

1 **THEORETICAL AND NUMERICAL STUDY OF THE**
2 **CONVERGENCE OF LUENBERGER OBSERVERS FOR A**
3 **LINEARIZED WATER WAVE MODEL**

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5 **Abstract.** This paper investigates the convergence properties of Luenberger observers applied
6 to a linearized water wave model. The study is motivated by the challenge of estimating wave
7 dynamics when only partial free surface measurements are available. We identify fundamental ob-
8 structions to convergence, showing that the classical Luenberger observer fails to achieve full-state
9 reconstruction due to challenges associated with mean-value modes and high-frequency components.
10 To overcome these limitations, we introduce modified observer schemes that incorporate frequency
11 filtering and projection techniques. Our theoretical results are reinforced by numerical experiments
12 that demonstrate the practical effectiveness of these observer-based estimation methods for water
13 waves.

14 **Key words.** Linearized water wave equation, Luenberger observer, numerical simulations.

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16 **1. Introduction.** The study of water waves has long been a cornerstone of
17 fluid mechanics, with broad applications in oceanography, naval engineering, and
18 coastal management. These wave dynamics are governed by the water wave equations
19 (WWE), derived from the incompressible Euler equations, which describe the free
20 surface’s evolution and the underlying fluid’s velocity potential. However, to simplify
21 the complex non-linearity of these equations, the linearized water wave equations
22 (LWWE) are often employed. These equations, while capturing essential physical
23 properties, allow for more tractable analytical and numerical investigations. They
24 form the basis for the observer convergence analysis explored in this paper.

25 Recent research in the literature on fluid mechanics engineering science has fo-
26 cused on estimation and control techniques for wave systems, particularly in scenarios
27 where direct measurements of the full state of the system are unavailable or imprac-
28 tical [9, 7, 10]. Luenberger observers, initially designed for linear systems, have been
29 adapted to a range of complex applications, including fluid dynamics. The primary
30 objective of our paper is to examine from the mathematical point of view the conver-
31 gence properties of Luenberger observers when applied to the linearized water wave
32 model, with partial data from the free surface (data coming from the whole surface
33 have been studied in [36]). Although the existing literature offers a variety of meth-
34 ods for controlling and stabilizing water waves, there is a gap regarding the rigorous
35 convergence analysis of such observers in the context of the LWWE with partial ob-
36 servation of the water surface.

37 Several works have investigated control and stabilization methods for water waves.
38 Gagnon et al. [14] presented a Fredholm-type backstepping transformation to achieve
39 rapid stabilization of the so-called capillary-gravity linearized water waves model,
40 using spectral properties and controllability assumptions. We also refer to the con-
41 tribution of Alazard et al. [1], who provided insights into the stabilization of water
42 waves using pressure disturbances applied to the free surface. Further contributions
43 in the field of stabilization include Su et al. [33], who investigated the stabilization of
44 small-amplitude water waves using boundary controls. Note that the problem studied

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45 in this paper has similarities to that of damped wave equations. We refer to [31] for
 46 a comprehensive review of this problem.

47 While previous studies have concentrated on stabilization and controllability for
 48 both linear and non-linear water wave models, our work provides a novel approach by
 49 focusing specifically on the convergence of Luenberger observers in a linearized set-
 50 ting. The contribution of this paper is twofold. First, we establish some obstructions
 51 for the convergence of Luenberger observers applied to the LWWE, together with
 52 sufficient conditions to recover some “partial” and quantitative convergence results,
 53 leveraging spectral methods and operator theory. Related works are [15, 4], where
 54 the authors also study Luenberger observers or back and forth nudging algorithms
 55 for infinite-dimensional linear systems that are not fully reconstructible, as in the
 56 present situation. However, the results given in these articles do not apply in our
 57 context. Second, we validate these theoretical results through numerical simulations,
 58 demonstrating the practical applicability of observer-based estimation in water-wave
 59 systems.

60 This paper is organized as follows. Section 2 introduces the linearized water wave
 61 model. Section 3 sets the functional setting for our analysis. Section 4 delves into
 62 the main non-convergence results (Proposition 4.1 and Proposition 4.3) for the most
 63 natural Luenberger observer if we consider initial conditions in the natural energy
 64 space, or in a space of initial conditions with zero mean value. Section 5 aims to
 65 understand how to restore some partial and quantitative convergence theorems by
 66 changing the Luenberger observer (Theorem 5.1 and Theorem 5.2). Lastly, section 6
 67 validates the theoretical analysis through numerical experiments and discusses the
 68 broader implications for observer design in fluid systems.

69 **2. The linearized water waves equation.** This paper focuses on linearized
 70 water waves (LWWE) equations. These equations are derived from a master model,
 71 that of water waves (WWE), itself derived from the incompressible Euler equations.
 72 These derivations can be found in [11] or [23]. Our geometric setting is summarized
 73 in Figure 2.1. We place ourselves in a domain Ω that describes the body of our fluid:

$$74 \quad \Omega = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid -d \leq y \leq \eta(t, x)\}.$$

75 The two main functions of interest are: $\psi(t, x, y)$ the velocity potential, at points
 76 (x, y) and time t and $\eta(t, x)$, the free surface elevation at point x and time t . $-d$ is
 77 a flat bottom. As described in [11] or [23] for water waves with a horizontal bottom
 78 and as described in [6] if we add the periodicity, ψ is harmonic in space:

$$79 \quad (2.1) \quad \Delta\psi(t, x, y) = 0, \quad (x, y) \in \Omega, \quad t \in [0, +\infty).$$

80 Moreover, ψ is subject to the following boundary conditions:

$$81 \quad (2.2) \quad \begin{aligned} \partial_y\psi(t, x, y) &= 0, & \text{on } y = -d, \\ \partial_t\psi(t, x, y) &= -g\eta(t, x), & \text{on } y = 0, \\ \partial_t\eta(t, x) &= \partial_y\psi(t, x, y), & \text{on } y = 0, \\ \psi(t, x, y) &= \psi(x + L, y, t), & (t, x, y) \text{ in } [0, +\infty) \times \Omega. \end{aligned}$$

82 The first boundary condition is referred to as the *bottom boundary condition*
 83 (*BBC*), the second as the *dynamic free surface boundary condition* (*DFSBC*), the
 84 third as the *kinematic free surface boundary condition* (*KFSBC*), and the last as

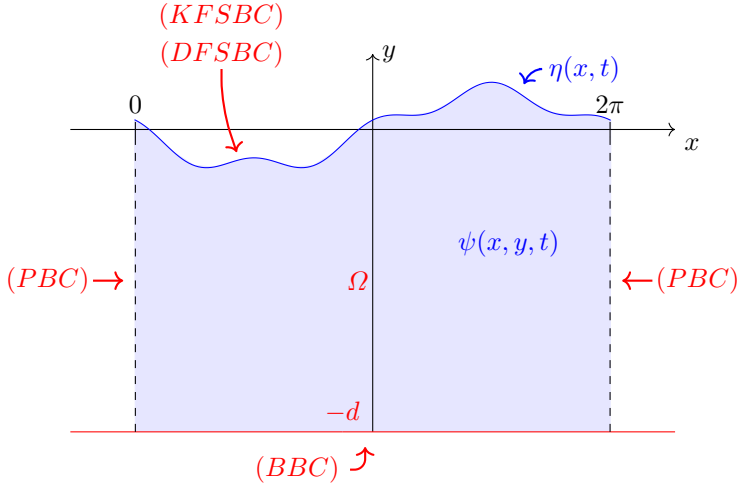


FIGURE 2.1. Boundary problem for periodic water waves with flat bottom.

85 the *periodic boundary condition* (PBC). Readers are again referred to [6], [23] or [11,
 86 Section 2.3] to see how the linearization around the rest state $y = 0$ of the Bernoulli
 87 equation leads to those conditions. Moreover, for computation simplification, we
 88 consider here x being on the torus $\mathbb{T} = \mathbb{R}/2\pi\mathbb{Z}$, *i.e.* choosing $L = 2\pi$. Under all these
 89 assumptions and after applying the boundary conditions, it is shown [11, 2.3] that
 90 the velocity potential $\psi(t, x, y)$ can be expressed simply at the surface as a function
 91 $\phi(t, x) = \psi(x, 0, t)$, and reconstructed throughout the whole domain Ω . This results
 92 in the following system of equations which is now on variables ϕ and η , respectively
 93 the velocity potential at the surface and the free surface displacement:

$$94 \quad (2.3) \quad \begin{cases} \partial_t \phi(t, x) & = -g\eta(t, x), \\ \partial_t \eta(t, x) & = \mathcal{G}(\phi(t, x)), \quad (t, x) \in [0, +\infty) \times \mathbb{T}, \\ \phi(0, x) = \phi^0(x), \quad \eta(0, x) & = \eta^0(x), \end{cases}$$

95 where the operator \mathcal{G} can be seen as a Dirichlet-to-Neumann map that does the
 96 link between the velocity potential throughout the whole domain ψ , and the velocity
 97 potential at the surface ϕ . This operator is such that $\mathcal{G} : \phi \mapsto \partial_y \psi(t, x, y)|_{y=0}$.
 98 Therefore, following [11, Section 2.3], the operator \mathcal{G} is in Fourier space

$$99 \quad (2.4) \quad \mathcal{F}[\mathcal{G}(\phi)](n) = |n| \tanh(d|n|) \mathcal{F}[\phi](n), \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

100 where $\mathcal{F}[\cdot]$ is the Fourier transform on \mathbb{T} . Due to (2.4), it is easy to obtain that
 101 functions of the form:

$$102 \quad (2.5) \quad (\phi, \eta)^t = (\phi_0 e^{i(nx - \omega_n t)}, \eta_0 e^{i(nx - \omega_n t)})^t$$

103 with ω_n the angular frequency, are solutions of (2.3), provided that

$$104 \quad (2.6) \quad i\omega_n \phi_0 = g\eta_0,$$

105 and the following (dispersion) relation holds:

$$106 \quad (2.7) \quad (\omega_n)^2 = g|n| \tanh(d|n|).$$

107 **3. Functional setting.** Let us give now some appropriate functional setting.
 108 Let us introduce the spaces

$$\begin{aligned}
 109 \quad L_p^2 &= L^2(\mathbb{T}) = \left\{ f = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f_n e^{inx} \text{ such that } \|f\|_{L_p^2}^2 := \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} |f_n|^2 < +\infty \right\}, \\
 110 \\
 111 \quad H_p^{1/2} &= \left\{ f = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f_n e^{inx} \in L_p^2 \text{ such that } \|f\|_{H_p^{1/2}}^2 := |f_0|^2 + \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^*} |n| |f_n|^2 < +\infty \right\}, \\
 112 \\
 113 \quad H_p^1 &= \left\{ f = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f_n e^{inx} \in L_p^2 \text{ such that } \|f\|_{H_p^1}^2 := |f_0|^2 + \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^*} n^2 |f_n|^2 < +\infty \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

114 Each of these spaces is endowed with the scalar product naturally associated to the
 115 norm appearing in the definition. With these scalar products, they are Hilbert spaces.
 116 Remark that, notably, by the Plancherel Theorem,

$$117 \quad (3.1) \quad \|f\|_{L_p^2}^2 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\mathbb{T}} |f|^2, \forall f \in L_p^2.$$

118 Thanks to (2.4), the operator \mathcal{G} can be expressed as follows:

$$119 \quad (3.2) \quad \forall f = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f_n e^{inx} \in H_p^1, \quad \mathcal{G}f(x) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^*} |n| \tanh(d|n|) f_n e^{inx} \quad (\in L_p^2).$$

120 Now, consider the operator A defined as:

$$121 \quad (3.3) \quad A := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -gI \\ \mathcal{G} & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

122 with state space $H = H_p^{1/2} \times L_p^2$ and domain $D(A) = H_p^1 \times H_p^{1/2}$, endowed respectively
 123 with the hilbertian norms (for which they are Hilbert spaces)

$$124 \quad \|(f, g)\|_H^2 = \|f\|_{H_p^{1/2}}^2 + \|g\|_{L_p^2}^2, \quad \|(f, g)\|_{D(A)}^2 = \|f\|_{H_p^1}^2 + \|g\|_{H_p^{1/2}}^2.$$

125 In this setting, the linearized water waves equations for periodic waves with an hori-
 126 zontal bottom given in (2.3) can be written as:

$$127 \quad (3.4) \quad \begin{cases} \partial_t y(t, x) &= Ay(t, x), \\ y(0, x) &= y_0(x), \end{cases} \quad (t, x) \in [0, +\infty) \times \mathbb{T},$$

128 where $y = (\phi, \eta)^t$ and $y^0 = (\phi^0, \eta^0)^t$.

