

Refinement of the Hybrid Finite Volume Methods for the Serre equations for Rapidly Varying Flows and Dry Beds.

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Chapter 1

Introduction

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Chapter 2

The Serre Equations

2.1 The Equations

There are three primary ways in which the Serre equations have been derived from the Euler equations in the literature; by asymptotic expansion [1, 2], directed fluid sheets [3] and depth integration [4, 5]. In this thesis the depth integration view of the equations is taken, although the derivation is omitted given the extent of literature already available.

From the depth-integration approach the Serre equations describe a free surface fluid defined by its height $h(x, t)$ above a stationary bed profile $b(x)$ with depth average of its horizontal velocity $u(x, t)$ as in Figure 2.1. The derivation is similar to that of the Shallow Water Wave Equations (SWWE) [], except for the Serre equations the vertical velocity $v(x, z, t)$ varies linearly with depth and is given by []

$$v(x, z, t) = u \frac{\partial b}{\partial x} - (z - b) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}. \quad (2.1)$$

Because the vertical velocity of the Serre equations is not 0 throughout the depth of water as in the SWWE, the Serre equations possess a non-hydrostatic pressure distribution.

By depth integrating the Euler equations [] with a no-slip condition at the bed and a free surface condition at the free surface we obtain the depth integrated approximation of the conservation of mass and momentum equations

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(uh)}{\partial x} = 0, \quad (2.2a)$$

$$\frac{\partial(uh)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(u^2 h + \frac{gh^2}{2} + \frac{h^2}{2} \Psi + \frac{h^3}{3} \Phi \right) + \frac{\partial b}{\partial x} \left(gh + h\Psi + \frac{h^2}{2} \Phi \right) = 0 \quad (2.2b)$$

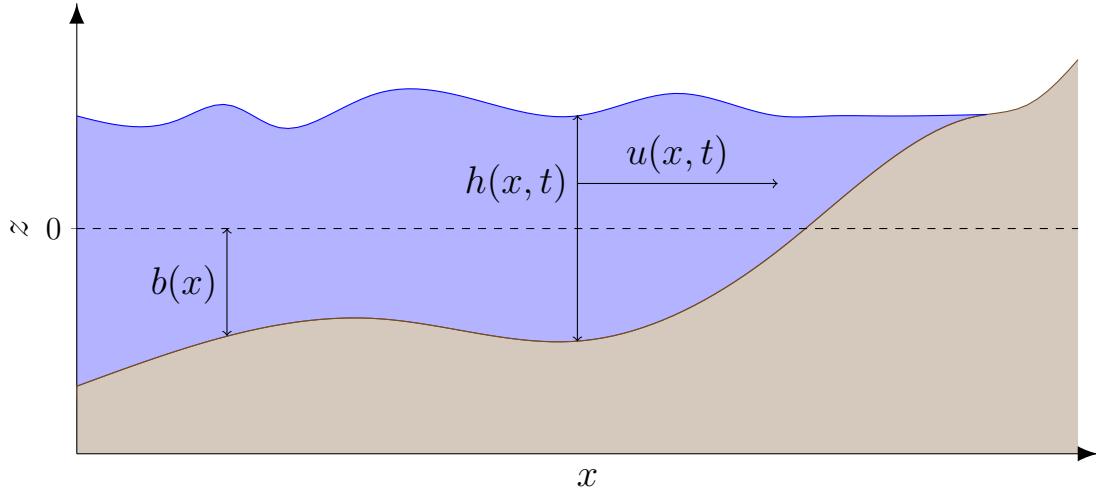


Figure 2.1: Diagram demonstrating the quantities used to describe the fluid (■) and the bed (□) for the Serre equations.

where the Φ and Ψ terms account for the non-hydrostatic part of the pressure and are

$$\Psi = \frac{\partial b}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right) + u^2 \frac{\partial^2 b}{\partial x^2}, \quad (2.3a)$$

$$\Phi = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} - u \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial t}. \quad (2.3b)$$

When $\Phi = \Psi = 0$ the Serre equations are equivalent to the SWWE where the vertical velocity is 0, only the hydrostatic pressure is present and there is no dispersion. Due to the presence of the Φ and Ψ terms the Serre equations are much more difficult to solve analytically and numerically than the SWWE. The primary reason for this is that whilst the SWWE are hyperbolic for finite water depth, the Serre equations are neither hyperbolic nor parabolic. Furthermore the Serre equations are not in conservation law form due to the presence of temporal derivatives in Φ and Ψ , although they are derived from conservation equations.

For a horizontal bed $\partial b / \partial x = 0$, $\Psi = 0$ and so the Serre equations reduce to

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(uh)}{\partial x} = 0, \quad (2.4a)$$

$$\frac{\partial(uh)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(u^2 h + \frac{gh^2}{2} + \frac{h^3}{3} \Phi \right) = 0. \quad (2.4b)$$

These equations are neither hyperbolic nor parabolic and are not in conservation law form as Φ contains a temporal derivative. As such even for horizontal beds

the Serre equations are more challenging to solve analytically and numerically than the SWWE.

2.1.1 Alternative form of the Serre Equations

A major hurdle for developing numerical methods for the Serre equations is the presence of the mixed temporal and spatial derivative in Φ and Ψ (2.3). By rewriting the Serre equations and introducing a new conserved quantity G [6, 5, 7], the mixed temporal and spatial derivative can be removed and the Serre equations can be written in conservation law form.

Definition 2.1. The conserved quantity G is

$$G = hu \left(1 + \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} \frac{\partial b}{\partial x} + \frac{1}{2} h \frac{\partial^2 b}{\partial x^2} + \left[\frac{\partial b}{\partial x} \right]^2 \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{1}{3} h^3 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right).$$

The Serre equations (2.2) can then rewritten as conservation laws with a source term for the conserved variables h and G

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(uh)}{\partial x} = 0, \tag{2.5a}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial G}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(uG + \frac{gh^2}{2} - \frac{2}{3} h^3 \left[\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right]^2 + h^2 u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \frac{\partial b}{\partial x} \right) \\ + \frac{1}{2} h^2 u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \frac{\partial^2 b}{\partial x^2} - hu^2 \frac{\partial b}{\partial x} \frac{\partial^2 b}{\partial x^2} + gh \frac{\partial b}{\partial x} = 0. \end{aligned} \tag{2.5b}$$

The conserved quantity G resembles h multiplied by the irrotationality [8, 9].

This conservation law form makes the Serre equations well suited to be numerically solved using a finite volume method for the conservation of mass and G equations, provided one can solve for u given h and G .

For a horizontal bed $\partial b/\partial x = 0$ the conservation law form of the Serre equa-

tions is

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(uh)}{\partial x} = 0, \quad (2.6a)$$

$$\frac{\partial G}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(uG + \frac{gh^2}{2} - \frac{2}{3}h^3 \left[\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right]^2 \right) = 0, \quad (2.6b)$$

$$G = hu - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{1}{3}h^3 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right). \quad (2.6c)$$

2.2 Properties of the Serre Equations

The Serre equations possess a number of properties that can be used to assess the veracity of numerical methods. Because if a numerical method approximates the Serre equations accurately then the properties of the numerical method should approximate the properties of the Serre equations. In this thesis the conservation properties, dispersion properties, analytic solutions of the Serre are employed and so are presented here.

To complement the available analytic solutions, the Serre equations are modified to force certain analytic solutions using a source term, which are called forced solutions. These forced solutions will be used to assess the validity of the numerical methods for a wider array of flow scenarios than possible given the limited number of analytic solutions for the Serre equations.

Finally the results of Pitt et al. [10] for the behaviour of the Serre equations in the presence of steep gradients are presented. These results satisfied one of the main objectives of the Thesis and contained behaviours that were not previously present in the literature.

2.2.1 Conservation Properties

Conservation of a quantity means that in a closed system the total amount of a quantity q remains constant in time.

Definition 2.2. The total amount of a quantity q in a system occurring on the interval $[a, b]$ at time t is

$$\mathcal{C}_q(t) = \int_a^b q(x, t) dx.$$

Conservation of a quantity q means that $\mathcal{C}_q(0) = \mathcal{C}_q(t)$ for all t . Given that the Serre equations (2.2) are conservation equations for mass and momentum and that the conservation of momentum equation can be rewritten as a conservation equation for G (2.5), the Serre equations conserve all these quantities. Additionally the Serre equations were derived by Green and Naghdi [3] by conserving the energy \mathcal{H}

$$\mathcal{H}(x, t) = \frac{1}{2} \left(g(h^2 + 2hb) + hu^2 + \frac{h^3}{3} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)^2 + u^2 h \left[\frac{\partial b}{\partial x} \right]^2 - uh^2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \frac{\partial b}{\partial x} \right). \quad (2.7)$$

The energy \mathcal{H} is the sum of the gravitational potential energy, the horizontal kinetic energy and the vertical kinetic energy which over the depth of water are

$$\int_b^{h+b} gz \, dx = g(h^2 + 2hb), \quad (2.8)$$

$$\int_b^{h+b} u^2 \, dx = hu^2, \quad (2.9)$$

$$\int_b^{h+b} v^2 \, dx = \frac{h^3}{3} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)^2 + u^2 h \left[\frac{\partial b}{\partial x} \right]^2 - uh^2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \frac{\partial b}{\partial x}, \quad (2.10)$$

respectively. For horizontal beds \mathcal{H} is also the Hamiltonian of the Serre equations [11].

For the system to be closed the flux terms of the conservation of mass and momentum equations at the boundaries must cancel and the integral of the source term over the domain must be zero.

2.2.2 Dispersion Properties

The dispersion properties of wave equations are primarily studied through linearising the equations, assuming periodic wave solutions and then deriving a relationship between the frequency ω and wave number k of these solutions. For the Serre equations the dispersion relation [] is

$$\omega = U k \pm k \sqrt{gH} \sqrt{\frac{3}{(kH)^2 + 3}}. \quad (2.11)$$

Barthélemy [12] compared this dispersion relation to that of the linear theory of water waves and demonstrated its utility when k is small. However when k is large the difference between the dispersion relation of the Serre equations and that of water wave theory increases. The dispersion relation of the Serre

equations can be modified by introducing terms to reduce this difference [12], but such modifications are beyond the scope of this thesis.

From the dispersion relation (2.11) the phase velocity $v_p = \omega/k$ and the group velocity $v_g = \partial\omega/\partial k$ can be written in terms of wave number as

$$v_p = U \pm \sqrt{gH} \sqrt{\frac{3}{(kH)^2 + 3}}, \quad (2.12a)$$

$$v_g = U \pm \sqrt{gH} \left(\sqrt{\frac{3}{(kH)^2 + 3}} \mp (kH)^2 \sqrt{\frac{3}{((kH)^2 + 3)^3}} \right). \quad (2.12b)$$

Since both the phase and group velocities depend on the wave number, waves of different wavelengths travel at different speeds meaning the Serre equations describe dispersive waves.

Fortunately, the phase velocity and the group velocity of waves are bounded, since as $k \rightarrow 0$ then $v_p, v_g \rightarrow U \pm \sqrt{gH}$ and as $k \rightarrow \infty$ then $v_p, v_g \rightarrow U$. Therefore we have that

$$U - \sqrt{gH} \leq v_p \leq U + \sqrt{gH}, \quad (2.13a)$$

$$U - \sqrt{gH} \leq v_g \leq U + \sqrt{gH}. \quad (2.13b)$$

2.2.3 Analytic Solutions

Few analytic solutions have been discovered for the Serre equations. In particular there is a travelling wave solution for horizontal beds and a lake at rest solution for any bathymetry. []

Solitary Travelling Wave Solution

The Serre equations admit a travelling wave solution that propagates at a constant speed without deformation due to a balance between nonlinear and dispersive effects. Unlike the Euler equations this travelling wave solution has a closed form

$$h(x, t) = a_0 + a_1 \operatorname{sech}(\kappa(x - ct)), \quad (2.14a)$$

$$u(x, t) = c \left(1 - \frac{a_0}{h(x, t)} \right), \quad (2.14b)$$

$$b(x) = 0 \quad (2.14c)$$

with

$$\kappa = \frac{\sqrt{3a_1}}{2a_0\sqrt{(a_0 + a_1)}},$$

$$c = \sqrt{g(a_0 + a_1)}.$$

From these equations G and the total amounts of the conserved quantities can be straightforwardly derived, these are presented in Appendix [] for reference.

This solitary wave solution has an amplitude of a_1 , an infinite wavelength and propagates on water a_0 deep. It is one particular example of a family of travelling periodic travelling wave solutions [13]. However, these solutions are not true solitons, due to their inelastic collisions with one another [14].

This analytic solution is a good test for the accuracy of numerical methods to solve the Serre equations with horizontal beds (2.6) for smooth solutions as all terms are smooth, vary in space and time and are non-zero inside the wave. Therefore, to accurately recreate this solitary wave the numerical method must have the appropriate accuracy for all terms in the equation. Additionally because this solution is a consequence of a balance between nonlinear and dispersive forces it can only be reproduced if the nonlinear and dispersive properties of the numerical scheme are properly balanced.

Lake at Rest

The lake at rest solution is a rudimentary stationary solution of the Serre equations that exists for all bathymetry $b(x)$, because of a balance between hydrostatic pressure and the forcing due to the bed slope. The lake at rest solution is

$$h(x, t) = \max \{a_0 - b(x), 0\}, \quad (2.15a)$$

$$u(x, t) = 0, \quad (2.15b)$$

$$G(x, t) = 0. \quad (2.15c)$$

It represents a quiescent body of water with a horizontal water surface or stage $w(x, t) = h(x, t) + b(x)$ over any bathymetry. The maximum function is included for the water depth to allow for dry regions of the bed when $b(x) > a_0$. We write these quantities in terms of $b(x)$ as this solution holds for all bed profiles, the corresponding total amounts of the conserved quantities in the system are given in Appendix [] for reference.

For these quantities (2.15) the Serre equations (2.5) reduce to

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial t} = 0,$$

$$\frac{\partial G}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{gh^2}{2} \right) + gh \frac{\partial b}{\partial x} = 0.$$

Since we have that $\partial h / \partial x = -\partial b / \partial x$ when $h \neq 0$, then G and h are constant in time and therefore so is u and thus we possess a stationary solution.

For naive numerical methods of the Serre equations the hydrostatic pressure and bed slope terms do not completely cancel causing numerical solutions of an initially still lake to produce nonphysical velocities, degrading their convergence. To combat this modifications are made so that these terms do completely cancel, leading to a so called 'Well-Balanced' method. This analytic solution then provides a test for the effectiveness of these well balancing modifications of the numerical methods.

2.2.4 Forced Solutions

The analytic solutions of the Serre equations provide a stringent test when the bed is horizontal, as all terms in the equation are non-zero and vary in space and time inside the wave and therefore must be accurately approximated. However, for varying bathymetry there is only the lake at rest solution where all terms are constant in time and some are 0. Therefore, the accuracy of the approximations of all terms of the Serre equations in the numerical method is not adequately assessed using only the available analytic solutions.

To allow the verification of the accuracy of the numerical methods for solutions with varying bathymetry, which are not stationary solutions and have all terms non-zero in some region, forces us to use forced solutions. To do this we select some particular functions for all of our primitive quantities; h , u and b which we

denote h^* , u^* and b^* respectively. From these functions we calculate

$$S_{\text{mass}} = -\frac{\partial h^*}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial(u^*h^*)}{\partial x},$$

$$\begin{aligned} S_G = & -\frac{\partial G^*}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(u^*G^* + \frac{g(h^*)^2}{2} - \frac{2}{3}(h^*)^3 \left[\frac{\partial u^*}{\partial x} \right]^2 + (h^*)^2 u^* \frac{\partial u^*}{\partial x} \frac{\partial b^*}{\partial x} \right) \\ & - \frac{1}{2}(h^*)^2 u^* \frac{\partial u^*}{\partial x} \frac{\partial^2 b^*}{\partial x^2} + (h^*)(u^*)^2 \frac{\partial b^*}{\partial x} \frac{\partial^2 b^*}{\partial x^2} - gh^* \frac{\partial b^*}{\partial x}. \end{aligned}$$

Now h^* , u^* and b^* will be solutions of the forced Serre equations in conservation law form with a source term

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(uh)}{\partial x} + S_{\text{mass}} = 0, \quad (2.16a)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial G}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(uG + \frac{gh^2}{2} - \frac{2}{3}h^3 \frac{\partial u^2}{\partial x} + h^2 u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \frac{\partial b}{\partial x} \right) \\ + \frac{1}{2}h^2 u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \frac{\partial^2 b}{\partial x^2} - hu^2 \frac{\partial b}{\partial x} \frac{\partial^2 b}{\partial x^2} + gh \frac{\partial b}{\partial x} + S_G = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (2.16b)$$

These forced Serre equations are then numerically solved by using operator splitting to split the Serre equations for which $S_{\text{mass}} = S_G = 0$ from the source term update. We then use the numerical methods to solve the Serre equation part and use a forward Euler step for the source term update, where S_{mass} and S_G are calculated analytically.

2.2.5 Behaviour of Steep Gradients

Asymptotic Results

Beyond analytic solutions to the Serre equations there have also been studies of the long term behaviour of the Serre equations for situations that are difficult to treat analytically. One particular scenario of interest is the evolution of a moving discontinuous jump in h known as a bore, which can be observed naturally, for example tidal bores [].

For the non-dispersive SWWE bores propagate at a fixed speed and have a constant shape []. For the Serre equations dispersion causes bores to break up into wave train, which are referred to as undular bores []. This process is more

difficult to treat analytically particularly over short time spans and so we do not possess analytic solutions for the Serre equations for bores.

To gain some insight into the behaviour of bores for long time spans Whitham modulation techniques were applied to the Serre equations as $t \rightarrow \infty$ [13]. These techniques provided an estimate of the speed S^+ and amplitude A^+ of the front of a bore

$$\frac{\Delta}{(A^+ + 1)^{1/4}} - \left(\frac{3}{4 - \sqrt{A^+ + 1}} \right)^{21/10} \left(\frac{2}{1 + \sqrt{A^+ + 1}} \right)^{2/5} = 0 \quad (2.17a)$$

$$S^+ = \sqrt{g(A^+ + 1)} \quad (2.17b)$$

where $\Delta = h_b/h_0$, h_b is the height of the bore and h_0 is the depth of still water in front of the bore. These estimates agreed well with numerical simulations provided that $\Delta < 1.43$ [13].

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Chapter 3

Finite Element Volume Method

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3.1 Notation for Numerical Grids

We begin by defining the numerical grid in both space and time from a starting location x_0 and a beginning time t^0 . For any $j, n \in \mathbb{N}$ we have

$$x_j = x_0 + j\Delta x, \quad (3.1a)$$

$$t^n = t^0 + n\Delta t \quad (3.1b)$$

which produces a uniform grid; x_j in space and t^n in time. The Finite Element Volume Method (FEVM) can be readily adapted to nonuniform grids and we restrict our description of the method to uniform grids for simplicity. This notation is extended to locations and times not on the grid using subscripts and superscripts in \mathbb{R} for (3.1).

The grid notation naturally extends to our quantities of interest, for example, for a general quantity q

$$q_j^n = q(x_j, t^n). \quad (3.2)$$

This applies for all subscripts and superscripts in \mathbb{R} . Throughout the rest of this Thesis j and n will be used exclusively to denote general locations on the grid and thus are members of \mathbb{N} .

The description of our numerical method focuses on cells which are regions surrounding the grid points. The j^{th} cell is the region $[x_{j-1/2}, x_{j+1/2}]$ centred around x_j . For each cell we define the average of a quantity

$$\bar{q}_j = \frac{1}{\Delta x} \int_{x_{j-1/2}}^{x_{j+1/2}} q(x, t) dx \quad (3.3)$$

in cell j .

In the FEVM we reconstruct quantities at various points inside the cell from the cell average values. We distinguish between two reconstructions that are possible at each cell edge, which exist due to the overlap of neighbouring cells. To do this we use superscripts so that for the cell edge $x_{j+1/2}$ and a general quantity q , we have $q_{j+1/2}^-$ as the reconstructed value of q at $x_{j+1/2}$ from the j^{th} cell and $q_{j+1/2}^+$ as the reconstructed value of q at $x_{j+1/2}$ from the $(j+1)^{th}$ cell. Since the particular time level is typically obvious from context and hence omitted the use of a superscript will not clutter the notation.

3.2 Structure Overview

To describe the FEVM we first present an overview of the evolution step and then provide the details for each component. We begin our evolution step with all the cell averages for h , w and G at time t^n and all the nodal values of b . We write these as vectors from the 0^{th} cell to the m^{th} in the following way

$$\bar{\mathbf{h}} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{h}_0^n \\ \bar{h}_1^n \\ \vdots \\ \bar{h}_m^n \end{bmatrix}, \quad \bar{\mathbf{w}} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{w}_0^n \\ \bar{w}_1^n \\ \vdots \\ \bar{w}_m^n \end{bmatrix}, \quad \bar{\mathbf{G}} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{G}_0^n \\ \bar{G}_1^n \\ \vdots \\ \bar{G}_m^n \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} b_0 \\ b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix}.$$

The evolution step proceeds as follows:

- (i) Reconstruction: We reconstruct the quantities h , w , G and b inside every cell at various points, which are demonstrated for the j^{th} cell in Figure 3.1. The values of h , w and G in the j^{th} cell are reconstructed at $x_{j-1/2}$, x_j and $x_{j+1/2}$ using the reconstruction operators $\mathcal{R}_{j-1/2}^+$, \mathcal{R}_j and $\mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^-$ respectively. The bed profile b in the j^{th} cell is reconstructed at $x_{j-1/2}$, $x_{j-1/6}$, $x_{j+1/6}$ and $x_{j+1/2}$ using the reconstruction operators $\mathcal{B}_{j-1/2}$, $\mathcal{B}_{j-1/6}$, $\mathcal{B}_{j+1/6}$ and $\mathcal{B}_{j+1/2}$

respectively. So that

$$h_{j-1/2}^+ = \mathcal{R}_{j-1/2}^+(\bar{\mathbf{h}}), \quad G_{j-1/2}^+ = \mathcal{R}_{j-1/2}^+(\bar{\mathbf{G}}),$$

$$h_j = \mathcal{R}_j(\bar{\mathbf{h}}), \quad G_j = \mathcal{R}_j(\bar{\mathbf{G}}),$$

$$h_{j+1/2}^- = \mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^-(\bar{\mathbf{h}}), \quad G_{j+1/2}^- = \mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^-(\bar{\mathbf{G}}),$$

$$w_{j-1/2}^+ = \mathcal{R}_{j-1/2}^+(\bar{\mathbf{w}}), \quad b_{j-1/2} = \mathcal{B}_{j-1/2}(\bar{\mathbf{b}}),$$

$$w_j = \mathcal{R}_j(\bar{\mathbf{w}}), \quad b_{j-1/6} = \mathcal{B}_{j-1/6}(\bar{\mathbf{b}}),$$

$$w_{j+1/2}^- = \mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^-(\bar{\mathbf{w}}), \quad b_{j+1/6} = \mathcal{B}_{j+1/6}(\bar{\mathbf{b}}),$$

$$b_{j+1/2} = \mathcal{B}_{j+1/2}(\bar{\mathbf{b}}).$$

This generates the vectors of these quantities reconstructed for every cell; $\hat{\mathbf{h}}, \hat{\mathbf{w}}, \hat{\mathbf{G}}$ and $\hat{\mathbf{b}}$ which are

$$\hat{\mathbf{h}} = \begin{bmatrix} h_{-1/2}^+ \\ h_0 \\ h_{1/2}^- \\ h_{1/2}^+ \\ \vdots \\ h_m \\ h_{m+1/2}^- \end{bmatrix}, \quad \hat{\mathbf{w}} = \begin{bmatrix} w_{-1/2}^+ \\ w_0 \\ w_{1/2}^- \\ w_{1/2}^+ \\ \vdots \\ w_m \\ w_{m+1/2}^- \end{bmatrix}, \quad \hat{\mathbf{G}} = \begin{bmatrix} G_{-1/2}^+ \\ G_0 \\ G_{1/2}^- \\ G_{1/2}^+ \\ \vdots \\ G_m \\ G_{m+1/2}^- \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \hat{\mathbf{b}} = \begin{bmatrix} b_{-1/2} \\ b_{-1/6} \\ b_{1/6} \\ b_{1/2} \\ \vdots \\ b_{m+1/6} \\ b_{m+1/2} \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (ii) Fluid Velocity: The remaining unknown quantity, the depth averaged fluid velocity u is calculated by solving the elliptic equation (2.1) with a Finite Element Method (FEM) from which we obtain $u_{j-1/2}$, u_j and $u_{j+1/2}$ for every cell. We denote the solution of the FEM by the map \mathcal{G} given $\hat{\mathbf{h}}$, $\hat{\mathbf{G}}$ and $\hat{\mathbf{b}}$ as inputs. So that

$$\hat{\mathbf{u}} = \begin{bmatrix} u_{-1/2} \\ u_0 \\ u_{1/2} \\ \vdots \\ u_m \\ u_{m+1/2} \end{bmatrix} = \mathcal{G}(\hat{\mathbf{h}}, \hat{\mathbf{G}}, \hat{\mathbf{b}}).$$

- (iii) Flux Across Cell Interfaces: We calculate the average fluxes $F_{j-1/2}$ and $F_{j+1/2}$ across the cell boundaries $x_{j-1/2}$ and $x_{j+1/2}$ over time using $\mathcal{F}_{j-1/2}$

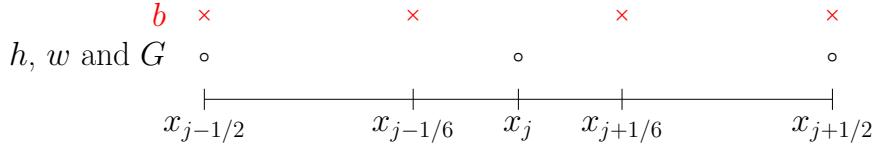


Figure 3.1: Location of the reconstructions for h , w , G and b inside the j^{th} cell.

and $\mathcal{F}_{j+1/2}$ so that

$$\begin{aligned} F_{j-1/2} &= \mathcal{F}_{j-1/2} \left(\hat{\mathbf{h}}, \hat{\mathbf{G}}, \hat{\mathbf{b}}, \hat{\mathbf{u}} \right), \\ F_{j+1/2} &= \mathcal{F}_{j+1/2} \left(\hat{\mathbf{h}}, \hat{\mathbf{G}}, \hat{\mathbf{b}}, \hat{\mathbf{u}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

- (iv) Source Terms: We calculate the source term contribution to the cell average of a quantity over a time step S_j with the operator \mathcal{S} like so

$$S_j = \mathcal{S}_j \left(\hat{\mathbf{h}}, \hat{\mathbf{w}}, \hat{\mathbf{b}}, \hat{\mathbf{u}} \right).$$

- (v) Update All the Cell Averages Using a Forward Euler Approximation: We update the cell average values from time t^n to the next time level combining a forward Euler approximation and a fractional step method for the flux and source terms.
- (vi) Update All the Cell Averages Using a Second-Order SSP Runge-Kutta Method: We repeat steps (I)-(V) and use SSP Runge-Kutta time stepping to calculate $\bar{\mathbf{h}}$ and $\bar{\mathbf{G}}$ at t^{n+1} with second-order accuracy in space and time.

(i) Reconstruction

We now provide the details for the reconstruction of h , w , G and b in the j^{th} cell at the locations demonstrated in Figure 3.1. For h , w and G the reconstructions is performed from the cell averages. While b is reconstructed from the nodal values.

The height, stage and G

We reconstruct h , w and G with piecewise functions that are linear over a cell and discontinuous at the cell edges. Since h , w and G use the same reconstruction operators we demonstrate them for a general quantity q . For the j^{th} cell we

reconstruct the values of q at $x_{j-1/2}$, x_j and $x_{j+1/2}$ in the following way

$$q_{j-1/2}^+ = \mathcal{R}_{j-1/2}^+(\bar{\mathbf{q}}) = \bar{q} - \frac{\Delta x}{2} d_j, \quad (3.4a)$$

$$q_j = \mathcal{R}_j(\bar{\mathbf{q}}) = \bar{q}, \quad (3.4b)$$

$$q_{j+1/2}^- = \mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^-(\bar{\mathbf{q}}) = \bar{q} + \frac{\Delta x}{2} d_j \quad (3.4c)$$

where

$$d_j = \text{minmod} \left(\theta \frac{\bar{q}_j - \bar{q}_{j-1}}{\Delta x}, \frac{\bar{q}_{j+1} - \bar{q}_{j-1}}{2\Delta x}, \theta \frac{\bar{q}_{j+1} - \bar{q}_j}{\Delta x} \right) \quad (3.5)$$

with $\theta \in [1, 2]$. The choice of the θ parameter changes the diffusion introduced by the reconstruction, with $\theta = 1$ the reconstruction introduces the most diffusion and is equivalent to the minmod reconstruction [16]. When $\theta = 2$ the reconstruction introduces the least diffusion and is equivalent to the monotized central reconstruction [17].

Definition 3.1. The minmod function takes a list of $a_i \in \mathbb{R}$. If all elements have the same sign then minmod returns the element with smallest absolute value, otherwise it returns 0.

$$\text{minmod}(a_0, a_1, \dots) := \begin{cases} \min \{a_i\} & a_i > 0 \ \forall i \\ \max \{a_i\} & a_i < 0 \ \forall i \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}.$$

The nonlinear limiting used to calculate d_j ensures that the reconstruction of h , w and G inside the cell is Total Variation Diminishing (TVD), hence it does not introduce non-physical oscillations. The TVD property is attained by constraining the slope d_j to zero near local extrema, resulting in a first-order approximation which is necessarily TVD. Away from local extrema d_j will be the gradient with the smallest absolute value, making our reconstruction second-order accurate.

The reconstruction operator \mathcal{R}_j is second-order accurate regardless of the presence of local extrema. This can be seen through the error analysis of the midpoint quadrature rule for which we have that

$$\bar{q} = \frac{1}{\Delta x} \int_{x_{j-1/2}}^{x_{j+1/2}} q \, dx = q_j + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x^2). \quad (3.6)$$

The bed profile

To reconstruct b at $x_{j-1/2}$, $x_{j-1/6}$, $x_{j+1/6}$ and $x_{j+1/2}$ we construct the cubic polynomial $C_j(x)$ centred around x_j

$$C_j(x) = c_0 (x - x_j)^3 + c_1 (x - x_j)^2 + c_2 (x - x_j) + c_3. \quad (3.7)$$

By forcing $C_j(x)$ to pass through the nodal values b_{j-2} , b_{j-1} , b_{j+1} and b_{j+2} we get

$$\begin{bmatrix} -8\Delta x^3 & 4\Delta x^2 & -2\Delta x & 1 \\ -\Delta x^3 & \Delta x^2 & -\Delta x & 1 \\ \Delta x^3 & \Delta x^2 & \Delta x & 1 \\ 8\Delta x^3 & 4\Delta x^2 & 2\Delta x & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_{j-2} \\ b_{j-1} \\ b_{j+1} \\ b_{j+2} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Solving this we get the polynomial coefficients for $C_j(x)$

$$c_0 = \frac{-b_{j-2} + 2b_{j-1} - 2b_{j+1} + b_{j+2}}{12\Delta x^3},$$

$$c_1 = \frac{b_{j-2} - b_{j-1} - b_{j+1} + b_{j+2}}{6\Delta x^2},$$

$$c_2 = \frac{b_{j-2} - 8b_{j-1} + 8b_{j+1} - b_{j+2}}{12\Delta x},$$

$$c_3 = \frac{-b_{j-2} + 4b_{j-1} + 4b_{j+1} - b_{j+2}}{6}.$$

We require a continuous bed profile across the cell edges and so we average the two reconstructions at the cell edges, therefore our reconstruction of the bed profile in the j^{th} cell is

$$b_{j-1/2} = \mathcal{B}_{j-1/2}(\mathbf{b}) = \frac{1}{2} (C_j(x_{j-1/2}) + C_{j-1}(x_{j-1/2})), \quad (3.8a)$$

$$b_{j-1/6} = \mathcal{B}_{j-1/6}(\mathbf{b}) = C_j(x_{j-1/6}), \quad (3.8b)$$

$$b_{j+1/6} = \mathcal{B}_{j+1/6}(\mathbf{b}) = C_j(x_{j+1/6}), \quad (3.8c)$$

$$b_{j+1/2} = \mathcal{B}_{j+1/2}(\mathbf{b}) = \frac{1}{2} (C_j(x_{j+1/2}) + C_{j+1}(x_{j+1/2})). \quad (3.8d)$$

(ii) Fluid Velocity

The elliptic equation that relates the conserved variables h and G and the bed profile b to the primitive variable u was given in Def 2.1. To form the FEM we take the weak form of Def 2.1 with test function τ which is

$$\int_{\Omega} G\tau \, dx = \int_{\Omega} uh \left(1 + \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} \frac{\partial b}{\partial x} + \frac{1}{2} h \frac{\partial^2 b}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial b}{\partial x}^2 \right) \tau - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{1}{3} h^3 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right) \tau \, dx.$$

Integrating by parts with Dirichlet boundary conditions we get

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} G\tau \, dx &= \int_{\Omega} uh \left(1 + \frac{\partial b}{\partial x}^2 \right) \tau \, dx + \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{3} h^3 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \frac{\partial \tau}{\partial x} \, dx \\ &\quad - \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{2} h^2 \frac{\partial b}{\partial x} u \frac{\partial \tau}{\partial x} \, dx - \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{2} h^2 \frac{\partial b}{\partial x} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \tau \, dx. \end{aligned} \quad (3.9)$$

This weak formulation implies that if G and h are members of the function space \mathbb{L}^p and b is a member of the Sobolev space $\mathbb{W}^{1,p}$ then u is a member of the Sobolev space $\mathbb{W}^{1,p}$ as well, see Evans [18] as a reference. Since our method requires the derivative of u to be well defined and hence that $u \in \mathbb{W}^{1,p}$, we will restrict ourselves to only allow $h, G \in \mathbb{L}^p$ and $b \in \mathbb{W}^{1,p}$.

We simplify (3.9) by performing the integration over the cells and then summing the integrals together to get the equation for the entire domain

$$\sum_j \int_{x_{j-1/2}}^{x_{j+1/2}} \left[\left(uh \left(1 + \frac{\partial b}{\partial x}^2 \right) - \frac{1}{2} h^2 \frac{\partial b}{\partial x} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} - G \right) \tau \right. \\ \left. + \left(\frac{1}{3} h^3 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} - \frac{1}{2} h^2 \frac{\partial b}{\partial x} u \right) \frac{\partial \tau}{\partial x} \right] dx = 0 \quad (3.10)$$

which holds for all test functions τ . The next step is to replace the functions for the quantities h , G , b and u with their basis function approximations.

Basis Function Approximations

For h and G we use the basis functions ψ which are linear inside a cell and 0 everywhere outside the cell as shown in Figure 3.2. This is consistent with our reconstruction which is second-order accurate inside the cell and possesses discontinuities at the cell edges. Since these basis functions are in \mathbb{L}^p our basis function approximations to h and G are in the appropriate function space.

