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THE MOTION OF A HALF-PLANE SEA UNDER  
INFLUENCE OF A NON-STATIONARY WIND

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§ 1. Fundamental equations

We consider a half-plane sea  $y > 0$ . If the components of the total stream parallel and normal to the coast are  $w_x$  and  $w_y$ , and if  $\zeta$  is the elevation of the disturbed surface their Laplace transform satisfy the equations

$$\begin{aligned} (p+\lambda)\bar{w}_x - \Omega\bar{w}_y + c^2\frac{\partial\bar{\zeta}}{\partial x} &= \frac{1}{e}\bar{w}_x \\ (p+\lambda)\bar{w}_y + \Omega\bar{w}_x + c^2\frac{\partial\bar{\zeta}}{\partial y} &= \frac{1}{e}\bar{w}_y \\ \frac{\partial\bar{w}_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial\bar{w}_y}{\partial y} + p\bar{\zeta} &= 0, \end{aligned} \quad 1-1$$

and the boundary condition

$$y = 0 \quad \bar{w}_y = 0. \quad 1-2$$

$W_x$  and  $W_y$  are the components of the wind and throughout this report it is assumed that  $W_x$  and  $W_y$  do not depend upon  $x$ .

As a consequence of this the equations (1-1) have a solution for which  $w_x$ ,  $w_y$  and  $\zeta$  are also independent of  $x$  and hence 1-1 reduces to

$$\begin{aligned} (p+\lambda)\bar{w}_x - \Omega\bar{w}_y &= \frac{1}{e}\bar{w}_x \\ (p+\lambda)\bar{w}_y + \Omega\bar{w}_x + c^2\frac{\partial\bar{\zeta}}{\partial y} &= \frac{1}{e}\bar{w}_y \\ \frac{\partial\bar{w}_y}{\partial y} + p\bar{\zeta} &= 0. \end{aligned} \quad 1-3$$

Elimination of  $\bar{w}_x$  and  $\bar{\zeta}$  gives

$$\frac{\partial^2\bar{w}_y}{\partial y^2} - k^2\bar{w}_y = \bar{F}, \quad 1-4$$

where

$$k^2 = \frac{p\{(p+\lambda)^2 + \Omega^2\}}{c^2(p+\lambda)}, \quad 1-5$$

and

$$\bar{F} = \frac{p}{ec^2(p+\lambda)} \left\{ \Omega\bar{w}_x - (p+\lambda)\bar{w}_y \right\}. \quad 1-6$$



The solution of 1-4 with the boundary condition of  $y = 0$  and which also vanishes at infinity is

$$\bar{w}_y = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^{-k(y+\eta)} - e^{-k|y-\eta|}}{2k} \bar{F}(\eta) d\eta . \quad 1-7$$

Next,  $\bar{w}_x$  and  $\bar{\zeta}$  can be found from

$$\bar{w}_x = \frac{\Omega}{p+\lambda} \bar{w}_y + \frac{\bar{W}_x}{p+\lambda} , \quad 1-8$$

$$\bar{\zeta} = - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \bar{w}_y}{\partial y} . \quad 1-9$$

If  $W_x$  and  $W_y$  do not depend of  $y$ , so that we have a uniform windfield, 1-7 may be simplified since also  $\bar{F}(\eta)$  does not depend of  $\eta$ . Without difficulty we obtain

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \bar{w}_y = - \frac{1 - e^{-ky}}{k^2} \bar{F} , \\ \bar{\zeta} = \frac{e^{-ky}}{k} \frac{\bar{F}}{p} . \end{array} \right. \quad 1-10$$

and

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \bar{w}_y = - \frac{1 - e^{-ky}}{k^2} \bar{F} , \\ \bar{\zeta} = \frac{e^{-ky}}{k} \frac{\bar{F}}{p} . \end{array} \right. \quad 1-11$$

In particular we shall consider a wind with a constant direction

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} W_x = - c w(t) \cos \alpha , \\ W_y = - c w(t) \sin \alpha , \end{array} \right. \quad 1-12$$

where  $\alpha$  is the direction of the wind with respect to the coast, so that  $0 < \alpha < \pi$  corresponds to seawind, and where  $w(t)$  is a positive function representing the intensity of the wind.

