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# On a three step crisis integro-differential equation

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## Abstract

One of the interesting fractional integro-differential equations is the three step crisis equation which has been reviewed recently. In this paper, we investigate the existence of solutions for a three step crisis fractional integro-differential equation under some boundary conditions.

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## 1 Preliminaries

It is well known that we can make better exact models for most natural phenomena by using fractional differential equations. Most researchers are working on fractional integro-differential equations (see, for example, [1, 2, 5–8, 10–21]).

In 2010, Agarwal et al. reviewed the existence of solutions  $D^\alpha u(t) + f(t, u(t)) = 0$  with boundary conditions  $u'(0) = \dots = u^{(n-1)}(0) = 0$  and  $u(1) = \int_0^1 u(s) d\mu(s)$ , where  $n \geq 2$ ,  $\alpha \in (n-1, n)$ ,  $\mu(s)$  is a functional of bounded variation,  $f$  may have singularity at  $t = 0$  and  $\int_0^1 d\mu(s) < 1$  [3]. In 2012, Agarwal et al. studied positive solutions for the integral value problem  $D^\alpha u_i(t) + f_i(t, u_1(t), u_2(t)) = 0$  with boundary conditions  $u_i(0) = u'_i(0) = 0$  and  $u_i(1) = \int_0^1 u_i(t) d\eta(t)$  for  $i = 1, 2$ , where  $t \in (0, 1)$ ,  $\alpha \in (2, 3]$ ,  $D^\alpha$  is the Riemann–Liouville fractional derivative of order  $\alpha$ ,  $f_i$  is a real valued continuous map on  $[0, 1] \times \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+$  and  $\int_0^1 u_i(t) d\eta(t)$  denotes the Riemann–Stieltjes integral [4]. In 2013, the singular fractional problem  $D^\alpha u + f(t, u, D^\gamma u, D^\mu u) + g(t, u, D^\gamma u, D^\mu u) = 0$  with boundary conditions  $u(0) = u'(0) = u''(0) = u'''(0) = 0$  was reviewed, where  $3 < \alpha < 4$ ,  $0 < \gamma < 1$ ,  $1 < \mu < 2$ ,  $D^\alpha$  is the Caputo fractional derivative and  $f$  is a Caratheodory function on  $[0, 1] \times (0, \infty)^3$  [9].

Recently, the authors introduced a new model for investigating the fractional differential equations called three step crisis integro-differential equations [11]. By using the idea, we investigate the existence of solutions for the three step crisis integro-differential equation

$$D^\alpha x(t) + f\left(t, x(t), x'(t), D^\beta x(t), \int_0^t h(\xi)x(\xi) d\xi\right) = 0 \quad (1)$$

with boundary conditions  $x(0) = x'(T_0)$ ,  $x(1) = x'(T_1)$  and  $x''(0) = x^{(n)}(0) = 0$ , where  $\alpha > 1$  with  $n = [\alpha] - 1$ ,  $T_0, T_1, \beta, \lambda, \mu \in (0, 1)$ ,  $h \in L^1[0, 1]$ ,  $D^\alpha$  is the Caputo fractional derivative of order  $\alpha$ ,  $f(t, x_1(t), \dots, x_5(t)) = f_1(t, x_1(t), \dots, x_4(t))$  on  $[0, \lambda]$ ,  $f(t, x_1(t), \dots, x_5(t)) =$

$f_2(t, x_1(t), \dots, x_4(t))$  on  $[\lambda, \mu]$  and  $f(t, x_1(t), \dots, x_5(t)) = f(t, x_1(t), \dots, x_4(t))$  on  $(\mu, 1]$  in which  $f_1(t, \cdot, \cdot, \cdot, \cdot)$  and  $f_3(t, \cdot, \cdot, \cdot, \cdot)$  are continuous on  $[0, \lambda]$  and  $(\mu, 1]$ , respectively, and  $f_2(t, \cdot, \cdot, \cdot, \cdot)$  is singular at some points  $t \in [\lambda, \mu]$ . In this case, we use the symbol  $f = [f_1, f_2, f_3, \lambda, \mu]$  [11].

As is well known, the Caputo fractional derivative of order  $\alpha > 0$  of a function  $f : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is defined by  ${}^C D^\alpha f(t) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(n-\alpha)} \int_0^t \frac{f^n(s)}{(t-s)^{\alpha+1-n}} ds$ , where  $n = [\alpha] + 1$  (see, for example, [13]). Let  $\Psi$  be the family of nondecreasing functions  $\psi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  such that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \psi^n(t) < \infty$  for all  $t > 0$  [22]. One can check that  $\psi(t) < t$  for all  $t > 0$  [22]. Let  $T : X \rightarrow X$  and  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be two maps. Then  $T$  is called an  $\alpha$ -admissible map whenever  $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$  implies  $\alpha(Tx, Ty) \geq 1$  [22]. Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space,  $\psi \in \Psi$  and  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  a map. A self-map  $T : X \rightarrow X$  is called an  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -contraction whenever  $\alpha(x, y)d(Tx, Ty) \leq \psi(d(x, y))$  for all  $x, y \in X$  [22]. We need the following results.

**Lemma 1** ([23]) *Let  $0 < n - 1 \leq \alpha < n$ . Then  $I^\alpha D^\alpha x(t) = x(t) + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} c_i t^i$  for some constants  $c_0, \dots, c_{n-1}$ .*

**Lemma 2** ([24]) *If  $E$  is a closed, bounded and convex subset of a Banach space  $X$  and  $T : E \rightarrow E$  is completely continuous, then  $T$  has a fixed point in  $E$ .*

**Lemma 3** ([22]) *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space,  $\psi \in \Psi$ ,  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  a map and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  an  $\alpha$ -admissible  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -contraction. If  $T$  is continuous and there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\alpha(x_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$ , then  $T$  has a fixed point.*

## 2 Main results

Now, we are ready to state and prove our main results.

**Lemma 4** *Let  $\alpha > 1$ ,  $n = [\alpha] + 1$ ,  $T_0, T_1 \in (0, 1)$  and  $f \in L^1[0, 1]$ . Then  $x(t) = \int_0^1 G(t, s)f(s) ds$  is the solution of the pointwise defined equation  $D^\alpha x(t) + f(t) = 0$  with boundary conditions  $x(0) = x'(T_0)$ ,  $x(1) = x'(T_1)$  and  $x''(0) = \dots = x^{(n-1)}(0) = 0$ , where  $G(t, s) = \frac{-(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} + \frac{(1+t)(1-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} - \frac{(1+t)(T_1-s)^{\alpha-2}}{\Gamma(\alpha-1)} - \frac{t(T_0-s)^{\alpha-2}}{\Gamma(\alpha-1)}$  whenever  $0 \leq s \leq t$ ,  $s \leq T_0$ ,  $G(t, s) = \frac{-(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} + \frac{(1+t)(1-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} - \frac{(1+t)(T_1-s)^{\alpha-2}}{\Gamma(\alpha-1)}$  whenever  $0 \leq T_0 \leq s \leq t$ ,  $s \leq T_1$ ,  $G(t, s) = \frac{(1+t)(1-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} - \frac{(1+t)(T_1-s)^{\alpha-2}}{\Gamma(\alpha-1)}$  whenever  $0 \leq t \leq s \leq T_1$ ,  $s \geq T_0$ ,  $G(t, s) = \frac{(1+t)(1-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} - \frac{(1+t)(T_1-s)^{\alpha-2}}{\Gamma(\alpha-1)} - \frac{t(T_0-s)^{\alpha-2}}{\Gamma(\alpha-1)}$  whenever  $0 \leq t \leq s \leq T_0 \leq T_1$ ,  $G(t, s) = \frac{-(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} + \frac{(1+t)(1-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)}$  whenever  $0 \leq T_0 \leq T_1 \leq s \leq t$  and  $G(t, s) = \frac{(1+t)(1-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)}$  whenever  $0 \leq t \leq s$ ,  $s \geq T_1$ .*

*Proof* Suppose that the equation  $D^\alpha x(t) + f(t) = 0$  holds for all  $t \in E \subset [0, 1]$ , where  $m(E^c) = 0$  and  $m$  is the Lebesgue measure on  $\mathbb{R}$ . Let  $f_0$  be a function such that  $f_0 = f$  on  $E$ . It is easy to check that  $I^\alpha(f(t)) = I^\alpha(f_0(t))$  for all  $t \in [0, 1]$ . This implies that  $I^\alpha(D^\alpha x(t)) = I^\alpha(-f_0(t))$  and by using Lemma 1 we get  $x(t) = -\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^t (t-s)^{\alpha-1} f(s) ds + c_0 + c_1 t$  for some constants  $c_0$  and  $c_1$ . By using the boundary conditions, we obtain  $x(0) = c_0$  and

$$x'(T_0) = -\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha-1)} \int_0^{T_0} (T_0-s)^{\alpha-2} f(s) ds + c_1.$$

