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Homotopy Analysis Method for Three Types of Fractional Partial Differential Equations

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1. Introduction

The concept of fractional derivatives can be traced back to a question raised by Marquis de L’Hopital to Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz three hundred years ([1–3]) ago. Due to the lack of geometric or physical background support, fractional calculus has not entered the field of vision of most researchers. Until recent decades, some researchers have found that the fractional models are better than integer models in describing the chemical process, diffusion reaction, financial vibration, and other fields. Therefore, the fractional order problems gradually attracted the interest of many researchers, and the application expanded to many scientific fields including fluid flow, rheology, dynamical processes in self-similar and porous structures, diffusive transport akin to diffusion, electrical networks, probability and statistics, control theory of dynamical systems, viscoelasticity, electrochemistry of corrosion, optics and signal processing [4–8], and so on. These applications in interdisciplinary sciences motivate us to try to find out numerical or analytic solutions for the fractional differential equations.

Now, many effective methods for fractional differential equations have been presented, such as the finite difference method [9], spectral method [5], matrix approach [10], homotopy analysis method (HAM) [11], and homotopy perturbation method [12]. Especially, the HAM was first proposed by Liao in [13]. This method has been successfully applied to solve various linear or nonlinear problems [8, 14–18]. The following is a brief survey.

In 2007, firstly, the HAM that was developed for an integer-order differential equation was directly extended to derive explicit and numerical solutions of nonlinear fractional differential equations by by Song and Zhang [19]. In 2008, Xu and Cang [20] employed the HAM to derive the solutions of the time fractional wave-like differential equations with a variable coefficient. In [21], HAM is applied to solve linear and nonlinear fractional initial-value problems by Hashim et al. [24]. In 2010, Abbasbandy et al. [22] applied HAM to solve several fractional KDV equations and showed the high accuracy and efficiency of the proposed technique. In [23], Abbasbandy et al. used HAM to obtain approximate solutions of fractional integrodifferential equations and gave some examples to illustrate the high efficiency and precision of this method. Very recently, Morales-Delgado et al. [24] have presented an analysis based...
on a combination of the Laplace transform and homotopy methods in order to provide new analytical approximated solutions of the fractional partial differential equations in the Liouville–Caputo and Caputo–Fabrizio senses. In 2019, an optimal homotopy analysis approach [25] was proposed to deal with nonlinear fractional differential equations, and the corresponding optimal initial approximation was discussed. For further information about the HAM, refer to [26–28].

In this paper, we use the HAM to solve fractional Cauchy–Riemann equations [29] and fractional acoustic wave equations [30], which are given by

\begin{align}
\begin{array}{l}
\frac{\partial^\alpha}{\partial x^\alpha} \varphi(x,t) + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \varphi(x,t) = 0,
\frac{\partial^\beta}{\partial x^\beta} \psi(x,t) + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi(x,t) = 0,
\frac{\partial^\alpha}{\partial x^\alpha} \varphi(x,t) + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \varphi(x,t) = 0,
\frac{\partial^\beta}{\partial x^\beta} \psi(x,t) + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi(x,t) = 0,
\end{array}
\end{align}

where \(0 < \alpha, \beta \leq 1\) and \(b_0\) and \(c_0\) are positive numbers and to solve the partial differential equation with a time-fractional-order of the following form:

\begin{align}
\frac{\partial^\alpha}{\partial x^\alpha} u(x,t) = \lambda u(x,t),
\end{align}

with a time-fractional order \(1 < \alpha \leq 2\), and \(\frac{\partial^\alpha}{\partial x^\alpha} (\cdot)\) is the Caputo fractional derivative.

By setting \(\alpha = 1\) and \(\beta = 0\), the models (1) and (2) were transformed into Cauchy–Riemann equations and acoustic wave equations, respectively. Suppose that \(\varphi\) and \(\psi\) satisfy the Cauchy–Riemann equations in an open subset of \(\mathbb{R}^2\), and consider the vector field \([\varphi, \psi]^T\). In fluid dynamics, such a vector field is a potential flow. In the second model, \(b_0\) and \(c_0\) denote the medium density and the propagation velocity without an acoustic disturbance, respectively. Model (3) is a two-dimensional space and time-fractional-order model, which has important applications in many fields.

The rest of this paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, the definitions and properties of fractional derivatives of some functions are introduced. Section 3 gives an introduction of the HAM which is used to solve fractional order differential equations. In Section 4, the analytic solutions for three types of fractional order differential equations were obtained by using the HAM, and the computer graphics of the exact solutions, the approximate solutions, and absolute errors were drawn in the limited area to clarify the effectiveness of the HAM. Finally, Section 5 offers some concluding remarks.

**2. Definitions and Lemmas**

**Definition 1.** (see [3]). A real function \(f(x)\), \(x > 0\), is said to be in the space \(C_{\mu}\), \(\mu \in \mathbb{R}\), if there exists a real number \(p > \mu\), such that \(f(x) = x^p f_1(x)\), where \(f_1(x) \in C_{(0,\infty)}\), and it is said to be in the space \(C_{\mu}\), if and only if \(f_n \in C_{\mu}, n \in \mathbb{N}\).

