A Functionally-Fitted Block Numerov Method for Solving Second-Order Initial-Value Problems with Oscillatory Solutions

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Abstract. A functionally-fitted Numerov-type method is developed for the numerical solution of second-order initial-value problems with oscillatory solutions. The basis functions are considered among trigonometric and hyperbolic ones. The characteristics of the method are studied, particularly, it is shown that it has a third order of convergence for the general second-order ordinary differential equation, \( y'' = f(x, y, y') \), it is a fourth order convergent method for the special second-order ordinary differential equation, \( y'' = f(x, y) \). Comparison with other methods in the literature, even of higher order, shows the good performance of the proposed method.

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1. Introduction

Conventionally, second-order differential equations (DEs) whether solving analytically or numerically, can be reduced into an equivalent system of first-order equations to leverage on methods constructed for first-order systems (see Enright [7], Lambert [28], Brugnano et al. [5] and Fatunla [12] for a numerical point of view). According to Onumanyi et al. [31] and Awoyemi [4], the approach of reducing a second-order differential equation to a system of first-order differential equations is marred by a large human effort and a more demanding storage memory during implementation. It is even more complex when writing a computer code for the method, particularly the subroutine needed to supply starting values required for such method, due to the
large dimension of the resulting first-order system. Twizell and Khaliq [42], Coleman and Duxbury [6], Hairer and his collaborators [18, 19], and Lambert and Watson [29], established that solving second-order Differential Equations directly saves about half of the storage space. Hence, the direct solution of second-order DEs is more preferable.

In what follows we will consider a Functionally-Fitted Block Numerov’s Method (FFBNM) for the integration of second-order Initial-Value Problem (IVP) systems of the form

\[ y'' = f(x, y, y'), \quad y(x_0) = y_0, \quad y'(x_0) = y'_0, \]  

(1.1)

whose solution is assumed to be oscillatory or periodic, and the frequency is approximately known in advance, with \( f: \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m \) a smooth function that satisfies a Lipschitz condition, being \( m \) the dimension of the system.

As noticed before, solving the problem in (1.1) directly is preferable, since about half of the storage space can be saved, especially, if the dimension of the system is large (see Coleman and Duxbury [6]).

Many prominent authors including Simos [39], Coleman and Duxbury [6], Achar [3], Franco [14–17], Wang et al. [46], Van Daele et al. [43], Wang et al. [47,48], Fang et al. [8–11,49], Tsitouras [41], Li et al. [30], Jator et al. [21–27], Ramos et al. [32–38,40], among others, have presented numerical methods for directly solving the equation in (1.1) without transforming it into an equivalent system of first-order ODEs. However, the above contributions did not consider that the approximate interpolating function was a linear combination of monomial, trigonometric terms and hyperbolic terms. We emphasize that we will introduce a method which approximates the solution of the IVP in (1.1) considering that the method is exact when the solution is in the space generated by \( \sigma(x) = \{1, \sin(\omega x), \cos(\omega x), \sinh(\omega x), \cosh(\omega x)\} \). This functional basis is motivated by its easiness to analyze and its expectations to provide improved approximations for second-order initial-value problems with periodic or oscillatory solutions.

The rest of the paper is organized as follows: the theoretical and basic elements of the FFBNM are discussed in Sect. 2. The basic properties of the FFBNM are studied in Sect. 3. Some numerical examples are considered in Sect. 4 to illustrate the performance of the method, and finally, Sect. 5 puts end to the paper with some conclusions.

### 2. Development of the FFBNM

In this section, we develop a Continuous Block Method of Numerov type (CBNM) on the interval \([x_n, x_{n+2}]\) to produce a discrete Block Numerov Method. To do this we consider \( m = 1 \), that is, the scalar case, although, as can be seen in the numerical section, the method can be applied in a component-wise formulation for solving differential systems. Three complementary formulas as a by-product via the CBNM formula to approximate the first derivatives are generated too, to form the Block Numerov Method. The CBNM has the general form
\[ \tau(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{1} \alpha_j(x, u) y_{n+j} + h^2 \sum_{j=0}^{2} \beta_j(x, u) f_{n+j}, \]  

(2.1)

where \( u = \omega h \), and \( \alpha_j, \beta_j \) are coefficients to be determined uniquely, that depend on the parameter frequency \( \omega \) and the step size \( h \). As usual, \( y_{n+j}, y'_{n+j} \) are numerical approximations to the exact values \( y(x_{n+j}), y'(x_{n+j}) \), and \( f_{n+j} = f(x_{n+j}, y_{n+j}, y'_{n+j}) \).

We consider that the true solution \( y(x) \) is locally approximated on the block interval \([x_n, x_{n+2}]\) by a solution \( \tau(x) \) of the form

\[ \tau(x) = a_0 + a_1 \sin(\omega x) + a_2 \cos(\omega x) + a_3 \sinh(\omega x) + a_4 \cosh(\omega x), \]  

(2.2)

where the coefficients \( a_i \) will be obtained demanding that the following system of equations is satisfied

\[
\begin{align*}
\tau(x_{n+j}) &= y_{n+j}, \quad j = 0, 1, \\
\tau''(x_{n+j}) &= f_{n+j}, \quad j = 0, 1, 2.
\end{align*}
\]

(2.3)

Now we state the main result that aids the construction of the CBNMs as follows:

**Theorem 2.1.** Let \( \tau(x) \) be the function given in (2.2) which satisfies the system in (2.3). The continuous approximation that will be used to obtain the FFBNM is given by

\[ \tau(x) = \Theta^T \left( \varsigma^{-1} \right)^T \left[ (\Omega^{-1})^T \sigma(x) \right], \]  

(2.4)

where \( \varsigma \) and \( \Omega \) are \( 5 \times 5 \) non-singular lower and upper triangular matrices given by

\[
\varsigma = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \Omega = \begin{bmatrix} \Omega_{1,1} & \Omega_{1,2} & \Omega_{1,3} & \Omega_{1,4} & \Omega_{1,5} \\
0 & \Omega_{2,2} & \Omega_{2,3} & \Omega_{2,4} & \Omega_{2,5} \\
0 & 0 & \Omega_{3,3} & \Omega_{3,4} & \Omega_{3,5} \\
0 & 0 & 0 & \Omega_{4,4} & \Omega_{4,5} \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \Omega_{5,5} \end{bmatrix},
\]

\( \sigma(x) \) and \( \Theta \) are vectors defined by \( \sigma(x) = (\sigma_0(x), \sigma_1(x), \sigma_2(x), \sigma_3(x), \sigma_4(x))^T \), with \( \{\sigma_j(x)\}_{j=0}^4 = \{1, \sin(\omega x), \cos(\omega x), \sinh(\omega x), \cosh(\omega x)\} \) and \( \Theta = (y_n, y_{n+1}, f_n, f_{n+1}, f_{n+2})^T \), respectively (the superscript \( T \) denotes the transpose).

