



# ERROR ESTIMATES FOR DIFFERENTIAL DIFFERENCE SCHEMES TO PSEUDO-PARABOLIC INITIAL-BOUNDARY VALUE PROBLEM WITH DELAY

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**Abstract-** We consider the one dimensional initial-boundary Sobolev problem with delay. For solving this problem numerically, we construct fourth order differential-difference scheme and obtain the error estimate for its solution. Further we use the appropriate Runge-Kutta method for the realization of our differential-difference problem.

Key Words- Sobolev Problem, Delay Difference Scheme, Error Estimate

# **1. INTRODUCTION**

We consider the initial-boundary value problem for pseudo-parabolic differential equation with delay in the domain  $\overline{Q} = \overline{\Omega} \times [0,T]$ ;  $\overline{\Omega} = [0,l]$ ,  $Q = \Omega \times (0,T]$ ,  $\Omega = (0,l)$ 

$$\frac{\partial u(x,t)}{\partial t} - a(t)\frac{\partial^3 u(x,t)}{\partial t \partial x^2} = b(t)\frac{\partial^2 u(x,t)}{\partial x^2} + c(t)u(x,t) + d(t)u(x,t-r) + f(x,t), (x,t) \in Q, \quad (1)$$

$$u(x,t) = \varphi(x,t), \ (x,t) \in \overline{\Omega} \times [-r,0], \tag{2}$$

$$u(0,t) = u(l,t) = 0, \ t \in (0,T],$$
(3)

where  $a \ge \alpha > 0$ , b, c, d, f and  $\varphi$  are sufficiently smooth functions satisfying certain regularity conditions to be specified, r > 0 represents the delay parameter.

Equations of this type arise in many areas of mechanics and physics. They are used to study heat conduction [7], homogeneous fluid flow in fissured rocks [5], shear in second order fluids [12,19] and other physical models. The important characteristic of these models is that they express the conservation of a certain quantity (mass, momentum, heat, etc.) in any sub-domain. For a discussion of existence and uniqueness results of pseudo-parabolic equations see [6,8,13,18]. Various finite difference schemes have been constructed to treat such problems [1-4] For example in [10] two difference approximation schemes to a nonlinear pseudo-parabolic equation are developed. Each of these schemes possesses a unique solution which can be obtained by an iterative procedure. Further in [17] two difference streamline diffusion schemes for solving linear Sobolev equations with convection-dominated term are given. We can see other numerical methods of this type of equations in [11, 15] (see also the references cited in them). In [9] a Crank-Nicolson-Galerkin approximation with extrapolated coefficients is presented for three cases for the nonlinear Sobolev equation along with a conjugate gradient iterative procedure which can be used efficiently to solve the different linear systems of algebraic equations arising at each step from the Galerkin method. In [20] the author study a finite volume element approximation of pseudo-parabolic equations in three spatial dimensions.

In this study, we use the method of lines for the discretization in space variable for the problem (1.1)-(1.3). The method of lines is a general technique for solving partial differential equations by typically using finite difference relationships for the spatial derivatives or the time derivative. Our aim is to get a fourth order accurate differential-difference scheme and to establish the error estimate for its solution.

#### 2. CONSTRUCTION OF THE SCHEME

On the  $\overline{\Omega}$ , we introduce the uniform mesh  $\omega_h = \{x_i = ih, i = 1, 2, ..., N - 1, h = l / N\}$ and denote

$$g_{\bar{x}x,i} = \frac{g_{i+1} - 2g_i + g_{i-1}}{h^2}$$

for any mesh function  $g_i$ .

