

Solving Nonlinear Stochastic Diffusion Models with Nonlinear Losses Using the Homotopy Analysis Method

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ABSTRACT

This paper deals with the construction of approximate series solutions of diffusion models with stochastic excitation and nonlinear losses using the homotopy analysis method (HAM). The mean, variance and other statistical properties of the stochastic solution are computed. The solution technique was applied successfully to the 1D and 2D diffusion models. The scheme shows importance of choice of convergence-control parameter \hbar to guarantee the convergence of the solutions of nonlinear differential Equations. The results are compared with the Wiener-Hermite expansion with perturbation (WHEP) technique and good agreements are obtained.

KEYWORDS

HAM Technique; WHEP Technique; Stochastic PDEs; Diffusion Models

1. Introduction

The deterministic differential equations of the form $\dot{x}(t) = a(t)x(t)$ constitute the basic form of so-called diffusion or transport problems which appear in relevant models such as: the growth population geometric (or Malthusian) model in biology, where a(t) represents the per capita growth rate; the neutron and gamma ray transport model in physics, where coefficient a(t) involves the geometry of the cross-sections of the medium; the continuous composed interest rate models for studying the evolution of an investment under time-variable interest rate r(t) which can be taken as a(t) = 1 + r(t), etc. Despite the usefulness of these basic models, they do not often cover all possible situations observed from a practical point of view. In fact, as a simple but illustrative example, if a(t) = a > 0, the Malthus model predicts unlimited growth of a species despite the fact that resources are always limited. Then, the logistic (or Verhulst) model introduces a nonlinear term in order to overcome this drawback by considering the differential equation $\dot{x}(t) = a(t)x(t) - bx(t)^2$, a, b > 0, where the nonlinearity intensity is given by parameter b. In many practical situations it is appropriate to assume that the nonlinear term affecting the phenomena under study is small enough; then its intensity is controlled by means of a frank small parameter, say ε . Stochastic differential equations based on the white noise process provide a powerful tool for dynamically modeling these complex and uncertain aspects. Over the last few years, new and relevant methods for finding the exact solutions of such Equations have been developed. They include the homotopy perturbation (HPM) method [1,2], Wiener-Hermite expansion with perturbation method (WHEP Cortes [2011]) [3] and the exp-function method [4,5].

HAM is an analytical technique for solving non linear differential equations. Proposed by Liao in 1992, [6], the technique is superior to the traditional perturbation methods, in which it leads to convergent series solutions of strongly nonlinear problems, independent of any small or large physical parameter associated with the prob-

lem, [7]. The HAM provides a more viable alternative to non perturbation techniques such as the Adomian decomposition method (ADM) [8] and other techniques that cannot guarantee the convergence of the solution series and may be only valid for weakly nonlinear problems, [7]. We note here that He's HPM method, [9] is only a special case of the HAM. In recent years, this method has been successfully employed to solve many problems in science and engineering such as the viscous flows of non-Newtonian fluids [10,11], the KdV-type equations [12], Glauert-jet problem [13], Burgers-Huxley equation [14], time-dependent Emden-Fowler type equations [15], differential-difference equation [16], two-point nonlinear boundary value problems [17]. The HAM provides the solution in the form of a rapidly convergent series with easily computable components using symbolic computation software such as Mathematica.

This paper deals with the solution of 1D stochastic differential models of the form

$$\dot{x}(t) = a(t)x(t) - \varepsilon x^{2}(t) + \lambda n(t;\omega), \quad t > 0,$$

$$x(0) = x_{0}$$
 (1)

where the diffusion coefficient a(t) and initial condition x_0 are deterministic, ε is a small parameter and $n(t;\omega)$ is the white noise process, whose intensity is given by parameter λ , which has the following important properties:

$$E[n(t;\omega)] = 0$$

$$E[n(t_1;\omega)n(t_2;\omega)] = \delta(t_1 - t_2)$$

where E denotes the ensemble average operator, δ is the Dirac delta function. And ω is a random outcome for a triple probability space (Ω, A, p) , where Ω is a sample space, A is a σ -algebra associated with Ω and P is a probability measure. The current work also deals with the solution of 2D stochastic quadratic nonlinear equation with $\sigma n(x; \omega)$ as non-homogeneity.

$$\frac{\partial u(t, x; \omega)}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} - \varepsilon u^2 + \sigma n(x; \omega)$$

$$(t, x) \in (0, \infty) \times (0, l),$$

$$u(t, 0) = 0, u(t, l) = 0 \text{ and } u(0, x) = \phi(x).$$
(2)

where $u(t,x;\omega)$ is the diffusion process, ε is a deterministic scale for the nonlinear term. The non-homogeneity term $\sigma n(x;\omega)$ is spatial white noise scaled by σ .

