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# Analysis of a Fractional-Order Quadratic Functional Integro-Differential Equation with Nonlocal Fractional-Order Integro-Differential Condition

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**Abstract:** Here, we center on the solvability of a fractional-order quadratic functional integro-differential equation with a nonlocal fractional-order integro-differential condition in the class of continuous functions. The maximal and minimal solutions will be discussed. The continuous dependence of the solutions on a few parameters will be examined. Finally, the problems of conjugate orders and integer orders, and some other problems and remarks will be discussed and presented.

**Keywords:** Caputo fractional derivative; fractional-order integro-differential equations; conjugate-order integro-differential equations; Schauder fixed-point theorem; maximal and minimal solutions; continuous dependence

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## 1. Introduction

The solvability of nonlocal problems of fractional orders has been discussed by many authors; see, for example, refs. [1–9].

Many existence and uniqueness results of differential equations and inclusions with nonlocal boundary conditions have been investigated by some researchers and using different techniques (see [4–8] and the references therein).

Some existence results under mixed Lipschitz and Caratheodory conditions have been discussed for functional integro-differential equations of fractional orders, and the existence of some properties of the solution has been proved in [6].

Subashini et al. [10] discussed the existence of a nonlocal fractional integro-differential problem of the Hilfer type by applying the Monch fixed-point theorem and techniques of measure of noncompactness.

An investigation described the applicability of the a priori estimate method on a nonlocal, nonlinear fractional differential equation for which the weak solution and the unique solution exist [11].

Motivated by the above results, we discuss the solvability of the nonlocal problem of the fractional-order quadratic functional integro-differential equation

$$\frac{dx}{d\tau}(\tau) = f_1\left(\tau, D^\alpha x(\tau) \times \mathfrak{I}^\beta f_2(\tau, D^\gamma x(\tau))\right), \quad \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in (0, 1], \quad \tau \in (0, 1] \quad (1)$$

with the nonlocal fractional-order integro-differential condition

$$x(0) + \int_0^1 h(\zeta, x(\zeta), D^\delta x(\zeta)) d\zeta = x_0, \quad \delta \in (0, 1], \quad (2)$$

where  $\mathfrak{J}^\beta$  is the fractional Riemann–Liouville integral of order  $\beta$  and  $D^\alpha$  is a Caputo fractional derivative of order  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ .

We investigate the existence of a solution to problem (1) and (2) in  $C(I)$  of all continuous functions on  $I = [0, 1]$ . Moreover, we establish some features and characteristics of these solutions and obtain some particular cases and remarks.

Now, we recall the following definitions.

**Definition 1** ([12]). Let  $h \in L^1(I)$ ,  $\beta \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . The Riemann–Liouville fractional integral of  $h$  of order  $\beta$  is given by

$$\mathfrak{J}^\beta h(\tau) = \int_0^\tau \frac{(\tau - s)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} h(s) ds,$$

**Definition 2.** Caputo, M. Fractional derivative  $D_a^\alpha$  of order  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$  of  $h(\tau) \in AC(I)$  is given by (see [12])

$$D^\alpha h(\tau) = \int_0^\tau \frac{(\tau - s)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1 - \alpha)} \frac{d}{ds} h(s) ds = \mathfrak{J}^{1-\alpha} \frac{d}{d\tau} h(\tau)$$

## 2. Existence of Solution

We take into account the following assumptions:

- (i)  $f_1 : I \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is measurable in  $\tau \in I \forall y \in \mathbb{R}$  and continuous in  $y \in \mathbb{R} \forall \tau \in I$ . Furthermore,  $\exists$  a bounded measurable function  $a_1 : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and a constant  $b_1 > 0$  where

$$|f_1(\tau, y)| \leq |a_1(\tau)| + b_1|y| \leq a_1^* + b_1|y|, \quad a_1^* = \sup_{\tau \in I} \mathfrak{J}^{1-\alpha} |a_1(\tau)|.$$

- (ii)  $f_2 : I \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is measurable in  $\tau \in I \forall y \in \mathbb{R}$  and continuous in  $y \in \mathbb{R} \forall \tau \in I$ . Furthermore,  $\exists$  a bounded measurable function  $a_2 : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and a constant  $b_2 > 0$  where

$$|f_2(\tau, y)| \leq |a_2(\tau)| + b_2|y| \leq a_2^* + b_2|y|, \quad a_2^* = \sup_{\tau \in I} \mathfrak{J}^\beta |a_2(\tau)|.$$

- (iii)  $r_1$  is a positive root of the following equation:

$$a_1^* + \left( \frac{b_1 a_2^*}{\Gamma(2 - \alpha)} - 1 \right) r_1 + \frac{b_1 b_2 r_1^2}{\Gamma(2 - \alpha) \Gamma(\alpha + \beta - \gamma + 1)} = 0. \tag{3}$$

- (iv)  $h : I \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is measurable in  $\tau$  for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  and continuous in  $x, y$  for  $\tau \in I$ , and there exists a bounded measurable function  $a_3 : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and a constant  $b_3 > 0$  where

$$|h(\tau, x, y)| \leq |a_3(\tau)| + b_3(|x| + |y|)$$

where

$$\sup_{\tau \in I} \int_0^\tau |a_3(\zeta)| d\zeta \leq N.$$

- (v)  $\|x_0\| > N + \frac{b_3 r_1}{\Gamma(\alpha - \delta + 1)} - \frac{r_1}{\Gamma(\alpha + 1)}$

Now, we have to prove the following auxiliary result.

**Lemma 1.** The solution to the problem (1) and (2) is given in the form, if it exists,

$$x(\tau) = x_0 - \int_0^1 h(\zeta, x(\zeta), \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\delta} y(\zeta)) d\zeta + \mathfrak{J}^\alpha y(\tau), \quad \delta, \gamma \leq \alpha. \tag{4}$$

where  $y$  satisfies the equation

$$y(\tau) = \mathfrak{J}^{1-\alpha} f_1 \left( \tau, y(\tau) \times \int_0^\tau \frac{(\tau - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-\gamma)} y(\sigma) d\sigma) d\theta \right) \tag{5}$$

and the two systems (1) and (2), and (4) and (5) are equivalent such that  $\delta, \gamma \leq \alpha$ .

