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Fractional-order modeling: Analysis of foam drainage and Fisher's equations

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Abstract: In this study, we use a dual technique that combines the Laplace residual power series method (LRPSM) and the new iteration method, both of which are combined with the Caputo operator. Our primary goal is to solve two unique but difficult partial differential equations: the foam drainage equation and the nonlinear time-fractional Fisher's equation. These equations, which are crucial in modeling complex processes, confront analytical complications, owing to their fractional derivatives and nonlinear behavior. We develop exact and efficient solutions by merging these unique methodologies, which are supported by thorough figures and tables that demonstrate the precision and trustworthiness of our methodology. We not only shed light on the solutions to these equations, but also demonstrate the prowess of the LRPSM and the new iteration method as powerful tools for grappling with complex mathematical and physical models, significantly contributing to advancements in various scientific domains.

Keywords: foam drainage equation, nonlinear time-fractional Fisher's equation, Laplace residual power series method, new iteration method, Caputo operator, fractional order differential equation

1 Introduction

Most physical events and problems in science are nonlinear. Finding accurate analytical answers to such issues is challenging, with just a small number of exceptions. So, many have tried to develop novel methods of obtaining analytical answers that are relatively close to the precise solutions [1]. Hirota's bilinear method [2], the homogeneous balance method [3,4], the inverse scattering method [5], Adomian's decomposition method (ADM) [6,7], the variational iteration method [8,9], the d-expansion method [10–12], and the homotopy analysis method (HAM) have all gained significant attention in recent years. To begin, in 1992, Liao proposed a broad analytic technique for nonlinear problems using the fundamental principle of homotopy from topology [13–16]. Then, the HAM was used to resolve a wide variety of nonlinear problems [17–22].

The foam drainage equation is given as:

$$\frac{\partial \psi(v, \sigma)}{\partial \sigma} = \frac{\partial}{\partial v} \left(\psi^2(v, \sigma) - \frac{\sqrt{\psi(v, \sigma)}}{2} \frac{\partial \psi(v, \sigma)}{\partial v} \right), \quad (1)$$

where v and σ are the scaled position and time coordinates, respectively, and the initial condition is as follows:

$$\psi(v, \sigma) = p(v). \quad (2)$$

Numerous everyday activities, both natural and man-made, depend on foam. Foam has attracted a lot of attention in academic studies because of their uses; thus, both scientists and everyday individuals are highly familiar with them [23–25]. Foods and personal care items such as creams and lotions often include foams. Cleaning and scrubbing textiles often produce foam [26]. They have significant uses in the chemical and food sectors, as well as in the processing of minerals, combating fires, and structural material sciences [27].

Fisher introduced the Fisher–Kolmogorov–Petrovsky–Piskunov (Fisher-KPP) equation [28] before renaming it Fisher equation. Fractional equations have numerous applications in the engineering and scientific communities [29–32]. Important generalizations of this equation were studied by the researchers [33–35]. Numerous reaction–diffusion equations use wavefronts

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to explain chemical, physical, and biological phenomena [36,37]. Population dynamics in advective environments [38] are characterized by the Fisher-KPP advection equation. The nonlinear partial Fisher equation is given as:

$$\frac{\partial \psi(v, \sigma)}{\partial \sigma} = \frac{\partial^2 \psi(v, \sigma)}{\partial v^2} + \psi(v, \sigma)(1 - \psi(v, \sigma)). \quad (3)$$

As a model for gene selection, Fisher presented Eq. (3), where $\psi(v, \sigma)$ denotes the population density. Autocatalytic chemistry, nuclear reactor theory, flame dynamics, neurophysiology, and Brownian motion all use the same equation. The Fisher equation is often used in engineering and is hence considered a significant equation.

The Laplace residual power series method (LRPSM) and new iterative method (NIM) are used to solve these equations in this study. A complex mathematical method for solving variable coefficient ordinary differential equations (ODEs) and partial differential equations (PDEs) is the LRPSM [42–45]. This method uses the Laplace transform (LT) and power series approaches to solve a class of ODEs and PDEs that are difficult to solve using normal methods. Translating complex and nonlinear differential equations into a LT form and extending the expression into a power series allow for the systematic solution estimation. In circumstances when direct analytical solutions are unavailable, LRPSM helps researchers and professionals gain deeper insights into a broad variety of dynamic systems across varied areas [46–48].

The invention of an iterative technique for fractional partial differential equations advances mathematical analysis and problem resolution. When solving fractional derivative partial differential equations, traditional methods often struggle with convergence and processing complexity. This innovative iterative technique refines approximation solutions to improve accuracy while maintaining computational economy to overcome these limits. This approach may provide improved answers for complex mathematical and physical phenomena by iteration to fractional derivative features [49–51]. It helps us model and understand complicated fractional partial differential equation-governed systems in physics, engineering, and applied mathematics. The LRPSM and NIM are effective methods for solving fractional differential equations, providing immediate and visible symbolic terms and numerically approximate solutions without linearization or discretization. This study aimed to solve the foam drainage problem and the nonlinear time-fractional Fisher's equation using LRPSM and NIM and compare their performance. The reader should

know that these two strategies have solved many nonlinear fractional differential problems.

2 Basic definitions

2.1 Definition

The derivative of a function of order p that is not an integer is defined by the Caputo [39]:

$${}^C D_\sigma^m \psi(v, \sigma) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(m-p)} \int_0^\sigma (\sigma - \vartheta)^{m-p-1} \psi^{(m)}(v, \vartheta) d\vartheta, \quad (4)$$

$m-1 < \alpha \leq m, \quad t > 0.$

2.2 Definition

The expression for the noninteger Riemann integral is given in the study of El-Tantawy *et al.* [40] as:

$$\mathfrak{R}_\sigma^p \psi(v, \sigma) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(p)} \int_0^\sigma (\sigma - \vartheta)^{p-1} \psi(v, \vartheta) d\vartheta. \quad (5)$$

2.3 Definition

The LT of $\psi(v, \sigma)$ is presented in the study of El-Ajou [39]:

$$\psi(\zeta, s) = \mathcal{L}_\sigma[\psi(v, \sigma)] = \int_0^\infty e^{-s\sigma} \psi(v, \tau) d\sigma, \quad s > p. \quad (6)$$

The following is the definition for the inverse LT:

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(v, \sigma) &= \mathcal{L}_\sigma^{-1}[\psi(v, s)] \\ &= \int_{b-i\infty}^{b+i\infty} e^{s\sigma} \psi(v, s) ds, \quad b = \operatorname{Re}(s) > b_0. \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

2.4 Lemma

For $n-1 < k \leq n$, $\zeta > -1$, $\rho \geq 0$, and $\omega \in R$, we have:

- (1) $D_\sigma^k \sigma^\omega = \frac{\Gamma(k+1)}{\Gamma(\omega-k+1)} \sigma^{\omega-k}$,
- (2) $D_\sigma^k \rho = 0$,
- (3) $D_\sigma^k \mathfrak{R}_\sigma^k \psi(v, \sigma) = \psi(v, \sigma)$,
- (4) $\mathfrak{R}_\sigma^k D_\sigma^k \psi(v, \sigma) = \psi(v, \sigma) - \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \partial^i \psi(v, 0) \frac{\sigma^i}{i!}$.

