

Solvability of a boundary value problem of self-reference functional differential equation with infinite point and integral conditions



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Abstract

The existence of solutions of a boundary value problem of self-reference functional differential equation with infinite point and integral conditions will be studied. Some properties of solution will be given. Two examples to illustrate main results.

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1. Introduction

Many investigators have interested in studying nonlocal problem of the functional differential equations with infinite point conditions, in order to achieve various goals; see [6–8, 10, 12, 15, 20, 21].

The differential and integral equations with deviating arguments that appear in recent literature, the deviation of the argument usually involves only the time itself, see [1, 2]. However, another case, in which the deviating arguments depend on both the state variable x and the time t , is of importance in theory and practice. Several papers have appeared recently that are devoted to such kind of differential equations, see for example [3–5, 9, 11, 16–19] and the references cited therein.

Here we are concerning with the nonlocal problem of functional differential equation with self-dependence on a nonlinear integral operator

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = f\left(t, x\left(\int_0^t g(s, x(s)) ds\right)\right), \quad \text{a.e., } t \in (0, T], \quad (1.1)$$

with the nonlocal condition

$$\sum_{k=1}^m a_k x(\tau_k) = x_0, \quad \tau_k \in (0, T). \quad (1.2)$$

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The existence of solutions $x \in AC[0, T]$ will be studied. The continuous dependence of the unique solution on x_0 , on the functional g and on the nonlocal parameter a_k will be proved.

As applications, the nonlocal problem of equation (1.1) with the integral condition

$$\int_0^T x(s) dg(s) = x_0 \quad (1.3)$$

and the infinite-point boundary condition

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k x(\tau_k) = x_0 \quad (1.4)$$

will be studied.

2. Integral representation

Consider the nonlocal problem of functional differential equation (1.1)-(1.2) with the assumptions:

1. $f : [0, T] \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfies Carathéodory condition, i.e., f is measurable in t for any $x \in \mathbb{R}$ and continuous in x for almost all $t \in [0, T]$. There exist a bounded measurable function $c(t)$ and a positive constant $b > 0$, such that

$$|f(t, x)| \leq c(t) + b|x|, \quad |c(t)| \leq M;$$

2. $g : [0, T] \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ satisfies Carathéodory condition, i.e., g is measurable in t for any $x \in \mathbb{R}$ and continuous in x for almost all $t \in [0, T]$ such that $|g(t, x)| \leq 1$;
3. $2bT < 1$.

Definition 2.1. By a solution of the nonlocal problem (1.1)-(1.2) we mean an absolutely continuous function $x \in AC[0, T]$ that satisfies the nonlocal problem itself.

Theorem 2.2. Let $B^{-1} = \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \neq 0$ and the assumptions 1-3 be satisfied, then the nonlocal problem (1.1)-(1.2) and the functional integral equation

$$x(t) = B^{-1} \left[x_0 - \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds \right] + \int_0^t f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds, \quad t \in [0, T], \quad (2.1)$$

are equivalent.

Proof. Let the solution of the nonlocal problem (1.1)-(1.2) exists. Integrating both sides of (1.1) we obtain

$$x(t) = x(0) + \int_0^t f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds. \quad (2.2)$$

Using the nonlocal condition (1.2), we obtain

$$\sum_{k=1}^m a_k x(\tau_k) = x(0) \sum_{k=1}^m a_k + \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds,$$

then we can deduce that

$$x(0) = B^{-1} \left[x_0 - \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds \right]. \quad (2.3)$$

Using (2.2) and (2.3), we obtain

$$x(t) = B^{-1} \left[x_0 - \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds \right] + \int_0^t f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds.$$

Conversely, let $x \in AC[0, T]$ be a solution of the functional integral equation (2.1). Differentiation (2.1) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dx}{dt} &= \frac{d}{dt} \left\{ B^{-1} \left[x_0 - \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds \right] + \int_0^t f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds \right\} \\ &= 0 + \frac{d}{dt} \int_0^t f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds = f \left(t, x \left(\int_0^t g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) \in L^1[0, T]. \end{aligned}$$

