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Expansive Mappings and Their Applications in Modular Space

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Some fixed point theorems for ρ-expansive mappings in modular spaces are presented. As an application, two nonlinear integral equations are considered and the existence of their solutions is proved.

1. Introduction

Let (X, d) be a metric space and B a subset of X. A mapping $T : B \rightarrow X$ is said to be expansive with a constant $k > 1$ such that

$$d(Tx, Ty) \geq kd(x, y) \quad \forall x, y \in B. \tag{1}$$

Xiang and Yuan [1] state a Krasnosel'skii-type fixed point theorem as follows.

Theorem 1 (see [1]). *Let $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ be a Banach space and $K \subset X$ a nonempty, closed, and convex subset. Suppose that T and S map K into X such that*

(I) S is continuous; $S(K)$ resides in a compact subset of X;

(II) T is an expansive mapping;

(III) $z \in S(K)$ implies that $T(K) + z \supset K$, where $T(K) + z = \{y + z \mid y \in T(K)\}$.

Then there exists a point $x^* \in K$ with $Sx^* + Tx^* = x^*$.

For other related results, see also [2, 3].

In this paper, we study some fixed point theorems for $S+T$, where T is ρ-expansive and $S(B)$ resides in a compact subset of X_ρ, where B is a closed, convex, and nonempty subset of X_ρ and $T, S : B \rightarrow X_\rho$. Our results improve the classical version of Krasnosel'skii fixed point theorems in modular spaces.

Finally, as an application, we study the existence of a solution of some nonlinear integral equations in modular function spaces.

In order to do this, first, we recall the definition of modular space (see [4–6]).

Definition 2. Let X be an arbitrary vector space over $K = (\mathbb{R}$ or $\mathbb{C})$. Then we have the following.

(a) A functional $\rho : X \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ is called modular if

(i) $\rho(x) = 0$ if and only if $x = 0$;

(ii) $\rho(\alpha x) = \rho(x)$ for $\alpha \in K$ with $|\alpha| = 1$, for all $x \in X$;

(iii) $\rho(\alpha x + \beta y) \leq \rho(x) + \rho(y)$ if $\alpha, \beta \geq 0, \alpha + \beta = 1$, for all $x, y \in X$.

If (iii) is replaced by

(iii)$'$ $\rho(\alpha x + \beta y) \leq \alpha \rho(x) + \beta \rho(y)$ for $\alpha, \beta \geq 0, \alpha + \beta = 1$, for all $x, y \in X$, then the modular ρ is called a convex modular.

(b) A modular ρ defines a corresponding modular space, that is, the space X_ρ given by

$$X_\rho = \{x \in X \mid \rho(\alpha x) \longrightarrow 0 \text{ as } \alpha \longrightarrow 0\}. \tag{2}$$

(c) If ρ is convex modular, the modular X_ρ can be equipped with a norm called the Luxemburg norm defined by

$$\|x\|_\rho = \inf \left\{ \alpha > 0; \ \rho\left(\frac{x}{\alpha}\right) \leq 1 \right\}. \tag{3}$$

Remark 3. Note that ρ is an increasing function. Suppose that $0 < a < b$; then property (iii), with $y = 0$, shows that $\rho(ax) = \rho((a/b)(bx)) \leq \rho(bx)$.

Definition 4. Let X_ρ be a modular space. Then we have the following.

(a) A sequence $(x_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ in X_ρ is said to be

  (i) ρ-convergent to x if $\rho(x_n - x) \to 0$ as $n \to \infty$;
  (ii) ρ-Cauchy if $\rho(x_n - x_m) \to 0$ as $n, m \to \infty$.

(b) X_ρ is ρ-complete if every ρ-Cauchy sequence is ρ-convergent.

(c) A subset $B \subset X_\rho$ is said to be ρ-closed if for any sequence $(x_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}} \subset B$ and $x_n \to x$ then $x \in B$.

(d) A subset $B \subset X_\rho$ is called ρ-bounded if $\delta_\rho(B) = \sup \rho(x - y) < \infty$, for all $x, y \in B$, where $\delta_\rho(B)$ is called the ρ-diameter of B.

(e) ρ has the Fatou property if

$$\rho(x - y) \le \liminf \rho(x_n - y_n), \tag{4}$$

whenever $x_n \to x$ and $y_n \to y$ as $n \to \infty$.

(f) ρ is said to satisfy the Δ_2-condition if $\rho(2x_n) \to 0$ whenever $\rho(x_n) \to 0$ as $n \to \infty$.

2. Expansive Mapping in Modular Space

In 2005, Hajji and Hanebaly [7] presented a modular version of Krasnosel'skii fixed point theorem, for a ρ-contraction and a ρ-completely continuous mapping.

Using the same argument as in [1], we state the modular version of Krasnosel'skii fixed point theorem for $S + T$, where T is a ρ-expansive mapping and the image of B under S; that is, $S(B)$ resides in a compact subset of X_ρ, where B is a subset of X_ρ.

Due to this, we recall the following definitions and theorems.

Definition 5. Let X_ρ be a modular space and B a nonempty subset of X_ρ. The mapping $T : B \to X_\rho$ is called ρ-expansive mapping, if there exist constants $c, k, l \in \mathbb{R}^+$ such that $c > l$, $k > 1$ and

$$\rho(l(Tx - Ty)) \ge k\rho(c(x - y)), \tag{5}$$

for all $x, y \in B$.

