
Finite Difference Method of Boundary Problem for Nonlinear Pseudo-Hyperbolic Systems*

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§1 In the study of the practical problems, such as the forced vibration of plane boundary layer, the transfer of the bioelectric signal in aminal nervous systems and so forth, the linear and nonlinear equations with the main part of form $u_{ii} - u_{xxi}$ of pseudo-hyperbolic type often appear. Many authors have paid attention to solve various problems for the linear and nonlinear pseudo-hyperbolic equations [1-6]. For a fairly general family of nonlinear pseudo-hyperbolic systems, which contains above mentioned equations as simple special cases, the global solutions of the periodic boundary problems and the initial problems are obtained by Galerkin's method in [7].

In [8] the nonlinear pseudo-hyperbolic system

$$(-1)^{M}u_{1i} + A(x, t, u, u_{x} \cdots, u_{x^{1H-1}}, u_{i}, u_{xi}, \cdots, u_{x^{H-1}i})u_{x^{1H}i}$$

$$= P(x, t, u, u_{x} \cdots, u_{x^{H-1}U_{i}}, u_{xi}, \cdots, u_{x^{H-1}i})$$
(1)

with the boundary conditions

$$u_{xx}(0,t) = u_{xx}(1,t) = 0$$
 $(k = 0,1,\dots,M-1)$ (2)

and the initial conditions

$$u(x,0) = \varphi(x),$$

$$u_1(x,0) = \psi(x).$$
(3)

is considered in rectangular domain $Q_T = \{0 \le x \le l; 0 \le t \le T\}$, where $u(x, t) = (u_1(x, t), \dots, u_m(x, t))$ is a m-dimensional vector valued function.

Assume that the following conditions are fulfilled,

(I) $A \equiv A(x,t,p,q) \equiv A(x,t,p_0,p_1,\dots,p_{2M-1},q_0,q_1,\dots,g_{M-1})$ is a m×m positively definite continuous matrix in $E = \{(x,t) \in Q_T, p_0,p_1,\dots,p_{2M-1},q_0,q_1,\dots,q_{M-1} \in \mathbb{R}^m\}$ i. e, for any m-dimensional vector $\xi \in \mathbb{R}^m$, $(\xi,A(x,t,p,q)\xi) \geqslant a|\xi|^2$, where a > 0, $(x,t,p,q) \in E$.

(II) $F = F(x, t, p, q) = F\{x, t, p_0, p_1, \dots, p_{2M-1}; q_0, q_1, \dots, q_{M-1}\}$ is a m-dimensional

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vector valued continuous function in E, satisfying the relation

$$|F(x,t,p,q)| \leq K_1 \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{2M-1} |p_k| + \sum_{k=0}^{M-1} |q_k| + 1 \right\},$$
 (4)

where K₁ is a constant.

(III) $\varphi(x)$ and $\psi(x)$ are two m-dimensional vector valued initial functions, belonging to $C^{(2M)}([0,l])$ and $C^{(M)}([0,l])$ respectively and satisfying the boundary conditions (2), i. e., $\varphi(x)$ and $\psi(x)$ with their derivatives up to order M-1 vanish at the ends (x=0,l) of the the segment [0,l].

(N) A(x,t,p,q) and F(x,t,p,q) are Lipschitz continuous in $E_R = \{(x,t) \in Q_T; |p_b|, |q_{1,1}| \le R, k = 0,1,\dots,2M-1, k' = 0,1,\dots,M-1\}$ for any R > 0.

We know that under the conditions (1), (1), (1) and (1), the boundary problem (2), (3) for the nonlinear pseudo-hyperbolic system (1) has an unique solution $u(x,t) \in Z \equiv W_2^{(1)}((0,T);W_2^{(2M)}(0,l)) \cap W_{\infty}^{(1)}((0,T);W_2^{(M)}(0,l)) \cap W_2^{(2)}((0,T);L_2(0,l))$. The purpose of this note is to study the boundary problem (2), (3) for the system (1) by the finite difference method, under the above conditions (1), (1), (1) and (1).

