

THE BOUNDARY VALUE PROBLEM POSED IN AN INFINITE DOMAIN FOR
ONE EQUATION OF TRANSFER THEORY

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Abstract. The aim of this paper is to study the boundary value problem for one non-homogeneous linear transport equation in a infinite medium with simple kernel. To this end the method of expansions by the eigenfunctions of the corresponding characteristic equation is used.

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Consider the following non-homogeneous linear transport equation which occurs when investigating many important problems of mathematical physics

$$\mu \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x} + \Psi(x, \mu, E) = \frac{c}{2} \int_{E_0}^{E_1} \int_{-1}^{+1} \alpha(E) \alpha(E') \Psi(x, \mu', E') d\mu' dE' + f(x, \mu, E), \quad (1)$$

$$x \in (-\infty, +\infty), \quad \mu \in [-1, +1], \quad E \in [E_0, E_1]$$

with additional conditions:

$i_1)$

$$\Psi^+(x_0, \mu, E) - \Psi^-(x_0, \mu, E) = \psi(\mu, E);$$

$i_2)$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \Psi(x, \mu, E) = 0$$

$$x_0 \in (-\infty, +\infty), \quad \mu \in [-1, +1], \quad E \in [E_0, E_1],$$

where $\alpha(E)$ is a continuous function and suppose that

$$\int_{E_0}^{E_1} \alpha^2(E) dE = 1,$$

$0 < c < 1$, the function $f(x, \mu, E)$ is also continuous, vanishes as $|x| \rightarrow \infty$, is differentiable with respect to x , satisfying H^* conditions [1] with respect to μ , the function $\psi(\mu, E)$ is continuous satisfying H^* conditions with respect to μ . We wish to find vanishing as $|x| \rightarrow \infty$, continuous solution of Eq.(1) satisfying H^* conditions with respect to μ and the additional conditions (i_1) and (i_2) .

Similar problem was investigated by K. Case [2].

It is known that [3] the general solution of the homogeneous equation

$$\mu \frac{\partial \Psi_0}{\partial x} + \Psi_0(x, \mu, E) = \frac{c}{2} \int_{E_0}^{E_1} \int_{-1}^{+1} \alpha(E) \alpha(E') \Psi_0(x, \mu', E') d\mu' dE', \quad (2)$$

$$x \in (-\infty, +\infty), \quad \mu \in [-1, +1], \quad E \in [E_0, E_1]$$

can be represented in the form

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi_0(x, \mu, E) &= d_- \varphi_-(\mu, E) e^{-(x-x_0)/\nu_0} + d_+ \varphi_+(\mu, E) e^{(x-x_0)/\nu_0} \\ &+ \int_{E_0}^{E_1} \int_{-1}^{+1} u(\nu, \zeta) \varphi_{\nu,(\zeta)}(\mu, E) e^{-(x-x_0)/\nu}, \end{aligned}$$

where $d_{\pm} = const$,

$$\varphi_{\pm}(\mu, E) = \frac{c \nu_0 \alpha(E)}{2 \nu_0 \mp \mu}$$

are the regular eigenfunctions with the two roots $\pm\nu_0$ eigenvalues which occur from the following equation

$$1 - \frac{c\nu}{2} \ln \frac{1 + 1/\nu}{1 - 1/\nu} = 0$$

ν_0 is real and does not lie between -1 and $+1$. The singular eigenfunctions have the form

$$\varphi_{\nu,(\zeta)}(\mu, E) = \frac{c\nu}{2} \frac{\alpha(E)\alpha(\zeta)}{\nu - \mu} + (\delta(\zeta - E) - \frac{c\nu}{2} \int_{-1}^{+1} \frac{\alpha(E)\alpha(\zeta)}{\nu - \mu'} d\mu') \delta(\nu - \mu). \quad (3)$$

It is also known that the system of eigenfunctions of the characteristic equation

$$(\nu - \mu) \varphi_{\nu}(\mu, E) = \frac{c\nu}{2} \int_{E_0}^{E_1} \int_{-1}^{+1} \alpha(E)\alpha(E') \varphi_{\nu}(\mu', E') d\mu' dE'$$

corresponding to the homogeneous equation (2) is complete for functions $\psi(\mu, E)$ which is continuous and satisfying H^* condition with respect to μ . It is to be shown that one can express $\psi(\mu, E)$ in the form

$$\psi(\mu, E) = a_- \varphi_-(\mu, E) + a_+ \varphi_+(\mu, E) + \int_{E_0}^{E_1} \int_{-1}^{+1} u(\nu, \zeta) \varphi_{\nu,(\zeta)}(\mu, E) d\nu d\zeta. \quad (4)$$

