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# Computational methods for large-scale linear matrix equations and application to FDEs

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## A motivational example with spatial fractional derivatives

Let  $\Omega = (a_x, b_x) \times (a_y, b_y) \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ . Consider

( $u = u(x, y, t)$ ,  $f = f(x, y, t)$ , with  $(x, y, t) \in \Omega \times (0, T]$ )

$$\frac{du}{dt} - {}_x D_R^{\beta_1} u - {}_y D_R^{\beta_2} u = f,$$

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where  $\beta_1, \beta_2 \in (1, 2)$  and

$${}_x D_R^{\beta_1} u = \frac{1}{\Gamma(-\beta_1)} \lim_{n_x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h_x^{\beta_1}} \sum_{k=0}^{n_x} \frac{\Gamma(k - \beta_1)}{\Gamma(k + 1)} u(x - (k - 1)h_x, y, t)$$

$${}_y D_R^{\beta_2} u = \frac{1}{\Gamma(-\beta_2)} \lim_{n_y \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h_y^{\beta_2}} \sum_{k=0}^{n_y} \frac{\Gamma(k - \beta_2)}{\Gamma(k + 1)} u(x, y - (k - 1)h_y, t)$$


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After finite-difference spatial discretization, implicit Euler yields

$$\mathbf{A}_{\beta_1, \tau} \mathbf{U}^{n+1} + \mathbf{U}^{n+1} \mathbf{B}_{\beta_2, \tau} = \mathbf{U}^n + \tau \mathbf{F}^{n+1}$$

to be solved for the **matrix**  $\mathbf{U}^{n+1}$ , at each time step  $t_{n+1}$

Before we start. Kronecker products

- $(\mathbf{I} \otimes \mathbf{A})\mathbf{u} \leftrightarrow \mathbf{AU}$ , where  $\mathbf{u} = \text{vec}(\mathbf{U})$
- $(\mathbf{B}^T \otimes \mathbf{I})\mathbf{u} \leftrightarrow \mathbf{UB}$
- $(\mathbf{I} \otimes \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}^T \otimes \mathbf{I})\mathbf{u} \leftrightarrow \mathbf{AU} + \mathbf{UB}$

## Fractional calculus and Grünwald formulas

- Caputo fractional derivative (usually employed in time):

$${}_a^C D_t^\alpha f(t) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(n - \alpha)} \int_a^t \frac{f^{(n)}(s) ds}{(t - s)^{\alpha - n + 1}}, \quad n - 1 < \alpha \leq n$$

$\Gamma(x)$ : Gamma function

- Left-sided Riemann-Liouville fractional derivative:

$${}_a^{RL} D_t^\alpha f(t) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(n - \alpha)} \left( \frac{d}{dt} \right)^n \int_a^t \frac{f(s) ds}{(t - s)^{\alpha - n + 1}}, \quad a < t < b \quad n - 1 < \alpha \leq n$$

- Right-sided Riemann-Liouville fractional derivative:

$${}_t^{RL} D_b^\alpha f(t) = \frac{(-1)^n}{\Gamma(n - \alpha)} \left( \frac{d}{dt} \right)^n \int_t^b \frac{f(s) ds}{(s - t)^{\alpha - n + 1}}, \quad a < t < b$$

- Symmetric Riesz derivative of order  $\alpha$ :

$$\frac{d^\alpha f(t)}{d|t|^\alpha} = {}_t D_R^\alpha f(t) = \frac{1}{2} \left( {}_a^{RL} D_t^\alpha f(t) + {}_t^{RL} D_b^\alpha f(t) \right).$$

(Podlubny 1998, Podlubny et al 2009, Samko et al 1993)

## Towards the numerical approximation of fractional derivatives

For the left-sided derivative it holds:

$${}^a_{RL}D_x^\alpha f(x, t) = \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h^\alpha} \sum_{k=0}^M g_{\alpha, k} f(x - kh, t), \quad h = \frac{x - a}{M}$$

with

$$g_{\alpha, k} = \frac{\Gamma(k - \alpha)}{\Gamma(-\alpha)\Gamma(k + 1)} = (-1)^k \binom{\alpha}{k}.$$

Analogously for the right-sided derivative.