Thus,  $c_1 - c_0 = -\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha-1)} \int_0^{T_0} (T_0-s)^{\alpha-2} f(s) ds$ . Since  $x(1) = x'(T_1)$ , we get

$$c_0 = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha-1)} \int_0^1 (1-s)^{\alpha-2} f(s) ds - \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha-1)} \int_0^{T_1} (T_1-s)^{\alpha-2} f(s) ds$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} c_1 &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^1 (1-s)^{\alpha-1} f(s) ds \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha-1)} \int_0^{T_1} (T_1-s)^{\alpha-2} f(s) ds - \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha-1)} \int_0^{T_0} (T_0-s)^{\alpha-2} f(s) ds. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= -\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^t (t-s)^{\alpha-1} f(s) ds - \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^1 (1-s)^{\alpha-1} f(s) ds \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha-1)} \int_0^{T_1} (T_1-s)^{\alpha-2} f(s) ds + \frac{t}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^1 (1-s)^{\alpha-1} f(s) ds \\ &\quad - \frac{t}{\Gamma(\alpha-1)} \int_0^{T_1} (T_1-s)^{\alpha-2} f(s) ds - \frac{t}{\Gamma(\alpha-1)} \int_0^{T_0} (T_0-s)^{\alpha-2} f(s) ds \\ &= -\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^t (t-s)^{\alpha-1} f(s) ds - \frac{1+t}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^1 (1-s)^{\alpha-1} f(s) ds \\ &\quad - \frac{1+t}{\Gamma(\alpha-1)} \int_0^{T_1} (T_1-s)^{\alpha-2} f(s) ds - \frac{t}{\Gamma(\alpha-1)} \int_0^{T_0} (T_0-s)^{\alpha-2} f(s) ds. \end{aligned}$$

Now it is easy to check that  $x(t) = \int_0^1 G(t,s)f(s) ds$ , where  $G$  is the given Green function.  $\square$

By using some usual calculations, we find that  $|G(t,s)| \leq \frac{2+\alpha+T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)} (1-s)^{\alpha-2}$  for all  $t, s \in [0, 1]$  and  $|\frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t,s)| \leq \frac{3\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} (1-s)^{\alpha-2}$  for all  $t, s \in [0, 1]$ . Also, it is easy to see that  $D^\mu x \in C[0, 1]$  and  $|D^\mu x| \leq \frac{\|x'\|}{\Gamma(2-\mu)}$  whenever  $x \in C^1[0, 1]$ . Here,  $0 \leq \mu \leq 1$ . Now, consider the Banach space  $X = C^1[0, 1]$  with the norm  $\|x\|_* = \max\{\|x\|, \|x'\|\}$ ,  $\|\cdot\|$  is the sup norm on  $C[0, 1]$ . Assume that  $f = [f_1, f_2, f_3, \lambda, \mu]$ . Define  $T : X \rightarrow X$  by

$$\begin{aligned} T_x(t) &= \int_0^1 G(t,s)f\left(s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi)d\xi, \phi(x(s))\right) ds \\ &= -\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^t (t-s)^{\alpha-1} f(s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi)d\xi, \phi(x(s))) ds \\ &\quad - \frac{1+t}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^1 (1-s)^{\alpha-1} f(s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi)d\xi, \phi(x(s))) ds \\ &\quad - \frac{1+t}{\Gamma(\alpha-1)} \int_0^{T_1} (T_1-s)^{\alpha-2} f(s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi)d\xi, \phi(x(s))) ds \\ &\quad - \frac{t}{\Gamma(\alpha-1)} \int_0^{T_0} (T_0-s)^{\alpha-2} f(s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi)d\xi, \phi(x(s))) ds \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in X$  and  $t \in [0, 1]$ . Note that the singular pointwise defined problem (1) has a solution if and only if  $T$  has a fixed point in  $X$ . We are going to investigate the singular pointwise defined problem (1) under two different conditions. Here, we present first one. In our second result we denote the map  $T$  by  $F$ .

**Theorem 5** Let  $f = [f_1, f_2, f_3, \lambda, \mu]$ ,  $f_1(t, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0) = 0$ ,  $f_2(s, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0) = 0$  and  $f_3(u, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0) = 0$  for all  $t \in [0, \lambda]$ ,  $s \in [0, \lambda]$  and  $u \in [\mu, 1]$ . Assume that there are nondecreasing maps

$\Lambda, \Lambda': X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  and mappings  $a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4 : (\lambda, \mu) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  such that  $\lim_{z \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\Lambda(z)}{z} = q < \infty$ ,  $\lim_{z \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\Lambda'(z)}{z} = q' < \infty$  and  $\hat{a}_1, \hat{a}_2, \hat{a}_3, \hat{a}_4 \in L^1[\lambda, \mu]$ , where  $\hat{a}_i = (1-s)^{\alpha-2}$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$ . Suppose that  $|f_1(t, x_1, \dots, x_5) - f_1(t, y_1, \dots, y_5)| \leq \sum_{i=1}^4 \Lambda(|x_i - y_i|)$ ,

$$|f_2(t, x_1, \dots, x_5) - f_2(t, y_1, \dots, y_5)| \leq \sum_{i=1}^4 a_i(t) |x_i - y_i|$$

and  $|f_3(t, x_1, \dots, x_5) - f_3(t, y_1, \dots, y_5)| \leq \sum_{i=1}^4 \Lambda'(|x_i - y_i|)$  for almost all  $t \in [0, 1]$  and every  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_5, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_5 \in X$ . If

$$\frac{4q}{\alpha-1} (1 - (1-\lambda)^{\alpha-1}) + \sum_{i=1}^4 \|\hat{a}_i\|_{[\lambda, \mu]} + \frac{4q'}{\alpha-1} (1-\mu)^{\alpha-1} < \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)}{l\theta_0},$$

then the pointwise defined equation (1) with boundary conditions has a solution, where  $\|h\|_1 = m_0$ ,  $l = \max\{1, \frac{1}{\Gamma(2-\beta)}, m_0\}$  and  $\theta_0 = \max\{3\alpha, 2 + \alpha + T_0\}$ .

*Proof* Let  $x_1, x_2 \in X$  and  $t \in [0, 1]$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} |T_{x_1}(t) - T_{x_2}(t)| &\leq \int_0^1 |G(t, s)| \left| f\left(s, x_1(s), x'_1(s), D^\beta x_1(s), \int_0^s h(\xi) x_1(\xi) d\xi\right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - f\left(s, x_2(s), x'_2(s), D^\beta x_2(s), \int_0^s h(\xi) x_2(\xi) d\xi\right) \right| ds \\ &\leq \int_0^\lambda |G(t, s)| \left| f_1\left(s, x_1(s), x'_1(s), D^\beta x_1(s), \int_0^s h(\xi) x_1(\xi) d\xi\right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - f_1\left(s, x_2(s), x'_2(s), D^\beta x_2(s), \int_0^s h(\xi) x_2(\xi) d\xi\right) \right| ds \\ &\quad + \int_\lambda^\mu |G(t, s)| \left| f_2\left(s, x_1(s), x'_1(s), D^\beta x_1(s), \int_0^s h(\xi) x_1(\xi) d\xi\right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - f_2\left(s, x_2(s), x'_2(s), D^\beta x_2(s), \int_0^s h(\xi) x_2(\xi) d\xi\right) \right| ds \\ &\quad + \int_\mu^1 |G(t, s)| \left| f_3\left(s, x_1(s), x'_1(s), D^\beta x_1(s), \int_0^s h(\xi) x_1(\xi) d\xi\right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. \times f_3\left(s, x_2(s), x'_2(s), D^\beta x_2(s), \int_0^s h(\xi) x_2(\xi) d\xi\right) \right| ds \\ &\leq \int_0^\lambda |G(t, s)| \left[ \Lambda(|x_1(s) - x_2(s)|) + \Lambda(|x'_1(s) - x'_2(s)|) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \Lambda(|D^\beta(x_1 - x_2)(s)|) + \Lambda\left(\left|\int_0^s h(\xi)(x_1(\xi) - x_2(\xi)) d\xi\right|\right) \right] ds \\ &\quad + \int_\lambda^\mu |G(t, s)| \left[ a_1(s) |x_1(s) - x_2(s)| + a_2(s) |x'_1(s) - x'_2(s)| \right. \\ &\quad \left. + a_3(s) |D^\beta(x_1 - x_2)(s)| + a_4(s) \left|\int_0^s h(\xi)(x_1(\xi) - x_2(\xi)) d\xi\right| \right] ds \\ &\quad + \int_\mu^\lambda |G(t, s)| \left[ \Lambda'(|x_1(s) - x_2(s)|) + \Lambda'(|x'_1(s) - x'_2(s)|) \right. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \Lambda'(|D^\beta(x_1 - x_2)(s)|) + \Lambda'\left(\left|\int_0^s h(\xi)(x_1(\xi) - x_2(\xi)) d\xi\right|\right) ds \\
& \leq \int_0^\lambda |G(t,s)| \left[ \Lambda(\|x_1 - x_2\|) + \Lambda(\|x'_1 - x'_2\|) \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \Lambda(\|D^\beta(x_1 - x_2)\|) + \Lambda\left(\int_0^s |h(\xi)| \|x_1 - x_2\| d\xi\right)\right] ds \\
& \quad + \int_\lambda^\mu |G(t,s)| \left[ a_1(s) \|x_1 - x_2\| + a_2(s) \|x'_1 - x'_2\| \right. \\
& \quad \left. + a_3(s) \|D^\beta(x_1 - x_2)\| + a_4(s) \int_0^s |h(\xi)| \|x_1 - x_2\| d\xi\right] ds \\
& \quad + \int_\mu^\lambda |G(t,s)| \left[ \Lambda'(\|x_1 - x_2\|) + \Lambda'(\|x'_1 - x'_2\|) \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \Lambda'(|D^\beta(x_1 - x_2)|) + \Lambda'\left(\int_0^s |h(\xi)| \|x_1 - x_2\| d\xi\right)\right] ds \\
& \leq \int_0^\lambda |G(t,s)| \left[ \Lambda(\|x_1 - x_2\|) + \Lambda(\|x'_1 - x'_2\|) \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \Lambda\left(\frac{\|x'_1 - x'_2\|}{\Gamma(2-\beta)}\right) + \Lambda(m_0 \|x_1 - x_2\|)\right] ds \\
& \quad + \int_\lambda^\mu |G(t,s)| \left[ a_1(s) \|x_1 - x_2\| + a_2(s) \|x'_1 - x'_2\| \right. \\
& \quad \left. + a_3(s) \frac{\|x'_1 - x'_2\|}{\Gamma(2-\beta)} + a_4(s) m_0 \|x_1 - x_2\|\right] ds \\
& \quad + \int_\mu^\lambda |G(t,s)| \left[ \Lambda'(\|x_1 - x_2\|) + \Lambda'(\|x'_1 - x'_2\|) \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \Lambda'\left(\frac{\|x'_1 - x'_2\|}{\Gamma(2-\beta)}\right) + \Lambda'(m_0 \|x_1 - x_2\|)\right] ds \\
& \leq \int_0^\lambda |G(t,s)| \left[ \Lambda(l \|x_1 - x_2\|_*) + \Lambda(l \|x_1 - x_2\|_*) \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \Lambda\left(\frac{l \|x_1 - x_2\|_*}{\Gamma(2-\beta)}\right) + \Lambda(m_0 l \|x_1 - x_2\|_*)\right] ds \\
& \quad + \int_\lambda^\mu |G(t,s)| \left[ a_1(s) l \|x_1 - x_2\|_* + a_2(s) l \|x_1 - x_2\|_* \right. \\
& \quad \left. + a_3(s) \frac{l \|x_1 - x_2\|_*}{\Gamma(2-\beta)} + a_4(s) m_0 l \|x_1 - x_2\|_*\right] ds \\
& \quad + \int_\mu^\lambda |G(t,s)| \left[ \Lambda'(l \|x_1 - x_2\|_*) + \Lambda'(l \|x_1 - x_2\|_*) \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \Lambda'\left(\frac{l \|x_1 - x_2\|_*}{\Gamma(2-\beta)}\right) + \Lambda'(m_0 l \|x_1 - x_2\|_*)\right] ds, \tag{*}
\end{aligned}$$

