



## Numerical investigation of the generalized Burgers-Huxley equation using combination of multiquadric quasi-interpolation and method of lines

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### Abstract

In this article, an efficient method for approximating the solution of the generalized Burgers-Huxley (gB-H) equation using a multiquadric quasi-interpolation approach is considered. This method consists of two phases. First, the spatial derivatives are evaluated by MQ quasi-interpolation, So the gB-H equation is reduced to a nonlinear system of ordinary differential equations. In phase two, the obtained system is solved by using ODE solvers. Numerical examples demonstrate the validity and applicability of the method.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

The multiquadric radial basis function was first introduced by Hardy in 1968 [11]. He showed that multiquadric can be applied in various branches of science such as hydrology, geology, mining, and digital modeling [12].

The first multiquadric quasi-interpolation was introduced by Powell [23] in 1990 and he showed that this MQ quasi-interpolation has linear reproducing properties. Later, Beatson and Powell [4] introduced three multiquadric quasi-interpolation operators  $L_A$ ,  $L_B$ , and  $L_C$ . Coefficients in the operators  $L_A$  and  $L_B$  only depend on the function values while in  $L_C$  operator values of derivatives at the beginning and the end is needed too, so  $L_C$  is not convenient for practical cases. In [33] Wu and Schaback presented a multiquadric quasi-interpolation operator  $L_D$  which is monotonicity preserving and has a convergence of order  $O(h^2 \log h)$  if  $c = O(h)$ . Later, Ling [19] presented a univariate multiquadric quasi-interpolation based on the Wu and Schaback method which was applicable in practice because did not need the values of function derivatives and converged with  $O(h^{2.5} \log h)$  when  $c = O(h)$ . Chen et. al [7] introduced a multiquadric quasi-interpolation with preserving monotonicity and linear reproducing properties. They proved that their MQ quasi-interpolation has the accuracy of  $O(h^2)$  if  $c = O(h^2)$ . In [34] the error estimate for the accuracy of Wu-Schaback MQ quasi-interpolation for special classes of functions that have low smoothness was studied. Authors of [17] presented two MQ quasi-interpolation operators with better accuracy than the Wu-Schaback operator. In these schemes, they used the IMQ radial basis function and unlike the RBF method, the ill-conditioning was avoided. Authors in [28] by using Hermite interpolation introduced a MQ quasi-interpolation operator in one-dimensional case. Wu et al. [31] applied multidimensional divided differences to modify Ling [20] approach to provide a family of multivariate MQ quasi-interpolation operators. MQ quasi-interpolation methods are convenient tools for the solution of various engineering issues and have been the focus of researchers for many years [8, 10, 16, 30].

Consider the nonlinear generalized Burgers-Huxley (gB-H) equation

$$u_t + \alpha u^\delta u_x - u_{xx} = \beta u(1 - u^\delta)(u^\delta - \gamma) \quad (1.1)$$

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$$x \in [a, b], t \geq 0$$

with the following initial and boundary conditions

$$u(x, 0) = f(x)$$

$$u(a, t) = g_a(t), u(b, t) = g_b(t).$$

In [29], exact solution of the gB-H equation by using nonlinear transformations is presented as

$$u(x, t) = \left\{ \frac{\gamma}{2} + \frac{\gamma}{2} \tanh \left( \sigma \gamma x - \frac{\sigma \gamma^2 \alpha t}{1 + \delta} + \frac{\sigma \gamma (1 + \delta - \gamma)(\rho - \alpha)t}{2(1 + \delta)} \right) \right\}^{\frac{1}{\delta}} \tag{1.2}$$

where  $\alpha, \beta, \delta \geq 0, \gamma \in (0, 1), \sigma = \frac{\delta(\rho - \alpha)}{4(1 + \delta)}$  and  $\rho = \sqrt{\alpha^2 + 4\beta(1 + \delta)}$ .

The gB-H equation, when the parameters are small, has critical roles in nonlinear physics. Note that when  $\alpha = 0$  the gB-H equation reduces to Fitzhugh-Nagumo equation and for  $\beta = 0, \delta = 1$  this equation becomes Burgers equation.

For the solution of Burgers and gB-H equations, various numerical methods were proposed. In [9], FDM and Galerkin method are used to find the solution of Burgers equation. Authors of [15] applied the Newton-Raphson method in connection with FEM for the inviscid Burgers equation. In [2], mixed FDM and Hermite cubic spline multiwavelets are investigated to find the solution of the Burgers equation. Authors of [1] implemented the hyperbolic-trigonometric tension B-spline method to solve the B-H equation and studied the convergence analysis of the method. Bratsos [5] used an implicit fourth-order finite-difference scheme in a two-time level recurrence relation for the numerical solution of the gB-H equation. Authors of [13, 14] used the Adomian decomposition method to solve the gB-H equation. In [27] time and spatial derivatives are approximated by the Euler scheme and cubic B-spline quasi-interpolation respectively to solve the gB-H equation. In [25], Crank-Nicolson FDM and 3-scale Haar wavelets was used to obtain the solution of the gB-H equation. Authors of [18] implemented Chebyshev and Legendre cardinal functions to solve the gB-H equation by the nodal Galerkin method. In [26], modified cubic B-spline differential quadrature method is investigated for the numerical solution of gB-H equation.

In this paper, an efficient method that used multiquadric quasi-interpolation and Method of Lines (MOL) is presented to solve the gB-H equation numerically. For this aim, we applied the multiquadric quasi-interpolation method to approximate the spatial derivatives in the gB-H equation. So, the gB-H equation is reduced to a system of nonlinear ordinary differential equations. By solving this system using ODE solvers such as the Runge-Kutta method we have the approximate solution of the gB-H equation.

