

# Half-Sweep Refinement of SOR Iterative Method via Linear Rational Finite Difference Approximation for Second-Order Linear Fredholm Integro-Differential Equations

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**Abstract** The numerical solutions of the second-order linear Fredholm integro-differential equations have been considered and discussed based on several discretization schemes. In this paper, the new schemes are developed derived on the hybrid of the three-point half-sweep linear rational finite difference (3HSLRFD) approaches with the half-sweep composite trapezoidal (HSCT) approach. The main advantage of the established schemes is that they discretize the differential terms and integral term of second-order linear Fredholm integro-differential equations into the algebraic equations and generate the corresponding linear system. Furthermore, the half-sweep (HS) concept is combined with the refinement of the successive over-relaxation (RSOR) iterative method to create the new half-sweep successive over-relaxation (HSRSOR) iterative method, which is implemented to get the numerical solution of a system of linear algebraic equations. Apart from that, the classical or full-sweep Gauss-Seidel (FSGS) and full-sweep successive over-relaxation iterative (FSSOR) methods are presented, which serve as the control method in this paper. In the end, we employed FSGS, FRSOR and HRSOR methods to obtain numerical solutions of three examples and make a detailed comparison from three aspects of the number of iterations, elapsed time and

maximum absolute error. Numerical results demonstrate that FRSOR and HRSOR methods have lesser iterations, faster elapsed time, and are more accurate than FSGS. In addition, HRSOR is the most effective of the three methods. To sum up, this paper has successfully proposed the applicability and superiority of the new HRSOR method based on 3HSLRFD-HSCT schemes.

**Keywords** Second-Order Integro-Differential Equations, Half-Sweep Refinement of SOR Iterative Method, Three-Point Half-Sweep Linear Rational Finite Difference Schemes, Half-Sweep Composite Trapezoidal Scheme

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## 1. Introduction

Integro-differential equations (IDEs) have been used extensively in biological models, economics, oscillation theory, ocean circulations, control theory of industrial mathematics and other fields [1-3] since they were introduced by Volterra [4]. Due to inherent complexity, it is not easy to obtain analytical solutions for most IDEs, so

numerical methods are often used to approximate their exact solutions, including the shifted Legendre spectral collocation method [5], a two-grid finite element method [6], Atangana–Baleanu approach [7], Pseudo-operational matrix method [8], and Euler wavelets method [9]. The goal of this paper is to inspect the numerical technique to approximate the solution of the general linear second-order Fredholm integro-differential equations (FIDEs) of form

$$y''(x) = \alpha(x)y'(x) + \beta(x)y(x) + \gamma(x) + \int_{\varphi}^{\phi} K(x,u)y(u)du, \quad (1)$$

$\varphi \leq x \leq \phi$ , with boundary conditions at two points

$$y(\varphi) = y_{\varphi}, y(\phi) = y_{\phi},$$

where  $\varphi$  and  $\phi$  are constant, the functions  $\alpha(x)$ ,  $\beta(x)$ ,  $\gamma(x)$  and the kernel  $K(x,u)$  are known, the  $y(x)$  is an unknown function that needs to be determined.

In recent years, a growing number of numerical techniques have been outlined to solve the numerical solutions of problem (1), such as, variational iteration method [10], reproducing kernel Hilbert space method [11], Hermite Trigonometric Wavelets method [12], Non-standard finite difference method [13], Adomian Decomposition Method [14], A multiscale Galerkin method [15], exponential spline [16], hybridizable discontinuous Galerkin method [17]. In this study, we mainly applied three schemes, namely, the three-point half-sweep linear rational finite difference (3HSLRFD), the half-sweep composite trapezoidal (HSCT) and half-sweep refinement of Successive Over-Relaxation (HSRSOR), which are the combination of half-sweep (HS) [18] iteration concept and three-point linear rational finite difference (3LRFD), composite trapezoidal (CT) [19] and refinement of Successive Over-Relaxation (RSOR) [20,21] respectively. First, let us review the HS iteration concept, which was first proposed by Abdullah [18] in 1991, mainly for solving two-dimensional Poisson equations. The main advantage of the half-sweep iteration method is that it reduces the computing cost of full-sweep linear systems created by matching approximation equations. Because of the low computing complexity of this approach, more research has been undertaken in [22-26] to reveal the feasibility of the HS iteration. In addition to these one-stage iteration concepts, many combinations of HS iteration concepts with two-stage iterative techniques, such as HSIAD [27], HSAGE [28,29], HSAM [30], and HSGM [31], have been developed to solve linear problems. They demonstrated that the two-stage iterative methods they devised are among the most efficient iterative approaches for solving any system of linear equations. Furthermore, the basic multigrid techniques have been enhanced by the introduction of a family of HS multigrid methods [32,33]. As a result, Hassan et al. [34,35] developed a series of FDTD algorithms for tackling wave propagation issues based on this notion. Meanwhile, the effectiveness and feasibility of the half-sweep iteration approach have been successfully applied and worked on robotic path planning

[36,37].

The key idea of this concept is to take only half of the points in the solving domain of the problem to be solved, which naturally reduces the number of iterations and speeds up the elapsed time. Considering these advantages, future discussions in this paper will focus on extending it in conjunction with 3LRFD, CT and RSOR, three schemes to obtain the numerical solutions of problem (1).

