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Third-degree B-spline collocation method for singularly perturbed time delay parabolic problem with two parameters

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This study deals with a fitted third-degree B-spline collocation method for two parametric singularly perturbed parabolic problems with a time lag. The proposed method comprises the Crank-Nicolson method for time discretization and the third-degree B-spline method spatial variable discretization. Rigorous numerical experimentations were carried out on some test examples. The obtained numerical results depict that the proposed scheme is more accurate than some methods existing in the literature. Parameter convergence analysis of the scheme is carried out and shows the present scheme is $(\varepsilon - \mu)$ -uniform convergent with the order of convergence $((\Delta t)^2 + \ell^2)$.

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1 Introduction

We consider the following two-parametric singularly perturbed parabolic problem with the time lag of the form:

$$\begin{cases} \varepsilon \frac{\partial^2 u(s,t)}{\partial s^2} + \gamma a(s,t) \frac{\partial u(s,t)}{\partial s} - b(s,t)u(s,t) - \frac{\partial u(s,t)}{\partial t} \\ = -c(s,t)u(s,t-\tau) + f(s,t), & (s,t) \in \Omega, \\ u(s,t) = \theta(s,t), & (s,t) \in [0,1] \times [-\tau,0], \\ u(0,t) = q_0(t), & 0 \leq t \leq T, \\ u(1,t) = q_1(t), & 0 \leq t \leq T, \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

where $\Omega = \Omega_s^N \times \Omega_t^M = (0,1) \times (0,T]$, T is fixed time, $\varepsilon, \gamma (0 < \varepsilon, \gamma \ll 1)$ are two small perturbation parameters and $\tau > 0$ is delay parameter. For the existence and uniqueness of the solution, the functions $a(s,t), b(s,t), c(s,t), f(s,t), q_0(t), q_1(t)$ and $\theta(s,t)$ are sufficiently smooth and bounded with $a(s,t) \geq \alpha > 0, b(s,t) \geq \varpi > 0, b(s,t) + c(s,t) \geq \beta > 0$. The mathematical models related to two-parameter singularly perturbed problem of type (1) arises in transport phenomena in chemistry, biology, chemical reactor theory [1], lubrication theory [2], and dc motor theory [3] and flow through unsaturated porous media [4].

Due to the dual presence of singular parameters and time delay in the problem finding oscillation-free solution of Equation (1) using contemporary computational methods are very tough task. To overcome such limitations, some scholars developed parameter uniform numerical methods. For instance, Sumit et al. [5] presented a robust numerical scheme using a hybrid monotone finite difference scheme on uniform mesh in time

and a piecewise uniform Shishkin mesh in space for Equation (1). Govindarao et al. [6] developed a uniformly convergent computational method using the implicit Euler scheme for temporal discretization on a uniform mesh and the upwind difference scheme for the spatial discretization on the Shishkin type meshes for Equation (1). The authors in the study mentioned in the references [7] and [8] constructed a parameter uniform numerical method based on a uniform mesh for Equation (1). The schemes in the study mentioned in the references [5] and [6] need apriori knowledge about the location and the width of the boundary layer(s) which might be difficult to understand for beginner researchers. Exponentially fitted difference (EFD) schemes have gained popularity as a powerful technique to singularly perturbed problems. For instance, the authors in the study mentioned in the references [9–11] suggested different EFD schemes for singularly perturbed two-point boundary-value problems. The aforementioned studies above motivate us, to propose and analyze the fitted third-degree B-spline collocation scheme for Equation (1). Analytical aspects of the problem, the description of the proposed scheme, and its corresponding analysis are preserved in the subsequent sections.

1.1 Apriori estimates for the solution of the continuous problem

When $\tau < \varepsilon$, the use of Taylor’s series expansion for the term containing shift argument is valid [12]. On applying Taylor’s series expansion on $u(s, t - \tau)$, we have:

$$u(s, t - \tau) = u(s, t) - \tau \frac{\partial u(s, t)}{\partial s} + O(\tau^2), \tag{2}$$

Now taking Equation (2) into Equation (1), we have:

$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{L}_{\varepsilon, \gamma} u(s, t) \equiv \varepsilon \frac{\partial^2 u(s, t)}{\partial s^2} + \mu a(s, t) \frac{\partial u(s, t)}{\partial s} - \eta(s, t) u(s, t) - d_\tau(s, t) \frac{\partial u(s, t)}{\partial t} = f(s, t), \\ u(s, 0) = \theta_0(s), s \in \Omega_s \\ u(0, t) = q_0(t), t \in \Omega_t, \\ u(1, t) = q_1(t), t \in \Omega_t. \end{cases} \tag{3}$$

where, $\eta(s, t) = b(s, t) - c(s, t)$, $d_\tau(s, t) = 1 + \tau c(s, t)$.

Lemma 1. (Continuous minimum principle). If $u \in C^{(2,1)}(\bar{\Omega})$, $u|_{\partial\Omega} \geq 0$ and $\mathcal{L}_{\varepsilon, \gamma} u|_{\Omega} \leq 0$. Then, $u|_{\bar{\Omega}} \geq 0$.

Proof. Assume that the arbitrary function u attains its minimum value at the point $(s^*, t^*) \in \bar{\Omega}$ such that $u(s^*, t^*) = \min_{(s,t) \in \bar{\Omega}} u(s, t)$ and suppose that $u(s^*, t^*) < 0$. Clearly, $(s^*, t^*) \notin \partial\Omega$. Therefore, $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(s^*, t^*) = 0$, $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(s^*, t^*) = 0$ and $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial s^2}(s^*, t^*) \geq 0$. Moreover, for $(s^*, t^*) \in \Omega$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\varepsilon, \gamma} u(s^*, t^*) &= \varepsilon \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial s^2}(s^*, t^*) + \gamma a(s^*, t^*) \frac{\partial u}{\partial s}(s^*, t^*) \\ &\quad - \eta(s^*, t^*) u(s^*, t^*) - d_\tau(s, t) \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(s^*, t^*) \geq 0, \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

which is illogicality to the supposition that $\mathcal{L}_{\varepsilon, \mu} u|_{\Omega} \leq 0$. It follows that $u|_{\bar{\Omega}} \geq 0$.

