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# Exact Traveling Wave Solutions of Nonlinear PDEs in Mathematical Physics Using the Modified Simple Equation Method 

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#### Abstract

In this article, we apply the modified simple equation method to find the exact solutions with parameters of the (1+1)-dimensional nonlinear Burgers-Huxley equation, the (2+1) dimensional cubic nonlinear Klein-Gordon equation and the (2+1)-dimensional nonlinear Kadomtsev-Petviashvili-Benjamin-Bona-Mahony (KP-BBM) equation. The new exact solutions of these three equations are obtained. When these parameters are given special values, the solitary solutions are obtained.


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## 1. Introduction

In science, many important phenomena in various fields can be described by nonlinear partial differential equations. Searching for exact soliton solutions of these equations plays an important role in the study on the dynamics of those phenomena.

With the development of soliton theory, many powerful methods for obtaining these exact solutions are presented, such as the inverse scattering transformation method [Ablowitz and Clarkson (1991)], the Backlund transformation method [Miura (1978)], the Hirota bilinear method [Hirota (1971)], the extended tanh-function method [Fan (2000)], the sine-cosine method [Wazwaz (2004)], the exp-function method [He and Wu (2006)], the F-expansion method [Zhang and Xia (2006)], the Jacobi-elliptic function method [Lu (2005)], the ( $G^{\prime} / G$ ) -expansion method [Wang et al. (2008)], the modified simple equation method [Jawad et al. (2010), Zayed (2011), Zayed and Ibrahim (2012), Zayed and Arnous (2012)], and so on.

To exemplify the application of the modified simple equation method, we will consider the exact wave solutions of three nonlinear partial differential equations, namely, the ( $1+1$ ) nonlinear Burgers-Huxley equation, the (2+1)-dimensional cubic nonlinear Klein-Gordon equation and the (2+1)-dimensional nonlinear KP-BBM equation.

The rest of this article is organized as follows: In Section 2, the description of the modified simple equation method is given. In Section 3, we apply this method to the three nonlinear equations indicated above. In Section 4, conclusions are given.

## 2. Description of the Modified Simple Equation Method

Suppose we have a nonlinear evolution equation in the form:

$$
\begin{equation*}
F\left(u, u_{t}, u_{x}, u_{x x}, \ldots\right)=0, \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $F$ is a polynomial in $u(x, t)$ and its partial derivatives in which the highest order derivatives and nonlinear terms are involved.

In the following, we give the main steps of this method [Jawad et al. (2010), Zayed (2011), Zayed and Ibrahim (2012), Zayed and Arnous (2012)]:

Step 1. We use the wave transformation:

$$
\begin{equation*}
u(x, t)=u(\xi), \quad \xi=x-c t, \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $c$ is a nonzero constant, to reduce equation (1) to the following ODE:

$$
\begin{equation*}
P\left(u, u^{\prime}, u^{\prime \prime}\right)=0, \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $P$ is a polynomial in $u(\xi)$ and its total derivatives, while $'=d / d \xi$.
Step 2. We suppose that Equation (3) has the formal solution

$$
\begin{equation*}
u(\xi)=\sum_{k=0}^{N} A_{k}\left[\frac{\psi^{\prime}(\xi)}{\psi(\xi)}\right]^{k}, \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $A_{k}$ are constants to be determined, such that $A_{N} \neq 0$. The function $\psi(\xi)$ is an unknown function to be determined later, such that $\psi^{\prime} \neq 0$.

Step 3. We determine the positive integer $N$ in Equation (4) by considering the homogeneous balance between the highest order derivatives and the nonlinear terms in the equation (3).

Step 4. We substitute (4) into (3), calculate all the necessary derivatives $u^{\prime}, u^{\prime \prime}, \ldots$, of the unknown function $u(\xi)$ and account for the function $\psi(\xi)$. As a result of this substitution, we get a polynomial of $\psi^{-j},(j=0,1, \ldots)$. In this polynomial, we gather all the terms of the same power of $\psi^{-j},(j=0,1, \ldots)$, and we equate with zero all the coefficients of this polynomial. This operation yields a system of equations which can be solved to find $A_{k}$ and $\psi(\xi)$. Consequently, we can get the exact solutions of the equation (1).

## 3. Applications

In this section, we apply the modified simple equation method to find the exact wave solutions and then the solitary wave solutions of the following nonlinear partial differential equations:

Example: 1. The (1+1)-dimensional nonlinear Burgers-Huxley Equation

This equation is well known [Yefimova and Kudryashov (2004), Kheiri et al. (2011), Kudryashov and Loguinova (2008)] and has the form:

$$
\begin{equation*}
u_{t}+u_{x x}+3 u u_{x}+\alpha u+u^{2}+u^{3}=0, \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\alpha$ is a nonzero constant. The solutions of the equation (5) have been investigated by using the Cole-Hopf transformation [Yefimova and Kudryashov (2004)], the ( $G^{\prime} / G$ ) -expansion method [Kheiri et al. (2011)] and the extended simple equation method [Kudryashov and Loguinova (2008 )]. Let us now investigate the equation (5) using the modified simple equation method. To this end, we use the transformation (2) to reduce the equation (5) to the following ODE:

$$
\begin{equation*}
-c u^{\prime}+u^{\prime \prime}+3 u u^{\prime}+\alpha u+u^{2}+u^{3}=0 . \tag{6}
\end{equation*}
$$

