

Study of the 1D lattice Boltzmann shallow water equation and its coupling to build a canal network

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ABSTRACT

The D1Q3 lattice Boltzmann (LB) shallow water equation is analyzed in detail and compared with other numerical schemes. Analytical results are derived and used to discuss the accuracy and stability of the model. We show how such D1Q3 LB models for canal reaches may be easily coupled with various hydraulic interconnection structures to build models of complex irrigation networks.

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1. Introduction

Generally, an irrigation network consists of a primary open-air canal connected to secondary canals and/or pressurized network of water distribution. Canals consist of several long reaches (usually several kilometers long) separated by engineering works (like sliding gates for instance) [8,4]. The open channel hydraulic part is the most complex one. Its dynamical behavior is characterized by important time delays (due to water transport), wave superposition effects and strong non-linearities (mainly around the works). The overall network has to be carefully managed in order to supply the various water flow demands without violating strict water level constraints at several places along the reaches and near the hydraulic works. This complex control and optimization problem requires efficient and reliable numerical algorithms to describe the open-air hydrodynamics.

Within the long reaches with uniform sections, 1D shallow water model are usually used successfully, whereas 2D/3D models are often required to describe non-linear turbulent flows as well as important erosion/sedimentation effects near the gates. Recently we have proposed a bi-fluid lattice Boltzmann (LB) model that describes the flow near a gate, with or without sediment transport and erosion [14], fully resolving all the components of the velocity flow. However, this detailed model is computationally demanding and should only be used in the regions where the vertical component of the flow velocity plays an essential role.

In this paper, we use a lattice Boltzmann (LB) approach to solve the 1D shallow water (SW) equation and its coupling with other models. Whereas 2D LB-SW models have been considered in several papers [16,5,22], the 1D model is – to our knowledge – only investigated in one article by Frandsen [6].

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In what follows we present a detailed analytical discussion of the accuracy and stability of the 1D model, as well as a comparison with other time-dependent numerical solvers. We show that the LB-SW model is accurate, fast and rather stable. We also consider the coupling between several 1D models separated by gates whose behaviors are described by a phenomenological equation. More advanced coupling will be discussed briefly and described in a forthcoming publication.

2. The shallow water equation

2.1. Governing equations

We consider here the water flow in a rectangular open channel with slope, I , and width, B , as represented in (Fig. 1). The flow and level dynamics of water in such a channel is usually modelled by the shallow water equations which are derived from the conservation laws of mass and momentum, using some assumptions on the flow. These assumptions are that the slope is small, the length of the reach is assumed sufficiently large compared to the water level height, the pressure is assumed to be hydrostatic and the fluid is incompressible. Finally, internal viscosity effects are neglected. The Saint-Venant (or shallow water) equations are then

$$\partial_t h + \partial_x(hu) = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$\partial_t(hu) + \partial_x\left(\frac{1}{2}gh^2 + hu^2\right) = F \quad (2)$$

where h denotes the water depth, u the depth-averaged horizontal velocity of the flow, and g the gravitational acceleration. The force term, $F = gh(I - J)$, accounts for the bed slope, I , and the bed friction, J , where $I = \partial h_b/\partial x$ with h_b the bed height and J is modelled with the classical Manning formula [8]:

$$J = \frac{n^2 u^2}{\left(\frac{Bh}{B+2h}\right)^{4/3}} \quad (3)$$

with n the Manning coefficient and B the width of the canal.

2.2. Lattice Boltzmann model

The lattice Boltzmann (LB) method has proven to be a powerful numerical tool to simulate the fluid flows and other physical phenomena [15,1,2,20].

In this method, one considers the dynamics of idealized fluid particles on a lattice. The key quantities in the LB model are the density distributions, $f_i(x,t)$, denoting the density of particles entering site x at discrete time t with velocity v_i . The v_i are chosen to match the spatial lattice so that, in one time step, Δt , particle with velocity, v_i , arrives at the lattice point at $x + v_i\Delta t$. Usually a LB model uses only a small number of velocities, v_i .

One assumes that the particles entering the same site at the same time with density, $f_i^{in}(x,t)$, collide. As a consequence, a new distribution, $f_i^{out}(x,t)$, of particles results. Then, during the next time step, $t + \Delta t$, the particles emerging from this collision phase move to a new lattice site, determined by their new speeds. Therefore, the dynamics of a LBM consists of the alternation of collision and streaming phases

$$\text{Collision : } f_i^{out}(x,t) = f_i^{in}(x,t) + \Omega_i(f_i^{in}) \quad (4)$$

$$\text{Streaming : } f_i^{in}(x + v_i\Delta t, t + \Delta t) = f_i^{out}(x,t)$$

where f_i^{in} denotes the vector of all f_i^{in} , Δx is the lattice spacing and Δt is the time step. Ω_i is the collision operator, which is commonly defined by the Bhatnagar–Gross–Krook (BGK) model [15]

$$\Omega_i(f_i^{in}) = \frac{1}{\tau}(f_i^{eq} - f_i^{in}) \quad (5)$$

where τ is a relaxation time constant and the f_i^{eq} are the so-called equilibrium distribution functions. f_i^{eq} depend on the physical process to be described. We shall specify its form below, for the shallow water model.

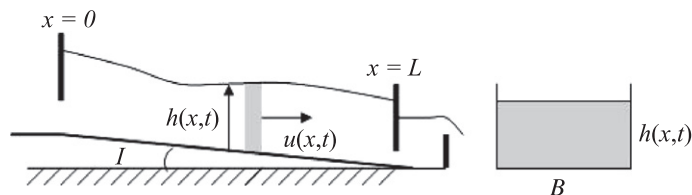


Fig. 1. Longitudinal (left) and lateral (right) views of an open rectangular hydraulic channel.

Eqs. (4) and (5) may be combined to obtain the evolution equation

$$f_i(x + v_i \Delta t, t + \Delta t) = f_i(x, t) + \frac{1}{\tau} (f_i^{eq} - f_i) \tag{6}$$

where f stands for f^n .

When an external force, F , exists, the lattice Boltzmann equations are modified. Several versions have been proposed in the literature [18,10,9,11]. For a constant force, F , the following expression can be used:

$$f_i(x + v_i \Delta t, t + \Delta t) = f_i(x, t) + \frac{1}{\tau} (f_i^{eq} - f_i) + w_i \frac{\Delta t}{c_s^2} v_i F \tag{7}$$

where w_i and c_s are parameters that are determined by the geometry of the lattice and chosen to obtain isotropy for the model.

In the present paper, we consider a 1D model for the water flow. A D1Q3 model geometry (one dimension and three velocities) has been chosen with the notation of Fig. 2 in which $v_0 = 0$, $v_1 = v$, $v_2 = -v$ and $v = \Delta x / \Delta t$. In this model, the following values are used for w_i and $c_s^2 = \sum_{i>0} w_i v^2$:

$$w_0 = \frac{2}{3}, \quad w_1 = w_2 = \frac{1}{6}, \quad c_s^2 = \frac{v^2}{3} \tag{8}$$

In order to recover the physics of the shallow water equations, the equilibrium distribution functions must satisfy the following three conditions, expressing mass and momentum conservation, as well as the desired form of the momentum tensor

$$\sum_i f_i^{eq} = h \tag{9}$$

$$\sum_i v_i f_i^{eq} = hu \tag{10}$$

$$\sum_i v_i^2 f_i^{eq} = \frac{1}{2} gh^2 + hu^2 \equiv \Pi^{eq} \tag{11}$$

where h , the water level, and u , the velocity, are defined as:

$$h = \sum_i f_i, \quad hu = \sum_i v_i f_i \tag{12}$$

When Eqs. (9)–(11) hold, the equilibrium distribution functions are uniquely determined by the macroscopic variables h and u . One gets

$$\begin{aligned} f_0^{eq} &= h - \frac{1}{2v^2} gh^2 - \frac{1}{v^2} hu^2 \\ f_1^{eq} &= \frac{1}{4v^2} gh^2 + \frac{1}{2v} hu + \frac{1}{2v^2} hu^2 \\ f_2^{eq} &= \frac{1}{4v^2} gh^2 - \frac{1}{2v} hu + \frac{1}{2v^2} hu^2 \end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

These equilibrium distribution functions will be used in the next section to show that the shallow water equations dynamics may be recovered from the LB model. A dissipative contribution will be obtained that differs from that proposed in [22] but agrees with the results of [5].

Finally, the force term will be evaluated using several methods. First we consider the centered-scheme proposed by Zhou [22]. This scheme was shown to be accurate up to the second-order in the space and time discretization steps [22] but our simulations show that this is not always the case. Zhou’s force model assumes an LB Eq. (7) with

$$F_i = g \bar{h}_i \left(I - \frac{n^2 \bar{u}_i}{\left(\frac{B \bar{h}_i}{B + 2 \bar{h}_i} \right)^{4/3}} \right) \tag{14}$$

where $\bar{h}_i = \frac{h(x,t) + h(x + v_i \Delta t)}{2}$ and $\bar{u}_i = \frac{u(x,t) + u(x + v_i \Delta t)}{2}$. Therefore a kind of mean force term is thus used, derived from the mean values of the water levels and velocities at the current lattice point and at the “next” lattice point in direction i .

Unfortunately, Zhou’s expression for the force does not conserve mass locally. As shown below, second-order corrections to the mass conservation laws are present, as well as a second-order correction to the momentum balance equation. There-

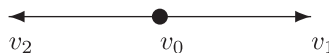


Fig. 2. Lattice Boltzmann D1Q3.

fore we will also implement Guo's force model [9], which is the standard way to add an external force in the LB method. It will however change the relation (12) between hu and the f_i 's. The accuracy of Guo's force will be shown to be first-order only in an exact calculation.

Finally, we shall also consider a simplified Guo's force model, which turns out to be easier to implement and more accurate than the other two in our benchmarks.

2.3. Chapman–Enskog expansion

The hydrodynamic equations associated with the above LB model can be derived from a multiscale Chapman–Enskog expansion. Such a procedure shows that the LB model recovers the continuity equation and the viscous Saint-Venant (shallow water) equations. Discrepancies are third order in Δt and Δx and in the dissipative term. In recent literature [22], the viscous term is unfortunately incorrectly calculated. The correct form has been briefly indicated in an appendix of [5], omitting the complete expression for LB case. For this reason, we give below a full derivation of the hydrodynamic equations. We also give the explicit expression of the non-equilibrium part of the density distribution which, to the best of our knowledge, has never been published for the shallow water LB model. Note however that in our derivation we do not consider the case with the force term.

The multiscale Chapman–Enskog expansion method is described in detail in [2]. It contains several steps that are summarized below:

- (1) A Taylor expansion, up to second-order of the LB dynamics (6)

$$\Delta t \partial_t f_i + v_i \Delta t \partial_x f_i + \frac{1}{2} \Delta t^2 \partial_t^2 f_i + \frac{1}{2} v_i^2 \Delta t^2 \partial_x^2 f_i + v_i \Delta t^2 \partial_x \partial_t f_i = \frac{1}{\tau} (f_i^{eq} - f_i) \quad (15)$$

- (2) An expansion in a formal parameter ϵ (usually interpreted as the Knudsen number) of the distribution functions

$$f_i = f_i^{eq} + \epsilon f_i^{(1)} + \epsilon^2 f_i^{(2)} + \dots \quad (16)$$

- (3) A multiscale analysis to separate the two time scales in the problem. Here we assume that the process is governed by a fast convective scale and a slow dissipative scale. Therefore we express the spatial and temporal variables t and x in terms of new variables t_1, t_2 and x_1 .

$$\partial_t = \epsilon \partial_{t_1} + \epsilon^2 \partial_{t_2} \quad (17)$$

$$\partial_x = \epsilon \partial_{x_1} \quad (18)$$

The multiscale approach gives a way to properly approximate the second order time derivative in (15).

- (4) The first two moments of Eq. (15) are taken (sum over i and multiplication by v_i and sum over i). The right-hand side exactly vanishes at all order in ϵ , due to the conservation laws. We obtain, for the convective scale

$$\partial_{t_1} h + \partial_{x_1} (hu) = 0 \quad (19)$$

$$\partial_{t_1} (hu) + \partial_{x_1} \Pi^{eq} = 0 \quad (20)$$

and, for the dissipative scale

$$\partial_{t_2} h + \frac{1}{2} \Delta t \partial_{t_1}^2 h + \frac{1}{2} \Delta t \partial_{x_1}^2 \Pi^{eq} + \Delta t \partial_{x_1} \partial_{t_1} (hu) = 0 \quad (21)$$

$$\partial_{t_2} (hu) + \partial_{x_1} \Pi^{(1)} + \frac{1}{2} \Delta t \partial_{t_1}^2 (hu) + \frac{1}{2} \Delta t \partial_{x_1}^2 S^{eq} + \Delta t \partial_{x_1} \partial_{t_1} \Pi^{eq} = 0 \quad (22)$$

Then, after some algebra (see [2]) the two scales can be recombined to give the hydrodynamic equations, at the scale x and t

$$\partial_t h + \partial_x (hu) = 0 \quad (23)$$

$$\partial_t (hu) + \partial_x \left[\Pi^{eq} + \epsilon \Pi^{(1)} + \frac{1}{2} \Delta t (\epsilon \partial_{t_1} \Pi^{eq} + \partial_x S^{eq}) \right] = 0 \quad (24)$$

where the quantities Π and S are tensors defined as

$$\Pi = \sum_i v_i^2 f_i \quad \Pi^{eq} = \sum_i v_i^2 f_i^{eq} \quad \Pi^{(1)} = \sum_i v_i^2 f_i^{(1)} \quad (25)$$

and

$$S = \sum_i v_i^3 f_i \quad S^{eq} = \sum_i v_i^3 f_i^{eq} \quad (26)$$

We can recognize the continuity equation. But we see that Eq. (24) is not yet in the final form of a shallow water equation because $\Pi^{(1)}$ is unknown. To compute it we need to compute $f^{(1)}$.

