

## §4 Matched asymptotic expansions

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### 4.1 Singular perturbations

Consider a differential equation of the form  $D_\varepsilon y = 0$  ↙ small parameter  $\varepsilon$ .

↳ naturally we would look at  $D_0 y = 0$  as an approximation for the solution.

However - problem if  $\varepsilon$  multiplies the highest derivative eg  $d^k y / dx^k$  since then taking  $\varepsilon = 0$  reduces the order of the problem.

↳ an issue since  $D_\varepsilon y = 0$  is a  $k^{\text{th}}$  order eqn with  $k$  boundary conditions but  $D_0 y = 0$  is a  $(k-1)^{\text{th}}$  order eqn with  $k$  boundary conditions - they cannot, in general, all be satisfied.

- called a singular perturbation problem.

Example  $\varepsilon y'' + y' + y = 0$  for  $x \in (0,1)$  with  $y(0) = a$  and  $y(1) = b$ .

$\varepsilon = 0$   $y' + y = 0 \Rightarrow y = Ae^{-x}$  which cannot satisfy  $y(0) = a$   
 $y(1) = b$

Interpretation and procedure - the method of matched asymptotic expansions

One possible explanation: If  $y$  satisfies  $D_\varepsilon y = 0$  then

- over most of the range,  $\varepsilon d^k y / dx^k$  is small, and  $y$  approximately satisfies  $D_0 y = 0$ .

- in certain regions (often at the ends of the range),  $\varepsilon d^k y / dx^k$  is not small and  $y$  adjusts itself to the boundary conditions (ie it varies rapidly).

↑ regions often known as boundary layers

Procedure

- ① determine the scaling of the boundary layers (eg  $x \propto \varepsilon / \varepsilon^{1/2}$  etc)
- ② rescale the independent variable in the boundary layer
- ③ find the asymptotic expansions in, and outside of, the boundary layers.
- ④ fix the arbitrary constants
  - obey problem boundary conditions
  - match - inner and outer solutions.

| called inner and outer solutions.

Back to the example:  $\epsilon y'' + y' + y = 0$  with  $x(0) = a, y(0) = b$ . (47)

(NB can be solved exactly, but will pretend o/w, for now...)

### Scaling

Near  $x=0$ : let  $x_L = \frac{x}{\epsilon^\alpha}$

$$\frac{d}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx_L} \frac{dx_L}{dx} = \epsilon^{-\alpha} \frac{d}{dx_L}$$

↑ local variable for inspecting BL on LHS.

$$\frac{d^2}{dx^2} = \epsilon^{-2\alpha} \frac{d^2}{dx_L^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \epsilon^{1-2\alpha} \frac{d^2 y_L}{dx_L^2} + \epsilon^{-\alpha} \frac{dy_L}{dx_L} + y_L = 0$$

Significant in the BL  $\Rightarrow$  increase  $\alpha$  until this term balances the largest of the others

$$\text{i.e. } 1-2\alpha = \min(-\alpha, 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = 1$$

$$\text{Hence } x_L = \frac{x}{\epsilon}$$

(NB choosing  $\alpha$  larger, to balance 1st and 3rd terms gives second term of  $O(\epsilon^{-\frac{1}{2}})$  which is bigger than the other two...)

Similarly,  $x_R = \frac{(x-1)}{\epsilon}$  (or,  $x = 1 + \epsilon x_R$ ) so that  $x_R < 0$ .

Expand LH:  $y(x) = y_L(x_L) = y_{L0}(x_L) + \epsilon y_{L1}(x_L) + \dots$  ( $x_L = \frac{x}{\epsilon}$ )

middle:  $y(x) = y_m(x) = y_{m0}(x) + \epsilon y_{m1}(x) + \dots$

RH:  $y(x) = y_R(x_R) = y_{R0}(x_R) + \epsilon y_{R1}(x_R) + \dots$  ( $x_R = \frac{(x-1)}{\epsilon}$ )

Solution on the left (inner left)

$$\frac{d^2 y_L}{dx_L^2} + \frac{dy_L}{dx} + \epsilon y_L = 0 \Rightarrow O(1): \frac{d^2 y_{L0}}{dx_L^2} + \frac{dy_{L0}}{dx_L} = 0$$

$$O(\epsilon): \frac{d^2 y_{L1}}{dx_L^2} + \frac{dy_{L1}}{dx_L} + y_{L0} = 0$$

$$\therefore y_{L0}(x_L) = A_{L0} + B_{L0} e^{-x_L}$$

forcing term for  $y_{L1}$

$$y_{L1}(x_L) = A_{L1} + B_{L1} e^{-x_L} + (B_{L0} x_L e^{-x_L} - A_{L0} x_L)$$

$$\text{with } y_{L0}(0) = \underline{a} = A_{L0} + B_{L0}$$

Solution in the middle (outer)

$$\epsilon \frac{d^2 y_m}{dx^2} + \frac{dy_m}{dx} + y_m = 0 \Rightarrow O(1): \frac{dy_{m0}}{dx} + y_{m0} = 0$$

$$O(\epsilon): \frac{d^2 y_{m0}}{dx^2} + \frac{dy_{m1}}{dx} + y_{m1} = 0$$

inhomogeneous part

$$\therefore y_{m0}(x) = A_{m0} e^{-x}$$

$$y_{m1}(x) = A_{m1} e^{-x} - A_{m0} x e^{-x}$$

} we will match solutions to determine  $A_{m0}, A_{m1}$

Solution on the right (inner right)

$$\frac{d^2 y_R}{dx_R^2} + \frac{dy_R}{dx_R} + \epsilon y_R = 0 \Rightarrow O(1): \frac{d^2 y_{R0}}{dx_R^2} + \frac{dy_{R0}}{dx_R} = 0$$

$(x_R < 0)$

$$O(\epsilon): \frac{d^2 y_{R1}}{dx_R^2} + \frac{dy_{R1}}{dx_R} + y_{R0} = 0$$

inhom. part.

$$\therefore y_{R0}(x_R) = A_{R0} + B_{R0} e^{-x_R}$$

$$y_{R1}(x_R) = A_{R1} + B_{R1} e^{-x_R} + (B_{R0} x_R e^{-x_R} - A_{R0} x_R)$$

Boundary condition @  $x=1 \Rightarrow y_{R1}(0) = \underline{b = A_{R0} + B_{R0}}$

Matching to establish lowest order coefficients

- Have five constants:  $A_{l0}, B_{l0}, A_{m0}, A_{R0}, B_{R0}$

and two equations:  $A_{l0} + B_{l0} = a$  and  $A_{R0} + B_{R0} = b$

- we obtain three more conditions by matching.

