



Ocean Waves

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Metocean parameters

Meteorology and Oceanography

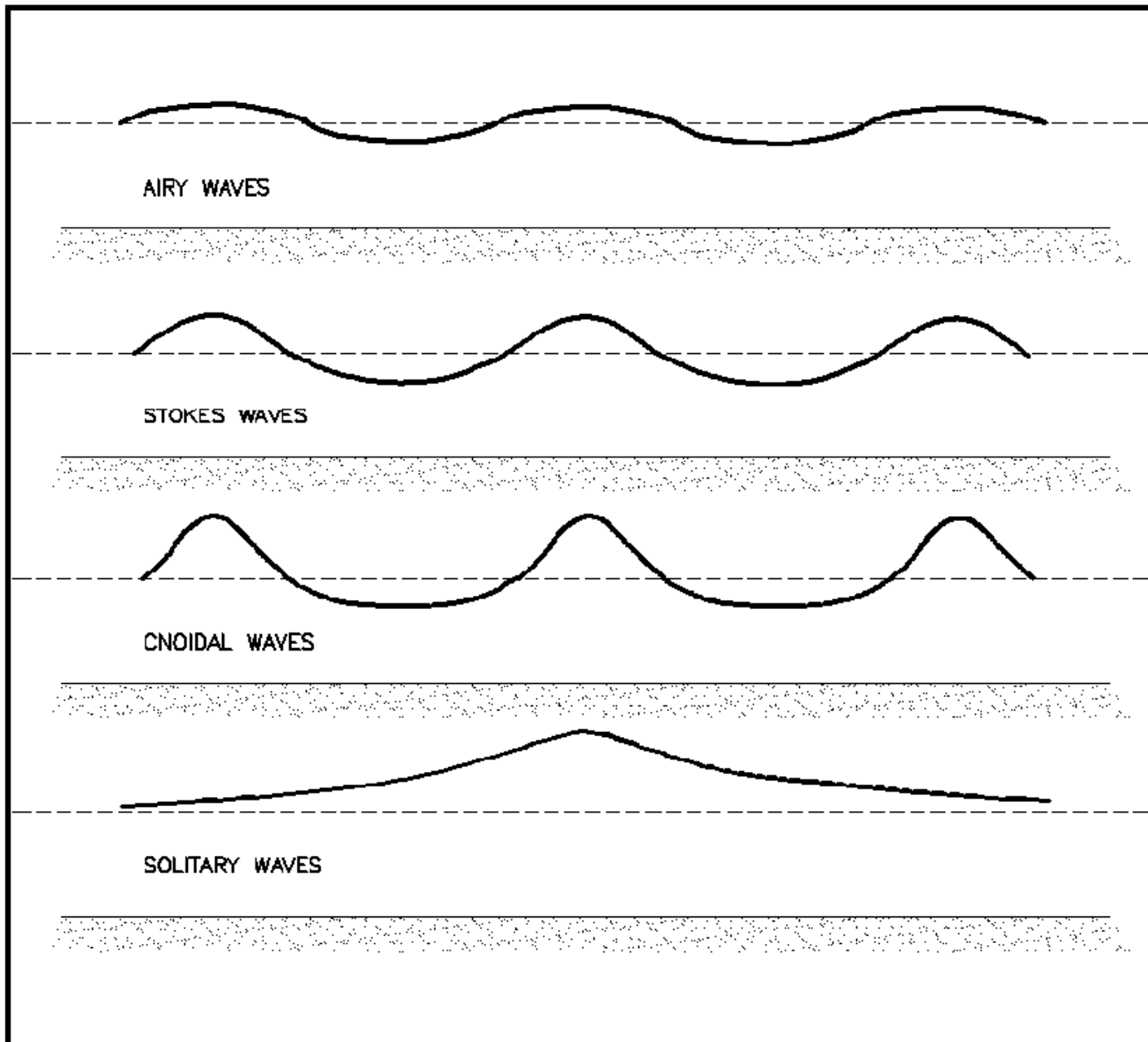
Parameter	Information
<i>Winds</i>	Extreme wind speed * Extreme wind speed by direction Frequency of occurrence of wind speed and direction * Persistence of sustained wind speeds above certain thresholds * Vertical profile Gust speeds and spectra
<i>Waves</i>	Extreme sea state * Extreme sea state by direction Cumulative frequency distribution of individual wave heights Joint probability of significant wave height and period * Joint probability of significant wave height and period by direction Wave energy spectra and directional spreading Persistence of storms and calms
<i>Water levels</i>	Chart datum water depth Extreme tidal rise and storm surge Extreme tidal, surge and wave crest elevation

Metocean parameters

<i>Currents</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Extreme current speed * Extreme current speed by direction Vertical profile with depth Fatigue design current speed
<i>Temperatures</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maximum and minimum air temperatures * Maximum and minimum sea temperatures * Vertical profile of sea temperature with depth
<i>Ice and snow</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maximum thickness and density of snow Maximum thickness and density of ice Occurrence of sea ice and icebergs
<i>Marine growth</i>	Type and thickness of growth
<i>Other meteorological information</i>	Precipitation, fog, wind chill, occurrence and forecastability of storms
<i>Seabed information</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Slope (including direction) of seabed Soil conditions
<i>Salinity</i>	Per cent

Water Waves

- Water waves on the free surface of the ocean with periods of 3 to 25 s are primarily generated by wind.
- Regular Waves : Waves of constant height and period
- Irregular Waves : Successive waves differing periods and heights
- Linear wave theory : The first-order Stokes, small-amplitude, or Airy wave theory
- Nonlinear wave theories : Cnoidal, Solitary, and Stokes theories

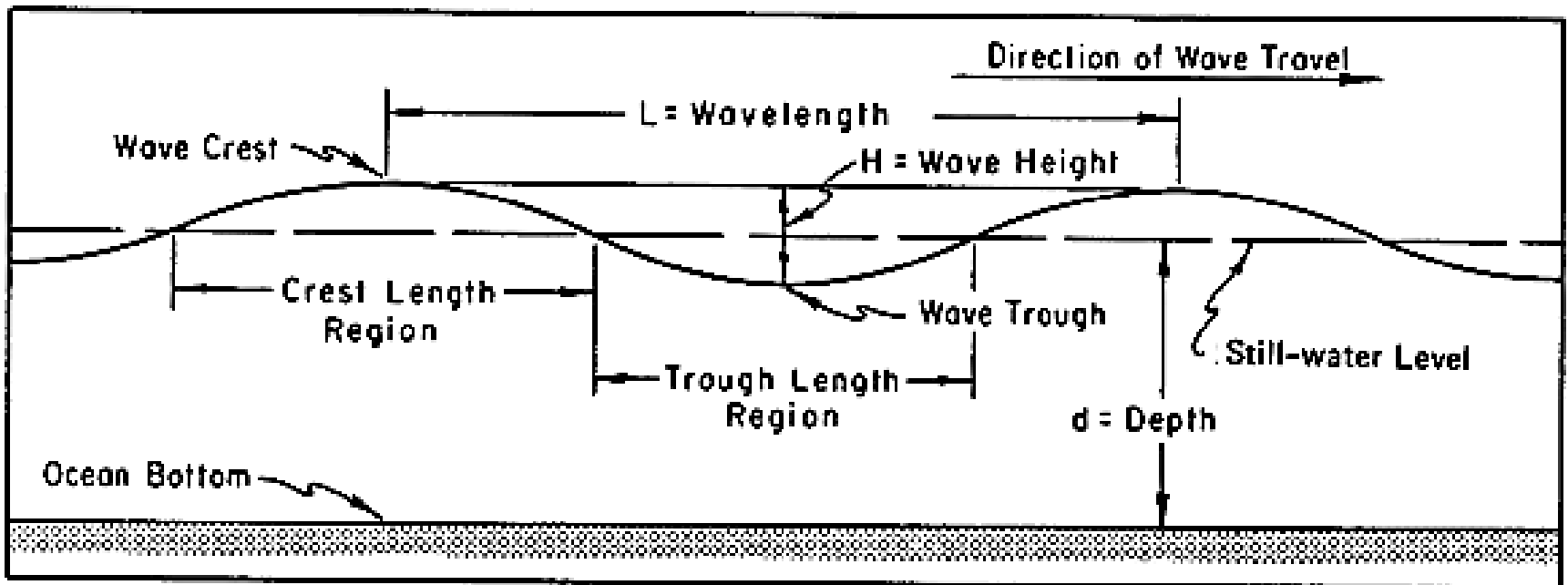


Regular waves

- Wave height **H**
- Wave period **T**
- Wavelength **L**
- Water depth **d**
- Angular or radian frequency $\sigma = 2\pi/T$
- Wave number $k = 2\pi/L$
- Relative wave height **H/d**
- Phase velocity or wave celerity $C = L/T = \sigma/k$
- Still Water Level (SWL), Mean Water Level (MWL), Mean Sea Level (MSL)



Regular waves



Regular waves

Governing Equation: $\nabla^2 \phi = 0$

Boundary Condition

- Free Surface Boundary Condition kinematic B.C. ;
 - ✓ Kinematic FSBC : Related with water particle kinematics
 - ✓ Dynamic FSBC : Pressure is uniform on the free surface be uniform along the wave form
- Bottom Boundary Condition
- Lateral Boundary Condition

Regular waves

Kinematic FSBC

$$\zeta = \eta(x, y, t)$$

$$F(x, y, \zeta, t) = \zeta - \eta(x, y, t) = 0 \text{ at the free surface.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{DF}{Dt} &= \frac{DF}{Dt} + \vec{v} \cdot \nabla F = \frac{\partial F}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial F}{\partial \zeta} \\ &= \frac{\partial F}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \zeta} \frac{\partial F}{\partial \zeta} \\ &= -\frac{\partial \eta}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \zeta} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \zeta} = \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial y}, \text{ at } \zeta = \eta(x, y, t)$$

Regular waves

Dynamic FSBC

As DFSBC is a requirement that the pressure on the free surface be uniform along the wave form, the Bernoulli equation with $p_\mu = C$ is applied on the free surface, $\zeta = \eta(x, y, t)$

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2} |\nabla \phi|^2 + \frac{p_\mu}{\rho} + g\zeta = C(t)$$

where p_μ is a constant and usually taken as gage pressure ($p_\mu = 0$)

Regular waves

Bottom boundary condition (B.B.C)

$\zeta = -h(x, y)$, Impermeable, Bottom does not move with time

$$F = \zeta + h(x, y) = 0, \text{ at } \zeta = -h$$

$$\frac{DF}{Dt} = 0 \text{ at } \zeta = -h$$

$$\frac{DF}{Dt} = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} \frac{\partial h}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \zeta} = 0$$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \zeta} = - \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} \frac{\partial h}{\partial y}$$

Regular waves

Periodic lateral B.C. (PLBC)