**Proof.**  $x$  is a solution of (1) and (2). Then, we obtain

$$D^\alpha x(\tau) = \mathfrak{J}^{1-\alpha} \frac{dx}{d\tau} = \mathfrak{J}^{1-\alpha} f_1(\tau, D^\alpha x(\tau) \times \mathfrak{J}^\beta f_2(\tau, \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\gamma} y(\tau))).$$

We take  $D^\alpha x(\tau) = y(\tau)$ ; thus,

$$y(\tau) = \mathfrak{J}^{1-\alpha} f_1 \left( \tau, y(\tau) \times \int_0^\tau \frac{(\tau - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-\gamma)} y(\sigma) d\sigma) d\theta \right)$$

and

$$x(\tau) = x(0) + \mathfrak{J}^\alpha y(\tau). \tag{6}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\delta} y(\tau) &= \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\delta} D^\alpha x(\tau) = \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\delta} \mathfrak{J}^{1-\alpha} \frac{dx}{d\tau} \\ &= \mathfrak{J}^{1-\delta} \frac{dx}{d\tau} = D^\delta x(\tau), \end{aligned}$$

then from (2) and (6), we obtain (4).

By letting  $y(\tau) = D^\alpha x(\tau)$  in (4), we obtain (2), and in (5), we obtain

$$\mathfrak{J}^{1-\alpha} \frac{d}{d\tau} x(\tau) = \mathfrak{J}^{1-\alpha} f_1 \left( \tau, D^\alpha x(\tau) \times \int_0^\tau \frac{(\tau - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} f_2(\theta, D^\gamma x(\theta) d\theta) \right).$$

Operating by  $\mathfrak{J}^\alpha$ , then by  $\frac{d}{d\tau}$ , respectively, we obtain (1). This proves the equivalence of the two systems (1) and (2), and (4) and (5).  $\square$

**Theorem 1.** Let us assume that the conditions (i)–(iv) hold; then, problem (1) and (2) has a solution in  $C(I)$ .

**Proof.** We characterize a closed ball  $Q_{r_1}$  and an operator  $F_1$  as

$$Q_{r_1} = \{y \in C(I) : \|y\| \leq r_1\}, \quad r_1 = a_1^* + \frac{1}{\Gamma(2-\alpha)} (r_1 b_1 a_2^* + \frac{b_1 b_2 r_1^2}{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta - \gamma + 1)})$$

and

$$F_1 y(\tau) = \mathfrak{J}^{1-\alpha} f_1 \left( \tau, y(\tau) \times \int_0^\tau \frac{(\tau - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-\gamma)} y(\sigma) d\sigma) d\theta \right) d\zeta.$$

For  $y \in Q_{r_1}$ , we can obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 |y(\tau)| &= \mathfrak{J}^{1-\alpha} \left| f_1 \left( \tau, y(\tau) \times \mathfrak{J}^\beta f_2(\tau, \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\gamma} y(\tau)) \right) \right| \\
 &\leq \mathfrak{J}^{1-\alpha} \left[ |a_1(\tau)| + b_1 |y(\tau) \times \mathfrak{J}^\beta f_2(\tau, \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\gamma} y(\tau))| \right] \\
 &\leq \mathfrak{J}^{1-\alpha} \left[ |a_1(\tau)| + b_1 \|y\| (a_2^* + b_2 \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha+\beta-\gamma} \|y\|) \right] \\
 &\leq \mathfrak{J}^{1-\alpha} \left[ |a_1(\tau)| + b_1 r_1 (a_2^* + \frac{r_1 b_2}{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta - \gamma + 1)}) \right],
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathfrak{J}^{1-\alpha} |f_1(\tau, y(\tau) \times \mathfrak{J}^\beta f_2(\tau, \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\gamma} y(\tau)))| \leq a_1^* + \frac{1}{\Gamma(2-\alpha)} (r_1 b_1 a_2^* + \frac{r_1^2 b_1 b_2}{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta - \gamma + 1)})$$

and we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned}
 |F_1 y(\tau)| &= \left| \int_0^\tau \frac{(\tau - \varsigma)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1-\alpha)} f_1 \left( \varsigma, y(\varsigma) \times \int_0^\varsigma \frac{(\varsigma - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-\gamma)} y(\sigma) d\sigma) d\theta \right) d\varsigma \right| \\
 &\leq \int_0^\tau \frac{(\tau - \varsigma)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1-\alpha)} \left( a_1 + b_1 |y(\varsigma) \times \int_0^\varsigma \frac{(\varsigma - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-\gamma)} y(\sigma) d\sigma) d\theta| \right) d\varsigma \\
 &\leq \int_0^\tau \frac{(\tau - \varsigma)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1-\alpha)} \left( a_1 + b_1 \|y\| \times (a_2^* + \frac{b_2 \|y\|}{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta - \gamma + 1)}) \right) d\varsigma \\
 &\leq a_1^* + \frac{1}{\Gamma(2-\alpha)} (r_1 b_1 a_2^* + \frac{b_1 b_2 r_1^2}{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta - \gamma + 1)}) = r_1.
 \end{aligned}$$

So, we have

$$\|F_1 y\| \leq a_1^* + \frac{1}{\Gamma(2-\alpha)} (r_1 b_1 a_2^* + \frac{b_1 b_2 r_1^2}{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta - \gamma + 1)}) = r_1.$$

