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# Ulam Stability for System of Nonlinear Implicit Fractional Differential Equations

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*Abstract.* In the present paper, we study the Ulam-type stability of solutions for system of nonlinear implicit fractional differential equations. The main techniques are based on method of successive approximations. An illustrative example is also given.

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#### **1. Introduction**

In 1940, Ulam [22] proposed a general Ulam stability problem in the talk before the Mathematics Club of University of Wisconsin in which he discussed a number of important unsolved problems. In the following year, Hyers [12] affirmatively answered partially to the Ulams' question. Further in 1978, Rassias [20-21] generalized the results of Hyers' and since then the stability of functional equations have been investigated by many researchers as an emerging field of mathematical analysis [1,2,5,13,14,16,18] and the books [15,17,20-23].

Existence and uniqueness of solutions of various class of fractional differential equations are recently studied by the authors in [3,4,6-11] by using variety of techniques.

In this paper, we will study four Ulam-type stabilities of solution of nonlinear initial value problem (IVP)

$$\begin{pmatrix}
\mathfrak{D}_{1}^{\alpha}x(t) = f(t, x(t), \mathfrak{D}_{1}^{\alpha}x(t)), & t \in J = [1, T], T > 1, \\
x^{(k)}(1) = x_{k}, & x_{k} \in \mathbb{R}^{n}, & k = 0, 1, \cdots, m - 1,
\end{cases}$$
(1)

for system of implicit fractional differential equations for some  $\alpha \in (m - 1, m]$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $f: J \times \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$  be a nonlinear continuous function,  $x: J \to \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\mathfrak{D}_1^{\alpha}$  is the Caputo-Hadamard derivative of order  $\alpha$ .

The rest of the paper is organized as follows: in Section 2, we give the definitions and preliminary results. In Section 3, we prove the four Ulam-type stabilities. An illustrative example is given in last section.

## 2. Preliminaries

Let  $\mathbb{B} = C^m(J, \mathbb{R}^n)$  be a Banach space of continuous functions from J into  $\mathbb{R}^n$  having

 $m^{th}$  order derivatives with supremum norm  $|| \cdot ||_{\mathbb{B}}$ . The well-known function frequently used in the solution of fractional differential equations is the Mittag-Leffler function

$$E_{\alpha}(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^{k}}{\Gamma(\alpha k+1)}, \quad z \in \mathbb{R}, Re(\alpha) > 0, \tag{1}$$

where  $\Gamma(x) = \int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^{x-1} dt, x > 0$ , is the Gamma function.

**Definition 1.** [17]*The Hadamard fractional integral of order*  $\alpha > 0$  *for a continuous function*  $g(t): [1, +\infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  *is defined as* 

$$\Im_1^{\alpha} g(t) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_1^t (\log \frac{t}{s})^{\alpha - 1} g(s) \frac{ds}{s}, \quad \alpha > 0.$$
<sup>(2)</sup>

**Definition 2.** [17] The Caputo-Hadamard fractional derivative of order  $\alpha$  for a continuous function  $g(t): [1, +\infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is defined as

$$\mathfrak{D}_{1}^{\alpha}g(t) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(n-\alpha)} \int_{1}^{t} (\log\frac{t}{s})^{n-\alpha-1} \delta^{n}(g)(s) \frac{ds}{s}, \quad n-1 < \alpha < n, \quad (3)$$

where  $\delta^n = (t \frac{d}{dt})^n, n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Lemma 1.** [17] If  $m - 1 < \alpha \le m, m \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $g \in C^m[1, T]$ , then  $\mathfrak{I}_1^{\alpha}[\mathfrak{D}_1^{\alpha}g(t)] = g(t) - \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \frac{g^{(k)}(1)}{\Gamma(k+1)} (\log t)^k.$ 

**Lemma 2.** [17] For all  $\mu > 0$  and  $\nu > -1$ ,  $\frac{1}{\Gamma(\mu)} \int_{1}^{t} (\log \frac{t}{s})^{\mu-1} (\log s)^{\nu} \frac{ds}{s} = \frac{\Gamma(\nu+1)}{\Gamma(\mu+\nu+1)} (\log t)^{\mu+\nu}.$ 

