

# Numerical methods for non-standard fractional operators in the simulation of dielectric materials

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## Real world applications

- design of data and energy storage devices
- design of antennas
- medical diagnostic (MRI), cancer therapy, ...

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## The complex susceptibility

The polarization **P** depends on the electric field **E** (constitutive law)

$$\hat{\mathbf{P}} = \epsilon_0 \hat{\chi}(\omega) \hat{\mathbf{E}}$$

- $\hat{\chi}(\omega)$  is a specific feature of the matter (or system)

Simplified notation (just for easy of presentation)

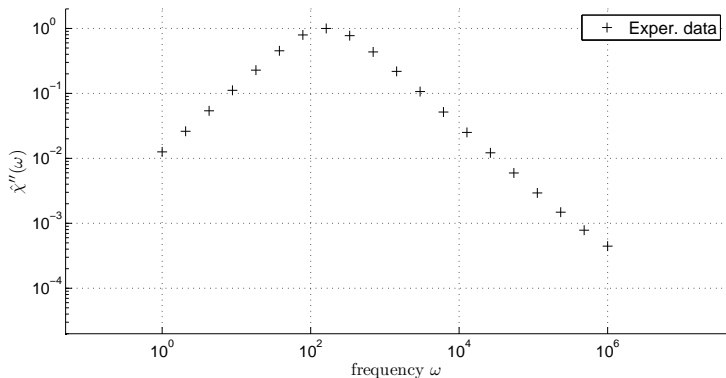
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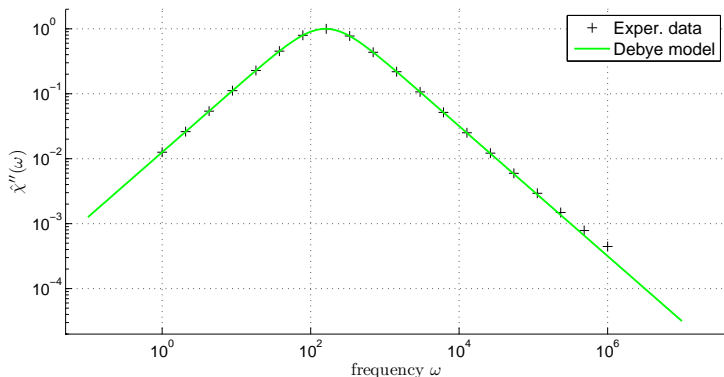
Experimental data (in the frequency domain):  $\hat{P} = \hat{\chi}(\omega)\hat{E}$



Match experimental data into a mathematical model



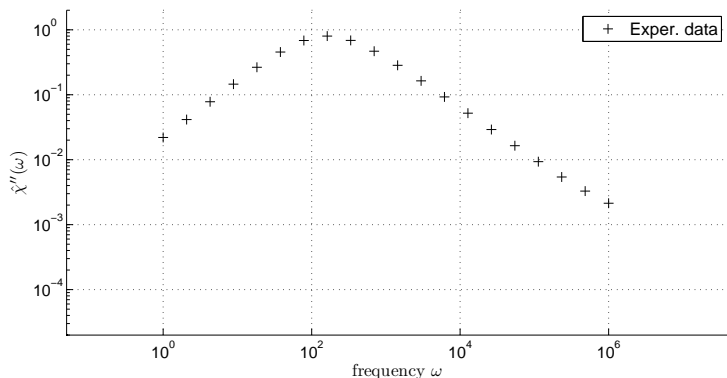
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The Debye model:  $\hat{\chi}(\omega) = \frac{1}{1 + i\omega\tau}$  (standard materials)

Ordinary differential equation:  $\tau \frac{d}{dt} P(t) + P(t) = E(t)$

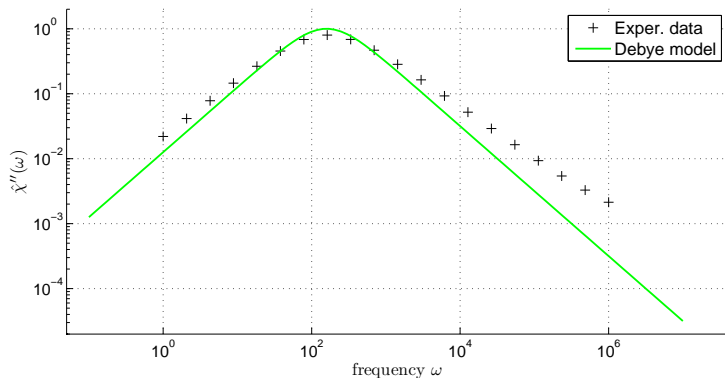
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Materials with anomalous dielectric properties:

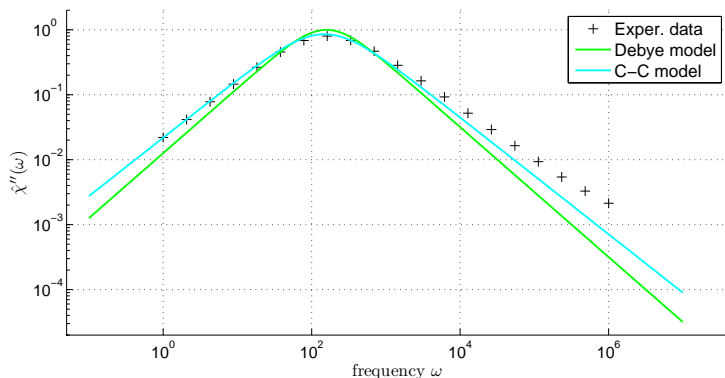
- amorphous polymers
- complex systems (biological tissues)

# Determining the complex susceptibility $\hat{\chi}(\omega)$



Debye model not satisfactory

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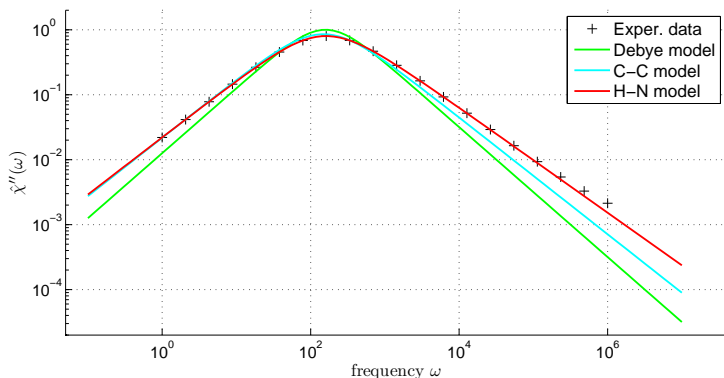


The Cole-Cole model: 
$$\hat{\chi}(\omega) = \frac{1}{1 + (i\omega\tau)^\alpha} \quad 0 < \alpha < 1$$

Fractional differential equation: 
$$\tau^\alpha \frac{d^\alpha}{dt^\alpha} P(t) + P(t) = E(t)$$

Only partially satisfactory

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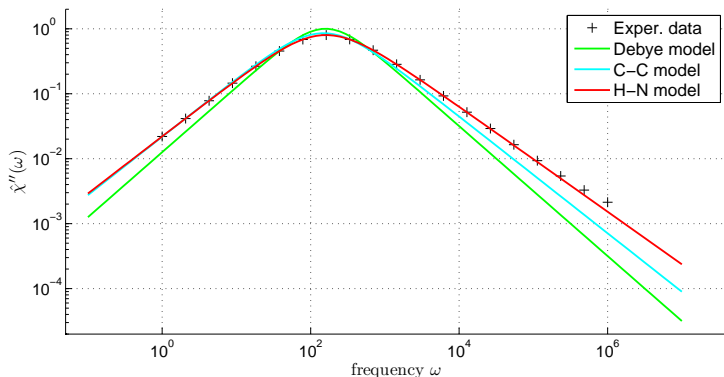
The Havriliak-Negami model: 
$$\hat{\chi}(\omega) = \frac{1}{(1 + (i\omega\tau)^\alpha)^\gamma} \quad 0 < \alpha, \alpha\gamma \leq 1$$

Better matching thanks to three parameters  $\alpha$ ,  $\gamma$  and  $\tau$

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S. Havriliak and S. Negami "A complex plane representation of dielectric and mechanical relaxation processes in some polymers". In: *Polymer* (1967)

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Fractional pseudo-differential equation: 
$$\left(1 + \tau^\alpha \frac{d^\alpha}{dt^\alpha}\right)^\gamma P(t) = E(t) \quad ?$$

## Other models for complex susceptibility $\hat{\chi}(\omega)$

- Modified Havriliak-Negami or JWS (Jurlewicz, Weron and Stanislavsky)

$$\hat{\chi}_{\text{JWS}}(i\omega) = 1 - \frac{1}{\left(1 + (i\tau_{\star}\omega)^{-\alpha}\right)^{\gamma}} = 1 - (i\tau_{\star}\omega)^{\alpha\gamma} \chi_{\text{HN}}(i\omega)$$

- EW: Excess wing (Hilfer, Nigmatullin and others)

$$\hat{\chi}_{\text{EW}}(i\omega) = \frac{1 + (\tau_2 i\omega)^{\alpha}}{1 + (\tau_2 i\omega)^{\alpha} + \tau_1 i\omega}.$$

- Multichannel excess wing (Hilfer)

$$\hat{\xi}(s) = \frac{1}{1 + \left[ \sum_{k=1}^n (i\omega\tau_k)^{-\alpha_k} \right]^{-1}}$$

