

# Undular Bores of the Serre Equations

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# Undular Bores

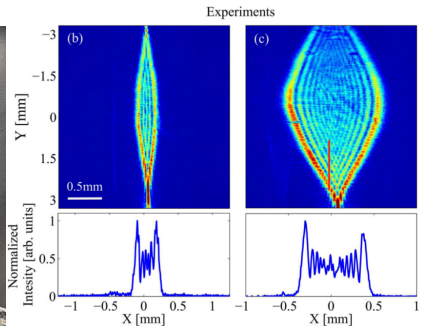


Figure: examples of undular bores from tidal flows to even optics.

# Dam Break

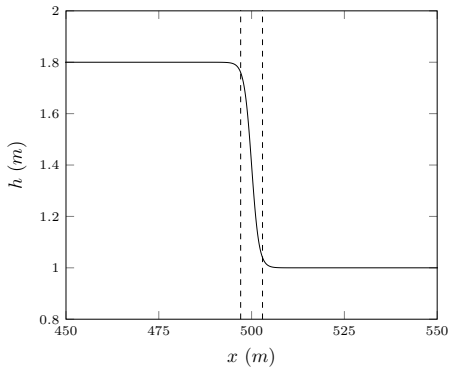
Fluid depth ( $h$ ) :

$$h(x, 0) = \begin{cases} h_1 & x \leq x_0 \\ h_0 & x > x_0 \end{cases}$$

Fluid velocity ( $u$ ) :

$$u(x, 0) = 0.0.$$

## Smoothing



**Figure:** Example of water profile of a smoothed dam break with a transition width  $\beta$  of 5.8888.

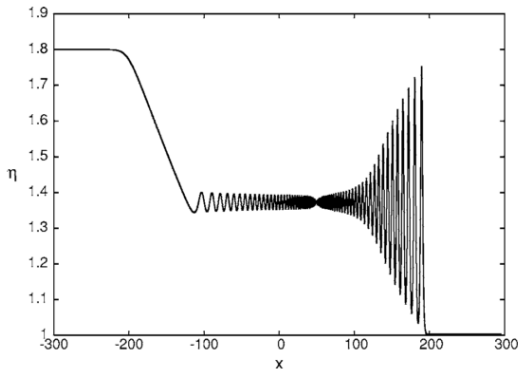
# Serre Equations

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

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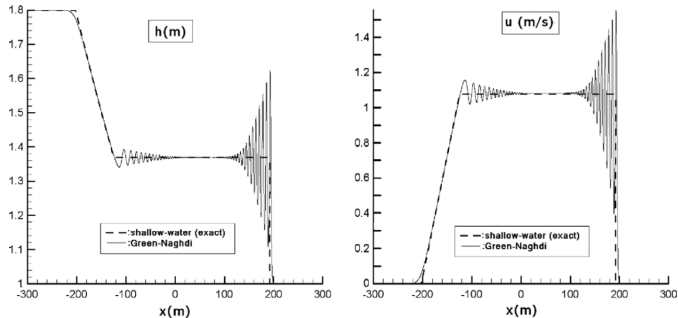
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## Literature Results



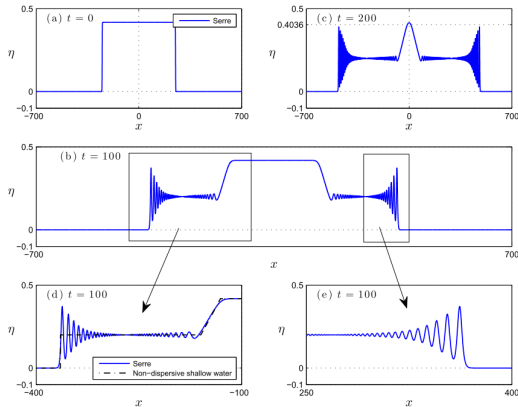
**Figure:** Fluid depth at 150s obtained from numerical method by El and Grimshaw (El et al., 2006).

## Numerical



**Figure:** Fluid depth at 48s obtained from numerical method by Le Métayer (Le Métayer et al., 2010) (The Serre equations are also known as the Green Naghdi equations).

