

# Gradually Varied Flow: Find Change in Depth wrt x

$$y_1 + \frac{V_1^2}{2g} + S_o \Delta x = y_2 + \frac{V_2^2}{2g} + S_f \Delta x$$

$$S_o dx = (y_2 - y_1) + \left( \frac{V_2^2}{2g} - \frac{V_1^2}{2g} \right) + S_f dx$$

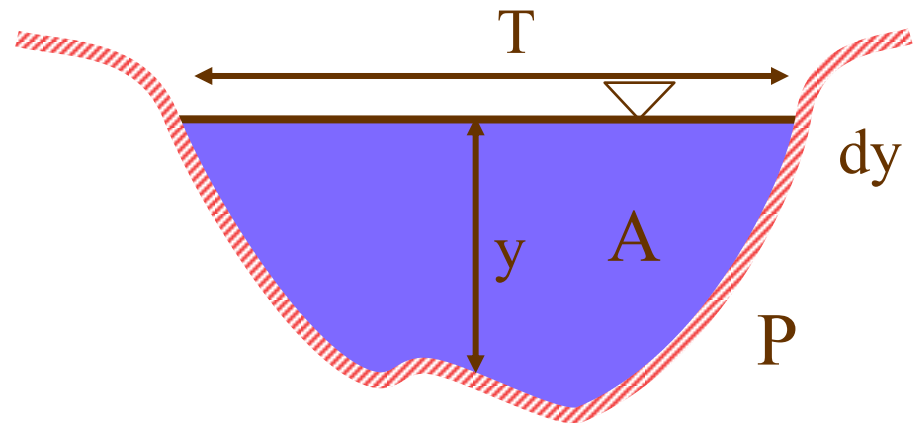
$$dy = y_2 - y_1$$

$$dy + d \left( \frac{V^2}{2g} \right) + S_f dx = S_o dx$$

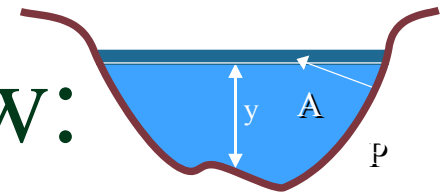
$$\frac{dy}{dy} + \frac{d}{dy} \left( \frac{V^2}{2g} \right) + S_f \frac{dx}{dy} = S_o \frac{dx}{dy}$$

Energy equation for non-uniform, steady flow

Shrink control volume



# Gradually Varied Flow: Derivative of KE wrt Depth



$$\frac{d}{dy} \left( \frac{V^2}{2g} \right) = \frac{d}{dy} \left( \frac{Q^2}{2gA^2} \right) = \left( \frac{-2Q^2}{2gA^3} \right) \cdot \frac{dA}{dy} = \left( \frac{-Q^2 T}{gA^3} \right) = -Fr^2$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{d}{dy} \left( \frac{V^2}{2g} \right) + S_f \frac{dx}{dy} = S_o \frac{dx}{dy}$$

Change in KE  
Change in PE

$$dA = Tdy$$

We are holding Q constant!

$$1 - Fr^2 + S_f \frac{dx}{dy} = S_o \frac{dx}{dy}$$

Does  $V=Q/A$ ? Is  $V \perp A$ ?

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{S_o - S_f}{1 - Fr^2}$$

The water surface slope is a function of:  
bottom slope, friction slope, Froude number

# Gradually Varied Flow: Governing equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{S_o - S_f}{1 - Fr^2}$$

Governing equation for gradually varied flow

- Gives change of water depth with distance along channel
- Note
  - $S_o$  and  $S_f$  are positive when sloping down in direction of flow
  - $y$  is measured from channel bottom
  - $dy/dx = 0$  means water depth is constant  
 **$y_n$  is when  $\underline{S_o = S_f}$**

# Surface Profiles

- **Mild slope** ( $y_n > y_c$ )
  - in a long channel subcritical flow will occur
- **Steep slope** ( $y_n < y_c$ )
  - in a long channel supercritical flow will occur
- **Critical slope** ( $y_n = y_c$ )
  - in a long channel unstable flow will occur
- **Horizontal slope** ( $S_o = 0$ )
  - $y_n$  undefined
- **Adverse slope** ( $S_o < 0$ )
  - $y_n$  undefined