129 **3.1. Spectral analysis of \mathcal{G} and A .** With the expression (3.2), it is easy
 130 to see that the distinct eigenvalues of the self-adjoint operator \mathcal{G} are given by the
 131 eigenvalue 0 (associated to the constant eigenfunction 1), and by the eigenvalues
 132 $\mu_k = |k| \tanh(d|k|)$, $k \in \mathbb{N}^*$, which are of multiplicity 2, with the associated orthogo-
 133 nal basis of eigenfunctions given by e^{ikx} and e^{-ikx} .

134 Contrarily to many usual situations, let us emphasize that 0 is an eigenvalue of
 135 A , so that A is not a positive definite operator, but only a semi-definite operator.
 136 Hence, the usual theory to pass from first-order to second-order operators (see *e.g.*
 137 [34, Section 6.8]) cannot be applied, and notably, A is *not* a skew-adjoint operator.

138 This will be an additional difficulty, taking into account that many results in the
 139 literature of Luenberger observers (or stabilization) are restricted to this case (see
 140 notably various results in [24, 15, 4, 5]).

141 However, it is quite easy to discover that A is “almost” skew-adjoint and to derive
 142 an appropriate spectral decomposition. The distinct eigenvalues of A are given by the
 143 two families

$$144 \quad \lambda_k^+ = i\sqrt{g\mu_k} = i\sqrt{gk \tanh(dk)}, \quad \lambda_k^- = -i\sqrt{g\mu_k} = -i\sqrt{gk \tanh(dk)}, \quad k \in \mathbb{N}^*,$$

145 each different eigenvalue being of algebraic and geometric multiplicity 2, together
 146 with the eigenvalue 0, which is of algebraic multiplicity 2 and geometric multiplicity
 147 1 (which means that we have a generalized eigenfunction associated to the eigenvalue
 148 0). For $|n| = k$ with $k \neq 0$, a basis of orthonormal eigenfunctions associated to the
 149 corresponding eigenspace is given by

$$150 \quad (3.5) \quad \nu_n^+ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2|n|g}} \begin{pmatrix} i\sqrt{g}e^{inx} \\ \sqrt{|n|}e^{inx} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \nu_n^- = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2|n|g}} \begin{pmatrix} -i\sqrt{g}e^{inx} \\ \sqrt{|n|}e^{inx} \end{pmatrix}.$$

151 A normalized eigenfunction associated to 0 is given by

$$152 \quad (3.6) \quad \nu_0^+ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

153 and an (orthogonal) generalized and normalized eigenfunction is given by

$$154 \quad (3.7) \quad \nu_0^- = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

155 The family of usual and generalized eigenfunctions forms a Hilbert basis in L_p^2 .

156 **3.2. Well-posedness and conserved quantities.** Let us introduce some addi-
 157 tional notations, that will be useful for proving well-posedness of (2.3). We introduce

$$158 \quad L_{p,0}^2 = \left\{ f \in L_p^2 \text{ such that } \int_{\mathbb{T}} f = 0 \right\} = \left\{ \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f_n e^{inx} \in L_p^2 \text{ such that } f_0 = 0 \right\},$$

$$159 \quad H_{p,0}^{1/2} = \left\{ f = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^*} f_n e^{inx} \in L_{p,0}^2 \text{ such that } \|f\|_{H_{p,0}^{1/2}}^2 := \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^*} |n| |f_n|^2 < +\infty \right\},$$

$$160 \quad H_{p,0}^1 = \left\{ f = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f_n e^{inx} \in L_{p,0}^2 \text{ such that } \|f\|_{H_{p,0}^1}^2 := \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^*} n^2 |f_n|^2 < +\infty \right\}.$$

163 These spaces are endowed with the natural scalar product and norms induced by their
 164 definitions, that we denote respectively by $\|\cdot\|_{L_{p,0}^2}, \|\cdot\|_{H_{p,0}^{1/2}}, \|\cdot\|_{H_{p,0}^1}$ (notice that we can
 165 extend these norms as semi-norms respectively on $L_p^2, H_p^{1/2}, H_p^1$, which corresponds
 166 to forgetting the mode 0, *i.e.* the mean, of the functions under study, and that these
 167 norms are nothing else than the restrictions of the norms $\|\cdot\|_{L_p^2}, \|\cdot\|_{H_p^{1/2}}, \|\cdot\|_{H_p^1}$ on
 168 $L_{p,0}^2, H_{p,0}^{1/2}, H_{p,0}^1$).

169 Following the proof of [36, Theorem 1], we obtain that A , with domain

$$170 \quad \mathcal{D}_0(A) = H_{p,0}^1 \times H_{p,0}^{1/2},$$

171 is the generator of a C^0 -semigroup of operators on $H_0 := H_{p,0}^{1/2} \times L_{p,0}^2$ endowed with
 172 the natural scalar product, so that for any $(\phi^0, \eta^0) \in H_0$, there exists a unique solution
 173 $(\phi, \eta) \in C^0([0, +\infty), H_0)$ (We are exactly in the setting of [36], in this case). Moreover,
 174 it is easy to check that in the space H_0 , $D_0(A^*) = D_0(A)$ and $A^* = -A$, so that A is
 175 in fact a generator of a C^0 -group of operators on H_0 .

176 Our next goal is now to understand how to obtain a well-posedness result on the
 177 whole state space H . This is the purpose of the following proposition.

178 **PROPOSITION 3.1.** *A is the generator of a C^0 -group of operators on H , so that*
 179 *for any $(\phi^0, \eta^0) \in H$, there exists a unique solution $(\phi, \eta) \in C^0([0, +\infty), H)$ to (2.3).*

180 *Proof.* We write $H_p^{1/2} \times L_p^2 = H_0 \oplus_{\perp} E_0$, where H_0 is in fact the closure of
 181 the nonzero eigenspaces of A and E_0 is the generalized eigenspace associated to 0.
 182 Associated with this decomposition, we have a natural decomposition of $A = A_0 + A_1$,
 183 where

$$184 \quad A_{0|H_0} = A, \quad A_{0|E_0} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad A_{1|H_0} = 0, \quad A_{1|E_0} = A.$$

185 Hence, by the previous discussion, it is clear that A_0 is the generator of a strongly
 186 continuous semigroup on H . Moreover, A_1 is clearly a bounded operator, since E_0
 187 is a finite-dimensional space. We deduce (see *e.g.* [34, Theorem 2.11.2]) that A
 188 is indeed the generator of a C^0 -semigroup of operators on H . Moreover, the same
 189 analysis applies if we replace A by $-A$ (because A_0 is skew-adjoint, so $-A_0$ is also
 190 the generator of a strongly continuous semigroup on H , and $-A_1$ is still bounded),
 191 so $-A$ is also the generator of a strongly continuous semigroup on H . We deduce by
 192 applying [34, Proposition 2.7.8] that A is the generator of a strongly continuous group
 193 on H . \square

194 For a solution $y = (\phi, \eta)$ of (3.4), we introduce the following energy

$$195 \quad (3.8) \quad E(y, t) = \frac{1}{2} \left(g \int_{\mathbb{T}} (\eta(t, x))^2 dx + \int_{\mathbb{T}} (\sqrt{\mathcal{G}}\phi(t, x))^2 dx \right).$$

196 Differentiating formally this expression, using (3.4), and the fact that \mathcal{G} is selfadjoint,
 197 we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} E(y, t) &= g \int_{\mathbb{T}} \eta(t, x) \partial_t \eta(t, x) dx + \int_{\mathbb{T}} \sqrt{\mathcal{G}}\phi(t, x) \partial_t (\sqrt{\mathcal{G}}\phi)(t, x) dx \\ &= g \int_{\mathbb{T}} \eta(t, x) \mathcal{G}\phi(t, x) dx + \int_{\mathbb{T}} \sqrt{\mathcal{G}}\phi(t, x) \sqrt{\mathcal{G}}(\partial_t \phi)(t, x) dx \\ 198 \quad &= g \int_{\mathbb{T}} \eta(t, x) \mathcal{G}\phi(t, x) dx + \int_{\mathbb{T}} \mathcal{G}\phi(t, x) (\partial_t \phi)(t, x) dx \\ &= g \int_{\mathbb{T}} \eta(t, x) \mathcal{G}\phi(t, x) dx + \int_{\mathbb{T}} \mathcal{G}\phi(t, x) (-g\eta(t, x)) dx \\ &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

199 so that $E(y, t)$ is conserved:

$$200 \quad (3.9) \quad E(y(t, x)) = \frac{1}{2} \left(g \int_{\mathbb{T}} (\eta^0)^2 + \int_{\mathbb{T}} (\mathcal{G}\phi^0)^2 \right).$$

201 These computations can be made rigorous by taking initial conditions in $D(A)$ and
 202 using an easy density argument.

203 Let us give some invariant quantities that are inherent to (3.4). By the definition
 204 of \mathcal{G} given in (3.2), for any $f \in H^{1/2}(\mathbb{T})$, we have $\int_{\mathbb{T}} \mathcal{G}f = 0$. Notably, using the second
 205 equation of (3.4) and integrating in space on \mathbb{T} , formally, any solution (ϕ, η) is such
 206 that

$$207 \quad \partial_t \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} \eta(t, \cdot) \right) = \int_{\mathbb{T}} \mathcal{G}\phi(t, \cdot) = 0,$$

208 so that $\int_{\mathbb{T}} \eta(t, \cdot)$ remains constant over time:

$$209 \quad (3.10) \quad \forall t \geq 0, \int_{\mathbb{T}} \eta(t, \cdot) = \int_{\mathbb{T}} \eta^0.$$

210 Hence, the first equation of (3.4) integrated in space on \mathbb{T} also gives that

$$211 \quad \partial_t \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} \phi(t, \cdot) \right) = -g \int_{\mathbb{T}} \eta^0,$$

212 so that

$$213 \quad (3.11) \quad \forall t \geq 0, \int_{\mathbb{T}} \phi(t, \cdot) = \int_{\mathbb{T}} \phi^0 - gt \int_{\mathbb{T}} \eta^0.$$

214 These quantities are perfectly known as soon as the initial conditions are known.
 215 Conversely, knowing the mean value of ϕ and η at any time $t \geq 0$ is enough to recover
 216 the zero mode of η^0 and ϕ^0 . Hence, if we assume that for some extra reason, we are
 217 able to reconstruct or guess what are the mean value of $\eta(t, \cdot)$ and $\phi(t, \cdot)$, then, it is
 218 possible to reconstruct the first mode of η^0 and ϕ^0 . Here also, these computations
 219 can be made rigorous by taking initial conditions in $D(A)$ and using an easy density
 220 argument.

