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# Asymptotic problems of fluid dynamics - Fluid Dynamics II

## Exercise 3 - Page 53

These analyses are the first draft of solutions to the exercise in the book by Ruban (2015).

- Question1: assuming the solution has the following form

$$y(x, \epsilon) = y_0(x) + \epsilon y_1(x) + O(\epsilon^2). \quad (1)$$

by substituting (1) into the IVP and we find the leading order terms are  $O(1)$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2 y_0(x)}{dx^2} + y_0(x) &= 0, \\ y_0(0) &= 0, \quad \frac{dy_0}{dx} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}, \end{aligned}$$

solution to the IVP is

$$y_0(x) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \sin x.$$

the second term  $O(\epsilon)$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2 y_1(x)}{dx^2} + y_1(x) &= y_0^3(x) - y_0(x), \\ y_1(0) &= 0, \quad \frac{dy_1}{dx} = 0, \end{aligned}$$

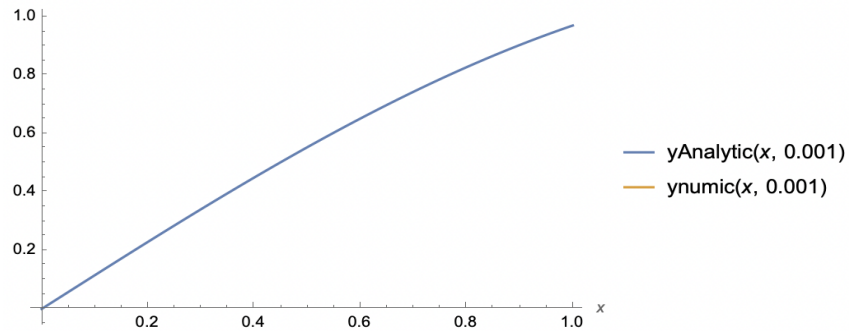
which yields to

$$y_1(x) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{27}} \sin 3x.$$

Composing the final solution is

$$y(x, \epsilon) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \sin x + \frac{2}{3\epsilon} \sin 3x.$$

The analytical solution above matches the numerical solution for  $\epsilon = 0.001$  obtained using Mathematica



**Figure 1:** Numerical vs Asymptotic solutions - Question 1.

Note that the code for the numerical solutions are provided in a different file.

- Question 2: The general solution is found by assuming  $y = e^{\lambda x}$  and then substitute this solution into the differential equation. As a result we find that

$$\epsilon\lambda^2 + \lambda + 1 = 0, \quad \lambda_{1,2} = -\frac{1}{2\epsilon} \pm \sqrt{\frac{1}{4\epsilon^2} - \frac{1}{\epsilon}},$$

the general solution has the following form

$$y = Ae^{\lambda_1 x} + Be^{\lambda_2 x}.$$

$A$  and  $B$  are constant that are found using initial conditions and matching inner and outer solutions. Using the initial condition we find the final solution is

$$y = \frac{e^{\lambda_1 x} - e^{\lambda_2 x}}{e^{\lambda_1} - e^{\lambda_2}}.$$

- Question 3: First we find the outer solution by assuming the solution has the form (1). By substituting (1) into the IVP and we find the leading order terms are  $O(1)$

$$y_0(x) = \cos x,$$

Now we turn attention to the inner solution. Let  $X = \frac{x}{\delta}$  and we find the balanced dominant terms when  $\delta = \epsilon$ . The inner solution is denoted by  $Y(X)$  and the dominant terms are

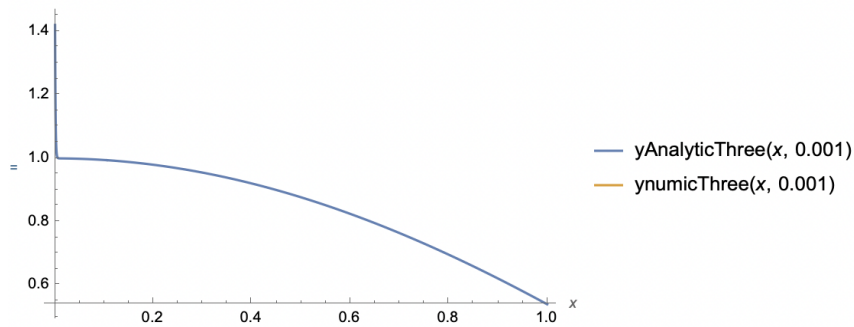
$$\frac{dY}{dX} + Y = 0,$$

and the solution is

$$Y(X) = e^{-X} + 1,$$

the final solution is

$$y(x; \epsilon) = \cos x + e^{-x/\epsilon} + \dots$$



**Figure 2:** Numerical vs Asymptotic solutions - Question 3.

- Question 4: We find the outer solution to be  $y_0 = -1$ . The location of the boundary layer is defined as  $x = x_0 + \epsilon^\alpha X$  and consider two cases (i)  $x_0 = 0$  and (ii)  $x_0 = 1$ . To get the balanced dominant terms we need to let  $\alpha = 1/2$ . For case (i) using initial condition  $y(0) = 0$  we find the solution to be