## Numerical



**Figure:** Wave height at various times for the smoothed dam break problem obtained from numerical method by Mitsotakis (Mitsotakis et al., 2014).



# SWW equations

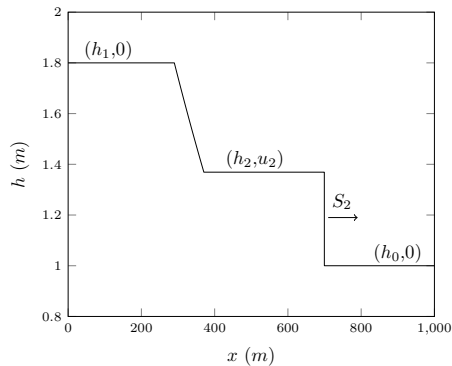


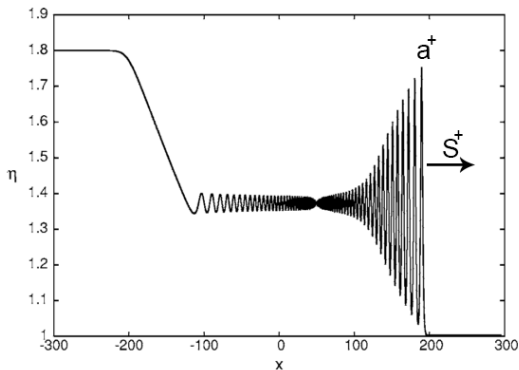
Figure: SWW analytic solution to dam break problem.

$$h_2 = \frac{h_0}{2} \left[ \sqrt{1 + 8 \left( \frac{2h_2}{h_2 - h_0} \frac{\sqrt{gh_1} - \sqrt{gh_2}}{\sqrt{gh_0}} \right)^2} - 1 \right],$$

$$u_2 = 2 \left( \sqrt{gh_1} - \sqrt{gh_2} \right),$$

$$S_2 = \frac{h_2 u_2}{h_2 - h_0}.$$

# El and Grimshaws Whitham Modulation



**Figure:** Whitham modulation values demonstrated on El and Grimshaws numerical results

$$\frac{\Delta}{(a^+ + 1)^{1/4}} - \left( \frac{3}{4 - \sqrt{a^+ + 1}} \right)^{21/10} \left( \frac{2}{1 + \sqrt{a^+ + 1}} \right)^{2/5} = 0$$

$$S^+ = \sqrt{g(a^+ + 1)}$$

where  $\Delta = \frac{h_1 - h_0}{h_0}$ . Appropriate when  $\Delta \leq 1.43$ .

# Findings

## Literature

- ▶ El and Grimshaws numerical and analytic results supported, but do not give the full picture.
- ▶ Le Métayers first order scheme is too diffusive.
- ▶ Mistotakis initial conditions were not sufficiently steep.
- ▶ SWW analytic solution is a useful guide for the mean behaviour of the fluid.

# Methods

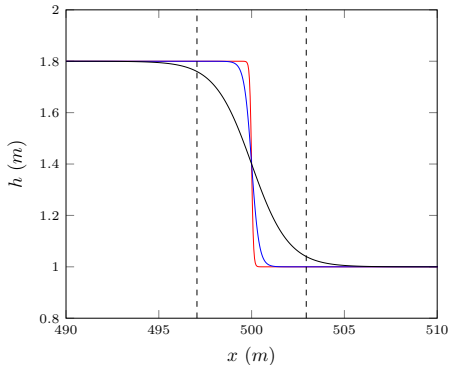
Le Métayer methods.