This talk focuses on the Havriliak-Negami model

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Garrappa R., Mainardi F. and Maione G., "Models of dielectric relaxation based on completely monotone functions". In: *Frac. Calc. Appl. Anal.* 19(5) (2016)

# Dealing with the Havriliak-Negami model

$$\hat{\mathbf{P}}(\omega) = \frac{1}{((i\omega\tau)^\alpha + 1)^\gamma} \hat{\mathbf{E}}(\omega)$$

Few contributions on simulation of this constitutive law:

- C.S.Antonopoulos, N.V.Kantartzis, I.T.Rekanos “FDTD Method for Wave Propagation in Havriliak-Negami Media Based on Fractional Derivative Approximation”. In: *IEEE Trans Magn.* 53(6) (2017)
- P.Bia et al. “A novel FDTD formulation based on fractional derivatives for dispersive Havriliak–Negami media”. In: *Signal Processing*, 107 (2015) 312–318
- M.F.Causley, P.G.Petropoulos, “On the Time-Domain Response of Havriliak-Negami Dielectrics”. In: *IEEE Trans. Antennas Propag.*, 61(6) (2013) 3182–3189
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## Main problems:

- Define time-domain operator for HN
- Discretize the operator for simulations



## Operators in the time domain

$$\hat{\mathbf{P}}(\omega) = \frac{1}{((i\omega\tau)^\alpha + 1)^\gamma} \hat{\mathbf{E}}(\omega) \quad \iff \quad (\tau^{\alpha_0} D_t^\alpha + 1)^\gamma \mathbf{P}(t) = \mathbf{E}(t) \quad ???$$

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### Combination of fractional operators

$$(\tau^\alpha {}_0D_t^\alpha + 1)^\gamma = \exp\left(-\frac{t}{\alpha\tau^\alpha} {}_0D_t^{1-\alpha}\right) \cdot \tau^{\alpha\gamma} {}_0D_t^{\alpha\gamma} \cdot \exp\left(\frac{t}{\alpha\tau^\alpha} {}_0D_t^{1-\alpha}\right)$$

Useful for theoretical investigations

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R.R.Nigmatullin and Y.E.Ryabov "Cole–Davidson dielectric relaxation as a self-similar relaxation process". In: *Physics of the Solid State* 39.1 (1997)

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### Expansion in infinite series

$$(\tau^{\alpha_0} D_t^\alpha + 1)^\gamma = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{\gamma}{k} \tau^{\alpha(\gamma-k)} D_t^{\alpha(\gamma-k)}$$

No satisfactory for error control

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V. Novikov et al. "Anomalous relaxation in dielectrics. Equations with fractional derivatives". In: *Mater. Sci. Poland* 23.4 (2005)

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$$\text{Prabhakar function: } E_{\alpha, \beta}^\gamma(z) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\gamma)} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(\gamma + k) z^k}{k! \Gamma(\alpha k + \beta)}$$

R.Garra, R.Gorenflo, F.Polito and Z.Tomovski "Hilfer-Prabhakar derivatives and some applications". In: *Appl. Math. Comput.* 242 (2014)

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### Prabhakar derivative of Caputo type

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$${}^c(\tau^\alpha D_t^\alpha + 1)^\gamma \mathbf{P}(t) = \int_0^t \left(\frac{u}{\tau}\right)^{-\alpha\gamma} E_{\alpha, 1-\alpha\gamma}^{-\gamma} \left(-\left(\frac{u}{\tau}\right)^\alpha\right) \mathbf{P}'(t-u) du \quad \text{Caputo}$$

$${}^c(\tau^\alpha D_t^\alpha + 1)^\gamma \mathbf{P}(t) = (\tau^\alpha D_t^\alpha + 1)^\gamma (\mathbf{P}(t) - \mathbf{P}(0^+))$$

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### Fractional differences of Grünwald–Letnikov

$$(\tau^{\alpha_0} D_t^\alpha + 1)^\gamma \mathbf{P}(t) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h^{\alpha\gamma}} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \Omega_k \mathbf{P}(t - kh)$$

$$\bar{\Omega}_0 = 1, \quad \bar{\Omega}_k = \frac{\tau^\alpha}{\tau^\alpha + h^\alpha} \sum_{j=1}^k \left( \frac{(1+\gamma)j}{k} - 1 \right) \omega_j^{(\alpha)} \bar{\Omega}_{k-j}, \quad \Omega_k = (\tau^\alpha + h^\alpha)^\gamma \bar{\Omega}_k$$

R.Garrappa “On Grünwald–Letnikov operators for fractional relaxation in Havriliak-Negami models”. In: *Commun. Nonlinear. Sci. Numer. Simul.* 38 (2016)

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Approximation of first order only !