Also, from the integral equation (2.1), we obtain

$$x(\tau_k) = B^{-1} \left[x_0 - \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds \right] + \int_0^{\tau_k} f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds,$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^m a_k x(\tau_k) &= \sum_{k=1}^m a_k B^{-1} \left[x_0 - \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds \right] \\ &\quad + \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\sum_{k=1}^m a_k x(\tau_k) = x_0. \quad \square$$

3. Existence of solution

Theorem 3.1. *Let the assumptions 1-3 be satisfied, then the nonlocal problem (1.1)-(1.2) has at least one solution $x \in AC[0, T]$.*

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} |x(0)| &= \left| B^{-1} \left[x_0 - \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds \right] \right| \\ &\leq B^{-1} \left[|x_0| + \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} \left| f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) \right| ds \right] \\ &\leq B^{-1} \left[|x_0| + \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} \left(c(s) + b \left| x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) - x(0) \right| + b|x(0)| \right) ds \right] \\ &\leq B^{-1} \left[|x_0| + \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} (c(s) + bL \int_0^s |g(\theta, x(\theta))| d\theta + b|x(0)|) ds \right] \\ &\leq B^{-1} |x_0| + TM + bLT^2 + bT|x(0)|. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$|x(0)| \leq \frac{B^{-1}|x_0| + TM + bLT^2}{1 - bT}. \tag{3.1}$$

Define the operator A associated with the integral equation (2.1). As

$$Ax(t) = B^{-1} \left[x_0 - \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds \right] + \int_0^t f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds,$$

and the set S_L by $S_L = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : |x(t) - x(s)| \leq L|t - s|, \forall t, s \in [0, T]\}$, $L = \frac{bB^{-1}|x_0|+M}{1-2bT}$. Then we have, for $x \in S_L$

$$\begin{aligned} |Ax(t)| &= \left| B^{-1} \left[x_0 - \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds \right] + \int_0^t f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds \right| \\ &\leq B^{-1} \left[|x_0| + \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} \left| f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) \right| ds \right] + \int_0^t \left| f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) \right| ds \\ &\leq B^{-1} \left[|x_0| + \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} \left(c(s) + b|x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds \right] \\ &\quad + \int_0^t \left(c(s) + b|x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds \\ &\leq B^{-1} \left[|x_0| + \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} \left(c(s) + b|x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) - x(0)| + b|x(0)| \right) ds \right] \tag{3.2} \\ &\quad + \int_0^t \left(c(s) + b|x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) - x(0)| + b|x(0)| \right) ds \\ &\leq B^{-1} \left[|x_0| + \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} \left(c(s) + bL \int_0^s |g(\theta, x(\theta))| d\theta + b|x(0)| \right) ds \right] \\ &\quad + \int_0^t \left(c(s) + bL \int_0^s |g(\theta, x(\theta))| d\theta + b|x(0)| \right) ds \\ &\leq B^{-1}|x_0| + TM + bLT^2 + bT|x(0)| + TM + bLT^2 + bT|x(0)| \\ &= B^{-1}|x_0| + 2TM + 2bLT^2 + 2bT|x(0)|. \end{aligned}$$

From (3.1) and (3.2) we get

$$\begin{aligned} |Ax(t)| &\leq B^{-1}|x_0| + 2TM + 2bLT^2 + 2bT \left(\frac{B^{-1}|x_0| + TM + bLT^2}{1 - bT} \right) \\ &= \frac{B^{-1}|x_0| + bTB^{-1}|x_0| + 2TM + 2bLT^2}{1 - bT} = \frac{B^{-1}|x_0| + TM + bLT^2}{1 - bT} + LT. \end{aligned}$$