- ▶ First order
- ▶ Second order
- ▶ Third order

Finite Difference Method

- ▶ El and Grimshaws

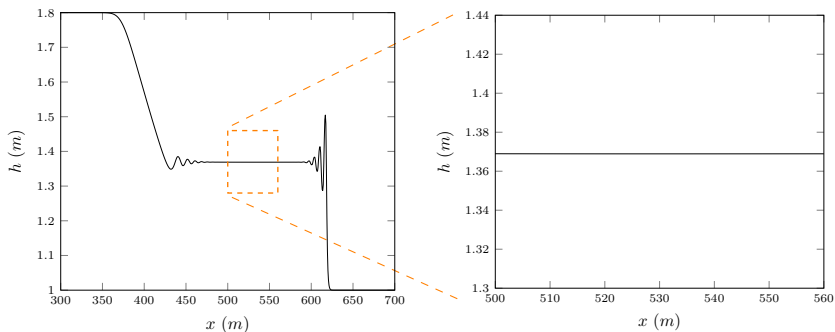
## Initial Conditions



**Figure:** Initial Conditions where  $\beta = 0.294$  (—),  $\beta = 1.17778$  (—),  $\beta = 5.8888$  (—) with reference  $\beta$  interval(— —).

## Water Profile

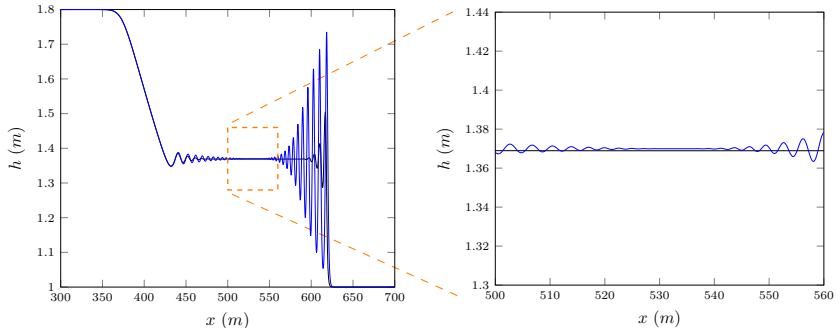
$$\beta = 5.8888$$



**Figure:** Numerical results of third order Le Métayer method at 30s with  $\Delta x = \frac{10}{2^4}$  (—).

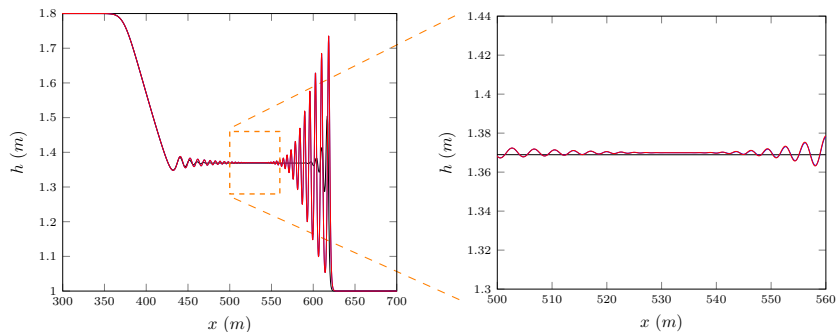


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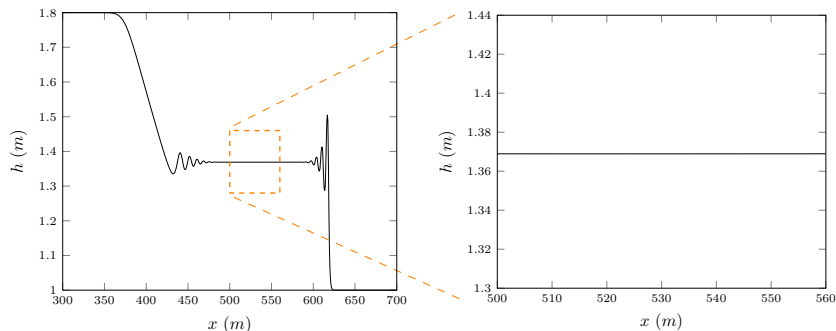
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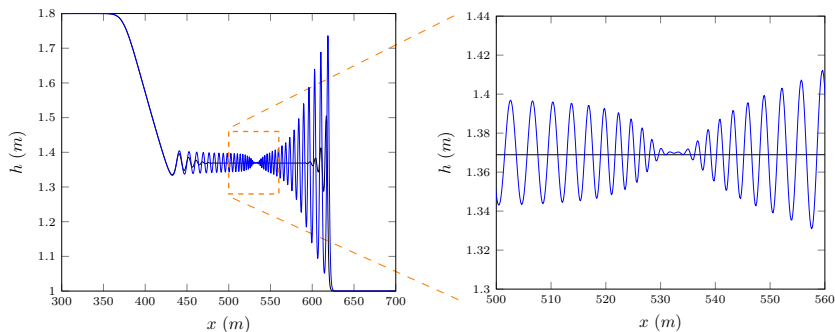
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$$\beta = 1.17778$$



