

## MILD SOLUTIONS FOR NEUTRAL CONFORMABLE FRACTIONAL ORDER FUNCTIONAL EVOLUTION EQUATIONS USING MEIR-KEELER TYPE FIXED POINT THEOREM

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*Our mission is to demonstrate the existence, uniqueness, attractiveness, and controllability of mild solutions to neutral conformable fractional-order functional evolution equations, specifically of order between 1 and 2. These intriguing equations encompass finite delay, all while adhering to local conditions within a separable Banach space. By invoking Meir-Keeler's fixed-point Theorem and enhancing it with measures of noncompactness, we establish the existence of these solutions. To highlight the potency of our approach, we present a captivating example.*

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### 1. Introduction

This paper establishes criteria for the existence, uniqueness, attractivity, and controllability of mild solutions to conformable fractional-order neutral functional evolution equations with finite delay. The analysis is conducted within the framework of a separable Banach space, where the completeness of the space and local conditions are leveraged to prove the existence of a unique mild solution, forming the cornerstone of our study.

The conformable derivative, introduced by Khalil et al. [29], has advanced fractional calculus beyond classical definitions [33, 30] and enabled diverse applications (see eg. [9, 11]). Recent work has extended this framework to complex settings: Liang et al. [32] and Bouaouid et al. [21, 20] studied impulsive differential equations using semigroup theory, while Bouaouid et al. [12, 8] and Atraoui et al. [13] applied fixed-point theorems to prove existence and controllability. Further contributions by Baghli et al. [14] and Agarwal et al. [7] extended this approach to controllability, also, see [1, 16, 17, 18, 19, 4, 5, 6, 26, 31, 34]. Researchers have also utilized measures of noncompactness to address solution existence challenges across various contexts (see eg. [10, 15, 27]).

Firstly, we study in Section 3 the conformable fractional order functional evolution equations with local conditions of the form:

$$D^c[D^c(\psi(s) - \mathcal{Y}(s, \psi_s))] = \mathfrak{F}(\psi(s) - \mathcal{Y}(s, \psi_s)) + \Psi(s, \psi_s), \quad \text{a.e. } s \in I := [0, +\infty); \quad (1)$$

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$$\psi(s) = \eta(s), \quad s \in \mathcal{H} := [-b, 0], \text{ where } 0 < b < +\infty, \quad D^c\psi(0) = \vartheta \in \mathcal{D}; \quad (2)$$

Let  $\Psi$  and  $\mathcal{Y}: I \times C([-b, 0], \mathcal{D}) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  denote given functions,  $\eta: [-b, 0] \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  represent a continuous function,  $\mathfrak{P}: D(\mathfrak{P}) \subset \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  serves as the infinitesimal generator of a strongly continuous cosine function, represented by a family of bounded linear operators  $(\mathfrak{C}(s))_{s \in \mathbb{R}}$ . This elegant framework ensures that  $\mathfrak{S}(s) = \int_0^s \mathfrak{C}(x)dx$ , weaving a seamless integration of the operators over the real line, and  $\mathcal{D}$  denote a real separable Banach space equipped with norm  $|\cdot|$ , while  $D^c$  represents a fractional conformable derivative of order  $0 < c \leq 1$ .

Let  $\psi_s$  denote, for all  $s \geq 0$ , the function in  $C([-b, 0], \mathcal{D})$  defined as  $\psi_s(\theta) = \psi(s + \theta)$ . Here,  $\psi_s(\cdot)$  captures the state history from  $s - b$  up to the current time  $s$ . Additionally, we will explore the attractiveness of mild solutions to conformable fractional-order functional evolution equations subject to local conditions (1)–(2). Moreover, we will delineate adequate conditions to guarantee the controllability of mild solutions across the semi-infinite interval  $I = [0, +\infty)$  for conformable fractional-order functional evolution equations characterized by the following conditions

$$D^c[D^c(\psi(s) - \mathcal{Y}(s, \psi_s))] = \mathfrak{P}(\psi(s) - \mathcal{Y}(s, \psi_s)) + \Psi(s, \psi_s) + \mathcal{B}\mathcal{U}(s); \quad (3)$$

$$\psi(s) = \eta(s), \quad s \in \mathcal{H}, \quad D^c\psi(0) = \vartheta \in \mathcal{D}; \quad (4)$$

where  $\mathfrak{P}$ ,  $\Psi$ ,  $\mathcal{Y}$ , and  $\eta$  are defined as in problem (1)–(2), the control function  $\mathcal{U}(\cdot)$  is provided in  $L^2(I, \mathcal{D})$ , representing the Banach space of admissible control functions, and  $\mathcal{B}$  stands as a bounded linear operator mapping from  $\mathcal{D}$  to  $\mathcal{D}$ .

Ultimately, we furnish an illustrative example demonstrating the abstract theory expounded in the preceding results.

## 2. Introductory concepts

In this part, we present symbols, explanations, and fundamental principles drawn from multivalued analysis.

The notation  $BC(I, \mathcal{D})$  represents the Banach space comprising all functions that are both bounded and continuous from  $I$  to  $\mathcal{D}$ , where the norm is defined as:  $\|\psi\|_{BC} = \sup\{|\psi(s)| : s \in I\}$ .

Consider the space  $BC_\infty$  defined as  $\{\psi : [-b, +\infty) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}, \psi|_{[0, s]}$  is bounded and continuous for  $s > 0\}$ , with the norm:  $\|\psi\|_{BC_\infty} = \sup\{|\psi(s)| : s \in [0, T]\}$ , here  $T = \sup\{s > 0 : \psi|_{[0, s]}$  is bounded and continuous $\}$ .

