



# Solvability of Quadratic Integral Equations of Urysohn Type Involving Hadamard Variable-Order Operator

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## Abstract

This study investigates the existence of solutions to integral equations in the form of quadratic Urysohn type with Hadamard fractional variable order integral operator. Due to the lack of semigroup properties in variable-order fractional integrals, it becomes challenging to get the existence and uniqueness of corresponding integral equations, hence the problem is examined by employing the concepts of piecewise constant functions and generalized intervals to address this issue. In this context, the problem is reformulated as integral equations with constant orders to obtain the main results. Both the Schauder and Banach fixed point theorems are employed to prove the uniqueness results. In addition, an illustration is included in order to verify those results in the final step.

## 1. Introduction

As a subject of mathematical analysis, fractional calculus arose as a result of investigating the matter regarding whether it is feasible to employ the complex or real number powers for integral and differential operators. (see [1, 2]). Over the past three decades, the theory has led to numerous significant results in both pure and applied mathematics alongside other branches of sciences, for example: chemistry, signal and image processing, physics, control theory, biology, biophysics, economics etc. (see [3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]).

The arbitrary order of integral and differentiation whose order depends on a function of certain variables, which corresponds to a more complicated category, are known as variable-order operators. Following its introduction in 1993 by Samko and Ross [10], the concept of fractional variable-order (FVO) differential and integral operators, along with its basic features, have naturally garnered significant interest from numerous researchers. The investigation of fractional variable models is still in its early stages since addressing the variable fractional order is certainly tough to study in some cases, whose features like the semi-group property are separated from the associated characteristics of systems with conventional fractional orders. However, for recent developments on the theory of fractional variational calculus and numerical methods dealing with fractional problems of variable order see [11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19] and the references therein.

There have been very recent publications dealing with fractional equations of variable order coupled with auxiliary conditions from a qualitative perspective. For example, in [20], the authors examined the existence of solutions to a boundary value problem for a class of fractional equations of Riemann–Liouville (R-L) variable order with finite delay by employing the Darbo type fixed-point as well as Kuratowski measure of noncompactness. It has been considered in [21] for the first time a Caputo FVO initial value problem (IVP) under impulsive conditions, and the uniqueness and existence of solutions have been examined. Two fixed point theories were employed to show the main results. In [22], monotone iterative technique together with upper and lower solutions have been applied to IVP for linear homogeneous and non-homogeneous diffusion equations involving the conformable operator of variable order to show the existence and uniqueness properties. In [23], existence and uniqueness of a boundary value problem with variable order operators of Hadamard type have been examined with the aid of Schauder,

and Banach fixed point theorems and stability criteria have been obtained regarding Ulam–Hyers–Rassias(UHR). Suitable criteria ensuring the existence and uniqueness of a class of FVO Riemann-Liouville equations including fractional boundary conditions was discussed in [24] and suitable conditions providing the stability in the UHR sense were also established. For additional papers, one might consult the latest publications[25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30] and the associated references therein.

The study of integral equations is an essential component of nonlinear analysis and investigated by many scholars in view of their wide range of scientific applications [31, 32]. There have also been a number of studies that examine the existence of solutions of functional integral and integro-differential equations of fractional conventional order [33]. However, only a limited number of papers have discussed the existence of solutions to such problems involving FVO operators [34, 35, 36, 37, 38]. In this work, we study the quadratic integral equation of Urysohn type with fractional variable order (QIEUFVO)

$$u(t) = q(t) + (\Phi u)(t) \int_1^t \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega(t))} (\log \frac{t}{\sigma})^{\omega(t)-1} \xi(t, \sigma, u(\sigma)) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma}, \tag{1.1}$$

where  $t \in \Upsilon := [1, K]$ ,  $q \in C(\Upsilon, \mathbb{R})$ ,  $\xi : \Upsilon^2 \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is given function,  $1 < \omega(t) \leq 2$  and  $\Phi : C(\Upsilon, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow C(\Upsilon, \mathbb{R})$  is an appropriate operator.

In order to find the existence and uniqueness of (1.1), we employ the notions of generalized interval, partition and piece-wise constant functions, hence converting the equation to fractional integral equations of constant order.

### 2. Preliminaries

This section provides several concepts and results that will be required throughout the subsequent sections.

**Definition 2.1.** ([40], [23]) Let  $\omega(t) : \Upsilon \rightarrow (1, 2]$ , then the left Hadamard fractional integral of variable order (HFIVO) for function  $\psi$  is

$$({}^H I_{1+}^{\omega(t)} \psi)(t) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega(t))} \int_1^t (\log \frac{t}{\sigma})^{\omega(t)-1} \psi(\sigma) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma}, \quad t > 1, \tag{2.1}$$

As expected, when  $\omega(t)$  is constant, then HFIVO corresponds to the standard Hadamard fractional integral operator.