**Definition 2** (see [3]). The Riemann–Liouville fractional integral of order \(\alpha \in \mathbb{R}, \alpha > 0\) of a function \(f(x) \in C_{\mu}, \mu \geq -1\) is defined as

\begin{align}
\left( I^\alpha_0 f(t) \right)(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^x \frac{f(t)dt}{(x - t)^{1-\alpha}}, \quad x > 0.
\end{align}

**Definition 3** (see [3]). The Riemann–Liouville fractional derivative of order \(\alpha \in \mathbb{R}, \alpha > 0\), on the usual Lebesgue space \(L_1([a, b])\), is given by

\begin{align}
\left( D^\alpha_0 f(t) \right)(x) = \left( \frac{d^n}{dx^n} I^{n-\alpha}_0 f(t) \right)(x)
= \frac{1}{\Gamma(n-\alpha)} \left( \frac{d}{dx} \right)^n \int_0^x \frac{f(t)dt}{(x - t)^{\alpha-n+1}},
\end{align}

where \((n = [\alpha] + 1, x > 0)\).

**Definition 4** (see [3]). The Caputo fractional derivative of \(f(x) \in C^1_{\mu}, n \in \mathbb{N}\), is defined as

\begin{align}
\left( D^\alpha_{0,x} f(x) \right) = \left( \frac{d}{dx} \right)^n \int_0^x f(t)dt, \quad n - 1 < \alpha < n,
\end{align}

\begin{align}
\left( \frac{d}{dx} \right)^n \int_0^x f(t)dt, \quad \alpha = n.
\end{align}

**Definition 5** (see [3]). The classical Mittag-Leffler function is defined by

\begin{align}
E_{\alpha}(Z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{Z^k}{\Gamma(ak+1)} \quad Z \in \mathbb{C}, \alpha > 0.
\end{align}

The generalized Mittag-Leffler function is defined by

\begin{align}
E_{\alpha,\beta}(Z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{Z^k}{\Gamma(ak + \beta)} \quad Z, \beta \in \mathbb{C}, \alpha > 0.
\end{align}

**Definition 6** (see [3]). The functions \(\sin_{\alpha}(Z)\), \(\cos_{\alpha}(Z)\), \(\sin_{\alpha,\beta}(Z)\), and \(\cos_{\alpha,\beta}(Z)\) \((\beta \in \mathbb{C}, \alpha > 0)\) are defined by

\begin{align}
\sin_{\alpha}(Z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{Z^{2k-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha(2k-1) + 1)}
= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha(2k-1) + 1)}
\sin_{\alpha,\beta}(Z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{Z^{2k}}{\Gamma(\alpha(2k) + 1)}
= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha(2k) + 1)}
\sin_{\alpha,\beta}(Z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{Z^{2k}}{\Gamma(\alpha(2k) + \beta)}
= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha(2k) + \beta)}
\end{align}

\begin{align}
\cos_{\alpha}(Z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{Z^{2k}}{\Gamma(\alpha(2k) + 1)}
= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha(2k) + 1)}
\cos_{\alpha,\beta}(Z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{Z^{2k}}{\Gamma(\alpha(2k) + \beta)}
= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha(2k) + \beta)}
\end{align}

Obviously, Euler’s equations have the following forms:

\begin{align}
E_{\alpha} (iZ) = \cos_{\alpha}(Z) + i\sin_{\alpha}(Z),
E_{\alpha,\beta} (iZ) = \cos_{\alpha,\beta}(Z) + i\sin_{\alpha,\beta}(Z).
\end{align}

In particular, when \(\alpha = 1\), we have
\[
\sinh_1(Z) = \sin(Z), \\
\cosh_1(Z) = \cos(Z),
\]
and when \( \beta = 1 \), we have
\[
\sinh_{\alpha,1}(Z) = \sin_\alpha(Z), \\
\cosh_{\alpha,1}(Z) = \cos_\alpha(Z).
\]

**Definition 7** (see [3]). The functions \( \sinh_\alpha(Z), \cosh_\alpha(Z), \sinh_{\alpha,\beta}(Z), \) and \( \cosh_{\alpha,\beta}(Z) \) \((\beta \in C, \alpha > 0)\) are defined by
\[
\begin{align*}
\sinh_\alpha(Z) &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{Z^{2k-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha(2k-1)+1)} \\
\cosh_\alpha(Z) &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{Z^{2k}}{\Gamma(\alpha(2k)+1)} \\
\sinh_{\alpha,\beta}(Z) &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{Z^{2k-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha(2k-1)+\beta)} \\
\cosh_{\alpha,\beta}(Z) &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{Z^{2k}}{\Gamma(\alpha(2k)+\beta)}
\end{align*}
\]

Obviously, the hyperbolic sine’s and cosine’s equations have the following forms:
\[
\begin{align*}
\sinh_\alpha(Z) &= \frac{E_\alpha(Z) - E_\alpha(-Z)}{2} \\
\cosh_\alpha(Z) &= \frac{E_\alpha(Z) + E_\alpha(-Z)}{2} \\
\sinh_{\alpha,\beta}(Z) &= \frac{E_{\alpha,\beta}(Z) - E_{\alpha,\beta}(-Z)}{2} \\
\cosh_{\alpha,\beta}(Z) &= \frac{E_{\alpha,\beta}(Z) + E_{\alpha,\beta}(-Z)}{2}
\end{align*}
\]

In particular, when \( \alpha = 1 \), we have
\[
\begin{align*}
\sinh_1(Z) &= \sin(Z), \\
\cosh_1(Z) &= \cos(Z).
\end{align*}
\]

When \( \beta = 1 \), we have
\[
\begin{align*}
\sinh_{\alpha,1}(Z) &= \sin_\alpha(Z), \\
\cosh_{\alpha,1}(Z) &= \cos_\alpha(Z).
\end{align*}
\]

