A second order convergent initial value method for singularly perturbed system of differential-difference equations of convection diffusion type

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Abstract

In this article, a system of second order singularly perturbed delay differential equations of convection diffusion type problem is considered. An asymptotic expansion approximation of the solution is constructed. Further the asymptotic expansion approximation is numerically approximated using the Runge Kutta methods and hybrid finite difference methods. The error estimate is obtained and it is of almost second order. Numerical examples are given to illustrate the present method.

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1. Introduction

Singularly Perturbed Delay Differential Equations (SPDDEs) are widely used in several branches of applied mathematics and engineering. This kind of SPDDEs plays an important role in various mathematical modelling such as variational problem in control theory [9], predator-prey model [10], description of human pupil-light reflex [13] and determination of the behavior of a neuron to random synaptic input discussed in [12, 27], etc. It is well proven theory that, the classical numerical methods fail to yield good results on uniform mesh for these equations. Hence one has to turn the direction into non-classical numerical methods. Numerous research papers are available in the literature on the solution of a second-order system of singularly perturbed ordinary differential equations, with or without delay arguments [3, 4, 6–8, 14–17, 24, 26]. Agarwal [1], proved existence and uniqueness of the solution and suggested finite difference method for delay differential equations. Ramos and Vigo-Aguiar [19] and the authors in [28] developed an algorithm for solving singularly perturbed initial value problem and boundary value problem, respectively. For non vanishing delay differential equations there are number of articles available in the literature, to cite a few [2, 5, 11, 18, 20, 22, 23, 25].
In this article, an improved asymptotic expansion approximation (AEA) is constructed. Further the asymptotic expansion is approximated numerically using the Runge-Kutta (R-K) methods and hybrid finite difference methods. The proposed method is proved to be of almost second order convergence.

Let $\varepsilon$ be a small positive parameter such that $0 < \varepsilon \ll 1$, and $C$ and $C_1$ denote generic positive constants independent of parameters $\varepsilon$ and $N$. Further, $\Omega = (0, 2)$ be a set and its closure $\overline{\Omega} = [0, 2]$ and $\Omega^* = \Omega^+ \cup \Omega^-$, $\Omega^+ = (0, 1)$, $\Omega^- = (1, 2)$. The set $\mathbb{N}^2$ denotes the set of grid points $\{x_0, x_1, \ldots, x_{2N}\}$. The norms $\|w\|_\Omega = \sup_{x \in \Omega} |w(x)|$ and $\|\tilde{w}\|_\Omega = \max(\|w_1\|_\Omega, \|w_2\|_\Omega)$ are used in the following.

2. Problem statement

Consider the following system of SPDDE [6, 14, 16]: Find $\bar{y} \in Y \times Y$, $Y = C^0(\overline{\Omega}) \cap C^2(\Omega)$ such that for $k = 1, 2$,

$$
\begin{cases}
-\varepsilon y''_k(x) + a_k(x)y'_k(x) + \sum_{i=1}^{2} b_{ik}(x)y_{i}(x) + c_k(x)y_k(x-1) = f_k(x), & x \in \Omega, \\
y_k(x) = \phi_k(x), & x \in [-1, 0],
\end{cases}
$$

where $a_1(x) \geq \alpha_1 > \alpha \geq 0$, $b_{11} \geq 0$, $b_{12} \leq 0$, $b_{21} \leq 0$, $b_{22} \geq 0$, $c_{ij} \leq 0$, $i, j = 1, 2$, $b_{11} + b_{12} \geq \beta_1 \geq 0$, $i = 1, 2$, $b_{11} + b_{22} \geq \beta_2$, $i = 1, 2$, $b_{11} + b_{12} + 2a_1 + 5\beta_1 + 5\gamma_1 > 0$, $i = 1, 2$, $\phi_i(x)$ are sufficiently differentiable on $[-1, 0]$, $\alpha$, $b_{ij}$, $c_{ij}$ are sufficiently differentiable on $[0, 2]$, $i = 1, 2$, $j = 1, 2$. A solution $\bar{y}$ of (2.1) satisfies

$$
P_1 \bar{y} := -\varepsilon y''_1(x) + a_1(x)y'_1(x) + \sum_{k=1}^{2} b_{1k}(x)y_k(x) = \begin{cases}
f_1(x) - \sum_{k=1}^{2} c_{1k}(x)\phi_k(x-1), & x \in \Omega^-, \\
f_1(x) - \sum_{k=1}^{2} c_{1k}(x)y_k(x-1), & x \in \Omega^+,
\end{cases}
$$

$$
P_2 \bar{y} := -\varepsilon y''_2(x) + a_2(x)y'_2(x) + \sum_{k=1}^{2} b_{2k}(x)y_k(x) = \begin{cases}
f_2(x) - \sum_{k=1}^{2} c_{2k}(x)\phi_k(x-1), & x \in \Omega^-, \\
f_2(x) - \sum_{k=1}^{2} c_{2k}(x)y_k(x-1), & x \in \Omega^+,
\end{cases}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
y_1(0) &= \phi_1(0), & y_1(1-) &= y_1(1+), & y'_1(1-) &= y'_1(1+), & y_2(1) &= \ell_1, \\
y_2(0) &= \phi_2(0), & y_2(1-) &= y_2(1+), & y'_2(1-) &= y'_2(1+), & y_2(2) &= \ell_2.
\end{aligned}
$$

3. Stability result

The differential-difference operators $P_1$, $P_2$ defined in (2.2)-(2.3) satisfy the following maximum principle.

