Chapter 9. Waves over Real Seabeds

We have to consider the followings in real sea:

- viscosity (fluid)
- Roughness, rigidity, permeability (seabed)

Effect of viscosity

Inside the bottom boundary layer,

- Viscosity is important.
- No-slip condition at bottom:

$$u = -\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x}\Big|_{z=-h} = 0$$

Linear laminar Navier-Stokes equation for viscous fluid:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + v \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2} \right)$$
$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial t} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} + v \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial z^2} \right) - g$$

To evaluate relative sizes of various terms, introduce nondimensional variables:

$$x' = kx$$

$$z' = kz$$

$$t' = \sigma t$$

$$p' = \frac{p}{\rho g a}$$

$$(u', w') = \frac{1}{a\sigma}(u, w)$$

By chain rule,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x'} \frac{\partial x'}{\partial x} = k \frac{\partial}{\partial x'}$$
$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(k \frac{\partial}{\partial x'} \right) = k \frac{\partial}{\partial x'} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right) = k \frac{\partial}{\partial x'} \left(k \frac{\partial}{\partial x'} \right) = k^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x'^2}$$
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t'} \frac{\partial t'}{\partial t} = \sigma \frac{\partial}{\partial t'}$$

The *x*-momentum equation becomes

$$a\sigma^{2} \frac{\partial u'}{\partial t'} = -\frac{k}{\rho} \rho ga \frac{\partial p'}{\partial x'} + vk^{2} a\sigma \left(\frac{\partial^{2} u'}{\partial x'^{2}} + \frac{\partial^{2} u'}{\partial z'^{2}} \right)$$
$$\frac{\partial u'}{\partial t'} = -\frac{gk}{\sigma^{2}} \frac{\partial p'}{\partial x'} + \frac{vk^{2}}{\sigma} \left(\frac{\partial^{2} u'}{\partial x'^{2}} + \frac{\partial^{2} u'}{\partial z'^{2}} \right)$$

where

$$\frac{gk}{\sigma^2} = \frac{gk}{C^2 k^2} = \frac{gk^{-1}}{C^2} = \frac{1}{\mathbf{F}^2} = O(1); \qquad \mathbf{F} = \frac{C}{\sqrt{gk^{-1}}}$$
$$\frac{\nu k^2}{\sigma} = \frac{\nu k^2}{Ck} = \frac{\nu k}{C} = \frac{1}{\mathbf{R}} = O(10^{-7} \sim 10^{-8}); \qquad \mathbf{R} = \frac{Ck^{-1}}{\nu} \quad \text{and} \quad \nu = O(10^{-5})$$

which implies that frictional stresses are negligible so that there is a slip boundary condition at the bottom ($u \neq 0$ at z = -h). However, physically, there is no flow at the bottom in the viscous flow. Hence, our argument above must be modified.

Near the bottom, u varies rapidly with z. Therefore, the vertical length scale must be different from the horizontal length scale. Let us take the vertical length scale as the boundary layer thickness, δ , so that

$$z' = \frac{z}{\delta}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z'} \frac{\partial z'}{\partial z} = \frac{1}{\delta} \frac{\partial}{\partial z'}; \qquad \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} = \frac{1}{\delta^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z'^2}$$

Using this scale but the same scales as before for other parameters,

$$a\sigma^{2} \frac{\partial u'}{\partial t'} = -\frac{k}{\rho} \rho ga \frac{\partial p'}{\partial x'} + vk^{2}a\sigma \frac{\partial^{2} u'}{\partial x'^{2}} + v \frac{1}{\delta^{2}}a\sigma \frac{\partial^{2} u'}{\partial z'^{2}}$$
$$\frac{\partial u'}{\partial t'} = -\frac{1}{\mathbf{F}^{2}} \frac{\partial p'}{\partial x'} + \frac{1}{\mathbf{R}} \frac{\partial^{2} u'}{\partial x'^{2}} + \frac{v}{\delta^{2}\sigma} \frac{\partial^{2} u'}{\partial z'^{2}}$$

The second term on the RHS is again very small compared with other terms, but the last term is of O(1) with $\delta \sim \sqrt{v/\sigma}$. Now, the *x*-momentum equation can be approximated to

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2}$$

Assuming $u = u_p + u_r$, where u_p and u_r , respectively, represent the potential and rotational part of the flow, we can separate the equation into

$$\frac{\partial u_p}{\partial t} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x}$$
$$\frac{\partial u_r}{\partial t} = v \frac{\partial^2 u_r}{\partial z^2}$$

each of which has a form of Euler equation and diffusion equation, respectively.

