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Design of neuro-swarming heuristic solver for multi-pantograph singular delay differential equation

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Abstract

The current research work is to design a neural-swarming heuristic procedure for numerical investigations of Singular Multi-Pantograph Delay Differential (SMP-DD) equation by applying the function approximation aptitude of Artificial Neural Networks (ANNs) optimized efficient swarming mechanism based on Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO) integrated with convex optimization with Active Set (AS) algorithm for rapid refinements, named as ANN-PSO-AS, A merit function (MF) on mean squared error sense is designed by using the differential ANN models and boundary condition. The optimization of this MF is executed with the global PSO and local search AS approaches. The planned ANN-PSO-AS approach is instigated for three different SMP-DD model based equations. The assessment with available standard results relieved the effectiveness, robustness and precision that is further authenticated through statistical investigations of Variance Account For, root mean squared error, Semi Interquartile Range and Theil's inequality coefficient performances.

Keywords: Multi-pantograph systems; Particle swarm optimization, Neural networks; Active-set algorithm; Numerical computing; Statistical measures

1. INTRODUCTION

The singular multi-pantograph delay differential (SMP-DD) equations is considered very important due to its wide-ranging applications in the theory of statistics, physics, electrodynamics, astrophysics, number theory, direction-finding control of ships, engineering, quantum mechanics, finances, chemical sciences, nonlinear dynamical models, chemical kinetics, cell growth, electronic models, infectious viruses and medicine [1-7]. The literature form of the second kind of SMP-DD equation is given as [8]:

$$Y''(\chi) + \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{P_k(\chi)} Y'(r_k \chi) + \frac{1}{Q(\chi)} Y(\chi) = G(\chi), \tag{1}$$

$$0 < \chi, r_k < 1, \quad k = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n,$$

$$Y(0) = A_1, \quad Y'(0) = A_2,$$

where $P_k(\chi)$ and $Q(\chi)$ are the continuous functions and only a few schemes based on analytical or numerical exist in the literature to solve SMP-DD equation. Some reported studies in this regard for SMP-DD equation can be seen in [9-11]. It is not easy to solve the SMP-DD equation based model (1) due to its harder nature, i.e., multi-pantographs and multi-singular points. All the cited approaches in [9-11] have their specific efficiency, accuracy, performance and limitations. Alongside these mentioned stochastic approaches, the numerical solvers using the heuristic/swarm schemes [12-14] look proficient to integrate the area of multi-pantographs and multi-singular points based nonlinear systems. Some up-to-dated applications of these solvers are nonlinear optics [15], Thomas-Fermi singular model [16], financial market prediction [17], mosquito dispersal model [18], singular three-point model [19], nonlinear system of prey-predator equations [20], singular fourth order model [21], plasma physics problems [22], magnetohydrodynamic studies [23], singular model of Lane-Emden using the Morlet wavelet function [24], fluid dynamics [25], model of heartbeat dynamics [26], corneal shape model [27], multi-singularity based nonlinear models [28], nonlinear models arising in electric circuits [29], nonlinear reactive transport model [30], SIR nonlinear mathematical model for the dynamics of the dengue fever [31], HIV infection model of CD4+ T cells [32], functional differential based singular system [33-34] and nonlinear Riccati equation [35], doubly singular multi-fractional order Lane - Emden system [36], nonlinear unipolar electrohydrodynamic pump flow model [37], future generation disease control mechanism for nonlinear system of COVID-19 epidemic model [38], 3D flow of Eyring-Powell magneto-nanofluidic model [39] and nonlinear dusty plasma system [40]. The aim of this research is to discuss the 2nd order SMP-DD system together with the numerical simulations for superior model understanding using the stochastic approach through Artificial Neural Networks (ANNs) trained with Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO) aided with the Active-Set (AS) algorithm, called as ANN-PSO-AS scheme. Few potential structures of the suggested ANN-PSO-AS algorithm are briefly narrated as follows:

- A novel integrated intelligent approach ANN-PSO-AS is proposed for the numerical treatment of the second order SMP-DD equation based models.
- Overlapping outcomes using the proposed scheme ANN-PSO-AS from reference results for different SMP-DD based examples demonstrated the worth by means of accuracy and convergence indicators.
- Performance of the ANN-PSO-AS solver is endorsed via

statistical investigation on multiple executions means of Variance Account For (VAF), root mean square error (RMSE), Semi Interquartile Range (SI-R) and Theil' s inequality coefficient (TIC) performance metrics.

- Beside the accurate outcomes for the second order SMP-DD equation, ease of understanding the concepts, consistency, smooth operation, exhaustive applicability and robustness are other appreciated perks.

The rest of the work is organized as follows: Sect 2 presents the ANN-PSO-AS algorithm; performance indices are provided in Sect 3. The numerical solutions of the second order SMP-DD model is given in Sect 4. Whereas, conclusions and future research plans are given in Sect 5.

2. SOLUTION PROCEDURE: The framework for solving the second order SMP-DD model is provided in two sections.

- Introducing a mean squared error sense merit/cost function (MF) for solving the differential equation with initial conditions.
- The combination of ANN-PSO-AS algorithm is accessible to optimize the MF for second order SMP-DD model.

