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# An approximation to the solution of Benjamin-Bona-Mahony-Burgers equation

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#### Abstract In this paper, numerical solution of the Benjamin-Bona-Mahony-Burgers(BBMB) equation is obtained by using the mesh-free method based on the collocation method with radial basis functions(RBFs). Stability analysis of the method is discussed. The method is applied to several examples and accuracy of the method is tested in terms of $L_2$ and $L_{\infty}$ error norms.

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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

The mathematical model of propagation of small-amplitude long waves in nonlinear dispersive media is described by the following Benjamin-Bona-Malony-Burgers (BBMB) equation:

$$u_t - u_{xxt} - \alpha u_{xx} + \beta u_x + \gamma u u_x = 0, \ (x,t) \in \Omega \times (0,T], \tag{1.1}$$

with the boundary conditions:

$$u(a,t) = g_1(t), \quad u(b,t) = g_2(t), \ t \in (0,T],$$
(1.2)

and initial condition

$$u(x,0) = f(x), \ x \in \Omega.$$

$$(1.3)$$

where  $\Omega = (0, 1)$  and  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma > 0$ . The BBMB problem has been numerically tackled and investigated by many authors. A spline collocation method for approximating the solution of (1.1) can be found in Manickam et al. [8]. A mesh-free method based on radial basis function will discussed in this paper for finding approximate solution of BBMB equation. This method introduced by Hardy in 1971 [6]. Kansa [5] in 1990 used modified MQ scheme to solve partial differential equations. So, Frank in 1982, observed radial basis function is better than all other methods regarding efficiency,

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stability, uniqueness. Also convergence of the method was discussed by Michelson [10], Michelli [9] and Frank [4].

We apply this method by RBFs such as:  $\phi(r) = \sqrt{r^2 + c^2}(MQ)$ ,  $\phi(r) = 1/(r^2 + c^2)(IQ)$ ,  $\phi(r) = 1/\sqrt{r^2 + c^2}(IMQ)$  and  $\phi(r) = exp(-c^2r^2)(GA)$  to obtain solution of BBMB equation.

The layout of this paper is as follows. In section 2, we will illustrate how the RBFs method may be used to Equation (1.1) by an explicit system of algebraic equations. Section 3, is devoted to stability analysis of the method. In section 4, several examples are solved and accuracy of numerical scheme is tested. In section 5, we conclude our results.

### 2. Structure of the method

We consider the BBMB equation

$$u_t - u_{xxt} - \alpha u_{xx} + \beta u_x + \gamma u u_x = 0, \qquad a \le x \le b, \quad t \ge 0, \tag{2.1}$$

with the initial and boundary conditions

$$u(x,0) = f(x),$$
  $a < x < b,$  (2.2)

(2.3)

$$u(a,t) = g_1(t), \quad u(b,t) = g_2(t), \qquad t \ge 0.$$
 (2.4)

By applying Crank-Nicolson scheme to Equation (2.1) we obtain:

$$\left[\frac{u^{n+1}-u^n}{\partial t}\right] - \left[\frac{(u_{xx})^{n+1}-(u_{xx})^n}{\partial t}\right] - \alpha \left[\frac{(u_{xx})^{n+1}+(u_{xx})^n}{2}\right] + \beta \left[\frac{(u_x)^{n+1}+(u_x)^n}{2}\right] + \gamma \left[\frac{(uu_x)^{n+1}+(uu_x)^n}{2}\right] = 0.$$
(2.5)

Where  $u^{n+1} = u(x, t^{n+1}), t^{n+1} = t^n + \delta t$  and  $\delta t$  is the time step.

