On the Closed Form Solutions of Linear and Nonlinear Cauchy Reaction-Diffusion Equations Using the Hybrid of Fourier Transform and Variational Iteration Method

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Abstract: Problem statement: In the present study, a hybrid of Fourier transform and Variational Iteration Method (FTVIM) is developed for solving the non-homogeneous linear and nonlinear partial differential equations of Cauchy reaction-diffusion problem. Approach: The closed form solutions obtained from the series solution of recursive sequences is valid for the entire range of problem domain. Results and Conclusion: Moreover, the very rapid convergence towards the exact solutions using the new method, FTVIM, indicates that the amount of computational work is much less than the computational work required for both the previous VIMs and the modified VIMs. Key words: Cauchy reaction-diffusion, fourier transformation, variational iteration method, Non-homogeneous, partial differential equation, exact solutions, restricted variational

INTRODUCTION

In the physical real-life phenomena, the majority of governing differential equations do not have analytic solutions. Moreover, due to the non-linear nature and variable coefficients of these differential equations, attentions are devoted to the approximate solutions obtained by semi analytical methods such as the Homotopy Perturbation Method (HPM) (He, 2009; Kasozi et al., 2011; Gupta and Singh, 2011; Othman et al., 2010; Gepreel, 2011; Aslanov, 2011) and Variational Iteration Method (VIM) (He et al., 2010; Shakeri, et al., 2009; Chen and Wang, 2010; Zhou and Yao, 2010; Odibat, 2010; Zhao and Xiao, 2010; Shang and Han, 2010; Turkyilmazoglu, 2011). The VIM is developed by employing a correction functional and a general Lagrange multiplier for the differential equation. Then by the variational principle the optimum value is obtained for the correction functional and it is solved using the iteration method (He et al., 2010; Shakeri, et al., 2009; Chen and Wang, 2010; Zhou and Yao, 2010; Odibat, 2010; Zhao and Xiao, 2010; Shang and Han, 2010; Turkyilmazoglu, 2011). The variational iteration method has been applied to so many engineering real-life problems so far (He et al., 2010; Shakeri et al., 2009; Chen and Wang, 2010; Zhou and Yao, 2010; Odibat, 2010; Zhao and Xiao, 2010; Shang and Han, 2010; Turkyilmazoglu, 2011). However, the solutions of these problems are valid only in one-directional problem domain either in time or space problem domain. In other words, the unsatisfied boundary conditions in the solutions of the VIM and other semi-analytical methods play no role in the final results (Kasozi et al., 2011; Gupta and Singh, 2011; Othman et al., 2010; Gepreel, 2011; Aslanov, 2011; Madani et al., 2011; He et al., 2010; Chen and Wang, 2010; Zhou and Yao, 2010; Odibat, 2010; Zhao and Xiao, 2010; Shang and Han, 2010; Turkyilmazoglu, 2011; Afshari et al., 2009; Aruchunan and Sulaiman, 2010). Therefore, there has been a deficiency as a built in short comes in the solutions using the VIM and other semi-analytical methods.

The basic objective of the present work is to develop a new modified VIM, the so called FTVIM, to overcome the deficiency caused due to validity of solution in small range of problem domain, because the boundary conditions are satisfied only in one dimension (He et al., 2010; Chen and Wang, 2010; Zhou and Yao, 2010; Odibat, 2010; Zhao and Xiao, 2010; Shang and Han, 2010; Turkyilmazoglu, 2011), when using the semi-analytical methods such as VIM. The new modified VIM is developed by combining the Fourier transform and VIM, where all conditions are satisfied over the entire range of time and space problem domains. It is shown mathematically that as the number of partial sum of the infinite series of approximate solution increases, very rapid convergence to the closed form solution, the exact solution of problem, is obtained...
which is valid for the entire range of problem domain. In the present work, four different non-homogeneous linear and nonlinear partial differential equations, the Cauchy reaction-diffusion are solved using the new modified VIM (FTVIM). The closed form solutions for the four partial differential equations which are the exact solutions of the problems are obtained. Furthermore, the trends of very rapid convergence of the results toward the exact solutions have been demonstrated.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Variational Iteration Method (VIM): The Variational Iteration Method (VIM) is originally initiated by He et al. (2010). The basic idea of the VIM for solving nonlinear differential Eq. 1 is as follow; consider the following differential equation:

\[ E(u) = g(t) \]  

(1)

where, \( E \) is any differential operator. We construct a correction functional as follow Eq. 2 (Wazwaz, 2009):

\[ u_{n+1} = u_n + \int \lambda (L(u_n) + N(u_n) - g(t)) dt \]

(2)

where, \( \lambda \) is a general Lagrange multiplier that has to be optimized by the variational principle, \( L \) and \( N \) are linear and nonlinear operators and \( \hat{u} \) is the restricted variation of \( u_n \) where, \( \delta \hat{u} = 0 \) The main purpose of constructing the correction functional, Eq. 2, is the calculation of the optimal value of \( \lambda \). Here for simplicity we assume that the operator \( E \) is linear. Thus the optimum value of \( \lambda \) can be obtained by making use of the rule of integration by parts as Eq. 3:

\[ \int \lambda (\xi) u'_n(\xi) d\xi = \lambda (\xi) u_n(\xi) - \int \lambda'(\xi) u_n(\xi) d\xi \]

(3)

Equation 3 can be obtained by integration by parts. Having determined the Lagrange multiplier \( \lambda(\xi) = -1 \), the successive approximations \( u_{n+1}, n \geq 0 \) of the exact solution \( u \) is obtained upon choosing the proper value for \( u_0 \) and \( u = \lim_{n \to \infty} u_n \). As a matter of fact, the correction functional (Eq. 2) can provide several successive approximations and at the limit as \( n \) tends to infinity the resulting successive approximations approaches to the exact solution of the differential equation.