Now, let $t_1, t_2 \in (0, T]$ such that $|t_2 - t_1| < \delta$, then

$$\begin{aligned} |Ax(t_2) - Ax(t_1)| &\leq \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \left| f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) \right| ds \\ &\leq \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \left(c(s) + b|x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) - x(0)| + b|x(0)| \right) ds \\ &\leq \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \left(c(s) + bL \int_0^s |g(\theta, x(\theta))| d\theta + b|x(0)| \right) ds \tag{3.3} \\ &\leq (t_2 - t_1)M + (t_2 - t_1)bLT + (t_2 - t_1)b|x(0)| \\ &= (t_2 - t_1)(M + bLT + b|x(0)|). \end{aligned}$$

From (3.1) and (3.3)

$$\begin{aligned} |Ax(t_2) - Ax(t_1)| &\leq (t_2 - t_1) \left(M + bLT + b \left(\frac{B^{-1}|x_0| + TM + bLT^2}{1 - bT} \right) \right) \\ &\leq (t_2 - t_1) \frac{bB^{-1}|x_0| + M + bLT}{1 - bT} = (t_2 - t_1)L. \end{aligned}$$

This proves that $A : S_L \rightarrow S_L$, the class of functions $\{Ax\}$ is uniformly bounded and equi-continuous in S_L . Let $x_n \in S_L, x_n \rightarrow x (n \rightarrow \infty)$, then from continuity of the functions f and g , we obtain $f(t, x_n(t), y_n(t)) \rightarrow f(t, x(t), y(t))$ and $g(t, x_n(t)) \rightarrow g(t, x(t))$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Also

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Ax_n(t) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(B^{-1} \left[x_0 - \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} f \left(s, x_n \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x_n(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds \right] \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \int_0^t f \left(s, x_n \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x_n(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds \right). \end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} |x_n \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x_n(\theta)) d\theta \right) - x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right)| &\leq |x_n \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x_n(\theta)) d\theta \right) - x_n \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right)| \\ &\quad + |x_n \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) - x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right)| \\ &\leq L \int_0^s |g(\theta, x_n(\theta)) - g(\theta, x(\theta))| d\theta + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Using assumptions (1)-(2) and Lebesgue dominated convergence Theorem [14] we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Ax_n(t) &= B^{-1} \left[x_0 - \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f \left(s, x_n \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x_n(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds \right] \\ &\quad + \int_0^t \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f \left(s, x_n \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x_n(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds. \end{aligned}$$

Then $Ax_n \rightarrow Ax$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. This mean that the operator A is continuous. Hence by Schauder fixed point Theorem [13] there exist at least one solution $x \in AC[0, T]$ of the nonlocal problem (1.1)-(1.2). \square

4. Nonlocal integral condition

Let $x \in C[0, 1]$ be the solution of the nonlocal problem (1.1)-(1.2). Let $a_k = h(t_k) - h(t_{k-1})$, h is increasing function, $\tau_k \in (t_{k-1}, t_k), 0 = t_0 < t_1 < t_2, \dots < t_m = 1$ then, as $m \rightarrow \infty$ the nonlocal condition (1.2) will be

$$\sum_{k=1}^m (h(t_k) - h(t_{k-1}))x(\tau_k) = x_0.$$

And

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^m (h(t_k) - h(t_{k-1}))x(\tau_k) = \int_0^T x(s)dh(s) = x_0.$$

Theorem 4.1. *Let the assumptions 1-3 be satisfied, then the nonlocal problem of (1.1), (1.3) has at least one solution.*

Proof. As $m \rightarrow \infty$, the solution of the nonlocal problem (1.1)-(1.2) will be

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^m a_k} \left[x_0 - \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds \right] + \int_0^t f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds \\ &= \frac{1}{h(T) - h(0)} \left[x_0 - \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds (h(t_k) - h(t_{k-1})) \right] \\ &\quad + \int_0^t f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds \\ &= \frac{1}{h(T) - h(0)} \left[x_0 - \int_0^T \int_0^t f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds \cdot dh(t) \right] + \int_0^t f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

5. Infinite-point boundary condition

Theorem 5.1. *Let the assumptions 1-3 be satisfied, then the nonlocal problem of (1.1), (1.4) has at least one solution.*

