

# MEK4100

## Mandatory assignment 1

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### Problem 3

a)

We have the following parameters:

$$\begin{array}{lll} c : \left(\frac{L}{T}\right) & \rho : \left(\frac{M}{L^3}\right) & g : \left(\frac{L}{T^2}\right) \\ \sigma : \left(\frac{M}{T^2}\right) & \lambda : L & a : L \end{array}$$

6 parameters - 3 dimensional units = 3 dimensionless numbers.

$$\pi_1 = \frac{\sigma}{\rho g \lambda^2} \quad , \quad \pi_2 = \frac{c^2}{g \lambda} = \frac{c}{\sqrt{g \lambda}} \quad , \quad \pi_3 = \frac{a}{\lambda}$$

b)

$$\text{when } a \rightarrow 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \pi_3 \rightarrow 0$$

so we have that  $G(\pi_1, \pi_2) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow c = \sqrt{g \lambda} f(\pi_1) = \sqrt{g \lambda} f\left(\frac{\sigma}{\rho g \lambda^2}\right)$$

where  $\pi_1$  expresses the importance of surface tension in relation to gravity, concerning the wave celerity.

## Problem 12

We have the following equation:

$$x^2 - 2x + 1 = \epsilon(1 + 2x)$$

a)

For this part of the exercise we are going to try the straightforward, naive, perturbation scheme.

We assume  $x = x_0 + \epsilon x_1 + \epsilon^2 x_2 + \dots$

$$\Rightarrow (x_0 + \epsilon x_1 + \epsilon^2 x_2)^2 - 2(x_0 + \epsilon x_1 + \epsilon^2 x_2) + 1 - \epsilon - 2\epsilon(x_0 + \epsilon x_1 + \epsilon^2 x_2) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow & x_0^2 + x_0 x_1 \epsilon + x_0 x_2 \epsilon^2 + x_0 x_1 \epsilon + x_1^2 \epsilon^2 + x_1 x_2 \epsilon^3 + x_0 x_2 \epsilon^2 + x_1 x_2 \epsilon^3 + x_2^2 \epsilon^4 \\ & - 2x_0 - 2x_1 \epsilon - 2x_2 \epsilon^2 + 1 - \epsilon - 2\epsilon x_0 - 2\epsilon^2 x_1 - 2x_2 \epsilon^3 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow x_0^2 - 2x_0 + 1 + \epsilon(2x_0 x_1 - 2x_1 - 1 - 2x_0) + \epsilon^2(2x_0 x_2 + x_1^2 - 2x_1 - 2x_2) = 0$$

We can now collect the terms for  $\epsilon^0$  and  $\epsilon^1$ .

$$\epsilon^0 : x_0^2 - 2x_0 + 1 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x_0 = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon^1 : 2x_0 x_1 - 2x_1 &= 1 + 2x_0 \quad (\text{here we can set } x_0 = 1) \\ \Rightarrow 2x_1 - 2x_1 &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

This gives us that  $0 = 3$  which clearly means that we get a break down of the direct perturbation technique.

So  $x = x_0 + \epsilon x_1$  must be an invalid form for the solution.

b)

In this part of the exercise, we are going to employ a general type expansion  $x = x_0 + x_1 + x_2 + \dots$ , where  $x_0 \gg x_1 \gg x_2 \dots$ , when  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+$

We try at first a solution of the form:  $x = x_0 + x_1$  where  $x_0 = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow (x_0 + x_1)^2 - 2(x_0 + x_1) + 1 &= \epsilon(1 + 2x_0 + 2x_1) \\ 1 + 2x_1 + x_1^2 - 2 - 2x_1 + 1 &= \epsilon(3 + 2x_1) \\ \Rightarrow x_1^2 &= 3\epsilon + 2\epsilon x_1 \end{aligned}$$

$$x_1^2 - 2\epsilon x_1 - 3\epsilon = 0$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \textcircled{2} \quad \textcircled{3}$$

Now we can use the method of dominant balancing on these 3 terms to find  $x_1$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\textcircled{1} \sim \textcircled{2} &\Rightarrow x_1^2 - 2\epsilon x_1 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 - 2\epsilon = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = 2\epsilon \\ &\Rightarrow \textcircled{3} \gg \textcircled{1} \text{ and } \textcircled{2} \quad \text{NO!}\end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \sim \textcircled{3} \Rightarrow x_1^2 - 3\epsilon = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = \pm\sqrt{3\epsilon} \quad \text{OK!}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \sim \textcircled{3} \Rightarrow -2\epsilon x_1 - 3\epsilon = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = \frac{-3}{2} \quad \text{which gives us } \frac{9}{4} = 0 \quad \text{so NO!}$$

