

1D ADCIRC Derivation

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1 Continuity Equation

Start with the vertically integrated continuity equation:

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(UH) = 0 \quad (1)$$

where

$$H \equiv \zeta + h$$

ζ = free surface departure from the geoid

h = bathymetric depth (distance from the geoid to the bottom)

u = vertically varying velocity in the x-direction

$$U = \frac{1}{H} \int_{-h}^{\zeta} u dz = \text{depth-averaged velocity in the x-direction}$$

Take $\partial/\partial t$ of (2):

$$\frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial t^2} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial}{\partial t}(UH) = 0 \quad (2)$$

Add (2) to (1) multiplied by the parameter τ_0 , which may be variable in space:

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial t^2} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (UH) + \tau_0 \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (UH) \right) &= 0 \\
\frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial t^2} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (UH) + \tau_0 \frac{\partial H}{\partial t} + \tau_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (UH) &= 0 \\
\frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial t^2} + \tau_0 \frac{\partial H}{\partial t} + \tau_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (UH) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (UH) &= 0
\end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

Now, define \tilde{J}_x :

$$\tilde{J}_x \equiv \tau_0 (UH) + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (UH) \tag{4}$$

$$\tilde{J}_x = \tau_0 Q + \frac{\partial Q}{\partial t} \tag{5}$$

where

$$Q = UH$$

Recall that τ_0 , U , and H are all variable in x and take $\partial/\partial x$ of (5), noting the use of the product rule:

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial \tilde{J}_x}{\partial x} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[\tau_0 Q + \frac{\partial Q}{\partial t} \right] \\
&= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\tau_0 Q) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} Q \\
&= Q \frac{\partial \tau_0}{\partial x} + \tau_0 \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} Q \\
&= \tau_0 \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} Q + Q \frac{\partial \tau_0}{\partial x} \\
&= \tau_0 \frac{\partial(UH)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (UH) + UH \frac{\partial \tau_0}{\partial x} \tag{6}
\end{aligned}$$

Now, returning to equation (3), let's add zero to it in the form of:

$$\begin{aligned}
&UH \frac{\partial \tau_0}{\partial x} - UH \frac{\partial \tau_0}{\partial x} = 0 \\
\frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial t^2} + \tau_0 \frac{\partial H}{\partial t} + \underbrace{\tau_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (UH) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (UH) + UH \frac{\partial \tau_0}{\partial x} - UH \frac{\partial \tau_0}{\partial x}}_{\text{Note that this is equivalent to (6)}} = 0
\end{aligned}$$

and substituting (6) in gives us:

$$\frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial t^2} + \tau_0 \frac{\partial H}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \tilde{J}_x}{\partial x} - UH \frac{\partial \tau_0}{\partial x} = 0 \tag{7}$$

If we assume that bathymetric depth is constant, then

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial \zeta}{\partial t}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial t^2} = \frac{\partial^2 \zeta}{\partial t^2}$$

and (7) can be rewritten as

$$\frac{\partial^2 \zeta}{\partial t^2} + \tau_0 \frac{\partial \zeta}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \tilde{J}_x}{\partial x} - UH \frac{\partial \tau_0}{\partial x} = 0 \quad (8)$$