**Definition 2.1.** (Khalil et al. [29]) The conformable fractional derivative of order  $0 < c \leq 1$  for a function  $\psi(\cdot)$  is defined as

$$D^c\psi(s) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\psi(s + ts^{1-c}) - \psi(s)}{t}, \quad s > 0;$$

$$D^c\psi(0) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} D^c\psi(t),$$

**Definition 2.2.** (see eg. [10, 15, 27]) Let  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{D}}$  the bounded subsets of  $\mathcal{D}$  so the map  $\mathfrak{A} : \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{D}} \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$  denotes the Kuratowski measure of noncompactness which is given by

$$\mathfrak{A}(\mathcal{F}) = \inf\{\alpha > 0 : \mathcal{F} \subseteq \bigcup_{j=1}^k \mathcal{F}_j \text{ and } \text{diam}(\mathcal{F}_j) \leq \alpha\}, \text{ here } \mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{D}}.$$

**Definition 2.3.** Let's say we have a nonempty subset  $\mathcal{F}$  within the Banach space  $\mathcal{D}$ , and consider any arbitrary measure of noncompactness  $\mathfrak{A}$  defined on  $\mathcal{D}$ . We define  $\mathfrak{M} : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  as a Meir-Keeler condensing operator if it meets the following criteria:  $\mathfrak{M}$  is both continuous and bounded, and for any given  $\beta > 0$ , there exists  $\mu > 0$  such that if  $\beta < \mathfrak{A}(\mathcal{R}) < \beta + \mu$ , then  $\mathfrak{A}(\mathfrak{M}(\mathcal{R})) \leq \beta$  holds true for every bounded subset  $\mathcal{R}$  of  $\mathcal{F}$ .

**Lemma 2.1.** (see [25]) Consider  $\mathcal{D}$  as a Banach space, and let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a subset of  $C(I, \mathcal{D})$  that is both bounded and equicontinuous. Then, the function  $\mathfrak{A}(\mathcal{F}(s))$  remains continuous over the interval  $I$ , and  $\mathfrak{A}_I(\mathcal{F})$  equals the maximum value of  $\mathfrak{A}(\mathcal{F}(s))$  for  $s$  in  $I$ .

**Theorem 2.1.** (Meir-Keeler's Theorem [8]) Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a nonempty, bounded, closed, and convex subset of a Banach space  $\mathcal{D}$ . If  $\mathfrak{M} : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$  is a continuous Meir-Keeler condensing operator, then  $\mathfrak{M}$  guarantees at least one fixed point, and the collection of all such fixed points within  $\mathcal{F}$  forms a compact set.

**Definition 2.4.** (see [23]) We characterize solutions of Equations (1) – (2) as locally attractive if there exists a closed ball  $\overline{B}(\psi^*, \sigma)$  within the space  $BC$ , where  $\psi^* \in BC$ , such that for any solutions  $\psi$  and  $\tilde{\psi}$  of Equations (1) – (2) within  $\overline{B}(\psi^*, \sigma)$ , the following convergence occurs:  $\lim_{s \rightarrow +\infty} (\psi(s) - \tilde{\psi}(s)) = 0$ .

### 3. Existence results

In this section, we reveal our main findings regarding the existence of solutions to problems (1) – (2). Before presenting and verifying this result, we introduce the notion of its mild solution.

**Definition 3.1.** We define the mild solution  $\psi \in C([-b, +\infty), \mathcal{D})$  of the problem (1) – (2) as follows

$$\psi(s) = \begin{cases} \eta(s), & \text{if } s \in \mathcal{H}; \\ \mathfrak{C}\left(\frac{s^c}{c}\right) [\eta(0) - \mathfrak{Y}(0, \eta(0))] + \mathfrak{S}\left(\frac{s^c}{c}\right) \vartheta + \mathfrak{Y}(s, \psi_s) \\ + \int_0^s t^{c-1} \mathfrak{S}\left(\frac{s^c-t^c}{c}\right) \Psi(t, \psi_t) dt, & \text{if } s \in I; \end{cases}$$

We must introduce the following hypotheses, which will be utilized subsequently:

- (i) The function  $\Psi : I \times C(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{D}) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  is carathéodory function and there exist a continuous function  $\mathcal{O} : I \rightarrow I$  such that

$$|\Psi(s, u)| \leq \mathcal{O}(s) \|u\|,$$

$$\mathfrak{A}(\Psi(s, \mathcal{F})) \leq \mathcal{O}(s) \mathfrak{A}(\mathcal{F}),$$

and  $\mathcal{O}^* := \sup_{s \in I} \int_0^s t^{c-1} \mathcal{O}(t) dt < \infty$ , for all  $s \in I$ ,  $u \in C(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{D})$ , bounded set  $\mathcal{F} \subset C([-b, +\infty), \mathcal{D})$  and  $0 < c \leq 1$ ;

- (ii) The cosine operator  $\mathfrak{C}(s)_{s \in \mathbb{R}}$  is uniformly continuous and there exist constants  $\mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{C}}$ ,  $\mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}}$  both greater than zero, such that

$$\sup_{s \in I} \|\mathfrak{C}\left(\frac{s^c}{c}\right)\| \leq \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{C}} \text{ and } \sup_{s \in I} \|\mathfrak{S}\left(\frac{s^c}{c}\right)\| \leq \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}}.$$

- (iii) The function  $\mathfrak{Y} : I \times C([-b, 0], \mathcal{D}) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  is carathéodory function and there exist  $\mathfrak{Y}^* > 0$  such that

$$|\mathfrak{Y}(s, u)| \leq \mathfrak{Y}^* \|u\|,$$

$$\mathfrak{A}(\mathfrak{Y}(s, \mathcal{F})) \leq \mathfrak{Y}^* \mathfrak{A}(\mathcal{F}),$$

$\{s \mapsto \mathfrak{Y}(s, u), u \in \mathcal{F}\}$  is equicontinuous on each compact interval of  $I$ ,

for all  $s \in I$ ,  $u \in C(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{D})$ , bounded set  $\mathcal{F} \subset C([-b, +\infty), \mathcal{D})$ .

**Theorem 3.1.** Given assumptions (i) – (iii), if  $\mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}} \mathcal{O}^* + \mathfrak{Y}^* < 1$ , then problem (1) – (2) admits at least one mild solution over  $BC$ .

