

Solution of Nonlinear Equations in Science through Lagrange's Inversion Theorem

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Abstract Nonlinear problems arise in most of the scientific fields. In general, such behavior is represented by a nonlinear equation, whose solution is sought. Analytical and numerical methods have been applied to the solution of this class of equations, notwithstanding, in cases where highly nonlinear phenomena are analyzed, the number of iterations and computational effort necessary to achieve the minimum required accuracy is very high. Lagrange's Inversion Theorem (LIT) has been applied to solve this kind of problems analytically, giving the solution as an infinite power series. This way, the accuracy can be as high as necessary by taking more terms from the series solution, which is easily computationally implemented. Also, in some cases it is possible to relate the series obtained to the expansion of special and elementary functions, which enables one to exactly solve the desired equation. In the present review paper, a total of eleven applications have been discussed in order to show the role of LIT in various areas of nonlinear sciences.

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1. Introduction

Modeling natural phenomena is one of the greatest challenges in every branch of Science. At first, when very little is known about the subject of study, linear approximations and descriptions tend to be the first approach made by scientists. On the other hand, when the phenomena of interest are further investigated, a few peculiarities which, at first, did not seem to be important have to be taken into account for building better models.

In general, when these particularities are considered, nonlinear equations arise. In the process of applying the new relations to the description of phenomena, the success intrinsically relies on the solution of the former. In order to address this issue, analytical and numerical methods are considered.

Since the advent of modern computer sciences, the usage of numerical methods has tremendously increased. This comes from the fact that computers became powerful tools of multiprocessing procedures and routines. On the other hand, as widely known, modeling systems do not depend on the solution of a single equation, but on a great number of them. In special, while considering nonlinear equations, the number of iterations necessary to obtain a desired accuracy is very high. This way, even if the numerical solution of a single equation by standard trial

and error methods is worth the computational effort, the solution of large sets surely is not.

Analytical approaches, on the other hand, tend to be applicable only to special cases, in which it is possible to explicit the variable of interest by means of arithmetic manipulation. In order to address more complicated problems, an analytical exact method which does not depend on arithmetical manipulation is the Lagrange's Inversion Theorem (LIT), which gives the exact analytical solution of a nonlinear equation by means of an infinite series. The theorem can be readily stated as follows [27]: Let y be defined as the following function of constant χ , function φ , and a parameter δ :

$$y = \chi + \delta\varphi(y), \quad (1)$$

then any function $\zeta(y)$ is expressed as the following power series in δ :

$$\zeta(y) = \zeta(\chi) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\delta^n}{n!} \frac{d^{n-1}}{dx^{n-1}} \left\{ \frac{d\zeta(x)}{dx} \varphi^n(x) \right\} \Bigg|_{x=\chi} \quad (2)$$

It can be noticed that the right hand side of Eq.(2) contains y through δ defined in Eq.(1).

It is evident that the convergence issues concerning the series in Eq.(2) have to be taken into account for consistency of the solution. Besides, it is worth noticing that the right hand side of Eq.(2) does not depend on y ,

this way if one takes $\zeta(y) = y$, the once implicit function y is now explicit.

In the presented paper, the usage of both Eqs.(1) and (2) is shown by discussing eleven applications of them in Civil Engineering, Mathematics, Statistics, Graph Theory and Chemical Engineering.

2. Examples of Application in Science

In this section a brief review of where LIT has been applied is shown. In order to better structure the paper, the applications are grouped following the area they are related to.

2.1. Civil Engineering

In the present subsection, applications in Civil engineering are shown. Since this paper is a review paper, the full theory behind each application is suppressed.

Regarding the alternate and sequent depths applications, one may refer to, for example, [1], [2] and [7].

Regarding the three-parameter infiltration equation application, one may refer to [12] and [11].