**Theorem 3.1** ([24]). Suppose that $\bar{z} = (z_1, z_2)$, $z_1, z_2 \in C^0(\overline{\Omega}) \cap C^2(\Omega^*)$ satisfies $z_i(0) \geq 0$, $z_i(2) \geq 0$, $P_i \bar{z}(x) \geq 0$, $\forall x \in \Omega^*$, $i = 1, 2$ and $z_i'(1-) - z_i'(1-) = [z_i'(1)] \leq 0$, $i = 1, 2$. Then $z_1(x) \geq 0$, $z_2(x) \geq 0$, $\forall x \in \overline{\Omega}$.

**Corollary 3.2** ([24]). For any $\bar{z} = (z_1, z_2)$, $z_1, z_2 \in Y$, we have

$$
|z_i(x)| \leq C \max_{j=1, 2} \{ \max_{j=1, 2} |z_j(0)|, \max_{j=1, 2} |z_j(2)|, \max_{j=1, 2} \sup_{x \in \overline{\Omega}} |P_j \bar{z}(x)| \}, \forall x \in \Omega^*, i = 1, 2.
$$

**Remark 3.3.** Using the above corollary, one can proved that, the solution of the above problem (2.2)-(2.3) is unique, if it exists.

4. Asymptotic expansion approximation

In this section, an asymptotic expansion approximation (AEA) is constructed for the solution of the problem (2.1). Let the reduced problem solution of (2.1) be $\bar{y}_0 = (y_{0,1}, y_{0,2})$ given by

$$
\begin{cases}
a_k(x)y_{0,k}(x) + \sum_{i=1}^{2} b_{ik}(x)y_{0,i}(x) = f_k(x) - \sum_{i=1}^{2} c_{ik}(x)y_{0,i}(x-1), & x \in \Omega \cup \{2\}, \\
y_{0,k}(x) = \phi_k(x), & x \in [-1, 0],
\end{cases}
$$

for $k = 1, 2$. (4.1)
and it is assumed that, \( \| y_{0,i}^{\prime\prime} \|_{\Omega^*} \leq C, \ i = 1, 2 \). Let \( \bar{y}_1 = (y_{1,1}, y_{1,2}) \) be the solution of the problem

\[
\begin{align*}
& a_k(x)y_{1,k}(x) + \sum_{l=1}^{2} b_{k,l}(x)y_{1,l}(x) = y_{0,k}(x) - \sum_{l=1}^{2} c_{k,l}(x)y_{1,l}(x - 1), & x \in \Omega \cup \{2\}, \\
& y_{1,k}(x) = 0, & x \in [-1, 0].
\end{align*}
\]

and it is also assumed that, \( \| y_{1,i}^{\prime\prime} \|_{\Omega^*} \leq C, \ i = 1, 2 \). The solutions \( v_1, v_2, w_1, \) and \( w_2, \) respectively satisfy the following:

\[
\begin{align*}
& \varepsilon v_1'(x) - \frac{a_1^2 + \varepsilon (b_{11} + b_{12})}{a_1} v_1(x) = 0, \ x \in [0, 1], \quad v_1(1) = 1, \\
& \varepsilon v_2'(x) - \frac{a_1^2 + \varepsilon (b_{11} + b_{12})}{a_1} v_2(x) = 0, \ x \in [0, 2], \quad v_2(2) = 1, \\
& \varepsilon w_1'(x) - \frac{a_2^2 + \varepsilon (b_{21} + b_{22})}{a_2} w_1(x) = 0, \ x \in [0, 1], \quad w_1(1) = 1, \\
& \varepsilon w_2'(x) - \frac{a_2^2 + \varepsilon (b_{21} + b_{22})}{a_2} w_2(x) = 0, \ x \in [0, 2], \quad w_2(2) = 1.
\end{align*}
\]

Let \( \bar{y}_{as} = (y_{as,1}, y_{as,2}) \) be an AEA solution of (2.1), where

\[
\begin{align*}
& y_{as,1}(x) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll}
y_{0,1}(x) + \varepsilon y_{1,1}(x) + k_{11}v_1(x) + k_{12}, & x \in [0, 1], \\
y_{0,1}(x) + \varepsilon y_{1,1}(x) + k_{12}v_2(x) + k_{14}, & x \in [1, 2],
\end{array} \right.
\end{align*}
\]

\[
\begin{align*}
& y_{as,2}(x) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll}
y_{0,2}(x) + \varepsilon y_{1,2}(x) + k_{21}w_1(x) + k_{22}, & x \in [0, 1], \\
y_{0,2}(x) + \varepsilon y_{1,2}(x) + k_{23}w_2(x) + k_{24}, & x \in [1, 2].
\end{array} \right.
\end{align*}
\]

