

## Lattice Boltzmann Method for Simulating Shallow Free Surface Flows involving Wetting and Drying

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### Abstract

Turbulent open channel flow and wave run-up at the coastal are studied using the lattice Boltzmann method. A lattice Boltzmann model for nonlinear shallow water equations with turbulence modelling (LABSWE<sup>TM</sup>), based on space-filtered Navier-Stokes equations with large eddy simulation and a subgrid-scale stress model for the unresolved scale stresses, is used to predict flow with eddy formation within complex channels. The effect of sidewall friction is also examined. Additionally, a lattice Boltzmann model for a moving shoreline is also developed. Here the lattice Boltzmann model is improved by incorporating two types of moving boundary techniques: thin film, and linear extrapolation. The study involves one- and two-dimensional long wave motions at a plane beach, around a circular island, and within a parabolic shaped basin. In each case, the computational results are compared against available results from laboratory experiments, analytical solutions, and alternative numerical methods. The results demonstrate that the lattice Boltzmann model is capable of handling properly complex free surface flow phenomena.

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# **List of Abbreviations and**

# **Symbols**

#### Abbreviations

1D	One dimensional
2D	Two dimensional
3D	Three dimensional
BGK	Bhatnagar-Gross-Krook model
CA	Cellular automata
CFL	Courant Friedricks-Lewey
CFD	Computational fluid dynamic

- FHP Model designed by Frisch, Hasslacher and Pomeau
- HPP Model designed by Hardy, de Pazzis and Pomeau
- LABSWE The lattice Boltzmann model for nonlinear shallow water equations
- LABSWE<sup>TM</sup> The lattice Boltzmann model for nonlinear shallow water equations with turbulence modelling
- LBM Lattice Boltzmann method
- LES Large eddy simulation
- LGCA Lattice gas cellular automata
- N-S Navier Stokes equations
- REV Reference element of volume
- RMSE Root mean-square error
- SGS Subgrid-scale stress model
- PDE Partial differential equations

#### **Symbols**

β	Beach slope	Degree
η	Free surface profile	m
ρ	Fluid density	$kg/m^3$

$ ho_a$	Air density	
$ ho_w$	Fluid density	
$ ho_0$	Constant density	
τ*	Shear stress	$N/m^2$
$ au_f$	Wall shear stress vector	
$ au_b$	Bed shear stress	$N/m^2$
τ <sub>w</sub>	Wind shear stress	$N/m^2$
τ	Single dimensionless relaxation time	
τ <sub>e</sub>	Eddy relaxation time	
$ au_t$	Total relaxation time	
μ	Dynamic viscosity	Pa.s
ν	Kinematic viscosity	m²/s
$ u_e$	Eddy viscosity	m²/s
$v_t$	Total viscosity	m²/s
ξ	Particle velocity	m/s
γ	Acceleration	$m/s^2$
δ	Thickness of boundary layer	m
$\delta_{lphaeta}$	Kronecker delta function	
$\epsilon$	Turbulent dissipation rate	$m^{2}/s^{3}$
$\Omega_{lpha}$	Collision operator	
σ	Cauchy stress	Ра
Δt	Time step	S

$\Delta x$	Lattice size in x direction	m
Δy	Lattice size in y direction	m
$\nabla$	Gradient operator	
ω	Earth's rotation	Rad/s
$\phi$	Earth's latitude	Degree
$\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3$	Momentum correction factor	
b	Spur-dike length normal to channel	m
	sidewall	
C <sub>b</sub>	Bed friction coefficient	
C <sub>e</sub>	Discrete velocity vector	
C <sub>f</sub>	Sidewalls friction coefficient	
C <sub>r</sub>	Courant number	
Cs	Smagorinsky constant	
C <sub>w</sub>	Wind resistant coefficient	
Cz	Chézy coefficient	
d	Water depth	m
D	Dry node	
e <sub>α</sub>	Velocity vector of particle in the $\alpha$ link	m
E <sub>i</sub>	Corialis term in <i>i</i> direction	
E <sub>R</sub>	Relative error	
f	Distribution function	m
f <sub>w</sub>	Wishbach resistance coefficient	

$f_x, f_y, f_z$	Body forces per unit mass	N/kg
fα	Particle distribution function in the $\alpha$ link	m
f <sub>a</sub> '	The value of $f_{\alpha}$ before streaming	m
f <sup>eq</sup>	Local equilibrium distribution function	m
F <sub>i</sub>	External force term in <i>i</i> direction	N
Fr	Froude number	
g	Gravitational acceleration	m/s²
Ĝ	Grid filter function	
h	Water depth	m
h <sub>0</sub>	Still water depth	m
Н	Solitary wave height	m
K <sub>B</sub>	Boltzmann constant	
K <sub>s</sub>	Nikuradse equivalent sand roughness	
Kn	Knudsen number	
ł	Characteristic length	
ls	Characteristic length scale	
L	Wave length	m
n	Manning roughness coefficient	
$n_b$	Bed Manning roughness coefficient	
N <sub>x</sub>	Total lattice number	
p	Pressure	Ра
$p_a$	Atmospheric pressure	Ра

Q	Flow discharge	m <sup>3</sup> /s
R	Height of wave run-up	m
<i>R</i> *	Ideal gas constant	J/Kmol
R'	Hydraulic radius	m
R <sub>e</sub>	Reynolds number	
S	Slope	
S <sub>ij</sub>	Magnitude of the large scale strain-rate	
	tensor	
t <sub>c</sub>	Time between particle collisions	sec
Т	Temperature	°C
u	Flow velocity in x-direction	m/s
u <sub>w</sub>	Wind velocity	m/s
U <sub>0</sub>	Averaged flow velocity	m/s
ν	Flow velocity in y-direction	m/s
V	Normalised fluid velocity	
w	Velocity in vertical direction	m/s
w <sub>α</sub>	Weighting factor in <i>i</i> direction	
w <sub>s</sub>	Free surface velocity in vertical direction	
w <sub>b</sub>	Channel bed velocity in vertical direction	
$W_0, W_1$	Width of channel	m
W <sub>1-8</sub>	Wet nodes	
x, y, z	Cartesian coordinates	

- x<sub>b</sub> Solid nodes
- $x_f$  Fluid nodes
- $z_b$  Bed elevation above datum

### **Chapter 1 Introduction**

#### 1.1 Background

Shallow water flows are often found in rivers, channels, coastal areas, estuaries and harbours. An understanding of such flows plays a very important role in hydraulic and civil engineering. The flows are characterised by dominant horizontal features and often described with the shallow water equations. The equations have been applied by numerous researchers [1-6] in various fields of studies including ocean, hydraulic and coastal engineering. For example, tidal flows [7], fluctuations in coastal regions [8,9], tsunami propagation [10-16] and free

surface flows [1,17] have been studied using models based on the shallow water equations.

Many research works have been done to study the mathematical and numerical model development for hydraulics. For example, Harlow and Welch [18] proposed staggered grid for variable arrangement for free surface pressure calculation. Grubert [19] introduced procedure for twodimensional (2D) shallow water flow computation. Later, a depthaveraged mathematical model for shallow water flows has been developed by McGuirk and Rodi [20]. It is only limited for a general situation due to small depth assumption in the model,

Several factors limit the numerical solution of the shallow water equations. One of the limits relates to the irregular topography data of shallow water regions [21]. In addition, the shallow water flows are subject to external forces such as the atmospheric pressure gradient, surface wind stress, tidal and Coriolis forces [4]. As the shallow water equations comprise coupled, non-linear partial differential equations, it is difficult to obtain an accurate solution for a system involving a complicated physical domain.

Many numerical methods have been used to discretise the shallow water equation. These include the finite difference method (FDM), the finite volume method (FVM) and the finite element method (FEM).

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Abbott and Ionescu [22] provided solution for shallow water flow problems using the FDM. The solution is modified and extended into 2D depth-averaged flow by Falconer [23] who studied tidal problems for harbours. A semi-implicit form of FDM for 2D shallow water equations is proposed by Casulli [24]. For unsteady flow problem, Glaister [25] solved 2D unsteady shallow water equations using an approximate Riemann solver based on the FDM and operator splitting technique. Toro [26] proposed a treatment method for unsteady flow using ADI approach, which is a time and space-operator splitting technique to reduce 2D problems to one-dimensional (1D) for solution. Alcrudo and Garcia-Navarro [27] improved Toro's method by redefining it on rectangular elements. Chippada et al. [28] constructed linear terms for the elevation variable. Aizinger and Dawson [29] proposed a Godunov-type method defined on triangular elements.

On the other hand, the lattice Boltzmann method (LBM) was originally created to model flows governed by the N-S equations [30-34]. It has become a well established numerical method with increasing applications in computational fluid dynamics [35-37]. The method can be considered as a class of kinetic theory approaches, as based on a special discrete form of the Boltzmann equation [38]. The ability of the LBM to recover macroscopic governing equations (such as the N-S equations, the shallow water equations, and the diffusion equation) is unique [4]. In LBM, a

simplified description modelled on the kinetic theory of gases is used instead of the nonlinear differential equations of macroscopic fluid dynamics [21]. The LBM commonly uses the Chapman-Enskog expansion (a perturbation expansion in time and space) to represent the hydrodynamic behaviour. This technique describes slowly varying solutions of kinetic equations. The local nature of particle interactions and the transport of particle information make LBM suitable for parallel computing, while the easy implementation of boundary conditions makes the method flexible to apply to complicated geometric [4]. Furthermore, LBM has become an alternative to conventional numerical methods like FDMs, FEMs, and FVMs in computational fluid dynamics.

A wide range of problems can be modelled using LBM. For example, LBM has been successfully used to study wind-driven ocean circulation [39,40] and atmospheric circulation with ideal boundary conditions [41].

Numerical experiments have shown that the LBM based on shallow water model produces accurate results for rapidly and gradually varied open channel flow problems [39,40,42-46].

In addition to the large scale vertical flow structure created by the presence of bed topographic features (e.g. island and headlands) and large man-made structures (e.g. groynes), turbulence is very important in shallow flows [4]. For example, turbulence greatly affects erosion in

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waterways, leading to long-term change to the shape of the waterways. In addition to the need to include turbulent effects, numerical models should also take into account the effect of wall shear stress. It is well known that an understanding of the effect of friction force is important for applications in engineering fields such in the canal design, and the calculation of velocity distribution and sedimentation studies for open channels [47]. Friction affects flow characteristics like mean flows and turbulent motion [48]. Previous studies show that the majority of two dimensional (2D) depth-averaged numerical hydraulics models only take bed friction into consideration and overlook the sidewall friction factor. This is mainly due to the high proportional values between width and depth of channel for shallow water flow condition [49]. Only a few authors [50-54] applied sidewall friction in their numerical models. Molls et al. [55] have considered sidewall friction in a rectangular channel for depth-averaged flow numerical model by modifying the standard 2D friction slope equation. The modification involves distributing the sidewall friction across the channel. It works well for the relatively simple case of subcritical flow in a straight channel. Brufau [56] applied the proposed scheme to the simulation of dam break.

There are three zones that divide an ocean with respect to wave action; breaker zone, surf zone and swash zone. Beach run-up occurs when waves propagate up a beach slope into the swash zone [57]. Spontaneous

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geophysical activities such as underwater earthquakes and landslides can generate a massive and disastrous wave run-up. This can cause an extensive flooding and loss of life [51].

Many experimental, analytical and numerical studies have been done to understand and explain the phenomena, e.g., experimental and numerical studies for solitary wave run-up on a plane beach [54,58,59], solitary wave run-up around a conical island [52,60] and tsunami run-up due to submarine earthquake [10,14-16,52,61], etc. Wave oscillation in a parabolic basin is another important test that has been widely studied for validation of a numerical scheme [62-68].

In a wave run-up model, an algorithm must be implemented to request the moving shoreline at the wet-dry front during wave motion run-up and down.

Typical moving boundary algorithm include the slot technique (also known as the Priessmann slot) [69], and the thin film technique [70,71], the minimum friction depth [72]. Such techniques are continually under improvement in order to increase their stability and accuracy. Another common technique is the extrapolation method proposed by Sielecki and Wurtele [73], Titov and Synolakis [51] and Lynett et al. [64]. The kinematics of the moving front is ignored in this technique [74].

Many studies based on conventional numerical methods have been developed for the simulation of wave run-up. For example, Titov and Synolakis [51] developed a variable-grid finite difference formulation model called VTCS-2. This model enables calculation of wave run-up without the need to apply any ad-hoc coefficients. Fuhrman and Madsen [52] produced a numerical analysis of wave run-up based on a high-order Boussinesq-type approach. A regression approach for the extrapolation scheme through the wet-dry boundary is used for the moving shoreline. Yamazaki et al. [53] suggested a depth-integrated non-hydrostatic formulation in their numerical model. The model is equivalent to the Boussinesq equations for weak dispersive waves. For 1D numerical analysis, Mahdavi and Talebbeydokhti [54] utilized the altered Monotone Upstream-centred Schemes for Conservation Laws (MUSCL) scheme in the Runge-Kutta method. It provides highly accurate numerical solutions for shocks, discontinuities, or large gradient problems [75]. Although there are many approaches in the conventional numerical method available for wave run-up, very limited attempts have been made with the LBM. Frandsen [76] proposed a BGK lattice Boltzmann model in simulating 1D tsunami wave run-up at a plane beach. Turbulence or bed friction is not taken into consideration.

The present study focuses on the lattice Boltzmann model for nonlinear shallow water equations with turbulence modelling (LABSWE<sup>TM</sup>) [44],

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which aims to further explore the behaviour of flow condition in complex channel geometries and find a solution for the wave run-up conundrum.

### 1.2 Historical Background of the LBM

Due to the fast development of computer technology, simple finite discrete space-time models such as cellular automata (CA), lattice gas cellular automata (LGCA), and LBM, have been developed.

CA was first introduced by Ulam, Neumann and Zuse [34]. Ulam [77] simulated the growth of calculation pattern by using CA in 1D and 2D. Neumann [78] proposed a self-reproducing cellular automaton, which was further implemented by Signorini [79]. Later, Zuse [80] published an application of CA using a monograph experiment. Several of Zuse's formulations contributed to the first LGCA model, namely HPP [34].

CA is an algorithmic entity that can be computed using dual arithmetic [81]. It occupies a position on a lattice point in space and interacts with its immediate neighbours. The capability of CA in solving complex systems is impressive [79,82-85]. A formal definition of CA is as follows [34]:

- 1. CA involves regular arrangements of single cells, each with the same kind of state.
- 2. Each cell holds a finite number of discrete states.
- 3. The states are updated simultaneously at separate time levels.
- 4. Update rules in space and time are uniform and deterministic.
- 5. Evolution rules for a cell depend on the collection cells which immediate neighbourhood.

It is essential to model physical properties that conserve mass and momentum, so that accurate predictions from the model can be obtained. However, CA does not generally maintain conservation of mass or momentum. Only a small subset of CA has conservation properties [34].

By contrast, LGCA obeys certain conservation laws [32,81,86]. The method preserves mass and momentum, and it is easier to construct models with desired macroscopic properties.

Frisch et al. [87] developed the first LGCA model, named FHP, which was used to simulate flows based on the 2D N-S equations. FHP model was constructed on an equilateral triangular lattice [81]. The six-speed directions on the lattice include Boolean variables. An exclusion principle is applied to describe the state of a cell (i.e. 0 and 1 indicating the presence and absence of the particles respectively). This exclusion principle leads to the use of the Fermi-Dirac equilibrium distribution function.

A HPP lattice gas model for vector automata that based on a square grid was first described in 1973 by Hardy, Pomeau and de Pazzis [88]. However, this did not fulfil the requirement of rotational invariance, as evidenced by the square-shaped vortices produced by the HPP model. An FHP lattice gas model that fulfilled both requirements (i.e. the conservation of particle number and rotational invariance) was developed later on a hexagonal 2D lattice.

The improved LGCA equation involves streaming and collision steps:

$$n_{\alpha}(x + e_{\alpha}, t + 1) = n_{\alpha}(x, t) + \Omega_{\alpha}[n_{\alpha}(x, t)], \quad \alpha = 0, 1, \dots, M, \quad (1.1)$$

Where  $n_{\alpha}$  is a Boolean variable; x is the distance in the x-direction of a Cartesian coordinate system;  $e_{\alpha}$  is the velocity vector in the  $\alpha^{th}$  link; t is time;  $\Omega_{\alpha}$  is the collision operator and M is the number of links.

At every time step, the streaming step moves the particles to the new node. During a collision, the particles interact at a node and change their velocity directions according to the lattice pattern. These two steps simulate advection and dispersion respectively for macroscopic phenomena in physics [89]. In the FHP model, only two types of collision are considered; two-body collisions involving two particles and three-body collisions involving three particles. Figure 1.1 illustrates 2- and 3-particle collisions.



Figure 1.1 Illustration of 2-and 3-particle collisions.

Often, simulations generated with a LGCA are very noisy due to its Boolean nature [90]. Also, the numerical procedure involves probabilities which reduce the efficiency of LGCA. This leads naturally to the use the Boltzmann equation.

The Boltzmann equation is derived from the LGCA to overcome its difficulties. It deals with a continuous distribution function, which solely involves distributions at a single node.

$$f_{\alpha}(x + e_{\alpha}, t + 1) = f_{\alpha}(x, t) + \Omega_{\alpha}[f_{\alpha}(x, t)], \ \alpha = 0, 1, \dots, M$$
(1.2)

where  $f_{\alpha}$  is the particle distribution function.

Hereafter, this distribution function propagates to the next neighbour in the collision process. According to Dreweke [91], during a single discrete time step, particles from each cell in the domain stream into their neighbouring cells according to the local velocity vector, as shown in Figure 1.2.





In each neighbour cell, the particles collide with the other particles from the other surrounding cells. The results from these collisions are taken as the new particle distribution for the streaming process at the next discrete time step.

Based on the streaming and collision procedure, the Boltzmann equation can be written by neglecting the external forces as [91]:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \xi \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = Q(f, f), \tag{1.3}$$

where Q(f, f) consists of a complex integrodifferential expression, which can be simplified by the Bhatnagar-Gross-Krook (BGK) model as follows:

$$Q(f,f) = -\frac{1}{\tau} [f - f^{eq}].$$
(1.4)

By inserting equation (1.4) in (1.3), the Boltzmann equation with a single relaxation time approximation is obtained

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \xi \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = -\frac{1}{\tau} [f - f^{eq}], \qquad (1.5)$$

where  $\xi$  is the particle velocity, x is the site of the cell in the domain,  $\tau$  is relaxation time, and t is time.

The Maxwell-Boltzmann distribution function  $f^{eq}$  is used to calculate the values of the particle distribution.

To solve the Boltzmann equation (1.5) numerically, a finite number of velocities  $\mathbf{e}_{\alpha}$  in velocity space  $\xi$  are inserted into equation (1.5), which leads to:

$$\frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{e}_{\alpha} \cdot \frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial x} = -\frac{1}{\tau} [f_{\alpha} - f_{\alpha}^{\ eq}]. \tag{1.6}$$

For non-thermal fluids, Taylor series expansion is used to approximate the equilibrium functions in equation (1.6) leading to:

$$f_{\alpha} = \rho w_{\alpha} \left[ 1 + \frac{3}{e^2} \mathbf{e}_{\alpha} \cdot u + \frac{9}{2e^4} (\mathbf{e}_{\alpha} \cdot u)^2 - \frac{3}{2e^2} \cdot u^2 \right], \tag{1.7}$$

where  $e = \Delta x / \Delta t$ ;  $w_{\alpha}$  is a weighting factor, and  $\mathbf{e}_{\alpha}$  is a discrete velocity vector. Equation (1.7) can be simplified by discretizing  $\Delta x$  and  $\Delta t$ , such that e = 1. Hence,

$$f_{\alpha} = \rho w_{\alpha} \left[ 1 + 3\mathbf{e}_{\alpha} \cdot u + \frac{9}{2} (\mathbf{e}_{\alpha} \cdot u)^2 - \frac{3}{2} \cdot u^2 \right]$$
(1.8)

is obtained. The fluid density  $\rho(x,t)$  is calculated by adding up the particle distributions for each cell,

$$\rho(x,t) = \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha}(x,t).$$
(1.9)

The velocity of the domain can also be obtained by adding up the particle distributions with respect to the discrete velocities as follows:

$$\rho(x,t).u(x,t) = \sum_{i} \mathbf{e}_{\alpha}.f_{\alpha}(x,t). \qquad (1.10)$$

Sterling and Chen [92] were the first to derive the lattice Boltzmann equation as a special discretization of the Boltzmann equation (1.3).

In the process of discretization, the Boltzmann equation (1.3) is nondimensionalized in terms of characteristic length scale  $\ell$ , reference speed U, reference density  $n_r$ , and the time between particle collisions  $t_c$ ,

$$\frac{\partial \hat{f}_{\alpha}}{\partial \hat{t}} + \hat{\mathbf{e}}_{\alpha} \widehat{\nabla} \frac{\partial \hat{f}_{\alpha}}{\partial x} = -\frac{1}{\hat{t}\epsilon} \left( \hat{f}_{\alpha} - \hat{f}_{\alpha}^{\ eq} \right) \tag{1.11}$$

where  $\hat{\mathbf{e}}_{\alpha} = \mathbf{e}_{\alpha}/U$ ,  $\hat{\nabla} = \ell \nabla_{\alpha}$ ,  $\hat{t} = t.U/\ell$ ,  $\hat{t} = \tau/t_c$ ,  $\hat{f}_{\alpha} = f_{\alpha}/n_r$ ,  $\epsilon = t_c.U/\ell$  and  $\Delta \hat{t} = \Delta t.U/\ell$ . The gradient operator  $\nabla_{\alpha}$  is defined as  $\nabla_{\alpha} = i \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + j \frac{\partial}{\partial y}$ . Therefore, the discretization of equation (1.11) are as follows:

$$\frac{\hat{f}_{\alpha}(\hat{x},\hat{t}+\Delta\hat{t})-\hat{f}_{\alpha}(\hat{x},\hat{t})}{\Delta\hat{t}}$$

$$+ \hat{e}_{\alpha x} \frac{\hat{f}_{\alpha}(\hat{x}+\Delta\hat{x},\hat{t}+\Delta\hat{t})-\hat{f}_{\alpha}(\hat{x},\hat{t}+\Delta\hat{t})}{\Delta\hat{x}}$$

$$+ \hat{e}_{\alpha y} \frac{\hat{f}_{\alpha}(\hat{x}+\Delta\hat{y},\hat{t}+\Delta\hat{t})-\hat{f}_{\alpha}(\hat{x},\hat{t}+\Delta\hat{t})}{\Delta\hat{y}}$$

$$+ \hat{e}_{\alpha z} \frac{\hat{f}_{\alpha}(\hat{x}+\Delta\hat{z},\hat{t}+\Delta\hat{t})-\hat{f}_{\alpha}(\hat{x},\hat{t}+\Delta\hat{t})}{\Delta\hat{z}}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\hat{t}\epsilon} \left(\hat{f}_{\alpha} - \hat{f}_{\alpha}^{eq}\right)$$
(1.12)

The process continues with dividing the lattice space by the time step  $\frac{\Delta \hat{x}}{\Delta \hat{t}} = \hat{e}_{\alpha x}, \frac{\Delta \hat{y}}{\Delta \hat{t}} = \hat{e}_{\alpha y}$  and  $\frac{\Delta \hat{z}}{\Delta \hat{t}} = \hat{e}_{\alpha z}$ , where it becomes Lagrangian in behaviour:

$$\frac{\hat{f}_{\alpha}(\hat{x},\hat{t}+\Delta\hat{t})-\hat{f}_{\alpha}(\hat{x},\hat{t})}{\Delta\hat{t}}$$

$$+\frac{\hat{f}_{\alpha}(\hat{x}+\hat{e}_{\alpha}\Delta\hat{t},\hat{t}+\Delta\hat{t})-\hat{f}_{\alpha}(\hat{x},\hat{t}+\Delta\hat{t})}{\Delta\hat{t}}$$

$$=\frac{\hat{f}_{\alpha}(\hat{x}+\hat{e}_{\alpha}\Delta\hat{t},\hat{t}+\Delta\hat{t})-\hat{f}_{\alpha}(\hat{x},\hat{t})}{\Delta\hat{t}}$$

$$=-\frac{1}{\hat{t}\epsilon}(\hat{f}_{\alpha}-\hat{f}_{\alpha}^{eq}),$$
(1.13)

where  $e_{\alpha} = \{e_{\alpha x}, e_{\alpha y}, e_{\alpha z}\}$ . By cancelling the two terms on the left hand side of above equation (1.13) and assuming  $\Delta t = t_c$ , multiplying equation (1.13) by  $\Delta \hat{t}$  and dropping all carets leads to the BGK lattice Boltzmann equation. This can explicitly be articulated as follows:

$$f_{\alpha}(x+e_{\alpha}\Delta t,t+\Delta t)-f_{\alpha}(x+t)=-\frac{1}{\tau}(f_{\alpha}-f_{\alpha}^{eq}).$$
(1.14)

### **1.3** Aims and Objectives

The primary objective of this research work is to improve the LBM for complex flows in geometries. The LBM application includes different types of free surface flows and long wave run-up problems. Turbulent flow circumstances, specifically eddy formation and flow patterns in open channels, are considered. The effect of friction at channel sidewalls, which is modelled using a semi-slip boundary condition along the channel walls, will also be examined. Two moving boundary techniques are coupled with LBM to predict the wave run-up phenomenon within inshore regions. Long wave motion analyses for one and two-dimensional problems are presented.

### **1.4** Outline of Thesis

Chapter 2 deals with the governing equations of fluid flow. It includes a brief introduction to the Navier-Stokes (N-S) equations. The theory of hydrodynamics related to shallow water equations in their conservative form (for depth-averaged properties of water flows with and without turbulence) is also reviewed.

In Chapter 3 describes, the details of the LBM for shallow water flow modelling with and without turbulence terms. The main characteristics of the lattice pattern and the type of local equilibrium distribution function that are commonly used in the method are also explained. The Chapman-Enskog procedure used to model the shallow water equations is explained in detail. In Chapter 4, various types of boundary conditions are described for wall and solid objects (e.g. no-slip, slip, etc) and inflow and outflow boundaries for the LBM.

Chapter 5 deals with schemes for the moving shoreline phenomenon in the lattice Boltzmann model. Use of thin film and linear extrapolation techniques is investigated.

The stability, errors and solution procedures of the lattice Boltzmann models are explained in Chapter 6.

The lattice Boltzmann model test results are presented and discussed in Chapter 7. The predicted results are compared with available experimental and analytical data. The tests are divided into three main studies: a) recirculating flows, b) sidewall friction and c) moving shoreline.

Finally, the conclusions of the thesis are presented in Chapter 8, followed by suggestions for future research.

# **Chapter 2 Governing**

## **Equations**

### 2.0 Introduction

The laws of conservation of mass and momentum are the most fundamental in physics. In a system that using the law conservation of momentum, the amount of momentum remains constant in it. It is neither created nor destroyed. It is only changed through the action of forces (Newton's laws of motion) [93]. Water flows obey the laws of conservation of mass and momentum. The continuity equation and the Navier-Stokes (N-S) equations are a general set of flow equations that are based on these laws of conservation. In this chapter, the governing equations, the N-S equations, and shallow water equations with and without turbulence terms are described.