2.1 ANN modeling procedures: The ANNs type of models presented by many researchers to solve the linear/nonlinear structures in various areas [41-42]. The feed-forward ANN based models are used to approximate the continuous mapping solutions and the corresponding derivatives taking the log-sigmoid activation function

$S(\chi) = (1 + e^{-\chi})^{-1}$ is shown as:

$$\hat{Y}(\chi) = \sum_{i=1}^k z_i S(w_i \chi + a_i) = \sum_{i=1}^k z_i (1 + e^{-(w_i \chi + a_i)})^{-1},$$

$$\hat{Y}'(\chi) = \sum_{i=1}^k z_i S'(w_i \chi + a_i)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^k z_i w_i e^{-(w_i \chi + a_i)} (1 + e^{-(w_i \chi + a_i)})^{-2}, \tag{2}$$

$$\hat{Y}''(\chi) = \sum_{i=1}^k z_i S''(w_i \chi + a_i)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^k z_i w_i^2 \left(\frac{2e^{-2(w_i \chi + a_i)} (1 + e^{-(w_i \chi + a_i)})^{-3} - e^{-(w_i \chi + a_i)} (1 + e^{-(w_i \chi + a_i)})^{-2}}{1} \right),$$

where the weights are $\mathbf{z} = [z_1, z_2, z_3, \dots, z_m]$, $\mathbf{w} = [w_1, w_2, w_3, \dots, w_m]$ and $\mathbf{a} = [a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_m]$. For solving the second order SMP-DD model presented in equation (1), an error-based function is introduced as follows:

$$e_{FIT} = e_{FIT-1} + e_{FIT-2}, \tag{3}$$

where e_{FIT-1} and e_{FIT-2} are an unsupervised error functions related to second order SMP-DD model and initial conditions, given as:

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$$e_{FIT-1} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \left(\hat{Y}_i^n + \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{P_{k,i}} \hat{Y}_{k,i}' + \frac{1}{Q_i} \hat{Y}_i - G_i \right)^2, \quad (4)$$

$$r_k < 1, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, n, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, N$$

where $Nh = 1$, $P_{k,i} = P_i(\chi_k)$, $Q_i = Q(\chi_i)$, $\hat{Y}_i = \hat{Y}(\chi_i)$, $\hat{Y}_{k,i}' = \hat{Y}'(r_k \chi_i)$, $\chi_i = kh$. Similarly, e_{FIT-2} is the error function associated to the initial conditions, written as:

$$e_{FIT-2} = \frac{1}{2} \left((\hat{Y}_0)^2 + (\hat{Y}_N)^2 \right). \quad (5)$$

2.2 Network Optimization: PSO-AS approach

The combined framework of PSO and AS approach ratifies the optimization of the parameters for solving the second order SMP-DD model given in equation (1).

There are many global search schemes, among them PSO is a well-known global search algorithm used as an optimization solver. PSO works as an alteration of genetic algorithm process, which is introduced by Eberhart and Kennedy in the previous century [43-44]. It is metaheuristic in nature due to its optimization capabilities in large search spaces. The execution process of the PSO as compared to GA is relatively efficient to implement due to the less memory requirement. In the optimization of PSO approach, initial swarm spreads in the larger domain. To improve the PSO, the procedure gives iteratively optimal results $P_{LB}^{\phi-1}$ and $P_{GB}^{\phi-1}$, which designate the position and velocity of the swarm, written as:

$$\mathbf{X}_i^\phi = \mathbf{X}_i^{\phi-1} + \mathbf{V}_i^{\phi-1}, \quad (6)$$

$$\mathbf{V}_i^\phi = \Psi \mathbf{V}_i^{\phi-1} + \phi_1 (\mathbf{P}_{LB}^{\phi-1} - \mathbf{X}_i^{\phi-1}) \mathbf{r}_1 + \phi_2 (\mathbf{P}_{GB}^{\phi-1} - \mathbf{X}_i^{\phi-1}) \mathbf{r}_2, \quad (7)$$

where Ψ is the inertia weight vector, \mathbf{X} is the position and \mathbf{V} represents velocity. Whereas, ϕ_1 and ϕ_2 are the constant for acceleration factors.

PSO has widespread applications in parameter estimation of plane waves [45], nonlinear electric circuits [46], nonlinear optimization problems [47], reactive power dispatch problems [48], active-noise control systems [49], optimization in atomic power plants [50] and design of novel epidemic models [51].

The convergence performance of the PSO scheme is boosted by the hybridization of a local search technique. In this regard, "active-set" (AS) algorithm is used for quick modification of the results. Active-set is a valuable scheme that confines the system model for better understanding along with optimization of the proposed system. Recently, AS method is applied for convex unconstrained and constrained optimization problems reported in [52-55].

In this work, the PSO-AS method is functional to present the solution of the second order SMP-DD model provided in equation (1). The detail of the pseudocode using the ANN-PSO-AS method is tabulated in Table 1.

3. PERFORMANCE METRICS: The section presents the mathematical form of the statistical operators based on VAF, RMSE and TIC for solving three variants of second order SMP-DD system. The mathematical forms are introduced as:

$$VAF = \left(1 - \frac{\text{var}(Y_i(\chi) - \hat{Y}_i(\chi))}{\text{var}(Y_i(\chi))} \right) * 100, \quad (8)$$

$$EVAF = |VAF - 100|, \quad (9)$$

$$RMSE = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \hat{Y}_i)^2} \quad (10)$$

$$TIC = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \hat{Y}_i)^2}}{\left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i^2} + \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{Y}_i^2} \right)}, \quad (10)$$