We adopt the notations and conventions of [9].

Let $\{u_i\}$ be a discrete function defined on $x_i = jh$, j = 0, $1, \dots, J$, Jh = l. Denote the scalar product of two discrete functions $\{u_i\}$ and $\{v_i\}$ by $(u, v)_h = \sum_{j=0}^J u_j v_j h$, and $\|u\|_h = (u, u)_h$. Also $\|u\|_\infty = \max_{i=0}^J |u_i|$.

We take the notation $\Delta_+ u_i = u_{j+1} - u_j$, $\Delta_- u_j = u_j - u_{j-1}$. Similarly, we have $\|\partial_h u\|_k^2 = \sum_{j=0}^{J-1} \left| \frac{\Delta_+ u_j}{h} \right|^2 h = \sum_{j=1}^{J} \left| \frac{\Delta_- u_j}{h} \right|^2 h$, $\|\partial_h u\|_{\infty} = \max_{j=0,1,\cdots,|J-1|} \left| \frac{\Delta_+ u_j}{h} \right|$ and so on.

The following lemmas[9] are used in later discussions.

LEMMA 1 For any discrete function $\{u_i\}$ $(i=0,1,\dots,J)$ on the finite interval [0,l], there are the interpolation formula

$$\|\delta_h^k u\|_h \leq K_2 \|u\|_h^{1-\frac{h}{n}} \left(\|\delta_h^n u\|_h + \frac{\|u\|_h}{I^n}\right)^{\frac{h}{n}}, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots n$$
 (5)

and

$$\|\delta_{h}^{h}u\|_{\infty} \leq K_{3}\|u\|_{h^{1-\frac{h+\frac{1}{2}}{n}}} \left(\|\delta_{h}^{n}u\|_{h} + \frac{\|u\|_{h}}{l^{n}}\right)^{\frac{h+\frac{1}{2}}{n}}, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n-1,$$
 (6)

where K_2 and K_3 are constants independent of h, l and $\{u_i\}$.

LEMMA 2 For any discrete function $\{u_j\}$ $(j=0,1,\dots,J)$ on the finite interval [0,1] and any given $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a constant $K(\varepsilon,n)$, depending only on ε and n, such that

$$\|\delta^* u\|_{L} \leq \varepsilon \|\delta^* u\|_{L} + K(\varepsilon, n) \|u\|_{L} \tag{7}$$

and

$$\|\delta_h^* u\|_{\infty} \leq \varepsilon \|\delta_h^* u\|_h + K(\varepsilon, n) \|u\|_h, \tag{8}$$

where $k = 0, 0, 1, \dots, n-1$.

LEMMA 3 For any discrete function $\{u_i\}$ $(i=0,1,\dots,J)$, satisfying the homogeneous boundary conditions $u_i=u_{J-i}=0$ $(i=0,1,\dots,M-1)$, there is

$$\|\delta_{h}^{h}u\|_{h} \leq K_{4}l^{M-h}\|\delta_{h}^{M}u\|_{h} \qquad (k=0,1,\cdots,M-1),$$
 (9)

where K_4 is independent h, l and $\{u_i\}$.

§2 Suppose that the rectangular domain Q_T is divided into small grids by the parallel lines $x = x_i$ $(j = 0, 1, \dots, J)$ and $t = t^n$ $(n = 0, 1, \dots, N)$, where $x_i = jh$, $t^n = n\Delta t$ and Jh = l, $N\Delta t = T$. Denote the m-dimensional vector valued function on the grid point (x_i, t^n) by $v_i^n (j = 0, 1, \dots, J; n = 0, 1, \dots, N)$.