Then we have that  $x_1 = \pm\sqrt{3\epsilon}$  and  $x_0 = 1$ . In order to find an expression for  $x_2$  we need to try with a solution of the form  $x = x_0 + x_1 + x_2$ , which gives us the following expression:

$$(x_0 + x_1 + x_2)^2 - 2(x_0 + x_1 + x_2) + 1 = \epsilon(1 + 2(x_0 + x_1 + x_2))$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow x_0^2 + x_0x_1 + x_0x_2 + x_0x_1 + x_1^2 + x_1x_2 + x_2x_0 + x_2x_1 + x_2^2 - 2x_0 - 2x_1 - 2x_2 + 1 \\ = \epsilon(1 + 2x_0 + 2x_1 + 2x_2)\end{aligned}$$

We can now insert the values we found for  $x_0$  and  $x_1$  into the expression above. This will give us:

$$\begin{aligned}1 \pm \sqrt{3\epsilon} + x_2 \pm \sqrt{3\epsilon} + 3\epsilon \pm \sqrt{3\epsilon}x_2 + x_2 \pm \sqrt{3\epsilon}x_2 + x_2^2 - 2 \pm 2\sqrt{3\epsilon} - 2x_2 + 1 \\ = \epsilon(3 \pm 2\sqrt{3\epsilon} + 2x_2)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow x_2^2 \pm 2x_2\sqrt{3\epsilon} - 2\epsilon x_2 \pm 2\epsilon\sqrt{3\epsilon} = 0 \\ \textcircled{1} \quad \textcircled{2} \quad \textcircled{3} \quad \textcircled{4}\end{aligned}$$

Again we can use the method of dominant balancing on these 4 terms to find  $x_2$

$$\textcircled{1} \sim \textcircled{2} \Rightarrow x_2^2 \pm 2x_2\sqrt{3\epsilon} = 0 \Rightarrow x_2 = \pm 2\sqrt{3\epsilon}$$

This gives us  $x_2 > x_1$ , but we know that  $x_0 \gg x_1 \gg x_2$  so NO!

$$\textcircled{1} \sim \textcircled{3} \Rightarrow x_2^2 - 2\epsilon x_2 = 0 \Rightarrow x_2 = 2\epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow \textcircled{1} \sim \epsilon^2 \quad \textcircled{2} \sim \epsilon^{\frac{3}{2}} \quad \textcircled{3} \sim \epsilon^2 \quad \textcircled{4} \sim \epsilon^{\frac{3}{2}}$$

we can see that  $\textcircled{1}$  and  $\textcircled{3} < \textcircled{2}$  and  $\textcircled{4}$  so NO!

$$\textcircled{1} \sim \textcircled{4} \Rightarrow x_2^2 \pm 2\epsilon\sqrt{3\epsilon} = 0 \Rightarrow x_2 = \pm\sqrt{2\epsilon}\sqrt[4]{3\epsilon} \sim \epsilon^{\frac{3}{4}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \textcircled{1} \sim \epsilon^{\frac{6}{4}} \quad \textcircled{2} \sim \epsilon^{\frac{5}{4}} \quad \textcircled{3} \sim \epsilon^{\frac{7}{4}} \quad \textcircled{4} \sim \epsilon^{\frac{3}{4}}$$

we can see that  $\textcircled{1} < \textcircled{2}$  so NO!

$$\textcircled{2} \sim \textcircled{3} \Rightarrow \pm 2x_2\sqrt{3\epsilon} - 2\epsilon x_2 = 0 \Rightarrow x_2 = 0 \quad \text{NO!}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \sim \textcircled{4} \Rightarrow 2x_2\sqrt{3\epsilon} \pm 2\epsilon\sqrt{3\epsilon} = 0 \Rightarrow x_2 = \epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow \textcircled{1} \sim \epsilon^2 \quad \textcircled{2} \sim \epsilon^{\frac{3}{2}} \quad \textcircled{3} \sim \epsilon^2 \quad \textcircled{4} \sim \epsilon^{\frac{3}{2}} \quad \text{OK!}$$

We have now found that

$$x = x_1 + x_1 + x_3 = 1 \pm \sqrt{3\epsilon} + \epsilon$$

**c)**

In this part of the exercise we are going to solve  $(x - 1)^n = \epsilon x$ . We can start by solving the unperturbed problem to find  $x_0$ .

$$(x_0 - 1)^n = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x_0 = 1 \quad \text{when } n \text{ is a positive integer}$$

Now we can try with a solution of the form  $x = x_0 + x_1$  to find  $x_1$

$$\begin{aligned} ((x_0 + x_1) - 1)^n &= \epsilon(x_0 + x_1) \\ ((1 + x_1) - 1)^n &= \epsilon + \epsilon x_1 \end{aligned}$$

$$x_1^n - \epsilon x_1 - \epsilon = 0$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \textcircled{2} \quad \textcircled{3}$$

Dominant balance method:

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} \sim \textcircled{2} &\Rightarrow x_1^n - \epsilon x_1 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1^{n-1} = \epsilon \Rightarrow x_1 = \epsilon^{\frac{1}{n-1}} \\ &\Rightarrow \textcircled{1} \sim \epsilon^{\frac{n}{n-1}} \quad \textcircled{2} \sim \epsilon^{\frac{n}{n-1}} \quad \textcircled{3} \sim \epsilon \\ n \neq 1 &\Rightarrow n \geq 2 \Rightarrow \textcircled{1} \text{ and } \textcircled{2} \ll \textcircled{3} \quad \text{NO!} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} \sim \textcircled{3} &\Rightarrow x_1^n - \epsilon = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = \epsilon^{\frac{1}{n}} \\ &\Rightarrow \textcircled{1} \sim \epsilon \quad \textcircled{2} \sim \epsilon^{\frac{n+1}{n}} \quad \textcircled{3} \sim \epsilon \\ \textcircled{1} \text{ and } \textcircled{3} &\gg \textcircled{2} \quad \text{OK!} \end{aligned}$$

This gives us:

$$x = 1 + \epsilon^{\frac{1}{n}}$$

## Problem 14

We have the following first order, non separable differential equation:

$$\begin{aligned}y' + y + \epsilon xy^2 &= 0 \\ y(0) &= 1\end{aligned}$$

where  $\epsilon$  is very small.

We can begin with solving the unperturbed problem to find  $y_0$ .

$$\begin{aligned}y' + y &= 0 && \text{This equation is separable} \\ \frac{y'}{y} &= -1 &\Rightarrow \ln(y) = -x + C &\Rightarrow y = e^{-x+C} = Ce^{-x} \\ y(0) &= 1 &\Rightarrow y(0) = Ce^0 = 1 &\Rightarrow C = 1 \\ &&& \Rightarrow y_0 = e^{-x}\end{aligned}$$

In order to find  $y_1$ , we can try with a solution of the form:  $y = y_0 + \epsilon y_1$

$$(y_0 + \epsilon y_1)' + (y_0 + \epsilon y_1) + \epsilon x(y_0 + \epsilon y_1)^2 = 0$$

The initial condition then becomes:

$$y_0(0) + \epsilon y_1(0) = 1 \quad \text{where:} \quad y_0(0) = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad y_1(0) = 0$$

$$y_0' + \epsilon y_1' + y_0 + \epsilon y_1 + \epsilon xy_0^2 + 2\epsilon^2 xy_0 y_1 + \epsilon^3 xy_1^2 = 0$$

We can then collect all the terms for  $\epsilon^0$ ,  $\epsilon^1$ ,  $\epsilon^2$  and  $\epsilon^3$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon^0 : y_0' + y_0 &= 0 \\ \epsilon^1 : y_1' + y_1 + xy_0^2 &= 0 &\Rightarrow y_1' + y_1 + xe^{-2x} = 0 \\ \epsilon^2 : 2xy_0 y_1 &= 0 \\ \epsilon^3 : xy_1^2 &= 0\end{aligned}$$

We can see that we need to solve  $y_1' + y_1 + xe^{-2x} = 0$  with initial condition  $y_1(0) = 0$  to find  $y_1$ .

The integrating factor is  $\mu(x) = e^{\int 1 dx} = e^x$ .

$$\begin{aligned}e^x y_1' + e^x y_1 &= e^x (-xe^{-2x}) = -e^{-x}x \\ \frac{d}{dx}(e^x y_1(x)) &= -e^{-x}x \\ \Rightarrow e^x y_1 &= \int -e^{-x}x dx = -\int e^{-x}x dx\end{aligned}$$

We can then integrate by parts:

$$\Rightarrow \quad - \int e^{-x} dx = e^{-x} x + \int e^{-x} dx$$

We can then use substitution in the integral:  $u = -x \quad du = -dx$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \quad e^{-x} x + \int e^u &= x e^{-x} + e^u + C = x e^{-x} + e^{-x} + C = e^{-x}(x + 1) + C \\ e^x y_1 &= e^{-x}(x + 1) + C = x e^{-x} + e^{-x} + C \\ y &= x e^{-2x} + e^{-2x} + C e^{-x} = e^{-2x}(x + 1 + C e^x) \end{aligned}$$

The initial condition gives:

$$y_1(0) = e^0 + C e^0 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad 1 + C = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad C = -1$$

We will then have:

$$\begin{aligned} y_1 &= e^{-2x}(x - e^x + 1) = x e^{-2x} + e^{-2x} - e^{-x} \\ \Rightarrow \quad y &= y_0 + \epsilon y_1 = e^{-x} + x e^{-2x} + e^{-2x} - e^{-x} = e^{-x} + \epsilon((x + 1)e^{-2x} - e^{-x}) \end{aligned}$$