**Proof.** Define the following non-singular matrix as the matrix containing the evaluation of the basis functions at the grid points,

\[
V = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_0(x_n) & \sigma_1(x_n) & \sigma_2(x_n) & \sigma_3(x_n) & \sigma_4(x_n) \\
\sigma_0(x_{n+1}) & \sigma_1(x_{n+1}) & \sigma_2(x_{n+1}) & \sigma_3(x_{n+1}) & \sigma_4(x_{n+1}) \\
\sigma_0''(x_n) & \sigma_1''(x_n) & \sigma_2''(x_n) & \sigma_3''(x_n) & \sigma_4''(x_n) \\
\sigma_0''(x_{n+1}) & \sigma_1''(x_{n+1}) & \sigma_2''(x_{n+1}) & \sigma_3''(x_{n+1}) & \sigma_4''(x_{n+1}) \\
\sigma_0''(x_{n+2}) & \sigma_1''(x_{n+2}) & \sigma_2''(x_{n+2}) & \sigma_3''(x_{n+2}) & \sigma_4''(x_{n+2}) \end{bmatrix}.
\]
To solve the system of equations in (2.3), we require that the coefficients in (2.1) are expressed in terms of the assumed basis functions as follows

\[ \alpha_j(x, u) = \sum_{i=0}^{4} \alpha_{i,j}(x, u) \sigma_i(x), \quad j = 0, 1. \]  

(2.5)

\[ \beta_j(x, u) = \sum_{i=0}^{4} \beta_{i,j}(x, u) \sigma_i(x), \quad j = 0, 1, 2. \]  

(2.6)

Substituting equations (2.5) and (2.6) into the equation (2.1) yields

\[ \tau(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{4} \left\{ \sum_{j=0}^{1} \alpha_{i,j}(x, u) y_{n+j} + h^2 \sum_{j=0}^{2} \beta_{i,j}(x, u) f_{n+j} \right\} \sigma_i(x). \]  

(2.7)

Letting

\[ \Delta_i = \sum_{j=0}^{1} \alpha_{i,j}(x, u) y_{n+j} + h^2 \sum_{j=0}^{2} \beta_{i,j}(x, u) f_{n+j}, \quad i = 0(1)4, \]

equation (2.7) becomes

\[ \tau(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{4} \Delta_i \sigma_i(x) = \Delta^T \sigma(x), \]  

(2.8)

where \( \Delta = (\Delta_0, \Delta_1, \Delta_2, \Delta_3, \Delta_4)^T \) is a vector of undetermined coefficients.

Imposing the conditions in equation (2.3) on equation (2.8), a system of five equations expressed as \( V \Delta = \Theta \) is obtained, being the undetermined coefficients ascertained simultaneously through the LU decomposition method. Factorizing \( V \) into a product of a non-singular lower matrix, \( \varsigma \), and a non-singular upper triangular one, \( \Omega \), and using the LU decomposition method we obtain

\[ \Delta = \Omega^{-1}(\varsigma^{-1} \Theta). \]

It follows from (2.8) that

\[ \tau(x) = (\Omega^{-1}(\varsigma^{-1} \Theta))^T \sigma(x) = \Theta^T (\varsigma^{-1})^T \left[(\Omega^{-1})^T \sigma(x)\right], \]

which is the desired result in (2.4).

\[ \square \]

Remark 2.2. The specific form of matrices \( \varsigma \), \( \Omega \) and \( V \) is provided in the Appendix.

Remark 2.3. We emphasize that equation (2.4) is of the form presented in equation (2.1), which together with its first derivative provide the main formula and three complementary formulas of the Functionally-Fitted Block Numerov Method (FFBNM).
2.1. Specification of FFBNM

The main formula and the three complementary formulas that form the block method FFBNM are obtained by evaluating the equation in (2.4) at \( x = x_{n+2} \), and its first derivative at the set of points \( \{x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}\} \). The resulting formulas are given by

\[
\begin{align*}
hy'_n &= \alpha_{0,3}y_n + \alpha_{1,3}y_{n+1} + h^2 (\beta_{0,3} (u) f_n + \beta_{1,3} (u) f_{n+1} + \beta_{2,3} (u) f_{n+2}), \\
hy'_{n+1} &= \alpha_{0,2}y_n + \alpha_{1,2}y_{n+1} + h^2 (\beta_{0,2} (u) f_n + \beta_{1,2} (u) f_{n+1} + \beta_{2,2} (u) f_{n+2}), \\
hy'_{n+2} &= \alpha_{0,1}y_n + \alpha_{1,1}y_{n+1} + h^2 (\beta_{0,1} (u) f_n + \beta_{1,1} (u) f_{n+1} + \beta_{2,1} (u) f_{n+2}), \\
y_{n+2} - 2y_{n+1} + y_n &= h^2 (\beta_0 (u) f_n + \beta_1 (u) f_{n+1} + \beta_2 (u) f_{n+2}).
\end{align*}
\]

The coefficients of these formulas are as follow:

\[
\begin{align*}
\alpha_{1,3} &= -\alpha_{0,3} = \frac{u}{2} (\cot(u) + \coth(u)) \\
\beta_{0,3} &= \frac{b_{03}}{2u \sinh(u) (-\cosh(u) + \cos(u)) \sin(u)} \\
\beta_{1,3} &= \frac{b_{13}}{2u \sinh(u) (-\cosh(u) + \cos(u)) \sin(u)} \\
\beta_{2,3} &= \frac{(-\cos(u) + 1) \sinh(u) - \sin(u) (\cosh(u) - 1)}{u (\sin(u) \sinh(2u) - \sinh(u) \sin(2u))}
\end{align*}
\]

with

\[
\begin{align*}
b_{03} &= (-\sinh(u) \cos(u) - \sin(u) (\cos(u) - 1)) \cosh(u) - \sin(u) \\
&\quad + \left( (\cos(u))^2 + \cos(u) - 1 \right) \sinh(u) + \sin(u) (\cosh(u))^2, \\
b_{13} &= ((-\sin(u) - \sinh(u)) \cos(u) + 2 \sinh(u)) \cosh(u) \\
&\quad - \sinh(u) (\cos(u))^2 + 2 \sin(u) \cos(u) - \sin(u) (\cosh(u))^2. \\
\alpha_{1,2} &= -\alpha_{0,2} = \frac{u}{2} (\csc(u) + \csch(u)) \\
\beta_{0,2} &= \frac{\sinh(2u) + \sin(2u) - 2 \sinh(u) - 2 \sin(u)}{2u (\sin(u) \sinh(2u) - \sinh(u) \sin(2u))} \\
\beta_{1,2} &= -\frac{(\sin(u) + \sinh(u)) (2 \cos(u) \cosh(u) - \cosh(u) - \cos(u))}{2u \sinh(u) (\cosh(u) - \cos(u)) \sin(u)} \\
\beta_{2,2} &= \frac{(\cos(u) - 1) \sinh(u) + \sin(u) (\cosh(u) - 1)}{u (\sin(u) \sinh(2u) - \sinh(u) \sin(2u))}
\end{align*}
\]