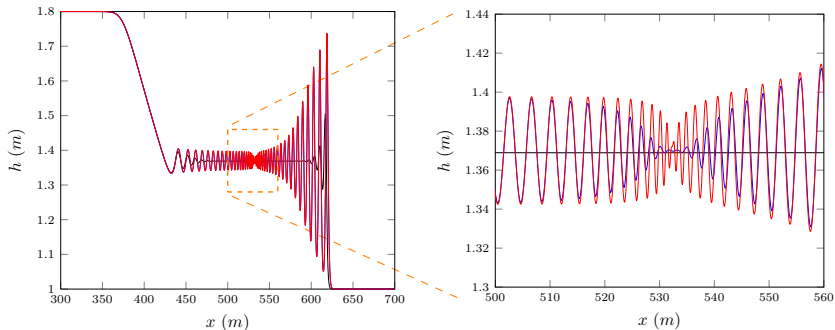
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## Dispersion Relation

The dispersion relation for the linearised Serre equations is

$$\omega = u_0 k \pm k \sqrt{gh_0} \sqrt{\frac{3}{h_0^2 k^2 + 3}}$$

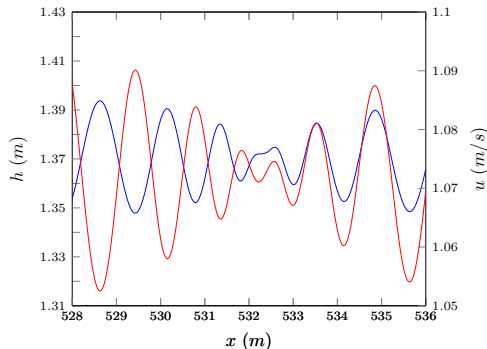
Thus the phase speed is

$$v_p = u_0 \pm \sqrt{gh_0} \sqrt{\frac{3}{h_0^2 k^2 + 3}}$$

Taking  $k \rightarrow 0$  we see  $v_p \rightarrow u_0 \pm \sqrt{gh_0}$

Taking  $k \rightarrow \infty$  we see  $v_p \rightarrow u_0$

# Contact Discontinuity



**Figure:** plot of  $h$  (—) and  $u$  (—) around contact discontinuity for third order Le Métayer method with  $\Delta x = \frac{10}{2^{10}}$  at 30s.

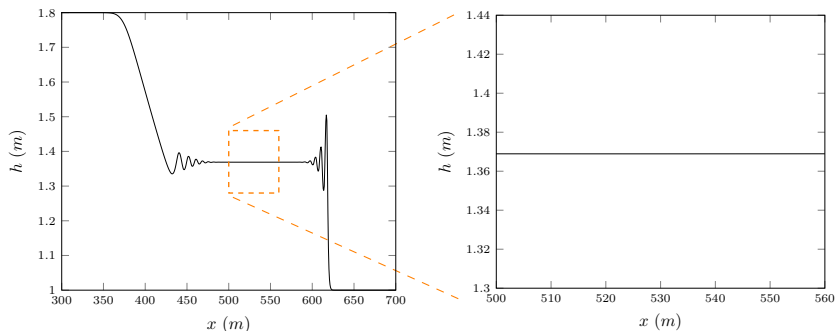
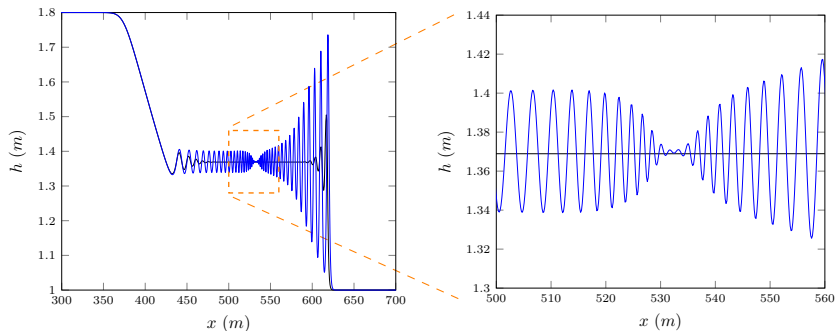
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Figure: Numerical results of third order Le Métayer method at 30s with a  $\Delta x$  of  $\frac{10}{24}$  (—).

