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## FIRST ORDER COEFFICIENTS DETERMINING IN A TIME-FRACTIONAL DIFFUSION EQUATION

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We study the inverse problem on determining a classical solution of the first boundary-value problem for a time-fractional diffusion equation and time-dependent continuous coefficients at derivatives of the first order in the equation. We use space-integral overdetermination conditions. We find sufficient conditions for a time-local unique solvability of the inverse problem.

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### 1. Introduction

Equations with fractional derivatives and inverse problems to them are appearing in different branches of science and engineering, and the range of the applicability of the generated models is increase considerable. The conditions for classical solvability of the Cauchy and boundary value problems to equations with a time and a time-space fractional diffusion equations were obtained in [1]–[8] and other papers. The inverse initial and boundary value problems with different unknown functions or parameters, in particular, unknown minor or senior coefficients for such equations were investigated in many papers.

In this paper, for the equation

$${}^c D_t^\beta u - \Delta u - \sum_{j=1}^n r_j u_{x_j} - r(t)u = F_0(x, t), \quad x \in \Omega, \quad t \in (0, T] \quad (1)$$

with the Caputo fractional derivative of order  $\beta \in (0, 1)$  we study the inverse problem

$$u(x, t) = 0, \quad x \in \partial\Omega, \quad t \in [0, T], \quad (2)$$

$$u(x, 0) = F_1(x), \quad x \in \bar{\Omega}, \quad (3)$$

$$\int_{\Omega} u(x, t) \varphi'_j(x_j) dx = \Phi_j(t), \quad t \in [0, T], \quad j \in \{1, \dots, n\} \quad (4)$$

of determining  $(u, r_1, \dots, r_n)$  where  $F_0, F_1, r, \varphi_j, \Phi_j$  are given functions,  $\Omega$  is a region in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $n \geq 2$ , bounded by a closed surface of class  $C^1$ .

Very often, when studying inverse problems, the value of the sought solution of the problem at the final moment of time is additionally set, for example, in [9]–[13], some additional boundary data is set, for example, in [14]. Integral overdetermination conditions were used, for example, in [15]–[19], in [16] with the scalar product  $(u, \varphi_0)$  in abstract Hilbert space, in [18] in spaces of Bessel potentials.

In the case of two unknown functions inverse problems for a time-fractional diffusion equation were studied, for example, in [10, 13] under final time data, in [20, 21] under a time and space-integral overdetermination conditions, in [22] under two space-integral overdetermination conditions, in [23] under two time-integral overdetermination conditions. Inverse problem of kind (1)–(4) for a time- or time-space fractional diffusion equations was not studied.

## 2. Notations, definitions and auxiliary results

Let  $Q = \Omega \times (0, T]$ . We denote by  $f * g$  the convolution of  $f$  and  $g$ , use the function

$$f_\lambda(t) = \frac{\theta(t)t^{\lambda-1}}{\Gamma(\lambda)} \text{ for } \lambda > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad f_\lambda(t) = f'_{1+\lambda}(t) \text{ for } \lambda \leq 0$$

where  $\Gamma(\lambda)$  is the Gamma-function,  $\theta(t)$  is the Heaviside function.

Note that  $f_\lambda * f_\mu = f_{\lambda+\mu}$ .

The Riemann-Liouville derivative  $v^{(\beta)}(t)$  of order  $\beta > 0$  is defined by the formula

$$v^{(\beta)}(t) = f_{-\beta}(t) * v(t).$$

The Caputo (Caputo-Djrbashian, regularized) fractional derivative of order  $\beta \in (m-1, m)$  is defined by

$${}^c D^\beta v(t) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(m-\beta)} \int_0^t (t-\tau)^{m-\beta-1} \frac{d^m}{d\tau^m} v(\tau) d\tau,$$

and therefore

$${}^c D^\beta v(t) = v^{(\beta)}(t) - \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} f_{j+1-\beta}(t) v^{(j)}(0). \quad (5)$$

We shall use the notations

$$(v, \varphi) := \int_{\Omega} v(x) \varphi(x) dx, \quad (Lv)(x, t) = D_t^\beta v(x, t) - (\Delta v)(x, t), \quad (x, t) \in Q$$

and the functional space  $C_{2,\beta}(\bar{Q}) = \{v \in C(\bar{Q}) : {}^c D_t^\beta v, \Delta v \in C(Q)\}$ .

The vector-function  $(u, r_1, \dots, r_n) \in C_{2,\beta}(\bar{Q}) \times [C[0, T]]^n$  is called a classical solution of the problem (1)–(4) if it satisfies the equation (1) in  $Q$  and the conditions (2), (3), (4).

From (2)–(4) the compatibility conditions follow

$$F_1(x) = 0, \quad x \in \partial\Omega, \quad (F_1, \varphi_j) = \Phi_j(0), \quad j \in 1, \dots, n. \tag{6}$$

The vector-function  $(G_0(x, t), G_1(x, t))$  is called a Green’s vector-function of the problem (2), (3) to the equation

$$(Lu)(x, t) = F(x, t), \quad (x, t) \in Q \tag{7}$$

if under rather regular  $F, F_1$  the function

$$u(x, t) = \int_0^t d\tau \int_{\Omega} G_0(x - y, t - \tau) F(y, \tau) dy + \int_{\Omega} G_1(x - y, t) F_1(y) dy, \quad (x, t) \in \bar{Q} \tag{8}$$

is a classical solution of this problem.