### 2.1 Navier-Stokes Equations

The governing equations for incompressible flows are the threedimensional (3D) continuity and N-S equations [89]. The continuity equation is derived from the law of conservation of mass. The N-S equations arise from applying Newton's second law to a fluid element, together with the assumption that the fluid stress is the sum of a distributing viscous term proportional to the gradient of velocity and a pressure term [89].

Assuming the fluid is Newtonian and incompressible, the governing equations in Cartesian coordinates (see Figure 2.1) are as follows:



Figure 2. 1 Cartesian coordinate system: x, y represents a horizontal

plane and z the vertical direction.

• Continuity equation:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} = 0, \qquad (2.1)$$

• N-S equations in x, y and z components:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial uu}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial uv}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial uw}{\partial z}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \nu \left( \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2} \right) + f_x,$$
(2.2)

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial uv}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial vv}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial wv}{\partial z}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial y} + v \left( \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial z^2} \right) + f_y,$$
(2.3)

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial uw}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial vw}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial ww}{\partial z}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} + \nu \left( \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial z^2} \right) + f_z,$$
(2.4)

with u, v and w being the corresponding velocity components,  $f_x, f_y$  and  $f_z$  the body forces per unit mass in the particular direction,  $\rho$  the fluid density, t the time, v the kinematic viscosity and p the pressure.

The left-hand sides of equations (2.2)–(2.4) are local and nonlinear advective acceleration terms. Even though exact solutions for certain specific flows have been found, the equations do not have a general analytical solution due to the presence of the nonlinear terms [94]. Meanwhile, the right-hand sides of the equations include pressure, gravitational or body and viscous force terms.

#### 2.2 Shallow Water Equations

Water flows in rivers, channels, coastal areas, estuaries and harbours can be described and modelled with 3D or 2D shallow water equations. However, Stansby and Zhou [95] concluded that neither 3D nor 2D shallow water equations can predict the velocity in vertical direction accurately. Bearing this disadvantage in mind, the 2D shallow water equations are widely used as a mathematical model for shallow water flows [4], and as such, the current study also uses the 2D shallow water equations.

The 2D governing equations for shallow water flows can be derived from the general equations of continuity and the N-S equations (2.1) - (2.4). There are two body forces involved for water flows on the earth, which are gravity in the vertical direction and Coriolis acceleration in the horizontal plane [96]. They can be represented by equations (2.5) - (2.7)as follows [4]:

$$f_x = f_c v, \tag{2.5}$$

$$f_y = -f_c u, \tag{2.6}$$

$$f_z = -g, \tag{2.7}$$

where  $g = 9.81 m/s^2$  and  $f_c = 2\omega \sin \phi$  are the gravitational acceleration and Coriolis parameter respectively.  $\phi$  is the latitude of the

location on Earth and  $\omega \approx 7.3 \times 10^{-5} rad/s$  is the Earth's rotational velocity. Accordingly, u and v are the velocity components in x and y directions.

In determining the continuity equation in depth-averaged cases, equation (2.1) is integrated over depth, based on Figure 2.2 as follows:

$$\int_{z_b}^{h+z_b} \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \right) dz = 0,$$
(2.8)

$$\int_{z_b}^{h+z_b} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} dz + \int_{z_b}^{h+z_b} \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} dz + w_s - w_b = 0, \qquad (2.9)$$

where  $w_s$  and  $w_b$  are the vertical velocities at the free surface and channel bed, respectively. *h* is the water depth and  $z_b$  is the bed elevation above the datum.



Figure 2. 2 The sketch of shallow water.

In the derivation, the first and second terms on the left hand side of equation (2.9) can be written according to Leibnitz's rule:

$$\int_{z_b}^{h+z_b} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} dz = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \int_{z_b}^{h+z_b} u dz - u_s \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (h+z_b) + u_b \frac{\partial z_b}{\partial x}, \qquad (2.10)$$

$$\int_{z_b}^{h+z_b} \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} dz = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \int_{z_b}^{h+z_b} v dz - v_s \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (h+z_b) + v_b \frac{\partial z_b}{\partial y}.$$
 (2.11)

By inserting the equations (2.10) and (2.11) into (2.9) the following equation is obtained:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \int_{z_b}^{h+z_b} u dz + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \int_{z_b}^{h+z_b} v dz \qquad (2.12)$$

$$+ \left[ w_s - u_s \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (h+z_b) - v_s \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (h+z_b) \right]$$

$$- \left( w_b - u_b \frac{\partial z_b}{\partial x} - v_b \frac{\partial z_b}{\partial y} \right) = 0.$$

The kinematic conditions at the free surface and channel bed are described respectively as follows:

$$w_s = \frac{\partial}{\partial t}(h + z_b) + u_s \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(h + z_b) + v_s \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(h + z_b), \qquad (2.13)$$

$$w_b = \frac{\partial z_b}{\partial t} + u_b \frac{\partial z_b}{\partial x} + v_b \frac{\partial z_b}{\partial y}.$$
 (2.14)

As a result, the continuity equation for shallow water flows for depthaveraged cases is obtained by insertion of equations (2.13) and (2.14) into (2.12),

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (h\bar{u})}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial (h\bar{v})}{\partial y} = 0, \qquad (2.15)$$

where  $\bar{u}$  and  $\bar{v}$  are depth-averaged velocity components defined as:

$$\bar{u} = \frac{1}{h} \int_{z_b}^{h+z_b} u dz, \qquad (2.16)$$

$$\bar{v} = \frac{1}{h} \int_{z_b}^{h+z_b} v dz,$$
 (2.17)

For the momentum equation in x-direction, equation (2.2) is integrated over the depth as follows:

$$\int_{z_{b}}^{h+z_{b}} \left[ \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (uu)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial (vu)}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial (wu)}{\partial z} \right] dz$$

$$= \int_{z_{b}}^{h+z_{b}} f_{x} v dz$$

$$+ \int_{z_{b}}^{h+z_{b}} \left[ -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + v \left( \frac{\partial^{2} u}{\partial x^{2}} + \frac{\partial^{2} u}{\partial y^{2}} + \frac{\partial^{2} u}{\partial z^{2}} \right) \right] dz.$$
(2.18)

Based on the Leibnitz rule, the first three terms on the left hand side of equation (2.18) become

$$\int_{z_b}^{h+z_b} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} dz = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{z_b}^{h+z_b} u dz - u_s \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (h+z_b) + u_b \frac{\partial z_b}{\partial t},$$
(2.19)

$$\int_{z_{b}}^{n+z_{b}} \frac{\partial uu}{\partial x} dz = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \int_{z_{b}}^{n+z_{b}} uudz - u_{s}u_{s} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (h+z_{b}) + u_{b}u_{b} \frac{\partial z_{b}}{\partial x},$$
(2.20)

and

$$\int_{z_{b}}^{h+z_{b}} \frac{\partial vu}{\partial y} dz = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \int_{z_{b}}^{h+z_{b}} vu dz - v_{s} u_{s} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (h+z_{b})$$

$$+ v_{b} u_{b} \frac{\partial z_{b}}{\partial y}.$$
(2.21)

The last term on the equation (2.18) can be integrated to give:

$$\int_{z_b}^{h+z_b} \frac{\partial wu}{\partial z} dz = w_s u_s - w_b u_b.$$
(2.22)

Equations (2.19) – (2.22) after rearranging yield:

$$\int_{z_{b}}^{h+z_{b}} \left[ \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (uu)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial (vu)}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial (wu)}{\partial z} \right] dz$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{z_{b}}^{h+z_{b}} udz + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \int_{z_{b}}^{h+z_{b}} uudz$$

$$+ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \int_{z_{b}}^{h+z_{b}} vudz$$

$$+ u_{s} \left[ w_{s} - \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (h + z_{b}) - u_{s} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (h + z_{b}) \right]$$

$$- v_{s} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (h + z_{b}) \right]$$

$$- u_{b} \left( w_{b} - \frac{\partial z_{b}}{\partial t} - u_{b} \frac{\partial z_{b}}{\partial x} - v_{b} \frac{\partial z_{b}}{\partial y} \right).$$

$$(2.23)$$

According to the kinematic conditions and depth-averaged velocity components of equations (2.13), (2.14) and (2.16) – (2.17) respectively, the above expression can be simplified to

$$\int_{z_{b}}^{h+z_{b}} \left[ \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (uu)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial (vu)}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial (wu)}{\partial z} \right] dz$$

$$= \frac{\partial (\bar{u}h)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \int_{z_{b}}^{h+z_{b}} uudz + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \int_{z_{b}}^{h+z_{b}} vudz.$$
(2.24)

By considering the second mean value theorem for integrals, the second and third terms of the right hand side of equation (2.24) can be expressed as:

$$\int_{z_b}^{h+z_b} uudz = \check{u}_1 \int_{z_b}^{h+z_b} udz = \check{u}_1 h\bar{u},$$
(2.25)

$$\int_{z_b}^{h+z_b} v u dz = \check{u}_2 \int_{z_b}^{h+z_b} v dz = \check{u}_2 h \bar{v}.$$
 (2.26)

Equations (2.25) and (2.26) are inserted into equation (2.24) by assuming  $\check{u}_1 = \theta_1 \bar{u}$  and  $\check{u}_2 = \theta_2 \bar{u}$ . Hence, resulting in

$$\int_{z_{b}}^{h+z_{b}} \left[ \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (uu)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial (vu)}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial (wu)}{\partial z} \right] dz$$

$$= \frac{\partial (h\bar{u})}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (\theta_{1}h\bar{u}\bar{u})}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial (\theta_{2}h\bar{v}\bar{u})}{\partial y},$$
(2.27)

here,  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$  are called the momentum correction factors. These can be described based on equation (2.25) and (2.26) as:

$$\theta_1 = \frac{1}{h\bar{u}\bar{u}} \int_{z_b}^{h+z_b} uudz, \qquad (2.28)$$

$$\theta_2 = \frac{1}{h\bar{v}\bar{u}} \int_{z_b}^{h+z_b} v u dz.$$
(2.29)

Equation (2.27) can be similarly expressed for the momentum equation in y direction (equation (2.3)). Thus, we obtain

$$\int_{z_b}^{h+z_b} \left[ \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (uv)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial (vv)}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial (wv)}{\partial z} \right] dz$$

$$= \frac{\partial (h\bar{v})}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (\theta_2 h\bar{u}\bar{v})}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial (\theta_3 h\bar{v}\bar{v})}{\partial y},$$
(2.30)

where the additional momentum correction factor  $\theta_3$  is defined as:

$$\theta_3 = \frac{1}{h\bar{v}\bar{v}} \int_{z_b}^{h+z_b} vvdz.$$
(2.31)

The reason that flow separation in the vertical direction is excluded in the 2D shallow water equations is related to the use of the second mean value theorem. This implies no change in the horizontal velocity components u and v over the water depth h at time t i.e.,  $u(x, y, z, t) \ge 0$  or u(x, y, z, t) < 0 is held from channel bed to free surface at the horizontal location (x, y), and so is v(x, y, z, t).

In the momentum equation (2.18), the first term on the right hand side, Coriolis force, can be integrated as:

$$\int_{z_b}^{h+z_b} f_c v dz = f_c h \bar{v}.$$
(2.32)

Since the vertical acceleration in shallow water flows becomes unimportant compared with the horizontal effect [4], the momentum equation (2.2) – (2.4) in the vertical direction is reduced, with  $w \approx 0$ , to

$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial z} = -\rho g. \tag{2.33}$$

By integrating this, we obtain

$$p = -\rho g z + C, \qquad (2.34)$$

where C is the integration constant. By assuming that the pressure at the free surface in equation (2.34) is atmospheric pressure  $p_a$ ,

$$C = \rho g(h + z_b) + p_a.$$
 (2.35)

Inserting equation (2.35) into (2.34) yields:

$$p = \rho g(h + z_b - z) + p_a.$$
(2.36)

In modelling hydraulic problems in a coastal, estuarine, etc, situation the atmospheric pressure  $p_a$  is always set as zero. This is due to the insignificant differences in atmospheric pressure at the water surface in practical situations [4]. Thus, equation (2.36) becomes a hydrostatic pressure approximation in shallow water flows such that:

$$p = \rho g(h + z_b - z).$$
 (2.37)

Differentiating equation (2.37) with respect to x yields

$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} = \rho g \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (h + z_b). \tag{2.38}$$

The water depth h and the bed height  $z_b$  are not dependent on the vertical direction [4]. Hence, we obtain

$$\int_{z_b}^{h+z_b} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} dz = \frac{h}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x}.$$
(2.39)

Substituting (2.38) into (2.39) yields:

$$\int_{z_b}^{h+z_b} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} dz = gh \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (h+z_b).$$
(2.40)

With the same procedure as above, the third and fourth terms on the right hand side of equation (2.18) can be expressed respectively as:

$$\int_{z_{b}}^{h+z_{b}} v \frac{\partial^{2} u}{\partial x^{2}} dz \approx v \frac{\partial^{2} (h\bar{u})}{\partial x \partial x},$$

$$\int_{z_{b}}^{h+z_{b}} v \frac{\partial^{2} u}{\partial y^{2}} dz \approx v \frac{\partial^{2} (h\bar{u})}{\partial y \partial y}.$$
(2.41)
(2.41)
(2.42)

On the right hand side of equation (2.18), the last term can be derived as:

$$\int_{z_b}^{h+z_b} v \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2} dz = \left( v \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \right)_s - \left( v \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \right)_b.$$
(2.43)

The first and second terms on the right hand side of equation (2.43) can be approximated with the surface wind shear stress and the bed shear stress in x direction, respectively, as follows:

$$\left(\nu \frac{\partial u}{\partial z}\right)_s = \frac{\tau_{wx}}{\rho},\tag{2.44}$$

$$\left(\nu \frac{\partial u}{\partial z}\right)_b = \frac{\tau_{bx}}{\rho}.$$
(2.45)

Thus, equation (2.43) becomes

$$\int_{z_b}^{h+z_b} v \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2} dz = \frac{\tau_{wx}}{\rho} - \frac{\tau_{bx}}{\rho}.$$
(2.46)

Insertion of equations (2.27), (2.32), (2.40) – (2.42) and (2.46) into (2.18) leads to the following momentum equation for shallow water flow in the x-direction.

$$\frac{\partial(h\bar{u})}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(\theta_1 h\bar{u}\bar{u})}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(\theta_2 h\bar{v}\bar{u})}{\partial y}$$

$$= -g \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{h^2}{2}\right) + v \frac{\partial^2(h\bar{u})}{\partial x \partial x} + v \frac{\partial^2(h\bar{u})}{\partial y \partial y}$$

$$-gh \frac{\partial z_b}{\partial x} + f_c h\bar{v} + \frac{\tau_{wx}}{\rho} - \frac{\tau_{bx}}{\rho}.$$

$$(2.47)$$

A similar derivation can be applied in the y-direction, leading to the ymomentum equation for shallow water flow,

$$\frac{\partial(h\bar{v})}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(\theta_2 h\bar{u}\,\bar{v})}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(\theta_3 h\bar{v}\,\bar{v})}{\partial y}$$

$$= -g \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{h^2}{2}\right) + v \frac{\partial^2(h\bar{v})}{\partial x \partial x} + v \frac{\partial^2(hv)}{\partial y \partial y}$$

$$-gh \frac{\partial z_b}{\partial y} + f_c h\bar{u} + \frac{\tau_{wy}}{\rho} - \frac{\tau_{by}}{\rho}.$$

$$(2.48)$$

The momentum correction factors  $\theta_1$ ,  $\theta_2$  and  $\theta_3$  can be determined by equations (2.28), (2.29) and (2.31) if velocity profiles for u and v are known. However, this may be difficult for flows involving circulation, or flows in complex geometry channels, for which no valid velocity profile is available [4]. Therefore, these momentum correction factors are frequently assumed to be equal to one in numerical analogues for shallow water flows. This has been found to provide a good approximation in most situations [20,97,98]. Using  $\theta_1$ ,  $\theta_2$  and  $\theta_3 = 1$ , equations (2.47) and (2.48) lead to

$$\frac{\partial(h\bar{u})}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(h\bar{u}\bar{u})}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(h\bar{v}\bar{u})}{\partial y}$$

$$= -g \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{h^2}{2}\right) + v \frac{\partial^2(h\bar{u})}{\partial x \partial x} + v \frac{\partial^2(h\bar{u})}{\partial y \partial y} \\
-gh \frac{\partial z_b}{\partial x} + f_c h\bar{v} + \frac{\tau_{wx}}{\rho} - \frac{\tau_{bx}}{\rho}.$$

$$\frac{\partial(h\bar{v})}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(h\bar{u}\bar{v})}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(h\bar{v}\bar{v})}{\partial y}$$

$$= -g \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{h^2}{2}\right) + v \frac{\partial^2(h\bar{v})}{\partial x \partial x} + v \frac{\partial^2(hv)}{\partial y \partial y} \\
-gh \frac{\partial z_b}{\partial y} + f_c h\bar{u} + \frac{\tau_{wy}}{\rho} - \frac{\tau_{by}}{\rho}.$$
(2.49)

Hence, the continuity equation (2.15) and momentum equations (2.49) and (2.50) after dropping the overbars can be expressed in a tensor form as:

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (hu_j)}{\partial x_j} = 0, \qquad (2.51)$$

$$\frac{\partial(hu_i)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(hu_iu_j)}{\partial x_j} = -g\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}\left(\frac{h^2}{2}\right) + \nu\frac{\partial^2(hu_i)}{\partial x_jx_j} + F_i,$$
(2.52)

where the force term  $F_i$  is defined as:

$$F_i = -gh\frac{\partial z_b}{\partial x_i} + \frac{\tau_{wi}}{\rho} - \frac{\tau_{bi}}{\rho} + E_i, \qquad (2.53)$$

and the Coriolis term  $E_i$  is given by:

$$E_{i} = \begin{cases} f_{c}hv, & i = x, \\ -f_{c}hu, & i = y. \end{cases}$$
(2.54)

The bed shear stress  $\tau_{bi}$  in the *i* direction can be determined by the depthaveraged velocities as:

$$\tau_{bi} = \rho C_b u_i \sqrt{u_j u_j},\tag{2.55}$$

where the bed friction coefficient,  $C_b$ , which may be either constant or estimated based on the Chézy coefficient,  $C_z$  and the Manning equation, respectively as follows:

$$C_b = \frac{g}{C_c^2},$$
 (2.56)

$$C_b = \frac{g n_b^2}{h^{1/3}}.$$
 (2.57)

Here, the Chézy coefficient can also be calculated as  $C_z = h^{1/6}/n_b$ , where  $n_b$  is the bed Manning coefficient, or by the Colebrook-White equation as follows [99]:

$$C_{z} = -\sqrt{32g} \log_{10} \left( \frac{K_{s}}{14.8h} + \frac{1.255\nu C_{z}}{4\sqrt{2g}h\sqrt{u_{i}u_{i}}} \right),$$
(2.58)

where,  $K_s$  is the Nikuradse equivalent sand roughness. The wind shear stress  $\tau_{wi}$  is frequently expressed as:

$$\tau_{wi} = \rho_a C_w u_{wi} \sqrt{u_{wj} u_{wj}}, \qquad (2.59)$$

where  $\rho_a$  is the air density,  $C_w$  is the wind resistance coefficient and  $u_{wi}$  is the wind velocity component in the direction *i*.

### 2.3 Space-filtered Navier-Stokes Equations for Turbulent Flows

Generally, water flows in rivers, estuaries, coasts, open channels, etc, are mostly turbulent. There are two approaches based on the modified N-S equations that are used to determine the turbulent features in numerical models [4]. The first is the time-averaged N-S equation, or Reynolds equation together with k- $\varepsilon$  turbulence model. The second is known as the space-filtered N-S equations with the large eddy simulation (LES) and a subgrid-scale stress (SGS) model for the unresolved scale stress.

According to Piomelli [100], only the large, energy-containing scales are resolved in the LES, whereas the small subgrid scales whose effect appears through a residual stress term are not modelled. The modelling of subgrid scales (which is responsible for only a fraction of the momentum and energy transport) is easier than the modelling of all scales of motion required in Reynolds equations. Moreover, subgrid scale modelling requires less computational effort than the direct numerical simulation of the N-S equations [4].

Better results are usually obtained using the N-S equations with LES [44]. The solutions are more accurate and the detailed characteristics of turbulent flows such as the fluctuation of a physical quantity. LES has been successfully applied to the study of various transitional and turbulent flows [4,100].

In LES, the flow variables are decomposed into a large-scale component and a subgrid-scale component. The large-scale component (denoted by a tilde) is defined by the filtering operation as [100]:

$$\tilde{f}(\boldsymbol{x}) = \int_{D} \tilde{G}(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{\dot{x}}) f(\boldsymbol{\dot{x}}) d\boldsymbol{\dot{x}}, \qquad (2.60)$$

where the integral is extended over the single lattice D, and  $\tilde{G}$  is the grid filter function.

The filtered N-S and the continuity equations, which describe the evolution of the large, energy-carrying eddies, can be expressed by applying the filtering operation to the incompressible N-S equation (2.52) and continuity equation (2.51) to yield [4,100,101]:

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{u}_{i}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (\tilde{u}_{i}\tilde{u}_{j})}{\partial x_{j}} = f_{i} - \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial (p)}{\partial x_{i}} + \nu \frac{\partial^{2} (\tilde{u}_{i})}{\partial x_{j} \partial x_{j}} - \frac{\partial \tau_{ij}}{\partial x_{j}},$$

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{u}_{j}}{\partial x_{j}} = 0,$$
(2.62)

where  $\tilde{u}_i$  is the space-filtered velocity component in the *i* direction,

$$\tilde{u}_i(x, y, z, t) = \iiint_{\Delta x \Delta y \Delta z} u(x, y, z, t) \tilde{G}(x, y, z, \dot{x}, \dot{y}, \dot{z}) d\dot{x} dy d\dot{z}.$$
(2.63)

 $\tau_{ij}$  n the above expression (2.61) is called the SGS which reflects the effects of the unresolved scales with the resolved scale, i.e.

$$\tau_{ij} = u_i \tilde{u}_j - \tilde{u}_i \tilde{u}_j, \qquad (2.64)$$

which must be modelled. Hence, the SGS with an SGS eddy viscosity that corresponds to the Boussinesq assumption for turbulent flows can be expressed as:

$$\tau_{ij} = -\nu_e \left( \frac{\partial \tilde{u}_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial \tilde{u}_j}{\partial x_i} \right).$$
(2.65)

The new momentum equation based on the SGS method is obtained by substituting (2.65) into (2.61), as follows:

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{u}_i}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (\tilde{u}_i \tilde{u}_j)}{\partial x_j} = f_i - \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x_i} + (\nu + \nu_e) \frac{\partial^2 (\tilde{u}_i)}{\partial x_j \partial x_j}, \qquad (2.66)$$

in which the eddy viscosity is defined as:

$$\nu_e = (C_s \ell_s)^2 \sqrt{S_{ij} S_{ij}},$$
(2. 67)

where  $C_s$  is the Smagorinsky constant;  $\ell_s$  is the characteristic length scale and  $S_{ij}$  is the magnitude of the large scale strain-rate tensor,

$$S_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial \tilde{u}_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial \tilde{u}_j}{\partial x_i} \right).$$
(2.68)

The modified continuity and N-S equations are applicable to turbulent flows. In practice, the resolved large-scale fields are numerically solved and the effect of unresolved scale eddies is modelled with an SGS model. By application of the SGS model to the LBM, it is expected to that accurate solutions will be produced turbulent flows. This is due to the grid size, with the mesh size in the LBM being much smaller than that required by a traditional computational method for fluid flows. Hence, the finer grid size will lead to fewer unresolved scale eddies [4]. The modelling of SGS for LES in the LBM for shallow water flows is described in detail in the next section.
#### 2.4 Determination of the Eddy Viscosity

The SGS model is used for modelling flow turbulence as indicated in the previous section. To include the turbulence effects, the shallow water equations (2.60) and (2.61) need to be modified accordingly as [4]:

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (h\tilde{u}_j)}{\partial x_j} = 0, \qquad (2.69)$$

$$\frac{\partial(h\tilde{u}_i)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(h\tilde{u}_i\tilde{u}_j)}{\partial x_j} = -g\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}\left(\frac{h^2}{2}\right) + (v+v_e)\frac{\partial^2(h\tilde{u}_i)}{\partial x_j\partial x_j} + F_i.$$
(2.70)

The use of depth-averaged space-filtered velocity components differentiates the above equations from equations (2.51) and (2.52), where the eddy viscosity  $v_e$  is defined by:

$$-\nu_e = \frac{\tau_{ij}}{\left(\frac{\partial \tilde{u}_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial \tilde{u}_j}{\partial x_i}\right)}.$$
(2.71)

The eddy viscosity in (2.71) retains the same form as equation (2.67), such that

$$\nu_e = (C_s \ell_s)^2 \sqrt{S_{ij} S_{ij}}.$$
 (2.72)

Instead of using equation (2.68),  $S_{ij}$  is replaced with

$$S_{ij} = \frac{1}{2h} \left( \frac{\partial (h\tilde{u}_i)}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial (h\tilde{u}_j)}{\partial x_i} \right).$$
(2.73)

The depth-averaged subgrid-scale stress  $\tau_{ij}$  with eddy viscosity is calculated from:

$$\tau_{ij} = -2h\nu_e S_{ij}.\tag{2.74}$$

The force term  $F_i$  in equation (2.70) is defined by equation (2.53). For convenience, the tildes of  $u_j$  in the continuity and momentum equations (2.69) and (2.70) are dropped, resulting in the same form of general shallow water equations. But it should be remembered that the corresponding symbols represent the space-filtered variables:

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (hu_j)}{\partial x_j} = 0, \qquad (2.75)$$

$$\frac{\partial(hu_i)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(hu_iu_j)}{\partial x_j} = -g\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}\left(\frac{h^2}{2}\right) + (\nu + \nu_e)\frac{\partial^2(hu_i)}{\partial x_j\partial x_j} + F_i.$$
(2.76)

# Chapter 3 Lattice Boltzmann Method

### 3.0 Introduction

The LBM is a class of computational fluid dynamics (CFD) methods for fluid simulation. Specifically for the numerical simulation of physical phenomena, LBM serves as an alternative to classical solutions of partial differential equations (PDE) [4,38,88,102]. The main field of application is fluid dynamics and it solves the incompressible N-S equation [81,102]. The strength of the LBM lies in its ability to easily represent complex physical phenomena, ranging from multiphase flows to fluids with chemical reactions [4]. As the method is based on a molecular description of a fluid, knowledge of microscopic physics can be directly used to formulate an adequate numerical model [32,103]. The three unique features of the LBM include the linear convection operator, the simple equation for pressure calculation, and the minimal set of velocities in phase space [32].

The main topic of this thesis is the modelling of flows in shallow water regions using the LBM. This is now described, including the derivation of the lattice Boltzmann equation with the lattice pattern and the local equilibrium distribution function. The modelling of terms such as those related to flow turbulence is also taken into consideration, and is followed by the modelling of the force term in the LBM.