\[
\begin{align*}
\alpha_{1,1} &= -\alpha_{0,1} = \frac{u}{2} (\cot(u) + \coth(u)) \\
\beta_{0,1} &= \frac{b_{01}}{2u \sinh(u) (-\cosh(u) + \cos(u)) \sin(u)} \\
\beta_{1,1} &= -\frac{b_{11}}{2u (\sin(u) \sinh(2u) - \sinh(u) \sin(2u))} \\
\beta_{2,1} &= \frac{\cosh(2u) \sin(u) + \cos(2u) \sinh(u) - \cosh(u) \sin(u) - \sinh(u) \cos(u)}{u (\sin(u) \sinh(2u) - \sinh(u) \sin(2u))}
\end{align*}
\]
with

\[
\begin{align*}
  b_{01} &= \sin(u) - (\sinh(u) \cos(u) + \sin(u) (\cos(u) - 1)) \cosh(u) \\
  &\quad + \left(- (\cos(u))^2 + \cos(u) + 1\right) \sinh(u) - \sin(u) (\cosh(u))^2, \\
  b_{11} &= 2 \cosh(2u) \sin(2u) - \cosh(2u) \sin(u) + 2 \sinh(2u) \cos(2u) - \sin(u) \\
  &\quad - \sinh(2u) \cos(u) - \cos(2u) \sinh(u) - \sin(2u) \cosh(u) - \sinh(u), \\
  \beta_0 &= \frac{\cos(u) + \cosh(u) - 2}{u^2 (\cosh(u) - \cos(u))}, \\
  \beta_1 &= \frac{(4 \cos(u) - 2) \cosh(u) - 2 \cos(u)}{u^2 (- \cosh(u) + \cos(u))}, \\
  \beta_2 &= \frac{\cos(u) + \cosh(u) - 2}{u^2 (\cosh(u) - \cos(u))}
\end{align*}
\] (2.13)

**Remark 2.4.** We note that the two coefficients \(\beta_0\) and \(\beta_2\) of the main formula of the FFBNM are the same, and thus it is a symmetric formula. The plots of these coefficients are shown in Fig. 1.

For small values of \(u\), the coefficients of the FFBNM may be subject to heavy cancellations. In that case the Taylor series expansion of the coefficients must be used (see Lambert [28]). The series expansion of each of the coefficients, up to the twelfth order of approximation, is as follows

\[
\begin{align*}
  \alpha_{1,3} &= -\alpha_{0,3} = 1 - \frac{u^4}{45} - \frac{u^8}{4725} - \frac{1382 u^{12}}{638512875} \\
  \beta_{0,3} &= -724 + 73 u^4 - 1717 u^8 - 85829 u^{12}, \\
  \beta_{1,3} &= -1 + 53 u^4 - 17920 u^8 + 1238269 u^{12}, \\
  \beta_{2,3} &= 1 + 120960 u^4 + 95800320 u^8 + 4184557977600 u^{12} \\
  \alpha_{1,2} &= -\alpha_{0,2} = 1 + \frac{7 u^4}{360} + \frac{127 u^8}{604800} + \frac{1414477 u^{12}}{653837184000} \\
  \beta_{0,2} &= \frac{1}{8} + \frac{211 u^4}{120960} + \frac{571 u^8}{31933440} + \frac{4184557977600 u^{12}}{47900160}, \\
  \beta_{1,2} &= \frac{5}{12} + \frac{25 u^4}{4032} + \frac{535 u^8}{9580032} + \frac{1501 u^{12}}{2536095744}, \\
  \beta_{2,2} &= -\frac{1}{24} + \frac{37 u^4}{120960} + \frac{331 u^8}{95800320} - \frac{145043 u^{12}}{4184557977600} \\
  \alpha_{1,1} &= -\alpha_{0,1} = 1 - \frac{u^4}{45} - \frac{u^8}{4725} - \frac{1382 u^{12}}{638512875} \\
  \beta_{0,1} &= \frac{1}{24} - \frac{283 u^4}{120960} - \frac{227 u^8}{13685760} - \frac{71527 u^{12}}{380414361600}, \\
  \beta_{1,1} &= \frac{13}{12} - \frac{979 u^4}{60480} - \frac{1217 u^8}{47900160} - \frac{15431 u^{12}}{22992076800}, \\
  \beta_{2,1} &= 3 - \frac{u^4}{8} + \frac{17 u^8}{3548160} + \frac{4841 u^{12}}{154983628800}
\end{align*}
\] (2.16)
Figure 1. Graphical representation of coefficients $\beta_i$ of FFBNM
\[ \beta_0 = \frac{1}{12} \left( \frac{11 u^4}{60480} + \frac{37 u^8}{79833600} - \frac{7463 u^{12}}{627683696400} \right) \]
\[ \beta_1 = \frac{5}{6} \left( \frac{23 u^4}{6048} + \frac{17 u^8}{1596672} - \frac{17291 u^{12}}{6276836966400} \right) \]
\[ \beta_2 = \frac{1}{12} \left( \frac{11 u^4}{60480} + \frac{37 u^8}{79833600} - \frac{7463 u^{12}}{627683696400} \right) \] (2.17)

It is worth to note here that as \( u \to 0 \) in the power series expansion of the coefficients (or in the coefficients themselves), the fourth order Numerov method given by
\[ y_{n+2} - 2y_{n+1} + y_n = \frac{h^2}{12} (f_n + 10f_{n+1} + f_{n+2}) \]
is recovered from the main method of the FFBNM.

### 3. Basic Properties of the FFBNM

This section discusses the basic properties of the FFBNM which include the Local Truncation Error, Order, Error Constant, Zero-Stability, Convergence, Linear Stability and Region of Stability.

#### 3.1. Local Truncation Error, Order and Consistency of the FFBNM

**Theorem 3.1.** The local truncation error of the main formula in the FFBNM method has the form
\[ LTE = C_6 h^6 \left( \omega^4 y''(x_n) - y^{(6)}(x_n) \right) + O \left( h^7 \right), \]
where \( C_6 \) is the so called error constant.

**Proof.** For the main formula, with the assumption that \( y(x) \) is a sufficiently differentiable function, we consider the Taylor series expansions of \( y(x_n + jh) \), \( j = 0, 1 \), and \( y''(x_n + jh) \), \( j = 0, 1, 2 \). We replace in the formula the approximate values for the exact ones, that is, \( y_{n+j} \to y(x_n + jh) \), \( f_{n+j} \to y''(x_n + jh) \) and substitute the coefficients \( \beta_0 (u) \), \( \beta_1 (u) \) and \( \beta_2 (u) \) given in (2.13) into the last formula in (2.9). After simplifying, we obtain
\[ LTE = y(x_n + 2h) - \left( y(x_n) - 2y(x_n + h) + h^2 \sum_{j=0}^{2} \beta_j (u)y''(x_n + jh) \right) \]
\[ = C_6 h^6 \left( \omega^4 y''(x_n) - y^{(6)}(x_n) \right) + O \left( h^7 \right). \]

Following this procedure, the local truncation error is obtained for each of the formulas in (2.9). These errors are given by
\[
LTE = \begin{cases} 
\frac{-h^5}{45} (y^{(5)}(x_n) - \omega^4 y'(x_n)) + O(h^6) \\
\frac{7h^5}{360} (y^{(5)}(x_n) - \omega^4 y'(x_n)) + O(h^6) \\
\frac{-h^5}{45} (y^{(5)}(x_n) - \omega^4 y'(x_n)) + O(h^6) \\
\frac{-h^5}{240} (y^{(6)}(x_n) - \omega^4 y''(x_n)) + O(h^7) 
\end{cases}
\] (3.1)
which indicates that the order of the main formula is \( p = 4 \) and the order of each complimentary formula is \( p = 3 \). The order of convergence of the FFBNM will be analyzed below.