Basic Idea of FTVIM: The general forms of time-dependent one-dimensional nonlinear partial differential equations are considered for illustrating the idea of the present method (FTVIM) as follows Eq. 4:

\[ E(u(x, t)) = \phi(x, t), x \geq 0, t \geq 0 \]

(4)

usually the operator \( E \) can be decomposed into two parts, linear and nonlinear, as:

\[ L(u(x, t)) + N(u(x, t)) = \phi(x, t) \]

(5)

\[ u(x, 0) = f(x) \]

(6)

and the boundary conditions Eq. 7:

\[ u(0, t) = g_0(t), u_x(0, t) = g_1(t) \]

(7)

Applying Fourier transform to Eq. 5 and 6 we obtain as:

\[ F[L(u(x, t))]+F[N(u(x, t))]=F[\phi(x, t)], F[u(x, t)]=F[f(x)] \]

(8)

where, \( F \) indicates the Fourier transform. We develop a correction functional to Eq. 8 as follow:

\[ F[u(x, t)]_{n+1} = F[u(x, t)]_n + \int \lambda(\xi)\left[F[L(u(x, \xi))]_n + F[N(\bar{u}(x, \xi))]_n - F[\phi(x, \xi)]\right] d\xi \]

(9)

where, \( \bar{u} \) is a restricted variation and the first variation of it, \( \delta \bar{u}(x, \xi) \), vanishes. Taking the first variation from both sides of Eq. 9 we get the following:

\[ F[\delta u_{n+1}(x, t)] = F[\delta u_n(x, t)] + \int \lambda(\xi)\left[F[L(\delta u(x, \xi))]_n + F[N(\delta \bar{u}(x, \xi))]_n - F[\phi(x, \xi)]\right] d\xi \]

(10)

In Eq. 10 the Fourier transform is evaluated by integration by parts as follows:

\[ F \left\{ \frac{\partial u(x, t)}{\partial x} \right\} = i\omega F[u(x, t)] - u(0, t) \]

(11)

\[ F \left\{ \frac{\partial^2 u(x, t)}{\partial x^2} \right\} = -\omega^2 F[u(x, t)] - i\omega u_0(0, t) - u_x(0, t) \]

(12)

\[ F \left\{ \frac{\partial u(x, t)}{\partial t} \right\} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} F[u(x, t)] \]

(13)
\[
F \left[ \frac{\partial^2 u(x,t)}{\partial t^2} \right] = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} F[u(x,t)]
\]

Using Eq. 9 is obtained as follow:

and so on. The main step in the variational iteration method is to calculate the optimal value of \( \lambda(\xi) \) in Eq. 10. Making use of Eq. 11-14 the optimal value of \( \lambda(\xi) \) using Eq. 9 is obtained as follow:

\[
\hat{u}_{in+1}(\alpha, t) = \hat{u}_{in}(\alpha, t) + \delta \lambda(\xi)
\]

Taking integration by parts, Eq. 15 can be rewritten
to \( u = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n \). Equation 19 introduces the recursive relations as follows:

\[
\hat{u}_{n+1}(\alpha, t) = \hat{u}_n(\alpha, t)
\]

Using Eq. 19 the successive approximations \( \hat{u}_{n+1}(\alpha, t), n \geq 0 \) can be obtained and the exact solution to the nonlinear partial differential equation is then equal to \( u = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n \). Equation 19 introduces the recursive relations as follows:
And so on. Using the Maple package we solve Eq. 20-23 and then applying the inverse Fourier transform, that will define \( u_0, u_1, u_2, \ldots, u_n \) and the solution is then equal to \( u = \lim_{n \to \infty} u_n \). It is worth noting that Eq. 20-23 is a recursive approximation relations that have two advantages over the regular VIM. First: all initial and boundary conditions are satisfied. However, in the VIM either the initial conditions or the boundary conditions are satisfied. Usually the initial conditions are satisfied and the boundary conditions remain unsatisfied and any modifications to the unsatisfied boundary conditions do not affect the solution to the problem. Second: the amount of calculations is less than the one required for the VIM, because by taking the Fourier transform and integrating by parts the complexity of the method reduces considerably. Moreover the very rapid convergence to the exact solution can be achieved. In the following these advantages are shown by solving three non-homogeneous linear partial differential equations and one more nonlinear partial differential equation of the Cauchy reaction-diffusion.

