

Existence of solutions to boundary value problem of fourth-order with functional boundary conditions at resonance

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Abstract: We study the existence of solutions for a fourth-order functional boundary value problem

at resonance
$$\begin{cases} u^{(4)}(t) = f(t, u(t), u'(t), u''(t), u'''(t)), t \in (0, 1) \\ \varphi_1(u) = \varphi_2(u) = \varphi_3(u) = \varphi_4(u) = 0 \end{cases}$$
 where $\varphi_i : C^3[0, 1] \rightarrow R, i = 1, 2, 3$. By

using the coincidence degree theory due to Mawhin and constructing suitable operators.

1. Introduction and introduction

A boundary value problem is said to be at resonance if the corresponding homogeneous boundary value problem has a non-trivial solution. Boundary value problems at resonance have been studied by many authors. We refer the readers to [1-9] and the references cited therein. In [10], the authors discussed the second-order differential equation $x''(t) = f(t, x(t), x'(t)), t \in (0, 1)$ with functional boundary conditions $\Gamma_1(x) = 0, \Gamma_2(x) = 0$, where Γ_1, Γ_2 are linear functional on $C^1[0, 1]$ satisfying the general resonance condition $\Gamma_1(x)\Gamma_2(1) = \Gamma_1(1)\Gamma_2(x)$.

In [11] proved the existence of solutions for third-order functional boundary value problems (FBVPs) at resonance

$$\begin{cases} x'''(t) = f(t, x(t), x'(t), x''(t)), 0 < t < 1 \\ \varphi_1(x) = \varphi_2(x) = \varphi_3(x) = 0, \end{cases}$$

where $\varphi_i : C^3[0, 1] \rightarrow R, i = 1, 2, 3, 4$ are bounded linear functionals. In this paper, the existence of solutions to the following boundary value problems is studied by using the coincidence degree extension theorem

$$\begin{cases} u^{(4)}(t) = f(t, u(t), u'(t), u''(t), u'''(t)), t \in (0, 1) \\ \varphi_1(u) = \varphi_2(u) = \varphi_3(u) = \varphi_4(u) = 0 \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

where $\varphi_i : C^3[0, 1] \rightarrow R, i = 1, 2, 3, \varphi_i(t^j) = 0, i = 1, 2, 3, 4, j \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$.

2. Preliminaries

For convenience, we denote

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} \varphi_1(t^3) & \varphi_1(t^2) & \varphi_1(t) & \varphi_1(1) \\ \varphi_2(t^3) & \varphi_2(t^2) & \varphi_2(t) & \varphi_2(1) \\ \varphi_3(t^3) & \varphi_3(t^2) & \varphi_3(t) & \varphi_3(1) \\ \varphi_4(t^3) & \varphi_4(t^2) & \varphi_4(t) & \varphi_4(1) \end{vmatrix},$$

$$\Delta_1(v) = \begin{vmatrix} \varphi_1(\int_0^t (t-s)^3 v(s) ds) & \varphi_1(t^2) & \varphi_1(t) & \varphi_1(1) \\ \varphi_2(\int_0^t (t-s)^3 v(s) ds) & \varphi_2(t^2) & \varphi_2(t) & \varphi_2(1) \\ \varphi_3(\int_0^t (t-s)^3 v(s) ds) & \varphi_3(t^2) & \varphi_3(t) & \varphi_3(1) \\ \varphi_4(\int_0^t (t-s)^3 v(s) ds) & \varphi_4(t^2) & \varphi_4(t) & \varphi_4(1) \end{vmatrix},$$

$$\Delta_2(v) = \begin{vmatrix} \varphi_1(t^3) & \varphi_1(\int_0^t (t-s)^3 v(s) ds) & \varphi_1(t) & \varphi_1(1) \\ \varphi_2(t^3) & \varphi_2(\int_0^t (t-s)^3 v(s) ds) & \varphi_2(t) & \varphi_2(1) \\ \varphi_3(t^3) & \varphi_3(\int_0^t (t-s)^3 v(s) ds) & \varphi_3(t) & \varphi_3(1) \\ \varphi_4(t^3) & \varphi_4(\int_0^t (t-s)^3 v(s) ds) & \varphi_4(t) & \varphi_4(1) \end{vmatrix},$$

