

# Computational techniques for problems in civil engineering: Finite Volumes

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# Finite differences

The problem :

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = f(x, t)$$

The approximation:

$$\frac{dx(t)}{dt} = \frac{x(t + \Delta t) - x(t)}{\Delta t}$$

Solution:

$$x(t + \Delta t) = x(t) + \Delta t \frac{dx}{dt} = x(t) + \Delta t f(t)$$

# Projectile motion

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = -g$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v \\ -g \end{bmatrix}$$



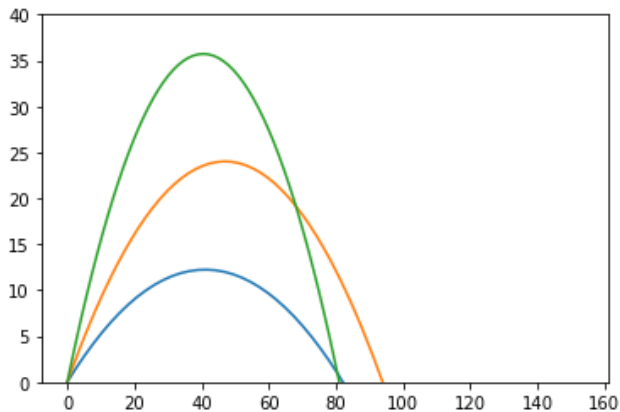
# Projectile motion

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thetas= [np.pi/6,np.pi/4, np.pi/3];
a=np.array([[0,-9.81]]) #acceleration
x=np.zeros([60,2]) #initial position
u=30 #initial velocity magnitude

for theta in thetas:
    v=np.zeros([60,2])
    v[0,:]=[u*np.cos(theta),u*np.sin(theta)]
    h=0.1
    for i in range(1,60):
        x[i,:]=x[i-1,:]+h*v[i-1,:]
        v[i,:]=v[i-1,:]+h*a

    py.plot(x[:,0],x[:,1])
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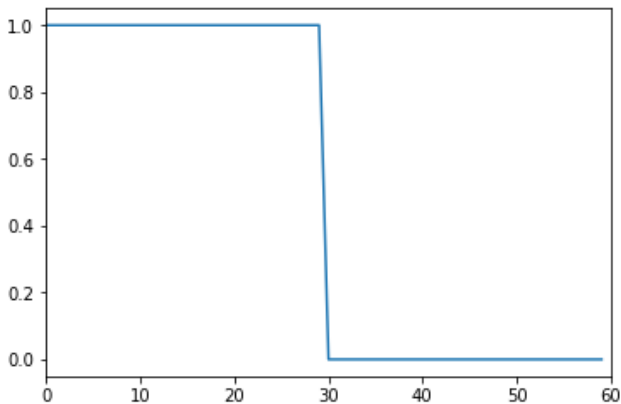
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# The Riemann problem



## The Riemann problem



$$f'(x) = \infty$$



## Advection equation

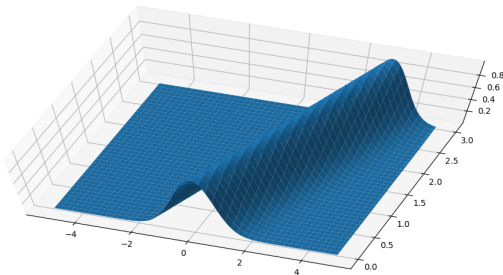
The advection equation:

$$\frac{\partial q}{\partial t} = c \frac{\partial q}{\partial x}$$

A solution is of the form  $f(x + ct)$  satisfies this.

$$\frac{\partial f(x + ct)}{\partial t} = f'(x + ct)c, \quad \frac{\partial f(x + ct)}{\partial x} = f'(x + ct)$$

Here, the function is  $e^{-(x+t)^2}$



## System of equations

$$\frac{\partial q}{\partial t} = A \frac{\partial q}{\partial x}$$

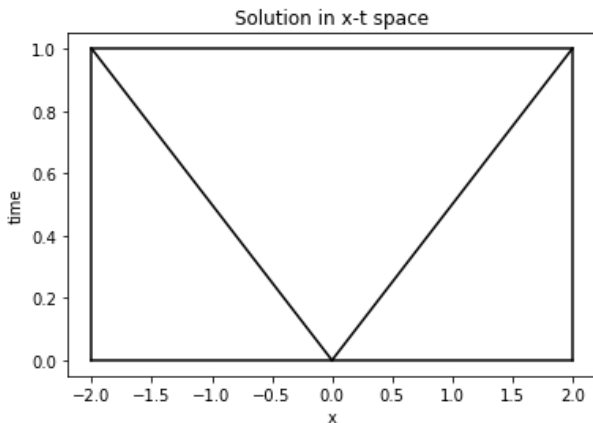
If  $A$  has real eigenvalues, the system is hyperbolic.

$$Av = \lambda v$$

## Linear acoustics equation

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \begin{bmatrix} p \\ u \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & K \\ \frac{1}{\rho} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \begin{bmatrix} p \\ u \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

The eigenvalues are  $\sqrt{\frac{K}{\rho}}$  and  $-\sqrt{\frac{K}{\rho}}$



# Linear acoustics

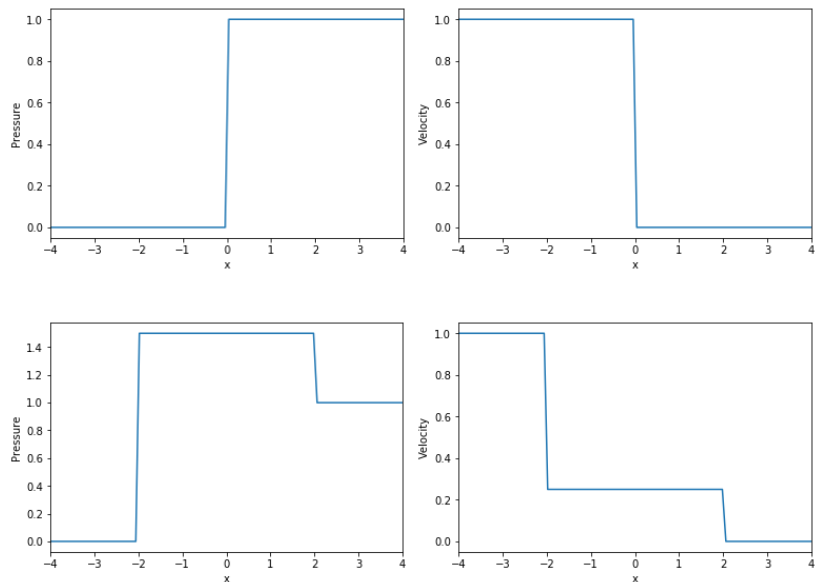
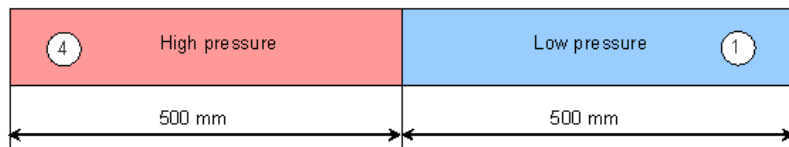


