

Adiabatic Theory and Wave Action Density

⇒ Quasiparticle Picture

c.f. : Whitham, relevant chapter posted

Wave Adiabatic Theory / Wave Kinetics

- frequently encountered ^{continuum} problems with slowly varying parameters \Rightarrow adiabatic theory needed

\Rightarrow

- wave kinetic equation (consequence of Liouville Thm.)

$$\partial_t N + (\underline{v}_g + \underline{v}) \cdot \nabla N = - \partial_x (\omega + \underline{k} \cdot \underline{v}) \cdot \partial_{\underline{u}} N$$

$= \mathcal{L}(N)$; obvious analogy to Boltzmann Eqn.

$N \equiv \Sigma / \omega_{\underline{k}} \equiv$ wave action density / wave quantum density
 (could guess by analogy)

\downarrow
 wave energy density $\Sigma \equiv \frac{\partial}{\partial \omega} (\omega G_{\underline{u}}) \Big|_{\omega_{\underline{k}}} \frac{|E_{\underline{u}}|^2}{8\pi}$, for e.s. waves

$N \Leftrightarrow \rho$

Characteristics:

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial \underline{k}} \hat{k} + \underline{v}, \quad \frac{d\underline{k}}{dt} = - \frac{\partial}{\partial \underline{x}} (\omega + \underline{k} \cdot \underline{v})$$

refraction by shear
 \downarrow

- need:

refraction by parametric variation

$\omega \ll \frac{1}{\lambda} \frac{d\lambda}{dt}$ $\lambda \equiv$ parameter

space and time scale separation

$\frac{1}{N} (\underline{v}_g \cdot \nabla N) \ll \omega \quad \Rightarrow \quad \Sigma \cdot \underline{v}_g \ll \omega$

1a.

Transport Eqn = ΦM

$$\frac{\partial n}{\partial t} + v_{gr} \cdot \nabla n - \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial x} \cdot \nabla_{\frac{\hbar k}{m}} n = C(n)$$

$$\frac{\partial n}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \hbar \omega}{\partial \hbar k} \cdot \nabla n - \frac{\partial \hbar \omega}{\partial x} \cdot \nabla_{\frac{\hbar k}{m}} n = C(n)$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[\frac{\partial n}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial p} \cdot \nabla n - \frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial x} \cdot \nabla_{\frac{p}{\hbar}} n = C(n) \right]$$

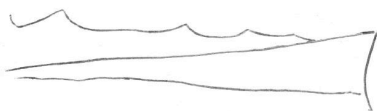
Used for:

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon} \frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial x} < 1 / \lambda_{DB}$$

$$\lambda_{DB} = \hbar / \mu$$

CCN) → interactions with comparable scale.
ignore here.

Examples:



- beach
- linear theory of Langmuir turbulence
i.e. when will phonon grow?
- QL theory of Langmuir turbulence
i.e. determine evolution of plasmas
energy → net impact?
- drift waves and sheared flow.
- transport equations, super-fluids

$$N = \frac{\Sigma}{\omega}$$

→ dynamics?

Fundamentals of wave kinetics

→ where does conservation of action emerge from?

→ answer:

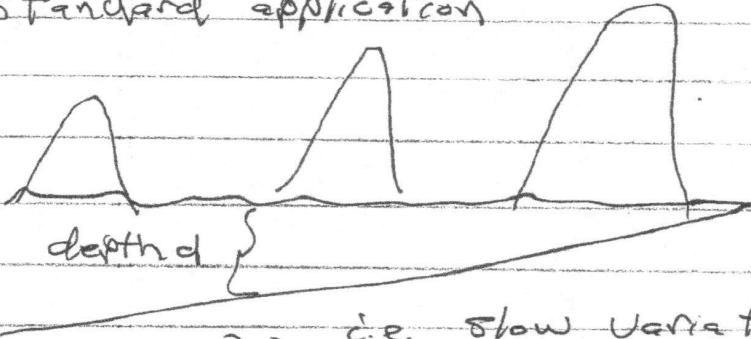
Phase symmetry, underlies
 of wave kinetic
 wave kinetics

→ How show, beyond approach by analogy?

→ approach via variational principle.

c.f. Whitham: "Linear and Nonlinear Waves"
Chapt. 14.

→ standard application



beach ↔

{ waves in shallow water

→ i.e. slow variation

$$\frac{1}{d} \frac{d}{dx} d(x) \ll k$$

- influx of wave energy

- depth $H(x, y)$ decreases

→ wave amplification, breaking.