The term  $(uu_x)^{n+1}$  in above equation shows that Equation (2.5) is nonlinear. For linearization this term we apply following formula:

$$(uu_x)^{n+1} \approx u^n u_x^{n+1} + u^{n+1} u_x^n - u^n u_x^n.$$
(2.6)

Substituting Equation (2.6) in Equation (2.5) we will have

$$u^{n+1} - u^{n+1}_{xx} + \frac{\delta t}{2} \left[ -\alpha (u_{xx})^{n+1} + \beta (u_x)^{n+1} + \gamma (u)^{n+1} u^n_x + \gamma (u)^n u^{n+1}_x \right]$$
  
=  $u^n - u^n_{xx} - \frac{\delta t}{2} \left[ -\alpha (u_{xx})^n + \beta (u_x)^n \right],$  (2.7)

where  $u^n$  is approximate solution in *nth* time step. Let us approximate the solution of Equation (2.1) by:

$$u^{n}(x_{i}) = \sum_{j=0}^{N} \lambda_{j}^{n} \varphi(r_{ij}), \qquad (2.8)$$



where  $\phi$  is radial basis function.  $r_{ij} = ||x_i - x_j||$  is Euclidian distance,  $x_j = a + j\delta x$ , j = 0(1)N are centers in [a,b], and  $x_i = a + i\delta x$  are collocation points in [a,b]. Using Equation (2.7) and (2.8), for  $x_i, i = 1(1)N$  we get the following equation:

$$\sum_{j=0}^{N} \lambda_{j}^{n+1} \varphi(r_{ij}) - \sum_{j=0}^{N} \lambda_{j}^{n+1} \varphi^{''}(r_{ij}) + \frac{\delta t}{2} \left[ -\alpha \sum_{j=0}^{N} \lambda_{j}^{n+1} \varphi^{''}(r_{ij}) + \beta \sum_{j=0}^{N} \lambda_{j}^{n+1} \varphi^{'}(r_{ij}) \right] \\ +\gamma \sum_{j=0}^{N} \lambda_{j}^{n+1} \varphi(r_{ij}) \sum_{j=0}^{N} \lambda_{j}^{n} \varphi^{'}(r_{ij}) + \gamma \sum_{j=0}^{N} \lambda_{j}^{n} \varphi(r_{ij}) \sum_{j=0}^{N} \lambda_{j}^{n+1} \varphi^{'}(r_{ij}) \right] \\ = \sum_{j=0}^{N} \lambda_{j}^{n} \varphi(r_{ij}) - \sum_{j=0}^{N} \lambda_{j}^{n} \varphi^{''}(r_{ij}) - \frac{\delta t}{2} \left[ -\alpha \sum_{j=0}^{N} \lambda_{j}^{n} \varphi^{''}(r_{ij}) + \beta \sum_{j=0}^{N} \lambda_{j}^{n} \varphi^{'}(r_{ij}) \right], \quad (2.9)$$

where  $\varphi'(r_{ij}) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \varphi(||x - x_j||)|_{x=x_i}$  and  $\varphi''(r_{ij}) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \varphi(||x - x_j||)|_{x=x_i}$  and i = 1(1)N - 1. Also, from Equation (2.8) and (2.4) we obtain following equation for the boundary conditions,

$$\sum_{j=0}^{N} \lambda_j^{n+1} \varphi(r_{0j}) = g_1(t), \quad \sum_{j=0}^{N} \lambda_j^{n+1} \varphi(r_{Nj}) = g_2(t).$$
(2.10)

The system (2.9) and (2.10) contain N+1 equations and N+1 unknowns  $\lambda_j^{n+1}$  which can be obtain by Gaussian elimination method. First, we find value of  $u^0$  from initial condition and then determine value of  $\lambda_j^0$  from Equation (2.8). Matrix form of this system can be written as:

$$[A_1 - D_2 + \frac{\delta t}{2} [-\alpha D_2 + \beta D_1 + \gamma (A_2 * u_x^n + u^n * D_1)]]\lambda_j^{n+1}$$
  
=  $[A_2 - D_2 - \frac{\delta t}{2} (-\alpha D_2 + \beta D_1)]\lambda_j^n + G^{n+1},$  (2.11)

where  $A_1 = [\varphi(r_{ij})]_{i,j=0}^N$  and

$$A_2 = [\varphi(r_{ij}) : 1 \le i \le N - 1, \ 0 \le j \le N \text{ and } 0 \text{ elsewhere}],$$

