

M is found by substitution in PDE:  $(4-n^2)M = -A^2 b_n \Rightarrow M = \frac{A^2 b_n}{n^2-4}$

$$\Rightarrow F = -\frac{A^2 b_n}{n^2-4}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n(x) = \frac{A^2 b_n}{n^2-4} (e^{-2x} - e^{-nx}) \quad b_n = \begin{cases} 0 & n: \text{even} \\ 4 & n^2-2 \\ \pi & (n^2-4)n \end{cases} \quad n: \text{odd}$$

$$u^{(n)}(x,y) = \frac{4A^2}{\pi} \sum_{n: \text{odd}} \frac{n^2-2}{(n^2-4)^2 n} (e^{-2x} - e^{-nx}) \sin(ny)$$

$$u(x,y) = u^{(0)}(x,y) + \varepsilon u^{(1)}(x,y) + \dots \quad |\varepsilon| \ll 1$$

Issues about convergence:

• Does the series  $u = u^{(0)} + \varepsilon u^{(1)} + \dots + \varepsilon^n u^{(n)} + \dots$  converge?

Answer: Yes, by theory of integral equations.  
↳ for sufficiently small  $\varepsilon$ ,  $|\varepsilon| < |\varepsilon_0|$

• More generally, do series of such form converge?

Answer: No, in principle; They may be divergent, yet asymptotic.

(asymptotic series: you fix  $n$  and you look if your finite sum is close to the true  $u$  if  $\varepsilon \ll 1$ )

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• Quiz 2: Mon. May 10, pick up in class

to be returned Wed. May 12 before class

• Review Session: PRI 4-5:30 pm

Review: regular perturbations for PDE

(advice: have eqs. in non-dimensional form)

General problem: PDE:  $\begin{cases} F(x, x_1, \dots, x_n, \text{deriv. of } u; \varepsilon) = 0, & |\varepsilon| \ll 1 \\ + \text{conds} \end{cases}$

existence of solution for  $\epsilon=0$  is necessary

Steps: (i) Set  $\epsilon=0$ : verify that a solution ~~exists~~ that satisfies PDE + given conditions exists.   
 all!

but not sufficient condition for Reg. Pert. to work

(ii) Apply series  $u = u^{(0)} + \epsilon u^{(1)} + \epsilon^2 u^{(2)} + \dots + \epsilon^n u^{(n)} + \dots$  where  $u^{(k)} = O(\epsilon^k)$ ,  $|\epsilon| < 1$ . We assume power series in  $\epsilon \Rightarrow$  analytic solution in  $\epsilon$ .  
 • substitute in PDE and condn; derive equations for  $u^{(k)}$ ,  $k=1,2,\dots$  given  $u^{(0)}$   
 • solve equations for  $u^{(k)}$  successively.

Usually series converges for suff. small  $\epsilon$

Ex. Schrödinger equation: 
$$\begin{cases} -\nabla^2 u + V(\vec{r})u = \epsilon u \\ u \rightarrow 0, |\vec{r}| \rightarrow \infty \end{cases}$$
   
 where  $V(\vec{r}) = V_0(\vec{r}) + \epsilon W(\vec{r})$ ,  $|\epsilon| \ll 1$

Claim: if  $\left| \frac{\epsilon W(\vec{r})}{V_0(\vec{r})} \right| \rightarrow 0$  as  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$

uniformly in  $\vec{r}$  then  $u = u^{(0)} + \epsilon u^{(1)} + \dots$  convergent

Singular Perturbation Theory:

Symptom: Solution to a problem doesnot exist for  $\epsilon=0$ .

(A) ODEs

Example: 
$$\begin{cases} \epsilon u'' + u' = 1 & u = u(x) \quad 0 < x < 1 \\ u(0) = 0 = u(1) \end{cases}$$

Exact solution: 
$$u(x) = \underbrace{x-1}_{\alpha(x)} + \frac{e^{-x/\epsilon} - e^{-1/\epsilon}}{1 - e^{-1/\epsilon}}$$
  
 depends on  $x$   $\beta(x/\epsilon)$  depends on  $x/\epsilon$  scaled by  $1/\epsilon$   
 we have  $\alpha(1) = 0$