Derivation

Consider a system, [like cited ^{study} MHD] acoustics which can be described in terms of displacement $\underline{\xi}$; _{phase}

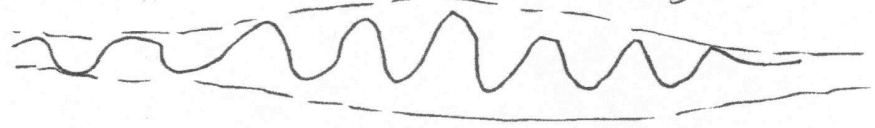
d.e. $\underline{\xi} = \text{re} \{ A e^{i\phi} + A^* e^{-i\phi} \}$
d.e. acoustics!

displacement can be viewed as excitation level

then wave equation arises from:

$$\delta S = \delta \int dt \int dx \mathcal{L}(\underline{\xi})$$

-Envision a wave train, with slowly varying amplitude so eikonal approach optimal
d.e. fast variation in phase, aka WKB:



$$S' = \int dt \int dx \mathcal{L}(\omega, \underline{k}, \underline{a})$$

_{amplitude}

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \underline{k} = \underline{\nabla} \phi \\ \omega = -\dot{\phi} \end{array} \right.$$

$$= \int dt \int dx \mathcal{L}(-\dot{\phi}, \nabla \phi, \underline{a})$$

-neglect all corrections to eikonal theory. (no higher order WKB).

→ here L corresponds to period-averaged Lagrangian

- ϕ undetermined to const → phase symmetry!

∴ to vary:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \delta S / \delta a &= 0 \\ \delta S / \delta \phi &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{2 \text{ eqns}}}$$

Now, in linear theory:

$$[G(\omega, k) \Rightarrow G]$$

- $\mathcal{L} = G(\omega, k) a^2$
continuum, c.c. acoustics

$$\begin{cases} G(\omega, k) = 0 & \text{disp} \\ \omega^2 = k^2 c_s^2 & \text{disp} \end{cases}$$

c.c. for ~~XXXX~~, as in wave section:

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \rho \underline{\underline{\dot{\Sigma}}}^2 - \frac{1}{2} \rho \left[\underline{\underline{D}}(k, \omega, t) \right]^2 \underline{\underline{\Sigma}}^2$$

concrete form of Lagrangian

↳ eikonal form of stiffness matrix
 (→ potential energy)

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{\Sigma}} \cdot \underline{\underline{D}} \cdot \underline{\underline{\Sigma}}$$

if: $\underline{\underline{\Sigma}} = \underline{\underline{A}} e^{i\phi} + \underline{\underline{A}}^* e^{-i\phi}$

$\underline{\underline{D}}(k, \omega, t)$, as for linear wave

$$\underline{\underline{c}} \quad \mathcal{G}(\omega, \underline{k}) = \frac{1}{2} \rho \left[\left(\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} \right)^2 - \left[\rho(\nabla \phi, \underline{x}, t) \right]^2 \right]$$

Now, 1) $\delta \mathcal{S} / \delta a = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{G}(\omega, \underline{k}) = 0 \quad \rightarrow \text{dispn. relation}$$

but

$$\mathcal{G}(\omega, \underline{k}) = \rho \left(\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} \right)^2 - \left[\rho(\nabla \phi, \underline{x}, t) \right]^2$$

$$= \rho \omega^2 - \rho^2$$

\hookrightarrow stiffness fun.

$$\Rightarrow \text{dispn. relation}$$

2) $\delta \mathcal{S} / \delta \phi = 0$

$$\delta \mathcal{S} = \int dt \int d^3x \left\{ \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta(\dot{\phi}_t)} \delta(\dot{\phi}_t) + \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta(\phi_{\underline{x}})} \delta(\phi_{\underline{x}}) \right\}$$

end pts fixed, i.e. ρ

$$= \int dx \int d^3x \left\{ \partial_t \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{\phi}_t} \right) - \underline{\nabla} \cdot \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \phi_{\underline{x}}} \right) \right\} \delta \phi$$

$$\delta \mathcal{S} = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$\partial_t \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{\phi}_t} \right) - \underline{\nabla} \cdot \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \phi_{\underline{x}}} \right) = 0$$

conservation eqn. \downarrow

Now, have: $\mathcal{G}(h, \omega) = 0$ (dispn. reln.)