Here the constants \( k_{ij}, \ i = 1, 2, \ j = 1, 2, 3, 4 \) are to be determined such that \( y_{as,i} \in Y, \ i = 1, 2, y_{as,i}(0) = \phi_i(0) \) and \( y_{as,i}(2) = \ell_i, \ i = 1, 2 \). In fact \( k_{ij} \) are given by

\[
\begin{align*}
k_{11} &= k_{12}v_2(1) + \frac{a_1(1)^2}{a_1^2 + \varepsilon (b_{11} + b_{12})} (y_{1,1}'(1+) - y_{1,1}'(1-)), \\
k_{12} &= -\varepsilon y_{1,1}(0) - k_{11}v_1(0), \\
k_{13} &= \frac{1}{1-v_2(1)v_1(0)} \left\{ (\ell_1 - y_{0,1}(2) - \varepsilon y_{1,1}(2)) + \frac{a_1(1)^2}{a_1^2 + \varepsilon (b_{11} + b_{12})} (y_{1,1}'(1-) - y_{1,1}'(1+)) \right\}, \\
k_{14} &= \ell_1 - y_{0,1}(2) - \varepsilon y_{1,1}(2) - k_{13}, \\
k_{21} &= k_{23}w_2(1) + \frac{a_2(1)^2}{a_2^2 + \varepsilon (b_{21} + b_{22})} (y_{1,2}'(1+) - y_{1,2}'(1-)), \\
k_{22} &= -\varepsilon y_{1,2}(0) - k_{21}w_1(0), \\
k_{23} &= \frac{1}{1-w_2(1)w_1(0)} \left\{ (\ell_2 - y_{0,2}(2) - \varepsilon y_{1,2}(2)) + \frac{a_2(1)^2}{a_2^2 + \varepsilon (b_{21} + b_{22})} (y_{1,2}'(1-) - y_{1,2}'(1+)) \right\}, \\
k_{24} &= \ell_2 - y_{0,2}(2) - \varepsilon y_{1,2}(2) - k_{23}.
\end{align*}
\]

It is observed that, \( k_{11} = k_{12} = O(\varepsilon^2), k_{13} = k_{14} = O(1) \). Similarly, \( k_{21} = k_{22} = O(\varepsilon^2), k_{23} = k_{24} = O(1) \).

**Theorem 4.1.** Let \( \bar{y} \) be the solution of (2.2)-(2.3). Further let \( \bar{y}_{as} \) be an AEA defined by (4.7)-(4.8). Then, we have \( \| \bar{y} - \bar{y}_{as} \| \leq C\varepsilon^2 \).

**Proof.** Consider the barrier function \( \bar{\phi} = (\bar{\phi}_1, \bar{\phi}_2) \),

\[
\begin{align*}
& \bar{\phi}_i(x) = C_i \varepsilon^{2\bar{\phi}}(x) \pm (\bar{y}_i(x) - \bar{y}_{as}(x)), \ x \in \Omega, \quad \bar{\psi}_i = (\bar{\psi}_1, \bar{\psi}_2), \\
& \bar{\psi}_k(x) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll}
s_{k}(x) + e^{-\frac{\bar{\phi}_i}{\varepsilon}(1-x)} + \frac{(2-x)^{2K}}{\varepsilon^{2-\bar{\phi}_i}(2-x)}, & x \in [0, 1], \\
s_{k}(x) + 1 + \frac{(2-x)^{2K}}{\varepsilon^{2-\bar{\phi}_i}(2-x)}, & x \in [1, 2],
\end{array} \right.
\end{align*}
\]

\[
\begin{align*}
k_{1} = 1, 2,
\end{align*}
\]

where \( s_k = \frac{a_k(1)^2}{a_k^2 - \varepsilon (b_{k1} + b_{k2})} \).
and it easy to verify that \( q_2^\pm_k(x) \geq 0 \) for \( x = 0, 2 \). Further, if \( x \in \Omega^- \), then

\[
P_1 \bar{\varphi}_k(x) = -\varepsilon \varphi_1''(x) + a_1(x)\varphi_1^\pm(x) + b_{11}(x)\varphi_1''(x) + b_{12}(x)\varphi_2''(x) = C_1\varepsilon^2[\varphi_1''(x) + a_1(x)\varphi_2^0(x) + b_{11}(x)\psi_1(x)] + b_{12}(x)\psi_2(x) \pm (P_1 \bar{y}(x) - P_1 \bar{y}_{as}(x)) \geq 0,
\]

\[
P_2 \bar{\varphi}_k(x) = -\varepsilon \varphi_2''(x) + a_2(x)\varphi_1^\pm(x) + b_{21}(x)\varphi_1''(x) + b_{22}(x)\varphi_2''(x) = C_1\varepsilon^2[\varphi_2''(x) + a_2(x)\varphi_2^0(x) + b_{21}(x)\psi_1(x) + b_{22}(x)\psi_2(x)] \pm (P_2 \bar{y}(x) - P_2 \bar{y}_{as}(x)) \geq 0,
\]

where \( P(\bar{y}(x) - \bar{y}_{as}(x)) = \varepsilon^2 y''_{1,1}(x) + k_{11}[\varepsilon v''(x) + a_1(x)v'_1(x) + b_{11}(x)v_1(x)] + k_{21}b_{12}(x)v_1(x) + b_{12}(x)k_{22} \geq -C(\varepsilon^2 + \exp(-\frac{a}{\varepsilon}(1 - x))). \) A similar result can be obtained for \( x \in \Omega^+ \). By Theorem 3.1, the desired result is obtained. \( \square \)