**Remark 2.2.** ([40], [41]) In the general case, the semi-group property is not satisfied for the Integral operator of variable order, i.e.

$${}^H I_{1+}^{\omega(t)} {}^H I_{1+}^{\nu(t)} \psi(t) \neq {}^H I_{1+}^{\omega(t)+\nu(t)} \psi(t).$$

**Lemma 2.3.** ([41]) Let  $\omega : \Upsilon \rightarrow (1, 2]$  be a continuous function, then for  $\psi \in C_{\sigma}(\Upsilon, \mathbb{R})$  where

$$C_{\sigma}(\Upsilon, \mathbb{R}) = \{ \psi(t) \in C(\Upsilon, \mathbb{R}), (\log t)^{\sigma} \psi(s) \in C(\Upsilon, \mathbb{R}), 0 \leq \sigma \leq 1 \},$$

the integral  ${}^H I_{1+}^{\omega(t)} \psi(t)$  exists for any  $t \in \Upsilon$ .

**Lemma 2.4.** ([41]) If  $\omega \in C(\Upsilon, (1, 2])$ , then  ${}^H I_{1+}^{\omega(t)} \psi(t) \in C(\Upsilon, \mathbb{R})$  for any  $\psi \in C(\Upsilon, \mathbb{R})$ .

**Theorem 2.5.** (Schauder Fixed Point Theorem) ([42]) Let  $\Lambda$  be a convex subset of Banach Space  $\Pi$  and  $\mathcal{F} : \Lambda \rightarrow \Lambda$  be completely continuous map, then  $\mathcal{F}$  has at least one fixed point in  $\Lambda$ .

### 3. Existence and uniqueness results

We first state the underlying presumption:

(H1) Let

$$\mathcal{P} = \{ \Upsilon_1 := [0, K_1], \Upsilon_2 := (K_1, K_2], \Upsilon_3 := (K_2, K_3] \dots \Upsilon_n := (K_{n-1}, K] \}$$

be a partition of the interval  $\Upsilon$  and let  $\omega(s) : \Upsilon \rightarrow (1, 2]$  be a piece-wise continuous function with respect to  $\mathcal{P}$ , i.e.,

$$\omega(t) = \sum_{\vartheta=1}^n \omega_{\vartheta} I_{\vartheta}(t) = \begin{cases} \omega_1, & \text{if } t \in \Upsilon_1, \\ \omega_2, & \text{if } t \in \Upsilon_2, \\ \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot \\ \omega_n, & \text{if } t \in \Upsilon_n, \end{cases}$$

where  $1 < \omega_{\vartheta} \leq 2$  are constants, and

$$I_{\vartheta}(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{for } t \in \Upsilon_{\vartheta}, \\ 0, & \text{for elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

The notion  $\Pi_{\vartheta} = C(\Upsilon_{\vartheta}, \mathbb{R})$  denotes the Banach space of continuous functions from  $\Upsilon_{\vartheta}$  into  $\mathbb{R}$  with the norm

$$\|u\|_{\Pi_{\vartheta}} = \sup_{t \in \Upsilon_{\vartheta}} |u(t)|, \vartheta \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}.$$

Then, for any  $t \in \Upsilon_{\vartheta}$ ,  $\vartheta = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , the (HFIVO) for function  $\xi(t, \sigma, u(\sigma)) \in C(\Upsilon^2 \times \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$ , defined by (2.1), might then be stated as

$${}^H I_{1+}^{\omega(t)} \xi(t, \sigma, u(t)) = \sum_{i=1}^{i=\vartheta-1} \int_{K_{i-1}}^{K_i} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_i)} (\log \frac{t}{\sigma})^{\omega_i-1} \xi(t, \sigma, u(\sigma)) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} + \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^t \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_{\vartheta})} (\log \frac{t}{\sigma})^{\omega_{\vartheta}-1} \xi(t, \sigma, u(\sigma)) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma}. \quad (3.1)$$

According to (3.1), for any  $t \in \Upsilon_{\vartheta}$ ,  $\vartheta \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , 1.1 can be stated in the following format:

$$u(t) = q(t) + (\Phi u)(t) \left( \sum_{i=1}^{i=\vartheta-1} \int_{K_{i-1}}^{K_i} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_i)} (\log \frac{t}{\sigma})^{\omega_i-1} \xi(t, \sigma, u(\sigma)) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} + \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^t \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_{\vartheta})} (\log \frac{t}{\sigma})^{\omega_{\vartheta}-1} \xi(t, \sigma, u(\sigma)) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \right). \quad (3.2)$$

Let  $u \in C(\Upsilon_{\vartheta}, \mathbb{R})$  be a solution of (3.2), such that  $u(t) \equiv 0$  on  $t \in [1, K_{\vartheta-1}]$ . Then (3.2) is reduced to

$$u(t) = q(t) + (\Phi u)(t) \left( \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^t \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_{\vartheta})} (\log \frac{t}{\sigma})^{\omega_{\vartheta}-1} \xi(t, \sigma, u(\sigma)) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \right), t \in \Upsilon_{\vartheta}. \quad (3.3)$$

We now impose the following assumptions:

**(H2)** There exists  $\varpi_{\vartheta} > 0$  such that

$$|(\Phi u)(t) - (\Phi \tilde{u})(t)| \leq \varpi_{\vartheta} |u(t) - \tilde{u}(t)|$$

for each  $u, \tilde{u} \in \Pi_{\vartheta}$  and  $t \in \Upsilon_{\vartheta}$ .

