



## Numerical Solution of Linear and Nonlinear Schrödinger Equation via Shifted Chebyshev Collocation Method

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### Abstract

The present study focuses on numerical solutions of linear and nonlinear Schrödinger equation subject to initial and boundary conditions employing shifted Chebyshev spectral collocation method (SCSCM). In the solution procedure, unknown function and its space derivatives have been approximated employing shifted Chebyshev polynomials and their derivatives, respectively, together with Chebyshev-Gauss-Lobatto points. The present collocation method transforms Schrödinger equation into a system of ordinary differential equations (ODEs). Thereafter, obtained system has been solved employing fourth order Runge-Kutta scheme. In order to demonstrate accuracy and efficiency of the present method, a comparison of present numerical solutions of different examples of Schrödinger equation with exact and approximate solutions available in literature has been discussed. The SCSCM can be implemented to solve second and higher order linear and nonlinear partial differential equations (PDEs) arising in physics, mechanics and biophysics.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

The Schrödinger equation is a PDE that depicts the wave function of a quantum-mechanical system. Schrödinger equation is quantum analogous to Newton's law in classical physics. In order to make predictions and to understand quantum mechanical systems, the Schrödinger equation is essential, in the same way as Newton's law is important to predict the motion of a physical system with given initial conditions. This equation occurs in a variety of forms, including linear, nonlinear, time-dependent and time-independent.

Consider the important nonlinear one-dimensional time-dependent Schrödinger equation [33] with cubic nonlinear term  $|w|^2w$  defined as:

$$iw_t + \phi w_{xx} + \mu |w|^2 w + \delta w = 0, \quad t \in (0, T], \quad (1.1)$$

subject to initial condition

$$w(x, 0) = g(x), \quad x \in [\alpha, \beta], \quad (1.2)$$

and Dirichlet boundary conditions

$$w(\alpha, t) = f_0(t), \quad w(\beta, t) = f_1(t), \quad (1.3)$$

where,  $i = \sqrt{-1}$ ,  $w(x, t)$  is complex-valued function,  $T$  is final time,  $\phi, \mu$  and  $\delta$  are constant parameters. Equation (1.1) becomes linear for  $\mu = 0$ .

Numerous researchers over the past few decades have been working to solve linear and nonlinear PDEs like Schrödinger equation because of widespread use of these equations to describe natural phenomena, and it is still an active area of study currently. Analytical solutions of Schrödinger equations are usually extremely challenging and

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perhaps impossible. The initial condition also affects the solution of a time-dependent Schrödinger equation. For many generic initial conditions, the analytical solutions of nonlinear Schrödinger equation are unknown. Various numerical techniques have been applied by researchers to solve nonlinear Schrödinger equation with different types of initial and boundary conditions numerically because of non-availability of its analytical solutions. It includes the spline collocation method [26], finite difference schemes (FDS) [9], quadratic B-spline finite element method [10], quartic spline finite difference method [30], split-step finite difference method [35], time-space pseudo-spectral method [12], Pade scheme [31], quintic B-spline finite element method [28], multi-quadrics (MQ) quasi-interpolation technique [14], Jacobi-Gauss-Lobatto collocation (J-GL-C) method [13], Haar wavelet collocation method (HWC) [23], Legendre spectral element method [18], HWC [24], hybrid method involving finite difference and Haar wavelets [3], Haar wavelet finite difference hybrid method [19], Crank-Nicolson method [16].

Numerical solutions of nonlinear PDEs [5, 21, 22, 25] are important from numerical perspectives and researchers adopted various numerical methods for obtaining numerical solutions for such equations. During last few decades, the spectral collocation method, one of the most effective methods, has been used to obtain the numerical solutions of different nonlinear PDEs with boundary and initial conditions [6, 7, 11, 38]. This powerful method has been chosen because of its higher convergence rate [8, 34] and this method produces excellent accuracy even with small number of collocation points. The formulation of Chebyshev polynomials based spectral collocation method is simple, requires minimum human effort and nevertheless maintains accuracy for the numerical solutions. Therefore, various researchers have applied Chebyshev collocation methods (CCM) for solving various types of differential equations numerically. Sharma et al. [29] employed CCM to study the frequencies of vibrations of polar orthotropic annular plates. Zarebnia and Jalili [37] obtained numerical solutions of different nonlinear PDEs such as Huxley, Burger's Huxley, generalized Burger's Fisher and Fisher's equations by employing Chebyshev spectral collocation method. Ashrafi et al. [4] solved Gardner and Huxley equation using spectral collocation method. Jaiswal et al. [15] applied Shifted Chebyshev polynomials operational matrix method for solving nonlinear PDEs like Burgers, Fisher, Huxley, Burgers-Huxley and Burgers-Fisher equation. Aghdam et al. [2] employed CCM of the third kind for solving space fractional diffusion equation. Mesgarani et al. [20] obtained numerical solutions of fractional Black-Scholes equation employing CCM involving second kind shifted Chebyshev polynomials. Aghdam et al. [1] solved space fractional diffusion equation by employing CCM of fourth kind. CCM of fourth kind has been employed by Safdari et al. [27] for obtaining numerical solution of space time fractional advection diffusion equation. Wang et al. [36] solved Emden-Fowler equation using Picard iteration and CCM.

Although numerous work has been done for solving Schrödinger equation but to the best of authors' knowledge, SCSCM has not yet been applied to solve Schrödinger equation. In the present paper, SCSCM has been applied with fourth order Runge-Kutta scheme to obtain approximate solution of linear and nonlinear Schrödinger equation. SCSCM employs Chebyshev polynomials for collocation purpose, which have minimax property among polynomials family with the property of orthogonality. Because of this property, the SCSCM is a significant technique for obtaining highly accurate approximate solutions of Schrödinger equation among other existing numerical techniques. In solution procedure, Chebyshev polynomials have been applied to approximate the unknown functions and its space derivatives in Schrödinger equation. These approximations give rise to a system of nonlinear ODEs. Also, the selection of collocation points is crucial for convergence and efficiency of the present method. Here, Chebyshev-Gauss-Lobatto points have been chosen to be collocation points. Thereafter, Runge-Kutta scheme of order four is applied to solve the resulting system of nonlinear ODEs. The solutions of linear and nonlinear Schrödinger equations are complex valued functions. The present method has been employed for seven examples of linear and nonlinear Schrödinger equation and  $L_\infty$  and  $L_2$  error norms in numerical solutions for different number of collocation points  $N$  have been presented to validate the accuracy and efficiency of the present method. The obtained numerical results of these examples are compared with exact and approximate solutions obtained by other numerical techniques and are shown via graphical and tabular form. It is observed that error norms get decreased by increasing the value of  $N$  and highly accurate solutions are obtained mostly for  $N=10$ . Further, the error norms for present method have been compared with error norms for other numerical methods such as HWC, MQ quasi-interpolation technique and J-GL-C method. In comparison to these approaches, the present method provides better accuracy for smaller number of collocation points. Thus, it consumes less processing time and computer memory for obtaining higher accuracies in numerical solutions.



It is revealed from Example 5.7 that both the error norms are smaller for  $\Delta t=0.0001$  and they reduce to order of  $10^{-15}$  taking  $N = 10$ . Therefore, present method is an efficient, accurate, effective and useful method to obtain the approximate solutions of linear and nonlinear Schrödinger equations. It will be helpful for the researchers and analysts who are engaged in numerical study of modelling of different linear and nonlinear physical and engineering problems. The SCSCM can be extended for solving coupled and higher dimensional linear and nonlinear Schrödinger equation.

This paper is organised as follows. Basic preliminaries of Chebyshev polynomials and shifted Chebyshev polynomials are given in section 2. Application of SCSCM for solution of Schrödinger equation is described in section 3. Section 4 presents some examples of Schrödinger equation and their numerical solutions. At last, the conclusions are discussed in section 5.

## 2. CHEBYSHEV POLYNOMIALS PRELIMINARIES

**2.1. Chebyshev polynomials of first kind.** The Chebyshev polynomials  $T_m(p)$  on  $[-1, 1]$  are given as

$$T_m(p) = \cos(m \cos^{-1} p). \tag{2.1}$$

Alternatively, these Chebyshev polynomials can also be obtained by using the following recurrence relation

$$T_m(p) = 2pT_{m-1}(p) - T_{m-2}(p), \quad m = 2, 3, \dots; \tag{2.2}$$

with  $T_0(p) = 1, T_1(p) = p$ .