**Theorem 3.2.** The local truncation error of the main formula of the FFBNM preserves its basis functions, that is, when the solution of the problem in (1.1) is a linear combination of the basis functions \( \{\sigma_i\}_{i=0}^4 \), the local truncation error vanishes.

**Proof.** Solving the differential equation \( y^{(6)}(x) - \omega^4 y''(x) = 0 \) results in the following fundamental set of solutions \( \{1, x, \sin(\omega x), \cos(\omega x), \sinh(\omega x), \cosh(\omega x)\} \), which contains the basis functions of the FFBNM, from which the statement follows immediately.

**Remark 3.3.** Following the definition by Lambert [28], a numerical approach for solving (1.1) is said to be consistent if it has an order greater than one. We thus have that the FFBNM is consistent.

### 3.2. Analysis of Convergence of the FFBNM

The analysis of convergence of the FFBNM is done following the guidelines by Jain and Aziz [20], Jator and Li [24] and Abdulganiy et al. [1].

**Theorem 3.4.** Let \( \overline{Y} \) be a vector that approximates the true solution vector \( Y \), where \( \overline{Y} \) is the solution of the system obtained from the FFBNM given by the equations in (2.9) on the successive block intervals \([x_0, x_2], [x_2, x_4], \ldots, [x_{N-2}, x_N]\), with \( N \) even.

If we denote by \( E = (e_1, \ldots, e_N, he'_1, \ldots, he'_N)^T \) the error vector, where \( e_j = y(x_j) - y_j \) and \( he'_j = hy'(x_j) - hy'_j \), \( j = 1, 2, \ldots, N \), assuming that the exact solution is sufficiently differentiable on \([x_0, x_N]\), then, for sufficiently small \( h \) the FFBNM is a third-order convergent method, that is,

\[
\|E\| = \|\overline{Y} - Y\| = O(h^3).
\]

**Proof.** Let the \((2N \times N)\)-matrices of coefficients obtained from the FFBNM method be defined as follows:

\[
P_1 = \begin{pmatrix}
-\alpha_{1,3} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \ldots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
-\alpha_{1,2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \ldots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
-\alpha_{1,1} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \ldots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
-2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \ldots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & -\alpha_{0,3} & -\alpha_{1,3} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \ldots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & -\alpha_{0,2} & -\alpha_{1,2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \ldots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & -\alpha_{0,1} & -\alpha_{1,1} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \ldots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \ldots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & \ldots & 0 & 0 & 0 & \ldots & -\alpha_{0,3} & -\alpha_{1,3} & 0 \\
0 & 0 & \ldots & 0 & 0 & 0 & \ldots & -\alpha_{0,2} & -\alpha_{1,2} & 0 \\
0 & 0 & \ldots & 0 & 0 & 0 & \ldots & -\alpha_{0,1} & -\alpha_{1,1} & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \ldots & 1 & -2 & 1
\end{pmatrix}
\]
\[
P_2 = \begin{pmatrix}
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \ldots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \ldots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \ldots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \ldots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \ldots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \ldots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \ldots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \ldots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
\vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \ldots & 0 & 0 & 1 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \ldots & 0 & 0 & 0
\end{pmatrix},
\]
\[
Q = h^2 \begin{pmatrix}
\beta_{1,3} & \beta_{2,3} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \ldots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
\beta_{1,2} & \beta_{2,2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \ldots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
\beta_{1,1} & \beta_{1,2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \ldots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
\beta_{1} & \beta_{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \ldots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & \beta_{0,3} & \beta_{1,3} & \beta_{2,3} & 0 & 0 & \ldots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & \beta_{0,2} & \beta_{1,2} & \beta_{2,2} & 0 & 0 & \ldots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & \beta_{0,1} & \beta_{1,1} & \beta_{2,1} & 0 & 0 & \ldots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & \beta_{0} & \beta_{1} & \beta_{2} & 0 & 0 & \ldots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
\vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \ldots & \beta_{0,3} & \beta_{1,3} & \beta_{2,3} \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \ldots & \beta_{0,2} & \beta_{1,2} & \beta_{2,2} \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \ldots & \beta_{0,1} & \beta_{1,1} & \beta_{2,1} \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \ldots & \beta_{0} & \beta_{1} & \beta_{2}
\end{pmatrix},
\]
and the $2N$-vector containing the known values given by
\[
C = (-\alpha_{0,3}y_0 + hy_0' - h^2 \beta_{0,3}f_0, -\alpha_{0,2}y_0 - h^2 \beta_{0,2}f_0, -\alpha_{0,1}y_0 - h^2 \beta_{0,1}f_0, y_0 - h^2 \beta_{0}f_0, 0, \ldots, 0)^T.
\]

Let consider the vectors of exact values
\[
Y = (y(x_1), \ldots, y(x_N), hy'(x_1), \ldots, hy'(x_N)),
\]
\[
F = (f(x_1, y(x_1), y'(x_1)), \ldots, f(x_N, y(x_N), y'(x_N))),
\]
the vectors of approximate values
\[
\bar{Y} = (y_1, \ldots, y_N, hy_1', \ldots, hy_N'),
\]
\[
\bar{F} = (f_1, \ldots, f_N),
\]
and the vector of local truncation errors \( L(h) = (L_1, \ldots, L_{2N}). \)

Remark 3.5. Note that to form the global method the formulas in (2.9) are considered for \( n = 0, 2, 4, \ldots, N - 2 \), so we have a total of 2\( N \) formulas and 2\( N \) unknowns. Thus, we have a total of 2\( N \) truncation errors provided by the formulas in (3.1), which form the vector \( L(h) \).

Taking the \((2N \times 2N)\)-matrix \( P = (P_1 | P_2) \), the exact form of the system formed by the formulas in (2.9) along the two-step block intervals on \([x_0, x_N]\)
is
\[ PY - QF + C = L(h). \] (3.2)

On the other hand, the system may be written as
\[ P \bar{Y} - QF + C = 0. \] (3.3)

Subtracting equation (3.3) from equation (3.2) we obtain
\[ P(Y - \bar{Y}) - Q(F - \bar{F}) = L(h), \] (3.4)
and having in mind that \( E = (e_1, \ldots, e_N, h e'_1, \ldots, h e'_N)^T \), the above equation becomes
\[ PE - Q(F - \bar{F}) = L(h). \] (3.5)

Applying the Mean-Value Theorem, we obtain that
\[ F - \bar{F} = J E, \]
where
\[ J = \begin{pmatrix}
\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(\xi_1) & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \frac{1}{h} \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(\xi_1) & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\
0 & \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(\xi_2) & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 \frac{1}{h} \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(\xi_2) & \cdots & 0 \\
\vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
0 & 0 & \cdots & \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(\xi_N) & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{h} \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(\xi_N)
\end{pmatrix} \]
and the partial derivatives are applied at intermediate points \( \{\xi_i\}_{i=1}^N \), which are on each corresponding line joining \( (x_i, y(x_i), y'(x_i)) \) to \( (x_i, y_i, y'_i) \). In view of this, the equation in (3.5) can be written as
\[ (P - QJ)E = L(h). \]