If we take 1-12 the expression 1-6 for  $\bar{F}$  becomes

$$\bar{F} = \frac{p\bar{w}}{c(p+\lambda)} \left\{ -\Omega \cos \alpha + (p+\lambda) \sin \alpha \right\} , \quad 1-13$$

and the expression 1-11 for  $\bar{\zeta}$  becomes

$$\bar{\zeta} = \frac{(p+\lambda)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{p^{\frac{1}{2}} \left\{ (p+\lambda)^2 + \Omega^2 \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}}} \left( \sin \alpha - \frac{\Omega}{p+\lambda} \cos \alpha \right) \bar{w} e^{-ky} . \quad 1-14$$

If  $\Omega = 0$  1-14 becomes

$$\bar{\zeta} = \frac{\bar{w} \sin \alpha e^{-ky}}{p^{\frac{1}{2}} (p+\lambda)^{\frac{1}{2}}} . \quad 1-15$$



The following generalization might be of interest. We consider a windfield which is uniform in the strip  $0 < y < b$  but which vanishes outside this strip.

The expressions for  $\bar{w}_y$  and  $\bar{\zeta}$  become in this case

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \bar{w}_y = - \frac{(1-e^{-ky}) + e^{-ky} \operatorname{sh} ky}{k^2} \bar{F}, \quad 0 < y < b, \\ \bar{\zeta} = \frac{e^{-ky} - e^{-kb} \operatorname{ch} ky}{k} \frac{\bar{F}}{p}, \quad 0 < y < b. \end{array} \right. \quad 1-16$$

If the windfield 1-12 is chosen the expression for  $\bar{\zeta}$  may be written as

$$\bar{\zeta} = \frac{(p+\lambda)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{p^{\frac{1}{2}} \{ (p+\lambda)^2 + \Omega^2 \}^{\frac{1}{2}}} (\sin \alpha - \frac{\Omega}{p+\lambda} \cos \alpha) \bar{w} (e^{-ky} - e^{-kb} \operatorname{ch} ky). \quad 1-18$$

## § 2. A uniform wind of constant direction

According to 1-14 the Laplace transform of the elevation due to a uniform wind of constant direction in a half-plane sea can be represented by

$$\bar{\zeta}(y) = \bar{\varphi} \cdot \bar{\psi}, \quad y \geq 0 \quad 2-1$$

where

$$\bar{\varphi} = (\sin \alpha - \frac{\Omega}{p+\lambda} \cos \alpha) \bar{w}, \quad 2-2$$

and

$$\bar{\psi}(y) = \frac{(p+\lambda)^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{-ky}}{p^{\frac{1}{2}} \{ (p+\lambda)^2 + \Omega^2 \}^{\frac{1}{2}}}. \quad 2-3$$

According to the convolution theorem of Laplace transforms we have

$$\zeta(y, t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi(\tau) \psi(y, t-\tau) d\tau. \quad 2-4$$

The original of  $\bar{\varphi}$  is

$$\varphi(t) = \sin \alpha w(t) - \Omega \cos \alpha e^{-\lambda t} \int_{-\infty}^t e^{\lambda \tau} w(\tau) d\tau. \quad 2-5$$

The original of  $\bar{\psi}$  can be determined by elementary methods only in the case  $y = 0$ . We have

$$\bar{\psi}(0) = \frac{(p+\lambda)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{p^{\frac{1}{2}} \{ (p+\lambda)^2 + \Omega^2 \}^{\frac{1}{2}}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{p^2 + \lambda p}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{p^2 + \lambda p}} \left\{ 1 - \frac{p + \lambda}{\sqrt{(p+\lambda)^2 + \Omega^2}} \right\}.$$



It is well-known that

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{p^2 - a^2}} \doteq I_0(at) ,$$

and

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{p^2 + a^2}} \doteq J_0(at) .$$

From this we may derive by means of the elementary rules of the Laplace transformation

$$1 - \frac{p + \lambda}{\sqrt{(p + \lambda)^2 + \Omega^2}} \doteq e^{-\lambda t} \Omega J_1(\Omega t) ,$$

and

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{p^2 + \lambda p}} = e^{-\frac{\lambda}{2}t} I_0\left(\frac{\lambda}{2}t\right) .$$

