

A Semi-Analytic Diagonalization Tensor FEM for the Spectral Fractional Laplacian.

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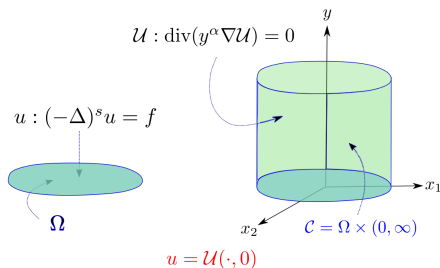
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Apply diagonalization technique: find $(v, \mu) \in \mathcal{S}_\mathcal{Y} \setminus \{0\} \times \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$\int_0^\mathcal{Y} y^\alpha v'(y) w'(y) dy = \mu \int_0^\mathcal{Y} y^\alpha v(y) w(y) dy, \quad \forall w \in \mathcal{S}_\mathcal{Y}$$

Eigenfunctions normalized so that

$$\int_0^\mathcal{Y} y^\alpha v_i'(y) v_j'(y) dy = \mu_j \delta_{ij}, \quad \int_0^\mathcal{Y} y^\alpha v_i(y) v_j(y) dy = \delta_{ij}$$

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Full Discretization

Take your favorite $\mathbb{V}_h$ and let $\mathcal{S}_Y$ be

- (Quasi-)Uniform mesh with $\mathbb{P}_1$

$$\|\nabla(\mathcal{U} - \mathcal{U}_{h,Y})\|_{L^2(Y^\alpha, \mathcal{C}_Y)} \lesssim (\hat{N} \cdot \hat{K})^{-\frac{s-\epsilon}{d+1}} \|f\|_{\mathbb{H}^{1-s}(\Omega)}$$

- Graded mesh with $\mathbb{P}_1$

$$\|\nabla(\mathcal{U} - \mathcal{U}_{h,Y})\|_{L^2(Y^\alpha, \mathcal{C}_Y)} \lesssim |\log(\hat{N} \cdot \hat{K})|^s (\hat{N} \cdot \hat{K})^{-\frac{1}{d+1}} \|f\|_{\mathbb{H}^{1-s}(\Omega)}$$

- Geometric mesh with hp-FEM

$$\|\nabla(\mathcal{U} - \mathcal{U}_{h,Y}^K)\|_{L^2(Y^\alpha, \mathcal{C}_Y)} \lesssim |\log(\hat{N})|^q (\hat{N})^{-\frac{1}{d}} \|f\|_{\mathbb{H}^{1-s}(\Omega)}$$

for some $q > 0$.

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Exact Eigenpairs in Extended Dimension

For $s \in (0, 1)$

$$\begin{cases} -(y^\alpha \psi'(y))' = \lambda y^\alpha \psi(y) & \text{in } (0, \mathcal{Y}) \\ -y^\alpha \psi'(y) \rightarrow 0 & \text{as } y \downarrow 0 \\ \psi(\mathcal{Y}) = 0 \end{cases}$$

Expanding:

$$\begin{aligned} y^\alpha \psi''(y) + \alpha y^{\alpha-1} \psi'(y) + \lambda y^\alpha \psi(y) &= 0 \\ \psi''(y) + \frac{\alpha}{y} \psi'(y) + \lambda \psi(y) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Two cases: $s = 1/2$ and $s \neq 1/2$

- $s = 1/2$,

$$\mu_k = \left(\frac{(k - 1/2)\pi}{\mathcal{Y}} \right)^2, \quad v_k(y) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\mathcal{Y}}} \cos \left(\frac{(k - 1/2)\pi}{\mathcal{Y}} y \right), \quad k \in \mathbb{N}$$

- $s \neq 1/2$,

$$\mu_k = (\eta_k/\mathcal{Y})^2, \quad \text{where } \eta_k \text{ is the } k^{\text{th}} \text{ root of } J_{-s}$$

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$$\text{Then, } u_{h, \mathcal{Y}}^K = \sum_{k=1}^K v_k(0) U_k$$

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with weight t^α . The nodes and weights are:

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where $F(x) = \frac{1}{x^2 + \lambda}$.

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This suggests that we take

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Square Domain

Let $\Omega = (0, 1)^2$.

$$\phi_{i,j}(x_1, x_2) = \sin(i\pi x_1) \sin(j\pi x_2), \quad \lambda_{i,j} = \pi^2(i^2 + j^2), \quad i, j \in \mathbb{N}$$

For any $s \in (0, 1)$,

$$f(x_1, x_2) = (2\pi^2)^s \sin(\pi x_1) \sin(\pi x_2) \implies u(x_1, x_2) = \sin(\pi x_1) \sin(\pi x_2)$$

$\#\mathcal{T}_\Omega$	$\mathcal{Y}$	K	$L^2(\Omega)$ error	rate
16	0.69315	2	2.67052e-01	—
64	1.03972	8	1.91820e-01	0.64
256	1.38629	22	1.34186e-01	0.52
1024	1.73287	55	9.49761e-02	0.50
4096	2.07944	133	6.69246e-02	0.51
16384	2.42602	310	4.73530e-02	0.50
65536	2.77259	709	3.34751e-02	0.50

Table: $s = 0.25$

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2.07944	8	5.13106e-02	—
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4.15888	66	5.19302e-03	1.67
5.19860	166	1.70008e-03	1.61
6.23832	399	5.68776e-04	1.58
7.27805	931	1.93277e-04	1.56
8.31777	2129	6.63366e-05	1.54

Table: $s = 0.75$

Conclusions

- Recapped the spectral fractional Laplacian and the extension technique of Caffarelli-Silvestre.
- Finite element discretization and diagonalization of extended dimension.
- New semi-analytic spectral diagonalization method.
- Relation to a quadrature scheme.

Thank you for your attention!