Balancing $u^{\prime \prime}$ with $u^{3}$ yields $N=1$. Consequently, the equation (6) has the formal solution

$$
\begin{equation*}
u(\xi)=A_{0}+A_{1}\left(\frac{\psi^{\prime}}{\psi}\right) \tag{7}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $A_{0}$ and $A_{1}$ are constants to be determined such that $A_{1} \neq 0$ and $\psi^{\prime} \neq 0$. It is easy to see that

$$
\begin{equation*}
u^{\prime}=A_{1}\left(\frac{\psi^{\prime \prime}}{\psi}-\frac{\psi^{\prime 2}}{\psi^{2}}\right) \tag{8}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
u^{\prime \prime}=A_{1}\left(\frac{\psi^{\prime \prime \prime}}{\psi}-\frac{3 \psi^{\prime} \psi^{\prime \prime}}{\psi^{2}}+\frac{2 \psi^{\prime 3}}{\psi^{3}}\right) \tag{9}
\end{equation*}
$$

Substituting (7) - (9) into (6) and equating all the coefficients of $\psi^{0}, \psi^{-1}, \psi^{-2}, \psi^{-3}$ to zero, we respectively obtain

$$
\begin{align*}
& \psi^{0}: A_{0}\left(A_{0}^{2}+A_{0}+\alpha\right)=0  \tag{10}\\
& \psi^{-1}: A_{1} \psi^{\prime \prime \prime}+A_{1} \psi^{\prime \prime}\left(3 A_{0}-c\right)+A_{1} \psi^{\prime}\left(3 A_{0}^{2}+2 A_{0}+\alpha\right)=0  \tag{11}\\
& \psi^{-2}: A_{1} \psi^{\prime 2}\left(c-3 A_{0}+A_{1}+3 A_{0} A_{1}\right)+3 \psi^{\prime} \psi^{\prime \prime} A_{1}\left(A_{1}-1\right)=0  \tag{12}\\
& \psi^{-3}: A_{1} \psi^{\prime 3}\left(A_{1}^{2}-3 A_{1}+2\right)=0 \tag{13}
\end{align*}
$$

Since $A_{1} \neq 0$ and $\psi^{\prime} \neq 0$, we deduce from (10) and (13) that

$$
\begin{equation*}
A_{0}=0, \quad A_{0}^{2}+A_{0}+\alpha=0, \quad A_{1}=1, \quad A_{1}=2 \tag{14}
\end{equation*}
$$

Let us now discuss the following cases:

Case 1. If $A_{0}=0, A_{1}=1$

In this case, equations (11) and (12) reduce to

$$
\begin{align*}
& \psi^{\prime \prime \prime}-c \psi^{\prime \prime}+\alpha \psi^{\prime}=0,  \tag{15}\\
& (c+1) \psi^{\prime 2}=0 . \tag{16}
\end{align*}
$$

From equations (15) and (16), we get $c=-1$ and

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi^{\prime \prime \prime}+\psi^{\prime \prime}+\alpha \psi^{\prime}=0 \tag{17}
\end{equation*}
$$

which has the solution

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi=c_{1}+c_{2} \exp \left[(-1+\sqrt{1-4 \alpha}) \frac{\xi}{2}\right]+c_{3} \exp \left[-(1+\sqrt{1-4 \alpha}) \frac{\xi}{2}\right], \tag{18}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $c_{1}$ and $c_{2}$ are constants and $\alpha \leq \frac{1}{4}$. Differentiating (18) with respect to $\xi$, we have

$$
\begin{align*}
\psi^{\prime}=\frac{c_{2}(-1+\sqrt{1-4 \alpha})}{2} \exp \left[(-1+\sqrt{1-4 \alpha}) \frac{\xi}{2}\right]- \\
\frac{c_{3}(1+\sqrt{1-4 \alpha})}{2} \exp \left[-(1+\sqrt{1-4 \alpha}) \frac{\xi}{2}\right] . \tag{19}
\end{align*}
$$

Substituting (18) and (19) into (7), we obtain

$$
u(\xi)=\frac{c_{2}\left(\frac{-1+\sqrt{1-4 \alpha}}{2}\right) \exp \left[(-1+\sqrt{1-4 \alpha}) \frac{\xi}{2}\right]}{c_{1}+c_{2} \exp \left[(-1+\sqrt{1-4 \alpha}) \frac{\xi}{2}\right]+c_{3} \exp \left[-(1+\sqrt{1-4 \alpha}) \frac{\xi}{2}\right]}-
$$

If we set $c_{1}=0$ and $c_{3}= \pm c_{2}$, we have the following solitary wave solutions

$$
\begin{equation*}
u_{1}(x, t)=-\frac{1}{2}\left\{1-\sqrt{1-4 \alpha} \tanh \left[\frac{\sqrt{1-4 \alpha}}{2}(x+t)\right]\right\} \tag{21}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
u_{2}(x, t)=-\frac{1}{2}\left\{1-\sqrt{1-4 \alpha} \operatorname{coth}\left[\frac{\sqrt{1-4 \alpha}}{2}(x+t)\right]\right\} . \tag{22}
\end{equation*}
$$

Case 2. If $A_{0}=0, A_{1}=2$.