From the basis functions ψ we have the following representation for h and G in our FEM

$$h = \sum_j h_{j-1/2}^+ \psi_{j-1/2}^+ + h_{j+1/2}^- \psi_{j+1/2}^-, \quad (3.11a)$$

$$G = \sum_j G_{j-1/2}^+ \psi_{j-1/2}^+ + G_{j+1/2}^- \psi_{j+1/2}^-. \quad (3.11b)$$

To calculate the flux and source terms of the evolution of G equation (2.5b) we require a locally calculated second-order approximation to the first derivative

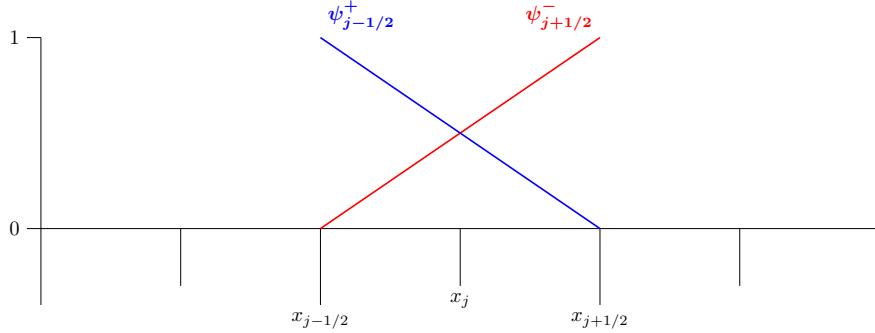


Figure 3.2: Discontinuous linear basis functions over a cell.

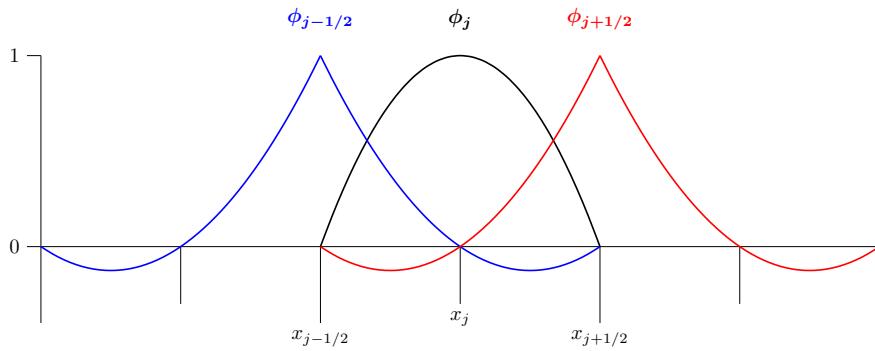


Figure 3.3: Continuous piecewise quadratic basis functions over a cell.

of u . To do this we require a quadratic representation of u in each cell and since $u \in \mathbb{W}^{1,p}$, this representation will be continuous across the cell edges $x_{j\pm 1/2}$. Therefore, we use the continuous quadratic basis functions $\phi_{j-1/2}$ depicted in Figure 3.3.

From the basis functions ϕ our basis function approximation to u is

$$u = \sum_j u_{j-1/2} \phi_{j-1/2} + u_j \phi_j + u_{j+1/2} \phi_{j+1/2}. \quad (3.12)$$

For the source term of the evolution of G equation (2.5b) we require a local approximation to the second derivative of the bed that is second-order accurate. To allow for an appropriate second derivative of the bed profile, b must be a member of $\mathbb{W}^{2,p}$ which is smoother than indicated by the elliptic equation (3.9). We choose the cubic basis functions γ which are continuous across the cell edges, as the bed profile will be continuous. These basis functions are shown in Figure 3.4 and from them we get our basis function approximation to b

$$b = \sum_j b_{j-1/2} \gamma_{j-1/2} + b_{j-1/6} \gamma_{j-1/6} + b_{j+1/6} \gamma_{j+1/6} + b_{j+1/2} \gamma_{j+1/2}. \quad (3.13)$$

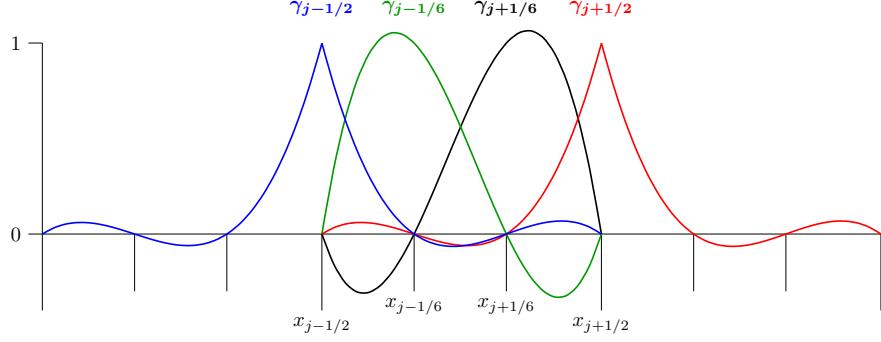


Figure 3.4: Continuous piecewise cubic basis functions over a cell.

With $b_{j-1/2}$ and $b_{j+1/2}$ being well defined as (3.8) imposes a unique reconstruction at the cell edges.

Calculation of Element-wise Matrices

The integral equation (3.10) holds for all τ . However, since our solution space has the basis functions ϕ it is sufficient to satisfy (3.10) for all ϕ to generate the solution. Since only the basis functions $\phi_{j-1/2}$, ϕ_j and $\phi_{j+1/2}$ are non-zero over the j^{th} cell we can calculate the j^{th} term in the sum (3.10) like so

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{x_{j-1/2}}^{x_{j+1/2}} \left[\left(uh \left(1 + \frac{\partial b}{\partial x} \right) - \frac{1}{2} h^2 \frac{\partial b}{\partial x} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} - G \right) \begin{bmatrix} \phi_{j-1/2} \\ \phi_j \\ \phi_{j+1/2} \end{bmatrix} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \left(\frac{1}{3} h^3 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} - \frac{1}{2} h^2 \frac{\partial b}{\partial x} u \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \begin{pmatrix} \phi_{j-1/2} \\ \phi_j \\ \phi_{j+1/2} \end{pmatrix} \right] dx \quad (3.14) \end{aligned}$$

where we use our finite element approximations for h (3.11a), G (3.11b), u (3.12) and b (3.13). Because the basis functions over an element are just translations of the other basis functions, this integral can be generalised by moving to the ξ space. The mapping from the x space to the ξ space is

$$x = x_j + \xi \frac{\Delta x}{2}.$$

Making the change of variables from x to ξ in (3.14) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\Delta x}{2} \int_{-1}^1 & \left[\left(uh \left(1 + \frac{4}{\Delta x^2} \frac{\partial b}{\partial \xi} \right) - \frac{2}{\Delta x^2} h^2 \frac{\partial b}{\partial \xi} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi} - G \right) \begin{bmatrix} \phi_{j-1/2} \\ \phi_j \\ \phi_{j+1/2} \end{bmatrix} \right. \\ & \left. + \frac{4}{\Delta x^2} \left(\frac{1}{3} h^3 \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi} - \frac{1}{2} h^2 \frac{\partial b}{\partial \xi} u \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \begin{bmatrix} \phi_{j-1/2} \\ \phi_j \\ \phi_{j+1/2} \end{bmatrix} \right] d\xi. \end{aligned}$$

We will demonstrate the rest of the process for the uh term as an example and provide the remaining integrals in Appendix A. The uh term is

$$\frac{\Delta x}{2} \int_{-1}^1 uh \begin{bmatrix} \phi_{j-1/2} \\ \phi_j \\ \phi_{j+1/2} \end{bmatrix} d\xi.$$

Since the integral is computed over $[x_{j-1/2}, x_{j+1/2}]$, there are only a few non-zero contributions from the finite element approximations to h and u , so we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\Delta x}{2} \int_{-1}^1 (u_{j-1/2} \phi_{j-1/2} + u_j \phi_j + u_{j+1/2} \phi_{j+1/2}) \\ & \quad \left(h_{j-1/2}^+ \psi_{j-1/2}^+ + h_{j+1/2}^- \psi_{j+1/2}^- \right) \begin{bmatrix} \phi_{j-1/2} \\ \phi_j \\ \phi_{j+1/2} \end{bmatrix} d\xi \\ &= \frac{\Delta x}{2} \left(h_{j-1/2}^+ \int_{-1}^1 \psi_{j-1/2}^+ \begin{bmatrix} \phi_{j-1/2} \phi_{j-1/2} & \phi_j \phi_{j-1/2} & \phi_{j+1/2} \phi_{j-1/2} \\ \phi_{j-1/2} \phi_j & \phi_j \phi_j & \phi_{j+1/2} \phi_j \\ \phi_{j+1/2} \phi_{j-1/2} & \phi_{j+1/2} \phi_j & \phi_{j+1/2} \phi_{j+1/2} \end{bmatrix} d\xi \right. \\ & \quad \left. + h_{j+1/2}^- \int_{-1}^1 \psi_{j+1/2}^- \begin{bmatrix} \phi_{j-1/2} \phi_{j-1/2} & \phi_j \phi_{j-1/2} & \phi_{j+1/2} \phi_{j-1/2} \\ \phi_{j-1/2} \phi_j & \phi_j \phi_j & \phi_{j+1/2} \phi_j \\ \phi_{j+1/2} \phi_{j-1/2} & \phi_{j+1/2} \phi_j & \phi_{j+1/2} \phi_{j+1/2} \end{bmatrix} d\xi \right) \\ & \quad \begin{bmatrix} u_{j-1/2} \\ u_j \\ u_{j+1/2} \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Calculating the integrals of all the basis function combinations we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{\Delta x}{2} \int_{-1}^1 u h \begin{bmatrix} \phi_{j-1/2} \\ \phi_j \\ \phi_{j+1/2} \end{bmatrix} d\xi = \\
& \frac{\Delta x}{2} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{7}{30}h_{j-1/2}^+ + \frac{1}{30}h_{j+1/2}^- & \frac{4}{30}h_{j-1/2}^+ & -\frac{1}{30}h_{j-1/2}^+ - \frac{1}{30}h_{j+1/2}^- \\ \frac{4}{30}h_{j-1/2}^+ & \frac{16}{30}h_{j-1/2}^+ + \frac{16}{30}h_{j+1/2}^- & \frac{4}{30}h_{j+1/2}^- \\ -\frac{1}{30}h_{j-1/2}^+ - \frac{1}{30}h_{j+1/2}^- & \frac{4}{30}h_{j+1/2}^- & \frac{1}{30}h_{j-1/2}^+ + \frac{7}{30}h_{j+1/2}^- \end{bmatrix} \\
& \begin{bmatrix} u_{j-1/2} \\ u_j \\ u_{j+1/2} \end{bmatrix}. \quad (3.15)
\end{aligned}$$

Assembly of the Global Matrix

By combining all the matrices generated by the integral of each of the u terms we get the j^{th} cells contribution to the stiffness matrix \mathbf{A}_j . Likewise all the integrals of the remaining term $G\tau$ generate the vector \mathbf{g}_j . Therefore, (3.10) can be rewritten as

$$\sum_j \mathbf{A}_j \begin{bmatrix} u_{j-1/2} \\ u_j \\ u_{j+1/2} \end{bmatrix} = \sum_j \mathbf{g}_j. \quad (3.16)$$

This is a penta-diagonal matrix equation which can be solved by direct banded matrix solution techniques such as those of Press et al. [19] to obtain

$$\hat{\mathbf{u}} = \mathcal{G}(\hat{\mathbf{h}}, \hat{\mathbf{G}}, \hat{\mathbf{b}}) = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{g} \quad (3.17)$$

as desired.

(iii) Flux Across the Cell Interfaces

We use Kurganovs method [20] to calculate the flux across a cell interface. This method was employed because; it can handle discontinuities across the cell boundary and only requires an estimate of the maximum and minimum wave speeds. This is precisely the situation for the Serre equations which do not have an expression for the characteristics but do possess estimates on the maximum and minimum wave speeds (2.13a).

Only the calculation of the flux term $F_{j+1/2}$ is demonstrated as the process to calculate the flux term $F_{j-1/2}$ is identical but with different cells. For a general

quantity q , Kurganov's method [20] is

$$F_{j+\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{a_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^+ f(q_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^-) - a_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^- f(q_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^+)}{a_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^+ - a_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^-} + \frac{a_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^+ a_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^-}{a_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^+ - a_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^-} \left[q_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^+ - q_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^- \right] \quad (3.18)$$

where $a_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^+$ and $a_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^-$ are given by the wave speed bounds. Applying the wave speed bounds (2.13a) we obtain

$$a_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^- = \min \left\{ 0, u_{j+1/2}^- - \sqrt{gh_{j+1/2}^-}, u_{j+1/2}^+ - \sqrt{gh_{j+1/2}^+} \right\}, \quad (3.19)$$

$$a_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^+ = \max \left\{ 0, u_{j+1/2}^- + \sqrt{gh_{j+1/2}^-}, u_{j+1/2}^+ + \sqrt{gh_{j+1/2}^+} \right\}. \quad (3.20)$$

The flux functions $f(q_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^-)$ and $f(q_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^+)$ are evaluated using the reconstructed values of the j^{th} and $(j+1)^{th}$ cell respectively. From the continuity equation (2.5a) we have

$$\begin{aligned} f\left(h_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^-\right) &= u_{j+1/2}^- h_{j+1/2}^-, \\ f\left(h_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^+\right) &= u_{j+1/2}^+ h_{j+1/2}^+. \end{aligned}$$

For the evolution of G equation (2.5b) we have

$$\begin{aligned} f\left(G_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^-\right) &= u_{j+1/2}^- G_{j+1/2}^- + \frac{g}{2} \left(h_{j+1/2}^- \right)^2 - \frac{2}{3} \left(h_{j+1/2}^- \right)^3 \left[\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)_{j+1/2}^- \right]^2 \\ &\quad + \left(h_{j+1/2}^- \right)^2 u_{j+1/2}^- \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)_{j+1/2}^- \left(\frac{\partial b}{\partial x} \right)_{j+1/2}^-, \end{aligned} \quad (3.21a)$$

$$\begin{aligned} f\left(G_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^+\right) &= u_{j+1/2}^+ G_{j+1/2}^+ + \frac{g}{2} \left(h_{j+1/2}^+ \right)^2 - \frac{2}{3} \left(h_{j+1/2}^+ \right)^3 \left[\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)_{j+1/2}^+ \right]^2 \\ &\quad + \left(h_{j+1/2}^+ \right)^2 u_{j+1/2}^+ \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)_{j+1/2}^+ \left(\frac{\partial b}{\partial x} \right)_{j+1/2}^-. \end{aligned} \quad (3.21b)$$

During the reconstruction process $h_{j-1/2}^+, h_{j+1/2}^-, G_{j-1/2}^+, G_{j+1/2}^-$ (3.4) were calculated, and the FEM provided $u_{j+1/2}^\pm = u_{j+1/2}$; because u is continuous across the cell boundaries. Therefore, approximations to $\left(\frac{\partial b}{\partial x} \right)_{j+1/2}^\pm$ and $\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)_{j+1/2}^\pm$ are required to calculate the flux (3.21).

Calculation of Derivatives

To calculate the derivatives in u and b we use the basis function approximation to these quantities in the FEM. For u we have the quadratic $P_j^u(x)$ that passes through $u_{j-1/2}$, u_j and $u_{j+1/2}$ while for b we have the cubic $P_j^b(x)$ that passes through $b_{j-1/2}$, $b_{j-1/6}$, $b_{j+1/6}$ and $b_{j+1/2}$. So we have

$$P_j^u(x) = p_0^u (x - x_j)^2 + p_1^u (x - x_j) + p_2^u, \quad (3.22a)$$

$$P_j^b(x) = p_0^b (x - x_j)^3 + p_1^b (x - x_j)^2 + p_2^b (x - x_j) + p_3^b, \quad (3.22b)$$

By forcing the polynomials to pass through these reconstructed values we get that for $P_j^u(x)$

$$\begin{aligned} p_0^u &= \frac{u_{j-1/2} - 2u_j + u_{j+1/2}}{2\Delta x^2}, \\ p_1^u &= \frac{-u_{j-1/2} + u_{j+1/2}}{\Delta x}, \\ p_2^u &= u_j. \end{aligned}$$

While for $P_j^b(x)$ we get

$$p_0^b = \frac{-9b_{j-1/2} + 27b_{j-1/6} - 27b_{j+1/6} + 9b_{j+1/2}}{2\Delta x^3},$$

$$p_0^b = \frac{9b_{j-1/2} - 9b_{j-1/6} - 9b_{j+1/6} + 9b_{j+1/2}}{4\Delta x^2},$$

$$p_0^b = \frac{b_{j-1/2} - 27b_{j-1/6} + 27b_{j+1/6} - b_{j+1/2}}{8\Delta x},$$

$$p_0^b = \frac{-b_{j-1/2} + 9b_{j-1/6} + 9b_{j+1/6} - b_{j+1/2}}{16}.$$

Taking the derivative of the polynomials (3.22) we get

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} P_j^u(x) = 2p_0^u (x - x_j) + p_1^u,$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} P_j^b(x) = 3p_0^b (x - x_j)^2 + 2p_1^b (x - x_j) + p_2^b.$$

This gives a second-order approximation to the derivative of u and b at $x_{j+1/2}$ for the j^{th} cell. The process for the $(j + 1)^{th}$ cell is the same and we get

$$\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)_{j+1/2}^- = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} P_j^u(x_{j+1/2}), \quad (3.23a)$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)_{j+1/2}^+ = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} P_{j+1}^u(x_{j+1/2}), \quad (3.23b)$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial b}{\partial x} \right)_{j+1/2}^- = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} P_j^b(x_{j+1/2}), \quad (3.23c)$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial b}{\partial x} \right)_{j+1/2}^+ = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} P_{j+1}^b(x_{j+1/2}). \quad (3.23d)$$

Therefore, we possess all the terms need to calculate the approximation to the flux (3.18) for both the continuity and evolution of G equation, as desired. However, to ensure that the FEVM is well balanced and recovers the lake at rest steady state solution, these fluxes must be modified.

Well Balancing

To recover the lake at rest steady state solution we follow the work of Audusse et al. [21], who accomplished this for the SWWE. It was demonstrated that this process could also be extended to the Serre equations [22]. To enforce well balancing the reconstruction of h is modified at the cell edges in the following way; first calculate

$$\dot{b}_{j+1/2}^- = w_{j+1/2}^- - h_{j+1/2}^- \quad \text{and} \quad \dot{b}_{j+1/2}^+ = w_{j+1/2}^+ - h_{j+1/2}^+. \quad (3.24)$$

Find the maximum

$$\grave{b}_{j+1/2} = \max \left\{ \dot{b}_{j+1/2}^-, \dot{b}_{j+1/2}^+ \right\}$$

then define

$$\grave{h}_{j+1/2}^- = \max \left\{ 0, w_{j+1/2}^- - \grave{b}_{j+1/2} \right\}, \quad (3.25a)$$

$$\grave{h}_{j+1/2}^+ = \max \left\{ 0, w_{j+1/2}^+ - \grave{b}_{j+1/2} \right\}. \quad (3.25b)$$

This generates the vector $\hat{\mathbf{h}}$

$$\hat{\mathbf{h}} = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{h}_{-1/2}^+ \\ h_0 \\ \dot{h}_{1/2}^- \\ \dot{h}_{1/2}^+ \\ \vdots \\ h_m \\ \dot{h}_{m+1/2}^- \end{bmatrix}$$

which we use to calculate the flux term $F_{j+1/2}$ in (3.18) for both the continuity (2.5a) and evolution of G (2.5b) equation. Applying the same process but with different cells we obtain $F_{j-1/2}$ and we have

$$F_{j-1/2} = \mathcal{F}_{j-1/2}(\hat{\mathbf{h}}, \hat{\mathbf{G}}, \hat{\mathbf{b}}, \hat{\mathbf{u}}), \quad (3.26a)$$

$$F_{j+1/2} = \mathcal{F}_{j+1/2}(\hat{\mathbf{h}}, \hat{\mathbf{G}}, \hat{\mathbf{b}}, \hat{\mathbf{u}}) \quad (3.26b)$$

for both the continuity and evolution of G equation as desired.

(iv) Source Terms

The Serre equations in conservative form (2.5) contain a flux term and a source term, to treat this numerically we use a first-order splitting method. This requires an approximation to the source term at the cell centre x_j which we denote as S_j . Since the continuity equation (2.5a) has no source term, we will just present the calculation of the source term for the evolution of G equation (2.5b).

Following the work of Audusse et al. [21], we split our approximation to S_j into the centred source term S_{ci} and the corrective interface source terms $S_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^-$ and $S_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^+$. Where S_{ci} is the naive source term approximation and $S_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^-$ and $S_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^+$ are correction terms that ensure that the flux and source term cancel for the lake at rest steady state.

We calculate the centred source term using

$$S_{ci} = -\frac{1}{2} (h_j)^2 u_j \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)_j \left(\frac{\partial^2 b}{\partial x^2} \right)_j + h_j (u_j)^2 \left(\frac{\partial b}{\partial x} \right)_j \left(\frac{\partial^2 b}{\partial x^2} \right)_j - g h_j \left(\frac{\partial b}{\partial x} \right)_j.$$

Where we use h_j from the reconstruction process (3.4) and u_j from the solution of the elliptic equation (3.17). To calculate the derivatives we employ our polynomial representations of u and b inside a cell. However, to ensure that the terms cancel

properly for a lake at rest we modify our approximation to $\frac{\partial b}{\partial x}$ to use $\dot{b}_{j+1/2}^-$ and $\dot{b}_{j+1/2}^+$ from (3.24). Therefore, the following approximations are used to calculate S_{ci}

$$\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)_j = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} P_j^u(x_j), \quad (3.27a)$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial b}{\partial x} \right)_j = \frac{\dot{b}_{j+1/2}^- - \dot{b}_{j-1/2}^+}{\Delta x}, \quad (3.27b)$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial^2 b}{\partial x^2} \right)_j = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} P_j^b(x_j). \quad (3.27c)$$

The corrective interface source terms are

$$S_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^- = \frac{g}{2} \left(\dot{h}_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^- \right)^2 - \frac{g}{2} \left(h_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^- \right)^2,$$

$$S_{j-\frac{1}{2}}^+ = \frac{g}{2} \left(h_{j-\frac{1}{2}}^+ \right)^2 - \frac{g}{2} \left(\dot{h}_{j-\frac{1}{2}}^+ \right)^2.$$

Which makes use of $h_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^-$ and $h_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^+$ obtained from the reconstruction (3.4) and the modified values $\dot{h}_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^-$ and $\dot{h}_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^+$ from (3.25). Combining the centred and interface source terms our approximation to the source term for the evolution of G equation is

$$S_j = \mathcal{S}_j \left(\hat{\mathbf{h}}, \dot{\mathbf{h}}, \hat{\mathbf{w}}, \hat{\mathbf{b}}, \hat{\mathbf{u}} \right) = S_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^- + \Delta x S_{ci} + S_{j-\frac{1}{2}}^+. \quad (3.28)$$

(v) Update Cell Averages

We use the forward Euler approximation to approximate the time derivatives and obtain an update formula for the cell averages. Additionally we employ a fractional step method to split the flux term and source term part of the Serre equations written in conservative form (2.5). This results in the following time-stepping method that is first-order accurate in time

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{q}'_j &= \bar{q}_j^n + \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \left(F_{j+\frac{1}{2}} - F_{j-\frac{1}{2}} \right), \\ \bar{q}_j^{n+1} &= \bar{q}'_j + \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} S_j \end{aligned}$$

where $F_{j+\frac{1}{2}}$, $F_{j-\frac{1}{2}}$ and S_j are all calculated using the quantities at time t^n . Therefore, this method can be condensed into

$$\bar{q}_j^{n+1} = \bar{q}_j^n + \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \left(F_{j+\frac{1}{2}} - F_{j-\frac{1}{2}} + S_j \right). \quad (3.29)$$

(vi) Second-Order SSP Runge-Kutta Method

To increase the order of accuracy in time we employ the strong stability preserving Runge-Kutta method [23] which is a convex combination of multiple first-order time steps (3.29) in the following way

$$\bar{q}'_j = \bar{q}_j^n + \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \left(F_{j+\frac{1}{2}} - F_{j-\frac{1}{2}} + S_j \right), \quad (3.30a)$$

$$\bar{q}''_j = \bar{q}'_j + \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \left(F'_{j+\frac{1}{2}} - F'_{j-\frac{1}{2}} + S'_j \right), \quad (3.30b)$$

$$\bar{q}_j^{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} (\bar{q}_j^n + \bar{q}''_j). \quad (3.30c)$$

This results in a time stepping method that preserves the stability of the first-order method (3.29) and is second-order accurate in time. Since all the spatial approximations are second-order accurate, the steps (I-VI) should result in a second-order accurate FEVM for the Serre equations, as desired.

3.3 CFL condition

To ensure the stability of our FEVM we use the Courant-Friedrichs-Lowy (CFL) condition [24] which is necessary for stability. The CFL condition ensures that time steps are small enough so that information is only transferred between neighbouring cells. For the Serre equations the CFL condition is

$$\Delta t \leq \frac{Cr}{\max_j \{a_{j+1/2}^\pm\}} \Delta x \quad (3.31)$$

where $a_{j+1/2}^\pm$ are the wavespeed bounds used in Kurganovs flux approximation (3.20) and $0 \leq Cr \leq 1$ is the Courant number. Typically, we use the conservative $Cr = 0.5$ for our numerical experiments.

3.4 Boundary Conditions

To numerically model the Serre equations over finite spatial domains we must enforce boundary conditions at the left and right edge of the domain; $x_{-1/2}$ and $x_{m+1/2}$ respectively. We have only developed Dirichlet boundary conditions for the FEVM, which we enforce using ghost cells located outside the domain boundaries. These ghost cells contain the complete representation of their respective quantities over the cell. For h , w , G and u only one ghost cell at each boundary

is required, while for b we require two ghost cells at each boundary. We therefore have ghost cells with the following associated quantities

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\mathbf{h}}_{-1} &= \begin{bmatrix} h_{-3/2}^+ \\ h_{-1} \\ h_{-1/2}^- \end{bmatrix}, & \hat{\mathbf{h}}_{m+1} &= \begin{bmatrix} h_{m+1/2}^+ \\ h_{m+1} \\ h_{m+3/2}^- \end{bmatrix}, \\ \hat{\mathbf{w}}_{-1} &= \begin{bmatrix} w_{-3/2}^+ \\ w_{-1} \\ w_{-1/2}^- \end{bmatrix}, & \hat{\mathbf{w}}_{m+1} &= \begin{bmatrix} w_{m+1/2}^+ \\ w_{m+1} \\ w_{m+3/2}^- \end{bmatrix}, \\ \hat{\mathbf{G}}_{-1} &= \begin{bmatrix} G_{-3/2}^+ \\ G_{-1} \\ G_{-1/2}^- \end{bmatrix}, & \hat{\mathbf{G}}_{m+1} &= \begin{bmatrix} G_{m+1/2}^+ \\ G_{m+1} \\ G_{m+3/2}^- \end{bmatrix}, \\ \hat{\mathbf{u}}_{-1} &= \begin{bmatrix} u_{-3/2} \\ u_{-1} \\ u_{-1/2} \end{bmatrix}, & \hat{\mathbf{u}}_{m+1} &= \begin{bmatrix} u_{m+1/2} \\ u_{m+1} \\ u_{m+3/2} \end{bmatrix} \\ \\ \hat{\mathbf{b}}_{-2} &= \begin{bmatrix} b_{-5/2} \\ b_{-13/6} \\ b_{-11/6} \\ b_{-3/2} \end{bmatrix}, & \hat{\mathbf{b}}_{-1} &= \begin{bmatrix} b_{-3/2} \\ b_{-7/6} \\ b_{-5/6} \\ b_{-1/2} \end{bmatrix}, & \hat{\mathbf{b}}_{m+1} &= \begin{bmatrix} b_{m+1/2} \\ b_{m+5/6} \\ b_{m+7/6} \\ b_{m+3/2} \end{bmatrix}, & \hat{\mathbf{b}}_{m+2} &= \begin{bmatrix} b_{m+3/2} \\ b_{m+11/6} \\ b_{m+13/6} \\ b_{m+5/2} \end{bmatrix}.\end{aligned}$$

To ensure that the solution of u by (3.17) agrees with the boundary conditions $\hat{\mathbf{u}}_{-1}$ and $\hat{\mathbf{u}}_m$ the element matrices \mathbf{A}_0 and \mathbf{A}_m and vectors \mathbf{g}_0 and \mathbf{g}_m must be modified in the following way

$$\mathbf{A}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{g}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} u_{-1/2} \\ g_1 \\ g_2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (3.32)$$

$$\mathbf{A}_m = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{g}_m = \begin{bmatrix} g_0 \\ g_1 \\ u_{m+1/2} \end{bmatrix}. \quad (3.33)$$

These are then combined with the other element contributions in the global matrix (3.16).

3.5 Dry Beds

Dry beds are handled adequately by all steps of our FEVM in their current form, except the FEM solution for u . For the FEM a dry bed presents two issues; when $h = 0$ the stiffness matrix will become singular, and when h is small u may become quite large leading to instabilities.

In previous work [25] direct banded matrix solvers such as the Thomas algorithm were employed to solve (3.17), however such methods rely on non-singular matrices and so are unsuitable for dry beds. To deal with this an LU decomposition algorithm by Press et al. [19] was used. This algorithm solves banded matrix problems using an LU decomposition with partial pivoting, which inserts small non-zero pivots when their value is below some tolerance value p_{tol} . It does this while also keeping the banded matrix structure, and so is not as memory intensive as a standard *LU* decomposition. This results in a FEM that allows for $h = 0$, but still faces the problem of large u values when h is small.

To deal with large u values we restricted our solution of the FEM for u to cells where $\bar{h}_j > h_{tol}$ and modified our approximation to $h_{j-1/2}^+$ and $h_{j+1/2}^-$ in our stiffness matrix. To restrict the domain of our solution we search through the domain at the beginning of each first-order step and identify wet regions where $\bar{h}_j \geq h_{tol}$ and dry regions where $\bar{h}_j < h_{tol}$. In the dry regions we set h , G and u to be zero uniformly over the cell. In the wet regions we solve the FEM with the appropriate boundary conditions and the following modifications to $h_{j-1/2}^+$ and $h_{j+1/2}^-$

$$h_{j-1/2}^+ = h_{j-1/2}^+ \left(\frac{h_{j-1/2}^+ + h_{base}}{h_{j-1/2}^+ + h_{tol}} \right), \quad (3.34a)$$

$$h_{j+1/2}^- = h_{j+1/2}^- \left(\frac{h_{j+1/2}^- + h_{base}}{h_{j+1/2}^- + h_{tol}} \right). \quad (3.34b)$$

Where on the right hand side we mean $h_{j-1/2}^+$ and $h_{j+1/2}^-$ as calculated from the reconstruction (3.4). This modification ensures that as $h \rightarrow 0$ and correspondingly $G \rightarrow 0$ then $u \rightarrow 0$ by increasing the size of h in the stiffness matrix.

Typically we had $p_{tol} = 10^{-20}$, $h_{tol} = 10^{-12}$ and $h_{base} = 10^{-8}$ which allowed for a stable calculation of u in the presence of dry beds and small water depths. While the accuracy of the calculation of u by the FEM was maintained when the water depth is large compared to h_{tol} and h_{base} .

Chapter 4

Linear Analysis of the Numerical Methods

An important property of a numerical method is convergence. Convergence guarantees that as the spatial and temporal resolution of a numerical method is increased, then the numerical solution approaches the analytic solution of the partial differential equations they approximate.

For linear partial differential equations the Lax-equivalence theorem states that a numerical method is convergent if and only if it is stable and consistent [26]. A numerical scheme is consistent if the error introduced by the numerical method over a time step approaches zero as the spatial and temporal resolution is increased. While a numerical method is stable if the errors from previous time steps are not amplified in subsequent time steps.

Another important attribute of a numerical method modelling dispersive wave equations, such as the Serre equations is its dispersion properties. The dispersion relation of a system determines the phase and group velocity of travelling waves in that system. The Serre equations possess a dispersion relation that well approximates the dispersion relation given by linear theory for water waves [12]. Therefore, how well the dispersion relation of a numerical method approximates the dispersion relation of the Serre equations is of particular interest.

We analysed the convergence and the dispersion properties of our numerical methods for the linearised Serre equations with horizontal beds. The effect of variations in the bed and nonlinear terms are important when studying the convergence properties of our methods for the full Serre equations. However, these effects greatly increase the complexity of the convergence analysis. We restrict ourselves to the study of the linearised Serre with horizontal beds to offer some

insight into the convergence properties of our numerical methods without having to deal with this greater complexity. In general, we would expect that a numerical method that has poor convergence properties for the linearised Serre equations with horizontal beds will also have poor convergence properties when the bed and nonlinear terms are included. The dispersion properties are derived from the linearised Serre equations with variable bathymetry having no effect [25], therefore this analysis of dispersion properties of the numerical methods is complete.

The linear analyses of convergence and dispersion properties rely on establishing a relationship of the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} h \\ G \end{bmatrix}_j^{n+1} = \mathbf{E} \begin{bmatrix} h \\ G \end{bmatrix}_j^n \quad (4.1)$$

where \mathbf{E} is the evolution matrix relating the conserved quantities h and G at time level t^n with the conserved quantities at time level t^{n+1} , which is independent of n and j . The evolution matrix \mathbf{E} is obtained in the analyses by propagating Fourier modes through the numerical scheme. By analysing the properties of \mathbf{E} we can determine the convergence and dispersion properties of its associated numerical method.

We derive \mathbf{E} in (4.1) for the second-order FEVM and perform the convergence and dispersion analysis. We will then present the results of these analyses for all the numerical methods in this thesis.

4.1 Linearised Serre equations with horizontal bed

The Serre equations with a horizontal bed (2.4) are linearised by considering waves as small perturbations $\delta\eta$ and δv on a flow with a mean height H and a mean velocity U respectively. So we have

$$h(x, t) = H + \delta\eta(x, t) + \mathcal{O}(\delta^2), \quad (4.2a)$$

$$u(x, t) = U + \delta v(x, t) + \mathcal{O}(\delta^2), \quad (4.2b)$$

where $\delta \ll 1$. These waves are relatively small so terms of order δ^2 are negligible. We substitute (4.2) into the Serre equations and neglect terms of order δ^2 to obtain

$$\frac{\partial(\delta\eta)}{\partial t} + H \frac{\partial(\delta v)}{\partial x} + U \frac{\partial(\delta\eta)}{\partial x} = 0, \quad (4.3a)$$

$$H \frac{\partial(\delta v)}{\partial t} + gH \frac{\partial(\delta\eta)}{\partial x} + UH \frac{\partial(\delta v)}{\partial x} - \frac{H^3}{3} \left(U \frac{\partial^3(\delta v)}{\partial x^3} + \frac{\partial^3(\delta v)}{\partial x^2 \partial t} \right) = 0 \quad (4.3b)$$

and for G

$$G = UH + U\delta\eta + H\delta v - \frac{H^3}{3} \frac{\partial^2(\delta v)}{\partial x^2}. \quad (4.3c)$$

These equations can be reformulated into conservation law form for the quantities η and G

$$\frac{\partial\eta}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (Hv + U\eta) = 0, \quad (4.4a)$$

$$\frac{\partial G}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (UG + UHv + gH\eta) = 0 \quad (4.4b)$$

where

$$G = UH + U\eta + Hv - \frac{H^3}{3} \frac{\partial^2(v)}{\partial x^2}. \quad (4.4c)$$

We have absorbed the δ factor into the corresponding η and v terms to simplify the notation.

