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On the Solution of Generalized Space Time Fractional Telegraph Equation

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We present the solution of generalized space time fractional telegraph equation by using Sumudu variational iteration method which is the combination of variational iteration method and Sumudu transform. We tried to overcome the difficulties in finding the value of Lagrange multiplier by this new technique.

1. Introduction

Differential calculus has its great importance in the field of Science and Technology [1]. The partial differential equations are one of the most powerful mathematical tools to describe, define, and explain the various phenomena of physics and chemistry and the process to solve them is a new interesting field to study. Telegraph equations are hyperbolic partial differential equations that gained remarkable interest due to their numerous applications in high-frequency transmission lines, propagation of electrical signals, optimization of guided communication system, and the propagation of quantum particles and many other physical and chemical phenomena. They are also applicable to designing high-voltage transmission lines.

Recently generalized space time fractional telegraph equations were used to describe number of chemical and physical phenomena with remarkably interesting results. The solutions of generalized space time fractional telegraph equations were obtained by the various numerical methods. Numerous investigations have been done to solve fractional

telegraph equations. The methods, namely, generalized differential transform, Fourier-Laplace transform, separations of variables, perturbation theory, and basic variational iteration, have been used to investigate the solution of homogeneous and nonhomogenous time fractional telegraph equation and the solutions are given in the form of Mittag-Leffler functions [2–6]. Nowadays variational iteration method is being used to solve many fractional differential equations and the presence of Sumudu transform is making the process rich.

In this paper we modified the variational iteration method (VIM) by making use of the Sumudu transform and apply it to generalized space time fractional telegraph equations. This Sumudu variational iteration method enables us to overcome the difficulties that arise in finding the general Lagrange multipliers.

2. Mathematical Preliminaries

Definition 1. The Caputo fractional derivative of order $\alpha > 0$ is defined as [7]

$$D_t^\alpha f(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{\partial^\alpha f(t)}{\partial t^\alpha} = \frac{1}{\Gamma(m-\alpha)} \int_0^t \frac{1}{(t-\tau)^{\alpha-m+1}} \frac{\partial^m f(\tau)}{\partial \tau^m} d\tau, & m-1 < \alpha \leq m, m \in N, \\ \frac{\partial^m f}{\partial t^m}, & \text{if } \alpha = m \in N, \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

where ${}_0D_t^\alpha$ is called the Caputo derivative operator. By using Definition 1, we have the following result:

$$D_t^\alpha (t^\beta) = \begin{cases} \frac{\Gamma(\beta+1)}{\Gamma(\beta-\alpha+1)} t^{\beta-\alpha}, & m-1 < \alpha \leq m, \beta > m-1, \beta \in \mathfrak{R}, \\ 0 & m-1 < \alpha \leq m, \beta \leq m-1. \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

Definition 2. For $n-1 < \alpha < n, 0 \leq \beta \leq 1, n \in N$, the generalized Hilfer fractional derivative [8, 9] is defined by

$$(D_{a^\pm}^{\alpha,\beta} f)(t) = \left(\pm I_t^{\beta(n-\alpha)} \frac{d}{dt} (I_t^{(1-\beta)(n-\alpha)} f) \right)(t). \quad (3)$$

In the definition above, type β allows $(D_{a^\pm}^{\alpha,\beta})$ to interpolate continuously between the classical Riemann-Liouville fractional derivative and the Caputo fractional derivative. Clearly, the case, $\beta = 0$, reverts back to yield the classical Riemann-Liouville fractional derivative:

$$D_{a^+}^{\alpha,0} f(t) = D^n I_t^{(n-\alpha)} f(t) = D_t^\alpha f(t), \quad 0 < \alpha < 1. \quad (4)$$

Furthermore, in the case $\beta = 1$, the Caputo fractional derivative is obtained:

$$D_{a^+}^{\alpha,1} f(t) = I_t^{(n-\alpha)} D^n f(t) = D_t^\alpha f(t), \quad 0 < \alpha < 1. \quad (5)$$

