



Article The Oscillatory Flow of Oldroyd-B Fluid with Magnetic Disturbance

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Abstract: The magnetic field intensity will be nondeterminacy with the flow of charged particles thrown out by solar activities, the overlap of adjacent magnetic islands or non-axisymmetric magnetic interference in tokamaks and so on. The model of a generalized Oldroyd-B fluid with fractional derivative under oscillating pressure gradient and magnetic field with some disturbance will be considered in this paper. The disturbance is regarded as the background noise of the system, and the model is described by a fractional stochastic differential equation. Time and space are discretized by L1, L2 schemes based on piecewise linear interpolation and the central difference quotient method. We demonstrate the effects of the amplitude and period of the oscillating pressure gradient, magnetic parameter, fractional parameters and noise on the velocity field, and two special cases are given.

Keywords: Oldroyd-B fluid; fractional stochastic differential equation; oscillating pressure gradient; numerical method



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1. Introduction

Fractional calculus is a generalization of classical integral calculus. In recent years, it has been widely used in diverse fields of science and engineering [1,2]. The main reason for using derivatives of fractional order in applications is that it can obtain the global connection with power-law kernel in time and space, and it provides a unique idea to describe the memory processes and inheritance properties of different substances. With the development of viscoelastic fluids [3–6], the fractional order operator is widely applied to them, which have attracted more and more attention in many fields such as academic, chemical and petrochemical industries. Some related works about the theoretical analysis and numerical simulation of fractional calculus equations are various, such as Laplace transform, Hankel transform, finite difference method, finite element method, spectral method and so on. Generally, the magnetic field has a stabilizing effect on instability, therefore, magnetohydrodynamic (MHD) has great value in science and industry. Recently, Shen et al. [7] studied MHD viscoelastic fluid with a heat source, which introduced the time-dependent fractional derivative in formulating the boundary layer equations, and obtained the numerical solution by using the finite difference method and L1 algorithm. Zhang et al. [8] studied the unsteady two-dimensional (2D) flow analysis of MHD fractional Maxwell fluid induced by variable pressure gradient, and used the implicit finite difference method to compare with the exact solution. Feng et al. [9] considered the finite element method for a 2D generalized Oldroyd-B fluid in a magnetic field on convex domains, which has a special time-space coupled derivative. However, the magnetic field intensity is not necessarily a constant, for instance, it may be variable in the interior of the earth. Due to the importance of variable magnetic fields in chemical engineering and geophysics, some scholars consider the dynamic behavior of viscoelastic fluid under a variable magnetic field [10,11].

Unfortunately, there are complex physical fields in the practical environment, and the magnetic field intensity may not be completely represented by several perfect curves. It

may be disturbed by other factors, such as the flow of charged particles thrown out by solar activities, the overlap of adjacent magnetic islands and non-axisymmetric magnetic disturbance in tokamaks. Because of these disturbances, the behavior of material properties in random magnetic field has attracted more and more attention [12–14]. Although most papers ignore the possible randomness of magnetic field when discussing the dynamic behavior of MHD, some researchers have made some achievements in studying the model of fluid driven by random external force. Xu et al. [15] proved the global existence and uniqueness of a weak solution of stochastic time-space fractional incompressible Navier-Stokes equations driven by white noise. P.A. Razafimandimby [16] studied the stochastic equation describing the motions of 2D incompressible linear viscoelastic fluids subject to periodic boundary conditions and driven by random external forces. Manil T. Mohan [17] established the unique global solvability, the existence of a unique ergodic and strongly mixing invariant measure of the stochastic 2D viscoelastic fluid equations, which arises from the Oldroyd model for the non-Newtonian fluid flows perturbed by multiplicative Gaussian noise. There are many studies of fluid driven by random forces or disturbed by noise, refer to [18–21]. These articles prove the existence and uniqueness of solutions from the theoretical view, however, few papers use numerical methods to analyze viscoelastic fluids driven by random external force. The exact solution of the stochastic differential equation is too difficult to obtain, and the finite difference method [22–24] and finite element method [25,26] are simple and effective numerical methods.

