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Crank-Nicolson orthogonal spline collocation method combined with WSGI difference scheme for the two-dimensional time-fractional diffusion-wave equation

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Abstract: In this paper, a discrete orthogonal spline collocation method combining with a second-order Crank-Nicolson weighted and shifted Grünwald integral (WSGI) operator is proposed for solving time-fractional wave equations based on its equivalent partial integro-differential equations. The stability and convergence of the schemes have been strictly proved. Several numerical examples in one variable and in two space variables are given to demonstrate the theoretical analysis.

Keywords: diffusion-wave equation; Crank-Nicolson method; weighted and shifted Grünwald integral operator; orthogonal spline collocation method; Caputo derivative

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1 Introduction

Recently, fractional partial differential equations (FPDEs) have attracted more and more attention, which can be used to describe some physical and chemical phenomenon more accurately than the classical integer-order differential equations. For example, when studying universal electromagnetic responses involving the unification of diffusion and wave propagation phenomena, there are processes that are modeled by equations with time fractional derivatives of order \( \gamma \in (1, 2) \) [1]. Generally, the analytical solutions of fractional partial differential equations are difficult to obtain, so many authors have resorted to numerical solution techniques based on convergence and stability. Various kinds of numerical methods for solving FPDEs have been proposed by researchers, such as finite element method [2, 3], finite difference method [4–6], meshless method [7, 8], wavelets method [9], spline collocation method [10–12] and so forth.

In this study, we consider the following two-dimensional time-fractional diffusion-wave equation

\[
\frac{\Gamma(\gamma)}{\Gamma(1-\gamma)} D_\gamma^\alpha u(x, y, t) = \Delta u(x, y, t) - u(x, y, t) + f(x, y, t), \quad (x, y, t) \in \Omega \times (0, T]
\] (1.1)

subject to the initial condition

\[
u(x, y, 0) = \varphi(x, y), \quad \frac{\partial u(x, y, 0)}{\partial t} = \varphi(x, y), \quad (x, y) \in \Omega,
\] (1.2)

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and the boundary condition
\[ u(x, y, t) = 0, (x, y, t) \in \partial \Omega \times (0, T], \] (1.3)
where \( \Delta \) is Laplace operator, \( \Omega = [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \) with boundary \( \partial \Omega \), \( \phi(x, y), \varphi(x, y) \) and \( f(x, y, t) \) are given sufficiently smooth functions in their respective domains and \( \frac{\partial D_{\gamma}^{\frac{\partial}{\partial t}}}{\partial t} \) denotes the Caputo derivative of order \( \gamma \) \((1 < \gamma < 2)\), which reads as follows:
\[ \frac{\partial D_{\gamma}^{\frac{\partial}{\partial t}}}{\partial t} u(x, y, t) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(2 - \gamma)} \int_{0}^{t} \frac{\partial^2 u(x, y, s)}{\partial s^2} (t - s)^{1-\gamma} ds, \]
in which \( \Gamma(\cdot) \) is the Gamma function. Without loss of generality, we assume that \( \phi(x, y) \equiv 0 \) in (1.2), since we can solve the equation for \( v(x, y, t) = u(x, y, t) - \phi(x, y) \) in general.

Most of the numerical algorithms in [1–8] employed the \( L_1 \) scheme to approximate fractional derivatives. Recently, Tian et al. [13] proposed second-and third-order approximations for Riemann-Liouville fractional derivative via the weighted and shifted Grünwald difference (WSGD) operators. Thereafter, some related research work covering the WSGD idea were done by many scholars. In [14], Liu et al developed a high-order local discontinuous Galerkin method combined with WSGD approximation for a Caputo time-fractional sub-diffusion equation. In [15], Chen considered the numerical solutions of the multi-term time fractional diffusion and diffusion-wave equations with variable coefficients, which the time fractional derivative was approximated by WSGD operator. In [16], Yang proposed a new numerical approximation, using WSGD operator with second order in time direction and orthogonal spline collocation method in spatial direction, for the two-dimensional distributed-order time fractional reaction-diffusion equation. Following the idea of WSGD operator, Wang and Vong [17] used compact finite difference WSGI scheme for the temporal Caputo fractional diffusion-wave equation. However, the numerical methods with WSGI approximation have been rarely studied. Cao et al. [18] applied the idea of WSGI approximation combining with finite element method to solve the time fractional wave equation.

Orthogonal spline collocation (OSC) method has evolved as a valuable technique for solving different types of partial differential equations [19–23]. The popularity of OSC is due to its conceptual simplicity, wide applicability and easy implementation. Comparing with finite difference method and the Galerkin finite element method, OSC method has the following advantages: the calculation of the coefficients in the equation determining the approximate solution is fast since there is no need to calculate the integrals; and it provides approximations to the solution and spatial derivatives. Moreover, OSC scheme always leads to the almost block diagonal linear system, which can be solved by the software packages efficiently [24]. Another feature of OSC method lies in its super-convergence [25].

Motivated and inspired by the work mentioned above, the main goal of this paper is to propose a high-order OSC approximation method combined with second order WSGI operator for solving two-dimensional time-fractional wave equation, which is abbreviated as WSGI-OSC in forthcoming sections. The remainder of the paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, some notations and preliminaries are presented. In Section 3, the fully discrete scheme combining WSGI operator with second order and orthogonal spline collocation scheme is formulated. Stability and convergence analysis of WSGI-OSC scheme are presented in Section 4. Section 5 provides detailed description of the WSGI-OSC scheme. In Section 6, several numerical experiments are carried out to confirm the convergence analysis. Finally, the conclusion is drawn in Section 7.

2 Discrete-time OSC scheme

2.1 Preliminaries

In this section, we will introduce some notations and basic lemmas. For some positive integers \( N_x \) and \( N_y \), \( \delta_x \) and \( \delta_y \) are two uniform partitions of \( T = [0, 1] \) which are defined as follows:
\[ \delta_x : 0 = x_0 < x_1 < \cdots < x_{N_x} = 1, \quad \delta_y : 0 = y_0 < y_1 < \cdots < y_{N_y} = 1, \]
and \( h_i^x = x_i - x_{i-1}, h_j^y = (y_j - y_{j-1}, 1 \leq i \leq N_x, 1 \leq j \leq N_y \), \( h = \max \{ \max h_i^x, \max h_j^y \} \). Let \( M_r(\delta_x) \) and \( M_r(\delta_y) \) be the space of piecewise polynomial of degree at most \( r \geq 3 \), defined by

\[
M_r(\delta_x) = \{ v \in C^1[0, 1] : v|_{I_i^y} \in P_r, 1 \leq i \leq N_x, v(0) = v(1) = 0 \}, \\
M_r(\delta_y) = \{ v \in C^1[0, 1] : v|_{I_j^x} \in P_r, 1 \leq j \leq N_y, v(0) = v(1) = 0 \},
\]

where \( P_r \) denotes the set of polynomial of degree at most \( r \). It is easy to know that the dimension of the spaces \( M_r(\delta_x) \) and \( M_r(\delta_y) \) are \( (r+1)N_x \) and \( (r+1)N_y \), respectively.

Let \( \delta = \delta_x \otimes \delta_y \) be a quasi-uniform partition of \( \Omega \), and \( M_r(\delta) = M_r(\delta_x) \otimes M_r(\delta_y) \) with the dimension of \( M_r(\delta) \). Let \( \{ \lambda_i \}_{i=1}^{N_x} \) denotes the nodes for the \( (r+1) \)-point Gaussian quadrature rule on the interval \( I \) with corresponding weights \( \{ \omega_i \}_{i=1}^{N_x} \). Denote by

\[
\xi_{i,l} = x_{i-1} + h_i^x \lambda_l, \quad \xi_{j,m} = y_{j-1} + h_j^y \lambda_m, \quad 1 \leq l, m \leq r - 1.
\]

as the sets of Gauss points in \( x \) and \( y \) direction, respectively, where

\[
\xi_{i,l} = x_{i-1} + h_i^x \lambda_l, \quad \xi_{j,m} = y_{j-1} + h_j^y \lambda_m, \quad 1 \leq l, m \leq r - 1.
\]

Let \( \mathcal{G} = \{ \xi = (\xi^x, \xi^y) : \xi^x \in \mathcal{G}_x, \xi^y \in \mathcal{G}_y \} \). For the functions \( u \) and \( v \) defined on \( \mathcal{G} \), the inner product \( \langle u, v \rangle \) and norm \( \| v \|_{M_r} \) are respectively defined by

\[
\langle u, v \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^{N_x} \sum_{j=1}^{N_y} h_i^x h_j^y \sum_{l=1}^{r-1} \sum_{m=1}^{r-1} \omega_l \omega_m (v(\xi_{i,l}, \xi_{j,m})) = \langle v, u \rangle.
\]

For \( m \) a nonnegative integer, let \( H^m(\Omega) \) denotes the usual Sobolev space with norm

\[
\| v \|_{H^m} = \left( \sum_{l=0}^{m} \sum_{i+j=l} \left\| \frac{\partial^{i+j} v}{\partial x^i \partial y^j} \right\|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}},
\]

where the norm \( \| \cdot \| \) denotes the usual \( L_2 \) norm, sometimes it is written as \( \| \cdot \|_{H^0} \) for convenience. The following important lemmas are required in our forthcoming analysis. First, we introduce the differentiable (resp. twice differentiable) map \( W : [0, T] \rightarrow M_r(\delta) \) by

\[
\Delta (u - W) = 0 \quad \text{on} \quad \mathcal{G} \times [0, T], \quad (2.1)
\]

where \( u \) is the solution of the Eqs.(1.1)-(1.3) . Then we have the following estimates for \( u - W \) and its time derivatives.

