# On the Existence of Solutions to Boundary Value Problem of Resonance Fourthorder p-Laplace with One Order Derivative

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**Abstract:** This paper deals with the fourth-order p-Laplace boundary value problem of resonance  $\begin{cases} (\varphi_p(x''(t)))'' = f(t,x(t),x'(t)), & 0 < t < 1 \\ x(0) = 0, x(1) = ax(\xi), x''(0) = 0, x''(1) = bx''(\eta) \end{cases}$  where  $0 < \xi, \eta < 1; a,b > 0$  such that  $a\xi = 1$  and  $b^{p-1}\eta \le 1$ . The existence of solution is obtained by means of Mawhin's continuation theorem.

#### 1. Introduction

Boundary value problems of differential equations are of great significance both in theory and in practice, where, differential equation with p-Laplace operator is an important research field in linear analysis, Many practical problems are translated into the existence of solutions to boundary value problems with p-Laplace operatorse. For example, the application of gas dynamics, research on flight stability of missiles, neuroscience and chemistry [1-3]. The study of boundary value problems with p-Laplace operator resonance differential equations can not only improve the basic mathematical theory, but also have an important influence on the study of other disciplines [4-5].

Lu,Jin [6] proved the existence of solutions for the following boundary value problems is studied by using the coincidence degree theory

$$\begin{cases} (\varphi_p(u''(t)))'' = f(t, u(t), u'(t), u''(t)), 0 < t < 1 \\ u(0) = 0, u(1) = au(\xi), u''(0) = 0, u''(1) = bu''(\eta) \end{cases}$$

For this boundary value problem, if a = b = 0 and f(t, u) is nonlinear term, By the fixed point theory proved the existence and multiplicity of some solutions [7-8]. In [9], by using the upper and lower solution method proved the existence result of the solution. These studies on boundary value problems are conducted in non-resonant situations. Based on the above results, In this paper, the existence of solutions to the following boundary value problems is studied by using the coincidence degree extension theorem

$$\begin{cases}
(\varphi_p(x''(t)))'' = f(t, x(t), x'(t)), & 0 < t < 1 \\
x(0) = 0, x(1) = ax(\xi), x''(0) = 0, x''(1) = bx''(\eta)
\end{cases}$$
where  $\varphi_p(t) = |t|^{p-2} t$ ,  $f: C([0,1] \times R^2 \to R)$ ,  $0 < \xi, \eta < 1, a, b > 0$ , and  $a\xi = b^{p-1}\eta = 1$ .

## Mawhin's continuation theorem:

Let X,Y be the Banach space,  $L:domL \subset X \to Y$  be the Linear mapping,  $N:X \to Y$  be the Nonlinear continuous mapping, Let  $\dim\ker L = \dim(\stackrel{Y}{/}\operatorname{Im} L) < +\infty$ , and  $\operatorname{Im} L$  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  $P:X \to KerL$  and  $Q:Y \to Y_1$ , such that  $\operatorname{Im} P = K \operatorname{er} L, K \operatorname{er} Q = \operatorname{Im} L, X = KerL \oplus KerP, Y = \operatorname{Im} L \oplus \operatorname{Im} Q : L_P := L\big|_{domL \cap X_1}$  is invertible, so let's call that the inverse K. If  $QN(\overline{\Omega})$  is bounded, and  $K(I-Q)N:\overline{\Omega} \to X$  is relatively tight in X, according to N is L- tight in  $\overline{\Omega}$ , where  $\Omega$  is any bounded open set in X.

**Lemma 1.1:** (Mawhin coincidence degree theory  $^{[10]}$ ) Let X,Y be the Banach space, L is a Fredholm operator whose index is zero,  $N:\overline{\Omega} \to Y$  is L- tight in  $\overline{\Omega}$ . If

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

**Lemma 1.2**<sup>[11]</sup>: Let  $0 \le c < \frac{1}{\xi}$ , if  $v \in [0,1]$ , BVP  $\begin{cases} x''(t) = v(t), t \in (0,1) \\ x(0) = 0, x(1) = ax(\xi) \end{cases}$  has a unique solution x,

$$x(t) = \int_0^1 \Gamma(t, s) v(s) ds, t \in [0, 1].$$

$$\Gamma(t,s) = \begin{cases} s \in [0,\xi] : \begin{cases} \frac{t}{1-c\xi} [(1-s)-c(\xi-s)], t \le s \\ \frac{s}{1-c\xi} [(1-t)-c(\xi-t)], s \le t \end{cases} \\ s \in [\xi,1] : \begin{cases} \frac{1}{1-c\xi} t(1-s), & t \le s \\ \frac{1}{1-c\xi} [s(1-t)+t(t-s)], s \le t \end{cases} \end{cases}$$

