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# IMPULSIVE BOUNDARY VALUE PROBLEMS FOR FRACTIONAL DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS WITH DEVIATING ARGUMENTS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we prove the sufficient conditions for the existence of piecewise continuous ( $\mathcal{PC}$ ) mild solutions to nonlinear impulsive boundary value problems for fractional differential equations with deviating arguments. The results are obtained by using the Banach fixed point and Krasnoselskii's fixed point theorems.

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

In our earlier work [4], we have studied the following impulsive fractional integrodifferential equations with deviating arguments in a complex Banach space  $(X, \|.\|)$ 

$$CD_{t}^{\eta}u(t) = Au(t) + f(t, u(t), u(\psi(t, u(t)))) + \int_{0}^{t} a(t, \tau)g(\tau, u(\tau))d\tau, t \in J = [0, T], t \neq t_{j}; \Delta u|_{t=t_{j}} \equiv I_{j}(u(t_{j}^{-})) = u(t_{j}^{+}) - u(t_{j}^{-}), j = 1, 2, \cdots, m, u(0) = u_{0} \in X,$$

$$(1)$$

where  $u : \mathbb{R}_+ \to X$ . The functions  $f : \mathbb{R}_+ \times X \times X \to X$ ,  $g : \mathbb{R}_+ \times X \to X$ and  $\psi : \mathbb{R}_+ \times X \to \mathbb{R}_+$  are three non-linear functions and satisfy some appropriate conditions. Here we assume that  $-A : D(A) \subset X \to X$ , for each  $t \ge 0$ , generates an analytic semigroup of bounded linear operators on X and  $a : [0,T] \times [0,T]$ is a complex valued uniformly Hölder continuous function on [0,T] for a fixed  $T \in [0,\infty)$ .

The objective of this article is to study the impulsive boundary value problems for nonlinear differential equations of fractional order with deviating arguments

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where  $0 < \alpha < 1$ , the fractional derivative  ${}^{c}D_{t}^{\alpha}$  is to be understood in Caputo sense and  $J_{t}^{\alpha}$  denote the Riemann-Liouville integral of order  $\alpha$ ,  $f : \mathbb{R}_{+} \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ and  $h : \mathbb{R}_{+} \times \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  are nonlinear functions and will satisfy some appropriate assumptions.  $0 = t_{0} < t_{1} < t_{2} \cdots < t_{m} < t_{m+1} = T$ ,  $I_{j} \in C(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}) (j = 1, 2, ..., m)$ are bounded functions.  $I_{j}(u(t_{j})) = u(t_{j}^{+}) - u(t_{j}^{-}), u(t_{j}^{+}) = \lim_{\epsilon \to 0^{-}} u(t_{j} + \epsilon)$  represent the right and left limits of u(t) at  $t = t_{j}$ , respectively.

Fractional calculus is a significant and useful branch of mathematics that studies the integration or differentiation of any (i.e., non-integer) order. In the past decades, the theory of fractional differential equations has become an important area of investigation because of its wide applicability in many branches of physics, economics and technical sciences. For general motivations, relevant theory and its applications, we refer the reader to [2, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18, 19] and references cited therein.

Impulsive effects are common in the process where the short-term perturbations are to be considered of which duration is negligible in comparison with the total duration of the original process. The governing equations of such phenomena may be modelled as impulsive differential equations. The differential equations with memory effects and impulse effects are modelled as impulsive integro-differential equations.

The study of impulsive nonlinear boundary value problems of fractional differential equations has gained much attention and developed as an interesting branch of research. This is mainly due to a variety of results ranging from theoretical analysis to stability, semistability, asymptotic behavior and numerical methods for fractional equations in the literature. Recently, the impulsive boundary value problems for fractional differential equations has been extensively studied by many authors, see [1, 3, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 17, 20, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29] and references cited therein.

On the other hand, for the earlier works on the existence and uniqueness of solutions to functional differential equations with deviating arguments, we refer the reader to [4, 6, 7, 21, 22, 23, 24] and references cited therein.

# 2. Preliminaries and Assumptions

In this section, we will introduce some basic definitions, notations, lemmas and propositions that are useful throughout this paper.

