



Module 03: Groundwater Hydraulics

Unit 04: Unsteady Two-Dimensional Flow using Finite Volume Method

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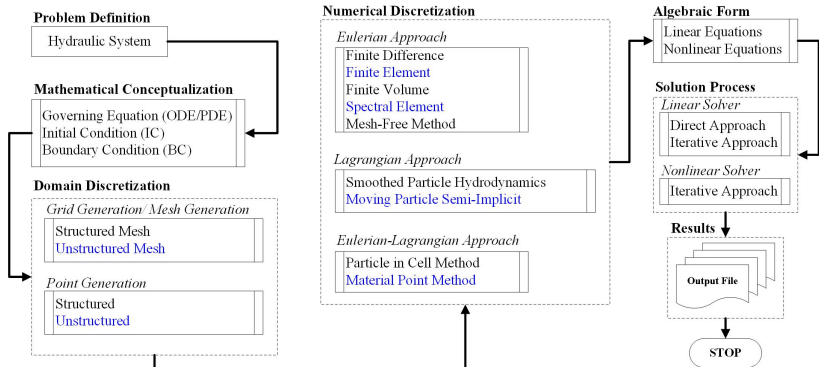


Learning Objective

- To solve unsteady state two dimensional groundwater flow equation using Finite Volume Method.



Problem Definition to Solution





Problem Definition

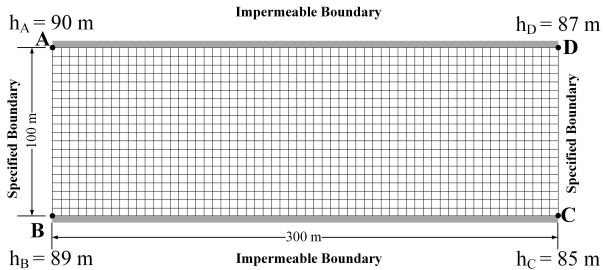


Figure: Homogeneous Aquifer System



Problem Definition

Governing equation

A two-dimensional (in space) IBVP can be written as,

$$\Omega : \quad \frac{S}{T} \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 h}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 h}{\partial y^2}$$

$$S = 5 \times 10^{-5}$$
$$T = 200 \text{ m}^2/\text{day}$$



Problem Definition

subject to

Initial Condition

$$h(x, y, 0) = h_0(x, y)$$

and

Boundary Condition

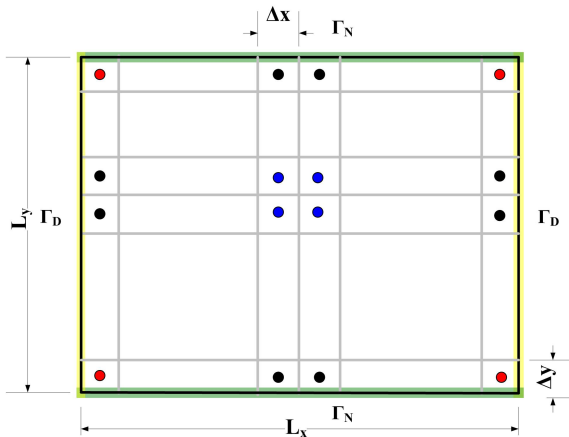
$$\Gamma_D^1 : h(0, y, t) = h_1(y)$$

$$\Gamma_D^2 : h(L_x, y, t) = h_2(y)$$

$$\Gamma_N^3 : \left. \frac{\partial h}{\partial y} \right|_{(x, 0, t)} = 0$$

$$\Gamma_N^4 : \left. \frac{\partial h}{\partial y} \right|_{(x, L_y, t)} = 0$$

Domain Discretization





Implicit Scheme

From [Lecture 15](#),

$$\frac{S}{T} \frac{h_P^{l+1} - h_P^l}{\Delta t} \Delta x \Delta y = \left[\left(\frac{\partial h}{\partial x} \right)_e^{l+1} - \left(\frac{\partial h}{\partial x} \right)_w^{l+1} \right] \Delta y + \left[\left(\frac{\partial h}{\partial y} \right)_n^{l+1} - \left(\frac{\partial h}{\partial y} \right)_s^{l+1} \right] \Delta x$$

For interior points,

$$\left(\frac{\partial h}{\partial x} \right)_e^{l+1} = \frac{h_E^{l+1} - h_P^{l+1}}{\Delta x}$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial h}{\partial x} \right)_w^{l+1} = \frac{h_P^{l+1} - h_W^{l+1}}{\Delta x}$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial h}{\partial y} \right)_n^{l+1} = \frac{h_N^{l+1} - h_P^{l+1}}{\Delta y}$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial h}{\partial y} \right)_s^{l+1} = \frac{h_P^{l+1} - h_S^{l+1}}{\Delta y}$$



Implicit Scheme

$$\frac{S}{T} \frac{h_P^{l+1} - h_P^l}{\Delta t} = \frac{h_E^{l+1} - 2h_P^{l+1} + h_W^{l+1}}{\Delta x^2} + \frac{h_N^{l+1} - 2h_P^{l+1} + h_S^{l+1}}{\Delta y^2}$$

In simplified form, this can be written as

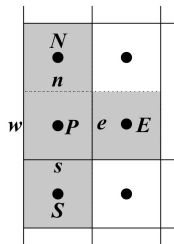
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with $\alpha_x = \frac{T\Delta t}{S\Delta x^2}$ and $\alpha_y = \frac{T\Delta t}{S\Delta y^2}$.