5. Numerical approximation

5.1. Numerical methods for initial value problems

In this section, the fourth order Runge-Kutta method with piecewise cubic Hermite interpolation is applied for (4.1) on \( \Omega^{2N} \) defined in [22, 24], then we have

\[
Y_{0,j}(x_0) = \phi_j(x_0), j = 1, 2,
\]

\[ Y_{0,j}(x_{i+1}) = Y_{0,j}(x_i) + \frac{1}{6}(K_{j1} + 2K_{j2} + 2K_{j3} + K_{j4}), i = 0, \ldots, 2N - 1, j = 1, 2, \tag{5.1}
\]

where

\[
Y^i_{0,r}(x) = \begin{cases}
\phi_r(x - 1), & x \in [x_i, x_{i+1}], i = 0, \ldots, N - 1, \\
Y_{0,r}(x_p)A_{0,r}(x - 1) + Y_{0,r}(x_{p+1})A_{0,r}(x - 1) + B_{p}(x - 1)f_r(x_p), & x = x_i, \ldots, x_{i+1}, i = N, \ldots, 2N - 1, \\
B_{p}(x - 1)f_r(x_p), & x = x_i, \ldots, x_{i+1}, i = N, \ldots, 2N - 1, \\
A_{1}(x) = \begin{cases}
1 - 2(x - x_{i+1}) \frac{(x - x_{i+1})^2}{(x_i - x_{i+1})^2}, & x \in [x_i, x_{i+1}], \\
1 - 2(x - x_{i+1}) \frac{(x - x_{i+1})^2}{(x_{i+1} - x_i)^2}, & x \in [x_{i+1}, x_i],
\end{cases}
\end{cases}
\]

\[
B_{1}(x) = \begin{cases}
(x - x_{i+1})(x - x_i)^2 \frac{(x - x_i)^2}{(x_{i+1} - x_i)^2}, & x \in [x_i, x_{i+1}], \\
(x - x_{i+1})(x - x_i)^2 \frac{(x - x_i)^2}{(x_i - x_{i+1})^2}, & x \in [x_{i+1}, x_i],
\end{cases}
\]

\[
\bar{f}_r(x_p) = \frac{f_r(x_p)}{a_r(x_p)} - \frac{\varepsilon}{8} \sum_{t=1}^{N} b_{r,t}(x_p)Y_{0,r}(x_p) - \frac{\varepsilon}{8} \sum_{t=1}^{N} c_{r,t}(x_p)Y_{0,r}(x_p) - \frac{\varepsilon}{8} \sum_{t=1}^{N} d_{r,t}(x_p)Y_{0,r}(x_p) - \frac{\varepsilon}{8} \sum_{t=1}^{N} e_{r,t}(x_p)Y_{0,r}(x_p),
\]

Theorem 5.1. Let \( \bar{y}_0(x) \) be the solution of (4.1), then \( \| \bar{y}_0 - \bar{y}_0 \|_{\Omega^{2N}} \leq C N^{-d}, \) where \( \bar{y}_0(x_i) \) is defined by (5.1).

Lemma 5.2. If \( \bar{y}_0(x_i) \) is the solution of (4.1) and its numerical solution is given by (5.1), further its interpolant is

\[
Y^1_{0,k}(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{2N} \phi_i(x)Y_{0,k}(x_i), \text{then } \| \bar{y}_0 - Y^1_{0,k} \|_{\Omega} \leq C N^{-2}, \text{ k = 1, 2.}
\]
Further, the following are approximated and replaced as

Then, the problem (4.2) can be written as,

By the triangle inequality, we have for

where $\bar{y}_0 = (y_{0,1}, y_{0,2})$, where $y_{0,k}(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{2N} \phi_i(x) y_{0,k}(x_i)$ and $\phi_i(x)$ is usual hat function,

The second derivative $y''_{0,k}(x)$ can be written as

Then, the problem (4.2) can be written as,

Further, the following are approximated and replaced as $y_{0,\ell}(x) \approx Y_{0,\ell}(x)$, $y_{0,\ell}(x-1) \approx Y_{0,\ell}(x-1)$, $y_{0,\ell}(x) \approx Y_{0,\ell}(x)$, $y_{0,\ell}(x-1) \approx Y_{0,\ell}(x-1)$ in the above equation (5.2). Then we have,

where $y''_{0,\ell}(x-1) \approx [f_{\ell}(x-1) - \sum_{r=1}^{2} b_{\ell r}(x-1) Y_{0,\ell}(x-1) - \sum_{r=1}^{2} c_{\ell r} Y_{0,\ell}(x-2)]/a_{\ell}(x-1).$
Lemma 5.3. Let $\tilde{y}_1$ and $\tilde{y}_1^*$ be the solutions of (4.2) and (5.3), respectively, then $|\tilde{y}_1(x_i) - \tilde{y}_1^*(x_i)| \leq CN^{-2}$, $i = 0, 1, \ldots, 2N$.

Proof. From the equations (4.2), (5.3), and Lemma 5.2. We have the desired result. □

Apply R-K method of fourth order with piecewise cubic Hermite interpolation on $\Omega^{2N}$ for (5.3).