**RESULTS**

First we solve three linear partial differential equations and then we handle one more nonlinear partial differential equation. The Cauchy reaction-diffusion equation in one-dimensional and time-dependent case is written as (Akbarzade and Langari, 2011):

\[
\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} (x, t) = D \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} (x, t) + r(x, t)u(x, t)
\]

where, \( u(x,t) \) is the concentration of the substances, \( r(x,t) \) is the reaction parameter at position \( x \) and time \( t \) and \( D \) is the diffusion coefficient. Equation 24 is solved subject to the following initial and boundary conditions Eq. 25 and 26:

\[
u(x,0) = f(x)\]

\[
u(0,t) = g_1(t), \quad \nu(x,0) = g_2(t)
\]

**Example 1:** The Kolmogorov-Petrovskii-Piskunov (KPP) is obtained by taking \( D=1, r=1 \) in Eq. 24 as follow:

\[
\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = D \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} - u, x \geq 0, t \geq 0
\]

\[
u(x,0) = x+e^x
\]

\[
u(0,t) = 1, \quad u_0(0,t) = e^t-1
\]

The Fourier transform of Eq. 27 is Eq. 28:

\[
\hat{u}(\omega,0) = \frac{i(1 + \omega^2 + e^{-t} + i\omega - 1)}{1 + i\omega}
\]

where, \( \delta(\omega) \) is the derivative of Dirac delta function.

We construct a correction functional as:

\[
\hat{u}_{n+1}(\omega,t) = \hat{u}_n(\omega,t) + \frac{\int_0^\infty \lambda(\xi) \left\{ \frac{\partial \hat{u}_n}{\partial \xi} + (1 + \omega^2)\hat{u}_n + e^\xi + i\omega - 1 \right\} d\xi}{\omega^2}
\]

Integrating by parts we get \( \lambda(\xi) = 1 \). Assuming \( \hat{u}_0(\omega,0) = \hat{u}(\omega,0) \) and substituting for the value of \( \lambda(\xi) = 1 \), using Eq. 29 the successive approximations \( \hat{u}_{n+1}(\omega,t) \) are obtained as follows:

\[
\hat{u}_{n+1}(\omega,t) = \hat{u}_n(\omega,t) + \frac{\int_0^\infty \left\{ \frac{\partial \hat{u}_n}{\partial \xi} + (1 + \omega^2)\hat{u}_n + e^\xi + i\omega - 1 \right\} d\xi}{\omega^2}
\]

By integrating the recursive approximate equations by parts, Eq. 30, we obtain the followings:

\[
\hat{u}_0(\omega,t) = \frac{i(1 + \omega^2(\pi\delta))}{\omega^2} + \frac{1}{1 + i\omega}
\]

\[
\hat{u}_1(\omega,t) = \frac{1}{1 + i\omega} \left[ (1 - (1 + \omega^2)\hat{u}_1 + e^\xi + i\omega - 1) \right]
\]

\[
\hat{u}_2(\omega,t) = \frac{1}{1 + i\omega} \left[ (1 - (1 + \omega^2)\hat{u}_2 + e^\xi + i\omega - 1) \right]
\]

\[
\hat{u}_{n+1}(\omega,t) = \hat{u}_n(\omega,t) + \frac{\int_0^\infty \left\{ \frac{\partial \hat{u}_n}{\partial \xi} + (1 + \omega^2)\hat{u}_n + e^\xi + i\omega - 1 \right\} d\xi}{\omega^2}
\]
And so on. The rest of the components were obtained using the Maple package. Using the Maple package the inverse Fourier transform of Eq. 31 is:

\[ u_0(x,t) = e^{-x} + \frac{x}{1+\omega^2} \]

\[ u_1(x,t) = e^{-x} + x(1-t) \]

\[ u_2(x,t) = e^{-x} + x(1-t+\frac{t^2}{2}) \]

and so on. The Taylor series expansion for \( e^x \) is written as:

\[ e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^n}{n!} \]

By substituting Eq. 33 into Eq. 32, thus Eq. 32 can ultimately be reduced to Eq. 34:

\[ u(x,t) = e^{-x} + xe^{-t} \]

This is the exact solution of the problem, Eq. 27 towards the exact solution is shown. In Table 1 the percentage of relative errors of the results of \( u_0(x,t) \) to \( u_n(x,t) \) of the FTVIM solution of Eq. 27 at each location along the x axis and at different times are shown. The trend of very rapid convergence, the maximum relative error of less than 0.03%, of the results towards the exact solution is clearly shown.

**Example 2:** The Kolmogorov-Petrovskii-Piskunov (KPP) is obtained by taking \( D=1, r=2t \) in Eq. 24 as follow:

\[ \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + 2tu, x \geq 0, t \geq 0 \]

\[ u(x,0) = e^{-x} \]

\[ u(0,t) = e^{i\pi t}, u_1(0,t) = e^{i\pi t} \]

The Fourier transform of Eq. 35 is Eq. 36:

\[ \hat{\lambda}(\xi) = \hat{\lambda}(\xi) + e^{i\pi t}(i\xi + 1) = 0 \]

We construct a correction functional as:

\[ \hat{u}(\omega,0) = \frac{1}{1+i\omega} \]