For the potential flow part, we have

and

$$u_{p} = \frac{gak}{\sigma} \frac{\cosh k(h+z)}{\cosh kh} e^{i(kx-\sigma t)}$$

For the rotational part, assume

$$u_r = Af(z)e^{i(kx-\sigma t)}$$

Substituting into the diffusion equation,

$$(-i\sigma Af - vAf'')e^{i(kx-\sigma t)} = 0$$

or

$$f'' + \frac{i\sigma}{v}f = 0$$

Solving this equation and keeping only the term that decays away from bed (or $f(z) \rightarrow 0$ as $(h+z) \rightarrow \infty$),

$$f(z) = Be^{\sqrt{-i\sigma/\nu}(h+z)} = Be^{-(1-i)\sqrt{\sigma/2\nu}(h+z)}$$

Time-out

De Moivre theorem: $z^{1/n} = \sqrt[n]{r}e^{i\theta/n}$



$$\sqrt{-i} = \sqrt[2]{1}e^{i\frac{3\pi}{2}/2} = e^{i\frac{3\pi}{4}} = \cos\frac{3\pi}{4} + i\sin\frac{3\pi}{4} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + i\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(1-i)$$
$$\sqrt{-i\sigma/\nu} = \sqrt{-i}\sqrt{\sigma/\nu} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(1-i)\sqrt{\frac{\sigma}{\nu}} = -(1-i)\sqrt{\frac{\sigma}{2\nu}}$$

Now u_r becomes

$$u_r = A e^{-(1-i)\sqrt{\sigma/2\nu}(h+z)} e^{i(kx-\sigma i)}$$
$$= A e^{-\sqrt{\sigma/2\nu}(h+z)} e^{i(kx-\sigma i+\sqrt{\sigma/2\nu}(h+z))}$$

Using
$$u = u_p + u_r = 0$$
 at $z = -h$,

$$\frac{gak}{\sigma} \frac{1}{\cosh kh} e^{i(kx-\sigma t)} + Ae^{i(kx-\sigma t)} = 0$$

or

$$A = -\frac{gak}{\sigma} \frac{1}{\cosh kh}$$

Therefore,

$$u_r = -\frac{gak}{\sigma} \frac{1}{\cosh kh} e^{-\sqrt{\sigma/2\nu}(h+z)} e^{i(kx-\sigma t + \sqrt{\sigma/2\nu}(h+z))}$$

and

$$u = \frac{gak}{\sigma \cosh kh} \left[\cosh k(h+z) \cos(kx - \sigma t) - e^{-\sqrt{\sigma/2\nu}(h+z)} \cos(kx - \sigma t + \sqrt{\sigma/2\nu}(h+z)) \right]$$

See Figure 9.1 for the horizontal velocity profile near the bed.

The vertical velocity in the bottom boundary layer can be obtained from the continuity equation:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \partial w = -\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} dz$$
$$w(z) = \left(\int_{-h}^{z} \partial w = w\Big|_{-h}^{z} = w(z)\right) = \int_{-h}^{z} \partial w = -\int_{-h}^{z} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} dz = -\int_{0}^{h+z} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} ds = \text{Eq. (9.12)}$$

Bed shear stress

$$\tau_{zx}(z = -h) = \mu \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial x}\right) \cong \mu \left(\frac{\partial u_p}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial u_r}{\partial z}\right)$$
$$= \frac{\mu gak}{\sigma \cosh kh} \left(\sqrt{\frac{\sigma}{2\nu}} - i\sqrt{\frac{\sigma}{2\nu}}\right) e^{i(kx-\sigma i)}$$
$$= \frac{\mu gak}{\sigma \cosh kh} \sqrt{2} \sqrt{\frac{\sigma}{2\nu}} e^{i(kx-\sigma i-\pi/4)}$$
$$= \frac{\rho gak}{\cosh kh} \sqrt{\frac{\nu}{\sigma}} e^{i(kx-\sigma i-\pi/4)}$$

where the relationship, $A(1-i) = \sqrt{2}Ae^{-i\pi/4}$, was used by De Moivre theorem. In terms of flow velocity, we have

$$\left(\tau_{zx}(z=-h)\right)_{\max} = \left(\frac{\rho f}{8}u_{b}|u_{b}|\right)_{\max} = \left(\frac{\rho f_{w}}{2}u_{b}|u_{b}|\right)_{\max} = \left(\frac{\rho gak}{\cosh kh}\sqrt{\frac{\nu}{\sigma}}e^{i(kx-\sigma t-\pi/4)}\right)_{\max}$$