**Definition** [2, Def. 1.2] Let  $f \in L^1((0,T), X)$  and  $\alpha \ge 0$ . Then the expression

$$J_t^{\alpha} f(t) = (f * \Theta_{\alpha})(t) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^t (t-s)^{\alpha-1} f(s) ds, \ t > 0, \ \alpha > 0,$$
(3)

where  $I_t^0 f(t) = f(t)$  and

$$\Theta_{\alpha}(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} t^{\alpha-1}, \ t > 0, \\ 0, \qquad t \le 0, \end{cases}$$

and  $\Theta_0(t) = 0$ , is called a Reimann-Liouville integral of order  $\alpha$  of f.

**Definition** [2, Def. 1.3] Let  $f \in C^{m-1}((0,T), X)$ ,  $(\Theta_{m-\alpha} * f) \in W^{m,1}((0,T), X)$ ,  $0 \leq C^{m-1}(0,T) = C^{m-1}(0,T)$  $m-1 < \alpha < m, m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then the expression

$${}^{c}D_{t}^{\alpha}f(t) = D_{t}^{m}J_{t}^{m-\alpha}\Big(f(t) - \sum_{0}^{m-1}f^{i}(0)\Theta_{i+1}(t)\Big),\tag{4}$$

where  $D_t^m = \frac{d^m}{dt^m}$ , is called the Caputo fractional derivative of order  $\alpha$  of f. Let  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  be open subsets of  $\mathbb{R}$ . For each  $v_1, v_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ , there exist balls such that  $B_1(v_1, r_1) \subset V_1$  and  $B_2(v_2, r_2) \subset V_2$  for any  $r_1, r_2 > 0$ .

(H1) There exists  $L_f = L_f(t, v_1, v_2, r_1, r_2) > 0$  such that the nonlinear map  $f: [0,T] \times V_1 \times V_2 \to \mathbb{R}$  satisfies the following condition,

$$|f(t, u, v) - f(t, u_1, v_1)| \le L_f\{|u - u_1| + |v - v_1|_L\}$$

for all  $u, u_1 \in V_1, v, v_1 \in V_2$  and  $t \in [0, T]$ .

(H2) There exists  $L_h = L_h(t, v_1, r_1)$  such that  $h(0, \cdot) = 0$  and  $h: [0, T] \times V_1 \to 0$ [0,T] satisfies the following condition,

$$|h(t, u) - h(t, v)| \le L_h |u - v|,$$
(5)

for all  $u, v \in V_1, t \in [0, T]$ .

The functions  $I_j : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  are continuous and there exist positive constant (H3)  $D_i$  such that

$$|I_j(u)| \le D_j, \ j = 1, 2, \cdots, m$$

(H4) There exist positive constants  $d_j$  such that

$$|I_j(u) - I_j(v)| \le d_j |u - v|, \ j = 1, 2, \cdots, m.$$

**Lemma** Let  $0 < \alpha < 1$  and  $f : J \to \mathbb{R}$  be continuous. A function  $u \in C(J, \mathbb{R})$ given by

$$u(t) = u_0 + \int_0^t f(s)ds,$$

is the solution of the following Cauchy problems of fractional order

$${}^{c}D_{t}^{\alpha}u(t) = J_{t}^{1-\alpha}f(t), \ 0 < \alpha < 1, \\ u(0) = u_{0} \in \mathbb{R}.$$
(6)

**Definition** Let  $h: [0,T] \to \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous function. A function u is a solution of the fractional integral equation (7)

$$u(t) = \begin{cases} \int_{0}^{t} h(s)ds - \frac{1}{a+b} \Big[ \sum_{r=1}^{m} bI_{r}(u(t_{r})) + b \int_{0}^{T} h(s) - c \Big], \text{ for } t \in [0, t_{1}], \\ I_{1}(u(t_{1})) + \int_{0}^{t} h(s)ds \\ -\frac{1}{a+b} \Big[ \sum_{r=1}^{m} bI_{r}(u(t_{r})) + b \int_{0}^{T} h(s) - c \Big], \text{ for } t \in (t_{1}, t_{2}], \\ \vdots \\ \sum_{j=1}^{m} I_{j}(u(t_{j})) + \int_{0}^{t} h(s)ds \\ -\frac{1}{a+b} \Big[ \sum_{r=1}^{m} bI_{r}(u(t_{r})) + b \int_{0}^{T} h(s) - c \Big], \text{ for } t \in (t_{m}, T], \end{cases}$$
(7)

if and only if u is a solution of the following impulsive boundary value problem

$$\begin{cases} {}^{c}D_{t}^{\alpha} = J_{t}^{1-\alpha}h(t), \ t \in [0,T], t \neq t_{j}, \ 0 < \alpha < 1, \\ \Delta u|_{t=t_{j}} = I_{j}(u(t_{j})), \ j = 1, \cdots, m, \\ au(0) + bu(T) = c \end{cases}$$
(8)

For more details, we refer to [1, Lemma 5.2].

