Numerical Method for 2D Quasi-linear Hyperbolic Equation on an Irrational Domain: Application to Telegraphic Equation

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Abstract

We develop a novel three-level compact method (implicit) of second order in time and space directions using unequal grid for the numerical solution of 2D quasi-linear hyperbolic partial differential equations on an irrational domain. The stability analysis of the model problem for unequal mesh is discussed and it is revealed that the developed scheme is unconditionally stable for the Telegraphic equation. For linear difference equations on an irrational domain, the alternating direction implicit method is discussed. The projected technique is scrutinized on several physical problems on an irrational domain to exhibit the accuracy and effectiveness of the suggested method.

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I. Introduction

Partial differential equations (PDEs) have a variety of applications in the field of engineering and physical sciences. The hyperbolic PDEs model the vibration of structure (e.g., beams, buildings, and machines) and are the basis for fundamental equations of atomic physics. Linear hyperbolic PDEs elucidate the linear phenomena which arise in numerous areas such as biology, industry, aerospace, etc., whereas nonlinear phenomena take place in various areas (e.g., fluid dynamics, mathematical biology, solid-state physics, plasma physics, and chemical kinematics), which can be described by nonlinear PDEs. The approximate solution of 2D second-order quasi-linear hyperbolic PDEs plays a vital role in numerous areas such as engineering, mathematical and physical sciences.

Let us consider the 2D quasi-linear hyperbolic PDEs

$$
\phi_{tt} = A(x,y,t,\phi)\phi_{xx} + B(x,y,t,\phi)\phi_{yy} + R(x,y,t,\phi,\phi_x,\phi_y,\phi_t),
$$

$$
0 < x < a, 0 < y < b, t > 0 \tag{1}
$$

with two initial conditions prescribed by

$$
\phi(x,y,0) = a_0(x,y), \quad \phi_t(x,y,0) = a_1(x,y), \quad 0 \leq x \leq a, 0 \leq y \leq b, \tag{2}
$$

and prescribed boundary conditions are

$$
\phi(0,y,t) = b_0(y,t), \quad \phi(a,y,t) = b_1(y,t), \quad 0 \leq y \leq b, t > 0, \tag{3}
$$

$$
\phi(x,0,t) = c_0(x,t), \quad \phi(x,b,t) = c_1(x,t), \quad 0 \leq x \leq a, t > 0. \tag{4}
$$

Here $A(x,y,t,\phi) > 0$, $B(x,y,t,\phi) > 0$ and $A, B, \phi$, $a_0$, $a_1$ are satisfactorily regular, and also their required higher order partial derivatives are defined analytically in the solution region $\Omega \equiv \{(x,y,t): 0 < x < a, 0 < y < b, t > 0\}$. The initial and boundary conditions (2)-(3) are given with required regularity to remain the order of the method unchanged. Besides we presume that there exists exactly one regular solution for the initial boundary value problem (IBVP) (1)-(3). Required information is discussed by Li et al.1. It has been experienced in the past that the nonlinear partial differential equations are more complicated to solve analytically and there are no general methods exist for the solution of such equations. Therefore, stable numerical methods are the only choice to handle such problems. The existence and uniqueness of the solution of 1D nonlinear second order hyperbolic PDEs have been discussed by Li et al.1. In 1968, Greenspan3 has introduced a boundary value technique to obtain an approximate solution of the wave equation. Ciment and Leventhal3,4 have studied the fourth-order compact implicit method to solve wave equations. Any explicit scheme for the second order hyperbolic equation is stable for a certain stability range. However, Twizell7 has established a new compact scheme for the wave equation with an improved stability range. Mohanty et al.7 have discussed a higher order numerical scheme for the solution of the 2D second order nonlinear hyperbolic PDEs. Further, Mohanty et al.7 have developed the method to approximate the solution of second order quasi-linear hyperbolic PDEs. All the developed schemes3,7 are not unconditionally stable. Many researchers8-17 have proposed implicit methods for the solution of 2D linear hyperbolic PDEs. All numerical methods discussed in1-17 are based on equal mesh discretization and not applicable to find the approximate solution if the ratio of the sides of the solution domain is an irrational number. Unequal mesh discretization plays an important role when the solution domain is irrational. Most recently, Priyadarshini and Mohanty18,19 have presented novel ideas to approximate the solution of 2D quasi-linear elliptic PDEs on an irrational domain.