This proves that  $F_1 : Q_{r_1} \rightarrow Q_{r_1}$  and the family  $\{F_1 y\}$  is uniformly bounded on  $Q_{r_1}$ . Let  $y \in Q_{r_1}$  and  $\tau_1, \tau_2 \in I$ , where  $\tau_2 > \tau_1$  and  $|\tau_1 - \tau_2| \leq \delta$ ; therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
 |F_1 y(\tau_2) - F_1 y(\tau_1)| &= \\
 &\left| \int_0^{\tau_2} \frac{(\tau_2 - \varsigma)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1-\alpha)} f_1 \left( \varsigma, y(\varsigma) \times \int_0^\varsigma \frac{(\varsigma - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-\gamma)} y(\sigma) d\sigma) d\theta \right) d\varsigma \right. \\
 &- \left. \int_0^{\tau_1} \frac{(\tau_1 - \varsigma)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1-\alpha)} f_1 \left( \varsigma, y(\varsigma) \times \int_0^\varsigma \frac{(\varsigma - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-\gamma)} y(\sigma) d\sigma) d\theta \right) d\varsigma \right| \\
 &\leq \left| \int_0^{\tau_1} \frac{(\tau_2 - \varsigma)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1-\alpha)} f_1 \left( \varsigma, y(\varsigma) \times \int_0^\varsigma \frac{(\varsigma - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-\gamma)} y(\sigma) d\sigma) d\theta \right) d\varsigma \right. \\
 &+ \left. \int_{\tau_1}^{\tau_2} \frac{(\tau_2 - \varsigma)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1-\alpha)} f_1 \left( \varsigma, y(\varsigma) \times \int_0^\varsigma \frac{(\varsigma - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-\gamma)} y(\sigma) d\sigma) d\theta \right) d\varsigma \right. \\
 &- \left. \int_0^{\tau_1} \frac{(\tau_1 - \varsigma)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1-\alpha)} f_1 \left( \varsigma, y(\varsigma) \times \int_0^\varsigma \frac{(\varsigma - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-\gamma)} y(\sigma) d\sigma) d\theta \right) d\varsigma \right| \\
 &\leq \left| \int_0^{\tau_1} \frac{(\tau_2 - \varsigma)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1-\alpha)} - \frac{(\tau_1 - \varsigma)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1-\alpha)} (a_1^* + r_1 b_1 a_2^* + \frac{b_1 b_2 r_1^2}{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta - \gamma + 1)}) d\varsigma \right. \\
 &+ \left. \int_{\tau_1}^{\tau_2} \frac{(\tau_2 - \varsigma)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1-\alpha)} (a_1 + \frac{b_1 a_2 r_1}{\Gamma(1+\beta)} + \frac{b_1 b_2 r_1^2}{\Gamma(1+\beta)\Gamma(1+\alpha-\gamma)}) d\varsigma \right| \\
 &\leq \int_0^{\tau_1} \left| \frac{(\tau_2 - \varsigma)^{-\alpha} - (\tau_1 - \varsigma)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1-\alpha)(\tau_1 - \varsigma)^\alpha (\tau_2 - \varsigma)^\alpha} \right| (a_1^* + r_1 b_1 a_2^* + \frac{b_1 b_2 r_1^2}{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta - \gamma + 1)}) d\varsigma \\
 &+ \int_{\tau_1}^{\tau_2} \left| \frac{(\tau_2 - \varsigma)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1-\alpha)(\tau_2 - \varsigma)^\alpha} \right| (a_1^* + r_1 b_1 a_2^* + \frac{b_1 b_2 r_1^2}{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta - \gamma + 1)}) d\varsigma.
 \end{aligned}$$

This shows that family  $\{F_1 y\}$  is equi-continuous on  $Q_{r_1}$ , and by the Arzela–Ascoli result [13], mapping  $F_1$  is relatively compact.

Let  $\{y_n\} \subset Q_{r_1}$  be such that  $y_n \rightarrow y$ ; then,

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_1 y_n(\tau) &= \mathfrak{J}^{1-\alpha} f_1\left(\tau, y_n(\tau) \times \int_0^\tau \frac{(\tau-\theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta-\sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-\gamma)} y_n(\sigma) d\sigma) d\theta\right), \\
 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_1 y_n(\tau) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathfrak{J}^{1-\alpha} f_1\left(\tau, y_n(\tau) \times \int_0^\tau \frac{(\tau-\theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta-\sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-\gamma)} y_n(\sigma) d\sigma) d\theta\right) \\
 &= \mathfrak{J}^{1-\alpha} f_1\left(\tau, y(\tau) \times \int_0^\tau \frac{(\tau-\theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta-\sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-\gamma)} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n(\sigma) d\sigma) d\theta\right) d\zeta \\
 &= \int_0^\tau \frac{(\tau-\zeta)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1-\alpha)} f_1\left(\zeta, y(\zeta) \times \int_0^\zeta \frac{(\zeta-\theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta-\sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-\gamma)} y(\sigma) d\sigma) d\theta\right) d\zeta \\
 &= F_1 y(\tau).
 \end{aligned}$$

This yields that  $F_1 y_n(\tau) \rightarrow F_1 y(\tau)$ .

Thus, mapping  $F_1$  is continuous, and by applying the Schauder fixed-point theorem [13],  $y \in Q_{r_1} \subset C(I)$  is a solution of (5).

To prove that  $x \in C(I)$  exists and satisfies Equation (4), we prove the next result.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.** *Let us suppose that (i)–(iv) are satisfied; then, for a fixed function  $y$  (given by Theorem 1),  $\exists x \in C(I)$  and satisfies (4).*

**Proof.** Let  $Q_{r_2}$  be the closed ball

$$Q_{r_2} = \{x \in C(I) : \|x\| \leq r_2\}, \quad r_2 = \frac{\|x_0\| - N - \frac{b_3 r_1}{\Gamma(\alpha-\delta+1)} + \frac{r_1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)}}{(1+b_3)}$$

and define operator  $F_2$

$$F_2 x(\tau) = x_0 - \int_0^1 h(\zeta, x(\zeta), \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\delta} y(\zeta)) d\zeta + \mathfrak{J}^\alpha y(\tau).$$

Let  $x \in Q_{r_2}$ ; then,

$$\begin{aligned}
 |F_2 x(\tau)| &= \left| x_0 - \int_0^1 h(\zeta, x(\zeta), \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\delta} y(\zeta)) d\zeta + \mathfrak{J}^\alpha y(\tau) \right| \\
 &\leq |x_0| - \int_0^1 |h(\zeta, x(\zeta), \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\delta} y(\zeta))| d\zeta + \mathfrak{J}^\alpha |y(\tau)| \\
 &\leq |x_0| - \int_0^1 \left( |a_3| + b_3(|x(\zeta)| + \frac{\|y\|}{\Gamma(\alpha-\delta+1)}) \right) d\zeta + \frac{\|y\|}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \\
 &\leq |x_0| - \int_0^1 |a_3(\zeta)| d\zeta - b_3 \int_0^1 |x(\zeta)| d\zeta - \frac{b_3 r_1}{\Gamma(\alpha-\delta+1)} \int_0^1 d\zeta + \frac{r_1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \\
 &\leq \|x_0\| - N - b_3 r_2 - \frac{b_3 r_1}{\Gamma(\alpha-\delta+1)} + \frac{r_1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} = r_2
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\|F_2 x\| \leq |x_0| - N - b_3 r_2 - \frac{b_3 r_1}{\Gamma(\alpha-\delta+1)} + \frac{r_1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} = r_2$$