↳ Idea:  $\exists$  overlap region where both expansions should hold, and hence be equal.

$$e.g. y_L(x_L) \sim y_m(x) \text{ as } x_L = \frac{x}{\epsilon} \rightarrow \infty \text{ and } x \rightarrow 0.$$

One approach - introduce a scaling - should be 'intermediate'

$$\text{ie } \hat{x} = \frac{x}{\epsilon^\alpha} \text{ where } 0 < \alpha < 1.$$

Then, with  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+$  and  $\hat{x}$  fixed,  $x = \epsilon^\alpha \hat{x} \rightarrow 0$   
 $x_L = \epsilon^{\alpha-1} \hat{x} \rightarrow \infty$

as  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$  then  $x \rightarrow 0$  and outer soln  $\rightarrow$  that of the BL, and  $x_L \rightarrow \infty$  so inner soln tends to the value in the interior

Matching at the LH end: we want  $y_L(\epsilon^{\alpha-1} \hat{x}) \sim y_m(\epsilon^\alpha \hat{x})$  as  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+$

ie they generate the same expansion with  $\hat{x} > 0, \hat{x} \sim \text{ord}(1)$ .

$$y_L = A_{L0} + B_{L0} e^{-\epsilon^{\alpha-1} \hat{x}} + o(\epsilon) = A_{L0} + o(\epsilon)$$

since  $\alpha \in (0,1)$  then this term is exp. small as  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+$

$$y_m = A_{m0} e^{-\epsilon^\alpha \hat{x}} + o(\epsilon) = A_{m0} (1 - \epsilon^\alpha \hat{x} + \dots) + o(\epsilon)$$

Hence, at leading order, (as  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+$ )  $A_{L0} = A_{m0}$

ie y values need to match - the outer limit of the inner problem matches the inner limit of the outer problem.

Matching at the RH end: this time use  $x = 1 + \epsilon^\alpha \tilde{x}$  ie  $\tilde{x} = \frac{x-1}{\epsilon^\alpha} \leq 0$   
So that  $x_R = \frac{x-1}{\epsilon} = \epsilon^{\alpha-1} \tilde{x}$

we want  $y_R(\epsilon^{\alpha-1} \tilde{x}) = y_m(\epsilon^\alpha \tilde{x})$

$$y_R = A_{R0} + B_{R0} e^{-\epsilon^{\alpha-1} \tilde{x}} + o(\epsilon)$$

this term blows up as  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+ \Rightarrow$  we need  $B_{R0} = 0$ .

$$y_m = A_{m0} e^{-1 - \epsilon^\alpha \tilde{x}} + o(\epsilon) = \frac{A_{m0}}{e} (1 - \epsilon^\alpha \tilde{x} + \dots) + o(\epsilon)$$

Hence, at leading order, (as  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+$ )  $A_{R0} = \frac{A_{m0}}{e}$

(Again - y values must match...)

$\rightarrow$  Now have five equations and five unknowns  $\therefore$

$$A_{L0} + B_{L0} = a, A_{R0} + B_{R0} = b, A_{L0} = A_{m0}, B_{R0} = 0, A_{R0} = \frac{A_{m0}}{e}$$

$$\Rightarrow A_{L0} = eb, B_{L0} = a - eb, A_{R0} = b, B_{R0} = 0, A_{m0} = eb.$$

Putting this all together:  $y_{L0} = eb + (a - eb)e^{-x_L}$

$$y_{m0} = ebe^{-x}$$

$$y_{R0} = b.$$

← No rapid variation in the RH BL - we don't really need it!

NB Exact solution is  $y(x) = A_+ e^{\lambda_+ x} + A_- e^{\lambda_- x}$  with  $\lambda_{\pm} = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1 - 4\varepsilon}}{2\varepsilon}$

Expanding eg.  $\lambda_+ \sim -1 + O(\varepsilon)$ ,  $\lambda_- \sim -\frac{1}{\varepsilon} + 1 + O(\varepsilon)$  as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+$  etc.

one can show that  $\left. \begin{aligned} y(\varepsilon x_L) &= y_{L0}(x_L) + O(\varepsilon) \\ y(x) &= y_{m0}(x) + O(\varepsilon) \\ y(\varepsilon x_R) &= y_{R0}(x_R) + O(\varepsilon) \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{aligned} x_L > 0, x_L \sim O(1) \\ x_R < 0, x_R \sim O(1) \end{aligned}$

Matching to establish coefficients at the next order

we have  $\left. \begin{aligned} y_{L1} &= -ebx_L + (a - eb)x_L e^{-x_L} + \underline{A_{L1}} + \underline{B_{L1}} e^{-x_L} \\ y_{m1} &= -ebx e^{-x} + \underline{A_{m1}} e^{-x} \\ y_{R1} &= -bx_R + \underline{A_{R1}} + \underline{B_{R1}} e^{-x_R} \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{aligned} & \text{again,} \\ & \text{five} \\ & \text{constants.} \end{aligned}$

The boundary conditions supply two eqns:  $\left. \begin{aligned} A_{L1} + B_{L1} &= 0 \quad \{ y_{L1}(0) = 0 \\ A_{R1} + B_{R1} &= 0 \quad \{ y_{R1}(0) = 0 \end{aligned} \right\}$

Matching at the LH end: as before, we write  $x = \varepsilon^\alpha \hat{x} \Rightarrow x_L = \varepsilon^{\alpha-1} \hat{x}$  with  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ ,  $\hat{x} \sim O(1)$ .

