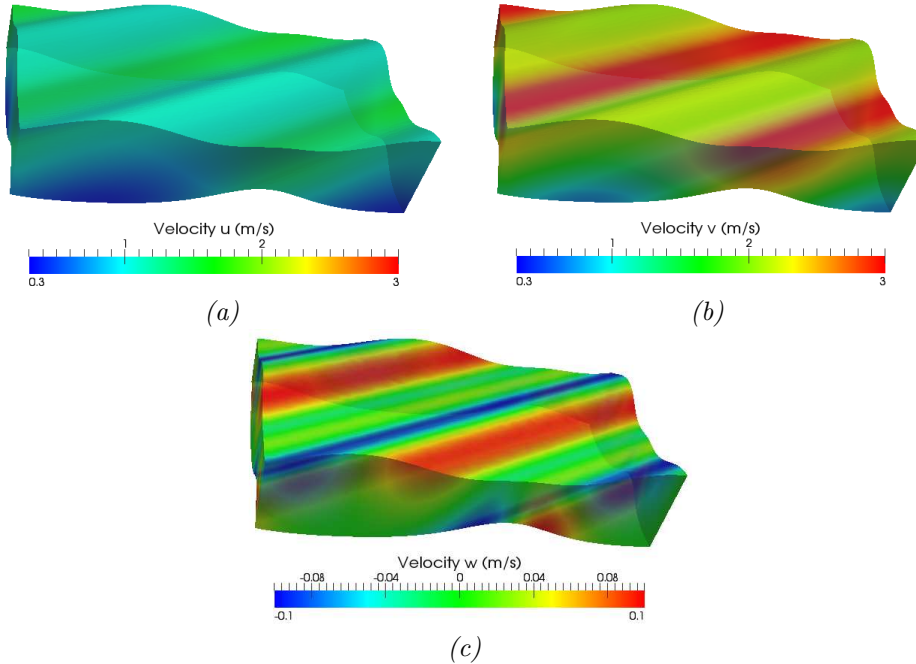


FIG. 5.6. Surface level of the 3d solution and (a) and (b) horizontal velocities u and v and (c) vertical velocity w .

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