

## An Analytical Technique for Shock-Peakon and Shock-Compacton Solutions

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**Abstract:** This paper outlines the implementation of variational iteration method (VIM) for finding new solitary solutions for nonlinear dispersive  $K(p, q)$  equations. Numerical results coupled with the graphical representation explicitly reveal the accuracy, simplicity and efficiency of the proposed algorithm.

**Key words:** Variational iteration method • Lagrange multiplier • Shock-peakon solution • Shock-compacton solution •  $K(p, q)$  equation

### INTRODUCTION

The nonlinear  $K(p, q)$  equations [1-36] arise very frequently in various physical phenomenon and a new type of solution which is named as peakon and compacton is of utmost importance in this context. The generalized form of a nonlinear dispersive equation  $K(p, q)$  is given by:

$$u_t + \alpha(u^p)_x + (u^q)_{xxx} = 0. \quad (1)$$

Due to the great physical significance of (1), extensive research work has been carried out by various authors, see [1-12] and the references therein. The basic motivation of this paper is the implementation of variational iteration method for finding peakon and compacton solutions of nonlinear dispersive  $K(p, q)$  equation. It is observed that the proposed technique (VIM) is extremely simple and is highly suitable for such problems. Numerical results coupled with the graphical representation explicitly support our claim.

**Variational Iteration Method (VIM):** To illustrate the basic concept of the He's VIM, we consider the following general differential equation.

$$Lu + Nu = g(x), \quad (2)$$

Where  $L$  is a linear operator,  $N$  a nonlinear operator and  $g(x)$  is the inhomogeneous term. According to variational iteration method [13-21, 32-40], we can construct a correction functional as follows.

$$u_{n+1}(x) = u_n(x) + \int_0^x \lambda (Lu_n(s) + Nu_n(s) - g(s)) ds, \quad (3)$$

Where  $\lambda$  is a Lagrange multiplier [13-21, 33-36], which can be identified optimally via variational iteration method. The subscripts  $n$  denote the  $n$ th approximation,  $\tilde{u}_n$  is considered as a restricted variation.

i.e.  $\delta \tilde{u}_n = 0$ ; (2) is called a correction functional. The solution of the linear problems can be solved in a single iteration step due to the exact identification of the Lagrange multiplier. The principles of variational iteration method and its applicability for various kinds of differential equations are given in [13-21, 33-36]. In this method, it is required first to determine the Lagrange multiplier  $\lambda$  optimally. The successive approximation  $u_{n+1}$ ,  $n \geq 0$  of the solution  $u$  will be readily obtained upon using the determined Lagrange multiplier and any selective function  $u_0$  consequently, the solution is given by  $u = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n$ . The convergence of variational iteration method has been discussed in [20].

### Solution Procedure

**Shock Peakon Solution in  $K(2, 2)$  Equation:** Now we consider  $K(2, 2)$  equation:

$$ut + a(u^2)_x + (u^2)_{xxx} = 0, \quad (4)$$

To search for its solution, we can assume an initial condition in the form

$$u(x,0) = -\frac{4c}{3a} \cos^2 \frac{\sqrt{a}}{4} (x + x_0), \quad (5)$$

Where  $x_0$  and  $c$  are constants. The correction functional is give by

$$u_{n+1}(x,t) = -\frac{4c}{3a} \cos^2 \frac{\sqrt{a}}{4} (x + x_0) + \int_0^t \lambda(s) \left( \frac{\partial u_n}{\partial s} + a(\tilde{u}_n^2)_x + (\tilde{u}_n^2)_{xxx} \right) ds.$$

Making the correctional function stationary, Lagrange multiplier can be identified as  $\lambda(s) = -1$ , consequently

$$u_{n+1}(x,t) = -\frac{4c}{3a} \cos^2 \frac{\sqrt{a}}{4} (x + x_0) - \int_0^t \left( \frac{\partial u_n}{\partial s} + a(u_n^2)_x + (u_n^2)_{xxx} \right) ds.$$

Following approximants are made:

$$u_0(x,t) = -\frac{4c}{3a} \cos^2 \frac{\sqrt{a}}{4} (x + x_0), \quad (6)$$

$$u_1(x,t) = \frac{c^2}{3\sqrt{a}} t \sin \frac{\sqrt{a}}{2} (x + x_0), \quad (7)$$

$$u_2(x,t) = -\frac{c^3}{12} t^2 \cos \frac{\sqrt{a}}{2} (x + x_0), \quad (8)$$

$$u_3(x,t) = -\frac{c^4 \sqrt{a}}{72} t^3 \sin \frac{\sqrt{a}}{2} (x + x_0), \quad (9)$$