## 3.1 Lattice Boltzmann Method for Shallow Water Flows

A LBM has been successfully used to study shock waves [42,43], multiphase flows [30,104], and turbulent flows [31,36]. The LBM based shallow water model has produced accurate results for rapidly and gradually varied open channel flow problems [39,40,42-46].

However, a robust numerical method that can dependably and precisely solve the shallow water equations over variable topography in extensive conditions is required. Therefore, Zhou [44] proposed a lattice Boltzmann model for shallow water flows considering the flow turbulence by using the LABSWE<sup>TM</sup>. A centred scheme for the force term is applied in the lattice Boltzmann equation and this will be elaborated in section 3.31.

### 3.1.1 Lattice Boltzmann Equation

In lattice Boltzmann theory [4], the streaming and collision steps are the main two steps that make up the LBM. In the streaming step, particles that move towards their nearest neighbours at their own velocities and their directions are governed by:

$$f_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x} + \boldsymbol{e}_{\alpha}\Delta t, t + \Delta t) = f_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x}, t) + \frac{\Delta t}{N_{\alpha}e^2} \boldsymbol{e}_{\alpha i} F_i(\boldsymbol{x}, t), \qquad (3.1)$$

where  $f_{\alpha}$  is the particle distribution function;  $f_{\alpha}$  is the value of  $f_{\alpha}$  before the streaming;  $e_{\alpha}$  is the velocity vector of a particle in the  $\alpha$  link;  $e = \Delta x / \Delta t$ , where  $\Delta x$  and  $\Delta t$  is the lattice size and time step respectively;  $N_{\alpha}$  is a constant decided by the lattice pattern as:

$$N_{\alpha} = \frac{1}{e^2} \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha x} e_{\alpha x} = \frac{1}{e^2} \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha y} e_{\alpha y}$$
(3.2)

Meanwhile, in the collision step, the particles arrive and interact with one another and change their velocities and directions according to the rules of scattering, denoted by:

$$\dot{f}_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x},t) = f_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x},t) + \Omega_{\alpha}[f(\boldsymbol{x},t)], \qquad (3.3)$$

where  $\Omega_{\alpha}$  is the collision operator that controls the speed of change in  $f_{\alpha}$  during collision.

The collision operator  $\Omega_{\alpha}$  is a matrix and can be obtained from kinetic theory. However, due to the complexity of the analytic solutions, Higuera and Jimenez [105] proposed a fundamentally important idea of simplifying the collision operator. They linearized the collision operator around its local equilibrium state. This collision operator  $\Omega_{\alpha}$  is then expanded in terms of its equilibrium value. Referring to Chen [106], the operator is as follows:

$$\Omega_{\alpha}(f) = \Omega_{\alpha}(f^{eq}) + \frac{\partial \Omega_{\alpha}(f^{eq})}{\partial f_{\beta}} \left( f_{\beta} - f_{\beta}^{eq} \right) + O\left[ \left( f_{\beta} - f_{\beta}^{eq} \right)^2 \right], \qquad (3.4)$$

where  $f^{eq}$  is the local equilibrium distribution function.

By neglecting the higher-order terms in equation (3.4) and implying that  $\Omega_{\alpha}(f^{eq}) \approx 0$ , a linearized collision operator (equation (3.5)) is obtained:

$$\Omega_{\alpha}(f) \approx -\frac{\partial \Omega_{\alpha}(f^{eq})}{\partial f_{\beta}} \Big( f_{\beta} - f_{\beta}^{eq} \Big).$$
(3.5)

By assuming  $f_{\beta} \to f_{\beta}^{eq}$ , and the local particle distribution relaxes to an equilibrium state at a single rate  $\tau$  [4,51,52] (3.5) yields

$$\frac{\partial \Omega_{\alpha}(f^{eq})}{\partial f_{\beta}} = -\frac{1}{\tau} \delta_{\alpha\beta}, \qquad (3.6)$$

where  $\delta_{\alpha\beta}$  is the Kronecker delta function:

$$\delta_{\alpha\beta} = \begin{cases} 0 & \alpha \neq \beta, \\ 1 & \alpha = \beta. \end{cases}$$
(3.7)

Hence, equation (3.5) can be rewritten as:

$$\Omega_{\alpha}(f) = -\frac{1}{\tau} \delta_{\alpha\beta} (f_{\alpha} - f_{\alpha}^{eq}) = -\frac{1}{\tau} \delta_{\alpha\beta} (f_{\beta} - f_{\beta}^{eq}).$$
(3.8)

Equation (3.8) results in the lattice BGK collision operator:

$$\Omega_{\alpha}(f) = -\frac{1}{\tau} \left( f_{\alpha} - f_{\alpha}^{eq} \right), \tag{3.9}$$

where  $\tau$  is so-called single relaxation time. By substituting the collision operator (3.9) into (3.3), the most popular lattice Boltzmann equation or the so-called single relaxation time lattice Boltzmann equation can be expressed as follows [4]:

$$f_{\alpha}(x + e_{\alpha}\Delta t, t + \Delta t) - f_{\alpha}(x, t)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\tau} (f_{\alpha} - f_{\alpha}^{eq}) + \frac{\Delta t}{N_{\alpha}e^{2}} e_{\alpha i}F_{i}.$$
(3.10)

#### 3.1.2 Lattice Pattern

There are two main functions for the lattice application in the LBM. It is used numerically for representing grid points and determining the motion of a particle. In 2D modelling, square and hexagonal lattices are commonly used. The square lattice can have 4, 5, 8 and 9-velocity models. Meanwhile, the hexagonal lattice can have 6 and 7-velocity models (see Figures 3.1 and 3.2), where for each of these patterns, the particle speed can vary at each node of the lattice.



Figure 3. 1 The square lattice pattern with 5 and 9-velocity models.



Figure 3. 2 Hexagonal lattice pattern with 6 and 7-velocity models.

All these models follow the same naming scheme DXQY, where X indicates the number of dimensions of the lattice model and Y implies the number of discrete velocities in the model [91] e.g., D2Q9 specifies a 2D lattice model with nine velocity directions.

Nevertheless, not all of these models have sufficient lattice symmetry, which is the most important requirement for recovery of the correct flow equations [87]. The 9-velocity square lattice and 7-speed hexagonal lattice provide satisfactory performance in numerical simulations as indicated by theoretical and numerical analyses [4]. These lattices are widely used in the LBM.

The square lattice makes it easier in terms of boundary implementation [107]. The use of square lattice pattern in the LBM is also supported by the fact that it usually gives more accurate results than that based on the hexagonal lattice [108]. Thus, the 9-velocity square lattice is preferred in practice.

Particle movement in the 9-velocity square lattice begins with each particle moving on a lattice unit at its velocity along one of the eight links specified 1-8, while zero is denoted as a resting particle with zero speed as Figure 3.3.



Figure 3. 3 The 9-velocity lattice pattern.

According to this lattice, the velocity vector of particles can be defined as:

$$\boldsymbol{e}_{\alpha} = \begin{cases} (0,0) & \alpha = 0, \quad (3.11) \\ e \left[ \cos \frac{(\alpha - 1)\pi}{4}, \sin \frac{(\alpha - 1)\pi}{4} \right] & \alpha = 1,3,5,7, \\ \sqrt{2}e \left[ \cos \frac{(\alpha - 1)\pi}{4}, \sin \frac{(\alpha - 1)\pi}{4} \right] & \alpha = 2,4,6,8. \end{cases}$$

The basic features of the 9-velocity square lattice are follows [4]:

$$\sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} = \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} e_{\alpha j} e_{\alpha k} = 0, \qquad (3.12)$$

$$\sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} e_{\alpha j} = 6e^2 \delta_{ij}, \qquad (3.13)$$

$$\sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} e_{\alpha j} e_{\alpha k} e_{\alpha l} = 4e^4 \left( \delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} + \delta_{ik} \delta_{jl} + \delta_{il} \delta_{jk} \right) - 6e^4 \Delta_{ijkl}, \qquad (3.14)$$

where

$$\Delta_{ijkl} = \begin{cases} 1, & i = j = k = l, \\ 0, & otherwise. \end{cases}$$
(3.15)

Substitution of equation (3.11) into (3.2) yields:

$$N_{\alpha} = \frac{1}{e^2} \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha x} e_{\alpha x} = \frac{1}{e^2} \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha y} e_{\alpha y} = 6.$$
(3.16)

Insertion of (3.16) into (3.10) leads to the most common form of the lattice Boltzmann model used for simulating shallow water flows:

$$f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{e}_{\alpha}\Delta t, t + \Delta t) - f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}, t)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\tau} (f_{\alpha} - f_{\alpha}^{eq}) + \frac{\Delta t}{6e^{2}} \mathbf{e}_{\alpha i} F_{i}.$$
(3.17)

## 3.1.3 Local Equilibrium Distribution Function: Shallow Water Flow Modelling

A suitable equilibrium distribution function needs to be chosen for the LBM, as it plays an important role in deciding the flow equations to be solved by the lattice Boltzmann equation (3.17) [4].

Maxwellian distributions usually expanded as Taylor series in macroscopic velocity to second order have become the functions of choice in LGCA models [4]. By using the same approach, the Maxwell-Boltzmann function can be used to solve the lattice Boltzmann equation. However, this can only be used to recover the N-S equation, and are not particularly apply to the shallow water equations. Therefore, in order to recover the shallow water condition, the so-called Ansatz method is used [82].

An equilibrium distribution function can be expressed by using the Ansatz method as a power series in macroscopic velocity such as [4]:

$$f_{\alpha}^{eq} = A_{\alpha} + B_{\alpha}e_{\alpha i}u_i + C_{\alpha}e_{\alpha i}e_{\alpha j}u_iu_j + D_{\alpha}u_iu_i.$$
(3.18)

The above general approach is used herein, as it is known to provide satisfactory solutions of various flow problems [4,31,109].

In terms of symmetry, the equilibrium distribution function (3.18) is the same as in the lattice shown in Figure 3.3, and is expressed as:

$$A_1 = A_3 = A_5 = A_7 = \bar{A}, \tag{3.19}$$

$$A_2 = A_4 = A_6 = A_8 = \tilde{A}, \tag{3.20}$$

Similar results are also obtained for  $B_{\alpha}$ ,  $C_{\alpha}$  and  $D_{\alpha}$ . Thus, for convenience, the equilibrium distribution function can be written as:

$$f_a^{eq} \tag{3.21}$$

$$= \begin{cases} A_{0} + D_{0}u_{i}u_{i}, & \alpha = 0, \\ \bar{A} + \bar{B}e_{\alpha i}u_{i} + \bar{C}e_{\alpha i}e_{\alpha j}u_{i}u_{j} + \bar{D}u_{i}u_{i}, & \alpha = 1,3,5,7, \\ \tilde{A} + \tilde{B}e_{\alpha i}u_{i} + \tilde{C}e_{\alpha i}e_{\alpha j}u_{i}u_{j} + \tilde{D}u_{i}u_{i}, & \alpha = 2,4,6,8. \end{cases}$$

The unknown coefficients in the above equation (3.21) can be determined, based on constraints of the equilibrium distribution function that obey the mass and momentum conservation laws. Therefore, for the shallow water equation, three conditions have to be satisfied:

$$\sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha}^{eq}(\mathbf{x}, t) = h(\mathbf{x}, t), \qquad (3.22)$$

$$\sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} f_{\alpha}^{eq}(\mathbf{x}, t) = h(\mathbf{x}, t) u_i(\mathbf{x}, t), \qquad (3.23)$$

$$\sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} e_{\alpha j} f_{\alpha}^{eq}(\mathbf{x}, t)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} g h^{2}(\mathbf{x}, t) \delta_{ij} + h(\mathbf{x}, t) u_{i}(\mathbf{x}, t) u_{j}(\mathbf{x}, t).$$
(3.24)

Insertion of equation (3.21) into (3.22) yields:

$$A_{0} + D_{0}u_{i}u_{i} + 4\bar{A} + \sum_{\alpha=1,3,5,7} \bar{B}e_{\alpha i}u_{i} + \sum_{\alpha=1,3,5,7} \bar{C}e_{\alpha i}e_{\alpha j}u_{i}u_{j} \qquad (3.25)$$
$$+ 4\bar{D}u_{i}u_{i} + 4\tilde{A} + \sum_{\alpha=2,4,6,8} \tilde{B}e_{\alpha i}u_{i}$$
$$+ \sum_{\alpha=2,4,6,8} \tilde{C}e_{\alpha i}e_{\alpha j}u_{i}u_{j} + 4\tilde{D}u_{i}u_{i} = h.$$

By substituting (3.25) into (3.11) and correlating h and  $u_i u_i$ , the following expressions are obtained:

$$A_0 + 4\bar{A} + 4\tilde{A} = h, \tag{3.26}$$

and

$$D_0 + 2e^2\bar{C} + 4e^2\tilde{C} + 4\bar{D} + 4\bar{D} = 0.$$
 (3.27)

Insertion of (3.21) into (3.23) yields:

 $A_0 e_{\alpha i} + D_0 e_{\alpha i} u_j u_j$ 

$$+ \sum_{\alpha=1,3,5,7} (\bar{A}e_{\alpha i} + \bar{B}e_{\alpha i}e_{\alpha j}u_{j}$$
$$+ \bar{C}e_{\alpha i}e_{\alpha j}e_{\alpha k}u_{j}u_{k} + \bar{D}e_{\alpha i}u_{j}u_{j})$$
$$+ \sum_{\alpha=2,4,6,8} (\tilde{A}e_{\alpha i} + \tilde{B}e_{\alpha i}e_{\alpha j}u_{j}$$
$$+ \tilde{C}e_{\alpha i}e_{\alpha j}e_{\alpha k}u_{j}u_{k} + \tilde{D}e_{\alpha i}u_{j}u_{j}) = hu_{i},$$

(3.28)

from which we obtain:

$$2e^2\bar{B} + 4e^2\bar{B} = h. (3.29)$$

Substitution of (3.21) into (3.24) gives below:

$$\sum_{\alpha=1,3,5,7} (\bar{A}e_{\alpha i}e_{\alpha j} + \bar{B}e_{\alpha i}e_{\alpha j}e_{\alpha k}u_{k} + \bar{C}e_{\alpha i}e_{\alpha j}e_{\alpha k}e_{\alpha l}u_{k}u_{l}$$

$$+ \bar{D}e_{\alpha i}e_{\alpha j}u_{k}u_{k})$$

$$+ \sum_{\alpha=2,4,6,8} (\tilde{A}e_{\alpha i}e_{\alpha j} + \tilde{B}e_{\alpha i}e_{\alpha j}e_{\alpha k}u_{k}$$

$$+ \tilde{C}e_{\alpha i}e_{\alpha j}e_{\alpha k}e_{\alpha l}u_{k}u_{l} + \tilde{D}e_{\alpha i}e_{\alpha j}u_{k}u_{k})$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}gh^{2}\delta_{ij} + hu_{i}u_{j}.$$
(3.30)

Equation (3.30) can be simplified using equation (3.11), yielding:

$$2\bar{A}e^{2}\delta_{ij} + 2\bar{C}e^{4}u_{i}u_{i} + 2\bar{D}e^{2}u_{i}u_{i} + 4\tilde{A}e^{2}\delta_{ij} + 8\tilde{C}e^{4}u_{i}u_{j}$$
(3.31)  
+  $4\tilde{C}e^{4}u_{i}u_{i} + 4\tilde{D}e^{2}u_{i}u_{i} = \frac{1}{2}gh^{2}\delta_{ij} + hu_{i}u_{j},$ 

from which:

$$2\bar{A}e^2 + 4\tilde{A}e^2 = \frac{1}{2}gh^2, \qquad (3.32)$$

$$8e^4\tilde{C} = h, \tag{3.33}$$

$$2e^4\bar{C} = h, \tag{3.34}$$

and

$$2\overline{D}e^2 + 4\overline{D}e^2 + 4\overline{C}e^4 = 0. \tag{3.35}$$

Combining (3.33) and (3.34) gives:

$$\bar{C} = 4\tilde{C}.\tag{3.36}$$

Based on the symmetrical lattice that has been shown in equation (3.36), three additional relations can also be assumed as:

$$\bar{A} = 4\tilde{A}.\tag{3.37}$$

$$\bar{B} = 4\tilde{B}.\tag{3.38}$$

and

$$\overline{D} = 4\widetilde{D}.\tag{3.39}$$

The unknown coefficient is determined by solving equations (3.26), (3.27), (3.28) and (3.32) - (3.39). Hence,

$$A_0 = h - \frac{5gh^2}{6e^2}, \quad D_0 = -\frac{2h}{3e^2}, \tag{3.40}$$

$$\bar{A} = \frac{gh^2}{6e^2}, \qquad \bar{B} = \frac{h}{3e^2}, \qquad \bar{C} = \frac{h}{2e^4}, \qquad \bar{D} = -\frac{h}{6e^2}, \qquad (3.41)$$

$$\tilde{A} = \frac{gh^2}{24e^2}, \qquad \tilde{B} = \frac{h}{12e^2}, \qquad \tilde{C} = \frac{h}{8e^4}, \qquad \tilde{D} = -\frac{h}{24e^2}, \qquad (3.42)$$

These coefficients (equations (3.40) - (3.42)) are then inserted into equation (3.21), which leads to the following local equilibrium distribution function:

$$f_{\alpha}^{eq} \qquad (3.43)$$

$$= \begin{cases} h - \frac{5gh^2}{6e^2} - \frac{2h}{3e^2} u_i u_i, & \alpha = 0, \\ \frac{gh^2}{6e^2} + \frac{h}{3e^2} e_{\alpha i} u_i + \frac{h}{2e^4} e_{\alpha i} e_{\alpha j} u_i u_j - \frac{h}{6e^2} u_i u_i, & \alpha = 1,3,5,7, \\ \frac{gh^2}{24e^2} + \frac{h}{12e^2} e_{\alpha i} u_i + \frac{h}{8e^4} e_{\alpha i} e_{\alpha j} u_i u_j - \frac{h}{24e^2} u_i u_i, & \alpha = 2,4,6,8. \end{cases}$$

This local equilibrium distribution function is then used in the lattice Boltzmann equation (3.17) for solving the shallow water equations (2.51) and (2.52).

#### 3.1.4 Macroscopic Properties

A few more steps are required to solve the shallow water equations (2.51) and (2.52). The main tasks are to determine physical quantities such as the water depth h and the velocity components. Zhou [4] carried out a microscopic examination of the lattice Boltzmann equation (3.17) by taking the sum of the zeroth moment of the distribution function in equation (3.17) over the lattice velocities as follows:

$$\sum_{\alpha} [f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{e}_{\alpha}\Delta t, t + \Delta t) - f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}, t)]$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\tau} \sum_{\alpha} (f_{\alpha} - f_{\alpha}^{eq}) + \frac{\Delta t}{6e^{2}} \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} F_{i}.$$
(3.44)

With reference to equation (3.11), it can be found that  $\sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} F_i = 0$  may be assumed (based on the symmetrical lattice system in the velocity vectors), which leads to:

$$\sum_{\alpha} [f_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x} + \boldsymbol{e}_{\alpha} \Delta t, t + \Delta t) - f_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x}, t)] = -\frac{1}{\tau} \sum_{\alpha} (f_{\alpha} - f_{\alpha}^{eq}).$$
(3.45)

The process of examining the microscopic properties in the lattice Boltzmann equation is continued by considering the conservative properties such as cumulative mass and momentum. Therefore, the summations of the microdynamic mass and momentum, which are conserved, are used. Based on the mass conservation identity (the continuity equation (3.46) with microdynamic variables), substitution of equation (3.45) into (3.46) leads to:

$$\sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{e}_{\alpha} \Delta t, t + \Delta t) \equiv \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}, t), \qquad (3.46)$$

$$\sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha}^{eq}(\mathbf{x}, t).$$
(3.47)

According to the (3.22), the expression (3.47) in fact defines a physical quantity, the water depth h, given by:

$$h(x,t) = \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha}(x,t).$$
(3.48)

Therefore, in order to obtain the expression for the velocity, the sum of the first moment of the distribution function (3.17) over the lattice velocities can be rearranged as follows:

$$\sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} [f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{e}_{\alpha} \Delta t, t + \Delta t) - f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}, t)]$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\tau} \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} (f_{\alpha} - f_{\alpha}^{eq}) + \frac{\Delta t}{6e^{2}} \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} e_{\alpha j} F_{i}.$$
(3.49)

$$\sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} [f_{\alpha}(x + e_{\alpha} \Delta t, t + \Delta t) - f_{\alpha}(x, t)]$$

$$= \Delta t F_{i} - \frac{1}{\tau} \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} (f_{\alpha} - f_{\alpha}^{eq}).$$
(3.50)

Equation (3.50) reflects the evolution of cumulative momentum in the distribution function [4]. According to Newton's second law, force is the time rate of change of the momentum [110], hence, the momentum equation with the microdynamic variables can be presented as:

$$\sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} [f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{e}_{\alpha} \Delta t, t + \Delta t) - f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}, t)] \equiv \Delta t F_{i}.$$
(3.51)

Substitution of (3.51) into (3.50) yields:

$$\sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} f_{\alpha}(x,t) = \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} f_{\alpha}^{eq}(x,t).$$
(3.52)

Referring to equation (3.23), the term on the right hand side of equation (3.52) leads to a physical variable called velocity  $u_i$  given by:

$$u_i(x,t) = \frac{1}{h(x,t)} \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} f_{\alpha}(x,t).$$
(3.53)

The physical variables such as water depth h and velocity  $u_i$  are then obtained whilst at the same time preserving the two identities (3.46) and (3.51) which reflect conservative properties such as cumulative mass and momentum.

#### **3.1.5** Recovery of Shallow-Water Equations

The Chapman-Enskog method is an analytic procedure to recover macroscopic equations. It is an important technique for generating approximate solutions to one-body kinetic equations. Originally formulated, it consists of a gradient expansion about a local-equilibrium state [111]. In the current study, it is applied to the lattice Boltzmann equation (3.17) to prove that the depth h and velocity  $u_i$  calculated from equations (3.48) and (3.53) are the solution to the shallow water equations (2.51) and (2.52).

The process starts by assuming  $\Delta t$  is small and equal to  $\varepsilon$ , [4]

$$\Delta t = \varepsilon. \tag{3.54}$$

The lattice Boltzmann equation (3.17) is then rearranged as:

$$f_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x} + \boldsymbol{e}_{\alpha}\varepsilon, t + \varepsilon) - f_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x}, t) = -\frac{1}{\tau} \left( f_{\alpha} - f_{\alpha}^{eq} \right) + \frac{\varepsilon}{6e^2} \boldsymbol{e}_{\alpha i} F_i.$$
(3.55)

A Taylor expansion procedure is then applied to the first term on the left hand side of the above equation in time and space around the point (x, t), which yields:

$$\varepsilon \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + e_{\alpha j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}}\right) f_{\alpha} + \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon^{2} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + e_{\alpha j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}}\right)^{2} f_{\alpha} + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^{3})$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\tau} (f_{\alpha} - f_{\alpha}^{0}) + \frac{\varepsilon}{6e^{2}} e_{\alpha i} F_{i}.$$
(3.56)

Moreover, the Taylor expansion,  $f_{\alpha}$  can also be expanded around  $f_{\alpha}^{0}$ , where  $(f_{\alpha}^{0} = f_{\alpha}^{eq})$ , such that

$$f_{\alpha} = f_{\alpha}^{0} + \varepsilon f_{\alpha}^{1} + \varepsilon^{2} f_{\alpha}^{2} + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^{3}), \qquad (3.57)$$

Ignoring order  $\varepsilon^3$  and higher terms, (3.56) to order  $\varepsilon$  is defined as:

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + e_{\alpha j}\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}\right)f_{\alpha}^0 = -\frac{1}{\tau}(f_{\alpha}^1) + \frac{1}{6e^2}e_{\alpha i}F_i.$$
(3.58)

Meanwhile, the equation (3.56) to order  $\varepsilon^2$  is defined as:

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + e_{\alpha j}\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}}\right)f_{\alpha}^{1} + \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + e_{\alpha j}\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}}\right)^{2}f_{\alpha}^{0} = -\frac{1}{\tau}(f_{\alpha}^{2}).$$
(3.59)

Substitution of (3.58) into (3.59) yields:

$$\left(1 - \frac{1}{2\tau}\right) \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + e_{\alpha j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}\right) f_{\alpha}^{1}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\tau} (f_{\alpha}^{2}) - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + e_{\alpha j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}\right) \left(\frac{1}{6e^2} e_{\alpha k} F_{k}\right).$$

$$(3.60)$$

Then, taking  $\sum [(3.58) + \varepsilon \times (3.60)]$ , leads to:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha}^{0} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}} \left( \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha j} f_{\alpha}^{0} \right)$$

$$= -\varepsilon \frac{1}{12e^{2}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}} \left( \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha j} e_{\alpha k} F_{k} \right).$$
(3.61)

If the first-order accuracy for the force term is applied in (3.61), then the evaluation of other terms in the same equation using equation (3.11) and (3.43) will result in:

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (hu_j)}{\partial x_j} = 0, \qquad (3.62)$$

which is the continuity equation (2.51) for shallow water flows. By considering  $\sum e_{\alpha i}[(3.58) + \varepsilon \times (3.60)]$ ,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} f_{\alpha}^{0} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}} \left( \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} e_{\alpha j} f_{\alpha}^{0} \right)$$

$$+ \varepsilon \left( 1 - \frac{1}{2\tau} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}} \left( \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} e_{\alpha j} f_{\alpha}^{1} \right)$$

$$= F_{j} \delta_{ij}$$

$$- \varepsilon \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + e_{\alpha j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}} \right) \left( \frac{1}{6e^{2}} e_{\alpha j} F_{j} \right).$$
(3.63)

Again, using the first-order accuracy for the force term in the above equation (3.63), the evaluation of the other terms in the same equation by (3.11) and (3.43) results in:

$$\frac{\partial hu_i}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (hu_i u_j)}{\partial x_j} = -g \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left(\frac{h^2}{2}\right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \Lambda_{ij} + F_i, \qquad (3.64)$$

where

$$\Lambda_{ij} = \frac{\varepsilon}{2\tau} (2\tau - 1) \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} e_{\alpha j} f_{\alpha}^{1}.$$
(3.65)

Considering equations (3.58), (3.11) and (3.43), the following expression is obtained:

$$\Lambda_{ij} \approx -\nu \left[ \frac{\partial h u_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial (h u_j)}{\partial x_i} \right].$$
(3.66)

Insertion of (3.66) into (3.64) yields the following momentum equation (2.52) for shallow water flow:

$$\frac{\partial hu_i}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (hu_i u_j)}{\partial x_j} = -g \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left(\frac{h^2}{2}\right) + v \frac{\partial^2 (hu_i)}{\partial x_j \partial x_j} + F_i, \qquad (3.67)$$

where the kinematic viscosity  $\nu$  and the force term  $F_i$  are defined respectively as follows:

$$\nu = \frac{e^2 \Delta t}{6} (2\tau - 1). \tag{3.68}$$

and

$$F_i = -gh\frac{\partial z_b}{\partial x_i} + \frac{\tau_{wi} - \tau_{bi}}{\rho} + E_i.$$
(3.69)

The foregoing proof of derivation in terms of force for the shallow water equation recovery can be classified as first-order accurate [4]. In order to achieve second-order accuracy, an application of the appropriate expression for force (i.e. the centred scheme for the recovered macroscopic continuity and momentum equations) needs to be evaluated, and this will be discussed later in this chapter.

