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Integrating Oscillatory General Second-Order Initial Value Problems Using a Block Hybrid Method of Order 11

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In some cases, high-order methods are known to provide greater accuracy with larger step-sizes than lower order methods. Hence, in this paper, we present a Block Hybrid Method (BHM) of order 11 for directly solving systems of general second-order initial value problems (IVPs), including Hamiltonian systems and partial differential equations (PDEs), which arise in multiple areas of science and engineering. The BHM is formulated from a continuous scheme based on a hybrid method of a linear multistep type with several off-grid points and then implemented in a block-by-block manner. The properties of the BHM are discussed and the performance of the method is demonstrated on some numerical examples. In particular, the superiority of the BHM over the Generalized Adams Method (GAM) of order 11 is established numerically.

1. Introduction

General second-order differential equations frequently arise in several areas of science and engineering, such as celestial mechanics, quantum mechanics, control theory, circuit theory, astrophysics, and biological sciences. Several of these differential equations have oscillatory solutions, for instance, the initial value problem (IVP)

$$\begin{aligned} y'' + \aleph y &= g(t, y, y'), \\ y(t_0) &= y_0, \\ y'(t_0) &= y'_0, \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

$$t_0 \leq t \leq t_N,$$

where $g : \mathcal{R} \times \mathcal{R}^d \times \mathcal{R}^d \rightarrow \mathcal{R}^d$, $N > 0$ is an integer, $\{y, y'\} \in \mathcal{R}^d$, d is the dimension of the system, \aleph is a real nonsingular diagonalizable $d \times d$ constant matrix having large eigenvalues, and $\|\aleph\| \gg 1$ has been studied (see [1–9]). Special cases of (1) have also been extensively discussed in the literature ([10–14], Hairer [15]).

The method proposed in this paper can solve (1), as well as the general second-order IVP

$$\begin{aligned} y'' &= f(t, y, y'), \\ y(t_0) &= y_0, \\ y'(t_0) &= y'_0, \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

$$t_0 \leq t \leq t_N,$$

where $f : \mathcal{R} \times \mathcal{R}^d \times \mathcal{R}^d \rightarrow \mathcal{R}^d$, $N > 0$ is an integer, and d is the dimension of the system. Equation (2) is conventionally solved by converting it into an equivalent first-order system of double dimension and then solved using standard methods that are available in the literature for solving systems of first-order IVPs (see Lambert [16], Hairer et al. [17], and Brugnano et al. [18]). In general, these methods are implemented in a step-by-step fashion in which, on the partition S_N , an approximation y_n is obtained at t_n only after an approximation at t_{n-1} has been computed, where for some constant step-size $h = (t_N - t_0)/N$ and integer $N > 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} S_N &:= \{t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_N\}, \\ t_n &= t_{n-1} + h, \quad n = 1, \dots, N. \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

Several methods have been proposed for directly solving the special second-order IVP, where the function f does not depend on y' . It has been shown that such methods have the advantages of requiring less storage space and fewer number of function evaluations (see Hairer [15], Hairer et al. [19], Lambert et al. [20], and Twizell et al. [21]). Nevertheless, these methods are implemented as predictor-corrector methods and require starting values as well. In which case, the cost of implementation is increased, especially, for higher order methods.

In this paper, we propose a high-order BHM of order 11 which provides greater accuracy even when larger step-sizes are used. We show that the BHM of order 11 is applied to directly solve Hamiltonian systems as well as the general form (2). The BHM is formulated from a continuous scheme based on a hybrid method of a linear multistep type with several off-grid points and then implemented in a block-by-block manner. In this way, the method is self-starting and implemented without predictors (see Jator and Oladejo [22], Jator et al. [9], Jator [7], and Ngwane and Jator [6, 23, 24]). It is shown that the method can also be used to directly solve non-Hamiltonian systems with embedded first derivatives as well as partial differential equations via the method of lines. In particular, the superiority of the BHM over the Generalized Adams Method (GAM) of order 11 is established numerically.

The article is organized as follows. In Section 2, we derive our hybrid method and specify the coefficients as well. We discuss the properties and implementation of the method in Section 3. Numerical examples are given in Section 4 and concluding remarks are given in Section 5.

2. Derivation

We propose a BHM for the IVP (2) which can be solved by advancing the from t_n to $t_{n+2} = t_n + 2h$ by fixing two interpolation points $\{t_n, t_{n+1}\}$ and a set of distinct collocation points $\{t_n + c_i h, i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, 10\}$. We then choose the coefficients of the method, such that the method integrates the IVP exactly, whenever the solutions are members of the linear space $\langle 1, t, \dots, t^{12} \rangle$. Thus, we initially seek a continuous local approximation $U(t)$ on the interval $[t_n, t_{n+2}]$, which is expressed in vector form as

$$U(t) = [1 \ t \ t^2 \ t^3 \ \dots \ t^{12}] \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \\ \vdots \\ a_{12} \end{bmatrix}, \tag{4}$$

where $a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{12}$ are coefficients in \mathfrak{R}^n to be uniquely determined. To determine these coefficients, we interpolate at t_n and t_{n+1} and then collocate at $\{t_n + c_i h, i = 0, 1, \dots, 10\}$. In particular, we determine these coefficients by imposing the following conditions on (4):

$$\begin{aligned} U(t_n) &= y_n, \\ U(t_{n+1}) &= y_{n+1}, \\ U''(t_{n+c_j}) &= f_{n+c_j}, \quad j = 0, 1, \dots, 10, \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

to obtain the following system of equations represented in matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & t_n & t_n^2 & t_n^3 & \dots & t_n^{12} \\ 1 & t_{n+1} & t_{n+1}^2 & t_{n+1}^3 & \dots & t_{n+1}^{12} \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 6t_{n+c_0} & \dots & 132t_{n+c_0}^{10} \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 6t_{n+c_1} & \dots & 132t_{n+c_1}^{10} \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 6t_{n+c_2} & \dots & 132t_{n+c_2}^{10} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 6t_{n+c_{10}} & \dots & 132t_{n+c_{10}}^{10} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_{12} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y_n \\ y_{n+1} \\ f_{n+c_0} \\ f_{n+c_1} \\ f_{n+c_2} \\ \vdots \\ f_{n+c_{10}} \end{bmatrix}. \tag{6}$$

The system is solved with the aid of Mathematica to obtain the coefficients, $a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{12}$, which are substituted into (4) to obtain the continuous form

$$U(t) = [1 \ t \ t^2 \ \dots \ t^{12}] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & t_n & t_n^2 & t_n^3 & \dots & t_n^{12} \\ 1 & t_{n+1} & t_{n+1}^2 & t_{n+1}^3 & \dots & t_{n+1}^{12} \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 6t_{n+c_0} & \dots & 132t_{n+c_0}^{10} \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 6t_{n+c_1} & \dots & 132t_{n+c_1}^{10} \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 6t_{n+c_2} & \dots & 132t_{n+c_2}^{10} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 6t_{n+c_{10}} & \dots & 132t_{n+c_{10}}^{10} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} y_n \\ y_{n+1} \\ f_{n+c_0} \\ f_{n+c_1} \\ f_{n+c_2} \\ \vdots \\ f_{n+c_{10}} \end{bmatrix}. \tag{7}$$

The continuous scheme (7) is simplified and evaluated at $t = t_{n+c_i}, i = 1, \dots, 10, i \neq 5$, to give the set of formulas (8), whose

TABLE 1: Coefficients for (8) and (9).