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Non-local operator

Weakly singular integral

$$\text{Series of RL integrals } ^1 (\tau^\alpha J_t^\alpha + 1)^\gamma = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \binom{\gamma}{k} \frac{1}{\tau^{\alpha(k+\gamma)}} J_0^{\alpha(k+\gamma)}$$

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<sup>1</sup>Giusti A., "A comment on some new definitions of fractional derivative". *Nonlinear Dyn.* (2018)

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Preferable in numerical simulation

- Numerical integration is easier than numerical differentiation
- Approximation by quadrature rules
- What kind of quadrature rule ?

# Discretization of Maxwell's equations

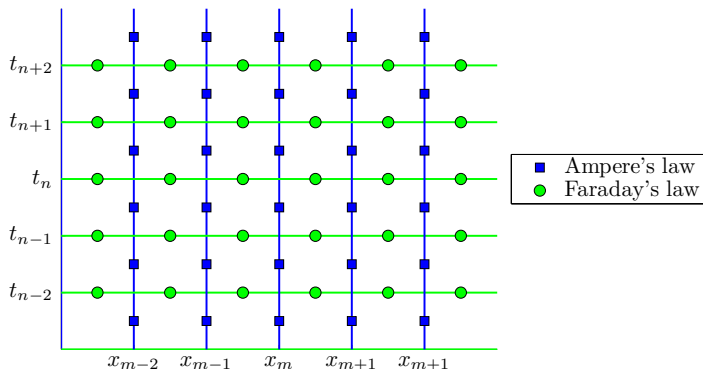
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$$\nabla \times \mathbf{F} = \left( \frac{\partial F_z}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial F_y}{\partial z} \right) \mathbf{i} + \left( \frac{\partial F_x}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial F_z}{\partial x} \right) \mathbf{j} + \left( \frac{\partial F_y}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial F_x}{\partial y} \right) \mathbf{k}$$

The **F**inite **D**ifferences **T**ime **D**omain (**FDTD**) method:

- 1 Introduced by K. Yee in 1966
- 2 Approximation based on centred finite difference operators
- 3 Use of staggered grids in space and time

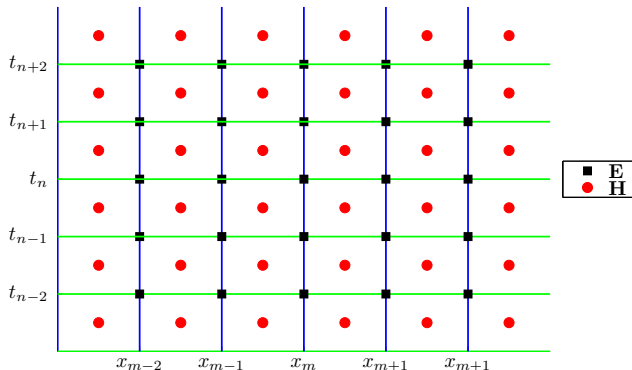
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### Convolution quadratures by Lubich [Lubich, 1988]

- Based on the LT  $\hat{\chi}(s) = \frac{1}{(\tau^\alpha s^\alpha + 1)^\gamma}$  (i.e. the complex susceptibility)
- Extension of classical linear multistep methods (LMM) for ODEs
- Preservation of convergence and stability of the LMM

# Convolution quadrature rules

$$I(t) = \int_0^t f(t-u)g(u)du$$

- Generalizes LMM for ODEs

$$\sum_{j=0}^k \rho_j y_{n-j} = h \sum_{j=0}^k \sigma_j f(t_{n-j}, y_{n-j}), \quad n \geq k.$$

- Based on the generating function of the LMM

$$\rho(\xi) = \sum_{j=0}^k \rho_j \xi^{k-j} \quad \sigma(\xi) = \sum_{j=0}^k \sigma_j \xi^{k-j} \quad \delta(\xi) = \frac{\rho(1/\xi)}{\sigma(1/\xi)}$$

$$I(t_n) = \underbrace{h^\mu \sum_{j=0}^{\nu} w_{n,j} g(t_j)}_{\text{starting term}} + \underbrace{h^\mu \sum_{j=0}^n \omega_{n-j} g(t_j)}_{\text{convolution term}}$$

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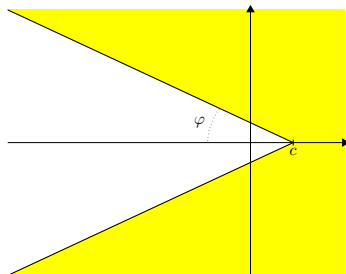
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- Use of LT  $F(s)$  of  $f(t)$
- $F(s)$  analytic in a sector

$$\Sigma_{\varphi,c} = \{s \in \mathbb{C} : |\arg(s-c)| < \pi - \varphi\}$$

- $F(s) \leq M|s|^{-\mu} \quad \mu > 0 \quad M < \infty$

- Weights  $F\left(\frac{\delta(\xi)}{h}\right) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \omega_n \xi^n$