where  $m_0 = \int_0^1 |h(\xi)| d\xi$  and  $l = \max\{1, \frac{1}{\Gamma(2-\beta)}, m_0, \theta_0 + \theta_1\}$ . On the other hand,  $\lim_{z \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\Lambda(z)}{z} = q$  and so for each  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists  $0 < \delta_A = \delta(\epsilon, \Lambda)$  such that  $|\frac{\Lambda(z)}{z} - q| < \epsilon$  for all  $0 < z \leq \delta_A$ . Thus,  $0 < z \leq \delta_A$  implies  $|\frac{\Lambda(z)}{z} - q| \leq |\frac{\Lambda(z)}{z} - q| < \epsilon$ . Hence,  $|\Lambda(z)| < (\epsilon + q)|z|$ .

By choosing  $0 < z \leq \delta_1 := \min\{\delta_A, \epsilon\}$ , we have

$$|\Lambda(z)| < (\epsilon + q)|z| < (\epsilon + q)\epsilon. \quad (2)$$

For  $\Lambda'$  we have similar conclusion, that is,

$$|\Lambda'(z)| < (\epsilon + q')\epsilon \quad (3)$$

for all  $0 < z \leq \delta_1 := \min\{\delta_{A'}, \epsilon\}$ . Let  $\epsilon > 0$  be given,  $l\|x_1 - x_2\|_* < \min\{\delta_1, \delta_2\}$  and  $x_1 \rightarrow x_2$ . By using (2) and (3), we get  $\Lambda(l\|x_1 - x_2\|_*) < (\epsilon + q)\epsilon$  and  $\Lambda'(l\|x_1 - x_2\|_*) < (\epsilon + q')\epsilon$ . Now by using (\*), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & |T_{x_1}(t) - T_{x_2}(t)| \\ & \leq 4(q + \epsilon)\epsilon \int_0^\lambda |G(t, s)| ds + \epsilon \int_\lambda^\mu [a_1(s) + \dots + a_4(s)] |G(t, s)| ds \\ & \quad + 4(q' + \epsilon)\epsilon \int_\mu^1 |G(t, s)| ds \leq 4(q + \epsilon)\epsilon \frac{2 + \alpha + T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^\lambda (1-s)^{\alpha-2} ds \\ & \quad + \frac{\epsilon(2 + \alpha + T_0)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \sum_{i=1}^4 \int_\lambda^\mu a_i(s)(1-s)^{\alpha-2} ds + 4(q' + \epsilon)\epsilon \frac{2 + \alpha + T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_\mu^1 (1-s)^{\alpha-2} ds \\ & = \epsilon \frac{2 + \alpha + T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \left[ 4(q + \epsilon) \cdot \frac{1}{\alpha-1} (1 - (1-\lambda)^{\alpha-1}) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \sum_{i=1}^4 \|\hat{a}_i\|_{[\lambda, \mu]} + 4(q' + \epsilon) \cdot \frac{1}{\alpha-1} (1 - \mu)^{\alpha-1} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \|T_{x_1} - T_{x_2}\| & \leq \epsilon \frac{2 + \alpha + T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \left[ 4(q + \epsilon) \cdot \frac{1}{\alpha-1} (1 - (1-\lambda)^{\alpha-1}) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \sum_{i=1}^4 \|\hat{a}_i\|_{[\lambda, \mu]} + 4(q' + \epsilon) \cdot \frac{1}{\alpha-1} (1 - \mu)^{\alpha-1} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

In a similar way, we get

$$\begin{aligned} & |T'_{x_1}(t) - T'_{x_2}(t)| \\ & \leq \int_0^1 \left| \frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t, s) \right| \left| f \left( s, x_1(s), x'_1(s), D^\beta x_1(s), \int_0^s h(\xi) x_1(\xi) d\xi \right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - f \left( s, x_2(s), x'_2(s), D^\beta x_2(s), \int_0^s h(\xi) x_2(\xi) d\xi \right) \right| ds \\ & \leq \int_0^\lambda \left| \frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t, s) \right| \left| f_1 \left( s, x_1(s), x'_1(s), D^\beta x_1(s), \int_0^s h(\xi) x_1(\xi) d\xi \right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - f_1 \left( s, x_2(s), x'_2(s), D^\beta x_2(s), \int_0^s h(\xi) x_2(\xi) d\xi \right) \right| ds \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \int_{\lambda}^{\mu} \left| \frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t,s) \right| \left| f_2 \left( s, x_1(s), x'_1(s), D^{\beta} x_1(s), \int_0^s h(\xi) x_1(\xi) d\xi \right) \right. \\
& \quad \left. - f_2 \left( s, x_2(s), x'_2(s), D^{\beta} x_2(s), \int_0^s h(\xi) x_2(\xi) d\xi \right) \right| ds \\
& + \int_{\mu}^1 \left| \frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t,s) \right| \left| f_3 \left( s, x_1(s), x'_1(s), D^{\beta} x_1(s), \int_0^s h(\xi) x_1(\xi) d\xi \right) \right. \\
& \quad \left. - f_3 \left( s, x_2(s), x'_2(s), D^{\beta} x_2(s), \int_0^s h(\xi) x_2(\xi) d\xi \right) \right| ds \\
& \leq 4(q+\epsilon)\epsilon \int_0^{\lambda} \left| \frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t,s) \right| ds + \epsilon \int_{\lambda}^{\mu} [a_1(s) + \dots + a_4(s)] |G(t,s)| ds \\
& + 4(q'+\epsilon)\epsilon \int_{\mu}^1 \left| \frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t,s) \right| ds \leq 4(q+\epsilon) \frac{3\epsilon\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{\lambda} (1-s)^{\alpha-2} ds \\
& + \frac{3\epsilon\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \sum_{i=1}^4 \int_{\lambda}^{\mu} a_i(s) (1-s)^{\alpha-2} ds + 4(q'+\epsilon) \frac{3\epsilon\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{\mu}^1 (1-s)^{\alpha-2} ds \\
& = \frac{3\epsilon\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \left[ 4(q+\epsilon) \cdot \frac{1}{\alpha-1} (1-(1-\lambda)^{\alpha-1}) \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \sum_{i=1}^4 \|\hat{a}_i\|_{[\lambda,\mu]} + 4(q'+\epsilon) \cdot \frac{1}{\alpha-1} (1-\mu)^{\alpha-1} \right]
\end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned}
\|T'_{x_1} - T'_{x_2}\| & \leq \frac{3\epsilon\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \left[ 4(q+\epsilon) \cdot \frac{1}{\alpha-1} (1-(1-\lambda)^{\alpha-1}) \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \sum_{i=1}^4 \|\hat{a}_i\|_{[\lambda,\mu]} + 4(q'+\epsilon) \cdot \frac{1}{\alpha-1} (1-\mu)^{\alpha-1} \right].
\end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}
\|T_{x_1} - T_{x_2}\|_* & \leq \epsilon \left[ 4(q+\epsilon) \cdot \frac{1}{\alpha-1} (1-(1-\lambda)^{\alpha-1}) + \sum_{i=1}^4 \|\hat{a}_i\|_{[\lambda,\mu]} \right. \\
& \quad \left. + 4(q'+\epsilon) \cdot \frac{1}{\alpha-1} (1-\mu)^{\alpha-1} \right] \max \left\{ \frac{2+\alpha+T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)}, \frac{3\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