The paper is organized as follows. Section 2 summarizes the basic idea of the HAM method. In Section 3, the HAM is applied in order to obtain fourth order approximation of the solution of 1D diffusion model. In Section 4, the HAM is applied up to the third order approximation for the solution of 2D diffusion model. In addition, we compute approximations for the main statistical moments such as the mean and variance. A comparison is done with the results obtained with the (WHEP Cortes [2011], WHEP El-Beltagy [2013]) technique [4,5]. The results are shown in Section 5 along with comments on the results.

2. The Basic Idea of HAM

A presentation of the standard HAM for deterministic problems can be found in [9]. The following subsection is a brief description of HAM. Consider the following differential equation:

$$N \lceil u(t,x) \rceil = 0 \tag{3}$$

where N is a nonlinear operator and u(t,x) is the unknown function. By means of generalizing the traditional HPM method, Liao [6] constructs the so-called zero-order deformation equation

$$(1-q)L[\phi(t,x;q)-u_0(t,x)] = q\hbar H(t,x)N[\phi(t,x;q)], \tag{4}$$

where $q \in [0,1]$ denotes the so-called embedding parameter, $\hbar \neq 0$ is an auxiliary parameter and L is an auxiliary linear operator.

The HAM is based on a kind of continuous mapping $u(t,x) \rightarrow \phi(t,x;q)$, where $\phi(t,x;q)$ is an unknown

function, $u_0(t,x)$ is an initial guess for u(t,x), and H(t,x) denotes a non-zero auxiliary function. It is obvious that when the embedding parameter q=0 and q=1, Equation (3) becomes

$$\phi(t,x;0) = u_0(t,x), \ \phi(t,x;1) = u(t,x),$$
 (5)

respectively. Thus as q increases from 0 to 1, the solution $\phi(t,x;q)$ varies from the initial guess $u_0(t,x)$ to the solution u(t,x). In topology, this kind of variation is called deformation; Equation (3) constructs the homotopy $\phi(t,x;q)$.

Having the freedom to choose the auxiliary parameter \hbar , the auxiliary function H(t,x), the initial approximation $u_0(t,x)$, and the auxiliary linear operator L, we can assume that all of them are properly chosen so that the solution $\phi(t,x;q)$ of the zero-order deformation Equation (4) exists for $0 \le q \le 1$.

Expanding $\phi(t, x; q)$ in Taylor series with respect to q, one has,

$$\phi(t, x; q) = u_0(t, x) + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} u_m(t, x) q^m,$$
(6)

where

$$u_{m}(t,x) = \frac{1}{m!} \frac{\partial^{m} \phi(t,x;q)}{\partial q^{m}} \bigg|_{a=0}$$
(7)

Assume that the auxiliary parameter \hbar , the auxiliary function H(t,x), the initial approximation $u_0(t,x)$ and the auxiliary linear operator L are so properly chosen that the series (6) converges at q=1 and

$$\phi(t,x;1) = u_0(t,x) + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} u_m(t,x),$$
 (8)

which must be one of the solutions of the original nonlinear Equation, as proved by Liao [9]. As $\hbar = -1$, and H(t,x) = 1, Equation (4) becomes

$$(1-q)L\lceil\phi(t,x;q)-u_0(t,x)\rceil+qN\lceil\phi(t,x;q)\rceil=0,$$
(9)

This is mostly used in the HPM method. According to definition (8), the governing equation and the corresponding initial condition of $u_m(t,x)$ can be deduced from the zero-order deformation Equation (4). Define the vector

$$\mathbf{u}_{n}(t,x) = \{u_{0}(t,x), u_{1}(t,x), u_{2}(t,x), \dots, u_{n}(t,x)\}.$$

Differentiating Equation (4) m times with respect to the embedding parameter q and then setting q = 0 and finally dividing them by m!, we have the so-called m^{th} -order deformation equation:

$$L \left\lceil u_m(t,x) - \chi_m u_{m-1}(t,x) \right\rceil = \hbar H(t,x) R(u_{m-1}); \ m \ge 1$$

$$\tag{10}$$

where

$$R(u_{m-1}) = \frac{1}{(m-1)!} \frac{\partial^{m-1} N[\phi(t,x;q)]}{\partial q^{m-1}}\bigg|_{q=0},$$

and

$$\chi_m = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{when } m \le 1\\ 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
 (11)

The solution is computed as:

$$u(t,x) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} u_i(t,x).$$

It should be emphasized that $u_m(t,x)$ for $m \ge 1$ is governed by the linear Equation (10) with linear boundary conditions that come from the deterministic problem, which can be solved by any symbolic computation

software such as Mathematica, Maple, or Matlab.

3. Application to the 1D Diffusion Model

To demonstrate the above presented method it will be used to find the mean and variance of 1D stochastic diffusion problem as follows.