Example 6. Let $X_\rho = B = \mathbb{R}^+$ and consider $T : B \to B$ with $Tx = x^n + 4x + 5$ for $x \in B$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then for all $x, y \in B$, we have

$$|Tx - Ty| = |x^n - y^n + 4(x - y)|$$

$$= |(x - y)(x^{n-1} + yx^{n-2} + \cdots + y^{n-1}) + 4(x - y)|$$

$$\ge 4|x - y|. \tag{6}$$

Therefore T is an expansive mapping with constant $k = 4$.

Theorem 7 (Schauder's fixed point theorem, page 825; see [1, 8]). *Let $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ be a Banach space and $K \subset X$ is a nonempty, closed, and convex subset. Suppose that the mapping $S : K \to K$ is continuous and $S(K)$ resides in a compact subset of X. Then S has at least one fixed point in K.*

We need the following theorem from [6, 9].

Theorem 8 (see [6, 9]). *Let X_ρ be a ρ-complete modular space. Assume that ρ is a convex modular satisfying the Δ_2-condition and B is a nonempty, ρ-closed, and convex subset of X_ρ. $T : B \to B$ is a mapping such that there exist $c, k, l \in \mathbb{R}^+$ such that $c > l$, $0 < k < 1$ and for all $x, y \in B$ one has*

$$\rho(c(Tx - Ty)) \le k\rho(l(x - y)). \tag{7}$$

Then there exists a unique fixed point $z \in B$ such that $Tz = z$.

Theorem 9. *Let X_ρ be a ρ-complete modular space. Assume that ρ is a convex modular satisfying the Δ_2-condition and B is a nonempty, ρ-closed, and convex subset of X_ρ. $T : B \to X_\rho$ is a ρ-expansive mapping satisfying inequality (5) and $B \subset T(B)$. Then there exists a unique fixed point $z \in B$ such that $Tz = z$.*

Proof. We show that operator T is a bijection from B to $T(B)$. Let x_1 and x_2 be in B such that $Tx_1 = Tx_2$; by inequality (5), we have $x_1 = x_2$; also since $B \subset T(B)$ it follows that the inverse of $T : B \to T(B)$ exists. For all $x, y \in T(B)$,

$$\rho(c(fx - fy)) \le \frac{1}{k}\rho(l(x - y)), \tag{8}$$

where $f = T^{-1}$. We consider $f = T^{-1}|_B : B \to B$, where $T^{-1}|_B$ denotes the restriction of the mapping T^{-1} to the set B. Since $B \subset T(B)$, then f is a ρ-contraction. Also since B is a ρ-closed subset of X_ρ, then, by Theorem 8, there exists a $z \in B$ such that $fz = z$. Also z is a fixed point of T.

For uniqueness, let z and w be two arbitrary fixed points of T; then

$$\rho(c(z - w)) \ge \rho(l(z - w)) = \rho(l(Tz - Tw))$$
$$\ge k\rho(c(z - w)); \tag{9}$$

hence $(k - 1)\rho(c(z - w)) \le 0$ and $z = w$. □

We need the following lemma for the main result.

Lemma 10. *Suppose that all conditions of Theorem 9 are fulfilled. Then the inverse of $f := I - T : B \to (I - T)(B)$ exists and*

$$\rho\left(c\left(f^{-1}x - f^{-1}y\right)\right) \le \frac{1}{k-1}\rho(l'(x - y)), \tag{10}$$

for all $x, y \in f(B)$, where $l' = \alpha l$ and α is conjugate of c/l; that is, $(l/c) + (1/\alpha) = 1$ and $c > 2l$.

Proof. For all $x, y \in B$,

$$\rho(l(Tx - Ty)) = \rho(l((x - fx) - (y - fy)))$$
$$\le \rho(c(x - y)) + \rho(\alpha l(fx - fy)); \tag{11}$$

$$k\rho(c(x - y)) - \rho(c(x - y)) \le \rho(\alpha l(fx - fy)),$$

then

$$(k-1)\,\rho\left(c\left(x-y\right)\right) \le \rho\left(l'\left(fx-fy\right)\right). \qquad (12)$$

Now, we show that f is an injective operator. Let $x, y \in B$ and $fx = fy$; then by inequality (12), $(k-1)\rho(c(x-y)) \le 0$ and $x = y$. Therefore f is an injective operator from B into $f(B)$, and the inverse of $f : B \to f(B)$ exists. Also for all $x, y \in f(B)$, we have $f^{-1}x, f^{-1}y \in B$. Then for all $x, y \in f(B)$, by inequality (12) we get

$$\rho\left(c\left(f^{-1}x - f^{-1}y\right)\right) \le \frac{1}{k-1}\rho\left(l'\left(x-y\right)\right). \qquad (13)$$

$\square$

Theorem 11. *Let X_ρ be a ρ-complete modular space. Assume that ρ is a convex modular satisfying the Δ_2-condition and B is a nonempty, ρ-closed, and convex subset of X_ρ. Suppose that*

(I) *$S : B \to X_\rho$ is a ρ-continuous mapping and $S(B)$ resides in a ρ-compact subset of X_ρ;*

(II) *$T : B \to X_\rho$ is a ρ-expansive mapping satisfying inequality (5) such that $c > 2l$;*

(III) *$x \in S(B)$ implies that $B \subset x + T(B)$, where $T(B) + x = \{y + x \mid y \in T(B)\}$.*

There exists a point $z \in B$ such that $Sz + Tz = z$.

