



A numerical approach for solving Volterra type functional integral equations with variable bounds and mixed delays



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ABSTRACT

In this paper, the Taylor collocation method has been used the integro functional equation with variable bounds. This method is essentially based on the truncated Taylor series and its matrix representations with collocation points. We have introduced the method to solve the functional integral equations with variable bounds. We have also improved error analysis for this method by using the residual function to estimate the absolute errors. To illustrate the pertinent features of the method numeric examples are presented and results are compared with the other methods. All numerical computations have been performed on the computer algebraic system Maple 15.

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1. Introduction

Integral equations play very significant role linear and nonlinear functional analysis and their applications [1]. They are mostly in connection with functional equations. Functional equations occur with difference, differential and integral forms [2]. (FDE) have been studied in several papers [2–12]. Functional integral equations (FDEs) and their systems have a major importance in modeling many phenomena such as biology, ecology, physics and engineering so they have been studied in several papers [13–18]. An integro functional equation is illustrated by

$$F \left\{ x, \varphi(x), \varphi[f(x)], \int_{x_0}^x K_r(x, t, \varphi(t), \varphi[f(t)]) dt \right\} = 0.$$

FDEs are usually difficult to solve analytically; so there are particular methods that have solved them numerically. Up to now to obtain numerical solutions of the first and second kind of functional integral and integro-differential equations have been used an expansion method based on Chebyshev interpolation [7,8], Lagrange collocation method [16], Chebyshev collocation method [9,10], variational iteration method (VIM) [6] and Legendre collocation method [11].

In this article we want to find truncated Taylor series solution of integro functional equation with variable bounds represented by

$$\sum_{k=0}^{m_1} P_k(x) y(\alpha_k x + \beta_k) = f(x) + \sum_{r=0}^{m_2} \lambda_r \int_{u_r(x)}^{v_r(x)} K_r(x, t) y(\mu_r t + \gamma_r) dt \quad (1)$$

where $P_k(x)$, $f(x)$, $K_r(x, t)$, $u_r(x)$, $v_r(x)$ are continuous functions on the interval $[a, b]$, $a \leq u_r(x) \leq v_r(x) \leq b$ and α_k , β_k , λ_k , μ_k , γ_k are appropriate constants.

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The main purpose of this study is to solve (1) using the Taylor matrix method. Since the beginning of 1994, Taylor, Chebyshev, Legendre, Laguerre, Hermite and Bessel collocation and matrix methods have been used by Sezer et al. [19–28] to solve differential, difference, integral, integro-differential, delay differential equations and their systems. In this article, by modifying and developing matrix and collocation methods studied in [19,24,25], we will find the approximate solutions of the system (1) in the truncated Taylor series form

$$y(x) \cong y_N(x) = \sum_{n=0}^N y_n x^n, \quad y_n = \frac{y^{(n)}(0)}{n!} \tag{2}$$

where y_n , ($n = 0, 1, \dots, N$) are unknown coefficients to be determined.

2. Fundamental relations

To find the approximate solution of (1) in the form of (2) first we convert the solution defined by (2) for $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N$ to the following matrix form:

$$\mathbf{y}(x) = \mathbf{X}(x) \mathbf{Y} \tag{3}$$

where

$$\mathbf{X}(x) = [1 \quad x \quad x^2 \quad \dots \quad x^N], \quad \mathbf{Y} = [y_0 \quad y_1 \quad y_2 \quad \dots \quad y_N]^T.$$

By putting $x \rightarrow \alpha_k x + \beta_k$ in the relation (3) we obtain the matrix form

$$\mathbf{y}(\alpha_k x + \beta_k) \cong \mathbf{y}_N(\alpha_k x + \beta_k) = \mathbf{X}(\alpha_k x + \beta_k) \mathbf{Y}$$

where

$$\mathbf{X}(\alpha_k x + \beta_k) = [(\alpha_k x + \beta_k)^0 \quad (\alpha_k x + \beta_k)^1 \quad (\alpha_k x + \beta_k)^2 \quad \dots \quad (\alpha_k x + \beta_k)^N]_{1 \times (N+1)}.$$