2.1.1. Alternate Depths in a Triangular Shaped Channel

In order to obtain the alternate depths for a triangular shaped channel, the following equation has to be taken into account [23]:

$$e_c = z + \frac{1}{4z^4}, \tag{3}$$

in which, e_c is a reduced energy parameter and z , a reduced depth parameter. Since Eq.(3) has two roots of interest (z_1 and z_2), one has to invert it accordingly, this way, in order to get the first root, Eq.(3) can be rearranged as:

$$v = 4e_c - 4v^{-1/4}, \tag{4}$$

in which $v = z^{-4}$. By means of LIT with $\zeta(v) = v^{-1/4}$, the value of z_1 is given as:

$$z_1 = (4e_c)^{-1/4} + \frac{e_c^{-3/2}}{8} \left[1 + \left(\frac{0.6811}{e_c}\right)^{5/4} + \left(\frac{0.7579}{e_c}\right)^{5/2} + \left(\frac{0.8119}{e_c}\right)^{15/4} + \left(\frac{0.8528}{e_c}\right)^5 + \dots \right] \tag{5}$$

On the other hand, in order to get the value of z_2 , Eq. (3) may be rearranged as:

$$z = e_c + (-1/4)z^{-4}. \tag{6}$$

This way, by means of LIT with $\zeta(z) = z$, the value of z_2 is:

$$z_2 = e_c - \frac{e_c^{-4}}{4} \left[1 + \left(\frac{1}{e_c}\right)^5 + \left(\frac{1.0497}{e_c}\right)^{10} + \left(\frac{1.0803}{e_c}\right)^{15} + \left(\frac{1.1015}{e_c}\right)^{20} + \dots \right] \tag{7}$$

Alternate Depths are a key parameter in the study of open channel flows.

2.1.2. Alternate Depths in a Parabolic Shaped Channel

In order to obtain the alternate depths for a parabolic shaped channel, the following equation has to be taken into account [23]:

$$e_c = z + \frac{1}{3z^3}, \tag{8}$$

in which, e_c is a reduced energy parameter and z , a reduced depth parameter. As in the last subsection, Eq.(8) has two roots of interest (z_1 and z_2) thus one has to invert it accordingly. In order to get the first root, Eq.(8) can be rearranged as:

$$h = 3e_c - 3h^{-1/3}, \tag{9}$$

in which $h = z^{-3}$. By means of LIT with $\zeta(h) = h^{-1/3}$, the value of z_1 is given as:

$$z_1 = (3e_c)^{-1/3} + (3e_c)^{-5/3} \left[1 + \left(\frac{0.7598}{e_c}\right)^{4/3} + \left(\frac{0.8375}{e_c}\right)^{8/3} + \left(\frac{0.8922}{e_c}\right)^4 + \left(\frac{0.9336}{e_c}\right)^{16/3} + \dots \right] \tag{10}$$

On the other hand, in order to get the value of z_2 , Eq. (8) may be rearranged as:

$$z = e_c + (-1/3)z^{-3}. \tag{11}$$

This way, by means of Eq. (11) and LIT with $\zeta(z) = z$, the value of z_2 is:

$$z_2 = e_c - \frac{e_c^{-3}}{3} \left[1 + \left(\frac{1}{e_c}\right)^4 + \left(\frac{1.0659}{e_c}\right)^8 + \left(\frac{1.1066}{e_c}\right)^{12} + \left(\frac{1.1347}{e_c}\right)^{16} + \dots \right] \tag{12}$$

2.1.3. Sequent Depths in a Triangular Shaped Channel

In order to obtain the sequent depths for a triangular shaped channel, the following equation has to be taken into account [24]:

$$m_c = \frac{1}{2z^2} + \frac{z^3}{3}, \tag{13}$$

in which, m_c is a reduced momentum parameter and z , a reduced depth parameter. There are two zeros of Eq. (13) which are of interest (z_1 and z_2) thus one has to invert it accordingly. In order to get the first root, Eq.(13) can be rearranged as:

$$w = \frac{1}{2m_c} + \frac{1}{3m_c}w^{5/2}, \tag{14}$$

in which $w = z^2$. By means of LIT with $\zeta(w) = w^{1/2}$, the value of z_1 is given as:

$$z_1 = (2m_c)^{-1/2} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^{-(3n+1)/2} 3^{-n} m_c^{-(5n+1)/2} \Gamma[(5n+1)/2]}{n! \Gamma[(3n+3)/2]} \quad (15)$$

On the other hand, in order to get the value of z_2 , Eq. (13) may be rearranged as:

$$r = 3m_c + \frac{-3}{2} r^{-2/3} \quad (16)$$

in which $r = z^3$. This way, by means of Eq. (16) and LIT with $\zeta(z) = r^{1/3}$, the value of z_2 is:

$$z_2 = (3m_c)^{1/3} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3^{-(2n+2)/3} 2^{-n} m_c^{-(5n-1)/3} \Gamma[(5n-1)/3]}{n! \Gamma[(2n+2)/3]} \quad (17)$$

Sequent Depths, as the Alternate Depths, are key parameters in the study of open channel flow.