The outline of this article is as follows: In section 2, we introduce the multiquadric quasi-interpolation proposed by Chen et al. [7] and examine the accuracy of its derivatives. In section 3, the combination of MQ quasi-interpolation and method of lines are applied for the solution of the gB-H equation. In section 4, numerical results are presented for some examples and we compare these results with exact solutions. Also, we have given a comparison between the presented method and some numerical techniques which were previously proposed. At the end of section 5, we have given the conclusion.

## 2. MULTIQUADRIC QUASI-INTERPOLATION

Suppose a real function  $f(x)$  is defined on the interval  $[a, b]$ . The univariate multiquadric quasi-interpolation operator  $Lf(x)$  on scattered data points  $\{x_j\}_{j=0}^m$  where  $a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_m = b$ , has the form

$$Lf(x) = \sum_{j=0}^m f(x_j) \alpha_j(x) \tag{2.1}$$

where  $\alpha_j(x)$  are linear combinations of the MQ radial basis functions. Given a data points  $\{x_i, f(x_i)\}_{i=0}^m$ , Wu and Schaback [33] presented a multiquadric quasi-interpolation as

$$L_D f(x) = \sum_{j=0}^m f(x_j) \alpha_j(x) \tag{2.2}$$



where

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha_0(x) &= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\phi_1(x) - (x - x_0)}{2(x_1 - x_0)}, \\ \alpha_1(x) &= \frac{\phi_2(x) - \phi_1(x)}{2(x_2 - x_1)} - \frac{\phi_1(x) - (x - x_0)}{2(x_1 - x_0)}, \\ \alpha_j(x) &= \frac{\phi_{j+1}(x) - \phi_j(x)}{2(x_{j+1} - x_j)} - \frac{\phi_j(x) - \phi_{j-1}(x)}{2(x_j - x_{j-1})}, \quad j = 2, \dots, m-2, \\ \alpha_{m-1}(x) &= \frac{(x_m - x) - \phi_{m-1}(x)}{2(x_m - x_{m-1})} - \frac{\phi_{m-1}(x) - \phi_{m-2}(x)}{2(x_{m-1} - x_{m-2})}, \\ \alpha_m(x) &= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\phi_{m-1}(x) - (x_m - x)}{2(x_m - x_{m-1})}, \\ \phi_j(x) &= \sqrt{(x - x_j)^2 + c^2}, \quad j = 1, \dots, m-1.\end{aligned}$$

Chen et al. [7] introduced the MQ quasi-interpolation as

$$Lf(x) = \sum_{j=0}^m f(x_j)\alpha_j(x) \quad (2.3)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha_j(x) &= \frac{\phi_{j+1}(x) - \phi_j(x)}{2(x_{j+1} - x_j)} - \frac{\phi_j(x) - \phi_{j-1}(x)}{2(x_j - x_{j-1})}, \quad j = 0, \dots, m, \\ \phi_{-1}(x) &= \phi_0(x) + x_0 - x_{-1}, \\ \phi_m(x) &= \phi_0(x) - 2x + x_m + x_0, \\ \phi_{m+1}(x) &= \phi_m(x) + x_{m+1} - x_m,\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\phi_j(x) = \sqrt{(x - x_j)^2 + c^2}, \quad j = 0, \dots, m-1.$$

By using simple manipulation this MQ quasi-interpolation can be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned}Lf(x) &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} \left( \frac{\phi_{j+1}(x) - \phi_j(x)}{x_{j+1} - x_j} - \frac{\phi_j(x) - \phi_{j-1}(x)}{x_j - x_{j-1}} \right) f(x_j) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{\phi_1(x) - \phi_0(x)}{x_1 - x_0} \right) f(x_0) + \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 - \frac{\phi_m(x) - \phi_{m-1}(x)}{x_m - x_{m-1}} \right) f(x_m).\end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

The above MQ quasi-interpolation has two other forms as

$$\begin{aligned}Lf(x) &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} \left( \frac{f(x_{j+1}) - f(x_j)}{x_{j+1} - x_j} - \frac{f(x_j) - f(x_{j-1})}{x_j - x_{j-1}} \right) \phi_j(x) + \frac{f(x_0) + f(x_m)}{2} \\ &\quad + \frac{f(x_1) - f(x_0)}{2(x_1 - x_0)} \phi_0(x) - \frac{f(x_m) - f(x_{m-1})}{2(x_m - x_{m-1})} \phi_m(x),\end{aligned} \quad (2.5)$$

and

$$Lf(x) = \frac{f(x_0) + f(x_m)}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \frac{\phi_j(x) - \phi_{j+1}(x)}{x_{j+1} - x_j} (f(x_{j+1}) - f(x_j)). \quad (2.6)$$



In addition, on  $x \in [x_0, x_m]$ , the derivatives of  $Lf(x)$  can be calculated by

$$(Lf(x))^{(k)} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \frac{\phi_j^{(k)}(x) - \phi_{j+1}^{(k)}(x)}{x_{j+1} - x_j} (f(x_{j+1}) - f(x_j)). \tag{2.7}$$

In the following theorems, we mention some attributes of  $Lf(x)$ :

**Theorem 2.1.** *The MQ quasi-interpolation  $Lf(x)$  has preserving monotonicity and linear reproducing properties on  $[x_0, x_m]$  (see [7]).*

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let  $f \in C^2(x_0, x_m)$  and  $h = \max\{x_j - x_{j-1}\}$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq m$ , then for any real number  $c > 0$ , we have*

$$\|Lf(x) - f(x)\|_\infty \leq k_0 C_h + k_1 h^2 + k_2 ch + k_3 c^2 \log h \tag{2.8}$$

where  $C_h = \min\{c, \frac{c^2}{h}\}$ ,  $k_1, k_2$  and  $k_3$  are constants independent of  $h$  and  $c$  (see [7]).

Providing estimation for accuracy of MQ quasi-interpolation derivations has been in focus of attention in recent years [4, 6, 21, 22, 33]. In the following, we investigate about the accuracy of  $(Lf)^{(k)}(x)$  for approximating  $f^{(k)}(x)$ . At first, this issue is studied for  $k = 1$ .