Let us construct the finite difference scheme

$$(-1)^{M} \frac{v_{j}^{n+1} - 2v_{j}^{n} + v_{j}^{n-1}}{\Delta t^{2}} + \widetilde{A}_{j}^{n+a} \frac{\Delta_{+}^{M} \Delta_{-}^{M} (v_{j}^{n+a} - v_{j}^{n-1+a})}{h^{2M} \Delta t} = F_{j}^{n+a}$$

$$(j = M, \dots, J - M; \quad n = 1, \dots, N-1)$$
(1)

corresponding to the nonlinear pseudo-hyperbolic system (1), where

$$\widetilde{A}_{j}^{n+\alpha} = A \left(x_{i*}, t^{n*}, p_{0j}^{n+\alpha}, p_{1j}^{n+\alpha}, \cdots, p_{3M-1,j}^{n+\alpha}, q_{01}^{n+\alpha}, q_{1j}^{n+\alpha}, \cdots, q_{M-1;j}^{n+\alpha} \right),
F_{i}^{n+\alpha} = F \left(x_{i*}, t^{n*}, \overline{p}_{0i}^{n+\alpha}, \overline{p}_{1i}^{n+\alpha}, \cdots, \overline{p}_{2M-1;j}^{n+\alpha}, \overline{q}_{01}^{n+\alpha}, \overline{q}_{1j}^{n+\alpha}, \cdots, \overline{q}_{M-1;j}^{n+\alpha} \right)$$
(10)

and

$$p_{kj}^{n+a} = \sum_{i=j-M}^{j+M-k} \frac{1}{h^k} \Delta_+^k (a \lambda_{ki}^1 v_i^{n+1} + \lambda_{ki}^{11} v_i^n + \lambda_{ki}^{111} v_i^{n-1}) ,$$

$$\bar{p}_{kj}^{n+a} = \sum_{i=j-M}^{j+M-k} \frac{1}{h^k} \Delta_i^k \left(\bar{\lambda}_{ki}^1 v_i^{n+1} + \bar{\lambda}_{ki}^{11} v_i^{n-1+a} \right), \qquad k = 0, 1, \dots, 2M-1,$$
(11)

$$q_{kj}^{n+\alpha} = \sum_{j=j-M}^{j+M-k} \frac{1}{h^k} \Delta_{+}^{k} \left[\alpha u_{k}^{k} \left(\frac{v_i^{n+1} - v_i^{n}}{\Delta t} \right) + \mu_{ki}^{m} \left(\frac{v_i^{n} - v_i^{n-1}}{\Delta t} \right) \right],$$

$$\bar{q}_{kj}^{n+\alpha} = \sum_{i=j-M}^{j+M-k} \mu_{ki} \frac{\Delta_{+}^{k} (v_{i}^{n+\alpha} - v_{i}^{-k+\alpha})}{h^{k} \Delta t}, \qquad k = 0, 1, \dots, M-1;$$
 (12)

here all λ' s and μ' s are constants and $\sum_{i=j-M}^{j+M-k} (\alpha \lambda'_{ki} + \lambda''_{ki} + \lambda''_{ki}) = \sum_{i=j-M}^{j+M-k} (\bar{\lambda}'_{ki} + \bar{\lambda}''_{ki}) = 1 \ (k=0, 1)$

1, ...,
$$2M-1$$
) and $\sum_{i=j-M}^{j+M-k} (\alpha \mu_{ki}^* + \mu_{ki}^*) = \sum_{i=j-M}^{j+M-k} \mu_{ki} = 1 (k=0,1,\dots,M-1)$ also $j-M \le j \le j$

+ M, $n-1 \le n \le n+1$. The corresponding finite difference boundary conditions are

$$\Delta_{+}^{k}v_{0}^{n} = \Delta_{-}^{k}v_{J}^{n} = 0$$
 $(k = 0, 1, \dots, M - 1; J = 2, \dots, N)$ (2)