Figure 2: Time = 1

# Linear acoustics

Gas –  $P_4, T_4, V_4, \gamma$

Gas –  $P_1, T_1, V_1, \gamma$



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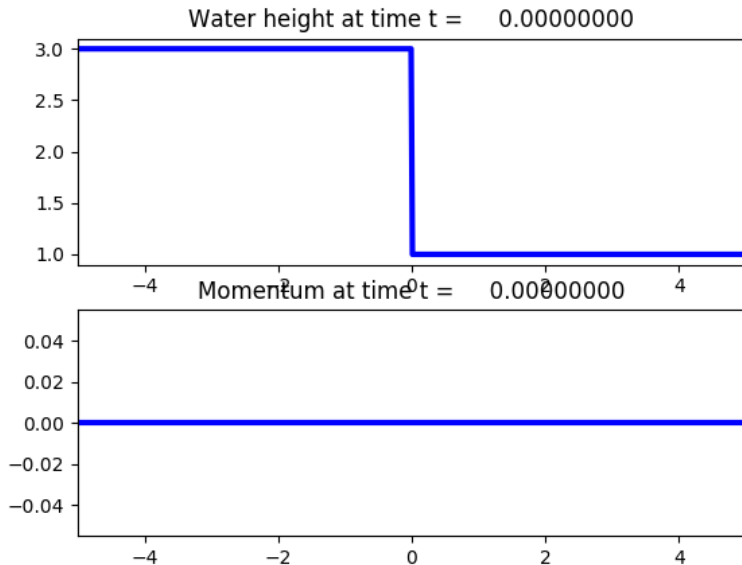
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$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(hu)}{\partial x} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial(hu)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(hu^2 + \frac{1}{2}gh^2)}{\partial x} = 0$$

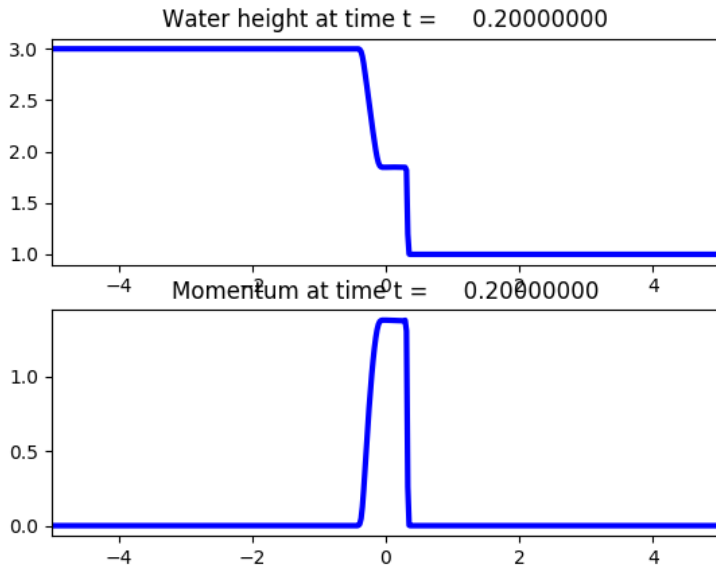
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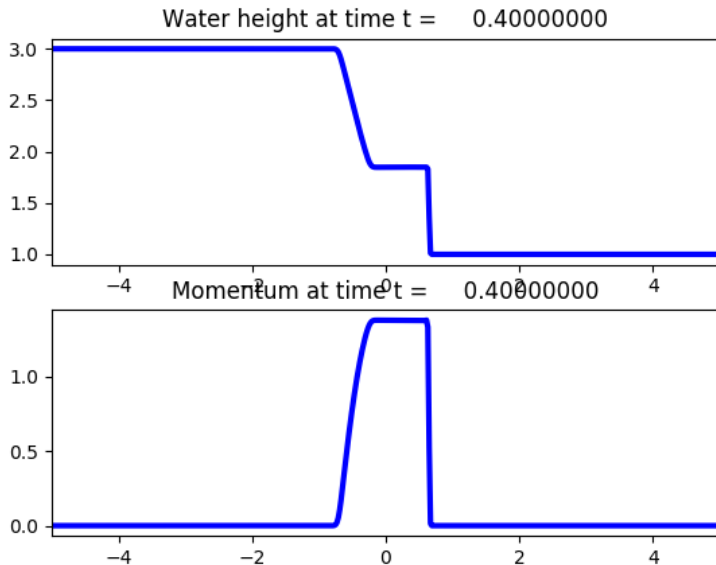