**Lemma 2.1.** [26] If \( \partial^l u / \partial t^l \in H^{r+3-l}, \) for all \( t \in [0, T], l = 0, 1, 2, j = 0, 1, 2, and W is defined by (2.1), then there exists a constant \( C \) such that

\[
\frac{\partial^{l} (u - W)}{\partial t^l} \|_{H^{r+3-l}} \leq C h^{r+1-j} \| \frac{\partial^{l} u}{\partial t^l} \|_{H^{r+1-j}}, \quad (2.2)
\]

**Lemma 2.2.** [26] If \( \partial^l u / \partial t^l \in H^{r+3}, \) for \( t \in [0, T], i = 0, 1, \) then

\[
\frac{\partial^{l} (u - W)}{\partial x^i \partial y^j \partial t^l} \|_{M_r} \leq C h^{r+1-l} \| \frac{\partial^{l} u}{\partial t^l} \|_{H^{r+1}}, \quad (2.3)
\]

where \( 0 \leq l = l_1 + l_2 \leq 4 \).

**Lemma 2.3.** [27] If \( u, v \in M_r(\delta) \), then

\[
\langle -\Delta u, v \rangle = \langle u, -\Delta v \rangle, \quad (2.4)
\]
and there exists a positive constant $C$ such that
\[ \langle -\Delta u, u \rangle \geq C\|\nabla u\|^2 \geq 0. \tag{2.5} \]

**Lemma 2.4.** [28] The norms $\| \cdot \|_{M}$ and $\| \cdot \|$ are equivalent on $M_{r}(\delta)$.

Throughout the paper, we denote $C > 0$ a constant which is independent of mesh sizes $h$ and $\tau$. The following Young’s inequality will also be used repeatedly,
\[ XY \leq \varepsilon X^2 + \frac{1}{4\varepsilon} Y^2, \quad X, Y \in \mathbb{R}, \varepsilon > 0. \tag{2.6} \]

### 2.2 Construction of the fully discrete orthogonal spline collocation scheme

In this subsection, we consider discrete-time OSC schemes for solving the Eqs. (1.1)-(1.3). Our main idea of the proposed method is to transform the time fractional diffusion-wave equation into its equivalent partial integro-differential equation. To construct the continuous-time OSC scheme to the solution $u$ of (1.1), we introduce the Riemann-Liouville fractional integral which is defined by
\[ \mathcal{I}_{t}^{\alpha}u(x, y, t) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{0}^{t} u(x, y, s) \frac{ds}{(t-s)^{1-\alpha}}, \tag{2.7} \]
where $0 < \alpha = \gamma - 1 < 1$.

We integrate the equation (1.1) using Riemann-Liouville fractional integral operator $\mathcal{I}_{t}^{\alpha}$ defined in (2.7), then the problem is transformed into its equivalent partial integro-differential equation as follows
\[ u_{t}(x, y, t) - \mathcal{I}_{t}^{\alpha}\Delta u(x, y, t) + \mathcal{I}_{t}^{\alpha}u(x, y, t) = \mathcal{I}_{0}^{\alpha}f(x, y, t) + \varphi(x, y). \tag{2.8} \]

Let $t_{k} = k\tau$, $k = 0, 1, \ldots, N$, where $\tau = T/N$ is the time step size. For the convenience of description, we define $D_{t}u^{n+1} = \frac{u^{n+1} - u^{n}}{\tau}$, and $u^{n+\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{u^{n+1} + u^{n}}{2}$, where $u^{n} = u(x, y, t_{n})$. Based on the idea of weighted and shifted Grünwald difference operator, Wang and Vong ([17]) established the second order accuracy approximation formula of the Riemann-Liouville fractional integral operator $\mathcal{I}_{t}^{\alpha}u^{n+1}$, which is called as WSGI approximation,
\[ \mathcal{I}_{t}^{\alpha}u^{n+1} = \tau^{\alpha} \sum_{k=0}^{n} \lambda_{k}^{(a)} u^{n+1-k} + \bar{E} \equiv \mathcal{I}_{t}^{\alpha}u^{n+1} + \bar{E}, \tag{2.9} \]
where $\bar{E} = O(\tau^{3})$ and
\[ \lambda_{0}^{(a)} = (1 - \frac{a}{2})\omega_{0}^{(a)}, \quad \lambda_{k}^{(a)} = (1 - \frac{a}{2})\omega_{k}^{(a)} + \frac{a}{2}\omega_{k-1}^{(a)}, \quad k \geq 1, \tag{2.10} \]
here
\[ \omega_{0}^{(a)} = (-1)^{k} \left( -\frac{a}{k} \right), \quad \omega_{0}^{(a)} = 1, \quad \omega_{k}^{(a)} = \left( 1 + \frac{a-1}{k} \right)\omega_{k-1}^{(a)}, \quad k \geq 1. \tag{2.11} \]

By using the Crank-Nicolson difference scheme and WSGI approximation formula to discretize the equation (2.8), we obtain the semi-discrete scheme in time direction
\[ D_{t}u^{n+1} - \mathcal{I}_{t}^{\alpha}\Delta u^{n+\frac{1}{2}} + \mathcal{I}_{t}^{\alpha}u^{n+\frac{1}{2}} = g^{n+\frac{1}{2}} + E^{n+\frac{1}{2}}, \tag{2.12} \]
where $g^{n+\frac{1}{2}} = \mathcal{I}_{t}^{\alpha}f^{n+\frac{1}{2}} + \varphi(x, y)$, $E^{n+\frac{1}{2}} = \bar{E} + E^{n+\frac{1}{2}}$ is $O(\tau^{2})$, $E^{n+\frac{1}{2}} = D_{t}u^{n+\frac{1}{2}} - u_{t}(t_{n+\frac{1}{2}}) = O(\tau^{2})$. Then by using (2.9),(2.12), the fully discrete WSGI-OSC scheme for Eqs.(1.1) consists in finding $(u_{h}^{n})_{n=0}^{N-1} \subset M_{r}(\delta)$ such that
\[ \frac{u_{h}^{n+1} - u_{h}^{n}}{\tau} = \tau^{\alpha} \sum_{k=0}^{n} \lambda_{k}^{(a)} \Delta u_{h}^{n+1-k} + \tau^{a} \sum_{k=0}^{n} \lambda_{k}^{(a)} u_{h}^{n+1-k} = g^{n+\frac{1}{2}}. \tag{2.13} \]
For the needs of analysis, we give the following equivalent Galerkin weak formulation of the equation (2.12) by multiplying the equation with \( v \in H_0^1 \) and integrating with respect to spatial domain \( \Omega \)

\[
(D_t u^{n+1}, v) + (a I_f \nabla u^{n+\frac{1}{2}}, \nabla v) + (a I_f^2 u^{n+\frac{1}{2}}, v) = (g^{n+\frac{1}{2}}, v) + (E^{n+\frac{1}{2}}, v). \tag{2.14}
\]

We take the space \( M_\delta(\beta) \subset H_0^1 \) and obtain the fully discrete scheme as follows:

\[
\left( \frac{u_h^{n+1} - u_h^n}{\tau}, v_h \right) + \tau a \sum_{k=0}^{n} \lambda^{(a)}_k (\nabla u_h^{n+\frac{1}{2} - k}, \nabla v_h) + \tau a \sum_{k=0}^{n} \lambda^{(a)}_k (u_h^{n+\frac{1}{2} - k}, v_h) = (g^{n+\frac{1}{2}}, v_h), \forall v_h \in M_\delta(\beta) \tag{2.15}
\]

3 Stability and convergence analysis of WSGI-OSC scheme

In this section, we will give the stability and convergence analysis for fully-discrete WSGI-OSC scheme (2.13). To this end, we further need the following lemmas.

