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[Three Hours]

[Answer all questions, each Question carries 20 marks]

Q1. a) With the use of neat sketches where necessary, discuss the differences between Airy wave theory and Stokes second order wave theory. [5.0 Marks]

b) A wave front with a mean wave period of 8 s is approaching a sloping beach, parallel to the bottom contours. The nearshore bottom contours in this area are straight and shore parallel. If the wave height and the shoaling coefficient of this wave front at a nearshore depth are 2.12 m and 1.06, respectively, using the wave table in Page 4, determine the corresponding depth of propagation of the wave front. Using the calculated depth, determine the maximum horizontal velocity (u) and the maximum vertical acceleration (a_z) components of this wave front on the sea bed.

With usual notations,

$$\Phi = \frac{gH}{2\omega} \frac{\cosh k(d+z)}{\cosh kd} \sin(kx - \omega t) \quad ; \quad u = \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial x} \quad ; \quad w = \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial z} \quad ; \quad a_z = \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} \quad ; \quad K_s = \frac{H}{H_0}$$

[10.0 Marks]

c) Using Figure Q1, deduce whether the wave front mentioned in Q1 part (b) is breaking or not at this depth. Assume the average slope of the sea bed as 0.050.

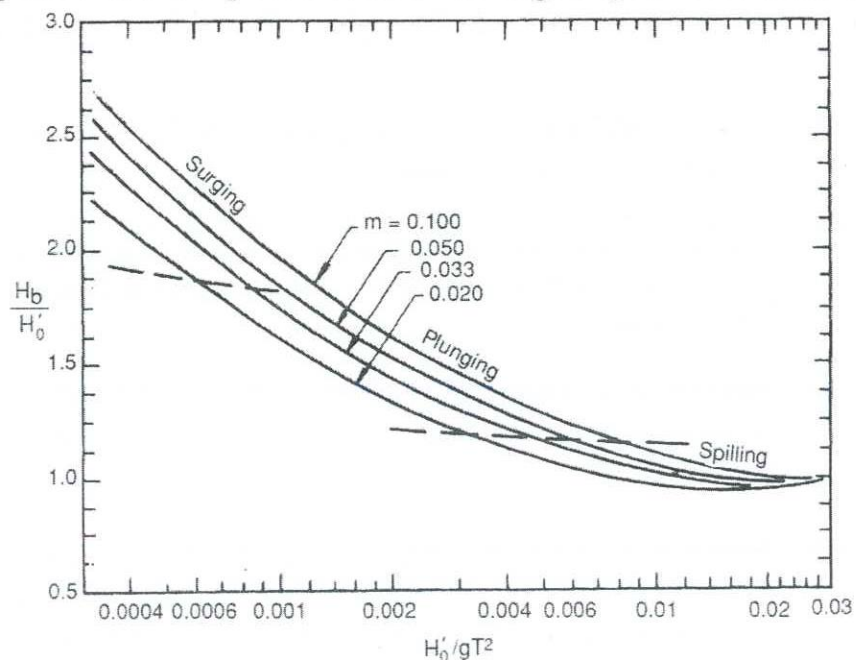


Figure Q1: Dimensionless breaker height and type versus bottom slope and deep water steepness.

[5.0 Marks]

- Q2. a) Discuss the influence of sea bed slope on the processes of wave shoaling and breaking. [5.0 Marks]
- b) A wave in a 100 m deep ocean has a period of 10 s and a height of 2.2 m and propagates towards the nearshore without refraction and energy gain or loss.
- Deduce the classification of this wave (deep, shallow or intermediate) at 100 m depth.
 - Determine the wave height and the water particle velocity and pressure at a point 5 m below the still water level under a wave crest, at a water depth of 8 m.
 - Using Figure Q1, determine the type of breaking, and breaking wave height of this wave front if the slope of the sea bed is 1:10. [15.0 Marks]