we have, on the left,

$$\begin{aligned} y_L &= y_{L0}(\varepsilon^{\alpha-1} \hat{x}) + \varepsilon y_{L1}(\varepsilon^{\alpha-1} \hat{x}) + O(\varepsilon^2) \\ &= eb + (a - eb) e^{-\varepsilon^{\alpha-1} \hat{x}} \\ &\quad + \varepsilon \left( -eb \varepsilon^{\alpha-1} \hat{x} + (a - eb) \varepsilon^{\alpha-1} \hat{x} e^{-\varepsilon^{\alpha-1} \hat{x}} + \underline{A_{L1}} + \underline{B_{L1}} e^{-\varepsilon^{\alpha-1} \hat{x}} \right) + O(\varepsilon^2) \\ &= eb - eb \varepsilon^\alpha \hat{x} + A_{L1} \varepsilon + O(\varepsilon^2) \end{aligned}$$

all  $\rightarrow 0$  as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+$  for  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$  and  $\hat{x} > 0$

and, in the outer,

$$\begin{aligned}
y_m &= y_{m0}(\varepsilon^\alpha \hat{x}) + \varepsilon y_{m1}(\varepsilon^\alpha \hat{x}) + o(\varepsilon^2) \\
&= eb e^{-\varepsilon^\alpha \hat{x}} + \varepsilon (-eb \varepsilon^\alpha \hat{x} e^{-\varepsilon^\alpha \hat{x}} + A_{m1} \underbrace{e^{-\varepsilon^\alpha \hat{x}}}_{\text{expands as } 1 - \varepsilon^\alpha \hat{x} + \dots}) + o(\varepsilon^2) \\
&= eb \left( 1 - \varepsilon^\alpha \hat{x} + \frac{\varepsilon^{2\alpha} \hat{x}^2}{2!} + \dots \right) \\
&\quad - eb \varepsilon^{\alpha+1} \hat{x} (1 - \varepsilon^\alpha \hat{x} + \dots) + A_{m1} \varepsilon (1 - \varepsilon^\alpha \hat{x} + \dots) + o(\varepsilon^2) \\
&= \underbrace{eb - eb \hat{x} \varepsilon^\alpha + \frac{\varepsilon^{2\alpha} \hat{x}^2}{2} eb + \dots}_{\text{the } o(1) \text{ term, matched in } y_L \checkmark} - eb \varepsilon^{\alpha+1} \hat{x} + \dots \\
&\quad + \varepsilon A_{m1} - A_{m1} \varepsilon^{\alpha+1} \hat{x} + \dots + o(\varepsilon^2)
\end{aligned}$$

In order to be able to neglect these terms we need  $2\alpha > 1$  i.e.  $\alpha > \frac{1}{2}$   
 $\Rightarrow \alpha \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1)$ .

Comparing terms that are  $o(\varepsilon)$  gives  $A_{L1} = A_{m1}$ .

NB some terms jump order:  $-\varepsilon^\alpha eb \hat{x}$  comes from the inner expansion of the first outer term, but from the outer expansion of the second inner term!

Matching at the RH end: as before, we write  $x = 1 + \varepsilon^\alpha \tilde{x}$ ,  $\tilde{x} < 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \hat{x} = \frac{x-1}{\varepsilon^\alpha}$ ,  $x_R = \frac{x-1}{\varepsilon} = \varepsilon^{\alpha-1} \tilde{x}$

We have, on the right,

$$\begin{aligned}
y_R &= b + \varepsilon (-b \varepsilon^{\alpha-1} \tilde{x} + A_{R1} + B_{R1} e^{-\varepsilon^{\alpha-1} \tilde{x}}) + o(\varepsilon^2) \\
&= b - b \varepsilon^\alpha \tilde{x} + \varepsilon A_{R1} + B_{R1} \underbrace{\varepsilon e^{-\varepsilon^{\alpha-1} \tilde{x}}}_{\text{blows up as } \varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} + o(\varepsilon^2) \\
&\quad \Rightarrow \underline{B_{R1} = 0}
\end{aligned}$$

and, in the outer,

expand  $e^{\epsilon \hat{x}}$

$$y_m = eb e^{-1-\epsilon^\alpha \hat{x}} + \epsilon \left( -eb(1 + \epsilon^\alpha \hat{x}) e^{-1-\epsilon^\alpha \hat{x}} + A_{m1} e^{-1-\epsilon^\alpha \hat{x}} \right) + o(\epsilon^2)$$

$$= \frac{eb}{e} \left( 1 - \epsilon^\alpha \hat{x} + \frac{\epsilon^{2\alpha} \hat{x}^2}{2} + \dots \right) - \frac{b\epsilon}{e} (\epsilon + \epsilon^{\alpha+1} \hat{x}) \left( 1 - \epsilon^\alpha \hat{x} + \dots \right)$$

$$+ \epsilon \frac{A_{m1}}{e} \left( 1 - \epsilon^\alpha \hat{x} + \dots \right) + o(\epsilon^2)$$

$$= b + (A_{m1} e^{-1} - b) \epsilon + \dots$$

↑ matches the  $o(1)$  contribution ✓

Hence, connecting terms at  $o(\epsilon)$  gives  $A_{m1} e^{-1} - b = A_{r1}$

Again, we now have five equations and five unknowns  $\therefore$

$$A_{L1} + B_{L1} = 0, \quad A_{R1} + B_{R1} = 0, \quad A_{L1} = A_{m1}, \quad B_{R1} = 0, \quad A_{m1} e^{-1} - b = A_{r1}$$

$$\Rightarrow A_{R1} = 0, \quad B_{R1} = 0, \quad A_{m1} = be, \quad A_{L1} = be, \quad B_{L1} = -be.$$

Putting it all together:

$$y_{L1} = -eb x_L + (a - eb) x_L e^{-x_L} + eb - eb x^{-L}$$

$$y_{m1} = -eb x e^{-x} + eb e^{-x}$$

$$y_{R1} = -b x_R$$

Note that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} y_m = eb e^{-x} + \epsilon eb(1-x) e^{-x} + o(\epsilon^2) = b + o(\epsilon^2)$

which satisfies the BC @  $x=1$ . However  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} y_m = eb$  which does not satisfy the BC. Hence don't actually need the RH BL, but we do need the LH one!

↑ was indicated by the blow up in the inner solution...

### 4.1.4 Van Dyke's matching rule

- using the intermediate rule is tiresome! (even for that simple example it was bad..)
- Van Dyke's rule usually works, and it's simple / convenient.

$$\underbrace{(m \text{ term inner}) (n \text{ term outer})}_{\text{in the outer term expand to } n \text{ terms, then switch to the inner variables and re-expand to } m \text{ terms}} = \underbrace{(n \text{ term outer}) (m \text{ term inner})}_{\text{in the inner expand to } m \text{ terms, then switch to the outer variables and re-expand to } n \text{ terms.}}$$

in the outer term expand to  $n$  terms, then switch to the inner variables and re-expand to  $m$  terms

in the inner expand to  $m$  terms, then switch to the outer variables and re-expand to  $n$  terms.