To the authors’ knowledge, no high precision numerical scheme using unequal mesh for the solution of 2D quasi-linear hyperbolic PDEs on an irrational domain has been...
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discussed in the literature so far. The mesh sizes cannot be equal in both x- and y-coordinates in the case of an irrational domain. Therefore, the development of a suitable high precision approximate solution using different mesh sizes for the hyperbolic PDE (1) plays a significant role. In the present work, we discuss a novel three-level compact implicit scheme of order of accuracy two in time and space directions for the solution of 2D quasi-linear hyperbolic PDE (1) on an irrational domain. The article is displayed as follows: In section II, the scheme has been formulated based on an unequal mesh and provides a total derivation of the numerical scheme. In section III, we discuss the stability analysis and alternative direction implicit (ADI) method for 2D Telegraphic equation. In section IV, several hyperbolic equations of physical repute have been computed to clarify and scrutinize the accuracy of the recommended methods. Finally, section V summarizes all the steps.

II. Conceptualization and Derivation of the Numerical Method

Now, we consider the 2D nonlinear hyperbolic PDE of the form

\[ \phi_{tt} = A(x, y, t) \phi_{xx} + B(x, y, t) \phi_{yy} + R(x, y, t, \phi, \phi_x, \phi_y, \phi_t), \]

where \( a/b \) is an irrational number, \( A(x, y, t) \geq 0, B(x, y, t) \geq 0 \) and equations (1)-(4) represent the initial and boundary conditions. Let the grid spacing in x-, y- and t-coordinates be \( h_x > 0, h_y > 0 \) and \( k > 0 \), respectively. The domain \( \Omega \equiv \{(x, y, t): 0 < x < a, 0 < y < b, t > 0 \} \) is sheathed by a set of mesh points \((x_i, y_m, t_j)\), where \( x_i = ih_x, l = 0 (1)N + 1; y_m = mh_y, m = 1 (1)M + 1; \) \& \( t_j = jk, 0 < j < J \), where \( N, M, J \) are positive integer \( (N + 1)h_x = a, (M + 1)h_y = b \). Let us defined the mesh ratio parameters by \( P_x = \frac{k}{h_x} > 0 \) and \( P_y = \frac{k}{h_y} > 0 \).

Let \( \Phi_{lm}^j = \phi(x_i, y_m, t_j) \) be the exact solution value of \( \phi(x, y, t) \) at the nodal point \((x_i, y_m, t_j)\), and \( \Phi_{lm}^j \) approximates \( \Phi_{lm}^j \). Let \( A_{lm}^j = A(x_i, y_m, t_j) \), \( B_{lm}^j = B(x_i, y_m, t_j) \), \( A_x_{lm}^j = A_x(x_i, y_m, t_j) \), \( B_x_{lm}^j = B_x(x_i, y_m, t_j) \),... be the exact values of \( A(x, y, t), B(x, y, t), A_x(x, y, t), B_x(x, y, t) \),... at the nodal point \((x_i, y_m, t_j)\), respectively.

At the mesh point \((x_i, y_m, t_j)\), we may write the nonlinear differential equation (5) as

\[ \Phi_{lm}^{j+1} - 2\Phi_{lm}^j + \Phi_{lm}^{j-1} = \frac{1}{2k} \left[ \Phi_{lm+1}^j - \Phi_{lm-1}^j \right] = \Phi_{lm}^j + O(k^2), \]

\[ \Phi_{lm}^{j+1} = \Phi_{lm}^j + O(h_x^2), \]

\[ \Phi_{lm}^{j+1} = \Phi_{lm}^j + O(h_y^2), \]

\[ \Phi_{lm}^{j+1} = \Phi_{lm}^j + O(h_x^2 + h_y^2), \]

\[ \Phi_{lm}^{j+1} = \Phi_{lm}^j + O(h_x^2 + h_y^2). \]

With the aim to derive finite difference scheme for the HPDE (5), consider the following linear combination:

\[ R_{lm}^j = R_{lm}^j + P_1 h_x R_{lm}^j + P_2 h_y R_{lm}^j + P_3 k R_{lm}^j, \]

\[ \Phi_{xx}^{j+1} - \Phi_{xx}^j = \left[ A_{lm+1}^j - 2A_{lm}^j + A_{lm-1}^j \right] \Phi_{xx}^{j+1} + \left[ B_{lm+1}^j + 2B_{lm}^j + B_{lm-1}^j \right] \Phi_{xx}^j + \left[ P_1 h_x R_{xlm}^j + P_2 h_y R_{xlm}^j + P_3 k R_{xlm}^j \right] \Phi_{xx}^{j+1} + \left[ P_1 h_x R_{xlm}^j + P_2 h_y R_{xlm}^j + P_3 k R_{xlm}^j \right] \Phi_{xx}^j \]

\[ + P_3 k R_{xlm}^j - P_3 k A_{lm}^j \Phi_{xlm}^j - P_3 k B_{lm}^j \Phi_{ylm}^j - h_x P_1 A_{lm}^j \Phi_{xlm}^j - h_y P_2 B_{lm}^j \Phi_{ylm}^j \]

\[ + O(k^2 + h_x^2 + h_y^2). \]