With usual notations,

Velocity potential of small amplitude wave theory

$$\Phi = \frac{gH}{2\omega} \frac{\cosh k(d+z)}{\cosh kd} \sin(kx - \omega t)$$

$$\text{Pressure field } p = -\rho g z + \frac{\rho g H}{2} \left[\frac{\cosh k(d+z)}{\cosh kd} \right] \cos(kx - \omega t)$$

$$\frac{H}{H_0} = K_s K_r ; \text{ where } K_s = \sqrt{\frac{L_0}{2nL}} ; K_r = \sqrt{\frac{B_0}{B}} ; n = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{2kd}{\sinh 2kd} \right)$$

$$\text{Unrefracted deep water wave height } \frac{H_0^1}{gT^2}$$

- Q3. a) Discuss briefly the major facilities to be provided when developing a commercial harbour and explain how these facilities are arranged in the sheltered area of the harbour for safe and efficient harbour operations. [6.0 Marks]
- b) What are the major issues associated with sand nourishment when employed as a shore protection measure? [7.0 Marks]
- c) Explain briefly the management strategies adopted in the Integrated Coastal Zone Management Programme in conserving coastal habitats in Sri Lankan coastal zone. [7.0 Marks]
- Q4. a) Discuss the significance of physical modeling studies compared with the mathematical and process oriented numerical modeling approaches. [5.0 Marks]
- b) Briefly discuss the importance of maintaining the same surface roughness of the armour units in the prototype and in the model, in physical model testing of coastal structures. How the model armor units are arranged to reduce the contact friction? [5.0 Marks]

- c) Physical model test is planned to investigate the armour layer stability of a breakwater constructed using rock armors of density of 2665 kg/m^3 , each weighing 2 tons. 1:40 stability model has been set up using scaled prototype rock armors, in freshwater. Calculate the weight of the armor units to be used in the model.

[10.0 Marks]

With usual notations Hudson stability number is given by
$$\frac{\gamma_a^{1/3} H}{\left[\frac{\gamma_a}{\gamma_w} - 1 \right] W_a^{1/3}}$$

Sea water and fresh water densities are 1025 kg/m^3 , 1000 kg/m^3 , respectively.

Q5.

Figure Q5 depicts two shore parallel detached breakwaters erected in the surf zone of a coastal environment.