The Chebyshev polynomials are orthogonal and their inner products are given as

$$\langle T_m(p), T_n(p) \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{T_m(p)T_n(p)}{\sqrt{1-p^2}} dp = \begin{cases} 0, & m \neq n, \\ \pi, & m = n = 0, \\ \pi/2, & m = n \neq 0. \end{cases} \tag{2.3}$$

where,  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-p^2}}$  is the weight function.

**2.2. Shifted Chebyshev polynomials of first kind.** The Chebyshev polynomials  $T_m(p)$  are defined on  $[-1, 1]$ . Chebyshev polynomials  $T_m^*(x)$  can be used for general interval  $[\alpha, \beta]$  by transforming this interval to the applicability range  $[-1, 1]$  using the transformation

$$p = \frac{2x - (\alpha + \beta)}{\beta - \alpha}. \tag{2.4}$$

Thus, shifted Chebyshev polynomials of first kind denoted by  $T_m^*(x)$  are given by

$$T_m^*(x) = T_m \left( \frac{2x - (\alpha + \beta)}{\beta - \alpha} \right). \tag{2.5}$$

These polynomials can be constructed using the recurrence relation

$$T_m^*(x) = 2 \left( \frac{2x - (\alpha + \beta)}{\beta - \alpha} \right) T_{m-1}^*(x) - T_{m-2}^*(x), \quad m = 2, 3, \dots \tag{2.6}$$

with  $T_0^*(x) = 1, T_1^*(x) = \frac{2x - (\alpha + \beta)}{\beta - \alpha}$ .

These polynomials also satisfy the orthogonality condition and all the properties of first kind Chebyshev polynomials.

**2.3. Derivative of shifted Chebyshev polynomials.** The first order derivative of shifted Chebyshev polynomials is given by

$$T_m^{*'}(x) = 2m\gamma \sum_{j=0, (j+m) \text{ odd}}^{m-1} a_j T_j^*(x), \tag{2.7}$$



where,  $\gamma = \frac{2}{\beta-\alpha}$  and

$$a_j = \begin{cases} 1, & 1 \leq j \leq N-1; \\ \frac{1}{2}, & j = 0, N. \end{cases} \quad (2.8)$$

### 3. SOLUTION OF SCHRÖDINGER EQUATION BY SHIFTED CHEBYSHEV SPECTRAL COLLOCATION METHOD

The Schrödinger Equation (1.1) can be rewritten as

$$w_t - i\phi w_{xx} - i\mu|w|^2w - i\delta w = 0, \quad t \in (0, T], \quad (3.1)$$

with initial condition

$$w(x, 0) = g(x), \quad x \in [\alpha, \beta], \quad (3.2)$$

and Dirichlet boundary conditions

$$w(\alpha, t) = f_0(t), \quad w(\beta, t) = f_1(t). \quad (3.3)$$

To solve the Schrödinger Equation (3.1) with given conditions (3.2) and (3.3), approximate the solution function  $w(x, t)$  using shifted Chebyshev polynomials as

$$w(x, t) = \sum_{m=0}^{N''} c_m T_m^*(x). \quad (3.4)$$

where,  $T_m^*(x)$  indicates the  $m^{\text{th}}$  shifted Chebyshev polynomial of first kind and coefficients  $c_m$  are given by [17]

$$c_m = \frac{2}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N''} T_m^*(x_k) w(x_k, t). \quad (3.5)$$

Here, the addition of first and end terms halved has been denoted by summation with double quotes. The Chebyshev-Gauss-Lobatto collocation points  $x_k$  are defined as

$$x_k = \frac{1}{2} \left( (\alpha + \beta) - (\beta - \alpha) \cos \left( \frac{\pi k}{N} \right) \right), \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, N. \quad (3.6)$$

By differentiating Equation (3.4), the derivative  $w_x(x, t)$  is approximated as

$$w_x(x, t) = \sum_{m=0}^{N''} c_m T_m^{*'}(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{N''} \left( \frac{2}{N} \sum_{m=0}^{N''} T_m^{*'}(x) T_m^*(x_k) \right) w(x_k, t).$$

Now, the derivative  $w_x(x, t)$  at collocation point  $x_j$  is given by

$$w_x(x_j, t) = \sum_{k=0}^{N''} \left( \frac{2}{N} \sum_{m=0}^{N''} T_m^{*'}(x_j) T_m^*(x_k) \right) w(x_k, t) = \sum_{k=0}^N [P_x]_{jk} w(x_k, t), \quad (3.7)$$

where,

$$[P_x]_{jk} = \frac{2a_j}{M} \sum_{m=0}^{N''} T_m^{*'}(x_j) T_m^*(x_k), \quad j, k = 0, 1, \dots, N,$$

and  $T_m^{*'}(x_j)$  and  $a_j$  are given by Equations (2.7) and (2.8) respectively.



Further, by differentiating Equation (3.7), the second order derivative at collocation point  $x_j$ ,  $w_{xx}(x_j, t)$  can be approximated as

$$\begin{aligned}
 w_{xx}(x_j, t) &= \sum_{k=0}^N [P_x]_{jk} w_x(x_k, t) \\
 &= \sum_{k=0}^N [P_x]_{jk} \left( \sum_{l=0}^N [P_x]_{kl} w(x_l, t) \right) \\
 &= \sum_{l=0}^N \left( \sum_{k=0}^N [P_x]_{jk} [P_x]_{kl} \right) w(x_l, t) \\
 &= \sum_{l=0}^N [Q_x]_{jl} w(x_l, t),
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.8}$$

where,  $[Q_x]_{jl} = \sum_{k=0}^N [P_x]_{jk} [P_x]_{kl}$ ,  $j, l = 0, 1, \dots, N$ .

Now, by using boundary conditions (3.3), Equation (3.8) can be rewritten as

$$w_{xx}(x_j, t) = D_j(t) + \sum_{l=1}^{N-1} [Q_x]_{jl} w(x_l, t), \tag{3.9}$$

where,  $D_j(t) = [Q_x]_{j0} f_0(t) + [Q_x]_{jN} f_1(t)$ .

Now, discretizing the Equation (3.1) at internal collocation points  $x_j; j = 1, 2, \dots, N - 1$ , it becomes

$$w_t(x_j, t) - i\phi w_{xx}(x_j, t) - i\mu |w(x_j, t)|^2 w(x_j, t) - i\delta w(x_j, t) = 0, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, N - 1. \tag{3.10}$$

Substituting expression (3.9) into Equation (3.10) and denoting  $w(x_j, t)$  and  $w_t(x_j, t)$  by  $w_j(t)$  and  $\dot{w}_j(t)$  respectively, leads to

$$\dot{w}_j(t) - i\phi \sum_{l=1}^{N-1} [Q_x]_{jl} w_l(t) - i\phi D_j(t) - i\mu |w_j(t)|^2 w_j(t) - i\delta w_j(t) = 0, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, N - 1, \tag{3.11}$$

along with the initial conditions

$$w_j(0) = w(x_j, 0) = g(x_j), \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, N - 1. \tag{3.12}$$

The system of ODEs (3.11) and initial conditions (3.12) can be expressed as

$$\begin{cases} \dot{w}(t) = \Psi(t, w(t)), \\ \text{and } w(0) = w_0, \end{cases} \tag{3.13}$$

where,

$$\begin{aligned}
 w(t) &= [w_1(t), w_2(t), \dots, w_{N-1}(t)]^T, \\
 \dot{w}(t) &= [\dot{w}_1(t), \dot{w}_2(t), \dots, \dot{w}_{N-1}(t)]^T, \\
 w_0 &= [w_1(0), w_2(0), \dots, w_{N-1}(0)]^T,
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Psi(t, w(t)) = [\Psi_1(t, w(t)), \Psi_2(t, w(t)), \dots, \Psi_{N-1}(t, w(t))]^T,$$

and

$$\Psi_j(t, w(t)) = i\phi \sum_{l=1}^{N-1} [Q_x]_{jl} w_l(t) + i\phi D_j(t) + i\mu |w_j(t)|^2 w_j(t) + i\delta w_j(t), \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, N - 1.$$



The system of Equations (3.13) is a system of first order simultaneous ODEs. The solution of this system at  $(i+1)^{th}$  time level  $w(t_{i+1})$ , when solution at  $i^{th}$  time level  $w(t_i)$  is known, can be obtained using fourth order Runge-Kutta scheme. This is an explicit scheme, which provides very accurate solutions. The solution  $w(t_{i+1})$  of system of ODEs (3.13) employing fourth order Runge-Kutta scheme is given as

$$w(t_{i+1}) = w(t_i) + \frac{\Delta t}{6} [\Psi(t_i, w(t_i)) + 2\Psi\left(t_i + \frac{\Delta t}{2}, w^{(1)}\right) + 2\Psi\left(t_i + \frac{\Delta t}{2}, w^{(2)}\right) + \Psi(t_i + \Delta t, w^{(3)})], \quad (3.14)$$

where,

$$\begin{aligned} w^{(1)} &= w(t_i) + \frac{1}{2}\Delta t\Psi(t_i, w(t_i)), \\ w^{(2)} &= w(t_i) + \frac{1}{2}\Delta t\Psi\left(t_i + \frac{\Delta t}{2}, w^{(1)}\right), \\ w^{(3)} &= w(t_i) + \Delta t\Psi\left(t_i + \frac{\Delta t}{2}, w^{(2)}\right). \end{aligned}$$

**3.1. Algorithm for Numerical Computation.** The algorithm for shifted Chebyshev spectral collocation method is as follows:

**Input:** Declare  $N$  (No. of collocation points),  $T$  (final time), and  $\Delta t$  (step length).

**Step 1** Compute collocation points.

**Step 2** Compute shifted Chebyshev polynomials.

**Step 3** Compute derivatives of shifted Chebyshev polynomials.

**Step 4** Compute first order and second order derivatives of function in terms of shifted Chebyshev polynomials and their derivatives.