From the binomial expansion of the $(\alpha_k x + \beta_k)^N$, we can write the relation between the matrices $\mathbf{X}(\alpha_k x + \beta_k)$ and $\mathbf{X}(x)$ is

$$\mathbf{X}(\alpha_k x + \beta_k) = \mathbf{X}(x) \mathbf{B}(\alpha_k, \beta_k) \tag{4}$$

where

$$\mathbf{B}(\alpha_k, \beta_k) = \begin{bmatrix} \binom{0}{0} \alpha_k^0 \beta_k^0 & \binom{1}{0} \alpha_k^0 \beta_k^1 & \binom{2}{0} \alpha_k^0 \beta_k^2 & \dots & \binom{N}{0} \alpha_k^0 \beta_k^N \\ 0 & \binom{1}{1} \alpha_k^1 \beta_k^0 & \binom{2}{1} \alpha_k^1 \beta_k^1 & \dots & \binom{N}{1} \alpha_k^1 \beta_k^{N-1} \\ 0 & 0 & \binom{2}{2} \alpha_k^2 \beta_k^0 & \dots & \binom{N}{2} \alpha_k^2 \beta_k^{N-2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \binom{N}{N} \alpha_k^N \beta_k^0 \end{bmatrix}_{(N+1) \times (N+1)}.$$

By substituting the relation (4) into the relation (3), we reach the matrix relation

$$\mathbf{y}(\alpha_k x + \beta_k) \cong \mathbf{y}_N(\alpha_k x + \beta_k) = \mathbf{X}(x) \mathbf{B}(\alpha_k, \beta_k) \mathbf{Y}. \tag{5}$$

Similarly, it is clear that the matrix form of $\mathbf{y}(\mu_r t + \gamma_r)$ is

$$\mathbf{y}(\mu_r t + \gamma_r) \cong \mathbf{y}_N(\mu_r t + \gamma_r) = \mathbf{X}(t) \mathbf{B}(\mu_k, \gamma_k) \mathbf{Y}. \tag{6}$$

Now, we convert the kernel functions $K_r(x, t)$ to the matrix forms, by means of the following procedure.

The function $K_r(x, t)$ can be expressed by the truncated Taylor series as

$$K_r(x, t) = \sum_{p=0}^N \sum_{q=0}^N k_{p,q}^r x^p t^q \tag{7}$$

where

$$k_{p,q}^r = \frac{1}{p!q!} \frac{\partial^{p+q} K_r(0, 0)}{\partial x^p \partial t^q}, \quad p, q = 0, 1, \dots, N, \quad r = 0, 1, \dots, m_2.$$

The expressions (7) can be written in the matrix forms

$$\mathbf{K}_r(x, t) = \mathbf{X}(x) \mathbf{K}_r \mathbf{X}^T(t), \quad \mathbf{K}_r = [k_{p,q}^r], \quad p, q = 0, 1, \dots, N, \quad r = 0, 1, \dots, m_2 \tag{8}$$

where $\mathbf{K}_r = [k_{p,q}^r]$, $p, q = 0, 1, \dots, N$, are the Taylor coefficients matrices of functions $\mathbf{K}_r(x, t)$ at the point $(0, 0)$.

3. Fundamental matrix equation of Eq. (1)

We now ready to construct the fundamental matrix equation for integro functional equation with variable bounds. For this purpose, substituting the matrix relations (5), (6), (8) into Eq. (1) and simplifying, we obtain the matrix equation

$$\sum_{k=0}^{m_1} P_k(x) \mathbf{X}(x) \mathbf{B}(\alpha_k, \beta_k) \mathbf{Y} = f(x) + \sum_{r=0}^{m_2} \lambda_r \int_{u_r(x)}^{v_r(x)} \mathbf{X}(x) \mathbf{K}_r \mathbf{X}^T(t) \mathbf{X}(t) \mathbf{B}(\mu_r, \gamma_r) \mathbf{Y} dt$$

or

$$\left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{m_1} P_k(x) \mathbf{X}(x) \mathbf{B}(\alpha_k, \beta_k) - \sum_{r=0}^{m_2} \lambda_r \mathbf{X}(x) \mathbf{K}_r \int_{u_r(x)}^{v_r(x)} \mathbf{X}^T(t) \mathbf{X}(t) dt \mathbf{B}(\mu_r, \gamma_r) \right\} \mathbf{Y} = f(x).$$

Following the given way for integral part, we have the matrix relation

$$\left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{m_1} P_k(x) \mathbf{X}(x) \mathbf{B}(\alpha_k, \beta_k) - \sum_{r=0}^{m_2} \lambda_r \mathbf{X}(x) \mathbf{K}_r \mathbf{Q}_r(x) \mathbf{B}(\mu_r, \gamma_r) \right\} \mathbf{Y} = f(x) \tag{9}$$

where

$$\mathbf{Q}_r(x) = [q_{mn}^r(x)] = \int_{u_r(x)}^{v_r(x)} \mathbf{X}^T(t) \mathbf{X}(t) dt;$$

$$[q_{mn}^r(x)] = \frac{(v_r(x))^{m+n+1} - (u_r(x)_0)^{m+n+1}}{m+n+1}; \quad m, n = 0, 1, \dots, N.$$