This implies that  $\|T_{x_1} - T_{x_2}\|_* \rightarrow 0$  as  $x_1 \rightarrow x_2$ . Hence,  $T$  is continuous. Since  $\lim_{z \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\Lambda(z)}{z} = q$  and  $\Lambda$  is nondecreasing, for each  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists  $\delta_1 = \delta_1(\epsilon) > 0$  such that  $\frac{\Lambda(lz)}{lz} < q + \epsilon$  for all  $z \in (0, \delta_1]$ . Thus,  $\Lambda(lz) < (q + \epsilon)lz$ . By using similar reason, there exists  $\delta_2(\epsilon) > 0$  such that  $\Lambda'(lz) < (q' + \epsilon)lz$  for all  $z \in (0, \delta_2]$ . Put  $\delta = \delta(\epsilon) := \min\{\delta_1(\epsilon), \delta_2(\epsilon)\}$ . Then  $\Lambda(lz) < (q + \epsilon)lz$  and  $\Lambda'(lz) < (q' + \epsilon)lz$  for all  $z \in (0, \delta]$ . In particular,  $\Lambda(l\delta) < (q + \epsilon)l\delta$  and  $\Lambda'(l\delta) < (q' + \epsilon)l\delta$ . On other hand, we have  $\frac{4q}{\alpha-1} (1-(1-\lambda)^{\alpha-1}) + \sum_{i=1}^4 \|\hat{a}_i\|_{[\lambda,\mu]} + \frac{4q'}{\alpha-1} (1-\mu)^{\alpha-1} < \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)}{l\delta_0}$ . Choose  $\epsilon_0 > 0$  such that  $\frac{4(q+\epsilon_0)}{\alpha-1} (1-(1-\lambda)^{\alpha-1}) + \sum_{i=1}^4 \|\hat{a}_i\|_{[\lambda,\mu]} + \frac{4(q'+\epsilon_0)}{\alpha-1} (1-\mu)^{\alpha-1} < \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)}{l\delta_0}$  and put  $\delta_0 = \delta(\epsilon_0)$ . Then  $\Lambda(l\delta_0) < (q + \epsilon)l\delta_0$  and  $\Lambda'(l\delta_0) < (q' + \epsilon)l\delta_0$ . Now, assume that  $E = \{x \in X :$

$\|x\|_* < \delta_0\}$ ,  $x \in E$  and  $t \in [0, 1]$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
|T_x(t)| &\leq \int_0^1 |G(t,s)| \left| f\left(s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi)d\xi\right) \right| ds \\
&= \int_0^\lambda |G(t,s)| \left| f_1\left(s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi)d\xi\right) \right| ds \\
&\quad + \int_\lambda^\mu |G(t,s)| \left| f_2\left(s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi)d\xi\right) \right| ds \\
&\quad + \int_\mu^1 |G(t,s)| \left| f_3\left(s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi)d\xi\right) \right| ds \\
&= \int_0^\lambda |G(t,s)| \left| f_1\left(s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi)d\xi\right) - f_1(s, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0) \right| ds \\
&\quad + \int_\lambda^\mu |G(t,s)| \left| f_2\left(s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi)d\xi\right) - f_2(s, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0) \right| ds \\
&\quad + \int_\mu^1 |G(t,s)| \left| f_3\left(s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi)d\xi\right) - f_3(s, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0) \right| ds \\
&\leq \int_0^\lambda |G(t,s)| \left[ \Lambda(|x(s)|) + \Lambda(|x'(s)|) + \Lambda(|D^\beta x(s)|) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \Lambda\left(\int_0^s |h(\xi)||x(\xi)|d\xi\right) \right] ds \\
&\quad + \int_\lambda^\mu |G(t,s)| \left[ a_1(s)|x(s)| + a_2(s)|x'(s)| + a_3(s)|D^\beta x(s)| \right. \\
&\quad \left. + a_4(s)\int_0^s |h(\xi)||x(\xi)|d\xi \right] ds \\
&\quad + \int_\mu^1 |G(t,s)| \left[ \Lambda'(|x(s)|) + \Lambda'(|x'(s)|) + \Lambda'(|D^\beta x(s)|) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \Lambda'\left(\int_0^s |h(\xi)||x(\xi)|d\xi\right) \right] ds \\
&\leq \int_0^\lambda |G(t,s)| \left[ \Lambda(\|x\|) + \Lambda(\|x'\|) + \Lambda\left(\frac{\|x'\|}{\Gamma(2-\beta)}\right) + \Lambda(m_0\|x\|) \right] ds \\
&\quad + \int_\lambda^\mu |G(t,s)| \left[ a_1(s)\|x\| + a_2(s)\|x'\| + a_3(s)\frac{\|x'\|}{\Gamma(2-\beta)} + a_4(s)m_0\|x\| \right] ds \\
&\quad + \int_\mu^1 |G(t,s)| \left[ \Lambda'(\|x\|) + \Lambda'(\|x'\|) + \Lambda'\left(\frac{\|x'\|}{\Gamma(2-\beta)}\right) + \Lambda'(m_0\|x\|) \right] ds \\
&\leq 4\Lambda(l\|x\|_*) \int_0^\lambda |G(t,s)| ds \\
&\quad + l\|x\|_* \int_\lambda^\mu |G(t,s)| \sum_{i=1}^4 a_i(s) ds + 4\Lambda(l\|x\|_*) \int_\mu^1 |G(t,s)| ds \\
&\leq 4\Lambda(l\delta_0) \frac{2+\alpha+T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^\lambda (1-s)^{\alpha-2} ds \\
&\quad + l\delta_0 \frac{2+\alpha+T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \sum_{i=1}^4 \int_\lambda^\mu a_i(s)(1-s)^{\alpha-2} ds
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + 4\Lambda'(l\delta_0) \frac{2+\alpha+T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{\mu}^1 (1-s)^{\alpha-2} ds \\
& \leq 4(q+\epsilon_0)l\delta_0 \frac{(2+\alpha+T_0)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \cdot \frac{1}{\alpha-1} [1 - (1-\lambda)^{\alpha-1}] \\
& \quad + l\delta_0 \frac{(2+\alpha+T_0)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \sum_{i=1}^4 \|\hat{a}_i\|_{[\lambda,\mu]} \\
& \quad + 4(q+\epsilon_0)l\delta_0 \frac{(2+\alpha+T_0)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \cdot \frac{1}{\alpha-1} [1 - (1-\lambda)^{\alpha-1}] \\
& = \delta_0 \frac{(2+\alpha+T_0)l}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \left[ \frac{4(q+\epsilon_0)}{\alpha-1} (1 - (1-\lambda)^{\alpha-1}) \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \sum_{i=1}^4 \|\hat{a}_i\|_{[\lambda,\mu]} + \frac{4(q'+\epsilon_0)}{\alpha-1} (1-\mu)^{\alpha-1} \right] < \delta_0.
\end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $\|Tx\| \leq \delta_0$ . By using a similar method, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
|T'_x(t)| & \leq \int_0^1 \left| \frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t,s) \right| \left| f \left( s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi) d\xi \right) \right| ds \\
& = \int_0^\lambda \left| \frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t,s) \right| \left| f_1 \left( s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi) d\xi \right) \right| ds \\
& \quad + \int_\lambda^\mu \left| \frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t,s) \right| \left| f_2 \left( s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi) d\xi \right) \right| ds \\
& \quad + \int_\mu^1 \left| \frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t,s) \right| \left| f_3 \left( s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi) d\xi \right) \right| ds \\
& \leq \int_0^\lambda \left| \frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t,s) \right| \left[ \Lambda(|x(s)|) + \Lambda(|x'(s)|) + \Lambda(|D^\beta x(s)|) \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \Lambda \left( \int_0^s |h(\xi)| |x(\xi)| d\xi \right) \right] ds \\
& \quad + \int_\lambda^\mu \left| \frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t,s) \right| \left[ a_1(s)|x(s)| + a_2(s)|x'(s)| + a_3(s)|D^\beta x(s)| \right. \\
& \quad \left. + a_4(s) \int_0^s |h(\xi)| |x(\xi)| d\xi \right] ds \\
& \quad + \int_\mu^1 \left| \frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t,s) \right| \left[ \Lambda'(|x(s)|) + \Lambda'(|x'(s)|) + \Lambda'(|D^\beta x(s)|) \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \Lambda' \left( \int_0^s |h(\xi)| |x(\xi)| d\xi \right) \right] ds \\
& \leq \int_0^\lambda \left| \frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t,s) \right| \left[ \Lambda(\|x\|) + \Lambda(\|x'\|) + \Lambda \left( \frac{\|x'\|}{\Gamma(2-\beta)} \right) + \Lambda(m_0\|x\|) \right] ds \\
& \quad + \int_\lambda^\mu \left| \frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t,s) \right| \left[ a_1(s)\|x\| + a_2(s)\|x'\| + a_3(s) \frac{\|x'\|}{\Gamma(2-\beta)} + a_4(s)m_0\|x\| \right] ds \\
& \quad + \int_\mu^1 \left| \frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t,s) \right| \left[ \Lambda'(\|x\|) + \Lambda'(\|x'\|) + \Lambda' \left( \frac{\|x'\|}{\Gamma(2-\beta)} \right) + \Lambda'(m_0\|x\|) \right] ds
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq 4\Lambda(l\|x\|_*) \int_0^\lambda \left| \frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t,s) \right| ds + l\|x\|_* \int_\lambda^\mu \left| \frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t,s) \right| \sum_{i=1}^4 a_i(s) ds + 4\Lambda(l\|x\|_*) \\
&\quad \times \int_\mu^1 |G(t,s)| ds \leq 4\Lambda(l\delta_0) \frac{3\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^\lambda (1-s)^{\alpha-2} ds \\
&\quad + l\delta_0 \frac{3\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \sum_{i=1}^4 \int_\lambda^\mu a_i(s)(1-s)^{\alpha-2} ds + 4\Lambda'(l\delta_0) \frac{3\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_\mu^1 (1-s)^{\alpha-2} ds \\
&\leq 4(q+\epsilon_0)l\delta_0 \frac{3\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \cdot \frac{1}{\alpha-1} [1 - (1-\lambda)^{\alpha-1}] + l\delta_0 \frac{3\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \sum_{i=1}^4 \|\hat{a}_i\|_{[\lambda,\mu]} \\
&\quad + 4(q+\epsilon_0)l\delta_0 \frac{3\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \cdot \frac{1}{\alpha-1} [1 - (1-\lambda)^{\alpha-1}] \\
&= \delta_0 \frac{3\alpha l}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \left[ \frac{4(q+\epsilon_0)}{\alpha-1} (1 - (1-\lambda)^{\alpha-1}) + \sum_{i=1}^4 \|\hat{a}_i\|_{[\lambda,\mu]} + \frac{4(q'+\epsilon_0)}{\alpha-1} (1 - \mu)^{\alpha-1} \right] \\
&< \delta_0
\end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in E$  and  $t \in [0, 1]$ . Hence,  $\|Tx\| \leq \delta_0$ , and so  $\|Tx\|_* \leq \delta_0$ . Thus,  $T$  maps  $E$  into  $E$ . It is easy to check that  $T$  maps bounded sets into bounded sets. Assume that  $t_1, t_2 \in [0, 1]$  and  $x \in E$ . Since  $G(t, s)$  and  $\frac{\partial G(t,s)}{\partial t}$  are continuous with respect to  $t$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned}
\lim_{t_2 \rightarrow t_1} T'x(t_2) &= \lim_{t_2 \rightarrow t_1} \int_0^1 \left| \frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t_2, s) \right| \left| f \left( s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi) d\xi \right) \right| ds \\
&= \int_0^1 \lim_{t_2 \rightarrow t_1} \frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t_2, s) f \left( s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi) d\xi \right) ds \\
&= \int_0^1 \frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t_1, s) f \left( s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi) d\xi \right) ds \\
&= T'x(t_1).
\end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $T$  is equi-continuous on  $E$  and so  $T : E \rightarrow E$  is completely continuous. Now by using Lemma 2,  $T$  has a fixed point on  $E$  and so the problem (1) has a solution.  $\square$