2.1.4. Sequent Depths in a Parabolic Shaped Channel

In order to obtain the sequent depths for a parabolic shaped channel, the following equation has to be taken into account [24]:

$$m_c = \frac{8}{9z^{3/2}} + \frac{8z^{5/2}}{15} \quad (18)$$

in which, m_c is a reduced momentum parameter and z , a reduced depth parameter. There are two zeros of Eq. (13) which are of interest (z_1 and z_2) thus one has to invert it accordingly. In order to get the first root, Eq.(18) can be rearranged as:

$$q = \frac{8}{9m_c} + \frac{8}{15m_c} q^{8/3} \quad (19)$$

in which $q = z^{3/2}$. By means of LIT with $\zeta(q) = q^{2/3}$, the value of z_1 is given as:

$$z_1 = \left(\frac{8}{9m_c} \right)^{2/3} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3^{-(13n+7)/3} 2^{8n+3} 5^{-n} m_c^{-(8n+2)/3}}{n!} \times \frac{\Gamma[(8n+2)/3]}{\Gamma[(5n+5)/3]} \quad (20)$$

On the other hand, in order to get the value of z_2 , Eq. (18) may be rearranged as:

$$s = \frac{15m_c}{8} + \frac{-5}{3} s^{-3/5} \quad (21)$$

in which $s = z^{5/2}$. This way, by means of Eq. (16) and LIT with $\zeta(s) = s^{2/5}$, the value of z_2 is:

$$z_2 = \left(\frac{15m_c}{8} \right)^{2/5} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3^{-(13n-2)/5} 5^{-3(n+1)/5} 2^{(24n-1)/5}}{n!} \times \frac{m_c^{-(8n-2)/5} \Gamma[(8n-2)/5]}{\Gamma[(3n+3)/5]} \quad (22)$$

2.1.5. Three-Parameter Infiltration Equation

In a recent paper, Rathie et al. [18] studied the three-parameter infiltration equation, stated as:

$$t_* = I_* + (1-\alpha)^{-1} \ln \left[\frac{\alpha}{1-(1-\alpha)\exp(-\alpha I_*)} \right] \quad (23)$$

in which I_* is the nondimensional cumulative infiltration and t_* , the nondimensional time. Also, α is a transition parameter which pertains the interval [0,1]. An approximate solution has been presented in [11].

In order to provide the nondimensional cumulative infiltration explicitly, Eq. (23) can be rearranged as:

$$i = \frac{\alpha}{t} + \frac{1}{t} \quad (24)$$

in which $i = \exp((1-\alpha)I_*)$; $t = \alpha \exp(t_*(\alpha-1))$; and $a = \alpha - 1$. By means of Lagrange's Inversion Theorem, with $\zeta(i) = i^{1/(1-\alpha)}$, the value of interest is given as:

$$I_* = t_* + \ln \left[\frac{1}{\frac{1}{\alpha^{1-\alpha} (1-\alpha)}} \right] + \ln \left[\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\alpha-1}{\alpha^{\alpha-1} \exp[t_* \alpha]} \right)^n \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{\alpha n}{\alpha-1} + \frac{1}{1-\alpha}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{n}{\alpha-1} + \frac{2-\alpha}{1-\alpha}\right)} \frac{1}{n!} \right] \quad (25)$$

Computational programs tend to misinterpret Eq.(25) as the gamma function arguments in the latter became negative integers. It is worth noticing that even if the arguments of individual gamma function in Eq. (25) became problematic, the ratio of the gamma function presented in the reffered equation does not. In order to provide a better way of implementing Eq.(25), let one define the Pochhammer symbol as:

$$(x)_n = \frac{\Gamma(x+n)}{\Gamma(x)} \quad (26)$$

This way, by means of Eq. (26) and the multiplication formula for the gamma function, Eq.(25) is easily converted to:

$$I_* = t_* + \ln \left[\frac{1}{\frac{1}{\alpha^{1-\alpha} (1-\alpha)}} \right] + \ln \left[1 - \alpha + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\alpha-1}{\alpha^{\alpha-1}} e^{-t_* \alpha} \right)^n \frac{\left(\frac{n}{\alpha-1} + \frac{2-\alpha}{1-\alpha} \right)_{n-1}}{n!} \right] \quad (27)$$

More applications of LIT in Civil Engineering have been discussed in [20].