221 The core idea of this paper is that, unlike in [36], we place ourselves in a setting
 222 where we only get a partial measurement of the surface $\eta(t, x)$: $y(t, x) = \mathbf{1}_{\omega}(x)\eta(t, x)$,
 223 where ω is an open subset of \mathbb{T} that is distinct from \mathbb{T} . However, contrarily to the
 224 result given in [36], this partial measurement is not enough to reconstruct the solution
 225 of (3.4), as it is proved later on, and we need to find another strategy to recover at
 226 least low frequencies different from 0. The first Luenberger-like observer we will study
 227 is the following natural one:

$$228 \quad (3.12) \quad \begin{cases} \partial_t \hat{\phi}(t, x) &= -g\hat{\eta}(t, x), \\ \partial_t \hat{\eta}(t, x) &= \mathcal{G}\hat{\phi}(t, x) - \gamma \mathbf{1}_{\omega}(x)(\eta(t, x) - \hat{\eta}(t, x)), \\ \hat{\phi}(0, x) &= \hat{\phi}^0(x), \quad \hat{\eta}(0, x) = \hat{\eta}^0(x), \end{cases}$$

229 where $\gamma > 0$ the correction gain, and $(\hat{\phi}, \hat{\eta})^T$ the observer trajectory of the state
 230 $(\phi, \eta)^T$.

231 Then, $(\phi_{er}, \eta_{er}) := (\phi - \hat{\phi}, \eta - \hat{\eta})$ is solution to

$$232 \quad (3.13) \quad \begin{cases} \partial_t \phi_{er}(t, x) &= -g\eta_{er}(t, x), \\ \partial_t \eta_{er}(t, x) &= \mathcal{G}\phi_{er}(t, x) - \gamma (\mathbf{1}_{\omega}(x)\eta_{er}(t, x)), \\ \phi_{er}(0, x) &= \phi_{er}^0(x), \quad \eta_{er}(0, x) = \eta_{er}^0(x), \end{cases}$$

233 where $\phi_{er}^0(x) = \phi^0(x) - \hat{\phi}^0(x)$ and $\eta_{er}^0(x) = \eta^0(x) - \hat{\eta}^0(x)$.

234 To conclude, let us introduce the control and feedback operators. We consider
 235 the control space U to be the same as the state space H . They are respectively given
 236 by

$$237 \quad (3.14) \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1_\omega \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{L}_c(H) \text{ and } K = \gamma I_d \in \mathcal{L}_c(H),$$

238 so that (3.13) can be also abstractly written as

$$239 \quad (3.15) \quad \begin{cases} \partial_t \begin{pmatrix} \phi_{er}(t, x) \\ \eta_{er}(t, x) \end{pmatrix} &= (A - BK) \begin{pmatrix} \phi_{er}(t, x) \\ \eta_{er}(t, x) \end{pmatrix}, \\ \begin{pmatrix} \phi_{er}(0, x) \\ \eta_{er}(0, x) \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} \phi_{er}^0(x) \\ \eta_{er}^0(x) \end{pmatrix}. \end{cases}$$

240 4. Non-reconstruction results for the localized Luenberger observer on 241 the whole state space.

242 **4.1. Obstruction coming from the mean value.** Let us prove the following
 243 easy fact.

244 **PROPOSITION 4.1.** (3.13) is not asymptotically stable: there exists $y_0 \in H$ such
 245 that the corresponding solution y to (3.13) does not verify $\|y(t)\|_H \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow +\infty$.

246 *Proof.* This is just a question of remarking that ν_0^+ defined in (3.6) is still an
 247 eigenfunction of the operator $A - BK$, associated to the eigenvalue 0. Indeed, we
 248 have

$$249 \quad (A - BK)\nu_0^+ = A\nu_0^+ - \gamma B\nu_0^+ = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

250 Hence, the corresponding solution to (3.13) is constant in time and given by

$$251 \quad (\phi_{er}(t, x), \eta_{er}(t, x)) = \nu_0^+.$$

252 Hence, for such a solution, $\|y(t)\|_H$ is a non-zero constant and cannot go to 0 as
 253 $t \rightarrow +\infty$. \square

254 According to Proposition 4.1, it is tempting to try to stabilize all frequencies
 255 except the 0 one, corresponding to the mean value.

256 **4.2. Obstruction coming from the high frequencies for the original Lu-
 257 enberger observer.** A key point in order to prove that the Luenberger observer
 258 does not converge exponentially even if we do not wish to reconstruct the mean value
 259 is the following result, which might be of independent interest.

260 **LEMMA 4.2.** Let \mathcal{H} and \mathcal{U} be two Hilbert spaces. Assume that \mathcal{A} is the generator
 261 of a C^0 -group of operators on \mathcal{H} , and that $\mathcal{B} \in \mathcal{L}_c(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{H})$. Assume that $\mathcal{P} \in \mathcal{L}_c(\mathcal{H})$ is
 262 a projection on the closed subspace $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{H})$, and that \mathcal{P} commutes with \mathcal{A} . Let us
 263 introduce the growth bound of $-\mathcal{A}$, given by

$$264 \quad (4.1) \quad \omega_0(-\mathcal{A}) := \lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} t^{-1} \log (\|e^{-t\mathcal{A}}\|).$$

265 Assume that there exists $\mathcal{K} \in \mathcal{L}_c(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{U})$, $C > 0$ and $\lambda > \omega_0(-\mathcal{A})$ such that for any
 266 $y^0 \in \mathcal{F}$, the solution to the abstract linear feedback system

$$267 \quad (4.2) \quad \begin{cases} y' &= \mathcal{A}y + \mathcal{B}\mathcal{K}y, \\ y(0) &= y^0 \end{cases}$$

268 verifies

$$269 \quad (4.3) \quad \forall t \geq 0, \|\mathcal{P}y(t)\|_H \leq Ce^{-\lambda t}\|y^0\|_H.$$

270 Then, there exists $T > 0$ such that for any $y^0 \in \mathcal{F}$, there exists $u \in L^2((0, T), \mathcal{U})$ such
271 that the solution y to the control system

$$272 \quad (4.4) \quad \begin{cases} y' &= \mathcal{A}y + \mathcal{B}u, \\ y(0) &= y^0 \end{cases}$$

273 verifies $\mathcal{P}(y(T)) = 0$.

274 *Proof.* Our proof is inspired by [24, Theorem 2.4]. Assume that (4.3) holds. Let
275 $T > 0$ and

$$276 \quad (4.5) \quad J(T) = \mathcal{P}e^{-T\mathcal{A}}e^{T(\mathcal{A}+\mathcal{BK})} \in \mathcal{L}_c(\mathcal{F}),$$

277 Where \mathcal{F} is endowed with the norm on \mathcal{H} . Moreover, since \mathcal{P} commutes with \mathcal{A} ,

$$278 \quad (4.6) \quad \|J(T)\| \leq \|e^{-T\mathcal{A}}\| \|\mathcal{P}e^{T(\mathcal{A}+\mathcal{BK})}\|.$$

279 (4.3) gives that as an operator from \mathcal{F} to \mathcal{F} endowed with the norm of \mathcal{H} , we have

$$280 \quad \|\mathcal{P}e^{T(\mathcal{A}+\mathcal{BK})}\| \leq Ce^{-\lambda T}.$$

281 Hence, the above inequality combined with (4.6) (remind that $\lambda > \omega_0(-\mathcal{A})$) ensures
282 that $\|J(T)\| < 1$ for T large enough. Hence, setting $J = J(T)$ for such a fixed T , we
283 have that $I - J$ is invertible and $(I - J)^{-1} \in \mathcal{L}_c(\mathcal{F})$.

284 Now, let $y^0 \in \mathcal{F}$. For $t \in [0, T]$, we set

$$285 \quad z_1(t) = e^{t(\mathcal{A}+\mathcal{BK})}(I - J)^{-1}y_0 \in H, \quad z_2(t) = e^{t\mathcal{A}}(I - (I - J)^{-1})y_0 \in H.$$

286 Seeing $(I - J)^{-1}y_0$ and $(I - (I - J)^{-1})y_0$ as elements of \mathcal{H} and using a perturbation
287 property of semigroups (see [28, Section 3.1, Formula (1.2)], we have

$$288 \quad (4.7) \quad y(t) := z_1(t) + z_2(t) = e^{t\mathcal{A}}y_0 + \int_0^t e^{(t-s)\mathcal{A}}\mathcal{BK}z_1(s)ds.$$

289 Clearly, $y(0) = y^0$. Moreover, from the expression of J given in (4.5), together with
290 the fact that \mathcal{P} and \mathcal{A} commute, we deduce that

$$291 \quad \mathcal{P}e^{T(\mathcal{A}+\mathcal{BK})} = e^{T\mathcal{A}}J.$$

292 Using that $y_0 \in \mathcal{F} = \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{H})$, that \mathcal{P} and \mathcal{A} commute, and that \mathcal{P} is a projection
293 on \mathcal{F} , (so that $\mathcal{P}((I - J)^{-1})y_0 = ((I - J)^{-1})y_0$), we obtain

$$294 \quad \begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}(y(T)) &= \mathcal{P}\left(e^{T(\mathcal{A}+\mathcal{BK})}(I - J)^{-1}y_0\right) + \mathcal{P}\left(e^{T\mathcal{A}}(I - (I - J)^{-1})y_0\right) \\ &= e^{T\mathcal{A}}\left(J(I - J)^{-1} + (I - (I - J)^{-1})\right)y_0 \\ &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

295 whence the result by taking as a control

$$296 \quad u(t) = \mathcal{K}z_1(t) \in L^2((0, T), \mathcal{U}), \quad \square$$

297 using (4.7) and the Duhamel formula.

298 Applying the previous proposition gives the following negative result.

299 PROPOSITION 4.3. (3.13) is not exponentially stable with respect to the semi-norm
 300 $\|\cdot\|_{H_{p,0}^{1/2}} \times \|\cdot\|_{L_{p,0}^2}$.

301 *Proof.* We reason by contradiction. We assume that for any $(\phi_{er}^0, \eta_{er}^0)$, the solution
 302 (ϕ_{er}, η_{er}) to (3.12) converges exponentially to 0 in the $\|\cdot\|_{H_{p,0}^{1/2}} \times \|\cdot\|_{L_{p,0}^2}$ semi-norm
 303 as $t \rightarrow +\infty$.