Thus we have for  $\psi(0, t)$  the following expression

$$\psi(0, t) = e^{-\frac{\lambda}{2}t} I_0\left(\frac{\lambda}{2}t\right) - \Omega \{ e^{-\lambda t} J_1(\Omega t) \} * \left\{ e^{-\frac{\lambda}{2}t} I_0\left(\frac{\lambda}{2}t\right) \right\} ,$$

or

$$\psi(0, t) = e^{-\frac{\lambda}{2}t} \left[ I_0\left(\frac{\lambda}{2}t\right) - \Omega \int_0^t e^{-\frac{\lambda}{2}\tau} J_1(\Omega \tau) I_0\left\{ \frac{\lambda}{2}(t - \tau) \right\} d\tau \right] . \quad 2-6$$

The elevation at the coast  $\zeta(0, t)$  may be found from 2-4, 2-5 and 2-6.

### §3. The subcase $\Omega = 0$

The Laplace transform of the elevation of the sea is given by 1-15 or

$$\bar{\zeta}(y) = \bar{w} \sin \alpha \cdot \frac{e^{-\frac{y}{c} \sqrt{p^2 + \lambda p}}}{\sqrt{p^2 + \lambda p}} . \quad 3-1$$

By means of the Laplace pair

$$\frac{e^{-b\sqrt{p^2 - a^2}}}{\sqrt{p^2 - a^2}} \doteq I_0(a\sqrt{t^2 - b^2}) U(t - b) \quad 3-2$$

it follows that

$$\Omega = 0: \quad \zeta(y, t) = \left\{ e^{-\frac{\lambda}{2}t} I_0\left(\frac{\lambda}{2} \sqrt{t^2 - \frac{y^2}{c^2}}\right) U\left(t - \frac{y}{c}\right) \right\} * w \sin \alpha , \quad 3-3$$

and in particular for  $y = 0$

$$\Omega = 0: \quad \zeta(0, t) = \left\{ e^{-\frac{\lambda}{2}t} I_0\left(\frac{\lambda t}{2}\right) \right\} * w \sin \alpha . \quad 3-4$$

It is clear that in this case the elevation is only influenced by the normal component of the wind. The tangential component does not affect the level of the sea but causes a stream along the coast which is determined by 1-3