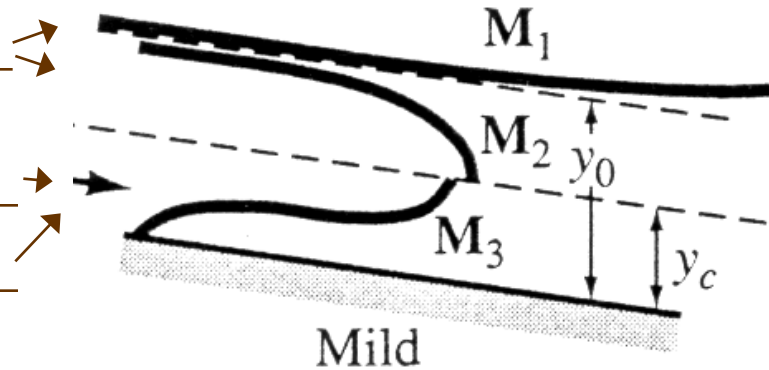
**Note: These slopes are f(Q)!**

# Surface Profiles

Normal depth

Sluice gate

Steep slope



Obstruction

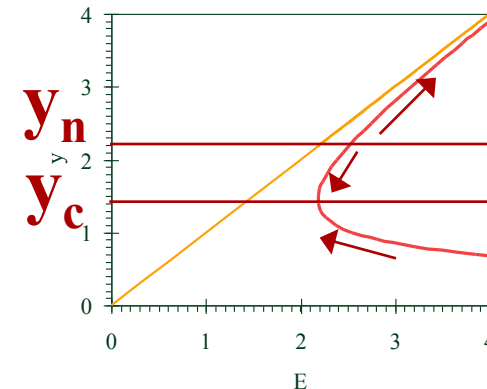
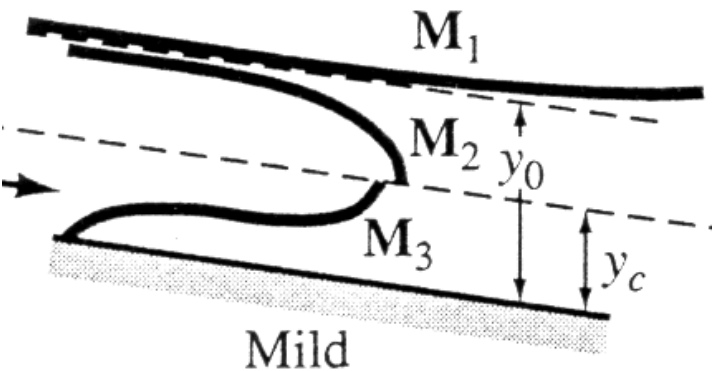
Steep slope (S<sub>2</sub>)

Hydraulic Jump

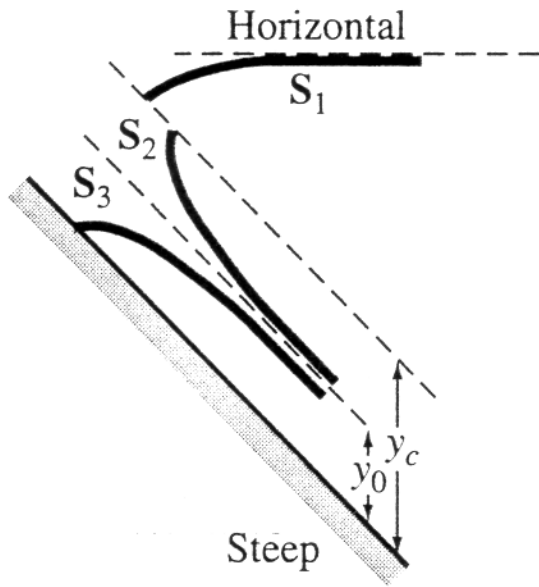
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{S_o - S_f}{1 - Fr^2}$$