**Theorem 2.3.** *Let  $f$  be differentiable and  $f'(x)$  is Lipschitz continuous, then*

$$\|(Lf)'(x) - f'(x)\|_\infty \leq O(\frac{h^2}{c}) + O(\sqrt{h^2 + c^2}) + O(h). \tag{2.9}$$

*Proof.* Suppose  $x_{-1} \leq x_0$ ,  $x_0 - x_{-1} \leq h$ ,  $x_m \leq x_{m+1}$  and  $x_{m+1} - x_m \leq h$ . If we set  $f(x_{-1}) = f(x_0)$  and  $f(x_{m+1}) = f(x_m)$  then  $(Lf)^{(k)}$  can be presented by

$$(Lf)^{(k)}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=0}^m \left( \frac{f(x_{j+1}) - f(x_j)}{x_{j+1} - x_j} - \frac{f(x_j) - f(x_{j-1})}{x_j - x_{j-1}} \right) \phi_j^{(k)}(x). \tag{2.10}$$

For any  $x \in [a, b]$ , if we define  $p(y) = f(x) + f'(x) \cdot (y - x)$ , then  $p(x) = f(x)$ . So

$$\begin{aligned} |(Lf)'(x) - f'(x)| &= \frac{1}{2} \left| \sum_{j=0}^m (f[x_j, x_{j+1}] - f[x_{j-1}, x_j]) \phi_j'(x) - \sum_{j=0}^m (p[x_j, x_{j+1}] - p[x_{j-1}, x_j]) \phi_j'(x) \right| \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left| \sum_{j=0}^m (f[x_{j-1}, x_j, x_{j+1}] - p[x_{j-1}, x_j, x_{j+1}]) (x_{j+1} - x_{j-1}) \phi_j'(x) \right|. \end{aligned} \tag{2.11}$$

Because  $p(y)$  is a linear function then  $p[x_{j-1}, x_j, x_{j+1}] = 0$ . Therefore, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |(Lf)'(x) - f'(x)| &= \frac{1}{2} \left| \sum_{j=0}^m f[x_{j-1}, x_j, x_{j+1}] (x_{j+1} - x_{j-1}) \phi_j'(x) \right| \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left| \sum_{j=0}^m (f[x_j, x_{j+1}] - f[x_{j-1}, x_j]) \phi_j'(x) \right| \\ &\leq \sum_{j=0}^m |f'(\varepsilon_j) - f'(\eta_j)| |\phi_j'(x)| \end{aligned} \tag{2.12}$$

where,  $x_j < \varepsilon_j < x_{j+1}$  and  $x_{j-1} < \eta_j < x_j$ . Now, since  $f'(x)$  is Lipschitz continuous then there is a constant  $M$  such that

$$|(Lf)'(x) - f'(x)| \leq \frac{M}{2} \sum_{j=0}^m |\phi_j'(x)| |x_{j+1} - x_{j-1}|. \tag{2.13}$$



Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}
 |(Lf)'(x) - f'(x)| &\leq \frac{M}{2} \left( \sum_{\substack{j=0 \\ |x-x_j|\leq h}}^m |\phi'_j(x)| |x_{j+1} - x_{j-1}| + \sum_{\substack{j=0 \\ |x-x_j|>h}}^m |\phi'_j(x)| |x_{j+1} - x_{j-1}| \right) \\
 &\leq \frac{M.h}{2c} \sum_{j=0}^m |x_{j+1} - x_{j-1}| + M \int_{|x-t|>h} \frac{|x-t|}{\sqrt{(x-t)^2 + c^2}} d_t + O(h) \\
 &\leq O\left(\frac{h^2}{c}\right) + O(\sqrt{h^2 + c^2}) + O(h).
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.14}$$

□

To state the error bound for  $|(Lf)^k(x) - f^k(x)|$ ,  $(k \geq 2)$  we need some preliminaries:

**Lemma 2.4.** *If  $\varphi(x) = \sqrt{x^2 + c^2}$ , then the  $k$ -th-order  $(k \geq 2)$  derivatives of  $\varphi(x)$  can be bounded as*

$$|\varphi^{(k)}(x)| \leq \frac{c_k \cdot c^2}{|x|^{k+1}}, \tag{2.15}$$

and

$$|\varphi^{(k)}(x)| \leq \frac{c_k}{c^{k-1}}, \tag{2.16}$$

where  $c_k$  is a constant, which depends on  $k$ .

**Theorem 2.5.** *Let  $\hat{\psi}(w)$  is the Fourier transform of  $\psi(x)$  and*

$$|\hat{\psi}(w) - 1| \leq O(w^k), \quad w \rightarrow 0. \tag{2.17}$$

*If function  $f(x)$  has inverse Fourier transform as  $f(x) = \int e^{iwx} \hat{f}(w) dw$ ,  $\int e^{iwx} w^k dx$  exists, then*

$$\|(\psi_\varepsilon * f)(x) - f(x)\|_\infty \leq O(\varepsilon^k), \tag{2.18}$$

where  $\psi_\varepsilon(x) = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \psi\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right)$  (see [32]).

In [24], authors showed that condition (2.17) can be satisfied by modifying a given  $\psi$ . In particular, by a finite linear combination of shifts of the function  $\psi$  if  $\hat{\psi} \in C^k$  and  $\hat{\psi}(0) \neq 0$ , one can satisfy the condition (2.17).