**Lemma 1.** If \( \sin_\alpha(Z), \cos_\alpha(Z), \sin_{\alpha,\beta}(Z), \) and \( \cosh_{\alpha,\beta}(Z) \) are defined as in **Definition 6**, then
\[
\begin{align*}
\left( I_\alpha^a (t-a)^{\beta-1} \sin_{\mu,\beta} [\lambda (t-a)\mu] \right) (x)
&= (x-a)^{\alpha+\beta-1} \sin_{\mu,\beta} [\lambda (t-a)\mu], \\
\left( I_\alpha^a (t-a)^{\beta-1} \cosh_{\mu,\beta} [\lambda (t-a)\mu] \right) (x)
&= (x-a)^{\alpha+\beta-1} \cosh_{\mu,\beta} [\lambda (t-a)\mu], \\
\left( D_\alpha^a (t-a)^{\beta-1} \sin_{\mu,\beta} [\lambda (t-a)\mu] \right) (x)
&= (x-a)^{\alpha+\beta-1} \sin_{\mu,\beta-a} [\lambda (t-a)^\nu], \\
\left( D_\alpha^a (t-a)^{\beta-1} \cosh_{\mu,\beta} [\lambda (t-a)\mu] \right) (x)
&= (x-a)^{\alpha+\beta-1} \cos_{\mu,\beta-a} [\lambda (t-a)^\nu].
\end{align*}
\]

**Proof.** We denote the beta function by \( \Gamma \). and then, according to the definition of the Riemann–Liouville fractional integral, we have
\[
\left( I_\alpha^a (t-a)^{\beta-1} \sin_{\mu,\beta} [\lambda (t-a)\mu] \right) (x)
= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^x \frac{(t-a)^{\beta-1} \sin_{\mu,\beta} [\lambda (t-a)\mu]}{(x-t)^{1-a}} \, dt,
\]
\[
= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{x-a} \frac{\xi^{\beta-1} \sin_{\mu,\beta} [\lambda \xi^\nu]}{(x-\xi-a)^{1-a}} \, d\xi, \quad \xi = t-a,
\]
\[
= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{t-a} \frac{(x-\xi-a)^{\beta-1} \sin_{\mu,\beta} [\lambda \xi^\nu]}{(x-a)^{1-a} (1-t)^{1-a}} \cdot (x-a) \, d\xi, \quad \xi = t-a,
\]
\[
= (x-a)^{\alpha+\beta-1} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{t-a} \frac{t^{\beta-1}}{(1-t)^{1-a}} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^{k+1} [\lambda t^\nu (x-a)^\mu]^{2k-1} \, dt.
\]
\[
(x - a)^{\beta - 1} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(\mu(2k-1))}{\Gamma((2k-1) + \beta)} \cdot (1 - t)^{\alpha-1} \frac{t^{\beta-1} \mu^{(2k-1)}}{(1 - t)^{\alpha-1} \Gamma(\mu(2k-1) + \beta)}. \]

Similarly, we obtain equation (18). Next, we will prove equation (19). From the definition of the Riemann–Liouville fractional derivative, we get

\[
\left( D^\alpha_{a+} (t - a)^{\beta-1} \sin_{\mu,\rho}[\lambda (t - a)^\rho] \right)(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(n - \alpha)} \frac{d^n}{dx^n} \int_{a^+}^{x} \frac{(t - a)^{\beta-1} \sin_{\mu,\rho}[\lambda (t - a)^\rho]}{(x - t)^{n-\alpha+1}} \, dt.
\]

\[
= \frac{1}{\Gamma(n - \alpha)} \frac{d^n}{dx^n} \int_{a^+}^{x} \frac{(t - a)^{\beta-1} \sin_{\mu,\rho}[\lambda (t - a)^\rho]}{(x - \xi)^{n-\alpha+1}} \, d\xi.
\]

\[
= \frac{1}{\Gamma(n - \alpha)} \frac{d^n}{dx^n} \int_{0^+}^{t} \frac{t^{\beta-1} (x - a)^{\beta-1} \sin_{\mu,\rho}[\lambda t^\mu (x - a)^\mu]}{(x - a)^{n-\alpha+1}} \, dt.
\]

\[
= \frac{1}{\Gamma(n - \alpha)} \frac{d^n}{dx^n} \int_{0^+}^{t} \frac{t^{\beta-1} (x - a)^{\beta-1} \sin_{\mu,\rho}[\lambda t^\mu (x - a)^\mu]}{(x - a)^{n-\alpha+1}} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(n - \alpha) (x - a) \Gamma(n - \alpha) (x - a)}{(1 - t)^{n-\alpha+1}}.
\]

\[
= \frac{1}{\Gamma(n - \alpha)} \frac{d^n}{dx^n} \int_{0^+}^{t} \frac{t^{\beta-1} (x - a)^{\beta-1} \sin_{\mu,\rho}[\lambda t^\mu (x - a)^\mu]}{(x - a)^{n-\alpha+1}} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1} [\lambda t^\mu (x - a)^\mu]^{2k-1}}{(1 - t)^{n-\alpha+1}} \, dt.
\]

\[
= \frac{1}{\Gamma(n - \alpha)} \frac{d^n}{dx^n} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1} [\lambda (x - a)^\mu]^{2k-1}}{(x - a)^{n-\alpha+1}} \, \sin_{\mu,\rho}[\lambda (t - a)^\rho].
\]