Wave is periodic in space and time

$$\phi(x, t) = \phi(x + L, t)$$

$$\phi(x, t) = \phi(x, t + T)$$

Regular waves

$$\nabla^2 \phi = \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial \zeta^2} = 0 : 0 \leq X < L, \quad -h \leq \zeta \leq \eta$$

$$\text{KSFBC} : \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \zeta} = \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} \quad \text{at } \zeta = \eta, \quad \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \zeta} - \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial t} = 0 \quad \text{at } \zeta = 0$$

$$\text{DSFBC} : \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2} |\nabla \phi|^2 + g\zeta = 0 \quad \text{at } \zeta = \eta, \quad \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} + g\eta = 0 \quad \text{at } \zeta = 0$$

$$\text{BBC} : \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \zeta} = 0 \quad \text{at } \zeta = -h$$

$$\text{PLBC} : \phi(x + L, t) = \phi(x, t) \\ \phi(x, t + T) = \phi(x, t)$$

Regular waves

Dispersion Relation

$$\sigma^2 = gk \tanh kh$$

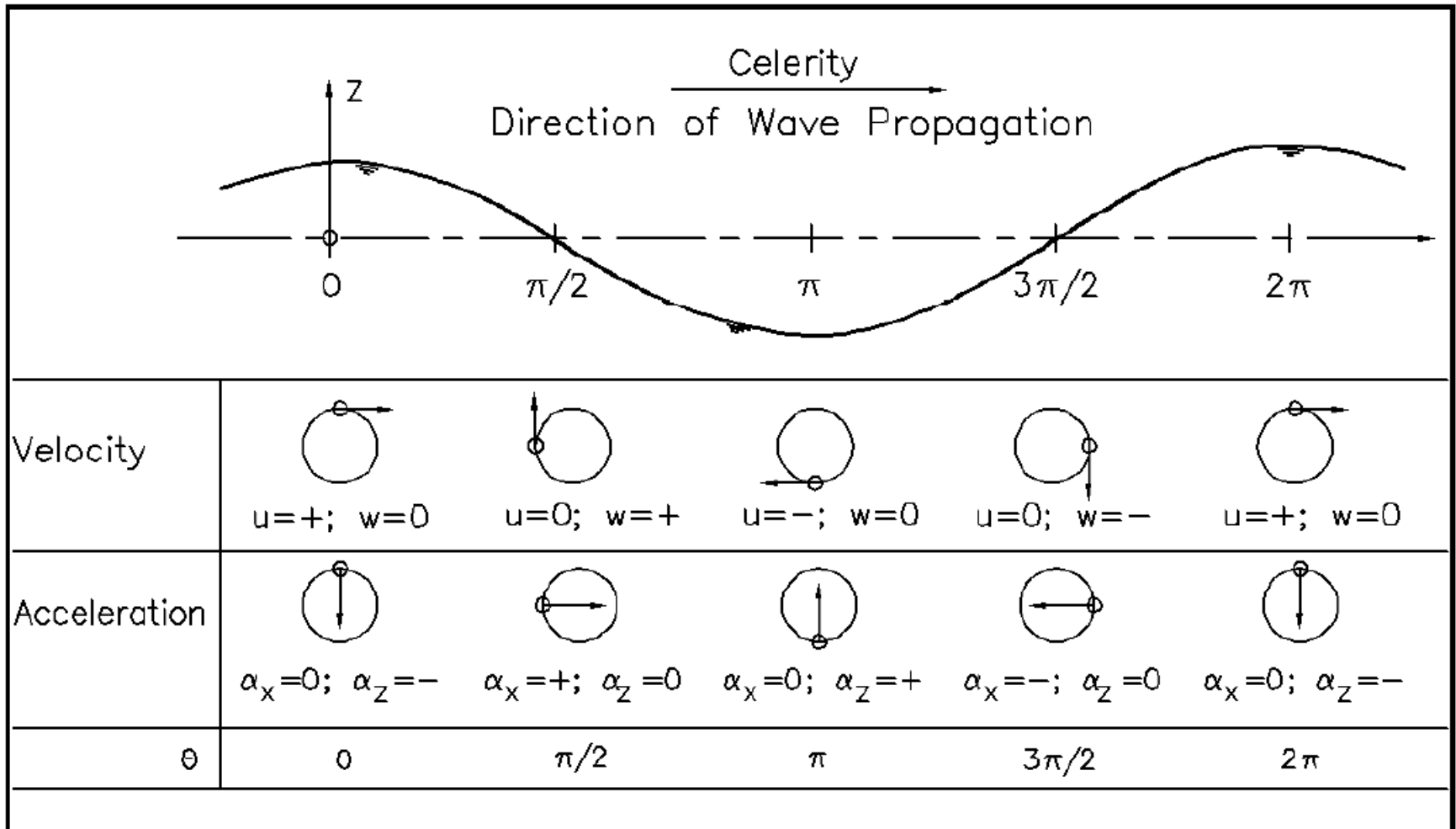
Wave Velocity Potential

$$\phi = \frac{H}{2} \frac{g}{2} \frac{\cosh[k(\zeta + h)]}{\cosh kh} \sin(kx + \sigma t)$$

