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A High-Order Weakly L-Stable Time Integration Scheme with an Application to Burgers’ Equation

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Abstract: In this paper, we propose a 7th order weakly L-stable time integration scheme. In the process of derivation of the scheme, we use explicit backward Taylor’s polynomial approximation of sixth-order and Hermite interpolation polynomial approximation of fifth order. We apply this formula in the vector form in order to solve Burger’s equation, which is a simplified form of Navier-Stokes equation. The literature survey reveals that several methods fail to capture the solutions in the presence of inconsistency and for small values of viscosity, e.g., $10^{-3}$, whereas the present scheme produces highly accurate results. To check the effectiveness of the scheme, we examine it over six test problems and generate several tables and figures. All of the calculations are executed with the help of Mathematica 11.3. The stability and convergence of the scheme are also discussed.

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1. Introduction

Burgers’ equation with $\nu_d$ as coefficient of viscosity can be defined as

$$\frac{\partial \omega}{\partial t} + \omega \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial x} - \nu_d \frac{\partial^2 \omega}{\partial x^2} = 0, \quad (x,t) \in \Sigma_T,$$

where

$$\Sigma_T = (a_0, a_1) \times (0, T], \quad T > 0,$$

with boundary conditions (BCs),

$$\omega(a_i, t) = 0, \quad i = 0, 1, \text{ and } t \in (0, T], \quad \text{(Dirichlet BCs)}$$

and initial condition (IC),

$$\omega(x, 0) = f(x), \quad x \in (a_0, a_1).$$

Linearized form of Burgers’ equation (by using Hopf-Cole transformation) is given as

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = \nu_d \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2},$$

with the Neumann boundary conditions (BCs),

$$\psi_x(a_i, t) = 0, \quad i = 0, 1,$$

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and the initial condition (IC),
\[ \psi(x, 0) = g(x). \]

Burgers’ equation is a very simple form of the Navier–Stokes equation and it always attracted researchers due to its occurrence in several areas of physics and applied mathematics, like fluid mechanics, gas dynamics, traffic flow, in the theory of shock waves, and nonlinear acoustics. Firstly, it originated from Bateman [1] in 1915. Later, in 1948, JM Burgers studied it as a class of equation [2,3] to mathematically delineate the turbulence model. Recently, in 2019, Ryu et al. [4] proposed some nowcasting rainfall models that are based on Burger’s equation. Existence and uniqueness of the solution of Equation (1) and its generalized form can be found in [5–7].

Recently, due to the availability of high-speed computers, activities that are related to the computation of numerical solution has increased. Özis et al. [8] used finite element approach to solve Burgers’ equation. Dogan [9] proposed a Galerkin finite element method to solve Burgers’ equation. A quadratic and cubic spline collocation method was developed in the paper [10–13]. Elgindy et al. [14] developed a higher-order numerical scheme by using Hopf-Cole barycentric Gegenbauer integral pseudospectral method. Korkmaz et al. [15] and Jiwari et al. [16] established polynomial based and weighted average based differential quadrature scheme, respectively to solve Burgers’ equation. Verma et al. [17,18] developed a two-level three-point finite difference scheme that are unconditionally stable to solve Burgers’ equation. Hassanien et al. [19] developed a two-level three-point finite difference scheme of order 2 in time and order 4 in space to solve Burgers’ equation. Wavelet-based numerical schemes have been developed in [20,21]. Chebyshev collocation method was used in [22–24] in order to solve Burgers’ equation, Volterra–Fredholm integral equation, and Riemann-Liouville and Riesz fractional advection-dispersion problems, respectively. Gowrisankar et al. [25] studied singularly perturbed Burgers’ equation.

A well known scheme for diffusion equation is Crank–Nicolson (CN) [26–29]. CN is a second-order scheme based on Trapezoidal formula which is A-stable but not L-stable. In the presence of inconsistencies [30] or when time step taken is large [27], CN produces unwanted oscillations. As an alternative to CN, Chawla et al. [31] proposed generalized Trapezoidal formula (GTF(\(\alpha\))) with \(\alpha > 0\), which is L-stable and gives stable results. Chawla et al. [32] proposed a modified Simpson’s 1/3 rule (ASIMP), which is A-stable, and used it to give fourth-order time integration formula for diffusion equation, but it suffers from producing unwanted oscillations like CN as it lacks L-stability. To remove these unwanted oscillations, Chawla et al. [33], Lajja et al. [34], and Verma et al. [35] proposed and analyzed various types of L-stable methods, which provides accurate and stable results.

The Burger’s Equation (1) subject to some BCs and IC has an exact solution in the form of Fourier series, which does not converge for small values of viscosity. Hence, it always attracts researchers to test newly developed numerical methods on this nonlinear parabolic PDE.

Here, we derive 7th order time integration formula that is weakly L-stable and generalize the results presented in [33,35]. The issue of slow convergence of series solution for small \(\nu_d\) forces analytical solution of Equation (1) to diverge from the true solution and, hence, for small values of \(\nu_d\), it is not easy to compute the solutions. The newly developed method computes the solution even for small \(\nu_d\). Additionally, it provides satisfactory results in the case of inconsistencies.

We discuss truncation error, stability in detail, in order to show that the developed scheme is convergent. We use software Mathematica 11.3 to compute the solution and Origin 8.5 for the plotting purpose.