To construct the difference scheme, we will use the following relation which is valid for any  $g(x) \in C^6[x_{i-1}, x_{i+1}]$ 

$$\frac{1}{12} \Big[ g''(x_{i+1}) + 10g''(x_i) + g''(x_{i-1}) \Big] = g_{\bar{x}x,i} + \bar{R}_i, \tag{4}$$

where

$$\overline{R}_{i} = h^{-1} \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_{i+1}} \frac{\partial^{6} g}{\partial x^{6}} (\xi_{i}) \Lambda(\xi) d\xi,$$

$$\Lambda(\xi) = \begin{cases} \frac{h}{72} (x_{i+1} - \xi)^{3} - \frac{h^{-1}}{120} (x_{i+1} - \xi)^{5}, \xi > x_{i} \\ \frac{h}{72} (\xi - x_{i-1})^{3} - \frac{h^{-1}}{120} (\xi - x_{i-1})^{5}, \xi < x_{i} \end{cases}$$

Let  $x = x_i$  in (1)

$$\frac{\partial u(x_i,t)}{\partial t} - a(t)\frac{\partial^3 u(x_i,t)}{\partial t \partial x^2} = b(t)\frac{\partial^2 u(x_i,t)}{\partial x^2} + c(t)u(x_i,t) + d(t)u(x_i,t-r) + f(x_i,t), x_i \in \mathcal{O}_h, t \in (0,T]$$
(5)

Using formula (4) in (5), we obtain

$$\frac{1}{12} \Big[ u_{i+1}'(t) + 10u_i'(t) + u_{i-1}'(t) \Big] - a(t)u_{\bar{x}x,i}'(t) = b(t)u_{\bar{x}x,i}(t)$$

$$+\frac{c(t)}{12}\left[u_{i+1}(t)+10u_{i}(t)+u_{i-1}(t)\right]+\frac{d(t)}{12}\left[u_{i+1}(t-r)+10u_{i}(t-r)+u_{i-1}(t-r)\right]$$

$$+\tilde{f}_{i}(t) + R_{i}(t), \ i = 1, 2, \dots N - 1,$$
(6)

$$u_i(t) = \varphi_i(t), \tag{7}$$

$$u_0(t) = u_N(t) = 0,$$
 (8)

where

$$\tilde{f}_{i}(t) = \frac{1}{12} \Big[ f_{i+1}(t) + 10 f_{i}(t) + f_{i-1}(t) \Big],$$
  

$$R_{i}(t) = a(t) \frac{h^{4}}{240} \frac{\partial^{7} u(\xi_{i}, t)}{\partial t \partial x^{6}} + b(t) \frac{h^{4}}{240} \frac{\partial^{6} u(\xi_{i}, t)}{\partial x^{6}}, \ \xi_{i} \in (x_{i-1}, x_{i+1}).$$

Taking into account the following relations

$$\frac{1}{12} \Big[ u_{i+1}'(t) + 10u_{i}'(t) + u_{i-1}'(t) \Big] = u_{i}'(t) + \frac{h^{2}}{12} u_{\bar{x}x,i}'(t),$$

$$\frac{c(t)}{12} \Big[ u_{i+1}(t) + 10u_{i}(t) + u_{i-1}(t) \Big] = c(t)u_{i}(t) + \frac{h^{2}}{12}c(t)u_{\bar{x}x,i}(t),$$

$$\frac{d(t)}{12} \Big[ u_{i+1}(t-r) + 10u_{i}(t-r) + u_{i-1}(t-r) \Big] = d(t)u_{i}(t-r) + \frac{h^{2}}{12}d(t)u_{\bar{x}x,i}(t-r)$$

and neglecting the remainder term  $R_i$  in (6), we propose the following differentialdifference scheme

$$y_{i}'(t) - \left(a(t) - \frac{h^{2}}{12}\right)y_{\bar{x}x,i}'(t) = \left(b(t) + c(t)\frac{h^{2}}{12}\right)y_{\bar{x}x,i}(t) + c(t)y_{i}(t) + d(t)y_{i}(t-r) + d(t)\frac{h^{2}}{12}y_{\bar{x}x,i}(t-r) + \tilde{f}_{i}(t), i = 1, 2, ..., N-1, t \in (0,T], \quad (9)$$

$$y_i(t) = \varphi_i(t), \ i = 0, 1, ..., N, \ t \in (0, T],$$
(10)

$$y_0(t) = y_N(t) = 0, \ t \in (0,T].$$
 (11)