4. Matrix representations based on collocation points

To obtain an approximate solution in the form (2) of the problem (1) we use a matrix method based on the collocation points defined by

$$x_i = a + \frac{b-a}{N} i, \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, N. \tag{10}$$

Now, let us substitute the collocation points (10) into Eq. (1) and thus, we obtain the system

$$\left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{m_1} P_k(x_i) \mathbf{X}(x_i) \mathbf{B}(\alpha_k, \beta_k) - \sum_{r=0}^{m_2} \lambda_r \mathbf{X}(x_i) \mathbf{K}_r \mathbf{Q}_r(x_i) \mathbf{B}(\mu_r, \gamma_r) \right\} \mathbf{Y} = f(x_i); \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, N$$

or the matrix equation

$$\left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{m_1} \mathbf{P}_k \mathbf{X} \mathbf{B}(\alpha_k, \beta_k) - \sum_{r=0}^{m_2} \lambda_r \bar{\mathbf{X}} \bar{\mathbf{K}}_r \bar{\mathbf{Q}}_r \bar{\mathbf{B}}(\mu_r, \gamma_r) \right\} \mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{F} \tag{11}$$

where

$$\mathbf{P}_k = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{P}_k(t_0) & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{P}_k(t_1) & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \mathbf{P}_k(t_N) \end{bmatrix}_{(N+1) \times (N+1)}, \quad \mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}(x_0) \\ \mathbf{X}(x_1) \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{X}(x_N) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_0 & \dots & x_0^N \\ 1 & x_1 & \dots & x_1^N \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_N & \dots & x_N^N \end{bmatrix}_{(N+1) \times (N+1)},$$

$$\bar{\mathbf{X}} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}(x_0) & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{X}(x_1) & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \mathbf{X}(x_N) \end{bmatrix}_{(N+1) \times (N+1)^2}, \quad \bar{\mathbf{K}}_r = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}_r & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{K}_r & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \mathbf{K}_r \end{bmatrix}_{(N+1)^2 \times (N+1)^2},$$

$$\bar{\mathbf{Q}}_r = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Q}_r & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{Q}_r & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \mathbf{Q}_r \end{bmatrix}_{(N+1)^2 \times (N+1)^2}, \quad \bar{\mathbf{B}}(\mu_r, \gamma_r) = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B}(\mu_r, \gamma_r) \\ \mathbf{B}(\mu_r, \gamma_r) \\ \mathbf{B}(\mu_r, \gamma_r) \\ \mathbf{B}(\mu_r, \gamma_r) \end{bmatrix}_{(N+1)^2 \times (N+1)},$$

$$\mathbf{F} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{f}(t_0) \\ \mathbf{f}(t_1) \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{f}(t_N) \end{bmatrix}_{(N+1) \times 1}.$$

Consequently, the fundamental matrix equation of Eq. (11) can be written in the following compact form

$$\mathbf{W}\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{F} \quad (12)$$

where

$$\mathbf{W} = [w_{pq}] = \sum_{k=0}^{m_1} \mathbf{P}_k \mathbf{X} \mathbf{B}(\alpha_k, \beta_k) - \sum_{r=0}^{m_2} \lambda_r \bar{\mathbf{X}} \bar{\mathbf{K}}_r \bar{\mathbf{Q}}_r \bar{\mathbf{B}}(\mu_r, \gamma_r).$$

Thus, the fundamental matrix equation (12) corresponds to a system of $(N + 1)$ algebraic equations with the unknown coefficients. If $\text{rank } \mathbf{W} = \text{rank } [\mathbf{W}; \mathbf{F}] = N + 1$, then we can write

$$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{W}^{-1} \mathbf{F}.$$

Hence, the matrix \mathbf{Y} (and also the coefficients y_0, y_1, \dots, y_N) is uniquely determined.

As a result, by substituting the determined coefficients into Eq. (2), we get the Taylor polynomial solution

$$y_N(x) = \sum_{n=0}^N y_n x^n. \quad (13)$$

5. Checking of the solution

Accuracy of the approximate solutions is checked by substituting the solutions into Eq. (1)

$$E_N(x) = \left| \sum_{k=0}^{m_1} P_k(x) y_N(\alpha_k x + \beta_k) - f(x) - \sum_{r=0}^{m_2} \lambda_r \int_{u_r(x)}^{v_r(x)} K_r(x, t) y_N(\mu_r x + \gamma_r) dt \right|. \quad (14)$$

We expect that $E_N(x) = 0$ on the collocation points. The closer $y(x) \cong y_N(x)$ the closer $E_N(x) \cong 0$. Accuracy of the approximate solutions may not give any information about the absolute errors. To remove this limitation, we can apply the residual correction procedure [29–32] to estimate the absolute errors.