4.2 Evolution Matrix

To derive the evolution matrix we investigate the eigenfunctions of the linearised Serre equations with horizontal beds (4.4), which correspond to η and v being Fourier modes. For a general quantity q a Fourier mode is

$$q(x, t) = q(0, 0)e^{i(\omega t + kx)} \quad (4.5)$$

where k is the wavenumber, ω is the frequency and i is the imaginary number. The eigenfunctions are also studied to derive the analytical dispersion relation of the linearised Serre equations. A consequence of a quantity q being a Fourier mode represented on a uniform temporal and spatial grid is that for any real numbers m and l we have

$$q_{j+l}^{n+m} = q_j^n e^{i(m\omega\Delta t + lk\Delta x)}. \quad (4.6)$$

Because η and v are Fourier modes then so is G . Furthermore, the cell averages of these quantities $\bar{\eta}$, \bar{v} and \bar{G} are Fourier modes as well.

When all the quantities are Fourier modes the operators $\mathcal{R}_{j-1/2}^+$, \mathcal{R}_j , $\mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^-$, \mathcal{G} , $\mathcal{F}_{j-1/2}$ and $\mathcal{F}_{j+1/2}$ from Chapter 3 only vary with H , U , k , ω , Δx and Δt and hence are independent of j and n . By combining these operators the evolution matrix \mathbf{E} can be derived for the second-order FEVM for the linearised Serre equations with horizontal bed. Since all of the constituent operators are independent of j and n then \mathbf{E} will also be independent of j and n , as desired. We will now derive expressions for all these operators, following the structure laid out in Section 3.2.

(i) Reconstruction

Given $\bar{\eta}$ and \bar{G} at t^n the first step of our numerical method is to reconstruct η and G inside the j^{th} cell at $x_{j-1/2}^+$, x_j and $x_{j+1/2}^-$ using $\mathcal{R}_{j-1/2}^+$, \mathcal{R}_j and $\mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^-$ from (3.4). Since, η and G are Fourier modes and therefore smooth we do not require non-linear limiters to ensure our scheme is TVD and so we use the slope $d_j = \frac{-\bar{q}_{j-1} + \bar{q}_{j+1}}{2\Delta x}$ in the reconstruction. Applying (4.6) to the reconstructions (3.4) with the centred slope approximation we obtain

$$q_{j-\frac{1}{2}}^+ = \bar{q}_j - \frac{-\bar{q}_j e^{-ik\Delta x} + \bar{q}_j e^{ik\Delta x}}{4} = \left(1 - \frac{i \sin(k\Delta x)}{2}\right) \bar{q}_j = \mathcal{R}_{j-1/2}^+ \bar{q}_j \quad (4.7a)$$

$$q_j = \bar{q}_j = \mathcal{R}_j \bar{q}_j, \quad (4.7b)$$

$$q_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^- = \bar{q}_j + \frac{-\bar{q}_j e^{-ik\Delta x} + \bar{q}_j e^{ik\Delta x}}{4} = \left(1 + \frac{i \sin(k\Delta x)}{2}\right) \bar{q}_j = \mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^- \bar{q}_j. \quad (4.7c)$$

(ii) Fluid Velocity

To calculate $v_{j+1/2}$ we use a second-order FEM. We begin our FEM for (4.4c) with its weak formulation, obtained by multiplying (4.4c) by a test function τ and integrating over the domain Ω

$$\int_{\Omega} G \tau \, dx = UH \int_{\Omega} \tau \, dx + U \int_{\Omega} \eta \tau \, dx + H \int_{\Omega} v \tau \, dx + \frac{H^3}{3} \int_{\Omega} \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \frac{\partial \tau}{\partial x} \, dx.$$

For G we use the basis functions $\psi_{j-1/2}^+$ and $\psi_{j+1/2}^-$ [], which means our approximation to G is linear inside a cell with discontinuous jumps at the cell edges. For τ and v we use the basis functions $\phi_{j-1/2}$, ϕ_j and $\phi_{j+1/2}$ [] so that τ and v are quadratic functions inside a cell and are continuous across the cell edges. Substituting in the finite element approximations to these quantities and only integrating over the j^{th} cell, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_j \int_{x_{j-1/2}}^{x_{j+1/2}} \left(G_{j-1/2}^+ \psi_{j-1/2}^+ + G_{j+1/2}^- \psi_{j+1/2}^- \right) \begin{bmatrix} \phi_{j-1/2} \\ \phi_j \\ \phi_{j+1/2} \end{bmatrix} dx = \\
& \sum_j UH \int_{x_{j-1/2}}^{x_{j+1/2}} \begin{bmatrix} \phi_{j-1/2} \\ \phi_j \\ \phi_{j+1/2} \end{bmatrix} dx + \sum_j U \int_{x_{j-1/2}}^{x_{j+1/2}} \left(\eta_{j-1/2}^+ \psi_{j-1/2}^+ + \eta_{j+1/2}^- \psi_{j+1/2}^- \right) \begin{bmatrix} \phi_{j-1/2} \\ \phi_j \\ \phi_{j+1/2} \end{bmatrix} dx \\
& + \sum_j H \int_{x_{j-1/2}}^{x_{j+1/2}} (v_{j-1/2} \phi_{j-1/2} + v_j \phi_j + v_{j+1/2} \phi_{j+1/2}) \begin{bmatrix} \phi_{j-1/2} \\ \phi_j \\ \phi_{j+1/2} \end{bmatrix} dx \\
& + \sum_j \frac{H^3}{3} \int_{x_{j-1/2}}^{x_{j+1/2}} \left(v_{j-1/2} \frac{\partial \phi_{j-1/2}}{\partial x} + v_j \frac{\partial \phi_j}{\partial x} + v_{j+1/2} \frac{\partial \phi_{j+1/2}}{\partial x} \right) \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \phi_{j-1/2}}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial \phi_j}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial \phi_{j+1/2}}{\partial x} \end{bmatrix} dx.
\end{aligned}$$

Calculating all the integrals of the appropriate basis function combinations we get

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_j \frac{\Delta x}{6} \begin{bmatrix} G_{j-1/2}^+ \\ 2G_{j-1/2}^+ + 2G_{j+1/2}^- \\ G_{j+1/2}^- \end{bmatrix} &= \sum_j UH \frac{\Delta x}{6} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \sum_j \frac{\Delta x}{6} U \begin{bmatrix} \eta_{j-1/2}^+ \\ 2\eta_{j-1/2}^+ + 2\eta_{j+1/2}^- \\ \eta_{j+1/2}^- \end{bmatrix} \\
&+ \sum_j \left(H \frac{\Delta x}{30} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 16 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{H^3}{9\Delta x} \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -8 & 1 \\ -8 & 16 & -8 \\ 1 & -8 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{bmatrix} v_{j-1/2} \\ v_j \\ v_{j+1/2} \end{bmatrix}.
\end{aligned}$$

Using (4.7), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_j \frac{\Delta x}{6} \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{R}_{j-1/2}^+ \bar{G}_j \\ 2\mathcal{R}_{j-1/2}^+ \bar{G}_j + 2\mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^- \bar{G}_j \\ \mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^- \bar{G}_j \end{bmatrix} &= \sum_j UH \frac{\Delta x}{6} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
&\quad + \sum_j \frac{\Delta x}{6} U \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{R}_{j-1/2}^+ \bar{\eta}_j \\ 2\mathcal{R}_{j-1/2}^+ \bar{\eta}_j + 2\mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^- \bar{\eta}_j \\ \mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^- \bar{\eta}_j \end{bmatrix} \\
\sum_j \left(H \frac{\Delta x}{30} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 16 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{H^3}{9\Delta x} \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -8 & 1 \\ -8 & 16 & -8 \\ 1 & -8 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \right) &\begin{bmatrix} e^{-ik\frac{\Delta x}{2}} v_j \\ v_j \\ e^{ik\frac{\Delta x}{2}} v_j \end{bmatrix}.
\end{aligned}$$

After simplifying

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_j \frac{\Delta x}{6} \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{R}_{j-1/2}^+ \\ 2\mathcal{R}_{j-1/2}^+ + 2\mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^- \\ \mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^- \end{bmatrix} \bar{G}_j &= \sum_j UH \frac{\Delta x}{6} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
&\quad + \sum_j \frac{\Delta x}{6} \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{R}_{j-1/2}^+ \\ 2\mathcal{R}_{j-1/2}^+ + 2\mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^- \\ \mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^- \end{bmatrix} \bar{\eta}_j + \sum_j \left(H \frac{\Delta x}{30} \begin{bmatrix} 4e^{-ik\frac{\Delta x}{2}} + 2 - e^{ik\frac{\Delta x}{2}} \\ 2e^{-ik\frac{\Delta x}{2}} + 16 + 2e^{ik\frac{\Delta x}{2}} \\ -e^{-ik\frac{\Delta x}{2}} + 2 + 4e^{ik\frac{\Delta x}{2}} \end{bmatrix} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \frac{H^3}{9\Delta x} \begin{bmatrix} 7e^{-ik\frac{\Delta x}{2}} - 8 + e^{ik\frac{\Delta x}{2}} \\ -8e^{-ik\frac{\Delta x}{2}} + 16 - 8e^{ik\frac{\Delta x}{2}} \\ e^{-ik\frac{\Delta x}{2}} - 8 + 7e^{ik\frac{\Delta x}{2}} \end{bmatrix} \right) v_j.
\end{aligned}$$

These vectors represent the contribution from the j^{th} cell to the three equations relating the quantities at $x_{j-1/2}$, x_j and $x_{j+1/2}$ respectively. Since the intercell flux only requires the velocity at the cell edges we only need to solve the first and third equations. These equations are equivalent up to a translation and therefore we will only consider the third equation.

So far we have only given the contribution to the equation at $x_{j+1/2}$ from the j^{th} cell, but there is also a contribution from the adjacent $(j+1)^{th}$ cell because

$\phi_{j+1/2}$ is non-zero over both cells. Accounting for this we get

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\Delta x}{6} \left(\mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^- + \mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^+ \right) \bar{G}_j &= \frac{\Delta x}{6} 2UH + \frac{\Delta x}{6} U \left(\mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^- + \mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^+ \right) \bar{\eta}_j \\
&\quad \left(H \frac{\Delta x}{30} \left[-e^{-ik\frac{\Delta x}{2}} + 2 + 4e^{ik\frac{\Delta x}{2}} \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. + e^{ik\Delta x} \left(4e^{-ik\frac{\Delta x}{2}} + 2 - e^{ik\frac{\Delta x}{2}} \right) \right] \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \frac{H^3}{9\Delta x} \left[e^{-ik\frac{\Delta x}{2}} - 8 + 7e^{ik\frac{\Delta x}{2}} \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. + e^{ik\Delta x} \left(7e^{-ik\frac{\Delta x}{2}} - 8 + e^{ik\frac{\Delta x}{2}} \right) \right] \right) v_j \\
&= \frac{\Delta x}{3} UH + \frac{\Delta x}{6} U \left(\mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^- + \mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^+ \right) \bar{\eta}_j \\
&\quad + \left[H \frac{\Delta x}{30} \left(4 \cos \left(\frac{k\Delta x}{2} \right) - 2 \cos(k\Delta x) + 8 \right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \frac{H^3}{9\Delta x} \left(-16 \cos \left(\frac{k\Delta x}{2} \right) + 2 \cos(k\Delta x) + 14 \right) \right] \\
&\quad \times e^{ik\frac{\Delta x}{2}} v_j.
\end{aligned}$$

From (4.6) $v_{j+1/2} = e^{ik\frac{\Delta x}{2}} v_j$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}
v_{j+1/2} &= \left[\left(\frac{\Delta x}{6} \left(\mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^- + \mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^+ \right) \right) \bar{G}_j \right. \\
&\quad \left. - U \left(\frac{\Delta x}{6} \left(\mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^- + \mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^+ \right) \right) \bar{\eta}_j - \frac{\Delta x}{3} UH \right] \\
&\quad \div \left[H \frac{\Delta x}{30} \left(4 \cos \left(\frac{k\Delta x}{2} \right) - 2 \cos(k\Delta x) + 8 \right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \frac{H^3}{9\Delta x} \left(-16 \cos \left(\frac{k\Delta x}{2} \right) + 2 \cos(k\Delta x) + 14 \right) \right] \\
&= \mathcal{G}^G \bar{G}_j + \mathcal{G}^\eta \bar{\eta}_j + \mathcal{G}^c. \tag{4.8}
\end{aligned}$$

(iii) Flux Across the Cell Interfaces

The average intercell flux $F_{j+1/2}$ is approximated using Kurganov's method [20]. For the linearised Serre equations we have the wave speed bounds (2.13a), so that

$$a_{j+1/2}^- = \min \left\{ 0, U - \sqrt{gH} \right\} \quad \text{and} \quad a_{j+1/2}^+ = \max \left\{ 0, U + \sqrt{gH} \right\}. \quad (4.9)$$

This method has three different approximations to $F_{j+1/2}$ depending on the Froude number $Fr = \frac{U}{\sqrt{gH}}$; (i) supercritical flow to the left where $Fr < -1$, (ii) critical and subcritical flow in both directions where $-1 \leq Fr \leq 1$ and (iii) supercritical flow to the right where $Fr > 1$. We will derive the flux operators for each of these cases separately.

Left Supercritical Flow $Fr < -1$:

For left supercritical flow; $Fr < -1$ and therefore $U + \sqrt{gH} < 0$ so we have from (4.9) that $a_{j+1/2}^- = U - \sqrt{gH}$ and $a_{j+1/2}^+ = 0$. For these values the Kurganov flux approximation for a general quantity q (3.18) reduces to

$$F_{j+\frac{1}{2}} = f \left(q_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^+ \right). \quad (4.10)$$

Substituting the flux function from the continuity equation (4.4a) into the Kurganov flux approximation we obtain

$$F_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^\eta = Hv_{j+1/2} + U\eta_{j+1/2}^+$$

since v is continuous and therefore $v_{j+1/2} = v_{j+1/2}^+ = v_{j+1/2}^-$. Using the FEM for $v_{j+1/2}$ (4.8) and the reconstruction (4.7) we have

$$\begin{aligned} F_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^\eta &= H \left(\mathcal{G}^G \bar{G}_j + \mathcal{G}^\eta \bar{\eta}_j + \mathcal{G}^c \right) + U\eta_{j+1/2}^+ \\ &= \left(H\mathcal{G}^\eta + U\mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^+ \right) \bar{\eta}_j + H\mathcal{G}^G \bar{G}_j + H\mathcal{G}^c \\ &= \mathcal{F}_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{\eta,\eta} \bar{\eta}_j + \mathcal{F}_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{\eta,G} \bar{G}_j + \mathcal{F}_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{\eta,c} \end{aligned} \quad (4.11)$$

Substituting the flux function for the conservation of G equation (4.4b) into the Kurganov flux approximation (4.10) we obtain

$$F_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^G = UG_{j+1/2}^+ + UHv_{j+1/2} + gH\eta_{j+1/2}^+$$

Using the FEM (4.8) to calculate $v_{j+1/2}$ and our interface reconstruction (4.7) we have

$$\begin{aligned} F_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^G &= U G_{j+1/2}^+ + U H (\mathcal{G}^G \bar{G}_j + \mathcal{G}^\eta \bar{\eta}_j + \mathcal{G}^c) + g H \eta_{j+1/2}^+ \\ &= (U H \mathcal{G}^\eta + g H \mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^+) \bar{\eta}_j + (U \mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^+ + U H \mathcal{G}^G) \bar{G}_j + U H \mathcal{G}^c \\ &= \mathcal{F}_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{G,\eta} \bar{\eta}_j + \mathcal{F}_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{G,G} \bar{G}_j + \mathcal{F}_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{G,c} \end{aligned} \quad (4.12)$$

Subcritical flow $-1 \leq Fr \leq 1$:

When the flow is subcritical we have $-1 \leq Fr \leq 1$, which means that $a_{j+1/2}^- = U - \sqrt{gH}$ and $a_{j+1/2}^+ = U + \sqrt{gH}$. Therefore, the Kurganov flux approximation for a general quantity q (3.18) is

$$\begin{aligned} F_{j+\frac{1}{2}} &= \frac{U}{2\sqrt{gH}} [f(q_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^-) - f(q_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^+)] + \frac{1}{2} [f(q_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^-) + f(q_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^+)] \\ &\quad + \frac{U^2 - gH}{2\sqrt{gH}} [q_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^+ - q_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^-]. \end{aligned} \quad (4.13)$$

Substituting in the flux function from the continuity equation (4.4a) we get

$$\begin{aligned} F_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^\eta &= \frac{U}{2\sqrt{gH}} [H v_{j+1/2} + U \eta_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^- - H v_{j+1/2} - U \eta_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^+] \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} [H v_{j+1/2} + U \eta_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^- + H v_{j+1/2} + U \eta_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^+] \\ &\quad + \frac{U^2 - gH}{2\sqrt{gH}} [\eta_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^+ - \eta_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^-]. \end{aligned} \quad (4.14)$$

Using the reconstruction factors (4.7) and the elliptic solver (4.8) we get

$$\begin{aligned} F_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^\eta &= \left(H \mathcal{G}^\eta + \frac{U}{2} [\mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^- + \mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^+] - \frac{\sqrt{gH}}{2} [\mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^+ - \mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^-] \right) \bar{\eta}_j \\ &\quad + H \mathcal{G}^G \bar{G}_j + H \mathcal{G}^c \\ &= \mathcal{F}_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{\eta,\eta} \bar{\eta}_j + \mathcal{F}_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{\eta,G} \bar{G}_j + \mathcal{F}_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{\eta,c}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.15)$$

For the flux function of the conservation of G equation (4.4b) the flux approximation (4.13) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} F_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^G &= \frac{U}{2\sqrt{gH}} [U G_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^- + U H v_{j+1/2} + g H \eta_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^- - U G_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^+ - U H v_{j+1/2} - g H \eta_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^+] \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} [U G_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^- + U H v_{j+1/2} + g H \eta_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^- + U G_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^+ + U H v_{j+1/2} + g H \eta_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^+] \\ &\quad + \frac{U^2 - gH}{2\sqrt{gH}} [G_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^+ - G_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^-]. \end{aligned} \quad (4.16)$$

By using the reconstruction factors (4.7) and the elliptic solver (4.8) we get

$$\begin{aligned}
F_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^G &= \left(\frac{U\sqrt{gH}}{2} [\mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^- - \mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^+] + UH\mathcal{G}^\eta + \frac{gH}{2} [\mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^- + \mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^+] \right) \bar{\eta}_j \\
&\quad + \left(UH\mathcal{G}^G + \frac{U}{2} [\mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^- + \mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^+] - \frac{\sqrt{gH}}{2} [\mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^+ - \mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^-] \right) \bar{G}_j \\
&\quad + UH\mathcal{G}^c \\
&= \mathcal{F}_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{G,\eta} \bar{\eta}_j + \mathcal{F}_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{G,G} \bar{G}_j + \mathcal{F}_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{G,c}.
\end{aligned} \tag{4.17}$$

Right supercritical flow $Fr > 1$:

When the flow is flowing to the right and supercritical we have $Fr > 1$, which means that $a_{j+1/2}^- = 0$ and $a_{j+1/2}^+ = U + \sqrt{gH}$. This is very similar to the left supercritical case, except instead of $\mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^+$ we have $\mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^-$ in our flux approximation for a general quantity (3.18) which reduces to

$$F_{j+\frac{1}{2}} = f(q_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^-). \tag{4.18}$$

Substituting in the flux function for the continuity equation (4.4a) and the conservation of G equation (4.4b) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
F_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^\eta &= \left(H\mathcal{G}^\eta + U\mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^- \right) \bar{\eta}_j + H\mathcal{G}^G \bar{G}_j + H\mathcal{G}^c \\
&= \mathcal{F}_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{\eta,\eta} \bar{\eta}_j + \mathcal{F}_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{\eta,G} \bar{G}_j + \mathcal{F}_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{\eta,c},
\end{aligned} \tag{4.19}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
F_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^G &= \left(UH\mathcal{G}^\eta + gH\mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^- \right) \bar{\eta}_j + \left(U\mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^- + UH\mathcal{G}^G \right) \bar{G}_j + UH\mathcal{G}^c \\
&= \mathcal{F}_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{G,\eta} \bar{\eta}_j + \mathcal{F}_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{G,G} \bar{G}_j + \mathcal{F}_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{G,c}.
\end{aligned} \tag{4.20}$$

(iv) Source Terms

The Serre equations for a horizontal bed (2.4) do not contain source terms and so this step makes no contribution to the linear analysis.

(v) Update Cell Averages

We have obtained the operators for the flux functions for all three cases, supercritical flow in both directions and subcritical flow. By substituting the appropriate flux approximation for the physical situation into our update scheme (3.29) our second-order FEVM can be written as

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{\eta}_j^{n+1} &= \bar{\eta}_j^n - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \left[\left(\mathcal{F}_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{\eta,\eta} \bar{\eta}_j + \mathcal{F}_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{\eta,G} \bar{G}_j + \mathcal{F}_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{\eta,c} \right) - \left(\mathcal{F}_{j-\frac{1}{2}}^{\eta,\eta} \bar{\eta}_j + \mathcal{F}_{j-\frac{1}{2}}^{\eta,G} \bar{G}_j + \mathcal{F}_{j-\frac{1}{2}}^{\eta,c} \right) \right], \\ \bar{G}_j^{n+1} &= \bar{G}_j^n - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \left[\left(\mathcal{F}_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{G,\eta} \bar{\eta}_j + \mathcal{F}_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{G,G} \bar{G}_j + \mathcal{F}_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{G,c} \right) - \left(\mathcal{F}_{j-\frac{1}{2}}^{G,\eta} \bar{\eta}_j + \mathcal{F}_{j-\frac{1}{2}}^{G,G} \bar{G}_j + \mathcal{F}_{j-\frac{1}{2}}^{G,c} \right) \right].\end{aligned}$$

Since $\mathcal{F}_{j-\frac{1}{2}} = e^{-ik\Delta x} \mathcal{F}_{j+\frac{1}{2}}$ for all superscripts we have

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{\eta}_j^{n+1} &= \bar{\eta}_j^n - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \left[(1 - e^{-ik\Delta x}) \left(\mathcal{F}_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{\eta,\eta} \bar{\eta}_j + \mathcal{F}_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{\eta,G} \bar{G}_j \right) \right], \\ \bar{G}_j^{n+1} &= \bar{G}_j^n - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \left[(1 - e^{-ik\Delta x}) \left(\mathcal{F}_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{G,\eta} \bar{\eta}_j + \mathcal{F}_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{G,G} \bar{G}_j \right) \right].\end{aligned}$$

This can be written in matrix form as

$$\begin{aligned}\begin{bmatrix} \bar{\eta} \\ \bar{G} \end{bmatrix}_j^{n+1} &= \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\eta} \\ \bar{G} \end{bmatrix}_j^n - (1 - e^{-ik\Delta x}) \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{F}^{\eta,\eta} & \mathcal{F}^{\eta,G} \\ \mathcal{F}^{G,\eta} & \mathcal{F}^{G,G} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\eta} \\ \bar{G} \end{bmatrix}_j^n \\ &= (\mathbf{I} - \Delta t \mathbf{F}) \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\eta} \\ \bar{G} \end{bmatrix}_j^n\end{aligned}\tag{4.21}$$

for a single Euler step which results in a method that is first-order in time and second-order in space. To increase the order of accuracy in time we use SSP Runge-Kutta time stepping which makes use of a convex combination of multiple Euler steps.

(vi) Second-Order SSP Runge-Kutta Method

The second-order SSP Runge-Kutta time stepping in the FEVM (3.30) can be rewritten using (4.21) as

$$\begin{bmatrix} \bar{\eta} \\ \bar{G} \end{bmatrix}_j' = (\mathbf{I} - \Delta t \mathbf{F}) \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\eta} \\ \bar{G} \end{bmatrix}_j^n,\tag{4.22a}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \bar{\eta} \\ \bar{G} \end{bmatrix}_j'' = (\mathbf{I} - \Delta t \mathbf{F}) \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\eta} \\ \bar{G} \end{bmatrix}_j',\tag{4.22b}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \bar{\eta} \\ \bar{G} \end{bmatrix}_j^{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\begin{bmatrix} \bar{\eta} \\ \bar{G} \end{bmatrix}_j^n + \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\eta} \\ \bar{G} \end{bmatrix}_j'' \right).\tag{4.22c}$$

Substituting (4.22a) and (4.22b) into (4.22c) we can write this in terms of the flux matrix \mathbf{F} and our cell averages at t^n as

$$\begin{bmatrix} \bar{\eta} \\ \bar{G} \end{bmatrix}_j^{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\begin{bmatrix} \bar{\eta} \\ \bar{G} \end{bmatrix}_j^n + (\mathbf{I} - \Delta t \mathbf{F})^2 \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\eta} \\ \bar{G} \end{bmatrix}_j^n \right).$$

Expanding $(\mathbf{I} - \Delta t \mathbf{F})^2$ we get

$$\begin{aligned} \left[\frac{\bar{\eta}}{G} \right]_j^{n+1} &= \left(\mathbf{I} - \Delta t \mathbf{F} + \frac{1}{2} \Delta t^2 \mathbf{F}^2 \right) \left[\frac{\bar{\eta}}{G} \right]_j^n \\ &= \mathbf{E} \left[\frac{\bar{\eta}}{G} \right]_j^n \end{aligned} \quad (4.23)$$

which is in the desired form (4.1).

This is the evolution matrix \mathbf{E} for the second-order FEVM. The matrix \mathbf{E} is dependent on the flux matrix \mathbf{F} and therefore will depend on the Froude number. The Froude number is constant over time in this analysis and so we can investigate these flow scenarios individually.

Both the convergence and dispersion analysis then proceed by studying the properties of the evolution matrix \mathbf{E} . We begin with the convergence analysis.

4.3 Convergence Analysis

The linearised Serre equations are linear partial differential equations and therefore we can apply the Lax-equivalence theorem to demonstrate the convergence of our numerical methods by establishing their consistency and stability. We use a Von Neumann stability analysis to demonstrate stability. Consistency is demonstrated for Fourier mode solutions (4.5), which are eigenfunctions of the linearised Serre equations. Together this stability and consistency condition imply convergence of the numerical method under the L_2 norm.

4.3.1 Stability

For a numerical method to be stable we must ensure that errors from previous time steps are not amplified by the current time step. To accomplish this we must ensure

$$\rho(\mathbf{E}) \leq 1 \quad (4.24)$$

where $\rho(\mathbf{E})$ is the spectral radius of \mathbf{E} . Since \mathbf{E} was derived for our methods by using Fourier modes, this condition implies Von Neumann stability.

We calculated $\rho(\mathbf{E})$ numerically for various values of Δx , Δt , k , H and U to check if (4.24) holds. We summarised our results in Figure 4.1 which is a plot of $\rho(\mathbf{E})$ against $\Delta x/\lambda$ for representative values of k , H and U . We used g

$= 9.81m/s^2$ and chose $\Delta t = 0.5 / (U + \sqrt{gH}) \Delta x$ to satisfy the CFL condition (3.31). This is the common choice of Δt in our numerical experiments.

The behaviour of $\rho(\mathbf{E})$ for $H = 1m$, $k = \frac{\pi}{10}m^{-1}$ and $U = 0m/s$ and $1m/s$ is shown in Figure 4.1 and is representative of the behaviour for all other values of H , k and U . For these k and H values our shallowness parameter $\sigma = \frac{1}{20}$ and so the Serre equations are applicable [].

In Figure 4.1 it can be seen that all methods have $\rho(\mathbf{E}) \leq 1$ for $U = 0m/s$ and are therefore stable. The two finite difference methods overlap and have $\rho(\mathbf{E}) = 1$ for all Δx values, while the second-order FDVM and the second-order FEVM also overlap. However, when $U \neq 0m/s$ then \mathcal{W} has $\rho(\mathbf{E}) > 1$ for all Δx and is therefore unstable. While all other methods retain their stability when $U \neq 0m/s$.

The analytic value of $\rho(\mathbf{E})$ is given by using (4.6) to write

$$\left[\frac{\bar{\eta}}{G} \right]_j^{n+1} = e^{i\omega\Delta t} \left[\frac{\bar{\eta}}{G} \right]_j^n.$$

Therefore, the analytic growth factor is

$$\rho(\mathbf{E}) = |e^{i\omega\Delta t}| = \sqrt{\cos^2(\omega\Delta t) + \sin^2(\omega\Delta t)} = 1 \quad (4.25)$$

since $\omega \in \mathbb{R}$ (2.11). Therefore numerical methods with $\rho(\mathbf{E})$ closer to 1 are closer to the analytic value. In this sense the two finite difference methods are best, although \mathcal{W} is unstable for $U \neq 0m/s$. As expected higher-order FDVM better approximate the analytic value of the growth factor and $\lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \rho(\mathbf{E}) = 1$ for all numerical methods.

We observed the same results for a wide range of k , H and U , in particular all methods except \mathcal{W} were stable for any value of these variables. While \mathcal{W} was only stable when $U = 0m/s$.

4.3.2 Consistency

For a numerical method to be consistent the error introduced by the method for a single time step must approach zero as the spatial and temporal resolution is increased. To demonstrate the convergence it is enough to demonstrate consistency for the eigenfunctions of the linearised Serre equations. Therefore, we can demonstrate consistency by investigating the evolution matrix \mathbf{E} . The error

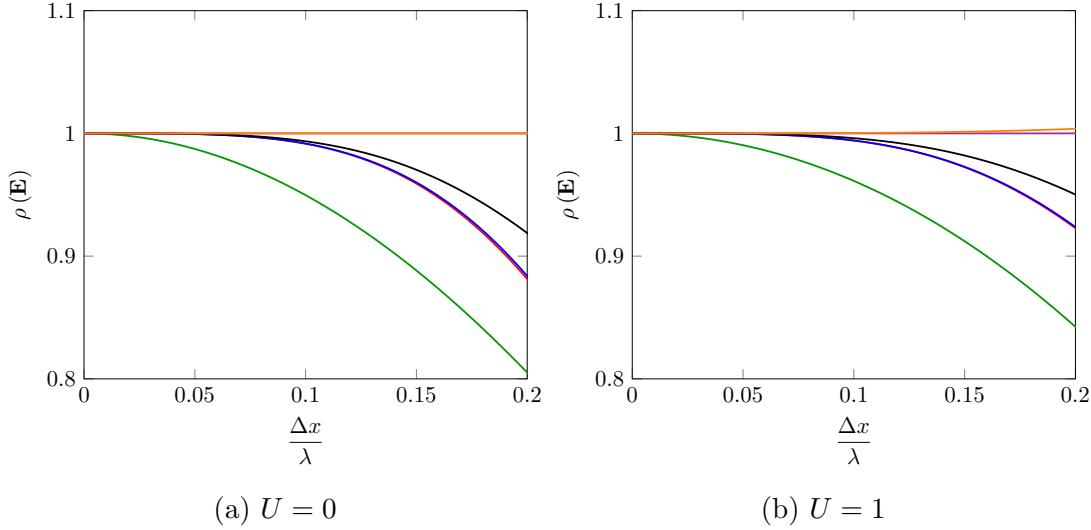


Figure 4.1: Spectral radius of \mathbf{E} for first-order FDVM (—), second-order FDVM (—), second-order FEVM (—), third-order FDVM (—), \mathcal{D} (—) and \mathcal{W} (—). With $H = 1m$ and $k = \frac{\pi}{10}$.

introduced for a single time step from t^n to t^{n+1} , \mathcal{T}^n is

$$\mathcal{T}^n = \mathbf{E} \left[\frac{\bar{\eta}}{\bar{G}} \right]_j^n - \left[\frac{\bar{\eta}}{\bar{G}} \right]_j^{n+1}. \quad (4.26)$$

To ensure consistency we must have that $\lim_{\Delta x, \Delta t \rightarrow 0} \|\mathcal{T}^n\| = 0$ for all n . Taking the norm of both sides of (4.26) we get

$$\|\mathcal{T}^n\| = \left\| \mathbf{E} \left[\frac{\bar{\eta}}{\bar{G}} \right]_j^n - \left[\frac{\bar{\eta}}{\bar{G}} \right]_j^{n+1} \right\|.$$

Making use of (4.6) we obtain

$$\|\mathcal{T}^n\| = \left\| \mathbf{E} \left[\frac{\bar{\eta}}{\bar{G}} \right]_j^n - e^{i\omega \Delta t} \left[\frac{\bar{\eta}}{\bar{G}} \right]_j^n \right\|.$$

Using the matrix norm induced by the vector norm we have that

$$\|\mathcal{T}^n\| \leq \|\mathbf{E} - e^{i\omega \Delta t} \mathbf{I}\| \left\| \left[\frac{\bar{\eta}}{\bar{G}} \right]_j^n \right\|. \quad (4.27)$$

Since $\bar{\eta}_j^n$ and \bar{G}_j^n are finite and independent of Δx and Δt , if $\lim_{\Delta x, \Delta t \rightarrow 0} \|\mathbf{E} - e^{i\omega \Delta t} \mathbf{I}\| = 0$ then $\lim_{\Delta x, \Delta t \rightarrow 0} \|\mathcal{T}^n\| = 0$ as desired.

We calculated the Taylor series of $\mathbf{E} - e^{i\omega_+ \Delta t} \mathbf{I}$ for all the numerical methods for all flow scenarios; subcritical, critical and supercritical. We have reported the lowest order terms of the Taylor series in Tables 4.1 and 4.2 for the first-order FDVM, Table 4.3 for the second-order FDVM, Tables 4.4 and 4.5 for the third-order FDVM, Table 4.6 for the second-order FEVM, Table 4.7 for \mathcal{D} and Table 4.8 for \mathcal{W} . To be concise, the temporal and spatial errors for supercritical flow is only reported where it is different from the errors when $-1 \leq Fr \leq 1$, this only occurred for the spatial errors of the odd-order FDVM.

We observe for all the methods that the Taylor series of all the elements of $\mathbf{E} - e^{i\omega_+ \Delta t} \mathbf{I}$ have a factor of Δt . So that for all methods

$$\begin{aligned}\|\mathbf{E} - e^{i\omega_+ \Delta t} \mathbf{I}\| &= \left\| \Delta t \left(\mathbf{A}_0 + \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{O}(\Delta t) & \mathcal{O}(\Delta t) \\ \mathcal{O}(\Delta t) & \mathcal{O}(\Delta t) \end{bmatrix} \right) \right\| \\ &= |\Delta t| \left\| \mathbf{A}_0 + \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{O}(\Delta t) & \mathcal{O}(\Delta t) \\ \mathcal{O}(\Delta t) & \mathcal{O}(\Delta t) \end{bmatrix} \right\| \\ &\leq |\Delta t| \left(\|\mathbf{A}_0\| + \left\| \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{O}(\Delta t) & \mathcal{O}(\Delta t) \\ \mathcal{O}(\Delta t) & \mathcal{O}(\Delta t) \end{bmatrix} \right\| \right).\end{aligned}$$

Choosing a particular vector norm and its induced matrix norm it is clear from Tables 4.1-4.8 that \mathbf{A} is independent of Δt and finite so that as $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$ then $|\Delta t| \left(\|\mathbf{A}_0\| + \left\| \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{O}(\Delta t) & \mathcal{O}(\Delta t) \\ \mathcal{O}(\Delta t) & \mathcal{O}(\Delta t) \end{bmatrix} \right\| \right) \rightarrow 0$ and therefore $\|\mathbf{E} - e^{i\omega_+ \Delta t} \mathbf{I}\| \rightarrow 0$. Therefore, for all the numerical methods $\lim_{\Delta x, \Delta t \rightarrow 0} \|\mathcal{T}^n\| = 0$ and so all the numerical methods are consistent for Fourier mode solutions as desired.