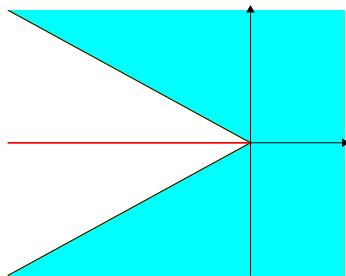


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- $f(t) = t^{\alpha\gamma-1} E_{\alpha,\alpha\gamma}^\gamma(-t^\alpha/\tau^\alpha)$
- $F(s) = \hat{\chi}(s) = \frac{1}{(\tau^\alpha s^\alpha + 1)^\gamma}$   
 $F(s)$  analytic outside  $(-\infty, 0]$
- $F(s) \leq M|s|^{-\alpha\gamma} \quad \mu = \alpha\gamma$
- Weights  $\hat{\chi}\left(\frac{\delta(\xi)}{h}\right) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \omega_n \xi^n$



# Convolution quadrature for Havriliak-Negami

$$\mathbf{P} = (\tau^{\alpha} J_t^{\alpha} + 1)^{\gamma} \mathbf{E}$$

$$P(x, t_n) = \underbrace{h^{\alpha\gamma} \sum_{j=0}^{\nu} w_{n,j} E(x, t_j)}_{\text{starting term}} + \underbrace{h^{\alpha\gamma} \sum_{j=0}^n \omega_n^{\text{HN}} E(x, t_j)}_{\text{convolution term}}$$

Trapezoidal rule  $y_{n+1} - y_n = \frac{h}{2} (f(t_n, y_n) + f(t_{n+1}, y_{n+1}))$

Generating function  $\delta(\xi) = \frac{2(1-\xi)}{1+\xi}$

Convolution weights  $h^{\alpha\gamma} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \omega_n^{\text{HN}} \xi^n = \hat{\chi} \left( \frac{2(1-\xi)}{h(1+\xi)} \right)$

# Evaluation of convolution weights

$$h^{\alpha\gamma} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \omega_n^{\text{HN}} \xi^n = \frac{h^{\alpha\gamma}}{2^{\alpha\tau\alpha}} \left( \bar{h}^{\alpha} + \frac{(1-\xi)^{\alpha}}{(1+\xi)^{\alpha}} \right)^{-\gamma}, \quad \bar{h} = \frac{h}{2\tau}$$

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- 2) Numerical integration of Cauchy integral

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## 1) Recursion, FFT and power of FPS

$$(1-\xi)^{\alpha} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \hat{\omega}_n \xi^n \quad \hat{\omega}_0 = 1 \quad \hat{\omega}_n = \left( 1 - \frac{\alpha+1}{n} \right) \hat{\omega}_{n-1}$$

$$(1+\xi)^{-\alpha} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \bar{\omega}_n \xi^n \quad \bar{\omega}_0 = 1 \quad \bar{\omega}_n = \left( \frac{1-\alpha}{n} - 1 \right) \bar{\omega}_{n-1}$$

$$\frac{(1-\xi)^{\alpha}}{(1+\xi)^{\alpha}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \tilde{\omega}_n \xi^n \quad \text{FFT of weights of } (1-\xi)^{\alpha} \text{ and } (1+\xi)^{-\alpha}$$

$$\left( \bar{h}^{\alpha} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \tilde{\omega}_n \xi^n \right)^{-\gamma} = \frac{1}{(1+\bar{h}^{\alpha})^{\gamma}} \left( 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\tilde{\omega}_n}{1+\bar{h}^{\alpha}} \tilde{\omega}_n \xi^n \right)^{-\gamma} \quad \text{unitary FPS}$$

# Evaluation of convolution weights

$$h^{\alpha\gamma} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \omega_n^{\text{HN}} \xi^n = \frac{h^{\alpha\gamma}}{2^{\alpha\tau} \tau^{\alpha}} \left( \bar{h}^{\alpha} + \frac{(1-\xi)^{\alpha}}{(1+\xi)^{\alpha}} \right)^{-\gamma}, \quad \bar{h} = \frac{h}{2\tau}$$

## 1) Recursion, FFT and power of FPS

Miller's Formula: power  $\beta \in \mathbb{C}$  of unitary Formal Power Series

$$(1 + a_1\xi + a_2\xi^2 + a_3\xi^3 + \dots)^{\beta} = v_0^{(\beta)} + v_1^{(\beta)}\xi + v_2^{(\beta)}\xi^2 + v_3^{(\beta)}\xi^3 + \dots$$

$$v_0^{(\beta)} = 1, \quad v_n^{(\beta)} = \sum_{j=1}^n \left( \frac{(\beta+1)j}{n} - 1 \right) a_j v_{n-j}^{(\beta)}$$

$$\text{Direct evaluation } \omega_0^{\text{HN}} = 1 \quad \omega_n^{\text{HN}} = \sum_{j=1}^n \left( \frac{(1-\gamma)j}{n} - 1 \right) \tilde{\omega}_j \omega_{n-j}^{\text{HN}}$$

