

On the convergence of the homotopy analysis method to solve the system of partial differential equations

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Abstract. One of the efficient and powerful schemes to solve linear and nonlinear equations is homotopy analysis method (HAM). In this work, we obtain the approximate solution of a system of partial differential equations (PDEs) by means of HAM. For this purpose, we develop the concept of HAM for a system of PDEs as a matrix form. Then, we prove the convergence theorem and apply the proposed method to find the approximate solution of some systems of PDEs. Also, we show the region of convergence by plotting the H -surface.

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1. Introduction

Homotopy analysis method (HAM) was introduced by Liao in [8]. HAM is an efficient method for solving different kinds of partial differential equations. In recent years this method has been used to solve the various types of PDEs [1, 2, 5–7, 15]. The system of PDEs arise in mathematics, engineering and physical sciences. In [11], Sami Bataineh et al. used the HAM for solving the system of PDEs analytically, and in [3, 4], the homotopy perturbation method (HPM) was applied for solving the system of PDEs.

In this work, we introduce a development of the homotopy analysis method based on the matrix form of HAM and apply it to find the approximate solution of a given system of linear or nonlinear partial differential equations. Then, we prove the convergence of the

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proposed method and apply the method to find the solution of some systems of PDEs. Also, we introduce the H -surface to determine the region of convergence. In section 2, we present the main idea of the work and introduce the HAM via matrix form. In section 3, we prove the convergence theorem of this method for a general form of system of partial differential equations. Section 4 contains some linear and nonlinear systems of PDEs which are solved based on the HAM in matrix form and the regions of convergence are shown.

2. Main idea

In this section, we develop the idea of HAM to solve a system of linear or nonlinear differential equations. We consider the following system,

$$N[U(X, t)] = 0, \quad (1)$$

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} N_1[U(X, t)] \\ \vdots \\ N_n[U(X, t)] \end{pmatrix}, \quad U(X, t) = \begin{pmatrix} U_1(X, t) \\ \vdots \\ U_n(X, t) \end{pmatrix}$$

where N is the matrix of nonlinear operators, $X = (x, y, z)$ is the vector of variables and U is the vector of unknown functions. At first, we construct the zero-order deformation system as follows.

$$(I - Q)L[\phi(X, t; Q) - U^{(0)}(X, t)] = QHN[\phi(X, t; Q)], \quad (2)$$

where I is the identity matrix, $L = \begin{pmatrix} L_1 & 0 \\ & \ddots \\ 0 & L_n \end{pmatrix}$ is an auxiliary linear operator matrix,

$H = \begin{pmatrix} h_1 & 0 \\ & \ddots \\ 0 & h_n \end{pmatrix}$ is an auxiliary parameter matrix, $\phi(X, t; Q)$ is the vector of unknown

functions, $U^{(0)}(X, t)$ is the vector of initial guess and $Q = \begin{pmatrix} q_1 & 0 \\ & \ddots \\ 0 & q_n \end{pmatrix}$, $0 \leq q_i \leq 1$,

$1 \leq i \leq n$, is a diagonal matrix which denotes the embedding parameter matrix. It is obvious, when the q_i 's, $1 \leq i \leq n$, increase from 0 to 1 or in other word, the embedding parameter matrix changes from $Q = \bar{0}$ to $Q = I$, the solution of system of equations (2) changes from $\phi(X, t; \bar{0}) = U^{(0)}(X, t)$ to $\phi(X, t; I) = U(X, t)$. Therefore, $\phi(X, t)$ varies from the initial guess $U^{(0)}(X, t)$ to the exact solution $U(X, t)$ of the system.