6. Residual correction and error estimation

In this section, we will give an error estimation based on the residual function for Taylor collocation method. Using this procedure it can be estimated the optimal n giving minimal absolute error. For modifying the procedure to Eq. (1), first we get the residual function for Taylor polynomial solution (13) as

$$R_N(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{m_1} P_k(x) y_N(\alpha_k x + \beta_k) - \left(f(x) + \sum_{r=0}^{m_2} \lambda_r \int_{u_r(x)}^{v_r(x)} K_r(x, t) y_N(\mu_r x + \gamma_r) dt \right) \quad (15)$$

where $y_N(x)$ denotes the approximate solution (13). By adding (15) into both sides of Eq. (1), we have

$$\sum_{k=0}^{m_1} P_k(x) e_N(\alpha_k x + \beta_k) - \sum_{r=0}^{m_2} \lambda_r \int_{u_r(x)}^{v_r(x)} K_r(x, t) e_N(\mu_r x + \gamma_r) dt = -R_N \quad (16)$$

where $e_N(x) = y(x) - y_N(x)$.

Let $e_{N,M}$ be the Taylor series solution of (16). If

$$\|e_N - e_{N,M}\| < \varepsilon$$

are sufficiently small, then the absolute error can be estimated by $e_{N,M}$. Hence the optimal M for the absolute errors can be obtained measuring the error functions $e_{N,M}$ for different M values in any norm.

Corollary. If $y_N(x)$ is the Taylor series solution of (1), the $y_{N,M} = y_N + e_{N,M}$ is also approximate solution for (1) and it is defined as corrected Taylor polynomial solution. Error function for this corrected solution is $E_{N,M} = e_N - e_{N,M}$.

7. Numerical experiments

In this section some examples will be given to explain the procedure with details and to demonstrate the effectiveness of the method. In the examples $y_N(x)$ denotes approximate solution of (1) and $y_{N,M}(x)$ denotes corrected Taylor polynomial solution. Also, actual absolute error is shown by $e_N(x) = |y(x) - y_N(x)|$, estimated absolute error is demonstrated by $e_{N,M} = |y_N(x) - y_{N,M}(x)|$ and corrected absolute error is defined by $E_{N,M}(x) = |e_N(x) - e_{N,M}(x)|$. All the computations and graphs are performed by a code written in Maple 15.

Example 1. As the first example we consider the following integro functional equation with variable bounds

$y(x) - y\left(\frac{x}{2} - 1\right) = f(x) + \int_{x-1}^x xy(t) dt$, $0 \leq x, t \leq 1$ where $f(x) = -x^2 + 2x + 1$. By applying the suggested method for $N = 2$ where $m_1 = 1, m_2 = 0, P_0(x) = P_1(x) = 1, \alpha_0 = 1, \beta_0 = 0, \alpha_1 = \frac{1}{2}, \beta_1 = -1, u_0(x) = x - 1, \lambda_0 = 1, v_0(x) = x, K_0(x, t) = x, \mu_0 = 1, \gamma_0 = 0$ the matrix relation form is written as

$$\left\{ \mathbf{P}_0 \mathbf{X}(x) + \mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{X}(x) \mathbf{B} \left(\frac{1}{2}, -1 \right) - \mathbf{X}(x) \mathbf{K}_0 \mathbf{Q}_0(x) \right\} \mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{f}(x),$$

where

$$\mathbf{P}_0 = \mathbf{P}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{X}(x) = [1 \quad x \quad x^2], \quad \mathbf{B} \left(\frac{1}{2}, -1 \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\mathbf{K}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{Q}_0(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{(x-1)^2}{2} & \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{(x-1)^3}{3} & \frac{x^4}{4} - \frac{(x-1)^4}{4} \\ \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{(x-1)^2}{2} & \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{(x-1)^3}{3} & \frac{x^4}{4} - \frac{(x-1)^4}{4} & \frac{x^5}{5} - \frac{(x-1)^5}{5} \\ \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{(x-1)^3}{3} & \frac{x^4}{4} - \frac{(x-1)^4}{4} & \frac{x^5}{5} - \frac{(x-1)^5}{5} & \end{bmatrix}.$$

By substituting the collocation points in the matrix relation we achieve the augmented matrix as follows

$$[\mathbf{W} : \mathbf{F}] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 & : & 1 \\ -0.5 & 1.25 & -0.3541666667 & : & 1.75 \\ -1 & 1 & 0.4166666667 & : & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

If we solve this system the Taylor coefficient matrix is obtained as

$$\mathbf{Y} = [-1 \quad 1 \quad 0]^T.$$

Thus we have the approximate solution for $N = 2$ $y(x) = x - 1$, which is the exact solution of the problem.