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \omega} \right) - \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \underline{h}} \right) = 0$$

$$d\mathcal{G} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \mathcal{G}}{\partial \omega} d\omega + \frac{\partial \mathcal{G}}{\partial \underline{h}} \cdot d\underline{h} = 0$$

$$\therefore \underline{v}_{gr} = \frac{d\omega}{d\underline{h}} = \frac{-\partial \mathcal{G} / \partial \underline{h}}{\partial \mathcal{G} / \partial \omega} \quad (\text{akin } \omega)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{G}}{\partial \omega} \right) a^2 \right) + \nabla \cdot \left[\frac{-\partial \mathcal{G} / \partial \underline{h}}{\partial \mathcal{G} / \partial \omega} \frac{\partial \mathcal{G}}{\partial \omega} a^2 \right] = 0$$

and so $N \equiv \frac{\partial \mathcal{G}}{\partial \omega} a^2$

$$\frac{\partial N}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\underline{v}_{gr} N) = 0$$

cons. eqn.

(N not yet action)

though: $\mathcal{G} = \rho \omega^2 - \rho^2$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{G}}{\partial \omega} = 2\rho\omega = 2\rho\omega$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{G}}{\partial \omega} a^2 \rightarrow \epsilon / \omega$$

i.e. $\omega \frac{\partial \mathcal{G}}{\partial \omega} a^2 = 2\rho \frac{\omega^2}{\omega} a^2 = \frac{2(\rho \omega^2)}{\omega} = \epsilon / \omega \rightarrow$ action density

Also note energy conserved $\Leftrightarrow G$ invariant to time translations ($\mathcal{L} = G a^2$).

Thus, Noether's thm \Rightarrow there exists an energy conservation eqn.

Can expect form (see previous)

$$\partial_t \underline{\Sigma} + \underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{S} = 0$$

question: What is N_j^i relation to Σ_j^i argument

Now, have:

$$\mathcal{L} = G(k, \omega) a^2$$

$$\partial \mathcal{L} / \partial a = 0 \Rightarrow G(k, \omega) = 0$$

$$\partial \mathcal{L} / \partial \phi = 0 \Rightarrow \partial_t \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \omega} \right) - \underline{\nabla} \cdot \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \underline{k}} \right) = 0$$

and also realize:

$$\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{k} = 0, \quad \underline{k} = \underline{\nabla} \phi$$

$$\frac{\partial \underline{k}}{\partial t} = - \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial \underline{x}} \quad \text{i.e.} \quad \partial_t \underline{\nabla} \phi = - \underline{\nabla} (-\partial_t \phi) = - \underline{\nabla} \omega$$

expect: $\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \omega} = N$

$$\text{so} \quad \omega \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \omega} = \Sigma.$$

Now, assert:

$$\partial_t \left(\omega \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \omega} \right) + \underline{\nabla} \cdot \left(-\omega \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \underline{H}} \right) = 0$$

as energy eqn.

To check:

→ add zero (i.e. $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L} - \mathcal{L}$)

$$\partial_t \left(\omega \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \omega} - \mathcal{L} \right) + \underline{\nabla} \cdot \left[-\omega \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \underline{H}} \right] = 0$$

then

$$(\partial_t \omega) \mathcal{L} \omega + \omega \partial_t \mathcal{L} \omega - \partial_t \mathcal{L} + \underline{\nabla} \cdot \left(-\omega \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \underline{H}} \right) = 0$$

but

$$\partial_t \mathcal{L} \omega = \underline{\nabla} \cdot (\mathcal{L} \underline{H}) \quad \text{phase variation eqn}$$

$$(\mathcal{L} \omega) (\partial_t \omega) + \omega \underline{\nabla} \cdot (\mathcal{L} \underline{H}) - \omega (\underline{\nabla} \cdot \mathcal{L} \underline{H}) - (\partial \mathcal{L} / \partial \underline{H}) \cdot \underline{\nabla} \omega - \partial_t \mathcal{L} = 0$$

$$\partial_t \underline{H} = -\underline{\nabla} \omega$$

$$(\partial_t \omega) (\mathcal{L} \omega) + (\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{H}) \cdot \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \underline{H}} \right) - \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial t} = 0$$

is an identity.

$$\infty \quad \partial_t \left\{ \omega \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \omega} - \mathcal{L} \right\} + \underline{\nabla} \cdot \left(-\omega \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \underline{k}} \right) = 0$$

but $\mathcal{L} = 0$

$$\infty \quad \partial_t \left\{ \omega \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \omega} \right\} + \underline{\nabla} \cdot \left(\underline{v}_{gr} \omega \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \omega} \right) = 0$$

⇒ energy equation.

$$\Sigma = \omega \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \omega} = \text{wave energy density}$$

∞ then

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \omega} = \Sigma / \omega = N$$

↳ wave action density

↳ by construction an adiabatic invariant for wave packet.

