Simultaneous Flow of Two Immiscible Fractional Maxwell Fluids with the Clear Region and Homogeneous Porous Medium

(Aliiran Serentak bagi Dua Bendalir Maxwell Pecahan tak Tercampur dengan Rantau Jernih dan Medium Berliang Homogen)

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ABSTRACT

One-dimensional transient flows of two layers immiscible fractional Maxwell fluids in a rectangular channel is investigated. The studied problem is based on a mathematical model focused on the fluids with memory described by a constitutive equation with time-fractional Caputo derivative. The flow domain is considered two regions namely one clear region and another filled with a homogeneous porous medium saturated by a generalized Maxwell fluid. Semi-analytical and analytical solutions to the problem with initial-boundary conditions and interface fluid-fluid conditions are determined by employing the integral transform method (the Laplace transform and the finite sine-Fourier transform). Talbot's algorithm for the numerical inversion of the Laplace transforms is employed. The memory effects and the influence of the porosity coefficient on the fluid motion are studied. Numerical results and graphical illustrations obtained using the Mathcad software are utilised to analyze the fluid behavior. The influence of the memory on the fluid motion is significant at the beginning of motion and it is attenuated as time passes by.

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INTRODUCTION

The study of simultaneous flow of two or more immiscible fluids in porous as well as in clear medium is significant due to its wide applications in science, medical, geophysics, industry, petroleum engineering, and hydrogeology (Bear 2013; Dullien 2012; Lake 1989; Satpathi et al. 2003). Various applications include oil recovery, blood flow through capillary vessels, equipment cleaning, biofilms, and mucus flow in living cells, removal of carbon dioxide from the atmosphere, groundwater management, crude oil flow through pipelines, bubble generation in microfluidics and bubble trains flow in various complex porous systems. Several researchers have studied the stability/instability of two-layer or multi-layer immiscible fluids flow (Gin & Daripa 2015; Papaefthymiou & Papageorgiou 2017; Ward et al. 2019). The linear stability of the viscoelastic two-
layered plane Poiseuille and Couette flows have been first studied by Yih (1967) with the help of long-wave approach. He observed that both density and viscosity stratification can cause interfacial Kelvin-Helmholtz instability. Herve Le Meur (1997) has studied the uniqueness and the existence of the multi-layered Poiseuille/Couette fluid flow in pipes/channel and observed that interpolated Oldroyd derivative parameter and the viscosity ratios are significant for a unique solution. Kalogirou and Blyth (2019) have considered the Couette-Poiseuille flow of the two-layered superposed fluids to discuss stability. The fluid at the lower layer is populated with surfactants and these surfactants get adsorbed on the interface. It has been observed that if the thickness ratio is much higher than the fluid viscosity ratio and if the surfactant is sufficiently soluble, the flow is stable.

Kim et al. (2019) have worked on the two-layered immiscible Couette flow with the help of a hybrid method. The flow is between two parallel planes in which the upper plane is moving while the lower plane is kept stationary. It has been found that the viscosity ratio has strong effects on the fluid velocity than the surface energy. Khan et al. (2016) have investigated the heat transfer and the fluid velocity of the two-layer immiscible fluid in the presence of pressure type die. The first layer is filled with the inelastic fluid, namely, power-law fluid and the second layer are filled with the viscoelastic liquid (Phan-Thien–Tanner fluids). It has been seen that the fluid velocity and the fluid temperature increase with the increase in the Deborah number. Other interesting results relating to simultaneous flow two or more fluids can be seen in Aliyu et al. (2017), Ashraf and Phirani (2019), Barannyk et al. (2015), Funahashi et al. (2018), Hisham et al. (2018), Joseph and Renardy (1995), Papaefthymiou et al. (2017) and Rauf et al. (2019).