304 We can apply Lemma 4.2 with $\mathcal{A} = A$ (which is of growth bound 0), $\mathcal{B} = B$,
 305 $\mathcal{K} = K$ and \mathcal{P} is the orthogonal projection on $\mathcal{F} = H_0 = H_{p,0}^{1/2} \times L_{p,0}^2$, which commutes
 306 with A (see the beginning of the proof of Proposition 4.1). We deduce that there exists
 307 $T > 0$ for which for any $(\phi^0, \eta^0) \in H_{p,0}^{1/2} \times L_{p,0}^2$, there exists $v \in L^2((0, T), \mathbb{T})$ such
 308 that the solution (ϕ, η) to

$$309 \quad (4.8) \quad \begin{cases} \partial_t \phi(t, x) & = -g\eta(t, x), \\ \partial_t \eta(t, x) & = \mathcal{G}\phi(t, x) + \mathbf{1}_\omega(x)v(t, x), \\ \phi(0, x) = \phi^0(x), \quad \eta(0, x) & = \eta^0(x), \end{cases}$$

310 is such that $\mathcal{P}(\phi(T, \cdot), \eta(T, \cdot)) = 0$. Since $\mathcal{F}^\perp = E_0$ (the generalized eigenspace asso-
 311 ciated to 0), this implies that both $\phi(T, \cdot)$ and $\eta(T, \cdot)$ are constants.

312 Now, we introduce

$$313 \quad u = \frac{i}{\sqrt{g}} \sqrt{\mathcal{G}} \phi + \eta.$$

314 Then, using (4.8), u solves

$$315 \quad \begin{cases} \partial_t u & = -i\sqrt{g}\sqrt{\mathcal{G}}u + \mathbf{1}_\omega v, \\ u(0, x) & = \frac{i}{\sqrt{g}} \sqrt{\mathcal{G}} \phi^0(x) + \eta^0(x) \in L_{p,0}^2(\mathbb{T}). \end{cases}$$

316 Clearly,

$$317 \quad (\phi^0, \xi^0) \in H_{p,0}^{\frac{1}{2}} \times L_{p,0}^2 \mapsto \frac{i}{\sqrt{g}} \sqrt{\mathcal{G}} \phi^0(x) + \eta^0(x) \in L_{p,0}^2(\mathbb{T})$$

318 is onto. We deduce that for any $u^0 \in L_{p,0}^2$, there exists

$$319 \quad (\phi^0, \xi^0) \in H^{\frac{1}{2}}(\mathbb{T})_{p,0} \times L_{p,0}^2$$

320 such that

$$321 \quad u^0(x) = \frac{i}{\sqrt{g}} \sqrt{\mathcal{G}} \phi^0(x) + \eta^0(x).$$

322 For such ϕ^0, ξ^0 , there exists $v \in L^2((0, T) \times \mathbb{T})$ such that the solution (ϕ, η) to (4.8)
 323 is such that $\phi(T, \cdot)$ and $\eta(T, \cdot)$ are constants. Hence, posing u as above, we deduce
 324 that the solution u of

$$325 \quad (4.9) \quad \begin{cases} \partial_t u & = -i\sqrt{g}\sqrt{\mathcal{G}}u + \mathbf{1}_\omega v, \\ u(0, x) & = u^0(x), \end{cases}$$

326 verifies that $u(T, \cdot)$ is a constant.

327 Let us prove that we are in the setting of [21, Proposition 27], that enables to
 328 recover (under certain conditions) a full controllability result from a ‘‘partial’’ one, of

329 the form as set out above. Let us locally use the notations of this article, for the sake
 330 of clarity.

331 We set $H = L_p^2$, that is indeed a complex Hilbert space for the natural scalar
 332 product. We set $U = L_p^2$, $U_T = U = L^2((0, T), L_p^2)$. It verifies the “extension by 0
 333 property”: if $w \in U_T$, $a, b > 0$, then the function \tilde{w} defined by $\tilde{w}(t) = 0$ for $0 < t < a$,
 334 $\tilde{w}(t) = w(t - a)$ for $a < t < T + a$, and $\tilde{w}(t) = 0$ for $T + a < t < T + a + b$ is in
 335 $L^2((0, T + a + b), L_p^2)$.

336 We also set $A = -i\sqrt{g}\sqrt{\mathcal{G}}$, which is an unbounded operator with domain $H_p^{\frac{1}{2}}$,
 337 $\mathcal{F} = \text{span}(1)$ (which is finite-dimensional and stable by e^{tA}), $\mathcal{S} = L_{p,0}^2 = \text{span}(1)^{\perp 1}$
 338 (which is closed and finite codimensional), and $B = \mathbf{1}_\omega$. We have just proved that
 339 for any $u^0 \in \mathcal{S}$, there exists $w \in U_T$ such that the solution u of (4.9) verifies that
 340 $u(T, \cdot) \in \mathcal{F}$.

341 Moreover, A is diagonalizable and its eigenfunctions are the family of the complex
 342 exponentials $\{e^{inx}\}_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$, which is well-known to be a linearly independent family on
 343 any open subset of \mathbb{T} . Hence, since $B^* = \mathbf{1}_\omega$, we indeed have by [21, Remark 28] that
 344 for any for any every finite linear combination of generalized eigenfunctions g_0 of A^* , we
 345 have $B^* e^{tA^*} g_0 = 0$ on $(0, \varepsilon)$ for any $\varepsilon > 0$ implies that $g_0 = 0$.

346 Hence, we can apply [21, Proposition 27] and obtain the null controllability of
 347 (4.8) on the whole state space $L_p^2(\mathbb{T})$ at any time $T' > T$.

348 However, this turns out to be false. Indeed, using the formalism of [20], we can
 349 write

$$350 \quad i\sqrt{g}\sqrt{\mathcal{G}} = \rho \left(\sqrt{-\Delta} \right),$$

351 with

$$352 \quad \rho(x) = i\sqrt{g}\sqrt{x \tanh(x)}.$$

353 Remark that ρ is holomorphic on \mathbb{C}^* and continuous on \mathbb{C} , and that $\rho(z) = o(z)$ as
 354 $z \rightarrow \infty$. Then, we can apply [20, Theorem 1.4] to obtain that (4.9) is not controllable
 355 in $L_p^2(\mathbb{T})$, whence the desired result by contradiction. \square

356 **5. Modifying the state space and the Luenberger observer.** As we have
 357 seen, we cannot have exponential stability of (3.13) because of two obstructions, one
 358 coming from the mean values and one coming from the high frequencies. Let us give
 359 two remedies to these problems.

360 **5.1. State space of initial conditions with null mean value: polynomial**
 361 **decay.** Let us restrict our state space to the set of initial conditions with null mean
 362 values, *i.e.* we take as a state space H_0 . Remark that it is not very convenient to look
 363 at (3.12) with initial state H_0 . Indeed, if we are looking at (3.13), we observe that
 364 H_0 is not stable by the semigroup generated by the operator appearing in (3.13): if
 365 we start with initial conditions in H_0 , then, in general, the term $\mathbf{1}_\omega \eta_{er}$ do not have
 366 mean value zero. One natural remedy is to “force” in some sense this property by
 367 projecting again on H_0 . We call Π_{H_0} the orthogonal projection in H on the closed
 368 subspace H_0 . According to the previous discussion, we first propose a new Luenberger
 369 observer leading to the system

$$370 \quad (5.1) \quad \begin{cases} \partial_t \hat{\phi}(t, x) &= -g \hat{\eta}(t, x), \\ \partial_t \hat{\eta}(t, x) &= \mathcal{G} \hat{\phi}(t, x) - \gamma \Pi_{H_0} \mathbf{1}_\omega(x) (\eta(t, x) - \hat{\eta}(t, x)), \\ \hat{\phi}(0, x) &= \hat{\phi}^0(x), \quad \hat{\eta}(0, x) = \hat{\eta}^0(x), \end{cases}$$

¹We modified the notation \mathcal{G} in [21, Proposition 27] into \mathcal{S} , to avoid confusions with the operator
 \mathcal{G}

371 where $(\hat{\phi}^0(x), \hat{\eta}^0(x)) \in H_0$. If $(\phi^0(x), \eta^0(x)) \in H_0$ and (ϕ, η) is the corresponding
 372 solution to (3.4), then, $(\phi_{er}, \eta_{er}) := (\phi - \hat{\phi}, \eta - \hat{\eta})$ is solution to

$$373 \quad (5.2) \quad \begin{cases} \partial_t \phi_{er}(t, x) &= -g \eta_{er}(t, x), \\ \partial_t \eta_{er}(t, x) &= \mathcal{G} \phi_{er}(t, x) - \gamma \Pi_{H_0} (\mathbf{1}_\omega(x) \eta_{er}(t, x)), \\ \phi_{er}(0, x) &= \phi_{er}^0(x), \quad \eta_{er}(0, x) = \eta_{er}^0(x), \end{cases}$$

374 where $\phi_{er}^0(x) = \phi^0(x) - \hat{\phi}^0(x)$ and $\eta_{er}^0(x) = \eta^0(x) - \hat{\eta}^0(x)$ are in H_0 . For later
 375 purpose, we need to put our the control under the form of a collocated control. An
 376 explicit computations shows that $\gamma \Pi_{H_0} \mathbf{1}_\omega$ is a selfadjoint and non-negative operator
 377 on H_0 . Hence, by functional calculus, it admits a unique square root denoted by
 378 $\tilde{B} = \sqrt{\gamma \Pi_{H_0} \mathbf{1}_\omega}$, which is also selfadjoint. Hence, this system can be rewritten in an
 379 abstract way as

$$380 \quad (5.3) \quad \begin{cases} \partial_t \begin{pmatrix} \phi_{er}(t, x) \\ \eta_{er}(t, x) \end{pmatrix} &= (\mathcal{A} - \tilde{B} \tilde{B}^*) \begin{pmatrix} \phi_{er}(t, x) \\ \eta_{er}(t, x) \end{pmatrix}, \\ \begin{pmatrix} \phi_{er}(0, x) \\ \eta_{er}(0, x) \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} \phi_{er}^0(x) \\ \eta_{er}^0(x) \end{pmatrix}. \end{cases}$$

381 Moreover, remind that we already remarked that \mathcal{A} is the generator of a C^0 -
 382 group on H_0 and that on H_0 , \mathcal{A} is skew-adjoint. Here, the high frequencies are still a
 383 problem, as shown in the next Proposition.

384 PROPOSITION 5.1. (5.3) is not exponentially stable with respect to the $\|\cdot\|_{H_{p,0}^{1/2}} \times$
 385 $\|\cdot\|_{L_{p,0}^2}$ -norm.