## 3.2 Lattice Boltzmann Method with Turbulence Modelling

Turbulence is characterised by chaotic property changes in a gas or fluid. This includes rapid changes of momentum convection, pressure and velocity in space and time [112]. The coexistence of the chaotic has made turbulence modelling one of the most challenging and unpredictable problems in science and engineering [38,113,114]. Nevertheless, turbulence modelling and prediction is of primary importance in understanding many flow processes in practice.

The LBM for turbulent shallow water flows [44] is described in this section. Use of the Smagorinsky SGS model in the LES leads to the simple lattice Boltzmann turbulent flow model.

## 3.2.1 Subgrid-scale Lattice Boltzmann Model for Turbulent Shallow Water Equations

SGS modelling refers to the representation of important small-scale physical processes that occur at length-scales that cannot be sufficiently determined on a computational mesh [115]. In LES of turbulence, SGS modelling is used to demonstrate the effects of unresolved small-scale fluid motions (i.e. small eddies, swirls, vortices, etc.) in the equations governing the large scale motions that are resolved in computer models [100].

Hou et al. [116] proposed a basic concept underpinning the lattice Boltzmann SGS model, where the appearance of eddy viscosity in the momentum equation (2.70) can be related to the relaxation time via

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equation (3.68) to solve the shallow water equations (2.69) and (2.70). Zhou [4] illustrated a new lattice Boltzmann equation in his model by redefining the relaxation time based on the SGS model, as follows:

$$\tau_t = \tau + \tau_e, \tag{3.70}$$

where, use of a total relaxation time (such as (3.70)) that contains the eddy relaxation time  $\tau_e$ , yields a total viscosity

$$\nu_t = \nu + \nu_e, \tag{3.71}$$

hence leading to a new lattice Boltzmann equation with a total relaxation time  $\tau_t$ :

$$f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{e}_{\alpha}\Delta t, t + \Delta t) - f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}, t)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\tau_{t}} (f_{\alpha} - f_{\alpha}^{eq}) + \frac{\Delta t}{6e^{2}} e_{\alpha i} F_{i}.$$
(3.72)

In order to determine the total relaxation time  $\tau_t$ , the strain-rate tensor  $S_{ij}$  is resolved in terms of the distribution function so as to remain consistent with lattice gas dynamics [4]. Since the strain-rate tensor  $S_{ij}$  is related to the non-equilibrium momentum fluctuation tensor (using Chapman-Enskog analysis), this provides an easy and efficient way to calculate  $S_{ij}$  as follows:

$$S_{ij} = -\frac{3}{2e^2h\tau_t\Delta t}\sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i}e_{\alpha j}(f_{\alpha} - f_{\alpha}^{eq}).$$
(3.73)

By assuming  $\tau_t$  and  $\nu_t$  satisfy (3.68), this leads to:

$$\tau_t = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{3\nu_t}{e^2 \Delta t}.$$
(3.74)

Inserting (3.70) and (3.71) into (3.74) yields:

$$\tau_t + \tau = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{3(\nu + \nu_e)}{e^2 \Delta t},$$
(3.75)

which can be simplified according to (3.68) to give:

$$\tau_e = \frac{3 v_e}{e^2 \Delta t}.\tag{3.76}$$

The eddy viscosity  $v_e$  in (3.76) is then replaced by that in (2.72) as follows:

$$\tau_e = \frac{3}{e^2 \Delta t} (C_s \ell_s)^2 \sqrt{S_{ij} S_{ij}}.$$
 (3.77)

Substitution of the strain-rate tensor  $S_{ij}$  given by (3.73) into (3.77) gives:

$$\tau_e = \frac{3}{e^2 \Delta t} (C_s \ell_s)^2 \frac{3}{2e^2 h \tau_t \Delta t} \sqrt{\prod_{ij} \prod_{ij}}, \qquad (3.78)$$

where

$$\prod_{ij} = \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} e_{\alpha j} (f_{\alpha} - f_{\alpha}^{eq}).$$
(3.79)

By replacing the characteristic length scale  $\ell_s = \Delta x$  in (3.78) with (3.70) related to the total relaxation time, gives:

$$\tau_e = \frac{9}{2} \frac{C_s^2}{e^2 h(\tau_e + \tau)} \sqrt{\prod_{ij} \prod_{ij}}.$$
(3.80)

Alternatively, the eddy relaxation time can be determined from:

$$\tau_e = \frac{-\tau + \sqrt{\tau^2 + \left(\frac{18C_s^2}{e^2h}\right)\sqrt{\prod_{ij}\prod_{ij}}}}{2},$$
(3.81)

leading to the total relaxation time  $\tau_t$ :

$$\tau_t = \frac{\tau + \sqrt{\tau^2 + \left(\frac{18C_s^2}{e^2h}\right)\sqrt{\prod_{ij}\prod_{ij}}}}{2}.$$
(3.82)

# 3.2.2 Recovery of Turbulent Shallow Water Equations

In this section, the lattice Boltzmann equation with turbulence (3.72), as described in the previous section, is proved to be a solution to the macroscopic equation (2.69) and (2.70) using the Chapman-Enskog expansion. Under the usual considerations, by assuming  $\Delta t = \varepsilon$ , equation (3.72) can be written as follows:

$$f_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x} + \boldsymbol{e}_{\alpha}\varepsilon, \boldsymbol{t} + \varepsilon) - f_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{t}) = -\frac{1}{\tau_{t}} (f_{\alpha} - f_{\alpha}^{eq}) + \frac{\varepsilon}{6e^{2}} e_{\alpha j} F_{j}.$$
(3.83)

The first term on the left-hand side in the above equation is expanded using a Taylor expansion in time and space as:

$$\varepsilon \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + e_{\alpha j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}}\right) f_{\alpha} + \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon^{2} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + e_{\alpha j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}}\right)^{2} f_{\alpha} + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^{3})$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\tau_{t}} (f_{\alpha} - f_{\alpha}^{0}) + \frac{\varepsilon}{6e^{2}} e_{\alpha j} F_{j}.$$
(3.84)

Then  $f_{\alpha}$  can also be expanded around  $f_{\alpha}^{0}$ , where  $(f_{\alpha}^{0} = f_{\alpha}^{eq})$ , giving:

$$f_{\alpha} = f_{\alpha}^{0} + \varepsilon f_{\alpha}^{1} + \varepsilon^{2} f_{\alpha}^{2} + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^{3}), \qquad (3.85)$$

where (3.84) to order  $\varepsilon$  is defined as:

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + e_{\alpha j}\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}\right)f_{\alpha}^0 = -\frac{1}{\tau_t}(f_{\alpha}^1) + \frac{1}{6e^2}e_{\alpha j}F_j.$$
(3.86)

And (3.84) to order  $\varepsilon^2$  is defined as:

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + e_{\alpha j}\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}}\right)f_{\alpha}^{1} + \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + e_{\alpha j}\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}}\right)^{2}f_{\alpha}^{0} = -\frac{1}{\tau_{t}}(f_{\alpha}^{2}).$$
(3.87)

Substitution of (3.86) into (3.87) yields:

$$\left(1 - \frac{1}{2\tau_t}\right) \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + e_{\alpha j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}\right) f_{\alpha}^1$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\tau_t} (f_{\alpha}^2) - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + e_{\alpha j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}\right) \left(\frac{1}{6e^2} e_{\alpha k} F_k\right).$$

$$(3.88)$$

Then, by taking  $\sum [(3.86) + \varepsilon \times (3.88)]$ , gives

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha}^{0} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}} \left( \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha j} f_{\alpha}^{0} \right)$$

$$= -\varepsilon \frac{1}{12e^{2}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}} \left( \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha j} e_{\alpha k} F_{k} \right).$$
(3.89)

By applying first-order accuracy to the force term, evaluation of the other terms in (3.89) using (3.11) and (3.43) will result in the continuity equation (2.69) for shallow water flows:

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (hu_j)}{\partial x_j} = 0, \qquad (3.90)$$

From  $\sum e_{\alpha i}[(3.86) + \varepsilon \times (3.88)]$ ,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} f_{\alpha}^{0} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}} \left( \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} e_{\alpha j} f_{\alpha}^{0} \right)$$

$$+ \varepsilon \left( 1 - \frac{1}{2\tau_{t}} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}} \left( \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} e_{\alpha j} f_{\alpha}^{1} \right)$$

$$= F_{j} \delta_{ij}$$

$$- \varepsilon \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + e_{\alpha j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}} \right) \left( \frac{1}{6e^{2}} e_{\alpha j} F_{j} \right).$$
(3.91)

Similarly, using first-order accuracy for the force term in (3.91), the evaluation of the other terms in the equation by using (3.43) will result in:

$$\frac{\partial hu_i}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (hu_i u_j)}{\partial x_j} = -g \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left(\frac{h^2}{2}\right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \Lambda_{ij} + F_i, \qquad (3.92)$$

where

$$\Lambda_{ij} = \frac{\varepsilon}{2\tau_t} (2\tau_t - 1) \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} e_{\alpha j} f_{\alpha}^1.$$
(3.93)

Consideration of equations (3.86), and (3.43), yields:

$$\Lambda_{ij} \approx -\frac{\varepsilon}{6} e^2 (2\tau_t - 1) \left[ \frac{\partial h u_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial (h u_j)}{\partial x_i} \right].$$
(3.94)

Insertion of (3.94) into (3.92) yields the following expression for the shallow water momentum equation:

$$\frac{\partial hu_i}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (hu_i u_j)}{\partial x_j} = -g \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left(\frac{h^2}{2}\right) + v_t \frac{\partial^2 (hu_i)}{\partial x_j \partial x_j} + F_i, \qquad (3.95)$$

where the total kinematic viscosity  $v_t$  is defined by:

$$v_t = \frac{e^2 \Delta t}{6} (2\tau_t - 1). \tag{3.96}$$

Replacing the (3.96) with (3.68), (3.70), (3.71) and (3.76), yields:

$$\nu_t = \nu_e + \nu. \tag{3.97}$$

Therefore, insertion of (3.97) into (3.95) yields the momentum equation (2.70). The derivation is continued for the strain-rate tensor  $S_{ij}$ , which is obtained by combining equations (3.93) and (3.94):

$$\frac{1}{2h} \left[ \frac{\partial h u_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial (h u_j)}{\partial x_i} \right] = -\frac{3}{2e^2 h \tau_t} \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} e_{\alpha j} f_{\alpha}^1.$$
(3.98)

Based on (3.85), the following expression is obtained:

$$f_{\alpha}^{1} = \frac{(f_{\alpha} - f_{\alpha}^{0})}{\varepsilon} + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon) \approx \frac{(f_{\alpha} - f_{\alpha}^{0})}{\varepsilon}.$$
(3.99)

By referring to the definition of the strain-rate tensor,  $S_{ij}$  in equation (3.69) and to the assumptions made,  $f_{\alpha}^{0} = f_{\alpha}^{eq}$  and  $\Delta t = \varepsilon$ , the strain-rate tensor (see equation (3.73)) in the form of distribution function is obtained by substituting equation (3.99) into (3.98).

#### 3.3 Calculation of Force Terms

Water flows in rivers, coastal, estuaries etc are subject to different forces such as gravity, Coriolis and bed slope [4]. Determination of these forces plays an important role in obtaining accurate predictions of such flows. Despite the fact that these forces may affect the results, most studies reported in the literature are restricted to the standard lattice Boltzmann equation without consideration of such forces [34].

Investigation to include a force in the lattice Boltzmann equation commenced in the late 1990s when. Martys et al. [117] derived the forcing term in Hermite polynomials based on the continuum Boltzmann BGK equation for use in lattice Boltzmann models. The method has been used in porous media studies by Hayashi [118]. Buick and Greated [119] considered the inclusion of gravity force in a lattice Boltzmann scheme using a composite method, and proposed four methods by which to include a body force:

- Method 1: Introduces gravity by incorporating an additional term in the equilibrium distribution function. An altered pressure term is produced.
- 2. Method 2: Introduces gravity into the lattice Boltzmann model by taking into account the equilibrium distribution function to be a function of an 'equilibrium velocity'. It is described as the sum of the lattice Boltzmann velocity.
- Method 3: Introduces gravity by adding a term to the collision function.
- 4. Method 4: Introduces gravity by considering the equilibrium distribution to be a function of an altered velocity and by adding an additional term to the collision operator. It is a combination of methods 2 and 3.

Using a less direct approach, Guo et al. [120] proposed incorporating the force term into the local equilibrium distribution function. A straightforward way for estimating a force was proposed by Zhou [44,107] who successfully demonstrated the direct integration of wind shear stress and bed slope into the streaming step in the lattice Boltzmann
equation. Zhou's method is also believed to have the flexibility to allow for additional forces. This technique has recently been enhanced by using a centred scheme to derive the force term and hence obtain improved accuracy [4]. The enhanced scheme is used in the current studies.

## 3.3.1 Centred Scheme

Theoretically, there are three schemes to represent a force  $F_i$  [4]: 1) a basic scheme, where force is measured at the lattice points, 2) a secondorder scheme, where the force term takes the averaged value of the two values at the lattice point and its neighbouring lattice point, respectively, and 3) a centred scheme, where the force is considered to act at the midpoint between the lattice point and its neighbouring lattice point. These schemes can be expressed as follows:

• Basic scheme

$$F_i = F_i(x, t). (3.100)$$

• Second-order scheme

$$F_{i} = \frac{1}{2} [F_{i}(x,t) + F_{i}(x + e_{\alpha}\Delta t, t + \Delta t)], \qquad (3.101)$$

or for the parallel process, equation (3.101) can be expressed as:

$$F_{i} = \frac{1}{2} [F_{i}(x,t) + F_{i}(x + e_{\alpha} \Delta t, t)].$$
(3.102)

• Centred scheme

$$F_i = F_i \left( x + \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{e}_{\alpha} \Delta t, t + \frac{1}{2} \Delta t \right), \qquad (3.103)$$

or for the parallel process, equation (3.103) can be expressed as the following semi-implicit form:

$$F_i = F_i \left( \boldsymbol{x} + \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{e}_{\alpha} \Delta t, t \right).$$
(3.104)

The Chapman-Enskog procedure is used to analyze the character of these schemes, by assuming  $\Delta t$  is small and equal to  $\varepsilon$ . Insertion of centred scheme force terms into the lattice Boltzmann equation (3.17) leads to:

$$f_{\alpha}(x + e_{\alpha}\varepsilon, t + \varepsilon) - f_{\alpha}(x, t)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\tau} (f_{\alpha} - f_{\alpha}^{eq})$$

$$+ \frac{\varepsilon}{6e^{2}} e_{\alpha i} F_{i} \left( x + \frac{1}{2} e_{\alpha}\varepsilon, t + \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon \right).$$

$$(3.105)$$

Taking the Taylor expansion of the first term on the left hand side and the force term on the right hand side of the above equation in time and space around the point (x, t), respectively yields:

$$f_{\alpha}(x + e_{\alpha}\varepsilon, t + \varepsilon)$$

$$= f_{\alpha}(x, t) + \varepsilon \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + e_{\alpha j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}}\right) f_{\alpha}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon^{2} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + e_{\alpha j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}}\right)^{2} f_{\alpha} + O(\varepsilon^{3}).$$

$$F_{i} \left(x + \frac{1}{2} e_{\alpha}\varepsilon, t + \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon\right)$$

$$= F_{i}(x, t) + \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + e_{\alpha j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}}\right) F_{i}(x, t)$$

$$+ O(\varepsilon).$$

$$(3.106)$$

Substitution of equations (3.106) and (3.107) into (3.105) leads to:

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$$\varepsilon \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + e_{\alpha j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}}\right) f_{\alpha} + \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon^{2} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + e_{\alpha j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}}\right)^{2} f_{\alpha}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\tau} \left(f_{\alpha} - f_{\alpha}^{(0)}\right) + \frac{\varepsilon}{6e^{2}} e_{\alpha i} F_{i}$$

$$+ \frac{\varepsilon^{2}}{12e^{2}} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + e_{\alpha j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}}\right) e_{\alpha i} F_{i} + O(\varepsilon^{2}).$$
(3.108)

Expanding  $f_{\alpha}$  around  $f_{\alpha}^{(0)}$  yields:

$$f_{\alpha} = f_{\alpha}^{(0)} + \varepsilon f_{\alpha}^{(1)} + \varepsilon^2 f_{\alpha}^{(2)} + O(\varepsilon^3), \qquad (3.109)$$

where  $f_{\alpha}^{(0)} = f_{\alpha}^{(eq)}$ , and so equation (3.108) to order  $\varepsilon$  may be expressed as:

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + e_{\alpha j}\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}\right)f_{\alpha}^{(0)} = -\frac{1}{\tau}f_{\alpha}^{(1)} + \frac{1}{6e^2}e_{\alpha i}F_i, \qquad (3.110)$$

and to order  $\varepsilon^2$  given:

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + e_{\alpha j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}}\right) f_{\alpha}^{(1)} + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + e_{\alpha j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}}\right)^{2} f_{\alpha}^{(0)}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\tau} f_{\alpha}^{(2)} + \frac{1}{12e^{2}} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + e_{\alpha j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}}\right) e_{\alpha i} F_{i}.$$

$$(3.111)$$

Insertion of equation (3.110) into (3.111) yields:

$$\left(1 - \frac{1}{2\tau}\right) \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + e_{\alpha j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}\right) f_{\alpha}^{(1)} = -\frac{1}{\tau} f_{\alpha}^{(2)}.$$
(3.112)

Taking  $\sum [(3.110) + \varepsilon \times (3.112)],$ 

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha}^{(0)} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left( \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha j} f_{\alpha}^{(0)} \right) = 0, \qquad (3.113)$$

where the second-order accurate continuity equation (2.51) is obtained by evaluating the terms in (3.113).

Taking the sum of  $\sum e_{\alpha i}[(3.110) + \varepsilon \times (3.112)]$  yields:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} f_{\alpha}^{(0)} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}} \left( \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} e_{\alpha j} f_{\alpha}^{(0)} \right)$$

$$+ \varepsilon \left( 1 - \frac{1}{2\tau} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}} \left( \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} e_{\alpha j} f_{\alpha}^{(1)} \right) = F_{i}.$$
(3.114)

By simplifying the above equation with (3.43), we obtain:

$$\frac{\partial hu_i}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (hu_i u_j)}{\partial x_j} = -g \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left(\frac{h^2}{2}\right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \Lambda_{ij} + F_i, \qquad (3.115)$$

where

$$\Lambda_{ij} = \frac{\varepsilon}{2\tau} (2\tau - 1) \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} e_{\alpha j} f_{\alpha}^{1}.$$
(3.116)

Considering equations (3.43) and (3.110), yields the expression:

$$\Lambda_{ij} \approx -\frac{e^2 \varepsilon}{6} (2\tau - 1) \left[ \frac{\partial h u_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial (h u_j)}{\partial x_i} \right].$$
(3.117)

The substitution of (3.117) into (3.115) results in the momentum equation (2.52), which is second-order accurate.

Zhou [4] highlighted that a second order accurate force term in the lattice Boltzmann equation (3.17) can be generated through equation (3.101) obtained using the same Chapman-Enskog expansion. However, second order accuracy is not achievable for the basic scheme force terms (equation (3.100)), which provide only first-order accuracy. Therefore, Zhou concluded that the centred scheme is the correct choice for determining the force in the lattice Boltzmann equation (3.17). The advantage is due to the capability of the centred scheme in representing the action of forces on the particle during streaming. Incorporation of force into the streaming step reproduces the essential physics required to achieve accurate solutions. A proof of the centred scheme satisfying a necessary property of the numerical scheme is given in Appendix A.

#### 3.3.2 Discretization Errors

As discussed in the previous section, the centred scheme satisfies the numerical scheme property to second order accuracy, which leads to consistency of accuracy for the lattice Boltzmann equation. In terms of satisfaction of the numerical scheme, the second order accuracy of the basic force scheme can also be proven in the same manner as given in Appendix A. Therefore, analysis of the discretization errors for both the basic (equation (3.100)) and the second-order (equation (3.101)) schemes is described here.

Firstly, a Taylor expansion of the force terms [4] in the basic scheme (3.100) gives:

$$F_i = F_i(\mathbf{x}, t) = F_i\left(\mathbf{x} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{e}_{\alpha}\Delta t, t\right) - \frac{\Delta t}{2}\mathbf{e}_{\alpha j}\frac{\partial F_i(\xi_0, t)}{\partial x_j},$$
(3.118)

where  $x < \xi_0 < \left(x + \frac{1}{2}e_{\alpha}\Delta t\right)$ . Since  $e_{\alpha j} \sim e$  and  $e\Delta t = \Delta x$ , equation (3.118) can be written as:

$$F_i = F_i(\boldsymbol{x}, t) = F_i\left(\boldsymbol{x} + \frac{1}{2}\boldsymbol{e}_{\alpha}\Delta t, t\right) + O(\Delta \boldsymbol{x}).$$
(3.119)

Secondly, a Taylor expansion of the force terms in the second-order scheme (equation (3.101)) leads to:

$$F_{i} = \frac{1}{2} [F_{i}(x,t) + F_{i}(x + e_{\alpha}\Delta t, t)]$$

$$= F_{i} \left( x + \frac{1}{2} e_{\alpha}\Delta t, t \right)$$

$$+ \frac{\Delta t}{4} e_{\alpha j} \left[ \frac{\partial F_{i}(\xi_{2},t)}{\partial x_{j}} - \frac{\partial F_{i}(\xi_{1},t)}{\partial x_{j}} \right].$$
(3.120)

where  $x < \xi_1 < \left(x + \frac{1}{2}e_{\alpha}\Delta t\right)$  and  $\left(x + \frac{1}{2}e_{\alpha}\Delta t\right) < \xi_2 < (x + e_{\alpha}\Delta t)$ .

If

$$\frac{\partial F_i(\xi_1, t)}{\partial x_j} \neq \frac{\partial F_i(\xi_2, t)}{\partial x_j},\tag{3.121}$$

equation (3.120) can then be written as:

$$F_{i} = \frac{1}{2} [F_{i}(\boldsymbol{x}, t) + F_{i}(\boldsymbol{x} + \boldsymbol{e}_{\alpha} \Delta t, t)]$$

$$= F_{i} \left( \boldsymbol{x} + \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{e}_{\alpha} \Delta t, t \right) + O(\Delta x).$$
(3.122)

Analysis of the discretization errors is made by applying these schemes to simple types of force, i.e. constant force, linearly varying force, etc.

Firstly, consider a constant force  $F_i$  such that:

$$\frac{\partial F_i}{\partial x_j} = 0. \tag{3.123}$$

Substitution of (3.103) and (3.105) into the 3.123) then reduces to the centred scheme, indicating that there are no discretization errors.

Secondly, consider the linearly varying force  $F_i$ , such that:

$$\frac{\partial F_i}{\partial x_j} = C_0, \tag{3.124}$$

where  $C_0$  is constant. Substitution of (3.124) into (3.118) yields:

$$F_i = F_i(\boldsymbol{x}, t) = F_i\left(\boldsymbol{x} + \frac{1}{2}\boldsymbol{e}_{\alpha}\Delta t, t\right) - \frac{\Delta t}{2}\boldsymbol{e}_{\alpha j}\boldsymbol{C}_0. \qquad (3.125)$$

By taking  $e_{\alpha j} \sim e$  and  $e \Delta t = \Delta x$ , equation (3.125) can be written as:

$$F_{i} = F_{i}(x,t) = F_{i}\left(x + \frac{1}{2}e_{\alpha}\Delta t, t\right) - \frac{C_{0}\Delta x}{2}.$$
 (3.126)

Inserting equation (3.124) into (3.120) leads to:

$$F_{i} = \frac{1}{2} [F_{i}(x,t) + F_{i}(x + e_{\alpha}\Delta t, t)] = F_{i}\left(x + \frac{1}{2}e_{\alpha}\Delta t, t\right).$$
(3.127)

Equation (3.126) indicates that there is discretization error in the basic scheme of the order of  $O(C_0\Delta x/2)$ . Whereas, no discretization error for the second-order scheme is evident in equation (3.127). The right hand side is merely the centred scheme [4].

If the force is a non-linear function, the basic scheme and the secondorder scheme will have discretization errors in the order of  $O(\Delta x)$  (see equations (3.119) and (3.122)). In fact, more complex representations of force will also produce additional discretization errors [89]. The above analysis implies that the centred scheme is preferable in determining force in the lattice Boltzmann model in order to obtain accurate solutions.

### 3.4 Continuum Boltzmann Equation

In general, fluids are composed of molecules that collide with one another and solid objects. The continuum assumption, however, considers fluids to be continuous [93,121].

The continuum Boltzmann equation is the continuity form of the Boltzmann equation explained in section (1.5). The main characteristic of the continuum Boltzmann equation is the Knudsen number which is used to assess the extent to which the approximation of continuity can be made [38,121]. For an ideal gas, the Knudsen number gives:

$$Kn = \frac{k_B T}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2 pL}},\tag{3.128}$$

where,  $k_B$  is the Boltzmann constant; T is the thermodynamic temperature;  $\sigma$  is the particle hard shell diameter; p is the total pressure and L is the representative physical length scale.

According to the continuum concept, the lattice Boltzmann equation can also be obtained from this type of equation [4,122,123]. Derivation of the lattice Boltzmann equation (3.17) through the continuum Boltzmann equation is explained in [4].

