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# Common Fixed Point Theorems via Measure of Noncompactness

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## Abstract

In this paper, by applying the measure of noncompactness a common fixed point for the maps  $T$  and  $S$  is obtained, where  $T$  and  $S$  are self-maps continuous, commuting continuously on a closed convex subset  $C$  of a Banach space  $E$  and also  $S$  is a linear map. Then as an application, the existence of a solution of an integral equation is shown.

## 1. Introduction

The compactness plays an essential role in the Schauder's fixed point theorem and however, there are some important problems where the operators are not compact. G. Darbo in 1955 [1], extended the Schauder theorem to noncompact operators. The main aim of their study is to define a new class of operators that map any bounded set to a compact set. The first measure of noncompactness was defined and studied by Kuratowski [2] in 1930.

Suppose  $(X, d)$  be a metric space the Kuratowski measure of noncompactness of a subset

$A \subset X$  defined as

$$\mu(A) = \inf \left\{ \delta > 0; A = \bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \text{ for some } A_i \text{ with } \text{diam}(A_i) \leq \delta \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq n < \infty \right\} \quad (1)$$

where  $\text{diam}(A)$  denotes the diameter of a set  $A \subset X$  namely

$$\text{diam}(A) = \sup \{ d(x, y); x, y \in A \}.$$

Also, in recent years measures of noncompactness have been used to define new geometrical properties of Banach spaces which are interesting for fixed point theory [3]. In this paper first, some essential concepts and results concerning the measure of noncompactness are called [4-7]. In the second section, a common fixed point for the maps  $T$  and  $S$  where  $T$  and  $S$  are self-map continuous, commuting continuous on a closed convex subset  $C$  of a Banach space  $E$  and also  $S$  is a linear map is shown. In the third section, we apply our result to obtain a coupled fixed point [8-11]. Finally by applying our results a solution of an integral equation is obtained [12-15].

Now, we recall some basic facts concerning measures of noncompactness. Suppose  $R$  denotes the set of real numbers and put  $R_+ = [0, \infty)$  and let  $(E, \|\cdot\|)$  be a Banach space. The symbol  $\bar{X}, \text{Conv } X$  will denote the closure and closed convex hull of a subset  $X$  of  $E$ , respectively. Moreover, let  $\mathfrak{M}_E$  indicate the family of all nonempty and bounded subsets of  $E$  and  $\mathfrak{N}_E$  indicate the family of all nonempty and relatively compact subsets.

We begin by recalling some needed definitions and results.

**Definition 1.1** A mapping  $\mu: \mathfrak{M}_E \rightarrow R_+$  is said to be a measure of noncompactness in  $E$  if it satisfies the following conditions:

1. The family  $\ker \mu = \{X \in \mathfrak{M}_E : \mu(X) = 0\}$  is nonempty and  $\ker \mu \subseteq \mathfrak{N}_E$ .
2.  $X \subset Y \Rightarrow \mu(X) \leq \mu(Y)$ .
3.  $\mu(\bar{X}) = \mu(X)$ .
4.  $\mu(\text{Conv } X) = \mu(X)$ .
5.  $\mu(\lambda X + (1-\lambda)Y) \leq \lambda \mu(X) + (1-\lambda)\mu(Y)$  for  $\lambda \in [0,1]$ .
6. If  $\{X_n\}$  is a sequence of closed sets from  $\mathfrak{M}_E$  such that  $X_{n+1} \subset X_n$  for  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ , and if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(X_n) = 0$ , then

$$X_\infty = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} X_n \neq \emptyset$$

**Theorem 1.1** (Schauder [9]) Let  $C$  be a closed and convex subset of a Banach space  $E$ . Then every compact and continuous map  $F: C \rightarrow C$  has at least one fixed point.

In 1955, G. Darbo [1] used the measure of noncompactness to generalize Schauder's theorem to a wide class of operators, called  $k$ -set contractive operators, which satisfy the following condition

$$\mu(T(A)) \leq k\mu(A)$$

for some  $k \in [0,1]$ . In 1967 Sadovskii generalized Darbo's theorem to set-condensing operators [16,17].

**Definition 1.2** Let  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  be two Banach spaces and  $\mu_1$  and  $\mu_2$  be arbitrary measures of noncompactness on  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  respectively [5]. An operator  $T$  from  $E_1$  to  $E_2$  is called a  $(\mu_1, \mu_2)$  condensing operator if it is continuous and for every bounded noncompact set  $\Omega \subset E_1$  the following inequality holds

$$\mu_2(T(\Omega)) < \mu_1(\Omega).$$

The following lemmas and theorems from [16-18] are necessary for the main results.