In this case, equations (11) and (12), respectively, reduce to

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi^{\prime \prime \prime}-c \psi^{\prime \prime}+\alpha \psi^{\prime}=0 \tag{23}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi^{\prime}\left((c+2) \psi^{\prime}+3 \psi^{\prime \prime}\right)=0 . \tag{24}
\end{equation*}
$$

Since $\psi^{\prime} \neq 0$, we deduce from (23) and (24) that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi^{\prime \prime \prime} / \psi^{\prime \prime}=\frac{c^{2}+2 c+3 \alpha}{c+2}, \quad c \neq-2 \tag{25}
\end{equation*}
$$

Integrating (25) yields

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi^{\prime \prime}=c_{1} \exp \left[\left(\frac{c^{2}+2 c+3 \alpha}{c+2}\right) \xi\right] \tag{26}
\end{equation*}
$$

From (24) and (26) we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi^{\prime}=\frac{-3 c_{1}}{c+2} \exp \left[\left(\frac{c^{2}+2 c+3 \alpha}{c+2}\right) \xi\right] \tag{27}
\end{equation*}
$$

and consequently,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi=c_{2}-\frac{3 c_{1}}{c^{2}+2 c+3 \alpha} \exp \left[\left(\frac{c^{2}+2 c+3 \alpha}{c+2}\right) \xi\right], \tag{28}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $c_{1}$ and $c_{2}$ are constants of integration. Now, the exact wave solution of the equation (5) has the form:

$$
\begin{equation*}
u(x, t)=\frac{-6 c_{1}}{c+2}\left\{\frac{\exp \left[\left(\frac{c^{2}+2 c+3 \alpha}{c+2}\right)(x-c t)\right]}{c_{2}-\frac{3 c_{1}}{c^{2}+2 c+3 \alpha} \exp \left[\left(\frac{c^{2}+2 c+3 \alpha}{c+2}\right)(x-c t)\right]}\right\} \tag{29}
\end{equation*}
$$

If we set $c_{1}=\frac{c^{2}+2 c+3 \alpha}{3}$ and $c_{2}= \pm 1$ in (29) we have the following solitary wave solutions, respectively, as:

$$
\begin{equation*}
u_{1}(x, t)=\left(\frac{c^{2}+2 c+3 \alpha}{c+2}\right)\left\{1+\operatorname{coth}\left[\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{c^{2}+2 c+3 \alpha}{c+2}\right)(x-c t)\right]\right\}, \tag{30}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
u_{2}(x, t)=\left(\frac{c^{2}+2 c+3 \alpha}{c+2}\right)\left\{1+\tanh \left[\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{c^{2}+2 c+3 \alpha}{c+2}\right)(x-c t)\right]\right\} . \tag{31}
\end{equation*}
$$

Case 3. $A_{0}^{2}+A_{0}+\alpha=0, A_{1}=1$. In this case, equations (11) and (12), resprctively, reduce to

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi^{\prime \prime \prime}+\left(3 A_{0}-c\right) \psi^{\prime \prime}+\left(3 A_{0}^{2}+2 A_{0}+\alpha\right) \psi^{\prime}=0, \tag{32}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
(c+1) \psi^{\prime 2}=0 . \tag{33}
\end{equation*}
$$

Since $A_{0}^{2}+A_{0}+\alpha=0$, we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
3 A_{0}^{2}+2 A_{0}+\alpha=2 A_{0}^{2}+A_{0} . \tag{34}
\end{equation*}
$$

From equations (32), (33) and (34) we have $c=-1$ and

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi^{\prime \prime \prime}+\left(3 A_{0}+1\right) \psi^{\prime \prime}+A_{0}\left(2 A_{0}+1\right) \psi^{\prime}=0, \tag{35}
\end{equation*}
$$

which has the solution

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi=c_{1}+c_{2} \exp \left[-A_{0} \xi\right]+c_{3} \exp \left[-\left(2 A_{0}+1\right) \xi\right] \tag{36}
\end{equation*}
$$

Differentiating equation (36), we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi^{\prime}=-A_{0} c_{2} \exp \left[-A_{0} \xi\right]-\left(2 A_{0}+1\right) c_{3} \exp \left[-\left(2 A_{0}+1\right) \xi\right] \tag{37}
\end{equation*}
$$