The first simple kinetic model, known as the Boltzmann BGK equation, is [124]

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + e \cdot \nabla f = -\frac{1}{\lambda} (f - f^{eq}).$$
(3.129)

where f = f(x, e, t) is the single-particle distribution in continuum phase space (x, e), e is the particle velocity,  $\nabla = \overline{\iota} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \overline{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y}$  is the gradient operator and  $\lambda$  is a relaxation time. The Maxwell-Boltzmann equilibrium distribution function  $f^{eq}$  is:

$$f^{eq} = \frac{\rho}{\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right)^{\frac{D}{2}}} exp\left[-\frac{3}{2}(e-V)^{2}\right],$$
(3.130)

which D is the spatial dimension; the particle velocity e and fluid velocity V are normalized by  $\sqrt{3\overline{R}T}$ , where  $\overline{R}$  is the ideal gas constant and T is the temperature. The fluid density and velocity are calculated in terms of the distribution function as:

$$\rho V = \int efde. \tag{3.131}$$

If the fluid velocity V is smaller than the non-dimensional speed of sound  $U_s = 1/\sqrt{3}$ , the equilibrium distribution function given by equation (3.130) can be expanded in the following form up to second-order [125]:

$$f^{eq} = \frac{\rho}{\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right)^{\frac{D}{2}}} exp\left(-\frac{3}{2}(e)^{2}\right) \left[1 + 3(e, V) + \frac{9}{2}(e, V)^{2} - \frac{3}{2}V.V\right].$$
(3.132)

For discrete model development, a limited number of particle velocities i.e.  $e_{\alpha}(\alpha = 1, ..., M)$  are used [4], and the distribution functions at these velocities are:

$$f_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x},t) = f(\boldsymbol{x},\boldsymbol{e}_{\alpha},t), \qquad (3.133)$$

and

$$f_{\alpha}^{eq}(x,t) = f^{eq}(x,e_{\alpha},t), \qquad (3.134)$$

which also satisfy equation (3.129)

$$\frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial t} + e_{\alpha} \cdot \nabla f_{\alpha} = -\frac{1}{\lambda} (f_{\alpha} - f_{\alpha}^{eq}).$$
(3.135)

Equation (3.135) is the lattice Boltzmann equation in Lagrangian form, which describes the change in the distribution function along its direction of motion from one point in the lattice to a neighbouring point. The Lagrangian time derivative (the left hand side of equation (3.135)) can be expressed as:

$$\frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial t} + e_{\alpha} \cdot \nabla f_{\alpha} = \frac{D f_{\alpha}}{D t}, \qquad (3.136)$$

where

$$\frac{Df_{\alpha}}{Dt} = \frac{f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{e}_{\alpha}\Delta t, t + \Delta t) - f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\Delta t}.$$
(3.137)

Substitution of (3.137) into (3.135) yields the standard lattice Boltzmann equation:

$$f_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x} + \boldsymbol{e}_{\alpha}\Delta t, t + \Delta t) - f_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x}, t) = -\frac{1}{\tau} (f_{\alpha} - f_{\alpha}^{eq}).$$
(3.138)

 $\tau = \lambda/\Delta t$  is so-called single dimensionless relaxation time.

# Chapter 4 Initial and Boundary Conditions

## 4.0 Introduction

Proper choice of boundary conditions is important in solving the governing equation encountered numerical fluid dynamics. In many cases, the choice of boundary conditions can strongly influence the accuracy of the algorithm [108,126,127].

Succi [38] categorised two classes of boundary conditions in fluid dynamics as e.g., a) boundary conditions for simple cases and b) boundary conditions for complex cases. Brief descriptions of these types of boundaries are given as follows (detailed explanations can be found in [38]):

- 1. Boundary conditions for simple fluid dynamic cases
  - Periodic: The domain becomes folded along the direction of the periodic boundary conditions pair. Because the flow region consists of same modules, the flow pattern repeats itself module after module using this type of boundary condition.
  - No-slip: Simple boundary conditions that are based on the bounce-back scheme. The incoming particles at a wall node are reflected back to the original fluid nodes.
  - Slip: Similar to the no-slip boundary condition, except that the particles are reflected in a mirror-like fashion instead of being bounced-back [38].
  - Open inlet/outlet: Open boundary conditions are applied at fluid inlets and outlets. Setting up the distribution function of the particle normal to the boundary with the zero gradients is a common technique [4].

- 2. Boundary conditions for the complicated fluid dynamics cases
  - Staircasing: A sort of lattice polymer for non-aligned solid boundaries, the cutting boundary is replaced with a zigzagging contour lying entirely on the grid. Relevant to flows in porous media.
  - Extrapolation: Second-order accurate schemes whereby the method places the wall at boundary nodes and lets the nodes undergo the same collisional step as the fluid nodes.
  - Surface elements (surfels) dynamics: A boundary that acts as flux scattering elements receiving incoming fluxes from the flow and reorganizing a corresponding set of fluxes at the surface [128].

All of these boundary conditions are commonly applied in CFD. Besides, more advanced work on boundary conditions has been undertaken by Zhou et al. [129], Yu [130] and Liu et al. [131]. This includes multi-block lattice design in the simulation of fluid flows.

Zhou [107] introduced a general elastic-collision scheme for slip and semi-slip boundary conditions to deal with water flows in arbitrary complex geometries. This is explained in detail in this chapter, which also covers the standard bounce-back scheme for no-slip boundary condition and the inlet and outlet boundaries. Initial conditions are also discussed at the end of this chapter.

## 4.1 Standard Bounce-back Scheme: No-slip

## **Boundary**

The standard bounce-back scheme is derived from the LGCA boundary conditions that are simple and widely used in implementing wall boundary conditions [38,102]. The post-collision distribution function in the lattice Boltzmann equation (3.17) coming from a solid node  $x_b$  to a water node  $x_f$  is not known during the streaming step. The bounce-back scheme is utilized to complete the unknown distribution function in the lattice Boltzmann equation [132]. In other words, the distribution function from the incoming particle  $f_{\alpha}(x_f, t)$  towards the wall boundary is bounced back into the water (see Figure 4.1) [4,38].



Figure 4. 1 An incoming particle towards the wall is bounced back into water.

For a stationary wall, the bounce-back scheme is equivalent to setting the distribution function as follows [132]:

$$f_4(x_f, t) = f_8(x_b, t), \tag{4.1}$$

$$f_3(x_f, t) = f_7(x_b, t), \tag{4.2}$$

$$f_2(x_f, t) = f_6(x_b, t).$$
(4.3)

The zero momentum of the particle close to the solid wall is summed from the above equations leading to no-slip boundary conditions. The noslip boundary condition is first-order accurate [133]. In order to achieve second-order accuracy, the wall needs to be placed in the middle of the lattice nodes, e.g. x = 1/2 with additional approximation of staircase boundary scheme treatment [106,134].

## 4.2 Modified Elastic-Collision Scheme

Elastic-collision is one of the standard schemes for a wall boundary condition in lattice gas dynamics [4]. The principle of the method is similar to the bounce-back scheme, except the sum of the particle momentum normal to the solid wall is zero, which leads to a slip boundary condition for a plane solid wall.

As it is a simple method, the elastic-collision scheme has become the most popular method for simulating fluid flows in the LBM [4,106,126]. Here a particle directed towards the boundary is reflected back into the water according to the pattern of directions shown in Figure 4.2.



Figure 4. 2 Elastic-collision scheme.

The unknown particle distribution function after streaming is:

$$f_2(x_f, t) = f_8(x_b, t),$$
 (4.4)

$$f_3(x_f, t) = f_7(x_b, t),$$
 (4.5)

$$f_4(x_f, t) = f_6(x_b, t).$$
 (4.6)

Unfortunately, the scheme is not feasible for modelling water flows in complex geometries [4]. In order to obtain the solution to the boundary condition for complex geometry, Zhou [107] proposed a modified elastic-collision scheme to achieve slip and semi-slip boundary conditions. A detailed explanation of this treatment is discussed in the next section.

## 4.2.1 Slip Boundary Condition

In explaining the treatment of the slip boundary condition for arbitrary complex geometry, it is necessary to represent the boundaries as follows,

- LC: Lattice cell
- LN: Lattice node
- BN: Boundary node
- BC: Boundary cell

To get a better understanding, an illustration of the boundaries is shown in Figure 4.3, where the boundary representation is as follows:

- Lattice cell (LC) is the control volume created around each LN, the boundaries delineated by straight-lines placed midway between each LNs.
- 2. The solid boundary shape is represented with a bold line. It divides the LNs into water and solid.
- 3. Boundary node (BN) is defined based on a water node with at least one neighbouring solid node. The fluid's LC is then called a boundary cell (BC).
- Four types of BNs are categorized based on the positions of the solid nodes:

• Type I:  $0^0 < \theta \le 90^0$ 

- Type II:  $90^0 < \theta \le 180^0$
- Type III:  $180^0 < \theta \le 270^0$
- Type IV:  $270^{\circ} < \theta \le 360^{\circ}$
- 5. A variable  $C_{ij}$  is then used to indicate the characteristics of LNs. It is taken to be the node that represents water when  $C_{ij} = 0$ , a slip boundary when  $C_{ij} = 0.5$  and solid when  $C_{ij} = 1$ .
- 6. Three subtypes are defined for each of the four BNs (see Step 4) based on the characteristic angle θ<sub>0</sub>:
  - $0^0 < \theta \le \theta_0$
  - $\theta_0 < \theta \le (90^0 \theta_0)$
  - $(90^0 \theta_0) < \theta \le 90^0$

where the characteristic angle  $\theta_0$  is between  $0^0$  and  $45^0$ .



Figure 4. 3 Illustration of boundaries [107].

A detailed description is given of the slip boundary condition treatment for a Type I BN. The remaining BN types can be formulated in the same manner.

In Type I condition (see Figure 4.4), BN is  $0^0 < \theta \le \theta_0$  and the solid boundary line x - y is treated as a horizontal line.



Figure 4. 4 Sketch of boundary for  $0^0 < \theta < \theta_0$ .

After streaming, the unknown distribution function is:

$$f_7(x_f, t) = f_3(x_b, t),$$
 (4.7)

$$f_6(x_f, t) = f_4(x_b, t), \tag{4.8}$$

$$f_8(x_f, t) = f_2(x_b, t), \tag{4.9}$$

with the characteristics of LNs  $C_{ij}$  is equal to 1 (solid node) for  $C_{i,j+1}$ and  $C_{i-1,j+1}$ .

For BN  $\theta_0 < \theta \leq (90^0 - \theta_0)$  (see Figure 4.5), the solid boundary line x - y is treated as a line with  $\theta = 45^{\circ}$ .



Figure 4. 5 Sketch of boundaries for  $\theta_0 < \theta \le (90^0 - \theta_0)$ .

The unknown distribution functions  $f_8, f_1$  and  $f_7$  after streaming are specified by:

$$f_8(x_f, t) = f_4(x_b, t), \tag{4.10}$$

$$f_7(\mathbf{x}_f, t) = f_5(\mathbf{x}_b, t), \tag{4.11}$$

$$f_1(\mathbf{x}_f, t) = f_3(\mathbf{x}_b, t),$$
 (4.12)

where in this condition, the characteristics of LNs  $C_{ij}$  is equal to 1 for  $C_{i,j+1}$  and  $C_{i-1,j}$ .

Meanwhile, for BN  $(90^{0} - \theta_{0}) < \theta \le 90^{0}$  as in Figure 4.6, the solid boundary line x - y is treated as a vertical line.



Figure 4. 6 Sketch of boundaries for  $(90^0 - \theta_0) < \theta \le 90^0$ .

Therefore, the unknown distribution functions after streaming are obtained by:

$$f_1(x_f, t) = f_5(x_b, t),$$
 (4.13)

$$f_8(x_f, t) = f_6(x_b, t), \tag{4.14}$$

$$f_2(x_f, t) = f_4(x_b, t), \tag{4.15}$$

where the characteristics of LNs  $C_{ij}$  is equal to 1 for  $C_{i-1,j}$  and  $C_{i-1,j+1}$ .

Besides the subtype conditions described above, if only one solid node exists on the left top corner of a BN (see Figure 4.7), and no matter what the slope  $\theta$  of the interface is, there is only one unknown distribution function  $f_8$  that can be stated as:

$$f_8(x_f, t) = f_4(x_b, t).$$
 (4.16)



Figure 4. 7 Sketch of boundaries.

Zhou [107] highlighted the advantages of the modified elastic-collision scheme when applied in the range of the characteristic angle  $15^0 \le \theta_0 \le$  $30^0$ . Detailed explanations of this can be found in [107], in which  $\theta_0 = 20^0$  is a highly recommended value for practical computations.

#### 4.2.2 Semi-slip Boundary Condition

When water flows over a stationary surface such as the bed of a river or the wall of a channel, the water touching the surface is brought to rest by the shear stress [38,135]. Water particles partly bounce back into the main stream and partly move along the surface subject to friction force. There is no motion normal to the surface; only a thin film of water moves tangentially along it, for which a combination of no-slip and slip boundary conditions provides the best estimate.

Zhou [136] suggested that it is necessary to consider the effect of wall shear stress in order to achieve a semi-slip boundary condition. The wall shear stress vector  $\tau_f$  due to wall friction can be expressed,

$$\tau_f = -\rho v \frac{\partial V_\tau}{\partial n^*} = -\rho C_f |V_\tau| V_\tau, \qquad (4.17)$$

where  $V_{\tau}$  is the velocity vector parallel to the wall;  $n^*$  is the outward coordinate normal to the wall; and  $C_f$  is the friction factor at the wall. The wall friction factor  $C_f$  may be estimated with the Manning roughness  $n_f$ by:

$$C_f = \frac{gn_f^2}{h^{1/3}}.$$
 (4.18)

The velocity vector normal to the wall tends to be zero if the slip boundary condition is applied at the boundary node. Thus,

$$\boldsymbol{V}_{\tau} \approx \boldsymbol{V}.\tag{4.19}$$

Substitution of equation (4.19) into (4.17) gives the tensor form of wall shear stress:

$$\tau_{fi} = -\rho C_f u_i \sqrt{u_j u_j}.\tag{4.20}$$

Hence, a semi-slip boundary condition can be used at the boundary node by adding the wall shear stress  $\tau_{fi}$  into the force term  $F_i$  in the lattice Boltzmann equation (3.17) together with the slip boundary condition.

## 4.3 Inflow and Outflow

To obtain realistic simulation results, appropriate inlet and outlet boundary conditions are required, which work as constraints to ensure consistency with the surrounding flow conditions. In fact, dependent flow variables (such as velocity and water depth) at the boundary have to reflect correctly the actual situation.

In conventional numerical methods, it is common to assign a given velocity profile at the inlet while imposing a given water depth at the outlet [38]. In LBM, the zero gradients technique for these physical variables in the computational analysis has been proven to give satisfactory results [4].

The zero gradient technique can be applied to the unknown distribution function  $f_1$ ,  $f_2$ ,  $f_8$  and  $f_4$ ,  $f_5$ ,  $f_6$  at the inlet and outlet boundary (see Figure 4.8), respectively, as follows:

$$f_{\alpha}(1,j) = f_{\alpha}(2,j), \alpha = 1, 2, 8.$$
(4. 21)

$$f_{\alpha}(N_x, j) = f_{\alpha}(N_x - 1, j), \alpha = 4, 5, 6, \qquad (4.22)$$

with  $N_x$  is the total lattice number along x.



Figure 4. 8 Sketch of inlet and outlet boundaries.

In addition, the unknown distribution functions at the inlet can also be obtained with the method proposed by Zou and He [127]. In this method, the velocity of the flow and the water depth should be known beforehand. Substituting  $f_{\alpha}$  into equation (3.48) and (3.53), one can obtain three equations:

$$f_1 + f_2 + f_8 + f_3 + f_4 + f_5 + f_6 + f_7 + f_9 = h,$$
 (4.23)

$$e(f_1 + f_2 + f_8) - e(f_4 + f_5 + f_6) = hu, \qquad (4.24)$$

$$e(f_2 + f_4) - e(f_6 + f_8) + ef_3 + ef_7 = hv.$$
(4.25)

By assuming v = 0 in the above equations (4.23) – (4.25), the solution for the unknown distribution functions  $f_1, f_2, f_8$  at the inlet boundary are

$$f_1 = f_5 + \frac{2hu}{3e},\tag{4.26}$$

$$f_2 = \frac{hu}{6e} + f_6 + \frac{f_7 - f_3}{2},\tag{4.27}$$

$$f_8 = \frac{hu}{6e} + f_4 + \frac{f_3 - f_7}{2}.$$
(4.28)

In a similar way, the unknown  $f_4$ ,  $f_5$ ,  $f_6$  for the outlet boundary can be obtained as:

$$f_5 = f_1 + \frac{2hu}{3e},\tag{4.29}$$

$$f_4 = -\frac{hu}{6e} + f_8 + \frac{f_7 - f_3}{2},\tag{4.30}$$

$$f_6 = -\frac{hu}{6e} + f_2 + \frac{f_3 - f_7}{2}.$$
(4.31)

#### 4.4 Initial Condition

The unsteady flow of water in channels, the run up and run down of waves at a beach, and the rise and fall of tidal sea levels represent dynamical systems. A dynamical system is a concept in mathematics, where a fixed rule describes the time dependence of a point in a geometrical space [137]. The behaviour of a dynamic system is dependent upon the initial conditions [138].

In LBM, there are two ways to specify an initial condition [4]: a) set random values between 0 and 1 for the distribution function  $f_{\alpha}$  and b) choose the local equilibrium function  $f_{\alpha}^{eq}$  as an initial condition for  $f_{\alpha}$ i.e.  $f_{\alpha}^{eq} = f_{\alpha}$ .

In steady flow analysis, there is no difference between solutions obtained with these two initial conditions. However, in terms of efficiency and accuracy, the second method is preferred. This relates to the fact that the determination of a macroscopic quantity is much easier than the microscopic [4].

# Chapter 5 Moving Boundary for Wave Run Up

## 5.0 Introduction

Flows with moving boundaries occur in many practical cases such as sediment transport in coastal areas [139], a moving valley glacier in isothermal shallow ice [140], heat transfer due to solidification or melting [141], etc. Most of these flows involve physical boundaries as a part of the numerical solution procedures [142].

In civil engineering, moving boundaries are normally found in wave overtopping, run-up, etc. Moving boundaries have been studied in detail by several researchers including Pontillo et al. [143], Sierra et al. [144], Tuan et al. [145], Hu et al. [72] and Dodd [70]. Long wave run up such as a tsunami subject to wave propagation over the beach is another type of problem worthy of study, and has attracted a great deal of research interest in recent years [53,54,61,64,70,76]. In practice, it is challenging to develop satisfactory computational techniques to treat a system with a moving boundary [74].

To date, a number of techniques exist to treat moving boundary problems. Shyy [74] identifies three main categories:

- a) Moving-grid (Lagrangian) methods,
- b) Fixed-grid (Eulerian) methods and
- c) Combined Lagrangian-Eulerian methods.

Lagrangian methods utilize the interface tracking procedure. In these methods, interfacial conditions are implemented whereby the grid system is continuously updated to match the movement of interface (see Figure 5.1). The fluxes are estimated from the neighbouring computational cell in the calculation.


Figure 5. 1 Interface tracking of Lagrangian method.

In the Eulerian methods, the interfacial conditions are incorporated into the flow equations (see Figure 5.2). The interface profile is not explicitly tracked, but estimated after the computation is updated at every time step [74].



Figure 5. 2 Interface tracking of Eulerian method.

In the combined Lagrangian-Eulerian method, the interface is advected in a Lagrangian framework, whereas the mass, momentum, and energy conservation equations are solved on a fixed (Eulerian) grid.

Each of these methods has its own strengths and weaknesses. Shyy [74] highlighted that it is less natural to express the moving boundaries in an Eulerian method than in a Lagrangian method, where computation is done at fixed grid elements as they move in time through space. However, the moving boundaries are handled naturally in Lagrangian methods, but perform poorly in flows exhibiting strong shearing and vorticity motion.

In the current study, Eulerian based techniques that are used for moving shoreline boundaries are utilized in the lattice Boltzmann model in treating wave run-up at a beach.

#### 5.1 Treatment of the Moving Shoreline

Moving shoreline is a term used for locating the wetting and drying of wave motion (run-up and down). It can be analyzed numerically using an appropriate moving boundary approach. It is coupled with the conventional numerical method in modelling a wave run-up model.

Several different approaches have been developed and improved for simulating wave run-ups. The earliest of the moving shoreline methods was developed by Preissmann [69], who proposed the use of a very simple slot technique. It allows the open channel flow equations to imitate pressure flow equations for an enclosed cross section [146]. In particular, the slot geometry (or so called Preissmann slot) is assigned in the dry domain to allow the water surface to rise to the hydraulic gradeline within the slot. Madsen et al. [147] proposed a porous cells technique, in which a diffusion-style assumption is introduced to smooth the progressive inundation of the cell. Subsequently, Dodd [70] and Oey [71] assigned a thin film of fluid in the dry cells such that the primitive equations in these cells can be solved together with other points (wet cells).

Hu et al. [72] additionally proposed a minimum friction depth that is used to overcome the instability caused by the effect of minimum water depth by considering the friction factor at bed channel. In this technique, the minimum friction depth is used to calculate an equivalent friction loss when the water depth is shallower than the minimum friction depth.

One popular technique of simple extrapolation from within the local flow domain to the location of the moving front is proposed by Sielecki and Wurtele [73], Titov and Synolakis [51] and Lynett et al. [64]. This approach additionally ignores the kinematics of the moving front [74].

All these moving shoreline techniques are successfully implemented in wave run-up simulation studies [10,14,16,17,21,26,29,148,149]. Indeed, there are many types of conventional numerical models that have been developed and improved upon these techniques. For example, Titov and Synolakis [51] developed a variable-grid finite difference formulation model called VTCS-2. This model is capable of calculating the wave run-up without applying any ad-hoc coefficients.

Fuhrman and Madsen [52] further studied and modelled wave run-up. They produced a numerical analysis of wave run-up based on a high-

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order Boussinesq-type method. A regression approach for the extrapolation scheme through the wet-dry boundary was introduced.

Meanwhile, Yamazaki et al. [53] suggested a depth-integrated nonhydrostatic formulation in their numerical model, which is equivalent to the Boussinesq equations for weak dispersive waves.

Mahdavi and Talebbeydokhti [54] developed a model based on the Runge-Kutta method. The model analyzed 1D wave run-up by utilizing the altered MUSCL (Monotone Upstream-centred Schemes for Conservation Laws) scheme, which provides highly accurate numerical solutions to shocks, discontinuities and large gradient problems [75].

Although there are many models developed for wave run-up using conventional numerical methods, very limited attempts have been made for the LBM. In 2008, Frandsen [76] proposed a lattice Boltzmann model for wave run-up and simulated 1D tsunami wave run-up on a plane beach with the standard BGK LBM without flow turbulence.

Implementation of the moving shoreline boundary for wave run-up is employed in the present lattice Boltzmann study. The thin film and linear extrapolation moving shoreline techniques are applied in an Eulerian frame and presented in this chapter.

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#### 5.1.1 Thin Film Technique

Thin film algorithms are simple; the cell is assumed to be dry only when the water depth h within the cell is below a minimum water depth  $h_{min}$ , otherwise, the cell is assumed to be wet (i.e., the technique deals with cells that are either completely wet, or dry but retain a small minimum depth of water [61]).

Consequently, a wet cell becomes dry if there is excessive flow divergence from that cell, and a dry cell becomes wet if there is sufficient convergence. The divergences and convergences of the flows depend on pressure gradients and surface friction across the cells interfaces [71]. Detailed explanations of these can be obtained by referring to Hu et al. [72] and Oey [71].

In the technique, a thin layer of fluid  $h_{min}$  is first defined throughout the domain (see Figure 5.3).



Figure 5. 3 Illustration of thin film of fluid  $h_{min}$ .

The cell is assumed to be dry only when the water depth h within the cell is below  $h_{min}$ . Otherwise, the cell is wet. In this technique, the lattice Boltzmann equation (3.17) is used to calculate the new water depth hwithin all cells. However, for a dry cell where  $h \leq h_{min}$ , the water depth h and flow velocity are set to  $h_{min}$  and zero, respectively.

At each time step during the calculation, the water depths h at the cell's interfaces are checked and the velocity u is set to zero if the water depth drops below or equal to the minimum water depth  $h_{min}$ , i.e.  $u_i = 0$  for  $h \leq h_{min}$ .

The lattice Boltzmann equation (3.17) is simultaneously applied with the thin film technique to model wave run-up phenomena.

#### 5.1.2 Linear Extrapolation Technique

Another simple technique is a linear extrapolation. In this technique, the cells are extrapolated from within the local flow domain to the new location of the moving front. Sielecki and Wurtele [73] were first to propose the idea of extrapolating nodes between shoreline boundaries. This was followed by Kowalik [10] who used a leapfrog scheme in approximating the non-linear shallow water equations. The model was developed by taking into consideration the 1D and nonbreaking problems of wave run-up.

Lynett et al. [64] began with a search for a scheme that allows the wetdry boundary to exist at any location that is not restricted to a node on a fixed grid. They developed an extrapolation technique for 1D and 2D wet-dry problems. This technique allows the wet-dry boundary to exist in between the nodal points as shown in Figure 5.4.



Figure 5. 4 Run-up of 1D solitary wave in *x*-direction. Solid line denotes locations that are determined using the primitive equations, whereas dots are the extrapolated nodes.

As depicted in the Figure 5.4, an extrapolation performed for a 1D solitary wave propagating on a 1:20 beach slope. The solid line shows the free surface locations that are determined using the primary equations. Meanwhile, the dots show the linear extrapolated points.

The extrapolation algorithm first involves dividing the node into dry and wet cells. The criteria for wet and dry conditions are based on the water depth h at a cell. A dry area is defined as the water depth h at the cells within the region containing the minimum water depth  $h_{min}$ . In these cells, the flow velocity and water depth are set to zero and  $h_{min}$ , respectively.

In implementing the technique for the run-up simulation process, a thin layer of fluid  $h_{min}$  is defined throughout the domain. The process is then followed by calculating the new water depth h via the lattice Boltzmann equation (3.17) at a node, as long as its water depth h is above the set minimum value  $h_{min}$  i.e.  $h > h_{min}$ . Otherwise, the flow variables at the node with  $h \le h_{min}$  are extrapolated.

The scheme is straightforward to be applied to the 1D problem, where by using the two wet points nearest to the wet-dry boundary, a linear extrapolation in the dry region is performed (see Figure 5.4). For 2D problems, the procedure is more complicated. The process of extrapolation in the 2D problem starts with the illustration as shown in Figure 5.5, in which, the dry node D is pictured to have 8 neighbour points of wet nodes  $W_{1-8}$ .



Figure 5.5 Illustration of a dry node *D* with eight wet surrounding points  $W_{1-8}$  in 2D lattices.

In this case, each of the dry nodes is checked for its surrounding eight nodes, each of which is wet. 1D linear extrapolation is used to estimate the free surface at the dry node. In other word, each of the nearest wet nodes  $W_{1-8}$  is extrapolated according to the directions shown in Figure 5.6, and the extrapolated values at the dry node D from the wet nodes are then taken as the averaged from.  $(\sum W_1 + W_2 + \cdots + W_8)/8$ . This procedure is then repeated for the second layer of dry nodes



Figure 5. 6 6-directions of wet nodes W extrapolation towards a dry

node D.

# Chapter 6 Stability, Errors, and Solution Procedures for LB Models

#### 6.0 Introduction

Errors in numerical methods are a common problem. Without special care, errors may cause the numerical system to become unstable.

However, through detailed analysis, cumulative errors (that could cause instability) can be avoided or reduced.

Linear and nonlinear stability analyses can be undertaken for uniform flows [34]. The Fourier method of John von Neumann is a standard stability analysis applicable to nonlinear systems or full-space problems [34,150]. It has been applied by Sterling and Chen [92] in analyzing the stability of the LBM. Cao et al. [151] stated that the use of semi-implicit schemes might be an option for improving LBM stability. The unknown density and momentum in the local equilibrium function can easily be obtained through moment equations. It obviates the solution of a tridiagonal matrix.

In LBM, the instability problem encountered is due to the discrete form of the lattice Boltzmann equation [4]. Although some preliminary work exists, the stability of the LBM has not been well-understood [33,92,152]. In fact, there are several aspects that need to be taken into account.