**Theorem 1.2** (Darbo's fixed point theorem) Let  $\Omega$  be a nonempty, bounded, closed, and convex subset of a Banach space  $E$  and let  $T: \Omega \rightarrow \Omega$  be a continuous mapping such that there exists a constant  $k \in [0,1)$  with the property [18].

$$\mu(TX) \leq k\mu(X);$$

For any nonempty subset  $X$  of  $\Omega$  Then  $T$  has a fixed point in the set  $\Omega$ .

**Lemma 1.3** For every nondecreasing and upper semicontinuous function  $\varphi: R_+ \rightarrow R_+$  The following two conditions are equivalent:

- i.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi^n(t) = 0$  for any  $t > 0$ .
- ii.  $\varphi(t) < t$  for any  $t > 0$ .

The following theorem is an extension of Darbo's fixed point theorem.

**Theorem 1.4** [7] Let  $C$  be a nonempty, bounded, closed, and convex subset of a Banach space  $E$  and  $T: C \rightarrow C$  be a continuous operator satisfying

$$\mu(T(X)) \leq \varphi(\mu(X)) \quad (2)$$

for any subset  $X$  of  $C$ , where  $\mu$  is an arbitrary measure of noncompactness and  $\varphi: R_+ \rightarrow R_+$  is a nondecreasing and upper semicontinuous function such that  $\varphi(t) < t$  for all  $t > 0$ . Then  $T$  has at least one fixed point.

## 2. Common fixed point

**Theorem 2.1** Let  $C$  be a nonempty, bounded, closed, and convex subset of a Banach space  $E$ .

and let  $T, S: C \rightarrow C$  be continuous operators and  $S$  be a linear operator such that  $S(T(X)) \subseteq T(X)$  and also

$$\mu(T(X)) \leq \varphi(\max\{\mu(X), \mu(S(X))\}),$$

for each  $X \subseteq C$ , where  $\mu$  is an arbitrary measure of noncompactness and  $\varphi: R_+ \rightarrow R_+$  is a nondecreasing function such that  $\varphi(t) < t$  for each  $t > 0$  and  $\varphi(0) = 0$ . Then  $T, S$  have a common fixed point in  $C$ .

**Proof.** Set

$$C_0 = C$$

And

$$C_1 = \text{Conv}TC_0$$

in general, set

$$C_n = \text{Conv}TC_{n-1}$$

For  $n = 1, 2, \dots$

Then we have

$$C_n \subset C_{n-1} \text{ and } S(C_n) \subset C_n (*)$$

for ever  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

Indeed it is clear that  $C_1 \subset C_0$  and  $S(C_1) \subset \text{Conv}(ST(C_0)) \subset \text{Conv}(T(C_0)) = C_1$ .

So  $(*)$  holds for  $n = 1$ .

Assuming now that (\*) is true for  $n \geq 1$ .

Then

$$C_{n+1} = \text{Conv}(T(C_n)) \subset \text{Conv}(T(T_{n-1})) = C_n$$

And

$$S(C_{n+1}) = S(\text{Conv}(T(C_n))) \subset \text{Conv}(S(T(C_n))) \subset \text{Conv}T(C_n) = C_{n+1}$$

We obtain

$$C_0 \supseteq C_1 \supseteq C_2 \supseteq \dots$$

Now if there exists an integer  $N \geq 0$  such that  $\mu(C_N) = 0$ , then  $C_N$  is relatively compact and since  $TC_N \subseteq \text{Conv}TC_{N+1} \subseteq C_N$ , thus Schauder's fixed point theorem implies that  $T$  has a fixed point. So we assume that  $\mu(C_n) > 0$  for  $n \geq 0$ . By assumptions we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(C_{n+1}) &= \mu(\text{Conv}TC_n) \\ &= \mu(TC_n) \\ &\leq \varphi(\max\{\mu(TC_n), \mu(STC_n)\}) \\ &\leq \varphi(\mu(TC_n)) \\ &\leq \mu(TC_n) \\ &\leq \mu(C_n) \end{aligned}$$