The corresponding finite difference initial conditions

$$v_i^0 = \overline{\psi}_i$$

$$\frac{\boldsymbol{v}_{i}^{1}-\boldsymbol{v}_{j}^{0}}{\Delta t}=\vec{\boldsymbol{\psi}}_{j} \qquad (j=0,1,\cdots,J)$$
(3),

where $\vec{\psi}_i = \Psi(x_i)$, $\vec{\psi}_i = \psi(x_i)$ $(i = M, \dots, J - M)$ and $\vec{\varphi}_k = \vec{\varphi}_{J-k} = \vec{\psi}_k = \vec{\psi}_{J-k} = 0$ $(k = 0, 1, \dots, M-1)$

The existence of the solution $v_j^n(j=0,1,\dots,j;\ n=0,1,\dots,N)$ for the finite difference system $(1)_{++}(2)_{++}$ and $(3)_{++}$ can be proved by the way of the fixed point technique.

LEMMA 4 Under the conditions (1) and (11), for sufficient small Δt , the finite difference system (1)_k, (2)_k and (3)_k has at least one solution $v_j^n(j=0,1,\cdots,J_1,n=0,1,\cdots,N)$, where $0 \le a \le 1$.

§3 Taking the scalar product of the vectors $\frac{\Delta^M \Delta^M Z_j^{n+\alpha}}{h^{2M}} h \Delta t$ and the vector equations (1)_h and then summing up the resulting relations $j = M, \dots, J - M$, we get

$$(-1)^{M} \sum_{j=M}^{J-M} \left(\frac{\Delta_{+}^{M} \Delta_{-}^{M} z_{j}^{n+\alpha}}{h^{2M}}, z_{j}^{n+1} - z_{j}^{n} \right) h + \Delta t \sum_{j=M}^{J-M} \left(\frac{\Delta_{+}^{M} \Delta_{-}^{M} z_{j}^{n+\alpha}}{h^{2M}}, \widetilde{A}_{j}^{n+\alpha} \Delta_{-}^{M} \Delta_{-}^{M} z_{j}^{n+\alpha} \right) h$$

$$= \Delta t \sum_{i=M}^{J-M} \left(\frac{\Delta_{+}^{M} \Delta_{-}^{M} z_{j}^{n+\alpha}}{h^{2M}}, F_{i}^{n+\alpha} \right), \qquad n = 1, 2, \dots, N-1,$$

where $z_i^{n+1} = \frac{v_i^{n+1} - v_j^n}{\Delta t}$. Then we have

$$\sum_{i=a}^{J-M} \left(\frac{\Delta_{+}^{M} z_{i}^{n+\alpha}}{h^{M}}, \frac{\Delta_{+}^{M} (z_{i}^{n+1} - z_{i}^{n})}{h^{M}} \right) h + \frac{a}{2} \Delta t \| \delta_{h}^{2M} z^{n+\alpha} \|_{h}^{2} \leqslant \frac{\Delta t}{2a} \| F^{n+\alpha} \|_{h}^{2}.$$
 (13)

Here

$$\|P^{n+\alpha}\|_{k}^{2} \leq (3M+1)K_{1}^{2} \sum_{j=M}^{J-M} \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{2M-1} |\overline{p}_{kj}^{n+\alpha}| + \sum_{k=0}^{M-1} |\overline{q}_{kj}^{n+\alpha}| + 1 \right\} ii$$

$$\leq C_{1} \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{2M-1} (\|\delta_{k}^{k}v^{n+\alpha}\|_{n}^{2} + \|\delta_{k}^{k}v^{n-1+\alpha}\|_{k}^{2}) + \sum_{k=0}^{M-1} \|\delta_{k}^{k}z^{n+\alpha}\|_{k}^{2} + 1 \right\}.$$