*Example 1* Consider the pointwise defined equation

$$D^{\frac{7}{2}}x(t) + f \left( t, x(t), x'(t), D^{\frac{1}{2}}x(t), \int_0^t sx(s) ds \right) = 0$$

with the boundary conditions in the last result, where

$$f(t, x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5) = \begin{cases} t \sum_{i=1}^4 x_i, & 0 \leq t < 0.2, \\ d(t) \sum_{i=1}^4 x_i, & 0.2 \leq t \leq 0.8, \\ t^2 \sum_{i=1}^4 x_i, & 0.8 < t \leq 1, \end{cases}$$

and  $d(t) = 0$  whenever  $t \in [0.1, 0.8] \cap Q$  and  $d(t) = 0.1$  whenever  $t \in [0.1, 0.8] \cap Q^c$ . Now, put  $f_1(t, x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5) = \frac{1}{2}t \sum_{i=1}^4 x_i$ ,  $f_2(t, x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5) = d(t) \sum_{i=1}^4 x_i$  and  $f_3(t, x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4,$

$x_5) = t^2 \sum_{i=1}^4 x_i$ . Then we have  $f_1(t, 0, 0, 0, 0) = f_2(t, 0, 0, 0, 0) = f_3(t, 0, 0, 0, 0) = 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |f_1(t, x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) - f_1(t, y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4)| &\leq t \sum_{i=1}^4 |x_i - y_i| \\ &\leq t \sum_{i=1}^4 |x_i - y_i| \leq 0.1 \sum_{i=1}^4 \Lambda(|x_i - y_i|), \\ |f_2(t, x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) - f_2(t, y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4)| &\leq d(t) \sum_{i=1}^4 |x_i - y_i| \\ &\leq d(t) \sum_{i=1}^4 |x_i - y_i|, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} |f_3(t, x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) - f_3(t, y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4)| &\leq \frac{1}{2} t \sum_{i=1}^4 |x_i - y_i| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} t \sum_{i=1}^4 |x_i - y_i| \leq \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^4 \Lambda(|x_i - y_i|), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\Lambda(x) = |x|$  and  $\Lambda'(x) = \frac{1}{2}|x|$ . Hence,  $\lim_{z \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\Lambda'(z)}{z} = 0.1 := q$ ,  $\lim_{z \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\Lambda'(z)}{z} = \frac{1}{2} := q'$ ,  $\hat{a}_i = \hat{d} \in L^1[0.1, 0.8]$ ,  $\sum_{i=1}^4 \|\hat{a}_i\|_{[\lambda, \mu]} < 0.092$  and

$$\begin{aligned} &\left[ \frac{4q(1 - (1 - \lambda)^{\alpha-1})}{\alpha - 1} + \sum_{i=1}^4 \|\hat{a}_i\| + \frac{4q'}{\alpha - 1} (1 - \mu)^{\alpha-1} \right] \\ &< \left[ \frac{4 \times 0.1(1 - (1 - 0.1)^{\frac{5}{2}})}{\frac{5}{2}} + 0.092 + \frac{4 \times 0.5(1 - 0.9)^{\frac{5}{2}}}{\frac{5}{2}} \right] < \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)}{3l\alpha}. \end{aligned}$$

Now by using Theorem 5, the problem has a solution.

Now, we present our second result by using different conditions.

**Theorem 6** Suppose that  $f = [f_1, f_2, f_3, \lambda, \mu]$ ,  $f$  is nonnegative on  $[0, 1]$  and there exist nonnegative functions  $a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4 : [0, \lambda] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ , maps  $b_1, \dots, b_{k_0} : [\lambda, \mu] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  for some  $k_0 \geq 1$ , and functions  $c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4 : [\mu, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  such that  $\hat{a}_i \in L^1[0, \lambda]$ ,  $\hat{b}_j \in L^1[\lambda, \mu]$ ,  $\hat{c}_i \in L^1[\mu, 1]$  and  $\hat{a}_1(s) = (1 - s)^{\alpha-2} a_1(s)$ . Assuming that there are nonnegative and nondecreasing functions  $\phi_i, \Phi_i : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  and  $H_j : \mathbb{R}_+^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  such that  $\lim_{z \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\phi_i(z)}{z^{\mu_i}} := l_{\mu_i} < \infty$ ,  $\lim_{z \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\Phi_i(z)}{z^{\gamma_i}} := l_{\gamma_i} < \infty$  and  $\lim_{z \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{H_j(z, z, z, z)}{z^m} := q_j < \infty$  for some  $\mu_i, \gamma_i, m \in [1, \infty)$  and  $H_j$  are nonnegative and nondecreasing with respect to all their components ( $1 \leq i \leq 4$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq k_0$ ),

$$\begin{aligned} |f_1(t, x_1, \dots, x_4) - f_1(t, y_1, \dots, y_4)| &\leq \sum_{i=1}^4 a_i(t) \phi_i(|x_i - y_i|), \\ |f_2(t, x_1, \dots, x_4) - f_2(t, y_1, \dots, y_4)| &\leq \sum_{i=1}^5 b_i(t) H_i(|x_1 - y_1|, \dots, |x_4 - y_4|) \end{aligned}$$

and  $|f_3(t, x_1, \dots, x_4) - f_3(t, y_1, \dots, y_4)| \leq \sum_{i=1}^4 c_i(t) \Phi_i(|x_i - y_i|)$ . Suppose that  $|f_2(t, x_1, \dots, x_4)| \leq \Theta(t) \Lambda(x_1, \dots, x_4)$ , where  $\Lambda$  are nonnegative and nondecreasing with respect to all their components,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\Lambda(x, x, x, x)}{x} := P_2 < \infty$ ,  $\hat{\Theta} \in L^1[\lambda, \mu]$ ,  $\lim_{\max |x_i| \rightarrow 0} \frac{|f_1(t, x_1, \dots, x_4)|}{\max |x_i|} = P_1(t)$  and  $\lim_{\max |x_i| \rightarrow 0} \frac{|f_3(t, x_1, \dots, x_4)|}{\max |x_i|} = P_3(t)$ , where  $\hat{P}_1 \in L^1[0, \lambda]$ ,  $\hat{P}_3 \in L^1[\mu, 1]$ . If

$$\begin{aligned} & \max \left\{ \frac{3\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)}, \frac{2+\alpha+T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \right\} \max \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^5 \|\hat{a}_i\|_{[0,\lambda]}(l_{\mu_i}) + \sum_{j=1}^{k_0} \|\hat{b}_j\|_{[\lambda,\mu]} q_j \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \sum_{i=1}^4 \|\hat{c}_i\|_{[\mu,1]}(l_{\gamma_i}), \max \left\{ 1, \frac{1}{\Gamma(2-\beta)}, m_0 \right\} [\|\hat{P}_1\|_{[0,\lambda]} + P_2 \|\Theta\|_{[\lambda,\mu]} + \|\hat{P}_3\|_{[\mu,1]}] \right\} < 1, \end{aligned}$$

then the pointwise defined equation (1) with boundary conditions has a solution.