which implies that  $\mu(C_n)$  is a positive decreasing sequence of real numbers thus, there is an  $r \geq 0$  so that  $\mu(C_n) \rightarrow r$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . We show that  $r = 0$ . Suppose, in the contrary, that  $r > 0$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(C_{n+1}) &= \mu(\text{Conv}TC_n) \\ &= \mu(TC_n) \\ &\leq \varphi(\mu(TC_n)) \\ &\leq \varphi(\mu(C_n)) \\ &= \varphi(\mu(\text{Conv}TC_{n-1})) \\ &\leq \varphi(\mu(TC_{n-1})) \\ &\leq \varphi^2(\mu(C_{n-1})) \\ &\vdots \\ &\leq \varphi^n(\mu(C_0)). \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 1.3 and assumption with choose  $\mu(C_0) = t$ , we have

$$r = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(C_{n+1}) \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi^n(\mu(C_0)) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi^n(t) = 0$$

for any  $t > 0$ .

So  $r = 0$  and hence  $\mu(C_n) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Since  $C_{n+1} \subseteq C_n$  and  $TC_n \subseteq C_n$  for all  $n \geq 1$ , then from (6),  $C_\infty = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n$  is a nonempty convex closed set, and  $C_\infty \subset C$ . Moreover, the set  $C_\infty$  is invariant under the operator  $T$  and belongs to  $\ker \mu$ . Thus, applying Schauder's fixed point theorem,  $T$  has a fixed point. Now, suppose that  $F_T = \{x \in C : Tx = x\}$ . The set  $F_T$  is closed by the continuity of  $T$ , by the assumption we have  $SF_T \subset F_T$  then  $Sx$  is a fixed point of  $T$  for any  $x \in F_T$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(F_T) &= \mu(TF_T) \leq \varphi(\max\{\mu(F_T), \mu(SF_T)\}) \\ &= \varphi(\mu(F_T)) \\ &< \mu(F_T) \end{aligned}$$

then  $\mu(F_T) = 0$  and have  $F_T$  is compact.

Then by Schauder's fixed point theorem, we deduce that  $S$  has a fixed point and set  $F(S) = \{x \in C, Sx = x\}$  is closed by the continuity of  $S$ . Also, since  $SF_T \subset F_T$  by Schauder's fixed point theorem, we have  $Tx$  is a fixed point of  $S$  for each  $x \in F_T$ . Since  $F_T \cap F_S \subseteq F_T \subset C$  is a compact subset, then  $T, S : F_T \cap F_S \rightarrow F_T \cap F_S$  are continuous self maps, now by Schauder's fixed point theorem we have a common fixed point in  $C$ .

**Corollary 2.2** Let  $C$  be a nonempty, bounded, closed, and convex subset of a Banach space  $E$  and let  $T, S : C \rightarrow C$  be continuous operators and  $\phi$  be a linear operator such that

$$S(T(X)) \subseteq T(X)$$

and

$$\mu(TX) \leq k \max\{\mu(X), \mu(SX)\},$$

for each  $X \subseteq C$ , where  $\mu$  is an arbitrary measure of noncompactness and  $k \in [0, 1)$ . Then  $T, S$  have a common fixed point in  $C$ .

**Proof.** Let  $\varphi(t) = kt$  in the Theorem 2.1.

**Corollary 2.3** Let  $C$  be a nonempty, bounded, closed, and convex subset of a Banach space  $E$  and let  $T, S : C \rightarrow C$  be continuous operators and  $S$  be a linear and condensing operator such that.

$$S(T(X)) \subseteq T(X)$$

and

$$\mu(TX) \leq \varphi(\mu(X)),$$

For each  $X \subseteq C$ , where  $\mu$  is an arbitrary measure of noncompactness and  $\varphi : R_+ \rightarrow R_+$  is a nondecreasing function such that  $\varphi(t) < t$  for each  $t \geq 0$  and  $\varphi(0) = 0$ . Then  $T, S$  have a common fixed point in  $C$ .

**Proof.** The result is followed by Definition 1.2 and Theorem 2.1.

**Corollary 2.4** Let  $C$  be a nonempty, bounded, closed, and convex subset of a Banach space  $E$  and let  $T, S: C \rightarrow C$  be continuous operators and  $S$  be a linear operator such that  $T$  and  $S$  be two commuting map and

$$\mu(T(X)) \leq \varphi(\max\{\mu(X), \mu(S(X))\}),$$

For each  $X \subseteq C$ , where  $\mu$  is an arbitrary measure of noncompactness and  $\varphi: R_+ \rightarrow R_+$  is a nondecreasing function such that  $\varphi(t) < t$  for each  $t \geq 0$  and  $\varphi(0) = 0$ . Then  $T, S$  have a common fixed point in  $C$  [19–23].