- (5) The non-equilibrium distribution $f^{(1)}$ can be obtained from the order $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$ of Eq. (15)

$$f_i^{(1)} = -\tau \Delta t [\partial_{t_i} f_i^{eq} + v_i \partial_{x_i} f_i^{eq}] \tag{27}$$

The time derivative can be expressed as

$$\partial_{t_i} f_i^{(0)} = \frac{\partial f_i^{(0)}}{\partial h} \partial_{t_i} h + \frac{\partial f_i^{(0)}}{\partial (hu)} \partial_{t_i} (hu) \tag{28}$$

because, in the Chapman–Enskog expansion, we assume that f depends on x and t only through the conserved quantities h and hu . Then using Eqs. (19) and (20), we obtain

$$\epsilon f_i^{(1)} = -\tau \Delta t \left[-\frac{\partial f_i^{eq}}{\partial h} \partial_x (hu) - \frac{\partial f_i^{eq}}{\partial (hu)} \partial_x \Pi^{eq} + v_i \partial_x f_i^{eq} \right] \tag{29}$$

Using that

$$\partial_x \Pi^{eq} = 2u \partial_x (hu) + (gh - u^2) \partial_x h$$

we obtain the explicit expressions:

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon f_0^{(1)} &= \tau \Delta t \left[\left(1 - \frac{gh}{v^2} - 3 \frac{u^2}{v^2} \right) \partial_x (hu) + 2 \left(\frac{u^2}{v^2} - \frac{gh}{v^2} \right) u \partial_x h \right] \\ \epsilon f_1^{(1)} &= -\frac{1}{2} \epsilon f_0^{(1)} \\ \epsilon f_2^{(1)} &= -\frac{1}{2} \epsilon f_0^{(1)} \end{aligned} \tag{30}$$

Eq. (30) are important because they give the relations between the standard hydrodynamic quantities and the non-equilibrium density distributions $\epsilon f_i^{(1)} \approx f_i - f_i^{eq}$. We see that the $f_i^{(1)}$'s depend on the spatial derivatives of h and u . From these equations, an initial condition $f_i(x) = f_i^{eq} + \epsilon f_i^{(1)}$ can be built properly out of given values for $h(x), u(x), \partial_x h$ and $\partial_x (hu)$.

(6) Finally the dissipative contribution of (24)

$$\Gamma = -\partial_x \left[\epsilon \Pi^{(1)} + \frac{1}{2} \Delta t \epsilon \partial_{t_i} \Pi^{eq} + \frac{1}{2} \Delta t \partial_x S^{eq} \right] \tag{31}$$

can be computed from $f^{(1)}$. As above, we also replace $\epsilon \partial_{t_i} \Pi^{eq}$ by $(\partial \Pi^{eq} / \partial h) \partial_{t_i} h + (\partial \Pi^{eq} / \partial hu) \partial_{t_i} hu$. After some algebra we obtain that

$$\Gamma = \Delta t \left(\tau - \frac{1}{2} \right) \partial_x \left[\frac{-\partial \Pi^{eq}}{\partial h} \partial_x hu - \frac{\partial \Pi^{eq}}{\partial hu} \partial_x \Pi^{(0)} + \partial_x S^{eq} \right] \tag{32}$$

Using the expressions

$$\Pi^{eq} = \frac{1}{2} gh^2 + hu^2 = \frac{1}{2} gh^2 + \frac{1}{h} (hu)^2$$

and

$$\partial_x S^{eq} = v^2 \partial_x hu \quad h \partial_x u = \partial_x hu - u \partial_x h$$

we obtain that

$$\Gamma = \Delta t \left(\tau - \frac{1}{2} \right) \partial_x \left[(v^2 - gh - 3u^2) \partial_x hu + 2(u^2 - gh) u \partial_x h \right] \tag{33}$$

From the above expression for Γ , it follows that the shallow water equations with dissipation, resulting from the LB dynamics, are

$$\partial_t h + \partial_x hu = 0 \tag{34}$$

and

$$\partial_t hu + \partial_x hu^2 + g \partial_x \frac{1}{2} h^2 = v^2 \Delta t \left(\tau - \frac{1}{2} \right) \partial_x \left[\left(1 - \frac{gh}{v^2} - 3 \frac{u^2}{v^2} \right) \partial_x hu + 2 \left(\frac{u^2}{v^2} - \frac{gh}{v^2} \right) u \partial_x h \right] \tag{35}$$

We observe that the shallow water equation associated with the LB model contains many contributions to the viscous terms, whose physical relevance remains to be discussed. However, we will see below that the 1D LB model remains numerically stable even when τ is close to 1/2, provided the Froude number is not approaching 1. Therefore, the viscous contributions can be made small and the LB model approximates the non-viscous shallow water equation.

Note also that in the limit of $h \rightarrow 0$ and $u \rightarrow 0$, we obtain the more standard viscous term

$$\Gamma = v^2 \Delta t \left(\tau - \frac{1}{2} \right) \partial_x^2 hu$$

However, it has to be noticed that even in this limit, the viscosity

$$\nu_0 = v^2 \Delta t \left(\tau - \frac{1}{2} \right) \quad (36)$$

is not at all the one pointed out in [22] which depends only on the lattice properties as $\Delta t c_s^2 (\tau - 1/2)$. Here, from (8) we have $c_s^2 = v^2/3$.

Our result (35) will be confirmed in Section 4 in which the real part of the eigenvalues of the linearized model will be examined.

3. Analysis of the steady state with zero flow

In this section we derive an analytical solution of our discrete LB model when the external force term is present. To the best of our knowledge, exact solutions of an LB model with a non-constant force term have not been published before.

In order to solve the LB dynamics exactly we have to consider the simple situation sketched in Fig. 3. A fluid is at rest in a canal reach, with a free surface level which is horizontal. Therefore the solution to the problem is a water depth $h(x)$ such that $h(x) + h_b(x) = \text{const}$ for all x , where $h_b(x)$ is the bed height at location x . This simple benchmark gives a test of the accuracy of the way to add the external force to a LB model. We shall consider both Zhou's and Guo's methods. The result of this analysis is that Zhou's method solves the water profile to machine accuracy but no longer satisfies exactly the correct mass and momentum balances.

3.1. Zhou's expression for the force term

Zhou [22] proposed the following way to include the force term:

$$\begin{aligned} f_0(x, t + \Delta t) &= f_0(x, t) + \frac{1}{\tau} (f_0^{eq} - f_0) \\ f_i(x + v_i \Delta t, t + \Delta t) &= f_i(x, t) + \frac{1}{\tau} (f_i^{eq} - f_i) + w_i \frac{\Delta t}{c_s^2} v_i F_i \quad i \neq 0 \end{aligned} \quad (37)$$

with

$$F_1 = F \left(x + \frac{\Delta x}{2} \right), \quad F_2 = F \left(x - \frac{\Delta x}{2} \right), \quad w_i \frac{\Delta t}{c_s^2} = \frac{\Delta t}{2v^2}.$$

The water height, h , and water current, hu , are still given by

$$h = \sum_i f_i = \sum_i f_i^{eq} \quad hu = \sum_i v_i f_i = \sum_i v_i f_i^{eq}$$

despite the additional force term. As a consequence, we have

$$\sum_i f_i^{neq} = \sum_i v_i f_i^{neq} = 0. \quad (38)$$

For a fluid at rest, $u = 0$, and we have the additional relations:

$$f_1^{eq} = f_2^{eq} \equiv f^{eq} = \frac{1}{4v^2} gh^2$$

and

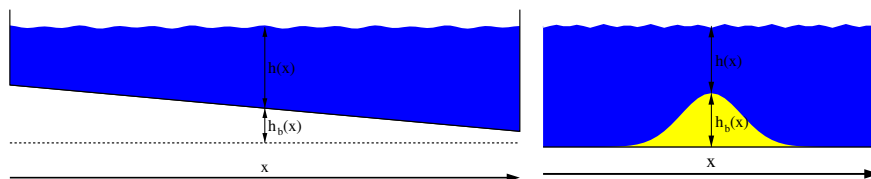


Fig. 3. Two situations of a canal reach where $u = 0$ and $h + h_b = \text{const}$ is an exact solution. (Left) There is a net slope but two walls prevent flow motion. A computational domain with the so-called half-way bounce back left and right boundary conditions is used. (Right) There is a local deformation of the bed but no global slope. A periodic computational domain can be used.

$$f_0^{eq} = h - \frac{1}{2\nu^2}gh^2$$

Also, from the definition of hu , we have $0 = \sum_i v_i f_i$ and thus $f_1 = f_2$. In the steady state, the LB equations give

$$f_0(x) = f_0(x) + \frac{1}{\tau}(f_0^{eq} - f_0).$$

Therefore

$$f_0 = f_0^{eq} = h - \frac{1}{2\nu^2}gh^2.$$

This implies that

$$f_0^{neq} = f_0 - f_0^{eq} = 0$$

and thus, from (38) $f_1^{neq} + f_2^{neq} = 0$. Since for $u = 0$ we also have $f_1^{neq} = f_2^{neq}$, we conclude that

$$f_1^{neq} = f_2^{neq} = 0 \tag{39}$$

Therefore, for the situation at rest, with Zhou’s external force, the density distribution functions are simply

$$f_0 = f_0^{eq} = h - \frac{1}{2\nu^2}gh^2 \quad f_1 = f_2 = \frac{1}{4\nu^2}gh^2 \tag{40}$$

With $f = f^{eq}$, the LB equation for $i = 1$ reads

$$f_1(x + \Delta x) = f_1(x) + \frac{\Delta t}{2\nu}F\left(x + \frac{\Delta x}{2}\right) \tag{41}$$

or, equivalently

$$f_1(x + \Delta x/2) = f_1(x - \Delta x/2) + \frac{\Delta t}{2\nu}F(x). \tag{42}$$

Using

$$f_1 = f_2 = f^{eq} = \frac{1}{4\nu^2}gh^2,$$

we obtain

$$\frac{1}{4\nu^2}gh^2\left(x + \frac{\Delta x}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{4\nu^2}gh^2\left(x - \frac{\Delta x}{2}\right) + \frac{\Delta t}{2\nu}F(x). \tag{43}$$

Therefore, Zhou’s model imposes

$$\frac{g}{2} \frac{h^2(x + \frac{\Delta x}{2}) - h^2(x - \frac{\Delta x}{2})}{\Delta x} = F(x), \tag{44}$$

which is a second-order accurate discrete form of the steady shallow water Eq. (2) with $u = 0$

$$\partial_x \frac{g}{2} h^2 = F(x)$$

The above two equations describe the situation of a fluid at rest in a container whose bottom is not flat. For the case we consider here, the force, F , depends on the derivative $\partial_x h_b(x)$ of the bed profile.

With $F = -gh\partial_x h_b(x)$ and $\partial_x \frac{g}{2} h^2 = F(x)$ we clearly obtain $\partial_x(h + h_b) = 0$, i.e. $h + h_b = \text{const}$. In the discrete case, Zhou defines

$$F\left(x + \frac{\Delta x}{2}\right) = -g \frac{h(x + \Delta x) + h(x)}{2} \left(\frac{h_b(x + \Delta x) - h_b(x)}{\Delta x}\right) \tag{45}$$

Then, with $x_- = x - \Delta x/2$ and $x_+ = x + \Delta x/2$ Eq. (44) becomes:

$$\frac{g}{2} \frac{h^2(x_+) - h^2(x_-)}{\Delta x} = -g \frac{h(x_+) + h(x_-)}{2} \left(\frac{h_b(x_+) - h_b(x_-)}{\Delta x}\right) \tag{46}$$

Since

$$h^2(x_+) - h^2(x_-) = [h(x_+) + h(x_-)][h(x_+) - h(x_-)],$$

the solution of this discrete equation is simply

$$h(x_+) + h_b(x_+) = h(x_-) + h_b(x_-) = \text{const}$$

Therefore, with Zhou’s force, the water profile, in the steady state with $u = 0$ is resolved correctly to machine accuracy.

3.1.1. Mass and momentum balance equation

However, in Zhou's model, the fact that F is not calculated at the same point x for $i = 1$ and $i = 2$, has the consequence that (by taking the first moment of Eq. (37))

$$h^{out}(x) = \sum_i f_i^{out} = \sum_i f_i^{in} + \frac{\Delta t}{2\nu} \left(F\left(x + \frac{\Delta x}{2}\right) - F\left(x - \frac{\Delta x}{2}\right) \right) \neq h^{in}(x)$$

and thus the mass is not exactly constant during the collision process. A Taylor expansion shows that this correction is second-order in the lattice spacing, Δx ,

$$\frac{\Delta t}{2\nu} \left(F\left(x + \frac{\Delta x}{2}\right) - F\left(x - \frac{\Delta x}{2}\right) \right) = F'(x) \frac{(\Delta x)^2}{2\nu^2}$$

However, if we sum up $h^{out}(x)$ over all x , we recover exact mass conservation provided that $F(L + \frac{\Delta x}{2}) = F(-\frac{\Delta x}{2})$. On the other hand, if for instance h_b has a constant slope, there will be a net increase (or decrease) of mass during evolution. This effect is easily observed in numerical simulations in which $F(L + \frac{\Delta x}{2}) \neq F(-\frac{\Delta x}{2})$.