Example 2 ([9]). Now we consider the following Fredholm functional integral equation of the second kind

$$y(x) + e^{-x}y(0.8x) + \int_{-1}^1 e^{x-t}y(t)dt = f(x)$$

which has the exact solution $y(x) = e^x$. We apply the presented method to find the approximate solutions by the truncated Taylor series for $N = 5, 8, 10, 14$. For $N = 5$ $y_5(x)$ obtained as

$$y_5(x) = 0.9999840757381849127 + 0.99993948821779852x + 0.4988127325595940402x^2 + 0.1660996405275260147x^3 + 0.04611117051955744947x^4 + 0.0099937988170189x^5.$$

In Table 1 the numerical results of approximate and corrected approximate solutions for $(N, M) = (8, 10), (14, 16)$ are presented. As it is seen from Table 1 when the values of N, M increase the Taylor polynomial solution $y_N(x)$ and the corrected Taylor polynomial solutions $y_{N,M}(x)$ approach the exact solution $y(x)$. The actual absolute errors are compared with the estimated and corrected absolute errors in Table 2. In addition, in Fig. 1 corrected absolute errors are compared with different values of N, M . When Fig. 1 is analyzed it is seen that how much N, M increase the absolute errors get decreased. Finally, in Table 3 the absolute errors obtained from the presented method are compared with the results obtained by the Chebyshev collocation method [9] for different values of N . From these data we can say that the presented method provides a better approximation when compared to Chebyshev collocation method [9].

Table 1

Numerical results of the exact solution and the approximate solutions of Example 2 for $(N, M) = (8, 10), (10, 12)$.

x_i	Exact solution $y(x_i) = e^{x_i}$	Approximate solution for $N = 8$ $y_8(x_i)$	Corrected approximate solution for $y_{8,10}(x_i)$	Approximate solution for $N = 10$ $y_{10}(x_i)$	Corrected approximate solution for $y_{10,12}(x_i)$
Numerical solutions					
-1.0	0.367879441171	0.3678760382	0.367879441285	0.367879404465	0.367879441171
-0.6	0.548811636094	0.5488116259	0.548811636108	0.548811636168	0.548811636094
-0.2	0.818730753077	0.8187307911	0.818730753090	0.818730753505	0.8187307530780
0	1	1.0000000522	1.000000000016	1.000000000600	1.0000000000000
0.2	1.221402758160	1.2214028287	1.221402758182	1.221402758988	1.22140275816023
0.6	1.822118800390	1.8221189639	1.822118800427	1.822118802058	1.8221188003906
1.0	2.718281828459	2.7182878673	2.718281828526	2.718281883986	2.7182818284592

Table 2

Comparison of the absolute errors (actual, estimated, corrected) of Example 2 for $(N, M) = (10, 12), (14, 16)$.

x_i	Actual absolute errors for $N = 10$ $e_{10}(x_i)$	Estimated absolute errors for $N = 10$ and $M = 12$ $e_{10,12}(x_i)$	Corrected absolute errors for $N = 10$ and $M = 12$ $E_{10,12}(x_i)$
-1.0	0.364e-007	0.367e-007	0.147e-012
-0.6	0.542e-009	0.741e-010	0.436e-014
-0.2	0.818e-009	0.427e-009	0.325e-013
0	0.1e-008	0.600e-009	0.476e-013
0.2	0.137e-008	0.828e-009	0.671e-013
0.6	0.247e-008	0.166e-009	0.135e-013
1.0	0.563e-007	0.555e-007	0.227e-012
x_i	Actual absolute errors for $N = 14$ $e_{14}(x_i)$	Estimated absolute errors for $N = 14$ and $M = 16$ $e_{14,16}(x_i)$	Corrected absolute errors for $N = 14$ and $M = 16$ $E_{14,16}(x_i)$
-1.0	0.10e-009	0.13e-011	0.46e-018
-0.6	0.15e-010	0.57e-014	0.35e-019
-0.2	0.22e-010	0.13e-013	0.64e-019
0	0.75e-010	0.19e-013	0.91e-019
0.2	0.16e-009	0.26e-013	0.12e-018
0.6	0.40e-009	0.49e-013	0.21e-018
1.0	0.49e-009	0.16e-011	0.44e-018

Table 3

The comparison of the absolute errors obtained by the Chebyshev collocation method [9] and the presented method in Example 2.