**Step 5** Discretize Schrödinger equation at collocation points.

**Step 6** Substitute second order derivative of unknown function in discretized Schrödinger equation.

**Step 7** Formulate the system of ODEs.

**Step 8** Solve the system of ODEs using the fourth-order Runge-Kutta scheme.

**Output:** The approximate solution  $w(x, t)$  of Schrödinger equation is obtained.

#### 4. CONVERGENCE ANALYSIS

In order to examine the convergence of SCSCM, the following convergence theorems are discussed.

**Theorem 4.1.** *The polynomials  $2^{-(2m-1)}T_m^*(x)$  have the smallest norm among all  $m^{th}$  degree monic polynomials defined on the interval  $[\alpha, \beta]$  i.e.,*

$$\|2^{-(2m-1)}T_m^*(x)\| = 2^{-(2m-1)}.$$

*Proof.* It can be proved following Chebyshev's theorem (See ref. [32]). □

**Theorem 4.2.** *If  $w(x) \in L^2[a, b]$  is approximated in the form of a series of shifted Chebyshev polynomials. Then this series is strongly convergent.*

*Proof.* Let  $w(x)$  be approximated in the form of a series of shifted Chebyshev polynomials  $T_m^*(x)$  as

$$w(x) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} c_m T_m^*(x), \quad (4.1)$$

where,

$$T_m^*(x) = a_m ((x - \alpha)(\beta - x))^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{d^m}{dx^m} ((x - \alpha)(\beta - x))^{m - \frac{1}{2}}. \quad (4.2)$$

The polynomials  $T_m^*(x)$  are orthogonal w.r.t. the weight function

$$W(x) = ((x - \alpha)(\beta - x))^{-\frac{1}{2}}.$$



In Equation (4.1), the coefficients  $c_m$  are given by

$$c_m = \frac{\int_{\alpha}^{\beta} ((x - \alpha)(\beta - x))^{-\frac{1}{2}} w(x) T_m^*(x) dx}{\int_{\alpha}^{\beta} ((x - \alpha)(\beta - x))^{-\frac{1}{2}} T_m^*(x) T_m^*(x) dx}, \tag{4.3}$$

Substituting value of  $T_m^*(x)$  from Equation (4.2) and integrating the numerator and denominator, the coefficient

$$c_m = \frac{\int_{\alpha}^{\beta} ((x - \alpha)(\beta - x))^{m-\frac{1}{2}} w^{(m)}(x) dx}{m! \gamma_m \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} ((x - \alpha)(\beta - x))^{m-\frac{1}{2}} dx} = \frac{\int_{\alpha}^{\beta} W^m(x) w^{(m)}(x) dx}{m! \gamma_m \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} W^m(x) dx}, \tag{4.4}$$

where,  $\gamma_m = 2^{2m-1}$ .

The value of coefficient  $c_m$  is not more than a weighted mean with non-negative weight function, therefore

$$c_m = \frac{w^{(m)}(\varphi)}{m! \gamma_m}, \quad (\alpha \leq \varphi \leq \beta). \tag{4.5}$$

Now, writing Equation (4.1) as

$$w(x) = \sum_{m=0}^{N-1} c_m T_m^*(x) + E_N, \tag{4.6}$$

where,

$$E_N = \sum_{m=N}^{\infty} c_m T_m^*(x). \tag{4.7}$$

Now,  $\sup_{\alpha \leq x \leq \beta} |T_m^*(x)| = 1$ . Therefore, using Chebyshev truncation theorem, the bound on error

$$|E_N| \leq \sum_{m=N}^{\infty} |c_m| \approx |c_N|. \tag{4.8}$$

Now, substitution of Equation (4.5) in Equation (4.8) yields

$$|E_N| \leq \left| \frac{w^{(N)}(\varphi)}{(N)! \gamma_N} \right| = \left| \frac{w^{(N)}(\varphi)}{(N)! 2^{2N-1}} \right|, \tag{4.9}$$

which shows that,  $|E_N| \rightarrow 0$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ . Therefore, the accuracy in approximation using shifted Chebyshev polynomials gets improved as the value of  $N$  is increased. This shows that the series for  $w(x)$  is strongly convergent.  $\square$

### 5. NUMERICAL EXAMPLES

To demonstrate the accuracy, applicability and efficiency of the SCSCM, seven examples of linear and nonlinear Schrödinger equations are considered. ‘‘MATLAB R2015a’’ software has been used for numerical simulation on the laptop with 1.30 GHz Intel Core i5 processor, 16GB RAM and 64-bit operating system. Approximate solutions obtained by present method are compared with solutions obtained by other methods given in literature and exact solutions. The solution  $w(x, t)$  of linear and nonlinear Schrödinger equations are complex valued functions. Therefore, to verify the accuracy of SCSCM, maximum absolute error norm  $L_{\infty}$  and  $L_2$  error norm have been calculated using following expressions



TABLE 1.  $L_\infty$  and  $L_2$  error norms in approximate solutions of Example 5.1 at  $t = 1$  taking  $\Delta t = 0.001$ .

$N$	$L_\infty(R(w))$	$L_\infty(I(w))$	$L_\infty(w)$	$L_2(R(w))$	$L_2(I(w))$	$L_2(w)$	CPU time (Seconds)
4	1.6249e-04	7.3766e-04	7.5535e-04	2.2980e-04	1.0432e-03	1.0682e-03	12.6
6	2.0265e-06	5.5469e-07	2.0271e-06	2.8759e-06	7.8744e-07	2.9818e-06	15.4
8	3.3057e-09	2.7962e-09	4.3297e-09	5.8447e-09	5.4788e-09	8.0111e-09	18.0
10	1.4285e-09	1.6898e-10	1.4384e-09	2.0551e-09	2.6274e-10	2.0718e-09	20.5

$$L_\infty(R(w)) = \max_i |real(w_i^{exact}) - real(w_i)|,$$

$$L_\infty(I(w)) = \max_i |imaginary(w_i^{exact}) - imaginary(w_i)|,$$

$$L_\infty(w) = \max_i |w_i^{exact} - w_i|,$$

$$L_2(R(w)) = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^N |real(w_i^{exact}) - real(w_i)|^2},$$

$$L_2(I(w)) = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^N |imaginary(w_i^{exact}) - imaginary(w_i)|^2},$$

$$L_2(w) = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^N |w_i^{exact} - w_i|^2},$$

where,  $w_i^{exact}$  and  $w_i$  represent the exact and approximate solutions of Schrödinger equation at collocation points  $x_i$ .

**Example 5.1.** Consider linear diffusion form of Schrödinger equation taking  $\phi = -1$ ,  $\mu = 0$  and  $\delta = 0$ , i.e.

$$iw_t - w_{xx} = 0,$$

subject to Dirichlet boundary conditions

$$w(\alpha, t) = e^{it} \sin(\alpha), \quad w(\beta, t) = e^{it} \sin(\beta),$$

and initial condition

$$w(x, 0) = \sin(x).$$

The exact solution is given by

$$w(x, t) = e^{it} \sin(x).$$

The numerical solutions are depicted in tabular and graphical form for domain  $[\alpha, \beta] = [-1, 1]$ . Table 1 shows error norms and CPU time for obtaining the solutions at  $t = 1$  taking  $\Delta t = 0.001$  and different number of collocation points  $N$ . It is found that the errors decrease by increasing the value of  $N$ . Further, the error norms reduce to order  $10^{-9}$  for  $N = 10$ . Table 2 shows the comparison of  $L_\infty$  error norms in approximate solutions by present method and existing solutions by HWCM [3] for different values of  $t$  taking  $\Delta t = 0.001$ . It is seen that in case of HWCM, the error is of order  $10^{-5}$  for  $N = 32$ , whereas, for present method it is of order  $10^{-9}$  fixing  $N = 10$ . This shows the efficiency as well as accuracy of the SCSCM for linear Schrödinger equation. The real parts of approximate and exact solutions have been depicted in Figure 1, while, Figure 2 presents the imaginary parts of exact and approximate solutions of Example 5.1. The graphs of real and imaginary parts of exact and approximate solutions are almost same which demonstrates the accuracy of the present method.





