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# Study of implicit delay fractional differential equations under anti-periodic boundary conditions

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## Abstract

This research work is related to studying a class of special type delay implicit fractional order differential equations under anti-periodic boundary conditions. With the help of classical fixed point theory due to Schauder and Banach, we derive some results about the existence of at least one solution. Further, we also study some results including Hyers–Ulam, generalized Hyers–Ulam, Hyers–Ulam Rassias, and generalized Hyers–Ulam–Rassias stability. We provide some test problems for illustrating our analysis.

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## 1 Introduction

Differential equations have numerous of applications in many applied fields of sciences. Due to these applications, the class of differential equations has remained an interesting area of research. The fractional order derivative is a generalization of the classical derivative, which has been proved to be a strong tool for modeling of many physical, biological, and evolutionary problems. In the recent times this has been the hottest and most interesting area of research in mathematics as well as in other scientific and engineering courses. For some historical and recent work, we refer the readers to [1–9]. A comprehensive study in the form of a book has been given by Podlubny [10].

In previous years, the study of nonlinear differential and integral equations has received much attention from mathematicians due to a wide range of their applications. Since using integer order differential operators for modeling various dynamical systems, the hereditary process and memory description cannot be well explained in many situations. Therefore, researchers are applying the fractional differential operators to describe memory and hereditary processes in a more accurate way. This fact motivated researchers to take interest in fractional order differential equations. Various aspects of fractional calculus, such as qualitative theory, stability analysis, optimization, and numerical analysis, have been investigated. In this regard a lot of research work can be found in the literature about existence theory. We refer the readers to [11–14]. On the other hand, the area devoted

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to establishing a procedure for numerical solutions has been investigated very well. See [15–18] and the references therein.

It is necessary for numerical procedure to be stable to produce good results, which is highly acceptable in applications. For this purpose stability analysis is used. This is an important aspect of qualitative analysis. Various kinds of stability, including exponential, Mittag-Leffler, and Lyapunov stability, have been evaluated for a number of problems. In the last few years the mentioned stabilities have been upgraded for linear and non-linear fractional order differential equations and their systems (for details, see [19–21]). Establishing these stabilities for nonlinear systems has merits and de-merits in constructions. Some of them need a pre-defined Lyapunov function, which often is very difficult and time consuming to construct on trail basis. On the other hand, the exponential and Mittag-Leffler stability involving exponential functions often create difficulties in treating during numerical analysis of problems. In 1940–41, Ulam and Hyers introduced the concept of Hyers–Ulam stability. This concept of stability was initially used for functional equations; for details, we refer to [22, 23]. Onward the said stability was further modified to a more general form by other researchers for functional equations, ordinary differential equations. Some very fruitful results have been formed in this regard, which can be traced in [24–26] and the references therein. In the last two decades the said stability theory has been considered very well for fractional order differential equations and their systems, see [27, 28].

The delay differential equations constitute an important class of differential equations. Such equations emphasize the waste analysis of full nonlinear equations or systems in biology and physics, as well as in other applied fields. Among delay differential equations, the pantograph type delay differential equation is a prominent type. Such type of delay differential equations has proportional delay terms. Such type of delay differential equations has applications in electro-dynamic, quantum mechanics, etc. [29]. Therefore, keeping in mind the applications, researchers are devoted to studying different aspects like existence theory and numerical analysis of the mentioned class of differential equations. See for detail [30]. The authors [31] in 2013 studied the following pantograph fractional order differential equation with  $t \in [0, T]$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 {}^C_0D_t^\alpha z(t) &= f(t, z(t), z(\lambda t)), \\
 z(0) &= z_0, \quad z_0 \in R,
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ ,  $0 < \lambda < 1$ , and  $f : [0, T] \times R^2 \rightarrow R$ . They developed the existence theory for the aforesaid equation by using fixed point theory. Very recently the authors in [32] established qualitative theory for a coupled system of delay fractional order differential equations by using hybrid fixed point theory.

Motivated by the above-mentioned work, in this research article we consider the following class of pantograph implicit fractional order differential equations under anti-periodic boundary conditions:

$$\begin{cases}
 {}^C_0D_t^\alpha z(t) = f(t, z(t), z(\lambda t), {}^C_0D_t^\alpha z(t)), & t \in [0, T], 2 < \alpha \leq 3, \\
 z(0) = -z(T), \quad {}^C_0D_t^p z(0) = -{}^C_0D_t^p z(T), \quad {}^C_0D_t^q z(0) = -{}^C_0D_t^q z(T),
 \end{cases} \tag{1}$$

where  $0 < \lambda < 1$ ,  $0 < p < 1$ ,  $1 < q < 2$ , and  $f : [0, T] \times R^3 \rightarrow R$  is a continuous function,  ${}^C_0D_t^\alpha$  stands for a Caputo derivative of order  $2 < \alpha \leq 3$ . We investigate qualitative theory as well as different kinds of stability including Hyers–Ulam stability, generalized Hyers–Ulam stability, Hyers–Ulam–Rassias stability, and generalized Hyers–Ulam–Rassias stability for the considered problem. For qualitative theory we utilize the usual fixed point theorem due to Schauder and Banach, while for stability theory nonlinear functional analysis is used. Finally, this work is strengthened by providing examples and short conclusion.

## 2 Preliminaries

The space  $\mathcal{M} = C([0, T])$  is a Banach space with respect to the norm defined by

$$\|z\|_{\mathcal{M}} = \max_{t \in [0, T]} \{|z(t)| : t \in [0, T]\}.$$

**Definition 1** ([33]) Integral of fractional order for the function  $z \in L^1([0, T], R^+)$  of order  $\alpha \in R^+$  is recalled as

$${}_0I_t^\alpha z(t) = \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} z(s) ds, \tag{2}$$

such that the integral on right-hand sides is convergent.

**Definition 2** ([33]) Caputo fractional order derivative of a function  $z$  on interval  $[0, T]$ , can be defined as

$${}^C_0D_t^\alpha z(t) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(n-\alpha)} \int_0^t (t-s)^{n-\alpha-1} z^{(n)}(s) ds, \tag{3}$$

where  $n = [\alpha] + 1$ .

