

Computational Hydraulics
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Lecture 8
Ordinary Differential Equation: BVP

Welcome to this lecture number 8 of the course computational hydraulics. We are in module number 2 numerical methods and we will be covering unit number 4 which is ordinary differential equation and boundary value problem, BVP.

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Our learning objective of this particular unit at the end of the unit, students will be able to discretize ordinary differential equation along with boundary conditions. Also students will be able to derive algebraic form using discretized ODE and BCs. That means ordinary differential equations and boundary condition.

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Learning Objectives

- To discretize ordinary differential equation (ODE) along with Boundary Conditions (BC).
- To derive the algebraic form using discretized ODE and BC(s).

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Ordinary differential equation with space discretization we call it as boundary value problem, time or time like discretization that is initial value problem. Now our lecture number 7 we have covered this initial value problem. Physical problem in one dimension can be mathematically conceptualized using ordinary differential equation along with boundary conditions. Ordinary differential equation can be solved by using finite difference approach. Accuracy of the solution depends on discretization of ordinary differential equation and boundary conditions.

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Introduction

- Ordinary Differential Equation with
 - Space discretization: **Boundary Value Problem**
 - Time/ Time-like discretization: Initial Value Problem
- Physical problem in one-dimension can be mathematically conceptualized using ODE along with BC(s).
- ODE can be solved by using Finite Difference approach.
- Accuracy of the solution depends on discretization of ODE and BC(s).

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This is specific to boundary value problems. In case of initial value problem we have seen that accuracy of the solution depends only on the ordinary differential equation.

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- Accuracy of the solution depends on discretization of ODE and BC(s). *BVP*

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Let us consider a physical problem. We have one water body on the left side, we have confined unconfined aquifer system. Confined and unconfined aquifer system with leaky confining layer.

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The slide is titled "Problem Definition" and shows a cross-section of a groundwater system. The diagram includes the following labels:

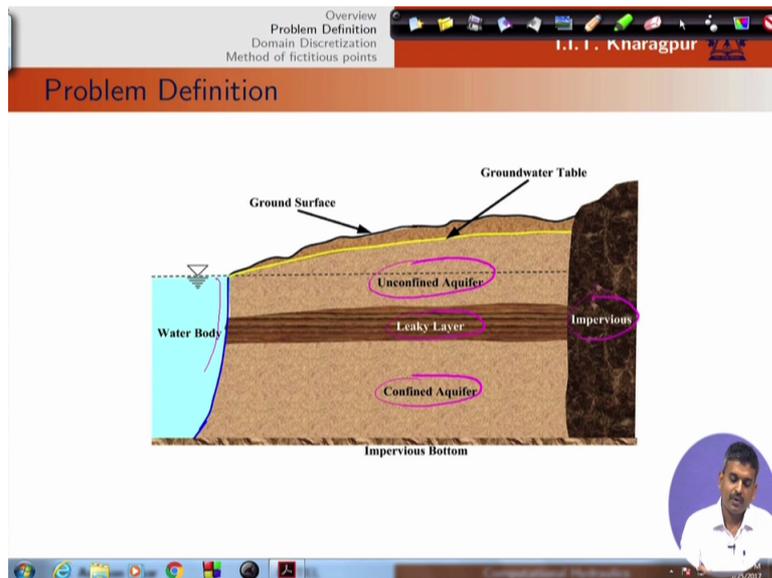
- Ground Surface
- Groundwater Table
- Water Body
- Unconfined Aquifer
- Leaky Layer
- Confined Aquifer
- Impervious
- Impervious Bottom

The diagram illustrates a water body on the left, an unconfined aquifer above a leaky layer, and a confined aquifer below the leaky layer, all resting on an impervious bottom. The ground surface is shown as a sloping line, and the groundwater table is indicated by a dashed line.