TABLE 2. Comparison of  $L_\infty$  error norms in approximate solutions of Example 5.1 taking  $\Delta t = 0.001$ .

$t$	$L_\infty(R(w))$		$L_\infty(I(w))$		$L_\infty(w)$	
	HWCM ( $N = 32$ )	Present Method ( $N = 10$ )	HWCM ( $N = 32$ )	Present Method ( $N = 10$ )	HWCM ( $N = 32$ )	Present Method ( $N = 10$ )
1	2.670e-05	1.429e-09	6.011e-05	1.690e-10	6.578 e-05	1.438e-09
2	1.766e-05	2.427e-10	3.018e-05	2.205e-09	3.431 e-05	2.218e-09
4	4.698e-05	3.690e-10	3.105e-05	1.345e-09	5.632 e-05	1.395e-09
6	3.632e-05	5.232e-10	4.901 e-05	1.075e-09	6.100 e-05	1.196e-09
8	3.975e-05	1.111e-10	2.896 e-05	1.874e-09	4.919 e-05	1.878e-09
10	1.095e-05	7.118e-10	2.522 e-05	3.374e-10	2.708 e-05	7.878e-10

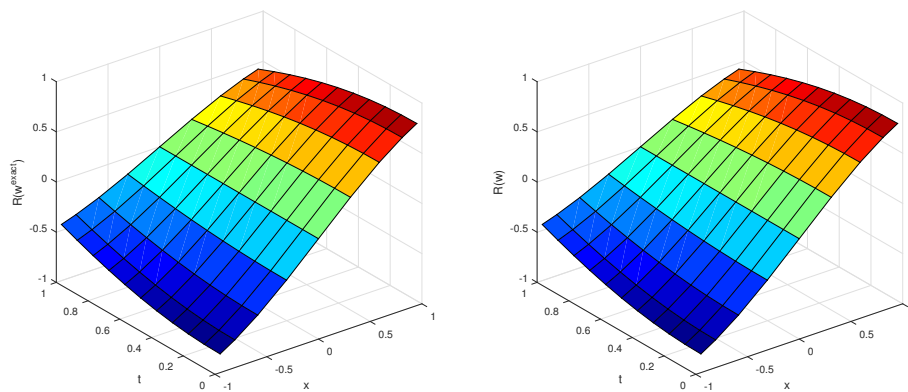


FIGURE 1. The real parts of exact and approximate solutions of Example 5.1 for  $N = 10$ .

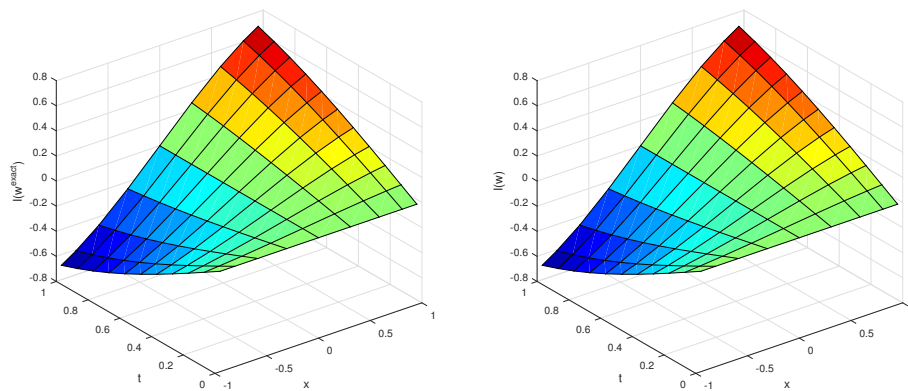


FIGURE 2. The imaginary parts of exact and approximate solutions of Example 5.1 for  $N = 10$ .



TABLE 3.  $L_\infty$  and  $L_2$  error norms in approximate solutions of Example 5.2 taking different values of  $N$  and  $\Delta t = 0.001$ .

$N$	$L_\infty(R(w))$	$L_\infty(I(w))$	$L_\infty(w)$	$L_2(R(w))$	$L_2(I(w))$	$L_2(w)$	CPU time (Seconds)
2	7.7094e-02	5.4671e-03	7.7288e-02	7.7094e-02	5.4671e-03	7.7288e-02	8.0
4	6.8733e-04	1.1642e-04	6.9712e-04	8.2278e-04	8.3271e-04	1.2825e-04	10.6
6	7.0289e-07	1.2094e-07	7.0430e-07	1.1378e-06	1.4107e-07	1.1465e-06	13.9
8	1.6648e-09	1.4016e-09	2.1762e-09	2.0897e-09	2.7022e-09	3.4159e-09	17.3
10	1.1697e-10	4.8213e-10	4.9612e-10	1.8348e-10	6.8986e-10	7.1384e-10	20.8

TABLE 4.  $L_\infty$  and  $L_2$  error norms in approximate solutions of Example 5.2 taking  $N = 10$  and  $\Delta t = 0.001$ .

$t$	$L_\infty(R(w))$	$L_\infty(I(w))$	$L_\infty(w)$	$L_2(R(w))$	$L_2(I(w))$	$L_2(w)$
1	1.1697e-10	4.8213e-10	4.9612e-10	1.8348e-10	6.8986e-10	7.1384e-10
2	7.3427e-10	4.7906e-10	8.7672e-10	1.0640e-09	6.9519e-10	1.2710e-09
4	8.1581e-10	1.0251e-09	1.3101e-09	1.1841e-09	1.4851e-09	1.8993e-09
6	9.8081e-10	7.9837e-10	1.2647e-09	1.4205e-09	1.1601e-09	1.8340e-09
8	4.3350e-10	7.8667e-10	8.9820e-10	6.3282e-10	1.1388e-09	1.3028e-09
10	5.7780e-10	1.1235e-10	5.8862e-10	8.3661e-10	1.6059e-10	8.5189e-10

**Example 5.2.** Consider linear diffusion form of Schrödinger Equation (1.1), where  $\phi = -1$ ,  $\mu = 0$  and  $\delta = 0$

$$iw_t - w_{xx} = 0,$$

subject to Dirichlet boundary conditions

$$w(\alpha, t) = e^{it} \cos(\alpha), \quad w(\beta, t) = e^{it} \cos(\beta),$$

and initial condition

$$w(x, 0) = \cos(x).$$

The exact solution is given by

$$w(x, t) = e^{it} \cos(x).$$

The numerical solutions obtained by present method are shown in Tables 3-5 and Figures 3 and 4 for domain  $[\alpha, \beta] = [-1, 1]$ . Table 3 presents error norms and CPU time for obtaining approximate solutions of linear Schrödinger equation at  $t = 1$  by taking different values of  $N$  and  $\Delta t = 0.001$ . It is observed that the approximate solutions converge by increasing value of  $N$  and the error norms reduce to order  $10^{-10}$  for  $N = 10$ . Table 4 exhibits  $L_\infty$  and  $L_2$  error norms in solutions obtained by present method for distinct values of  $t$  taking  $N = 10$  and  $\Delta t = 0.001$ . Table 5 shows the comparison of  $L_\infty$  error norms in solutions at  $t = 1$  by present method and HWCM [3]. It is observed that in comparison to HWCM, the present method provides better accuracy in approximate solutions for smaller number of collocation points. The real and imaginary parts of exact and approximate solutions for various values of  $x$  and  $t$  have been depicted graphically in Figures 3 and 4.



TABLE 5. Comparison of  $L_\infty$  error norms in approximate solutions at  $t = 1$  of Example 5.2 taking  $\Delta t = 0.001$ .

