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[Three Hours]

[Answer all questions, each question carries TWELVE marks]

Q1. Discuss the following with the aid of sketches if necessary:

- (i) Generation, propagation and breaking of ocean waves
- (ii) Spring and Neap tides
- (iii) Coastal Zone Management in Sri Lanka showing the limits of the coastal zone and stating the duties and functions of the Coast Conservation and Coastal Resource Management Department.

[4 marks X 3]

Q2. Answer the questions (a) and (b) using the Figure Q2.

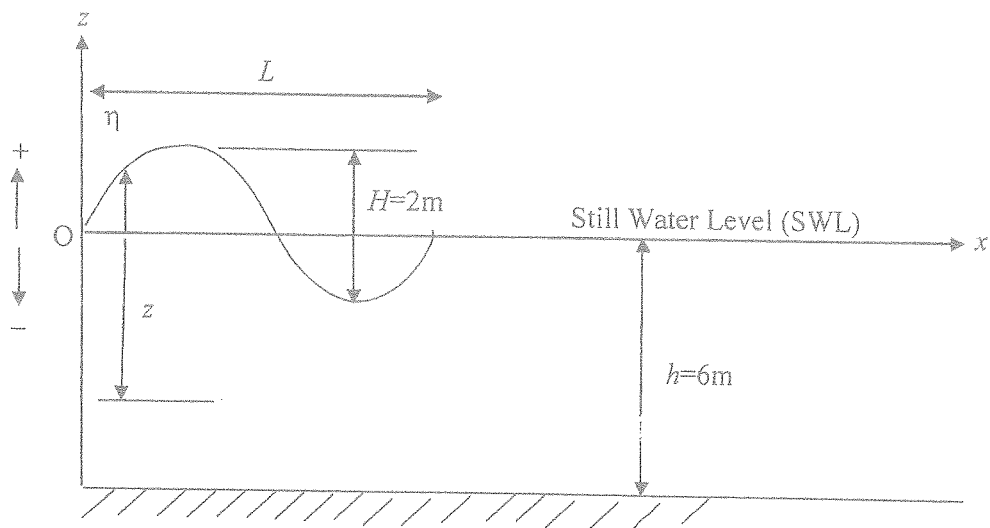


Figure Q2

- (a) What are the assumptions made in deriving linear (Airy) wave theory ? [3 marks]
- (b) Linearised form of the velocity potential of a surface gravity ocean wave, written in usual notation, is given by:

$$\phi = \frac{gH}{2\omega} \frac{\cosh k(z+h)}{\cosh(kh)} \sin(kx - \omega t) \text{ ----- Eq. 2.1}$$

- (i) Starting with the velocity potential (ϕ) derive relationships for vertical orbital velocity, w and horizontal orbital velocity, u and horizontal acceleration, a_x of progressive water waves.

[6 marks]

- (ii) If, wave height, $H=2$ m, wave period, $T=8$ seconds and water depth, $h=6$ m calculate the peak values of u , w and a_x at the sea bed (Wave table is provided).

[3 marks]

Q3.

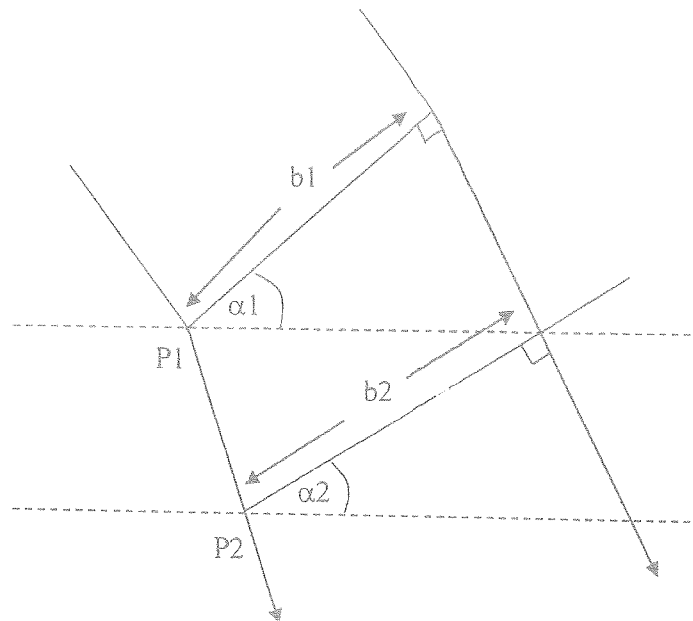


Figure Q3

- (a) (i) Define ocean wave refraction and shoaling.