For stability reasons. Shifted version:

$${}^a_{RL}D_x^\alpha f(x, t) = \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h^\alpha} \sum_{k=0}^M g_{\alpha, k} f(x - (k - 1)h, t)$$

(Meerschaert & Tadjeran 2004)

## A simple 1D model problem

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{du(x, t)}{dt} - {}_x D_R^\beta u(x, t) &= f(x, t), & (x, t) \in (0, 1) \times (0, T], & \quad \beta \in (1, 2) \\ u(0, t) = u(1, t) &= 0, & t \in [0, T] \\ u(x, 0) &= 0, & x \in [0, 1]\end{aligned}$$

★ Time discretization. implicit Euler scheme of step size  $\tau$ :

$$\frac{u^{n+1} - u^n}{\tau} - {}_x D_R^\beta u^{n+1} = f^{n+1},$$

where  $u^{n+1} := u(x, t_{n+1})$ ,  $f^{n+1} := f(x, t_{n+1})$

at time  $t_{n+1} = (n + 1)\tau$

★ Space discretization. **First** consider one-sided operator:

$${}^a RL D_x^\beta u_i^{n+1} \approx \frac{1}{h_x^\beta} \sum_{k=0}^{i+1} g_{\beta,k} u_{i-k+1}^{n+1}$$

( $n_x$  number of interior points in space), giving for all  $i$ ,

$$\mathbf{T}_\beta^{n_x} \mathbf{u}^{n+1} := \frac{1}{h_x^\beta} \begin{bmatrix} g_{\beta,1} & g_{\beta,0} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ g_{\beta,2} & g_{\beta,1} & g_{\beta,0} & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & g_{\beta,0} & 0 \\ g_{\beta,n_x-1} & \ddots & \ddots & g_{\beta,1} & g_{\beta,0} \\ g_{\beta,n_x} & g_{\beta,n_x-1} & \dots & g_{\beta,2} & g_{\beta,1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1^{n+1} \\ u_2^{n+1} \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ u_{n_x}^{n+1} \end{bmatrix}$$

## A simple 1D model problem. Cont'd

For the Riesz derivative (left-right average)  ${}_x D_R^\beta u(x, t)$ :

$${}_x D_R^\beta u(x, t) \approx \mathbf{L}_\beta^{n_x} \mathbf{u}^{n+1} := \frac{1}{2} \left( \mathbf{T}_\beta^{n_x} + (\mathbf{T}_\beta^{n_x})^T \right) \mathbf{u}^{n+1}$$

(Meerschaert & Tadjeran 2006)

Therefore, the discretized version of the original equation reads:

$$\left( \mathbf{I}^{n_x} - \tau \mathbf{L}_\beta^{n_x} \right) \mathbf{u}^{n+1} = \mathbf{u}^n + \tau \mathbf{f}^{n+1}$$

with  $\left( \mathbf{I}^{n_x} - \tau \mathbf{L}_\beta^{n_x} \right)$  Toeplitz structure.

**Numerical solution:** direct FFT-based or preconditioned iterative solvers



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A similar discretization procedure yields:

$$\frac{1}{\tau} (\mathbf{u}^{n+1} - \mathbf{u}^n) = \underbrace{\left( \mathbf{I}^{n_y} \otimes \mathbf{L}_{\beta_1}^{n_x} + \mathbf{L}_{\beta_2}^{n_y} \otimes \mathbf{I}^{n_x} \right)}_{\mathbf{L}_{\beta_1, \beta_2}^{n_x n_y}} \mathbf{u}^{n+1} + \mathbf{f}^{n+1}.$$

where  $h_x = \frac{b_x - a_x}{n_x + 1}$ ,  $h_y = \frac{b_y - a_y}{n_y + 1}$  with  $n_x + 2$  and  $n_y + 2$  inner nodes.

At each time step, we need to solve

$$\left( \mathbf{I}^{n_x n_y} - \tau \mathbf{L}_{\beta_1, \beta_2}^{n_x n_y} \right) \mathbf{u}^{n+1} = \mathbf{u}^n + \tau \mathbf{f}^{n+1}.$$

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By “unfolding” the Kronecker products:

Sylvester matrix equation:

$$\left( \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{I}^{n_x} - \tau \mathbf{L}_{\beta_1}^{n_x} \right) \mathbf{U}^{n+1} + \mathbf{U}^{n+1} \left( \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{I}^{n_y} - \tau \mathbf{L}_{\beta_2}^{n_y} \right)^T = \mathbf{U}^n + \tau \mathbf{F}^{n+1}$$

Coefficient matrices are different and have Toeplitz structure

## Time fractional derivative

For  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$  and  $\beta \in (1, 2)$  consider the problem

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Discretizing the Caputo derivative in time, we obtain

$$\left( (\mathbf{T}_\alpha^{n_t} \otimes \mathbf{I}^{n_x}) - (\mathbf{I}^{n_t} \otimes \mathbf{L}_\beta^{n_x}) \right) \mathbf{u} = \tilde{\mathbf{f}} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \mathbf{U}(\mathbf{T}_\alpha^{n_t})^T - \mathbf{L}_\beta^{n_x} \mathbf{U} = \mathbf{F}$$

$$\text{with } \mathbf{T}_\alpha^{n_t+1} := \tau^{-\alpha} \begin{bmatrix} g_{\alpha,0} & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ g_{\alpha,1} & g_{\alpha,0} & \ddots & & \vdots \\ \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & g_{\alpha,0} & 0 \\ g_{\alpha,n_t} & \dots & \dots & g_{\alpha,1} & g_{\alpha,0} \end{bmatrix}$$