Proof. Let the assumptions of Theorem 3.1 be satisfied. Let $\sum_{k=1}^m a_k$ be convergent, then

$$\begin{aligned} x_m(t) &= \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^m a_k} \left[x_0 - \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds \right] \\ &\quad + \int_0^t f \left(s, x_m \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x_m(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds. \end{aligned} \tag{5.1}$$

Take the limit to (5.1), as $m \rightarrow \infty$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} x_m(t) &= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n a_k} \left[x_0 - \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds \right] \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \int_0^t f \left(s, x_m \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x_m(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds \right] \\ &= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n a_k} \left[x_0 - \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds \right] \\ &\quad + \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^t f \left(s, x_m \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x_m(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds. \end{aligned} \tag{5.2}$$

Now, $|a_k x(\tau_k)| \leq |a_k| \|x\|$, then by comparison test $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k x(\tau_k)$ is convergent. Also

$$\left| \int_0^{\tau_k} f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds \right| \leq \int_0^{\tau_k} (c(s) + b|x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right)|) ds \leq TM + bLT^2 + bT|x(0)|,$$

then $|a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds| \leq |a_k| \cdot M_1$ and by the comparison test $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds$ is convergent. Using assumptions 1-2 and Lebesgue Dominated convergence Theorem [14], from (5.2) we obtain

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k} \left[x_0 - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds \right] + \int_0^t f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) ds.$$

Then we have proved. □

6. Uniqueness of the solution

Let f and g satisfy the following assumptions

4. $f : [0, T] \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is measurable in t for any $x \in \mathbb{R}$ and satisfies the Lipschitz condition

$$|f(t, x) - f(t, u)| \leq b|x - u|;$$

5. $g : [0, T] \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is measurable in t for any $x \in \mathbb{R}$ and satisfies the Lipschitz condition

$$|g(t, x) - g(t, u)| \leq b_1|x - u|;$$

6. $(2bb_1LT^2 + 2bT) < 1$.

Theorem 6.1. *Let the assumptions 4-6 be satisfied, then the solution of the nonlocal problem (1.1)-(1.2) is unique.*

Proof. From assumption 4 we have f is measurable in t for any $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ and satisfies the Lipschitz condition, then it is continuous in $x \in \mathbb{R} \forall t \in [0, T]$, and

$$|f(t, x)| \leq b|x| + |f(t, 0)|.$$

Then condition 1 is satisfied. Also by the same way we can show that assumption 2 satisfied by assumption 5. Now, from Theorem 3.1, the solution of the nonlocal problem (1.1)-(1.2) exists. Let x, y be two solutions of (1.1)-(1.2), then

$$\begin{aligned} |x(t) - y(t)| &\leq B^{-1} \left(\sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} \left| f \left(t, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) - f \left(t, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) \right| ds \right) \\ &\quad + \int_0^t \left| f \left(s, x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) - f \left(s, y \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, y(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right) \right| ds \\ &\leq bB^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} |x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) - y \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, y(\theta)) d\theta \right)| ds \\ &\quad + \int_0^t |x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) - y \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, y(\theta)) d\theta \right)| ds \\ &\leq bB^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} |x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) - x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, y(\theta)) d\theta \right)| ds \\ &\quad + bB^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} |x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, y(\theta)) d\theta \right) - y \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, y(\theta)) d\theta \right)| ds \\ &\quad + b \int_0^t |x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) - x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, y(\theta)) d\theta \right)| ds \\ &\quad + b \int_0^t |x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, y(\theta)) d\theta \right) - y \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, y(\theta)) d\theta \right)| ds \\ &\leq bLB^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} \int_0^s |g(\theta, x(\theta)) - g(\theta, y(\theta))| d\theta ds + bT\|x - y\| \\ &\quad + bL \int_0^t \int_0^s |g(\theta, x(\theta)) - g(\theta, y(\theta))| d\theta ds + bT\|x - y\| \\ &\leq bb_1LB^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} \int_0^s |x(\theta) - y(\theta)| d\theta ds + bT\|x - y\| \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &+ bb_1L \int_0^t \int_0^s |x(\theta) - y(\theta)| d\theta ds + bT \|x - y\| \\
 &\leq 2bb_1LT^2 \|x - y\| + 2bT \|x - y\| = (2bb_1LT^2 + 2bT) \|x - y\|.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$(1 - (2bb_1LT^2 + 2bT)) \|x - y\| \leq 0.$$