We consider $\phi(X, t; Q)$ in the following expansion in matrix form,

$$\phi(X, t; Q) = U^{(0)}(X, t) + \sum_{m=1}^{+\infty} Q^m U^{(m)}(X, t), \quad (3)$$

where

$$U^{(m)}(X, t) = \frac{1}{m!} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^m \phi_1(X, t, q_1)}{\partial q_1^m} |_{q_1=0} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial^m \phi_n(X, t, q_n)}{\partial q_n^m} |_{q_n=0} \end{pmatrix}. \tag{4}$$

The convergence of the vector series (3) depends upon the auxiliary parameter matrix H , if it is convergent at $Q = I$, we have

$$U(X, t) = U^{(0)}(X, t) + \sum_{m=1}^{+\infty} U^{(m)}(X, t). \tag{5}$$

Now, we define the vector,

$$\vec{U}_k = \{U^{(0)}(X, t), \dots, U^{(k)}(X, t)\}, \tag{6}$$

where,

$$U^{(i)} = \begin{pmatrix} U_1^{(i)}(X, t) \\ \vdots \\ U_n^{(i)}(X, t) \end{pmatrix}, \quad i = 0, \dots, k. \tag{7}$$

Differentiating the zero-order system (2) m times with respect to the diagonal elements of the embedding parameter matrix Q and setting $Q = \bar{0}$ and finally dividing them by $m!$, we have the so-called m th-order deformation system as follows,

$$L[U^{(m)}(X, t) - \chi_m U^{(m-1)}(X, t)] = HR_m(\vec{U}_{m-1}), \tag{8}$$

where,

$$R_m(\vec{U}_{m-1}) = \frac{1}{(m-1)!} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^{m-1} N_1[\phi(X, t, Q)]}{\partial q_1^{m-1}} |_{Q=\bar{0}} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial^{m-1} N_n[\phi(X, t, Q)]}{\partial q_n^{m-1}} |_{Q=\bar{0}} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \chi_m = \begin{cases} \bar{0}, & m \leq 1, \\ I, & m > 1. \end{cases} \tag{9}$$

It should be emphasized that $U^{(m)}(X, t)$ for $m \geq 1$ is convergent by the linear system (8) with boundry conditions that comes from the original system.

3. Convergence of the HAM for system of PDEs

In this case, we consider the following general form of the system of partial differential equations,

$$ADS + BT + B'T' = C, \quad (10)$$

where A is the 3×3 coefficients matrix, D is the 3×3 differential operator matrix that

$$[D]_{ij} = \frac{\partial^{\alpha_{ij}^{(1)}}}{\partial x^{\alpha_{ij}^{(1)}}} + \frac{\partial^{\alpha_{ij}^{(2)}}}{\partial y^{\alpha_{ij}^{(2)}}} + \frac{\partial^{\alpha_{ij}^{(3)}}}{\partial z^{\alpha_{ij}^{(3)}}} + \frac{\partial^{\alpha_{ij}^{(4)}}}{\partial t^{\alpha_{ij}^{(4)}}}$$

S is unknowns vector $(u \ v \ w)^T$. B and B' are the 3×9 and 3×7 coefficients matrices of functions respectively and T and T' are the following vectors:

$$T = (u \ v \ w \ u^2 \ v^2 \ w^2 \ uv \ uw \ vw)^T$$

$$T' = (uv^2 \ uw^2 \ vu^2 \ vw^2 \ wu^2 \ wv^2 \ uvw)^T$$

and $C = (c_1(x, y, z, t) \ c_2(x, y, z, t) \ c_3(x, y, z, t))^T$ is the 3×1 vector of known functions.

In this part, we prove a theorem for convergence of the HAM for system of partial differential equations (10).

Theorem 3.1 If the series solution (5) of system (10) and also the series $\sum_{m=0}^{+\infty} DS_m$ where $S_m = (u_m \ v_m \ w_m)^T$ are convergent then the series (5) converges to the exact solution of the system (10).

