Numerical Approximation of the inviscid 3D primitive equations in a limited domain

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One Dimensional Transport Equation

The equation:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + a \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 0.$$



Figure 2: Boundary Conditions

Limited Area models based on the Shallow Water equations

Equations:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + g \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} - fv = -g \frac{\partial B}{\partial x}, & x \in (0, L), t > 0, \\\\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + fu = 0, \\\\ \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} h = 0. \end{cases}$$
(1)

Initial conditions:

$$u(x,0) = u_0(x), v(x,0) = v_0(x), h(x,0) = h_0(x), 0 < x < L.$$
(2)

the Shallow Water model:

{ (u,v): velocity, h: the height of water level and B: the height of the bottom.



Figure 3: The shallow water model

Consider the Shallow Water equations linearized around the simple uniform flow:

$$\bar{u} = u_0, \ \bar{v} = v_0, \ \text{and} \ \bar{h} = h_0.$$

We set

$$\begin{cases}
u = \bar{u} + \tilde{u}, \\
v = \bar{v} + \tilde{v}, \\
h = \bar{h} + \tilde{h}.
\end{cases}$$

$$(LSWEs) \begin{cases}
\tilde{u}_t + u_0 \tilde{u}_x + g \tilde{h}_x - f \tilde{v} = 0, \\
\tilde{v}_t + u_0 \tilde{v}_x + f \tilde{u} = 0, \\
\tilde{h}_t + u_0 \tilde{h}_x + h_0 \tilde{u}_x = 0.
\end{cases}$$
(3)

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Perturbed Energy

Consider

$$\frac{d}{dt}\int_0^L (\tilde{u}^2+\tilde{v}^2+\frac{g}{h_0}\tilde{h}^2)\,dx=I(0,t)-I(L,t),$$

where

$$\begin{split} I(x,t) &= u_0(\tilde{u}^2(x,t) + \tilde{v}^2(x,t) + \frac{g}{h_0}\tilde{h}^2(x,t)) + 2g\tilde{u}(x,t)\tilde{h}(x,t), \\ &= \left(\begin{array}{ccc} \tilde{u} & \tilde{v} & \frac{\sqrt{g}}{\sqrt{h_0}}\tilde{h} \end{array}\right) \left(\begin{array}{ccc} u_0 & 0 & \sqrt{gh_0} \\ 0 & u_0 & 0 \\ \sqrt{gh_0} & 0 & u_0 \end{array}\right) \left(\begin{array}{cc} \tilde{u} \\ \tilde{v} \\ \frac{\sqrt{g}}{\sqrt{h_0}}\tilde{h} \end{array}\right), \\ &= (u_0 - \sqrt{gh_0})\tilde{\alpha}^2(x,t) + u_0\tilde{\beta}^2(x,t) + (u_0 + \sqrt{gh_0})\tilde{\gamma}^2(x,t), \end{split}$$

where

$$\begin{cases} \tilde{\alpha}(x,t) = \frac{\tilde{u}(x,t)}{\sqrt{2}} - \sqrt{\frac{g}{2h_0}}\tilde{h}(x,t), \\ \tilde{\beta}(x,t) = \tilde{v}(x,t), \\ \tilde{\gamma}(x,t) = \frac{\tilde{u}(x,t)}{\sqrt{2}} + \sqrt{\frac{g}{2h_0}}\tilde{h}(x,t). \end{cases}$$

Flow type:

Subcritical flows: $u_0 - \sqrt{gh_0} < 0$ Supercritical flows : $u_0 - \sqrt{gh_0} > 0$

For subcritical flows:

$$\begin{cases} \tilde{u}(L,t) - \sqrt{\frac{g}{h_0}}\tilde{h}(L,t) = 0, \\ \tilde{v}(0,t) = 0, \\ \tilde{u}(0,t) + \sqrt{\frac{g}{h_0}}\tilde{h}(0,t) = 0. \end{cases}$$

For supercritical flows:

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Linear type of characteristic boundary conditions:

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(I)
$$\begin{cases} \alpha_1(L,t) = u(L,t) - \sqrt{\frac{g}{h_0}}h(L,t) = u_0 - \sqrt{gh_0}, \\ \beta_1(0,t) = v(0,t) = v_0, \\ \gamma_1(0,t) = u(0,t) + \sqrt{\frac{g}{h_0}}h(0,t) = u_0 + \sqrt{gh_0}. \end{cases}$$
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(5)

Nonlinear type of characteristic boundary conditions:

Inspired by the theoretical work presented in the book of Benzoni and Serre, we consider the boundary conditions **For subcritical flows:**

(III)
$$\begin{cases} \alpha_2(L,t) = \frac{u(L,t)}{2} - \sqrt{gh(L,t)} = \frac{u_0}{2} - \sqrt{gh_0}, \\ \beta_2(0,t) = v(0,t) = v_0, \\ \gamma_2(0,t) = \frac{u(0,t)}{2} + \sqrt{gh(0,t)} = \frac{u_0}{2} + \sqrt{gh_0}. \end{cases}$$
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(7)

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial \alpha_2}{\partial t} + (\frac{3\alpha_2 + \gamma_2}{2})\frac{\partial \alpha_2}{\partial x} = \frac{f\beta_2 - gB_x}{2}, \\ \frac{\partial \beta_2}{\partial t} + (\alpha_2 + \gamma_2)\frac{\partial \beta_2}{\partial x} = -f(\alpha_2 + \gamma_2), \\ \frac{\partial \gamma_2}{\partial t} + (\frac{\alpha_2 + 3\gamma_2}{2})\frac{\partial \gamma_2}{\partial x} = \frac{f\beta_2 - gB_x}{2}. \end{cases}$$
(8)