Integrating by parts we get \( \lambda(\xi) = -1 \). Assuming \( \hat{u}_0(\xi,0) = \hat{u}(\xi,0) \) and substituting for the value of \( \lambda(\xi) = -1 \), Eq. 37 can be rewritten as:

\[ \hat{u}_n(\xi,0) = \frac{1}{1+i\omega} \]

\[ \hat{u}_1(\xi,0) = \hat{u}_0(\xi,0) - \frac{1}{\xi} \hat{\lambda}(\xi) + (\omega^2 - 2\xi)\hat{u}_0 + e^{i\pi t}(i\xi + 1)\xi d\xi \]

(38)
Table 1: Shows the percentage of relative errors of the results of $u_0(x,t)$ to $u_s(x,t)$ of the FTVIM solution of Eq. 27

| $t$ | $x$ | Percentage of relative error (%RE) |
|-----|-----|-----------------------------------|
| 0.1 | $u_0(x,t)$ | 0.07477121192 |
|     | $u_1(x,t)$ | 0.00300085927 |
|     | $u_2(x,t)$ | 0.000127744052 |
|     | $u_3(x,t)$ | 0.000003209433 |
|     | $u_4(x,t)$ | 6.467320576 e^{-8} |
|     | $u_s(x,t)$ | 8.46122714 e^{-10} |
| 0.4 | $u_0(x,t)$ | 0.3175497177 |
|     | $u_1(x,t)$ | 0.0677326919 |
|     | $u_2(x,t)$ | 0.0095237900 |
|     | $u_3(x,t)$ | 0.00090540761 |
|     | $u_4(x,t)$ | 0.0000057012174 |
|     | $u_s(x,t)$ | 0.000005181374 |
| 0.7 | $u_0(x,t)$ | 0.5823426568 |
|     | $u_1(x,t)$ | 0.2274069648 |
|     | $u_2(x,t)$ | 0.0560054027 |
|     | $u_3(x,t)$ | 0.0101241497 |
|     | $u_4(x,t)$ | 0.0014485219 |
|     | $u_s(x,t)$ | 0.00001765199 |

And so on by integrating the recursive approximate equations by parts, Eq. 38, we obtain the followings Eq. 39:

\[
\hat{u}_0(\omega,t) = \frac{1}{1 + i\omega}
\]

\[
\hat{u}_1 = \frac{1}{1 + i\omega} (1 + t + \omega t)(1 + i\omega)
\]

\[
\frac{i \sqrt{\pi}}{2} e^{-\frac{1}{4}(\text{erf}(it + \frac{i}{2}) - \text{erf}(\frac{i}{2}))}
\]

\[
\hat{u}_2 = \frac{1}{1 + i\omega} (1 + t + \omega t)(1 + t + \omega t)
\]

\[
(1 + t + \omega t + \omega t)(1 + t + \omega t) + (1 + i\omega)
\]

\[
[a_{13}] - \omega(1 + i\omega)[a_{12}] + (1 + i\omega)
\]

\[
\frac{i \sqrt{\pi}}{2} e^{-\frac{1}{4}(\text{erf}(it + \frac{i}{2}) - \text{erf}(\frac{i}{2}))}
\]

The following equations can be obtained:

\[
a_{13} = -\frac{1}{2} + e^{it + \frac{i}{2}}
\]

\[
+ (i \sqrt{\pi} e^{-\frac{1}{4}})[\text{erf}(it + \frac{i}{2}) - 4e^{\frac{1}{2}}
\]

\[
- \text{erf}(\frac{i}{2})(1 + 2it) - \text{erf}(\frac{i}{2})(1 + 2it)
\]

\[
al_{12} = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} e^{it + \frac{i}{2} - \frac{1}{2} te^{it + \frac{i}{2}}}
\]

\[
+ \frac{i}{8} \sqrt{\pi} e^{\frac{1}{4}} \text{erf}(\frac{i}{2} + 4te^{it + \frac{i}{2}})
\]

\[
-4t \text{erf}(\frac{i}{2})(1 + 2it) - \text{erf}(\frac{i}{2})(1 + 2it)
\]
where, erf(x) is the error function. The rest of the
components were obtained using the Maple package.
Using the Maple package the inverse Fourier transform
of Eq. 27 is:

\[ a_{32} = 6e^{- \frac{1}{2} (1 + 2t)} + 24te^{- \frac{1}{2} (1 + 2t)} - 6e^{- \frac{1}{2}} - 4te^{- \frac{1}{2}} - 16te^{- \frac{1}{2}}^{3} \]
\[ + i \sqrt{\pi} (5e^{- \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} t}) \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) + 12t e^{- \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} t} \]
\[ \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) - 5e^{- \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} t} \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{i}{2} \right) \]
\[ - 12t e^{- \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} t} \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{it}{2} \right) - 16t e^{- \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} t} \]
\[ \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{it}{2} \right) + 16t e^{- \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} t} \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{i}{2} \right) + \right) \]

\[ a_{33} = 6e^{- \frac{1}{2} (1 + 2t)} - 6e^{- \frac{1}{2} + 2t} + 4t e^{- \frac{1}{2}} \]
\[ + i \sqrt{\pi} (5e^{- \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} t}) \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) + 3te^{- \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} t} \]
\[ \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) + 4t e^{- \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} t} \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{it}{2} \right) \]
\[ - 5e^{- \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} t} \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{it}{2} \right) - 4t e^{- \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} t} \]
\[ \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{it}{2} \right) + 3te^{- \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} t} \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{i}{2} \right) \]