The remainder of this article is constructed, as follows. In Section 2, we give close form solution, which we use to compute the exact solution. In Section 3, we derive a higher-order time integration method for \(u'(t) = f(t, u)\). In Section 4, we derive a numerical scheme for the Burgers’ equation. In Section 5, we illustrate the numerical results with tables and two-dimensional (2D)–three-dimensional (3D) graphs.
2. Preliminary

Hopf [36] and Cole [37] suggested that the Equation (1) can be transformed in the form given by
\[
\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = \nu \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2},
\]
with the Neumann BCs
\[
\psi_x(a_i, t) = 0, \quad a_i = i, \quad i = 0, 1,
\]
and the IC
\[
\psi(x, 0) = g(x),
\]
by non-linear transformation (Equations (21) and (22), [37])
\[
\phi = -\nu d (\log \psi), \quad \phi = \phi(x, t),
\]
and
\[
\omega = \phi_x.
\]
Equation (5) can be analytically solved and the solution is given by
\[
\psi(x, t) = \beta_0 + \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \beta_l \exp\left(-\frac{\nu d l^2 \pi^2 t}{2}\right) \cos(l \pi x),
\]
where \(\beta_0\) and \(\beta_l\) are the Fourier coefficients that are given by
\[
\beta_0 = \int_0^1 \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\nu d} \int_0^x \omega_0(\xi) d\xi\right) dx,
\]
\[
\beta_l = 2 \int_0^1 \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\nu d} \int_0^x \omega_0(\xi) d\xi\right) \cos(l \pi x) dx,
\]
where \(\omega_0(\xi) = \omega(\xi, 0)\) and the analytical solution \(\omega(x, t)\) of (1) is represented by (Equation (46), [37])
\[
\omega(x, t) = \pi \nu d \frac{\sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \beta_l \exp\left(-\frac{\nu d l^2 \pi^2 t}{2}\right) l \sin(l \pi x)}{\beta_0 + \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \beta_l \exp\left(-\frac{\nu d l^2 \pi^2 t}{2}\right) \cos(l \pi x)}.
\]

3. Illustration of the Proposed Method

We examine the following initial value problem
\[
u'(t) = f(t, u), \quad u(t_0) = \eta_0.
\]
The eighth order convergent Newton–Cotes time integration formula is given by
\[
u_{n+1} = u_n + \frac{h}{8 \beta_0} \left( 41 f_n + 216 f_{n+1/6} + 27 f_{n+2/6} + 272 f_{n+3/6} + 27 f_{n+4/6} + 216 f_{n+5/6} + 41 f_{n+1} \right) + O(h^9).
\]
Now, we use the fifth order Hermite approximation for \(u_{n+1/6}, u_{n+2/6}, u_{n+3/6}, u_{n+4/6}, u_{n+5/6}\), which are given by
Hence, the time integral formula (13) for the interval \([t_n, t_{n+1}]\) takes the following form

\[
u_{n+1} = \nu_n + \frac{h}{840} \left( 41\nu_n + 216\nabla^2 u_{n+1/6} + 27\nabla^3 u_{n+1/6} + 272\nabla^4 u_{n+3/6} + 27\nabla^4 u_{n+4/6} + 216\nabla^5 u_{n+5/6} + 41\nabla^6 u_{n+1} \right). \tag{29}
\]
3.1. Local Truncation Error

By applying Taylor’s series expansion, we have

\[
\begin{align*}
 u_{n+1/6} &= \frac{1}{15552} \left[ 15000u_n + 552u_{n+1} + 2250hu'_n - 210hu''_{n+1} + 125h^2u'''_n \\
 & \quad + 25h^2u''''_{n+1} \right] - \frac{25h^6}{6718464}u^{vi}_n - \frac{475h^7}{282175488}u^{vii}_n + O(h^8), \quad (30) \\
 u_{n+2/6} &= \frac{1}{243} \left[ 192u_n + 51u_{n+1} + 48hu'_n - 18hu''_{n+1} + 4h^2u'''_n + 2h^2u''''_{n+1} \right] \\
 & \quad - \frac{h^6}{65610}u^{vi}_n - \frac{h^7}{137781}u^{vii}_n + O(h^8), \quad (31) \\
 u_{n+3/6} &= \frac{1}{64} \left[ 32u_n + 32u_{n+1} + 10hu'_n - 10hu''_{n+1} + h^2u'''_n + h^2u''''_{n+1} \right] \\
 & \quad - \frac{h^6}{46080}u^{vi}_n - \frac{h^7}{92160}u^{vii}_n + O(h^8), \quad (32) \\
 u_{n+4/6} &= \frac{1}{243} \left[ 51u_n + 192y_{n+1} + 18hu'_n - 48hu''_{n+1} + 2h^2u'''_n + 4h^2u''''_{n+1} \right] \\
 & \quad - \frac{h^6}{65610}u^{vi}_n - \frac{11h^7}{137781}u^{vii}_n + O(h^8), \quad (33) \\
 u_{n+5/6} &= \frac{1}{15552} \left[ 552u_n + 15000u_{n+1} + 210hu'_n - 2250hu''_{n+1} + 25h^2u'''_n \\
 & \quad + 125h^2u''''_{n+1} \right] - \frac{25h^6}{6718464}u^{vi}_n - \frac{575h^7}{282175488}u^{vii}_n + O(h^8), \quad (34) \\
 u_n &= u_{n+1} - hu'_n + \frac{h^2}{2}u''_{n+1} - \frac{h^3}{6}u'''_{n+1} + \frac{h^4}{24}u^{iv}_{n+1} - \frac{h^5}{120}u^{v}_{n+1} - \frac{h^6}{720}u^{vi}_n \\
 & \quad - \frac{h^7}{840}u^{vii}_n + O(h^8), \quad (35) \\
\end{align*}
\]

then it follows that

\[
\begin{align*}
 u_{n+1/6} &= \frac{u_n}{15552} + \frac{425h^7}{282175488}u^{vii}_n + O(h^8), \quad (36) \\
 u_{n+2/6} &= \frac{u_n}{243} + \frac{4h^7}{688995}u^{vii}_n + O(h^8), \quad (37) \\
 u_{n+3/6} &= \frac{u_n}{64} + \frac{h^7}{129024}u^{vii}_n + O(h^8), \quad (38) \\
 u_{n+4/6} &= \frac{u_n}{243} + \frac{h^7}{196830}u^{vii}_n + O(h^8), \quad (39) \\
 u_{n+5/6} &= \frac{u_n}{15552} + \frac{325h^7}{282175488}u^{vii}_n + O(h^8). \quad (40) \\
\end{align*}
\]

