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# Solvability of mixed Hilfer fractional functional boundary value problems with p-Laplacian at resonance

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## Abstract

This article investigates the existence of solutions of mixed Hilfer fractional differential equations with p-Laplacian under the functional boundary conditions at resonance. By defining Banach spaces with appropriate norms, constructing suitable operators, and using the extension of the continuity theorem, some of the current results are extended to the nonlinear situation, and some new existence results of the problem are obtained. Finally, an example is given to verify our main results.

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## 1 Introduction

The fractional differential equations have become an important research field because of the in-depth development of fractional calculus theory and its wide applications in many sciences such as physics, engineering, biology and so on [1–5].

There are various definitions of fractional derivatives, such as Riemann–Liouville and Caputo fractional derivatives [6, 7]. On this basis, a more generalized fractional derivative “Hilfer” derivative has been studied [8]. The Hilfer fractional derivative is an extension of the Riemann–Liouville and Caputo fractional derivatives. Hilfer fractional differential equations are very suitable for describing processes with memory and hereditary properties. They have the advantages of simple modeling and accurate description of complex systems, and have become one of the important tools for mathematical modeling of mechanical and physical processes. Therefore, fractional differential equations with Hilfer derivative have gradually become a research hotspot [9–11].

Ri et al. [11] considered the following multi-point boundary value problems of the Hilfer fractional differential equations at resonance:

$$\begin{cases} D_{0+}^{\alpha,\beta} x(t) = f(t, x(t)), & 0 < t \leq T, \\ I_{0+}^{1-\gamma} u(0) = \sum_{i=1}^m c_i x(\tau_i), \end{cases}$$

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where  $0 < \alpha < 1, 0 \leq \beta \leq 1, \tau_i \in (0, T], D_{0+}^{\alpha,\beta}$  is Hilfer fractional derivative of order  $\alpha$  and type  $\beta$ .

In the past, the boundary conditions of boundary value problems were generally specific. In recent years, some scholars have changed the boundary value conditions into abstract conditions, which contains many specific boundary conditions. And many achievements have been made in the study of functional boundary value problems [12–17].

Zhao and Liang [15] first used Mawhin’s coincidence degree theory to discuss the solvability of functional boundary value problems:

$$\begin{cases} x''(t) = f(t, x(t), x'(t)), & 0 < t < 1, \\ \Gamma_1(x) = 0, & \Gamma_2(x) = 0, \end{cases}$$

where  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 : C^1[0, 1] \rightarrow R$  are continuous linear functionals. It was discussed according to the six situations of non-resonance and resonance, and some existence results of the solution of the functional boundary value problems were obtained.

However, the existence of solutions under the condition of  $\Gamma_1(t)\Gamma_2(1) = \Gamma_1(1)\Gamma_2(t)$  was not discussed in [15]. Furthermore, Kosmatov and Jiang [16] considered the solvability of functional boundary value problems under the condition  $\Gamma_1(t)\Gamma_2(1) = \Gamma_1(1)\Gamma_2(t)$ :

$$\begin{cases} x''(t) = f(t, x(t), x'(t)), & t \in (0, 1), \\ \Gamma_1(x) = 0, & \Gamma_2(x) = 0, \end{cases}$$

where  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2$  are linear functionals. The conditions in [15] were supplemented here, and the solvability of functional boundary value problems was analyzed more comprehensively.

The p-Laplacian operator originated from the research of turbulence in porous media. Leibenson [18] first considered the following p-Laplacian equation:

$$(\phi_p(x'(t)))' = f(t, x(t), x'(t)).$$

Later, many scholars conducted more in-depth research on the p-Laplacian operator and obtained some excellent results [19–21].

Jiang [22] considered the solvability of fractional differential equations with p-Laplacian by the extended continuous theorem:

$$\begin{cases} D_{0+}^\beta (\varphi_p(D_{0+}^\alpha u))(t) + f(t, u(t), D_{0+}^{\alpha-1} u(t), D_{0+}^\alpha u(t)) = 0, \\ u(0) = D_{0+}^\alpha u(0) = 0, & u(1) = \int_0^1 h(t)u(t) dt, \end{cases}$$

where  $0 < \beta \leq 1, 1 < \alpha \leq 2, \varphi_p(s) = |s|^{p-2}s, p > 1, \int_0^1 h(t)t^{\alpha-1} dt = 1, D_{0+}^\alpha$  is the Riemann–Liouville fractional derivative.