The auxiliary linear operator will be chosen as

$$L[\phi(t;q)] = \frac{\mathrm{d}\phi(t;q)}{\mathrm{d}t}$$

Furthermore, we define the nonlinear operator as

$$N[\phi(t;q)] = \frac{\mathrm{d}\phi(t;q)}{\mathrm{d}t} - a(t)\phi(t;q) + \varepsilon(\phi(t;q))^{2} + \lambda n(t);$$

We construct the zero-order deformation equation,

$$(1-q)L\lceil X_m(t)-\chi_m X_{m-1}(t)\rceil = q\hbar H(t)R(X_{m-1}).$$

The m^{th} -order deformation equation for $m \ge 1$ and H(t) = 1 is

$$L\left[X_{m}(t) - \chi_{m}X_{m-1}(t)\right] = \hbar R\left(X_{m-1}\right),\tag{12}$$

Subject to the initial condition

$$X_m(0) = 0$$

where

$$R(\boldsymbol{X}_{m-1}) = \frac{\mathrm{d}X_{m-1}(t)}{\mathrm{d}t} - a(t)X(t) + \varepsilon \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} X_{m-1-i}(t)X_i(t) - (1-\chi_m)\lambda n(t);$$

Now the solution of the m^{th} -order deformation Equation (12) for $m \ge 1$ becomes

$$L[X_{m}(t) - \chi_{m}X_{m-1}(t)] = \hbar \left[\frac{dX_{m-1}(t,x)}{dt} - a(t)X(t) + \varepsilon \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} X_{m-1-i}(t)X_{i}(t) - (1-\chi_{m})\lambda n(t) \right]$$

The first order approximation is obtained by setting m = 1 in (12) as follows

$$L[X_1(t)] = \hbar R(X_0)$$

where

$$R(X_0) = \frac{dX_0(t)}{dt} - a(t)X(t) + \varepsilon X_0^2 - \lambda n(t)$$

Then

$$L[X_1(t)] = \hbar \left[\frac{\mathrm{d}X_0(t)}{\mathrm{d}t} - a(t)X_0(t) + \varepsilon X_0^2(t) - \lambda n(t) \right],$$

$$X_1(t) = \hbar \int_0^t \left[\frac{\mathrm{d}X_0(t)}{\mathrm{d}t} - a(t)X_0(t) + \varepsilon X_0^2(t) - \lambda n(t) \right] \mathrm{d}t,$$

The ensemble average of the first order approximation is

$$E\left[X_{1}(t)\right] = \hbar \int_{0}^{t} \left[\frac{\mathrm{d}E\left[X_{0}(t)\right]}{\mathrm{d}t} - a(t)E\left[X_{0}(t)\right] + \varepsilon E\left[X_{0}^{2}(t)\right]\right] \mathrm{d}t,$$

$$E\left[X_{1}(t)\right] = -0.2475\hbar t$$

The covariance of the first order solution will be

$$\begin{aligned}
\operatorname{Cov} \Big[X_{1}(t_{1}), X_{1}(t_{2}) \Big] &= E \Big[\Big(X_{1}(t_{1}) - EX_{1}(t_{1}) \Big) \Big(X_{1}(t_{2}) - EX_{1}(t_{2}) \Big) \Big] \\
&= E \Big[\Big(-\hbar \lambda \int_{0}^{t_{1}} n(t_{1}) dt_{1} \Big) \Big(-\hbar \lambda \int_{0}^{t_{2}} n(t_{2}) dt_{2} \Big) \Big] = \hbar^{2} \lambda^{2} \int_{0}^{t_{2}} \int_{0}^{t_{1}} E \Big[n(t_{1}) \cdot n(t_{2}) \Big] dt_{1} dt_{2} \\
&= \hbar^{2} \lambda^{2} \int_{0}^{t_{2}} \int_{0}^{t_{1}} \delta(t_{1} - t_{2}) dt_{1} dt_{2} \quad = \hbar^{2} \lambda^{2} \int_{0}^{t_{1}} dt_{1} = \hbar^{2} \lambda^{2} t_{1}
\end{aligned}$$

The variance of the first order solution will be

$$\operatorname{Var}\left[X_{1}(t)\right] = E\left[X_{1}(t) - EX_{1}(t)\right]^{2} = E\left[-\hbar\lambda\int_{0}^{t} n(t) dt\right]^{2} = \hbar^{2}\lambda^{2}t$$