**Lemma 3.** [17] Let  $g(t) = t^{\mu}$ , where  $\mu \ge 0$  and if  $m - 1 < \alpha \le m, m \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $\mathfrak{D}_{1}^{\alpha}(\log t)^{\mu} = \begin{pmatrix} 0, & \text{if } \mu \in \{0, 1, \cdots, m - 1\}, \\ \frac{\Gamma(\mu + 1)}{\Gamma(\mu + \alpha + 1)}(\log t)^{\mu + \alpha}, & \text{if } \mu \in \mathbb{N}, \mu \ge m \text{ or } \mu \notin \mathbb{N}, \mu > m - 1. \end{cases}$ 

**Lemma 4.** [19] For any  $t \in [1, T]$ ,

$$u(t) \le a(t) + b(t) \int_1^t \left( \log \frac{t}{s} \right)^{\alpha - 1} u(s) \frac{ds}{s},$$

where all the functions are not negative and continuous. The constant  $\alpha > 0, b$  is a bounded and monotonic increasing function on [1, T), then,

$$u(t) \le a(t) + \int_1^t \left[ \sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{(b(t)\Gamma(\alpha))^n}{\Gamma(n\alpha)} \left( \log \frac{t}{s} \right)^{n\alpha-1} a(s) \right] \frac{ds}{s}, \quad t \in [1,T).$$

**Remark 1.** Under the hypothesis of Lemma 4, if a(t) be a nondecreasing function on [1,T). Then

$$u(t) \leq a(t)E_{\alpha}(b(t)\Gamma(\alpha)\log t^{\alpha}).$$

**Definition 3.** A function  $x \in \mathbb{B}$  is said to be a solution of problem (1) if x satisfies nonlinear implicit fractional differential system of equations

 $\mathfrak{D}_1^{\alpha} x(t) = f(t, x(t), \mathfrak{D}_1^{\alpha} x(t)) \text{ on } J \text{ together with initial conditions } x^{(k)}(1) = x_k, k = 0, 1, \dots, m-1, x_k \in \mathbb{R}^n, m-1 < \alpha \leq m, m \in \mathbb{N}.$ 

#### 3. Ulam-type stability

In this section, we present our main results concerning the stability of solutions for IVP (1)

The following lemma is proved in [11] which is equivalence of IVP (1) with integral equation

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \frac{x_k}{\Gamma(k+1)} (\log t)^k + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_1^t (\log \frac{t}{s})^{\alpha-1} p(s) \frac{ds}{s}, \quad t \in J,$$
(4)

where  $p \in \mathbb{B}$  satisfies the functional equation

$$p(t) = f(t, \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \frac{x_k}{\Gamma(k+1)} (\log t)^k + \Im_1^{\alpha} p(t), p(t)), \quad t \in J.$$
(5)

**Lemma 5.** [11] Suppose that  $f: J \times \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$  be a continuous function. Then system (1) is equivalent to the fractional integral equation (5).

Next, we make the following assumptions:

 $f: J \times \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$  be continuous function and satisfies the Lipschitz-type condition: for  $x, y, \tilde{x}, \tilde{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  there exist constants M > 0 and 0 < N < 1 such that  $||f(t, x, y) - f(t, \tilde{x}, \tilde{y})|| \le M||x - \tilde{x}|| + N||y - \tilde{y}||, t \in J.$ 

(H2) Let  $\Phi \in C(J, \mathbb{R}_+)$  be a nondecreasing function. There exists a constant K > 0 satisfying  $0 < K\theta < 1$  and

$$\|\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)}\int_{1}^{t} (\log\frac{t}{s})^{\alpha-1}\Phi(s)\frac{ds}{s}\|\leq K\Phi(t), \quad t\in J,$$

where  $\theta = \frac{M}{1-N} > 0$ .

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $\Phi: J \to \mathbb{R}_+$  be a continuous function. We consider the following inequations:

$$||\mathfrak{D}_{1}^{\alpha}y(t) - f(t, y(t), \mathfrak{D}_{1}^{\alpha}y(t))|| \le \varepsilon, \quad t \in J,$$
(6)

$$||\mathfrak{D}_1^{\alpha} y(t) - f(t, y(t), \mathfrak{D}_1^{\alpha} y(t))|| \le \Phi(t), \quad t \in J,$$
(7)

$$||\mathfrak{D}_{1}^{\alpha}y(t) - f(t, y(t), \mathfrak{D}_{1}^{\alpha}y(t))|| \le \varepsilon\Phi(t), \quad t \in J.$$
(8)