Based on the above literature, this paper studies the solvability of mixed Hilfer fractional functional boundary value problems with p-Laplacian operator at resonance:

$$\begin{cases} D_{1-}^{\alpha_1, \beta_1} \varphi_p(D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u(t)) = f(t, u(t), D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2, \beta_2} u(t), D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2} u(t), D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u(t)), \\ u(0) = 0, & D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u(1) = 0, & T_1(u) = T_2(u) = 0, & t \in [0, 1], \end{cases} \tag{1.1}$$

where  $0 < \alpha_1 < 1, 2 < \alpha_2 < 3, 0 \leq \beta_1, \beta_2 \leq 1, \gamma_1 = \alpha_1 + \beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta_1, \gamma_2 = \alpha_2 + 3\beta_2 - \alpha_2\beta_2,$   
 $\varphi_p(s) = |s|^{p-2}s, p > 1, \varphi_p(0) = 0, D_{a^\pm}^{\alpha, \beta}$  is Hilfer right-/left-sided fractional derivative of order  $\alpha$  and type  $\beta, f \in C([0, 1] \times \mathbb{R}^4, \mathbb{R})$  and  $T_1, T_2 : C[0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are linear bounded functionals.

### 2 Preliminaries

**Definition 2.1** ([23]) Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two Banach spaces with norms  $\|\cdot\|_X, \|\cdot\|_Y,$  respectively. A continuous operator  $L: X \cap \text{dom } L \rightarrow Y$  is said to be quasilinear if

- (i)  $\text{Im } L := L(X \cap \text{dom } L)$  is a closed subset of  $Y,$
- (ii)  $\text{Ker } L := \{x \in X \cap \text{dom } L : Lx = 0\}$  is linearly homeomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}^n, n < \infty,$

where  $\text{dom } L$  denotes the domain of the operator  $L.$

Let  $X_1 = \text{Ker } L$  and  $X_2$  be the complement space of  $X_1$  in  $X,$  then  $X = X_1 \oplus X_2.$  Let  $P : X \rightarrow X_1$  be the projector and  $\Omega \subset X$  be an open and bounded set with the origin  $\theta \in \Omega.$

**Definition 2.2** ([22]) Suppose that  $N_\lambda : \overline{\Omega} \rightarrow Y, \lambda \in [0, 1]$  is a continuous and bounded operator. Denote  $N_1$  by  $N.$  Let  $\Sigma_\lambda = \{x \in \overline{\Omega} : Lx = N_\lambda x\}.$   $N_\lambda$  is said to be L-quasiconpact in  $\overline{\Omega}$  if there exists a vector subspace  $Y_1$  of  $Y$  satisfying  $\dim Y_1 = \dim X_1$  and two operators  $Q$  and  $R$  such that for  $\lambda \in [0, 1],$

- (a)  $\text{Ker } Q = \text{Im } L,$
- (b)  $QN_\lambda x = \theta, \lambda \in (0, 1) \Leftrightarrow QNx = \theta,$
- (c)  $R(\cdot, 0)$  is the zero operator and  $R(\cdot, \lambda)|_{\Sigma_\lambda} = (I - P)|_{\Sigma_\lambda},$
- (d)  $L[P + R(\cdot, \lambda)] = (I - Q)N_\lambda,$

where  $Q : Y \rightarrow Y_1, QY = Y_1$  is continuous, bounded and satisfies  $Q(I - Q) = 0$  and  $R : \overline{\Omega} \times [0, 1] \rightarrow X_2$  is continuous and compact.

**Lemma 2.3** ([22]) Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two Banach spaces with the norms  $\|\cdot\|_X, \|\cdot\|_Y,$  respectively, and let  $\Omega \subset X$  be an open and bounded nonempty set. Suppose that  $L : \text{dom } L \cap X \rightarrow Y$  is a quasilinear operator and that  $N_\lambda : \overline{\Omega} \rightarrow Y, \lambda \in [0, 1]$  is L-quasiconpact. In addition, if the following conditions hold:

- (a)  $Lx \neq N_\lambda x, \forall x \in \partial\Omega \cap \text{dom } L, \lambda \in (0, 1),$
- (b)  $\text{deg}\{JQN, \Omega \cap \text{Ker } L, 0\} \neq 0,$

then the abstract equation  $Lx = Nx$  has at least one solution in  $\text{dom } L \cap \overline{\Omega},$  where  $N = N_1, J : \text{Im } Q \rightarrow \text{Ker } L$  is a homeomorphism with  $J(\theta) = \theta.$

**Definition 2.4** ([6]) The left-sided and right-sided Riemann–Liouville fractional integrals of order  $\alpha > 0$  of a function  $y : (0, +\infty) \rightarrow R$  are given by

$$I_{0^+}^\alpha y(t) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^t (t-s)^{\alpha-1} y(s) ds, \quad I_{1^-}^\alpha y(t) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_t^1 (s-t)^{\alpha-1} y(s) ds.$$

**Definition 2.5** ([6]) The left-sided and right-sided Riemann–Liouville fractional derivatives of order  $\alpha > 0$  of a function  $y : (0, +\infty) \rightarrow R$  are given by

$$D_{0^+}^\alpha y(t) = \frac{d^n}{dt^n} (I_{0^+}^{n-\alpha} y)(t), \quad D_{1^-}^\alpha y(t) = (-1)^n \frac{d^n}{dt^n} (I_{1^-}^{n-\alpha} y)(t),$$

where  $n = [\alpha] + 1.$

**Definition 2.6** ([8]) The right-/left-sided Hilfer fractional derivative of order  $\alpha$  and type  $\beta$  for a function  $y : (0, +\infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is given by

$$D_{a\pm}^{\alpha,\beta}y(t) = (\pm)^n I_{a\pm}^{\beta(n-\alpha)} \frac{d^n}{dt^n} (I_{a\pm}^{(1-\beta)(n-\alpha)}y)(t), \quad n - 1 < \alpha < n, 0 \leq \beta \leq 1.$$

*Remark*

- (1) The operator  $D_{a\pm}^{\alpha,\beta}$  can also be written as  $D_{a\pm}^{\alpha,\beta} = I_{a\pm}^{\beta(n-\alpha)} D_{a\pm}^\gamma$ ,  $\gamma = \alpha + n\beta - \alpha\beta$ .
- (2) If  $\beta = 0$ , then the Riemann–Liouville fractional derivative can be presented as  $D_{a\pm}^\alpha = D_{a\pm}^{\alpha,0}$ .
- (3) If  $\beta = 1$ , then the Caputo fractional derivative can be presented as  ${}^C D_{a\pm}^\alpha = D_{a\pm}^{\alpha,1}$ .

**Lemma 2.7** ([6]) For  $n - 1 < \alpha \leq n, n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the general solution of the fractional differential equation  $D_{1-}^\alpha u(t) = 0$  is given by

$$u(t) = c_1(1 - t)^{\alpha-1} + c_2(1 - t)^{\alpha-2} + \dots + c_n(1 - t)^{\alpha-n},$$

where  $c_i \in \mathbb{R}, i = 1, 2, \dots, n, n = [\alpha] + 1$ .

**Lemma 2.8** ([6]) Let  $\alpha > 0, n = [\alpha] + 1$ , if  $y \in L_1(0, 1)$  and  $I_{0+}^{n-\alpha}y \in AC^n[0, 1]$ , then the following holds:

$$I_{0+}^\alpha D_{0+}^\alpha y(t) = y(t) - \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{(I_{0+}^{n-\alpha}y(t))^{(n-j)}|_{t=0}}{\Gamma(\alpha - j + 1)} t^{\alpha-j}.$$

**Lemma 2.9** ([6]) For  $n - 1 < \alpha \leq n, n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the general solution of the fractional differential equation  $D_{0+}^\alpha u(t) = 0$  is given by

$$u(t) = c_1 t^{\alpha-1} + c_2 t^{\alpha-2} + \dots + c_n t^{\alpha-n},$$

where  $c_i \in \mathbb{R}, i = 1, 2, \dots, n, n = [\alpha] + 1$ .