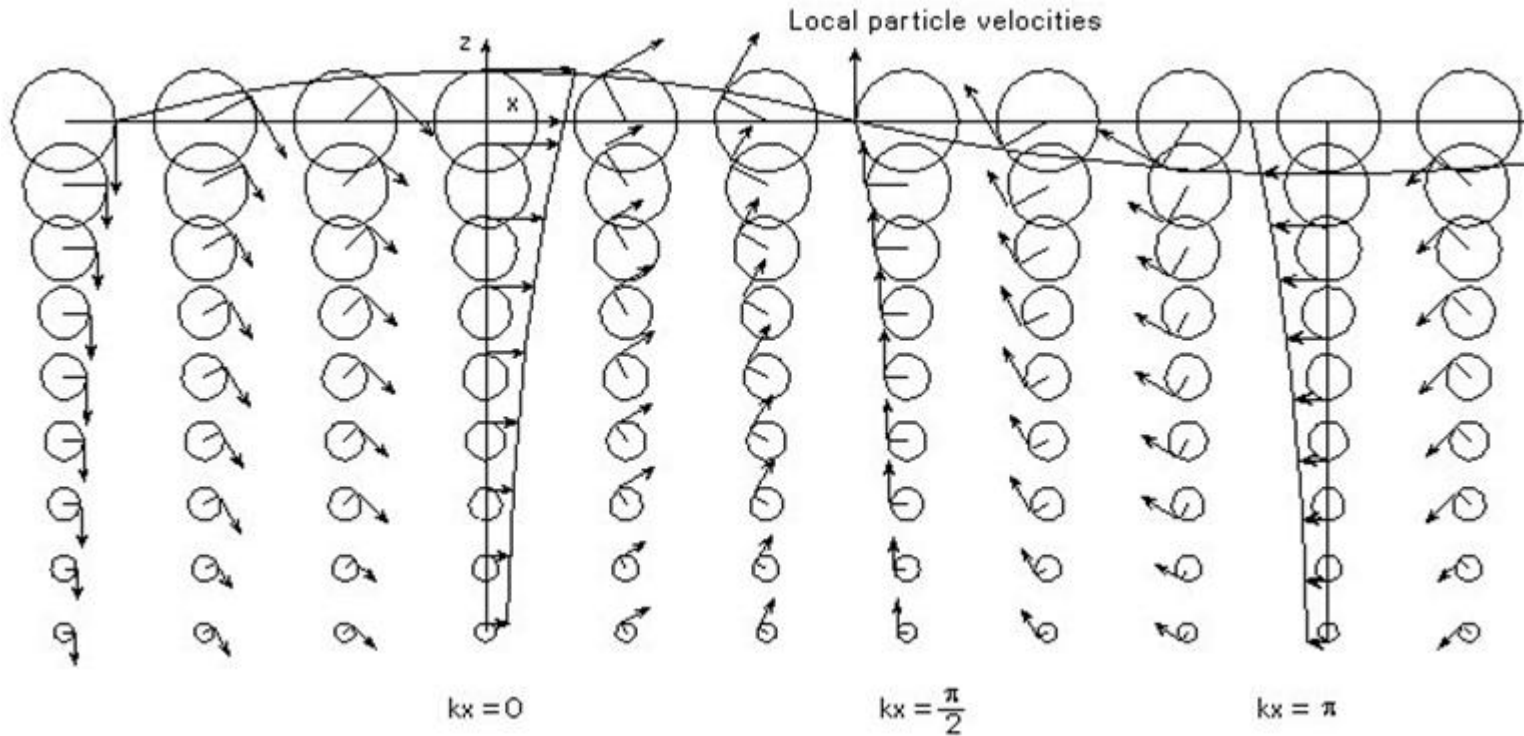
Wave Elevation

$$\eta = \frac{H}{2} \cos(kx + \sigma t)$$

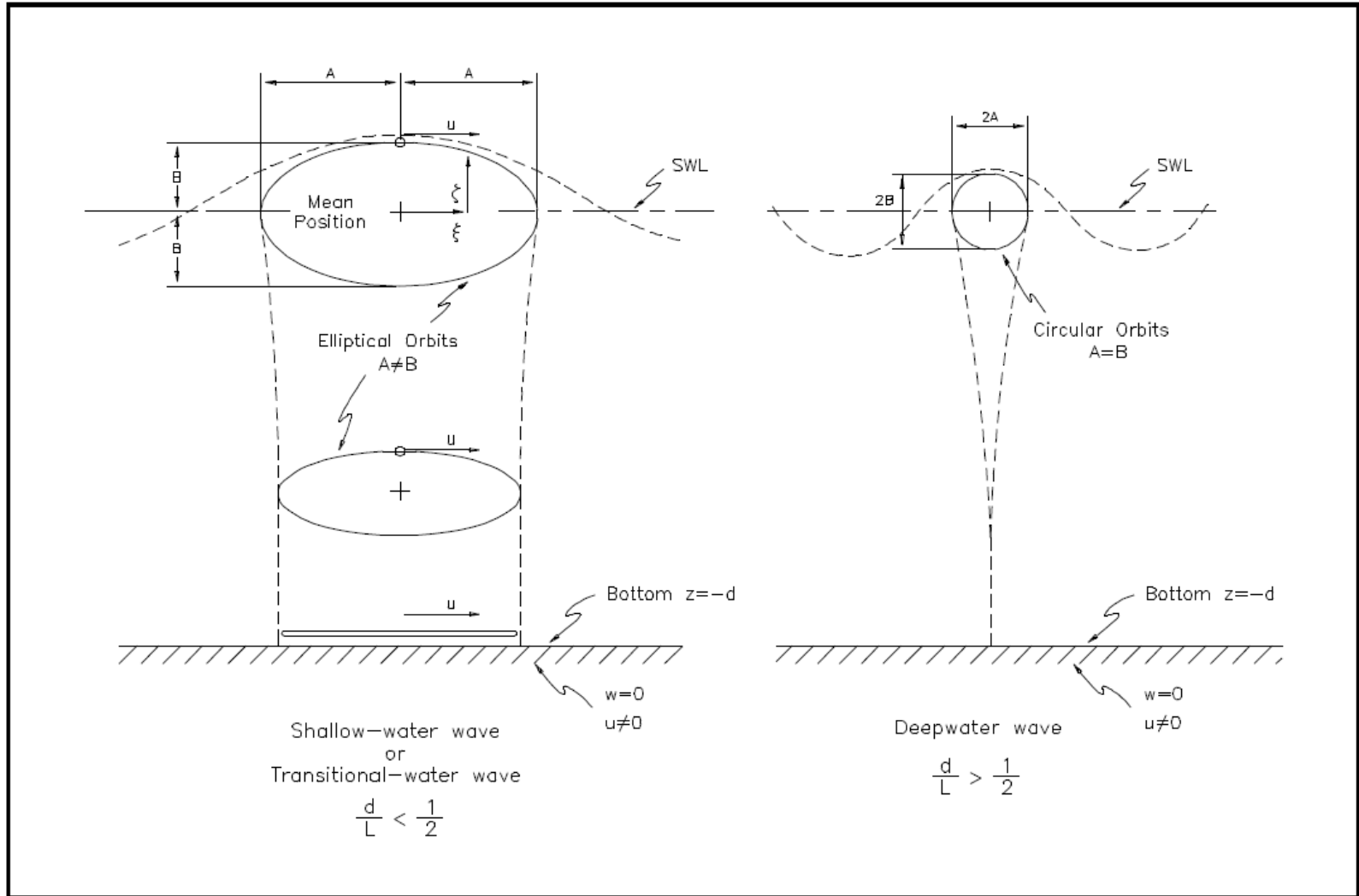
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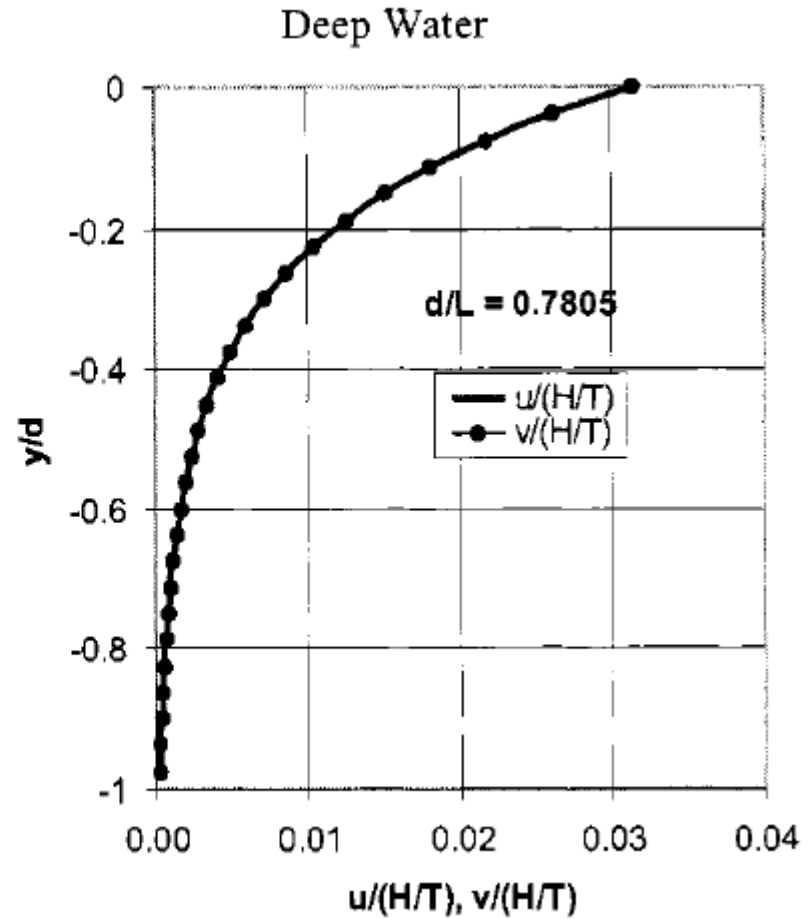
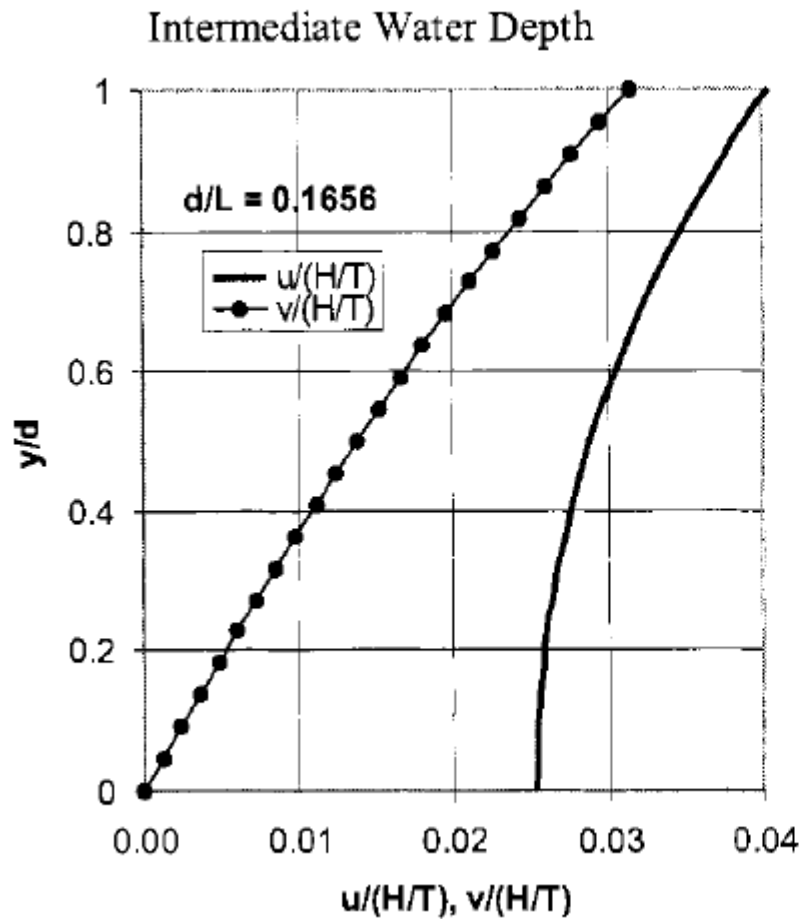
Wave Water Particle Trajectory



Regular waves



Particle velocity amplitudes with depth



Regular waves

- **Kinetic energy** per unit length of wave crest for a wave defined with the linear theory

$$\bar{E}_k = \int_x^{x+L} \int_{-d}^{\eta} \rho \frac{u^2 + w^2}{2} dz dx = \frac{1}{16} \rho g H^2 L$$

- **Potential energy** per unit length of wave crest for a linear wave

$$\bar{E}_p = \int_x^{x+L} \rho g \left[\frac{(\eta + d)^2}{2} - \frac{d^2}{2} \right] dx = \frac{1}{16} \rho g H^2 L$$

- Total wave energy in one wavelength per unit crest width

$$E = E_k + E_p = \frac{\rho g H^2 L}{16} + \frac{\rho g H^2 L}{16} = \frac{\rho g H^2 L}{8}$$

Linear Theory of Regular Waves Review

Wave property	SHALLOW WATER <i>(d / λ < 1 / 20)</i>	INTERMEDIATE WATER <i>(1 / 20 < d / λ < 1 / 2)</i>	DEEP WATER <i>(d / λ > 1 / 2)</i>
Velocity potential <i>(u = ∇φ)</i>	$\phi = \frac{ag}{\omega} \frac{\cosh k(z+d)}{\cosh kd} \cos(\omega t - kx)$	$\phi = \frac{ag}{\omega} \frac{\cosh k(z+d)}{\cosh kd} \cos(\omega t - kx)$	$\phi = \frac{ag}{\omega} e^{kz} \cos(\omega t - kx)$
Dispersion relation	$\omega^2 = g k^2 d$	$\omega^2 = gk \tanh kd$	$\omega^2 = gk$
Wave length - wave period relation	$\lambda = T \sqrt{gd}$	$\lambda = \frac{g}{2\pi} T^2 \tanh \frac{2\pi d}{\lambda}$	$\lambda = \frac{g}{2\pi} T^2$ ($\approx 1.56 T^2$)
Wave profile	$\eta = a \sin(\omega t - kx)$	$\eta = a \sin(\omega t - kx)$	$\eta = a \sin(\omega t - kx)$
Dynamic pressure	$p_d = \rho g a \sin(\omega t - kx)$	$p_d = \rho g a \frac{\cosh k(z+d)}{\cosh kd} \sin(\omega t - kx)$	$p_d = \rho g a e^{kz} \sin(\omega t - kx)$
Horizontal particle velocity	$u = \frac{\omega a}{kd} \sin(\omega t - kx)$	$u = \omega a \frac{\cosh k(z+d)}{\sinh kd} \sin(\omega t - kx)$	$u = \omega a e^{kz} \sin(\omega t - kx)$
Vertical particle velocity	$w = \omega a \frac{z+d}{d} \cos(\omega t - kx)$	$w = \omega a \frac{\sinh k(z+d)}{\sinh kd} \cos(\omega t - kx)$	$w = \omega a e^{kz} \cos(\omega t - kx)$
Horizontal particle acceleration	$\dot{u} = \frac{\omega^2 a}{kd} \cos(\omega t - kx)$	$\dot{u} = \omega^2 a \frac{\cosh k(z+d)}{\sinh kd} \cos(\omega t - kx)$	$\dot{u} = \omega^2 a e^{kz} \cos(\omega t - kx)$
Vertical particle acceleration	$\dot{w} = -\omega^2 a \frac{z+d}{d} \sin(\omega t - kx)$	$\dot{w} = -\omega^2 a \frac{\sinh k(z+d)}{\sinh kd} \sin(\omega t - kx)$	$\dot{w} = -\omega^2 a e^{kz} \sin(\omega t - kx)$
Group velocity	$c_g = c$	$c_g = \frac{1}{2} c \left(1 + \frac{2kd}{\sinh 2kd} \right)$	$c_g = \frac{1}{2} c$