In this manner, we can have more results of $E[X_m(t)]$ and $Var[X_m(t)]$ obtained at $m = 2, 3, 4, \cdots$ The final expression of the mean of the 4th order solution will be

$$E[X(t)] = E\left[\sum_{i=0}^{M-4} X_i(t)\right] = 0.5 - 0.99\hbar t + \hbar^2 \left(-1.4849 + 0.3638t\right)t + \hbar^3 t \left(-0.99 + 0.4951t - 0.0394123125t^2\right) + \hbar^4 t \left(-0.2475 + 0.1869t - 0.0298t^2 + 0.0012t^3\right)$$

Since
$$X(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} X_i(t)$$

Then the final expression of the variance of the 2nd order solution will be

$$\operatorname{Var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{N} X_{i}(t)\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \operatorname{Var}\left[X_{i}(t)\right] + \left(\sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j\neq i}^{N} \operatorname{Cov}\left[X_{i}(t), X_{j}(t)\right]\right) \operatorname{Var}\left[X(t)\right]$$

$$= \operatorname{Var}\left[X_{1}(t)\right] + \operatorname{Var}\left[X_{2}(t)\right] + 2\operatorname{Cov}\left[X_{1}(t_{1}), X_{2}(t_{2})\right] \operatorname{Var}\left[X(t)\right]$$

$$= h^{2}t \left(4. + h\left(4. -1.7149t\right) + h^{2}\left(1. -0.735t + 0.12t^{2}\right)\right)$$

4. Application to the 2D Diffusion Model

HAM will be used to find mean and variance of stochastic quadratic nonlinear diffusion problem as follows. The auxiliary linear operator is chosen as

$$L[\phi(t,x;q)] = \frac{\partial \phi(t,x;q)}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial^2 \phi(t,x;q)}{\partial x^2}$$

We have many choices in guessing the initial approximation together with its initial conditions which greatly affects the consequent approximation. The choice u_0 is a design problem which can be taken as follows:

$$u_0(t,x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_n e^{\beta_n t} \sin \frac{n\pi}{\ell} x$$

$$B_n = \frac{2}{\ell} \int_0^{\ell} \phi(x) \sin \frac{n\pi}{\ell} x dx$$
(13)

One can notice that the selected value function satisfies the initial and boundary conditions and it depends on the parameter β_n which is totally free. One can also notice that β_n selection could control the solution convergence. Furthermore, we define the nonlinear operator as

$$N\left[\phi(t,x;q)\right] = \frac{\partial\phi(t,x;q)}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial^{2}\phi(t,x;q)}{\partial x^{2}} + \varepsilon\left[\phi(t,x;q)\right]^{2} - \sigma n(x;\omega)$$

We construct the zero-order deformation Equation,

$$(1-q)L\left[u_m(t,x)-\chi_m u_{m-1}(t,x)\right]=q\hbar H(t,x)R(u_{m-1}).$$

The m^{th} -order deformation Equation for $m \ge 1$ and H(t,x) = 1 is

$$L\left[u_{m}\left(t,x\right)-\chi_{m}u_{m-1}\left(t,x\right)\right]=\hbar R\left(\mathbf{u}_{m-1}\right),$$

And subject to the boundary conditions

$$u_m(t,0) = 0, u_m(t,l) = 0$$

And the initial condition

$$u_m(0,x)=0,$$

where

$$R\left(\boldsymbol{u}_{m-1}\right) = \frac{\partial u_{m-1}\left(t,x\right)}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial^{2} u_{m-1}\left(t,x\right)}{\partial x^{2}} + \varepsilon \left[\sum_{i=0}^{m-1} u_{m-1-i}\left(t,x\right)u_{i}\left(t,x\right)\right] - \left(1 - \chi_{m}\right)\sigma n\left(x;\omega\right).$$

Now the m^{th} -order deformation equation for $m \ge 1$ becomes

$$L\left[u_{m}(t,x)-\chi_{m}u_{m-1}(t,x)\right]=\hbar\left[\frac{\partial u_{m-1}(t,x)}{\partial t}-\frac{\partial^{2}u_{m-1}(t,x)}{\partial x^{2}}\right]+\hbar\varepsilon\sum_{i=0}^{m-1}u_{m-1-i}(t,x)u_{i}(t,x)-\hbar(1-\chi_{m})\sigma n(x;\omega).$$

The first order approximation is obtained by substituting m = 1 to get

$$L\left[u_{1}\left(t,x\right)\right] = \hbar \left[\frac{\partial u_{0}\left(t,x\right)}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial^{2} u_{0}\left(t,x\right)}{\partial x^{2}} + \varepsilon u_{0}^{2} - \sigma n\left(x;\omega\right)\right]. \tag{14}$$