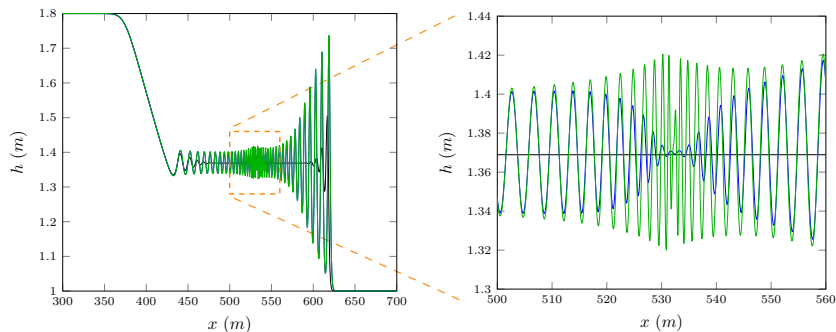


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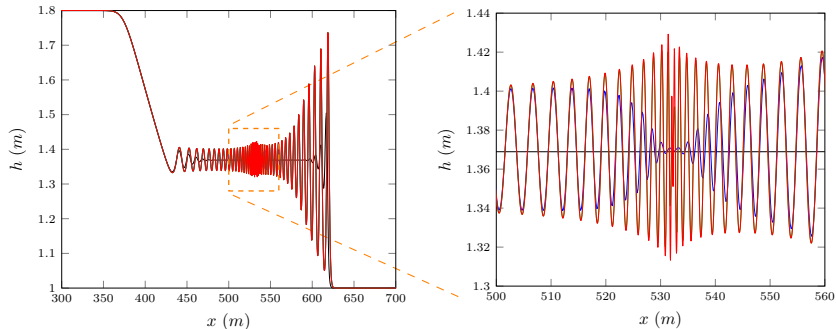
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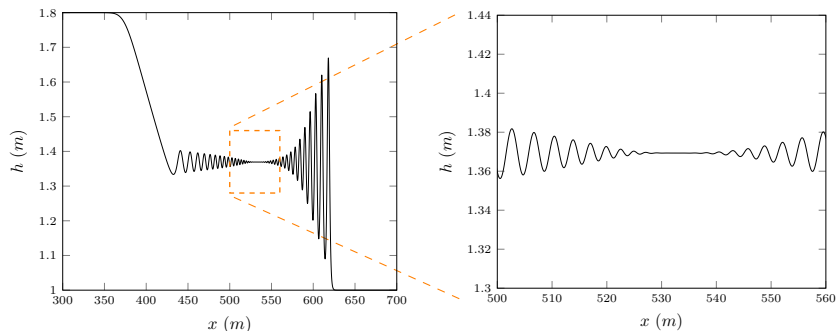
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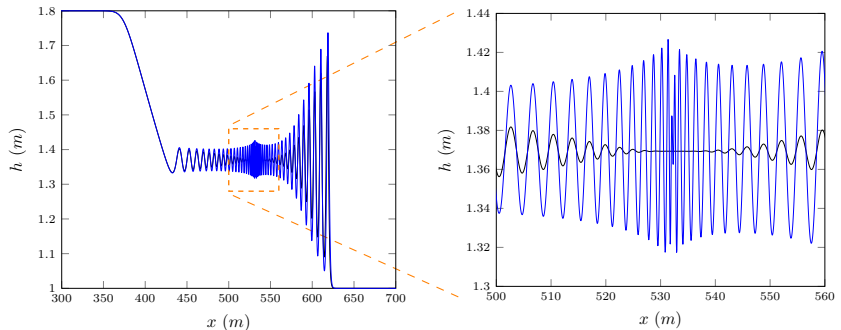
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# $\beta = 0.294$ Various Models