$\vdots$

and so on, the rest of the components of the iteration can be deduced by Mathematical package. The solutions  $u(x,t)$  are readily found in a closed form

$$u(\xi) = \begin{cases} -\frac{4c}{3a} \cos^2 \frac{\sqrt{a}}{4} \xi & [\xi] \leq \frac{\pi}{2} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (10)$$

Where  $\xi = x + ct + x_0$ . The obtained compacton solution, Eq.(14), has the same expression with that in Ref. [13]. The solution is shown in Fig. 1 with  $a = 1$ ,  $c_0 = -1$ ,  $x_0 = 0$ . From (10), we can find compacton solution arise as  $a > 0$ . Therefore, we pay more attention to what happens to the solution when  $a > 0$ . Assuming another initial condition as  $u(x,0) = Ae^{\pm(\sqrt{-a}/2)(x+x_0)} + c_0$ , we can then obtain the solution  $u(x,t)$  in a closed form as.

$$u(x,t) = Ae^{-(\sqrt{-a}/2)|x-(3/2)ac_0t+x_0|} + c_0 \quad (11)$$

Where  $A, x_0$  and  $c_0$  are arbitrary constants, which are flowing peakon solutions as shown in Fig. (2) with  $A = 1$ ,  $a = -1$ ,  $c_0 = 1$ ,  $x_0 = 0$ . Note that  $A$  in (11) is an arbitrary constant, hence we can obtain a new solitary solution called shock-peakon solution which can be written in the form.

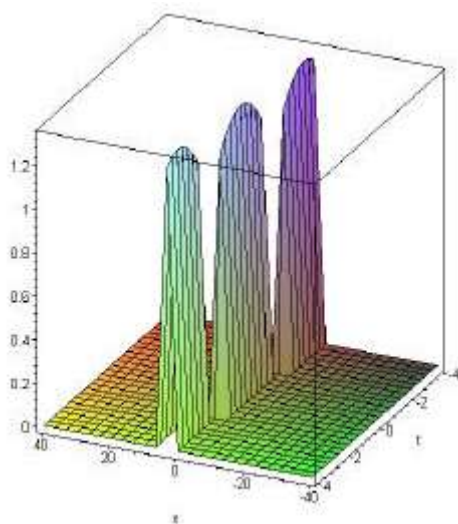


Fig. 1: Compacton solution

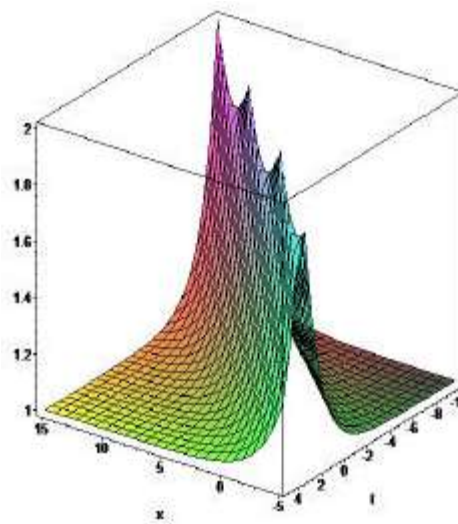


Fig. 2: Flowing peakon solution

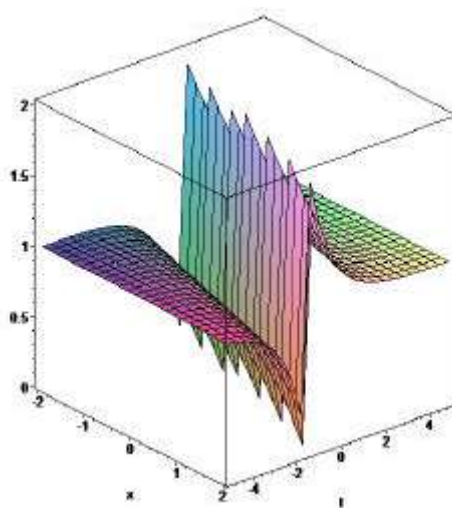


Fig. 3: Shock-peakon solution.