## 3. The main results

We define the set  $\mathcal{PC}(J,\mathbb{R})$  as follows

$$\Upsilon_0 = \mathcal{PC}(J, \mathbb{R}) = \{ u : [0, T] \to \mathbb{R} : u(.) \text{ is continuous at } t \neq t_j, \\ u(t_i^-) = u(t_j), \ u(t_i^+) \text{ exist, for all } j = 1, 2, \cdots, m \}.$$

 $\mathcal{PC}(J,\mathbb{R})$  is a Banach space endowed with the supremum norm

$$|u|_{\mathcal{PC}} := \max\{\sup_{t \in J} |u(t+0)|, \sup_{t \in J} u(t-0)\}.$$

Now, we define another space

$$\Upsilon_L = \{ u \in \Upsilon_0 : |u(t) - u(s)| \le L|t - s|, \text{ for all } t \in [t_j, t_{j+1}], \ j = 0, 1, \cdots, m \}$$

where L is a suitable positive constant to be specified later.

**Theorem** Let  $u_0 \in \Upsilon_0$  and the assumptions (H1)-(H4) hold. Then the problem (2) has a unique mild solution on [0, T] provided that

$$\left(1 + \frac{|b|}{|a+b|}\right)(NT + \sum_{r=1}^{m} D_r) + \frac{|c|}{|a+b|} \le R,\tag{9}$$

and

$$\left(1 + \frac{|(b)|}{|a+b|}\right) \left[ L_f(2 + LL_h)T + \sum_{r=1}^m d_r \right] < 1.$$
(10)

*Proof.* We define a map  $\mathcal{F}: \Omega \to \Omega$ , given by

$$(\mathcal{F}u)(t) = \begin{cases} \int_0^t f(s, u(s), u(h(s, u(s))) ds \\ -\frac{1}{a+b} \Big[ \sum_{r=1}^m b I_r(u(t_r)) + b \int_0^T f(s, u(s), u(h(s, u(s))) ds - c \Big], \ t \in [0, t_1], \\ I_1(u(t_1)) + \int_0^t f(s, u(s), u(h(s, u(s))) ds \\ -\frac{1}{a+b} \Big[ \sum_{r=1}^m b I_r(u(t_r)) + b \int_0^T f(s, u(s), u(h(s, u(s))) ds - c \Big], \ t \in (t_1, t_2], \quad (11) \\ \vdots \\ \sum_{j=1}^m I_j(u(t_j)) + \int_0^t f(s, u(s), u(h(s, u(s))) ds \\ -\frac{1}{a+b} \Big[ \sum_{r=1}^m b I_r(u(t_r)) + b \int_0^T f(s, u(s), u(h(s, u(s))) ds - c \Big], \ t \in (t_m, T], \end{cases}$$

where  $u \in \Omega = \{u \in \Upsilon_0 \cap \Upsilon_L : u(0) = u_0, |u|_{\mathcal{PC}} \leq R\}$ . Then  $\Omega$  is a closed and bounded subset of  $\Upsilon_L$  and also a complete metric space.

Clearly,  $\mathcal{F}u \in \Upsilon_0$ .

Assumptions (H1)-(H2) and  $u \in \Upsilon_L$  imply that f(t, u(t), u(h(t, u(t)))) is continuous on [0, T]. Hence, there exist positive constants

$$N = 2L_f R(1 + LL_h) + N_0 > 0$$
 and  $N_0 = |f(0, u_0, u_0)|,$ 

such that

$$|f(t, u(t), u(h(t, u(t)))| \le N, \text{ for } t \in [0, T].$$
 (12)

At first we show that  $\mathcal{F}u \in \Upsilon_L$  for a suitable constant L, when  $u \in \Upsilon_L$ .