$$\Delta_3(v) = \begin{vmatrix} \varphi_1(t^3) & \varphi_1(t^2) & \varphi_1(\int_0^t (t-s)^3 v(s) ds) & \varphi_1(1) \\ \varphi_2(t^3) & \varphi_2(t^2) & \varphi_2(\int_0^t (t-s)^3 v(s) ds) & \varphi_2(1) \\ \varphi_3(t^3) & \varphi_3(t^2) & \varphi_3(\int_0^t (t-s)^3 v(s) ds) & \varphi_3(1) \\ \varphi_4(t^3) & \varphi_4(t^2) & \varphi_4(\int_0^t (t-s)^3 v(s) ds) & \varphi_4(1) \end{vmatrix},$$

$$\Delta_4(v) = \begin{vmatrix} \varphi_1(t^3) & \varphi_1(t^2) & \varphi_1(t) & \varphi_1(\int_0^t (t-s)^3 v(s) ds) \\ \varphi_2(t^3) & \varphi_2(t^2) & \varphi_2(t) & \varphi_2(\int_0^t (t-s)^3 v(s) ds) \\ \varphi_3(t^3) & \varphi_3(t^2) & \varphi_3(t) & \varphi_3(\int_0^t (t-s)^3 v(s) ds) \\ \varphi_4(t^3) & \varphi_4(t^2) & \varphi_4(t) & \varphi_4(\int_0^t (t-s)^3 v(s) ds) \end{vmatrix},$$

From the last three determinants we can define and derive the following three relations:

$$\Delta_1(Lu) = \begin{vmatrix} \varphi_1(-u'''(0)t^3 - 2u''(0)t^2 - 2u'(0)t - 2u(0)) & \varphi_1(t^2) & \varphi_1(t) & \varphi_1(1) \\ \varphi_2(-u'''(0)t^3 - 2u''(0)t^2 - 2u'(0)t - 2u(0)) & \varphi_2(t^2) & \varphi_2(t) & \varphi_2(1) \\ \varphi_3(-u'''(0)t^3 - 2u''(0)t^2 - 2u'(0)t - 2u(0)) & \varphi_3(t^2) & \varphi_3(t) & \varphi_3(1) \\ \varphi_4(-u'''(0)t^3 - 2u''(0)t^2 - 2u'(0)t - 2u(0)) & \varphi_4(t^2) & \varphi_4(t) & \varphi_4(1) \end{vmatrix} = -u'''(0)\Delta \quad (2)$$

$$\Delta_2(Lu) = \begin{vmatrix} \varphi_1(t^3) & \varphi_1(-u'''(0)t^3 - 2u''(0)t^2 - 2u'(0)t - 2u(0)) & \varphi_1(t) & \varphi_1(1) \\ \varphi_2(t^3) & \varphi_2(-u'''(0)t^3 - 2u''(0)t^2 - 2u'(0)t - 2u(0)) & \varphi_2(t) & \varphi_2(1) \\ \varphi_3(t^3) & \varphi_3(-u'''(0)t^3 - 2u''(0)t^2 - 2u'(0)t - 2u(0)) & \varphi_3(t) & \varphi_3(1) \\ \varphi_4(t^3) & \varphi_4(-u'''(0)t^3 - 2u''(0)t^2 - 2u'(0)t - 2u(0)) & \varphi_4(t) & \varphi_4(1) \end{vmatrix} = -3u''(0)\Delta \quad (3)$$

$$\Delta_3(Lu) = \begin{vmatrix} \varphi_1(t^3) & \varphi_1(t^2) & \varphi_1(-u'''(0)t^3 - 2u''(0)t^2 - 2u'(0)t - 2u(0)) & \varphi_1(1) \\ \varphi_2(t^3) & \varphi_2(t^2) & \varphi_2(-u'''(0)t^3 - 2u''(0)t^2 - 2u'(0)t - 2u(0)) & \varphi_2(1) \\ \varphi_3(t^3) & \varphi_3(t^2) & \varphi_3(-u'''(0)t^3 - 2u''(0)t^2 - 2u'(0)t - 2u(0)) & \varphi_3(1) \\ \varphi_4(t^3) & \varphi_4(t^2) & \varphi_4(-u'''(0)t^3 - 2u''(0)t^2 - 2u'(0)t - 2u(0)) & \varphi_4(1) \end{vmatrix} = -6u'(0)\Delta \quad (4)$$

and $\Delta_4(Lu) = -6u(0)\Delta$. Also, $\Delta_{ij}, i, j = 1, 2, 3, 4, \Delta_k(v)_{ij}, i, k = 1, 2, 3, 4, j = \{1, 2, 3, 4\} \setminus \{k\}$, are the cofactors of $\varphi_i(t^{4-j})$ in $\Delta, \Delta_k(v), k = 1, 2, 3, 4$ respectively.