4.4 Dispersion Analysis

To study the dispersion of the numerical methods the ω of the numerical methods must be calculated. Making use of (4.6) in (4.23) we get

$$e^{i\omega \Delta t} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\eta} \\ \bar{G} \end{bmatrix}_j^n = \mathbf{E} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\eta} \\ \bar{G} \end{bmatrix}_j^n. \quad (4.28)$$

Assuming that \mathbf{E} has an eigenvalue decomposition $\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{\Lambda} \mathbf{P}$ and substituting it into (4.28) we get

$$e^{i\omega \Delta t} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\eta} \\ \bar{G} \end{bmatrix}_j^n = \mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{\Lambda} \mathbf{P} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\eta} \\ \bar{G} \end{bmatrix}_j^n. \quad (4.29)$$

Element	Lowest Order Term of Error	
	Δx	Δt
$E_{0,0} - e^{i\omega_+ \Delta t}$	$-\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{gH}k^2\Delta t\Delta x$	$\frac{\sqrt{3gH\beta} + 3U}{\beta}ik\Delta t$
$E_{0,1}$	$\frac{3+\beta}{4\beta^2}ik^3\Delta t\Delta x^2$	$-\frac{3}{\beta}ik\Delta t$
$E_{1,0}$	$-\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{gH}k^2\Delta t\Delta x$	$\left(-gH + \frac{3U^2}{\beta}\right)ik\Delta t$
$E_{1,1} - e^{i\omega_+ \Delta t}$	$-\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{gH}k^2\Delta t\Delta x$	$\frac{\sqrt{3gH\beta} - 3U}{\beta}ik\Delta t$

Table 4.1: Table of the lowest order term of the Taylor series for the elements of $\mathbf{E} - e^{i\omega_+ \Delta t} \mathbf{I}$ for the first-order FDVM with $-1 \leq Fr \leq 1$ and $\beta = 3 + k^2 H^2$.

Scheme	Lowest Order Δx Term of Error	
	$Fr < -1$	$Fr > 1$
$E_{0,0} - e^{i\omega_+ \Delta t}$	$\frac{1}{2}k^2U\Delta t\Delta x$	$-\frac{1}{2}k^2U\Delta t\Delta x$
$E_{0,1}$	$\frac{1}{2}gHk^2\Delta t\Delta x$	$\frac{1}{2}gHk^2\Delta t\Delta x$
$E_{1,1} - e^{i\omega_+ \Delta t}$	$\frac{1}{2}k^2U\Delta t\Delta x$	$-\frac{1}{2}k^2U\Delta t\Delta x$

Table 4.2: Table of the lowest order term of the Taylor series for the elements of $\mathbf{E} - e^{i\omega_+ \Delta t} \mathbf{I}$ for the first-order FDVM which are different than those in Table 4.1.

Element	Lowest Order Term of Error	
	Δx	Δt
$E_{0,0} - e^{i\omega_+ \Delta t}$	$-\frac{i(27 + 9H^2k^2 + H^4k^4)}{12\beta^2}Uk^3\Delta x^2$	$\frac{\sqrt{3gH\beta} + 3U}{\beta}ik\Delta t$
$E_{0,1}$	$\frac{3 + \beta}{4\beta^2}ik^3\Delta t\Delta x^2$	$-\frac{3}{\beta}ik\Delta t$
$E_{1,0}$	$-\left(gH + \frac{3U^2}{\beta} + \frac{9U^2}{\beta^2}\right)\frac{k^3}{12}\Delta t\Delta x^2$	$\left(-gH + \frac{3U^2}{\beta}\right)ik\Delta t$
$E_{1,1} - e^{i\omega_+ \Delta t}$	$\frac{-9 + H^2k^2\beta}{\beta^2}\frac{k^3}{12}iU\Delta t\Delta x^2$	$\frac{\sqrt{3gH\beta} - 3U}{\beta}ik\Delta t$

Table 4.3: Table of the lowest order term of the Taylor series for the elements of $\mathbf{E} - e^{i\omega_+ \Delta t} \mathbf{I}$ for the second-order FDVM with $-1 \leq Fr \leq 1$ and $\beta = 3 + k^2H^2$.

Element	Lowest Order Term of Error	
	Δx	Δt
$E_{0,0} - e^{i\omega_+ \Delta t}$	$-\frac{1}{12}\sqrt{gH}k^4\Delta t\Delta x^3$	$\frac{\sqrt{3gH\beta} + 3U}{\beta}ik\Delta t$
$E_{0,1}$	$\frac{\sqrt{gH}}{4\beta}ik^5\Delta t^2\Delta x^3$	$-\frac{3}{\beta}ik\Delta t$
$E_{1,0}$	$-\frac{1}{12}\sqrt{gH}k^4\Delta t\Delta x^3$	$\left(-gH + \frac{3U^2}{\beta}\right)ik\Delta t$
$E_{1,1} - e^{i\omega_+ \Delta t}$	$-\frac{1}{12}\sqrt{gH}k^4\Delta t\Delta x^3$	$\frac{\sqrt{3gH\beta} - 3U}{\beta}ik\Delta t$

Table 4.4: Table of the lowest order term of the Taylor series for the elements of $\mathbf{E} - e^{i\omega_+ \Delta t} \mathbf{I}$ for the third-order FDVM with $-1 \leq Fr \leq 1$ and $\beta = 3 + k^2H^2$.

Scheme	Lowest Order Δx Term of Error	
	$Fr < -1$	$Fr > 1$
$E_{0,0} - e^{i\omega_+ \Delta t}$	$\frac{1}{12}k^4 U \Delta t \Delta x^3$	$-\frac{1}{12}k^4 U \Delta t \Delta x^3$
$E_{0,1}$	$\frac{1}{4\beta} iU k^5 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^3$	$-\frac{1}{4\beta} iU k^5 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^3$
$E_{1,0}$	$\frac{1}{12}gH k^4 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^3$	$-\frac{1}{12}gH k^4 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^3$
$E_{1,1} - e^{i\omega_+ \Delta t}$	$\frac{1}{12}k^4 U \Delta t \Delta x^3$	$-\frac{1}{12}k^4 U \Delta t \Delta x^3$

Table 4.5: Table of the lowest order term of the Taylor series for the elements of $\mathbf{E} - e^{i\omega_+ \Delta t} \mathbf{I}$ for the third-order FDVM which are different than those in Table 4.1 with $\beta = 3 + k^2 H^2$.

Element	Lowest Order Term of Error	
	Δx	Δt
$E_{0,0} - e^{i\omega_+ \Delta t}$	$-\frac{i(54 + 45H^2k^2 + 10H^4k^4)}{120\beta^2} U k^3 \Delta t \Delta x^2$	$\frac{\sqrt{3gH\beta} + 3U}{\beta} ik \Delta t$
$E_{0,1}$	$\frac{\beta - 3}{\beta^2} \frac{ik^3}{40} \Delta t \Delta x^2$	$-\frac{3}{\beta} ik \Delta t$
$E_{1,0}$	$-\left(gH - \frac{15U^2}{\beta} + \frac{9U^2}{\beta}\right) \frac{k^3}{120} \Delta t \Delta x^2$	$\left(-gH + \frac{3U^2}{\beta}\right) ik \Delta t$
$E_{1,1} - e^{i\omega_+ \Delta t}$	$\frac{126 + 75H^2k^2 + 10H^4k^4}{\beta^2} \frac{k^3}{120} iU \Delta t \Delta x^2$	$\frac{\sqrt{3gH\beta} - 3U}{\beta} ik \Delta t$

Table 4.6: Table of the lowest order term of the Taylor series for the elements of $\mathbf{E} - e^{i\omega_+ \Delta t} \mathbf{I}$ for the second-order FEVM with $-1 \leq Fr \leq 1$ and $\beta = 3 + k^2 H^2$.

Element	Lowest Order Term of Error	
	Δx	Δt
$E_{0,0} - e^{i\omega_+ \Delta t}$	$\frac{ik^3}{3} U \Delta t \Delta x^2$	$\sqrt{\frac{3gH}{\beta}} 2ik \Delta t$
$E_{0,1}$	$\frac{iHk^3}{3} \Delta t \Delta x^2$	$-2Hik \Delta t$
$E_{1,0}$	$\frac{ig(3+\beta)}{2\beta^2} k^3 \Delta t \Delta x^2$	$-\frac{6igk}{\beta} \Delta t$
$E_{1,1} - e^{i\omega_+ \Delta t}$	$\frac{ik^3}{3} U \Delta t \Delta x^2$	$\sqrt{\frac{3gH}{\beta}} 2ik \Delta t$

Table 4.7: Table of the lowest order term of the Taylor series for the elements of $\mathbf{E} - e^{i\omega \Delta t} \mathbf{I}$ for \mathcal{D} with $\beta = 3 + k^2 H^2$.

Element	Lowest Order Term of Error	
	Δx	Δt
$E_{0,0} - e^{i\omega_+ \Delta t}$	$\frac{ik^3}{6} U \Delta t \Delta x^2$	$\sqrt{\frac{3gH}{\beta}} ik \Delta t$
$E_{0,1}$	$\frac{iHk^3}{6} \Delta t \Delta x^2$	$-Hik \Delta t$
$E_{1,0}$	$\frac{ig(3+\beta)}{2\beta^2} k^3 \Delta t \Delta x^2$	$-\frac{6igk}{\beta} \Delta t$
$E_{1,1} - e^{i\omega_+ \Delta t}$	$\frac{ik^3}{3} U \Delta t \Delta x^2$	$\sqrt{\frac{3gH}{\beta}} 2ik \Delta t$

Table 4.8: Table of the lowest order term of the Taylor series for the elements of $\mathbf{E} - e^{i\omega_+ \Delta t} \mathbf{I}$ for \mathcal{W} with $\beta = 3 + k^2 H^2$.

Left multiplying (4.29) by \mathbf{P} we obtain

$$e^{i\omega\Delta t} \mathbf{P} \left[\frac{\bar{\eta}}{G} \right]_j^n = \Lambda \mathbf{P} \left[\frac{\bar{\eta}}{G} \right]_j^n. \quad (4.30)$$

Since Λ is a diagonal matrix we must have that $e^{i\omega_+\Delta t} = \lambda_+$ and $e^{i\omega_-\Delta t} = \lambda_-$ where λ_\pm are the eigenvalues of \mathbf{E} and ω_\pm are the positive and negative branches of the dispersion relation. Therefore the dispersion relation of a numerical method is

$$\tilde{\omega}_\pm = \frac{1}{i\Delta t} \log [\lambda_\pm]. \quad (4.31)$$

By comparing $\tilde{\omega}_\pm$ with the analytic ω_\pm given by the linearised Serre equations (2.11) we can determine the error in the dispersion relation for the numerical method. The real part of $\tilde{\omega}_\pm$ determines the speed of a wave, while the imaginary part determines the change in amplitude. For ω_\pm the imaginary part is zero and so the amplitude of waves of the linearised Serre equations are constant in time. We only present the results for the positive branch of the dispersion relation as the results for the negative and positive branches are very similar.

The relative error in the dispersion relation was plotted against $\Delta x/\lambda$ for representative values of H , U and k . We used $g = 9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$ and chose $\Delta t = 0.5 / (U + \sqrt{gH}) \Delta x$ to satisfy the CFL condition (3.31).

In Figures 4.2 and 4.3 we present the plots for $kH = \pi/10$ so that the water is shallow as $\sigma = 1/20$ and therefore, the Serre equations are appropriate. We present the real and imaginary errors separately as they account for different physical phenomenon and also present the total relative error as a measure of the overall difference of behaviour between waves in the numerical method and the waves of the linearised Serre equations.

From Figures 4.2 and 4.3 we can see that all methods approximate the dispersion relation of the Serre equations well with the approximation improving as $\Delta x \rightarrow 0$, as expected.

For the real part of the dispersion error the FEVM and the FDVM outperform the two finite difference methods and therefore will better approximate the speed of waves of the linearised Serre equations. However, for the dilation of waves the roles are reversed with the two finite difference methods either dilating the waves very little (\mathcal{W} for $U > 0$) or not at all. When taking both effects into account with the complete error we see that the first-order FDVM has the largest dispersion error followed by \mathcal{W} , \mathcal{D} , the second-order FEVM, the second-order FDVM and finally the third-order FDVM has the lowest dispersion error. So that the size of

the total dispersion error is mainly determined by the order of accuracy of the numerical scheme. These results justify choosing the hybrid methods over these finite difference methods for the Serre equations.

Figures 4.2 and 4.3 furthermore demonstrate that the second-order FDVM is superior to the FEVM not just for the complete dispersion error, but its real and imaginary parts individually as well. Therefore, the second-order FDVM will do a better job in accurately modelling the speed and amplitude of waves than the second-order FEVM. Interestingly, for the two finite difference methods and the first-order FDVM there seems to be some trade-off between predicting the speed or amplitude of the waves very well.

We observed similar results across a wide array of k , H and U values. However, as kH is increased the distinction between the second-order FDVM and the second-order FEVM becomes less pronounced. This can be seen in Figure 4.4 where $kH = 2.5$ and $\sigma = 5/4\pi > 1/20$ so that the water is no longer shallow.

These kH values are the same as those by Filippini et al. [27], and our results are similar for the real part of the dispersion error. Our FDVM and the FEVM compare favourably with the methods described and analysed by Filippini et al. [27]. Furthermore, we extended their work by allowing for non-zero values of U , combining the spatial and temporal approximations and examining the imaginary and complete error in the dispersion relation.

Figure 4.5 demonstrates that the results of the real part of the dispersion error is slightly different if we allow for non-zero values of U . In particular the non-zero value of U changes the real part of the dispersion error for the first-order FDVM, most significantly when $kH = 2.5$. Therefore, for some methods allowing for non-zero values of U can have a significant impact on the conclusions drawn from the dispersion analysis. Furthermore, taking the imaginary part of the dispersion error into account is important as ω determines not only the speed of waves but also their amplitude. In particular it is possible that a method like the first-order FDVM performs very well for the real part of the dispersion error and poorly for the imaginary part, leading to false conclusions about the accuracy of the method.

The Taylor series expansion of $\tilde{\omega}$ was also derived for all the numerical methods. We have compiled the lowest order terms of the Taylor series for $\tilde{\omega}_+ - \omega_+$ in Table 4.9 when $-1 \leq Fr \leq 1$ for the FDVM and FEVM. In Table 4.9 it is clear that these schemes estimated ω with the expected order of accuracy in both space and time.

We also present the lowest order terms of the Taylor series for $\tilde{\omega}_+ - \omega_+$

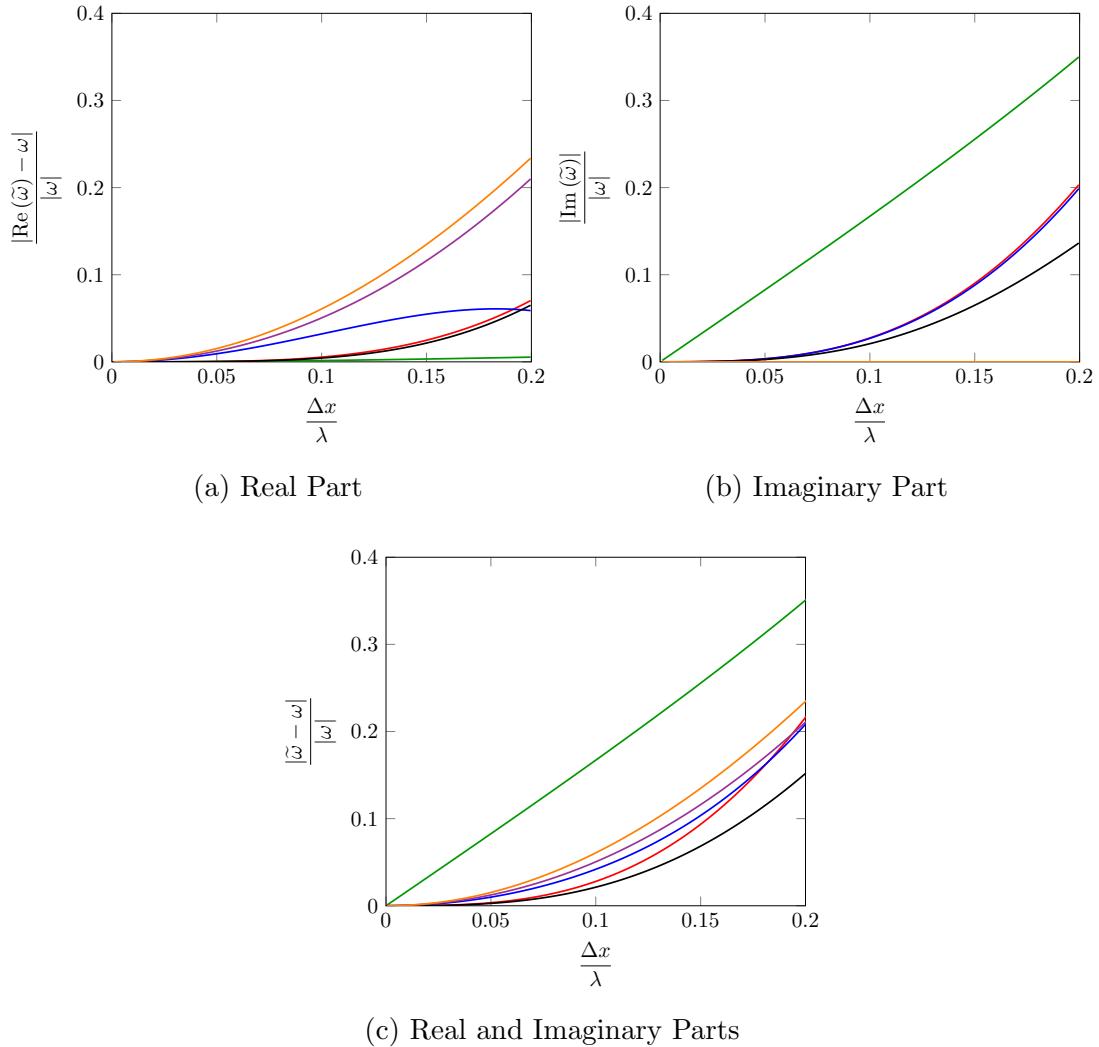


Figure 4.2: Relative dispersion error for first-order FDVM (—), second-order FDVM (—), second-order FEVM (—), third-order FDVM (—), \mathcal{D} (—) and \mathcal{W} (—). With $H = 1m$, $k = \frac{\pi}{10}$ and $U = 0m/s$.

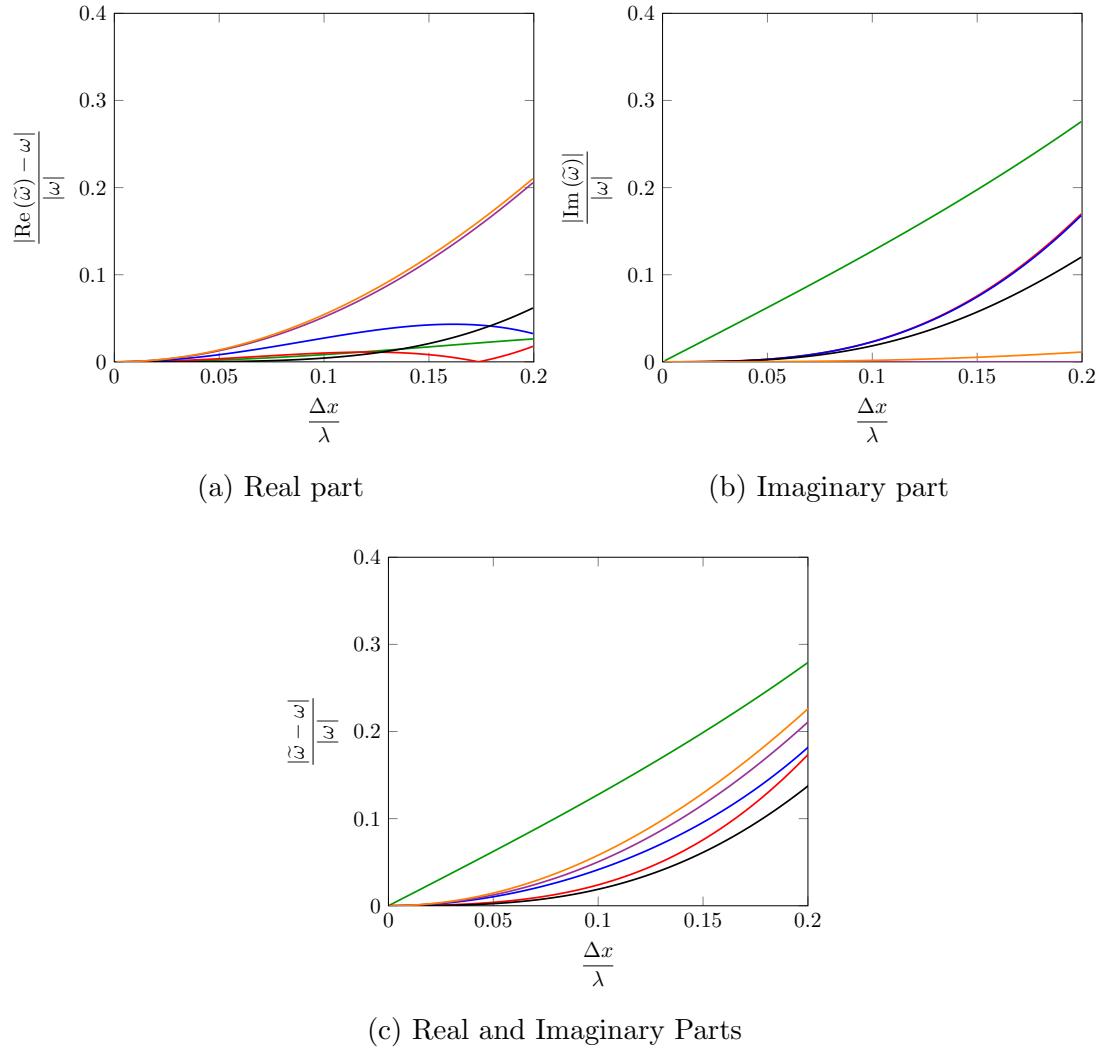


Figure 4.3: Relative dispersion error for first-order FDVM (—), second-order FDVM (—), second-order FEVM (—), third-order FDVM (—), \mathcal{D} (—) and \mathcal{W} (—). With $H = 1m$, $k = \frac{\pi}{10}$ and $U = 1m/s$.

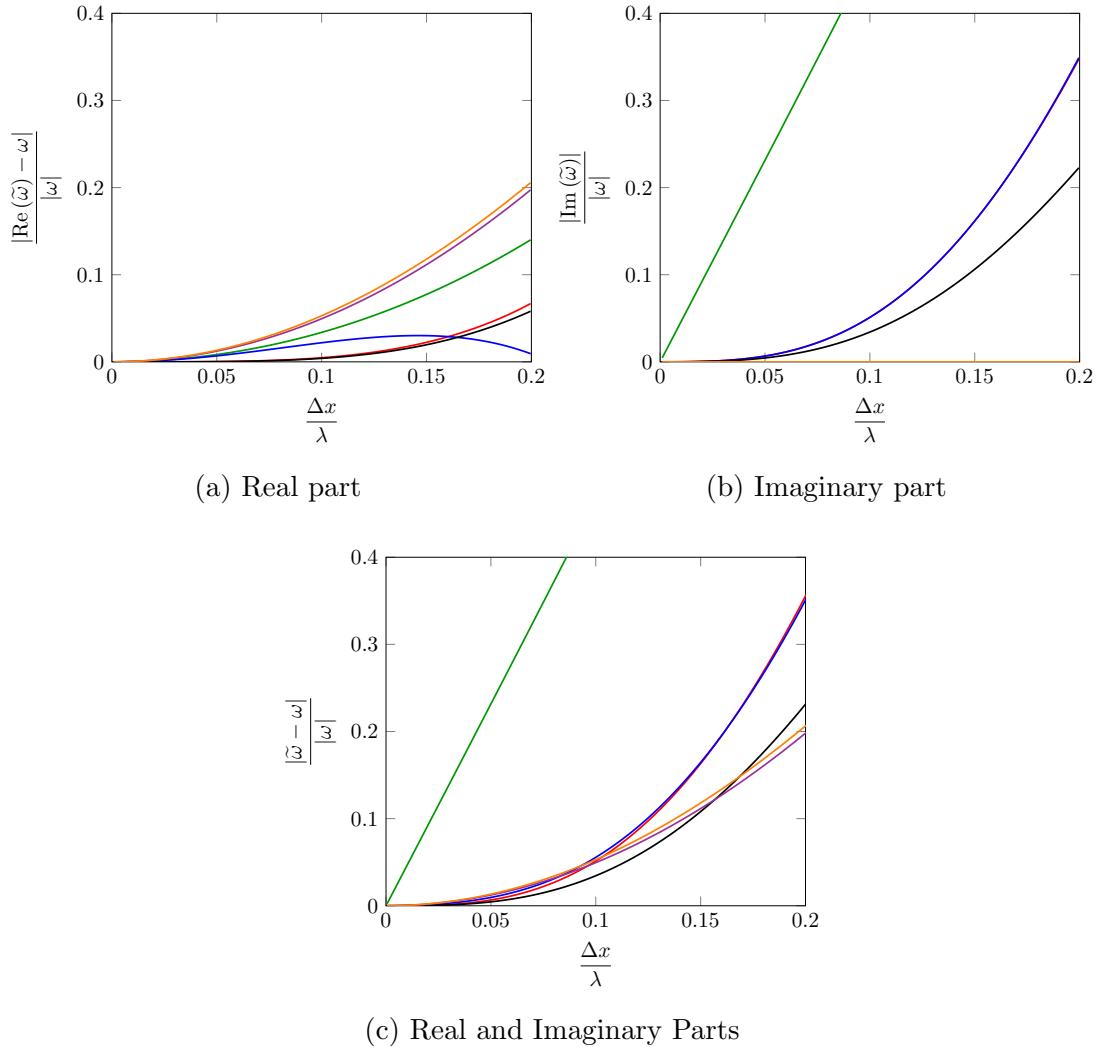


Figure 4.4: Relative dispersion error for first-order FDVM (—), second-order FDVM (—), second-order FEVM (—), third-order FDVM (—), \mathcal{D} (—) and \mathcal{W} (—). With $H = 1m$, $k = 2.5$ and $U = 0m/s$.

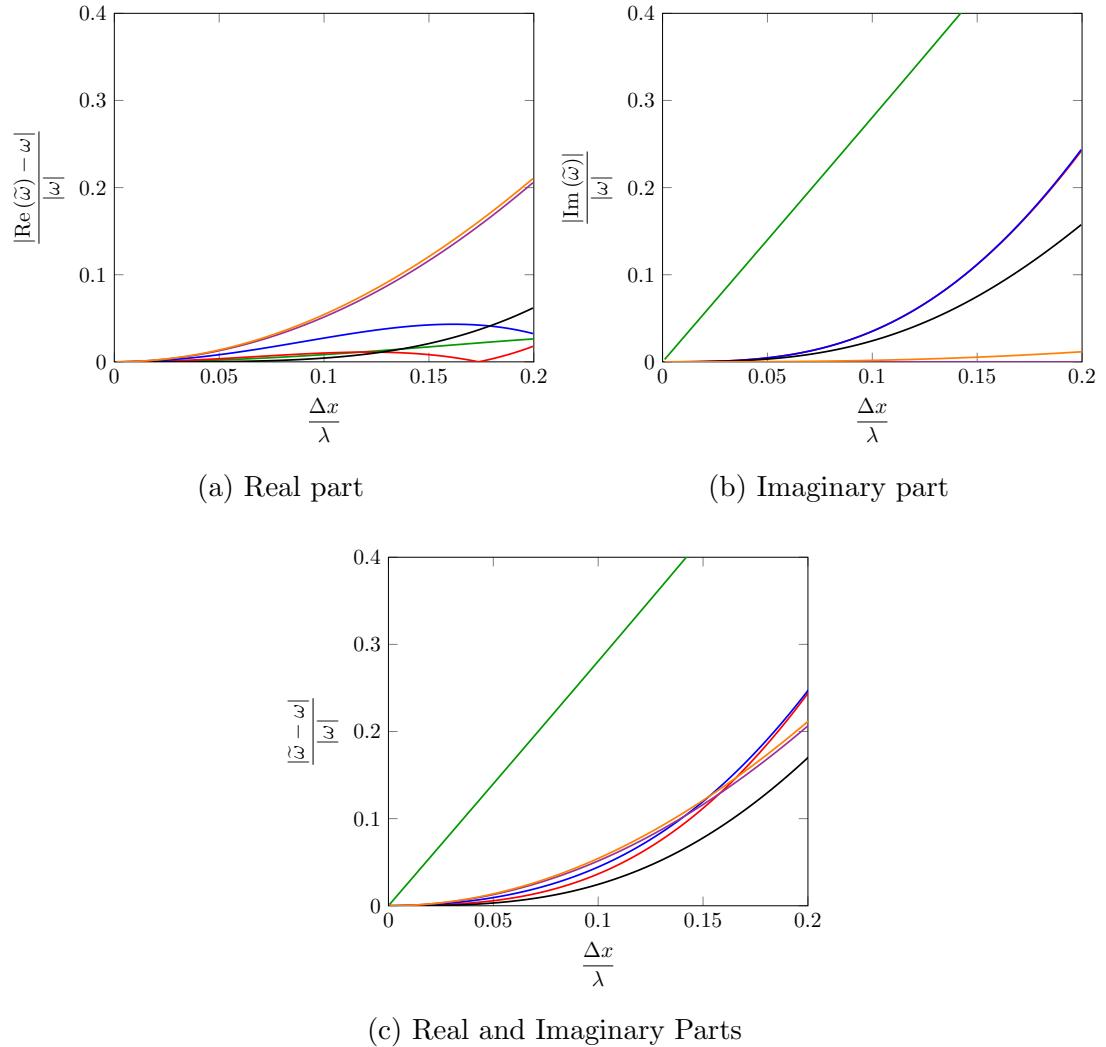


Figure 4.5: Relative dispersion error for first-order FDVM (—), second-order FDVM (—), second-order FEVM (—), third-order FDVM (—), \mathcal{D} (—) and \mathcal{W} (—). With $H = 1m$, $k = 2.5$ and $U = 1m/s$.

Scheme	Lowest Order Term of Error	
	Δx	Δt
FDVM ₁	$-\left(2\sqrt{gH} - \sqrt{\frac{3U}{\beta}}\right) \frac{ik^2}{4} \Delta x$	$\frac{i\omega_+^2}{2} \Delta t$
FDVM ₂	$\frac{2\beta U - 3\sqrt{3gH\beta}}{\beta^2} \frac{k^3}{24} \Delta x^2$	$-\frac{\omega_+^3}{6} \Delta t^2$
FEVM ₂	$\left(U + \frac{(42 + 15k^2H^2)\sqrt{3gH\beta}}{20\beta^2}\right) \frac{k^3}{12} \Delta x^2$	$-\frac{\omega_+^3}{6} \Delta t^2$
FDVM ₃	$-(2\sqrt{gH} - \sqrt{3\beta}U) \frac{ik^4}{24} \Delta x^3$	$-\frac{i\omega_+^4}{24} \Delta t^3$

Table 4.9: Table showing lowest order error term for approximating ω_+ for all FDVM and the FEVM. With $-1 \leq Fr \leq 1$ and $\beta = 3 + H^2k^2$.

for both $Fr < -1$ and $Fr > 1$ in Table 4.10. We only present the errors that are different from those reported in Table 4.9, this was only the case for the spatial error of the odd-order numerical methods. We can see that for all the flow scenarios that our FDVM and the FEVM have the correct order of accuracy when approximating ω_+ .

Finally we present the lowest order terms of the Taylor series for $\tilde{\omega}_+ - \omega_+$ for the finite difference methods in Table 4.11. These methods do not change depending on the value of the physical quantities. The two finite difference methods both have the correct order of accuracy in space and time.

Because all methods were demonstrated to have the expected order of accuracy in approximating ω_+ this implies that for small Δx values the order of accuracy will be the primary driver of the dispersion error.

Scheme	Lowest Order Δx Term of Error	
	$Fr < -1$	$Fr > 1$
FDVM ₁	$- \left(2U + \sqrt{\frac{3gH}{\beta}} \right) \frac{ik^2}{4} \Delta x$	$\left(2U + \sqrt{\frac{3gH}{\beta}} \right) \frac{ik^2}{4} \Delta x$
FDVM ₃	$- \left(2U + \sqrt{\frac{3gH}{\beta}} \right) \frac{ik^4}{24} \Delta x^3$	$\left(2U + \sqrt{\frac{3gH}{\beta}} \right) \frac{ik^4}{24} \Delta x^3$

Table 4.10: Table showing the lowest order spatial error term for approximating ω_+ for all FDVM and the FEVM for supercritical Froude numbers where different from Table 4.9. With $\beta = 3 + H^2 k^2$.

Scheme	Lowest Order Term of Error	
	Δx	Δt
\mathcal{D}	$- \left(U + \frac{(4 + H^2 k^2) \sqrt{3gH\beta}}{4\beta^2} \right) \frac{k^3}{3} \Delta x^2$	$- \frac{\omega_+^3}{3} \Delta t^2$
\mathcal{W}	$\left(U + \frac{(4 + H^2 k^2) \sqrt{3gH\beta}}{4\beta^2} \right) \frac{k^3}{3} \Delta x^2$	$\left(\beta U^2 [9\sqrt{3gH\beta} + 4\beta U] + 3gH^2 [\sqrt{3gH\beta} + 6\beta U] \right) \frac{k^3}{18\beta^2} \Delta t^2$

Table 4.11: Table showing lowest order error term for approximating ω_+ for \mathcal{D} and \mathcal{W} .

Chapter 5

Numerical Validation

5.1 Measuring Convergence and Conservation

The numerical methods are assessed in this chapter by investigating their convergence and conservation properties. The convergence of these numerical methods is studied using analytic solutions to the governing equations and forced solutions to the forced Serre equations. While conservation is investigated by comparing the total of a conserved quantity in a numerical solution and comparing with the total of that quantity present in the initial conditions. We introduce notation for these measures and describe their calculation here, beginning with convergence.

5.1.1 Measures of Convergence

By measuring the relative difference between the numerical and analytic solutions as Δx varies, the convergence of the numerical methods can be investigated. To measure the relative difference we use the L_1 vector norm; to compare the numerical and analytic solutions at the numerical grid locations x_j at the end of the simulations. For a quantity q , the vector of its values \mathbf{q} at the grid locations x_j and the corresponding numerical solution at those locations \mathbf{q}^* ; the L_1 norm is

$$L_1(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{q}^*) = \begin{cases} \frac{\|\mathbf{q}^* - \mathbf{q}\|_1}{\|\mathbf{q}\|_1} & \|\mathbf{q}\|_1 > 0 \\ \|\mathbf{q}^*\|_1 & \|\mathbf{q}\|_1 = 0 \end{cases}. \quad (5.1)$$

When no analytic solution is present, we can compare the distance between numerical solutions to gain some insight into how a sequence of numerical solutions are behaving. This allows us to demonstrate that a sequence of numerical

solutions is convergent to some solution. To do this the L_1 vector norm is again used as in (5.1) except now both vectors are numerical solutions. Since both numerical solutions will have different grid locations, we only take the difference between the two at the common grid points. We have constructed our grids to accommodate for this, varying Δx by successively dividing by 2. This ensures that the grid locations generated by the larger Δx value are all in the grid generated by the smaller Δx value, and so we can compare both numerical solutions at the grid points generated by the larger Δx value.