The study of the viscoelastic fluid flows in the porous medium is of great interest for many industrial and engineering complex processes such as manufacturing processes of the composite materials, paper and textile coating, and optimization of the oil recovery. In Hansen et al. (2018), authors have worked on incompressible and simultaneous two-layered flow in a porous medium and have derived a set of equations which relates the seepage velocities of the fluid components on continuum level where differentiation make sense. The enhancement of thermal transport in Marangoni convective flows of a water-based hybrid nanofluid over a stretched/shrinked sheet has been investigated by Khashi’le et al. (2020). In their study, authors considered the presence of surface tension generated by the temperature gradient at the wall surface. Using software MATLAB, authors have determined dual numerical solutions for velocity and temperature. The influence of system parameters on the heat transfer and fluid motion was analyzed.

Modelling of complex systems with the fractional order differential and integral operators have applications in many fields of science such as geophysics, biology, demography, bioengineering, physics, and mathematics (Caputo & Fabrizio 2015). There exist many fractional differential operators in literature such as Caputo-Fabrizio fractional derivative (Caputo & Fabrizio 2015), Riemann-Liouville fractional/derivative (Podlubny 1999), Caputo fractional derivative (Caputo 1967) and Yang-Srivastava-Machado fractional derivative (Xiao-Jun 2016), are some of the examples of the fractional-order differential operators used in viscoelasticity, mass and heat transport processes. Hristov (2017) studied the transient space-fractional diffusion with power-law super diffusivity modelled by the Riemann-Liouville fractional derivative. Liu and Pan (2019) have developed a numerical algorithm for a class of fractional differential equations with variable order. Authors used the Legendre polynomial method for the starting solutions of the studied equations. In this paper, we have studied the simultaneous flow of the two immiscible fractional Maxwell fluids between two parallel plates. We have divided the region between two parallel plates into two simultaneous layers. The upper layer is porous whereas the lower layer is clear with no porosity effect. We have considered an unsteady, incompressible and one dimensional fully developed flow which is generated by the movement of the boundary walls and the time-dependent pressure gradient within the fluid layers.

Moreover, we have considered the linear interfacial fluid-fluid condition between two consecutive layers. To find analytical solutions for velocities we have used finite Fourier sine transform in conjunction with the Laplace transformation. A semi-analytical solution for velocity field is recovered with the help of Laplace transform and Talbot’s algorithms used for the numerical Laplace inversion.

**MATERIALS AND METHODS**

**BASIC CONSTITUTIVE EQUATIONS**

The constitutive equation of the upper convected Maxwell fluid is (Malek et al. 1993).

\[-pI + \sigma = \tau, \]  \hspace{1cm} (1)

where \( p \) represents the pressure; \( \tau \) represents the Cauchy stress tensor; \( I \) represents the unit tensor; and \( \sigma \) is the extra-stress tensor given by the equation

\[ \sigma + \lambda \dot{\sigma} = \mu \dot{A}, \quad A = \nabla v + (\nabla v)^T, \]

\[ \dot{\sigma} = \frac{c_{II}}{c_{II}} \nabla \sigma - (\nabla v)^T \sigma - \sigma (\nabla v). \]  \hspace{1cm} (2)
In (2), \( \mathbf{v} \), \( \lambda \), \( \mu \), \( \nabla \mathbf{v} \), and the \( T \) index are the velocity field, the relaxation time, the fluid viscosity, the velocity gradient tensor, and the transposition operation, respectively.

For the Maxwell fluid upper convected model, the generalized constitutive equation with time-fractional Caputo derivative is (Friedrich 1991; Hristov 2019)

\[
\sigma + \lambda^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \sigma + \lambda \left[ \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \sigma - (\nabla \mathbf{v})^T \sigma - \sigma (\nabla \mathbf{v}) \right] = \mu \mathbf{A}, \quad 0 < \alpha \leq 1,
\]

where the Caputo derivative operator \( c_t^\alpha \sigma(x, y, z, t), 0 < \alpha \leq 1 \) is defined as (Caputo 1967)

\[
\begin{align*}
\sigma_{\alpha(t)} &= \frac{\sigma(t) - \sigma(0)}{t^\alpha} \quad \text{for } \alpha \neq 1, \\
\dot{\sigma} &= \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial t},
\end{align*}
\]

\( \delta \)-being Dirac’s distribution.