Since $(2bb_1LT^2 + 2bT) < 1$, then $x(t) = y(t)$ and the solution of the integral equation (2.1) is unique. \square

7. Continuous dependence

7.1. Continuous dependence on x_0

Definition 7.1. The solution $x \in AC[0, T]$ of the nonlocal problem (1.1)-(1.2) depends continuously on x_0 , if

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta(\epsilon), \text{ s.t., } |x - x_0^*| < \delta \Rightarrow \|x - x^*\| < \epsilon,$$

where x^* is the solution of the nonlocal problem

$$\frac{dx^*}{dt} = f\left(t, x^*\left(\int_0^t g(s, x^*(s)) ds\right)\right), \quad \text{a.e., } t \in (0, T], \tag{7.1}$$

with the nonlocal condition

$$\sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_k x^*(\tau_k) = x_0^*, \quad \tau_k \in (0, T). \tag{7.2}$$

Theorem 7.2. Let the assumptions of Theorem 6.1 be satisfied, then the solution of the nonlocal problem (1.1)-(1.2) depends continuously on x_0 .

Proof. Let x, x^* be two solutions of the nonlocal problem (1.1)-(1.2) and (7.1)-(7.2), respectively, then

$$\begin{aligned}
 |x(t) - y(t)| &\leq B^{-1}|x_0 - x_0^*| + B^{-1} \left(\sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_k \int_0^{\tau_k} \left| f\left(t, x\left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta\right)\right) \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. - f\left(t, x\left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta\right)\right) \right| ds \right) + \int_0^t \left| f\left(s, x\left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta\right)\right) - f\left(s, y\left(\int_0^s g(\theta, y(\theta)) d\theta\right)\right) \right| ds \\
 &\leq B^{-1}\delta + bB^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_k \int_0^{\tau_k} |x(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta) - y(\int_0^s g(\theta, y(\theta)) d\theta)| ds \\
 &\quad + \int_0^t |x(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta) - y(\int_0^s g(\theta, y(\theta)) d\theta)| ds \\
 &\leq B^{-1}\delta + bB^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_k \int_0^{\tau_k} |x(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta) - x(\int_0^s g(\theta, y(\theta)) d\theta)| ds \\
 &\quad + bB^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_k \int_0^{\tau_k} |x(\int_0^s g(\theta, y(\theta)) d\theta) - y(\int_0^s g(\theta, y(\theta)) d\theta)| ds \\
 &\quad + b \int_0^t |x(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta) - x(\int_0^s g(\theta, y(\theta)) d\theta)| ds \\
 &\quad + b \int_0^t |x(\int_0^s g(\theta, y(\theta)) d\theta) - y(\int_0^s g(\theta, y(\theta)) d\theta)| ds \\
 &\leq B^{-1}\delta + bLB^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_k \int_0^{\tau_k} \int_0^s |g(\theta, x(\theta)) - g(\theta, y(\theta))| d\theta ds + bT \|x - y\|
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &+ bL \int_0^t \int_0^s |g(\theta, x(\theta)) - g(\theta, y(\theta))| d\theta ds + bT \|x - y\| \\
 \leq & B^{-1}\delta + bb_1LB^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_k \int_0^{\tau_k} \int_0^s |x(\theta) - y(\theta)| d\theta ds + bT \|x - y\| \\
 &+ bb_1L \int_0^t \int_0^s |x(\theta) - y(\theta)| d\theta ds + bT \|x - y\| \\
 \leq & B^{-1}\delta + 2bb_1LT^2 \|x - y\| + 2bT \|x - y\| \\
 = & B^{-1}\delta + (2bb_1LT^2 + 2bT) \|x - y\|.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\|x - x^*\| \leq \frac{B^{-1}\delta}{[1 - (2bb_1LT^2 + 2bT)]} = \epsilon.$$