Mawhin's continuation theorem:

Let X, Y be the Banach space, $L: \text{dom}L \subset X \rightarrow Y$ be the Linear mapping, $N: X \rightarrow Y$ be the Nonlinear continuous mapping, Let $\dim \ker L = \dim(Y/\text{Im}L) < +\infty$, and $\text{Im}L$ is a Closed set in Y , according to L is a Fredholm operator whose index is zero. If L is a Fredholm operator whose index is zero, then there is a continuous projection operator $P: X \rightarrow \text{Ker}L$ and $Q: Y \rightarrow Y_1$, such that $\text{Im}P = \text{Ker}L, \text{Ker}Q = \text{Im}L, X = \text{Ker}L \oplus \text{Ker}P, Y = \text{Im}L \oplus \text{Im}Q. L_P := L|_{\text{dom}L \cap X_1}$ is invertible, so let's call that the inverse K . If $QN(\bar{\Omega})$ is bounded, and $K(I-Q)N: \bar{\Omega} \rightarrow X$ is relatively tight in X , according to N is L -tight in $\bar{\Omega}$, where Ω is any bounded open set in X .

Theorem 2.1: (Mawhin coincidence degree theory^[10]) Let X, Y be the Banach space, L is a Fredholm operator whose index is zero, $N: \bar{\Omega} \rightarrow Y$ is L -tight in $\bar{\Omega}$. If

- (1) $Lx \neq \lambda Nx, \forall (x, \lambda) \in (\text{dom}L \cap \partial\Omega) \times (0, 1)$;
- (2) $Nx \notin \text{Im}L, \forall x \in \text{Ker}L \cap \partial\Omega$;
- (3) $\deg(JQN, \Omega \cap \text{Ker}L, 0) \neq 0$, there $J: \text{Im}Q \rightarrow \text{Ker}L$ is a linear isomorphism; equation $Lx = Nx$ has at least one solution in $\text{dom}L \cap \bar{\Omega}$.

We work in $U = C^3[0, 1]$ with the norm $\|u\| = \max\{\|u\|_\infty, \|u'\|_\infty, \|u''\|_\infty, \|u'''\|_\infty\}$, where

$\|u\|_\infty = \max_{t \in [0, 1]} |u(t)|$. we define $V = L^1[0, 1]$ with the norm $\|v\|_1 = \int_0^1 v(t) dt$.

In this paper, we always suppose that the following condition holds:

- (C) There exist constants $k_i > 0, i = 1, 2, 3, 4$, such that $|\varphi_i(u)| \leq k_i \|u\|, u \in U$ and the function $f(t, x, y, z, w)$ satisfies the Carathéodory conditions, that is, $f(\cdot, x, y, z, w)$ is measurable for each fixed $(x, y, z, w) \in R^4$, $f(t, \cdot, \cdot, \cdot, \cdot)$ is continuous for a.e. $t \in [0, 1]$.

3. The main results

In this case, we assume that there exists $j \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ such that $\Delta_{j4} \neq 0$. In what follows, we choose and fix such j .

Lemma 3.1^[12] There exists a function $g_4 \in V$ such that $\Delta_4(g_4) = 1$.

Lemma 3.2^[12] $\text{Im}L = \{v \in V : \Delta_4(v) = 0\}$.

Lemma 3.3 $K_{P_4} = (L|_{\text{dom}L \cap \text{Ker}P_4})^{-1}$.

We introduce the constants $l_3 = k_1 |\Delta_{14}| + k_2 |\Delta_{24}| + k_3 |\Delta_{34}| + k_4 |\Delta_{44}|$ and

$$l = \max\{k_1 k_2, k_1 k_3, k_1 k_4, k_2 k_3, k_2 k_4, k_3 k_4\}. \quad (5)$$

The next assumption is fulfilled in the main results by virtue of appropriate assumptions on $f(t, \cdot, \cdot, \cdot, \cdot)$:

- (H₁) For any $r > 0$, there exists a function $h_r \in V$ such that $|f(t, u(t), u'(t), u''(t), u'''(t))| \leq h_r(t)$, $u \in U, \|u\| \leq r$.

