Problem 130H

y Surface H Water L Tank

Water is sloshing back and forth in a box of liquid of mean depth, H, and width, L, so that standing waves are formed:

Assuming that

- the flow is planar, incompressible, inviscid and irrotational potential flow
- the free surface is devoid of surface tension and is at constant atmospheric pressure
- the surface waves are of small amplitude and only linear terms in the free surface boundary condition need be included

find the frequency, $f(f = \omega/2\pi)$, of the lowest mode of sloshing motion (the lowest frequency) in the tank in terms of H, Land the acceleration due to gravity, g.