Let \( M \) denote the matrix \( M = -QJ \). Then, we have that
\[ (P + M)E = L(h). \] (3.6)

For sufficiently small \( h \), the matrix \( P + M \) is invertible (see [20, 24]). Therefore, if we denote by
\[ (P + M)^{-1} = D, \] (3.7)
and consider the maximum norm, we can obtain after expanding in Taylor series the terms in \( D \) that \( \| D \| = O(h^{-2}) \). Finally, we have that
\[ \| E \| = \| DL(h) \| = \| D \| |L(h)| \]
\[ = |O(h^{-2})||O(h^5)| = O(h^3). \]

Therefore, the FFBNM is a third-order convergent method. \( \square \)

Remark 3.6. In case of a special second-order equation, that is, \( y'' = f(x, y) \), where the first derivative is absent, we can proceed similarly. Nevertheless, in view of the form of the vector \( L(h) \) we see that, assuming sufficient smoothness, we obtain a higher order of convergence:
\[ |e_j| = |y(x_j) - y_j| = |O(h^{-2})| |O(h^6)| = O(h^4), \quad j = 1, 2 \ldots N. \]
3.3. Stability of the FFBNM

Following Fatunla [13], the FFBNM can be represented in the following block matrix form

\[
\begin{pmatrix}
    (A^{(1)} \otimes I)
  \end{pmatrix} Y_{\mu+1} = \begin{pmatrix}
    (A^{(0)} \otimes I)
  \end{pmatrix} Y_{\mu} + h^2 \begin{pmatrix}
    (B^{(1)} \otimes I)
  \end{pmatrix} F_{\mu+1}
\]
\[
+ h^2 \begin{pmatrix}
    (B^{(0)} \otimes I)
  \end{pmatrix} F_{\mu}
\]

(3.8)

where \( Y_{\mu+1} = (y_{n+1}, y_{n+2}, h y'_{n+1}, h y'_{n+2})^T \), \( Y_{\mu} = (y_{n-1}, y_{n}, h y'_{n-1}, h y'_{n})^T \), \( F_{\mu+1} = (f_{n+1}, f_{n+2}, h f'_{n+1}, h f'_{n+2})^T \), \( F_{\mu} = (f_{n-1}, f_{n}, h f'_{n-1}, h f'_{n})^T \), \( I \) is the identity matrix of dimension four, \( \otimes \) denotes the Kronecker product of matrices, and \( A^{(0)}, A^{(1)}, B^{(0)}, B^{(1)} \) are \( 4 \times 4 \) matrices obtained from the coefficients of the method, and given by

\[
A^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix}
    -\alpha_{1,3} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
    -\alpha_{1,2} & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
    -\alpha_{1,1} & 0 & 0 & 1 \\
    -2 & 1 & 0 & 0
\end{pmatrix},
A^{(0)} = \begin{pmatrix}
    0 & \alpha_{0,3} & 0 & -1 \\
    0 & \alpha_{0,2} & 0 & 0 \\
    0 & \alpha_{0,1} & 0 & 0 \\
    0 & -1 & 0 & 0
\end{pmatrix},
\]

\[
B^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix}
    \beta_{1,3} & \beta_{2,3} & 0 & 0 \\
    \beta_{1,2} & \beta_{2,2} & 0 & 0 \\
    \beta_{1,1} & \beta_{2,1} & 0 & 0 \\
    \beta_1 & \beta_2 & 0 & 0
\end{pmatrix},
B^{(0)} = \begin{pmatrix}
    0 & \beta_{0,3} & 0 & 0 \\
    0 & \beta_{0,2} & 0 & 0 \\
    0 & \beta_{0,1} & 0 & 0 \\
    0 & \beta_0 & 0 & 0
\end{pmatrix}.
\]

3.3.1. Zero Stability of the FFBNM.

**Definition 3.7.** A block method is zero-stable if the roots of its first characteristic polynomial, \( \rho(R) = \det(RA^{(1)} - A^{(0)}) \), are of modulus less than or equal to one, and for those which modulus one the multiplicity is not greater than two (see Fatunla [12]).

**Proposition 3.8.** The FFBNM is zero-stable.

**Proof.** From the normalized first characteristic polynomial of the FFBNM, we have that

\[
RA^{(1)} - A^{(0)} = \begin{pmatrix}
    -R\alpha_{1,3} & -\alpha_{0,3} & 0 & 1 \\
    -R\alpha_{1,2} & -\alpha_{0,2} & R & 0 \\
    -R\alpha_{1,1} & -\alpha_{0,1} & 0 & R \\
    -2 & R & R + 1 & 0 & 0
\end{pmatrix},
\]

so that the characteristic equation is \( \rho(R) = \det(RA^{(1)} - A^{(0)}) = 0 \), that is, \( -\eta R^2 (R - 1)^2 = 0 \), with \( \eta = \alpha_{0,1} \). Consequently, according to the above definition the method is zero-stable. \( \square \)

3.3.2. Linear Stability of the FFBNM. Applying the FFBNM specified by the formulas in (2.9) to the test equation \( y'' = \lambda^2 y \) and letting \( z = \lambda h \) yields

\[
Y_{\mu+1} = M(z, u) Y_{\mu},
\]

(3.9)

where

\[
M(z, u) = (A^{(1)} - zB^{(1)})^{-1}(A^{(0)} + zB^{(0)})
\]

(3.10)
Figure 2. $z - u$ stability region for the FFBNM

is the so-called stability matrix or amplification matrix, which determines the
stability of the FFBNM. The amplification matrix $M(z, u)$ for FFBNM has
eigenvalues given by $(\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \varphi_3, \varphi_4) = (0, 0, 0, \varphi_4)$, where $\varphi_4(z, u) = \frac{p_4(z, u)}{q_4(z, u)}$
is the stability function.

**Definition 3.9.** The region of linear stability of the method is the domain
in the $z - u$ plane in which the spectral radius of the amplification matrix,
$\rho(M(z, u))$, verifies $|\rho(M(z, u))| \leq 1$ (see Jator [27]).

The $z - u$ stability region constructed for the FFBNM is plotted in Fig. 2.