Similarly, we obtain equation (20). In particular, when \( \beta = 1, \mu = a, \) we have

\[
(D^a_{a+} \sin_{\mu}[\lambda (t - a)^\mu])(x) = \lambda \cos_{\mu}[\lambda (x - a)^\mu],
\]

\[
(D^a_{a+} \cos_{\mu}[\lambda (t - a)^\mu] - 1)(x) = -\lambda \sin_{\mu}[\lambda (x - a)^\mu].
\]

While replacing the Riemann–Liouville fractional derivative with the Caputo derivative, we get the following forms:

\[
(\cdot D^a_{a+} \sin_{\mu}[\lambda (t - a)^\mu])(x) = \lambda \cos_{\mu}[\lambda (x - a)^\mu],
\]

\[
(\cdot D^a_{a+} \cos_{\mu}[\lambda (t - a)^\mu])(x) = -\lambda \sin_{\mu}[\lambda (x - a)^\mu].
\]
Lemma 2. If \( \sinh_{\alpha}(z) \), \( \cosh_{\alpha}(z) \), \( \sinh_{\alpha,\beta}(z) \), and \( \cosh_{\alpha,\beta}(z) \) are defined as in Definition 7, then

\[
\begin{align*}
( I_{a+}^\alpha (t - a)^{\beta-1} \sinh_{\mu,\beta} [\lambda (t - a)^{\mu}]) (x) &= (x - a)^{\alpha + \beta - 1} \sinh_{\mu,\beta} [\lambda (t - a)^{\mu}], \\
( I_{a+}^\alpha (t - a)^{\beta-1} \cosh_{\mu,\beta} [\lambda (t - a)^{\mu}]) (x) &= (x - a)^{\alpha + \beta - 1} \cosh_{\mu,\beta} [\lambda (t - a)^{\mu}], \\
( D_{a+}^\alpha (t - a)^{\beta-1} \sinh_{\mu,\beta} [\lambda (t - a)^{\mu}]) (x) &= (x - a)^{\beta - 1} \sinh_{\mu,\beta} [\lambda (t - a)^{\mu}], \\
( D_{a+}^\alpha (t - a)^{\beta-1} \cosh_{\mu,\beta} [\lambda (t - a)^{\mu}]) (x) &= (x - a)^{\beta - 1} \cosh_{\mu,\beta} [\lambda (t - a)^{\mu}].
\end{align*}
\]  

(25) – (28)

Proof. Similar to the proof of Lemma 1, we obtain equations (25) – (28). In particular, when \( \beta = 1 \) and \( \mu = \alpha \),

\[
\begin{align*}
( D_{a+}^\alpha \sinh_{\alpha} [\lambda (t - a)^{\alpha}]) (x) &= \lambda \cosh_{\alpha} [\lambda (x - a)^{\alpha}], \\
( D_{a+}^\alpha [\sinh_{\alpha} [\lambda (t - a)^{\alpha}] - 1]) (x) &= \lambda \sinh_{\alpha} [\lambda (x - a)^{\alpha}].
\end{align*}
\]

(29)

While, replacing the Riemann–Liouville fractional derivative with the Caputo derivative, we get the following forms:

\[
\begin{align*}
( D_{a+}^\alpha \sinh_{\alpha} [\lambda (t - a)^{\alpha}]) (x) &= \lambda \cosh_{\alpha} [\lambda (x - a)^{\alpha}], \\
( D_{a+}^\alpha \cosh_{\alpha} [\lambda (t - a)^{\alpha}]) (x) &= \lambda \sinh_{\alpha} [\lambda (x - a)^{\alpha}].
\end{align*}
\]

(30)

3. HAM

In this section, we consider a linear or nonlinear equation in a general form:

\[
N [u(x, t)] = 0,
\]

(31)

where \( u(x, t) \) is an unknown function and \( x \) and \( t \) are independent variables. Let \( u_0 (x, t) \) denote an initial approximation of the solution of equation (31), \( h \) a nonzero auxiliary parameter, \( H(x, t) \) a nonzero auxiliary function, and \( L \) is an auxiliary linear operator. Then, we construct the HAM deformation equation in the following form:

\[
(1 - q)L[\Phi (x, t; q) - u_0 (x, t)] = q h H(x, t) N [\Phi (x, t; q)],
\]

(32)

where \( q \in [0,1] \) is an embedding parameter. Obviously, when \( q = 0 \) and \( q = 1 \), the abovementioned HAM deformation equation (32) has the solutions

\[
\begin{align*}
\Phi (x, t; 0) &= u_0 (x, t), \\
\Phi (x, t; 1) &= u (x, t),
\end{align*}
\]

(33)

respectively. Thus, as \( q \) increases from 0 to 1, \( \Phi (x, t; q) \) varies from the initial guesses \( \Phi (x, t; 0) \) to the solution \( \Phi (x, t; 1) \) of equation (31). Expanding \( \Phi (x, t; q) \) in Taylor’s series with respect to \( q \), we have

\[
\Phi (x, t; q) = u_0 (x, t) + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} u_m (x, t) q^m,
\]

(34)

where

\[
u_m (x, t) = \left. \frac{1}{m!} \frac{\partial^m \Phi (x, t; q)}{\partial q^m} \right|_{q=0}.
\]

(35)

For brevity, we define a vector

\[
\vec{u}_m = \{ u_0, u_1, \ldots, u_m \}.
\]

(36)