It is clear from (4) and (5) that, for \( \alpha = 1 \), the fractional constitutive (3) leads to the classical constitutive (2) and for \( \lambda = 0 \), (3) leads to the Newtonian fluid. For the one-dimensional flow with the extra-stress tensor and the velocity field given by

\[
\sigma = \sigma(y, t), \sigma(y, 0) = 0, \quad \mathbf{v}(x, y, z, t) = u(y, t) \mathbf{e}_y, u(y, 0) = 0,
\]

where \( \mathbf{e}_y \) represents the unit vector along the y-axis in the Cartesian coordinate system \( Oxyz \), we get

\[
\begin{align*}
\sigma_y &= \sigma_y, \sigma_y = 0, \\
(1 + \lambda^2 \sigma_{\alpha(t)})_{y y} &= \mu \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2}, \\
(1 + \lambda^2 \sigma_{\alpha(t)})_{x y} &= 2 \lambda \sigma_y \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}
\end{align*}
\]

Let us consider a porous medium of permeability \( K \) saturated by a Maxwell fluid. By analogy with the constitutive (8), we can write the following filtration law as (Alishaev & Mirzadjanzade 1975; Khuzhayorov et al. 2000; Nield 2000)

\[
u = -\frac{K}{\mu \rho} (1 + \lambda^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x})
\]

Into (10), the velocity \( u \), averaged over the pore space, is related to Darcy’s velocity by

\[
u_D = \varphi u,
\]

where \( \varphi \) represents the porosity effects of the porous medium. In this work, we will consider a generalized form of the filtration law (10), namely (Govindarajan 2004)

\[
(1 + \lambda^2 \sigma_{\alpha(t)}) \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} = -\frac{\mu \varphi}{K} u.
\]

Generally, the fractional parameters corresponding to the shear stress, respectively to the filtration law are different. To simplify calculations, in this paper we considered these parameters equal.

The local volume-average balance of linear momentum is given by (Vafai & Tien 1981; Xue & Nie 2008)

\[
\begin{align*}
\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} + \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} &= \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2} + \frac{\partial r}{\partial x},
\end{align*}
\]

where \( r \) represents the Darcy’s resistance.

It has been observed that the pressure gradient \( \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \) given by (12) can be considered as a measure of the same flow resistance in the porous medium bulk (Khuzhayorov et al. 2000). Moreover, Darcy’s resistance \( r \) in (13) is as well in effect a flow resistance measure caused by the solid matrix, from (12) we have

\[
(1 + \lambda^2 \sigma_{\alpha(t)}) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = -\frac{\mu \varphi}{K} u.
\]

Neglecting the pressure gradient \( \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \) in the direction of the flow, (13) and (14) lead to the following equation of the linear momentum:

\[
(1 + \lambda^2 \sigma_{\alpha(t)}) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = -\frac{\mu \varphi}{K} u.
\]

For a clear fluid \( r = 0 \) and zero pressure gradient \( \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \) in the direction of the flow, (14) leads to the flow equation

\[
(1 + \lambda^2 \sigma_{\alpha(t)}) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = -\frac{\mu \varphi}{K} u.
\]
MATHEMATICAL MODELING

Let us consider the flow of an upper convected Maxwell fluid with generalized constitutive equation between two horizontal parallel impermeable plates situated in the plane \( y = 0 \), respectively \( y = h \) of the coordinate system \( Oxyz \). The clear generalized Maxwell fluid flows in the layer \( 0 \leq y \leq y_h \). A porous layer of thickness \( h - h_p \) is attached to the upper plate and is saturated by a generalized Maxwell fluid (Figure 1 with non-dimensional parameters). At the instant \( t = 0 \), both plates and the fluid are at rest. In this work, we investigate flows with the velocity field \( v(y,t) = u(y,t)e_c \) generated by the motion of the plate \( y = 0 \). The governing equations of the fluid flow are given by Xue and Nie (2008)