**Lemma 3.1.** [17] Let \( \{\lambda^{(a)}_k\} \) defined in (2.10), then for any positive integer \( k \) and real vector \( (v_1, v_2, \cdots, v_k)^T \in \mathbb{R}^k \), it holds that

\[
\sum_{n=0}^{k-1} \left( \sum_{p=0}^{n} \lambda^{(a)}_p v_{n+1-p} \right) v_{n+1} \geq 0.
\]

**Lemma 3.2.** (Gronwall’s inequality) [29] Assume that \( k_n \) and \( p_n \) are nonnegative sequence, and the sequence \( \phi_n \) satisfies

\[
\phi_0 \leq g_0, \quad \phi_n \leq \phi_0 + \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} p_l + \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} k_l p_l, \quad n \geq 1,
\]

where, \( g_0 \geq 0 \). Then the sequence \( \phi_n \) satisfies

\[
\phi_n \leq \left( g_0 + \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} p_l \right) \exp \left( \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} k_l \right), \quad n \geq 1.
\]

**Theorem 3.1.** The fully-discrete WSGI-OSC scheme (2.15) is unconditionally stable for sufficiently small \( \tau > 0 \), it holds

\[
\|u_h^{L+1}\|^2 \leq C \left( \|u_h^0\|^2 + \max_{0 \leq n \leq N-1} \|g^{n+\frac{1}{2}}\|^2 \right), 1 \leq L \leq N - 1. \tag{3.1}
\]

**Proof.** Taking \( v_h = u_h^{n+\frac{1}{2}} = u^{n+1}_h + u^n_h \) in (2.15) and applying the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality and Young inequality, it gives that

\[
\frac{1}{2\tau} \left( \|u_h^{n+1}\|^2 - \|u_h^n\|^2 \right) + \tau a \sum_{k=0}^{n} \lambda^{(a)}_k \left( \nabla u_h^{n+\frac{1}{2} - k}, \nabla v_h \right) \leq \frac{1}{2} \left( \|g^{n+\frac{1}{2}}\|^2 + \|u_h^{n+\frac{1}{2}}\|^2 \right). \tag{3.2}
\]

Summing (3.2) for \( n \) from 0 to \( L(0 \leq n \leq N - 1) \), we obtain

\[
\frac{1}{2\tau} \sum_{n=0}^{L} \left( \|u_h^{n+1}\|^2 - \|u_h^n\|^2 \right) + \tau a \sum_{n=0}^{L} \sum_{k=0}^{n} \lambda^{(a)}_k \left( \nabla u_h^{n+\frac{1}{2} - k}, \nabla v_h \right) \leq \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{L} \left( \|g^{n+\frac{1}{2}}\|^2 + \|u_h^{n+\frac{1}{2}}\|^2 \right). \tag{3.3}
\]

Multiplying the above equation by \( 2\tau \), also using Lemma 1, then dropping the nonnegative terms

\[
2\tau a \sum_{n=0}^{L} \sum_{k=0}^{n} \lambda^{(a)}_k \left( \nabla u_h^{n+\frac{1}{2} - k}, \nabla v_h \right),
\]
we have
\[
||u_h^{n+1}||^2 \leq ||u_h^n||^2 + \tau \sum_{n=0}^{L} (||g^{n+\frac{1}{2}}||^2 + ||u_h^{n+\frac{1}{2}}||^2)
\]
\[
\leq ||u_h^n||^2 + T \max_{0 \leq t \leq N-1} ||g^{n+\frac{1}{2}}||^2 + \tau \sum_{n=0}^{L} ||u_h^{n+\frac{1}{2}}||^2
\]
\[
\leq ||u_h^n||^2 + T \max_{0 \leq t \leq N-1} ||g^{n+\frac{1}{2}}||^2 + \tau \sum_{n=1}^{L} (||u_h^{n+1}||^2 + ||u_h^n||^2).
\] (3.4)

Then, it gives that,
\[
(1 - \frac{1}{2} \tau)||u_h^{n+1}||^2 \leq (1 + \frac{1}{2} \tau)||u_h^n||^2 + T \max_{0 \leq t \leq N-1} ||g^{n+\frac{1}{2}}||^2 + \tau \sum_{n=1}^{L} ||u_h^n||^2.
\] (3.5)

Provided the time step \(\tau\) is sufficiently small, there exists a positive constant \(C\) such that
\[
||u_h^{n+1}||^2 \leq C(||u_h^n||^2 + \max_{0 \leq t \leq N-1} ||g^{n+\frac{1}{2}}||^2).
\] (3.6)

Using Gronwall’s Lemma 3.2, we get
\[
||u_h^{L+1}||^2 \leq C(||u_h^0||^2 + \max_{0 \leq t \leq N-1} ||g^{n+\frac{1}{2}}||^2).
\] (3.7)

The proof is complete.

**Theorem 3.2.** Suppose \(u\) is the exact solution of (1.1)-(1.3), and \(u^n_h(0 \leq n \leq N - 1)\) is the solution of the problem (2.13) with \(u^0_h = W^0\), then there exists a positive constant \(C\), independent of \(h\) and \(\tau\) such that
\[
||u(t_n) - u^n_h||^2 \leq C(\tau^2 + h^{r+1}).
\] (3.8)

**Proof.** With \(W\) defined in (2.1), we set
\[
\eta^n = W^n - u^n, \quad \zeta^n = u^n_h - W^n, \quad 0 \leq n \leq N,
\] (3.9)

thus we have
\[
u^n = u^n - u^n_h = \eta^n + \zeta^n.
\] (3.10)

Because the estimate of \(\eta^n\) are provided by Lemma 2.2, it is sufficient to bound \(\zeta^n\), then use the triangle inequality to bound \(u^n - u^n_h\). Firstly, from (1.1),(2.1),(2.13),and(2.15), then for \(\nu_h \in M_\tau(\delta)\), we obtain
\[
\left(\frac{\eta^{n+1} - \eta^n}{\tau}, \nu_h\right) + \tau^a \sum_{k=0}^{n} a_k^{(a)}(\nabla \eta^{n+\frac{1}{2}-k}, \nabla \nu_h) + \tau^a \sum_{k=0}^{n} a_k^{(a)}(\zeta^{n+\frac{1}{2}-k}, \nu_h)
\]
\[
= -\tau^a \sum_{k=0}^{n} a_k^{(a)}(\zeta^{n+\frac{1}{2}-k}, \nu_h) - \left(\frac{\zeta^{n+1} - \zeta^n}{\tau}, \nu_h\right) + (\nu_h^{n+\frac{1}{2}}, \nu_h),
\] (3.11)

where \(\nu_h^{n+\frac{1}{2}}\) is defined in (2.12). Taking \(\nu_h = \eta^{n+\frac{1}{2}}\) in (3.11), we have
\[
\left(\frac{\eta^{n+1} - \eta^n}{\tau}, \eta^{n+\frac{1}{2}}\right) + \tau^a \sum_{k=0}^{n} a_k^{(a)}(\nabla \eta^{n+\frac{1}{2}-k}, \eta^{n+\frac{1}{2}}) + \tau^a \sum_{k=0}^{n} a_k^{(a)}(\eta^{n+\frac{1}{2}-k}, \eta^{n+\frac{1}{2}})
\]
\[
= -\tau^a \sum_{k=0}^{n} a_k^{(a)}(\eta^{n+\frac{1}{2}-k}, \eta^{n+\frac{1}{2}}) - \left(\frac{\zeta^{n+1} - \zeta^n}{\tau}, \eta^{n+\frac{1}{2}}\right) + (\nu_h^{n+\frac{1}{2}}, \eta^{n+\frac{1}{2}}).
\] (3.12)
Multiplying (3.12) by $2\tau$, and summing from $n = 0$ to $n = L - 1$ ($1 \leq n \leq N + 1$), it follows that
\begin{align*}
\sum_{n=0}^{L-1} \left( \|\eta_{n+1}\|^2 - \|\eta_n\|^2 \right) + 2\tau^{n+1} \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} \sum_{k=0}^{n} a_k^{(a)} \left( (\nabla \eta_{n+1}^{\frac{1}{2} - k}, \nabla \eta_n^{\frac{1}{2}}) + (\eta_{n+1}^{\frac{1}{2} - k}, \eta_n^{\frac{1}{2}}) \right)
&= -2\tau a^{n+1} \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} \sum_{k=0}^{n} a_k^{(a)} (\chi^{n+\frac{1}{2} - k}, \eta_n^{\frac{1}{2}}) - 2\tau \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} \left( \frac{\xi^{n+\frac{1}{2}} - \xi^n}{\tau}, \eta_n^{\frac{1}{2}} \right) + 2\tau \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} (E^{n+\frac{1}{2}}, \eta_n^{\frac{1}{2}}) \\
&= I_1 + I_2 + I_3. \tag{3.13}
\end{align*}