$p(\frac{x}{\epsilon})$  for  $\epsilon \ll 1 \approx e^{-x/\epsilon}$

solution is  $u(x) \approx x-1 + e^{-x/\epsilon}$

•  $\frac{x}{\epsilon} \gg 1 \implies e^{-x/\epsilon} \approx 0, u(x) \approx x-1$  : solution for  $\epsilon=0$  of the ODE  
 "OUTER SOLUTION"

the term  $\epsilon u''$  was neglected

$\epsilon u'' + u' = 1$

$\epsilon=0: u' = 1$

$u = x + C, u(1) = 0$

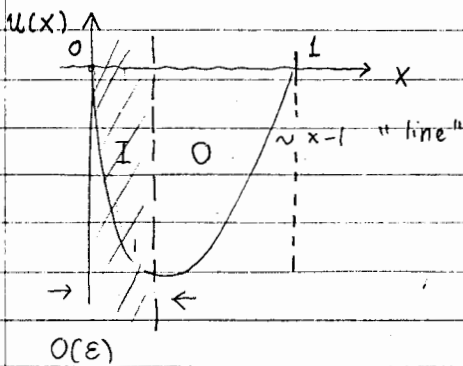
$\implies \boxed{u = x-1}$

two ways to obtain it  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \epsilon u'' \text{ neglected} \\ \text{take } \frac{x}{\epsilon} \gg 1 \end{array} \right.$

•  $\frac{x}{\epsilon} = O(1) \implies x = O(\epsilon) : u \approx -1 + e^{-x/\epsilon}$   
 "INNER SOLUTION"  $\uparrow$  can not be neglected  
 $\uparrow$  neglected  $\frac{x}{\epsilon} = O(1)$

- $x$  scales with some power of  $\epsilon$   $\xi = \frac{x}{\epsilon} = O(1)$
- $\epsilon u''$  can NOT be neglected

Look  
Hinch  
for  
BL theory.



The region near  $x=0$  (in this Ex.) where  $u(x)$  varies rapidly (and  $x$  scales with a function of  $\epsilon$ ) is called  
**BOUNDARY LAYER**

Inner solution:	$-1 + e^{-x/\epsilon}$	(I)	$\rightarrow \approx -1$	} Agree!
Outer solution:	$x-1$	(O)	$\rightarrow \approx -1$	
			$x \rightarrow 0$	

$\left. \begin{array}{l} \frac{x}{\epsilon} \rightarrow +\infty \\ (\frac{x}{\epsilon} \gg 1) \end{array} \right\}$

$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right\}$  overlap region

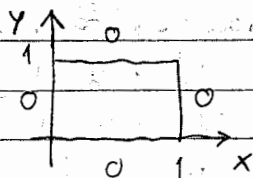
Any deviation from the overlap value in the inner solution should decay exponentially.  
 $\hookrightarrow$  important

(B) Case of PDE's

singular perturbation:  $\epsilon$  multiplies the highest derivative

Example:  $\epsilon \nabla^2 u + u_x = y(1-y^2)$ ,  $u = u(x,y)$

$|\epsilon| \ll 1$



(i) Try to set  $\epsilon = 0$ :

$u_x = y(1-y^2) \Rightarrow u(x,y) = xy(1-y^2) + C(y)$

We choose that

- o suppose  $u(x=0, y) = 0 \Rightarrow C = 0$
- o suppose  $u(x=1, y) = 0 \Rightarrow C = -y(1-y^2)$

$\Rightarrow$  we can not satisfy both conditions at  $x=0, 1$ .

$\rightarrow$  indication for singular perturbation theory

(iii) the solution for  $\epsilon=0$  can be written as

$u^{(0)} = y(1-y^2) [x - A(y)]$  satisfies conditions at  $y=0, 1$

the problem is with the condition in  $x$

We seek (possible) boundary layers at  $x=0$  and  $x=1$ .

- o Try  $x=0$ : How does the thickness scale?

$\rightarrow$  assume that  $x$  scales by  $\epsilon$  (as in the ODE example)

$\xi = \frac{x}{\epsilon}$  :  $u(x,y) = h(x,y) + p(x,y; \epsilon)$

solution for  $\epsilon=0$ :  $u^{(0)}$

remainder, takes care of condition at  $x=0, 1$ .

$h(x,y) = y(1-y^2) [x - A(y)]$

Find PDE for  $p = p(\xi, y)$

$u_{xx} = h_{xx} + p_{xx} = \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} p_{\xi\xi}$ ,  $u_x = y(1-y^2) + \frac{1}{\epsilon} p_{\xi}$ ,  $u_{yy} = h_{yy} + p_{yy}$

$$\varepsilon h_{yy} + \varepsilon p_{yy} + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} p_{\xi\xi} + \overset{\text{cancell}}{h_x} + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} p_{\xi} = y(1-y^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\varepsilon} p_{\xi\xi} + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} p_{\xi} - \varepsilon p_{yy} = -\varepsilon h_{yy}$$

for a BL at  $x=0$  :  $\frac{x}{\varepsilon} = \xi = o(1)$  &  $\varepsilon \ll 1$

$$\Rightarrow p_{\xi\xi} + p_{\xi} + \cancel{\varepsilon^2 p_{yy}} = -\cancel{\varepsilon^2 h_{yy}}$$

assume  $p_{\xi}, p_{\xi\xi}, p_y, p_{yy} = o(1)$  so neglect the  $\varepsilon^2$  terms.