For the error function  $z_i(t) = y_i(t) - u_i(t)$ , from the relations (6)-(8) and (9)-(11), we have the following differential-difference problem

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$$z_{i}'(t) - \left(a(t) - \frac{h^{2}}{12}\right) z_{\bar{x}x,i}'(t) = \left(b(t) + c(t)\frac{h^{2}}{12}\right) z_{\bar{x}x,i}(t) + c(t)z_{i}(t) + d(t)z_{i}(t-r) + d(t)\frac{h^{2}}{12} z_{\bar{x}x,i}(t-r) - R_{i}(t), \ i = 1, 2, ..., N-1$$
(12)

$$z_i(t) = 0, \ t \in (0,T],$$
 (13)

$$z_0(t) = z_N(t) = 0, \ t \in (0,T].$$
(14)

#### **3. A PRIORI ESTIMATE**

In this section, we give a lemma which is used in the next section for establishing the error estimate

**Lemma 3.1.** Let  $a,b, f \in C[0,T]$  and  $\varphi \in C[-r,0]$ . Then the solution of the following initial value problem

$$v'(t) + a(t)v(t) + b(t)v(t-r) = f(t), \ 0 < t \le T,$$
(15)

$$v(t) = \varphi(t), -r \le t \le 0,$$
 (16)

provides the following inequality

$$|v(t)| \le \left(c_0 + c_1 \int_{-r}^{0} |\varphi(\eta)| d\eta\right) e^{c_1 t}, \ 0 \le t \le T.$$
(17)

Here

$$c_{0} = (|\varphi(0)| + ||f||_{1}) \max\{1, e^{-a_{*}T}\}$$

$$c_{1} = ||b||_{\infty} \max\{1, e^{-a_{*}T}\},$$

$$a_{*} = \min_{[0,T]} a(t),$$

$$||f||_{1} = \int_{0}^{T} |f(t)| dt,$$

$$||b||_{\infty} = \max_{[0,T]} |b(t)|.$$

**Proof.** For the solution of (15)-(16), we can write

$$v(t) = v(0)e^{-\int_{0}^{t}a(\eta)d\eta} - \int_{0}^{t}b(\tau)v(\tau-r)e^{-\int_{\tau}^{t}a(\eta)d\eta}d\tau + \int_{0}^{t}f(\tau)e^{-\int_{\tau}^{t}a(\eta)d\eta}d\tau.$$

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From this relation, we get

$$|v(t)| \leq \left( |\varphi(0)| + ||f||_1 \right) \max\left\{ 1, e^{-a_*T} \right\} + ||b||_{\infty} \max\left\{ 1, e^{-a_*T} \right\} \int_0^t |v(\tau - r)| d\tau.$$
(18)

After denoting  $\delta(t) = |v(t)|$ , the inequality (18) reduces to

$$\delta(t) \le c_0 + c_1 \int_0^t \delta(\tau - r) d\tau.$$
<sup>(19)</sup>

Using variable transformation  $\tau - r = \eta$  in (19), it can be seen clearly that

$$\delta(t) \leq c_0 + c_1 \int_{-r}^{t-r} \delta(\eta) d\eta \leq c_0 + c_1 \int_{-r}^{0} |\varphi(\eta)| d\eta \text{ for } 0 < t \leq r,$$
  
$$\delta(t) \leq c_0 + c_1 \int_{-r}^{0} |\varphi(\eta)| d\eta + c_1 \int_{0}^{t-r} \delta(\eta) d\eta \text{ for } t > r.$$

From here, by virtue of Gronwall's inequality, we easily arrive at (17). 

# 4. THE ERROR ESTIMATE

Now we give the main result of this paper.

