

Existence Of Solutions For Nonlinear Fractional Differential Equation With Integral Boundary Conditions

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Abstract. In this paper we discuss the existence of solutions defined in $C [0,T]$ for boundary value problems for a nonlinear fractional differential equation with a integral condition. The results are derived by using the Ascoli-Arzela theorem and Schauder-Tychonoff fixed point theorem.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Fractional boundary value problem occur in mechanics and many related fields of engineering and mathematical physics, see Ahmad and Ntouyas [2], Darwish and Ntouyas [4], Hamani, Benchohra and Graef [6], Kilbas, Srivastava and Trujillo [7] and references therein. Various problems has faced in different fields such as population dynamics, blood flow models, chemical engineering and cellular systems that can be modeled to a nonlinear fractional differential equation with integral boundary conditions. Recently, many authors focused on boundary value problems for fractional differential equations, see Ahmad and Nieto [1], Darwish and Ntouyas [4] and the references therein. Some works has been published by many authors on existence and uniqueness of solutions for nonlocal and integral boundary value problems such as Ahmad and Ntouyas [2] and Hamani, Benchohra and Graef [6].

In this paper we prove the existence of the solutions of a nonlinear fractional differential equation with an integral boundary condition at the right end point of $[0,T]$ in $C [0,T]$, where $C [0,T]$ is the space of all continuous functions over $[0,T]$, which results are based on Ascoli-Arzela theorem and Schauder-Tychonoff fixed point theorem.

II. PRELIMINARIES

In this section we introduce definitions, lemmas and theorems which are used throughout this paper. For references see Barrett [3], Kilbas, Srivastava and Trujillo [7] and references therein.

Definition 2.1. Let f be a function which is defined almost everywhere on $[a,b]$. For $\alpha > 0$, we define:

$${}_a^b D^{-\alpha} f = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_a^b f(t)(b-t)^{\alpha-1} dt$$

provided that this integral exists in Lebesgue sense, where Γ is the gamma function.

Lemma 2.2. Assume that $f \in C(0,1) \cap L(0,1)$ with a fractional derivative of order $\alpha > 0$ that belongs to $C(0,1) \cap L(0,1)$, then

$$D_{0^+}^{-\alpha} D_{0^+}^{\alpha} f(t) = f(t) + C_1 t^{\alpha-1} + C_2 t^{\alpha-2} + \dots + C_n t^{\alpha-n}$$

for some $C_i \in R$; $i=1, 2, \dots, n$, where n is the smallest integer greater than or equal to α .

Lemma 2.3. Let $\alpha, \beta \in R$, $\beta > -1$. If $x > a$, then

$${}_a^x I^{\alpha} \frac{(x-a)^{\beta}}{\Gamma(\beta+1)} = \begin{cases} \frac{(x-a)^{\beta+\alpha}}{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta+1)} & ; \alpha + \beta \neq \text{negative integer} \\ 0 & ; \alpha + \beta = \text{negative integer} \end{cases}$$

Lemma 2.4. The following relation ${}_a^x D^{-\alpha} {}_a^x D^{-\beta} f = {}_a^x D^{-(\alpha+\beta)} f$ holds if

a. $\alpha > 0, \beta > 0$ and the function $f(x) \in C$ on a closed interval $[a, b]$.

b. $\alpha \leq 0$ or $\alpha + n > 0, \beta > 0$ and the function $f(x) \in C^{(n)}$ on a closed interval $[a, b]$.

Lemma 2.5. If $\alpha > 0$ and $f(x)$ is continuous on $[a, b]$, then ${}_a^x D^{-\alpha} f(x)$ exists and it is continuous with respect to x on $[a, b]$.

Theorem 2.6. (The Arzela Ascoli Theorem)

Let F be an equicontinuous, uniformly bounded family of real valued functions f on an interval I (finite or infinite). Then F contains a uniformly convergent sequence of function f_n , converging to a function $f \in C(I)$ where $C(I)$ denotes the space of all continuous bounded functions on I . Thus any sequence in F contains a uniformly bounded convergent subsequence on I and consequently F has a compact closure in $C(I)$.

Theorem 2.7. (Schauder-Tychonoff Fixed Point Theorem)

Let B be a locally convex, topological vector space. Let Y be a compact, convex subset of B and T a continuous map of Y into itself. Then T has a fixed point $y \in Y$.

III. MAIN RESULT

The statements and proofs for the main results are carried out in this section.