For clear fluid region,

\[
\frac{\partial u(y,t)}{\partial t} - \gamma v(y,t) = 0, \quad y \in [0, h]
\]

For porous medium region,

\[
\frac{\partial u(y,t)}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial v(y,t)}{\partial y} - \frac{\gamma}{K} u(y,t), \quad y \in [h_p, h]
\]

Along with (17) and (18), the following initial and boundary conditions are considered:

\[
v(y,0) = 0, \quad u(y,0) = 0, \quad y \in [0, h], \quad y \in [h_p, h]
\]

Using the following dimensionless quantities

\[
u^* = \frac{U_y}{U}, \quad \gamma^* = \frac{\gamma}{K}, \quad \lambda^* = \frac{U_y^2}{U}, \quad \alpha^* = \frac{h_p U_y}{v}, \quad \lambda = \frac{h_p U_y}{v}
\]

Equations (17)-(21) become (neglecting the notation \( \cdots \))

\[
(1 + \lambda^* \cdot D_y^*) \frac{\partial u(y,t)}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2}, \quad y \in [0, h], \quad \lambda = \frac{h_p U_y}{v}
\]

\[
(1 + \lambda^* \cdot D_y^*) \frac{\partial v(y,t)}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} - \gamma v(y,t), \quad y \in [h_p, h], \quad \lambda^* = \frac{h_p U_y}{v}
\]

\[
u(y,0) = 0, \quad u(y,0) = 0, \quad y \in [0, h], \quad y \in [h_p, h]
\]

\[
u(h_p,t) = u(h_p,t), \quad \frac{\partial u(y,t)}{\partial y} \bigg|_{y=h_p} = \frac{\partial v(y,t)}{\partial y} \bigg|_{y=h_p}
\]

\[
u(d_s,t) = u(d_s,t), \quad \frac{\partial u(y,t)}{\partial y} \bigg|_{y=d_s} = -\frac{\partial v(y,t)}{\partial y} \bigg|_{y=d_s}
\]

\[
u(d_s,t) = u(d_s,t), \quad \frac{\partial u(y,t)}{\partial y} \bigg|_{y=d_s} = \frac{\partial v(y,t)}{\partial y} \bigg|_{y=d_s}
\]

SOLUTION OF THE PROBLEM

Taking the Laplace transform to (23), (24), (26), (27) and using the initial conditions (25), we get

\[
\frac{\partial^2 \bar{u}(y,s)}{\partial y^2} = s(\lambda \cdot \bar{u}(y,s) + 1)\bar{u}(y,s), \quad y \in [0, d_s], \quad (28)
\]

\[
\frac{\partial^2 \bar{v}(y,s)}{\partial y^2} = s(\lambda \cdot \bar{v}(y,s) + 1)\gamma \bar{v}(y,s), \quad y \in [d_s, d], \quad (29)
\]

\[
\bar{u}(0,s) = \bar{f}(s), \quad \bar{v}(d,s) = 0
\]

\[
\bar{u}(d_s,s) = \bar{u}(d_s,s), \quad \frac{\partial \bar{u}(y,s)}{\partial y} \bigg|_{y=d_s} = -\frac{\partial \bar{v}(y,s)}{\partial y} \bigg|_{y=d_s}
\]

where \( \bar{G}(y,s) = \int_0^\infty G(y,t)e^{-st}dt \) denotes the Laplace transform of the function \( G(y,t) \).