Next, we will give the estimate of $I_1$, $I_2$ and $I_3$, respectively.
\begin{align*}
I_1 &= -2\tau a^{n+1} \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} \sum_{k=0}^{n} a_k^{(a)} (\chi^{n+\frac{1}{2} - k}, \eta_n^{\frac{1}{2}}) \\
&= -2\tau a^{n+1} \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} \left( \frac{t_n}{2} \xi_{\frac{n+1}{2}} - \bar{E}, \eta_n^{\frac{1}{2}} \right) \\
&= -2\tau a^{n+1} \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} \int_0^{t_{n+1}} \xi(x, y, s) \frac{t_n}{(t_{n+1} - s)^{1-a}} \, ds + \int_0^{t_n} \xi(x, y, s) \frac{t_n}{(t_n - s)^{1-a}} \, ds - 2\bar{E}, \eta_n^{\frac{1}{2}} \right) \\
&\leq \tau \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} \left( -\frac{1}{f(a)} [t_{n+1} - s]^{a} [t_n - s]^{a} \max_{0 \leq \alpha \leq 1} \|\xi(x, y, s)\| + ||2\bar{E}|| \right) ||\eta_n^{\frac{1}{2}}|| \\
&\leq \frac{\tau}{f(a + 1)} \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} \left( 2\tau a \max_{0 \leq \alpha \leq 1} ||\xi(x, y, t)|| + ||\bar{E}|| \right) ||\eta_n^{\frac{1}{2}}|| \\
&\leq C\tau \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} \left( (1 + \max_{0 \leq \alpha \leq 1} ||\xi(x, y, t)||^2 + ||\eta_n^{\frac{1}{2}}||^2 \right), \tag{3.14}
\end{align*}

Taking advantages of mean value theorem and Cauchy-Schwarz inequality as well as Young inequality, we have $t_n \leq t_{n+\theta} \leq t_{n+1}$
\begin{align*}
I_2 + I_3 &= -2\tau \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} \left( \frac{\xi^{n+\frac{1}{2}} - \xi^n}{\tau}, \eta_n^{\frac{1}{2}} \right) + 2\tau \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} (E^{n+\frac{1}{2}}, \eta_n^{\frac{1}{2}}) \\
&= \tau \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} \left( ||\xi(x, y, t_{n+\theta})||^2 + ||E^{n+\frac{1}{2}}||^2 + 2||\eta_n^{\frac{1}{2}}||^2 \right). \tag{3.15}
\end{align*}

Using Lemma 1, we obtain
\begin{align*}
2\tau a^{n+1} \sum_{n=0}^{L} \sum_{k=0}^{n} a_k^{(a)} \left( (\nabla \eta_{n+1}^{\frac{1}{2} - k}, \nabla \eta_n) + (\eta_{n+1}^{\frac{1}{2} - k}, \eta_n) \right) \geq 0. \tag{3.16}
\end{align*}

Substituting (3.14),(3.15),(3.16) in (3.13) and removing the nonnegative terms, we attain
\begin{align*}
||\eta^T||^2 \leq ||\eta^0||^2 + C\tau \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} \left( r^4 + \max_{0 \leq \alpha \leq 1} ||\xi(x, y, t)|| + ||\eta_n^{\frac{1}{2}}||^2 \right) + \tau \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} \left( ||\xi(x, y, t_{n+\theta})||^2 + ||E^{n+\frac{1}{2}}||^2 + 2||\eta_n^{\frac{1}{2}}||^2 \right), \tag{3.17}
\end{align*}

that is
\begin{align*}
(1 - C\tau)||\eta^T||^2 \leq C\tau \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} ||\eta_n^T||^2 + C\tau \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} \left( r^4 + \max_{0 \leq \alpha \leq 1} ||\xi(x, y, t)||^2 + ||\xi(x, y, t_{n+\theta})||^2 \right). \tag{3.18}
\end{align*}
Using the Gronwall’s inequality, Lemma 2.2 and triangle inequality, in the case that the time step $\tau$ is sufficiently small, there exists a positive constant $C$ such that

$$\|\eta^L\|^2 \leq \exp(C\tau)C\sum_{n=0}^{L-1} \left( \tau^4 + Ch^{2r+2}\|u\|^2_{L^p} + Ch^{2r+2}\|u_t\|^2_{L^p} \right) \leq C(\tau^4 + h^{2r+2})$$

(3.19)

and

$$\|u(t) - u_h^L\|^2 \leq (\|\eta^L\| + \|\zeta^L\|)^2 \leq C(\tau^4 + h^{2r+2})$$

(3.20)

which completes the proof.

4 Description of the WSGI-OSC scheme

It can be observed from the fully discrete scheme (2.13) that we need to handle a two-dimensional partial differential equation for each time level, that is

$$(1 + \frac{1}{2}r^n\beta_0)u_h^{n+1} - \frac{1}{2}r^n\beta_0 \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} \lambda_k(a) (\Delta u_h^{n+1-k} + u_h^{n+1-k})$$

$$- \frac{1}{2}r^n\beta_0 \sum_{k=0}^{n} \lambda_k(a) (\Delta u_h^{n-k} + u_h^{n-k}) + \tau \frac{\mathbf{g}_n + \mathbf{g}_{n-1}}{2} + u_h^n$$

(4.1)

We denote $\alpha_0 = \frac{1}{2}r^n\beta_0$ and $\beta_0 = \frac{1}{2}r^n\beta_0$, then the above equation can be rewritten as

$$(1 + \alpha)u_h^{n+1} - \alpha_0 \Delta u_h^{n+1} = \beta_0 \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} \lambda_k(a) (\Delta u_h^{n+1-k} - u_h^{n+1-k}) + \beta_0 \sum_{k=0}^{n} \lambda_k(a) (\Delta u_h^{n-k} - u_h^{n-k}) + \tau \frac{\mathbf{g}_n + \mathbf{g}_{n-1}}{2} + u_h^n,$$

$$n = 0, \cdots, N - 1.$$ (4.2)

For applying the numerical schemes, firstly, we usually represent $u^n_h$ by the base functions of $M_t(\delta)$, then solve the coefficients of the representation formula. Letting

$$M_t(\delta_x) = \text{span}\{ \Phi_1, \Phi_2, \cdots, \Phi_{M_t-1}, \Phi_{M_t} \},$$

$$M_t(\delta_y) = \text{span}\{ \Psi_1, \Psi_2, \cdots, \Psi_{M_t-1}, \Psi_{M_t} \},$$

then

$$u^n_h(x, y) = \sum_{j=1}^{M_t} \sum_{i=1}^{M_t} \hat{u}^n_{i,j} \Phi_i(x) \Psi_j(y),$$

where $\{\hat{u}^n_{i,j}\}_{i,j=1}^{M_t,M_t}$ are unknown coefficients to be determined. Setting

$$\hat{u} = [\hat{u}^n_{1,1}, \hat{u}^n_{1,2}, \cdots, \hat{u}^n_{1,M_t}, \hat{u}^n_{2,1}, \hat{u}^n_{2,2}, \cdots, \hat{u}^n_{M_t,M_t}]^T,$$

then the equation (4.2) can be written in the following form by Kronecker product

$$\left\{ (1 + \alpha)B^T \otimes B^j + \alpha_0(A^t \otimes B^j + B^t \otimes A^j) \right\} \hat{u}^{n+1} = -\beta_0 \left\{ A^x \otimes B^j + B^x \otimes A^j + B^y \otimes B^j \right\} \left( \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} \lambda_k(a) \hat{u}^{n+1-k} \right)$$

$$+ \sum_{k=0}^{n} \lambda_k(a) \hat{u}^{n-k} + (B^x \otimes B^j) \hat{u}^n + \frac{1}{2}r \frac{\mathbf{g}_n + \mathbf{g}_{n-1}}{2},$$

(4.3)

where

$$A^x = (a_{i,j}^x)_{i,j=1}^{M_t}, a_{i,j}^x = -\Phi_j''(\xi_i^x), B^x = (b_{i,j}^x)_{i,j=1}^{M_t}, b_{i,j}^x = \Phi_j(\xi_i^x).$$
functions at the Gauss point and their second-order derivatives. They are defined as follows:

\[ A^r = (a^r_{i,j})_{i,j=1}^{M_x}, a^r_{i,j} = -\Psi_j''(\xi_i^r), \quad B^r = (b^r_{i,j})_{i,j=1}^{M_y}, \quad b^r_{i,j} = \Psi_j'(\xi_i^r), \quad (4.4) \]

and

\[ G_1^{r+1} = [g^{n+1}(\xi_1^r, \xi_1^r), g^{n+1}(\xi_1^r, \xi_2^r), \ldots, g^{n+1}(\xi_i^r, \xi_i^r), g^{n+1}(\xi_{M_y}^r, \xi_i^r)]^T, \]
\[ G_2^{r+1} = [g^n(\xi_1^r, \xi_1^r), g^n(\xi_1^r, \xi_2^r), \ldots, g^n(\xi_i^r, \xi_i^r), g^n(\xi_{M_y}^r, \xi_i^r)]^T. \]