**Define 1.1:** Let  $W = \{x: x, \varphi_p(x'') \in C^2[0,1]\}$ , if  $x \in W$  and satisfies (1), according to x is a solution to the boundary value problem (1).

$$a\xi = b\eta^{p-1} = 1$$

When  $p \neq 2$ ,  $(\varphi_p(x''))'' = (|x''|^{p-2} x'')''$  is nonlinear, so apply the Mawhin's coincidence degree theory, we have BVP (1) in the following form:

$$\begin{cases} u_1''(t) = \varphi_q(u_2(t)) = |u_2(t)|^{q-2} u_2(t) \\ u_2''(t) = f(t, u_1(t), u_1'(t)) \\ u_1(0) = 0, \quad u_1(1) = au_1(\xi) \\ u_2(0) = 0, \quad u_2(1) = b^{p-1} u_2(\eta) \end{cases}$$
(2)

There q > 1 is a constant, and  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ . If  $u(t) = (u_1(t), u_2(t))^T$  is a solution to (2), then  $u_1(t)$  is a solution to BVP (1).

Define 
$$|\phi|_0 = \max_{t \in [0,1]} |\phi(t)|$$
,  $U = \{u = (u_1(\cdot), u_2(\cdot))^T \in C^1[0,1] \times C^1[0,1] \}$ , with the norm

$$\|u\|_{U} = \max\left\{ \left|u_{1}\right|_{0}, \left|u_{1}'\right|_{0}, \left|u_{2}\right|_{0}, \left|u_{2}'\right|_{0} \right\}; \ V = \left\{v = \left(v_{1}(\cdot), v_{2}(\cdot)\right)^{T} \in C^{1}[0, 1] \times C^{1}[0, 1] \right\}, \text{the norm}$$

 $\left\|v\right\|_{V}=\max\left\{\left|v_{1}\right|_{0},\left|v_{2}\right|_{0}\right\}.\ U\ \text{and}\ V\ \text{ be the Banach space. Let }L:domL\subset U\to V\ ,\ \text{and}$ 

$$Lu = \begin{pmatrix} u_1'' \\ u_2'' \end{pmatrix} \tag{3}$$

where  $domL = \left\{ u \in C^1[0,1] \times C^1[0,1] : u_1(0) = 0, u_2(1) = au_1(\xi), u_2(0) = 0, u_2(1) = b^{p-1}u_2(\eta) \right\}$ Let  $N: U \to V$ , and

$$Nu = \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_q(u_2(t)) \\ f(t, u_1(t), u_1'(t)) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\tag{4}$$

so (2) is transformed into an abstract equation:  $Lu = Nu, u \in domL$ .

It's easy to see by the definition of L,  $KerL = \{u = (c_1t, c_2t)^T : c_1, c_2 \in R\}$  and

 $\operatorname{Im} L = \left\{ v = \left( v_1(\cdot), v_2(\cdot) \right)^T \in V : \int_0^1 \int_{\xi_t}^t v_1(s) ds dt = \int_0^1 \int_{\eta_t}^t v_2(s) ds dt = 0 \right\}, \text{ Assumed projection operator}$ 

 $P: U \to KerL$  and  $Q: Y \to Im Q$  as follows  $(Pu)(t) = (u'_1(0)t, u'_2(0)t)^T$ ,

$$(Qv)(t) = (\frac{2}{1-\xi} \int_0^1 \int_{\xi t}^t v_1(s) ds dt, \frac{2}{1-\eta} \int_0^1 \int_{\xi t}^t v_1(s) ds dt)^T$$

For  $v \in V$ , let  $\tilde{v} = v - Qv$ , so  $\int_0^1 \int_{\xi t}^t \tilde{v}_1(s) ds dt = \int_0^1 \int_{\eta t}^t \tilde{v}_2(s) ds dt = 0$ .  $\tilde{v} \in \text{Im } L \text{ and } V = \text{Im } L + R^2$ . In addition,  $\text{Im } L \cap R^2 = \{0\}$ , thus  $V = \text{Im } L \oplus R^2$ . That means  $\dim KerL = co \dim \text{Im } L < +\infty$ , so L is an Fredholm operator whose index is zero. On the other hand, K is  $L|_{KerP \cap dom L}$  inverse, so

$$(Kv)(t) = (\int_0^t \int_0^\tau v_1(s) ds d\tau, \int_0^t \int_0^\tau v_2(s) ds d\tau)^T$$
 (5)

By (4) and (5), we have N is L – tight in  $\overline{\Omega}$ ,  $\Omega$  is any bounded open set in U.