Let  $u \in \Upsilon_L$ , then for each  $s_1, s_2 \in [0, t_1], (t_1, t_2], \cdots, (t_m, T]$  with  $s_2 > s_1 > 0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} |(\mathcal{F}u)(s_2) - (\mathcal{F}u)(s_1)| &\leq \int_{s_1}^{s_2} |f(s, u(s), u(h(s, u(s)))| ds \\ &\leq N(s_2 - s_1). \end{aligned}$$
(13)

Thus, we have  $\mathcal{F}u \in \Upsilon_L$  for a suitable constant

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$$L = N.$$

Next, we will prove that  $\mathcal{F}: \Omega \to \Omega$ . Let  $t \in [0, t_1]$  and  $u \in \Omega$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathcal{F}u(t)| &\leq \int_{0}^{t} |f(s, u(s), u(h(s, u(s)))| ds \\ &+ \frac{1}{|a+b|} \Big[ \sum_{r=1}^{m} |b| \ |I_{r}(u(t_{r}))| + |b| \int_{0}^{T} |f(s, u(s), u(h(s, u(s)))| ds + |c| \Big] \\ &\leq NT + \frac{1}{|a+b|} \Big[ \sum_{r=1}^{m} |b| \ D_{r} + |b| \ NT + |c| \Big]. \end{aligned}$$
(14)

Let  $t \in (t_j, t_{j+1}]$  for each  $j = 1, \dots, m$  and  $u \in \Omega$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathcal{F}u(t)| &\leq \sum_{r=1}^{j} |I_{r}(u(t_{r}))| + \int_{0}^{t} |f(s,u(s),u(h(s,u(s)))| ds \\ &+ \frac{1}{|a+b|} \Big[ \sum_{r=1}^{m} |b| |I_{r}(u(t_{r}))| + |b| \int_{0}^{T} |f(s,u(s),u(h(s,u(s)))| ds + |c| \Big] \\ &\leq NT + \sum_{r=1}^{j} D_{r} + \frac{1}{|a+b|} \Big[ \sum_{r=1}^{m} |b| |D_{r} + |b| |NT + |c| \Big]. \end{aligned}$$
(15)

Thus, from (14), (15) and (9), it is clear that

$$|\mathcal{F}u(t)| \le R,$$

for any  $t \in [0, T]$ . Therefore,  $\mathcal{F} : \Omega \to \Omega$ .

Finally, we prove that  $\mathcal{F}$  is a contraction on  $\Omega$ . Let  $t \in [0, t_1]$  with  $u, v \in \Omega$ 

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathcal{F}u(t) - \mathcal{F}v(t)| &\leq \int_{0}^{t} |f(s, u(s), u(h(s, u(s))) - f(s, v(s), v(h(s, v(s))))| ds \\ &+ \frac{1}{|a+b|} \Big[ \sum_{r=1}^{m} |b| \; |I_{r}(u(t_{r})) - I_{r}(v(t_{r}))| \\ &+ |b| \int_{0}^{T} |f(s, u(s), u(h(s, u(s))) - f(s, v(s), v(h(s, v(s)))| ds \Big]. \end{aligned}$$

$$(16)$$

Also, we note that

$$\begin{aligned} |f(s, u(s), u(h(s, u(s))) - f(s, v(s), v(h(s, v(s))))| \\ &\leq L_f[|u(s) - v(s)| + |u(h(s, u(s))) - v(h(s, v(s)))|_L] \\ &\leq L_f[2|u - v|_{\mathcal{PC}} + L|h(s, u(s)) - h(s, v(s))|] \\ &\leq L_f[2 + LL_h]|u - v|_{\mathcal{PC}}. \end{aligned}$$
(17)

Now, we use (17) in (16), we get

$$|\mathcal{F}u(t) - \mathcal{F}v(t)| \le \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{|b|}{|a+b|} \right) L_f(2 + LL_h) T + \frac{|b|}{|a+b|} \sum_{r=1}^m d_r \right] |u-v|_{\mathcal{PC}}.$$

Similarly, for  $t \in (t_j, t_{j+1}], j = 1, 2, \cdots, m$ , we have

$$|(\mathcal{F}u)(t) - (\mathcal{F}v)(t)| \le \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{|b|}{|a+b|} \right) L_f(2 + LL_h) T + \sum_{r=1}^j d_r + \frac{|b|}{|a+b|} \sum_{r=1}^m d_r \right] |u-v|_{\mathcal{PC}}.$$
(18)