Such Green’s vector-function exists ([1, 3, 6]):  $G_0(x, t)$  is the fundamental solution of the equation (1),  $G_1(x, t) = f_{1-\beta} * G_0(x, t)$ , for multi-indeces  $\gamma, |\gamma| \in \{0, 1\}$  the following bounds were found

$$\begin{aligned} |D_x^\gamma G_0(x, t)| &\leq Ct^{-\beta \frac{n+|\gamma|}{2} + \beta - 1} e^{-c(|x|t^{-\frac{\beta}{2}})^{\frac{2}{2-\beta}}} \Psi_{n+|\gamma|-2}(|x|t^{-\frac{\beta}{2}}), \\ |D^\gamma G_1(x, t)| &\leq Ct^{-\beta \frac{n+|\gamma|}{2}} e^{-c(|x|t^{-\frac{\beta}{2}})^{\frac{2}{2-\beta}}} \Psi_{n+|\gamma|-2}(|x|t^{-\frac{\beta}{2}}), \\ |{}^c D_t^\beta G_0(x, t)| &\leq Ct^{-\frac{n\beta}{2} - 1} e^{-c(|x|t^{-\frac{\beta}{2}})^{\frac{2}{2-\beta}}} \Psi_{n-2}(|x|t^{-\frac{\beta}{2}}), \\ |{}^c D_t^\beta G_1(x, t)| &\leq Ct^{-\frac{n\beta}{2} - \beta} e^{-c(|x|t^{-\frac{\beta}{2}})^{\frac{2}{2-\beta}}} \Psi_n(|x|t^{-\frac{\beta}{2}}), \end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

where

$$\Psi_m(z) = \begin{cases} 1, & m < 0; \\ 1 + |\ln |z||, & m = 0; \\ |z|^{-m}, & m > 0, \end{cases} \quad \text{for } |z| < 1, \quad \Psi_m(z) = \Psi_m(1) \text{ for } |z| > 1,$$

and  $c < (2 - \beta) \left(\frac{\beta}{4}\right)^{\frac{1}{2-\beta}}$ . Hereinafter  $c, C, C_k, c_k, d_k$  ( $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ) are positive constants.

We denote

$$\begin{aligned} (G_0\varphi)(x, t) &= \int_{\Omega} G_0(x - y, t) \varphi(y) dy, \\ (G_1\varphi)(x, t) &= \int_{\Omega} G_1(x - y, t) \varphi(y) dy, \\ (\mathcal{G}_0\varphi)(x, t) &= \int_0^t d\tau \int_{\Omega} G_0(x - y, t - \tau) \varphi(y) dy, \quad (x, t) \in Q. \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 1.** Assume that  $\varphi \in C(\bar{\Omega})$ ,  $\varphi_j(x_j), \varphi_j''(x_j)$  are continuous and bounded functions. Then

$$(G_0\varphi)(\cdot, t), \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j} (G_0\varphi)(\cdot, t) \in C(\bar{\Omega}), \quad t \in (0, T], \quad \mathcal{G}_0\varphi, \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j} \mathcal{G}_0\varphi, G_1\varphi,$$

$${}^c D_t^\beta (\mathcal{G}_0 \varphi, \varphi_j), {}^c D_t^\beta \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j} (\mathcal{G}_0 \varphi, \varphi_j), {}^c D_t^\beta (G_1 \varphi, \varphi_j) \in C(\bar{Q}), \quad j \in \{1, \dots, n\},$$

and it exists positive constant  $C^*$  such that for all  $t \in (0, T]$

$$\|(G_0 \varphi)(\cdot, t)\|_{C(\bar{\Omega})} \leq C^* t^{\beta-1} \|\varphi\|_{C(\bar{\Omega})}, \quad \left\| \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j} (G_0 \varphi)(\cdot, t) \right\|_{C(\bar{\Omega})} \leq C^* t^{\frac{\beta}{2}-1} \|\varphi\|_{C(\bar{\Omega})},$$

$$\|(\mathcal{G}_0 \varphi)(\cdot, t)\|_{C(\bar{\Omega})} \leq C^* t^\beta \|\varphi\|_{C(\bar{\Omega})}, \quad \left\| \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j} \mathcal{G}_0 \varphi \right)(\cdot, t) \right\|_{C(\bar{\Omega})} \leq C^* t^{\beta/2} \|\varphi\|_{C(\bar{\Omega})},$$

$$\|{}^c D_t^\beta D^\gamma (\mathcal{G}_0 \varphi, \varphi_j)\|_{C(\bar{\Omega})} \leq C^* t^{\frac{\beta}{2}(n-|\gamma|)} \|\varphi\|_{C(\bar{\Omega})}, \quad |\gamma| \in \{0, 1\},$$

$$\|G_1 \varphi\|_{C(\bar{Q})} \leq C^* \|\varphi\|_{C(\bar{\Omega})}, \quad \|{}^c D_t^\beta (G_1 \varphi, \varphi_j)\| \leq C^* t^{\frac{\beta}{2}(n-2)} \|\varphi\|_{C(\bar{\Omega})}, \quad j \in \{1, \dots, n\}.$$