The approximated first order solution of (14) can be obtained using Eigen function expansion as follows,

$$u_1(t,x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} I_{n,1}(t) \sin \frac{n\pi}{\ell} x$$

where

$$I_{n,1}(t) = \int_{0}^{t} e^{\left(\frac{-n\pi}{\ell}\right)^{2}(t-\tau)} F_{n,1}(\tau) d\tau$$

$$F_{n,1}(t) = \frac{2\hbar}{\ell} \int_{0}^{\ell} \left[\frac{\partial u_0(t,x)}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial^2 u_0(t,x)}{\partial x^2} + \varepsilon u_0^2 - \sigma n(x;\omega) \right] \sin \frac{n\pi}{\ell} x dx,$$

the ensemble average of the first order approximation is

$$\mu \left[u_1(t,x) \right] = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} E\left(I_{n,1}(t) \right) \sin \frac{n\pi}{\ell} x$$

where

$$E(I_{n,1}(t)) = \int_{0}^{t} e^{\left(\frac{-n\pi}{\ell}\right)^{2}(t-\tau)} E(F_{n,1}(\tau)) d\tau$$

$$E(F_{n,1}(t)) = \frac{2\hbar}{\ell} \int_{0}^{L} \left[\frac{\partial u_{0}(t,x)}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial^{2} u_{0}(t,x)}{\partial x^{2}} + \varepsilon u_{0}^{2} \right] \sin \frac{n\pi}{\ell} x dx \mu \left[u_{1}(t,x) \right]$$

$$= \frac{e^{-\pi^{2} t} h \left(3 \left(-1 + e^{t \left(\pi^{2} + \beta n \right)} \right) \pi \left(\pi^{2} + 2\beta n \right) - 8\varepsilon + 8e^{t \left(\pi^{2} + 2\beta n \right)} \varepsilon \right) \sin \left[\pi x \right]}{3 \left(\pi^{3} + 2\pi \beta n \right)}.$$

The covariance of the first order solution can be computed as

$$\begin{aligned}
\operatorname{Cov}\left[u_{1}(t, x_{1}), u_{1}(t, x_{2})\right] &= E\left[\left(u_{1}(t, x_{1}) - Eu_{1}(t, x_{1})\right)\left(u_{1}(t, x_{2}) - Eu_{1}(t, x_{2})\right)\right] \\
&= E\left[\left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(I_{n, 1}(t) - EI_{n, 1}(t)\right)\sin\frac{n\pi}{\ell}x_{1}\right)\left(\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left(I_{m, 1}(t) - EI_{m, 1}(t)\right)\sin\frac{m\pi}{\ell}x_{2}\right)\right].
\end{aligned}$$

The covariance is obtained from the following final expression

$$\begin{aligned} &\operatorname{Cov}\left(u_{1}\left(t,x_{1}\right),u_{1}\left(t,x_{2}\right)\right) \\ &= \frac{4\hbar^{2}\sigma^{2}}{\ell^{2}}\sum_{n=1}^{\infty}\sum_{m=1}^{\infty}\sin\frac{n\pi}{\ell}x_{1}\sin\frac{m\pi}{\ell}x_{2}\left(\int_{0}^{\ell}\sin\frac{n\pi}{\ell}x\sin\frac{m\pi}{\ell}xdx\right)\left(\int_{0}^{t}\int_{0}^{t}e^{\left(\frac{-n\pi}{\ell}\right)^{2}\left(t-\tau_{1}\right)}e^{\left(\frac{-m\pi}{\ell}\right)^{2}\left(t-\tau_{2}\right)}d\tau_{1}d\tau_{2}\right) \\ &\operatorname{Cov}\left(u_{1}\left(t,x_{1}\right),u_{1}\left(t,x_{2}\right)\right) = \frac{2\left(1-e^{-\pi^{2}t}\right)^{2}h^{2}\sin\left[\pi x1\right]\sin\left[\pi x2\right]}{\pi^{4}}.\end{aligned}$$

The variance of the first order solution will be computed as

$$\operatorname{Var}\left[u_{1}(t,x)\right] = E\left[u_{1}(t,x) - Eu_{1}(t,x)\right]^{2} = E\left[\left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty}\left(I_{n,1}(t) - EI_{n,1}(t)\right)\sin\frac{n\pi}{\ell}x\right)\right]^{2}.$$
(15)

To give

$$\operatorname{Var}\left[u_{1}\left(t,x\right)\right] = \frac{4\hbar^{2}\sigma^{2}}{\ell^{2}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sin\frac{n\pi}{\ell} x \sin\frac{m\pi}{\ell} x \left(\int_{0}^{\ell} \sin\frac{n\pi}{\ell} x \sin\frac{m\pi}{\ell} x dx\right) \left(\int_{0}^{t} \int_{0}^{t} e^{\left(\frac{-n\pi}{\ell}\right)^{2}\left(t-\tau_{1}\right)} e^{\left(\frac{-m\pi}{\ell}\right)^{2}\left(t-\tau_{2}\right)} d\tau_{1} d\tau_{2}\right)$$

$$= \frac{2\left(1-e^{-\pi^{2}t}\right)^{2} h^{2} \sin\left[\pi x\right]^{2}}{\pi^{4}}.$$

