# THE METHODS OF FRACTIONAL BACKWARD DIFFERENTIATION FORMULAS FOR SOLVING TWO-TERM FRACTIONAL DIFFERENTIAL SYLVESTER MATRIX EQUATIONS 

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#### Abstract

In this paper, we present the fractional backward differentiation formulas for the numerical solutions of two-term fractional differential Sylvester matrix equations in the Caputo derivative sense, which includes the celebrated two-term fractional differential Lyapunov matrix equations. We give two applications in a two-term time-fractional telegraph equation with illustrative examples. In addition, we also consider two examples to illustrate the effectiveness of the proposed approaches.


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## 1. Introduction

The fractional derivatives (FD), which acted as a generalization of classical derivatives and dated back to the 17th century, recently gained great interest due to their wide real-world applications, such as, psychology [2], epidemiology [27], biology [6], engineering [18, 20], economics [16], and so on [5, 26, 31]. There are several definitions for the FD. Two of them are the Caputo and Riemann-Liouville fractional operators $[2,3,6,8,15,16,18,20]$ which are employed in this work. The fractional differential Sylvester matrix equation (FSE) plays an important role in theory control, filter design theory, and model reduction; see, e.g., [1, 21, 22, 24, 28, 29, 30]. The methods of backward differentiation formulas (BDF) gained popularity due to their large absolute stability regions which made them competitive for the treatment of stiff problems [4]. In [9, 14], some authors proposed a method of fractional backward differentiation formulas (FBDF) for solving FDE with delay. In [23], the author proposed the FBDF method for solving the two-term FSE; see [23] for more details.

In this paper, we present the FBDF method order $r \in\{2,3\}$ to solve two-term FSE's and twoterm fractional differential Lyapunov matrix equations (FLE's). Let $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^{+}$and $n_{\alpha}, n_{\beta} \in \mathbb{N}^{*}$ such that $n_{\alpha}-1<\alpha<n_{\alpha}$ and $n_{\beta}-1<\beta<n_{\beta}$. We consider the two-term FSE on the interval

[^0]$\left[t_{0}, T\right]$ of the form
\[

\left\{$$
\begin{array}{l}
P^{(\alpha)}(t)+P^{(\beta)}(t)=A(t) P(t)+P(t) C(t)+Q(t),  \tag{1.1}\\
P^{(k)}\left(t_{0}\right)=P_{k}, k \in\left\{0,1, \ldots, \max \left\{n_{\beta}, n_{\alpha}\right\}-1\right\},
\end{array}
$$\right.
\]

where $C(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times p}, A(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}, Q(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}, P(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$ is unknown matrix function, and $P^{(\alpha)}(t)$ and $P^{(\beta)}(t)$ are the Caputo derivative (CD) of the matrix function $P(t)$ with order $\alpha$ and $\beta$, respectively. In particular,

- If $\alpha=1$ and $\beta=1$, then the two-term FSE is called the differential Sylvester matrix equation (see [21]).
- If $C(t)=A^{T}(t)\left(A^{T}\right.$ denotes the transpose of the matrix $\left.A\right)$, then the two-term FSE is called the two-term FLE.

This paper is organized in this form. In Section 2, we present basic concepts, which are needed in the following sections. We discuss the FBDF method order $r$ for solving the twoterm FSE in Section 3. In Sections 4 and 5, we develop the FBDF method order 2 and 3, respectively, for solving the two-term FSE's. In Section 6, we study the error analysis and the convergence. Finally, Section 7 is devoted to numerical experiments for demonstrating the effectiveness of the proposed methods.

## 2. BASIC CONCEPTS

This section provides some important definitions that are useful in obtaining our findings.
Let $\beta \in \mathbb{R}^{+}$and $n_{\beta} \in \mathbb{N}^{*}$ such that $n_{\beta}-1<\beta<n_{\beta}$. The Riemann-Liouville derivative (R-LD) and Caputo derivative of order $\beta$ for function $P(t)$ are defined by

$$
{ }_{t_{0}}^{\mathrm{RL}} D_{t}^{\beta} P(t):=\frac{1}{\Gamma\left(n_{\beta}-\beta\right)}\left(\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{~d} t}\right)^{n_{\beta}} \int_{t_{0}}^{t} \frac{P(\tau)}{(t-\tau)^{\beta-n_{\beta}+1}} \mathrm{~d} \tau
$$

and

$$
P^{(\beta)}(t):=\frac{1}{\Gamma\left(n_{\beta}-\beta\right)} \int_{t_{0}}^{t} \frac{P^{\left(n_{\beta}\right)}(\eta)}{(t-\eta)^{\beta-n_{\beta}+1}} \mathrm{~d} \eta
$$

respectively, where the Euler's gamma function $\Gamma] 0,+\infty[\longmapsto \mathbb{R}$ is defined by (see [19]),

$$
\Gamma(x):=\int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-t} t^{x-1} \mathrm{~d} t
$$

Lemma 2.1. [11] The relation between $C D$ and the $R-L D$ offunction $P(t)$ is

$$
\begin{equation*}
P^{(\beta)}(t)={ }_{t_{0}}^{\mathrm{RL}} D_{t}^{\beta}\left(P(t)-\sum_{k=0}^{n_{\beta}-1} \frac{P^{(k)}\left(t_{0}\right)}{k!}\left(t-t_{0}\right)^{k}\right) \tag{2.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $n_{\beta}-1<\beta<n_{\beta}$ with $n_{\beta} \in \mathbb{N}^{*}$.

## 3. FBDF Method Order $r$

In this section, we present the FBDF method order $r$ for solving the two-term FSE. From the relation (2.1) at $t=t_{j}$, we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
P^{(\alpha)}\left(t_{j}\right) & ={ }_{t_{0}}^{\mathrm{RL}} D_{t}^{\alpha} P\left(t_{j}\right)-{ }_{t_{0}}^{R L} D_{t}^{\alpha}\left(\sum_{k=0}^{n_{\alpha}-1} \frac{P^{(k)}\left(t_{0}\right)}{k!}\left(t_{j}-t_{0}\right)^{k}\right) \\
& ={ }_{t_{0}}^{\mathrm{RL}} D_{t}^{\alpha} P\left(t_{j}\right)-\sum_{k=0}^{n_{\alpha}-1} \frac{P^{(k)}\left(t_{0}\right)}{\Gamma(k-\alpha+1)}\left(t_{j}-t_{0}\right)^{k-\alpha}
\end{aligned}
$$

where $N \in \mathbb{N}^{*}$, step size $h=\frac{T-t_{0}}{N}$, and

$$
P^{(\beta)}\left(t_{j}\right)={ }_{t_{0}}^{\mathrm{RL}} D_{t}^{\beta} P\left(t_{j}\right)-\sum_{k=0}^{n_{\beta}-1} \frac{P^{(k)}\left(t_{0}\right)}{\Gamma(k-\beta+1)}\left(t_{j}-t_{0}\right)^{k-\beta}
$$

with $t_{j}=t_{0}+j h$ for $j=0,1, \ldots, N$. From (1.1), we obtain the matrix equation

$$
\begin{aligned}
{ }_{t_{0} \mathrm{LL}}^{\mathrm{R}} D_{t}^{\alpha} P\left(t_{j}\right)- & \sum_{k=0}^{n_{\alpha}-1} \frac{P^{(k)}\left(t_{0}\right)}{\Gamma(k-\alpha+1)}(j h)^{k-\alpha}+{ }_{t_{0}}^{\mathrm{RL}} D_{t}^{\beta} P\left(t_{j}\right) \\
& -\sum_{k=0}^{n_{\beta}-1} \frac{P^{(k)}\left(t_{0}\right)}{\Gamma(k-\beta+1)}(j h)^{k-\beta}=A\left(t_{j}\right) P\left(t_{j}\right)+P\left(t_{j}\right) C\left(t_{j}\right)+Q\left(t_{j}\right) .
\end{aligned}
$$