3 Road map of the proposed methods

3.1 General procedure of LRPSTM

Take into account the fractional-order partial differential equation:

$$D_\sigma^p \psi(v, \sigma) + N[\psi(v, \sigma)] + R[\psi(v, \sigma)] = 0, \quad (8)$$

where $0 < p \leq 1$,

subject to initial condition:

$$\psi(v, 0) = f_0(v), \quad (9)$$

where $N[\psi(v, \sigma)]$ denotes a nonlinear operator, whereas $R[\psi(v, \sigma)]$ constitutes the linear component.

Upon using the LT on Eq. (8) and incorporating Eq. (9), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(v, s) - \frac{f_0(v, s)}{s} + \frac{1}{s^p} \mathcal{L}_\sigma[N[\mathcal{L}_\sigma^{-1}[\psi(v, s)]]] \\ + \frac{1}{s^p} R[\psi(v, s)] = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

Let Eq. (11) be the solution to Eq. (10):

$$\psi(v, s) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f_n(v, s)}{s^{np+1}}, \quad (11)$$

and the k th-truncated term series are

$$\psi(v, s) = \frac{f_0(v, s)}{s} + \sum_{n=1}^k \frac{f_n(v, s)}{s^{np+1}}, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots \quad (12)$$

The Laplace residual functions (LRFs) [41] are

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_\sigma \text{Res}(v, s) = \psi(v, s) - \frac{f_0(v, s)}{s} \\ + \frac{1}{s^p} \mathcal{L}_\sigma[N[\mathcal{L}_\sigma^{-1}[\psi(v, s)]]] \\ + \frac{1}{s^p} R[\psi(v, s)], \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

and the k th-LRFs are as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_\sigma \text{Res}_k(v, s) = \psi_k(v, s) - \frac{f_0(v, s)}{s} \\ + \frac{1}{s^p} \mathcal{L}_\sigma[N[\mathcal{L}_\sigma^{-1}[\psi_k(v, s)]]] \\ + \frac{1}{s^p} R[\psi_k(v, s)]. \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

The following LRPSTM characteristics are listed in order to emphasize various aspects:

- $\mathcal{L}_\sigma \text{Res}(v, s) = 0$ and $\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{L}_\sigma \text{Res}_k(v, s) = \mathcal{L}_\sigma \text{Res}_v(v, s)$ for each $s > 0$.

- $\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s \mathcal{L}_\sigma \text{Res}_v(v, s) = 0 \Rightarrow \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s \mathcal{L}_\sigma \text{Res}_{v,k}(v, s) = 0$.
- $\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s^{kp+1} \mathcal{L}_\sigma \text{Res}_{v,k}(v, s) = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s^{kp+1} \mathcal{L}_\sigma \text{Res}_{v,k}(v, s) = 0$,
 $0 < p \leq 1, k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$.

The following system is recursively solved to obtain the coefficients using $f_n(v, s)$:

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s^{kp+1} \mathcal{L}_\sigma \text{Res}_{v,k}(v, s) = 0, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots \quad (15)$$

Finally, apply the inverse LT to Eq. (11) to obtain the k th analytical result of $\psi_k(v, \sigma)$.

3.2 Analysis of NIM

To grasp the fundamental concept of the novel iterative technique, we consider the general functional equation:

$$\psi(v) = f(v) + N(\psi(v)), \quad (16)$$

where N represents a nonlinear operator mapping from a Banach space B to B and f denotes an unknown function; our pursuit has been focused on finding a solution to (16) that takes the form of a series:

$$\psi(v) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \psi_i(v). \quad (17)$$

The nonlinear term can be decomposed as:

$$\begin{aligned} N\left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \psi_i(v)\right) = N(\psi_0(v)) + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \\ \times \left[N\left(\sum_{j=0}^i \psi_j(v)\right) - N\left(\sum_{j=0}^{i-1} \psi_j(v)\right) \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

From (16), (17), and (18), it is equivalent to:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \psi_i(v) = f(v) + N(\psi_0(v)) + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \\ \times \left[N\left(\sum_{j=0}^i \psi_j(v)\right) - N\left(\sum_{j=0}^{i-1} \psi_j(v)\right) \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

The recurrence relation is defined as:

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_0(v) &= f(v), \\ \psi_1(v) &= N(\psi_0(v)), \\ \psi_2(v) &= N(\psi_0(v) + \psi_1(v)) - N(\psi_0(v)), \\ \psi_{n+1}(v) &= N(\psi_0(v) + \psi_1(v) + \dots + \psi_n(v)) \\ &\quad - N(\psi_0(v) + \psi_1(v) + \dots + \psi_{n-1}(v)), \\ n &= 1, 2, 3, \dots \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} & (\psi_0(v) + \psi_1(v) + \cdots + \psi_n(v)) \\ &= N(\psi_0(v) + \psi_1(v) + \cdots + \psi_n(v)), \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots, \\ & \psi(v) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \psi_i(v) = f(v) + N\left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \psi_i(v)\right). \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

$$\psi(v, \sigma) = \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{2} \tanh\left(\frac{15\sigma}{8} - \frac{3v}{4}\right) + \frac{1}{2}}.$$

Applying LT to Eq. (27) and making use of Eq. (28), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(v, s) - \frac{\frac{1}{\left[1+e^{\frac{3v}{2}}\right]^{\frac{1}{3}}}}{s} - \frac{1}{s^p} \frac{\partial^2 \psi(v, s)}{\partial v^2} \\ - \frac{1}{s^p} \psi(v, s) + \frac{1}{s^p} \mathcal{L}_\sigma[(\mathcal{L}_\sigma^{-1}[\psi(v, s)])^7] = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (29)$$

and so the k th-truncated term series are as follows:

$$\psi(v, s) = \frac{\frac{1}{\left[1+e^{\frac{3v}{2}}\right]^{\frac{1}{3}}}}{s} + \sum_{r=1}^k \frac{f_r(v, s)}{s^{rp+1}}, \quad r = 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots \quad (30)$$

LRFs [41] are as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_\sigma \text{Res}(v, s) = \psi(v, s) - \frac{\frac{1}{\left[1+e^{\frac{3v}{2}}\right]^{\frac{1}{3}}}}{s} \\ - \frac{1}{s^p} \frac{\partial^2 \psi(v, s)}{\partial v^2} - \frac{1}{s^p} \psi(v, s) \\ + \frac{1}{s^p} \mathcal{L}_\sigma[(\mathcal{L}_\sigma^{-1}[\psi(v, s)])^1] = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

and the k th-LRFs are as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_\sigma \text{Res}_k(v, s) = \psi_k(v, s) - \frac{\frac{1}{\left[1+e^{\frac{3v}{2}}\right]^{\frac{1}{3}}}}{s} - \frac{1}{s^p} \frac{\partial^2 \psi_k(v, s)}{\partial v^2} \\ - \frac{1}{s^p} \psi_k(v, s) + \frac{1}{s^p} \mathcal{L}_\sigma[(\mathcal{L}_\sigma^{-1}[\psi_k(v, s)])^7] \\ = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

Now, to determine $f_r(v, s)$, $r = 1, 2, 3, \dots$, we substitute the r th-truncated series Eq. (30) into the r th-LRF Eq. (32), multiply the resulting equation by s^{rp+1} , and then solve recursively the relation $\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} (s^{rp+1} \mathcal{L}_\sigma \text{Res}_{\psi,r}(v, s)) = 0$, $r = 1, 2, 3, \dots$. Following are the first few terms:

$$f_1(v, s) = \frac{5e^{\frac{3v}{2}}}{4\left(e^{\frac{3v}{2}} + 1\right)^{4/3}}, \quad (33)$$

$$f_2(v, s) = \frac{25e^{3v} - 75e^{\frac{3v}{2}}}{16\left(e^{\frac{3v}{2}} + 1\right)^{7/3}}, \quad (34)$$

and so on.