The linear rational finite difference (LRFD) [38] scheme is a derivative of linear barycentric rational interpolation (LBRI), which offers a better approximation than the finite difference (FD) method, particularly when approximating the derivative value of a point near the end of the interval. Therefore, it has been favored by researchers in recent years. For instance, it is applied to solve the problem of VIDEs [39], delay VIDEs [40], stiff ODEs [41] and first-order FIDEs [42-44]. Meanwhile, this also motivates us to extend the LRFD method to the three-point LRFD (3LRFD) scheme to discretize the differential terms of the FIDEs. In this paper, the 3HSLRFD and HSCT methods are combined to establish the new 3HSLRFD-HSCT discretization schemes, which are used to discretize the  $y'(x)$ ,  $y''(x)$  and  $\int_{\varphi}^{\phi} K(x,u)y(u)du$  terms over problem (1) to obtain the corresponding approximation equations, then generate the corresponding linear system. Finally, the newly constructed HRSOR scheme is implemented to find the numerical solution of the corresponding linear system.

We shall divide this paper into four sections besides the present one. In the second section, three new methods of 3HSLRFD, HSCT and HRSOR are constructed, and the numerical solution of problem (1) is derived in detail by using these three schemes. The third section performs the numerical experiments. The final section summarises conclusions based on the findings work.

## 2. Methodology

In this section, the newly constructed 3HSLRFD, HSCT and HRSOR schemes are used to acquire the numerical solution of problem (1). The solution procedure is done in two stages. The first stage is to construct the new 3HSLRFD-HSCT discretization schemes of the problem (1). The second stage is by using the HRSOR iterative method to obtain the numerical solution of the corresponding approximation equation for the problem (1).

Divide the domain  $[\varphi, \phi]$  into  $N$  equal-length subintervals

$$h = \frac{\phi - \varphi}{N}, x_i = u_i = \varphi + ih, i = 0, 1, \dots, N.$$

In this paper, let  $N = 2^{\mu}$ ,  $\mu \geq 1$ . Before constructing these three new methods, let us review the HS iteration concept [18]. The general solution procedure is based on the full-sweep (FS) iteration concept, which takes all the interval's partition points. On the other hand, the HS iteration method only takes even partition points into

account. Figure 1 depicts the grid-point distribution. The iteration methods FS and HS are represented by (a) and (b), respectively. According to Figure 1, the FS and HS iteration concepts will only compute approximate values onto node points of type ● until the convergence condition is met. Then, using the direct method [18,22-31], other approximate solutions can be computed at the remaining points (points of a different type ○).

In comparison to  $h$  for each grid size of the FS iteration, each grid size of the HS iteration is  $2h$ , implying that the latter is significantly faster and more computationally efficient than the former.

Considering the distribution of uniformly points in the HS case, we begin to combine the HS iteration method alone with the 3LRFD, CT and RSOR schemes, respectively, to build three new schemes, namely 3HSLRFD, HSCT and HRSOR.

**2.1. The Three-Point Half-Sweep Linear Rational Finite Difference Scheme**

As mentioned at the beginning of this section, the first step in the solution process is to hybridize the 3HSLRFD and HSCT formulas to develop a fast and reliable algorithm for constructing the approximate equation of the problem (1). In this subsection, we attempt to construct the new 3HSLRFD schemes, primarily applied to discretize the

differential terms of the problem (1).

First, we will discuss the LRFD method [38], which is based on LBRI as stated in the introduction section. Let us consider a grid

$$\varphi = x_0 < x_1 \cdots < x_m = \phi,$$

for the given interval  $[\varphi, \phi]$  and corresponding values  $y(x_j)$ ,  $j = 0, 1, \dots, m$ . The LBRI for these data will be as follows:

$$Y_{F_m}(x) = \sum_{j=0}^m \left( \frac{\left( \frac{\xi_{F_j}}{x - x_j} \right) y(x_j)}{\left( \sum_{j=0}^m \frac{\xi_{F_j}}{x - x_j} \right)} \right), \tag{2}$$

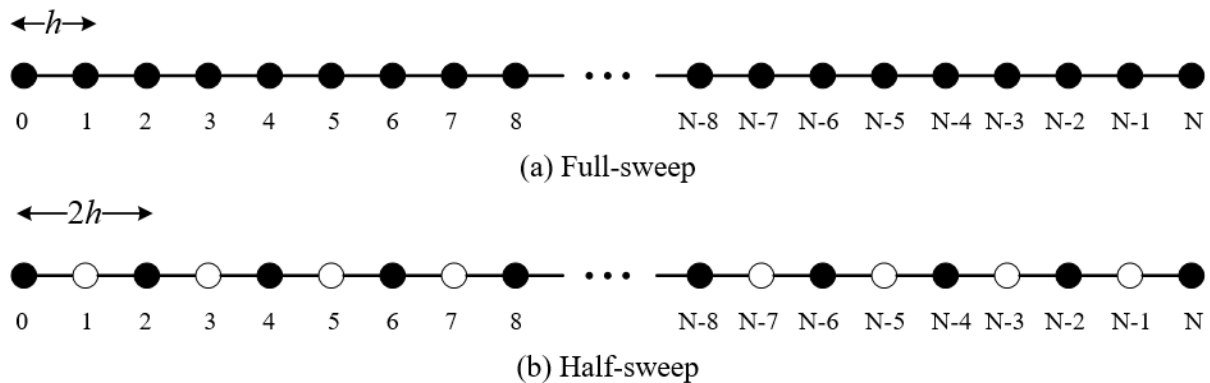
where the weights  $\xi_{F_j}$ , were proposed by Floater and Hormann in 2007, the weights formulas for nodes with the same step size  $h$ , are given as [45]