Equating the coefficients of \( \Phi_{xx}^{j+1}, \Phi_{xy}^{j+1} \) and \( \Phi_{tt}^{j+1} \) to zero, we get

\[ P_3 = 0, P_2 = 0, \]

Thus,

\[ L \Phi = \Phi_{tt}^{j+1} - A_{lm}^j \Phi_{xx}^{j+1} - B_{lm}^j \Phi_{yy}^j = R_{lm}^j + O(k^2 + h_x^2 + h_y^2). \]
Then the approximation for the PDEs (5) at each nodal point \((x_l, y_m, t_j)\) is given by

\[
L_\phi \equiv \Phi^{\ell}_{t,lm} - A_{x\ell,m}^{\ell} \Phi_{x\ell,xlm}^{\ell} - B_{lm}^{\ell} \Phi_{y\ell,ylm}^{\ell}
= R_{lm}^{\ell} + T_{lm}^{\ell}
\]

for \(l = 1 (1) N, m = 1 (1) M, j = 0, 1, 2, \ldots, J,\)

(16)

where the local truncation error (LTE),

\[
T_{lm}^{\ell} = O(k^2 + h_x^2 + h_y^2)
\]

Finally, using the approximations (10)-(13) from (15) and (16), the LTE is obtained as

\[
T_{lm}^{\ell} = O(k^2 + h_x^2 + h_y^2).
\]

(17)

Thus, the order of the proposed method is \(O(k^2 + h_x^2 + h_y^2)\).

Incorporating the prescribed conditions (2)-(4), the method (16) can be expressed in a block tri-diagonal matrix form at each advanced time level. We use the operator splitting method or ADI method for linear PDEs, and Newton-Raphson for nonlinear or quasi-linear PDEs\(^{20,21}\).

III. Stability Analysis and Operator Splitting Technique

The mathematical modelling of well-known linear telegraphic equation in two-space dimension along with forcing function is given by

\[
\phi_{tt} + 2\alpha_0 \phi_t + \beta_0^2 \phi = \phi_{xx} + \phi_{yy} + f(x, y, t),
\]

subject to prescribed initial and Dirichlet boundary conditions stated in (2)-(4). Here \(\alpha_0, \beta_0\) are constants.

Equation (18) represents a damped wave equation when \(\beta_0 = 0\). In this section, we denote \(a = \alpha_0^2 k^2, b = \beta_0^2 k^2, P_x = \frac{k}{h_x} > 0\) and \(P_y = \frac{k}{h_y} > 0\).

Applying the scheme (16) to the PDE (18), neglecting error terms, we get

\[
[\delta_x^2 + \sqrt{\alpha}(2\mu_x \delta_t) + b - P_x^2 \delta_x^2 - P_y^2 \delta_y^2] \phi_{lm}^{\ell} = k^2 f_{lm}^{\ell}.
\]

(19)

where \(\delta_x \phi_{lm}^{\ell} = \phi_{lm+1/2,m}^{\ell} - \phi_{lm-1/2,m}^{\ell}\) and \(\mu_x \phi_{lm}^{\ell} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \phi_{lm+1/2,m}^{\ell} + \phi_{lm-1/2,m}^{\ell} \right]\) are central and average difference approximations in the \(x\)-direction, etc and \(f_{lm}^{\ell} = f(x_l, y_m, t_j)\).

The above linear scheme is not unconditionally stable\(^{7}\). To find an unconditionally stable scheme of the same accuracy, using the concept used by Chawla\(^{20}\), we may re-write (19) into a similar form

\[
\left\{ [1 + \gamma_1 b] \delta_x^2 + \sqrt{\alpha}(2\mu_x \delta_t) - \gamma_2 P_x^2 \delta_x^2 \delta_t^2 \right\} \phi_{lm}^{\ell}
+(b - \gamma_3 P_x^2 \delta_x^2 \delta_t^2 - P_x^2 \delta_x^2 - P_y^2 \delta_y^2) \phi_{lm}^{\ell}
=k^2 f_{lm}^{\ell}.
\]

(20)

where \(\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3\) are parameters to be found and added high order parts do not change the accuracy of the scheme.