5.1.2 Measures of Conservation

The conservation properties of the methods are established by calculating the total of a conserved quantity in the numerical solution $\mathcal{C}^*(\mathbf{q}^*)$ at the end of the simulation and comparing it to the total of that quantity for the initial conditions $\mathcal{C}(q(x, 0))$, derived analytically. We do this again using the relative measure;

$$C_1(q, \mathbf{q}^*) = \begin{cases} \frac{|\mathcal{C}^*(\mathbf{q}^*) - \mathcal{C}(q(x, 0))|}{|\mathcal{C}(q(x, 0))|} & |\mathcal{C}(q(x, 0))| > 0 \\ |\mathcal{C}^*(\mathbf{q}^*)| & |\mathcal{C}(q(x, 0))| = 0 \end{cases}. \quad (5.2)$$

$\mathcal{C}^*(\mathbf{q}^*)$ was calculated using 3 point Gaussian quadrature over the j^{th} cell and summing these cell integrals for all j . The three points needed to perform the Gaussian quadrature were calculated by interpolating the j^{th} cell using a quartic that fits the nodal values $q_{j-2}, q_{j-1}, q_j, q_{j+1}$ and q_{j+2} . The Gaussian quadrature using three points is 5^{th} order accurate and interpolation by quartics is 5^{th} order accurate for the quantity q and 4^{th} order accurate for its spatial derivative $\partial q / \partial x$. Since all methods are third-order accurate or less, the error introduced by the calculation of $\mathcal{C}^*(\mathbf{q}^*)$ for the mass, momentum, G and \mathcal{H} will be dominated by the error introduced by the numerical solvers.

In some cases $\mathcal{C}(q(x, 0))$ may be difficult to derive analytically. In this case we compare $\mathcal{C}^*(\mathbf{q}^*)$ with $\mathcal{C}^*(\mathbf{q}^0)$; where \mathbf{q}^0 is the vector of the quantity at the grid locations used as the initial conditions of our numerical method. Comparing these we get

$$C_1^*(\mathbf{q}^0, \mathbf{q}^*) = \begin{cases} \frac{|\mathcal{C}^*(\mathbf{q}^*) - \mathcal{C}^*(\mathbf{q}^0)|}{|\mathcal{C}^*(\mathbf{q}^0)|} & |\mathcal{C}^*(\mathbf{q}^0)| > 0 \\ |\mathcal{C}^*(\mathbf{q}^*)| & |\mathcal{C}^*(\mathbf{q}^0)| = 0 \end{cases}. \quad (5.3)$$

5.2 Analytic Solution for Horizontal Bed

To assess the ability of our numerical methods to solve the Serre equations with a horizontal bed (2.6) we use the solitary travelling wave solution (2.14) described in Chapter 2. This is a particular member of the family of periodic travelling wave solutions [13], but all these solutions except the trivial one provide a similar test for the numerical methods and so it is sufficient to only use the the solitary travelling wave solution.

For the solitary wave analytic solution all the terms in (2.6) must be adequately approximated by the numerical method to properly reproduce the analytic solution. Therefore this analytic solution serves as a very good benchmark for the ability of the numerical methods to accurately solve the Serre equations with a horizontal bed for smooth solutions.

For our numerical tests we used the solitary travelling wave solution we used (2.14) with $a_0 = 1m$, $a_0 = 0.7m$ and $g = 9.81m/s^2$ at $t = 0s$ as initial conditions in our numerical methods. The spatial domain was $[-250m, 250m]$ and the problem was solved until $t = 50s$. This was done for a range of Δx values that had the following form; $\Delta x = 100/2^k m$ with $k \in [6, 7, \dots, 19]$. We satisfied the CFL condition with a CFL number of $Cr = 0.5$ by setting $\Delta t = Cr/\sqrt{g(a_0 + a_1)}$. For FDVM₂ and FEVM₂ we used $\theta = 1.2$ as the limiting parameter in the generalised minmod limiter (3.5).

The parameters $a_0 = 1m$ and $a_0 = 0.7m$ so that the non-linearity parameter $\epsilon = a_1/a_0 = 0.7$ was large but beneath the breaking threshold for water waves []. Because ϵ is large the nonlinear effects are large and therefore so are the dispersive effects making this analytic solution a rigorous test of the numerical methods. For this spatial domain and a final time $t = 50s$ there is no interaction of the wave and the boundary, therefore Dirichlet boundary conditions are appropriate.

5.2.1 Results for Solitary Travelling Wave Solution

An example numerical solution with $\Delta x = 100/2^{11}m$ from all methods was plotted in Figure 5.1 against the analytic solution at $t = 50s$. We have only plotted an illustrative amount of the points in the numerical solution. From these plots it is clear that FDVM₁ performs significantly worse than the higher-order methods at reproducing the analytic solution, even for relatively fine grids where the wave is captured by more than 200 cells. This is primarily due to the numerical diffusion introduced by the method, which has caused the wave in the numerical

solution to decrease in amplitude and widen significantly. The higher-order numerical methods all accurately replicate the analytic solution, with insignificant differences in these plots due to the high resolution of the grid.

The L_1 norm was calculated for h , u and G for all numerical solutions and was plotted against Δx for all numerical methods in Figure 5.2. From these plots it is clear that all numerical methods are convergent. The rate at which the numerical solutions converge to the analytic solution over Δx is determined by the order of accuracy of the numerical scheme. All methods demonstrate the expected order of accuracy from the order of accuracy of the approximations used and their order of accuracy determined by linear analysis in Chapter 4.

All methods more accurately reproduced the analytic solution for h than either G or u across all Δx values. This is due to the simplicity of the continuity equation (2.5a) compared to the irrotationality equation (2.5b) and the error in u being dominated by the error in G .

Increasing the order of accuracy of our numerical methods leads to smaller errors when comparing two methods for the same Δx value, as Figure 5.2 clearly demonstrates. This is consistent with the example numerical solution in Figure 5.1, where the lowest order accuracy scheme, FDVM₁ had the poorest reproduction of the analytic solution. However, even though the third-order accurate FDVM₃ is an improvement over its second-order counterparts, this improvement is less pronounced than the improvement between first and second-order methods.

For the second-order methods we find that FDVM₂ consistently produces the smallest L_1 error followed by FEVM₂, \mathcal{W} and \mathcal{D} . The difference between the FDVM₂ and FEVM₂ is significant with errors of FEVM₂ being 2 to 4 times larger than FDVM₂. Both finite difference methods produce very similar errors which are about twice as large as the errors from FEVM₂.

5.3 Analytic Solution for Variable Bathymetry

To verify the validity of our numerical methods for the Serre equations with variable bathymetry (2.2) and assess the well balancing method employed we use the lake at rest analytic solution (2.15).

The lake at rest solution (2.15) associated with the bed profile

$$b(x) = a_1 \sin(a_2 x) \quad (5.4)$$

was chosen to ensure that all terms with derivatives of the bed were tested. In particular the chosen parameters for our initial conditions of the numerical

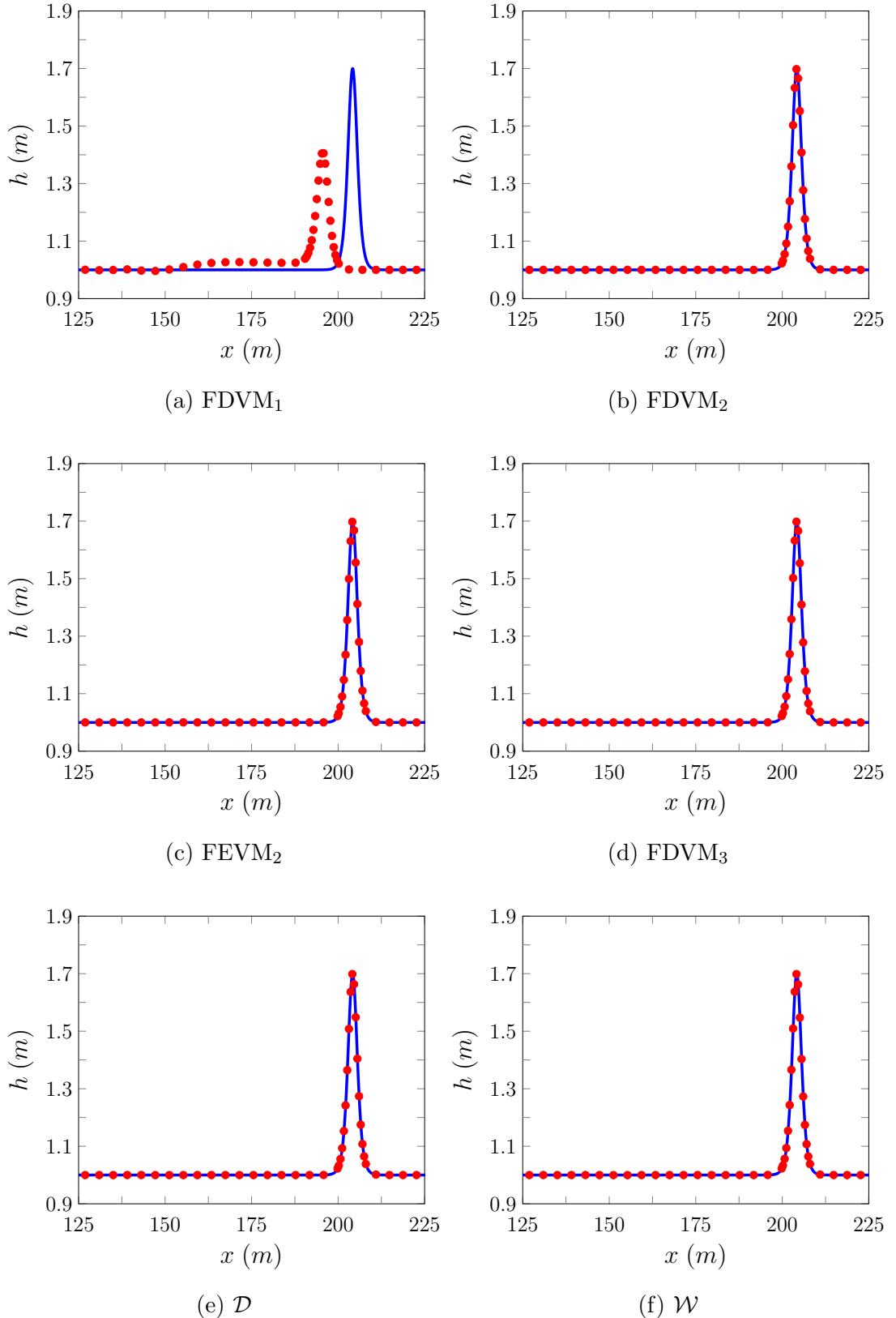


Figure 5.1: Comparison of the analytic solution (—) and numerical solution with $\Delta x = 100/2^{11}m$ (●) for the soliton problem at $t = 50s$ for all methods.

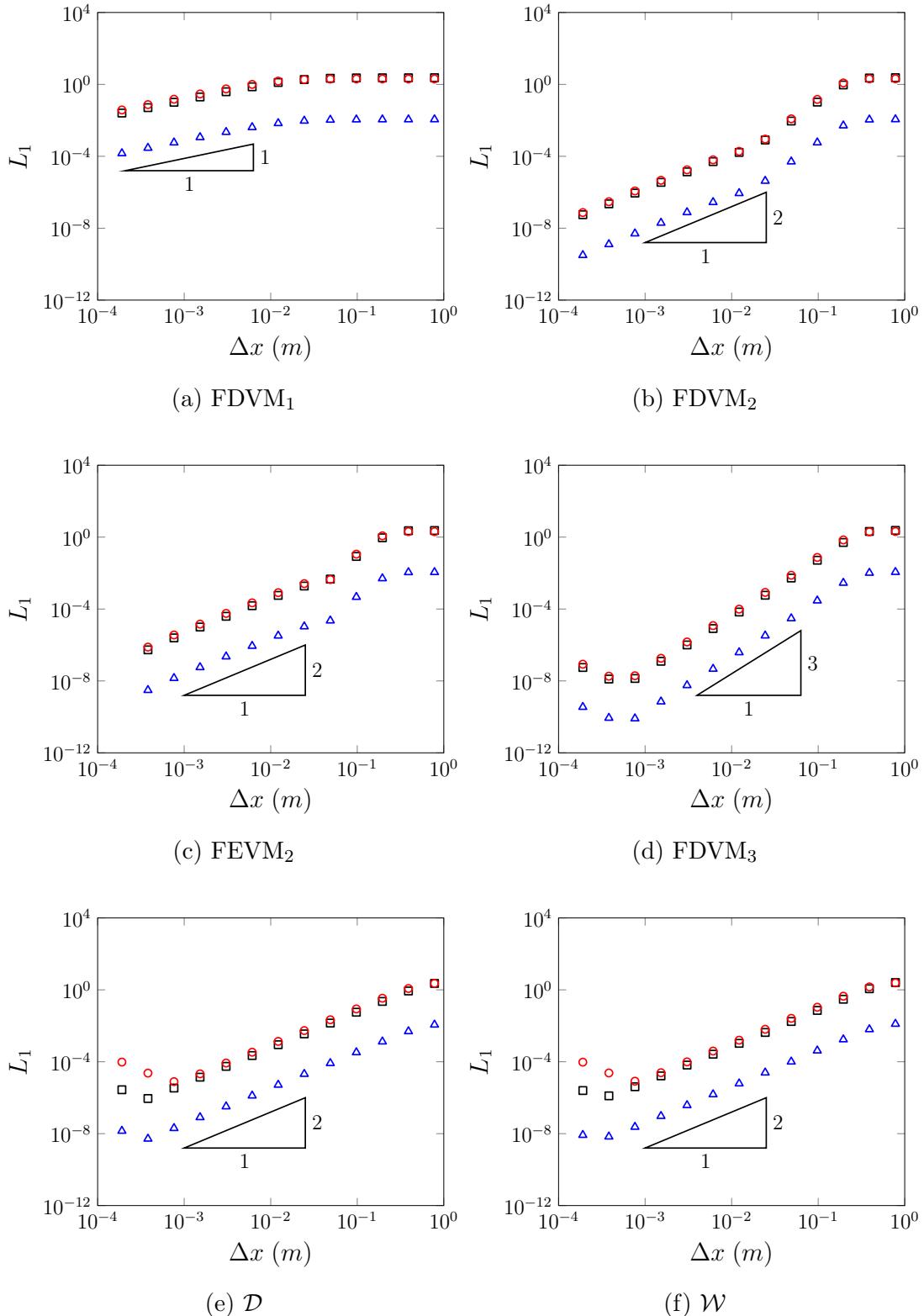


Figure 5.2: Convergence plots as measured by the L_1 norm for h (Δ), u (\square) and G (\diamond) for the soliton problem for all methods.

method were $a_0 = 0m$, $a_1 = 1m$ and $a_2 = 2\pi/50$. This ensured that our lake at rest solution contained both wet and dry elements to demonstrate that the inclusion of both did not cause problems for the numerical method.

For the numerical solutions the spatial domain was $x \in [-112.5m, 87.5m]$ and the final time was $t = 10s$, with the standard gravitational acceleration $g = 9.81m/s^2$. The spatial resolution of the method was varied like so $\Delta x = 100/2^k m$ with $k \in [4, 17]$ and the CFL condition (3.31) was satisfied by having $\Delta t = Cr/\sqrt{g}$ with condition number $Cr = 0.5$. While the standard limiting parameter $\theta = 1.2$ was used for both the FEVM₂ and FDVM₂ in the generalised minmod limiter (3.5). Dirichlet boundary conditions were used at both ends as the analytic solution is stationary.

To assess the capability of the technique employed to achieve well balancing we compare two versions of the numerical methods FEVM₂ and FDVM₂; one with the well balancing and one without it. These are the only methods developed in this thesis that include variable bathymetry, allow dry beds and are well balanced and so these are the only numerical methods studied here.

5.3.1 Results for Lake at Rest

Example numerical solutions with $\Delta x = 100/2^{10}$ at $t = 10s$ for all versions of FEVM₂ and FDVM₂ are given in Figure 5.3. The analytic solution and the numerical solution in these figures are indistinguishable at this scale, suggesting that both methods have recovered the analytic lake at rest solution.

Closer examination of the L_1 errors depicted in Figure 5.4 reveals a completely different picture for the two versions of each method. For both well balanced versions the errors in h are consistently at round off level, while for both G and u the L_1 errors begin at round-off level and increases as Δx decreases. The errors in G and u increase away from round-off due to accumulation of round of errors as the number of cells and time steps increases; thus creating an increase that is second-order. This accumulation of errors in u and G is a result of the finite difference methods employed in the source term approximation.

Without well balancing the FEVM₂ and FDVM₂ lose second-order accuracy of L_1 error in u and G as the bed terms are not properly cancelled for the lake at rest stationary solution. The L_1 error in h maintains the expected second-order convergence as the errors in u and G in this range of Δx are too small to significantly contribute to the L_1 error of h yet.

These results demonstrate the need for the well-balancing to be included in

both numerical methods, as it is only with their inclusion that the lake at rest steady state can be accurately reproduced.

5.4 Forced Solutions

There are currently no known analytic solutions for the Serre equations that possess varying bathymetry and non-zero velocities. Therefore, the previous analytic solution comparisons do not provide a stringent test of all terms present in the Serre equations. To remedy this we use forced solutions which were introduced in Chapter 2. Since the source terms in the modified Serre equations (2.16) can be determined and accounted for analytically, the only source of error in such numerical solutions are the numerical methods themselves and thus we should recover the theoretical second-order accuracy for FEVM₂ and FDVM₂.

We performed validation tests for two forced solutions; one with a finite water depth everywhere and the other with a dry bed to validate both situations and to facilitate a comparison of the behaviour of our numerical solutions for both situations. To ensure that all terms of the Serre equations were accurately approximated in the numerical method the functions

$$h^*(x, t) = a_0 + a_1 \exp\left(-\frac{[(x - a_2 t) - a_3]^2}{2a_4}\right), \quad (5.5a)$$

$$u^*(x, t) = a_5 \exp\left(-\frac{[(x - a_2 t) - a_3]^2}{2a_4}\right), \quad (5.5b)$$

$$b^*(x) = a_6 \sin(a_7 x) \quad (5.5c)$$

for the primitive variables were chosen, as for nontrivial choices of the parameters a_i all terms in the Serre equations vary in space and time.

Both validation studies used $a_1 = 0.5$, $a_2 = 2\pi/(10a_7)$, $a_3 = -3\pi/(2a_7)$, $a_4 = \pi/16a_7$, $a_5 = 0.5$, $a_6 = 1.0$ and $a_7 = \pi/25$ with $a_0 = 1$ for the finite water depth forced solution and $a_0 = 0$ for the dry bed forced solution.

5.4.1 Results for Finite Water Depth

For the finite water depth case $a_0 = 1m$ was chosen in equation (5.5a). An example of the various quantities of the numerical solutions of FEVM₂ and FDVM₂ for these forced solutions are given in Figures 5.5 and 5.6 for $\Delta x = []$.

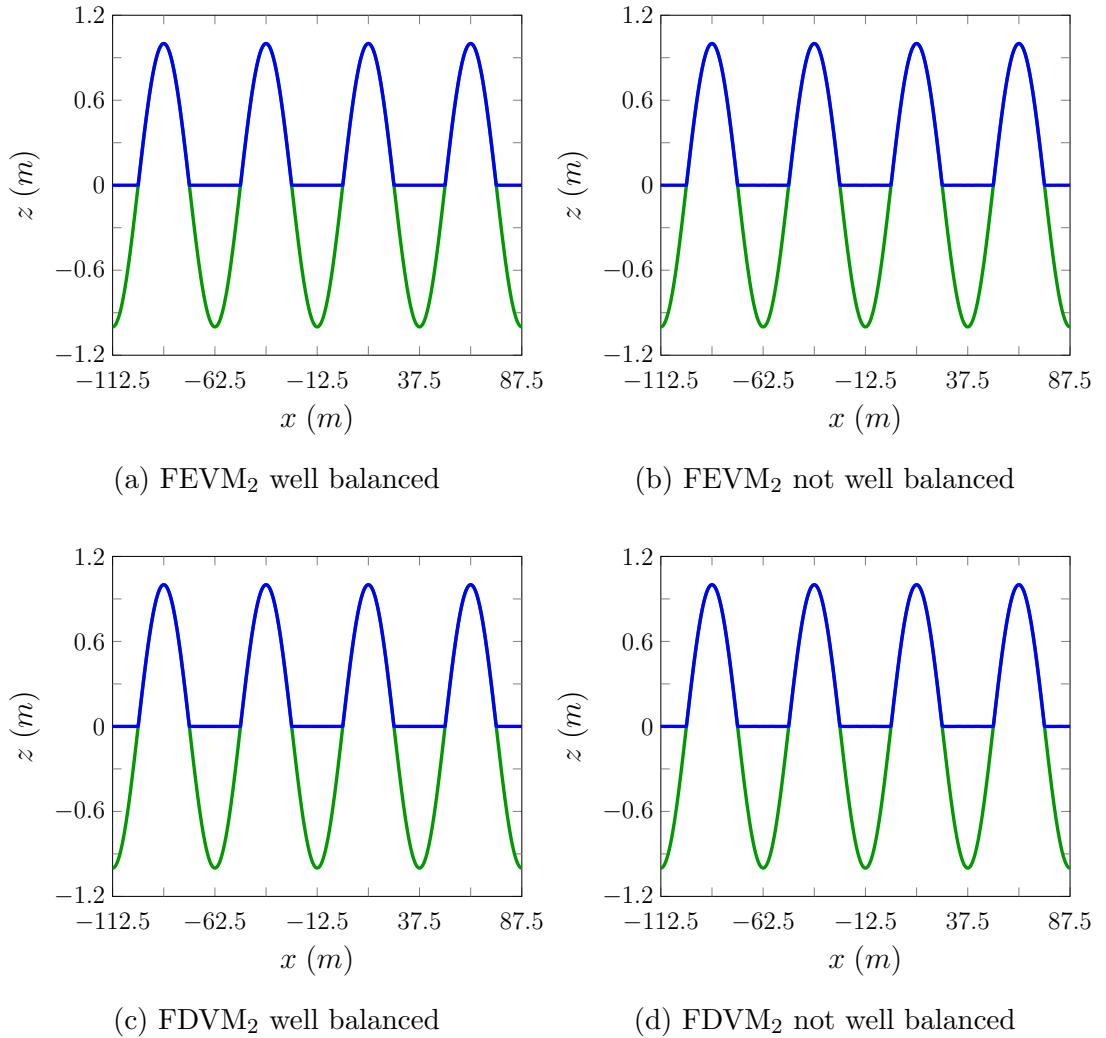


Figure 5.3: Comparison of the analytic solution (—) and numerical solution with $\Delta x = 100/2^{10} \text{ m}$ (—) for the lake at rest problem at $t = 10\text{s}$ for all methods.

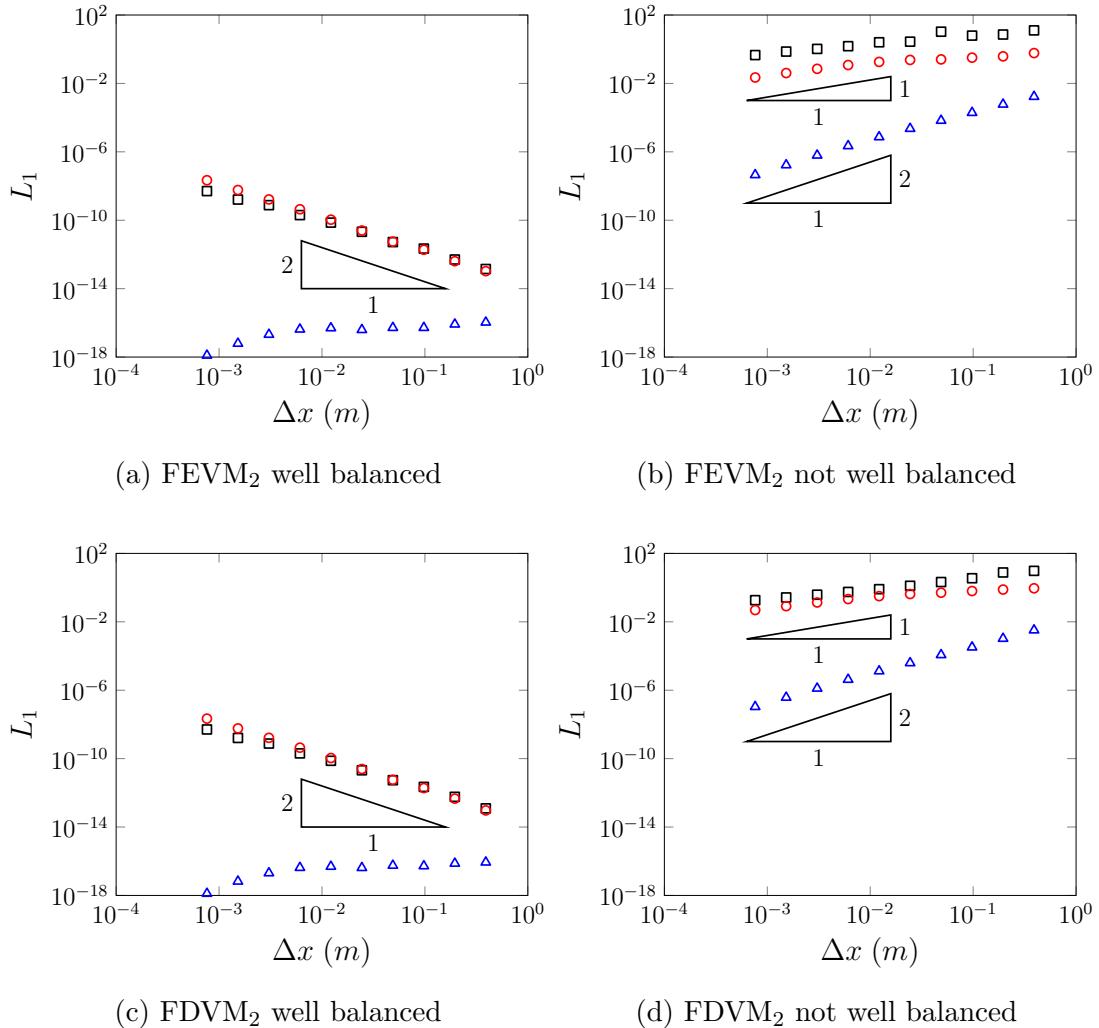


Figure 5.4: Convergence plots as measured by the L_1 norm for h (Δ), u (\square) and G (\diamond) for the lake at rest problem at $t = 10s$ for all methods.

The numerical solutions of FEVM₂ and FDVM₂ with $\Delta x = []$ and the forced solutions are identical for at these scales, reproducing the forced solution as it travels from peak to peak.

The L_1 error of h , u , uh and G for the FEVM₂ and FDVM₂ are given in Figure 5.7. Both methods demonstrate the expected second-order accuracy. Since the source term of the modified Serre equations is added analytically and all terms must be accurately approximated by the methods for this forced solution, these results demonstrate that our scheme is completely second-order accurate for completely wet beds.

5.4.2 Results with Dry Beds

To demonstrate the capability of the methods to handle the wetting and drying of beds, we conducted a series of numerical simulations with (5.5a) where $a_0 = 0m$ for FEVM₂ and FDVM₂.

An example numerical simulation demonstrating the evolution fo the wave is given in Figures 5.8 and 5.9 for FEVM₂ and FDVM₂ with $\Delta x = []$. The methods both do very well at accurately reproducing the analytic solution for the stage w , h and G . However, both fail to accurately reproduce u as $h \rightarrow 0$, particularly behind the wave.

The L_1 errors for both methods are given over the whole domain in Figure 5.10. Both methods are still displaying second-order convergence in all the quantities except u , as the large u errors are only present for small h and so are not captured by either G or uh for which u is only ever multiplied by h , hiding the errors in u . Indeed if we restrict the domain to $[]$ where h is $[]$ then we get that the convergence in u is second-order as can be seen for both methods in Figure 5.11.

Since the evolution of h and G only requires u when it is multiplied by h , our result is a method that is second-order accurate for the conserved quantities even in the presence of dry beds.

Therefore this method can accurately handle the dry bed problem, although in such cases just studying the velocity will be misleading.

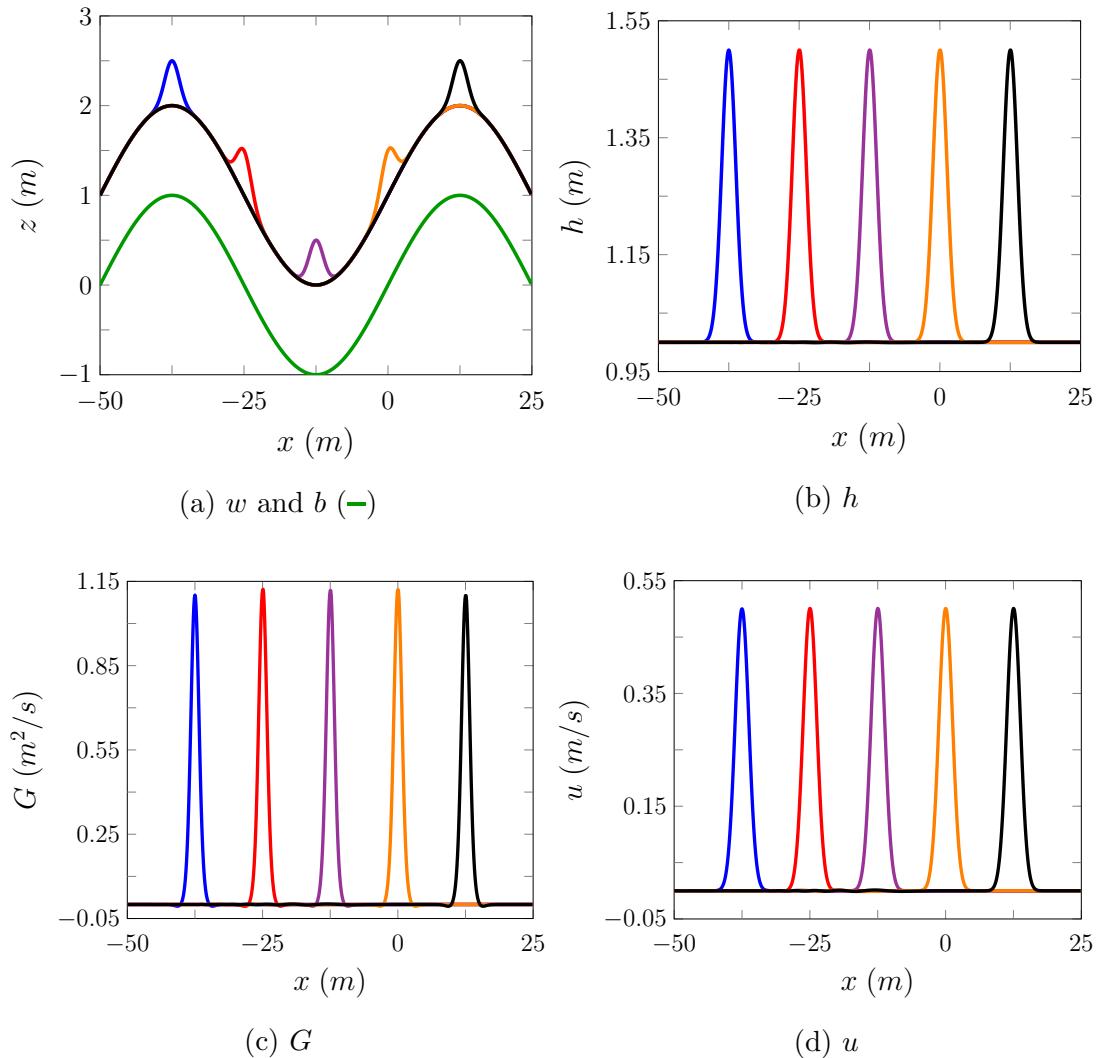


Figure 5.5: Plots of various quantities for the FEVM numerical solution at 0s (---), 2.5s (---), 5.0s (---), 7.5s (---), 10.0s (---) of the forced Serre equations.

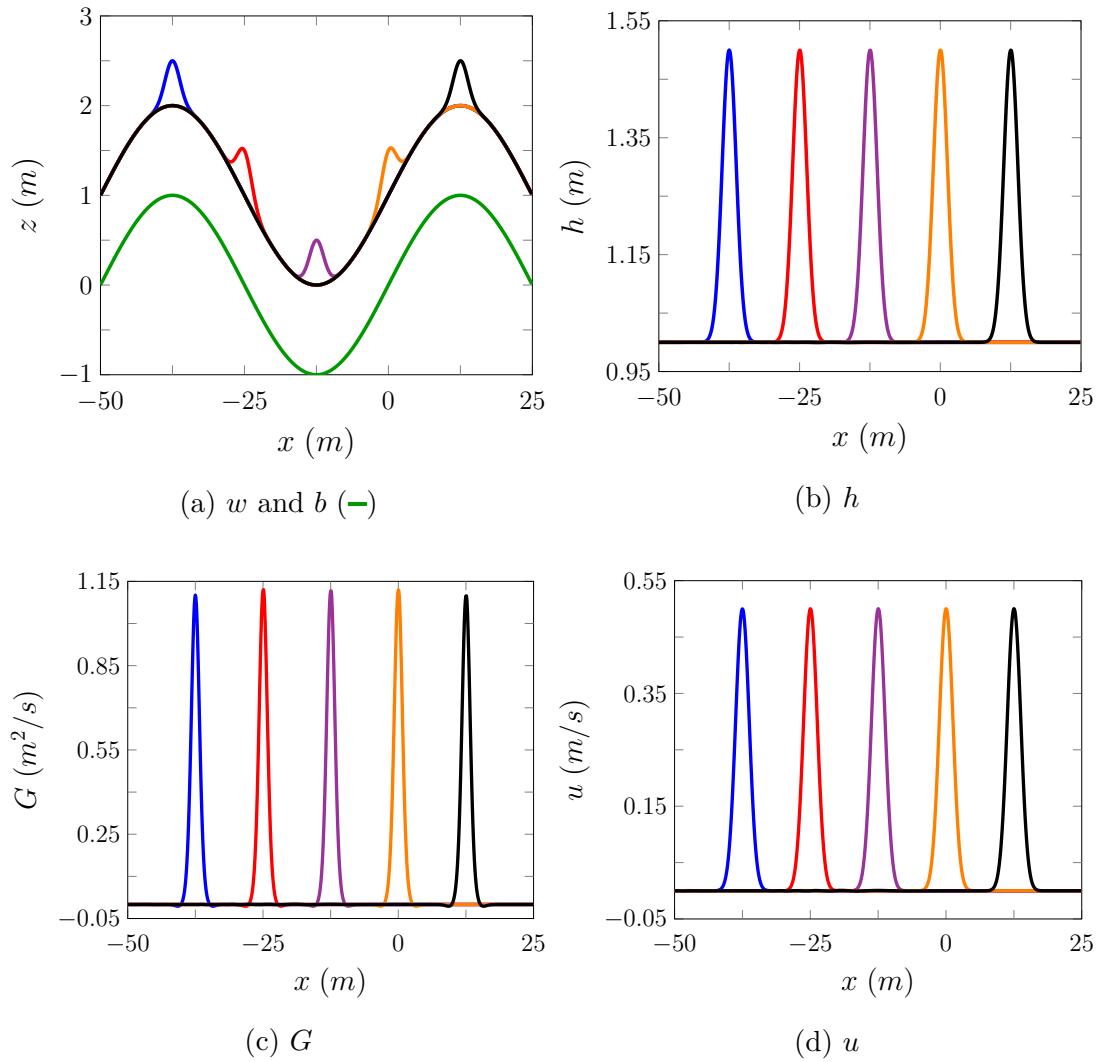


Figure 5.6: Plots of various quantities for the FDVM numerical solution at 0s (---), 2.5s (---), 5.0s (---), 7.5s (---), 10.0s (---) of the forced Serre equations.