Proof. Let:

$$S = \sum_{m=0}^{+\infty} S_m,$$

where

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} S_m = \vec{0}. \quad (11)$$

We write

$$\sum_{m=1}^n [S_m - \chi_m S_{m-1}] = S_1 + (S_2 - S_1) + (S_3 - S_2) + \cdots + (S_n - S_{n-1}) = S_n.$$

Using (11), we have,

$$\sum_{m=1}^{+\infty} [u_m - \chi_m S_{m-1}] = \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} S_n = \vec{0}.$$

According to the definition of the operator L , we can write

$$\sum_{m=1}^{+\infty} L[S_m - \chi_m S_{m-1}] = L \sum_{m=1}^{+\infty} [S_m - \chi_m S_{m-1}] = \vec{0}.$$

From above expression and equation (8), we obtain

$$\sum_{m=1}^{+\infty} L[S_m - \chi_m S_{m-1}] = H \sum_{m=1}^{+\infty} [R_m(\vec{S}_{m-1})].$$

Since $H \neq \vec{0}$, we have

$$\sum_{m=1}^{+\infty} [R_m(\vec{S}_{m-1})] = \vec{0}. \tag{12}$$

From (12), it holds

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{m=1}^{+\infty} R_m(\vec{S}_{m-1}) &= \sum_{m=1}^{+\infty} ADS_{m-1} \\ &+ B \sum_{m=1}^{+\infty} \left(\sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \begin{pmatrix} (u_{m-1} \ v_{m-1} \ w_{m-1})^T \\ (u_{m-1}u_{m-1-i} \ v_{m-1}v_{m-1-i} \ w_{m-1}w_{m-1-i} \ u_{m-1}v_{m-1-i} \ u_{m-1}w_{m-1-i} \ v_{m-1}w_{m-1-i})^T \end{pmatrix} \right) \\ &+ B' \sum_{m=1}^{+\infty} \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \sum_{k=0}^{m-i-1} \left(\begin{pmatrix} (u_i v_k v_{m-i-k-1} \ u_i w_k w_{m-i-k-1} \ v_i u_k u_{m-i-k-1})^T \\ (v_i w_k w_{m-i-k-1} \ w_i u_k u_{m-i-k-1} \ w_i v_k v_{m-i-k-1} \ u_i v_k w_{m-i-k-1})^T \end{pmatrix} \right) \\ &- (I - \chi_m)C = \vec{0}. \end{aligned}$$

We consider the following element from previous matrix equation. The similar manipulations can be done for other elements.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{m=1}^{+\infty} \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \sum_{k=0}^{m-i-1} u_i v_k w_{m-i-k-1} \\
&= \sum_{i=0}^{+\infty} \sum_{m=i+1}^{m-1} \sum_{k=0}^{m-i-1} u_i v_k w_{m-i-k-1} \\
&= \sum_{i=0}^{+\infty} u_i \sum_{m=i+1}^{+\infty} \sum_{k=0}^{m-i-1} v_k w_{m-i-k-1} \\
&= \sum_{i=0}^{+\infty} u_i \sum_{m=1}^{+\infty} \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} v_k w_{m-k-1} \\
&= \sum_{i=0}^{+\infty} u_i \sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} \sum_{m=k+1}^{+\infty} v_k w_{m-k-1} \\
&= \sum_{i=0}^{+\infty} u_i \sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} v_k \sum_{m=0}^{+\infty} w_m.
\end{aligned}$$

In addition, we have,

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{m=1}^{+\infty} ADS_{m-1} &= AD \sum_{m=0}^{+\infty} S_m, \\
\sum_{m=1}^{+\infty} (I - \chi_m)C &= C.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$ADS + BT + B'T' - C = \vec{0}. \quad (13)$$

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4. Test Examples

In this part, we consider three sample systems of PDEs and apply the matrix form of HAM mentioned in previous section to solve these systems. The results in the tables have been provided by MAPLE.