Substituting equations (36) and (37) into (7), we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
u(\xi)=A_{0}-\frac{A_{0} c_{2} \exp \left[-A_{0} \xi\right]+\left(2 A_{0}+1\right) c_{3} \exp \left[-\left(2 A_{0}+1\right) \xi\right]}{c_{1}+c_{2} \exp \left[-A_{0} \xi\right]+c_{3} \exp \left[-\left(2 A_{0}+1\right) \xi\right]} . \tag{38}
\end{equation*}
$$

If we set $c_{1}=0$ and $c_{3}= \pm c_{2}$ in (38), we obtain the following solitary wave solutions, respectively, as:

$$
\begin{equation*}
u_{1}(x, t)=\frac{-\left(A_{0}+1\right)}{2}\left\{1-\tanh \left[\frac{1}{2}\left(A_{0}+1\right)(x+t)\right]\right\}, \tag{39}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
u_{2}(x, t)=\frac{-\left(A_{0}+1\right)}{2}\left\{1-\operatorname{coth}\left[\frac{1}{2}\left(A_{0}+1\right)(x+t)\right]\right\} . \tag{40}
\end{equation*}
$$

Case 4. $A_{0}^{2}+A_{0}+\alpha=0, \quad A_{1}=2$

In this case, equations (11) and (12), respectively, reduce to

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi^{\prime \prime \prime}+\left(3 A_{0}-c\right) \psi^{\prime \prime}+\left(3 A_{0}^{2}+2 A_{0}+\alpha\right) \psi^{\prime}=0 \tag{41}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi^{\prime}\left[\left(3 A_{0}+c+2\right) \psi^{\prime}+3 \psi^{\prime \prime}\right]=0 \tag{42}
\end{equation*}
$$

Since $\psi^{\prime} \neq 0$, we deduce from (41), (42) and using (34) that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi^{\prime \prime \prime} / \psi^{\prime \prime}=\frac{3 \alpha+c(c+2)}{3 A_{0}+c+2} . \tag{43}
\end{equation*}
$$

Integrating (43) yields

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi^{\prime \prime}=c_{1} \exp \left[\left(\frac{3 \alpha+c(c+2)}{3 A_{0}+c+2}\right) \xi\right] \tag{44}
\end{equation*}
$$

From (42) and (44) we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi^{\prime}=\frac{-3}{3 A_{0}+c+2} \psi^{\prime \prime}=\frac{-3 c_{1}}{3 A_{0}+c+2} \exp \left[\left(\frac{3 \alpha+c(c+2)}{3 A_{0}+c+2}\right) \xi\right], \tag{45}
\end{equation*}
$$

and consequently, we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi=c_{2}-\frac{3 c_{1}}{3 \alpha+c(c+2)} \exp \left[\left(\frac{3 \alpha+c(c+2)}{3 A_{0}+c+2}\right) \xi\right], \tag{46}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $c_{1}$ and $c_{3}$ are arbitrary constants of integration. Now, the exact wave solution of equation (5) has the form:

$$
\begin{align*}
u(x, t)= & A_{0} \\
& -\frac{6 c_{1}}{3 A_{0}+c+2}\left\{\frac{\exp \left[\left(\frac{3 \alpha+c(c+2)}{3 A_{0}+c+2}\right)(x-c t)\right]}{c_{2}-\left(\frac{3 c_{1}}{3 \alpha+c(c+2)}\right) \exp \left[\left(\frac{3 \alpha+c(c+2)}{3 A_{0}+c+2}\right)(x-c t)\right]}\right\}, \tag{47}
\end{align*}
$$

where $A_{0}=\frac{1}{2}(-1 \pm \sqrt{1-4 \alpha})$ and $\alpha \leq \frac{1}{4}$. If we set $c_{1}=\frac{3 \alpha+c(c+2)}{3}$ and $c_{2}= \pm 1$ in (47), we have respectively the following solitary wave solutions:

$$
\begin{align*}
u_{1}(x, t)= & A_{0} \\
& +\left(\frac{3 \alpha+c(c+2)}{3 A_{0}+c+2}\right)\left\{1+\operatorname{coth}\left[\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{3 \alpha+c(c+2)}{3 A_{0}+c+2}\right)(x-c t)\right]\right\},  \tag{48}\\
u_{2}(x, t)= & A_{0} \\
& +\left(\frac{3 \alpha+c(c+2)}{3 A_{0}+c+2}\right)\left\{1+\tanh \left[\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{3 \alpha+c(c+2)}{3 A_{0}+c+2}\right)(x-c t)\right]\right\} . \tag{49}
\end{align*}
$$

Example: 2. The (2+1)-Dimensional Cubic Nonlinear Klein-Gordon Equation
This equation is well known [Wang and Zhang (2007), Zayed (2011)] and has the form:

$$
\begin{equation*}
u_{x x}+u_{y y}-u_{t t}+\alpha u-\beta u^{3}=0, \tag{50}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\alpha$ and $\beta$ are nonzero constants. The solution of the equation (50) has been investigated using the multi-function expansion method [Wang and Zhang (2007)] and the ( $G^{\prime} / G$ ) expansion method [Zayed (2011)]. In this section we investigate the equation (50) by the modified simple equation method. To this end, we use the wave transformation

$$
\begin{equation*}
u(x, y, t)=u(\xi), \quad \xi=x+y-c t \tag{51}
\end{equation*}
$$

to reduce the equation (50) to the following ODE :