Set  $\psi(x) = \frac{1}{4(1+x^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$  then  $\psi_c(x) = \frac{1}{c} \psi\left(\frac{x}{c}\right)$ , so  $\frac{1}{c} \psi_c(x) = \frac{\varphi''(x)}{4}$ . The fourier transform of  $\psi(x)$  satisfies the condition

$$|\hat{\psi}(w) - 1| \leq O(w^2), \quad w \rightarrow 0.$$

So, by using theorem 2.5, we can get

$$\left\| \int \frac{f(t) \cdot \varphi''(x-t)}{4} dt - f(x) \right\|_\infty \leq O(c^2). \tag{2.19}$$

At this point, we use the approach which is used in [21] to prove the following result:

**Theorem 2.6.** *Let  $k \geq 2$  and assume  $f \in C^{(k+2)}([a, b])$  then*

$$|(Lf)^{(k)}(x) - f^{(k)}(x)| \leq O\left(\frac{h}{c^k}\right) + O\left(\frac{h}{c^{k-1}}\right) + O(c^2) \tag{2.20}$$

*Proof.* By using Taylor series formula

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x_{j+1}) &= f(x_j) + (x_{j+1} - x_j) f'(x_j) + \frac{1}{2!} (x_{j+1} - x_j)^2 f''(x_j) + \frac{1}{3!} (x_{j+1} - x_j)^3 f'''(\xi_{1j}), \\
 f(x_{j-1}) &= f(x_j) + (x_{j-1} - x_j) f'(x_j) + \frac{1}{2!} (x_{j-1} - x_j)^2 f''(x_j) + \frac{1}{3!} (x_{j-1} - x_j)^3 f'''(\xi_{2j})
 \end{aligned}$$



where  $x_j \leq \xi_{1j} \leq x_{j+1}$  and  $x_{j-1} \leq \xi_{2j} \leq x_j$ , we have

$$\frac{f(x_{j+1}) - f(x_j)}{x_{j+1} - x_j} - \frac{f(x_j) - f(x_{j-1})}{x_j - x_{j-1}} = \frac{1}{2}(x_{j+1} - x_{j-1})f''(x_j) + \frac{1}{6}\{(x_{j+1} - x_j)^2 f'''(\xi_{1j}) - (x_j - x_{j-1})^2 f'''(\xi_{2j})\}. \tag{2.21}$$

According to the relation (2.10), we get

$$(Lf)^{(k)}(x) = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{j=0}^m (x_{j+1} - x_{j-1})f''(x_j) \cdot \phi_j^{(k)}(x) + \frac{1}{12} \sum_{j=0}^m \{(x_{j+1} - x_j)^2 f'''(\xi_{1j}) - (x_j - x_{j-1})^2 f'''(\xi_{2j})\} \phi_j^{(k)}(x). \tag{2.22}$$

Let

$$I = \left| \int_a^b \frac{f''(t)\varphi^{(k)}(x-t)}{4} dt - \sum_{j=0}^m \frac{(x_{j+1} - x_{j-1})f''(x_j)\phi_j^{(k)}(x)}{4} \right|.$$

By using the integral mean value theorem, we have

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \left| \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} \int_{x_{j-1}}^{x_{j+1}} \frac{f''(t)\varphi^{(k)}(x-t)}{4} dt - \sum_{j=0}^m \frac{(x_{j+1} - x_{j-1})f''(x_j)\phi_j^{(k)}(x)}{4} \right| \\ &\leq \left| \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} \frac{(x_{j+1} - x_{j-1})}{4} \{f''(\gamma_j)\varphi^{(k)}(x - \gamma_j) - f''(x_j)\phi_j^{(k)}(x)\} \right| \\ &\quad + \left| \frac{(x_1 - x_{-1})f''(x_0)\phi_0^{(k)}(x)}{4} \right| + \left| \frac{(x_{m+1} - x_{m-1})f''(x_m)\phi_m^{(k)}(x)}{4} \right| \end{aligned}$$

where  $x_{j-1} \leq \gamma_j \leq x_{j+1}$ . By noting that  $\phi_j^{(k)}(x) = \varphi^{(k)}(x - x_j)$  and by utilizing Taylor series expansion, we get

$$\begin{aligned} I &\leq \left| \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} \frac{(x_{j+1} - x_{j-1})}{4} (\gamma_j - x_j) \{f'''(x_j)\varphi^{(k)}(x - x_j) - f''(x_j)\varphi^{(k+1)}(x - \delta_j)\} \right| \\ &\quad + \left| \frac{(x_1 - x_{-1})f''(x_0)\phi_0^{(k)}(x)}{4} \right| + \left| \frac{(x_{m+1} - x_{m-1})f''(x_m)\phi_m^{(k)}(x)}{4} \right|, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\delta_j$  is a real number between  $\gamma_j$  and  $x_j$ . Applying estimation (2.16) leads to

$$I \leq \frac{h}{c^{k-1}} \left( \frac{1}{2} c_k (b - a) \|f'''\|_\infty + \frac{c_{k+1}}{2c} (b - a) \|f''\|_\infty + c_k \|f''\|_\infty \right). \tag{2.23}$$

Also, by using the mean value theorem besides estimation (2.16), we can deduce the following inequality

$$\left| \sum_{j=0}^m \{(x_{j+1} - x_j)^2 f'''(\xi_{1j}) - (x_j - x_{j-1})^2 f'''(\xi_{2j})\} \phi_j^{(k)}(x) \right| \leq \frac{4h(b - a + h)c_k \|f'''\|_\infty}{c^{k-1}}. \tag{2.24}$$

If we define the function  $f(x)$  in  $\mathbb{R} \setminus [a, b]$  as  $f(x) = 0$ , by using equation (2.19) and integration by parts formula, we can get

$$\left\| \int_a^b \frac{f''(t)\varphi^{(k)}(x-t)}{4} dt - f^{(k)}(x) \right\|_\infty \leq O(c^2). \tag{2.25}$$

Now, utilizing equations (2.23-2.25) gives the following error estimation

$$\|(Lf)^{(k)}(x) - f^{(k)}(x)\|_\infty \leq O\left(\frac{h}{c^k}\right) + O\left(\frac{h}{c^{k-1}}\right) + O(c^2). \tag{2.26}$$

