

METR 5113, Advanced Atmospheric Dynamics I
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- 4 handouts: Info about final exam, Answers to Exam 2, Answers to p.s. 5, and Particle orbits in a sfc gravity wave (from Kundu)

Surface gravity waves (contd)

recall that:

$$\omega = \sqrt{gk \tanh(kH)}, \quad c = \sqrt{\frac{g}{k} \tanh(kH)}$$

and that for "shallow water": $kH \ll 1$ so we're led to

$$\omega_{\text{shallow}} = k \sqrt{gH}, \quad c_{\text{shallow}} = \sqrt{gH}$$

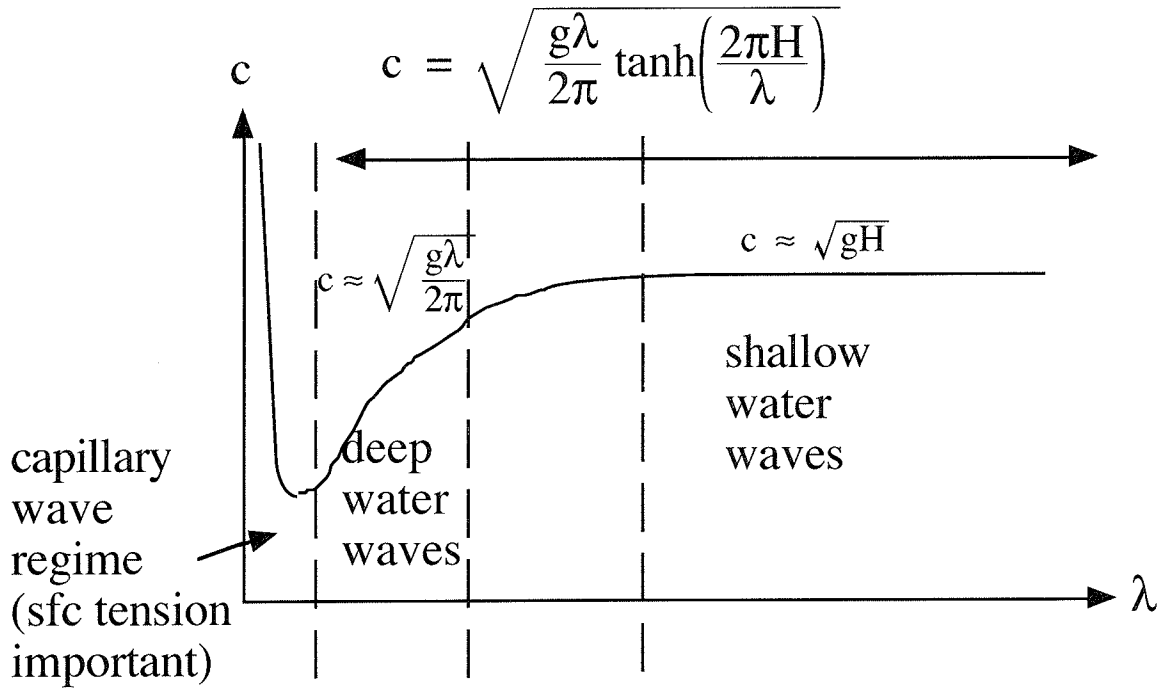
Now consider pressure in shallow water conditions:

$$\frac{p_{\text{shallow}}}{\rho} = \text{const} - gz + \frac{a \omega^2 \approx k^2 g H \cosh[k(z+H)] \approx 1}{k \sinh(kH) \approx kH} \cos(kx - \omega t)$$

$$= \text{const} - gz + ag \cos(kx - \omega t)$$

$$= \text{const} - g(z - \eta) \quad \underline{\text{Hydrostatic pressure distribution.}}$$

Now look at phase speed c for the general surface wave case (deep/shallow/whatever):



"deep" or "shallow" depends on λ relative to H . Water that's 100 m deep is "deep" for $\lambda = 10$ m but "shallow" for $\lambda = 1000$ m.