**Definition 4.** Problem (1) is Ulam-Hyers stable if there exists a real number  $K_f > 0$  such that for each  $\varepsilon > 0$  and for each solution  $y: J \to \mathbb{R}^n$  in  $\mathbb{B}$  of inequality (7), there exists a solution  $x: J \to \mathbb{R}^n$  of Problem (1) in  $\mathbb{B}$  with

$$||y(t) - x(t)|| \le \varepsilon K_f; \quad t \in J.$$

**Definition 5.** Problem (1) is generalized Ulam-Hyers stable if there exists  $\psi \in C(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R}_+), \psi(0) = 0$  such that for each  $\varepsilon > 0$  and for each solution  $y: J \to \mathbb{R}^n$  in  $\mathbb{B}$  of inequality (7), there exists a solution  $x: J \to \mathbb{R}^n$  of Problem (1) in  $\mathbb{B}$  with  $||y(t) - x(t)|| \le \psi(\varepsilon); \quad t \in J.$ 

**Definition 6.** Problem (1) is Ulam-Hyers-Rassias stable with respect to  $\Phi$ , if there exists a real number  $K_{f,\phi} > 0$  such that for each  $\varepsilon > 0$  and for each solution  $y: J \to \mathbb{R}^n$  in  $\mathbb{B}$  of inequality (9), there exists a solution  $x: J \to \mathbb{R}^n$  of Problem (1) in  $\mathbb{B}$  with  $||y(t) - x(t)|| \le \varepsilon K_{f,\phi} \Phi(t); \quad t \in J.$ 

**Definition 7.** Problem (1) is generalized Ulam-Hyers-Rassias stable with respect to  $\Phi$ , if there exists a real number  $K_{f,\Phi} > 0$  such that for each  $\varepsilon > 0$  and for each solution  $y: J \to \mathbb{R}^n$  in  $\mathbb{B}$  of inequality (7), there exists a solution  $x: J \to \mathbb{R}^n$  of Problem (1) in  $\mathbb{B}$  with

$$||y(t) - x(t)|| \le K_{f,\phi}\Phi(t); \qquad t \in J.$$

Now we see Ulam-type stabilities for Problem (1) by using successive approximations.

**Theorem 1.** Suppose that f satisfies assumption (H1). For every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , if  $y: J \to \mathbb{R}^n$  in  $\mathbb{B}$  satisfies inequality (7), then there exists a unique solution  $x: J \to \mathbb{R}^n$  in  $\mathbb{B}$  of Problem (1) with  $x^{(k)}(1) = y^{(k)}(1)$ , for  $k = 0, 1, \dots, m-1$ . Moreover, Problem (1) is Ulam-Hyers stable with

$$||y(t) - x(t)|| \le \left(\frac{E_{\alpha}(\theta(\log T)^{\alpha}) - 1}{\theta}\right)\varepsilon, \ t \in J, \text{ and } \theta = \left(\frac{M}{1 - N}\right) > 0$$

**Proof:** For every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , let  $y: J \to \mathbb{R}^n$  in  $\mathbb{B}$  satisfies inequality (7), then there exists a function  $\sigma_y(t) \in \mathbb{B}$  (depending on y) such that

 $||\sigma_y(t)|| \le \varepsilon$ , and  $\mathfrak{D}_1^{\alpha} y(t) = f(t, y(t), \mathfrak{D}_1^{\alpha} y(t)) + \sigma_y(t), t \in J$ . In the light of Lemma 5, y satisfies the fractional integral equation

$$y(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \frac{y^{(k)}(1)}{\Gamma(k+1)} (\log t)^k + \Im_1^{\alpha} p^0(t) + \Im_1^{\alpha} \sigma_y(t), \ t \in J_{\mu}$$

where  $p^0 \in \mathbb{B}$  satisfies functional equation  $p^0(t) = f(t, y(t), p^0(t))$  for  $t \in J$ . Define  $x^0(t) = y(t), t \in J$  and consider the sequence  $\{x^j\} \subseteq \mathbb{B}$  given by

$$x^{j}(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \frac{y^{(k)}(1)}{\Gamma(k+1)} (\log t)^{k} + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{1}^{t} (\log \frac{t}{s})^{\alpha-1} p^{j-1}(s) \frac{ds}{s}, \ t \in J,$$
(9)

