

# The Sharma–Tasso–Olver–Burgers equation: its conservation laws and kink solitons

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## Abstract

The present paper deals with the Sharma–Tasso–Olver–Burgers equation (STOBE) and its conservation laws and kink solitons. More precisely, the formal Lagrangian, Lie symmetries, and adjoint equations of the STOBE are firstly constructed to retrieve its conservation laws. Kink solitons of the STOBE are then extracted through adopting a series of newly well-designed approaches such as Kudryashov and exponential methods. Diverse graphs in 2 and 3D postures are formally portrayed to reveal the dynamical features of kink solitons. According to the authors' knowledge, the outcomes of the current investigation are new and have been listed for the first time.

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## 1. Introduction

Partial differential equations (PDEs) particularly their non-linear regimes are applied to model a wide variety of phenomena in the extensive areas of science and engineering. As useful tools for simulating many nonlinear phenomena, such models play a pivotal role in progressing the real world. During the past few decades, one of the major goals has been the construction of novel approaches to extract solitons for PDEs. In the last years, several well-organized methods have been proposed to derive solitons of PDEs, the hyperbolic function method [1–4], the modified Jacobi methods [5–8], the Kudryashov method [9–14], and the exponential method [15–20], are samples to point out.

It is noteworthy that all conservation laws of PDEs do not include physical meanings, however, such laws are essential to

explore the integrability and reduction of PDEs [21, 22]. Conservation laws of PDEs can be found by using a wide range of methods such as the multiplier approach, the Noether approach, the new conservation theorem, and so on. Of these, the new conservation theorem was first established by Ibragimov and is associated with the formal Lagrangian, Lie symmetries, and adjoint equations of PDEs. Conservation laws can be derived for every symmetry of PDEs and the obtained conservation laws are referred to as trivial or non-trivial [23–29].

In the present study, the authors deal with the following Sharma–Tasso–Olver–Burgers equation [30]

$$u_t + c_1(3u_x^2 + 3u^2u_x + 3uu_{xx} + u_{xxx}) + c_2(2uu_x + u_{xx}) = 0, \quad (1)$$

and derive its conservation laws and kink solitons. As is clear from the name of equation (1), such a model consists of the

Sharma–Tasso–Olver and Burgers equations. These equations have been the main concern of a lot of research works. Or-Roshid and Rashidi [31] employed an exponential method to derive the solitons of these equations. In another investigation, multiple solitons of these equations were obtained by Wazwaz in [32] through the simplified Hirota's method. Very recently, Hu *et al* [33] constructed soliton, lump, and interaction solutions of a 2D-STOBE using a series of systematic ansatzes.

Kudryashov and exponential methods, as privileged approaches, have been applied by many scholars to retrieve solitons of PDEs. Particularly, the effectiveness of these methods has been demonstrated by Hosseini *et al* in several papers. Hosseini *et al* [34] derived solitons of the cubic-quartic nonlinear Schrödinger equation using the Kudryashov method. The exponential method was utilized in [35] by Hosseini *et al* to acquire solitons of the unstable nonlinear Schrödinger equation.

The rest of the current study is as follows: In section 2, the conservation theorem and the foundation of Kudryashov and exponential methods are given. In section 3, the formal Lagrangian, Lie symmetries, and adjoint equations of the STOBE are established to derive its conservation laws. In section 4, Kudryashov and exponential methods are adopted to seek solitons of the STOBE. Section 4 further gives diverse graphs in 2 and 3D postures to demonstrate the dynamical features of kink solitons. The achievements of the present paper are provided in section 5.

## 2. The conservation theorem and methods

In the current section, the conservation theorem and the foundation of Kudryashov and exponential methods are formally given.

### 2.1. The conservation theorem

To start, suppose that a PDE can be expressed as

$$P(u, u_x, u_t, \dots) = 0, \quad (2)$$

where  $P$  is a polynomial. The Lie point symmetry generator of equation (2) is given by

$$X = \xi^x(x, t, u) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \xi^t(x, t, u) \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \eta(x, t, u) \frac{\partial}{\partial u}, \quad (3)$$

where  $\xi^x(x, t, u)$ ,  $\xi^t(x, t, u)$ , and  $\eta(x, t, u)$  are known as the infinitesimals. The  $k$ th prolongation of equation (3) is retrieved by

$$X^{(k)} = X + \eta_i^{(1)} \frac{\partial}{\partial u_i^\alpha} + \dots + \eta_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_k}^{(k)} \frac{\partial}{\partial u_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_k}}, \quad k \geq 1,$$

where

$$\eta_i^{(1)} = D_i \eta - (D_i \xi^j) u_j, \\ \eta_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_k}^{(k)} = D_{i_k} \eta_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_{k-1}}^{(k-1)} - (D_{i_k} \xi^j) u_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_{k-1} j}.$$

Above  $i, j = 1, 2$  and  $i_l = 1$  for  $l = 1, 2, \dots, k$ . The total derivative operator is indicated by  $D_i$ .