**Proof.** The proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 2.1.

**Definition 2.1** Let  $X$  be a Banach space. An operator (not necessarily linear)  $F: X \rightarrow X$  is compact if the closure of  $F(Y)$  is compact whenever  $Y \subset X$  is bounded.

**Corollary 2.5** Let  $C$  be a nonempty, bounded, closed, and convex subset of a Banach space  $E$  and let  $F: C \rightarrow E$  be a linear and continuous operator such that  $T$  and  $S$  be two commuting map and

$$\|Fx - Fy\| \leq \varphi(\|x - y\|), \quad (3)$$

where  $\varphi: R_+ \rightarrow R_+$  is a nondecreasing function such that  $\varphi(t) < t$  for each  $t \geq 0$  and  $\varphi(0) = 0$ . Assume that  $G: C \rightarrow E$  is a compact, continuous operator. Define  $T(x) := F(x) + G(x)$  and assume that  $T(x) \in C$  for all  $x \in C$ . Then  $T, S$  have a common fixed point in  $C$ .

**Proof.** Let  $\mu: \mathcal{M}_E \rightarrow R_+$  be the Kuratowski measure of noncompactness defined by (1). Moreover, assume that  $X$  is a nonempty subset of  $C$ . As  $\varphi$  is non-decreasing, from (3), we have

$$\|Fx - Fy\| \leq \sup_{x, y \in X} \varphi(\|x - y\|) \leq \varphi\left(\sup_{x, y \in X} \|x - y\|\right),$$

so

$$\text{diam}(F(X)) \leq \varphi(\text{diam}(X)). \quad (4)$$

By the definition of Kuratowski measure of noncompactness, for every  $\delta > 0$ , there exist  $A_1, \dots, A_n$  such that  $X \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i$  and  $\text{diam}(A_i) < \mu(X) + \delta$ . As  $F(X) \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n F(A_i)$  and by assumption,  $\varphi$  is a non-decreasing function, from (4) we have

$$\mu(F(X)) \leq \text{diam}(F(A_i)) \leq (\varphi(\text{diam}(A_i)) \leq \varphi(\mu(X) + \delta)$$

and

$$\mu(F(X)) \leq \varphi(\mu(X)). \quad (5)$$

On the other hand, as  $G$  is compact, from (5) we obtain

$$\mu(T(X)) = \mu((F + G)(X)) \leq \mu(F(X) + G(X)) \leq \mu(F(X)) + \mu(G(X)) \leq \varphi(\mu(X)).$$

Now, by Theorem 1.4,  $T$  has a fixed point in  $C$ . Now, suppose that  $F_T = \{x \in C : Tx = x\}$  is closed by the continuity of  $T$ .

On the other hand, since  $S$  commuting with  $T$ , we see that  $Sx$  is a fixed point of  $T$  for any  $x \in F_T$ .

Thus  $SF_T \subset F_T$  and since

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(F_T) &= \mu(TF_T) \leq \varphi(\max\{\mu(F_T), \mu(SF_T)\}) \\ &= \varphi(\mu(F_T)) \\ &< \mu(F_T) \end{aligned}$$

then  $\mu(F_T) = 0$  and have  $F_T$  is compact.

Then by Schauder's fixed point theorem, we deduce that  $S$  has a fixed point and set  $F_S = \{x \in C, Sx = x\}$  is closed by the continuity of  $S$ . Also, since  $S$  commutes with  $T$ , we have  $Tx$  is a fixed point of  $S$  for each  $x \in F_S$ , therefore  $F_S$  is invariant by  $T$  or  $T(F_S) \subset F_S$ . Since  $F_S$  is convex closed and bounded and for any  $D \subset F_S$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(T(D)) &\leq \varphi(\max\{\mu(D), \mu(S(D))\}) \\ &\leq \varphi(\mu(D)). \end{aligned}$$

Then by Corollary 2.4,  $T$  and  $S$  have a common fixed point in  $D$ .

**Corollary 2.6** Let  $C$  be a nonempty, bounded, closed, and convex subset of a Banach space  $E$  and let  $S, G: C \rightarrow C$  be continuous operators and  $S$  be a linear operator and  $G$  be a compact operator, define  $T(x) := S(x) + G(x)$  and assume that  $T(x) \in C$  for all  $x \in C$ , such that  $T$  and  $S$  be two commuting map. Then  $T, S$  have a common fixed point in  $C$  [2, 24–27].