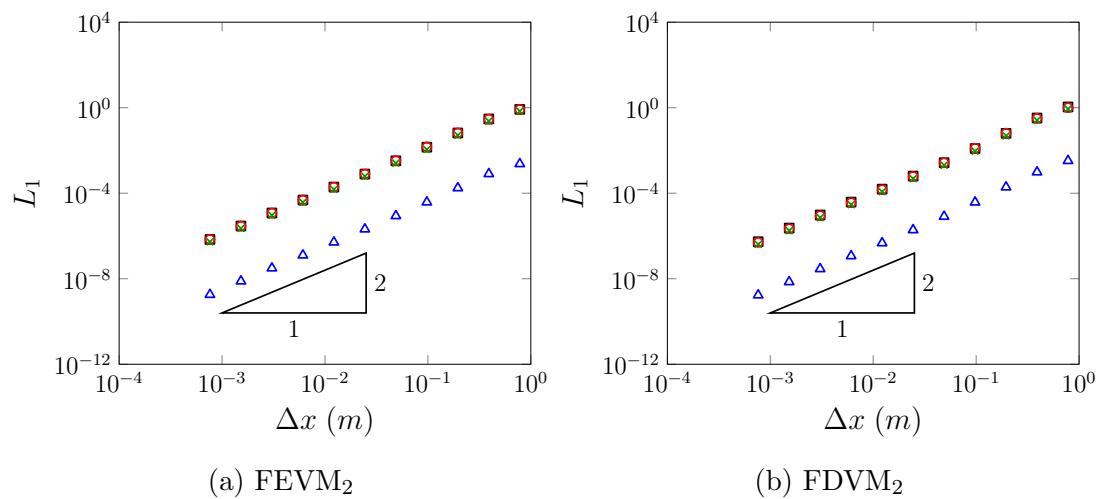


Figure 5.7: Convergence plots as measured by the L_1 norm for h (\triangle), u (\square), uh (\times) and G (\circ) for the forced solution problem for FEVM and FDVM at $t = 10s$.

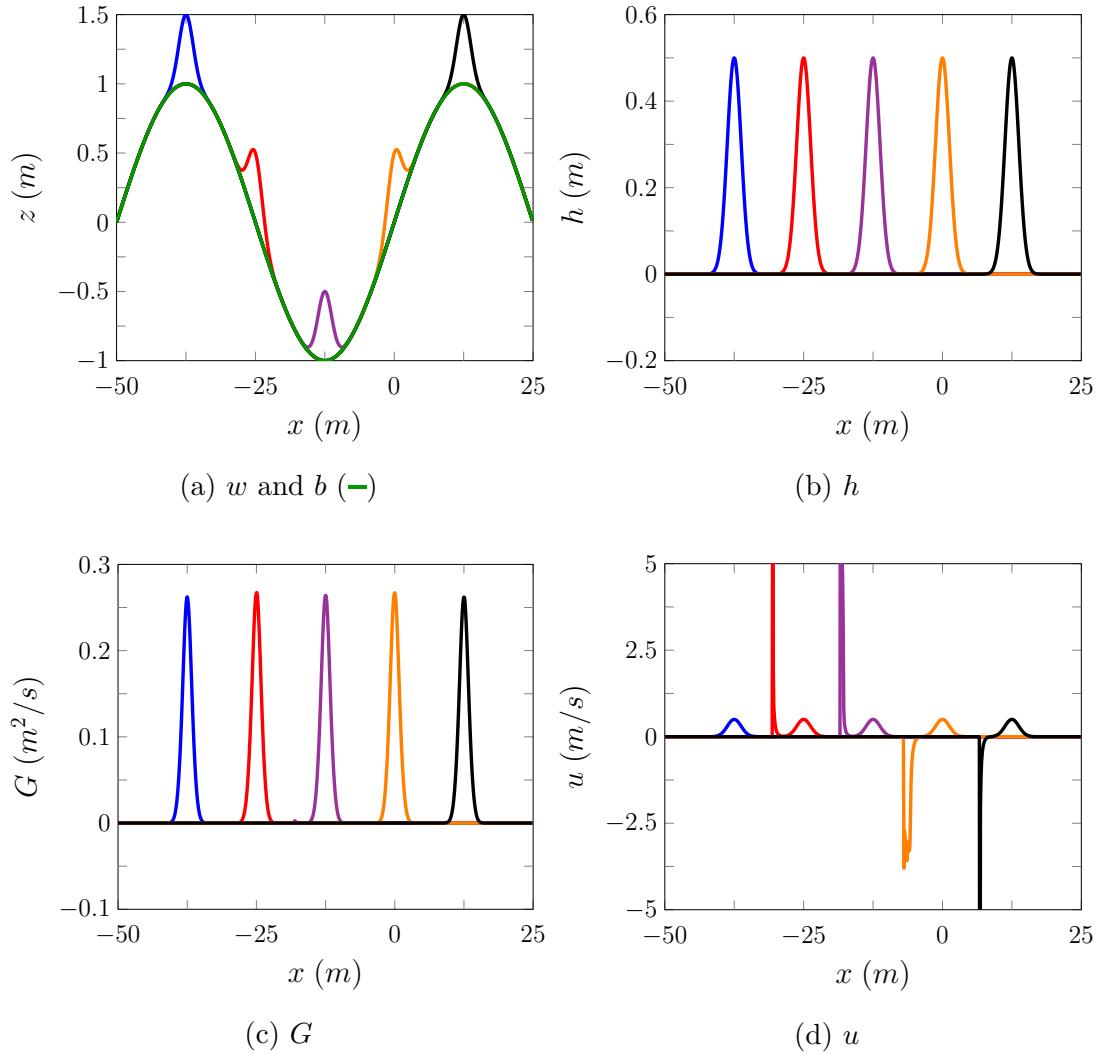


Figure 5.8: Plots of various quantities for the FEVM numerical solution at 0s (—), 2.5s (—), 5.0s (—), 7.5s (—), 10.0s (—) of the forced Serre equations.

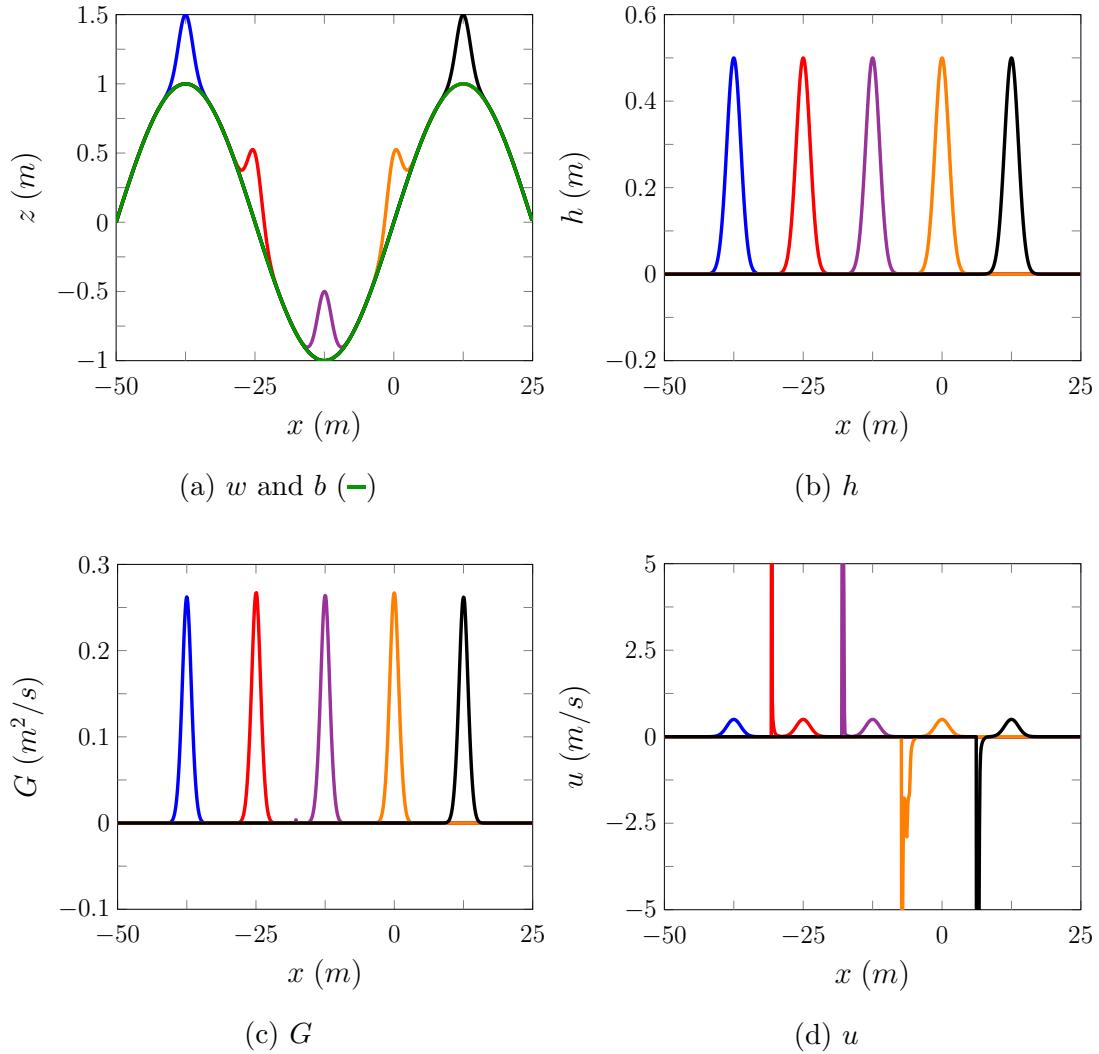


Figure 5.9: Plots of various quantities for the FDVM numerical solution at 0s (—), 2.5s (—), 5.0s (—), 7.5s (—), 10.0s (—) of the forced Serre equations.

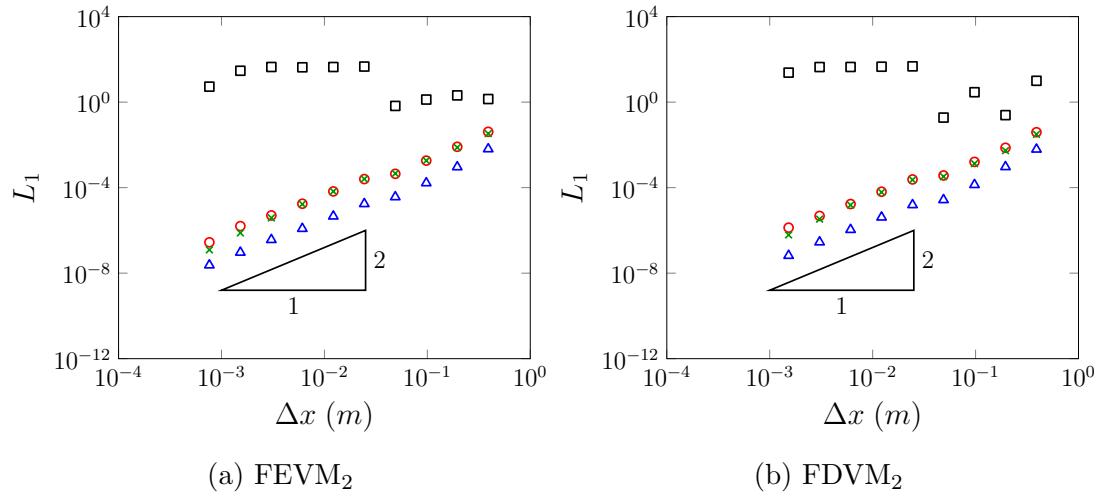


Figure 5.10: Convergence plots as measured by the L_1 norm for h (\triangle), u (\square), uh (\times) and G (\circ) for the forced solution problem for FEVM and FDVM at $t = 10s$.

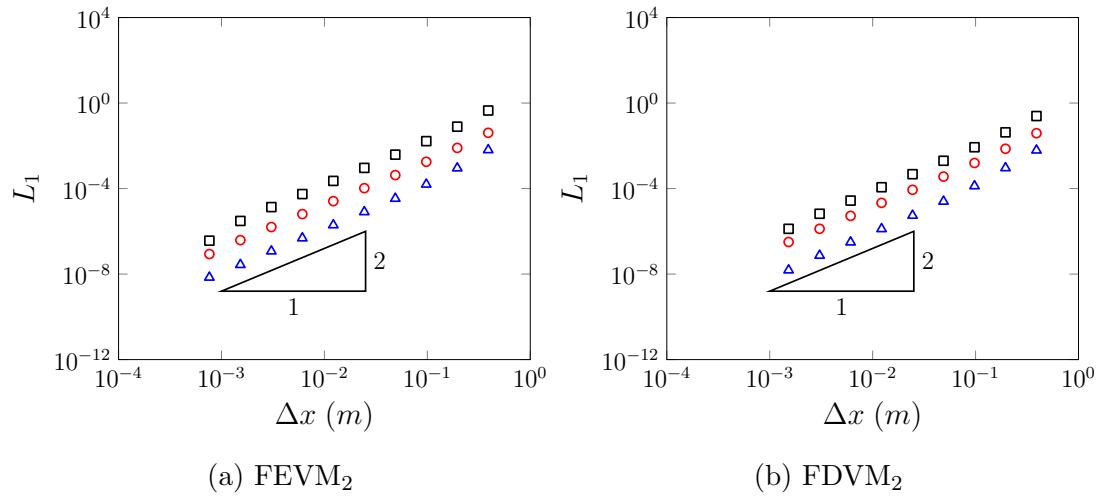


Figure 5.11: Convergence plots as measured by the L_1 norm around the peak for h (\triangle), u (\square) and G (\circ) for the forced solution problem for FEVM and FDVM at $t = 10s$.

Chapter 6

Experimental Validation

6.1 Segur

6.1.1 Results for 1cm

6.1.2 Results for 3cm

6.2 Periodic Waves Over A Submerged Bar

Beji and Battjes conducted a series of experiments investigating the effect of submerged bars on the propagation of periodic waves [28, 29]. The behaviour of these experiments were mainly driven by the dispersion properties of the waves and their interaction with variations in bathymetry. Therefore, these experiments serve as a good benchmark for our numerical schemes abilities to accurately model both the effect of variable bathymetry and dispersive waves. For our purposes we will focus on the monochromatic wave experiments of Beji and Battjes [29].

The experiments of Beji and Battjes [29] were conducted in a wave tank $37.7m$ long, $0.8m$ wide and $0.75m$ high. A diagram of the longitudinal section of the wave tank is given in Figure 6.6. There are seven wave gauges at the following locations; $5.7m$, $10.5m$, $12.5m$, $13.5m$, $14.5m$, $15.7m$ and $17.3m$. Waves are generated from a piston-type wave maker located at $0m$ and travel on the initially still water to the right, over the submerged trapezoidal bar towards a wave absorbing sloped beach.

Two sinusoidal monochromatic non-breaking wave experiments were conducted. A low frequency one with a wavelength $\lambda \approx 3.69m$ and a period of $T = 2s$, and a high frequency one with $\lambda \approx 2.05m$ and a period of $T = 1.25s$. Both experiments

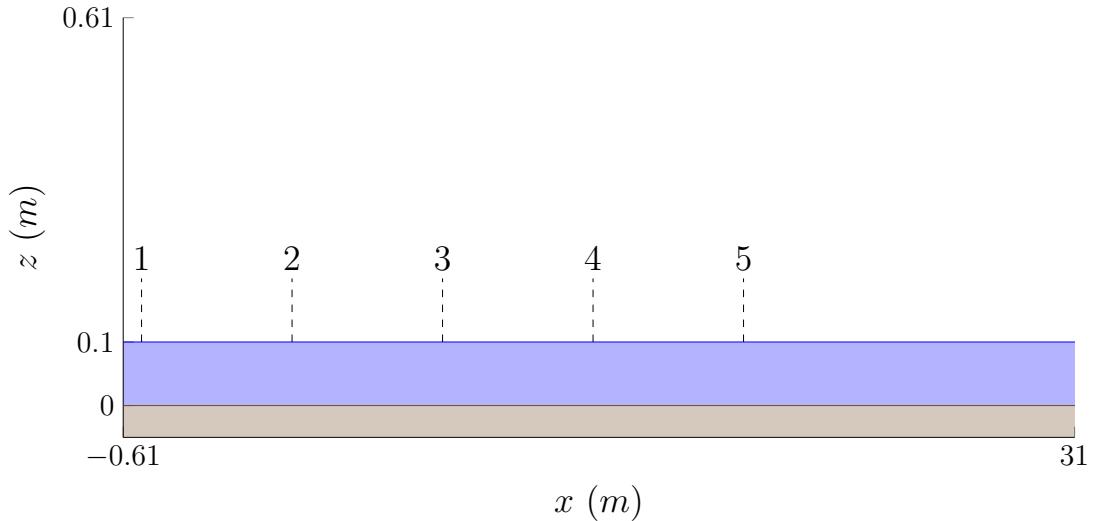


Figure 6.1: Diagram demonstrating the water (■) and the bed (□) for the Segur experiments, with the wave gauge locations marked.

had a wave amplitude of $0.01m$ and so both had the same non-linearity parameter $\epsilon = 0.01/0.4 = 0.025$.

We numerically simulated these experiments over the spatial domain $[5.7m, 150m]$ with $\Delta x = 0.1/2^4m$ and $\Delta t = Sp/2^5$ where $Sp = 0.039$ is the experimental sampling period. These Δx and Δt values satisfy the CFL condition (3.31) for these experiments. In our numerical experiments only the submerged trapezoidal bar is present, and the sloping beach is replaced with a very long horizontal bed that ensures that we do not observe any boundary effects in our results.

To simulate the incoming waves at the upstream boundary we used the first wave gauge as our left boundary condition and used linear extrapolation to calculate the other required h values in the left ghost cell. The velocity boundary conditions were calculated from the height values by solving the continuity equation (2.2a) assuming u and h are travelling wave solutions

$$u(x, t) = \sqrt{gh_0} \frac{h(x, t) - h_0}{h(x, t)}.$$

Finally the boundary conditions for G were calculated using the boundary conditions for h and u . We shall now present our numerical results for the low and high frequency experiments.

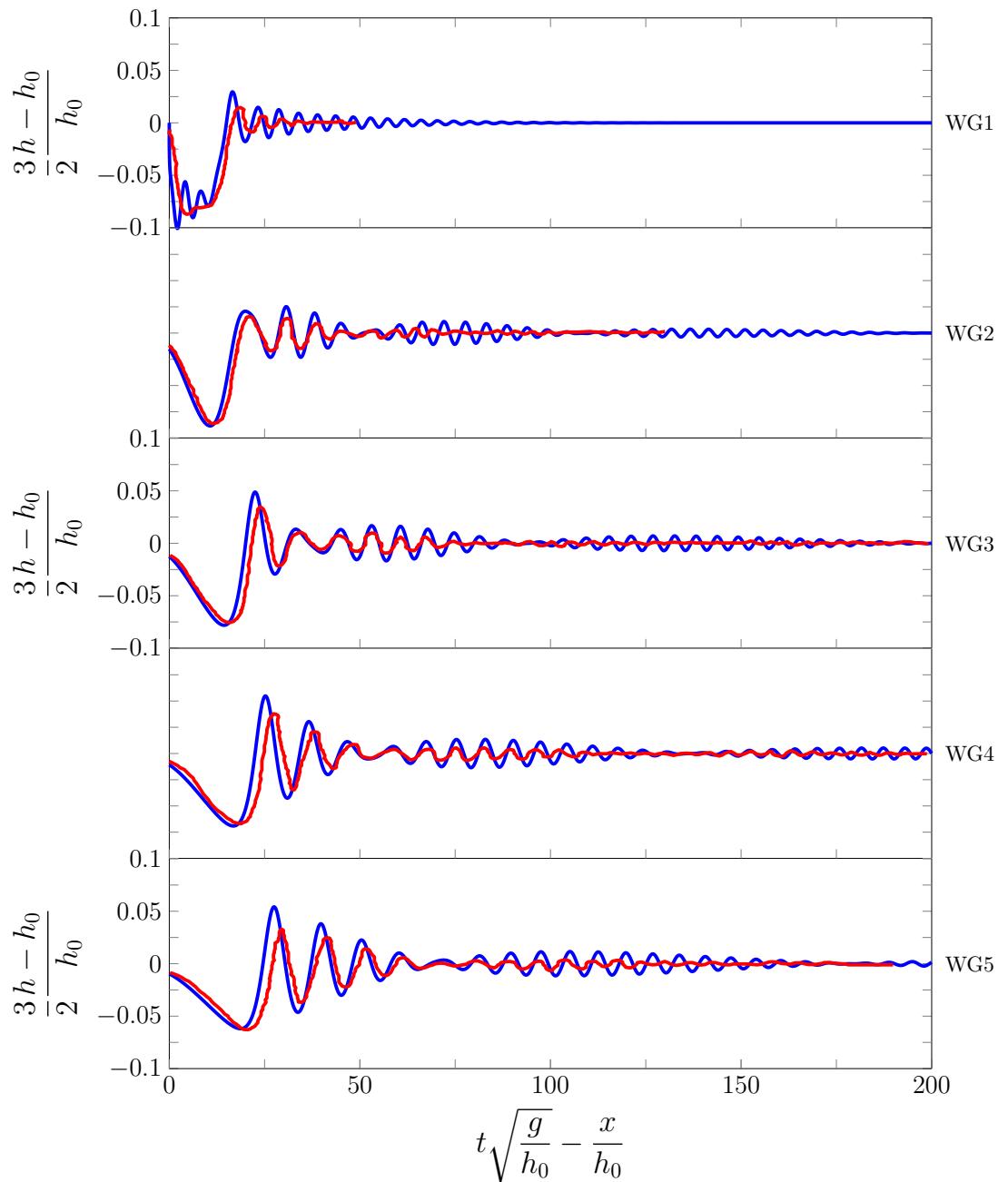


Figure 6.2: FEVM

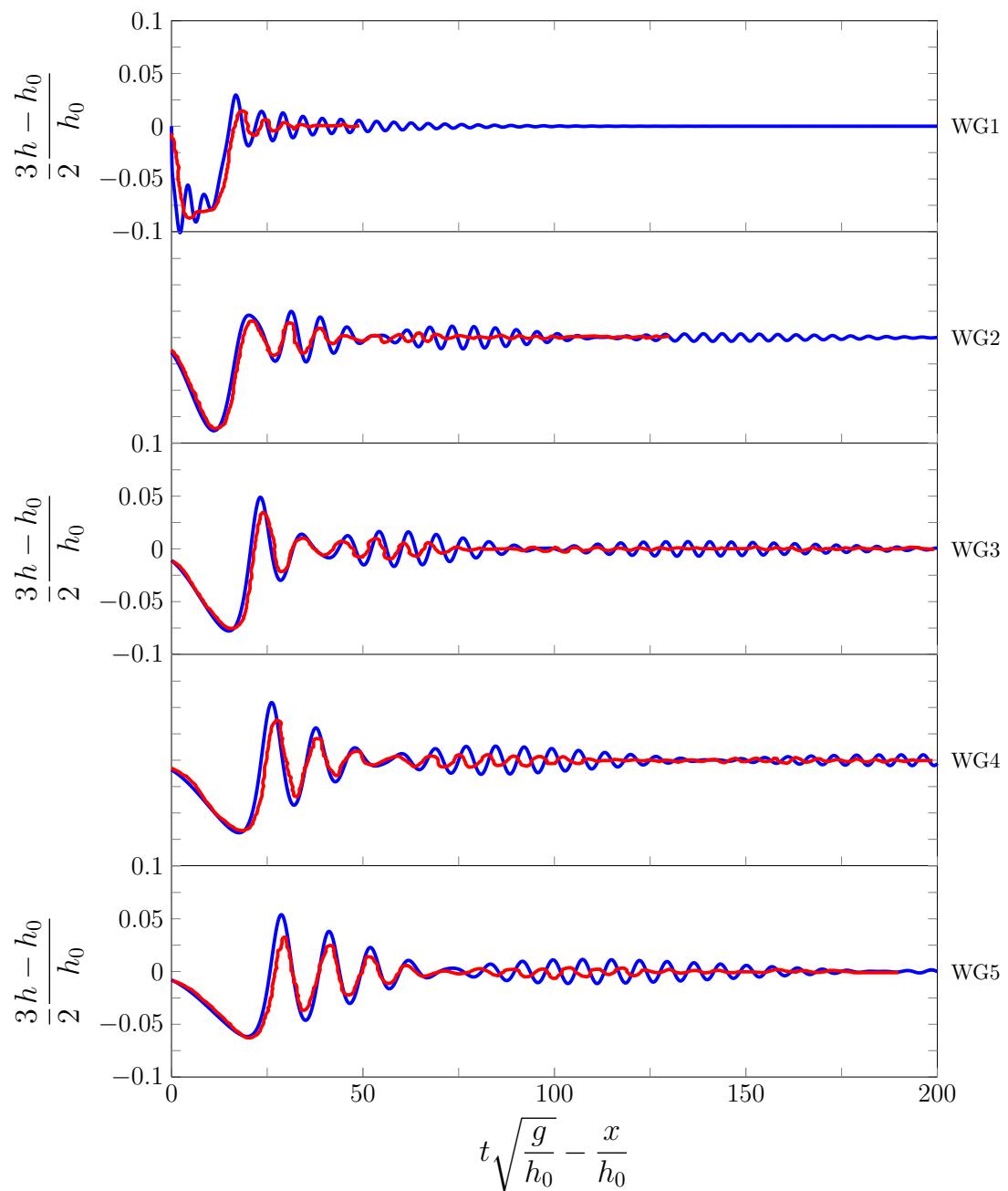


Figure 6.3: FDVM

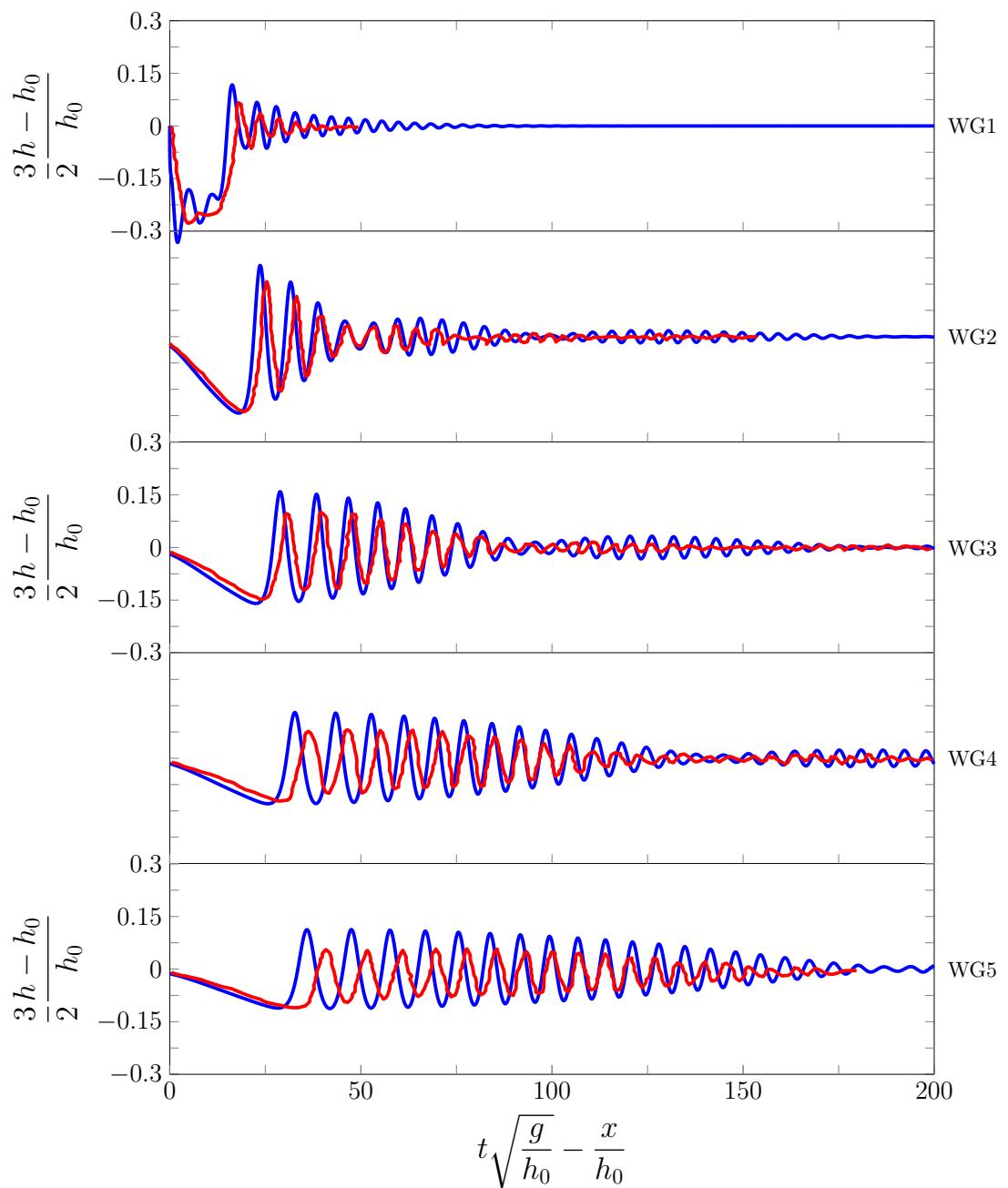


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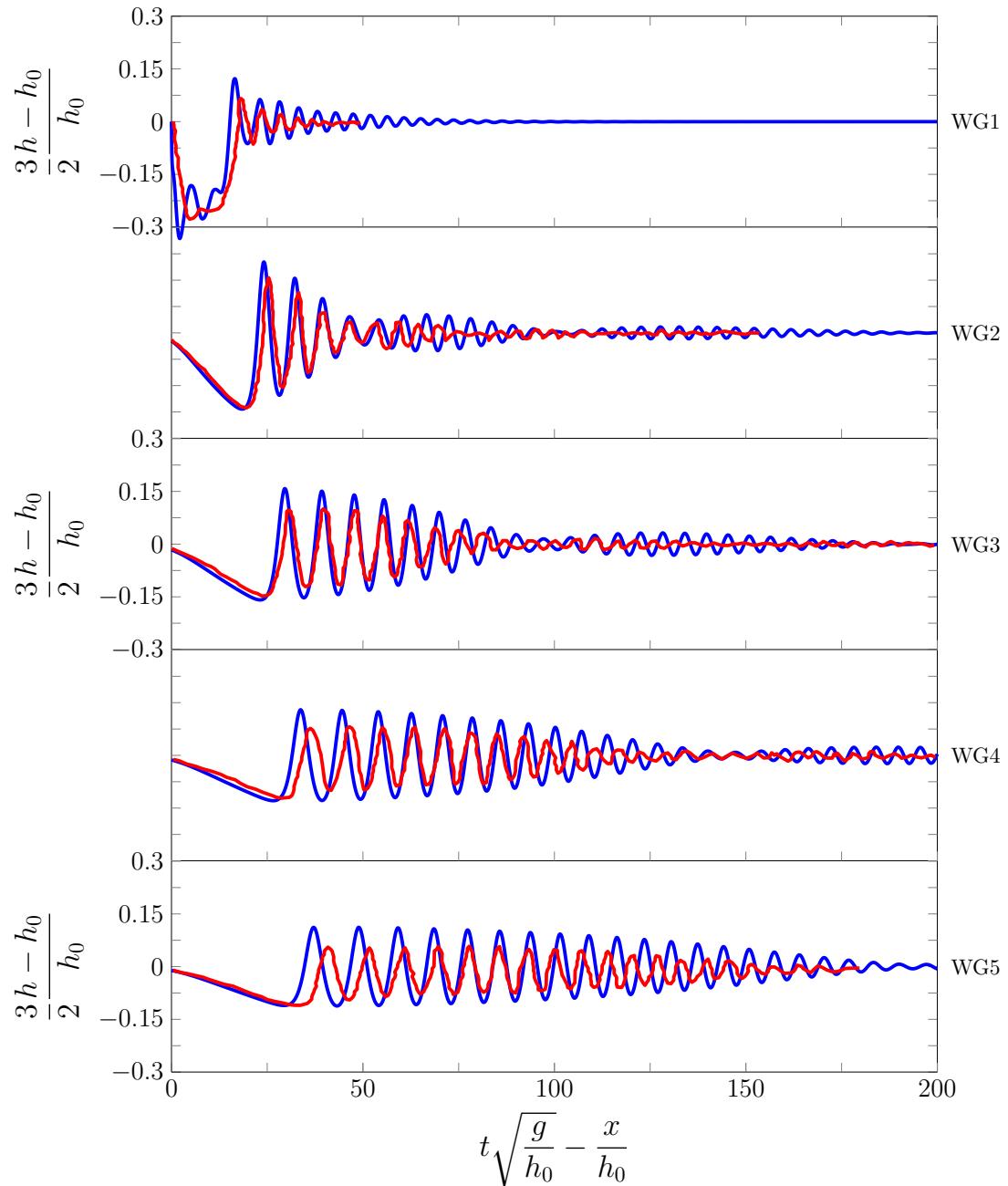


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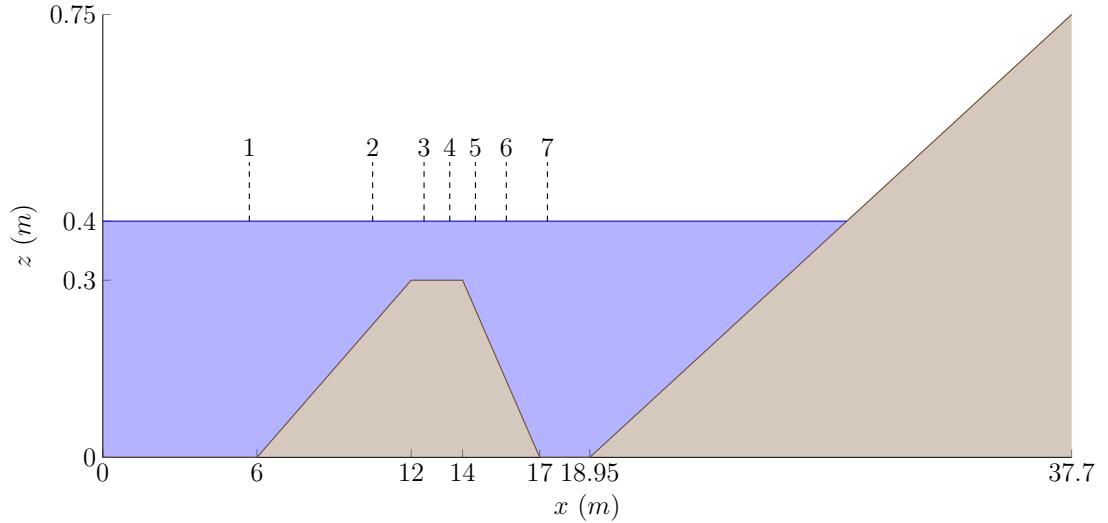


Figure 6.6: Diagram demonstrating the water (■) and the ground (■) for the Beji experiments, with the wave gauge locations marked.