Ming-Cheng Shiue the Primitive Equations

One Dimensional Linearized Shallow Water Equations

Subcritical flow
$$(u_0 - \sqrt{gh_0} < 0)$$



Figure 4:

Ming-Cheng Shiue the Primitive Equations

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One Dimensional Linearized Shallow Water Equations

Supercritical flow $(u_0 - \sqrt{gh_0} > 0)$



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Numerical schemes: semidiscrete central-upwind method

We rewrite the SWEs in conservative form as follows:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}U + \frac{\partial}{\partial x}F(U) = S(U, t, x), \tag{9}$$

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where

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} uh \\ vh \\ h \end{pmatrix}, F(U) = \begin{pmatrix} hu^2 + \frac{1}{2}gh^2 \\ uvh \\ uh \end{pmatrix}, S = \begin{pmatrix} fvh - gh\frac{\partial}{\partial x}B \\ -fuh \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
(10)

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Finite volume method:

$$\bar{U}_{j}(t) := \frac{1}{\Delta x} \int_{x_{j-\frac{1}{2}}}^{x_{j+\frac{1}{2}}} U(t,x) \, dx. \tag{11}$$

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Discretized system:

$$\frac{d}{dt}\bar{U}_{j}(t) + \frac{F(U(t,x_{j+\frac{1}{2}})) - F(U(t,x_{j-\frac{1}{2}}))}{\Delta x} = \frac{\int_{x_{j-\frac{1}{2}}}^{x_{j+\frac{1}{2}}} S(U(t,x),t,x)dx}{\Delta x}$$
(12)

Issues:

The approximation of the fluxes F(U)The approximation of the source terms S(U)

The approximation of the fluxes

The approximations of the fluxes F(U) at the points $x = x_{j\pm\frac{1}{2}}$ are given by

$$F(U(t, x_{j+\frac{1}{2}})) \approx F_{j+\frac{1}{2}}(t),$$
 (13)

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where

$$F_{j+\frac{1}{2}}(t) := \frac{a_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{+}F(U_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{-}) - a_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{-}F(U_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{+})}{a_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{+} - a_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{-}} + \frac{a_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{+}a_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{-}}{a_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{+} - a_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{-}} [U_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{+} - U_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{-}].$$
(14)
Here $U_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{+} := p_{j+1}(t, x_{j+\frac{1}{2}})$ and $U_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{-} := p_{j}(t, x_{j+\frac{1}{2}})$, where $p_{j}(t, x)$ are non-oscillatory linear polynomial reconstructions

$$p_j(t,x) = \bar{U}_j + s_m(t)(x-x_j),$$

where

$$s_m(t) := minmod(\theta \frac{\overline{U}_{j+1} - \overline{U}_j}{\Delta x}, \frac{\overline{U}_{j+1} - \overline{U}_{j-1}}{2\Delta x}, \theta \frac{\overline{U}_j - \overline{U}_{j-1}}{\Delta x}), \quad (15)$$
with

$$min(x_1, x_2, \cdots) := \begin{cases} min(x_i), \text{ if } x_i > 0 \ \forall i, \\ max(x_i), \text{ if } x_i < 0 \ \forall i, \\ 0, \text{ otherwise }, \end{cases}$$
(16)

and $\theta \in [1, 2]$. Finally, the one-sided local speeds of propagation $a_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{\pm}$ are given by

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$$a_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{+} := \max(\lambda_{\max}(\frac{\partial F}{\partial U}(U_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{+})), \lambda_{\max}(\frac{\partial F}{\partial U}(U_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{-})), 0),$$

$$a_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{-} := \min(\lambda_{\min}(\frac{\partial F}{\partial U}(U_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{+})), \lambda_{\min}(\frac{\partial F}{\partial U}(U_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{-})), 0),$$
(17)
where $\lambda_{\max}(\frac{\partial F}{\partial U}(\tilde{U}))$ and $\lambda_{\min}(\frac{\partial F}{\partial U}(\tilde{U}))$ are the largest and
mallest eigenvalues of the differential $\frac{\partial F}{\partial U}$ at the point $U = \tilde{U}$.

Using the midpoint rule for the spatial integral:

$$\frac{1}{\Delta x} \int_{x_{j-\frac{1}{2}}}^{x_{j+\frac{1}{2}}} S(U(t,x),t,x) dx \approx S(U(t,x_j),t,x_j).$$
(18)

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ODE system:

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$$\frac{d}{dt}\bar{U}_{j}(t) + \frac{F_{j+\frac{1}{2}}(t) - F_{j-\frac{1}{2}}(t)}{\Delta x} = S_{j}(t), \quad (19)$$

where

$$S_j(t) := S(U(t, x_j), t, x_j).$$

RK2 method:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{U_{j}^{*} - U_{j}^{n}}{\Delta t} = -\frac{F_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{n} - F_{j-\frac{1}{2}}^{n}}{\Delta x} + S_{j}^{n}, \\ \frac{U_{j}^{**} - U_{j}^{*}}{\Delta t} = -\frac{F_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{*} - F_{j-\frac{1}{2}}^{*}}{\Delta x} + S_{j}^{*}, \\ U_{j}^{n+1} = \frac{U_{j}^{n} + U_{j}^{**}}{2}. \end{cases}$$
(20)