**(H3)** There are non-negative constants  $\eta$  and  $\gamma$  such that

$$|(\Phi u)(t)| \leq \eta + \gamma |u(t)|$$

for each  $u \in \Pi_{\vartheta}$  and  $t \in \Upsilon_{\vartheta}$ .

**(H4)** Let  $\xi : \Upsilon_{\vartheta}^2 \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous function and non-decreasing with respect to its three variables, separately, and there exists a constants  $0 \leq \sigma \leq 1, D_{\vartheta} > 0$  such that

$$(\log t)^{\sigma} |\xi(t, \sigma, u) - \xi(t, \sigma, \tilde{u})| \leq D_{\vartheta} |u - \tilde{u}|$$

for all  $(t, \sigma) \in \Upsilon_{\vartheta}^2$  and  $u, \tilde{u} \in \mathbb{R}$ .

**(H5)** There exists a continuous non-decreasing function  $g \in C(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R}_+)$  and  $\bar{h} \in C(\Upsilon, \mathbb{R}_+)$  and a constant  $0 \leq \sigma \leq 1$  such that for each  $(t, \sigma) \in \Upsilon_m^2$  and  $u \in \mathbb{R}$  we have

$$(\log t)^{\sigma} |\xi(t, \sigma, u)| \leq \bar{h}(\sigma) g(|u|),$$

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $\vartheta \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , suppose that hypotheses (H1) – (H5) hold, and there exists a constant  $r_{\vartheta}$ , such that

$$\frac{r_{\vartheta}}{q^* + \frac{(\log K_{\vartheta})^{1-\sigma} - (\log K_{\vartheta-1})^{1-\sigma}}{(1-\sigma)\Gamma(\omega_{\vartheta})} (\log \frac{K_{\vartheta}}{K_{\vartheta-1}})^{\omega_{\vartheta}-1} (\eta + \gamma r_{\vartheta}) g(r_{\vartheta}) \bar{h}^*} > 1, \quad (3.4)$$

where  $\bar{h}^* = \sup\{\bar{h}(\sigma) : \sigma \in \Upsilon_{\vartheta}\}$  and  $q^* = \sup\{q(t) : t \in \Upsilon_{\vartheta}\}$ .

Then, (3.3) has at least solution in  $\Pi_{\vartheta}$ .

*Proof.* Let the operator

$$S : \Pi_{\vartheta} \rightarrow \Pi_{\vartheta}$$

given by

$$(Su)(t) = q(t) + (\Phi u)(t) \left( \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^t \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_{\vartheta})} (\log \frac{t}{\sigma})^{\omega_{\vartheta}-1} \xi(t, \sigma, u(\sigma)) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \right).$$

Let the set

$$B_{r_{\vartheta}} = \{u \in \Pi_{\vartheta} : \|u\|_{\Pi_{\vartheta}} \leq r_{\vartheta}\}.$$

Clearly  $B_{r_{\vartheta}}$  is nonempty, convex, closed and bounded.

**Step 1:** Claim:  $S(B_{r_\vartheta}) \subseteq (B_{r_\vartheta})$ .

For  $u \in B_{r_\vartheta}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} |(Su)(t)| &\leq |q(t)| + |(\Phi u)(t)| \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^t \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} (\log \frac{t}{\sigma})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} |\xi(t, \sigma, u(\sigma))| \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \\ &\leq |q(t)| + (\eta + \gamma|u(t)|) \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^t \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} (\log \frac{t}{\sigma})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} (\log \sigma)^{-\sigma} \bar{h}(\sigma) g(|u(\sigma)|) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \\ &\leq |q(t)| + (\eta + \gamma|u(t)|) (\log \frac{K_\vartheta}{K_{\vartheta-1}})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^t \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} (\log \sigma)^{-\sigma} \bar{h}(\sigma) g(|u(\sigma)|) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \\ &\leq q^* + \frac{(\log K_\vartheta)^{1-\sigma} - (\log K_{\vartheta-1})^{1-\sigma}}{(1-\sigma)\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} (\log \frac{K_\vartheta}{K_{\vartheta-1}})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} (\eta + \gamma\|u\|_{\Pi_\vartheta}) g(\|u\|_{\Pi_\vartheta}) \bar{h}^* \\ &\leq r_\vartheta. \end{aligned}$$

**Step 2:** Claim:  $S$  is continuous.

Let  $(u_n)$  be a sequence such that  $u_n \rightarrow u$  in  $\Pi_\vartheta$  then