The Grünwald approximation ([19]) of ${ }_{t_{0}}^{\mathrm{RL}} D_{t}^{\alpha} P\left(t_{j}\right)$ and $t_{t_{0}}^{\mathrm{RL}} D_{t}^{\beta} P\left(t_{j}\right)$ at $t_{j}$ are

$$
\begin{aligned}
& { }_{t_{0}}^{\mathrm{RL}} D_{t}^{\alpha} P\left(t_{j}\right)=h^{-\alpha} \sum_{k=0}^{j} \varpi_{k, \alpha}^{r} P\left(t_{j}-k h\right), \\
& { }_{t_{0}}^{\mathrm{RL}} D_{t}^{\beta} P\left(t_{j}\right)=h^{-\beta} \sum_{k=0}^{j} \varpi_{k, \beta}^{r} P\left(t_{j}-k h\right),
\end{aligned}
$$

where $\varpi_{k,}^{r}$. is determined by the generating function $W_{\beta}^{r}$ for FBDF method order $r$

$$
\begin{equation*}
W_{\beta}^{r}(\xi)=\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \varpi_{k, \beta}^{r} \xi^{k} \tag{3.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

The generating functions for FBDF of order $r \in\{2,3\}$ are given below ([14])

$$
\begin{align*}
W_{\beta}^{2}(\xi) & :=\left(\frac{3}{2}-2 \xi+\frac{1}{2} \xi^{2}\right)^{\beta}  \tag{3.2}\\
W_{\beta}^{3}(\xi) & :=\left(\frac{6}{11}-3 \xi+\frac{3}{2} \xi^{2}-\frac{1}{3} \xi^{3}\right)^{\beta} \tag{3.3}
\end{align*}
$$

It follows that

$$
\begin{aligned}
h^{-\alpha} \sum_{k=0}^{j} \varpi_{k, \alpha}^{r} P\left(t_{j}-k h\right)- & \sum_{m=0}^{n_{\alpha}-1} \frac{P^{(m)}\left(t_{0}\right)}{\Gamma(m-\alpha+1)}(j h)^{m-\alpha} \\
& +h^{-\beta} \sum_{k=0}^{j} \varpi_{k, \beta}^{r} P\left(t_{j}-k h\right)-\sum_{m=0}^{n_{\beta}-1} \frac{P^{(m)}\left(t_{0}\right)}{\Gamma(m-\beta+1)}(j h)^{m-\beta} \\
= & A\left(t_{j}\right) P\left(t_{j}\right)+P\left(t_{j}\right) C\left(t_{j}\right)+Q\left(t_{j}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

Let $n_{1}:=\min \left\{n_{\alpha}, n_{\beta}\right\}$ and $n_{2}:=\max \left\{n_{\alpha}, n_{\beta}\right\}$. Thus

$$
\begin{aligned}
h^{-\alpha} \sum_{k=0}^{j} \varpi_{k, \alpha}^{r} P\left(t_{j}-k h\right)- & \sum_{m=0}^{n_{1}-1}\left(\frac{(j h)^{m-\alpha}}{\Gamma(m-\alpha+1)}+\frac{(j h)^{m-\beta}}{\Gamma(m-\beta+1)}\right) P^{(m)}\left(t_{0}\right) \\
& +h^{-\beta} \sum_{k=0}^{j} \varpi_{k, \beta}^{r} P\left(t_{j}-k h\right)-\sum_{m=n_{1}}^{n_{2}-1} \frac{(j h)^{m-\alpha}}{\Gamma\left(m-\alpha^{*}+1\right)} P^{(m)}\left(t_{0}\right) \\
= & A\left(t_{j}\right) P\left(t_{j}\right)+P\left(t_{j}\right) C\left(t_{j}\right)+Q\left(t_{j}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

where $\alpha^{*}=\alpha$ and $\beta$ whenever $n_{2}=n_{\alpha}$ and $n_{2}=n_{\beta}$, respectively. Thus

$$
\begin{aligned}
& h^{-\alpha} \sum_{k=0}^{j} \varpi_{k, \alpha}^{r} P_{j-k}+h^{-\beta} \sum_{k=0}^{j} \Phi_{k, \beta}^{r} P_{j-k}-\sum_{m=0}^{n_{1}-1} b_{j, m} P^{(m)}\left(t_{0}\right)-\sum_{m=n_{1}}^{n_{2}-1} c_{j, m} P^{(m)}\left(t_{0}\right) \\
&=A\left(t_{j}\right) P\left(t_{j}\right)+P\left(t_{j}\right) C\left(t_{j}\right)+Q\left(t_{j}\right), \quad j=i+1, i+2, \ldots
\end{aligned}
$$

where $P_{j-k}=P\left(t_{j}-k h\right)$ and

$$
b_{j, m}:=\frac{(j h)^{m-\alpha}}{\Gamma(m-\alpha+1)}+\frac{(j h)^{m-\beta}}{\Gamma(m-\beta+1)}, \quad c_{j, m}:=\frac{(j h)^{m-\alpha}}{\Gamma\left(m-\alpha^{*}+1\right)}
$$

It follows that

$$
\begin{align*}
\left(h^{-\alpha} \varpi_{0, \alpha}^{r}+h^{-\beta} \varpi_{0, \beta}^{r}\right) P_{i+1}+ & \sum_{k=1}^{i+1}\left(h^{-\alpha} \bar{\varpi}_{k, \alpha}^{r}+h^{-\beta} \varpi_{k, \beta}^{r}\right) P_{i+1-k} \\
= & \sum_{m=0}^{n_{1}-1} b_{i+1, m} P^{(m)}\left(t_{0}\right)+\sum_{m=n_{1}}^{n_{2}-1} c_{i+1, m} P^{(m)}\left(t_{0}\right) \\
& +A\left(t_{i+1}\right) P\left(t_{i+1}\right)+P\left(t_{i+1}\right) C\left(t_{i+1}\right)+Q\left(t_{i+1}\right) \tag{3.4}
\end{align*}
$$

where $\varpi_{k, \text {, }}^{r}$ is the coefficient of FBDF with order $r$. For calculating $\bar{\varpi}_{k, \text {, }}^{r}$ in (3.4), we need the following Lemma.

Lemma 3.1. [34] Let $\varphi(z):=1+\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_{k} z^{k}$.Then $(\varphi(z))^{\beta}=\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \omega_{k}^{(\beta)} z^{k}$, where the coefficients $\omega_{k}^{(\beta)}$ are recursively evaluated by

$$
\omega_{0}^{(\beta)}=1 \quad \omega_{k}^{(\beta)}=\sum_{j=1}^{k}\left(\frac{(\beta+1) j}{k}-1\right) a_{j} \omega_{k-j}^{(\beta)} .
$$

Next, we describe the steps for calculating the coefficients $\varpi_{k, \cdot}^{r}$.

Algorithm 1 Calculation of the coefficients $\varpi_{k, .}^{r}$.
(1) Let $W_{\beta}^{r}(z)=d^{\beta}(\varphi(z))^{\beta}$.
(2) From Lemma 3.1, we obtain

$$
W_{\beta}^{r}(z)=d^{\beta}\left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \omega_{k}^{(\beta)} z^{k}\right)
$$

(3) $\varpi_{k, \beta}^{r}=d^{\beta} \omega_{k}^{(\beta)}$, (by equation (3.1)).

