

# Uniformly Stable Positive Monotonic Solution of a Nonlocal Cauchy Problem

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## ABSTRACT

In this paper, we study the existence of a uniformly stable positive monotonic solution for the nonlocal Cauchy problem  $x'(t) = f(t, x(t)), t \in [0, T]$  with the nonlocal condition  $\sum_{j=1}^m b_j x(\eta_j) = x_1$ , where  $\eta_j \in (0, a) \subset [0, T]$ .

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## 1. Introduction

Problems with non-local conditions have been extensively studied by several authors in the last two decades. The reader is referred to (see [1-14] and [15-18]) and references therein.

Here we are concerned with the nonlocal Cauchy problem

$$x'(t) = f(t, x(t)), t \in [0, T], \quad (1)$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^m b_j x(\eta_j) = x_1, \eta_j \in (0, a) \subset [0, T], \text{ and } \left( \sum_{j=1}^m b_j \right) \neq 0. \quad (2)$$

Let  $X$  be the class of all continuous functions defined on  $[0, T], T < \infty$  with the norm

$$\|x\| = \sup_{t \in [0, T]} |x(t)|, x \in X.$$

Let  $Y$  be the class of all continuous functions defined on  $[t_0, T], T < \infty$  with the equivalent norm

$$\|x\| = \sup_{t \in [0, T]} e^{-N(t-t_0)} |x(t)|, x \in Y,$$

where  $t_0 = \max\{\eta_j, j = 1, 2, \dots, m\}$ , and  $N$  is positive arbitrary.

Here we firstly study, in  $X$ , the local existence of the solution of the problem (1)-(2) and the continuous dependence of the parameter  $x$ , will be proved.

Secondly, we study, in  $Y$ , the global existence and Lyapunov uniform stability of the solution of the problem (1)-(2).

## 2. Integral Equation Representation

Consider the nonlocal Cauchy problem (1)-(2).

Let  $f : [0, T] \times \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  is continuous and satisfies the Lipschitz condition

$$|f(t, x) - f(t, y)| \leq k|x - y|, k > 0, \quad (3)$$

for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^+$

**Lemma 2.1.** The solution of the nonlocal Cauchy problem (1)-(2) can be expressed by the integral equation

$$x(t) = B \left( x_1 - \sum_{j=1}^m b_j \int_0^{\eta_j} f(s, x(s)) ds \right) + \int_0^t f(s, x(s)) ds, \quad (4)$$

where  $B = \left( \sum_{j=1}^m b_j \right)^{-1}$ .

**Proof.** Integrating the Equation (1), we obtain

$$x(t) = x(0) + \int_0^t f(s, x(s)) ds. \quad (5)$$

Let  $t = \eta_j$  in (5), we obtain

$$x(\eta_j) = x(0) + \int_0^{\eta_j} f(s, x(s)) ds, \quad (6)$$

and

$$\sum_{j=1}^m b_j x(\eta_j) = \sum_{j=1}^m b_j x(0) + \sum_{j=1}^m b_j \int_0^{\eta_j} f(s, x(s)) ds. \quad (7)$$

Substitute from (2) into (7), we obtain

$$x(0) = B \left( x_1 - \sum_{j=1}^m b_j \int_0^{\eta_j} f(s, x(s)) ds \right). \quad (8)$$

Substitute from (8) into (5), we obtain

$$x(t) = B \left( x_1 - \sum_{j=1}^m b_j \int_0^{\eta_j} f(s, x(s)) ds \right) + \int_0^t f(s, x(s)) ds.$$

**Corollary 2.1.** The solution of the integral Equation (4) is nondecreasing.

**Proof.** Let  $x$  be a solution of the integral Equation (4), then for  $t_1 < t_2$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} x(t_1) &= B \left\{ x_1 - \sum_{j=1}^m b_j \int_0^{\eta_j} f(s, x(s)) ds \right\} + \int_0^{t_1} f(s, x(s)) ds \\ &< B \left\{ x_1 - \sum_{j=1}^m b_j \int_0^{\eta_j} f(s, x(s)) ds \right\} + \int_0^{t_2} f(s, x(s)) ds \\ &= x(t_2), \end{aligned}$$

which proves that the solution  $x$  of the integral Equation (4) is nondecreasing.

