

INVESTIGATION OF ORIGIN OF BOUNDARY LAYER
ON A PROBLEM FOR A FIRST ORDER ORDINARY LINEAR
PERTURBED DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION UNDER GENERAL
NON-LOCAL BOUNDARY CONDITION

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Abstract. The investigation of the forming of the boundary layer is usually carried out by Euler scheme. The limit value is calculated for the obtained solution by tending small quantity to zero. If this value does not satisfy to the boundary conditions the boundary layer is formed in this point.

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1. INVESTIGATION OF A BOUNDARY LAYER FOR AN EQUATION WITH
INHOMOGENEOUS BOUNDARY CONDITIONS

It is known that appearance of a boundary layer under local boundary conditions is investigated by the scheme of the paper [1]. That is, the given problem is solved by the ordinary method (by Euler's scheme). Limit value for the obtained solution is calculated when a small parameter tends to zero. If this limit function does not satisfy any of these boundary conditions, a boundary layer appears at the point where this condition is not satisfied. Here, we consider a problem under non local boundary condition, that is suggested as an open problem in the paper [1].

Consider the following problem:

$$(1) \quad \ell_\varepsilon y_\varepsilon \equiv \varepsilon y'_\varepsilon(x) + y_\varepsilon(x) = 0, \quad x \in (0, 1),$$

$$(2) \quad y_\varepsilon(0) + y_\varepsilon(1) = a.$$

At first we solve this problem by the ordinary method. The general solution of the given equation (1) is the function:

$$(3) \quad y_\varepsilon(x) = C e^{-\frac{x}{\varepsilon}}.$$

The constant C is determined from condition (2)

$$C + C e^{-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}} = a, \quad C = \frac{a}{1 + e^{-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}}}.$$

Then for problem (1), (2) from (3) we get the solution:

$$(4) \quad y_\varepsilon(x) = \frac{a e^{-\frac{x}{\varepsilon}}}{1 + e^{-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}}}, \quad x \in (0, 1).$$

Here, if we pass to limit as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ we get:

$$(5) \quad y_0(x) = 0.$$

Function (5) satisfies the equation obtained from equation (1) as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$, but does not satisfy boundary condition (2), if $a \neq 0$. So, there appears a boundary layer.

For that we act as in [2]. From the relation

$$(6) \quad \begin{aligned} 0 &= (\ell_\varepsilon y_\varepsilon, z_\varepsilon) = \varepsilon \int_0^1 y'_\varepsilon(x) z_\varepsilon(x) dx + \int_0^1 y_\varepsilon(x) z_\varepsilon(x) dx \\ &= \varepsilon y_\varepsilon(x) z_\varepsilon(x) \Big|_0^1 - \varepsilon \int_0^1 y_\varepsilon(x) z'_\varepsilon(x) dx + \int_0^1 y_\varepsilon(x) z_\varepsilon(x) dx, \end{aligned}$$

the equation adjoint to equation (1) will be of the form:

$$(7) \quad \ell_\varepsilon^* z_\varepsilon \equiv -\varepsilon z'_\varepsilon(x) + z_\varepsilon(x).$$

Now, construct the fundamental solution of operator (7)

$$-\varepsilon z'_\varepsilon(x) + z_\varepsilon(x) = g(x),$$

$$z'_\varepsilon(x) - \frac{z_\varepsilon(x)}{\varepsilon} = -\frac{g(x)}{\varepsilon},$$

then

$$z_\varepsilon(x) = C e^{\frac{x}{\varepsilon}} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \int_{x_0}^x e^{\frac{x-\eta}{\varepsilon}} g(\eta) d\eta.$$

Hence, for the fundamental solution we get the expression:

$$(8) \quad z_\varepsilon(x - \eta) = \frac{e^{-\frac{\eta-x}{\varepsilon}}}{\varepsilon} \theta(\eta - x),$$

with condition $x_0 = 1$.

If in Lagrange's formula (6), instead of $z_\varepsilon(x)$ we write the fundamental solution (8), we get [3]:

$$(9) \quad \begin{aligned} \varepsilon y_\varepsilon(0) z_\varepsilon(-\eta) - \varepsilon y_\varepsilon(1) z_\varepsilon(1 - \eta) &= \int_0^1 y_\varepsilon(x) [-\varepsilon z'_\varepsilon(x - \eta) + z_\varepsilon(x - \eta)] dx \\ &= \begin{cases} y_\varepsilon(\eta), & \eta \in (0, 1), \\ \frac{1}{2} y_\varepsilon(\eta), & \eta = 0, \eta = 1. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

The first expression in the obtained relation (9) gives the function $y_\varepsilon(\eta)$ $\eta \in (0, 1)$, the second one gives necessary conditions. Write these necessary conditions

$$\begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} y_\varepsilon(0) = \varepsilon y_\varepsilon(0) z_\varepsilon(0) - \varepsilon y_\varepsilon(1) z_\varepsilon(1), \\ \frac{1}{2} y_\varepsilon(1) = \varepsilon y_\varepsilon(0) z_\varepsilon(-1) - \varepsilon y_\varepsilon(1) z_\varepsilon(0). \end{cases}$$

If in these conditions we take into account the values of the fundamental solution from (8), we get

$$\begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}y_\varepsilon(0) = \varepsilon y_\varepsilon(0)\frac{1}{2\varepsilon} - \varepsilon y_\varepsilon(1) \cdot 0, \\ \frac{1}{2}y_\varepsilon(1) = \varepsilon y_\varepsilon(0)\frac{e^{-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}}}{\varepsilon} - \varepsilon y_\varepsilon(1) \cdot \frac{1}{2\varepsilon}. \end{cases}$$

Since the first expression is identity, it gives nothing, but the second one gives the necessary condition:

$$(10) \quad y_\varepsilon(1) = y_\varepsilon(0)e^{-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}},$$

Solve this necessary condition together with boundary condition (2)

$$y_\varepsilon(0) + y_\varepsilon(0)e^{-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}} = a,$$

$$(11) \quad y_\varepsilon(0) = \frac{a}{1 + e^{-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}}}$$

If we write (11) in (10), we get

$$(12) \quad y_\varepsilon(1) = \frac{a}{1 + e^{-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}}}e^{-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}}$$

So, not solving problem (1), (2), we reduced non-local boundary condition (2) to local conditions (11), (12). Finally, having taken from (8) the solution of problem (1), (2) we should take into account (11) and (12) in the left hand side. But, as this problem has a unique solution, we can use the expression (4), obtained for the solution of problem (1), (2). Since (5) is the limit state of this solution, we must compare this function with limit states (11) and (12)

$$(13) \quad y_0(0) = a, \quad y_0(1) = 0.$$

It is seen from the obtained expressions that function (5) satisfies the second condition from conditions (13), it does not satisfy the first one if $a \neq 0$. So, a boundary layer appears at the point $x = 0$.

THEOREM 1. *In the given non-local boundary value problem (1), (2), if $a \neq 0$, a boundary layer appears at the point $x = 0$.*

REMARK 1. By the scheme considered in the paper, we study appearance of a boundary layer for the boundary value problem.

$$(14) \quad \ell_\varepsilon y_\varepsilon \equiv \varepsilon y'_\varepsilon(x) + y_\varepsilon(x) = 0, \quad x \in (0, 1),$$

$$(15) \quad \alpha y_\varepsilon(0) + \beta y_\varepsilon(1) = a,$$

where α , β and a are the given real constants.

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