[2 marks]

- (ii) Starting with the energy flux transmitted by water waves between two wave orthogonals having a width b , i.e. $P=C_gEb$ where, $E=(1/8)\rho gH^2$ and C_g = Group velocity, derive the relationship, $H_2/H_1=K_sK_r$ taking refraction and shoaling into account. As shown in Figure Q3, H_1 is the wave height at point P1 seaward and H_2 is the wave height at point P2 at a nearshore location. K_s and K_r are shoaling and refraction coefficients, respectively. Clearly state the assumptions made in the derivation.

[4 marks]

- (b) A wave of $H=2$ m height and wave period, $T=8$ sec in $h=10$ m water depth (at point P1) approaches the shore having straight and parallel sea bed contours at $\alpha_1=30$ deg angle with the bed contours. What is the wave height at 6m water depth (at point P2)? Assume wave period, T remains constant during wave transformation (wave table is provided).

Group velocity is given by; $C_g = C * n$ where, C is the speed of individual waves (celerity), deep water wave celerity, $C_0 = L_0/T$, $C = L/T$.

[6 marks]

Q4. Figure Q4 shows a plan of a harbour basin protected by a rock breakwater. Rock armour is placed as the cover layer on breakwater arm segments AB, BC, DE and EF. CD is a concrete quay wall with a vertical face. Diffraction coefficient, K_d is indicated by the contours shown within the harbour basin. The water depth of the basin is $h=10$ m.

(a) Define wave diffraction.

[3 marks]

(b) Explain why reflected wave height is less in front of a rock breakwater than a vertical concrete sea wall.

[3 marks]

(c) If wave height at the harbour mouth is $H=2$ m, calculate the incoming wave height (H_{inc}) at the rock breakwater (BC) and vertical quay wall (CD).

[3 marks]

(d) Estimate the maximum reflected wave heights in front of BC and CD on the harbour basin side, making appropriate assumptions for typical K_r values for rock breakwater and vertical quay wall, where, K_r is the reflection coefficient, $K_r = H_r/H_{inc}$.

[3 marks]