$\tilde{Y}_1(x_0) = 0, \quad Y_{1,j}^*(x_{i+1}) = Y_{1,j}^*(x_i) + \frac{1}{6}(K_{j1} + 2K_{j2} + 2K_{j3} + K_{j4}), \quad i = 0, \ldots, 2N - 1,$

where

$$
\begin{align*}
K_{j1} &= h_{i+1}[p_j(x_i) - \sum_{r=1}^{2} b_{r}Y_{0,r}^*(x_i) - \sum_{r=1}^{2} c_{r}Y_{1,r}^*(x_i)]/a_i(x_i), \\
K_{j2} &= h_{i+1}[p_j(x_i + \frac{h_{i+1}}{2}) - \sum_{r=1}^{2} b_{r}Y_{0,r}^*(x_i + \frac{h_{i+1}}{2})]/a_i(x_i + \frac{h_{i+1}}{2}), \\
K_{j3} &= h_{i+1}[p_j(x_i + \frac{h_{i+1}}{2}) - \sum_{r=1}^{2} b_{r}Y_{0,r}^*(x_i + \frac{h_{i+1}}{2})]/a_i(x_i + \frac{h_{i+1}}{2}), \\
K_{j4} &= h_{i+1}[p_j(x_i + h_{i+1}) - \sum_{r=1}^{2} b_{r}Y_{0,r}^*(x_i + h_{i+1})]/a_i(x_i + h_{i+1}),
\end{align*}
$$

and

$$
p_j(x) = \frac{1}{a_k}[f'_k(x) - \sum_{\ell=1}^{2} b_{k,\ell}Y_{0,\ell}^*(x) - \sum_{r=1}^{2} c_{r}Y_{1,r}^*(x - 1)] - \frac{1}{a_k}[f'_k - \sum_{r=1}^{2} c_{r}Y_{0,\ell}^*(x - 1)] - \frac{1}{a_k}[f'_k - \sum_{r=1}^{2} c_{r}Y_{0,\ell}^*(x - 1)], \quad x \in \Omega^*,
$$

and

$$
Y_{1,r}^*(x) = \begin{cases} 
0, & x \in [x_i, x_{i+1}), \ i = 0, 1, \ldots, N - 1, \\
Y_{1,r}^*(x_p)A_p(x - 1) + Y_{1,r}^*(x_{p+1})A_{p+1}(x - 1) + B_p(x - 1) \bar{p}_r(x_p) + B_{p+1}(x - 1) \bar{p}_r(x_{p+1}), & i = N, \ldots, 2N - 1, \ p = i - N,
\end{cases}
$$

$p_r(x_{i-N})$ and $\bar{p}_r(x_{i-N+1})$ are defined like $\bar{f}_r(x_{i-N})$ and $\bar{f}_r(x_{i-N+1})$.

Lemma 5.4. Let $\bar{y}_1^*(x)$ be the solution of (5.3), then for $k = 1, 2$, we have $\|y_{1,k} - \bar{y}_{1,k}^*\|_{2\Omega^{2N}} \leq CN^{-4}$, where $\bar{y}_1^*(x)$ is defined by (5.4).

Theorem 5.5. Let $\bar{y}_1$ and $\bar{Y}_1^*(x_i)$ be the solution of (4.2) and (5.3), respectively, then $|y_{1,k}(x_i) - \bar{y}_{1,k}^*(x_i)| \leq CN^{-2}$, $i = 0, \ldots, 2N$, $k = 1, 2$.

Proof. By the triangle inequality,

$$
|y_{1,k}(x_i) - \bar{y}_{1,k}^*(x_i)| \leq |y_{1,k}(x_i) - \bar{y}_1^*(x_i)| + |\bar{y}_1^*(x_i) - \bar{y}_{1,k}^*(x_i)| \leq CN^{-2} + CN^{-4} \leq CN^{-2}, \quad k = 1, 2.
$$

Hence the proof.

5.2. Numerical methods for terminal value problems

The numerical solutions $V_1, V_2, W_1$ and $W_2$ are defined in the following:

$$
\begin{align*}
\frac{\epsilon}{h_{i+1}}V_1(x_{i+1}) - V_1(x_i) &= \frac{(a_{i+1})^2 + \epsilon(b_{i+1} + b_{i+2})}{a_{i+1}}V_1(x_i) = 0, \quad i = 0, \ldots, N, \\
\frac{\epsilon}{h_{i+1}}V_1(x_{i+1}) - V_1(x_i) &= \frac{(a_{i+2})^2 + \epsilon(b_{i+2} + b_{i+3})}{a_{i+2}}V_1(x_{i+1}) + V_1(x_i) = 0, \quad i = N + 1, \ldots, N - 1, \\
V_1(x_N) &= 1,
\end{align*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{align*}
\frac{\epsilon}{h_{i+1}}V_2(x_{i+1}) - V_2(x_i) &= \frac{(a_{i+1})^2 + \epsilon(b_{i+1} + b_{i+2})}{a_{i+1}}V_2(x_i) = 0, \quad i = 0, \ldots, N, \\
\frac{\epsilon}{h_{i+1}}V_2(x_{i+1}) - V_2(x_i) &= \frac{(a_{i+2})^2 + \epsilon(b_{i+2} + b_{i+3})}{a_{i+2}}V_2(x_{i+1}) + V_2(x_i) = 0, \quad i = N + 1, \ldots, N - 1, \\
V_2(x_N) &= 1.
\end{align*}
$$
\[
\begin{aligned}
&\left\{ \frac{\varepsilon V_2(x_{i+1}) - V_2(x_i)}{h_{i+1}} - \frac{(a_i)^2 + \varepsilon (b_i) V_2(x_i)}{a_i} \right. = 0, \ i = 0, \ldots, 3N - 1, \\
&\left. \frac{V_2(x_{i+1}) - V_2(x_i)}{h_{i+1}} - \frac{(a_i)^2 + \varepsilon (b_i) V_2(x_i)}{a_i} \right. = 0, \ i = 3N + 1, \ldots, 2N - 1, \\
&V_2(x_{2N}) = 1,
\end{aligned}
\]