**Corollary 2.2.** Let  $f$  be satisfies (3). The solution of the integral Equation (4) is positive for  $t \in [a, T]$ .

**Proof.** Let  $x$  be a solution of the integral Equation (4), and  $x_1 > 0$ , for  $t \in [a, T]$ , we have

$$\int_0^{\eta_j} f(s, x(s)) ds \leq \int_0^t f(s, x(s)) ds, \quad \eta_j < t$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} Tx(t) - Ty(t) &= -B \sum_{j=1}^m b_j \int_0^{\eta_j} f(s, x(s)) ds + \int_0^t f(s, x(s)) ds + B \sum_{j=1}^m b_j \int_0^{\eta_j} f(s, y(s)) ds - \int_0^t f(s, y(s)) ds \\ &= -B \sum_{j=1}^m b_j \int_0^{\eta_j} \{ f(s, x(s)) - f(s, y(s)) \} ds + \int_0^t \{ f(s, x(s)) - f(s, y(s)) \} ds, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |Tx(t) - Ty(t)| &\leq k |B| \sum_{j=1}^m |b_j| \int_0^{\eta_j} |x(s) - y(s)| ds + k \int_0^t |x(s) - y(s)| ds \\ &\leq k |B| \sum_{j=1}^m |b_j| \sup_{t \in I} |x(t) - y(t)| \int_0^{\eta_j} ds + k \sup_{t \in I} |x(t) - y(t)| \int_0^t ds \\ &\leq kT |B| \sum_{j=1}^m |b_j| \|x - y\| + kT \|x - y\| \leq kT \left( 1 + |B| \sum_{j=1}^m |b_j| \right) \|x - y\| \leq K \|x - y\| \end{aligned}$$

but if

$$K = kT \left( 1 + |B| \sum_{j=1}^m |b_j| \right) < 1,$$

then we get

$$\|Tx - Ty\| \leq K \|x - y\|,$$

which proves that the map  $T : C[0, T] \rightarrow C[0, T]$  is contraction.

Applying the Banach contraction fixed point theorem we deduce that the integral Equation (4) has a unique solution  $x \in C[0, T]$ .

To complete the proof, we prove that the integral

$$\sum_{j=1}^m b_j \int_0^{\eta_j} f(s, x(s)) ds \leq \sum_{j=1}^m b_j \int_0^t f(s, x(s)) ds.$$

Multiplying by  $B = \left( \sum_{j=1}^m b_j \right)^{-1}$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} B \sum_{j=1}^m b_j \int_0^{\eta_j} f(s, x(s)) ds &\leq B \sum_{j=1}^m b_j \int_0^t f(s, x(s)) ds \\ &= \int_0^t f(s, x(s)) ds \end{aligned}$$

and the solution  $x$  of the integral Equation (4) is positive for  $t \in [a, T]$ . This complete the proof. ■

### 3. Local Existence of Solution

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $f$  be satisfies the Lipschitz condition.

If  $T < k \left( 1 + |B| \sum_{j=1}^m |b_j| \right)^{-1}$  then the nonlocal Cauchy problem (1)-(2) has a unique nondecreasing positive solution.

**Proof.** Define the operator  $T : C[0, T] \rightarrow C[0, T]$  by

$$Tx(t) = B \left( x_1 - \sum_{j=1}^m b_j \int_0^{\eta_j} f(s, x(s)) ds \right) + \int_0^t f(s, x(s)) ds. \tag{9}$$

Let  $x, y \in C[0, T]$ , then

Equation (4) satisfies nonlocal problem (1)-(2).