This chapter describes the particular stability factors needed in shallow flow lattice Boltzmann models such as LABSWE and LABSWE<sup>TM</sup>. In addition, the source of errors for the models is discussed. This is followed by a solution procedure for: LABSWE and LABSWE<sup>TM</sup>, and a wave runup lattice Boltzmann model.

#### 6.1 Stability Conditions

Theoretically, the stability conditions are not generally known for LBM, and may be different for different problems. For the shallow water flows models, LABSWE and LABSWE<sup>TM</sup>, Zhou [4] simplifies the stability aspect to four basic criteria. These criteria are summarized, according to the physical water flow properties when solving the lattice Boltzmann equation (3.17), as follows:

Firstly, as dispersion is a common feature of water flows [92], kinematic viscosity (see equation (3.68)) must be a positive value; i.e.

$$\nu = \frac{e^2 \Delta t}{6} (2\tau - 1) > 0. \tag{6.1}$$

It can be deduced from above, that the relaxation time  $\tau$ :

$$\tau > \frac{1}{2}.\tag{6.2}$$

Secondly, the lattice Boltzmann equation (3.17) often encounters numerical instability for high Reynolds number flows [151], in such case, time step and spatial step must satisfy the Courant Friedricks-Lewey (CFL) [153] condition for a stable solution to be achieved. Therefore, in order to make the lattice Boltzmann equation (3.17) consistent with the CFL conditions, the Courant number  $C_r$  of the scheme should be smaller than unity,

$$C_r = \sqrt{u_j u_j} \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} < 1.$$
(6.3)

In other words, the magnitude of the resultant velocity must be smaller than the speed calculated from the lattice size divided by the time step; i.e.

$$\sqrt{u_j u_j} < \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} = e. \tag{6.4}$$

Thirdly, the wave speed in shallow water should also be less than the maximum speed e that the lattice can support; i.e.

$$\sqrt{gh} < e. \tag{6.5}$$

Finally, as the lattice Boltzmann is limited to low speed flows [4], subcritical shallow water flow is assumed, and so:

$$F_r = \frac{\sqrt{u_j u_j}}{\sqrt{gh}} < 1. \tag{6.6}$$

These four stability criteria must be met when applying the LABSWE and LABSWE<sup>TM</sup>. It should be noted that, there are other advanced techniques for analysing stability [91,150,154,155] that could be used to improve further the stability of the current model.

#### 6.2 Error Sources

Like other numerical schemes, the LBM has associated errors. Four common sources are [82,106,108,156-158]:

1) The finite size effect (grid convergence),

2) The boundary condition,

3) Round-off errors, and

4) Truncation errors.

#### • Finite Size Effect (Grid convergence)

The finite size effect is a significant source of error in the LBM [131]. The limited number of grid points in the computational lattice is known to affect the simulation results.

This type of error affects utilization of the lattice spacing. In other words, suitable lattice spacing needs to be determined to obtain accurate simulation results. In fact, in order to make the model stable, the largest possible size of lattice spacing is applied. However, it can vary from one problem to another i.e., a very big lattice may be needed for the percolation threshold in porous media simulations even if they contain very small pores [156]. Nevertheless, a refined and non-uniform grid would improve the solution. Also, the error may be reduced by avoiding the use of very small values for the relaxation parameter in the simulation.

#### Boundary condition

Errors can also appear due to the boundary conditions. Application of an unsuitable boundary could produce unphysical errors to propagate in the calculation.

The bounce-back scheme for no-slip boundary conditions is firstorder accurate. For problems involving simple geometries, the bounce-back scheme can readily generate accurate solutions. However, the bounce-back scheme is not recommended for complex geometrical shapes such as curved objects. To solve such complex geometry problems, other boundary schemes including the elasticcollision scheme for slip and semi-slip boundary conditions should be applied. These are achieved through specialised treatments, as described in Chapter 4.

#### • Round-off Errors

Round-off errors arise due to the approximation values of numbers that have been evaluated by a computer (e.g., instead of 1/3, the number is limited to six decimal points 0.333333 in single precision on a computer) [159]. Consequently, the accuracy of the model will decrease, and this may cause the model to be invalid. Nevertheless, round-off errors can be reduced by choosing double precision.

#### • Truncation Errors

A truncation error is defined as the error caused by truncating terms in the mathematical procedure [159]. In order to reduce this error, the concept of a relative approximate error has normally been used to determine how many terms need to be considered.

In the lattice Boltzmann model for shallow water flows, higher order terms are neglected in deriving the shallow water equations when generating a second-order accurate model (see Section 3.1.5). Consequently, truncation errors may be brought in the model due to the omitted terms.

These errors have been identified as major factors affecting the LBM accuracy [89]. In addition, there are several other sources that might

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influence the accuracy of the method such as the effect of Mach number, the finite-difference error, spatial-rounding and staircase errors, which are not described in the thesis. Explanations of this stability are given by Llewellin [160].

#### 6.3 Solution Procedures

The LBM consists of simple arithmetic calculations that generate solutions of a governing partial differential equation. Moreover, LABSWE and LABSWE<sup>TM</sup> solely involve explicit calculations, which make programming easy and efficient [4]. The detailed solution procedure for lattice Boltzmann models of shallow water flows is next described.

#### 6.3.1 Procedure for LABSWE

In LABSWE, the solution procedure contains six main steps:

• Set initial values of *h*, *u* and *v*.

h, u and v, are the water depth and velocity components, respectively. In practice, these values are gathered from experimental information, or analytical solutions, or numerical data in published literature, or else assumed. The variables are used in the local equilibrium function (3.43) for the process of solving the lattice Boltzmann equation (3.17).

#### • Calculate local equilibrium function $f^{eq}$ .

 $f^{eq}$  is determined by equation (3.43) with the flow parameters h, u and v. The local equilibrium function is then used as the initial value for the distribution function  $f_{\alpha}$  i.e.,  $f_{\alpha} = f_{\alpha}^{eq}$ .

• Calculate  $f_{\alpha}$  at both collision and streaming steps from the lattice Boltzmann equation (3.17) with the relaxation time  $\tau$ 

$$f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{e}_{\alpha}\Delta t, t + \Delta t)$$

$$= f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}, t) - \frac{1}{\tau} (f_{\alpha} - f_{\alpha}^{eq}) + \frac{\Delta t}{6e^2} \mathbf{e}_{\alpha i} F_i.$$
(6.7)

Since no turbulence is considered, only a single relaxation time  $\tau > 0.5$  is required, which satisfies stability.

The process of obtaining the new distribution function  $f_{\alpha}$  on the left hand side of equation (6.7) consists of a force term calculation. Here, force terms caused by wind, bed and sidewall friction are evaluated using the third term in the right hand side of equation (6.7) as follows:

$$F_{i} = -gh\frac{\partial z_{b}}{\partial x_{i}} + \frac{\tau_{wi}}{\rho} - \frac{\tau_{bi}}{\rho} + \frac{\tau_{fi}}{\rho}$$
(6.8)

The wind, bed and sidewall shear stresses in (6.8) are determined from equations (2.59), (2.55) and (4.18), respectively.

#### Implement boundary conditions

Suitable boundary conditions are applied to calculating unknown  $f_{\alpha}$  at all boundaries.

#### • Update h, u and v

The water depth and velocities h, u and v, respectively, are then updated according to equation (3.48) and (3.53), respectively.

#### • Return to Step 2 for next time step

The above process is continued until the required results are obtained.

#### 6.3.2 Procedure for LABSWE™

In LABSWE<sup>TM</sup>, a subgrid-scale stress (SGS) model is used as indicated in Section 3.2.1 for turbulent shallow water flows. The difference between LABSWE and LABSWE<sup>TM</sup> is that in the former, a single relaxation time is used while in the latter, the total relaxation time  $\tau_t$  is used in the lattice Boltzmann equation,

$$f_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x} + \boldsymbol{e}_{\alpha}\Delta t, t + \Delta t) = f_{\alpha} - \frac{1}{\tau_{t}} \left( f_{\alpha} - f_{\alpha}^{eq} \right) + \frac{\Delta t}{6e^{2}} \boldsymbol{e}_{\alpha i} F_{i}.$$
(6.9)

The total relaxation time  $\tau_t$  in the equation (6.9) is calculated using equation (3.82). In the present study, the Smagorinsky value  $C_s$  is in the range from 0.1 - 0.4 when dealing with turbulent flows.

The solution procedure for LABSWE<sup>TM</sup> follows the six steps given for LABSWE in the previous section, except for the addition of a new step and a change in the third step according to this, respectively,

- Calculate  $\tau_t$  from equation (3.82), if LES model is used.
- Calculate  $f_{\alpha}$  from equation (6.9) with the total relaxation time  $\tau_t$ .

### 6.3.3 Lattice Boltzmann Model for Moving Shoreline

A lattice Boltzmann model for a moving shoreline in the study has been developed for predicting wave run-up at a beach. In the model computation, the usual numerical calculations are implemented at a node with a water depth of  $h > h_{min}$ , and all other cells than considered with the thin film or linear extrapolation moving shoreline algorithms. In general, the difference between both moving shoreline techniques depends on the dry node conditions. In the thin film technique, the water depth h and flow velocity at a dry node are set to  $h_{min}$  and zero, respectively. Meanwhile, for the extrapolation technique, the water depth and velocity at the dry node are extrapolated.

The solution procedure for the model follows the steps given in the previous section (6.3.1), except that a new step is added after the water depth h and velocities u, v are updated as follows:

• Update h, u and v

#### • Implementing moving boundary conditions

The solution procedures for the three models are depicted in the flow chart shown in Figure 6.1,



Figure 6. 1 Flow chart for solution procedure in LBM.

The LBM solution method in Figure 6.1 is simple and flexible, and can be implemented for complex fluid flows. In order to validate the capability of the model in predicting shallow flows, several benchmark applications of the model are presented in Chapter 7.

## Chapter 7 Applications and Discussion

#### 7.0 Introduction

Natural phenomena of free surface shallow water flows include tides, bores, wave run-up at beach, and tsunami propagation. Extreme free surface flows, such as floods can be hazardous to life and damage property. It is therefore essential that a shallow flow model can demonstrably provide accurate prediction of such natural phenomena. In this chapter, the LBM model is applied to several water flow problems in order to assess accuracy and performance. For this purpose, the test cases are divided into three main groups that are classified as follows:

- Study of recirculating flows: Five typical problems in shallow water flows with different channel geometries are simulated with LABSWE<sup>TM</sup>. For validation, the results are compared with available experimental, analytical and numerical data.
- Study of sidewall friction: LABSWE<sup>TM</sup> with the semi-slip boundary condition is examined. The effect of wall friction in turbulent flows is studied. Several different values of wall friction coefficient are applied and discussed.
- Study of moving shoreline: The shoreline tracking capability of wave run-up model is studied. 1D and 2D problems are tested for validation. Results generated by two different moving shoreline algorithms are compared and discussed.

In all computations, the relative error  $E_R$  in the velocities between two time steps is determined from:

$$E_{R} = \sum_{n=1}^{Lx \times Ly} \frac{\sqrt{(u_{n}(t + \Delta t) - u_{n}(t))^{2} + (v_{n}(t + \Delta t) - v_{n}(t))^{2}}}{Lx \times Ly}$$
(7.1)

where Lx and Ly are the total number of nodes in the x and y directions within the computational domain, respectively. Full convergence is assumed to have been achieved when  $E_R \ge 1 \times 10^{-8}$ .

#### 7.1 LABSWE<sup>™</sup>: Study of Recirculating Flows

In this section, LABSWE<sup>TM</sup> (for turbulent flow in complicated channel geometries) is validated by examining five shallow water flow problems:

a) Turbulent flow within a channel with a circular cavity,

b) Flow within an open-channel with a spur-dike,

c) Turbulent flow within a single expansion open-channel,

d) Turbulent flow within a double expansion open-channel,

e) Turbulent jet-forced flow in symmetrical and asymmetrical circular basins.

#### 7.1.1 Flow in a Channel with Circular Cavity

Rivers and streams can become pathways that accelerate the delivery of silt causing lake sedimentation [161]. In practice, the fluvial flow pattern plays an important role in the process of erosion and entrainment.

Thus, as a test case, the flow in a channel with a circular cavity is simulated by LABSWE<sup>TM</sup> to demonstrate the ability of the model in simulating the effect of turbulent flow in a river attached to a lake (a case involving complicated geometry). The model predictions are compared against simulation results obtained from a finite-difference model for unsteady flow proposed by Kuipers and Vreugdenhil [97].

The rectangular channel is 1.89m wide and 18.9m long. A 3.15m radius circular sidewall cavity is located on the right side of the channel in Figure 7.1.



Figure 7. 1 The shape of open-channel with circular sidewall cavity in plan view.

Throughout the computation, flow velocity components of u = 0.25m/s and v = 0m/s and water depth h = 0.25m are imposed at the inflow and outflow boundaries respectively of the channel.

A 190 × 70 lattice with grid space of  $\Delta x = 0.1m$  is used. A semi-slip boundary condition with surface roughness coefficient  $C_f = 0.0045$  is utilized at the solid walls. The relaxation time  $\tau = 0.6$  and the Smagorinsky constant  $C_s = 0.3$  are applied. A time step  $\Delta t = 0.03s$ satisfies the stability criteria and hence is used in the model.

#### 7.1.1.1 Results

Initially, the simulation was carried out by applying semi-slip boundary conditions for the solid wall. However, the velocity streamlines within the circular cavity slightly diverged due to the implementation of the semi-slip boundary condition. In order to overcome this problem, no-slip boundary condition was applied with relaxation time  $\tau = 0.6$ . For the no-slip condition, steady state was reached after the  $10000^{th}$  iteration with  $E_R = 5.24 \times 10^{-9}$ . The model generated fully convergence flow velocity vectors and streamlines in the cavity, as illustrated in Figures 7.2 and 7.3, respectively.



Figure 7. 2 Velocity vectors within the open-channel with circular

sidewall cavity



Figure 7. 3 Flow streamlines within the open-channel with circular sidewall cavity.

For validation, the u and v velocity components along a - a and b - b cross sections (see Figure 7.1), are compared against the alternative numerical and experimental results [97] in Figures 7.4 and 7.5.



Figure 7. 4 Comparison of velocity components u at a-a cross section.



Figure 7. 5 Comparison of velocity components v at b-b cross section.

The comparison shows that the present model generates better agreement than the results from the alternative finite difference model [97] with the experimental data [97], except for the velocity component v in Figure 7.5, which is slightly under predicted near the wall of the circular cavity.

Analysis of the relative error for velocity values u along the a - a cross section was estimated by comparing the experimental data and the predictions by lattice Boltzmann models with no-slip and semi-slip wall boundary conditions. The results obtained are listed in Table 7. 1.

	LABSWE <sup>TM</sup> Error
No-slip boundary condition	0.0215
Semi-slip boundary condition	0.0237

Table 7. 1 The velocity errors for LABSWE<sup>™</sup> compared to the experimental data.

For the semi-slip boundary condition, the error is 0.0237. For a no-slip boundary condition, the error reduces slightly to 0.0215. There is no significant difference of accuracy between both boundaries. Generally, this test proves the sufficiency of the semi-slip boundary condition in solving a shallow flow problem involving a complex geometry.

From the above analysis, the present model performs better than Kuipers and Vreugdenhill's solver in predicting flow recirculation in a sidewall cavity expansion.
# 7.1.2 Flow in a Channel with Spur-dike

A spur-dike is a river training structure such that one end is adjacent to the riverbank and the other end projects into the main flow [162]. It is commonly used for redirecting the flow of water in a river. However, the presence of a spur-dike can cause flow separation and recirculation around the structure. This in turn leads to the phenomenon of scouring in the river [163]. Therefore, LABSWE<sup>TM</sup> is used to predict flow pattern around a spur-dike, which herein is taken to be a thin structure.

Nawachukwu [103] investigated this problem experimentally and conducted tests in a straight rectangular channel flume 37m long and 0.9m wide. A 3mm thick and 152mm long spur-dike projected above the surface of the water. The layout is illustrated in Figure 7.6.



Figure 7. 6 Sketch of channel with spur-dike structure.

A 900 × 90 square lattice is applied with  $\Delta t = 0.005 s$ ,  $\Delta x = 0.01 m$ and  $\tau = 0.62$ . For laminar flow condition, the Smagorinsky constant  $C_s = 0$  is used. At the upstream inflow boundary, the velocity components are set to u = 0.253 m/s and v = 0 m/s. At the downstream outlet, the velocity components are extrapolated and the water depth is set to h = 0.189 m.

# 7.1.2.1 Results

Two types of wall boundary conditions are used in solving the spur-dike problem. At the spur-dike structure, a no-slip boundary condition is applied, while at the channel walls, a slip boundary condition is utilized.

The flow reached steady state after the 20000 iterations, with  $E_R = 2.03 \times 10^{-9}$ . Figure 7.7 show the predicted steady state velocity field.



Figure 7. 7 Velocity vector around the spur-dike.

The velocity vectors are largest as the flow accelerates past the spur-dike are a large recirculation eddy that is clearly seen after the spur.

The numerical results have further been compared with experimental data [103] at different transversal locations for non-dimensionalized velocity (dividing through by the inlet value of  $u_0 = 0.253 m/s$ ) along flow direction in Figures 7.8 - 7.12. In these figures, *b* indicates as spur-dike length.



Figure 7. 8 Comparisons of water profiles along flow direction at

transversal location of y/b = 1.



Figure 7.9 Comparisons of water profiles along flow direction at

transversal location of y/b = 1.5.



Figure 7. 10 Comparisons of water profiles along flow direction at

transversal location of y/b = 2.





transversal location of y/b = 3.



Figure 7. 12 Comparisons of water profiles along flow direction at

transversal location of y/b = 4.

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The agreement is satisfactory for all locations, except for y/b = 2, where the computed results under predict the experimental data downstream of the spur. However, it is possible that the experimental data may be erroneous specifically in this region (as indicated by similar results from other numerical comparisons done by others [162,164]).

# 7.1.3 Flow in a Single Expansion Channel

Expansion or separation in an open-channel is common in hydraulic and environmental engineering. Hydraulic structures such as spillways, chutes and flood relief canals use this approach to allow water to be diverted from the main channel [165].

Flow in an open-channel with a single expansion is one of the cases used to investigate the flow circulation pattern caused by viscous effects and by turbulence. The way turbulence is modelled can lead to different circulation patterns and lengths [166]. Turbulence plays a significant role in the simulation of the eddy flow in the recirculation circulating zone.

The performance of a k- $\varepsilon$  turbulence model discretised using a finite volume method in simulating flow in a channel with a single expansion

has been studied by Fe et al. [166]. The model predicted remarkably accurate flow circulation compared to the experimental data [167]. The same test is used to evaluate the ability of LABSWE<sup>TM</sup> in simulating flow circulation.

The channel consists of a single 0.297 *m* wide expansion on the right hand side of a channel whose inlet is with 0.206 *m* wide, as shown in Figure 7.13. The upstream flow discharge is Q = 20.21l/s and the downstream water depth is h = 24.2m.



Figure 7. 13 The schematic diagram of the single expansion channel in plan view.

The computational grid consists of  $150 \times 17$  lattices of spacing  $\Delta x = \Delta y = 0.03 m$  covering the overall 4.5 m length and 0.503 m width of the shallow channel. To include turbulence, the Smagorinsky constant  $C_s \neq 0$  is used. The wall friction coefficient is  $C_f = 0.03$  with associated

Manning value n = 0.01 (for the glass surface). The time step  $\Delta t = 0.005s$  and the relaxation time  $\tau = 0.53$  satisfies the stability criteria.

# 7.1.3.1 Results

The steady state condition is reached after the 10000 iteration. However, although the eddy after the channel expansion is reproduced, the circulation length is too short. The most accurate streamline pattern giving the best fit to the circulation length is obtained using  $C_s =$ 0.25 and  $\tau = 0.53$ , with an associated error of  $E_R = 3.16 \times 10^{-7}$ . The simulation provides very satisfactory results for streamlines and velocity vectors as illustrated in Figures 7.14 and 7.15, respectively.



Figure 7. 14 Streamline contour for channel with sidewall expansion.



Figure 7. 15 Velocity vectors for channel with sidewall expansion.

In order to validate the model, numerical results have been plotted for the velocity component u at three different locations along the *x*-direction within the eddy zone. They are compared with the experimental data [167] and the k- $\varepsilon$  simulation results [166] in Figures 7.16 – 7.18.



Figure 7. 16 The velocity component u at x = 1.53m within the eddy

zone. The circles indicate experimental data.



Figure 7. 17 The velocity component *u* at x = 2.03m within the eddy

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Figure 7. 18 The velocity component u at x = 2.53m within the eddy

zone. The circles indicate experimental data.

The predicted velocity profiles at x = 1.53m, 2.05m and 2.53m are in very good agreement with the corresponding experimental profiles. Table 7.2 lists the relative error for velocity values u between the experimental data and the lattice Boltzmann model results. It can be seen that reasonable agreement has been achieved with most errors smaller than 5%.

Position x(m)	LABSWE <sup>TM</sup> Error		
1.53	0.0295		
2.03	0.0096		
2.53	0.0179		

Table 7. 2 The velocity errors of LABSWE<sup>TM</sup> model compared to the experimental data.

# 7.1.4 Flow in a Double Expansion Channel

A double expansion channel is a common hydraulic structure. It can be used to control flow rates in rivers and dams [168], and is often an essential feature of a dam structure. Using a double expansion channel, the water in the main catchment of a dam can be diverted to several other channels downstream [168]. Moss et al. [169] conducted experimental tests for flow through a double expansion channel. Later, Chapman and Kuo [170] used the k- $\varepsilon$  method to model the same flow. With some modifications and ad-hoc corrections, the results generated by Chapman and Kuo's model were shown to be in agreement with the experimental data. The same case is repeated here in order to verify the capability of the LBM.

In this section, the channel geometry is similar to the former case (see Section 7.1.3). Instead of a single expansion, it consists of double expansions in width. The channel aspect ratio is  $1.45 = 1 + W_1/W_0$ , and is illustrated in Figure 7.19 [169,170], where  $W_0 = 20m$  and  $W_1 = 9m$  with a channel slope of 0.0005.



Figure 7. 19 The isometric diagram of the sudden expansion channel.

For computation, the domain consists of  $100 \times 40$  lattices with grid spacing  $\Delta x = \Delta y = 0.05m$  and time step  $\Delta t = 0.025s$ . The inlet velocity component  $u_0 = 2.35m/s$  and downstream water depth h = 1.524m are imposed throughout the simulation. A semi-slip boundary condition is used. The wall friction coefficient  $C_f = 0.0045$  is applied along the channel sidewalls. For the bed friction effect,  $C_b = 0.0045$  is included.

### 7.1.4.1 Results

The strong the turbulence intensity, the longer the circulation length. From the previous analysis done by Moss et al. [169], the inlet channel width with aspect ratio of 1.45 suggests that the circulation length should be in the range of 40.5m - 45m in the prototype.

In an attempt to fit the model predictions to the required length of circulating flow, the simulation was tested for several combinations of relaxation time  $\tau$  and Smagorinsky constant  $C_s$ . Relaxation times  $\tau$  in the range of 0.53 - 0.55 were used together with 0.1 - 0.4 of  $C_s$  for the model simulation. As a result,  $C_s = 0.4$  and  $\tau = 0.55$ , were found to give the best match to the required circulation length. Steady state results are reached after the  $6500^{th}$  iteration, with  $E_R = 6.516 \times 10^{-6}$ . The simulation results are plotted as in Figures 7.20 and 7.21.



Figure 7. 20 Comparison of predicted velocity component *u* across the channel with experimental measurements [169].

Figure 7.20 compares the LBM model predictions against experimental data obtained by Moss et al. [169] for the transverse profile of the velocity component u (across the recirculation zone) at three different streamwise locations along the channel. As depicted in the figure, the predictions demonstrate close good agreement with the experimental data.

The simulated velocity vector field is symmetric, and so is plotted over half the channel in Figure 7.21. The model formed well-developed circulating flows behind the step. The predicted value of circulation length in the simulation is approximately 44.5m, which agrees well with the experimental measurements.



Figure 7. 21 The velocity vectors behind a one-sided channel expansion.

The above comparison verifies the use of the proper relaxation time and Smagorinsky constant in simulating flow circulation and the velocity fields using the lattice Boltzmann model.

# 7.1.5 Jet-Forced Symmetrical and Asymmetrical

# **Flow in Circular Basins**

In civil and environmental engineering, jet-forced flows are commonly found in ponds and reservoirs for treating waste water. In fact, the jetforced flows facilitate better mixing of chemicals for treatment.

In computational fluid dynamics, modelling jet-forced flow in circular channels is a challenging task. This is due to the complexity of the boundary geometry of the circular shaped channel. Nevertheless, several authors have considered this problem [63,171-176], which involved the use of common conventional numerical methods such as Godunov-type finite volume method and finite element method.

Overall, two essential hydraulic systems are observed that can affect the fluid transport in the jet-forced hydraulic structure [177]: a) the inlet jet and b) the circulating flow. Hence, these systems will be simulated in the current study by using the LABSWE<sup>TM</sup> in testing the capability of the model.

The dimensions and flow parameters for the symmetrical and asymmetrical circular basins are shown as in Figures 7.22 and 7.23 [176].



Figure 7. 22 Geometry for the jet-forced flow in the symmetrical circular

basin.



Figure 7. 23 Geometry for the jet-forced flow in the asymmetrical circular basin.

For computation of flow in the symmetrical circular basin, the radius of the basin is r = 0.75m with inlet and outlet openings at an angle of  $\pi/15 \ rad$ . The domain consists of  $250 \times 125$  lattices with grid spacing  $\Delta x = \Delta y = 0.012m$ , and the time step  $\Delta t = 0.006s$ . For boundary conditions, the velocity component u = 0.1m/s and v =0m/s, respectively, and water depth h = 0.1m are used at the upstream of the channel. Meanwhile, the water depth h = 0.1m and the velocity components u = 0.1m/s and v = 0m/s are set at the downstream. At solid walls, a no slip boundary condition for complex shape [107] is applied.

For simulation of flow in the asymmetrical circular basin, the initial, inflow and outflow boundary conditions are repeated from the symmetrical circular basin problem, except for the radius of the basin R = 1m and the opening angle  $\pi/16 rad$  for the inlet and outlet of the channel. In this problem, the outlet position is separated by  $7\pi/8rad$  from the inlet. 280 × 160 lattice with grid spacing  $\Delta x = \Delta y = 0.0125m$  and time step  $\Delta t = 0.00625s$  are utilized in the model.

### 7.1.5.1 Results

The steady state condition for both problems is reached at  $10000^{th}$  iteration, with  $E_R = 1.60 \times 10^{-8}$  and  $E_R = 1.54 \times 10^{-7}$  for symmetrical and asymmetrical channels, respectively. In order to obtain accurate results, a number of Smagorinsky values have been tested. The best streamline with the required circulation length and pattern are obtained using  $\tau = 0.55$  and  $C_s = 0.25$ . The velocity vectors of eddy and well-developed circulation flows in the symmetrical and asymmetrical channels are plotted in Figures 7.24 – 7.27.