$$u(\xi) = A \text{sign}(\xi) e^{-(\sqrt{-a}/2)|\xi|} + c_0 \quad (12)$$

Where  $\xi = x - (3/2)ac_0t + x_0$  and  $\text{sign}(\xi) = \xi/|\xi|$ . The shock-peakon solution illustrated Fig.(3) with  $A = 1$ ,  $a = -1$ ,  $c_0 = 1$ ,  $x_0 = 0$ . This is a new type of solitary waves and is a discontinuous wave. Hence it is shock wave. At the same time, it is a peakon as well. In fact, from the graphs and computation we can find that it has a discontinuous first-order derivative at  $\xi = 0$ . But, this solitary wave is non-local. It can be expressed by  $\delta$  function. Note that the fact.

$$e^{-(\sqrt{-a}/2)|\xi|} = e^{-(\sqrt{-a}/2)\text{sign}(\xi)\xi}, \quad \frac{d}{d\xi} \text{sign}(\xi) = \delta(\xi). \quad (13)$$

Hence

$$\frac{d}{d\xi} u(\xi) = A \delta e^{-(\sqrt{-a}/2)\text{sign}(\xi)\xi} - \frac{\sqrt{-a}}{2} A [\text{sign}(\xi) \delta(\xi) \xi + 1] e^{-(\sqrt{-a}/2)\text{sign}(\xi)\xi}, \quad (14)$$

Where  $\delta(\delta)$  is  $\delta$  function. Assuming different initial conditions, we may obtain different exact solution in a closed form as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} u(x,0) &= -\frac{4c}{3a} \sin^2 \frac{\sqrt{a}}{4} (x+x_0) & -\frac{4c}{3a} \cosh^2 \frac{\sqrt{-a}}{4} (x+x_0), & -\frac{4c}{3a} \sin^2 \frac{\sqrt{-a}}{4} (x+x_0), \\ u(x,0) &= -\frac{4c}{3a} \sin^2 \frac{\sqrt{a}}{4} (x+ct+x_0) & -\frac{4c}{3a} \cosh^2 \frac{\sqrt{-a}}{4} (x+ct+x_0), & -\frac{4c}{3a} \sin^2 \frac{\sqrt{-a}}{4} (x+ct+x_0), \end{aligned}$$

**Shock Peakon Solution in K(3,3) Equation:** Now we consider  $K(3,3)$  equation:

$$u_t + a(u^3)_x + (u^3)_{xxx} \quad (15)$$

According to HPM, we readily construct the homotopy.

$$u_t + p(a(u^3)_x + (u^3)_{xxx}), \quad (16)$$

To search for its solution, we can assume an initial condition in the form

$$u(x,0) = \sqrt{-\frac{3c}{2a}} \cos \frac{\sqrt{a}}{3} (x+x_0), \quad (17)$$

Where  $x_0$  and  $c$  are constants. The correction functional is give by

$$u_{n+1}(x,t) = \sqrt{-\frac{3c}{2a}} \cos \frac{\sqrt{a}}{3} (x+x_0) + \int_0^t \lambda(s) \left( \frac{\partial u_n}{\partial s} - a(\tilde{u}_n^3)_x + (\tilde{u}_n^3)_{xxx} \right) ds.$$

Making the correctional function stationary, Lagrange multiplier can be identified as  $\lambda(s) = -1$ , consequently

$$u_{n+1}(x,t) = \sqrt{-\frac{3c}{2a}} \cos \frac{\sqrt{a}}{3} (x+x_0) - \int_0^t \lambda(s) \left( \frac{\partial u_n}{\partial s} - a(u_n^3)_x + (u_n^3)_{xxx} \right) ds.$$

Following approximants are made:

$$u_0(x,t) = \sqrt{-\frac{3c}{2a}} \cos \frac{\sqrt{a}}{3} (x+x_0), \quad (18)$$

$$u_1(x,t) = -\sqrt{-\frac{c^3}{6}} t \sin \frac{\sqrt{a}}{3} (x+x_0), \quad (19)$$

$$u_2(x,t) = -\sqrt{-\frac{c^5 a}{6}} t^2 \cos \frac{\sqrt{a}}{3} (x+x_0), \quad (20)$$

$$u_3(x,t) = \frac{1}{54} \sqrt{-\frac{c^7 a^2}{6}} t^3 \sin \frac{\sqrt{a}}{3} (x+x_0), \quad (21)$$

$\vdots$

and so on. The solutions  $u(x,t)$  in a closed form are obtained by Mathematica package

$$u(\xi) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{-\frac{3c}{2a}} \cos \frac{\sqrt{a}}{3} \xi & [\xi] \leq \frac{\pi}{2} \\ 0 & otherwise \end{cases} \quad (22)$$

Where  $\xi = x + ct + x_0$ . The compacton solution is shown in Fig.(4) with  $a=-1$ ,  $c_0 = 1$ ,  $x_0 = 0$ .