Also, we have

\[
\begin{align*}
 u_{n+1} &= u_n + \frac{h^4}{840} \left[ 41f_n + 216f_{n+1/6} + 27f_{n+2/6} + 272f_{n+3/6} + 27f_{n+4/6} \\
 & \quad + 216f_{n+5/6} + 41f_{n+1} \right] - \frac{h^8u^{(9)}}{1567641600}, \quad (41) \\
\end{align*}
\]

From all of the above, we deduce that

\[
\begin{align*}
 u_{n+1} &= u_n + \frac{h^4}{840} \left[ 41f_n + 216f_{n+1/6} + 27f_{n+2/6} + 272f_{n+3/6} + 27f_{n+4/6} \\
 & \quad + 216f_{n+5/6} + 41f_{n+1} + t_u(h), \quad (42) \\
\end{align*}
\]
where \( t_n(h) = O(h^8) \).

Thus, the scheme (29) is seventh order convergent. Accordingly, the order of the proposed method is reduced by one, but it is weakly stable, which is a great advantage.

3.2. Stability of the Proposed Formula

Consider the test problem
\[
u'(t) = -\lambda u(t), \quad \lambda > 0,
\]
and assume \( s = h\lambda \), then we have
\[
u_{n+1} = \Psi(s) \nu_n,
\]
where
\[
\Psi(s) = \frac{540 \left( 840 - 414s + 84s^2 - 7s^3 \right)}{453600 + 230040s + 48600s^2 + 5480s^3 + 540s^4 + 135s^5 + 27s^6}.
\]

From Figure 1, it can be seen that \( \Psi(s) \geq 1 \) and, hence, our scheme is not \( A \)-stable. Since \( \Psi(s) \to 0 \) as \( s \to \infty \), the scheme is weakly \( L \)-stable (see [35]).

![Figure 1. Root of characteristic equation.](image)

3.3. Stability Region

To find the boundary of the stability region, we apply the boundary locus method (p. 64, Chapter 7, Ref. [38]). It can be easily seen that, outside of the region (see Figure 2), it is unconditionally stable.
4. Application on the Burgers’ Equation

4.1. The Numerical Scheme

Here, we consider solution space with uniform nodes expressed as $\Sigma_{i,j} = \{(x_i, t_j) : i = 0(1)N, j = 0(1)M\}$. For that, we partition the interval $[\alpha_0, \alpha_1]$ into $N$ (a positive integer) equal sub intervals with the spatial point $x_i = i\Delta x$, $i = 0(1)N$, where $\Delta x$ is the spatial step.

Additionally, dividing the interval $[0, T]$ into $M$ equal subintervals with the temporal point $t_j = j\tau$, $j = 0(1)M$, where $\tau = T/M$ and $M$ is a positive integer.

Now, define $\psi_i(t) = \psi(x_i, t)$ and consider equation (5) and compute the solution $\psi(x_i, t)$ for a given $t$ and for $x_i$ on $[\alpha_0, \alpha_1]$. We use (8)–(9) to deduce the following formula for computing the $\omega(x_i, t_j)$

$$\omega(x_i, t_j) = \left( -\frac{\nu d}{24\Delta x^2} \right) \left( \frac{\psi(x_i + \Delta x, t_j) - \psi(x_i, t_j) - \psi(x_i - \Delta x, t_j) + \psi(x_i - 2\Delta x, t_j) - \psi(x_i + 2\Delta x, t_j)}{12\Delta x^2} \right).$$

Now we approximate second order spatial derivative by fourth order central finite difference formula which is given by

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi(x, t)}{\partial x^2} \approx \frac{16(\psi(x + \Delta x, t) + \psi(x - \Delta x, t)) - 30\psi(x, t) - (\psi(x + 2\Delta x, t) + \psi(x - 2\Delta x, t))}{12\Delta x^2},$$

and convert the linearized Burgers’ equation into an initial value problem in vector form.

Now, we apply the above finite difference discretization on (5) with the Neumann boundary conditions

$$\psi_x(\alpha_i, t) = 0, \ i = 0, 1,$$

we get the following equation

$$\frac{\partial \Psi(t)}{\partial t} = -\frac{\nu d}{24\Delta x^2} D\Psi(t),$$

(45)
where \( \Psi(t) = [\psi_0(t), \psi_1(t), \psi_2(t), ..., \psi_N(t)]^T \) and \( D \) is the \((N + 1) \times (N + 1)\) pentadiagonal matrix given by

\[
D = \begin{pmatrix}
30 & -32 & 2 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\
-16 & 31 & -16 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\
1 & -16 & 30 & -16 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\
\vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -16 & 30 & -16 & 1 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -16 & 31 & -16 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & -32 & 30
\end{pmatrix}
\]

(46)

and \( \Psi(0) = [g(x_0), g(x_1), g(x_2), ..., g(x_N)] \).

Let \( \rho = \nu_0 \tau / 24 \Delta x^2 \), then applying the time integration formula on the initial value problem (45), we obtain

\[
\Psi_{j+1} = \Psi_j - \frac{\rho}{840} D \left( 41 \Psi_j + 216 \Psi_{j+1/6} + 27 \Psi_{j+2/6} + 272 \Psi_{j+3/6} + 27 \Psi_{j+4/6} + 216 \Psi_{j+5/6} + 41 \Psi_{j+1} \right),
\]

(47)

where

\[
\Psi_{j+1/6} = \frac{1}{46656} \left[ (44875 I - 6750 \rho D + 375 \rho^2 D^2) \right] \Psi_j + \left( 1781 I + 755 \rho D \right.
+ 275 \rho^2 D^2 + 125 \left( \frac{D^3}{6} + \frac{\rho^4 D^4}{24} + \frac{\rho^5 D^5}{120} \right) \left. \Psi_{j+1} \right],
\]