where  $p^{j-1}(t) \in \mathbb{B}$   $(j \in \mathbb{N})$  is such that

$$p^{j-1}(t) = f(t, x^{j-1}(t), p^{j-1}(t)), \quad t \in J.$$

$$(10)$$

By using the principle of mathematical induction, we prove that

$$||x^{j}(t) - x^{j-1}(t)|| \le \frac{\varepsilon}{\theta} \frac{[\theta(\log t)^{\alpha}]^{j}}{\Gamma(\alpha j+1)}, \quad j \in \mathbb{N}, t \in J.$$

$$\tag{11}$$

First we show that inequality (12) is true for j = 1. By using successive approximations for any  $t \in J$ , we obtain

$$\begin{split} ||x^{1}(t) - x^{0}(t)|| &= \|\sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \frac{y^{(k)}(1)}{\Gamma(k+1)} (\log t)^{k} + \mathfrak{J}_{1}^{\alpha} p^{0}(t) - y(t) \| \\ &= \|\sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \frac{y^{(k)}(1)}{\Gamma(k+1)} (\log t)^{k} + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{1}^{t} (\log \frac{t}{s})^{\alpha-1} p^{0}(s) \frac{ds}{s} \\ &- (\sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \frac{y^{(k)}(1)}{\Gamma(k+1)} (\log t)^{k} + \mathfrak{J}_{1}^{\alpha} p^{0}(t) - \mathfrak{J}_{1}^{\alpha} \sigma_{y}(t)) \| \\ &= ||\mathfrak{J}_{1}^{\alpha} \sigma_{y}(t)|| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{1}^{t} (\log \frac{t}{s})^{\alpha-1} ||\sigma_{y}(s)|| \frac{ds}{s} \\ &\leq \varepsilon \frac{(\log t)^{\alpha}}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)}, \quad t \in J, \end{split}$$

which proves inequality (12) for j = 1. Now, we assume that the inequality (12) hold for  $j = r, r \in \mathbb{N}$  and prove it for j = r + 1. Again by definition of successive approximations, for any  $t \in J$ , we have

$$||x^{r+1}(t) - x^{r}(t)|| \le \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{1}^{t} (\log \frac{t}{s})^{\alpha - 1} ||p^{r}(s) - p^{r-1}(s)|| \frac{ds}{s}.$$
 (12)

Since 
$$p^{J}(t) = f(t, x^{J}(t), p^{J}(t)), t \in J$$
 and using assumption (H1), we have  
 $||p^{r}(t) - p^{r-1}(t)|| = ||f(t, x^{r}(t), p^{r}(t)) - f(t, x^{r-1}(t), p^{r-1}(t))||$ 

$$\leq M ||x^{r}(t) - x^{r-1}(t)|| + N ||p^{r}(t) - p^{r-1}(t)|| = \theta ||x^{r}(t) - x^{r-1}(t)||, \quad t \in J.$$

Using the above estimate in inequality (13), we obtain

$$\begin{split} ||x^{r+1}(t) - x^{r}(t)|| &\leq \frac{\theta}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{1}^{t} (\log \frac{t}{s})^{\alpha-1} [||x^{r}(s) - x^{r-1}(s)||] \frac{ds}{s} \\ &\leq \frac{\theta}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{1}^{t} (\log \frac{t}{s})^{\alpha-1} [\frac{\varepsilon}{\theta} \frac{[\theta(\log s)^{\alpha}]^{r}}{\Gamma(r\alpha+1)}] \frac{ds}{s} \\ &= \frac{\varepsilon \theta^{r}}{\Gamma(r\alpha+1)} (\int_{1}^{t} (\log \frac{t}{s})^{\alpha-1} \frac{(\log s)^{r\alpha}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \frac{ds}{s}) \\ &= \frac{\varepsilon}{\theta} \frac{(\theta(\log t)^{\alpha})^{(r+1)}}{\Gamma(\alpha(r+1)+1)}, \quad t \in J, \end{split}$$

which is inequality (12) for j = r + 1. The proof of inequality (12) is completed by the principle of mathematical induction.