*Proof.* From the estimates (9) at  $n \geq 3$  for multy-indeces  $\gamma$ ,  $|\gamma| \in \{0, 1\}$

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \int_{\Omega} D_x^\gamma G_0(x-y, t) \varphi(y) dy \right| \leq \\ & \leq \int_{\{y \in \Omega: |x-y|^2 < t^\beta\}} |D_x^\gamma G_0(x-y, t) \varphi(y)| dy + \int_{\{y \in \Omega: |x-y|^2 > t^\beta\}} |D_x^\gamma G_0(x-y, t) \varphi(y)| dy \leq \\ & \leq C t^{-\frac{\beta(n+|\gamma|)}{2} + \beta - 1} \left[ \int_{\{y \in \Omega: |x-y| < t^{\frac{\beta}{2}}\}} |x-y| t^{-\frac{\beta}{2}}]^{2-n-|\gamma|} |\varphi(y)| dy + \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \int_{\{y \in \Omega: |x-y| > t^{\frac{\beta}{2}}\}} e^{-c[|x-y| t^{-\frac{\beta}{2}}]^{2-\frac{2}{\beta}}} |\varphi(y)| dy \right], \end{aligned}$$

and moving to the spherical coordinate system, we will have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \int_{\Omega} D_x^\gamma G_0(x-y, t) \varphi(y) dy \right| \leq \\ & \leq C_1 \left[ \frac{1}{t} \int_0^{t^{\beta/2}} r^{1-|\gamma|} dr + \int_{t^{\beta/2}}^\infty r^{n-1} t^{-\frac{\beta(n+|\gamma|)}{2}} e^{-c[rt^{-\frac{\beta}{2}}]^{2-\frac{2}{\beta}}} dr \right] \|\varphi\|_{C(\bar{\Omega})} \leq \\ & \leq C_2 t^{\beta-1-\frac{\beta|\gamma|}{2}} \|\varphi\|_{C(\bar{\Omega})}, \quad y \in \bar{\Omega}, \quad 0 < t \leq T, \end{aligned}$$

$\beta - 1 - \frac{\beta|\gamma|}{2} > -1$  for  $|\gamma| \in \{0, 1\}$ . Similarly we get that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| {}^c D_t^\beta \int_0^t d\tau \int_{\Omega} (G_0(x-y, \tau), \varphi_j(x_j)) \varphi(y) dy \right| = \\ & = \left| {}^c D_t^\beta \int_0^t d\tau \int_{\Omega} \left( \int_{\Omega} G_0(x-y, \tau) \varphi_j(x_j) dx \right) \varphi(y) dy \right| \leq \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq C_3 \int_0^t \left[ \tau^{-1-\beta} \int_0^{t^{\beta/2}} r^{n+1} dr + \tau^{-1-\frac{n\beta}{2}} \int_{t^{\beta/2}}^\infty r^{2n-1} e^{-c[r\tau^{-\frac{\beta}{2}}]^{\frac{2}{2-\beta}}} dr \right] d\tau \|\varphi\|_{C(\bar{\Omega})} \leq \\ &\leq C_4 \int_0^t \tau^{\frac{n\beta}{2}-1} \|\varphi\|_{C(\bar{\Omega})} \leq C^* t^{\frac{n\beta}{2}} \|\varphi\|_{C(\bar{\Omega})}, \\ &\left| {}^c D_t^\beta \int_0^t d\tau \int_\Omega \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j} (G_0(x-y, \tau), \varphi_j(x_j)) \varphi(y) dy \right| \leq C^* t^{\frac{\beta}{2}(n-1)} \|\varphi\|_{C(\bar{\Omega})}, \\ &\left| \int_\Omega G_1(x-y, t) \varphi(y) dy \right| \leq C^* \|\varphi\|_{C(\bar{\Omega})}, \quad (x, t) \in \bar{Q}, \\ &\left| {}^c D_t^\beta \int_\Omega (G_1(x-y, t), \varphi_j(x_j)) \varphi(y) dy \right| = \\ &= \left| {}^c D_t^\beta \int_\Omega \left( \int_\Omega G_1(x-y, t) \varphi_j(x_j) dx \right) \varphi(y) dy \right| \leq \\ &\leq C_5 \left[ t^{-\beta} \int_0^{t^{\beta/2}} r^{n-1} dr + t^{-\beta(\frac{n}{2}+1)} \int_{t^{\beta/2}}^\infty r^{2n-1} e^{-c[rt^{-\frac{\beta}{2}}]^{\frac{2}{2-\beta}}} dr \right] \|\varphi\|_{C(\bar{\Omega})} \leq \\ &\leq C^* t^{\frac{\beta}{2}(n-2)} \|\varphi\|_{C(\bar{\Omega})}, \quad j \in \{1, \dots, n\}. \end{aligned}$$

□

It follows from [2] the following result.