Let us suppose that, there exists an error \(e_{lm}^{\ell} = \phi_{lm}^{\ell} - \phi_{lm}^{\ell}\) at each interior nodal point \((x_l, y_m, t_j)\), the corresponding error equation is given by

\[
\left\{ [1 + \gamma_1 b] \delta_x^2 + \sqrt{\alpha}(2\mu_x \delta_t) - \gamma_2 P_x^2 \delta_x^2 \delta_t^2 \right\} \epsilon_{lm}^{\ell}
+(b - \gamma_3 P_x^2 \delta_x^2 \delta_t^2 - P_x^2 \delta_x^2 - P_y^2 \delta_y^2) \epsilon_{lm}^{\ell}
=LTE.
\]

(21)

For the stability region, the corresponding characteristic equation can be attained by putting \(\epsilon_{lm}^{\ell} = \xi^2 e^{i\theta} e^{im\theta}\) in the non-homogeneous part of the error Eq. (21) as

\[
A_0 \xi^2 + B_0 \xi + C_0 = 0,
\]

(22)

where

\[
A_0 = 1 + \gamma_1 b + \sqrt{\alpha} + 4\gamma_2 P_x^2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}
+4\gamma_3 P_x^2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2},
\]

(23)

\[
B_0 = 4P_x^2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} - 8\gamma_2 P_x^2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} - 8\gamma_3 P_x^2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2},
\]

(24)

\[
C_0 = 1 + \gamma_1 b - \sqrt{\alpha} + 4\gamma_2 P_x^2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}
+4\gamma_3 P_x^2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2},
\]

(25)

For stability, the necessary and sufficient conditions for \(|\xi| < 1\) are that

\[
A_0 + B_0 + C_0 > 0, \quad A_0 - C_0 > 0 \text{ and } A_0 + B_0 + C_0 > 0.
\]

The condition \(A_0 + B_0 + C_0 > 0\)

\[
= b + 4 \left[ P_x^2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} + P_y^2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right] > 0
\]

is satisfied for \(\alpha_0 > 0, \beta_0 > 0\) and \(\forall \theta, \beta\) excluding \(\theta = \beta = 0\) or \(2\pi\) and \(\beta_0 = 0\).

We will take care of this case at the end of this section.

The condition \(A_0 - C_0 = 2\sqrt{\alpha} > 0\)

(27)

is satisfied for all \(\alpha_0 > 0,\beta_0 > 0\) and for \(\theta, \beta\).

Finally, the condition

\[
A_0 - B_0 + C_0 = (4\gamma_1 - 1)b + 4(4\gamma_2 - 1)P_x^2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}
+4 + 4(4\gamma_3 - 1)P_x^2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} > 0
\]

(28)
must be satisfied for all $\alpha > 0$, $\beta_0 \geq 0$ provided $\gamma_1 \geq \frac{1}{4}$, $\gamma_2 \geq \frac{1}{4}$, $\gamma_3 \geq \frac{1}{4}$.

When $\theta = \beta = 0$ or $2\pi$ and $\beta_0 = 0$, the characteristic eq. (22) becomes

$$(1 + \sqrt{a})\xi^2 - 2\xi + (1 - \sqrt{a}) = 0$$

(29)

On solving (29), we get $\xi_1 = 1$ and $\xi_2 = (1 - \sqrt{a})/(1 + \sqrt{a}) = (1 - \alpha k)/(1 + \alpha k)$. 

Here we also find that $|\xi| \leq 1$ and the method (20) is stable.

Thus for $\alpha_0 > 0, \beta_0 \geq 0$, $\gamma_1 \geq \frac{1}{4}, \gamma_2 \geq \frac{1}{4}, \gamma_3 \geq \frac{1}{4}$ (i.e. $\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3$ are free of $h_x, h_y$ and $k$), the method (20) is stable.