#### Example

$$\begin{array}{l|l|l} y_{L0} = A_{L0} + B_{L0}e^{-x_L} & | & y_{m0} = A_{m0}e^{-x} & | & y_{R0} = A_{R0} + B_{R0}e^{-x_R} \\ y_{L1} = A_{L1} + B_{L1}e^{-x_L} & | & y_{m1} = A_{m1}e^{-x} & | & y_{R1} = A_{R1} + B_{R1}e^{-x_R} \\ & | & -A_{m0}xe^{-x} & | & + (B_{R0}x_R e^{-x_R} - A_{R0}x_R) \\ & | & & | & \end{array}$$

with constraints  $A_{L0} + B_{L0} = a$ ,  $A_{R0} + B_{R0} = b$ ,  $A_{L1} + B_{L1} = 0$ ,  $A_{R1} + B_{R1} = 0$ .  
and  $x = \sum x_L = 1 + \sum x_R \in [0, 1]$  ( $x_L > 0$ ,  $x_R < 0$ ).

First-consider what happens at the RH boundary:  $x_R < 0$  so  $e^{-x_R} \rightarrow \infty$  as  $x_R \rightarrow \infty$  i.e. as we go from in the RH BL  $\rightarrow$  outer soln.

$$\Rightarrow B_{R0} = 0, B_{R1} = 0.$$

$\nearrow$  Again, demonstrates that assuming fast variation in the RH inner region (BL) gives  $y_{R0} = \text{constant}$ . Then  $\sum y_{R1} = \sum A_{R0} x_R = -\sum A_{R0} \frac{(x-1)}{\epsilon} = -A_{R0}(x-1)$  i.e. the variation is not quick relative to  $x$  so there is no BL at the RH end and we can just consider the outer solution,  $y_{m1}$ , all the way to the boundary. ↙ incorrectly!

Applying VD's matching rule for m=n=1:

$$(1t_0) = A_{m0} e^{-x} = A_{m0} e^{-\epsilon x_L} = A_{m0} \left( 1 - \epsilon x_L - \frac{\epsilon^2 x_L^2}{2} + \dots \right)$$

↪ switch to inner variables
↪ expand

∴ (1t<sub>i</sub>)(1t<sub>0</sub>) = A<sub>m0</sub>  
 (2t<sub>i</sub>)(1t<sub>0</sub>) = A<sub>m0</sub> - ∑ A<sub>m0</sub> x<sub>L</sub> etc.

Then (1t<sub>i</sub>) = A<sub>L0</sub> + B<sub>L0</sub> e<sup>-x<sub>L</sub></sup> = A<sub>L0</sub> + B<sub>L0</sub> e<sup>-x/ε</sup> = A<sub>L0</sub> + exp. small terms

↪ switch to outer variables

∴ (1t<sub>0</sub>)(1t<sub>i</sub>) = A<sub>L0</sub>

Hence (1t<sub>i</sub>)(1t<sub>0</sub>) = (1t<sub>0</sub>)(1t<sub>i</sub>) ⇒ A<sub>m0</sub> = A<sub>L0</sub> = eb

↙ comes from evaluating:  
 y<sub>m0</sub>(1) = b  
 i.e. BC @ x=1  
 since no RH BC

∴ y<sub>m0</sub> = e b e<sup>-x</sup>  
 y<sub>L0</sub> = A<sub>L0</sub> + B<sub>L0</sub> e<sup>-x<sub>L</sub></sup> = eb + (a - eb) e<sup>-x<sub>L</sub></sup>

↪ since A<sub>L0</sub> + B<sub>L0</sub> = a

This automatically satisfies  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} y_{m0}(x) = \lim_{x_L \rightarrow \infty} y_{L0}(x_L)$

as we previously observed. This will generally be the case.

Now, apply Van Dyke's matching rule for m=n=2:

2 term outer:  $y_{m0}(x)$        $y_{m1}(x)$

$$y_m(x) = \underbrace{e b e^{-x}}_{A_{m0}} + \epsilon \left( \underbrace{A_{m1} e^{-x}}_{A_{m0}} - e b x e^{-x} \right)$$

↪ change to inner variable

$$= e b e^{-\epsilon x_L} + \epsilon \left( A_{m1} e^{-\epsilon x_L} - e b \epsilon x_L e^{-\epsilon x_L} \right)$$

↪ expand

$$= e b (1 - \epsilon x_L + \dots) + \epsilon \left( A_{m1} (1 - \epsilon x_L + \dots) - e b \epsilon x_L (1 - \epsilon x_L + \dots) \right)$$

↪ keep 2 terms

$$= e b - e b x_L \epsilon + \epsilon A_{m1} + O(\epsilon^2)$$



Example:  $p=1$

$$y_{\text{composite}} = y_{m0}(x) + y_{l0}\left(\frac{x}{\epsilon}\right) - (\text{1 term inner})(\text{1 term outer})$$

$$= \underbrace{ebe^{-x}}_{y_{m0}} + \underbrace{eb + (a-eb)e^{-x/\epsilon}}_{y_{l0}} - eb$$

$\rightarrow$  1 term outer =  $ebe^{-x} = ebe^{-\epsilon x_L}$   
 $\Rightarrow$  (1 term inner)(1 term outer) =  $eb$

$$= ebe^{-x} + (a-eb)e^{-x/\epsilon} + o(\epsilon)$$

$\uparrow$  rapid change at LH boundary (as  $x \sim o(\epsilon)$ ) ensures the BC is satisfied.

Example:  $p=2$

$$y_{\text{composite}} = y_{m0}(x) + \sum y_{m1}(x) + y_{l0}\left(\frac{x}{\epsilon}\right) + \sum y_{l1}\left(\frac{x}{\epsilon}\right) - (2\text{ti})(2\text{to})$$

$$= ebe^{-x} + \epsilon eb(1-x)e^{-x} + eb + (a-eb)e^{-x/\epsilon} + \epsilon (eb(1-e^{-x/\epsilon}) - eb\frac{x}{\epsilon} + (a-eb)\frac{x}{\epsilon}e^{-x/\epsilon})$$

$$- \underbrace{eb + ebx - \epsilon eb}_{(2\text{ti})(2\text{to})}$$

$$= ebe^{-x} + (a-eb)(1+x)e^{-x/\epsilon} - \epsilon eb(1-x)e^{-x} - \epsilon eb e^{-x/\epsilon} + o(\epsilon^2)$$

Choice of scaling re-visited

Near  $x=0$  - let  $x_L = x/\epsilon^\alpha$ ,  $y(x) = y_L(x_L)$

$$\Rightarrow \epsilon^{1-2\alpha} \frac{d^2 y_L}{dx_L^2} + \epsilon^{-\alpha} \frac{dy_L}{dx_L} + y_L = 0$$

$\alpha=0$

———— balance ————

OUTER SOLUTION

$0 < \alpha < 1$

dominant

$\rightarrow$  Can match since they share a common term which is dominant in overlap region  
 INNER SOLUTION

$\alpha=1$

———— balance ————

$\alpha > 1$

dominant

interesting scalings - balance 2+ terms, called distinguished limits.