**Proof.** We initiate the transformation of problem (1) – (2) into a fixed-point problem. Let's examine the operator  $\mathfrak{M} : BC([-b, +\infty), \mathcal{D}) \rightarrow BC([-b, +\infty), \mathcal{D})$ , which is delineated as follows:

$$\mathfrak{M}(\psi)(s) = \begin{cases} \eta(s), & \text{if } s \in [-b, 0]; \\ \mathfrak{C}\left(\frac{s^c}{c}\right) [\eta(0) - \mathfrak{Y}(0, \eta(0))] + \mathfrak{S}\left(\frac{s^c}{c}\right) \vartheta + \mathfrak{Y}(s, \psi_s) \\ + \int_0^s t^{c-1} \mathfrak{S}\left(\frac{s^c-t^c}{c}\right) \Psi(t, \psi_t) dt, & \text{if } s \in I; \end{cases}$$

The operator  $\mathfrak{M}$  maps  $BC$  into  $BC$ . Specifically, for  $\psi \in BC$  and for any  $s \in I$  we have:

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathfrak{M}(\psi)(s)| &\leq \|\mathfrak{C}\left(\frac{s^c}{c}\right)\| |\eta(0) + \mathfrak{Y}(0, \eta(0))| + \|\mathfrak{S}\left(\frac{s^c}{c}\right)\| \|\vartheta\| + |\mathfrak{Y}(s, \psi_s)| \\ &\quad + \int_0^s t^{c-1} \|\mathfrak{S}\left(\frac{s^c-t^c}{c}\right)\| |\Psi(t, \psi_t)| dt \\ &\leq \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{C}} \|\eta\| (1 + \mathfrak{Y}^*) + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}} \|\vartheta\| + (\mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}} \mathcal{O}^* + \mathfrak{Y}^*) \|\psi\|_{BC}. \end{aligned}$$

which imply  $\mathfrak{M} \in BC$ .

Furthermore, suppose  $l \geq \frac{\mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{C}} \|\eta\| (1 + \mathfrak{Y}^*) + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}} \|\vartheta\|}{1 - (\mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}} \mathcal{O}^* + \mathfrak{Y}^*)}$ , and let  $B_l$  denote the closed ball in  $BC$  centered at the origin with radius  $l$ . consider  $\psi \in B_l$  and  $s \in I$ , we get

$$|\mathfrak{M}(\psi)(s)| \leq \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{C}} \|\eta\| (1 + \mathfrak{Y}^*) + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}} \|\vartheta\| + (\mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}} \mathcal{O}^* + \mathfrak{Y}^*) l$$

Thus,  $\|\mathfrak{M}(\psi)\|_{BC} \leq l$ .

Now we prove that  $\mathfrak{M} : B_l \rightarrow B_l$  satisfies the assumptions of Meir-Keeler's fixed point Theorem.

Firstly, we establish that  $\mathfrak{M}$  exhibits continuity within  $B_l$ . Let  $\{\psi_n\}$  be a sequence such that  $\psi_n \rightarrow \psi$  in  $B_l$ . We have

$$|\mathfrak{M}(\psi_n)(s) - \mathfrak{M}(\psi)(s)| \leq |\mathfrak{Y}(s, (\psi_s)_n) - \mathfrak{Y}(s, \psi_s)| + \mathcal{M}_c \int_0^s t^{c-1} |\Psi(t, (\psi_t)_n) - \Psi(t, \psi_t)| dt$$

and by (i) and (iii) we get  $\Psi(t, (\psi_t)_n) \rightarrow \Psi(t, \psi_t)$  and  $\mathfrak{Y}(t, (\psi_t)_n) \rightarrow \mathfrak{Y}(t, \psi_t)$  as  $n \rightarrow +\infty$  for ae.  $t \in I$  and by the Lebesgue dominated convergence Theorem we conclude that

$$\|\mathfrak{M}(\psi_n) - \mathfrak{M}(\psi)\|_{BC} \rightarrow 0, \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Thus,  $\mathfrak{M}$  is continuous.

Secondly, we observe that  $\mathfrak{M}(B_l) \subset B_l$ , which is evident.

Moving on, we note that  $\mathfrak{M}(B_l)$  demonstrates equicontinuity on every compact interval  $X'$  of  $I$ , let  $x_1, x_2 \in X'$  with  $x_2 > x_1$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathfrak{M}(\psi)(x_1) - \mathfrak{M}(\psi)(x_2)| &\leq \|\mathfrak{C}\left(\frac{x_2^c}{c}\right) - \mathfrak{C}\left(\frac{x_1^c}{c}\right)\|_{B(\mathcal{D})} (1 + \mathfrak{Y}^*) \|\eta\| \\ &\quad + \|\mathfrak{S}\left(\frac{x_2^c}{c}\right) - \mathfrak{S}\left(\frac{x_1^c}{c}\right)\|_{B(\mathcal{D})} \|\vartheta\| + |\mathfrak{Y}(x_1, \psi_{x_1}) - \mathfrak{Y}(x_2, \psi_{x_2})| \\ &\quad + \int_0^{x_1} t^{c-1} \|\mathfrak{S}\left(\frac{x_2^c-t^c}{c}\right) - \mathfrak{S}\left(\frac{x_1^c-t^c}{c}\right)\|_{B(\mathcal{D})} |\Psi(t, \psi_t)| dt \\ &\quad + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}} \int_{x_1}^{x_2} t^{c-1} |\Psi(t, \psi_t)| dt \end{aligned}$$

As  $x_1 \rightarrow x_2$ , the uniformly continuity property of the operators  $\mathfrak{C}(s)$  and  $\mathfrak{S}(s)$  indicate that the right part of the previous enequality converges to zero. This confirms the equicontinuity of  $\mathfrak{M}$ .

Additionally, we establish the equiconvergence of  $\mathfrak{M}(B_l)$ . For  $s \in I$  and  $\psi \in B_l$ , we find

$$|\mathfrak{M}(\psi)(s)| \leq \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{C}} \|\eta\| (1 + \mathcal{Y}^*) + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}} \|\vartheta\| + (\mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}} \int_0^s x^{c-1} \mathcal{O}(x) dx + \mathcal{Y}^*)l$$

Consequently,  $|\mathfrak{M}(\psi)(s)| \rightarrow l'$ , as  $s \rightarrow +\infty$ . Where  $l' \leq \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{C}} \|\eta\| (1 + \mathcal{Y}^*) + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}} \|\vartheta\| + (\mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}} \mathcal{O}^* + \mathcal{Y}^*)l$ . Here  $\mathcal{O}^* := \sup_{s \in I} \int_0^s x^{c-1} \mathcal{O}(x) dx$ . Therefore,

$$|\mathfrak{M}(\psi)(s) - \mathfrak{M}(\psi)(+\infty)| \rightarrow 0, \quad s \rightarrow +\infty.$$

Finally, we confirm that the Meir-Keeler type condition is satisfied.

For any given  $\beta > 0$ , there exists  $\mu > 0$  such that if  $\beta < \mathfrak{A}_I(\mathcal{R}) < \beta + \mu$ , then  $\mathfrak{A}_I(\mathfrak{M}(\mathcal{R})) \leq \beta$  for any  $\mathcal{R} \subset B_l$  where  $\mathfrak{A}_I(\mathcal{R}) = \max_{x \in I} \mathfrak{A}(\mathcal{R}(x))$ .