But $G(\omega, k) = 0 \Rightarrow \mathcal{L} = 0$

\therefore

$$\partial_t \left\{ \omega \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \omega} \right\} + \nabla \cdot \left(-\omega \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \underline{k}} \right) = 0$$

Poynting Form

so

$$\Sigma \equiv \omega \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \omega} \rightarrow \begin{cases} \text{wave} \\ \text{energy density} \end{cases}$$

so

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \omega} = \Sigma / \omega \rightarrow \begin{cases} \text{wave} \\ \text{action density} \end{cases}$$

$$= N(\underline{k}, \underline{x}, t) \rightarrow \textcircled{c} \text{ adiabatic invariants for wave packet.}$$

so have:

$$\partial_t (N) + \nabla \cdot (\underline{v}_{gr} N) = 0$$

wave - kinetic

To demonstrate equivalence,

$$\frac{\partial N}{\partial t} + \underline{v}_{gr} \cdot \nabla N - \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial \underline{x}} \cdot \nabla_{\underline{k}} N = 0$$

and Liouville Thm:

$$\partial_t N + \nabla \cdot (\underline{v}_{gr} N) + \nabla_{\underline{k}} \cdot (-\partial \omega / \partial \underline{x} N) = 0$$

$\int d\underline{k}$, and assume narrow spread in \underline{k}
(i.e. wave packet) \Rightarrow

$$\frac{\partial N}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot [\underline{v}_{gr} N] = 0$$

Observe:

\rightarrow Vlasov-like equation in eikonal phase space $(\underline{x}, \underline{k})$

$$-\frac{\partial N}{\partial t} + \underline{v}_{gr} \cdot \frac{\partial N}{\partial \underline{x}} - \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial \underline{x}} \cdot \frac{\partial N}{\partial \underline{k}} = 0$$

and

\rightarrow continuity-type equation in \underline{x} -space,
for packet

$$\frac{\partial N}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\underline{v}_{gr} N) = 0$$

Also observe:

seemingly issue re:

$$\frac{\partial \underline{k}}{\partial t} = - \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial \underline{x}} \quad \text{vs} \quad \frac{d\underline{k}}{dt} = - \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial \underline{x}}$$

(w = 0)

Now $\frac{\partial h}{\partial t}$ (partic.) = $-\frac{\partial w}{\partial x}$ is (Eulerian) relation in x, t

$\frac{dh}{dt}$ (total) = $-\frac{\partial w}{\partial x}$ is (Lagrangian) relation, following packet

(here $w = D(h, x, t)$, as $\sigma = 0$)

$$\frac{dh}{dt} = \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \underline{v} \cdot \nabla h$$

$$= -\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial h} \cdot \frac{dh}{dx}$$

ind = 0

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \quad \text{agree!}$$

→ Now, can convert from N to E

c.e. $N = E/w$

$$\frac{dN}{dt} \Big|_{\text{reyo}} = \frac{d}{dt} (E/w) = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{\omega} \frac{d\varepsilon}{dt} \Big|_{\text{ray}} - \frac{1}{\omega} \varepsilon \frac{d\omega}{dt} \Big|_{\text{ray}} = 0$$

$$\text{Now } \frac{d\omega}{dt} = \partial_t \omega + \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial H} \cdot \frac{dH}{dt}$$

From eikonal eqns:

$$= \partial_t \omega + \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial H} - \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial H} \cdot \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial x}$$

so $\frac{d}{dt} \omega = 0$ \leftarrow energy conserved

$\therefore \frac{dN}{dt} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{d\varepsilon}{dt} = 0$

so $\partial_t \varepsilon + \underline{v}_{gr} \cdot \underline{\nabla} \varepsilon - \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial x} \cdot \underline{\nabla}_H \varepsilon = 0$

and exploiting Liouville's Thm, etc \Rightarrow

$$\frac{d\varepsilon}{dt} = \partial_t \varepsilon + \underline{\nabla} \cdot [\underline{v}_{gr} \varepsilon] = 0$$

conserved energy density

So, for conservative case d.e. $\partial_t \omega = 0$

$$\partial_t \varepsilon + \nabla \cdot [U_{gr} \varepsilon] = 0$$

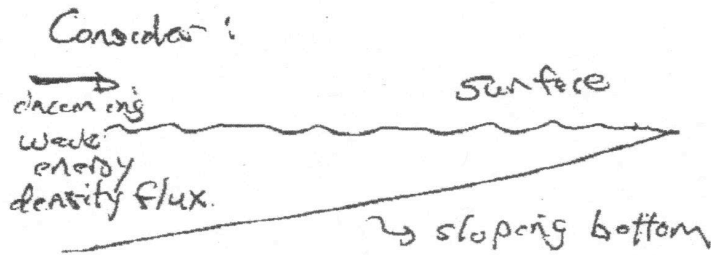
If stationary, $\partial_t \varepsilon = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla \cdot [U_{gr} \varepsilon] = 0$$

incompressible
wave energy
flux ↓

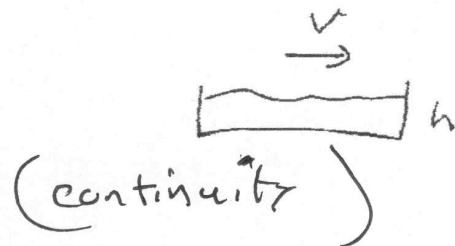
⇒ U_{gr} drops ⇒
 $\varepsilon \uparrow$ ⇒ blocking,
breaking