Proof. Let $w \in S(B)$ and $T_w = T + w$. Consider the mapping $T_w : B \to X_\rho$; then by Theorem 9, the equation $Tx + w = x$ has a unique solution $x = \eta(w)$. Now, we show that η is a ρ-contraction. For $w_1, w_2 \in S(B)$, $T(\eta(w_1)) + w_1 = \eta(w_1)$ and $T(\eta(w_2)) + w_2 = \eta(w_2)$. Applying the same technique in Lemma 10,

$$(k-1)\,\rho\left(c\left(\eta\left(w_1\right) - \eta\left(w_2\right)\right)\right) \le \rho\left(l'\left(w_1 - w_2\right)\right), \qquad (14)$$

where $l' = \alpha l$. Then

$$\rho\left(c\left(\eta\left(w_1\right) - \eta\left(w_2\right)\right)\right) \le \frac{1}{k-1}\rho\left(l'\left(w_1 - w_2\right)\right). \qquad (15)$$

Therefore, mapping $\eta : S(B) \to B$ is a ρ-contraction and hence is a ρ-continuous mapping. By condition (I), $\eta S : B \to B$ is also ρ-continuous mapping and, by Δ_2-condition, ηS is $\|\cdot\|_\rho$-continuous mapping. Also $\eta S(B)$ resides in a $\|\cdot\|_\rho$-compact subset of X_ρ. Then using Theorem 7, there exists a $z \in B$ such that $z = \eta(S(z))$ which implies that $Tz + Sz = z$. $\square$

The following theorem is another version of Theorem 11.

Theorem 12. *Let X_ρ be a ρ-complete modular space. Assume that ρ is a convex modular satisfying the Δ_2-condition and B is a nonempty, ρ-closed, and convex subset of X_ρ. Suppose that*

(I) *$S : B \to X_\rho$ is a ρ-continuous mapping and $S(B)$ resides in a ρ-compact subset of X_ρ;*

(II) *$T : B \to X_\rho$ or $T : X_\rho \to X_\rho$ is a ρ-expansive mapping satisfying inequality (5) such that $c > 2l$;*

(III) *$S(B) \subset (I - T)(X_\rho)$ and $[x = Tx + Sy, y \in B$ implies that $x \in B]$ or $S(B) \subset (I - T)(B)$.*

Then there exists a point $z \in B$ such that $Sz + Tz = z$.

Proof. By condition (III), for each $w \in B$, there exists $x \in X_\rho$ such that $x - Tx = Sw$. If $S(B) \subset (I - T)(B)$, then $x \in B$; if $S(B) \subset (I - T)(X_\rho)$, then by Lemma 10 and condition (III), $x = (I - T)^{-1}Sw \in B$. Now $(I - T)^{-1}$ is a ρ-continuous and so $(I - T)^{-1}S$ is a ρ-continuous mapping of B into B. Since $S(B)$ resides in a ρ-compact subset of X_ρ, so $(I-T)^{-1}S(B)$ resides in a ρ-compact subset of the closed set B. By using Theorem 7, there exists a fixed point $z \in B$ such that $z = (I - T)^{-1}Sz$. $\square$

Using the same argument as in [2], we can state a new version of Theorem 11, where S is ρ-sequentially continuous.

Definition 13. Let X_ρ be a modular space and B a subset of X_ρ. A mapping $T : B \to X_\rho$ is said to be

(1) ρ-sequentially continuous on the set B if for every sequence $\{x_n\} \subset B$ and $x \in B$ such that $\rho(x_n - x) \to 0$, then $\rho(Tx_n - Tx) \to 0$;

(2) ρ-closed if for every sequence $\{x_n\} \subset B$ such that $\rho(x_n - x) \to 0$ and $\rho(Tx_n - y) \to 0$, then $Tx = y$.

Definition 14. Let X_ρ be a modular space and B, C two subsets of X_ρ. Suppose that $T : B \to X_\rho$ and $S : C \to X_\rho$ are two mappings. Define

$$F = \{x \in B : x = Tx + Sy \text{ for some } y \in C\}. \qquad (16)$$

Theorem 15. *Let X_ρ be a ρ-complete modular space. Assume that ρ is a convex modular satisfying the Δ_2-condition and B is a nonempty, ρ-closed, and convex subset of X_ρ. Suppose that*

(I) *$S : B \to X_\rho$ is ρ-sequentially continuous;*

(II) *$T : B \to X_\rho$ is a ρ-expansive mapping satisfying inequality (5) such that $c > 2l$;*

(III) *$x \in S(B)$ implies that $B \subset x + T(B)$, where $T(B) + x = \{y + x \mid y \in T(B)\}$;*

(IV) *T is ρ-closed in F and F is relatively ρ-compact.*

Then there exists a point $z \in B$ such that $Sz + Tz = z$.

Proof. Let $w \in B$, and $T_{Sw} = T + Sw$. One considers the mapping $T_{Sw} : B \to X_\rho$; by Theorem 9, the equation

$$Tx + Sw = x \qquad (17)$$

has a unique solution $x = \eta(Sw) \in B$.

Now, we show that $\eta S = (I - T)^{-1}$ exists. For any $w_1, w_2 \in B$ and by the same technique of Lemma 10, we have

$$\rho\left(c\left(\eta\left(Sw_1\right) - \eta\left(Sw_2\right)\right)\right) \le \frac{1}{k-1}\rho\left(l'\left(w_1 - w_2\right)\right), \qquad (18)$$

where $l' = \alpha l$. This implies that $\eta S = (I - T)^{-1}$ exists and for all $w \in B$, $\eta Sw = (I - T)^{-1}Sw$ and $\eta S(B) \subset F$.