In this paper, we regard the disturbance in the magnetic field as background noise and describe the model with a fractional stochastic differential equation. The model is numerically analyzed by L1, L2 formulas based on linear interpolation and central difference quotient method, and the influence of the relevant parameters on the velocity field is described graphically.

2. Mathematical Model

The oscillatory flow of Oldroyd-B fluid under the effect of a magnetic field with perturbations in a uniform rectangular duct is considered. The continuity and momentum equations for an incompressible fluid are:

$$\nabla \mathbf{V} = \mathbf{0}.\tag{1}$$

and:

$$\rho(\frac{\mathrm{d}\mathbf{V}}{\mathrm{d}t} + (\mathbf{V}\cdot\nabla)\mathbf{V}) = -\nabla\mathbf{p} + \nabla\cdot\mathbf{S} + \mathbf{F}_b.$$
(2)

The dynamic behavior of a complex MHD between parallel plates does not always satisfy the classical law, and its mechanical evolution process has obvious memory effects. In many already published papers, fractional derivatives are widely used in the fluid model, and fit well with the experimental data of viscoelastic fluid [27,28]. The Laplace transformation of Riemann–Liouvile fractional derivative contains a fractional derivative term; however, the initial value of fractional order is difficult to obtain and the physical meaning is unclear in engineering. Therefore, the Caputo fractional derivative is often used in engineering and scientific applications [29,30]. The constitutive equation of fractional Oldroyd-B fluid is given as follows:

$$(1 + \lambda^{\alpha} \mathscr{D}_{t}^{\alpha}) \mathbf{S} = \mu (1 + \theta^{\beta} \mathscr{D}_{t}^{\beta}) \mathbf{A}_{1}.$$
(3)

where **V** is the fluid velocity, ρ , **p**, **S** and **F**_b are the density of the fluid, the pressure, the extra stress tensor and the body force, respectively. μ , λ , θ are material constants, which

represent the viscosity coefficient, the relaxation and retardation times. $\mathbf{A}_1 = \nabla \mathbf{V} + (\nabla \mathbf{V})^T$ is the first Rivlin–Ericksen tensor and $\mathscr{D}_t^{\alpha} \mathbf{S}$ and $\mathscr{D}_t^{\beta} \mathbf{A}_1$ are defined by:

$$\mathscr{D}_{t}^{\alpha} \mathbf{S} = D_{t}^{\alpha} \mathbf{S} + (\mathbf{V} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{S} - (\nabla \mathbf{V}) \mathbf{S} - \mathbf{S} (\nabla \mathbf{V})^{\mathrm{T}},$$

$$\mathscr{D}_{t}^{\beta} \mathbf{A}_{1} = D_{t}^{\beta} \mathbf{A}_{1} + (\mathbf{V} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{A}_{1} - (\nabla \mathbf{V}) \mathbf{A}_{1} - \mathbf{A}_{1} (\nabla \mathbf{V})^{\mathrm{T}}.$$
(4)

 D_t^{α} , and D_t^{β} are the Caputo time-fractional derivatives of arbitrary order α , β . Caputo fractional derivative of order $\alpha > 0$ for a function $f : (0, \infty) \rightarrow R$ can be written as [31]:

$$D_t^{\alpha} f(t) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(n-\alpha)} \int_0^t (t-s)^{n-\alpha-1} f^n(s) ds.$$
(5)

where $0 \le n - 1 < \alpha < n$. It should be noted that when $\alpha = \beta = 1$. Equation (3) is simplified as the ordinary Oldroyd-B model and when $\theta = 0$. Equation (3) is simplified as the fractional Maxwell model.