3.2.1 Basic road map of NIM

Here, we will explore the basics of using the NIM to solve fractional-order nonlinear partial differential equations. Take a look at the following equation for a partial differential in the fractional order:

$$D_\sigma^p \psi(v, \sigma) = A(\psi, \partial\psi) + \sigma(x, t), \quad m-1 < p \leq m, \quad m \in \mathbb{N}, \quad (22)$$

$$\frac{\partial^k}{\partial t^k} \psi(v, 0) = h_k(v), \quad k = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, m-1, \quad (23)$$

where A is nonlinear function of ψ and $\partial\psi$ (partial derivative of ψ with respect to v and σ) and B is the source function. In view of the NIM, the intimal value problems (22) and (23) are equivalent to the integral equation:

$$\psi(v, \sigma) = \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} h_k(v) \frac{t^k}{k!} + \mathfrak{R}_\sigma^p(A) + \mathfrak{R}_\sigma^p(\sigma) = f + N(\psi), \quad (24)$$

where

$$f = \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} h_k(v) \frac{\sigma^k}{k!} + \mathfrak{R}_\sigma^p(\sigma), \quad (25)$$

$$N(\psi) = \mathfrak{R}_\sigma^p(A). \quad (26)$$

Problem 1

Consider the time-fractional Fisher's equation is given as:

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$$\begin{aligned} D_\sigma^p \psi(v, \sigma) - \frac{\partial^2 \psi(v, \sigma)}{\partial v^2} - \psi(v, \sigma) + \psi^7(v, \sigma) \\ = 0, \quad \text{where } 0 < p \leq 1. \end{aligned} \quad (27)$$

Subjected to the following ICs:

$$\psi(v, 0) = \frac{1}{\left(1 + e^{\frac{3v}{2}}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}}, \quad (28)$$

having the exact solution:

Putting the values of $f_r(v, s)$, $r = 1, 2, 3, \dots$, in Eq. (30), we obtain

$$\psi(v, s) = \frac{1}{s} \left(\frac{1}{\left(1 + e^{\frac{3v}{2}}\right)^{1/3}} \right) + \frac{1}{s^{p+1}} \left(\frac{5e^{\frac{3v}{2}}}{4\left(e^{\frac{3v}{2}} + 1\right)^{4/3}} \right) + \frac{1}{s^{2p+1}} \left(\frac{25e^{3v} - 75e^{\frac{3v}{2}}}{16\left(e^{\frac{3v}{2}} + 1\right)^{7/3}} \right) + \dots . \quad (35)$$

Using inverse LT, we obtain (Figure 1)

$$\psi(v, \sigma) = \frac{1}{\left(1 + e^{\frac{3v}{2}}\right)^{1/3}} + \frac{\sigma^p}{\Gamma(p+1)} \left(\frac{5e^{\frac{3v}{2}}}{4\left(e^{\frac{3v}{2}} + 1\right)^{4/3}} \right) + \frac{\sigma^{2p}}{\Gamma(2p+1)} \left(\frac{25e^{3v} - 75e^{\frac{3v}{2}}}{16\left(e^{\frac{3v}{2}} + 1\right)^{7/3}} \right) + \dots . \quad (36)$$

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Applying RL integral to Eq. (27), we obtain the equivalent form:

$$\psi(v, \sigma) = \frac{1}{\left(1 + e^{\frac{3v}{2}}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}} - \Re_{\sigma}^p \left[\frac{\partial^2 \psi(v, \sigma)}{\partial v^2} + \psi(v, \sigma) - \psi^7(v, \sigma) \right]. \quad (37)$$

According to the NIM procedure, we obtain the following few terms:

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_0(v, \sigma) &= \frac{1}{\left(1 + e^{\frac{3v}{2}}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}}, \quad \psi_1(v, \sigma) = \frac{5e^{\frac{3v}{2}}\sigma^p}{4\left(e^{\frac{3v}{2}} + 1\right)^{4/3}\Gamma(p+1)}, \\ \psi_2(v, \sigma) &= \frac{25e^{\frac{3v}{2}}\sigma^{2p}}{131,072\left(e^{\frac{3v}{2}} + 1\right)^{28/3}} \times \left(-\frac{120,000e^{\frac{15v}{2}}\left(e^{\frac{3v}{2}} + 1\right)\sigma^{5p}\Gamma(6p)}{\Gamma(7p)\Gamma(p+1)^6} - \frac{2,1875e^{9v}\sigma^{6p}\Gamma(7p)}{\Gamma(8p)\Gamma(p+1)^7} + 64\left(e^{\frac{3v}{2}} + 1\right)^2 \right. \\ &\quad \times \left. \left(-\frac{5,600e^{\frac{9v}{2}}\left(e^{\frac{3v}{2}} + 1\right)\sigma^{3p}\Gamma(4p)}{\Gamma(5p)\Gamma(p+1)^4} - \frac{4,375e^{6v}\sigma^{4p}\Gamma(5p)}{\Gamma(6p)\Gamma(p+1)^5} + 8\left(e^{\frac{3v}{2}} + 1\right)^2 \right. \right. \\ &\quad \times \left. \left. \left(-\frac{525e^{3v}\sigma^{2p}\Gamma(3p)}{\Gamma(4p)\Gamma(p+1)^3} - \frac{336e^{\frac{3v}{2}}\left(e^{\frac{3v}{2}} + 1\right)\sigma^p\Gamma(2p+1)}{\Gamma(p+1)^2\Gamma(3p+1)} + \frac{16\left(e^{\frac{3v}{2}} - 3\right)\left(e^{\frac{3v}{2}} + 1\right)^3}{\Gamma(2p+1)} \right) \right). \end{aligned} \quad (38)$$

By the NIM algorithm, the final solution is under (Figure 2):

$$\psi(v, \sigma) = \psi_0(v, \sigma) + \psi_1(v, \sigma) + \psi_2(v, \sigma) + \dots , \quad (39)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(\nu, \sigma) = & \frac{1}{\left(1 + e^{\frac{3\nu}{2}}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}} + \frac{5e^{\frac{3\nu}{2}}\sigma^p}{4\left(e^{\frac{3\nu}{2}} + 1\right)^{4/3}\Gamma(p+1)} + \frac{25e^{\frac{3\nu}{2}}\sigma^{2p}}{131,072\left(e^{\frac{3\nu}{2}} + 1\right)^{28/3}} \left(-\frac{120,000e^{\frac{15\nu}{2}}\left(e^{\frac{3\nu}{2}} + 1\right)\sigma^{5p}\Gamma(6p)}{\Gamma(7p)\Gamma(p+1)^6} \right. \\ & - \frac{21,875e^{9\nu}\sigma^{6p}\Gamma(7p)}{\Gamma(8p)\Gamma(p+1)^7} + 64\left(e^{\frac{3\nu}{2}} + 1\right)^2 \left(-\frac{5,600e^{\frac{9\nu}{2}}\left(e^{\frac{3\nu}{2}} + 1\right)\sigma^{3p}\Gamma(4p)}{\Gamma(5p)\Gamma(p+1)^4} \right. \\ & - \frac{4,375e^{6\nu}\sigma^{4p}\Gamma(5p)}{\Gamma(6p)\Gamma(p+1)^5} + 8\left(e^{\frac{3\nu}{2}} + 1\right)^2 \times \left(-\frac{525e^{3\nu}\sigma^{2p}\Gamma(3p)}{\Gamma(4p)\Gamma(p+1)^3} \right. \\ & \left. \left. - \frac{336e^{\frac{3\nu}{2}}\left(e^{\frac{3\nu}{2}} + 1\right)\sigma^p\Gamma(2p+1)}{\Gamma(p+1)^2\Gamma(3p+1)} + \frac{16\left(e^{\frac{3\nu}{2}} - 3\right)\left(e^{\frac{3\nu}{2}} + 1\right)^3}{\Gamma(2p+1)} \right) \right). \end{aligned} \quad (40)$$