386 *Proof.* The proof is similar to the one of Proposition 4.3, but a little bit simpler.
 387 We reason by contradiction and we assume that (5.3) is exponentially stable. Since \mathcal{A}
 388 is now skew-adjoint on H_0 , one can apply [24, Theorem 2.3] (by seeing $\tilde{B} \tilde{B}^* = \Pi_{H_0} \mathbf{1}_\omega$
 389 as a control and Id as a feedback operator) and deduce that (5.3) is exactly controllable
 390 at some time $T > 0$. Following the proof of Proposition 4.3, we reason by contradiction
 391 and we obtain that

$$392 \quad (5.4) \quad \begin{cases} \partial_t u &= -i\sqrt{g}\sqrt{\mathcal{G}}u + \mathbf{1}_\omega v, \\ u(0, x) &= u^0(x) \end{cases}$$

393 is null controllable in the state space $L_{p,0}^2$ at some time $T > 0$. By duality (see
 394 e.g. [Theorem 11.2.1]TW), this means that there exists $C > 0$ such that for any $\varphi^0 \in$
 395 $L_{p,0}^2$, we have

$$396 \quad (5.5) \quad \|\varphi(T, \cdot)\|_{L^2}^2 \leq \int_0^T \int_\omega |\varphi(t, x)|^2 dx dt,$$

397 where φ is the solution of the adjoint problem

$$398 \quad \begin{cases} \partial_t \varphi &= -i\sqrt{g}\sqrt{\mathcal{G}}\varphi, \\ \varphi(0, x) &= \varphi^0(x). \end{cases}$$

399 It turns out that (5.5) is false. Indeed, the counterexample provided in [20, Proof
 400 of Theorem 1.4, Page 3145] is the periodization of a family of functions $(g_h)_{h \in (0,1)}$,

401 defined on \mathbb{R} , that are compactly supported in the Fourier variable, with support away
 402 from $\xi = 0$. Notably, all the g_h are of mean 0 and are in L_p^2 , so they lie in $L_{p,0}^2$ and
 403 furnish a counterexample for (5.5). \square

404 However, even if one cannot expect exponential stabilization, we still have the
 405 following result.

406 **THEOREM 5.1.** (5.3) is asymptotically stable with respect to the $\|\cdot\|_{H_{p,0}^{1/2}} \times \|\cdot\|_{L_{p,0}^2}$ -
 407 norm, in the sense that the solution of (5.3) converges strongly to 0 as $t \rightarrow +\infty$.
 408 Moreover, (5.3) enjoys the following polynomial decay: there exists $C > 0$ such that
 409 for any $(\phi_{er}^0, \eta_{er}^0) \in D_0(A)$, the corresponding solution of (5.3) verifies

$$410 \quad (5.6) \quad \|(\phi_{er}(t, \cdot), \eta_{er}(t, \cdot))\|_{H_0} \leq \frac{C}{\sqrt{1+t}} \|(\phi_{er}^0, \eta_{er}^0)\|_{D_0(A)}, \quad t \geq 0.$$

411 **REMARK 5.2.** Remind that (5.6) cannot hold if we replace $\|(\phi_{er}^0, \eta_{er}^0)\|_{D_0(A)}$ by
 412 $\|(\phi_{er}^0, \eta_{er}^0)\|_{H_0}$ in the right-hand side, because of [13, Proposition V.1.7] (which asserts
 413 that in this case, (5.3) would be exponentially stable).

414 *Proof.* We would like to prove that [32, Theorem 3.6] applies. Here, $A^* = -A$ has
 415 compact resolvents, and the feedback is under the form $-\tilde{B}\tilde{B}^*$ (see (5.3)), which is
 416 exactly the form of the feedback constructed in [32, Theorem 3.6] (since it relies on [32,
 417 Theorems 3.3, 3.4, 3.5]). Moreover, what is called “complete controllability” in [32]
 418 is exactly what is called *approximate observability in infinite time* in [34, Definition
 419 6.5.1]. Applying [34, Proposition 6.9.1], we deduce that approximate observability in
 420 infinite time holds as soon as the Fattorini-Hautus test holds: there does not exist
 421 any eigenfunction φ of the operator \mathcal{A}^* such that $\tilde{B}^*\varphi = 0$, which is equivalent to
 422 $\tilde{B}\tilde{B}^*\varphi = 0$. Reason by contradiction. For such an eigenfunction $\varphi(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \phi(x) \\ \eta(x) \end{pmatrix}$ of
 423 $A^* = -A$ associated to an eigenvalue $\lambda \neq 0$, $\tilde{B}^*\varphi = 0$ is therefore equivalent to: for
 424 every $x \in \omega$, we have $\eta(x) = 0$. In view of the eigenfunctions given in (3.5), η is
 425 a linear combination of at most two distinct complex exponentials, that are well-
 426 known to form a linearly independent family on any interval (and so on ω), we deduce
 427 that $\eta(x) = 0, \forall x \in \mathbb{T}$. In view of the expression of \mathcal{A} , the fact that $\mathcal{A}\varphi = \lambda\varphi$ notably
 428 gives (by looking at the first component) that $-g\eta = \lambda\phi$. Since $\lambda \neq 0$, we also obtain
 429 that $\phi(x) = 0, \forall x \in \mathbb{T}$, which concludes the proof of the asymptotic stabilisation result
 430 by applying [32, Theorem 3.6].

431 Let us now explain how to prove (5.6). Our idea is to apply [5, Theorem 3.9]. In
 432 order to apply this Theorem, our first goal is to estimate

$$433 \quad s\|\tilde{D}^*((1+is)^2 + \mathcal{G}_{-1})^{-1}\tilde{D}\|, \quad s \in \mathbb{R}^+,$$

434 where $\tilde{D} = \tilde{D}^* = \sqrt{\gamma \Pi_{H_0} \mathbf{1}_\omega}$, and \mathcal{G}_{-1} is the extension of \mathcal{G} in $\mathcal{L}_c(H_0, D_0(A)')$.
 435 Remark that by [5, Section 2B], we have that for $s \geq 0$,

$$436 \quad (5.7) \quad (s\tilde{D}^*((1+is)^2 + \mathcal{G}_{-1})^{-1}\tilde{D}) = \tilde{B}^*((1+is) - A_{-1})^{-1}\tilde{B},$$

437 where A_{-1} is the extension of A in $\mathcal{L}_c(L_{p,0}^2, (H_{p,0}^1)')$. Since \tilde{B}^* is bounded, we have,
 438 for any $s \geq 0$,

$$439 \quad (5.8) \quad \|\tilde{B}^*((1+is) - A_{-1})^{-1}\tilde{B}\| \leq \|\tilde{B}^*\| \|((1+is) - A_{-1})^{-1}\| \|\tilde{B}\|.$$

440 Since A has purely imaginary spectrum, we have the existence of $C > 0$ such that for
 441 any $s \geq 0$,

$$442 \quad \|\tilde{B}^*((1+is) - \mathcal{A}_{-1})^{-1}\tilde{B}\| \leq C.$$

443 Hence, coming back to (5.7), we have existence of some constant $C > 0$ such that for
 444 any $s \geq 0$, we have

$$445 \quad (5.9) \quad s \|\tilde{D}^*((1 + is)^2 + \mathcal{G}_{-1})^{-1}\tilde{D}\| \leq C.$$

446 Moreover, the eigenvalues $\sqrt{\mu_k}$ of $\sqrt{\mathcal{G}}$ behave asymptotically as $C\sqrt{k}$ as $k \rightarrow +\infty$ for
 447 some $C > 0$. Notably, there exists $C > 0$ small enough such that for any $k \in \mathbb{N}^*$, we
 448 have

$$449 \quad \sqrt{\mu_{k+1}} - \sqrt{\mu_k} \geq \frac{c}{\sqrt{\mu_k}}.$$

450 For $s \geq 0$, we set

$$451 \quad (5.10) \quad \delta_0(s) = \frac{c}{4s}.$$

452 Then, for any $s \geq 0$, the set $[s - \delta_0(s), s + \delta_0(s)]$ contains at most one eigenvalue.
 453 We call $WP(s)$ the “wavepacket” associated to $s \geq 0$, *i.e.* the spectral subspace
 454 associated to the set $[s - \delta_0(s), s + \delta_0(s)]$, which is either empty, or limited to an
 455 eigenspace of a unique eigenvalue.

456 Consider any eigenfunction f of $\sqrt{\mathcal{G}}$ associated to an eigenvalue $\sqrt{\mu_k}$. Then, f can
 457 be written as $f(x) = a_k e^{ikx} + b_k e^{-ikx}$ with $a_k, b_k \in \mathbb{C}$. Moreover, writing $\omega = (\alpha, \beta)$
 458 with $\alpha < \beta$, using $\Pi_{H_0} f = f$, the fact the scalar product on $L^2_{p,0}$ is the restriction of
 459 the scalar product on L^2_p , and (3.1),

$$\begin{aligned} \|\tilde{D}^* f\|_{L^2_{p,0}}^2 &= \langle \tilde{D}^* f, \tilde{D}^* f \rangle_{L^2_{p,0}} \\ &= \langle \tilde{D} \tilde{D}^* f, f \rangle_{L^2_{p,0}} \\ &= \langle \Pi_{H_0} \mathbf{1}_\omega f, f \rangle_{L^2_p} \\ &= \langle \mathbf{1}_\omega f, \Pi_{H_0} f \rangle_{L^2_p} \\ &= \langle \mathbf{1}_\omega f, f \rangle_{L^2_p} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_\omega |f|^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_\alpha^\beta (|a|^2 + |b|^2 + 2\operatorname{Re}(a\bar{b}e^{2ikx})) dx \\ &= \frac{\beta - \alpha}{2\pi} (|a|^2 + |b|^2) + \frac{1}{2\pi} \operatorname{Re} \left(a\bar{b} \int_\alpha^\beta e^{2ikx} dx \right) \\ &= \frac{\beta - \alpha}{2\pi} (|a|^2 + |b|^2) + \operatorname{Re} \left(a\bar{b} \frac{e^{2ik\beta} - e^{2ik\alpha}}{\pi ik} \right). \end{aligned}$$

461 Since $\int_\mathbb{T} |f|^2 = |a|^2 + |b|^2$, we deduce that as soon as $f \neq 0$, we have $\|\tilde{D}^* f\|_{L^2_{p,0}}^2 \neq 0$
 462 and, by Young’s inequality,

$$463 \quad \frac{\|\tilde{D}^* f\|_{L^2_{p,0}}^2}{\int_\mathbb{T} |f|^2} \geq \frac{\beta - \alpha}{2\pi} - \frac{1}{\pi k} \rightarrow \frac{\beta - \alpha}{2\pi} > 0 \text{ as } |k| \rightarrow +\infty.$$

464 Hence, for some $C > 0$ small enough, we have have that

$$465 \quad (5.11) \quad \|\tilde{B}^* f\|_{L^2_{p,0}} \geq C \|f\|_{L^2_{p,0}}, \quad f \in WP(s), \quad s \geq 0.$$

466 Combining (5.9), (5.10) and (5.11), and applying [5, Theorem 3.9] gives that for
 467 some new $C > 0$

$$468 \quad \|(isId - (A - \tilde{B}\tilde{B}^*))^{-1}\| \leq Cs^2, \quad s \in \mathbb{R}.$$

469 Applying [3, Theorem 2.4] gives that (for the operator norm in H_0)

$$470 \quad (5.12) \quad \|e^{t(A - \tilde{B}\tilde{B}^*)}(A - \tilde{B}\tilde{B}^*)^{-1}\| = O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}\right), \quad t \rightarrow +\infty.$$

471 We easily deduce (5.6) by applying this estimate together with the identity: $\forall \varphi \in$
 472 $D_0(A)$,

$$473 \quad e^{t(A - \tilde{B}\tilde{B}^*)}\varphi = e^{t(A - \tilde{B}\tilde{B}^*)}(A - \tilde{B}\tilde{B}^*)^{-1}(A - \tilde{B}\tilde{B}^*)\varphi$$

474 and remarking that using a triangular inequality,

$$475 \quad \|(A - \tilde{B}\tilde{B}^*)\varphi\| \leq C\|\varphi\|_{D_0(A)}. \quad \square$$