(48)

\[
\Psi_{j+2/6} = \frac{1}{729} \left[ (568 I - 144 \rho D + 12 \rho^2 D^2) \Psi_j + \left( 161 I + 62 \rho D + 10 \rho^2 D^2 \right.
+ 8 \left( \frac{\rho^3 D^3}{6} + \frac{\rho^4 D^4}{24} + \frac{\rho^5 D^5}{120} \right) \Psi_{j+1} \right],
\]

(49)

\[
\Psi_{j+3/6} = \frac{1}{64} \left[ \left( 31 I - 10 \rho D + \rho^2 D^2 \right) \Psi_j + \left( 33 I + 11 \rho D + \frac{3}{2} \rho^2 D^2 + \left( \frac{D^3}{6} \right. \right.
+ \frac{\rho^4 D^4}{24} + \frac{\rho^5 D^5}{120} \left. \right) \Psi_{j+1} \right],
\]

(50)

\[
\Psi_{j+4/6} = \frac{1}{729} \left[ (145 I - 54 \rho D + 6 \rho^2 D^2) \Psi_j + \left( 584 I + 152 \rho D + 20 \rho^2 D^2 \right.
+ \frac{8}{5} \left( \frac{\rho^3 D^3}{6} + \frac{\rho^4 D^4}{24} + \frac{\rho^5 D^5}{120} \right) \Psi_{j+1} \right],
\]

(51)

\[
\Psi_{j+5/6} = \frac{1}{46656} \left[ \left( 1531 I - 630 \rho D + 75 \rho^2 D^2 \right) \Psi_j + \left( 45125 I + 6875 \rho D \right.
+ \frac{875}{2} \rho^2 D^2 + 125 \left( \frac{D^3}{6} + \frac{\rho^4 D^4}{24} + \frac{\rho^5 D^5}{120} \right) \Psi_{j+1} \right].
\]

(52)

Now, we use the above defined \( \Psi_{j+1/6}, \Psi_{j+2/6}, \Psi_{j+3/6}, \Psi_{j+4/6}, \Psi_{j+5/6} \) in Equation (47) and deduce our final formula used to compute numerical solutions

\[
(453600 I + 2300 \rho D + 48600 \rho^2 D^2 + 5480 \rho^3 D^3 + 540 \rho^4 D^4 + 135 \rho^5 D^5 + 27 \rho^6 D^6) \Psi_{j+1}
= 540(840 I - 414 \rho D + 84 \rho^2 D^2 - 7 \rho^3 D^3) \Psi_j.
\]

(53)

This method is of order \( O(\Delta x^4) + O(\tau^7) \). By using (47), we can compute \( w_{ij} \) is computed at different \( x_i \)'s for a given time level \( t_j \). The physical properties of the solutions are discussed later in the form of figures and tables.
4.2. Stability Analysis

Equation (47) can be written as

$$\Psi_{j+1} = P\Psi_j,$$

where

$$P = \frac{540(840I - 414\rho D + 84\rho^2 D^2 - 7\rho^3 D^3)}{(453600I + 230040\rho D + 48600\rho^2 D^2 + 5480\rho^3 D^3 + 540\rho^4 D^4 + 135\rho^5 D^5 + 27\rho^6 D^6)},$$

$$L_1^{-1}L_2, \text{ (say), (54)}$$

where

$$L_1 = (453600I + 230040\rho D + 48600\rho^2 D^2 + 5480\rho^3 D^3 + 540\rho^4 D^4 + 135\rho^5 D^5 + 27\rho^6 D^6)$$

$$L_2 = 540(840I - 414\rho D + 84\rho^2 D^2 - 7\rho^3 D^3).$$

**Lemma 1.** The matrix $P$ is similar to a symmetric matrix.

**Proof.** Let us introduce a diagonal matrix

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 1 & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 1 & \sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix},$$

such that

$$D = Q^{-1}DQ,$$

i.e., $D$ is similar to a symmetric matrix $\tilde{D}$.

Now, we will show that $P$ is similar to symmetric matrix. Let

$$\tilde{P} = Q^{-1}PQ = Q^{-1}L_1^{-1}L_2Q = [Q^{-1}L_1^{-1}Q][Q^{-1}L_2Q]$$

$$= [Q^{-1}L_1Q]^{-1}[Q^{-1}L_2Q] = L_1^{-1}L_2.$$

$$L_1 = (453600I + 230040\rho D + 48600\rho^2 D^2 + 5480\rho^3 D^3 + 540\rho^4 D^4 + 135\rho^5 D^5 + 27\rho^6 D^6)$$

$$L_2 = 540(840I - 414\rho D + 84\rho^2 D^2 - 7\rho^3 D^3)$$

but matrices $L_1^{-1}$ and $L_2$ are symmetric and commute and therefore $P$ is similar to a symmetric matrix $\tilde{P}$ and therefore all the eigenvalues of the matrix $P$ are real. □

**Lemma 2.** All of the eigenvalues of the matrix $D$ are non-negative.

**Proof.** Let $V = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, ..., v_{N+1}\}$ be the eigen vectors of the matrix $D$ corresponding to the eigenvalue $\lambda_j$. Subsequently, we have

$$\begin{align*}
(30 - \lambda_1)v_1 - 32v_2 + 2v_3 &= 0, \\
-16v_1 + (31 - \lambda_1)v_2 - 16v_3 + v_4 &= 0, \\
v_{j-2} - 16v_{j-1} + (30 - \lambda_1)v_j - 16v_{j+1} + v_{j+2} &= 0, & j &= 2, 3, 4, ..., N - 1, \\
v_{N-2} - 16v_{N-1} + (31 - \lambda_1)v_N - 16v_{N+1} &= 0, \\
2v_{N-1} - 32v_N + (30 - \lambda_1)v_{N+1} &= 0.
\end{align*}$$

(55)  
(56)  
(57)  
(58)  
(59)
We set \( v_1 = v_{-1}, \) \( v_0 = v_2, \) \( v_N = v_{N+2}, \) \( v_{N-1} = v_{N+3} \) then we get fourth order difference equation

\[
v_{j-2} - 16v_{j-1} + (30 - \lambda_l)v_j - 16v_{j+1} + v_{j+2} = 0, \quad j = 1, 2, \ldots, N + 1,
\]