For the unidirectional flow of the fractional Oldroyd-B fluid in the horizontal rectangular pipe, the velocity field is:

$$\mathbf{V}(u, v, w) = [u(y, z, t), 0, 0].$$
(6)

Furthermore, we consider that the fluid is permeated by a non-uniform magnetic field $(B_0 + \epsilon, 0, 0)$, B_0 is the deterministic magnetic field intensity, ϵ is a perturbation factor of the system, which applies in the positive y-direction. $\sigma(B_0 + \epsilon)^2$ represents the magnetic body force in a low magnetic Reynolds number and σ represents the electrical conductivity of the fluid. The momentum equation with the pressure gradient in the x-direction is:

$$(1 + \lambda^{\alpha} D_{t}^{\alpha}) \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \nu (1 + \theta^{\beta} D_{t}^{\beta}) (\Delta u) - \frac{1}{\rho} (1 + \lambda^{\alpha} D_{t}^{\alpha}) \frac{\partial \mathbf{p}}{\partial x} - \frac{\sigma}{\rho} (1 + \lambda^{\alpha} D_{t}^{\alpha}) u (B_{0} + \epsilon)^{2}.$$
(7)

where $v = \frac{\mu}{\rho}$ is the kinematical viscosity, and Δ is the Laplace operator, $\Delta u = \frac{\partial^2 u(y,z,t)}{\partial^2 y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u(y,z,t)}{\partial^2 z^2}$. It is provided that the pressure is $\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial \mathbf{p}}{\partial x} = -kcos(\omega t)$, which is a harmonic periodic. k, ω are constants, which represent the amplitude and periodic parameters of the pressure gradient. Combined with Equation (7), we obtain:

$$(1 + \lambda^{\alpha} D_t^{\alpha}) \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \nu (1 + \theta^{\beta} D_t^{\beta}) (\Delta u) - M (1 + \lambda^{\alpha} D_t^{\alpha}) u + g(u, \epsilon) + f(y, z, t).$$
(8)

where $M = \frac{\sigma B_0^2}{\rho}$ is a magnetic parameter, and $f(y, z, t) = kcos(\omega t) + k\omega^{\alpha}cos(\omega t + \frac{\alpha\pi}{2})$. We regard the term with disturbance as the noise of the background field, which is usually represented by addictive noise. Using a stochastic differential equation to describe this situation:

$$(1+\lambda^{\alpha}D_{t}^{\alpha})\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}=\nu(1+\theta^{\beta}D_{t}^{\beta})(\Delta u)-M(1+\lambda^{\alpha}D_{t}^{\alpha})u+f(y,z,t)+\xi\frac{dW}{dt}.$$
(9)

where ξ is a constant, which denotes the intensity of noise. *W* is a standard Wiener process defined on a filtered probability space $(\Omega, \mathscr{F}, \mathscr{F}_t, \mathscr{P})$ [32]. In this paper, the initial and boundary conditions are follows:

$$u(y,z,0) = \Phi_1(y,z), u_t(y,z,0) = \Phi_2(y,z), 0 \le y \le L_1, 0 \le z \le L_2.$$

$$u(0,z,t) = 0, u(L_1,z,t) = 0, u(y,0,t) = 0, u(y,L_2,t) = 0, 0 < t \le T.$$
(10)

where L_1 , L_2 , T are constants, Φ_1 , Φ_2 are known functions.

3. Numerical Discretization

The space $(y, z) \in [0, L_1] \times [0, L_2]$ are uniformly divided into $M_1 \times M_2$ grids. Let $y_i = ih_1, z_j = jh_2, i = 0, 1, \dots, M_1, j = 0, 1, \dots, M_2$, where $h_1 = \frac{L_1}{M_1}$ and $h_2 = \frac{L_2}{M_2}$ are space steps in the y and z direction, respectively. Then, we divide the time into N grids, let $\tau = \frac{T}{N}$ be the time step and $t_n = n\tau, n = 0, 1, \dots, N$. Denote:

$$u_{ij}^{n} = u(x_{i}, y_{j}, t_{n}), f_{ij}^{n} = f(x_{i}, y_{j}, t_{n}), W^{n} = W(t_{n}), u_{ij}^{n-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{u_{ij}^{n} + u_{ij}^{n-1}}{2}, f_{ij}^{n-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{f_{ij}^{n} + f_{ij}^{n-1}}{2}.$$