Regular waves

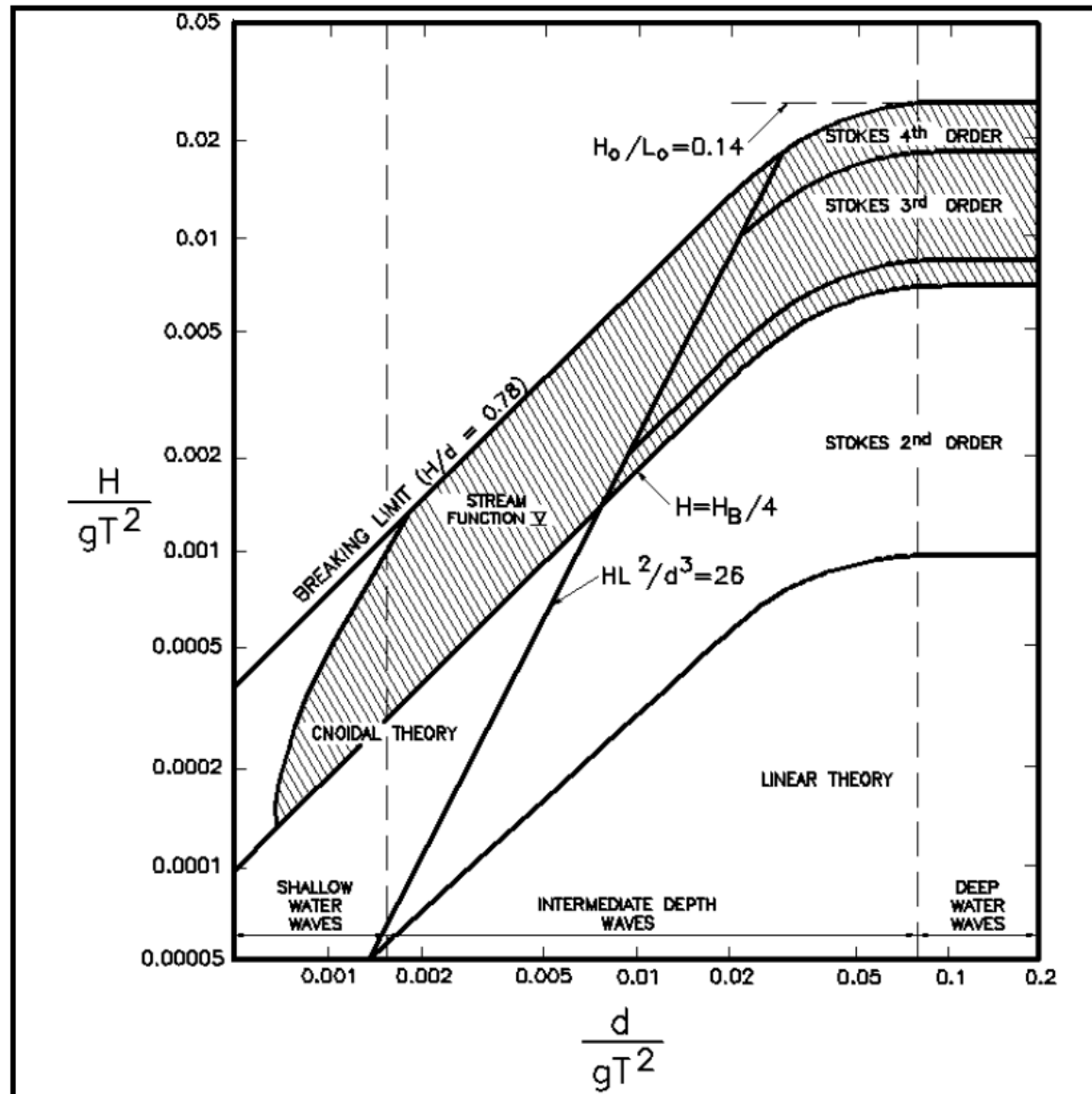
Nonlinear wave theories

- **Wave steepness (H/L)** is a measure of how large a wave is relative to its height and whether the linear wave assumption is valid.
- **Relative depth (d/L)** determines whether waves are dispersive or nondispersive and whether the celerity, length, and height are influenced by water depth
- Large values of the **relative wave height** indicate that the small-amplitude assumption may not be valid.
- Maximum wave steepness (Michell, 1893)

$$\frac{H/L}{d/L} = \frac{H}{d}$$

$$\left(\frac{H_0}{L_0} \right)_{\max} = 0.142 \approx \frac{1}{7}$$

Region of application of wave theories

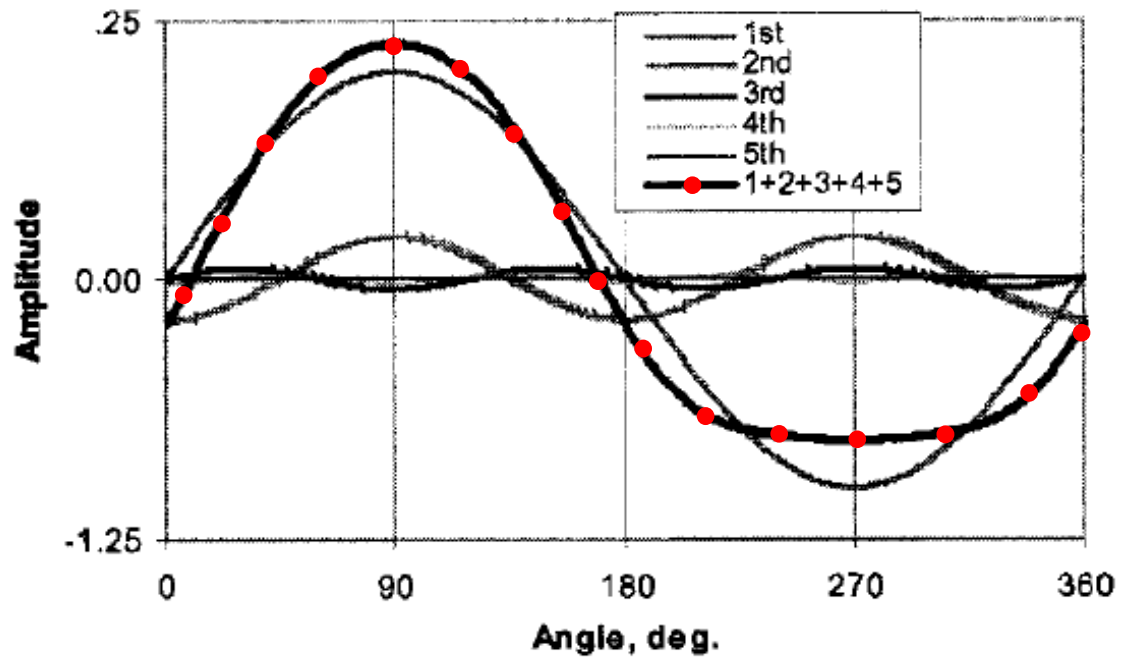
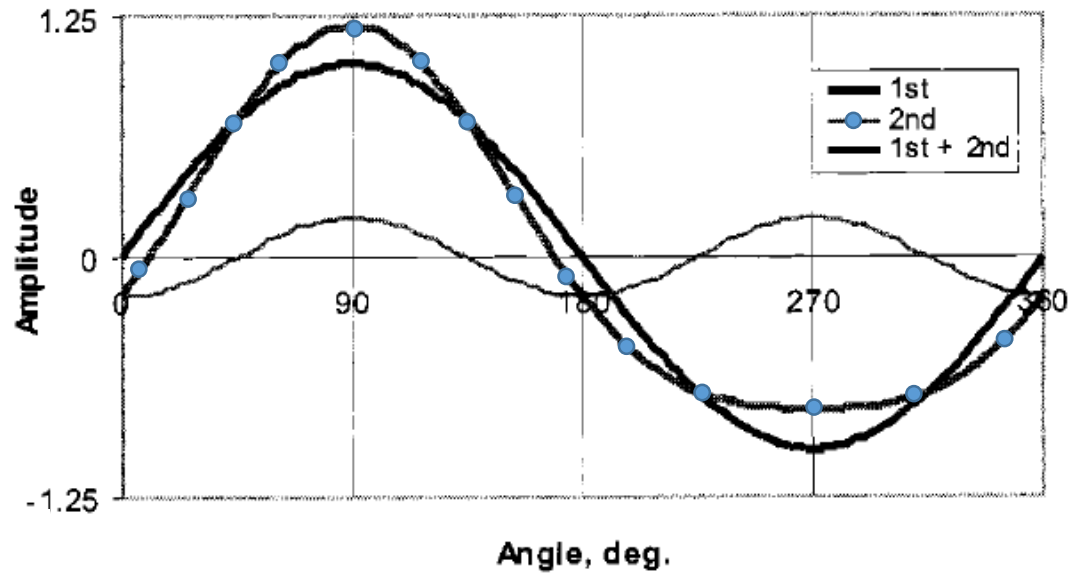


Formulas for Stokes' second-order wave theory

Quantity	First-Order Component	Second-Order Component
Dispersion relationship	$c^2 = \frac{g}{k} \tanh kd$	$c^2 = \frac{g}{k} \tanh kd$
Wave profile	$\eta = \frac{H}{2} \cos(kx - \omega t)$	$\eta = \frac{\pi H^2 \cosh kd}{8L \sinh^3 kd} [2 + \cosh 2kd] \cos 2(kx - \omega t)$
Horizontal velocity	$u = \frac{\pi H \cosh ks}{T \sinh kd} \cos(kx - \omega t)$	$u = \frac{3}{4c} \left(\frac{\pi H}{T} \right)^2 \frac{\cosh 2ks}{\sinh^4 kd} \cos 2(kx - \omega t)$
Vertical velocity	$v = \frac{\pi H \sinh ks}{T \sinh kd} \sin(kx - \omega t)$	$v = \frac{3}{4c} \left(\frac{\pi H}{T} \right)^2 \frac{\sinh 2ks}{\sinh^4 kd} \sin 2(kx - \omega t)$
Horizontal acceleration	$\dot{u} = \frac{2\pi^2 H \cosh ks}{T^2 \sinh kd} \sin(kx - \omega t)$	$\dot{u} = \frac{3\pi}{2L} \left(\frac{\pi H}{T} \right)^2 \frac{\cosh 2ks}{\sinh^4 kd} \sin 2(kx - \omega t)$
Vertical acceleration	$\dot{v} = -\frac{2\pi^2 H \sinh ks}{T^2 \sinh kd} \cos(kx - \omega t)$	$\dot{v} = -\frac{3\pi}{4L} \left(\frac{\pi H}{T} \right)^2 \frac{\sinh 2ks}{\sinh^4 kd} \cos 2(kx - \omega t)$
Dynamic pressure	$p = \rho g \frac{H \cosh ky}{2 \cosh kd} \cos[k(x - ct)]$	$p = \frac{3}{4} \rho g \frac{\pi H^2}{L} \frac{1}{\sinh 2kd} \left[\frac{\cosh 2ks}{\sinh^2 kd} - \frac{1}{3} \right] \cos 2(kx - \omega t)$ $- \frac{1}{4} \rho g \frac{\pi H^2}{L} \frac{1}{\sinh kd} [\cosh 2ks - 1]$

