

A type of the travelling wave solutions of higher-order Camassa-Holm equations

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Abstract

This paper researches the wave equation of higher-order Camassa-Holm equations, the general expression of a type of travelling wave solutions is obtained.

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1. Introduction

In 2003, Adrian Constantin and Boris Kolev first got the higher-order Camassa-Holm equations^[1]. Its concrete form is as follows:

$$\partial_t u = B_k(u, u), \tag{1}$$

where $k \in \{0\} \cup N$,

$$B_k(u, u) := A_k^{-1} C_k(u) - u \partial_x u,$$

$$A_k(u) := \sum_{j=0}^k (-1)^j \partial_x^{2j} u,$$

$$C_k(u) := -u A_k(\partial_x u) + A_k(u \partial_x u) - 2 \partial_x u A_k(u)$$

In 2009, G.M.Coclite, H. Holden and K.H.Karlsen first researched the global Well-Posedness of the higher-order Camassa-Holm equations, and Got a weak solution^[2].

In 2010, Dingdanping, Lypeng researched the existence of global solutions to the higher-order Camassa-Holm equations. Global solution is constructed by the

small viscosity method for the frequency localized equations, especially global solution is energy conservative for given finite band initial data^[3].

The structure of the paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, the formal solutions of higher-order C-H equations are obtained, In Section 3, Energy Conservation of the formal solutions is discussed. In Section 4, a type of travelling wave solutions are given.

2. The formal solution

According to the equation (1), we have

$$\sum_{j=0}^k (-1)^j [\partial_x^{2j}(\partial_t u) + u \partial_x^{2j}(\partial_x u) + 2 \partial_x u \partial_x^{2j} u] = 0 \tag{2}$$

Let $u = \varphi(\xi) = \varphi(x - ct)$, the travelling wave equation of (2) is

$$\sum_{j=0}^k (-1)^j [(-c\varphi')^{(2j)} + \varphi(\varphi')^{(2j)} + 2\varphi'\varphi^{(2j)}] = 0 \tag{3}$$

After twice-integration of equation (3), it was differentiated to yield

$$\begin{aligned} &\varphi'(\varphi^{(2k)} - \varphi^{(2k-2)} + \varphi^{(2k-4)} - \dots \\ &\quad - (-1)^k \varphi'' + (-1)^k \varphi) = 0, \end{aligned}$$

if $\varphi' = 0$, then $u = a$ (a is an arbitrary real number), otherwise,

$$\varphi^{(2k)} - \varphi^{(2k-2)} + \dots - (-1)^k \varphi'' + (-1)^k \varphi = 0. \quad (4)$$

Equation (4) is ODE, when $k = 0$, the solution is $u = a$ (a is an arbitrary real number). For $k \geq 1$, its characteristic equation is

$$r^{2k} - r^{2k-2} + r^{2k-4} - \dots - (-1)^k r^2 + (-1)^k = 0. \quad (5)$$

According to references [4-6], the roots of (5) have the form as follows:

$$r_i = \pm \alpha_i \pm i \beta_i,$$

where $\|r_i\| = \sqrt{\alpha_i^2 + \beta_i^2} = 1, \alpha_i > 0, \beta_i > 0$, and when k is even, $i = 1, 2, \dots, \frac{k}{2}$, when k is odd, $i = 1, 2, \dots, \frac{k+1}{2}$.

So when k is even, the formal solution of (2) is

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{i=1}^{k/2} \left[e^{\alpha_i(x-ct)} (c_{i1} \cos \beta_i(x-ct) + c_{i2} \sin \beta_i(x-ct)) + e^{-\alpha_i(x-ct)} (c_{i3} \cos \beta_i(x-ct) + c_{i4} \sin \beta_i(x-ct)) \right]$$

where $c_{i1}, c_{i2}, c_{i3}, c_{i4}$ are coefficients,

when k is odd, the formal solution of (2) is

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{i=1}^{(k+1)/2} \left[e^{\alpha_i(x-ct)} (c_{i1} \cos \beta_i(x-ct) + c_{i2} \sin \beta_i(x-ct)) + e^{-\alpha_i(x-ct)} (c_{i3} \cos \beta_i(x-ct) + c_{i4} \sin \beta_i(x-ct)) \right]$$

where $c_{i1}, c_{i2}, c_{i3}, c_{i4}$ are coefficients.