$$\xi_{F_j} = \frac{(-1)^{j-d}}{2^d} \sum_{s \in J_{F_j}} \binom{d}{j-s}, \tag{3}$$

$$(j = 0, 1, \dots, m)$$

with

$$J_{F_j} := \{s \in \{0, 1, \dots, m-d\} \mid j-d \leq s \leq j\}.$$



**Figure 1.** Distribution of the uniform mesh size for full- and half-sweep cases

In 2012, Klien and Berrt [38] introduced the derivatives of LBRI, and the formulas of LRFD to approximate the  $y'(x)$  and  $y''(x)$  on  $x_0 < x_1 \dots < x_m$  are written as

$$y'(x) \approx Y'_{F_m}(x_i) = \frac{1}{h} \sum_{j=0}^m D_{F_{i,j}}^{(1)} y(x_j), \tag{4}$$

$(i = 0, 1, \dots, m)$

and

$$y''(x) \approx Y''_{F_m}(x_i) = \frac{2}{h^2} \sum_{j=0}^m D_{F_{i,j}}^{(2)} y(x_j), \tag{5}$$

$(i = 0, 1, \dots, m)$

where

$$D_{F_{i,j}}^{(1)} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{i-j} \frac{\xi_{F_j}}{\xi_{F_i}}, & j \neq i, \\ -\sum_{l=0, l \neq i}^m D_{F_{i,l}}^{(1)}, & j = i, \end{cases} \tag{6}$$

$(i, j = 0, 1, \dots, m)$

and

$$D_{F_{i,j}}^{(2)} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{i-j} \left( \frac{\xi_{F_j}}{\xi_{F_i}} D_{F_{i,j}}^{(1)} - D_{F_{i,j}}^{(1)} \right), & j \neq i, \\ -\sum_{l=0, l \neq i}^m D_{F_{i,l}}^{(2)}, & j = i. \end{cases} \tag{7}$$

$(i, j = 0, 1, \dots, m)$

Based on the introduction of the HS iteration concept and referring to (2)-(3) in this section. The half-sweep LBRI (HSLBRI) method on  $x_0 < x_2 \dots < x_m$  ( $m$  here and below is even) can be built as follows

$$Y_{H_m}(x) = \sum_{j=0,2}^m \frac{\left( \frac{\xi_{H_j}}{x-x_j} \right) y(x_j)}{\left( \sum_{j=0,2}^m \frac{\xi_{H_j}}{x-x_j} \right)}, \tag{8}$$

where

$$\xi_{H_j} = \frac{(-1)^{\frac{j-d}{2}}}{2^d} \sum_{s \in J_{H_j}} \binom{d}{\frac{j}{2}-s}, \tag{9}$$

$(j = 0, 2, \dots, m)$

with

$$J_{H_j} := \left\{ s \in \left\{ 0, 1, \dots, \frac{m}{2} - d \right\} \mid \frac{j}{2} - d \leq s \leq \frac{j}{2} \right\}.$$

In a similar way to derive HSLBRI, based on the HS iteration concept and referring to (4)-(7), half-sweep linear rational finite difference (HSLRFD) schemes to approximate the  $y'(x)$  and  $y''(t)$  on  $x_0 < x_2 \dots < x_m$  are written as

$$y'(x) \approx Y'_{H_m}(x_i) = \frac{1}{h} \sum_{j=0,2}^m D_{H_{i,j}}^{(1)} y(x_j), \tag{10}$$

$(i=0, 2, \dots, m)$

and

$$y''(x) \approx Y''_{H_m}(x_i) = \frac{2}{h^2} \sum_{j=0,2}^m D_{H_{i,j}}^{(2)} y(x_j), \tag{11}$$

$(i = 0, 2, \dots, m)$

with

$$D_{H_{i,j}}^{(1)} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{i-j} \frac{\xi_{H_j}}{\xi_{H_i}}, & j \neq i, \\ -\sum_{l=0,2, l \neq i}^m D_{H_{i,l}}^{(1)}, & j = i, \end{cases} \tag{12}$$

$(i, j = 0, 2, \dots, m)$

and

$$D_{H_{i,j}}^{(2)} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{i-j} \left( \frac{\xi_{H_j}}{\xi_{H_i}} D_{H_{i,j}}^{(1)} - D_{H_{i,j}}^{(1)} \right), & j \neq i, \\ -\sum_{l=0,2, l \neq i}^m D_{H_{i,l}}^{(2)}, & j = i. \end{cases} \tag{13}$$

$(i, j = 0, 2, \dots, m)$

In contrast to the HSLBRI scheme in (8) and HSLRFD schemes in (10)-(11) developed based on the HS iteration concept in this paper, the LBRI scheme in (2) and LRFD schemes in (4)-(5) are also referred to as FSLBRI and FSLRFD, respectively. We need to consider three-point to derive the 3HSLRFD scheme, so assume  $m = 2$  in (2).