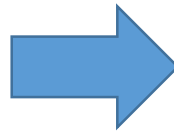
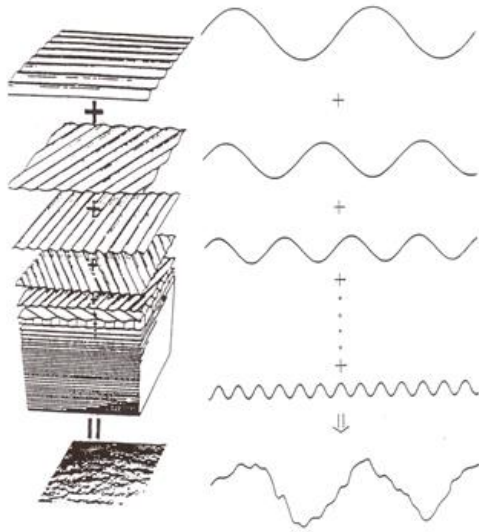


$$u = \sum_{n=1}^5 u_n \cosh nks \cos n(kx - \omega t)$$



Irregular Waves

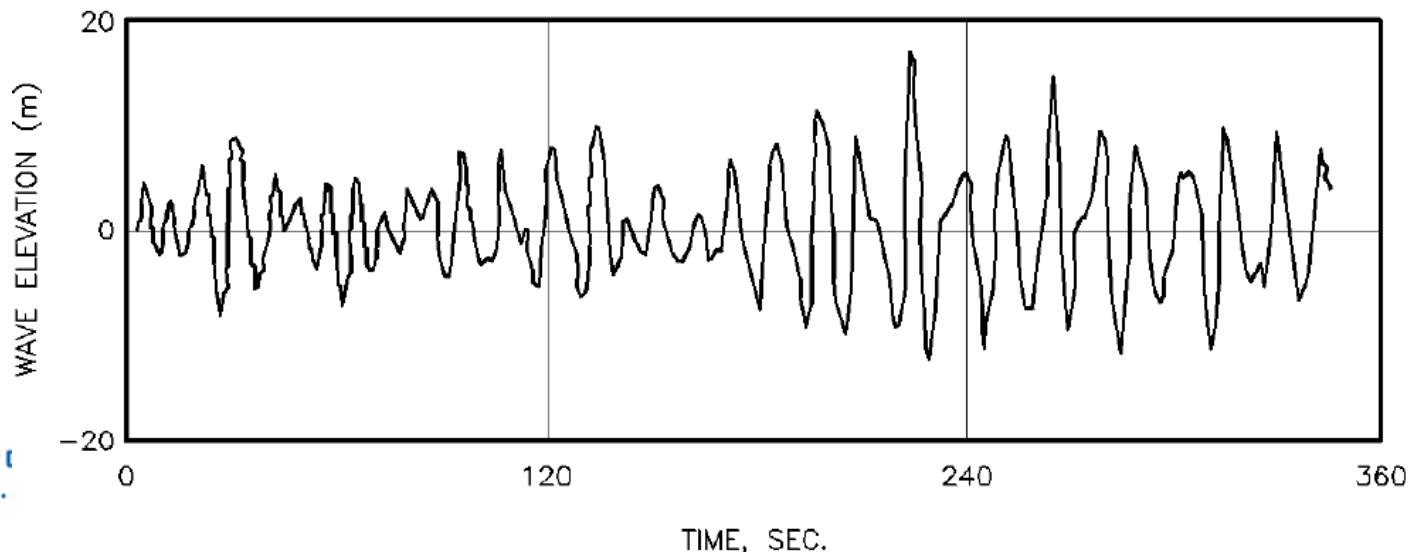
- Ocean waves are, generally, random in nature.



- Larger waves in a random wave series may be given the form of a regular wave that may be described by a deterministic theory.

Irregular Waves

- These individual components were generated by the wind in different regions of the ocean and have propagated to the point of observation.
- If a recorder were to measure waves at a fixed location on the ocean, a non-repeating wave profile would be seen and the wave surface record would be rather irregular and random.
- Definitions of wave height, period, and duration must be statistical and simply indicate the severity of wave conditions.



Irregular Waves

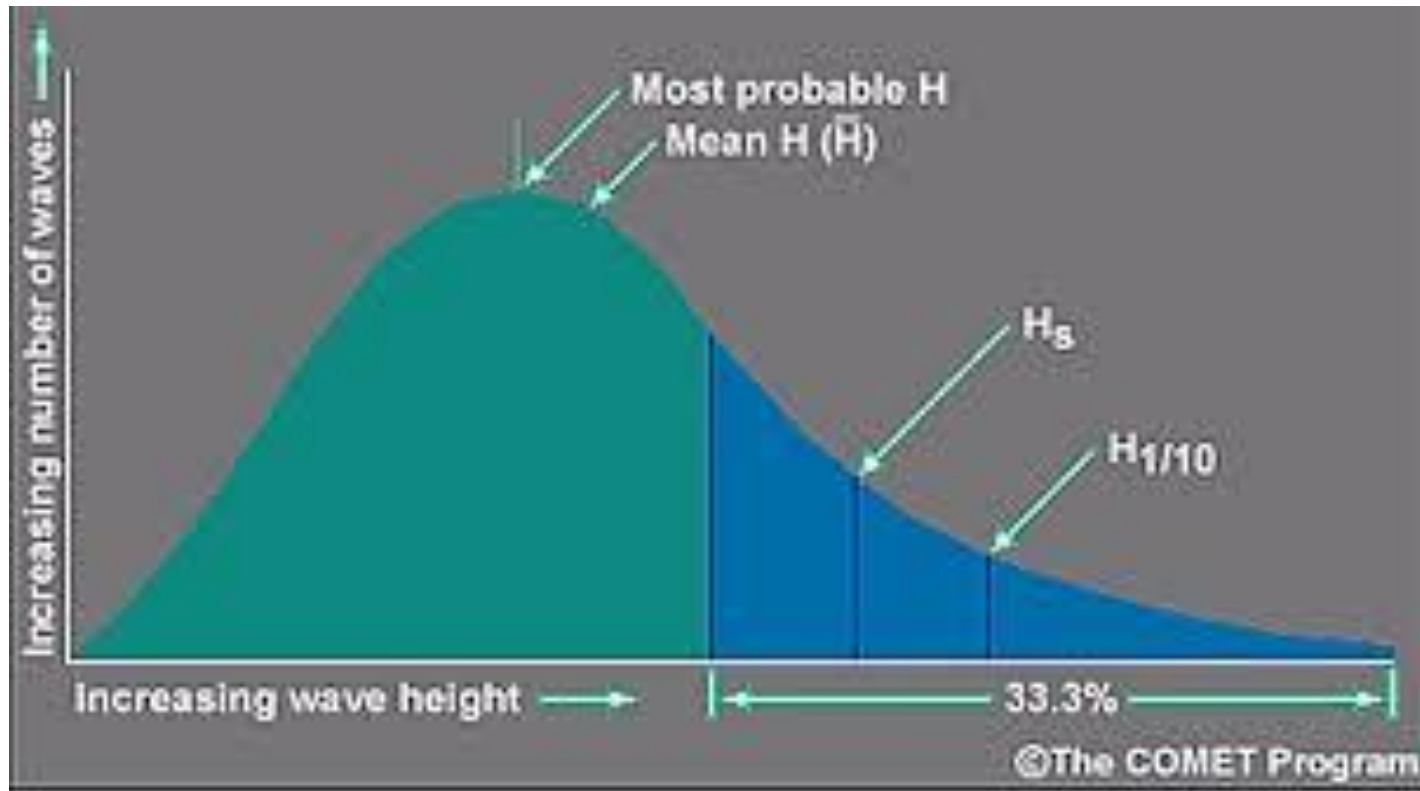
Rayleigh distribution

- Longuet-Higgins (1952) found from statistical theory that both wave amplitudes and heights follow the Rayleigh distribution.

$$p(x) = \left\{ \frac{\pi x}{2 \mu_x^2} e^{-\frac{\pi}{4} \left(\frac{x}{\mu_x} \right)^2} \quad \text{for } x \geq 0 \right\}$$

$$P(x) = \left\{ 1 - e^{-\frac{\pi}{4} \left(\frac{x}{\mu_x} \right)^2} \quad \text{for } x \geq 0 \right\}$$

Significant Wave Height



Global wave climate

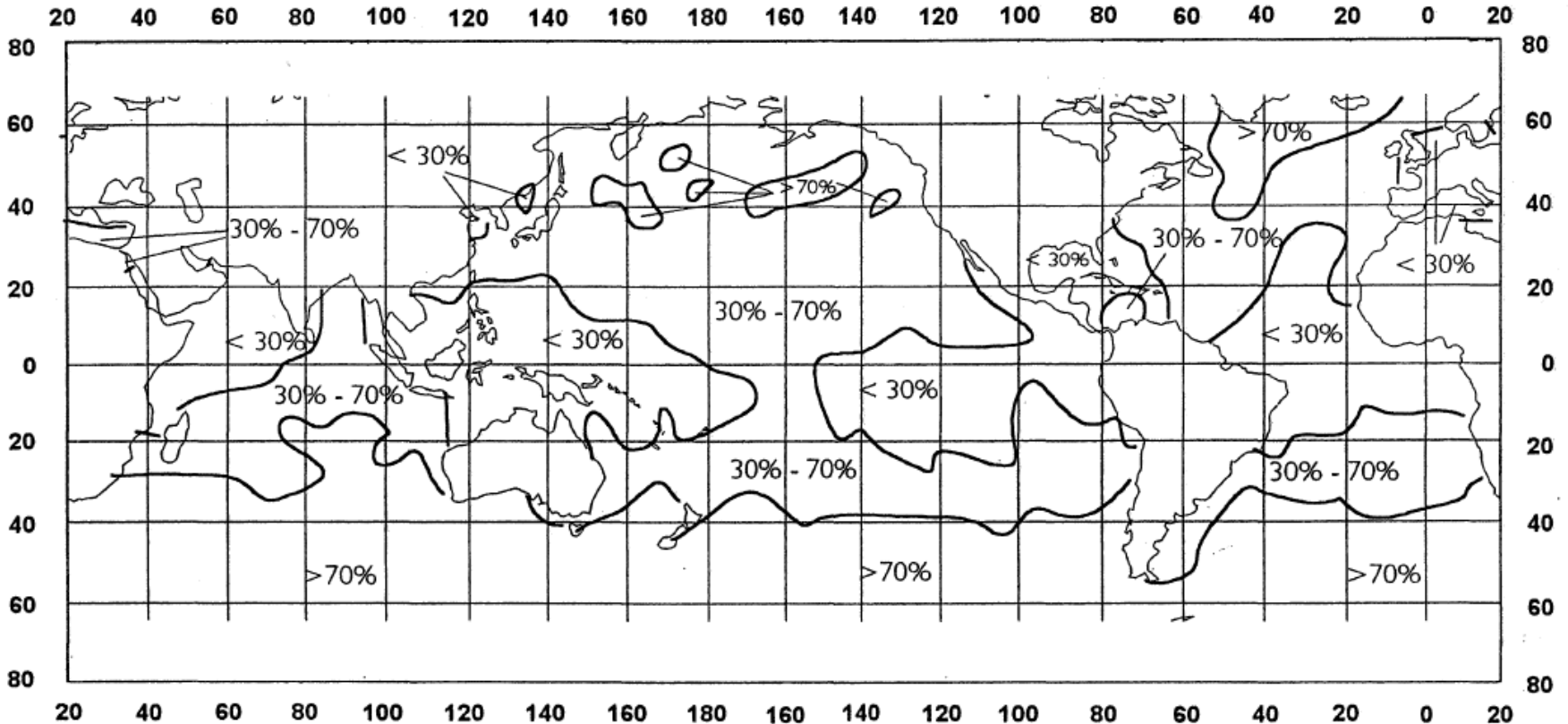
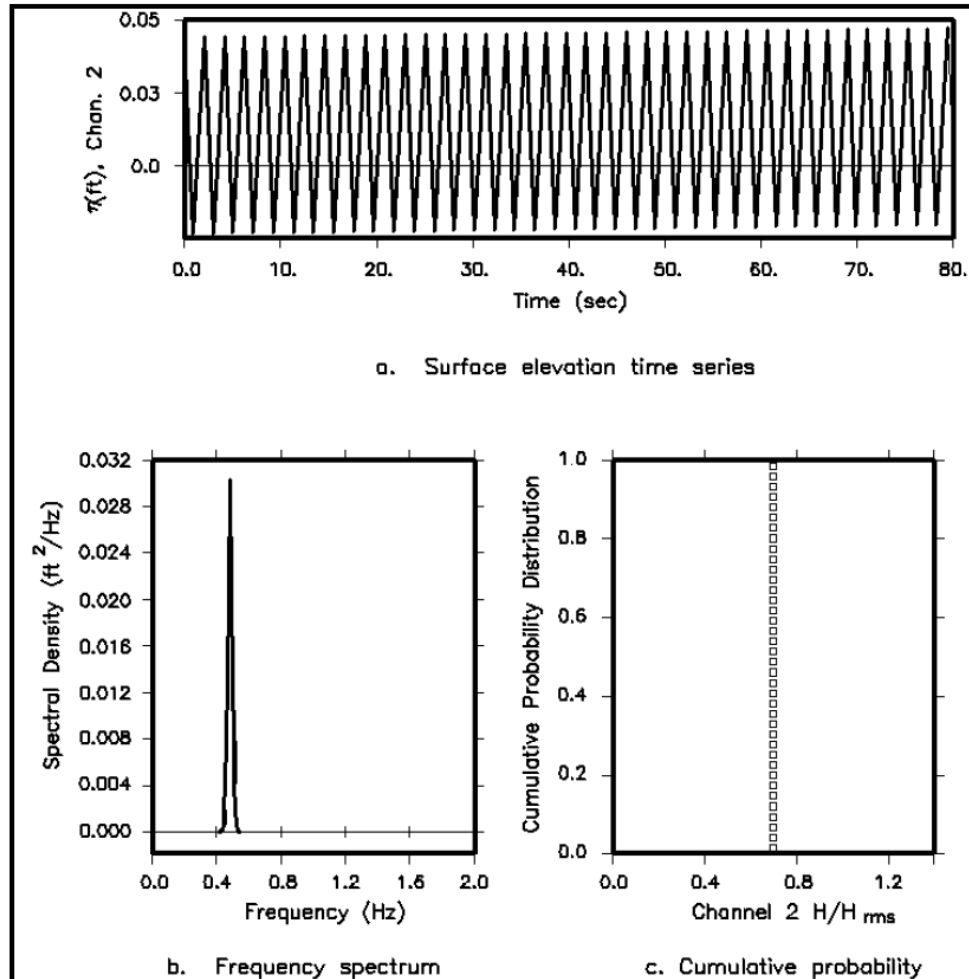