PDE  $\Rightarrow$  ODE

$$p_{\xi\xi} + p_{\xi} = 0 \Rightarrow \text{ODE} \Rightarrow p(\xi, y) = B(y) e^{-\xi} + D(y)$$

$$u(x, y) \approx y(1-y^2) [x - A(y)] + B(y) e^{-x/\varepsilon} + D(y)$$

$$= y(1-y^2) [x - A(y)] + B(y) e^{-x/\varepsilon}$$

$\hookrightarrow$  decays exponentially

Apply conditions:

$$\begin{cases} u(x=0, y) = 0 \\ u(x=1, y) = 0 \end{cases}$$

$\hookrightarrow$  we try to expand the sol. for BL to the whole region

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} -y(1-y^2) A(y) + B(y) = 0 \\ y(1-y^2) [1 - A(y)] + B(y) e^{-1/\varepsilon} = 0 \end{cases} \quad \begin{aligned} A &= \frac{1}{1 - e^{1/\varepsilon}} \approx 1 \\ B &= \frac{y(1-y^2)}{1 - e^{1/\varepsilon}} \approx (y(1-y^2)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow u(x, y) \approx y(1-y^2) [x - 1 + e^{-x/\varepsilon}]$$

$\hookrightarrow$  if we try a BL at  $x=0$  we have an exp. decaying solution that we expand to  $x=1$

Check:

conds at  $y=0, 1 \Rightarrow u=0$

at  $x=1 \Rightarrow u(1, y) = y(1-y^2) e^{-1/\varepsilon} \approx 0$  (exp. small)

at  $x=0 \Rightarrow u(0, y) = 0$

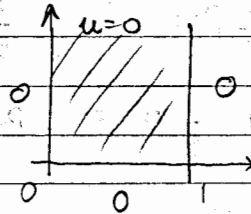
PDE :  $[x - 1 + e^{-x/\varepsilon}] (-6y) + \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} e^{-x/\varepsilon} y(1-y^2) + y(1-y^2) [1 - \frac{1}{\varepsilon} e^{-x/\varepsilon}] = y(1-y^2)$

$\Rightarrow$  PDE is satisfied at order  $\varepsilon$

Example:

$$\epsilon \nabla^2 u - u_x + 2u = 1$$

$$|\epsilon| \ll 1$$



(i)  $\epsilon = 0$ :  $-u_x + 2u = 1$

$$\Rightarrow u^{(0)}(x,y) = \frac{1}{2} [A(y)e^{2x} + 1]$$

can not satisfy both conditions at  $x=0,1$

(ii) singular perturbation theory: look for BL

$$u(x,y) = \underbrace{h(x,y)}_{\epsilon=0} + p(x,y;\epsilon)$$

PDE for  $p$ :

$$\epsilon \nabla^2 p - p_x + 2p = -\epsilon \nabla^2 h$$

Look for boundary layers:

①  $x=0$ :  $\zeta = \frac{x}{\epsilon^\nu}$ ,  $\nu > 0$  we want to find  $\nu$

$p = p(\zeta, y)$ ;  $\zeta = O(1)$  inside BL

PDE for  $p$ :

$$\underbrace{p_{\zeta\zeta}}_{O(\epsilon)} + \epsilon^{2\nu} \underbrace{p_{yy}}_{O(\epsilon^{2\nu})} - \epsilon^{\nu+1} \underbrace{p_\zeta}_{O(\epsilon^\nu)} + 2\epsilon^{2\nu-1} \underbrace{p}_{O(\epsilon^{2\nu})} = -\epsilon^{2\nu} \underbrace{\nabla^2 h}_{O(\epsilon^{2\nu})}$$

can not have BL at  $x=0$

②  $x=1$   $\zeta = \frac{1-x}{\epsilon^\nu}$   $\nu > 0$

$$p_{\zeta\zeta} + \epsilon^{2\nu} p_{yy} + \epsilon^{\nu-1} p_\zeta + 2\epsilon^{2\nu-1} p = -\epsilon^{2\nu} \nabla^2 h$$