$$\begin{aligned} |(Su_n)(t) - (Su)(t)| &= \left| (\Phi u_n)(t) \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^t \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} (\log \frac{t}{\sigma})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} \xi(t, \sigma, u_n(\sigma)) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - (\Phi u)(t) \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^t \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} (\log \frac{t}{\sigma})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} \xi(t, \sigma, u(\sigma)) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \right| \\ &\leq \left| (\Phi u_n)(t) \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^t \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} (\log \frac{t}{\sigma})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} \xi(t, \sigma, u_n(\sigma)) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - (\Phi u_n)(t) \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^t \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} (\log \frac{t}{\sigma})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} \xi(t, \sigma, u(\sigma)) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \right| \\ &\quad + \left| (\Phi u_n)(t) \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^t \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} (\log \frac{t}{\sigma})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} \xi(t, \sigma, u(\sigma)) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - (\Phi u)(t) \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^t \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} (\log \frac{t}{\sigma})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} \xi(t, \sigma, u(\sigma)) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \right| \\ &\leq |(\Phi u_n)(t)| \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^t \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} (\log \frac{t}{\sigma})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} |\xi(t, \sigma, u_n(\sigma)) - \xi(t, \sigma, u(\sigma))| \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \\ &\quad + |(\Phi u_n)(t) - (\Phi u)(t)| \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^t \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} (\log \frac{t}{\sigma})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} |\xi(t, \sigma, u(\sigma))| \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \\ &\leq (\eta + \gamma|u_n(t)|) D_\vartheta \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^t \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} (\log \frac{t}{\sigma})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} (\log \sigma)^{-\sigma} |u_n(\sigma) - u(\sigma)| \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \\ &\quad + \varpi_\vartheta |u_n(\sigma) - u(\sigma)| \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^t \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} (\log \frac{t}{\sigma})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} (\log \sigma)^{-\sigma} \bar{h}(\sigma) g(|u(\sigma)|) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \\ &\leq \left[ \left( D_\vartheta (\eta + \gamma r_\vartheta) + \bar{h}^* \varpi_\vartheta g(r_\vartheta) \right) \frac{(\log K_\vartheta)^{1-\sigma} - (\log K_{\vartheta-1})^{1-\sigma}}{(1-\sigma)\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} (\log \frac{K_\vartheta}{K_{\vartheta-1}})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} \right] \|u_n - u\|_{\Pi_\vartheta} \end{aligned}$$

i.e., we obtain

$$\|(Su_n) - (Su)\|_{\Pi_\vartheta} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

As a consequence, the operator  $S$  is a continuous on  $\Pi_n$ .

**Step 3:** Claim:  $S$  is compact

Step 1 leads to the outcome  $\|S(u)\|_{\Pi_\vartheta} \leq r_\vartheta$  for each  $u \in B_{r_\vartheta}$ , yielding the boundedness of  $S(B_{r_\vartheta})$ . We shall now demonstrate the equicontinuity of  $S(B_{r_\vartheta})$ .

For  $t_1, t_2 \in \Upsilon_\vartheta$ ,  $t_1 < t_2$  and  $u \in B_{r_\vartheta}$ , estimate

$$\begin{aligned}
|(Su)(t_2) - (Su)(t_1)| &\leq |q(t_2) - q(t_1)| + \left| (\Phi u)(t_2) \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^{t_2} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} (\log \frac{t_2}{\sigma})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} \xi(t_2, \sigma, u(\sigma)) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \right. \\
&\quad \left. - (\Phi u)(t_1) \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^{t_1} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} (\log \frac{t_1}{\sigma})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} \xi(t_1, \sigma, u(\sigma)) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \right| \\
&\leq |q(t_2) - q(t_1)| + \left| (\Phi u)(t_2) \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^{t_2} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} (\log \frac{t_2}{\sigma})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} \xi(t_2, \sigma, u(\sigma)) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^{t_1} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} (\log \frac{t_1}{\sigma})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} \xi(t_1, \sigma, u(\sigma)) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \right| \\
&\quad + \left| \left( (\Phi u)(t_2) - (\Phi u)(t_1) \right) \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^{t_1} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} (\log \frac{t_1}{\sigma})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} \xi(t_1, \sigma, u(\sigma)) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \right| \\
&\leq |q(t_2) - q(t_1)| + \left| (\Phi u)(t_2) \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^{t_1} \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} (\log \frac{t_2}{\sigma})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} \xi(t_2, \sigma, u(\sigma)) \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. - \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} (\log \frac{t_1}{\sigma})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} \xi(t_1, \sigma, u(\sigma)) \right) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \right| \\
&\quad + \left| (\Phi u)(t_2) \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} (\log \frac{t_2}{\sigma})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} \xi(t_2, \sigma, u(\sigma)) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \right| \\
&\quad + \left| \left( (\Phi u)(t_2) - (\Phi u)(t_1) \right) \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^{t_1} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} (\log \frac{t_1}{\sigma})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} \xi(t_1, \sigma, u(\sigma)) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \right| \\
&\leq |q(t_2) - q(t_1)| + \left| (\Phi u)(t_2) \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^{t_1} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} (\log \frac{t_2}{\sigma})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} \left( \xi(t_2, \sigma, u(\sigma)) - \xi(t_1, \sigma, u(\sigma)) \right) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \right| \\
&\quad + \left| (\Phi u)(t_2) \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^{t_1} \frac{\xi(t_1, \sigma, u(\sigma))}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} \left( (\log \frac{t_2}{\sigma})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} - (\log \frac{t_1}{\sigma})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} \right) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \right| \\
&\quad + \left| (\Phi u)(t_2) \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} (\log \frac{t_2}{\sigma})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} \xi(t_2, \sigma, u(\sigma)) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \right| \\
&\quad + \left| \left( (\Phi u)(t_2) - (\Phi u)(t_1) \right) \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^{t_1} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} (\log \frac{t_1}{\sigma})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} \xi(t_1, \sigma, u(\sigma)) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \right| \\
&\leq |q(t_2) - q(t_1)| + |(\Phi u)(t_2)| \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^{t_2} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} (\log \frac{t_2}{\sigma})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} \left| \xi(t_2, \sigma, u(\sigma)) - \xi(t_1, \sigma, u(\sigma)) \right| \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \\
&\quad + |(\Phi u)(t_2)| \left| \xi(t_1, t_1, r_\vartheta) \right| \left| \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^{t_1} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} (\log \frac{t_2}{\sigma})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} - (\log \frac{t_1}{\sigma})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \right| \\
&\quad + |(\Phi u)(t_2)| \left| \xi(t_2, s_2, r_\vartheta) \right| \left| \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} (\log \frac{t_2}{\sigma})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \right| \\
&\quad + |(\Phi u)(t_2) - (\Phi u)(t_1)| \left| \xi(t_1, t_1, r_\vartheta) \right| \left| \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^{t_1} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} (\log \frac{t_1}{\sigma})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \right| \\
&\leq |q(t_2) - q(t_1)| + |(\Phi u)(t_2)| \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^{t_2} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} (\log \frac{t_2}{\sigma})^{\omega_\vartheta-1} \left| \xi(t_2, \sigma, u(\sigma)) - \xi(t_1, \sigma, u(\sigma)) \right| \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \\
&\quad + |(\Phi u)(t_2)| \frac{|\xi(t_1, t_1, r_\vartheta)|}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta + 1)} \left| (\log \frac{t_2}{t_1})^{\omega_\vartheta} - (\log \frac{t_2}{K_{\vartheta-1}})^{\omega_\vartheta} + (\log \frac{t_1}{K_{\vartheta-1}})^{\omega_\vartheta} \right| \\
&\quad + |(\Phi u)(t_2)| \frac{|\xi(t_2, t_2, r_\vartheta)|}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta + 1)} (\log \frac{t_2}{t_1})^{\omega_\vartheta} + |(\Phi u)(t_2) - (\Phi u)(t_1)| \frac{|\xi(t_1, t_1, r_\vartheta)|}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta + 1)} (\log \frac{t_1}{K_{\vartheta-1}})^{\omega_\vartheta}
\end{aligned}$$

