# NUMERICAL SOLUTION OF FRACTIONAL PARTIAL DIFFERENTIAL <br> EQUATIONS BY SPECTRAL METHODS 



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#### Abstract

Fractional partial differential equations (FPDEs) have become essential tool for the modeling of physical models by using spectral methods. In the last few decades, spectral methods have been developed for the solution of time and space dimensional FPDEs. There are different types of spectral methods such as collocation methods, Tau methods and Galerkin methods. This research work focuses on the collocation and Tau methods to propose an efficient operational matrix methods via Genocchi polynomials and Legendre polynomials for the solution of two and three dimensional FPDEs. Moreover, in this study, Genocchi wavelet-like basis method and Genocchi polynomials based Ritz- Galerkin method have been derived to deal with FPDEs and variable- order FPDEs. The reason behind using the Genocchi polynomials is that, it helps to generate functional expansions with less degree and small coefficients values to derive the operational matrix of derivative with less computational complexity as compared to Chebyshev and Legendre Polynomials. The results have been compared with the existing methods such as Chebyshev wavelets method, Legendre wavelets method, Adomian decomposition method, Variational iteration method, Finite difference method and Finite element method. The numerical results have revealed that the proposed methods have provided the better results as compared to existing methods due to minimum computational complexity of derived operational matrices via Genocchi polynomials. Additionally, the significance of the proposed methods has been verified by finding the error bound, which shows that the proposed methods have provided better approximation values for under consideration FPDEs.


#### Abstract

ABSTRAK

Persamaan Pembezaan Separa Pecahan (PPSP) telah menjadi alat penting untuk pemodelan model fizikal dengan menggunakan kaedah spektral. Dalam beberapa dekad yang lalu, kaedah spektral telah dibangunkan untuk penyelesaian PPSP bagi terbitan dimensi masa dan ruang. Terdapat pelbagai jenis kaedah spektral seperti kaedah kolokasi, kaedah Tau dan kaedah Galerkin. Kajian ini memberi tumpuan kepada kaedah kolokasi dan kaedah Tau untuk mencadangkan kaedah matriks operasi yang berkesan melalui polinomial Genocchi dan polynomial Legendre untuk penyelesaian dua dan tiga dimensi PPSP. Tambahan pula, dalam kajian ini, kaedah asas seperti wavelet Genocchi dan kaedah Ritz-Galerkin berasaskan polynomial Gennochi telah diperolehi untuk menangani PPSP dan PPSP peringkat pembolehubah. Alasan di sebalik menggunakan polinomial Genocchi adalah bahawa ia membantu untuk menghasilkan kembangan fungsi dengan nilai pekali yang kecil dan cara memperoleh matriks operasi pembezaan yang kurang rumit pengiraannya berbanding dengan Polynomial Chebyshev dan Legendre. Hasilnya telah dibandingkan dengan kaedah yang sedia ada seperti kaedah wavelet Chebyshev, kaedah wavelet Legendre, kaedah penguraian Adomian, kaedah lelaran variasi, kaedah perbezaan terhingga dan kaedah unsur terhingga. Keputusan berangka telah mendedahkan bahawa kaedah yang dicadangkan telah memberikan hasil yang lebih baik berbanding dengan kaedah yang sedia ada disebabkan oleh pengiraan matriks operasi adalah kurang rumit dengan polinomial Genocchi. Selain itu, kepentingan kaedah yang dicadangkan telah dibukti dengan ralat sempadan, yang menunjukkan bahawa kaedah yang dicadangkan telah memberikan nilai anggaran yang lebih baik untuk PPSP.