j	c_j	f_n	$f_{n+1/5}$	$f_{n+2/5}$	$f_{n+3/5}$	$f_{n+4/5}$	f_{n+1}	$f_{n+6/5}$	
		$f_{n+7/5}$	$f_{n+8/5}$	$f_{n+9/5}$	f_{n+2}	y_n	y_{n+1}	y_{n+c_j} y'_{n+c_j}	
0	0	$\frac{2013679}{38320128}$	$\frac{90185}{304128}$	$\frac{228055}{1419264}$	$\frac{297145}{532224}$	$\frac{3664715}{6386688}$	$\frac{8081}{13824}$	$\frac{2553035}{6386688}$	
		$\frac{310315}{1596672}$	$\frac{270085}{4257792}$	$\frac{239095}{19160064}$	$\frac{14299}{12773376}$	-1	1	0	
									1
1	1/5	$\frac{761921}{399168000}$	$\frac{442297}{13305600}$	$\frac{21601621}{1995840000}$	$\frac{2016199}{49896000}$	$\frac{24105979}{997920000}$	$\frac{15717253}{498960000}$	$\frac{4257371}{199584000}$	
		$\frac{2593823}{249480000}$	$\frac{1357603}{399168000}$	$\frac{222953}{332640000}$	$\frac{120167}{1995840000}$	$\frac{4}{5}$	$\frac{1}{5}$		
		$\frac{1114177}{319334400}$	$\frac{54021223}{2395008000}$	$\frac{336888491}{1596672000}$	$\frac{259649}{5702400}$	$\frac{1943911}{10368000}$	$\frac{51790213}{399168000}$	$\frac{71069639}{798336000}$	
		$\frac{8498207}{199584000}$	$\frac{4380451}{319334400}$	$\frac{236963}{88704000}$	$\frac{1138741}{4790016000}$	-1	1	1	
									1
2	2/5	$\frac{5487121}{3991680000}$	$\frac{2183537}{79833600}$	$\frac{9569027}{266112000}$	$\frac{7859413}{166320000}$	$\frac{2592949}{665280000}$	$\frac{1366229}{66528000}$	$\frac{1772273}{133056000}$	
		$\frac{71899}{11088000}$	$\frac{2825969}{1330560000}$	$\frac{836617}{1995840000}$	$\frac{150511}{3991680000}$	$\frac{3}{5}$	$\frac{2}{5}$		
		$\frac{1458827}{684288000}$	$\frac{23188961}{479001600}$	$\frac{18613933}{1596672000}$	$\frac{1854557}{18144000}$	$\frac{25160417}{798336000}$	$\frac{1811707}{399168000}$	$\frac{275629}{159667200}$	
		$\frac{111787}{66528000}$	$\frac{1149229}{1596672000}$	$\frac{395621}{2395008000}$	$\frac{15703}{958003200}$	-1	1	1	
									1
3	3/5	$\frac{3685189}{3991680000}$	$\frac{4015643}{221760000}$	$\frac{3919439}{147840000}$	$\frac{607247}{11088000}$	$\frac{1343147}{133056000}$	$\frac{349817}{22176000}$	$\frac{6359789}{665280000}$	
		$\frac{768373}{166320000}$	$\frac{26767}{17740800}$	$\frac{23731}{79833600}$	$\frac{35533}{1330560000}$	$\frac{2}{5}$	$\frac{3}{5}$		
		$\frac{2254403}{958003200}$	$\frac{11873681}{266112000}$	$\frac{1152871}{16128000}$	$\frac{575959}{9504000}$	$\frac{16959871}{159667200}$	$\frac{6543319}{133056000}$	$\frac{26944583}{798336000}$	
		$\frac{3180127}{199584000}$	$\frac{2713189}{532224000}$	$\frac{473789}{479001600}$	$\frac{140263}{1596672000}$	-1	1	1	
									1
4	4/5	$\frac{131239}{285120000}$	$\frac{9055369}{997920000}$	$\frac{5220617}{399168000}$	$\frac{7382783}{249480000}$	$\frac{836489}{39916800}$	$\frac{5019643}{498960000}$	$\frac{4900639}{997920000}$	
		$\frac{114739}{49896000}$	$\frac{1483859}{1995840000}$	$\frac{9703}{66528000}$	$\frac{5219}{399168000}$	$\frac{1}{5}$	$\frac{4}{5}$		
		$\frac{3643247}{1596672000}$	$\frac{9934159}{217728000}$	$\frac{20360951}{319334400}$	$\frac{31041793}{199584000}$	$\frac{26356639}{798336000}$	$\frac{2988037}{399168000}$	$\frac{10416353}{798336000}$	
		$\frac{298957}{39916800}$	$\frac{4206509}{1596672000}$	$\frac{6857}{12672000}$	$\frac{6833}{136857600}$	-1	1	1	
									1
5	5/5	$\frac{8081}{3483648}$	$\frac{864845}{19160064}$	$\frac{853945}{12773376}$	$\frac{226015}{1596672}$	$\frac{897065}{6386688}$	$\frac{412585}{3193344}$	$\frac{237715}{6386688}$	
		$\frac{8345}{532224}$	$\frac{61595}{12773376}$	$\frac{2515}{2737152}$	$\frac{3097}{38320128}$	-1	1	0	
									1

coefficients are specified in Tables 1 and 2. In the same vein, the first derivative of the continuous scheme (7) is simplified and evaluated at $t = t_{n+c_i}$, $i = 0, 1, \dots, 10$, to give the set of formulas (9), whose coefficients are also specified in Tables 1 and 2.

In order to numerically integrate (1), we advance the BHM from t_n to t_{n+2} on the partition S_N , whereby the step $[t_n, y_n, y'_n] \mapsto [t_{n+2}, y_{n+2}, y'_{n+2}]$ is given by combining the following methods:

TABLE 2: Coefficients for (8) and (9).

j	c_j	f_n	$f_{n+1/5}$	$f_{n+2/5}$	$f_{n+3/5}$	$f_{n+4/5}$	f_{n+1}	$f_{n+6/5}$
		$f_{n+7/5}$	$f_{n+8/5}$	$f_{n+9/5}$	f_{n+2}	y_n	y_{n+1}	y_{n+c_j} y'_{n+c_j}
6	6/5	52559	57439	1944059	46169	17003551	4614871	8201
		114048000	6336000	147840000	1584000	665280000	110880000	26611200
		308353	59651	39091	16657	1	6	
		166320000	88704000	285120000	1330560000	5	5	
		2192681	12112253	1638893	284633	92835103	33386071	8008873
		958003200	266112000	25344000	1900800	798336000	133056000	114048000
		339457	184067	1030501	6227	-1	1	1
199584000	106444800	2395008000	145152000			1		
7	7/5	525907	206717	600379	4153733	14499731	2497271	1779187
		570240000	11404800	600379	71280000	285120000	28512000	57024000
		115861	968729	29903	1753	2	7	
		14256000	570240000	95040000	63360000	5	5	
		3715013	3083923	107183317	28201123	109363333	11930899	33443621
		1596672000	68428800	1596672000	199584000	798336000	57024000	159667200
		19286111	15090479	11593	109553	-1	1	1
199584000	1596672000	8064000	958003200			1		
8	8/5	1378159	13579127	13086961	730607	2503537	2237099	10950581
		997920000	498960000	332640000	8316000	33264000	16632000	166320000
		652601	83837	5647	31249	3	8	
		13860000	66528000	19958400	997920000	5	5	
		2160553	109910629	100192979	4435127	2394197	104957957	107579167
		958003200	2395008000	1596672000	28512000	22809600	399168000	798336000
		17260459	10696153	1127711	512461	-1	1	1
66528000	145152000	479001600	4790016000			1		
9	9/5	1231639	1337033	261313	1066201	2304569	3238111	11836081
		665280000	36960000	4928000	9240000	22176000	18480000	110880000
		473339	2868227	47953	5219	4	9	
		5544000	73920000	13305600	44352000	5	5	
		1694713	11545361	2687689	7627681	153488389	17118679	232099897
		684288000	266112000	35481600	66528000	798336000	133056000	798336000
		405337	145310747	164327473	399227	-1	1	1
3628800	532224000	2395008000	319334400			1		
10	10/5	14299	49025	396175	125525	329675	412585	329675
		6386688	1064448	6386688	798336	3193344	1596672	3193344
		125525	396175	49025	14299	-1	2	
		798336	6386688	1064448	6386688			
		14299	1121545	17905	80195	1893685	2691881	273215
		12773376	19160064	12773376	228096	6386688	3193344	580608
		1142485	1260145	243115	2099473	-1	1	1
1596672	12773376	709632	38320128			1		

$$y_{n+c_i} = \alpha_{c_i,0} y_n + \alpha_{c_i,1} y_{n+1} + h^2 \sum_{j=0}^{10} \beta_{c_i,c_j} f_{n+c_j}, \quad (8)$$

$$i = 1, \dots, 10, i \neq 5,$$

$$hy'_{n+c_i} = \alpha'_{c_i,0} y_n + \alpha'_{c_i,1} y_{n+1} + h^2 \sum_{j=0}^{10} \beta'_{c_i,c_j} f_{n+c_j}, \quad (9)$$

$$i = 0, \dots, 10,$$

TABLE 3: Coefficients for (8) and (9) including order p and error constant C_{c_j} and C'_{c_j} .