Table 1: Optimization process using the designed ANN-PSO-AS approach

Start of PSO	
... Step 1: Initialization:	Randomly generate the primary swarms. Transform the parameters of the 'PSO' and 'optimoptions'.
... Step 2: Fitness formulation:	Using equation (3), scrutinize the 'fitness values' of each particle.
... Step 3: Ranking:	Rank individually the particle for minimum values of the "Merit function".
... Step 4: Stopping Standards:	Dismiss if <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "Fitness level" accomplished. • Selected "flights/cycles" executed. When "stopping" standard meets, move to Step 5
... Step 5: Renewal:	By using equations (6) and (7), call the "position" and "velocity"
... Step 6: Improvement:	Repeat the step (2)→(6), until the whole 'flights' are achieved.
... Step 7: Storage:	Save the best "Merit function values", represented as "best global particle"
PSO process Ends	
Start the PSO-AS approach	
Inputs:	Global best values
Output:	W_{PSO-AS} signifies the best PSO-AS approach values
Initialize:	Used "Global best values" as a start point
Termination:	Stop if {Fitness= $e_{FIT} = 10^{-18}$ }, {Generation=700},

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{TolCon = TolX = TolFun = 10⁻²¹} and {MaxFunEvals = 275000} gets the above standards.
While {Stop}
Calculation of Fitness: Use e_{FIT} for the "fitness values" given in equation (3)
Adjustments: Invoke the 'fmincon' routine for the AS approach to finetune the values of the "weight vector". Move to "fitness step" using the "weight vector's" updated form.
Store: Store the W_{PSO-AS} , iterations, e_{FIT} , function count and time for the present trial.
PSO-AS approach Ends

4. RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS: The detailed discussion of the results to solve three different examples based on second order SMP-DD model is provided in this section.

Example I: Consider the second order SMP-DD equation involving exponential functions is written as:

$$Y''(\chi) + \frac{1}{\chi} Y' \left(\frac{\chi}{2} \right) + \frac{1}{\chi^2} Y' \left(\frac{\chi}{4} \right) + \frac{1}{1-\chi} Y(\chi) = H(\chi), \quad (11)$$

$$0 < \chi \leq 1,$$

$$Y(0) = 1, Y'(0) = 1,$$

where

$$H(\chi) = -\frac{\left(e^{\frac{\chi}{4}}(\chi-1) \right)}{4} - \frac{\left(\chi e^{\frac{\chi}{2}}(\chi-1) \right)}{2} - e^{\chi}(\chi-2)\chi^2.$$

The exact solution of the second order SMP-DD equation (11) is e^{χ} and the MF function becomes as:

$$e_{FIT} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{m=1}^N \left[\begin{aligned} &\chi_m^2(1-\chi_m)\hat{Y}''(\chi_m) + \\ &\chi_m(1-\chi_m)\hat{Y}'\left(\frac{1}{2}\chi_m\right) + \\ &(1-\chi_m)\hat{Y}'\left(\frac{1}{4}\chi_m\right) + \\ &\chi_m^2 F_m - \chi_m^2(1-\chi_m)H_m \end{aligned} \right]^2 + \frac{1}{2} \left((\hat{Y}_0 - 1)^2 + (\hat{Y}'_0 - 1)^2 \right). \quad (12)$$

Example II: Let a 2nd order SMP-DD system with trigonometric expressions as:

$$Y''(\chi) + \frac{1}{\chi} Y' \left(\frac{\chi}{2} \right) + \frac{1}{\chi^2} Y' \left(\frac{\chi}{4} \right) + \frac{1}{1-\chi} Y(\chi) = R(\chi), \quad (13)$$

$$0 < \chi \leq 1,$$

$$Y(0) = 1, Y'(0) = 0,$$

where $R(\chi) = \frac{\chi}{1-\chi} \cos \chi - \frac{1}{\chi} \sin \left(\frac{\chi}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{\chi^2} \sin \left(\frac{\chi}{4} \right).$

The exact solution of the second order SMP-DD equation (13) is $\text{Cos}(\chi)$ and the MF function becomes as:

$$e_{FIT} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{m=1}^N \left[\begin{aligned} &\chi_m^2(1-\chi_m)\hat{Y}''(\chi_m) + \\ &\chi_m(1-\chi_m)\hat{Y}'\left(\frac{1}{2}\chi_m\right) + \\ &(1-\chi_m)\hat{Y}'\left(\frac{1}{4}\chi_m\right) + \\ &\chi_m^2 F_m - \chi_m^2(1-\chi_m)R_m \end{aligned} \right]^2 + \frac{1}{2} \left((\hat{Y}_0 - 1)^2 + (\hat{Y}'_0)^2 \right). \quad (14)$$

Example III: Let a 2nd order SMP-DD system with hyperbolic trigonometric expressions as:

$$Y''(\chi) + \frac{1}{\chi} Y' \left(\frac{\chi}{2} \right) + \frac{1}{\chi^2} Y' \left(\frac{\chi}{4} \right) + \frac{1}{1-\chi} Y(\chi) = G(\chi), \quad (15)$$

$$0 < \chi \leq 1,$$

$$Y(0) = 0, Y'(0) = 1,$$

where

$$G(\chi) = \frac{2-\chi}{1-\chi} \text{Sinh}(\chi) + \frac{1}{\chi} \text{Cosh} \left(\frac{\chi}{2} \right) + \frac{1}{\chi^2} \text{Cosh} \left(\frac{\chi}{4} \right).$$

The exact solution of the second order SMP-DD equation (15) is $\sinh(\chi)$ and the MF function becomes as:

$$e_{FIT} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{m=1}^N \left[\begin{aligned} &\chi_m^2(1-\chi_m)\hat{Y}''(\chi_m) + \\ &\chi_m(1-\chi_m)\hat{Y}'\left(\frac{1}{2}\chi_m\right) + \\ &(1-\chi_m)\hat{Y}'\left(\frac{1}{4}\chi_m\right) + \\ &\chi_m^2 F_m - \chi_m^2(1-\chi_m)G_m \end{aligned} \right]^2 + \frac{1}{2} \left((\hat{Y}_0)^2 + (\hat{Y}'_0 - 1)^2 \right). \quad (16)$$