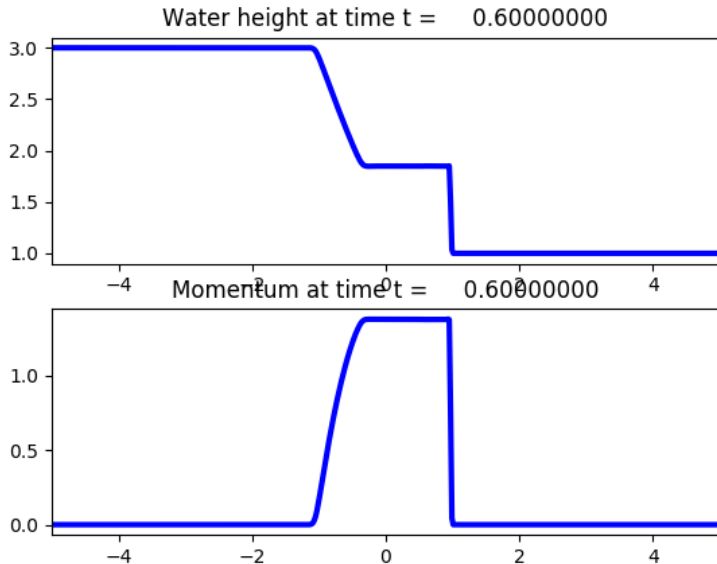
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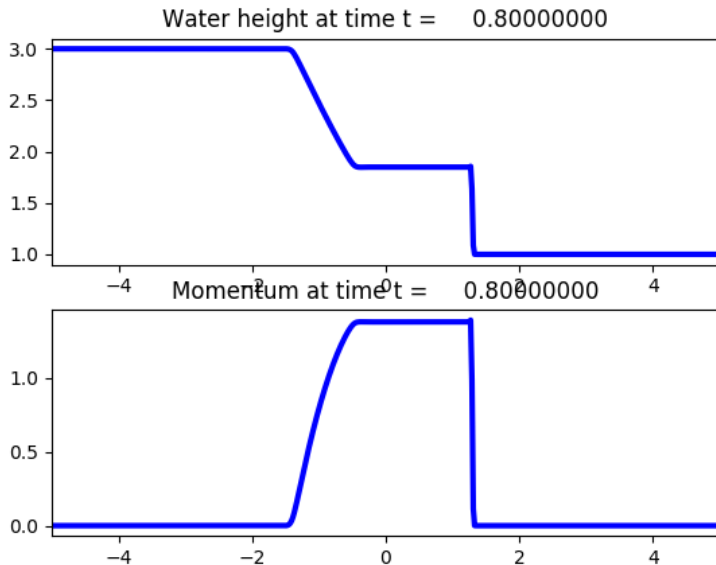
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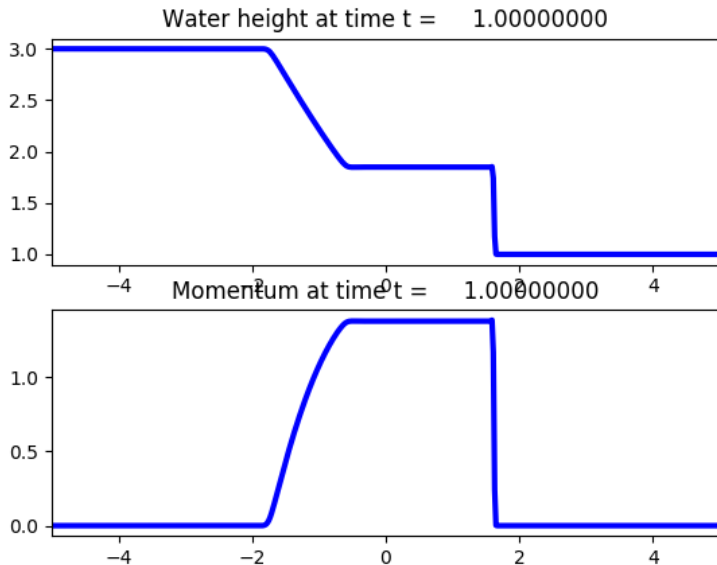
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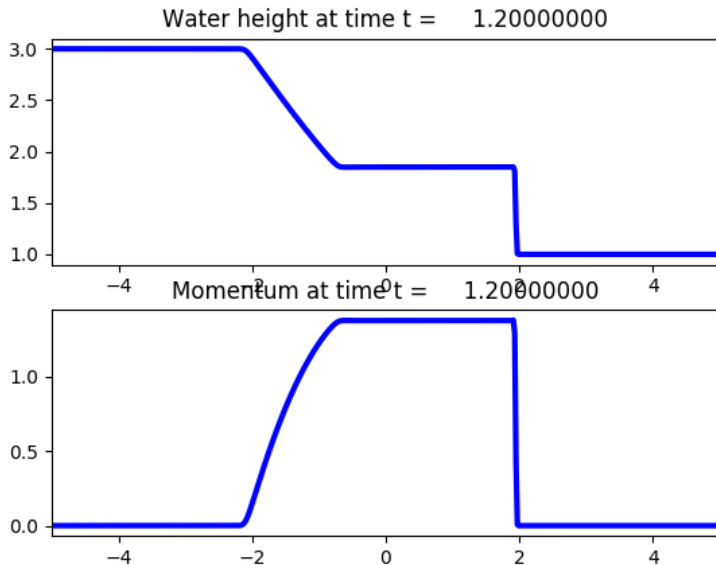
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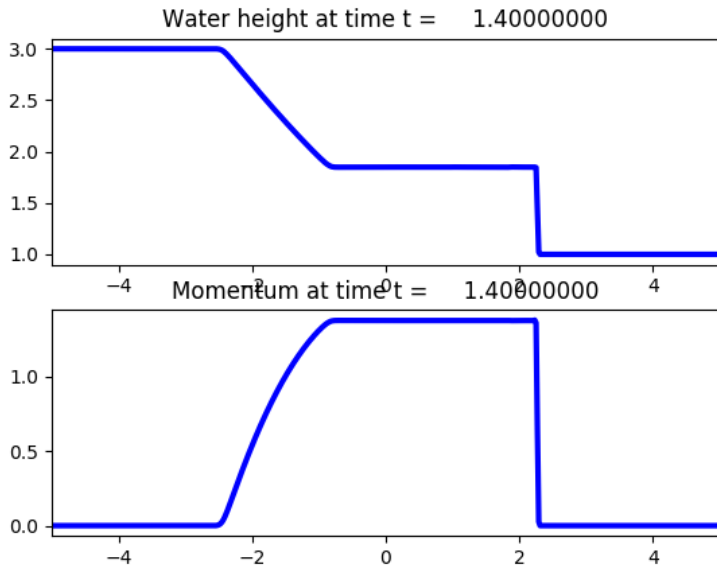
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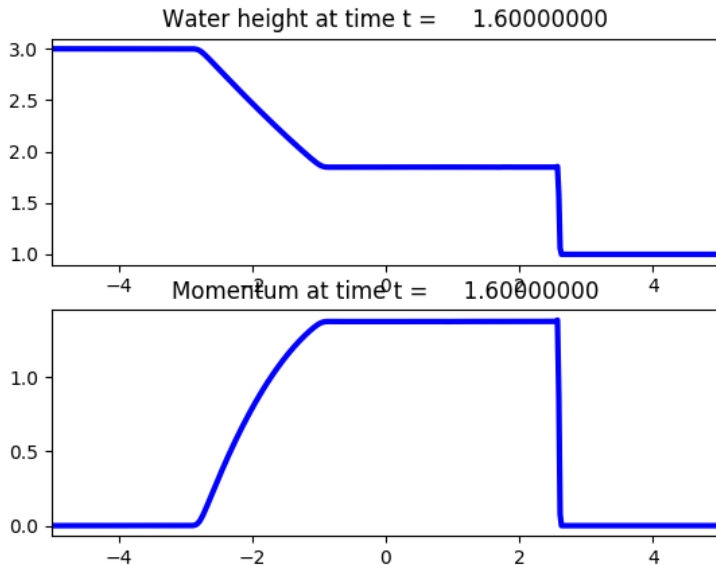
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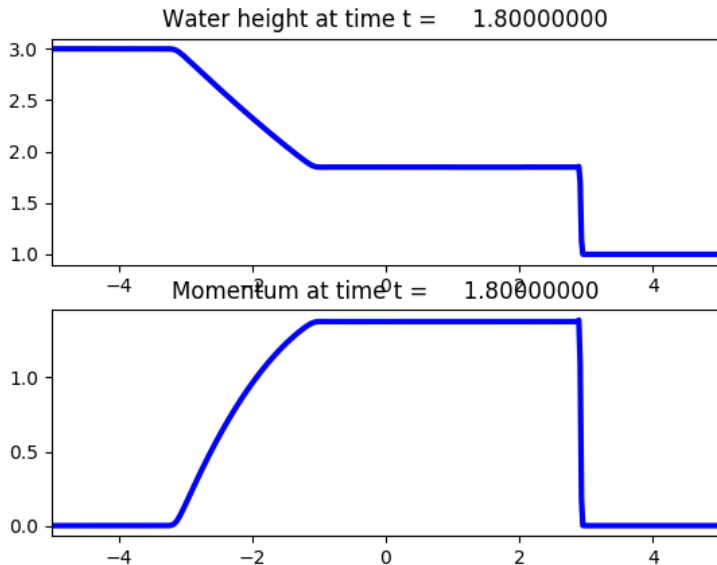