We have

$$\mathfrak{A}(\mathfrak{M}(\mathcal{R})(s)) \leq (\mathcal{Y}^* + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}} \mathcal{O}^*) \mathfrak{A}_I(\mathcal{R}).$$

Since  $\mathfrak{M}(\mathcal{R})$  is bounded and equicontinuous of all  $\mathcal{R} \subset B_l$ . Then

$$\mathfrak{A}_I(\mathfrak{M}(\mathcal{R})) = \max_{s \in I} \mathfrak{A}(\mathfrak{M}(\mathcal{R})(s)).$$

Therefore  $\mathfrak{A}_I(\mathfrak{M}(\mathcal{R})) \leq (\mathcal{Y}^* + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}} \mathcal{O}^*) \mathfrak{A}_I(\mathcal{R}) \leq \beta \Rightarrow \mathfrak{A}_I(\mathcal{R}) \leq \frac{\beta}{\mathcal{Y}^* + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}} \mathcal{O}^*}$ .

Then for any given  $\beta > 0$  and taking  $\mu = \left( \frac{1 - \mathcal{Y}^* - \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}} \mathcal{O}^*}{\mathcal{Y}^* + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}} \mathcal{O}^*} \right) \beta - \epsilon$  such that  $\epsilon > 0$ , we obtain

$$\beta < \mathfrak{A}_I(\mathcal{R}) < \beta + \mu \Rightarrow \mathfrak{A}_I(\mathfrak{M}(\mathcal{R})) \leq \beta, \quad \text{for any } \mathcal{R} \subset B_l$$

Hence  $\mathfrak{M}$  is a Meir-Keeler condensing operator.

Through these steps, we ensure that the conditions required for Meir-Keeler's fixed-point Theorem [8] are satisfied by  $\mathfrak{M} : B_l \rightarrow B_l$ . Therefore, we may conclude that  $\mathfrak{M}$  has a fixed point  $\psi$  that provides a mild solution to the problem (1) – (2).

**3.1. Uniqueness results.** Subsequently, we present our main finding concerning the existence and uniqueness of solutions to problem (1) – (2). Before proceeding with the demonstration of this outcome, we establish the following conditions.

- (i)' The function  $\Psi : I \times C(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{D}) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  is carathéodory function and there exist a continuous function  $\mathcal{O} : I \rightarrow I$  such that

$$|\Psi(s, u) - \Psi(s, v)| \leq \mathcal{O}(s) \|u - v\|,$$

$$\Psi^* = \sup_{s \in I} \int_0^s t^{c-1} \Psi(t, 0) dt < \infty$$

$$\mathfrak{A}(\Psi(s, \mathcal{F})) \leq \mathcal{O}(s) \mathfrak{A}(\mathcal{F}),$$

and  $\mathcal{O}^* := \sup_{s \in I} \int_0^s t^{c-1} \mathcal{O}(t) dt < \infty$ , for all  $s \in I$ ,  $u, v \in C(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{D})$ , bounded set  $\mathcal{F} \subset C([-b, +\infty), \mathcal{D})$  and  $0 < c \leq 1$ ;

- (iii)' The function  $\mathcal{Y} : I \times C([-b, 0], \mathcal{D}) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  is carathéodory function, continuous according to its first variable and there exist  $\mathcal{Y}^* > 0$  such that

$$|\mathcal{Y}(s, u) - \mathcal{Y}(s, v)| \leq \mathcal{Y}^* \|u - v\|,$$

$$\mathfrak{A}(\mathcal{Y}(s, \mathcal{F})) \leq \mathcal{Y}^* \mathfrak{A}(\mathcal{F}),$$

$\{s \mapsto \mathcal{Y}(s, u), u \in \mathcal{F}\}$  is equicontinuous on each compact interval of  $I$ ,

$$\mathcal{Y}' = \sup_{s \in I} |\mathcal{Y}(s, 0)| < +\infty,$$

for all  $s \in I$ ,  $u \in C(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{D})$ , bounded set  $\mathcal{F} \subset C([-b, +\infty), \mathcal{D})$ .

**Theorem 3.2.** *Given assumptions (i)' – (ii) and (iii)', if  $\mathcal{Y}^* + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}} \mathcal{O}^* < 1$ , then problem (1) – (2) possesses a unique mild solution over  $BC$ .*

**Proof.** By following analogous procedures as those in the proof of Theorem 3.2, we confirm the presence of a sole mild solution. Particularly noteworthy is the adjustment of the radius estimation to  $l \geq \frac{\mathcal{M}_c^{\Theta} [\|\eta\| (1 + \mathcal{Y}^*) + \mathcal{Y}' + \mathcal{M}_c^{\Theta} \|\vartheta\| + \mathcal{M}_c^{\Theta} \Psi^* + \mathcal{Y}']}{1 - (\mathcal{M}_c^{\Theta} \Theta^* + \mathcal{Y}^*)}$ .

Now, we proceed to demonstrate uniqueness. Suppose  $\psi$  and  $\psi^*$  are both mild solutions of the problem (1) – (2), then,

$$\begin{aligned} |\psi(s) - \psi^*(s)| &= |\mathfrak{M}\psi(s) - \mathfrak{M}\psi^*(s)| \\ &\leq |\mathcal{Y}(s, \psi_s) - \mathcal{Y}(s, \psi_s^*)| + \mathcal{M}_c^{\Theta} \int_0^s t^{c-1} |\Psi(t, \psi_t) - \Psi(t, \psi_t^*)| dt \\ &\leq (\mathcal{Y}^* + \mathcal{M}_c^{\Theta} \Theta^*) \|\psi - \psi^*\|_{BC} \end{aligned}$$

then  $(1 - (\mathcal{Y}^* + \mathcal{M}_c^{\Theta} \Theta^*)) \|\psi - \psi^*\|_{BC} \leq 0$  therefore  $\psi = \psi^*$ . Hence the uniqueness of the mild solution.

**3.2. Attractivity of Mild Solutions.** In this section, we explore the local attractiveness of solutions to problem (1) – (2).