Definition 3. The Sumudu transform [10–12] over the set of functions

$$A = \left\{ f(t) \mid \exists M, \tau_1, \tau_2 > 0, |f(t)| < Me^{t/\tau_i}, \text{ if } t \in (-1)^j \times [0, \infty) \right\} \quad (6)$$

is defined as

$$G(u) = S[f(t)] = \int_0^\infty f(ut) e^{-t} dt, \quad u \in (-\tau_1, \tau_2). \quad (7)$$

And the Sumudu transform of generalized Hilfer fractional derivative $(D_{a^\pm}^{\alpha,\beta} y)(x)$ is given as follows:

$$S(D_{a^+}^{\alpha,\beta} y)(t) = u^{-\alpha} S[y(t)](u) - \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \left[u^{k-n+\beta(n-\alpha)} \lim_{t \rightarrow a^+} \frac{d^k}{dt^k} (I_{a^+}^{(n-\alpha)(1-\beta)} y)(t) \right]. \quad (8)$$

Definition 4. The two-parameter Mittag-Leffler function $E_{\alpha,\beta}(z)$ is defined [13] as

$$E_{\alpha,\beta}(z) = \sum_{k=0}^\infty \frac{z^k}{\Gamma(\alpha k + \beta)}, \quad (9)$$

where $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}; \Re(\alpha) > 0; \Re(\beta) > 0; z \in \mathbb{C}$.

By using Definition 4, we have

- (1) $E_{2,1}(z^2) = \cosh z$,
- (2) $E_{2,2}(z^2) = (\sinh z)/z$.

Definition 5. A generalization of Mittag-Leffler function $E_{\alpha,\beta}(z)$ of (9) is as follows [14]:

$$E_{\alpha,\beta}^\gamma(z) = \sum_{k=0}^\infty \frac{(\gamma)_k}{\Gamma(\alpha k + \beta)} \frac{z^k}{k!}, \quad (10)$$

where $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{C}; \Re(\alpha) > 0; \Re(\beta) > 0; z \in \mathbb{C}$ and γ_k denotes the familiar Pochhammer symbol or the shifted factorial, since

$$\begin{aligned} (1)_k &= k! \quad (k \in N_0), \\ (\gamma)_k &= \frac{\Gamma(\gamma+k)}{\Gamma(\gamma)} \\ &= \begin{cases} 1 & (k=0; \gamma \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}) \\ \gamma(\gamma+1)\cdots(\gamma+k-1) & (k \in N; \gamma \in \mathbb{C}) \end{cases} \quad (11) \\ & \quad (N_0 = N \cup \{0\} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}). \end{aligned}$$

3. Variational Iteration Method

The analytical technique used by many researchers to study linear and nonlinear partial differential equations is commonly known as the variational iteration method. This technique of variational iteration was developed by Chinese mathematician He [15]. To illustrate the basic idea of this method, we consider the general nonlinear system of the following form:

$$Lu(x, t) + Nu(x, t) = f(x, t), \quad (12)$$

where u is the unknown function, L and N are linear and nonlinear operators, respectively, and f is the source term.

The basic character of the method is to construct the following correction functional for (12):

$$\begin{aligned} u_{n+1}(x, t) &= u_n(x, t) \\ &+ \int_0^x \lambda [Lu_n(\xi, t) + Nu_n(\xi, t) - f(\xi, t)] d\xi, \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

where λ is called the general Lagrange multiplier [16] and u_n is the approximate solution of n th order. If we have seen the whole process of the Lagrange multipliers in the case of an algebraic equation then solution of the algebraic equation $f(x) = 0$ can be obtained by an iteration formula:

$$x_{n+1} = x_n + \lambda f(x_n). \quad (14)$$

The optimality condition for the extreme $\delta x_{n+1}/\delta x_n = 0$ leads to

$$\lambda = -\frac{1}{f'(x_n)}, \quad (15)$$

where δ is the classical variational operator.