$$Y_0^L = (1 - B)e^{x/\sqrt{\epsilon}} + Be^{-x/\sqrt{\epsilon}} - 1,$$

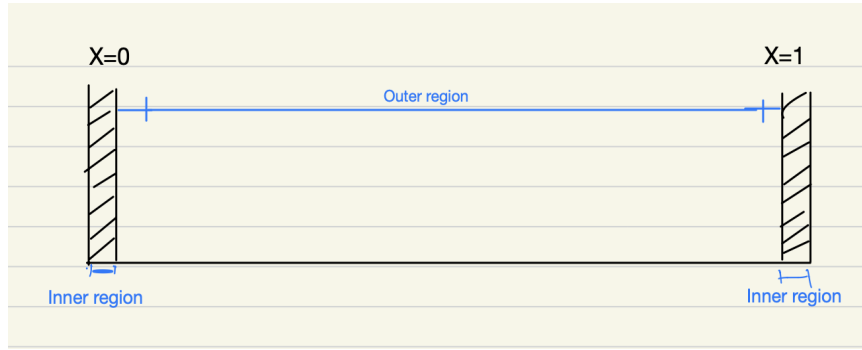
by matching the inner and outer solutions as  $x \rightarrow \infty$ , we find  $B = 1$ . For case (ii) using initial condition  $y(1) = 2$

$$Y_0^R = (3 - B)e^{(x-1)/\sqrt{\epsilon}} + Be^{-(x-1)/\sqrt{\epsilon}} - 1.$$

Matching the inner solutions with the outer solution

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{X \rightarrow \infty} (1 - B)e^{x/\sqrt{\epsilon}} + Be^{-x/\sqrt{\epsilon}} - 1 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} -1 \rightarrow B = 1 \\ \lim_{X \rightarrow -\infty} (3 - B)e^{(x-1)/\sqrt{\epsilon}} + Be^{-(x-1)/\sqrt{\epsilon}} - 1 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} -1 \rightarrow B = 0, \end{aligned}$$

we find that  $B = 1$  from left and  $B = 0$  from right side. By looking at the inner solution we can see that correct values for  $B$  eliminate the terms that cause the solutions to grow to infinity. In our analysis we do not want keep the terms that grow exponentially.



**Figure 3:** Schematic of different regions for Question 4.

- Question 5: First we find the outer solution by assuming the solution has the form (1). By substituting (1) into the IVP and we find the leading order terms are  $O(1)$ . The boundary layer is at  $x_0 = 1$  thus we use the i.c  $y_0(0) = 1$  which yields to  $c = 1$ . The outer solution is

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

The inner solution is found by letting  $x = 1 + \epsilon^\alpha X$  and  $\alpha = 1$ . The leading order term for the inner region are

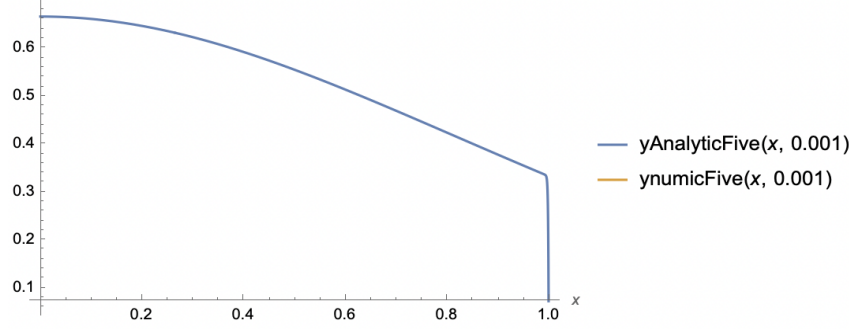
$$\frac{d^2 Y}{dX^2} - \frac{dY}{dX} = 0.$$

and the solution to this equation is  $Y(X) = B(e^X - 1)$ . We find the constant  $B$  by matching the inner and outer solution

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{2}{x^2 + 2} = \lim_{X \rightarrow -\infty} B(e^X - 1).$$

This leads to  $B = -2/3$ . Consequently we find the composite solution to be

$$y(x; \epsilon) = \frac{2}{x^2 + 2} - \frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3}e^{(x-1)/\epsilon} + \dots$$



**Figure 4:** Numerical vs Asymptotic solutions - Question 5.

- Question 6: First we find the outer solution by assuming the solution has the form (1). By substituting (1) into the IVP and we find the leading order terms are  $O(1)$  with the initial condition  $y_0(1) = 1$ .

$$(x - 2) \frac{dy_0}{dx} + y_0 = 0$$

and the solution is

$$y_0 = e^{1/2+1/(x-2)}$$

The inner solution is found by letting  $x = 1 + \epsilon X$ . This yields to the dominant terms to be

$$\frac{d^2 Y}{dX^2} - \frac{dY}{dX} = 0$$

Considering the i.c.  $Y(0) = 1$  gives the following solution

$$Y(X) = 1 + B(e^X - 1).$$

We find the constant  $B$  by matching the inner and outer solution as

$$\lim_{X \rightarrow -\infty} 1 + B(e^X - 1) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{2}{x - 2}.$$