A similar analysis can be made for the momentum balance. By definition a force F acting during a time Δt will increase the momentum by an amount $\Delta j = F\Delta t$. Since the momentum is defined as $j = \sum_i f_i v_i$, we have

$$F\Delta t = \sum_i f_i^{out} v_i - \sum_i f_i^{in} v_i$$

By multiplying (37) by v_i and summing over i , we get (remember that, by construction of f^{eq} , $\sum_i f_i^{eq} v_i = hu$):

$$\Delta j = \nu(f_1^{out} - f_2^{out}) - \nu(f_1^{in} - f_2^{in}) = \frac{1}{\tau} \left(hu - \sum_i f_i^{in} v_i \right) + \frac{\Delta t}{2} (F(x + \Delta x/2) + F(x - \Delta x/2)). \quad (47)$$

With the definition, $hu = j = \sum_i f_i^{in} v_i$, we get the relation:

$$\Delta j = \frac{\Delta t}{2} (F(x + \Delta x/2) + F(x - \Delta x/2)) = \Delta t F + \Delta t \frac{(\Delta x)^2}{4} F''.$$

Therefore, unless the second spatial derivative, $F''(x)$, vanishes, the momentum balance is only correct to first-order in Δx .

3.2. Guo's force model

Guo's method [9] to add a body force is local and ensures exact mass conservation. Furthermore, the relation between the momentum, $\sum_i f_i v_i$, and the flow speed, u , is modified to impose an exact momentum balance.

In the case of a D1Q3 model, Guo's force model reads:

$$\begin{aligned} f_i^{out}(x, t) &= f_i(x, t) + \frac{1}{\tau} (f_i^{eq} - f_i) + (1 - w_i)A + \frac{\Delta t}{c_s^2} v_i B \\ f_i(x + v_i \Delta t, t + \Delta t) &= f_i^{out}(x, t), \end{aligned} \quad (48)$$

where A and B have to be determined in terms of the actual body force applied to the system. Guo has shown that A and B also depend of the fluid speed, u .

The above formulation guarantees a local mass conservation since $\sum_i w_i = 1$ and $\sum_i v_i = 0$

$$h^{out} = \sum_i f_i^{out} = \sum_i f_i + \frac{1}{\tau} \sum_i (f_i^{eq} - f_i) + A \sum_i (1 - w_i) + \frac{\Delta t}{c_s^2} B \sum_i v_i = h^{in}$$

In order to obtain an exact solution to the LB equation, let us ignore for a while Guo's results and let us assume that the A and B are still unknown. This will allow us to also discuss the case of an added force term as in (7).

We still define $j = \sum_i v_i f_i$ as the momentum. In case of a body force F , the change of momentum during a time Δt is $F\Delta t$ and from the first moment of the LB Eq. (48) we have:

$$F\Delta t = \sum_i v_i f_i^{out} - \sum_i v_i f_i = \frac{1}{\tau} \left(\sum_i v_i f_i^{eq} - \sum_i v_i f_i \right) + \Delta t B.$$

Therefore the momentum balance requires $\tau \Delta t F = hu - \sum_i v_i f_i + \tau \Delta t B$, because, by definition of f^{eq} , $\sum_i f_i^{eq} v_i = hu$. This leads to the following redefinition of the relation between the speed, u , and the momentum, $\sum_i v_i f_i$:

$$hu = \sum_i v_i f_i + \tau \Delta t (F - B). \quad (49)$$

Note at this stage that choosing $B = F$ would preserve the usual definition of hu in terms of the first moment of the f_i . But, otherwise, this new relation may cause a new difficulty: from (3) we see that, in the shallow water model, F may be a non-linear function of u . Therefore Eq. (49) is an implicit definition of u .

Here we consider the case of a fluid at rest. When $u = 0$ we have already observed that $f_1^{eq} = f_2^{eq} = f^{eq} = \frac{1}{4\nu^2}gh^2$ and $f_0^{eq} = h - \frac{1}{2\nu^2}gh^2$. In addition, from the new definition of hu , we have $0 = \sum_i \nu_i f_i + \tau \Delta t (F - B)$ and thus

$$f_1 - f_2 = -\tau \frac{\Delta t}{\nu} (F - B) \tag{50}$$

Since $f_1^{eq} = f_2^{eq}$ the above relation also requires:

$$f_1^{neq} - f_2^{neq} = -\tau \frac{\Delta t}{\nu} (F - B) \tag{51}$$

In a time-independent-state, the LB equation for $i = 0$ is:

$$f_0(x) = f_0(x) + \frac{1}{\tau} (f_0^{eq} - f_0) - \frac{1}{3}A.$$

Therefore

$$f_0 = f_0^{eq} + \frac{\tau}{3}A \quad \text{i.e.} \quad f_0^{neq} = \frac{\tau}{3}A \tag{52}$$

For the other directions, $i = 1$ or 2 , the LB equations yield

$$f_1(x + \Delta x) = f_1(x) + \frac{1}{\tau} (f_1^{eq} - f_1) + \frac{5}{6}A + \frac{\Delta t}{2\nu}B \tag{53}$$

and

$$f_2(x - \Delta x) = f_2(x) + \frac{1}{\tau} (f_2^{eq} - f_2) + \frac{5}{6}A - \frac{\Delta t}{2\nu}B. \tag{54}$$

By taking this last equation for $x + \Delta x$, we get

$$f_2(x) = f_2(x + \Delta x) + \frac{1}{\tau} (f_2^{eq}(x + \Delta x) - f_2(x + \Delta x)) + \frac{5}{6}A(x + \Delta x) - \frac{\Delta t}{2\nu}B(x + \Delta x) \tag{55}$$

Adding Eqs. (53) and (55), we get

$$\left[f_1 - f_2 + \frac{1}{\tau} f_2^{neq} - \frac{5}{6}A + \frac{\Delta t}{2\nu}B \right]_{x+\Delta x} = \left[f_1 - f_2 - \frac{1}{\tau} f_1^{neq} + \frac{5}{6}A + \frac{\Delta t}{2\nu}B \right]_x$$

From (50) and (51) we have $f_1 - f_2 = -\tau \frac{\Delta t}{\nu} (F - B)$ and $f_1^{neq} = f_2^{neq} - \tau \frac{\Delta t}{\nu} (F - B)$. Therefore the above equation becomes

$$\left[-\tau \frac{\Delta t}{\nu} (F - B) + \frac{1}{\tau} f_2^{neq} - \frac{5}{6}A + \frac{\Delta t}{2\nu}B \right]_{x+\Delta x} = \left[-\tau \frac{\Delta t}{\nu} (F - B) - \frac{1}{\tau} f_2^{neq} + \frac{\Delta t}{\nu} (F - B) + \frac{5}{6}A + \frac{\Delta t}{2\nu}B \right]_x \tag{56}$$

which we can finally write as

$$\left[-\tau \frac{\Delta t}{\nu} F + \frac{\Delta t}{\nu} \left(\tau + \frac{1}{2} \right) B + \frac{1}{\tau} f_2^{neq} - \frac{5}{6}A \right]_{x+\Delta x} = \left[(1 - \tau) \frac{\Delta t}{\nu} F - \left(\frac{1}{2} - \tau \right) \frac{\Delta t}{\nu} B - \frac{1}{\tau} f_2^{neq} + \frac{5}{6}A \right]_x \tag{57}$$

The structure of this equation is

$$\left[G + \frac{1}{\tau} f_2^{neq} \right]_{x+\Delta x} = \left[H - \frac{1}{\tau} f_2^{neq} \right]_x$$

with

$$G = -\tau \frac{\Delta t}{\nu} F + \frac{\Delta t}{\nu} \left(\tau + \frac{1}{2} \right) B - \frac{5}{6}A \quad H = (1 - \tau) \frac{\Delta t}{\nu} F - \left(\frac{1}{2} - \tau \right) \frac{\Delta t}{\nu} B + \frac{5}{6}A$$

If we choose A and B such that $H(x) = -G(x)$, we obtain

$$\left[G + \frac{1}{\tau} f_2^{neq} \right]_{x+\Delta x} = - \left[G + \frac{1}{\tau} f_2^{neq} \right]_x$$

which implies that

$$G + \frac{1}{\tau} f_2^{neq} = 0 \tag{58}$$

The condition that $H(x) = -G(x)$ requires:

$$-\tau \frac{\Delta t}{\nu} F + \frac{\Delta t}{\nu} \left(\tau + \frac{1}{2} \right) B - \frac{5}{6}A = -(1 - \tau) \frac{\Delta t}{\nu} F + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \tau \right) \frac{\Delta t}{\nu} B - \frac{5}{6}A$$

and thus

$$B = \left(1 - \frac{1}{2\tau}\right)F \text{ or } F - B = \frac{1}{2\tau}F \quad (59)$$

This means that the definition (49) of u in terms of the f_i 's becomes

$$hu = \sum_i v f_i + \frac{\Delta t}{2} F \quad (60)$$

as previously obtained by Guo. Now, from (58) and $B = (1 - 1/(2\tau))F$ we have

$$f_2^{neq} = -\tau G = \frac{\Delta t}{4\nu} F + \frac{5\tau}{6} A \quad (61)$$

and, from (51)

$$f_1^{neq} = -\frac{\Delta t}{4\nu} F + \frac{5\tau}{6} A. \quad (62)$$

In order to determine A we use the condition $\sum_i f_i^{neq} = 0$, resulting from the fact that $\sum_i f_i = h = \sum_i f_i^{eq}$. From (52), $f_0^{neq} = (\tau/3)A$,

$$\frac{\tau}{3} A - \frac{\Delta t}{4\nu} F + \frac{5\tau}{3} A + \frac{\Delta t}{4\nu} F = 0$$

and thus

$$A = 0 \quad (63)$$

Let us now compute the water profile $h(x)$. Eq. (53), with $A = 0$ and $B = (1 - 1/(2\tau))F$ is:

$$f_1(x + \Delta x) = f_1(x) + \frac{\Delta t}{2\nu} F. \quad (64)$$

With $f_1 = f_1^{eq} + f_1^{neq} = \frac{1}{4\nu^2} gh^2 - \frac{\Delta t}{4\nu} F$, this equation becomes

$$\frac{1}{4\nu^2} gh^2(x + \Delta x) = \frac{1}{4\nu^2} gh^2(x) + \frac{\Delta t}{4\nu} [F(x) + F(x + \Delta x)] \quad (65)$$

that is

$$g \frac{h(x + \Delta x) - h(x)}{\Delta x} \frac{h(x + \Delta x) + h(x)}{2} = \frac{1}{2} [F(x) + F(x + \Delta x)]. \quad (66)$$

This relation has to be compared with the corresponding continuous equation $gh\partial_x h_b = F$.

For a non-flat profile $h_b(x)$ of the canal bed, we have $F = -gh\partial_x h_b$. In the discrete case, let us define

$$F(x) = -gh(x)h'_b(x)$$

where h'_b is a discrete approximation of the x -derivative of h_b . Eq. (66) then becomes:

$$\frac{h(x + \Delta x) - h(x)}{\Delta x} = -h'_b(x) - h(x + \Delta x) \frac{h'_b(x + \Delta x) - h'_b(x)}{h(x + \Delta x) + h(x)}. \quad (67)$$

If we take $h'_b(x) = [h_b(x + \Delta x) - h_b(x)]/\Delta x$, we get

$$h(x + \Delta x) + h_b(x + \Delta x) = h(x) + h_b(x) - \frac{h(x + \Delta x)}{h(x + \Delta x) + h(x)} h''_b(x) (\Delta x)^2 \quad (68)$$

where $h''_b(x)$ is defined as $h''_b(x) = [h'_b(x + \Delta x) - h'_b(x)]/\Delta x$. Therefore, unless h''_b vanishes (which happens if the canal slope h'_b is constant), the exact solution $h + h_b = \text{const}$ with an error in $\mathcal{O}((\Delta x)^2)$.

Therefore, Guo's force solves the problem with only first-order accuracy. This contradicts the general idea that, in the LB model, the addition of a body force does not alter the second-order accuracy of the scheme.

Note that here, we have no boundary conditions that reduce the accuracy but we have used a first-order accurate approximation of $\partial_x h_b$. Therefore let us now consider a second-order accurate version of h'_b

$$h'_b(x) = \frac{h_b(x + \Delta x/2) - h_b(x - \Delta x/2)}{\Delta x}$$

Note that we still have $h'_b(x + \Delta x) - h'_b(x) \propto \partial_x^2 h_b(x + \Delta x/2) \Delta x = \mathcal{O}(\Delta x)$

If we now define $\tilde{h}(x) = h(x + \Delta x/2)$, Eq. (67) becomes

$$\tilde{h}(x + \Delta x/2) + h_b(x + \Delta x/2) = \tilde{h}(x - \Delta x/2) + h_b(x - \Delta x/2) + \mathcal{O}((\Delta x)^2) \quad (69)$$

We again observe a departure from the constant profile of order $(\Delta x)^2$.

3.3. The constant force model

It is now interesting to investigate the constant force model as expressed in (7). In the formalism of this section, it corresponds to choosing

$$B = F \quad A = 0$$

As a consequence, we obtain that, for $u = 0$, $f_1^{neq} = f_2^{neq}$. With $f_0^{eq} = 0$ (because $A = 0$), we further have $f_1^{neq} + f_2^{neq} = 0$. Thus $f_1^{neq} = f_2^{neq} = 0$. Then Eq. (57) becomes

$$\left[\frac{1}{\tau} f_2^{neq} + \frac{\Delta t}{2\nu} F \right]_{x+\Delta x} = \left[-\frac{1}{\tau} f_2^{neq} + \frac{\Delta t}{2\nu} F \right]_x \tag{70}$$

This no longer implies that both terms are zeros. Instead, the solution is

$$f_2^{neq}(x + \Delta x) = -f_2^{neq}(x) - \tau \frac{\Delta t}{2\nu} (F(x + \Delta x) - F(x))$$

Unless $F = \text{const}$, this contradicts the fact that $f_2^{neq} = 0$. Therefore, for $F = F(x)$, there is no steady state solution of the LB equation with $u = 0$. This shows that the constant force model makes no sense when the force is not constant.

4. The linearized model

In this section we give an exact time-dependent solution of the linearized D1Q3 LB shallow water model. We consider the case of a periodic system, without external force, for which a discrete Fourier analysis can be done.