3. Energy Conservation

According to attenuation of the travelling wave solutions, the formal solution can be reduced to

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{i=1}^{k/2} e^{-|\alpha_i(x-ct)|} \left[c_{i1} \cos \beta_i(x-ct) + c_{i2} \sin \beta_i(x-ct) \right] \quad (k \text{ is even}),$$

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{i=1}^{(k+1)/2} e^{-|\alpha_i(x-ct)|} \left[c_{i1} \cos \beta_i(x-ct) + c_{i2} \sin \beta_i(x-ct) \right] \quad (k \text{ is odd}).$$

if $u(x, t)$ obeys conservation of energy while k is even, then when k is odd, the same conclusion can be obtained.

$$\text{Let } I(t) = \int_R u^2 + (\partial_x u)^2 + \dots + (\partial_x^k u)^2 dx,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{then } \frac{dI(t)}{dt} &= \sum_{l=0}^k \int_R \partial_x^l u \partial_x^l (\partial_t u) dx \quad (\partial_t u = -c \partial_x u) \\ &= -c \cdot \sum_{l=0}^k \int_R \partial_x^l u \partial_x^{l+1} u dx, \end{aligned}$$

if $u(x, t)$ satisfies the condition of

$\frac{dI(t)}{dt} = 0$ in a certain assumptions, a type of travelling wave solutions can be obtained. So two independent assumed conditions are given.

3.1. $c_{i2} = 0$

when k is even ($k \neq 0$), then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{ct} \partial_x^l u \partial_x^{l+1} u dx \\ = \sum_{\substack{1 \leq i, j \leq \frac{k}{2} \\ i \neq j}} c_{i1} c_{j1} \int_{-\infty}^{ct} e^{(\alpha_i + \alpha_j)(x-ct)} \cos(l\theta_{i1} + \beta_i(x-ct)) \cdot \\ \cos(\theta_{j1} + l\theta_{j1} + \beta_j(x-ct)) dx, \end{aligned}$$

where $\cos\theta_{i1} = a_i, \sin\theta_{i1} = \beta_i, l=0,1,2,\dots,k$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{-\infty}^{ct} e^{(\alpha_i + \alpha_j)(x-ct)} \cos(l\theta_{i1} + \beta_i(x-ct)) \cdot \\ & \quad \cos(\theta_{j1} + l\theta_{j1} + \beta_j(x-ct)) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \cos(l\theta_{i1} + \theta_{j1} + l\theta_{j1}) \frac{\alpha_i + \alpha_j}{(\alpha_i + \alpha_j)^2 + (\beta_i + \beta_j)^2} \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \sin(l\theta_{i1} + \theta_{j1} + l\theta_{j1}) \frac{(\beta_i + \beta_j)}{(\alpha_i + \alpha_j)^2 + (\beta_i + \beta_j)^2} \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \cos(l\theta_{i1} - \theta_{j1} - l\theta_{j1}) \frac{\alpha_i + \alpha_j}{(\alpha_i + \alpha_j)^2 + (\beta_i - \beta_j)^2} \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \sin(l\theta_{i1} - \theta_{j1} - l\theta_{j1}) \frac{(\beta_i - \beta_j)}{(\alpha_i + \alpha_j)^2 + (\beta_i - \beta_j)^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{ct}^{+\infty} \partial_x^l u \partial_x^{l+1} u dx \\ &= \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq \frac{k}{2}} c_{i1} c_{j1} \int_{ct}^{+\infty} e^{-(\alpha_i + \alpha_j)(x-ct)} \cos(l\theta_{i2} + \beta_i(x-ct)) \cdot \end{aligned}$$

$$\cos(\theta_{j2} + l\theta_{j2} + \beta_j(x-ct)) dx,$$

where $\cos\theta_{i2} = -a_i, \sin\theta_{i2} = \beta_i, \theta_{i2} = \pi - \theta_{i1}$.