2.2. Algebraic Equations

In the present subsection, the applications related to obtaining solutions to algebraic equations are discussed. One may refer to [3], [6] and [8].

2.2.1. Solution to Real Degree Equations

Recently, Rathie and Ozelim [17] derived the general solution to two classes of real degree equations. The solutions were obtained by means of LIT and subsequently have been converted to H-functions in order to provide a closed-form representation. Since the aim of the present paper is to review the applications of LIT, only the latter shall be discussed. This way, consider the general real degree equation of the following type:

$$x = \alpha + \beta(\gamma + \delta x)^\theta, \tag{28}$$

in which α, β, γ and δ are arbitrary complex numbers and θ is a real number. By means of LIT, with $\zeta(x) = x$, Eq. (28) can be solved for x as:

$$x = \left(\frac{\gamma}{\delta} + \alpha\right) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{[\beta\delta(\gamma + \delta\alpha)^{\theta-1}]^n \Gamma(\theta n + 1)}{\Gamma((\theta-1)n + 2)n!} - \frac{\gamma}{\delta}, \tag{29}$$

if $|\beta\delta(\gamma + \delta\alpha)^{\theta-1}| < 1$.

On the other hand, consider the real degree equation of following type:

$$x^{\alpha^*} = \beta^* + \gamma^* x^{\delta^*}, \tag{30}$$

in which β^* and γ^* are arbitrary complex numbers and α^* and δ^* are real numbers. It can be seen, by comparing Eq.(30) to Eq.(28) that, in general, one is not a special case of the other. Only if $\alpha^* = \theta, \gamma = 0, \delta = \delta^* = 1, \beta^* = -\alpha / \beta$ and $\gamma^* = \beta^{-1}$ they become explicitly correlated. Consider that Eq.(30) can be rewritten as:

$$y = \beta^* + \gamma^* y^{\frac{\delta^*}{\alpha^*}}, \tag{31}$$

in which $x^{\alpha^*} = y$. By means of LIT, with $\zeta(y) = y^{\phi/\alpha^*}$ and assuming $\text{sign}(\phi) = \text{sign}(\alpha^*)$, where ϕ is an arbitrary constant, Eq. (31) provides:

$$x^{\phi} = \frac{\phi(\beta^*)^{\frac{\phi}{\alpha^*}}}{\alpha^*} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\left(\gamma^* \beta^{*\left(\frac{\delta^*}{\alpha^*}-1\right)}\right)^n}{n!} \times \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{\delta^*}{\alpha^*}n + \frac{\phi}{\alpha^*}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\left(\frac{\delta^*}{\alpha^*}-1\right)n + \left(\frac{\phi}{\alpha^*}+1\right)\right)}, \tag{32}$$

if $\left|\gamma^* \beta^{*\left(\frac{\delta^*}{\alpha^*}-1\right)}\right| < 1$.

2.3. Statistics

In the present subsection, applications in statistics are discussed. In order to obtain further information about the generalized logistic distribution, one may refer to [15], [21] and [13].

2.3.1. New Skew Generalized Logistic Distribution

Let the probability density function of the Skew generalized Logistic Distribution be defined as follows [16]:

$$h(z) = \frac{2 \left[a + b(1+p)|z|^p \right] e^{-z(a+b|z|^p)}}{\left\{ e^{-z(a+b|z|^p)} + 1 \right\}^2 \left\{ e^{-cz(a+b|z|^p)} + 1 \right\}}, \tag{33}$$

where $z, c \in \mathfrak{R}$ and $a, b, p > 0$. For the special case in which $c = -1$, Eq. (33) provides:

$$h(z) = \frac{2 \left[a + b(1+p)|z|^p \right] e^{-2z(a+b|z|^p)}}{\left\{ e^{-z(a+b|z|^p)} + 1 \right\}^3}. \tag{34}$$

The cumulative distribution function is obtained by means of Eq. (34) as:

$$H(z) = \frac{2 \left\{ \exp \left[-z(a+b|z|^p) \right] + 1 \right\} - 1}{\left\{ \exp \left[-z(a+b|z|^p) \right] + 1 \right\}^2}. \tag{35}$$