4. Sumudu Variational Iteration Method (SVIM)

Consider the following generalized space time fractional telegraph equation:

$$D_{0+}^{\alpha, \alpha_1} v(x, t) = a_1 \frac{\partial^\beta v}{\partial t^\beta}(x, t) + a_2 \frac{\partial^\gamma v}{\partial t^\gamma}(x, t) + a_3 v(x, t) + f(x, t), \tag{16}$$

where $n - 1 < \alpha < n$; $0 < \alpha_1 \leq 1$; $\beta \leq 2$; $0 < \gamma \leq 1$; $x, t \geq 0$; $\partial^\beta / \partial t^\beta$ and $\partial^\gamma / \partial t^\gamma$ are Caputo derivatives defined by (1) and a_1, a_2, a_3 are constants.

Applying Sumudu transform with respect to x in both sides of (16),

$$S[D_{0+}^{\alpha, \alpha_1} v(x, t)] = S\left[a_1 \frac{\partial^\beta v}{\partial t^\beta}(x, t) + a_2 \frac{\partial^\gamma v}{\partial t^\gamma}(x, t) + a_3 v(x, t) + f(x, t) \right]. \tag{17}$$

Using (8) with $a = 0$ we get

$$u^{-\alpha} \bar{v}(u, t) - \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \left[u^{k-n+\alpha_1(n-\alpha)} I_{0+}^{(n-\alpha)(1-\alpha_1)} v^k(0, t) - S\left[a_1 \frac{\partial^\beta v}{\partial t^\beta}(x, t) + a_2 \frac{\partial^\gamma v}{\partial t^\gamma}(x, t) + a_3 v(x, t) + f(x, t) \right] \right] = 0. \tag{18}$$

By the formula of (14), we get the iteration formula for the above as follows:

$$\bar{v}_{n+1}(u, t) = \bar{v}_n(u, t) + \lambda \left[u^{-\alpha} \bar{v}_n(u, t) - \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \left[u^{k-n+\alpha_1(n-\alpha)} I_{0+}^{(n-\alpha)(1-\alpha_1)} v^k(0, t) - S\left(a_1 \frac{\partial^\beta v_n}{\partial t^\beta}(x, t) + a_2 \frac{\partial^\gamma v_n}{\partial t^\gamma}(x, t) + a_3 v_n(x, t) + f(x, t) \right) \right] \right]. \tag{19}$$

Putting $\lambda = -u^\alpha$, the Lagrange multiplier in (19) becomes

$$\bar{v}_{n+1}(u, t) = \left[u^\alpha \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \left[u^{k-n+\alpha_1(n-\alpha)} I_{0+}^{(n-\alpha)(1-\alpha_1)} v^k(0, t) + u^\alpha S\left(a_1 \frac{\partial^\beta v_n}{\partial t^\beta}(x, t) + a_2 \frac{\partial^\gamma v_n}{\partial t^\gamma}(x, t) + a_3 v_n(x, t) + f(x, t) \right) \right] \right]. \tag{20}$$

Now taking inverse Sumudu transform on both sides of (20),

$$v_{n+1}(u, t) = S^{-1} \left[u^\alpha \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \left[u^{k-n+\alpha_1(n-\alpha)} I_{0+}^{(n-\alpha)(1-\alpha_1)} v^k(0, t) + u^\alpha S\left(a_1 \frac{\partial^\beta v_n}{\partial t^\beta}(x, t) + a_2 \frac{\partial^\gamma v_n}{\partial t^\gamma}(x, t) + a_3 v_n(x, t) + f(x, t) \right) \right] \right]. \tag{21}$$

This is the iteration formula for solving generalized space time fractional telegraph equation with the following initial iteration:

$$v_0(x, t) = S^{-1} \left(\sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \left[u^{k-n+\alpha_1(n-\alpha)+\alpha} I_{0+}^{(n-\alpha)(1-\alpha_1)} v^k(0, t) \right] \right). \tag{22}$$

5. Main Results

Theorem 6. Consider the space time fractional homogenous telegraph equation

$$D_{0+}^{\alpha, \alpha_1} v(x, t) = \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial t^2}(x, t) + \frac{\partial v}{\partial t}(x, t) + v(x, t), \tag{23}$$