Lemma 2. (Uniform stability estimate) Let $u(s, t)$ be the solution of Equation (3), then we have:

$$\|u\|_{\bar{\Omega}} \leq \max \{|\theta_0(s, t)|, |q_0(t)|, |q_1(t)|\} + \beta^{-1} \|f\|,$$

where $\|\cdot\|_{\bar{\Omega}}$ is used to denote maximum norm given by $\|u\|_{\bar{\Omega}} = \max_{(s,t) \in \bar{\Omega}} |u(s, t)|$.

Proof. Let Θ^\pm be the barrier functions given as

$$\Theta^\pm(s, t) = \max \{|\theta_0(s)|, |q_0(t)|, |q_1(t)|\} + \beta^{-1} \|f\| \pm u(s, t).$$

Then at the initial and boundary conditions, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta^\pm(s, 0) &= \max \{|\theta_0(s)|, |q_0(0)|, |q_1(0)|\} + \beta^{-1} \|f\| \pm \theta_0(s), \\ &\geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta^\pm(0, t) &= \max \{|\theta_0(0)|, |q_0(t)|, |q_1(t)|\} + \beta^{-1} \|f\| \pm u(0, t), \\ &= \max \{|\theta_0(0)|, |q_0(t)|, |q_1(t)|\} + \beta^{-1} \|f\| \pm q_0(t), \\ &\geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta^\pm(1, t) &= \max \{|\theta_0(1)|, |q_0(t)|, |q_1(t)|\} + \beta^{-1} \|f\| \pm u(1, t), \\ &= \max \{|\theta_0(1)|, |q_0(t)|, |q_1(t)|\} + \beta^{-1} \|f\| \pm q_1(t), \\ &\geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Applying the differential operator in (3) on $\Theta^\pm(s, t)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\varepsilon, \gamma} \Theta^\pm(s, t) &= \varepsilon \frac{\partial^2 \Theta^\pm(s, t)}{\partial s^2} + \gamma a(s, t) \frac{\partial \Theta^\pm(s, t)}{\partial s} \\ &\quad - \eta(s, t) \Theta^\pm(s, t) - d_\tau(s, t) \frac{\partial \Theta^\pm(s, t)}{\partial t}, \\ &= \varepsilon \frac{\partial^2}{\partial s^2} [\max \{|\theta_0(s)|, |q_0(t)|, |q_1(t)|\} \\ &\quad + \beta^{-1} \|f\| \pm u(s, t)] \\ &\quad + \gamma a(s, t) \frac{\partial}{\partial s} [\max \{|\theta_0(s)|, |q_0(t)|, |q_1(t)|\} \\ &\quad + \beta^{-1} \|f\| \pm u(s, t)] \\ &\quad - \eta(s, t) [\max \{|\theta_0(s)|, |q_0(t)|, |q_1(t)|\} \\ &\quad + \beta^{-1} \|f\| \pm u(s, t)] \\ &\quad - d_\tau(s, t) \frac{\partial}{\partial t} [\max \{|\theta_0(s)|, |q_0(t)|, |q_1(t)|\} \\ &\quad + \beta^{-1} \|f\| \pm u(s, t)], \\ &= -\eta(s, t) [\max \{|\theta_0(s)|, |q_0(t)|, |q_1(t)|\} \\ &\quad + \beta^{-1} \|f\| \pm u(s, t)] \pm \mathcal{L}_{\varepsilon, \mu} u(s, t), \\ &= -\eta(s, t) [\max \{|\theta_0(s, t)|, |q_0(t)|, |q_1(t)|\} \\ &\quad + \beta^{-1} \|f\| \pm u(s, t)] \pm f(s, t) \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

Since $\eta(s, t) \geq \beta > 0$ we have $\eta(s, t)\beta^{-1} > 1$, and the fact $\|f\| \geq f(s, t)$ implies that $\mathcal{L}_{\varepsilon, \mu} \Theta^\pm(s, t) \leq 0$. Hence, Lemma (1) confirms $\Theta^\pm(s, t) \geq 0, \forall (s, t) \in \bar{\Omega}$, which yields the desired result.

The above Lemma (1) and Lemma (2) are guarantees for the existence and uniqueness solution of Equation (3), respectively.

2 Formulation of the numerical method

2.1 Temporal semi-discretization

We describe the uniform mesh for the domain Ω_t as

$$\Omega_t^M = \{t_j = j\Delta t, j = 0, \dots, M, \Delta t = T/M\}.$$

Applying the Crank-Nicholson method on t -direction of Equation (3) yields

$$\begin{cases} \varepsilon U_{ss}(s, t_{j+1}) + \gamma a(s, t_{j+1})U_s(s, t_{j+1}) - p(s, t_{j+1})U(s, t_{j+1}) \\ = g(s, t_{j+1}), \\ U(s, t_{j+1}) = \theta_0(s), s \in \bar{\Omega}_s, \\ U(0, t_{j+1}) = q_0(t_{j+1}), 0 \leq t_{j+1} \leq T, \\ U(1, t_{j+1}) = q_1(t_{j+1}), 0 \leq t_{j+1} \leq T, \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

where

$$g(s, t_{j+1}) = -\varepsilon U_{ss}(s, t_j) - \gamma a(s, t_j)U_s(s, t_j) + Q(s, t_j)U(s, t_j) + f(s, t_{j+1}) + f(s, t_j), \quad (7)$$

$$p(s, t_{j+1}) = \eta(s, t_{j+1}) + \frac{2d_\tau(s, t_{j+1})}{\Delta t} \text{ and } Q(s, t_j) = \eta(s, t_j) + \frac{2d_\tau(s, t_j)}{\Delta t}.$$

The local truncation error (LTE) of the temporal semi-discretization of Equation (6) is defined as $e_{j+1} = u(s, t_{j+1}) - U(s, t_{j+1})$, where $U(s, t_{j+1})$ is the solution of the following BVP

$$\begin{cases} \varepsilon U_{ss}(s, t_{j+1}) + \gamma a(s, t_{j+1})U_s(s, t_{j+1}) - p(s, t_{j+1})U(s, t_{j+1}) \\ = g(s, t_{j+1}), \\ U(0, t_{j+1}) = q_0(t_{j+1}), 0 \leq t_{j+1} \leq T, \\ U(1, t_{j+1}) = q_1(t_{j+1}), 0 \leq t_{j+1} \leq T. \end{cases} \quad (8)$$

Now, we state the bounds for the errors in the local and global as follows.

Lemma 3. (LTE) If

$$\left| \frac{\partial^k U(s, t)}{\partial s^k} \right| \leq C, \quad (s, t) \in \bar{\Omega}, \quad 0 \leq k \leq 2,$$

the LTE of Equation (6) is given by

$$\|e_{j+1}\|_\infty \leq C(\Delta t)^3, \quad 1 \leq j \leq M.$$

Proof. See [6].