□



### 3. CONSTRUCTION OF METHOD USING MQ QUASI-INTERPOLATION AND MOL

Consider the nonlinear gB-H equation

$$u_t + \alpha u^\delta u_x - u_{xx} = \beta u(1 - u^\delta)(u^\delta - \gamma), \quad x \in [a, b], \quad t \geq 0 \quad (3.1)$$

with the following initial and boundary conditions

$$u(x, 0) = f(x)$$

$$u(a, t) = g_a(t), \quad u(b, t) = g_b(t).$$

In each node  $x_i : i = 1, \dots, m-1$  where  $a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots, x_m = b$  the nonlinear generalized Burgers-Huxley equation can be rewritten as

$$u_t(x_i, t) = -\alpha u^\delta(x_i, t)u_x(x_i, t) + u_{xx}(x_i, t) + \beta u(x_i, t)(1 - u^\delta(x_i, t))(u^\delta(x_i, t) - \gamma). \quad (3.2)$$

According to the MQ quasi-interpolation  $Lf(x)$  in the previous section, we can consider the following approximations for the spatial derivatives as

$$u_x(x_i, t) \simeq \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \frac{\phi'_j(x_i) - \phi'_{j+1}(x_i)}{x_{j+1} - x_j} (u(x_{j+1}, t) - u(x_j, t)), \quad (3.3)$$

and

$$u_{xx}(x_i, t) \simeq \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \frac{\phi''_j(x_i) - \phi''_{j+1}(x_i)}{x_{j+1} - x_j} (u(x_{j+1}, t) - u(x_j, t)), \quad (3.4)$$

where

$$\phi_m(x) = \phi_0(x) - 2x + x_m + x_0,$$

$$\phi_j(x) = \sqrt{(x - x_j)^2 + c^2}, \quad 0 \leq j \leq m-1.$$

If we set

$$C_{i,j} = \frac{\phi'_j(x_i) - \phi'_{j+1}(x_i)}{2(x_{j+1} - x_j)}, \quad (3.5)$$

$$D_{i,j} = \frac{\phi''_j(x_i) - \phi''_{j+1}(x_i)}{2(x_{j+1} - x_j)}, \quad i = 1, \dots, m, \quad j = 0, \dots, m-1, \quad (3.6)$$

the equation (3.2) reduces to

$$\begin{aligned} u_t(x_i, t) = & -\alpha u^\delta(x_i, t) \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} C_{i,j} (u(x_{j+1}, t) - u(x_j, t)) \\ & + \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} D_{i,j} (u(x_{j+1}, t) - u(x_j, t)) + \beta u(x_i, t)(1 - u^\delta(x_i, t))(u^\delta(x_i, t) - \gamma). \end{aligned} \quad (3.7)$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} C_{i,j} (u(x_{j+1}, t) - u(x_j, t)) = & -C_{i,0}u(x_0, t) + C_{i,m-1}u(x_m, t) \\ & + (C_{i,0} - C_{i,1})u(x_1, t) + \dots + (C_{i,m-2} - C_{i,m-1})u(x_{m-1}, t), \end{aligned} \quad (3.8)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} D_{i,j} (u(x_{j+1}, t) - u(x_j, t)) = & -D_{i,0}u(x_0, t) + D_{i,m-1}u(x_m, t) \\ & + (D_{i,0} - D_{i,1})u(x_1, t) + \dots + (D_{i,m-2} - D_{i,m-1})u(x_{m-1}, t), \end{aligned} \quad (3.9)$$



so from equations (3.8) and (3.9), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 u_t(x_i, t) = & -\alpha u^\delta(x_i, t)[(C_{i,0} - C_{i,1})u(x_1, t) + \dots + (C_{i,m-2} - C_{i,m-1})u(x_{m-1}, t)] \\
 & -\alpha u^\delta(x_i, t)[-C_{i,0}u(x_0, t) + C_{i,m-1}u(x_m, t)] \\
 & + (D_{i,0} - D_{i,1})u(x_1, t) + \dots + (D_{i,m-2} - D_{i,m-1})u(x_{m-1}, t) \\
 & - D_{i,0}u(x_0, t) + D_{i,m-1}u(x_m, t) + \beta u(x_i, t)(1 - u^\delta(x_i, t))(u^\delta(x_i, t) - \gamma).
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3.10}$$

We now collocate equation (3.10) in  $m - 1$  points  $x_i$ ;  $i = 1 \dots m - 1$  and hence we can obtain a system of nonlinear ODEs as

$$\frac{dU}{dt} = G(U), \tag{3.11}$$

$$G(U) = -\alpha U * (AU + V) + BU + W + \beta U * (I - U^\delta) * (U^\delta - \Gamma) \tag{3.12}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_{i,j} &= C_{i,j-1} - C_{i,j}, \quad B_{i,j} = D_{i,j-1} - D_{i,j}, \\
 V_i &= -C_{i,0}u(x_0, t) + C_{i,m-1}u(x_m, t), \quad W_i = -D_{i,0}u(x_0, t) + D_{i,m-1}u(x_m, t),
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$I = [1, \dots, 1]^T, \quad \Gamma = [\gamma, \dots, \gamma]^T.$$

By solving this system of ODEs using numerical methods we get the approximate solution for the nonlinear gB-H equation.

#### 4. NUMERICAL RESULTS

In this section, we provide the numerical results of MQQI-MOL method which was presented in previous section. To measure the accuracy of the described method, we use two norms

$$\begin{aligned}
 L_2 &= \|u^{exact} - u^{approximate}\|_2 = \sqrt{h \sum_{j=0}^m |u_j^{exact} - u_j^{approximate}|^2} \\
 L_\infty &= \|u^{exact} - u^{approximate}\|_\infty = \max_{0 \leq j \leq m} |u_j^{exact} - u_j^{approximate}|.
 \end{aligned}$$

In all examples spatial domain is  $[0, 1]$ , the shape parameter is considered as  $c = 0.02$  and in our computations we take  $\Delta t = 0.001$ . For simplicity the nodes in spatial domains is selected as  $x_i = i * \Delta x$ ,  $i = 0, \dots, m$  where  $\Delta x$  is the spatial step size e.g.  $\Delta x = x_i - x_{i-1}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, m$  and  $m=20$ . Here, for the solution of the system of ODEs we use the classical fourth-order Runge-Kutta method. The computations have been performed in MAPLE 18 software.