\[
\begin{aligned}
&\left\{ \frac{W_1(x_{i+1}) - W_1(x_i)}{h_{i+1}} - \frac{(a_i)^2 + \varepsilon (b_i) W_1(x_i)}{a_i} \right. = 0, \ i = 0, \ldots, N, \\
&\left. \frac{W_1(x_{i+1}) - W_1(x_i)}{h_{i+1}} - \frac{(a_i)^2 + \varepsilon (b_i) W_1(x_i)}{a_i} \right. = 0, \ i = N + 1, \ldots, N - 1, \\
&W_1(x_N) = 1,
\end{aligned}
\]

and

\[
\begin{aligned}
&\left\{ \frac{W_2(x_{i+1}) - W_2(x_i)}{h_{i+1}} - \frac{(a_i)^2 + \varepsilon (b_i) W_2(x_i)}{a_i} \right. = 0, \ i = 0, \ldots, 3N - 2, \\
&\left. \frac{W_2(x_{i+1}) - W_2(x_i)}{h_{i+1}} - \frac{(a_i)^2 + \varepsilon (b_i) W_2(x_i)}{a_i} \right. = 0, \ i = 3N + 2, \ldots, 2N - 1, \\
&W_2(x_{2N}) = 1,
\end{aligned}
\]

where \(a_i = a_i(x_i), a_{i+\frac{1}{2}} = a_i(x_i + \frac{1}{2})\) and similarly for \(a_2, b_{11}, b_{12}, b_{21}, b_{22}\).

**Theorem 5.6 ([5]).** Let \(v_1\) and \(v_2\) be the solutions of (4.3) and (4.4), respectively. Further let \(V_1\) and \(V_2\) be numerical solutions defined by (5.5) and (5.6). Then, for \(k = 1, 2,\)

\[|v_1(x_i) - V_1(x_i)| \leq CN^{-2} \ln^2 N, \ i = 0, 1, \ldots, N, \quad |v_2(x_i) - V_2(x_i)| \leq CN^{-2} \ln^2 N, \ i = 0, 1, \ldots, 2N,\]

**Theorem 5.7 ([5]).** Let \(w_1\) and \(w_2\) be the solutions of (4.5) and (4.6), respectively. Further let \(W_1\) and \(W_2\) be numerical solutions defined by (5.7) and (5.8). Then, for \(k = 1, 2,\)

\[|w_1(x_i) - W_1(x_i)| \leq CN^{-2} \ln^2 N, \ i = 0, 1, \ldots, N, \quad |w_2(x_i) - W_2(x_i)| \leq CN^{-2} \ln^2 N, \ i = 0, 1, \ldots, 2N.\]

**6. Numerical solution and error analysis**

A discrete problem solution of (2.2)-(2.3) is defined as follows:

\[
Y_{as,1}(x_i) = \begin{cases} 
Y_{0,1}(x_i) + \varepsilon Y_{1,1}(x_i) + k_{11} V_1(x_i) + k_{12}, & x_i \in [0, 1] \cap \bar{\Omega}^{2N}, \\
Y_{0,1}(x_i) + \varepsilon Y_{1,1}(x_i) + k_{13} V_2(x_i) + k_{14}, & x_i \in [1, 2] \cap \bar{\Omega}^{2N},
\end{cases}
\]

\[
Y_{as,2}(x_i) = \begin{cases} 
Y_{0,2}(x_i) + \varepsilon Y_{1,2}(x_i) + k_{21} W_1(x_i) + k_{22}, & x_i \in [0, 1] \cap \bar{\Omega}^{2N}, \\
Y_{0,2}(x_i) + \varepsilon Y_{1,2}(x_i) + k_{23} W_2(x_i) + k_{24}, & x_i \in [1, 2] \cap \bar{\Omega}^{2N}.
\end{cases}
\]

**Theorem 6.1.** If \(\bar{y}\) is the solution of (2.2)-(2.3) and \(\bar{Y}_{as}\) is the solution of (6.1)-(6.2) and if \(\varepsilon \leq CN^{-1}\), then for \(k = 1, 2,\)

\[|y_k(x_i) - Y_{as,k}(x_i)| \leq CN^{-2} \ln^2 N, \ i = 0, 1, \ldots, 2N.\]

**Proof.** For \(k = 1, 2,\)

\[|y_k(x_i) - Y_{as,k}(x_i)| \leq |y_k(x_i) - Y_{as,k}(x_i)| + |y_{as,k}(x_i) - Y_{as,k}(x_i)| \leq C \varepsilon^2 + CN^{-2} \ln^2 N \leq CN^{-2} \ln^2 N.\]

Hence the proof.
7. Numerical illustration

To illustrate the efficiency of the method discussed in this article, an example is given in this section. For the purpose of calculating the maximum point-error, we use the idea of two mesh principle (when exact solution is not known) [22] and evaluate the convergence experiment rate in our computed solution. For this we put

\[ D_{k,\varepsilon}^M = \max_{0 \leq i \leq M} | Y_k^M(x_i) - Y_k^{2M}(x_i) |, \quad k = 1, 2, \]

where \( Y_k^M(x_i) \) and \( Y_k^{2M}(x_i) \) are numerical solutions on meshes of \( M \) and \( 2M \), respectively at the point \( x_i \).