Lemma 4. Underneath Lemma (3), the global error estimate (GEE)at t_j is given by

$$\|E_j\|_\infty \leq C(\Delta t)^2, \quad j \leq T/\Delta t.$$

TABLE 1 Coefficients of third-degree B-splines and their derivatives at knots.

s	s_{i-2}	s_{i-1}	s_i	s_{i+1}	s_{i+2}
$B_i(s)$	0	1	4	1	0
$B'_i(s)$	0	$-3/\ell$	0	$3/\ell$	0
$B''_i(s)$	0	$6/\ell^2$	$-12/\ell^2$	$6/\ell^2$	0

Proof. From Lemma 3, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|E_j\|_\infty &= \left\| \sum_{i=1}^j e_i \right\|_\infty, j \leq T/\Delta t \\ &\leq \|e_1\|_\infty + \|e_2\|_\infty + \|e_3\|_\infty + \dots + \|e_j\|_\infty \\ &\leq Cj(\Delta t)^3 \quad (\text{by Lemma 3}) \\ &\leq C(j\Delta t)((\Delta t)^2) \\ &\leq CT((\Delta t)^2) \quad (j\Delta t \leq T) \\ &\leq C((\Delta t)^2), \end{aligned}$$

where $C(C > 0)$ is constant independent of ε, μ , and Δt .

2.2 Spatial discretization

To approximate Equation (6), we employ the third-degree B-spline collocation method. We divide the space domain $\bar{\Omega}_s$ as $\bar{\Omega}_s = \{0 = s_0 < s_1 < \dots < s_N = 1\}$ with $s_i = i\ell$, where $\ell = 1/N$. The third-degree B-Spline ($B_i(s)$) can be defined as [13]

$$B_i(s) = \frac{1}{\ell^3} \begin{cases} (s - s_{i-2})^3, & s \in [s_{i-2}, s_{i-1}], \\ \ell^3 + 3\ell^2(s - s_{i-1}) + 3\ell(s - s_{i-1})^2 - 3(s - s_{i-1})^3, & s \in [s_{i-1}, s_i], \\ \ell^3 + 3\ell^2(s_{i+1} - s) + 3\ell(s_{i+1} - s)^2 - 3(s_{i+1} - s)^3, & s \in [s_i, s_{i+1}], \\ (s_{i+2} - s)^3, & s \in [s_{i+1}, s_{i+2}], \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad (9)$$

where $\{B_i\}_{i=-1}^{N+1}$ form a basis over $\bar{\Omega}_s$. Let $S_3(\bar{\Omega}_s)$ be the set of all third-degree B-spline functions over the subintervals $\bar{\Omega}_s$. Let $\lambda = \{B_{-1}, B_0, B_1, \dots, B_{N+1}\}$ and $\xi_3(\bar{\Omega}_s)$ be the set of all linear components of B'_i 's. The function B'_i 's are linearly independent, thus $\xi_3(\bar{\Omega}_s)$ is dimensional space of $S_3(\bar{\Omega}_s)$ [14].

In the third-degree B-spline collocation method, we approximate the exact solution $U(s, t_{j+1})$ by $S(s)$ in the form:

$$S(s) \approx \sum_{i=-1}^{N+1} \alpha_i(t)B_i(s), \quad (10)$$

where $\alpha_i(t)$'s are time-dependent parameters to be determined from the collocation method together with using the boundary and initial conditions. The values of $B_i(s)$ and its derivatives are presented in Table 1.

From Equation (10) and Table 1, we have

$$\begin{cases} (S)_i^j = \alpha_{i-1}^j + 4\alpha_i^j + \alpha_{i+1}^j, \\ (S_s)_i^j = \frac{3}{\ell} (\alpha_{i+1}^j - \alpha_{i-1}^j), \\ (S_{ss})_i^j = \frac{6}{\ell^2} (\alpha_{i-1}^j - 2\alpha_i^j + \alpha_{i+1}^j). \end{cases} \quad (11)$$

At $s = s_i$ undertaking the notation $U(s_i, t_{j+1}) = \hat{U}(s_i)$ Equation (6) and introducing a fitting factor $\sigma(s_i)$ in the resulting equation to handle the influence of perturbation parameter on solution profile, we have

$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{L}_{\varepsilon, \gamma}^{N, M} \hat{U}(s_i) = \sigma(s_i) \varepsilon \hat{U}_{ss}(s_i) + \gamma a(s) \hat{U}_s(s_i) - p(s_i) \hat{U}(s_i) = g(s_i), \\ \hat{U}_0(s_i) = \theta_0(s_i), \quad 0 \leq i \leq N, \\ \hat{U}(0) = q^{j+1}(0), \quad 0 \leq j < M, \\ \hat{U}(1) = q^{j+1}(1), \quad 0 \leq j < M. \end{cases} \tag{12}$$

In the corresponding time level, plugging Equation (11) at the knots into Equation (12) and simplifying, we obtain

$$Y_i^- \alpha_{i-1}^{j+1} + Y_i^c \alpha_i^{j+1} + Y_i^+ \alpha_{i+1}^{j+1} = D_i^- \alpha_{i-1}^j + D_i^c \alpha_i^j + D_i^+ \alpha_{i+1}^j + \ell^2 (f_i^j + f_i^{j+1}), \quad i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N, \tag{13}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} Y_i^- &= 6\sigma_i \varepsilon - 3\ell \gamma a_i - \ell^2 p_i, \\ Y_i^c &= -12\sigma_i \varepsilon - 4\ell^2 p_i, \\ Y_i^+ &= 6\sigma_i \varepsilon + 3\ell \gamma a_i - \ell^2 p_i. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} D_i^- &= -6\sigma_i \varepsilon + 3\ell \gamma a_i + \ell^2 p_i, \\ D_i^c &= 12\sigma_i \varepsilon + 4\ell^2 p_i, \\ D_i^+ &= -6\sigma_i \varepsilon - 3\ell \gamma a_i + \ell^2 p_i. \end{aligned}$$

The fitting factor σ_i is given as [15, 16]

$$\sigma_i = \frac{\gamma a_i \rho}{2} \coth\left(\frac{\gamma a_i \rho}{2}\right), \tag{14}$$

where $\rho = \ell/\varepsilon$.

