



## Module 04: Surface Water Hydraulics

### Unit 01: Gradually Varied Flow

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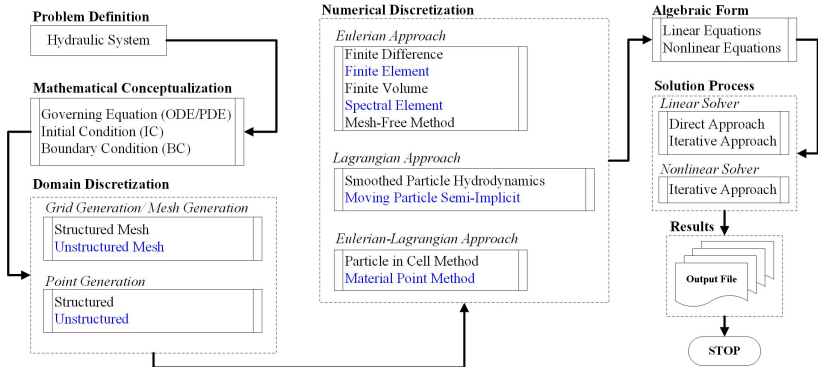


## Learning Objective

- To solve gradually varied flow problem for open channels.



# Problem Definition to Solution





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where

$y$  = depth of flow

$x$  = coordinate direction

$S_0$  = bed slope

$S_f$  = friction slope =  $\left( \frac{n^2 Q^2}{R^{4/3} A^2} \right)$

$Fr$  = Froude number =  $\left( \sqrt{\frac{Q^2 T}{g A^3}} \right)$

$Q$  = discharge

$T$  = top width

$g$  = acceleration due to gravity

$R$  = hydraulic radius

$A$  = cross-sectional area.



# Problem Definition

## Gradually Varied Flow in Open Channel

From [Lecture 7](#), in general format

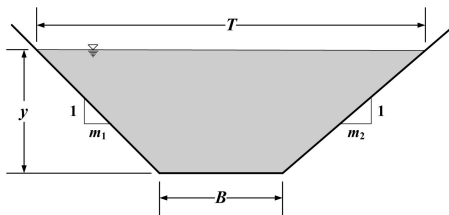
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \Psi(x, y)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}\Psi(x, y) &= \frac{S_0 - S_f}{1 - Fr^2} \\ &= \frac{S_0 - \frac{n^2 Q^2}{R^{4/3} A^2}}{1 - \frac{Q^2 T}{g A^3}}\end{aligned}$$



## Trapezoidal Cross-section



$$A = By + \frac{1}{2}(m_1 + m_2)y^2$$

$$P = B + \left( \sqrt{1 + m_1^2} + \sqrt{1 + m_2^2} \right) y$$

$$R = \frac{A}{P}$$

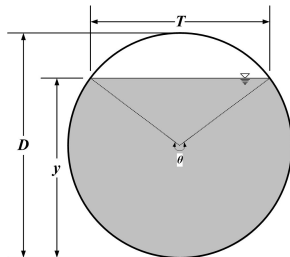
$$T = B + (m_1 + m_2)y$$

where  $P$  = wetted perimeter.





## Circular Cross-section



$$A = \frac{1}{8}(\theta - \sin \theta)D^2$$

$$P = \frac{1}{2}\theta D$$

$$R = \frac{A}{P}$$

$$T = D \sin \left( \frac{\theta}{2} \right)$$



# Problem Definition

## Critical Depth

For critical depth,  $Fr = 1$

$$Fr = \sqrt{\frac{Q^2 T}{g A^3}} = 1$$

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$$\sqrt{\frac{Q^2 T}{g A^3}} = 1$$

$$y_c = \left( \frac{Q^2}{g B^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$



# Problem Definition

## Normal Depth

Normal depth can be calculated from Manning's equation (uniform flow),

$$Q = \frac{1}{n} R^{\frac{2}{3}} S_0^{\frac{1}{2}} A$$

In case of rectangular channel,  $A = By_n$  and  $P = B + 2y_n$

$$Q = \frac{1}{n} \left( \frac{By_n}{B + 2y_n} \right)^{\frac{2}{3}} S_0^{\frac{1}{2}} By_n$$

