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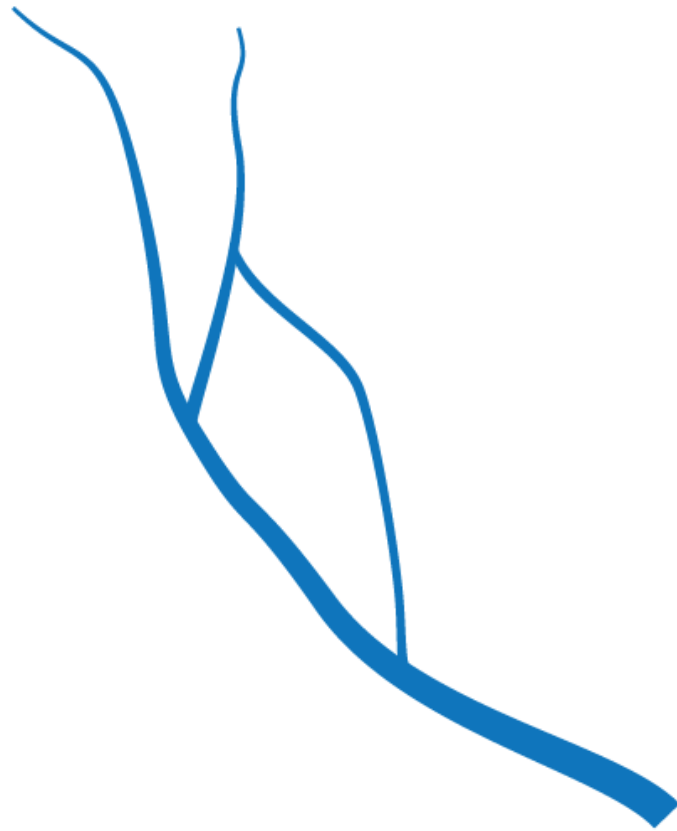
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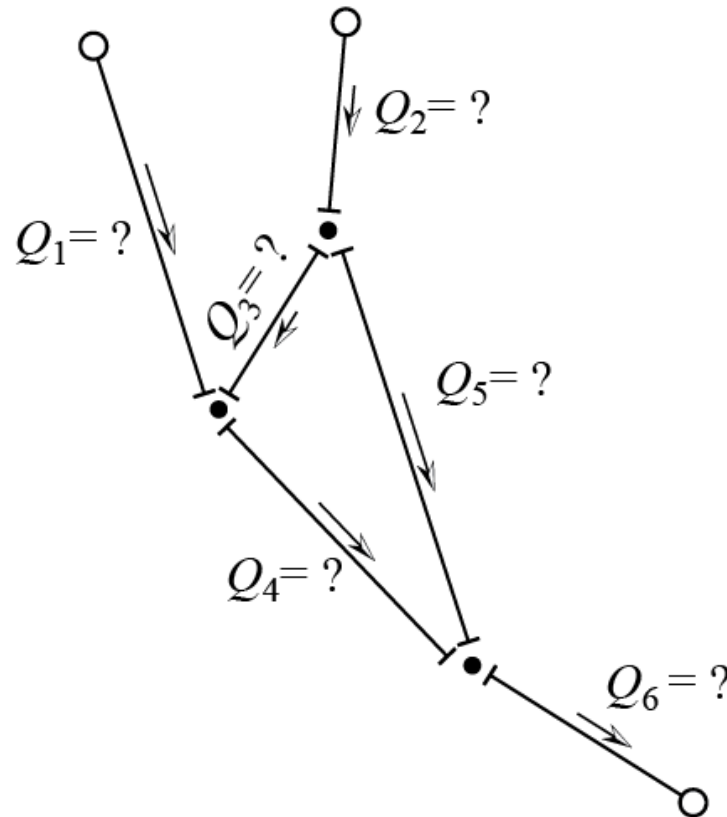
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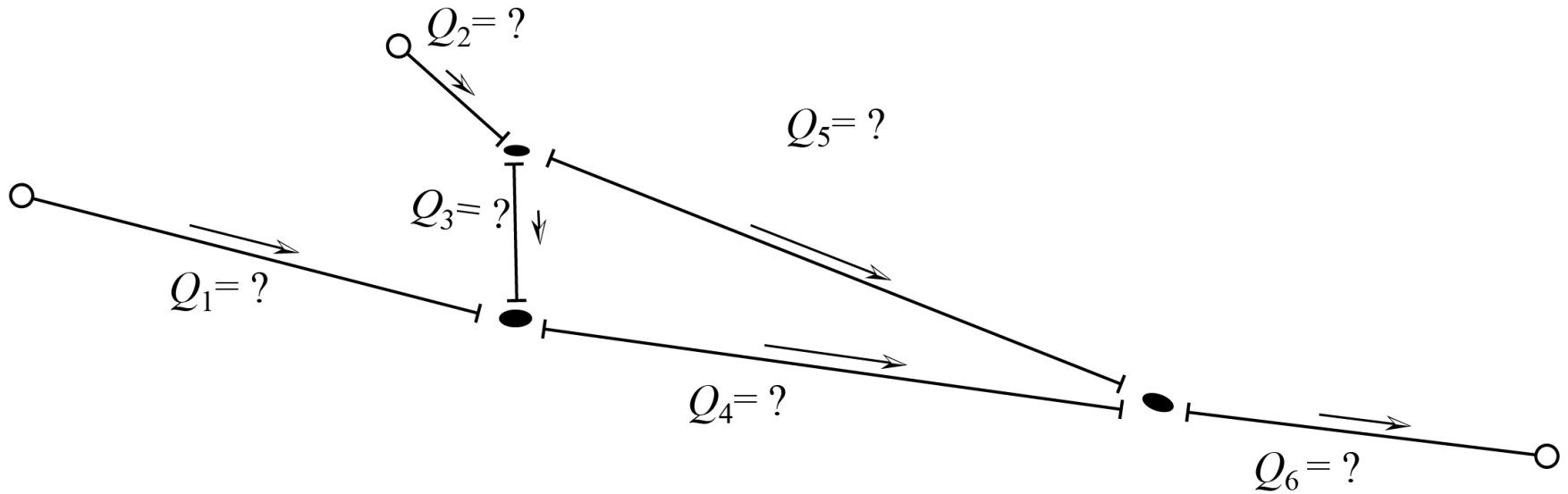