Boundary Conditions

Left and Right Boundary



$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{\partial h}{\partial x} \right)_e^{l+1} &= \frac{h_E^{l+1} - h_P^{l+1}}{\Delta x} & \left(\frac{\partial h}{\partial x} \right)_w^{l+1} &= \frac{-8h_{BW}^{l+1} + 9h_P^{l+1} - h_E^{l+1}}{3\Delta x} \\ \left(\frac{\partial h}{\partial y} \right)_n^{l+1} &= \frac{h_N^{l+1} - h_P^{l+1}}{\Delta y} & \left(\frac{\partial h}{\partial y} \right)_s^{l+1} &= \frac{h_P^{l+1} - h_S^{l+1}}{\Delta y} \end{aligned}$$



Implicit Scheme

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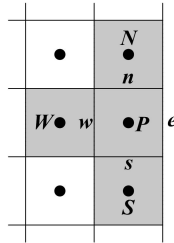
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$$\alpha_y h_S^{l+1} - [1 + 2(2\alpha_x + \alpha_y)] h_P^{l+1} + \frac{4}{3} \alpha_x h_E^{l+1} + \alpha_y h_N^{l+1} = -h_P^l - \frac{8}{3} \alpha_x h_{BW}^{l+1}$$



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$$\left(\frac{\partial h}{\partial x}\right)_e^{l+1} = \frac{8h_{BE}^{l+1} - 9h_P^{l+1} + h_W^{l+1}}{3\Delta x} \quad \left(\frac{\partial h}{\partial x}\right)_w^{l+1} = \frac{h_P^{l+1} - h_W^{l+1}}{\Delta x}$$

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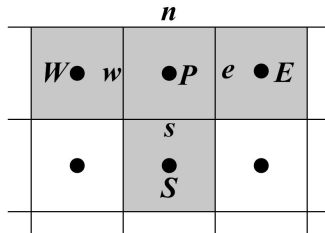
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Boundary Conditions

Top and Bottom Boundary



$$\left(\frac{\partial h}{\partial x}\right)_e^{l+1} = \frac{h_E^{l+1} - h_P^{l+1}}{\Delta x} \quad \left(\frac{\partial h}{\partial x}\right)_w^{l+1} = \frac{h_P^{l+1} - h_W^{l+1}}{\Delta x}$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial h}{\partial y}\right)_n^{l+1} = \frac{8h_{BN}^{l+1} - 9h_P^{l+1} + h_S^{l+1}}{3\Delta y} = 0 \quad \left(\frac{\partial h}{\partial y}\right)_s^{l+1} = \frac{h_P^{l+1} - h_S^{l+1}}{\Delta y}$$



Implicit Scheme

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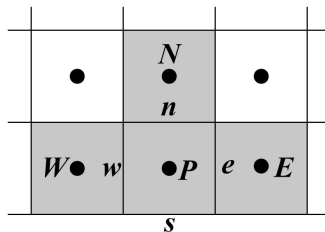
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Implicit Scheme

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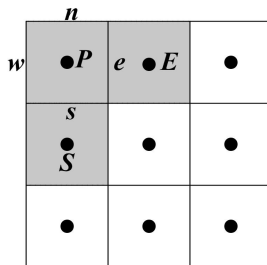
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N-W Corner



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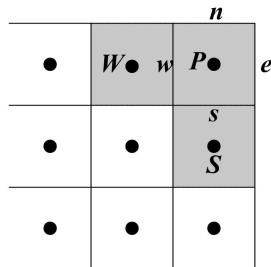
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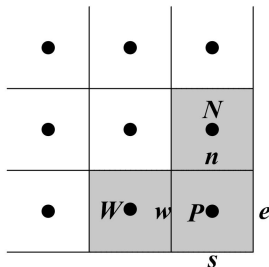
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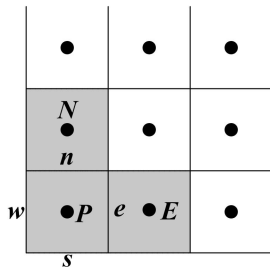
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General Form

In general form, the governing equation including boundary conditions can be written as,

$$a_S h_S^{l+1} + a_W h_W^{l+1} + a_P h_P^{l+1} + a_E h_E^{l+1} + a_N h_N^{l+1} = r_P$$



Source Code

Unsteady Two Dimensional Groundwater Flow with Finite Volume Method

- Without coefficient matrix using Gauss Seidel
 - [unsteady_2D_fvm_conf_implicit_iterative.sci](#)



Thank You