**Lemma 1** ([34]) *If  $\alpha > 0$ , the given result holds*

$${}_0I_t^\alpha ({}^C_0D_t^\alpha z(t)) = z(t) - \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} c_i t^i, \quad \text{where } n = [\alpha] + 1, c_i \in R. \tag{4}$$

**Definition 3** ([35]) Problem (1) is Hyers–Ulam stable if there exists a real number  $C_f > 0$  such that, for  $\epsilon > 0$  and for any solution  $\bar{z} \in \mathcal{M}$  of the inequality

$$|{}^C_0D_t^\alpha \bar{z}(t) - f(t, \bar{z}(t), \bar{z}(\lambda t), {}^C_0D_t^\alpha \bar{z}(t))| \leq \epsilon, \quad \forall t \in [0, T], \tag{5}$$

there is the unique solution  $z \in \mathcal{M}$  of problem (1) such that

$$|\bar{z}(t) - z(t)| \leq C_f \epsilon, \quad \forall t \in [0, T].$$

**Definition 4** ([35]) Problem (1) is generalized Hyers–Ulam stable if there exists  $\zeta \in C(R^+, R^+)$ ,  $\zeta(0) = 0$  such that, for any solution  $\bar{z} \in \mathcal{M}$  of the inequality (5), there is the unique solution  $z \in \mathcal{M}$  of problem (1) such that

$$|\bar{z}(t) - z(t)| \leq \zeta(\epsilon), \quad \forall t \in [0, T].$$

**Definition 5** ([35]) Problem (1) is Hyers–Ulam–Rassias stable with respect to  $\xi \in C([0, T], R^+)$  if there exists a real number  $C_f > 0$  such that, for  $\epsilon > 0$  and for any solution  $z \in \mathcal{M}$  of the inequality

$$| {}^C_0D_t^\alpha \bar{z}(t) - f(t, \bar{z}(t), \bar{z}(\lambda t), {}^C_0D_t^\alpha \bar{z}(t)) | \leq \xi(t)\epsilon, \quad \forall t \in [0, T], \tag{6}$$

there exists the unique solution  $z \in \mathcal{M}$  of problem (1) such that

$$|\bar{z}(t) - z(t)| \leq C_f \epsilon \xi(t), \quad \forall t \in [0, T]. \tag{7}$$

**Definition 6** ([35]) Problem (1) will be generalized Hyers–Ulam–Rassias stable with respect to  $\xi \in \mathcal{M}$  if there is  $C_f > 0$  such that, for any solution  $\bar{z} \in \mathcal{M}$  of the inequality (6), there exists the unique solution  $z \in \mathcal{M}$  of problem (1) such that

$$|\bar{z}(t) - z(t)| \leq C_f \xi(t), \quad \forall t \in [0, T]. \tag{8}$$

*Remark 1* A function  $\bar{z} \in \mathcal{M}$  is a solution of (5) if there is a function  $\vartheta(t) \in \mathcal{M}$  (dependent on  $\bar{z}$ ) such that

- (i)  $|\vartheta(t)| \leq \epsilon \forall t \in [0, T]$ ;
- (ii)  ${}^C_0D_t^\alpha \bar{z}(t) = f(t, \bar{z}(t), \bar{z}(\lambda t), {}^C_0D_t^\alpha \bar{z}(t)) + \vartheta(t), \forall t \in [0, T]$ .

*Remark 2* A function  $\bar{z} \in \mathcal{M}$  is a solution of (6) if there is a function  $\vartheta(t) \in C([0, T], R)$  (dependent on  $\bar{z}$ ) such that

- (i)  $|\vartheta(t)| \leq \epsilon \xi(t) \forall t \in [0, T]$ ;
- (ii)  ${}^C_0D_t^\alpha \bar{z}(t) = f(t, \bar{z}(t), \bar{z}(\lambda t), {}^C_0D_t^\alpha \bar{z}(t)) + \vartheta(t), \forall t \in [0, T]$ .

**3 Existence results**

**Theorem 1** Let  $y \in C([0, T], R)$ , then the equivalent integral equation of the following problem

$$\begin{cases} {}^C_0D_t^\alpha z(t) = y(t), & \text{for } t \in [0, T], 2 < \alpha \leq 3, \\ z(0) = -z(T), \quad {}^C_0D_t^p z(0) = -{}^C_0D_t^p z(T), \quad {}^C_0D_t^q z(0) = -{}^C_0D_t^q z(T) \end{cases} \tag{9}$$

is given by

$$z(t) = \int_0^T \mathcal{W}(t, s)y(s) ds, \tag{10}$$

while the Green's function  $\mathcal{W}(t, s)$  is expressed as

$$\mathcal{W}(t, s) = \begin{cases} \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1} - \frac{1}{2}(T-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} + \frac{\Gamma(2-p)(T-2t)(T-s)^{\alpha-p-1}}{2\Gamma(\alpha-p)T^{1-p}} \\ - \frac{[pT^2 - 4Tt + 2(2-p)t^2\Gamma(3-q)(T-s)^{\alpha-q-1}]}{4(2-p)\Gamma(\alpha-p)T^{2-q}}, & 0 \leq s \leq t \leq T, \\ \frac{(T-s)^{\alpha-1}}{2\Gamma(\alpha)} + \frac{\Gamma(2-p)(T-2t)(T-s)^{\alpha-p-1}}{2\Gamma(\alpha-p)T^{1-p}} \\ - \frac{[pT^2 - 4Tt + 2(2-p)t^2\Gamma(3-q)(T-s)^{\alpha-q-1}]}{4(2-p)\Gamma(\alpha-p)T^{2-q}}, & 0 \leq t \leq s \leq T. \end{cases} \tag{11}$$

*Proof* Let  $z$  be a solution of (9), then by Lemma 1 there exist some real constants  $c_0, c_1, c_2$  such that

$$z(t) = {}_0I_t^\alpha y(t) - c_0 - c_1 t - c_2 t^2 = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^t (t-s)^{\alpha-1} y(s) ds - c_0 - c_1 t - c_2 t^2. \tag{12}$$