The designed ANN-PSO-AS approach is applied for sixty runs to get the system parameters using the ANN-PSO-AS to solve the second order SMP-DD model-based Examples I, II and III. The set of trained decision variables that are used to demonstrate the estimated numerical solution of the model (1). The mathematical formulation of the projected solutions is written as:

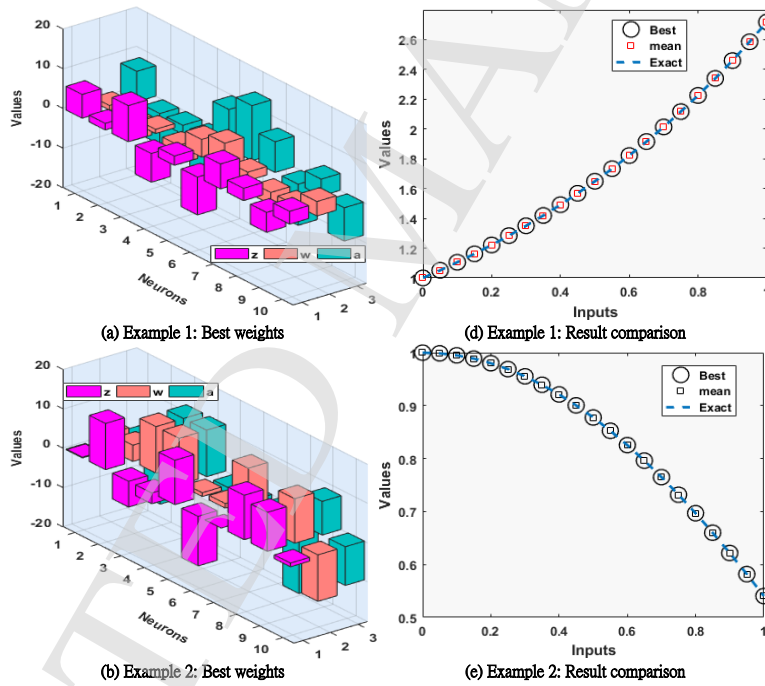
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$$\hat{Y}_1(\chi) = \frac{5.9788}{1+e^{-(1.143\chi+7.658)}} + \frac{1.6700}{1+e^{-(4.767\chi-7.766)}} + \frac{9.0929}{1+e^{-(1.064\chi-2.228)}} + \dots + \frac{3.2410}{1+e^{-(3.636\chi-8.395)}}, \quad (17)$$

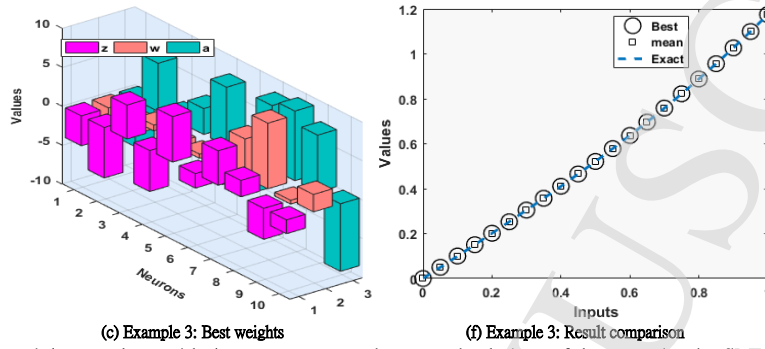
$$\hat{Y}_2(\chi) = \frac{0.2002}{1+e^{-(4.177\chi+0.622)}} + \frac{11.7221}{1+e^{-(4.137\chi-12.892)}} + \frac{-6.536}{1+e^{-(11.822\chi+1.817)}} + \dots + \frac{0.9502}{1+e^{-(11.802\chi-9.837)}}, \quad (18)$$

$$\hat{Y}_3(\chi) = \frac{-3.8295}{1+e^{-(2.323\chi-6.028)}} + \frac{6.4774}{1+e^{-(2.045\chi+6.163)}} + \frac{4.3507}{1+e^{-(0.7494\chi+1.013)}} + \dots + \frac{1.7718}{1+e^{-(2.227\chi-8.666)}}. \quad (19)$$

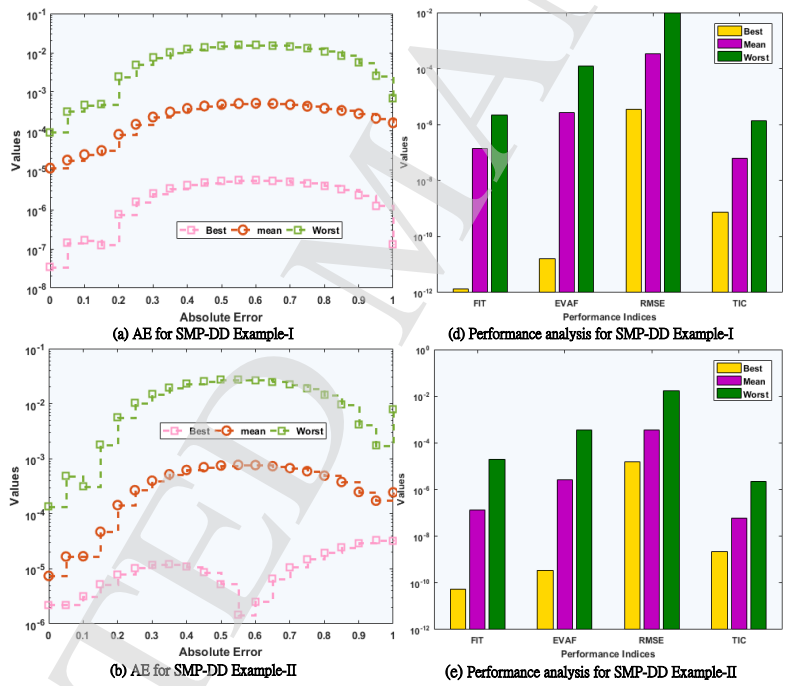
Optimization is performed to solve the second order SMP-DD model-based problems I-III for the interval [0, 1] with 0.05 step size applying the PSO-AS hybridization for 60 independent executions. A best weights set and the exact, mean and proposed results comparison for the second order SMP-DD model-based examples I-III are provided in figure 1. It is observed that for all the examples, all the said solutions overlapped with each other. This coinciding of the outcomes indicates the perfection of the ANN-PSO-AS approach. The values of the absolute error (AE) and performance investigations through ANN-PSO-AS approach for second order SMP-DD model-based examples I-III are plotted in figure 2. The values of the AE are plotted in subfigures 2(a-c), while the performance measures are drawn 2(d-f).