$$\delta_{t}u_{ij}^{n} = \frac{u_{ij}^{n} - u_{ij}^{n-1}}{\tau}, \delta_{y}^{2}u_{ij}^{n} = \frac{u_{i+1,j}^{n} - 2u_{ij}^{n} + u_{i-1,j}^{n}}{h_{1}^{2}}, \delta_{z}^{2}u_{ij}^{n} = \frac{u_{i,j+1}^{n} - 2u_{ij}^{n} + u_{i,j-1}^{n}}{h_{2}^{2}}, \delta_{t}W^{n} = \frac{W^{n} - W^{n-1}}{\tau}.$$

The implicit difference scheme of Crank–Nicolson is used to discretize on the time layer of $n - \frac{1}{2}$:

$$(1 + \lambda^{\alpha} D_{t}^{\alpha}) \frac{\partial u_{ij}^{n-\frac{1}{2}}}{\partial t} = \nu (1 + \theta^{\beta} D_{t}^{\beta}) (\Delta u_{ij}^{n-\frac{1}{2}}) - M (1 + \lambda^{\alpha} D_{t}^{\alpha}) u_{ij}^{n-\frac{1}{2}} + f(y_{i}, z_{j}, t_{n-\frac{1}{2}}) + \xi \frac{dW^{n-\frac{1}{2}}}{dt}.$$
(11)

Note $\gamma = 1 + \alpha$, $1 < \gamma < 2$, the L1, L2 formulas based on piecewise linear interpolation are used, then:

$$D_{t}^{\alpha}u_{ij}^{n-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{D_{t}^{\alpha}u_{ij}^{n} + D_{t}^{\alpha}u_{ij}^{n-1}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{\tau^{-\alpha}}{2\Gamma(2-\alpha)}(a_{0}^{(\alpha)}u_{ij}^{n} - \sum_{k=1}^{n-1}(a_{n-k-1}^{(\alpha)} - a_{n-k}^{(\alpha)})u_{ij}^{k} - a_{n-1}^{(\alpha)}u_{ij}^{0}$$

$$+ a_{0}^{(\alpha)}u_{ij}^{n-1} - \sum_{k=1}^{n-2}(a_{n-k-2}^{(\alpha)} - a_{n-k-1}^{(\alpha)})u_{ij}^{k} - a_{n-2}^{(\alpha)}u_{ij}^{0}) + R_{1}$$

$$= \frac{\tau^{1-\alpha}}{2\Gamma(2-\alpha)}(\sum_{k=1}^{n}a_{n-k}^{(\alpha)}\delta_{t}u_{ij}^{k} + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1}a_{n-k-1}^{(\alpha)}\delta_{t}u_{ij}^{k}) + R_{1}$$
(12)

where $|R_1| < C \tau^{(2-\alpha)}$.

$$D_{t}^{\gamma}u_{ij}^{n-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{D_{t}^{\gamma}u_{ij}^{n} + D_{t}^{\gamma}u_{ij}^{n-1}}{2} = \frac{\tau^{1-\gamma}}{\Gamma(3-\gamma)}$$

$$(a_{0}^{(\gamma)}\delta_{t}u_{ij}^{n} - \sum_{k=1}^{n-1}(a_{n-k-1}^{(\gamma)} - a_{n-k}^{(\gamma)})\delta_{t}u_{ij}^{k} - a_{n-1}^{(\gamma)}(u_{t})_{ij}^{0}) + R_{2}$$
(13)

where $|R_2| < C\tau^{(3-\gamma)}$.

Similarly, we have:

$$D_{t}^{\beta}u_{ij}^{n-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{D_{t}^{\beta}u_{ij}^{n} + D_{t}^{\beta}u_{ij}^{n-1}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{\tau^{1-\beta}}{2\Gamma(2-\beta)} (\sum_{k=1}^{n} a_{n-k}^{(\beta)} \delta_{t}u_{ij}^{k} + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} a_{n-k-1}^{(\beta)} \delta_{t}u_{ij}^{k}) + R_{3}$$
(14)

where $|R_3| < C \tau^{(2-\beta)}$.