Using the results  ${}_0^C D_t^p b = 0$  ( $b$  is constant),  ${}_0^C D_t^p t = \frac{t^{1-p}}{\Gamma(2-p)}$ ,  ${}_0^C D_t^p t^2 = \frac{2t^{2-p}}{\Gamma(3-p)}$ , and  ${}_0^C D_t^p {}_0I_t^\alpha y(t) = {}_0I_t^{\alpha-p} y(t)$ , we get

$${}_0^C D_t^p z(t) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} \int_0^t (t-s)^{\alpha-p-1} y(s) ds - c_1 \frac{t^{1-p}}{\Gamma(2-p)} - c_2 \frac{2t^{2-p}}{\Gamma(3-p)}.$$

In view of  ${}_0^C D_t^q t = 0$  ( $1 < q < 2$ ) and  ${}_0^C D_t^q t^2 = \frac{2t^{2-q}}{\Gamma(3-q)}$ , we get

$${}_0^C D_t^q z(t) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha-q)} \int_0^t (t-s)^{\alpha-q-1} y(s) ds - c_2 \frac{2t^{2-q}}{\Gamma(3-q)}.$$

Applying the boundary conditions  $z(0) = -z(T)$ ,  ${}_0^C D_t^p z(0) = -{}_0^C D_t^p z(T)$ ,  ${}_0^C D_t^q z(0) = -{}_0^C D_t^q z(T)$ , we find that

$$\begin{aligned} c_0 &= \frac{1}{2\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^T (T-s)^{\alpha-1} y(s) ds - \frac{\Gamma(2-p)T^p}{2\Gamma(\alpha-p)} \int_0^T (T-s)^{\alpha-p-1} y(s) ds \\ &\quad + \frac{p\Gamma(3-q)T^q}{4(2-p)\Gamma(\alpha-q)} \int_0^T (T-s)^{\alpha-q-1} y(s) ds, \\ c_1 &= \frac{\Gamma(2-p)}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)T^{1-p}} \int_0^T (T-s)^{\alpha-p-1} y(s) ds \\ &\quad - \frac{\Gamma(3-q)}{(2-p)\Gamma(\alpha-q)T^{1-q}} \int_0^T (T-s)^{\alpha-q-1} y(s) ds, \\ c_2 &= \frac{\Gamma(3-q)}{2\Gamma(\alpha-q)T^{2-q}} \int_0^T (T-s)^{\alpha-q-1} y(s) ds. \end{aligned}$$

Substituting the values of  $c_0, c_1,$  and  $c_2$  in (12), one gets the following result:

$$\begin{aligned} z(t) &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^t (t-s)^{\alpha-1} y(s) ds - \frac{1}{2\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^T (T-s)^{\alpha-1} y(s) ds \\ &\quad + \frac{\Gamma(2-p)(T-2t)}{2\Gamma(\alpha-p)T^{1-p}} \int_0^T (T-s)^{\alpha-p-1} y(s) ds \\ &\quad - \frac{(pT^2 - 4Tt + 2(2-p)t^2)\Gamma(3-q)}{4(2-p)\Gamma(\alpha-q)T^{2-q}} \int_0^T (T-s)^{\alpha-q-1} y(s) ds \\ &= \int_0^T \mathcal{W}(t,s)y(s) ds. \end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

**Corollary 1** *Problem (1) has the following solution:*

$$z(t) = \int_0^T \mathcal{W}(t,s)f(s, z(s), z(\lambda s), {}_0^C D_t^\alpha z(s)) ds.$$

**Lemma 2** *The function  $\mathcal{W}(t,s)$  in (11) obeys the given relations:*

( $\mathcal{P}_1$ )  $\mathcal{W}(t, s)$  is continuous over  $[0, T]$ ;

( $\mathcal{P}_2$ )  $\max_{t \in [0, T]} \int_0^T \mathcal{W}(t, s) ds \leq \frac{T^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} + \frac{\Gamma(2-p)T^\alpha}{2\Gamma(\alpha-p+1)} + \frac{(p+2)\Gamma(3-q)T^\alpha}{2(2-p)\Gamma(\alpha-q+1)}$ .

For convenience, we use the notion

$$\varpi = \frac{T^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} + \frac{\Gamma(2-p)T^\alpha}{2\Gamma(\alpha-p+1)} + \frac{(p+2)\Gamma(3-q)T^\alpha}{2(2-p)\Gamma(\alpha-q+1)}. \tag{13}$$

*Proof* Proof of ( $\mathcal{P}_1$ ) is obvious. To derive ( $\mathcal{P}_2$ ), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{t \in [0, T]} \int_0^T \mathcal{W}(t, s) ds &= \max_{t \in [0, T]} \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^t (t-s)^{\alpha-1} ds - \frac{1}{2\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^T (T-s)^{\alpha-1} ds \right. \\ &\quad + \frac{\Gamma(2-p)(T-2t)}{2\Gamma(\alpha-p)T^{1-p}} \int_0^T (T-s)^{\alpha-p-1} ds \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{[pT^2 - 4Tt + 2(2-p)t^2]\Gamma(3-q)}{4(2-p)\Gamma(\alpha-q)T^{2-q}} \int_0^T (T-s)^{\alpha-q-1} ds \right) \\ &\leq \max_{t \in [0, T]} \left( \frac{T^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} + \frac{\Gamma(2-p)T^{\alpha-p+1}}{2\Gamma(\alpha-p+1)T^{1-p}} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{[pT^2 - 4Tt + 2(2-p)t^2]\Gamma(3-q)T^{\alpha-q}}{4(2-p)\Gamma(\alpha-q+1)T^{2-q}} \right) \\ &\leq \frac{T^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} + \frac{\Gamma(2-p)T^\alpha}{2\Gamma(\alpha-p+1)} + \frac{(p+2)\Gamma(3-q)T^\alpha}{2(2-p)\Gamma(\alpha-q+1)}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have

$$\max_{t \in [0, T]} \int_0^T \mathcal{W}(t, s) ds \leq \frac{T^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} + \frac{\Gamma(2-p)T^\alpha}{2\Gamma(\alpha-p+1)} + \frac{(p+2)\Gamma(3-q)T^\alpha}{2(2-p)\Gamma(\alpha-q+1)}. \quad \square$$

To go ahead, we need the following conditions to hold:

( $F_1$ ) For  $t \in [0, T]$ , we have three constants  $0 < K_f < 1$  and  $L_f > 0$ , with

$$|f(t, u, v, w) - f(t, \bar{u}, \bar{v}, \bar{w})| \leq L_f(|u - \bar{u}| + |v - \bar{v}|) + K_f|w - \bar{w}|$$

for  $u, v, w \in \mathcal{M}$ .