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Nonlinear type of characteristic boundary conditions: For subcritical flows, x = 0,

$$\frac{\alpha_{2,1}^{n+1} - \alpha_{2,1}^n}{\Delta t} + \left(\frac{3\alpha_{2,1}^n + \gamma_{2,1}^n}{2}\right)\frac{\alpha_{2,2}^{n+1} - \alpha_{2,1}^{n+1}}{\Delta x} = \frac{f\beta_{2,1}^n - gB_{x,1}^n}{2}.$$
 (21)

For subcritical flows, x = L,

$$\frac{\beta_{2,M+1}^{n+1} - \beta_{2,M+1}^{n}}{\Delta t} + (\alpha_{2,M+1}^{n} + \gamma_{2,M+1}^{n}) \frac{\beta_{2,M+1}^{n+1} - \beta_{2,M}^{n+1}}{\Delta x} = -f(\alpha_{2,M+1}^{n} + \gamma_{2,M+1}^{n}),$$
(22)

and

$$\frac{\gamma_{2,M+1}^{n+1} - \gamma_{2,M+1}^{n}}{\Delta t} + (\frac{\alpha_{2,M+1}^{n} + 3\gamma_{2,M+1}^{n}}{2})\frac{\gamma_{2,M+1}^{n+1} - \gamma_{2,M}^{n+1}}{\Delta x} = \frac{f\beta_{2,M+1}^{n} - gB_{x,M+1}^{n}}{2}.$$
(23)

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For supercritical flows, x = L,

$$\frac{\alpha_{2,M+1}^{n+1} - \alpha_{2,M+1}^{n}}{\Delta t} + (u_{0} - \sqrt{gh_{0}}) \frac{\alpha_{2,M+1}^{n+1} - \alpha_{2,M}^{n+1}}{\Delta x} (24) + \left(\frac{3\alpha_{2,M+1}^{n} + \gamma_{2,M+1}^{n}}{4} - u_{0} + \frac{\sqrt{gh_{0}}}{2}\right) \frac{\alpha_{2,M+1}^{n} - \alpha_{2,M}^{n}}{\Delta x} + \left(\frac{\alpha_{2,M+1}^{n} - \gamma_{2,M+1}^{n}}{4} + \frac{\sqrt{gh_{0}}}{2}\right) \frac{\gamma_{2,M+1}^{n} - \gamma_{2,M}^{n}}{\Delta x} = f\beta_{2,M+1}^{n} - gB_{x,M+1}^{n},$$

along with (22) and (23).

Numerical examples:

Subcritical flows: Initial Conditions:

$$u(x,0) = u_0, v(x,0) = v_0, h(x,0) = \begin{cases} h_0 - B(x) + \epsilon h_0, & \text{if } \kappa \le x \le 2\kappa \\ h_0 - B(x), & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Here $u_0 = 0$ m/s , $v_0 = 0$ m/s , $h_0 = 10^4$ m and $\epsilon = 0.2$. The bottom topography consists of one hump,

$$B(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\delta}{2} + \frac{\delta}{2}\cos\left(\frac{\pi(x-\frac{L}{2})}{\kappa}\right), \text{ if } |x-\frac{L}{2}| \le \kappa, \\ 0, \text{ otherwise }, \end{cases}$$

where $\delta=5\times10^3$ m, $\kappa=L/10,$ and $L=10^6$ m.

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Subcritical Flows: nonlinear type boundary conditions

Simulation:



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Initial Conditions:

$$u(x,0) = u_0, v(x,0) = v_0, h(x,0) = h_0 - B(x).$$

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Supercritical Flows: nonlinear type boundary conditions

Simulation:



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The Model Equations

The 3D inviscid Primitive Equations :

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial \tilde{\mathbf{v}}}{\partial t} + (\tilde{\mathbf{v}} \cdot \nabla) \tilde{\mathbf{v}} + \tilde{w} \frac{\partial \tilde{\mathbf{v}}}{\partial z} + f_{k} \times \tilde{\mathbf{v}} + \frac{1}{\rho_{0}} \nabla \tilde{p} = 0, \text{ (Momentum equation)} \\ \frac{\partial \tilde{p}}{\partial z} = -\tilde{\rho}g, \text{ (Hydrostatic equation)} \\ \nabla \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{v}} + \frac{\partial \tilde{w}}{\partial z} = 0, \text{ (Continuity equation)} \\ \frac{\partial \tilde{T}}{\partial t} + (\tilde{\mathbf{v}} \cdot \nabla) \tilde{T} + \tilde{w} \frac{\partial \tilde{T}}{\partial z} = 0, \text{ (Thermodynamics equation)} \\ \tilde{\rho} = \rho_{0}(1 - \alpha(\tilde{T} - T_{0})). \text{ (Equation of states)} \end{cases}$$
(25)

$$\begin{split} \tilde{\mathbf{v}} &:= (\tilde{u}, \tilde{v}) \text{ the horizontal velocity} & \tilde{w} : \text{ the vertical velocity} \\ \tilde{\rho} &: \text{ the density} & \tilde{p} : \text{ the pressure} \\ \nabla &: \text{ the horizontal gradient operator} & \tilde{T} : \text{ the temperature} \end{split}$$

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Linearization around the simple uniform stratified flow

The domain under consideration is $\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{M}' \times (0, -L_3)$, where $\mathcal{M}' = (0, L_1) \times (0, L_2)$.