i	c_i	p	C_{c_i}	C'_{c_i}
0	0	11		$\frac{26927}{1330235156250000}$
1	1/5	11	$\frac{178589}{162421875000000000}$	$\frac{17123423}{425675250000000000}$
2	2/5	11	$\frac{477527}{974531250000000000}$	$\frac{27311}{55426464843750000}$
3	3/5	11	$\frac{911}{3806762695312500}$	$\frac{31838299}{2128376250000000000}$
4	4/5	11	$\frac{26927}{1330235156250000}$	$\frac{3131}{3023261718750000}$
5	1	11		$\frac{76733}{5675670000000000}$
6	6/5	11	$\frac{911}{3806762695312500}$	$\frac{3131}{3023261718750000}$
7	7/5	11	$\frac{477527}{974531250000000000}$	$\frac{31838299}{2128376250000000000}$
8	8/5	11	$\frac{443}{634460449218750}$	$\frac{27311}{55426464843750000}$
9	9/5	11	$\frac{178589}{162421875000000000}$	$\frac{17123423}{425675250000000000}$
10	2	12	$\frac{200621}{1021620600000000000}$	$\frac{26927}{1330235156250000}$

where $\alpha_{c_i,0}, \alpha_{c_i,1}, \alpha'_{c_i,0}, \alpha'_{c_i,1}, \beta_{c_i,c_j}, \beta'_{c_i,c_j}$ are coefficients given in Tables 1 and 2. We note that $f_{n+c_i} = f(t_{n+c_i}, y_{n+c_i}, y'_{n+c_i}), y(t_{n+c_i}) \approx y_{n+c_i}$, and $y'(t_{n+c_i}) \approx y'_{n+c_i}$.

3. Properties of the Method

Local Truncation Error. We define the local truncation errors (LTEs) of (8) and (9), specified by the coefficients in Tables 1 and 2 as

$$L_{c_i} [y(t_n); h] = y(t_n + c_i h) - \left(\alpha_{c_i,0} y(t_n) + \alpha_{c_i,1} y(t_n + h) + h^2 \sum_{j=0}^{10} \beta_{c_i,c_j} y''(t_n + c_j h) \right), \tag{10}$$

$$L'_{c_i} [y(t_n); h] = hy'(t_n + c_i h) - \left(\alpha'_{c_i,0} y(t_n) + \alpha'_{c_i,1} y(t_n + h) + h^2 \sum_{j=0}^{10} \beta'_{c_i,c_j} y''(t_n + c_j h) \right). \tag{11}$$

Assuming that $y(t)$ is sufficiently differentiable, we can expand the terms in L_{c_j} and L'_{c_j} as Taylor series about the point t_n to obtain the expressions for the LTEs as follows:

$$L_J [y(t_n); h] = C_{c_j} h^{p+2} y^{(p+2)}(t_n) + O(h^{p+3}),$$

$$L'_J [y(t_n); h] = C'_{c_j} h^{p+2} y^{(p+2)}(t_n) + O(h^{p+3}),$$

where p is the order and C_{c_j} and C'_{c_j} are the error constants.

Remark 1. The local truncation error constants of the BHM formulated from (8) and (9) and specified by the coefficients in Tables 1 and 2 as well as choosing $c_i = \{0, 1/5, \dots, 9/5, 2\}$ are displayed in Table 3.

Stability. BHM is formulated from (8) and (9) and defined in vector form as follows:

$$Y_{\mu+1} = [y_{n+c_1}, y_{n+c_2}, \dots, y_{n+c_{10}}, hy'_{n+c_1}, hy'_{n+c_2}, \dots, hy'_{n+c_{10}}]^T,$$

$$Y_{\mu} = [y_{n-c_9}, y_{n-c_8}, \dots, y_{n-c_1}, y_n, hy'_{n-c_9}, hy'_{n-c_8}, \dots, hy'_{n-c_1}, hy'_n]^T, \tag{12}$$

$$F_{\mu+1} = [f_{n+c_1}, f_{n+c_2}, \dots, f_{n+c_{10}}, hf'_{n+c_1}, hf'_{n+c_2}, \dots, hf'_{n+c_{10}}]^T,$$

$$F_{\mu} = [f_{n-c_9}, f_{n-c_8}, \dots, f_{n-c_1}, f_n, hf'_{n-c_9}, hf'_{n-c_8}, \dots, hf'_{n-c_1}, hf'_n]^T,$$

where $\mu = 0, \dots, N, n = 0, \dots, N$. The methods in (8) and (9) specified by the coefficients from Tables 1 and 2 are combined to give the BHM, which is expressed as

$$A_1 Y_{\mu+1} = A_0 Y_{\mu} + h^2 (B_0 F_{\mu} + B_1 F_{\mu+1}) \tag{13}$$

where $A_0, A_1, B_0,$ and B_1 are square matrices of dimension twenty whose elements characterize the method and are given by the coefficients of (8) and (9).

The linear stability of the BHM is discussed by applying the method to the test equation $y'' = -\lambda^2 y - \delta y'$, where λ is the frequency and δ is the damping (see [2]). Letting $Z = \lambda h$ and $Z^* = \delta h$, it is easily shown as in [2] that the application of (13) to the test equation yields

$$\begin{aligned} Y_{\mu+1} &= M(Z, Z^*) Y_\mu \\ &:= (A_1 - B_1(Z, Z^*))^{-1} (A_0 + B_0(Z, Z^*)) Y_\mu, \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

where the matrix $M(Z, Z^*)$ is the amplification matrix which determines the stability of the method.

Definition 2. The region of stability of the BHM is region throughout which the spectral radius $\rho(M(Z, Z^*)) \leq 1$ (see [2]).

Remark 3. It is observed that in the $(Z, \rho(M(Z)))$ -plane, the BHM is stable for $Z \in [0, 59.9896]$ as demonstrated in example 4.6 and confirmed in Figure 1(b).

Implementation. The methods specified by (8) and (9) are combined to form the BHM (37), which is then implemented in a block form on the nonoverlapping interval $[t_n, t_{n+2}]$, $n = 0, 2, \dots, N-2$. This approach has an advantage over the usual predictor-corrector methods, since it is self-starting. Initially, for $n = 0$, the block method is simultaneously applied on the subinterval $[t_0, t_2]$ to obtain $(y_i, y_i')^T$, $i = 1, \dots, 10$. Using the known values from the previous block, we obtain values on the next subinterval $[t_2, t_4]$, and the process is repeated until we reach the final interval $[t_{N-2}, t_N]$. In the spirit of [22], our code was written in Mathematica and the steps are given in Algorithm 1.

4. Numerical Examples

We solve a variety of oscillatory general second-order IVPs and Hamiltonian systems to illustrate the accuracy of our hybrid method. This is done via the maximum global error, where the maximum global error of the approximate solution is calculated as $Error = \max(|y(t_n) - y_n|)$, where $y(t_n)$ is the exact solution and y_n is the approximate solution on the partition S_N . We have also included the maximum global errors for the Hamiltonian ($ErrH = \max(|H_n - H_0|)$) as well as figures showing the global error of the Hamiltonian ($EH = |H_n - H_0|$) for each problem.

4.1. Application to Hamiltonian Systems. The following methods have been compared in this subsection.

- (i) Block Hybrid Method (BHM) of order 11 given in this paper,
- (ii) Generalized Adams method (GAM) of order 11 in [18].

Example 4. We consider the following oscillatory nonlinear system that was studied in [10]:

$$q'' + \begin{pmatrix} 13 & -12 \\ -12 & 13 \end{pmatrix} q = -\frac{\partial U}{\partial q}, \quad (15)$$

with $U(q) = q_1 q_2 (q_1 + q_2)^3$, and initial conditions

$$\begin{aligned} q(0) &= \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \\ q'(0) &= \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

such that the analytic solution of this system is $q = \begin{pmatrix} -\cos 5t - \sin 5t \\ \cos 5t + \sin 5t \end{pmatrix}$.