At each $(j + 1)$ th time level, this gives $(N + 1)$ equations with $(N + 3)$ unknowns $[\alpha_{-1}^{j+1}, \alpha_0^{j+1}, \alpha_1^{j+1}, \dots, \alpha_{N+1}^{j+1}]$. Using boundary conditions in Equation (11) and the first and last equation, of Equation (13), we get

$$Y \alpha_i^{j+1} = D \alpha_i^j + H, \tag{15}$$

where

$$Y = \begin{pmatrix} (Y_0^c - 4Y_0^-) & (Y_0^+ - Y_0^-) & & & & \\ Y_1^- & Y_1^c & Y_1^+ & & & \\ & \dots & \dots & \dots & & \\ & & \dots & \dots & \dots & \\ & & & Y_{N-1}^- & Y_{N-1}^c & Y_{N-1}^+ \\ & & & (Y_N^- - Y_N^+) & (Y_N^c - 4Y_N^+) & \end{pmatrix},$$

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} (D_0^c - 4D_0^-) & (D_0^+ - D_0^-) & & & & \\ D_1^- & D_1^c & D_1^+ & & & \\ & \dots & \dots & \dots & & \\ & & \dots & \dots & \dots & \\ & & & D_{N-1}^- & D_{N-1}^c & D_{N-1}^+ \\ & & & (D_N^- - D_N^+) & (D_N^c - 4D_N^+) & \end{pmatrix},$$

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} \ell^2 (f_0^j + f_0^{j+1}) - Y_0^- q_0(t_{j+1}) + D_0^- q_0(t_j) \\ \ell^2 (f_1^j + f_1^{j+1}) \\ \vdots \\ \ell^2 (f_{N-1}^j + f_{N-1}^{j+1}) \\ \ell^2 (f_N^j + f_N^{j+1}) - Y_N^+ q_1(t_{j+1}) + D_N^+ q_1(t_j) \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\alpha_i^{j+1} = \left(\alpha_0^{j+1}, \alpha_1^{j+1}, \alpha_2^{j+1}, \dots, \alpha_N^{j+1} \right)^t, \quad \text{and}$$

$$\alpha_i^j = \left(\alpha_0^j, \alpha_1^j, \alpha_2^j, \dots, \alpha_N^j \right)^t,$$

which is a diagonally dominant and non-singular matrix. Consequently, we get an exclusively solvable system of equations. So, we can solve the system in the study mentioned in the reference [15] for α_i^j 's, substituting these values into Equation (10), and we obtain the required approximate solution.

3 Convergence analysis

Lemma 5. [15] The B-Splines $B_{-1}, B_0, B_1, \dots, B_{N+1}$, satisfy the inequality

$$\sum_{i=-1}^{N+1} |B_i(s)| \leq 10, \quad s \in \Omega_s.$$

Proof. See [15]

Lemma 6. Let $S(s)$ be the collocation approximation from the space of third-degree splines $\xi_3(\overline{\Omega}_s)$ to the solution $\hat{U}(s)$ of Equation (15) at the $(j + 1)$ th time step. If $g \in C^2[0, 1]$, the parameter uniform error estimate is given by:

$$\sup_{0 < \varepsilon \leq 1} \max_{0 \leq i \leq N} |\hat{U}(s_i) - S(s_i)| \leq C\ell^2,$$

where C is a positive constant independent of ε, μ , and N .

Proof. Let $R(s)$ be the unique spline interpolate from $\xi_3(\overline{\Omega}_N)$ to the solution $\hat{U}(s_i)$ of the Equation (12) given by

$$R(s) = \sum_{i=-1}^{N+1} \hat{\alpha}_i B_i(s). \tag{16}$$

If $g(s) \in C^2(\hat{\Omega}_\varepsilon)$, $\hat{U}(s_i) \in C^4(\bar{\Omega}_s)$, and adopting the Hall error estimates [17] for this case, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|\hat{U}(s) - R(s)\|_\infty &\leq c_0 \|\hat{U}^{(4)}\|_\infty \ell^4, \\ \|\hat{U}'(s) - R'(s)\|_\infty &\leq c_1 \|\hat{U}^{(4)}\|_\infty \ell^3, \\ \|\hat{U}''(s) - R''(s)\|_\infty &\leq c_2 \|\hat{U}^{(4)}\|_\infty \ell^2, \end{aligned}$$

where the c_0, c_1 , and c_2 are the constants independent of ℓ and N . Therefore, from the estimates of the above equations and the collocating conditions $\mathcal{L}_{\varepsilon,\gamma}^{N,M} S(s_i) = \mathcal{L}_{\varepsilon,\gamma}^M \hat{U}(s_i) = g(s_i)$, it follows

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \mathcal{L}_{\varepsilon,\gamma}^{N,M} S(s_i) - \mathcal{L}_{\varepsilon,\gamma}^{N,M} R(s_i) \right| = \left| \mathcal{L}_{\varepsilon,\gamma}^M \hat{U}(s_i) - \mathcal{L}_{\varepsilon,\gamma}^{N,M} R(s_i) \right| \\ &= \left| \varepsilon \left(\hat{U}''(s_i) - \sigma(s_i) R''(s_i) \right) + \gamma a(s_i) \left(\hat{U}'(s_i) - R'(s_i) \right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \left| -p(s_i) \left(\hat{U}(s_i) - R(s_i) \right) \right| \right|, \\ &= \left| \varepsilon \left(\hat{U}''(s_i) - \sigma(s_i) R''(s_i) \right) + \varepsilon \sigma(s_i) \hat{U}''(s_i) - \varepsilon \sigma(s_i) R''(s_i) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \left| \gamma a(s_i) \left(\hat{U}'(s_i) - R'(s_i) \right) \right| + \left| p(s_i) \left(\hat{U}(s_i) - R(s_i) \right) \right| \right|, \\ &= \left| \varepsilon \left(\sigma(s_i) - 1 \right) \hat{U}''(s_i) + \varepsilon \sigma(s_i) \left(\hat{U}''(s_i) - R''(s_i) \right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \left| \gamma a(s_i) \left(\hat{U}'(s_i) - R'(s_i) \right) \right| + \left| p(s_i) \left(\hat{U}(s_i) - R(s_i) \right) \right| \right|, \\ &\leq |\varepsilon| |\sigma - 1| \|\hat{U}''(s)\|_\infty + |\varepsilon| |\sigma| \|\hat{U}''(s) - R''(s)\|_\infty \\ &+ \|\gamma a(s)\|_\infty \|\hat{U}'(s) - R'(s)\|_\infty + \|p(s)\|_\infty \|\hat{U}(s) - R(s)\|_\infty, \\ &\leq |\varepsilon| |\sigma - 1| \|\hat{U}^{(2)}(s)\|_\infty + (|\varepsilon| |\sigma| c_2 \ell^2 + \|\mu a(s)\|_\infty c_1 \ell^3 \\ & \quad + \|p(s)\|_\infty c_0 \ell^4) \|\hat{U}^{(4)}\|_\infty. \end{aligned}$$