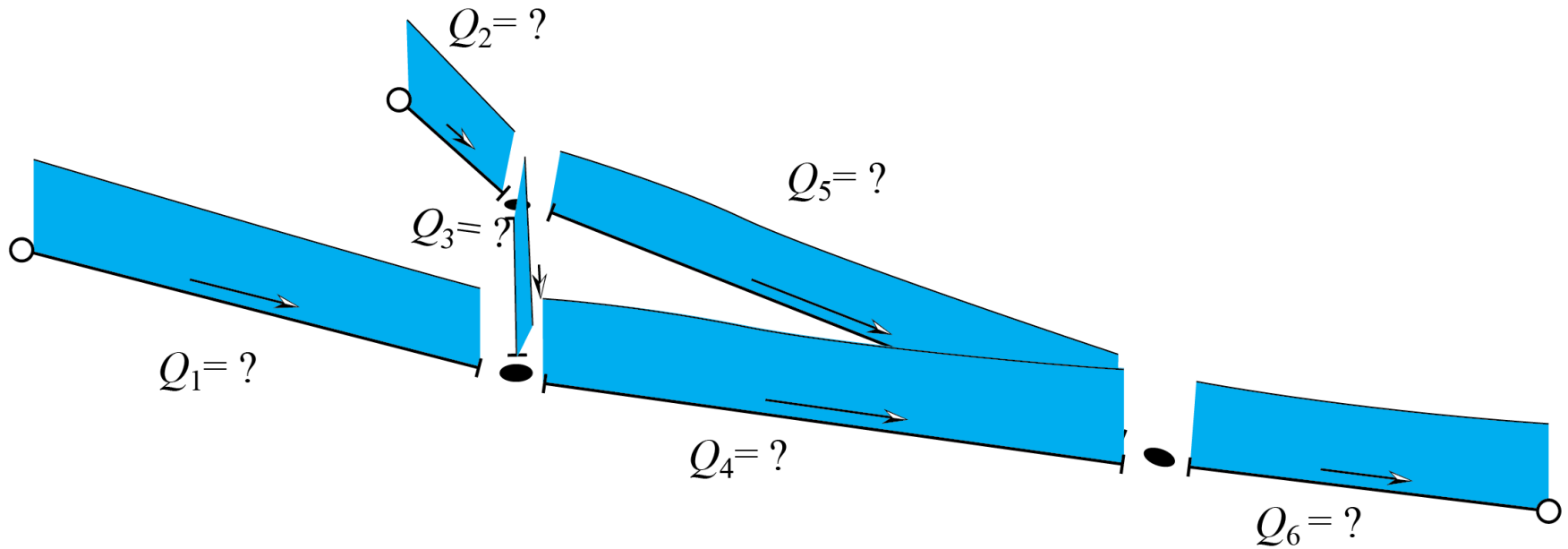
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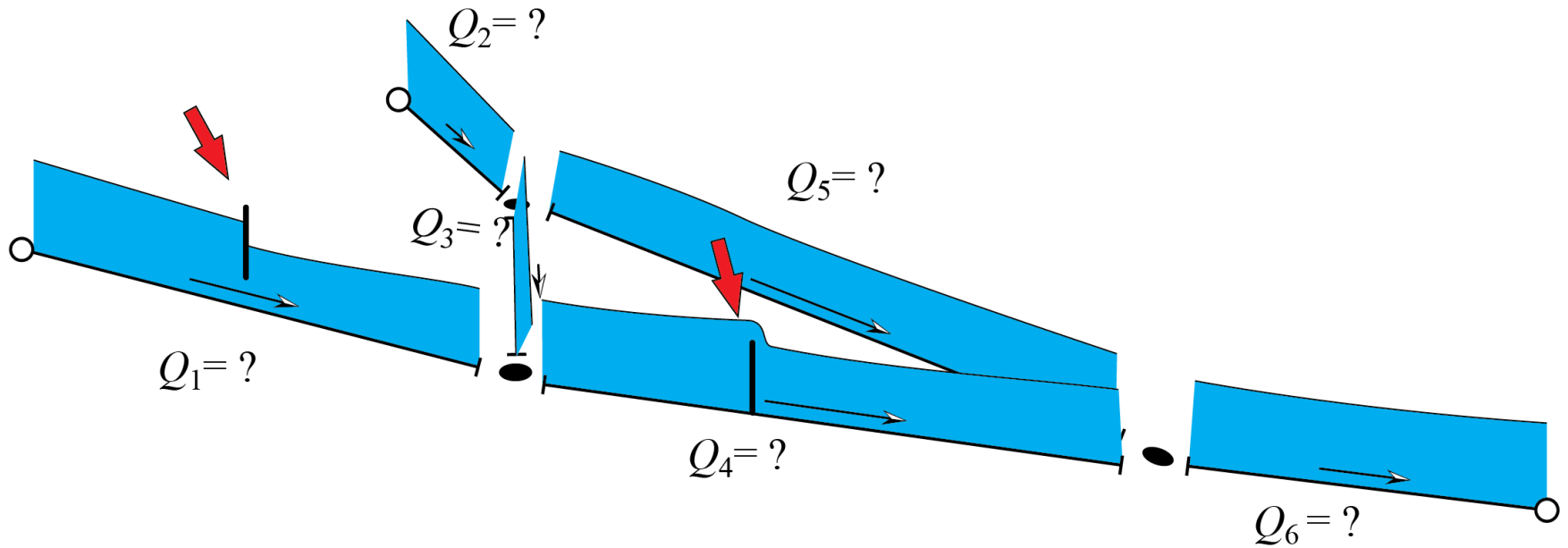
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Steady gradually varied flow governing equation

$$\frac{dE}{dx} = -S$$

where

x – spatial coordinate [L]

E – height of the mechanical energy of the flow [L]

S – the longitudinal slope of the mechanical energy [-]



Mechanical energy

$$E = h + \frac{\alpha \cdot Q^2}{2g \cdot A^2}$$

Energy slope

$$S = \frac{n^2 \cdot Q^2}{A^2 \cdot R^{4/3}}$$

h – water stage level [L]

α – energy correctional coefficient [-]

Q – flow discharge [L^3/T]

n – Manning's roughness coefficient [$T/L^{1/3}$]

g – gravitational acceleration [L^2/T]

A – active flow area [L^2]

R – hydraulic radius [L]



Steady gradually varied flow governing equation

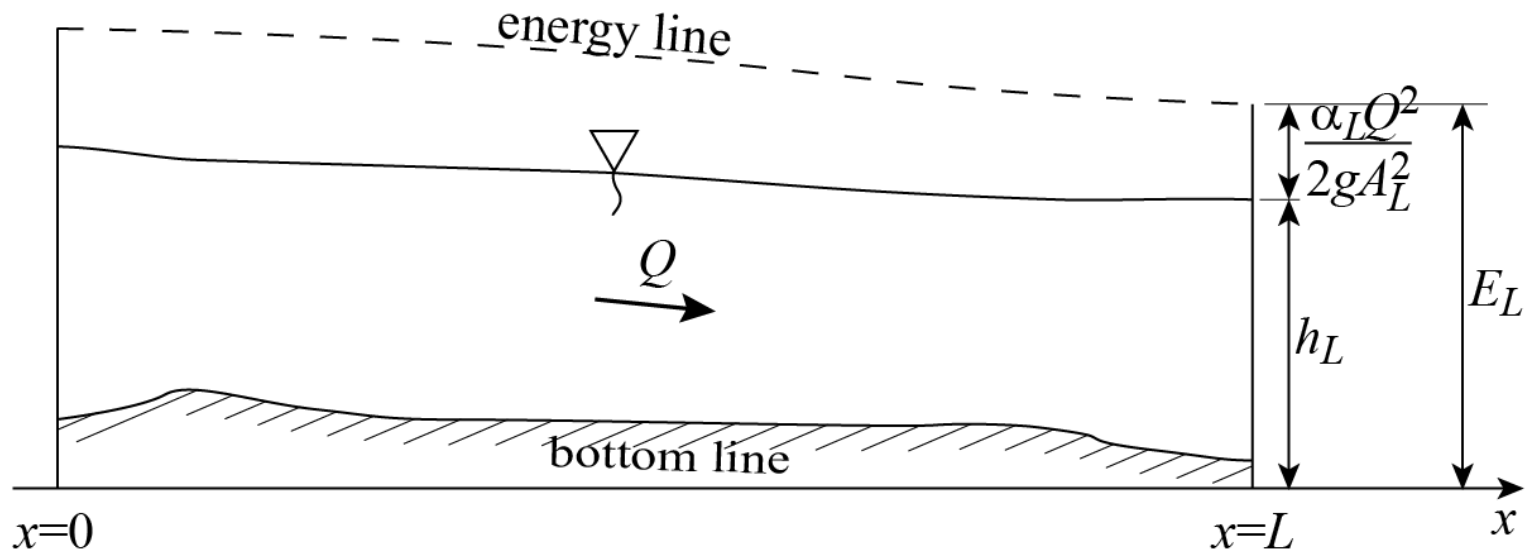
$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(h + \frac{\alpha \cdot Q^2}{2g \cdot A^2} \right) = - \frac{n^2 \cdot Q^2}{A^2 \cdot R^{4/3}}$$



Initial value problem for ODE

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(h + \frac{\alpha \cdot Q^2}{2g \cdot A^2} \right) = - \frac{Q^2 \cdot n^2}{A^2 \cdot R^{4/3}} \quad \text{with} \quad E(x=L) = E_L$$