**Theorem 4.1.** Let the derivatives  $\frac{\partial^7 u}{\partial t \partial x^6}, \frac{\partial^6 u}{\partial x^6}$  are bounded on the  $\overline{Q}$  and  $\alpha - \frac{h^2}{12} \ge \alpha_* > 0.$ 

Then the error of the problem (9)-(11) satisfies

$$|y_i(t) - u_i(t)| \le Ch^4, \ i = 0, 1, ..., N, \ t \in (0, T],$$
(20)

where C is a constant which is independent of h.

**Proof.** Let  $Z(t) = (z_1(t), z_2(t), ..., z_{N-1}(t))^T$ . Then the scheme (12)-(14) can be expressed in vector form as

$$Z'(t) + \left(a(t) - \frac{h^2}{12}\right) M Z'(t) = -\left(b(t) + \frac{c(t)h^2}{12}\right) M Z(t) + c(t) Z(t) + d(t) Z(t-r)$$
  
$$-\frac{d(t)h^2}{12} M Z(t-r) + \Re(t),$$
  
$$Z(0) = \mathbf{0},$$
  
(21)  
(22)

where

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$$\Re(t) = \left(R_{1}(t), R_{2}(t), \dots, R_{N-1}(t)\right)^{T},$$
$$M = \frac{1}{h^{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \cdots 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \cdots 0 \\ \vdots & & \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The matrix M can be diagonalized as [14, 16]

$$M = B^{-1} diagonal (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, ..., \lambda_{N-1}) B,$$
  
with

$$B = B^{-1} = (b_{ik})_{i,k=1}^{N-1} = \left( (-1)^{i+k} \sqrt{\frac{2}{N}} \sin \frac{\pi i k}{N} \right)_{i,k=1}^{N-1},$$
$$\lambda_i = \frac{4}{h^2} \cos^2 \left( \frac{\pi i}{2N} \right), \ i = 1, \dots, N-1.$$

Multiplying equation (21) on the left by B and denoting

$$BZ(t) = \Psi(t) = (\psi_1(t), \psi_2(t), ..., \psi_{N-1}(t))^T,$$
  

$$B\Re(t) = \Phi(t) = (\phi_1(t), \phi_2(t), ..., \phi_{N-1}(t))^T,$$

the initial-value problem (21)-(22) is turned into the decomposed system as :

$$\psi_{s}'(t) + \left(a(t) - \frac{h^{2}}{12}\right)\lambda_{s}\psi_{s}'(t) = -\left(b(t) + \frac{c(t)h^{2}}{12}\right)\lambda_{s}\psi_{s}(t) + c(t)\psi_{s}(t) + d(t)\psi_{s}(t-r) - \frac{d(t)h^{2}}{12}\lambda_{s}\psi_{s}(t-r) + \phi_{s}(t), s = 1, 2, ..., N-1,$$
(23)

$$\psi_s(0) = 0, s = 1, 2, ..., N-1.$$
 (24)

If we rewrite (23) in the form

$$\psi_{s}'(t) + \frac{\left(b(t) + \frac{c(t)h^{2}}{12}\right)\lambda_{s} - c(t)}{1 + \lambda_{s}\left(a(t) - \frac{h^{2}}{12}\right)}\psi_{s}(t) + \frac{\frac{d(t)h^{2}}{12}\lambda_{s} - d(t)}{1 + \lambda_{s}\left(a(t) - \frac{h^{2}}{12}\right)}\psi_{s}(t-r) = \frac{\phi_{s}(t)}{1 + \lambda_{s}\left(a(t) - \frac{h^{2}}{12}\right)}$$

with

$$A_{s}(t) = \frac{\left(b(t) + \frac{c(t)h^{2}}{12}\right)\lambda_{s} - c(t)}{1 + \lambda_{s}\left(a(t) - \frac{h^{2}}{12}\right)}, \quad B_{s}(t) = \frac{\frac{d(t)h^{2}}{12}\lambda_{s} - d(t)}{1 + \lambda_{s}\left(a(t) - \frac{h^{2}}{12}\right)}$$

and after then we apply Lemma 3.1, we conclude

$$\left|\psi_{s}\left(t\right)\right| \leq \left\|\frac{\phi_{s}}{1+\lambda_{s}\left(a-\frac{h^{2}}{12}\right)}\right\|_{1} \max\left\{1,e^{-A_{s}T}\right\}e^{c_{1,s}t},$$
(25)

where

$$A_{*} = \min_{[0,T]} A_{s}(t) , \quad c_{1,s} = \|B_{s}\|_{\infty} \max\{1, e^{-A \cdot T}\}$$

 $A_*$  and  $c_{1,s}$  are uniformly bounded independently of h.

