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# NEW APPROACHES TO SOME CLASSIC METHODS OF RADIATIVE TRANSFER

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1. About the Method of Discrete Ordinate (MDO). Let us consider the well known integral Equation of Radiative Transfer (RT).

$$S(\tau) = S_0(\tau) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \int_0^{\tau_0} K(|\tau - t|) S(t) dt \qquad (1)$$

where

$$K(\tau) = E_1(\tau) = \int_1^{\infty} e^{-\tau s} \frac{ds}{s}$$

Application of MDO leads to the following reduction

$$K(\tau) \approx T(\tau) = \sum_{m=1}^{n} a_m e^{-|\tau|s_m}$$
(2)

where  $\frac{1}{s}$  are the positive roots of Legandre polynomial  $P_{2n}(\eta)$  and  $a_{m} > 0$ .

Such choice of nodes of discretization (2) does not correspond to the essence of the problem.

Let S be the solution of (1) when K is replaced by T. For deviation  $|S-\bar{S}|$  we have the estimate

$$S - \widetilde{S} \le (1 - \lambda)^{-1} (1 - \lambda - \delta)^{-1} \delta S_0$$

where

$$\delta = \delta(s_1, s_2, \dots s_n, a_1, a_2, \dots a_n) = 2 \int_0^\infty |K(\tau) - T(\tau)| d\tau.$$

In [4] the problem of minimization of  $\delta$  for fixed *n*, when *K* is arbitrary superposition of exponentials

$$K(\tau) = \int_{0}^{0} e^{-|\tau|s} G(s) \, ds, \quad G \ge 0$$

was solved.

2. About the Method of Spheric Harmonics (MSH). Consider the problem of anisotropic scattering. MSH is based on the reduction

$$g(\mu) \approx \widetilde{g}(\mu) = \sum_{m=0}^{n} c_m P_m(\mu)$$

where  $g(\mu)$  is the indicatrix of scattering,  $P_{\perp}$  are Legandre polynomials, and  $c_{\perp}$  are the corresponding Fourier coefficients. It was shown that the choice of this coefficients, based on requirement of minimization of quantity

$$\delta = \delta(c_0, c_1, \dots, c_n) = \int_{-\infty}^{1} \left[ g(\mu) - \sum_{m=0}^{n} c_m P_m(\mu) \right]^{-1} d\mu$$

is more effective. The problem of minimization of  $\delta$  for fixed *n* can be solved by numerical methods.

3. About Principle of Invariance (PI). Consider the general linear Transfer Equation in homogeneous half-space  $\Pi(0, +\infty)$  (see [5]).

$$\pm \frac{d \mathbf{J}^{\pm}}{dt} = -\mathbf{A}\mathbf{J}^{\pm} + \mathbf{L}^{+}\mathbf{J}^{\pm} + \mathbf{L}^{-}\mathbf{J}^{\pm}$$
(3)

where the vectors  $J^+$  and  $J^-$  are the desired radiation intensities at the optical depth  $\tau$  in directions of increasing and decreasing  $\tau$  respectively.

The operators A and  $J^*$  describe the absorption and redistribution of radiat  $r_i$  by infinite thin slab.

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Ambartsumian's equation corresponding to (3) has the form

$$A\rho + \rho A = L^{-} + \rho L^{+} + L^{+}\rho + \rho L^{-}\rho$$
<sup>(4)</sup>

where  $\rho$  is the operator of reflection from  $\Pi(0, +\infty)$ . It was shown, that the Eq. (4) has always unique physical solution (PS), which is the limit of iterations  $\rho_{\mu}$ , determined by

$$A\rho_{n+1} + \rho_{n+1}A = L^{-} + \rho_{n}L^{+} + L^{+}\rho_{n} + \rho_{n}L^{-}\rho_{n}, \rho_{0} = 0.$$

PS is the minimal positive solution of (4).

Новые подходы к некоторым классическим методам теории переноса излучения. Предлагаются новые, математически обоснованные, подходы к Принципу инвариантности Амбарцумяна, методу дискретных ординат Чандрасекара и методу Сферических гармоник.

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