This leads to  $B = 3$ . The final solution is

$$y_{\text{com}} = \frac{2}{x - 2} + 2e^{(x-1)/\epsilon} - 4.$$

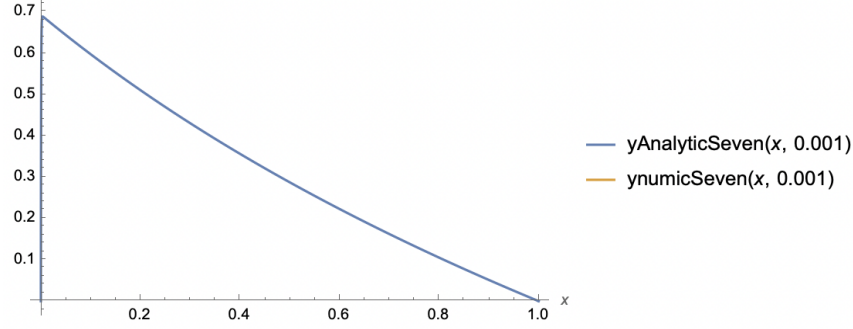
- Question 7: Outer solution is

$$y_0 = -\ln\left(\frac{x+1}{2}\right)$$

Considering the i.c.  $Y(0) = 0$  and setting  $x = \epsilon X$  gives the following inner solution

$$Y_{XX} + 2Y_X = 0, \quad \rightarrow \quad Y(X) = B(e^{-2X} - 1)$$

$$\lim_{X \rightarrow -\infty} B(e^{-2X} - 1) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} -\ln\left(\frac{x+1}{2}\right).$$



**Figure 5:** Numerical vs Asymptotic solutions - Question 5.

gives  $B = -\ln(2)$ . Consequently we find the final solution to be

$$y(x; \epsilon) = -\ln(x+1) + \ln 2 (1 - e^{-2x/\epsilon}) + \dots$$

- Question 8: Outer solution is

$$y_0 = e^{2\sqrt{x}}$$

where  $y_0(1) = e^2$ . Considering the i.c.  $Y(0) = 0$  and setting  $x = \epsilon^{2/3}X$  gives the following inner solution

$$\begin{aligned} Y_{XX} + \left(X^{1/2} - \frac{1}{2X}\right)Y_X &= 0, \\ Y(X) &= B_1 - e^{-\frac{2}{3}X^{3/2}+B_0}. \end{aligned}$$

Using the initial condition  $Y(0) = 0$  gives us  $B_1 = e^{B_0}$  and the following

$$Y(X) = e^{B_0} - e^{-\frac{2}{3}X^{3/2}+B_0}$$

By matching the inner and outer solutions

$$\lim_{X \rightarrow \infty} e^{B_0} - e^{-\frac{2}{3}X^{3/2}+B_0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} e^{2\sqrt{x}}.$$

gives  $B_0 = 0$ . The outer solution is

$$Y(X) = 1 - e^{-\frac{2}{3}X^{3/2}}.$$

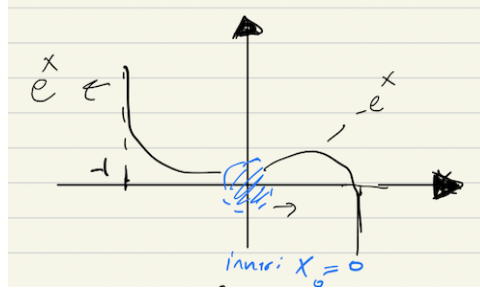
Consequently we find the final solution to be

$$y(x; \epsilon) = 1 - e^{-\frac{2}{3}(x/\epsilon)^{3/2}} + e^{2\sqrt{x}}.$$

- Question 9:

Outer (left) solution is

$$y_0^L = e^{x^2/2}$$



**Figure 6:** Schematic of different regions for Question 9.

and outer (right) solution is

$$y_0^R = -e^{x^2/2}$$

where  $y_0(1) = 0$ . Considering the i.c.  $Y(0) = 0$  and setting  $x = \epsilon^{2/3}X$  gives the following inner solution

$$Y_{XX} + XY_X = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad Y(X) = B_1 + B_2 \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{X}{\sqrt{2}}\right).$$

$\operatorname{erf}(0) = 0$ ,  $\operatorname{erf}(-\infty) = -1$  and  $\operatorname{erf}(\infty) = 1$ . From left

$$\lim_{X \rightarrow -\infty} B_1^L = \lim_{x \rightarrow -1} 1.$$

from right

$$\lim_{X \rightarrow \infty} B_1^R = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} -1.$$

## Questions

The questions to the solutions are posed by Ruban (2015).

## References

Ruban, A. I. (2015), ‘Fluid dynamics. part 2, asymptotic problems of fluid dynamics’.