Furthermore, for any 
$$t \in J$$
, from inequality (12), we obtain

$$||x^{j}(t) - x^{j-1}(t)|| \le \frac{\varepsilon}{\theta} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{(\theta(\log T)^{\alpha})^{j}}{\Gamma(j\alpha+1)} \text{ and } j \in \mathbb{N}.$$

This gives

$$||x^{j}(t) - x^{j-1}(t)|| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{\theta} (E_{\alpha}(\theta(\log T)^{\alpha}) - 1).$$
(13)

Hence the series  $x^{0}(t) + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} [x^{j}(t) - x^{j-1}(t)]$  converges absolutely and uniformly on J with respect to the norm  $|| \cdot ||$ . Consider

$$x(t) = x^{0}(t) + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} [x^{j}(t) - x^{j-1}(t)], \quad t \in J.$$
(14)

Then

$$x^{r}(t) = x^{0}(t) + \sum_{j=1}^{r} \left[ x^{j}(t) - x^{j-1}(t) \right]$$

is the  $r^{th}$  partial sum of the series (15), and gives

$$\lim_{t \to \infty} ||x^{r}(t) - x(t)|| = 0, \text{ for all } t \in J.$$
(15)

Since convergence is uniform,  $x \in \mathbb{B}$ . We prove that the limit function x is a solution of

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \frac{y^{(k)}(1)}{\Gamma(k+1)} (\log t)^k + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_1^t (\log \frac{t}{s})^{\alpha-1} p(s) \frac{ds}{s}, \quad t \in J,$$

where  $p \in \mathbb{B}$  satisfies the functional equation  $p(t) = f(t, x(t), p(t)), t \in J$ . For any  $t \in J$ , we prove  $p^r \in \mathbb{B}$ ,  $(r = 0, 1, \dots)$  generated in (10) satisfies

 $\lim_{r \to \infty} ||p^{r}(t) - p(t)|| = 0.$ (16)

Using assumption (H1), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} ||p^{r}(t) - p(t)|| &= ||f(t, x^{r}(t), p^{r}(t)) - f(t, x(t), p(t))|| \\ &\leq M ||x^{r}(t) - x(t)|| + N ||p^{r}(t) - p(t)|| \\ &= \theta ||x^{r}(t) - x(t)||, \quad t \in J. \end{aligned}$$
(17)

Further, using equation (16), equation (17) can be easily proved. Again, by definition of successive approximations

$$\begin{split} \| x(t) - \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \frac{x_k}{\Gamma(k+1)} (\log t)^k + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_1^t (\log \frac{t}{s})^{\alpha-1} p(s) \frac{ds}{s} \| \\ = \| x(t) - x^j(t) + \mathfrak{I}_1^{\alpha} p^{j-1}(t) - \mathfrak{I}_1^{\alpha} p(t) \| \\ \leq \| |x(t) - x^j(t)| + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_1^t (\log \frac{t}{s})^{\alpha-1} \| p^{j-1}(s) - p(s)\| \frac{ds}{s}. \end{split}$$

Note that left hand side of above inequality is independent of j, taking limit as  $j \rightarrow \infty$ , we obtain

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \frac{y^{(k)}(1)}{\Gamma(k+1)} (\log t)^k + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_1^t (\log \frac{t}{s})^{\alpha-1} p(s) \frac{ds}{s}, \quad t \in J.$$
(18)

This means x(t) is solution of Problem (1) with initial condition

 $x^{(k)}(1) = y^{(k)}(1), \ x^{(k)}(1), y^{(k)}(1) \in \mathbb{R}^n, k = 0, 1, \cdots, m-1.$ 

Lastly, from inequality (14) with series (15), it follows that Problem (1) is Ulam-Hyers stable with

$$||y(t) - x(t)|| \le \left(\frac{E_{\alpha}(\theta(\log T)^{\alpha}) - 1}{\theta}\right)\varepsilon, \quad t \in J.$$
(19)

To prove uniqueness of solution x(t), assume that  $\bar{x}(t)$  is another solution of Problem (1) with initial condition  $\bar{x}^{(k)}(1) = y^{(k)}(1)$ ,  $x^{(k)}(1)$ ,  $y^{(k)}(1) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $k = 0, 1, \dots, m-1$ . Then

$$\bar{x}(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \frac{y^{(k)}(1)}{\Gamma(k+1)} (\log t)^k + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_1^t (\log \frac{t}{s})^{\alpha-1} \bar{p}(s) \frac{ds}{s}, \quad t \in J,$$
  
where  $\bar{p} \in \mathbb{B}$  satisfies  $\bar{p}(t) = f(t, \bar{x}(t), \bar{p}(t))$ . Therefore  
 $||x(t) - \bar{x}(t)|| \leq \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_1^t (\log \frac{t}{s})^{\alpha-1} ||p(s) - \bar{p}(s)|| \frac{ds}{s}, \quad t \in J.$ 

By hypothesis (H1),

$$||p(t) - \bar{p}(t)|| \le \theta ||x(t) - \bar{x}(t)||.$$

Hence

$$||x(t) - \bar{x}(t)|| \leq \frac{\theta}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_1^t \left( \log \frac{t}{s} \right)^{\alpha - 1} ||x(s) - \bar{x}(s)|| \frac{ds}{s}, \quad t \in J.$$

Applying Lemma 4 to above inequality with  $u(t) = ||x(t) - \bar{x}(t)||$  and a(t) = 0, we obtain  $||x(t) - \bar{x}(t)|| = 0$ , for all  $t \in J$ . The proof is completed.