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(c) Example 3: Best weights (f) Example 3: Result comparison
 Figure 1: A best weights set along with the exact, mean and proposed solutions of the second order SMP-DD model-based examples I-III



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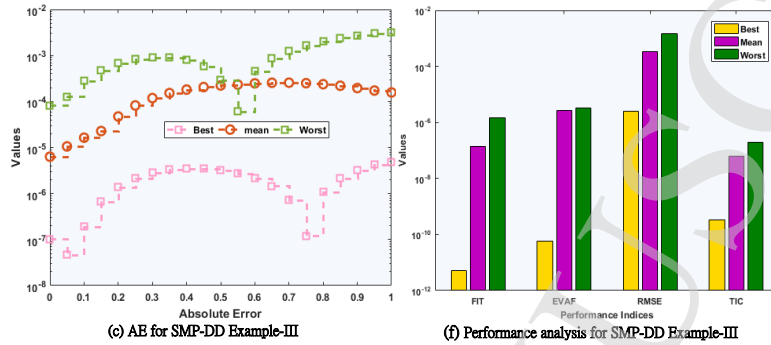


Figure 2: The AE along with other performance metrics of ANN-PSO-AS approach for second order SMP-DD model-based examples I-III

It is seen that the best values for example I, II and III are found near to 10^6 to 10^7 , 10^5 to 10^6 and 10^6 to 10^7 , while the mean and worst for all the examples are found around 10^4 to 10^5 and 10^2 to 10^4 , respectively. The best fitness and EVAF for all the examples observed near to 10^9 to 10^{12} , while for all examples, the best RMSE and TIC lie 10^4 to 10^5 and 10^3 to 10^{10} , respectively. The mean Fitness and TIC values for all the examples are about 10^8 to 10^8 , while the mean for EVAF and RMSE lie around 10^4 to 10^6 and 10^2 to 10^4 , respectively. Moreover, even the worst indices for all the gages are also found to be satisfactory.

The statistical investigation for ANN-PSO-AS approach via Fitness, EVAF, RMSE and TIC operators together with the boxplots/histogram values for SMP-DD model-based examples I to III are provided in figures 3 to 6. These statistical studies are accomplished for 60 independent executions using 10 numbers of neurons. It is seen, the Fitness, EVAF,

RMSE and TIC values lie around 10^{06} to 10^{10} , 10^{07} to 10^{09} , 10^{03} to 10^{05} and 10^{07} to 10^{09} , respectively.

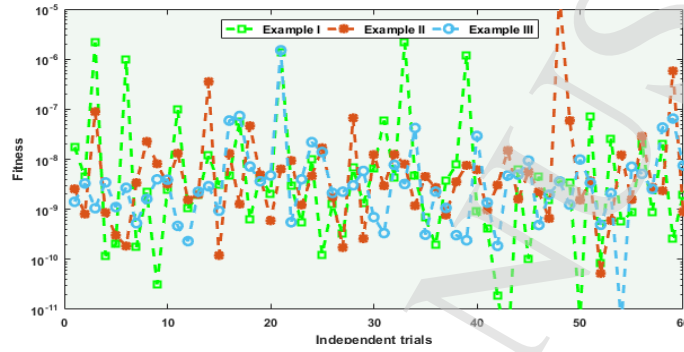
For accuracy analysis of the ANN-PSO-AS designed approach, statistical values are accomplished for 60 executions using minimum (Min), Mean, semi interquartile range (SI-R) and median (MED) to solve the second order SMP-DD model-based examples I to III. SI-R is the $0.5 * (Q_3 - Q_1)$, where Q_1 and Q_3 are the respective first and third quartiles. The Min, Mean, SI-R and MED statistic measures are given in Table 2 to solve the SMP-DD equations. It is indicated that the Min values lie 10^{-06} to 10^{-08} , 10^{-06} to 10^{-09} and 10^{-06} to 10^{-08} ranges for example I-III. The mean and MED and SI-R values are found in the 10^{-04} to 10^{-06} region for all examples. These values stipulate very good measures for the SMP-DD model.