where u_b = potential flow velocity outside boundary layer. Solving for the friction coefficient, f,

$$f = \frac{8}{u_{b_{\max}}^2} \frac{gak}{\cosh kh} \sqrt{\frac{\nu}{\sigma}} = \frac{8}{u_{b_{\max}}^2} \frac{gak\sigma}{\sigma \cosh kh} \sqrt{\frac{\nu}{\sigma}} = \frac{8}{\sqrt{u_{b_{\max}}^2 / \sigma\nu}} = \frac{8}{\sqrt{u_{b_{\max}} \zeta_b / \nu}}$$

$$f = \frac{8}{\mathbf{R}_b^{1/2}}; \quad \mathbf{R}_b = u_{b_{\text{max}}} \zeta_b / v = \zeta_b^2 \sigma / v < 10^3 \sim 10^4 \text{ for smooth bottom}$$

See Figure 9.2 of textbook for linear relation between $\log f$ and $\log \mathbf{R}_b$ for laminar flow.

Energy dissipation

Mean rate of energy dissipation is given by (Fluid Dynamics, Batchelor)

$$\varepsilon_{D} = \rho v \overline{\int_{0}^{h} \left\{ 2 \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)^{2} + \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \right)^{2} + 2 \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \right)^{2} \right\}} d(h+z)$$
$$\cong \rho v \overline{\int_{0}^{h} \left(\frac{\partial u_{r}}{\partial z} \right)^{2}} d(h+z)$$
$$= \frac{v k \sqrt{\sigma/2v}}{\sinh 2kh} E$$

$$\varepsilon_D = -\frac{\partial (EC_g)}{\partial x} = AE$$
 where $A = vk\sqrt{\sigma/2v} / \sinh 2kh$.

Consider waves on a flat bottom. Since $C_g \neq f(x)$, we have

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial x} = -\frac{A}{C_g} E$$

$$E = E_0 e^{-(A/C_g)x}$$

$$a^2 = a_0^2 e^{-(A/C_g)x}$$

$$a = a_0 e^{-(A/2C_g)x} = a_0 e^{-\left(\frac{vk\sqrt{\sigma/2v}}{2C_g\sinh 2kh}\right)x}$$

or

which states that the wave amplitude decays exponentially with x.

Turbulent boundary layer

Large waves + Rough bottom → Turbulent boundary layer (most cases in nature) In turbulent boundary layer,

$$f = f(k_e / \zeta_b)$$

as shown in Figure 9.2 and where

$$k_{e} = 2d_{90}$$

considering only skin friction without form drag due to ripples.

The bed shear stress is given by

$$\tau_{zx}(z=-h) = \frac{\rho f}{8} u_b |u_b| = \frac{\rho f}{8} u_m^2 \cos \sigma t |\cos \sigma t|$$

where

$$u_b = u_m \cos \sigma t$$
 with $u_m = \frac{gak}{\sigma \cosh kh} = \frac{a\sigma}{\sinh kh}$

Note that the time average of shear stress is zero. The mean rate of energy dissipation is not zero and is given by

$$\varepsilon_D = \overline{\tau_{zx}(-h)u_b} = \frac{\overline{\rho f}}{8} u_b^2 |u_b| = \frac{\rho f}{8} u_m^3 \frac{1}{T/4} \int_0^{T/4} \cos^3 \sigma t dt$$
$$= \frac{\rho f}{8} u_m^3 \frac{1}{\sigma(T/4)} \int_0^{T/4} \sigma \cos^3 \sigma t dt$$
$$= \frac{\rho f}{8} u_m^3 \frac{4}{2\pi} \frac{2}{3} = \frac{\rho f}{6\pi} u_m^3$$
$$= \frac{\rho f}{6\pi} \left(\frac{a\sigma}{\sinh kh}\right)^3$$

Energy loss with distance

$$\frac{d(EC_g)}{dx} = -\varepsilon_D = -\frac{\rho f}{6\pi} \frac{a^3 \sigma^3}{\sinh^3 kh}$$

On flat bottom,

$$\frac{1}{2}\rho g C_g \frac{da^2}{dx} = -\frac{\rho f}{6\pi} \frac{a^3 \sigma^3}{\sinh^3 kh}$$
$$ag C_g \frac{da}{dx} = -\frac{f}{6\pi} \frac{a^3 \sigma^3}{\sinh^3 kh}$$
$$\frac{da}{a^2} = -\frac{f \sigma^3}{6\pi g C_g \sinh^3 kh} dx$$