In order to get z as a function of H , Eq. (35) shall be rearranged as:

$$z = \frac{1}{a} \ln \left(\frac{H}{1 + \sqrt{1+H-H}} \right) - \frac{b}{a} z|z|^p. \tag{36}$$

Finally, by applying LIT to Eq. (36), z is explicitly given as:

$$z = \begin{cases} -\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-b/a)^n \Gamma(np+n+1)}{n! \Gamma(np+2)} \times \left[\frac{1}{a} \ln \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{1-H-H}}{H} \right) \right]^{np+1}, & H \leq 0.75 \\ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-b/a)^n \Gamma(np+n+1)}{n! \Gamma(np+2)} \times \left[\frac{1}{a} \ln \left(\frac{H}{1 + \sqrt{1-H-H}} \right) \right]^{np+1}, & H \geq 0.75 \end{cases}. \tag{37}$$

2.3.2. Generalized Loglogistic Distribution

Rathie et al. [19] discussed the cumulative distribution function of the Generalized Loglogistic distribution, defined as:

$$F(z) = \frac{1}{\left\{ \exp \left[-\ln z(a+b|\ln z|^p) \right] + 1 \right\}}, \tag{38}$$

where $a, b, p, z > 0$.

In order to get z as a function of F , Eq. (38) may be rewritten as:

$$\ln z = \frac{1}{a} \ln \left(\frac{F}{1-F} \right) - \frac{b}{a} \ln z |\ln z|^p. \tag{39}$$

By applying LIT to Eq. (39), the following is obtained:

$$\ln z = \begin{cases} -\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-b/a)^n \Gamma(np+n+1)}{n! \Gamma(np+2)} \times \left[\frac{1}{a} \ln \left(\frac{1-F}{F} \right) \right]^{np+1}, & H \leq 0.5 \\ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-b/a)^n \Gamma(np+n+1)}{n! \Gamma(np+2)} \times \left[\frac{1}{a} \ln \left(\frac{F}{1-F} \right) \right]^{np+1}, & H \geq 0.5 \end{cases} \quad (40)$$

2.4. Graph Theory

In the present subsection, applications in Graph theory are discussed. For further information regarding the theory behind the enumeration of certain maps, one may refer to [10], [25] and [26].

2.4.1. Enumeration of Almost Cubic Maps

While studying the enumeration of almost cubic maps, the following equation has been obtained by Mathai and Rathie [9]:

$$T = 1 + y^2 T^2 + xy^{-1}(T - yL - 1). \quad (41)$$

In order to solve Eq. (41) for T , the following rearrangement has to be taken into account:

$$T = \left[1 - xy(y-x)^{-1}L \right] + y^3(y-x)^{-1}T^2. \quad (42)$$

By applying LIT to Eq. (42), T is given as:

$$T = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(2n)!}{n!(n+1)!} \left[y^3(y-x)^{-1} \right]^n \times \left[1 - xy(y-x)^{-1}L \right]^{n+1}. \quad (43)$$

It is worth noticing that Eq.(43) can be further simplified by means of the binomial expansion. Some applications of LIT in Graph Theory have been discussed by Rathie [14].

2.5. Chemical Engineering

In the present subsection, applications in chemical engineering are discussed. One may refer to [4] and [5] for further information about the equations solved.

2.5.1. Friction Factor Problems Involving Laminar Flow of Bingham Plastic Fluids

In a recent paper, Swamee et al. [22] analyzed the following implicit equation related to friction factor problems involving laminar flow of Bingham plastic fluids:

$$f \text{Re} = 64 + \frac{32 \text{He}}{3 \text{Re}} - \frac{4.096}{3(f \text{Re})^3} \left(\frac{\text{He}}{\text{Re}} \right)^4, \quad (44)$$

in which f is the parameter of interest and Re and He are constants. By means of LIT, by taking $\zeta(f \text{Re}) = (f \text{Re})$, Eq. (44) is solved as:

$$\frac{f \text{Re}}{64} \left(1 + \frac{\text{He}}{6 \text{Re}} \right)^{-1} = 1 - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{27}{256} \right)^n \frac{(4n-2)!}{n!(3n-1)! P^{4n}}, \quad (45)$$

where $P = 1 + 6\text{Re}/\text{He}$. One may notice that the series in Eq. (45) is fast converging for cases in which P (or He/Re is small). This way, one has to find another series which fastly converges when He/Re is large. Thus, consider the following rearrangement of Eq. (44):

$$\frac{f \text{Re}^2}{\text{He}} = 8 + \left(192 \left(\frac{f \text{Re}^2}{\text{He}} \right)^3 \times \left(\frac{\text{He}}{\text{Re}} \left[3 \left(\frac{f \text{Re}^2}{\text{He}} \right)^2 + 16 \frac{f \text{Re}^2}{\text{He}} + 64 \right] \right)^{-1} \right)^{0.5} \quad (46)$$