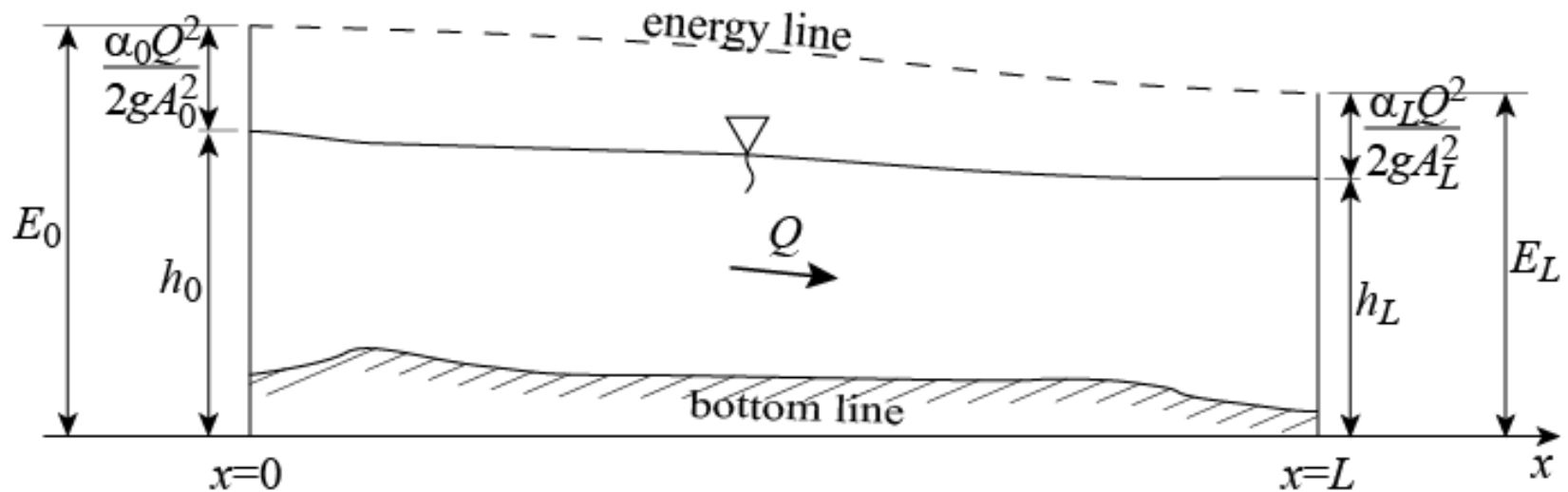
← direction of integration





Boundary problem for energy equation

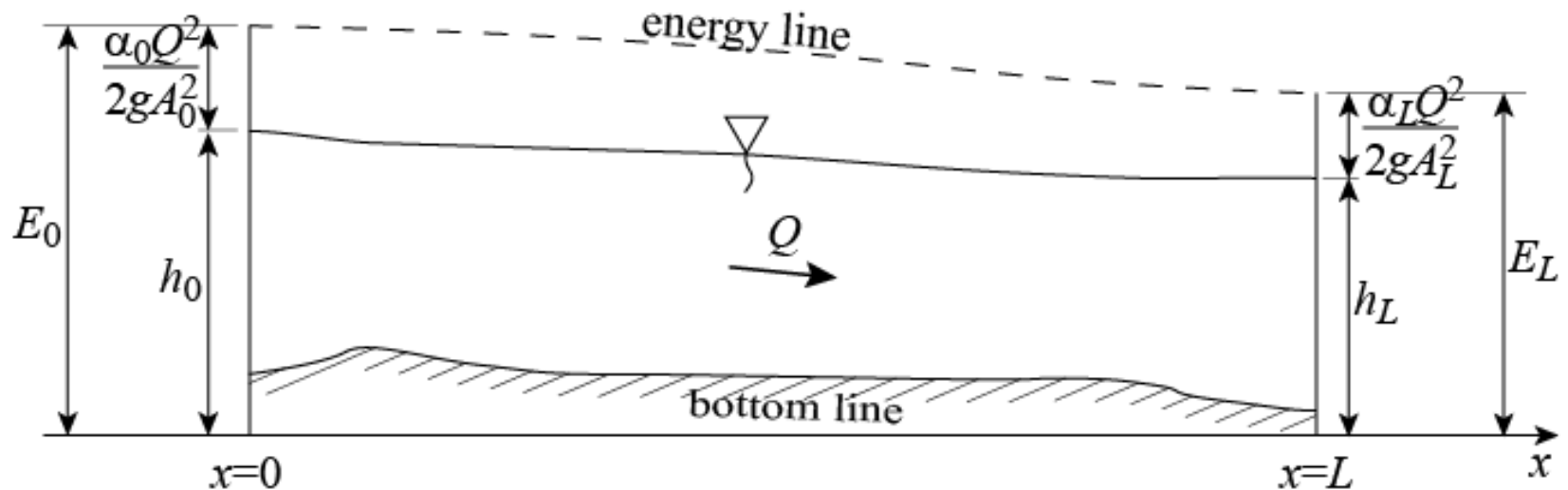
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{dQ}{dx} = 0 \\ \frac{dE}{dx} = -S \end{array} \right. \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{array}{l} E(x=0) = E_0 \\ E(x=L) = E_L \end{array}$$





Boundary problem for energy equation

$$\begin{cases} Q = \text{const.} \\ \frac{dE}{dx} = -S \end{cases} \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{cases} E(x=0) = E_0 \\ E(x=L) = E_L \end{cases}$$





Solution of the boundary problem for ODE

- the shooting method
- the finite difference method

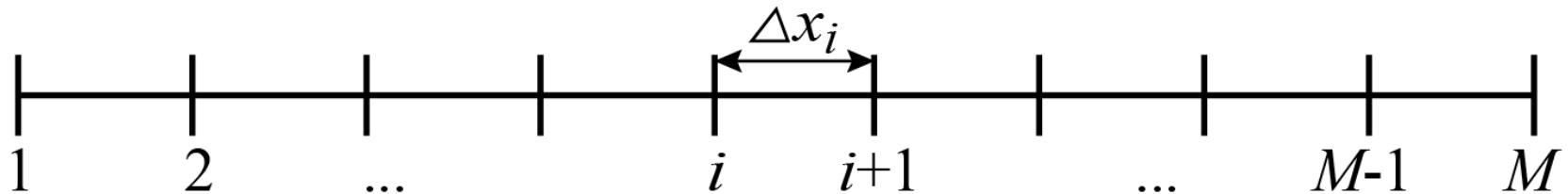


Solution of the boundary problem for ODE

- **the shooting method** - repetitive solution of initial value problems
- **the finite difference method** – unified and generalized problem formulation and its solution



Discretization of the channel



Discrete approximation of the energy equation

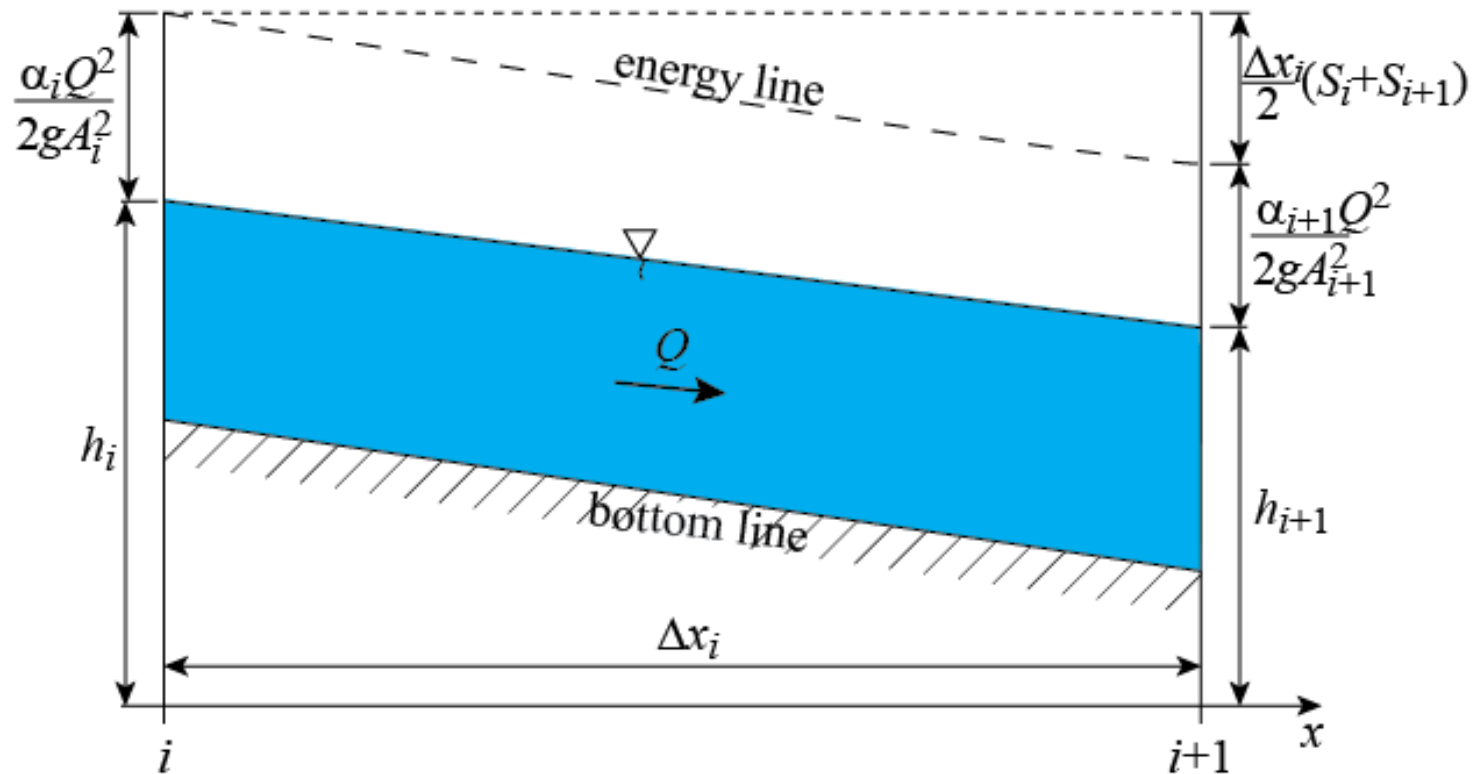
$$E_{i+1} - E_i + \frac{\Delta x_i}{2} (S_i + S_{i+1}) = 0$$
$$i = 1, \dots, M - 1$$