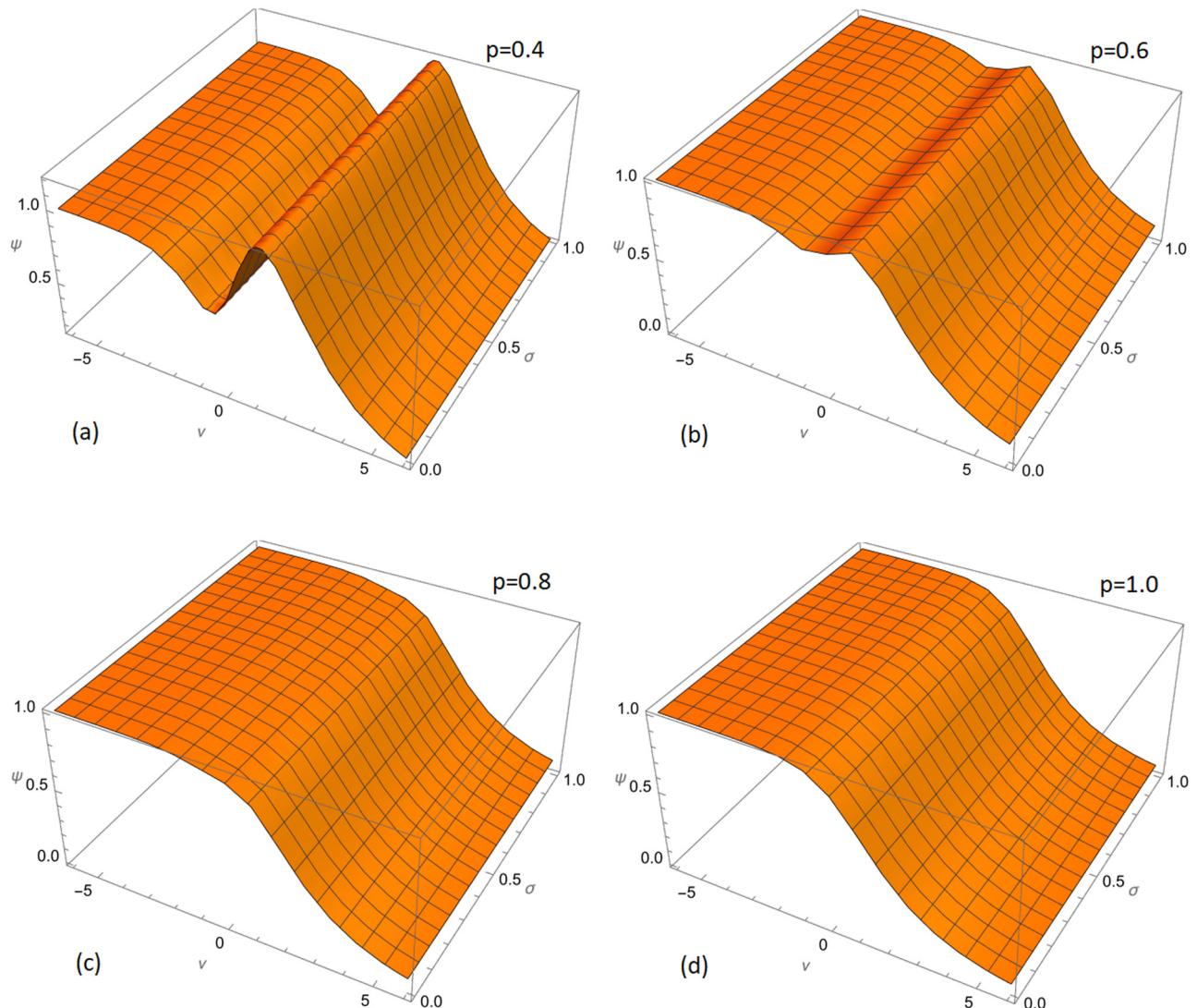


Figure 1: (a) Fractional order 0.4, (b) fractional order 0.6, (c) fractional order 0.8, and (d) fractional order 1.0, of LRPSM of Example 1 for $\sigma = 0.1$.