**Corollary 1.** Suppose that all the assumptions of Theorem 1 are satisfied. Then Problem (1) is generalized Ulam-Hyers stable.

**Proof:** Let  $\psi(\varepsilon) = (\frac{E_{\alpha}(\theta(\log T)^{\alpha}) - 1}{\theta})\varepsilon$  in (19) then  $\psi(0) = 0$ . Thus, Problem (1) is generalized Ulam-Hyers stable.

**Theorem 2.** Suppose that (H1) and (H2) hold. Then for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $y: J \to \mathbb{R}^n$  in  $\mathbb{B}$  satisfying inequality (9), there exists a unique solution  $x: J \to \mathbb{R}^n$  in  $\mathbb{B}$  of Problem (1) with  $x^{(k)}(1) = y^{(k)}(1)$ ,  $k = 0, 1, \dots, m-1$ , that satisfies

$$||y(t) - x(t)|| \le \varepsilon(\frac{\kappa}{1 - \kappa \theta}) \Phi(t), \quad t \in J.$$

**Proof:** For every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , let  $y: J \to \mathbb{R}^n$  in  $\mathbb{B}$  satisfies inequality (9). Then there exists a function  $\sigma_y \in \mathbb{B}$  (depending on y) such that

 $||\sigma_y(t)|| \le \varepsilon \Phi(t)$ , and  $\mathfrak{D}_1^{\alpha} y(t) = f(t, y(t), \mathfrak{D}_1^{\alpha} y(t)) + \sigma_y(t)$ ,  $t \in J$ . By Lemma 5, y satisfies the fractional integral equation

$$y(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \frac{y^{(k)}(1)}{\Gamma(k+1)} (\log t)^k + \Im_1^{\alpha} p^0(t) + \Im_1^{\alpha} \sigma_y(t), \ t \in J,$$

where  $p^0 \in \mathbb{B}$  satisfies functional equation  $p^{(t)} = f(t, y(t), p^0(t)), t \in J$ .

Consider the sequence  $\{x^j\} \subseteq \mathbb{B}$  defined by (10) with  $x^0(t) = y(t), t \in J$ . By the principle of mathematical induction, we prove that

$$||x^{j}(t) - x^{j-1}(t)|| \le \frac{\varepsilon}{\alpha} (K\theta)^{j} \Phi(t), \quad j \in \mathbb{N}, t \in J.$$

$$(20)$$

First we show the inequality (21) is true for j = 1. For any  $t \in J$ , using definition of successive approximations and assumption (H2), we have

$$||x^{1}(t) - x^{0}(t)|| = ||x^{1}(t) - y(t)||$$
  
= ||\Im\_{1}^{\alpha} \sigma\_{y}(t)||

$$\leq \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{1}^{t} (\log \frac{t}{s})^{\alpha-1} ||\sigma_{y}(s)|| \frac{ds}{s}$$

$$\leq \frac{\varepsilon}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{1}^{t} (\log \frac{t}{s})^{\alpha-1} \Phi(s) \frac{ds}{s}$$

$$= \varepsilon || \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{1}^{t} (\log \frac{t}{s})^{\alpha-1} \Phi(s) \frac{ds}{s} ||$$

$$\leq \frac{\varepsilon}{\theta} (K\theta) \Phi(t), \quad t \in J.$$

Thus, inequality (21) holds for j = 1. Assume that inequality (21) is true for  $j = r, r \in$  $\mathbb N$  and using similar arguments as we presented in Theorem 1, we have

$$\begin{split} ||x^{r+1}(t) - x^{r}(t)|| &\leq \frac{\theta}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{1}^{t} (\log \frac{t}{s})^{\alpha - 1} ||x^{r}(s) - x^{r-1}(s)|| \frac{ds}{s} \\ &\leq \frac{\varepsilon}{\Gamma(\alpha)} (K\theta)^{r} \int_{1}^{t} (\log \frac{t}{s})^{\alpha - 1} \Phi(s) \frac{ds}{s} \\ &= \varepsilon (K\theta)^{r} \parallel \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{1}^{t} (\log \frac{t}{s})^{\alpha - 1} \Phi(s) \frac{ds}{s} \parallel \\ &\leq \varepsilon (K\theta)^{r} K \Phi(t). \end{split}$$