*Proof* Let  $x, y \in X$  and  $t \in [0, 1]$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} & |F_x(t) - F_y(t)| \\ & \leq \int_0^\lambda |G(t, s)| \left| f_1 \left( s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi) x(\xi) d\xi \right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - f_1 \left( s, y(s), y'(s), D^\beta y(s), \int_0^s h(\xi) y(\xi) d\xi \right) \right| ds \\ & \quad + \int_\lambda^\mu |G(t, s)| \left| f_2 \left( s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi) x(\xi) d\xi \right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - f_2 \left( s, y(s), y'(s), D^\beta y(s), \int_0^s h(\xi) y(\xi) d\xi \right) \right| ds \\ & \quad + \int_\mu^1 |G(t, s)| \left| f_3 \left( s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi) x(\xi) d\xi \right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - f_3 \left( s, y(s), y'(s), D^\beta y(s), \int_0^s h(\xi) y(\xi) d\xi \right) \right| ds \\ & \leq \int_0^\lambda |G(t, s)| \left| a_1(s) \phi(|x(s) - y(s)|) + a_2(s) \phi(|x'(s) - y'(s)|) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + a_3(s) \phi(|D^\beta x(s) - D^\beta y(s)|) + a_4(s) \phi \left( \left| \int_0^s h(\xi) (x(\xi) - y(\xi)) d\xi \right| \right) \right| ds \\ & \quad + \int_\lambda^\mu |G(t, s)| \sum_{i=1}^{k_0} b_i(s) H_i(|x(s) - y(s)|, |x'(s) - y'(s)|, \\ & \quad |D^\beta x(s) - D^\beta y(s)|, \left| \int_0^s h(\xi) (x(\xi) - y(\xi)) d\xi \right|) ds \\ & \quad + \int_\mu^1 |G(t, s)| \left[ c_1(s) \Phi(|x(s) - y(s)|) + c_2(s) \Phi(|x'(s) - y'(s)|) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + c_3(s) \Phi(|D^\beta x(s) - D^\beta y(s)|) + c_4(s) \Phi \left( \left| \int_0^s h(\xi) (x(\xi) - y(\xi)) d\xi \right| \right) \right] ds \\ & \leq \frac{2+\alpha+T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^\lambda (1-s)^{\alpha-2} [a_1(s) \phi(\|x - y\|) + a_2(s) \phi(\|x' - y'\|)] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + a_3(s)\phi\left(\frac{\|x' - y'\|}{\Gamma(2-\beta)}\right) + a_4(s)\phi(m_0\|x - y\|)ds \\
& + \frac{2+\alpha+T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{\lambda}^{\mu} (1-s)^{\alpha-2} \\
& \times \sum_{i=1}^{k_0} b_i(s) H_i\left(\|x - y\|, \|x' - y'\|, \frac{\|x' - y'\|}{\Gamma(2-\beta)}, m_0\|x - y\|\right) ds \\
& + \frac{2+\alpha+T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{\mu}^1 (1-s)^{\alpha-2} \left[ c_1(s)\Phi(\|x - y\|) + c_2(s)\Phi(\|x' - y'\|) \right. \\
& \left. + c_3(s)\Phi\left(\frac{\|x' - y'\|}{\Gamma(2-\beta)}\right) + c_4(s)\Phi(m_0\|x - y\|) \right] ds \\
& \leq \frac{2+\alpha+T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^4 \phi(l\|x - y\|_*) \int_0^{\lambda} (1-s)^{\alpha-2} a_i(s) ds \right. \\
& + \sum_{i=1}^{k_0} H_i(l\|x - y\|_*, \dots, l\|x - y\|_*) \int_{\lambda}^{\mu} (1-s)^{\alpha-2} b_i(s) ds \\
& \left. + \sum_{i=1}^4 \Phi(l\|x - y\|_*) \int_{\mu}^1 (1-s)^{\alpha-2} c_i(s) ds \right] \\
& = \frac{2+\alpha+T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^5 \phi(l\|x - y\|_*) \|\hat{a}_i\|_{[0,\lambda]} \right. \\
& + \sum_{i=1}^{k_0} H_i(l\|x - y\|_*, \dots, l\|x - y\|_*) \|\hat{b}_i\|_{[\lambda,\mu]} + \sum_{i=1}^4 \Phi(l\|x - y\|_*) \|\hat{c}_i\|_{[\mu,1]} \left. \right].
\end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,  $\lim_{z \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\phi_i(z)}{z^{\mu_i}} = l_{\mu_i}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq 4$ . This implies that for each  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists  $0 < \delta_i = \delta_i(\epsilon) < \epsilon$  such that  $\frac{\phi_i(z)}{z^{\mu_i}} < l_{\mu_i} + \epsilon$  for all  $z \in (0, \delta_i]$ . Hence,  $\phi_i(\delta_i) < (l_{\mu_i} + \epsilon)\delta_i^{\mu_i} < (l_{\mu_i} + \epsilon)\epsilon^{\mu_i}$ . By using a similar method, we conclude that there exists  $0 < \delta'_i = \delta'_i(\epsilon) < \epsilon$  such that  $\Phi_i(\delta'_i) < (l_{\gamma_i} + \epsilon)\delta'_i^{\gamma_i} < (l_{\gamma_i} + \epsilon)\epsilon^{\gamma_i}$ . Also, we have  $\lim_{z \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{H_j(z,z,z,z)}{z^m} = q_j$  for  $1 \leq j \leq k_0$  and so there exists  $0 < \delta_{q_j} < \epsilon$  such that  $\frac{H_j(z,z,z,z)}{z^m} < q_j + \epsilon$  for all  $z \in (0, \delta_{q_j}]$  and  $1 \leq j \leq k_0$ . Hence,  $H_j(z, z, z, z) < (q_j + \epsilon)z^m$  for all  $z \in (0, \delta_{q_j}]$  and so  $H_j(\delta_{q_j}, \delta_{q_j}, \delta_{q_j}, \delta_{q_j}) < (q_j + \epsilon)\delta_{q_j}^m < (q_j + \epsilon)\epsilon^m$ . Let  $x \rightarrow y$  in  $X$ . If  $l\|x - y\|_* < \delta := \min\{\delta_1, \dots, \delta_4, \delta'_1, \dots, \delta'_4, \delta_{q_1}, \dots, \delta_{q_{k_0}}\}$ , then  $\phi_i(\delta) < \phi_i(\delta_i) < (l_{\mu_i} + \epsilon)\epsilon^{\mu_i}$ ,  $\Phi_i(\delta) < \Phi_i(\delta'_i) < (l_{\gamma_i} + \epsilon)\epsilon^{\gamma_i}$  and  $H_j(\delta, \dots, \delta) < H_j(\delta_{q_j}, \dots, \delta_{q_j}) < (q_j + \epsilon)\epsilon^m$  for  $1 \leq i \leq 4$  and  $1 \leq j \leq k_0$ . If  $l\|x - y\|_* < \delta$ , then  $|F_x(t) - F_y(t)| \leq \frac{2+\alpha+T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)} [\sum_{i=1}^5 \|\hat{a}_i\|_{[0,\lambda]} (l_{\mu_i} + \epsilon)\epsilon^{\mu_i} + \sum_{j=1}^{k_0} \|\hat{b}_j\|_{[\lambda,\mu]} (q_j + \epsilon)\epsilon^m + \sum_{i=1}^4 \|\hat{c}_i\|_{[\mu,1]} (l_{\gamma_i} + \epsilon)\epsilon^{\gamma_i}]$  and so  $|F_x - F_y| \leq \frac{2+\alpha+T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \times [\sum_{i=1}^5 \|\hat{a}_i\|_{[0,\lambda]} (l_{\mu_i} + \epsilon)\epsilon^{\mu_i} + \sum_{j=1}^{k_0} \|\hat{b}_j\|_{[\lambda,\mu]} (q_j + \epsilon)\epsilon^m + \sum_{i=1}^4 \|\hat{c}_i\|_{[\mu,1]} (l_{\gamma_i} + \epsilon)\epsilon^{\gamma_i}]$ . By a similar way, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
\|F'_x - F'_y\| & \leq \frac{3\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^5 \|\hat{a}_i\|_{[0,\lambda]} (l_{\mu_i} + \epsilon)\epsilon^{\mu_i} + \sum_{j=1}^{k_0} \|\hat{b}_j\|_{[\lambda,\mu]} (q_j + \epsilon)\epsilon^m \right. \\
& \left. + \sum_{i=1}^4 \|\hat{c}_i\|_{[\mu,1]} (l_{\gamma_i} + \epsilon)\epsilon^{\gamma_i} \right] (l_{\gamma_i} + \epsilon)\epsilon^{\gamma_i}
\end{aligned}$$

and so  $\|F_x - F_y\|_* \leq \max\{\frac{3\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)}, \frac{2+\alpha+T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)}\} [\sum_{i=1}^5 \|\hat{a}_i\|_{[0,\lambda]} (l_{\mu_i} + \epsilon)\epsilon^{\mu_i} + \sum_{j=1}^{k_0} \|\hat{b}_j\|_{[\lambda,\mu]} (q_j + \epsilon)\epsilon^m + \sum_{i=1}^4 \|\hat{c}_i\|_{[\mu,1]} (l_{\gamma_i} + \epsilon)\epsilon^{\gamma_i}]$ . Since  $\epsilon > 0$  was arbitrary, we conclude that  $\|F_x - F_y\|_* \rightarrow 0$  as  $x \rightarrow$