The formal Lagrangian is given by multiplying equation (2) by  $w$  as follows

$$L = wP,$$

where  $w$  is the adjoint variable. It is noteworthy that the adjoint equation is retrieved by

$$P^* = \frac{\delta L}{\delta u}, \quad (4)$$

where  $\frac{\delta}{\delta u}$  is the variational derivative.

If the solution of equation (4) is found, then, a finite number of conservation laws for equation (2) are derived.

**Theorem 1.** Every Lie point, Lie-Bäcklund, and nonlocal symmetry of equation (2) results in a conservation law. The components of the conserved vector are given by [29]

$$T^i = \xi^i L + W \frac{\delta L}{\delta u_i} + \sum_{s \geq 1} D_{i_1} \dots D_{i_s}(W) \frac{\delta L}{\delta u_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_s}}, \quad (5)$$

where  $W = \eta - \xi^j u_j$ , and  $\xi^i$  and  $\eta$  are the infinitesimal functions. The conserved vectors generated by equation (5) consist of the arbitrary solutions of the adjoint equation. Consequently, one derives a finite number of conservation laws for equation (2) by  $w$  [36].

**Theorem 2.** Derived conserved vectors using (5) are conservation laws of equation (2) if

$$D_i(T^i) = 0.$$

Here,  $D_i$  is referred to as the total derivative [37].

### 2.2. Foundation of methods

The Kudryashov method applies the following series [9, 10]

$$U(\epsilon) = a_0 + a_1 K(\epsilon) + a_2 K^2(\epsilon) + \dots + a_N K^N(\epsilon), \quad a_N \neq 0, \quad (6)$$

as the nontrivial solution of

$$O(U(\epsilon), U'(\epsilon), U''(\epsilon), \dots) = 0. \quad (7)$$

Above,  $a_i$ ,  $i = 0, 1, \dots, N$  are unknowns,  $N$  is retrieved by the balance approach, and

$$K(\epsilon) = \frac{1}{1 + da^\epsilon}$$

is the solution of

$$K'(\epsilon) = K(\epsilon)(K(\epsilon) - 1) \ln(a).$$

Equations (6) and (7) together result in a nonlinear system which by solving it, solitons of equation (7) are derived.

The exponential method investigates a solution for equation (7) as [15, 16]

$$U(\epsilon) = \frac{a_0 + a_1 a^\epsilon + a_2 a^{2\epsilon} + \dots + a_N a^{N\epsilon}}{b_0 + b_1 a^\epsilon + b_2 a^{2\epsilon} + \dots + b_N a^{N\epsilon}}, \\ a_N \neq 0, \quad b_N \neq 0, \quad (8)$$

where the unknowns are acquired later and  $N \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ .

Again, equations (7) and (8) together yield a nonlinear system which by solving it, solitons of equation (7) are obtained.

### 3. The STOB and its conservation laws

In the present section, the conservation theorem is applied to the STOB to derive its conservation laws. First, the formal Lagrangian is derived in the following form

$$L = w(u_t + c_1(3u_x^2 + 3u^2u_x + 3uu_{xx} + u_{xxx}) + c_2(2uu_x + u_{xx})), \quad (9)$$

where  $w$  is the adjoint variable.

The adjoint equation is acquired with the aid of the variational derivative as

$$F^* = -w_t + c_1(-3u^2w_x + 3uw_{xx} - w_{xxx}) + c_2(w_{xx} - 2uw_x). \quad (10)$$

If  $u$  is replaced by  $w$  in equation (10), then, equation (1) is not obtained. Thus, equation (1) is not self-adjoint. In such a case, one can say that  $w = 1$  is a solution of equation (10).