Derive streamfunction [recall this is a 2D incomp flow]

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial z} = u = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} = a\omega \frac{\cosh[k(z+H)]}{\sinh(kH)} \cos(kx - \omega t)$$

integrate w.r.t. z :

$$(1) \quad \psi = \frac{a\omega}{k} \frac{\sinh[k(z+H)]}{\sinh(kH)} \cos(kx - \omega t) + F(x,t)$$

Similarly, $\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} = -w = \dots$ Integrate w.r.t. x , to get:

$$(2) \quad \psi = \frac{a\omega}{k} \frac{\sinh[k(z+H)]}{\sinh(kH)} \cos(kx - \omega t) + G(z,t)$$

$F(x,t) = G(z,t)$ but fn of x can't be a fn of z -- so no x or z

dependence. So $F(x,t) = G(z,t) = E(t)$. But $E(t)$ is irrelevant since u, w only care about spatial derivs of ψ . So take $E(t) = 0$.

$$\therefore \psi = \frac{a\omega}{k} \frac{\sinh[k(z+H)]}{\sinh(kH)} \cos(kx - \omega t)$$

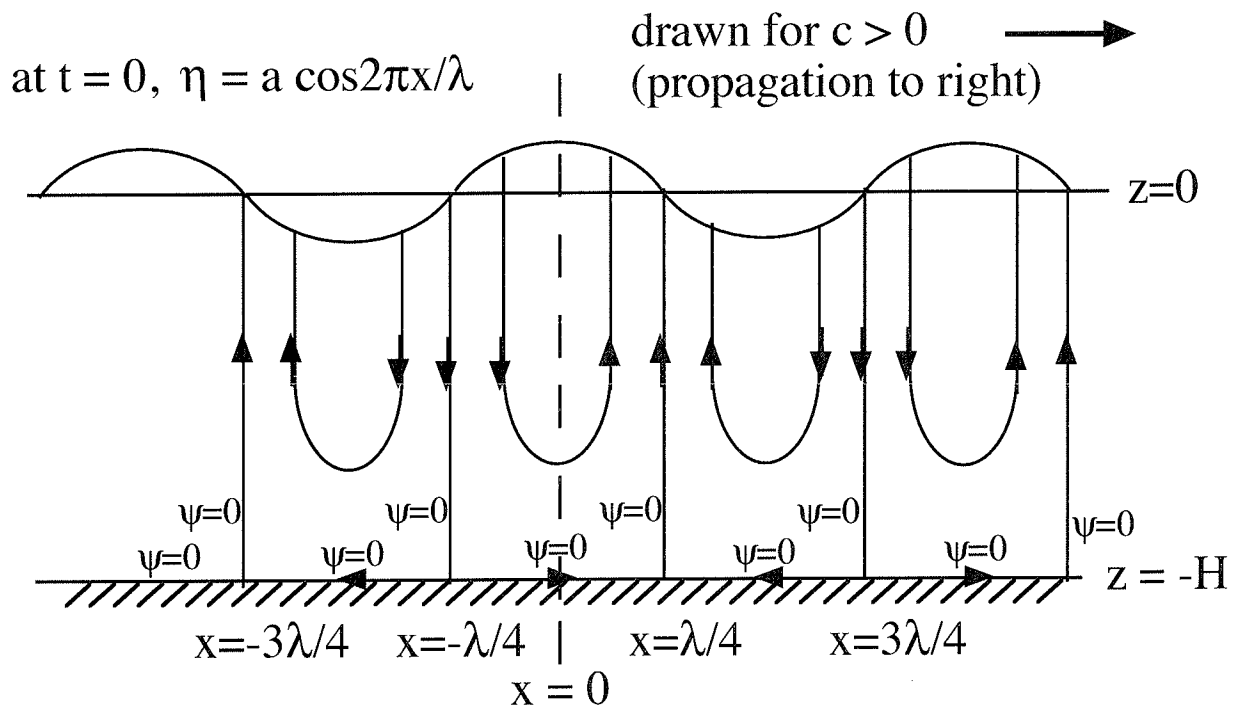
Graph streamlines ($\psi = \text{const}$) at $t = 0$.