The spectrum of the evolution operator is investigated numerically for the full range of wave numbers k . In the hydrodynamic limit $k \rightarrow 0$ an exact expression for the eigenvalues can be found, accurate to $\mathcal{O}(k^2)$. The results of this section will confirm the validity of our Chapman–Enskog solution (35), demonstrate the second-order accuracy of the LB scheme and give the stability region of the linearized model.

4.1. Linearization of the shallow water equation

We first derive the dispersion relation associated with Eqs. (34), (35) linearized around a constant height, $h = h_0$, and constant speed, $u = u_0$. With $h_0 + \Delta h$ and $u_0 + \Delta u$, the linearized dissipative term (33) is

$$\Gamma = \nu^2 \Delta t \left(\tau - \frac{1}{2} \right) h_0 \left[(1 - \phi^2 - 3\phi^2 \text{Fr}^2) \partial_x^2 \Delta u + (1 - 3\phi^2 - \phi^2 \text{Fr}^2) \frac{u_0}{h_0} \partial_x^2 \Delta h \right] \tag{71}$$

where

$$\phi = \frac{\sqrt{gh_0}}{\nu} \quad \text{Fr} = \frac{u_0}{\sqrt{gh_0}} \tag{72}$$

The quantity ϕ is the ratio of the wave speed to the lattice speed and Fr is the Froude number. With these definitions we have that the water speed in lattice units is

$$\frac{u_0}{\nu} = \text{Fr} \phi$$

We can now express the continuity and shallow water equation in a matrix form:

$$\partial_t \begin{pmatrix} \Delta h \\ \Delta u \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -u_0 & -h_0 \\ -g & -u_0 \end{pmatrix} \partial_x \begin{pmatrix} \Delta h \\ \Delta u \end{pmatrix} + \nu_0 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ r \frac{u_0}{h_0} & s \end{pmatrix} \partial_x^2 \begin{pmatrix} \Delta h \\ \Delta u \end{pmatrix} \tag{73}$$

where

$$\nu_0 = \Delta t \nu^2 \left(\tau - \frac{1}{2} \right) \tag{74}$$

and

$$r = 1 - 3\phi^2 - \phi^2 \text{Fr}^2 \quad \text{and} \quad s = 1 - \phi^2 - 3\phi^2 \text{Fr}^2. \tag{75}$$

We now consider a solution of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} \Delta h \\ \Delta u \end{pmatrix} = \exp(i\omega t + ikx) \begin{pmatrix} \Delta h_0 \\ \Delta u_0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and the matrix equation now reads

$$\left[i\omega - ik \begin{pmatrix} -u_0 & -h_0 \\ -g & -u_0 \end{pmatrix} + v_0 k^2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ r \frac{u_0}{h_0} & s \end{pmatrix} \right] \begin{pmatrix} \Delta h_0 \\ \Delta u_0 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

A solution exists only if

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} i\omega + iku_0 & ikh_0 \\ ikg + v_0 k^2 r \frac{u_0}{h_0} & i\omega + iku_0 + v_0 s k^2 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

This yields an equation for ω whose solution is

$$\omega_{\pm} = \frac{1}{2} \left[-(2u_0 k - iv_0 s k^2) \pm 2k \sqrt{gh_0} \sqrt{1 - ir \frac{v_0 u_0}{gh_0} k - \frac{v_0^2 s^2}{4gh_0} k^2} \right] \quad (76)$$

We are interested in a solution accurate to order $\mathcal{O}(k^2)$, which describes the hydrodynamical regime. Therefore we use the first-order Taylor expansion of $\sqrt{1+x} = 1 + x/2$ and we obtain, using expressions (72) and (75) for ϕ , Fr, r and s

$$\omega_{\pm} = \left(-u_0 \pm \sqrt{gh_0} \right) k + i \frac{v_0}{2} \left[1 - \phi^2 - 3\phi^2 \text{Fr}^2 \mp \text{Fr} (1 - 3\phi^2 - \phi^2 \text{Fr}^2) \right] k^2 \quad (77)$$

which is the dispersion relation for the shallow water equation derived from the Chapman–Enskog expansion of the LB model. With $\Delta x = v \Delta t$, and v_0 given by (36) we can get a dimensionless form of this dispersion relation

$$\omega_{\pm} \Delta t = \left(-\frac{u_0}{v} \pm \sqrt{\frac{gh_0}{v^2}} \right) (k \Delta x) + \frac{i}{2} \left(\tau - \frac{1}{2} \right) \left[1 - \phi^2 - 3\phi^2 \text{Fr}^2 \mp \text{Fr} (1 - 3\phi^2 - \phi^2 \text{Fr}^2) \right] (k \Delta x)^2 \quad (78)$$

In the next section, we shall compare this dispersion relation with the eigenvalues of the LB dynamics. For this purpose we shall need to know $e^{i\omega_{\pm} \Delta t}$. Up to order $\mathcal{O}(k^2)$, we can write

$$e^{i\omega_{\pm} \Delta t} = 1 + i\beta_{\pm} k \Delta x - \alpha_{\pm} (k \Delta x)^2 \quad (79)$$

From (78) we get

$$\beta_{\pm} = -\frac{u_0}{v} \pm \sqrt{\frac{gh_0}{v^2}} = -\phi (\text{Fr} \mp 1) \quad (80)$$

and α_{\pm}

$$\alpha_{\pm} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\tau - \frac{1}{2} \right) \left[1 - \phi^2 (1 + 3\text{Fr}^2) \pm (\phi^2 (3 + \text{Fr}^2) - 1) \text{Fr} \right] + \frac{1}{2} \beta_{\pm}^2 \quad (81)$$

Relation (79) will be re-obtained in the next section by an exact solution of the eigenvalue problem accurate to order $\mathcal{O}(k^2)$. See Eq. (95).

4.2. Linearization of the LB equations

Let us now consider the linearization of the LB dynamics around $h = h_0$ and $u = u_0$. If h_0 and u_0 are constant $f_i = f_i^{eq}(h_0, u_0)$ is a solution of the LB Eq. (6) with f_i^{eq} given by (13). We now consider a small perturbation ϵ_i around $f_i^{eq}(h_0, u_0)$

$$f_i = f_i^{eq}(h_0, u_0) + \epsilon_i$$

Then we immediately obtain

$$\begin{aligned} h &= \sum_i f_i = h_0 + \sum_i \epsilon_i, & hu &= \sum_i f_i v_i = h_0 u_0 + (\epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2) v \\ u &= \frac{hu}{h} = u_0 - \frac{u_0}{h_0} \sum_i \epsilon_i + (\epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2) \frac{v}{h_0} \\ hu^2 &= h_0 u_0^2 - u_0^2 \sum_i \epsilon_i + 2(\epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2) v u_0 \end{aligned} \quad (82)$$

We can now compute $f_i^{eq}(h, u)$ for all i .

$$f_0^{eq}(h, u) = f_0^{eq}(h_0, u_0) + \left(1 - \frac{gh_0}{v^2} + \frac{u_0^2}{v^2}\right) \sum_i \epsilon_i - \frac{2u_0}{v} (\epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2) \tag{83}$$

$$f_1^{eq}(h, u) = f_1^{eq}(h_0, u_0) + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{gh_0}{v^2} - \frac{u_0^2}{v^2}\right) \sum_i \epsilon_i + \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{u_0}{v}\right) (\epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2) \tag{84}$$

$$f_2^{eq}(h, u) = f_2^{eq}(h_0, u_0) + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{gh_0}{v^2} - \frac{u_0^2}{v^2}\right) \sum_i \epsilon_i - \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{u_0}{v}\right) (\epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2) \tag{85}$$

Then, in terms of the perturbation, ϵ_i , the LB shallow water equation becomes

$$\begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_0(x, t + \Delta t) \\ \epsilon_1(x + v\Delta t, t + \Delta t) \\ \epsilon_2(x - v\Delta t, t + \Delta t) \end{pmatrix} = M \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_0(x, t) \\ \epsilon_1(x, t) \\ \epsilon_2(x, t) \end{pmatrix} \tag{86}$$

with

$$M = \frac{1}{\tau} \begin{pmatrix} \tau - \phi^2(1 - Fr^2) & 1 - \phi^2(1 - Fr^2) - 2\frac{u_0}{v} & 1 - \phi^2(1 - Fr^2) + 2\frac{u_0}{v} \\ \frac{\phi^2}{2}(1 - Fr^2) & \tau - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\phi^2}{2}(1 - Fr^2) + \frac{u_0}{v} & \frac{\phi^2}{2}(1 - Fr^2) - \frac{1}{2} - \frac{u_0}{v} \\ \frac{\phi^2}{2}(1 - Fr^2) & \frac{\phi^2}{2}(1 - Fr^2) - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{u_0}{v} & \tau - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\phi^2}{2}(1 - Fr^2) - \frac{u_0}{v} \end{pmatrix} \tag{87}$$

where ϕ and Fr are defined in (72). Thus, M depends on three dimensionless parameters, which are $\tau \geq 1/2$, ϕ^2 and Fr^2 .

We can now analyze the LB scheme by taking the discrete Fourier transform of Eq. (86). We define

$$\epsilon(x, t) = \sum_k A_k(t) e^{ikx}$$

where $k = 2\ell\pi/(N\Delta x)$, $\ell = 0, 1, \dots, (N - 1)$ and we obtain

$$A_k(t + \Delta t) = M_k(\phi, Fr, \tau) A_k(t) \tag{88}$$

with

$$M_k = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-ik\Delta x} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e^{ik\Delta x} \end{pmatrix} M. \tag{89}$$

To simplify the notation, we define

$$a = \frac{\phi^2(1 - Fr^2)}{\tau} \quad b = \frac{1}{\tau} \frac{u_0}{v}$$

and

$$c = -\frac{1}{2\tau} + \frac{a}{2} + b \quad d = -\frac{1}{2\tau} + \frac{a}{2} - b$$

Then, the matrix M_k reads

$$M_k = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - a & -2c & -2d \\ \frac{a}{2} e^{-ik\Delta x} & (1 + c) e^{-ik\Delta x} & d e^{-ik\Delta x} \\ \frac{a}{2} e^{ik\Delta x} & c e^{ik\Delta x} & (1 + d) e^{ik\Delta x} \end{pmatrix} \tag{90}$$

Let us now show how the eigenvalues of M_k can be related to the dispersion relation found in (77). We consider solutions of the form $\epsilon(x, t) \propto e^{ikx + i\omega t}$ as we did for the linearized shallow water equation. Here, it means that we assume that $A_k(t)$ can be written as $e^{i\omega t} A_k(0)$. Eq. (88) then reads

$$e^{i\omega t} e^{i\omega \Delta t} A_k(0) = M_k e^{i\omega t} A_k(0).$$

A solution exists provided that

$$(M_k - e^{i\omega \Delta t} I) A_k(0) = 0$$

has non-trivial solutions. That means that $e^{i\omega \Delta t}$ must be an eigenvalue of M_k . Eq. (79) gives the expected expression of $e^{i\omega \Delta t}$, in the hydrodynamic limit, to order $\mathcal{O}(k^2)$.

The eigenvalues of M_k can easily be found numerically for all values of τ, ϕ, Fr and k . This is discussed in the next section. But before, we consider an analytical solution of the eigenvalue problem, accurate to order $\mathcal{O}(k^2)$. With

$$\gamma_- = e^{-ik\Delta x} \quad \gamma_+ = e^{ik\Delta x}$$

the eigenvalue equation associated with M_k reads:

$$(1 - \lambda)(\gamma_- - \lambda)(\gamma_+ - \lambda) + c\gamma_-(\gamma_+ - \lambda)(1 - \lambda) + d\gamma_+(\gamma_- - \lambda)(1 - \lambda) - a(\gamma_- - \lambda)(\gamma_+ - \lambda) = 0 \quad (91)$$

For $\gamma_- = \gamma_+ = 1$ i.e. for a wave number $k = 0$, the above equation reads

$$(1 - \lambda)^2(1 + c + d - a - \lambda) = 0$$

Since $c + d - a = -\frac{1}{\tau}$ the three eigenvalues are

$$\lambda_+ = 1 \quad \lambda_- = 1 \quad \lambda_3 = 1 - \frac{1}{\tau} \quad (92)$$

When the Froude number is 1, $a = 0$ and (91) becomes

$$(1 - \lambda)[(\gamma_- - \lambda)(\gamma_+ - \lambda) + c\gamma_-(\gamma_+ - \lambda) + d\gamma_+(\gamma_- - \lambda)] = 0$$

There is clearly an eigenvalue $\lambda = 1$ and the other two are defined through

$$\lambda^2 - \lambda[\gamma_+ + \gamma_- + c\gamma_- + d\gamma_+] + 1 + c + d = 0$$

In general, Eq. (91) can be written as

$$\lambda^3 - \lambda^2(1 - a + \gamma_+ + \gamma_- + c\gamma_- + d\gamma_+) + \lambda[1 + c + d + (\gamma_+ + \gamma_-)(1 - a) + c\gamma_- + d\gamma_+] + \frac{1}{\tau} - 1 = 0$$

The two eigenvalues λ_{\pm} corresponding to water height h and water flow hu are such that $\lambda_{\pm} = 1$, for $k = 0$, due to the conservation laws. Therefore, to order $\mathcal{O}(k^2)$, we have:

$$\lambda = 1 + i\beta k\Delta x - \alpha(k\Delta x)^2 \quad \gamma_+ = 1 + ik\Delta x - \frac{1}{2}(k\Delta x)^2 \quad \gamma_- = 1 - ik\Delta x - \frac{1}{2}(k\Delta x)^2 \quad (93)$$

where α and β are parameters to be determined. Note that we could similarly obtain the third eigenvalue λ_3 of the problem because, for $k = 0$, Eq. (92) tells us that this eigenvalue is $1 - (1/\tau)$.

Eq. (91) can then be solved order by order. As this is a rather tedious and lengthy (but straightforward) calculation, we only give the results.