Similarly as performed above,  $F_2 : Q_{r_2} \rightarrow Q_{r_2}$ , and  $\{F_2 x\}$  is uniformly bounded on  $Q_{r_2}$ . Let  $x \in Q_{r_2}$  and  $\tau_1, \tau_2 \in I$ ; moreover,  $\tau_2 > \tau_1$  and  $|\tau_1 - \tau_2| \leq \delta$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned}
 |F_2x(\tau_2) - F_2x(\tau_1)| &= \left| x_0 - \int_0^1 h(\zeta, x(\zeta), \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\delta}y(\zeta))d\zeta + \mathfrak{J}^\alpha y(\tau_2) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - x_0 + \int_0^1 h(\zeta, x(\zeta), \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\delta}y(\zeta))d\zeta - \mathfrak{J}^\alpha y(\tau_1) \right| \\
 &\leq \int_0^{\tau_2} |f_1(\zeta, y(\zeta)) \times \mathfrak{J}^\beta f_2(\tau, \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\gamma}y(\zeta))|d\zeta \\
 &\quad - \int_0^{\tau_1} |f_1(\zeta, y(\zeta)) \times \mathfrak{J}^\beta f_2(\tau, \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\gamma}y(\zeta))|d\zeta \\
 &\leq \int_{\tau_1}^{\tau_2} |f_1(\zeta, y(\zeta)) \times \mathfrak{J}^\beta f_2(\tau, \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\gamma}y(\zeta))|d\zeta.
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, family  $\{F_2x\}$  is equicontinuous on  $Q_{r_2}$ , and operator  $F_2$  is relatively compact. For  $\{x_n\} \subset Q_{r_2}$ , and  $x_n \rightarrow y$ ; then,

$$F_2x_n(\tau) = x_0 - \int_0^1 h(\zeta, x(\zeta), \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\delta}y(\zeta))d\zeta + \mathfrak{J}^\alpha y(\tau)$$

and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_2x_n(\tau) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( x_0 - \int_0^1 h(\zeta, x(\zeta), \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\delta}y(\zeta))d\zeta + \mathfrak{J}^\alpha y(\tau) \right)$$

Using the Lebesgue dominated convergence theorem, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_2x_n(\tau) &= x_0 - \int_0^1 h(\zeta, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x(\zeta), \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\delta}y(\zeta))d\zeta + \mathfrak{J}^\alpha y(\tau) \\
 &= x_0 - \int_0^1 h(\zeta, x(\zeta), \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\delta}y(\zeta))d\zeta + \mathfrak{J}^\alpha y(\tau) = F_2x(\tau)
 \end{aligned}$$

This means that  $F_2x_n(\tau) \rightarrow F_2x(\tau)$ . Hence, operator  $F_2$  is continuous, and there exists  $x \in Q_{r_2} \subset C(I)$  that satisfies (4).

Therefore, we prove the existence of a continuous solution  $x$  of Equation (4).  $\square$

### 2.1. Conjugate-Order Problem

For  $\gamma = 1 - \alpha$ ,  $\alpha \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1)$  in problem (1) and (2), we have the nonlocal problem of conjugate-orders  $(\alpha, 1 - \alpha)$

$$\frac{dx}{d\tau}(\tau) = f_1\left(\tau, D^\alpha x(\tau) \times \mathfrak{J}^\beta f_2(\tau, D^{1-\alpha}x(\tau))\right), \quad \alpha, \beta \in (0, 1], \tau \in (0, 1] \tag{7}$$

with nonlocal fractional-order integro-differential condition (2).

By putting  $D^\alpha x(\tau) = y(\tau)$ , we can prove that nonlocal problem (7) with condition (2) is equivalent to the functional integral equation

$$y(\tau) = \mathfrak{J}^{1-\alpha} f_1\left(\tau, y(\tau) \times \mathfrak{J}^\beta f_2(\tau, \mathfrak{J}^{2\alpha-1}y(\tau))\right), \quad \alpha \geq \frac{1}{2} \tag{8}$$

with (4). Then, by applying Theorems 1 and 2, we can deduce the solvability of nonlocal problem (7) and (2) in  $C(I)$ .

### 2.2. Absolutely Continuous Solution

By taking  $y(\tau) = \frac{dx}{d\tau}(\tau)$ , (1) and (2) reduce to the fractional-order quadratic integral equation

$$y(\tau) = f_1\left(\tau, \mathfrak{J}^{1-\alpha}y(\tau) \times \mathfrak{J}^\beta f_2(\tau, \mathfrak{J}^{1-\gamma}y(\tau))\right), \quad \tau \in (0, 1] \tag{9}$$

and the nonlocal integro-differential condition

$$x(0) + \int_0^1 h(\zeta, x_0 + \int_0^\zeta y(s)ds, \mathfrak{J}^{1-\delta}y(\zeta))d\zeta = x_0. \tag{10}$$

In the same way as in Lemma 1, we can prove the equivalence between (1) and (2), and system (9) and

$$x(\tau) = x_0 - \int_0^1 h(\zeta, x(\zeta), y(\zeta))d\zeta + \int_0^\tau y(s)ds \tag{11}$$

With the same technique as in [14], the existence of solution  $y \in L^1(I)$  of (9) can be proved. So, the existence of an absolutely continuous solution

$$x(\tau) = x_0 - \int_0^1 h(\zeta, x(\zeta), \mathfrak{J}^{1-\delta}y(\zeta))d\zeta + \int_0^\tau y(s)ds \in AC(I) \tag{12}$$

of problem (1) and (2) can be proved.

### 2.3. Integer-Order Problem

By letting  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \rightarrow 1$  in problem (1) and (2), we have the integer-order equation

$$\frac{dx}{d\tau}(\tau) = f_1\left(\tau, \frac{d}{d\tau}x(\tau) \times \int_0^\tau f_2(\zeta, \frac{d}{d\zeta}x(\zeta))d\zeta\right), \tau \in (0, 1] \tag{13}$$

with the nonlocal integro-differential condition

$$x(0) + \int_0^1 h(\zeta, x(\zeta), \frac{d}{d\zeta}x(\zeta))d\zeta = x_0. \tag{14}$$

In the same way as in Lemma 1, we can prove the equivalence between (13) and (14), and the system

$$y(\tau) = f_1\left(\tau, y(\tau) \times \int_0^\tau f_2(\zeta, y(\zeta))d\zeta\right), \tau \in (0, 1] \tag{15}$$

and

$$x(\tau) = x_0 - \int_0^1 h(\zeta, x(\zeta), y(\zeta))d\zeta + \int_0^\tau y(s)ds \tag{16}$$

and as in [14], the existence of solution  $y \in L^1(I)$  of (15) can be proved. Consequently,  $x \in AC(I)$  of integer-order problem (13) and (14) can be proved.