Table 2: Statistics results for the second order SMP-DD model based Examples I-III

χ	Example I				Example II				Example III			
	Min	Mean	MED	SI-R	Min	Mean	MED	SI-R	Min	Mean	MED	SI-R
0	3×10^{-08}	1×10^{-05}	1×10^{-06}	1×10^{-06}	7×10^{-05}	7×10^{-06}	2×10^{-06}	2×10^{-06}	4×10^{-08}	6×10^{-06}	1×10^{-06}	2×10^{-06}
0.05	5×10^{-08}	1×10^{-05}	4×10^{-06}	4×10^{-05}	2×10^{-07}	1×10^{-05}	4×10^{-06}	3×10^{-05}	4×10^{-08}	1×10^{-05}	4×10^{-06}	2×10^{-06}
0.1	1×10^{-07}	2×10^{-05}	6×10^{-06}	5×10^{-06}	1×10^{-07}	1×10^{-05}	7×10^{-06}	5×10^{-06}	1×10^{-07}	1×10^{-05}	5×10^{-06}	4×10^{-06}
0.15	5×10^{-08}	3×10^{-05}	6×10^{-06}	7×10^{-06}	2×10^{-07}	4×10^{-05}	1×10^{-05}	7×10^{-06}	6×10^{-08}	2×10^{-05}	7×10^{-06}	6×10^{-06}
0.2	2×10^{-07}	8×10^{-05}	2×10^{-05}	1×10^{-05}	3×10^{-07}	1×10^{-04}	3×10^{-05}	2×10^{-05}	3×10^{-08}	4×10^{-05}	1×10^{-05}	2×10^{-05}
0.25	1×10^{-06}	1×10^{-04}	3×10^{-05}	3×10^{-05}	1×10^{-06}	2×10^{-04}	5×10^{-05}	4×10^{-05}	2×10^{-06}	8×10^{-05}	4×10^{-05}	3×10^{-05}
0.3	1×10^{-06}	2×10^{-04}	6×10^{-05}	5×10^{-05}	1×10^{-07}	4×10^{-04}	8×10^{-05}	6×10^{-05}	2×10^{-06}	1×10^{-04}	6×10^{-05}	4×10^{-05}
0.35	3×10^{-07}	3×10^{-04}	8×10^{-05}	7×10^{-05}	5×10^{-06}	5×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	8×10^{-05}	6×10^{-07}	1×10^{-04}	9×10^{-05}	6×10^{-05}
0.4	1×10^{-07}	3×10^{-04}	9×10^{-05}	8×10^{-05}	6×10^{-06}	6×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	3×10^{-06}	1×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	7×10^{-05}
0.45	5×10^{-08}	4×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	3×10^{-09}	7×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	2×10^{-06}	2×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	8×10^{-05}
0.5	4×10^{-08}	4×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	5×10^{-06}	7×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	1×10^{-06}	2×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	8×10^{-05}
0.55	3×10^{-08}	5×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	1×10^{-06}	7×10^{-04}	2×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	4×10^{-07}	2×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	8×10^{-05}
0.6	2×10^{-06}	5×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	1×10^{-06}	7×10^{-04}	2×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	7×10^{-08}	2×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}
0.65	1×10^{-08}	5×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	6×10^{-06}	7×10^{-04}	2×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	1×10^{-06}	2×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}
0.7	1×10^{-07}	4×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	6×10^{-06}	6×10^{-04}	2×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	7×10^{-07}	2×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	9×10^{-05}
0.75	1×10^{-08}	4×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	5×10^{-06}	5×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	1×10^{-07}	2×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	8×10^{-05}
0.8	3×10^{-08}	3×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	7×10^{-06}	4×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	9×10^{-05}	1×10^{-06}	2×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	8×10^{-05}

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0.85	2×10^{-06}	3×10^{-04}	9×10^{-05}	9×10^{-05}	1×10^{-06}	3×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	7×10^{-05}	3×10^{-08}	2×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	8×10^{-05}
0.9	2×10^{-06}	2×10^{-04}	6×10^{-05}	7×10^{-05}	2×10^{-06}	2×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	9×10^{-05}	3×10^{-06}	2×10^{-04}	1×10^{-04}	9×10^{-05}
0.95	8×10^{-07}	2×10^{-04}	5×10^{-05}	6×10^{-05}	1×10^{-10}	1×10^{-04}	8×10^{-05}	9×10^{-05}	1×10^{-08}	1×10^{-04}	9×10^{-05}	7×10^{-05}
1	1×10^{-07}	1×10^{-04}	3×10^{-05}	6×10^{-05}	2×10^{-06}	2×10^{-04}	6×10^{-05}	7×10^{-05}	5×10^{-07}	1×10^{-04}	8×10^{-05}	6×10^{-05}