$x, t \geq 0, 1 < \alpha \leq 2, 0 < \alpha_1 \leq 1,$

with initial conditions

$$I_{0+}^{(1-\alpha)(1-\alpha_1)} v(0, t) = e^{-t}, \tag{24}$$

$$I_{0+}^{(2-\alpha)(1-\alpha_1)} v'(0, t) = e^{-t}$$

has the solution in closed form as

$$v(x, t) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} v_n(x, t) = e^{-t} x^{\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+\alpha-1} \left[E_{\alpha, \alpha_1(1-\alpha)+\alpha}(x^\alpha) + x^{\alpha_1} E_{\alpha, \alpha_1(2-\alpha)+\alpha}(x^\alpha) \right]. \tag{25}$$

Proof. We have the following space time fractional homogenous equation:

$$D_{0+}^{\alpha, \alpha_1} v(x, t) = \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial t^2}(x, t) + \frac{\partial v}{\partial t}(x, t) + v(x, t). \tag{26}$$

By using iteration formula (21) derived above, we get the following iteration for (26):

$$v_{n+1}(x, t) = S^{-1} \left[\sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \left[u^{k-n+\alpha_1(n-\alpha)+\alpha} I_{0+}^{(n-\alpha)(1-\alpha_1)} v^k(0, t) + u^\alpha S\left(\frac{\partial^2 v_n}{\partial t^2}(x, t) + \frac{\partial v_n}{\partial t}(x, t) + v_n(x, t) \right) \right] \right]. \tag{27}$$

The initial iteration is

$$\begin{aligned}
 v_0(x, t) &= S^{-1} \left(\sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \left[u^{k-n+\alpha_1(n-\alpha)+\alpha} I_{0+}^{(n-\alpha)(1-\alpha_1)} v^k(0, t) \right] \right), \\
 v_0(x, t) &= S^{-1} \left[u^{-1+\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+\alpha} e^{-t} + u^{-1+\alpha_1(2-\alpha)+\alpha} e^{-t} \right], \quad (28) \\
 v_0(x, t) &= \frac{x^{\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+\alpha)} e^{-t} + \frac{x^{\alpha_1(2-\alpha)+\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha_1(2-\alpha)+\alpha)} e^{-t}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Now by putting the values of “n” we get the iterations. For $v_1(x, t)$ put $n = 0$ in (27); we find

$$\begin{aligned}
 v_1(x, t) &= S^{-1} \left[u^{-1+\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+\alpha} e^{-t} + u^{-1+\alpha_1(2-\alpha)+\alpha} e^{-t} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + u^\alpha S \left(\frac{\partial^2 v_0}{\partial t^2}(x, t) + \frac{\partial v_0}{\partial t}(x, t) + v_0(x, t) \right) \right], \quad (29)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 v_1(x, t) &= S^{-1} \left[u^{-1+\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+\alpha} e^{-t} + u^{-1+\alpha_1(2-\alpha)+\alpha} e^{-t} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + u^\alpha S \left(\frac{x^{\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+\alpha)} e^{-t} \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. + \frac{x^{\alpha_1(2-\alpha)+\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha_1(2-\alpha)+\alpha)} e^{-t} \right) \right], \quad (30)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 v_1(x, t) &= S^{-1} \left[u^{-1+\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+\alpha} e^{-t} + u^{-1+\alpha_1(2-\alpha)+\alpha} e^{-t} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + u^{-1+\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+2\alpha} e^{-t} + u^{-1+\alpha_1(2-\alpha)+2\alpha} e^{-t} \right]. \quad (31)
 \end{aligned}$$

Taking inverse Sumudu transform of (31) we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 v_1(x, t) &= \frac{x^{\alpha+\alpha_1(1-\alpha)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha+\alpha_1(1-\alpha))} e^{-t} \\
 &\quad + \frac{x^{\alpha+\alpha_1(2-\alpha)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha+\alpha_1(2-\alpha))} e^{-t} \\
 &\quad + \frac{x^{2\alpha+\alpha_1(1-\alpha)-1}}{\Gamma(2\alpha+\alpha_1(1-\alpha))} e^{-t} \\
 &\quad + \frac{x^{2\alpha+\alpha_1(2-\alpha)-1}}{\Gamma(2\alpha+\alpha_1(2-\alpha))} e^{-t}. \quad (32)
 \end{aligned}$$