Differentiating the HAM deformation equation (32) \( m \) times with respect to \( q \), then setting \( q = 0 \), and finally dividing it by \( m! \), we obtain the \( m \)th-order deformation equation:

\[
L [u_m - \chi_m u_{m-1}] = h H(x, t) R_m (\vec{u}_{m-1}),
\]

(37)

where

\[
R_m (\vec{u}_{m-1}) = (1/(m-1)) (\partial^{m-1} N [\Phi (x, t; q)]/\partial q^{m-1})|_{q=0},
\]

and

\[
\chi_m = \begin{cases} 
0, & m = 1, \\
1, & m > 1.
\end{cases}
\]

(38)

Operating the inverse operator of \( L \) on both sides of equation (37), we have

\[
u_m (x, t) = \chi_m u_{m-1} (x, t) + h H(x, t) L^{-1} R_m \left( \vec{u}_{m-1}, x, t \right).
\]

(39)

In this way, it is easy to obtain \( u_1 (x, t), u_2 (x, t), \ldots \) one after another, and then, we get an exact solution of the original equation (31) of the series form:

\[
u(x, t) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} u_m (x, t).
\]

(40)

4. Applying HAM

In this section, we present three examples to illustrate the applicability of HAM for solving FCPDEs introduced in Section 3. For more details about the HAM, the reader can refer to [8], [13–16].

4.1. The Fractional Cauchy–Riemann Equations. In this section, we consider the fractional Cauchy–Riemann equation (1) with the following initial conditions:
\[ v(x, 0) = \sin\beta x^\beta = v_0(x, t), \]
\[ \rho(x, 0) = \cos\beta x^\beta = \rho_0(x, t). \] (41)

First, we choose two linear fractional order operators:
\[ L_1[\Theta(x, t; q)] = \mathcal{D}_{0^+}^\alpha\Theta(x, t; q), \]
\[ L_2[\Lambda(x, t; q)] = \mathcal{D}_{0^+}^\beta\Lambda(x, t; q). \] (42)

Secondly, we define two linear operators as
\[ N_1[\Theta(x, t; q), \Lambda(x, t; q)] = \mathcal{D}_{0^+}^\beta\Theta(x, t; q) + \mathcal{D}_{0^+}^\alpha\Lambda(x, t; q), \]
\[ N_2[\Theta(x, t; q), \Lambda(x, t; q)] = \mathcal{D}_{0^+}^\beta\Lambda(x, t; q) - \mathcal{D}_{0^+}^\alpha\Theta(x, t; q). \] (43)

Using the abovementioned definitions and with the assumption \( H(x, t) = 1 \), we construct the zeroth-order deformation equations (ZDE):
\[ (1 - q)L_1[\Theta(x, t; q) - v_0(x, t)] = qhN_1[\Theta(x, t; q), \Lambda(x, t; q)], \] (44)
\[ (1 - q)L_2[\Lambda(x, t; q) - \rho_0(x, t)] = qhN_2[\Lambda(x, t; q), \Theta(x, t; q)]. \] (45)

Thirdly, differentiating the ZDEs \( m \) times with respect to \( q \), then setting \( q = 0 \), and dividing it by \( ml! \), we get the \( ml \)-order deformation equations:
\[ L_1[v_m(x, t) - x_m v_{m-1}(x, t)] \]
\[ = hN_1[R_m^\alpha(v_{m-1}(x, t), \rho_{m-1}(x, t))], \]
\[ L_2[\rho_m(x, t) - x_m \rho_{m-1}(x, t)] \]
\[ = hN_2[R_m^\beta(\rho_{m-1}(x, t), v_{m-1}(x, t))], \] (46)
where
\[ x_m = \begin{cases} 0, & m = 1, \\ 1, & m > 1, \end{cases} \]
\[ N_1[R_m^\alpha(v_{m-1}(x, t), \rho_{m-1}(x, t))] \]
\[ = \mathcal{D}_{0^+}^\alpha v_{m-1}(x, t; q) + \mathcal{D}_{0^+}^\alpha \rho_{m-1}(x, t; q), \]
\[ N_2[R_m^\beta(\rho_{m-1}(x, t), v_{m-1}(x, t))] \]
\[ = \mathcal{D}_{0^+}^\beta \rho_{m-1}(x, t; q) - \mathcal{D}_{0^+}^\beta v_{m-1}(x, t; q). \] (47)

Finally, operating the operators \( L_1^{-1} \) and \( L_2^{-1} \) on both the sides of equations (44) and (45), respectively, we have
\[ v_m(x, t) = x_m v_{m-1}(x, t) \]
\[ + hL_1^{-1}N_1[R_m^\alpha((v_{m-1}(x, t), \rho_{m-1}(x, t))], \]
\[ \rho_m(x, t) = x_m \rho_{m-1}(x, t) \]
\[ + hL_2^{-1}N_2[R_m^\beta(\rho_{m-1}(x, t), v_{m-1}(x, t))]. \] (48)