We compute the maximum nodal error and the rate of convergence as

\[ D_{k,\varepsilon}^M = \max_{\varepsilon} D_{k,\varepsilon}^M \quad \text{and} \quad p_k^M = \log_2 \left( \frac{D_k^M}{D_k^{2M}} \right), \quad k = 1, 2. \]

The numerical results are given in Example 7.1 for \( \varepsilon \in \{2^{-4}, 2^{-5}, \ldots, 2^{-23}\} \).

**Example 7.1.** Consider the BVP (2.2) with

\[ a_1 = 11; \quad a_2 = 15 + x^2; \quad b_{11} = 6; \quad b_{12} = -2; \quad b_{21} = -2; \quad b_{22} = 5; \quad c_{11} = c_{22} = -1; \quad c_{12} = 0 = c_{21}; \]

\[ \ell_1 = \ell_2 = 2; \quad f_1 = 1; \quad f_2 = -1; \quad \phi_1 = \phi_2 = 0. \]

Tables 1-2 present the values of \( D_k^M \) and \( p_k^M \), \( k = 1, 2 \). Figures 1 and 2 represent the numerical solution and maximum pointwise error plot for the above Example 7.1, respectively. The \( D_k^M \) are calculated with the condition \( \varepsilon \leq CN^{-1} \).

### Table 1: Numerical results for \( y_1 \) of the Example 7.1.

| \( \varepsilon \) | \( 2^4 \) | \( 2^5 \) | \( 2^6 \) | \( 2^7 \) | \( 2^8 \) | \( 2^9 \) | \( 2^{10} \) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| \( 2^{-4} \) | 6.3087e-7 | 2.8716e-7 | 1.1392e-7 | 3.8333e-8 | 1.5836e-8 | 7.1991e-9 | 3.4993e-9 |
| \( 2^{-5} \) | 3.3191e-7 | 1.5979e-7 | 7.2490e-8 | 2.8803e-8 | 9.7393e-9 | 4.0277e-9 | 1.8341e-9 |
| \( 2^{-6} \) | 1.7003e-7 | 8.3919e-8 | 4.0219e-8 | 1.8218e-8 | 7.2460e-9 | 2.4566e-9 | 1.0165e-9 |
| \( 2^{-7} \) | 6.8005e-8 | 4.2961e-8 | 2.1100e-8 | 1.0091e-8 | 4.5675e-9 | 1.8178e-9 | 6.1714e-10 |
| \( 2^{-8} \) | 4.3226e-8 | 2.1729e-8 | 1.0797e-8 | 5.2902e-9 | 2.5274e-9 | 1.1436e-9 | 4.5530e-10 |
| \( 2^{-9} \) | 2.1645e-8 | 1.0925e-8 | 5.4599e-9 | 2.7062e-9 | 1.3245e-9 | 6.3246e-10 | 2.8615e-10 |
| \( 2^{-10} \) | 1.0806e-8 | 5.4762e-9 | 2.7452e-9 | 1.3684e-9 | 6.7745e-10 | 3.3138e-10 | 1.5820e-10 |
| \( 2^{-11} \) | 5.3751e-9 | 2.7400e-9 | 1.3763e-9 | 6.8801e-10 | 3.4252e-10 | 1.6948e-10 | 8.2878e-11 |
| \( 2^{-12} \) | 2.6566e-9 | 1.3690e-9 | 6.8901e-10 | 3.4495e-10 | 1.7221e-10 | 8.5685e-11 | 4.2388e-11 |
| \( 2^{-13} \) | 1.2965e-9 | 6.8274e-10 | 3.4462e-10 | 1.7271e-10 | 8.6343e-11 | 4.3079e-11 | 2.1428e-11 |
| \( 2^{-14} \) | 6.1632e-10 | 3.3943e-10 | 1.7225e-10 | 8.6405e-11 | 4.3230e-11 | 2.1598e-11 | 1.0773e-11 |
| \( 2^{-15} \) | 2.7616e-10 | 1.6774e-10 | 8.6014e-11 | 4.3210e-11 | 2.1629e-11 | 1.0814e-11 | 5.4012e-12 |
| \( 2^{-16} \) | 1.0608e-10 | 8.1876e-11 | 4.2886e-11 | 2.1601e-11 | 1.0818e-11 | 5.4016e-12 | 2.7044e-12 |
| \( 2^{-17} \) | 3.9235e-11 | 3.8943e-11 | 2.1319e-11 | 1.0793e-11 | 5.4095e-12 | 2.7061e-12 | 1.3531e-12 |
| \( 2^{-18} \) | 5.2010e-11 | 1.7476e-11 | 1.0535e-11 | 5.3892e-12 | 2.7046e-12 | 1.3531e-12 | 6.7693e-13 |
| \( 2^{-19} \) | 5.8398e-11 | 6.7423e-12 | 5.1431e-12 | 2.6869e-12 | 1.3518e-12 | 6.7667e-13 | 3.3834e-13 |
| \( 2^{-20} \) | 6.1591e-11 | 2.3772e-12 | 2.4470e-12 | 1.3357e-12 | 6.7532e-13 | 3.3845e-13 | 1.6914e-13 |
| \( 2^{-21} \) | 6.3188e-11 | 3.1965e-12 | 1.0990e-12 | 6.6004e-13 | 3.3722e-13 | 1.6930e-13 | 8.4530e-14 |
| \( 2^{-22} \) | 6.3987e-11 | 3.6064e-12 | 4.2484e-13 | 3.2219e-13 | 1.6817e-13 | 8.4516e-14 | 4.2452e-14 |
| \( 2^{-23} \) | 6.4386e-11 | 3.8103e-12 | 1.4731e-13 | 1.5342e-13 | 8.3419e-14 | 4.2313e-14 | 2.1053e-14 |