Linearization around the simple uniform stratified flow :

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where \overline{U}_0 , ρ_0 , and T_0 are positive constants and we introduce the Brunt–Väisälä (buoyancy) frequency

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System

We have the following equations for u, v, w, $\phi = p/\rho_0$, and $\psi = \phi_z = \alpha gT$:

$$\begin{cases}
u_{t} + \bar{U}_{0}u_{x} - fv + \phi_{x} + B(u, v, w; u) = 0, \\
v_{t} + \bar{U}_{0}v_{x} + fu + \phi_{y} + fu + B(u, v, w; v) + f\bar{U}_{0} = 0, \\
\phi_{z} = -\frac{\rho}{\rho_{0}}g = \psi, \\
u_{x} + v_{y} + w_{z} = 0, \\
\psi_{t} + \bar{U}_{0}\psi_{x} + N^{2}w + B(u, v, w; \psi) = 0,
\end{cases}$$
(26)

where

$$B(u, v, w; \theta) = u\theta_x + v\theta_y + w\theta_z$$
, for $\theta = u, v$, or ψ .

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From the third and fourth equations in (27), we find that the corresponding Sturm-Liouville problems are as follows:

$$\mathcal{U}^{''} + \lambda^2 \mathcal{U} = \mathbf{0}, \, \mathcal{W}^{''} + \lambda^2 \mathcal{W} = \mathbf{0},$$

with the following natural boundary conditions:

$$\mathcal{U}'(0) = \mathcal{U}'(-L_3) = 0, \ \mathcal{W}(0) = \mathcal{W}(-L_3) = 0.$$

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Normal Mode Expansion in z

We look for the general solutions of (26) in the form:

$$\begin{cases} (u, v, \phi) = \sum_{n \ge 0} \mathcal{U}_n(z)(u_n, v_n, \phi_n)(x, y, t), \\ (w, \psi) = \sum_{n \ge 1} \mathcal{W}_n(z)(w_n, \psi_n)(x, y, t). \end{cases}$$
(28)

where $U_n(z)$ and $W_n(z)$ are the eigenfunctions of the Sturm-Liouville problem associated with linearized equations of (26) and

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_n = \frac{n\pi}{L_3}, \\ \mathcal{W}_n(z) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{L_3}} \sin(\lambda_n z), \mathcal{U}_n(z) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{L_3}} \cos(\lambda_n z), n \ge 1, \\ \mathcal{U}_0(z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{L_3}}. \end{cases}$$

The barotropic mode

For n = 0, we find that

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u_{0}}{\partial t} + \bar{U}_{0} \frac{\partial u_{0}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \phi_{0}}{\partial x} - fv_{0} + \int_{-L_{3}}^{0} B(u, v, w; u) \mathcal{U}_{0}(z) dz = 0, \\ \frac{\partial v_{0}}{\partial t} + \bar{U}_{0} \frac{\partial v_{0}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \phi_{0}}{\partial y} + fu_{0} + \int_{-L_{3}}^{0} B(u, v, w; v) \mathcal{U}_{0}(z) dz \\ + f \bar{U}_{0} \sqrt{L_{3}} = 0, \\ \frac{\partial u_{0}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v_{0}}{\partial y} = 0, \\ \psi_{0} = w_{0} = 0, \end{cases}$$

$$(30)$$

The higher modes

For $n \ge 1$, we find that

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u_n}{\partial t} + \bar{U}_0 \frac{\partial u_n}{\partial x} - fv_n + \frac{\partial \phi_n}{\partial x} + \int_{-L_3}^0 B(u, v, w; u) \mathcal{U}_n(z) \, dz = 0, \\ \frac{\partial v_n}{\partial t} + \bar{U}_0 \frac{\partial v_n}{\partial x} + fu_n + \frac{\partial \phi_n}{\partial y} + \int_{-L_3}^0 B(u, v, w; v) \mathcal{U}_n(z) \, dz = 0, \\ \frac{\partial \psi_n}{\partial t} + \bar{U}_0 \frac{\partial \psi_n}{\partial x} + N^2 w_n + \int_{-L_3}^0 B(u, v, w; \psi) \mathcal{W}_n(z) \, dz = 0, \\ \phi_n = -\frac{1}{\lambda_n} \psi_n, \, w_n = -\frac{1}{\lambda_n} (\frac{\partial u_n}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v_n}{\partial y}). \end{cases}$$
(31)

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The linearized higher modes

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u_n}{\partial t} + \bar{U}_0 \frac{\partial u_n}{\partial x} - fv_n - \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \frac{\partial \psi_n}{\partial x} = 0, \\ \frac{\partial v_n}{\partial t} + \bar{U}_0 \frac{\partial v_n}{\partial x} + fu_n - \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \frac{\partial \psi_n}{\partial y} = 0, \\ \frac{\partial \psi_n}{\partial t} + \bar{U}_0 \frac{\partial \psi_n}{\partial x} - \frac{N^2}{\lambda_n} (\frac{\partial u_n}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v_n}{\partial y}) = 0. \end{cases}$$
(32)

We rewrite (32) in the matrix form as follows:

$$\frac{\partial U_n}{\partial t} + E_n \frac{\partial U_n}{\partial x} + F_n \frac{\partial U_n}{\partial y} = 0.$$
(33)

Here,

$$U_{n} = \begin{pmatrix} u_{n} \\ v_{n} \\ \psi_{n} \end{pmatrix}, E_{n} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{U}_{0} & 0 & \frac{-1}{\lambda_{n}} \\ 0 & \bar{U}_{0} & 0 \\ \frac{-N^{2}}{\lambda_{n}} & 0 & \bar{U}_{0} \end{pmatrix}, F_{n} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{-1}{\lambda_{n}} \\ 0 & \frac{-N^{2}}{\lambda_{n}} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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The linearized higher modes

The eigenvalues of the matrix E_n are

$$\bar{U}_0 - \frac{N}{\lambda_n}, \ \bar{U}_0, \ \bar{U}_0 + \frac{N}{\lambda_n}.$$

We define n_c as the positive integer satisfying the following relations:

$$\frac{n_c \pi}{L_3} < \frac{N}{\bar{U}_0} < \frac{(n_c + 1)\pi}{L_3}$$

The mode is subcritical if $1 \le n \le n_c$, The mode is supercritical if $n > n_c$.