Next - we will think about how to determine where the BC is...

## 4.2 Where is the boundary layer?

- To have a non-trivial boundary layer possible - need a solution in the inner region that decays as we move towards the outer.

(saw this in the previous example with the LH BL)

- In the problem that we considered, though, the solution in the RH BL grew exponentially as we moved towards the center  $\Rightarrow$  cannot have a RH BL!

- Note - BLs don't need to be at boundaries! we can have small regions of high gradient in the interior ( $\Rightarrow$  interior layer).

Example consider the general problem

$$\varepsilon y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0 \quad \text{for } 0 < x < 1 \text{ with } p(x) > 0, y(0) = A, y(1) = b. \\ \text{and } p, q \text{ smooth, and } \varepsilon \ll 1.$$

### RH boundary layer

Rescale:  $x = 1 + \delta \hat{x}$ ,  $y(x) = y_R(\hat{x})$  with  $\hat{x} < 0$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\varepsilon}{\delta^2} y_R'' + \frac{p(1 + \delta \hat{x})}{\delta} y_R' + q(1 + \delta \hat{x}) y_R = 0$$

( ' = derivative wrt argument )

we want this term to be included since seeking a solution s.t.  $y''$  large

$\hookrightarrow$  here, the  $\frac{p(1 + \delta \hat{x})}{\delta} y_R'$  will dominate the  $q(1 + \delta \hat{x}) y_R$  term

Hence, the dominant balance is  $\frac{\varepsilon}{\delta^2} = \frac{1}{\delta} \Rightarrow \varepsilon = \delta$ .

$$\therefore y_R'' + p(1 + \varepsilon \hat{x}) y_R' + \varepsilon q(1 + \varepsilon \hat{x}) y_R = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y_R'' + [p(1) + \varepsilon \hat{x} p'(1) + \dots] y_R' + \varepsilon [q(1) + \varepsilon \hat{x} q'(1) + \dots] y_R = 0$$

Let  $y_R(\hat{x}) = y_{R0}(\hat{x}) + \varepsilon y_{R1}(\hat{x}) + \dots$ , substitute and collect terms of the same order:

$$O(1): y_{ro}'' + p(1)y_{ro}' = 0 \Rightarrow y_{ro}(\hat{x}) = J + ke^{-p(1)\hat{x}} \text{ with } \hat{x} < 0.$$

We want to match the outer solution when  $\hat{x}$  large and negative.

BUT, then  $ke^{-p(1)\hat{x}} \rightarrow \infty$  and so we have to take  $k=0$ , and

$$y_{ro} = J \text{ (constant)}$$

i.e. no fast variation near the RH boundary  $\Rightarrow$  NO BOUNDARY LAYER,

(we can match the outer at  $x=1$  to  $y(1) = b$ ).

**\*** Blow up as the inner solution is extended towards the outer solution  $\Rightarrow$  NO BOUNDARY LAYER.

LH Boundary layer

Let  $x = \epsilon \hat{x}$  with  $\hat{x} > 0$  and  $y(x) = y_L(\hat{x})$ .

Similarly,

$$y_L''(\hat{x}) + [p(0) + \epsilon \hat{x} p'(0) + \dots] y_L'(\hat{x}) + \epsilon [q(0) + \epsilon \hat{x} q'(0) + \dots] y_L(\hat{x}) = 0.$$

Expanding:  $y_L(\hat{x}) = y_{L0}(\hat{x}) + \epsilon y_{L1}(\hat{x}) + \dots$  gives  $y_{L0}(\hat{x}) = M + Ne^{-p(0)\hat{x}}$

Then, moving from the inner to the outer ( $\hat{x} \rightarrow \infty$ ) gives  $Ne^{-p(0)\hat{x}} \rightarrow 0$

$$\therefore y_{L0}(\hat{x}) = M + Ne^{-p(0)x/\epsilon}$$

i.e. have a very rapid change in the solution near the boundary, and can match outer.

NB If  $p(x) < 0$  then the situation is reversed and we expect to find a boundary layer at the RH e  $x=1$ . If  $p(x_0) = 0$  for some  $x_0 \in (0,1)$  then there may be an interior layer.

(↑ next example!)

Example

$$\epsilon^2 y'' + 2y(1-y^2) = 0 \text{ for } -1 < x < 1 \text{ with } y(-1) = -1 \text{ and } y(1) = 1.$$

Then for  $\epsilon = 0$  we can have outer solutions with  $y = 0, \pm 1$ .

To satisfy the BCs, we take  $y_{0L} = -1$  and  $y_{0R} = +1$  }  $\Rightarrow$  must be a transition between them in the interior.  
*outer solns on LHRH sides*

By inspection, we see that we need to rescale near  $x = x_0$  ( $x_0 \in (0, 1)$ ) by setting  $x = x_0 + \epsilon X$  and  $y(x) = Y(X)$

$$\Rightarrow Y''(X) + 2Y(1-Y^2) = 0 \text{ for } -\infty < X < \infty \quad Y \rightarrow -1 \text{ as } X \rightarrow -\infty$$
$$Y \rightarrow +1 \text{ as } X \rightarrow +\infty$$

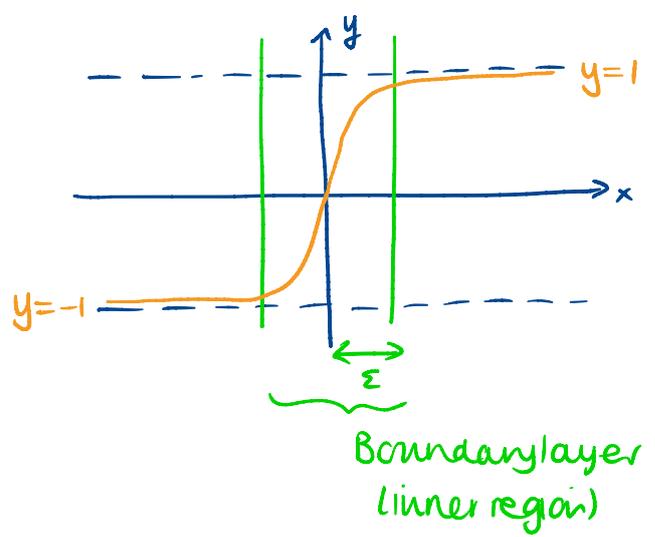
*If scaling not obvious then let  $x = x_0 + \delta(\epsilon)X$  and establish dominant balance.*

$\hookrightarrow$  solution is  $Y(X) = \tanh(X - X_*)$

Recall  $X = \frac{x - x_0}{\epsilon}$  and let  $X_* = \epsilon X_*$  to write  $y(x) = \tanh\left(\frac{x - x_0 - \epsilon X_*}{\epsilon}\right)$

Note that if  $y(x)$  is a solution then  $-y(-x)$  is also a solution, and by Picard, the solution is unique. In particular  $y(0) = -y(0) = 0$  and so  $x_0 + \epsilon X_* = 0$  and we have  $y(x) \sim \tanh\left(\frac{x}{\epsilon}\right)$ .