(3) The beach...



$$H = H(x)$$

Now, in shallow water ($\lambda > H$)



$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (\underline{v}h)}{\partial x} &= 0 \\ \frac{\partial \underline{v}}{\partial t} + \underline{v} \frac{\partial \underline{v}}{\partial x} &= -g \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} \end{aligned} \right.$$

$\frac{\partial (\underline{v}h)}{\partial x}$ slope
 $\frac{\partial h}{\partial x}$ replaces pressure
 (mom.) shallow water eqns.

$$\underline{v} = \underline{v}_0 + \tilde{v}, \quad h = H + \tilde{h}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{aligned} -c\omega \tilde{h} + ikH \tilde{v} &= 0 \\ -c\omega \tilde{v} &= -ckg \tilde{h} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \omega^2 = k^2 g H \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{is dispersion relation} \\ \omega H \leftrightarrow c_0^2 \end{array} \right]$$

\Rightarrow analogy with acoustics is obvious.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} h \leftrightarrow \phi \\ v \leftrightarrow v \\ c_0^2 = gH \\ \text{etc.} \end{array} \right\}$$

energy \Rightarrow

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$$\frac{\partial \tilde{v}}{\partial t} = -g \frac{\partial \tilde{h}}{\partial x} \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{h}}{\partial t} = -H \frac{\partial \tilde{v}}{\partial x} \quad (2)$$

$$\Rightarrow (1) \times \tilde{v} + (2) \times \left(\sigma \frac{\tilde{h}}{H} \right)$$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial \tilde{v}^2}{\partial t} = -g \tilde{v} \frac{\partial \tilde{h}}{\partial x}$$

$$\frac{g}{H} \frac{\partial \tilde{h}^2}{\partial t} = -\frac{gH}{H} \tilde{h} \frac{\partial \tilde{v}}{\partial x}$$

Wave energy
density flux
 \downarrow

$$\therefore \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{\tilde{v}^2}{2} + \frac{g\tilde{h}^2}{2H} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(g\tilde{h}\tilde{v} \right) = 0$$

is energy theorem

$$\Rightarrow \Sigma = \frac{\tilde{v}^2}{2} + \frac{g\tilde{h}^2}{2H} \text{ is wave energy density.}$$

$$\omega/k = (gH)^{1/2} \text{ is wave phase velocity}$$

so ... as no explicit time dependence:

$$\frac{\partial \Sigma}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (v_{gr} \Sigma) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow v_g(x) \mathcal{E}(x) = v_{g0} \mathcal{E}_{00} = I \quad v_g = \sqrt{gH(x)}$$

↓
incoming wave flux

↳ shallow water waves have zero dispersion

$$\therefore \sqrt{gH(x)} \mathcal{E}(x) = I$$

as $x \rightarrow$ shore $v_g \downarrow$ so wave energy ~~must~~ must increase.

$$\text{Now } \mathcal{E}(x) = \frac{\tilde{v}^2}{2} + \frac{g \tilde{h}^2}{2H} \approx \frac{g \tilde{h}^2}{2H}$$

$$\sqrt{gH(x)} \frac{g \tilde{h}^2}{2H(x)} = I$$

$$\frac{\tilde{h}^2}{H(x)^2} = \frac{2I}{(g)^{3/2}} (\sqrt{H(x)})^{-3}$$

then

$$\left(\frac{\tilde{h}}{H} \right)^2 \sim (\text{const}) I / (H(x))^{3/2}$$

$\therefore \tilde{h}/H \rightarrow 1 \Leftrightarrow$ breaking \Leftrightarrow as $H(x)$ drops.

N.B. is

→ if know bottom profile, can deduce displacement profile, and approximate breaking point.

→ 2D bottom contours \Rightarrow wave refraction

$$\frac{dk}{dt} = -\frac{\partial \omega}{\partial x} = -kg \left(\frac{\partial H(x,y)}{\partial x} \right)$$

d.e. wave fronts tend to align with bottom contours approaching shore.