Figure 2.5 Global mapping of significant wave height from GEOS 3 (after McMillan, 1981), % of time that $H_s > 2.5\text{m}$

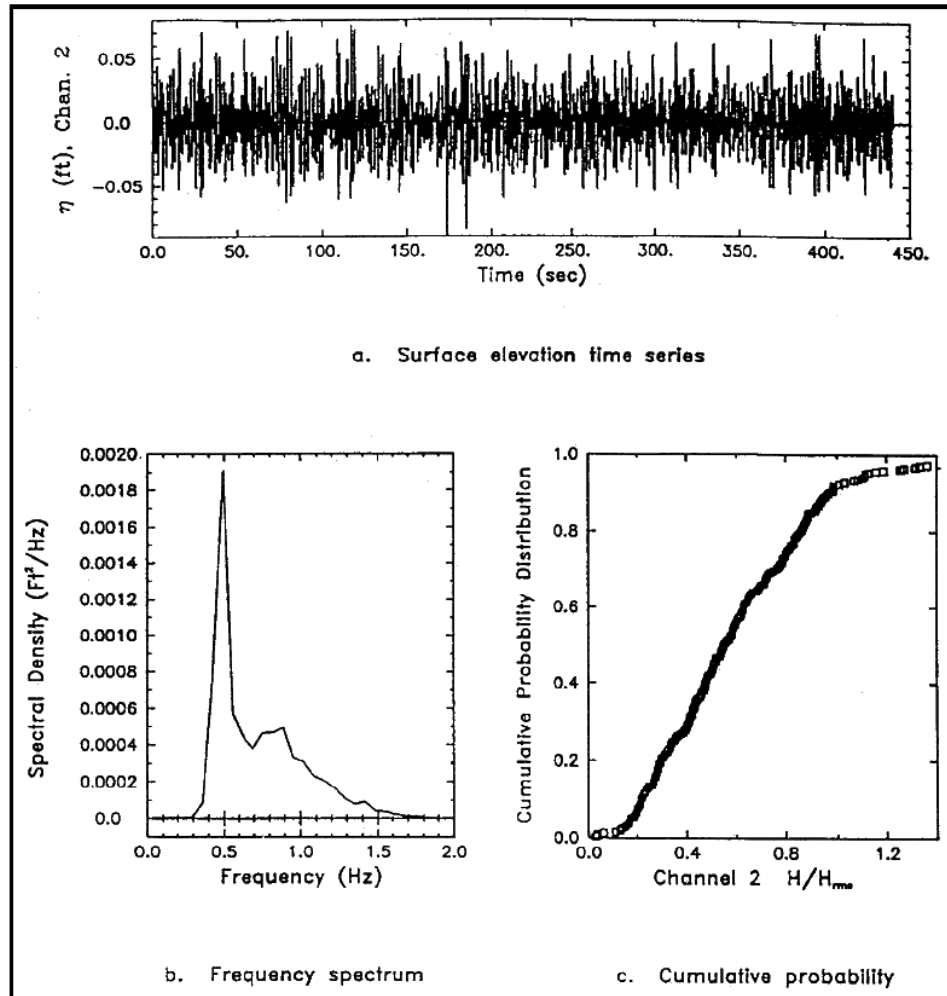
Spectral analysis

- Rice (1944-1945) work on signal processing was extended to ocean waves (Kinsman 1965; Phillips 1977).
- $E(f)$ or $S(f)$ is actually a measurement of variance, it is often called frequency energy spectrum because (assuming linear wave theory) the energy of the wave field may be estimated by multiplying $E(f)$ by ρg .
- The **wave energy spectral density**, $E(f)$ or $S(f)$, simply the wave spectrum may be obtained directly from a continuous time series of the surface (t) with the aid of the Fourier analysis.

Spectral analysis



Spectral analysis



Spectral analysis

$$\begin{aligned}\eta(t) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n \cos(\omega_n t - \varepsilon_n) \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \cos n\omega t + b_n \sin n\omega t\end{aligned}$$

$$\bar{\eta}^2(t) = \sum_0^{\infty} A_n^2 \Delta f$$

$$A_n^2 = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{a_n^2 + b_n^2}$$

$$\varepsilon_n = \tan^{-1} \frac{b_n}{a_n}$$

Spectral analysis

- Zero-th moment of the spectrum (m_0)

$$\sigma_{\eta}^2 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_n^2}{2} = \int_0^{\infty} E(f) df = m_0$$

- Moments of a spectrum $m_i = \int_0^{\infty} f^i E(f) df \quad i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

- Approximate relations for most common wave parameters by the statistical analysis

$$H_S = 4.0 \sqrt{m_0} \quad ; \quad H_{1/10} = 5.1 \sqrt{m_0}$$

$$T_z = \sqrt{\frac{m_0}{m_2}} \quad ; \quad T_c = \sqrt{\frac{m_2}{m_4}}$$

Wave height distribution

- If wave energy is concentrated in a very narrow range of wave period, the maxima of the wave profile will coincide with the wave crests and the minima with the troughs.
- This is termed a **narrow-band condition**.
- Under the narrow-band condition, wave heights are represented by the following **Rayleigh distribution**.

$$H_{1/3} \approx 4.00 \sqrt{m_0} = 1.416 H_{rms}$$

$$H_{1/10} = 1.27 H_{1/3} = 1.80 H_{rms} = 5.091 \sqrt{m_0}$$

$$H_{1/100} = 1.67 H_{1/3} = 2.36 H_{rms} = 6.672 \sqrt{m_0}$$

$$H_{\max} = 1.86 H_{1/3} \quad (\text{for 1000 wave cycles in the record})$$

Definition of Sea State

Sea state code	Significant wave height (m)		Wind speed (knots)		Wave period (s)	
	Range	Median	Range	Median	Range	Most probability
0-1	0 - 0.1	0.05	0 - 6	3.0	-	-
2	0.1 - 0.5	0.30	7 - 10	8.5	5.1-14.9	6.3
3	0.5 - 1.25	0.88	11 - 16	13.5	5.3-16.1	7.5
4	1.25 - 2.5	1.88	17 - 21	19.0	6.1-17.2	8.8
5	2.5 - 4.0	3.25	22 - 27	24.5	7.7-17.8	9.7
6	4.0 - 6.0	5.00	28 - 47	37.5	10.0-18.7	12.4
7	6.0 - 9.0	7.50	48 - 55	51.5	11.7-19.8	15.0
8	9.0 - 14.0	11.50	56 - 63	59.5	14.5-21.5	16.4
>9	>14.0	>14.0	>63.0	>63.0	16.4-22.5	20.0