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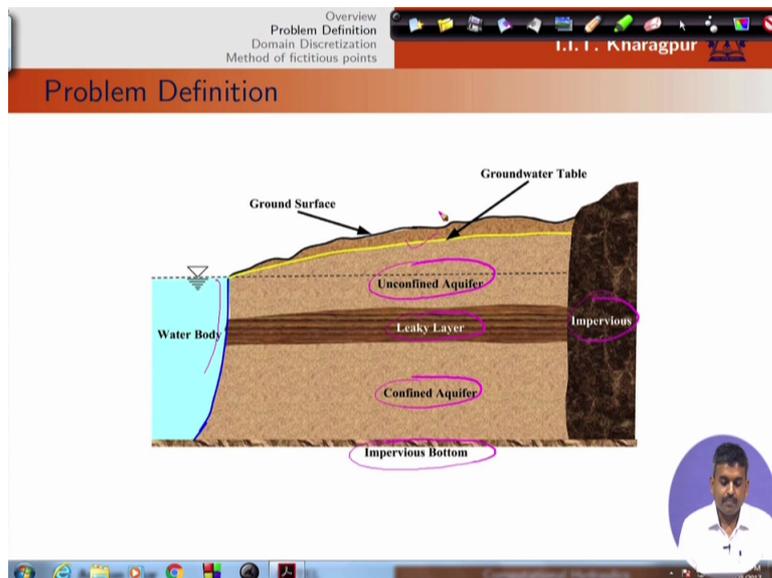
This is impervious unit. So in impervious unit is like mountain or any impervious rocks structure present there.

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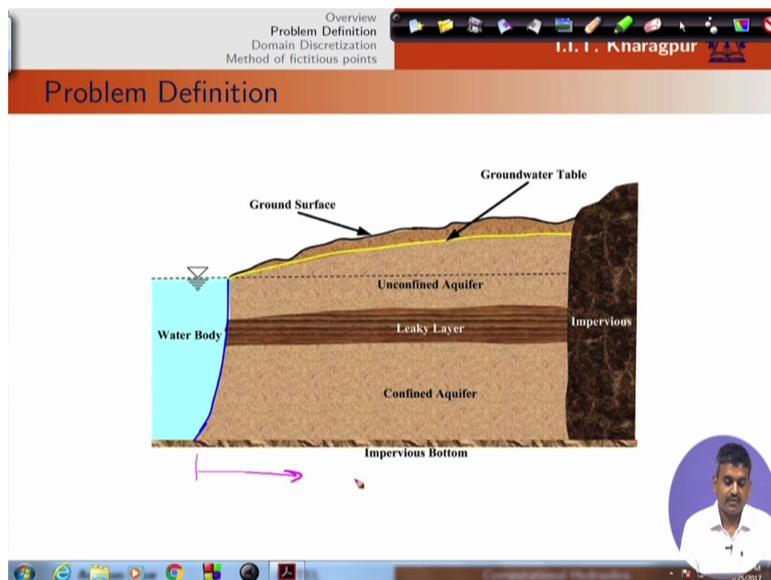
We have impervious water and this is our groundwater table with yellow line and on top we have ground service.

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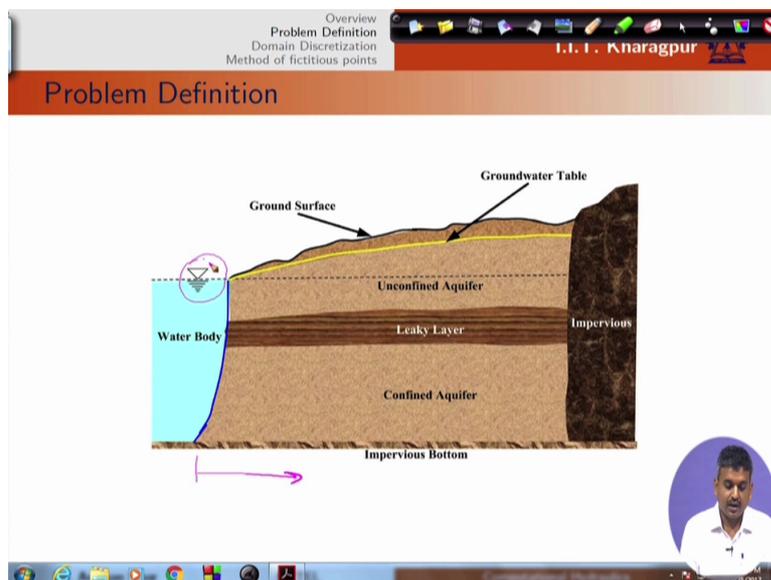
So problem is we need to find out what is the variation of groundwater table with this direction. That means we are concerned about only one direction.