**Lemma 2.10** ([6]) If  $\alpha > 0, \beta > -1$ , and  $\beta \neq \alpha - i, i = 1, 2, \dots, [\alpha] + 1$ , then

$$D_{0+}^\alpha t^\beta = \frac{\Gamma(\beta + 1)}{\Gamma(\beta - \alpha + 1)} t^{\beta-\alpha}, \quad D_{0+}^\alpha t^{\alpha-i} = 0.$$

**Lemma 2.11** ([6]) If  $\alpha > \beta > 0$ , and  $y \in L_1(\mathbb{R}^+)$ , then

$$D_{0+}^\beta I_{0+}^\alpha y(t) = I_{0+}^{\alpha-\beta} y(t), \quad D_{0+}^\alpha I_{0+}^\beta y(t) = D_{0+}^{\alpha-\beta} y(t).$$

In particular, when  $\beta = k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\alpha > k$ , then

$$\frac{d^k}{dt^k} I_{0+}^\alpha y(t) = I_{0+}^{\alpha-k} y(t).$$

**Lemma 2.12** ([24]) For any  $u, v \geq 0$ , then

- (1)  $\varphi_p(u + v) \leq \varphi_p(u) + \varphi_p(v), 1 < p \leq 2$ ,
- (2)  $\varphi_p(u + v) \leq 2^{p-2}(\varphi_p(u) + \varphi_p(v)), p \geq 2$ ,

where  $\varphi_p(s) = |s|^{p-2}s = s^{p-1}, s \geq 0$ .

### 3 Main results

Take

$$X = \{u \mid u(t), D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2, \beta_2} u(t), D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2} u(t), D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u(t) \in C[0, 1]\}, \quad Y = C[0, 1],$$

with norms

$$\|u\|_X = \max_{t \in [0, 1]} \{ \|u\|_\infty, \|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2, \beta_2} u\|_\infty, \|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2} u\|_\infty, \|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u\|_\infty \}, \quad \|y\|_Y = \|y\|_\infty,$$

where  $\|y\|_\infty = \max_{t \in [0, 1]} |y(t)|$ .

**Lemma 3.1**  $(X, \|\cdot\|), (Y, \|\cdot\|)$  are Banach spaces.

*Proof* It is easy to see that  $(Y, \|\cdot\|)$  is a Banach space. Next, we prove that  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  is also a Banach space. Suppose that  $\{u_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence of  $X$ , then  $\{u_n\}, \{D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2, \beta_2} u_n\}, \{D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2} u_n\}, \{D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u_n\}$  are Cauchy sequences of  $C[0, 1]$ . So, there exist functions  $u, v, w, g \in C[0, 1]$  such that  $u_n, D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2, \beta_2} u_n, D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2} u_n, D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u_n$  converge uniformly to  $u, v, w, g$  on  $[0, 1]$ , respectively. We need to prove that  $D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2, \beta_2} u = v, D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2} u = w, D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u = g$ . By Lemma 2.8, we get

$$I_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2} D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2, \beta_2} u_n = I_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2} I_{0+}^{\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)} D_{0+}^{\gamma_2-2} u_n = I_{0+}^{\gamma_2-2} D_{0+}^{\gamma_2-2} u_n = u_n + ct^{\gamma_2-3}.$$

So, we have

$$\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_2 - 2)} \int_0^t (t - s)^{\alpha_2-3} D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2, \beta_2} u_n(s) ds = u_n + ct^{\gamma_2-3}.$$

Let  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we get

$$\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_2 - 2)} \int_0^t (t - s)^{\alpha_2-3} v(s) ds = u + ct^{\gamma_2-3}. \tag{3.1}$$

Applying  $D_{0+}^{\gamma_2-2}$  and  $I_{0+}^{\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)}$  to the both sides of (3.1), we obtain

$$I_{0+}^{\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)} D_{0+}^{\gamma_2-2} I_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2} v(t) = I_{0+}^{\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)} D_{0+}^{\gamma_2-2} u = D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2, \beta_2} u.$$

Therefore, from Lemma 2.11 and Lemma 2.8, we get  $v = D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2, \beta_2} u$ .