A one-parameter Lie group for equation (1) is given by

$$x \rightarrow x + \varepsilon \xi^x(x, t, u),$$

$$t \rightarrow t + \varepsilon \xi^t(x, t, u),$$

$$u \rightarrow u + \varepsilon \eta(x, t, u),$$

where  $\varepsilon$  is the group parameter, and consequently equation (1) admits following Lie point symmetry generator

$$X = \xi^x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \xi^t \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \eta \frac{\partial}{\partial u}.$$

Obviously,  $X$  must be satisfied the Lie symmetry condition as follow

$$X^{(3)}(u_t + c_1(3u_x^2 + 3u^2u_x + 3uu_{xx} + u_{xxx}) + c_2(2uu_x + u_{xx})) = 0.$$

The third prolongation of the Lie point symmetry generator is given by

$$X^{(3)} = \xi^x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \xi^t \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \eta \frac{\partial}{\partial u} + \eta^x \frac{\partial}{\partial u_x} + \eta^t \frac{\partial}{\partial u_t} + \eta^{xx} \frac{\partial}{\partial u_{xx}} + \eta^{xxx} \frac{\partial}{\partial u_{xxx}},$$

where

$$\eta^x = D_x(\eta) - u_x D_x(\xi^x) - u_t D_x(\xi^t),$$

$$\eta^t = D_t(\eta) - u_x D_t(\xi^x) - u_t D_t(\xi^t),$$

$$\eta^{xx} = D_x(\eta^x) - u_{xx} D_x(\xi^x) - u_{xt} D_x(\xi^t),$$

$$\eta^{xxx} = D_x(\eta^{xx}) - u_{xxx} D_x(\xi^x) - u_{xxt} D_x(\xi^t).$$

If we apply  $X^{(3)}$  to equation (1), an equivalent condition is obtained as

**Table 1.** The commutator table for the above symmetries.

$[X_i, X_j]$	$X_1$	$X_2$	$X_3$
$X_1$	0	0	$X_1 - \frac{2c_2^2}{9c_1} X_2$
$X_2$	0	0	$\frac{X_2}{3}$
$X_3$	$-X_1 + \frac{2c_2^2}{9c_1} X_2$	$-\frac{X_2}{3}$	0

$$\eta^t + c_1(6u_x \eta^x + 6u \eta u_x + 3u^2 \eta^x + 3 \eta u_{xx} + 3u \eta^{xx} + \eta^{xxx}) + c_2(2 \eta u_x + 2u \eta^x + \eta^{xx}) = 0.$$

Now, after some operations, we find the infinitesimal functions as follows

$$\xi^t = k_1 + k_3 t, \quad \xi^x = k_2 + k_3 \left( \frac{3c_1 x - 2c_2^2 t}{9c_1} \right),$$

$$\eta = k_3 \left( \frac{-3c_1 u - c_2}{9c_1} \right),$$

where  $k_1$ ,  $k_2$ , and  $k_3$  are arbitrary constants. Finally, the Lie point symmetry generators of equation (1) are given by

$$X_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial t}, \quad X_2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \quad X_3 = \left( \frac{3c_1 x - 2c_2^2 t}{9c_1} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + t \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \left( \frac{-3c_1 u - c_2}{9c_1} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial u}. \quad (11)$$

The commutator table for the above symmetries (see equation (11)) has been given in table 1.

Now, conservation laws of the STOB for all founded Lie point symmetry generators are derived. Conservation laws formulae for equation (1) are as follows

$$T^x = \xi^x L + W \left[ \frac{\partial L}{\partial u_x} - D_x \left( \frac{\partial L}{\partial u_{xx}} \right) + D_x^2 \left( \frac{\partial L}{\partial u_{xxx}} \right) \right] + D_x(W) \left[ \frac{\partial L}{\partial u_{xx}} - D_x \left( \frac{\partial L}{\partial u_{xxx}} \right) \right] + D_x^2(W) \left[ \frac{\partial L}{\partial u_{xxx}} \right], \quad (12)$$

$$T^t = \xi^t L + W \left( \frac{\partial L}{\partial u_t} \right). \quad (13)$$

**Case 1.** If we employ (12) and (13) to equation (9) with the use of  $X_1$ , we acquire the following conservation laws

$$T_1^x = -3c_1(u_t w u_x + u_t w u^2 + u_{xt} w u) - 2c_2 u_t w u - c_2 u_{xt} w + c_1(3u_t u w_x - u_t w_{xx} + u_{xt} w_x - u_{xxt} w) + c_2 u_t w_x, \\ T_1^t = 3c_1(u^2 u_x w + w u u_{xx} + w u_x^2) + c_2 w(2u u_x + u_{xx}) + c_1 w u_{xxx}.$$

