

THE PERTURBATION OF THE INTERFACE OF THE TWO-DIMENSIONAL DIFFRACTION PROBLEM AND AN APPROXIMATING MUSKAT MODEL

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Abstract In this paper, a new transformation is found out to straighten the interface $\Gamma: x=f(y)$, $f \in C^{2+\alpha}([0, a])$, $f|_{y=0, a} = 0$, $\delta < f < l - \delta$, $\delta > 0$, $\delta, l = \text{constants}$ and a perturbation of the interface is considered for a two dimensional diffraction problem. And the existence, uniqueness and regularity of an approximating Muskat model are proved.

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For the stationary diffraction problems, a lot of works have been done about the existence, uniqueness and regularity. In this paper, we consider a perturbation problem, i. e. for a stationary diffraction problem, if the interface has a perturbation, what does it happen about the solution and how is done to get an estimate to the change of its solution? It is a very interesting problem in many subjects such as the finite element method etc. As its application here, we consider an approximating Muskat Problem which is a two-dimension evolutionary elliptic free boundary problem and prove the existence and uniqueness of the solution in local. Muskat model is seen in [10].

1. Perturbation of an Interface of a Diffraction Problem

At first, we consider the perturbation of the interface of the two-dimensional linear elliptic diffraction problem as follows:

$$\begin{cases} \Delta p_i = F_i(x, y) & \text{in } \Omega_i, & i = 1, 2 \\ p_1|_{\Gamma} - p_2|_{\Gamma} = \varphi(y) \\ \frac{k}{\mu_1} \frac{\partial p_1}{\partial n} \Big|_{\Gamma} - \frac{k}{\mu_2} \frac{\partial p_2}{\partial n} \Big|_{\Gamma} = \chi(y) \\ p_1|_{x=0} = \bar{p}_1(y), p_2|_{x=l} = \bar{p}_2(y), \frac{\partial p_i}{\partial n} \Big|_{y=0, a} = 0, & i = 1, 2 \end{cases} \quad (1.1)$$

where

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Gamma: x = f(y) \\ \Omega_1 = \{(x, y); 0 < x < f(y), 0 < y < a\} \\ \Omega_2 = \{(x, y); f(y) < x < l, 0 < y < a\} \\ f \in C^{2+\alpha}([0, a]), f_y|_{y=0, a} = 0, \delta < f < l - \delta, \delta > 0 \\ \bar{p}_i \in C^{2+\alpha}([0, a]), F_i \in C^\alpha(\bar{\Omega}_i), i = 1, 2 \\ \varphi \in C^{2+\alpha}([0, a]), \chi \in C^{1+\alpha}([0, a]) \quad \alpha \in (0, 1) \\ 0 < \mu_1, \mu_2, k, a, l = \text{constants.} \end{array} \right. \quad (1.1)'$$

1.1 Some Auxiliary Lemmas

Lemma 1.1 *The boundary problem:*

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Delta \xi_1 = 0 \\ \xi_1|_{x=0} = \bar{\xi}_1, \quad \xi_1|_{x=f} = \bar{\xi}_0, \quad \xi_{1y}|_{y=0, a} = 0 \end{array} \right. \quad (1.2)$$

has a unique solution and has the estimate:

$$\|\xi_1\|_{C^{2+\alpha}(\Omega_1)} \leq C \quad (1.3)$$

where C depends on $\|f\|_{C^{2+\alpha}}, \|\bar{\xi}_i\|_{C^{2+\alpha}}, i=0, 1$, and

$$\bar{\xi}_i \in C^{2+\alpha}([0, a]), \bar{\xi}_{iy}|_{y=0, a} = 0, i = 1, 2.$$

Proof The existence, uniqueness and regularities of the solution are trivial except that at the corner points. For $f \in C^{2+\alpha}([0, a]), f_y(0) = f_y(a) = 0$, so Ω_1 can be even extended respecting to $\{y=0\}$ or $\{y=a\}$. Thus, the corner points become the boundary points, and at these new boundary points, the boundary values and the boundary curve belong to $C^{2+\alpha}$, too. So the second derivatives of ξ are also continuous up to the corner points and they are α -Hölder continuity.

Using the Hopf boundary point lemma, [8], we have:

Lemma 1.2 *When $\bar{\xi}_1, \bar{\xi}_0$ are two constants, and the constants satisfy that: $\bar{\xi}_1 < \bar{\xi}_0$, then, we can derive further that the value of the derivative of the solution of the problem (1.2) on Γ has the estimate*

$$\frac{\partial \xi_1}{\partial n} \Big|_{\Gamma} > \sigma > 0 \quad (1.4)$$

where σ depends on $\|f\|_{C^2}, \Omega_1, \Gamma = \{x=f(y), 0 \leq y \leq a\}$.

Lemma 1.3 *If $\bar{\xi}_1 < \bar{\xi}_0$ are two constants, then, the derivatives of the solution of the problem (1.2) have the estimate*

$$|\nabla \xi_1| > 0 \quad \text{on } \bar{\Omega}_1$$

Proof First of all, let us see an Alessandrini's result in the following^[5,6]

Theorem (H-W) *Let $u \in W_{loc}^{2,2}(\Omega)$ be a non-constant solution of*

$$\sum_{ij=1}^2 a_{ij} u_{x_j x_j} + \sum_{i=1}^2 b_i u_{x_i} = 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega$$