Lemma 3.1. Let $f(t, x(t))$ and $h(t, x(t))$ belong to $C[0, T]$, and $1 < \alpha \leq 2$, then the solution of

$$D^\alpha x(t) = f\left(t, x(t), \int_0^t h(t, \tau, x(\tau)) d\tau\right), \quad t \in (0, T) \tag{3.1}$$

$$x^{(\alpha-2)}(0) = 0 \tag{3.2}$$

$$x^{(\alpha-1)}(T) = a \int_0^\eta x(\tau) d\tau \tag{3.3}$$

Where $\eta \in (0, T)$ and a is a constant, is given by

$$x(t) = \frac{t^{\alpha-1}}{\theta - \Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^T f(t, x(t), \int_0^T h(t, \tau, x(\tau)) d\tau) dt - \frac{at^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)(\theta - \Gamma(\alpha))} \int_0^\eta (\eta - \tau)^\alpha f(\tau, x(\tau), \int_0^T h(\tau, s, x(s)) ds) d\tau + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^t (t - \tau)^{\alpha-1} f\left(\tau, x(\tau), \int_0^T h(\tau, s, x(s)) ds\right) d\tau$$

Where $\theta = \frac{a}{\alpha} \eta^\alpha$ and $\theta \neq \Gamma(\alpha)$.

Proof. Operate both sides of equation (3.1) by the operator $D^{-\alpha}$, to obtain

$$D^{-\alpha} D^\alpha x(t) = D^{-\alpha} f\left(t, x(t), \int_0^t h(t, \tau, x(\tau)) d\tau\right)$$

From Lemma (2.1), we get

$$x(t) = C_1 t^{\alpha-1} + C_2 t^{\alpha-2} + D^{-\alpha} f\left(t, x(t), \int_0^t h(t, \tau, x(\tau)) d\tau\right) \tag{3.4}$$

Now, operate both sides of equation (3.4) by the operator $D^{\alpha-1}$, to have

$$D^{\alpha-1} x(t) = D^{\alpha-1} C_1 t^{\alpha-1} + D^{\alpha-1} C_2 t^{\alpha-2} + D^{\alpha-1} D^{-\alpha} f\left(t, x(t), \int_0^t h(t, \tau, x(\tau)) d\tau\right) \tag{3.5}$$

From Lemma (2.2) and Lemma (2.3), $D^{\alpha-1} C_1 t^{\alpha-1} = C_1 \Gamma(\alpha)$, $D^{\alpha-1} C_2 t^{\alpha-2} = 0$ and

$$D^{\alpha-1}D^{-\alpha}f\left(t,x(t),\int_0^T h(t,\tau,x(\tau))d\tau\right)=D^{-1}f\left(t,x(t),\int_0^T h(t,\tau,x(\tau))d\tau\right)$$

Therefore equation (3.5) can be written as

$$D^{\alpha-1}x(t)=C_1\Gamma(\alpha)+{}_0^I D^{-1}f\left(t,x(t),\int_0^T h(t,\tau,x(\tau))d\tau\right) \quad (3.6)$$

Now, operating on both sides of equation (3.4) by the operator $D^{\alpha-2}$ and using again Lemma (2.2) and Lemma (2.3), equation (3.4) takes the form

$$D^{\alpha-2}x(t)=C_1\Gamma(\alpha)t+C_2\Gamma(\alpha-1)+{}_0^I D^{-2}f\left(t,x(t),\int_0^T h(t,\tau,x(\tau))d\tau\right) \quad (3.7)$$

Now from the condition (3.2) and equation (3.7), it follows that $C_2=0$, and from the condition (3.3) and equation (3.6) we get

$$\begin{aligned} a\int_0^\eta x(\tau)d\tau &= C_1\Gamma(\alpha)+\int_0^T f\left(t,x(t),\int_0^T h(t,\tau,x(\tau))d\tau\right)dt \\ aC_1\int_0^\eta \tau^{\alpha-1}d\tau + \frac{a}{\Gamma(\alpha)}\int_0^\eta \int_0^\tau (\tau-s)^{\alpha-1}f\left(s,x(s),\int_0^T h(s,z,x(z))dz\right)dsd\tau &= C_1\Gamma(\alpha)+\int_0^T f\left(t,x(t),\int_0^T h(t,\tau,x(\tau))d\tau\right)dt \\ C_1 &= \frac{1}{\theta-\Gamma(\alpha)}\left[\int_0^T f\left(t,x(t),\int_0^T h(t,\tau,x(\tau))d\tau\right)dt - \frac{a}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)}\int_0^\eta (\eta-\tau)^\alpha f\left(\tau,x(\tau),\int_0^T h(\tau,s,x(s))ds\right)d\tau\right] \end{aligned}$$