Equation (8) is the interpolation function on  $(m/2 + 1)$  interpolation nodes. In the following, we only consider the interpolation on  $x_{i-2}, x_i, x_{i+2}, i = 2, 4, \dots, N-2$ , and in combination with (9)-(13), we quickly derive the 3HSLRFD formulas

$$y'(x) \approx Y'(x_i) + \varepsilon^{(1)}(x_i), \quad (i = 2, 4, \dots, N-2) \tag{14}$$

and

$$y''(x) \approx Y''(x_i) + \varepsilon^{(2)}(x_i), \quad (i = 2, 4, \dots, N-2) \tag{15}$$

where  $\varepsilon^{(1)}(x_i)$  are  $\varepsilon^{(2)}(x_i)$  truncation errors. Then the expression of  $Y'(x_i)$  and  $Y''(x_i)$  can be defined as

$$Y'(x_i) = \frac{1}{h} \sum_{j=i-2,i}^{i+2} D_{i,j}^{(1)} y(x_j), \tag{16}$$

and

$$Y''(x_i) = \frac{2}{h^2} \sum_{j=i-2,i}^{i+2} D_{i,j}^{(2)} y(x_j), \tag{17}$$

where

$$D_{i,j}^{(1)} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{i-j} \frac{\xi_{i,j}}{\xi_{i,i}}, & j \neq i, \\ -\left( D_{i,i-2}^{(1)} + D_{i,i+2}^{(1)} \right), & j = i, \end{cases} \tag{18}$$

$(i, j = 2, 4, \dots, N-2)$

and

$$D_{i,j}^{(2)} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{i-j} \left( \frac{\xi_{i,j}}{\xi_{i,i}} D_{i,i}^{(1)} - D_{i,j}^{(1)} \right), & j \neq i, \\ -(D_{i,i-2}^{(2)} + D_{i,i+2}^{(2)}), & j = i. \end{cases} \quad (19)$$

$(i, j = 2, 4, \dots, N-2)$

In this study, to derive an approximation equation of the problem (1), we mainly used (14) and (15) to discretize the first and second derivative terms of (1) respectively. For the 3HSLRFD schemes, we take  $d = 1$ , and the corresponding values of  $\xi_{i,i}$ ,  $D_{i,j}^{(1)}$  and  $D_{i,j}^{(2)}$  are shown in Tables 1 and 2, the corresponding order of error accuracy can then be calculated using Taylor series expansion as follows:  $|\varepsilon^1(x_i)| = O(h^2)$ ,  $|\varepsilon^2(x_i)| = O(h^2)$ .

**Table 1.** The values of  $\xi_{i,j}$

$\xi_{i,i-2}$	$\xi_{i,i}$	$\xi_{i,i+2}$
-1/2	1	-1/2

**Table 2.** The values of  $D_{i,j}^{(1)}$  and  $D_{i,j}^{(2)}$

$D_{i,i-2}^{(1)}$	$D_{i,i}^{(1)}$	$D_{i,i+2}^{(1)}$	$D_{i,i-2}^{(2)}$	$D_{i,i}^{(2)}$	$D_{i,i+2}^{(2)}$
-1/4	0	1/4	1/8	-1/4	1/8

### 2.2. The Half-Sweep Composite Trapezoidal Scheme

This subsection elaborates the HSCT scheme, which is derived from a family of quadrature methods and is used to discretize the integral term of the problem (1), which coincides to differential terms in subsection 2.1.

In general, the quadrature scheme is written as

$$\int_{\phi}^{\phi} y(u)du = \sum_{j=0,1}^N C_{F_j} y(u_j) + \tilde{\delta}_N(y), \quad (20)$$

where

$C_{F_j}$  are the numerical coefficients;

$\tilde{\delta}_N(y)$  is the truncation error.

To construct the quadrature scheme in getting the approximation equations of (1), we look at the composite trapezoidal (CT) scheme. As a result, the  $C_{F_j}$  based on the CT formula is as follows

$$C_{F_j} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}h, & j = 0, N, \\ h, & j = 1, 2, \dots, N-1. \end{cases} \quad (21)$$

In this paper, we also call (20) as a full-sweep composite trapezoidal (FSCT) scheme. In contrast with the FSCT scheme of (20), The HSCT formula is obtained by

combining the HS iteration method with the CT formula as follows

$$\int_{\phi}^{\phi} y(u)du = \sum_{j=0,2}^N C_j y(u_j) + \delta_N(y), \quad (22)$$

where

$$C_j = \begin{cases} h, & j = 0, N, \\ 2h, & j = 2, 4, \dots, N-2. \end{cases} \quad (23)$$

By substituting (14), (15) and (22) into (1), the general form of the 3HSLRFD-HSCT approximate equation can be constructed as

$$\frac{1}{h^2} \sum_{j=i-2,i}^{i+2} D_{i,j}^{(2)} y_j = \frac{1}{h} \alpha_i \sum_{j=i-2,i}^{i+2} D_{i,j}^{(1)} y_j + \beta_i y_i + \gamma_i + \sum_{j=0,2}^N C_j K_{i,j} y_j, \quad (i = 2, 4, \dots, N-2) \quad (24)$$

where  $y_i = y(x_i)$ ,  $\alpha_i = \alpha(x_i)$ ,  $\beta_i = \beta(x_i)$ ,  $\gamma_i = \gamma(x_i)$  and  $K_{i,j} = K(x_i, x_j)$ .