(60)

with the BCs \( v_1 = v_{-1}, \) \( v_0 = v_2, \) \( v_N = v_{N+2}, \) \( v_{N-1} = v_{N+3}. \) The characteristic equation of the Equation (60) is \( \mu^4 - 16\mu^3 + (30 - \lambda_l)\mu^2 - 16\mu + 1 = 0. \) Assume \( m_1, m_2, m_3, m_4 \) are the characteristic roots, then we have

\[
\begin{align*}
m_1 + m_2 + m_3 + m_4 &= 16, \\
m_1m_2 + m_1m_3 + m_2m_3 + m_2m_4 + m_3m_4 &= (30 - \lambda_l), \\
m_1m_2m_3 + m_1m_3m_4 + m_2m_3m_4 + m_1m_2m_4 &= 16, \\
m_1m_2m_3m_4 &= 1,
\end{align*}
\]

and the solution is given by \( v_j = C_1m_1^l + C_2m_2^l + C_3m_3^l + C_4m_4^l. \) Let \( m_1 = \rho e^{i\theta} \) then setting \( r = 1, \) gives \( \lambda_l = 30 + 2\cos 2\theta - 32\cos \theta. \) Using Equations (55) and (59) we get \( \theta = (2l + 1)(\pi/2N), \) \( l = 0, 1, 2, \ldots, N. \) Since \( V \) is the non trivial vector satisfying \( D V = \lambda_l V, \) therefore the eigen values of \( D \) are \( \lambda_l = 30 + \cos((2l + 1)\pi/2N) - 32\cos((2l + 1)\pi/2N), \) \( l = 0(1)N. \) Additionally, it can be shown that \( \lambda_l \geq 0, \forall l. \)

Now, let the matrix \( P \) has the spectral radius \( \rho(P), \) then

\[ \rho(P) = \rho(\bar{P}), \]

and it is given by

\[ \rho(P) \leq \max |\mu_l|, \]

where \( \mu_l (l = 0, 1, 2, \ldots, N) \) are the eigenvalues of the matrix \( L_1^{-1}L_2 \) and therefore

\[
\mu_l = \frac{4536001 + 230040\rho\lambda_l + 48600\rho^2\lambda_l^2 + 5480\rho^3\lambda_l^3 + 540\rho^4\lambda_l^4 + 135\rho^5\lambda_l^5 + 27\rho^6\lambda_l^6)}{540(8401 - 414\rho\lambda_l + 84\rho^2\lambda_l^2 - 7\rho^3\lambda_l^3)}
\]

\[ l = 0, 1, 2, \ldots, N. \]

It is clear that the eigen value \( \mu_l \leq 1 \) for all possible values of \( \rho > 0 \) and, hence, the method is unconditionally stable. By applying Taylors series expansion, consistency can also be proved easily.

5. Numerical Experiment

To confirm the effectiveness of the proposed weakly \( \mu \)-stable scheme, we apply it to some examples and compute the numerical solutions and depict them in tables and figures. To check the accuracy of the proposed scheme, we also analyze the following type of errors

(i) Mean root square error norm \( (L_2) \)

\[
L_2 \text{ error} = \sqrt{\Delta x \sum_{j=0}^{N} \left| \omega_{j}^{exact} - (\omega_{j}^{num.}) \right|^2},
\]

(61)

and

(ii) Maximum error norm \( (L_{\infty}) \)

\[
L_{\infty} \text{ error} = \max_{j} \left| \omega_{j}^{exact} - (\omega_{j}^{num.}) \right|,\]

(62)
where $\omega^{\text{num}}$ is numerical solution by present method and $\omega^{\text{exact}}$ is the exact solution and $j$ indicates solution at $j$th grid point.

5.1. Example 1

Consider the Equation (1) with Dirichlet BCs

$$\omega(\alpha_i, t) = 0, \quad \alpha_i = i, \quad i = 0, 1 \quad \text{and} \quad t \in (0, T],$$

and IC

$$\omega(x, 0) = \sin(\pi x), \quad x \in (0, 1),$$

where $\nu_d$ is the coefficient of viscosity. Using the transformation

$$\omega(x, t) = -\frac{\nu_d \phi_x}{\phi},$$

Equation (1) is transformed into

$$\phi_t = \frac{\nu_d}{2} \phi_{xx}, \quad x \in (0, 1), t > 0,$$

with IC and BCs

$$\phi(x, 0) = \exp\left(\frac{1}{\pi \nu_d} (\cos \pi x - 1)\right),$$

$$\phi_x(\alpha_i, t) = 0, \quad \alpha_i = i, \quad i = 0, 1 \quad \text{and} \quad t > 0.$$

The solution of the above initial boundary value problem is defined by Equation (11), where

$$\beta_0 = \int_0^1 \exp\left(\frac{1}{\pi \nu_d} (\cos \pi x - 1)\right) dx,$$

$$\beta_1 = 2 \int_0^1 \exp\left(\frac{1}{\pi \nu_d} (\cos \pi x - 1) \cos l \pi x\right) dx.$$
Table 1. Computed results and analytical results at different $T$ with $\nu_d = 2, \tau = 0.0001$ and $\Delta x = 0.0125$ for problem 5.1.