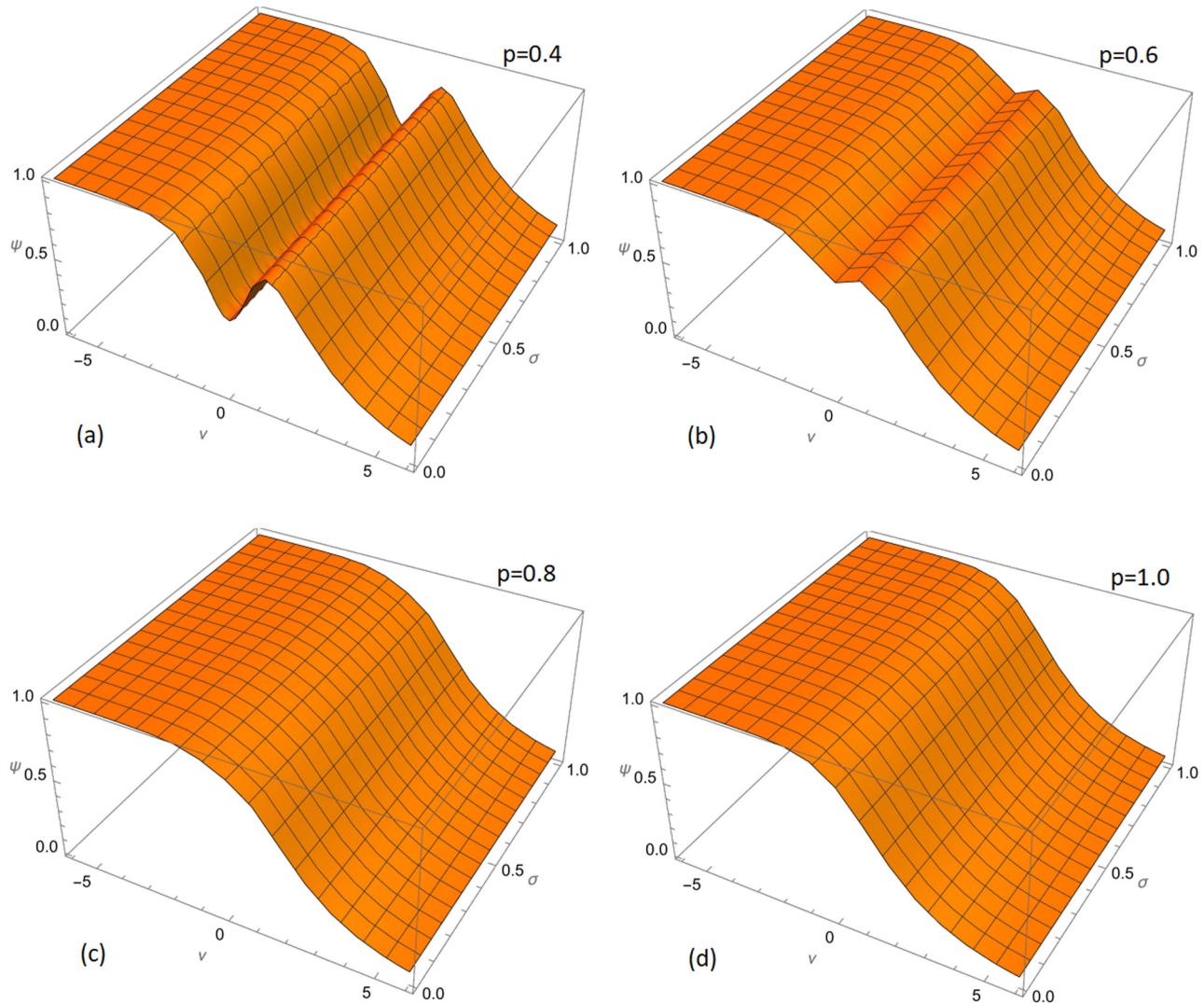


Figure 2: (a) Fractional order 0.4, (b) fractional order 0.6, (c) fractional order 0.8, and (d) fractional order 1.0, of NIM of Example 1 for $\sigma = 0.01$.

Note the impact of $p = 0.4$, $p = 0.5$, $p = 0.6$, $p = 0.8$, and $p = 1.0$ when comparing the results from the LRPSM and the NIM for Example 1. As the fractional order p approaches 1, the previously observed jagged response becomes more smooth. This demonstrates that solutions of higher fractional orders tend to be more uniform and smooth. Extensive computational study has been assigned to improving the precision of the approaches used in Example 1. The meticulously compiled results of these computations are shown in Tables 1–4. This neatly compiled data set provides substantial evidence for the convergence behavior and overall accuracy of the selected approaches.

Problem 2

Consider the time-fractional foam drainage is given as:

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$$\begin{aligned} D_\sigma^p \psi(v, \sigma) - \frac{\psi(v, \sigma) \partial^2 \psi(v, \sigma)}{2 \partial v^2} + 2\psi^2(v, \sigma) \frac{\partial \psi(v, \sigma)}{\partial v} \\ - \left(\frac{\partial \psi(v, \sigma)}{\partial v} \right)^2 = 0, \quad \text{where } 0 < p \leq 1. \end{aligned} \quad (41)$$

Subjected to the following ICs:

Table 1: Comparison of different fractional orders of LRPMSM of Example 1 for $\sigma = 0.1$

v	$LRPSM_{p=0.6}$	$LRPSM_{p=0.8}$	$LRPSM_{p=1.0}$	Exact	$Error_{p=0.6}$	$Error_{p=0.8}$	$Error_{p=1.0}$
0.	0.897646	0.867218	0.840206	0.839982	0.057664	0.027236	0.000224085
0.1	0.887814	0.852086	0.822573	0.822297	0.0655173	0.0297891	0.000276224
0.2	0.876862	0.835753	0.803816	0.803496	0.0733664	0.0322569	0.000319893
0.3	0.864665	0.818237	0.78401	0.783657	0.0810075	0.0345792	0.000352936
0.4	0.851123	0.799581	0.763254	0.76288	0.0882427	0.0367008	0.000374043
0.5	0.836175	0.779857	0.741665	0.741282	0.0948932	0.038575	0.000382832
0.6	0.819803	0.759159	0.719373	0.718993	0.10081	0.0401661	0.000379812
0.7	0.802035	0.737605	0.696521	0.696155	0.105881	0.0414504	0.000366238
0.8	0.782947	0.71533	0.673257	0.672913	0.110034	0.0424172	0.000343897
0.9	0.762654	0.692483	0.649731	0.649416	0.113238	0.0430672	0.00031487
1.	0.741302	0.669216	0.626086	0.625805	0.115497	0.0434112	0.000281305

Table 2: Comparison of different fractional orders of LRPMSM of Example 1 for $\sigma = 0.01$

v	$LRPSM_{p=0.6}$	$LRPSM_{p=0.8}$	$LRPSM_{p=1.0}$	Exact	$Error_{p=0.6}$	$Error_{p=0.8}$	$Error_{p=1.0}$
0.	0.82649	0.806805	0.79863	0.79863	0.0278597	0.00817548	2.551131×10^{-7}
0.1	0.808072	0.787147	0.778547	0.778547	0.0295251	0.00860059	3.030978×10^{-7}
0.2	0.788602	0.766533	0.757553	0.757553	0.0310494	0.00898002	3.412176×10^{-7}
0.3	0.768171	0.745076	0.735769	0.735769	0.0324017	0.00930665	3.677563×10^{-7}
0.4	0.746886	0.722904	0.713329	0.713329	0.0335566	0.00957517	3.819198×10^{-7}
0.5	0.724872	0.700158	0.690377	0.690376	0.0344957	0.00978222	3.838502×10^{-7}
0.6	0.702266	0.676984	0.667058	0.667057	0.0352083	0.0099265	3.745207×10^{-7}
0.7	0.679209	0.653527	0.643518	0.643518	0.0356912	0.0100086	3.555417×10^{-7}
0.8	0.655849	0.629932	0.619901	0.619901	0.0359484	0.010031	3.289235×10^{-7}
0.9	0.632328	0.606335	0.596338	0.596338	0.0359899	0.00999731	2.968351×10^{-7}
1.	0.608783	0.582864	0.572952	0.572952	0.0358309	0.00991246	2.613958×10^{-7}

$$\psi(v, 0) = \frac{1}{2e^v + 1} - \frac{1}{2}. \quad (42)$$

$$\psi(v, \sigma) = \frac{1}{2e^{v-\frac{\sigma}{4}} + 1} - \frac{1}{2}. \quad (43)$$

The exact solution is as follows:

Applying LT to Eq. (41) and making use of Eq. (42), we obtain

Table 3: Comparison of different fractional orders of NIM of Example 1 for $\sigma = 0.1$

v	$NIM_{p=0.6}$	$NIM_{p=0.8}$	$NIM_{p=1.0}$	Exact	$Error_{p=0.6}$	$Error_{p=0.8}$	$Error_{p=1.0}$
0.	0.87018	0.863079	0.839619	0.839982	0.0301978	0.0230968	0.000363059
0.1	0.860823	0.848054	0.822004	0.822297	0.0385263	0.0257568	0.000292883
0.2	0.850977	0.831919	0.803277	0.803496	0.0474812	0.0284232	0.000218503
0.3	0.840434	0.814678	0.783513	0.783657	0.0567763	0.0310207	0.000144358
0.4	0.828973	0.796355	0.762806	0.76288	0.0660921	0.0334746	0.0000746898
0.5	0.816388	0.776997	0.741269	0.741282	0.0751058	0.0357157	0.0000130628
0.6	0.802513	0.756679	0.719031	0.718993	0.0835205	0.0376864	0.0000379655
0.7	0.787243	0.735498	0.696232	0.696155	0.0910884	0.0393438	0.0000770026
0.8	0.77054	0.713575	0.673017	0.672913	0.0976263	0.0406618	0.000103793
0.9	0.752437	0.691046	0.649535	0.649416	0.103021	0.0416304	0.000119045
1.	0.733031	0.66806	0.625929	0.625805	0.107226	0.0422547	0.000124174