Re-arranging the terms, the method (20) can be written as

$$\{1 + \gamma_1 b - \gamma_2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}\} \hat{\phi}_{1m} = R\phi$$

(31)

The added high order extra terms does not influence the accurateness of the method. To assist in the numerical reckoning, the method (31) can be written in two-step ADI\textsuperscript{22,23} form

$$[1 - \gamma_1 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2}] \hat{\phi}_{1m} = R\phi$$

(32)

$$[1 + \gamma_1 b - \gamma_2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}] \hat{\phi}_{1m} + \sqrt{a}(2\mu_1 \xi_1) \hat{\phi}_{1m} = \hat{\phi}_{1m}$$

(33)

where $\hat{\phi}_{1m}$ is treated as an intermediate boundary value. To solve (32), required intermediate boundary values can be acquired from (33). Both the systems (32) and (33) are tri-diagonal systems and thus, can be solved employing a tri-diagonal solver.

IV. Computational Results

We have solved several standard problems arising from physics and engineering using the method (16). The analytical solutions are known in each example. We determined the right-hand side homogenous function $f(x,y,t)$, initial & boundary conditions using the analytical solution as a test process. The Gauss elimination (tri-diagonal solver) method can be employed for solving the linear difference equation and the Newton-Raphson method for non-linear difference equations\textsuperscript{20,21}. We use MATLAB codes to perform all the numerical computations.

The presented methods (16) and (20) for second-order hyperbolic equations are three-level implicit methods. To commence the estimation, it is compulsory to calculate the numerical solution of $\phi$ of the desired accuracy at $t = k$.

As it is given the values of $\phi$ and $\phi_t$ at $t=0$ explicitly, we can determine the values of subsequent tangential derivatives of $\phi$ and $\phi_t$ at $t=0$, which implies that at $t=0$, the values of $\phi, \phi_x, \phi_y, \phi_{xx}, \phi_{yy} ..., \phi_t, \phi_{tx}, \phi_{ty}, \phi_{txx}, \phi_{txy} ...$ etc are known.

Using Taylor’s expansion, an approximation at first time level is given by

$$\phi_{1m}^0 = \phi_{0m}^0 + k(\phi_{1m}^0 + \frac{k^2}{2}(\phi_{tt})_{1m}^0 + O(k^3)$$

From Eq. (1), we have

$$\phi_{tt}^0 = [A(x,y,t,\phi)\phi_{xx} + B(x,y,t,\phi)\phi_{yy} + R(x,y,t,\phi, \phi_x, \phi_y, \phi_t)]_{1m}^0$$

(34)

(35)

From the equation (35), we can estimate the value of $\phi_{tt}$ at $t=0$ using the initial values of $\phi$ and its derivatives and automatically the value of $\phi$ at first time level i.e. at $t = k$ can be obtained from the equation (34) to the desired accuracy.

Example 1: We solved the linear telegraphic equation (18) in the solution domain $0 < x < 1, 0 < y < \sqrt{2}, t > 0$. The analytical result is given by $\phi(x,y,t) = \exp(-2t) \sinh x \sinh y$. The maximum absolute errors (MAEs) are reported in Table 1 at $t=5$ for a pre-set value of $\sigma_x = k(N + 1)^2 = 3.2$ and different values of $\alpha_0, \beta_0, \gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3$. Figures 1 display the analytical and numerical solution at $t=5$ for $\alpha_0 = 10, \beta_0 = 5, \gamma_1 = 0.5, \gamma_2 = \gamma_3 = 1.0$ and $N = M = 31$.

Example 2: (Wave equation in polar coordinates)

$$\phi_{tt} = \phi_{rr} + \phi_{zz} + \frac{1}{r} \phi_r + f(r,z,t),$$

$0 < r < 1, 0 < z < 1/\sqrt{2}, t > 0$ (36)

The above equation (36) represents the 2D wave equation in cylindrical polar coordinates. The analytical solution is given by $\phi(r,z,t) = \exp(-2t) \cosh r \cos z$. The MAEs are tabulated in Table 2 at $t=1.0$ and $t=2.0$ for a pre-set value of $\sigma_x = k(N + 1)^2 = 0.8$. The analytical and numerical solution curves are plotted in Figures 2 at $t=1.0$ for $N = M = 31$.