( $F_2$ ) For  $t \in [0, T]$ , there exist  $\theta_0, \theta_1, \theta_2 \in \mathcal{M}$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} |f(t, u(t), v(t), w(t))| &\leq \theta_0(t) + \theta_1(t)[|u(t)| + |v(t)|] \\ &\quad + \theta_2(t)|w(t)| \quad \text{for } u, v, w \in \mathcal{M}, \end{aligned}$$

with  $\theta_0^* = \sup_{t \in [0, T]} \theta_0(t)$ ,  $\theta_1^* = \sup_{t \in [0, T]} \theta_1(t)$ ,  $\theta_2^* = \sup_{t \in [0, T]} \theta_2(t) < 1$ .

We define an operator  $\mathcal{N} : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$  as

$$\mathcal{N}(z)(t) = \int_0^T \mathcal{W}(t, s)\beta_z(s) ds, \tag{14}$$

where  $\beta_z(t) \in C([0, T], R)$  such that  $\beta_z(t) = f(t, z(t), z(\lambda t), {}^C D_t^\alpha z(t))$ .

**Theorem 2** *The operator  $\mathcal{N} : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$  defined in (14) is completely continuous.*

*Proof* The continuity of  $f, \mathcal{W}(t, s)$  implies the continuity of operator  $\mathcal{N}$ . Let  $\mathbb{B} \subset \mathcal{M}$  be a bounded set such that  $\mathbb{B} = \{z \in \mathcal{M} : \|z\|_{\mathcal{M}} \leq r\}$ . Let  $z \in \mathbb{B}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\mathcal{N}z(t)| &= \left| \int_0^T \mathcal{W}(t, s)\beta_z(s) ds \right| \\
 &\leq \int_0^T |\mathcal{W}(t, s)| |\beta_z(s)| ds.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{15}$$

By assumption  $(F_2)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\beta_z(t)| &= |f(t, z(t), z(\lambda t), \beta_z(t))| \\
 &\leq \theta_0(t) + \theta_1(t)(|z(t)| + |z(\lambda t)|) + \theta_2|\beta_z(t)|.
 \end{aligned}$$

Taking maximum of both sides and simplifying, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|\beta_z\|_{\mathcal{M}} &\leq \frac{\theta_0^* + 2\theta_1^*\|z\|_{\mathcal{M}}}{1 - \theta_2^*} \\
 &\leq \frac{\theta_0^* + 2\theta_1^*r}{1 - \theta_2^*} = \mu.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{16}$$

Using property  $(\mathcal{P}_2)$  of the Green’s function  $\mathcal{W}(t, s)$  given in Lemma 2 and inequality (16) in inequality (15), we obtain

$$\|\mathcal{N}z\|_{\mathcal{M}} \leq \mu\varpi,$$

which shows that  $\mathcal{N}$  is uniformly bounded. To derive equicontinuity of  $\mathcal{N}$ , let  $t_1, t_2 \in [0, T]$  such that  $t_1 \leq t_2$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\mathcal{N}z(t_2) - \mathcal{N}z(t_1)| &\leq \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{t_1} [(t_1 - s)^{\alpha-1} - (t_2 - s)^{\alpha-1}] |f(s, z(s), z(\lambda s), \beta_z(s))| ds \\
 &\quad + \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \frac{(t_2 - s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} |f(s, z(s), z(\lambda s), \beta_z(s))| ds \\
 &\quad + \frac{\Gamma(2 - p)(t_2 - t_1)}{T^{1-p}\Gamma(\alpha - p)} \int_0^T (T - s)^{\alpha-p-1} |f(s, z(s), z(\lambda s), \beta_z(s))| ds \\
 &\quad + \frac{\Gamma(3 - q)(t_2 - t_1)T^{q-1}}{(2 - p)\Gamma(\alpha - q)} \int_0^T (T - s)^{\alpha-q-1} |f(s, z(s), z(\lambda s), \beta_z(s))| ds \\
 &\quad + \frac{\Gamma(3 - q)(t_2 - t_1)^2}{2\Gamma(\alpha - q)T^{2-q}} \int_0^T (T - s)^{\alpha-q-1} |f(s, z(s), z(\lambda s), \beta_z(s))| ds \\
 &\leq \frac{\mu(2(t_2 - t_1)^\alpha + (t_2^\alpha - t_1^\alpha))}{\Gamma(\alpha + 1)} + \frac{\mu\Gamma(2 - p)(t_2 - t_1)T^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha - p + 1)} \\
 &\quad + \frac{\mu\Gamma(3 - q)(t_2 - t_1)T^{\alpha-1}}{(2 - p)\Gamma(\alpha - q + 1)} + \frac{\mu\Gamma(3 - q)(t_2 - t_1)^2T^{\alpha-2}}{2\Gamma(\alpha - q + 1)}.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{17}$$

From (17), we see that as  $t_1 \rightarrow t_2$ , the right-hand side tends to zero. Therefore

$$|\mathcal{N}z(t_2) - \mathcal{N}z(t_1)| \rightarrow 0, \quad \text{as } t_1 \rightarrow t_2.$$

Since  $\mathcal{N}$  is uniformly bounded, so we can also get that

$$\|\mathcal{N}z(t_2) - \mathcal{N}z(t_1)\|_{\mathcal{M}} \rightarrow 0, \quad \text{as } t_1 \rightarrow t_2,$$

which confirms the equicontinuity of the operator  $\mathcal{N}$ . Analogously  $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{B}) \subset \mathcal{B}$ . Thus, by Arzelá–Ascoli theorem,  $\mathcal{N}$  is completely continuous.  $\square$