SEMI-ANALYTICAL SOLUTION

The generic solution of (28) and (29) are

\[
\bar{u}(y,s) = A_i(s)e^{-\gamma\sqrt{\bar{w}_i(s,\alpha^*)}}, \quad i = 1, 2, 3, 4
\]

Using the boundary and interface fluid-solid matrix conditions (30) and (31), we obtain that parameters \( A_i(s) \), \( i = 1, 2, 3, 4 \), are given by

\[
A_i(s) = \frac{f(s)[\bar{w}_1(s,\alpha^*)e^{-\gamma\sqrt{\bar{w}_1(s,\alpha^*)}} - \bar{w}_1(s,\alpha^*)e^{-\gamma\sqrt{\bar{w}_1(s,\alpha^*)}}]}{D(s)}, \quad i = 1, 2, 3, 4
\]

\[
D(s) = \sqrt{\bar{w}_1(s,\alpha^*)} + \sqrt{\bar{w}_1(s,\alpha^*)}
\]

\[
D_i(s) = 2\cosh\left[\sqrt{\bar{w}_1(s,\alpha^*)}\sinh\left(d-d_s\sqrt{\bar{w}_1(s,\alpha^*)}\right)\right]
\]

\[
D_i(s) = 2\sinh\left[\sqrt{\bar{w}_1(s,\alpha^*)}\cosh\left(d-d_s\sqrt{\bar{w}_1(s,\alpha^*)}\right)\right]
\]
It is not easy to apply the analytic method to compute the inverse Laplace transform of (32)-(35), since complicated expressions are involved in these equations. To overcome this issue, we have used two accuracy numerical algorithms, namely the improved Talbot algorithm (Dingfelder & Weideman 2015) and the fixed Talbot algorithm (Abate & Valko 2004) for the computation of the numerical inversion of Laplace transform.

Let \( \mathcal{G}(y,s) = \int_0^y G(y,t) e^{-st} \, dt \). The Talbot algorithm (Bracewell 2000) for the Laplace transform inversion of the function \( \mathcal{G}(y,s) \) is

\[
G(y,t) \approx \frac{\pi}{M} \sum_{l=1}^{M-1} \text{Re} \left[ \exp(itl) \mathcal{G}(y,\theta_l)(1+i\zeta(\theta_l)) \right] + \frac{\exp(it)}{2} \mathcal{G}(y,t),
\]

(36)

where

\[
r_l = \frac{2M}{\pi} \, z = r \theta + i \theta \cot \theta, \quad -\pi < \theta < \pi,
\]

\[
\zeta(\theta) = (\theta \cot \theta - 1) \cot \theta + \theta, \quad \theta = \frac{k\pi}{M}.
\]

Another method to approximate the function \( G(y,t) \) is the improved Talbot algorithm for the inverse Laplace transform and is given by (Lorenzo & Hartley 1999)

\[
G(y,t) \approx \frac{\pi}{M} \sum_{l=1}^{M-1} \left[ \exp(\theta_l) + i\zeta(\theta_l) \exp(z_l) \right] \exp(\theta_l),
\]

(38)

where

\[
z_l(\theta) = \frac{M}{\pi} \left[ \pi \theta + M \theta \cot(\theta) - \zeta \right], \quad -\pi < \theta < \pi,
\]

(39)

\[
\zeta(\theta) = \eta \theta + \mu(\theta \cot(\theta) - 1) \cot(\theta), \quad \eta = \frac{(2k-1)\pi}{M}.
\]

Here \( \alpha, \beta, \), \( M = M, \) \( \nu, \mu, \) \( \xi \) are parameters to be specified by the user.

**ANALYTICAL SOLUTION FOR THE VELOCITY**

To find the exact solution of velocities \( \mathbf{u}(y,t) \) and \( \mathbf{v}(y,t) \) we will use the finite Fourier sine transform along with the Laplace transform.