Using the results of Lemmas 2 and 3 the above expression can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} \|F^{n+\alpha}\|_{h}^{2} &\leq MC_{1}\varepsilon \left(\|\delta_{h}^{2M}v^{n+\alpha}\|_{h}^{2} + \|\delta_{h}^{2M}v^{n+1+\alpha}\|_{h}^{2} \right) \\ &+ C_{2} \left(\|\delta_{h}^{M}v^{n+\alpha}\|_{h}^{2} + \|\delta_{h}^{M}v^{n-1+\alpha}\|_{h}^{2} \right) + C_{3} \|\delta_{h}^{M}z^{n+\alpha}\|_{h}^{2} + C_{4}, \end{aligned}$$

because $\{v_j^{n+\alpha}\}$ and $\{z_j^{n+\alpha}\}$ satisfy the boundary conditions (2)_k for $n=0,1,\cdots,N-1$. Then (13)becomes

$$\|\boldsymbol{\delta}_{h}^{M}\boldsymbol{z}^{n+1}\|_{h}^{2} - \|\boldsymbol{\delta}_{h}^{M}\boldsymbol{z}^{n}\|_{h}^{2} + (2\alpha - 1)\|\boldsymbol{\delta}_{h}^{M}(\boldsymbol{z}^{n+1} - \boldsymbol{z}^{n})\|_{h}^{2} + \frac{a\Delta t}{2}\|\boldsymbol{\delta}_{h}^{2M}\boldsymbol{z}^{n+a}\|_{h}^{2}$$

$$\leq \Delta t \frac{MC}{2a} \varepsilon \left(\|\boldsymbol{\delta}_{h}^{2M}\boldsymbol{v}^{n+a}\|_{h}^{2} + \|\boldsymbol{\delta}_{h}^{2M}\boldsymbol{v}^{n-1+a}\|_{h}^{2}\right)$$

$$+ \Delta t \frac{C_{2}}{2a} \left(\|\boldsymbol{\delta}_{h}^{M}\boldsymbol{v}^{n+a}\|_{h}^{2} + \|\boldsymbol{\delta}_{h}^{M}\boldsymbol{v}^{n-1+a}\|_{h}^{2}\right) + \Delta t \frac{C_{3}}{2a}\|\boldsymbol{\delta}_{h}^{M}\boldsymbol{z}^{n+a}\|_{h}^{2} + \frac{C_{4}}{2a},$$

$$(14)$$

where $n = 1, 2, \dots, N - 1$.

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It is evident that

$$\frac{\Delta_+^k v_j^{n+a}}{h^k} = \frac{\Delta_+^k v_j^a}{h^k} + \sum_{m=1}^n \frac{\Delta_+^k z_j^{m+a}}{h^k} \Delta t_{\bullet}$$

Summing up for $j = 0, 1, \dots, J - K$, we have

$$\| \partial_h^h v^{n+\alpha} \|_h^2 \leq 2 \| \partial_h^h v^{\alpha} \|_h^2 + 2T \sum_{m=1}^n \| \partial_h^h z^{m+\alpha} \|_h^2 \Delta t, \tag{15}$$

where $v_j^{\alpha} = \alpha \overline{\psi}_j \Delta t + \overline{\varphi}_i$ $(j = 0, 1, \dots, J)$ and $k = 0, 1, \dots, 2M$. Let us assume $\frac{1}{2} \le \alpha \le 1$.

Substituting (15) for k = M and 2M into (14), we get

$$\begin{split} \|\delta_{h}^{M}z^{n+1}\|_{h}^{2} - \|\delta_{h}^{M}z^{n}\|_{h}^{2} + \frac{a\Delta t}{2} \|\delta_{h}^{2M}z^{n+a}\|_{h}^{2} \\ &\leq 2\Delta t \varepsilon \frac{MC_{1}T}{a} \left(\sum_{m=1}^{n} \|\delta_{h}^{2M}z^{n+a}\|_{h}^{2} \Delta t + \sum_{m=1}^{n} \|\delta_{h}^{M}z^{n+a}\|_{h}^{2} \Delta t \right) \\ &+ \Delta t \frac{C_{3}}{2a} \|\delta_{h}^{M}z^{n+a}\|_{h}^{2} \\ &+ \frac{\Delta t}{2a} (C_{4} + 4MC_{1}\varepsilon \|\delta_{h}^{2M}v^{a}\|_{h}^{2} + 4C_{2} \|\delta_{h}^{M}v^{a}\|_{h}^{2}). \end{split}$$