Error norm	HWCM( $N=32$ )	Present Method( $N=10$ )
$L_\infty(R(w))$	8.56e-05	1.17e-10
$L_\infty(I(w))$	5.38e-04	4.82e-10
$L_\infty(w)$	5.45e-04	4.96e-10

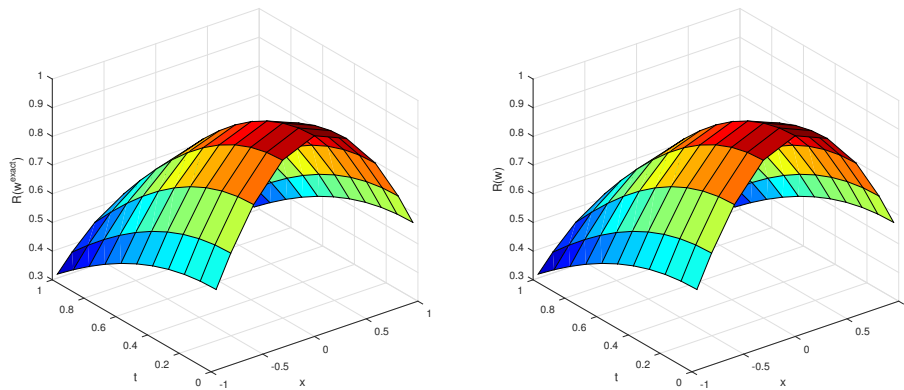


FIGURE 3. The real parts of exact and approximate solutions of Example 5.2 for  $N = 10$ .

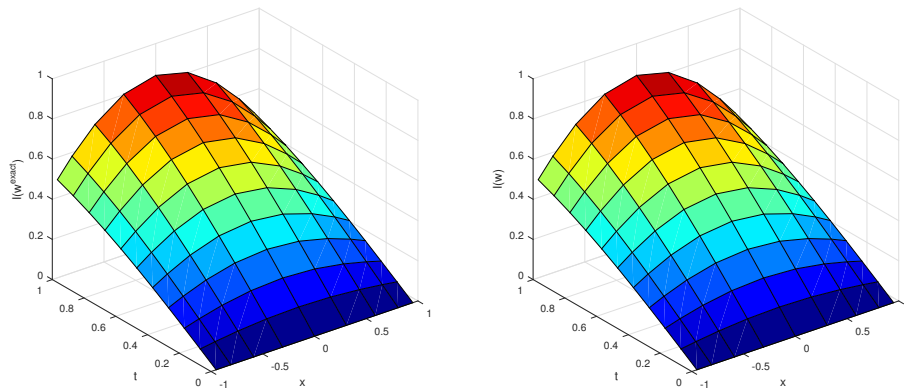


FIGURE 4. The imaginary parts of exact and approximate solutions of Example 5.2 for  $N = 10$ .

**Example 5.3.** The linear reaction-diffusion form of Equation (1.1) with variable coefficients by taking  $\phi = 1, \mu = 0$  and  $\delta = 1 - \frac{2}{x^2}$  is given as

$$iw_t + w_{xx} + \left(1 - \frac{2}{x^2}\right)w = 0,$$

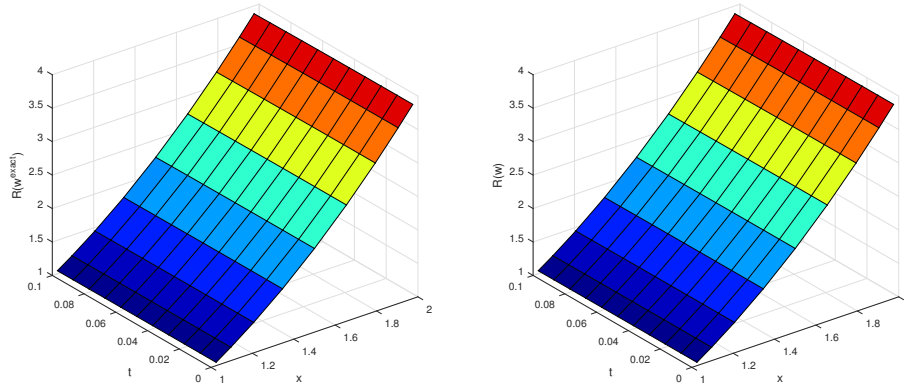
subject to Dirichlet boundary conditions

$$w(\alpha, t) = \alpha^2 e^{it}, \quad w(\beta, t) = \beta^2 e^{it},$$



TABLE 6. Comparison of  $L_\infty$  error norms in numerical solutions of Example 5.3 for  $\Delta t = 0.001$ .

$t$	$L_\infty(w)$				CPU time (seconds)
	MQ quasi- interpolation technique (deg=9)( $N = 50$ )	MQ quasi- interpolation technique (deg=5)( $N = 50$ )	HWCM ( $N = 32$ )	Present Method ( $N = 10$ )	
0.05	0.0133	0.0135	7.808e-05	1.314e-07	3.4
0.10	0.0561	0.0568	1.336e-04	1.312e-07	4.6
0.15	0.1287	0.1392	1.920e-04	1.314e-07	6.1

FIGURE 5. The real parts of exact and approximate solutions of Example 5.3 for  $N = 10$ .

and initial condition

$$w(x, 0) = x^2.$$

The exact solution is given by

$$w(x, t) = x^2 e^{it}.$$

The numerical solutions of this example are presented in Table 6 and Figures 5-6 for domain  $[\alpha, \beta] = [1, 2]$ . Table 6 shows CPU time for obtaining approximate solutions and comparison of maximum absolute error in solutions obtained by present method and solutions obtained by MQ quasi-interpolation technique [14] and HWCM [3] for different values of  $t$  taking  $\Delta t = 0.001$ . It is observed that the present method provides lesser error in comparison to MQ quasi-interpolation technique as well as HWCM for smaller number of collocation points. The real and imaginary parts of the exact and approximate solutions of Example 5.3 are shown in Figures 5 and 6. It is revealed that graphical representation of both exact and approximate solutions are same.

**Example 5.4.** Consider nonlinear case of Equation (1.1) by taking  $\phi = 1$ ,  $\mu = -2$  and  $\delta = 0$

$$iw_t + w_{xx} - 2|w|^2 w = 0,$$

subject to Dirichlet boundary conditions

$$w(\alpha, t) = e^{i(\alpha-3t)}, \quad w(\beta, t) = e^{i(\beta-3t)},$$

and initial condition

$$w(x, 0) = e^{ix}.$$



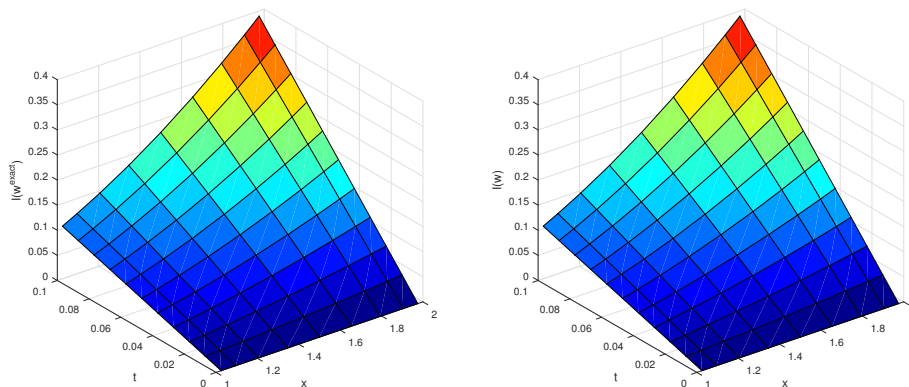


FIGURE 6. The imaginary parts of exact and approximate solutions of Example 5.3 for  $N = 10$ .

TABLE 7. Comparison of  $L_\infty$  error norms in approximate solutions of Example 5.4 at  $t = 1$  taking  $\Delta t = 0.001$ .

$N$	J-GL-C method			Present method		
	$L_\infty(w)$	$L_\infty(R(w))$	$L_\infty(I(w))$	$L_\infty(w)$	$L_\infty(R(w))$	$L_\infty(I(w))$
2	2.43e-01	2.69e-01	3.23e-01	3.6365e-02	2.2695e-02	2.8414e-02
6	6.00e-05	5.68e-05	6.41e-05	4.0588e-06	1.4868e-06	4.0560e-06
10	2.26e-07	1.70e-07	2.35e-07	3.0109e-08	1.0951e-08	2.9838e-08

TABLE 8.  $L_\infty$  and  $L_2$  error norms in approximate solutions of Example 5.4 taking  $\Delta t = 0.001$  and  $N = 10$ .