**Theorem 3** *Under the complete continuity of operator  $\mathcal{N}$  and hypotheses  $(F_1)$ ,  $(F_2)$ , problem (1) has at least one solution.*

*Proof* We define a set  $\mathcal{E}$  as

$$\mathcal{E} = \{z \in \mathcal{M} : z = \rho \mathcal{N}(z), \rho \in (0, 1)\}.$$

The operator  $\mathcal{N} : \bar{\mathcal{E}} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$  as defined in (14) is completely continuous by Theorem 2. Take  $z \in \mathcal{E}$ . Then, by definition of the set  $\mathcal{E}$  and  $(F_2)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} |z(t)| &= |\rho \mathcal{N}(z)(t)| \\ &\leq \rho \max_{t \in [0, T]} \int_0^T |\mathcal{W}(t, s)| |f(s, z(s), z(\lambda s), \beta_z(s))| ds \\ &\leq \max_{t \in [0, T]} \int_0^T |\mathcal{W}(t, s)| \frac{\theta_0^* + 2\theta_1^* r}{1 - \theta_2^*} ds, \end{aligned}$$

from which we have

$$\|z\|_{\mathcal{M}} \leq \varpi \mu. \tag{18}$$

Hence the set  $\mathcal{E}$  is bounded. So the operator  $\mathcal{N}$  has at least one solution. Consequently, problem (1) maintains at least one solution.  $\square$

**Theorem 4** *If hypothesis  $(F_1)$  and the condition  $\frac{L_f}{1 - K_f} \varpi < 1$  hold, where  $\varpi$  is given in (13), then problem (1) has the unique solution in  $\mathcal{M}$ .*

*Proof* Here we shall use the Banach theorem to prove the required result. Let  $z, \bar{z} \in \mathcal{M}$ . Then for  $t \in [0, T]$  consider

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathcal{N}z(t) - \mathcal{N}\bar{z}(t)| &= \left| \int_0^T \mathcal{W}(t, s) (\beta_z(s) - \beta_{\bar{z}}(s)) ds \right| \\ &\leq \int_0^T |\mathcal{W}(t, s)| |\beta_z(s) - \beta_{\bar{z}}(s)| ds, \end{aligned} \tag{19}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_z(t) &= f(t, z(t), z(\lambda t), \beta_z(t)), \\ \beta_{\bar{z}}(t) &= f(t, \bar{z}(t), \bar{z}(\lambda t), \beta_{\bar{z}}(t)). \end{aligned}$$

By  $(F_1)$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} |\beta_z(t) - \beta_{\bar{z}}(t)| &= |f(t, z(t), z(\lambda t), \beta_z(t)) - f(t, \bar{z}(t), \bar{z}(\lambda t), \beta_{\bar{z}}(t))| \\ &\leq L_f(|z(t) - \bar{z}(t)| + |z(\lambda t) - \bar{z}(\lambda t)|) + K_f|\beta_z(t) - \beta_{\bar{z}}(t)| \\ &\leq \frac{2L_f}{(1 - K_f)}|z(t) - \bar{z}(t)|, \end{aligned}$$

which implies

$$\|\beta_z - \beta_{\bar{z}}\| \leq \frac{2L_f}{(1 - K_f)}\|z - \bar{z}\|.$$

Using this result and property  $(\mathcal{P}_2)$ , from (19), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathcal{N}z - \mathcal{N}\bar{z}\|_{\mathcal{M}} &\leq \max_{t \in [0, T]} \int_0^T |\mathcal{W}(t, s)| \frac{2L_f}{1 - K_f} \|z - \bar{z}\|_{\mathcal{M}} ds \\ &\leq \frac{2L_f \varpi}{1 - K_f} \|z - \bar{z}\|_{\mathcal{M}}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\frac{2L_f \varpi}{1 - K_f} < 1$ , the operator  $\mathcal{N}$  is contraction, and thus by the Banach contraction theorem, problem (1) has the unique solution.  $\square$

### 4 Stability results

The present part of our article addresses stability results for the proposed problem.

**Lemma 3** *For the given problem of pantograph implicit fractional order differential equations with  $t \in [0, T]$*

$$\begin{cases} {}^C_0 D_t^\alpha \bar{z}(t) = f(t, \bar{z}(t), \bar{z}(\lambda t), {}^C_0 D_t^\alpha \bar{z}(t)) + \vartheta(t), & 2 < \alpha \leq 3, \\ \bar{z}(0) = -\bar{z}(T), \quad {}^C_0 D_t^\alpha \bar{z}(0) = -{}^C_0 D_t^\alpha \bar{z}(T), \quad {}^C_0 D_t^q \bar{z}(0) = -{}^C_0 D_t^q \bar{z}(T), \end{cases} \tag{20}$$

we have the following inequality:

$$\left| \bar{z}(t) - \int_0^T \mathcal{W}(t, s) f(s, \bar{z}(s), \bar{z}(\lambda s), {}^C_0 D_t^\alpha \bar{z}(s)) ds \right| \leq \varpi \epsilon, \tag{21}$$

where  $\epsilon > 0$ .