Example 3: (Van-der Pol type nonlinear wave equation)

$$\phi_{tt} = \phi_{xx} + \phi_{yy} + \gamma(\phi^2 - 1)\phi_t + f(x,y,t),$$

$0 < x < 1, 0 < y < \sqrt{2}, t > 0$ (37)

The analytical solution is given by $\phi(x,y,t) = \exp(-\gamma t) \sin(\pi x) \sin(\pi y)$. The MAEs at $t=1$ are reported in Table 3 for $\gamma=1, 2, 3$ with the fixed value of $\sigma_x = k(N + 1)^2 = 0.8$. Figures 3 the analytical and numerical solution curves at $t=1.0$ for $\gamma=1$ and $N = M = 31$. 
Table 1. Example 1: The MAEs at $t=5$, $k = 3.2(N+1)^{-2}$

| $N=M$ | $\alpha = 10, \beta = 5, \gamma_1 = 0.5, \gamma_2 = 1.0, \gamma_3 = 1.0$ | $\alpha = 20, \beta = 10, \gamma_1 = 1.0, \gamma_2 = 1.0, \gamma_3 = 1.0$ | $\alpha = 40, \beta = 4, \gamma_1 = 10.0, \gamma_2 = 20.0, \gamma_3 = 1.0$ | $\alpha = 50, \beta = 5, \gamma_1 = 0.25, \gamma_2 = 0.50, \gamma_3 = 0.75$ | $\alpha = 10, \beta = 0, \gamma_1 = 5.0, \gamma_2 = 5.0, \gamma_3 = 5.0$ |
|-------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| 15    | $1.1480e-05$                                     | $1.1944e-05$                                     | $1.3203e-05$                                     | $8.9809e-06$                                     | $1.5871e-05$                                     |
| 31    | $3.0656e-06$                                     | $2.8367e-06$                                     | $3.3496e-06$                                     | $2.2841e-06$                                     | $3.8909e-06$                                     |
| 63    | $7.1889e-07$                                     | $7.0735e-07$                                     | $8.2198e-07$                                     | $5.6474e-07$                                     | $9.1982e-07$                                     |

Example 4: (Dissipative nonlinear wave equation)

$$\phi_{tt} = \phi_{xx} + \phi_{yy} + \gamma \phi_t + f(x, y, t).$$

$$0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 1/\sqrt{2}, t > 0$$

The analytical solution is given by $\phi(x, y, t) = \sin(\pi x) \sin(\pi y) \cos t$. For a fixed value of $\sigma_x = k(N + 1)^{-2} = 0.8$, the MAEs are tabulated in Table 4 at $t=1$ and 2. Figures 4 display the analytical and numerical solution curves at $t=1$ for $N = M = 31$.

Example 5: (Quasi-linear hyperbolic equation)

$$\phi_{tt} = (1 + \phi^2)(\phi_{xx} + \phi_{yy}) + \gamma \phi_t + f(x, y, t)$$

$$0 < x < 1, 0 < y < \sqrt{2}, t > 0$$

The analytical solution is given by $\phi(x, y, t) = \exp(-2t) \sin(\pi x) \sin(\pi y)$. The MAEs at $t=1$ and 2 are reported in Table 5 for $\gamma = 1, 2,$ and $3$ with the fixed value of $\sigma_x = k(N + 1)^{-2} = 0.8$. Figures 5 display the analytical and numerical solution curves at $t=1$ for $\gamma = 1$ and $N = M = 31$.  

Table 3. Example 3: The MAEs for $k = 0.8(N+1)^{-2}$

| $N=M$ | $\gamma = 1$ | $\gamma = 2$ | $\gamma = 3$ |
|-------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 15    | $3.2872e-03$ | $1.6711e-03$ | $9.7153e-04$ |
| 31    | $8.1387e-04$ | $4.1590e-04$ | $2.4815e-04$ |
| 63    | $2.0393e-04$ | $1.0404e-04$ | $6.0481e-05$ |

Table 4. Example 4: The MAEs for $k = 0.8(N+1)^{-2}$

| $N=M$ | Proposed method $t = 1.0$ | $t = 2.0$ |
|-------|---------------------------|-----------|
| 15    | $5.1323e-05$              | $1.9533e-05$ |
| 31    | $1.2807e-05$              | $4.9905e-06$ |
| 63    | $3.1750e-06$              | $1.3757e-06$ |

Table 3. Example 3: The MAEs for $k = 0.8(N+1)^{-2}$

| $N=M$ | Proposed method $t = 1.0$ | $t = 2.0$ |
|-------|---------------------------|-----------|
| 15    | $1.8779e-03$              | $4.5233e-03$ |
| 31    | $4.7013e-04$              | $1.1309e-03$ |
| 63    | $1.1743e-04$              | $2.8271e-04$ |

Fig. 2. The graph of numerical vs. exact solution of example 2 at $t = 1$, $k = 0.8(N + 1)^{-2}$, $N = M = 31$.

Fig. 3. The graph of numerical vs. exact solution of example 3 at $t = 1$, $\gamma = 1$, $k = 0.8(N + 1)^{-2}$, $N = M = 31$.  