Thus, for each  $t \in [0, T]$ , we have

$$|(\mathcal{F}u)(t) - (\mathcal{F}v)(t)|$$

$$\leq \left(1 + \frac{|b|}{|a+b|}\right) \left[L_f(2 + LL_h)T + \sum_{r=1}^m d_r\right] |u-v|_{\mathcal{PC}}.$$
(19)

Therefore, the map  $\mathcal{F}$  is a contraction map on  $\Omega$ , hence  $\mathcal{F}$  has a unique fixed point  $u \in \Omega$ . That is, problem (2) has a unique mild solution.

We recall the following classical result due to Krasnoselskii.

**Theorem** Let  $\mathcal{M}$  be a closed convex and nonempty subset of a Banach space B. Let  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  be the operators such that

- (i).  $\mathcal{A}x + \mathcal{B}y \in \mathcal{M}$  whenever  $x, y \in \mathcal{M}$ .
- (ii).  $\mathcal{A}$  is compact and continuous.
- (iii).  $\mathcal{B}$  is a contraction mapping.

Then there exists a unique  $x_0 \in \mathcal{M}$  such that  $x_0 = \mathcal{A}x_0 + \mathcal{B}x_0$ .

**Theorem** Let  $f : [0,T] \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous function with  $|f(t,u,v)| \leq M_f$ , for all  $(t,u,v) \in [0,T] \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ . Then problem (2) has at least one solution on [0,T].

*Proof.* Let us choose

$$r_0 \ge M_f T + \sum_{r=1}^m D_r + \frac{1}{|a+b|} \Big[ \sum_{r=1}^m |b| \ D_r + |b| \ M_f T + |c| \Big],$$

and denote

$$B_{r_0} = \{ u \in \mathcal{PC}(J, \mathbb{R}) : |u|_{\mathcal{PC}} \le r_0 \}.$$

Let  $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{F}_1 + \mathcal{F}_2$ , the operators  $\mathcal{F}_1$  and  $\mathcal{F}_2$  are defined as

$$(\mathcal{F}_1 u)(t) = \int_0^t f(s, u(s), u(h(s, u(s))) ds - \frac{b}{a+b} \int_0^T f(s, u(s), u(h(s, u(s))) ds$$
$$(\mathcal{F}_2 u)(t) = \sum_{r=1}^j (I_r u)(t) - \frac{1}{a+b} \Big[ \sum_{r=1}^m b I_r(u(t_r))(t) - c \Big], \ j = 1, \cdots, m,$$

where  $u \in B_{r_0}$ .

Then, for each  $t \in [0, t_1]$  and for any  $u, v \in B_{r_0}$ , we get

$$|\mathcal{F}_1 u + \mathcal{F}_2 v|_{\mathcal{PC}} \le M_f T + \frac{1}{|a+b|} \Big[ \sum_{r=1}^m |b| \ D_r + |b| \ M_f T + |c| \Big] \le r_0.$$

Similarly, for each  $t \in (t_j, t_{j+1}], j = 1, 2, \cdots, m$ , we get

$$|\mathcal{F}_1 u + \mathcal{F}_2 v|_{\mathcal{PC}} \le M_f T + \sum_{r=1}^j D_r + \frac{1}{|a+b|} \Big[ \sum_{r=1}^m |b| \ D_r + |b| \ M_f T + |c| \Big] \le r_0.$$

Therefore, for each  $t \in [0, T]$  and for any  $u, v \in B_{r_0}$ , we get

$$|\mathcal{F}_{1}u + \mathcal{F}_{2}v|_{\mathcal{PC}} \leq M_{f}T + \sum_{r=1}^{m} D_{r} + \frac{1}{|a+b|} \Big[\sum_{r=1}^{m} |b| \ D_{r} + |b| \ M_{f}T + |c|\Big] \leq r_{0}.$$

Thus,  $\mathcal{F}_1 u + \mathcal{F}_2 v \in B_{r_0}$ .

 $\mathcal{F}_2$  is a constant map and hence compact. Also,  $\mathcal{F}_2$  is a contraction on  $B_{r_0}$  with the constant zero.

Our next aim is to prove that the operator  $\mathcal{F}_1$  is compact.

