EXPONENTIAL TYPE SPLINES FOR SOLUTIONS OF DIFFUSION PROBLEM IN MULTILAYERED DOMAIN

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We propose an averaging method for solving a 3-D boundary-value problem in multilayer domain. We introduce an exponential spline, which respects the mean integral values of a piece-wise smooth function. Consider the nonstationary 3-D problem of the linear diffusion theory for multilayered piece-wise homogenous materials of N layers in the subdomains

 $\Omega_i = \{(x, y, z) : x \in (0, L_x), y \in (0, L_y), z \in (z_{i-1}, z_i)\}, i = \overline{1, N},$

where $H_i = z_i - z_{i-1}$ is the height of the layer $\Omega_i, z_0 = 0, z_N = L_z$.

We find the functions $c_i = c_i(x, y, z, t)$ in every layer Ω_i for $(x, y, z) \in \Omega_i$ at time t by solving a 3-D initial-boundary value problem with piece-wise diffusion coefficients D_{iz} . We use the averaging method with respect to z using special exponential or hyperbolic trigonometric functions

$$c_i(x, y, z, t) = c_{iz}(x, y, t) + m_{iz}(x, y, t) \frac{0.5H_i \operatorname{sinh}(a_i(z-z_i))}{\operatorname{sinh}(0.5a_iH_i)} + e_{iz}G_{iz}\left(0.25\frac{\operatorname{sinh}^2(a_i(z-z_i))}{\operatorname{sinh}^2(0.5a_iH_i)} - A_{i0z}\right),$$

where
$$c_{iz}(x, y, t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{z_i}^{z_i} c_i(x, y, z, t) dz \quad G_{iz} = \frac{H_i}{2\pi} - A_{i0z} = 0.25\frac{\operatorname{sinh}(a_iH_i)/(a_iH_i) - 1}{2\pi} \in [0, 1/12]$$

 $\begin{aligned} c_{iz}(x,y,t) &= \frac{1}{H_i} \int_{z_{i-1}}^{z_i} c_i(x,y,z,t) dz, \ G_{iz} &= \frac{H_i}{D_{iz}}, \ A_{i0z} = 0.25 \frac{\operatorname{sim}(a_i H_i) - (a_i H_i) - 1}{\operatorname{cosh}(a_i H_i) - 1} \in [0, 1/12], \\ \overline{z_i} &= (z_{i-1} + z_i)/2, \ z \in [z_{i-1}, z_i], \ i = \overline{1, N}. \end{aligned}$

In the limit as the parameters $a_i > 0$ tend to zero, one obtains the integral parabolic spline proposed by A. Buikis [1] (see also [2]):

$$c_i(x, y, z, t) = c_{iz}(x, y, t) + m_{iz}(x, y, t)(z - \overline{z_i}) + e_{iz}(x, y, t)G_{iz}\left(\frac{(z - \overline{z_i})^2}{H_i^2} - \frac{1}{12}\right).$$

The unknown functions $m_{iz}(x, y, t)$, $e_{iz}(x, y, t)$ are determined by the boundary conditions in zdirection, but the averaged values $c_{iz}(x, y, t)$ can be obtained from the reduced 2D problem. The parameters a_i can be chosen to minimize the error of the solution.

This approach reduces problems of mathematical physics in 3 spatial dimensions with discontinuous coefficients to problems in 2 spatial dimensions. The same procedure can be applied in another direction to obtain a 1D problem, which can be solved analytically.

The solutions of the obtained 2-D initial-boundary value problem in a single layer is also obtained numerically, using the implicit finite difference approximation and alterating direction (ADI) method of Douglas and Rachford. The numerical solution is compared with the analytical solution . ¹.

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