Since  $I_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1} D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2} u_n = u_n + c_1 t^{\gamma_2-2} + c_2 t^{\gamma_2-3}$  and  $I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u_n = u_n + c_1 t^{\gamma_2-1} + c_2 t^{\gamma_2-2} + c_3 t^{\gamma_2-3}$ , similar to the above proof we can get  $w = D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2} u$  and  $g = D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u$ . So,  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  is a Banach space. The proof is completed.  $\square$

In order to obtain our main results, we always suppose that the following conditions hold:

- (H<sub>1</sub>)  $T_1(t^{\gamma_2-1})T_2(t^{\gamma_2-2}) = T_1(t^{\gamma_2-2})T_2(t^{\gamma_2-1})$ .
- (H<sub>2</sub>) Functionals  $T_i : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are linear bounded with the respective norms  $\|T_i\|, i = 1, 2$ . And the functionals  $T_1, T_2$  satisfy the relations  $T_1(t^{\gamma_2-1}) = \delta_2, T_1(t^{\gamma_2-2}) = \delta_1, T_2(t^{\gamma_2-1}) = k\delta_2, T_2(t^{\gamma_2-2}) = k\delta_1$ , where  $\delta_1, \delta_2, k \in \mathbb{R}, \delta_1^2 + \delta_2^2 \neq 0$ .

(H<sub>3</sub>) Functional  $G(y) = (T_2 - kT_1)(I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1} y))$ ,  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$  is increasing.

Define operators  $L : \text{dom } L \cap X \rightarrow Y$  and  $N_\lambda : X \rightarrow Y$  as follows

$$Lu(t) = D_{1-}^{\alpha_1, \beta_1} \varphi_p(D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u(t)),$$

$$N_\lambda u(t) = \lambda f(t, u(t), D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2, \beta_2} u(t), D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2} u(t), D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u(t)), \quad t \in [0, 1], \lambda \in [0, 1],$$

where

$$\text{dom } L = \{u(t) \mid u(t) \in X, D_{1-}^{\alpha_1, \beta_1} \varphi_p(D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u(t)) \in Y, u(0) = 0, D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u(1) = 0, T_1(u) = T_2(u) = 0\}.$$

**Lemma 3.2** *Suppose that (H<sub>1</sub>) holds, then L is a quasilinear operator.*

*Proof* It is easy to get that  $\text{Ker } L = \{u \in \text{dom } L \mid u(t) = c(\delta_2 t^{\gamma_2-2} - \delta_1 t^{\gamma_2-1}), c \in \mathbb{R}\}$ .

For  $y \in \text{Im } L$ , there exists  $u \in \text{dom } L$  such that  $D_{1-}^{\alpha_1, \beta_1} \varphi_p(D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u(t)) = y(t)$ . According to Remark, we get

$$I_{1-}^{\beta_1(1-\alpha_1)} D_{1-}^{\gamma_1} \varphi_p(D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u(t)) = y(t). \tag{3.2}$$

Thus, applying  $D_{1-}^{\beta_1(1-\alpha_1)}$  to the both sides of (3.2), and by Lemma 2.7, we have

$$D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u(t) = \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1} y(t) + c_1(1-t)^{\gamma_1-1}).$$

Since  $D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u(1) = 0$ , we can get

$$D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u(t) = \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1} y(t)). \tag{3.3}$$

Applying  $D_{0+}^{\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)}$  to the both sides of (3.3), and because of  $u(0) = 0$ , we obtain

$$u(t) = I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1} y(t)) + c_2 t^{\gamma_2-1} + c_3 t^{\gamma_2-2}.$$

The functional boundary condition  $T_1(u) = T_2(u) = 0$  implies that

$$T_1(u) = T_1(I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1} y(t))) + c_2 \delta_2 + c_3 \delta_1 = 0,$$

$$T_2(u) = T_2(I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1} y(t))) + kc_2 \delta_2 + kc_3 \delta_1 = 0.$$

Obviously,

$$(T_2 - kT_1)(I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1} y(t))) = 0. \tag{3.4}$$

Hence,  $\text{Im } L \subseteq \{y \in Y \mid (T_2 - kT_1)(I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1} y(t))) = 0\}$ .

Conversely, if  $y \in Y$  and satisfies (3.4), let

$$u(t) = I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1} y(t)) + \frac{T_1(I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1} y(t)))}{\delta_1^2 + \delta_2^2} (\delta_2 t^{\gamma_2-1} + \delta_1 t^{\gamma_2-2}).$$

It is easy to prove that  $u(t)$  satisfies the boundary conditions of problem (1.1), and we have

$$\begin{aligned} Lu(t) &= I_{1-}^{\beta_1(1-\alpha_1)} D_{1-}^{\gamma_1} \varphi_p \left( I_{0+}^{\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)} D_{0+}^{\gamma_2} I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q \left( I_{1-}^{\alpha_1} y(t) \right) \right) \\ &= I_{1-}^{\beta_1(1-\alpha_1)} D_{1-}^{\beta_1(1-\alpha_1)} y(t) = y(t). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\text{Im } L \supseteq \{y \in Y \mid (T_2 - kT_1)(I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1} y(t))) = 0\}.$$