\[ a_{34} = -18e^{- \frac{1}{2} (1 + 2t)} - 16t e^{- \frac{1}{2} (1 + 2t)} + 18e^{- \frac{1}{2}} \]
\[ - 20te^{- \frac{1}{2}} + 8t e^{- \frac{1}{2}} - 16t e^{- \frac{1}{2}} \]
\[ + i \sqrt{\pi} (8t e^{- \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} t}) \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) - 16t e^{- \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} t} \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{it}{2} \right) \]
\[ + 16t e^{- \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} t} \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{2} e^{- \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} t} \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{i}{2} \right) \]
\[ - 8t e^{- \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} t} \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{it}{2} \right) - 4t e^{- \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} t} \]
\[ \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{it}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{2} e^{- \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} t} \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{i}{2} \right) \]

\[ a_{35} = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) + \frac{1}{2} e^{- \frac{1}{2} (1 + 2t)} - \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) \]
\[ + \frac{1}{8} \sqrt{\pi} e^{- \frac{1}{2} (1 + 2t)} - \frac{1}{2} e^{- \frac{1}{2} (1 + 2t)} \]
\[ \frac{1}{2} e^{- \frac{1}{2} (1 + 2t)} + \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) \]
\[ \frac{1}{2} e^{- \frac{1}{2} (1 + 2t)} - \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) \]

\[ a_{36} = \frac{1}{4} \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) + \frac{1}{4} e^{- \frac{1}{2} (1 + 2t)} - \frac{1}{4} e^{- \frac{1}{2} (1 + 2t)} \]
\[ + \frac{1}{8} \sqrt{\pi} e^{- \frac{1}{2} (1 + 2t)} + \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) \]
\[ - 4t \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) \]

where, \( u_s(x,t) = e^{-t^2} \)
\( u_s(x,t) = e^{-t^2}(1 + t + t^2) \)
\( u_s(x,t) = e^{-t^2}(1 + t^3 + \frac{3}{2} t^3 + \frac{3}{2} t^3 + \frac{3}{2} t^3 + \frac{3}{2} t^3) \)
\( u_s(x,t) = e^{-t^2}(1 + t + t^3 + \frac{3}{2} t^3 + \frac{3}{2} t^3 + \frac{3}{2} t^3 + \frac{3}{2} t^3) \)

and so on. The Taylor series expansion for \( e^t \) is written as:
\[ e^t = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^n}{n!} \] (41)

By substituting Eq. 41 into Eq. 40, thus Eq. 40 can ultimately be reduced to Eq. 42:
\[ u_s(x,0) = e^{-t^2} e^{ix} \] (42)

This is the exact solution of the problem, Eq. 35. In the following, Table 2, the trend of convergence of the results of \( u_0(x,t) \) to \( u_s(x,t) \) of the FTVIM solution of Eq. 35 towards the exact solution is shown. Table 2 shows the percentage of relative errors of the results of \( u_0(x,t) \) to \( u_s(x,t) \) of the FTVIM solution of Eq. 35 at each location along the x axis and at different times. The trend of very rapid convergence, the maximum relative error of less than 0.15%, of the solution towards the exact solution is clearly shown.

**Example 3:** The Kolmogorov-Petrovskii-Piskunov (KPP) is obtained by taking \( D=1, r = -(-1+4x^2) \) in Eq. 24 as follow Eq. 43:
\[ \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \] (43)

By applying the Fourier transform to Eq. 43 we obtain the following Eq. 44:
\[ \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \left( \omega^2 - 1 - 4 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \omega^2} \right) u = 0 \]
Table 2: Shows the percentage of relative errors of the results of $u_0(x,t)$ to $u_i(x,t)$ of the FTVIM solution of Eq. 35

| $t$ | $x = 1$ | $x = 1.5$ | $x = 2$ |
|-----|---------|-----------|---------|
| 0.1 | 0.1041658643 | 0.1041658644 | 0.1041658643 |
| 0.2 | 0.005624109412 | 0.00562410955 | 0.005624109412 |
| 0.3 | 0.000005587371504 | 0.000005587846 | 0.000005587371504 |
| 0.4 | 1.227292766 e-7 | 1.22854411 e-7 | 1.22792766 e-7 |
| 0.7 | 2.687502407 e-9 | 2.681039503 e-9 | 2.687502407 e-9 |
| 0.8 | 0.4287909361 | 0.4287909360 | 0.4287909361 |
| 0.9 | 0.1089138602 | 0.1089138601 | 0.1089138602 |
| 1.0 | 0.01934827902 | 0.01934827890 | 0.01934827902 |
| 1.1 | 0.002629370713 | 0.002629370740 | 0.002629370713 |
| 1.2 | 0.000288723335 | 0.0002887234084 | 0.000288723335 |
| 1.3 | 0.00002657093203 | 0.00002657081515 | 0.00002657093203 |

where, erf (x) is the error function. We construct a correction functional as Eq. 45:

$$\hat{u}(0,0) = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} e^{-\frac{x^2}{4}} \text{erf} \left( \frac{io\omega}{2} \right)$$