Owing to (H4), we know that the function  $\xi(t, \sigma, u)$  is uniformly continuous on  $\Upsilon_\vartheta^2 \times B_{r_\vartheta}$ , then we have

$$\lim_{t_2 \rightarrow t_1} |\xi(t_2, \sigma, u(\sigma)) - \xi(t_1, \sigma, u(\sigma))| = 0$$

uniformly in  $\sigma \in \Upsilon_\vartheta$  and  $u \in B_{r_\vartheta}$ . Hence, we have

$$\left| \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^{t_2} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta)} \frac{\xi(t_2, \sigma, u(\sigma)) - \xi(t_1, \sigma, u(\sigma))}{(t_2 - \sigma)^{1-\omega_\vartheta}} d\sigma \right| \leq \sup_{\sigma \in \Upsilon_\vartheta, u \in B_{r_\vartheta}} \frac{(t_2 - K_{\vartheta-1})^{1-\omega_\vartheta}}{\Gamma(\omega_\vartheta + 1)} |\xi(t_2, \sigma, u(\sigma)) - \xi(t_1, \sigma, u(\sigma))| \rightarrow 0 \quad (3.5)$$

as  $t_2 \rightarrow t_1$ .

So,  $\|(Su)(t_2) - (Su)(t_1)\|_{\Pi_\vartheta} \rightarrow 0$  as  $|t_2 - t_1| \rightarrow 0$ . It confirms  $S(B_{r_\vartheta})$  is equicontinuous.

Thereby, considering Theorem 2.5, (3.3) has at least one solution  $\tilde{u}_\vartheta \in B_{r_\vartheta}$ .

□

The subsequent result regarding uniqueness relates to the Banach Contradiction Principle.

**Theorem 3.2.** Assume that given conditions in Theorem 3.1 hold, and moreover

$$\left( D_{\vartheta}(\eta + \gamma r_{\vartheta}) + \bar{h}^* \bar{\omega}_{\vartheta} g(r_{\vartheta}) \right) \frac{(\log K_{\vartheta})^{1-\sigma} - (\log K_{\vartheta-1})^{1-\sigma}}{(1-\sigma)\Gamma(\omega_{\vartheta})} \left( \log \frac{K_{\vartheta}}{K_{\vartheta-1}} \right)^{\omega_{\vartheta}-1} \leq 1. \tag{3.6}$$

is satisfied.