**Theorem 3.3.** *Given assumptions (i)' – (ii) and (iii)', if  $\mathcal{M}_c^{\Theta} \Theta^* + \mathcal{Y}^* < 1$ , and let  $\psi^*$  be a solution of (1) – (2), and  $\overline{B}(\psi^*, \sigma)$  represent the closed ball in  $BC$  such that:  $\sigma \geq \frac{\mathcal{M}_c^{\Theta} [\|\eta\| (1 + \mathcal{Y}^*) + \mathcal{Y}' + \mathcal{M}_c^{\Theta} \|\vartheta\| + \mathcal{M}_c^{\Theta} \Psi^* + \mathcal{Y}']}{1 - (\mathcal{M}_c^{\Theta} \Theta^* + \mathcal{Y}^*)}$  then the problem (1) – (2) exhibits attractivity.*

**Proof.** For  $\psi \in \overline{B}(\psi^*, \sigma)$ , by (i)' – (ii) and (iii)', we get

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathfrak{M}(\psi)(s) - \psi^*(s)| &= |\mathfrak{M}(\psi)(s) - \mathfrak{M}(\psi^*)(s)| \\ &\leq |\mathcal{Y}(s, \psi_s^*) - \mathcal{Y}(s, \psi_s)| + \mathcal{M}_c^{\Theta} \int_0^s t^{c-1} |\Psi(t, \psi_t^*) - \Psi(t, \psi_t)| dt \\ &\leq \mathcal{Y}^* \|\psi_s^* - \psi_s\| + \mathcal{M}_c^{\Theta} \int_0^s t^{c-1} \Theta(t) \|\psi_t^* - \psi_t\| dt \\ &\leq (\mathcal{Y}^* + \mathcal{M}_c^{\Theta} \Theta^*) \sigma \leq \sigma \end{aligned}$$

consequently,  $\mathfrak{M}(\overline{B}(\psi^*, \sigma)) \subset \overline{B}(\psi^*, \sigma)$  then for each solutions  $\psi, \tilde{\psi} \in \overline{B}(\psi^*, \sigma)$  of (1) – (2) and  $s \in I$ , we have

$$|\psi(s) - \tilde{\psi}(s)| \leq (\mathcal{Y}^* + \mathcal{M}_c^{\Theta} \Theta^*) \|\tilde{\psi} - \psi\|_{BC}$$

hence

$$\|\tilde{\psi} - \psi\|_{BC} = 0$$

As a result, the problem solutions (1) – (2) are locally attractive.

**3.3. Controllability results.** This section delineates the controllability outcomes for the system (3) – (4). Before delving into this, we introduce a specific type of solutions for problem (3) – (4).

**Definition 3.2.** *We define the mild solution  $\psi \in C([-b, +\infty), \mathcal{D})$  of the problem (3) – (4) as follows*

$$\psi(s) = \begin{cases} \eta(s), & \text{if } s \in \mathcal{H}; \\ \mathfrak{C}\left(\frac{s^c}{c}\right) [\eta(0) - \mathcal{Y}(0, \eta(0))] + \mathfrak{G}\left(\frac{s^c}{c}\right) \vartheta + \mathcal{Y}(s, \psi_s) \\ \quad + \int_0^s t^{c-1} \mathfrak{G}\left(\frac{s^c-t^c}{c}\right) \Psi(t, \psi_t) dt, + \int_0^s t^{c-1} \mathfrak{G}\left(\frac{s^c-t^c}{c}\right) \mathcal{B}u(t) dt, & \text{if } s \in I; \end{cases}$$

**Definition 3.3.** *The system (3) – (4) is considered controllable if, for every initial function  $\eta \in C([-b, 0], \mathcal{D})$  and  $\tilde{\psi} \in \mathcal{D}$ , there exists some natural number  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and a control function  $u \in L^2([0, n], \mathcal{D})$  such that the resulting mild solution  $\psi(\cdot)$  satisfies the terminal condition  $\psi(n) = \tilde{\psi}$ .*

We will adopt the assumptions (i) – (iii) from Section 3, along with the introduction of the following additional assumption, which will be consistently assumed hereafter:

(iv) For all  $n$  integer, the linear operator  $\mathfrak{B} : L^2([0, n], \mathcal{D}) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  defined by

$$\mathfrak{B}u = \int_0^n x^{c-1} \mathfrak{S}\left(\frac{n^c - x^c}{c}\right) \mathcal{B}u(x) dx,$$

possesses a pseudo-invertible operator  $\tilde{\mathfrak{B}}^{-1}$ , which maps functions from  $L^2([0, n], \mathcal{D})$  to the space  $L^2([0, n], \mathcal{D})$  excluding the kernel of  $\mathfrak{B}$ , and is bounded. Additionally,  $\mathcal{B}$  is bounded, satisfying:

$$\|\mathcal{B}\| \leq \tilde{\mathcal{N}} \text{ and } \|\tilde{\mathfrak{B}}^{-1}\| \leq \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_1.$$

(v) There exists a continuous function  $\mathcal{K}_{\mathfrak{B}} : [0, n] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  such that: for any bounded subset  $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{D}$ , we have :  $\mathfrak{A}(\tilde{\mathfrak{B}}^{-1}(\mathcal{F})(s)) \leq \mathcal{K}_{\mathfrak{B}}(s)\mathfrak{A}(\mathcal{F})$ ,  $s \in I$  and  $\mathcal{K}' := \sup_{s \in I} \int_0^s t^{c-1} \mathcal{K}_{\mathfrak{B}}(t) dt < \infty$  for all  $0 < c \leq 1$ .

**Theorem 3.4.** Assume that (i)–(v) hold. If  $\max\{\mathcal{M}_c \tilde{\mathcal{N}} \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_1 \frac{n^c}{c} + (\mathcal{Y}^* + \mathcal{M}_c \mathcal{O}^*)[1 + \mathcal{M}_c \tilde{\mathcal{N}} \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_1 \frac{n^c}{c}], (\mathcal{Y}^* + \mathcal{M}_c \mathcal{O}^*)(1 + \mathcal{M}_c \tilde{\mathcal{N}} \mathcal{K}')\} < 1$ , then the problem (3) – (4) is controllable on  $[-b, +\infty)$ .