6.2.1 Low Frequency Results

A comparison of wave heights of the experimental and numerical results are located in Figures 6.7 and 6.8 for FEVM₂ and Figures 6.9 and 6.10 for FDVM₂. These numerical schemes both produce identical results for all wave gauges and so this benchmark does not help us discriminate between these two methods.

These results demonstrate the ability of these numerical methods to recreate the experimental results, particularly for wave gauge 1 to 5 where the agreement between experimental and numerical results is best. This validates the numerical schemes for simulating shoaling of dispersion waves as these wave gauges are all located on the windward side of the submerged bar where shoaling occurs in the experiment.

The numerical results for wave gauges 6 and 7 on the leeward side capture some of the wave behaviour but their agreement with the experiments results is much worse. The inadequacy of the numerical results here appears to be due to the discrepancy between the dispersion properties of the Serre equations and water waves, as the numerical solutions of improved dispersion equations [29, 30] accurately reproduce the experimental results on the leeward side.

The dispersion of the Serre equations is vital to recreating the experimental results for wave gauges 2 to 5, as non-dispersive equations such as the SWWE do a very poor job at simulating this experiment [10]. However, to properly reproduce the experimental results on the leeward side of the slope at wave gauges 6 and

7 would require improving the dispersion characteristics of the underlying Serre equations as done by Barthélemy [12]. Such an improvement can be incorporated into the hybrid FDVM and FEVM numerical methods [5] but is beyond the scope of this thesis.

6.2.2 High Frequency Results

The wave heights of the experimental and numerical results are given in Figures 6.11 and 6.12 for FEVM_2 . While the results for FDVM_2 are given in Figures 6.13 and 6.14. As for the low frequency experiment, these numerical schemes FEVM_2 and FDVM_2 produce identical results for all wave gauges at this scale and so this benchmark does not discriminate between these two methods.

As in the low frequency experiment we observe that the numerical results perform well on the windward side of the slope for wave gauges 1 to 4 but perform poorly for the leeward side of the slope for wave gauges 5 to 7. With the high frequency experiment we see the divergence between the numerical and experimental results earlier than the low frequency experiment, so that now wave gauge 5 which is on the leeward side exhibits a significant difference between the numerical and experimental results. As in the low frequency example improving the dispersion properties of the governing partial differential equations lead to a much better agreement between the numerical and experimental results [29, 30]. Because the difference between the dispersion relation of the Serre equations and water waves is largest for higher frequency and therefore for shorter waves Barthélemy [12] the earlier divergence between experimental and numerical results is expected.

These numerical results for the FDVM_2 and FEVM_2 agree well with other numerical results for weakly dispersive equations without improved dispersion properties for the simulation of periodic waves over a submerged bar in the literature [29, 30, 7, 31]. Therefore, without changing the underlying partial differential equations, our numerical methods as well as these numerical schemes at recreating the experimental results of Beji and Battjes [29].

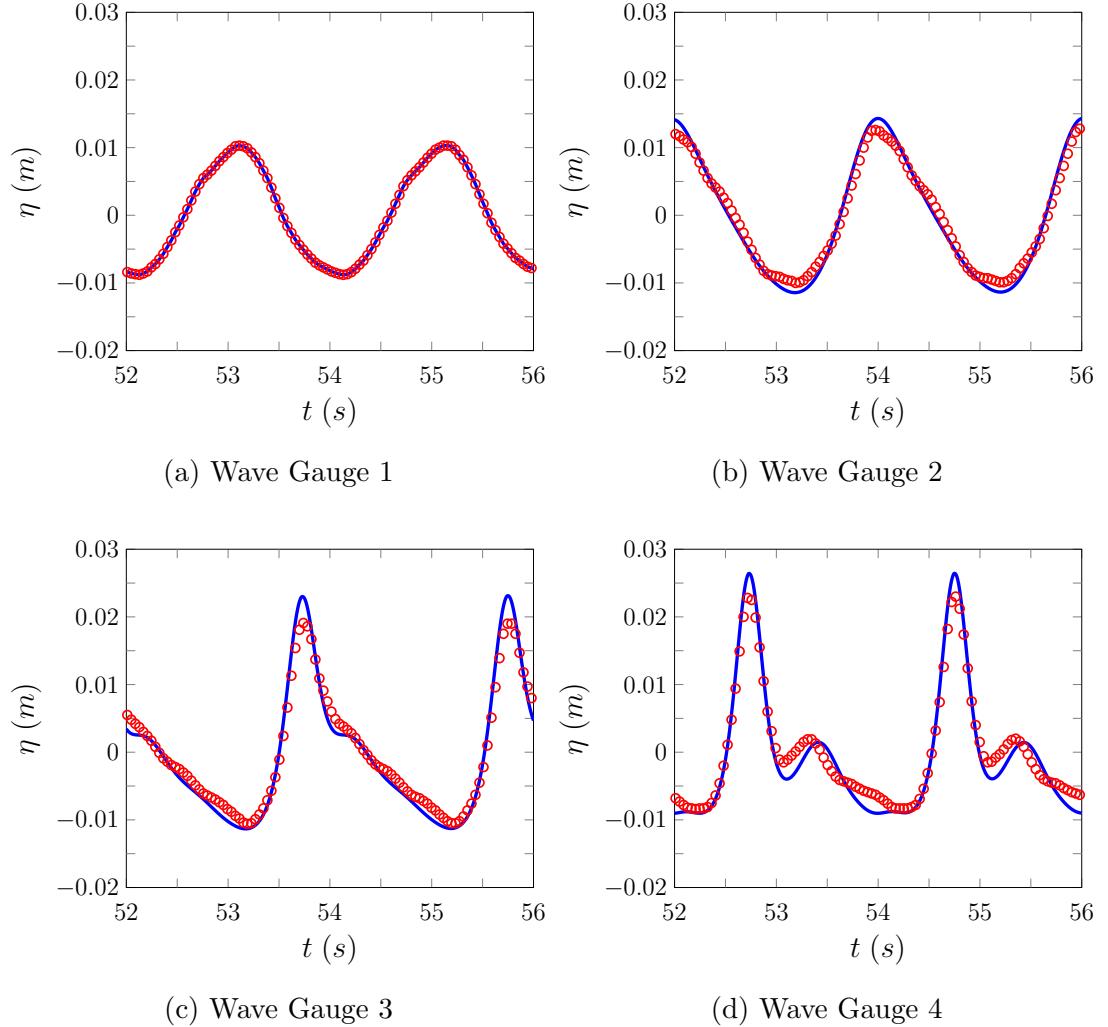


Figure 6.7: Comparison of the wave heights η of the numerical results for the FEVM_2 (—) and the experimental results (○) for wave gauges 1 - 4 for the low frequency experiment.

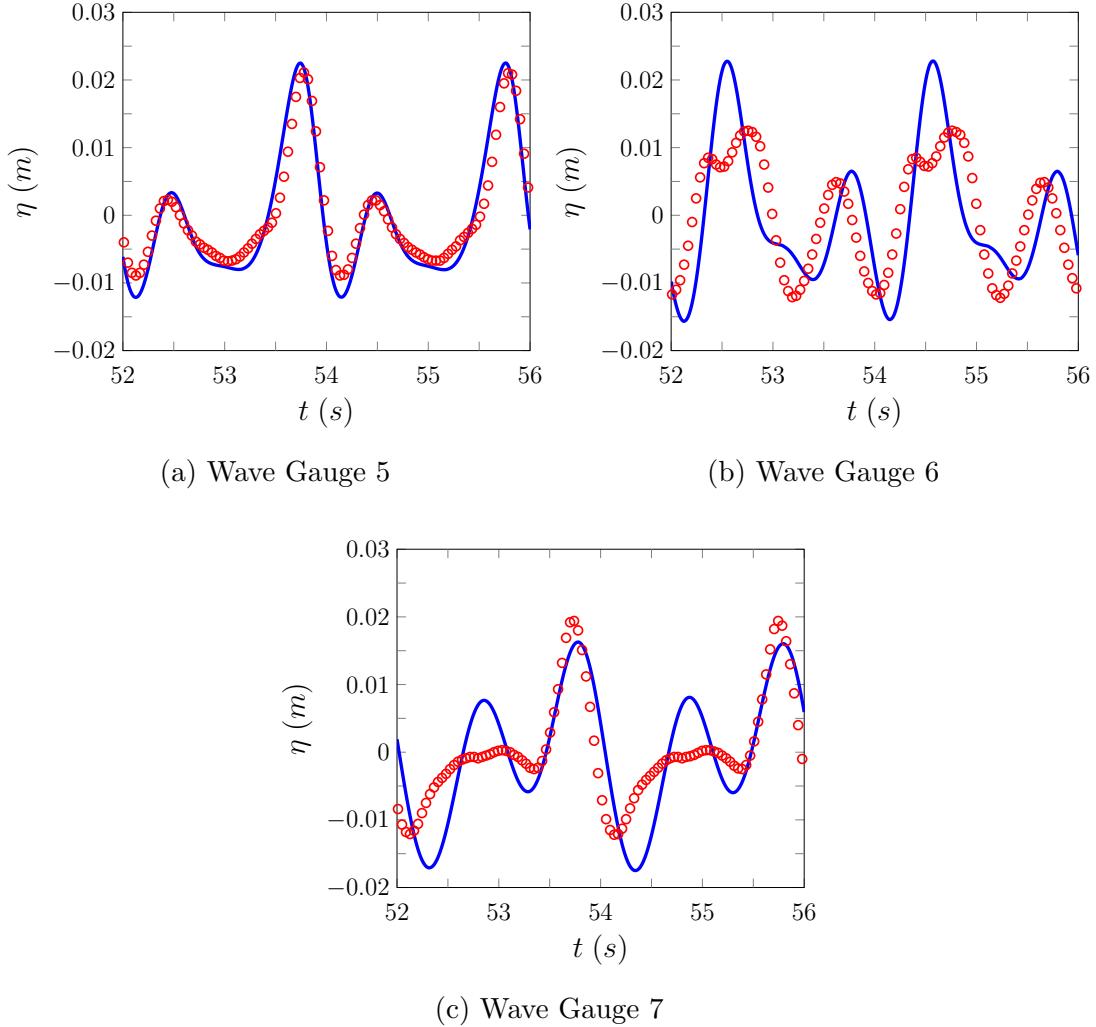


Figure 6.8: Comparison of the wave heights η of the numerical results for the FEVM₂ (—) and the experimental results (○) for wave gauges 5 - 7 for the low frequency experiment.

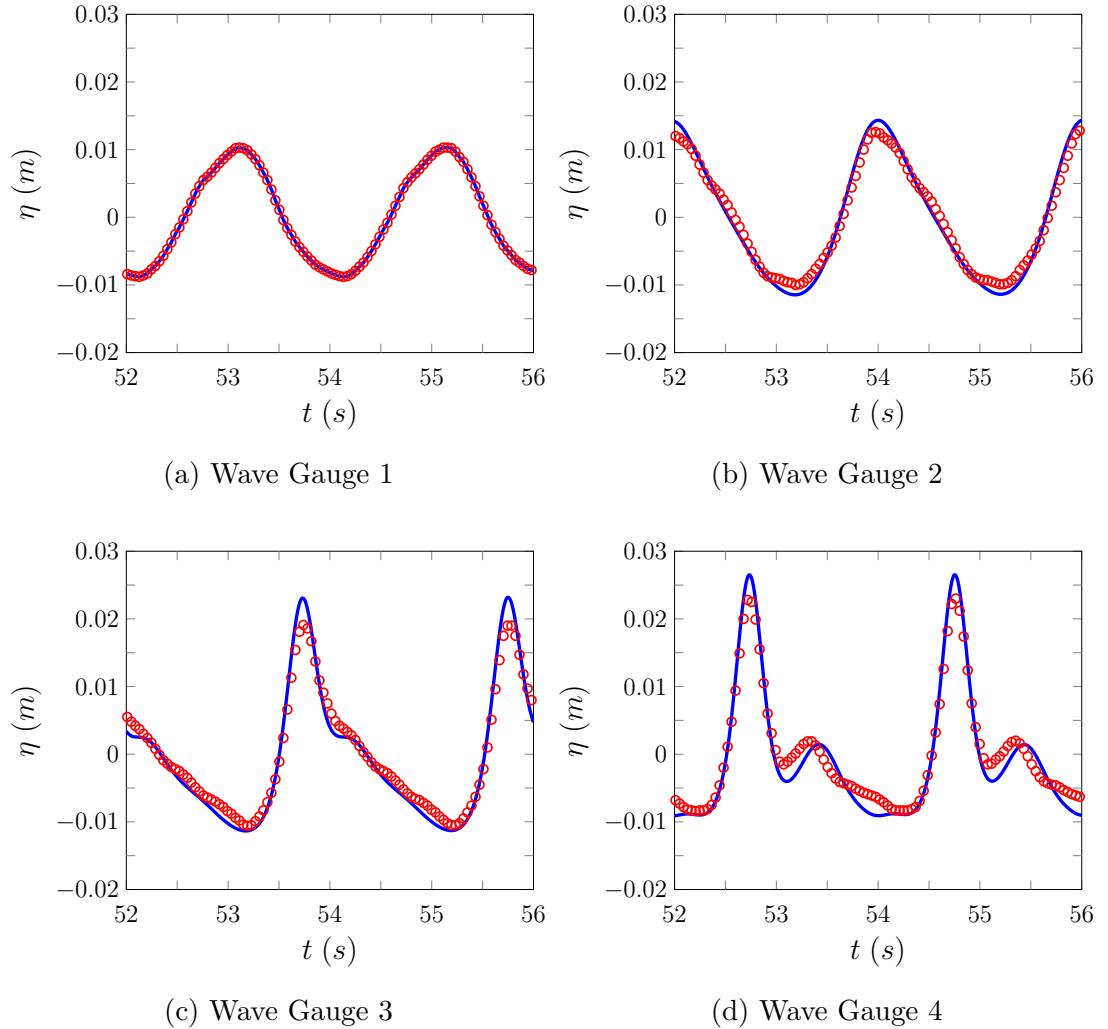


Figure 6.9: Comparison of the wave heights η of the numerical results for the FDVM₂ (—) and the experimental results (○) for wave gauges 1 - 4 for the low frequency experiment.

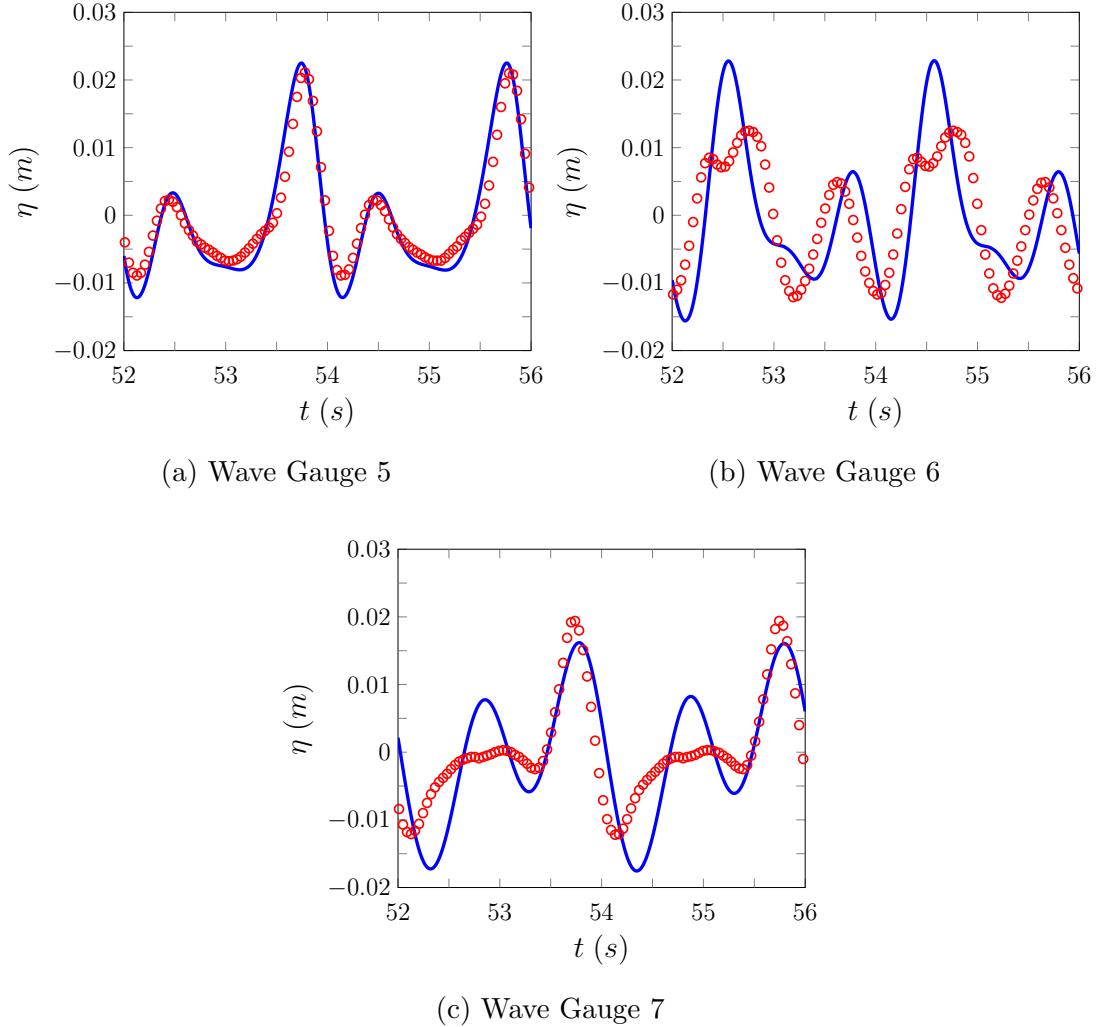


Figure 6.10: Comparison of the wave heights η of the numerical results for the FDVM₂ (—) and the experimental results (○) for wave gauges 5 - 7 for the low frequency experiment.

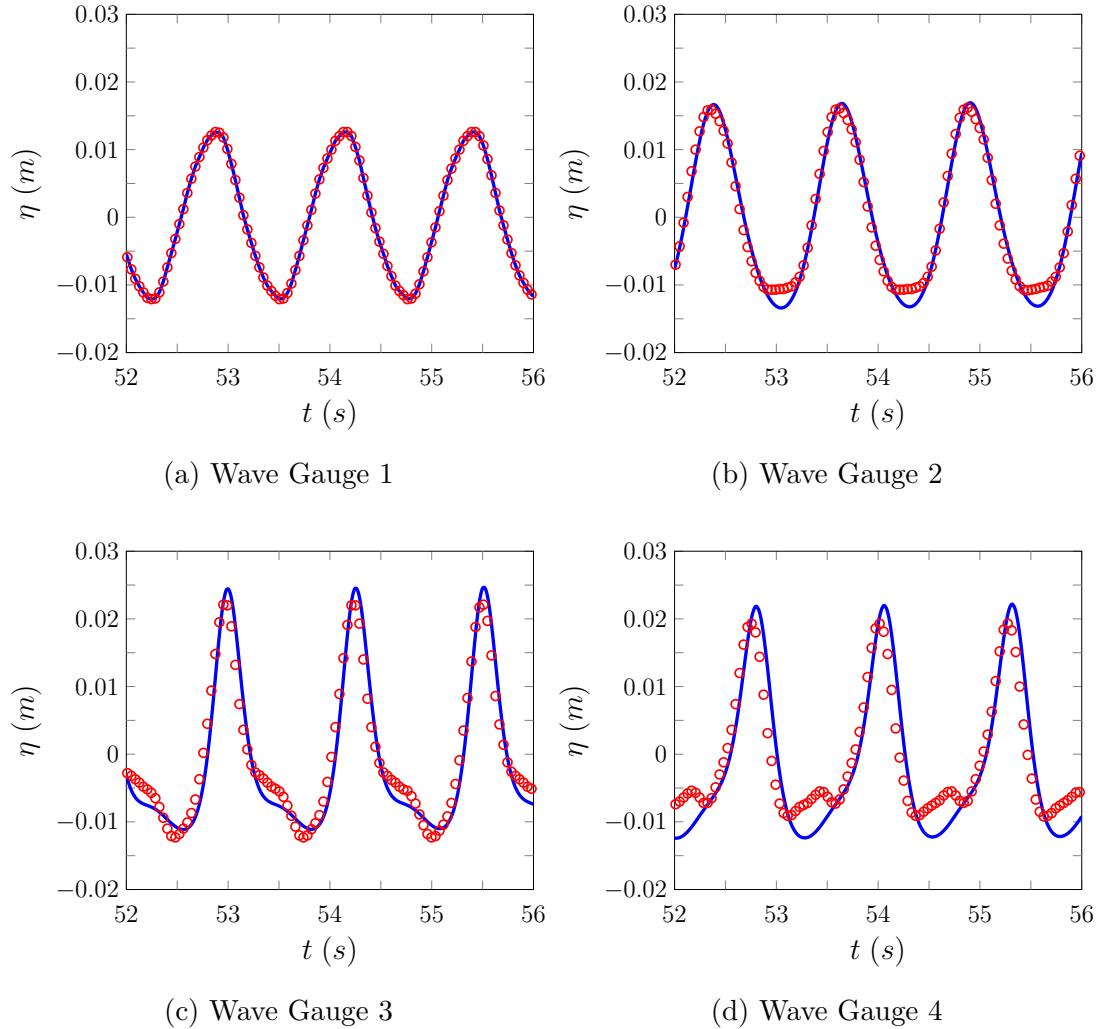


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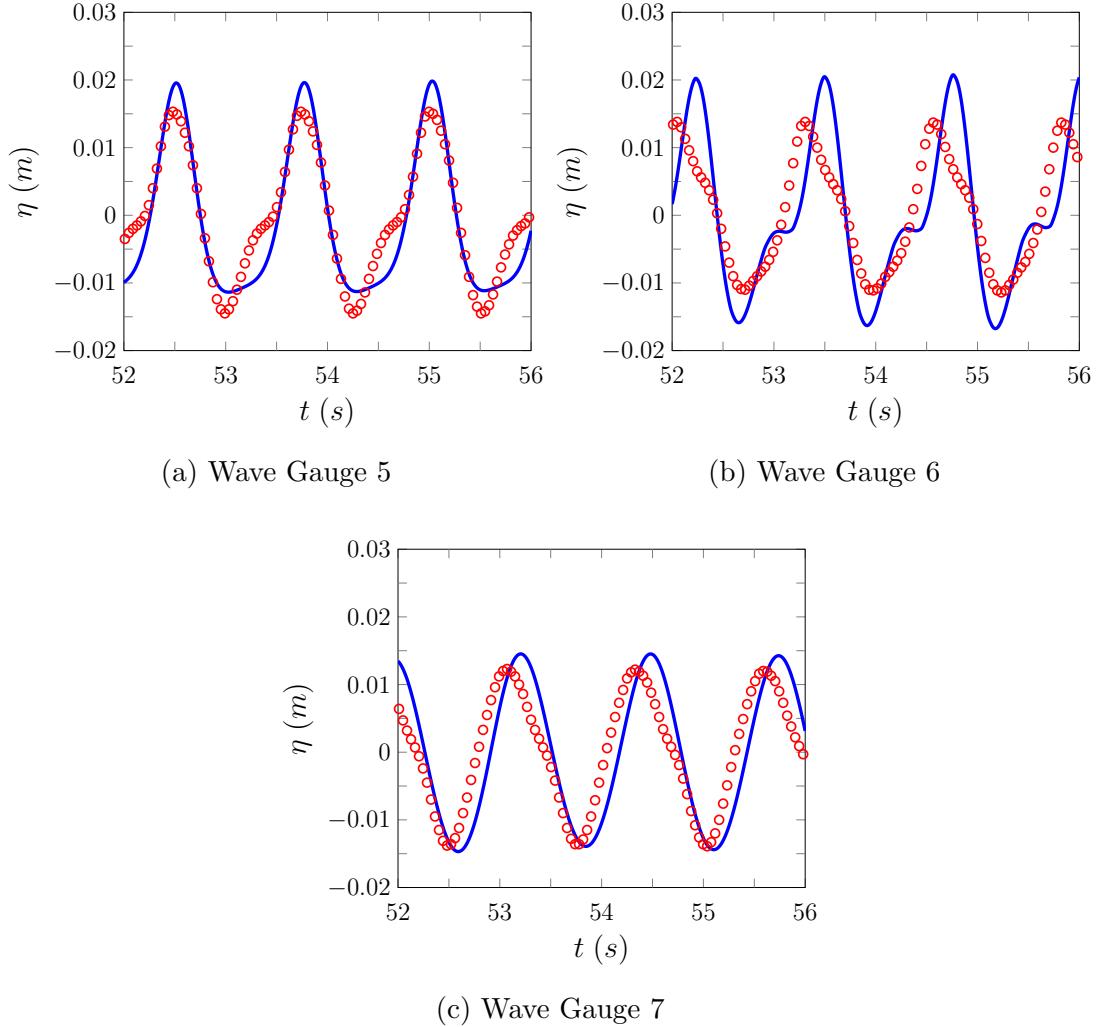


Figure 6.12: Comparison of the wave heights η of the numerical results for the FEVM₂ (—) and the experimental results (○) for wave gauges 5 - 7 for the high frequency experiment.

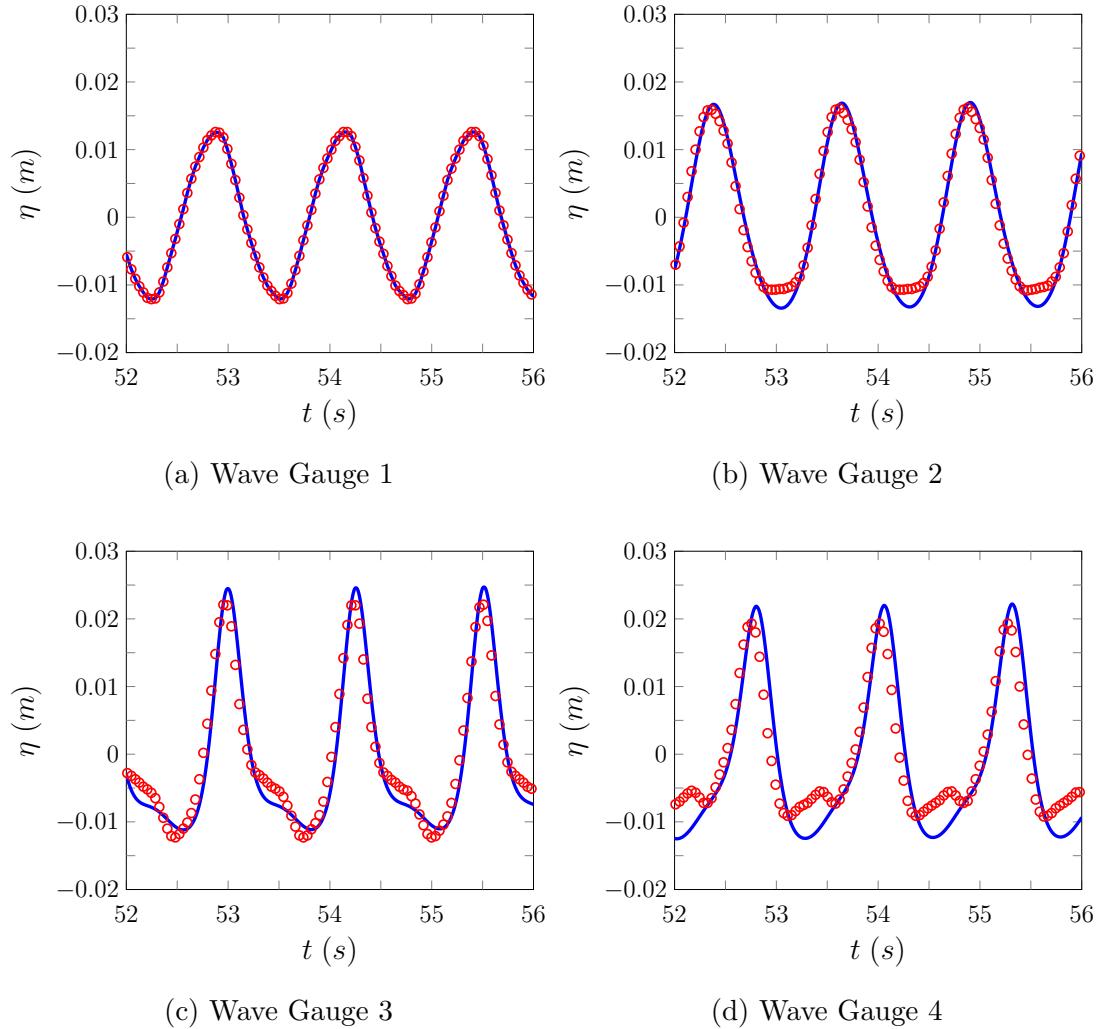


Figure 6.13: Comparison of the wave heights η of the numerical results for the FDVM₂ (—) and the experimental results (○) for wave gauges 1 - 4 for the high frequency experiment.

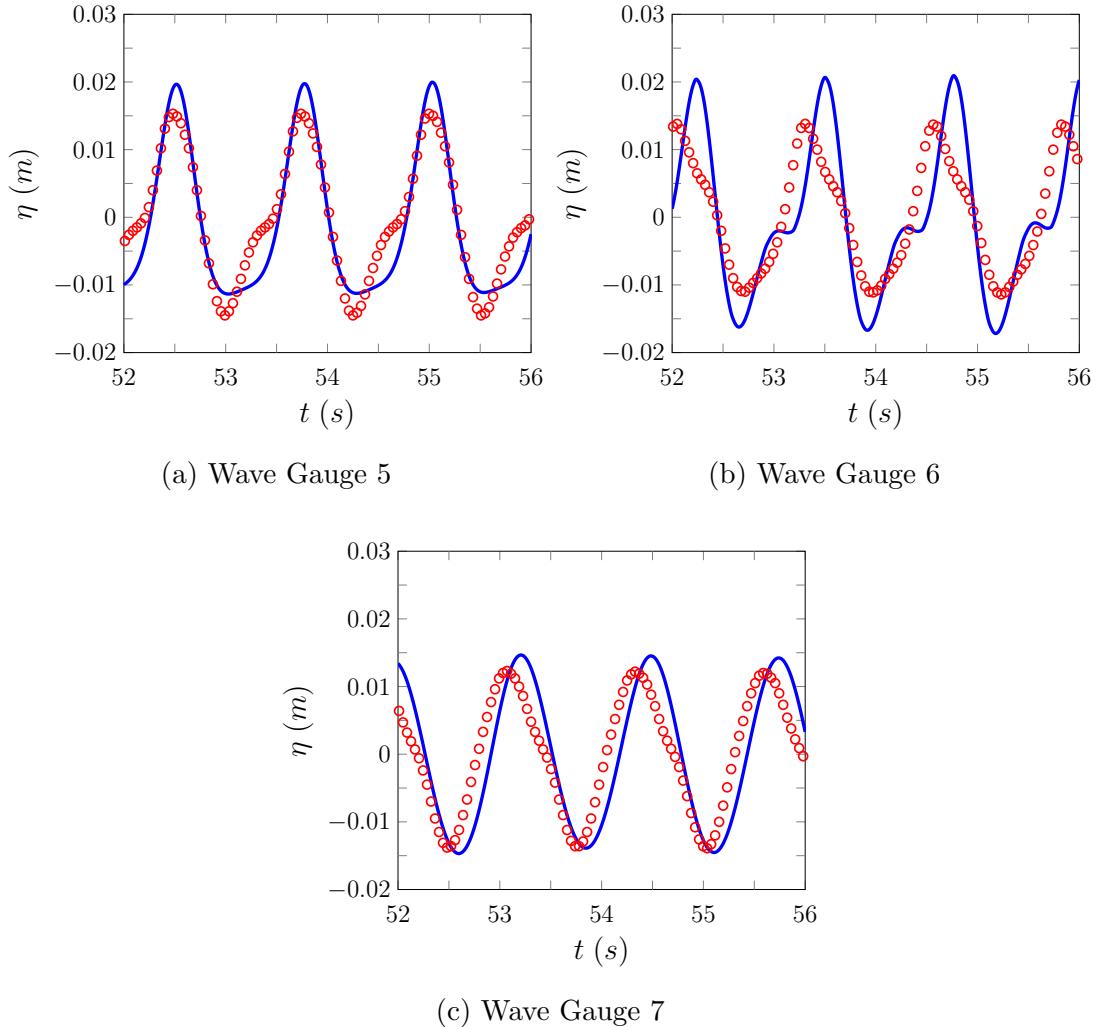


Figure 6.14: Comparison of the wave heights η of the numerical results for the FDVM₂ (—) and the experimental results (○) for wave gauges 5 - 7 for the high frequency experiment.

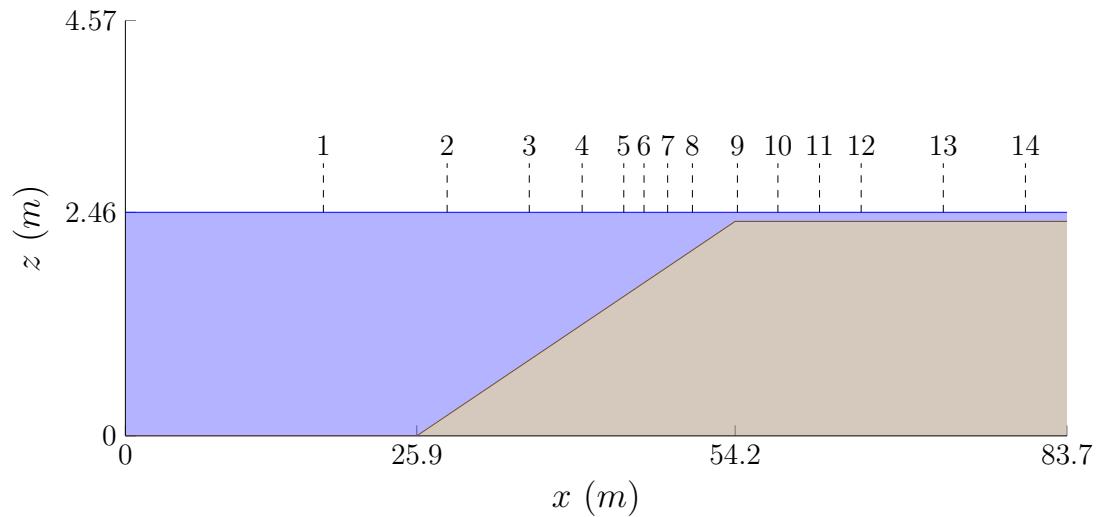


Figure 6.15: Diagram demonstrating the water (■) and the ground (□) for the Beiji experiments, with the wave gauge locations marked.