## 4. FBDF Method Order 2

In this section, we apply the FBDF method of second order to solve the two-term FSE. Let the approximation $P_{i+1}$ of $P\left(t_{i+1}\right)$ obtained at step $i+1$ by FBDF method order 2. The next result shows that $P_{i+1}$ is the solution to a Sylvester matrix equation (SME).

Theorem 4.1. Let $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^{+}$and $n_{\alpha}, n_{\beta} \in \mathbb{N}^{*}$ such that $n_{\alpha}-1<\alpha<n_{\alpha}$ and $n_{\beta}-1<\beta<n_{\beta}$. Let $n_{1}:=\min \left\{n_{\alpha}, n_{\beta}\right\}$ and $n_{2}:=\max \left\{n_{\alpha}, n_{\beta}\right\}$. Let $P(t)$ be the solution to the FSE (1.1). Then the approximation $P_{i+1}$ of $P\left(t_{i+1}\right)$ satisfies the following SME:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathbb{M}_{i+1} P_{i+1}+P_{i+1} \mathbb{L}_{i+1}+\mathscr{E}_{i+1}=0 \tag{4.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
\begin{align*}
\mathbb{M}_{i+1} & =A\left(t_{i+1}\right)-\frac{1}{2}\left(h^{-\alpha} \varpi_{0, \alpha}^{2}+h^{-\beta} \varpi_{0, \beta}^{2}\right) I_{n \times n} \\
\mathbb{L}_{i+1} & =C\left(t_{i+1}\right)-\frac{1}{2}\left(h^{-\alpha} \varpi_{0, \alpha}^{2}+h^{-\beta} \varpi_{0, \beta}^{2}\right) I_{p \times p} \tag{4.2}
\end{align*}
$$

with $I_{n \times n}$ being $n \times n$ the identity matrix and

$$
\begin{align*}
\mathscr{E}_{i+1}= & Q\left(t_{i+1}\right)-\sum_{k=1}^{i+1}\left(h^{-\alpha} \bar{\varpi}_{k, \alpha}^{2}+h^{-\beta} \varpi_{k, \beta}^{2}\right) P_{i+1-k} \\
& +\sum_{m=0}^{n_{1}-1} b_{i+1, m} P^{(m)}\left(t_{0}\right)+\sum_{m=n_{1}}^{n_{2}-1} c_{i+1, m} P^{(m)}\left(t_{0}\right), \tag{4.3}
\end{align*}
$$

where $\Phi_{k, \alpha}^{r}$ and $\Phi_{k, \beta}^{r}$ are the coefficients of FBDF with order $r$.
Proof. At each $t_{i+1}$, let $P_{i+1}$ be of the approximation of $P\left(t_{i+1}\right)$, and FBDF with order 2 be defined as

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left(h^{-\alpha} \bar{\varpi}_{0, \alpha}^{r}+h^{-\beta} \bar{\varpi}_{0, \beta}^{r}\right) P_{i+1}+ & \sum_{k=1}^{i+1}\left(h^{-\alpha} \bar{\varpi}_{k, \alpha}^{r}+h^{-\beta} \bar{\varpi}_{k, \beta}^{r}\right) P_{i+1-k} \\
= & \sum_{m=0}^{n_{1}-1} b_{i+1, m} P^{(m)}\left(t_{0}\right)+\sum_{m=n_{1}}^{n_{2}-1} c_{i+1, m} P^{(m)}\left(t_{0}\right) \\
& +A\left(t_{i+1}\right) P\left(t_{i+1}\right)+P\left(t_{i+1}\right) C\left(t_{i+1}\right)+Q\left(t_{i+1}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

Therefore

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left(A\left(t_{i+1}\right)-\frac{1}{2}\left(h^{-\alpha} \varpi_{0, \alpha}^{2}+\right.\right. & \left.\left.h^{-\beta} \varpi_{0, \beta}^{2}\right) I_{n \times n}\right) P_{i+1}+P_{i+1}\left(C\left(t_{i+1}\right)\right. \\
& \left.-\frac{1}{2}\left(h^{-\alpha} \varpi_{0, \alpha}^{2}+h^{-\beta} \varpi_{0, \beta}^{2}\right) I_{p \times p}\right)+Q\left(t_{i+1}\right) \\
& -\sum_{k=1}^{i+1}\left(h^{-\alpha} \bar{\omega}_{k, \alpha}^{2}+h^{-\beta} \varpi_{k, \beta}^{2}\right) P_{i+1-k} \\
& +\sum_{m=0}^{n_{1}-1} b_{i+1, m} P^{(m)}\left(t_{0}\right)+\sum_{m=n_{1}}^{n_{2}-1} c_{i+1, m} P^{(m)}\left(t_{0}\right)=0 .
\end{aligned}
$$

We find the following SME $\mathbb{M}_{i+1} P_{i+1}+P_{i+1} \mathbb{L}_{i+1}+\mathscr{E}_{i+1}=0$.
We can directly compute the SME (4.1) by using the well-known function sylvester in MATLAB. Then, we give the Algorithm 1 of $\varpi_{k}^{2}$ in (4.2) and (4.3), we can give an explicit representation of the coefficients of FBDF method order 2 in next Lemma 4.1.
Lemma 4.1. The coefficients of the FBDF method order 2 are obtained explicitly

$$
\varpi_{k, \beta}^{2}=\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{\beta} \omega_{k}^{(\beta)}, \quad k=0,1, \ldots
$$

where $\omega_{0}^{(\beta)}=1, \omega_{1}^{(\beta)}=-\frac{4}{3} \beta$, and

$$
\omega_{k}^{(\beta)}=\frac{4}{3}\left(1-\frac{\beta+1}{k}\right) \omega_{k-1}^{(\beta)}+\frac{1}{3}\left(\frac{2(1+\beta)}{k}-1\right) \omega_{k-2}^{(\beta)}, \quad k=2,3, \ldots
$$

Proof. From (3.2) and Algorithm 1, we can give the coefficients of the FBDF method order 2 immediately.
Corollary 4.1. Let $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^{+}$and $n_{\alpha}, n_{\beta} \in \mathbb{N}^{*}$ be such that $n_{\alpha}-1<\alpha<n_{\alpha}$ and $n_{\beta}-1<\beta<$ $n_{\beta}$. Let $n_{1}:=\min \left\{n_{\alpha}, n_{\beta}\right\}$ and $n_{2}:=\max \left\{n_{\alpha}, n_{\beta}\right\}$. Let $P(t)$ be the solution to the FLE:

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
P^{(\alpha)}(t)+P^{(\beta)}(t)=A(t) P(t)+P(t) A^{T}(t)+Q(t), \\
P^{(k)}\left(t_{0}\right)=P_{k}, k \in\left\{0,1, \ldots, n_{2}-1\right\} .
\end{array}\right.
$$

Then the approximation $P_{i+1}$ of $P\left(t_{i+1}\right)$ satisfies the following Lyapunov matrix equation (LME):

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathbb{M}_{i+1} P_{i+1}+P_{i+1} \mathbb{M}_{i+1}^{T}+\mathscr{E}_{i+1}=0 \tag{4.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
\mathbb{M}_{i+1}=A\left(t_{i+1}\right)-\frac{1}{2}\left(h^{-\alpha} \varpi_{0, \alpha}^{2}+h^{-\beta} \bar{\varpi}_{0, \beta}^{2}\right) I_{n \times n}
$$

and

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathscr{E}_{i+1}= & Q\left(t_{i+1}\right)-\sum_{k=1}^{i+1}\left(h^{-\alpha} \varpi_{k, \alpha}^{2}+h^{-\beta} \varpi_{k, \beta}^{2}\right) P_{i+1-k} \\
& +\sum_{m=0}^{n_{1}-1} b_{i+1, m} P^{(m)}\left(t_{0}\right)+\sum_{m=n_{1}}^{n_{2}-1} c_{i+1, m} P^{(m)}\left(t_{0}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

Note Theorem 4.1 for $C(t)=A^{T}(t)$. We can directly compute the LME (4.4) by using the well-known function lyap in MATLAB.