**Example 4.1.** As the first example, we take the gB-H Eq. (1.1) with the coefficients  $\alpha = 0$ ,  $\beta = 1$ ,  $\delta = 1$ , and  $\gamma = 0.001, 0.0001$ . The  $L_2$  and  $L_\infty$  errors of the presented method in different values of  $t$  are listed in Tables 1 and 2. In Figure 1, we have plotted the exact and numerical solutions at  $t = 1$ . Figure 2 displays the absolute error of the presented method for the gB-H equation in domain  $0 \leq x \leq 1$  and  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ . Moreover, to show the accuracy and efficiency of the presented method, comparisons among errors of MQQI-MOL method, fourth order improved finite difference Scheme [5], Gauss Chebyshev Galerkin method [18], El-Gendi Legendre Galerkin method [18], and modified cubic B-spline differential quadrature method [26] are given in Table 3.

TABLE 1.  $L_2$  and  $L_\infty$  errors for the approximate solutions of Example 4.1 with  $\gamma = 0.001$  at some time levels.

Time	t=0.1	t=0.3	t=0.5	t=0.7	t=1
$L_\infty$	3.3220E-08	4.4251E-08	4.4963E-08	4.5009E-08	4.5011E-08
$L_2$	2.4614E-08	3.2434E-08	3.2939E-08	3.2971E-08	3.2973E-08



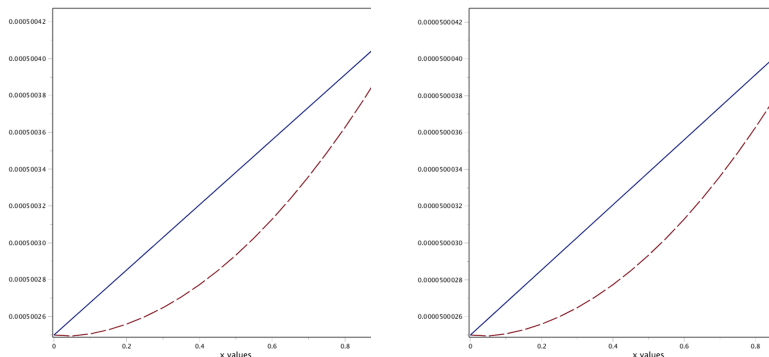


TABLE 2.  $L_2$  and  $L_\infty$  errors for the approximate solutions of Example 4.1 with  $\gamma = 0.0001$  at some time levels.

Time	t=0.1	t=0.3	t=0.5	t=0.7	t=1
$L_\infty$	3.3231E-10	4.4265E-10	4.4974E-10	4.5022E-10	4.5025E-10
$L_2$	2.4622E-10	3.2444E-10	3.2947E-10	3.2979E-10	3.2984E-10

TABLE 3. Comparisons of the presented method for Example 4.1 with  $\gamma = 0.001$

t	x	MQQI-MOL	MCB-DQM[26]	FDS4[5]	GCG[18]	ELG[18]
0.05	0.1	9.3519E-09	1.0044E-08	2.4988E-08	1.0698E-08	9.2752E-09
	0.5	2.1614E-08	2.3047E-08	2.4988E-08	9.2595E-09	9.2595E-09
	0.9	8.8872E-09	1.0044E-08	2.4987E-08	7.8921E-09	9.2845E-09
0.1	0.1	1.3152E-08	1.4790E-08	4.9975E-08	2.3188E-08	2.3173E-08
	0.5	3.3220E-08	3.8252E-08	4.9975E-08	2.1749E-08	2.1749E-08
	0.9	1.2450E-08	1.4790E-08	4.9975E-08	2.0382E-08	2.0360E-08
1	0.1	1.7009E-08	2.2205E-08	4.9975E-07	2.4872E-07	2.4729E-07
	0.5	4.5011E-08	6.2169E-08	4.9975E-07	2.4728E-07	2.4728E-07
	0.9	1.6065E-08	2.2205E-08	4.9975E-07	2.4591E-07	2.4530E-07



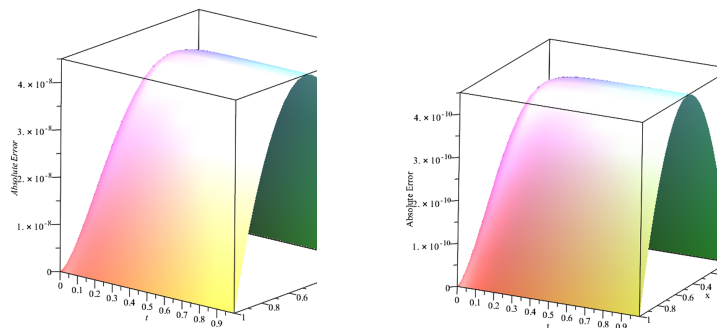
(a) Plot of the exact and numerical solutions for B-H equation with  $\gamma = 0.001$ . (b) Plot of the exact and numerical solutions for B-H equation with  $\gamma = 0.0001$ .

FIGURE 1. The comparison between exact and approximate solution for B-H equation with the coefficients  $\alpha = 0, \beta = 1, \delta = 1$  in interval  $0 \leq x \leq 1$  at  $t = 1$ .