In this manner, we can have more results of $E[u_m(t,x)]$ and $Var[u_m(t,x)]$ obtained at $m=2,3,4,\cdots$ The final expression of mean of the 3rd order solution will be

$$\begin{split} E\Big[u(t,x)\Big] &= E\Big[\sum_{m=0}^{M} u_m(t,x)\Big] \\ E\Big[u(t,x)\Big] &= u_0(t,x) + E\Big[u_1(t,x)\Big] + E\Big[u_2(t,x)\Big] + E\Big[u_3(t,x)\Big] \\ E\Big[u(t,x)\Big] &= \frac{1}{9}(9e^{t\beta n} + \frac{6e^{-\pi^2 t}h\Big(3\Big(-1 + e^{t(\pi^2 + \beta n)}\Big)\pi\Big(\pi^2 + 2\beta n\Big) - 8\varepsilon + 8e^{t(\pi^2 + 2\beta n)}\varepsilon\Big)}{\pi^3 + 2\pi\beta n} \\ &+ \Big(e^{-\pi^2 t}h^2\Big(-128\beta n\varepsilon^2 - \Big(\pi^2 + 3\beta n\Big)\Big(9\pi^2\beta n\Big(\pi^2 + 2\beta n\Big) + 72\pi\beta n\varepsilon \\ &- 16\varepsilon\Big(3\pi^3 + 6\pi\beta n + 8\varepsilon\Big)\Big) + e^{t\beta n}\Big(128e^{t(\pi^2 + 2\beta n)}\beta n\varepsilon^2 + \Big(\pi^2 + 3\beta n\Big) \\ \Big(9e^{\pi^2 t}\pi^2\beta n\Big(\pi^2 + 2\beta n\Big) + 72e^{t(\pi^2 + \beta n)}\pi\beta n\varepsilon - 16\varepsilon\Big(3\pi^3 + 6\pi\beta n + 8\varepsilon\Big)\Big)\Big)\Big)\Big)\Big) \\ &\Big/\Big(\pi^2\beta n\Big(\pi^2 + 2\beta n\Big)\Big(\pi^2 + 3\beta n\Big)\Big)\sin[\pi x\Big]. \end{split}$$

Since $u(t,x) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} u_i(t,x)$.

Then the final expression of the variance of the 2nd order solution will be

$$\operatorname{Var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{N} u_{i}(t,x)\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \operatorname{Var}\left[u_{i}(t,x)\right] + \left(\sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j\neq i}^{N} \operatorname{Cov}\left[u_{i}(t,x), u_{j}(t,x)\right]\right)$$

$$\operatorname{Var}\left[u(t,x)\right] = \operatorname{Var}\left[u_{1}(t,x)\right] + \operatorname{Var}\left[u_{2}(t,x)\right] + 2\operatorname{Cov}\left[u_{1}(t,x), u_{2}(t,x)\right]$$

$$\operatorname{Var}\left[u(t,x)\right] = h^{2}t\left(4. + h\left(4. - 1.7149t\right) + h^{2}\left(1. - 0.735t + 0.12t^{2}\right)\right)$$

$$\operatorname{Var}\left[u(t,x)\right] = \frac{1}{\pi^{8}} 4h^{2} \sin\left[\pi x\right]^{2} \left(3\left(-1 + e^{-\pi^{2}t}\right)^{2} \pi^{4}\right)$$

$$-1/\left(\pi^{2} + \beta n\right) 2e^{-2\pi^{2}t} \pi^{3}\left(2\left(-1 + e^{\pi^{2}t}\right)^{2} \pi^{2} + 2\left(-1 + e^{\pi^{2}t}\right)^{2} \beta n\right)$$

$$+\left(-1 + e^{\pi^{2}t}\right)\left(-1 + e^{t(\pi^{2} + \beta n)}\right)\pi\varepsilon - \left(-1 + e^{t(\pi^{2} + \beta n)}\right)\pi^{3}t\varepsilon\right)$$

$$-2e^{-2\pi^{2}t} \left(\pi\left(-4\left(-1 + e^{\pi^{2}t}\right)^{2} h^{2}\pi + \frac{1}{\beta n\left(\pi^{2} + \beta n\right)}\left(1 - e^{\pi^{2}t} + \pi^{2}t\right)\right)$$

$$\left(\left(-1 + e^{t\beta n}\right)\pi^{4} + e^{t\beta n}\left(-1 + e^{\pi^{2}t}\right)\beta n^{2}\right)\varepsilon\right) - \frac{16e^{2t\beta n}h^{2}\left(1 - e^{\pi^{2}t} + \pi^{2}t\right)^{2}\varepsilon^{2}\sin\left[\pi x\right]^{2}}{\pi^{2}}\right)\right].$$