Since $\varepsilon \ll 1$ and as $\ell \rightarrow 0$, we obtain the following estimate

$$\left| \mathcal{L}_{\varepsilon,\gamma}^{N,M} S(s_i) - \mathcal{L}_{\varepsilon,\gamma}^{N,M} R(s_i) \right| \leq |\varepsilon| |\sigma - 1| \|\hat{U}^{(2)}\|_\infty. \tag{17}$$

From the power series expansion of hyperbolic cotangent function, we have $s \coth s \approx 1 + \frac{s^2}{3} - \frac{s^4}{45}$ and then $|s \coth s - 1| \leq Cs^2$. This and Equation (14) indicate

$$|\sigma - 1| \leq C\ell^2. \tag{18}$$

Substituting Equation (19) in Equation (18), we get

$$\left\| \mathcal{L}_{\varepsilon,\gamma}^{N,M} S(s) - \mathcal{L}_{\varepsilon,\gamma}^{N,M} R(s) \right\| \leq C\ell^2. \tag{19}$$

Using relationship in Equation (15), $\mathcal{L}_{\varepsilon,\gamma}^{N,M} \left(\hat{U}(s_i) - R(s_i) \right)$ yields,

$$Y(\alpha - \hat{\alpha}) = (F - \hat{F}), \tag{20}$$

where $\alpha = \alpha_i^{j+1}$, $\bar{\alpha} = \bar{\alpha}_i^{j+1}$,

$$\alpha - \hat{\alpha} = (\alpha_0 - \hat{\alpha}_0, \alpha_1 - \hat{\alpha}_1, \dots, \alpha_N - \hat{\alpha}_N)^t,$$

$$F = D\alpha^j + H,$$

$$F - \hat{F} = (\ell^2(g(s_0) - \hat{g}(s_0)), \ell^2(g(s_1) - \hat{g}(s_1)), \dots, \ell^2(g(s_N) - \hat{g}(s_N)))^t.$$

Using Equation (20), we get

$$\|F - \hat{F}\|_\infty \leq C\ell^4. \tag{21}$$

It is observed that the coefficient matrix A is diagonally dominant as they gratify the subsequent relations::

$$|y_{i,i}| - (|y_{i,i-1}| + |y_{i,i+1}|) = 2p_i \ell^2 \geq 2(\nu) \ell^2 > 0, \text{ as } y(s) \geq \nu > 0.$$

In addition, from the first and last rows of Y , we have

$$|y_{0,0}| - |y_{0,1}| = 36\sigma_0 + 6p_0 \ell, \quad |y_{N,N}| - |y_{N,N-1}| = 36\sigma_N - 6p_N \ell.$$

The above diagonal dominant property for smaller values of ℓ [18] gives

$$\|Y^{-1}\|_\infty \leq \frac{C}{\ell^2}. \tag{22}$$

From (20)-(22), we get

$$|\alpha_i - \hat{\alpha}_i| \leq C\ell^2, 0 \leq i \leq N.$$

Now to estimate $|\alpha_{-1} - \hat{\alpha}_{-1}|$ and $|\alpha_{N+1} - \hat{\alpha}_{N+1}|$, using the boundary conditions, we get

$$|\alpha_{-1} - \hat{\alpha}_{-1}| \leq C\ell^2.$$

$$|\alpha_{N+1} - \hat{\alpha}_{N+1}| \leq C\ell^2.$$

Therefore

$$\max_{-1 \leq i \leq N+1} |\alpha_i - \hat{\alpha}_i| \leq C\ell^2. \tag{23}$$

The above inequality allows us to estimate: $\|S(s) - R(s)\|_\infty$, so $\|\hat{U}(s) - S(s)\|_\infty$. In specific,

$$S(s) - R(s) = \sum_{i=-1}^{N+1} (\alpha_i - \hat{\alpha}_i) B_i(s). \tag{24}$$

Thus, substituting Equation (24) and Lemma 5 in (25), we get

$$|S(s) - R(s)| \leq \max_{-1 \leq i \leq N+1} |\alpha_i - \hat{\alpha}_i| \sum_{i=-1}^{N+1} |B_i(s)| \leq C\ell^2.$$

This gives

$$\|S(s) - R(s)\|_\infty \leq C\ell^2. \tag{25}$$

Using the triangle inequality rule, we obtain

$$\|\hat{U}(s) - S(s)\|_\infty \leq \|\hat{U}(s) - R(s)\|_\infty + \|R(s) - S(s)\|_\infty. \tag{26}$$

Using first term of Equation (17) and Equation (26) into Equation (27), we have

$$\sup_{0 < \varepsilon \leq 1} \max_{0 \leq i \leq N} |\hat{U}(s_i) - S(s_i)| \leq C\ell^2.$$

TABLE 2 Comparison of $E_{\epsilon,\gamma}^{N,M}$ and $\rho_{\epsilon,\gamma}^{N,M}$ for fixed $\gamma = 10^{-4}$ and varying ϵ for Example (1) with the study mentioned in the reference [6] using Shishkin (S-) mesh and Bakhvalov-Shishkin (BS-) mesh.