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Boundary conditions for the zero mode

The matrix form for the zero mode is

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$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{v}_t + \bar{U}_0 \mathbf{v}_x + f\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{v} + \nabla \phi_0 + G_0 = 0, \\ \operatorname{div} \mathbf{v} = 0. \end{cases}$$
(35)

Here,

$$\mathbf{v} = (u_0, v_0)^T$$
 and
 $G_0 = \begin{pmatrix} \int_{-L_3}^0 B(u, v, w; u) \mathcal{U}_0(z) dz \\ \int_{-L_3}^0 B(u, v, w; v) \mathcal{U}_0(z) dz + f \bar{U}_0 \sqrt{L_3} \end{pmatrix},$ (36)

Boundary conditions for the zero mode

We propose the following boundary conditions:

$$\begin{cases} u_0 = 0, & \text{at } x = 0, \ L_1. \\ v_0 = 0, & \text{at } x = 0, \ \text{and } y = 0, \ L_2. \end{cases}$$
(37)



Figure 6: Boundary conditions for the zero mode

Remark 1

• The initial boundary problem is not classical.

Numerical schemes for the zero mode

Let $\Delta t = T/K$, $\mathbf{v}^k \approx \mathbf{v}(x, y, k\Delta t)$, and $\mathbf{v}^{k+\frac{1}{2}}$ represents an intermediate value between \mathbf{v}^k and \mathbf{v}^{k+1} , etc. First Step:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\mathbf{v}^{k+\frac{1}{2}} - \mathbf{v}^{k}}{\Delta t} + \bar{U}_{0}\mathbf{v}_{x}^{k+\frac{1}{2}} + f\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{v}^{k} + \nabla\phi_{0}^{k} + G_{0}^{k} = 0, \\ \mathbf{v}^{k+\frac{1}{2}}|_{x=0} = 0, \end{cases}$$
(38)

Here

$$G_0^k = \left(\begin{array}{c} \int_{-L_3}^0 B(u^k, v^k, w^k; u^k) \mathcal{U}_0(z) \, dz\\ \int_{-L_3}^0 B(u^k, v^k, w^k; v^k) \mathcal{U}_0(z) \, dz + f \bar{U}_0 \sqrt{L_3} \end{array}\right), \quad (39)$$

Second Step: (projection method)

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\mathbf{v}^{k+1} - \mathbf{v}^{k+\frac{1}{2}}}{\Delta t} + \nabla(\phi_0^{k+1} - \phi_0^k) = 0, \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}^{k+1} = 0, \\ \mathbf{v}^{k+1} \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0 \text{ on } \partial \mathcal{M}'. \end{cases}$$
(40)

From the Second Step, we can find ϕ_0^{k+1} by solving the Neumann problem

$$\begin{cases} \triangle \phi_0^{k+1} = \triangle \phi_0^k + \frac{\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}^{k+\frac{1}{2}}}{\Delta t}, \\ \nabla \phi_0^{k+1} \cdot \mathbf{n} = \frac{\mathbf{v}^{k+\frac{1}{2}}}{\Delta t}, \quad \partial \mathcal{M}'. \end{cases}$$
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and imposing the compatibility condition

$$\int_{\mathcal{M}'}\phi_0^{k+1}dx\,dy\,=0.$$

Given the mesh size $\mathbf{h} = (\Delta x, \Delta y)$, we have the following stability result:

Lemma 1

(Chen-Shiue-Temam-10) If Δt and $S(\mathbf{h})$ satisfy the conditions

$$\Delta t \, S^4(\mathbf{h}) \leq rac{1}{c_1^2 K_4}, \quad \Delta t \leq rac{1}{8}, \text{ where } S^2(\mathbf{h}) = rac{1}{(\Delta x)^2} + rac{1}{(\Delta y)^2},$$
(42)

then, for $0 \le n \le N_T$, we have

$$|\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{h}}^{n}|_{\mathbf{h}}^{2} \leq K_{4}, \quad (\Delta t)^{3} \sum_{k=1}^{N_{T}} |\nabla_{\mathbf{h}} \phi_{\mathbf{h}}^{k}|_{\mathbf{h}}^{2} \leq K_{4}.$$
(43)

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The subcritical and supercritical modes

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Here,

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(45)

and

$$G_{n} = \begin{pmatrix} -fv_{n} + \int_{-H}^{0} B(u, v, w; u) \mathcal{U}_{n}(z) dz \\ fu_{n} + \int_{-H}^{0} B(u, v, w; v) \mathcal{U}_{n}(z) dz \\ \int_{-H}^{0} B(u, v, w; \psi) \mathcal{W}_{n}(z) dz \end{pmatrix}.$$
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Change variables:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \xi_n \\ v_n \\ \eta_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u_n - \frac{\psi_n}{N} \\ v_n \\ u_n + \frac{\psi_n}{N} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} u_n \\ \alpha_n \\ \beta_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u_n \\ v_n + \frac{\psi_n}{N} \\ v_n - \frac{\psi_n}{N} \end{pmatrix}.$$
 (47)