The matrices \( A^x, B^x, A^r \) and \( B^r \) are \( M_x \times M_y \) having the following structure,

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
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  x \times x \\
  x \times x \\
\end{bmatrix}.
\]

We carry out the WSGI-OSC scheme in piecewise Hermite cubic spline space \( M_3(\delta) \), which satisfies zero boundary condition. Detailedly, we choose the basis of cubic Hermite polynomials [30], namely, for \( 1 \leq i \leq K - 1 \), it follows that

\[ \phi_i(x) = \begin{cases} 
\frac{-2(x-x_{i-1})^3 + 3(x-x_{i-1})^2}{n^3}, & x_{i-1} \leq x \leq x_i, \\
\frac{2(x-x_i)^3 + 3(x-x_i)^2}{n^3}, & x_i \leq x \leq x_{i+1}, \\
0, & x < x_{i-1} \text{ or } x > x_{i+1}, \end{cases} \]

and

\[ \psi_i(x) = \begin{cases} 
\frac{(x-x_{i-1})^2(x-x_i)}{n^2}, & x_{i-1} \leq x \leq x_i, \\
\frac{(x-x_i)^2(x-x_{i+1})}{n^2}, & x_i \leq x \leq x_{i+1}, \\
0, & x < x_{i-1} \text{ or } x > x_{i+1}. \end{cases} \]

Note that functions \( \phi_i(x), \psi_i(x) \) satisfy zero boundary conditions \( \phi_i(0) = \phi_i(1) = \psi_i(0) = \psi_i(1) = 0 \). Renumber the basis functions and let

\[ \{ \psi_0, \psi_1, \psi_2, \ldots, \psi_{K-1}, \psi_{K-1}, \psi_K \} = \{ \Phi_1, \Phi_2, \Phi_3, \ldots, \Phi_{2K} \}, \]

then

\[ M_3(\delta) = \text{span}\{ \Phi_1, \Phi_2, \Phi_3, \ldots, \Phi_{2K} \}, \quad M_3(\delta) = \text{span}\{ \Phi_1, \Phi_2, \Phi_3, \ldots, \Phi_{2K} \}. \]

In order to recover the coefficient matrix of the equations (4.3), we need to calculate the values of the basis functions at the Gauss point and their second-order derivatives. They are defined as follows:

\[ H_1(u_j) = (1 + 2u_j)(1 - u_j)^2, \quad H_2(u_j) = u_j(1 - u_j)^2 h_k, \quad H_3(u_j) = u_j^2(3 - 2u_j), \quad H_4(u_j) = u_j^2(u_j - 1)h_k, \]
\[ I_1(u_j) = (12u_j^3 - 6)/h_k^2, \quad I_2(u_j) = (6u_j - 4)/h_k, \quad I_3(u_j) = (6 - 12u_j)/h_k^2, \quad I_4(u_j) = (6u_j - 2)/h_k, \]

(4.10)

where \( u_1 = (3 - \sqrt{3})/6, \ u_2 = (3 + \sqrt{3})/6, \ H_i \) and \( I_i \) denotes the formulas of Hermite polynomials and their second-order derivatives at Gauss points, respectively. Based on the above descriptions of basis functions, we give an example of matrix \( A^x \) and \( B^x \) in the case of \( N_x = N_y = 5 \) and \( h_k = 1/N_x \). We have

\[ A^x = \begin{bmatrix} 
I_2(u_1) & I_3(u_1) & I_4(u_1) & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
I_2(u_2) & I_3(u_2) & I_4(u_2) & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & I_1(u_1) & I_2(u_1) & I_3(u_1) & I_4(u_1) & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & I_1(u_2) & I_2(u_2) & I_3(u_2) & I_4(u_2) & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & I_1(u_1) & I_2(u_1) & I_3(u_1) & I_4(u_1) & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & I_1(u_2) & I_2(u_2) & I_3(u_2) & I_4(u_2) & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & I_1(u_1) & I_2(u_1) & I_3(u_1) & I_4(u_1) & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & I_1(u_2) & I_2(u_2) & I_3(u_2) & I_4(u_2) & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & I_1(u_1) & I_2(u_1) & I_3(u_1) & I_4(u_1) & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & I_1(u_2) & I_2(u_2) & I_3(u_2) & I_4(u_2) & 0 \\
\end{bmatrix} \]

(4.11)
the corresponding convergence order defined by
\[ \frac{\log(e_m/e_{m+1})}{\log(h_m/h_{m+1})} \]
where \( h_m = 1/K \) is the time step size and \( e_m \) is the norm of the corresponding error.

**Example 1** We consider the following one-dimensional time-fractional diffusion-wave equation
\[
\frac{\partial^\gamma u(x, t)}{\partial t^\gamma} = \frac{\partial^2 u(x, t)}{\partial x^2} - f(x, t), \quad 0 < x < 1, \quad 0 < t \leq 1,
\]
\[
\begin{align*}
\gamma &= \frac{1}{4}, & f(x, t) &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\gamma+1)} t^{\gamma} x^2 (1-x)^2 e^x - 2 t^3 e^x (1+2x+4x^2).
\end{align*}
\]
where \( f(x, t) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\gamma+1)} t^{\gamma} x^2 (1-x)^2 e^x - 2 t^3 e^x (1-4x+4x^3) \). The analytical solution of this equation is \( u(x, t) = t^\gamma x^2 (1-x)^2 e^x \).

From the theoretical analysis, the numerical convergence order of WSGI-OSC (4.2) is expected to be \( O(t^2 + h^4) \) when \( r = 3 \). In order to check the second order accuracy in time direction, we select \( \tau = h \) so that the error caused by the spatial approximation can be negligible. Table 1 lists \( L_\infty \) and \( L_2 \) errors at \( T = 1 \) and the corresponding convergence order defined by

It can be seen from the tensor product calculation that the WSGI-OSC scheme requires the solution of an almost block diagonal linear system at each time level, which can be solved efficiently by the software package COLROW [24].

5 Numerical experiments

In this section, four examples are given to demonstrate our theoretical analysis. In our implementations, we adopt the space of piecewise Hermite bicubics \((r = 3)\) on uniform partitions of \( I \) in both \( x \) and \( y \) directions with \( N_x = N_y = K \). The forcing term \( f(x, y, t) \) is approximated by the piecewise Hermite interpolant projection in the Gauss points. To check the accuracy of WSGI-OSC scheme, we present \( \| u - u_h \|_\infty \) and \( \| u - u_h \|_L^2 \) errors and the corresponding convergence order defined by

\[
\text{Convergence order} = \frac{\log(e_m/e_{m+1})}{\log(h_m/h_{m+1})},
\]
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**Example 2** Consider the following one-dimensional fractional diffusion-wave equation
\[
\frac{\partial^\gamma u(x, t)}{\partial t^\gamma} = \frac{\partial^2 u(x, t)}{\partial x^2} - f(x, t), \quad 0 < x < 1, \quad 0 < t \leq 1,
\]
where
\[
\begin{align*}
\gamma &= \frac{1}{4}, & f(x, t) &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\gamma+1)} t^{\gamma} x^2 (1-x)^2 e^x - 2 t^3 e^x (1-4x+4x^3).
\end{align*}
\]
Table 1: The $L_{\infty}$, $L_2$ errors and temporal convergence orders with $\tau = h$ for Example 1.

