

## EXAMPLE

$$\epsilon y'' + (x+1)y' + y = 0 \quad x \in (0, 1)$$

$$y(0) = 0 \quad y(1) = 1$$

Outer expansion  $y(x, \epsilon) = y_0(x) + o(1)$  yields

$$(1) \quad (x+1)y_0' + y_0 = 0$$

$$(2) \quad y_0(1) = 1$$

where we have presumed a layer at  $x=0$ .  
The solution of (1)-(2) is

$$y_0(x) = \frac{2}{1+x}$$

Inner expansion  $y(x, \epsilon) = \bar{Y}_0(\bar{x}) + o(1)$

$$y(x, \epsilon) = \bar{Y}(\bar{x}, \epsilon) \quad \bar{x} = \frac{x}{\delta} \quad \delta \ll 1$$

differential equation for  $\bar{Y}$  is

$$(3) \quad \frac{\epsilon}{\delta^2} \bar{Y}'' + \frac{1}{\delta} (1 + \delta \bar{x}) \bar{Y}' + \bar{Y} = 0$$

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highest order (largest) terms must balance

Conclude boundary layer thickness

$$\delta(\epsilon) = \epsilon$$

and (3) becomes

$$(4) \quad \bar{Y}'' + (1 + \epsilon \bar{x}) \bar{Y}' + \epsilon \bar{Y} = 0$$

Using  $\bar{Y}(\bar{x}, \varepsilon) = \bar{Y}_0(\bar{x}) + o(1)$  in eqn (4)

$$(5) \quad \bar{Y}_0'' + \bar{Y}_0' = 0 \quad \bar{Y}_0(0) = 0$$

where we have used the left B.C.  $y(0) = 0$ .

The solution of (5) is

$$\bar{Y}_0(\bar{x}) = C(e^{-\bar{x}} - 1)$$

Matching

$$M = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} y_0(x) = \lim_{\bar{x} \rightarrow +\infty} \bar{Y}_0(\bar{x})$$

$$M = 2 = -C$$

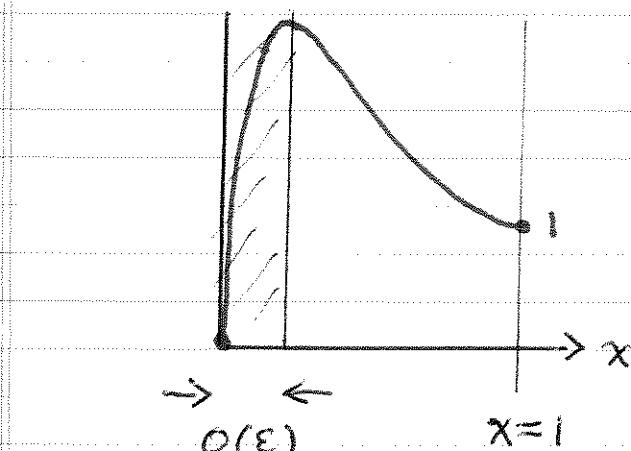
Hence  $C = -2$  and the completed inner soln is:

$$\bar{Y}_0(\bar{x}) = 2(1 - e^{-\bar{x}})$$

Uniformly valid approximation

$$y_u(x, \varepsilon) = y_0(x) + \bar{Y}_0\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right) - M$$

$$y_u(x, \varepsilon) = \frac{2}{1+x} - 2e^{-x/\varepsilon}$$



Exact soln is  
known but very  
messy.

EXAMPLE (Different B-Layer Thickness)

$$(1) \quad \varepsilon y'' + x^3 y' + y = 0$$

$$(2) \quad y(0) = 0 \quad y(1) = e^{-3/2}$$

Outer expansion  $y(x, \varepsilon) = y_0(x) + o(1) \Rightarrow$

$$(3) \quad x^3 y'_0 + y_0 = 0, \quad y_0(1) = e^{-3/2}$$

where a B-Layer at  $x=0$  is presumed (explaining why outer  $y_0$  satisfies B.C. at  $x=1$ ). Soln of (3)

$$(4) \quad y_0(x) = e^{-\frac{3}{2}x^{2/3}}$$

Inner soln

Let

$$y(x, \varepsilon) = \bar{Y}(\bar{x}, \varepsilon) \quad \bar{x} = \frac{x}{\delta}, \quad \delta \ll 1$$

Substitute into diff eqn (1)

$$\frac{\varepsilon}{\delta^2} \bar{Y}'' + \frac{\delta^3}{\varepsilon} \bar{x}^3 \bar{Y}' + \bar{Y} = 0$$