$\downarrow$   
 $\frac{(1-\xi)^{\alpha}}{(1+\xi)^{\alpha}}$

# Evaluation of convolution weights

$$h^{\alpha\gamma} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \omega_n^{\text{HN}} \xi^n = \frac{h^{\alpha\gamma}}{2^{\alpha\tau\alpha}} \left( \bar{h}^\alpha + \frac{(1-\xi)^\alpha}{(1+\xi)^\alpha} \right)^{-\gamma}, \quad \bar{h} = \frac{h}{2\tau}$$

## 1) Recursion, FFT and power of FPS

- Weights evaluated in an exact way
- Expensive computation  $\mathcal{O}(N^2)$
- Instability due to long recurrences

# Evaluation of convolution weights

$$h^{\alpha\gamma} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \omega_n^{\text{HN}} \xi^n = \frac{h^{\alpha\gamma}}{2^{\alpha\tau\alpha}} \left( \bar{h}^\alpha + \frac{(1-\xi)^\alpha}{(1+\xi)^\alpha} \right)^{-\gamma}, \quad \bar{h} = \frac{h}{2\tau}$$

## 2) Numerical integration of Cauchy integral

$$\omega_n^{\text{HN}} = \frac{1}{n!} \left. \frac{d^n}{d\xi^n} G(\xi) \right|_{\xi=0} \quad G(\xi) = \left( \bar{h}^\alpha + \frac{(1-\xi)^\alpha}{(1+\xi)^\alpha} \right)^{-\gamma}$$

Representation in terms of Cauchy integrals

$$\omega_n^{\text{HN}} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \xi^{-n-1} G(\xi) d\xi,$$

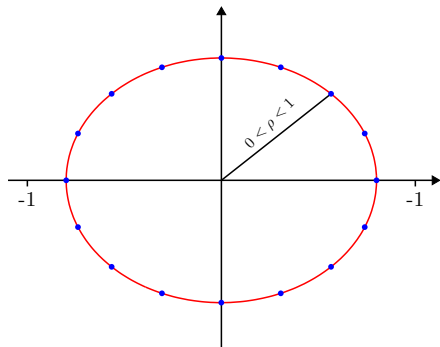
Approximation by quadrature rule



# Evaluation of convolution weights

$$h^{\alpha\gamma} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \omega_n^{\text{HN}} \xi^n = \frac{h^{\alpha\gamma}}{2^{\alpha\tau} \alpha} \left( \bar{h}^{\alpha} + \frac{(1-\xi)^{\alpha}}{(1+\xi)^{\alpha}} \right)^{-\gamma}, \quad \bar{h} = \frac{h}{2\tau}$$

## 2) Numerical integration of Cauchy integral



Contour  $|\xi| = \rho \quad 0 < \rho < 1$

Equispaced quadrature nodes

$$\xi_\ell = \rho e^{2\pi i \ell / L}, \quad \ell = 0, 1, \dots, L-1$$

Trapezoidal rule

$$\omega_{n,L}^{\text{HN}} = \frac{\rho^{-n}}{L} \sum_{l=0}^{L-1} G(\xi_l) e^{-2\pi i n l / L}$$

Fast computation by FFT  $\mathcal{O}(L \log L)$

# Evaluation of convolution weights

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## 2) Numerical integration of Cauchy integral

Choice of  $\rho$  and  $L$ : **error analysis**

Discretization error  $0 < \rho < r < 1$

$$|\omega_n^{\text{HN}} - \omega_{n,L}^{\text{HN}}| \leq \rho^{-n} C_r \frac{(r/\rho)^n}{(r/\rho)^L - 1} \quad a$$

Round-off error

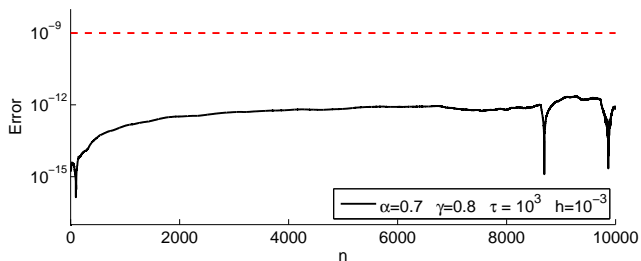
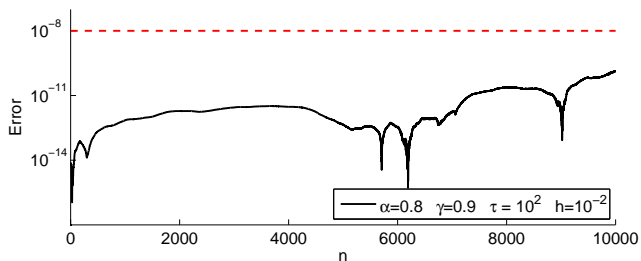
$$|\omega_{n,L}^{\text{HN}} - \hat{\omega}_{n,L}^{\text{HN}}| \leq \rho^{-n} C_{\rho} \epsilon$$