And so on. By integrating the recursive approximate equations by parts, Eq. 46, we obtain the followings Eq. 47:

$$\hat{u}_{n+1}(0,0) = \hat{u}_n(0,0) - \int_{0}^{\infty} \left( \hat{u}_{n+1} \frac{\partial u_n}{\partial \xi} + i\omega e^{-\xi} + \left( \omega^2 - 1 - 4 \frac{\partial^2 u_n}{\partial \xi^2} \right) \hat{u}_n \right) d\xi$$

And so on. The rest of the components were obtained using the Maple package. Using the Maple package the inverse Fourier transform of Eq. 47 is:

$$u_0 = e^{-t}, u_1 = e^{-t}(1-t)$$
Table 3: Shows the percentage of relative errors of the results of \( u_0(x,t) \) to \( u_s(x,t) \) of the FTVIM solution of Eq. 43

| t = 0.1 | \( x = 1 \) | \( x = 1.5 \) | \( x = 2 \) |
|--------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| \( u_0(x,t) \) | 0.1051709181 | 0.1051709181 | 0.1051709181 |
| \( u_1(x,t) \) | 0.005346173692 | 0.005346173731 | 0.005346173692 |
| \( u_2(x,t) \) | 0.000004514291649 | 0.000004514352332 | 0.000004514291649 |
| \( u_3(x,t) \) | 9.062401529 e-8 | 9.059532239 e-8 | 9.062401529 e-8 |
| \( u_4(x,t) \) | 1.436722194 e-9 | 1.467979761 e-9 | 1.436722194 e-9 |
| \( u_s(x,t) \) | 1.436722194 e-9 | 1.467979761 e-9 | 1.436722194 e-9 |

\( t = 0.4 \)

| \( u_0(x,t) \) | 0.4918246977 | 0.4918246978 | 0.4918246977 |
| \( u_1(x,t) \) | 0.1049051814 | 0.1049051813 | 0.1049051814 |
| \( u_2(x,t) \) | 0.01444079445 | 0.01444079451 | 0.01444079445 |
| \( u_3(x,t) \) | 0.001472002375 | 0.001472002326 | 0.001472002375 |
| \( u_4(x,t) \) | 0.0001192773519 | 0.0001192773575 | 0.0001192773519 |
| \( u_s(x,t) \) | 0.00008024972596 | 0.00008024915289 | 0.00008024972596 |

\( t = 0.7 \)

| \( u_0(x,t) \) | 1.013752707 | 1.013752707 | 1.013752707 |
| \( u_1(x,t) \) | 0.3958741878 | 0.3958741878 | 0.3958741878 |
| \( u_2(x,t) \) | 0.09749522555 | 0.09749522557 | 0.09749522555 |
| \( u_3(x,t) \) | 0.01762430429 | 0.01762430440 | 0.01762430429 |
| \( u_4(x,t) \) | 0.002521613488 | 0.002521613516 | 0.002521613488 |
| \( u_s(x,t) \) | 0.0002988149244 | 0.0002988150145 | 0.0002988149244 |

**Example 4:** Consider the following nonlinear differential equation, the nonlinear Cauchy reaction-diffusion as the forth case study problem:

\[
\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}\left(u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\right) + u(1-u) \quad x \geq 0, t \geq 0
\]

This is the exact solution of the problem, Eq. 43.

In the following, Table 3, we have shown the trend of convergence of the results of \( u_0(x,t) \) to \( u_s(x,t) \) of the FTVIM solutions of Eq. 43 towards the exact solution. Table 3 shows the percentage of relative errors of the results of \( u_0(x,t) \) to \( u_s(x,t) \) of the FTVIM solution of Eq. 43 at different locations along the x axis and at different times. The trend of very rapid convergence, the relative error of 0.03%, of the solution towards the exact solution is clearly shown.

By applying the Fourier transform to Eq. 51 we obtain as follow Eq. 52:

\[
\hat{\frac{\partial \hat{u}}{\partial \omega}} - \hat{\omega}^2 \hat{F}(\hat{u}^2) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{\frac{i}{2}} \left(1 - e^{\frac{i}{2}}\right) \frac{i \omega}{2} \left(1 - e^{\frac{i}{2}}\right) = 0
\]

where, superscript on the dependent variable \( u \) indicates the Fourier transform, \( F(\hat{u}^2) \) is the Fourier transform of \( u^2 \) and \( \delta(\omega) \) is the Dirac delta function.

We construct a correction functional as:

\[
\hat{u}_{n+1}(\omega,t) = \hat{u}_n(\omega,t)
\]

Integrating by parts we get \( d(\xi) = -1 \). Assuming \( \hat{u}_n(\omega,t) = \hat{u}(\omega,t) \) and substituting for the value of \( d(\xi) = -1 \), Eq. 53 can be rewritten as:
\[
\hat{u}_0(\omega,t) = \pi \delta(\omega) - \frac{i \sqrt{2}}{\omega(2i\omega + \sqrt{2})}
\]

\[
\hat{u}_1(\omega,t) = \hat{u}_0(\omega,t) + \left\{ \frac{\partial \hat{u}_0}{\partial \xi} - \hat{u}_0 + \left( 1 + \frac{\omega^3}{2} \right) e^{i \xi} \right\} d\xi
\]

\[
\hat{u}_2(\omega,t) = \hat{u}_1(\omega,t) + \left\{ \frac{\partial \hat{u}_1}{\partial \xi} - \hat{u}_1 + \left( 1 + \frac{\omega^3}{2} \right) e^{i \xi} \right\} d\xi
\]