Δx_i - distance between i^{th} and $(i+1)^{\text{th}}$ cross-section

i - computational cross-section index

M - number of computational cross-sections

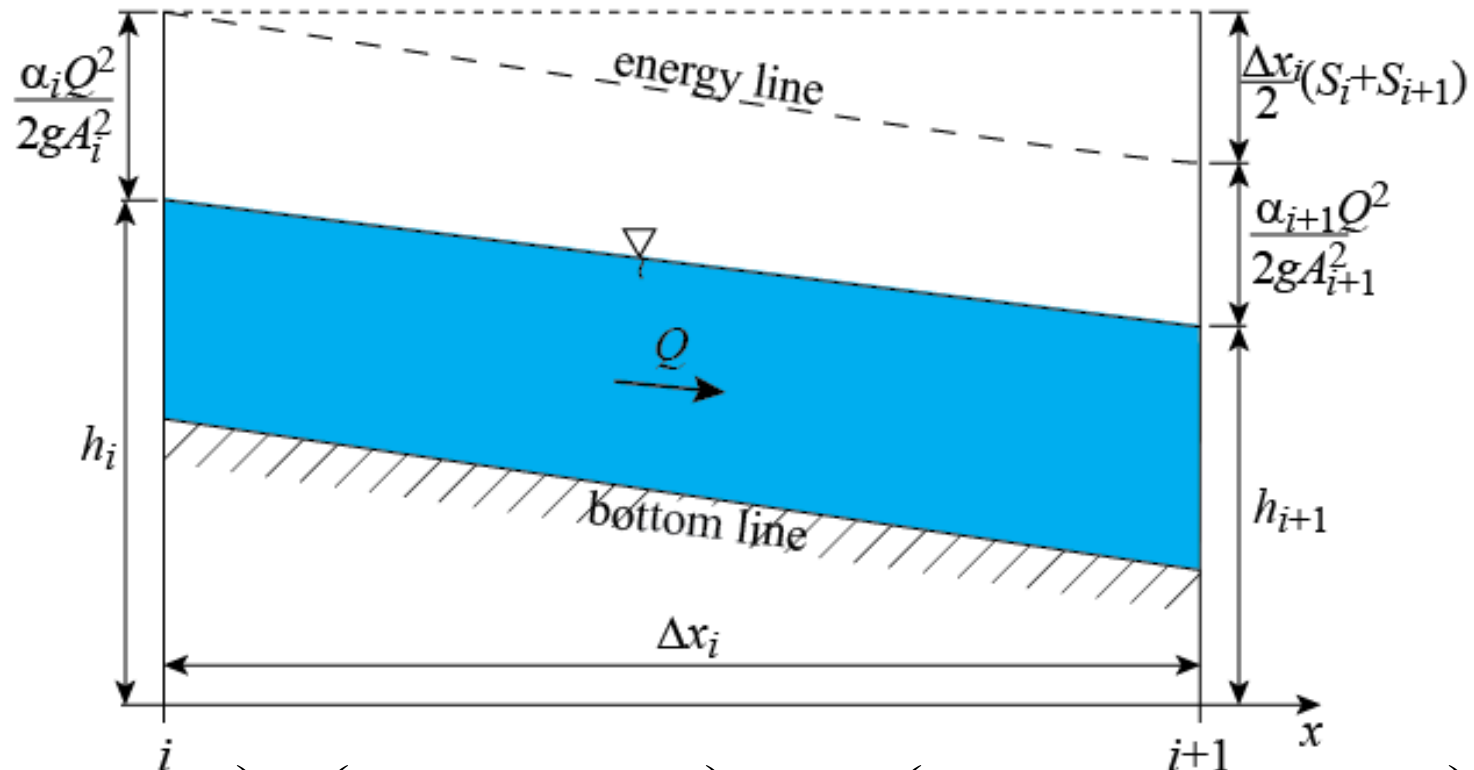
Discrete form of energy equation interpretation



$$E_{i+1} - E_i + \frac{\Delta x_i}{2}(S_i + S_{i+1}) = 0$$



Discrete form of energy equation interpretation

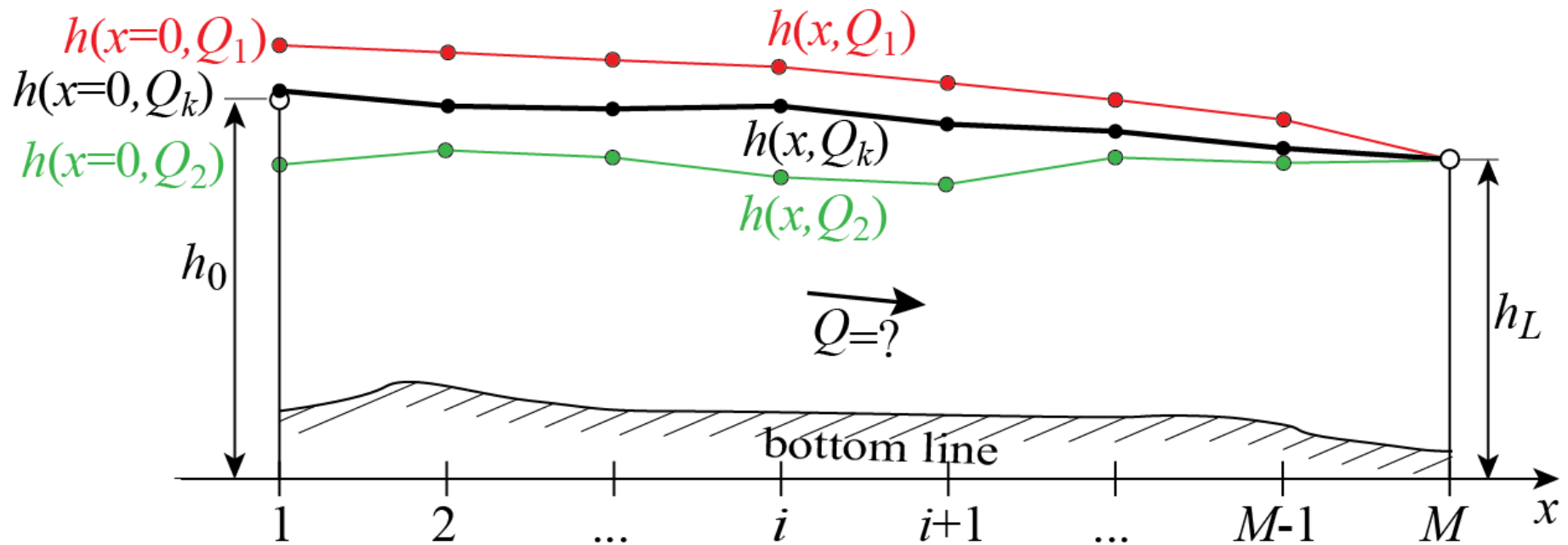


$$-\left(h_i + \frac{\alpha_i \cdot Q^2}{2g \cdot A_i^2}\right) + \left(h_{i+1} + \frac{\alpha_{i+1} \cdot Q^2}{2g \cdot A_{i+1}^2}\right) + \frac{\Delta x_i}{2} \left(\frac{Q^2 \cdot n_i^2}{A_i^2 \cdot R_i^{4/3}} + \frac{Q^2 \cdot n_{i+1}^2}{A_{i+1}^2 \cdot R_{i+1}^{4/3}}\right) = 0$$