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $F_1$  is bounded and satisfies Hölder continuity condition in  $\Omega$ ,  $F_0$  is bounded and satisfies Hölder continuity condition with respect to space variables for all  $t \in [0, T]$ . Then there exists the unique classical solution of the problem (7), (2), (3). It is given by (8).*

We define the weighted norms [9]

$$\|v\|_\sigma = \sup_{t \in (0, T]} e^{-\sigma t} \|v(\cdot, t)\|_{C(\bar{\Omega})} \text{ for } v \in C(\bar{Q}).$$

We have the equivalence of norms  $\|v\|_\sigma$  and  $\|v\|_{C(\bar{Q})}$ :

$$e^{-\sigma T} \|v\|_{C(\bar{Q})} \leq \|v\|_\sigma \leq \|v\|_{C(\bar{Q})}.$$

**Lemma 2.** *If  $\varphi \in C(\bar{Q})$ ,  $\varphi_j(x_j)$ ,  $\varphi_j''(x_j)$  ( $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ ) are continuous and bounded functions in  $\Omega$ , then there exist positive numbers  $C_\sigma, C_{\sigma, k}$  ( $k \in \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\}$ ) such that the following bounds hold*

$$\|\mathcal{G}_0 \varphi\|_\sigma \leq C_\sigma \|\varphi\|_\sigma, \quad \left\| \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j} \mathcal{G}_0 \varphi \right\|_\sigma \leq C_{\sigma, 0} \|\varphi\|_\sigma, \quad \|G_1 \varphi\|_\sigma \leq C_{\sigma, 1} \|\varphi\|_\sigma,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|{}^c D_t^\beta (\mathcal{G}_0 \varphi, \varphi_j)\|_\sigma &\leq C_{\sigma,2} \|\varphi\|_\sigma, \quad \left\| {}^c D_t^\beta \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j} (\mathcal{G}_0 \varphi, \varphi_j) \right\|_\sigma \leq C_{\sigma,3} \|\varphi\|_\sigma, \\ \|{}^c D_t^\beta (G_1 \varphi, \varphi_j)\|_\sigma &\leq C_{\sigma,4} \|\varphi\|_\sigma, \quad j \in \{1, \dots, n\}, \end{aligned}$$

moreover,  $C_\sigma \rightarrow 0$ ,  $C_{\sigma,k} \rightarrow 0$  ( $k \in \{0, 2, 3\}$ ) if  $\sigma \rightarrow +\infty$ .

*Proof.* By using Lemma 1 we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathcal{G}_0 \varphi\|_\sigma &= \sup_{t \in (0, T]} e^{-\sigma t} \left\| \int_0^t \left( \int_\Omega G_0(\cdot - y, t - \tau) \varphi(y, \tau) dy \right) d\tau \right\|_{C(\bar{Q})} = \\ &= \sup_{t \in (0, T]} \left\| \int_0^t e^{-\sigma(t-\tau)} \left( \int_\Omega G_0(\cdot - y, t - \tau) e^{-\sigma\tau} \varphi(y, \tau) dy \right) d\tau \right\|_{C(\bar{Q})} \leq \\ &\leq C^* \sup_{t \in (0, T]} \int_0^t e^{-\sigma(t-\tau)} (t - \tau)^{\beta-1} d\tau \sup_{\tau \in (0, T]} e^{-\sigma\tau} \|\varphi(\cdot, \tau)\|_{C(\bar{Q})} = \\ &= C^* \sup_{t \in (0, T]} \int_0^t e^{-\sigma\tau} \tau^{\beta-1} d\tau \|\varphi\|_\sigma = C_\sigma \|\varphi\|_\sigma, \\ \left\| \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j} \mathcal{G}_0 \varphi \right\|_\sigma &= \sup_{t \in (0, T]} \left\| \int_0^t e^{-\sigma(t-\tau)} \left( \int_\Omega \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j} G_0(\cdot - y, t - \tau) e^{-\sigma\tau} \varphi(y, \tau) dy \right) d\tau \right\|_{C(\bar{Q})} \leq \\ &\leq C^* \sup_{t \in (0, T]} \int_0^t e^{-\sigma\tau} \tau^{\frac{\beta}{2}-1} d\tau \|\varphi\|_\sigma, \\ \|{}^c D_t^\beta (\mathcal{G}_0 \varphi, \varphi_j)\|_\sigma &= \\ = C \sup_{t \in (0, T], x \in \bar{\Omega}} \left| {}^c D_t^\beta \int_0^t e^{-\sigma(t-\tau)} d\tau \int_\Omega \left( \int_\Omega G_0(x - y, t - \tau) e^{-\sigma\tau} \varphi(y, \tau) dy \right) \varphi_j(x_j) dx \right| &\leq \\ &\leq C^* \sup_{t \in (0, T]} \int_0^t e^{-\sigma\tau} \tau^{\frac{n\beta}{2}-1} d\tau \|\varphi\|_\sigma, \\ \|{}^c D_t^\beta \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j} (\mathcal{G}_0 \varphi, \varphi_j)\|_\sigma &= \\ = C \sup_{t \in (0, T], x \in \bar{\Omega}} \left| {}^c D_t^\beta \int_0^t e^{-\sigma(t-\tau)} d\tau \int_\Omega \left( \int_\Omega \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j} G_0(x - y, t - \tau) e^{-\sigma\tau} \varphi(y, \tau) dy \right) \varphi_j(x_j) dx \right| &\leq \\ &\leq C^* \sup_{t \in (0, T]} \int_0^t e^{-\sigma\tau} \tau^{\frac{\beta}{2}(n-1)-1} d\tau \|\varphi\|_\sigma, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|G_1\varphi\|_\sigma &= \sup_{t \in (0, T]} \left\| \int_\Omega G_1(\cdot - y, t) e^{-\sigma t} \varphi(y, t) dy \right\|_{C(\bar{Q})} \leq C^* \|\varphi\|_\sigma, \\ &\|{}^c D_t^\beta (G_1\varphi, \varphi_j)\|_\sigma = \\ &= \sup_{t \in (0, T]} \left\| {}^c D_t^\beta \int_\Omega \left( \int_\Omega G_1(\cdot - y, t) e^{-\sigma t} \varphi(y, t) dy \right) \varphi_j(x_j) dx \right\|_{C(\bar{Q})} \leq C^* T^{\frac{\beta}{2}(n-2)} \|\varphi\|_\sigma. \end{aligned}$$