476 **5.2. State space of low-frequency initial conditions with null mean**
 477 **value: exponential observer.** A remedy is to look only at low-frequency func-
 478 tions. Let us fix some $N \in \mathbb{N}^*$. We call H^N the finite-dimensional space

$$479 \quad H^N = \text{span}\{\nu_n^+, \nu_n^-\}_{1 \leq |n| \leq N}.$$

480 We also introduce $\Pi_{LF0^\perp}^N$ the orthogonal projection on H^N in H . We restrict ourselves
 481 to initial conditions in H^N and we propose the following observer:

$$482 \quad (5.13) \quad \begin{cases} \partial_t \hat{\phi}(t, x) &= -g\hat{\eta}(t, x), \\ \partial_t \hat{\eta}(t, x) &= \mathcal{G}(\hat{\phi}(t, x)) - \gamma \Pi_{LF0^\perp}^N \mathbf{1}_\omega (\hat{\eta}(t, x) - \eta(t, x)), \quad (t, x) \in [0, +\infty) \times \mathbb{T}, \\ \hat{\phi}(0, x) &= \hat{\phi}^0(x), \quad \hat{\eta}(0, x) = \hat{\eta}^0(x), \end{cases}$$

483 resulting in the error equation:

$$484 \quad (5.14) \quad \begin{cases} \partial_t \phi_{er}(t, x) &= -g\eta_{er}(t, x), \\ \partial_t \eta_{er}(t, x) &= \mathcal{G}(\phi_{er}(t, x)) - \Pi_{LF0^\perp}^N \mathbf{1}_\omega \eta_{er}(t, x), \quad (t, x) \in [0, +\infty) \times \mathbb{T}, \\ \phi_{er}(0, x) &= \phi_{er}^0(x), \quad \eta_{er}(0, x) = \eta_{er}^0(x), \end{cases}$$

485 where $\phi_{er}^0(x) = \phi^0(x) - \hat{\phi}^0(x)$ and $\eta_{er}^0(x) = \eta^0(x) - \hat{\eta}^0(x)$. We then have the following
 486 result.

487 **THEOREM 5.2.** (5.14) is exponentially stable, and there exists $C > 0$, independent
 488 of N , such that for any $(\phi_{er}^0(x), \eta_{er}^0(x)) \in H^N$ and any $t \geq 0$, we have

$$489 \quad (5.15) \quad \|(\phi_{er}(t, \cdot), \eta_{er}(t, \cdot))\|_{H_0} \leq C \|(\phi_{er}^0(x), \eta_{er}^0(x))\|_{H_0} e^{-\frac{C}{N}t}.$$

490 *Proof.* Introduce

$$491 \quad B_N = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \Pi_{LF0^\perp}^N \mathbf{1}_\omega \end{pmatrix}$$

492 and

$$493 \quad \tilde{B}_N = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{\Pi_{LF0^\perp}^N \mathbf{1}_\omega} \end{pmatrix}.$$

494 Remark that $\|\tilde{B}_N\| \leq C$, with C independent of N . Following the proof of [Theorem 5.1](#),
 495 we deduce by using a similar estimate to (5.8) that we have an estimate
 496 similar to (5.9), namely,

$$497 \quad s\|\tilde{D}_N^*((1+is)^2 + \mathcal{G}_{-1})^{-1}\tilde{D}_N\| \leq C,$$

498 where $\tilde{D}_N = \sqrt{\Pi_{LF0^\perp}^N} 1_\omega$ and $C > 0$ is independent of N . Moreover, following exactly
 499 the notations and reasoning of the proof of [Theorem 5.1](#), we also have the analogous
 500 of (5.11)

$$501 \quad \|\tilde{D}_N f\|_{L_{p,0}^2} \geq C\|f\|_{L_{p,0}^2}, f \in WP(s), s \geq 0,$$

502 where $C > 0$ is independent of N and the wavepacket is defined with the same δ_0 as
 503 in (5.10). We deduce that a result similar to (5.12), namely, for $t \geq C_1$ for some
 504 $C_1 > 0$ large enough, we have, for some $C > 0$ independent of N .

$$505 \quad (5.16) \quad \|e^{t(A-B_N)}(A-B_N)^{-1}\varphi\|_H \leq \frac{C\|\varphi\|_H}{\sqrt{t}}, \forall \varphi \in H_N.$$

506 Assume now that φ is an eigenvector of $A - B_N$ associated to an eigenvalue $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$.
 507 Such an eigenvalue is necessarily such that $\operatorname{Re}(\lambda) < 0$.

508 Then, (5.16) becomes

$$509 \quad \frac{e^{t\operatorname{Re}(\lambda)}}{|\lambda|} \|\varphi\|_H \leq \frac{C\|\varphi\|_H}{\sqrt{t}}, t \geq C_1.$$

510 By an usual comparison principle, since the eigenvalue λ_k^\pm of A behaves asymptotically
 511 as $\sqrt{|k|}$ as $|k| \rightarrow +\infty$ and since here $|k| \leq N$, we necessarily have that for some $C > 0$,

$$512 \quad |\lambda| \leq C\sqrt{N}.$$

513 We deduce that for some new $C > 0$ and $t \geq C_1$,

$$514 \quad e^{t\operatorname{Re}(\lambda)} \leq \frac{C\sqrt{N}}{\sqrt{t}}.$$

515 Now, we have two possibilities:

- 516 • Either $-\operatorname{Re}(\lambda) \geq 1/C_1$ (remind that $\operatorname{Re}(\lambda) < 0$).
- 517 • Or $-\operatorname{Re}(\lambda) < 1/C_1$. In this case, taking $t = -1/\operatorname{Re}(\lambda) \geq C_1$, we deduce that

$$518 \quad e^{-1} \leq C\sqrt{-N\operatorname{Re}(\lambda)}.$$

519 Hence, in this case, for some new $C > 0$,

$$520 \quad -\operatorname{Re}(\lambda) \geq \frac{C}{N}.$$

521 In both cases, for N large enough, we deduce that

$$522 \quad \operatorname{Re}(\lambda) \leq -\frac{C}{N}.$$

523 Since λ can be any eigenvalue of $A - B_N$, an usual reasoning enables to deduce our
 524 desired result (5.15). \square

525 **6. Numerical Results.** This section is structured into four parts. The first part
526 addresses certain numerical aspects that are worth discussing before proceeding with
527 numerical experiments. Specifically, it covers the distinction between performing com-
528 putations in Fourier space versus classical space, the interpretation of low-frequency
529 projectors, and the phenomenon of aliasing. The second part focuses on validating
530 the theoretical results presented earlier through numerical simulations. The third part
531 explores the behavior of the convergence rate as a function of the number of available
532 frequencies. Finally, the fourth part shifts to an application beyond the theoretical
533 framework. Here, we apply a Luenberger observer to the problem of wave field re-
534 construction in open water. Data assimilation for wave fields is a crucial topic in
535 addressing certain challenges in engineering and hydrodynamics. This research area
536 has gained significant attention in recent years, with applications ranging from flood
537 or tsunami prediction [30, 26] and bathymetry detection [18, 2] to the reconstruction
538 and prediction of wave fields from observations [35, 12, 27, 22, 8]. Our last case focuses
539 on the latter, making simplified assumptions while ensuring that the proposed method
540 remains both relevant and practical. The approach is deliberately straightforward and
541 easy to implement.

542 **6.1. Numerical aspects.** In this section, we clarify some numerical aspects
543 that are important to address in the following section.

544 **6.1.1. Fourier space and classical space.** Let us first address the choice of the
545 space (Fourier or classical) in which the numerical tests will be carried out. Compu-
546 tations for subsection 6.2 and subsection 6.3 are done in Fourier space. Computations
547 for subsection 6.4 are performed in the classical space.

548 Concerning subsection 6.2 and subsection 6.3, this choice is motivated by the
549 will to better represent the theoretical convergence results that we want to illustrate
550 and to facilitate computations. But let us address the difference between running
551 the simulations in a Fourier space and in classical space. Recall that for a periodic
552 continuous function f on the torus \mathbb{T} , there exists an equivalence between the rep-
553 resentation of the function on the grid $(f(x_i))_{i=\{0,\dots,N_x-1\}}$ and its representation in
554 the Fourier domain $\mathcal{F}[f](n)_{n=\{-N_f,\dots,N_f\}}$ if $N_f = (N_x - 1)/2$. This equivalence can
555 be reworked with a simple discrete Fourier transform computation. However, this
556 equivalence is no longer valid for piecewise continuous functions, which is our case
557 because of the operator $\mathbf{1}_\omega$. In this setting we therefore lose the uniform and absolute
558 convergence, but we still have convergence in L^2 -norm, and almost everywhere con-
559 vergence of the Fourier series to the function in the classical space thanks to classical
560 theorems of Fourier analysis. It can be shown that the operators constructed there-
561 after in a discretized Fourier space converge towards the same operators constructed
562 in a discretized classical space as N_x (or N_f) tends to infinity. The indicator operator
563 $\mathbf{1}_\omega$ is then passed into Fourier space, assuming $\omega = [\pi - a, \pi + a]$, with:

$$564 \quad (6.1) \quad c_0(\mathbf{1}_{[\pi-a,\pi+a]}) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \mathbf{1}_{[\pi-a,\pi+a]}(x) dx = \frac{a}{\pi}$$

565 and, for $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$,

$$566 \quad (6.2) \quad c_n(\mathbf{1}_{[\pi-a,\pi+a]}) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \mathbf{1}_{[\pi-a,\pi+a]}(x) \exp(-inx) dx = \frac{a(-1)^n \sin(na)}{\pi na}.$$

567 Regarding subsection 6.4, computations are carried out in the classical space as
568 we approach a realistic and practical problem.

569 **6.1.2. Projectors.** Let us we clarify what *low-frequency projection* means in a
570 numerical setting. Indeed, from the moment we carry out a discretization (Fourier
571 or classical), this already amounts to carrying out a low-frequency projection of our
572 continuous problem into a finite dimension setting since a discretization of our function
573 can only represent a finite number of frequencies.

574 This is what is considered in the numerical test performed in [subsection 6.4](#). The
575 *low-frequency projection* is not visible in the formulations, but rather implied by the
576 fact that we work in a discretized setting.

577 Regarding the first numerical test in [subsection 6.2](#), as our aim is there to support
578 the theoretical assertions made in this paper, *low-frequency projection* is defined as
579 the operator that projects the solution onto the frequencies subspace that is the
580 one of the initial condition. For example, if the initial condition of our initial value
581 problem contains two sines of frequencies 1 and 2 (*i.e.*, $\sin(x) + \sin(2x)$), then the
582 *low-frequency projection* operator projects a function in Fourier space onto frequencies
583 $\{-2, -1, 0, 1, 2\}$. This initial condition is considered to be *low-frequency*.

584 **6.1.3. Aliasing.** One of the other numerical aspects that is important to specify
585 is aliasing [[25](#)]. It is also known as spectral folding and occurs when we try to represent
586 a function which contains more frequencies than the discretization grid can allow.
587 The frequencies that are too high for the grid are then folded onto the rest of the
588 frequencies, hence introducing a numerical error that cannot be avoided.

589 In order to avoid aliasing in [subsection 6.2](#), we choose to concentrate on an initial
590 condition that can be represented on the chosen frequency space. These are therefore
591 sums of sines and cosines, which contain fewer frequencies than the frequency space
592 can represent.