Then, (3.3) has a unique solution in  $\Pi_{\vartheta}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $u, \tilde{u} \in B_{r_{\vartheta}}$ , and  $t \in \Upsilon_{\vartheta}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & |(Su)(t) - (S\tilde{u})(t)| \\ &= \left| (\Phi u)(t) \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^t \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_{\vartheta})} \left( \log \frac{t}{\sigma} \right)^{\omega_{\vartheta}-1} \xi(t, \sigma, u(\sigma)) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} - (\Phi \tilde{u})(t) \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^t \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_{\vartheta})} \left( \log \frac{t}{\sigma} \right)^{\omega_{\vartheta}-1} \xi(t, \sigma, \tilde{u}(\sigma)) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \right| \\ &\leq \left| (\Phi u)(t) \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^t \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_{\vartheta})} \left( \log \frac{t}{\sigma} \right)^{\omega_{\vartheta}-1} \xi(t, \sigma, u(\sigma)) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} - (\Phi u)(t) \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^t \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_{\vartheta})} \left( \log \frac{t}{\sigma} \right)^{\omega_{\vartheta}-1} \xi(t, \sigma, \tilde{u}(\sigma)) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \right| \\ &+ \left| (\Phi u)(t) \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^t \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_{\vartheta})} \left( \log \frac{t}{\sigma} \right)^{\omega_{\vartheta}-1} \xi(t, \sigma, \tilde{u}(\sigma)) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} - (\Phi \tilde{u})(t) \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^t \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_{\vartheta})} \left( \log \frac{t}{\sigma} \right)^{\omega_{\vartheta}-1} \xi(t, \sigma, \tilde{u}(\sigma)) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \right| \\ &\leq |(\Phi u)(t)| \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^t \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_{\vartheta})} \left( \log \frac{t}{\sigma} \right)^{\omega_{\vartheta}-1} |\xi(t, \sigma, u(\sigma)) - \xi(t, \sigma, \tilde{u}(\sigma))| \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \\ &+ |(\Phi u)(t) - (\Phi \tilde{u})(t)| \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^t \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_{\vartheta})} \left( \log \frac{t}{\sigma} \right)^{\omega_{\vartheta}-1} |\xi(t, \sigma, \tilde{u}(\sigma))| \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \\ &\leq (\eta + \gamma |u(t)|) D_{\vartheta} \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^t \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_{\vartheta})} \left( \log \frac{t}{\sigma} \right)^{\omega_{\vartheta}-1} (\log \sigma)^{-\sigma} |z(\sigma) - \tilde{u}(\sigma)| \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \\ &+ \bar{\omega}_{\vartheta} |u(\sigma) - \tilde{u}(\sigma)| \int_{K_{\vartheta-1}}^t \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_{\vartheta})} \left( \log \frac{t}{\sigma} \right)^{\omega_{\vartheta}-1} (\log \sigma)^{-\sigma} \bar{h}(\sigma) g(|\tilde{u}(\sigma)|) \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \\ &\leq \left[ \left( D_{\vartheta}(\eta + \gamma r_{\vartheta}) + \bar{h}^* \bar{\omega}_{\vartheta} g(r_{\vartheta}) \right) \frac{(\log K_{\vartheta})^{1-\sigma} - (\log K_{\vartheta-1})^{1-\sigma}}{(1-\sigma)\Gamma(\omega_{\vartheta})} \left( \log \frac{K_{\vartheta}}{K_{\vartheta-1}} \right)^{\omega_{\vartheta}-1} \right] \|u - \tilde{u}\|_{\Pi_n} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\|(Su)(t) - (S\tilde{u})(t)\|_{\Pi_{\vartheta}} \leq \left[ \left( D_{\vartheta}(\eta + \gamma r_{\vartheta}) + \bar{h}^* \bar{\omega}_{\vartheta} g(r_{\vartheta}) \right) \frac{(\log K_{\vartheta})^{1-\sigma} - (\log K_{\vartheta-1})^{1-\sigma}}{(1-\sigma)\Gamma(\omega_{\vartheta})} \left( \log \frac{K_{\vartheta}}{K_{\vartheta-1}} \right)^{\omega_{\vartheta}-1} \right] \|u - \tilde{u}\|_{\Pi_{\vartheta}}$$

Thus, according to equation (3.6), the operator  $S$  is a contraction mapping. Therefore,  $S$  has a unique fixed point referring to the uniqueness of solution of (3.3). □

The subsequent result discusses uniqueness property of (1.1).

**Theorem 3.3.** Assume that hypotheses (H1) – (H5) and inequality (3.6) hold for all  $\vartheta \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ . Then, the problem (1.1) has a unique solution in  $C(\Upsilon, \mathcal{R})$ .

*Proof.* In light of the proof previously mentioned, we may conclude that (3.3) has a unique solution. Based on the above proofs, we know that (3.3) possesses a unique solution  $\tilde{u}_{\vartheta} \in \Pi_{\vartheta}$ ,  $\vartheta \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ . This is in accordance with Theorem 3.2.

Let us define the solution function for any  $\vartheta \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  as

$$u_{\vartheta} = \begin{cases} 0, & t \in [1, K_{\vartheta-1}], \\ \tilde{u}_{\vartheta}, & t \in \Upsilon_{\vartheta}, \end{cases} \tag{3.7}$$

Thus,  $u_{\vartheta} \in C([1, K_{\vartheta}], \mathbb{R})$  solves the integral equation (3.2) for  $t \in \Upsilon_{\vartheta}$ .