Due to the satisfaction of the divergence condition, these conservation laws are called local conservation laws. Such conservation laws are infinite trivial conservation laws. In this case, we have

$$D_x(T_1^x) + D_t(T_1^t) = u_t w_t - u_t w_t = 0.$$

It is noted that for  $w = 1$ , from  $T_1^x$  and  $T_1^t$ , one can find

$$\widetilde{T}_1^x = -3c_1 u^2 u_t - 3c_1 u u_{xt} - 3c_1 u_x u_t - 2c_2 u u_t - c_2 u_{xt} - c_1 u_{xxt}, \quad (14)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\widetilde{T}_1^t &= 3c_1u^2u_x + 3c_1uu_{xx} + 3c_1u_x^2 + 2c_2uuu_x + c_2u_{xx} \\ &\quad + c_1u_{xxx}.\end{aligned}\quad (15)$$

Finite conserved vectors (14) and (15) satisfy the divergence condition, so they are trivial conservation laws.

**Case 2.** If we apply (12) and (13) to equation (9) with the aid of  $X_2$ , we find the following local conservation laws

$$\begin{aligned}T_2^x &= c_1u_{xx}w_x - c_1u_xw_{xx} + u_xw_x(3c_1u + c_2) \\ &\quad + wu_t, \\ T_2^t &= -wu_x.\end{aligned}$$

Owing to the satisfaction of the divergence condition, these conservation laws are called local conservation laws. Such conservation laws are infinite trivial conservation laws. In this case, we have

$$\begin{aligned}D_x(T_2^x) + D_t(T_2^t) &= -w_x(3c_1u^2u_x + 2c_2uuu_x) \\ &\quad + u_x(3c_1u^2w_x + 2c_2uw_x) = 0.\end{aligned}$$

It is notable that for  $w = 1$ , one can get

$$\begin{aligned}\widetilde{T}_2^x &= u_t, \\ \widetilde{T}_2^t &= -u_x.\end{aligned}$$

The above finite conserved vectors satisfy the divergence condition, consequently, they are trivial conservation laws.

**Case 3.** If we employ (12) and (13) to equation (9) with the use of  $X_3$ , we obtain the following conservation laws

$$\begin{aligned}T_3^x &= 3tc_1uu_t w_x - \frac{2c_2^2tuu_x w_x}{3} - \frac{2c_2^2twu_t}{9c_1} \\ &\quad - 3c_1twu^2u_t - 2c_2twuu_t - 3c_1twu_xu_t \\ &\quad + c_1xuu_x w_x - \frac{2c_2^3tu_x w_x}{9c_1} + c_1u^2w_x + \frac{2c_2uw_x}{3} \\ &\quad - c_1wu_{xx} - \frac{c_1uw_{xx}}{3} - \frac{c_2w_{xx}}{9} \\ &\quad - 3c_1wu_x - \frac{2c_2^2uw}{9c_1} + \frac{c_2xu_x w_x}{3} + c_2tu_t w_x + \frac{2c_1u_x w_x}{3} \\ &\quad + \frac{xwu_t}{3} - c_1wu^3 - c_2wu^2 \\ &\quad - c_2wu_x + \frac{c_2^2w_x}{9c_1} - 3c_1tuwu_{xt} + \frac{2c_2^2tu_x w_{xx}}{9} - \frac{2c_2^2tw_x u_{xx}}{9} \\ &\quad - \frac{c_1xu_x w_{xx}}{3} - c_1tu_t w_{xx} \\ &\quad - c_2twu_{xt} + \frac{c_1xw_x u_{xx}}{3} + c_1tw_x u_{xt} - c_1twu_{xxt}, \\ T_3^t &= 3c_1twu_x^2 + 3c_1twu^2u_x + 3c_1tuwu_{xx} + c_1twu_{xxx} \\ &\quad + 2c_2tuwu_x + c_2twu_{xx} \\ &\quad - \frac{uw}{3} - \frac{c_2w}{9c_1} - \frac{xwu_x}{3} + \frac{2c_2^2twu_x}{9c_1}.\end{aligned}$$

Due to the satisfaction of the divergence condition, these conservation laws are called local conservation laws. Such conservation laws are infinite trivial conservation laws.

