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ON ONE NONLINEAR INTEGRO-DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION

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Abstract. One nonlinear integro-differential equation is considered. Large time behavior of solution as $t \to \infty$ is studied. The finite difference scheme is investigated as well. Results of the numerical experiments are given.

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In this note one nonlinear integro-differential equation is considered. This equation is a one-dimensional and one-component analog of the model which is based on the classical Maxwell system [1]. This system arises in the process of penetration of a magnetic field into a substance. To the integro-differential form at first it was reduced in the work [2].

Let us consider the following nonlinear integro-differential equation

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[a \left(\int_{0}^{t} \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial x} \right)^{2} d\tau \right) \frac{\partial U}{\partial x} \right] = 0, \qquad (1)$$

where $a = a(S) \ge a_0 = Const > 0$ is a given function of its argument.

Many scientific works are devoted to the investigation and numerical resolution of (1) type models. The existence and uniqueness of the solution of the initial-boundary value problems for (1) kind models in suitable classes have been proved in [2]-[9] and in a number of other works as well. Asymptotic behavior of solutions as $t \to \infty$ is investigated in many works also (see, for example, [8],[10]-[12] and references there in). Numerical resolution by finite difference schemes is given in the works [10],[11],[13]-[15].

The aim of this note is to study asymptotic behavior of solution and to construct approximate solutions for the initial-boundary value problem of the equation (1) with source term. The considered equation has the form

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[a \left(\int_{0}^{t} \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial x} \right)^{2} d\tau \right) \frac{\partial U}{\partial x} \right] + |U|^{q-2} U = 0, \tag{2}$$

where $q \geq 2$.

In the domain $[0,1] \times [0,\infty)$ let us consider the following initial-boundary value problem:

$$U(0,t) = U(1,t) = 0,$$

$$U(x,0) = U_0(x),$$
(3)

where $U_0 = U_0(x)$ is a given function.

It is not difficult to get the following statement.

Theorem 1. If $a(S) \ge a_0 = Const > 0$, $q \ge 2$, $U_0 \in L_2(0, 1)$ then problem (2),(3) has not more than one solution and the following asymptotic property takes place

$$\|U(x,t)\| \le Ce^{-a_0 t}.$$

Here $\|\cdot\|$ is the usual norm of the space $L_2(0,1)$.

Now let us construct the finite difference scheme for the problem (2),(3). At first in the rectangle $[0,1] \times [0,T]$ let us introduce uniform grid with mesh points denoted by $(x_i, t_j) = (ih, j\tau)$, where i = 0, 1, ..., M; j = 0, 1, ..., N with h = 1/M, $\tau = T/N$. The initial line is denoted by j = 0. The discrete approximation at (x_i, t_j) is designed by u_i^j and the exact solution to the problem (2),(3) by U_i^j .

Using usual notations and the methods of construction of difference schemes (see, for example, [16]) let us construct following finite difference scheme for the problem (2),(3):

$$\frac{u_i^{j+1} - u_i^j}{\tau} - \left\{ a \left(\tau \sum_{k=1}^{j+1} \left(u_{\bar{x},i}^k \right)^2 \right) u_{\bar{x},i}^{j+1} \right\}_x + |u_i^{j+1}|^{q-2} u_i^{j+1} = 0,$$

$$i = 1, 2, \dots M - 1; \quad j = 0, 1 \dots N - 1,$$
(4)

$$u_0^j = u_M^j = 0, \quad j = 0, 1..., N,$$
 (5)

$$u_i^0 = U_{0,i}, \quad i = 0, 1..., M.$$
 (6)

In [10] convergence of the scheme (4)-(6) without source term for the case a(S) = 1 + S is considered.

The following statement takes place.

Theorem 2. If a(S) = 1 + S, $q \ge 2$ and the initial-boundary value problem (2),(3) has the sufficiently smooth solution U = U(x, t) then the finite difference scheme (4)-(6) converges to the solution of problem (2),(3) and the following estimate is true

$$\left\| u^j - U^j \right\| \le C(\tau + h).$$

Here $\|\cdot\|$ is a discrete analog of the norm of the space $L_2(0,1)$ and C is a positive constant independent of τ and h.

Note that for solving the finite difference scheme (4)-(6) Newton's iterative process [17] is used and great number of numerical experiments are performed. These experiments agree with theoretical investigations.

The test given on the figures below (see, Fig. 1) has the form $U(x,t) = x(1-x)\sin(x+t)$.

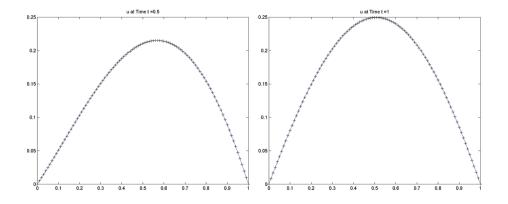


Fig. 1. The solutions at t = 0.5 and t=1. The exact solution is solid line and the numerical solution is marked by *.

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