Focusing on the approximation equations (24), the related linear system can be easily expressed as

$$My = F, \quad (25)$$

where  $M = \tilde{M}^T \tilde{M}$ ,  $F = \tilde{M}^T \tilde{F}$ ,

$$y^T = [y_2 \quad y_4 \quad \dots \quad y_{N-4} \quad y_{N-2}],$$

$$F^T = [F_2 \quad F_4 \quad \dots \quad F_{N-4} \quad F_{N-2}],$$

$$\tilde{F}^T = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma_2 + hK_{2,0}y_0 + hK_{2,N}y_N - \frac{\alpha_2 y_0}{4h} - \frac{y_0}{4h^2} \\ \gamma_4 + hK_{4,0}y_0 + hK_{4,N}y_N \\ \vdots \\ \gamma_{N-4} + hK_{N-4,0}y_0 + hK_{N-4,N}y_N \\ \gamma_{N-2} + hK_{N-2,0}y_0 + hK_{N-2,N}y_N + \frac{\alpha_{N-2} y_N}{4h} - \frac{y_N}{4h^2} \end{bmatrix}.$$

The first step of the solution process has now been completed, and we have obtained the 3HSLRFD-HSCT discretization schemes for the derivation of approximation equation (24) and used them to generate the corresponding linear system (25).

### 2.3. The Half-Sweep Refinement of Successive Over-Relaxation Scheme

We will move on to the second stage to find the numerical solution for the linear system (25). In general, there are direct and iterative approaches for solving the linear system. The former includes Cramer's rule, Gauss elimination, and LU decomposition suitable for solving a linear system with a low-scale coefficient matrix to get its approximate solution. Whereas, in practical problems, the coefficient matrix of a linear system is often large and dense, so the latter has incomparable advantages. Simultaneously, we know from the previous section that the distinctive feature of the linear

system's coefficient matrix  $M$  is a dense matrix since the integral term adopts the HSCT discretization scheme. Thus, we apply iterative methods to obtain numerical solutions for the linear system (25).

In this study, we construct a new HRSOR iterative method which is the combined form of HS concept and RSOR scheme, to solve a numerical solution of the linear system (25). To accomplish this, first let decompose the coefficient matrix  $M$  as the sum of three matrices, as shown below.

$$M = P - Q - R, \tag{26}$$

where

- $P$  is the matrix of diagonal;
- $Q$  is the matrix of strictly lower triangular;
- $R$  is the matrix of strictly upper triangular.

Therefore, the general formula for the HSSOR iterative scheme can be demonstrated [19,20,45,46].

$$y^{(k+1)} = (P - \omega Q)^{-1} ((1 - \omega)P + \omega R) y^{(k+1)} + \omega (P - \omega Q)^{-1} F, \tag{27}$$

where  $\omega$  is relaxation factor,  $k$  is the number of iterations and

$$y^{(k)} = [y_2^{(k)} \quad y_4^{(k)} \quad \dots \quad y_{N-2}^{(k)}]^T.$$

It can be reduced as the HSGS iterative method by taking  $\omega=1$  in (27).

By substituting (26) in (25), we get

$$(P - Q - R)y = F, \\ y = y + \omega(P - \omega Q)^{-1}(F - My).$$

Thus, the RSOR solution is denoted as

$$y^{(k+1)} = y^{(k+1)} + \omega(P - \omega Q)^{-1}(F - My^{(k+1)}), \tag{28}$$

Since  $y^{(k+1)}$  appears on both sides of (28), we can substitute the  $y^{(k+1)}$  on the right-hand side of (28) with (27) and come up at the HRSOR method.

$$y^{(k+1)} = ((P - \omega Q)^{-1} ((1 - \omega)P + \omega R))^2 y^{(k+1)} + \omega(I + (P - \omega Q)((1 - \omega)P + \omega R))(P - \omega Q)^{-1} F. \tag{29}$$

In contrast to HSGS, HSSOR, HSRGS, and HRSOR iterative methods, the classical GS, SOR, RGS, and RSOR [21] iterative methods also known as FSGS, FSSOR, FSRGS, FRSOR iterative methods, respectively. The convergence analysis of HRSOR is similar to that of RSOR, which can be referred to [21].

To solve the problem (1), the HRSOR iterative scheme is implemented to find the numerical solution of the linear system (25). The iteration process is repeated until the solution falls within a predetermined acceptable bound on the error,  $\sigma=10^{-10}$ . Algorithm 1 provides the general algorithm for the HRSOR method of solving the linear

system (25) with an approximate solution to the vector. In this case, Algorithm 1 is run through using MATLAB programming.

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**Algorithm 1:** HRSOR method

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- a. All values are being initialised. Set  $k = 0$  and  $y^{(0)} = \mathbf{0}$ .
- b. For  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , perform

Compute

$$y^{(k+1)} = ((P - \omega Q)^{-1} ((1 - \omega)P + \omega R))^2 y^{(k+1)} + \omega(I + (P - \omega Q)((1 - \omega)P + \omega R))(P - \omega Q)^{-1} F.$$

The convergence evaluate. If the tolerance error

$$\|y^{(k+1)} - y^{(k)}\| \leq \sigma = 10^{-10} \text{ is met, proceed to step c.}$$

Otherwise go back to step b.

- c. Display the numerical solution.
  - d. Stop.
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### 3. Numerical Experiments

The second section investigated the new method for solving the problem (1). This section conducted three numerical simulations to validate the applicability of the newly constructed HRSOR iterative method based on the 3HSLRFD-HSCT discretization schemes.