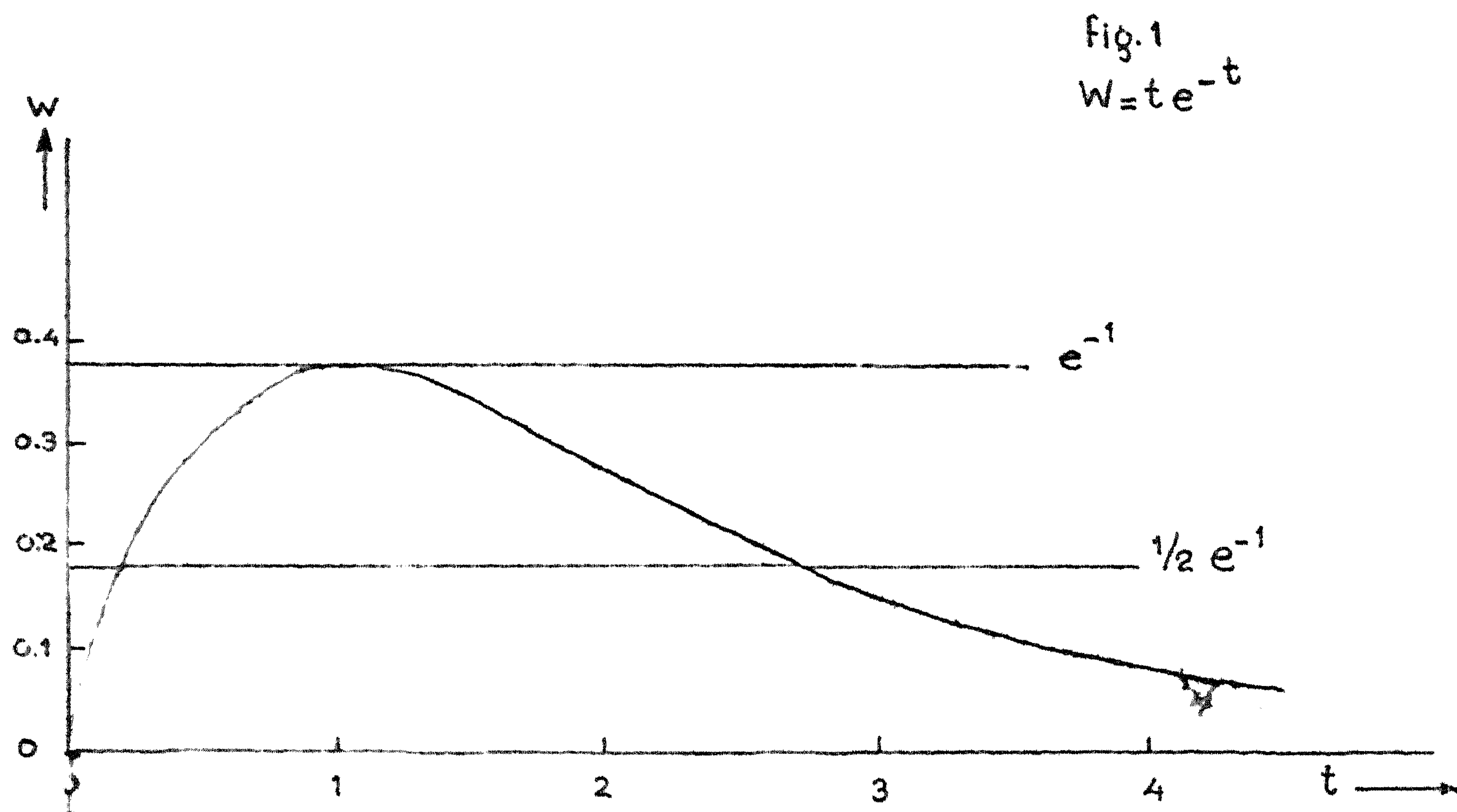
$$w_x = \frac{1}{\rho} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\lambda \tau} w_x(t-\tau) d\tau . \quad 3-5$$

#### 4. A particular windfield

We consider a windfield of the form 1-12, where

$$w(t) = m^2 t e^{-mt} . \quad 4-1$$

A graph of  $w(t)$  for  $m = 1$  is given in figure 1.





The maximum value of  $w(t)$  is reached at  $t = \frac{1}{m}$  and  $w_{\max} = me^{-1}$ . We shall sometimes write  $\frac{1}{m} = T$  since  $T$  has the physical meaning of being proportional to the duration of the storm. The time during which  $w(t)$  is above half its maximum is  $2.45T$  ( $0.23 < \frac{t}{T} < 2.68$ ).

The "energy" of the storm is proportional to  $\int_0^{\infty} w(t)dt$  which is constant, so that 4-1 represents storms of the same "energy" and variable duration.

For this particular windfield the factor  $\varphi(t)$  in §2 becomes

$$\begin{cases} \varphi(t) = \frac{\Omega \cos \alpha + (m-\lambda) \sin \alpha}{m-\lambda} mte^{-mt} - \frac{\Omega \cos \alpha}{(m-\lambda)^2} m(e^{-\lambda t} - e^{-mt}), & m \neq \lambda, \\ \varphi(t) = \lambda te^{-\lambda t} \sin \alpha - \frac{1}{2} \Omega \lambda t^2 e^{-\lambda t} \cos \alpha, & m = \lambda. \end{cases} \quad 4-2$$

The elevation at the coast for  $\Omega = 0$  becomes in this case, cf. 3-4

$$\Omega = 0: \quad \zeta(0, t) = m^2 e^{-mt} \int_0^t (t-\tau) e^{-(\frac{\lambda}{2}-m)\tau} I_0(\frac{\lambda\tau}{2}) d\tau \cdot \sin \alpha. \quad 4-3$$

The elevation at the coast for the limit case  $m \rightarrow \infty$  and for arbitrary  $\Omega$  might be of theoretical interest.