The continuity of f implies that  $\mathcal{F}_1$  is continuous and

$$|(\mathcal{F}_1 u)(t)| \le \left(1 + \frac{|b|}{|a+b|}\right) M_f T, \text{ for any } u \in B_{r_0},$$

i.e.,  $\mathcal{F}_1$  is uniformaly bounded on  $B_{r_0}$ .

Let  $t_1, t_2 \in (t_j, t_{j+1}]$  with  $t_1 < t_2, \ j = 0, 1, \dots, m$  and  $u \in B_{r_0}$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} |(\mathcal{F}_{1}u)(t_{2}) - (\mathcal{F}_{1}u)(t_{1})| &= |\int_{0}^{t_{2}} f(s, u(s), u(h(s, u(s))))ds \\ &- \int_{0}^{t_{1}} f(s, u(s), u(h(s, u(s))))ds| \\ &\leq \int_{t_{1}}^{t_{2}} |f(s, u(s), u(h(s, u(s))))|ds \\ &\leq M_{f}(t_{2} - t_{1}), \end{aligned}$$
(20)

Thus,  $|(\mathcal{F}_1 u)(t_2) - (\mathcal{F}_1 u)(t_1)|$  tends to zero as  $t_2 \to t_1$ , for any  $u \in B_{r_0}$ . This gives that  $\mathcal{F}_1$  is equicontinuous on the interval  $(t_j, t_{j+1}], j = 0, 1, \cdots, m$ . Therefore  $\mathcal{F}_1$  is relatively compact on  $B_{r_0}$ .

Hence, by Arzela-ascoli's theorem,  $\mathcal{F}_1$  is compact on  $B_{r_0}$ . Therefore, Krasnoselskii's fixed point theorem ensures that  $\mathcal{F}$  has a fixed point, which ensures the existence and uniqueness of a mild solution.

# 4. Applications

Let us consider the following nonlinear Cauchy problems for impulsive boundary value problems of fractional order

$$\begin{cases} {}^{c}D_{t}^{\alpha}u(t) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(1-\alpha)}\int_{0}^{t}(t-s)^{-\alpha}f(s,u(s),u(h(s,u(s))))ds, \ t \in (0,1], \ t \neq \frac{1}{2} \\ \Delta u|_{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{|(u(\frac{1}{2})|}{(2+t)(1+|(u(\frac{1}{2})|)}, \\ u(0) = -u(1). \end{cases}$$
(21)

Case 1. we define

$$f(t, u(t), u(h(t, u(t)))) = \frac{1}{(3+t^3)} \Big[ \frac{|u(t)|}{6(1+|u(t))} + \frac{|u(\frac{1}{3}u(t)))|}{(1+|u(\frac{1}{3}u(t)))} \Big],$$
(22)

where  $u \in C^1([0,1], [0,1])$ . Then, clearly  $u \in C_L([0,1], [0,1])$ , where

$$C_L([0,1],[0,1]) = \{u : |u(t) - u(s)|_L \le L|t-s|, \text{ for all } t, s \in [0,1]\}$$

Hence, f will satisfy the condition

$$|f(t, u_1, v_1) - f(t, u_2, v_2)| \le L_f\{|u_1 - u_2| + |v_1 - v_2|_L\},\$$

with  $L_f = \frac{1}{9}$ .

Case 2. we may define

$$f(t, u(t), u(h(t, u(t)))) = \frac{e^{-t}(\cos(u(t)) + \sin(u(\frac{1}{2}u(t)))}{(2+t^2)(e^t + e^{-t})} + e^{-t}, \ t \in [0, 1],$$
  
$$u \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Clearly,

$$|f(t, u, v)| \le \frac{2e^{-t}}{(2+t^2)(e^t + e^{-t})} + e^{-t} = m(t),$$

with  $m(t) \in L^{\infty}([0,1]; \mathbb{R}_+)$ . Also, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |I(u_1\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)) - I(u_2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right))| &\leq \frac{1}{2}|u_1\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - u_2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)|,\\ |I(u\left(\frac{1}{2}\right))| &\leq \frac{1}{2}|u\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)|. \end{aligned}$$

Thus all the assumptions of Theorem (3) and Theorem (3) are satisfied. Therefore, system (21) has at least one  $\mathcal{PC}$ - mild solution.

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