Table 4: Comparison of different fractional orders of NIM of Example 1 for $\sigma = 0.01$

v	$NIM_{p=0.6}$	$NIM_{p=0.8}$	$NIM_{p=1.0}$	Exact	$Error_{p=0.6}$	$Error_{p=0.8}$	$Error_{p=1.0}$
0.	0.826131	0.806791	0.79863	0.79863	0.0275011	0.00816089	2.917156×10^{-7}
0.1	0.807725	0.787133	0.778547	0.778547	0.0291779	0.00858652	2.240841×10^{-7}
0.2	0.788274	0.76652	0.757553	0.757553	0.0307214	0.00896676	1.548604×10^{-7}
0.3	0.767868	0.745063	0.735769	0.735769	0.032099	0.00929446	8.806200×10^{-8}
0.4	0.746613	0.722893	0.713329	0.713329	0.0332838	0.00956421	2.730880×10^{-8}
0.5	0.724632	0.700149	0.690376	0.690376	0.0342553	0.00977259	2.455687×10^{-8}
0.6	0.702058	0.676975	0.667057	0.667057	0.035001	0.00991821	6.570495×10^{-8}
0.7	0.679034	0.65352	0.643518	0.643518	0.035516	0.0100017	9.538290×10^{-8}
0.8	0.655704	0.629926	0.619901	0.619901	0.035803	0.0100252	1.138263×10^{-7}
0.9	0.632209	0.60633	0.596338	0.596338	0.0358715	0.00999261	1.220580×10^{-7}
1.	0.608688	0.582861	0.572952	0.572952	0.035736	0.0099087	1.216313×10^{-7}

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(v, s) - \frac{\frac{1}{2e^v+1} - \frac{1}{2}}{s} \\ - \frac{1}{2s^p} \mathcal{L}_\sigma \left[(\mathcal{L}_\sigma^{-1} \psi(v, s)) \left(\mathcal{L}_\sigma^{-1} \frac{\partial^2 \psi(v, s)}{\partial v^2} \right) \right] \\ + \frac{2}{s^p} \mathcal{L}_\sigma \left[(\mathcal{L}_\sigma^{-1} \psi^2(v, s)) \left(\mathcal{L}_\sigma^{-1} \frac{\partial \psi(v, s)}{\partial v} \right) \right] \\ - \mathcal{L}_\sigma \left[\left(\mathcal{L}_\sigma^{-1} \frac{\partial \psi(v, s)}{\partial v} \right)^2 \right] = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (44)$$

and so the k th-truncated term series are as follows:

$$\psi(v, s) = \frac{\frac{1}{2e^v+1} - \frac{1}{2}}{s} + \sum_{r=1}^k \frac{f_r(v, s)}{s^{rp+1}}, \quad r = 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots \quad (45)$$

LRFs [41] are as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_\sigma \text{Res}(v, s) = \psi(v, s) - \frac{\frac{1}{2e^v+1} - \frac{1}{2}}{s} - \frac{1}{2s^p} \mathcal{L}_\sigma \\ \times \left[(\mathcal{L}_\sigma^{-1} \psi(v, s)) \times (\mathcal{L}_\sigma^{-1} \frac{\partial^2 \psi(v, s)}{\partial v^2}) \right] \\ + \frac{2}{s^p} \mathcal{L}_\sigma \left[(\mathcal{L}_\sigma^{-1} \psi^2(v, s)) (\mathcal{L}_\sigma^{-1} \frac{\partial \psi(v, s)}{\partial v}) \right] \\ - \mathcal{L}_\sigma \left[(\mathcal{L}_\sigma^{-1} \frac{\partial \psi(v, s)}{\partial v})^2 \right] = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (46)$$

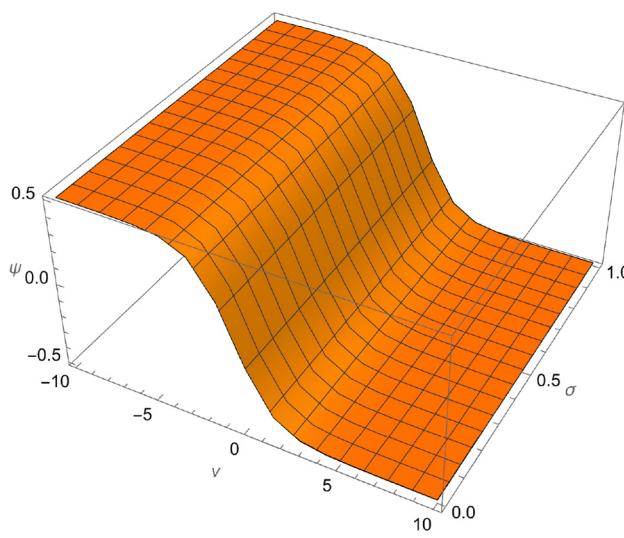


Figure 3: Approximate solution of LRPMSM of Example 2 for $\sigma = 0.5$ and $p = 1$.

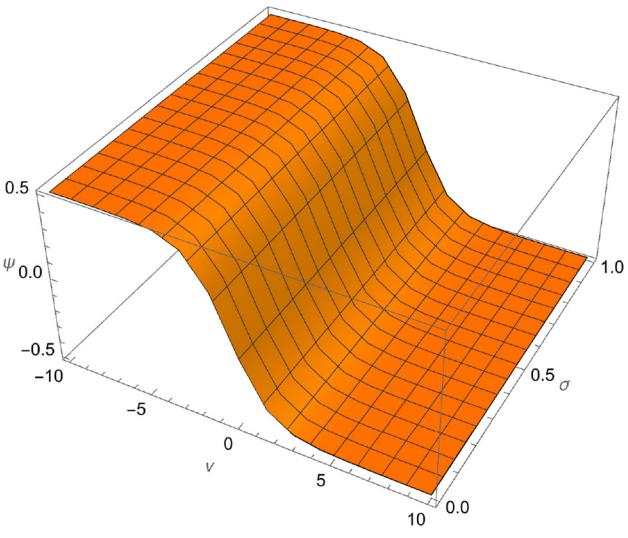


Figure 4: Exact solution of Example 2 for $\sigma = 0.5$.

and the k th-LRFs are as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_\sigma \text{Res}_k(v, s) &= \psi_k(v, s) - \frac{\frac{1}{2e^v+1} - \frac{1}{2}}{s} - \frac{1}{2s^p} \mathcal{L}_\sigma \\ &\quad \times \left[(\mathcal{L}_\sigma^{-1} \psi_k(v, s)) \times \left(\mathcal{L}_\sigma^{-1} \frac{\partial^2 \psi_k(v, s)}{\partial v^2} \right) \right] \\ &\quad + \frac{2}{s^p} \mathcal{L}_\sigma [(\mathcal{L}_\sigma^{-1} \psi_k^2(v, s))] \\ &\quad \times \left[\mathcal{L}_\sigma^{-1} \frac{\partial \psi_k(v, s)}{\partial v} \right] \\ &\quad - \mathcal{L}_\sigma \left[\left(\mathcal{L}_\sigma^{-1} \frac{\partial \psi_k(v, s)}{\partial v} \right)^2 \right] = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (47)$$

Now, to determine $f_r(v, s)$, $r = 1, 2, 3, \dots$, we substitute the r th-truncated series Eq. (45) into the r th-LRF Eq. (47), multiply the resulting equation by s^{rp+1} , and then solve recursively the relation $\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} (s^{rp+1} \mathcal{L}_\sigma \text{Res}_{\psi, r}(v, s)) = 0$, $r = 1, 2, 3, \dots$. Following are the first few terms:

$$f_1(v, s) = \frac{e^v}{2(2e^v + 1)^2}, \quad (48)$$

$$f_2(v, s) = \frac{e^v(2e^v - 1)}{8(2e^v + 1)^3}, \quad (49)$$

and so on.