Summing up to above inequality for n running over the values $1, 2, \dots, n$, then we obtain

$$\begin{split} \|\delta_{h}^{M}z^{n+1}\|_{h}^{2} - \|\delta_{h}^{M}z^{1}\|_{h}^{2} + \frac{a}{2} \sum_{m=1}^{n} \|\delta_{h}^{2M}z^{m+a}\|_{h}^{2} \Delta t \\ \leqslant \varepsilon \left(\frac{2MC_{1}T^{2}}{a}\right) \sum_{n=1}^{n} \|\delta_{h}^{2M}z^{m+a}\|_{h}^{2} \Delta t \\ + \left(\frac{C_{3}T}{2a} + \frac{2MC_{1}T^{2}\varepsilon}{a}\right) \sum_{m=1}^{n} \|\delta_{h}^{M}z^{m+a}\|_{h}^{2} \Delta t + C_{5}. \end{split}$$

Taking ε so small that $\varepsilon\left(\frac{2MC_1T^2}{a}\right) \leqslant \frac{a}{4}$, thus

$$\|\delta_{h}^{M}z^{n+1}\|_{h}^{2} + \frac{a}{4}\sum_{m=1}^{n}\|\delta_{h}^{2M}z^{m+\alpha}\|_{h}^{2}\Delta t \leq C_{6}\sum_{m=1}^{n+1}\|\delta_{h}^{M}z^{m}\|_{h}^{2} + C_{7}.$$
(16)

Denote $W_{n+1} = \sum_{m=1}^{n+1} || \delta_h^M z^m ||_h^2 \Delta t$. So

$$\frac{W_{n+1}-W_n}{\Lambda t} \leq C_6 W_{n+1} + C_7$$

This follows that $\{W_n\}$ is bounded, i. e., $\sum_{m=1}^n \|\delta_h^M z^m\|_h^2 \Delta t$ is bounded for $n \Delta t \leq T$. Then from (16) we have the boundedness of the sequences $\{\|\delta_h^M z^n\|_h^2\}$ and $\{\sum_{m=1}^n \|\delta_h^{2M} z^{m+a}\|_h^2 \Delta t\}$ for $n \Delta t \leq T$.

LEMMA 5 Under the conditions (I), (II) and (III), for sufficient small Δt ,

the solution $v_j^n(j=0,1,\dots,J;\ n=0,1,\dots,N)$ for the finite difference system (1)_k, (2)_k and (3)_k has the estimation relations, for any $n\Delta t \leq T$,

$$\|\boldsymbol{\delta}_{h}^{k}\boldsymbol{z}^{n}\|_{k} \leq K_{5}, \qquad k = 0, 1, \dots, M$$
 (17)

and

$$\sum_{m=1}^{n} \| \delta_{h}^{h} z^{m+\alpha} \|_{h}^{2} \Delta t \leq K_{6} \qquad k = 0, 1, \dots, 2M$$
 (18)

where $\frac{1}{2} \leqslant a \leqslant 1$, $z_j^{n+1} = \frac{v_j^{n+1} - v_j^n}{\Delta t}$ $(j = 0, 1, \dots, J; n = 1, 2, \dots, N-1)$ and K_5 and K_6 are independent of h and Δt .

