

Math 413.  
Homework 3 Solutions.

#2.11  $\varepsilon x^4 - x - 1 = 0$

Regular perturbation:  $x \approx x_0 + \varepsilon^\alpha x_1 + \varepsilon^\beta x_2 + \dots$

$$\varepsilon(x_0 + \varepsilon^\alpha x_1 + \dots)^4 - (x_0 + \varepsilon^\alpha x_1 + \dots) - 1 = 0$$

$$O(1): x_0 + 1 = 0 \quad x_0 = -1$$

$$O(\varepsilon): \varepsilon x_0^4 - \varepsilon^\alpha x_1 = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha = 1$$

$$x_0^4 - x_1 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = 1$$

Hence  $x \approx -1 + \varepsilon + \dots$

This approximation only works for one of the roots. The other needs to be found by singular perturbation (as suggested by the fact that it goes to  $\infty$  as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ ).

Singular perturbation:  $\tilde{x} = \frac{x}{\varepsilon^\delta}$

$$\varepsilon^{1+\delta} \tilde{x}^4 - \varepsilon^\delta \tilde{x} - 1 = 0$$

$$O(\varepsilon^{1+\delta}) = O(\varepsilon^\delta) \Rightarrow 1+\delta = \delta \Rightarrow \delta = -\frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow \tilde{x} = \varepsilon^{-\frac{1}{3}} \cdot \tilde{x}$$

$O(\varepsilon^{-\frac{1}{3}}) < O(1)$  so this  $\delta$  value works.

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{x}^4 - \tilde{x} - \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{3}} = 0$$

$$\tilde{x} = \tilde{x}_0 + \varepsilon^\alpha \tilde{x}_1 + \varepsilon^\beta \tilde{x}_2 \Rightarrow$$

$$(\tilde{x}_0 + \varepsilon^\alpha \tilde{x}_1 + \dots)^4 - (\tilde{x}_0 + \varepsilon^\alpha \tilde{x}_1 + \dots) - \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{3}} = 0$$

$$O(1): \tilde{x}_0^4 - \tilde{x}_0 = 0 \quad \tilde{x}_0(\tilde{x}_0^3 - 1) = 0$$

$$\tilde{x}_0 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \tilde{x}_0 = 1$$

$$O(\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{3}}): 4\tilde{x}_0 \tilde{x}_1 \cdot \varepsilon^\alpha - \tilde{x}_1 \varepsilon^\alpha - \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{3}} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{1}{3} \text{ and } 4\tilde{x}_0 \tilde{x}_1 - \tilde{x}_1 - 1 = 0$$

$$\text{Case 1: } \tilde{x}_0 = 0, \tilde{x}_1 = -1 \Rightarrow \tilde{x} = -\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{3}} + \dots$$

Case 2:

$$\tilde{x}_0 = 1, \tilde{x}_1 = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{x} = 1 + \frac{1}{3}\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{3}} + \dots$$

$$x = \varepsilon^{-\frac{1}{3}}(1 + \frac{1}{3}\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{3}} + \dots)$$

Same as regular  
perturbation soln

#2.17

$$\begin{cases} \varepsilon y'' = a - y' & 0 < x < 1 \\ y(0) = 0 \\ y(1) = 1 \end{cases}$$

(a) BL @  $x=0$ :

Outer solution:  $y \sim y_0 + \varepsilon y_1 + \varepsilon^2 y_2$   
 $\varepsilon(y_0'' + \varepsilon y_1'' + \varepsilon^2 y_2'' + \dots) = a - y_0' - \varepsilon y_1' - \varepsilon^2 y_2' - \dots$

 $O(1): \begin{cases} y_0' = a \\ y_0(1) = 1 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} y_0 = ax + b \\ y_0(1) = a + b = 1 \Rightarrow b = 1 - a \end{cases}$ 
 $\Rightarrow \boxed{y_0 = ax + 1 - a}$

