

Introduction to SWASH model:  
theory and hands-on session  
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# SWASH model

- SWASH : **S**imulating **WA**ves till **SH**ore
- Wave-flow model
- Time domain
- Based on non-linear shallow water equation with non-hydrostatic pressure (fully non-linear)

# Easy-to-use

- Open source, available at [Sourceforge.net](http://Sourceforge.net)
- Accessible:
  - Fortran 90
  - Parallel computing
  - Simple data structure, easy-to-understand
  - Easy to install
- The same "touch and feel" as SWAN
  - SWAN : spectrum domain wave model
  - ~almost the same input

## Input is simple; Just 50 lines in this case (Wenduine case)

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1 $*****HEADING*****↓
2 $↓
3 $ Wenduine physical model, Test_125↓
4 $↓
5 PROJ 'WEN_125_INC' '01'↓
6 $↓
7 $*****MODEL INPUT*****↓
8 $ Water level↓
9 SET LEVEL 6.92↓
10 MODE NONST ONED↓
11 ↓
12 $ Coordinates (1D) ↓
13 CGRID 0. 0. 0. 1300.0 0. 2600 0 ! Flume physical total:64 m, SWASH: 52 m, NGrid 2600 (dx=0.5 m)↓
14 VERT 1 ! 1 layer↓
15 ↓
16 $ Bottom (1D)↓
17 INPGRID BOTTOM 0. 0. 0. 2600 0 0.5 0.↓
18 READINP BOTTOM -1. 'WEN_125.bot' 1 0 FREE ! Slope 1/35, depth -16.88 m↓
19 ↓
20 $ Initial state↓
21 INIT zero↓
22 ↓
23 $ Wave conditions↓
24 BOU SIDE W CCW BTYPE WEAK CON SERIES 'WEN_125_INC.bnd'↓
25 BOU SIDE E CCW BTYPE RADIATION↓
26 ↓
27 $ Physics↓
28 FRIC MANN 0.01↓
29 Break↓
30 NONHYDROSTATIC↓
31 ↓
32 $ Numerics↓
33 DISCRET UPW MOM↓
34 TIMEI 0.1 0.5↓
35 $↓
36 ↓
37 $***** OUTPUT REQUESTS *****↓
38 $↓
39 POINTS 'WG' FILE 'out_wg.loc' ! Wave gauges↓
40 TABLE 'WG' NOHEAD 'WEN_125_INC_OUT.tbl' TSEC WATL OUTPUT 000000.000 0.2 SEC↓
41 POINTS 'LAYER' FILE 'out_layer.loc' ! Overtopping layer depth and speed↓
42 TABLE 'LAYER' NOHEAD 'WEN_125_INC_OUT.ltn' TSEC DIST BOTL WATL OUTPUT 000000.000 0.2 SEC↓
43 TABLE 'LAYER' NOHEAD 'WEN_125_INC_OUT.lsp' TSEC DIST BOTL VEL OUTPUT 000000.000 0.2 SEC↓
44 POINTS 'WGO' FILE 'out_surf.loc' ! Water surface↓
45 TABLE 'WGO' NOHEAD 'WEN_125_INC_OUT.sur' TSEC WATL OUTPUT 031355.000 0.2 SEC↓
46 ↓
47 $↓
48 TEST 1 0↓
49 COMPUTE 000000.000 0.02 SEC 032355.000↓
50 STOP[EOF]
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# Basic philosophy

- Provide an efficient and robust model that allows a wide range of time and space scales of surface waves and shallow water flows in complex environments  
-> NS model (e.g. VOF mode) is too expensive to simulate in 3D domain and number of waves (e.g. 1000 waves)

Most of the coastal application, one layer calculation is enough ( $kh < 1$ )

# Principle behind non-hydrostatic wave-flow modeling

- Simplest modeling for wave transformation: NLSW
- NLSW-type models are able to deal with breaking/bore capturing
- Non-hydrostatic pressure enable to model many other wave phenomena (dispersion, surf beat, triads, etc.).
- Water depth can be divided into a number of layers: improvement of dispersion relation

# Main uses

- Predicting wave transformation
  - Offshore to beach
  - Agitation in ports and harbor
  - Transmission over porous structure
  - Overtopping over a dike (e.g. Wenduine)
- Predicting flow
  - Rapidly changing topography, typically found in coastal flooding (e.g. dike breaks, tsunamis and flood waves)
- Others
  - Ocean circulation, tides and storm surges

# Physics

- Propagation, frequency dispersion, shoaling, refraction, reflection and diffraction,
- flooding, wave run-up,
- nonlinear wave-wave interactions (surf beat, triads),
- wave-induced currents and wave-current interaction,
- wave breaking,
- bottom friction, and
- subgrid turbulence and vertical mixing.