| $\gamma$ | $\tau$ | $L_{\infty}$ error | Convergence order | $L_2$ error | Convergence order |
|----------|--------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------------|
| 1.1      | $\frac{1}{10}$ | 7.0727 x 10^{-5} | 4.4681 x 10^{-5} | 1.1979 | 1.9747 | 1.2748 x 10^{-6} | 2.0022 |
|          | $\frac{1}{20}$ | 1.7932 x 10^{-5} | 4.1012 x 10^{-5} | 1.993 | 1.9937 | 2.748 x 10^{-6} | 2.0022 |
|          | $\frac{1}{50}$ | 4.5623 x 10^{-6} | 1.993 | 2.748 x 10^{-6} | 2.0022 |
| 1.3      | $\frac{1}{10}$ | 1.1483 x 10^{-6} | 6.8758 x 10^{-7} | 1.993 | 1.9937 | 2.748 x 10^{-6} | 2.0022 |
|          | $\frac{1}{20}$ | 2.6081 x 10^{-6} | 1.993 | 2.748 x 10^{-6} | 2.0022 |
|          | $\frac{1}{50}$ | 6.6648 x 10^{-7} | 1.993 | 2.748 x 10^{-6} | 2.0022 |
| 1.5      | $\frac{1}{10}$ | 4.1657 x 10^{-6} | 2.7911 x 10^{-6} | 1.993 | 1.9937 | 2.748 x 10^{-6} | 2.0022 |
|          | $\frac{1}{20}$ | 1.0633 x 10^{-6} | 6.8593 x 10^{-7} | 1.993 | 1.9937 | 2.748 x 10^{-6} | 2.0022 |
|          | $\frac{1}{50}$ | 2.6736 x 10^{-7} | 1.993 | 2.748 x 10^{-6} | 2.0022 |
| 1.7      | $\frac{1}{10}$ | 6.7115 x 10^{-6} | 4.2405 x 10^{-6} | 1.993 | 1.9937 | 2.748 x 10^{-6} | 2.0022 |
|          | $\frac{1}{20}$ | 5.3422 x 10^{-6} | 3.6265 x 10^{-6} | 1.993 | 1.9937 | 2.748 x 10^{-6} | 2.0022 |
|          | $\frac{1}{50}$ | 3.4419 x 10^{-6} | 2.2160 x 10^{-6} | 1.993 | 1.9937 | 2.748 x 10^{-6} | 2.0022 |
| 1.9      | $\frac{1}{10}$ | 8.6292 x 10^{-6} | 5.5175 x 10^{-6} | 1.993 | 1.9937 | 2.748 x 10^{-6} | 2.0022 |
|          | $\frac{1}{20}$ | 5.7600 x 10^{-6} | 3.9339 x 10^{-6} | 1.993 | 1.9937 | 2.748 x 10^{-6} | 2.0022 |
|          | $\frac{1}{50}$ | 3.7391 x 10^{-6} | 2.4112 x 10^{-6} | 1.993 | 1.9937 | 2.748 x 10^{-6} | 2.0022 |
| 1.95     | $\frac{1}{10}$ | 9.3633 x 10^{-6} | 5.9996 x 10^{-6} | 1.993 | 1.9937 | 2.748 x 10^{-6} | 2.0022 |
|          | $\frac{1}{20}$ | 5.6941 x 10^{-6} | 3.8862 x 10^{-6} | 1.993 | 1.9937 | 2.748 x 10^{-6} | 2.0022 |
|          | $\frac{1}{50}$ | 3.6917 x 10^{-6} | 2.3812 x 10^{-6} | 1.993 | 1.9937 | 2.748 x 10^{-6} | 2.0022 |

Figure 1: Numerical solution (a) and global error (b) for Example 1 with $\gamma = 1.3$, $h = 1/32$, $\tau = 1/32$. 
The results in Tables 3 and 4 demonstrate the expected convergence rates of 2 order in time and 4 order in space. To check the convergence order in space, the time step shown in Figure 2.

In order to test the temporal accuracy of the proposed method, we choose \( \tau = h^2 \) to avoid contamination of the spatial error. The maximum \( L_{\infty} \), \( L_2 \) errors and temporal convergence orders are shown in Table 3. To check the convergence order in space, the time step \( \tau \) and space step \( h \) are chosen such that \( \tau = h^2 \), and \( \gamma = 1.1, 1.3, 1.5, 1.7, 1.9, 1.95 \). Table 4 presents the maximum \( L_{\infty}, L_2 \) errors and spatial convergence orders. The results in Tables 3 and 4 demonstrate the expected convergence rates of 2 order in time and 4 order in space simultaneously. Numerical solution and global error at \( T = 1 \) with \( \gamma = 1.5, h = 1/32, \tau = 1/32 \) are shown in Figure 2.

**Example 3** Consider the following two-dimensional fractional diffusion-wave equation

\[
{}^\gamma D_t^\gamma u(x, y, t) - \Delta u(x, y, t) + u(x, y, t) = f(x, y, t),
\]

\[
u(x, y, 0) = 0, \quad \frac{\partial u(x, y, 0)}{\partial t} = 0, \quad (x, y) \in \Omega,
\]

\[
u(x, y, t) = 0, \quad (x, y, t) \in \partial \Omega \times (0, T],
\]

where \( f(x, t) = \left[ \frac{2}{(\pi t)^2} \right] \sin \pi x \). The analytical solution of this equation is \( u(x, t) = (t^2 - t) \sin \pi x \).

**Table 2:** The \( L_{\infty}, L_2 \) errors and spatial convergence orders with \( \tau = h^2 \) for Example 1.

| \( \gamma \) | \( h \) | \( L_{\infty} \) error | Convergence order | \( L_2 \) error | Convergence order |
|------|------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| 1.1  | \( \tau \) | 2.4371 \times 10^{-6} | 1.7740 \times 10^{-6} | 4.0329 |
|      | \( \frac{1}{10} \) | 1.5377 \times 10^{-7} | 3.9863 | 1.0837 \times 10^{-7} | 4.0172 |
|      | \( \frac{1}{10} \) | 9.6290 \times 10^{-9} | 3.9972 | 6.6928 \times 10^{-9} | 4.0088 |
|      | \( \frac{1}{100} \) | 6.0225 \times 10^{-10} | 3.9989 | 4.1576 \times 10^{-10} | 4.0008 |
| 1.3  | \( \tau \) | 3.8377 \times 10^{-6} | 2.6750 \times 10^{-6} | 4.0338 |
|      | \( \frac{1}{10} \) | 2.4364 \times 10^{-7} | 3.9774 | 1.6332 \times 10^{-7} | 4.0174 |
|      | \( \frac{1}{10} \) | 1.5241 \times 10^{-8} | 3.9987 | 1.0085 \times 10^{-8} | 4.0089 |
|      | \( \frac{1}{100} \) | 9.5308 \times 10^{-10} | 3.9992 | 6.2644 \times 10^{-10} | 4.0009 |
| 1.5  | \( \tau \) | 4.7527 \times 10^{-6} | 3.2535 \times 10^{-6} | 4.0347 |
|      | \( \frac{1}{10} \) | 3.0159 \times 10^{-7} | 3.9781 | 1.9851 \times 10^{-7} | 4.0177 |
|      | \( \frac{1}{10} \) | 1.8863 \times 10^{-8} | 3.9990 | 1.2256 \times 10^{-8} | 4.0089 |
|      | \( \frac{1}{100} \) | 1.1798 \times 10^{-9} | 3.9990 | 7.6129 \times 10^{-10} | 4.0090 |
| 1.7  | \( \tau \) | 5.1530 \times 10^{-6} | 3.4857 \times 10^{-6} | 4.0354 |
|      | \( \frac{1}{10} \) | 3.2579 \times 10^{-7} | 3.9834 | 2.1258 \times 10^{-7} | 4.0178 |
|      | \( \frac{1}{10} \) | 2.0382 \times 10^{-8} | 3.9986 | 1.3123 \times 10^{-8} | 4.0090 |
|      | \( \frac{1}{100} \) | 1.2754 \times 10^{-9} | 3.9982 | 8.1509 \times 10^{-10} | 4.0091 |
| 1.9  | \( \tau \) | 4.6730 \times 10^{-6} | 3.0735 \times 10^{-6} | 4.0361 |
|      | \( \frac{1}{10} \) | 2.9311 \times 10^{-7} | 3.9948 | 1.8735 \times 10^{-7} | 4.0181 |
|      | \( \frac{1}{10} \) | 1.8412 \times 10^{-8} | 3.9927 | 1.1563 \times 10^{-8} | 4.0090 |
|      | \( \frac{1}{100} \) | 1.1509 \times 10^{-9} | 3.9999 | 7.1819 \times 10^{-10} | 4.0090 |
| 1.95 | \( \tau \) | 4.3316 \times 10^{-6} | 2.8280 \times 10^{-6} | 4.0364 |
|      | \( \frac{1}{10} \) | 2.7151 \times 10^{-7} | 3.9958 | 1.7235 \times 10^{-7} | 4.0182 |
|      | \( \frac{1}{10} \) | 1.7062 \times 10^{-8} | 3.9922 | 1.0637 \times 10^{-8} | 4.0091 |
|      | \( \frac{1}{100} \) | 1.0665 \times 10^{-9} | 3.9999 | 6.6066 \times 10^{-10} | 4.0091 |
Table 3: The $L_{\infty}$, $L_2$ errors and temporal convergence orders with $\tau = h$ for Example 2.