Differentiating (4), we get

$$x'(t) = f(t, x(t)). \tag{10}$$

Let  $t = \eta_j$  in (4), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} x(\eta_j) &= B \left\{ x_1 - \sum_{j=1}^m b_j \int_0^{\eta_j} f(s, x(s)) ds \right\} \\ &\quad + \int_0^{\eta_j} f(s, x(s)) ds, \end{aligned}$$

then

$$\sum_{j=1}^m b_j x(\eta_j) = x_1.$$

This implies that there exist a unique nondecreasing positive solution  $x \in C[0, T]$  of the nonlocal Cauchy problem (1)-(2), This complete the proof. ■

### 4. Continuous Dependence of the Solution

Consider the nonlocal Cauchy problem

$$(\tilde{P}) \begin{cases} x'(t) = f(t, x(t)), t \in [0, T], \\ \sum_{j=1}^m b_j x(\eta_j) = \tilde{x}_1, \text{ and } \eta_j \in (0, a) \subset [0, T]. \end{cases}$$

**Definition 4.1.** The solution of the nonlocal Cauchy

$$x(t) - \tilde{x}(t) = B(x_1 - \tilde{x}_1) - B \sum_{j=1}^m b_j \int_0^{\eta_j} f(s, x(s)) ds + B \sum_{j=1}^m b_j \int_0^{\eta_j} f(s, \tilde{x}(s)) ds + \int_0^t \{f(s, x(s)) - f(s, \tilde{x}(s))\} ds$$

$$\begin{aligned} |x(t) - \tilde{x}(t)| &\leq |B| |x_1 - \tilde{x}_1| + |B| \sum_{j=1}^m |b_j| \int_0^{\eta_j} |f(s, x(s)) - f(s, \tilde{x}(s))| ds + \int_0^t |f(s, x(s)) - f(s, \tilde{x}(s))| ds \\ &\leq |B| |x_1 - \tilde{x}_1| + k |B| \sum_{j=1}^m |b_j| \sup_{t \in I} \int_0^{\eta_j} |x(s) - \tilde{x}(s)| ds + k \sup_{t \in I} \int_0^t |x(s) - \tilde{x}(s)| ds \\ &\leq |B| |x_1 - \tilde{x}_1| + k |B| \sum_{j=1}^m |b_j| \sup_{t \in I} |x(t) - \tilde{x}(t)| \int_0^{\eta_j} ds + k \sup_{t \in I} |x(t) - \tilde{x}(t)| \int_0^t ds \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|x - \tilde{x}\| &\leq |B| |x_1 - \tilde{x}_1| + kT |B| \sum_{j=1}^m |b_j| \|x - \tilde{x}\| + kT \|x - \tilde{x}\| \leq |B| |x_1 - \tilde{x}_1| + kT \left(1 + |B| \sum_{j=1}^m |b_j|\right) \|x - \tilde{x}\| \\ \left(1 - kT \left(1 + |B| \sum_{j=1}^m |b_j|\right)\right) \|x - \tilde{x}\| &\leq |B| |x_1 - \tilde{x}_1| \|x - \tilde{x}\| \leq \left(1 - kT \left(1 + |B| \sum_{j=1}^m |b_j|\right)\right)^{-1} |B| |x_1 - \tilde{x}_1|. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, for  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$|x_1 - \tilde{x}_1| < \delta(\varepsilon),$$

we can find

$$\varepsilon = \left(1 - kT \left(1 + |B| \sum_{j=1}^m |b_j|\right)\right)^{-1} |B| \delta$$

such that  $\|x - \tilde{x}\| \leq \varepsilon$ , which complete the proof theorem.

problem (1)-(2) continuously dependence on  $x_1$  if

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta(\varepsilon) > 0, \text{ such that } |x_1 - \tilde{x}_1| < \delta,$$

$$\text{then } |x(t) - \tilde{x}(t)| < \varepsilon$$

where  $\tilde{x}(t)$  is the solution of the nonlocal Cauchy problem  $\tilde{P}$ .

Now we have the following theorem

**Theorem 4.1.** The solution of the nonlocal Cauchy problem (1)-(2) continuously dependence on  $x_1$ .

**Proof.** Let  $x(t), \tilde{x}(t)$  are the solutions of (1)-(2) and  $\tilde{P}$  respectively.

Then we can get

### 5. Global Existence of Solution

**Theorem 5.1.** Let  $f$  be satisfies the Lipschitz condition, then the nonlocal Cauchy problem (1)-(2) has a unique nondecreasing positive solution.