The finite Fourier sine transform of the function \( \mathcal{F}(y,s), s \leq y \leq a, \) \( a < b, \) is defined as (Russell & Charles 1959)

\[
\mathcal{F}_s(y) = \int_y^a \mathcal{F}(y,s) \sin(\xi y) \, dy, \quad \xi = \frac{m\pi}{b-a}, \quad m = 1, 2, \ldots.
\]

(40)

along with the inverse Fourier transform defined by

\[
\mathcal{F}(y,s) = \sum_{m=1}^\infty 2 \frac{\mathcal{F}_s(y) \sin(\xi y)}{b-a}.
\]

(41)

With the application of finite Fourier sine transform (40) to (28) and (29) along with the boundary conditions (30) and (31), the transformed velocities take the form

\[
\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_s(y) = \frac{-1}{s(1 + \lambda^s y^s)} + \frac{\xi}{s^2(1 + \lambda^s y^s)^2} + \frac{\xi^2}{s^3(1 + \lambda^s y^s)^3} + \mathbf{f}(s),
\]

(42)

\[
\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_s(y) = \frac{m\pi}{d_0}, \quad m = 1, 2, \ldots.
\]

(43)

Velocity function (42) can be written in equivalent form as

\[
\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_s(y) = \frac{-1}{s(1 + \lambda^s y^s)} + \frac{\xi}{s^2(1 + \lambda^s y^s)^2} + \frac{\xi^2}{s^3(1 + \lambda^s y^s)^3} + \mathbf{f}(s),
\]

(44)

Considering the following pair functions \( \psi_1(y) \) and \( \psi_2(y) \) along with their inverse Fourier sine transform

\[
\psi_1(y) = \frac{-y + d_0}{d_0}, \quad 0 < y < d_0, \quad \psi_1 = \frac{1}{s_{2n}},
\]

(45)

\[
\psi_2(y) = \frac{y}{d_0}, \quad 0 < y < d_0, \quad \psi_2 = \frac{-1}{s_{1n}},
\]

and taking the inverse Fourier sine transform to (45) we get

\[
\mathcal{F}(d_0, s) = \frac{2\pi}{d_0} \mathcal{F}(d_0, s) + \frac{d_0}{d_0} \mathcal{F}(s) + \frac{2\pi}{d_0} \mathcal{F}(s) \sin(\xi_{1n} y)
\]

(46)

A similar manner leads to

\[
\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_s(y) = \frac{1}{s_{2n}} \mathcal{F}(d_0, s) - \frac{s(1 + \lambda^s y^s)}{s_{2n} (1 + \lambda^s y^s)^2 + \xi^2_{2n} + \gamma} \mathcal{F}(d_0, s),
\]

(47)

and considering

\[
\psi_1(y) = \frac{d_0}{d_0}, \quad 0 < y < d_0, \quad \psi_1 = \frac{1}{s_{1n}},
\]

(48)

and the implication of the inverse Fourier sine transform to (48) gives

\[
\mathcal{F}(y, s) = \frac{-y}{d_0} \mathcal{F}(d_0, s) - \frac{2\pi}{d_0} \mathcal{F}(d_0, s) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{s(1 + \lambda^s y^s)}{s_{2n} (1 + \lambda^s y^s)^2 + \xi^2_{2n} + \gamma} \sin(\xi_{1n} (y - d_0)),
\]

(49)

Using (21), the Laplace transformed form of the velocities on the interface \( y = d_0 \) are

\[
\mathbf{v}(d_0, s) = \mathbf{f}(d_0, s) = \mathcal{F}(s) \mathcal{F}(d_0, s) \mathcal{F}(s),
\]

(50)
2. The profiles of velocity for small values of the time \( t \) as:

\[
\tilde{u}(y, s) = \frac{1}{d_0} \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(\xi_n y \sqrt{s})}{s(1 + \lambda^2 s^n) + \xi_n^2} + 1 \right),
\]

\[
\tilde{u}_m(y, s) = \frac{1}{d_0} \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(\xi_n y \sqrt{s})}{s(1 + \lambda^2 s^n) + \xi_n^2 + \gamma} + 1 \right).
\]

For the inverse Laplace transforms of the functions \( \mathcal{H}(y, s), \mathcal{V}(y, s) \) and \( \mathcal{H}(d_0, s) = \mathcal{V}(d_0, s) \) we consider the following auxiliary functions,

\[
\mathcal{H}_m(s) = \frac{s\left(1 + \lambda^2 s^n\right)}{s(1 + \lambda^2 s^n) + \xi_n^2 + \gamma} = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \left( \frac{m_n^2 + \gamma}{\lambda_n} \right) \left( \frac{s^{-\lambda}}{(s + \lambda^2 s^n)^\gamma} \right) \quad (52)
\]