The Hamiltonian is

$$\begin{aligned} H(q, q') &= \frac{1}{2} q'^T q' + \frac{1}{2} q^T \begin{pmatrix} 13 & -12 \\ -12 & 13 \end{pmatrix} q + U(q). \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

This example is solved using both our BHM and GAM and the errors in the solution and Hamiltonian obtained are compared for different step-sizes. The results displayed in Table 4 show that our method is more accurate. Details of the results are also displayed in Figure 1.

Example 5. We consider the Fermi-Pasta-Ulam problem that has been studied in [10, 25]

$$x''(t) + Mx(t) = -\nabla U(x), \quad t \in [0, t_{end}], \quad (18)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} M &= \begin{pmatrix} 0_{m \times m} & 0_{m \times m} \\ 0_{m \times m} & \omega^2 I_{m \times m} \end{pmatrix}, \\ U(x) &= \frac{1}{4} \left[(x_1 - x_{m+1})^4 \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} (x_{i+1} - x_{m+i-1} - x_i - x_{m+i})^4 + (x_m + x_{2m})^4 \right], \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

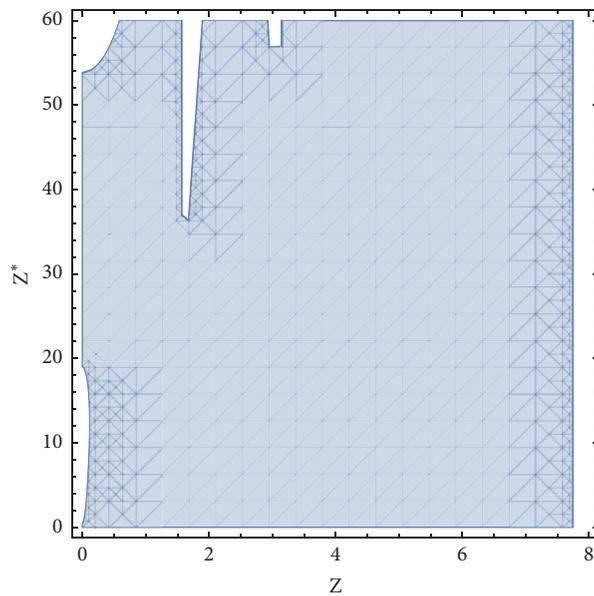
with initial conditions

$$\begin{aligned} m &= 3, \\ \omega &= 50, \\ x_1(0) &= 1, \\ y_1(0) &= 1, \\ x_4(0) &= \frac{1}{\omega}, \\ y_4(0) &= 1. \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

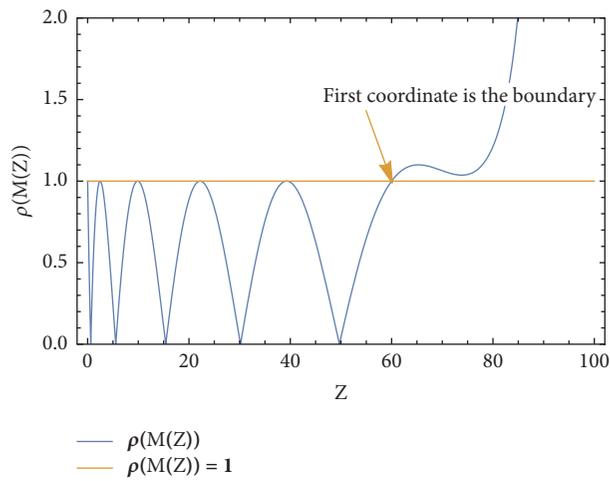
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(1) procedure ENTER PARTITIONS( $t_0, h, N, t_N, \text{variables}$ )
(2)   For  $t_n = t_{n-1} + h, n = 1, \dots, N, h = \frac{t_N - t_0}{N}$ 
(3)   Generate block from (13) System ▷ Initially on  $[t_0, t_2]$ 
(4)   Solve[System, variables] ▷ Block-by-block with respect to the
      variables(solutions) on  $[t_n, t_{n+2}], n = 0, 2, \dots, N - 2.$ 
(5)   Obtain  $(y_{n+q}, y'_{n+q})^T, i = 1, \dots, 10, n = 0, 2, \dots, N - 2.$  ▷ No need for starting
      values and predictors
(6) end Procedure
    
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ALGORITHM 1: BHM algorithm.



(a)



(b)

FIGURE 1: (a) The stability region for the BHM plotted in the (Z, Z^*) -plane and (b) the stability interval plotted in the $(Z, \rho(M(Z)))$ -plane when $\delta = 0$ ($Z^* = 0$) for the BHM.

TABLE 4: Comparison of global error for example 4.1 on the interval [0, 100].

h	BHM-Error	GAM-Error	BHM-HE	GAM-HE
1/2	4.58×10^0	1.25×10^1	2.95×10^3	5.16×10^3
1/4	7.54×10^{-8}	7.02×10^0	3.13×10^{-8}	1.95×10^4
1/8	2.20×10^{-11}	4.58×10^0	5.61×10^{-12}	3.37×10^3
1/16	4.95×10^{-14}	1.95×10^{-6}	1.62×10^{-12}	6.37×10^{-8}
1/32	9.15×10^{-14}	6.66×10^{-10}	3.78×10^{-12}	9.31×10^{-11}

TABLE 5: Comparison of global error for example 4.2 on the interval [0, 100].

h	BHM-HE	GAM-HE
1/8	1.83×10^{-1}	4.06×10^6
1/16	4.44×10^{-5}	5.02×10^{-1}
1/32	3.03×10^{-7}	1.83×10^{-1}
1/64	2.10×10^{-12}	2.10×10^{-4}
1/128	2.71×10^{-13}	2.16×10^{-8}

TABLE 6: Comparison of global error for example 4.3 on the interval [0, 50].

h	BHM-HE	GAM-HE
1/2	7.75×10^{-9}	1.97×10^{-2}
1/4	1.99×10^{-12}	7.31×10^{-5}
1/8	3.24×10^{-14}	1.39×10^{-7}
1/16	7.06×10^{-14}	5.76×10^{-11}
1/32	2.73×10^{-13}	2.25×10^{-14}

The remaining initial conditions are equal to zero, and the Hamiltonian is

$$H(x, y) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{2m} y_i^2 + \frac{\omega^2}{2} \sum_{i=1}^m x_{m+i}^2 + \frac{1}{4} \left[(x_1 - x_{m+1})^4 + \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} (x_{i+1} - x_{m+i-1} - x_i - x_{m+i})^4 + (x_m + x_{2m})^4 \right]. \tag{21}$$

This example is solved using both our BHM and GAM and the errors in the Hamiltonian obtained are compared for different step-sizes. The results displayed in Table 5 show that our method is more accurate. Details of the results are also displayed in Figure 2.

Example 6. We consider the pendulum oscillator given by

$$q'' = -\sin q, \tag{22}$$

with initial conditions

$$\begin{aligned} q(0) &= 0, \\ q'(0) &= 1.5, \end{aligned} \tag{23}$$

and Hamiltonian

$$H = \frac{1}{2} q'^2 - \cos q. \tag{24}$$

This example is solved using both our BHM and GAM and the errors in the Hamiltonian obtained are compared for different step-sizes. The results displayed in Table 6 show that our method is more accurate. Details of the results are also displayed in Figures 3 and 4.

Example 7. We consider the perturbed Kepler's problem given by

$$q_1'' = -\frac{q_1}{(q_1^2 + q_2^2)^{3/2}} - \frac{(2\epsilon + \epsilon^2) q_1}{(q_1^2 + q_2^2)^{5/2}}, \tag{25}$$

$$q_1(0) = 1, \quad q_1'(0) = 0,$$

$$q_2'' = -\frac{q_2}{(q_1^2 + q_2^2)^{3/2}} - \frac{(2\epsilon + \epsilon^2) q_2}{(q_1^2 + q_2^2)^{5/2}}, \tag{26}$$

$$q_2(0) = 0, \quad q_2'(0) = 1 + \epsilon,$$

where the exact solution of this problem is

$$q_1(t) = \cos(t + \epsilon t), \tag{27}$$

$$q_2(t) = \sin(t + \epsilon t),$$

and the Hamiltonian is

$$H = \frac{1}{2} (q_1'^2 + q_2'^2) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{q_1^2 + q_2^2}} - \frac{(2\epsilon + \epsilon^2)}{3(q_1^2 + q_2^2)^{3/2}}. \tag{28}$$

The system also has the angular momentum $L = q_1 q_2' - q_2 q_1'$ as a first integral. We let $\epsilon = 10^{-3}$.