NBI The position of the BL is exponentially sensitive to the boundary data. Finding the location for other data is nontrivial.



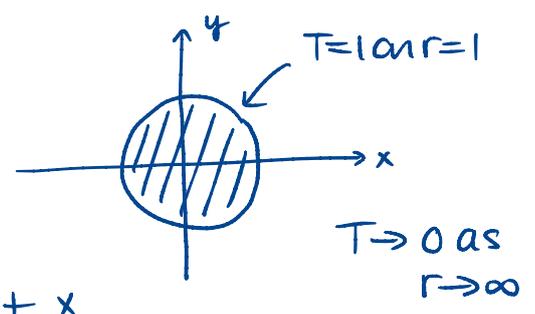
### 4.3 Boundary layers in PDEs

Heat transfer from a cylinder in potential flow with small diffusion (high Peclet number).

$(0 < \epsilon \ll 1)$

$$\underline{u} \cdot \nabla T = \sum \nabla^2 T \quad r \geq 1$$

advection                  diffusion



$$\underline{u} = \nabla \phi, \quad \phi = \left(r + \frac{1}{r}\right) \cos \theta = x + \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2}$$

velocity                  gradient from vector field

NB  $\nabla^2 \phi = 0 \Rightarrow$   $\underline{u}$  irrotational and incompressible, and has zero normal component on  $r=1$ .  $\Rightarrow$  Flow is around the cylinder @  $r=1$ , and this advects thermal energy.

Physical problem: steady state temperature profile - with diffusion and advection of internal energy represented through temperature  $T$ .

#### Outer solution

Expand  $T \sim T_0 + \epsilon T_1 + \dots$  as  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$  and substitute to get

$O(1)$ :  $\underline{u} \cdot \nabla T_0 = 0$ , with the BC  $T \rightarrow 0$  as  $r \rightarrow \infty$  (will need the inner solution to match the BC at  $r=1$ .)

Consider any curve with  $\frac{dr}{ds} = \underline{u}$  ( $r = (x, y)$ )

$$\text{Then } \frac{dT_0}{ds} = \nabla T_0 \cdot \frac{dr}{ds} = \nabla T_0 \cdot \underline{u} = 0$$

$$\text{For } r > 1, \quad \frac{dx}{ds} = u_1 = \phi_x = 1 + \frac{1}{x^2 + y^2} - \frac{2xy}{x^2 + y^2} = 1 + \frac{y^2 - x^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} = 1 - \frac{\cos 2\theta}{r^2} > 0$$

$\therefore$  all curves  $\underline{u} = \nabla \phi$  end up at infinity where  $T_0 = 0$ .

Hence  $T_0(s)$  is constant along such curves and, using the BC, this constant must be zero, i.e.  $T_0 = 0$ .

Proceeding further, we have  $T_1 = 0 \neq \underline{u} \Rightarrow \exists$  thermal boundary layer near the cylinder.

# Inner solution

← to accommodate the BC

In cylindrical coordinates,

$$\underbrace{\left(1 - \frac{1}{r^2}\right) \cos \theta \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} - \left(1 + \frac{1}{r^2}\right) \frac{\sin \theta}{r} \frac{\partial T}{\partial \theta}}_{\underline{u \cdot \nabla T}} = \underbrace{\varepsilon \left( \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial \theta^2} \right)}_{\nabla^2 T}$$

- we need to scale r close to r=1 so that the diffusive term balances:

let  $r = 1 + \delta(\varepsilon)\rho$  with  $0 < \delta(\varepsilon) \ll 1$  and let  $T(r, \theta) = T_i(1 + \delta(\varepsilon)\rho, \theta)$ .

Then,

$$\left(1 - \frac{1}{(1 + \delta\rho)^2}\right) \frac{\cos \theta}{\delta} \frac{\partial T_i}{\partial \rho} - \left(1 + \frac{1}{(1 + \delta\rho)^2}\right) \frac{\sin \theta}{1 + \delta\rho} \frac{\partial T_i}{\partial \theta}$$

$$= \varepsilon \left( \frac{1}{\delta^2} \frac{\partial^2 T_i}{\partial \rho^2} + \frac{1}{\delta(1 + \delta\rho)} \frac{\partial T_i}{\partial \rho} + \frac{1}{(1 + \delta\rho)^2} \frac{\partial^2 T_i}{\partial \theta^2} \right)$$

Expand to give

$$(2\delta\rho + o(\delta^2)) \frac{\cos \theta}{\delta} \frac{\partial T_i}{\partial \rho} - (2 + o(\delta)) \sin \theta \frac{\partial T_i}{\partial \theta}$$

$$= \varepsilon \left( \frac{1}{\delta^2} \frac{\partial^2 T_i}{\partial \rho^2} + \frac{1}{\delta} (1 + o(\delta)) \frac{\partial T_i}{\partial \rho} + (1 + o(\delta)) \frac{\partial^2 T_i}{\partial \theta^2} \right)$$

Hence, we need  $\delta = \sqrt{\varepsilon}$ .

both subleading compared to the  $\partial^2 T_i / \partial \rho^2$  term.