We see that

$$\begin{aligned} C_\sigma &:= C^* \sup_{t \in (0, T]} \int_0^t e^{-\sigma\tau} \tau^{\beta-1} d\tau \leq C^* \frac{\Gamma(\beta)}{\sigma^\beta} \rightarrow 0, \quad \sigma \rightarrow \infty, \\ C_{\sigma,0} &:= C^* \sup_{t \in (0, T]} \int_0^t e^{-\sigma\tau} \tau^{\frac{\beta}{2}-1} d\tau \leq C^* \frac{\Gamma(\beta/2)}{\sigma^{\beta/2}} \rightarrow 0, \quad \sigma \rightarrow \infty, \quad C_{\sigma,1} = C^*, \\ C_{\sigma,2} &:= C^* \sup_{t \in (0, T]} \int_0^t e^{-\sigma\tau} \tau^{\frac{n\beta}{2}-1} d\tau \leq C^* \frac{\Gamma(\frac{n\beta}{2})}{\sigma^{\frac{n\beta}{2}}} \rightarrow 0, \quad \sigma \rightarrow \infty, \\ C_{\sigma,3} &:= C^* \sup_{t \in (0, T]} \int_0^t e^{-\sigma\tau} \tau^{\frac{\beta}{2}(n-1)-1} d\tau \leq C^* \frac{\Gamma(\frac{\beta}{2}(n-1))}{\sigma^{\frac{\beta}{2}(n-1)}} \rightarrow 0, \quad \sigma \rightarrow \infty, \\ C_{\sigma,4} &= C^* T^{\frac{\beta}{2}(n-2)}. \end{aligned}$$

□

### 3. Solution of the inverse problem

**Lemma 3.** Assume that  $F_1$  is a bounded and Hölder function in  $\Omega$ ,  $F_0$  is a bounded and Hölder function in spatial variables for all  $t \in [0, T]$ ,  $\varphi_j(x_j)$ ,  $\varphi_j''(x_j)$  are continuous and bounded functions,  $r, \Phi_j \in C[0, T]$ ,  $|\Phi_j(t)| \geq \psi_0 > 0$ ,  $t \in [0, T]$ ,  $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , and the condition (6) holds.

The vector-function  $(u, r_1, \dots, r_n) \in C_{2,\beta}(\bar{Q}) \times (C[0, T])^n$  is the solution of the problem (1)–(4) if and only if  $u$  satisfies the nonlinear integro-differential equation

$$\begin{aligned} u(x, t) &= u_0(x, t) + \int_0^t d\tau \int_\Omega G_0(x - y, t - \tau) r(\tau) u(y, \tau) dy - \\ &- \int_0^t \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{d\tau}{\Phi_k(\tau)} \int_\Omega \frac{\partial}{\partial y_k} G_0(x - y, t - \tau) \left[ r(\tau) (u(z, \tau), \varphi_k(z_k)) + (F_0(z, \tau), \varphi_k(z_k)) - \right. \\ &\quad \left. - {}^c D_\tau^\beta (u(z, \tau), \varphi_k(z_k)) + (u(z, \tau), \varphi_k''(z_k)) \right] u(y, \tau) dy \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

in a subspace  $M(\bar{Q})$  of functions  $u \in C(\bar{Q})$  with continuous  ${}^c D_t^\beta(u(z, t), \varphi_k(z_k))$ ,  $k \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  where

$$u_0(x, t) = \int_0^t d\tau \int_{\Omega} G_0(x - y, t - \tau) F_0(y, \tau) + \int_{\Omega} G_1(x - y, t) F_1(y) dy, \quad (x, t) \in \bar{Q},$$

and

$$r_k(t) = \frac{1}{\Phi_k(t)} \left[ r(t)(u(z, t), \varphi_k(z_k)) + (F_0(z, t), \varphi_k(z_k)) - {}^c D_t^\beta(u(z, t), \varphi_k(z_k)) + (u(z, t), \varphi_k''(z_k)) \right], \quad k \in 1, \dots, n. \quad (11)$$

*Proof.* From the equation (1), using the conditions (4), we get (11). For each  $u \in C_{2,\beta}(\bar{Q})$  we have  $r_1, \dots, r_n \in C[0, T]$ .