In summary, we get

$$\text{Im } L = \{y \in Y \mid (T_2 - kT_1)(I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1} y(t))) = 0\}.$$

Clearly,  $\text{Im } L \subset Y$  is closed. So,  $L$  is a quasilinear operator. □

Define the operator  $P : X \rightarrow \text{Ker } L$  by

$$Pu(t) = \frac{\delta_2 D_{0+}^{\gamma_2-2} u(0) - \delta_1 D_{0+}^{\gamma_2-1} u(0)}{\delta_2^2 \Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + \delta_1^2 \Gamma(\gamma_2)} (\delta_2 t^{\gamma_2-2} - \delta_1 t^{\gamma_2-1}).$$

It is clear that  $P^2 u = Pu$  and  $\text{Im } P = \text{Ker } L$ ,  $X = \text{Ker } L \oplus \text{Ker } P$ . So,  $P : X \rightarrow \text{Ker } L$  is a projector.

Define the operator  $Q : Y \rightarrow R$  by

$$Qy(t) = c,$$

where  $c$  satisfies

$$(T_2 - kT_1)(I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1}(y(t) - c))) = 0. \tag{3.5}$$

Next, we will prove that  $c$  is the unique constant satisfying (3.5). For  $y \in Y$ , let

$$F(c) = (T_2 - kT_1)(I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1}(y(t) - c))).$$

Obviously,  $F(c)$  is continuous and strictly decreasing in  $\mathbb{R}$ . We make  $c_1 = \min_{t \in [0,1]} y(t)$ ,  $c_2 = \max_{t \in [0,1]} y(t)$ . It is easy to see that  $F(c_1) \geq 0$ ,  $F(c_2) \leq 0$ , then, there exists a unique constant  $c \in [c_1, c_2]$  such that  $F(c) = 0$ .

**Lemma 3.3**  $Q : Y \rightarrow Y_1$  is continuous, bounded and  $Q(I - Q)y = Q(y - Qy) = 0$ ,  $y \in Y$ ,  $QY = Y_1$ , where  $Y_1 = \mathbb{R}$ .

*Proof* For  $y_1, y_2 \in Y$ , assume  $Qy_1 = c_1$ ,  $Qy_2 = c_2$ . Since  $\varphi_q$  is strictly increasing, if  $c_2 - c_1 > \max_{t \in [0,1]} (y_2(t) - y_1(t))$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= (T_2 - kT_1)(I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1}(y_2(t) - c_2))) \\ &= (T_2 - kT_1)(I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1}(y_1(t) - c_1 + y_2(t) - y_1(t) - (c_2 - c_1)))) \\ &< (T_2 - kT_1)(I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1}(y_1(t) - c_1))) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

A contradiction. On the other hand, if  $c_2 - c_1 < \min_{t \in [0,1]} (y_2(t) - y_1(t))$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= (T_2 - kT_1)(I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1}(y_2(t) - c_2))) \\ &= (T_2 - kT_1)(I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1}(y_1(t) - c_1 + y_2(t) - y_1(t) - (c_2 - c_1)))) \\ &> (T_2 - kT_1)(I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1}(y_1(t) - c_1))) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

A contradiction, too. So, we can get

$$\min_{t \in [0,1]} (y_2(t) - y_1(t)) \leq c_2 - c_1 \leq \max_{t \in [0,1]} (y_2(t) - y_1(t)), \quad \text{i.e. } |c_2 - c_1| \leq \|y_2 - y_1\|_\infty.$$

Therefore,  $Q$  is continuous. In addition, if  $\Omega \subset Y$  is bounded, then  $Q(\Omega)$  is bounded, i.e.,  $Q$  is bounded. According to the definition of  $Q$ , we can easily know that  $Q$  is not a projector but satisfies  $Q(I - Q)Y = Q(Y - QY) = 0, y \in Y$  and  $QY = Y_1$ . □

**Lemma 3.4** *Define an operator  $R : X \times [0, 1] \rightarrow X_2$  as*

$$\begin{aligned} R(u, \lambda)(t) &= I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1}(I - Q)N_\lambda u(t)) \\ &\quad - \frac{T_1(I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1}(I - Q)N_\lambda u(t)))}{\delta_2^2 \Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + \delta_1^2 \Gamma(\gamma_2)} (\delta_2 \Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1)t^{\gamma_2-1} + \delta_1 \Gamma(\gamma_2)t^{\gamma_2-2}), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\text{Ker } L \oplus X_2 = X$ .