Shooting method approach

Solution of the set of initial value problems for the energy equation





Finite difference method approach

Formulation and solution of the system of equations

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$$

Unknowns

- water stage levels at each cross-section

$$h_i \quad (i = 1, \dots, M)$$

- flow discharge

$$Q$$



Including the flow direction

$$-\left(h_i + \frac{\alpha_i \cdot Q^2}{2g \cdot A_i^2}\right) + \left(h_{i+1} + \frac{\alpha_{i+1} \cdot Q^2}{2g \cdot A_{i+1}^2}\right) + \frac{\Delta x_i}{2} \left(\frac{Q^2 \cdot n_i^2}{A_i^2 \cdot R_i^{4/3}} + \frac{Q^2 \cdot n_{i+1}^2}{A_{i+1}^2 \cdot R_{i+1}^{4/3}}\right) = 0$$



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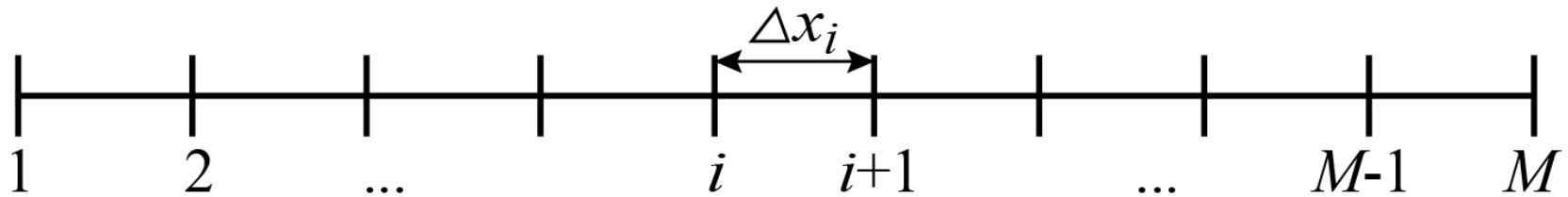
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System of non-linear algebraic equations



$$\begin{cases} h_1 = h_0 \\ -\left(h_i + \frac{\alpha_i \cdot Q^2}{2g \cdot A_i^2} \right) + \left(h_{i+1} + \frac{\alpha_{i+1} \cdot Q^2}{2g \cdot A_{i+1}^2} \right) + \frac{\Delta x_i}{2} \left(\frac{Q \cdot |Q| \cdot n_i^2}{A_i^2 \cdot R_i^{4/3}} + \frac{Q \cdot |Q| \cdot n_{i+1}^2}{A_{i+1}^2 \cdot R_{i+1}^{4/3}} \right) = 0 \\ h_M = h_L \end{cases} \quad i = 1, \dots, M - 1$$



Solution of non-linear system of algebraic equations

Modified Picard's method

$$\mathbf{A}^* \cdot \mathbf{x}^{(k+1)} = \mathbf{b}$$

$$\mathbf{A}^* = \mathbf{A} \left(\frac{\mathbf{x}^{(k-1)} + \mathbf{x}^{(k)}}{2} \right)$$