From Lemma 1 and calculating one by one, we get
\[ v_0(x, t) = \sin\beta x^\beta, \]
\[ \rho_0(x, t) = \cos\beta x^\beta, \]
\[ v_1(x, t) = 0 + hL_1^{-1}N_1[R_1^\alpha(v_0(x, t), \rho_0(x, t))], \]
\[ = hL_1^{-1}[(\mathcal{D}_{0^+}^\alpha v_0(x, t) + \mathcal{D}_{0^+}^\alpha \rho_0(x, t; q)), \]
\[ = hI_{0^+}^\alpha(0 - \cos\beta x^\beta), \]
\[ = -h\sin\beta x^\beta \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(1 + \alpha)} \]
\[ \rho_1(x, t) = 0 + hL_2^{-1}N_2[R_2^\beta(\rho_0(x, t), v_0(x, t))], \]
\[ = hL_2^{-1}[(\mathcal{D}_{0^+}^\beta \rho_0(x, t) - \mathcal{D}_{0^+}^\beta v_0(x, t)), \]
\[ = hI_{0^+}^\beta(0 - \cos\beta x^\beta), \]
\[ = -h\cos\beta x^\beta \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(1 + \alpha)} \]
\[ v_2(x, t) = v_1(x, t) + hL_1^{-1}N_1[R_2^\alpha(v_1(x, t), \rho_1(x, t))], \]
\[ = v_1(x, t) + hL_1^{-1}[(\mathcal{D}_{0^+}^\alpha v_1(x, t) + \mathcal{D}_{0^+}^\alpha \rho_1(x, t)), \]
\[ = v_1(x, t) + hL_1^{-1}L_1 v_1(x, t) \]
\[ + hI_{0^+}^\alpha\left(-h\sin\beta x^\beta \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(1 + \alpha)} \right), \]
\[ = -h\sin\beta x^\beta \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(1 + \alpha)} \]
\[ - h^2 \sin\beta x^\beta \frac{t^2\alpha}{\Gamma(1 + 2\alpha)} + h^2 \sin\beta x^\beta \frac{t^2\alpha}{\Gamma(1 + 2\alpha)} \]
\[ \rho_2(x, t) = \rho_1(x, t) + hL_2^{-1}N_2[R_2^\beta(\rho_1(x, t), v_1(x, t))], \]
\[ = \rho_1(x, t) + hL_2^{-1}[(\mathcal{D}_{0^+}^\beta \rho_1(x, t) - \mathcal{D}_{0^+}^\beta v_1(x, t)), \]
\[ = \rho_1(x, t) + hL_2^{-1}L_2 \rho_1(x, t) \]
\[ + hI_{0^+}^\beta\left(h \cos\beta x^\beta \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(1 + \alpha)} \right), \]
\[ = -h\cos\beta x^\beta \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(1 + \alpha)} \]
\[ - h^2 \cos\beta x^\beta \frac{t^2\alpha}{\Gamma(1 + 2\alpha)} + h^2 \cos\beta x^\beta \frac{t^2\alpha}{\Gamma(1 + 2\alpha)}, \]
\[ \ldots \] (49)
By repeating this procedure for $h = -1$ and noting Definition 5, we obtain the exact solution:

$$v(x, t) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} v_k(x, t),$$

$$= \sin \beta x^\beta \left(1 + \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(1 + \alpha)} + \frac{t^{2\alpha}}{\Gamma(1 + 2\alpha)} + \cdots\right),$$

$$= \sin \beta x^\beta E_\alpha(t^\alpha),$$

$$\rho(x, t) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \rho_k(x, t),$$

$$= \cos \beta x^\beta \left(1 + \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(1 + \alpha)} + \frac{t^{2\alpha}}{\Gamma(1 + 2\alpha)} + \cdots\right),$$

$$= \cos \beta x^\beta E_\alpha(t^\alpha).$$

(50)

More interestingly, when $\alpha = 1$ and $\beta = 1$,

$$v(x, t) = \sin xe^t,$$

$$\rho(x, t) = \cos xe^t$$

are the exact solutions of Cauchy–Riemann equations

$$\begin{align*}
\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + \rho \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} &= 0, \\
\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + v \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial x} &= 0,
\end{align*}$$

(51)

with initial conditions $v(x, 0) = \sin x$ and $\rho(x, 0) = \cos x$. We draw the computer graphics of the exact solutions $v(x, t)$ and $\rho(x, t)$ by using MATLAB software; see Figures 1–4. Figures 5–8 show the approximate solution obtained by the HAM with intercepting 15 items, and the absolute errors of exact solutions and approximate solutions are shown in Figures 9–12, with different values $\alpha$ and $\beta$. In the process of compiling the program, we calculate $\cos_{\alpha\beta}(x)$ and $\sin_{\alpha\beta}(x)$ by the formulas $\cos_{\alpha\beta}(x) = (1/2)(E_{\alpha,\beta}(ix) + E_{\alpha,\beta}(-ix))$ and $\sin_{\alpha\beta}(x) = (1/2i)(E_{\alpha,\beta}(ix) - E_{\alpha,\beta}(-ix))$, respectively. The MATLAB code for the Mittag-Leffler function was provided by Podlubny [31].

4.2. Fractional Acoustic Wave Equations. In this section, we consider fractional acoustic wave equation (2) with initial conditions:

$$v(x, 0) = E_{\beta}(x^\beta) = v_0(x, t),$$

$$\rho(x, 0) = \sin \beta x^\beta = \rho_0(x, t).$$

(52)

First, the choose two linear fractional order operators:

$$L_1 [\Theta(x, t; q)] = \mathcal{D}_{0+}^\alpha \Theta(x, t; q),$$

$$L_2 [\Lambda(x, t; q)] = \mathcal{D}_{0+}^\alpha \Lambda(x, t; q).$$

(53)

Secondly, we define two linear operators as

$$L_1 [\Theta(x, t; q)] = \mathcal{D}_{0+}^\alpha \Theta(x, t; q),$$

$$L_2 [\Lambda(x, t; q)] = \mathcal{D}_{0+}^\alpha \Lambda(x, t; q).$$

(54)
The exact solution of $\rho(x, t)$ for $\alpha = 0.9$, $\beta = 0.9$

The approximate solution of $\rho(x, t)$ for $\alpha = 1$, $\beta = 1$

The approximate solution of $v(x, t)$ for $\alpha = 1$, $\beta = 1$

The approximate solution of $\rho(x, t)$ for $\alpha = 0.9$, $\beta = 0.9$

The approximate solution of $v(x, t)$ for $\alpha = 0.9$, $\beta = 0.9$

The approximate solution of $v(x, t)$ to model (1) with $\alpha = \beta = 1$ (truncate 15 items that were obtained by the HAM).