Defining $A = f\sigma^3 / (6\pi g C_g \sinh^3 kh)$ and integration give

$$-\frac{1}{a} = -Ax + C_1$$

Using the boundary condition $a = a_0$ at x = 0, we get $C_1 = -1/a_0$. Therefore

$$-\frac{1}{a} = -Ax - \frac{1}{a_0}$$

Finally we have

$$a = \frac{a_0}{1 + Aa_0 x}$$

which is not exponential decay with x. For small Aa_0 , we have

 $a \cong a_0(1 - Aa_0x) \cong a_0e^{-Aa_0x} \leftarrow$ exponential decay

Waves over viscous mud bottom



At the bottom, we need the kinematic and dynamic matching conditions:

$$\frac{\partial \chi}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial \phi_2}{\partial z} = -\frac{\partial \phi_1}{\partial z} \quad \text{on} \quad z = -h + \chi$$
$$p_1 = p_2 \quad \text{on} \quad z = -h + \chi$$

In Region 1, we can assume the solution as

$$\phi_1 = (A \cosh k(h+z) + B \sinh k(h+z))e^{i(kx-\sigma t)}$$

where the second term is included because the vertical velocity is no longer zero at the bottom. Using LDFSBC,

$$a_0 = -\frac{i\sigma}{g}(A\cosh kh + B\sinh kh)$$

Using LCFSBC,

$$k(A\sinh kh + B\cosh kh) - \frac{\sigma^2}{g}(A\cosh kh + B\sinh kh) = 0$$

Multiplying $g / \cosh kh$ on both sides,

$$A(gk \tanh kh - \sigma^2) + B(gk - \sigma^2 \tanh kh) = 0$$

From LDFSBC,

$$A = \frac{-\frac{ga_0}{i\sigma} - B\sinh kh}{\cosh kh} = \frac{iga_0}{\sigma \cosh kh} - B\tanh kh$$

Plug in LCFSBC,

$$(gk - \sigma^2 \tanh kh)B = \left(\frac{-iga_0}{\sigma \cosh kh} + B \tanh kh\right)(gk \tanh kh - \sigma^2)$$

 $B(gk - \sigma^{2} \tanh kh - gk \tanh^{2} kh + \sigma^{2} \tanh kh) = \frac{iga_{0}}{\sigma \cosh kh} (\sigma^{2} - gk \tanh kh)$

$$Bgk \frac{1}{\cosh^2 kh} = \frac{iga_0}{\sigma \cosh kh} (\sigma^2 - gk \tanh kh)$$
$$B = \frac{\cosh^2 kh}{gk} \frac{iga_0}{\sigma \cosh kh} (\sigma^2 - gk \tanh kh) = \frac{ia_0 \cosh kh}{\sigma k} (\sigma^2 - gk \tanh kh)$$

Now,

$$A = \frac{iga_0}{\sigma\cosh kh} - \frac{ia_0\cosh kh}{\sigma k} (\sigma^2 - gk \tanh kh) \frac{\sinh kh}{\cosh kh}$$
$$= \frac{ia_0\cosh kh}{\sigma k} \left(\frac{gk}{\cosh^2 kh} - \sigma^2 \tanh kh + gk \tanh^2 kh\right)$$
$$= \frac{ia_0\cosh kh}{\sigma k} (gk - \sigma^2 \tanh kh)$$

Note: On rigid bottom, B = 0 or $\sigma^2 = gk \tanh kh$.

In Region 2, assuming infinite depth,

$$\phi_2 = de^{k(h+z)}e^{i(kx-\sigma t)}$$

which indicates exponential decay as $h + z \rightarrow -\infty$. The horizontal velocity is given by

$$u_{2} = u_{2_{p}} + u_{2_{r}} = -\frac{\partial \phi_{2}}{\partial x} + u_{2_{r}}$$

where u_{2_r} is the boundary layer correction given by (cf. Eq. 9.9)

$$u_{2_r} = f e^{(1-i)\sqrt{\sigma/2v_2}(h+z)} e^{i(kx-\sigma t)}$$

Assuming w_r is small and using the linearized kinematic matching condition at the boundary:

$$\frac{\partial \chi}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial \phi_2}{\partial z} = -\frac{\partial \phi_1}{\partial z}$$
 on $z = -h$

$$-i\sigma m_0 = -dk = -Bk$$

$$\therefore d = B$$
, $m_0 = \frac{Bk}{i\sigma} = -\frac{iBk}{\sigma} = -\frac{idk}{\sigma}$

Applying dynamic matching condition:

$$p_1 = p_2 \quad \text{on} \quad z = -h + \chi$$

$$\rho_1 \frac{\partial \phi_1}{\partial t} - \rho_1 gz = \rho_2 \frac{\partial \phi_2}{\partial t} + \rho_1 gh + \rho_2 g(-z - h) \quad \text{on} \quad z = -h + \chi$$

where the last two terms represent hydrostatic pressures due to water and mud, respectively.