It is noted that for  $w = 1$ , one can find

$$\begin{aligned}\widetilde{T}_3^x &= -c_1tu_{xt} - 3c_1uu_x - \frac{2c_2^2u}{9c_1} - c_2u_x - c_2tu_{xt} \\ &\quad - c_1u_{xx} - c_1u^3 - c_2u^2 - \frac{2c_2^2tu_t}{9c_1} \\ &\quad - 3c_1tu^2u_t - 2c_2tuu_t - 3c_1tu_xu_t - 3c_1tuu_{xt} + \frac{uu_t}{3}, \\ \widetilde{T}_3^t &= 3c_1tu^2u_x + 2c_2tuu_x + 3c_1tuu_{xx} + 3c_1tu_x^2 \\ &\quad + c_1tu_{xxx} + c_2tu_{xx} - \frac{u}{3} - \frac{c_2}{9c_1} - \frac{xu_x}{3} + \frac{2c_2^2tu_x}{9c_1}.\end{aligned}$$

Such conserved vectors satisfy the divergence condition, so, they are trivial conservation laws.

#### 4. The STOB and its solitons

In the present section, Kudryashov and exponential methods are adopted to seek solitons of the STOB. The present section further gives diverse graphs in 2 and 3D postures to demonstrate the dynamical features of kink solitons. To start, we establish a transformation as follows

$$u(x, t) = U(\epsilon), \quad \epsilon = x - wt, \quad (16)$$

which  $w$  is the soliton velocity. Equations (16) and (1) together result in

$$\begin{aligned}c_1\frac{d^3U(\epsilon)}{d\epsilon^3} + c_2\frac{d^2U(\epsilon)}{d\epsilon^2} - w\frac{dU(\epsilon)}{d\epsilon} \\ + 3c_1U(\epsilon)\frac{d^2U(\epsilon)}{d\epsilon^2} + 3c_1\left(\frac{dU(\epsilon)}{d\epsilon}\right)^2 \\ + 3c_1U^2(\epsilon)\frac{dU(\epsilon)}{d\epsilon} + 2c_2U(\epsilon)\frac{dU(\epsilon)}{d\epsilon} = 0.\end{aligned}\quad (17)$$

From  $\frac{d^3U(\epsilon)}{d\epsilon^3}$  and  $U^2(\epsilon)\frac{dU(\epsilon)}{d\epsilon}$  in equation (17), one can get [10]  
 $N + 3 = 3N + 1 \Rightarrow N = 1$ .

##### 4.1. Kudryashov method

Equation (6) and  $N = 1$  offer taking the following solution

$$U(\epsilon) = a_0 + a_1K(\epsilon), \quad a_1 \neq 0, \quad (18)$$

for equation (17). From equations (17) and (18), we will attain a nonlinear system as

$$\begin{aligned}6(\ln(a))^2c_1 + 9\ln(a)a_1c_1 + 3a_1^2c_1 &= 0, \\ -12(\ln(a))^2c_1 + 6\ln(a)a_0c_1 - 15\ln(a)a_1c_1 \\ + 6a_0a_1c_1 - 3a_1^2c_1 + 2\ln(a)c_2 \\ + 2a_1c_2 &= 0, \\ 7(\ln(a))^2c_1 - 9\ln(a)a_0c_1 + 6\ln(a)a_1c_1 + 3a_0^2c_1 \\ - 6a_0a_1c_1 - 3\ln(a)c_2 \\ + 2a_0c_2 - 2a_1c_2 - w &= 0, \\ -(\ln(a))^2c_1 + 3\ln(a)a_0c_1 - 3a_0^2c_1 + \ln(a)c_2 \\ - 2a_0c_2 + w &= 0,\end{aligned}$$