Example 4.1 We consider the following linear system of PDEs:

$$\begin{aligned}
u_{tt} + v_x + 2u &= 0, \\
u_{xx} + v_t + 2u &= 0,
\end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

with the initial conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} u(x, 0) &= \sin(x), \\ u_t(x, 0) &= \cos(x), \\ v(x, 0) &= \cos(x). \end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

The exact solution of this system is:

$$S(x, t) = \begin{pmatrix} \sin(x + t) \\ \cos(x + t) \end{pmatrix}. \tag{16}$$

We see:

$$\begin{aligned} N[S(x, t)] &= \begin{pmatrix} N_1[S(x, t)] \\ N_2[S(x, t)] \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u_{tt} + v_x + 2u \\ u_{xx} + v_t + 2u \end{pmatrix}, \\ S(x, t) &= \begin{pmatrix} u(x, t) \\ v(x, t) \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned} \tag{17}$$

To solve the system (14) by means of HAM, we have:

$$N[\phi(x, t, Q)] = \begin{pmatrix} N_1[\phi(x, t, Q)] \\ N_2[\phi(x, t, Q)] \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 \phi_1(x, t, q_1)}{\partial t^2} + \frac{\partial \phi_2(x, t, q_2)}{\partial x} + 2\phi_1(x, t, q_1) \\ \frac{\partial^2 \phi_1(x, t, q_1)}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial \phi_2(x, t, q_2)}{\partial t} + 2\phi_1(x, t, q_1) \end{pmatrix}, \tag{18}$$

where $Q = \begin{pmatrix} q_1 & 0 \\ 0 & q_2 \end{pmatrix}$ and the linear matrix operator

$$L[\phi(x, t, Q)] = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1(x, t, q_1) \\ \phi_2(x, t, q_2) \end{pmatrix}, \tag{19}$$

with the property

$$L \begin{pmatrix} c_1(x) + c_2(x)t \\ c_3(x) \end{pmatrix} = 0, \tag{20}$$

where $c_1(x), c_2(x)$ and $c_3(x)$ are the integration constants. By using (8) under the initial conditions, we have:

$$R_m(\vec{u}_{m-1}) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 u_{m-1}(x, t)}{\partial t^2} + \frac{\partial v_{m-1}(x, t)}{\partial x} + 2u_{m-1}(x, t) \\ \frac{\partial^2 u_{m-1}(x, t)}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial v_{m-1}(x, t)}{\partial t} + 2u_{m-1}(x, t) \end{pmatrix}. \tag{21}$$

The solution of the m th-order deformation system (8) for $m \geq 1$ becomes:

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_m(x, t) &= \chi_m S_{m-1}(x, t) + HL^{-1}R_m(\vec{S}_{m-1}) \\
 &= \chi_m S_{m-1}(x, t) + \begin{pmatrix} h_1 & 0 \\ 0 & h_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \int \int dt & 0 \\ 0 & \int dt \end{pmatrix} \\
 &\quad \times \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 u_{m-1}(x,t)}{\partial t^2} + \frac{\partial v_{m-1}(x,t)}{\partial x} + 2u_{m-1}(x, t) \\ \frac{\partial^2 u_{m-1}(x,t)}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial v_{m-1}(x,t)}{\partial t} + 2u_{m-1}(x, t) \end{pmatrix}.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{22}$$

We choose the initial approximation as:

$$S_0(x, t) = \begin{pmatrix} u_0 \\ v_0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sin(x) + t \cos(x) \\ \cos(x) \end{pmatrix}.
 \tag{23}$$

Applying (22) for $m \geq 1$, we have,

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_1 &= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{6}h_1t^2(3 \sin(x) + 2t \cos(x)) \\ \frac{1}{2}h_2t(2 \sin(x) + t \cos(x)) \end{pmatrix} \\
 S_2 &= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{120}(60 \sin(x) + 40t \cos(x) + 60h_1 \sin(x) + 40h_1t \cos(x) + \\ 20h_2t \cos(x) - 5h_2t^2 \sin(x) + 10h_1t^2 \sin(x) + 4h_1t^3 \cos(x)) \\ \frac{1}{12}h_2t(12 \sin(x) + 6t \cos(x) + 12h_2 \sin(x) + 6h_2t \cos(x) + \\ 2h_1t^2 \sin(x) + h_1t^3 \cos(x)) \end{pmatrix} \\
 &\quad \vdots
 \end{aligned}$$