Balancing of the two errors: target accuracy  $\varepsilon > \epsilon$

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<sup>a</sup>Trefethen & Weideman in [SIAM Review 2014]

# Numerical integration of Cauchy integral



## Evaluation of the starting term

$$P(x, t_n) = \underbrace{h^{\alpha\gamma} \sum_{j=0}^{\nu} w_{n,j} E(x, t_j)}_{\text{starting term}} + \underbrace{h^{\alpha\gamma} \sum_{j=0}^n \omega_n^{\text{HN}} E(x, t_j)}_{\text{convolution term}}$$

- Handling the singularity at the origin
- $w_{n,j}$  obtained by imposing the rule exact for  $\{1, t^{\alpha\gamma}, t\}$  when  $\alpha\gamma > \frac{1}{2}$
- Solution of small systems of algebraic equations

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2^{\alpha\gamma} \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} w_{n,0} \\ w_{n,1} \\ w_{n,2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} n^{\alpha\gamma} E_{\alpha, \alpha\gamma+1}^{\gamma}(- (t_n/\tau)^{\alpha}) - \sum_{j=0}^n \omega_{n-j}^{\text{HN}} \\ \gamma_{\alpha} n^{2\alpha\gamma} E_{\alpha, 2\alpha\gamma+1}^{\gamma}(- (t_n/\tau)^{\alpha}) - \sum_{j=0}^{n-j} \omega_n^{\text{HN}} j^{\alpha\gamma} \\ n^{\alpha\gamma+1} E_{\alpha, \alpha\gamma+2}^{\gamma}(- (t_n/\tau)^{\alpha}) - \sum_{j=0}^n \omega_{n-j}^{\text{HN}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\gamma_{\alpha} = \Gamma(\alpha\gamma + 1)$$

Simple inversion of the matrix

# Evaluation of Prabhakar (three-parameter ML) function

Matlab code available

The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the MathWorks File Exchange page for 'The Mittag-Leffler function'. The page title is 'The Mittag-Leffler function' and the URL is 'https://it.mathworks.com/matlabcentral/fileexchange/48154-the-mittag-leffler-function'. The page features the MathWorks logo and navigation links for Products, Solutions, Academia, Support, Community, and Events. The main content area includes the title 'The Mittag-Leffler function', version 1.3 (11.7 KB) by Roberto Garrappa, and a description: 'Evaluation of the Mittag-Leffler function with 1, 2 or 3 parameters'. The page also displays a rating of 8 stars, 13 downloads, and an update date of 07 Dec 2015. There are buttons for 'Add to Watchlist' and 'Download'. The page is divided into 'Overview' and 'Functions' tabs, with 'Functions' selected. The 'Functions' tab contains the text: 'Evaluation of the Mittag-Leffler (ML) function with 1, 2 or 3 parameters by means of the OPC algorithm [1]. The routine evaluates an approximation  $E_t$  of the ML function  $E$  such that  $|E - E_t| / (1 + |E|)$  approx 1.0e-15'. The 'MATLAB Release' section indicates 'MATLAB 7.9 (R2009b)'.

$$E_{\alpha, \beta}(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^k}{\Gamma(\alpha k + \beta)}$$

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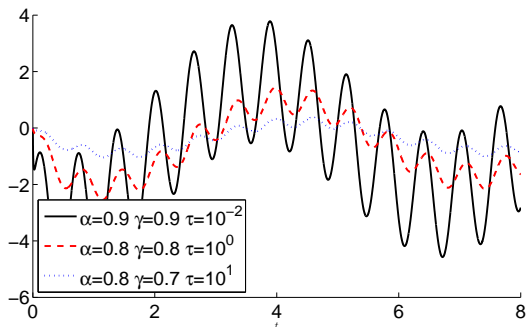
Possible evaluation of  $E_{\alpha, \beta}^{\gamma}(z)$  when  $|\arg(z)| > \alpha\pi$

Also available code for ML function with matrix arguments

# Testing the quadrature rule

$$\mathbf{P}(t) = (\tau^\alpha J_t^\alpha + 1)^\gamma \mathbf{E}(t) \quad \mathbf{E}(t) = \sum_{k=0}^N a_k \cos \omega_k t + \sum_{k=0}^N b_k \sin \omega_k t$$

	$\alpha$	$\gamma$	$\tau$
Set 1	0.8	0.9	$10^{-2}$
Set 2	0.8	0.8	$10^0$
Set 3	0.8	0.7	$10^1$