From properties of the components of the Green's vector-function, in particular, Hölder condition's property of them and their derivatives of the first order, by Theorem 1, we get that  $u \in C_{2,\beta}(\bar{Q})$  is the solution of the boundary-value problem (1)–(3) iff it is the solution of the equation

$$u(x, t) = \int_0^t d\tau \int_{\Omega} G_0(x - y, t - \tau) \left[ F_0(y, \tau) + r(\tau)u(y, \tau) + \sum_{j=1}^n r_j(\tau) \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j} u(y, \tau) \right] dy + \int_{\Omega} G_1(x - y, t) F_1(y) dy, \quad (x, t) \in \bar{Q}. \quad (12)$$

Substituting  $r_1, \dots, r_n$  from (11) in (12), for the solution of the problem (1)–(4) we get the equation (10). By assumptions and Theorem 1,  $u_0 \in C_{2,\beta}(\bar{Q})$ .

On the contrary, let  $u \in M(\bar{Q})$  be the solution of the equation (10). Because (12) coincides with (10), if the expressions (11) are substituted into (12) instead of  $r_j(t)$ , according to Theorem 1, the function  $u$  satisfies the problem (1)–(3). We also show that  $u$  satisfies the conditions (4) if  $r_1, \dots, r_n$  are defined according to (11).  $\square$

**Theorem 2.** In assumptions of Lemma 3 there exists  $T_1 > 0$  and for all  $T \in (0, T_1]$  the unique solution  $(u, r_1, \dots, r_n) \in C_{2,\beta}(\bar{Q}) \times (C[0, T])^n$  of the problem (1)–(4),  $u$  satisfies the equation (10),  $r_j(t)$  ( $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ ) are defined by (11).

*Proof.* Let  $w_j(t) = w_j(t, u) := {}^c D_t^\beta(u(z, t), \varphi_j(z_j))$ ,  $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ .

According to Lemma 3, it is sufficient to prove a time-local solvability of the equation (10) in  $M(\bar{Q})$ . From the equation (10) we find

$$w_j(t, u) = w_j(t, u_0) + {}^c D_t^\beta \int_0^t r(\tau) d\tau \int_{\Omega} (G_0(x - y, t - \tau), \varphi_j(x_j)) u(y, \tau) dy - \sum_{k=1}^n {}^c D_t^\beta \int_0^t d\tau \int_{\Omega} \frac{\partial}{\partial y_k} (G_0(x - y, t - \tau), \varphi_j(x_j)) \frac{1}{\Phi_k(\tau)} \left[ r(\tau)(u(z, \tau), \varphi_k(z_k)) + (F_0(z, \tau), \varphi_k(z_k)) + (u(z, \tau), \varphi_k''(z_k)) - w_k(\tau, u) \right] u(y, \tau) dy.$$

On  $M(\bar{Q})$  we consider the operator  $P = (P_1, P_2)$ :

$$(P_1 v)(x, t) = u_0(x, t) + \int_0^t d\tau \int_{\Omega} G_0(x - y, t - \tau) r(\tau) v(y, \tau) dy -$$

$$- \int_0^t \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{d\tau}{\Phi_k(\tau)} \int_{\Omega} \frac{\partial}{\partial y_k} G_0(x - y, t - \tau) \left[ r(\tau) (v(z, \tau), \varphi_k(z_k)) + (F_0(z, \tau), \varphi_k(z_k)) - \right.$$

$$\left. - w_k(\tau, v) + (v(z, \tau), \varphi_k''(z_k)) \right] v(y, \tau) dy,$$

and  $P_2 v = (P_{2,1} v, \dots, P_{2,n} v)$ ,

$$(P_{2,j} v)(x, t) = w_j(t, u_0) +$$

$$+ {}^c D_t^\beta \int_0^t d\tau \int_{\Omega} (G_0(x - y, t - \tau), \varphi_j(x_j)) r(\tau) (v(z, \tau), \varphi_j(z_j)) dy -$$

$$- \sum_{k=1}^n {}^c D_t^\beta \int_0^t d\tau \int_{\Omega} \frac{\partial}{\partial y_k} (G_0(x - y, t - \tau), \varphi_j(x_k)) \frac{1}{\Phi_k(\tau)} \left[ r(\tau) (v(z, \tau), \varphi_k(z_k)) + \right.$$

$$\left. + (F_0(z, \tau), \varphi_k(z_k)) + (v(z, \tau), \varphi_k''(z_k)) - w_k(\tau, v) \right] v(y, \tau) dy,$$

$$(x, t) \in \bar{Q}, v \in M(\bar{Q}), j \in \{1, \dots, n\}.$$

For  $v \in M(\bar{Q})$  with  $Q = \Omega \times (0, T_0]$  let

$$\|v\| := \|v\|_{\sigma, M} = \max[\|v\|_{\sigma}, \max_{j \in \{1, \dots, n\}} \|w_j\|_{\sigma}],$$