In general, for $H = -I$ we have,

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_0 + S_1 + S_2 + \dots &= \begin{pmatrix} (1 - \frac{t^2}{2!} + \frac{t^4}{4!} - \dots) \sin(x) + (t - \frac{t^3}{3!} + \frac{t^5}{5!} - \dots) \cos(x) \\ (1 - \frac{t^2}{2!} + \frac{t^4}{4!} - \dots) \cos(x) - (t - \frac{t^3}{3!} + \frac{t^5}{5!} - \dots) \sin(x) \end{pmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{pmatrix} \sin(x + t) \\ \cos(x + t) \end{pmatrix}.
 \end{aligned}$$

We can see the convergence of this method at two points $(x_1, t_1) = (0.5, 1)$ and $(x_2, t_2) = (3, 1.5)$ for $H = -I$ in Table 1.

Table 1

	(0.5, 1)	(3, 1.5)
$n=2$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1.0202604 \\ 0.11240188 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} -1.1665823 \\ -0.42620403 \end{pmatrix}$
$n=4$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.99747196 \\ 0.07079598 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} -0.97955171 \\ -0.21567996 \end{pmatrix}$
$n=6$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.99749480 \\ 0.07073681 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} -0.97751894 \\ -0.21079367 \end{pmatrix}$
$n=8$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.99749498 \\ 0.07073720 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} -0.97752994 \\ -0.21079568 \end{pmatrix}$
$n=10$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.99749498 \\ 0.07073720 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} -0.97752999 \\ -0.21079578 \end{pmatrix}$

We present the H -surfaces of the example 4.1 which is a two-dimensional system to see the convergent region. In [8] the concept of h -curve was discussed to show the region of convergence in the HAM to solve a given linear or nonlinear equation, where h is the auxiliary parameter. These curves convert to surfaces for a set of equations like a system of PDEs. By plotting the H -surface, it is easy to discover the valid region of the HAM and the optimal values of the entries of matrix H , which corresponds to the hyperplane parallel to the hyperplane that is made by the h_1, \dots, h_n .

In figures 1, 2 and 3, we plot the 5-approximation of u, v, v_t, v_x, u_{tt} and u_{xx} when $x = 0.5$ and $t = 1$. In this case, when $H = -I$ we obtain the Taylor series of the exact solution of the system. In this figures, we can see the region of convergence of the u, v, v_t, v_x, u_{tt} and u_{xx} is $[-2, 1] \times [-2, 1]$.

Example 4.2 We consider the following linear system of PDEs with variable coefficients:

$$\begin{aligned} u_t + v_{zz} - w_{xx} - u &= 0, \\ u_{yy} + v_{tt} - e^x w_{xx} - v &= 0, \\ e^y u_{yy} + v_{xx} - w_{ttt} - w &= 0, \end{aligned} \tag{24}$$

with the initial conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} u(x, y, z, 0) &= y + z, \\ v(x, y, z, 0) &= y + x, \\ v_t(x, y, z, 0) &= y + x, \\ w(x, y, z, 0) &= x + y, \\ w_t(x, y, z, 0) &= x + y, \\ w_{tt}(x, y, z, 0) &= x + y. \end{aligned} \tag{25}$$

The exact solution of this system is:

$$S(x, y, z, t) = \begin{pmatrix} (y + z)e^t \\ (x + z)e^t \\ (x + y)e^t \end{pmatrix}. \tag{26}$$