Lemma 3.4 There exists a function $g_4 \in V$ such that $\Delta_4(g_4) = 1$.

If (H₁) holds and $\Omega \subset U$ is bounded, then N is L -compact on $\bar{\Omega}$.

In order to obtain the main results, we impose the following conditions:

- (H₂) There exist nonnegative functions $a, b, c, d, e \in V$ such that

$$|f(t, x, y, z, w)| \leq a(t)|x| + b(t)|y| + c(t)|z| + d(t)|w|, t \in [0, 1], a, b, c, d, e \in R;$$

(H₃) There exists a constant $M_{04} > 0$ such that $\Delta_4(Nu) \neq 0$ if $|u(t)| > M_{04}, t \in [0, 1]$;

(H₄) There exists a constant $M_{14} > 0$ such that if $|c| > M_{14}$, then one of the following two inequalities holds:

$$c\Delta_4(Nc) > 0 \tag{6}$$

$$\text{or } c\Delta_4(Nc) < 0 \tag{7}$$

(here $Nc = f(t, c, 0, 0, 0), c \in R$)

Lemma 3.5^[12] Assume that (H₂) (H₃) hold and let

$$A_{p4}(\|b\|_1 + \|c\|_1 + \|d\|_1 + \|e\|_1) < \frac{1}{2}. \tag{8}$$

where $A_{p4} = 1 + \frac{8l}{|\Delta_{j4}|}$. Then $\Omega_{14} = \{u \in \text{dom}L \setminus \text{Ker}L : Lu = \lambda Nu, \lambda \in (0, 1)\}$ is bounded.

Lemma 3.6^[12] Assume that (H₄) holds. Then $\Omega_{24} = \{u \in \text{Ker}L : Nu \in \text{Im}L\}$ is bounded.

Lemma 3.7 Assume that (H₄) holds. Then

$\Omega_{44} = \{U : \rho\lambda U + (1-\lambda)\Delta_4(Nu) = 0, u \in \text{Ker}L, \lambda \in [0, 1]\}$ is bounded, where $\rho = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if (6) holds} \\ -1, & \text{if (7) holds} \end{cases}$.

Theorem 3.1: Assume that (H₂)- (H₄) and (8) hold. Then problem (1) has at least one solution.

Proof Let $\Omega \supset \bar{\Omega}_{14} \cup \bar{\Omega}_{24} \cup \bar{\Omega}_{34} \cup \bar{\Omega}_{44}$ be bounded. It follows Lemmas 3.5 and Lemmas 3.6 that

$Lu \neq \lambda Nu, u \in (\text{dom}L \setminus \text{Ker}L) \cap \partial\Omega, \lambda \in (0, 1)$, and $Nu \notin \text{Im}L, u \in \text{Ker}L \cap \partial\Omega$. Let

$$H(u, \lambda) = \lambda\rho u + (1-\lambda)J_4Q_4Nu,$$

where $J_4 : \text{Im}Q_4 \rightarrow \text{Ker}L$ is an isomorphism defined by $J_4(cg_4) = c, c \in R$. By Lemma 3.7, we know

$H(u, \lambda) \neq 0, u \in \partial\Omega \cap \text{Ker}L, \lambda \in [0, 1]$. Since the degree is invariant under a homotopy,

$$\begin{aligned} \deg(J_4Q_4N|_{\text{Ker}L}, \Omega \cap \text{Ker}L, 0, 0) &= \deg(H(\cdot, 0), \Omega \cap \text{Ker}L, 0, 0) \\ &= \deg(H(\cdot, 1), \Omega \cap \text{Ker}L, 0, 0) \\ &= \deg(\rho I, \Omega \cap \text{Ker}L, 0, 0) \neq 0. \end{aligned}$$

By Theorem 2.1, $Lu = Nu$ has a solution in $\text{dom}L \cap \bar{\Omega}$.

4. Conclusion

In this paper, the existence of at least one solutions to boundary value problem of resonance fourth-order with functional boundary; By means of Machin's continuation theorem, the existence of solution is verified.

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