N	Presented method	Method [9]
5	1.2e-006	2.23e-005
8	3.1e-010	8.27e-009
10	8.7e-013	3.25e-011
14	3.1e-018	1.06e-015

Example 3 ([6,10]). In this example, we solve the following Volterra integral equation of the second kind

$$y(x) + xe^{-x}y\left(\frac{1}{2}x\right) + \int_0^x e^{x-t}y(t)dt = f(x), \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1.1$$

where $f(x) = (x + 1)e^x + xe^{-\frac{1}{2}x}$. It can be easily obtained that the exact solution of this equation is $y(x) = e^x$. Using the procedure in Section 4 the approximate solution $y_N(x)$ and corrected approximate solutions $y_{N,M}(x)$ are calculated for $(N, M) = (3, 5), (4, 6), (5, 7)$ and the findings are presented in Table 4. The numerical values of absolute error functions (actual, estimated and corrected) are compared for different values of N, M in Table 5. From these data, it is noticed that the corrected absolute errors are closer to zero than actual absolute errors. Therefore, the corrected approximate solutions are quite close to exact solutions. Also, in Table 6 the comparison of the absolute errors are obtained by the variational iteration method (VIM) [6], the Chebyshev polynomial method [10] and our method have been presented. As a result, we can say that our method gives better approximation than the others. In Fig. 2, the orders of the corrected absolute errors with the increase of N, M values have been examined.

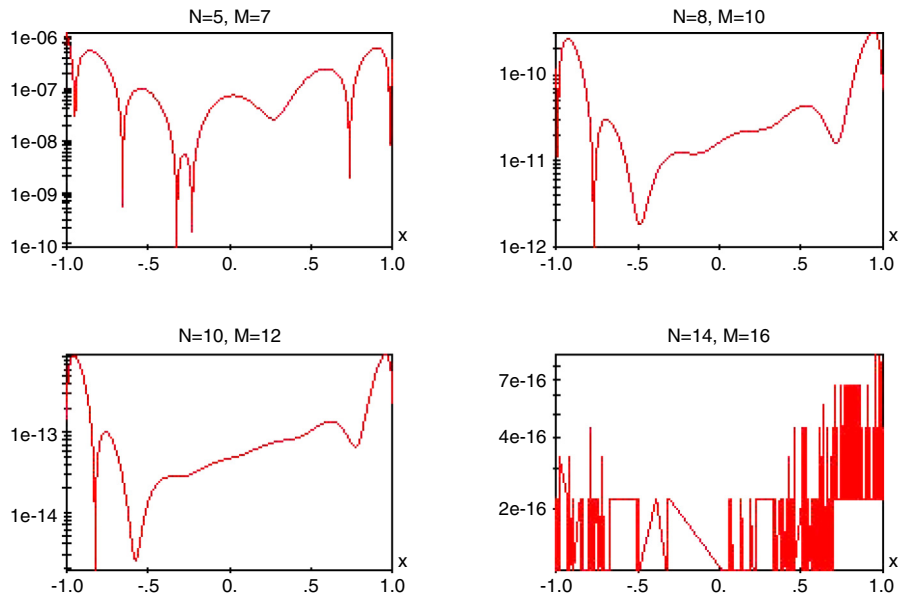


Fig. 1. Corrected absolute errors for Example 2.

Table 4

Numerical results of the exact solution and the approximate solutions of Example 3 for $(N, M) = (4, 6), (5, 7)$.

x_i	Exact solution $y(x_i) = e^{x_i}$	Approximate solution for $N = 4$ $y_4(x_i)$	Corrected approximate solution for $y_{4,6}(x_i)$	Approximate solution for $N = 5$ $y_5(x_i)$	Corrected approximate solution for $y_{5,7}(x_i)$
Numerical solutions					
0	1	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
0.2	1.221402758160	1.221418929924	1.221402817013	1.221399868181	1.2214027553169
0.4	1.491824697641	1.491807170607	1.491824677707	1.491821490146	1.4918246985692
0.6	1.822118800390	1.822377594578	1.822118822512	1.822181860977	1.8221187995560
0.8	2.225540928492	2.226490526881	2.225540912177	2.225974355345	2.2255409268373
1.0	2.718281828459	2.719653745069	2.718282077119	2.720777845559	2.7182818216242
1.1	3.004166023946	3.005062585901	3.004166083759	3.009290624488	3.0041659631211

Table 5

Comparison of the absolute errors (actual, estimated, corrected) of Example 2 for $(N, M) = (4, 6), (5, 7)$.