## 3. Some Characteristics of the Solution

### 3.1. Maximal and Minimal Solutions

**Lemma 2.** Let us assume that the conditions of Theorem 1 hold. Let  $x, y \in C(I)$  satisfy

$$\begin{aligned} x(\tau) &\leq \int_0^\tau \frac{(\tau - \zeta)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1 - \alpha)} f_1\left(\zeta, x(\zeta) \times \int_0^\zeta \frac{(\zeta - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha - \gamma)} x(\sigma)d\sigma)d\theta\right) d\zeta, \\ y(\tau) &\geq \int_0^\tau \frac{(\tau - \zeta)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1 - \alpha)} f_1\left(\zeta, y(\zeta) \times \int_0^\zeta \frac{(\zeta - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha - \gamma)} y(\sigma)d\sigma)d\theta\right) d\zeta \end{aligned}$$

such that one of them is strict. Let us assume that  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  are monotonic non-decreasing in the second argument; thus,

$$x(\tau) < y(\tau), \tau > 0. \tag{17}$$

**Proof.** Let us assume that result (17) is not true; then,  $\exists t_1$  where  $x(t_1) = y(t_1), t_1 > 0, x(\tau) < y(\tau) \ 0 < \tau < t_1$ . From the monotonicity of  $f_1$  and  $f_2$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 x(\tau_1) &\leq \int_0^{\tau_1} \frac{(\tau_1 - \zeta)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1 - \alpha)} f_1 \left( \zeta, x(\zeta) \times \int_0^\zeta \frac{(\zeta - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha - \gamma)} x(\sigma) d\sigma) d\theta \right) d\zeta \\
 &< \int_0^{\tau_1} \frac{(\tau_1 - \zeta)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1 - \alpha)} f_1 \left( \zeta, y(\zeta) \times \int_0^\zeta \frac{(\zeta - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha - \gamma)} y(\sigma) d\sigma) d\theta \right) d\zeta \\
 &= y(\tau_1).
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $x(\tau_1) < y(\tau_1)$ , which contradicts that  $x(\tau_1) = y(\tau_1)$ ; then,  $x(\tau) < y(\tau)$ ,  $\tau \in I$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.** Let us assume that the conditions of Theorem 1 hold. For monotonic non-decreasing functions  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  in the second argument, problem (1) and (2) has maximal and minimal solutions.

**Proof.** To investigate the existence of the maximal solution of Equation (5), we take  $\epsilon > 0$  and consider the following integral equations:

$$y_\epsilon(\tau) = \mathfrak{J}^{1-\alpha} f_{1\epsilon} \left( \tau, y_\epsilon(\tau) \times \int_0^\tau \frac{(\tau - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} f_{2\epsilon}(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha - \gamma)} y_\epsilon(\sigma) d\sigma) d\theta \right), \tag{18}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_{1\epsilon}(\tau, y_\epsilon(\tau)) &= f_1(\tau, y_\epsilon(\tau)) + \epsilon \\
 f_{2\epsilon}(\tau, y_\epsilon(\tau)) &= f_2(\tau, y_\epsilon(\tau)) + \epsilon.
 \end{aligned}$$

Obviously,  $f_{1\epsilon}$  and  $f_{2\epsilon}$  satisfy the assumptions of Theorem 1; according to Theorem 1, Equation (18) has a continuous solution  $y_\epsilon$  and

$$\begin{aligned}
 y_\epsilon(\tau) &= \int_0^\tau \frac{(\tau - \zeta)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1 - \alpha)} \\
 &\times \left[ \epsilon + f_1 \left( \zeta, y_\epsilon(\zeta) \times \int_0^\zeta \frac{(\zeta - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} \left\{ \epsilon + f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha - \gamma)} y_\epsilon(\sigma) d\sigma) d\theta \right\} \right) d\zeta \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

Next, we take  $\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2 > 0$  such that  $0 < \epsilon_2 < \epsilon_1 < \epsilon$ ; then,

$$\begin{aligned}
 y_{\epsilon_1}(\tau) &= \int_0^\tau \frac{(\tau - \zeta)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1 - \alpha)} \left[ \epsilon_1 + f_1 \left( \zeta, y_{\epsilon_1}(\zeta) \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. \times \int_0^\zeta \frac{(\zeta - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} \left\{ \epsilon_1 + f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha - \gamma)} y_{\epsilon_1}(\sigma) d\sigma) d\theta \right\} \right) d\zeta \right] \\
 &> \int_0^\tau \frac{(\tau - \zeta)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1 - \alpha)} \left[ \epsilon_2 + f_1 \left( \zeta, y_{\epsilon_1}(\zeta) \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. \times \int_0^\zeta \frac{(\zeta - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} \left\{ \epsilon_2 + f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha - \gamma)} y_{\epsilon_1}(\sigma) d\sigma) d\theta \right\} \right) d\zeta \right] \tag{19}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$y_{\epsilon_2}(\tau) = \int_0^\tau \frac{(\tau - \zeta)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1 - \alpha)} \left[ \epsilon_2 + f_1 \left( \zeta, y_{\epsilon_2}(\zeta) \times \int_0^\zeta \frac{(\zeta - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} \left\{ \epsilon_2 + f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha - \gamma)} y_{\epsilon_2}(\sigma) d\sigma) d\theta \right\} \right) d\zeta \right] \tag{20}$$

By applying Lemma 2 on estimates (19) and (20), we obtain

$$y_{\epsilon_2}(\tau) < y_{\epsilon_1}(\tau), \tau \in I.$$



As proved in Theorem 1,  $\{y_\epsilon(\tau)\}$  is equicontinuous and uniformly bounded on  $I$ ; then,  $\{y_\epsilon\}$  is relatively compact, and there exists a decreasing sequence  $\epsilon_n$  such that  $\epsilon_n \rightarrow 0$ ,  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_{\epsilon_n}(\tau)$  exists uniformly on  $I$ . Let

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_{\epsilon_n}(\tau) = q(\tau).$$

Then,

$$\int_0^\tau \frac{(\tau - \zeta)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1 - \alpha)} f_1 \left( \zeta, y_{\epsilon_n}(\zeta) \times \int_0^\zeta \frac{(\zeta - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha - \gamma)} y_{\epsilon_n}(\sigma) d\sigma) d\theta \right) d\zeta \rightarrow$$

$$\int_0^\tau \frac{(\tau - \zeta)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1 - \alpha)} f_1 \left( \zeta, q(\zeta) \times \int_0^\zeta \frac{(\zeta - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha - \gamma)} q(\sigma) d\sigma) d\theta \right) d\zeta,$$

then,

$$q(\tau) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_{\epsilon_n}(\tau)$$

$$= \int_0^\tau \frac{(\tau - \zeta)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1 - \alpha)} f_1 \left( \zeta, q(\zeta) \times \int_0^\zeta \frac{(\zeta - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha - \gamma)} q(\sigma) d\sigma) d\theta \right) d\zeta$$

which yields that  $q(\tau)$  is a solution of (5).

