MULTISCALE FLOW SIMULATIONS OF TSUNAMI RUNUP WITH LOCALLY-PERIODIC STRUCTURAL OBSTACLES

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We present a method of multiscale flow simulations of tsunami runup with locally-periodic structural obstacles such as a tide-prevention grove. The flow properties for upper-scale simulations of tsunami runup behavior are characterized by lower-scale flow simulations with structural obstacles that are arranged in a locally periodic manner. The latter analysis, which resembles homogenization-type process^[1], can be regarded as the numerical fluids experiments for three-dimensional local domains, while the former analysis reflects the effect of the obstacles as resistance at global-scale. We employ the stabilized finite element method [2] for both local and global numerical analyses to solve the incompressible Navier-Stokes equation and apply the VOF method to represent free surfaces. The first step of the proposed multiscale analysis is to carry out the flow simulations of the local-scale domain with leaves and branches to derive the resistance properties of a tree for the middle-scale flow. The second step would be the evaluation of the effect of a tide-prevention grove against the tsunami runup by conducting the middle-scale flow simulations with the resistance by leaves and branches. With the fluid properties at hand, the final step is to perform the global-scale flow analysis of the tsunami runup in a wide region to estimate the flood area.

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