Fig. 1. The graph of numerical vs. exact solution of example 1 at $t = 5$, $k = 3.2(N + 1)^{-2}$, $N = M = 31$.  

Fig. 4. The graph of numerical vs. exact solution of example 3 at $t = 1$, $\gamma = 1$, $k = 0.8(N + 1)^{-2}$, $N = M = 31$.  

Fig. 5. The graph of numerical vs. exact solution of example 4 at $t = 1$, $\gamma = 1$, $k = 0.8(N + 1)^{-2}$, $N = M = 31$.  

Example 5: (Quasi-linear hyperbolic equation)
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Fig. 4. The graph of numerical vs. exact solution of example 4 at $t = 1, k = 0.8(N + 1)^{-2}, N = M = 31$.

Table 5. Example 5: The MAEs for $k = 0.8(N+1)^2$

| $N=M$ | Proposed method |
|-------|-----------------|
|       | $y = 1.0$       | $y = 2.0$       | $y = 3.0$       |
| 15    | 4.1836e-03      | 4.0046e-03      | 4.2300e-03      |
| 31    | 1.0568e-03      | 1.0302e-03      | 1.1332e-03      |
| 63    | 2.6491e-04      | 2.5808e-04      | 2.8801e-04      |

Fig. 5. The graph of numerical vs. exact solution of Example 5 at $t = 1, y = 1, k = 0.8(N + 1)^{-2}, N = M = 31$.

Table 6. Example 6: The MAEs for $k = 0.8(N+1)^2$

| $N=M$ | Proposed method |
|-------|-----------------|
|       | $y = 1.0$       | $y = 2.0$       | $y = 3.0$       |
| 15    | 1.1672e-02      | 5.2959e-02      | 3.2867e-01      |
| 31    | 2.9263e-03      | 1.2989e-02      | 7.6211e-02      |
| 63    | 7.3140e-04      | 3.2318e-03      | 1.8655e-02      |

Fig. 6. The graph of numerical vs. exact solution of Example 6 at $t = 1, k = 0.8(N + 1)^{-2}, N = M = 31$.

Table 7. Example 7: The MAEs for $k = 0.8(N+1)^2$

| $N=M$ | Proposed method |
|-------|-----------------|
|       | $t = 1.0$       | $t = 2.0$       |
| 15    | 1.5606e-03      | 1.7889e-03      |
| 31    | 3.8994e-04      | 4.4670e-04      |
| 63    | 9.7555e-05      | 1.1174e-04      |

Fig. 7. The graph of numerical vs. exact solution of Example 7 at $t = 1, k = 0.8(N + 1)^{-2}, N = M = 31$.

Example 6: (Nonlinear wave equation with variable coefficients)

\[
\phi_{tt} = (1 + x^2)\phi_{xx} + (1 + y^2)\phi_{yy} + \gamma \phi(\phi_x + \phi_y + \phi_t) + f(x, y, t), 0 < x < 1, 0 < y < e, t > 0 \tag{40}
\]

The analytical solution is given by $\phi(x, y, t) = \text{sint} \times \text{coshx cosy}$. The MAEs are tabulated in Table 6 for $y = 1, 2, 3$ with the fixed value of $\sigma_x = k(N + 1)^2 = 0.8$. Figures 6 represent the analytical and numerical solution curves at $t = 1$ for $y = 1$ and $N = M = 31$.

Example 7: (Nonlinear Ohm’s law)

\[
\phi_{tt} + A(\phi)\phi_t = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}[g(\phi)\phi_x] + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}[g(\phi)\phi_y] + f(x, y, t), 0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 1/\sqrt{2}, t > 0 \tag{41}
\]

For $g(\phi) = \text{constant}$, the equation of the type (41) encountered in the theory of electric field and nonlinear Ohm’s law, $\phi$ is the electric field strength. The analytical solution is given by $\phi(x, y, t) = \sin(\pi x) \sin(\pi y) \sin t$. The MAEs are tabulated in Table 7 at $t = 1$ and $t = 2$ for $A(\phi) = \phi^2$, $g(\phi) = 1$ and for a fixed value of $\sigma_x = k(N + 1)^2 = 0.8$. The analytical and numerical solution curves are plotted in Figures 7 at $t = 1$ for $N = M = 31$.