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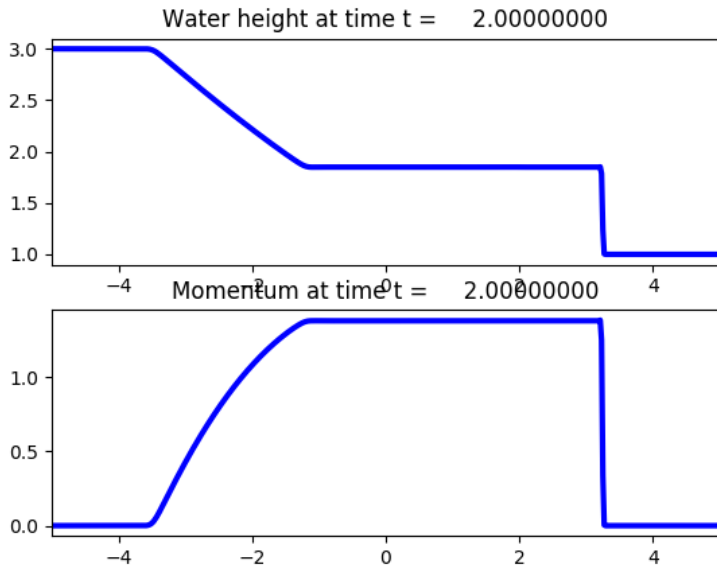




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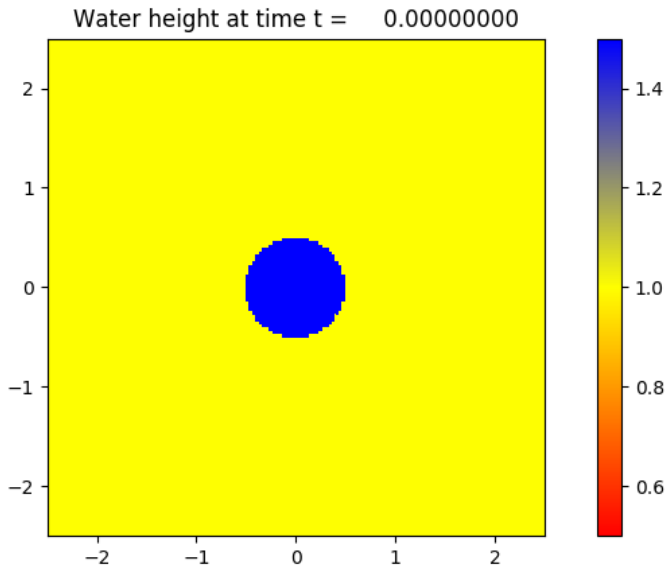
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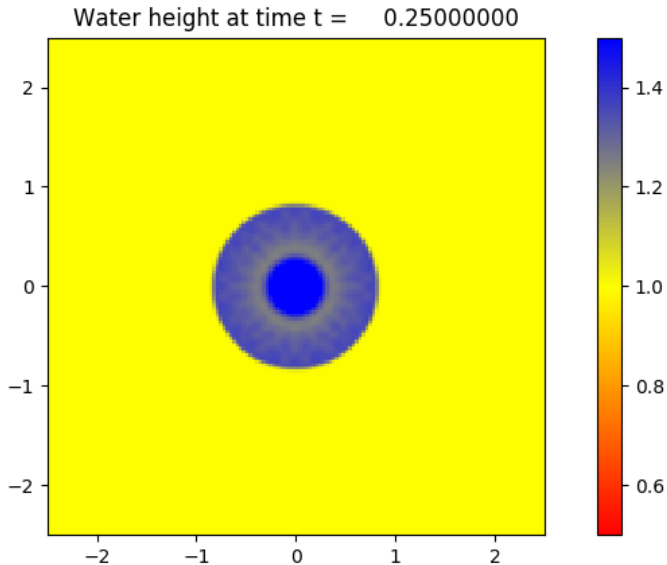
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$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \begin{bmatrix} h \\ hu \\ hv \end{bmatrix} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \begin{bmatrix} hu \\ hu^2 + \frac{1}{2}gh^2 \\ huv \end{bmatrix} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ huv \\ hv^2 + \frac{1}{2}gh^2 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

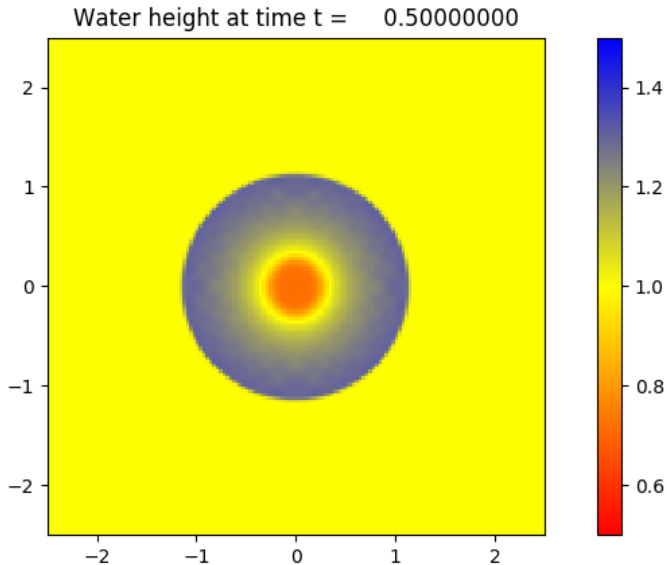
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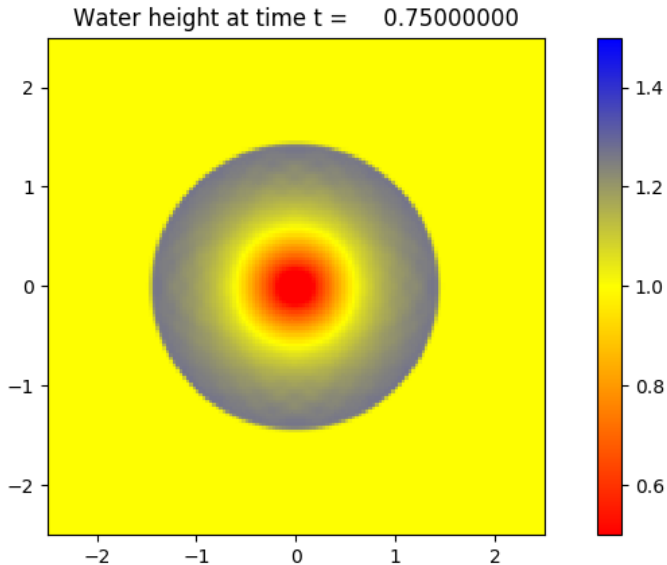
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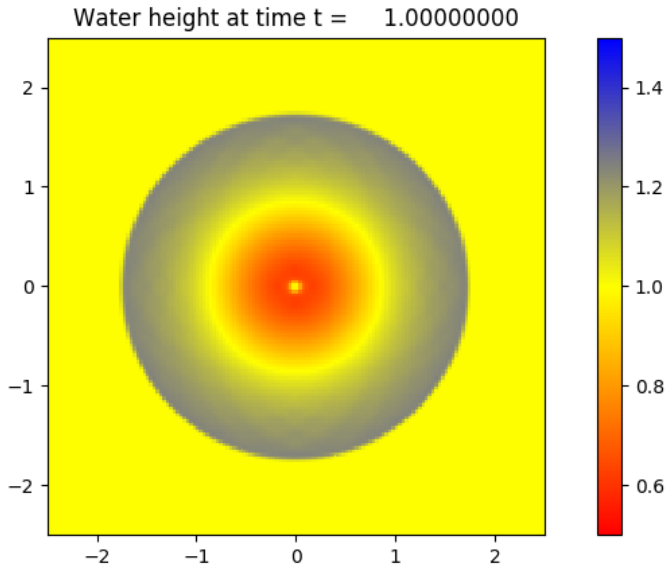
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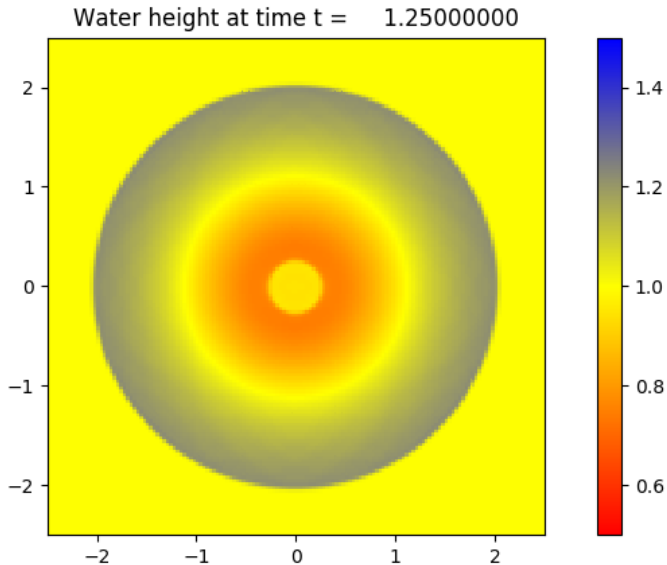