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left(2-c^{2}\right) u^{\prime \prime}+\alpha u-\beta u^{3}=0, \tag{52}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\left(2-c^{2}\right) \neq 0$. Balancing $u^{\prime \prime}$ with $u^{3}$ yields $N=1$. Consequently, the equation (52) has the formal solution (7). Substituting (7) - (9) into (52) and equating all the coefficients of $\psi^{0}, \psi^{-1}, \psi^{-2}, \psi^{-3}$ to zero, we, respectively, obtain

$$
\begin{align*}
& \psi^{0}: A_{0}\left(\alpha-\beta A_{0}^{2}\right)=0  \tag{53}\\
& \psi^{-1}: A_{1}\left(2-c^{2}\right) \psi^{\prime \prime \prime}+A_{1} \psi^{\prime}\left(\alpha-3 \beta A_{0}^{2}\right)=0  \tag{54}\\
& \psi^{-2}: 3 A_{1} \psi^{\prime}\left(\left(c^{2}-2\right) \psi^{\prime \prime}-\beta A_{0} A_{1} \psi^{\prime}\right)=0 \tag{55}
\end{align*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi^{-3}: A_{1} \psi^{\prime 3}\left(2\left(2-c^{2}\right)-\beta A_{1}^{2}\right)=0 . \tag{56}
\end{equation*}
$$

Since $A_{1} \neq 0$ and $\psi^{\prime} \neq 0$, we deduce from (53) and (56) that

$$
\begin{equation*}
A_{0}=0, \quad A_{0}= \pm \sqrt{\frac{\alpha}{\beta}}, \quad A_{1}= \pm \sqrt{\frac{2\left(2-c^{2}\right)}{\beta}} \tag{57}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\frac{\alpha}{\beta}>0$ and $\frac{2-c^{2}}{\beta}>0$.

Let us now discuss the following cases:
Case 1. $A_{0}=0, \quad A_{1}= \pm \sqrt{\frac{2\left(2-c^{2}\right)}{\beta}}$. In this case the equations (54) and (55) yield $\psi^{\prime}=0$. This case is rejected.

Case 2. $A_{0}= \pm \sqrt{\frac{\alpha}{\beta}}, \quad A_{1}= \pm \sqrt{\frac{2\left(2-c^{2}\right)}{\beta}}$. Since $\psi^{\prime} \neq 0$, we deduce from (54) and (55) that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left(2-c^{2}\right) \psi^{\prime \prime \prime}-2 \alpha \psi^{\prime}=0 \tag{58}
\end{equation*}
$$

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left(c^{2}-2\right) \psi^{\prime \prime}-\sqrt{2 \alpha\left(2-c^{2}\right)} \psi^{\prime}=0 \tag{59}
\end{equation*}
$$

From (58) and (59) we deduce that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi^{\prime \prime \prime} / \psi^{\prime \prime}=-\sqrt{\frac{2 \alpha}{2-c^{2}}} . \tag{60}
\end{equation*}
$$

Consequently, we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi^{\prime \prime}=c_{1} \exp \left[-\sqrt{\frac{2 \alpha}{2-c^{2}}} \xi\right] . \tag{61}
\end{equation*}
$$

From (59) and (61) we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi^{\prime}=-\sqrt{\frac{2-c^{2}}{2 \alpha}} \psi^{\prime \prime}=-c_{1} \sqrt{\frac{2-c^{2}}{2 \alpha}} \exp \left[-\sqrt{\frac{2 \alpha}{2-c^{2}}} \xi\right], \tag{62}
\end{equation*}
$$

and consequently, we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi=c_{2}+\frac{c_{1}\left(2-c^{2}\right)}{2 \alpha} \exp \left[-\sqrt{\frac{2 \alpha}{2-c^{2}}} \xi\right], \tag{63}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $c_{1}$ and $c_{2}$ are arbitrary constants of integration.

Now, the exact wave solution of the equation (50) has the form

$$
\begin{equation*}
u(\xi)= \pm \sqrt{\frac{\alpha}{\beta}} \mp \frac{\left(2-c^{2}\right)}{\sqrt{\alpha \beta}}\left\{\frac{c_{1} \exp \left[-\sqrt{\left(\frac{2 \alpha}{2-c^{2}}\right) \xi}\right.}{c_{2}+\frac{c_{1}\left(2-c^{2}\right)}{2 \alpha} \exp \left[-\sqrt{\left(\frac{2 \alpha}{2-c^{2}}\right)} \xi\right]}\right\} \tag{64}
\end{equation*}
$$