S<sub>0</sub> - S<sub>f</sub>    1 - Fr<sup>2</sup>    dy/dx

+	+	+
-	+	-
-	-	+

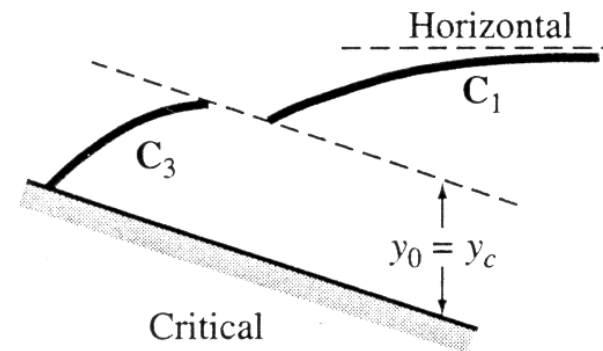
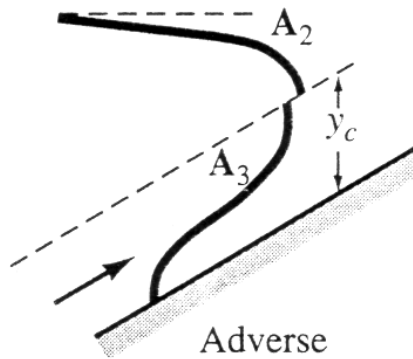
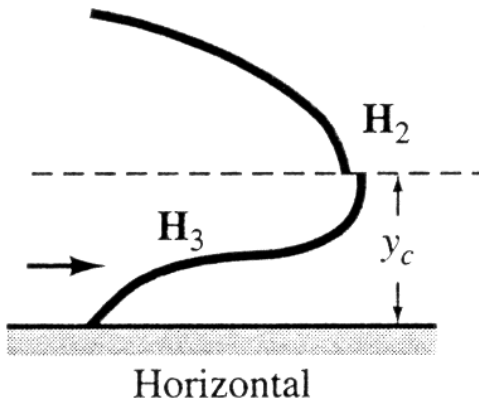
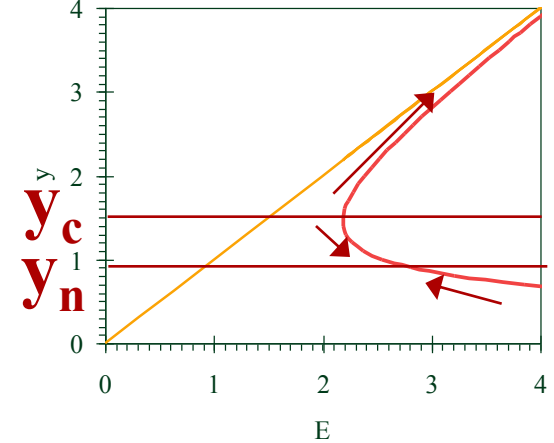


# More Surface Profiles



	$S_0 - S_f$	$1 - Fr^2$	$dy/dx$
1	<u>+</u>	<u>+</u>	<u>+</u>
2	<u>+</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
3	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>+</u>

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{S_0 - S_f}{1 - Fr^2}$$



# Direct Step Method

$$y_1 + \frac{V_1^2}{2g} + S_o \Delta x = y_2 + \frac{V_2^2}{2g} + S_f \Delta x \quad \text{energy equation}$$

$$\Delta x = \frac{y_1 - y_2 + \frac{V_1^2}{2g} - \frac{V_2^2}{2g}}{S_f - S_o} \quad \text{solve for } \Delta x$$

rectangular channel

$$V_1 = \frac{q}{y_1} \quad V_2 = \frac{q}{y_2}$$

prismatic channel

$$V_2 = \frac{Q}{A_2} \quad V_1 = \frac{Q}{A_1}$$

# Direct Step Method

## Friction Slope

Manning

$$S_f = \frac{n^2 V^2}{R_h^{4/3}}$$

SI units

$$S_f = \frac{n^2 V^2}{2.22 R_h^{4/3}}$$

English units

Darcy-Weisbach

$$S_f = f \frac{V^2}{8gR_h}$$



# Direct Step

- Limitation: channel must be prismatic  
(channel geometry is independent of  $x$  so that velocity is a function of depth only and not a function of  $x$ )
- Method
  - identify type of profile (determines whether  $\Delta y$  is + or -)
  - choose  $\Delta y$  and thus  $y_{i+1}$
  - calculate hydraulic radius and velocity at  $y_i$  and  $y_{i+1}$
  - calculate friction slope given  $y_i$  and  $y_{i+1}$
  - calculate average friction slope
  - calculate  $\Delta x$

# Direct Step Method

$$=y*b+y^2*z$$

$$=2*y*(1+z^2)^{0.5} +b$$

$$=A/P$$

$$=Q/A$$

$$=(n*V)^2/Rh^{(4/3)}$$

$$=y+(V^2)/(2*g)$$

$$=(G16-G15)/((F15+F16)/2-S_o)$$

$$\Delta x = \frac{y_1 - y_2 + \frac{V_1^2}{2g} - \frac{V_2^2}{2g}}{S_f - S_o}$$

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
y	A	P	Rh	V	Sf	E	Dx	x	T	Fr	bottom	surface
0.900	1.799	4.223	0.426	0.139	0.00004	0.901		0	3.799	0.065	0.000	0.900
0.870	1.687	4.089	0.412	0.148	0.00005	0.871	0.498	0.5	3.679	0.070	0.030	0.900