The inverse Laplace transform of \( R_{in}(s) \) and \( R_{bn}(s) \) takes the form

\[
H_{in}(t) = \delta(t) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \left( \frac{m_n^2}{\lambda_n^2} \right) G_{\alpha, k} \left( t, \lambda_n^2 \right), \quad (55)
\]

\[
H_{bn}(t) = \delta(t) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n G_{\alpha, k} \left( t, \lambda_n^2 \right) \left( \frac{m_n^2 + \gamma}{\lambda_n} \right), \quad (56)
\]

where \( \delta(t) \) is the Dirac delta function.

Using (46), (49), (55) and (56), we can write the expressions for velocities \( u(y, t), v(y, t) \) as:

\[
u(y, t) = \frac{y - d}{d_0} \alpha f(t) + \frac{y}{d_0} u(d_0, t) + \frac{2}{d_0} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sin(\xi_m^2 (y - d_0)) H_{in}(t) \ast u(d_0, t), \quad (57)
\]

\[
u(y, t) = \frac{y - d}{d_0} \alpha f(t) + \frac{y}{d_0} u(d_0, t) + \frac{2}{d_0} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sin(\xi_m^2 (y - d_0)) H_{in}(t) \ast u(d_0, t), \quad (58)
\]

where \( \mathcal{G}(t) \mathcal{K}(t) = \int_0^t \mathcal{G}(t - q) \mathcal{K}(q) dq \) represents the convolution product of the functions \( \mathcal{G}(t), \mathcal{K}(t) \) and \( u(d_0, t) = v(d_0, t) \) is given by

\[
u(d_0, t) = v(d_0, t) = T_{in}(d_0, t) \ast f(t) \ast \mathcal{A}(t), \quad (59)
\]

where \( \mathcal{A}(t) \) is an auxiliary function such that \( \mathcal{A}(t) \ast T_{in}(d_0, t) + T_{in}(d_0, t) \ast T_{in}(d_0, t) = \delta(t) \), and

\[
T_{in}(y, s) = \frac{1}{d_0} \left( \frac{\sin(\xi_m^2 y \sqrt{s})}{s(1 + \lambda^2 s^n) + \xi_n^2} + 1 \right), \quad (60)
\]

\[
T_{bn}(y, s) = \frac{1}{d_0} \left( \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} H_{bn}(t) \cos(\xi_m^2 y \sqrt{s}) \right), \quad (61)
\]

The inverse Laplace transform of \( R_{in}(s) \) and \( R_{bn}(s) \) takes the form

\[
H_{in}(t) = \delta(t) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \left( \frac{m_n^2}{\lambda_n^2} \right) G_{\alpha, k} \left( t, \lambda_n^2 \right), \quad (55)
\]

\[
H_{bn}(t) = \delta(t) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n G_{\alpha, k} \left( t, \lambda_n^2 \right) \left( \frac{m_n^2 + \gamma}{\lambda_n} \right), \quad (56)
\]
FIGURE 3. The profiles of velocity for large values of the time $t$ and for various values of the fractional parameter $\alpha$.

FIGURE 4. The profiles of the kernel $K(\alpha, t) = \frac{t^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1-\alpha)}$, $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ for different values of the time $t$. 
NUMERICAL RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Simultaneous one-dimensional flow of two layers unsteady immiscible generalized Maxwell fluids over a rectangular channel have been investigated. In a Cartesian coordinate system, the rectangular channel is determined by two parallel plates situated at $y = 0$, respectively, $y = h$. The plane wall at $y = 0$ has a translatory motion with velocity $u(0,t) = U_0 f'(t)$, $U_0 > 0$ being a continuum function of exponential order to infinity and $f'(0) = 0$. The plate at plane $y = h$ is at rest.