Then  $R : \overline{\Omega} \times [0, 1] \rightarrow X_2$  is continuous and compact, where  $\Omega \subset X$  is an open bounded set.

*Proof* Obviously,  $R$  is continuous. Let  $A$  be any bounded set in  $X$ , for  $\forall u \in A, D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2} u \in A, D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2, \beta_2} u \in A, \lambda \in [0, 1]$ . By the continuity of  $f$  and the boundedness of  $Q$ , we can get that there exist constants  $k_1 > 0, k_2 > 0$  such that  $|f(t, u(t), D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2, \beta_2} u(t), D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2} u(t), D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u(t))| \leq k_1, |Qf| \leq k_2$  for  $u \in \overline{\Omega}$ . Note that

$$\begin{aligned} &|I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1}(I - Q)N_\lambda u(t))| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^t (t-s)^{\alpha_2-1} \varphi_q\left(\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_s^1 (x-s)^{\alpha_1-1} |(I - Q)N_\lambda u(x)| dx\right) ds \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^t (t-s)^{\alpha_2-1} \varphi_q\left(\frac{k_1 + k_2}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)}\right) ds \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_2 + 1)} \varphi_q\left(\frac{k_1 + k_2}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)}\right), \\ &|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2, \beta_2} I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1}(I - Q)N_\lambda u(t))| \\ &\leq \int_0^t (t-s) \varphi_q\left(\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_s^1 (x-s)^{\alpha_1-1} |(I - Q)N_\lambda u(x)| dx\right) ds \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \varphi_q\left(\frac{k_1 + k_2}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)}\right), \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 & |D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2} I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1}(I-Q)N_\lambda u(t))| \\
 & \leq \int_0^t \varphi_q\left(\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_s^1 (x-s)^{\alpha_1-1} |(I-Q)N_\lambda u(x)| dx\right) ds \\
 & \leq \varphi_q\left(\frac{k_1+k_2}{\Gamma(\alpha_1+1)}\right),
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1}(I-Q)N_\lambda u(t))| \leq \varphi_q\left(\frac{k_1+k_2}{\Gamma(\alpha_1+1)}\right).$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \|I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1}(I-Q)N_\lambda u)\|_X \\
 & \leq \max\left\{\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_2+1)} \varphi_q\left(\frac{k_1+k_2}{\Gamma(\alpha_1+1)}\right), \frac{1}{2} \varphi_q\left(\frac{k_1+k_2}{\Gamma(\alpha_1+1)}\right), \varphi_q\left(\frac{k_1+k_2}{\Gamma(\alpha_1+1)}\right)\right\} \\
 & = \varphi_q\left(\frac{k_1+k_2}{\Gamma(\alpha_1+1)}\right),
 \end{aligned}$$