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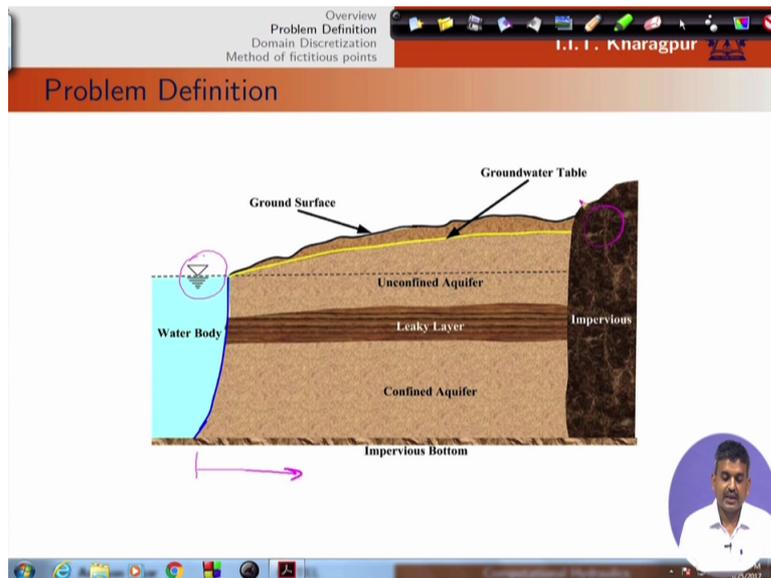
On the left hand side we have this water body which is specified condition or Dirichlet kind of condition, specified head.

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On the right hand side we have impervious condition which is zero flux or zero Neumann condition. So with this information we can proceed and we can mathematically conceptualize the problem using differential equations and boundary condition.

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So mathematical conceptualization we can write this differential equation, where h is the head, which is the function of X only and T aquifer transmissivity, C_{conf} is a hydraulic conductivity divided by thickness of confining layer. This is related to confining unit and H_{wt} is the overlying water table elevation. So this is our governing equation or GE.

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Mathematical Conceptualization

The differential equation describing the head distribution in the aquifer is given as ,

$$\frac{d^2h}{dx^2} = \frac{C_{conf}}{T}(h - h_{wt}) \quad (1)$$

where,
 h = head, $h(x)$
 T = aquifer transmissivity,
 C_{conf} = hydraulic conductivity/thickness of confining layer,
 h_{wt} = overlying water table elevation ($c_0 + c_1x + c_2x^2$).

Boundary Conditions

- Left Boundary is specified head/ Dirichlet boundary:
 $h(x = 0) = h_s$
- Right Boundary is impervious/ no-flow/ Neumann Boundary:
 $\frac{dh}{dx} \Big|_L = 0$

GE

Now we need boundary conditions or BC. Left hand side as I have discussed, we have Dirichlet boundary condition. X is equal to zero, we have H_s or specified boundary. On the right hand side we have impervious boundary or no flow boundary or Neumann boundary which is dh by sx at L . L is the distance between the water body and the impervious unit on the right hand side this value is zero.

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So we need to discretize the domain. So we have some information, with that information we can, we have conceptualized the problem in terms of differential equation. Now we need to discretize our physical domain with number of grids.

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Domain Discretization

The diagram illustrates a cross-section of an aquifer system. From top to bottom, the layers are: Ground Surface, Unconfined Aquifer, Leaky Layer, and Confined Aquifer. A Water Body is shown on the left, and an Impervious barrier is on the right. The Groundwater Table is indicated by a dashed line. Below the diagram, a horizontal axis labeled 'x' shows a grid of points from x_0 to x_N with a spacing of Δx . The total length of the domain is L .