Similar to the example 4.1, for $m \geq 1$ we have:

$$\begin{aligned} S_m(x, y, z, t) &= \chi_m S_{m-1}(x, y, z, t) + HL^{-1} R_m(\vec{S}_{m-1}) = \chi_m S_{m-1}(x, y, z, t) \\ &+ \begin{pmatrix} h_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & h_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & h_3 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} \int dt & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \int \int dt & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \int \int \int dt \end{pmatrix} \\ &\times \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial u_{m-1}(x, y, z, t)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial^2 v_{m-1}(x, y, z, t)}{\partial z^2} - \frac{\partial^2 w_{m-1}(x, y, z, t)}{\partial x^2} - u_{m-1}(x, y, z, t) \\ \frac{\partial^2 u_{m-1}(x, y, z, t)}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v_{m-1}(x, y, z, t)}{\partial t^2} - e^x \frac{\partial^2 w_{m-1}(x, y, z, t)}{\partial x^2} - v_{m-1}(x, y, z, t) \\ e^y \frac{\partial^2 u_{m-1}(x, y, z, t)}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v_{m-1}(x, y, z, t)}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\partial^3 w_{m-1}(x, y, z, t)}{\partial t^3} - w_{m-1}(x, y, z, t) \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned} \tag{27}$$

where

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{\partial^3}{\partial t^3} \end{pmatrix}, \tag{28}$$

with the property

$$L \begin{pmatrix} c_1(x, y, z) \\ c_2(x, y, z) + c_3(x, y, z)t \\ c_4(x, y, z) + c_5(x, y, z)t + c_6(x, y, z)t^2 \end{pmatrix} = 0, \tag{29}$$

where $c_1(x, y, z), \dots, c_6(x, y, z)$ are integration constant.

We choose the initial approximation as:

$$S_0(x, y, z, t) = \begin{pmatrix} u_0 \\ v_0 \\ w_0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} y + z \\ (x + z)(1 + t) \\ (x + y)(1 + t + \frac{1}{2}t^2) \end{pmatrix}. \tag{30}$$

Applying (27) for $m \geq 1$ and $H = -I$ we have,

$$S_1 = \begin{pmatrix} t(y + z) \\ (\frac{t^2}{2!} + \frac{t^3}{3!})(x + z) \\ (\frac{t^3}{3!} + \frac{t^4}{4!} + \frac{t^5}{5!})(x + y) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$S_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{t^2}{2!}(y + z) \\ (\frac{t^4}{4!} + \frac{t^5}{5!})(x + z) \\ (\frac{t^6}{6!} + \frac{t^7}{7!} + \frac{t^8}{8!})(x + y) \end{pmatrix}$$

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In general, we have,

$$S_0 + S_1 + S_2 + \dots = \begin{pmatrix} (1 + t + \frac{t^2}{2} + \dots)(x + z) \\ (1 + t + \frac{t^2}{2} + \dots)(y + z) \\ (1 + t + \frac{t^2}{2} + \dots)(x + y) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} e^t(y + z) \\ e^t(x + z) \\ e^t(x + y) \end{pmatrix}.$$

We can see the convergence of this method at two points $(x_1, y_1, z_1, t_1) = (1, 2, 3, 0.5)$ and $(x_2, y_2, z_2, t_2) = (2, 3, 1, 3)$ for $H = -I$ in Table 2.

Table 2

	(1, 2, 3, 0.5)	(2, 3, 1, 3)
$n=2$	$\begin{pmatrix} 8.1250000 \\ 6.5947917 \\ 4.9461639 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 34.0000000 \\ 55.2000000 \\ 100.0457589 \end{pmatrix}$
$n=4$	$\begin{pmatrix} 8.2421875 \\ 6.5948851 \\ 4.9461639 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 65.5000000 \\ 60.19017857 \\ 100.4276173 \end{pmatrix}$
$n=6$	$\begin{pmatrix} 8.2435981 \\ 6.5948851 \\ 4.9461639 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 77.6500000 \\ 60.25640578 \\ 100.4276846 \end{pmatrix}$
$n=8$	$\begin{pmatrix} 8.2436064 \\ 6.5948851 \\ 4.9461639 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 80.03660714 \\ 60.25661055 \\ 100.4276846 \end{pmatrix}$
$n=10$	$\begin{pmatrix} 8.2436064 \\ 6.5948851 \\ 4.9461639 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 80.31866071 \\ 60.25661077 \\ 100.4276846 \end{pmatrix}$