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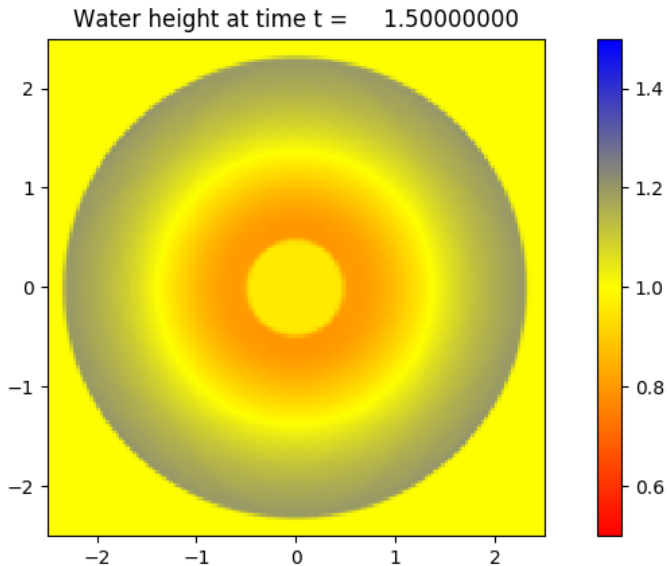




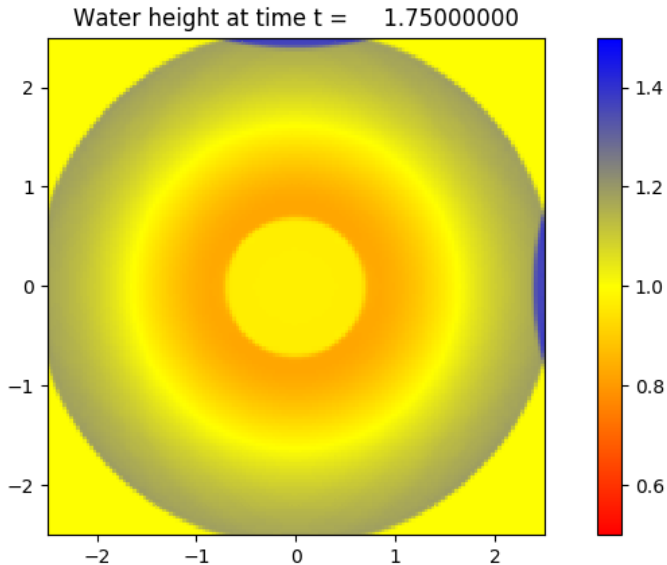
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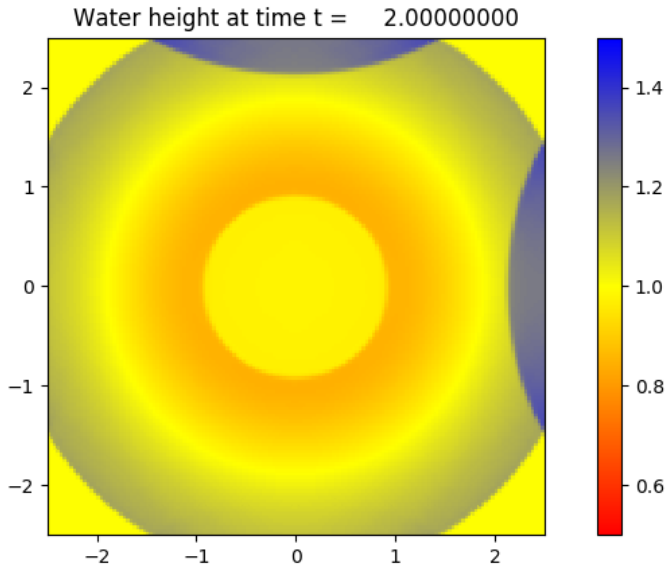
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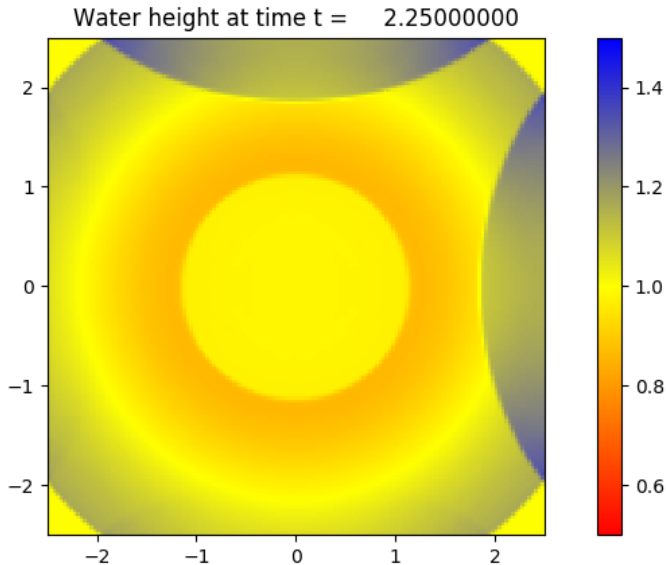
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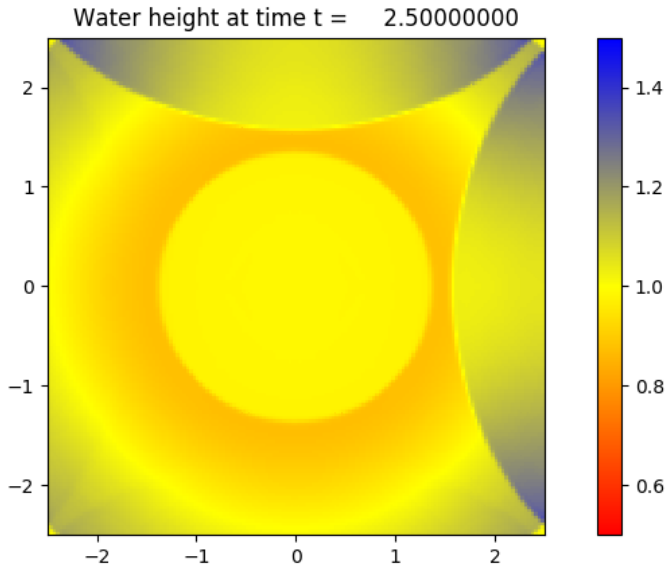
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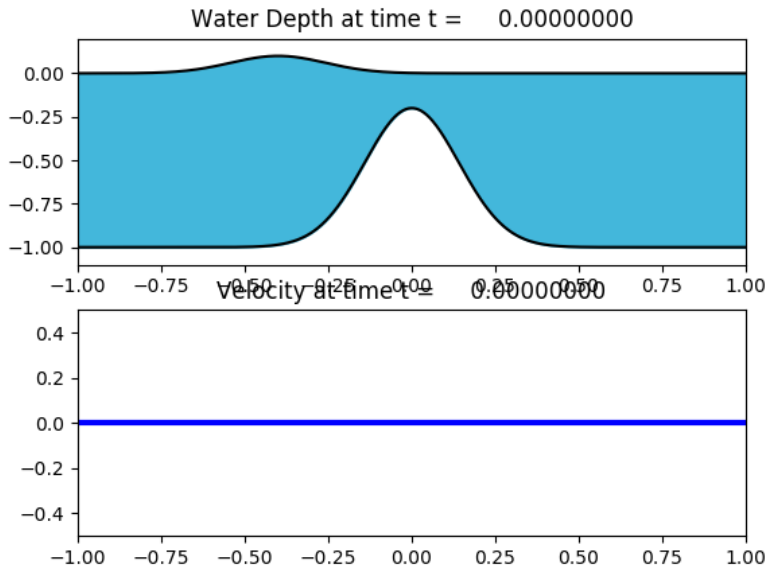
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## Shallow water equations with bathymetry