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{ct}^{+\infty} e^{-(\alpha_i + \alpha_j)(x-ct)} \cos(l\theta_{i2} + \beta_i(x-ct)) \cdot \\ & \quad \cos(\theta_{j2} + l\theta_{j2} + \beta_j(x-ct)) dx \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \cos(l\theta_{i1} + \theta_{j1} + l\theta_{j1}) \frac{\alpha_i + \alpha_j}{(\alpha_i + \alpha_j)^2 + (\beta_i + \beta_j)^2} \\ &- \frac{1}{2} \sin(l\theta_{i1} + \theta_{j1} + l\theta_{j1}) \frac{(\beta_i + \beta_j)}{(\alpha_i + \alpha_j)^2 + (\beta_i + \beta_j)^2} \\ &- \frac{1}{2} \cos(l\theta_{i1} - \theta_{j1} - l\theta_{j1}) \frac{\alpha_i + \alpha_j}{(\alpha_i + \alpha_j)^2 + (\beta_i - \beta_j)^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$-\frac{1}{2} \sin(l\theta_{i1} - \theta_{j1} - l\theta_{j1}) \frac{(\beta_i - \beta_j)}{(\alpha_i + \alpha_j)^2 + (\beta_i - \beta_j)^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{then } \int_R \partial_x^l u \partial_x^{l+1} u dx \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{ct} \partial_x^l u \partial_x^{l+1} u dx + \int_{ct}^{+\infty} \partial_x^l u \partial_x^{l+1} u dx \\ &= \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq \frac{k}{2}} c_{i1} c_{j1} \cdot 0 \\ &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{then } \frac{dI(t)}{dt} = -c \cdot \sum_{l=0}^k \int_R \partial_x^l u \partial_x^{l+1} u dx = 0.$$

So when k is even, $u(x, t)$ obeys conservation of energy. the same conclusion is obtained while k is odd.

3.2. $c_{i1} = 0$

In this case, the same method is used to proof that the formal solution is also obeys conservation of energy.

4. Conclusions

A type of the travelling wave solutions of higher-order Camassa-Holm equations is as follows:

when k is even,

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{i=1}^{k/2} c_i e^{-|\alpha_i(x-ct)|} \cos \beta_i(x-ct),$$

$$\text{or } u(x, t) = \sum_{i=1}^{k/2} c_i e^{-|\alpha_i(x-ct)|} \sin \beta_i(x-ct);$$

when k is odd,

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{i=1}^{(k+1)/2} c_i e^{-|\alpha_i(x-ct)|} \cos \beta_i(x-ct),$$

or

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{i=1}^{(k+1)/2} c_i e^{-|\alpha_i(x-ct)|} \sin \beta_i(x-ct),$$

where c_i is an arbitrary real number, $\alpha_i > 0$ and $\beta_i > 0$, they are determined by the following equation:

$$r^{2k} - r^{2k-2} + r^{2k-4} - \dots - (-1)^k r^2 + (-1)^k = 0.$$

The solution of this equation is

$r_i = \pm \alpha_i \pm i \beta_i (\alpha_i^2 + \beta_i^2 = 1)$, when k is even, the subscript $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, \frac{k}{2}$, when

k is odd, the subscript $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, \frac{k+1}{2}$ and $r_{(k+1)/2} = \pm \alpha_{(k+1)/2} \pm \beta_{(k+1)/2} = \pm 1$.

Moreover, when $k=1$, the travelling wave solution is $u(x,t) = c_1 e^{-|x-ct|}$ (c_1 is an arbitrary real number). It is the soliton solution^[7] of Camassa-Holm equation which is obtained by Camassa and Holm.

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