**Proof.** Since  $G$  is a compact operator, we have  $\mu(G(C)) = 0$  and so  $\mu(T(C)) = \mu(S(C))$  so  $T, S$  have a common fixed point in  $C$ .

**Example 2.1** ([7]) Let  $C[a, b]$  denote the Banach space consisting of all real-valued functions, defined and continuous on  $[a, b]$ . The space  $C[a, b]$  is furnished with the standard norm

$$\|x\| = \max\{|x(t)| : t \in [a, b]\}$$

for every  $x \in C[a, b]$ .

A measure of noncompactness can be defined as follows. To this end let us fix a nonempty bounded subset  $X$  of  $C[a, b]$ . For  $x \in X$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$  let us denote by  $\omega(x, \varepsilon)$  the modulus of continuity of the function  $x$  on the interval  $[a, b]$ , i.e

$$\omega(x, \varepsilon) = \sup\{|x(t) - x(s)| : t, s \in [a, b], |t - s| < \varepsilon\}$$

$$\omega(X, \varepsilon) = \sup\{\omega(x, \varepsilon) : x \in X\}$$

$$\omega_0(X) = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \omega(X, \varepsilon)$$

and

$$X(t) = \{x(t) : x \in X\}.$$

It is easy to prove that  $\omega_0$  is a measure of noncompactness and

$$\mu(X) = \frac{1}{2} \omega_0(X).$$

In the following, we will show some examples of the results.

**Example 2.2** Let  $C = [0, 1]$  a nonempty, bounded, closed, and convex subset of a Banach space  $R, T, S : C \rightarrow C$  be continuous operators and  $S$  be a linear operator where

$$S(TX) \subseteq T(X)$$

and also

$$\mu(T(X)) \leq \varphi(\max\{\mu(X), \mu(S(X))\}),$$

For each  $X \subseteq C$  is hold.

Then consider  $Sx = \frac{x}{2}$ ,  $Tx = \frac{x}{x+3}$  and  $\varphi : R_+ \rightarrow R_+$  by  $\varphi(t) = \frac{t}{2}$  is a nondecreasing function such that  $\varphi(t) < t$  for each  $t \geq 0$  and  $\varphi(0) = 0$ .

Let  $\mu$  be the same measure of noncompactness in Example 2.1. Then by Theorem 2.1,  $T, S$  have a common fixed point  $x = 0$  in  $C$ .

**Example 2.3** Let  $R$  be a Banach space and we define:

$$T, S : C \rightarrow C$$

$$T(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \leq 0 \\ x - \frac{x^2}{2} & 0 < x \leq 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} & x > 1 \end{cases}$$

$$S(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \leq 0 \\ x & 0 < x \leq 1 \\ 1 & x > 1 \end{cases}$$

And

$$\varphi : R_+ \rightarrow R_+$$

by

$$\varphi(t) = \begin{cases} t - \frac{t^2}{2} & 0 < t \leq 1 \\ \frac{t}{2} & t > 1 \end{cases}$$

is a non-decreasing function such that  $\varphi(t) < t$  for each  $t \geq 0$  and  $\varphi(0) = 0$ . Clearly  $T, S$  are commuting maps and with corresponding Corollary 2.4, for any subset  $D \subset R$ , obviously we have

$$\mu(TD) \leq \varphi(\max\{\mu(D), \mu(S(D))\}).$$

Then  $T, S$  have a common fixed point  $x = 0$ .

### 3. Common coupled fixed point

**Definition 3.1** [8] An element  $(X, Y) \in X \times X$  is called a coupled fixed point of the operator  $F : X \times X \rightarrow X$  if  $F(x, y) = x$  and  $F(x, y) = y$ .

**Definition 3.2** The operators  $T, S : C \times C \rightarrow C$  is called commuting operator if

$$T(S(x, y), S(y, x)) = S(T(x, y), T(y, x))$$

for all  $x, y \in C$ .