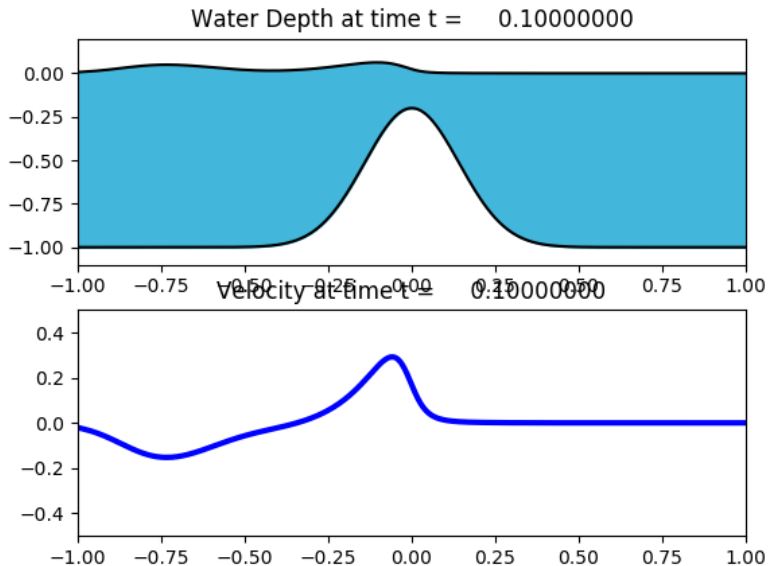
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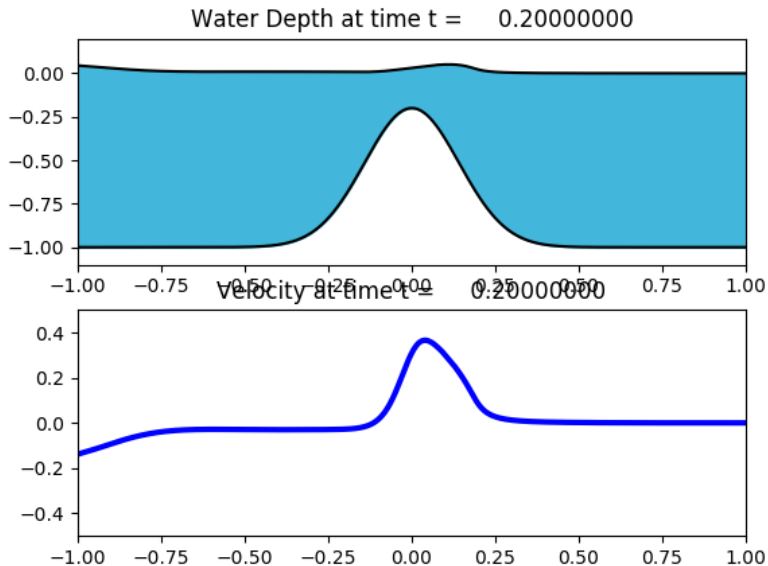