## 5. FBDF METHOD ORDER 3

In this section, we apply the FBDF method order 3 to solve the FSE. Let the approximation $P_{i+1}$ of $P\left(t_{i+1}\right)$ be obtained at step $i+1$. Theorem 5.1 shows that the matrix $P_{i+1}$ is the solution of a SME.

Theorem 5.1. Let $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^{+}$and $n_{\alpha}, n_{\beta} \in \mathbb{N}^{*}$ be such that $n_{\alpha}-1<\alpha<n_{\alpha}$ and $n_{\beta}-1<\beta<$ $n_{\beta}$. Let $n_{1}:=\min \left\{n_{\alpha}, n_{\beta}\right\}$ and $n_{2}:=\max \left\{n_{\alpha}, n_{\beta}\right\}$. Let $P(t)$ be the solution to the FSE (1.1). Then the approximation $P_{i+1}$ of $P\left(t_{i+1}\right)$ satisfies the following SME:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathbb{M}_{i+1} P_{i+1}+P_{i+1} \mathbb{L}_{i+1}+\mathscr{E}_{i+1}=0 \tag{5.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
\left\{\begin{align*}
\mathbb{M}_{i+1} & =A\left(t_{i+1}\right)-\frac{1}{2}\left(h^{-\alpha} \varpi_{0, \alpha}^{2}+h^{-\beta} \varpi_{0, \beta}^{2}\right) I_{n \times n},  \tag{5.2}\\
\mathbb{L}_{i+1} & =C\left(t_{i+1}\right)-\frac{1}{2}\left(h^{-\alpha} \varpi_{0, \alpha}^{2}+h^{-\beta} \varpi_{0, \beta}^{2}\right) I_{p \times p}, \\
\mathscr{E}_{i+1} & =Q\left(t_{i+1}\right)-\sum_{k=1}^{i+1}\left(h^{-\alpha} \varpi_{k, \alpha}^{2}+h^{-\beta} \varpi_{k, \beta}^{2}\right) P_{i+1-k} \\
& +\sum_{m=0}^{n_{1}-1} b_{i+1, m} P^{(m)}\left(t_{0}\right)+\sum_{m=n_{1}}^{n_{2}-1} c_{i+1, m} P^{(m)}\left(t_{0}\right),
\end{align*}\right.
$$

with the coefficients of FBDF method order 3 being obtained explicitly

$$
\begin{equation*}
\bar{\omega}_{k, \gamma}^{3}=\left(\frac{11}{6}\right)^{\gamma} \omega_{k}^{(\gamma)}, \quad k=0,1, \ldots \tag{5.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
\omega_{0}^{(\gamma)}=1  \tag{5.4}\\
\omega_{1}^{(\gamma)}=-\frac{18}{11} \gamma, \\
\omega_{2}^{(\gamma)}=\frac{9}{11} \gamma+\left(\frac{18}{11}\right)^{2} \frac{\gamma(\gamma-1)}{2}, \\
\omega_{k}^{(\gamma)}=\frac{18}{11}\left(1-\frac{\gamma+1}{k}\right) \omega_{k-1}^{(\gamma)}+\frac{9}{11}\left(\frac{2(1+\gamma)}{k}-1\right) \omega_{k-2}^{(\gamma)} \\
\quad+\frac{2}{11}\left(1-\frac{3(\gamma+1)}{k}\right) \omega_{k-3}^{(\gamma)}, \quad k=3,4, \ldots
\end{array}\right.
$$

with $\gamma \in\{\alpha, \beta\}$.
Proof. In order to prove (5.1), we follow the proof of (4.1) in Theorem 4.1. For the coefficients of FBDF method order 3 in (5.3) and (5.4), the generating function of FBDF method order 3 is (3.3). Applying Algorithm 1, we can give an explicit representation of the coefficients of FBDF method order 3. Hence, the coefficients of the FBDF method order 3 are obtained explicitly by

$$
\varpi_{k, \gamma}^{3}=\left(\frac{11}{6}\right)^{\gamma} \omega_{k}^{(\gamma)}, \quad k=0,1, \ldots
$$

where $\omega_{0}^{(\gamma)}=1, \omega_{1}^{(\gamma)}=-\frac{18}{11} \gamma$,

$$
\begin{aligned}
\omega_{2}^{(\gamma)}= & \frac{9}{11} \gamma+\left(\frac{18}{11}\right)^{2} \frac{\gamma(\gamma-1)}{2} \\
\omega_{k}^{(\gamma)}= & \frac{18}{11}\left(1-\frac{\gamma+1}{k}\right) \omega_{k-1}^{(\gamma)}+\frac{9}{11}\left(\frac{2(1+\gamma)}{k}-1\right) \omega_{k-2}^{(\gamma)} \\
& +\frac{2}{11}\left(1-\frac{3(\gamma+1)}{k}\right) \omega_{k-3}^{(\gamma)},
\end{aligned}
$$

for $k=3,4, \ldots$.
Corollary 5.1. Let $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^{+}$and $n_{\alpha}, n_{\beta} \in \mathbb{N}^{*}$ be such that $n_{\alpha}-1<\alpha<n_{\alpha}$ and $n_{\beta}-1<\beta<$ $n_{\beta}$. Let $n_{1}:=\min \left\{n_{\alpha}, n_{\beta}\right\}$ and $n_{2}:=\max \left\{n_{\alpha}, n_{\beta}\right\}$. Let $P(t)$ be the solution to the FLE. Then the approximation $P_{i+1}$ of $P\left(t_{i+1}\right)$ satisfies the following LME:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathbb{M}_{i+1} P_{i+1}+P_{i+1} \mathbb{M}_{i+1}^{T}+\mathscr{E}_{i+1}=0 \tag{5.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
\mathbb{M}_{i+1}=A\left(t_{i+1}\right)-\frac{1}{2}\left(h^{-\alpha} \varpi_{0, \alpha}^{2}+h^{-\beta} \varpi_{0, \beta}^{2}\right) I_{n \times n}
$$

and

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathscr{E}_{i+1}= & Q\left(t_{i+1}\right)-\sum_{k=1}^{i+1}\left(h^{-\alpha} \varpi_{k, \alpha}^{2}+h^{-\beta} \bar{\varpi}_{k, \beta}^{2}\right) P_{i+1-k} \\
& +\sum_{m=0}^{n_{1}-1} b_{i+1, m} P^{(m)}\left(t_{0}\right)+\sum_{m=n_{1}}^{n_{2}-1} c_{i+1, m} P^{(m)}\left(t_{0}\right) .
\end{aligned}
$$

From the Theorem 5.1 with $C(t)=A^{T}(t)$, we have the desired result immediately.
Next, we summarize the steps of the FBDF method order $r$ for solving the two-term FSE.