This example is solved using both our BHM and GAM and the errors in the solution, Hamiltonian, and momentum obtained are compared for different step-sizes. The results displayed in Table 7 show that our method is more accurate. Details of the results are also displayed in Figure 5.

4.2. Oscillatory Problems with y' Present. The following methods have been compared in this subsection.

- (i) Block Hybrid Method (BHM) of order 11 given in this paper,

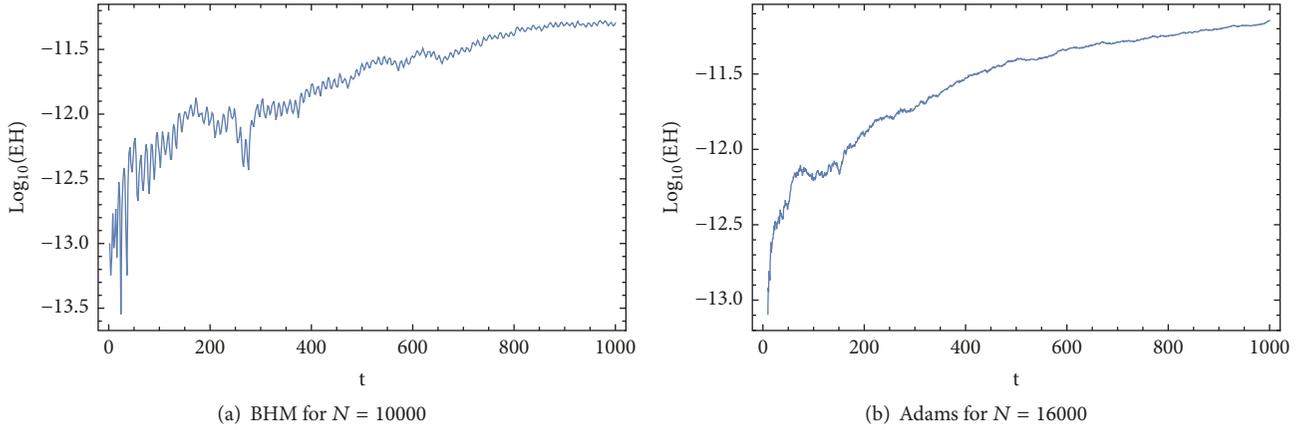


FIGURE 2: Results for 4.1. The logarithm of the global error of the Hamiltonian, $EH = |H_n - H_0|$ on the interval $[0, 1000]$.

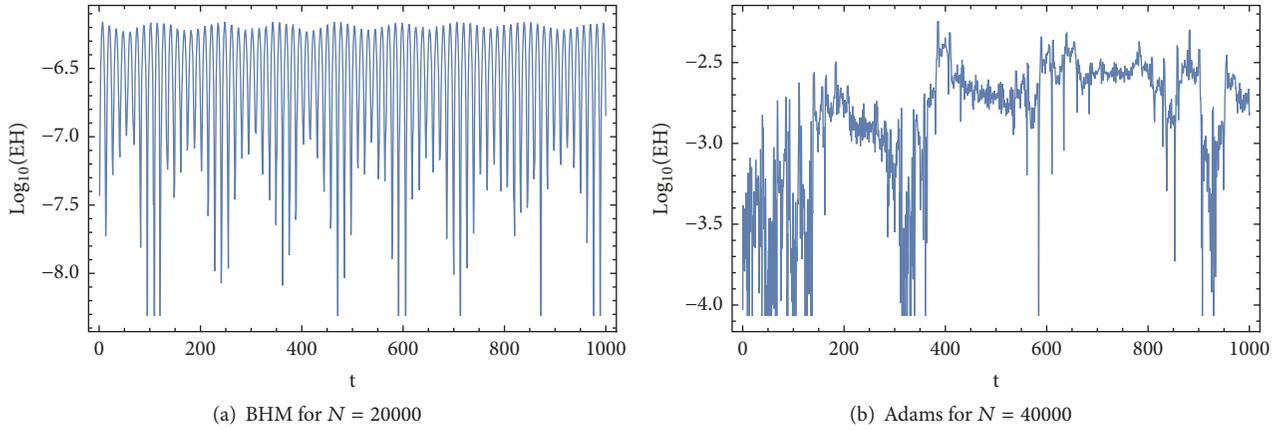


FIGURE 3: Results for example 4.2. The logarithm of the global error of the Hamiltonian, $EH = |H_n - H_0|$ on the interval $[0, 1000]$.

(ii) Generalized Adams method (GAM) of order 11 in [18].

Example 8. We consider the oscillatory system that is solved in [2]:

$$\begin{aligned}
 y'' + \begin{bmatrix} 13 & -12 \\ -12 & 13 \end{bmatrix} y &= \frac{12\varepsilon^2}{5} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} y' \\
 &+ \varepsilon^2 \begin{bmatrix} f_1(t) \\ f_2(t) \end{bmatrix}, \\
 y(0) &= \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon^2 \\ \varepsilon^2 \end{bmatrix}, \\
 y'(0) &= \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix},
 \end{aligned} \tag{29}$$

with $f_1(t) = (36/5) \sin t + 24 \sin 5t$ and $f_2(t) = -(24/5) \sin t - 36 \sin 5t$.

The exact solution of this system is $y = \begin{bmatrix} \sin t - \sin 5t + \varepsilon \cos t \\ \sin t + \sin 5t + \varepsilon \cos t \end{bmatrix}$.

This example is solved using both our BHM and GAM and the errors in the solution and the first derivative obtained are compared for different step-sizes. The results displayed in Tables 8 and 9 show that our method is more accurate. We note that this example was chosen to show that the BHM performs well on an oscillatory general second-order system of IVPs.

Example 9. We consider the following general second-order IVP given in [2]:

$$y'' + \omega^2 y = -\delta y', \tag{30}$$

$$y(0) = 1, \tag{31}$$

$$y'(0) = -\frac{\delta}{2}, \tag{32}$$

and the analytical solution is

$$y(t) = e^{-(\delta/2)t} \cos \left(t \sqrt{\omega^2 - \frac{\delta^2}{4}} \right), \tag{33}$$

$$\omega = 1, \delta = 10^{-3}.$$

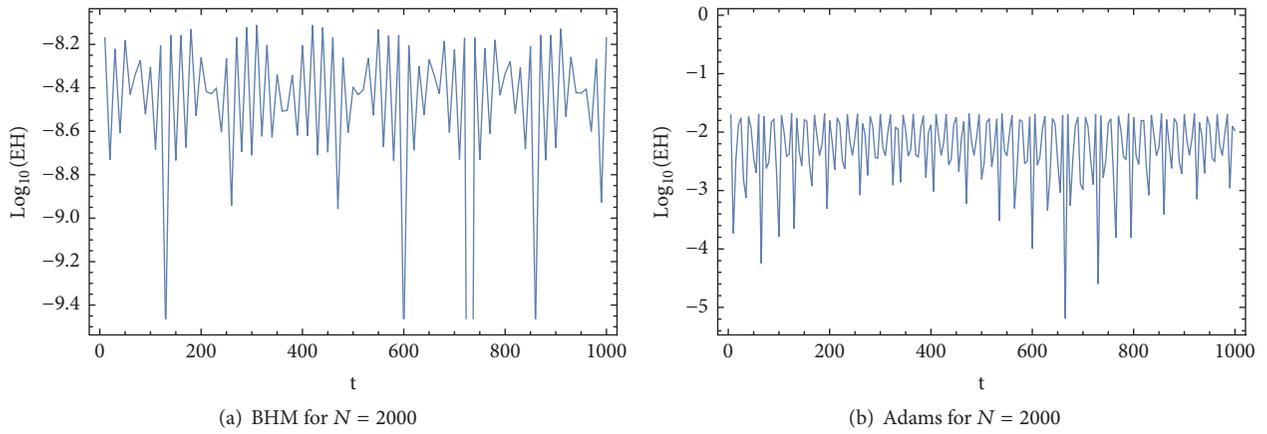


FIGURE 4: Results for example 4.3. The logarithm of the global error of the Hamiltonian, $EH = |H_n - H_0|$ on the interval $[0, 1000]$.