Boundary Conditions for the subcritical modes

Boundary conditions for the subcritical modes:

$$\begin{cases} \xi_n(0, y, t) = 0, \\ v_n(0, y, t) = 0, \\ \eta_n(L_1, y, t) = 0. \end{cases} \begin{cases} \alpha_n(x, L_2, t) = 0, \\ \beta_n(x, 0, t) = 0. \end{cases}$$
(48)



Figure 7: Boundary conditions for the subcritical modes

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Boundary conditions for the supercritical modes

Boundary conditions for the supercritical modes:

$$\begin{cases} \xi_n(0, y, t) = 0, \\ v_n(0, y, t) = 0, \\ \eta_n(0, y, t) = 0. \end{cases} \begin{cases} \alpha_n(x, L_2, t) = 0, \\ \beta_n(x, 0, t) = 0. \end{cases}$$
(49)



Figure 8: Boundary conditions for the supercritical modes

Well-posedness issues for the subcritical and supercritical modes

Remark 2

- The boundary conditions (48) and (49) are different from those proposed in RTT08.
- The well-posedness of the linearized equations will be studied elsewhere.

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Numerical Schemes for the subcritical modes

Splitting method: The First Step:

$$\frac{U_n^{k+\frac{1}{2}} - U_n^k}{\Delta t} + E_n \frac{\partial U_n^{k+\frac{1}{2}}}{\partial x} + G_n^k = 0.$$
 (50)

The Second Step:

$$\frac{U_n^{k+1} - U_n^{k+\frac{1}{2}}}{\Delta t} + F_n \frac{\partial U_n^{k+1}}{\partial y} = 0.$$
 (51)

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Remark 3

• This is a partly implicit scheme.

Numerical scheme for the subcritical modes

The First Step:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\xi_{n,i,j}^{k+\frac{1}{2}} - \xi_{n,i,j}^{k}}{\Delta t} + (\bar{U}_{0} + \frac{N}{\lambda_{n}}) \frac{\xi_{n,i,j}^{k+\frac{1}{2}} - \xi_{n,i-1,j}^{k+\frac{1}{2}}}{\Delta x} = S_{n,i,j}^{k,1}, i = 2, \cdots, l+1, \\ \frac{v_{n,i,j}^{k+\frac{1}{2}} - v_{n,i,j}^{k}}{\Delta t} + \bar{U}_{0} \frac{v_{n,i,j}^{k+\frac{1}{2}} - v_{n,i-1,j}^{k+\frac{1}{2}}}{\Delta x} = S_{n,i,j}^{k,2}, i = 2, \cdots, l+1, \\ \frac{\eta_{n,i,j}^{k+\frac{1}{2}} - \eta_{n,i,j}^{k}}{\Delta t} + (\bar{U}_{0} - \frac{N}{\lambda_{n}}) \frac{\eta_{n,i+1,j}^{k+\frac{1}{2}} - \eta_{n,i,j}^{k+\frac{1}{2}}}{\Delta x} = S_{n,i,j}^{k,3}, i = 1, \cdots, l, \\ \text{and } j = 1, \cdots, J+1 \text{ in all cases,} \end{cases}$$
(52)

where

$$S_{n,i,j}^{k,1}, S_{n,i,j}^{k,2}$$
 and $S_{n,i,j}^{k,2}$ are nonlinear terms.

Numerical scheme for the subcritical modes

The boundary conditions for $\xi_n^{k+\frac{1}{2}}$, $v_n^{k+\frac{1}{2}}$ and $\eta_n^{k+\frac{1}{2}}$ are

$$\xi_{n,0,j}^{k+\frac{1}{2}} = 0, \quad v_{n,0,j}^{k+\frac{1}{2}} = 0, \quad \eta_{n,l,j}^{k+\frac{1}{2}} = 0, \text{ for } 0 \le j \le J,$$
 (53)
The Second Step

$$\begin{cases} \frac{u_{n,i,j}^{k+1} - u_{n,i,j}^{k+\frac{1}{2}}}{\Delta t} = 0, \\ \frac{\alpha_{n,i,j}^{k+1} - \alpha_{n,i,j}^{k+\frac{1}{2}}}{\Delta t} - \frac{N}{\lambda_n} \frac{\alpha_{n,i,j+1}^{k+1} - \alpha_{n,i,j}^{k+1}}{\Delta y} = 0, \\ \frac{\beta_{n,i,j}^{k+1} - \beta_{n,i,j}^{k+\frac{1}{2}}}{\Delta t} + \frac{N}{\lambda_n} \frac{\beta_{n,i,j}^{k+1} - \beta_{n,i,j-1}^{k+1}}{\Delta y} = 0 \end{cases}$$
(54)

The boundary conditions for α_n^{k+1} , β_n^{k+1} are

$$\begin{cases} \alpha_{n,l,j}^{k+1} = 0, & \text{for } 0 \le j \le J, \\ \beta_{n,i,0}^{k+1} = 0, & \text{for } 0 \le i \le I. \end{cases}$$
(55)

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Numerical schemes for the supercritical modes