x_i	Actual absolute errors for $N = 4$ $e_4(x_i)$	Estimated absolute errors for $N = 4$ and $M = 6$ $e_{4,6}(x_i)$	Corrected absolute errors for $N = 4$ and $M = 6$ $E_{4,6}(x_i)$
0	0	0	0
0.2	0.16171764508e-004	0.16112911526e-004	0.5885298e-007
0.4	0.17527034040e-004	0.17507100761e-004	0.1993327e-007
0.6	0.25879418837e-003	0.25877206664e-003	0.2212172e-007
0.8	0.94959838946e-003	0.94961470399e-003	0.1631452e-007
1.0	0.13716679500e-002	0.13716679500e-002	0.2486605e-006
1.1	0.89650214214e-003	0.89650214214e-003	0.5981316e-007
x_i	Actual absolute errors for $N = 5$ $e_5(x_i)$	Estimated absolute errors for $N = 5$ and $M = 7$ $e_{5,7}(x_i)$	Corrected absolute errors for $N = 5$ and $M = 7$ $E_{5,7}(x_i)$
0	0	0	0
0.2	0.288997874775e-005	0.288713549287e-005	0.28432548e-008
0.4	0.320749515719e-005	0.320842315210e-005	0.92799490e-009
0.6	0.630605870487e-004	0.630614215242e-004	0.83447548e-009
0.8	0.433426852597e-003	0.433428507701e-003	0.16551041e-008
1.0	0.249601710031e-002	0.249602393508e-002	0.68347654e-008
1.1	0.512460054254e-002	0.512466136787e-002	0.60825329e-007

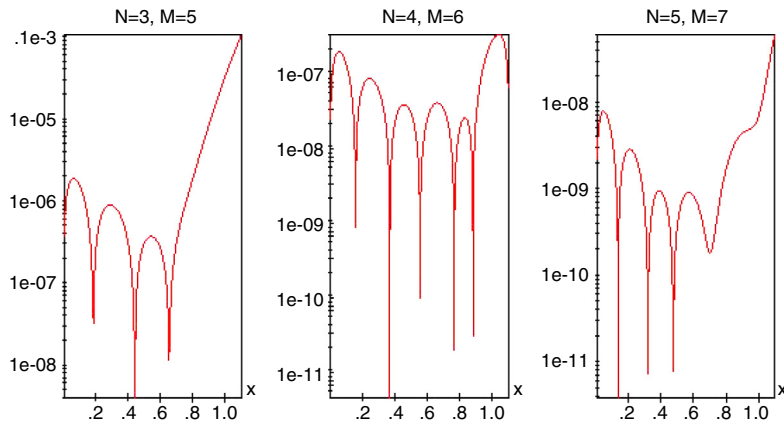


Fig. 2. Corrected absolute errors for Example 3.

Table 6

The comparison of the absolute errors obtained by the variational iteration method [6], Chebyshev collocation method [10] and the presented method in Example 3.

N	Presented method	Method [6]	Method [10]
3	1.0e–004	4.6e–004	2.2e–004
4	3.0e–007	7.3e–007	9.2e–006
5	5.8e–008	1.1e–007	4.1e–007

Table 7

Numerical results of the exact solution and the approximate solutions of Example 4 for (N, M) = (8, 10), (9, 11).

x_i	Exact solution $y(x_i) = \sin(x)$	Approximate solution for N = 8 $y_8(x_i)$	Corrected approximate solution for $y_{8,10}(x_i)$	Approximate solution for N = 9 $y_9(x_i)$	Corrected approximate solution for $y_{9,11}(x_i)$
Numerical solutions					
0	0	0.166857e–004	0.173027e–008	0.2525237e–005	0.4359096e–010
0.2	0.1986693308	0.1986686537	0.1986693289	0.19867333711	0.19866933074
0.4	0.3894183423	0.3893930368	0.3894183398	0.38942267382	0.38941834224
0.6	0.5646424734	0.5646220969	0.5646424701	0.56464885284	0.56464247330
0.8	0.7173560909	0.7173209250	0.7173560861	0.71736503043	0.71735609076
1.0	0.8414709848	0.8414152532	0.8414709771	0.84148541445	0.84147098459

Example 4 ([11,16–18]). Our last example is the following Volterra–Fredholm integral equation

$$x^2y(x) + e^x y(2x) - \int_0^{2x} e^{x+t} y(t) dt + \int_0^1 e^{x-2t} y(2t) dt = f(x)$$

where $f(x) = -\frac{e^x}{4} - \frac{1}{4}e^{x-2} \cos 2 + \frac{1}{2}e^{3x} \cos 2x - \frac{1}{4}e^{x-2} \sin 2 - \frac{1}{2}e^{3x} \sin 2x + x^2 \sin x + e^x \sin 2x$.

The exact solution of this equation is $y(x) = \sin(x)$. The numerical results of this example are represented by Table 7. As you can see in Table 8 the actual absolute errors, estimated absolute errors and corrected absolute errors are calculated for (N, m) = (5, 7), (8, 10), (9, 11) in Table 8. Additionally, Fig. 3 shows the corrected absolute errors for different values of N, M. When the findings which are obtained by Legendre collocation method in [11], Lagrange collocation method in [16] and Taylor collocation and matrix method in [17,18] are compared with the presented method, it is observed that the absolute errors of the presented method converge to zero rapidly for same values of N. You can see that in Table 9.