**Theorem 2.1:** If  $a\xi = b^{p-1}\eta = 1$ , and satisfying

(H<sub>1</sub>) there is constant D > 0 such that vf(t, u, v) > 0 (or vf(t, u, v) < 0), for all |v| > D,  $t \in [0,1]$  and  $u \in R$ .

(H<sub>2</sub>) there is a nonnegative constant  $r_i$ , i = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 such that

$$|f(t,u,v)| \le r_1 |u|^{p-1} + r_2 |v|^{p-1} + r_3, (t,u,v) \in [0,1] \times R^2$$

when  $C_p(r_1 + r_2) < 1$ , BVP (1) has at least one solution, where  $C_p = \begin{cases} 1, & 1 2 \end{cases}$ .

**Proof:** For the equation  $Lu = \lambda Nu$ ,  $\lambda \in (0,1)$ . Let

 $\Omega_1 = \{ u \in domL : Lu = \lambda Nu, \lambda \in (0,1) \}, \text{ If } u(t) = (u_1(t), u_2(t))^T \in \Omega_1, \text{ then } u(t)^T \in \Omega_1, \text$ 

$$\begin{cases} u_1''(t) = \varphi_q(u_2(t)) = |u_2(t)|^{q-2} u_2(t) \\ u_2''(t) = f(t, u_1(t), u_1'(t)) \\ u_1(0) = 0, \quad u_1(1) = au_1(\xi) \\ u_2(0) = 0, \quad u_2(1) = b^{p-1}u_2(\eta) \end{cases}$$

$$(6)$$

First we prove that there is a constant  $t_1, t_2 \in [0,1]$ , such that

$$\left|u_1'(t_1)\right| \le D \tag{7}$$

$$u_2(t_2) = 0 \tag{8}$$

In fact, by  $Lu = \lambda Nu$ , we get QNx = 0, thus  $\int_{0}^{1} \int_{\eta t}^{t} f(s, u_{1}(s), u_{1}'(s))) ds dt = 0$ , so, there are  $t_{1} \in [0,1]$ , such that  $f(t_{1}, u_{1}(t_{1}), u_{1}'(t_{1})) = 0$ , by  $(H_{1})$ , we get (7) set up.

On the other hand, by boundary conditions and functions  $u_1(t)$  is continuous in [0,1], we get

$$\xi_1 \in (0,\xi) \, \, \, \exists t \in (\xi,1) \, \, , \, \, \text{such that} \, \, \, au_1(\xi) - u_1(\xi) = (a-1)[u_1(\xi) - u_1(0)] = (1-\xi)u_1'(\xi_1) \, \, , \, \, (1-\xi)u_1'(\xi_1) \, \, , \, (1-\xi)u_1'(\xi_1) \, \, , \, \, (1-\xi)u_1'(\xi_1) \, \,$$

 $u_1(1) - u_1(\xi) = (1 - \xi)u_1'(\xi_2)$ ; there are  $u_1'(\xi_1) = u_1'(\xi_2)$ ,  $\xi_3 \in (\xi_1, \xi_2) \subset (0, 1)$ , such that  $u_1''(\xi_3) = 0$ ,

then  $u_2(\xi_3) = \varphi_p(u_1''(\xi_3)) = 0$ .by  $u_2(0) = 0$  and  $u_2(t)$  is continuous in [0,1], we gen (8) set up.

The second, by (6) and  $(H_2)$ , we get

$$\int_{0}^{1} \left| u_{2}''(t) \right| dt = \lambda \int_{0}^{1} \left| f(t, u_{1}(t), u_{1}'(t)) \right| dt 
\leq r_{1} \int_{0}^{1} \left| u_{1}(t) \right|^{p-1} dt + r_{2} \int_{0}^{1} \left| u_{1}'(t) \right|^{p-1} dt + r_{3} 
\leq r_{1} \left| u_{1} \right|_{0}^{p-1} + r_{2} \left| u_{1}' \right|_{0}^{p-1} + r_{3}$$
(9)