Now, if each  $y(\tau)$  is a solution of (5), then

$$y_\epsilon(\tau) = \int_0^\tau \frac{(\tau - \zeta)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1 - \alpha)} \left[ \epsilon + f_1 \left( \zeta, y_\epsilon(\zeta) \right. \right.$$

$$\left. \left. \times \int_0^\zeta \frac{(\zeta - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} \left\{ \epsilon + f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha - \gamma)} y_\epsilon(\sigma) d\sigma) d\theta \right\} d\zeta \right] \right]$$

$$> \int_0^\tau \frac{(\tau - \zeta)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1 - \alpha)} f_1 \left( \zeta, y_\epsilon(\zeta) \times \int_0^\zeta \frac{(\zeta - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha - \gamma)} y_\epsilon(\sigma) d\sigma) d\theta \right) d\zeta \tag{21}$$

and

$$y(\tau) = \int_0^\tau \frac{(\tau - \zeta)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1 - \alpha)} f_1 \left( \zeta, y(\zeta) \times \int_0^\zeta \frac{(\zeta - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha - \gamma)} y(\sigma) d\sigma) d\theta \right) d\zeta \tag{22}$$

Using Lemma 2 on estimates (21) and (22), we obtain

$$y(\tau) < y_\epsilon(\tau), \tau \in I.$$

The uniqueness of the maximal solution yields that  $y_\epsilon(\tau) \rightarrow q(\tau)$  uniformly on  $I$  as  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ . Hence,  $q$  is the maximal solution of (5).

Similarly, we study the existence of the minimal solution of problem (1) and (2)  $\square$

### 3.2. Existence of Unique Solution

Let us assume the following conditions:

(i)\*  $f_1, f_2 : I \times R \rightarrow R$  are measurable in  $\tau \in I \forall x \in R$  and satisfy the Lipschitz condition,

$$|f_1(\tau, x) - f_1(\tau, y)| \leq L_1|x - y|, \tau \in I, x, y \in R. \tag{23}$$

$$|f_2(\tau, x) - f_2(\tau, y)| \leq L_2|x - y|, \tau \in I, x, y \in R. \tag{24}$$

Assumption (iv) implies that

$$|f_1(\tau, y)| \leq |f_1(\tau, 0)| + L_1|y|$$

and

$$|f_1(\tau, y)| \leq a_1 + L_1|y|, \quad \text{such that } a_1 = \sup_{\tau \in I} |f_1(\tau, 0)|.$$

Furthermore,

$$|f_2(\tau, y)| \leq |f_2(\tau, 0)| + L_2|y|$$

and

$$|f_2(\tau, y)| \leq a_2 + L_2|y|, \quad \text{where } a_2 = \sup_{\tau \in I} |f_2(\tau, 0)|.$$

(ii)\*  $h : I \times R \times R \rightarrow R$  is measurable in  $\tau \in I \forall x, y \in R$  and satisfies the Lipschitz condition,

$$|h(\tau, x_1, y_1) - h(\tau, x_2, y_2)| \leq L_3(|x_1 - x_2| + |y_1 - y_2|) \tag{25}$$

with Lipschitz condition  $L_3 > 0$ .

**Theorem 4.** Let us assume that (iii), (i\*) are verified. If

$$\frac{2b_1b_2r_1}{\Gamma(2 - \alpha)\Gamma(\alpha + \beta - \gamma + 1)} + \frac{b_1a_2^*}{\Gamma(2 - \alpha)} < 1. \tag{26}$$

then the solution of (5) is unique.

**Proof.** Let us consider that assumptions (iii), (i\*) are satisfied; then, Theorem 1 is verified, and the solution of Equation (5) exists. Let  $y_1, y_2$  be two solutions of (5), where

$$\begin{aligned} |y_2(\tau) - y_1(\tau)| &= \left| \int_0^\tau \frac{(\tau - \zeta)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1 - \alpha)} f\left(\zeta, y_2(\zeta) \times \int_0^\zeta \frac{(\zeta - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha - \gamma)} y_2(\sigma) d\sigma) d\theta\right) d\zeta \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \int_0^\tau \frac{(\tau - \zeta)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1 - \alpha)} f\left(\zeta, y_1(\zeta) \times \int_0^\zeta \frac{(\zeta - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha - \gamma)} y_1(\sigma) d\sigma) d\theta\right) d\zeta \right| \\ &\leq b_1 \int_0^\tau \frac{(\tau - \zeta)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1 - \alpha)} \left( |y_2(\zeta)| \times \int_0^\zeta \frac{(\zeta - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha - \gamma)} |y_2(\sigma)| d\sigma) d\theta \right. \\ &\quad \left. - |y_1(\zeta)| \times \int_0^\zeta \frac{(\zeta - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha - \gamma)} |y_1(\sigma)| d\sigma) d\theta \right) d\zeta \\ &\leq b_1 \int_0^\tau \frac{(\tau - \zeta)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1 - \alpha)} \left( |y_2(\zeta)| \times \int_0^\zeta \frac{(\zeta - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha - \gamma)} |y_2(\sigma)| d\sigma) d\theta \right. \\ &\quad \left. - |y_2(\zeta)| \times \int_0^\zeta \frac{(\zeta - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha - \gamma)} |y_1(\sigma)| d\sigma) d\theta \right. \\ &\quad \left. + |y_2(\zeta)| \times \int_0^\zeta \frac{(\zeta - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha - \gamma)} |y_1(\sigma)| d\sigma) d\theta \right. \\ &\quad \left. - |y_1(\zeta)| \times \int_0^\zeta \frac{(\zeta - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} f_2(\theta, \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{(\alpha-\gamma)-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha - \gamma)} |y_1(\sigma)| d\sigma) d\theta \right) d\zeta \\ &\leq b_1 \int_0^\tau \frac{(\tau - \zeta)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(1 - \alpha)} \left( \|y_2\| \times b_2 \int_0^\zeta \frac{(\zeta - \theta)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)} \int_0^\theta \frac{(\theta - \sigma)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} |y_2(\sigma) - y_1(\sigma)| d\sigma d\theta \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \|y_2 - y_1\| \times \left( a_2^* + \frac{b_2r_1}{\Gamma(\beta + \alpha - \gamma + 1)} \right) \right) d\zeta \\ &\leq \frac{b_1}{\Gamma(2 - \alpha)} \left( \|y_2 - y_1\| \frac{b_2r_1}{\Gamma(\beta + \alpha - \gamma + 1)} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \|y_2 - y_1\| \left( a_2^* + \frac{b_2r_1}{\Gamma(\beta + \alpha - \gamma + 1)} \right) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\|y_2 - y_1\| \left( 1 - \left( \frac{2b_1b_2r_1}{\Gamma(2-\alpha)\Gamma(\beta+\alpha-\gamma+1)} + \frac{b_1a_2^*}{\Gamma(2-\alpha)} \right) \right) \leq 0.$$