Bretschneider Spectrum

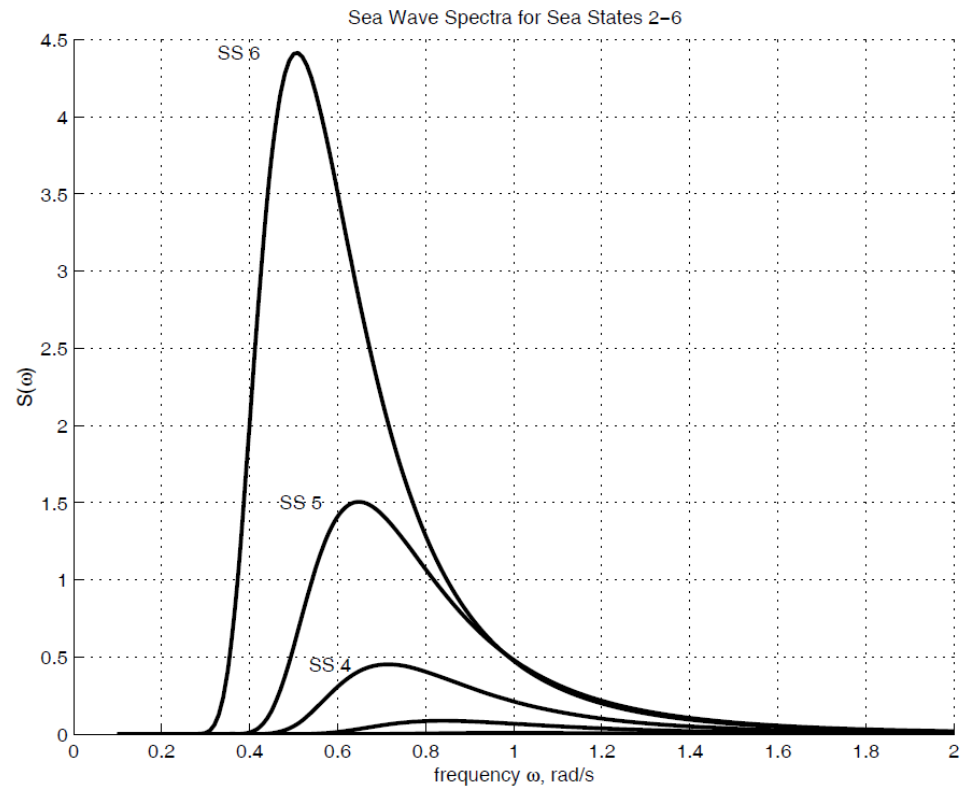
$$S_{\eta}(f) = \frac{5H_s^2}{16f_0(f/f_0)^5} e^{\left\{ \frac{5}{4} \left(\frac{f}{f_0} \right)^{-4} \right\}}$$

or,

$$S_{\eta}(f) = \frac{\alpha'}{f^5} e^{\left[-\frac{\beta''}{f^4} \right]}$$

where

$$\alpha' = \frac{5H_s^2 f_0^4}{16} \quad \text{and} \quad \beta'' = \frac{5f_0^4}{4}$$



Pierson-Muskowitz Spectrum

$$S_{\eta}(\omega) = \phi(U, g, f) \quad \text{where}$$

U = Wind speed

f = Wave frequency,

$$\omega = 2\pi f$$

$$S_{\eta}(\bar{\omega}) = \frac{\alpha g^2}{\bar{\omega}^5} e^{\left[-\beta \left(\frac{\bar{\omega}_0}{\bar{\omega}}\right)^4\right]}$$

where

α = Philip constant = 0.0081 (This is independent of U and wind fetch F)

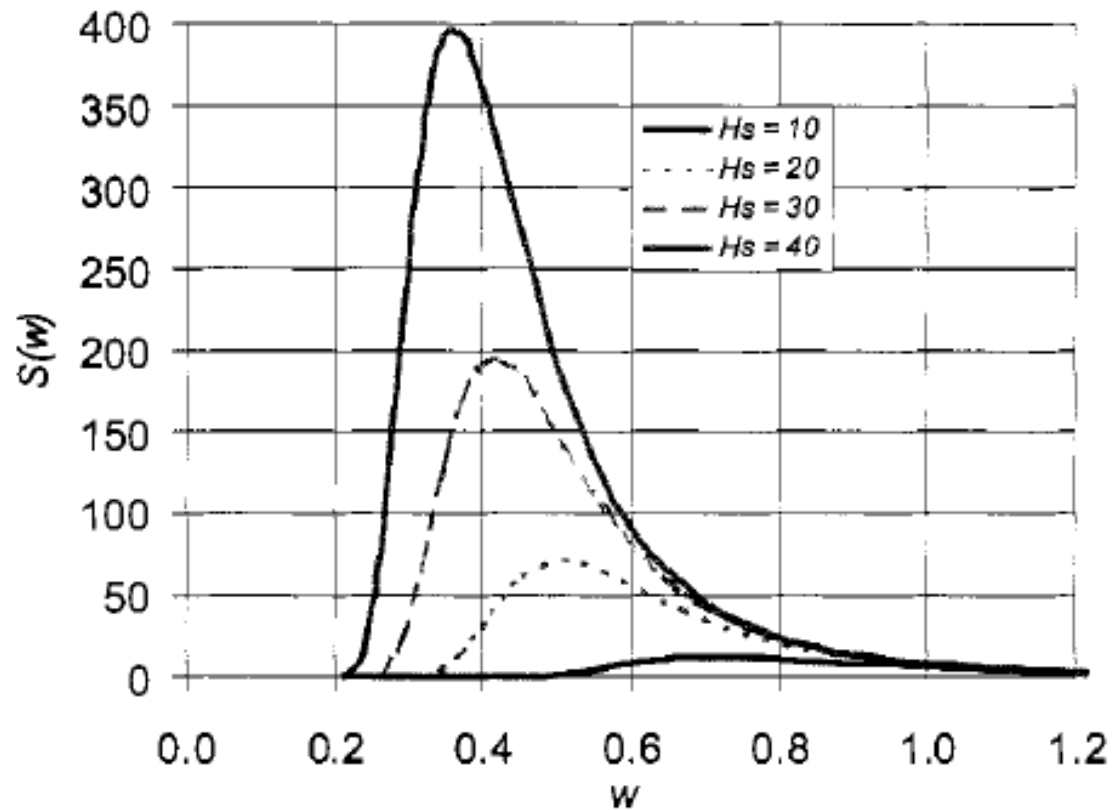
$$\beta = 0.74$$

$\bar{\omega}_0$ = Frequency corresponding to the peak value of the energy spectrum

$$= 2\pi f_0 = g/U_w$$



Pierson-Muskowitz Spectrum



JONSWAP Spectrum

Joint North Sea Wave Project

$$S(\omega) = 173 \frac{H_S^2 T_S (T_S \omega)^{-5}}{F_1 F_2^4} \exp(-692 (F_2 T_S \omega)^{-4}) \gamma^{\exp[-(0.206 F_2 T_S \omega - 1)^2 / 2\sigma^2]}$$

H_S : Significant wave height (m)

ω : Angular wave frequency (rad/s)

T_S : Mean wave period (s)

γ : JONSWAP peakedness parameter

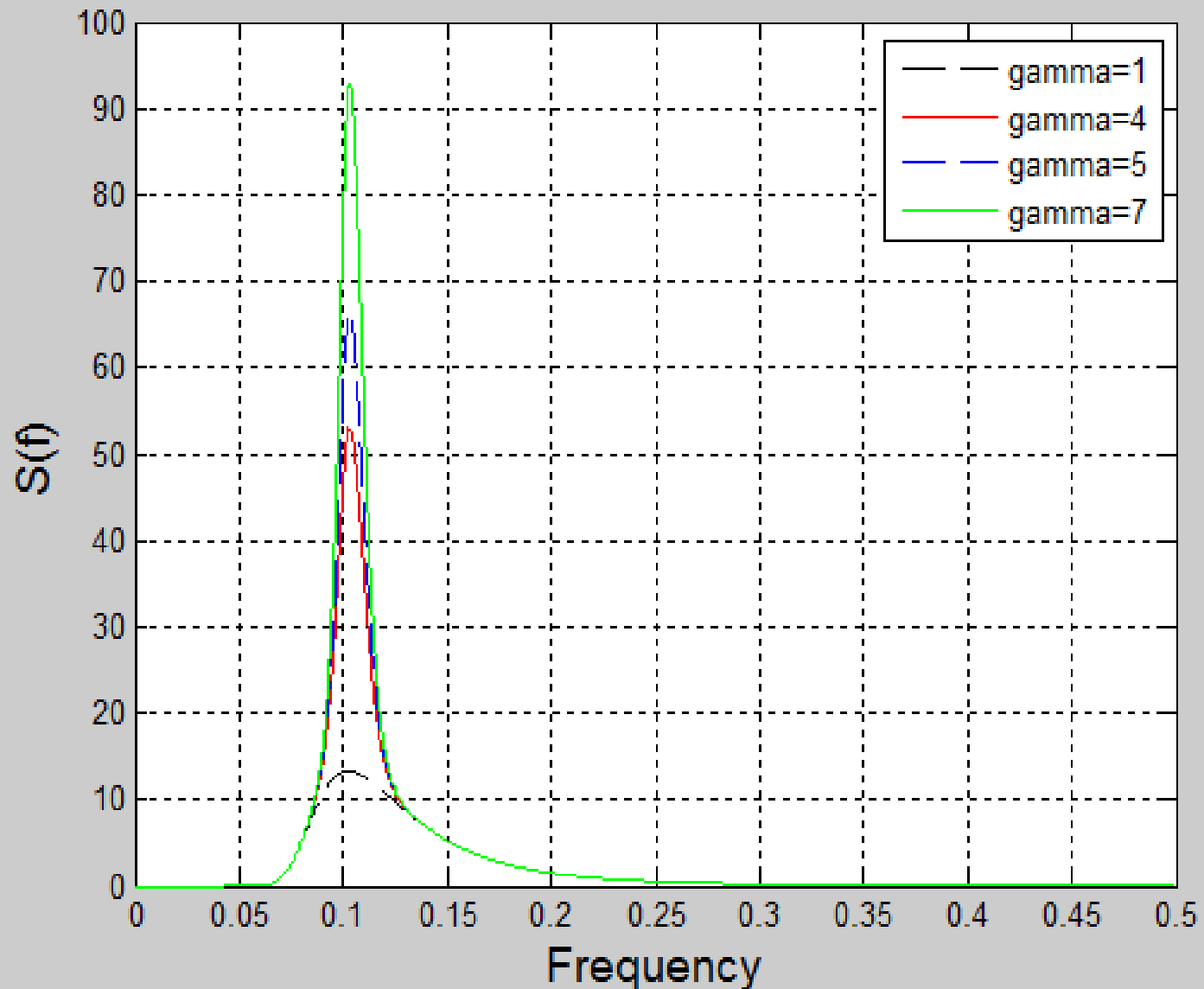
$$\sigma = \begin{cases} 0.07 & \text{for } \omega \leq (0.206 F_2 T_S)^{-1} \\ 0.09 & \text{for } \omega > (0.206 F_2 T_S)^{-1} \end{cases}$$

JONSWAP Spectrum

γ	F_1	F_2
1	1.00	1.0
2	1.24	0.95
3	1.46	0.93
3.3 ⁽¹⁾	1.52	0.82
4	1.66	0.91
5	1.89	0.90
6	2.04	0.89

(1) Mean JONSWAP spectrum

JONSWAP



Common spectral models for oceans

Location	Operational	Survival
Gulf of Mexico	P-M	P-M or JONSWAP
North Sea	JONSWAP	JONSWAP
Northern North Sea	JONSWAP	JONSWAP
Offshore Brazil	P-M	P-M or JONSWAP
Western Australia	P-M	P-M
Offshore Newfoundland	P-M	P-M or JONSWAP
West Africa	P-M	P-M

Typical **JONSWAP γ -values** for various offshore locations

Location	γ
North Sea or North Atlantic	3.3
Northern North Sea	Up to 7
Offshore West Africa	1.5 ± 0.5
Gulf of Mexico	1 for $H_s \leq 6.5$ m
	2 for $H_s > 6.5$ m
Offshore Brazil	1-2