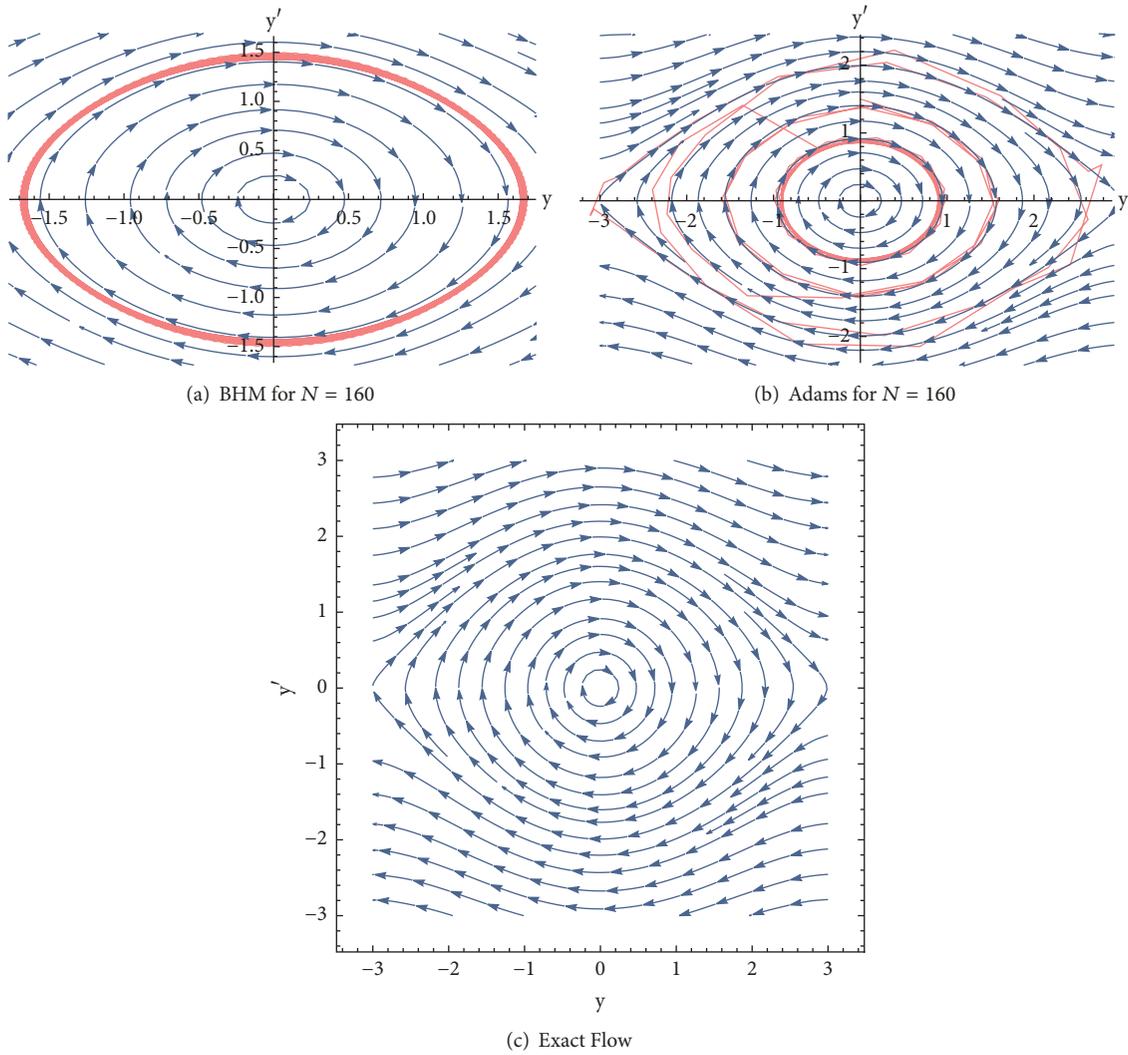


FIGURE 5: Results for example 4.3.

TABLE 7: Comparison of global error for example 4.4 on the interval [0, 100].

h	BHM-Error	GAM-Error	BHM-HE	GAM-HE	BHM-EL	GAM-EL
1/2	1.74×10^{-13}	1.86×10^3	5.27×10^{-15}	4.00×10^2	5.11×10^{-15}	2.31×10^0
1/4	8.62×10^{-13}	3.40×10^4	1.23×10^{-14}	7.35×10^4	1.24×10^{-14}	2.89×10^1
1/8	3.49×10^{-12}	1.27×10^4	2.11×10^{-14}	1.53×10^4	2.11×10^{-14}	3.07×10^0
1/16	6.94×10^{-12}	3.78×10^3	4.19×10^{-14}	8.21×10^2	4.20×10^{-14}	1.42×10^0
1/32	1.92×10^{-12}	5.43×10^{-12}	5.06×10^{-14}	3.69×10^{-14}	5.06×10^{-14}	3.69×10^{-14}

TABLE 8: Comparison of global error for example 4.5 on the interval [0, 100].

h	BHM-Error(y_1)	GAM-Error(y_1)	BHM-Error(y_2)	GAM-Error(y_2)
1	1.57×10^{-1}	1.65×10^0	1.57×10^{-1}	1.71×10^0
1/2	9.38×10^{-5}	1.94×10^0	9.38×10^{-5}	1.94×10^0
1/4	5.29×10^{-8}	9.88×10^{-1}	5.29×10^{-8}	9.88×10^{-1}
1/8	1.54×10^{-11}	4.72×10^{-4}	1.54×10^{-11}	4.72×10^{-4}
1/16	5.07×10^{-14}	1.36×10^{-6}	5.27×10^{-14}	1.36×10^{-6}

TABLE 9: Comparison of global error of the first derivatives for example 4.5 on the interval [0, 100].

h	BHM-Error(y_1')	GAM-Error(y_1')	BHM-Error(y_2')	GAM-Error(y_2')
1	7.53×10^{-1}	8.36×10^0	7.53×10^{-1}	8.35×10^0
1/2	4.66×10^{-4}	9.82×10^0	4.66×10^{-4}	9.82×10^0
1/4	2.61×10^{-7}	4.97×10^0	2.61×10^{-7}	4.97×10^0
1/8	7.65×10^{-11}	2.31×10^{-3}	7.64×10^{-11}	2.31×10^{-3}
1/16	9.92×10^{-14}	6.82×10^{-6}	9.84×10^{-14}	6.82×10^{-6}

TABLE 10: Comparison errors for example 4.6 on [0, 100].

h	BHM-Errors	Adams-Errors
2	1.83×10^{-6}	1.51×10^0
1	7.55×10^{-10}	5.81×10^{-2}
1/2	2.23×10^{-13}	2.97×10^{-5}
1/4	1.77×10^{-14}	2.10×10^{-8}
1/8	4.51×10^{-14}	6.36×10^{-12}

This example is solved using both our BHM and GAM and the errors obtained are compared for different step-sizes. The results displayed in Table 10 show that our method is more accurate.

4.3. Efficiency Curves for Four Methods. In this subsection, we have solved examples 4.1–4.6 and generated efficiency curves for four methods. In particular, we have compared three methods given in the literature to the BHM given in this paper by plotting $\log_{10}(\text{Error})$ versus N as well as $\log_{10}(\text{Error})$ versus *CPU Time*. The plots given in Figure 7 show that the BHM is the most efficient in terms of the size of N , since smaller values of N give greater accuracy. However, the GAM performs better in terms of CPU time. Nevertheless, the BHM remains competitive pertaining to the CPU time. We note that the high accuracy of the BHM is due to the fact that the error constants for all the members of the BHM are smaller than those of the GAM. For instance, the error constant

for the main method for the BHM is -1.964×10^{-13} , while the error constant for the GAM is -5.924×10^{-3} . In this subsection, the following methods have been compared and the details of these comparisons are given in Figure 7:

- (i) Block Hybrid Method (BHM) of order 11 given in this paper,
- (ii) Generalized Adams method (GAM) of order 11 given in [18],
- (iii) Block Continuous Hybrid Integrator of order 9 given in [26],
- (iv) the 10-step block Falkner-type method of order 11 given in [27].