$y$ . This implies that  $F$  is continuous on  $X$ . Since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\Lambda(x, x, x, x)}{x} = P_2$ ,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\Lambda(lx, lx, lx, lx)}{lx} = P_2$ , where  $l = \max\{1, \frac{1}{\Gamma(2-\beta)}, m_0\}$ . Thus for each  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists  $\delta_1 = \delta_1(\epsilon)$  such that  $\frac{\Lambda(lx, lx, lx, lx)}{lx} < P_2 + \epsilon$  for all  $x \in (0, \delta_1]$ . Hence,

$$\Lambda(lx, lx, lx, lx) < (P_2 + \epsilon)lx \quad (4)$$

for  $x \in (0, \delta_1]$ . Also,  $\lim_{|x_i| \rightarrow 0} \frac{|f_1(t, x_1, \dots, x_4)|}{\min|x_i|} = P_1(t)$ . Thus, there exists  $\delta_2 = \delta_2(\epsilon)$  such that

$$|f_1(t, x_1, \dots, x_4)| < (P_1(t) + \epsilon) \min|x_i| \quad (5)$$

for all  $t \in [0, 1]$  and  $|x_i| \in (0, \delta_2]$  for  $1 \leq i \leq 4$ . Similarly, there exists  $\delta_3 = \delta_3(\epsilon)$  such that

$$|f_3(t, x_1, \dots, x_4)| < (P_3(t) + \epsilon) \min|x_i| \quad (6)$$

for all  $t \in [0, 1]$  and  $|x_i| \in (0, \delta_3]$  for  $1 \leq i \leq 4$ . Since  $\|\hat{P}_1\|_{[0, \lambda]} + P_2 \|\Theta\|_{[\lambda, \mu]} + \|\hat{P}_3\|_{[\mu, 1]} < \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)}{l\theta_0}$ , we can choose  $\epsilon_0 > 0$  such that  $\|\hat{P}_1\|_{[0, \lambda]} + \frac{\epsilon_0}{\alpha-1}(1 - (1 - \lambda)^{\alpha-1}) + (P_2 + \epsilon_0) \|\Theta\|_{[\lambda, \mu]} + \|\hat{P}_3\|_{[\mu, 1]} + \frac{\epsilon_0}{\alpha-1}(1 - \mu)^{\alpha-1} < \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)}{l\theta_0}$ . Since

$$\max \left\{ \frac{3\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)}, \frac{2+\alpha+T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \right\} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^5 \|\hat{a}_i\|_{[0, \lambda]}(l_{\mu_i}) + \sum_{j=1}^{k_0} \|\hat{b}_j\|_{[\lambda, \mu]} q_j + \sum_{i=1}^4 \|\hat{c}_i\|_{[\mu, 1]} \right] (l_{\gamma_i}) < 1,$$

pick  $\epsilon_1 \in (0, 1)$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} & \max \left\{ \frac{3\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)}, \frac{2+\alpha+T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \right\} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^5 \|\hat{a}_i\|_{[0, \lambda]}(l_{\mu_i} + \epsilon_1) \right. \\ & \left. + \sum_{j=1}^{k_0} \|\hat{b}_j\|_{[\lambda, \mu]}(q_j + \epsilon_1) + \sum_{i=1}^4 \|\hat{c}_i\|_{[\mu, 1]} \right] (l_{\gamma_i} + \epsilon_1) < 1. \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

Let  $r_0 = \min\{\delta_1(\epsilon_0), \delta_2(\epsilon_0), \delta_3(\epsilon_0), \frac{\epsilon_1}{2}\}$ , and  $C = \{x \in X : \|x\|_* < r_0\}$ . Define the map  $\alpha$  on  $X \times X$  by

$$\alpha(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1, & x, y \in C, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Let  $x, y \in X$  and  $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$ . Then  $x, y \in C$  and so

$$\begin{aligned} |F_x(t)| & \leq \int_0^\lambda |G(t, s)| \left| f_1 \left( s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi) d\xi \right) \right| ds \\ & \quad + \int_\lambda^\mu |G(t, s)| \left| f_2 \left( s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi) d\xi \right) \right| ds \\ & \quad + \int_\mu^1 |G(t, s)| \left| f_3 \left( s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi) d\xi \right) \right| ds \\ & \leq \frac{2+\alpha+T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \left[ \int_0^\lambda (1-s)^{\alpha-2} \left| f_1 \left( s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi) d\xi \right) \right| ds \right. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \int_{\lambda}^{\mu} (1-s)^{\alpha-2} \left| f_2 \left( s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi) d\xi \right) \right| ds \\
& + \int_{\mu}^1 (1-s)^{\alpha-2} \left| 3_2 \left( s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi) d\xi \right) \right| ds \Big] \\
& \leq \frac{2+\alpha+T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \left[ \int_0^{\lambda} (1-s)^{\alpha-2} \left| f_1 \left( s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi) d\xi \right) \right| ds \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \int_{\lambda}^{\mu} (1-s)^{\alpha-2} \Theta(s) \Lambda \left( x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi) d\xi \right) ds \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \int_{\mu}^1 (1-s)^{\alpha-2} \left| 3_2 \left( s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi) d\xi \right) \right| ds \right] \\
& \leq \frac{2+\alpha+T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \left[ \int_0^{\lambda} (1-s)^{\alpha-2} \left| f_1 \left( s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi) d\xi \right) \right| ds \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \int_{\lambda}^{\mu} (1-s)^{\alpha-2} \Theta(s) \Lambda \left( \|x\|, \|x'\|, \frac{\|x'\|}{\Gamma(2-\beta)}, m_0 \|x\| \right) ds \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \int_{\mu}^1 (1-s)^{\alpha-2} \left| 3_2 \left( s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi) d\xi \right) \right| ds \right] \\
& \leq \frac{2+\alpha+T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \left[ \int_0^{\lambda} (1-s)^{\alpha-2} \left| f_1 \left( s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi) d\xi \right) \right| ds \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \int_{\lambda}^{\mu} (1-s)^{\alpha-2} \Theta(s) \Lambda(l \|x\|_*, l \|x\|_*, l \|x\|_*, l \|x\|_*) ds \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \int_{\mu}^1 (1-s)^{\alpha-2} \left| 3_2 \left( s, x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi) d\xi \right) \right| ds \right]
\end{aligned}$$

for all  $t \in [0, 1]$ . Since  $\|x\|_* < r_0$ ,  $x \in [0, \min\{\delta_1, \delta_2, \delta_3\}]$  and so by using (4), (5) and (6) we conclude that

$$\begin{aligned}
|F_x(t)| & \leq \frac{2+\alpha+T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \\
& \times \left[ \int_0^{\lambda} (1-s)^{\alpha-2} (P_1(s) + \epsilon) \min \left\{ x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi) d\xi \right\} ds \right. \\
& + (P_2 + \epsilon_0) l \|x\|_* \int_{\lambda}^{\mu} (1-s)^{\alpha-2} \Theta(s) ds \\
& \quad \left. + \int_{\mu}^1 (1-s)^{\alpha-2} (P_3(s) + \epsilon_0) \min \left\{ x(s), x'(s), D^\beta x(s), \int_0^s h(\xi)x(\xi) d\xi \right\} ds \right] \\
& \leq \frac{2+\alpha+T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \left[ \int_0^{\lambda} (1-s)^{\alpha-2} (P_1(s) + \epsilon) \min \left\{ \|x\|, \|x'\|, \frac{\|x'\|}{\Gamma(2-\beta)}, m_0 \|x\| \right\} ds \right. \\
& \quad \left. + (P_2 + \epsilon_0) l \|x\|_* \|\hat{\Theta}\|_{[\lambda, \mu]} \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \int_{\mu}^1 (1-s)^{\alpha-2} (P_3(s) + \epsilon_0) \min \left\{ \|x\|, \|x'\|, \frac{\|x'\|}{\Gamma(2-\beta)}, m_0 \|x\| \right\} ds \right] \\
& \leq \frac{2+\alpha+T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \left[ l \|x\|_* \int_0^{\lambda} (1-s)^{\alpha-2} (P_1(s) + \epsilon_0) ds + (P_2 + \epsilon) l \|x\|_* \|\hat{\Theta}\|_{[\lambda, \mu]} \right. \\
& \quad \left. + l \|x\|_* \int_{\mu}^1 (1-s)^{\alpha-2} (P_3(s) + \epsilon_0) ds \right]
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{2+\alpha+T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)} l \|x\|_* \left[ \int_0^\lambda (1-s)^{\alpha-2} P_1(s) ds + \epsilon_0 \int_0^\lambda (1-s)^{\alpha-2} ds \right. \\
&\quad \left. + (P_2 + \epsilon_0) \|\hat{\Theta}\|_{[\lambda,\mu]} + \int_\mu^1 (1-s)^{\alpha-2} P_3(s) ds + \epsilon_0 \int_\mu^1 (1-s)^{\alpha-2} ds \right] \\
&= \frac{2+\alpha+T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)} l \|x\|_* \left[ \|\hat{P}_1\|_{[0,\lambda]} + \frac{\epsilon_0}{\alpha-1} (1 - (1-\lambda)^{\alpha-1}) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + (P_2 + \epsilon_0) \|\hat{\Theta}\|_{[\lambda,\mu]} + \|\hat{P}_3\|_{[\mu,1]} + \frac{\epsilon_0}{\alpha-1} (1 - \mu)^{\alpha-1} \right] \\
&\leq \theta_0 l \left[ \|\hat{P}_1\|_{[0,\lambda]} + \frac{\epsilon_0}{\alpha-1} (1 - (1-\lambda)^{\alpha-1}) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + (P_2 + \epsilon_0) \|\hat{\Theta}\|_{[\lambda,\mu]} + \|\hat{P}_3\|_{[\mu,1]} + \frac{\epsilon_0}{\alpha-1} (1 - \mu)^{\alpha-1} \right] \|x\|_* \\
&\leq \|x\|_*
\end{aligned}$$