COROLLARY Under the conditions of Lemma 5, there are

$$\|\delta_h^k v^n\|_h \leqslant K_7, \qquad k = 0, 1, \dots, M \tag{19}$$

$$\|\partial_{\alpha}^{k}v^{n+\alpha}\|_{k} \leqslant K_{s}, \qquad k = 0, 1, \dots, 2M, \tag{20}$$

where $\frac{1}{2} \leqslant \alpha \leqslant 1$, $n\Delta t \leqslant T$ and K_7 and K_8 are independent of h and Δt .

From the finite difference system (1), we obtain directly the following lemma.

LEMMA 6 Under the conditions of Lemma 5, there is

$$\sum_{n=1}^{m} \left\| \frac{v^{n+1} - 2v^{n} + v^{n-1}}{\Delta t^{2}} \right\|_{h}^{2} \Delta t \leq K_{9}, \tag{21}$$

where $(m+1)\Delta t \leq T$ and K_9 is independent of h and Δt .

Using the Lemma 1 over and over again on the above estimations: we have the following lemma.

LEMMA 7 Under the conditions of Lemma 5, there are the estimation relations:

$$\max_{j=0,1,\cdots,J-k} |\Delta_{+}^{k} v_{j}^{n+1}| \leq K_{10} h^{k} \qquad (k=0,1,\cdots,M-1);$$
 (22)

$$\max_{j=0,1,\cdots,J-M} |\Delta_{+}^{M} v_{j}^{n+1}| \leq K_{11} h^{M-\frac{1}{2}} ;$$
 (23)

$$\max_{j=0,1,\cdots,J-k} |\Delta_{+}^{k} v_{j}^{n+n}| \leq K_{12} h^{k} \qquad (k=0,1,\cdots,2M-1);$$
 (24)

$$\max_{j=0,1,\cdots,|J|=2M} |\Delta_{+}^{2M} v_{j}^{n+\alpha}| \leq K_{13} h^{2M-\frac{1}{2}},$$
 (25)

where K 's are independent of $(n=0,1,\dots,N-1)$, h and Δt_i

$$\max_{n=0,1,\cdots,N-1} \left| \Delta_{+}^{k} (v_{j}^{n+1} - v_{j}^{n}) \right| \leq K_{14} h^{k} \Delta t \qquad (k = 0, 1, \cdots, M-1);$$
 (26)

$$\max_{n=0,1,\cdots,N-1} \left[\Delta_{+}^{M}(v_{j}^{n+1}-v_{j}^{n}) \right] \leqslant K_{15} h^{M-\frac{1}{2}} \Delta t; \tag{27}$$

$$\max_{n=0,1,\dots,N-1} \left| \Delta_{+}^{k} \left(v_{j}^{n+\alpha} - v_{j}^{n-1+\alpha} \right) \right| K_{16} h^{k} \Delta t^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad (k=0,1,\dots,2M-1);$$
 (28)

$$\max_{n=0,1,\cdots,N-1} \left| \Delta_{+}^{k} \left(v_{j}^{n+1} - 2v_{j}^{n} + v_{j}^{n-1} \right) \right| \leq K_{17} h^{k} \Delta t^{\frac{2}{3} - \frac{k+\frac{1}{2}}{2M}}, \quad (k = 0, 1, \cdots, M-1), (29)$$

where K's are independent of $i (= 0, 1, \dots, J - k)$, h and Δt .

Finally, using the estimation relations in Lemmas 5, 6 and 7, we can prove the following convergence theorem of the finite difference scheme $(1)_k$, $(2)_k$ and $(3)_k$.

THEOREM Suppose that the conditions (I), (II), (II) and (IV) are satisfied. Then the m-dimensional vector valued discrete function v_i^n $(j=0,1,\dots,J;\ n=0,1,\dots,N)$ of the finite difference system (1)_h, (2)_h anh (3)_h converges to a limit $u(x,t)\in Z$ as $h^2+\Delta t^2\to 0$. And u(x,t) satisfies the nonlinear pseudo-hyperbolic system (1) in generalized sense and satisfies the boundary conditions (2) and the initial condition (3) in classical sense.

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