Wet and Dry Algorithm

Core Components and Initialization

The WetAndDryAlgo class, implemented in C#, manages wetting and drying processes in a 2D estuarine circulation model, enabling simulation of areas that transition between inundated (wet) and exposed (dry) states. The class is initialized with the following parameters:

- Bathymetry: $h_b(i, j)$ (m, positive downward)
- Minimum depth threshold: D_{\min} (m)
- Grid dimensions: n_x , n_y
- Estuary dimensions: length L, width W
- Spatial steps: $\Delta x = L/(n_x 1)$, $\Delta y = W/(n_y 1)$

The constructor initializes a boolean array isWet to track wet/dry status and calls InitializeWetDry with a zero water level to set initial conditions.

Functioning Logic

The class provides methods to handle wetting and drying:

- 1. InitializeWetDry: Sets the initial wet/dry status based on total water depth.
- 2. ApplyWetDry: Updates wet/dry status, enforces zero velocities and salinity in dry cells, adjusts fluxes at wet/dry interfaces, and applies mass conservation corrections.
- 3. GetWetDryStatus: Returns the current wet/dry status array.

Initialization

The InitializeWetDry method determines the wet/dry status for each grid cell:

$$isWet[i,j] = \eta_{i,j} + h_b(i,j) \ge D_{min}$$
(1)

where $\eta_{i,j}$ is the water level (positive upward) and $h_b(i,j)$ is the bathymetry (positive downward). A cell is wet if the total depth $\eta_{i,j} + h_b(i,j)$ exceeds the minimum depth threshold D_{\min} .

Wet/Dry Application

The ApplyWetDry method updates the simulation state:

1. Wet/Dry Status Update: For each cell:

$$isWet[i,j] = \eta_{i,j} + h_b(i,j) \ge D_{min}$$
 (2)

If a cell is dry (isWet[i, j] = false):

$$u_{i,j} = 0, \quad v_{i,j} = 0$$
 (3)

$$\eta_{i,j} = -h_b(i,j)$$
 (water level set to bed level) (4)

$$S_{i,j} = 0$$
 (no salinity in dry cells) (5)

- 2. Flux Adjustment: At wet/dry interfaces, velocities are modified to prevent unphysical flow:
 - If cell (i+1,j) is dry: $u_{i,j} = \min(u_{i,j},0)$ (prevent flow into dry cell).
 - If cell (i-1,j) is dry: $u_{i-1,j} = \max(u_{i-1,j},0)$ (prevent flow from dry cell).
 - Similarly for v in the y-direction.
- 3. Mass Conservation Correction: For wet cells, water level is adjusted based on net flux:

$$fluxIn = \begin{cases} u_{i-1,j}(\eta_{i-1,j} + h_b(i-1,j))\Delta y\Delta t & \text{if isWet}[i-1,j] \\ v_{i,j-1}(\eta_{i,j-1} + h_b(i,j-1))\Delta x\Delta t & \text{if isWet}[i,j-1] \end{cases}$$
(6)

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$$\begin{cases} u_{i,j}(\eta_{i,j} + h_b(i,j))\Delta y\Delta t & \text{if isWet}[i+1,j] \\ v_{i,j}(\eta_{i,j} + h_b(i,j))\Delta x\Delta t & \text{if isWet}[i,j+1] \end{cases}$$
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$$\eta_{i,j} \leftarrow \eta_{i,j} + \frac{\text{fluxIn} - \text{fluxOut}}{\Delta x \Delta y}$$
(8)
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Physical and Mathematical Models

The WetAndDryAlgo class employs the following models:

Wet/Dry Condition:

$$isWet[i,j] = \eta_{i,j} + h_b(i,j) \ge D_{min}$$
(10)

Dry Cell Conditions:

$$u_{i,j} = v_{i,j} = S_{i,j} = 0, \quad \eta_{i,j} = -h_b(i,j)$$
 (11)

Flux Adjustment:

$$u_{i,j} = \min(u_{i,j}, 0) \quad \text{if } \neg \text{isWet}[i+1, j]$$

$$(12)$$

$$u_{i-1,j} = \max(u_{i-1,j}, 0)$$
 if $\neg isWet[i-1, j]$ (13)

$$v_{i,j} = \min(v_{i,j}, 0) \quad \text{if } \neg \text{isWet}[i, j+1]$$
(14)

$$v_{i,j-1} = \max(v_{i,j-1}, 0)$$
 if $\neg isWet[i, j-1]$ (15)

• Mass Conservation:

$$\eta_{i,j} \leftarrow \eta_{i,j} + \frac{\sum \text{fluxIn} - \sum \text{fluxOut}}{\Delta x \Delta y}, \quad \eta_{i,j} \ge -h_b(i,j)$$
(16)

These models ensure physically consistent transitions between wet and dry states, prevent unphysical flows, and maintain mass conservation in the 2D shallow water model.