Order $\mathcal{O}(k^2)$, value of β : At order $\mathcal{O}(k^2)$, Eq. (91) yields

$$\beta_{\pm} = -\phi(\text{Fr} \mp 1) = -\frac{u_0}{v} \pm \sqrt{\frac{gh_0}{v^2}} \quad (94)$$

as expected from the dispersion relation describing waves propagating at speeds $-u_0 \pm \sqrt{gh_0}$.

Order $\mathcal{O}(k^3)$, value of α :

At order $\mathcal{O}(k^3)$, we obtain a condition for α which is

$$\alpha_{\pm} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\tau - \frac{1}{2} \right) \left[1 - \phi^2(1 + 3\text{Fr}^2) \pm (\phi^2(\text{Fr}^2 + 3) - 1)\text{Fr} \right] + \frac{1}{2}\beta^2 \quad (95)$$

Relations (94) and (95) are in perfect agreement with the dispersion relation obtained from the Chapman–Enskog expansion of the LB shallow water model. See Eqs. (80) and (81).

4.3. Numerical analysis of the eigenvalue problem

In this section we compare the eigenvalues λ of M_k obtained numerically (Matlab solutions) for all values of $0 \leq k\Delta x < 2\pi$ and our analytical expression $\lambda_{\pm} = e^{i\omega_{\pm}At}$ with $i\omega_{\pm}At$ given by (78), namely

$$i\omega_{\pm}At = i \left(-\frac{u_0}{v} \pm \sqrt{\frac{gh_0}{v^2}} \right) (k\Delta x) - \frac{1}{2} \left(\tau - \frac{1}{2} \right) \left[1 - \phi^2 - 3\phi^2\text{Fr}^2 \mp \text{Fr} \left(1 - 3\phi^2 - \phi^2\text{Fr}^2 \right) \right] (k\Delta x)^2 \quad (96)$$

In Fig. 4, we show $\text{Re}(\lambda_{\pm})$ and $\text{Im}(\lambda_{\pm})$ for two arbitrary choices of the model parameters ϕ , Fr and τ . The solid lines correspond to our analytical expression $e^{i\omega_{\pm}At}$ and the dots to the exact eigenvalue (found numerically). For Froude number $\text{Fr} = 1$, we observe in the lower right panel that the eigenvalue has a null imaginary part due to the fact that the wave is at rest. For small enough wave number k , we clearly observe an agreement between the eigenvalues of the LB model and the dispersion relation of the shallow water equation. Actually, Fig. 5 shows the quantities

$$\Delta(k) = |\text{Re}(\lambda - e^{i\omega_{\pm}At})| \quad \text{or} \quad \Delta(k) = |\text{Im}(\lambda - e^{i\omega_{\pm}At})| \quad (97)$$

as a function of the wave number k . The quantity Δ is the difference between the shallow water dispersion equation and the LB model. We see that the LB model is second-order accurate because the error Δ grows as $\mathcal{O}((k\Delta x)^3)$ for the imaginary part (i.e. the wave propagation process) and grows as $\mathcal{O}((k\Delta x)^4)$ for the real part (i.e. the dissipation process). The results of this

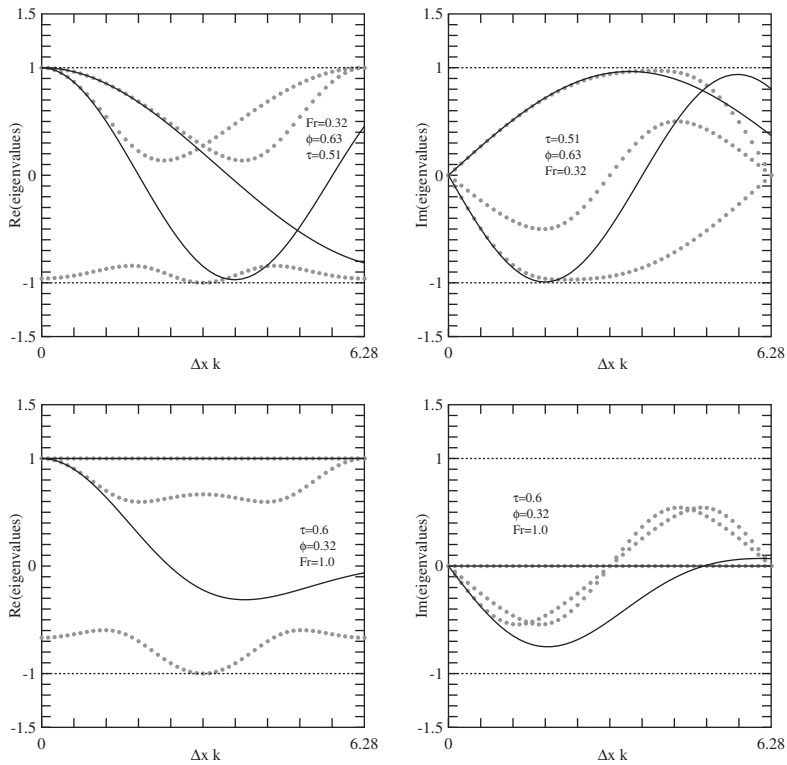


Fig. 4. The real (left) and imaginary (right) parts of the eigenvalues λ of $M_k(\tau, \phi, Fr)$, as a function of $k\Delta x$. The eigenvalues found numerically are shown as dots and are compared to the shallow water dispersion relation $e^{i\omega_{\pm}\Delta t}$ (solid lines). This figure illustrates two possible choices of the model parameters τ , ϕ and Fr .

section confirm the validity of our analytical derivation (Chapman–Enskog expansion) and confirm that the LB model is a second-order accurate solver of the shallow water Eq. (35).

4.4. Numerical stability

The stability of the LB scheme is guaranteed if $-\lambda$, the norm of the eigenvalues of M_k , is not larger than 1 for all $k = 2\ell\pi / (N\Delta x)$, with $\ell = 0, 1, \dots, (N - 1)$. Our analytical expression (79) approximates the value of λ only for small-to-moderate values of k . Therefore this expression cannot be used to assess the parameter range for which unconditional stability is achieved. On the other hand, a numerical investigation can be considered. We simply have to explore the space of possible values for the parameters ϕ , Fr and τ . For each of them one computes all eigenvalues λ of $M_k(\tau, \phi, Fr)$. If, for all k , $-\lambda \leq 1$, then the LB model is unconditionally stable for the chosen set of parameters.

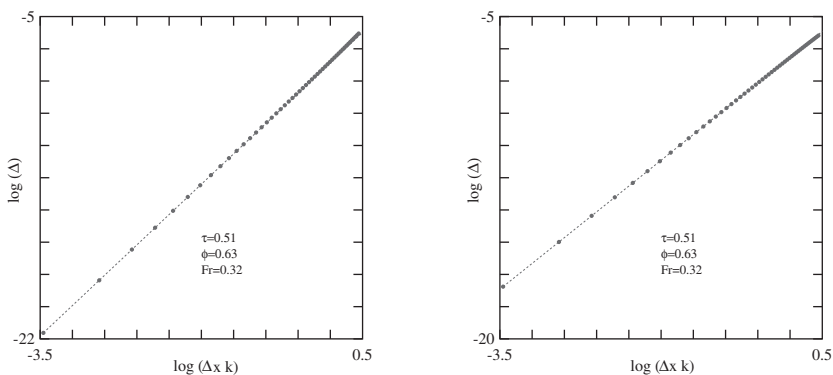


Fig. 5. The dots show the value of $\Delta(k\Delta x)$, as given by (97) in a log–log plot. On the left, the accuracy of the real part of the dispersion relation is found to be second-order because $\Delta(k\Delta x) \propto k^4$, as indicated by the solid line of slope 4. On the right, we show the accuracy of the imaginary part of the dispersion relation. The error between the LB model and the shallow water equation grows as $(k\Delta x)^3$, as proved by the solid line which has slope 3.

As an illustration, Fig. 6 shows the norm of the three eigenvalues of $M_k(\tau, \phi, Fr)$, as a function of all values of the wave numbers $0 \leq k\Delta x < 2\pi$. We observe a numerical instability of the model for the chosen parameters because some eigenvalue have a norm larger than one. A systematic investigation of the numerical stability is given in Fig. 7. We observe that the relaxation time, τ , plays no role in the stability of the D1Q3 model for the shallow water, provided it is larger than or equal to $1/2$.

We note that Froude number, $Fr = 1$, is possible, provided that ϕ is small enough (i.e. $1/\phi$ large enough).

The stability range observed in Fig. 7 can be explained by a simple theoretical argument. Since the LB model describes waves propagating at speed $-u_0 \pm \sqrt{gh_0}$, we must have the conditions

$$-u_0 + \sqrt{gh_0} < v \quad -u_0 - \sqrt{gh_0} > -v \tag{98}$$

so that the waves propagate slower than the lattice speed v , the speed at which information travels in the lattice. This is a kind of a Courant condition. By dividing these equations by $\sqrt{gh_0}$, we obtain

$$1 - \frac{1}{\phi} < Fr < \frac{1}{\phi} + 1 \tag{99}$$

This line is represented in Fig. 7 (solid, dashed line) and shows a very good agreement with the numerically observed stability limit.

We can also explain these limits of the stability region by analyzing the dispersion relation (78). We can write $e^{i\omega_{\pm} \Delta t} = e^{i\beta_{\pm} k \Delta x} e^{-\eta_{\pm} k^2 (\Delta x)^2}$ where

$$\eta_{\pm} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\tau - \frac{1}{2} \right) \left[1 - \phi^2 - 3\phi^2 Fr^2 \mp Fr (1 - 3\phi^2 - \phi^2 Fr^2) \right] \tag{100}$$

Clearly, $\eta < 0$ is a sufficient condition for the numerical scheme to be unstable, because, for $k \rightarrow 0$, $e^{i\omega_{\pm} \Delta t} \rightarrow \lambda_{\pm}$. When $\tau \geq 1/2$, a negative value of η depends only on the choice of ϕ and Fr . It turns out that η_+ can be factorized as

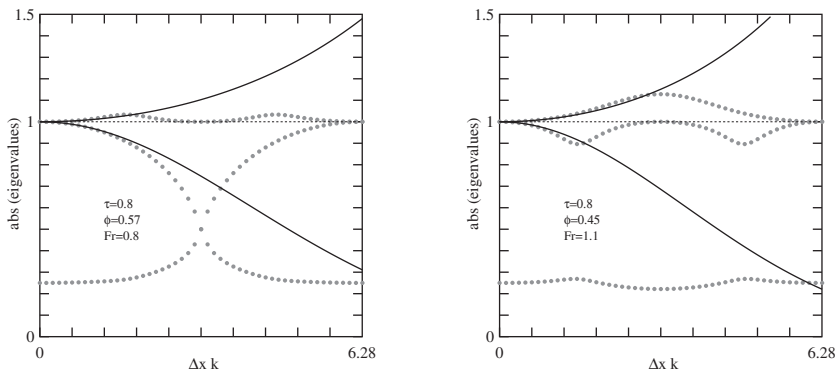


Fig. 6. Norm of the eigenvalues of $M_k(\tau, \phi, Fr)$, as a function of $k\Delta x$, outside the numerical stability region. Left and right panels illustrate two different choices of τ , ϕ and Fr . The dots show the three eigenvalues obtained numerically and the lines corresponds to $e^{i\omega_{\pm} \Delta t}$.

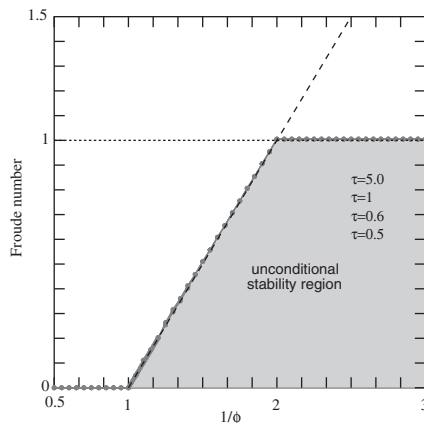


Fig. 7. Stability region in the $\phi^{-1} - Fr$ plane, for different values of τ (gray dots), which all give the same limit. The black dashed line is the theoretical value corresponding to the Courant condition (99).

$$\eta_+ = -\frac{1}{2} \left(\tau - \frac{1}{2} \right) \phi^2 (\text{Fr} + 1) \left(\text{Fr} - \frac{1}{\phi} + 1 \right) \left(\text{Fr} + \frac{1}{\phi} + 1 \right) \tag{101}$$

Thus, for $\phi \geq 0$ and $\text{Fr} \geq 0, \eta_+$ becomes negative if

$$\text{Fr} - \frac{1}{\phi} + 1 > 0 \quad \text{i.e.} \quad \text{Fr} > \frac{1}{\phi} - 1$$

This is precisely the limit we found from the Courant condition.

Furthermore, we see that η_- can be factorized as

$$\eta_- = \frac{1}{2} \left(\tau - \frac{1}{2} \right) \phi^2 (\text{Fr} - 1) \left(\text{Fr} - 1 - \frac{1}{\phi} \right) \left(\text{Fr} - 1 + \frac{1}{\phi} \right) \tag{102}$$

In the region obeying the Courant condition (i.e. $\text{Fr} < \phi^{-1} - 1$) we certainly have $\text{Fr} < \phi^{-1} + 1$ and $\text{Fr} > 1 - \phi^{-1}$. Therefore the condition for η_- to be negative (and the numerical scheme unstable) is $\text{Fr} \geq 1$, as already obtained numerically.

These limits are also verified by the simulation in Section 5.5

5. Benchmark

In this section, we validate numerically the analytical description derived in the previous section. More specifically we compare the LB model with the Preissmann scheme and the finite volume (FV) method with respect to the numerical stability, precision and performance.