We show that ηS is ρ-sequentially continuous in B. Let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence in B and $x \in B$ such that $\rho(x_n - x) \to 0$. Since $\eta S(x_n) \in F$ and F is relatively ρ-compact, then there exists $z \in B$ such that $\rho(\eta Sx_n - z) \to 0$. On the other hand, by condition (I), $\rho(Sx_n - Sx) \to 0$. Thus by (17), we get

$$T\left(\eta Sx_n\right) + Sx_n = \eta Sx_n; \qquad (19)$$

then

$$\rho\left(\frac{T(\eta Sx_n) - (z - Sx)}{2}\right) = \rho\left(\frac{(\eta Sx_n - Sx_n) - (z - Sx)}{2}\right)$$

$$\leq \rho(\eta Sx_n - z) + \rho(Sx_n - Sx); \tag{20}$$

therefore when $n \to \infty$, condition (IV) implies that $Tz = z - Sx$; that is, $z = \eta Sx$ and

$$\rho(\eta Sx_n - \eta Sx) \longrightarrow 0; \tag{21}$$

then ηS is ρ-sequentially continuous in F. By Δ_2-condition, ηS is $\|\cdot\|_\rho$-sequentially continuous. Let $H = \overline{co}^{\|\cdot\|_\rho} F$, where $\overline{co}^{\|\cdot\|_\rho}$ denotes the closure of the convex hull in the sense of $\|\cdot\|_\rho$. Then $H \subset B$ and is a compact set. Therefore ηS is $\|\cdot\|_\rho$-sequentially continuous from H into H. Then using Theorem 7, ηS has a fixed point $z \in H$ such that $\eta Sz = z$. From (17), we have

$$T(\eta Sz) + Sz = \eta Sz; \tag{22}$$

that is, $Tz + Sz = z$. □

The following theorem is another version of Theorem 15.

Theorem 16. *Let X_ρ be a ρ-complete modular space. Assume that ρ is a convex modular satisfying the Δ_2-condition and B is a nonempty, ρ-closed, and convex subset of X_ρ. Suppose that*

(I) *$S : B \to X_\rho$ is ρ-sequentially continuous;*

(II) *$T : B \to X_\rho$ is a ρ-expansive mapping satisfying inequality (5), such that $c > 2l$;*

(III) *$S(B) \subset (I - T)(X_\rho)$ and $[x = Tx + Sy, y \in B]$ implies that $x \in B$ (or $S(B) \subset (I - T)(B)$).*

(IV) *T is ρ-closed in F and F is relatively ρ-compact.*

Then there exists a point $z \in B$ such that $Sz + Tz = z$.

Proof. By (III) for each $w \in B$, there exists $x \in X_\rho$ such that $x - Tx = Sw$ and $x = (I - T)^{-1}Sw \in B$. By the same technique of Theorem 15, $(I - T)^{-1}S : B \to B$ is ρ-sequentially continuous and there exists a $z \in B$ such that $z = (I - T)^{-1}Sz$. □

3. Integral Equation for ρ-Expansive Mapping in Modular Function Spaces

In this section, we study the following integral equation:

$$x(t) = \phi(t, x(t)) + \int_0^t \psi(t, s, x(s)) \, ds, \quad x \in C(I, L^\varphi), \tag{23}$$

where L^φ is the Musielak-Orlicz space and $I = [0, b] \subset \mathbb{R}$. $C(I, L^\varphi)$ denote the space of all ρ-continuous functions from I to L^φ with the modular $\sigma(x) = \sup_{t \in I} \rho(x(t))$. Also $C(I, L^\varphi)$ is a real vector space. If ρ is a convex modular, then σ is a

convex modular. Also, if ρ satisfies the Fatou property and Δ_2-condition, then σ satisfies the Fatou property and Δ_2-condition (see [9]).

To study the integral equation (23), we consider the following hypotheses.

(1) $\phi : I \times L^\varphi \to L^\varphi$ is a ρ-expansive mapping; that is, there exist constants $c, k, l \in \mathbb{R}^+$ such that $c > 2l, k \geq 2$ and for all $x, y \in L^\varphi$

$$\rho(l(\phi(t, x) - \phi(t, y))) \geq k\rho(c(x - y)) \tag{24}$$

and ϕ is onto. Also for $t \in I$, $\phi(t, \cdot) : L^\varphi \to L^\varphi$ is ρ-continuous.

(2) ψ is a function from $I \times I \times L^\varphi$ into L^φ such that $\psi(t, s, \cdot) : x \to \psi(t, s, x)$ is ρ-continuous on L^φ for almost all $t, s \in I$ and $\psi(t, \cdot, x) : s \to \psi(t, s, x)$ is measurable function on I for each $x \in L^\varphi$ and for almost all $t \in I$. Also, there are nondecreasing continuous functions $\beta, \gamma : I \to \mathbb{R}^+$ such that

$$\lim_{t \to \infty} \beta(t) \int_0^t \gamma(s) \, ds = 0,$$
$$\rho(c(\psi(t, s, x))) \leq \beta(t)\gamma(s), \tag{25}$$

for all $t, s \in I$, $s \leq t$ and $x \in L^\varphi$.

(3) There exists measurable function $\eta : I \times I \times I \to \mathbb{R}^+$ such that

$$\rho(\psi(t, s, x) - \psi(r, s, x)) \leq \eta(t, r, s), \tag{26}$$

for all $t, r, s \in I$ and $x \in L^\varphi$; also $\lim_{t \to r} \int_0^b \eta(t, r, s) \, ds = 0$.

(4) $\rho(\psi(t, s, x) - \psi(t, s, y)) \leq \rho(x - y)$ for all $t, s \in I$ and $x, y \in L^\varphi$.

Remark 17 (see [7]). We consider L^φ, the Musielak-Orlicz space. Since ρ is convex and satisfies the Δ_2-condition, then

$$\|x_n - x\|_\rho \longrightarrow 0 \Longleftrightarrow \rho(x_n - x) \longrightarrow 0, \tag{27}$$

as $n \to \infty$ on L^φ. This implies that the topologies generated by $\|\cdot\|_\rho$ and ρ are equivalent.