The coefficients a_{\pm} are readily found

$$a_{\pm} = \frac{1}{N_{\pm}} \int_{E_0}^{E_1} \int_{-1}^{+1} \mu \varphi_{\pm}(\mu, E) \psi(\mu, E) d\mu dE, \quad (5)$$

where

$$N_{\pm} = \int_{E_0}^{E_1} \int_{-1}^{+1} \mu \varphi_{\pm}^2(\mu, E) d\mu dE$$

the function $u(\nu, \zeta)$ may be defined by formula

$$u(\nu, \zeta) = \int_{E_0}^{E_1} \int_{-1}^{+1} \mu \tilde{\varphi}_{\nu,(\zeta)}(\mu, E) \psi(\mu, E) d\mu dE, \quad (6)$$

here

$$\tilde{\varphi}_{\nu,(\zeta)}(\mu, E) = \varphi_{\nu,(\zeta)}(\mu, E) + \frac{\rho(\nu)}{1 - \rho(\nu)} \int_{E_0}^{E_1} \alpha(\zeta)\alpha(\zeta') \varphi_{\nu,(\zeta')}(\mu, E) d\zeta'$$

and

$$\rho(\nu) = 1 - \lambda^2(\nu) - \frac{\pi^2 c^2 \nu^2}{4}, \quad \lambda(\nu) = 1 - \frac{c\nu}{2} \int_{-1}^{+1} \frac{d\mu}{\nu - \mu}.$$

In view of Eq. (4) for the function $f(x, \mu, E)$ we can write

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, \mu, E) &= b_-(x)\varphi_-(\mu, E) + b_+(x)\varphi_+(\mu, E) \\ &+ \int_{E_0}^{E_1} \int_{-1}^{+1} b(x, \nu, \zeta)\varphi_{\nu,(\zeta)}(\mu, E) d\nu d\zeta, \end{aligned}$$

where the coefficients $b_{\pm}(x)$ and $b(x, \nu, \zeta)$ are defined similar as a_{\pm} and $u(\nu, \zeta)$.

By immediate substitution it is established that the function

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi(x, \mu, E) &= \Psi_0(x, \mu, E) + \int_{x_0}^x b_-(s)\varphi_-(\mu, E)e^{-(x-x_0)/\nu_0} ds \\ &+ \int_{x_0}^x b_+(s)\varphi_+(\mu, E)e^{(x-x_0)/\nu_0} ds \\ &+ \int_{x_0}^x \int_{E_0}^{E_1} \int_{-1}^{+1} b(s, \nu, \zeta)\varphi_{\nu,(\zeta)}(\mu, E)e^{-(x-x_0)/\nu_0} d\nu d\zeta ds \end{aligned}$$

satisfies the equation (1).

It is seen that under the condition $x > x_0$ the function

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi(x, \mu, E) &= a_+\varphi_+(\mu, E)e^{-(x-x_0)/\nu_0} \\ &+ \int_{E_0}^{E_1} \int_0^{+1} u(\nu, \zeta)\varphi_{\nu,(\zeta)}(\mu, E)e^{-(x-x_0)/\nu} d\nu d\zeta + \int_{x_0}^x b_-(s)\varphi_-(\mu, E)e^{-(x-x_0)/\nu_0} ds \\ &+ \int_{x_0}^x b_+(s)\varphi_+(\mu, E)e^{(x-x_0)/\nu_0} ds \\ &+ \int_{x_0}^x \int_{E_0}^{E_1} \int_{-1}^{+1} b(s, \nu, \zeta)\varphi_{\nu,(\zeta)}(\mu, E)e^{-(x-x_0)/\nu_0} d\nu d\zeta ds \end{aligned}$$

is solution of Eq.(1) vanishes as $x \rightarrow \infty$. In just the same way under the condition $x < x_0$ the function

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi(x, \mu, E) &= -a_-\varphi_+(\mu, E)e^{-(x-x_0)/\nu_0} - \int_{E_0}^{E_1} \int_{-1}^0 u(\nu, \zeta)\varphi_{\nu,(\zeta)}(\mu, E)e^{-(x-x_0)/\nu} d\nu d\zeta \\ &+ \int_{x_0}^x b_-(s)\varphi_-(\mu, E)e^{-(x-x_0)/\nu_0} ds + \int_{x_0}^x b_+(s)\varphi_+(\mu, E)e^{(x-x_0)/\nu_0} ds \end{aligned}$$

is solution of Eq.(1) vanishes as $x \rightarrow -\infty$.

Now it remains to satisfy the condition (i_1) . But if the coefficients a_{\pm} and $u(\nu, \zeta)$ are defined from formulas (5) and (6) then the condition (i_1) will be fulfilled.

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