We consider the classical algorithm in Clawpack with the minmod TVD limiter and solve the shallow water equations:

$$\partial_t h + \partial_x (h v_x) + \partial_y (h v_y) = 0, \tag{1a}$$

$$\partial_t(hv_x) + \partial_x(hv_x^2 + \frac{1}{2}gh^2) + \partial_y(hv_xv_y) = -gh\partial_x b, \tag{1b}$$

$$\partial_t(hv_y) + \partial_x(hv_xv_y) + \partial_y(hv_y^2 + \frac{1}{2}gh^2) = -gh\partial_y b, \tag{1c}$$

where h is the water height,  $hv = (hv_x, hv_y)$  the momentum, and

$$b(x,y) = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4}\sin(2\pi y) \tag{2}$$

is the variable bathymetry. The domain is given by  $\Omega = [0, 100] \times [-0.5, 0.5]$ .

## Generation of diffractors

To generate a diffraction we start with the following initial condition:

$$h(x,y) + b(x,y) = \frac{3}{4} + 0.05 \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{4}\right), \quad hu(x,y) = hv(x,y) = 0$$

and impose solid wall boundary conditions at the left, bottom and top boundaries. The right boundary is set to outflow. At t = 25, we change the left and right boundaries to periodic boundary conditions. We compute the solution up to t = 340. The solution is a train of diffractors, we consider the largest one. To produce the diffractor, proceed as follows:

- Generation of the diffracton. Run create\_diffracton/run\_sw\_eqns.py, which solves (??) up to a final time t = 340. The resolution is given by  $\Delta x = \Delta y = 1/512$ .
- Isolation of the diffracton. Inside cut\_diffracton, create a folder called \_output and copy create\_diffracton/\_output/\*0340\* to the newly created folder. Finally, run cut\_diffracton/cut.py. The isolated diffracton will be placed in cut\_diffracton/\_output\_cut\_wave. The diffracton is isolated based on the water elevation h + b. We locate the peak of the wave and move to the left and right until  $h + b \eta^*$  is smaller than  $10^{-12}$ . Here  $\eta^* = 0.75$  is the mean water level.
- Run cut\_diffracton/export\_diffracton.py to generate an h5 file with the isolated diffracton.

After following these steps, the data (in a h5 file) will be placed in cut\_diffracton/. We place the diffracton in a smaller domain given by  $\Omega = [0, 20]$ . We use this diffracton as the initial condition for the pseudospectral simulations in the manuscript.

## Measurement of the speed of diffractors

We need to estimate the speed of the diffracton. We do that using  $\Delta x = \Delta y = 1/512$  and run the simulations in the modified version of Clawpack in https://github.com/manuel-quezada/pyclaw/tree/compute\_L1\_error\_wrt\_init\_cond. We proceed as follows:

- Inside propagate\_cut\_diffracton, create a folder called \_output\_refn0 and copy cut\_diffracton/\_output\_small\_domain/\*refn0\* into it.
- Change the name of the copied files from 'init\_refn0...' to 'claw...'.
- Run propagate\_cut\_diffracton/prop\_diffracton.py. Doing so will create a file called 'file.csv'.
- Run propagate\_cut\_diffracton/measure\_speed.py to estimate the speed of the diffracton.