$$\psi = 0 \text{ for: } z = -H \text{ and for: } \boxed{k} x = \pm \frac{\pi}{2}, \pm \frac{3\pi}{2}, \pm \frac{5\pi}{2}, \dots$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$2\pi/\lambda$$

$$x = \pm \frac{\lambda}{4}, \pm \frac{3\lambda}{4}, \pm \frac{5\lambda}{4}, \dots$$



[Get dirn of flow (arrows) from soln for u or w , or consider: for pattern moving toward right, η is rising to right of crest (so $w > 0$ there) and η is falling to left of crest (so $w < 0$ there). Arrows on bottom give sense of horiz conv/div needed to support this w field. Clearly parcel velocity differs from phase speed.]

Trajectory eqns:

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = u[x(t), z(t), t], \quad \frac{dz}{dt} = w[x(t), z(t), t] .$$

Parcels undergo small oscillations about mean position, x_0, z_0 , so can safely approximate the right hand sides of traj eqns as:

$$u[x(t), z(t), t] \approx u(x_0, z_0, t)$$

$$w[x(t), z(t), t] \approx w(x_0, z_0, t)$$

Solution of the approx traj eqns are ellipses (Kundu figs 7.5, 7.6)

Group Velocity

Consider 2 waves of equal amplitude and slightly different frequency and wavelength moving in same direction:

$$\omega_1 = \omega + \Delta\omega, \quad k_1 = k + \Delta k$$

$$\omega_2 = \omega - \Delta\omega, \quad k_2 = k - \Delta k$$

assume $\frac{\Delta\omega}{\omega} \ll 1, \quad \frac{\Delta k}{k} \ll 1$

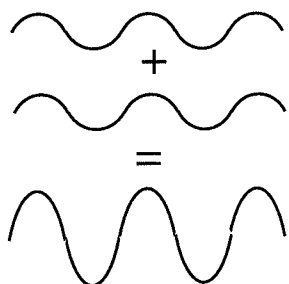
Because of dispersion relation, $\Delta\omega$ is related to Δk .

Mean frequency is: $\frac{\omega_1 + \omega_2}{2} = \frac{\omega + \Delta\omega + \omega - \Delta\omega}{2} = \omega$

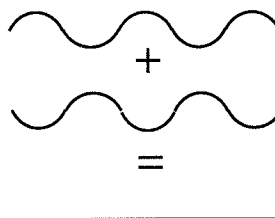
Mean wavenumber is: $\frac{k_1 + k_2}{2} = \dots = k$

Where the waves are in phase (or nearly so) they combine to form a wave of twice amplitude. Where they're out of phase, they kill each other off.

2 waves in phase:



2 waves out of phase:



$$\eta = a \cos(k_1 x - \omega_1 t) + a \cos(k_2 x - \omega_2 t)$$

$$= a \cos(kx - \omega t + \Delta k x - \Delta \omega t) + a \cos(kx - \omega t - (\Delta k x - \Delta \omega t))$$

$$= a \cos(kx - \omega t) \cos(\Delta k x - \Delta \omega t) \boxed{- a \sin(kx - \omega t) \sin(\Delta k x - \Delta \omega t)}$$

cancellation

$$+ a \cos(kx - \omega t) \cos(\Delta k x - \Delta \omega t) \boxed{+ a \sin(kx - \omega t) \sin(\Delta k x - \Delta \omega t)}$$

$$= 2a \cos(kx - \omega t) \cos(\Delta k x - \Delta \omega t)$$

$$\therefore \eta = A \boxed{\cos(kx - \omega t)} \quad \text{where } A \equiv 2a \cos(\Delta k x - \Delta \omega t)$$

effective
amplitude

carrier wave (mean wave)