As for the Laplace operator, $\Delta u^{n-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{\Delta u_{ij}^n + \Delta u_{ij}^{n-1}}{2} = \frac{\delta_y^2 u_{ij}^n + \delta_z^2 u_{ij}^n + \delta_z^2 u_{ij}^{n-1} + \delta_z^2 u_{ij}^{n-1}}{2}$, and:

$$D_{t}^{\beta} \Delta u_{ij}^{n-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{\tau^{1-\beta}}{2\Gamma(2-\beta)} \left(\sum_{k=1}^{n} a_{n-k}^{(\beta)} \delta_{t} (\delta_{y}^{2} u_{ij}^{k} + \delta_{z}^{2} u_{ij}^{k}) + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} a_{n-k-1}^{(\beta)} \delta_{t} (\delta_{y}^{2} u_{ij}^{k} + \delta_{z} u_{ij}^{k})) + R_{4} \right)$$
(15)

where $|R_4| < C\tau^{(2-\beta)}$. The coefficient a_l^{θ} is:

$$a_l^{\theta} = \begin{cases} (l+1)^{1-\theta} - l^{1-\theta}, 0 < \theta < 1\\ (l+1)^{2-\theta} - l^{2-\theta}, 1 < \theta < 2 \end{cases} \qquad l = 0, 1, \cdots, N-1.$$
(16)

Then central finite difference formula is used to approximate $\frac{dW^{n-\frac{1}{2}}}{dt}$:

$$\frac{dW^{n-\frac{1}{2}}}{dt} \approx \frac{W^n - W^{n-1}}{\tau} = \delta_t W^n, n = 1, 2, \cdots, N$$
(17)

Applying the Wiener process, $W(t_n) - W(t_{n-1}) \sim N(0, t_n - t_{n-1})$. That is, $\frac{W^n - W^{n-1}}{\sqrt{\tau}} \sim 1$. N(0,1). Omitting the small quantity term R_i , $i = 1, \dots, 4$, we get the following difference equation in this paper:

$$\lambda^{\alpha} \frac{\tau^{1-\gamma}}{\Gamma(3-\gamma)} (a_{0}^{(\gamma)} \delta_{t} u_{ij}^{n} - \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} (a_{n-k-1}^{(\gamma)} - a_{n-k}^{(\gamma)}) \delta_{t} u_{ij}^{k} - a_{n-1}^{(\gamma)} (u_{t})_{ij}^{0}) + \delta_{t} u_{ij}^{n} + M \lambda^{\alpha} \frac{\tau^{1-\alpha}}{2\Gamma(2-\alpha)} (\sum_{k=1}^{n} a_{n-k}^{(\alpha)} \delta_{t} u_{ij}^{k} + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} a_{n-k-1}^{(\alpha)} \delta_{t} u_{ij}^{k}) + M \frac{u_{ij}^{n} + u_{ij}^{n-1}}{2} - \nu \frac{\delta_{y}^{2} u_{ij}^{n} + \delta_{z}^{2} u_{ij}^{n} + \delta_{y}^{2} u_{ij}^{n-1} + \delta_{z}^{2} u_{ij}^{n-1}}{2} - \nu \theta^{\beta} \frac{\tau^{1-\beta}}{2\Gamma(2-\beta)}$$
(18)
$$(\sum_{k=1}^{n} a_{n-k}^{(\beta)} \delta_{t} (\delta_{y}^{2} u_{ij}^{k} + \delta_{z}^{2} u_{ij}^{k}) + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} a_{n-k-1}^{(\beta)} \delta_{t} (\delta_{y}^{2} u_{ij}^{k} + \delta_{z} u_{ij}^{k})) = \frac{f_{ij}^{n} + f_{ij}^{n-1}}{2} + \xi \delta_{t} W^{n}.$$