Example 4.3 We consider the nonlinear system of ordinary differential equations as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} u_{tt} - 2uv^2 &= 0, \\ v_t - uv &= 0, \end{aligned} \tag{31}$$

with the initial conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} u(0) &= 0, \\ u_t(0) &= 1, \\ v(0) &= 1. \end{aligned} \tag{32}$$

The exact solution of this system is:

$$S(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \tan(t) \\ \sec(t) \end{pmatrix}. \tag{33}$$

In this example, we have:

$$N[\phi(t, Q)] = \begin{pmatrix} N_1[\phi(t, Q)] \\ N_2[\phi(t, Q)] \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 \phi_1(t, q_1)}{\partial t^2} - 2\phi_1(t, q_1)\phi_2^2(t, q_2) \\ \frac{\partial \phi_2(t, q_2)}{\partial t} - \phi_1(t, q_1)\phi_2(t, q_2) \end{pmatrix}, \tag{34}$$

where $Q = \begin{pmatrix} q_1 & 0 \\ 0 & q_2 \end{pmatrix}$ and the linear matrix operator

$$L[\phi(t, Q)] = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1(x, t, q_1) \\ \phi_2(x, t, q_2) \end{pmatrix}, \tag{35}$$

with the property

$$L \begin{pmatrix} c_1 + c_2 t \\ c_3 \end{pmatrix} = 0, \tag{36}$$

where c_1, c_2 and c_3 are the integration constant. The solution of the m th-order deformation system (8) for $m \geq 1$ becomes:

$$S_m(t) = \chi_m S_{m-1}(t) + HL^{-1}R_m(\vec{S}_{m-1}) = \chi_m S_{m-1}(t) + \begin{pmatrix} h_1 & 0 \\ 0 & h_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \int \int dt & dt & 0 \\ 0 & \int dt \end{pmatrix} \times \left(\begin{array}{c} \frac{\partial^2 S_{m-1}(t)}{\partial t^2} - 2 \sum_{m=1}^{+\infty} \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \sum_{k=0}^{m-i-1} u_i(t)v_k(t)v_{m-i-k-1}(t) \\ \frac{\partial u_{m-1}(t)}{\partial t} - \sum_{m=1}^{+\infty} \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} u_i(t)v_{m-i-1}(t) \end{array} \right). \quad (37)$$

We choose the initial approximation as:

$$S_0(t) = \begin{pmatrix} u_0 \\ v_0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} t \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (38)$$

Applying (37), we can see the results of the method at two points $t_1 = 0.5$ and $t_2 = 1$ for $H = -I$ in Table 3.

Table 3

	$t_1 = 0.5$	$t_2 = 1$
$n=2$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.545833334 \\ 1.138020833 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1.46666667 \\ 1.708333333 \end{pmatrix}$
$n=4$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.5462976742 \\ 1.139478798 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1.542504409 \\ 1.827405754 \end{pmatrix}$
$n=6$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.5463024405 \\ 1.139493772 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1.554959773 \\ 1.846970484 \end{pmatrix}$
$n=8$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.5463024894 \\ 1.139493926 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1.557005635 \\ 1.850184116 \end{pmatrix}$
$n=10$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.5463024899 \\ 1.139493927 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1.557341679 \\ 1.850711974 \end{pmatrix}$

5. Conclusion

In this work, the homotopy analysis method was introduced in matrix form and applied to obtain the approximate solution of a linear or nonlinear system of partial differential equations. For this purpose, a convergence theorem was proved and some sample systems of PDEs were solved and the convergence of the HAM was discussed in each system. Also, the H -surface was introduced to illustrate the region of convergence in the HAM. Therefore, the HAM is able to solve the system of PDE via the matrix form and the convergence of method is guaranteed.