Linearizing,

$$\rho_1 \frac{\partial \phi_1}{\partial t} - \rho_1 g \chi = \rho_2 \frac{\partial \phi_2}{\partial t} - \rho_2 g \chi$$
 on $z = -h$

$$-i\sigma\rho_1 A - \rho_1 gm_0 = -i\sigma\rho_2 d - \rho_2 gm_0$$

$$i\sigma\rho_1 A = i\sigma\rho_2 B + (\rho_2 - \rho_1)g\left(-\frac{iBk}{\sigma}\right)$$
$$A = \frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1} B - \frac{(\rho_2 - \rho_1)gkB}{\rho_1\sigma^2} = B\left[\frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1}\left(1 - \frac{gk}{\sigma^2}\right) + \frac{gk}{\sigma^2}\right]$$

Now,

$$\frac{A}{B} = \frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1} \left(1 - \frac{gk}{\sigma^2} \right) + \frac{gk}{\sigma^2} = \frac{gk - \sigma^2 \tanh kh}{\sigma^2 - gk \tanh kh}$$

where Eqs. (9.51) and (9.52) were used. Rearranging gives the dispersion relationship:

$$\frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1} \left(1 - \frac{gk}{\sigma^2}\right) (\sigma^2 - gk \tanh kh) + \frac{gk}{\sigma^2} (\sigma^2 - gk \tanh kh) = gk - \sigma^2 \tanh kh$$
$$\frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1} (\sigma^2 - gk) (\sigma^2 - gk \tanh kh) + gk(\sigma^2 - gk \tanh kh) = gk\sigma^2 - \sigma^4 \tanh kh$$
$$\frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1} (1 + \tanh kh) \sigma^4 - \frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1} gk(1 + \tanh kh) \sigma^2 + \left(\frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1} - 1\right) (gk)^2 \tanh kh = 0$$
$$(\sigma^2 - gk) \left[\sigma^2 \left(\frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1} + \tanh kh\right) - \left(\frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1} - 1\right) gk \tanh kh\right] = 0$$

We have two possible cases:

$$\sigma^2 = gk \leftarrow \text{surface wave case}$$

or

$$\sigma^{2} = \frac{gk\left(\frac{\rho_{2}}{\rho_{1}} - 1\right) \tanh kh}{\frac{\rho_{2}}{\rho_{1}} + \tanh kh} \quad \leftarrow \text{ interfacial wave case}$$

Using Eqs. (9.52) and (9.59),

$$\frac{a_0}{m_0} = \frac{\sigma kB}{i \cosh kh(\sigma^2 - gk \tanh kh) \left(-\frac{iBk}{\sigma}\right)}$$
$$= \frac{\sigma^2}{\cosh kh(\sigma^2 - gk \tanh kh)}$$

For surface wave case,

$$\frac{a_0}{m_0} = \frac{gk}{gk\cosh kh(1-\tanh kh)} = \frac{1}{\cosh kh - \sinh kh} = e^{kh} > 1$$

The free surface and interface are in phase, and the free surface amplitude is greater than the interface amplitude.



For interfacial wave case,

$$\frac{a_0}{m_0} = -\left(\frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1} - 1\right)e^{-kh}$$

 $|a_0 / m_0|$ depends of ρ_2 / ρ_1 and $kh \cdot |a_0 / m_0| < 1$ if $\rho_2 / \rho_1 < 2$ for kh = 0. ρ_2 / ρ_1 can be larger for larger kh to satisfy $|a_0 / m_0| < 1$. Also the free surface and interface are 180° out of phase because $a_0 / m_0 < 0$ always.