For $n = 1$, $v_2(x, t)$ is given by the following iteration:

$$\begin{aligned}
 v_2(x, t) &= S^{-1} \left[u^{-1+\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+\alpha} e^{-t} + u^{-1+\alpha_1(2-\alpha)+\alpha} e^{-t} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + u^\alpha S \left(\frac{\partial^2 v_1}{\partial t^2}(x, t) + \frac{\partial v_1}{\partial t}(x, t) + v_1(x, t) \right) \right], \\
 v_2(x, t) &= \frac{x^{\alpha+\alpha_1(1-\alpha)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha+\alpha_1(1-\alpha))} e^{-t} + \frac{x^{\alpha+\alpha_1(2-\alpha)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha+\alpha_1(2-\alpha))} \\
 &\quad \cdot e^{-t} + \frac{x^{2\alpha+\alpha_1(1-\alpha)-1}}{\Gamma(2\alpha+\alpha_1(1-\alpha))} e^{-t} \\
 &\quad + \frac{x^{2\alpha+\alpha_1(2-\alpha)-1}}{\Gamma(2\alpha+\alpha_1(2-\alpha))} e^{-t} + \frac{x^{3\alpha+\alpha_1(1-\alpha)-1}}{\Gamma(3\alpha+\alpha_1(1-\alpha))} e^{-t} \\
 &\quad + \frac{x^{3\alpha+\alpha_1(2-\alpha)-1}}{\Gamma(3\alpha+\alpha_1(2-\alpha))} e^{-t}. \quad (33)
 \end{aligned}$$

□

Then the general term in successive approximation is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 v_n(x, t) &= e^{-t} \sum_{k=0}^n x^{(k+1)\alpha+\alpha_1(1-\alpha)-1} \left[\frac{1}{\Gamma((k+1)\alpha+\alpha_1(1-\alpha))} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{x^{\alpha_1}}{\Gamma((k+1)\alpha+\alpha_1(2-\alpha))} \right]. \quad (34)
 \end{aligned}$$

The solution in a closed form is given as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 v(x, t) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} v_n(x, t) \\
 &= e^{-t} x^{\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+\alpha-1} \left[E_{\alpha, \alpha_1(1-\alpha)+\alpha}(x^\alpha) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + x^{\alpha_1} E_{\alpha, \alpha_1(2-\alpha)+\alpha}(x^\alpha) \right]. \quad (35)
 \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 7. Consider the following generalized space time fractional nonhomogenous telegraph equation

$$\begin{aligned}
 D_{0+}^{\alpha, \alpha_1} v(x, t) &= \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial t^2}(x, t) + \frac{\partial v}{\partial t}(x, t) + v(x, t) - x^2 \\
 &\quad - t + 1, \quad (36) \\
 1 < \alpha \leq 2, \quad 0 < \gamma \leq 1, \quad 0 < \alpha_1 \leq 1 \quad x, t \geq 0,
 \end{aligned}$$

with initial conditions

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_0^{(1-\alpha)(1-\alpha_1)} v(0, t) &= t, \\
 I_0^{(2-\alpha)(1-\alpha_1)} v_x(0, t) &= 0 \quad (37)
 \end{aligned}$$

has the solution in closed form as

$$\begin{aligned} v(x, t) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} v_n(x, t) = x^2 [1 - 2E_{\alpha,3}(x^\alpha)] \\ &+ \left(1 - t + \frac{t^{1-\gamma}}{\Gamma(2-\gamma)}\right) [E_{\alpha,1}(x^\alpha) - 1] \\ &+ t x^{\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+\alpha-1} E_{\alpha,\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+\alpha}(x^\alpha) \\ &+ [x^{\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+\alpha-1} E_{\alpha,\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+\alpha}^1(x^\alpha) - E_{\alpha,1}^1(x^\alpha)] \\ &\cdot \frac{t^{1-\gamma}}{\Gamma(2-\gamma)}. \end{aligned} \tag{38}$$