where its solution yields

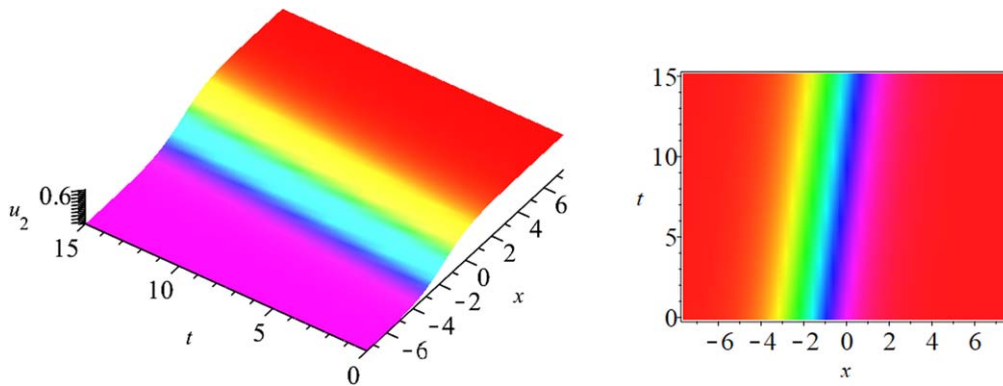


Figure 1. The kink soliton  $u_2(x, t)$  for  $c_1 = 0.15$ ,  $c_2 = 0.15$ ,  $d = 5$ , and  $a = 2.7$ .

Case 1:

$$a_1 = -\ln(a), \quad w = (\ln(a))^2 c_1 - 3 \ln(a) a_0 c_1 + 3 a_0^2 c_1 - \ln(a) c_2 + 2 a_0 c_2.$$

Thus, the following soliton to the STOB is acquired

$$u_1(x, t) = a_0 - \frac{\ln(a)}{1 + d a^{x - ((\ln(a))^2 c_1 - 3 \ln(a) a_0 c_1 + 3 a_0^2 c_1 - \ln(a) c_2 + 2 a_0 c_2) t}}.$$

Case 2:

$$a_0 = \frac{3 c_1 \ln(a) - c_2}{3 c_1}, \quad a_1 = -2 \ln(a),$$

$$w = \frac{3 (\ln(a))^2 c_1^2 - c_2^2}{3 c_1}.$$

Thus, the following soliton to the STOB is derived

$$u_2(x, t) = \frac{3 c_1 \ln(a) - c_2}{3 c_1} - \frac{2 \ln(a)}{1 + d a^{x - \frac{3 (\ln(a))^2 c_1^2 - c_2^2}{3 c_1} t}}.$$

The dynamical features of the kink soliton  $u_2(x, t)$  are given in figure 1 for  $c_1 = 0.15$ ,  $c_2 = 0.15$ ,  $d = 5$ , and  $a = 2.7$ .

#### 4.2. Exponential method

Taking  $N = 1$  in equation (8) leads to

$$U(\epsilon) = \frac{a_0 + a_1 a^\epsilon}{b_0 + b_1 a^\epsilon}, \quad a_1 \neq 0, \quad b_1 \neq 0. \quad (19)$$

From equations (17) and (19), we will achieve a nonlinear system as

$$-(\ln(a))^2 a_0 b_0^2 b_1 c_1 + (\ln(a))^2 a_1 b_0^3 c_1 - 3 \ln(a) a_0^2 b_0 b_1 c_1 + 3 \ln(a) a_0 a_1 b_0^2 c_1 - \ln(a) a_0 b_0^2 b_1 c_2 + \ln(a) a_1 b_0^3 c_2 + w a_0 b_0^2 b_1 - w a_1 b_0^3 - 3 a_0^3 b_1 c_1 + 3 a_0^2 a_1 b_0 c_1 - 2 a_0^2 b_0 b_1 c_2 + 2 a_0 a_1 b_0^2 c_2 = 0,$$

$$4 (\ln(a))^2 a_0 b_0 b_1^2 c_1 - 4 (\ln(a))^2 a_1 b_0^2 b_1 c_1 + 6 \ln(a) a_0^2 b_1^2 c_1 - 12 \ln(a) a_0 a_1 b_0 b_1 c_1 + 6 \ln(a) a_1^2 b_0^2 c_1 + 2 w a_0 b_0 b_1^2 - 2 w a_1 b_0^2 b_1 - 6 a_0^2 a_1 b_1 c_1 - 2 a_0^2 b_1^2 c_2 + 6 a_0 a_1^2 b_0 c_1 + 2 a_1^2 b_0^2 c_2 = 0,$$