For  $m \rightarrow \infty$  we have  $\bar{w} \rightarrow 1$ , so that by means of 2-1 and 2-2

$$\bar{\zeta}(0) = (\sin \alpha - \frac{\Omega}{p+\lambda} \cos \alpha) \bar{\psi}(0),$$

so that

$$m \rightarrow \infty: \quad \zeta(0, t) = \sin \alpha \psi(0, t) - \Omega \cos \alpha e^{-\lambda t} \int_0^t e^{\lambda \tau} \psi(0, \tau) d\tau. \quad 4-4$$

## § 5. Expansions

By means of the expansion theorems of the Laplace transformation which state that an expansion of the image for small  $p$  (large  $p$ ) corresponds to an expansion of the original for large  $t$  (small  $t$ ) we may derive expressions for  $\zeta$  at the coast in the form of series which can be used for large  $t$  and small  $t$  respectively.

Generally spoken we may expect a convergent series in ascending powers of  $t$  which converges everywhere which has practical use only for small  $t$  such as the expansion of  $e^{-t}$  into a power series, and next we may expect an asymptotic series for large  $t$ .



If the windfield of the preceding section is taken we obtain from 1-18 for a half-plane sea

$$\bar{\zeta}(0,p) = (\sin \alpha - \frac{\Omega}{p+\lambda} \cos \alpha) \frac{m^2}{(p+m)^2} \frac{(p+\lambda)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{p^{\frac{1}{2}} \{(p+\lambda)^2 + \Omega^2\}^{\frac{1}{2}}} . \quad 5-1$$

There singularities at  $p = -\lambda$ ,  $p = -m$  and  $p = -\lambda \pm \Omega i$ . In the following section we shall take the numerical values  $\lambda = 0.08$ ,  $\Omega = 0.44$  and  $0.05 \leq m \leq 0.25$ . The practical use of the asymptotic expansion is restricted by the singularity which is nearest to the origin. This is practically the singularity at  $p = -\lambda$  due to the coefficient of friction. Thus an asymptotic series for large  $t$  is obtained which can be used only when the friction already has an appreciable effect i.e. when the storm is over and when the after-effect of the storm is damped out by the friction. The practical use of the convergent series for small  $t$  is restricted by the singularity which is most distant from the origin. This is at  $p = -\lambda \pm \Omega i$ . Since  $|\lambda \pm \Omega i|$  exceeds  $\lambda$  by a factor 5.6 there is an intermediate region where both expansions in the  $p$ -plane are bad. This region corresponds roughly to the time interval during which the Coriolis effect is already important and the friction has not yet damped out the elevation  $\zeta$ . However, the maximum height of the elevation  $\zeta(0,t)$  just occurs at this interval.

Thus we may expect that generally the maximum height of the elevation at the coast cannot be derived from the asymptotic expansion for large  $t$ , but that it may be obtained from the convergent expansion for small  $t$  if a sufficient number of terms is taken into account. In a particular case this number proved to be of the order of twenty!

It is sufficient to consider only the cases  $\alpha = 0^\circ$  and  $\alpha = 90^\circ$  since

$$\zeta(\alpha^\circ) = \sin \alpha \zeta(90^\circ) + \cos \alpha \zeta(0^\circ) . \quad 5-2$$

Next we shall derive an expansion for large  $p$ . It is a little more convenient to derive an expansion in powers of  $p+\lambda$  and we shall put

$$p + \lambda = \Omega s, \quad m - \lambda = \Omega \mu, \quad \lambda = \Omega \nu . \quad 5-3$$

We may write

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\zeta}(0^\circ) &= -\Omega^{-3} s^{-4} \left(1 + \frac{\nu}{s}\right)^{-2} \left(1 + \frac{\mu}{s}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \left(1 + \frac{1}{s^2}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \\ &= -\Omega^{-3} s^{-4} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n s^{-n} , \end{aligned} \quad 5-4$$



where  $a_0 = 1$ ,

$$\text{and } a_n = \sum_{k+l+2m=n} \binom{-2}{\kappa} \binom{-\frac{1}{2}}{l} \binom{-\frac{1}{2}}{m} \kappa^k (-\mu)^l \ell^m. \quad 5-5$$

The computation of the coefficients  $a_n$  is not difficult since  $\kappa$  and  $\mu$  are small and consequently higher powers of those quantities may be neglected.