**Example 1** [47] Consider the second-order linear FIDEs

$$y''(x) = 32x + \int_{-1}^1 (1 - xu)y(u)du, \tag{30}$$

$-1 \leq x \leq 1$ , with boundary conditions at two points

$$y(-1) = -\frac{5}{2}, \quad y(1) = \frac{15}{2},$$

and the exact solution of (30) is

$$y(x) = 5x^3 + \frac{3}{2}x^2 + 1.$$

**Example 2** [1] Consider the second-order linear FIDEs

$$y''(x) = 2 - \frac{16}{15}x - \frac{16}{15}x^2 + \int_{-1}^1 (xu^2 - x^2u)y(u)du, \tag{31}$$

$-1 \leq x \leq 1$ , with boundary conditions at two points

$$y(-1) = -1, \quad y(1) = 3,$$

and the exact solution of (31) is

$$y(t) = x^2 + x + 1.$$

**Example 3** [1] Consider the second-order linear FIDEs

$$y''(x) = e^x - x + \int_0^1 xuy(u)du, \quad (32)$$

$0 \leq x \leq 1$ , with boundary conditions at two points

$$y(0) = 1, \quad y(1) = e,$$

and the exact solution of (32) is

$$y(x) = e^x.$$

In order to completely demonstrate the merits of the HRSOR method, not only the HRSOR method but also the classical FSGS and FRSOR methods are implemented in the above three examples, where the latter two methods played the controlling roles. Whereby, the three criterias for the number of iterations (*Iterations*), the elapsed time (*Time*) in seconds, and the maximum absolute errors (*Error*) at five different numbers of subintervals  $N = 32, 64, 128, 256, 512$  are compared, respectively. In the meantime, with the help of MATLAB software, the numerical results are quickly and reliably obtained. The corresponding results are shown in Tables 3-5.

As can be seen from Tables 3-5, when the same value of  $N$  is taken, among the three methods, HRSOR method based on the 3HSLRFD-HSCT discretization schemes has the fewest *Iterations* and the fastest *Time*, while FSGS method has the most *Iterations* and *Time*. For FRSOR and HRSOR methods, when the value of  $N$  of the latter is

twice that of the former, the results of their corresponding three parameters are almost the same, also see Figures. 2-4. Furthermore, we also calculated the percentage of decrement of the values of the first two parameters obtained using the FRSOR and HRSOR methods compared with the values obtained using the FSGS method, which are as high as 99%, as shown in Table 6. All these indicate that the HRSOR method based on the 3HSLRFD-HSCT discretization schemes is the most meaningful and effective method for solving problem (1) among the three methods.

## 4. Conclusions

This paper successfully investigated the high performance of the newly developed HRSOR iterative method based on the 3HSLRFD-HSCT discretization schemes for getting numerical solutions to the problem (1). The benefits of the proposed method are attributed not only to the 3HSLRFD-HSCT discretization scheme's good approximation properties but also to the fast convergence of the HRSOR iterative method. In the future, we will extend our method to solve other types of equations, such as VIDEs and PDEs, as well as fractional and nonlinear cases [2,5-10,48]. It can also be developed to solve practical problems like population forecasting, stock investment, epidemic disease prevention [1,2,5,49].

## List of the Abbreviations

3FSLRFD	Three-point full-sweep linear rational finite difference
3LRFD	Three-point linear rational finite difference
3HSLRFD	Three-point half-sweep linear rational finite difference
CT	Composite trapezoidal
FD	Finite difference
FDTD	Finite-difference time-domain
FIDEs	Fredholm integro-difference equations
FS	Full-sweep
FSCT	Full-sweep composite trapezoidal
FSGS	Full-sweep Gauss-Seidel
FSLBRI	Full-sweep linear barycentric rational interpolation
FSLRFD	Full-sweep linear rational finite difference
FSRGS	Full-sweep refinement of Gauss-Seidel
FSRSOR	Full-sweep refinement of successive over-relaxation
FSSOR	Full-sweep successive over-relaxation
GS	Gauss-Seidel
HS	Half-sweep
HSAGE	half-sweep alternating group explicit
HSAM	Half-Sweep Arithmetic Mean method

HSCT	Half-sweep composite trapezoidal
HSGM	Half-sweep geometric mean
HSGS	Half-sweep Gauss-Seidel
HSIADE	Half-Sweep Iterative Alternating Decomposition Explicit
HSLBRI	Half-sweep linear barycentric rational interpolation
HSLRFD	Half-sweep linear rational finite difference
HSRGS	Half-sweep refinement of Gauss-Seidel
HSRSOR	Half-sweep refinement of successive over-relaxation
HSSOR	Half-sweep successive over-relaxation
LBRI	Linear barycentric rational interpolation
LRFD	Linear rational finite difference
ODEs	Ordinary differential equations
PDEs	Partial differential equations
RGS	Refinement of Gauss-Seidel
RSOR	Refinement of successive over-relaxation
SOR	Successive over-relaxation
VIDEs	Volterra integro-differential equations

**Table 3.** The comparison of results for three different techniques on Example 1

Parameters	Method	N				
		32	64	128	256	512
<b>Iterations</b>	FSGS-3LRFD	185224	2492458	32429703	400325235	4513359199
	FSRSOR-3LRFD	4247	31012	226096	1637449	11345038
	( $\omega$ )	(1.894120000)	(1.9468360000)	(1.973643000)	(1.987084256)	(1.992892590)
	HSRSOR-3LRFD	589	4247	31012	226096	1637449
	( $\omega$ )	(1.791600000)	(1.894120000)	(1.9468360000)	(1.973643000)	(1.987084256)
	FSGS-3LRFD	0.4624	7.6251	232.2066	6634.2979	190132.3872
<b>Time (seconds)</b>	FSRSOR-3LRFD	0.0105	0.1209	1.5437	26.3720	551.8140
	HSRSOR-3LRFD	0.0013	0.0143	0.1406	1.7230	27.1865
	FSGS-3LRFD	1.2910E-03	3.2510E-04	1.0914E-04	4.5008E-04	4.9842E-03
<b>Error</b>	FSRSOR-3LRFD	1.2908E-03	3.2279E-04	8.0914E-05	2.1434E-05	1.1088E-05
	HSRSOR-3LRFD	5.1588E-03	1.2908E-03	3.2279E-04	8.0914E-05	2.1434E-05
	FSGS-3LRFD	1.2910E-03	3.2510E-04	1.0914E-04	4.5008E-04	4.9842E-03