In function form,

$$G(y_n) = \frac{S_0^{\frac{1}{2}} B^{\frac{5}{3}}}{n} \left( \frac{y_n}{B + 2y_n} \right)^{\frac{2}{3}} y_n - Q = 0$$



# Problem Definition

## Normal Depth

From Newton-Raphson method,

$$y_n|^{(p)} = y_n|^{(p-1)} - \frac{G(y_n|^{(p-1)})}{G'(y_n|^{(p-1)})}$$

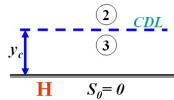
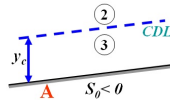
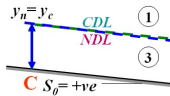
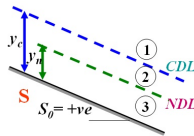
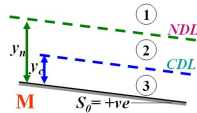
where

$$G'(y_n) = \frac{S_0^{\frac{1}{2}} B^{\frac{5}{3}}}{3n} \frac{y_n^{\frac{2}{3}} (5B + 6y_n)}{(B + 2y_n)^{\frac{5}{3}}}$$



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## Possible Flow Conditions





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## Summary of the Flow Conditions

Channel Category	Symbol	Characteristic Condition	Remark
Mild slope	M	$y_n > y_c$	Subcritical flow at normal depth
Steep slope	S	$y_n < y_c$	Supercritical flow at normal depth
Critical Slope	C	$y_n = y_c$	Critical flow at normal depth
Horizontal Bed Slope	H	$S_0 = 0$	Cannot sustain uniform flow
Adverse slope	A	$S_0 < 0$	Cannot sustain uniform flow



# Forward Euler Method

## Euler Method

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \Delta x \Psi(x_n, y_n)$$

Order of Euler's method:  $\mathcal{O}(\Delta x)$



# Modified Euler Method

## First Approach

### Modified Euler Method

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + K_2$$

with

$$K_2 = \Delta x \Psi \left( x_n + \frac{\Delta x}{2}, y_n + \frac{1}{2} K_1 \right)$$

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# Euler-Cauchy method

## Second Approach

### Modified Euler Method

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{1}{2} [K_1 + K_2]$$

with

$$K_2 = \Delta x \Psi(x_n + \Delta x, y_n + K_1)$$

$$K_1 = \Delta x \Psi(x_n, y_n)$$

Order of Modified Euler method:  $\mathcal{O}(\Delta x^2)$



## Second Order RK Method (RK2)

### RK2

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{1}{4} [K_1 + 3K_2]$$

with

$$K_1 = \Delta x \Psi(x_n, y_n)$$

$$K_2 = \Delta x \Psi\left(x_n + \frac{2}{3}\Delta x, y_n + \frac{2}{3}K_1\right)$$

Order of RK2 method:  $\mathcal{O}(\Delta x^2)$



## Third Order RK Method (RK3)

### RK3

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{1}{6}(K_1 + 4K_2 + K_3)$$

with

$$K_1 = \Delta x \Psi(x_n, y_n)$$

$$K_2 = \Delta x \Psi(x_n + \frac{1}{2}\Delta x, y_n + \frac{1}{2}K_1)$$

$$K_3 = \Delta x \Psi(x_n + \Delta x, y_n - K_1 + 2K_2)$$

Order of RK3 method:  $\mathcal{O}(\Delta x^3)$



## Fourth Order RK Method (RK4)

$RK_4$  can be presented as,

**RK4**

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{1}{6}(K_1 + 2K_2 + 2K_3 + K_4)$$

with

$$K_1 = \Delta x \Psi(x_n, y_n)$$

$$K_2 = \Delta x \Psi(x_n + \frac{1}{2}\Delta x, y_n + \frac{1}{2}K_1)$$

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Order of RK3 method:  $\mathcal{O}(\Delta x^4)$



# List of Source Codes

## Gradually Varied Flow

- Forward Euler approach
  - [forward\\_euler.sci](#)
- Modified Euler approach
  - [modified\\_euler\\_1st.sci](#)
  - [modified\\_euler\\_2nd.sci](#)
- RK2 approach
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- RK3 approach
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- RK4 approach
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