## Algorithm 2 The FBDF method order $r$ for solving the two-term FSE

Inputs: $A(t), C(t), Q(t), P^{(k)}$ for $k=0, \ldots, n_{2}-1$, and $t_{0}, T$.
(1) Choose $h$.
(2) $N=\frac{T-t_{0}}{h}$.
(3) For $i=1: N$, compute:
(4) $\varpi_{k, \alpha}^{r}$ and $\varpi_{k, \beta}^{r}$,
(5) $\mathbb{M}_{i+1}=A\left(t_{i+1}\right)-\frac{1}{2}\left(h^{-\alpha} \varpi_{0, \alpha}^{2}+h^{-\beta} \varpi_{0, \beta}^{2}\right) I_{n \times n}$,
(6) $\mathbb{L}_{i+1}=A\left(t_{i+1}\right)-\frac{1}{2}\left(h^{-\alpha} \varpi_{0, \alpha}^{2}+h^{-\beta} \varpi_{0, \beta}^{2}\right) I_{p \times p}$,
(7)

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathscr{E}_{i+1}= & Q\left(t_{i+1}\right)-\sum_{k=1}^{i+1}\left(h^{-\alpha} \varpi_{k, \alpha}^{2}+h^{-\beta} \bar{\varpi}_{k, \beta}^{2}\right) P_{i+1-k} \\
& +\sum_{m=0}^{n_{1}-1} b_{i+1, m} P^{(m)}\left(t_{0}\right)+\sum_{m=n_{1}}^{n_{2}-1} c_{i+1, m} P^{(m)}\left(t_{0}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

(8) Solve the SME $\mathbb{M}_{i+1} P_{i+1}+P_{i+1} \mathbb{L}_{i+1}+\mathscr{E}_{i+1}=0$.
(9) End for $i$.

Next, we summarize the steps of the FBDF method order $r$ for solving the two-term FLE.

## Algorithm 3 The FBDF method order $r$ to solve the two-term FLE

Inputs: $A(t), Q(t), P^{(k)}$ for $k=0, \ldots, n_{2}-1$, and $t_{0}, T$.
(1) Choose $h$.
(2) $N=\frac{T-t_{0}}{h}$.
(3) For $i=1: N$, compute:
(4) $\varpi_{k, \alpha}^{r}$ and $\varpi_{k, \beta}^{r}$,
(5) $\mathbb{M}_{i+1}=A\left(t_{i+1}\right)-\frac{1}{2}\left(h^{-\alpha} \varpi_{0, \alpha}^{2}+h^{-\beta} \bar{\varpi}_{0, \beta}^{2}\right) I_{n \times n}$,
(6)

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathscr{E}_{i+1}= & Q\left(t_{i+1}\right)-\sum_{k=1}^{i+1}\left(h^{-\alpha} \varpi_{k, \alpha}^{2}+h^{-\beta} \varpi_{k, \beta}^{2}\right) P_{i+1-k} \\
& +\sum_{m=0}^{n_{1}-1} b_{i+1, m} P^{(m)}\left(t_{0}\right)+\sum_{m=n_{1}}^{n_{2}-1} c_{i+1, m} P^{(m)}\left(t_{0}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

(7) Solve the LME $\mathbb{M}_{i+1} P_{i+1}+P_{i+1} \mathbb{M}_{i+1}^{T}+\mathscr{E}_{i+1}=0$.
(8) End for $i$.

## 6. The Error Analysis

In this section, we present the error analysis of the error analysis for FBDF method order $r$. We consider the error $e_{j}=P\left(t_{j}\right)-P_{j}$ between the exact solution $P\left(t_{j}\right)$ and the numerical solution $P_{j}$.

Lemma 6.1. $[12,13,14]$ Let $\beta \in \mathbb{R}^{+}$. Then

$$
\begin{equation*}
h^{-\beta} \sum_{k=0}^{j} \varpi_{k}^{r} P\left(t_{j-k}\right)-\sum_{m=0}^{n_{\beta}-1} b_{j, m} P^{(m)}\left(t_{0}\right)-P^{(\beta)}(t)=O\left(h^{r}\right), \tag{6.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

and $\bar{\varpi}_{k}^{r}=O\left(j^{-\beta-1}\right)$.
Lemma 6.2. [12] Let $M_{1}, M_{2}>0$ and $\left\{\lambda_{i}\right\}$ satisfy

$$
\left|\lambda_{l}\right| \leq M_{1}+M_{2} h \sum_{i=0}^{l-1}\left|\lambda_{i}\right|, \quad l=k, k+1, \ldots, l h \leq T
$$

Then $\left|\lambda_{l}\right| \leq e^{M_{1} T}\left(M_{1}+M_{2} k h \delta\right)$, for $l \geq k, l h \leq T$, where $\delta=\max \left\{\left|\lambda_{0}\right|,\left|\lambda_{1}\right|, \ldots,\left|\lambda_{k-1}\right|\right\}$.
Lemma 6.3. Let the matrix function $F$, where $F(P)=A(t) P+P C(t)+Q(t)$. Then

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left\|F\left(P_{1}\right)-F\left(P_{2}\right)\right\| \leq L\left\|P_{1}-P_{2}\right\|, \quad \forall P_{1}, P_{2} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p} \tag{6.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
M=\max _{\varsigma \in\left[t_{0}, T\right]}\|A(\varsigma)\|+\max _{\varsigma \in\left[t_{0}, T\right]}\|C(\varsigma)\| .
$$

Proof. Letting $P_{1}, P_{2} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$, we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
F\left(P_{1}\right)-F\left(P_{2}\right) & =A(t) P_{1}+P_{1} C(t)+Q(t)-\left(A(t) P_{2}+P_{2} C(t)+Q(t)\right) \\
& =A(t)\left(P_{1}-P_{2}\right)+\left(P_{1}-P_{2}\right) C(t)
\end{aligned}
$$

so

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left\|F\left(P_{1}\right)-F\left(P_{2}\right)\right\| & \leq \max _{\eta \in\left[t_{0}, T\right]}\|A(\eta)\|\left\|P_{1}-P_{2}\right\|+\max _{\eta \in\left[t_{0}, T\right]}\|C(\eta)\|\left\|P_{1}-P_{2}\right\| \\
& \leq\left(\max _{\eta \in\left[t_{0}, T\right]}\|A(\eta)\|+\max _{\eta \in\left[t_{0}, T\right]}\|C(\eta)\|\right)\left\|P_{1}-P_{2}\right\| .
\end{aligned}
$$

Theorem 6.1. Let $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^{+}$and $n_{\alpha}, n_{\beta} \in \mathbb{N}^{*}$ be such that $n_{\alpha}-1<\alpha<n_{\alpha}$ and $n_{\beta}-1<\beta<$ $n_{\beta}$. Let the following two-term FSE be given

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
P^{(\alpha)}(t)+P^{(\beta)}(t)=A(t) P(t)+P(t) C(t)+Q(t)  \tag{6.3}\\
P^{(k)}\left(t_{0}\right)=P_{k}, k \in\left\{0,1, \ldots, \max \left\{n_{\beta}, n_{\alpha}\right\}-1\right\}
\end{array}\right.
$$

Then, the FBDF method order $r$ is convergent, and $\left\|e_{j}\right\|=O\left(h^{r}\right)$.
Proof. From (6.3) and (6.1) in Lemma 6.1, we have

$$
\begin{array}{r}
h^{-\alpha} \sum_{k=0}^{j} \varpi_{k, \alpha}^{r} P\left(t_{j-k}\right)+ \\
h^{-\beta} \sum_{k=0}^{j} \varpi_{k, \beta}^{r} P\left(t_{j-k}\right)-\sum_{m=0}^{n_{1}-1} b_{i+1, m} P^{(m)}\left(t_{0}\right) \\
- \\
-\sum_{m=n_{1}}^{n_{2}-1} c_{i+1, m} P^{(m)}\left(t_{0}\right)-C_{j} h^{r}=F\left(P\left(t_{j}\right)\right) .
\end{array}
$$