Then, the function

$$u(t) = \begin{cases} u_1(t), & t \in \Upsilon_1, \\ u_2(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & t \in \Upsilon_1, \\ \tilde{u}_2, & t \in \Upsilon_2 \end{cases} \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ u_n(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & t \in [1, K_{n-1}], \\ \tilde{u}_n, & t \in \Upsilon_n \end{cases} \end{cases} .$$

is a unique solution of (1.1) in  $C(\Upsilon, \mathcal{R})$ . □

#### 4. Example

We shall examine the following problem

$$u(t) = \frac{1}{e^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{t+2}}}} + \frac{|u(t)|}{1+|u(t)|} \int_1^t \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega(t))} (\log \frac{t}{\sigma})^{\omega(t)-1} \frac{(\log t)^{-\frac{1}{10}}}{t+2} \frac{u(\sigma)}{\sigma+10} \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma}, \quad t \in \Upsilon := [1, e], \quad (4.1)$$

where

$$\omega(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{3}{2}, & t \in \Upsilon_1 := [1, 2], \\ \frac{6}{5}, & t \in \Upsilon_2 := ]2, e]. \end{cases} \quad (4.2)$$

Let

$$\begin{aligned} K_0 &= 1, \quad K_1 = 2, \quad K_2 = K = e, \\ q(t) &= \frac{1}{e^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{t+2}}}}, \quad t \in \Upsilon \\ (\Phi u)(t) &= \frac{u(t)}{1+u(t)}, \quad t \in \Upsilon \text{ and } u \in C(\Upsilon, \mathbb{R}_+), \\ \xi(t, \sigma, u) &= \frac{(\log t)^{-\frac{1}{10}}}{t+2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sigma+10} u, \quad (t, \sigma, u) \in \Upsilon^2 \times \mathbb{R}_+, \end{aligned}$$

and  $u \in C(\Upsilon, \mathbb{R}_+)$ . It is clear that (4.1) can be written as (1.1).

By using (4.2), according to (3.3) we take into consideration the subsequent auxiliary equations:

$$u(t) = \frac{1}{e^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{t+2}}}} + \frac{|u(t)|}{1+|u(t)|} \int_1^t \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_1)} (\log \frac{t}{\sigma})^{\omega_1-1} \frac{(\log t)^{-\frac{1}{10}}}{t+2} \frac{u(\sigma)}{\sigma+10} \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma}, \quad t \in \Upsilon_1, \quad (4.3)$$

and

$$u(t) = \frac{1}{e^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{t+2}}}} + \frac{|u(t)|}{1+|u(t)|} \int_1^t \frac{1}{\Gamma(\omega_2)} (\log \frac{t}{\sigma})^{\omega_2-1} \frac{(\log t)^{-\frac{1}{10}}}{t+2} \frac{u(\sigma)}{\sigma+10} \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma}, \quad t \in \Upsilon_2. \quad (4.4)$$

Let us show that conditions (H1) – (H5) and inequalities (3.4), (3.6) hold.

For  $\vartheta = 1$ , we have

$$|(\Phi u)(t) - (\Phi \tilde{u})(t)| = \left| \frac{u(t)}{1+u(t)} - \frac{\tilde{u}(t)}{1+\tilde{u}(t)} \right| = \left| \frac{u(t) - \tilde{u}(t)}{(1+u(t))(1+\tilde{u}(t))} \right| \leq \frac{1}{2} |u(t) - \tilde{u}(t)|.$$

It is obvious that (H2) is satisfied with  $\varpi_1 = \frac{1}{2}$ . for each  $u, \tilde{u} \in \Pi_1$  and  $t \in \Upsilon_1$ .

$$|(\Phi u)(t)| = \left| \frac{u(t)}{1+u(t)} \right| \leq |u(t)|$$

Moreover (H3) holds with  $\eta = 0$  and  $\gamma = 1$ . for each  $u \in \Pi_1$  and  $t \in \Upsilon_1$ .

$$(\log t)^{\frac{1}{10}} |\xi(t, \sigma, u) - \xi(t, \sigma, \tilde{u})| = \left| \frac{1}{t+2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sigma+10} u - \frac{1}{t+2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sigma+10} \tilde{u} \right| = \frac{1}{t+2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sigma+10} |u - \tilde{u}| \leq \frac{1}{33} |z - \tilde{u}|$$

Hence, (H4) is satisfied with  $\sigma = \frac{1}{10}$  and  $D_1 = \frac{1}{33}$ . for all  $(t, \sigma) \in \Upsilon_1^2$  and  $u, \tilde{u} \in \Pi_1$ .

$$(\log t)^{\frac{1}{10}} |\xi(t, \sigma, u)| = \frac{1}{t+2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sigma+10} \cdot |u| \leq \bar{h}(\sigma) g(|u|),$$