Theorem 18. *Suppose that the conditions (1)–(4) are satisfied. Further assume that L^φ satisfies the Δ_2-condition. Also $\omega(t) = \beta(t) \int_0^t \gamma(s) \, ds$ and $\omega(0) = 0$; also $\sup\{\rho(c(\phi(t, v))), t \in I, v \in L^\varphi\} \leq \omega(t)$. Then integral equation (23) has at least one solution $x \in C(I, L^\varphi)$.*

Proof. Suppose that

$$Tx(t) = \phi(t, x(t)),$$
$$Sx(t) = \int_0^t \psi(t, s, x(s)) \, ds. \tag{28}$$

Conditions (1) and (2) imply that T and S are well defined on $C(I, L^\varphi)$. Define the set $B = \{x \in C(I, L^\varphi); \rho(c(x(t))) \leq$

$\omega(t)$ *for all* $t \in I$}. Then B is a nonempty, ρ-bounded, ρ-closed, and convex subset of $C(I, L^\varphi)$. Equation (23) is equivalent to the fixed point problem $x = Tx + Sx$. By Theorem 12, we find the fixed point for $T + S$ in B. Due to this, we prove that S satisfies the condition (I) of Theorem 12. For $x \in B$, we show that $Sx \in B$. Indeed,

$$
\begin{aligned}
\rho(c(Sx(t))) &= \rho\left(c\left(\int_0^t \psi(t, s, x(s))\, ds\right)\right) \\
&\leq \int_0^t \rho(c(\psi(t, s, x(s))))\, ds \\
&\leq \int_0^t \beta(t)\, \gamma(s)\, ds \\
&= \omega(t);
\end{aligned}
\tag{29}
$$

then $Sx \in B$. Since $S(B) \subset B$ and B is ρ-bounded, $S(B)$ is σ-bounded and by Δ_2-condition $\|\cdot\|_\sigma$-bounded.

We show that $S(B)$ is ρ-equicontinuous. For all $t, r \in I$ and $x \in L^\varphi$ such that $t < r$,

$$
Sx(t) - Sx(r) = \int_0^t \psi(t, s, x(s))\, ds - \int_0^r \psi(r, s, x(s))\, ds;
\tag{30}
$$

then by condition (3),

$$
\rho(Sx(t) - Sx(r)) \leq \int_0^b \eta(t, r, s)\, ds;
\tag{31}
$$

since $\lim_{t \to r} \int_0^b \eta(t, r, s)\, ds = 0$, then $S(B)$ is ρ-equicontinuous. By using the Arzela-Ascoli theorem, we obtain that S is a σ-compact mapping. Next, we show that S is σ-continuous. Suppose that $\varepsilon > 0$ is given; we find a $\delta > 0$ such that $\sigma(x - y) < \delta$, for some $x, y \in B$. Note that

$$
Sx(t) - Sy(t) = \int_0^t \psi(t, s, x(s))\, ds - \int_0^t \psi(t, s, y(s))\, ds;
\tag{32}
$$

also

$$
\rho(Sx(t) - Sy(t)) \leq \int_0^t \rho(x(s) - y(s))\, ds \leq \int_0^t \sigma(x - y)\, ds;
\tag{33}
$$

then

$$
\sigma(Sx - Sy) \leq \int_0^b \sigma(x - y)\, ds \leq \varepsilon;
\tag{34}
$$

therefore S is σ-continuous.

Since ϕ is ρ-continuous, it shows that T transforms $C(I, L^\varphi)$ into itself. In view of supremum ρ and condition (1), it is easy to see that T is σ-expansive with constant $k \geq 2$. For $x, y \in B$,

$$
\begin{aligned}
\rho(l(Tx(t) - Ty(t))) \\
\leq \rho(c(x(t) - y(t))) \\
+ \rho(\alpha l((I - T)x(t) - (I - T)y(t)));
\end{aligned}
\tag{35}
$$

then

$$
\begin{aligned}
\rho(\alpha l((I - T)x(t) - (I - T)y(t))) \\
\geq (k - 1)\rho(c(x(t) - y(t))),
\end{aligned}
\tag{36}
$$

where α is conjugate of c/l. Let $r = \alpha l$; since $k \geq 2$, then

$$
\rho(r(I - T)x(t)) \geq (k - 1)\rho(c(x(t))) \geq \rho(c(x(t))).
\tag{37}
$$

Now, assume that $x = Tx + Sy$ for some $y \in B$. Since $c > 2l$, then $r < c$, and

$$
\begin{aligned}
\rho(c(x(t))) &\leq \rho(r(I - T)x(t)) = \rho(r(Sy(t))) \\
&\leq \rho(c(Sy(t))) \leq \omega(t),
\end{aligned}
\tag{38}
$$

which shows that $x \in B$. Now, define a map T_z as follows:

$$
T_z : C(I, L^\varphi) \longrightarrow C(I, L^\varphi),
\tag{39}
$$

for each $z \in C(I, L^\varphi)$; by

$$
T_z x(t) = Tx(t) + z(t),
\tag{40}
$$

for all $x, y \in C(I, L^\varphi)$,

$$
\begin{aligned}
\rho(l(T_z x(t) - T_z y(t))) &= \rho(l(Tx(t) - Ty(t))) \\
&\geq k\rho(c(x(t) - y(t)));
\end{aligned}
\tag{41}
$$

therefore

$$
\sigma(l(T_z x - T_z y)) \geq k\sigma(c(x - y));
\tag{42}
$$

then T_z is σ-expansive with constant $k \geq 2$ and T_z is onto. By Theorem 9, there exists $w \in C(I, L^\varphi)$ such that $T_z w = w$; that is, $(I - T)w = z$. Hence $S(B) \subset (I - T)(L^\varphi)$ and condition (III) of Theorem 12 holds. Therefore by Theorem 12, $S + T$ has a fixed point $z \in B$ with $Tz + Sz = z$; that is, z is a solution to (23). □

Now, we consider another integral equation.