**Example 4.2.** Here, let's Consider the gB-H Eq. (1.1) with  $\alpha = 0, \beta = 1, \delta = 2$  and  $\gamma = 0.001, 0.0001$ . In Table 4 and Table 5 the  $L_2$  and  $L_\infty$  errors of our method at  $t=0.1, 0.3, 0.5, 0.7,$  and  $1$  are reported. According to Figures 3 and 4, we have plotted the graph of exact and approximate solutions of gB-H equation at some of the values of  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ . In Table 6 we compare the results of our method with some of the numerical methods to exhibit the reliability and effectiveness of the proposed method.

**Example 4.3.** We take the gB-H Eq. (1.1) with  $\alpha = 1, \beta = 1, \delta = 1,$  and  $\gamma = 0.001, 0.0001$ . The  $L_2$  and  $L_\infty$  errors of the presented method in different values of  $t$  are listed in Tables 7 and 8. In Figure 5, we have plotted the





(a) Plot of the absolute error for B-H equation with  $\gamma = 0.001$ . (b) Plot of the absolute error for B-H equation with  $\gamma = 0.0001$ .

FIGURE 2. The absolute error for B-H equation with the coefficients  $\alpha = 0, \beta = 1, \delta = 1$  in domain  $0 \leq x \leq 1$  and  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ .

TABLE 4.  $L_2$  and  $L_\infty$  errors for the approximate solutions of Example 4.2 with  $\gamma = 0.001$  at some time levels.

Time	t=0.1	t=0.3	t=0.5	t=0.7	t=1
$L_\infty$	1.4857E-06	1.9790E-06	2.0105E-06	2.0126E-06	2.0125E-06
$L_2$	1.1008E-06	1.4505E-06	1.4729E-06	1.4743E-06	1.4743E-06

TABLE 5.  $L_2$  and  $L_\infty$  errors for the approximate solutions of Example 4.2 with  $\gamma = 0.0001$  at some time levels.

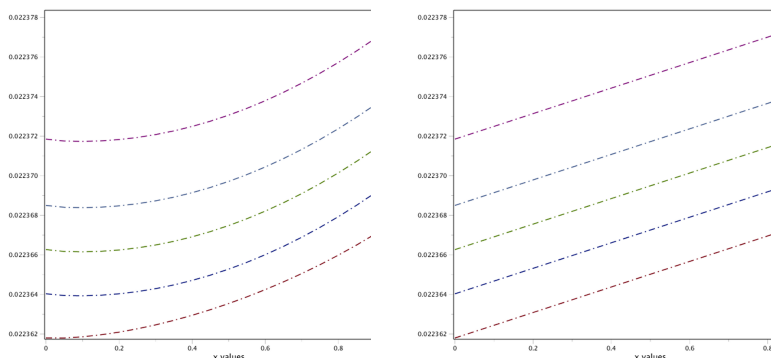
Time	t=0.1	t=0.3	t=0.5	t=0.7	t=1
$L_\infty$	4.6993E-08	6.2599E-08	6.3601E-08	6.3648E-08	6.3649E-08
$L_2$	3.4818E-08	4.5883E-08	4.6592E-08	4.6626E-08	4.6625E-08

exact and numerical solutions at  $t = 1$ . In Figure 6, the error of the approximate solution at some of the values of  $t$  is given. Table 9 exhibits the results of MQQI-MOL method compared with some of the numerical methods such as fourth order improved finite difference Scheme [5], Adomian decomposition method [13, 14], and variational iteration method [3].



TABLE 6. Comparisons of the presented method for Example 4.2 with  $\gamma = 0.001$

t	x	MQQI-MOL	MCB-DQM[26]	FDS4[5]	GCG[18]	ELG[18]
0.05	0.1	4.1828E-07	4.4924E-07	1.1176E-06	4.8110E-07	4.2020E-07
	0.5	9.6666E-07	1.0307E-06	1.1175E-06	3.9966E-07	3.9966E-07
	0.9	3.9745E-07	4.4917E-07	1.1174E-06	3.9240E-07	4.3297E-07
0.1	0.1	5.8819E-07	6.6147E-07	2.2353E-06	1.0397E-06	9.7883E-07
	0.5	1.4857E-06	1.7107E-06	2.2350E-06	9.5823E-07	9.5823E-07
	0.9	5.5674E-07	6.6139E-07	2.2347E-06	9.5091E-07	9.9147E-07
1	0.1	7.6055E-07	9.9267E-07	2.2353E-05	1.1021E-05	1.1008E-05
	0.5	2.0125E-06	2.7793E-06	2.2350E-05	1.1057E-05	1.1057E-05
	0.9	7.1824E-07	9.9260E-07	2.2347E-05	1.0841E-05	1.0955E-05



(a) Plot of approximate solution at the some of values of  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ . (b) Plot of exact solution at the some of values of  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ .

FIGURE 3. Comparison between the approximate and exact solutions for B-H equation with the coefficients  $\alpha = 0$ ,  $\beta = 1$ ,  $\delta = 2$ , and  $\gamma = 0.001$ .

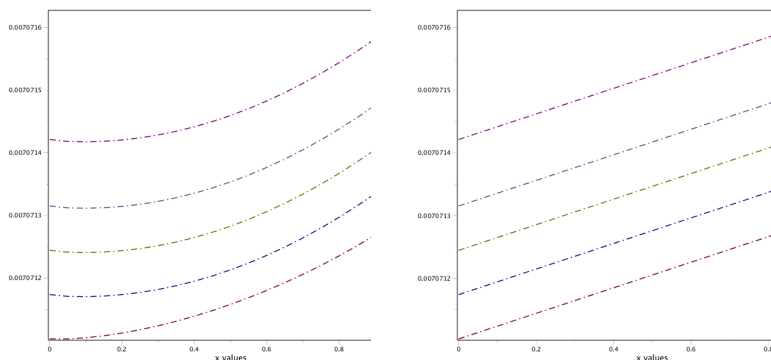
TABLE 7.  $L_2$  and  $L_\infty$  errors for the approximate solutions of Example 4.3 with  $\gamma = 0.001$  at some time levels.