The approximate solution of $\rho(x, t)$ to model (1) with $\alpha = \beta = 0.9$ (truncate 15 items that were obtained by the HAM).

The approximate solution of $\rho(x, t)$ to model (1) with $\alpha = \beta = 1$ (truncate 15 items that were obtained by the HAM).

Figure 4: The exact solution $\rho(x, t)$ to model (1) with $\alpha = 0.9$, $\beta = 0.9$.

Figure 5: The approximate solution of $v(x, t)$ to model (1) with $\alpha = \beta = 1$ (truncate 15 items that were obtained by the HAM).

Figure 6: The approximate solution $v(x, t)$ to model (1) with $\alpha = \beta = 0.9$ (truncate 15 items that were obtained by the HAM).

Figure 7: The approximate solution of $\rho(x, t)$ to model (1) with $\alpha = \beta = 1$.

Figure 8: The approximate solution of $\rho(x, t)$ to model (1) with $\alpha = \beta = 0.9$ (truncate 15 items that were obtained by the HAM).

Figure 9: Absolute error of the exact solution and approximate solution $v(x, t)$ to model (1) with $\alpha = \beta = 1$. 
Using the abovementioned definitions and Lemma 2, similar to the method of the fractional Cauchy–Riemann equations, we get

\[v_0(x, t) = E_\beta x^\beta,\]

\[\rho_0(x, t) = \sin_\beta x^\beta,\]

\[v_1(x, t) = h^2 c_0^2 \cos_\beta x^\beta \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(1 + \alpha)},\]

\[\rho_1(x, t) = h b_0 E_\beta x^\beta \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(1 + \alpha)},\]

\[v_2(x, t) = (1 + h)v_1 + h^2 c_0^2 E_\beta x^\beta \frac{t^{2\alpha}}{\Gamma(1 + 2\alpha)} - h^3 c_0^4 \cos_\beta x^\beta \frac{t^{3\alpha}}{\Gamma(1 + 3\alpha)},\]

\[\rho_2(x, t) = (1 + h)\rho_1 - h^2 c_0^2 \sin_\beta x^\beta \frac{t^{2\alpha}}{\Gamma(1 + 2\alpha)},\]

\[v_3(x, t) = (1 + h)v_2 + h^2 b_0 I_{1,\beta}^\alpha c_0^2 D_0^\alpha (1 + h)v_1 + h^3 c_0^4 \cos_\beta x^\beta \frac{t^{3\alpha}}{\Gamma(1 + 3\alpha)},\]

\[\rho_3(x, t) = (1 + h)\rho_2 + h b_0 D_0^\alpha (1 + h)v_1 + h^3 c_0^4 b_0 E_\beta x^\beta \frac{t^{3\alpha}}{\Gamma(1 + 3\alpha)},\]

\[v_4(x, t) = (1 + h)v_3 + (1 + h)(\cdots) + h^4 c_0^4 E_\beta x^\beta \frac{t^{4\alpha}}{\Gamma(1 + 4\alpha)} - h^5 c_0^6 \cos_\beta x^\beta \frac{t^{4\alpha}}{\Gamma(1 + 4\alpha)},\]

\[\rho_4(x, t) = (1 + h)\rho_3 + (1 + h)(\cdots) + h^4 c_0^4 \sin_\beta x^\beta \frac{t^{4\alpha}}{\Gamma(1 + 4\alpha)} - \cdots.\]

By repeating this procedure for \(h = -1\), noting Definitions 6 and 7, we obtain the exact solutions.
\[
v(x,t) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} v_{2k}(x,t) + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} v_{2k-1}(x,t),
\]
\[
= E_\beta x^\beta \left( 1 + \frac{(c_0 t^\alpha)^2}{\Gamma(1+2\alpha)} + \frac{(c_0 t^\alpha)^4}{\Gamma(1+4\alpha)} + \cdots \right)
\]
\[
- \frac{c_0}{b_0} \cos \rho x^\rho \left( \frac{c_0 t^\alpha}{\Gamma(1+\alpha)} + \frac{(c_0 t^\alpha)^3}{\Gamma(1+3\alpha)} + \cdots \right).
\]
\[\text{with initial conditions } v(x,0) = e^x, \quad \rho(x,0) = \sin x.\]

4.3. Two-Dimensional Space Partial Differential Equation with a Time-Fractional-Order. In this section, we use the HAM to solve the two-dimensional space partial differential equation with a time-fractional-order of the following form:

\[\frac{\partial^\alpha}{\partial t^\alpha} u(x,y,t) = \frac{1}{\psi_1^2 + \psi_2^2} \Delta u(x,y,t),\]

with initial conditions

![Figure 13: Absolute error of the exact solution and approximate solution \(v(x,t)\) to fractional acoustic wave equation (2) with \(\alpha = \beta = 1\).](image13.png)