Let L^φ be the Musielak-Orlicz space and $I = [0, b] \subset \mathbb{R}$. Suppose that ρ is convex and satisfies the Δ_2-condition. Since topologies generated by $\|\cdot\|_\rho$ and ρ are equivalent, then we consider Banach space $(L^\varphi, \|\cdot\|_\rho)$ and $C(I, L^\varphi)$ denote the space of all $\|\cdot\|_\rho$-continuous functions from I to L^φ with the modular $\|x\|_\sigma = \sup_{t \in I} \|x(t)\|_\rho$; also $C(I, L^\varphi)$ is a real vector space. Consider the nonlinear integral equation

$$
\begin{aligned}
x(t) &= \phi(t, x(t)) \\
&\quad + \lambda(t, x(t)) \int_0^t \omega(t, s)\, \psi(s, x(s))\, ds,
\end{aligned}
\tag{43}
$$

$$
x \in C(I, L^\varphi),
$$

where

(1) $\phi : I \times L^\varphi \to L^\varphi$ is a $\|\cdot\|_\rho$-expansive mapping; that is, there exists constant $l \geq 2$ such that

$$
\|\phi(t, x) - \phi(t, y)\|_\rho \geq l\|x - y\|_\rho,
\tag{44}
$$

for all $x, y \in L^\varphi$ and ϕ is onto; also for $t \in I$, $\phi(t, \cdot) :$ $L^\varphi \to L^\varphi$ is $\|\cdot\|_\rho$-continuous;

(2) ψ is function from $I \times L^\varphi$ into L^φ such that $\psi(t, \cdot) :$ $L^\varphi \to L^\varphi$ is a $\|\cdot\|_\rho$-continuous and $t \to \psi(t, x)$ is measurable for every $x \in L^\varphi$. Also, there exist functions $\beta \in L^1(I)$ and a nondecreasing continuous function $\gamma : [0, \infty) \to (0, \infty)$ such that

$$\|\psi(t, x)\|_\rho \le \beta(t) \gamma\left(\|x\|_\rho\right), \tag{45}$$

for all $t \in I$ and $x \in L^\varphi$. Also for $t \in I$, $x \to \psi(t, x)$ is nondecreasing on L^φ;

(3) λ is function from $I \times L^\varphi$ into L^φ such that $\lambda(t, \cdot) :$ $L^\varphi \to L^\varphi$ is $\|\cdot\|_\rho$-continuous and there exists a $a \ge 0$ such that

$$\|\lambda(t, x) - \lambda(t, y)\|_\rho \le a \|x - y\|_\rho, \tag{46}$$

for all $t \in I$ and $x \in L^\varphi$; also for $x \in L^\varphi$, $t \to \lambda(t, x)$ is nondecreasing on I and for $t \in I$, $x \to \lambda(t, x)$ is nondecreasing on L^φ;

(4) ω is function from $I \times I$ into $\mathbb{R}^+$. For each $t \in I$, $\omega(t, s)$ is measurable on $[0, t]$. Also $\overline{\omega(t)} = \operatorname{esssup} |\omega(t, s)|$ is bounded on $[0, b]$ and $r = \sup |\overline{\omega(t)}|$. The map $\omega(\cdot, s) :$ $t \to \omega(t, s)$ is continuous from I to $L^\infty(I)$. Also for $s \in I$, $t \to \omega(t, s)$ is nondecreasing on I.

Theorem 19. *Suppose that the conditions (1)–(4) are satisfied and there exists a constant $k \ge 0$ such that for all $t \in I$,*

$$\int_0^t \beta(s)\, ds < \frac{k}{(ak + h)\, rb} \int_0^t \frac{1}{\gamma(k)}\, ds, \tag{47}$$

where $h := \sup\{\|\lambda(t, x)\|_\rho, t \in I, x \in L^\varphi\}$ and also $\sup\{\|\phi(t, x)\|_\rho, t \in I, x \in L^\varphi\} \le k$. Then integral equation (43) has at least one solution $x \in C(I, L^\varphi)$.

Proof. Define

$$B = \left\{ x \in C\left(I, L^\varphi\right); \|x(t)\|_\rho \le k \; \forall t \in I \right\}; \tag{48}$$

then B is a nonempty, $\|\cdot\|_\rho$-bounded, $\|\cdot\|_\rho$-closed, and convex subset of $C(I, L^\varphi)$. Consider

$$Tx(t) = \phi(t, x(t)),$$
$$Sx(t) = \lambda(t, x(t)) \int_0^t \omega(t, s) \psi(s, x(s))\, ds. \tag{49}$$

It is easy that by the hypothesis T and S are well defined on $C(I, L^\varphi)$.