(a) Fitness values in convergence measures for Examples I-III

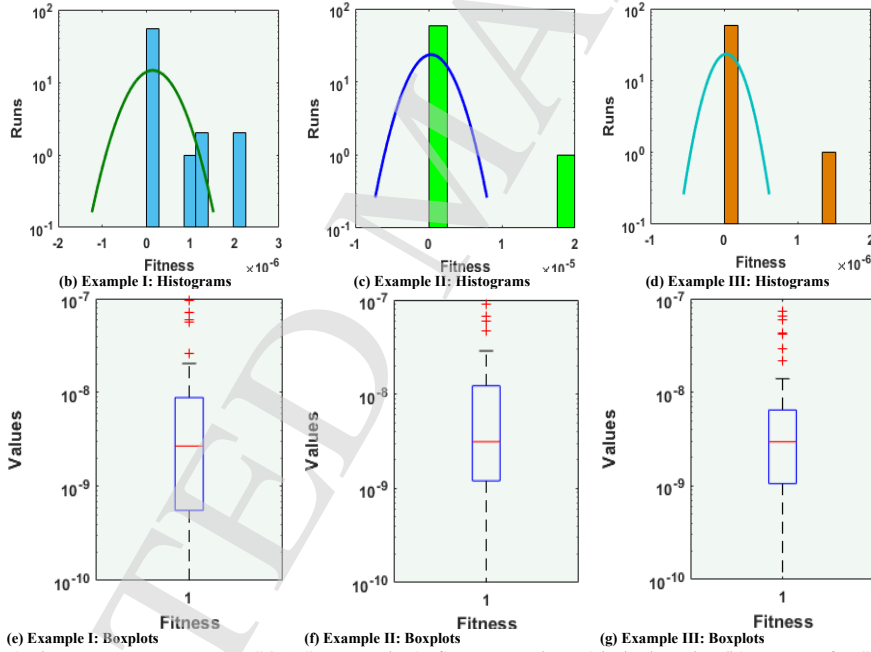
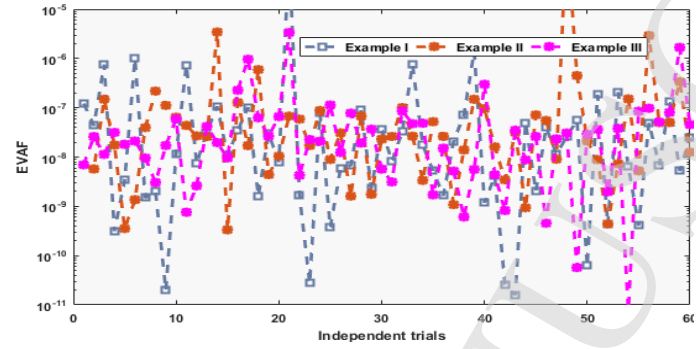


Figure 3: Statistical assessments on ANN-PSO-AS approach via fitness together with the boxplots/histograms for SMP-DD model-based examples I to III.

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(a) EVAF values in convergence measures for Examples I-III

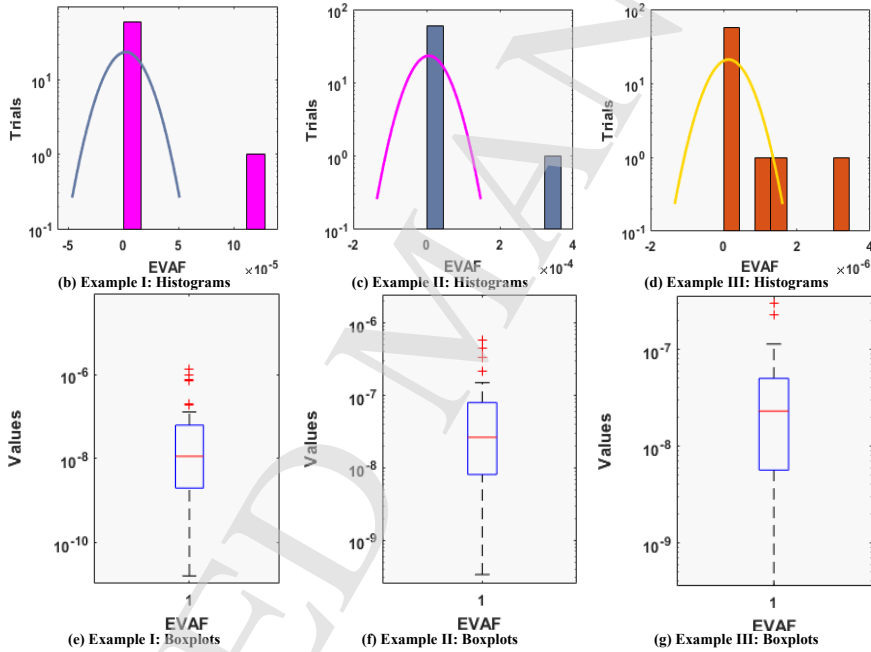


Figure 4: Statistical assessments on ANN-PSO-AS approach via EVAF together with the boxplots/histograms for SMP-DD model-based examples I to III.

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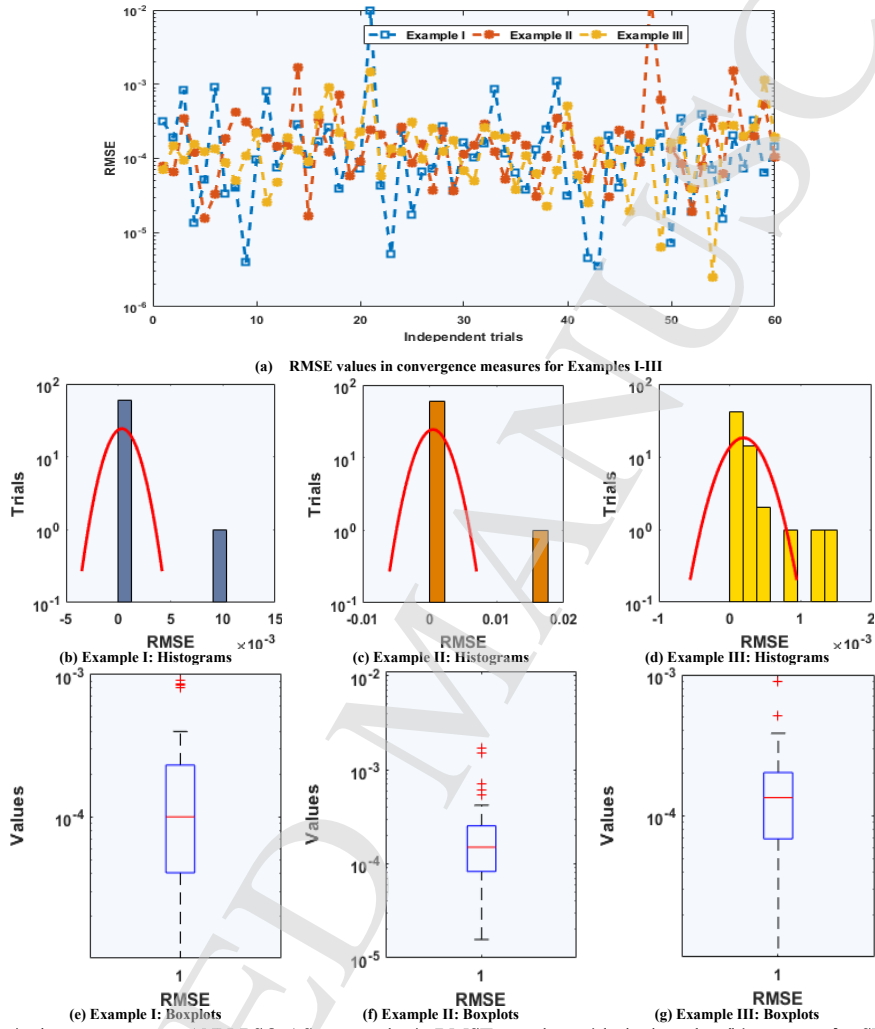