4.4. Application to a PDE

Example 10. We consider the Telegraph equation which was also solved in [22]:

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} + 2\pi \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \pi^2 u = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \pi^2 \sin \pi x (\sin \pi t + 2 \cos \pi t), \tag{34}$$

$$0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq t \leq 1.$$

The analytical solution is given by

$$u(x, t) = \sin \pi x \sin \pi t \tag{35}$$

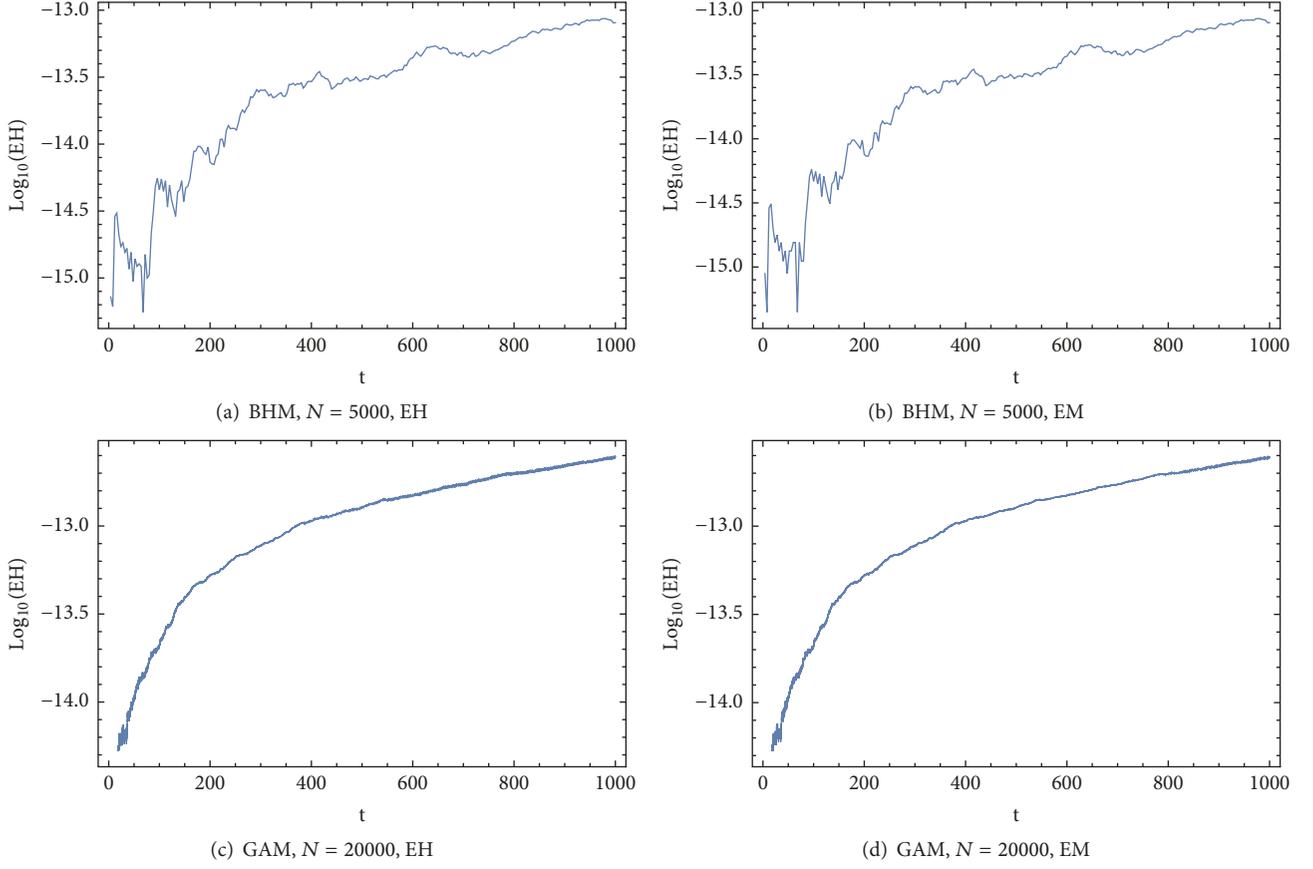


FIGURE 6: Results for example 4.4: the logarithm (\log_{10}) of the global error of the Hamiltonian $EH = |H_n - H_0|$ and the logarithm of the global error of Momentum $EM = |L_n - L_0|$ on the interval $[0, 1000]$.

and the initial conditions are defined to match the analytical solution.

This PDE is solved by first discretization the spatial variable x via the finite difference method to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^2 u_i(t)}{\partial t^2} + 2\pi \frac{\partial u_i(t)}{\partial t} + \pi^2 u_i(t) \\ - \frac{(u_{i+1}(t) - 2u_i(t) + u_{i-1}(t))}{(\Delta x)^2} = g_i(t), \\ 0 < t < 1, \end{aligned} \quad (36)$$

$$u(x_i, 0) = u_i,$$

$$u_t(x_i, 0) = u'_i,$$

$$i = 1, \dots, M - 1,$$

where $\Delta x = (x_0 - x_M)/M$, $x_i = x_0 + i\Delta x$, $i = 0, 1, \dots, M$, $\mathbf{u} = [u_1(t), \dots, u_M(t)]^T$, $\mathbf{G} = [g_1(t), \dots, g_M(t)]^T$, $u_i(t) \approx u(x_i, t)$, $\mathbf{u}_0 = 0$, $i = 1, \dots, M$, $\mathbf{u}'_0 = \pi \sin(\pi x_i)$, $i = 1, \dots, M$, and $g_i(t) \approx g(x_i, t) = \pi^2 \sin(\pi x_i)(\sin(\pi t) + \cos(\pi t))$, which can be written in the form

$$\mathbf{u}'' = \mathbf{f}(t, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}'), \quad (37)$$

subject to the initial conditions $\mathbf{u}(t_0) = \mathbf{u}_0$, $\mathbf{u}'(t_0) = \mathbf{u}'_0$, where $\mathbf{f}(t, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}') = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{G}$, and \mathbf{L} is an $M \times M$ matrix arising from the semidiscretized system and \mathbf{G} is a vector of constants (Figure 8).

This example is chosen to show that the BHM performs well on PDEs such as the Telegraph equation and this is confirmed by the results displayed in Figure 6.

4.5. Application to a Stiff Problem

Example 11. We consider the stiff second-order IVP (see [28])