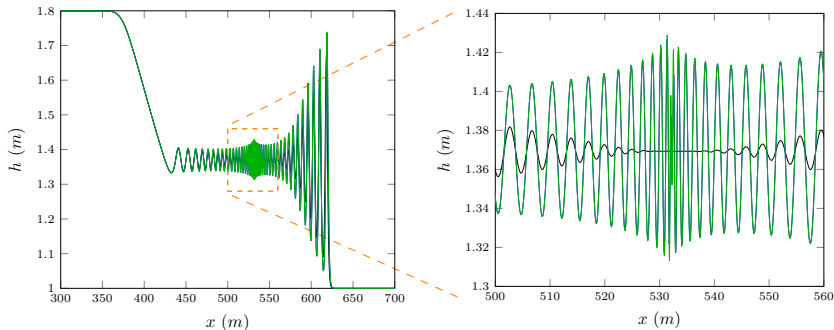
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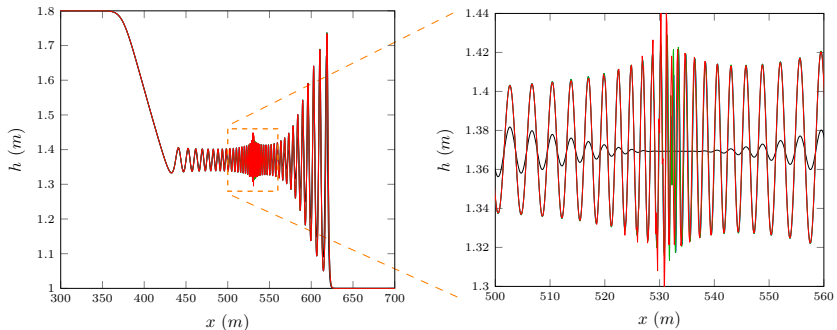
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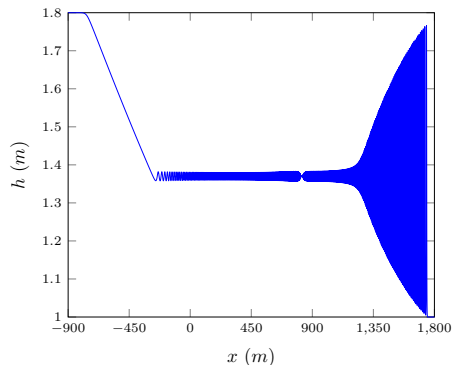


**Figure:** Numerical results at 30s with a  $\Delta x = \frac{10}{2^{10}}$  for the first order (—), second order (—) and third order (—) Le Métayer method.

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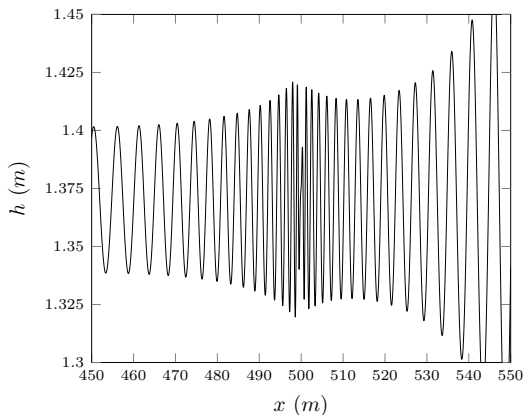
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$\beta = 0.294$  Long Time