| $\gamma$ | $\tau$ | $L_{\infty}$ error | Convergence order | $L_2$ error | Convergence order |
|----------|--------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------|------------------|
| 1.1      | $\frac{1}{10}$ | 2.7779x10^{-5} | 1.8686x10^{-5} | 1.6912x10^{-5} | 1.0597x10^{-5} |
|          | $\frac{1}{20}$ | 6.9405x10^{-6} | 2.0099          | 4.5452x10^{-6} | 2.0395           |
|          | $\frac{1}{40}$ | 1.7225x10^{-6} | 2.0105          | 1.1135x10^{-6} | 2.0292           |
|          | $\frac{1}{80}$ | 4.2704x10^{-7} | 2.0121          | 2.7427x10^{-7} | 2.0215           |
| 1.3      | $\frac{1}{10}$ | 6.8399x10^{-5} | 4.6042x10^{-5} | 1.6912x10^{-5} | 1.0597x10^{-5} |
|          | $\frac{1}{20}$ | 1.6912x10^{-5} | 2.0159          | 1.1079x10^{-5} | 2.0551           |
|          | $\frac{1}{40}$ | 4.1818x10^{-6} | 2.0158          | 2.7032x10^{-6} | 2.0352           |
|          | $\frac{1}{80}$ | 1.0385x10^{-6} | 2.0134          | 6.6503x10^{-7} | 2.0232           |
| 1.5      | $\frac{1}{10}$ | 1.0251x10^{-6} | 6.9519x10^{-5} | 1.6912x10^{-5} | 1.0597x10^{-5} |
|          | $\frac{1}{20}$ | 2.5114x10^{-5} | 2.0292          | 1.6555x10^{-5} | 2.0701           |
|          | $\frac{1}{40}$ | 6.2025x10^{-6} | 2.0176          | 4.0327x10^{-6} | 2.0375           |
|          | $\frac{1}{80}$ | 1.5384x10^{-6} | 2.0114          | 9.9335x10^{-7} | 2.0214           |
| 1.7      | $\frac{1}{10}$ | 1.4424x10^{-6} | 9.9816x10^{-5} | 1.6912x10^{-5} | 1.0597x10^{-5} |
|          | $\frac{1}{20}$ | 3.5642x10^{-5} | 2.0168          | 2.4001x10^{-5} | 2.0562           |
|          | $\frac{1}{40}$ | 8.8717x10^{-6} | 2.0063          | 5.8868x10^{-6} | 2.0275           |
|          | $\frac{1}{80}$ | 2.2116x10^{-6} | 2.0041          | 1.4572x10^{-6} | 2.0143           |
| 1.9      | $\frac{1}{10}$ | 1.9061x10^{-6} | 1.2932x10^{-4} | 1.6912x10^{-5} | 1.0597x10^{-5} |
|          | $\frac{1}{20}$ | 4.7290x10^{-5} | 2.0110          | 3.1561x10^{-5} | 2.0347           |
|          | $\frac{1}{40}$ | 1.1810x10^{-5} | 2.0015          | 7.7937x10^{-6} | 2.0178           |
|          | $\frac{1}{80}$ | 2.9519x10^{-6} | 2.0003          | 1.9367x10^{-6} | 2.0087           |
| 1.95     | $\frac{1}{10}$ | 2.0110x10^{-6} | 1.3455x10^{-4} | 1.6912x10^{-5} | 1.0597x10^{-5} |
|          | $\frac{1}{20}$ | 4.9930x10^{-5} | 2.0099          | 3.2930x10^{-5} | 2.0306           |
|          | $\frac{1}{40}$ | 1.2482x10^{-5} | 2.0001          | 8.1369x10^{-6} | 2.0169           |
|          | $\frac{1}{80}$ | 3.1218x10^{-6} | 1.9994          | 2.0222x10^{-6} | 2.0085           |

Figure 2: Numerical solution (a) and global error (b) for Example 2 with $\gamma = 1.5$ at $T = 1$ ($h = 1/32$, $\tau = 1/32$).
**Example 4** Consider the following two-dimensional fractional diffusion-wave equation

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t^\gamma} u(x, y, t) - \Delta u(x, y, t) + u(x, y, t) = f(x, y, t),$$

$$u(x, y, 0) = 0, \quad \frac{\partial u(x, y, 0)}{\partial t} = 0, (x, y) \in \Omega,$$

$$u(x, y, t) = 0, (x, y, t) \in \partial \Omega \times (0, T)$$

where $\Omega = [0, 1] \times [0, 1], T = 1, f(x, y, t) = \left[ \frac{\Gamma(1+\gamma)}{\Gamma(1+\gamma)} \right] t^{2+\gamma} \sin \pi x \sin \pi y$. The exact solution of the equation is $u(x, y, t) = t^{2+\gamma} \sin \pi x \sin \pi y$.

Tables 7 and 8 display $L_\infty$ and $L_2$ errors and the corresponding convergence orders in time and space for some $\gamma \in (1, 2)$. Once again, the expected convergence rates with second-order accuracy in time direction.
Table 5: The $L_{\infty}$, $L_2$ errors and temporal convergence orders for Example 3.

| $\gamma$ | $N$  | $L_{\infty}$ error | Convergence order | $L_2$ error | Convergence order |
|----------|------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------|------------------|
| 1.1      | 10   | 1.6611$\times10^{-4}$ |                   | 8.3486$\times10^{-5}$ |                  |
|          | 15   | 7.5461$\times10^{-5}$  | 1.9461            | 3.7876$\times10^{-5}$  | 1.9493           |
|          | 20   | 4.2909$\times10^{-5}$  | 1.9624            | 2.1509$\times10^{-5}$  | 1.9669           |
|          | 25   | 2.7589$\times10^{-5}$  | 1.9792            | 1.3841$\times10^{-5}$  | 1.9754           |
| 1.3      | 10   | 5.1729$\times10^{-4}$  |                   | 2.6164$\times10^{-4}$  |                  |
|          | 15   | 2.3249$\times10^{-4}$  | 1.9724            | 1.1769$\times10^{-4}$  | 1.9704           |
|          | 20   | 1.3148$\times10^{-4}$  | 1.9813            | 6.6585$\times10^{-5}$  | 1.9799           |
|          | 25   | 8.4565$\times10^{-5}$  | 1.9779            | 4.2760$\times10^{-5}$  | 1.9847           |
| 1.5      | 10   | 7.7899$\times10^{-4}$  |                   | 3.9475$\times10^{-4}$  |                  |
|          | 15   | 3.4829$\times10^{-4}$  | 1.9853            | 1.7651$\times10^{-4}$  | 1.9850           |
|          | 20   | 1.9648$\times10^{-4}$  | 1.9899            | 9.9627$\times10^{-5}$  | 1.9882           |
|          | 25   | 1.2607$\times10^{-4}$  | 1.9886            | 6.3896$\times10^{-5}$  | 1.9905           |
| 1.7      | 10   | 9.8958$\times10^{-4}$  |                   | 5.0659$\times10^{-4}$  |                  |
|          | 15   | 4.3990$\times10^{-4}$  | 1.9995            | 2.2433$\times10^{-4}$  | 2.0090           |
|          | 20   | 2.4748$\times10^{-4}$  | 1.9995            | 1.2609$\times10^{-4}$  | 2.0028           |
|          | 25   | 1.5841$\times10^{-4}$  | 1.9994            | 8.0685$\times10^{-5}$  | 2.0006           |
| 1.9      | 10   | 1.1985$\times10^{-3}$  |                   | 6.2808$\times10^{-4}$  |                  |
|          | 15   | 5.3173$\times10^{-4}$  | 2.0044            | 2.7856$\times10^{-4}$  | 2.0052           |
|          | 20   | 2.9891$\times10^{-4}$  | 2.0022            | 1.5657$\times10^{-4}$  | 2.0026           |
|          | 25   | 1.9123$\times10^{-4}$  | 2.0015            | 1.0018$\times10^{-4}$  | 2.0014           |

Figure 3: Numerical solution (a) and global error (b) for Example 3 with $\gamma = 1.7$ at $T = 1$ ($h = 1/32, \tau = 1/32$).

and fourth-order accuracy in spatial direction can be observed from two tables. Numerical solution and global error at $T = 1$ with $\gamma = 1.9, h = 1/32, \tau = 1/32$ are displayed in Figure 4.
Table 6: The $L_\infty$, $L_2$ errors and spatial convergence orders for Example 3.