$$-(\ln(a))^2 a_0 b_1^3 c_1 + (\ln(a))^2 a_1 b_0 b_1^2 c_1 + 3 \ln(a) a_0 a_1 b_1^2 c_1 + \ln(a) a_0 b_1^3 c_2 - 3 \ln(a) a_1^2 b_0 b_1 c_1 - \ln(a) a_1 b_0 b_1^2 c_2 + w a_0 b_1^3 - w a_1 b_0 b_1^2 - 3 a_0 a_1^2 b_1 c_1 - 2 a_0 a_1 b_1^2 c_2 + 3 a_1^3 b_0 c_1 + 2 a_1^2 b_0 b_1 c_2 = 0,$$

where its solution results in

$$a_0 = -\frac{b_0 (3 \ln(a) c_1 + c_2)}{3 c_1}, \quad a_1 = \frac{b_1 (3 \ln(a) c_1 - c_2)}{3 c_1},$$

$$w = \frac{3 (\ln(a))^2 c_1^2 - c_2^2}{3 c_1}.$$

Thus, the following soliton to the STOB is acquired

$$u_1(x, t) = \frac{a_0 + a_1 a^{x - \frac{3 (\ln(a))^2 c_1^2 - c_2^2}{3 c_1} t}}{b_0 + b_1 a^{x - \frac{3 (\ln(a))^2 c_1^2 - c_2^2}{3 c_1} t}},$$

where

$$a_0 = -\frac{b_0 (3 \ln(a) c_1 + c_2)}{3 c_1}, \quad a_1 = \frac{b_1 (3 \ln(a) c_1 - c_2)}{3 c_1}.$$

Taking  $N = 2$  in equation (8) yields

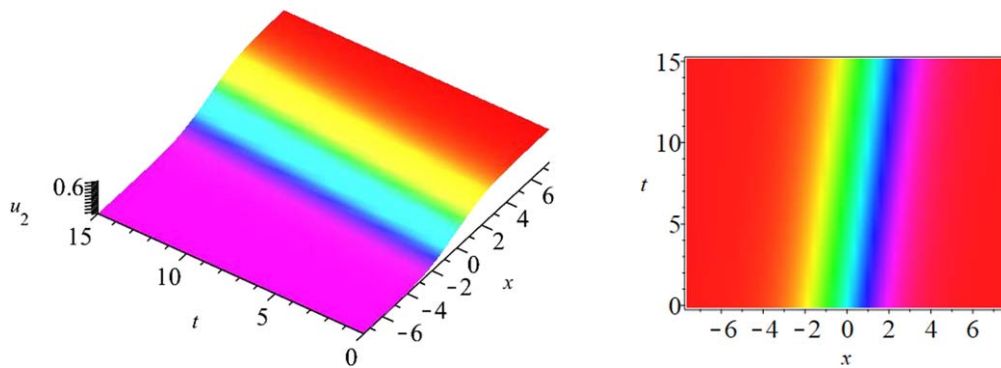
$$U(\epsilon) = \frac{a_0 + a_1 a^\epsilon + a_2 a^{2\epsilon}}{b_0 + b_1 a^\epsilon + b_2 a^{2\epsilon}}, \quad a_2 \neq 0, \quad b_2 \neq 0. \quad (20)$$

Equations (17) and (20) together result in a nonlinear system whose solution gives

Case 1:

$$a_0 = -\frac{b_0 (3 \ln(a) c_1 + c_2)}{3 c_1}, \quad a_2 = \frac{b_2 (3 \ln(a) c_1 - c_2)}{3 c_1},$$

$$b_1 = -\frac{3 a_1 c_1}{c_2}, \quad w = \frac{3 (\ln(a))^2 c_1^2 - c_2^2}{3 c_1}.$$



**Figure 2.** The kink soliton  $u_2(x, t)$  for  $a_1 = -1$ ,  $b_0 = 1$ ,  $b_2 = 1$ ,  $c_1 = 0.15$ ,  $c_2 = 0.15$ , and  $a = 2.7$ .