$t$	$L_\infty(R(w))$	$L_\infty(I(w))$	$L_\infty(w)$	$L_2(R(w))$	$L_2(I(w))$	$L_2(w)$	CPU time (Seconds)
1	1.0951e-08	2.9838e-08	3.0109e-08	1.1994e-08	3.2966e-08	3.5080e-08	24.6
2	1.3344e-08	1.0141e-08	1.5384e-08	1.5942e-08	1.3037e-08	2.0593e-08	37.3
3	2.2416e-08	2.0384e-08	2.6434e-08	2.2822e-08	2.5273e-08	3.4053e-08	52.5
4	1.0007e-08	1.8217e-09	1.0007e-08	1.0267e-08	1.8407e-09	1.0431e-08	68.4
5	1.3471e-08	1.8294e-08	2.2437e-08	1.9140e-08	2.0376e-08	2.7956e-08	86.6

The exact solution is given by

$$w(x, t) = e^{i(x-3t)}.$$

The numerical results of Example 5.4 have been obtained for domain  $[\alpha, \beta] = [-1, 1]$  and are presented in tabular and graphical form. Table 7 depicts the comparative study of  $L_\infty$  error norms in approximate solutions at  $t = 1$  obtained by present method and J-GL-C method [13]. A better performance of the present method over J-GL-C method is observed from this table. Table 8 shows the error norms and CPU time in obtaining approximate solutions of Example 5.4 for different values of  $t$  taking  $N = 10$ . Further, Figures 7 and 8 depict the real and imaginary parts of exact and approximate solutions of Example 5.4 in graphical form.



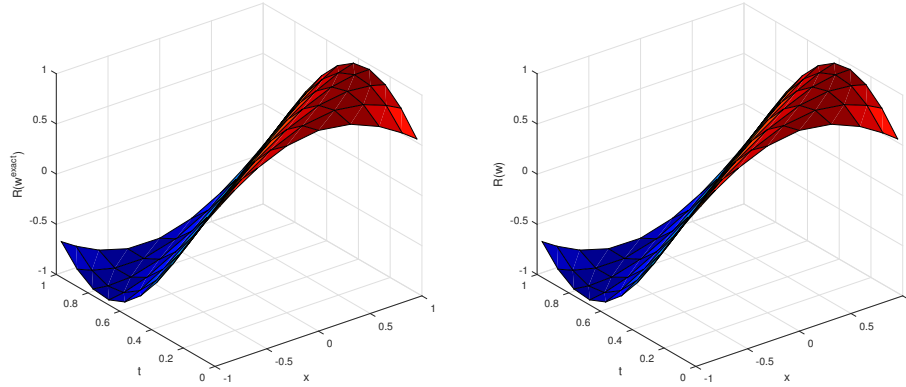


FIGURE 7. The real parts of exact and approximate solutions of Example 5.4 for  $N = 10$ .

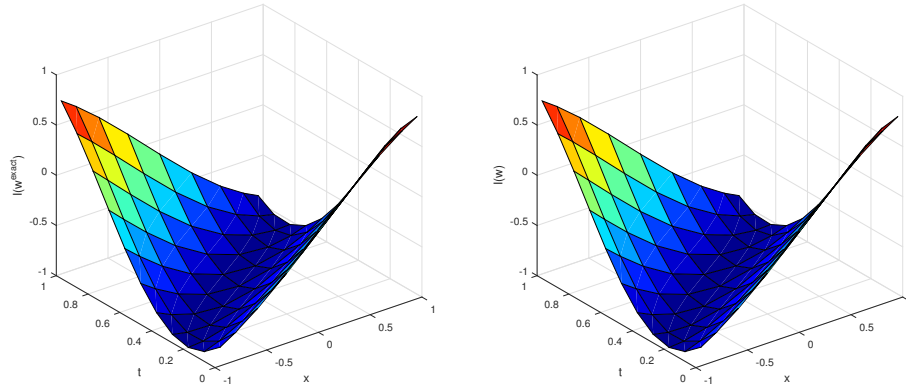


FIGURE 8. The imaginary parts of exact and approximate solutions of Example 5.4 for  $N = 10$ .

**Example 5.5.** Consider nonlinear case of Equation (1.1) by taking  $\phi = 1$ ,  $\mu = 2$  and  $\delta = 0$

$$iw_t + w_{xx} + 2|w|^2w = 0,$$

subject to Dirichlet boundary conditions

$$w(\alpha, t) = e^{i(\alpha+t)}, \quad w(\beta, t) = e^{i(\beta+t)},$$

and initial condition

$$w(x, 0) = e^{ix}.$$

The exact solution is  $w(x, t) = e^{i(x+t)}$ .

The approximate solutions of this problem have been obtained for two domains (i)  $[\alpha, \beta] = [0, 1]$  and (ii)  $[\alpha, \beta] = [-1, 1]$ . Table 9 shows the error norms and CPU time for obtaining approximate solutions of Example 5.5 at  $t = 1$  for  $[\alpha, \beta] = [0, 1]$  taking  $\Delta t = 0.001$ . It is observed that the error norms decrease by increasing the value of  $N$ . The errors reduce to the order of  $10^{-9}$  for  $N = 8$ . Table 10 depicts the comparison of  $L_\infty$  error norms in approximate solutions at  $t = 1$  obtained by present method and HWCM [3] for  $[\alpha, \beta] = [0, 1]$ . The comparison of  $L_\infty$  error norms



TABLE 9.  $L_\infty$  and  $L_2$  error norms in approximate solutions of Example 5.5 at  $t = 1$  for  $\Delta t = 0.001$  and  $x \in [0, 1]$ .

$N$	$L_\infty(R(w))$	$L_\infty(I(w))$	$L_\infty(w)$	$L_2(R(w))$	$L_2(I(w))$	$L_2(w)$	CPU time (Seconds)
2	5.0248e-03	8.1526e-03	9.5768e-03	5.0248e-03	8.1526e-03	9.5768e-03	9.2
4	9.0064e-06	1.3131e-05	1.5795e-05	1.1362e-05	1.8464e-05	2.1680e-05	12.2
6	1.5133e-08	1.8654e-08	2.2919e-08	1.9804e-08	2.5456e-08	3.2252e-08	14.8
8	3.6382e-09	4.8847e-09	4.9943e-09	3.8265e-09	6.0714e-09	7.1766e-09	16.7

TABLE 10. Comparison of  $L_\infty$  error norms in approximate solutions of Example 5.5 at  $t = 1$  for  $\Delta t = 0.001$  and  $x \in [0, 1]$ .

Error norm	HWCM( $N = 16$ )	Present Method ( $N = 8$ )
$L_\infty(R(w))$	3.0944e-06	3.6382e-09
$L_\infty(I(w))$	3.3195e-05	4.8847e-09
$L_\infty(w)$	3.3318e-05	4.9943e-09

TABLE 11. Comparison of  $L_\infty$  error norms in approximate solutions of Example 5.5 at  $t = 1$  for  $\Delta t = 0.001$  and  $x \in [-1, 1]$ .

$N$	J-GL-C method			Present method		
	$L_\infty(w)$	$L_\infty(R(w))$	$L_\infty(I(w))$	$L_\infty(w)$	$L_\infty(R(w))$	$L_\infty(I(w))$
2	3.81e-01	5.73e-01	6.21e-01	1.4438e-01	8.9372e-02	1.1339e-01
6	3.62e-05	15.70e-05	16.04e-05	2.2721e-06	6.8194e-07	2.2451e-06
10	4.62e-08	22.59e-08	22.74e-08	2.2710e-09	9.7587e-10	2.1647e-09

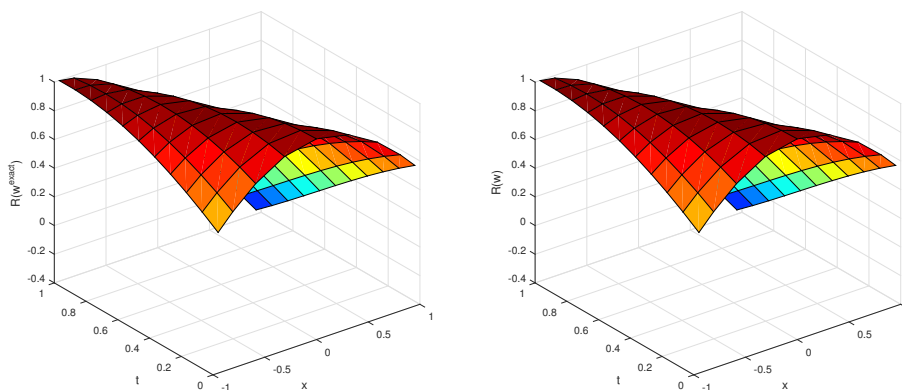


FIGURE 9. The real parts of exact and approximate solutions of Example 5.5 for  $N = 10$ .

in solutions given by present method and J-GL-C method [13] is shown in Table 11 for  $[\alpha, \beta] = [-1, 1]$ . It is noticed from Tables 10 and 11 that the present method provides better accuracy as compared to HWCM and J-GL-C method for small number of collocation points. In Figures 9 and 10, the real and imaginary parts of exact and approximate solutions for  $[\alpha, \beta] = [-1, 1]$  have been shown graphically.



