

A more rigorous way for going from equ.(21) \rightarrow (23)
(under section on "Waves in Infinite Depth Water")

$$\text{Eq. (21): } -\frac{a\omega^2}{k} \cos(kx - \omega t) + \frac{a^2\omega^2}{2} + g a \cos(kx - \omega t) = 0$$

Replace: $a = \epsilon L$ where $\epsilon \ll 1$ (according to linear wave theory assumption)

Then we get:

$$-\frac{\epsilon L \omega^2}{k} \cos(kx - \omega t) + \frac{\epsilon^2 L^2 \omega^2}{2} + g \epsilon L \cos(kx - \omega t) = 0 \quad \rightarrow (21a)$$

$$-\epsilon \frac{\omega^2}{k} \cos(kx - \omega t) + \frac{\epsilon^2 \omega^2 L}{2} + g \epsilon \cos(kx - \omega t) = 0$$

\rightarrow H.O.T. (since $\epsilon \ll 1$)

$$-\frac{\epsilon \omega^2}{k} \cos(kx - \omega t) + g \epsilon \cos(kx - \omega t) = 0$$

Eq. (23):

$$\frac{\omega^2}{k} = g$$

dispersion relationship
for deep water

Note: Equ.(21) has resulted from equ.(13) by taking $e^{k\eta} \approx 1$ and $e^{2k\eta} \approx 1$, since

$$k\eta = \frac{2\pi}{L} \eta = \frac{2\pi}{L} a \cdot \cos(kx - \omega t) = 2\pi \epsilon \cos(kx - \omega t) \ll 1$$

(or taking all exponential at $z=0$ instead of $z=\eta$)

For example, the first term in equ. (13):

$$\rho \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} \Big|_{z=\eta} = \rho \frac{a\omega}{k} e^{k\eta} \cos(kx - \omega t) \cdot (-\omega) =$$

$$= -\rho \frac{a\omega^2}{k} e^{k\eta} \cos(kx - \omega t) =$$

$$= -\rho \frac{\epsilon L \omega^2}{k} \left[e^{2\pi \epsilon \cos(kx - \omega t)} \right] \cos(kx - \omega t)$$

since $k\eta = 2\pi \epsilon \cos(kx - \omega t) \ll 1$
and $e^x \approx 1 + x$ when $x \ll 1$

$$\approx -\rho \frac{\epsilon L \omega^2}{k} \left[1 + 2\pi \epsilon \cos(kx - \omega t) \right] \cos(kx - \omega t)$$

$$= -\rho \frac{\epsilon L \omega^2}{k} \cdot \cos(kx - \omega t) - \underbrace{\rho \frac{\epsilon L \omega^2}{k} 2\pi \epsilon \cos^2(kx - \omega t)}_{\sim \epsilon^2 \Rightarrow \text{H.O.T.}}$$

$$\approx -\rho \frac{\epsilon L \omega^2}{k} \cdot \cos(kx - \omega t) = -\rho \frac{a\omega^2}{k} \cos(kx - \omega t)$$

→ same as the 1st term on the
(RHS) of equ. (21)