The proposed method (16) is of $O(k^2 + h_x^2 + h_y^2)$. Since we have used unequal mesh, that is, $h_x \propto h_y$, the LTE given in (16) reduces to $O(k^2 + h_y^2)$. Further, when $k \propto h_x$, the proposed method becomes of $O(h_x^2)$, that is, order two in space. In order to show the second order convergence, we have chosen $k = 3.2h_x^2$ in example 1 and $k = 0.8h_x^2$ in other examples. We have estimated the order of convergence using the formula.
where maximum absolute errors are $e_{h_{x1}}$ and $e_{h_{x2}}$ for two different uniform mesh sizes $h_{x1} = \frac{a}{(1+4x_1)}$ and $h_{x2} = \frac{a}{(1+4x_2)}$ respectively. To calculate the order of convergence of the suggested method, MAEs for the last two values of $h_x$, i.e., $h_{x1} = 1/32$ and $h_{x2} = 1/64$ (for linear problems) and $h_{x1} = 1/16$ and $h_{x2} = 1/32$ (for nonlinear and quasi-linear problems) have been considered, and corresponding results are presented in Table 8.

It has been verified that there is a reduction in the values of the MAEs by about $1/4$, when the value of $h_x$ is reduced by $\frac{1}{32}$. Clearly, the experimental results are consistent and endorse the second-order convergence of the suggested method. Further, it is not possible to plot the graph in four dimensions $(u, x, y)$. For fixed values of $t$, we have plotted the graphs for both numerical and exact solutions in three dimensions. The numerical and exact solution graphs are nearly identical for a fixed value of $t$ and $\varepsilon$.

V. Conclusion

Available developed numerical schemes quoted in the references for the solution of 2nd order quasi-linear hyperbolic PDEs are useful for computation on a uniform mesh with equal mesh sizes. In the present paper, we have considered an irrational domain $\Omega = \{(x, y, t): 0 < x < a, 0 < y < b, t > 0\}$, with unequal mesh sizes and established a novel stable numerical scheme of $O(k^2 + h_x^4 + h_y^4)$ so that many real-world 2D engineering problems can be solved. The suggested scheme is appropriate to solve wave equations in polar/cylindrical coordinates. The developed technique is revealed to be unconditionally stable when applied to the telegraphic equation, and the stability criterion is established. Further, our method is not applicable on variable mesh and hyperbolic equations with mixed derivative terms. We have solved some noteworthy problems both linear and nonlinear HPDEs to justify the usefulness of the suggested method. The proposed technique can be extended to develop a scheme of $O(k^2 + h_x^4 + h_y^4)$ to solve 2D quasi-linear HPDEs on an irrational domain.

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Table 8. Order of the convergence

| Example | Parameters | Order of the method |
|---------|------------|---------------------|
| 01      | $a = 10, \beta = 5.0, \gamma_1 = 0.5, \gamma_2 = 1.0, \gamma_2 = 1.0$ at $t = 5$ | 2.0923 |
|         | $a = 20, \beta = 10, \gamma_1 = 1.0, \gamma_2 = 1.0$ at $t = 5$ | 2.0037 |
|         | $a = 40, \beta = 4.0, \gamma_1 = 10, \gamma_2 = 20, \gamma_2 = 30$ at $t = 5$ | 2.0268 |
|         | $a = 50, \beta = 5.0, \gamma_1 = 0.25, \gamma_2 = 0.50, \gamma_2 = 0.75$ at $t = 5$ | 2.0160 |
|         | $a = 10, \beta = 0.0, \gamma_1 = 5.0, \gamma_2 = 5.0, \gamma_2 = 5.0$ at $t = 5$ | 2.0807 |
| 02      | at $t = 1.0$ | 2.0027 |
|         | at $t = 2.0$ | 1.9687 |
| 03      | $y = 1.0$ at $t = 1.0$ | 2.0140 |
|         | $y = 2.0$ at $t = 1.0$ | 2.0065 |
|         | $y = 3.0$ at $t = 1.0$ | 2.0061 |
| 04      | at $t = 1.0$ | 1.9980 |
|         | at $t = 2.0$ | 1.9999 |
| 05      | $y = 1.0$ at $t = 1.0$ | 1.9850 |
|         | $y = 2.0$ at $t = 1.0$ | 1.9587 |
|         | $y = 3.0$ at $t = 1.0$ | 1.9003 |
| 06      | $y = 1.0$ at $t = 1.0$ | 1.9959 |
|         | $y = 2.0$ at $t = 1.0$ | 2.0276 |
|         | $y = 3.0$ at $t = 1.0$ | 2.0186 |
| 07      | at $t = 1.0$ | 2.0008 |
|         | at $t = 2.0$ | 2.0017 |
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