| $x$ | $T = 0.001$ | $T = 0.01$ | $T = 0.1$ |
|-----|-------------|------------|------------|
|     | $\omega_{\text{exact}}$ | $\omega_{\text{num.}}$ | $\omega_{\text{exact}}$ | $\omega_{\text{num.}}$ | $\omega_{\text{exact}}$ | $\omega_{\text{num.}}$ |
| 1/10 | 0.305088 | 0.304976 | 0.273239 | 0.273145 | 0.109538 | 0.109509 |
| 2/10 | 0.580565 | 0.580361 | 0.521564 | 0.521393 | 0.209792 | 0.209737 |
| 3/10 | 0.79621 | 0.799363 | 0.721852 | 0.721630 | 0.291896 | 0.291820 |
| 4/10 | 0.940817 | 0.940545 | 0.854590 | 0.854348 | 0.347924 | 0.347834 |
| 5/10 | 0.990174 | 0.989926 | 0.905713 | 0.905483 | 0.37177 | 0.371482 |
| 6/10 | 0.942609 | 0.942407 | 0.868334 | 0.868137 | 0.359046 | 0.358954 |
| 7/10 | 0.802522 | 0.802375 | 0.740998 | 0.740949 | 0.309905 | 0.309827 |
| 8/10 | 0.583466 | 0.583373 | 0.543821 | 0.543723 | 0.227817 | 0.227760 |
| 9/10 | 0.306881 | 0.306837 | 0.286999 | 0.286951 | 0.120687 | 0.120656 |

$L_{\infty}$ error $2.71275 \times 10^{-4}$ $2.413 \times 10^{-4}$ $9.54852 \times 10^{-5}$

$L_2$ error $6.41526 \times 10^{-5}$ $5.82562 \times 10^{-5}$ $2.27535 \times 10^{-5}$

Table 2. Comparison with existing results by present results for $\Delta x = 0.0125, \nu_d = 0.2, \tau = 0.0001$ at different value of $T$ for problem 5.1.

| $x$ | $T$ | FEM [39] | Asai [40] | $\omega_{\text{num.}}$ | $\omega_{\text{exact}}$ |
|-----|-----|----------|-----------|----------------|----------------|
| 1/4 | 0.4 | 0.31215 | 0.30891 | 0.3087531 | 0.30889 |
|     | 0.6 | 0.24360 | 0.24076 | 0.2406489 | 0.24074 |
|     | 0.8 | 0.19815 | 0.19570 | 0.1956120 | 0.19568 |
|     | 1   | 0.16473 | 0.16259 | 0.1625168 | 0.16256 |
|     | 3   | 0.02771 | 0.02722 | 0.0271953 | 0.02720 |
| 2/4 | 0.4 | 0.57293 | 0.56970 | 0.5694998 | 0.56963 |
|     | 0.6 | 0.45088 | 0.44728 | 0.4470928 | 0.44721 |
|     | 0.8 | 0.36286 | 0.35932 | 0.3591441 | 0.35924 |
|     | 1   | 0.29532 | 0.29200 | 0.2918410 | 0.29192 |
|     | 3   | 0.04097 | 0.04023 | 0.0401946 | 0.04021 |
| 3/4 | 0.4 | 0.63038 | 0.62567 | 0.6254715 | 0.62544 |
|     | 0.6 | 0.49268 | 0.48747 | 0.4871652 | 0.48721 |
|     | 0.8 | 0.37912 | 0.37415 | 0.3738557 | 0.37392 |
|     | 1   | 0.29204 | 0.28766 | 0.2874128 | 0.28747 |
|     | 3   | 0.03038 | 0.02979 | 0.0297645 | 0.02977 |

Table 3. Analytical results and numerical results by present method with $\tau = 0.01, \Delta x = 0.0125$ and $\nu_d = 0.01$ for problem 5.1 at different value of $T$.

| $x$ | $T$ | $\omega_{\text{num.}}$ | $\omega_{\text{exact}}$ |
|-----|-----|----------------|----------------|
| 1/4 | 5   | 0.046922 | 0.046963 |
|     | 10  | 0.024202 | 0.024217 |
|     | 15  | 0.016300 | 0.016308 |
|     | 20  | 0.012236 | 0.012240 |
| 2/4 | 5   | 0.093998 | 0.093920 |
|     | 10  | 0.048414 | 0.048421 |
|     | 15  | 0.032431 | 0.032439 |
|     | 20  | 0.023883 | 0.023889 |
| 3/4 | 5   | 0.141354 | 0.140832 |
|     | 10  | 0.071175 | 0.071134 |
|     | 15  | 0.044135 | 0.044133 |
|     | 20  | 0.029155 | 0.029159 |
Figure 3. Comparison of analytical and numerical results for problem 5.1 with $v_d = 0.2$, $\Delta x = 0.0125$ and $\tau = 0.001$ and at different times $T$.

Figure 4. Comparison of analytical and numerical results for problem 5.1 at time $T = 10$, $v_d = 0.001$, $\tau = 0.001$ and $\Delta x = 0.0125$.

Figure 5. Numerical results for different small values of $v_d$ with $\tau = 0.001$ and $\Delta x = 0.0125$ of problem 5.1 at time $T = 0.1$. 
Figure 6. Numerical results with $\nu_d = 0.01$, $\Delta x = 0.0125$ and $\tau = 0.001$ at different times $T$ of problem 5.1.

5.2. Example 2

Consider Equation (1) with Dirichlet BCs

$$\omega(\alpha_i, t) = 0, \quad \alpha_i = i, \quad i = 0, 1 \quad \text{and} \quad t \in (0, T),$$

(71)

and IC

$$\omega(x, 0) = 4(1 - x)x, \quad x \in (0, 1),$$

(72)

where $\nu_d$ is the viscous coefficient. Using the transformation

$$\omega(x, t) = -\frac{\nu_d \psi}{\psi'},$$

(73)

we see that the Equation (11) represents the analytical solution where

$$\beta_0 = \int_0^1 \exp \left( -\frac{2x^2}{3\nu_d} (3 - 2x) \right) dx,$$

$$\beta_l = 2 \int_0^1 \exp \left( -\frac{2x^2}{3\nu_d} (3 - 2x) \cos l\pi x \right) dx.$$

In Table 4, we depict the numerical results and compare them with exact solutions for $\tau = 0.0001$, $\nu_d = 2$ with $\Delta x = 0.0125$. $L_\infty$ and $L_2$-error indicate that the difference between the analytical solution and numerical solution is very less. For the comparison purpose, in Table 5, we take $\nu_d = 0.2$, $\tau = 0.0001$ and notice that the results by the present method are slightly more close to the exact solutions than that given in [39] and [40]. It can be seen that, at a specified location, the solution decreases when time passes out. Additionally, it can be seen that, at a fixed moment, the numerical solution first increases and then decreases with changing location from 0 to 1. In Table 6, we take $\Delta x = 0.0125$, $\tau = 0.01$, and $\nu_d = 0.01$. It can be noticed that solutions that are produced by the present method and analytical solutions are very close to each other.