The original of 5-4 is

$$\zeta(0^\circ, t) = -\Omega t^3 e^{-\lambda t} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{a_n \Omega^n t^n}{(n+3)!}. \quad 5-6$$

For  $\zeta(90^\circ)$  we obtain in a similar way

$$\zeta(90^\circ, t) = t^2 e^{-\lambda t} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{a_n \Omega^n t^n}{(n+2)!}. \quad 5-7$$

Both expansions are everywhere convergent but convergence is slow for large  $t$ , say  $t \gg 6$ .

## §6. A numerical case

Computations have been carried out for the case of a homogeneous windfield of the following form

$$w(t) = m^2 t e^{-mt}, \quad 6-1$$

where  $T = \frac{1}{m} = 4, 8, 12\frac{1}{2}, 16$  and  $20$  (hours).

The coefficients of friction and of Coriolis are

$$\lambda = 0.08 \quad \Omega = 0.44 \quad (\text{hours}^{-1}).$$

The elevation at the coast  $\zeta(0^\circ, t)$  has been calculated for  $\alpha = 0^\circ$  and  $\alpha = 90^\circ$  by means of 4-2, 2-6 and 2-4. In some cases the expansions 5-6 and 5-7 have been used for small  $t$ -values.

The function 6-1 is given in figure 1. It appears that a storm of this type increases rapidly to its extremum but decreases rather slowly afterwards.

In fig. 2-7 graphs of  $\zeta(t)$  have been given for the various  $T$ -values including also  $T = 0$ , the case of a sudden outburst of wind at  $t = 0$  in the sense of a Dirac deltafunction. For each  $T$  value  $\zeta$  has been plotted versus time for a number of  $\alpha$ -values

$$\alpha = 0^\circ \ 40^\circ \ 80^\circ \ 90^\circ \ 110^\circ \ 130^\circ \ 170^\circ.$$

From this the following points may be observed:



i  $\zeta(\alpha)$  attains the maximum positive elevation for  $\alpha = 170^\circ$  approximately so that the elevation at the coast is much more influenced by a wind which is tangential to the coast than by a wind which is normal to the coast.

ii after  $\zeta(t)$  has reached its peak, the elevation decreases gradually and in a slightly oscillatory way. For small  $T$  the oscillations become more pronounced as we may see from fig. 2 where  $T = 0$ . These oscillations have a period of about  $2\pi/\Omega$ . They correspond in the analytical expression of the Laplace transform of  $\zeta(t)$  to the singularities at  $p = -\lambda \pm \Omega i$ .

iii the elevation reaches its peak value some time after the wind maximum. For the case  $T = 4$  the so-called time-lag has been plotted versus  $\alpha$  in fig. 11. For  $\alpha = 0^\circ$  there is a time-lag of about 8 hrs, for  $\alpha = 40^\circ$  it is even more. If  $\alpha$  is about  $70^\circ$   $\zeta$  has a positive extremum at about 5 hrs and a negative extremum at about 14 hrs which has nearly the same absolute value. If  $\alpha = 80^\circ$  the first extremum is already predominant and as  $\alpha$  increases the second extremum disappears into an oscillation.

In fig. 8  $\zeta(t)$  has been plotted for  $T = 4$ ,  $\Omega = 0$  and the  $\alpha$ -values  $10^\circ, 40^\circ, 50^\circ, 70^\circ, 90^\circ$ . We may compare these graphs with fig. 3 where the case  $T = 4$ ,  $\Omega = 0.44$  has been considered. The positive extrema have been plotted versus  $\alpha$  for  $\Omega = 0$  and  $\Omega = 0.44$  respectively in figure 9. We observe the remarkable fact that the influence of  $\Omega$  practically results into a shift in the  $\alpha$ -values of roughly  $80^\circ$ . The absolute value of the maximum elevation appears to be hardly affected.

