

### Question

Use the method of matching to find the first terms in the outer and inner solutions of

$$\varepsilon y'' + (2x^2 + x + 1)y' = 4x + 1, \quad y(0) = 1, \quad y(1) = 1$$

given that a boundary layer of width  $O(\varepsilon)$  exists near the origin. Hence write down the one-term composite expansion. Compare thus with the exact solution.

### Answer

$$\varepsilon y'' + (2x^2 + x + 1)y' = 4x + 1, \quad y(0) = 1, \quad y(1) = 1$$

Assuming again an  $O(\varepsilon)$  boundary layer near  $x = 0$  we have

OUTER  $y = y_0(x) + \varepsilon y_1(x) + O(\varepsilon^2)$

Substitute into equation

$$\varepsilon y_0'' + (2x^2 + x + 1)(y_0' + \varepsilon y_1') = 4x + 1 + O(\varepsilon^2)$$

$O(\varepsilon^0)$

$$(2x^2 + x + 1)y_0' = 4x + 1$$

$$y_0(1) = 1 \text{ (is only relevant boundary condition)}$$

$$\text{Therefore } y_0' = \frac{4x + 1}{2x^2 + x + 1}$$

$$\int dy_0 = \int \frac{4x + 1}{2x^2 + x + 1} dx$$

$$y_0 = \int \frac{d(2x^2 + x + 1)}{2x^2 + x + 1} = A + \log(2x^2 + x + 1)$$

or see standard text books.

Apply boundary conditions to get

$$1 = \log(2 + 1 + 1) + A$$

$$\Rightarrow A = 1 - \log 4$$

$$\text{Therefore } y_0 = \underline{1 + \log\left(\frac{2x^2 + x + 1}{4}\right)}$$

### INNER

Assuming  $O(\varepsilon)$  boundary layer near  $x = 0$ , set  $\frac{x}{\varepsilon} = X \Rightarrow \partial_x = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \partial_X$  with

$$y(\varepsilon X; \varepsilon) = Y(X; \varepsilon)$$

Equation becomes

$$\frac{1}{\varepsilon} Y'' + (2\varepsilon^2 X^2 + \varepsilon X + 1)Y' = 4\varepsilon^2 X + \varepsilon \quad Y(0) = 1$$

Only 1 boundary condition for 2nd order equation  $\Rightarrow$  matching needed for finding 2nd arbitrary constant.

Solve perturbatively using regular constants

$$Y(X, \varepsilon) = Y_0(X) + \varepsilon Y_1(\varepsilon) + \varepsilon^2 Y_2(\varepsilon) + O(\varepsilon^3)$$

$$O(\varepsilon^0)Y_0'' + Y_0' = 0, \quad Y_0(0) = 1$$

This is the same as in question 8.

Hence solution:

$$Y_0 = (1 - c) + ce^{-X}$$

$c$  determined from matching by Van Dyke.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{One term outer expansion} &= 1 + \log\left(\frac{2x^2 + x + 1}{4}\right) \\ \text{Rewritten in inner variable} &= 1 + \log\left(\frac{2\varepsilon^2 X^2 + \varepsilon X + 1}{4}\right) \\ \text{Expanded for small } \varepsilon &= 1 - \log 4 + \varepsilon X + O(\varepsilon^2) \\ \text{One term } O(\varepsilon^0) &= 1 - \log 4 \quad (\star) \\ \text{One term inner expansion} &= ce^{-X} - (c - 1) \\ \text{Rewritten in outer variable} &= ce^{-\frac{x}{\varepsilon}} - (c - 1) \\ \text{Expanded for small } \varepsilon &= 1 - c \\ &\quad + \text{exp. small in } \varepsilon \\ \text{One term } O(\varepsilon^0) &= 1 - c \quad (\star\star) \end{aligned}$$

$(\star)$  and  $(\star\star)$  must match, hence:  $1 - c = 1 - \log 4 \Rightarrow c = \log 4$

Therefore outer 1-term is:  $y(x; \varepsilon) = 1 + \log\left(\frac{2x^2 + x + 1}{4}\right) + O(\varepsilon)$

Inner 1-term is  $Y(X; \varepsilon) = (1 - \log 4) + (\log 4)e^{-X}$

Composite is:

$$\begin{aligned} y^{comp} &= y^{outer} + y^{inner} - \text{inner limit of } y^{outer} \\ &= 1 + \log\left(\frac{2x^2 + x + 1}{4}\right) + (1 - \log 4) \\ &\quad + (\log 4)e^{-X} - (1 - \log 4) \\ \underline{y^{comp}} &= \underline{1 + \log\left(\frac{2x^2 + x + 1}{4}\right) + (\log 4)e^{-\frac{x}{\varepsilon}} + \dots} \quad \varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+ \end{aligned}$$

Exact solution is difficult to find!