**Note:**  $\dim(\mathbf{T}_\alpha^{n_t})$  may be much smaller than  $\dim(\mathbf{L}_\beta^{n_x})$

## Numerical solution of the Sylvester equation

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Various settings:

- Small  $\mathbf{A}$  and small  $\mathbf{B}$ : Bartels-Stewart algorithm
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Seek  $\mathbf{U}_k \approx \mathbf{U}$  of low rank:

$$\mathbf{U}_k = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{U}_k^{(1)} \end{bmatrix} [ (\mathbf{U}_k^{(2)})^* ]$$

with  $\mathbf{U}_k^{(1)}$ ,  $\mathbf{U}_k^{(2)}$  tall

Index  $k$  “related” to the approximation rank

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- Substituting the residual  $\mathbf{R}_k$  and  $\mathbf{U}_k$ :

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$$V^*\mathbf{A}V\mathbf{Y}W^*W + V^*V\mathbf{Y}W^*\mathbf{B}W - V^*\mathbf{G}W = 0$$

that is

$$(V^*\mathbf{A}V)\mathbf{Y} + \mathbf{Y}(W^*\mathbf{B}W) - V^*\mathbf{G}W = 0$$

Reduced (small) Sylvester equation

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**Desired features:**

- “Rich” in problem information while of small size
- Nested, that is,  $\mathcal{V}_k \subseteq \mathcal{V}_{k+1}$ ,  $\mathcal{W}_k \subseteq \mathcal{W}_{k+1}$
- Memory/computational-cost effective

## Krylov subspaces for Galerkin projection

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{U} + \mathbf{U}\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{G}, \quad \mathbf{G} = \mathbf{G}_1\mathbf{G}_2^*$$

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And analogously,

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- Rational Krylov subspace

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## Krylov subspaces for Galerkin projection. Cont'd

In all these instances, spaces are nested

$$\mathcal{V}_k \subset \mathcal{V}_{k+1}, \quad \mathcal{W}_k \subset \mathcal{W}_{k+1}$$

At step  $k$ :

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$\Rightarrow$  Size of reduced problem increases

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yields a linear system with a double tensor structure:

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⇒ **Numerical solution:** tensor-train (TT) representation, and Alternating Minimal Energy Method (AMEN)

(Oseledets 2011, Tyrtysnikov, Oseledets et al, Oseledets & Dolgov 2012)

## More general FDE settings. II

- Variable coefficient case:

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⇒ Various numerical strategies:

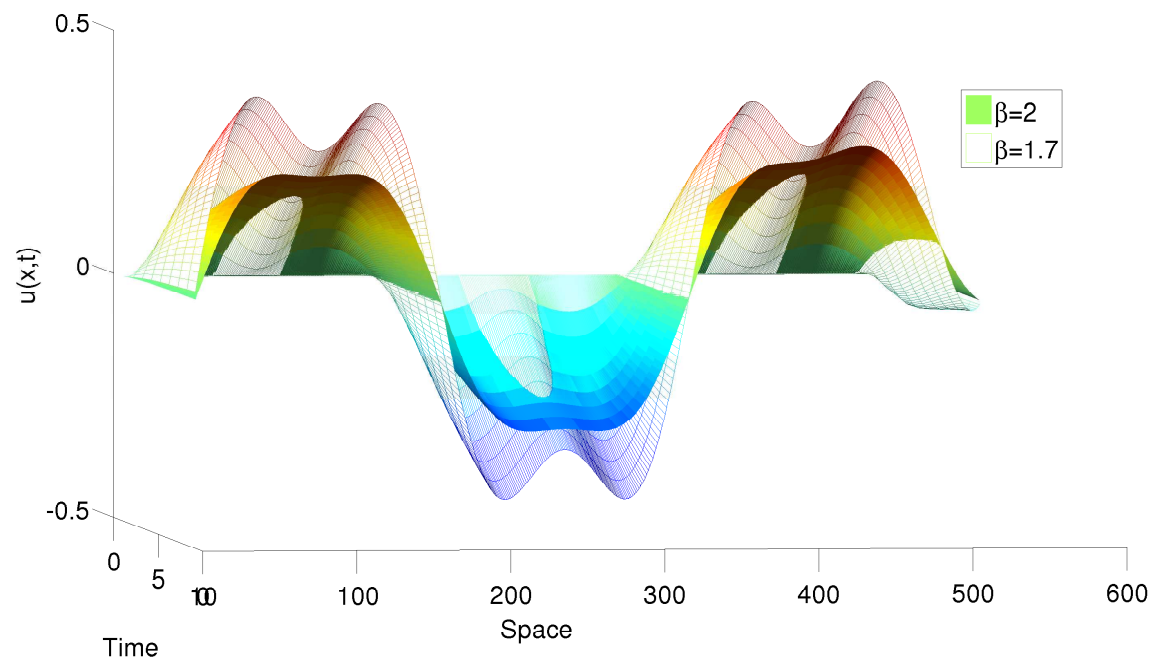
- TT format
- GMRES solver with Sylvester-equation-based preconditioner
- Sylvester solver for special cases (our example)