**Theorem 3.1** [7] Suppose  $\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_n$  be measures of noncompactness on, Banach spaces  $E_1, E_2, \dots, E_n$  respectively. Moreover assume that the function  $F : R_+^n \rightarrow R_+$  is convex and  $F(x_1, \dots, x_n) = 0$  if and only if  $x_i = 0$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . Then

$$\mu(X) = F(\mu_1(X_1), \mu_2(X_2), \dots, \mu_n(X_n))$$

defines a measure of noncompactness on  $E_1 \times E_2 \times \dots \times E_n$  where  $X_i$  denotes the natural projections of  $X$  into  $E_i$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

**Remark 3.1** [4] Let  $\mu$  be a measure of noncompactness on a Banach space  $E$  considering

$$F_1(x, y) = \max\{x, y\} \text{ and } F_2(x, y) = x + y$$

for  $(x, y) \in R_+^2$  then conditions of Theorem 3.1 are satisfied. Therefore,

$$\tilde{\mu}_1(X) := \max\{\mu(X_1), \mu(X_2)\}$$

And

$$\tilde{\mu}_2(X) := \mu(\mu_1) + \mu(\mu_2)$$

Define measures of noncompactness in the space  $E \times E$  where  $X_i, i = 1, 2$  denote the natural

projections of  $X$  into  $E$ .

**Theorem 3.2** Let  $C$  be a nonempty, bounded, closed, and convex subset of a Banach space  $E$

and let  $T, S : C \times C \rightarrow C$  be continuous operators and  $S$  be a linear operator such that

$$S(T(X) \times T(Y)) \subseteq T(X) \times T(Y)$$

and



$$\mu(T(X \times Y)) \leq \varphi(\max\{\mu(X), \mu(Y), \mu(S(X \times Y))\}) \quad (6)$$

for each  $X, Y \subseteq C$ , where  $\mu$  is an arbitrary measure of noncompactness and  $\varphi: R_+ \rightarrow R_+$  is a non-decreasing function such that  $\varphi(t) < t$  for each  $t \geq 0$  and  $\varphi(0) = 0$ . Then  $T, S$  have a common coupled fixed point in  $C$ .

**Proof.** First note that, Remark 3.1 implies that

$$\tilde{\mu}(X) = \mu(X_1) + \mu(X_2)$$

is a measure of noncompactness in the space  $E \times E$  where  $X_i, i = 1, 2$  denote the natural projection of  $X$ . Now consider the map.  $\tilde{G}: \Omega \times \Omega \rightarrow \Omega \times \Omega$  defined by the formula

$$\tilde{G}(x, y) = (G(x, y), G(y, x))$$

Which is continuous on  $\Omega \times \Omega$ . We claim that  $\tilde{G}$  satisfies all the conditions of Theorem 2.1. To prove this, let  $X \subset \Omega \times \Omega$  be a nonempty subset. Then, by 2° and (6) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mu}(\tilde{G}(X)) &\leq \tilde{\mu}(G(X_1 \times X_2) \times G(X_2 \times X_1)) \\ &= \mu(G(X_1 \times X_2)) + \mu(G(X_2 \times X_1)) \\ &\leq \varphi(\max\{\mu(X_1), \mu(X_2), \mu(S(X_1 \times X_2))\}) \\ &\quad + \varphi(\max\{\mu(X_1), \mu(X_2), \mu(S(X_2 \times X_1))\}) \\ &= 2\varphi(\max\{\mu(X_1), \mu(X_2), \mu(S(X_1 \times X_2))\}) \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \tilde{\mu}(\tilde{G}(X)) &\leq \varphi(\max\{\mu(X_1), \mu(X_2), \mu(S(X_1 \times X_2))\}) \\ &\leq \varphi(\max\{\mu(X_1) + \mu(X_2), \mu(S(X_1 \times X_2))\}) \\ &\leq \varphi(\max\{2(\mu(X_1) + \mu(X_2)), \mu(S(X_1 \times X_2))\}) \\ &= \varphi(\max\{2\tilde{\mu}(X), \mu(S(X_1 \times X_2))\}) \end{aligned}$$

and taking  $\tilde{\mu}' = \frac{1}{2} \tilde{\mu}$ ,  $\tilde{\mu}'(S(X)) = \mu(S(X_1 \times X_2))$  we get

$$\tilde{\mu}'(G(X)) \leq \varphi(\max\{\tilde{\mu}'(X), \tilde{\mu}'(S(X))\})$$

Since,  $\tilde{\mu}'$  is also a measure of noncompactness, therefore, all the conditions of Theorem 2.1 are satisfied and  $G$  has a coupled fixed point.