Thus, the following soliton to the STOB is derived

$$u_2(x, t) = \frac{a_0 + a_1 a^{x - \frac{3(\ln(a))^2 c_1^2 - c_2^2}{3c_1} t} + a_2 a^{2\left(x - \frac{3(\ln(a))^2 c_1^2 - c_2^2}{3c_1} t\right)}}{b_0 + b_1 a^{x - \frac{3(\ln(a))^2 c_1^2 - c_2^2}{3c_1} t} + b_2 a^{2\left(x - \frac{3(\ln(a))^2 c_1^2 - c_2^2}{3c_1} t\right)}},$$

where

$$a_0 = -\frac{b_0(3 \ln(a)c_1 + c_2)}{3c_1}, \quad a_2 = \frac{b_2(3 \ln(a)c_1 - c_2)}{3c_1},$$

$$b_1 = -\frac{3a_1 c_1}{c_2}.$$

Case 2:

$$a_0 = -\frac{b_0(3 \ln(a)c_1 + c_2)}{3c_1}, \quad a_1 = -\frac{b_1 c_2}{3c_1},$$

$$a_2 = -\frac{b_1^2(3 \ln(a)c_1 - c_2)}{6b_0 c_1},$$

$$b_2 = -\frac{b_1^2}{2b_0}, \quad w = \frac{3(\ln(a))^2 c_1^2 - c_2^2}{3c_1}.$$

Consequently, the following exact solution to the STOB is obtained

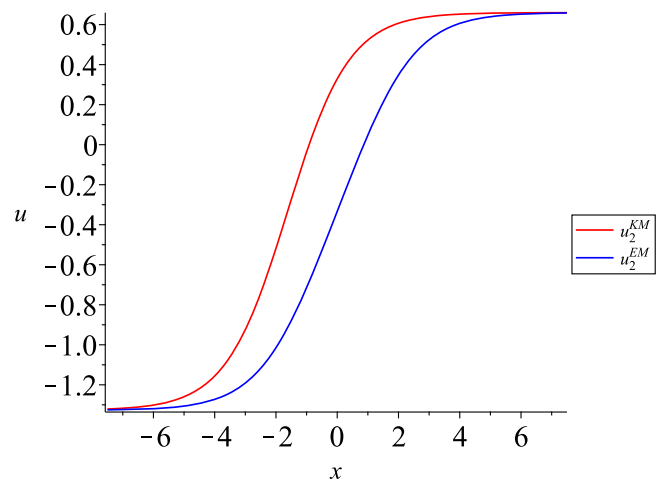
$$u_3(x, t) = \frac{a_0 + a_1 a^{x - \frac{3(\ln(a))^2 c_1^2 - c_2^2}{3c_1} t} + a_2 a^{2\left(x - \frac{3(\ln(a))^2 c_1^2 - c_2^2}{3c_1} t\right)}}{b_0 + b_1 a^{x - \frac{3(\ln(a))^2 c_1^2 - c_2^2}{3c_1} t} + b_2 a^{2\left(x - \frac{3(\ln(a))^2 c_1^2 - c_2^2}{3c_1} t\right)}},$$

where

$$a_0 = -\frac{b_0(3 \ln(a)c_1 + c_2)}{3c_1}, \quad a_1 = -\frac{b_1 c_2}{3c_1},$$

$$a_2 = -\frac{b_1^2(3 \ln(a)c_1 - c_2)}{6b_0 c_1}, \quad b_2 = -\frac{b_1^2}{2b_0}.$$

Figure 2 gives the dynamical features of the kink soliton  $u_2(x, t)$  for  $a_1 = -1$ ,  $b_0 = 1$ ,  $b_2 = 1$ ,  $c_1 = 0.15$ ,  $c_2 = 0.15$ , and  $a = 2.7$ . Furthermore, the physical behaviors of  $u_2^{KM}$  and  $u_2^{EM}$  for above parameters have been given in figure 3 when  $t = 0$ .



**Figure 3.**  $u_2^{KM}$  and  $u_2^{EM}$  for above parameters when  $t = 0$ .

**Remark 1.** According to the authors' knowledge, the outcomes of the current investigation are new and have been listed for the first time.

**Remark 2.** The authors successfully used a symbolic computation system to check the correctness of the outcomes of the current paper.

## 5. Conclusion

The principal aim of the current paper was to explore a newly well-established model known as the Sharma–Tasso–Olver–Burgers equation and derive its conservation laws and kink solitons. The study proceeded systematically by constructing the formal Lagrangian, Lie symmetries, and adjoint equations of STOB to acquire its conservation laws. Besides, kink solitons of the STOB were formally established using Kudryashov and exponential methods. Various plots in 2 and 3D postures were graphically represented to observe the dynamical characteristics of kink solitons. Based on information from the authors, the outcomes of the current



investigation are new and have been listed for the first time. The authors' suggestion for future works is employing newly well-organized methods [38–44] to acquire other wave structures of STOBSE.

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The authors declare no conflict of interest.

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