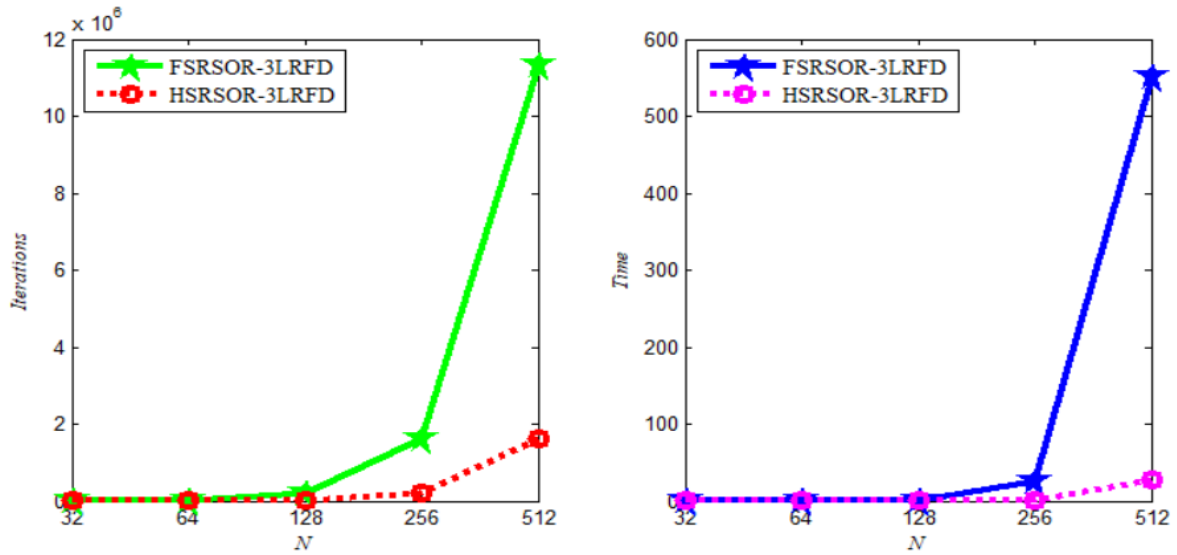


Figure 2. Iterations and Time (seconds) versus  $N$  of two different techniques for Example 1

Table 4. The comparison of results for three different techniques on Example 2

Parameters	Method	$N$				
		32	64	128	256	512
Iterations	FSGS-3LRFD	448234	5959234	76098613	910442625	9658341997
	FRSOR-3LRFD	4996	36507	253489	1936709	13965124
	( $\omega$ )	(1.9440800000)	(1.9722130000)	(1.9853204000)	(1.9932668000)	(1.9967335111)
	HRSOR-3LRFD	728	4996	36507	253489	1936709
	( $\omega$ )	(1.7626000000)	(1.9440800000)	(1.9722130000)	(1.9853204000)	(1.9932668000)
	FSGS-3LRFD	1.0256	27.3561	566.8762	14873.0139	414576.0779
Time (seconds)	FRSOR-3LRFD	0.0122	0.1201	4.8374	28.7981	594.5617
	HRSOR-3LRFD	0.0023	0.0122	0.1153	1.8056	31.4941
	FSGS-3LRFD	5.3204E-04	1.3904E-04	1.2114E-04	1.1261E-03	1.2686E-02
Error	FRSOR-3LRFD	5.3152E-04	1.3314E-04	3.2759E-05	1.1373E-05	2.3281E-05
	HRSOR-3LRFD	2.1151E-03	5.3152E-04	1.3314E-04	3.2759E-05	1.1373E-05
	FSGS-3LRFD	5.3204E-04	1.3904E-04	1.2114E-04	1.1261E-03	1.2686E-02