## 4. Application

Let  $L^1(R_+)$  be the space of Lebesgue integrable functions on the measurable subset  $R_+$  of  $R$  with the standard norm

$$\|x\| = \int_0^\infty |x(t)| dt.$$

Now, we define a measure of noncompactness in the space.  $L^1(R_+)$ .

For  $\varepsilon > 0$ , let  $X$  be a nonempty, bounded, compact, and measurable subset of  $L^1(R_+)$ , set

$$C(X) = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \sup_{x \in X} \sup \left\{ \int_D |x(t)| dt : D \subset R_+; \text{meas}(D) \leq \varepsilon \right\};$$

Where  $\text{meas}(D)$  denotes the Lebesgue measure of the subset  $D$  and

$$d(x) = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \sup \left\{ \int_T^\infty |x(t)| dt : x \in X \right\}.$$

Then we define

$$\mu(X) = C(X) + d(X),$$

Where  $\mu$  is a measure of noncompactness in  $L^1(R_+)$ .

Our purpose is the study of the equation below:

$$x(t) = (1 - \lambda) \int_0^\infty k(t - s)x(s) ds + \lambda f(t, \int_0^\infty k(t - s)x(\varphi(s)) ds); t \geq 0, \lambda \in (0, 1) \quad (7)$$

under the following hypotheses.

- i.  $f: R_+ \times R \rightarrow R$  and there is a constant  $0 < b < 1$  such that  $f(t, x) = bx + \exp(-t)$ .
- ii. The function  $k: R \rightarrow R_+$  belongs to the space  $L^1(R_+)$ , defined by  $k(t) = \exp(-t)$  for  $t \in [0, 1]$  and  $k(t) = 0$  for  $t < 0$  and  $t > 1$ .

Therefore, we can see that for any  $A > 0$  and for all  $t_1, t_2 \in R_+$  the following condition is satisfied:

$$t_1 < t_2 \Rightarrow \int_0^A k(t_2 - s) ds \leq \int_0^A k(t_1 - s) ds.$$

- iii.  $\varphi: R_+ \rightarrow R_+$  is a non-decreasing function such that  $\varphi(t) < t$  for each  $t > 0$  and  $\varphi(0) = 0$ .

- iv. The linear continuous operator  $K$  is defined by

$$(Kx)(t) = \int_0^\infty k(t - s)x(s) ds$$

Maps  $Q_r$  into  $Q_r$ . (Let  $E$  be an arbitrary Banach space with norm  $\|\cdot\|$  and the zero element  $0$  and  $B_r$  be a closed ball in  $E$  centered at  $0$  and of radius  $r$ , and also suppose  $Q_r$  be the subset of  $B_r$  consisting of all functions that are a.e. positive and nonincreasing on  $R_+$ , which is a compact, bounded, closed, and convex subset of  $L^1(R_+)$ ).

Then we can prove the following result.

**Theorem 4.1** Let the assumptions i), ii), iii), and iv) be satisfied. Then the equation (7) has at least one solution  $x \in L^1(R_+)$  such that

$$x(t) = \int_0^{\infty} k(t-s)x(s)ds.$$

**Proof.**

**Step 1:** We consider the following operators

$$(Hx)(t) = (1-\lambda) \int_0^{\infty} k(t-s)x(s)ds + \lambda f(t, \int_0^{\infty} k(t-s)x(\varphi(s))ds),$$

$$(Kx)(t) = \int_0^{\infty} k(t-s)x(s)ds$$

and

$$(Fx)(t) = f(t, x(t)).$$

Thus the equation (7) becomes

$$x = Hx = (1-\lambda)Kx + \lambda FKx(\varphi).$$

Next, we consider

$$Gx = \frac{Hx - (1-\lambda)Kx}{\lambda} = FKx(\varphi),$$

**Step 2:** For any  $x \in L^1(R_+)$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|Gx\| &= \|FKx(\varphi)\| \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} |FKx(\varphi(t))| dt \\ &\leq \int_0^{\infty} \left[ \exp(-t) + b \int_0^{\infty} k(t-s)x(\varphi(s))ds \right] dt \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} \exp(-t) dt + b \|Kx(\varphi)\| \\ &\leq 1 + b \|K\| \|x(\varphi)\| \\ &= 1 + b \|K\| \int_0^{\infty} |x(\varphi(s))| ds \\ &\leq 1 + b \|K\| \int_0^{\infty} |x(s)| ds \\ &= 1 + b \|K\| \|x\|, \end{aligned}$$