So let us say, we are concerned about only X direction. That's why we are considering X not to x_N as grid points and these are equally spaced and spacing size is delta x. Now we can discretize our governing equation. On the left hand side we have d^2h by dx^2 . So with that if we discretize, this is our second order derivative and second order derivative has got this second order accuracy.

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Numerical Discretization

Governing Equation

The governing equation can be discretized as,

$$\frac{h_{i-1} - 2h_i + h_{i+1}}{\Delta x^2} + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x^2) = \frac{C_{conf}}{T} [h_i - h_{wt}(x_i)]$$

On the right hand side we have C_{conf} by T and this h is basically evaluated at h_i . This is exact value and h_{wt} , this is a function of X . So this is again exact value. So overall accuracy of the governing equation is second order.

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Now we can discretize this equation and we can (wri) rearrange it. So with h_{i-1} term, h_i , h_{i+1} , we have rearrange it and this is our right hand side term.

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The equation can be written as,

$$\frac{1}{\Delta x^2} h_{i-1} - \left(\frac{C_{\text{conf}}}{T} + \frac{2}{\Delta x^2} \right) h_i + \frac{1}{\Delta x^2} h_{i+1} = -\frac{C_{\text{conf}}}{T} h_{wt}(x_i)$$

Only true for interior points: $i = 1, 2, \dots, N-2, N-1$.

So basically these are coefficients.

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This governing equation is true for interior points. Interior point means that from point number 1 to N minus 1 excluding we are excluding the points zero and N in this case.

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So equation can be further simplified. We can write it in a compact form with these coefficients where B is Δx^2 , this D is $-\frac{C_{\text{conf}}}{T} + \frac{2}{\Delta x^2}$, A which is again $\frac{1}{\Delta x^2}$ and R which is on the right hand side as $-\frac{C_{\text{conf}}}{T} h_{\text{wt}}(x_i)$.

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Only true for interior points: $i = 1, 2, \dots, N-2, N-1$.

The equation can be further simplified as,

$$b_i h_{i-1} + d_i h_i + a_i h_{i+1} = r_i$$

where the coefficients are given by, $b_i = \frac{1}{\Delta x^2}$, $d_i = -\left(\frac{C_{\text{conf}}}{T} + \frac{2}{\Delta x^2} \right)$, $a_i = \frac{1}{\Delta x^2}$
and $r_i = -\frac{C_{\text{conf}}}{T} h_{\text{wt}}(x_i)$

Now let us discretize the boundary condition. Left hand boundary is Dirichlet boundary. Dirichlet boundary is without any truncation error in general equation format is $B \text{ not}$, because this is valid for our first X not point. So if we use the general equation that means whatever we have used for our governing equation, B , D , A not and R not, then we can write B not is zero, D not is 1, A not is zero, R not is specified value h_s .

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Boundary Conditions

The governing equation is used only for the interior points and the boundary conditions only for the boundary points.

Left Boundary

$$h_0 = h_s \quad (2)$$

Dirichlet boundary is without any truncation error.
In general equation format,
 $b_0 = 0, d_0 = 1, a_0 = 0$ and $r_0 = h_s$

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So if we consider right boundary then we can discretize it with backward difference. That's why $h_N - h_{N-1}$ divided by Δx plus first order accurate and this is first order accurate scheme. So order of accuracy is Δx . In general (form) equation, this is b_N is minus 1 by Δx , d_N is 1 by Δx , a_N is zero, r_N is zero. So we have written (abl) algebraic equation for each of the interior points and boundary points. For interior points we are using governing equations and for boundary points we are using boundary condition in discretized form.