5. Result Analysis

5.1. 1D Diffusion Model Results

Figures 1 and **2** show the plots of the \hbar -curves for the fourth order variance and mean approximations respectively for different values of time t at a(t) = 1/2, $\lambda = 1$, $\varepsilon = 10^{-2}$ and $x_0 = 0.5$ on the time interval [0,2]. According to these \hbar -curves, it is easy to discover that the valid region of \hbar is a horizontal line segments, thus $\hbar = -0.92$ **Figures 3** and **4** show the comparison of the expectation and variance as a function of time using HAM and WHEP which uses the Wiener Hermite expansion and perturbation technique to solve a class of nonlinear partial differential Equations with a perturbed nonlinearity "techniques and good agreement is obtained.

The mean and variance results of the WHEP technique are obtained from [5] as:

$$E[x(t)] = x_0 e^{at} - \varepsilon \frac{\left(e^{at} - 1\right) \left(e^{at} \left(2a(x_0)^2 + \lambda^2\right) - \lambda^2\right)}{2a^2}$$

$$Var[x(t)] = \frac{\lambda^2}{2a} \left(e^{2at} - 1\right) - 2\varepsilon \frac{\lambda^2 x_0}{a^2} \left(e^{at} - 1\right)^2 \left(e^{at} + 1\right) + 2\varepsilon^2 \frac{\lambda^2 (x_0)^2}{a^3} \left(e^{at} - 1\right)^3 \left(e^{at} + 1\right)$$

The effect of ε on the variance is shown in **Figure 5**. The variance is plotted with time for different values of ε . The peak variance decreases in magnitude with the increase of ε . Also, the time of the peak variance decreases with the increase of ε .

5.2. 2D Diffusion Model Results

In the following figures, results of the solution of 2D stochastic quadratic nonlinear diffusion model using HAM technique are shown at $\sigma = 1, \ell = 1, \beta_n = -1$, $n = 1, \varepsilon = 1, \phi(x) = \sin \frac{n\pi}{\ell} x$.

Figure 6 shows the Plot of \hbar -curve of third order approximation of mean for different values of time t and space variable x at $\sigma = 1, \ell = 1, \beta_n = -1, \varepsilon = 1$, $n = 1, \phi(x) = \sin \frac{n\pi}{\ell} x$. **Figure 7** shows the plot of \hbar -curve of

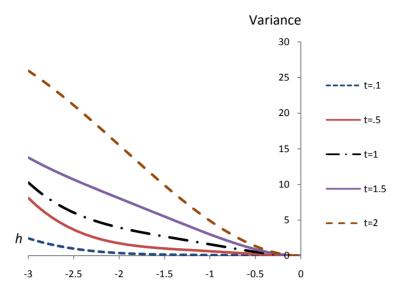


Figure 1. The change of variance of the solution X(t) with parameter \hbar at different t values.

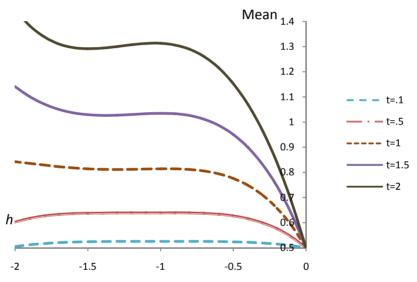


Figure 2. The change of mean of the solution X(t) with parameter \hbar at different t values.

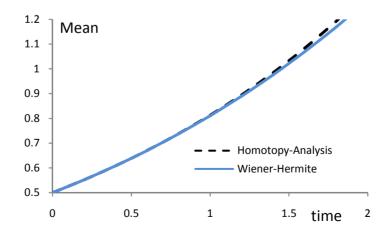


Figure 3. Comparison of the expectation obtained by using HAM at $\hbar = -0.9$ for the 1D problem and WHEP [18].

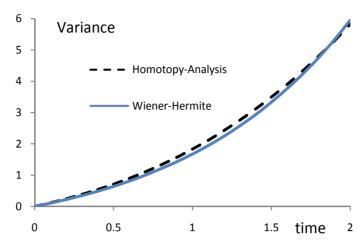


Figure 4. Comparison of and the variance obtained by using HAM method at $\hbar = -0.92$ for the 1D and WHEP [18].

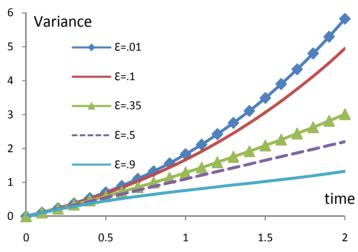


Figure 5. The effect of ε on Var[x(t)].