$$\|Pv\| = \|Pv\|_{\sigma, M} = \max[\|P_1 v\|_{\sigma}, \max_{j \in \{1, \dots, n\}} \|P_{2,j} v\|_{\sigma}],$$

$$M_R(\bar{Q}) = \{v \in M(\bar{Q}) : \|v\| = \|v\|_{\sigma, M} \leq R\}.$$

By assumptions and Theorem 1,  $u_0 \in C_{2,\beta}(\bar{Q})$ ,  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} u_0(x, t) \in C(\bar{Q})$ . Moreover, by Lemma 2, it exists positive constant  $d_0 = d_0(T_0)$  such that  $\|u_0\| = \|u_0\|_{\sigma, M} \leq d_0$ .

By using Lemma 2, for each  $v \in M_R(\bar{Q})$  with  $R \geq \max\{1, \|F_0\|_{\sigma}\}$  we obtain

$$\|P_1 v\|_{\sigma} = \sup_{t \in (0, T]} e^{-\sigma t} \|(P_1 v)(\cdot, t)\|_{\sigma} \leq$$

$$\leq \|u_0\|_{\sigma} + \sup_{t \in (0, T]} \left\{ \left| \int_0^t d\tau \int_{\Omega} e^{-(t-\tau)\sigma} G_0(x - y, t - \tau) r(\tau) e^{-\tau\sigma} v(y, \tau) dy \right| + \right.$$

$$\left. + \left| \sum_{j=1}^n \int_0^t \frac{1}{\Phi_j(\tau)} d\tau \int_{\Omega} e^{-(t-2\tau)\sigma} \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j} G_0(x - y, t - \tau) \left[ (e^{-\tau\sigma} v(z, \tau), \varphi_k''(z_k)) + r(\tau) \varphi_k(z_k) \right] + \right. \right.$$

$$\left. + (e^{-\tau\sigma} F_0(z, \tau), \varphi_k(z_k)) - e^{-\tau\sigma} w_k(\tau, v) \right] e^{-\tau\sigma} v(y, \tau) dy \Bigg\} \leq$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\leq d_0 + C_\sigma \max_{\tau \in [0, T]} |r(\tau)| \cdot \|v\|_\sigma + \frac{\max\{C_{\sigma,0}, C_{\sigma,2}\} e^{T\sigma}}{\psi_0} \sum_{k=1}^n \left[ (\|F_0\|_\sigma + \right. \\
 &+ \max_{\tau \in [0, T]} |r(\tau)| \cdot \|v\|_\sigma \int_{\Omega} |\varphi_k(z_k)| dz + \|v\|_\sigma \int_{\Omega} |\varphi_k''(z_k)| dz + \|w_k\|_\sigma \left. \right] \|v\|_\sigma \leq \\
 &\leq d_0 + d_1 C_\sigma R + d_2 \max\{C_{\sigma,0}, C_{\sigma,2}\} e^{T\sigma} R^2 \leq d_0 + d_3 \max\{C_\sigma, C_{\sigma,0}, C_{\sigma,2}\} e^{T\sigma} R^2, \\
 &\|P_{2,j}v\|_\sigma = \sup_{t \in (0, T]} e^{-\sigma t} \|(P_{2,j}v)(\cdot, t)\|_\sigma \leq \sup_{t \in (0, T]} \left\{ \|w_j(t, u_0)\|_\sigma + \right. \\
 &+ \left| {}^c D_t^\beta \int_0^t d\tau \int_{\Omega} e^{-(t-\tau)\sigma} G_0(x-y, t-\tau) r(\tau) (e^{-\tau\sigma} v(z, \tau), \varphi_j(z_j)) dy + \right. \\
 &+ \sum_{k=1}^n {}^c D_t^\beta \int_0^t d\tau \int_{\Omega} e^{-(t-2\tau)\sigma} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial y_k} G_0(x-y, t-\tau), \varphi_j(x_k) \right) \times \\
 &\quad \times \frac{1}{\Phi_k(\tau)} \left[ r(\tau) (e^{-\tau\sigma} v(z, \tau), \varphi_k(z_k)) + \right. \\
 &+ (e^{-\tau\sigma} F_0(z, t), \varphi_k(z_k)) + (e^{-\tau\sigma} v(z, \tau), \varphi_k''(z_k)) - w_k(t, e^{-\tau\sigma} v) \left. \right] e^{-\tau\sigma} v(y, \tau) dy \left. \right\} \leq \\
 &\leq d_0 + d_3 \max\{C_\sigma, C_{\sigma,0}, C_{\sigma,2}, C_{\sigma,3}\} e^{T\sigma} R^2, \quad j \in \{1, \dots, n\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, for each  $v \in M_{\sigma, R}$ ,

$$\|Pv\| \leq d_0 + d_3 \max\{C_\sigma, C_{\sigma,0}, C_{\sigma,2}, C_{\sigma,3}\} e^{T\sigma} R^2.$$