$$y_1'' = (\varepsilon - 2)y_1 + (2\varepsilon - 2)y_2, \quad (38)$$

$$y_2'' = (1 - \varepsilon)y_1 + (1 - 2\varepsilon)y_2, \quad (39)$$

$$y_1(0) = 2, \quad (40)$$

$$y_1'(0) = 0, \quad (41)$$

$$y_2(0) = -1, \quad (42)$$

$$y_2'(0) = 0, \quad (43)$$

$$\varepsilon = 2500, \quad (44)$$

$$t \in [0, 100]. \quad (45)$$

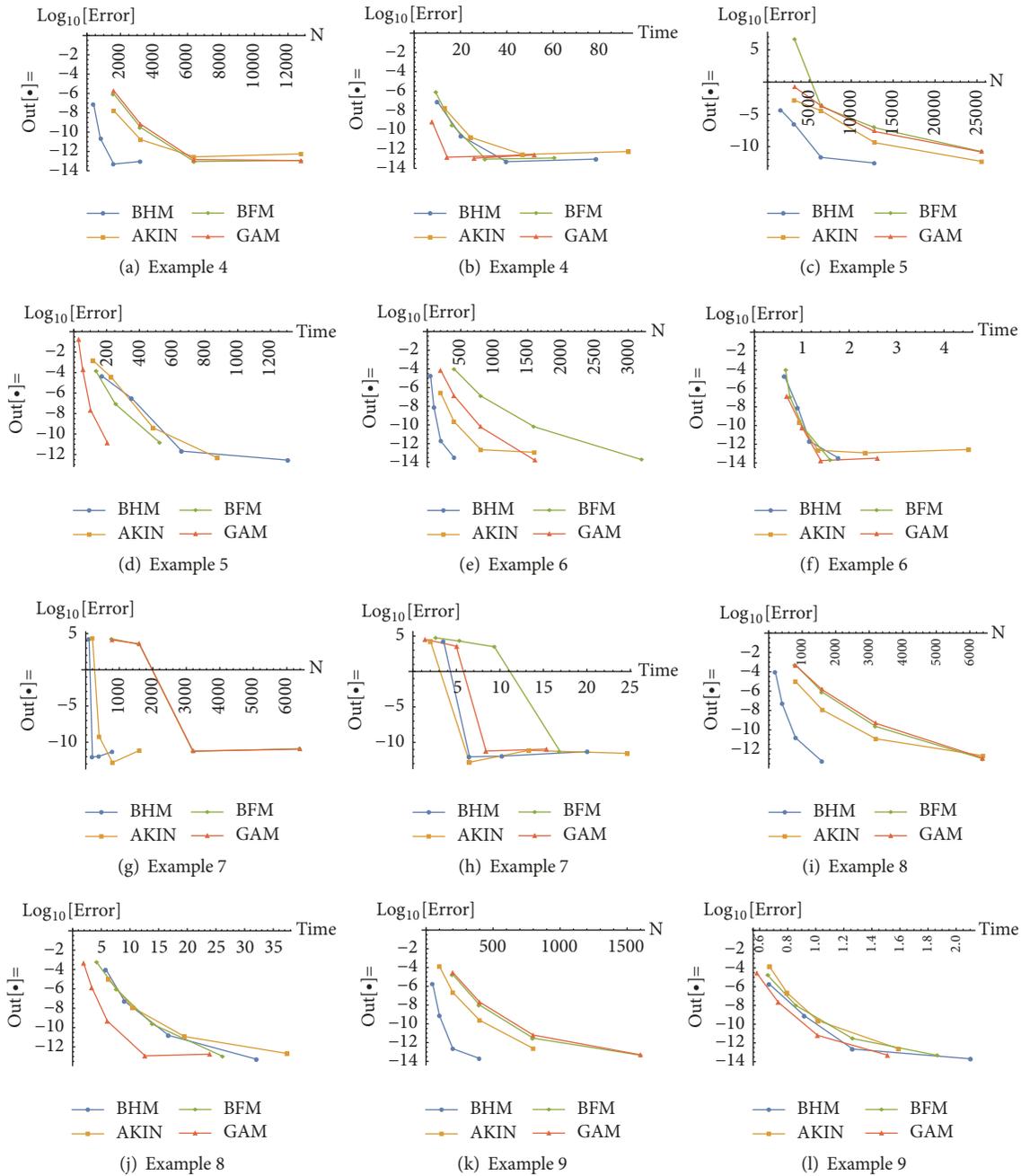


FIGURE 7: Efficiency curves for examples 4.1-4.6. The labels (a), (c), (e), (g), (i), and (k) represent the $\log_{10}(\text{Error})$ versus N , where $N = (t_N - t_0)/h$. The labels (b), (d), (f), (h), (j), and (l) represent the $\log_{10}(\text{Error})$ versus CPU Time.

$y_1(t) = 2 \cos t$, $y_2(t) = -\cos t$, where ε is an arbitrary parameter.

This problem was chosen to justify that the stability of the BHM is achieved when $Z \in [0, 59.9896]$. In Table 11, we give the absolute errors at selected values of t , which indicate that, choosing $N = 646$, the method is stable since, for this value of N , $Z \in [0, 59.9896]$. However, for $N = 645$, $Z \ni [0, 59.9896]$; hence the method becomes unstable.

5. Conclusion

We have proposed a BHM of order 11 for solving systems of general second-order IVPs and Hamiltonian systems. The BHM is formulated from a continuous scheme based on a hybrid method of a linear multistep type with several off-grid points and implemented in a block-by-block manner. In this way, starting values and predictors which are generally considered drawbacks in the implementation of predictor-corrector

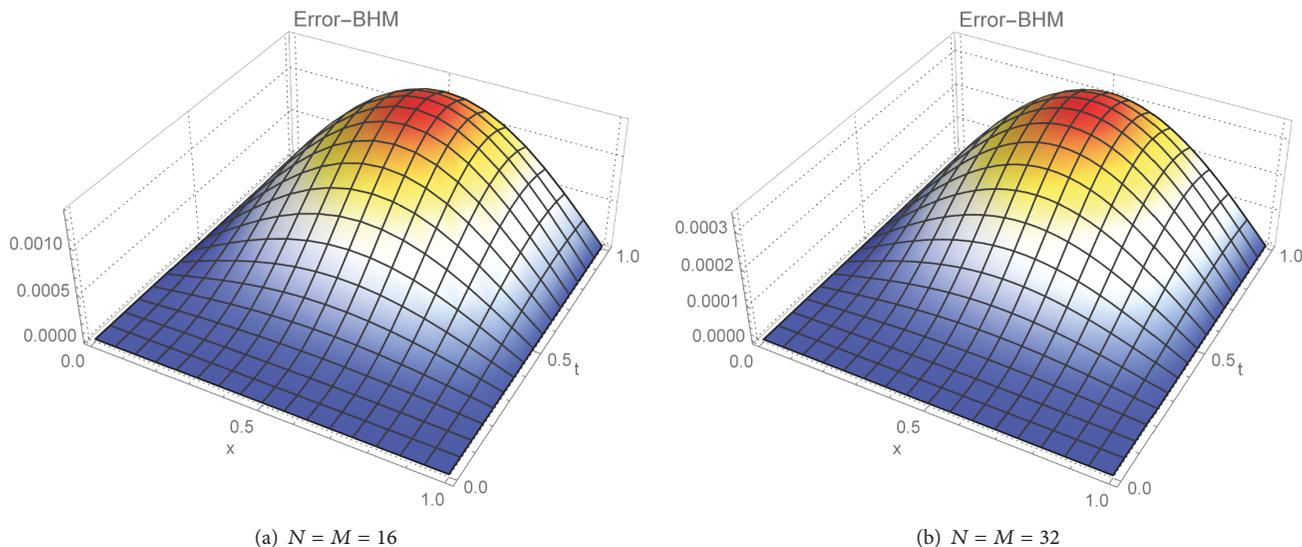


FIGURE 8: Errors for various values of N and M for example 4.7.

TABLE 11: Demonstrating stability using absolute errors for example 4.7. on the interval [0, 100].

x	N = 646 (Z ∈ [0, 59.9896])	N = 645 (Z ∋ [0, 59.9896])
	BHM-Err	BHM-Err
10.0	1.4×10^{-13}	3.2×10^{-12}
20.0	1.0×10^{-12}	2.9×10^{-11}
30.0	2.1×10^{-12}	4.0×10^{-11}
40.0	2.5×10^{-12}	1.7×10^{-9}
50.0	4.1×10^{-14}	2.0×10^{-7}
60.0	2.8×10^{-12}	4.0×10^{-6}
70.0	1.8×10^{-12}	6.4×10^{-6}
80.0	7.9×10^{-14}	2.6×10^{-4}
90.0	1.4×10^{-12}	3.2×10^{-2}
100.0	1.7×10^{-12}	6.3×10^{-1}

methods are avoided. The properties of the BHM are discussed and the performance of the method is demonstrated on several numerical examples. In particular, the superiority in terms of accuracy of the BHM over comparable methods given in the literature is established numerically. Our future research will be focused on developing methods for oscillatory systems arising from the semidiscretization of hyperbolic partial differential equations.

Data Availability

The data used to support the findings of this study are available from the corresponding author upon request.

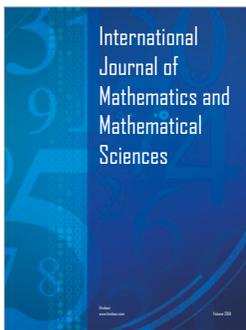
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