**Proof.** Define the operator  $T : C[t_0, T] \rightarrow C[t_0, T]$  by the Equation (9).

Let  $x, y \in C[t_0, T]$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} Tx(t) - Ty(t) &= -B \sum_{j=1}^m b_j \int_0^{\eta_j} f(s, x(s)) ds + \int_0^t f(s, x(s)) ds + B \sum_{j=1}^m b_j \int_0^{\eta_j} f(s, y(s)) ds - \int_0^t f(s, y(s)) ds \\ &= -B \sum_{j=1}^m b_j \int_0^{\eta_j} \{f(s, x(s)) - f(s, y(s))\} ds + \int_0^t \{f(s, x(s)) - f(s, y(s))\} ds, \end{aligned}$$

$$|Tx(t) - Ty(t)| \leq k |B| \sum_{j=1}^m |b_j| \int_0^{\eta_j} |x(s) - y(s)| ds + k \int_0^t |x(s) - y(s)| ds$$

$$e^{-N(t-t_0)} |Tx(t) - Ty(t)| \leq k |B| \sum_{j=1}^m |b_j| e^{-N(t-t_0)} \int_0^{\eta_j} |x(s) - y(s)| ds + k e^{-N(t-t_0)} \int_0^t |x(s) - y(s)| ds$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 e^{-N(t-t_0)} |Tx(t) - Ty(t)| &\leq k |B| \sum_{j=1}^m |b_j| \int_0^{t_0} e^{-N(t-t_0)+N(s-t_0)} e^{-N(s-t_0)} |x(s) - y(s)| ds \\
 &\quad + k \int_0^t e^{-N(t-t_0)+N(s-t_0)} e^{-N(s-t_0)} |x(s) - y(s)| ds \\
 &\leq k |B| \sum_{j=1}^m |b_j| \|x - y\| \int_0^{t_0} e^{-N(t-s)} ds + k \|x - y\| \int_0^t e^{-N(t-s)} ds \\
 &\leq k |B| \sum_{k=1}^m |b_j| \|x - y\| \left\{ \frac{e^{-N(t-t_0)} - e^{-Nt}}{N} \right\} + k \|x - y\| \left\{ \frac{1 - e^{-Nt}}{N} \right\} \\
 &\leq \frac{k}{N} \left( |B| \sum_{j=1}^m |b_j| (e^{-N(t-t_0)} - e^{-Nt}) + (1 - e^{-Nt}) \right) \|x - y\| \leq \frac{k}{N} \left( |B| \sum_{j=1}^m |b_j| + 1 \right) \|x - y\|
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$K = \frac{k}{N} \left( |B| \sum_{j=1}^m |b_j| + 1 \right).$$

Choose  $N$  large enough such that  $K < 1$ , then

$$\|Tx - Ty\| \leq K \|x - y\|,$$

therefor the map  $T : C[t_0, T] \rightarrow C[t_0, T]$  is contraction.

Applying the Banach contraction fixed point theorem we deduce that the integral Equation (4) has a unique solution  $x \in C[t_0, T]$ .

To complete the proof, we prove that the integral Equation (4) satisfies nonlocal problem (1)-(2).

Differentiating (4), we get

$$x'(t) = f(t, x(t)). \tag{11}$$

Let  $t = \eta_j$  in (4), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 x(\eta_j) &= B \left\{ x_1 - \sum_{j=1}^m b_j \int_0^{\eta_j} f(s, x(s)) ds \right\} \\
 &\quad + \int_0^{\eta_j} f(s, x(s)) ds,
 \end{aligned}$$