Therefore

$$|x^{r+1}(t) - x^r(t)|| \le \frac{\varepsilon}{\theta} (K\theta)^{r+1} \Phi(t), \quad t \in J,$$

which is inequality (21) for j = r + 1. By the principle of mathematical induction, inequality (21) is true for all j and the proof of inequality (21) is completed. Now using

inequality (21) and assumption  $0 < K\theta < 1$ , we have  $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} ||x^{j}(t) - x^{j-1}(t)|| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{\theta} (\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (\theta K)^{j}) \Phi(t) = \frac{\varepsilon}{\theta} (\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\theta K)^{j} - 1) \Phi(t).$ 

Therefore

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} ||x^{j}(t) - x^{j-1}(t)|| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{\theta} (\frac{1}{1-K\theta} - 1)\Phi(t) = \varepsilon(\frac{K}{1-K\theta})\Phi(t).$$
(21)

Since  $\Phi(t)$  is continuous on compact set *J*, it is bounded. Clearly, from above inequality (22), it follows that the series  $x^0(t) + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} [x^j(t) - x^{j-1}(t)]$  converges absolutely and uniformly on J, with respect to the norm  $|| \cdot ||$ . Define

$$x(t) = x^{0}(t) + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} [x^{j}(t) - x^{j-1}(t)], \quad t \in J,$$
and following the proof of Theorem 1, finally we obtain
$$\|u(t) - x(t)\| \le c \left( \int_{0}^{K} b(t) - t \le L \right)$$
(22)

$$||y(t) - x(t)|| \le \varepsilon(\frac{K}{1-K\theta})\Phi(t), \quad t \in J.$$

Corollary 2. Under hypothesis of Theorem 1, Problem (1) is generalized Ulam-Hyers -*Rassias stable with respect to*  $\Phi \in C(J, \mathbb{R}_+)$ . **Proof:** Set  $\varepsilon = 1$  and  $K_{f,\phi} = \frac{K}{1-K\theta}$ , it directly follows that Problem (1) is generalized

Ulam-Hyers-Rassias stable.

## 4. An example

Let  $\mathbb{R}^2$  be the normed space with the norm

 $||x|| = |x_1| + |x_2|, x = (x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2.$ Consider the following nonlinear implicit fractional initial value problem

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathfrak{D}_{1}^{\frac{5}{2}}x(t) = f(t, x(t), \mathfrak{D}_{1}^{\frac{5}{2}}x(t)), & t \in [1, e], \\ x^{(k)}(1) = x_{k}, & x_{k} \in \mathbb{R}^{2}, k = 0, 1, 2, \\ cl \to \mathbb{R}^{2} \text{ and a perturbation } f_{1}[1, c] \times \mathbb{R}^{2} \times \mathbb{R}^{2} \to \mathbb{R}^{2} \text{ as} \end{cases}$$
(23)

where  $x: [1, e] \to \mathbb{R}^2$  and a nonlinear function  $f: [1, e] \times \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}^2$  as

$$\begin{split} f(t,x(t),\mathfrak{D}_{1}^{\frac{5}{2}}x(t)) &= f(t,(x_{1}(t),x_{2}(t)),(\mathfrak{D}_{1}^{\frac{5}{2}}x_{1}(t),\mathfrak{D}_{1}^{\frac{5}{2}}x_{1}(t)))\\ &= (\frac{\log(2+t)}{1+|x_{1}(t)|+|x_{2}(t)|},\frac{|\mathfrak{D}_{1}^{\frac{5}{2}}x_{1}(t)|+|\mathfrak{D}_{1}^{\frac{5}{2}}x_{2}(t)|}{e^{t^{2}+1}(1+|\mathfrak{D}_{1}^{\frac{5}{2}}x_{1}(t)|+|\mathfrak{D}_{1}^{\frac{5}{2}}x_{2}(t)|)},\ t\in[1,e]. \end{split}$$