In Figure 7, we can see that the exact solution starts oscillating between $x = 0.8$ to $x = 1$ for a small value of $\nu_d = 0.001$ due to slow rate of convergence of infinite series, but the results obtained by this method follow the parabolic profile. Figure 8 demonstrates the accuracy of the method for $\nu_d = 0.1$ and it can be seen that the analytical solution and numerical solution are almost the same at different times throughout the domain. Figure 9 shows that the results that are projected by the present scheme follow the nature of the solutions for different small values of $\nu_d$. Figure 10 illustrates the physical nature of the solution in three dimensions.
Table 4. Comparison of analytical and numerical results for $\Delta x = 0.0125$, $\nu_d = 2$, and $\tau = 0.0001$ at different value $T$ of the problem 5.2.

| $x$ | $T = 0.001$ | $T = 0.01$ | $T = 0.1$ |
|-----|-------------|-------------|-----------|
|     | $\omega_{\text{exact}}$ | $\omega_{\text{num.}}$ | $\omega_{\text{exact}}$ | $\omega_{\text{num.}}$ | $\omega_{\text{exact}}$ | $\omega_{\text{num.}}$ |
| 1/10 | 0.350947 | 0.350703 | 0.294953 | 0.294822 | 0.112892 | 0.112863 |
| 2/10 | 0.630504 | 0.630240 | 0.553085 | 0.552873 | 0.216252 | 0.216195 |
| 3/10 | 0.830681 | 0.830425 | 0.749751 | 0.749515 | 0.300966 | 0.300887 |
| 4/10 | 0.951242 | 0.951009 | 0.873459 | 0.873232 | 0.358863 | 0.358770 |
| 5/10 | 0.991996 | 0.991794 | 0.919723 | 0.919518 | 0.383422 | 0.383324 |
| 6/10 | 0.952752 | 0.952578 | 0.86239 | 0.866057 | 0.370658 | 0.370563 |
| 7/10 | 0.833318 | 0.833164 | 0.771464 | 0.771302 | 0.319985 | 0.319985 |
| 8/10 | 0.633500 | 0.633351 | 0.576273 | 0.576138 | 0.235371 | 0.235312 |
| 9/10 | 0.353149 | 0.352988 | 0.310136 | 0.310053 | 0.124718 | 0.124687 |

$L_\infty$ error

- $2.64275 \times 10^{-4}$
- $2.35909 \times 10^{-4}$
- $9.85169 \times 10^{-5}$

$L_2$ error

- $6.55334 \times 10^{-5}$
- $6.07706 \times 10^{-5}$
- $2.46429 \times 10^{-5}$

Table 5. Comparison of existing and present results for $\Delta x = 0.0125$, $\nu_d = 0.2$, $\tau = 0.0001$ at different value of $T$ for problem 5.2.

| $x$ | $T$ | FEM [39] | Asai [40] | $\omega_{\text{num.}}$ | $\omega_{\text{exact}}$ |
|-----|-----|----------|-----------|----------------|----------------|
|     |     |          |           |                |                |
| 1/4 | 0.4 | 0.32091  | 0.31754   | 0.317374       | 0.31752       |
|     | 0.6 | 0.24910  | 0.24616   | 0.246045       | 0.24614       |
|     | 0.8 | 0.20211  | 0.19958   | 0.199490       | 0.19956       |
|     | 1   | 0.16782  | 0.16562   | 0.165549       | 0.16560       |
|     | 3   | 0.02828  | 0.02777   | 0.027752       | 0.02776       |
| 2/4 | 0.4 | 0.58788  | 0.58460   | 0.584404       | 0.58458       |
|     | 0.6 | 0.46174  | 0.45805   | 0.457862       | 0.45798       |
|     | 0.8 | 0.37111  | 0.36748   | 0.367304       | 0.36740       |
|     | 1   | 0.30183  | 0.29843   | 0.298267       | 0.29834       |
|     | 3   | 0.04185  | 0.41090   | 0.041054       | 0.04107       |
| 3/4 | 0.4 | 0.65054  | 0.64586   | 0.645660       | 0.64562       |
|     | 0.6 | 0.50825  | 0.50294   | 0.502629       | 0.50268       |
|     | 0.8 | 0.39068  | 0.38557   | 0.385269       | 0.38534       |
|     | 1   | 0.30057  | 0.29605   | 0.295794       | 0.29586       |
|     | 3   | 0.03106  | 0.03046   | 0.030432       | 0.03044       |

Table 6. Exact and numerical results by present method having $\nu_d = 0.1$, $\Delta x = 0.0125$ and $\tau = 0.01$ at different times $T$ for problem 5.2.

| $x$ | $T$ | $\omega_{\text{exact}}$ | $\omega_{\text{num.}}$ |
|-----|-----|----------------|----------------|
|     |     |                |                |
| 1/4 | 5   | 0.047415       | 0.047372       |
|     | 10  | 0.024336       | 0.024321       |
|     | 15  | 0.016362       | 0.016355       |
|     | 20  | 0.012272       | 0.012268       |
| 2/4 | 5   | 0.094814       | 0.094895       |
|     | 10  | 0.048660       | 0.048653       |
|     | 15  | 0.032550       | 0.032542       |
|     | 20  | 0.023957       | 0.023951       |
| 3/4 | 5   | 0.142154       | 0.142693       |
|     | 10  | 0.071517       | 0.071560       |
|     | 15  | 0.044328       | 0.044330       |
|     | 20  | 0.029275       | 0.029271       |
Figure 7. Comparison of analytical and numerical results with $\nu_d = 0.001$, $\Delta x = 0.0125$ and $\tau = 0.001$ at time $T = 10$ for problem 5.2.