| $\gamma$ | $N$  | $L_\infty$ error | Convergence order | $L_2$ error | Convergence order |
|---------|-----|-----------------|------------------|-------------|------------------|
| 1.1     | 10  | $1.7277\times10^{-6}$ |                 | $5.8164\times10^{-7}$ |                 |
|         | 15  | $3.7129\times10^{-7}$ | 3.7921           | $1.1583\times10^{-7}$ | 3.9799           |
|         | 20  | $1.2237\times10^{-7}$ | 3.8582           | $3.6753\times10^{-8}$ | 3.9902           |
|         | 25  | $5.1343\times10^{-8}$ | 3.8922           | $1.5074\times10^{-8}$ | 3.9942           |
| 1.3     | 10  | $4.5383\times10^{-6}$ |                 | $2.0806\times10^{-6}$ |                 |
|         | 15  | $8.9315\times10^{-7}$ | 4.0091           | $4.1188\times10^{-7}$ | 3.9946           |
|         | 20  | $2.8185\times10^{-7}$ | 4.0092           | $1.3042\times10^{-7}$ | 3.9974           |
|         | 25  | $1.1523\times10^{-7}$ | 4.0083           | $5.3439\times10^{-8}$ | 3.9984           |
| 1.5     | 10  | $7.1532\times10^{-6}$ |                 | $3.3974\times10^{-6}$ |                 |
|         | 15  | $1.4118\times10^{-6}$ | 4.0021           | $6.7176\times10^{-7}$ | 3.9976           |
|         | 20  | $4.4624\times10^{-7}$ | 4.0036           | $2.1262\times10^{-7}$ | 3.9988           |
|         | 25  | $1.8263\times10^{-7}$ | 4.0037           | $8.7104\times10^{-8}$ | 3.9993           |
| 1.7     | 10  | $9.2188\times10^{-6}$ |                 | $4.4527\times10^{-6}$ |                 |
|         | 15  | $1.8187\times10^{-6}$ | 4.0031           | $8.7956\times10^{-7}$ | 4.0000           |
|         | 20  | $5.7483\times10^{-7}$ | 4.0038           | $2.7830\times10^{-7}$ | 3.9999           |
|         | 25  | $2.3526\times10^{-7}$ | 4.0036           | $1.1399\times10^{-7}$ | 3.9999           |
| 1.9     | 10  | $1.1444\times10^{-5}$ |                 | $5.7230\times10^{-6}$ |                 |
|         | 15  | $2.2505\times10^{-6}$ | 4.0110           | $1.1299\times10^{-6}$ | 4.0011           |
|         | 20  | $7.1020\times10^{-7}$ | 4.0091           | $3.5746\times10^{-7}$ | 4.0005           |
|         | 25  | $2.9046\times10^{-7}$ | 4.0068           | $1.4641\times10^{-7}$ | 4.0003           |

Figure 4: Numerical solution (a) and global error (b) for Example 4 with $\gamma = 1.9$ at $T = 1$ ($h = 1/32$, $\tau = 1/32$).
Table 7: The $L_\infty$, $L_2$ errors and temporal convergence orders for Example 4.

| $\gamma$ | $N$  | $L_\infty$ error | Convergence order | $L_2$ error | Convergence order |
|----------|------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------------|
| 1.1      | 10   | $8.8381 \times 10^{-4}$ |                  | $4.4449 \times 10^{-4}$ |                  |
|          | 15   | $3.9978 \times 10^{-4}$ | 1.9566            | $2.0073 \times 10^{-4}$ | 1.9607            |
|          | 20   | $2.2738 \times 10^{-4}$ | 1.9615            | $1.1385 \times 10^{-4}$ | 1.9711            |
|          | 25   | $1.4625 \times 10^{-4}$ | 1.9775            | $7.3238 \times 10^{-5}$ | 1.9771            |
| 1.3      | 10   | $3.1514 \times 10^{-3}$ |                  | $1.5847 \times 10^{-3}$ |                  |
|          | 15   | $1.4225 \times 10^{-3}$ | 1.9617            | $7.1426 \times 10^{-4}$ | 1.9654            |
|          | 20   | $8.0814 \times 10^{-4}$ | 1.9656            | $4.0464 \times 10^{-4}$ | 1.9752            |
|          | 25   | $5.1939 \times 10^{-4}$ | 1.9811            | $2.6009 \times 10^{-4}$ | 1.9807            |
| 1.5      | 10   | $5.3058 \times 10^{-3}$ |                  | $2.6680 \times 10^{-3}$ |                  |
|          | 15   | $2.3861 \times 10^{-3}$ | 1.9709            | $1.1981 \times 10^{-3}$ | 1.9745            |
|          | 20   | $1.3534 \times 10^{-3}$ | 1.9711            | $6.7766 \times 10^{-4}$ | 1.9808            |
|          | 25   | $8.6906 \times 10^{-4}$ | 1.9851            | $4.3519 \times 10^{-4}$ | 1.9847            |
| 1.7      | 10   | $7.2062 \times 10^{-3}$ |                  | $3.6236 \times 10^{-3}$ |                  |
|          | 15   | $3.2347 \times 10^{-3}$ | 1.9755            | $1.6242 \times 10^{-3}$ | 1.9792            |
|          | 20   | $1.8321 \times 10^{-3}$ | 1.9760            | $9.1737 \times 10^{-4}$ | 1.9857            |
|          | 25   | $1.1754 \times 10^{-3}$ | 1.9893            | $5.8858 \times 10^{-4}$ | 1.9889            |
| 1.9      | 10   | $8.0346 \times 10^{-3}$ |                  | $4.0402 \times 10^{-3}$ |                  |
|          | 15   | $3.6198 \times 10^{-3}$ | 1.9665            | $1.8175 \times 10^{-3}$ | 1.9701            |
|          | 20   | $2.0516 \times 10^{-3}$ | 1.9736            | $1.0273 \times 10^{-3}$ | 1.9833            |
|          | 25   | $1.3162 \times 10^{-3}$ | 1.9893            | $6.5910 \times 10^{-4}$ | 1.9888            |
Table 8: The $L_{\infty}$, $L_2$ errors and spatial convergence orders for Example 4.

| $\gamma$ | $N$  | $L_{\infty}$ error | Convergence order | $L_2$ error  | Convergence order |
|----------|------|---------------------|-------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| 1.1      | 10   | $1.2725 \times 10^{-5}$ |                   | $6.5169 \times 10^{-5}$ |                   |
|          | 15   | $2.5700 \times 10^{-6}$ | 3.9453            | $1.2858 \times 10^{-5}$ | 4.0029           |
|          | 20   | $8.0847 \times 10^{-7}$ | 4.0202            | $4.0665 \times 10^{-5}$ | 4.0014           |
|          | 25   | $3.3300 \times 10^{-7}$ | 3.9751            | $1.6653 \times 10^{-5}$ | 4.0009           |
| 1.3      | 10   | $3.6079 \times 10^{-5}$ |                   | $1.8230 \times 10^{-5}$ |                   |
|          | 15   | $7.1968 \times 10^{-6}$ | 3.9758            | $3.6064 \times 10^{-6}$ | 3.9964           |
|          | 20   | $2.2773 \times 10^{-6}$ | 3.9997            | $1.1417 \times 10^{-6}$ | 3.9982           |
|          | 25   | $9.3472 \times 10^{-7}$ | 3.9907            | $4.6773 \times 10^{-7}$ | 3.9989           |
| 1.5      | 10   | $5.7773 \times 10^{-5}$ |                   | $2.9133 \times 10^{-5}$ |                   |
|          | 15   | $1.1491 \times 10^{-5}$ | 3.9829            | $5.7620 \times 10^{-6}$ | 3.9968           |
|          | 20   | $3.6402 \times 10^{-6}$ | 3.9959            | $1.8240 \times 10^{-6}$ | 3.9984           |
|          | 25   | $1.4930 \times 10^{-6}$ | 3.9942            | $7.4725 \times 10^{-7}$ | 3.9991           |
| 1.7      | 10   | $7.6488 \times 10^{-5}$ |                   | $3.8541 \times 10^{-5}$ |                   |
|          | 15   | $1.5190 \times 10^{-5}$ | 3.9868            | $7.6189 \times 10^{-6}$ | 3.9981           |
|          | 20   | $4.8133 \times 10^{-6}$ | 3.9948            | $2.4113 \times 10^{-6}$ | 3.9991           |
|          | 25   | $1.9734 \times 10^{-6}$ | 3.9959            | $9.8780 \times 10^{-7}$ | 3.9994           |
| 1.9      | 10   | $8.4694 \times 10^{-5}$ |                   | $4.2666 \times 10^{-5}$ |                   |
|          | 15   | $1.6803 \times 10^{-5}$ | 3.9892            | $8.4290 \times 10^{-6}$ | 3.9997           |
|          | 20   | $5.3240 \times 10^{-6}$ | 3.9951            | $2.6670 \times 10^{-6}$ | 3.9999           |
|          | 25   | $2.1823 \times 10^{-6}$ | 3.9968            | $1.0924 \times 10^{-6}$ | 4.0000           |
6 Conclusion

In this paper, we have constructed a Crank-Nicolson WSGI-OSC method for the two-dimensional time-fractional diffusion-wave equation. The original fractional diffusion-wave equation is transformed into its equivalent partial integro-differential equations, then Crank-Nicolson orthogonal spline collocation method with WSGI approximation is developed. The proposed method holds a higher convergence order than the convergence order $O(\tau^{3-\alpha})$ of general $L_1$ approximation. The stability and convergence analysis are derived. Some numerical examples are also given to confirm our theoretical analysis.

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