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Right Boundary

First Order Discretization

$$\frac{h_N - h_{N-1}}{\Delta x} + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x) = 0$$

In general equation format,
 $b_N = -\frac{1}{\Delta x}, d_N = \frac{1}{\Delta x}, a_N = 0$ and $r_N = 0$

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So if we see the algebraic form then it is obvious that this portion is for interior points and last two points are actually boundary points. On the right hand side which is impermeable

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Tridiagonal Matrix Form

$b_0 = 0$

$a_N = 0$

$(N+1) \times (N+1)$

$3(N+1)$

- Sparse matrix structure
- Minimum storage requirement: $a_{N+1}, b_{N+1}, d_{N+1}$

So accuracy of boundary condition. If we use the second order discretization for first order derivative, then we can write this for right hand boundary with N, N minus 1 and N minus 2 points and these are the coefficients.

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Accuracy of Boundary Condition

Right Boundary

Second Order Discretization

$$\frac{3h_N - 4h_{N-1} + h_{N-2}}{2\Delta x} + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x^2) = 0 \quad (5)$$

In general equation format,
 $b_N = -\frac{4}{2\Delta x}, d_N = -\frac{3}{2\Delta x}, a_N = 0$ and $r_N = 0$
 $e_N = \frac{1}{2\Delta x}$

Now we are getting one extra coefficient here which is represented as $e_N = 1 / 2 \Delta X$.

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Matrix Form

- Tridiagonal Structure is broken.
- Completely second order scheme.
- Need to preserve the matrix structure.

So in first algebraic form we have seen that the tridiagonal structure is intact. Second order accurate discretization of our right hand boundary condition, this is breaking the tridiagonal structure. Now we can use governing equation for interior.

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Impermeable Boundary Treatment

Ground Surface
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Leaky Layer
Confined Aquifer
Impervious
Water Body
Impervious Bottom

x_0 x_1 x_{i-1} x_i x_{i+1} x_{N-1} x_N x_{N+1}

0 Δx Δx Δx Δx L Δx^2

Fictitious

Zero Neumann condition can be written as,

$$\frac{h_{N+1} - h_{N-1}}{2\Delta x} + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x^2) = 0 \Rightarrow h_{N+1} = h_{N-1}$$

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So impermeable boundary treatment. We can create one fictitious point, N plus 1.

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On the right hand side where we have this impermeable boundary.

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Fictitious

Zero Neumann condition can be written as,

$$\frac{h_{N+1} - h_{N-1}}{2\Delta x} + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x^2) = 0 \Rightarrow h_{N+1} = h_{N-1}$$

So zero Neumann boundary condition can be written as with our previous knowledge that is center difference $h_{N+1} - h_{N-1}$ divided by $2\Delta x$. This is second order accurate. This implies that we have this value h_{N+1} equals to h_{N-1} .

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Now we can use this information in our governing equation. So if we discretized the governing equation at node I, then we can write $b_N h_{N-1}$, $d_N h_N$, $a_N h_{N+1}$ and r_N .

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Fictitious Point Method

Writing the discretized governing equation at $i = N$:

$$b_N h_{N-1} + d_N h_N + a_N h_{N+1} = r_N$$

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So for this one using the boundary condition, this can be written as. So in this case h_{N+1} and in this case we can write it as h_{N-1} .

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Using the boundary condition, this can be written as,

$$b_N h_{N-1} + d_N h_N + a_N h_{N-1} = r_N$$


So this can be simplified as b_N plus a_N as coefficient of h_N minus 1 and d_N and these are the coefficients. d_N , a_N and r_N for the corresponding point x_N .

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Using the boundary condition, this can be written as,

$$b_N h_{N-1} + d_N h_N + a_N h_{N-1} = r_N$$

This can be simplified as,

$$(b_N + a_N) h_{N-1} + d_N h_N = r_N$$

where the coefficients are given by, $b_N = \frac{1}{\Delta x^2}$,
 $d_N = -\left(\frac{c_{cont}}{T} + \frac{2}{\Delta x^2}\right)$, $a_N = \frac{1}{\Delta x^2}$ and $r_N = -\frac{c_{cont}}{T} h_{wt}(x_N)$



Again we are getting the algebraic form. We have second order accurate scheme because our governing equation is second order accurate. We are utilizing it for our boundary condition and in this case tridiagonal structure is also intact. So either we can use direct inversion or we can use special algorithm with tridiagonal matrix solution.