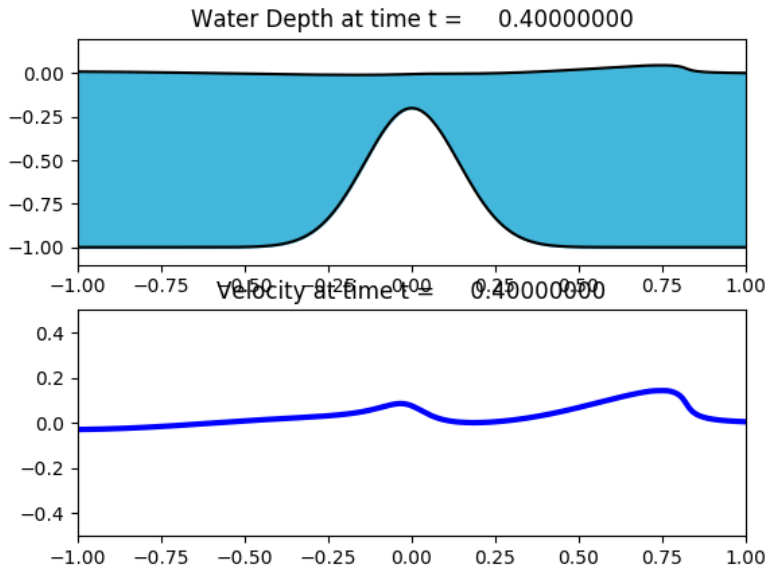
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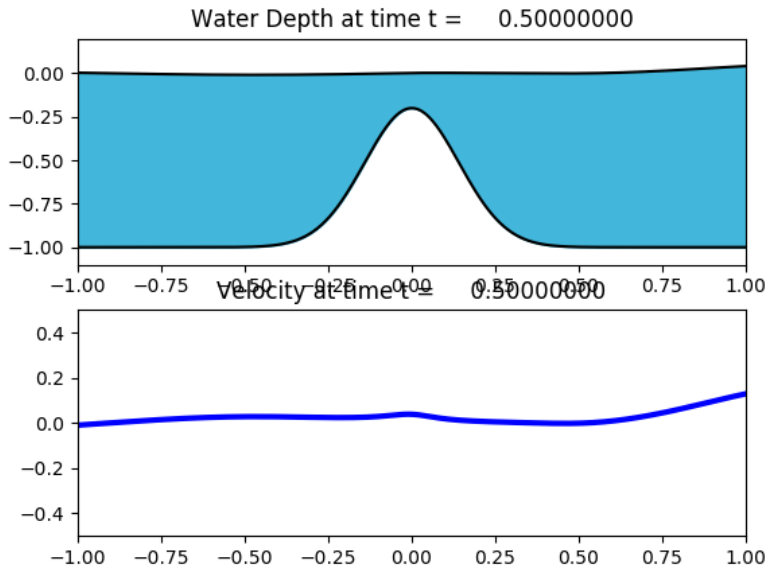
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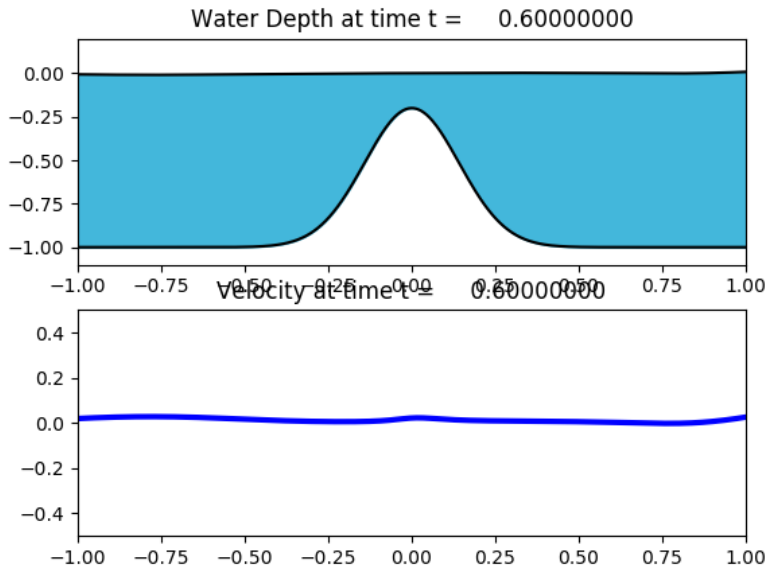
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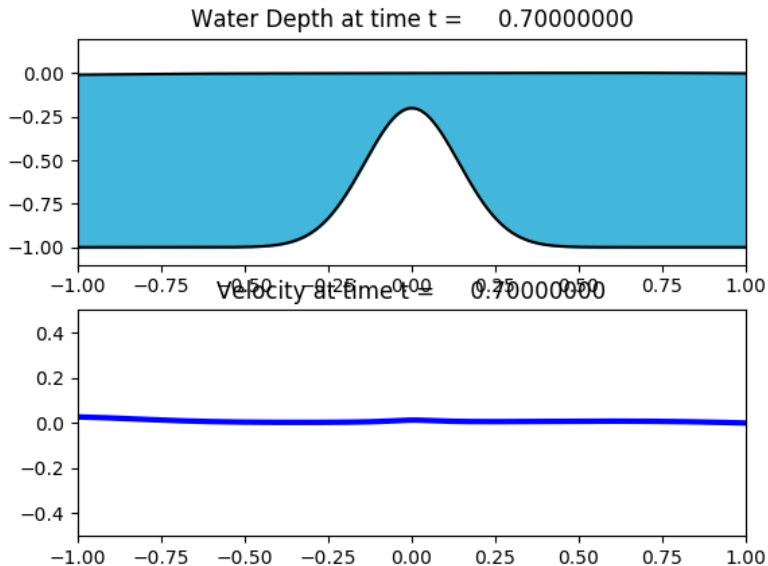
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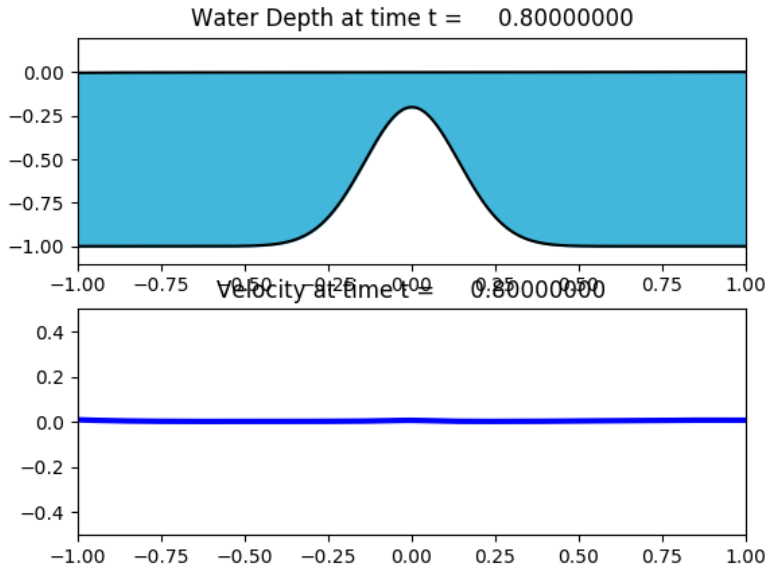
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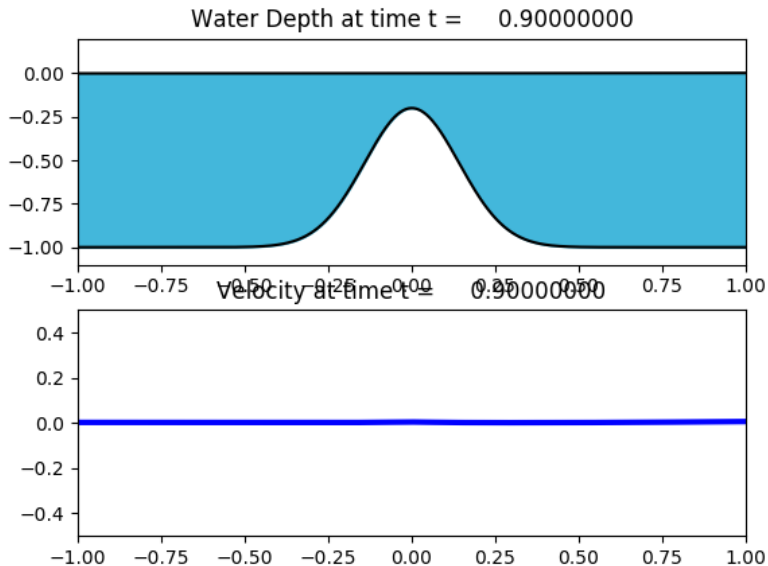
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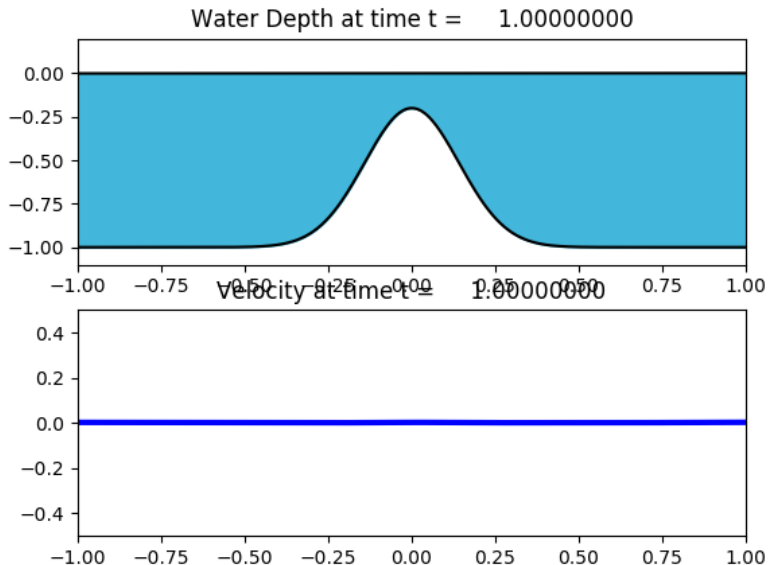