 $D_k = [\varphi^{(k)}(r_{ij}) : 1 \le i \le N - 1, \ 0 \le j \le N \text{ and } 0 \text{ elsewhere}], \ k = 1, 2,$ 

$$G^{n+1} = [g_1^{n+1}(t), 0, \dots, 0, g_2^{n+1}(t)]^T,$$

and

$$u^n = A_2 \lambda^n, \qquad u^n_x = D_1 \lambda^n.$$

The symbol "\*" means the *ith* component of the vector  $u^n$  and  $u_x^n$  are multiplied to all element in the *ith* row of the matrices  $D_1$  and  $A_2$  respectively. By attention to Equation (2.11), we have:

$$\lambda^{n+1} = M^{-1}N\lambda^n + M^{-1}G^{n+1},$$
(2.12)

where

$$M = [A_1 - D_2 + \frac{\delta t}{2} [-\alpha D_2 + \beta D_1 + \gamma (A_2 * u_x^n + u^n * D_1)]],$$
$$N = [A_2 - D_2 - \frac{\delta t}{2} [-\alpha D_2 + \beta D_1]].$$

by using Equation (2.8) and (2.12) we can write

$$u^{n+1} = A_1 M^{-1} N A_1^{-1} u^n + A_1 M^{-1} G^{n+1}.$$
(2.13)

From Equation (2.13) we can find the solution at any time level n. For distinct collocation points,  $A_1$  is always invertible [9]. Invertibility of matrix M cannot be provide, but in case of parameter-dependent RBFs, invertibility of M depends on shape parameters c. Optimal value of c calculate numerically in any problem.

# Algorithm

- 1. choose N collocation point from the domain set [a,b].
- 2. choose the parameter  $\delta t$ .
- 3. Obtain the initial solution  $u^0$  from Equation (2.2) and then find  $\lambda^0 = A_1^{-1} u^0$  from Equation (2.8). 4. The parameters  $\lambda_j^{n+1}$  are calculate from Equation (2.12).
- 5. Finally,  $u^{n+1}$  at the successive time levels is obtained from step 4 and Equation (2.13).

## 3. STABILITY ANALYSIS

In this section we discuss stability of presented scheme (2.11), using the matrix method. To apply this method, we have linearized the non-linear term  $uu_x$  by assuming u as a constant. The error  $e^n$  at the *nth* time level is given by:

$$e^n = u^n_{exact} - u^n_{app}, aga{3.1}$$

where  $u_{exact}^n$  and  $u_{app}^n$  are the exact and approximate solution at the *nth* time level respectively. The error equation for Equation (1.1) is as follows:

$$[H + \frac{\delta t}{2}K]e^{n+1} = [B - \frac{\delta t}{2}K]e^n, \qquad (3.2)$$

where  $K = [-\alpha D_2 + \beta D_1]A_1^{-1}$ ,  $H = [A_1 - D_2]A_1^{-1}$  and  $B = [A_2 - D_2]A_1^{-1}$ . Let  $P = [H + \frac{\delta t}{2}K]^{-1}[B - \frac{\delta t}{2}K]$ , now we can write Equation (3.2) as follow:

$$e^{n+1} = Pe^n. aga{3.3}$$

Numerical scheme is stable if  $||P||_2 \leq 1$ , which is equivalent to  $\rho(P) \leq 1$ , where  $\rho(P)$ denotes the spectral radius of the matrix P. By attention to above subjects, stability is assured if maximum eigenvalue of P satisfied in below condition:

$$\left|\frac{\lambda_B - \frac{\delta t}{2}\lambda_K}{\lambda_H + \frac{\delta t}{2}\lambda_K}\right| \le 1,\tag{3.4}$$



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where  $\lambda_H$ ,  $\lambda_B$  and  $\lambda_K$ , are eigenvalue of the matrices H, B and K, respectively. For real eigenvalues, the inequality (3.4) hold true if  $-\lambda_H \leq \lambda_B$  and  $\lambda_B \leq \lambda_H + \lambda_K \delta t$ . This shows that the scheme (2.11), is stable if

$$-\lambda_H \le \lambda_B \le \lambda_H + \lambda_K \delta t. \tag{3.5}$$

For complex eigenvalue  $\lambda_B = a_b + ib_b$ ,  $\lambda_H = a_h + ib_h$  and  $\lambda_K = a_k + ib_k$ , where  $a_b, b_b, a_h, b_h, a_k$  and  $b_k$  are real numbers, Equation (3.2) takes the following form:

$$\left|\frac{(a_{b} - \frac{\delta t}{2}a_{k}) + i(b_{b} - \frac{\delta t}{2}b_{k})}{(a_{h} + \frac{\delta t}{2}a_{k}) + i(b_{h} + \frac{\delta t}{2}b_{k})}\right| \le 1.$$
(3.6)