For $x \in B$, we show that $Sx \in B$. Consider

$$\|Sx(t)\|_\rho$$

$$= \left\| \lambda(t, x(t)) \int_0^t \omega(t, s) \psi(s, x(s))\, ds \right\|_\rho$$

$$= \left\| (\lambda(t, x(t)) - \lambda(t, 0) + \lambda(t, 0)) \int_0^t \omega(t, s) \psi(s, x(s))\, ds \right\|_\rho$$

$$\le \left(a \|x(t)\|_\rho + h\right) r \int_0^t \beta(s) \gamma\left(\|x(s)\|_\rho\right) ds$$

$$\le (ak + h)\, r \int_0^t \beta(s) \gamma(k)\, ds$$

$$\le (ak + h)\, r \int_0^b \frac{k\gamma(k)}{(ak + h)\, rb\gamma(k)}\, ds$$

$$\le k. \tag{50}$$

Let $x \in B$ and assume that $t > \tau \in I$ such that $|t - \tau| < \delta$, for a given positive constant δ. We have

$$\|Sx(t) - Sx(\tau)\|_\rho$$

$$= \left\| \lambda(t, x(t)) \int_0^t \omega(t, s) \psi(s, x(s))\, ds \right.$$
$$\left. - \lambda(\tau, x(\tau)) \int_0^\tau \omega(\tau, s) \psi(s, x(s))\, ds \right\|_\rho$$

$$= \left\| \lambda(t, x(t)) \int_0^t \omega(t, s) \psi(s, x(s))\, ds \right.$$
$$\pm \lambda(t, x(t)) \int_0^t \omega(\tau, s) \psi(s, x(s))\, ds$$
$$\pm \lambda(\tau, x(\tau)) \int_0^t \omega(\tau, s) \psi(s, x(s))\, ds$$
$$\left. - \lambda(\tau, x(\tau)) \int_0^\tau \omega(\tau, s) \psi(s, x(s))\, ds \right\|_\rho \tag{51}$$

$$\le \left\| \lambda(t, x(t)) \left(\int_0^t \omega(t, s) \psi(s, x(s))\, ds \right. \right.$$
$$\left. \left. - \int_0^t \omega(\tau, s) \psi(s, x(s))\, ds \right) \right\|_\rho$$

$$+ \left\| (\lambda(\tau, x(\tau)) - \lambda(\tau, x(\tau))) \right.$$
$$\left. \times \int_0^t \omega(\tau, s) \psi(s, x(s))\, ds \right\|_\rho$$

$$+ \left\| \lambda(\tau, x(\tau)) \int_\tau^t \omega(\tau, s) \psi(s, x(s))\, ds \right\|_\rho;$$

since

$$\left\| \lambda\left(t, x\left(t\right)\right) \left(\int_0^t \omega\left(t, s\right) \psi\left(s, x\left(s\right)\right) ds \right. \right.$$

$$\left. \left. - \int_0^t \omega\left(\tau, s\right) \psi\left(s, x\left(s\right)\right) ds \right) \right\|_\rho$$

$$= \left\| \lambda\left(t, x\left(t\right)\right) \left(\int_0^t \left(\omega\left(t, s\right) - \omega\left(\tau, s\right)\right) \psi\left(s, x\left(s\right)\right) ds \right) \right\|_\rho$$

$$\leq \left\| \left(\lambda\left(\tau, x\left(\tau\right)\right) - \lambda\left(\tau, 0\right) + \lambda\left(\tau, 0\right)\right) \right.$$

$$\left. \times \left(\int_0^t \left(\omega\left(t, s\right) - \omega\left(\tau, s\right)\right) \psi\left(s, x\left(s\right)\right) ds \right) \right\|_\rho$$

$$\leq \left(ak + h\right) \left| \omega\left(t, 0\right) - \omega\left(\tau, 0\right) \right|_{L_\infty} \int_0^t \beta\left(s\right) \gamma\left(k\right) ds$$

$$\leq \frac{k}{r} \left| \omega\left(t, 0\right) - \omega\left(\tau, 0\right) \right|_{L_\infty},$$

$$\left\| \left(\lambda\left(t, x\left(t\right)\right) - \lambda\left(\tau, x\left(\tau\right)\right)\right) \int_0^t \omega\left(\tau, s\right) \psi\left(s, x\left(s\right)\right) ds \right\|_\rho$$

$$\leq \left\| \left(\lambda\left(t, x\left(t\right)\right) - \lambda\left(\tau, x\left(\tau\right)\right)\right) r \int_0^t \beta\left(s\right) \gamma\left(k\right) ds \right\|_\rho$$

$$\leq \frac{k}{ak + h} \left(\left\| \lambda\left(t, x\left(t\right)\right) - \lambda\left(t, x\left(\tau\right)\right) \right\|_\rho \right.$$

$$\left. + \left\| \lambda\left(\tau, x\left(\tau\right)\right) - \lambda\left(t, x\left(\tau\right)\right) \right\|_\rho \right)$$

$$\leq \frac{k}{ak + h} \left(a \left\| x\left(t\right) - x\left(\tau\right) \right\|_\rho + h \right),$$

$$\left\| \lambda\left(\tau, x\left(\tau\right)\right) \int_\tau^t \omega\left(\tau, s\right) \psi\left(s, x\left(s\right)\right) ds \right\|_\rho$$

$$= \left\| \left(\lambda\left(\tau, x\left(\tau\right)\right) - \lambda\left(\tau, 0\right) + \lambda\left(\tau, 0\right)\right) \right.$$

$$\left. \times \int_\tau^t \omega\left(\tau, s\right) \psi\left(s, x\left(s\right)\right) ds \right\|_\rho$$

$$\leq \left(ak + h\right) r \int_\tau^t \beta\left(s\right) \gamma\left(k\right) ds$$

$$\leq \frac{k}{b} \left| t - \tau \right|,$$

(52)

then $S(B)$ is $\|\cdot\|_\rho$-equicontinuous. By using the Arzela-Ascoli Theorem, we obtain that S is a $\|\cdot\|_\rho$-compact mapping.