5.1. Simulation setup

We consider the steady flow in a canal of length L where the inflow discharge and the outflow water height are fixed at values Q_0 and h_0 . In this case, the analytical solution can be obtained by integrating the ordinary differential equation for $h(x)$:

$$\partial_x h = \frac{gh(I-J)}{gh - u^2} \tag{103}$$

with the boundary condition $h(L) = h_0$ and $J = \frac{n^2 Q_0^2}{B^2 h^2 (\frac{Bh}{B^3 2h})^{4/3}}, u = \frac{Q_0}{Bh}$.

This exact solution is calculated by using the *ode45* solver of Matlab, and referenced as h_{ref} . This benchmark is illustrated in Fig. 8.

The numerical schemes we want to compare are time-dependent solvers. We start the simulation with an initial condition and let the fluid reach its new steady state. The initial condition is a uniform profile of the water height $h(x,0) = h_0$ and

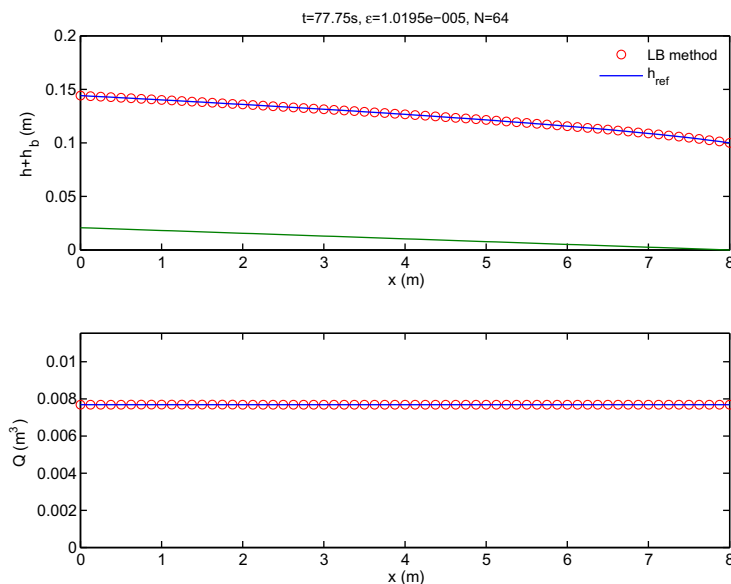


Fig. 8. Steady state water level (above) and discharge (below) used for the comparison benchmark. The continuous line represents the reference solution computed from a numerical integration of the steady state shallow water equation.

discharge $Q(x,0) = Q_e$. Where Q_e is the discharge corresponding to this uniform water height and calculated by the condition $I = J$. So, $Q_e = \frac{\sqrt{I} B h_0}{n} (\frac{B h_0}{B + 2h})^{2/3}$.

In order to avoid a sudden change, the inflow discharge, Q_{in} , will be increased in ramp from the initial value Q_e to the final value Q_0 . For the numerical application, we get $h_0 = 0.1$ m, $Q_0 = 1.5Q_e$, $I = 2.6 \times 10^{-3}$, $B = 0.1$ m and $n = 0.0103$.

All three methods are implemented in Matlab and none of them has been fine tuned for performance optimization. The FV code was initially developed by Simpson and Castellort [19].

5.2. Preissmann implicit scheme

The approximation of the function, $f(h$ or $u)$, and its derivatives in space and in time is based on the following expression (see Fig. 9):

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x, t) &= (1 - \theta)[\phi f_{i+1}^j + (1 - \phi)f_i^j] + \theta[\phi f_{i+1}^{j+1} + (1 - \phi)f_i^{j+1}] \\
 \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x, t) &= \frac{1}{\Delta x} [(1 - \theta)(f_{i+1}^j - f_i^j) + \theta(f_{i+1}^{j+1} - f_i^{j+1})] \\
 \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(x, t) &= \frac{1}{\Delta t} [(1 - \phi)(f_i^{j+1} - f_i^j) + \phi(f_{i+1}^{j+1} - f_{i+1}^j)]
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{104}$$

where i is the space index, j the time index and $0 \leq \theta \leq 1, 0 \leq \phi \leq 1$, are weighting coefficients. If $\theta > 0.5$ we get an unconditionally stable scheme. For simulation, we choose $\theta = 0.75$ and $\phi = 0.5$.

To solve the shallow water equation, we perform the Preissmann scheme for h and u in time and space, and obtain a system of non-linear equations that can be solved by using the Newton–Raphson method. The boundary condition can be carried out by adding two equations: $Bh_1u_1 = Q_{in}$ and $h_N = h_0$.

5.3. Finite volume method

Firstly, we rewrite the shallow water equations as:

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{U}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial x} = \mathbf{S}
 \tag{105}$$

where $\mathbf{U} = \begin{bmatrix} h \\ hu \end{bmatrix}$ is the solution vector, $\mathbf{E} = \begin{bmatrix} hu \\ \frac{1}{2}gh^2 + hu^2 \end{bmatrix}$ is the flux vector, and $\mathbf{S} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ gh(I - J) \end{bmatrix}$ is the source vector.

By integrating (105) over an arbitrary segment L_i , the basic equation of the finite volume method is obtained (see Fig. 10):

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{L_i} \mathbf{U} dx + [\mathbf{E}]_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} = \int_{L_i} \mathbf{S} dx.
 \tag{106}$$

Rewriting the last equation in discrete form, the governing equations become:

$$L_i \frac{\Delta \mathbf{U}_i}{\Delta t} + [\mathbf{E}]_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} = L_i \mathbf{S}_i.
 \tag{107}$$

The flux can be estimated by solving a series of local Riemann problems (see [19]), (107) can now be solved by the standard explicit forward Euler method. Note that in the code which was provided to us the Riemann problem is solved with first-order accuracy, although a second-order accurate solution is also possible.

The boundary condition for the inflow discharge is carried out by setting $h_1 = h_2$ and $Bh_1u_1 = Q_{in}$; the boundary condition for the outflow water height is implemented as $h_N = h_0$ and $h_N u_N = h_{N-1} u_{N-1}$.

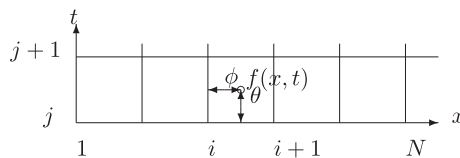


Fig. 9. Preissmann implicit scheme.

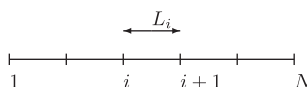


Fig. 10. Finite volume method.

5.4. LB method

The LB scheme has been described in full detail the previous sections. Here we only describe how to implement the boundary conditions. In reference to Fig. 11 the inflow discharge is obtained by imposing: $f_1 = \frac{Q_{in}}{B} - f_0 - f_2$. The outflow water height is carried out by $f_2 = h_0 - f_0 - f_1$. But this solution will create a rapid change in f_2 and cause oscillations for the discharge at the right extremity. So we use the following relaxation algorithm:

- Calculate the new value of f_2 as: $f_2 = h_0 - f_0 - f_1$.
- Calculate the new discharge: $q = v(f_1 - f_2)$
- Calculate the true discharge at the outflow-end: $q^t = (1 - \alpha)q + \alpha q^{t-\Delta t}$ where $\alpha \in [0;1]$
- Re-calculate the value of f_2 : $f_2 = f_1 - \frac{q^t}{v}$

5.5. Simulation

With all three methods (LB, Preissmann, FV) a simulation is run until a steady flow is reached. Different numbers of points, N , are used to test the precision. For each N , the spatial step is defined as $\Delta x = \frac{L}{N}$ and the time step, $\Delta t = \frac{\Delta x}{v}$, where v is fixed ($v=2$). These values are used for all three methods. We consider that the steady solution h_s is attained if $e < 10^{-8}$ where e is the relative distance of the water height profile between two consecutive iterations. It is calculated as:

$$e = \frac{\|h_t - h_{t-\Delta t}\|}{\|h_t\|} \tag{108}$$

with $\|x\| = \sqrt{\sum_i x_i^2}$. The relative error, ϵ , is calculated as:

$$\epsilon = \frac{\|h_s - h_{ref}\|}{\|h_{ref}\|} \tag{109}$$

The CPU time, T_{CPU} , is determined as the time to reach the steady solution. The results are displayed in (Fig. 12) and (Fig. 13). The Zhou’s force model and Guo’s simplified force term (the latter was obtained in Section 3.2 with $A=0$ and $B = (1 - \frac{1}{2\tau})F$) behave identically. Both exhibit second-order accuracy from 8 to 512 grid points before showing an error increase when $N = 1024$. This suggests that the convective scaling $\Delta t \propto \Delta x$ we used should be replaced by a diffusing scaling $\Delta t \propto \Delta x^2$ when Δx becomes small.

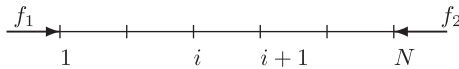


Fig. 11. LB method.

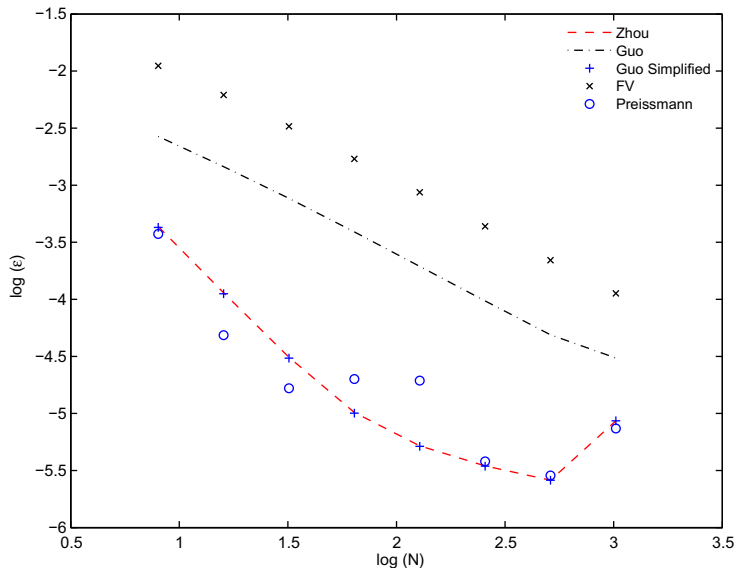


Fig. 12. Precision of different methods.

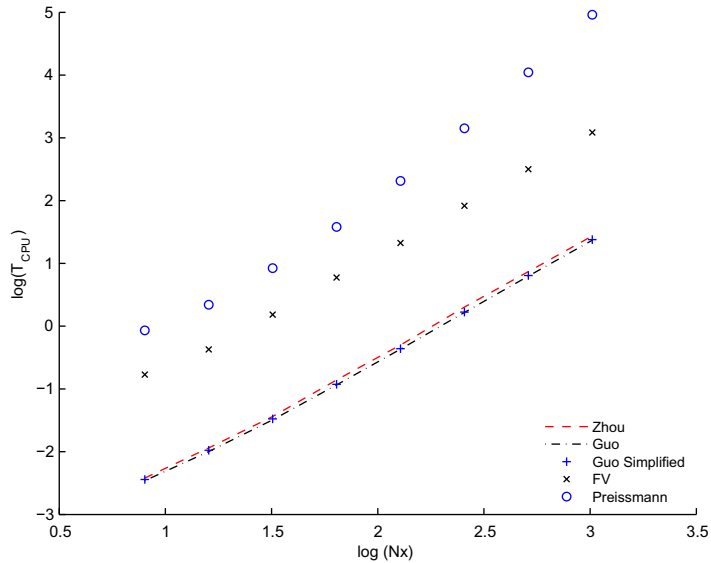


Fig. 13. CPU calculation time.

The Guo force term is only first-order accurate and is also less precise in magnitude. The Preissmann scheme has a same performance as Zhou's force term, except for $N = 64$ and $N = 128$. In these cases, the steady solution is reached with $e = 0$, so ϵ cannot be reduced.

Finally, the finite volume method is first-order (as expected), and is the least accurate.

We previously mentioned that Guo's force term leads to an implicit definition of u while Zhou's force term does not. In calculating the CPU time, we used Zhou's force term.

For all methods, the CPU time increases by a factor of 4 when the number of points is doubled, because the number of iterations is also doubled to reach the steady solution (due to our scaling of Δt versus Δx). We observe that the LB solver is much faster than the two others. It is more than 100 times faster than the Preissmann methods and about 10 times faster than the FV approach. This fact can be explained by examining in detail the calculation of each scheme. For the LB method, at each time step, just f^{eq} and f^{out} need to be evaluated to obtain h and u . For the FV approach, we have to solve a series of local Riemann problems and the source term is calculated by point-implicitly method (see [19]), which results great amount of operators to execute. In Preissmann schema, a iteration method is use to find the solution of a system of N non-linear equation which requires a great number of evaluation of these equations. As a result, this schema is far slower than the two others.

Finally we consider the numerical stability of these three schemes. The Preissmann scheme is implicit and unconditionally stable. The stability region of the LBM is limited by $Fr < 1$ and $Fr < \frac{1}{\phi} - 1$ as indicated in (Fig. 7). This conclusion can be verified by the simulation, as follows.

We consider a long canal of length, $L = 8$ m, with no slope and no friction. We impose periodic boundary conditions by setting $f_1^n(x_1) = f_1^{out}(x_N)$ and $f_2^n(x_N) = f_2^{out}(x_1)$ (see Fig. 11). We initialize this canal with a water height perturbed as $h(x, 0) = h_0 + 0.1e^{-\frac{(x-4)^2}{\sigma^2}}$ with $h_0 = 0.1$ m. An initial speed u is imposed according to the chosen Froude number, according to the relation $u = Fr\sqrt{gh_0}$. In order to choose ϕ the lattice speed v is adjusted as $v = \frac{\sqrt{gh_0}}{\phi}$. We do this simulation with different values of τ .