For  $A_s$ , it can be written that

$$|A_{s}(t)| \leq \left| \frac{\left(b(t) + \frac{c(t)h^{2}}{12}\right)\lambda_{s}}{1 + \lambda_{s}\left(a(t) - \frac{h^{2}}{12}\right)} \right| + \left| \frac{c(t)}{1 + \lambda_{s}\left(a(t) - \frac{h^{2}}{12}\right)} \right|.$$
(26)

Also as  $\alpha - \frac{h^2}{12} \ge \alpha_* > 0$  and  $\lambda_s$  constants are bounded below with  $\lambda_1$ , it follows that  $1 + \lambda_s \left( a(t) - \frac{h^2}{12} \right) \ge \alpha_0 > 0.$  (27)

Taking then into account (27) in (26), we get

$$|A_{s}(t)| \leq \frac{\left(\|b\|_{\infty} + \frac{\|c\|_{\infty}h^{2}}{12}\right)\lambda_{s}}{1 + \lambda_{s}\alpha_{*}} + \alpha_{0}^{-1}\|c\|_{\infty}$$
$$\leq \alpha_{*}^{-1}\left(\|b\|_{\infty} + \frac{\|c\|_{\infty}h^{2}}{12}\right) + \alpha_{0}^{-1}\|c\|_{\infty}.$$

If we pay attention to  $h \le \frac{l}{2}$ , then it follows that

$$|A_{s}(t)| \leq \alpha_{*}^{-1} \left( \|b\|_{\infty} + \frac{\|c\|_{\infty} l^{2}}{48} \right) + \alpha_{0}^{-1} \|c\|_{\infty}.$$

In the similar way, for  $B_s$  we obtain

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$$|B_{s}(t)| \leq \alpha_{*}^{-1} ||d||_{\infty} \frac{l^{2}}{48} + \alpha_{0}^{-1} ||c||_{\infty}.$$

Thereby the constants  $A_*$  and  $c_{1,s}$  are bounded independently of h. Therefore the inequality (25) yields

$$\left|\psi_{s}\left(t\right)\right| \leq C\lambda_{s}^{-1}\alpha_{*}^{-1}\left\|\phi_{s}\right\|_{1}.$$
(28)

Since

$$\left|\phi_{s}(t)\right| \leq \sum_{k=1}^{N} \left|b_{sk}\right| \left|R_{k}\right| \leq \sqrt{\frac{2}{N}} \sum_{k=1}^{N} \left|R_{k}\right| \leq \sqrt{\frac{2}{N}} (N-1)Ch^{4} \leq C\sqrt{N}h^{4} \leq Ch^{3.5},$$

the inequality (28) leads to

$$\left|\psi_{s}(t)\right| \leq \alpha_{*}^{-1} \lambda_{s}^{-1} C h^{3.5}.$$

Further, from the relation

$$z_i(t) = \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} b_{ik} \psi_k$$

we then obtain

$$\left|z_{i}(t)\right| \leq \alpha_{*}^{-1} C h^{3.5} \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \lambda_{k}^{-1} \left|b_{ik}\right| \leq C h^{3.5} \sqrt{\frac{2}{N}} \left(N-1\right) \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \frac{h^{2}}{4 \cos^{2}\left(\frac{\pi k}{2N}\right)} \leq C h^{4} h^{2} \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \frac{1}{4 \sin^{2}\left(\frac{\pi \left(N-k\right)}{2N}\right)}.$$
 (29)