Then the solution of the nonlocal problem (1.1)-(1.2) depends continuously on x_0 . □

7.2. Continuous dependence on α_k

Definition 7.3. The solution $x \in AC[0, T]$ of the the nonlocal problem (1.1)-(1.2) depends continuously on α_k , if

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \quad \exists \delta(\epsilon), \quad \text{s.t.,} \quad |\alpha_k - \alpha_k^*| < \delta \Rightarrow \|x - x^*\| < \epsilon,$$

where x^* is the solution of the nonlocal problem

$$\frac{dx^*}{dt} = f\left(t, x^*\left(\int_0^t g(s, x^*(s)) ds\right)\right), \quad \text{a.e.,} \quad t \in (0, T], \tag{7.3}$$

with the nonlocal condition

$$\sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_k^* x^*(\tau_k) = x_0, \quad \tau_k \in (0, T). \tag{7.4}$$

Theorem 7.4. Let the assumptions of Theorem 6.1 be satisfied and $\sup_{t \in [0, T]} \int_0^T |f(s, 0)| ds \leq L_1$, then the solution of the the nonlocal problem (1.1)-(1.2) depends continuously on α_k .

Proof. Let $B^* = \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_k^* \neq 0$ and x and x^* be two solutions of the nonlocal problem (1.1)-(1.2) and (7.3)-(7.4), respectively, then

$$\begin{aligned}
 |x(t) - x^*(t)| &= \left| B^{-1} \left[x_0 - \sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_k \int_0^{\tau_k} f\left(s, x\left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta\right)\right) ds \right] + \int_0^t f\left(s, x\left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta\right)\right) ds \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - B^{*-1} \left[x_0 - \sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_k^* \int_0^{\tau_k} f\left(s, x^*\left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x^*(\theta)) d\theta\right)\right) ds \right] - \int_0^t f\left(s, x^*\left(\int_0^s g(s, x^*(\theta)) d\theta\right)\right) ds \right| \\
 &\leq B^{-1} B^{*-1} m \delta x_0 + B^{*-1} \sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_k^* \int_0^{\tau_k} \left| f\left(s, x^*\left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x^*(\theta)) d\theta\right)\right) - f\left(s, x\left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta\right)\right) \right| ds \\
 &\quad + B^{*-1} \left(\sum_{k=1}^m |\alpha_k^* - \alpha_k| \int_0^{\tau_k} \left| f\left(s, x\left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta\right)\right) \right| ds \right) \\
 &\quad + B^{-1} B^{*-1} \sum_{k=1}^m |\alpha_k - \alpha_k^*| \sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_k \int_0^{\tau_k} \left| f\left(s, x\left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta\right)\right) \right| ds \\
 &\quad + \int_0^t \left| f\left(s, x(s), \int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta\right) - f\left(s, x^*(s), \int_0^s g(s, x^*(\theta)) d\theta\right) \right| ds,
 \end{aligned}$$

using the Lipschitz condition, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 |x(t) - x^*(t)| &\leq B^{-1}B^{*-1}m\delta x_0 + B^{*-1} \sum_{k=1}^m a_k^* \int_0^{\tau_k} b [|x^*(\int_0^s g(\theta, x^*(\theta))d\theta) \\
 &\quad - x^*(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta))d\theta)| + |x^*(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta))d\theta) - x(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta))d\theta)|] ds \\
 &\quad + B^{*-1}m\delta(Tb\|x\| + L_1) + B^{*-1}m\delta(Tb\|x\| + L_1) \\
 &\quad + b \int_0^t [|x(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta))d\theta) - x(\int_0^s g(s, x^*(\theta))d\theta)| \\
 &\quad + |x(\int_0^s g(s, x^*(\theta))d\theta) - x^*(\int_0^s g(s, x^*(\theta))d\theta)|] ds \\
 &\leq B^{-1}B^{*-1}m\delta x_0 + 2bLb_1T^2\|x - x^*\| + 2bT\|x^* - x\| \\
 &\quad + B^{*-1}m\delta(Tb\|x\| + L_1) + B^{*-1}m\delta(Tb\|x\| + L_1).
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\|x - x^*\| \leq \frac{mx_0 + 2Bm(Tb\|x\| + L_1)}{[1 - (2bLb_1T^2 + 2bT)]B \cdot B^*} \cdot \delta = \epsilon.$$