Equation (46) can be readily inverted by means of LIT with $\zeta(f \text{Re}^2/\text{He}) = f \text{Re}^2/\text{He}$ as:

$$\frac{f \text{Re}^2}{\text{He}} = 8 + \left(\frac{256}{h} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{26.66667}{h} + \left(\frac{9.89184}{h} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} + \left(\frac{4.07340}{h} \right)^2 - \left(\frac{3.25977}{h} \right)^{\frac{5}{2}} + \dots \quad (47)$$

This way, f is given explicitly. In order to define the applicability of both Eqs. (45) and (47), after an error analysis, Swamee et al. [22] showed that the former is valid for $\text{He}/\text{Re} \leq 30$ and the latter, otherwise.

2.5.2. Diameter Problems Involving Laminar Flow of Bingham Plastic Fluids

Swamee et al. [22] also studied the diameter problems related to the laminar flow of Bingham plastic fluids by means of the following equation:

$$T^2 \left(T^2 + \frac{32}{3}T + 32 \right) = \frac{128q}{\pi}, \quad (48)$$

in which $T = D^* - 4$, D^* is the parameter of interest and q is a constant. For small q , Eq. (48) can be inverted by means of LIT if one takes $y = T^2$; $\zeta(y) = y^{-1/2}$; $\chi = \pi/4q$; $\delta = \pi/128q$ and $\varphi(y) = y^{-1/2}(y^{-1/2} + 32/3)$. This way, the solution process yields:

$$D^* = 4 + \left(\frac{q}{0.78540} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - \frac{q}{4.71239} + \left(\frac{q}{5.50973} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} - \left(\frac{q}{5.36736} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{q}{5.06622} \right)^{\frac{5}{2}} - \left(\frac{q}{4.77252} \right)^3 + \left(\frac{q}{4.51764} \right)^{\frac{7}{2}} - \left(\frac{q}{4.30223} \right)^4 + \left(\frac{q}{4.12051} \right)^{\frac{9}{2}} - \left(\frac{q}{3.96628} \right)^5 + \left(\frac{q}{3.83424} \right)^{\frac{11}{2}} - \dots \quad (49)$$

On the other hand, for large values of q , by using LIT with $y = T^4$; $\zeta(y) = y^{-1/4}$; $\chi = \pi/128q$; $\delta = \pi/4q$ and $\varphi(y) = y^{1/4}/3 + y^{1/2}$, the value of D^* is given as:

$$\begin{aligned}
D^* = & \frac{4}{3} + \left(\frac{q}{0.02454}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}} + \left(\frac{1.24112}{q}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}} + \left(\frac{0.55161}{q}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - \\
& - \left(\frac{0.94098}{q}\right)^{\frac{3}{4}} + \left(\frac{0.37144}{q}\right)^{\frac{5}{4}} + \left(\frac{0.57154}{q}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} - \\
& - \left(\frac{0.81428}{q}\right)^{\frac{7}{4}} + \left(\frac{0.56270}{q}\right)^{\frac{9}{4}} + \left(\frac{0.74826}{q}\right)^{\frac{5}{2}} - \\
& - \left(\frac{0.92999}{q}\right)^{\frac{11}{4}} + \left(\frac{0.72183}{q}\right)^{\frac{13}{4}} - \dots
\end{aligned} \tag{50}$$

This way, the series above give the diameter parameter D^* explicitly. Swamee et al. [22] showed that, in order to diminish the error related to the applicability of both Eqs. (49) and (50), the former is valid for $q \leq 1.05$ and the latter, otherwise.

3. Conclusions

Nonlinear problems are the core of most of Science's branches. This way, analytical tools to provide exact solutions to nonlinear equations play a major role in each of these fields. Lagrange's Inversion Theorem (LIT) shows up as a good alternative in the solution process. A total of eleven applications in four different fields have been discussed, and the importance of the solutions provided by LIT is widely recognized.

Conflict of Interest

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