Figure 7. 24 Steady state velocity vectors of jet-forced flow in the

symmetrical circular basin.



Figure 7. 25 Steady state streamline contours of jet-forced flow in the

symmetrical circular basin.



Figure 7. 26 Steady state velocity vectors of jet-forced flow in

asymmetrical circular basin.



Figure 7. 27 Steady state streamline contours of jet-forced flow in

asymmetrical circular basin.

Comparison of the circulation patterns revealed that there is a close agreement between the present predictions and alternative numerical results obtained by [63,174-176]. However, there is small spurious velocities occurred near to the left hand side of the channel (see Figure 7.26). It is caused from the use of square lattice pattern in representing circular shape. Despite of the discrepancies, the use of curve boundary condition [131] and multi block [130] treatments can be applied in future to overcome this situation. To verify the model further, the velocity component u profile across the mid-section of both types of channels is plotted in Figure 7.28 and 7.29.





circular basin.



Figure 7. 29 The velocity component u across mid-section of asymmetrical circular basin.

The LBM and the boundary-fitted primitive variable scheme results are in good agreement especially in the recirculation zones.

Analysis of relative error for velocity profile across mid-section of both type channels between the numerical results and LABSWE<sup>TM</sup> was done. The results are listed in Table 7.3 indicating that there is no significant difference in the error values between both results.

	LABSWE <sup>TM</sup> Error
Symmetrical circular basin	0.0109
Asymmetrical circular basin	0.0273

Table 7. 3 The velocity error for LABSWE<sup>TM</sup> compared to the numerical results for the symmetrical and asymmetrical circular basins.

### 7.2 LABSWE<sup>™</sup>: Study of Sidewall Friction

Knowledge of the friction force is important in many open-channel engineering applications such as in the design of canals, and in sedimentation studies [47]. This affects not only physical variables including the mean flow velocity and turbulence intensity motion [48]. Neglect of friction in a numerical model will of course lead to inaccurate results.

The friction factor for bottom and sidewalls has to be determined correctly, as wrong assumptions on friction will lead to the inaccurate computation of results. It is well known (see e.g., Zhou [4]) that the boundary layer near a solid boundary has large velocity gradient in a turbulent flow due to wall friction (bottom and sides). Turbulent flow cannot be correctly modelled without taking into account the effect of wall shear stress. In fact, wall friction increases the drag coefficient of the mean velocity profile [178].

However, most 2D depth-averaged numerical hydraulics models consider only bed friction and neglect sidewall friction. This is because of the high aspect ratio between width and depth of channel for many shallow water flow condition [49]. Only a few studies [50-54] have employed sidewall friction in the numerical models. Molls et al. [55] have taken into account sidewall friction in a rectangular channel for a depth-averaged flow numerical model by modifying the standard 2D friction slope equation. The modification involves distributing the sidewall friction across the channel. It works well for the relatively simple case of subcritical flow in a straight channel. This has been confirmed by Brufau [56], in the simulation of dam break.

Therefore, in the lattice Boltzmann model LABSWE<sup>TM</sup> used in the current study to predict the turbulence phenomenon in complex flows, the semi-slip boundary condition is used to reflect the friction from sidewalls.

A numerical study of wall friction effect for the velocity distribution of turbulent flow across the channel as included herein, through a standard hydraulic problem [55] and three different hydraulic problems that have been introduced previously: a) flow within a single expansion channel, b) flow within a double expansion channel, and c) flow within a channel with circular cavity.

The experiments were conducted with and without the wall friction coefficient  $C_f$ . For the sidewall friction analysis, three different values of wall friction coefficient: a)  $C_f = 0$ , b)  $C_f = 0.01$ , and c)  $C_f = 0.03$  are used together with the semi-slip boundary condition. The predicted

velocity profile across the channel is compared at three different cross sections including upstream, eddy zone, and downstream locations.

In the present study, all the parameters and channel dimensions for the cases are the same as adopted previously in Sections (7.1.1), (7.1.3) and (7.1.4), except for the double expansion channel case, where the width of the channel is reduced to 0.5:1 for computational efficiency.

# 7.2.1 The Effect of Sidewall Friction in a Rectangular Channel (Standard case)

As a preliminary test, a simulation is made of the numerical experiment undertaken by Molls et al. [55]. The computational results are then compared with the experimental data [179].

The laboratory channel was 91.4m long and 1.52m wide, of rectangular section, made of concrete with a bed slope of 0.003. The channel bottom and sides were roughened with galvanised steel wire mesh.

For the lattice Boltzmann computation,  $914 \times 15$  square lattices are used. The time step, grid space and relaxation time are  $\Delta t = 0.025s$ ,  $\Delta x = 0.1m$  and  $\tau = 0.8$ , respectively. At the upstream inlet of the channel, the flow is set to  $Q = 0.226m^3/s$ . Meanwhile, the downstream outlet water depth is set to h = 0.319m. For a laminar flow, the Smagorinsky value  $C_s = 0$  is used. To take into account friction in the computation, a semi-slip boundary condition is employed along the channel sidewall with Manning's value n = 0.019.

At the 10000<sup>th</sup> iteration, steady state results are obtained. They are compared with experimental data and plotted in Figure 7.30. The figure shows that the lattice Boltzmann model provides predicted velocity profile in good agreement with the experiment data.





The lattice Boltzmann model is also compared with the model proposed by Molls et al. [55] based on the leapfrog scheme. The results show only a slight difference between them (see Figure 7.31).





Cross-symbols indicate experimental data by Lansford and Mitchell [179], the solid-line is lattice Boltzmann model and dashed-line for the numerical model by Molls et al. [55].

From the highly accurate results shown above, further tests are carried out for more complicated flow situations using LABSWE<sup>TM</sup>. While the ability of the LABSWE<sup>TM</sup> is examined, the effect of sidewall friction within the complex channel geometry problems is also explored.

# 7.2.2 The Effect of Sidewall Friction on Complex Flow and Channel Geometry

Through the results presented previously in section 7.2.1, the capability of the model in predicting the effect of friction on the sidewall surfaces is achieved. The model is then tested for more cases that include different flow characteristics and channel geometries, purposely to determine the effect of sidewall friction on complicated flows.

Firstly, the effect of sidewall friction is tested in the channel with a single expansion (see section (7.1.3)). The domain consists of  $150 \times 17$  lattices with grid spacing  $\Delta x = \Delta y = 0.03m$ , time step  $\Delta t = 0.005s$  and relaxation time  $\tau = 0.53$ . For channel dimensions and flow characteristic, the previous values mentioned in Sec 7.1.3 are used. These include an inflow discharge Q = 20.21l/s and outflow water depth h = 24.2m.

The model simulated ran until the  $10000^{th}$  iteration, when the water flow became fully steady. The profile of the velocity distribution across the channel u is plotted in Figure 7.32 for three different locations: a) upstream, x = 0.45m, b) within the eddy zone, x = 1.95m and c) downstream, x = 4.4m.





Figure 7. 32 *u*-velocity profile across the single expansion channel (a)

at an upstream location, (b) within the eddy zone and (c) at a downstream location. The solid-lines indicate  $C_f = 0$ , dashed-lines are  $C_f = 0.01$  and dash-dot-lines are  $C_f = 0.03$ .

The effect of the shear stress at the sidewalls of the channel can be seen clearly at the upstream location. The higher the value used for the friction, the greater the reduction in velocity. As depicted in Figure 7.32 (a), u reduces near the wall and increases in the middle of the channel due to the effect of friction. However, no significant effect of the shear stress can be seen in Figure 7.32(b) within the eddy zone due to the strong turbulence intensity. At the downstream location, the effect of unsymmetrical shear stress on the profile of the velocity is shown. The velocity component u at the left hand side of the channel in Figure 7.32

(c) is quite different to that obtained at the upstream location. In this situation, the velocity is clearly affected by the motion of the eddy.

Secondly, the effect of sidewall friction is tested on flow in a channel with double expansions (see section (7.1.4)). The width of the channel is reduced by a ratio of 1:0.5, where the original channel was as very wide. The computational domain consists of  $100 \times 40$  lattices with grid spacing of  $\Delta x = \Delta y = 0.05m$  and time step  $\Delta t = 0.025s$ . The inflow velocity component is  $u_0 = 2.35m/s$  and downstream water depth is h = 1.524m. The effect of sidewall friction is examined at three different locations: a) upstream, x = 21.75m, b) within the eddy zone, x = 50.75m and c) downstream, x = 142m. Figure 7.33 plots the results.





Figure 7. 33 *u*-velocity profile across the double expansion channel (a) at an upstream section, (b) within the eddy zone and (c) at a downstream section. The solid-lines indicate  $C_f = 0$ , dashed-lines are  $C_f = 0.01$  and dash-dot-lines are  $C_f = 0.03$ .

Figure 7.33 (a) shows the effect of the shear stress at the sidewalls of the channel at an upstream section, where the reduced values of u result from

the choice of friction coefficient. However, the shape of the velocity profile at the middle is slightly flattened. This is caused by the width of the channel. The effects of sidewall friction shown in the figure are acceptable, where it is far from the strong turbulence located at the back of the one-sided channel expansion. In the eddy zone (see Figure 7.33 (b)), there is no noticeable effect of the shear stress. For the *u*-velocity component distribution at the downstream section, the velocity profile reduces near to the wall but increases at the middle of the channel (see Figure 7.33 (c)).

Lastly, a test is carried out on the effect of friction on a complicated flow domain for the open-channel with a semi-circular sidewall cavity (see section (7.1.1)). The computational domain consists of 190 × 70 lattices with grid space of  $\Delta x = 0.1$  and time step  $\Delta t = 0.03s$  with relaxation time  $\tau = 0.6$ . Flow velocity components of u = 0.25m/s and v = 0m/sare imposed at the inflow boundary. The water depth h = 0.25m is specified at the outflow boundary. Simulation results are obtained after the 10000<sup>th</sup> iteration. Figure 7.34 plots the steady state *u*-velocity profiles at three different locations: a) upstream, x = 1.6m, b) within the eddy zone, x = 9.5m and c) downstream, x = 18m.





Figure 7. 34 *u*-velocity profiles across a channel with semi-circular sidewall cavity (a) at a upstream section, (b) within the eddy zone and (c) at downstream section. The solid-lines indicate  $C_f = 0$ , dashed-lines are  $C_f = 0.01$  and dash-dot-lines are  $C_f = 0.03$ .

The effect of the sidewall friction on the u-velocity profile can be seen clearly in Figure 7.34 (a). However, due to the fact that the channel is very wide, the velocity distribution u at the upstream location becomes flattened.

Similar to the previous analysis figure (see Figure 7.34 (b)), the use of sidewall friction has no significant effect on the velocity within the eddy zone. However, due to eddying motions within the circular cavity, the u-velocity profile at the left hand side of the channel in the Figure 7.34 (c) shows an unsymmetrical profile.

Wall friction analyses have been conducted for turbulent flow in three different channel geometries. In order to study the influence of wall friction coefficients used in the simulations, the velocity values nearest to the wall are compared at the upstream, eddy zone and downstream sections of the sudden expansion channel. The results obtained are listed in Table 7.4.

	Velocity component <i>u</i> (m/s)				
Friction coefficient	Upstream x = 21.75m	In eddy $x = 50.75m$	Downstream $x = 142m$		
$C_f = 0$	2.4001	-0.4788	1.4783		
$C_f = 0.01$	2.3569	-0.4737	1.4675		
$C_f = 0.03$	2.2823	-0.4644	1.3984		

 Table 7. 4 Velocity values at upstream, eddy zone and downstream

 locations in the sudden expansion channel.

As indicated in Table 7.4, the use of higher wall friction coefficient values  $C_f$  affects the velocity profile at the downstream and upstream locations, significantly rather than in the eddy. Hence, it is necessary to include the wall friction effect in a model simulation to obtain more realistic results.
#### 7.3 LABSWE<sup>™</sup>: Study of Moving Shoreline

Wetting and drying is a familiar feature of flows in shallow coastal zones and also in embayment and inlets [61,71]. However, with extreme tides, wetting and drying processes could affect local navigation routes. The impact can also be seen in local flow recirculation and contaminant transport [61]. Thus, the study of wave run-up is essential.

As described previously in Chapter 5, a moving shoreline algorithm is used for locating the wet-dry front in the swash zone, and hence determining wave run-up at a beach.

In this section, LABSWE<sup>TM</sup> is used with a moving shoreline boundary to validate wave run-up for: a) solitary wave run-up at a plane beach, b) solitary wave run-up around a conical island and c) wave run-up in a parabolic shaped basin. Two types of wave conditions are considered; nonbreaking and breaking. However, for the breaking wave condition, only spilling breaking waves is studied. For validation, the numerical simulation results are compared with available experimental, analytical and numerical data.

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## 7.3.1 1D of Wave Run-up Model: Solitary Wave on a Plane Beach

Spontaneous geophysical activities such as underwater earthquakes and landslides cause massive displacement of oceanic water leading to the generation of tsunami, which are known to cause extensive flood and loss of life [51]. Important aspects of such disastrous waves can be studied by simulating a solitary wave [54,58,180].

A detailed experimental study of solitary wave run-up on a plane beach has been undertaken by Synolakis [180] who considered the run-up of nonbreaking and breaking solitary waves. Synolakis's data have been used by a number of researchers [59], [64], [53] and [54] in validating their models. In the present study, two types of incident wave conditions are considered i.e.,  $H/h_0 = 0.0185$  and  $H/h_0 = 0.04$  with a beach slope 1: 19.85, where H is the solitary wave height,  $h_0$  is the still water level,  $\beta$  is the beach slope, L is the wavelength and R is the run-up height measured above still water level (Figure 7.35).



Figure 7. 35 Definition sketch of solitary wave run up on a plane beach.

The wave height of the solitary wave at t = 0 with initial wave crest located at half wavelength from the toe of the beach X may be defined:

$$\eta(x,0) = H \operatorname{sech}\left[\sqrt{\frac{3H}{4h_0^3}(x-X)}\right],$$
(7.2)

and the flow velocity is given by

$$u(x,0) = -\eta(x,0) \left[ \sqrt{\frac{g}{h_0}} \right].$$
(7.3)

For all numerical computations,  $\Delta x = 0.05m$ ,  $\tau = 1$  and  $\Delta t = 0.01s$ . The non-dimensional time is defined as:

$$t^* = t \left[ \sqrt{\frac{g}{h_0}} \right]. \tag{7.4}$$

Bed friction with Manning's coefficient n = 0.01 is included, to best fit the numerical results to Synolakis's data [181].

#### 7.3.1.1 Results using thin film shoreline algorithm

First, a lattice Boltzmann model undertaken is simulated with the thin film shoreline algorithm. In this analysis, a thin film of fluid  $h_{min} =$ 0.003*m* is prescribed to treat the wet-dry interface. Simulations are carried out for two incident wave heights,  $H/h_0 = 0.0185$  and  $H/h_0 =$ 0.04, at different time levels. To evaluate the accuracy of the model, wave profiles at fixed times of the computed data are compared with experimental results [180].

Figure 7.36 shows the results for nonbreaking solitary waves of incident wave height  $H/h_0 = 0.0185$  running up the beach of slope 1:19.85 for non-dimensional time i.e.,  $t^* = 25$  until  $t^* = 70$ .



Figure 7. 36 Comparisons of computed and experimental water free surface profiles at  $t^* = 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 65$  and 70. The solid lines represent numerical results; the symbols are experimental data [58].

As depicted in Figure 7.36, the wave profiles are well predicted. There is no significant difference between the profiles, except for the small disagreement in numerical water levels close to the shore at  $t^* = 40$ , which are slightly over predicted.

Figure 7.37 shows the development of a breaking wave with incident wave height  $H/h_0 = 0.04$ .



Figure 7. 37 Comparisons of computed and experimental water free surface profiles at  $t^* = 20, 26, 32, 38, 44, 50, 56$  and 62. The solid lines represent numerical results; the symbols are experimental data [58].

As illustrated in the figure, the simulated wave motions from  $t^* = 20$ to  $t^* = 32$  are in good agreement with the experimental data. However, at  $t^* = 38$  and 44, the very front of water profile does not matched properly, and the discrepancy continues until  $t^* = 62$ . From the experimental data, the water should continue to run-up at t = 50 before running down at  $t^* = 56$ .

## 7.3.1.2 Results using linear extrapolation shoreline algorithm

The 1D wave run-up simulation is next undertaken using a linear extrapolation moving shoreline algorithm [64]. Figure 7.38 shows the computed wave profile for a nonbreaking wave with  $H/h_0 = 0.0185$  at different times, and compared with Synolakis's experimental data.



Figure 7. 38 Comparisons of computed and experimental free surface profiles at  $t^* = 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 65$  and 70. The solid lines represent numerical results; the symbols are experimental data [58].

As depicted in the figure, the wave propagates up the sloping beach from  $t^* = 25$  to  $t^* = 45$  and accelerates down the beach from  $t^* = 50$  to  $t^* = 70$ . However, a small disagreement between the numerical result and experimental data can be found at  $t^* = 40$ , where the numerical

result near the shoreline is slightly over predicted. Overall, the wave profile is well predicted.

Figure 7.39 presents a comparison of numerical and experimental breaking solitary wave run-up with incident wave height  $H/h_0 = 0.04$ .



Figure 7. 39 Comparisons of computed and experimental free surface profiles at  $t^* = 20, 26, 32, 38, 44, 50, 56$  and 62. The solid lines represent numerical results; the symbols are experimental data [58].

As illustrated in Figure 7.39, wave run-up at the sloping beach can be seen from  $t^* = 20$  to  $t^* = 38$ . The maximum run-up level is reached at about  $t^* = 44$ , after which the run-down process take place as the water drains back down the beach slope. Small discrepancies are seen at  $t^* = 44$  and beyond. The breaking numerical results are slightly over predicted.

In order to evaluate the accuracy of the moving shoreline applications, the computed wave profiles are plotted for both moving shoreline techniques against experimental data. For nonbreaking wave conditions i.e.,  $H/h_0 = 0.0185$ , the comparison of the various wave profiles at  $t^* = 35,50$  and 70 is plotted in Figure 7.40.







In Figure 7.41, the comparison of the computed and experimental wave profiles for breaking wave condition i.e.,  $H/h_0 = 0.04$  is shown.







#### [58].

Analysis of the relative error for the water depth profile of a nonbreaking solitary wave i.e.,  $H/h_0 = 0.0185$  was made between the experimental data and the lattice Boltzmann models. The results obtained using the thin film and linear extrapolation models are listed in Table 7.5.

	Non-breaking Wave Case	
Time	Thin Film Error	Linear Extrapolation Error
$t^* = 35$	0.0173	0.0173
$t^* = 50$	0.0675	0.0368
$t^{*} = 70$	0.0767	0.0265

Table 7. 5 Water depth profile errors for thin film and linear extrapolation

models applied to the non-breaking solitary case.

As depicted in Table 7.5, the average error of the computed nonbreaking wave for the thin film technique is 0.0538. By using the linear extrapolation technique, the error is found to reduce to 0.0269. Overall, the extrapolation technique produces better results for the wave profile in 1D simulation compared to the thin film technique.

#### 7.3.2 2D Solitary Wave Run-up around a Conical

#### Island

At least 1640 people on islands around the Pacific Ocean were killed by large tsunamis in the years 1992 to 1994 [11-13]. These tsunamis badly damaged the small villages on nearby islands. The behaviour of these tsunamis, therefore, initiated many experimental and theoretical studies [10-16,52,61].

It is common to model a solitary wave in studying tsunami phenomenon. The solitary wave represents some of the important features of tsunamis well. Notwithstanding the complex spectrum of frequencies actually present in tsunamis, this solitary wave enables realistic analysis in the laboratory [15]. This has motivated the use of the solitary wave by many researchers [52,54,58,59,182,183].

Therefore, by using the lattice Boltzmann model for wave run-up, the behaviour of the solitary wave run-up around a conical island is studied here.

A series of laboratory experiments to investigate the solitary wave run-up around a conical island with water depth h = 0.32m and 0.42m was reported by Briggs et al. [15]. Three different solitary waves with three incident wave heights:  $H/h_0 = 0.05, 0.1$  and 0.2 were investigated. In the experiment, the length and width of the basin were 25m and 30m, respectively. An island of conical frustum with 0.625m height and 1:4 side of slope was placed at the centre of the basin with base and crest diameter of 7.2m and 2.2m, respectively. Figure 7.42 shows a schematic diagram of the conical island used in the experiment and the gauge locations for time series of surface elevation. The symbol  $\blacktriangle$  shows the locations of Gauges 6, 9, 22 and 16.



Figure 7. 42 Schematic diagram of the conical island: (a) plan views of the conical island and gauge locations; (b) side views of the island from A-A direction.

In the present study, experimental results [15] for h = 0.32m and  $H/h_0 = 0.045, 0.096$  and 0.181 are used to validate the model.

The computational setup consists of 250x300 square lattices,  $\Delta x = \Delta y = 0.1m$ ,  $\Delta t = 0.01s$  and  $\tau = 1$ . For a smooth concrete surface, Manning's n = 0.016 coefficient is used.

#### 7.3.2.1 Results using the thin film shoreline

#### algorithm

The thin film concept applied in the 2D model is exactly same to that used in 1D. A thin layer of fluid  $h_{min} = 0.001m$  is applied throughout the domain.

Numerical-experimental time series comparisons of solitary wave profiles for three types of incident wave height (i.e.,  $H/h_0 = 0.045, 0.096$  and 0.181) at four different gauges locations are shown in Figures 7.43 – 7.45. The gauge number is shown immediately above each subplot.



for  $H/h_0 = 0.045$  at 4 gauges. The solid line represents the numerical results. The crosses show experimental data [15].



Figure 7. 44 Time history of solitary wave interaction with conical island for  $H/h_0 = 0.096$  at 4 gauges. The solid line represents the numerical results. The crosses show experimental data [15].



Figure 7. 45 Time history of solitary wave interaction with conical island for  $H/h_0 = 0.181$  at 4 gauges. The solid line represents the numerical results. The crosses show experimental data [15].

The comparisons show that the computed wave imitates the incident wave very well. In front of the island, wave gauges 6 and 9 show a primary wave followed by a depression wave. Note that the depression wave also appears in the experimental data [183]. However, in the computed results, these vary from the experimental profiles because no boundary absorption is applied around the modelled area. Overall, the thin film model reproduces well the main features of the wave transformation around the island.

In Figure 7.46, maximum run-up heights around the island are presented for different incident wave heights. The angle is measured clockwise around the island from the incoming wave direction. For the cases where incident wave height  $H/h_0 = 0.096$  and 0.181, the predicted and measured maximum run-up heights are almost the same (see Figure 7.46 (b) and (c)). Significant differences are observed between the numerical results and the experimental data for  $H/h_0 = 0.045$ . The result overpredicts the wave in front of the island. Despite the discrepancies of maximum wave height at  $H/h_0 = 0.045$ , the computed run-up is in good agreement with the experimental data.





# 7.3.2.1 Results using the linear extrapolation shoreline algorithm

A 2D scheme proposed by Lynett et al. [64] is applied to locate the shoreline around a conical island (for details, refer to Chapter 5).

Figures 7.47–7.49 provide typical snapshots of the wave surface for incident wave heights  $H/h_0 = 0.045, 0.096$  and 0.181 at different times of a solitary wave interacting with the conical island. The snapshots are presented purposely to show the run-up and run-down phenomenon in a better way.





Figure 7. 47 Solitary wave interaction with a conical island:  $H/h_0 =$ 

0.045.





Figure 7. 48 Solitary wave interaction with a conical island:  $H/h_0 =$ 

0.096.





Figure 7. 49 Solitary wave interaction with a conical island:  $H/h_0 =$ 

#### 0.181.

As illustrated by the figures, diffraction, refraction, breaking and shoaling effects occur as the wave interacts with the island. For  $H/h_0 = 0.045$ , at

t = 31.2s (see Figure 7.47), the incident solitary wave reaches the front end of the island and generates significant run-up. Diffracted and refracted waves are created at the front and the back of the island. Trapped waves can be discerned in the right hand plots of Figures 7.47 – 7.49, due to the solitary wave that breaks along the backside of the island [184].

In order to validate the model, comparisons of the computational predictions and experimental data on time histories for  $H/h_0 = 0.045$ , 0.096 and 0.181 are presented in Figures 7.50 – 7.52, respectively.



Figure 7. 50 Time history of solitary wave interaction with conical island for  $H/h_0 = 0.045$  at 4 gauges. The solid line represents the numerical results. The crosses show experimental data [15].



Figure 7. 51 Time history of solitary wave interaction with conical island for  $H/h_0 = 0.096$  at 4 gauges. The solid line represents the numerical results. The crosses show experimental data [15].



Figure 7. 52 Time history of solitary wave interaction with conical island for  $H/h_0 = 0.181$  at 4 gauges. The solid line represents the numerical results. The crosses show experimental data [15].

For all comparisons, the main features of wave transformation are predicted quite well, except for the secondary depression waves. The numerical results show less of a depression following the main wave than in the experiments. This is clearly seen in Figure 7.51. Nevertheless, this deviation is consistent with other run-up model tests [184].

Figure 7.53 presents a comparison between computed and experimented results for maximum wave run-up height around the island for incident wave heights  $H/h_0 = 0.045, 0.096$  and 0.181.



Figure 7. 53 Maximum wave run-up around the island: a)  $H/h_0 = 0.045$ , b)  $H/h_0 = 0.096$  and c)  $H/h_0 = 0.181$ . The circles depict the experimental data [15]. The solid line represents the numerical results.

For the maximum run-up height results depicted in Figure 7.53, the computed results show a good agreement with the experiments, except for  $H/h_0 = 0.181$ , where, the numerical results give under prediction from angle 0<sup>o</sup> to 110<sup>o</sup>. As the depth-averaged shallow water equation is utilized in the model, it is incapable of predicting the breaking wave accurately. In fact, the results agreed with the previous analyses [183]. Despite the discrepancies, the linear extrapolation run-up model is in overall agreement with the experimental data.

In order to investigate the accuracy of the two moving shoreline techniques, comparisons of computed wave time histories for both moving shoreline techniques at each incident wave height  $H/h_0 = 0.045, 0.096$  and 0.181 have been made for Gauge 9 and 22 in Figures 7.54 - 7.56.



Figure 7. 54 Comparison of computed water level time histories based on the two moving shoreline techniques for  $H/h_0 = 0.045$  at Gauge 9 and 22. Symbols indicate experimental data [15].



Figure 7. 55 Comparison of computed water level time histories based on

the two moving shoreline techniques for  $H/h_0 = 0.096$  at Gauge 9 and 22. Symbols indicate experimental data [15].



the two moving shoreline techniques for  $H/h_0 = 0.181$  at Gauge 9 and 22. Symbols indicate experimental data [15].

An analysis of relative error was done for the instantaneously water depth h for both moving shoreline models in comparison with the experimental data at gauge 9. It is found that, the linear extrapolation model is most likely to predict the secondary depression wave formation significantly with a relative error value of 0.0186 compared to the thin film model results which have a relative error of 0.0193.

### 7.3.3 2D Long Wave Resonance in a ParabolicBasin

Wetting and drying in a parabolic basin provide a valuable test case for the verification of 2D shallow water models with a moving shoreline [185].