$\epsilon \downarrow$	$M = N = 32$	64	128	256	512	1024
Proposed Scheme						
10^{-4}	9.1896e-005	4.0758e-005	1.1623e-005	2.5647e-006	6.3395e-007	1.5761e-007
	1.1729	1.8101e	2.1801	2.0163	2.0080	
10^{-6}	4.4930e-05	1.1228e-005	2.8067e-006	1.0981e-006	5.5981e-007	1.8088e-007
	2.0006	2.0002	1.3539	9.7200e-01	1.6299	
10^{-8}	4.4931e-05	1.1228e-005	2.8068e-006	7.0168e-007	1.7542e-007	4.3855e-008
	2.0006	2.0001	2.0000	2.0000	2.0000	
10^{-10}	4.4931e-05	1.1228e-005	2.8068e-006	7.0168e-007	1.7542e-007	4.3855e-008
	2.0006	2.0001	2.0000	2.0000	2.0000	
Results using S-mesh [6]						
10^{-4}	2.8183e-003	1.4253e-003	7.1638e-004	3.5904e-004	1.7973e-004	-
	0.9835	0.9925	0.9965	0.9983	0.9992	
10^{-6}	2.8274e-003	1.4272e-003	7.1717e-004	3.5952e-004	1.7999e-004	-
	0.9863	0.9927	0.9962	0.9981	0.9991	
10^{-8}	2.8287e-003	1.4280e-003	7.1748e-004	3.5961e-004	1.8002e-004	-
	0.9860	0.9930	0.9965	0.9982	0.9991	
10^{-10}	2.8286e-003	1.4280e-003	7.1747e-004	3.5960e-004	1.8002e-004	-
	0.9861	0.9930	0.9965	0.9982	0.9991	
Results using BS-mesh [6]						
10^{-4}	1.9776e-003	9.9679e-004	5.0025e-004	2.5059e-004	1.2544e-004	-
	0.9892	0.9946	0.9973	0.9986	0.9993	
10^{-6}	1.9789e-003	9.9691e-004	5.0033e-004	2.5064e-004	1.2544e-004	-
	0.9891	0.9945	0.9973	0.9986	0.9993	
10^{-8}	1.9789e-003	9.9691e-004	5.0033e-004	2.5064e-004	1.2544e-004	-
	0.9891	0.9945	0.9973	0.9981	0.9993	
10^{-10}	1.9789e-003	9.9691e-004	5.0033e-004	2.5064e-004	1.2544e-004	-
	0.9891	0.9945	0.9973	0.9986	0.9993	

Theorem 1. Let $u(s_i, t_j)$ and $S(s_i, t_j)$ be the solution of the problem (3) and the collocation approximation from the space $\xi_3(\Omega_s)$ to the solution $u(s_i, t_j)$, respectively. If $g(s, t_j) \in C^2(\overline{\Omega_s})$,

$$\|u(s_i, t_j) - S(s_i, t_j)\| \leq C((\Delta t)^2 + \ell^2).$$

4 Test examples, numerical computations, and discussions

Some numerical experiments have been presented using the following examples.

Example 1. Consider the following problem of the form (1) [5, 6]

$$\begin{cases} \epsilon \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial s^2} + \gamma(1+s) \frac{\partial u}{\partial s} - u(s, t) - \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = -u(s, t-1) \\ + 16s^2(1-s^2), & (s, t) \in \Omega_s \times (0, 2], \\ u(s, t) = 0, & (s, t) \in \Omega_s \times (-1, 0], \\ u(0, t) = 0, & u(1, t) = 0, & t \in (0, 2]. \end{cases}$$

Example 2. Consider the following problem of the form (1) [5, 6]

$$\begin{cases} \epsilon \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial s^2} + \gamma(1+s(1-s) + t^2) \frac{\partial u}{\partial s} - (1+5st)u(s, t) - \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \\ = -u(s, t-1) + s(1-s)(e^t - 1), \\ (s, t) \in \Omega_s \times (0, 2], \\ u(s, t) = 0, & (s, t) \in \Omega_s \times (-1, 0], \\ u(0, t) = 0, & u(1, t) = 0, & t \in (0, 2]. \end{cases}$$

TABLE 3 Comparison of $E_{\epsilon,\gamma}^{N,M}$, $E^{N,M}$, and $\rho^{N,M}$ for $\epsilon = 10^{-4}$ and varying γ for Example (1) with the study mentioned in the reference [6] using S- mesh and BS- mesh.

$\gamma \downarrow$	$N = 32$	64	128	256	512	1024
	$M = 32$	64	128	256	512	1024
Proposed Scheme [6]						
10^{-4}	9.1896e-005	4.0758e-005	1.1623e-005	2.5647e-006	6.3395e-007	1.5761e-007
10^{-6}	4.4389e-005	1.1075e-005	2.7674e-006	1.1918e-006	6.0607e-007	1.9911e-007
10^{-8}	4.4103e-005	1.0828e-005	2.6141e-006	7.2964e-007	3.6784e-007	1.8261e-007
10^{-10}	4.4103e-005	1.0828e-005	2.6141e-006	7.2964e-007	3.6786e-007	1.8430e-007
10^{-12}	4.4103e-005	1.0828e-005	2.6141e-006	7.2964e-007	3.6786e-007	1.8430e-007
$E^{N,M}$	9.1896e-005	4.0758e-005	1.1623e-005	2.5647e-006	6.3395e-007	1.9911e-007
$\rho^{N,M}$	1.1729	1.8101	2.1801	2.0163	1.6708	
Results using S-mesh [6]						
$E^{N,M}$	2.8183e-003	1.4253e-003	7.1638e-004	3.5904e-004	1.7973e-004	-
$\rho^{N,M}$	0.9835	0.9925	0.9965	0.9983	0.9992	-
Results using BS-mesh [6]						
$E^{N,M}$	1.9653e-003	9.9001e-004	4.9686e-004	2.4891e-004	1.2531e-4	-
$\rho^{N,M}$	0.9892	0.9946	0.9973	0.9986	0.9901	-

TABLE 4 Comparison of $E_{\epsilon,\gamma}^{N,M}$ and $\rho_{\epsilon,\gamma}^{N,M}$ for $\gamma = 10^{-3}$ and varying ϵ for Example (2) with the results mentioned in the reference [5].