**Figure:** Numerical results at 300s with  $\Delta x = 10/2^9$  for third-order Le Métayer Method.

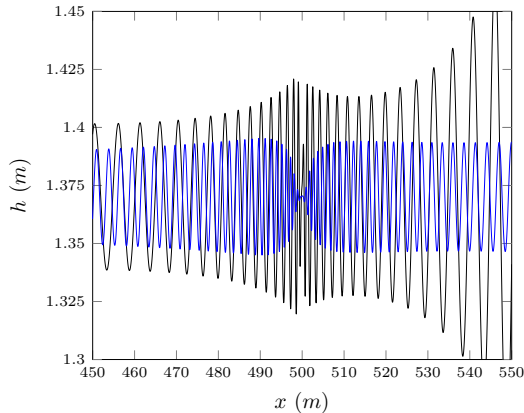


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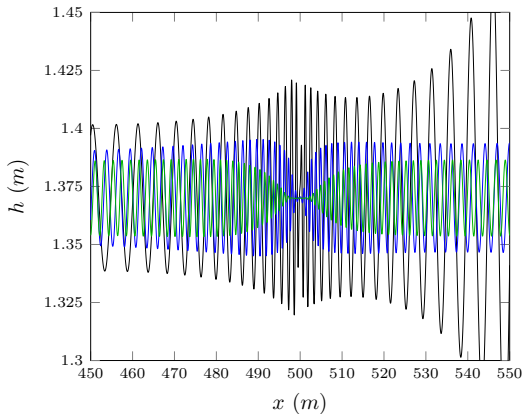
**Figure:** Translated numerical results with  $\Delta x = 10/2^9$  at 30s (—) using third order Le Métayer method.

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**Figure:** Translated numerical results with  $\Delta x = 10/2^9$  at 30s (—) , 100s (—) using third order Le Métayer method.

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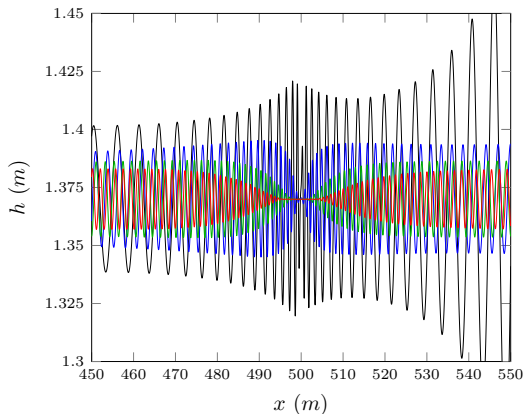


Figure: Translated numerical results with  $\Delta x = 10/2^9$  at 30s (—) , 100s (—) , 200s (—) and 300s (—) using third order Le Métayer method.



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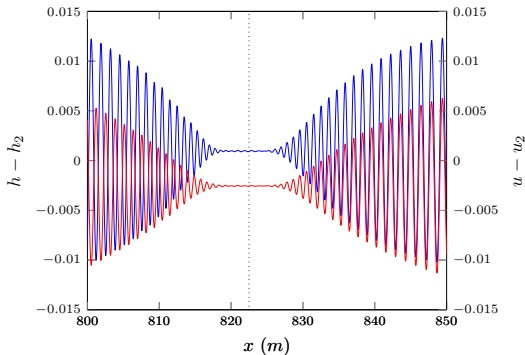
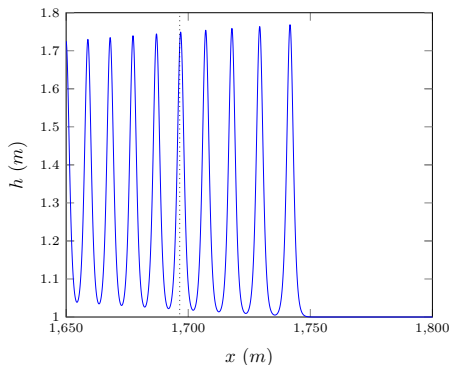
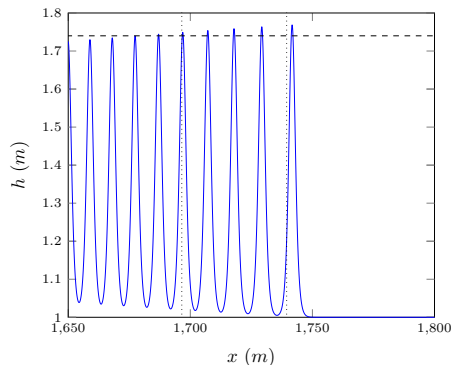