The initial and boundary conditions are discretized into:

$$u_{ij}^{0} = \Phi_{1}(y_{i}, z_{j}), (u_{t})_{ij}^{0} = \Phi_{2}(y_{i}, z_{j}), i = 0, 1, \cdots, M_{1}, j = 0, 1, \cdots, M_{2}.$$

$$u_{0j}^{n} = u_{M_{1}j}^{n} = u_{i0}^{n} = u_{iM_{2}}^{n} = 0, n = 0, 1, \cdots, N.$$
(19)

4. Results and Discussion

Oldroyd-B fluid with oscillating pressure gradient, magnetic field and addictive noise is considered:

$$(1 + \lambda^{\alpha} D_{t}^{\alpha}) \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \nu (1 + \theta^{\beta} D_{t}^{\beta}) (\Delta u) - M (1 + \lambda^{\alpha} D_{t}^{\alpha}) u + f(y, z, t) + \xi \frac{dW}{dt}$$

$$u(y, z, 0) = 0, u_{t}(y, z, 0) = 0, 0 \le y \le 1, 0 \le z \le 1.$$

$$u(0, z, t) = 0, u(L_{1}, z, t) = 0, u(y, 0, t) = 0, u(y, L_{2}, t) = 0, 0 < t \le T.$$

where $f(y, z, t) = kcos(\omega t) + k\omega^{\alpha}cos(\omega t + \frac{\alpha \pi}{2}), \xi$ is a constant, which denotes the size of the noise.

The effect of parameters on the amplitude and period of velocity field is presented. Select a point (y = 0.5, z = 0.5) in the fluid and observe its variation over time with $\lambda = 2, \nu = 0.2, \theta = 1.5, \xi = 0$. Figure 1 shows the effect on the fluid velocity when the amplitude of the pressure change. It can be seen that the change is consistent with our feelings. When the amplitude of pressure gradient increases, the amplitude of velocity increases, but the period of velocity remains unchanged. Figure 2 shows the influence of the pressure gradient on the velocity field. When the period of the pressure gradient on the velocity field but also the period of the period of the pressure smaller with the increase of ω , not only the amplitude but also the period of the velocity field becomes smaller.



Figure 1. Velocity varies with amplitude of pressure gradient *k*.



Figure 2. Velocity varies with period parameter of pressure gradient ω .

Figure 3 shows the effect of the magnetic parameter on velocity, it illustrates that the amplitude of fluid oscillation decreases when magnetic parameter M increases. Figures 4 and 5 present the influence of fractional parameters on velocity. Figure 4 demonstrates that

by increasing the fractional parameter α , the amplitude of fluctuation increases slightly. However, the degree of oscillation decreases when the fractional parameter β increases as shown in Figure 5.



Figure 3. Velocity varies with magnetic parameter *M*.



Figure 4. Velocity varies with fractional parameter α .



Figure 5. Velocity varies with fractional parameter β .

In addition, the impact of the sizes of noise to the solution behavior is discussed, and solutions vary with time under different intensities of noise are presented. Figures 6 and 7 describe the variation of solutions at the midpoint (y = 0.5, z = 0.5) with time under fixed parameters, such as $\alpha = 0.5, \beta = 0.4, \gamma = 1.5, M = 0.5, k = 10, \omega = 2\pi$, and fixed Brownian path by using the command '*randn*('*state*', 100)' in MATLAB. It can be noted that the amplitude of the velocity field is only slightly disturbed under small noise size, which becomes stronger and stronger with growing the scales of noise in a certain range, but the intrinsic shape of velocity is not changed. When the intensity of noise continues increasing, which will even become the dominant factor in the whole system, the flow velocity will be disordered. It can be concluded that the smaller the inherent amplitude in the system is, the worse the anti-interference ability (Figures 6 and 7).

We also observe the influence of different Brownian paths with the same intensity of noise on the velocity. Figure 8 shows the comparison of velocity among three different Brownian paths and without noise. It can be seen that for different Brownian paths, the velocity may be increasing or decreasing. It is worth emphasizing that it is similar to the stochastic resonance phenomenon in the signal, the presence of noise sometimes can enhance the velocity.



Figure 6. Velocity varies with intensity of noise ξ when k = 10.