In view of (3.4), we obtain

$$
\begin{gathered}
h^{-\alpha} \sum_{k=0}^{j} \varpi_{k, \alpha}^{r} P_{j-k}+h^{-\beta} \sum_{k=0}^{j} \varpi_{k, \beta}^{r} P_{j-k}-\sum_{m=0}^{n_{1}-1} b_{i+1, m} P^{(m)}\left(t_{0}\right) \\
-\sum_{m=n_{1}}^{n_{2}-1} c_{i+1, m} P^{(m)}\left(t_{0}\right)=F\left(P_{j}\right)
\end{gathered}
$$

for $j=i+1, i+2, \ldots,$. Observe that

$$
b_{j} e_{0}-h^{-\alpha} \sum_{k=0}^{j} \varpi_{k, \alpha}^{r} e_{j-k}-h^{-\beta} \sum_{k=0}^{j} \varpi_{k, \beta}^{r} e_{j-k}+C_{j} h^{r}=-\left(F\left(P\left(t_{j}\right)\right)-F\left(P_{j}\right)\right) .
$$

It follows that

$$
\begin{aligned}
b_{j} e_{0}-h^{-\alpha} \varpi_{0, \alpha}^{r} e_{j}- & h^{-\beta} \varpi_{0, \beta}^{r} e_{j}-h^{-\alpha} \bar{\varpi}_{j, \alpha}^{r} e_{0}-h^{-\beta} \bar{\varpi}_{j, \beta}^{r} e_{0} \\
& -h^{-\alpha} \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} \varpi_{k, \alpha}^{r} e_{j-k}-h^{-\beta} \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} \bar{\varpi}_{k, \beta}^{r} e_{j-k}+C_{j} h^{r} \\
= & -\left(F\left(P\left(t_{j}\right)\right)-F\left(P_{j}\right)\right) .
\end{aligned}
$$

Hence, we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left(h^{-\alpha} \varpi_{0, \alpha}^{r}+h^{-\beta} \bar{\varpi}_{0, \beta}^{r}\right) e_{j}= & -\left(h^{-\alpha} \varpi_{j, \alpha}^{r}+h^{-\beta} \varpi_{j, \beta}^{r}-b_{j}\right) e_{0} \\
& -\sum_{k=1}^{j-1}\left(h^{-\alpha} \varpi_{k, \alpha}^{r}+h^{-\beta} \varpi_{k, \beta}^{r}\right) e_{j-k} \\
& +C_{j} h^{r}+\left(F\left(P\left(t_{j}\right)\right)-F\left(P_{j}\right)\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

and

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left(h^{-\alpha} \varpi_{0, \alpha}^{r}+h^{-\beta} \varpi_{0, \beta}^{r}\right)\left\|e_{j}\right\| \leq & \left|h^{-\alpha} \varpi_{j, \alpha}^{r}+h^{-\beta} \varpi_{j, \beta}^{r}-b_{j}\right|\left\|e_{0}\right\| \\
& +\sum_{k=1}^{j-1}\left(h^{-\alpha} \varpi_{k, \alpha}^{r}+h^{-\beta} \varpi_{k, \beta}^{r}\right)\left\|e_{j-k}\right\| \\
& +\left\|C_{j}\right\| h^{r}+\left\|F\left(P\left(t_{j}\right)\right)-F\left(P_{j}\right)\right\| .
\end{aligned}
$$

Letting $\left\|C_{j}\right\| \leq K$ for any $j$ and using inequality (6.2), we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left(h^{-\alpha} \varpi_{0, \alpha}^{r}+h^{-\beta} \varpi_{0, \beta}^{r}\right)\left\|e_{j}\right\| \leq & \left|h^{-\alpha} \varpi_{j, \alpha}^{r}+h^{-\beta} \varpi_{j, \beta}^{r}-b_{j}\right|\left\|e_{0}\right\| \\
& +\sum_{k=1}^{j-1}\left(h^{-\alpha} \bar{\varpi}_{k, \alpha}^{r}+h^{-\beta} \bar{\varpi}_{k, \beta}^{r}\right)\left\|e_{j-k}\right\|+K h^{r}+M\left\|e_{j}\right\| .
\end{aligned}
$$

Now, we estimate $e_{j}$. Observe that

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left\|e_{j}\right\| \leq & \frac{K h^{r}}{h^{-\alpha} \varpi_{0, \alpha}^{r}+h^{-\beta} \varpi_{0, \beta}^{r}-M}+\sum_{k=1}^{j-1} \frac{\left(h^{-\alpha} \varpi_{k, \alpha}^{r}+h^{-\beta} \varpi_{k, \beta}^{r}\right)}{h^{-\alpha} \varpi_{0, \alpha}^{r}+h^{-\beta} \varpi_{0, \beta}^{r}-M}\left\|e_{j-k}\right\| \\
& +\frac{\left|h^{-\alpha} \varpi_{j, \alpha}^{r}+h^{-\beta} \varpi_{j, \beta}^{r}-b_{j}\right|}{h^{-\alpha} \varpi_{0, \alpha}^{r}+h^{-\beta} \varpi_{0, \beta}^{r}-M}\left\|e_{0}\right\| .
\end{aligned}
$$

It follows that

$$
\left\|e_{j}\right\| \leq \frac{K h^{r}}{h^{-\alpha} \bar{\varpi}_{0, \alpha}^{r}+h^{-\beta} \varpi_{0, \beta}^{r}-M}+\sum_{k=0}^{j-1} \rho_{k}\left\|e_{j-k}\right\|,
$$

where

$$
\rho_{k}=\max \left\{\frac{\left(h^{-\alpha} \bar{\varpi}_{k, \alpha}^{r}+h^{-\beta} \bar{\varpi}_{k, \beta}^{r}\right)}{h^{-\alpha} \varpi_{0, \alpha}^{r}+h^{-\beta} \varpi_{0, \beta}^{r}-M}, \frac{\left|h^{-\alpha} \bar{\varpi}_{j, \alpha}^{r}+h^{-\beta} \bar{\varpi}_{j, \beta}^{r}-b_{j}\right|}{h^{-\alpha} \varpi_{0, \alpha}^{r}+h^{-\beta} \varpi_{0, \beta}^{r}-M}\right\}
$$

Thus $\left\|e_{j}\right\| \leq \hat{K} h^{r}+\sum_{k=0}^{j-1} \rho_{k}\left\|e_{j-k}\right\|$. Using Lemma 6.2, we can prove that $e_{j}=O\left(h^{r}\right)$.