Time	t=0.1	t=0.3	t=0.5	t=0.7	t=1
$L_\infty$	2.4936E-08	3.3219E-08	3.3753E-08	3.3788E-08	3.3792E-08
$L_2$	1.8482E-08	2.4354E-08	2.4733E-08	2.4757E-08	2.4760E-08

TABLE 8.  $L_2$  and  $L_\infty$  errors for the approximate solutions of Example 4.3 with  $\gamma = 0.0001$  at some time levels.

Time	t=0.1	t=0.3	t=0.5	t=0.7	t=1
$L_\infty$	2.4943E-10	3.3220E-10	3.3750E-10	3.3765E-10	3.3775E-10
$L_2$	1.8486E-10	2.4357E-10	2.4729E-10	2.4741E-10	2.4748E-10





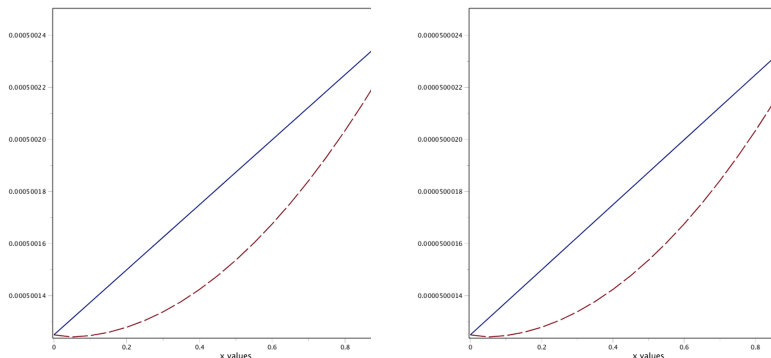
(a) Plot of approximate solution at the some of values of  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ . (b) Plot of exact solution at the some of values of  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ .

FIGURE 4. Comparison between the approximate and exact solutions for B-H equation with the coefficients  $\alpha = 0$ ,  $\beta = 1$ ,  $\delta = 2$ , and  $\gamma = 0.0001$ .

TABLE 9. Comparisons of the presented method for Example 4.3 with  $\gamma = 0.001$

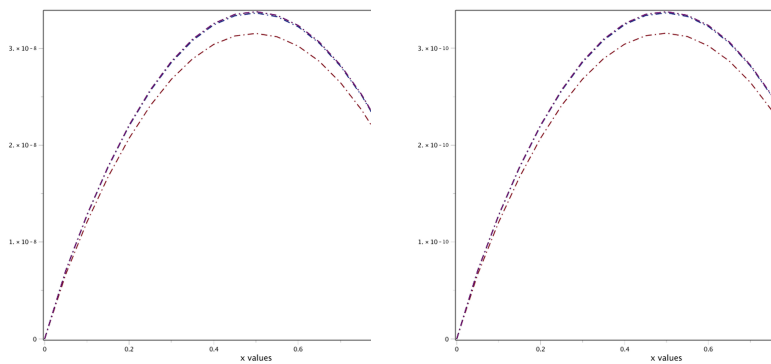
t	x	MQQI-MOL	FDS4[5]	ADM[14]	ADM[13]	VAM[3]
0.05	0.1	7.0382E-09	1.2646E-09	1.9372E-07	1.8741E-08	1.8741E-08
	0.5	1.6222E-08	1.9770E-08	1.9373E-07	1.8741E-08	1.8741E-08
	0.9	6.6906E-09	4.6018E-08	1.9375E-07	1.8741E-08	1.8741E-08
0.1	0.1	9.8913E-09	6.3953E-09	3.8743E-07	3.7481E-08	3.7481E-08
	0.5	2.4936E-08	3.9956E-08	3.8746E-07	3.7481E-08	1.3748E-08
	0.9	9.3660E-09	7.6633E-08	3.8749E-07	3.7481E-08	3.7481E-08
1	0.1	1.2788E-08	3.2922E-07	3.8750E-06	3.7481E-07	3.7481E-07
	0.5	3.3792E-08	3.7922E-07	3.8753E-06	3.7481E-07	3.7481E-07
	0.9	1.2081E-08	4.2922E-07	3.8756E-06	3.7481E-07	3.7481E-07





(a) Plot of the exact and numerical solutions for B-H equation with  $\gamma = 0.001$ .  
 (b) Plot of the exact and numerical solutions for B-H equation with  $\gamma = 0.0001$ .

FIGURE 5. The comparison between exact and approximate solution for B-H equation with the coefficients  $\alpha = 1, \beta = 1, \delta = 1$  in interval  $0 \leq x \leq 1$  at  $t = 1$ .



(a) The error of the approximate solution for B-H equation with  $\gamma = 0.001$  at  $t = 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8$  and  $1$ .  
 (b) The error of the approximate solution for B-H equation with  $\gamma = 0.0001$  at  $t = 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8$  and  $1$ .

FIGURE 6. The error of the approximate solution for B-H equation with the coefficients  $\alpha = 1, \beta = 1, \delta = 1$  in interval  $0 \leq x \leq 1$  at different time levels.



## 5. CONCLUSION

The multiquadric quasi-interpolation method that uses the method of lines has been described. To improve the MQ quasi-interpolation accuracy, we use method of lines. In conventional methods for the solution of PDEs researchers use MQ quasi-interpolation and finite difference method for spatial and time derivatives respectively. Because these methods do not have satisfactory accuracy, we combine MQ quasi-interpolation approach with method of lines. In the first step the spatial derivatives are approximated by MQ quasi-interpolation operator. So the PDE reduced to a system of ODEs. Then we applied the classical fourth-order Runge-Kutta scheme for solving this system. From comparison the results of the presented method to other methods such as ADM, VIM, Galerkin method, finite difference method, and modified cubic B-spline differential quadrature method, it is observed that our method is reliable and posses high accuracy.

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