**Proof.** Convert problem (3)–(4) into a fixed-point problem. We examine the operator  $\mathfrak{M} : BC_{\infty}([-b, +\infty), \mathcal{D}) \rightarrow BC_{\infty}([-b, +\infty), \mathcal{D})$ , defined as:

$$\mathfrak{M}(\psi)(s) = \begin{cases} \eta(s), & \text{if } s \in [-b, 0]; \\ \mathfrak{C}\left(\frac{s^c}{c}\right) [\eta(0) - \mathcal{Y}(0, \eta(0))] + \mathfrak{S}\left(\frac{s^c}{c}\right) \vartheta + \mathcal{Y}(s, \psi_s) \\ + \int_0^s t^{c-1} \mathfrak{S}\left(\frac{s^c - t^c}{c}\right) \Psi(t, \psi_t) dt, + \int_0^s t^{c-1} \mathfrak{S}\left(\frac{s^c - t^c}{c}\right) \mathcal{B}u(t) dt, & \text{if } s \in I; \end{cases}$$

Using assumption (iv), for arbitrary function  $\psi(\cdot)$ , we define the control

$$\begin{aligned} u_{\psi}(s) = & \tilde{\mathfrak{B}}^{-1} \left[ \hat{\psi} - \mathfrak{C}\left(\frac{n^c}{c}\right) [\eta(0) - \mathcal{Y}(0, \eta(0))] - \mathfrak{S}\left(\frac{n^c}{c}\right) \vartheta - \mathcal{Y}(n, \psi_n) \right. \\ & \left. - \int_0^n t^{c-1} \mathfrak{S}\left(\frac{n^c - t^c}{c}\right) \Psi(t, \psi_t) dt \right](s) \end{aligned}$$

Noting that, we have

$$|u_{\psi}(s)| \leq \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_1 \left[ |\hat{\psi}| + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{C}}(1 + \mathcal{Y}^*) \|\eta\| + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}} \|\vartheta\| + (\mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}} \mathcal{O}^* + \mathcal{Y}^*) \|\psi\|_{BC_{\infty}} \right]$$

The operator  $\mathfrak{M}$  maps  $BC_{\infty}$  into  $BC_{\infty}$ . Specifically, the mapping  $\mathfrak{M}(\psi)$  is continuous on  $[-b, n]$  for any  $\psi \in BC_{\infty}$  we have:

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathfrak{M}(\psi)(s)| \leq & \|\mathfrak{C}\left(\frac{s^c}{c}\right)\| (|\eta(0)| + |\mathcal{Y}(0, \eta(0))|) + \|\mathfrak{S}\left(\frac{s^c}{c}\right)\| (\|\vartheta\| + |\mathcal{Y}(s, \psi_s)|) \\ & + \int_0^s t^{c-1} \|\mathfrak{S}\left(\frac{s^c - t^c}{c}\right)\| |\Psi(t, \psi_t)| dt + \int_0^s t^{c-1} \|\mathfrak{S}\left(\frac{s^c - t^c}{c}\right)\| \|\mathcal{B}\| |u_{\psi}(t)| dt \\ \leq & (\mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{C}}(1 + \mathcal{Y}^*) \|\eta\| + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}} \|\vartheta\|) (1 + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}} \tilde{\mathcal{N}} \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_1 \frac{n^c}{c}) + \|\psi\|_{BC_{\infty}} \left[ \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}} \tilde{\mathcal{N}} \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_1 \frac{n^c}{c} \right. \\ & \left. + (\mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}} \mathcal{O}^* + \mathcal{Y}^*) (1 + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}} \tilde{\mathcal{N}} \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_1 \frac{n^c}{c}) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Which imply  $\mathfrak{M} \in BC_{\infty}$ .

Furthermore, suppose  $l \geq \frac{(\mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{C}}(1 + \mathcal{Y}^*) \|\eta\| + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}} \|\vartheta\|) (1 + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}} \tilde{\mathcal{N}} \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_1 \frac{n^c}{c})}{1 - [\mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}} \tilde{\mathcal{N}} \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_1 \frac{n^c}{c} + (\mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}} \mathcal{O}^* + \mathcal{Y}^*) (1 + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}} \tilde{\mathcal{N}} \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_1 \frac{n^c}{c})]}$ , and let  $B_l$  denote the

closed ball in  $BC_\infty$  centered at the origin with radius  $l$ . Let  $\psi \in B_l$  and  $s \in I$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathfrak{M}(\psi)(s)| &\leq l \left[ \mathcal{M}_c^\mathfrak{S} \tilde{\mathcal{N}} \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_1 \frac{n^c}{c} + (\mathcal{M}_c^\mathfrak{S} \mathfrak{O}^* + \mathfrak{Y}^*)(1 + \mathcal{M}_c^\mathfrak{S} \tilde{\mathcal{N}} \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_1 \frac{n^c}{c}) \right] \\ &\quad + (\mathcal{M}_c^\mathfrak{C} (1 + \mathfrak{Y}^*) \|\eta\| + \mathcal{M}_c^\mathfrak{S} \|\vartheta\|) (1 + \mathcal{M}_c^\mathfrak{S} \tilde{\mathcal{N}} \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_1 \frac{n^c}{c}). \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $\|\mathfrak{M}(\psi)\|_{BC_\infty} \leq l$ .

We now aim to demonstrate that  $\mathfrak{M} : B_l \rightarrow B_l$  fulfills the prerequisites of Meir-Keeler's fixed-point Theorem.

Firstly, we establish that  $\mathfrak{M}$  exhibits continuity within  $B_l$ . Let  $\{\psi_k\}$  be a sequence such that  $\psi_k \rightarrow \psi$  in  $B_l$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathfrak{M}(\psi_k)(s) - \mathfrak{M}(\psi)(s)| &\leq |\mathfrak{Y}(s, (\psi_s)_k) - \mathfrak{Y}(s, \psi_s)| + \mathcal{M}_c^\mathfrak{S} \int_0^s t^{c-1} |\Psi(t, (\psi_t)_k) - \Psi(t, \psi_t)| dt \\ &\quad + \mathcal{M}_c^\mathfrak{S} \tilde{\mathcal{N}} \int_0^s t^{c-1} |\mathcal{U}_{\psi_k}(t) - \mathcal{U}_\psi(t)| dt \\ &\leq |\mathfrak{Y}(s, (\psi_s)_k) - \mathfrak{Y}(s, \psi_s)| \\ &\quad + \mathcal{M}_c^\mathfrak{S} \left( 1 + \mathcal{M}_c^\mathfrak{S} \tilde{\mathcal{N}} \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_1 \frac{n^c}{c} \right) \int_0^n t^{c-1} |\Psi(t, (\psi_t)_k) - \Psi(t, \psi_t)| dt \\ &\quad + \mathcal{M}_c^\mathfrak{S} \tilde{\mathcal{N}} \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_1 \frac{n^c}{c} \left[ |\hat{\psi}_k - \hat{\psi}| + |\mathfrak{Y}(n, (\psi_n)_k) - \mathfrak{Y}(n, \psi_n)| \right] \end{aligned}$$

Using (i) and (iii), we have  $\Psi(s, (\psi_s)_k) \rightarrow \Psi(s, \psi_s)$  and  $\mathfrak{Y}(s, (\psi_s)_k) \rightarrow \mathfrak{Y}(s, \psi_s)$  as  $k \rightarrow +\infty$  for almost every  $s \in [0, n]$ . Then, by the Lebesgue dominated convergence Theorem:  $\|\mathfrak{M}(\psi_k) - \mathfrak{M}(\psi)\|_{BC_\infty} \rightarrow 0$ , as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Thus,  $\mathfrak{M}$  is continuous.