## 7. Numerical Illustrations

In this section, four examples are considered ( $[7,10,17,32,33]$ ) to illustrate the effectiveness of the approaches using MATLAB software.
Example 7.1. Consider the following two-term FSE:

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
\left.\left.P^{(\alpha)}(t)+P^{(\beta)}(t)=A(t) P(t)+P(t) C(t)+Q(t), \quad \alpha, \beta \in\right] 0,1\right]  \tag{7.1}\\
P(0)=P_{0}
\end{array}\right.
$$

with

$$
A(t)=\left(\begin{array}{cc}
0 & -t \\
1 & t
\end{array}\right), \quad C(t)=\left(\begin{array}{ll}
0 & 0 \\
t & 1
\end{array}\right), \quad P_{0}=\left(\begin{array}{ll}
0 & 0 \\
0 & 0
\end{array}\right)
$$

and

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
Q_{11}(t)=\frac{\Gamma(6 \beta+1)}{\Gamma(6 \beta+1-\alpha)} t^{6 \beta-\alpha}-\frac{\Gamma(5)}{\Gamma(5-\alpha)} t^{4-\alpha}+\frac{\Gamma(6 \beta+1)}{\Gamma(5 \beta+1)} t^{5 \beta} \\
\quad-\frac{\Gamma(5)}{\Gamma(5-\beta)} t^{4-\beta}-t^{3}+t^{2}, \\
Q_{12}(t)=\frac{\Gamma(3)}{\Gamma(3-\alpha)} t^{2-\alpha}-\frac{\Gamma(2)}{\Gamma(2-\alpha)} t^{1-\alpha}+\frac{\Gamma(3)}{\Gamma(3-\beta)} t^{2-\beta} \\
\quad-\frac{\Gamma(2)}{\Gamma(2-\beta)} t^{1-\beta}+t^{3 \beta+1}-t^{4}-t^{2}+t, \\
Q_{21}(t)=-t^{6 \beta}+2 t^{4}+t^{3 \beta+1}, \\
Q_{22}(t)=\frac{\Gamma(3 \beta+1)}{\Gamma(3 \beta+1-\alpha)} t^{3 \beta-\alpha}-\frac{\Gamma(4)}{\Gamma(4-\alpha)} t^{3-\alpha}+\frac{\Gamma(3 \beta+1)}{\Gamma(2 \beta+1)} t^{2 \beta} \\
\quad-\frac{\Gamma(4)}{\Gamma(4-\beta)} t^{3-\beta},-t^{3 \beta+1}-t^{3 \beta}+t^{4}+t^{3}-t^{2}+t
\end{array}\right.
$$

The exact solution of Eq. (7.1) is

$$
P(t)=\left(\begin{array}{cc}
t^{6 \beta}-t^{4} & t^{2}-t \\
0 & t^{3 \beta}-t^{3}
\end{array}\right)
$$

In Figure 1, the solutions $P_{11}(t), P_{21}(t)$, and $P_{22}(t)$ of FSE (7.1) for $\alpha=0.7$ and $\beta=0.3$ using the FBDF method order 2 (FBDF2) and FBDF method order 3 (FBDF3) for $t \in[0,1]$. In Table 1,


Figure 1. The numerical solutions $P_{11}(t), P_{21}(t)$ and $P_{22}(t)$ of FSE (7.1) for $\alpha=0.7, \beta=0.3$ and $h=0.001$.
a comparison of the absolute errors at some selected points with $h=0.001$ are shown.

TABLE 1. Absolute errors at some selected points with $h=0.001$.

| $t$ | FBDF2 method | FBDF3 method |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0.2 | $9.41381 e-05$ | $9.35997 e-05$ |
| 0.4 | $8.06323 e-05$ | $7.99089 e-05$ |
| 0.6 | $7.97658 e-05$ | $7.87751 e-05$ |
| 0.8 | $8.48741 e-05$ | $8.35704 e-05$ |
| 1.0 | $9.46905 e-05$ | $9.30039 e-05$ |

Example 7.2. Consider the two-term FLE:

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
\left.\left.\left.\left.P^{(\alpha)}(t)+P^{(\beta)}(t)=A(t) P(t)+P(t) A^{T}(t)+Q(t), \quad \alpha \in\right] 0,1\right], \beta \in\right] 1,2\right]  \tag{7.2}\\
P(0)=P^{(1)}(0)=P_{0}
\end{array}\right.
$$

with $A(t)=\left(\begin{array}{cc}0 & -t \\ t & 0\end{array}\right), P_{0}=\left(\begin{array}{ll}0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0\end{array}\right)$, and

$$
Q(t)=\left(\begin{array}{cc}
\frac{2}{\Gamma(3-\alpha)} t^{2-\alpha}+\frac{2}{\Gamma(3-\beta)} t^{2-\beta} & -t^{4}-t^{3} \\
-t^{3}-t^{4} & -\frac{6}{\Gamma(4-\alpha)} t^{3-\alpha}-\frac{6}{\Gamma(4-\beta)} t^{3-\beta}
\end{array}\right)
$$

The exact solution of Eq. (7.2) is

$$
P(t)=\left(\begin{array}{cc}
t^{2} & 0 \\
0 & -t^{3}
\end{array}\right)
$$

Figure 2 shows the solutions $P_{11}(t)$ and $P_{22}(t)$ by using methods of FBDF2, FBDF3 and exact solution in functions for $t \in[0,1]$, whenever $\alpha=0.7$ and $\beta=1.5$. In Table 2, we show a


Figure 2. 2D plots of solution $P_{11}(t)$ and $P_{22}(t)$ vs $t$ with $\alpha=0.7$ and $\beta=1.5$ and $h=0.001$.
comparison of the absolute errors at some selected points for $h=0.001$.

TABLE 2. Absolute errors at some selected points for $h=0.001$.

| $t$ | FBDF2 method | FBDF3 method |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0.1 | $3.79945 e-06$ | $4.70783 e-06$ |
| 0.2 | $5.28709 e-06$ | $6.12612 e-06$ |
| 0.3 | $6.20277 e-06$ | $6.97825 e-06$ |
| 0.4 | $6.83201 e-06$ | $7.54641 e-06$ |
| 0.5 | $7.28863 e-06$ | $7.94300 e-06$ |
| 0.6 | $7.63194 e-06$ | $8.22669 e-06$ |
| 0.8 | $8.10886 e-06$ | $8.58514 e-06$ |
| 1.0 | $8.43033 e-06$ | $8.79147 e-06$ |

Example 7.3. Consider the following time-fractional telegraph equation:

$$
\begin{align*}
\frac{\partial^{\beta} v(x, y, t)}{\partial t^{\beta}}+ & \frac{\partial^{\beta-1} v(x, y, t)}{\partial t^{\beta-1}}+v(x, y, t) \\
= & \Delta v(x, y, t)+\left(\frac{24 t^{-\beta}}{\Gamma(5-\beta)}+\frac{24 t^{1-\beta}}{\Gamma(6-\beta)}\right) t^{4} x y(1-x)(1-y) \\
& +2 x(1-x) t^{4}+2 y(1-y) t^{4}+x y(1-x)(1-y) t^{4} \tag{7.3}
\end{align*}
$$

with $\beta \in] 1,2]$, the board conditions $v(0, y, t)=v(1, y, t)=v(x, 0, t)=v(x, 1, t)=0$, and the initial conditions

$$
\frac{\partial v(x, y, 0)}{\partial t}=v(x, y, 0)=0
$$

where $(x, y) \in \Omega:=[0,1] \times[0,1]$ and $t \in[0,1]$. The exact solution of Eq. (7.3) is $v(x, y, t)=$ $x y(1-x)(1-y) t^{4}$. Let us discretize as follows: $\left(x_{i}, y_{j}\right)=\left(i h_{\Omega}, j h_{\Omega}\right)$ for $1 \leq i, j \leq n$ with $h_{\Omega}=\frac{1}{n+1}$. Let $P_{i j}(t)=v\left(x_{i}, y_{j}, t\right)$. Using the central difference discretization defined by:

$$
\begin{align*}
P_{i j}^{(\beta)}(t)+P_{i j}^{(\beta-1)}(t)= & \frac{P_{(i-1) j}(t)-2 P_{i j}(t)+P_{(i+1) j}(t)}{h_{\Omega}^{2}} \\
& +\frac{P_{i(j-1)}(t)-2 P_{i j}(t)+P_{i(j+1)}(t)}{h_{\Omega}^{2}}-P_{i j}(t)+Q_{i j}(t), \tag{7.4}
\end{align*}
$$