Taking into account the following inequality

$$\sin x > \frac{2}{\pi} x, \ 0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2},$$
  
in (4.10) ,consequently we obtain  
 $|z_i(t)| \le Ch^6 \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \frac{1}{\frac{4}{\pi^2} \left(\frac{\pi (N-k)}{2N}\right)^2} = Ch^6 N^2 \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \frac{1}{(N-k)^2} \le Ch^4.$ 

## 5. NUMERICAL EXAMPLE AND CONCLUSION

Consider the problem  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial^3 u}{\partial t \partial x^2} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + t^2 u(x, t-1) - \sin(\pi x) (e^{-t} + t^2), (x, t) \in [0, 1] \times (0, 2],$  $u(x,t) = \sin(\pi x), (x,t) \in [0,1] \times [-1,0],$  $u(0,t) = u(1,t) = 0, t \in (0,2].$ 

The exact solution of this problem is

$$u(x,t) = \begin{cases} e^{-t} \sin(\pi x), & t \in (0,1] \\ (e^{\frac{t+\pi^2}{1+\pi^2}} (2\pi^6 + 6\pi^4 + 5\pi^2 + 1)/\pi^2 - ((2\pi^6 + 6\pi^4 + 6\pi^2 + 2)e - \pi^2)/(1+\pi^2) \\ + (e^t (1+1/\pi^2) + 2te(\pi^2 + 1)^2 + t^2e(\pi^2 + 1) - 1)/(1+\pi^2))e^{-t} \sin(\pi x), & t \in (1,2] \end{cases}$$

To solve this problem numerically, we use the appropriate Runge-Kutta method. The spatial and time steps are both taken to be 0.1. The values for exact and numerical solutions and appropriate pointwise errors are shown in Table 1 and Table 2.

(x,t)	Exact Solution	R.K. Approximation	Pointwise Error	
(0.1,0.1)	0.2796101393	0.27965712282	$4.698352 \times 10^{-5}$	
(0.2,0.2)	0.4812378623	0.48132723027	8.936797x10 <sup>-5</sup>	
(0.3,0.3)	0.5993345303	0.5994575349	1.230046x10 <sup>-5</sup>	
(0.4,0.4)	0.6375122478	0.6376568482	$1.446004 \mathrm{x} 10^{-4}$	
(0.5,0.5)	0.6065306597	0.6066827016	$1.520419 \times 10^{-4}$	
(0.6,0.6)	0.5219508827	0.5220954831	$1.446004 \mathrm{x} 10^{-4}$	
(0.7,0.7)	0.4017459499	0.4018689545	$1.230046 \times 10^{-4}$	
(0.8,0.8)	0.2641089385	0.26419830647	$8.936797 \times 10^{-5}$	
(0.9,0.9)	0.1256369343	0.12568391782	$4.698352 \times 10^{-5}$	

Table 1. The results on  $[0,1] \times [0,1]$ 

Table 2. The results on  $[0,1] \times [1,2]$ 

(x,t)	Exact Solution	R.K. Approximation	Pointwise Error
(0.1,1.1)	16.4311515638	16.4312156615	$6.40977 \times 10^{-5}$
(0.2,1.2)	28.540363147	28.5404850681	$1.219211 \times 10^{-4}$
(0.3,1.3)	35.872352318	35.872520128	$1.678100 \times 10^{-4}$
(0.4,1.4)	38.5102577648	38.5104550372	$1.972724 \mathrm{x} 10^{-4}$
(0.5,1.5)	36.9781050461	36.9783124708	$2.074245 \times 10^{-4}$
(0.6,1.6)	32.1168015304	32.1169988028	$1.972724 \mathrm{x} 10^{-4}$
(0.7,1.7)	24.9500651436	24.9502329536	$1.678100 \times 10^{-4}$
(0.8,1.8)	16.5549350971	16.5550570182	$1.219211 \times 10^{-4}$
(0.9,1.9)	7.9486324554	7.9486965531	$6.409770 \times 10^{-5}$

It can be concluded that numerical results are consistent with the theoretical results.

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