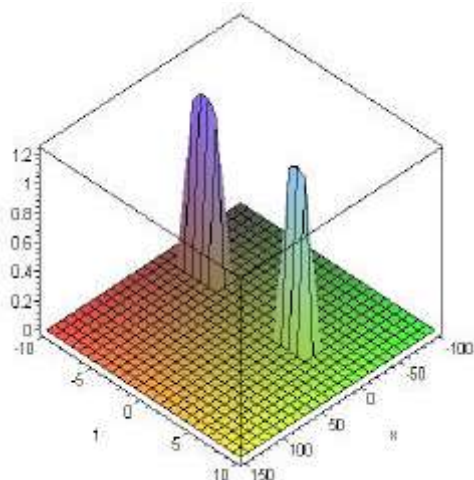


Fig. 4: Compacton solution

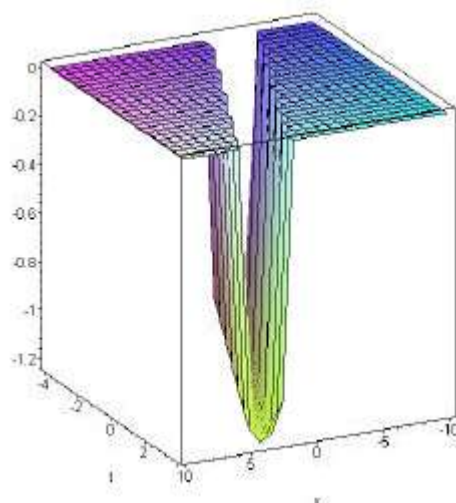


Fig. 5: Shock-compacton solution

By the same method, we can obtain the solution  $u(x,t)$  in a closed form as

$$u(\xi) = \begin{cases} -\sqrt{-\frac{3c}{2a}} \cos \frac{\sqrt{a}}{3} \xi & |\xi| \leq \frac{\pi}{2}, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad (23)$$

So we can obtain a new solitary solution called the shock-compacton solution as follows

$$u(\xi) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{-\frac{3c}{2a}} \text{sign}(\xi) \cos \frac{\sqrt{a}}{3} \xi & |\xi| \leq \frac{\pi}{2}, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad (24)$$

Which is shown in Fig.(5) with  $a=-1$ ,  $c_0 = 1$ ,  $x_0 = 0$ . From the graphs and computation we can find that it has discontinuous first-order derivative at  $\xi = 0, \pm \pi/2$ . Note that the fact

$$u(\xi) = \sqrt{-\frac{3c}{2a}} \text{sign}(\xi) A(\xi) \cos \frac{\sqrt{a}}{3} \xi \quad (25)$$

$$\frac{d}{d\xi} A(\xi) = \delta\left(\xi + \frac{\pi}{2}\right) - \delta\left(\xi - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{d}{d\xi} \text{sign}(\xi) = \delta(\xi) \quad (26)$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{d\xi} u(\xi) &= \sqrt{-\frac{3c}{2a}} \delta(\xi) A(\xi) \cos \frac{\sqrt{a}}{3} \xi + \sqrt{-\frac{3c}{2a}} \text{sign}(\xi) \left[ \delta\left(\xi + \frac{\pi}{2}\right) - \delta\left(\xi - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \right] \cos \frac{\sqrt{a}}{3} \xi \\ &\quad - \sqrt{-\frac{c}{6}} \text{sign}(\xi) A(\xi) \sin \frac{\sqrt{a}}{3} \xi, \end{aligned} \quad (27)$$

Where

$$A(\xi) = \begin{cases} 1, & |\xi| \leq \frac{\pi}{2} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad (28)$$

$\delta(\delta)$  is  $\delta$  function. Hence shock-compacton solution is non-local and new type of solitary wave. It has the characters of shock and compacton.

## CONCLUSION

In this study, we obtain two new types of solitary wave solution: shock-peakon and shock-compacton for  $K(p, q)$  equation by means of the variational iteration method. They are non-local shock wave solutions, having the characters of peakon and compacton. Numerical results clearly reveal the complete reliability of the proposed algorithm.

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