Because the free surface and interface are 180° out of phase, between them a quasibottom exists where there is no vertical flow. If we denote its vertical distance from the

SWL as $|z_0|$ so that

$$\frac{\partial \phi_1}{\partial z} = 0 \qquad \text{on} \quad z = -|z_0|$$

the dispersion relationship becomes

$$\sigma^2 = gk \tanh k | z_0$$

Waves over rigid, porous bottom



At the bottom, we need the kinematic and dynamic matching conditions:

$$-\frac{\partial \phi_1}{\partial z} = w_2 \quad \text{on} \quad z = -h$$
$$p_1 = p_2 \quad \text{on} \quad z = -h$$

In the porous medium, we use the equation for unsteady Darcy's flow:

$$\frac{1}{n}\frac{\partial \vec{u}_2}{\partial t} = -\frac{v}{K}\vec{u}_2 - \frac{1}{\rho}\nabla p_2$$

where n = porosity and K = permeability constant. Using $v = \mu / \rho$, the above equation can be written as

$$\frac{K}{vn}\frac{\partial \vec{u}_2}{\partial t} = -\vec{u}_2 - \frac{K}{\mu}\nabla p_2$$

Since $\vec{u}_2 \propto e^{i(kx-\sigma t)}$, the above equation becomes

$$-\frac{i}{n}\frac{\sigma K}{v}\vec{u}_2 = -\vec{u}_2 - \frac{K}{\mu}\nabla p_2$$

 $K \sim 10^{-9} \sim 10^{-12}$ m² and $\nu \sim 10^{-6}$ m²/s. Therefore, $(\sigma K / \nu) \sim 10^{-3} \sim 10^{-6}$. Thus, the preceding equation can be approximated to

$$\vec{u}_2 = -\frac{K}{\mu} \nabla p_2$$

Using the continuity equation, $\nabla \cdot \vec{u}_2 = 0$, we get

$$\nabla^2 p_2 = 0$$

which is the governing equation in the porous medium.

As with the waves over a mud bottom, assume the solutions as

$$\phi_1 = (A \cosh k(h+z) + B \sinh k(h+z))e^{i(kx-\sigma t)}$$

and

$$p_2 = De^{k(h+z)}e^{i(kx-\sigma t)}$$

which give non-zero vertical velocity at the bottom and exponential decay of pore pressure as $h + z \rightarrow -\infty$.

As done for viscous mud bottom, LKFSBC and LDFSBC give

$$A = \frac{ia_0 \cosh kh}{\sigma k} (gk - \sigma^2 \tanh kh)$$
$$B = \frac{ia_0 \cosh kh}{\sigma k} (\sigma^2 - gk \tanh kh)$$

Dynamic matching condition at the bottom:

$$\rho \frac{\partial \phi_1}{\partial t} = p_2 \quad \text{on} \quad z = -h$$

or

$$-i\sigma\rho A = D$$
$$A = \frac{D}{-i\rho\sigma}$$

Kinematic matching condition at the bottom:

$$-\frac{\partial \phi_1}{\partial z} = -\frac{K}{\mu} \frac{\partial p_2}{\partial z}$$
 on $z = -h$

or

$$-Bk = -\frac{K}{\mu}kD$$
$$B = \frac{K}{\mu}D$$

Now

$$\frac{A}{B} = \frac{1}{-i\rho\sigma\left(\frac{K}{\mu}\right)} = \frac{i}{\frac{K\sigma}{v}} = \frac{gk - \sigma^2 \tanh kh}{\sigma^2 - gk \tanh kh}$$

which gives

$$i(\sigma^2 - gk \tanh kh) = \frac{K\sigma}{V}(gk - \sigma^2 \tanh kh)$$

The LHS and RHS are imaginary and real, respectively. Therefore we get

$$\sigma^2 = gk \tanh kh$$
 and $\sigma^2 = gk \coth kh$

which are in conflict. To satisfy the dispersion relationship, the wave number should be complex:

$$k = k_r + ik_i$$

The real part is related to the wave length, while the imaginary part determines the spatial damping:

$$\eta = a_0 e^{i(kx-\sigma t)} = a_0 e^{-k_i x} e^{i(k_r x - \sigma t)}$$

In intermediate depth, where we can assume that $K\sigma/\nu \ll 1$ and $k_ih \ll 1$ (or no significant damping), Reid and Kajiura (1957) obtained

$$\sigma^{2} \cong gk_{r} \tanh k_{r}h$$
$$k_{i} \cong \frac{2k_{r}(K\sigma/\nu)}{2k_{r}h + \sinh 2k_{r}h}$$

which is shown in Figure 9.6 of textbook.

In shallow water where $|kh| < \pi/10$, k_i and k_r are given by Eqs. (9.95) and (9.96), respectively.