Expand: let  $T_i(\rho, \theta) = T_{i0}(\rho, \theta) + \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} T_{i1}(\rho, \theta) + \dots$

$$O(1): \quad 2\rho \cos \theta \frac{\partial T_{i0}}{\partial \rho} - 2 \sin \theta \frac{\partial T_{i0}}{\partial \theta} = \frac{\partial^2 T_{i0}}{\partial \rho^2}$$

still a non-trivial PDE to solve - but we can make analytic progress.

with  $T_{i0}|_{\rho=0, \theta} = 1$  and  $T_{i0} \rightarrow 0$  as  $\rho \rightarrow \infty$

$\rho=0$  - i.e. on the cylinder

match to outer solution

seek a similarity solution for  $T_{i0}$  of the form

$$T_{i0}(\rho, \theta) = f(\eta) \quad \text{with } \eta = \rho g(\theta)$$

$$\frac{\partial T_{i0}}{\partial \rho} = g(\theta) f'(\eta), \quad \frac{\partial^2 T_{i0}}{\partial \rho^2} = g^2(\theta) f''(\eta), \quad \frac{\partial T_{i0}}{\partial \theta} = f'(\eta) \rho g'(\theta)$$

Substitute into the eqn for  $T_{10}$ :

$$2p \cos \theta g(\theta) f'(\eta) - 2s \sin \theta f'(\eta) p g'(\theta) = g^2(\theta) f''(\eta)$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{p g(\theta)}_{\eta} \left[ \frac{2 \cos \theta}{g^2(\theta)} - \frac{2s \sin \theta}{g^3(\theta)} g'(\theta) \right] f'(\eta) = f''(\eta) \quad (*)$$

Note that if  $f(\eta)$  is a similarity soln then  $(*)$  should be a function of  $\eta$  only

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2 \cos \theta}{g^2(\theta)} - \frac{2s \sin \theta}{g^3(\theta)} g'(\theta) = \text{constant, } c$$

- If  $c > 0$  then the solution will blow up at infinity  $\Rightarrow$  must have  $c < 0$ .
- Note that  $c$  can be re-scaled without changing  $g \Rightarrow$  WLOG we can take  $c = -1$

$\therefore$  Can find a similarity solution as long as we can find a solution to

$$\frac{2 \cos \theta}{g^2(\theta)} - \frac{2s \sin \theta}{g^3(\theta)} g'(\theta) = -1$$

$$\text{Let } g = \frac{1}{\sqrt{p}} \rightarrow \text{then we can solve to get } g(\theta) = \frac{|\sin \theta|}{(J + \cos \theta)^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

- If  $J > 1$  then the solution will blow up.
- If  $J < 1$  then we have further problems

$$\text{at } \theta = \pi : T(r, \pi) \sim T_{10}(p, \pi) = f(\underbrace{p g(\pi)}_{=0}) = f(0) = 0$$

$$\text{but } T(0, \frac{\pi}{2}) \sim T_{10}(0, \frac{\pi}{2}) = f(0 \cdot g(\frac{\pi}{2})) = f(0) = 1$$

as we send  $r \rightarrow \infty$   
by the BCs.

$$\therefore \text{ Must have } J = 1 \text{ so that } g(\theta) = \frac{|\sin \theta|}{(1 + \cos \theta)^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

Can now solve for  $f$ :  $f(\eta) = A \int_{\eta}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2}u^2} du + B$

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$f \rightarrow 0$  as  $\eta \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow B = 0$

$f = 1$  for  $\eta = 0 \Rightarrow A = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}}$

$$\therefore T_{i0} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \int_{\eta}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2}u^2} du \quad \text{with } \eta = \frac{\rho |\sin \theta|}{(1 + \cos \theta)^{1/2}} \left. \vphantom{\int} \right\} \rho g(\theta)$$

NB as  $\rho \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $T_{i0}$  decays exponentially, to match with outer solution (solution is exponentially small in the outer region).

NB1 As the outer solution is equal to zero, the composite solution is given by  $T_{i0}$ .

NB2 Solution fails for  $\theta = 0$  and  $r$  large

$\hookrightarrow$  since  $r$  large, expect (from a physical perspective) to have  $T = 0$ , but the lower limit on the integral is zero  $\Rightarrow T(\eta, \theta) = 1$ .

$\uparrow \Rightarrow$  we need another distinguished limit for this region!! similar argument applies for  $\theta = \pi$ .

$\swarrow \theta = 0, \pi$  - stagnation points.

Also BL in the wake - streamline here comes from cylinder, not infinity.

Heat loss:  $\frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \sim O\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon^{1/2}}\right)$  (reason for wind chill factor).

Example - boundary layer at infinity

(also an asymptotic power series that isn't in terms of powers of  $\epsilon$ ).

$$(x^2 y')' + \epsilon x^2 y y' = 0 \quad \text{with } x > 1, y(1) = 0, y(\infty) = 1, 0 < \epsilon \ll 1$$

we will try to find a solution of the form  $y \sim y_0 + \epsilon y_2 + \dots$

will find that this doesn't work on its own and that we need another term - of the form  $\epsilon \log(\frac{x}{\epsilon}) y_1(x)$

To see that this is the case - substitute, and collect terms:

$$O(\epsilon^0): (x^2 y_0')' = 0 \Rightarrow y_0 = 1 - \frac{1}{x} \quad \text{(using BCs)}$$

$$O(\epsilon^1): (x^2 y_2')' = -x^2 y_0 y_0' = -1 + \frac{1}{x} \Rightarrow y_2(x) = A \left(1 - \frac{1}{x}\right) - \ln x - \frac{\ln x}{x}$$

integrate and solve with  $y_2(1) = 0$

cannot satisfy  $y_2(\infty) = 0$  for any  $A$  since  $\ln x \rightarrow \infty$  as  $x \rightarrow \infty$

$\Rightarrow$  BL at infinity!

$\therefore$  we need to expand in an inner region where  $x$  is large, and match to the outer solution where  $x = O(\delta(\epsilon))$ .

$\rightarrow$  this is given by  $y_0 + \epsilon y_2$

Inner solution

- use a new variable  $x = \frac{X}{\delta_1(\epsilon)}$  where  $\delta_1(\epsilon) \rightarrow 0$  as  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+$

so that  $X \sim O(\delta_1(\epsilon))$  as  $x \rightarrow \infty$  and  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+$ , and let

$$y = 1 + \delta_2(\epsilon) Y \quad \text{with } \delta_2(\epsilon) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } \epsilon \rightarrow 0^+$$

$\uparrow$  satisfies the BC  $y(\infty) = 1$ .

Substituting:

$$\underbrace{\delta_2 \frac{d}{dX} \left( X^2 \frac{dY}{dX} \right)}_{(1)} + \underbrace{\frac{\epsilon \delta_2}{\delta_1} X^2 \frac{dY}{dX}}_{(2)} + \underbrace{\frac{\epsilon \delta_2^2}{\delta_1} X^2 Y \frac{dY}{dX}}_{(3)} = 0$$

want a dominant balance.