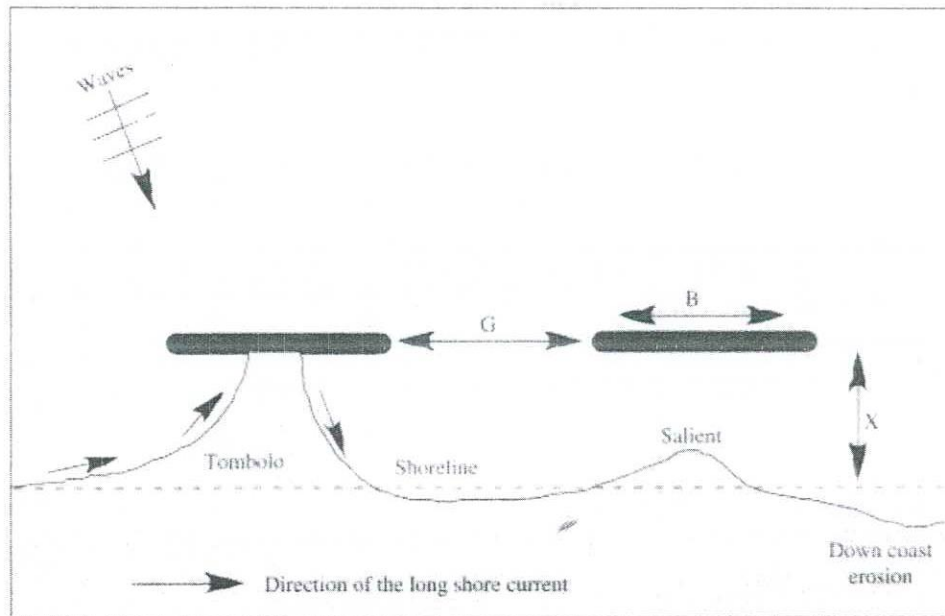


Figure Q5

- Discuss the functional significance of a breakwater in a harbor design. [5.0 Marks]
- Explain the formation of Tombolo as shown in Figure Q5, due to the erection of the breakwater. [5.0 Marks]
- Evaluate the impact of oblique wave fronts in the sediment motion in this coastal environment. [5.0 Marks]
- Propose a remedial measure to minimize the down coast erosion shown in Figure Q5, and appraise its suitability considering the wave directions, presence of coastal structures and prevailing morphodynamics in this environment. [5.0 Marks]

Wave Table

$\frac{h}{L_0}$	$\frac{h}{L}$	$\frac{h}{L_0}$	$\frac{h}{L}$	$\frac{h}{L_0}$	$\frac{h}{L}$	$\frac{h}{L_0}$	$\frac{h}{L}$	$\frac{h}{L_0}$	$\frac{h}{L}$	$\frac{h}{L_0}$	$\frac{h}{L}$
	tanh kh	$\frac{h}{L}$	kh	$\sinh kh$	$\cosh kh$	G	$\frac{H}{H_0}$		$\frac{h}{L_0}$	tanh kh	$\frac{h}{L}$
0.000	0.000	0.0000	0.000	0.000	1.00	1.000	∞		0.20	0.888	0.225
0.002	112	0179	112	113	01	0.992	2.12		21	899	234
0.004	158	0253	159	160	01	0.983	1.79		22	909	242
0.006	193	0311	195	197	02	0.975	62		23	918	251
0.008	222	0360	226	228	03	0.967	51		24	926	259
0.010	0.248	0.0403	0.253	0.256	1.03	0.958	1.43		0.25	0.933	0.268
0.015	302	0496	312	317	05	0.938	31		26	940	277
0.020	347	0576	362	370	07	0.918	23		27	946	285
0.025	386	0648	407	418	08	0.898	17		28	952	294
0.030	0.420	0.0713	0.448	0.463	1.10	0.878	1.13		29	957	303
0.035	452	0775	487	506	12	0.858	09		0.30	0.961	0.312
0.040	480	0833	523	548	14	0.838	06		31	965	321
0.045	507	0888	558	588	16	0.819	04		32	969	330
0.050	0.531	0.0942	0.592	0.627	1.18	0.800	1.02		33	972	339
0.055	554	0993	624	665	20	0.781	1.01		34	975	349
0.060	575	104	655	703	22	0.762	0.993		0.35	0.978	0.358
0.065	595	109	686	741	24	0.744	0.981		36	980	367
0.070	614	114	716	779	27	0.725	971		37	983	377
0.075	0.632	0.119	0.745	0.816	1.29	0.707	0.962		38	984	386
0.080	649	123	774	854	31	0.690	955		39	986	395
0.085	665	128	803	892	34	0.672	948		0.40	0.988	0.405
0.090	681	132	831	929	37	0.655	942		41	989	415
0.095	695	137	858	0.968	39	0.637	937		42	990	424
0.10	0.709	0.141	0.886	1.01	1.42	0.620	0.933		43	991	434
0.11	735	150	940	08	48	0.587	926		44	992	443
0.12	759	158	0.994	17	54	0.555	920		0.45	0.993	0.453
0.13	780	167	1.05	25	60	0.524	917		46	994	463
0.14	800	175	10	33	67	0.494	915		47	995	472
0.15	0.818	0.183	1.15	1.42	1.74	0.465	0.913		48	995	482
0.16	835	192	20	52	82	0.437	913		49	996	492
0.17	850	200	26	61	90	0.410	913		0.50	0.996	0.502
0.18	864	208	31	72	1.99	0.384	914		∞	1.000	∞
0.19	877	217	36	82	2.08	0.359	916				
0.20	0.888	0.225	1.41	1.94	2.18	0.335	0.918				