then

$$\sum_{j=1}^m b_j x(\eta_j) = x_1.$$

$$x(t) - \tilde{x}(t) = B(x_1 - \tilde{x}_1) - B \sum_{j=1}^m b_j \int_0^{\eta_j} f(s, x(s)) ds + B \sum_{j=1}^m b_j \int_0^{\eta_j} f(s, \tilde{x}(s)) ds + \int_0^t \{ f(s, x(s)) - f(s, \tilde{x}(s)) \} ds$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 |x(t) - \tilde{x}(t)| &\leq |B| |x_1 - \tilde{x}_1| + |B| \sum_{j=1}^m |b_j| \int_0^{\eta_j} |f(s, x(s)) - f(s, \tilde{x}(s))| ds + \int_0^t |f(s, x(s)) - f(s, \tilde{x}(s))| ds \\
 &\leq |B| |x_1 - \tilde{x}_1| + k |B| \sum_{j=1}^m |b_j| \int_0^{t_0} |x(s) - \tilde{x}(s)| ds + k \int_0^t |x(s) - \tilde{x}(s)| ds
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 e^{-N(t-t_0)} |x(t) - \tilde{x}(t)| &\leq e^{-N(t-t_0)} |B| |x_1 - \tilde{x}_1| + k |B| \sum_{j=1}^m |b_j| \int_0^{t_0} e^{-N(t-t_0)+N(s-t_0)} e^{-N(s-t_0)} |x(s) - \tilde{x}(s)| ds \\
 &\quad + k \int_0^t e^{-N(t-t_0)+N(s-t_0)} e^{-N(s-t_0)} |x(s) - \tilde{x}(s)| ds
 \end{aligned}$$

This implies that there exist a unique nondecreasing positive solution  $x \in C[t_0, T]$  of the nonlocal Cauchy problem (1)-(2), This complete the proof. ■

### 6. Lyapunov Uniform Stability of the Solution

Consider here the nonlocal Cauchy problem

$$\begin{cases} x'(t) = f(t, x(t)), t \in [t_0, T], \\ (\tilde{P}) \sum_{j=1}^m b_j x(\eta_j) = \tilde{x}_1, \text{ and } \eta_j \in (0, a) \subset [t_0, T]. \end{cases}$$

**Definition 6.1.** The solution of the nonlocal Cauchy problem (1)-(2) is uniform stable, if  $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta(\varepsilon) > 0$ , such that

$$|x_1 - \tilde{x}_1| < \delta(\varepsilon), \text{ then } |x(t) - \tilde{x}(t)| < \varepsilon.$$

where  $\tilde{x}(t)$  is the solution of the nonlocal Cauchy problem  $\tilde{P}$ .

Now we have the following theorem

**Theorem 6.1.** The solution of the nonlocal Cauchy problem (1)-(2) is uniformly stable.

**Proof.** Let  $x(t), \tilde{x}(t)$  are the solutions of (1)-(2) and  $\tilde{P}$  respectively.

Then we can get

$$\begin{aligned}
\|x - \tilde{x}\| &\leq |B| |x_1 - \tilde{x}_1| + k |B| \sum_{j=1}^m |b_j| \|x - \tilde{x}\| \int_0^{t_0} e^{-N(t-s)} ds + k \|x - \tilde{x}\| \int_0^t e^{-N(t-s)} ds \\
&\leq |B| |x_1 - \tilde{x}_1| + k |B| \sum_{j=1}^m |b_j| \|x - \tilde{x}\| \left\{ \frac{e^{-N(t-t_0)} - e^{-Nt}}{N} \right\} + k \|x - \tilde{x}\| \left\{ \frac{1 - e^{-Nt}}{N} \right\} \\
&\leq |B| |x_1 - \tilde{x}_1| + \frac{k}{N} \left( |B| \sum_{j=1}^m |b_j| (e^{-N(t-t_0)} - e^{-Nt}) + (1 - e^{-Nt}) \right) \|x - \tilde{x}\| \\
&\leq |B| |x_1 - \tilde{x}_1| + \frac{k}{N} \left( |B| \sum_{j=1}^m |b_j| + 1 \right) \|x - \tilde{x}\| \\
\|x - \tilde{x}\| &\leq |B| \left[ 1 - \frac{k}{N} \left( |B| \sum_{j=1}^m |b_j| + 1 \right) \right]^{-1} |x_1 - \tilde{x}_1|
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $|x_1 - \tilde{x}_1| < \delta(\varepsilon) \Rightarrow \|x - \tilde{x}\| < \varepsilon$ , which complete the proof of theorem.

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