$\epsilon \downarrow$	$N = 32$	64	128	256	512
	$M = 8$	32	128	512	2048
10^{-0}	8.8039e-005	3.0501e-005	8.1957e-006	2.0851e-006	4.5917e-007
	1.5293	1.8959	1.9748	2.183	
10^{-2}	6.1690e-004	2.1201e-004	5.6926e-005	1.4481e-005	3.6251e-006
	1.5409	1.8970	1.9749	1.9981	
10^{-4}	6.3732e-004	2.1895e-004	5.8789e-005	1.4955e-005	3.6850e-006
	1.5414	1.8970	1.9749	2.0209	
10^{-6}	6.3813e-004	2.1945e-004	5.9048e-005	1.5001e-005	3.6970e-006
	1.5400	1.8939	1.9768	2.0206	
10^{-8}	6.3813e-004	2.1945e-004	5.9049e-005	1.5002e-005	3.6970e-006
	1.5400	1.8939	1.9768	2.0207	
10^{-10}	6.3813e-004	2.1945e-004	5.9049e-005	1.5002e-005	3.6970e-006
	1.5400	1.8939	1.9768	2.0207	
$E^{N,M}$	6.3813e-004	2.1945e-004	5.9049e-005	1.5002e-005	3.6970e-006
$\rho^{N,M}$	1.5400	1.8939	1.9768	2.0207	
Results [5]					
$E^{N,M}$	1.1161e-002	2.4750e-003	8.9349e-004	3.3001e-004	9.5237e-005
$\rho^{N,M}$	2.1729	1.4699	1.4369	1.7929	

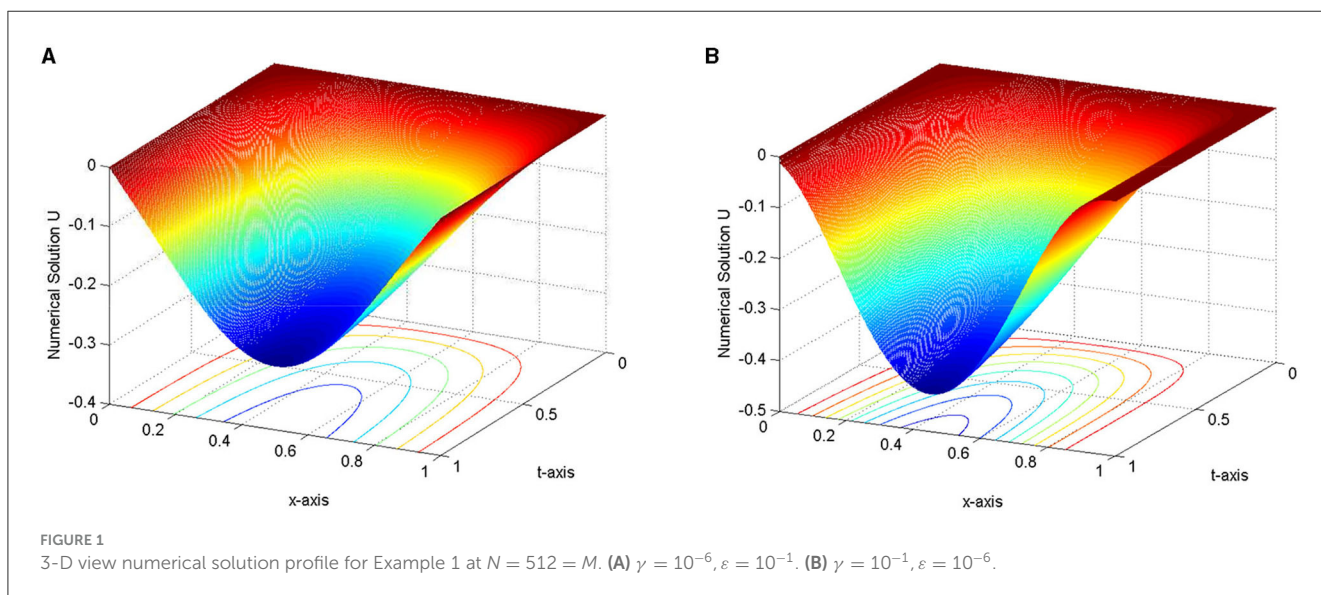
Since the exact solution for Examples (1) and (2) is not exist, we use the double mesh principle to compute the maximum absolute errors, for each ϵ and μ , using the following formula [15, 19]:

$$E_{\epsilon,\gamma}^{N,M} = \max_{0 \leq i \leq N; t \in [0,T]} |U^{N,M}(s_i, t_j) - U^{2N,2M}(s_i, t_j)|, \quad (27)$$

where $U^{N,M}(s_i, t_j)$ is the numerical solution with (N, M) mesh points, and $U^{2N,2M}(s_i, t_j)$ is the numerical solution at the finer mesh with $(2N, 2M)$ mesh points. The (ϵ, γ) -uniform absolute errors are calculated using the following formula:

TABLE 5 Comparison of $E_{\epsilon,\gamma}^{N,M}$, $E^{N,M}$, $\rho_{\epsilon,\gamma}^{N,M}$, and $\rho^{N,M}$, for $\epsilon = 10^{-4}$ and varying γ for Example (2).

$\gamma \downarrow$	$N = 32$	64	128	256	512
	$M = 8$	32	128	512	2048
Proposed Scheme					
10^{-4}	6.3734e-004	2.1896e-004	5.8792e-005	1.4955e-005	3.7550e-006
	1.5414	1.8970	1.9750	1.9937	
10^{-6}	6.3735e-004	2.1897e-004	5.8793e-005	1.4955e-005	3.7550e-006
	1.5414	1.8970	1.9750	1.9937	
10^{-8}	6.3735e-004	2.1897e-004	5.8793e-005	1.4955e-005	3.7550e-006
	1.5414	1.8970	1.9750	1.9937	
10^{-10}	6.3735e-004	2.1897e-004	5.8793e-005	1.4955e-005	3.7550e-006
	1.5414	1.8970	1.9750	1.9937	
$E^{N,M}$	6.3735e-004	2.1897e-004	5.8793e-005	1.4955e-005	3.7550e-006
$\rho^{N,M}$	1.5414	1.8970	1.9750	1.9937	



$$E^{N,M} = \max_{\epsilon,\gamma} E_{\epsilon,\gamma}^{N,M}. \tag{28}$$

The numerical rate of convergence and the (ϵ, γ) -uniform rate of convergence are computed by using the following formulas, respectively.

$$\rho_{\epsilon,\gamma}^{N,M} = \log_2 \left(\frac{E_{\epsilon,\gamma}^{N,M}}{E_{\epsilon,\gamma}^{2N,2M}} \right) \text{ and } \rho^{N,M} = \max_{\epsilon,\gamma} \rho_{\epsilon,\gamma}^{N,M}. \tag{29}$$

The computed results by the proposed scheme and comparison with previous schemes for the considered problems are presented in Tables 2–5. From these tables, we observed that the presented method provides more accurate results than results in the study mentioned in the references [5] and [6]. 3-D view numerical simulation for Examples (1) and (2) is presented in Figures 1, 2, respectively. These figures show that as (ϵ, γ) goes very small, twin boundary layers formed at $s = 0$ and $s = 1$. We have plotted a log-log plot of the $E_{\epsilon,\gamma}^{N,M}$ versus N in Figures 3A, B for

(1)–(2), respectively. This figure shows that the scheme is stable and (ϵ, γ) -uniformly convergent.