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|  |  | two variables |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\bar{K}$ | - | Coefficient or expansion coefficient vector for three variables |
| $\varpi(x, t)$ | - | Satisfier function |
| $\sigma_{i, j}$ | - | Expansion coefficient of fractional derivative |
| $D^{\alpha}$ | - | Fractional order derivative |
| $D_{t}^{\alpha}$ | - | Caputo's fractional derivative |
| $D_{b-}^{\alpha}$ | - | Right-sided Riemann-Liouville fractional derivative |
| $D_{a+}^{\alpha}$ | - | Left-sided Riemann-Liouville fractional derivative |
| ${ }_{R L} D_{t, t_{R}}^{\gamma(t)}$ | - | Right Riemann-Liouville fractional derivative of variable order |
| ${ }_{R L} D_{t_{L}, t}^{\gamma(t)}$ | - | Left Riemann-Liouville fractional derivative of variable order |
| ${ }_{R L} D_{t, t_{R}}^{-\gamma(t)}$ | - | Right Riemann-Liouville fractional integral of variable order |
| ${ }_{{ }_{R L}} D_{t_{L}, t}^{-\gamma(t)}$ |  | Left Riemann-Liouville fractional integral of variable order |
| ${ }_{c} D_{t, t_{R}}^{\gamma(t)}$ |  | Right Riemann-Liouville fractional derivative of variable order |
| ${ }_{c} D_{t_{L}, t}^{\gamma(t)}$ | - | Left Riemann-Liouville fractional derivative of variable order |
| $I_{\mathrm{a}+}^{\alpha}$ | - | Left Riemann-Liouville fractional integral |
| $I_{\mathrm{b}-}^{\alpha}$ | - | Right Riemann-Liouville fractional integral |
| $G_{r}(x)$ | - | Genocchi polynomials of degree $r$ |
| $B_{m}(x)$ | - | Bernoulli polynomials of degree $m$ |
| $E_{l}(x)$ | - | Euler polynomials of degree $l$ |
| $\Gamma($. | - | Euler Gamma function |
| $\Omega$ | - | Bounded domain |
| M | - | Scale level of approximation |
| $\psi(x)$ | - | An oscillatory function |


| DE | - | Differential equation |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| FC | - | Fractional calculus |
| FDEs | - | Fractional differential equations |
| PDE | - | Partial differential equation |
| FPDEs | - | Fractional partial differential equations |
| TFPDES | - | Time fractional partial differential equation |
| SFPDE | - | Space fractional partial differential equation |
| STFPDE | - | Space-time fractional partial differential equation |
| VOFPDEs | - | Variable-order fractional partial differential equations |
| ADM | - | Adomian decomposition method |
| LADM | - | Laplace Adomian decomposition method |
| VIM | - | Variational iteration method |
| LVIM | - | Laplace Variational iteration method |
| RVIM | - | Reconstruction of Variational iteration method |
| HPM | - | Homotopy perturbation method |
| HPTM | - | Homotopy perturbation transform method |
| HAM | - | Homotopy analysis method |
| CGL | - | Chebyshev Gauss Lobatto |
| SL-GL-C |  | Shifted Legendre Gauss-Lobatto collocation method |
| FIDEs |  | Fractional integro-differential equations |
| SLOM | - | Shifted Legendre operational matrix |
| NSFDM | - | Non-standard finite difference method |
| SFDM | - | Standard finite difference method |
| MWR | - | Method of weighted residuals |
| SLC | - | Shifted Legendre Collocation method |
| FBE | - | Fractional Burgers' Equation |
| KDV | - | Korteweg de Vries equation |
| GFBWFs | - | Fractional-order Bernoulli wavelet functions |
| Q-SLT | - | Quadrature Shifted Legendre Tau method |
| KV | - | Kelvin-Voigt equation |
| GFLPs | - | Generalized fractional Legendre polynomials |

## NLP <br> Nonlinear programming problem

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## CHAPTER 1

## INTRODUCTION

This chapter is comprised of some preliminaries given in section 1.1 that have been used in this research work. The reason to conduct this research is illustrated in section 1.3. To achieve the research aim, four objectives have been set in section 1.4. The scope of research and the main contribution are discussed in section 1.5 and section 1.6 respectively. Section 1.7 consists of thesis organization.

### 1.1 Preliminaries

In this section, some basic definitions of FPDEs, mathematical solution, solution methods and method of weighted residuals (MWR) are explained.

### 1.1.1 Fractional partial differential equations

FPDEs are the generalization of classical partial differential equations (PDEs) with the fractional order derivatives $D^{\alpha}$. The general form of FPDEs (Al-Khaled, 2015) can be written as

$$
\begin{equation*}
D_{t}^{\alpha} u(x, t)=L u(x, t)+N u(x, t)+g(x, t), m-1<\alpha \leqslant m, \tag{1.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $u(x, t)$ is the unknown function, $L$ is the linear operator, $N$ is the general nonlinear operator and $g(x, t)$ is the source term. Similarly if the fractional order derivative is replaced with the variable order derivative then the equation would be

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