And so on. By integrating the recursive approximate equations by parts, Eq. 54, we obtain the followings:

\[
\hat{u}_0(\omega,t) = \pi \delta(\omega) - \frac{i \sqrt{2}}{\omega(2i\omega + \sqrt{2})}
\]

\[
\hat{u}_1(\omega,t) = \pi \delta(\omega) - \frac{i \sqrt{2}}{\omega(2i\omega + \sqrt{2})}
+ \frac{t}{2i\omega} \left( -1 + \frac{\omega^3}{2} + \sqrt{2}e^{-\frac{1}{2}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}e^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right)
\]

\[
\hat{u}_2(\omega,t) = \pi \delta(\omega) - \frac{i \sqrt{2}}{\omega(2i\omega + \sqrt{2})}
+ \frac{1}{2(2i\omega + \sqrt{2})} \left[ A_{21} \right] + A_{33}
\]

\[
A_{21} = [-8it + \frac{t^3}{3}(2i\omega^3 + 2\omega) + 2\sqrt{2}\omega^3 - 8\pi \delta(\omega)\omega^t t
+ 12\sqrt{2}\pi \delta(\omega)\omega^t t + 8\pi \delta(\omega)\omega t]
\]

\[
A_{33} = \frac{1}{2(2i\omega + \sqrt{2})} \left[ A_{22} \right] + A_{33}
\]

\[
A_{32} = \frac{1}{24(2i\omega + \sqrt{2})} \left[ A_{22} \right] + A_{33}
\]

\[
A_{31} = \frac{1}{64} \frac{1 + \frac{\omega^3}{2}}{\omega(2i\omega + \sqrt{2})} \left[ A_{21} \right] + \frac{1}{240(2i\omega + \sqrt{2})(1 + \frac{\omega^3}{2})} \left[ A_{32} \right] + A_{33}
\]

\[
A_{33} = \frac{1}{5} \left( 2i\omega^3 + \sqrt{2} \omega t \right) + \frac{t^6}{4}
\]

\[
A_{31} = \left( -16i\omega^3 - 8\sqrt{2}\omega t + \frac{t^4}{4} \right) (-16i\omega^3)
\]

\[
A_{31} = \left( -8\sqrt{2}\omega t + \frac{32}{3} (i\omega t + 32\sqrt{2}\omega t^3
- 128\pi \delta(\omega)\omega t + 192\sqrt{2}\pi \delta(\omega)\omega t^3 + 128\pi \delta(\omega)\omega t) \right]
\]

\[
A_{32} = \left( 96\sqrt{2}\omega^3 \sqrt{2} - 42\sqrt{2}\omega t^3 + 192\sqrt{2}\omega^3 e^{-\frac{1}{2}}
- 2\sqrt{2}\omega t^3 \right)
\]

\[
A_{32} = \left( +4i\omega t^3 + 72\sqrt{2}\omega t + 96i\omega^3 e^{-\frac{1}{2}}
- 48\sqrt{2}\omega t \ln(e^{-\frac{1}{2}}) - i\omega t^4 - \frac{i\omega t^4}{2} \right)
\]

\[
A_{31} = \left( +32i\omega^3 \ln(e^{-\frac{1}{2}}) + 192\omega^3 e^{-\frac{1}{2}} - 36i\omega t^3
+ 96i\omega t + 48i\omega^3 t^3 - 32i\omega^3 \ln(e^{-\frac{1}{2}}) \right)
\]

\[
A_{32} = \left( -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \omega t^4 + 96\sqrt{2}\omega t - \frac{\sqrt{2}\omega t^4}{4} - 48i\omega^3 t^3 - 192\sqrt{2}\omega^3 - 96i\omega^5 + 72\sqrt{2}\pi \delta(\omega)\omega t^3
- 48\pi \delta(\omega)\omega t + 48\pi \delta(\omega)\omega t - 192i\omega^4 \right)
\]
Table 4: shows: the percentage of relative errors of the results of $u_0(x,t)$ to $u_a(x,t)$ of the FTVIM solution of Eq. 51

| Percentage of Relative Error (%RE) |
|-----------------------------------|
|-----------------------------------|
| $x = 1$                           |
| $t = 0.1$                         |
| $u_0(x,t)$:                        |
| 0.05428854092                    |
| $u_1(x,t)$:                        |
| 0.001141648184                   |
| $u_2(x,t)$:                        |
| 0.0000191066097                  |
| $u_3(x,t)$:                        |
| 2.389927040 e-7                  |
| $u_4(x,t)$:                        |
| 2.448309812 e-9                  |
| $u_s(x,t)$:                        |
| 5.64994572 e-10                  |
| $t = 0.4$                         |
| $u_0(x,t)$:                        |
| 0.1498855718                     |
| $u_1(x,t)$:                        |
| 0.01548784334                   |
| $u_2(x,t)$:                        |
| 0.00005299093855                |
| $u_3(x,t)$:                        |
| 2.395827040 e-7                  |
| $u_4(x,t)$:                        |
| 2.448309812 e-9                  |
| $u_s(x,t)$:                        |
| 7.143941207 e-8                  |
| $t = 0.7$                         |
| $u_0(x,t)$:                        |
| 0.2231418390                     |
| $u_1(x,t)$:                        |
| 0.04132309083                   |
| $u_2(x,t)$:                        |
| 0.00001323500257                |
| $u_3(x,t)$:                        |
| 2.25415250                      |
| $u_4(x,t)$:                        |
| 2.25415250                      |
| $u_s(x,t)$:                        |
| 7.130629992 e-7                  |