*Proof* Thanks to Corollary 1 the solution of perturbed problem (20) is given by

$$\bar{z}(t) = \int_0^T \mathcal{W}(t, s) f(s, \bar{z}(s), \bar{z}(\lambda s), {}^C_0 D_t^\alpha \bar{z}(s)) ds + \int_0^T \mathcal{W}(t, s) \vartheta(s) ds,$$

from which we have, by using (i) of Remark 1 and property  $(\mathcal{P}_2)$  of  $\mathcal{W}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \bar{z}(t) - \int_0^T \mathcal{W}(t, s) f(s, \bar{z}(s), \bar{z}(\lambda s), {}^C_0 D_t^\alpha \bar{z}(s)) ds \right| &\leq \int_0^T |\mathcal{W}(t, s)| |\vartheta(s)| ds \\ &\leq \varpi \epsilon, \quad t \in [0, T]. \end{aligned} \tag{21} \quad \square$$

**Theorem 5** *If the conditions  $K_f + 2L_f\varpi < 1$  and  $K_f < 1$  hold, then the solution of (1) is Hyers–Ulam stable and generalized Hyers–Ulam stable.*

*Proof* Let  $z \in \mathcal{M}$  be the unique solution of problem (1) and  $\bar{z} \in \mathcal{M}$  be any solution of inequality (21). Then consider

$$\begin{aligned} \|\bar{z} - z\|_{\mathcal{M}} &= \max_{t \in [0, T]} \left| \bar{z} - \int_0^T \mathcal{W}(t, s) f(s, z(s), z(\lambda s), {}^C D_t^\alpha z(s)) ds \right| \\ &\leq \max_{t \in [0, T]} \left| \bar{z} - \int_0^T \mathcal{W}(t, s) f(s, \bar{z}(s), \bar{z}(\lambda s), {}^C D_t^\alpha \bar{z}(s)) ds \right| \\ &\quad + \max_{t \in [0, T]} \left| \int_0^T \mathcal{W}(t, s) f(s, \bar{z}(s), \bar{z}(\lambda s), {}^C D_t^\alpha \bar{z}(s)) ds \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \int_0^T \mathcal{W}(t, s) f(s, z(s), z(\lambda s), {}^C D_t^\alpha z(s)) ds \right|. \end{aligned}$$

By the application of assumption  $(F_1)$  and Lemma 3, we get

$$\|\bar{z} - z\|_{\mathcal{M}} \leq \varpi \epsilon + \frac{2L_f\varpi}{1 - K_f} \|\bar{z} - z\|_{\mathcal{M}}. \tag{22}$$

Upon simplification (22) yields

$$\|\bar{z} - z\| \leq C_f \epsilon; \quad C_f = \frac{\varpi(1 - K_f)}{1 - (K_f + 2L_f\varpi)}. \tag{23}$$

Hence problem (1) is Hyers–Ulam stable. Further, if there exists a nondecreasing function  $\zeta : (0, 1) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$  such that  $\zeta(\epsilon) = \epsilon$  with  $\zeta(0) = 0$ , then from (22) we have

$$\|\bar{z} - z\| \leq C_f \zeta(\epsilon). \tag{24}$$

Thus problem (1) is generalized Hyers–Ulam stable. □

**Lemma 4** *For the given problem (20), the following inequality holds:*

$$\left| \bar{z}(t) - \int_0^T \mathcal{W}(t, s) f(s, \bar{z}(s), \bar{z}(\lambda s), {}^C D_t^\alpha \bar{z}(s)) ds \right| \leq \varpi \xi(t) \epsilon, \quad t \in [0, T]. \tag{25}$$

*Proof* Thanks to Corollary 1 the solution of the perturbed problem (20) is given by

$$\bar{z}(t) = \int_0^T \mathcal{W}(t, s) f(s, \bar{z}(s), \bar{z}(\lambda s), {}^C D_t^\alpha \bar{z}(s)) ds + \int_0^T \mathcal{W}(t, s) \vartheta(s) ds.$$

Using (i) of Remark 2 and property  $(\mathcal{P}_2)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \bar{z}(t) - \int_0^T \mathcal{W}(t, s) f(s, \bar{z}(s), \bar{z}(\lambda s), {}^C D_t^\alpha \bar{z}(s)) ds \right| &\leq \int_0^T |\mathcal{W}(t, s)| |\vartheta(s)| ds \\ &\leq \varpi \xi(t) \epsilon, \quad t \in [0, T]. \end{aligned} \tag{26} \quad \square$$

**Theorem 6** *If hypothesis (F<sub>1</sub>) together with the conditions  $K_f + 2L_f\varpi < 1, K_f < 1$  holds, then problem (1) is Hyers–Ulam–Rassias stable.*

*Proof* Let  $\bar{z}$  be any solution of inequality (25) and  $z \in \mathcal{M}$  be the unique solution of problem (1). Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|\bar{z} - z\|_{\mathcal{M}} &= \max_{t \in [0, T]} \left| \bar{z} - \int_0^T \mathcal{W}(t, s) f(s, z(s), z(\lambda s), {}^C D_t^\alpha z(s)) ds \right| \\ &\leq \max_{t \in [0, T]} \left| \bar{z} - \int_0^T \mathcal{W}(t, s) f(s, \bar{z}(s), \bar{z}(\lambda s), {}^C D_t^\alpha \bar{z}(s)) ds \right| \\ &\quad + \max_{t \in [0, T]} \left| \int_0^T \mathcal{W}(t, s) f(s, \bar{z}(s), \bar{z}(\lambda s), {}^C D_t^\alpha \bar{z}(s)) ds \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \int_0^T \mathcal{W}(t, s) f(s, z(s), z(\lambda s), {}^C D_t^\alpha z(s)) ds \right|. \end{aligned}$$

By the application of assumption (F<sub>1</sub>) and Lemma 4, we get

$$\|\bar{z} - z\|_{\mathcal{M}} \leq \varpi \xi(t) \epsilon + \frac{2L_f \varpi}{1 - K_f} \|\bar{z} - z\|_{\mathcal{M}}. \tag{26}$$

Upon simplification (26) gives

$$\|\bar{z} - z\|_{\mathcal{M}} \leq C_f \xi(t) \epsilon, \quad C_f = \frac{\varpi(1 - K_f)}{1 - (K_f + 2L_f \varpi)}. \tag{27}$$

Thus problem (1) is Hyers–Ulam–Rassias stable. □

**Lemma 5** *The solution of the perturbed problem given in (20) produces the given relation*

$$\left| \bar{z}(t) - \int_0^T \mathcal{W}(t, s) f(s, \bar{z}(s), \bar{z}(\lambda s), {}^C D_t^\alpha \bar{z}(s)) ds \right| \leq \varpi \xi(t), \quad t \in [0, T]. \tag{28}$$

*Proof* For the proof, follow Lemma 3. □

**Theorem 7** *Under hypothesis (F<sub>1</sub>) and the inequalities  $K_f + 2L_f\varpi < 1, K_f < 1$ , the solution of problem (1) is generalized Hyers–Ulam–Rassias stable.*

*Proof* Just like Theorem 6, we have

$$\|\bar{z} - z\|_{\mathcal{M}} \leq C_f \xi(t), \quad C_f = \frac{\varpi(1 - K_f)}{1 - (K_f + 2L_f \varpi)}. \tag{29}$$

□

Hence problem (1) is generalized Hyers–Ulam–Rassias stable.