Putting the values of $f_r(v, s)$, $r = 1, 2, 3, \dots$, in Eq. (45), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(v, s) &= \frac{\frac{1}{2e^v+1} - \frac{1}{2}}{s} + \frac{1}{4s^{p+1}} \left(\frac{e^v}{2(2e^v + 1)^2} \right) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{16s^{2p+1}} \left(\frac{e^v(2e^v - 1)}{8(2e^v + 1)^3} \right) + \dots . \end{aligned} \quad (50)$$

Using inverse LT, we obtain (Figures 3 and 4)

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(v, \sigma) &= \frac{1}{2e^v + 1} - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sigma^p}{\Gamma(p+1)} \left(\frac{e^v}{2(2e^v + 1)^2} \right) \\ &\quad + \frac{\sigma^{2p}}{\Gamma(2p+1)} \left(\frac{e^v(2e^v - 1)}{8(2e^v + 1)^3} \right) + \dots . \end{aligned} \quad (51)$$

Implementation of NIM

Applying RL integral to Eq. (41), we obtain the equivalent form:

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(v, \sigma) &= \frac{1}{2e^v + 1} - \frac{1}{2} - \Re_\sigma^p \left[\frac{\psi(v, \sigma) \partial^2 \psi(v, \sigma)}{2\partial v^2} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - 2\psi^2(v, \sigma) \frac{\partial \psi(v, \sigma)}{\partial v} + \left(\frac{\partial \psi(v, \sigma)}{\partial v} \right)^2 \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (52)$$

According to the NIM procedure, we obtain the following few terms:

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_0(v, \sigma) &= \frac{1}{2e^v + 1} - \frac{1}{2}, \\ \psi_1(v, \sigma) &= \frac{e^v \sigma^p}{2(2e^v + 1)^2 \Gamma(p+1)}, \\ \psi_2(v, \sigma) &= \frac{e^v \sigma^{2p}}{8(2e^v + 1)^7} \left(\frac{2e^{2v}(2e^v - 1) \sigma^{2p} \Gamma(3p+1)}{\Gamma(p+1)^3 \Gamma(4p+1)} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{e^v(2e^v + 1)(4e^v(e^v - 2) + 1) \sigma^p \Gamma(2p+1)}{\Gamma(p+1)^2 \Gamma(3p+1)} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{(2e^v - 1)(2e^v + 1)^4}{\Gamma(2p+1)} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (53)$$

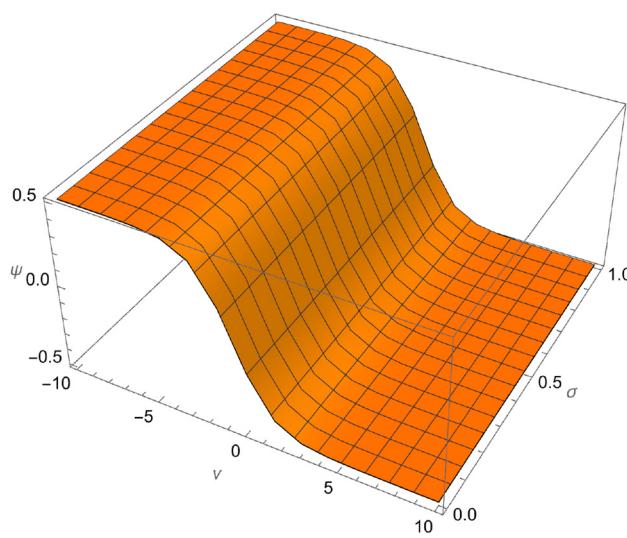


Figure 5: Approximate solution of NIM of Example 2 for $\sigma = 0.5$ and $p = 1$.

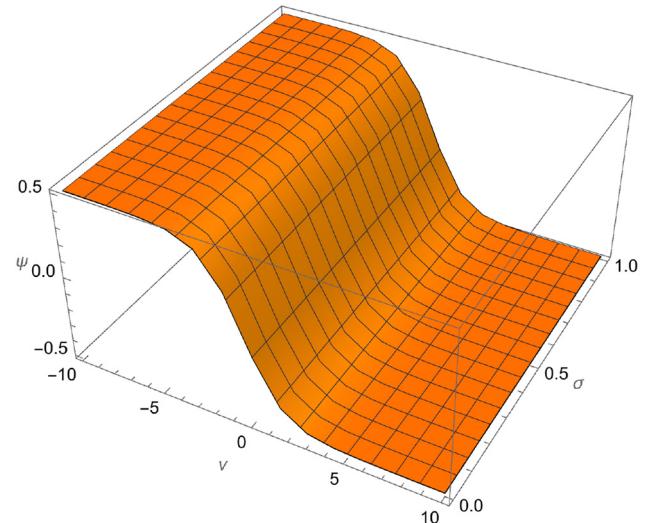


Figure 6: Exact solution of Example 2 for $\sigma = 0.5$.

Table 5: Comparison of different fractional orders of LRPSM of Example 2 for $\sigma = 0.5$

v	$LRPSM_{p=0.6}$	$LRPSM_{p=0.8}$	$LRPSM_{p=1.0}$	Exact	$Error_{p=0.6}$	$Error_{p=0.8}$	$Error_{p=1.0}$
0.	-0.120025	-0.127617	-0.13831	-0.138336	0.0183106	0.0107182	0.0000253517
0.1	-0.1432	-0.150642	-0.161067	-0.161088	0.0178878	0.0104463	0.0000213093
0.2	-0.165731	-0.172987	-0.183103	-0.18312	0.0173895	0.0101328	0.0000171672
0.3	-0.187535	-0.194577	-0.204347	-0.20436	0.016825	0.00978334	0.0000130459
0.4	-0.208545	-0.215346	-0.224741	-0.22475	0.0162047	0.00940405	9.0523198×10^{-6}
0.5	-0.228705	-0.235243	-0.244239	-0.244244	0.0155392	0.00900106	5.2762681×10^{-6}
0.6	-0.247971	-0.25423	-0.262808	-0.26281	0.0148389	0.00858041	1.788482×10^{-6}
0.7	-0.266311	-0.272277	-0.280427	-0.280425	0.014114	0.00814792	1.359778×10^{-6}
0.8	-0.283707	-0.289372	-0.297085	-0.297081	0.0133741	0.00770903	4.136010×10^{-6}
0.9	-0.300148	-0.305507	-0.312782	-0.312776	0.012628	0.00726869	6.524802×10^{-6}
1.	-0.315635	-0.320688	-0.327528	-0.327519	0.0118839	0.00683135	8.525544×10^{-6}