Figure 8. Comparison of analytical and numerical results for problem 5.2 at different times $T$, $\nu_d = 0.1$, $\Delta x = 0.0125$ and $\tau = 0.001$.

Figure 9. Numerical results with different $\nu_d$ and $\Delta x = 0.0125$, $\tau = 0.001$ at time $T = 0.1$ for problem 5.2.
5.3. Example 3

Here, we take the exact solution (shock-like) [41] of Equation (1)

$$\omega(x,t) = \frac{x}{1 + \sqrt{\frac{t}{t_0} e^{\frac{1}{2} \nu_d^2}}} , \quad x \in (0, 1.2), \quad t \geq 1,$$

where $t_0 = e^{\frac{1}{2} \nu_d}$ having BCs

$$\omega(0,t) = 0 = \omega(1.2,t), \quad t > 1$$

and IC

$$\omega(x,1) = \frac{x}{1 + e^{\frac{1}{2} \nu_d^2}}, \quad x \in (0, 1.2).$$

In Table 7, for the comparison, we take time step $\tau = 0.01$, spatial step $\Delta x = 0.0005$ and small value of viscous coefficient $\nu_d = 0.002$. The numerical solutions at the different discrete points are compared with the existing results presented in [41] and also with the exact solutions. It can be noticed that the results by the present technique are slightly more close to exact solutions than that of given in [41]. For this example, discrete $L_\infty$ and $L_2$ -error norms are also given and compared with the error that is given in [41]. It can be seen that the error produced by the method in [41] is very high when compared to the error provided by the current scheme. Figure 11 shows the nature of the solutions by present method for small value of $\nu_d = 0.001$.

Table 7. Comparison of results by present method and existing method and its error for $\nu_d = 0.002$, $h = 0.0005$ and $\tau = 0.01$ at different $T$ for problem 5.3.
5.4. Example 4

We consider the exact solution presented in [42]

\[ \omega(x, t) = \pi \nu_d \frac{\sin(\pi x) \exp(-\pi^2 \nu_d^2 t/4) + 4 \sin(2\pi x) \exp(-\pi^2 \nu_d^2 t)}{4 + \cos(\pi x) \exp(-\pi^2 \nu_d^2 t/4) + 2 \cos(2\pi x) \exp(-\pi^2 \nu_d^2 t)} \]  \hspace{1cm} (77)

where initial condition is obtained by putting \( t = 0 \) in (77) and BCs are \( \omega(0, t) = 0 = \omega(2, t) \). The physical behavior of the obtained results by current scheme for \( \nu_d = 0.001, \tau = 0.01 \) and \( \Delta x = 0.025 \) is exhibited in the Figure 12 left. The absolute errors are presented in Figure 12 right and it is clear that the absolute errors are \( \leq 10^{-3} \) for different times. Hence, the numerical results that are obtained by the present method are acceptable.

5.5. Example 5

Here, the BCs are same as (2) and IC as

\[ \omega(x, 0) = \sin \frac{\pi}{2} x, \quad x \in (0, 1). \]  \hspace{1cm} (78)
Equation (11) represents the analytical solution of the above problem, where

\[
\beta_0 = \int_0^1 \exp \left( \frac{2}{\pi \nu_d} \cos \frac{\pi}{2} x - 1 \right) dx, \quad (79)
\]

\[
\beta_l = 2 \int_0^1 \exp \left( \frac{2}{\pi \nu_d} \left( \cos \frac{\pi}{2} x - 1 \right) \cos l \pi x \right) dx. \quad (80)
\]

This example shows inconsistent IC and BCs at the boundary point \( x = 1 \). Figure 13 shows high oscillation near the boundary point \( x = 1 \) by the CN method, while the present method gives accurate and stable numerical solutions throughout the domain.

![Figure 13](image-url)

**Figure 13.** Comparison of analytical solutions and numerical solutions by our method and Crank–Nicolson (CN) method for the problem 5.5 at \( T = 0.1 \) for \( \Delta x = 0.0125, \nu_d = 2, \) and \( \tau = 0.01 \).

5.6. Example 6

Here, we take the BCs same as (2) and IC as

\[
\omega(x, 0) = \cos \frac{\pi}{4} x, \quad x \in (0, 1). \quad (81)
\]

Equation (11) represents the analytical solution of the above problem, where

\[
\beta_0 = \int_0^1 \exp \left( - \frac{4}{\pi \nu_d} \sin \frac{\pi}{4} x \right) dx, \quad (82)
\]

\[
\beta_l = 2 \int_0^1 \exp \left( - \frac{4}{\pi \nu_d} \left( \sin \frac{\pi}{4} x \right) \cos l \pi x \right) dx. \quad (83)
\]

This example shows inconsistent IC and BCs at both the boundary points \( x = 0 \) and \( x = 1 \). From Figure 14, it is clear that the CN method produces high oscillation near both boundary points, while the present method gives accurate and stable numerical solutions throughout the domain.
6. Conclusions

In the present paper, we have used explicit backward Taylor’s series approximation formula of order six and Hermite interpolation polynomial of order five to derive 7th order time integration formula, which is weakly \( L \)-stable. The present method is tested over some problems and observed that the approximated results are quite satisfactory and also provides good results when compared to the existing results. It is also observed that the analytical and computed results are very close to each other for small values of viscosity. The strength of this method is that it is easy to apply and takes very little time for computation. It will be interesting to see whether we can give general \( n-1 \)th order convergent weakly \( L \)-stable Newton–Cotes formulae by using \( n \)th order convergent Newton-Cotes formula. Though the order of the weakly \( L \)-stable method is reduced by 1, it is very fruitful for a certain class of nonlinear initial boundary value problems.

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