### 5 Test problems

To test our theoretical results, we present some problems here.

**Problem 1** Consider the following problem of pantograph implicit fractional order differential equations with given anti-periodic boundary conditions:

$$\begin{cases} {}^C_0D_t^{\frac{5}{2}}z(t) = \frac{1}{150} [t \cos z(t) - z(\frac{1}{7}t) \sin(t)] + \frac{{}^C_0D_t^{\frac{5}{2}}z(t)}{100 + {}^C_0D_t^{\frac{5}{2}}z(t)}, & t \in [0, T] = [0, 1], \\ z(0) = -z(1), \quad {}^C_0D_t^{\frac{1}{2}}z(0) = -{}^C_0D_t^{\frac{1}{2}}z(1), \quad {}^C_0D_t^{\frac{3}{2}}z(0) = -{}^C_0D_t^{\frac{3}{2}}z(1). \end{cases} \tag{30}$$

Here,

$$f(t, z(t), z(\lambda t), {}^C_0D_t^\alpha z(t)) = \frac{1}{150} \left[ t \cos z(t) - z\left(\frac{1}{7}t\right) \sin(t) \right] + \frac{{}^C_0D_t^{\frac{5}{2}}z(t)}{100 + {}^C_0D_t^{\frac{5}{2}}z(t)},$$

with  $\alpha = \frac{5}{2}, p = \frac{1}{2}, q = \frac{3}{2}, \lambda = \frac{1}{7}, T = 1$ . The continuity of  $f$  is obvious.

By hypothesis  $(F_1)$ , for any  $z, \bar{z} \in R$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} |f(t, z(t), z(\lambda t), {}^C_0D_t^\alpha z(t)) - f(t, \bar{z}(t), \bar{z}(\lambda t), {}^C_0D_t^\alpha \bar{z}(t))| &\leq \frac{1}{150} [|z(t) - \bar{z}(t)| + |z(t) - \bar{z}(t)|] \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{100} |{}^C_0D_t^{\frac{5}{2}}z(t) - {}^C_0D_t^{\frac{5}{2}}\bar{z}(t)| \\ &= \frac{1}{150} [2|z(t) - \bar{z}(t)|] \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{100} |{}^C_0D_t^{\frac{5}{2}}z(t) - {}^C_0D_t^{\frac{5}{2}}\bar{z}(t)|. \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have  $L_f = \frac{1}{150}, K_f = \frac{1}{100}$ . On computation, we have  $\varpi = 1.26098028$ . Now, thanks to Theorem 4, we see that

$$\frac{2L_f\varpi}{1 - K_f} = 1.6982 \times 10^{-2} < 1.$$

Thus the given problem (1) has at most one solution. Further, on using Theorem 5, we see that

$$K_f + 2L_f\varpi = 0.0168130 + 0.01 = 0.0268130704 < 1.$$

Hence the solution is Hyers–Ulam stable. Further, it is also generalized Hyers–Ulam stable. For Hyers–Ulam–Rassias stability, we apply Theorem 6 by taking a nondecreasing function  $\xi(t) = t$  for  $t \in (0, 1)$ . One has  $C_f = \frac{\varpi(1-K_f)}{1-(K_f+2L_f\varpi)} = 1.2828$ . Hence we see that, for the unique solution  $\bar{z} \in \mathcal{M}$  and any solution  $z \in \mathcal{M}$ , the following relation holds true:

$$\|z - \bar{z}\|_{\mathcal{M}} \leq 1.2828\epsilon t \quad \text{for all } t \in [0, 1].$$

Hence the solution of (1) is Hyers–Ulam–Rassias stable. Consequently, it is obviously generalized Hyers–Ulam–Rassias stable on using Theorem 7.

**Problem 2** Here we take another problem of pantograph implicit fractional order differential equations

$$\begin{cases} {}^C_0D_t^{\frac{5}{2}}z(t) = \frac{e^{-\pi t}}{10} + \frac{e^{-t}}{40+t^2}(\sin(|z(t)|) + z(\frac{1}{4}t) + \sin(|{}^C_0D_t^{\frac{5}{2}}z(t)|)), & t \in [0, 1], \\ z(0) = -z(1), \quad {}^C_0D_t^{\frac{1}{2}}z(0) = -{}^C_0D_t^{\frac{1}{2}}z(1), \quad {}^C_0D_t^{\frac{3}{2}}z(0) = -{}^C_0D_t^{\frac{3}{2}}z(1). \end{cases} \tag{31}$$

Here,

$$\begin{aligned} f(t, z(t), z(\lambda t), {}^C_0D_t^\alpha z(t)) &= \frac{\exp(-\pi t)}{10} + \frac{\exp(-t)}{40+t^2} \sin(|z(t)|) + z\left(\frac{1}{4}t\right) \\ &\quad + \frac{\exp(-t)}{40+t^2} \sin(|{}^C_0D_t^{\frac{5}{2}}z(t)|), \end{aligned}$$

with  $\alpha = \frac{5}{2}, p = \frac{1}{2}, q = \frac{3}{2}, \lambda = \frac{1}{4}, T = 1$ . The continuity of  $f$  is obvious.