Therefore the solution of the nonlocal problem (1.1)-(1.2) depends continuously on a_k . □

7.3. Continuous dependence on the functional g

Definition 7.5. The solution $x \in AC[0, T]$ of the nonlocal problem (1.1)-(1.2) depends continuously on the functional g , if

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \quad \exists \delta(\epsilon), \quad \text{s.t.}, \quad |g - g^*| < \delta \Rightarrow \|x - x^*\| < \epsilon,$$

where x^* is the solution of the nonlocal problem

$$\frac{dx^*}{dt} = f\left(t, x^*\left(\int_0^t g^*(s, x^*(s))ds\right)\right), \quad \text{a.e.}, \quad t \in (0, T], \tag{7.5}$$

with the nonlocal condition

$$\sum_{k=1}^m a_k x^*(\tau_k) = x_0, \quad \tau_k \in (0, T). \tag{7.6}$$

Theorem 7.6. Let the assumptions of Theorem 6.1 be satisfied, then the solution of the nonlocal problem (1.1)-(1.2) depends continuously on the function g .

Proof. Let x and x^* be two solutions of the nonlocal problem (1.1)-(1.2) and (7.5)-(7.6), respectively, then

$$\begin{aligned}
 |x(t) - x^*(t)| &= \left| B^{-1} \left[x_0 - \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} f\left(t, x\left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta))d\theta\right)\right) ds \right] + \int_0^t f\left(t, x\left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta))d\theta\right)\right) ds \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - B^{-1} \left[x_0 - \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} f\left(t, x^*\left(\int_0^s g^*(\theta, x^*(\theta))d\theta\right)\right) ds \right] + \int_0^t f\left(t, x^*\left(\int_0^s g^*(\theta, x^*(\theta))d\theta\right)\right) ds \right| \\
 &\leq \left| B^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} \left| f\left(t, x\left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta))d\theta\right)\right) - f\left(t, x^*\left(\int_0^s g^*(\theta, x^*(\theta))d\theta\right)\right) \right| ds \right| \\
 &\quad + \int_0^t \left| f\left(t, x\left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta))d\theta\right)\right) - f\left(t, x^*\left(\int_0^s g^*(\theta, x^*(\theta))d\theta\right)\right) \right| ds \\
 &\leq bB^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} |x(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta))d\theta) - x^*(\int_0^s g(\theta, x^*(\theta))d\theta)| ds
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + b \int_0^t \left| x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) - x^* \left(\int_0^s g^*(\theta, x^*(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right| ds \\
 \leq & bB^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} \left| x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) - x \left(\int_0^s g^*(\theta, x^*(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right| ds \\
 & + bB^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} \left| x \left(\int_0^s g^*(\theta, x^*(\theta)) d\theta \right) - x^* \left(\int_0^s g^*(\theta, x^*(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right| ds \\
 & + b \int_0^t \left| x \left(\int_0^s g(\theta, x(\theta)) d\theta \right) - x \left(\int_0^s g^*(\theta, x^*(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right| ds \\
 & + b \int_0^t \left| x \left(\int_0^s g^*(\theta, x^*(\theta)) d\theta \right) - x^* \left(\int_0^s g^*(\theta, x^*(\theta)) d\theta \right) \right| ds \\
 \leq & bLB^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} \int_0^s |g(\theta, x(\theta)) - g^*(\theta, x^*(\theta))| d\theta ds + bT \|x - x^*\| ds \\
 & + bL \int_0^t \int_0^s |g(\theta, x(\theta)) - g^*(\theta, x^*(\theta))| d\theta ds + bT \|x - x^*\| ds \\
 \leq & bLB^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \int_0^{\tau_k} \int_0^s [|g(\theta, x(\theta)) - g(\theta, x^*(\theta))| \\
 & + |g(\theta, x^*(\theta)) - g^*(\theta, x^*(\theta))|] d\theta ds + bT \|x - x^*\| ds \\
 & + bL \int_0^t \int_0^s [|g(\theta, x(\theta)) - g(\theta, x^*(\theta))| + |g(\theta, x^*(\theta)) - g^*(\theta, x^*(\theta))|] d\theta ds + bT \|x - x^*\| ds \\
 \leq & 2bLb_1T^2 \|x - x^*\| + 2bT \|x - x^*\| + 2bLT^2\delta.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\|x - x^*\| \leq \frac{2bLT^2\delta}{[1 - (2bLb_1T^2 + 2bT)]} = \epsilon.$$