End of the iterative procedure

$$|h_i^{(k+1)} - h_i^{(k)}| < \varepsilon_h \quad i = 1, \dots, M - 1$$

$$|Q^{(k+1)} - Q^{(k)}| < \varepsilon_Q$$

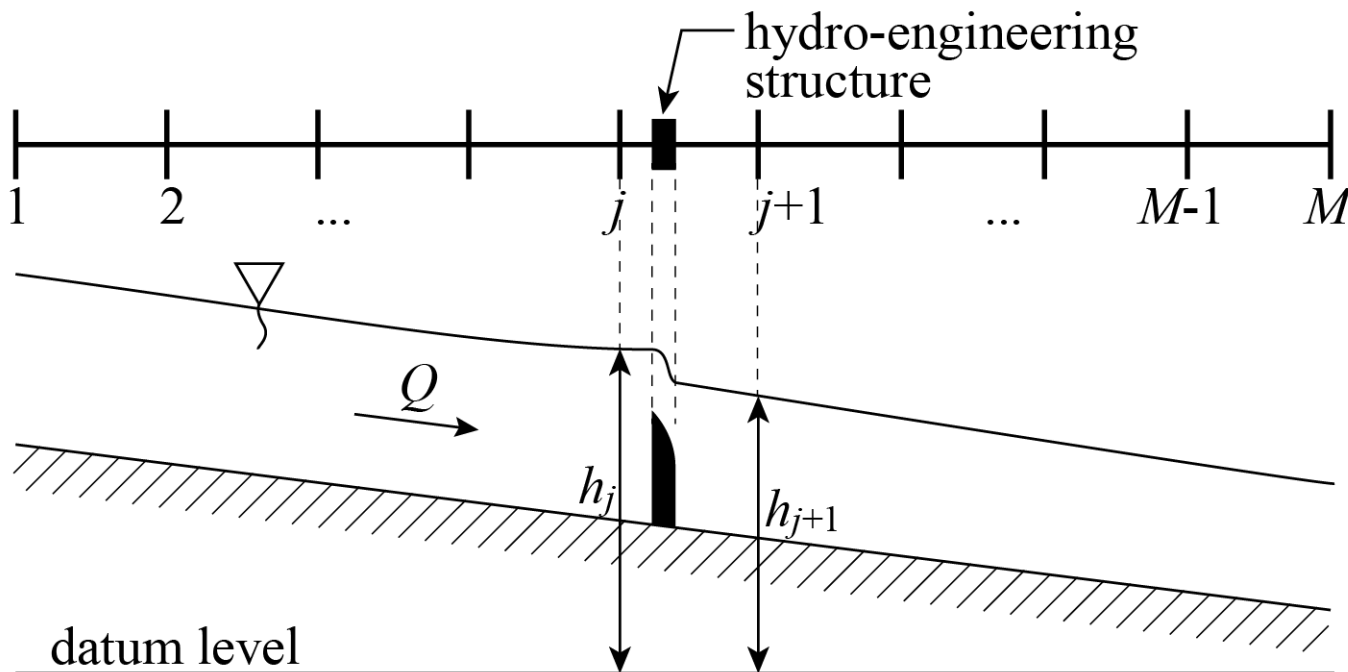
ε_h – water stage solution accuracy

ε_Q – flow discharge solution accuracy

k – iteration index



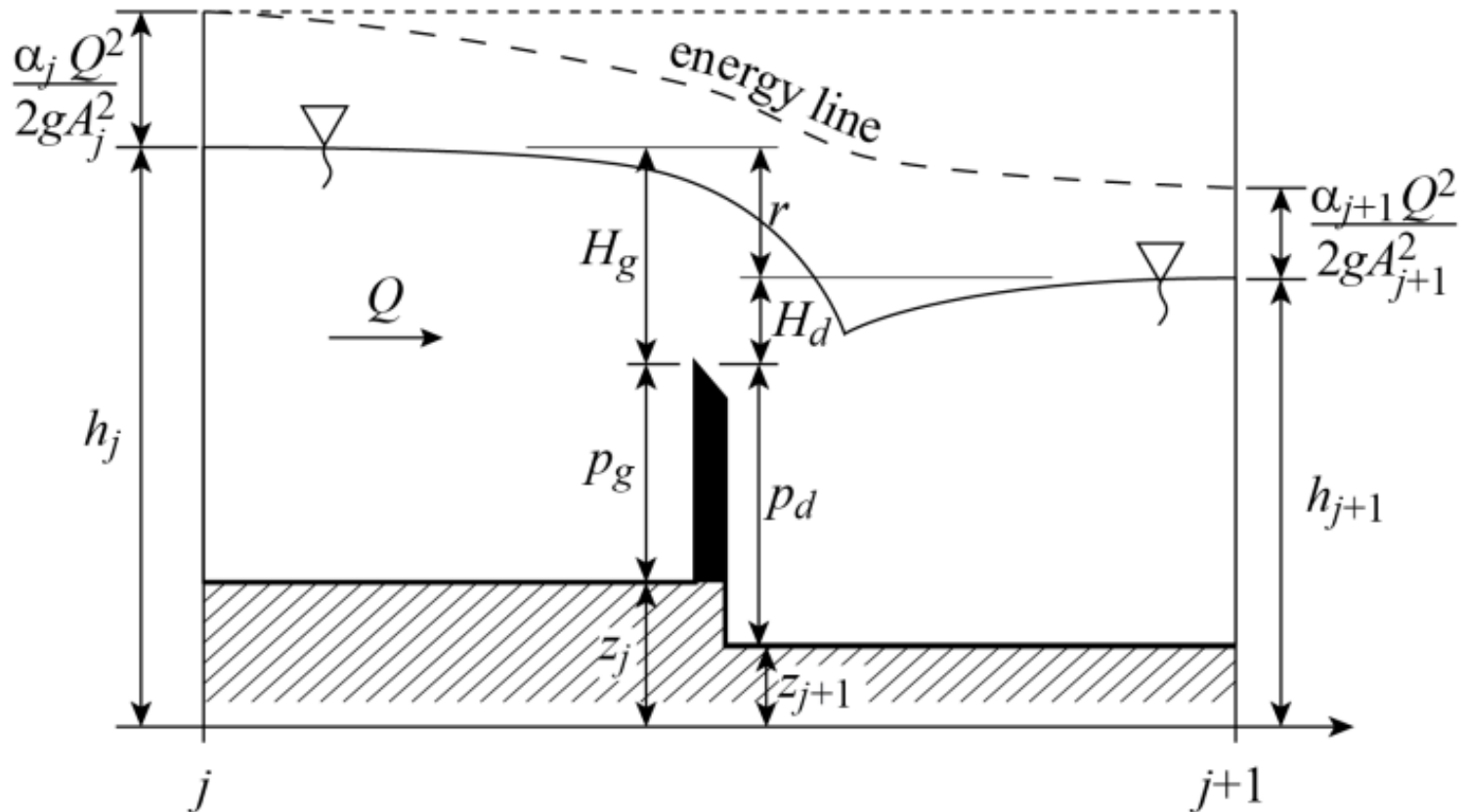
Including a hydraulic structure



$$Q = Q(h_j, h_{j+1})$$



An example: weir





Rectangular weir discharge formula

$$Q = \frac{2}{3} \mu \cdot B \cdot \sqrt{2g} \left[\left(H_g + \frac{\alpha_j \cdot Q^2}{2g \cdot A_j^2} \right)^{3/2} - \left(\frac{\alpha_j \cdot Q^2}{2g \cdot A_j^2} \right)^{3/2} \right] \cdot \sigma$$

$$\sigma = 1.05 \cdot \left(1 + 0.02 \frac{H_d}{p_d} \right) \sqrt[3]{\frac{H_g - H_d}{H_g}}$$

μ – weir discharge coefficient [-]

σ – submersion coefficient [-]

B – weir width [L]

H_g – water level above the crest before the weir [L]

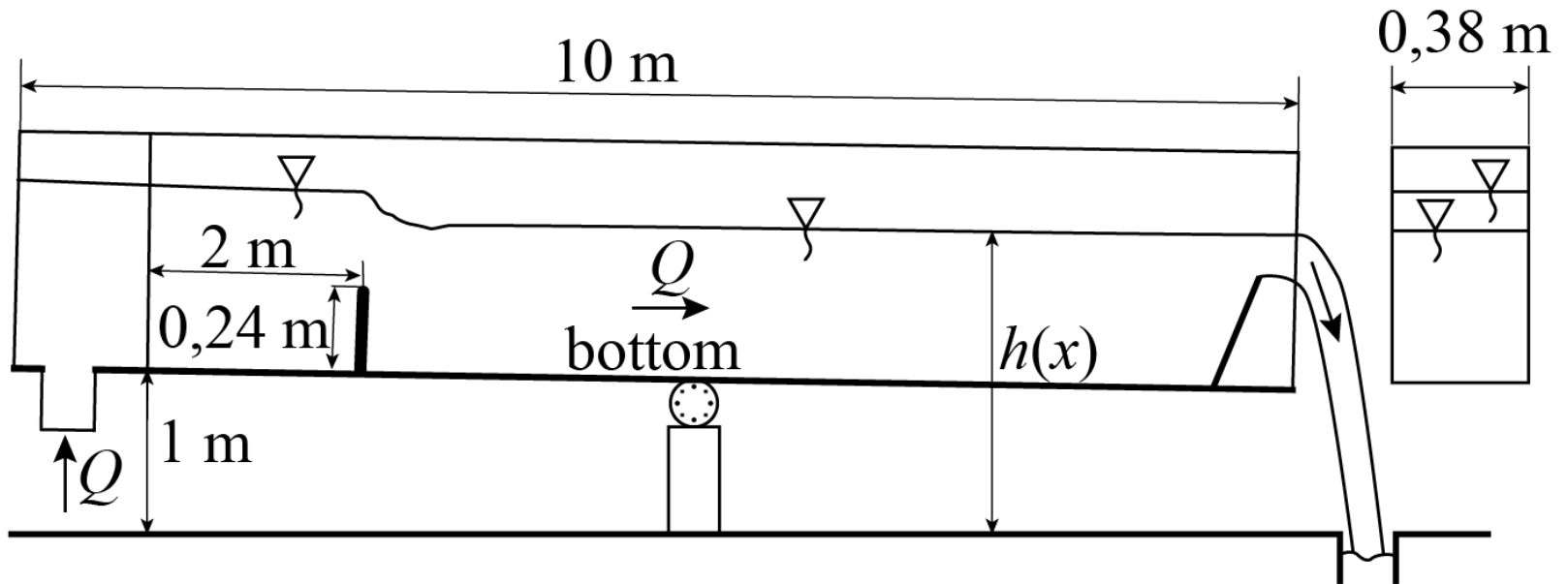
H_d – water level above the crest behind the weir [L]

p_g – crest level over the bottom before the weir [L]

p_d – crest level over the bottom behind the weir [L]