5 Conclusion

In this study, second order numerical method for the two-parametric singularly perturbed time delay parabolic problem on a uniform mesh is presented. The problem is discretized by the Crank-Nicolson method in time and the third-degree B-spline method in space variable. The presented scheme is proven to be an (ϵ, γ) -uniformly convergent accuracy of order $O((\Delta t)^2 + \ell^2)$. To validate the theoretical findings, some test examples are considered. The computed results are in agreement with the theoretical investigations. Furthermore, the numerical results show that the presented scheme gives better results than available schemes in the literature.

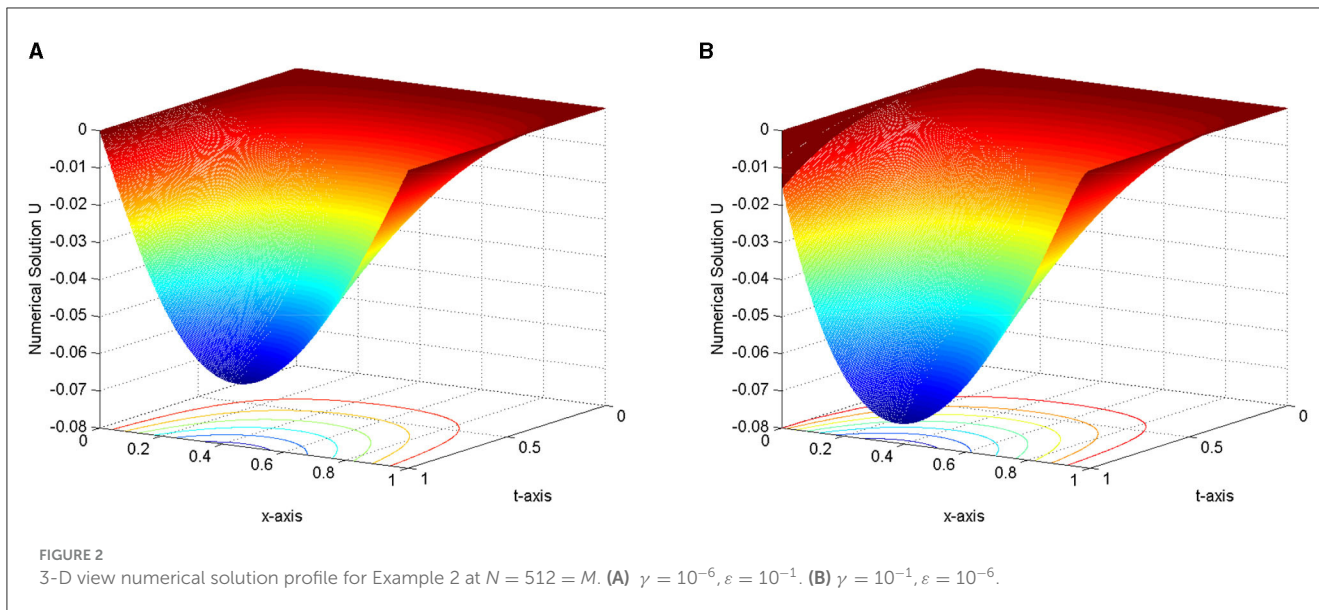


FIGURE 2 3-D view numerical solution profile for Example 2 at $N = 512 = M$. (A) $\gamma = 10^{-6}, \epsilon = 10^{-1}$. (B) $\gamma = 10^{-1}, \epsilon = 10^{-6}$.

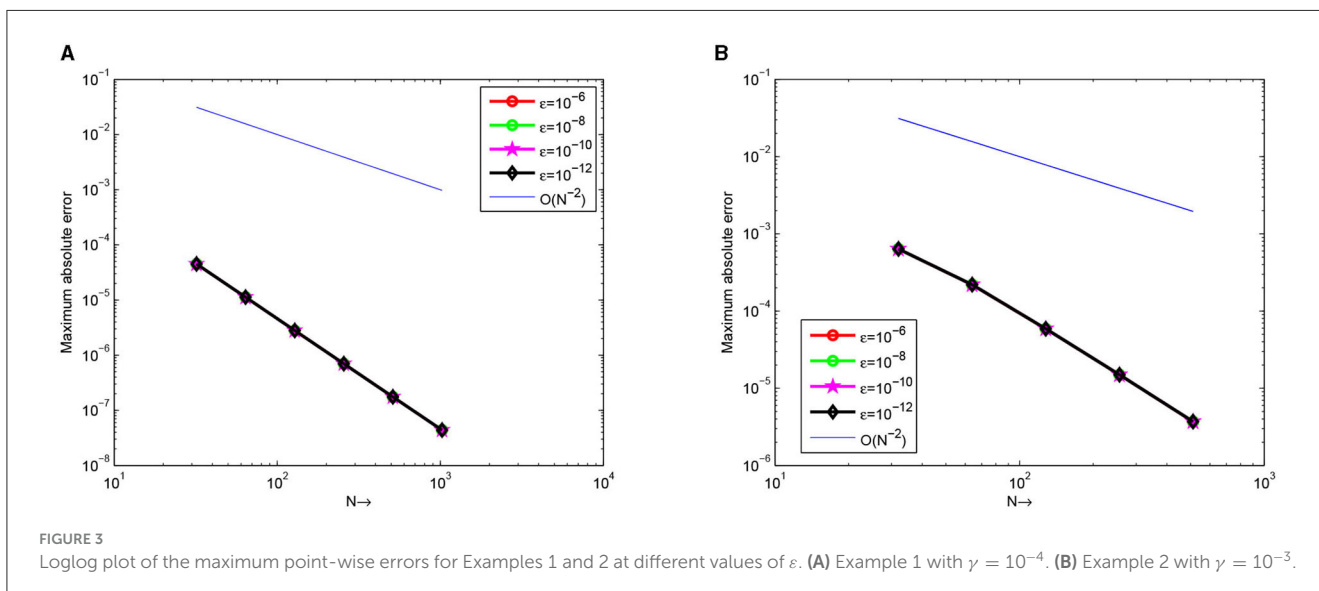


FIGURE 3 Loglog plot of the maximum point-wise errors for Examples 1 and 2 at different values of ϵ . (A) Example 1 with $\gamma = 10^{-4}$. (B) Example 2 with $\gamma = 10^{-3}$.

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