Inner solution:  $\tilde{x} = \frac{x}{\varepsilon} \Rightarrow \varepsilon^{1-2\delta} y'' = a - \varepsilon^{-\delta} y'$   
 $O(\varepsilon^{1-2\delta}) = O(\varepsilon^{-\delta}) \Rightarrow \delta = 1$

 $\Rightarrow \boxed{\tilde{x} = \frac{x}{\varepsilon}}$

$y'' + y' - \varepsilon a = 0$   
 $O(1): y \sim y_0 + \varepsilon y_1 + \varepsilon^2 y_2$   
 $\Rightarrow \begin{cases} y_0'' + y_0' = 0 \\ y_0(0) = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} r^2 + r = 0 \\ y_0 = C_1 + C_2 e^{-\tilde{x}} \\ y_0(0) = C_1 + C_2 = 0 \end{cases}$

 $\Rightarrow \boxed{y_0^{(2)} = C_1 - C_2 e^{-\tilde{x}}}$

Matching  $C_1 = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} y_0^{(2)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} y_0^{(1)} = 1 - a$   
 $\Rightarrow y_0^{(2)} = 1 - a - (1 - a)e^{-x/\varepsilon}$

So composite solution looks like

$$\begin{aligned} y &= y_0^{(1)} + y_0^{(2)} - y_0^{(1)}(0) = \\ &= ax + (1 - a) + 1 - a - (1 - a)e^{-x/\varepsilon} - (1 - a) \\ \Rightarrow y &= ax + (-a)(1 - e^{-x/\varepsilon}) \end{aligned}$$

(b) If  $a = 1$ , composite solution gives  $\boxed{y = x}$

Exact solution:  $\varepsilon y'' + y' = a \quad y_0 = ax$   
 $\varepsilon r^2 + r = 0$   
 $(\varepsilon r + 1)r = 0 \Rightarrow y = C_1 + C_2 e^{-x/\varepsilon} + ax$

 $\begin{cases} y(0) = C_1 + C_2 = 0 \\ y(1) = C_1 + C_2 e^{-1/\varepsilon} + a = 1 \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} C_1 + C_2 = 0 \\ C_1 + C_2 e^{-1/\varepsilon} + a = 1 \end{cases}$

So exact solution  $\boxed{y = x}$  matches composite.  $\Rightarrow C_1 = C_2 = 0$

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#2.17 (cont.)

(c) BL @  $x=1$

Outer:  $y_0^{(1)} = ax + b$   
 $y_0^{(1)}(0) = 0 \Rightarrow b = 0$ ,  $\boxed{y_0^{(1)} = ax}$

inner:  $\tilde{x} \sim \frac{x-1}{\varepsilon^2}$

Since equation does not depend on  $x$  explicitly,  
the form of the inner solution remains the same!

$$y_0^{(2)} = C_1 + C_2 e^{-\tilde{x}}, \quad x=1 \Rightarrow \tilde{x}=0$$

$$y_0^{(2)}(1) = 1 \Rightarrow C_1 + C_2 e^0 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{C_1 + C_2 = 1}$$

$$\boxed{y_0^{(2)} = 1 - C_2 e^{-\tilde{x}}} = 1 - C_2 e^{-\frac{x-1}{\varepsilon^2}}$$

Matching :  $a = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} y_0^{(1)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} y_0^{(2)} = 1 - C_2 + C_2 \cdot \infty$

This means that  $C_2 = 0$  and  $a = 1$   
are the only choices of parameters  
for which this procedure works  $\Rightarrow$   
not possible in general.