Multiply through by  $\frac{\delta^2}{\varepsilon}$

$$(5) \quad \bar{Y}'' + \frac{\delta^{4/3}}{\varepsilon} \bar{x}^{1/3} \bar{Y}' + \frac{\delta^2}{\varepsilon} \bar{Y} = 0$$

$$\textcircled{1} \sim \textcircled{2} \gg \textcircled{3}$$

Must choose  $\delta(\varepsilon)$  so  $\textcircled{1} \sim \textcircled{2}$ .

$$s(\varepsilon) = \varepsilon^{3/4} \quad \text{B-Layer Thickness}$$

For this choice of  $s$ , eqn (5) becomes

$$(6) \quad \bar{Y}'' + \bar{x}^{1/3} \bar{Y}' + \varepsilon^{1/2} \bar{Y} = 0$$

Note that although we only seek the leading order soln of (6), an appropriate higher order expansion would be

$$\bar{Y}(\bar{x}, \varepsilon) = \bar{Y}_0(\bar{x}) + \mu \bar{Y}_1(\bar{x}) + O(\mu^2)$$

where  $\mu(\varepsilon) = \varepsilon^{1/2}$ .

Leading inner expansion  $\bar{Y} = \bar{Y}_0 + o(1) \Rightarrow$

$$(7) \quad \bar{Y}_0'' + \bar{x}^{1/3} \bar{Y}_0' = 0, \quad \bar{Y}_0(0) = 0$$

Integrating (7) once in  $\bar{x}$

$$\bar{Y}_0'(\bar{x}) = C_1 e^{-\frac{3}{4}\bar{x}^{4/3}}$$

From which

$$(8) \quad \bar{Y}_0(\bar{x}) = C_1 \int_0^{\bar{x}} e^{-\frac{3}{4}t^{4/3}} dt$$

defines  $\bar{Y}_0$  for some unknown  $C_1$ .

Now we match  $y_0$  to  $\bar{Y}_0$ .

## Matching

$$M = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} y_0(x) = \lim_{X \rightarrow \infty} Y_0(X)$$

$$(9) M = 1 = c_1 \int_0^\infty e^{-\frac{3}{4}t^{4/3}} dt$$

Thus

$$(10) c_1 = \left( \int_0^\infty e^{-\frac{3}{4}t^{4/3}} dt \right)^{-1} \text{ some constant}$$

Knowing  $c_1$  completes the inner approximation.

## Uniformly valid solution

$$y_u(x, \varepsilon) = y_0(x) + Y_0\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon^{3/4}}\right) - M$$

or

$$y_u(x, \varepsilon) = (e^{-\frac{3}{2}x^{2/3}} - 1) + c_1 \int_0^{\frac{x}{\varepsilon^{3/4}}} e^{-\frac{3}{4}t^{4/3}} dt$$

where  $c_1$  is defined by (10). The value of  $c_1$  and the integral defining  $y_u(x, \varepsilon)$  can be evaluated numerically.

EXAMPLE

$$\varepsilon y'' + \frac{1}{1+x} y' + \varepsilon y = 0, \quad y(0) = 0, \quad y(1) = 1$$

Leading order outer problem (B-Layer at  $x=0$ )

$$\frac{1}{1+x} y_0' = 0 \quad y_0(1) = 1$$

yields

$$y_0(x) = 1$$

Inner problem  $y = \bar{Y}(x, \varepsilon)$ ,  $\bar{x} = \frac{x}{\varepsilon}$ ,  $0 < \bar{x} \ll 1$

$$(1) \quad \frac{\varepsilon}{\bar{s}^2} \bar{Y}'' + \frac{1}{(1+\bar{s}\bar{x})\bar{s}} \frac{1}{\bar{s}} \bar{Y}' + \varepsilon \bar{Y} = 0$$

$$\textcircled{1} \sim \textcircled{2} \gg \textcircled{3}$$

Choice  $s(\varepsilon) = \varepsilon$  makes  $\textcircled{1} \sim \textcircled{2}$  and (1) becomes

$$\bar{Y}'' + \frac{1}{1+\varepsilon\bar{x}} \bar{Y}' + \varepsilon^2 \bar{Y} = 0$$

leading problem / soln

$$\bar{Y}_0'' + \bar{Y}_0' = 0 \quad \bar{Y}_0(0) = 0$$

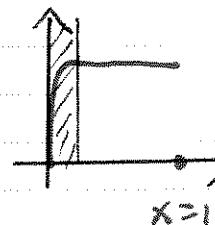
$$\bar{Y}_0(\bar{x}) = A(1 - e^{-\bar{x}})$$

Matching

$$M = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} y_0(x) = \lim_{\bar{x} \rightarrow \infty} \bar{Y}_0(\bar{x}) = A = 1$$

Uniform soln

$$y_u(x, \varepsilon) = y_0(x) + \bar{Y}_0\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right) - 1 = 1 - e^{-\frac{x}{\varepsilon}}$$



Known exact soln involves Bessel fns and is extremely complicated.