Analytically this follows from the formulae

$$\Omega = 0 \quad \bar{\zeta} = \sin \alpha \frac{\bar{w}}{\sqrt{p(p+\lambda)}} ,$$

$$\text{and } \Omega \neq 0 \quad \bar{\zeta} = \sin(\alpha - \theta) \frac{\bar{w}}{\sqrt{p(p+\lambda)}} ,$$

$$\text{where} \quad \text{tg } \theta = \frac{\Omega}{p+\lambda} .$$

Finally in figure 10 we have plotted the total maximum of  $\zeta$ , i.e. for variable  $\alpha$  and time, versus the duration of the storm. Since storms of the same "energy" are considered, a short storm gives a higher value of  $\zeta_{\max}$  than a long storm since for a long storm the influence of the friction  $\lambda$  becomes more important.



## § 7. Generalizations

### A The influence of a windfield upon a canal

We consider the strip  $0 < y < b$  and a windfield  $W_x, W_y$  which does not depend on  $x$ . The differential equations are the same as those of §1 but we have a second boundary condition

$$y = b, \quad \bar{w}_y = 0$$

The solution becomes

$$\bar{w}_y = - \frac{\text{shky}}{k \text{shkb}} \int_0^b \text{shk}(b-\eta) \bar{F} d\eta + \frac{1}{k} \int_0^y \text{shk}(y-\eta) \bar{F} d\eta, \quad 7-1$$

or

$$\bar{w}_y = \frac{1}{2k \text{shkb}} \int_0^b \{ \text{chk}(y+\eta-b) - \text{chk}(|y-\eta|-b) \} \bar{F} d\eta. \quad 7-2$$

For  $b \rightarrow \infty$  7-2 gives again the solution 1-7 of the halfplane.

In the case of a uniform windfield

$$W_x = - \rho c w(t) \cos \alpha$$

$$W_y = - \rho c w(t) \sin \alpha$$

we find from 7-1

$$\bar{w}_y = \left\{ \frac{\text{shky}}{\text{shkb}} (1 - \text{chkb}) - (1 - \text{chky}) \right\} \frac{p}{k^2 c} \left( \sin \alpha - \frac{\Omega}{p+\lambda} \cos \alpha \right) \bar{w}, \quad 7-3$$

and next

$$\bar{\zeta}(y, p) = \frac{(p+\lambda)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{p^{\frac{1}{2}} \{ (p+\lambda)^2 + \Omega^2 \}^{\frac{1}{2}}} \left( \sin \alpha - \frac{\Omega}{p+\lambda} \cos \alpha \right) \bar{w} \frac{\text{chk}(b-y) - \text{chky}}{\text{shkb}}, \quad 7-4$$

and at the coast  $y = 0$

$$\bar{\zeta}(0, p) = \frac{(p+\lambda)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{p^{\frac{1}{2}} \{ (p+\lambda)^2 + \Omega^2 \}^{\frac{1}{2}}} \left( \sin \alpha - \frac{\Omega}{p+\lambda} \cos \alpha \right) \bar{w} \frac{e^{kb} - 1}{e^{kb} + 1}. \quad 7-5$$

We may develop  $\frac{e^{kb} - 1}{e^{kb} + 1}$  into a series

$$1 - 2e^{-kb} + 2e^{-2kb} - 2e^{-3kb} \dots$$

The first term represents the disturbance due to the first coast  $y = 0$ ; the second term represents the disturbance due to the second coast  $y = b$ , the third term represents the reflection of the disturbance at  $y = 0$  with respect to the coast  $y = b$ , and generally the positive terms are the repeated reflection due to the disturbance of the first coast and the negative terms those of the second coast.



For  $e^{-mkb}$  we may write

$$e^{-\frac{mb}{c}(p+\frac{\lambda}{2})} \left\{ 1 - (\frac{\Omega^2}{2} - \frac{\lambda^2}{8}) \frac{mb}{c} \frac{1}{p+\lambda} + \dots \right\},$$

so that the influence of this term becomes noticeable after a delay of  $t = \frac{mb}{c}$ .

