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E-mail: seyfeddine.benabid@univ-biskra.dz**Keywords:** energy dissipation, non-rectangular stilling basin, hydraulic jump, dissipative elements**Abstract**

Controlling hydraulic jump is critical for maximizing energy dissipation, minimizing erosion, and improving the performance of stilling basins. This study presents the first comprehensive experimental investigation of the combined effects of transverse bed slope and surface roughness on hydraulic jump characteristics, energy dissipation, and free-surface flow dynamics in an asymmetrical trapezoidal channel. An innovative stilling basin configuration was implemented, featuring a transversely inclined rough bed ($\theta = 17^\circ$) with vertical sidewalls and three distinct roughness heights (14.32, 24.47, and 30.76 mm), tested across a wide range of Froude numbers ($3.3 < F_{r1} < 9.4$). The experimental setup allowed the exploration of previously unexplored three-dimensional flow structures, revealing pronounced secondary turbulence that contributed significantly to energy dissipation. The results demonstrated that increasing bed slope and roughness substantially altered hydraulic jump behavior, reducing the sequent depth ratio by approximately 31.16% and the secondary depth by nearly 18.6% compared to classical jump. Additionally, the roller length decreased by an average of 39.11%, while greater slope and roughness height increased relative energy dissipation by 9.53% compared to a classical jump. Beyond the experimental work, new empirical relationships were developed to predict key hydraulic jump parameters, achieving error margins of $\pm 10\%$ to $\pm 20\%$ and closely matching the observed data, offering practical guidance for the design of efficient and resilient stilling basins.

List of symbols

g	Acceleration due to gravity [m/s^2]. V_1 Average velocity in section 1 [m/s].
k_s	Relative roughness height [—]. k_e Roughness element height [mm].
E_1	Charge in the first section of the jump [m]. b Channel width [m].
E_2	Charge in the last section of the jump [m]. Q Flow discharge [m^3/s].
d_1	Average depth of upstream sequences [m]. A_2 Second section of water [m^2].
d_2	Average depth of downstream sequences [m]. A_1 First section of the water [m^2].
D	Difference in transverse bed elevation [m]. f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4, f_5 Functional symbol.
ρ	Water density [kg/m^3]. μ Dynamic viscosity [$N.s/m^2$]
E_L	Energy loss associated with hydraulic jump [m]. x_1 The jump toe position [m].