8. Conclusion

In this study, to solve the Volterra type functional integral equations with variable bounds and mixed delay numerically, we introduce a matrix method depending on Taylor polynomials and collocation points. Also the residual correction procedure is given to estimate the absolute errors. The present method and the error analysis procedures are applied to some examples which have been solved by other methods in the literature. The method has advantages such as;

- The present method is effective and by writing an algorithm in Maple 15, we can calculate the approximate solutions and absolute errors in short times.

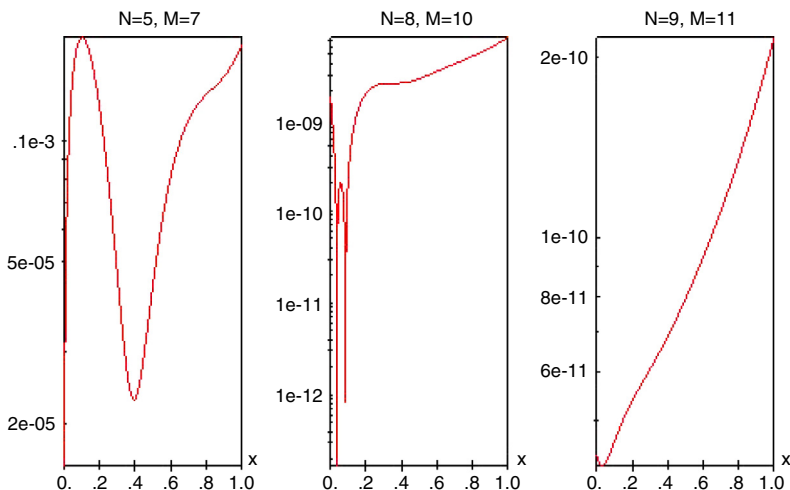


Fig. 3. Corrected absolute errors for Example 4.

Table 8

Comparison of the absolute errors (actual, estimated, corrected) of Example 4 for $(N, M) = (8, 10), (9, 11)$.

x_i	Actual absolute errors for $N = 8$ $e_8(x_i)$	Estimated absolute errors for $N = 8$ and $M = 10$ $e_{8,10}(x_i)$	Corrected absolute errors for $N = 8$ and $M = 10$ $E_{8,10}(x_i)$
0	0.16685781624e-004	0.16684051351e-004	0.173027328082e-008
0.2	0.67702899078e-006	0.67514989359e-006	0.187909718729e-008
0.4	0.25305442864e-004	0.25302991432e-004	0.245143230119e-008
0.6	0.20376421549e-004	0.20373150372e-004	0.327117637004e-008
0.8	0.35165856326e-004	0.35161071778e-004	0.478454866545e-008
1.0	0.55731593897e-004	0.55723966844e-004	0.762705335039e-008
x_i	Actual absolute errors for $N = 9$ $e_9(x_i)$	Estimated absolute errors for $N = 9$ and $M = 11$ $e_{9,11}(x_i)$	Corrected absolute errors for $N = 9$ and $M = 11$ $E_{9,11}(x_i)$
0	0.252523777245e-005	0.252528136341e-005	0.4359096268288e-010
0.2	0.400632472238e-005	0.400637845105e-005	0.5372867348369e-010
0.4	0.433152051181e-005	0.433158913852e-005	0.6862670713931e-010
0.6	0.637944544234e-005	0.637953833336e-005	0.9289102012698e-010
0.8	0.893953385037e-005	0.893966879653e-005	0.1349461641220e-009
1.0	0.144296393900e-004	0.144298542965e-004	0.2149064882124e-009

Table 9

The comparison of the absolute errors obtained by the Taylor collocation [17], the Taylor matrix [18] methods, Lagrange collocation method [16], the Legendre collocation method [11] and the presented method in Example 4.

N	Presented method	Method [11]	Method [16]	Method [17]	Method [18]
5	1.4e-004	2.93e-005	6.23e-005	6.23e-005	3.68e-004
8	7.4e-009	3.94e-008	1.77e-007	1.89e-008	1.24e-005
9	2.4e-010	2.29e-009	7.21e-006	2.35e-008	3.46e-007

- As it is seen from the numerical examples, the method provides a better approximation than the all other methods such as the Legendre collocation method, the Lagrange collocation method, the Chebyshev collocation method, VIM method for different values of N .
- Even if the exact solution of the main problem is not known, the absolute errors are estimated with residual correction procedure.

The method also can be developed and applied to differential functional integral equations with delay, nonlinear functional integral equations and functional integral equation systems.

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