This mean that the solution of the nonlocal problem (1.1)-(1.2) depends continuously on the functional g . □

8. Examples

In this section we offer some examples to illustrate our results.

Example 8.1. Consider the following nonlinear differential equation

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{1}{3}t^3 + \frac{\ln(1 + |x(\int_0^t \frac{\cos^2(x)}{s + e^{|\ln(s)|}})|)}{5 + t^2}, \quad t \in (0, 1], \tag{8.1}$$

with nonlocal condition

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^4} x\left(\frac{k-1}{k}\right) = 1. \tag{8.2}$$

Set

$$f\left(t, x\left(\int_0^t g(s, x(s)) ds\right)\right) = \frac{1}{3}t^3 + \frac{\ln(1 + |x(\int_0^t \frac{\cos^2(x)}{s + e^{|\ln(s)|}})|)}{5 + t^2}.$$

Then

$$\left| f\left(t, x\left(\int_0^t g(s, x(s)) ds\right)\right) \right| \leq \frac{1}{3}t^3 + \frac{1}{5}(|x|),$$

and also

$$|g(s, x(s))| \leq 1.$$

It is clear that the assumptions 1-3 of Theorem 3.1 are satisfied with $|c(t)| = |\frac{1}{3}t^3| \leq \frac{1}{3}$ is measurable bounded, $b = \frac{1}{5}$, $2bT = \frac{2}{5} < 1$, $L = \frac{(\frac{1}{5})(\frac{\pi^4}{90}) + \frac{1}{3}}{1 - \frac{2}{5}} \simeq 0.92$, and the series: $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^4}$ is convergent. Therefore, by applying Theorem 3.1, the given nonlocal problem (8.1)-(8.2) has a solution.

Example 8.2. Consider the following nonlinear differential equation

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{1}{4}(t+1) + \frac{x(\int_0^t \frac{s}{\sin^2(s)+e^{|\sin(s)|}} ds)}{\sqrt{t+9}}, \quad t \in (0, 1], \quad (8.3)$$

with nonlocal condition

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^6} x\left(\frac{k^2+k-1}{k^2+k}\right) = 0. \quad (8.4)$$

Set

$$f\left(t, x\left(\int_0^t g(s, x(s)) ds\right)\right) = \frac{t}{4} + \frac{x\left(\int_0^t \frac{\sin^2(s)}{s+e^{|\sin(s)|}} ds\right)}{\sqrt{t+9}}.$$

Then

$$\left|f\left(t, x\left(\int_0^t g(s, x(s)) ds\right)\right)\right| \leq \frac{t}{4} + \frac{1}{3}|x|,$$

and also

$$|g(s, x(s))| \leq 1.$$

It is clear that the assumptions 1-3 of Theorem 3.1 are satisfied with $|c(t)| = |\frac{t}{4}| \leq \frac{1}{4}$ is measurable bounded, $b = \frac{1}{3}$, $2bT = \frac{2}{3} < 1$, $L = \frac{\frac{1}{4}}{1 - \frac{2}{3}} = \frac{3}{4}$, and the series: $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^6}$ is convergent. Therefore, by applying Theorem 3.1, the given nonlocal problem (8.3)-(8.4) has a solution.

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