

## Ex. 6.2

Consider the space-fractional Fisher equation:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = -d \left( -\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \right)^{\alpha/2} u + \gamma u(1-u), & x \in (0,1), t \in (0,T], \\ u(x,0) = 0.1 e^{-50(x-\frac{1}{2})^2} \end{cases}$$

with periodic boundary conditions and  $d = 10^{-3}, \gamma = 5, T = 1$ .

For  $\Delta x = 0.01$ , apply the IMEX-method from lecture 4, and an appropriate stepsize  $\Delta t$ , to the ODE-systems:

" $\alpha = 1/2$ ": 1) 
$$\begin{cases} \dot{\vec{u}}(t) = \frac{-d}{\sqrt{2}} (\sqrt{D_3} + \sqrt{-D_3}) \vec{u}(t) + \vec{f}(\vec{u}(t)), \\ \vec{u}(0) = \vec{u}_0, \end{cases}$$

2) 
$$\begin{cases} \dot{\vec{u}}(t) = -d \sqrt{\sqrt{(-D_2)^3}} \vec{u}(t) + \vec{f}(\vec{u}(t)), \\ \vec{u}(0) = \vec{u}_0. \end{cases}$$

- \* Use "\" to solve the linear system in each time-step  $t^n \rightarrow t^{n+1}$ .
- \* Compare the solutions in 1) and 2).
- \* Use sqrtn in Matlab for  $-\sqrt{D_3}, \sqrt{-D_3}, -\sqrt{\sqrt{(-D_2)^3}}$ .
- \* Do not forget to include the periodic boundary conditions in the matrices in 1) and 2) !
- \* Finally, compare the solutions with the ODE-system, if we use the matrix  $D_2$  instead of  $-\sqrt{D_3}$ , etcetera.