We show that S is $\|\cdot\|_\rho$-continuous. Suppose that $\varepsilon > 0$ is given. We find a $\delta > 0$ such that $\|x - y\|_\sigma < \delta$. We have

$$\left\| Sx\left(t\right) - Sy\left(t\right) \right\|_\rho$$

$$= \left\| \lambda\left(t, x\left(t\right)\right) \int_0^t \omega\left(t, s\right) \psi\left(s, x\left(s\right)\right) ds \right.$$

$$\left. - \lambda\left(t, y\left(t\right)\right) \int_0^t \omega\left(t, s\right) \psi\left(s, y\left(s\right)\right) ds \right\|_\rho$$

$$\leq \left\| \left(\lambda\left(t, x\left(t\right)\right) - \lambda\left(t, y\left(t\right)\right)\right) \int_0^t \omega\left(t, s\right) \psi\left(s, x\left(s\right)\right) ds \right\|_\rho$$

$$+ \left\| \lambda\left(t, y\left(t\right)\right) \int_0^t \left(\psi\left(s, x\left(s\right)\right) - \psi\left(s, y\left(s\right)\right)\right) ds \right\|_\rho$$

$$\leq \frac{ka}{ak + h} \left\| x\left(t\right) - y\left(t\right) \right\|_\rho + \left(ak + h\right) r \int_0^t \left\| x\left(s\right) - y\left(s\right) \right\|_\rho ds$$

$$\leq \frac{ka}{ak + h} \left\| x - y \right\|_\sigma + \left(ak + h\right) rb \left\| x - y \right\|_\sigma$$

$$\leq \varepsilon.$$

(53)

Since ϕ is $\|\cdot\|_\rho$-continuous, it shows that T transforms $C(I, L^\varphi)$ into itself. In view of supremum $\|\cdot\|_\rho$ and condition (1), it is easy to see that T is $\|\cdot\|_\sigma$-expansive with constant $l \geq 2$.

For $x, y \in B$,

$$\left\| Tx\left(t\right) - Ty\left(t\right) \right\|_\rho$$

$$\leq \left\| x\left(t\right) - y\left(t\right) \right\|_\rho + \left\| \left(I - T\right) x\left(t\right) - \left(I - T\right) y\left(t\right) \right\|_\rho; \quad (54)$$

then

$$\left\| \left(I - T\right)x(t) - \left(I - T\right)y(t) \right\|_\rho \geq \left(l - 1\right) \left\| x\left(t\right) - y\left(t\right) \right\|_\rho; \quad (55)$$

since $l \geq 2$, then

$$\left\| \left(I - T\right)x(t) \right\|_\rho \geq \left(l - 1\right) \left\| x(t) \right\|_\rho \geq \left\| x(t) \right\|_\rho. \quad (56)$$

Now, assume that $x = Tx + Sy$ for some $y \in B$. Then

$$\left\| x(t) \right\|_\rho \leq \left\| \left(I - T\right)x(t) \right\|_\rho = \left\| Sy(t) \right\|_\rho \leq k, \quad (57)$$

which shows that $x \in B$. Now for each $z \in C(I, L^\varphi)$ we define a map T_z as follows:

$$T_z : C\left(I, L^\varphi\right) \longrightarrow C\left(I, L^\varphi\right); \quad (58)$$

by

$$T_z x\left(t\right) = Tx\left(t\right) + z\left(t\right); \quad (59)$$

for all $x, y \in C(I, L^\varphi)$,

$$\left\| T_z x(t) - T_z y(t) \right\|_\rho = \left\| Tx(t) - Ty(t) \right\|_\rho \geq l \left\| x\left(t\right) - y\left(t\right) \right\|_\rho; \quad (60)$$

therefore

$$\left\| T_z x - T_z y \right\|_\sigma \geq l \left\| x - y \right\|_\sigma; \quad (61)$$

then T_z is $\|\cdot\|_\sigma$-expansive with constant $l \geq 2$ and T_z is onto. By Theorem 9, there exists $w \in C(I, L^\varphi)$ such that $T_z w = w$; that is, $(I - T)w = z$. Hence $S(B) \subset (I - T)(L^\varphi)$. Therefore by Theorem 12, $S + T$ has a fixed point $z \in B$ with $Tz + Sz = z$; that is, z is a solution of (43). $\qquad \square$

Finally, some examples are presented to guarantee Theorems 18 and 19.

Example 20. Consider the following integral equation:

$$x(t) = \frac{9x(t)}{1+t^2} + \int_0^t \arctan\left(\frac{5t(1+s)\sqrt{x(s)}}{(1+t)^3\left(1+\sqrt{x(s)}\right)}\right) ds,$$

(62)

where $L^\varphi = \mathbb{R}^+$, $I = [0, 1]$.

For $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^+$ and $t \in I$, we have

$$\left|\phi(t, x) - \phi(t, y)\right| = \left|\frac{9x}{1+t^2} - \frac{9y}{1+t^2}\right| \geq \frac{9}{2}\left|x - y\right|. \quad (63)$$

Therefore by Theorem 18, the integral equation (62) has at least one solution.

Example 21. Consider the following integral equation:

$$x(t) = \frac{9x(t)}{1+t^2} + \frac{1}{8}\arcsin x(t) \int_0^t \frac{t}{t+s} x(s)\, ds, \quad (64)$$

where $\phi(t, x) = (9x/(1+t^2))$, $\lambda(t, x) = (1/8)\arcsin x$, $\omega(t, s) = t/(t+s)$, and $\psi(t, x) = x$. Also $L^\varphi = \mathbb{R}^+$, $I = [0, 1]$. Therefore by Theorem 19, the integral equation (64) has at least one solution.

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