Where $\theta = \frac{a}{\alpha}\eta^\alpha$ and $\theta \neq \Gamma(\alpha)$, therefore the solution of the given boundary value problem takes the form

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= \frac{t^{\alpha-1}}{\theta-\Gamma(\alpha)}\int_0^T f(t,x(t),\int_0^T h(t,\tau,x(\tau))d\tau)dt - \frac{at^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)(\theta-\Gamma(\alpha))}\int_0^\eta (\eta-\tau)^\alpha f(\tau,x(\tau), \\ &\quad \int_0^T h(\tau,s,x(s))ds)d\tau + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)}\int_0^t (t-\tau)^{\alpha-1}f\left(\tau,x(\tau),\int_0^T h(\tau,s,x(s))ds\right)d\tau. \end{aligned}$$

Theorem: Assume that $f(t,x(t))$ and $h(t,x(t))$ belong to $C[0,T]$, then the fractional boundary value problem (3.1-3) has a unique solution on $[0,T]$.

Proof: Let $X = \{x(t); x(t) \in C[0,T]\}$ and the mapping $T : C[0,T] \rightarrow C[0,T]$ defined by

$$\begin{aligned} Tx(t) &= \frac{t^{\alpha-1}}{\theta-\Gamma(\alpha)}\left[\int_0^T f(t,x(t),\int_0^T h(t,\tau,x(\tau))d\tau)dt - \frac{a}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)}\int_0^\eta (\eta-\tau)^\alpha \right. \\ &\quad \left. f(\tau,x(\tau),\int_0^T h(\tau,s,x(s))ds)d\tau\right] + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)}\int_0^t (t-\tau)^{\alpha-1}f\left(\tau,x(\tau),\int_0^T h(\tau,s,x(s))ds\right)d\tau \quad (3.8) \end{aligned}$$

in order to apply the Schauder-Tychonoff fixed point theorem, we should prove the following steps

Step1: T maps X into itself.

Let $x \in X$, since f is continuous on $[0,T]$, it guarantees that all the terms on (3.8) are continuous. Thus

T maps Y into itself

Step2: T is a continuous mapping on X .

Let $\{x_n(t)\}_{n=1}^\infty$ be a sequence in X such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n(t) = x(t)$ where $x(t) \in C[0,T]$, consider

$$\begin{aligned} \|Tx_n(t) - Tx(t)\| &= \\ &= \left\| \frac{t^{\alpha-1}}{\theta-\Gamma(\alpha)} \left\{ \int_0^T (f(t,x_n(t),\int_0^T h(t,\tau,x_n(\tau))d\tau) - f(t,x(t),\int_0^T h(t,\tau,x(\tau))d\tau))dt \right. \right. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - \frac{a}{\Gamma(\alpha + 1)} \int_0^\eta (\eta - \tau)^\alpha \left[f(\tau, x_n(\tau), \int_0^\tau h(\tau, s, x_n(s)) ds) - f(\tau, x(\tau), \int_0^\tau h(\tau, s, x(s)) ds) \right] d\tau \Bigg\} \\
 & + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^t (t - \tau)^{\alpha-1} \left[f(\tau, x_n(\tau), \int_0^\tau h(\tau, s, x_n(s)) ds) - f(\tau, x(\tau), \int_0^\tau h(\tau, s, x(s)) ds) \right] d\tau \Bigg\| \quad (3.9)
 \end{aligned}$$

the right hand side of the equation (3.9) tends to zero as n tends to infinity, since f is a continuous function and the sequence $\{x_n(t)\}_{n=1}^\infty$ converges to $x(t)$, that is

$$|x_n(t) - x(t)| \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

Also since f is bounded hence by Lebesgue's dominated convergence theorem we have

$$\|Tx_n(t) - Tx(t)\| \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

therefore T is a continuous mapping on X .

Step3: The closure of $TX = \{Tx(t) ; x(t) \in X\}$ is compact.