which implies the uniqueness of the solution of (5).  $\square$

**Corollary 1.** *Let us suppose that Theorem (4) is verified. If  $L_3 < 1$ , then for every solution  $y \in C(I)$  of Equation (5), there exists a unique solution  $x$  of (4).*

**Proof.** Let  $y \in C(I)$  satisfy Equation (5) and  $x_1, x_2$  satisfy Equation (4); then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |x_2(\tau) - x_1(\tau)| &= \left| x_0 - \int_0^1 h(\zeta, x_2(\zeta), \mathfrak{I}^{\alpha-\delta}y(\zeta))d\zeta + \mathfrak{I}^\alpha y(\tau) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - x_0 + \int_0^1 h(\zeta, x_1(\zeta), \mathfrak{I}^{\alpha-\delta}y(\zeta))d\zeta - \mathfrak{I}^\alpha y(\tau) \right| \\ &\leq \int_0^1 \left( |h(\zeta, x_2(\zeta), \mathfrak{I}^{\alpha-\delta}y(\zeta))| - |h(\zeta, x_1(\zeta), \mathfrak{I}^{\alpha-\delta}y(\zeta))| \right) d\zeta \\ &\leq L_3|x_2(\tau) - x_1(\tau)|, \end{aligned}$$

then,

$$\|x_2 - x_1\|(1 - L_3) \leq 0 \rightarrow x_2 = x_1.$$

$\square$

### 3.3. Continuous Dependency Results

**Definition 3.** *The unique solution  $x \in C(I)$  of (4) depends continuously on  $x_0$ , if  $\forall \epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists \delta > 0$ , where*

$$|x_0 - x_0^*| \leq \delta \Rightarrow \|x - x^*\| \leq \epsilon$$

where  $x^*$  satisfies

$$x^*(\tau) = x_0^* - \int_0^1 h(\zeta, x^*(\zeta), \mathfrak{I}^{\alpha-\delta}y(\zeta))d\zeta + \mathfrak{I}^\alpha y(\tau).$$

**Theorem 5.** *Let assumption (iv) hold; then, the unique solution of (4) depends continuously on  $x_0$ .*

**Proof.** Let us assume that the two functions  $x(\tau)$  and  $x^*(\tau)$  satisfy (4); then,

$$\begin{aligned} |x(\tau) - x^*(\tau)| &= \left| x_0 - \int_0^1 h(\zeta, x(\zeta), \mathfrak{I}^{\alpha-\delta}y(\zeta))ds + \mathfrak{I}^\alpha y(\tau) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - x_0^* + \int_0^1 h(\zeta, x^*(\zeta), \mathfrak{I}^{\alpha-\delta}y(\zeta))d\zeta - \mathfrak{I}^\alpha y(\tau) \right| \\ &\leq |x_0 - x_0^*| + \int_0^1 \left| h(\zeta, x(\zeta), \mathfrak{I}^{\alpha-\delta}y(\zeta)) - h(\zeta, x^*(\zeta), \mathfrak{I}^{\alpha-\delta}y(\zeta)) \right| d\zeta \\ &\leq |x_0 - x_0^*| + L_3|x(\zeta) - x^*(\zeta)| \\ &\leq \delta + L_3\|x - x^*\|. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\|x - x^*\|(1 - L_3) \leq \delta$$

and

$$\|x - x^*\| \leq \frac{\delta}{1 - L_3} = \epsilon.$$

□

**Definition 4.** The unique solution  $x \in C(I)$  of Equation (4) depends continuously on  $y$ ; if  $\forall \epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists \delta > 0$ , where

$$|y - y^*| \leq \delta \Rightarrow \|x - x^*\| \leq \epsilon$$

where  $x^*$  satisfies the integral equation

$$x^*(\tau) = x_0^* - \int_0^1 h(\zeta, x^*(\zeta), \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\delta}y(\zeta))d\zeta + \mathfrak{J}^\alpha y(\tau).$$

**Theorem 6.** Let assumption (iv) hold; then, the unique solution of the integral Equation (4) depends continuously on  $y$ .

**Proof.** Let us assume that the two functions  $x(\tau)$  and  $x^*(\tau)$  satisfy Equation (4); then,

$$\begin{aligned} |x(\tau) - x^*(\tau)| &= \left| x_0 - \int_0^1 h(\zeta, x(\zeta), \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\delta}y(\zeta))d\zeta + \mathfrak{J}^\alpha y(\tau) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - x_0^* + \int_0^1 h(\zeta, x^*(\zeta), \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\delta}y(\zeta))d\zeta - \mathfrak{J}^\alpha y(\tau) \right| \\ &= \left| \int_0^1 (h(\zeta, x(\zeta), \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\delta}y(\zeta)) - h(\zeta, x^*(\zeta), \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\delta}y(\zeta)))d\zeta \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \mathfrak{J}^\alpha (y(\tau) - y^*(\tau)) \right| \\ &\leq L_3|x(\zeta) - x^*(\zeta)| + L_3\mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\delta}|y(\zeta) - y^*(\zeta)| + \mathfrak{J}^\alpha|y(\tau) - y^*(\tau)| \\ &\leq L_3\|x - x^*\| + \frac{L_3\delta}{\Gamma(\alpha - \delta + 1)} + \frac{\delta}{\Gamma(\alpha + 1)}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\|x - x^*\|(1 - L_3) \leq \frac{L_3\delta}{\Gamma(\alpha - \delta + 1)} + \frac{\delta}{\Gamma(\alpha + 1)}$$

$$\|x - x^*\| \leq \frac{\frac{L_3\delta}{\Gamma(\alpha - \delta + 1)} + \frac{\delta}{\Gamma(\alpha + 1)}}{(1 - L_3)} = \epsilon.$$