Secondly, we observe that  $\mathfrak{M}(B_l) \subset B_l$ , which is evident.

Moving on, we note that  $\mathfrak{M}(B_l)$  demonstrates equicontinuity on every compact interval  $X' = [0, n]$ , let  $x_1, x_2 \in X'$  with  $x_2 > x_1$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathfrak{M}(\psi)(x_1) - \mathfrak{M}(\psi)(x_2)| &\leq \|\mathfrak{C}\left(\frac{x_2^c}{c}\right) - \mathfrak{C}\left(\frac{x_1^c}{c}\right)\|_{B(\mathcal{D})} (1 + \mathfrak{Y}^*) \|\eta\| \\ &\quad + \|\mathfrak{S}\left(\frac{x_2^c}{c}\right) - \mathfrak{S}\left(\frac{x_1^c}{c}\right)\|_{B(\mathcal{D})} \|\vartheta\| + |\mathfrak{Y}(x_1, \psi_{x_1}) - \mathfrak{Y}(x_2, \psi_{x_2})| \\ &\quad + \int_0^{x_1} t^{c-1} \|\mathfrak{S}\left(\frac{x_2^c - t^c}{c}\right) - \mathfrak{S}\left(\frac{x_1^c - t^c}{c}\right)\|_{B(\mathcal{D})} |\Psi(t, \psi_t)| dt \\ &\quad + \mathcal{M}_c^\mathfrak{S} \int_{x_1}^{x_2} t^{c-1} |\Psi(t, \psi_t)| dt \\ &\quad + \int_0^{x_1} t^{c-1} \|\mathfrak{S}\left(\frac{x_2^c - t^c}{c}\right) - \mathfrak{S}\left(\frac{x_1^c - t^c}{c}\right)\|_{B(\mathcal{D})} \|\mathcal{B}\| \|\mathcal{U}_\psi(t)\| dt \\ &\quad + \mathcal{M}_c^\mathfrak{S} \tilde{\mathcal{N}} \int_{x_1}^{x_2} t^{c-1} \|\mathcal{U}_\psi(t)\| dt \end{aligned}$$

As  $x_1 \rightarrow x_2$ , the uniform continuity property of  $\mathfrak{C}(s)$  and  $\mathfrak{S}(s)$  indicate that the right part of the previous inequality converges to zero. This confirms the equicontinuity of  $\mathfrak{M}$ .

Additionally, we establish the equiconvergence of  $\mathfrak{M}(B_l)$ . For  $s \in X'$  and  $\psi \in B_l$ , we find

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathfrak{M}(\psi)(s)| &\leq (\mathcal{M}_c^\mathfrak{C} (1 + \mathfrak{Y}^*) \|\eta\| + \mathcal{M}_c^\mathfrak{S} \|\vartheta\|) (1 + \mathcal{M}_c^\mathfrak{S} \tilde{\mathcal{N}} \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_1 \frac{n^c}{c}) + l \left[ \mathcal{M}_c^\mathfrak{S} \tilde{\mathcal{N}} \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_1 \frac{n^c}{c} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + (\mathcal{M}_c^\mathfrak{S} \int_0^s x^{c-1} \mathfrak{O}(x) dx + \mathfrak{Y}^*) (1 + \mathcal{M}_c^\mathfrak{S} \tilde{\mathcal{N}} \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_1 \frac{n^c}{c}) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently,  $|\mathfrak{M}(\psi)(s)| \rightarrow l'$ , as  $s \rightarrow +\infty$ . Where  $l' \leq (\mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{C}}(1 + \mathcal{Y}^*)\|\eta\| + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}}\|\vartheta\|)(1 + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}}\tilde{\mathcal{N}}_1\frac{n^c}{c}) + l \left[ \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}}\tilde{\mathcal{N}}_1\frac{n^c}{c} + (\mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}}\mathcal{O}^*dx + \mathcal{Y}^*)(1 + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}}\tilde{\mathcal{N}}_1\frac{n^c}{c}) \right]$ . Here  $\mathcal{O}^* := \sup_{s \in I} \int_0^s x^{c-1}\mathcal{O}(x)dx$ . Therefore,

$$|\mathfrak{M}(\psi)(s) - \mathfrak{M}(\psi)(+\infty)| \rightarrow 0, \quad s \rightarrow +\infty.$$

Finally, we confirm that the Meir-Keeler type condition is satisfied.

For any given  $\beta > 0$ , there exists  $\mu > 0$  such that if  $\beta < \mathfrak{A}_I(\mathcal{R}) < \beta + \mu$ , then  $\mathfrak{A}_I(\mathfrak{M}(\mathcal{R})) \leq \beta$  for any  $\mathcal{R} \subset B_l$  where  $\mathfrak{A}_I(\mathcal{R}) = \max_{s \in I} \mathfrak{A}(\mathcal{R}(s))$ . We have

$$\mathfrak{A}(\mathcal{U}_{\mathcal{R}}(s)) \leq \mathcal{K}_{\mathfrak{M}}(s)(\mathcal{Y}^* + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}}\mathcal{O}^*)\mathfrak{A}_I(\mathcal{R}),$$

which imply

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{A}(\mathfrak{M}(\mathcal{R})(s)) &\leq \mathcal{Y}^*\mathfrak{A}_I(\mathcal{R}) + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}} \int_0^s t^{c-1}\mathcal{O}(t)\mathfrak{A}_I(\mathcal{R})dt \\ &\quad + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}}\tilde{\mathcal{N}} \int_0^s t^{c-1}\mathcal{K}_{\mathfrak{M}}(t)(\mathcal{Y}^* + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}}\mathcal{O}^*)\mathfrak{A}_I(\mathcal{R})dt \\ &\leq (1 + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}}\tilde{\mathcal{N}}\mathcal{K}')(\mathcal{Y}^* + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}}\mathcal{O}^*)\mathfrak{A}_I(\mathcal{R}) \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\mathfrak{M}(\mathcal{R})$  is bounded and equicontinuous of all  $\mathcal{R} \subset B_l$ . Then

$$\mathfrak{A}_I(\mathfrak{M}(\mathcal{R})) = \max_{s \in I} \mathfrak{A}(\mathfrak{M}(\mathcal{R})(s)).$$