where

$$
\begin{aligned}
Q_{i j}(t)= & \left(\frac{24 t^{-\beta}}{\Gamma(5-\beta)}+\frac{24 t^{1-\beta}}{\Gamma(6-\beta)}\right) t^{4} x_{i} y_{j}\left(1-x_{i}\right)\left(1-y_{j}\right) \\
& +2 x\left(1-x_{i}\right) t^{4}+2 y_{j}\left(1-y_{j}\right) t^{4}+x_{i} y_{j}\left(1-x_{i}\right)\left(1-y_{j}\right) t^{4}
\end{aligned}
$$

we obtain from system (7.4) that

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
\left.\left.P^{(\beta)}(t)+P^{(\beta-1)}(t)=A P(t)+P(t) C+Q(t), \quad \beta \in\right] 1,2\right] \\
P(0)=P^{(1)}(0)=P_{0}
\end{array}\right.
$$

with

$$
A=\operatorname{tridiag}\left(\frac{1}{h_{\Omega}^{2}}, \frac{-2}{h_{\Omega}^{2}}, \frac{1}{h_{\Omega}^{2}}\right) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}, \quad C=\operatorname{tridiag}\left(\frac{1}{h_{\Omega}^{2}}, \frac{-2}{h_{\Omega}^{2}}-1, \frac{1}{h_{\Omega}^{2}}\right) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n},
$$

and $P_{0}=0$. In Figure 3, the solutions $v$ for Equation (7.3) using the FBDF2 method, FBDF3 method and exact solution at $t=1$ and in Figure 4, the solution $P_{11}(t)$ with $\beta=1.7, h=0.01$ and $n=200$, we can observe that the solutions are identical. We compare the results obtained


Figure 3. 3D plots of numerical and exact solutions at $t=1$ with $\beta=1.7$, $h=0.01$ and $n=200$.


Figure 4. 2D plot of numerical $P_{11}(t)$ and exact solutions for $\beta=1.7, h=0.01$ and $n=200$.
from the FBDF2 method and FBDF3 method. In Table 3, we give the obtained runtimes in seconds and the absolute error norms (Abs.error) at $t=1$, which is the difference between the exact solution and the approximated solution.

TABLE 3. The absolute error norms at $t=1$ and runtimes in seconds with $h=0.01$ and $\beta=1.7$.

|  | FBDF2 method |  |  | FBDF3 method |  |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| $n$ | CPU time | Abs.error |  | CPU time | Abs.error |
| 200 | 2.376019 | $6.1096 e-04$ |  | 1.736881 | $1.3292 e-06$ |
| 300 | 6.442860 | $9.1491 e-04$ |  | 4.575444 | $1.9905 e-06$ |
| 400 | 13.370125 | 0.0012 |  | 12.358612 | $2.6519 e-06$ |

Example 7.4. Consider the following time-fractional telegraph equation [17]:

$$
\begin{align*}
\frac{\partial^{\beta} v(x, y, t)}{\partial t^{\beta}}+ & \frac{\partial^{\beta-1} v(x, y, t)}{\partial t^{\beta-1}} \\
& =\Delta v(x, y, t)+\left(\frac{24 t^{-\beta}}{\Gamma(5-\beta)}\right. \\
& \left.+\frac{24 t^{1-\beta}}{\Gamma(6-\beta)}\right) t^{4} x y(1-x)(1-y)+2 x(1-x) t^{4}+2 y(1-y) t^{4} \tag{7.5}
\end{align*}
$$

where $(x, y) \in[0,1] \times[0,1], t \in[0,1], \beta \in] 1,2]$, the board conditions

$$
v(0, y, t)=v(1, y, t)=v(x, 0, t)=v(x, 1, t)=0
$$

and the initial conditions

$$
\frac{\partial v(x, y, 0)}{\partial t}=v(x, y, 0)=0
$$

The exact solution of Eq. (7.5) is $v(x, y, t)=x y(1-x)(1-y) t^{4}$. Let us discretize as follows: $\left(x_{i}, y_{j}\right)=\left(i h_{x}, j h_{y}\right)$ for $1 \leq i, j \leq n$ with $h_{x}=h_{y}=\frac{1}{n+1}$. Let $P_{i j}(t)=v\left(x_{i}, y_{j}, t\right)$. Using the central difference discretization defined by

$$
\begin{align*}
P_{i j}^{(\beta)}(t)+P_{i j}^{(\beta-1)}(t)= & \frac{P_{(i-1) j}(t)-2 P_{i j}(t)+P_{(i+1) j}(t)}{h_{x}^{2}} \\
& +\frac{P_{i(j-1)}(t)-2 P_{i j}(t)+P_{i(j+1)}(t)}{h_{x}^{2}}+Q_{i j}(t), \tag{7.6}
\end{align*}
$$

with

$$
\begin{aligned}
Q_{i j}(t)= & \left(\frac{24 t^{-\beta}}{\Gamma(5-\beta)}+\frac{24 t^{1-\beta}}{\Gamma(6-\beta)}\right) t^{4} x_{i} y_{j}\left(1-x_{i}\right)\left(1-y_{j}\right) \\
& +2 x\left(1-x_{i}\right) t^{4}+2 y_{j}\left(1-y_{j}\right) t^{4}+x_{i} y_{j}\left(1-x_{i}\right)\left(1-y_{j}\right) t^{4},
\end{aligned}
$$

we obtain from the system (7.6) that

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
\left.\left.P^{(\beta)}(t)+P^{(\beta-1)}(t)=A P(t)+P(t) A+Q(t), \quad \beta \in\right] 1,2\right] \\
P(0)=P^{(1)}(0)=P_{0},
\end{array}\right.
$$

where $A=\frac{1}{h_{x}^{2}} \operatorname{tridiag}(1,-2,1) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ and $P_{0}=0$. In Figure 5, the solutions $v(x, y, t)$ for Eq. (7.5) using new approaches and exact solution at $t=1$ and in Figure 6, the solution $P_{11}(t)$ with $\beta=1.7, h=0.01$ and $n=200$, we can observe that the solutions are identical. We


Figure 5. 2D plots of numerical and exact solutions at $t=1$ with $\beta=1.7$, $h=0.01$ and $n=200$.


Figure 6. 2D plots of numerical and exact solution of $P_{11}(t)$ with $\beta=1.7$, $h=0.01$ and $n=200$.
compare the results obtained from the FBDF2 method and FBDF3 method. In Table 4, we give the obtained runtimes in seconds and the absolute error norms (Abs.error) at $t=1$, which is the difference between the exact solution and the approximated solution. If the matrices $A, C$, and $Q$ are constants and large-scale, then Krylov subspaces methods are more efficient and fast; see, e.g., [21, 25, 28, 29, 30].

## Conclusion

In this paper, we presented the FBDF method of order 2 and 3 for solving the two-term FSEs in the Caputo derivative sense of fractional order. We introduced some theoretical results about convergence, and absolute error norms. We demonstrated the efficiency and accuracy of the proposed method by applying it to four typical examples. It is found that the approximate

TABLE 4. Numerical results of absolute error norms at $t=1$ and runtimes in seconds for $h=0.01$.

| $n$ | FBDF2 method |  | FBDF3 method |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | CPU time | Abs.error | CPU time | Abs.error |
| 200 | 2.350459 | $6.4614 e-04$ | 1.787854 | $1.2440 e-06$ |
| 300 | 7.439960 | $9.6760 e-04$ | 6.478860 | $1.8629 e-06$ |
| 400 | 12.736567 | 0.0013 | 9.232403 | $2.4819 e-06$ |

solutions produced by our methods are in complete agreement with the corresponding exact solutions. Moreover, these approaches are applicable to other types of two-term fractional differential matrix equations.

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