### 4. Implementation of the FFBNM

The FFBNM is implemented in a block-by-block fashion for solving the problem in (1.1) on $[x_0, x_N]$. We use the formulas in (2.9) to obtain the approximations $y_{n+1}, y_{n+2}$, and $y'_{n+1}, y'_{n+2}$, simultaneously over the sequence of non overlapping intervals $[x_0, x_2], [x_2, x_4], \ldots, [x_{N-2}, x_N]$, with $N$ even. When the method is applied on $[x_0, x_2]$ the approximate values $\{y_1, y_2, y'_1, y'_2\}$ are obtained simultaneously, assuming that $y_0$ and $y'_0$ are known from the IVP in (1.1); on the next interval $[x_2, x_4]$ we obtain the values $\{y_3, y_4, y'_3, y'_4\}$ simultaneously, since $y_2$ and $y'_2$ are known from the previous block. This process continues until we obtain the numerical solution of equation (1) on the entire interval of integration. We emphasizes that this procedure makes the FFBNM a self-starting method which does not suffer the disadvantage of predictor-corrector modes. We also note that the computations were carried out using a written code in Maple 2016.2 on a Laptop with

1. 64 bit Windows 10 Pro Operating System,
2. Intel (R) Celeron CPU N3060 @ 1.60GHz processor, and
3. 4.00GB RAM memory.
Table 1. Comparison of results for example 1

|            | FFBNM | EM8  | HLMM | BTDF8 | BTDF10 |
|------------|-------|------|------|-------|--------|
| NFE    | CD    | NFE  | CD   | NFE  | CD     |
| 126     | 9.1   | 2000 | 5.7  | 301  | 7.1    |
| 251     | 11.2  | 3000 | 8.2  | 601  | 9.5    |
| 501     | 12.7  | 4000 | 9.6  | 1201 | 11.5   |
| 751     | 13.9  | 5000 | 10.5 | 1801 | 11.8   |
| 1001    | 14.1  | 6000 | 10.9 | 2401 | 11.8   |
| 1251    | 15.2  | 7000 | 11.1 | 3601 | 11.9   |

For non-linear problems, the code was enhanced by the feature *fsolve* in Maple 2016.2.

4.1. Numerical Examples

This subsection examines the effectiveness of the FFBNM. Seven well-known numerical examples with oscillating solutions that have appeared in the literature are considered. In the numerical investigations, we used two criteria: accuracy and efficiency. A measure of accuracy is investigated using the maximum error of the approximate solution defined as $\text{ErrMax} = \max \| y(x_n) - y_n \|_\infty$, where $y(x_n)$ is the exact solution and $y_n$ is the numerical solution obtained using the FFBNM. The computational efficiency criterion is specified at each of the considered examples.

4.2. Example 1

Consider the nonlinear Duffing equation given by

$$y'' + y + y^3 = B \cos(\Omega x),$$

whose exact solution is unknown. Its approximate theoretical solution obtained by Van Dooren [44] is given by $y(x) = C_1 \cos(\Omega x) + C_2 \cos(3\Omega x) + C_3 \cos(5\Omega x) + C_4 \cos(7\Omega x)$ and the suitable initial conditions are $y(0) = C_0, y'(0) = 0$, where $\Omega = 1.01, B = 0.002, C_0 = 0.200426728069, C_1 = 0.200179477536, C_2 = 0.246946143 \times 10^{-3}, C_3 = 0.304016 \times 10^{-6}, C_4 = 0.374 \times 10^{-9}$. This problem has been considered by Tsitouras [41], Jator [21] and Jator et al. [27] in the interval $[0, 20.5\pi_1/\Omega]$, with $\omega = 1.01$ using an explicit eighth order method (EM8), a seventh order hybrid method (HLMM), and two third derivative block methods of orders eighth and tenth (BTDF8 and BTDF10), respectively. Table 1 shows the maximum norm of the global error for the $y$-component of FFBNM given in the form $10^{-CD}$, where CD denotes the number of decimal digits in comparison with the aforementioned methods.

The accuracy of FFBNM together with its efficiency, measured by $\log_{10}(\text{ErrMax})$, against the logarithm of the number of function evaluations, $\log_{10}(NFE)$, are presented be means of the efficiency curves in Fig. 3.
Table 2. Comparison of Results for Example 2

|       | FFBNM |       | TRI5 |       | DIS6 |       | TFARKN         |
|-------|-------|-------|------|-------|------|-------|----------------|
| N     | CD    | NFE   | N    | CD    | NFE  | N     | N(rej) CD NFE |
| 40    | 6.9   | 41    | 40   | 4.7   | 230  | 40    | 3.2 300       |
| 80    | 7.1   | 81    | 80   | 6.9   | 300  | 80    | 5.3 450       |
| 160   | 8.8   | 161   | 160  | 8.1   | 500  | 160   | 7.6 700       |
| 320   | 10.6  | 321   | 320  | 10.0  | 950  | 320   | 9.5 1250      |
| 320   | 10.6  | 321   | 320  | 10.0  | 950  | 851   | 10.4 3250     |

As is evident from the results in Table 1 and the efficiency curves in Figure 3, the FFBNM is a more efficient integrator for the considered nonlinear Duffing equation than the other methods used for comparison, even for the higher order method BTDF10 in Jator et al. [27].

4.3. Example 2

Consider the nonlinear perturbed system on the range \([0, 10]\) with \(\epsilon = 10^{-3}\)

\[
y''_1 = \epsilon \varphi_1 (x) - 25y_1 - \epsilon (y^2_1 + y^2_2) \quad y_1 (0) = 1, y'_1 (0) = 0, y''_2
\]

\[
= \epsilon \varphi_2 (x) - 25y_2 - \epsilon (y^2_1 + y^2_2) \quad y_2 (0) = \epsilon, y'_2 (0) = 5,
\]

where

\[
\varphi_1 (x) = 1 + \epsilon^2 + 2\epsilon \sin (5x + x^2) + 2 \cos (x^2) + (25 - 4x^2) \sin (x^2),
\]

\[
\varphi_2 (x) = 1 + \epsilon^2 + 2\epsilon \sin (5x + x^2) - 2 \sin (x^2) + (25 - 4x^2) \cos (x^2).
\]

The solution in closed form is given by

\[
y_1 (x) = \cos (5x) + \epsilon \sin (x^2), \quad y_2 (x) = \sin (5x) + \epsilon \cos (x^2),
\]

which represents a periodic motion of constant frequency with a small perturbation of variable frequency. This problem was selected to show the performance of the FFBNM on a nonlinear perturbed system. Thus, we choose \(\omega = 5\) as the fitting frequency. The errors of the FFBNM were compared with a fifth order Trigonometrically-Fitted Runge–Kutta–Nyström (TFARKN) method by Fang et al. [9], a fifth order trigonometrically-fitted explicit method (TRI5) by Fang and Wu [8], and a sixth order hybrid method with dissipation order seven (DIS6) in [17], as presented in Table 2. Details of the results given in Table 2 and the efficiency curves plotting the \(\log_{10} (\text{ErrMax})\) versus the \(\log_{10} (\text{NFE})\) in Fig. 4, reveal that the FFBNM is an efficient integrator for the nonlinear perturbed system.