#2.23

$$\begin{cases} \varepsilon y'' - 3y' - y^4 = 0 \\ y(0) = 1, y'(1) = 1 \end{cases} \quad \text{BL @ } x=1$$

Outer:  $y \sim y_0 + \varepsilon y_1 + \varepsilon^2 y_2 + \dots$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{-3y_0' - y_0^4 = 0, \quad y_0(0) = 1}$$

$$\frac{3 dy_0}{dx} = -y_0^4 \Rightarrow \frac{dy_0}{dx} = -\frac{1}{3} y_0^4$$

$$\frac{dy_0}{y_0^4} = -\frac{1}{3} dx$$

$$-\frac{1}{3} y_0^{-3} = -\frac{1}{3} x + C$$

$$y_0^{-3} = x + C$$

$$\Rightarrow y_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{x+C}}$$

$$y_0(0) = 1 \Rightarrow C = 1$$

$$\boxed{y_0(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{1+x}}}$$

Inner:  $\tilde{x} = \frac{x-1}{\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}}$ ,  $x = 1 + \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}\tilde{x}$

$$\varepsilon^{1-2t} y'' - 3\varepsilon^{-t} y' - y^4 = 0$$

$$1-2t = -t \Rightarrow t=1 \Rightarrow \boxed{x = 1 + \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}\tilde{x}}$$

$$y'' - 3y' - \varepsilon y^4 = 0$$

$$y'' - 3y' = \varepsilon y^4, y \approx y_0 + y_1 \varepsilon + y_2 \varepsilon^2 + \dots$$

$O(1)$ :  $y_0'' - 3y_0' = 0 \quad r^2 - 3r = 0$   
 $y_0(0) = 1 \quad r(r-3) = 0$   
 $x = 1 \Rightarrow \tilde{x} = 0 \quad y_0 = C_1 + C_2 e^{3\tilde{x}}$   
 $y_0(0) = C_1 + C_2 = 1 \quad \Rightarrow C_2 = 1 - C_1$

$$y_0^{(2)}(x) = C_1 + (1 - C_1) e^{\frac{3(x-1)}{\varepsilon}}$$

Matching:  $2^{\frac{1}{3}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} y_0^{(1)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} y_0^{(2)} = C_1$

$$\Rightarrow y_0^{(2)} = 2^{-\frac{1}{3}} + (1 - 2^{-\frac{1}{3}}) e^{\frac{3(x-1)}{\varepsilon}}$$

Composite solution:  $y = y_0^{(1)} + y_0^{(2)} - y_0^{(1)}(1)$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{1+x}} + \cancel{2^{-\frac{1}{3}}} + (1 - 2^{-\frac{1}{3}}) e^{\frac{3(x-1)}{\varepsilon}} - \cancel{2^{-\frac{1}{3}}}$$

$$\boxed{y = \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{1+x}} + (1 - 2^{-\frac{1}{3}}) e^{\frac{3(x-1)}{\varepsilon}}}$$

Part II:  $\begin{cases} \varepsilon y'' + y' = 2x \\ y(0) = 1, y(1) = 1 \end{cases}$

Outer:  $y_0' = 2x \quad (y \sim y_0 + \varepsilon y_1 + \dots)$   
 $y_0 = x^2 + C$   
 $y_0(1) = 1 = 1 + C \Rightarrow C = 0, \boxed{y_0^{(1)} = x^2}$

Inner:  $\tilde{x} = \frac{x}{\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}} \Rightarrow \varepsilon^{1-2t} y'' + \varepsilon^{-t} y' = 2\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}\tilde{x}$   
 $1-2t = -t \Rightarrow \boxed{t=1} \quad O(\varepsilon^{-1}) < O(\varepsilon)$

$$\Rightarrow y'' + y' = 2\varepsilon^2 \tilde{x}$$

$O(1)$ :  $y_0'' + y_0' = 0$   
 $y_0 = C_1 + C_2 e^{-\tilde{x}}$

$$\boxed{y_0(0) = C_1 + C_2 = 1 \Rightarrow C_1 = 1 - C_2}$$

$$\boxed{y_0^{(2)} = 1 - C_2 + C_2 e^{-x/\varepsilon}}$$

Matching:  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} y_0^{(1)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} y_0^{(2)} = 1 - C_2 \Rightarrow C_2 = 1, \boxed{y = x^2 + e^{-x/\varepsilon}}$  (4)