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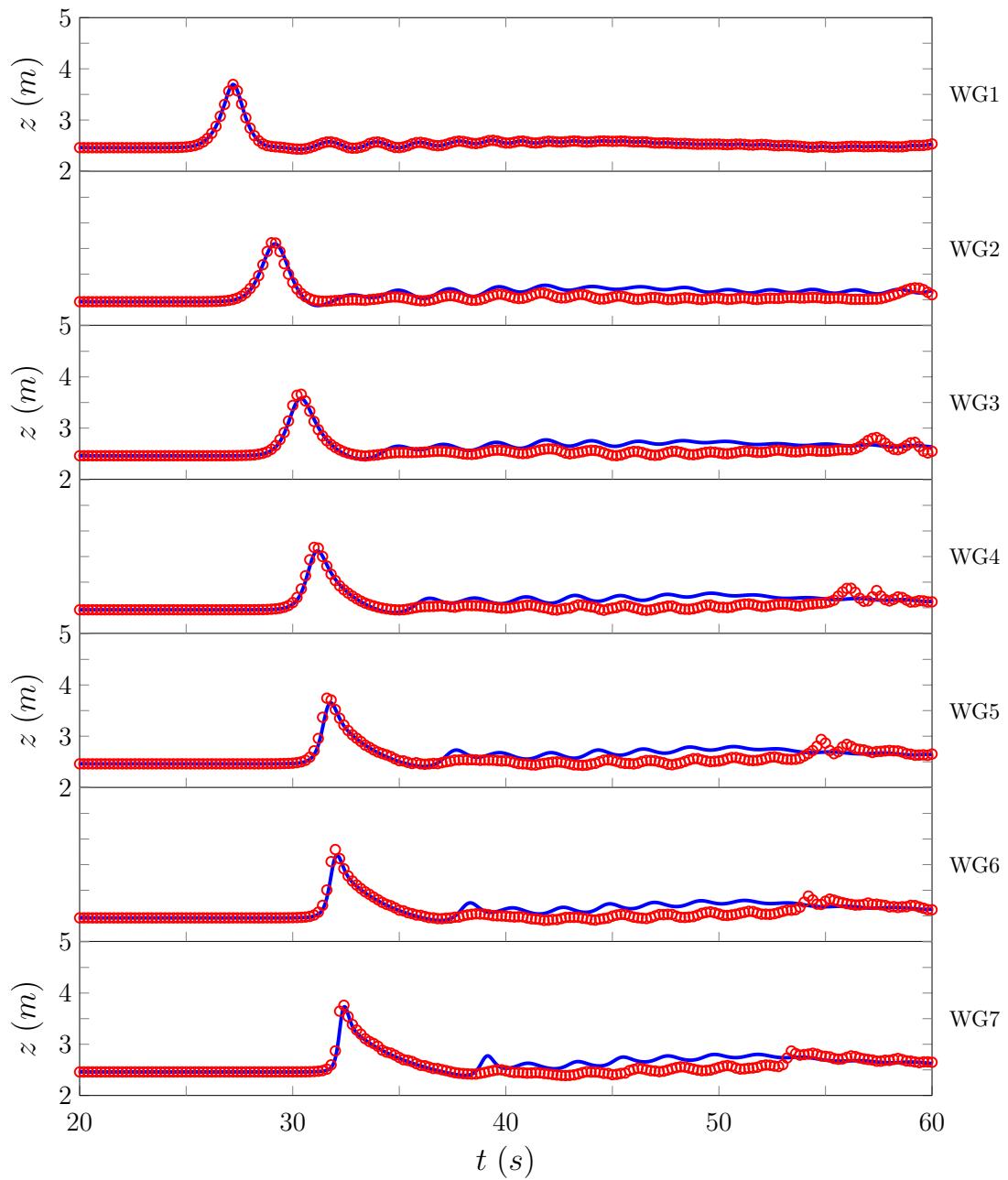


Figure 6.16: FEVM

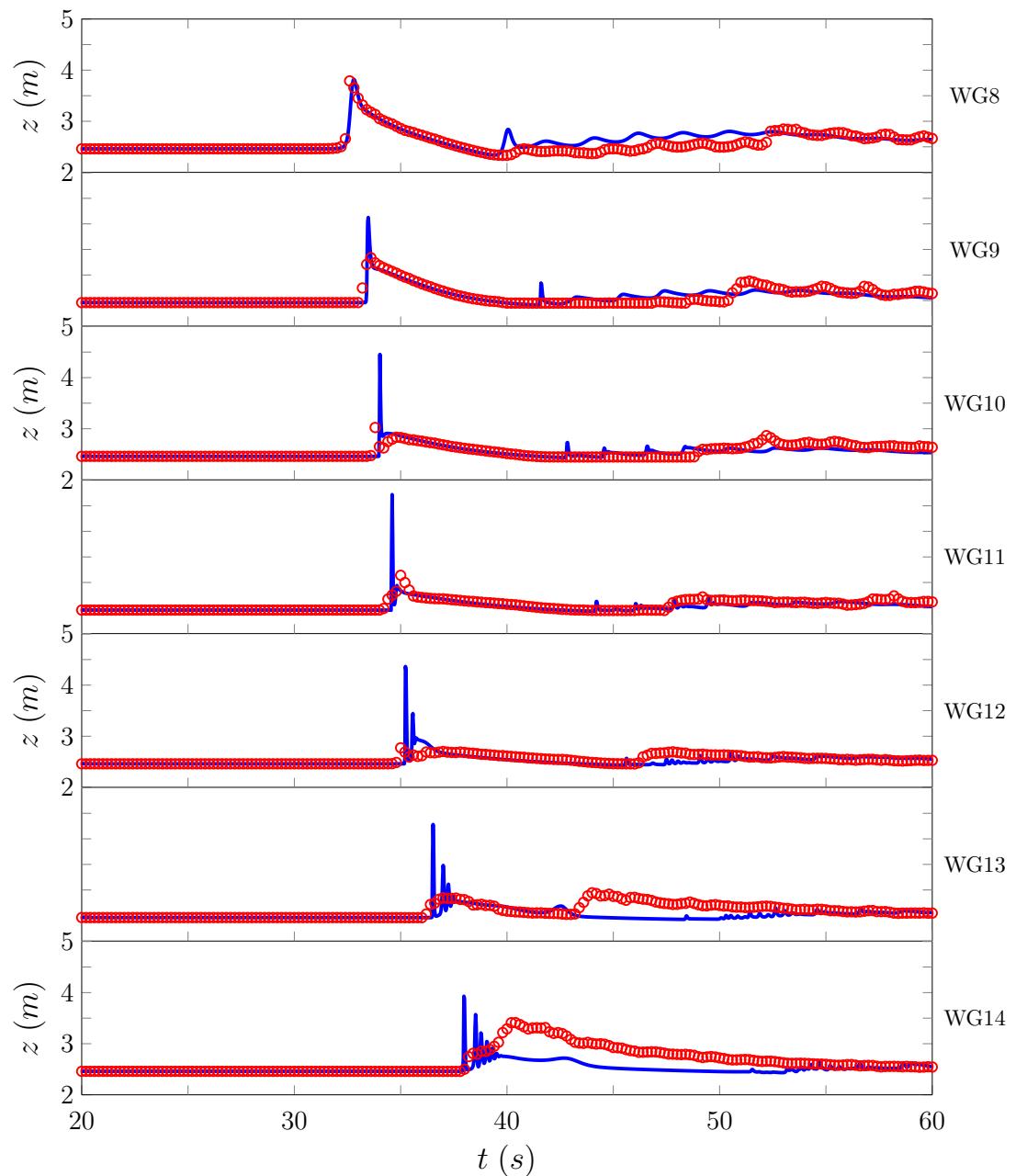


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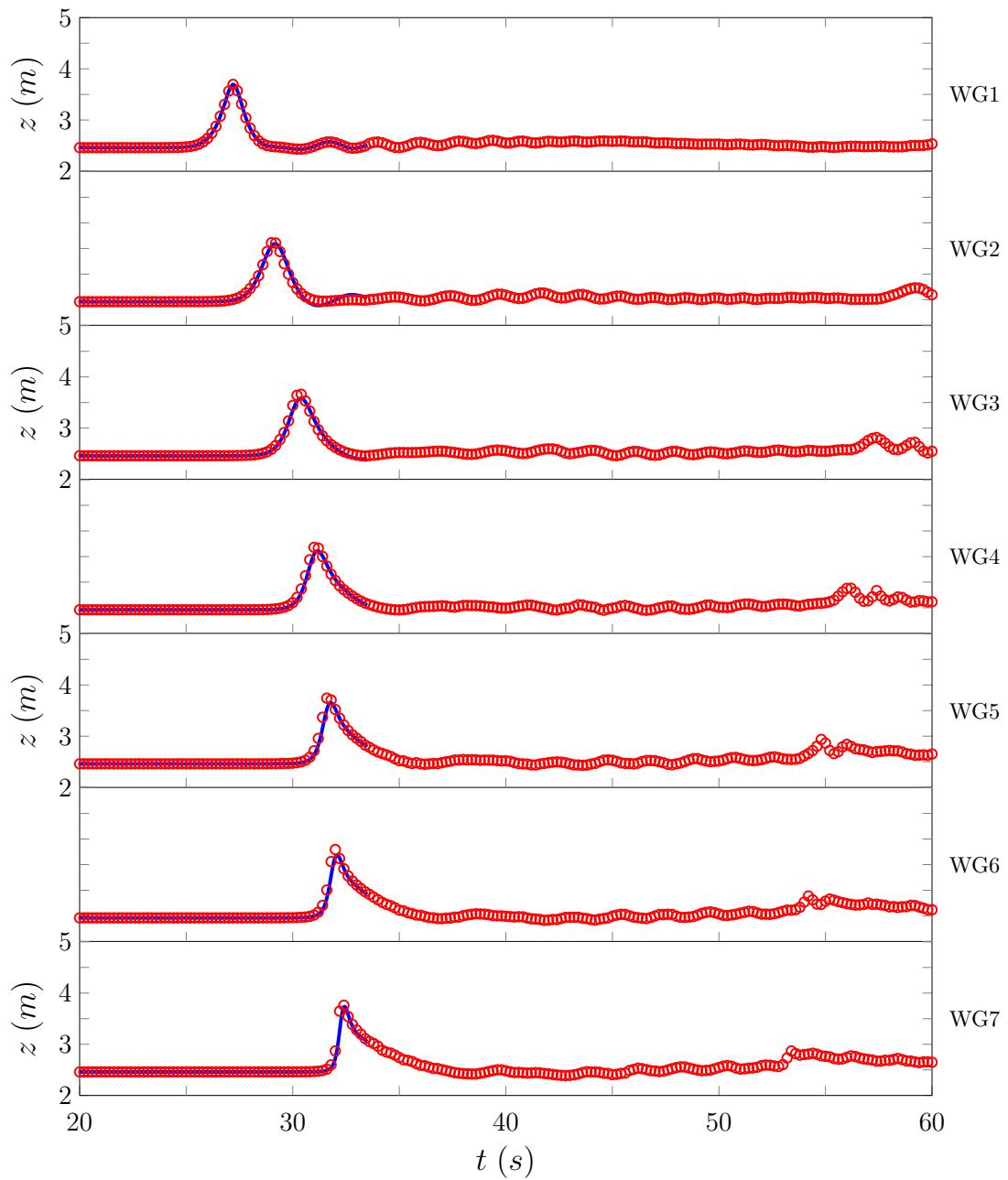


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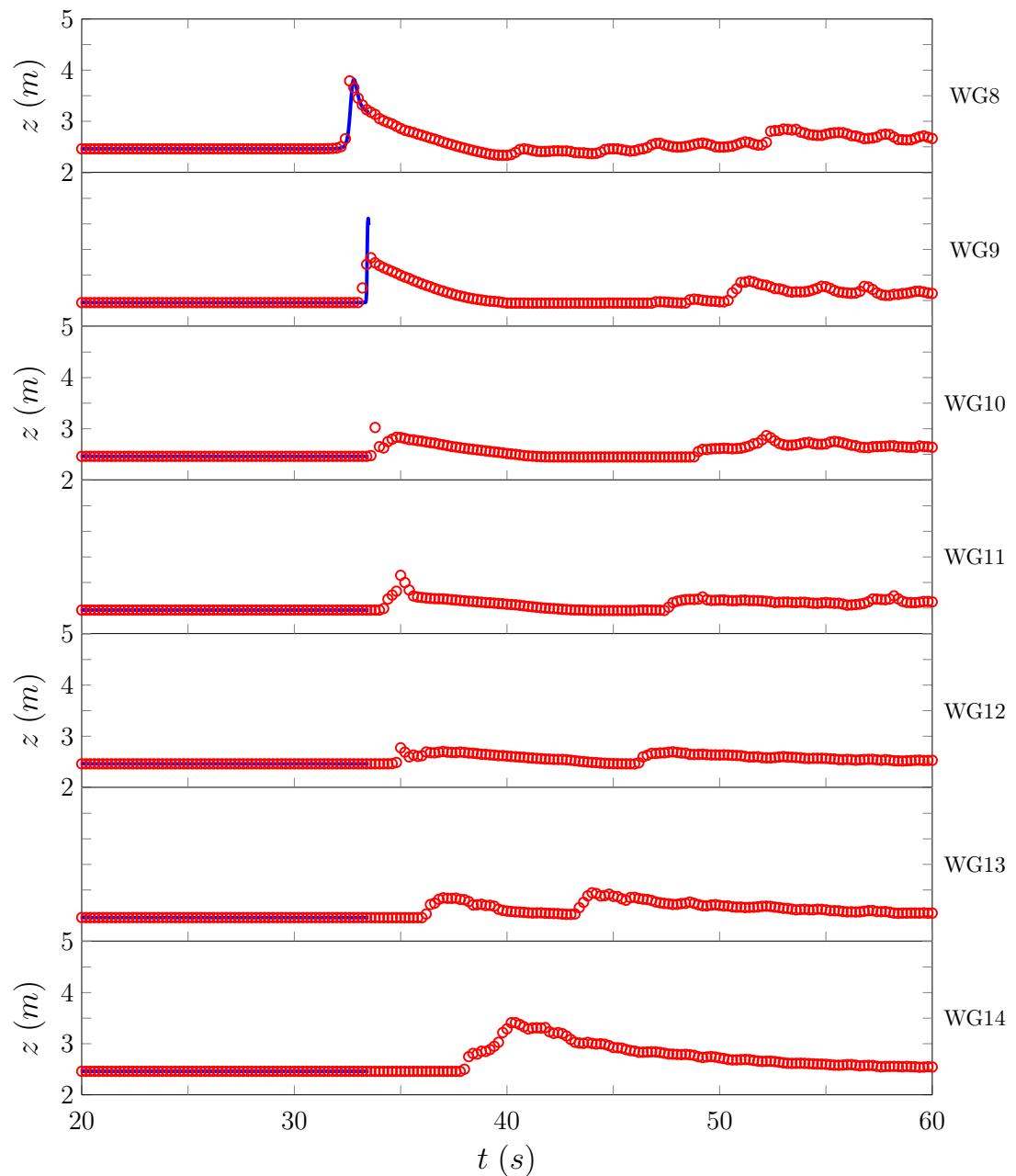


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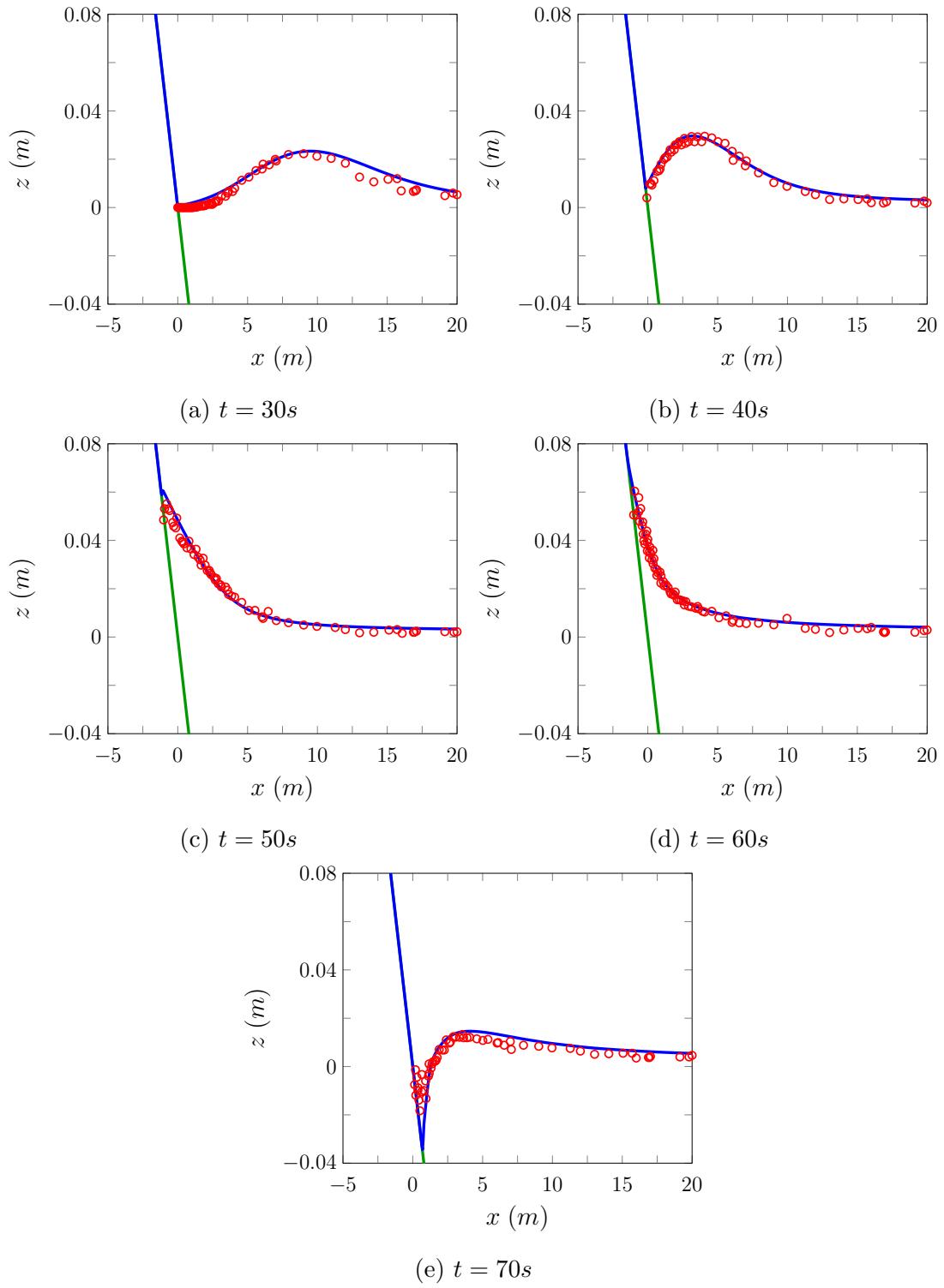


Figure 6.20: FEVM nonbreak times

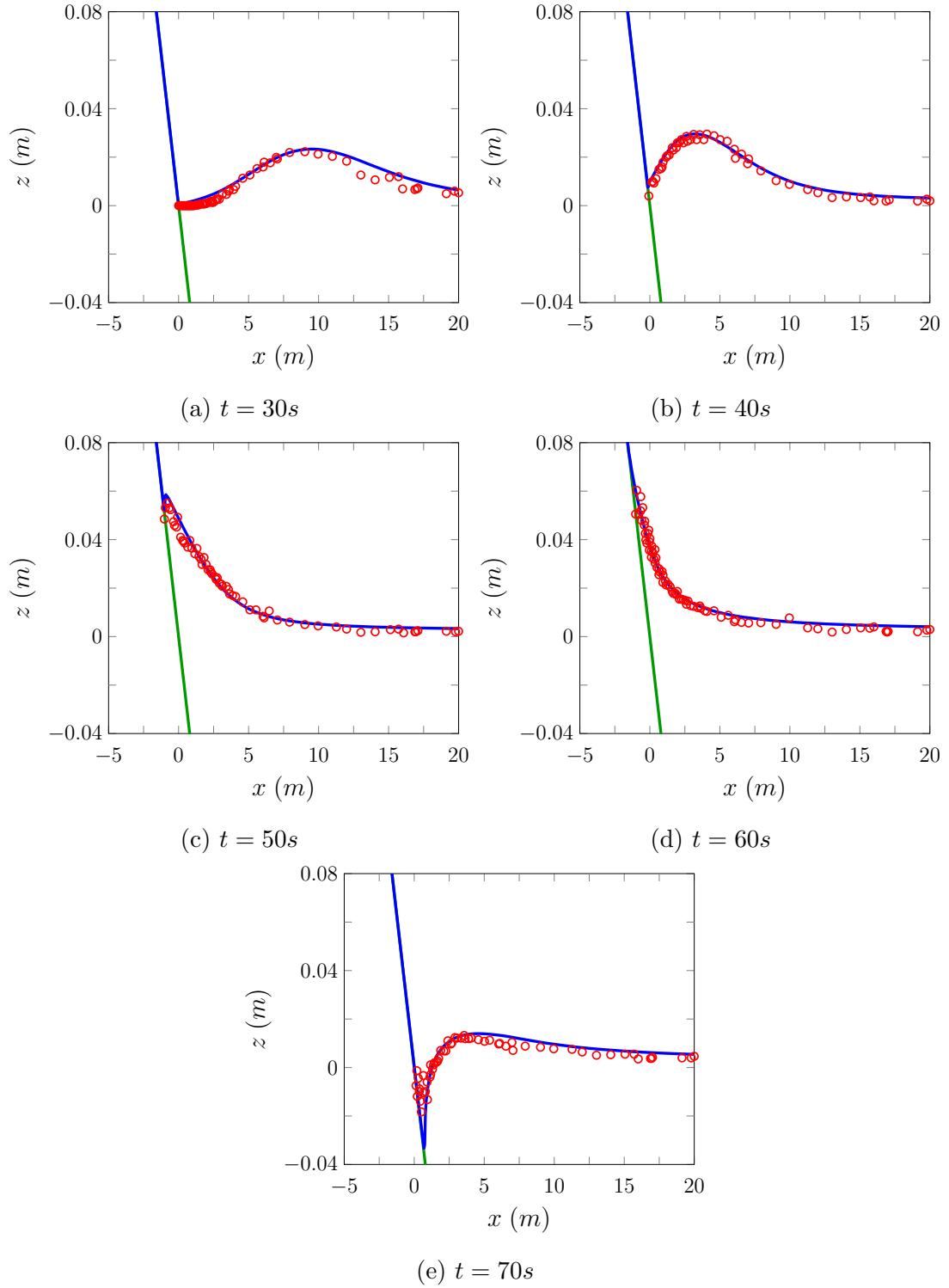


Figure 6.21: FDVM nonbreak times

Appendix A

Finite Element Integrals

We now provide some of the details left out of Chapter 3; the definitions for the basis functions in the ξ space and the other finite element matrices.

A.1 Basis Functions

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$$\psi_{j-1/2}^+ = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}(1-\xi) & -1 \leq \xi \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (\text{A.1})$$

$$\psi_{j+1/2}^- = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}(1+\xi) & -1 \leq \xi \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (\text{A.2})$$

ϕ

$$\phi_{j-1/2} = \begin{cases} 2\left(\xi + \frac{3}{2}\right)(\xi + 2) & -2 \leq \xi \leq -1 \\ \frac{1}{2}\xi(\xi - 1) & -1 \leq \xi \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (\text{A.3})$$

$$\phi_j = \begin{cases} -(\xi - 1)(\xi + 1) & -1 \leq \xi \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (\text{A.4})$$

$$\phi_{j+1/2} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}\xi(\xi + 1) & -1 \leq \xi \leq 1 \\ 2(\xi - 2)(\xi - \frac{3}{2}) & 1 \leq \xi \leq 2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (\text{A.5})$$

$$(\text{A.6})$$

γ

$$\gamma_{j-1/2} = \begin{cases} \frac{9}{2} (\xi + \frac{4}{3}) (\xi + \frac{5}{3}) (\xi + 2) & -2 \leq \xi \leq -1 \\ \frac{9}{16} (\xi - 1) (\xi - \frac{1}{3}) (\xi + \frac{1}{3}) & -1 \leq \xi \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (\text{A.7})$$

$$\gamma_{j-1/6} = \begin{cases} \frac{27}{16} (\xi - 1) (\xi - \frac{1}{3}) (\xi + 1) & -1 \leq \xi \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (\text{A.8})$$

$$\gamma_{j+1/6} = \begin{cases} -\frac{27}{16} (\xi - 1) (\xi + \frac{1}{3}) (\xi + 1) & -1 \leq \xi \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (\text{A.9})$$

$$\gamma_{j-1/2} = \begin{cases} \frac{9}{16} (\xi + 1) (\xi - \frac{1}{3}) (\xi + \frac{1}{3}) & -1 \leq \xi \leq 1 \\ -\frac{9}{2} (\xi - \frac{4}{3}) (\xi - \frac{5}{3}) (\xi - 2) & 1 \leq \xi \leq 2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (\text{A.10})$$

A.2 Matrices for all terms

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\Delta x}{2} \int_{-1}^1 & \left[\left(uh \left(1 + \frac{4}{\Delta x^2} \frac{\partial b}{\partial \xi} \right) - \frac{2}{\Delta x^2} h^2 \frac{\partial b}{\partial \xi} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi} - G \right) \begin{bmatrix} \phi_{j-1/2} \\ \phi_j \\ \phi_{j+1/2} \end{bmatrix} \right. \\ & \left. + \frac{4}{\Delta x^2} \left(\frac{1}{3} h^3 \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi} - \frac{1}{2} h^2 \frac{\partial b}{\partial \xi} u \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \begin{bmatrix} \phi_{j-1/2} \\ \phi_j \\ \phi_{j+1/2} \end{bmatrix} \right] d\xi. \end{aligned}$$

A.2.1 $uh \frac{\partial b}{\partial \xi}^2$

$$\frac{2}{\Delta x} \int_{-1}^1 uh \frac{\partial b}{\partial \xi}^2 \begin{bmatrix} \phi_{j-1/2} \\ \phi_j \\ \phi_{j+1/2} \end{bmatrix} d\xi = \frac{\Delta x}{2} \mathbf{A} \begin{bmatrix} u_{j-1/2} \\ u_j \\ u_{j+1/2} \end{bmatrix}$$

A.2.2 $h^2 \frac{\partial b}{\partial \xi} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi}$

$$\frac{1}{\Delta x} \int_{-1}^1 h^2 \frac{\partial b}{\partial \xi} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi} \begin{bmatrix} \phi_{j-1/2} \\ \phi_j \\ \phi_{j+1/2} \end{bmatrix} d\xi$$

A.2.3 G

$$\frac{\Delta x}{2} \int_{-1}^1 G \begin{bmatrix} \phi_{j-1/2} \\ \phi_j \\ \phi_{j+1/2} \end{bmatrix} d\xi = \frac{\Delta x}{2} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3}G_{j-1/2}^+ \\ \frac{2}{3}G_{j-1/2}^+ + \frac{2}{3}G_{j+1/2}^- \\ \frac{1}{3}G_{j+1/2}^- \end{bmatrix}$$

A.2.4 $h^3 \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi}$

$$\frac{2}{3\Delta x} \int_{-1}^1 h^3 \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi} \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \begin{pmatrix} \phi_{j-1/2} \\ \phi_j \\ \phi_{j+1/2} \end{pmatrix} d\xi.$$

A.2.5 $h^2 \frac{\partial b}{\partial \xi} u$

$$\frac{1}{\Delta x} \int_{-1}^1 h^2 \frac{\partial b}{\partial \xi} u \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \begin{pmatrix} \phi_{j-1/2} \\ \phi_j \\ \phi_{j+1/2} \end{pmatrix} d\xi.$$

Appendix B

Linear Analysis Results

In this appendix we present all the pieces one would need to calculate the Evolution matrix \mathbf{E} for all the methods. For the hybrid FDVM given the results in Chapter 4 for the FEVM it is enough to provide only expressions for some of the operators. While for the FD methods we just present the evolution matrix as its calculation is straightforward given their description by Zoppou et al. [25].

B.1 Evolution Matrices for the Finite Difference Volume Methods

For the FDVM the evolution matrix can be constructed by taking the formulas for the elements of \mathbf{F} from the FEVM and replacing the operators $\mathcal{R}_{j-1/2}^+$, \mathcal{R}_j , $\mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^-$ and \mathcal{G} with the appropriate ones for the FDVM given in Tables B.1, B.2, B.3 and B.4. From \mathbf{F} the appropriate \mathbf{E} is then obtained by using the appropriate formulas given by the Runge-Kutta time stepping in Table B.5.

B.2 Evolution Matrices for the Finite Difference Methods

By using (4.6) all the derivative approximations in the finite difference methods \mathcal{D} and \mathcal{W} can be written as operators that are constant in j and n as was done

Scheme	Expression	Lowest Order Term of Error
FDVM ₁	1	$-\frac{1}{24}k^2\Delta x^2$
FDVM ₂ and FEVM ₂	1	$-\frac{1}{24}k^2\Delta x^2$
FDVM ₃	$\frac{26 - 2 \cos(k\Delta x)}{24}$	$-\frac{3}{640}k^4\Delta x^4$

Table B.1: Factor \mathcal{R}_j from transformation between nodal and cell average values.
Where the analytic value is $\mathcal{R}_j = \frac{k\Delta x}{2 \sin(k\frac{\Delta x}{2})}$.

Scheme	Formula	Lowest Order Term of Error
FDVM ₁	1	$\frac{i}{2}k\Delta x$
FDVM ₂ and FEVM ₂	$\left(1 - \frac{i \sin(k\Delta x)}{2}\right)$	$\frac{1}{12}k^2\Delta x^2$
FDVM ₃	$\frac{1}{6}(5 + 2e^{-ik\Delta x} - e^{ik\Delta x})$	$\frac{i}{12}k^3\Delta x^3$

Table B.2: Factor $\mathcal{R}_{j-1/2}^+$ from reconstruction of η and G at $x_{j+1/2}^+$. Where the analytic value is $\mathcal{R}_{j-1/2}^+ = e^{-ik\Delta x/2} \frac{k\Delta x}{2 \sin(k\frac{\Delta x}{2})}$.

Scheme	Expression	Lowest Order Term of Error
FDVM ₁	1	$-\frac{i}{2}k\Delta x$
FDVM ₂ and FEVM ₂	$1 + \frac{i \sin(k\Delta x)}{2}$	$\frac{1}{12}k^2\Delta x^2$
FDVM ₃	$\frac{1}{6}(5 - e^{-ik\Delta x} + 2e^{ik\Delta x})$	$-\frac{i}{12}k^3\Delta x^3$

Table B.3: Factor $\mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^-$ from reconstruction of η and G at $x_{j+1/2}^-$. Where the analytic value is $\mathcal{R}_{j+1/2}^- = e^{ik\Delta x/2} \frac{k\Delta x}{2 \sin(\frac{k\Delta x}{2})}$.

Scheme	Expression	Lowest Order Term of Error
FDVM ₁	$\frac{3\Delta x^2 \left(\frac{1+e^{ik\Delta x}}{2} \right)}{3\Delta x^2 H - H^3 (2 \cos(k\Delta x) - 2)}$	$-\frac{6 + H^2 k^2}{4H (3 + H^2 k^2)^2} k^2 \Delta x^2$
FDVM ₂	$\frac{3\Delta x^2 \left(\frac{1+e^{ik\Delta x}}{2} \right)}{3\Delta x^2 H - H^3 (2 \cos(k\Delta x) - 2)}$	$-\frac{6 + H^2 k^2}{4H (3 + H^2 k^2)^2} k^2 \Delta x^2$
FEVM ₂	$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{\Delta x}{6} \left(1 + \frac{i \sin(k\Delta x)}{2} + e^{ik\Delta x} \left(1 - \frac{i \sin(k\Delta x)}{2} \right) \right) \right) \\ & \div \left(H \frac{\Delta x}{30} \left(2 \left(2 \cos \left(\frac{k\Delta x}{2} \right) - \cos(k\Delta x) + 4 \right) \right) \right. \\ & \left. + \frac{H^3}{9\Delta x} \left(-16 \cos \left(\frac{k\Delta x}{2} \right) + 2 \cos(k\Delta x) + 14 \right) \right) \end{aligned}$	$\frac{12 + 5H^2 k^2}{40H (3 + H^2 k^2)^2} k^2 \Delta x^2$
FDVM ₃	$\frac{36\Delta x^2 \left(\frac{-e^{-ik\Delta x} + 9e^{ik\Delta x} - e^{2ik\Delta x} + 9}{16} \right)}{36\Delta x^2 H - H^3 (32 \cos(k\Delta x) - 2 \cos(2k\Delta x) - 30)}$	$-\frac{243 + 49H^2 k^2}{960H (3 + H^2 k^2)^2} k^4 \Delta x^4$

Table B.4: Factor \mathcal{G} from solving the elliptic equation (4.3c) for $v_{j+1/2}$. Where the analytic value is $\mathcal{G} = \frac{3}{3H + H^3 k^2} \frac{1}{e^{-ik\Delta x/2}} \frac{k\Delta x}{2 \sin(\frac{k\Delta x}{2})}$.

Order	Formula for \mathbf{E}
First	$\mathbf{I} - \Delta t \mathbf{F}$
Second	$\mathbf{I} - \Delta t \mathbf{F} + \frac{1}{2} \Delta t^2 \mathbf{F}^2$
Third	$\mathbf{I} - \Delta t \mathbf{F} + \frac{1}{2} \Delta t^2 \mathbf{F}^2 - \frac{1}{6} \Delta t^3 \mathbf{F}^3$

Table B.5: Formula for \mathbf{E} given \mathbf{F} determined by the SSP Runge-Kutta timestepping method.

for the hybrid methods. Doing this we get that the evolution matrix for \mathcal{D} is

$$\mathbf{E} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{2i\Delta t}{\Delta x} U \sin(k\Delta x) & -\frac{2i\Delta t}{\Delta x} H \sin(k\Delta x) & 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{6gi\Delta x\Delta t}{3\Delta x^2 - 2H^2(\cos(k\Delta x) - 1)} \sin(k\Delta x) & -\frac{2i\Delta t}{\Delta x} U \sin(k\Delta x) & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

While for \mathcal{W} we get that evolution matrix is

$$\mathbf{E} = \begin{bmatrix} E_{0,0} & E_{0,1} & 0 & -\frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} H \frac{i \sin(k\Delta x)}{2} \\ E_{1,0} & -\frac{2i\Delta t}{\Delta x} U \sin(k\Delta x) & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{B.1})$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} E_{0,0} &= 1 - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \left(-\frac{6gi\Delta x\Delta t}{3\Delta x^2 - 2H^2(\cos(k\Delta x) - 1)} \sin(k\Delta x) \right) H \frac{i \sin(k\Delta x)}{2} \\ &\quad - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} U \left((i \sin(k\Delta x)) - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} U (\cos(k\Delta x) - 1) \right), \\ E_{0,1} &= -\frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \left[H \frac{i \sin(k\Delta x)}{2} \left(1 - \frac{2i\Delta t}{\Delta x} U \sin(k\Delta x) \right) - U \left(\frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} H (\cos(k\Delta x) - 1) \right) \right], \\ E_{1,0} &= -\frac{6gi\Delta x\Delta t}{3\Delta x^2 - 2H^2(\cos(k\Delta x) - 1)} \sin(k\Delta x). \end{aligned}$$

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