Table 6: Comparison of different fractional orders of LRPSM of Example 2 for $\sigma = 0.1$

v	$LRPSM_{p=0.6}$	$LRPSM_{p=0.8}$	$LRPSM_{p=1.0}$	Exact	$Error_{p=0.6}$	$Error_{p=0.8}$	$Error_{p=1.0}$
0.	-0.14638	-0.154319	-0.161088	-0.161088	0.0147081	0.00676921	1.949057×10^{-7}
0.1	-0.16887	-0.176571	-0.18312	-0.18312	0.0142502	0.00654873	1.622431×10^{-7}
0.2	-0.190615	-0.198052	-0.20436	-0.20436	0.0137454	0.00630772	1.290341×10^{-7}
0.3	-0.211548	-0.2187	-0.22475	-0.22475	0.0132017	0.00604999	9.622055×10^{-8}
0.4	-0.231617	-0.238465	-0.244244	-0.244244	0.0126275	0.00577934	6.462600×10^{-8}
0.5	-0.250779	-0.25731	-0.26281	-0.26281	0.0120307	0.00549949	3.493203×10^{-8}
0.6	-0.269006	-0.275211	-0.280425	-0.280425	0.0114193	0.00521397	7.665638×10^{-8}
0.7	-0.28628	-0.292155	-0.297081	-0.297081	0.0108005	0.00492606	1.680170×10^{-8}
0.8	-0.302595	-0.308137	-0.312776	-0.312776	0.0101809	0.00463874	3.824605×10^{-8}
0.9	-0.317953	-0.323165	-0.327519	-0.327519	0.00956647	0.00435465	5.657611×10^{-8}
1.0	-0.332366	-0.337253	-0.341329	-0.341329	0.00896243	0.00407608	7.181400×10^{-8}

Table 7: Comparison of different fractional orders of NIM of Example 2 for $\sigma = 0.5$

v	$NIM_{p=0.5}$	$NIM_{p=0.7}$	$NIM_{p=1.0}$	Exact	$Error_{p=0.5}$	$Error_{p=0.7}$	$Error_{p=1.0}$
0.	-0.119823	-0.127525	-0.138287	-0.138336	0.0185121	0.0108106	0.0000485713
0.1	-0.143033	-0.150566	-0.161048	-0.161088	0.0180552	0.0105226	0.0000403011
0.2	-0.165597	-0.172927	-0.183088	-0.18312	0.0175231	0.0101932	0.0000320415
0.3	-0.187433	-0.194531	-0.204336	-0.20436	0.0169268	0.00982881	0.0000240568
0.4	-0.208473	-0.215314	-0.224733	-0.22475	0.0162773	0.00943591	0.0000165629
0.5	-0.228658	-0.235223	-0.244235	-0.244244	0.015586	0.00902092	9.721501×10^{-6}
0.6	-0.247946	-0.25422	-0.262806	-0.26281	0.0148635	0.00859006	3.640295×10^{-6}
0.7	-0.266305	-0.272276	-0.280427	-0.280425	0.0141203	0.00814918	1.623050×10^{-6}
0.8	-0.283715	-0.289377	-0.297087	-0.297081	0.0133659	0.00770365	6.054432×10^{-6}
0.9	-0.300167	-0.305517	-0.312785	-0.312776	0.0126088	0.00725832	9.675106×10^{-6}
1.	-0.315663	-0.320702	-0.327532	-0.327519	0.0118567	0.00681744	0.000012533

Table 8: Comparison of different fractional orders of NIM of Example 2 for $\sigma = 0.1$

v	$NIM_{p=0.5}$	$NIM_{p=0.7}$	$NIM_{p=1.0}$	Exact	$Error_{p=0.5}$	$Error_{p=0.7}$	$Error_{p=1.0}$
0.	-0.146363	-0.154316	-0.161088	-0.161088	0.0147247	0.00677212	3.6923135×10^{-7}
0.1	-0.168856	-0.176569	-0.18312	-0.18312	0.0142638	0.00655108	3.025555×10^{-7}
0.2	-0.190604	-0.19805	-0.20436	-0.20436	0.013756	0.00630954	2.365642×10^{-7}
0.3	-0.21154	-0.218699	-0.22475	-0.22475	0.0132095	0.00605131	1.732927×10^{-7}
0.4	-0.231612	-0.238464	-0.244244	-0.244244	0.0126327	0.00578021	1.143692×10^{-7}
0.5	-0.250776	-0.25731	-0.26281	-0.26281	0.0120338	0.00549997	6.098443×10^{-8}
0.6	-0.269005	-0.275211	-0.280425	-0.280425	0.0114205	0.00521412	1.389851×10^{-8}
0.7	-0.28628	-0.292155	-0.297081	-0.297081	0.0108001	0.00492595	2.652123×10^{-8}
0.8	-0.302596	-0.308137	-0.312776	-0.312776	0.0101794	0.00463842	6.024345×10^{-8}
0.9	-0.317955	-0.323165	-0.327519	-0.327519	0.00956408	0.00435418	8.750504×10^{-8}
1.	-0.332369	-0.337253	-0.341329	-0.341329	0.00895943	0.0040755	1.087412×10^{-7}

By the NIM algorithm, the final solution is under (Figures 5 and 6):

$$\psi(v, \sigma) = \psi_0(v, \sigma) + \psi_1(v, \sigma) + \psi_2(v, \sigma) + \dots, \quad (54)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(v, \sigma) = & \frac{1}{2e^v + 1} - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{e^v \sigma^p}{2(2e^v + 1)^2 \Gamma(p+1)} \\ & + \frac{e^v \sigma^{2p}}{8(2e^v + 1)^4} \left[\frac{2e^{2v}(2e^v - 1)\sigma^{2p}\Gamma(3p+1)}{\Gamma(p+1)^3\Gamma(4p+1)} \right. \\ & \left. - \frac{e^v(2e^v + 1)(4e^v(e^v - 2) + 1)\sigma^p\Gamma(2p+1)}{\Gamma(p+1)^2\Gamma(3p+1)} \right. \\ & \left. + \frac{(2e^v - 1)(2e^v + 1)^4}{\Gamma(2p+1)} \right] + \dots. \end{aligned} \quad (55)$$

Particular attention should be paid to the impacts of 0.5, 0.7, and 1.0 orders when comparing the results obtained with the LRPSM with those obtained with the NIM for Example 2. Importantly, there is a clear pattern: the approximate solution and its reliability both improve as the fractional order p approaches 1. Extensive computational studies are conducted to guarantee the precision of the procedures used in Example 2. The meticulously compiled results of these computations are shown in Tables 5–8. This neatly compiled data set provides substantial evidence for the convergence behavior and overall accuracy of the selected approaches.

4 Conclusion

In conclusion, our study has proven that the LRPSM and the NIM are equally effective and versatile in resolving complex partial differential equations incorporating the Caputo operator. We have successfully developed approximate and effective solutions to the foam drainage equation and the nonlinear time-fractional Fisher's equation,

bringing fresh insights into the behavior of these complicated mathematical models. The accuracy of our method is further proved by the use of figures and tables to exemplify it. This work not only enhances the area of mathematical analysis but also emphasizes how vital it is to examine novel approaches to tough difficulties in a range of scientific domains. Our findings illustrate the potential of the NIM and the LRPSM as viable approaches for solving fractional partial differential equations. Combining these methodologies gives a robust strategy for dealing with fractional derivative equations and nonlinear dynamics, boosting our analytical ability to represent real-world events. Our grasp of intricate systems will develop as we use these tactics, and our ability to solve tough mathematical and physical challenges will grow.

In summary, this study underlines the usefulness of unique ways of addressing mathematical problems and encourages greater research into the LRPSM and the NIM for a broader variety of challenges. The foam drainage equation and the nonlinear time-fractional Fisher's equation have been successfully solved, revealing the potential of these methodologies and opening the way for future breakthroughs in mathematical research and its various applications.

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