(see also talk by Mariarosa Mazza)

## Numerical experiments

### Goals:

- Test robustness wrt time and space discretization parameters
- Suitability for different orders of differentiation



1D (space) pb, constant coeff. Two different values for  $\beta$  with zero initial condition and zero Dirichlet boundary condition. (510 and 10 space and time points, resp.)

## 1D problem. Constant/variable coeffs.

$$f = 80 \sin(20x) \cos(10x)$$

Variable coefficient case:  $p_+ = \Gamma(1.2)x_1^{\beta_1}$  and  $p_- = \Gamma(1.2)(2 - x_1)^{\beta_1}$ .

Solvers:

- ★ CG preconditioned by Strang circulant precondition (constant coeff)
- ★ GMRES preconditioned by approx constant coeff oper. (variable coeff)
- ★ Convergence tolerance  $10^{-6}$ , Time-step  $\tau = h_x/2$ .

| $n_x$   | Constant Coeff. |               | Variable Coeff. |               |
|---------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|
|         | $\beta = 1.3$   | $\beta = 1.7$ | $\beta = 1.3$   | $\beta = 1.7$ |
| 32768   | 6.0 (0.43)      | 7.0 (0.47)    | 6.8 (0.90)      | 6.0 (0.81)    |
| 65536   | 6.0 (0.96)      | 7.0 (0.97)    | 6.4 (1.93)      | 6.0 (1.75)    |
| 131072  | 6.0 (1.85)      | 7.0 (2.23)    | 5.9 (3.93)      | 5.9 (3.89)    |
| 262144  | 6.0 (7.10)      | 7.1 (8.04)    | 5.4 (12.78)     | 6.0 (13.52)   |
| 524288  | 6.0 (15.42)     | 7.8 (19.16)   | 5.1 (25.71)     | 6.0 (27.40)   |
| 1048576 | 6.0 (34.81)     | 8.0 (41.76)   | 4.9 (51.02)     | 6.3 (62.57)   |



## 2D (space) problem. Constant/variable coeffs.

$$F = 100 \sin(10x) \cos(y) + \sin(10t)xy$$

Variable coefficient case:

$$p_+ = \Gamma(1.2)x^{\beta_1}, p_- = \Gamma(1.2)(2-x)^{\beta_1}, q_+ = \Gamma(1.2)y^{\beta_2}, q_- = \Gamma(1.2)(2-y)^{\beta_2}$$

Solvers:

- ★ Extended Krylov projection method (constant coeff)
- ★ GMRES preconditioned by Sylvester solver (variable coeff)
- ★ Convergence tolerance  $10^{-6}$  Time-step  $\tau = h_x/2$ . solution after 8 time steps

| $n_x$ | $n_y$ | Variable Coeff.                                   |   | Constant Coeff.                                   |   |
|-------|-------|---|---|---|---|
|       |       | $\beta_1 = 1.3$<br>$\beta_2 = 1.7$<br>it(CPUtime) | $\beta_1 = 1.7$<br>$\beta_2 = 1.9$<br>it(CPUtime) | $\beta_1 = 1.3$<br>$\beta_2 = 1.7$<br>it(CPUtime) | $\beta_1 = 1.7$<br>$\beta_2 = 1.9$<br>it(CPUtime) |
| 1024  | 1024  | 2.3 (19.35)                                       | 2.5 (15.01)                                       | 2.9 (9.89)  | 2.5 (18.51)                                       |
| 1024  | 2048  | 2.8 (47.17)                                       | 2.9 (22.25)                                       | 3.0 (23.07)                                       | 3.2 (22.44)                                       |
| 2048  | 2048  | 3.0 (76.72)                                       | 2.6 (36.01)                                       | 2.0 (51.23)                                       | 2.3 (34.43)                                       |
| 4096  | 4096  | 3.0 (171.30)                                      | 2.6 (199.82)                                      | 2.0 (164.20)                                      | 2.2 (172.24)                                      |

## Conclusions

- FDEs provide challenging linear algebra settings
- The two fields are evolving in parallel
- Effective numerical solution for representative large problems

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