# Numerics

- Staggered grid in space and time
- Time stepping is done in combination with second order projection method
- Either SIP (depth-averaged mode) or (M)ILU-BiCGSTAB (multi-layered mode) iterative solver is employed for the solution of the pressure Poisson equation.

# Comparison with Boussinesq model

- SWASH improves its frequency dispersion by increasing this number of layers rather than increasing the order of derivatives of the dependent variables
- SWASH is more robust and faster than Boussinesq-type wave model.
- SWASH does not have any numerical filter nor dedicated dissipation mechanism to eliminate short wave instabilities.
- Wave breaking in SWASH is not artificial
- Fully non-linear in SWASH

# Computations

- SWASH computations can be made on a regular and an orthogonal curvilinear grid in a Cartesian or spherical coordinate system.
- SWASH runs can be done serial, i.e. one SWASH program on one processor, as well as parallel, i.e. one SWASH program on more than one processor using an MPI protocol.

# Boundary conditions

- Wave boundary (weakly reflective)
  - Regular waves by means of Fourier series or time series
  - Irregular unidirectional waves by means of 1D spectrum (Defined spectrum, Pierson-Moskowitz, Jonswap or TMA).
  - Irregular multidirectional waves by means of 2D spectrum. (Defined spectrum, Pierson-Moskowitz, Jonswap or TMA) while the directional spreading can be expressed with the well-known cosine power or in terms of the directional standard deviation.
- Velocity or discharge
- Sommerfeld or radiation condition
- Sponge layers
- Periodic boundaries

# Output (ASCII or binary Matlab files)

- water surface elevation
- depth-averaged velocity magnitude and direction
- layer-averaged velocity magnitude and direction
- vertical distribution of horizontal velocity
- turbulence quantities ( $k$ ,  $\varepsilon$  and  $\nu_t$ )
- time-averaged turbulence quantities
- transport constituents (salt, heat and suspended sediment)
- time-averaged transport constituents
- layer-averaged pressure
- vertical distribution of pressure
- non-hydrostatic pressure
- significant wave height
- wave-induced setup
- maximum horizontal runup or inundation depth