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# How to actually implement Finite Volumes

- ▶ PDE:

$$\frac{\partial q}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 0$$

- ▶ Conservation form:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int q(x, t) dx = f(q(x_{left}, t)) - f(q(x_{right}, t))$$

- ▶ We use cell averages instead of pointwise values.

$$Q = \int q(x, t) dx$$

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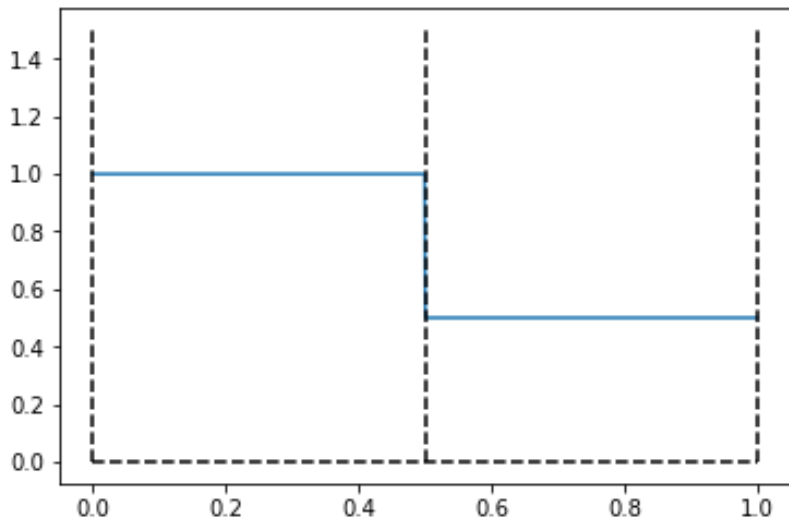


Figure 3: Start values

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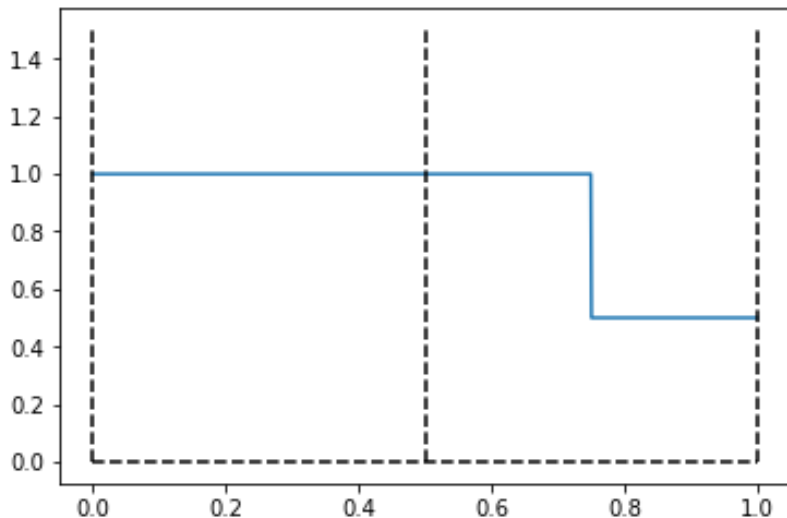


Figure 4: Estimate flow (flux) in timestep

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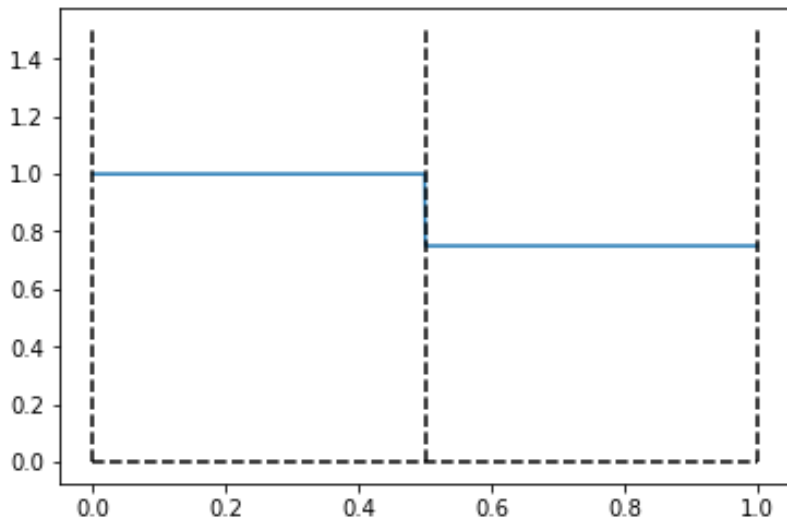


Figure 5: Update values

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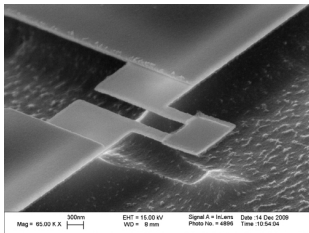
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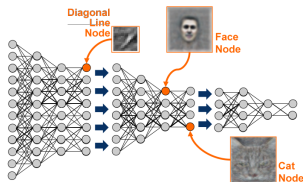
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(a) MEMS and Nanoscale devices



(b) Deep Learning

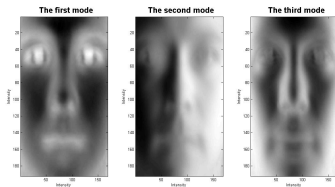


Figure 7: Singular Value Decomposition(SVD/PCA)

# Resources

- ▶ General
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- ▶ Scientific Computing
  - ▶ <http://courses.washington.edu/am301/>
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  - ▶ Spectral Methods in Matlab, Lloyd N. Trefethen
- ▶ Finite Volumes
  - ▶ Finite Volume Methods for Hyperbolic Problems, R.J. Leveque
  - ▶ Clawpack