In this problem, the generalization consists into consideration of the fractional constitutive equation of Maxwell fluids based on the Caputo time-fractional derivative. It is clear from the constitutive (8) that the shear stress $\sigma_{xy}$ is given by

$$\sigma_{xy}(x,y,t) = \int_0^1 \frac{\mu}{x} (t-\eta)^{-\alpha-1} \left[ -\lambda (x-\eta)^{\alpha} \frac{\partial u(x,\eta,t)}{\eta} \right] \, d\eta,$$

therefore, the history of the velocity gradient influences the shear stress. Such type of flow is the so-called flow with memory.

In the flow channel have been considered two regions, namely the clean region $y \in [0,d_a]$, in which flows a fractional Maxwell fluid and the region $y \in [d_a,d]$, filled with a porous medium saturated by another fractional Maxwell fluid. On the solid boundaries, the no-slip condition is considered, while at the fluid-fluid interface $y = d_a$, the velocity and shear stress are considered continuous.

Semi-analytical solutions of the problem with initial, boundary and interface conditions have been determined by employing the Laplace transform along with the Talbot algorithms for the numerical inverse Laplace transforms. Using finite sine-Fourier transform and Laplace transform, the analytical solutions of the same problem have been determined.

To study the influence of shear stress damping and the porous medium on the fluid velocity we have analyzed the particular case in which the motion of the bottom plate is an oscillation motion with the dimensionless velocity $u(0,t) = \cos(t) - 1$. The flows regions are determined by $d_a = 0.4$ and $d = 0.8$.

The dimensional parameters used in this study are $b_1 = 0.05(m)$, $h = 0.025(m)$, $U_0 = 0.008(m/s)$, $\lambda = 0.5$, $v = 0.0005$. Numerical results presented in Figures 2 to 5 were obtained using finite sine-Fourier transform and Laplace transform, the analytical solutions of the same problem have been determined.

FIGURE 5. The profiles of velocity for $\alpha = 0.5$ and different values of the porosity parameter $\gamma'$. 

with the Mathcad software. Figures 2 and 3 illustrate the graphs for the velocity profiles versus the spatial coordinate $y$ at different time instant and for various values of fractional parameter $\alpha$.

As expected, the fluid behavior is significantly different for small values of the time $t$, respectively for large values of the time $t$. This fact is due to the variation in time of the Caputo kernel which is presented in Figure 4. It is observed from Figure 4 that the Caputo kernel increases with the fractional parameter and small values of the time $t$. The kernel of the fractional derivative attains a maximum value for $0.4 < \alpha < 0.5$. For large values of the time $t$, the derivative kernel decreases with $\alpha$; for values close to 1, the values of a kernel are very small, therefore, the damping of the velocity gradient will be weaker.

Figure 2 plotted the profiles of velocity for small values of the time $t$ and different values of the fractional parameter, namely $\alpha \in \{0.4,0.6,0.8,0.9,1.0\}$. It is seen from this figure that Maxwell fluids with generalized fractional constitutive equation have a slower motion compared to the ordinary Maxwell fluids corresponding to $\alpha = 1$. This behavior is due to the new relationship between shear stress and shear rate in which the velocity gradient is damped by the Caputo kernel. As it is observed in Figure 3, the velocity of fluid is not significantly influenced by the memory effects at large values of the time $t$. According with the variation of the derivative kernel (Figure 4), the damping of the velocity gradient is much lower for large values of the time $t$; therefore, the influence of the fractional parameter on the fluid velocity is almost insignificant.

The influence of the non-dimensional porosity parameter $\gamma$ on the fluid velocity is presented in Figure 5, for the fractional parameter $\alpha = 0.5$ and the time $t \in \{0.25,0.65\}$ At small values of the time $t$, the velocity of fractional fluids is increasing with the porosity parameter, while, at large values of the time $t$ the fluid velocity is decreasing with the porosity parameter.

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