By (7)(8) and Hölder inequality, we have

$$\left|u_{1}\right|_{0} \leq \left|\int_{0}^{t} u_{1}'(s)ds\right| \leq \left|u_{1}'\right|_{0} \leq \left|u_{1}'(t_{1}) + \int_{t_{1}}^{t} u_{1}''(s)ds\right| \leq D + \int_{0}^{1} \left|u_{1}''(s)ds\right| \tag{10}$$

$$\left|u_{2}\right|_{0} \leq \left|\int_{0}^{t} u_{2}'(s)ds\right| \leq \left|u_{2}'\right|_{0} \leq \left|u_{2}'(t_{2}) + \int_{t_{2}}^{t} u_{2}''(s)ds\right| \leq \int_{0}^{1} \left|u_{2}''(s)\right| ds \tag{11}$$

By (6), we get 
$$\int_0^1 |u_1''(s)| ds = \lambda \int_0^1 |\varphi_q(u_2(t))| ds \le \varphi_q(|u_2|_0)$$
 (12)

Substitute equation (10-12) into equation (9), we get

$$\int_{0}^{1} \left| u_{2}^{"}(t) \right| dt \leq (r_{1} + r_{2})(D + \varphi_{q}(\left| u_{2} \right|_{0}))^{p-1} + r_{3} 
\leq C_{p}(r_{1} + r_{2})(D^{p-1} + \left| u_{2} \right|_{0}) + r_{3} 
\leq C_{p}(r_{1} + r_{2}) \int_{0}^{1} \left| u_{2}^{"}(t) \right| dt + r_{3}$$
(13)

by p > 1 and  $C_p(r_1 + r_2) + r_3 + r_4 < 1$  set up, The above formula indicates that there is a constant  $M_1 > 0$ , such that  $\int_0^1 \left| u_2''(t) \right| dt \le M_1$ 

so, 
$$\left|u_2\right|_0 \le \left|u_2'\right|_0 \le M_1$$
 (14)

$$\left|u_{1}\right|_{0} \leq \left|u_{1}'\right|_{0} \leq D + M_{1}^{q-1} := M_{2}$$
 (15)

Let  $\Omega = \left\{u \in U : \left\|u\right\|_{U} < \max\left\{M_{1}, M_{2}\right\} + 1\right\}$ , The lemma 1.1 condition (1) is satisfied. Without loss of generality, Assuming that  $\left|v\right| > D, t \in [0,1]$  and  $u \in R$ , vf(t,u,v) > 0 is set up. So let's prove that for  $u \in KerL \cap \partial \Omega$  有  $Nu \notin Im L$ . Otherwise, there are  $u_{0} = (c_{1}t, c_{2}t) \in KerL$  such that  $Nu_{0} = (\varphi_{q}(u_{2}), f(t, c_{1}t, c_{1}) \in Im L$ . That is  $QNu_{0} = 0$ , so  $\int_{0}^{1} \int_{\eta t}^{t} f(s, c_{1}s, c_{1}) ds dt = 0$ . According to the condition  $(H_{1})$ , we get  $\left|c_{1}\right| \leq D < M_{2}$ , That contradicts  $u_{0} \in \partial \Omega$ . Therefore, condition (2) in lemma 1.1 is also satisfied.

Let the mapping  $J: \operatorname{Im} Q \to KerL$  is  $J(c_1, c_2) = (c_1 t, c_2 t)$ , and

 $H(u,\mu) = \mu u + (1-\mu)JQN, \forall (u,\mu) \in \overline{\Omega} \times [0,1]; \text{ For } u \in (\partial \Omega \cap KerL) \times [0,1], \text{we have}$ 

$$H(u,\mu) = \begin{pmatrix} \mu c_1 t + \frac{2(1-\mu)}{1-\eta} \int_0^1 \int_{\eta t}^t f(s, c_1 s, c_1) ds dt \\ \mu c_2 t + \frac{2(1-\mu)}{1-\xi} \int_0^1 \int_{\xi t}^t \varphi_q(c_2 s) ds dt \end{pmatrix} \neq 0$$

So,  $\deg\{JQN, \Omega \cap KerL, 0\} = \deg\{H(0, u), \Omega \cap KerL, 0\}$ 

$$=\deg\left\{H(1,u),\Omega\cap KerL,0\right\}=\deg\left\{I,\Omega\cap KerL,0\right\}\neq0\;,$$

That is, condition (3) in lemma 1.1 is satisfied. According to lemma 1.1, there is a solution to equation (6) in  $\overline{\Omega} \cap domL \ u^*(t) = (u_1^*(t), u_2^*(t))^T$  so BVP (1) has a solution  $u_1^*(t)$ .

#### 3. Conclusion

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

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