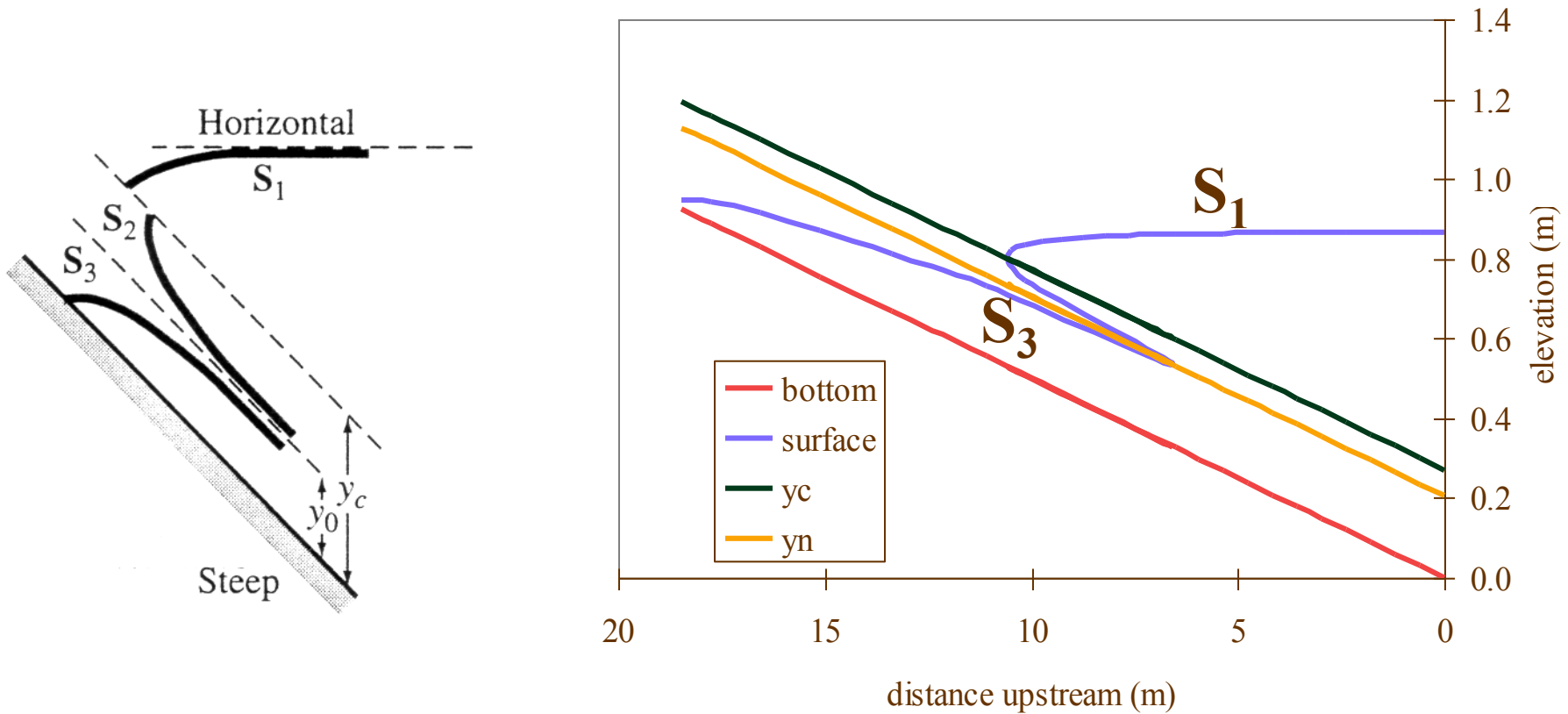
# Standard Step

- Given a depth at one location, determine the depth at a second given location
- Step size ( $\Delta x$ ) must be small enough so that changes in water depth aren't very large. Otherwise estimates of the friction slope and the velocity head are inaccurate
- Can solve in upstream or downstream direction
  - Usually solved upstream for subcritical
  - Usually solved downstream for supercritical
- Find a depth that satisfies the energy equation

$$y_1 + \frac{V_1^2}{2g} + S_o \Delta x = y_2 + \frac{V_2^2}{2g} + S_f \Delta x$$

# What curves are available?

## Steep Slope



Is there a curve between  $y_c$  and  $y_n$  that increases in depth in the downstream direction? NO!

# Mild Slope

- If the slope is mild, the depth is less than the critical depth, and a hydraulic jump occurs, what happens next?

Rapidly varied flow!

When  $dy/dx$  is large then  $V$  isn't normal to  $cs$

Hydraulic jump! Check conjugate depths