If we set $c_{1}=\frac{2 \alpha}{2-c^{2}}$ and $c_{2}= \pm 1$ in (64) we have, respectively, the following solitary wave solutions

$$
\begin{equation*}
u_{1}(x, y, t)= \pm \sqrt{\frac{\alpha}{\beta}} \tanh \left[\sqrt{\frac{\alpha}{2\left(2-c^{2}\right)}}(x+y-c t)\right], \tag{65}
\end{equation*}
$$

$$
\begin{equation*}
u_{2}(x, y, t)= \pm \sqrt{\frac{\alpha}{\beta}} \operatorname{coth}\left[\sqrt{\frac{\alpha}{2\left(2-c^{2}\right)}}(x+y-c t)\right] \tag{66}
\end{equation*}
$$

Example: 3. The (2+1)-Dimensional Nonlinear KP-BBM Equation

This equation is well known [Zayed and Al-Joudi (2010), Wazwaz (2008)] and has the form

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left(u_{t}+u_{x}-\alpha(u)_{x}^{2}-\beta u_{x x t}\right)_{x}+\gamma u_{y y}=0 \tag{67}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$ are nonzero constants. The solution of the equation (67) has been investigated using the auxiliary equation method [Zayed and Al-Joudi (2010)] and the extended tanh-function method [Wazwaz (2008)]. In this section we will solve the equation (67) by using the modified simple equation method. To this end, we use the wave transformation (51) to reduce the equation (67) to the following ODE:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left(-c u^{\prime}+u^{\prime}-\alpha\left(u^{2}\right)^{\prime}+c \beta u u^{\prime \prime \prime}\right)^{\prime}+\gamma u^{\prime \prime}=0 . \tag{68}
\end{equation*}
$$

By integrating the equation (68) twice with zero constants of integration, we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
(\gamma-c+1) u-\alpha u^{2}+c \beta u^{\prime \prime}=0 . \tag{69}
\end{equation*}
$$

Balancing $u^{\prime \prime}$ with $u^{2}$ yields $N=2$. Consequently, the equation (69) has the formal solution:

$$
\begin{equation*}
u(\xi)=A_{0}+A_{1}\left(\frac{\psi^{\prime}}{\psi}\right)+A_{2}\left(\frac{\psi^{\prime}}{\psi}\right)^{2} \tag{70}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $A_{0}, A_{1}$ and $A_{2}$ are constants to be determined such that $A_{2} \neq 0$ and $\psi^{\prime} \neq 0$. It is easy to see that

$$
\begin{equation*}
u^{\prime}(\xi)=A_{1}\left(\frac{\psi^{\prime \prime}}{\psi}-\frac{\psi^{\prime 2}}{\psi^{2}}\right)+2 A_{2}\left(\frac{\psi^{\prime} \psi^{\prime \prime}}{\psi^{2}}-\frac{\psi^{\prime 3}}{\psi^{3}}\right) \tag{71}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
u^{\prime \prime}(\xi)=A_{1}\left(\frac{\psi^{\prime \prime \prime}}{\psi}-\frac{3 \psi^{\prime} \psi^{\prime \prime}}{\psi^{2}}+\frac{2 \psi^{\prime 3}}{\psi^{3}}\right)+2 A_{2}\left(\frac{\psi^{\prime} \psi^{\prime \prime \prime}}{\psi^{2}}+\frac{\psi^{\prime \prime 2}}{\psi^{2}}-\frac{5 \psi^{\prime 2} \psi^{\prime \prime}}{\psi^{3}}+\frac{3 \psi^{\prime 4}}{\psi^{4}}\right) \tag{72}
\end{equation*}
$$

Substituting (70) and (72) into (69) and equating all the coefficients of $\psi^{0}, \psi^{-1}, \psi^{-2}, \psi^{-3}, \psi^{-4}$ to zero, we deduce, respectively, that

$$
\begin{align*}
& \psi^{0}:(\gamma+1-c) A_{0}-\alpha A_{0}^{2}=0,  \tag{73}\\
& \psi^{-1}: A_{1}\left[(\gamma+1-c) \psi^{\prime}-2 \alpha A_{0} \psi^{\prime}+c \beta \psi^{\prime \prime \prime}\right]=0,  \tag{74}\\
& \psi^{-2}:-\alpha A_{1}^{2} \psi^{\prime 2}+(\gamma+1-c) A_{2} \psi^{\prime 2}-2 \alpha A_{0} A_{2} \psi^{\prime 2}-3 c \beta A_{1} \psi^{\prime} \psi^{\prime \prime}+2 c \beta A_{2}\left[\psi^{\prime \prime 2}+\psi^{\prime} \psi^{\prime \prime \prime}\right]=0,  \tag{75}\\
& \psi^{-3}: 2 c \beta A_{1} \psi^{\prime 3}-2 \alpha A_{1} A_{2} \psi^{\prime 3}-10 c \beta A_{2} \psi^{\prime 2} \psi^{\prime \prime}=0, \tag{76}
\end{align*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi^{-4}: 6 c \beta A_{2} \psi^{\prime 4}-\alpha A_{2}^{2} \psi^{\prime 4}=0 \tag{77}
\end{equation*}
$$

From equations (73) and (77), we have the following results

$$
\begin{equation*}
A_{0}=0, \quad A_{0}=\frac{\gamma-c+1}{\alpha}, \quad A_{2}=\frac{6 c \beta}{\alpha}, \tag{78}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\gamma-c+1 \neq 0$.