Proof. We have the following space time fractional nonhomogenous telegraph equation:

$$\begin{aligned} D_{0+}^{\alpha,\alpha_1}(x, t) &= \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial t^2}(x, t) + \frac{\partial v^\gamma}{\partial t^\gamma}(x, t) + v(x, t) - x^2 - t \\ &+ 1. \end{aligned} \tag{39}$$

By using iteration formula (21) derived above, we get the following iteration for (39):

$$\begin{aligned} v_{n+1}(x, t) &= S^{-1} \left[\sum_{k=0}^{m-1} [u^{k-n+\alpha_1(n-\alpha)+\alpha} I_{0+}^{(n-\alpha)(1-\alpha_1)} v^k(0, t)] \right. \\ &+ u^\alpha S \left(\frac{\partial^2 v_n}{\partial t^2}(x, t) + \frac{\partial v_n^\gamma}{\partial t^\gamma}(x, t) + v_n(x, t) - x^2 \right. \\ &\left. \left. - t + 1 \right) \right]. \end{aligned} \tag{40}$$

The initial iteration $v_0(x, t)$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} v_0(x, t) &= S^{-1} \left(\sum_{k=0}^{m-1} [u^{k-n+\alpha_1(n-\alpha)+\alpha} I_{0+}^{(n-\alpha)(1-\alpha_1)} v^k(0, t)] \right), \end{aligned} \tag{41}$$

$$v_0(x, t) = S^{-1} [u^{-1+\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+\alpha} I_{0+}^{(1-\alpha)(1-\alpha_1)} v(0, t)].$$

Using initial conditions (37), we get

$$v_0(x, t) = S^{-1} [u^{-1+\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+\alpha} t]. \tag{42}$$

Taking inverse Sumudu transform we find the initial iteration as

$$v_0(x, t) = \frac{x^{\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+\alpha)} t. \tag{43}$$

Now by putting the values of “ n ” we get the iterations. For $v_1(x, t)$ put $n = 0$ in (40); we have

$$\begin{aligned} v_1(x, t) &= S^{-1} \left[u^{-1+\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+\alpha} t + u^\alpha S \left(\frac{\partial^2 v_0}{\partial t^2}(x, t) \right. \right. \\ &\left. \left. + \frac{\partial v_0^\gamma}{\partial t^\gamma}(x, t) + v_0(x, t) - x^2 - t + 1 \right) \right]. \end{aligned} \tag{44}$$

Taking Sumudu transform after solving the derivative terms we get

$$\begin{aligned} v_1(x, t) &= S^{-1} \left[u^{\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+\alpha-1} t + u^{\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+2\alpha-1} \frac{t^{1-\gamma}}{\Gamma(2-\gamma)} \right. \\ &\left. + u^{\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+2\alpha-1} t - 2u^{2+\alpha} - t u^\alpha + u^\alpha \right]. \end{aligned} \tag{45}$$

Applying inverse Sumudu transform,

$$\begin{aligned} v_1(x, t) &= \frac{x^{\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+\alpha)} t \\ &+ \frac{x^{\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+2\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+2\alpha)} \frac{t^{1-\gamma}}{\Gamma(2-\gamma)} \\ &+ \frac{x^{\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+2\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+2\alpha)} t - 2 \frac{x^{\alpha+2}}{\Gamma(\alpha+3)} \\ &- \frac{x^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} t + \frac{x^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)}, \\ v_2(x, t) &= \frac{x^{\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+\alpha)} t \\ &+ \frac{x^{\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+2\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+2\alpha)} \frac{t^{1-\gamma}}{\Gamma(2-\gamma)} \\ &- \frac{x^{2\alpha}}{\Gamma(2\alpha+1)} t - \frac{x^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} t \\ &+ \frac{x^{\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+2\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+2\alpha)} t \\ &+ \frac{x^{\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+3\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+3\alpha)} t \\ &+ 2 \frac{x^{\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+3\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+3\alpha)} \frac{t^{1-\gamma}}{\Gamma(2-\gamma)} \\ &- 2 \frac{x^{2\alpha+2}}{\Gamma(2\alpha+3)} + \frac{x^{2\alpha}}{\Gamma(2\alpha+1)} \\ &- 2 \frac{x^{\alpha+2}}{\Gamma(\alpha+3)} + \frac{x^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \\ &- \frac{x^{2\alpha}}{\Gamma(2\alpha+1)} \frac{t^{1-\gamma}}{\Gamma(2-\gamma)}. \end{aligned} \tag{46}$$