## Numerical experiments: errors and EOC

$$\mathbf{P}(t) = (\tau^{\alpha} J_t^{\alpha} + 1)^{\gamma} \mathbf{E}(t) \quad \mathbf{E}(t) = \sum_{k=0}^N a_k \cos \omega_k t + \sum_{k=0}^N b_k \sin \omega_k t$$

$h$	$\alpha = 0.9 \quad \gamma = 0.9$ $\tau = 10^{-2}$		$\alpha = 0.8 \quad \gamma = 0.8$ $\tau = 10^0$		$\alpha = 0.8 \quad \gamma = 0.7$ $\tau = 10^1$	
	Error	EOC	Error	EOC	Error	EOC
$2^{-4}$	5.10(-3)		6.21(-3)		2.04(-3)	
$2^{-5}$	1.18(-3)	2.118	1.52(-3)	2.030	4.83(-4)	2.080
$2^{-6}$	2.85(-4)	2.043	3.80(-4)	2.000	1.21(-4)	1.999
$2^{-7}$	7.02(-5)	2.021	9.51(-5)	2.000	3.02(-5)	1.998
$2^{-8}$	1.73(-5)	2.022	2.35(-5)	2.014	7.50(-6)	2.013
$2^{-9}$	4.12(-6)	2.071	5.61(-6)	2.069	1.79(-6)	2.068

$$\text{EOC} = \log_2(E(h)/E(\frac{h}{2}))$$

## Numerical experiments: errors and EOC

$$\mathbf{P}(t) = (\tau^{\alpha_0} J_t^{\alpha} + 1)^{\gamma} \mathbf{E}(t) \quad \mathbf{E}(t) = \sum_{k=0}^N a_k t^{\alpha k} + \sum_{k=0}^N b_k t^{\gamma k} + \sum_{k=0}^N c_k t^k$$

$h$	$\alpha = 0.9 \quad \gamma = 0.9$ $\tau = 10^{-2}$		$\alpha = 0.8 \quad \gamma = 0.8$ $\tau = 10^0$		$\alpha = 0.8 \quad \gamma = 0.7$ $\tau = 10^1$	
	Error	EOC	Error	EOC	Error	EOC
$2^{-4}$	1.28(-4)		1.26(-3)		1.43(-4)	
$2^{-5}$	3.11(-5)	2.041	3.15(-4)	1.996	3.68(-5)	1.960
$2^{-6}$	7.69(-6)	2.015	7.88(-5)	1.999	9.29(-6)	1.987
$2^{-7}$	1.91(-6)	2.009	1.97(-5)	2.003	2.32(-6)	2.001
$2^{-8}$	4.72(-7)	2.018	4.86(-6)	2.017	5.73(-7)	2.019
$2^{-9}$	1.12(-7)	2.071	1.16(-6)	2.070	1.36(-7)	2.075

$$\text{EOC} = \log_2(E(h)/E(\frac{h}{2}))$$



# The Excess Wing model

$$\mathbf{P}(t) = \frac{1 + (\tau_2 i\omega)^\alpha}{1 + (\tau_2 i\omega)^\alpha + \tau_1 i\omega} \mathbf{E}(t)$$

## 1) Linear multiterm fractional differential equation

$$D_t \mathbf{P}(t) + \frac{\tau_2^\alpha}{\tau_1} {}_0 D_t^\alpha \mathbf{P}(t) + \frac{1}{\tau_1} \mathbf{P}(t) = \left( \frac{1}{\tau_1} \mathbf{E}(t) + \frac{\tau_2^\alpha}{\tau_1} {}_0 D_t^\alpha \mathbf{E}(t) \right)$$

## 1) Convolution quadrature rule

$$h^{1-\alpha} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \omega_n^{\text{EW}} \xi^n = h^{1-\alpha} \frac{h^\alpha + 2^\alpha \tau_2^\alpha \frac{(1-\xi)^\alpha}{(1+\xi)^\alpha}}{h + 2^\alpha \tau_2^\alpha h^{1-\alpha} \frac{(1-\xi)^\alpha}{(1+\xi)^\alpha} + \tau_1 \frac{(1-\xi)}{(1+\xi)}}$$

## Concluding remarks

- The Havriliak-Negami dielectric model can be described in the time-domain by Prabhakar derivatives and integrals
- Prabhakar derivatives and integrals are non standard fractional-order operators depending on several parameters
- Discretization of Prbhakar operators by means of Lubich's convolution quadratures: direct use of the **complex susceptibility**
- **General approach:** extension to other models: Excess Wing, multichannel Excess Wing, and others ...

## Further developments

- Improving computational efficiency (memory term)
- Validation with experimental data (Technical University of Bari)
- Releasing robust software for solving Maxwell's systems with anomalous dielectric relaxation

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