4.4. Example 3

Consider the periodically forced nonlinear IVP

\[
\begin{cases}
y'' + y^3 + y = (\cos (t) + \epsilon \sin (10t))^3 - 99\epsilon \sin (10t), & 0 \leq t \leq 1000 \\
y (0) = 1, \quad y' (0) = 10\epsilon
\end{cases}
\]

with \(\epsilon = 10^{-10}\) and whose analytic solution \(y (t) = \cos (t) + \epsilon \sin (10t)\) describes a periodic motion of low frequency with a small perturbation of high frequency. For this problem, \(\omega = 1\) is selected. The results of FFBNM in comparison to the TFARKN by Fang et al. [9], the EFRK by Franco [14]...
Figure 3. The graphical representation of solution to Example 1 and efficiency curves
Figure 4. The graphical representation of solution to Example 2, and efficiency curves
Figure 5. The graphical representation of solution to Example 3, and efficiency curves
Table 3. Comparison of numerical results for example 3

| FFBNM   | TFARKN   | EFRK    | EFRKN    |
|---------|----------|---------|----------|
| Error   | NFE      | Error   | NFE      | Error   | NFE      |
| 1.04 × 10^{-15} | 161 2.63 × 10^{-2} | 300 1.26 × 10^{-6} | 8000 7.94 × 10^{-6} | 2000   |
| 4.84 × 10^{-16} | 195 4.47 × 10^{-6} | 400 1.58 × 10^{-7} | 14000 1.58 × 10^{-7} | 5000   |
| 1.29 × 10^{-16} | 271 3.72 × 10^{-8} | 600 1.58 × 10^{-8} | 22000 1.26 × 10^{-8} | 9000   |
| 3.74 × 10^{-20} | 2071 1.17 × 10^{-13} | 4200 6.31 × 10^{-9} | 38000 1.00 × 10^{-9} | 19000  |

Table 4. Comparison of numerical results for example 4

| FFBNM   | ETFFSH6S | ARK4    | ARK3/4   | RK6     |
|---------|----------|---------|----------|---------|
| Error   | NFE      | Error   | NFE      | Error   | NFE      |
| 7.37    | 201      | 4.0     | 1202     | 3.4     | 200      |
| 8.66    | 401      | 6.8     | 2399     | 4.8     | 400      |
| 10.19   | 801      | 8.4     | 4786     | 5.9     | 700      |
| 11.41   | 1601     | 10.2    | 9550     | 7.0     | 1200     |

and the EFRKN by Franco [15] are displayed in Table 3. The accuracy of the FFBNM with the exact solution and its efficiency in terms of number of function evaluation as compared with the aforementioned methods are displayed in Fig. 5.

It is apparent from the data in Table 3 and the plots in Fig. 5 that the FFBNM is an efficient numerical integrator for this problem when compared with the TFARKN, EFRK and EFRKN methods.

4.5. Example 4

As a fourth test problem, we consider the Duffing equation

\[ y'' + (\omega^2 + \kappa^2) y = 2\kappa^2 y^3, \quad y(0) = 1, \quad y'(0) = \omega, \]

whose solution in closed form is given by \( y(t) = sn(\omega t; \frac{k}{\omega}) \) and represents a periodic motion in terms of the Jacobian elliptic function \( sn \). In our experiment, we take \( \kappa = 0.03 \), and \( \omega = 5 \) as the fitting parameter. This Problem was solved in the interval [0,100] with step sizes \( h = \frac{1}{2^i} \) for ETFFSH6S, a six stage explicit trigonometrically method of order seven by Li et al. [30], ARK4 and ARK3/8, both adapted RK methods of fourth order and four stages by Franco [15], and the RK6, the Butcher’s sixth-order method given in Hairer et al. [19]. Table 4 shows the \( -\log_{10}(\text{MaxErr}) \) of the numerical results. The accuracy of FFBNM in comparison with the exact results and the numerical results for \( h = \frac{1}{2^i}, \ i = 2, 3, 4, 5 \) with the above mentioned methods are presented in Fig. 6.
Figure 6. The graphical representation of solution to Example 4, and efficiency curves
Table 5. Comparison of numerical results for example 5

| N   | Error         | N   | Error         | N   | Error         |
|-----|---------------|-----|---------------|-----|---------------|
| 1000| $1.73 \times 10^{-3}$ | 1000| $3.59 \times 10^{-3}$ | 5012| $1.0 \times 10^{-6}$ |
| 2000| $1.44 \times 10^{-8}$ | 2000| $6.31 \times 10^{-5}$ | 10000| $1.3 \times 10^{-8}$ |
| 4000| $5.67 \times 10^{-11}$ | 4000| $1.01 \times 10^{-6}$ | 17783| $3.2 \times 10^{-9}$ |
| 8000| $9.90 \times 10^{-12}$ | 8000| $1.60 \times 10^{-8}$ | 50119| $1.0 \times 10^{-10}$ |
| 16000| $2.49 \times 10^{-12}$ | 16000| $2.68 \times 10^{-10}$ |     |               |

Figure 7. Efficiency curves for Example 5

4.6. Example 5

We consider the following perturbed two-body problem

\[
\begin{align*}
y''_1 &= -\frac{y_1}{r^3} - \frac{2(\epsilon + \epsilon^2)y_1}{r^5}, \quad y_1(0) = 1, y'_1(0) = 0, \\
y''_2 &= -\frac{y_2}{r^3} - \frac{2(\epsilon + \epsilon^2)y_2}{r^5}, \quad y_1(0) = 0, y'_1(0) = 1 + \epsilon,
\end{align*}
\]

with \( r = \sqrt{y_1^2 + y_2^2} \), whose exact solution is given by \( y_1 = \cos(x + \epsilon x), y_2 = \sin(x + \epsilon x) \).

This system represents a motion on a perturbed circular orbit in the complex plane which occurs in classical mechanics and flexible body dynamics. The numerical results of the FFBNM on this problem with \( \omega = 1.01 \) are compared with the Trigonometric Fourier Collocation (TFC) method by Wang [47] and the method BNM developed by Jator and Oladejo [23] on \([0, 1000]\). The results given in Table 5 and the graphical representations in Fig. 7 taking \( \epsilon = 10^{-3} \), show that FFBNM is an accurate method for this perturbed Kepler’s equation.
Table 6. Comparison of numerical results for Example 6

| FFBNM | ExtGauss2 | Gauss3 | ExtGauss3 |
|-------|-----------|--------|-----------|
| Error | CPU       | Error  | CPU       | Error     | CPU  |
| 6.17  | 0.034     | 5.90   | 0.040     | 5.40      | 0.150 | 7.00 | 0.090 |
| 8.21  | 0.070     | 7.10   | 0.050     | 7.10      | 0.290 | 9.40 | 0.140 |
| 10.01 | 0.150     | 8.30   | 0.110     | 9.00      | 0.375 | 11.4 | 0.300 |
| 11.87 | 0.370     | 9.50   | 0.210     | 10.60     | 0.730 | 12.00 | 0.600 |

Table 7. Comparison of numerical results for Example 7

| FFBNM | BNM | AZD | AME | MAM |
|-------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Error | NFE | Error | NFE | Error | NFE | Error | NFE  | Error | NFE |
| 5.65  | 101 | 2.18 | 101 | 2.58 | 1406 | 3.58 | 938  | 3.00 | 938 |
| 8.34  | 201 | 3.28 | 201 | 4.50 | 4688 | 4.92 | 3750 | 4.54 | 3750 |
| 9.89  | 401 | 4.25 | 401 | 6.83 | 12188| 6.75 | 11250| 6.42 | 9375 |
| 12.24 | 801 | 5.32 | 801 | 8.41 | 39375| 8.63 | 34688| 8.29 | 30000|

4.7. Example 6

As our sixth experiment, we investigate the prevalent non-linear scalar Van der Pol equation given by

\[ y'' + y = \delta \left(1 - y^2\right) y', \]

with initial values

\[ y(0) = 2 + \frac{1}{96}\delta^2 + \frac{1033}{552960}\delta^4 + \frac{1019689}{55738368000}\delta^2, \quad y'(0) = 0. \]