□

Then the general term in successive approximation is given by

$$\begin{aligned} v_n(x, t) &= t \frac{x^{\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+\alpha)} \\ &+ t \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{x^{\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+(k+1)\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+(k+1)\alpha)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -2x^2 \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{x^{k\alpha}}{\Gamma(k\alpha + 3)} \\
 & + \frac{t^{1-\gamma}}{\Gamma(2-\gamma)} \sum_{k=1}^n k \frac{x^{\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+(k+1)\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha_1(1-\alpha) + (k+1)\alpha)} \\
 & + (1-t) \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{x^{k\alpha}}{\Gamma(k\alpha + 1)} \\
 & - \frac{t^{1-\gamma}}{\Gamma(2-\gamma)} \sum_{k=1}^n (k-1) \frac{x^{k\alpha}}{\Gamma(k\alpha + 1)}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{47}$$

The solution in a closed form is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 v(x, t) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} v_n(x, t) = x^2 [1 - 2E_{\alpha,3}(x^\alpha)] \\
 &+ \left(1 - t + \frac{t^{1-\gamma}}{\Gamma(2-\gamma)}\right) [E_{\alpha,1}(x^\alpha) - 1] \\
 &+ tx^{\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+\alpha-1} E_{\alpha,\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+\alpha}(x^\alpha) \\
 &+ [x^{\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+\alpha-1} E_{\alpha,\alpha_1(1-\alpha)+\alpha}^1(x^\alpha) - E_{\alpha,1}^1(x^\alpha)] \\
 &\cdot \frac{t^{1-\gamma}}{\Gamma(2-\gamma)}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{48}$$

6. Special Cases

If we take $\alpha_1 = 1$, in above Theorems 6 and 7, we have the results obtained by Alawad et al. [3].

Corollary 8. *The space time fractional homogenous telegraph equation*

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial^\alpha v}{\partial x^\alpha}(x, t) &= \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial t^2}(x, t) + \frac{\partial v}{\partial t}(x, t) + v(x, t), \\
 x, t \geq 0, \quad 1 < \alpha \leq 2,
 \end{aligned} \tag{49}$$

with the initial conditions

$$\begin{aligned}
 v(0, t) &= e^{-t}, \\
 v_x(0, t) &= e^{-t}
 \end{aligned} \tag{50}$$

has the solution in closed form as

$$v(x, t) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} v(x, t) = e^{-t} [E_{\alpha,1}(x^\alpha) + xE_{\alpha,2}(x^\alpha)]. \tag{51}$$

Remark 9. If we put $\alpha = 2$ in (51) then the following solution is same as that obtained by Wazwaz [17]:

$$\begin{aligned}
 v(x, t) &= e^{-t} [E_{2,1}(x^2) + xE_{2,2}(x^2)] \\
 &= e^{-t} \left[\cosh(x) + x \frac{\sinh(x)}{x} \right] = e^{x-t}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{52}$$

Corollary 10. *The space time fractional nonhomogenous telegraph equation*

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial^\alpha v}{\partial x^\alpha}(x, t) &= \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial t^2}(x, t) + \frac{\partial v}{\partial t}(x, t) + v(x, t) - x^2 - t \\
 &+ 1, \quad 1 < \alpha \leq 2, \quad 0 < \gamma \leq 1, \quad x, t \geq 0,
 \end{aligned} \tag{53}$$

with initial conditions

$$\begin{aligned}
 v(0, t) &= t, \\
 v_x(0, t) &= 0
 \end{aligned} \tag{54}$$

has the solution as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 v(x, t) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} v_n(x, t) \\
 &= t + x^2 [1 - 2E_{\alpha,3}(x^\alpha)] \\
 &+ \left(1 + \frac{t^{1-\gamma}}{\Gamma(2-\gamma)}\right) [E_{\alpha,1}(x^\alpha) - 1].
 \end{aligned} \tag{55}$$

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