and so  $\|Fx\| \leq \|x\|_* < r_0$ . Also, we can conclude that  $\|F'x\| \leq \|x\|_* < r_0$ . Hence,  $\|Fx\| < r_0$  and so  $F_x \in C$ . For the same reason,  $F_y \in C$ . Similar to (7), we conclude that

$$\begin{aligned}
\|F_x - F_y\|_* &\leq \max \left\{ \frac{3\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)}, \frac{2+\alpha+T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \right\} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^5 \|\hat{a}_i\|_{[0,\lambda]} (l_{\mu_i} + \epsilon_1) \|x - y\|_*^{\mu_i} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \sum_{j=1}^{k_0} \|\hat{b}_j\|_{[\lambda,\mu]} (q_j + \epsilon_1) \|x - y\|_*^m + \sum_{i=1}^4 \|\hat{c}_i\|_{[\mu,1]} \right] (l_{\gamma_i} + \epsilon_1) \|x - y\|_*^{\gamma_i} \\
&\leq \max \left\{ \frac{3\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)}, \frac{2+\alpha+T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \right\} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^5 \|\hat{a}_i\|_{[0,\lambda]} (l_{\mu_i} + \epsilon_1) \|x - y\|_* \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \sum_{j=1}^{k_0} \|\hat{b}_j\|_{[\lambda,\mu]} (q_j + \epsilon_1) \|x - y\|_* + \sum_{i=1}^4 \|\hat{c}_i\|_{[\mu,1]} \right] (l_{\gamma_i} + \epsilon_1) \|x - y\|_* \\
&= \max \left\{ \frac{3\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)}, \frac{2+\alpha+T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \right\} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^5 \|\hat{a}_i\|_{[0,\lambda]} (l_{\mu_i} + \epsilon_1) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \sum_{j=1}^{k_0} \|\hat{b}_j\|_{[\lambda,\mu]} (q_j + \epsilon_1) + \sum_{i=1}^4 \|\hat{c}_i\|_{[\mu,1]} \right] (l_{\gamma_i} + \epsilon_1) \|x - y\|_*
\end{aligned}$$

whenever  $\|x - y\|_* < \epsilon_1$ . Thus,  $\|x - y\|_* \leq \|x\|_* + \|y\|_* \leq \epsilon_0$  whenever  $x, y \in C$ . Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}
\|F_x - F_y\|_* &\leq \max \left\{ \frac{3\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)}, \frac{2+\alpha+T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \right\} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^5 \|\hat{a}_i\|_{[0,\lambda]} (l_{\mu_i} + \epsilon_1) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \sum_{j=1}^{k_0} \|\hat{b}_j\|_{[\lambda,\mu]} (q_j + \epsilon_1) + \sum_{i=1}^4 \|\hat{c}_i\|_{[\mu,1]} \right] (l_{\gamma_i} + \epsilon_1) \|x - y\|_* \\
&= \psi(\|x - y\|_*)
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}\psi(t) = \max \left\{ \frac{3\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)}, \frac{2+\alpha+T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \right\} & \left[ \sum_{i=1}^5 \|\hat{a}_i\|_{[0,\lambda]} (l_{\mu_i} + \epsilon_1) \right. \\ & + \sum_{j=1}^{k_0} \|\hat{b}_j\|_{[\lambda,\mu]} (q_j + \epsilon_1) \\ & \left. + \sum_{i=1}^4 \|\hat{c}_i\|_{[\mu,1]} (l_{\gamma_i} + \epsilon_1) \right] t.\end{aligned}$$

Note that  $\psi \in \Psi$ . Now by using Theorem 6,  $F$  has a fixed point and so the pointwise defined problem (1) has a solution.  $\square$

*Example 2* Consider the problem

$$D^{\frac{7}{2}}x(t) + f\left(t, x(t), x'(t), D^{\frac{1}{2}}x(t), \int_0^t x(\xi) d\xi\right) = 0$$

with boundary conditions  $x(0) = x'(\frac{1}{3})$ ,  $x(1) = x'(\frac{1}{2})$  and  $x''(0) = 0$ , where

$$f(t, x_1, \dots, x_4) = \begin{cases} f_1(t, x_1, \dots, x_4) := t^2 (\sum_{i=1}^4 x_i(s)), & t \in [0, 0.7], \\ f_2(t, x_1, \dots, x_4) := \frac{0.1}{p(t)} \sum_{i=1}^4 \frac{|x_i(t)|}{1+|x_i(t)|}, & \frac{t}{3} \in [0.7, 0.7], \\ f_3(t, x_1, \dots, x_4) := t (\sum_{i=1}^4 x_i(s)), & t \in [0.9, 1], \end{cases}$$

and

$$p(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & t \in [0.2, 0.9] \cap Q, \\ t, & t \in [0.2, 0.9] \cap Q^c. \end{cases}$$

Put  $a_i(t) = a(t) = t^2$ ,  $b_j(t) = b(t) = \frac{0.1}{p(t)}$  and  $c_i(t) = c(t) = t$  (for  $1 \leq i \leq 4$ ,  $k_0 = 1$ ). Then we have  $|f_1(t, x_1, \dots, x_4) - f_1(t, y_1, \dots, y_4)| \leq t^2 \sum_{i=1}^4 |x_i - y_i| = a(t) \sum_{i=1}^4 \phi(|x_i - y_i|)$ ,

$$|f_3(t, x_1, \dots, x_4) - f_3(t, y_1, \dots, y_4)| \leq t \sum_{i=1}^4 |x_i - y_i| = c(t) \sum_{i=1}^4 \Phi(|x_i - y_i|),$$

and

$$|f_2(t, x_1, \dots, x_4) - f_2(t, y_1, \dots, y_4)| \leq t^2 \sum_{i=1}^4 |x_i - y_i| = b(t) \sum_{i=1}^4 H(|x_i - y_i|),$$

where  $\phi(z) = z$ ,  $\Phi(z) = z$  and  $H(z_1, \dots, z_4) = z_1 + \dots + z_4$ . Put  $\mu_i = \gamma_i = m = 1$ . Then we have  $\lim_{z \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\phi(z)}{z} = 1$ ,  $\lim_{z \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\Phi(z)}{z} = 1$  and  $\lim_{z \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{H_j(z, z, z, z)}{z} = 1$ . Also,  $\lim_{\max|x_i| \rightarrow 0} \frac{|f_1(t, x_1, \dots, x_4)|}{\max|x_i|} = 4t^2 = P_1(t)$ ,  $\lim_{\max|x_i| \rightarrow 0} \frac{|f_3(t, x_1, \dots, x_4)|}{\max|x_i|} = 4t = P_3(t)$  and  $|f_2(t, x_1, \dots, x_4)| \leq \Theta(t) \Lambda(x_1, \dots, x_4)$ , where  $\Theta(t) = p(t)$  and  $\Lambda(x_1, \dots, x_4) = \sum_{i=1}^5 \frac{|x_i|}{1+|x_i|}$ . It is easy to see that  $\phi$ ,  $\Phi$ ,  $H$  and  $\Lambda$  satisfy

the conditions of Theorem 6 and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\Lambda(x,x,x,x)}{x} = 4 := P_2$ . Also, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \max \left\{ \frac{3\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)}, \frac{2+\alpha+T_0}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \right\} \cdot \max \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^5 \|\hat{a}_i\|_{[0,\lambda]}(l_{\mu_i}) + \sum_{j=1}^{k_0} \|\hat{b}_j\|_{[\lambda,\mu]} q_j \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \sum_{i=1}^4 \|\hat{c}_i\|_{[\mu,1]}(l_{\gamma_i}), \max \left\{ 1, \frac{1}{\Gamma(2-\beta)}, m_0 \right\} [\|\hat{P}_1\|_{[0,\lambda]} + P_2 \|\Theta\|_{[\lambda,\mu]} + \|\hat{P}_3\|_{[\mu,1]}] \right\} \\ & \leq \frac{\frac{21}{2}}{\frac{15\sqrt{\pi}}{8}} \max \{0.19 + 0.005 + 0.9, 1.13[0.19 + 0.02 + 0.9]\} < 1. \end{aligned}$$

By using Theorem 6, the pointwise defined problem has a solution.

### 3 Conclusion

It is very important that we increase our abilities of natural phenomenon modeling. In this way, it is better we investigate different types of high order fractional integro-differential equations or new type model ones. One of the new models is described by the three step crisis fractional integro-differential equations which have been introduced recently. In this work, we reviewed the existence of solutions for a three step crisis fractional integro-differential equation under some boundary conditions.

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