

POSITIVE SOLUTIONS FOR A CLASS OF NONLINEAR SEMIPOSITONE NONLOCAL FRACTIONAL BOUNDARY VALUE PROBLEM WITH SINGULARITIES BOTH ON TIME AND SPACE VARIABLE

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Abstract. In this paper, an attempt has been made to establish the existence and multiplicity of positive solution for a class of nonlinear fractional differential equation subject to the Riemann-Stieltjes type boundary conditions by using different height function of the nonlinear term on special bounded sets by using Guo-Krasnosel'skii fixed point theorem of cone expansion-compression. The nonlinear term may change sign and may have singularity in the space variable. Finally, we have shown the importance of our results through examples.

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1 Introduction

We will investigate the existence of positive solution for the following fractional differential equation

$$D_{0+}^{\alpha} u(t) + \lambda g(t) f(t, u) = 0, \quad t \in (0, 1), \quad (1.1)$$

with the boundary conditions

$$u(0) = u'(0) = u''(0) = \dots = u^{(n-2)}(0) = 0, D_{0+}^{\beta} u(1) = \int_0^1 a(t) D_{0+}^{\beta} u(t) dA(t), \quad (1.2)$$

with $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, $\alpha \in (n-1, n]$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \geq 3$, $\beta \in (0, 1]$, $A : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a function of bounded variation, dA is a signed measure, $a \in C((0, 1), (0, \infty)) \cap L^1(0, 1)$ and $a(t)$ may have singularity at $t = 0$ and/or $t = 1$, the nonlinearity f may change sign and may be singular at $t = 0$ and/or $t = 1$ and also in the space variable $u = 0$, $g \in C((0, 1), [0, \infty))$ and may be singular at $t = 0$ and/or $t = 1$ and the parameter

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