Figure 7. Velocity varies with intensity of noise ξ when k = 1.



Figure 8. Velocity varies with different Brown paths.

Special case I. Consider a mixed diffusion-wave equation without white noise, which has an analytic solution when $\xi = 0$. When other parameters and known functions are $\lambda = 1, M = 1, \nu = 1, \theta = 1, \alpha = 0.7, \beta = 0.8, \gamma = 1.6, f(y, z, t) = \sin(\pi y) \sin(\pi z) \left[\frac{\Gamma(4)t^{3-\gamma}}{\Gamma(4-\gamma)} + 3t^2 + \frac{\Gamma(4)t^{3-\alpha}}{\Gamma(4-\alpha)} + (1+2\pi^2)(t^3+1) + 2\pi^2 \frac{\Gamma(4)t^{3-\beta}}{\Gamma(4-\beta)}\right], \Phi_1 = \sin(\pi y) \sin(\pi z), \Phi_2 = 0$, the exact solution to the equation is $u(y, z, t) = (t^3 + 1) \sin(\pi y) \sin(\pi z)$.

We apply the finite difference method to obtain the numerical solution at t = 1, which is presented in Figure 9. Figure 10 shows the analytical solution at t = 1.



Figure 9. Numerical solution of velocity distribution.



Figure 10. Exact solution of velocity distribution.

Several fixed lines for comparing are selected, z = 0.3, 0.4, 0.5. Figure 11 presents the velocity distribution with y. By comparison, we can find that the numerical solution fits well with the analytical solution.



Figure 11. Comparison of exact solution and numerical solution in special case I.

Special case II. Brownian motion with drift is considered,

$$\frac{dX(t)}{dt} = a + \xi \frac{dW(t)}{dt}, X(0) = X_0.$$

where *a* and ξ are constants. It is worth noting that Equation (9) is simplified as the above stochastic differential equation when $\lambda = 0$, $\nu = 0$, M = 0, $\theta = 0$, f = a, and u(y, z, t) are only dependent on *t*. The exact solution is:

$$X(t) = X_0 + at + \xi W(t).$$

Taking a = 1, $\xi = 1$, and $X_0 = 1$, and the central finite difference method with a step size $\tau = \frac{1}{1000}$ is applied.

Figure 12 shows the simulation of a single Brownian path. It can be seen that the finite difference method is very effective for the approximation of stochastic differential equations.



Figure 12. Comparison of exact solution and numerical solution in special case II.

5. Conclusions

The flow model of Oldroyd-B fluid subjected to magnetic field, oscillating pressure gradient and background noise is considered in this paper. By comparison, we can observe that the amplitude of the velocity field increases with the increasing of the amplitude of the oscillating pressure gradient, and the large period of the oscillating pressure gradient can increase the period and the amplitude of the velocity field. It can also be seen that the enhancing of magnetics and diffusion can reduce oscillation. However, the convection can slightly enhance the amplitude of velocity. In addition, by fading the noise and comparing it with the ideal case, it is concluded that the stronger the noise, the more obvious the velocity oscillation; however, the existence of small noise does not change the general trend of velocity variation. The uncertainty of velocity variation is revealed by different Brownian paths with the same intensity. We can control the relevant parameters artificially to make the stochastic resonance phenomenon apply better to engineering.

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Symbols

∇	gradient operator	\mathbf{V}	viscoelastic fluid velocity
ρ	constant density of the fluid	р	pressure gradient
S	the extra-stress tensor	\mathbf{F}_b	body force
λ	retardation time	μ	dynamic viscosity of the fluid
α,β,γ	order of the fractional derivative	\mathbf{A}_1	first Rivlin-Ericksen tensor
ν	dynamic viscosity coefficient of fluid	B_0	magnetic field intensity
e	perturbation factor	σ	electrical conductivity of the fluid
Δ	Laplace operator	k	amplitude of the pressure gradient
ω	periodic of the pressure gradient	M	magnetic parameter
ξ	intensity of noise	W	Wiener process

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