Table \( D_k^M \) and \( p_k^M \) are calculated with the condition \( \varepsilon \leq CN^{-1} \).
Table 2: Numerical results for $y_2$ of the Example 7.1.

| N (Number of grid points) | $2^4$        | $2^5$        | $2^6$        | $2^7$        | $2^8$        | $2^9$        | $2^{10}$     |
|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| $\epsilon$                | $3.4880e-7$  | $5.6354e-8$  | $1.6968e-8$  | $5.6473e-9$  | $2.2124e-9$  | $9.7491e-10$ |              |
| $2^2$                      | $1.5416e-7$  | $3.8908e-8$  | $1.4255e-8$  | $4.3131e-9$  | $1.4383e-9$  | $5.6527e-10$ |              |
| $2^3$                      | $4.6958e-8$  | $2.2228e-8$  | $9.7775e-9$  | $3.5872e-9$  | $1.0882e-9$  | $3.6325e-10$ |              |
| $2^4$                      | $2.4176e-8$  | $1.1806e-8$  | $5.5764e-9$  | $2.4513e-9$  | $9.0003e-10$ | $2.7341e-10$ |              |
| $2^5$                      | $1.2261e-8$  | $6.0753e-9$  | $2.9558e-9$  | $1.3966e-9$  | $6.1375e-10$ | $2.2545e-10$ |              |
| $2^6$                      | $6.1732e-9$  | $3.0807e-9$  | $1.5228e-9$  | $7.4103e-10$ | $3.4949e-10$ | $1.5356e-10$ |              |
| $2^7$                      | $3.0966e-9$  | $1.5511e-9$  | $7.7209e-10$ | $3.8119e-10$ | $1.8540e-10$ | $8.7418e-11$ |              |
| $2^8$                      | $1.5502e-9$  | $7.7818e-10$ | $3.8872e-10$ | $1.9326e-10$ | $9.5360e-11$ | $4.6367e-11$ |              |
| $2^9$                      | $7.7496e-10$ | $3.8971e-10$ | $1.9503e-10$ | $9.7298e-11$ | $4.8345e-11$ | $2.3848e-11$ |              |
| $2^{10}$                   | $3.8682e-10$ | $1.9497e-10$ | $9.7677e-11$ | $4.8815e-11$ | $2.4339e-11$ | $1.2090e-11$ |              |
| $2^{11}$                   | $1.9263e-10$ | $9.7477e-11$ | $4.8877e-11$ | $2.4449e-11$ | $1.2211e-11$ | $6.0866e-12$ |              |
| $2^{12}$                   | $9.5496e-11$ | $4.8697e-11$ | $2.4446e-11$ | $1.2235e-11$ | $6.1160e-12$ | $3.0537e-12$ |              |
| $2^{13}$                   | $4.6923e-11$ | $2.4300e-11$ | $1.2222e-11$ | $6.1198e-12$ | $3.0606e-12$ | $1.5294e-12$ |              |
| $2^{14}$                   | $2.2635e-11$ | $1.2099e-11$ | $6.1085e-12$ | $3.0604e-12$ | $1.5308e-12$ | $7.6546e-13$ |              |
| $2^{15}$                   | $1.0490e-11$ | $5.9979e-12$ | $3.0512e-12$ | $1.5301e-12$ | $7.664e-13$  | $3.8283e-13$ |              |
| $2^{16}$                   | $4.4177e-12$ | $2.9474e-12$ | $1.5224e-12$ | $7.6491e-13$ | $3.8287e-13$ | $1.9118e-13$ |              |
| $2^{17}$                   | $1.3814e-12$ | $1.4220e-12$ | $7.5798e-13$ | $3.8228e-13$ | $1.9134e-13$ | $9.589e-14$  |              |
| $2^{18}$                   | $4.507e-12$  | $3.7578e-13$ | $1.9105e-13$ | $9.546e-14$  | $4.7962e-14$ | $2.382e-14$  |              |
| $2^{19}$                   | $1.5564e-12$ | $2.7803e-13$ | $1.8479e-13$ | $9.5139e-14$ | $4.7899e-14$ | $2.382e-14$  |              |
| $2^{20}$                   | $1.6092e-12$ | $8.7409e-14$ | $4.7469e-14$ | $2.3826e-14$ | $8.7418e-11$ | $8.7418e-11$ |              |
| $2^{21}$                   | $9.815$      | $1.9904$     | $1.9950$     | $1.9974$     | $1.9986$     | $1.9993$     |              |

Figure 1: Numerical solution of the problem stated in Example 7.1.
8. Concluding remarks

In this article, a class of system of second order SPDDEs is considered. In [21, 22], the authors suggested initial value method for second order SPDDEs with order of convergence is $\varepsilon + (N^{-1} \ln N)^2$. Using the improved AEA (4.7)-(4.8), the fourth order Runge-Kutta methods and hybrid finite difference methods, we are able to obtain the higher order convergence ($O(N^{-1} \ln N)^2$) subject to the condition that $\varepsilon \leq CN^{-1}$. Tables 1-2 present the numerical error for the Example 7.1. They show the maximum errors and order of convergence. Figures 1 and 2 represent the numerical solutions and the maximum errors for the Example 7.1, respectively.

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