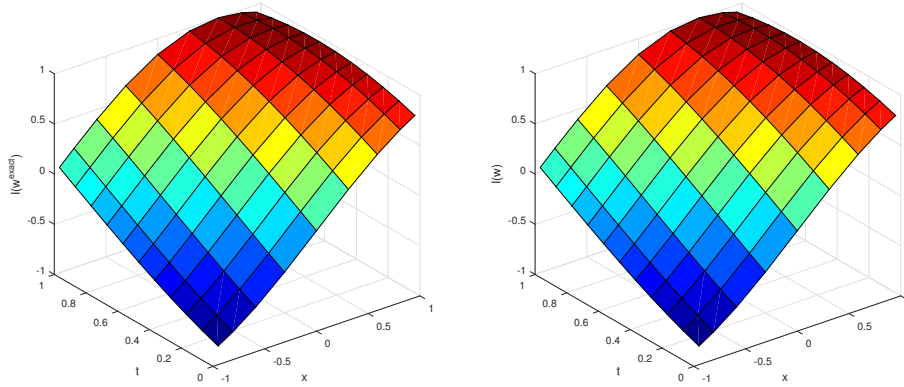


FIGURE 10. The imaginary parts of exact and approximate solutions of Example 5.5 for  $N=10$ .

TABLE 12.  $L_\infty$  and  $L_2$  error norms in approximate solutions of Example 5.6 at  $t = 1$  for  $\Delta t = 0.001$  and  $x \in [0, 1]$ .

$N$	$L_\infty(R(w))$	$L_\infty(I(w))$	$L_\infty(w)$	$L_2(R(w))$	$L_2(I(w))$	$L_2(w)$	CPU time (Seconds)
2	3.7564e-01	1.7884e-01	4.1604e-01	3.7564e-01	1.7884e-01	4.1604e-01	8.0
4	7.7089e-03	4.7336e-03	8.8997e-03	9.5059e-03	6.4951e-03	1.1513e-02	10.5
6	4.0109e-05	3.2256e-05	4.2947e-05	5.4799e-05	4.5866e-05	7.1461e-05	14.2
8	1.3326e-07	8.7455e-07	8.8464e-07	2.2040e-07	1.5689e-06	1.5843e-06	16.0
10	2.5697e-08	7.7054e-08	7.8279e-08	3.2693e-08	9.1680e-08	9.7335e-08	19.5

**Example 5.6.** Consider the nonlinear case of Equation (1.1)

$$iw_t + w_{xx} + 2|w|^2w = 0,$$

subject to Dirichlet boundary conditions

$$w(\alpha, t) = e^{i(2\alpha-3t)} \operatorname{sech}(\alpha - 4t), \quad w(\beta, t) = e^{i(2\beta-3t)} \operatorname{sech}(\beta - 4t),$$

and initial condition

$$w(x, 0) = e^{2ix} \operatorname{sech}(x).$$

The exact solution is given by

$$w(x, t) = e^{i(2x-3t)} \operatorname{sech}(x - 4t).$$

The numerical solutions have been obtained for two domains (i)  $[\alpha, \beta] = [0, 1]$  and (ii)  $[\alpha, \beta] = [-1, 1]$ . Table 12 presents the error norms and CPU time for obtaining approximate solutions of nonlinear Schrödinger equation at  $t = 1$  obtained by present method taking  $\Delta t = 0.001$  and different value of  $N$  for  $[\alpha, \beta] = [0, 1]$ . It is seen that error norms reduce to order  $10^{-8}$  by increasing value of  $N$  up to 10. Table 13 shows  $L_\infty$  error norms in approximate solutions of this example for  $[\alpha, \beta] = [-1, 1]$ . It is revealed that the  $L_\infty$  error norm is reduced to order of  $10^{-7}$  by fixing value of  $N = 15$ . The real and imaginary parts of exact and approximate solutions for domain  $[\alpha, \beta] = [-1, 1]$  have been shown in Figures 11 and 12. A good agreement of exact and approximate solutions demonstrates the accuracy of the present method.





TABLE 13.  $L_\infty$  error norms in approximate solutions of Example 5.6 at  $t = 1$  for  $\Delta t = 0.001$  and  $x \in [-1, 1]$ .

$N$	$L_\infty(w)$	$L_\infty(R(w))$	$L_\infty(I(w))$
2	6.5804e-01	5.3388e-01	3.8469e-01
5	4.0672e-02	4.0277e-02	2.9984e-02
10	4.4055e-05	4.4055e-05	2.3373e-05
15	1.5443e-07	3.8166e-08	1.4964e-07

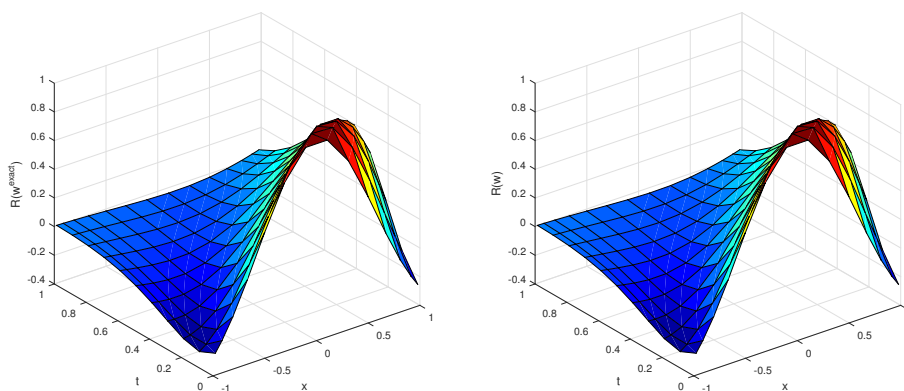


FIGURE 11. The real parts of exact and approximate solutions of Example 5.6 for  $N = 15$ .

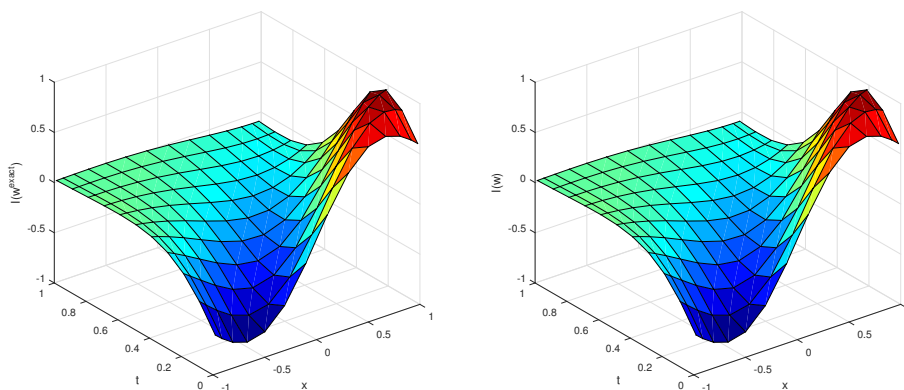


FIGURE 12. The imaginary parts of exact and approximate solutions of Example 5.6 for  $N = 15$ .

**Example 5.7.** Consider the nonlinear Schrödinger equation

$$iw_t + w_{xx} + |w|^2w = 0,$$



TABLE 14.  $L_\infty$  and  $L_2$  error norms in approximate solutions of Example 5.7 at  $t = 1$  taking time steps  $\Delta t = 0.001$  and  $0.0001$ .