Then, (H5) holds with  $\sigma = \frac{1}{10}$ ,  $g(|u|) = |u|$  and  $\bar{h}(\sigma) = \frac{1}{3(\sigma+10)}$  which means that  $\bar{h}^* = \frac{1}{33}$ , and the inequality

$$\frac{r_1}{q^* + \frac{(\log K_1)^{1-\sigma} - (\log K_0)^{1-\sigma}}{(1-\sigma)\Gamma(\omega_1)} (\log \frac{K_1}{K_0})^{\omega_1-1} (\eta + \gamma r_1) g(r_1) \bar{h}^*} > 1,$$

is satisfied for each  $r_1 \in (0.2533, 43.8014)$  which means that condition (3.4) holds, and the inequality

$$\left( D_1 (\eta + \gamma r_1) + \bar{h}^* \varpi_1 g(r_1) \right) \frac{(\log K_1)^{1-\sigma} - (\log K_0)^{1-\sigma}}{(1-\sigma)\Gamma(\omega_1)} (\log \frac{K_1}{K_0})^{\omega_1-1} \leq 1,$$

is satisfied for each  $r_1 \in (0, > 29.3685)$  which means that condition (3.6) holds. Consequently, by Theorem 3.2, (4.3) has a unique solution  $\tilde{u}_1$  in  $\Pi_1$ .

For  $\vartheta = 2$ , we have

$$|(\Phi u)(t) - (\Phi \tilde{u})(t)| = \left| \frac{u(t)}{1+u(t)} - \frac{\tilde{u}(t)}{1+\tilde{u}(t)} \right| = \left| \frac{u(t) - \tilde{u}(t)}{(1+u(t))(1+\tilde{u}(t))} \right| \leq \frac{1}{2} |u(t) - \tilde{u}(t)|$$

Then, (H2) is satisfied with  $\varpi_2 = \frac{1}{2}$ . for each  $u, \tilde{u} \in \Pi_2$  and  $t \in \Upsilon_2$ .

$$|(\Phi u)(t)| = \left| \frac{u(t)}{1+u(t)} \right| \leq |u(t)|$$

Then, (H3) holds with  $\eta = 0$  and  $\gamma = 1$ . for each  $u \in \Pi_2$  and  $t \in \Upsilon_2$ .

$$(\log t)^{\frac{1}{10}} |\xi(t, \sigma, u) - \xi(t, \sigma, \tilde{u})| = \left| \frac{1}{t+2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sigma+10} \cdot u - \frac{1}{t+2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sigma+10} \cdot \tilde{u} \right| = \frac{1}{t+2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sigma+10} |u - \tilde{u}| \leq \frac{1}{48} |u - \tilde{u}|$$

Hence, (H4) is satisfied with  $\sigma = \frac{1}{10}$  and  $D_2 = \frac{1}{48}$ . for all  $(t, \sigma) \in \Upsilon_2^2$  and  $u, \tilde{u} \in \Pi_2$ .

$$(\log t)^{\frac{1}{10}} |\xi(t, \sigma, u)| = \frac{1}{t+2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sigma+10} \cdot |u| \leq \bar{h}(\sigma)g(|u|),$$

Then, (H5) holds with  $\sigma = \frac{1}{10}$ ,  $g(|u|) = |u|$  and  $\bar{h}(\sigma) = \frac{1}{4(\sigma+10)}$ ,  $\bar{h}^* = \frac{1}{48}$ , and the inequality

$$\frac{r_2}{q^* + \frac{(\log K_2)^{1-\sigma} - (\log K_1)^{1-\sigma}}{(1-\sigma)\Gamma(\omega_2)} (\log \frac{K_2}{K_1})^{\omega_2-1} (\eta + \gamma r_2)g(r_2)\bar{h}^*} > 1,$$

is satisfied for each  $r_2 \in (0.2589, 178.3125)$  which means that condition (3.4) holds, and the inequality

$$\left( D_2(\eta + \gamma r_2) + \bar{h}^* \varpi_2 g(r_2) \right) \frac{(\log K_2)^{1-\sigma} - (\log K_1)^{1-\sigma}}{(1-\sigma)\Gamma(\omega_2)} (\log \frac{K_2}{K_1})^{\omega_2-1} \leq 1,$$

is satisfied for each  $r_2 \in (0, 119.0476)$  which implies that condition (3.6) holds.

Consequently, by Theorem 3.2, (4.4) has a unique solution  $\tilde{u}_2$  in  $\Pi_2$ .

Then, according to Theorem 3.3, problem (4.1) has a unique solution

$$u(t) = \begin{cases} \tilde{u}_1(t), & t \in \Upsilon_1, \\ u_2(t), & t \in \Upsilon_2. \end{cases}$$

where

$$u_2(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & t \in [1, K_1], \\ \tilde{u}_2, & t \in \Upsilon_2, \end{cases}$$

### 5. Conclusion

In this work, we deal with integral equations in the form of quadratic Urysohn type involving Hadamard fractional variable order integral operator. A thorough study and an effective mathematical framework for fractional calculus of variable order has been presented recently. The literature contains surveys of the sorts of variable-order derivatives and integrals, along with some physical applications. Regrettably, when applied to variables of order, this attribute does not possess the semi-group property. Because of this, we are unable to simply transform the FVO differential equations into a corresponding integral equation, unlike with constant-order fractional equations. Based on our understanding of this challenge, we have utilized piece-wise constant functions to establish existence and uniqueness results. In the final stage, we apply the results of our method by constructing a numerical example.

As a future study, these findings on the Urysohn integral equation could be applied to other spaces, such as Frechet space combined with different fractional integral operators.

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