EXAMPLE

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} \varepsilon y'' + yy' + y^3 &= 0 \\ y(0) = 0 & \quad y(1) = 1 \end{aligned}}$$

nonlinear  
BVP

Outer expansion  $y(x, \varepsilon) = y_0(x) + o(1)$

$$(1) \quad y_0 y_0' + y_0^3 = 0 \quad y_0(1) = 1$$

where we have assumed a layer exists at  $x=0$ . The solution of the IVP (1) is.

$$y_0(x) = \frac{1}{x}$$

Inner expansion

$$y(x, \varepsilon) = \bar{Y}(\bar{x}, \varepsilon) \quad \bar{x} = \frac{x}{S(\varepsilon)}, \quad S \ll 1$$

then

$$\frac{\varepsilon}{S^2} \bar{Y}'' + \frac{1}{S} \bar{Y} \bar{Y}' + \bar{Y}^3 = 0$$

$$(1) \quad (2) \Rightarrow (3)$$

Choose  $S(\varepsilon) = \varepsilon$  so that  $(1) \sim (2)$  and then

$$\bar{Y}'' + \bar{Y} \bar{Y}' + \varepsilon \bar{Y}^3 = 0$$

For  $\bar{Y}(\bar{x}, \varepsilon) = \bar{Y}_0(\bar{x}) + o(1)$  we find the leading inner problem

$$(2) \quad \bar{Y}_0'' + \bar{Y}_0 \bar{Y}_0' = 0 \quad \bar{Y}_0(0) = 0$$

Solving this takes some work.

The soln (described in more detail at end)

$$Y_0(\bar{x}) = \frac{1}{\alpha} \tanh\left(\frac{\bar{x}}{2\alpha}\right) \quad \alpha > 0$$

where  $\alpha$  is unknown. In particular  $Y_0(0) = 0$ .

Matching

$$M = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} y_0(x) = \lim_{\bar{x} \rightarrow \infty} Y_0(\bar{x})$$

$$(3) \quad M = 1 = \frac{1}{\alpha}$$

where the latter is true since  $\tanh z \rightarrow 1$  as  $z \rightarrow +\infty$ . Conclude  $\alpha = 1$  and

$$Y_0(\bar{x}) = \tanh\left(\frac{\bar{x}}{2}\right)$$

Uniform Soln

$$y_u(x, \varepsilon) = y_0(x) + Y_0(\bar{x}) - M$$

$$(4) \quad y_u(x, \varepsilon) = \frac{1}{x} + \tanh\left(\frac{x}{2\varepsilon}\right) - 1$$

Details on solution of inner problem

Let  $\bar{x} \rightarrow x$  and  $Y_0 \rightarrow$  so we seek  
soln of

$$(5) \quad \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

Interchange dependent/independent variables

$$u(y) = \frac{dy}{dx}$$

From this

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = u'(y) \frac{dy}{dx} = u(y)u'(y)$$

Thus eqn (5) becomes

$$uu'(y) + yu = 0$$

$$u'(y) = -y$$

$$(6) \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = u(y) = -\frac{1}{2}y^2 + c_1 \quad \text{for some } c \in \mathbb{R}$$

Eqn (6) is separable

$$(7) \quad \frac{dy}{\frac{1}{2}y^2 - c_1} = -dx$$

Using tables to integrate (7) we get

$$(8) \quad \sqrt{2} \operatorname{arctanh}\left(\frac{y\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{c_1}}\right) = x + c_2$$

Invert

$$y(x) = \beta \tanh\left(\frac{1}{2}\beta(x + c_2)\right) \quad \beta = -\sqrt{2c_1}$$

Here  $c_2, \beta$  are unknown (arbitrary)  $\Rightarrow$  for  $I_0(0) = 0$

$$I_0(x) = \frac{1}{\alpha} \tanh\left(\frac{x}{2\alpha}\right)$$