$N$	$\Delta t = 0.001$		CPU time (seconds)	$\Delta t = 0.0001$		CPU time (seconds)
	$L_\infty(w)$	$L_2(w)$		$L_\infty(w)$	$L_2(w)$	
2	1.1025e-05	1.1025e-05	6.7	1.1025e-05	1.1025e-05	57.8
4	1.0084e-07	1.3285e-07	10.7	1.0084e-07	1.3285e-07	96.5
6	1.0097e-09	1.3034e-09	13.5	1.0097e-09	1.3034e-09	146.7
8	1.7699e-12	2.7323e-12	16.2	1.8438e-12	2.7804e-12	159.7
10	1.1849e-12	1.2880e-12	20.0	5.3663e-15	7.9392e-15	192.5

subject to Dirichlet boundary conditions

$$w(\alpha, t) = \sqrt{2} \operatorname{sech}\left(\alpha - \frac{t}{2} + 10\right) \exp\left(i\left(\frac{\alpha}{4} + \frac{15}{16}t\right)\right),$$

$$w(\beta, t) = \sqrt{2} \operatorname{sech}\left(\beta - \frac{t}{2} + 10\right) \exp\left(i\left(\frac{\beta}{4} + \frac{15}{16}t\right)\right),$$

and initial condition

$$w(x, 0) = \sqrt{2} \operatorname{sech}(x + 10) \exp\left(i\left(\frac{x}{4}\right)\right).$$

The exact solution is given by

$$w(x, t) = \sqrt{2} \operatorname{sech}\left(x - \frac{t}{2} + 10\right) \exp\left(i\left(\frac{x}{4} + \frac{15}{16}t\right)\right).$$

The numerical solutions have been obtained for domain  $[\alpha, \beta] = [-1, 1]$ . Table 14 shows the error norms and CPU time for obtaining approximate solutions of Example 5.7 at  $t = 1$  by taking different values of time steps  $\Delta t$  and different values of  $N$ . Table 15 presents  $L_\infty$  error norms for approximate solutions obtained by present method at different time levels for different values of  $\Delta t$  and fixed  $N = 10$ . Table 16 depicts the  $L_\infty$  and  $L_2$  error norms in approximate solutions at different time levels taking  $\Delta t = 0.0001$  for different values of  $N$ . From these tables, it is revealed that

- (i) both error norms decrease by increasing the number of collocation points.
- (ii) the error norms are smallest for  $\Delta t = 0.0001$  and
- (iii) the error norms reduce to order of  $10^{-15}$  for  $\Delta t = 0.0001$  and  $N = 10$ .

Further, the real and imaginary parts of exact and approximate solutions are depicted respectively in Figures 13 and 14 taking  $\Delta t = 0.0001$ .

## 6. CONCLUSION

In this paper, shifted Chebyshev spectral collocation method is used for numerical solutions of linear and nonlinear Schrödinger equation with variable and constant coefficients. Chebyshev-Gauss-Lobatto points are used for collocation purpose and it is suggested that these collocation points produced accurate solutions. The convergence analysis of SCSCM has been demonstrated. The solutions of linear and nonlinear Schrödinger equations are complex valued functions. The efficiency and accuracy of the present method have been demonstrated by considering seven examples of linear and nonlinear Schrödinger equation and presenting  $L_\infty$  and  $L_2$  error norms in numerical solutions for different number of collocation points  $N$ . It is observed that error norms decrease by increasing the value of  $N$  and highly accurate solutions are obtained mostly for  $N = 10$ . Further, the error norms for present method have been compared with error norms for other numerical methods such as HWCM, MQ quasi-interpolation technique and J-GL-C method. In comparison to these approaches, the present method provides better accuracy for smaller number of collocation points. Thus, it consumes less processing time and computer memory for obtaining higher accuracies in numerical solutions. The approximate solutions of Example 5.7 have been obtained for two values of time step  $\Delta t = 0.001, 0.0001$ . It is revealed that both the error norms are smaller for  $\Delta t = 0.0001$  and they reduce to order of  $10^{-15}$  taking  $N = 10$ .



TABLE 15.  $L_\infty$  and  $L_2$  error norms in approximate solutions of Example 5.7 at different time levels taking  $N = 10$ .

$t$	$\Delta t = 0.001$		$\Delta t = 0.0001$	
	$L_\infty(w)$	$L_2(w)$	$L_\infty(w)$	$L_2(w)$
0.1	3.9863e-13	5.5326e-13	2.6879e-15	4.3470e-15
0.2	6.0429e-13	8.0393e-13	4.3578e-15	6.3938e-15
0.3	5.5515e-13	6.2240e-13	3.2497e-15	5.0801e-15
0.4	2.6962e-13	3.3489e-13	1.8705e-15	3.1534e-15
0.5	5.0404e-13	7.2150e-13	2.9033e-15	4.4263e-15
0.6	8.5872e-13	9.9916e-13	4.3664e-15	6.3492e-15
0.7	8.4621e-13	8.7204e-13	4.1370e-15	5.9476e-15
0.8	5.8446e-13	7.0444e-13	2.1515e-15	3.5842e-15
0.9	8.0265e-13	1.0163e-12	3.6081e-15	5.8066e-15
1.0	1.1849e-12	1.2880e-12	5.3663e-15	7.9392e-15

TABLE 16.  $L_\infty$  and  $L_2$  error norms in approximate solutions of Example 5.7 for different time levels taking  $\Delta t = 0.0001$ .

$t$	$N = 6$		$N = 8$		$N = 10$	
	$L_\infty(w)$	$L_2(w)$	$L_\infty(w)$	$L_2(w)$	$L_\infty(w)$	$L_2(w)$
0.1	1.8546e-10	3.0088e-10	1.2953e-12	1.9258e-12	2.6879e-15	4.3470e-15
0.2	2.6290e-10	4.3322e-10	2.0594e-12	3.0396e-12	4.3578e-15	6.3938e-15
0.3	3.4843e-10	5.1375e-10	2.0423e-12	2.8884e-12	3.2497e-15	5.0801e-15
0.4	4.8900e-10	6.6416e-10	9.8641e-13	1.5826e-12	1.8705e-15	3.1534e-15
0.5	5.0087e-10	7.3941e-10	9.1615e-13	1.4128e-12	2.9033e-15	4.4263e-15
0.6	6.1828e-10	8.4164e-10	2.1631e-12	2.8741e-12	4.3664e-15	6.3492e-15
0.7	7.9609e-10	1.0329e-09	2.3369e-12	3.3321e-12	4.1370e-15	5.9476e-15
0.8	8.3520e-10	1.1465e-09	1.6773e-12	2.5562e-12	2.1515e-15	3.5842e-15
0.9	9.1567e-10	1.2267e-09	8.6802e-13	1.6811e-12	3.6081e-15	5.8066e-15
1.0	1.0097e-09	1.3034e-09	1.8438e-12	2.7804e-12	5.3663e-15	7.9392e-15

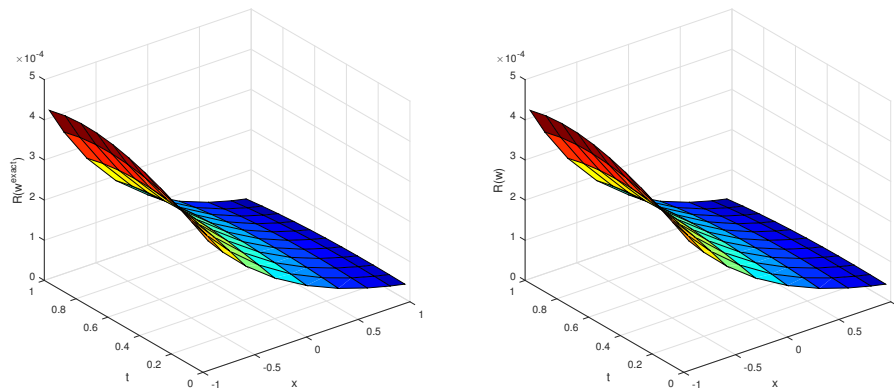


FIGURE 13. The real parts of exact and approximate solutions of Example 5.7 for  $N = 10$  taking  $\Delta t = 0.0001$ .



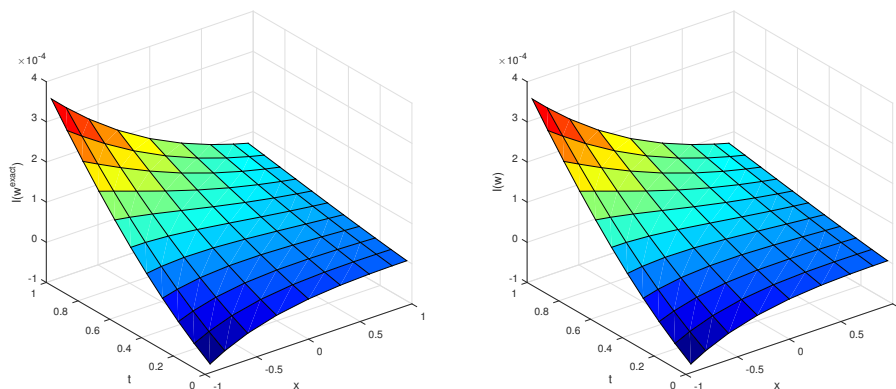


FIGURE 14. The imaginary parts of exact and approximate solutions of Example 5.7 for  $N = 10$  taking  $\Delta t = 0.0001$ .

Therefore, present method is an efficient, accurate, effective and useful method to obtain the approximate solutions of linear and nonlinear Schrödinger equations. It will be helpful for the researchers and analysts who are engaged in numerical study of modelling of different linear and nonlinear physical and engineering problems. The SCSCM can be extended for solving coupled and higher dimensional linear and nonlinear Schrödinger equation.

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