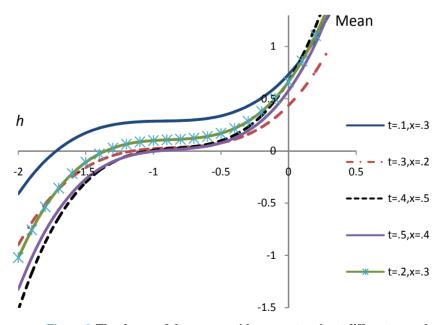


Figure 6. The change of the mean u with parameter \hbar at different t, x values.

third order approximation of mean for different β_n values. According to these \hbar -curves, it is easy to discover that the valid region of \hbar is a horizontal line segments, thus $\hbar = -0.96$. Figures 8 and 9 show the plot of mean and variance with time for different ε values.

Figure 10 shows the comparison between the mean of the first, the second and the third order approximations. **Figure 11** shows the comparison between the variance of the first and second order approximations.

6. Conclusion

This paper shows that the HAM technique constitutes a powerful tool for constructing approximate solutions for the stochastic process for random diffusion models with nonlinear perturbations where uncertainty is considered by means of an additive term defined by white noise. The HAM method is employed to give a statistical analytic solution for stochastic 1D and 2D diffusion models. Different from all other analytic methods, the HAM provides us with a simple way to adjust and control the convergence region of the series solution by means of the auxiliary parameter \hbar . Thus the auxiliary parameter \hbar plays an important role within the frame of the HAM which can be determined by the so called \hbar -curves. The solution obtained by means of the HAM is an infinite power series for appropriate initial approximation, which can be, in turn, expressed in a closed form. The accuracy for the method is verified on 1D diffusion model by comparisons with WHEP technique and good agreements are obtained. As shown in **Figures 1** and **2**, we can see that the valid \hbar region in the 1D example is $-0.9 < \hbar < -1.4$ and in 2D example the interval is $-0.9 < \hbar < -1.1$, as shown in **Figure 6**. The results demonstrate reliability and efficiency of the HAM method. Since HAM was used to solve only deterministic problems, we

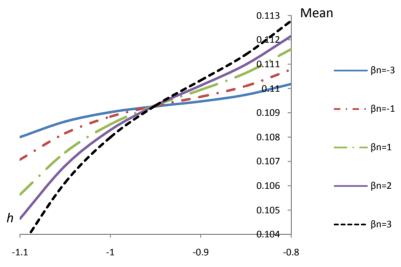


Figure 7. The change of the mean u with parameter \hbar at different β_n values, $\varepsilon = 1$, t = x = 0.1.

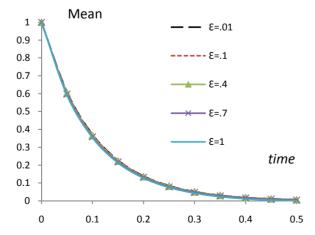


Figure 8. The change of the mean u with time t at different ε values, x = 0.1, $\beta_n = -1$, $\hbar = -0.96$.

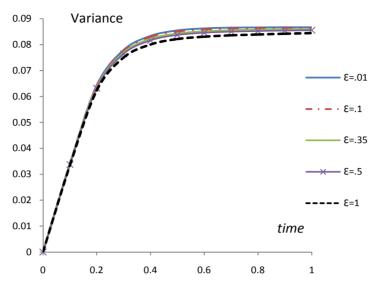


Figure 9. The change of the variance u with time t at different ε values, x = 0.1, $\beta_n = -1$, $\hbar = -0.96$.

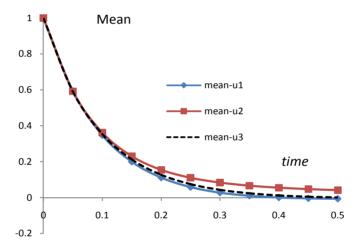


Figure 10. Mean comparison between first u_1 , second u_2 and third order u_3 approximations with time t at, x = 0.1, $\beta_n = -1$, $\hbar = -0.96$.

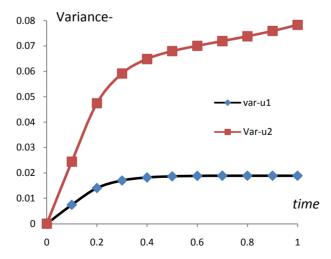


Figure 11. Variance comparison between first and second approximations u_1 , u_2 with time t at, x = 0.1, $\beta_n = -1$, $\hbar = -0.96$.

can say that this is the first time to apply HAM method on stochastic problems and we found that it's easier than WHEP and more general than HPM since HPM is a special case of HAM obtained at $\hbar = -1$ and its results is accurate.

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