To prove step3 we will prove that the family TX is uniformly bounded and equicontinuous. TX is uniformly bounded as shown in step1, for proving the equicontinuity, let $t_1, t_2 \in (0, T]$ such that $t_1 < t_2$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
 |Tx(t_2) - Tx(t_1)| &= \left| \frac{t_2^{\alpha-1}}{\theta - \Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^T f(t_2, x(t_2), \int_0^T h(t_2, \tau, x(\tau)) d\tau) dt_2 \right. \\
 & - \frac{at_2^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha + 1)(\theta - \Gamma(\alpha))} \int_0^\eta (\eta - \tau)^\alpha f(\tau, x(\tau), \int_0^T h(\tau, s, x(s)) ds) d\tau \\
 & + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{t_2} (t_2 - \tau)^{\alpha-1} f(\tau, x(\tau), \int_0^T h(\tau, s, x(s)) ds) d\tau \\
 & - \frac{t_1^{\alpha-1}}{\theta - \Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^T f(t_1, x(t_1), \int_0^T h(t_1, \tau, x(\tau)) d\tau) dt_1 \\
 & + \frac{at_1^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha + 1)(\theta - \Gamma(\alpha))} \int_0^\eta (\eta - \tau)^\alpha f(\tau, x(\tau), \int_0^T h(\tau, s, x(s)) ds) d\tau \\
 & \left. - \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{t_1} (t_1 - \tau)^{\alpha-1} f(\tau, x(\tau), \int_0^T h(\tau, s, x(s)) ds) d\tau \right|
 \end{aligned}$$

By continuity of f on $[0, T]$ there exists a positive constant M such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 |Tx(t_2) - Tx(t_1)| &\leq \left| \frac{t_2^{\alpha-1}}{\theta - \Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^T M dt_2 - \frac{at_2^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha + 1)(\theta - \Gamma(\alpha))} \int_0^\eta (\eta - \tau)^\alpha M d\tau \right. \\
 & + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{t_2} (t_2 - \tau)^{\alpha-1} M d\tau - \frac{t_1^{\alpha-1}}{\theta - \Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^T M dt_1 \\
 & \left. + \frac{at_1^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha + 1)(\theta - \Gamma(\alpha))} \int_0^\eta (\eta - \tau)^\alpha M d\tau - \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{t_1} (t_1 - \tau)^{\alpha-1} M d\tau \right| \\
 &= \left| \frac{MT}{\theta - \Gamma(\alpha)} (t_2^{\alpha-1} - t_1^{\alpha-1}) - \frac{aM}{\Gamma(\alpha + 1)(\theta - \Gamma(\alpha))} (t_2^{\alpha-1} - t_1^{\alpha-1}) \int_0^\eta (\eta - \tau)^\alpha d\tau \right. \\
 & \left. + \frac{M}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \left[\int_0^{t_2} (t_2 - \tau)^{\alpha-1} d\tau - \int_0^{t_1} (t_1 - \tau)^{\alpha-1} d\tau \right] \right| \\
 &= \left| \frac{MT}{\theta - \Gamma(\alpha)} (t_2^{\alpha-1} - t_1^{\alpha-1}) - \frac{aM\eta^{\alpha+1}}{\Gamma(\alpha + 2)(\theta - \Gamma(\alpha))} (t_2^{\alpha-1} - t_1^{\alpha-1}) \right|
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \frac{M}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \left[\int_0^{t_1} [(t_2 - \tau)^{\alpha-1} - (t_1 - \tau)^{\alpha-1}] d\tau + \int_{t_1}^{t_2} (t_2 - \tau)^{\alpha-1} d\tau \right] \\
 = & \left| \frac{MT}{\theta - \Gamma(\alpha)} (t_2^{\alpha-1} - t_1^{\alpha-1}) - \frac{aM\eta^{\alpha+1}}{\Gamma(\alpha+2)(\theta - \Gamma(\alpha))} (t_2^{\alpha-1} - t_1^{\alpha-1}) \right. \\
 & \left. + \frac{M}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \left[\frac{t_2^\alpha}{\alpha} - \frac{(t_2 - t_1)^\alpha}{\alpha} + \frac{(t_2 - t_1)^\alpha}{\alpha} - \frac{t_1^\alpha}{\alpha} \right] \right|
 \end{aligned}$$

$$|Tx(t_2) - Tx(t_1)| \leq$$

$$\left| \frac{MT}{\theta - \Gamma(\alpha)} (t_2^{\alpha-1} - t_1^{\alpha-1}) - \frac{aM\eta^{\alpha+1}}{\Gamma(\alpha+2)(\theta - \Gamma(\alpha))} (t_2^{\alpha-1} - t_1^{\alpha-1}) + \frac{M}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} (t_2^\alpha - t_1^\alpha) \right|$$

when t_1 tends to t_2 , with $|t_1 - t_2| < \delta$, we have $|Tx(t_2) - Tx(t_1)| < \varepsilon$, which proves that the family TX is equicontinuous. Thus by Ascoli-Arzela theorem, TX has a compact closure. In view of step1, step2 and step3, the Schauder-Tychonoff fixed point theorem guarantees that T has at least one fixed point $x \in X$, that is $Tx(t) = x(t)$.

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