### B A half-plane sea with an exponentially increasing depth

We shall only consider the case of a uniform windfield of constant direction working upon the whole sea.

We put

$$h = h_0 e^{\beta y} \quad . \quad 7-6$$

If  $c^2$  now means  $gh_0$  the equations of motion become

$$\begin{aligned} (p+\lambda)\bar{w}_x - \Omega\bar{w}_y &= \frac{1}{c} \bar{w}_x \\ (p+\lambda)\bar{w}_y + \Omega\bar{w}_x + c^2 e^{\beta y} \frac{\partial \bar{\xi}}{\partial y} &= \frac{1}{c} \bar{w}_y \\ \frac{\partial \bar{w}_y}{\partial y} + p \bar{\xi} &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad 7-7$$

Elimination of  $\bar{w}_x$  and  $\bar{w}_y$  gives

$$\frac{\partial^2 \bar{\xi}}{\partial y^2} + \beta \frac{\partial \bar{\xi}}{\partial y} - e^{-\beta y} k^2 \bar{\xi} = 0, \quad 7-8$$

with the boundary condition

$$y = 0, \quad \frac{\partial \bar{\xi}}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{c^2} (\bar{w}_y - \frac{\Omega}{p+\lambda} \bar{w}_x). \quad 7-9$$

If we introduce the new variable  $u = e^{-\beta y}$ , 7-8 becomes

$$\frac{\partial^2 \bar{\xi}}{\partial u^2} = \frac{k^2}{\beta^2} \frac{\bar{\xi}}{u}, \quad 7-10$$

which has the general solution

$$\bar{\xi} = \frac{2k}{\beta} u^{\frac{1}{2}} \left\{ A I_1 \left( \frac{2k}{\beta} u^{\frac{1}{2}} \right) + B K_1 \left( \frac{2k}{\beta} u^{\frac{1}{2}} \right) \right\} \quad . \quad 7-11$$

For  $y \rightarrow \infty$  we have  $\bar{\xi} \rightarrow 0$  so that  $B = 0$ .



For  $y = 0$  7-9 becomes

$$\frac{2k^2 A}{\beta} I_0\left(\frac{2k}{\beta}\right) = \frac{1}{c^2} \left( -\bar{w}_y + \frac{\Omega}{p+\lambda} \bar{w}_x \right),$$

so that finally

$$\bar{\zeta}(y, p) = \frac{(p+\lambda)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{p^{\frac{1}{2}} \left\{ (p+\lambda)^2 + \Omega^2 \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}}} \left( \sin \alpha - \frac{\Omega}{p+\lambda} \cos \alpha \right) \bar{w} \frac{u^{\frac{1}{2}} I_1\left(\frac{2k}{\beta} u^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)}{I_0\left(\frac{2k}{\beta}\right)}. \quad 7-12$$

For  $\beta \rightarrow 0$  we have

$$\frac{u^{\frac{1}{2}} I_1\left(\frac{2k}{\beta} u^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)}{I_0\left(\frac{2k}{\beta}\right)} \approx \exp \left\{ \frac{2k}{\beta} \left( e^{-\frac{\beta}{2} y} - 1 \right) \right\} \rightarrow e^{-ky},$$

so that the result 1-15 of the first section is obtained.

If we consider the elevation at the coast and if  $\beta$  is small the last factor of 7-12 is approximately

$$\frac{I_1\left(\frac{2k}{\beta}\right)}{I_0\left(\frac{2k}{\beta}\right)} \approx \frac{1 - \frac{3\beta}{16k} \dots}{1 + \frac{\beta}{16k} \dots} \approx 1 - \frac{\beta}{4k} \quad 7-13$$

If  $t$  is not large we may replace  $k$  by  $\frac{1}{c}(p+\frac{\lambda}{2})$  and we may compare the elevation at  $y = 0$  for  $\beta \neq 0$  to that for  $\beta = 0$

$$\zeta_{\beta}(0, t) \approx \zeta_0(0, t) - \frac{\beta c}{4} e^{-\frac{\lambda}{2} t} \int_0^t e^{\frac{\lambda}{2} \tau} \zeta_0(\tau) d\tau. \quad 7-14$$

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