We choose  $R \geq \max[1, \|F_0\|_\sigma, 2d_0]$ . Then  $d_0 \leq \frac{R}{2}$ . Using that  $C_\sigma \rightarrow 0$ ,  $C_{\sigma, j} \rightarrow 0$  ( $j \in \{0, 2, 3\}$ ) if  $\sigma \rightarrow \infty$  we may choose  $\sigma_0$  such that

$$d_3 \widehat{C} = d_3 \max\{C_{\sigma_0}, C_{\sigma_0,0}, C_{\sigma_0,2}, C_{\sigma_0,3}\} < \frac{1}{8R}.$$

Then we choose  $T_1 \in (0, T_0]$  such that  $e^{\sigma_0 T_1} < 4$  and for all  $T \in (0, T_1]$  obtain

$$\|Pv\| < \frac{R}{2} + \frac{R}{2} = R.$$

Similarly, for each  $v_1, v_2 \in M_R$ ,  $T \in (0, T_1]$  we get

$$\|Pv_1 - Pv_2\| < d_3 \widehat{C} e^{T\sigma_0} R \|v_1 - v_2\| < \frac{1}{2} \|v_1 - v_2\|.$$

By the Banach theorem on a fixed point and the equivalence of norms  $\|v\|_{C(\bar{Q})}$  and  $\|v\|_\sigma$  we obtain the unique solvability of the equation (10) in  $M(\bar{Q})$  for any  $T \in (0, T_1]$ .

Let  $(u_1, r_{1,1}, \dots, r_{n,1}), (u_2, r_{1,2}, \dots, r_{n,2}) \in C_{2,\beta}(\bar{Q}) \times (C[0, T])^n$  be two solutions of the problem (1)–(4). Then for  $u = u_1 - u_2$ ,  $r_j = r_{j,1} - r_{j,2}$  ( $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ ), we obtain the

problem

$$\begin{aligned} (Lu)(x, t) &= r(t)u(x, t) + \sum_{j=1}^n [r_{j,2}(t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} u(x, t) + r_j(t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} u_2(x, t)], \quad (x, t) \in Q, \\ u(x, t) &= 0, \quad x \in \partial\Omega, \quad t \in [0, T], \\ u(x, 0) &= 0, \quad x \in \bar{\Omega}, \\ (u(z, t), \varphi'_j(z_j)) &= 0, \quad t \in [0, T], \quad j \in \{1, \dots, n\}. \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

As above, we get that  $u$  satisfies the equation

$$\begin{aligned} u(x, t) &= \int_0^t d\tau \int_{\Omega} G_0(x - y, t - \tau) r(\tau) u(y, \tau) dy - \\ &- \sum_{j=1}^n \int_0^t d\tau \int_{\Omega} \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j} G_0(x - y, t - \tau) [r_{j,2}(\tau) u(y, \tau) + r_j(\tau) u_2(y, \tau)] dy, \quad (x, t) \in \bar{Q}. \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

By using the overdetermination conditions, from the equation of the problem (13), we find

$$r_j(t) = \frac{1}{\Phi_j(t)} \left[ r(t)(u(z, t), \varphi_j(z_j)) + (u(z, t), \varphi'_j(z_j)) - {}^c D_{\tau}^{\beta} (u(z, \tau), \varphi_j(z_j)) \right], \quad (15)$$

$j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ . In assumptions,  $r_j \in C[0, T]$ ,  $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ . After substituting (15) in (14) the last one takes the form

$$\begin{aligned} u(x, t) &= \int_0^t d\tau \int_{\Omega} G_0(x - y, t - \tau) r(\tau) u(y, \tau) dy - \\ &- \int_0^t d\tau \int_{\Omega} \frac{\partial}{\partial y_k} G_0(x - y, t - \tau) \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{\Phi_k(\tau)} \left\{ r_{k,2}(\tau) u(y, \tau) + [r(\tau)(u(z, \tau), \varphi_k(z_k)) - \right. \\ &\quad \left. - {}^c D_{\tau}^{\beta} (u(z, \tau), \varphi_k(z_k)) + (u(z, \tau), \varphi'_k(z_k))] u_2(y, \tau) \right\} dy, \quad (x, t) \in \bar{Q}. \end{aligned}$$

We obtain the linear homogeneous integro-differential equation of the second kind that, by proven above, has the unique solution  $u = 0$  in  $M(\bar{Q})$ . Then (15) implies  $r_j(t) = 0$ ,  $t \in [0, T]$ ,  $j \in 1, \dots, n$ .  $\square$

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## ВИЗНАЧЕННЯ КОЕФІЦІЄНТІВ ПЕРШОГО ПОРЯДКУ В РІВНЯННІ ДИФУЗІЇ З ДРОБОВОЮ ПОХІДНОЮ ЗА ЧАСОМ

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Досліджуємо обернену задачу про визначення класичного розв'язку першої крайової задачі для рівняння дифузії з дробовою похідною за часом та залежних від часу неперервних коефіцієнтів при похідних першого порядку у рівнянні. Використовуємо інтегральні за просторовими змінними умови перевизначення. Знаходимо достатні умови локальної за часом однозначної розв'язності оберненої задачі.

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