Thacker [186] presented an analytical solution of the nonlinear shallow water equations for this case. The solution has been used as a benchmark case by other researchers [52,62,64,66-68] in validating their models. Therefore, this is a reliable test for the lattice Boltzmann model.

The initial water surface elevation and flow velocities are given as follows [186]:

$$\eta(r,t) = h_0 \left[ \frac{(1-A^2)^{1/2}}{1-A\cos(\omega t)} - 1 - \frac{r^2}{a^2} \left( \frac{(1-A^2)}{(1-A\cos(\omega t)^2)} - 1 \right) \right],$$
(7.5)

$$u(r,t) = \frac{1}{1 - A\cos(\omega t)} \left(\frac{1}{2}\omega x A \sin(\omega t)\right),\tag{7.6}$$

$$v(r,t) = \frac{1}{1 - A\cos(\omega t)} \left(\frac{1}{2} \omega y A \sin(\omega t)\right), \tag{7.7}$$

where the frequency  $\omega$  and coefficient A are given, respectively by:

$$\omega = \sqrt{8gh_0/a^2},$$

$$A = \frac{(a^2 - r_0^2)}{a^2 + r_0^2},$$
(7.8)

and the basin shape is:

$$z_b(r) = h_0 \left( 1 - \frac{r^2}{a^2} \right), \tag{7.9}$$

in which  $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$  is the distance from centre point;  $r_0$  the distance from the centre point to the point where the shoreline initially located. The depth profile for the basin and the definition of  $a, r_0$  and  $h_0$  are shown in Figure 7.57. The values used for the numerical test are similar to that used by Marche et al. [68]; a = 1,  $r_0 = 0.8m$ , and  $h_0 = 0.1m$ .



Figure 7. 57 The initial free surface profile in the parabolic shaped basin.

Initially, the simulation was carried out for the thin film and the linear extrapolation techniques layered with minimum water depth  $h_{min} = 0.0005m$  and grid space of  $\Delta x = \Delta y = 0.025m$  until  $4\frac{1}{2}$  oscillation cycles of period *T* were completed. The wave profile results for both wetting and drying techniques were in poor agreement with the analytical solution, and began to deviate as early as t = 2T. This may be due to the omission of the dissipative term in the shallow water equation, which is consistent with the deviation effects noted by other researchers [14,52,64]. Grid convergence test is used in deciding the suitability of grid spacing in the model. In this test, grid spacing of dx = 0.01m and

0.005*m* with time step dt = 0.001sec and relaxation time  $\tau = 0.62$ were used for both wetting and drying algorithms. The results obtained by using the thin film model with the grid space of dx = 0.005m were very good compared to those for dx = 0.01m.

However, for the linear extrapolation model, the combination of the grid space dx = 0.005m with the time step dt = 0.001sec and the relaxation time  $\tau = 0.62$  caused the model to become unstable. Therefore,  $601 \times$ 601 lattice grids with  $\Delta x = \Delta y = 0.005m$  were used for the linear extrapolation model computation. The time step was  $\Delta t = 0.0005sec$ with  $\tau = 0.65$  that satisfies the stability criteria.

### **7.3.3.1** Results using the thin film shoreline

#### algorithm

A simulation is carried out using the thin film technique with  $\tau = 0.62$ until  $4\frac{1}{2}$  cycles of oscillation period T had elapsed. The water profiles at the middle of the basin (in y direction) and along the x direction at different cycles are plotted and compared in Figures 7.58 – 7.62.



Figure 7. 58 Free surface profiles in parabolic basin at (a)t =

0, and (b)t = 1/2T.



Figure 7. 59 Free surface profiles in parabolic basin at (a)t =

*T*, and (b)t = T + 1/2T.


Figure 7. 60 Free surface profiles in parabolic basin at (a)t =

2T, and (b)t = 2T + 1/2T.



Figure 7. 61 Free surface profiles in parabolic basin at (a)t =

3T, and (b)t = 3T + 1/2T.



Figure 7. 62 Free surface profiles in parabolic basin at (a)t =

4T, and (b)t = 4T + 1/2T.

From the results shown in the above figures, the numerical results are in very good agreement with the analytical solutions [186] from t = T until t = 3T + 1/2T. Deviation of the thin film model results begins at t = 4T (see Figure 7.62 (a) and (b)). A plot of simulated wave run-up in 3D is shown in Figure 7.63. It shows the wave free surface in isometric view, in which the wave surface without the mesh grids represents the initial wave profile at t = 0. The wave surface that is covered with the black coloured mesh indicates the wave profile at t = 1/2T.



Figure 7. 63 Visualisations of the simulated wave surface at t = 0 and t = 1/2T, marked without the mesh grids and with the mesh grids, respectively. (a) The wave surfaces in isometric view and (b) wave profile surface in x direction.

As can be seen in Figure 7.63 (b), the shoreline moves to a new location during the computation (see the horizontal gap between both wave profiles). It should be noted that the jagging wave surface in Figure 7.63 (b) is due to plotting technique, which is different for real situation. Figure 7.64 presents further comparisons of the wave surface at different times. The computed wave surfaces during the  $1^{st}$  cycle at t = 0 and 1/2T should be compared against the surface during the  $4^{th}$  cycle at t = 4T and 4T + 1/2T, respectively.



Figure 7. 64 3D visualisations of the computed free surfaces within the parabolic basin at (a) during the  $1^{st}$  cycle at t = 0 and t = 1/2T and (b) during the  $4^{th}$  cycle at t = 4T and t = 4T + 1/2T.

The numerically predicted wave surfaces during the  $4^{th}$  cycle under predict the wave profile, unlike the  $1^{st}$  cycle. Despite the discrepancy, Figure 7.62 indicates that the thin film model simulated the long-wave run-up phenomenon in a parabolic shaped basin reasonably up to  $4^{th}$ cycle of period.

## 7.3.3.2 Results using the linear extrapolation shoreline algorithm

Analysis of long-wave run-up in a parabolic shaped basin is continued with the linear extrapolation moving shoreline technique. Simulations were carried out up to  $t = 4\frac{1}{2}T$  where T is the oscillation period. The results obtained are compared with the analytical solution and have been plotted in Figures 7.65 – 7.69.



Figure 7. 65 Free surface profiles in parabolic basin at (a)t =

0, and (b)t = 1/2T.



Figure 7. 66 Free surface profiles in parabolic basin at (a)t =

*T*, and (b)t = T + 1/2T.



Figure 7. 67 Free surface profiles in parabolic basin at (a)t =

2T, and (b)t = 2T + 1/2T.



Figure 7. 68 Free surface profiles in parabolic basin at (a)t =

3T, and (b)t = 3T + 1/2T.



Figure 7. 69 Free surface profiles in parabolic basin at (a)t =

4T, and (b)t = 4T + 1/2T.

Acceptable results are achieved up to t = T + 1/2T. However, discrepancies occur from 2T onwards (see Figures 7.67 – 7.69), where the simulated wave profiles (parabolic curve) are slightly under predicted. It is believed that this happened due to the lack of a dissipative term in the shallow water equation. The effect of the water profile deviation that is due to the dissipative term is also found in previous analyses [14,52,64].

Simulation results for both moving shoreline models are compared. The computed wave profiles at two different times are plotted in Figure 7.70. The results show no significant difference for the wave shapes between the thin film and the linear extrapolation models.



Figure 7. 70 Comparison of computed water levels for both moving

shoreline techniques at t = T and t = T + 1/2T sec. The dashed-line

indicates the analytic solution [186].

In order to evaluate the error for the two moving shoreline algorithms, analysis was carried out of the relative error for the water depth h at the middle of the basin. The water depth was compared for different selected sizes of lattice at each time cycle. Table 7.6 lists the results for  $\Delta t = 0.001 sec$  and  $\tau = 0.62$ . Table 7.7 lists the results for  $\Delta t = 0.0005 sec$  and  $\tau = 0.65$ .

Time	h(m) for the analytic solution	h(m) for the thin film model		h(m) for the linear extrapolation model
		$\Delta x = 0.01$	$\Delta x = 0.005$	$\Delta x = 0.005$
0	0.122	0.1220	0.1220	
1/2T	0.0786	0.0784	0.0785	
T	0.1221	0.1212	0.1218	
T + 1/2T	0.0811	0.0819	0.0814	
27	0.1224	0.1226	0.1225	unstahla
2T + 1/2T	0.0788	0.0812	0.0810	unstable
3 <i>T</i>	0.1224	0.1190	0.1187	
3T + 1/2T	0.0787	0.0819	0.0818	
4 <i>T</i>	0.1222	0.1176	0.1167	
4T + 1/2T	0.0788	0.0834	0.0830	

Table 7. 6 Water depth h at the middle of the basin obtained using

analytical and for the thin film and the linear extrapolation models for

 $\Delta t = 0.001s$  and  $\tau = 0.62$ .

Time	h(m) for the analytic solution	h(m) for the thin film model	h(m) for the linear extrapolation model
		dx = 0.005	dx=0.005
0	0.1220	0.1220	0.1220
1/2T	0.0786	0.0792	0.0792
Τ	0.1221	0.1225	0.1222
T + 1/2T	0.0811	0.0820	0.0820
27	0.1224	0.1199	0.1199
2T + 1/2T	0.0788	0.0822	0.0837
3 <i>T</i>	0.1224	0.1157	0.1157
3T + 1/2T	0.0787	0.0850	0.0850
4 <i>T</i>	0.1222	0.1131	0.1128
4T + 1/2T	0.0788	0.0866	0.0867

Table 7. 7 Water depth h at the middle of the basin obtained using

analytical and the thin film and the linear extrapolation models for

$$\Delta t = 0.0005s$$
 and  $\tau = 0.65$ .

Tables 7.8 and 7.9 list the corresponding relative error values for both models for (a)  $\Delta x = 0.005m$ ,  $\Delta t = 0.001s$  with  $\tau = 0.62$ , and (b)  $\Delta x = 0.005m$ ,  $\Delta t = 0.0005s$  and  $\tau = 0.65$ .

Time	Relative error %		
	Thin film algorithm		
	$\Delta x = 0.01m$	$\Delta x = 0.005m$	
0	0	0	
1/2 <i>T</i>	0.25	0.13	
Τ	0.74	0.25	
T+1/2T	0.99	0.37	
2 <i>T</i>	0.16	0.08	
2T + 1/2T	3.05	2.79	
3 <i>T</i>	2.78	3.02	
3T + 1/2T	4.07	3.94	
4 <i>T</i>	3.76	3.27	
4T + 1/2T	5.84	5.33	
Average error	2.16	2.04	

Table 7. 8 Relative error in water depth for the thin film model with  $\Delta x =$ 

0.01m and 0.005m at  $\Delta t = 0.001s$  and  $\tau = 0.62$ .

Time	Relative error %		
	Thin film algorithm	Linear extrapolation algorithm	
0	0.00	0	
1/2T	0.76	0.76	
Τ	0.33	0.33	
T+1/2T	1.11	1.11	
2T	2.04	2.04	
2T + 1/2T	4.31	6.22	
3T	5.47	5.47	
3T + 1/2T	8.01	8.01	
4 <i>T</i>	7.45	7.69	
4T + 1/2T	9.90	10.03	
Average error	3.94	4.17	

Table 7. 9 Relative error in water depth for the thin film and the linear

extrapolation models with  $\Delta x = 0.005m$ ,  $\Delta t = 0.0005s$  and  $\tau = 0.65$ .

As shown in Table 7.8, the smaller grid size produced smaller relative errors for the thin film model. From the analysis summarized in Table 7.9, the largest errors are obtained for the linear extrapolation model. Nevertheless, the average errors of results for both models are still under 5%.

The computed run-up and the run-down process can be carried on for a longer time without having any difficulties in terms of stability. The only thing to be considered before implementing this technique in the model is to make sure that the time step obeys the CFL criteria for minimum water depth value. Hence, the instability problems can be avoided.

Overall, the thin film and linear extrapolation models give satisfactory prediction of the long-wave run-up phenomenon in parabolic shaped basin up to 4T and 2T oscillation cycles, respectively. Despite the results that are not satisfactory, overall, the thin film and extrapolation techniques appear to have been successfully applied in the current lattice Boltzmann model for capturing moving shorelines.

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## Chapter 8 Conclusions and

### Recommendations

#### 8.0 Conclusions

The evolution of the LBM including the history of cellular automata and the Boltzmann equation has been explained, followed by an elaboration of the N-S equations in relation to the shallow water equations. The derivation and implementation of the shallow water equations in the LBM have been presented. The primary objective of this study is to investigate the capabilities of the LBM by utilizing the method in complicated practical situations such as those involving complex flow conditions and geometry. The model was validated against standard analytic solution and then calibrated and validated using the results of independent studies.

A simple wave run-up model using the LBM has been developed, as shown in Chapter 5. Two different types of moving shorelines were considered. The capability of the model in predicting the wave run-up was investigated by using appropriate experimental and numerical data from available literature.

#### 8.1 Recirculating Flow

LABSWE<sup>TM</sup> has been tested to predict hydraulic free surface flows in complicated channel domains. Five cases were considered:

- a) Turbulent flow within a channel with a semi-circular sidewall cavity
- b) Flow in a channel with a spur-dike
- c) Turbulent flow within a single expansion channel

- d) Turbulent flow within a double expansion channel
- e) Turbulent jet-forced flow in symmetrical and asymmetrical circular basins.

For turbulent flows, the Smagorinsky constant  $C_s$  and the semi-slip boundary condition are used to produce an appropriate flow pattern downstream of the channel expansions, the spur-dike and within the circular shaped channel. The model predicts circulating flow patterns and lengths comparable to experimental results and analytical solutions, hence proving that it is capable of efficiently simulating complicated open-channel flow phenomena.

#### 8.2 Sidewall Friction Effect

Analysis of the sidewall friction effect on complex flows in complicated open-channel geometries has been carried out. A semi-slip boundary condition is employed in the LABSWE<sup>TM</sup> using a prescribed wall friction coefficient  $C_f$ . For verification purposes, a test case undertaken experimentally by Molls et al. [55] was selected. The simulated results are in good agreement with the experimental data and alternatives

numerical results, in that the flow velocity profile affected by sidewall friction is correctly predicted.

The effect of sidewall friction was then studied for velocity profiles across the channel width. Three different channel shapes and flow characteristics were chosen:

- a) Turbulent flow in a single expansion channel with upstream Q = 20.2l/s and downstream h = 24.2m.
- b) Turbulent flow in a double expansion channel with upstream u = 2.35m/s and downstream h = 1.524m.
- c) Turbulent flow in a channel with a semi-circular sidewall cavity with upstream u = 0.25m/s and downstream h = 0.25m.

The outcomes of the simulations show no significant effects of sidewall friction within the eddy zone. This is due to the dominant effect of vorticity. The very wide channel caused the flow velocity distribution to be asymmetric in the *y*-direction. Therefore, in order to obtain a realistic profile, a longer channel should be modelled. A stable velocity profile should be obtained far from the strong turbulence in the eddy. Overall, LABSWE<sup>TM</sup> has been proven capable of modelling the effect of sidewall and bed friction.

#### 8.3 Wave Run-up and Moving Shoreline

A version of LABSWE<sup>TM</sup> implemented with a moving shoreline algorithm has been built and tested. Thin film and linear extrapolation methods were employed for the moving shoreline phenomena. The model was verified by predicting 1D solitary long-wave run-up at a beach, 2D solitary wave interaction with a conical island and 2D oscillation wave in a parabolic basin.

The implementation of the thin layer of fluid in the whole computational domain resulted in a stable and simple model. The thin film technique appears to be both a straightforward and reasonably accurate method that can be implemented in the LBM.

The extrapolation technique also successfully produced reasonable simulations of wave run-up and run-down. Despite the tricky algorithm that has to be coded in 2D hydraulic problems, the simulation results obtained are good. However, there is an issue related to conservation of mass and momentum.

Thang et al. [187] revealed an important finding. The force term included in the current lattice Boltzmann model [45] solves the shallow water problems to machine accuracy. Unfortunately, it does not precisely satisfy the correct mass and momentum balances. Therefore, the

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discrepancies obtained in the wave run-up analysis are strongly believed to have resulted from the inaccurate model system. The technique seems less accurate in preserving these two important physical elements that are essential to computational analysis in the field of CFD.

Despite the discrepancies, the simulated results are in overall agreement with available experimental data and analytical solutions.

#### 8.4 **Recommendations**

Throughout the research, several ideas have come to light, that overcome problems arising in terms of modelling and validating the wave run-up lattice Boltzmann model.

In relation to the wave run-up studies, it was noticeable that at some points, the lattice Boltzmann model is unable to predict the breaking wave phenomenon. The predicted water profile differs from the expected profile at the time when the wave is breaking because of limitations in the depth-averaged shallow water equation. This remains an important but unresolved problem [183]. In addition, there is no dissipative term in the model. The effect of the dissipative term can also be seen in the 2D parabolic basin wave run-up study case. In the simulation, the water deviates after a few times of iteration. Despite the discrepancy, this particular case is actually an ideal test for the non-linear shallow water models with dissipation term due to its sensitivity to gravitational force [64]. A dissipative term should be therefore incorporated in the lattice Boltzmann model for the nonlinear shallow water equations. Thus the model should be able to predict the breaking wave activity more accurately.

A multi-relaxation time model (MRT) should be used in future to obtain results that are more accurate. It provides the maximum number of adjustable relaxation times and allows some freedom in the construction of equilibrium functions of non-conserved moments. Despite its considerable computational load, MRT is still a good computational fluid dynamic technique in terms of stability and accuracy [89].

Finally, as the velocity and fluid depth profile in the vertical direction have become central to various analyses and studies in the CFD field, it is desirable to have a 3D model, so that the model becomes more realistic.

#### 8.5 Final Remarks

The Bhatnagar-Gross-Krook lattice Boltzmann model has been enhanced by considering a significant step in predicting complex shallow water hydraulic phenomena. Additionally, wall friction effects are also better appreciated and employed in the model. A practical wave run-up model has also been developed in connection with moving shoreline phenomena.

# Appendix AA proof of second-orderaccuracy for the stationary case $u_i \equiv 0$ with source term or non-zero force term



Figure 8. 1 Still water above an uneven bed.

There is a non-vanishing force term in the right hand side of the lattice Boltzmann equation for shallow water equations such as follows:

$$f_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x} + \boldsymbol{e}_{\alpha}\Delta t, t + \Delta t) - f_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x}, t) = -\frac{1}{\tau} \left( f_{\alpha} - f_{\alpha}^{eq} \right) + \frac{\Delta t}{6e^2} \boldsymbol{e}_{\alpha i} F_{i}.$$
(8.1)

where the force related to still water at  $u_i \equiv 0$  above bed topography as in Figure 8.1 is given by:

$$F_i = -gh \frac{\partial z_b}{\partial x_i}.$$
(8.2)

Therefore, for the LBM to be correct, the force term must be cancelled.

To demonstrate the accuracy of the LBM, a Taylor expansion is taken to the first term on the left hand side of equation (8.1) such as

$$f_{\alpha}(x + e_{\alpha}\varepsilon, t + \varepsilon)$$

$$= f_{\alpha}(x, t)$$

$$+ \varepsilon \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + e_{\alpha j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}}\right) f_{\alpha}(x + \beta e_{\alpha}\varepsilon, t + \beta\varepsilon),$$
(8.3)

where

$$0 < \beta < 1. \tag{8.4}$$

Substitution of equation (8.4) into (8.1) gives:

$$\varepsilon \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + e_{\alpha j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}}\right) f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x} + \beta \mathbf{e}_{\alpha} \varepsilon, t + \beta \varepsilon)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\tau} (f_{\alpha} - f_{\alpha}^{eq})$$

$$+ \frac{\varepsilon}{6e^{2}} e_{\alpha i} F_{i} \left(\mathbf{x} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{e}_{\alpha} \varepsilon, t + \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon\right).$$

$$(8.5)$$

By taking  $\sum e_{\alpha i}$ . (8.5) we obtain

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} f_{\alpha} (x + \beta e_{\alpha} \varepsilon, t + \beta \varepsilon)$$

$$+ \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}} \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} e_{\alpha j} f_{\alpha} (x + \beta e_{\alpha} \varepsilon, t + \beta \varepsilon)$$

$$= F_{i} \left( x + \frac{1}{2} e_{\alpha} \varepsilon, t + \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon \right).$$

$$(8.6)$$

From

$$\sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} f_{\alpha}(x,t) = \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} f_{\alpha}^{(eq)}(x,t), \qquad (8.7)$$

in the LBM, we have

$$\sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x} + \beta \mathbf{e}_{\alpha} \varepsilon, t + \beta \varepsilon) = \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} f_{\alpha}^{(eq)}(\mathbf{x} + \beta \mathbf{e}_{\alpha} \varepsilon, t + \beta \varepsilon), \quad (8.8)$$

and with reference to

$$f_{\alpha} = f_{\alpha}^{(0)} + \varepsilon f_{\alpha}^{(1)} + \varepsilon^2 f_{\alpha}^{(2)} + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^3), \qquad (8.9)$$

one can obtain

$$\sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} e_{\alpha j} f_{\alpha} (\mathbf{x} + \beta \mathbf{e}_{\alpha} \varepsilon, t + \beta \varepsilon)$$

$$= \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} e_{\alpha j} f_{\alpha}^{(eq)} (\mathbf{x} + \beta \mathbf{e}_{\alpha} \varepsilon, t + \beta \varepsilon)$$

$$+ \varepsilon \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} e_{\alpha j} f_{\alpha}^{(1)} (\mathbf{x} + \beta \mathbf{e}_{\alpha} \varepsilon, t + \beta \varepsilon) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^{2}).$$
(8.10)

Therefore, by use of local equilibrium function,

$$f_{\alpha}^{eq}$$

$$= \begin{cases} h - \frac{5gh^2}{6e^2} - \frac{2h}{3e^2} u_i u_i, & \alpha = 0, \\ \frac{gh^2}{6e^2} + \frac{h}{3e^2} e_{\alpha i} u_i + \frac{h}{2e^4} e_{\alpha i} e_{\alpha j} u_i u_j - \frac{h}{6e^2} u_i u_i, & \alpha = 1,3,5,7, \\ \frac{gh^2}{24e^2} + \frac{h}{12e^2} e_{\alpha i} u_i + \frac{h}{8e^4} e_{\alpha i} e_{\alpha j} u_i u_j - \frac{h}{24e^2} u_i u_i, & \alpha = 2,4,6,8. \end{cases}$$

$$(8.11)$$

to evaluate the terms in (8.8) and (8.9), equation (8.7) becomes

$$\begin{split} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(hu_{i}) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}}(hu_{i}u_{j} + \frac{1}{2}gh^{2}\delta_{ij})\right]_{(x+\beta e_{\alpha}\varepsilon,t+\beta\varepsilon)} & (8.12) \\ &= F_{i}\left(x + \frac{1}{2}e_{\alpha}\varepsilon,t + \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon\right) - \varepsilon\sum_{\alpha}e_{\alpha i}e_{\alpha j}f_{\alpha}^{(1)} \\ &+ \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^{2}). \end{split}$$

Combining

$$\Lambda_{ij} = \frac{\varepsilon}{2\tau} (2\tau - 1) \sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} e_{\alpha j} f_{\alpha}^{(1)}.$$
(8.13)

and

$$\Lambda_{ij} \approx -\frac{e^2\varepsilon}{6} (2\tau - 1) \left[ \frac{\partial hu_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial (hu_j)}{\partial x_i} \right].$$
(8.14)

gives

$$\sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} e_{\alpha j} f_{\alpha}^{(1)} = -\frac{e^2 \tau}{3} \left[ \frac{\partial (h u_i)}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial (h u_j)}{\partial x_i} \right].$$
(8.15)

By considering the initial condition,  $u_i = 0$ , equation (8.15) becomes

$$\sum_{\alpha} e_{\alpha i} e_{\alpha j} f_{\alpha}^{(1)} = 0, \qquad (8.16)$$

leading to equation (8.12) in the following second-order accurate form:

$$h(\mathbf{x} + \beta \mathbf{e}_{\alpha} \varepsilon, t + \beta \varepsilon) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i}} h(\mathbf{x} + \beta \mathbf{e}_{\alpha} \varepsilon, t + \beta \varepsilon)$$

$$= F_{i} \left( \mathbf{x} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{e}_{\alpha} \varepsilon, t + \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon \right).$$
(8.17)

Substitution of the force term related to be bed topography (8.2) into (8.16) results in

$$h(x + \beta e_{\alpha}\varepsilon, t + \beta\varepsilon) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i}} h(x + \beta e_{\alpha}\varepsilon, t + \beta\varepsilon)$$

$$= -h\left(x + \frac{1}{2}e_{\alpha}\varepsilon, t + \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon\right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i}} z_{b}\left(x + \frac{1}{2}e_{\alpha}\varepsilon, t + \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon\right)$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon \right).$$
(8.18)

After rearranging equation (8.18) and setting  $\beta = 1/2$ , we obtain:

$$\left[h\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(h+z_b)\right]_{x+\frac{1}{2}e_{\alpha}\varepsilon,t+\frac{1}{2}\varepsilon} = 0.$$
(8.19)

For the stationary case,

$$h + z_b = \text{constant},$$
 (8. 20)

equation (8.19) holds true throughout the domain, as illustrated in Figure 8.1.

For  $\beta \neq 1/2$ , a Taylor expansion is taken to the term on the left hand side of equation (8.18) in time and space about point  $x + \frac{1}{2}e_{\alpha}\varepsilon$ ,  $t + \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon$  giving,

$$h(x + \beta e_{\alpha}\varepsilon, t + \beta\varepsilon) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i}} h(x + \beta e_{\alpha}\varepsilon, t + \beta\varepsilon)$$

$$= h\left(x + \frac{1}{2}e_{\alpha}\varepsilon, t + \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon\right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i}} h\left(x + \frac{1}{2}e_{\alpha}\varepsilon, t + \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon\right) + O\left(\left[\beta - \frac{1}{2}\right]\varepsilon\right).$$

$$(8.21)$$

From equation (8.4),

$$\left|\beta - \frac{1}{2}\right| < \frac{1}{2}.$$
(8.22)

As  $\beta$  is obviously small, it can be assumed to be the same order as  $\varepsilon$ , because  $\varepsilon$  is the time step,

$$\mathcal{O}\left(\left[\beta - \frac{1}{2}\right]\varepsilon\right) \sim \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2) \tag{8.23}$$

Consequently, equation (8.21) can be replaced with the following secondorder accurate expression,

$$h(x + \beta e_{\alpha}\varepsilon, t + \beta\varepsilon) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i}} h(x + \beta e_{\alpha}\varepsilon, t + \beta\varepsilon)$$

$$= h\left(x + \frac{1}{2}e_{\alpha}\varepsilon, t + \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon\right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i}} h\left(x + \frac{1}{2}e_{\alpha}\varepsilon, t + \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon\right)$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon \right).$$
(8.24)

Substitution of equation (8.24) into (8.18) also leads to equation (8.19), indicating again that the centred scheme satisfies the  $\mathcal{N}$  – property at second order accuracy.

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