Therefore  $\mathfrak{A}_I(\mathfrak{M}(\mathcal{R})) \leq (1 + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}}\tilde{\mathcal{N}}\mathcal{K}')(\mathcal{Y}^* + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}}\mathcal{O}^*)\mathfrak{A}_I(\mathcal{R}) \leq \beta \Rightarrow \mathfrak{A}_I(\mathcal{R}) \leq \frac{\beta}{(1 + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}}\tilde{\mathcal{N}}\mathcal{K}')(\mathcal{Y}^* + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}}\mathcal{O}^*)}$ .

Then for any given  $\beta > 0$  and taking  $\mu = \left( \frac{1 - (1 + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}}\tilde{\mathcal{N}}\mathcal{K}')(\mathcal{Y}^* + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}}\mathcal{O}^*)}{(1 + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}}\tilde{\mathcal{N}}\mathcal{K}')(\mathcal{Y}^* + \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathfrak{S}}\mathcal{O}^*)} \right)\beta - \epsilon$  such that  $\epsilon > 0$ , we obtain

$$\beta < \mathfrak{A}_I(\mathcal{R}) < \beta + \mu \Rightarrow \mathfrak{A}_I(\mathfrak{M}(\mathcal{R})) \leq \beta, \quad \text{for any } \mathcal{R} \subset B_l$$

Hence  $\mathfrak{M}$  is a Meir-Keeler condensing operator.

Through these steps, we ensure that the conditions required for Meir-Keeler's fixed-point Theorem [8] are satisfied by  $\mathfrak{M} : B_l \rightarrow B_l$ . Therefore, we may conclude that  $\mathfrak{M}$  has a fixed point  $\psi$  that provides the controllability of the problem (3) – (4).

#### 4. Examples

**Example 4.1.** To showcase the practical application of our results, let  $\mathcal{E}$  denote a nonempty bounded open set in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . We explore the following conformable fractional differential equation:

$$\begin{aligned} D_s^{\frac{2}{3}}[D_s^{\frac{2}{3}}\psi(s, x) - \mathcal{Y}(s, \psi(s - b, x))] &= D_x^2[\psi(s, x) - \mathcal{Y}(s, \psi(s - b, x))] + \Psi(s, \psi(s - b, x)), \\ x &\in \mathcal{E}, \quad s \in [0, +\infty); \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

$$\psi(s, x) = 0, \quad s \in [0, +\infty), \quad x \in \partial\mathcal{E}; \quad (6)$$

$$\psi(s, x) = \eta(s, x); \quad D_s^{\frac{2}{3}}[\psi(0, x)] = \vartheta, \quad s \in [-b, 0], \quad x \in \mathcal{E}. \quad (7)$$

Here,  $b > 0$  and we have

$$\Psi(s, \psi(s - b, x)) = \frac{\exp -s}{7} \sin \psi(s - b, x),$$

$$\mathcal{Y}(s, \psi(s - b, x)) = \frac{\exp -s}{2} \tanh \psi(s - b, x),$$

taking  $\mathcal{D} = L^2(\mathcal{E})$  and defining  $\mathfrak{P}$  as follows:  $\mathfrak{P}\psi = D_x^2\psi$ ,  $\psi \in D(\mathfrak{P})$  and

$$D(\mathfrak{P}) = \{\psi \in \mathcal{H}(\mathcal{D}), \quad \psi(x)|_{x \in \partial\mathcal{E}} = 0\}$$

It is well known the operator  $\mathfrak{P}$  generates a cosine family  $((\mathfrak{C}(s))_{s \in \mathbb{R}}, (\mathfrak{S}(s))_{s \in \mathbb{R}})$ . Additionally, it follows that

$$\|\mathfrak{C}(s)\| \leq 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \|\mathfrak{S}(s)\| \leq 1, \quad \text{for all } s \in [0, +\infty).$$

Thus, to apply our Theorems on existence and attractivity, we require  $\mathcal{Y}^* + \mathcal{O}^* < 1$ . The function  $\Psi(s, \psi(s - b, x)) = \frac{\exp -s}{7} \sin \psi(s - b, x)$  is carathéodory and

$$|\Psi(s, \psi_1(s - b, x)) - \Psi(s, \psi_2(s - b, x))| \leq \frac{\exp -s}{7} |\psi_1(s - b, x) - \psi_2(s - b, x)|$$

thus  $\mathcal{O}(s) = \frac{\exp -s}{7}$ . Moreover, we have

$$\mathcal{O}^* = \sup\left\{\int_0^s x^{-\frac{1}{3}} \frac{\exp -x}{7} dx, s \in [0, +\infty)\right\} = \frac{\Gamma(\frac{2}{3})}{7} \simeq 0.19302, \quad \Psi_0 = 0.$$

Also,  $\mathcal{Y}(s, \psi(s - b, x)) = \frac{\exp -s}{2} \tanh \psi(s - b, x)$  is carathéodory and

$$|\mathcal{Y}(s, \psi_1(s - b, x)) - \mathcal{Y}(s, \psi_2(s - b, x))| \leq \frac{1}{2} |\psi_1(s - b, x) - \psi_2(s - b, x)|$$

thus  $\mathcal{Y}^* = \frac{1}{2}$ . Moreover, we have

$$\mathcal{Y}(s, 0) = \frac{\exp -s}{2} \tanh(0) = 0 = \mathcal{Y}'.$$

Thus  $\mathcal{Y}^* + \mathcal{O}^* \mathcal{M}_c^{\mathcal{C}} \leq \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\Gamma(\frac{2}{3})}{7} \simeq 0.693 < 1$ .

Then, by [15, 24], the problem (1)-(3) is an abstract formulation of the problem (5)-(7), and conditions (i) – (iii) are satisfied. Theorem 3.3 implies that the problem (5)-(7) has a unique mild solution on BC, which is attractive by Theorem 3.4.

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