593 In [subsection 6.4](#), this phenomenon is present as we aim to apply our observer on
594 a more realistic setting. We are then outside the theoretical frame exposed above.

595 **6.2. Numerical convergence of the error equation in the theoretical set-**
596 **ting.** In this section, we validate numerically the theoretical results presented above.
597 Computations are performed in *MATLAB* [[17](#)]. We choose to emulate a discretization
598 in space of the 1D torus $[0, 2\pi[$ with N_x points, *i.e.* a $\{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{N_x-1}\}$ grid with
599 $x_i = i\Delta x$, where $\Delta x = 2\pi/N_x$. For simplicity, we assume N_x to be odd, so that the
600 maximum number of frequencies that can be represented with this discretization is
601 $N_f = (N_x - 1)/2$. We therefore suppose to use a grid with $N_x = 2^6 + 1$ equidistant
602 points, equivalent to the same number of frequencies, ranging from $-N_f = (N_x - 1)/2$
603 to $N_f = (N_x - 1)/2$. Computation are actually carried out in this frequency space.

604 We want to compare the results of different ODEs that describe the behaviour
605 of the error without modifications ([6.3](#)), the error with a projector that removes the
606 mean ([6.4](#)), and the error with a projector that removes the mean and high frequencies
607 ([6.5](#)).

$$608 \quad (6.3) \quad [\mathbf{E}_1] \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \partial_t \phi_{er}(t, x) = -g\eta_{er}(t, x) \\ \partial_t \eta_{er}(t, x) = \mathcal{G}(\phi_{er}(t, x)) - \mathbf{1}_\omega \eta_{er}(t, x) \end{cases}$$

$$610 \quad (6.4) \quad [\mathbf{E}_2] \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \partial_t \phi_{er}(t, x) = -g\eta_{er}(t, x) \\ \partial_t \eta_{er}(t, x) = \mathcal{G}(\phi_{er}(t, x)) - \Pi_{\perp 0} \mathbf{1}_\omega \eta_{er}(t, x), \end{cases}$$

$$612 \quad (6.5) \quad [\mathbf{E}_3] \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \partial_t \phi_{er}(t, x) = -g\eta_{er}(t, x) \\ \partial_t \eta_{er}(t, x) = \mathcal{G}(\phi_{er}(t, x)) - \Pi_{\perp 0} \Pi_{LF} \mathbf{1}_\omega \eta_{er}(t, x). \end{cases}$$

613 Here ω is defined as the interval $[\pi/2, 3\pi/2]$, representing an observation of half of the
614 free surface.

615 Regarding the initial condition, remember that ϕ^0 and η^0 must satisfy relation
616 (2.6), i.e., $\mathcal{F}[\eta^0](n) = \frac{i\omega_n}{g}\mathcal{F}[\phi^0](n)$ where $\mathcal{F}[\cdot]$ is the Fourier transform on \mathbb{T} . Same
617 holds for $\hat{\eta}^0$ and $\hat{\phi}^0$ and consequently, for ϕ_{er}^0 and η_{er}^0 . We therefore choose to define
618 ϕ_{er}^0 as a signal with no mean defined as a sum of $N_{init} = 4$ sines and cosines:

$$619 \quad (6.6) \quad \phi_{er}^0(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{n=N_{init}=4} \beta_{n,1} \sin(nx) + \beta_{n,2} \cos(nx),$$

620 with $\beta_{n,1}$ and $\beta_{n,2}$ taken at random from $[0, 1]$ for each mode. Once ϕ_{er}^0 is set, we
621 choose η_{er}^0 so that it follows relation (2.6) on each Fourier mode.

622 We discretize the operators associated with the dynamics of equations (6.3),
623 (6.4) and (6.5) into matrices \mathbf{M}_1 , \mathbf{M}_2 and \mathbf{M}_3 over $2N_f + 1$ frequencies, sorted as
624 $\{0, 1, \dots, N_f, -N_f, \dots, -1\}$. This leads to:
(6.7)

$$625 \quad \mathbf{M}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{O} & -g\mathbf{I} \\ \mathbf{G} & -\mathbf{C}_\omega \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{M}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{O} & -g\mathbf{I} \\ \mathbf{G} & -\mathbf{D}_{\perp 0}\mathbf{C}_\omega \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{M}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{O} & -g\mathbf{I} \\ \mathbf{G} & -\mathbf{D}_{LF}\mathbf{D}_{\perp 0}\mathbf{C}_\omega \end{pmatrix},$$

626 with $\mathbf{G} = \text{diag}(\{0, \tanh(d), \dots, N_f \tanh(dN_f), N_f \tanh(dN_f), \dots, \tanh(d)\})$ is the di-
627 agonal matrix corresponding to the Fourier multiplier operator \mathcal{G} , \mathbf{I} the identity ma-
628 trix, \mathbf{O} the null matrix, \mathbf{C}_ω the matrix representing in Fourier space the application
629 of the convolution product of the Fourier coefficients of the operator $\mathbf{1}_\omega$ onto a vector,
630 $\mathbf{D}_{\perp 0}$ the diagonal matrix which removes mode 0 and \mathbf{D}_{LF} the *low-frequency* projec-
631 tion matrix onto frequencies $\{-N_{init}, \dots, N_{init}\}$. Note that, for simplicity reasons, we
632 choose to set $\gamma = 1$. For a given matrix \mathbf{M}_i , $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ we solve the corresponding
633 homogeneous linear ODE with *MATLAB* `ode45` solver. Numerical results are shown
634 in Figure 6.1.

635 The non-convergence of the error equation (6.4) can therefore be observed, due to
636 the obstruction coming from mode 0. Concerning the solution of the error equation
637 (6.4), we can see the obstruction coming from the high frequencies, which prevents the
638 desired convergence at low frequencies. Convergence is linear because, since the equa-
639 tion is discretized, we are in a finite-dimensional regime. But the rate of convergence
640 is determined by the highest frequency represented by the grid, and not by the highest
641 frequency which constitutes the initial condition. We can also see in Figure 6.1 (top
642 right) and (bottom left) that although not existing in the initial conditions, high fre-
643 quencies appear due to the indicator operator which mixes the frequencies, therefore
644 supporting our theoretical results.

645 Finally, we can see that the solution to the error equation (6.5) converges at a
646 linear rate determined by the highest frequency of the projector, which, as we know,
647 is the same as in the initial condition. Figure 6.1 (bottom left) shows that this choice
648 of observer does not create high frequencies.

649 **6.3. Numerical study of the convergence rate.** In this test, we focus on
650 the rate of convergence of the observer. Once discretized in space, the problem falls
651 within the framework of the section 5. We have linear convergence of the observer.
652 This rate of convergence is therefore given by the largest real part of the eigenvalues
653 of the observer matrix, i.e. the matrix \mathbf{M}_2 as presented in (6.7). We also know that
654 this convergence rate depends on the highest frequency for a fixed observation interval
655 ω . In Figure 6.2, we are therefore interested in the relationship between the number

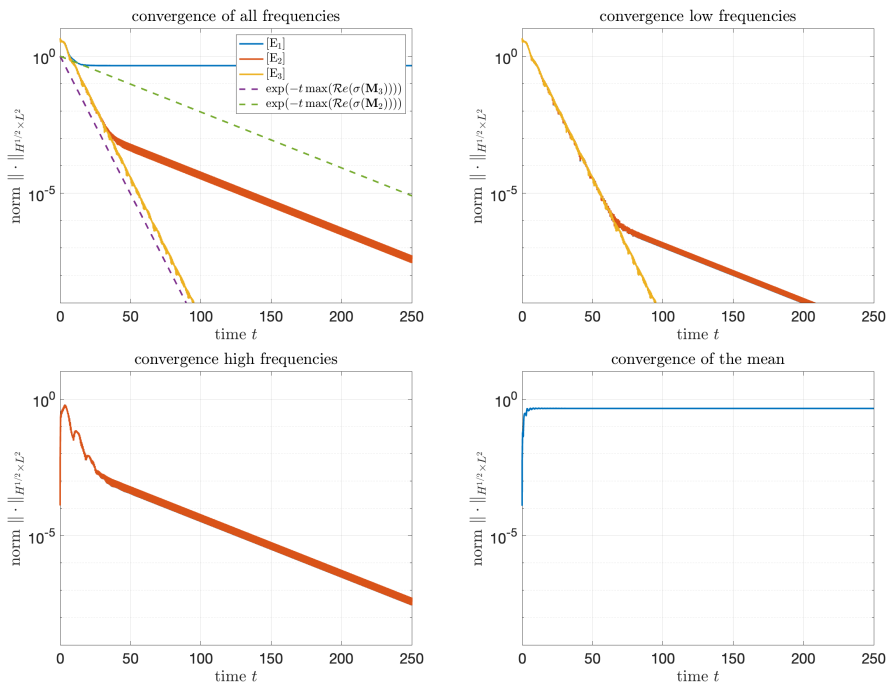


FIGURE 6.1. Convergence of the error equation for the initial condition in (6.6). Top left: Convergence of the solution of $[E_1]$, $[E_2]$ and $[E_3]$, with the theoretical rate of convergence found after an eigenvalue analysis of matrices \mathbf{M}_2 and \mathbf{M}_3 . Top right: Same as top left, where the solutions have been projected onto the low frequencies, i.e., $\{-N_{init}, \dots, N_{init}\}$. Bottom left: Same as top left, where the solutions have been projected onto the high frequencies, i.e., $\{-N_f, \dots, N_f\} \setminus \{-N_{init}, \dots, N_{init}\}$. Bottom right: Same as top left, where the solutions have been projected onto the frequency 0.

656 of frequencies represented and the rate of convergence. For increasing values of N_f ,
 657 an increasingly large matrix \mathbf{M}_2 is constructed and its eigenvalue of largest real part
 658 is then extracted.

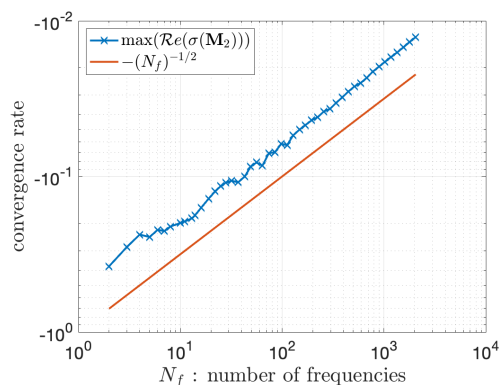


FIGURE 6.2. Convergence factor α as in $\|(\phi_{er}, \eta_{er})(t)\| \approx \exp(-\alpha t)$ as function of the number of frequencies N_f represented.

659 As can be seen in Figure 6.2, we therefore observe a linear convergence of the

660 error at rate $(N_f)^{-1/2}$. Recall that theoretically, by [Theorem 5.2](#), we have found
 661 that the convergence rate is at least of rate $(N_f)^{-2}$. Hence, it seems likely that our
 662 theoretical result is not optimal.