The Equation (3.6) is satisfied if:

$$\delta t[a_k(a_b + a_h) + b_k(b_h + b_b)] + (b_h^2 - b_b^2) \ge 0, \tag{3.7}$$

and the scheme is stable.

The stability of the scheme (2.11) and conditioning of the component matrices H, Kand B of the matrix P depend on the minimum distance between any two collocation points  $\delta x$ , in the domain set [a, b], and the local shape parameter c.

## 4. NUMERICAL SOLUTION

In this section we consider examples that solved by presented method in previous section. In order to illustrate the accuracy of the method, we used the error norm  $L_2$  and  $L_{\infty}$  which are defined as follows:

$$L_2 = \|u^{exact} - u^{app}\|_2 = [\delta x \sum_{j=0}^{N} (u^{exact} - u^{app})^2]^{1/2},$$
(4.1)

(4.2)

$$L_{\infty} = \|u^{exact} - u^{app}\|_{\infty} = \max_{j} |u^{exact} - u^{app}|,$$
(4.3)

where  $\delta x$  is spatial step.

#### **Example 4.1.** Consider the BBMB equation

$$u_t - u_{xxt} - \alpha u_{xx} + \beta u_x + \gamma u u_x = 0, \qquad (4.4)$$

with the following initial condition:

$$u(x,0) = \sin x. \tag{4.5}$$

Exact solution of the above problem is given by

$$u(x,t) = e^{-t}\sin x,\tag{4.6}$$

where  $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 1$ . The boundary conditions are taken from the exact solution. We solved the Example 4.1 for different values of t,  $\delta t = 0.02$ , N = 20 and [a,b]=[-10,10]. We used MQ, IMQ and GA radial basis functions with shape parameter respectively 0.001, 0.01 and 4.5. Table 1 shows the  $L_2$  and  $L_{\infty}$  in t = 0.02, 1, 10, 15.



RBF	Time	$L_{\infty}$	$L_2$
GA			
	0.02	$4.66869 \times 10^{-4}$	$1.44763 \times 10^{-3}$
	1	$8.8652\times10^{-3}$	$2.74763  imes 10^{-2}$
	10	$1.2221\times 10^{-5}$	$3.78939  imes 10^{-5}$
	15	$1.31572 \times 10^{-7}$	$4.07967 \times 10^{-7}$
MQ			
-	0.02	$9.67623  imes 10^{-5}$	$2.30278 \times 10^{-4}$
	1	$1.84825 \times 10^{-3}$	$4.32048 \times 10^{-3}$
	10	$2.56153 \times 10^{-6}$	$6.13605 \times 10^{-6}$
	15	$2.779\times 10^{-8}$	$7.00093 \times 10^{-8}$
IMQ			
•	0.02	$1.30952 \times 10^{-6}$	$4.02232 \times 10^{-6}$
	1	$2.45495  imes 10^{-5}$	$7.54975  imes 10^{-5}$
	10	$3.02594\times10^{-8}$	$9.32299  imes 10^{-8}$
	15	$3.05851 \times 10^{-10}$	$9.42446 \times 10^{-10}$

TABLE 1.Numerical results for Example 4.1.

TABLE 2.  $L_{\infty}$  and  $L_2$  norm with increasing N for Example 4.1.