Splitting method: The First Step:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\xi_{n,i,j}^{k+\frac{1}{2}} - \xi_{n,i,j}^{k}}{\Delta t} + (\bar{U}_{0} + \frac{N}{\lambda_{n}}) \frac{\xi_{n,i,j}^{k+\frac{1}{2}} - \xi_{n,i-1,j}^{k+\frac{1}{2}}}{\Delta x} = S_{n,i,j}^{k,1}, i = 2, \cdots, l+1, \\ \frac{V_{n,i,j}^{k+\frac{1}{2}} - V_{n,i,j}^{k}}{\Delta t} + \bar{U}_{0} \frac{V_{n,i,j}^{k+\frac{1}{2}} - V_{n,i-1,j}^{k+\frac{1}{2}}}{\Delta x} = S_{n,i,j}^{k,2}, i = 2, \cdots, l+1, \\ \frac{\eta_{n,i,j}^{k+\frac{1}{2}} - \eta_{n,i,j}^{k}}{\Delta t} + (\bar{U}_{0} - \frac{N}{\lambda_{n}}) \frac{\eta_{n,i,j}^{k+\frac{1}{2}} - \eta_{n,i-1,j}^{k+\frac{1}{2}}}{\Delta x} = S_{n,i,j}^{k,3}, i = 1, \cdots, l, \\ \text{and } i = 1, \cdots, J+1 \text{ in all cases }, \end{cases}$$
(56)

The boundary conditions for $\xi_n^{k+\frac{1}{2}}$, $v_n^{k+\frac{1}{2}}$ and $\eta_n^{k+\frac{1}{2}}$ are, for $0 \le j \le J$,

$$\xi_{n,0,j}^{k+\frac{1}{2}} = 0, \quad v_{n,0,j}^{k+\frac{1}{2}} = 0, \quad \eta_{n,0,j}^{k+\frac{1}{2}} = 0.$$
 (57)

Numerical schemes for the supercritical modes

The second Step:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{u_{n,i,j}^{k+1} - u_{n,i,j}^{k+\frac{1}{2}}}{\Delta t} = 0, \\ \frac{\alpha_{n,i,j}^{k+1} - \alpha_{n,i,j}^{k+\frac{1}{2}}}{\Delta t} - \frac{N}{\lambda_n} \frac{\alpha_{n,i,j+1}^{k+1} - \alpha_{n,i,j}^{k+1}}{\Delta y} = 0, \\ \frac{\beta_{n,i,j}^{k+1} - \beta_{n,i,j}^{k+\frac{1}{2}}}{\Delta t} + \frac{N}{\lambda_n} \frac{\beta_{n,i,j}^{k+1} - \beta_{n,i,j-1}^{k+1}}{\Delta y} = 0 \end{cases}$$
(58)

The boundary conditions for α_n^{k+1} , β_n^{k+1} are

$$\begin{cases}
\alpha_{n,l,j}^{k+1} = 0, & \text{for } 0 \le j \le J, \\
\beta_{n,i,0}^{k+1} = 0, & \text{for } 0 \le i \le I.
\end{cases}$$
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In our study, we only need to consider a small number of modes (\leq 10), and it is then appropriate to transform these integrals into the sums of the Fourier coefficients.

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Numerical Simulations in a nested domain

Consider two domains as follows: The larger domain:

$$\mathcal{M}=(0,L_1)\times(0,L_2)\times(-L_3,0)$$

The middle-half domain:

$$\mathcal{M}_1 = (L_1/4, 3L_1/4) \times (L_2/4, 3L_2/4) \times (-L_3, 0)$$



Figure 9: The larger domain \mathcal{M} and the middle half domain \mathcal{M}_1 .

Numerical simulations in a nested domain

Strategies:

- 1. Given the initial and boundary conditions, we perform simulations on the larger domain.
- 2. We perform simulations on the middle-half domain using the initial and boundary conditions provided from Step 1.
- 3. We consider the data from Step 1 as the true solution, compare these two data from Step 1 and Step 2 in the middle-half domain and compute relative errors.

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In the simulation, the initial conditions are given by these scalar functions:

$$\begin{cases} u(x, y, z, 0) = \frac{x}{L_{1}} \frac{2\pi}{L_{2}} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{L_{1}}\right) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi y}{L_{2}}\right) + \sin\left(\frac{4\pi x}{L_{1}}\right) \cos\left(\frac{4\pi y}{L_{2}}\right) \\ \cos\left(\frac{\pi z}{H}\right), \\ v(x, y, z, 0) = \frac{-1}{L_{1}} \left(\sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{L_{1}}\right) + \frac{2\pi x}{L_{1}} \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{L_{1}}\right) \right) \sin\left(\frac{2\pi y}{L_{2}}\right) \\ + \frac{L_{2}}{L_{1}} \left(\sin^{2}\left(\frac{4\pi x}{L_{1}}\right) + \sin\left(\frac{4\pi x}{L_{1}}\right) \sin\left(\frac{4\pi y}{L_{2}}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\pi z}{H}\right) \right), \\ w(x, y, z, 0) = \frac{-4H}{L_{1}} (\sin\left(\frac{4\pi x}{L_{1}}\right) + \cos\left(\frac{4\pi x}{L_{1}}\right)) \cos\left(\frac{4\pi y}{L_{2}}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\pi z}{H}\right), \\ \phi(x, y, z, 0) = \bar{U}_{0} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{L_{1}}\right) \sin\left(\frac{2\pi y}{L_{2}}\right) (\cos\left(\frac{\pi z}{H}\right) - \cos\left(\frac{2\pi z}{H}\right)), \\ \psi(x, y, z, 0) = \frac{\pi \bar{U}_{0}}{H} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{L_{1}}\right) \sin\left(\frac{2\pi y}{L_{2}}\right) (2\sin\left(\frac{2\pi z}{H}\right) - \sin\left(\frac{\pi z}{H}\right)). \end{cases}$$
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Figure 10: Initial conditions for velocity field

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Figure 11: Initial conditions for ϕ

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Figure 12: Initial conditions for ψ