The rest of the components were obtained using the Maple package. Using the Maple package the inverse Fourier transform of Eq. 55 is:

$$A_{11} = -\frac{1}{2} + \sqrt{2}e^{-\frac{x}{2}} - \frac{1}{2}e^{-x} - \frac{1}{2}$$

$$i\alpha\left(3 - e^{-t} + 4e^{-\frac{t}{2}} - 2\ln\left(e^{-\frac{t}{2}}\right)\right)$$

The rest of the components were obtained using the Maple package. Using the Maple package the inverse Fourier transform of Eq. 55 is:

$$u_0 = 1 - e^{-\frac{x}{\sqrt{t}}}$$

$$u_1 = 1 - e^{-\frac{x}{\sqrt{t}}} + \frac{1}{2}e^{-\frac{x}{\sqrt{t}}t}$$

$$u_2 = 1 - e^{-\frac{x}{\sqrt{t}}} + \frac{1}{2}e^{-\frac{x}{\sqrt{t}}t} - \frac{1}{8}e^{-\frac{x}{\sqrt{t}}t^2}$$

$$u_3 = 1 - e^{-\frac{x}{\sqrt{t}}} + \frac{1}{2}e^{-\frac{x}{\sqrt{t}}t} - \frac{1}{8}e^{-\frac{x}{\sqrt{t}}t^2} + \frac{1}{48}e^{-\frac{x}{\sqrt{t}}t^3}$$

And so on. The Taylor series expansion for $u(x,t) = 1 - e^{-\frac{x}{\sqrt{t}}}$ is written as:

$$1 - e^{-\frac{x}{\sqrt{t}}} = 1 - \frac{1}{2}e^{-\frac{x}{\sqrt{t}}} + \frac{1}{2}e^{-\frac{x}{\sqrt{t}}t} - \frac{1}{8}e^{-\frac{x}{\sqrt{t}}t^2} + \frac{1}{48}e^{-\frac{x}{\sqrt{t}}t^3} + ...$$

Substituting Eq. 57 into Eq. 56, the closed form solution of Eq. 51 is given by Eq. 58:

$$u(x,t) = 1 - e^{\frac{x}{\sqrt{t}}}$$

This is the exact solution of the problem, Eq. 51. In the following, Table 4, we have shown the trend of convergence of the results of $u_0(x,t)$ to $u_a(x,t)$ of the FTVIM solutions of Eq. 51 towards the exact solution. Table 4 shows the percentage of relative errors of the results of $u_0(x,t)$ to $u_a(x,t)$ of the FTVIM solution of Eq. 51 at different locations along the x axis and at different times. The trend of very rapid convergence, the relative error of 0.0002%, of the solution towards the exact solution is clearly shown.

**DISCUSSION**

**Case study:** The Cauchy reaction-diffusion equation expresses the mathematical models of the influence of the chemical reaction which the substances are transformed into each other and the diffusion which the substances are dispersed over a surface in space. This equation has wide applications in chemical engineering, biology, geology, ecology and physics.

We solve four one-dimensional transient and non-homogeneous linear and nonlinear partial differential equations, the Cauchy reaction-diffusion problem, to demonstrate the effectiveness and the validity of the present method, FTVIM, in the entire range of problem domain. The validity and effectiveness of the new method are shown in Table 1-4 by solving four linear and nonlinear non-homogenous differential equations of Cauchy reaction-diffusion problem. Moreover, the very rapid convergence to the exact solutions is verified mathematically. The very rapid convergence towards
the exact solutions shown in tables 1-4 using the new method, FTVIM, indicates that the amount of computational work is much less than the computational work required for both the previous VIMs and the modified VIMs. Ultimately, the deficiency of the previous VIMs caused by unsatisfied boundary conditions is overcome by the new method (FTVIM) where, the solution is shown to be valid in the entire range of problem domain.

CONCLUSION

In this study a new effective modification to the VIM, the Fourier transform variational iteration method (FTVIM), is proposed. The new modification to the VIM is the combination of the Fourier transform and variational iteration method. The validity and effectiveness of the new method is shown by solving four linear and nonlinear non-homogenous differential equations of Cauchy reaction-diffusion problem and the very rapid convergence to the exact solutions is verified mathematically. The very rapid convergence towards the exact solutions using the new method, FTVIM, indicates that the amount of computational work is much less than the computational work required for both the previous VIMs and the modified VIMs. Moreover, the deficiency of the previous VIMs caused by unsatisfied boundary conditions is overcome by the new method (FTVIM) where, the solution is shown to be valid in the entire range of problem domain. Therefore, it is concluded that the FTVIM can be considered as a powerful and efficient tool in obtaining the accurate solutions to both linear and nonlinear partial differential equations as well as other effective numerical methods.

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