Let us now discuss the following cases:
Case 1. $A_{0}=0$ and $A_{1}=0$, then $\psi^{\prime}=0$. This case is rejected.

Case 2. $A_{0}=0$ and $A_{1} \neq 0$, then we deduce from equations (74) - (76) that

$$
\begin{align*}
& (\gamma-c+1) \psi^{\prime}+c \beta \psi^{\prime \prime \prime}=0,  \tag{79}\\
& -\alpha A_{1}^{2} \psi^{\prime 2}+(\gamma-c+1) A_{2} \psi^{\prime 2}-3 c \beta A_{1} \psi^{\prime} \psi^{\prime \prime}+2 c \beta A_{2}\left(\psi^{\prime \prime 2}+\psi^{\prime} \psi^{\prime \prime \prime}\right)=0,  \tag{80}\\
& 2 c \beta A_{1} \psi^{\prime}-2 \alpha A_{1} A_{2} \psi^{\prime}-10 c \beta A_{2} \psi^{\prime \prime}=0 . \tag{81}
\end{align*}
$$

From (79) and (81), we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi^{\prime}=\frac{-c \beta \psi^{\prime \prime \prime}}{\gamma-c+1}=\frac{-6 c \beta \psi^{\prime \prime}}{\alpha A_{1}}, \tag{82}
\end{equation*}
$$

and consequently, we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi^{\prime \prime \prime} / \psi^{\prime \prime}=\frac{6(\gamma-c+1)}{\alpha A_{1}} \tag{83}
\end{equation*}
$$

Integrating (83), we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi^{\prime \prime}=c_{1} \exp \left[\frac{6(\gamma-c+1)}{\alpha A_{1}} \xi\right] \tag{84}
\end{equation*}
$$

and substituting from (84) into (82), we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi^{\prime}=\frac{-6 c \beta c_{1}}{\alpha A_{1}} \exp \left[\frac{6(\gamma-c+1)}{\alpha A_{1}} \xi\right] \tag{85}
\end{equation*}
$$

Integrating (85), we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi=c_{2}-\frac{c \beta}{\gamma-c+1} c_{1} \exp \left[\frac{6(\gamma-c+1)}{\alpha A_{1}} \xi\right] \tag{86}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $c_{1}$ and $c_{2}$ are arbitrary constants of integration. Substituting equation (82) into (80), we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
A_{1}= \pm \frac{6}{\alpha} \sqrt{-c \beta(\gamma-c+1)} \tag{87}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $c \beta(\gamma-c+1)<0$. Now, the exact wave solution of the equation (67) in this case has the form

$$
\begin{align*}
u(\xi)= & \frac{-6 c \beta c_{1}}{\alpha}\left\{\frac{\exp \left[ \pm \sqrt{\frac{-(\gamma-c+1)}{c \beta}} \xi\right]}{c_{2}-\frac{c \beta c_{1}}{\gamma-c+1} \exp \left[ \pm \sqrt{\frac{-(\gamma-c+1)}{c \beta}} \xi\right]}\right\} \\
& -\frac{6 c^{2} \beta^{2} c_{1}^{2}}{\alpha(\gamma-c+1)}\left\{\frac{\exp \left[ \pm \sqrt{\frac{-(\gamma-c+1)}{c \beta}} \xi\right]}{c_{2}-\frac{c \beta c_{1}}{\gamma-c+1} \exp \left[ \pm \sqrt{\frac{-(\gamma-c+1)}{c \beta}} \xi\right]}\right\} \tag{88}
\end{align*}
$$

If we set $c_{1}=\frac{\gamma-c+1}{c \beta}$ and $c_{2}= \pm 1$ in (88), we have the following solitary wave solutions:

$$
\begin{equation*}
u_{1}(x, y, t)=\frac{-3(\gamma-c+1)}{2 \alpha} \operatorname{csch}\left[\sqrt{\frac{-(\gamma-c+1)}{4 c \beta}}(x+y-c t)\right], \tag{89}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
u_{2}(x, y, t)=\frac{3(\gamma-c+1)}{2 \alpha} \sec h^{2}\left[\sqrt{\frac{-(\gamma-c+1)}{4 c \beta}}(x+y-c t)\right] . \tag{90}
\end{equation*}
$$

Case 3. $A_{0}=\frac{\gamma-c+1}{\alpha}$ and $A_{1}=0$, then $\psi^{\prime}=0$. This case is rejected.
Case 4. $A_{0}=\frac{\gamma-c+1}{\alpha}$ and $A_{1} \neq 0$, then we deduce from equations (74) - (76) that

$$
\begin{align*}
& -(\gamma-c+1) \psi^{\prime}+c \beta \psi^{\prime \prime \prime}=0,  \tag{91}\\
& -\alpha A_{1}^{2} \psi^{\prime 2}-\frac{6 c \beta(\gamma-c+1)}{\alpha} \psi^{\prime 2}-3 c \beta A_{1} \psi^{\prime} \psi^{\prime \prime}+\frac{12 c^{2} \beta^{2}}{\alpha}\left[\psi^{\prime \prime 2}+\psi^{\prime} \psi^{\prime \prime \prime}\right]=0,  \tag{92}\\
& \psi^{\prime 2}\left[A_{1} \psi^{\prime}+\frac{6 c \beta}{\alpha} \psi^{\prime \prime}\right]=0 \tag{93}
\end{align*}
$$