hence, for  $x \in B_r$ , we have

$$\|Gx\| \leq 1 + b \|K\| r$$

if we take  $r = 1 + b \|K\| r$ , then  $r = \frac{1}{1 - b \|K\|}$ . This implies that  $G$  maps the ball  $B_r$  into itself, where

$$r = \frac{1}{1 - b \|K\|}.$$

**Step 3:** For any  $X \subset Q_r$  consider  $x \in X$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$  be arbitrary, let be  $D \subset R_+$  with  $meas(D) \leq \varepsilon$ , then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_D |Gx(t)| dt &= \int_D |FKx(\varphi(t))| dt \\ &= \int_D [bKx(\varphi(t)) + \exp(-t)] dt \\ &\leq b \int_D |Kx(\varphi(t))| dt + \int_D \exp(-t) dt \\ &\leq b \int_D |Kx(\varphi(t))| dt - \exp(-t) meas(D) \\ &\leq b \int_D |Kx(\varphi(t))| dt - \exp(-t) \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

When  $\varepsilon$  tends to zero and from definition  $C(X)$  that is a defined measure in the  $L^1(R_+)$ , we get  $C(GX) \leq bC(KX)$ .

**Step 4:** For any  $X \subset Q_r$  and  $T > 0$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_T^{\infty} |Gx(t)| dt &= \int_T^{\infty} |FKx(\varphi(t))| dt \\ &= \int_T^{\infty} [bKx(\varphi(t)) + \exp(-t)] dt \\ &\leq b \int_T^{\infty} |Kx(\varphi(t))| dt + \int_T^{\infty} \exp(-t) dt \\ &\leq b \int_T^{\infty} |Kx(\varphi(t))| dt + \exp(-T). \end{aligned}$$

Now with take  $\limsup_{T \rightarrow \infty}$  of the above inequality, we get

$$d(GX) \leq bd(KX).$$

Where  $d$  is a defined measure in the  $L^1(R_+)$ . Now by step 3 and step 4 we deduce that.

$$\mu(GX) \leq b\mu(KX).$$

**Step 5:** Take  $x \in Q_r$  then  $x(\varphi)$  is a.e. positive and nonincreasing on  $R_+$  and consequently  $Kx(\varphi)$  is also of the same type in virtue of the assumptions (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv) we deduce that  $Gx = FKx(\varphi)$  is also a.e. positive and nonincreasing on  $R_+$ . This fact, together with the assertion  $G: B_r \rightarrow B_r$  gives that  $G$  is a self-mapping of the set  $Q_r$ . For this reason that  $K$  is a linear and bounded operator, therefore  $K$  is continuous, and obviously  $F$  is a continuous operator then  $G$  is a continuous operator. Then  $K$  and  $G$  are continuous from  $Q_r$  into  $Q_r$ .

**Step 6:** We will show that  $K(f(t, x)) = f(t, K(x))$ . We have  $x(t) = Kx(t)$  if and only if  $\exp(t)x(t) = \int_{-1}^t \exp(s)x(s)ds$  therefore, if the function  $g$  satisfies  $g'(t) = -\exp(-1)g(t-1)$ ,

then  $g$  is a fixed point of  $K$ . Hence,  $g(t) = \exp(-t)$  is a fixed point of  $K$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} K(\exp(-t) + bx(t)) &= K(\exp(-t) + bK(x(t))) \\ &= \exp(-t) + bK(x(t)) \\ &= f(t, Kx(t)). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $K((Fx)(t)) = F((Kx)(t))$ , i.e.  $K$  and  $F$  are commuting maps. For every  $x \in Q_r$  we have  $GK(x) = FKKx(\varphi) = KFKx(\varphi) = KG(x)$ , so  $G$  and  $K$  are commuting maps. Thus without the loss of generalities, in Corollary 2.4 enough that, we put  $\varphi(t) = bt$  and  $\mu(X) < \mu(KX)$ . Then  $K$  and  $G$  have at least one common fixed point, which is a solution of the equation (7) and satisfies  $x(t) = Kx(t)$ . Moreover,

$$x(t) = \frac{\exp(-t)}{1-b}$$

is a common solution of the equations  $f(t, x(t)) = x(t)$  and  $K(x(t)) = x(t)$ .

## Conclusion

This paper examines the existence of a fixed point in various cases based on the measures of incompressibility, which is a very important technique in existence proof.

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