RBF	Ν	$L_{\infty}$	$L_2$
MQ			
	20	$2.88619 \times 10^{-10}$	$7.31725 \times 10^{-10}$
	40	$1.09293  imes 10^{-9}$	$3.00421 \times 10^{-9}$
	60	$3.25813 \times 10^{-9}$	$9.56447 \times 10^{-9}$
GA			
	20	$1.26062 \times 10^{-9}$	$3.90885 \times 10^{-9}$
	40	$1.48735 \times 10^{-9}$	$4.56714 \times 10^{-9}$
	60	$1.25202 \times 10^{-8}$	$3.70878 \times 10^{-8}$
IMQ			
	20	$2.74808 \times 10^{-12}$	$8.46838 \times 10^{-12}$
	40	$2.89735 \times 10^{-12}$	$8.87604 \times 10^{-12}$
	60	$3.11628 \times 10^{-12}$	$9.47935 \times 10^{-12}$

Table 1 shows that IMQ has better accuracy than MQ and GA. The value of  $L_{\infty}$  and  $L_2$  with increasing N in t = 20 is shown in Table 2.

**Example 4.2.** Consider the BBMB Equation (1.1) with initial condition

$$u(x,0) = \operatorname{sech}^2(x/4), \ x \in R,$$
(4.7)

and exact solution

$$u(x,t) = sech^2 \left(\frac{x}{4} - \frac{1}{3}t\right),$$
 (4.8)





FIGURE 1. The surface shows the exact solution of BBMB Equation (4.4) when  $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 1$ .

TABLE 3. Numerical results for Example 4.2.

RBF	Time	$L_{\infty}$	$L_2$
MQ			
	0.1	$9.61141 \times 10^{-7}$	$1.33296 \times 10^{-6}$
	0.5	$5.62261 \times 10^{-6}$	$6.75616 \times 10^{-6}$
	1	$1.39236 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.40979 \times 10^{-5}$
	2	$4.72334 \times 10^{-5}$	$3.82213 \times 10^{-5}$
IQ			
	0.1	$5.88745 \times 10^{-7}$	$1.0765 \times 10^{-6}$
	0.5	$2.08331 \times 10^{-6}$	$4.41492 \times 10^{-6}$
	1	$3.98593  imes 10^{-6}$	$8.67292 \times 10^{-6}$
	2	$7.82587  imes 10^{-6}$	$1.71645 \times 10^{-5}$
IMQ			
	0.1	$1.0724 \times 10^{-6}$	$2.57134 \times 10^{-6}$
	0.5	$3.1115 \times 10^{-6}$	$6.35206 \times 10^{-6}$
	1	$5.44985 \times 10^{-6}$	$1.14811 \times 10^{-5}$
	2	$9.1596 \times 10^{-6}$	$1.98248 \times 10^{-5}$

where  $\beta = \gamma = 1$  and  $\alpha = 0$  and this equation is said BBM equation. Tables 3 shows numerical results, for  $\delta t = 0.02$ , N = 60, [a,b]=[-10,10], c(MQ) = 1.1, c(IMQ) = 2.5 and c(IQ) = 2.5. Table 4 shows accuracy with increasing N in t = 0.5.





FIGURE 2. The surface shows the exact solution of BBMB Equation (4.4) when  $\alpha = 0$  and  $\beta = \gamma = 1$ .

TABLE 4.  $L_{\infty}$  and  $L_2$  norm with increasing N for Example 4.2.

RBF	Ν	$L_{\infty}$	$L_2$
MQ			
	20	$4.91306  imes 10^{-4}$	$9.21948  imes 10^{-4}$
	40	$1.46943 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.57072 \times 10^{-5}$
	60	$5.62261 \times 10^{-6}$	$6.75616 \times 10^{-6}$
IQ			
	20	$6.59187  imes 10^{-6}$	$9.98726 \times 10^{-6}$
	40	$1.88261 \times 10^{-6}$	$4.33411 \times 10^{-6}$
	60	$2.08331  imes 10^{-6}$	$4.41492 \times 10^{-6}$
IMQ			
	20	$1.15288\times10^{-4}$	$1.64105 \times 10^{-4}$
	40	$2.20596  imes 10^{-6}$	$4.77047 \times 10^{-6}$
	60	$3.1115\times10^{-6}$	$6.35206 \times 10^{-6}$

## 5. Conclusions

In this work, we have applied mesh-free method for solution of BBMB equation based on radial basis function. The numerical results and tables show that errors are very small and this scheme is accurate and efficient approach for the solution of such type of nonlinear partial differential equations.

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