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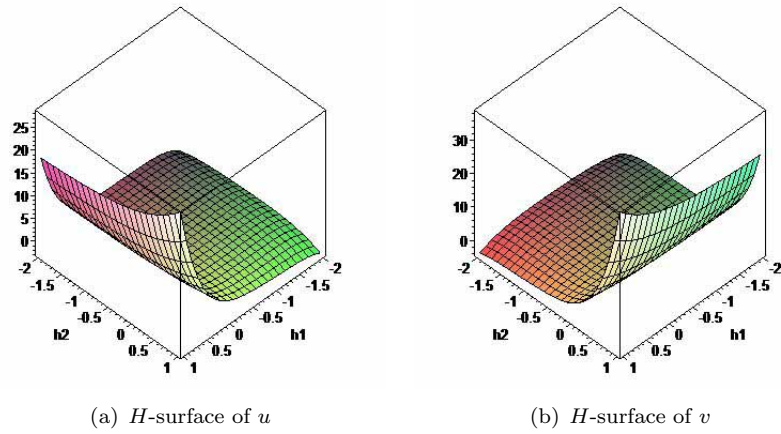


Figure 1. H -Surfaces of u and v in example 4.1

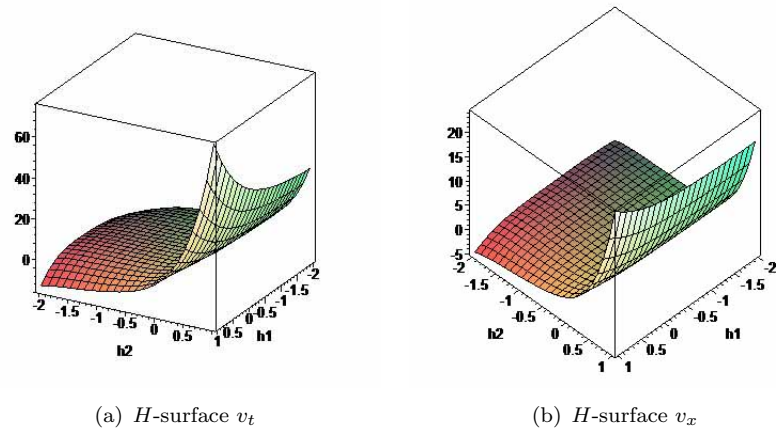


Figure 2. H -Surfaces of v_t and v_x in example 4.1

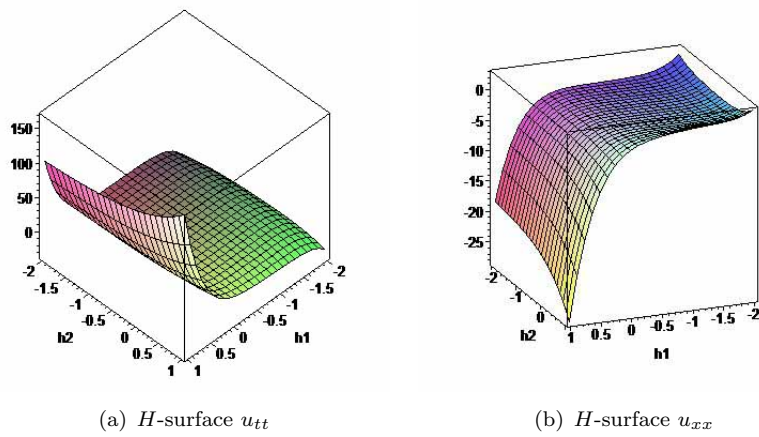


Figure 3. H -Surfaces of u_{tt} and u_{xx} in example 4.1