In our computations, we took the parameter \( \delta \) as \( \delta = 10^{-3} \) and the fitting frequency as \( \omega = 1 \). The integration of the problem was carried out in the interval \([0, 100]\). For the comparison of the error of different methods, we use step lengths \( h = \frac{1}{2^i}, \ i = 1, 2, 3, 4 \). Since the analytic solution of this problem does not exists, we used a reference numerical solution which was obtained by Anderson and Geer [2] and Verhulst [45]. The Maximum global error, \( -\log_{10}(\|y(x) - y_n\|_\infty) \), of the FFBNM compared with the Gauss methods studied in [49] are displayed in Table 6, while the efficiency curves are shown in Fig. 8, respectively. Whereas from the Table 6 and Fig. 8 it is evident that the FFBNM outperformed the ExtGauss2 of the same order and Gauss3 of order six, it competes favourably well with the ExtGauss3 of order six. In fact, the efficiency in terms of computational time of the FFBNM is almost half the computational time of the ExtGauss3.
4.8. Example 7

As our last example, we investigate the linear periodic problem studied in [10,16]

\[ y'' + \omega y = (\omega^2 - 4x^2) \cos(x^2) - 2\sin(x^2), \ y(0) = 1, \ y'(0) = \omega \]

whose solution in closed form \( y(x) = \cos(x^2) + \sin(\omega x) \) represents a periodic motion that involves a constant frequency and a variable frequency.

For this problem, we integrate in the interval \([0, 5]\), taking the principal frequency as \( \omega = 50 \). The numerical results stated in the Table 7 and Fig. 9 have been computed with the step lengths \( h = \frac{0.1}{2}, i = 1, 2, 3, 4 \). As can be seen in Table 7 and Fig. 9, the BNM, which is the limit method of
the FFBNM, is not as accurate as the other fourth order methods AZONNEVELD4(3), AMERSON4(3) and MAMERSON4(3) (abbreviated AZD, AME and MAM respectively, for easy readability) presented in [16] but uses fewer number of function evaluations. However, the FFBNM performs better than its limiting method and some of the existing methods in the literature.

5. Conclusions

The numerical solution of oscillatory problems finds its best performance in the use of adapted methods. This article has developed a trigonometrically adapted method of Numerov type. Their characteristics have been studied, and some numerical examples have been presented, comparing the results of the proposed method with other methods appeared in the literature. These results allow us to conclude that the proposed method is competitive to solve problems whose solutions are oscillatory.

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Appendix: Specification of entries of The Lower Triangular Matrix $\varsigma$, The Upper Triangular Matrix $\Omega$, and Matrix $V$

$$\varsigma = \begin{bmatrix}
1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
\sin(\omega x_{n+1}) & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
-\omega^2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
\omega^2 \sin(\omega x_{n+1}) & -\omega^2 \sin(\omega x_{n+1} - \omega x_{n+2}) & \sinh(\omega x_{n+1}) & 1 \\
\omega^2 \sin(\omega x_{n+2}) & \omega^2 \sin(\omega x_{n} - \omega x_{n+1}) & 0 & 0 \\
\sin(\omega x_{n}) & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
\sin(\omega x_{n+1}) & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
\sin(\omega x_{n+2}) & \sin(\omega x_{n}) & 0 & 0 \\
\sin(\omega x_{n+1}) & \sin(\omega x_{n+2}) & \sin(\omega x_{n}) & 0
\end{bmatrix}$$

with

$$\varsigma_{53} = \sinh(\omega x_{n+1}) \sin(\omega x_{n} - \omega x_{n+2}) + \sin(\omega x_{n+1}) \sin(\omega x_{n} - \omega x_{n+1}) - \sinh(\omega x_{n}) \sin(\omega x_{n+1} - \omega x_{n+2})$$

$$\varsigma_{54} = \frac{2 \sin(\omega x_{n} - \omega x_{n+1}) \sinh(\omega x_{n})}{\sin(\omega x_{n} - \omega x_{n+2}) \sin(\omega x_{n}) + \sin(\omega x_{n} - \omega x_{n+1}) \sin(\omega x_{n} - \omega x_{n+2})}$$

$$\Omega = \begin{bmatrix}
\sin(\omega x_{n}) & \cos(\omega x_{n}) & \sinh(\omega x_{n}) & \cosh(\omega x_{n}) & 1 \\
0 & \omega \sin(\omega x_{n+1}) & \sin(\omega x_{n+1}) & \cosh(\omega x_{n+1}) & \sinh(\omega x_{n+1}) \\
0 & 0 & 2 \omega^2 \sin(\omega x_{n}) & 2 \cosh(\omega x_{n}) \omega^2 & \sinh(\omega x_{n}) \sinh(\omega x_{n+1}) \\
0 & 0 & 0 & \omega \sinh(\omega x_{n+1}) & \sinh(\omega x_{n+1}) \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \sinh(\omega x_{n+2}) \omega^2
\end{bmatrix}$$

with

$$\Omega_{23} = \sinh(\omega x_{n+1}) \sin(\omega x_{n}) - \sin(\omega x_{n+1}) \sinh(\omega x_{n})$$

$$\Omega_{24} = \cosh(\omega x_{n+1}) \sin(\omega x_{n}) - \sin(\omega x_{n+1}) \cosh(\omega x_{n})$$

$$\Omega_{55} = \frac{A}{2 \sin(\omega(x_n - x_{n+1})) \sinh(\omega(x_n - x_{n+1}))}$$

where

$$A = \omega^2 \sin(\omega(x_n - x_{n+1})) \sinh(\omega(x_n - x_{n+1})) - \sin(\omega(x_n - x_{n+1})) \sinh(\omega(x_n - x_{n+1})) + \sin(\omega(x_n - x_{n+1})) \sin(\omega(x_n - x_{n+1})) \sinh(\omega(x_n - x_{n+1})) \sinh(\omega(x_n - x_{n+1}))$$

$$V = \begin{bmatrix}
1 & \sin(\omega x_{n}) & \cos(\omega x_{n}) & \sinh(\omega x_{n}) & \cosh(\omega x_{n}) \\
1 & \sin(\omega x_{n+1}) & \cos(\omega x_{n+1}) & \sin(\omega x_{n+1}) & \cosh(\omega x_{n+1}) \\
0 & -\omega^2 \sin(\omega x_{n}) & -\omega^2 \cos(\omega x_{n}) & \omega^2 \sin(\omega x_{n}) & \cosh(\omega x_{n}) \omega^2 \\
0 & -\omega^2 \sin(\omega x_{n+1}) & -\omega^2 \cos(\omega x_{n+1}) & \omega^2 \sin(\omega x_{n+1}) & \cosh(\omega x_{n+1}) \omega^2 \\
0 & -\omega^2 \sin(\omega x_{n+2}) & -\omega^2 \cos(\omega x_{n+2}) & \omega^2 \sin(\omega x_{n+2}) & \cosh(\omega x_{n+2}) \omega^2
\end{bmatrix}$$

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