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For any 
$$x = (x_1, x_2), y = (y_1, y_2), \bar{x} = (\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2), \bar{y} = (\bar{y}_1, \bar{y}_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$$
, we have  

$$\begin{aligned} & ||f(t, x, y) - f(t, \bar{x}, \bar{y})|| \leq ||f(t, (x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2), (\bar{y}_1, \bar{y}_2))|| \\ &= \| \left( \frac{\log(2+t)}{1+|x_1|+|x_2|}, \frac{|y_1|+|y_2|}{e^{t^2+1}(1+|y_1|+|y_2|)} \right) \\ & - \left( \frac{\log(2+t)}{1+|\bar{x}_1|+|\bar{x}_2|}, \frac{|\bar{y}_1|+|\bar{y}_2|}{e^{t^2+1}(1+|\bar{y}_1|+|\bar{y}_2|)} \right) \| \\ &= \| \left( \log(2+t) \left[ \frac{1}{1+|x_1|+|x_2|} - \frac{1}{1+|\bar{x}_1|+|\bar{x}_2|} \right] \right) \\ & \frac{1}{e^{t^2+1}} \left[ \frac{|y_1|+|y_2|}{1+|y_1|+|y_2|} - \frac{|\bar{y}_1|+|\bar{y}_2|}{1+|\bar{y}_1|+|\bar{y}_2|} \right] \right) \| \\ &= \| \left( \log(2+t) \left[ \frac{|\bar{x}_1|-|x_1|+|\bar{x}_2|-|x_2|}{(1+|x_1|+|x_2|)(1+|\bar{x}_1|+|\bar{x}_2|)} \right] \right) \\ & \frac{1}{e^{t^2+1}} \left[ \frac{|y_1|-|\bar{y}_1|+|y_2|-|\bar{y}_2|}{(1+|y_1|+|y_2|)(1+|\bar{x}_1|+|\bar{x}_2|)} \right] \right) \\ &= \log(2+t) \left| \frac{|\bar{x}_1|-|x_1|+|\bar{x}_2|}{(1+|x_1|+|x_2|)(1+|\bar{x}_1|+|\bar{x}_2|)} \right| \\ &+ \frac{1}{e^{t^2+1}} \left| \frac{|y_1|-|\bar{y}_1|+|y_2|-|\bar{y}_2|}{(1+|y_1|+|y_2|-|\bar{y}_2|)} \right| . \end{aligned}$$

For any 
$$a, b \ge 0$$
, we have  $1 \le (1 + a + b)$ . Therefore  
 $||f(t, x, y) - f(t, \bar{x}, \bar{y})|| \le \log(2 + t)|(|\bar{x}_1| - |x_1| + |\bar{x}_2| - |x_2|)|$   
 $+ \frac{1}{e^{t^2 + 1}}|(|y_1| - |\bar{y}_1| + |y_2| - |\bar{y}_2|)|$   
 $\le \log(2 + t)||(||\bar{x}|| - ||x||)|| + \frac{1}{e^{t^2 + 1}}||(||y|| - ||\bar{y}||)||$   
 $\le \log(2 + e)||\bar{x} - x|| + \frac{1}{e^2}||y - \bar{y}||.$ 

Thus, function f satisfies condition (H1) with  $M = \log(2 + e) > 0$  and  $0 < N = \frac{1}{e^2} < 1$ 1. By Theorem 1 [11], Problem (24) has a unique solution on [1, e].

Moreover, as shown in Theorem 1, for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  if  $y: [1, e] \to \mathbb{R}^2$  satisfies  $\frac{5}{2}$ 

$$||\mathfrak{D}_{1}^{\overline{2}}x(t) - f(t, x(t), \mathfrak{D}_{1}^{\overline{2}}x(t))|| \le \varepsilon, \quad t \in [1, e],$$
there exists a unique solution  $x: [1, e] \to \mathbb{R}^{2}$  such that
$$(24)$$

$$||y(t) - x(t)|| \le \left(\frac{E_{\frac{5}{2}}(\theta(\log e)^{\frac{3}{2}}) - 1}{\theta}\right)\varepsilon, \text{ for all } t \in [1, e],$$

where  $\theta = \frac{M}{1-N} = \frac{e^2 \log(2+e)}{(e^2-1)}$ . Hence problem (24) is Ulam-Hyers stable.

Next, by corollary 2,  $\psi(\varepsilon) = \frac{\frac{E_5(\theta)-1}{2}}{\theta} \varepsilon$  then  $\psi(0) = 0$  which means Problem (24) is generalized Ulam-Hyers stable.

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