Numerical simulations in the larger domain

Boundary conditions: homogeneous conditions for the *zero mode*,

$$\begin{cases} u_0(0, y, t) = 0, & u_0(L_1, y, t) = 0, \\ v_0(0, y, t) = 0, & v_0(x, 0, t) = 0, & v_0(x, L_2, t) = 0; \end{cases}$$
(61)

for the *subcritical modes*, i.e. when $1 \le n < n_c$,

$$\begin{cases} \xi_n(0, y, t) = 0, \quad v_n(0, y, t) = 0, \quad \eta_n(L_1, y, t) = 0, \\ \alpha_n(x, L_2, t) = 0, \quad \beta_n(x, 0, t) = 0; \end{cases}$$
(62)

and for the *supercritical modes*, i.e. when $n > n_c$,

$$\begin{cases} \xi_n(0, y, t) = 0, & v_n(0, y, t) = 0, & \eta_n(0, y, t) = 0, \\ \alpha_n(x, L_2, t) = 0, & \beta_n(x, 0, t) = 0. \end{cases}$$
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The physical parameters:

 $L_1 = 10^3 \, \mathrm{km}$ The length of the domain in x – direction The length of the domain in y – direction $L_2 = 500 \text{ km},$ The length of the domain in z – direction $L_3 = 10 \text{ km}$, $\bar{U}_0 = 20 \text{m/s},$ The constant reference velocity $f = 10^{-4}$. The Coriolis parameter $N = 10^{-2}$. The Brunt–Väisälä (buoyancy) frequency $T = 5 \times 10^4 \, {\rm s}$. The final time $N_{max} = 5.$ The number of modes

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The numerical parameters:

The number of time steps $N_T = 1600$ The number of mesh grids in x $N_x = 400$ The number of mesh grids in y $N_y = 200$ The number of mesh grids in z $N_z = 40$

Numerical Experiments in the larger domain



Figure 13: Numerical results for velocity field

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Figure 14: Numerical results for ϕ

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Figure 15: Numerical results for ψ

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Numerical simulations in the middle-half domain

Boundary conditions: for the *zero mode*,

$$\begin{cases} u_0(L_1/4, y_j, t_k) = u_0^l(L_1/4, y_j, t_k), \\ u_0(3L_1/4, y_j, t_k) = u_0^l(3L_1/4, y_j, t_k), \\ v_0(L_1/4, y_j, t_k) = v_0^l(L_1/4, y_j, t_k), \\ v_0(x_i, L_2/4, t_k) = v_0^l(x_i, L_2/4, t_k), \\ v_0(x_i, 3L_2/4, t_k) = v_0^l(x_i, 3L_2/4, t_k). \end{cases}$$
(64)

for the *subcritical modes*, i.e. when $1 \le n < n_c$,

$$\begin{cases} \xi_n(L_1/4, y_j, t_k) = \xi_n^l(L_1/4, y_j, t_k), \\ v_n(L_1/4, y_j, t_k) = v_n^l(L_1/4, y_j, t_k), \\ \eta_n(3L_1/4, y_j, t_k) = \eta_n^l(3L_1/4, y_j, t_k), \\ \alpha_n(x_i, 3L_2/4, t_k) = \alpha_n^l(x_i, 3L_2/4, t_k), \\ \beta_n(x_i, L_2/4, t_k) = \beta_n^l(x_i, L_2/4, t_k), \end{cases}$$
(65)

and for the *supercritical modes*, i.e. when $n > n_c$,

$$\begin{cases} \xi_n(L_1/4, y_j, t_k) = \xi_n^l(L_1/4, y_j, t_k), \\ v_n(L_1/4, y_j, t_k) = v_n^l(L_1/4, y_j, t_k), \\ \eta_n(L_1/4, y_j, t_k) = \eta_n^l(L_1/4, y_j, t_k), \\ \alpha_n(x_i, 3L_2/4, t_k) = \alpha_n^l(x_i, 3L_2/4, t_k), \\ \beta_n(x_i, L_2/4, t_k) = \beta_n^l(x_i, L_2/4, t_k). \end{cases}$$
(66)

The numerical parameters:

The number of time steps $N_T = 1600$,The number of mesh grids in x $N_x = 200$,The number of mesh grids in y $N_y = 100$,The number of mesh grids in z $N_z = 40$.

Numerical Experiments in the middle-half domain



Figure 16: Numerical results for velocity field

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Numerical Experiments in the middle-half domain



Figure 17: Numerical results for ϕ

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Figure 18: Numerical results for ψ



Figure 19: Top row: evolution of the solution u in the L^2 and L^{∞} norms. Bottom row: evolution of the relative errors for u in the L^2 and L^{∞} norms.



Figure 20: Top row: evolution of the solution v in the L^2 and L^{∞} norms. Bottom row: evolution of the relative errors for v in the L^2 and L^{∞} norms.



Figure 21: Top row: evolution of the solution *w* in the L^2 and L^{∞} norms. Bottom row: evolution of the relative errors for *w* in the L^2 and L^{∞} norms.



Figure 22: Top row: evolution of the solution ψ in the L^2 and L^{∞} norms. Bottom row: evolution of the relative errors for ψ in the L^2 and L^{∞} norms.



Figure 23: Top row: evolution of the solution ϕ in L^2 and L^{∞} norms. Bottom row: evolution of the relative errors for ϕ in L^2 and L^{∞} norms.



Figure 24: mean divergence

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Summary:

- A new set of nonlocal boundary conditions has been implemented.
- We numerically verify that the proposed boundary conditions, proven suitable for the linearized equations, are also suitable for the nonlinear case.
- We numerically verify the transparency property of the proposed boundary conditions.

Thank you !!

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