From equations (91) and (93), we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi^{\prime}=\frac{c \beta \psi^{\prime \prime \prime}}{\gamma-c+1}=\frac{-6 c \beta \psi^{\prime \prime}}{\alpha A_{1}} \tag{94}
\end{equation*}
$$

and consequently, we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi^{\prime \prime \prime} / \psi^{\prime \prime}=\frac{-6(\gamma-c+1)}{\alpha A_{1}} . \tag{95}
\end{equation*}
$$

Integrating the equation (95), we obtain

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi^{\prime \prime}=c_{1} \exp \left[\frac{-6(\gamma-c+1)}{\alpha A_{1}} \xi\right], \tag{96}
\end{equation*}
$$

and substituting the equation (96) into (94), we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi^{\prime}=\frac{-6 c \beta}{\alpha A_{1}} c_{1} \exp \left[\frac{-6(\gamma-c+1)}{\alpha A_{1}} \xi\right] . \tag{97}
\end{equation*}
$$

Integrating (97), we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi=c_{2}+\frac{c \beta}{\gamma-c+1} c_{1} \exp \left[\frac{-6(\gamma-c+1)}{\alpha A_{1}} \xi\right], \tag{98}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $c_{1}$ and $c_{2}$ are arbitrary constants of integration. Substituting the equation (94) into (92), we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
A_{1}= \pm \frac{6}{\alpha} \sqrt{c \beta(\gamma-c+1)} \tag{99}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $c \beta(\gamma-c+1)>0$. Now, the exact wave solution of the equation (67) in this case has the form

$$
\begin{align*}
u(\xi)=\frac{\gamma-c+1}{\alpha}- & \frac{6 c \beta c_{1}}{\alpha}\left\{\frac{\exp \left[\mp \sqrt{\frac{\gamma-c+1}{c \beta}} \xi\right]}{c_{2}+\frac{c \beta c_{1}}{\gamma-c+1} \exp \left[\mp \sqrt{\frac{\gamma-c+1}{c \beta}} \xi\right]}\right\}  \tag{100}\\
& +\frac{6 c^{2} \beta^{2} c_{1}^{2}}{\alpha(\gamma-c+1)}\left\{\frac{\exp \left[\mp \sqrt{\frac{\gamma-c+1}{c \beta}} \xi\right]}{c_{2}+\frac{c \beta c_{1}}{\gamma-c+1} \exp \left[\mp \sqrt{\frac{\gamma-c+1}{c \beta}} \xi\right]}\right\}
\end{align*}
$$

If we set $c_{1}=\frac{\gamma-c+1}{c \beta}$ and $c_{2}= \pm 1$ in the equation (100), we have respectively the following solitary wave solutions:

$$
\begin{equation*}
u_{1}(x, y, t)=\frac{\gamma-c+1}{\alpha}\left\{1-\frac{3}{2} \operatorname{sech}^{2}\left[\sqrt{\frac{\gamma-c+1}{4 c \beta}}(x+y-c t)\right]\right\}, \tag{101}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
u_{2}(x, y, t)=\frac{\gamma-c+1}{\alpha}\left\{1+\frac{3}{2} \csc ^{2}\left[\sqrt{\frac{\gamma-c+1}{4 c \beta}}(x+y-c t)\right]\right\} . \tag{102}
\end{equation*}
$$

## 4. Conclusions

In this article, we have applied the modified simple equation method to find the exact solutions
of the (1+1)-dimensional nonlinear Burgers-Huxley equation, the (2+1)-dimensional cubic nonlinear Klein - Gordon equation and the (2+1)-dimensional nonlinear KP-BBM equation which play an important role in the mathematical physics.

On comparing our results of these equations using the modified simple equation method with the well- known results from other methods, we conclude that our results are different, new and not published elsewhere. Furthermore, the proposed method in this article is effective and can be applied to many other nonlinear partial differential equations.

Finally, the physical meaning of our new results in this article can be summarized as follows: The solutions (21), (31), (39), (49) and (65) represent the kink shaped solitary wave solutions, while the solutions (90) and (101) represent the bell shaped solitary wave solutions, (see also Figures 1-4).

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## FIGURES



Figure 1. The plot of the solution (21), when $\alpha=-12$


Figure 2. The plot of the solution (22), when $\alpha=-12$


Figure 3. The plot of the solution (89), when $\alpha=2, \beta=-9, \gamma=4, c=1, y=0$


Figure 4. The plot of the solution (90), when $\alpha=2, \beta=-9, \gamma=4, c=1, y=0$