Effective amplitude A is itself a wave with wavelength

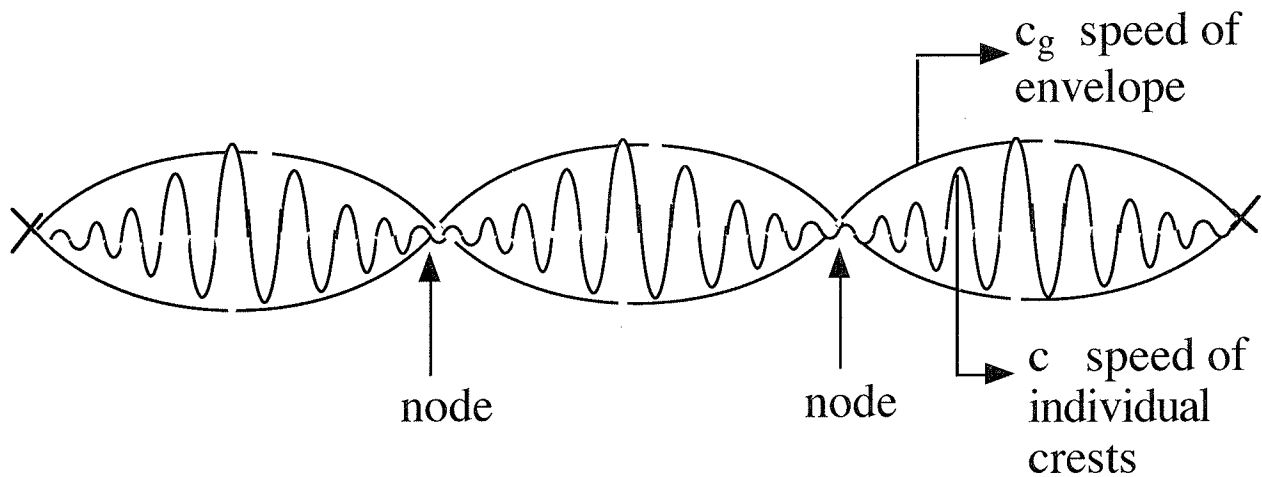
$$\lambda_{\text{amplitude}} = \frac{2\pi}{\Delta k} \gg \frac{2\pi}{k} = \lambda_{\text{carrier wave}}$$

A propagates at speed $\frac{\Delta \omega}{\Delta k}$ where $\Delta \omega$ is related to Δk by

dispersion relⁿ. For small Δk , $\frac{\Delta\omega}{\Delta k} \rightarrow \frac{d\omega}{dk}$. Define $c_g \equiv \frac{d\omega}{dk}$
 or $\vec{c}_g \equiv \frac{d\omega}{dk} \hat{i}$ Group velocity. A vector.

c is phase speed of crests [not a vector, see fig. 7.3 Kundu]

c_g is speed of envelope of crests.



Energy is trapped between nodes \therefore energy propagates at speed of nodes (speed of envelope), i.e. speed c_g , not phase speed c .

Notion of group velocity is applicable to any type of wave.

For deep-water sfc waves:

$$\omega = \sqrt{gk}$$

$$c = \sqrt{\frac{g}{k}}$$

$$c_g = \frac{d\omega}{dk} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{k}} \sqrt{g}$$

\therefore $\boxed{c_g = \frac{1}{2} c}$ [since $c > c_g$, individual crests move through envelope, die at nodes]

For shallow water sfc waves:

$$\omega = k \sqrt{gH}$$

$$c = \sqrt{gH}$$

$$c_g = \frac{d\omega}{dk} = \sqrt{gH}$$

\therefore $\boxed{c_g = c}$

End of our work on surface gravity waves. Now look at internal gravity waves.