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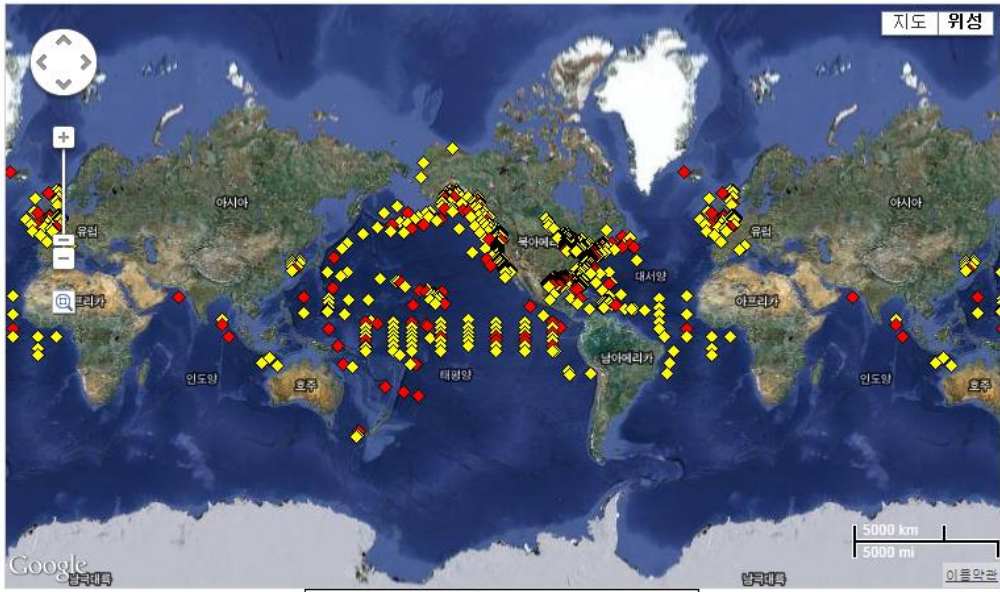
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Mouse Cursor Coordinates: 1153 stations deployed

- ◆ Stations with recent data
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Station 42002 (LLNR 1405) - W GULF 207 NM East of Brownsville, TX

Owned and maintained by National Data Buooy Center
 10-meter discus buoy
 ARES payload
 25.790 N 93.666 W (25°47'24" N 93°39'58" W)

Site elevation: sea level
 Air temp height: 10 m above site elevation
 Anemometer height: 10 m above site elevation
 Barometer elevation: sea level
 Sea temp depth: 1 m below site elevation
 Water depth: 3566.16 m
 Watch circle radius: 3523 yards



Station 42002 is transmitting intermittently since 04/19/2012. This buoy will be restored to service when it can be worked into the schedule. When the service date is known, it will be posted in the [maintenance report](#).

42002 was re-established at the above location on 2/8/2008.
 Previously the station was positioned at 25° 10' 00" N 094° 25' 00" W.

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Map showing station location with a yellow diamond marker. Includes Google logo and Korean text: 지도 데이터 ©2012 - 이용약관

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- Stations with recent data
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Conditions at 42002 as of (6:50 am CDT) 1150 GMT on 06/24/2012:

Unit of Measure: Time Zone:

Click on the graph icon in the table below to see a time series plot of the last five days of that observation.

	Wind Direction (WDIR):	NNE (20 deg true)
	Wind Speed (WSPD):	9.7 kts
	Wind Gust (GST):	11.7 kts
	Wave Height (WVHT):	4.6 ft
	Dominant Wave Period (DPD):	8 sec
	Average Period (APD):	5.8 sec
	Mean Wave Direction (MWD):	ENE (68 deg true)
	Atmospheric Pressure (PRES):	29.86 in

06 23 11:50 am	NNE	13.6	15.5	4.6	8	5.5	ENE	29.80	+0.02	83.5	83.3	79.0	-	-	-
06 23 9:50 am	NNE	11.7	15.5	4.9	8	5.8	ENE	29.79	+0.04	83.1	82.9	79.2	-	-	-
06 23 8:50 am	NNE	11.7	15.5	4.9	7	5.5	ENE	29.78	+0.04	82.9	82.9	78.1	-	-	-
06 23 7:50 am	NNE	13.6	17.5	5.6	7	5.7	ENE	29.76	+0.03	83.1	82.9	78.4	-	-	-
06 23 6:50 am	NE	13.6	17.5	5.2	8	5.4	ENE	29.75	+0.02	82.4	82.9	78.8	-	-	-

Detailed Wave Summary for 42002 as of (7:00 am CDT) 1200 GMT on 06/24/2012:

These wave data are displayed in [rounded times](#).

Unit of Measure: Time Zone:

Click on the graph icon in the table below to see a time series plot of the last five days of that observation.

	Significant Wave Height (WVHT):	4.6 ft
	Swell Height (SwH):	4.3 ft
	Swell Period (SwP):	7.7 sec
	Swell Direction (SwD):	ENE
	Wind Wave Height (WWH):	1.6 ft
	Wind Wave Period (WWP):	4.3 sec
	Wave Steepness (STEEPNESS):	AVERAGE
	Average Wave Period (APD):	5.8 sec

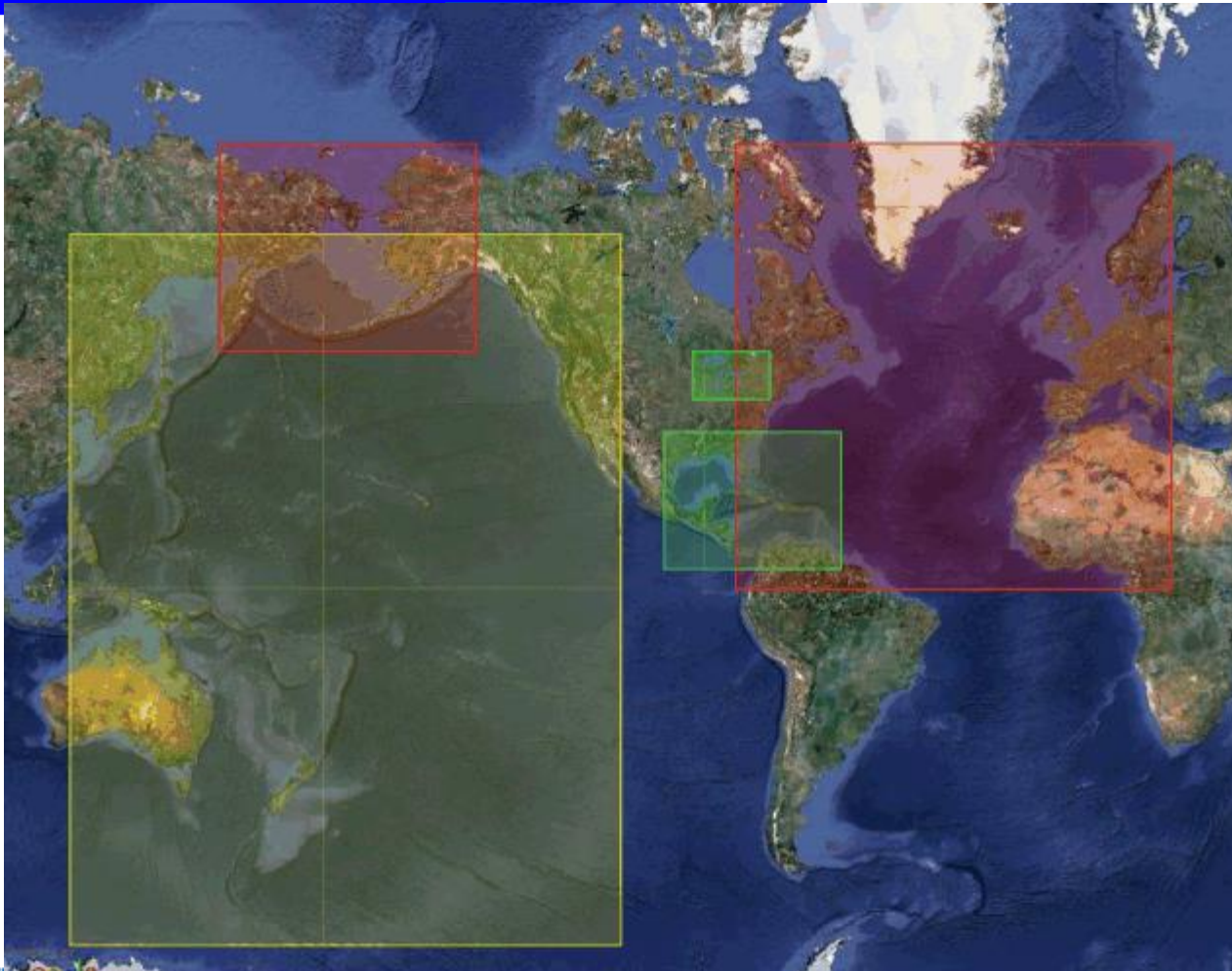
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MM DD	TIME (CDT)	WVHT ft	SwH ft	SwP sec	SwD	WWH ft	WWP sec	WWD	STEEPNESS	APD sec
06 24 6:00 am		3.6	3.6	7.1	ENE	1.3	3.6	-	AVERAGE	5.5
06 24 5:00 am		3.9	3.6	5.9	ENE	1.3	3.7	-	STEEP	5.3
06 24 4:00 am		3.9	3.6	7.1	ENE	1.6	4.3	-	AVERAGE	5.1
06 24 3:00 am		4.3	3.9	6.7	ENE	1.6	3.6	-	STEEP	5.2
06 24 2:00 am		4.3	3.9	6.7	ENE	1.6	4.2	-	STEEP	5.2
06 24 1:00 am		4.3	3.9	6.7	NE	2.0	4.3	-	STEEP	5.0
06 24 12:00 am		4.3	3.3	6.7	ENE	2.6	5.0	NE	STEEP	5.1
06 23 11:00 pm		4.9	3.9	7.1	ENE	2.6	5.0	NE	STEEP	5.2
06 23 10:00 pm		4.6	3.6	6.7	ENE	3.3	4.3	-	STEEP	5.0
06 23 9:00 pm		4.9	0.0	-	-	4.9	6.2	ENE	STEEP	5.2
06 23 8:00 pm		4.6	1.0	8.3	E	4.6	6.7	ENE	STEEP	5.0
06 23 7:00 pm		4.9	3.6	7.1	ENE	3.3	5.9	NE	STEEP	5.3
06 23 6:00 pm		4.6	3.3	6.7	ENE	3.3	5.6	ENE	STEEP	5.2
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06 23 12:00 pm		4.6	3.6	7.7	ENE	3.0	5.6	NE	AVERAGE	5.5
06 23 10:00 am		4.9	4.3	7.7	ENE	2.6	5.3	NE	AVERAGE	5.8
06 23 9:00 am		4.9	3.9	7.1	ENE	3.0	5.3	NE	STEEP	5.5
06 23 8:00 am		5.6	4.3	7.1	ENE	3.6	5.6	NE	STEEP	5.7
06 23 7:00 am		5.2	3.6	8.3	ENE	3.6	5.6	NE	AVERAGE	5.4

[Plot of wave energy versus frequency \(and period\)](#)

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