Note that

$$\frac{\epsilon \delta_2}{\delta_1} \gg \frac{\epsilon \delta_2^2}{\delta_1} \Rightarrow (3) \text{ will never contribute.}$$

Hence the dominant balance comes from matching ① and ② :

$$\frac{\Sigma \delta_2}{\delta_1} = \delta_2 \Rightarrow \delta_1 = \Sigma \text{ and } \delta_2 \text{ (as yet) undetermined.}$$

$$\text{Let } Y = Y_0(x) + o(1) \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} \left( X^2 \frac{dY_0}{dx} \right) + X^2 \frac{dY_0}{dx} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow X^2 \frac{dY_0}{dx} = e^{-x}$$

$$Y_0(x) = B \int_x^\infty \frac{e^{-s}}{s^2} ds$$

Using the BC  
 $Y_0 \rightarrow 0$  as  $X \rightarrow \infty$   
Since  $y = 1 + \delta_2 Y$ .

Single constant B  
 $\Rightarrow$  anticipate we  
can match to the  
outer solution.

inner solution  
satisfying inner BC

Evaluate as  $X \rightarrow 0^+$  by splitting the integral:

$$\int_x^\infty \frac{1}{s^2} e^{-s} ds = \int_x^1 \frac{1}{s^2} e^{-s} ds + \underbrace{\int_1^\infty \frac{1}{s^2} e^{-s} ds}_{< \int_1^\infty e^{-s} ds \sim \text{ord}(1)}$$

$$= \int_x^1 \frac{1-s}{s^2} ds + \int_x^1 \frac{e^{-s} - 1 + s}{s^2} ds$$

$$= \left\{ \frac{1}{X} + \ln X + \text{ord}(1) \right\}$$

$$\uparrow \sim \frac{1}{s^2} (1 - s + \frac{1}{2}s^2 + \dots - 1 + s)$$

$\Rightarrow$  will generate a power series  
with first term  $\frac{1}{2}s^2$  - which  
is  $\text{ord}(1)$ .

$$\therefore Y_0(x) = B \left[ \frac{1}{X} + \ln X + \text{ord}(1) \right].$$

To match - consider an intermediate variable:  $\hat{x} = \Sigma^\alpha x = \Sigma^{\alpha-1} X, 0 < \alpha < 1$ .

Expand both the outer and inner solutions in the intermediate variable:

then  $\hat{x} = \text{ord}(1)$  as  $\Sigma \rightarrow 0^+ \Rightarrow \underbrace{X \rightarrow \infty}_{\text{towards BL}} \text{ and } \underbrace{X \rightarrow 0}_{\text{towards outer}}$

INNER:  $Y_0 \sim B \left( \frac{1}{X} + \ln X + \text{ord}(1) \right)$

OUTER:  $y_0 = 1 - \frac{1}{x}$  (66)

$y_2 = A \left( 1 - \frac{1}{x} \right) - \ln x - \frac{\ln x}{x}$  \*

$\Rightarrow y = 1 + \delta_2 Y \sim 1 + \delta_2 B \frac{\epsilon^{\alpha-1}}{\hat{x}} + \delta_2 B \ln(\epsilon^{\alpha-1} \hat{x})$

$\Rightarrow y \sim 1 - \frac{\epsilon^\alpha}{\hat{x}} + \text{ord}(\epsilon)$

Need to match these

$\Rightarrow -\frac{\epsilon^\alpha}{\hat{x}} = \frac{\delta_2 B \epsilon^{\alpha-1}}{\hat{x}} \Rightarrow \delta_2 = \epsilon$   
 $B = -1$

$\therefore y = 1 - \frac{\epsilon}{\hat{x}} + (1-\alpha) \epsilon \ln\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right) - \underbrace{\epsilon \ln \hat{x}}_{o(\epsilon)}$

However, the  $\text{ord}(\epsilon)$  term in the outer solution will never be matched by the  $(1-\alpha) \epsilon \ln\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)$  term in the inner solution.

$\hookrightarrow$  The  $y_2$  term in \* generates terms of the form  $\epsilon \ln\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)$  but we should really have the  $\epsilon \ln\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)$  in the asymptotic sequence as the missing  $y_1$  in the outer solution!

i.e. we should have originally taken  $y(x) = y_0(x) + \epsilon \ln\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right) y_1(x) + \epsilon y_2(x) + \dots$

Then,  $(x^2 y_1)' = 0 \Rightarrow y_1 = c \left( 1 - \frac{1}{x} \right)$   $\leftarrow$  doesn't need to satisfy  $y(\infty) = 1$  - will match with the inner solution.

The outer solution in the intermediate variable is

$y(x) \sim \left( 1 - \frac{\epsilon^\alpha}{\hat{x}} \right) + c \epsilon \ln\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right) \left( 1 - \frac{\epsilon^\alpha}{\hat{x}} \right) + A \left( 1 - \frac{\epsilon^\alpha}{\hat{x}} \right) - \ln(\epsilon^{-\alpha} \hat{x}) - \frac{\ln(\epsilon^{-\alpha} \hat{x})}{\epsilon^{-\alpha} \hat{x}}$   
 $\sim \left( 1 - \frac{\epsilon^\alpha}{\hat{x}} \right) + \epsilon \ln\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right) (c - \alpha) + o(\epsilon)$  expand

$\uparrow$  additional term that includes the parameter  $c$  - which we determine by matching to the inner solution ( $\delta = \epsilon, B = -1$ ).

$\hookrightarrow (1-\alpha) \epsilon \ln\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right) = \epsilon \ln\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right) (1-c) \Rightarrow c = \alpha$

$\Rightarrow \alpha$ 's cancel  $\forall \alpha$  (since we need this to hold for a range of  $\alpha$ ).

NB Have not determined A at this order - would need to go to higher order! (67)

### SUMMARY

$$\text{Inner: } y \sim - \left[ \frac{1}{X} + \ln X + \text{ord}(1) \right]$$

$$\text{Outer: } y \sim 1 - \frac{1}{X} + \varepsilon \ln \left( \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \right) \left( 1 - \frac{1}{X} \right) + o(\varepsilon)$$

To go to higher orders - we need to use the following expansion sequence:

$$1, \varepsilon \ln \left( \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \right), \varepsilon, \varepsilon^2 \ln \left( \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \right), \varepsilon^2 \left( \ln \left( \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \right) \right)^2, \varepsilon^2, \dots$$

NB we can only use van Dyke's matching rule if we let  $\ln \left( \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \right) \sim \text{ord}(1)$  ✘

directly contradicts  
our assumption -  
we treated  $\ln \left( \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \right) \gg 1$ !