etc

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# Examples

<http://swash.sourceforge.net/>

Check a11stwav case

input

a11stwav.sws -> SWASH input file

a11stwav.bot -> bathymetry file

a11stwav.wlv -> incident wave file

# Exercise

Case 1: a11stwav

Run a11stwav case

output

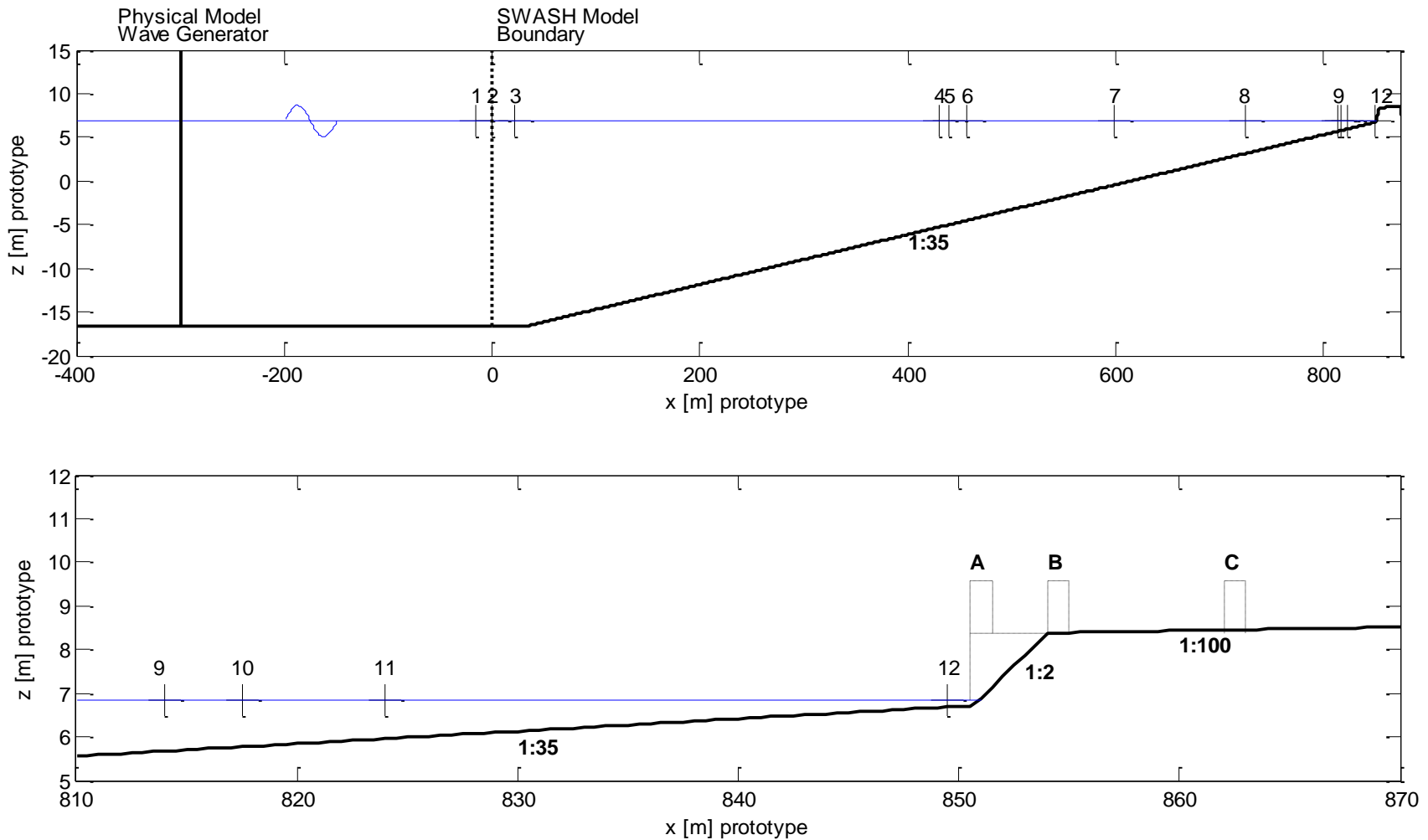
a11stw01.tbl -> output water surface

a11stw01.prt -> log file

SWASH run + mkplot (matlab file)



# Case 2: Wenduine wave overtopping calculation



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5  PROJ 'WEN_125_INC' '01'↓
6  ↓
7  $*****MODEL INPUT*****↓
8  $ Initial setting↓
9  SET LEVEL 8.92                ! Water level↓
10 MODE NONST ONED              ! 1D↓
11 ↓
12 $ Computation grid↓
13 CGRID 0. 0. 0. 1300.0 0. 2600 0      ! x0,y0,dir,x_total,y_total,x_ngrid,y_ngrid↓
14 VERT 1                        ! 1 layer↓
15 ↓
16 $ Bottom file read↓
17 INGRID BOTTOM 0. 0. 0. 2600 0 0.5 0. ! x0,y0,dir,x_ngrid,y_ngrid,dx,dy↓
18 READINP BOTTOM -1. 'WEN_125.bot' 1 0 FREE ! -1:coefficient, 1:idla, 0:n_header↓
19 ↓
20 $ Initial state↓
21 INIT zero                    ! Starting from zero (no velocity)↓
22 ↓
23 $ Wave conditions↓
24 BOU SIDE W CCW BTYPE WEAK CON SERIES 'WEN_125_INC.bnd' ! west boundary Input incident wave time series / wave condition↓
25 BOU SIDE E CCW BTYPE RADIATION      ! east boundary Sommerfeld↓
26 ↓
27 $ Physics↓
28 FRIC MANN 0.01               ! Bottom friction manning↓
29 Break                        ! Breaking on↓
30 ↓
31 $ Numerics↓
32 NONHYDROSTATIC              ! when VERT>6 then 'NONHYDROSTATIC standard'↓
33 DISCRET UPW MOM             ! Up-wind↓
34 TIMEI 0.1 0.5              ! Explicit↓
35 ↓
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37 $***** OUTPUT REQUESTS *****↓
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39 POINTS 'WG' FILE 'out_wg.loc' ! Wave gauge locations↓
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47 TEST 1 0                    ! error check↓
48 COMPUTE 000000.000 0.02 SEC 001000.000 ! Computation initial dt 0.02 SEC Endtime 001000.000↓
49 STOP↓
50 [EOF]

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SWASH run + matlab (SWASH\_ANA, SWASH\_VIS)

# Case 3: Coupling with SPH (WISE)

- Incident wave analysis (Wavelab) to make .bnd (incident wave time series) file
  - \*without bandpass
- Make .bot (bathymetry) file
- Run and check SWASH result represents physical model
- Modify .bot (bathymetry) file at WG X
- Run SWASH with the new bathymetry
- Pass calculated result to SPH