The stability of the system is tested by using the entropies notion [17]. Entropies of the system (1), (2) without friction and slope are functions $(h, u) \rightarrow E(h, u)$ such that for some function $F: (h, u) \rightarrow (h, u)$, called the entropy flux, we have:

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial h} = u \frac{\partial E}{\partial h} + g \frac{\partial E}{\partial u} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial F}{\partial u} = h \frac{\partial E}{\partial h} + u \frac{\partial E}{\partial u}. \quad (110)$$

With these functions, if we let $R = \int_0^L E(h, u) dx$ then we have $\dot{R} = -[F(h, u)]_0^L = 0$ because of the periodic boundary condition. This means that R is a conserved scalar quantity which can be used to test the stability of the integration scheme. A possible entropy function for the shallow water Eqs. (1), (2) is introduced in [7]:

$$E(h, u) = \frac{1}{2} hu^2 + \frac{1}{2} gh^2, \quad F(h, u) = \frac{1}{2} hu^3 + gh^2 u \quad (111)$$

We will consider that the considered discretization scheme is stable if after 10,000 iterations the entropy value has not exceeded 1% of its initial value. We follow the same procedure for the FV method, but this time, taking into account only Fr and ϕ , since τ is not a parameter of the FV scheme. The results are presented in Fig. 14.

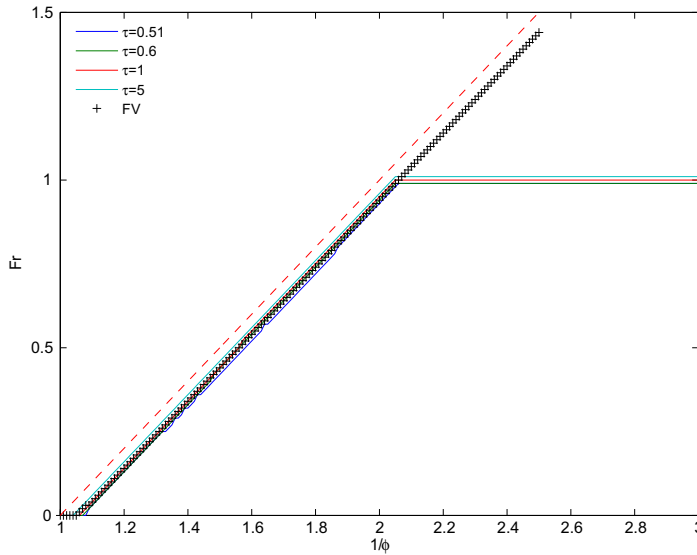


Fig. 14. The stability region of LBM (lines) and finite volume method (+). The Courant condition is presented as a dashed line. There is a slight difference with Fig. 7 because the simulation is non-linear.

As expected, the limits of stability of the LB method are the Courant condition and $Fr < 1$. However, we can modify the present D1Q3 model to obtain a new model which is stable for both $Fr < 1$ and $Fr > 1$ as is described in [3].

6. Coupling experiments

In this section, we show how to use the 1D shallow water LB model to simulate a complex canal structure by coupling two or more canal sections. We will first consider many examples of hydraulic works like submerged gates, pumping stations, spillways, branching junctions or mixed interconnection structures. Then we will apply the proposed coupling methodology (and the 1D shallow water LB model for single reaches) to develop the full model of a real example: the *Canal de la Bourne* network which irrigates the East of Valence (Drôme, France) agricultural plains with the water from the Vercors Mountains. Finally some numerical simulations will prove the efficiency of the proposed methodology.

6.1. Coupling relations

When coupling two 1D canal sections that are described with a LB model, some of the f_i 's are known and other are unknown at the junction. In order to connect two segments coupled by a gate or a pump station, one has to compute, for each segment, the missing distributions. Referring to Fig. 15 we denote by f_i the density distributions of the up-stream system, and by f'_i the density distributions of the down-stream system. The unknown variables are then f_2 and f'_1 . They can be obtained by solving an equation describing the physical properties of the coupling.

6.1.1. Connection through a gate

A gate in a submerged regime is presented in Fig. 16. The flow rate Q through the gate is governed by the difference between the up-stream water level h and down-stream level h' , and is given by the well known gate equation [8]

$$Q = B_g \alpha \theta \sqrt{2g(h - h')} \tag{112}$$

where B_g is the gate width, α the gate coefficient, θ the gate opening and g the gravity.

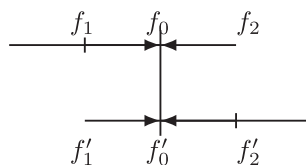


Fig. 15. The known (f_2, f_0 and f_1, f_0) and unknown (f_2 and f'_1) distributions f_i at a connection point.

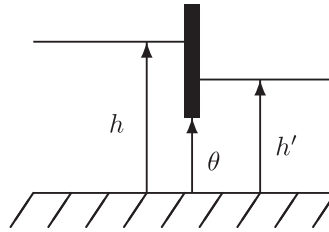


Fig. 16. Gate structure.

The coupling through a gate imposes that the flows Q and Q' are the same. From the definition of the water level and the discharge, we have the relations:

$$\begin{aligned}
 h &= f_0 + f_1 + f_2 \\
 h' &= f'_0 + f'_1 + f'_2 \\
 Q &= vB(f_1 - f_2) = vB'(f'_1 - f'_2) = B_g \alpha \theta \sqrt{2g(h - h')}
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{113}$$

where B denotes the width at up-stream and B' the width at down-stream of the gate. So we obtain a system of two equations that we can solve for f_2 and f'_1

$$\begin{cases}
 B(f_1 - f_2) = B'(f'_1 - f'_2) \\
 vB(f_1 - f_2) = B_g \alpha \theta \sqrt{2g} \sqrt{(f_0 + f_1 + f_2) - (f'_0 + f'_1 + f'_2)}
 \end{cases}
 \tag{114}$$

From the first equation, we have $f'_1 = B/B'(f_1 - f_2) + f'_2$. By replacing this in the second equation, we have:

$$f_1 - f_2 = k \sqrt{r + f_2 \left(1 + \frac{B}{B'}\right)}, \quad k = \frac{B_g \alpha \theta \sqrt{2g}}{vB}, \quad r = f_0 - f'_0 + f_1 \left(1 - \frac{B}{B'}\right) - 2f'_2
 \tag{115}$$

which is equivalent to

$$f_2^2 - (2f_1 + (1 + B/B')k^2)f_2 + f_1^2 - k^2r = 0
 \tag{116}$$

This is a second-order equation in f_2 and we take the positive solution:

$$f_2 = \frac{1}{2} \left(2f_1 + (1 + B/B')k^2 + k \sqrt{4(1 + B/B')f_1 + (1 + B/B')^2k^2 + 4r} \right)
 \tag{117}$$

And f'_1 is calculated by:

$$f'_1 = B/B'(f_1 - f_2) + f'_2
 \tag{118}$$

6.1.2. Connection by a pumping station

A pumping station is illustrated in Fig. 17. The relation between the flow rate, Q , and water level, h , before the pump and Q' and h' after the pump are that

$$\begin{aligned}
 Q &= Q' + Q_p \\
 h &= h'
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{119}$$

where Q_p is the flow rate taken by the pump.

Using the same notation as introduced in Fig. 15 and from the definition of the water depth and the flow rate we obtain

$$\begin{cases}
 vB(f_1 - f_2) = vB'(f'_1 - f'_2) + Q_p \\
 f_0 + f_1 + f_2 = f'_0 + f'_1 + f'_2
 \end{cases}
 \Rightarrow
 \begin{cases}
 f_2 = \frac{1}{1+B/B'}(2f'_2 + f'_0 - f_0 + (B/B' - 1)f_1 - \frac{Q_p}{vB}) \\
 f'_1 = \frac{1}{2+B'/B}(2f_1 + f_0 - f'_0 + (B'/B - 1)f'_2 - \frac{Q_p}{vB})
 \end{cases}
 \tag{120}$$

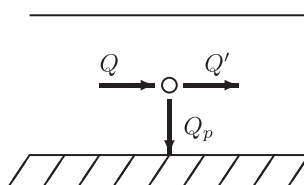


Fig. 17. Schematic description of a pumping station.

6.1.3. Connection through a spillway

Spillways, such as represented in Fig. 18, are commonly used in irrigation networks to guarantee (stabilize) the water level in the up-stream part whatever the water flow is. The flow rate through the spillway is given by [8]:

$$Q_s = \begin{cases} L_s R_s \sqrt{2g(h - h_s)^3}, & \text{if } h \geq h_s \\ 0 & \text{if } h < h_s \end{cases} \quad (121)$$

where L_s is the spillway's width, R_s , the spillway's coefficient, h , the water level at up-stream and, h_s , the spillway's height. By the definition of h and Q , we have:

$$vB(f_1 - f_2) = \begin{cases} L_s R_s \sqrt{2g(f_0 + f_1 + f_2 - h_s)^3}, & \text{if } f_0 + f_1 + f_2 \geq h_s \\ 0 & \text{if } f_0 + f_1 + f_2 < h_s. \end{cases} \quad (122)$$

This non-linear equation can be solved by any numerical method to obtain the unknown f_2 . More complex models for the spillway can be used without modifying the general structure of these constitutive equations. Again the other unknown f_1 is determined using the water conservation assumption by Eq. (118).

6.1.4. Branching canal

We can also define the coupling relation in the case of a canal that splits in two branches. In terms of the distributions f_i , the situation is illustrated in Fig. 19. An up-stream section with distributions f meets two down-stream sections described with distribution functions f' and f'' , respectively.

At the branching, the water height is the same for the three branches, whereas the up-stream discharge is divided in two parts. Thus, the following relations have to be satisfied

$$\begin{aligned} h &= h' = h'' \\ Q &= Q' + Q'' \end{aligned} \quad (123)$$

where h , Q are water height and discharge in the up-stream canal at the junction, while h' , Q' , and h'' , Q'' are water heights and discharges in the two down-stream branches.

The above three equations can be expressed in terms of the distributions

$$\begin{cases} f_0 + f_1 + f_2 = f'_0 + f'_1 + f'_2 \\ f_0 + f_1 + f_2 = f''_0 + f''_1 + f''_2 \\ vB(f_1 - f_2) = vB'(f'_1 - f'_2) + vB''(f''_1 - f''_2) \end{cases} \quad (124)$$

where B , B' , and B'' denote the canal's width in the three branches. After isolating the unknown distributions, this systems becomes

$$\begin{cases} f_2 - f'_1 = -f_0 - f_1 + f'_0 + f'_2 \\ f_2 - f''_1 = -f_0 - f_1 + f''_0 + f''_2 \\ Bf_2 + B'f'_1 + B''f''_1 = Bf_1 + B'f'_2 + B''f''_2 \end{cases} \quad (125)$$

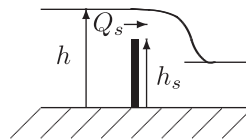


Fig. 18. Spillway structure.

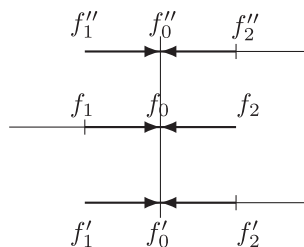


Fig. 19. The known (f_2 , f'_0 , f'_2 , f''_0 and f_1 , f_0) and unknown (f_2 , f'_1 and f''_1) distributions f_i at a connection point.

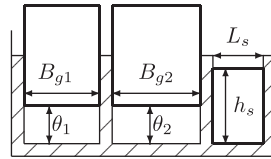


Fig. 20. Structure with two gates and one spillway in parallel.

which can be solved as

$$\begin{aligned} f_2 &= \frac{1}{K} [-(B' + B'')f_0 + (B - B' - B'')f_1 + B'f'_0 + 2B'f'_2 + B''f''_0 + 2B''f''_2] \\ f'_1 &= \frac{1}{K} [Bf_0 + 2Bf_1 - (B + B'')f'_0 + (B - B' + B'')f'_2 + B''f''_0 + 2B''f''_2] \\ f''_1 &= \frac{1}{K} [Bf_0 + 2Bf_1 + B'f'_0 + 2B'f'_2 - (B + B')f''_0 + (-B - B' + B'')f''_2] \end{aligned} \quad (126)$$

where $K = B + B' + B''$

6.1.5. Connection through a mixed structure

Finally, we show how to connect two canal sections with a mixed structure consisting of different elements placed in parallel (such as two gates side by side, a gate and a spillway, etc.). We present here the case of two gates and one spillway as represented in Fig. 20. The other cases can be treated similarly.

The flow rate is determined by:

$$\begin{aligned} Q &= Q_{g1} + Q_{g2} + Q_s \\ Q_{g1} &= \alpha_1 B_{g1} \theta_1 \sqrt{2g(h - h')} \\ Q_{g2} &= \alpha_2 B_{g2} \theta_2 \sqrt{2g(h - h')} \\ Q_s &= \begin{cases} L_s R_s \sqrt{2g(h - h_s)^3}, & \text{if } h \geq h_s \\ 0 & \text{if } h < h_s \end{cases} \end{aligned} \quad (127)$$

As in previous sections, we have the following relations:

$$\begin{aligned} Q &= vB(f_1 - f_2) = vB'(f'_1 - f'_2) \\ h &= f_0 + f_1 + f_2 \\ h' &= f'_0 + f'_1 + f'_2 \end{aligned} \quad (128)$$

Again, these equations need to be solved by a numerical method to obtain the unknowns f_2 and f'_1 .