![Figure 14: Absolute error of the exact solution and approximate solution \(v(x,t)\) to fractional acoustic wave equation (2) with \(\alpha = 0.9, \beta = 0.9\).](image14.png)

![Figure 15: Absolute error of the exact solution and approximate solution \(\rho(x,t)\) to fractional acoustic wave equation (2) with \(\alpha = \beta = 1\).](image15.png)
and boundary conditions
\[ \theta(x, y, t) = \phi, \quad \psi(x, y, t) = 0, \quad \psi(0, y, t) = 0, \quad \psi(x, 0, t) = 0, \quad \psi(x, y, 0) = 0, \]

where 1 < \alpha \leq 2. First, we choose the linear fractional order operator

\[ L[\Theta(x, y, t; q)] = \frac{\partial^\alpha}{\partial t^\alpha} \Theta(x, y, t; q), \]

Secondly, we define the linear operator as

\[ N[\Theta(x, y, t; q)] = \frac{\partial^\alpha}{\partial t^\alpha} \Theta_{xx}(x, y, t; q) - \frac{\theta_{xx}(x, y, t; q)}{\varphi^2 + \psi^2}. \]

Using the abovementioned definitions and with assumption \( H(x, t) = 1 \), we construct the zeroth-order deformation equation (ZDE):

\[
(1 - q)L[\Theta(x, y, t; q) - \theta_0(x, y, t)] = qhN[\Theta(x, y, t; q)].
\]

Obviously, when \( q = 0 \) and \( q = 1 \), it holds

\[ \Theta(x, y, t; 0) = \theta_0(x, y, t) = u(x, y, 0) = \cos(\frac{2\pi y}{\varphi} \cos(\frac{2\pi y}{\psi})), \]

\[ \phi(x, y, t; 1) = u(x, y, t). \]

Thirdly, differentiating the ZDE \( m \) times with respect to \( q \), then setting \( q = 0 \), and dividing it by \( m! \), we get the \( m \)th-order deformation equation:

\[ L[u_m - \chi_m u_{m-1}] = hN[R_m(\frac{u_{m-1}}{u_{m-1}})], \]

where

\[
N[R_m(\frac{u_{m-1}}{u_{m-1}})] = \frac{\partial^m}{\partial q^m} \phi(x, y, t; q) \bigg|_{q=0},
\]

\[ u_m = \frac{1}{m!} \frac{\partial^m}{\partial q^m} \phi(x, y, t; q) \bigg|_{q=0}, \]

\[ \chi_m = \begin{cases} 0, & m = 1, \\ 1, & m > 1. \end{cases} \]

Finally, operating the operator \( L^{-1} \) on both the sides of equation (67), we have

\[
u_m = \chi_m u_{m-1} + hL^{-1}N[R_m(\frac{u_{m-1}}{u_{m-1}})].
\]

Calculating one by one, we get

\[ u_0 = \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{\varphi}\right) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi y}{\psi}\right), \]

\[ u_1 = h\left(\frac{2\pi}{\varphi\psi}\right)^2 \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{\varphi}\right) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi y}{\psi}\right) \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(1 + \alpha)}, \]

\[ u_2 = (1 + h)u_1 + h^3\left(\frac{2\pi}{\varphi\psi}\right)^4 \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{\varphi}\right) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi y}{\psi}\right) \frac{t^{2\alpha}}{\Gamma(1 + 2\alpha)}, \]

\[ u_3 = (1 + h)u_2 - \frac{h}{\varphi^2 + \psi^2} L^{1/2}(1 + h)u_{1,xx} + (1 + h)u_{1,yy}, \]

\[ + h^6\left(\frac{2\pi}{ab}\right)^6 \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{\varphi}\right) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi y}{\psi}\right) \frac{t^{3\alpha}}{\Gamma(1 + 3\alpha)}, \]

\[ u_4 = (1 + h)u_3 - h\left(L^{1/2}(1 + h)u_{2,xx} + (1 + h)u_{2,yy}\right) \frac{1}{\varphi^2 + \psi^2} \]

\[ + h^6\left(\frac{2\pi}{ab}\right)^6 \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{\varphi}\right) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi y}{\psi}\right) \frac{t^{3\alpha}}{\Gamma(1 + 3\alpha)}, \]

\[
\ldots\ldots
\]

By repeating this procedure for \( h = -1 \), we get the exact solution,
\[ u(x, y, t) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} u_k = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} u_{2k} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} u_{2k-1}, \]

\[ = \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{\psi} x\right) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{\psi} y\right) \cosh\left(\left(\frac{2\pi}{\psi}\right)^2 t^\alpha\right) \]

\[ - \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{\psi} x\right) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{\psi} y\right) \sinh\left(\left(\frac{2\pi}{\psi}\right)^2 t^\alpha\right). \]

(71)

for example 3. We omit the images of example 3.

5. Conclusions

In this paper, using the HAM, we obtained exact solutions for the fractional Cauchy–Riemann equations, fractional acoustic wave equations, and partial differential equation with a time-fractional-order. The absolute errors of the approximate solutions obtained by the HAM show that the approximate solutions are in good agreement with the exact solutions. Fractional differential equations are the generalization of integral ones. In fact, fractional models provide us with an adjustable parameter, which is the order of derivatives.

Data Availability

Data can be provided by the corresponding author upon reasonable request.

Conflicts of Interest

The authors declare that they have no conflicts of interest.

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