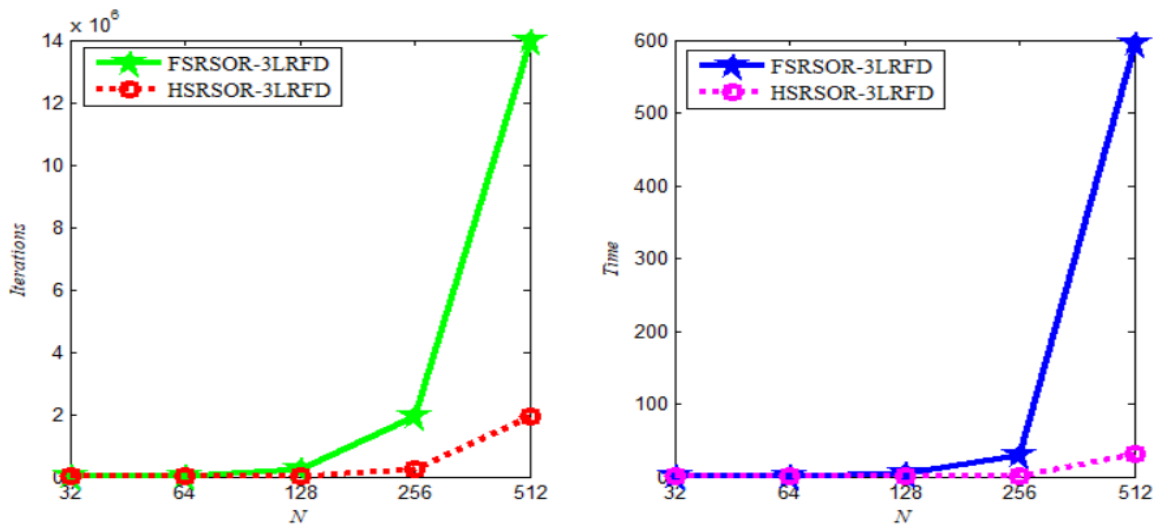
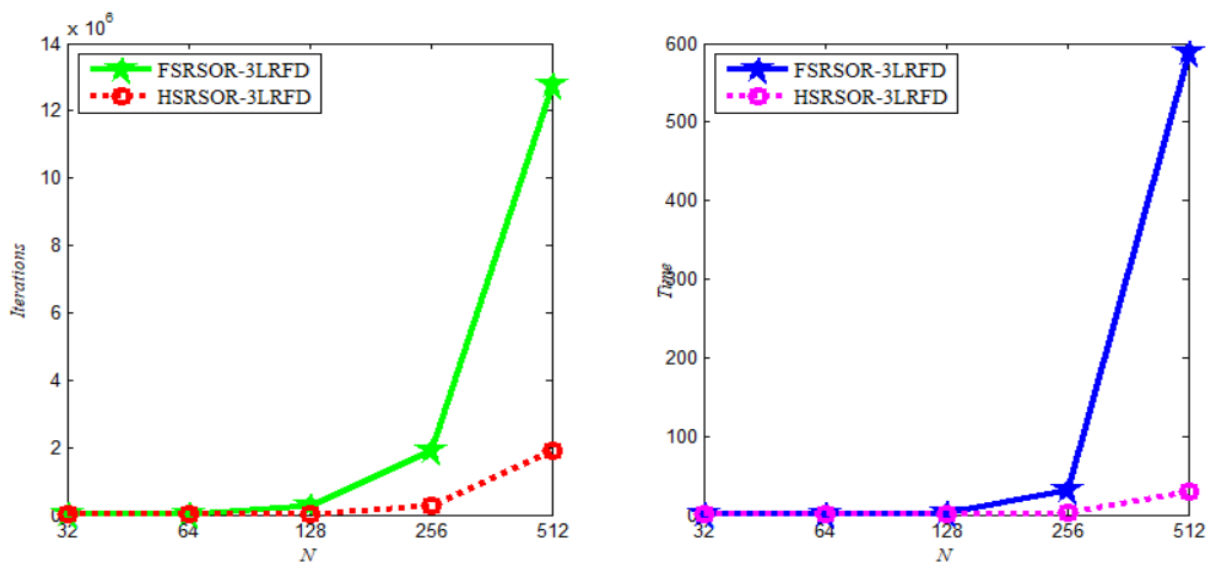


Figure 3. Iterations and Time (seconds) versus  $N$  of two different techniques for Example 2

**Table 5.** The comparison of results for three different techniques on Example 3

Parameters	Method	N				
		32	64	128	256	512
Iterations	FSGS-3LRFD	461118	6163295	79290805	960096418	10428247925
	FRSOR-3LRFD ( $\omega$ )	9239 (1.94229380)	66863 (1.97106190)	482119 (1.98553030)	3685270 (1.99341000)	24259791 (1.99643221)
	HSRSOR-3LRFD ( $\omega$ )	1295 (1.88417900)	9239 (1.94229380)	66863 (1.97106190)	482119 (1.98553030)	3685270 (1.99341000)
Time (seconds)	FSGS-3LRFD	1.0987	23.7031	622.6473	15178.6218	441013.7995
	FRSOR-3LRFD	0.0305	0.3315	3.6553	60.0946	992.9554
	HSRSOR-3LRFD	0.0043	0.0348	0.3415	3.9125	61.6715
Error	FSGS-3LRFD	6.7632E-06	1.0129E-05	9.9643E-05	1.1235E-03	1.1207E-02
	FRSOR-3LRFD	6.0313E-06	1.2856E-06	1.2249E-06	8.4393E-06	5.3243E-05
	HSRSOR-3LRFD	2.4195E-05	6.0313E-06	1.2856E-06	1.2249E-06	8.4394E-06



**Figure 4.** Iterations and Time (seconds) versus N of two different techniques for Example 3

**Table 6.** The percentage of decrement of Iterations and Time of HSRSOR and FRSOR methods relative to FSGS method on Example 1 to Example 3

Example	Method	Iterations	Time
1	FRSOR-3LRFD	97.71%-99.75%	97.73%-99.71%
	HSRSOR-3LRFD	99.68%-99.96%	99.72%-99.99%
2	FRSOR-3LRFD	98.89%-99.86%	98.81%-99.86%
	HSRSOR-3LRFD	99.84%-99.98%	99.78%-99.99%
3	FRSOR-3LRFD	98.96%-99.88%	98.69%-99.87%
	HSRSOR-3LRFD	99.84%-99.98%	99.80%-99.99%

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