6.2. Simulation example

Our simulation example is a model of the *canal de la Bourne* irrigation network. This network was built in the late 19th century to irrigate the plains around Valence in France. It is still in use now and its fine modelling and control has become a new challenge. Indeed, the demand on water considerably increased these last few decades as, more recently, the constraints on the quantity of water which may be withdrawn from the up-stream natural river *La Bourne* became more and more binding limitations. A sketch of the canal network is presented in Fig. 21. The main reach (from $x = 0$ to $x = x_6$) is about 30 km long. The main irrigation network consists of:

- An up-stream reservoir at Ecançière which supplies the canal through two gates and has a constant water level.
- A pumping station at Martinet which pumps water from Isère river to the canal or can produce electricity during the Autumn and Winter seasons.
- A gate at Mondy which consists of two submerged gates and a spillway (see the mixed interconnection structure developed in the previous section).
- A gate at Orme with the same structure as the one in Mondy.
- A Secondary canal, termed S3, which takes water from the canal through a submerged gate.
- A spillway, just after S3, which aims at maintaining the water supply for S3.
- Two reservoirs at Lafarge and Freydier which receive the water from the canal through spillways.

To simulate this system, we divide it into six segments and use the previously presented methods to connect them. The parameters used are presented in Tables 1–3. The lattice Boltzmann model is carried out with $\Delta x = 100$ (m), $\Delta t = 40$ (s) and $\tau = 0.7$;

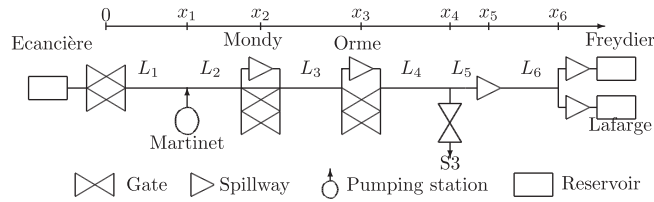


Fig. 21. Structure of the Bourne irrigation system.

The model has first to be initialized. From the shallow water Eqs. (1), (2), it could be noticed that the water flow equilibrium profile is necessarily uniform while the water level profile is generally non-uniform (unless the condition $I = J$ holds which is the case only when the friction forces precisely equilibrate the “gravity” forces). The steady state initial profiles are thus constructed in the following way:

- Choose the water height $h(x_6^+)$ and calculate the flow rate of the steady state $Q_0 = Q(x_6)$
- Integrate Eq. (103) to obtain the water height $h(x)$, $x \in [x_5, x_6]$ with the boundary condition at x_6
- Calculate the water height up-stream of the spillway S3 $h(x_5^+)$ by imposing the discharge through the spillway Q_0
- Integrate Eq. (103) to obtain the water height $h(x)$, $x \in [x_4, x_5]$ with the boundary condition at x_5^+
- Choose the flow rate withdrawn by the secondary canal S3 Q_{S3} and integrate Eq. (103) to obtain the water height $h(x)$, $x \in [x_3, x_4]$ with the boundary condition at x_4^+ : $h(x_4^+) = h(x_4)$ and the discharge $Q_1 = Q_0 + Q_{S3}$
- Choose the water height at x_3^+ and determine the gates opening by using the discharge Q_1 , the gate equations and the spillway equations.
- Integrate Eq. (103) to obtain the water height $h(x)$, $x \in [x_2, x_3]$ with the boundary condition at x_3^+
- Choose the water height at x_2^+ and determine the gates opening by using the discharge Q_1 , the gate equations and the spillway equations.
- Integrate Eq. (103) to obtain the water height $h(x)$, $x \in [x_1, x_2]$ with the boundary condition at x_2^+
- Choose the discharge supplied by the pump station Q_p
- Integrate Eq. (103) to obtain the water height $h(x)$, $x \in [0, x_1]$ with the boundary condition at x_2^+ : $h(x_2^+) = h(x_2)$ and the discharge $Q_2 = Q_1 - Q_p$
- Use the boundary condition at x_4 and the discharge Q_{S3} to initialize the secondary canal S3.

Table 1
Parameters for the reaches.

	L_1	L_2	L_3	L_4	L_5	L_6
Length (m)	5900	6900	2650	7000	100	3325
Slope (10^{-4})	2,753	2,753	2,441	2,4	2,4	2,4
Width (m)	5,605	5,605	5,1	4,36	4,36	4,36
Manning coefficient	0,033					

Table 2
Parameters for the gates.

	α_1	α_2	B_1 (m)	B_2 (m)
Ecançière	0,66	0,66	2,4	2,4
Mondy			1,07	2,9
Orme			2,9	2,9
Gate in S3	0,66		2	

Table 3
Parameters of the spillways.

	R_s	L_s (m)	h_s (m)
Mondy	0,35	0,8	1,3
Orme		1,91	1,7
Spillway S3		9,6	0,8
Lafarge		4	1,35
Freydier		2	1,57

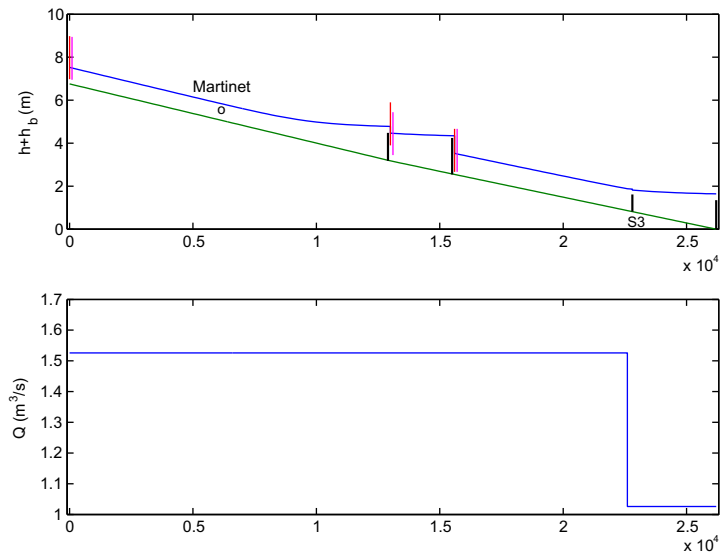


Fig. 22. Initial conditions for the principal canal.

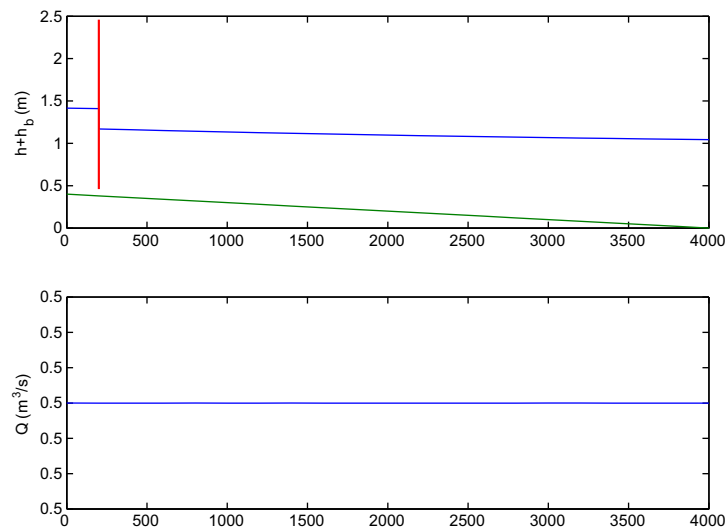


Fig. 23. Initial conditions for the secondary canal.

These initial conditions are presented in Figs. 22 and 23. Starting with this equilibrium configuration for the irrigation network, we use the following scenario for the simulation of the transient behavior of the model. Firstly, at time $t = 0$ (h) the opening of the first gate at Ecancière increases by 90%, following a ramp, to reach its final value with a rate of 5.6×10^{-4} (%/s). Then at time $t = 1$ (h) the pumping station at Martinet starts to withdraw water from the canal. The withdrawal flow rate increases with a rate of 0.02 (m^3/s) to reach its final value at 0.5 (m^3/s). Finally, at time $t = 2$ (h), the gate opening in S3 increases by 30%, following a ramp, to reach its final value with the same speed as for the gate at Ecancière. The simulation results are presented in Figs. 24 and 25. We can see the wave propagation phenomenon with constant speed and the discharge discontinuity corresponding to withdrawal at the pumping station and in the secondary canal. These simulation results agree with the measured values for this scenario.

Finally, from a complexity point of view, it could be noticed that with the computer used to perform this simulation (with a code written in Matlab) it is only possible to update up to 1.3×10^4 sites per second. A simulation over 1 year for the above network described with 159 sites requires about 2.5 h of CPU times. A C++ implementation is typically 100 times faster, without any code optimization, and reduces the time needed for this 1-year simulation (with the same spatial and temporal resolutions) to the order of a few minutes of CPU times. For real scale irrigation networks we are thus far beyond real time

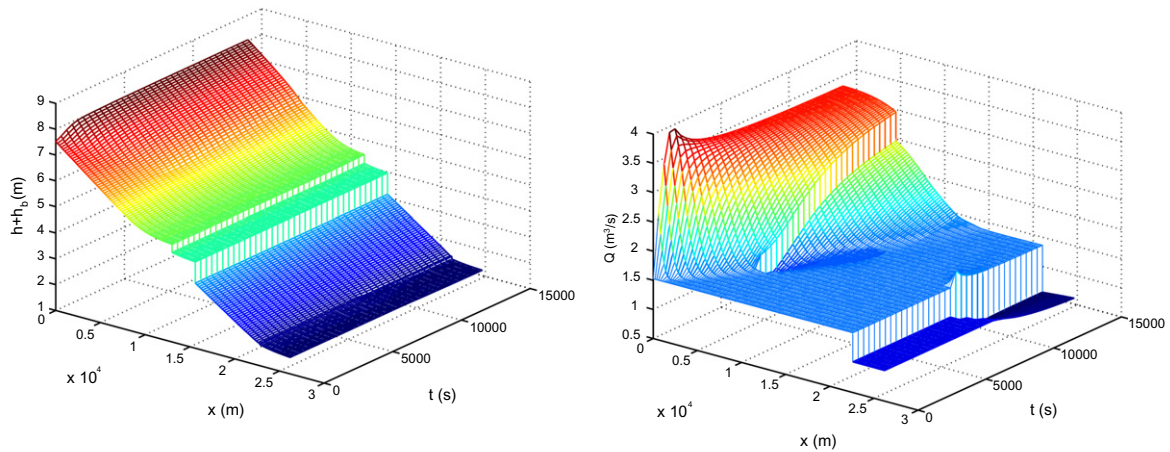


Fig. 24. Evolution in the main canal.

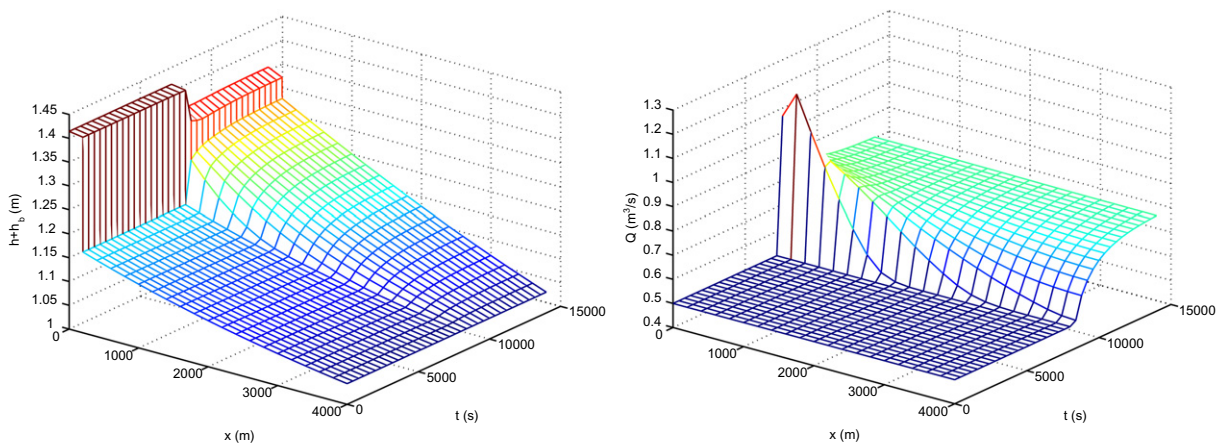


Fig. 25. Evolution in the secondary canal

requirements. However this efficiency may be useful for reduced scale experimental micro-canals (with typically fast dynamics associated with low frictions and short reaches which are only a few meters long, rather than a few kilometers long), for complex irrigation networks (with a complex tree of secondary canals connected through dozens of hydraulic works, many pumping stations or reservoirs, etc.) or for other fluid flow application examples for the ideas presented in this paper.

7. Conclusions

In this work, we discuss the capability of the Lattice Boltzmann method to solve the 1D shallow water equation. We proposed an exact analytical study of its accuracy and its stability when the system is linearized around a water level, h , and a velocity, u . We derived the dissipative term as well as the non-equilibrium part of the distribution function, f_i . Our derivation is validated by numerical simulations. Our results show that the viscosity term reported in some recent publications on the LB method for the shallow water equations has been incorrectly calculated. We also propose a detailed analysis of the way to add an external force on the LB model. Exact analytical solutions of the LB model with force have been obtained in a simple situation.

Furthermore we compare the 1D LB model with two other solvers: an implicit finite difference scheme and a finite volume approach. Our comparison showed that the LB model is more precise and significantly faster than the other methods. However the stability region of the LB model is limited by the Courant condition and sub-critical flow conditions, unless some model extensions are considered, such as the asymmetric D1Q3 LB model which can correctly describe the transition between the fluvial and torrential regimes.

A coupling methodology to interconnect several 1D models is also developed. It is found to give very good results. Therefore our coupling strategy allows us to simulate many canal sections interconnected through different types of structures (e.g. gates, spillways, pumping stations or branchings).

Other coupling problems, such as the coupling between a 1D and a 2D LB shallow water models, or between two 1D models with different resolutions are also possible although not described here. See [21] for more details. The coupling of LB shallow water models with a fully resolved, free surface flow model, such as that developed in [12,13], is currently under investigation and will be reported in a forthcoming publication.

All these results show the promising potential of the LB approach to simulate a realistic complex network of irrigation canals.

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