Physical experiment



$$s = 0.001745$$

$$Q = 0.0133 \text{ m}^3 / \text{s}$$

$$n = 0.0185 \text{ s} / \text{m}^{1/3}$$

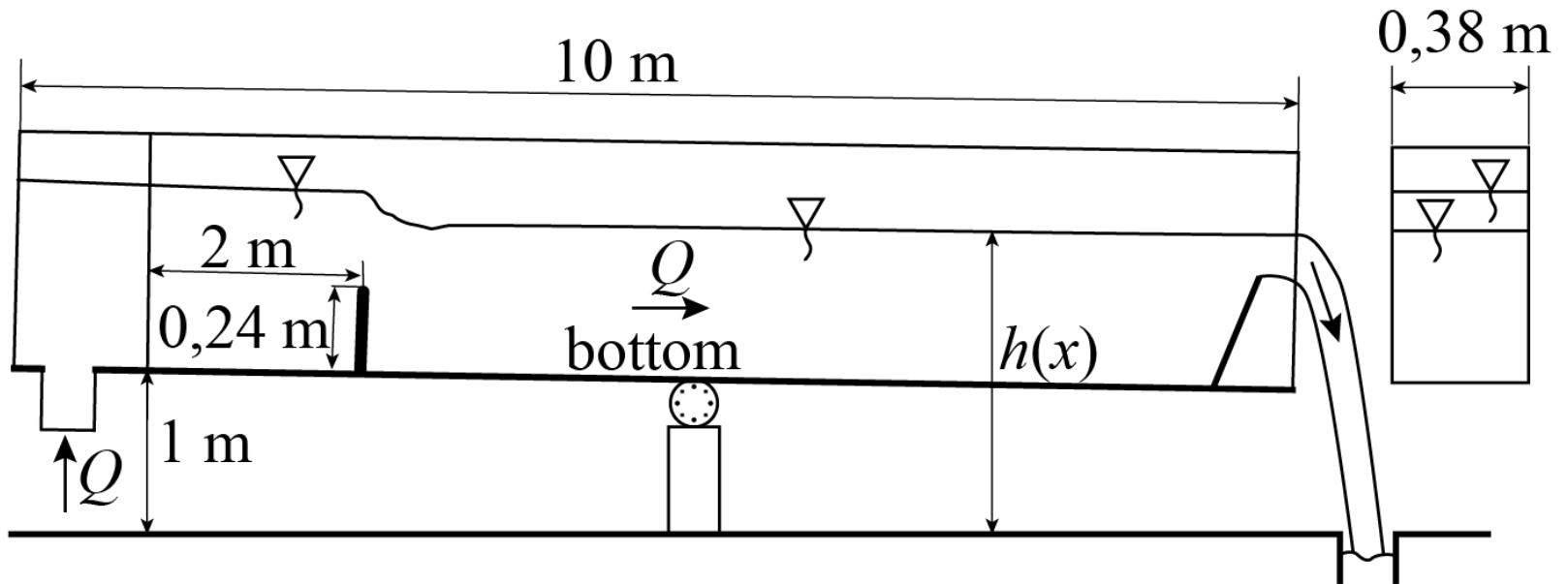
$$h_0 = 1.31 \text{ m}$$

$$p_g = p_d = 0.24 \text{ m}$$

$$h_L = 1.26 \text{ m}$$



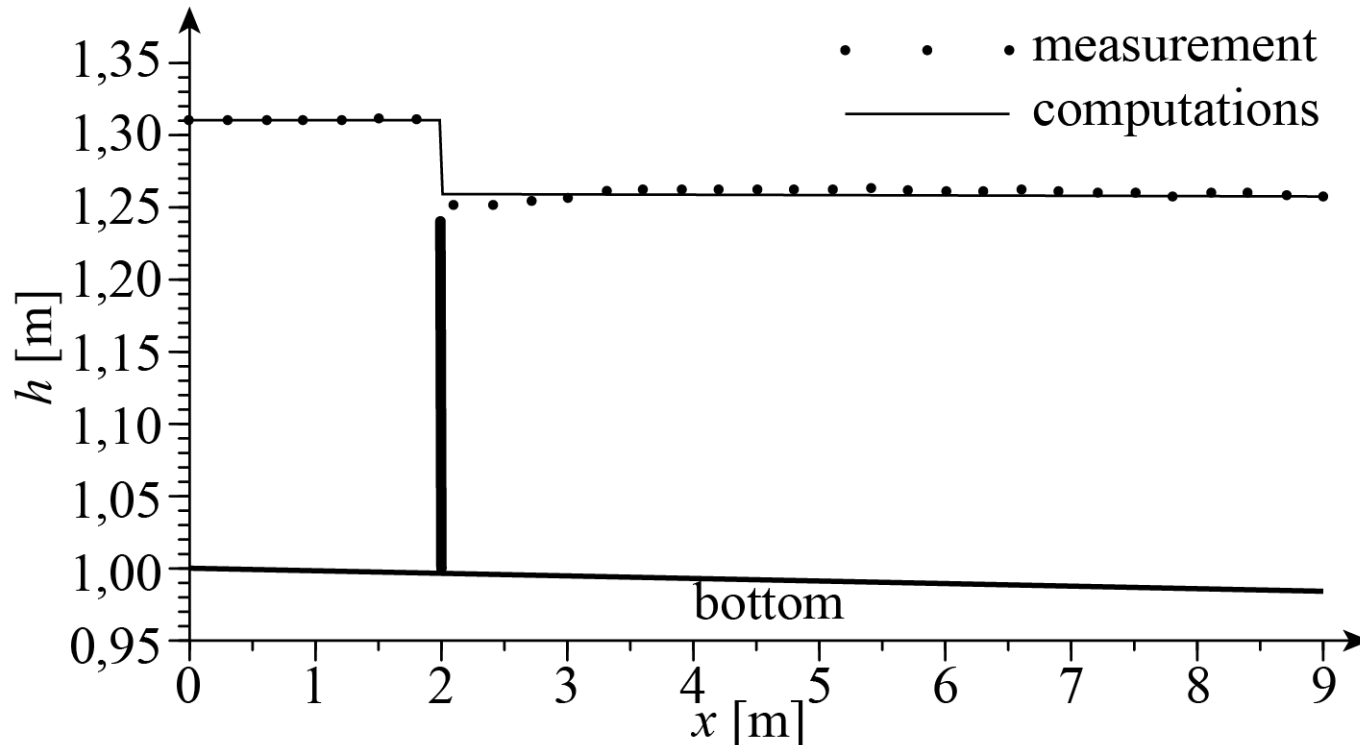
Physical experiment



$$\mu_{ovf} = 0.615 \cdot \left(1 + \frac{1}{1000 \cdot H_g + 1.6} \right) \left[1 + 0.5 \left(\frac{H_g}{H_g + p_g} \right)^2 \right]$$



Measurement vs. computation output



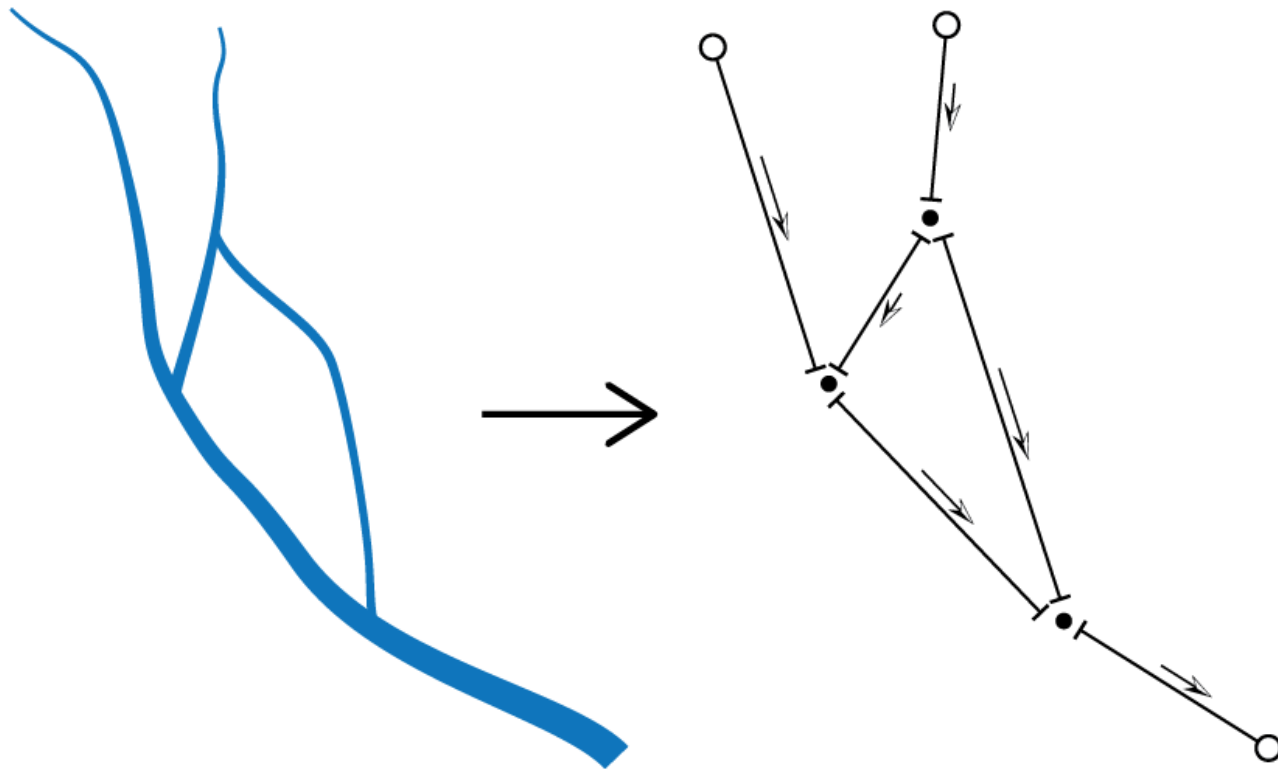
$$Q_{measured} = 0.0133 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{s}}$$

$$Q_{computed} = 0.0142 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{s}}$$

$$\varepsilon = 6.76\%$$

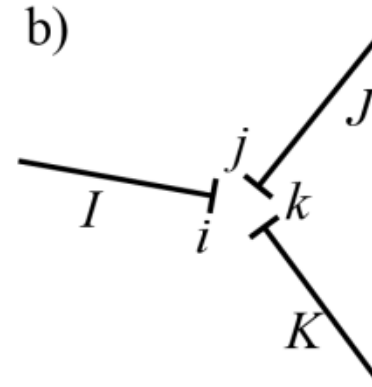
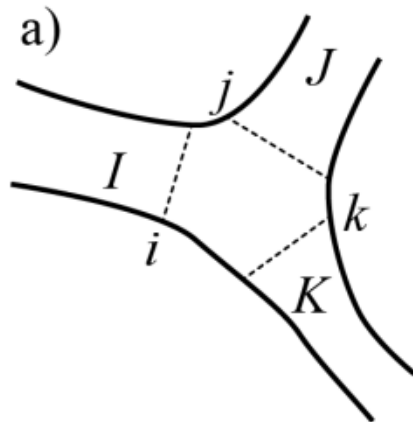