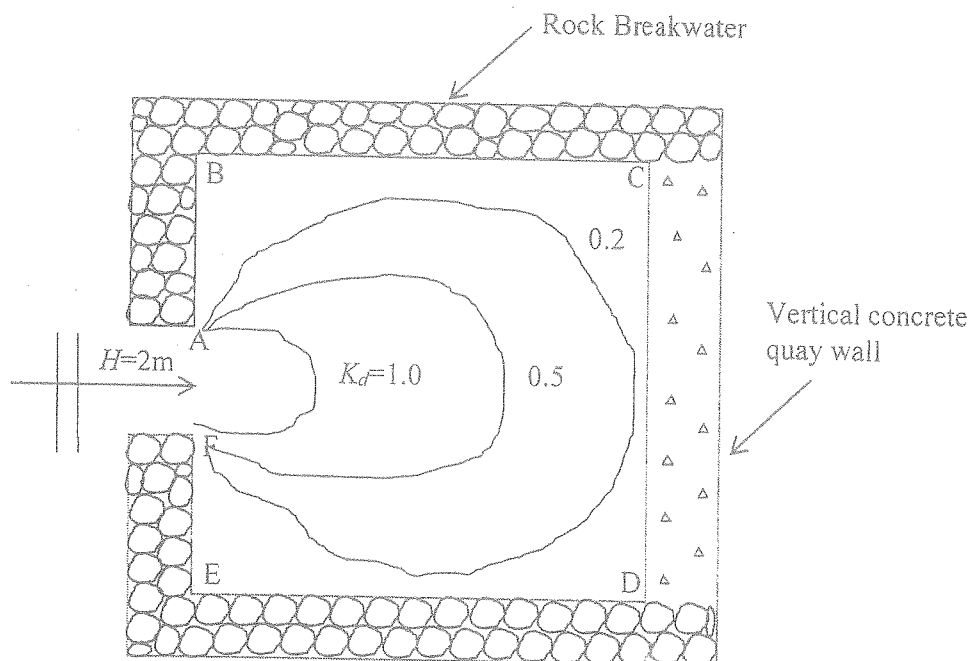


Figure Q4

- Q5. (a) Name (i) hard (ii) soft coastal protection methods. [3 marks]
- (b) With the aid of sketches, explain beach planform evolution near two hard coastal structures named in (a). Mark the direction of dominant wave approach and longshore current/drift direction on the same sketch. [3 marks]
- (c) Hard coastal structures constructed to solve an erosion problem may shift the problem down coast. Explain this statement giving reasons. [2 marks]
- (d) (i) Name two criteria to satisfy hydraulic similarity in a physical model. [2 marks]
- (ii) If the geometric length scale ratio between a prototype and a physical model, $N_L = \frac{L_p}{L_m}$ and time scale ratio $N_T = \frac{t_p}{t_m}$ in usual notation, obtain a relationship for time scale ratio for a simple pendulum whose period T (seconds), is given by:

$$T = 2\pi \left(\frac{L}{g} \right) \text{----- Eq. 5.1}$$
where, L is length of the pendulum and g is gravitational acceleration. [2 marks]

APPENDIX:

Table 1. Wave table

| h/L_0 | h/L | $\text{Sinh}(2\pi h/L)$ | $\text{Cosh}(2\pi h/L)$ | n | C_g/C_0 |
|---------|---------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------|-----------|
| | | | | | |
| 0.050 | 0.09416 | 0.6267 | 1.1802 | 0.8999 | 0.4779 |
| 0.051 | 0.09520 | 0.6344 | 1.1843 | 0.8980 | 0.4811 |
| 0.052 | 0.09623 | 0.6421 | 1.1884 | 0.8961 | 0.4842 |
| 0.053 | 0.09726 | 0.6499 | 1.1926 | 0.8943 | 0.4873 |
| 0.054 | 0.09829 | 0.6575 | 1.1968 | 0.8924 | 0.4903 |
| | | | | | |
| 0.055 | 0.09930 | 0.6652 | 1.2011 | 0.8905 | 0.4932 |
| 0.056 | 0.1003 | 0.6729 | 1.2053 | 0.8886 | 0.4960 |
| 0.057 | 0.1013 | 0.6805 | 1.2096 | 0.8867 | 0.4988 |
| 0.058 | 0.1023 | 0.6880 | 1.2138 | 0.8849 | 0.5015 |
| 0.059 | 0.1033 | 0.6956 | 1.2181 | 0.8830 | 0.5042 |
| | | | | | |
| 0.060 | 0.1043 | 0.7033 | 1.2225 | 0.8811 | 0.5068 |
| 0.061 | 0.1053 | 0.7110 | 1.2270 | 0.8792 | 0.5094 |
| 0.062 | 0.1063 | 0.7187 | 1.2315 | 0.8773 | 0.5119 |
| 0.063 | 0.1073 | 0.7256 | 1.2355 | 0.8755 | 0.5143 |
| 0.064 | 0.1082 | 0.7335 | 1.2402 | 0.8737 | 0.5167 |
| 0.065 | 0.1092 | 0.7411 | 1.2447 | 0.8719 | 0.5191 |
| | | | | | |
| 0.095 | 0.1366 | 0.9677 | 1.3917 | 0.8187 | 0.5693 |
| 0.096 | 0.1375 | 0.9755 | 1.3970 | 0.8170 | 0.5704 |
| 0.097 | 0.1384 | 0.9832 | 1.4023 | 0.8153 | 0.5716 |
| 0.098 | 0.1392 | 0.9908 | 1.4077 | 0.8136 | 0.5727 |
| 0.099 | 0.1401 | 0.9985 | 1.4131 | 0.8120 | 0.5737 |
| | | | | | |
| 0.1000 | 0.1410 | 1.006 | 1.4187 | 0.8103 | 0.5747 |
| 0.1010 | 0.1419 | 1.014 | 1.4242 | 0.8086 | 0.5757 |
| 0.1020 | 0.1427 | 1.022 | 1.4297 | 0.8069 | 0.5766 |
| 0.1030 | 0.1436 | 1.030 | 1.4354 | 0.8052 | 0.5776 |
| 0.1040 | 0.1445 | 1.037 | 1.4410 | 0.8036 | 0.5785 |