663 **6.4. Application to wave field reconstruction.** In this section, we focus on
 664 applying a Luenberger observer to a wave field in open sea, within a simplified but
 665 still relevant framework. These data are generated over a basin of length L .

$$666 \quad (6.8) \quad \eta(t, x) = \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^N A_n \exp(i(|k_n|x - \omega_n t + \lambda_n)) \right\}$$

667 where A_n are wave amplitudes of $N = 2048$ different individual waves calculated from
 668 a JONSWAP spectrum [\[16\]](#) with a peak period of 10 seconds, and a significant height
 669 of 3 meters. We then choose $L = 64l_p$ where l_p is the peak wavelength. We then have
 670 $k_n = \frac{n2\pi}{L}$, and $\omega_n = \sqrt{g|k_n| \tanh(d|k_n|)}$, and λ_n are random phase shifts drawn on
 671 $[0, 2\pi[$.

672 We then aim to set up an observer on the interval $\Omega = [0, L/4[$, an interval divided
 673 into two, with an observation region $\tilde{\Omega} = [0, L/8[$ and a prediction region $\Omega \setminus \tilde{\Omega} =$
 674 $[L/8, L/4[$ as schematized in [Figure 6.3](#). We therefore simulate a situation where we
 675 observe a wave field over an interval of size $8l_p$, and where we reconstruct this wave
 676 field over an interval twice as large, with the aim of predicting it over a region where
 677 we have no information. Ω is then discretized with a grid of $N_\Omega = 256$ points (we
 therefore have $N_{\tilde{\Omega}} = N_{\Omega \setminus \tilde{\Omega}} = 128$). We then solve the following observer equation on

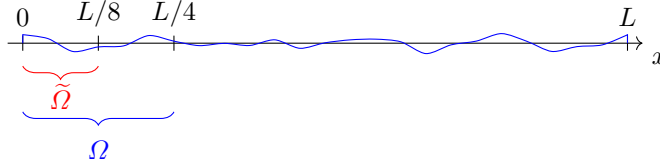


FIGURE 6.3. Setting for the reconstruction of a synthetic wave field.

678 $\Omega \times [0, T_{\text{end}}]:$
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$$680 \quad (6.9) \quad \begin{cases} \partial_t \eta_o(x_l, t) &= -g\phi_o(x_l, t), \\ \partial_t \phi_o(x_l, t) &= \mathcal{G}(\eta_o(x_l, t)) + \gamma \Pi_{\perp 0} \mathbf{1}_{\tilde{\Omega}}(\eta(x_l, t) - \eta_o(x_l, t)), \\ \eta_o(x_l, 0) &= \mathbf{1}_{\tilde{\Omega}} \eta(x_l, 0), \\ \phi_o(x_l, 0) &= 0. \end{cases}$$

681 The theoretical results given in [section 5](#) no longer hold for two reasons. First, the
 682 η wave field is not periodic on Ω . Second is that the discretization of Ω is coarser
 683 than that used to generate η synthetically. As explained in [subsection 6.1](#), this second
 684 reason leads to aliasing, preventing us from achieving the linear convergence described
 685 in [section 5](#). However, as long as the spectrum support of η is largely covered by the
 686 discretization grid of Ω , we expect qualitative results. A prior statistical understand-
 687 ing of the spectrum of an open ocean wave field is therefore necessary, and this is why
 688 operations such as JONSWAP have been performed.

689 To validate our results, we use a different metric from the one used so far, called
 690 SSP, (*Surface Similarity Parameter*), which is used in the hydrodynamics community

691 [29, 19, 9]. It is defined as follows, for two signals f_1 and f_2 :

$$692 \quad (6.10) \quad \text{SSP}(t) = \frac{(\sum_n |c_n(f_1) - c_n(f_2)|^2)^{1/2}}{(\sum_n |c_n(f_1)|^2)^{1/2} + (\sum_n |c_n(f_2)|^2)^{1/2}}.$$

693 The SSP has values in the range $[0, 1]$, where 0 corresponds to a perfect match and 1
 694 corresponds to a perfect mismatch between the two signals.

695 Solving equation (6.9) with $\gamma = 0.2$ gives the results shown in Figure 6.4. Here, for
 696 a fixed time t , we compare the SSP score between the η function of the synthetic wave
 697 field evaluated at the grid points in Ω and the solution of (6.9). The corresponding
 snapshots are shown in Figure 6.5. The choice of $\gamma = 0.2$ is explained later.

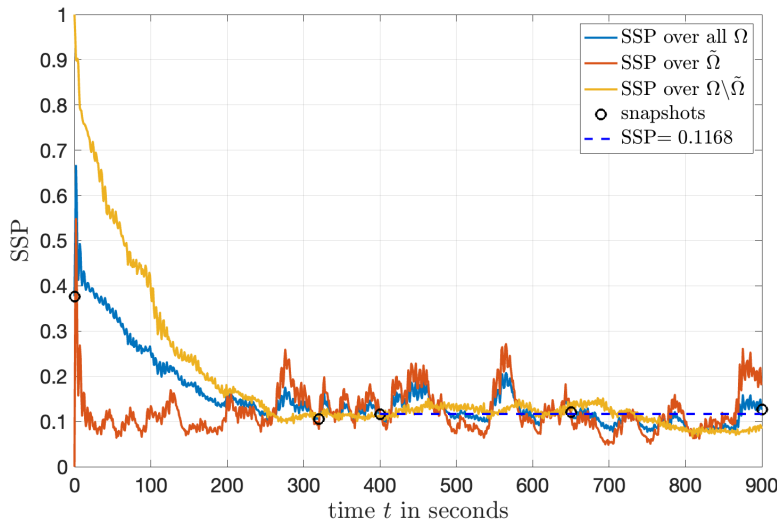


FIGURE 6.4. *SSP over time.* Blue curve is the SSP on Ω , red curve is the SSP on $\tilde{\Omega}$, yellow curve is the SSP on $\Omega \setminus \tilde{\Omega}$, blue dotted curve is the mean value of the SSP on Ω over time interval $[400, 900]$.

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699 In Figure 6.4, we can see that the observer takes some time to reconstruct the
 700 whole Ω interval (around 400 seconds of simulation) before converging around an
 701 average SSP of 0.12. The snapshots in Figure 6.5 show a good reconstruction of the
 702 surface over Ω from $t = 400$ seconds. We are then interested in the impact of the
 703 gain constant γ on the observer, its convergence rate, and its average SSP once the
 704 first 400 seconds of simulation have elapsed. The results are shown in Figure 6.6.
 705 Figure 6.6 shows that, depending on the value chosen for the gain constant γ , the
 706 average SSP varies, and varies differently if we look at the whole simulation interval,
 707 only the observed one or only the reconstructed one. The results shown in Figure 6.4
 708 and Figure 6.5 are therefore those with $\gamma = 0.2$ which equalize the SSP over the
 709 observation interval and the reconstruction interval, but we note that we can obtain
 710 better results over one of these intervals individually if we choose another value of γ .

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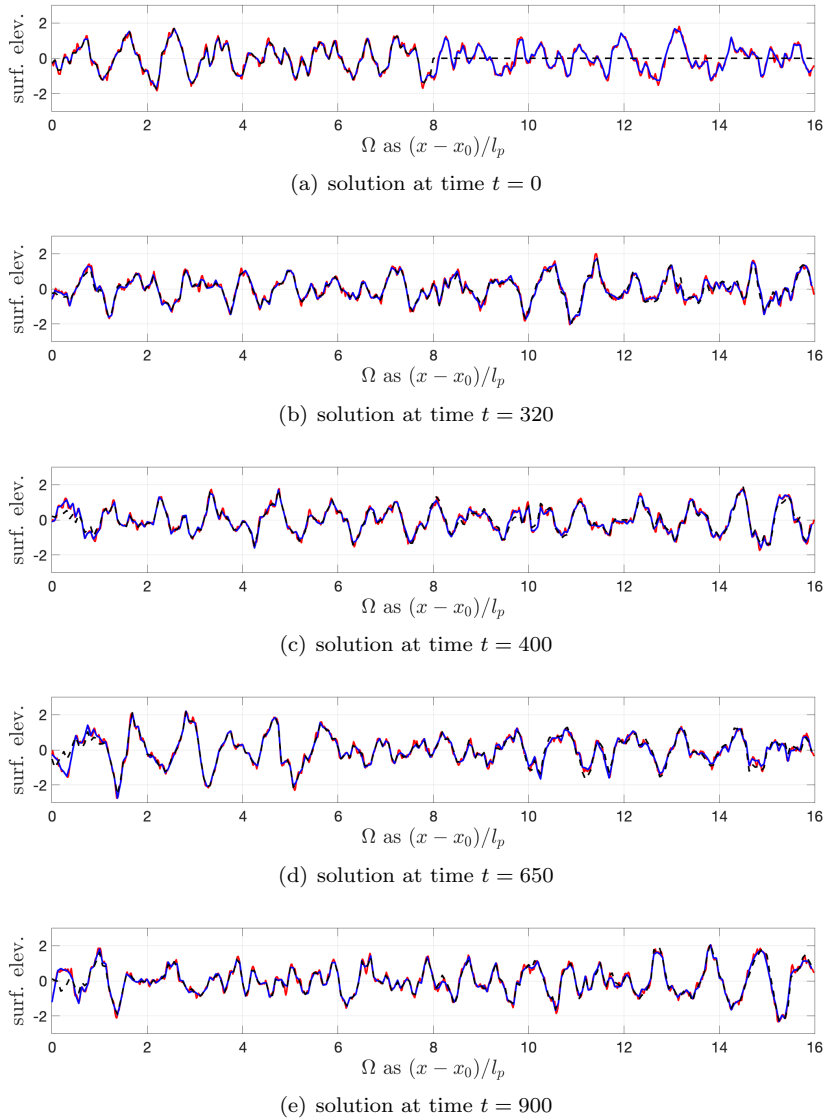


FIGURE 6.5. Snapshots of the surface over Ω at different timesteps. Red curve is the full synthetic solution η on a fine grid, blue curve is the synthetic solution η on the grid used for the observer, black dotted curve is the reconstructed surface $\hat{\eta}$.

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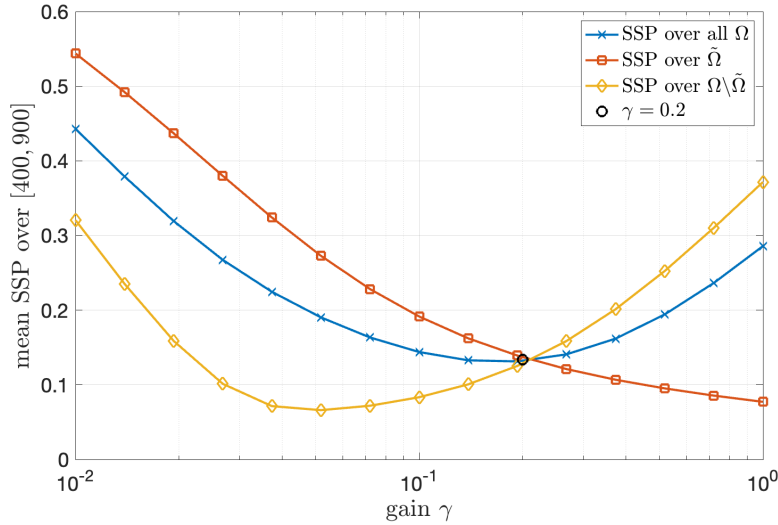


FIGURE 6.6. mean SSP over [400, 900] as a function of gain γ . Blue curve is the SSP on Ω , red curve is the SSP on $\tilde{\Omega}$, yellow curve is the SSP on $\Omega \setminus \tilde{\Omega}$.

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