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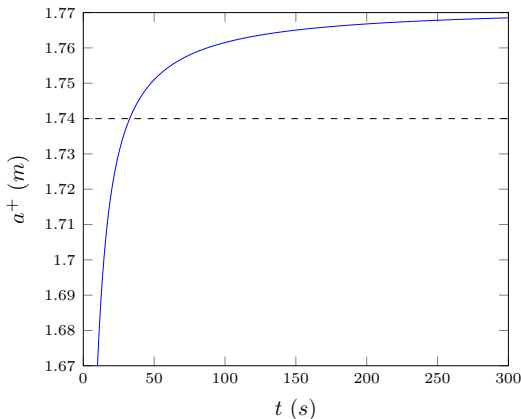
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## Els Analytic Comparison



**Figure:** Plot of lead oscillation amplitude over time for third order Le Métayer method with  $\Delta x = \frac{10}{29}$  at 300s with analytic comparison (— —)

# Conclusions

## Literature

- ▶ Supports Els results
  - ▶ Best numerical results for the dam break problem
  - ▶  $a^+$  seems to underestimate lead oscillation amplitude
  - ▶  $S^+$  underestimates speed
- ▶ Le Métayers first order scheme is too diffusive
- ▶ Mistotakis initial conditions were not sufficiently steep
- ▶ SWW analytic solution is a useful guide for the mean bore height  $h_2$  (underestimate), mean bore velocity  $u_2$  (overestimate) and speed of the bore  $S_2$  (underestimate)

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## Zoom in on $u$ and $h$

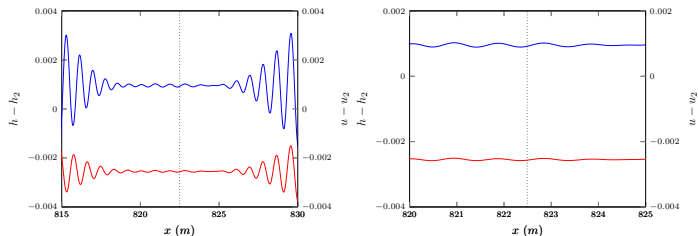
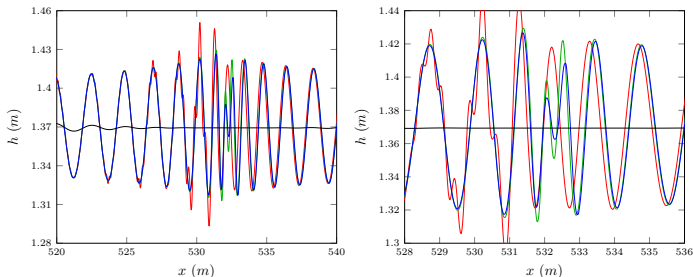


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## Supplementary Plots

## Zoom in on all Models



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# Serre Equations

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Serre Equations

## Conservation Law Form

New conserved quantity

$$G = uh - h^2 \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} - \frac{h^3}{3} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}. \quad (6)$$

Reformulated equations

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(uh)}{\partial x} = 0 \quad (7a)$$

$$\frac{\partial G}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( Gu + \frac{gh^2}{2} - \frac{2h^3}{3} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right) = 0 \quad (7b)$$

# Basic Overview

Vector of conserved quantities:

$$\mathbf{U} = \begin{bmatrix} h \\ G \end{bmatrix}$$

Algorithm:

$$\mathcal{H}(\bar{\mathbf{U}}^n, \Delta x, \Delta t) = \begin{cases} \mathbf{U}^n & = \mathcal{M}(\bar{\mathbf{U}}^n) \\ \mathbf{u}^n & = \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{U}^n, \Delta x) \\ \bar{\mathbf{U}}^{n+1} & = \mathcal{L}(\bar{\mathbf{U}}^n, \mathbf{u}^n, \Delta x, \Delta t) \end{cases} .$$