Figure 5: Statistical assessments on ANN-PSO-AS approach via RMSE together with the boxplots/histograms for SMP-DD model-based examples I to III.

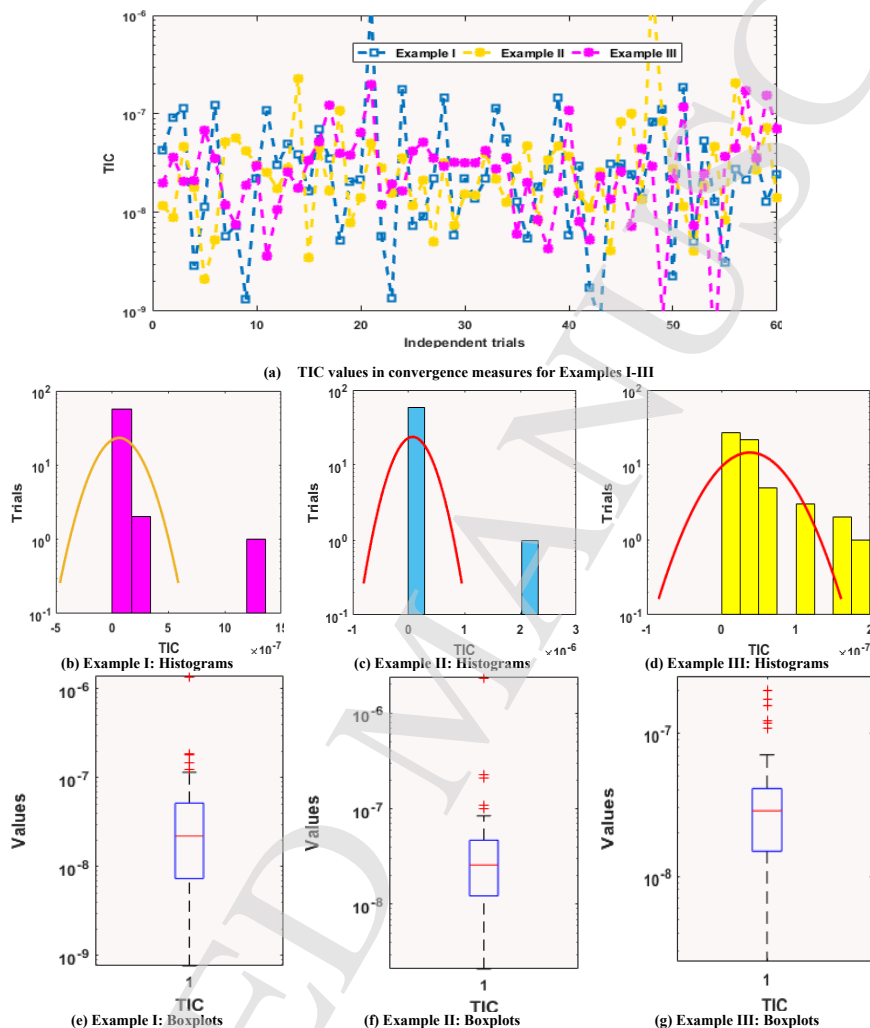


Figure 6: Statistical assessments on ANN-PSO-AS approach via TIC together with the boxplots/histograms for SMP-DD model-based examples I to III.

4. CONCLUSION: The design of the numerical computing solver ANN-PSO-AS is presented to solve 2nd order singular multi-pantograph delay differential system and the outcomes are precise, stable and consistent using the ANNs competency of regression. A merit function of the networks is designed based on the error function and accordingly optimization with local and global capabilities of the active-set approach and particle swarm optimization, respectively. The ANN-PSO-AS approach is accomplished to solve 3 different examples of the second order singular multi-pantograph delay differential model. The precise

performance of ANN-PSO-AS approach is verified through AE within reasonable accuracy, i.e., around 6 to 8 decimals of precision from the true/exact outcomes for all variants of the singular multi-pantograph delay differential equations. The statistical investigations on Min, SI-R, Mean and MED indices further certified the robustness, stability and precision of ANN-PSO-AS approach for solving the second order singular multi-pantograph delay differential system.

In the future, the ANN-PSO-AS algorithm based accurate stochastic numerical procedure can be implemented on for higher order functional differential model [56-57], computer virus models [58-59], mathematical

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model for information security [60-61], bioinformatics [62-63] and dynamical analysis of computational fluid mechanics problems [64-66].

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