Now, for any  $z, \bar{z} \in \mathcal{M}$ , and  $t \in [0, 1]$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} |f(t, z(t), z(\lambda t), {}^C_0D_t^\alpha z(t)) - f(t, \bar{z}(t), \bar{z}(\lambda t), {}^C_0D_t^\alpha \bar{z}(t))| &\leq \frac{1}{40} [2|z(t) - \bar{z}(t)| \\ &\quad + |{}^C_0D_t^{\frac{5}{2}}z(t) - {}^C_0D_t^{\frac{5}{2}}\bar{z}(t)|]. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $f$  satisfies hypothesis  $(F_1)$  with  $L_f = K_f = \frac{1}{40}$ . The function  $f$  also satisfies hypothesis  $(F_2)$  with  $\theta_0(t) = \frac{\exp(-\pi t)}{10}, \theta_1(t) = \theta_2(t) = \frac{\exp(-t)}{40+t^2}$ , where  $\theta_0^*(t) = \frac{1}{10}, \theta_1^*(t) = \theta_2^*(t) = \frac{1}{40}$ . Upon calculation, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \varpi &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\frac{5}{2} + 1)} + \frac{\Gamma(2 - \frac{1}{2})}{2\Gamma(\frac{5}{2} - \frac{1}{2} + 1)} + \frac{(\frac{1}{2} + 2)(\Gamma(3 - \frac{3}{2}))}{2(2 - \frac{1}{2})\Gamma(\frac{5}{2} - \frac{3}{2} + 1)} \\ &= 1.26098028. \end{aligned}$$

Thanks to Theorem 3, we see that  $\mu = \frac{\theta_0^* \varpi}{1 - (\theta_2^* + 2\theta_1^* \varpi)} = 0.1383$ , and therefore the condition  $\theta_2^* + 2\theta_1^* \varpi < 1$  holds true. Thus the given problem (2) has at least one solution. Further, using Theorem 4, we see that

$$\frac{2L_f \varpi}{1 - K_f} = 6.46656 \times 10^{-2} < 1.$$

So the criteria for unique solution have been followed. Further, by using Theorem 5, we observe that

$$K_f + 2L_f \varpi = 11.3048 \times 10^{-2} < 1.$$

Hence the solution is Hyers–Ulam stable. Further, it is also generalized Hyers–Ulam stable. For Hyers–Ulam–Rassias stability, we use our Theorem 6 by taking a nondecreasing function  $\xi(t) = t$  for  $t \in (0, 1)$ . One has  $C_f = \frac{\varpi(1-K_f)}{1-(K_f+2L_f\varpi)} = 1.38616$ . Hence we see that, for any solution  $\bar{z} \in \mathcal{M}$  and the unique solution  $z \in \mathcal{M}$ , the following relation holds true:

$$\|\bar{z} - z\|_{\mathcal{M}} \leq 1.38616\epsilon t \quad \text{for all } t \in [0, 1].$$

Hence the solution of (1) is Hyers–Ulam–Rassias stable. Consequently, it is obviously generalized Hyers–Ulam–Rassias stable on using Theorem 7.

**Problem 3** Consider the third example of pantograph implicit fractional order differential equations:

$$\begin{cases} {}^C_0D_t^{\frac{7}{3}}z(t) = \frac{t}{50} + \frac{(t^2+3)}{40}\sqrt{|z(t)|} + \frac{(t^2+3)}{40}\sqrt{|z(\frac{1}{5}t)|} \\ \quad + \frac{(t^2+3)}{40} {}^C_0D_t^{\frac{7}{3}}(z(t)), \quad t \in [0, 2], \\ z(0) = -z(2), \quad {}^C_0D_t^{\frac{1}{3}}z(0) = -{}^C_0D_t^{\frac{1}{3}}z(2), \quad {}^C_0D_t^{\frac{4}{3}}z(0) = -{}^C_0D_t^{\frac{4}{3}}z(2). \end{cases} \tag{32}$$

Here,

$$\begin{aligned} f(t, z(t), z(\lambda t), {}^C_0D_t^\alpha z(t)) &= \frac{t}{50} + \frac{(t^2+3)}{40}\sqrt{|z(t)|} + \frac{(t^2+3)}{40}\sqrt{\left|z\left(\frac{1}{5}t\right)\right|} \\ &\quad + \frac{(t^2+3)}{40} {}^C_0D_t^{\frac{7}{3}}(z(t)), \end{aligned}$$

with  $\alpha = \frac{7}{3}, p = \frac{1}{3}, q = \frac{4}{3}, T = 2$ . For any  $z, \bar{z} \in R$  and  $t \in [0, 2]$ , let us have

$$\begin{aligned} |f(t, z(t), z(\lambda t), {}^C_0D_t^\alpha z(t)) - f(t, \bar{z}(t), \bar{z}(\lambda t), {}^C_0D_t^\alpha \bar{z}(t))| &\leq \frac{1}{9}[2|z(t) - \bar{z}(t)| \\ &\quad + |{}^C_0D_t^{\frac{7}{3}}z(t) - {}^C_0D_t^{\frac{7}{3}}\bar{z}(t)|]. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $f$  satisfies hypothesis  $(F_1)$  with  $L_f = K_f = \frac{1}{9}$ . The function  $f$  also satisfies hypothesis  $(F_2)$  with  $\theta_0(t) = \frac{t}{50}, \theta_1(t) = \theta_2(t) = \frac{t^2+1}{45}$ , where  $\theta_0^*(t) = \frac{1}{25}, \theta_1^*(t) = \theta_2^*(t) = \frac{1}{9}$ . Upon computation, we can arrive at  $\theta_2^* + \theta_1^* \varpi < 1$  and  $\frac{2L_f}{1-K_f} \varpi < 1$ . Thus, on using Theorem 4, the required results are followed. Moreover, it also satisfies the condition of Hyers–Ulam stability and generalized Hyers–Ulam stability by computing  $K_f + 2L_f \varpi < 1$  and using Theorem 5. Taking a nondecreasing function  $\xi(t) = 1 + t$ , problem (3) is Hyers–Ulam–Rassias stable and hence generalized Hyers–Ulam–Rassias stable upon the application of Theorem 6 and Theorem 7 respectively.

### 6 Conclusion

In the present work we have established qualitative analysis of existence results regarding the solution of nonlinear pantograph implicit fractional order differential equations subject to anti-periodic boundary conditions. The respective analysis has been carried out via fixed point theory. Further some adequate results were also developed corresponding to Hyers–Ulam type stability and its various forms. To testify the established theory, some test problems were given in the last section. We concluded that nonlinear analysis is a powerful tool to study applied problems.

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