Channel networks





Channel network junctions

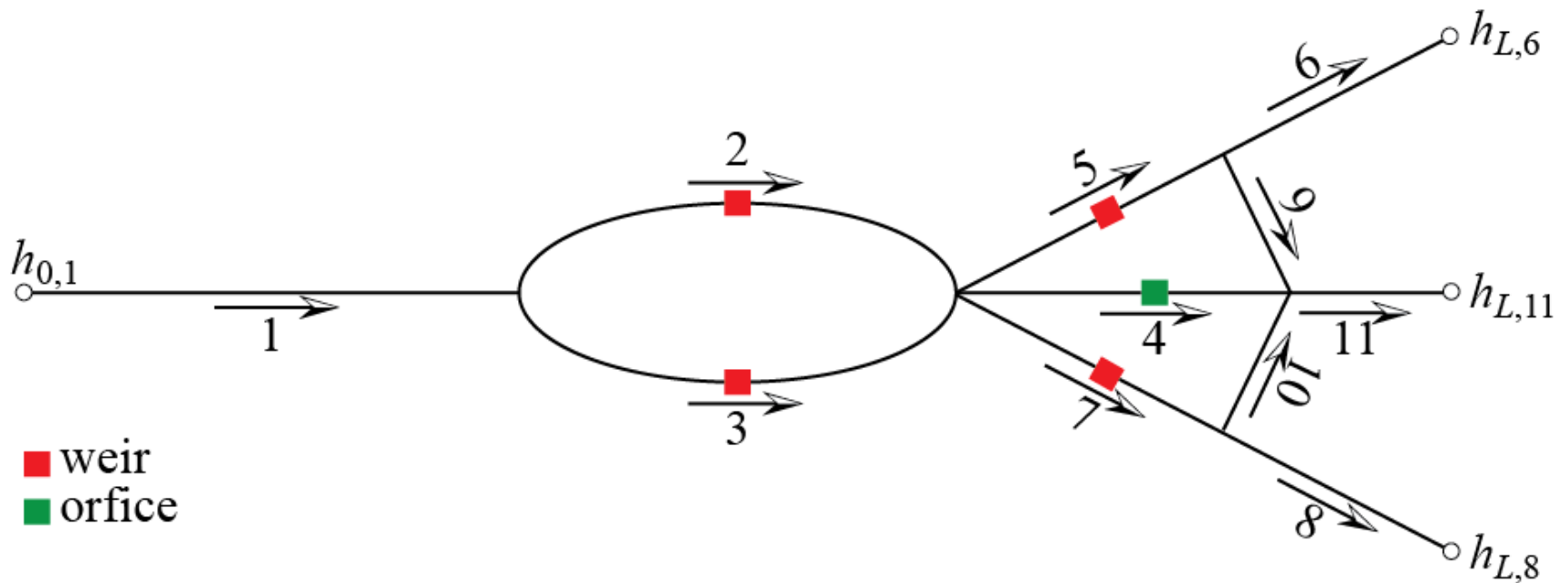


$$\sum_P Q_P = 0$$

$$h_i + \frac{\alpha_i \cdot Q_I^2}{2g \cdot A_i^2} = h_j + \frac{\alpha_j \cdot Q_J^2}{2g \cdot A_j^2} = h_k + \frac{\alpha_k \cdot Q_K^2}{2g \cdot A_k^2}$$



Numerical experiment





Channel network properties

No.	s [-]	L [m]
1	0.0001	2000
2	0.0001	1000
3	0.0001	1000
4	0.0001	1500
5	0.0001333	1500
6	0.0001	1500
7	0.0001333	1500
8	0.0001	1500
9	- 0.00005	1000
10	- 0.00005	1000
11	0.0002	1000

weir properties

$$B_{wr} = 5 \text{ m}$$

$$p_{g,wr} = p_{d,wr} = 1 \text{ m}$$

orifice properties

$$B_{orf} = 2.5 \text{ m}$$

$$D_{orf} = 0.3 \text{ m}$$

$$\mu_{orf} = 0.67$$

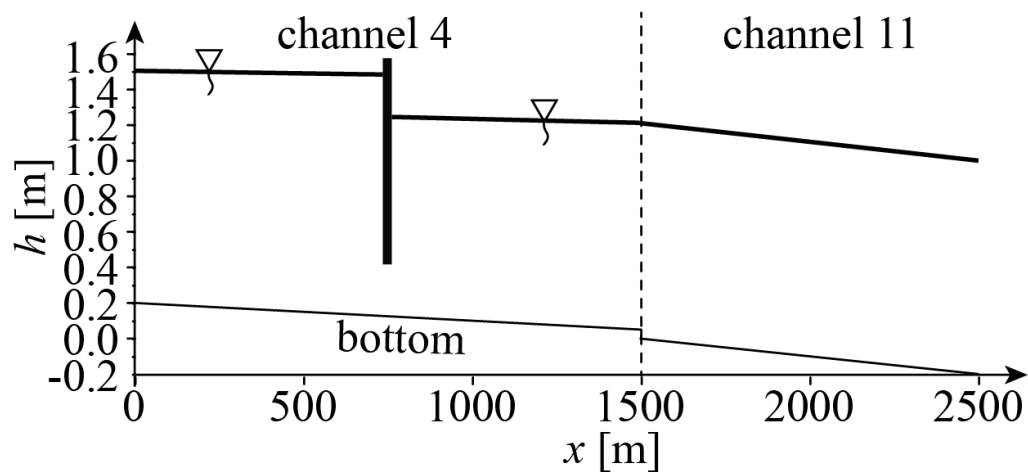
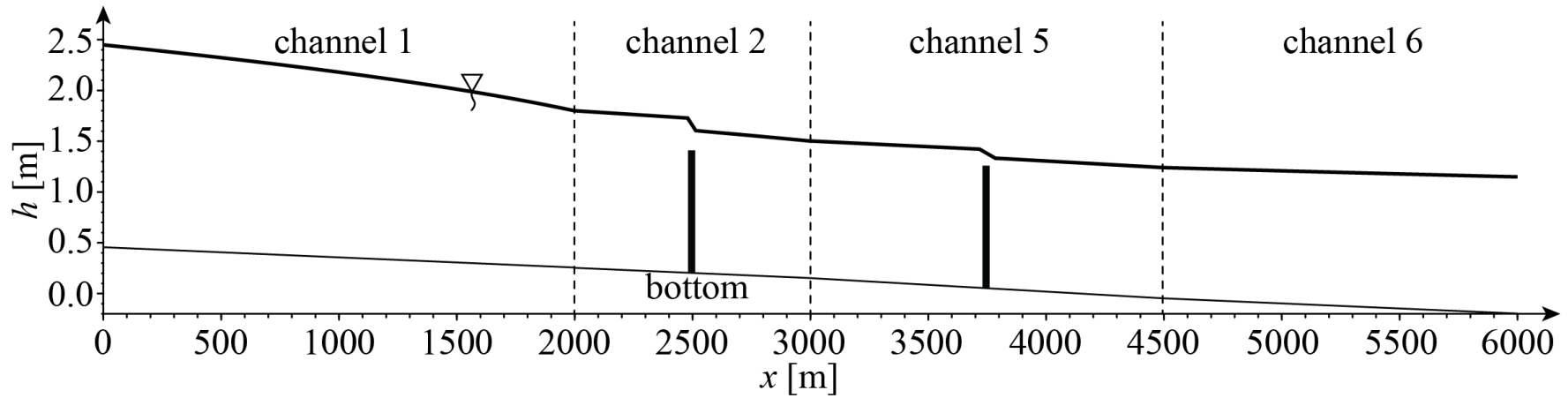
$$B_{ch} = 5 \text{ m}$$

$$n_{ch} = 0.03 \text{ s/m}^{1/3}$$



Computations outcome

No.	Q [m ³ /s]
1	5.502
2	2.751
3	2.751
4	1.087
5	2.207
6	1.477
7	2.207
8	1.477
9	0.730
10	0.730
11	2.547





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