□

**Definition 5.** The unique solution  $x \in C(I)$  of Equation (4) depends continuously on  $h$ ; if  $\forall \epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists \delta > 0$ , where

$$|h(\zeta, x(\zeta), \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\delta}y(\zeta)) - h^*(\zeta, x(\zeta), \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\delta}y(\zeta))| \leq \delta \Rightarrow \|x - x^*\| \leq \epsilon$$

where  $x^*$  satisfies the integral equation

$$x^*(\tau) = x_0 - \int_0^1 h^*(\zeta, x^*(\zeta), \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\delta}y(\zeta))d\zeta + \mathfrak{J}^\alpha y(\tau).$$

**Theorem 7.** Let assumption (iv) hold; then, the unique solution of (4) depends continuously on  $h$ .

**Proof.** Let us assume that the two functions  $x(\tau)$  and  $x^*(\tau)$  satisfy Equation (4); then,

$$\begin{aligned}
 |x(\tau) - x^*(\tau)| &= \left| x_0 - \int_0^1 h(\zeta, x(\zeta), \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\delta}y(\zeta))d\zeta + \mathfrak{J}^\alpha y(\tau) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - x_0 + \int_0^1 h^*(\zeta, x^*(\zeta), \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\delta}y(\zeta))d\zeta - \mathfrak{J}^\alpha y(\tau) \right| \\
 &= \left| \int_0^1 h(\zeta, x(\zeta), \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\delta}y(\zeta))d\zeta - \int_0^1 h^*(\zeta, x(\zeta), \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\delta}y(\zeta))d\zeta \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \int_0^1 h^*(\zeta, x(\zeta), \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\delta}y(\zeta))d\zeta - \int_0^1 h^*(\zeta, x^*(\zeta), \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\delta}y(\zeta))d\zeta \right| \\
 &= \int_0^1 \left| h(\zeta, x(\zeta), \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\delta}y(\zeta)) - \int_0^1 h^*(\zeta, x(\zeta), \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\delta}y(\zeta)) \right| d\zeta \\
 &\quad + \int_0^1 \left| h^*(\zeta, x(\zeta), \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\delta}y(\zeta)) - \int_0^1 h^*(\zeta, x^*(\zeta), \mathfrak{J}^{\alpha-\delta}y(\zeta)) \right| d\zeta \\
 &\leq \delta + L_3|x(\zeta) - x^*(\zeta)| \\
 &\leq \delta + L_3\|x - x^*\|.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\|x - x^*\|(1 - L_3) \leq \delta$$

so,

$$\|x - x^*\| \leq \frac{\delta}{1 - L_3} = \epsilon.$$

□

**Example 1.** We give the quadratic functional integro-differential equation

$$\frac{dx}{d\tau}(\tau) = \left(\frac{\tau}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{2}(D^{\frac{3}{4}}x(\tau) \times \mathfrak{J}^{\frac{1}{2}}\left(\frac{\sqrt{\tau}}{3} + \frac{1}{2}D^{\frac{1}{5}}x(\zeta)\right)). \quad \tau \in (0, 1] \tag{27}$$

with the nonlocal integro-differential condition

$$x(0) - 1 = \int_0^1 \left(\frac{\tau}{2}\right)^3 + \frac{1}{2}(x(\tau) + D^{\frac{1}{2}}x(\zeta))d\zeta. \tag{28}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_1(\tau, D^\alpha x(\tau) \times \mathfrak{J}^\beta f_2(\tau, D^\gamma x(\tau))) &= \left(\frac{\tau}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{2}(D^{\frac{1}{2}}x(\tau) \times \mathfrak{J}^{\frac{1}{2}}\left(\frac{\sqrt{\tau}}{3} + \frac{1}{2}D^{\frac{1}{5}}x(\zeta)\right)) \quad \tau \in I, \\
 f_2(\tau, D^\gamma x(\tau)) &= \frac{\sqrt{\tau}}{3} + \frac{1}{2}D^{\frac{1}{5}}x(\zeta) \quad \tau \in I.
 \end{aligned}$$

Obviously, Theorem 1 holds, when  $\tau = 1$ ,

$$a_1^* = 0.196136, \quad a_2^* = \frac{1}{3}, \quad a_3^* = \frac{1}{8}, \quad b_1 = b_2 = b_3 = \frac{1}{2}, \quad \delta = \frac{1}{2}, \quad \alpha = \frac{3}{4}, \quad \beta = \frac{1}{2}, \quad \gamma = \frac{1}{5} \quad \text{and} \quad x_0 = 1.$$

From (3), we have

$$\frac{41}{64}r_1^2 - \frac{19}{24}r_1 + 0.19613558245703772 = 0,$$

then,  $r_1 = 0.342894$  or  $r_1 = 0.892878$  is a positive number. Then, problem (27) and (28) has at least one solution.

**Example 2.** Given the problem of conjugate order

$$\frac{dx}{d\tau}(\tau) = \left(\frac{\tau}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{2}(D^{\frac{1}{2}}x(\tau) \times \mathcal{I}^{\frac{1}{2}}\left(\frac{\sqrt{\tau}}{3} + \frac{1}{2}D^{\frac{1}{2}}x(\zeta)\right)). \quad \tau \in (0, 1] \quad (29)$$

with the nonlocal integro-differential condition

$$x(0) - 1 = \int_0^1 \left(\frac{\tau}{2}\right)^3 + \frac{1}{2}(x(\tau) + D^{\frac{1}{2}}x(\zeta))d\zeta. \quad (30)$$

we have

$$\frac{9}{16}r_1^2 - \frac{3}{4}r_1 + 0.19613558245703772 = 0,$$

then,  $r_1 = 0.4211280954182888$  or  $r_1 = 0.6899830156928223$ .

#### 4. Conclusions

Integral and differential equations contribute significantly to mathematical analysis and have numerous applications to issues in the real world. It has a wide range of uses in mechanics, population dynamics, mathematical biology, engineering, mathematical physics and other fields [1–3,8,15–18].

In this study, we establish the solvability of nonlocal problem (1) and (2). The existence of solution  $x \in C(I)$  of problem (1) and (2) is investigated, and the existence of the maximal and minimal solutions of problem (1) and (2) is proved. Furthermore, some continuous dependency results of solution  $x$  on fractional-order derivative  $y(t)$ , on parameter  $x_0$  and on function  $h$  are also proved.

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