then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 |R(u, \lambda)(t)| & \leq \|I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1}(I-Q)N_\lambda u)\|_X \\
 & \quad + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty (|\delta_2|\Gamma(\gamma_2-1) + |\delta_1|\Gamma(\gamma_2))}{\delta_2^2\Gamma(\gamma_2-1) + \delta_1^2\Gamma(\gamma_2)} \|I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1}(I-Q)N_\lambda u)\|_X \\
 & \leq \left[1 + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty (|\delta_2|\Gamma(\gamma_2-1) + |\delta_1|\Gamma(\gamma_2))}{\delta_2^2\Gamma(\gamma_2-1) + \delta_1^2\Gamma(\gamma_2)}\right] \|I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1}(I-Q)N_\lambda u)\|_X \\
 & \leq \left[1 + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty (|\delta_2|\Gamma(\gamma_2-1) + |\delta_1|\Gamma(\gamma_2))}{\delta_2^2\Gamma(\gamma_2-1) + \delta_1^2\Gamma(\gamma_2)}\right] \varphi_q\left(\frac{k_1+k_2}{\Gamma(\alpha_1+1)}\right),
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & |D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2, \beta_2} R(u, \lambda)(t)| \\
 & \leq \int_0^t (t-s) \varphi_q\left(\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_s^1 (x-s)^{\alpha_1-1} |(I-Q)N_\lambda u(x)| dx\right) ds \\
 & \quad + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty \|I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1}(I-Q)N_\lambda u)\|_X}{\delta_2^2\Gamma(\gamma_2-1) + \delta_1^2\Gamma(\gamma_2)} \\
 & \quad \times (|\delta_2|\Gamma(\gamma_2-1) I_{0+}^{\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)} \Gamma(\gamma_2)t + |\delta_1|\Gamma(\gamma_2) I_{0+}^{\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)} \Gamma(\gamma_2-1)) \\
 & \leq \int_0^t (t-s) \varphi_q\left(\frac{k_1+k_2}{\Gamma(\alpha_1+1)}\right) ds \\
 & \quad + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty \varphi_q\left(\frac{k_1+k_2}{\Gamma(\alpha_1+1)}\right)}{\delta_2^2\Gamma(\gamma_2-1) + \delta_1^2\Gamma(\gamma_2)} \left(\frac{|\delta_2|\Gamma(\gamma_2-1)\Gamma(\gamma_2)}{\Gamma(\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)+2)} + \frac{|\delta_1|\Gamma(\gamma_2-1)\Gamma(\gamma_2)}{\Gamma(\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)+1)}\right) \\
 & \leq \left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty (|\delta_2|\Gamma(\gamma_2) + (\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)+1)|\delta_1|\Gamma(\gamma_2))}{(\delta_2^2 + \delta_1^2(\gamma_2-1))\Gamma(\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)+2)}\right] \varphi_q\left(\frac{k_1+k_2}{\Gamma(\alpha_1+1)}\right),
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & |D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2} R(u, \lambda)(t)| \\
 & \leq \int_0^t \varphi_q\left(\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_s^1 (x-s)^{\alpha_1-1} |(I-Q)N_\lambda u(x)| dx\right) ds
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty \|I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1}(I-Q)N_\lambda u)\|_X}{\delta_2^2 \Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + \delta_1^2 \Gamma(\gamma_2)} \times |\delta_2| \Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) I_{0+}^{\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)} \Gamma(\gamma_2) \\
 \leq & \int_0^t \varphi_q\left(\frac{k_1 + k_2}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)}\right) ds + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty \varphi_q\left(\frac{k_1+k_2}{\Gamma(\alpha_1+1)}\right)}{\delta_2^2 \Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + \delta_1^2 \Gamma(\gamma_2)} \times \frac{|\delta_2| \Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) \Gamma(\gamma_2)}{\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)} \\
 \leq & \left[ 1 + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty |\delta_2| \Gamma(\gamma_2)}{(\delta_2^2 + \delta_1^2(\gamma_2 - 1)) \Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)} \right] \varphi_q\left(\frac{k_1 + k_2}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)}\right), \\
 |D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} R(u, \lambda)(t)| \leq & \varphi_q\left(\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_t^1 (s-t)^{\alpha_1-1} |(I-Q)N_\lambda u(s)| ds\right) \\
 \leq & \varphi_q\left(\frac{k_1 + k_2}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)}\right).
 \end{aligned}$$

So,  $R$  is bounded in  $\overline{\Omega} \times [0, 1]$ .

For  $(u, \lambda) \in \overline{\Omega} \times [0, 1]$ ,  $0 \leq t_1 < t_2 \leq 1$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & |R(u, \lambda)(t_2) - R(u, \lambda)(t_1)| \\
 \leq & \left| \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^{t_2} (t_2 - s)^{\alpha_2-1} \varphi_q\left(\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_s^1 (x-s)^{\alpha_1-1} (I-Q)N_\lambda u(x) dx\right) ds \right. \\
 & \left. - \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^{t_1} (t_1 - s)^{\alpha_2-1} \varphi_q\left(\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_s^1 (x-s)^{\alpha_1-1} (I-Q)N_\lambda u(x) dx\right) ds \right| \\
 & + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty \|I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1}(I-Q)N_\lambda u)\|_X}{\delta_2^2 \Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + \delta_1^2 \Gamma(\gamma_2)} \\
 & \times (|\delta_2| \Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1)(t_2^{\gamma_2-1} - t_1^{\gamma_2-1}) + |\delta_1| \Gamma(\gamma_2)(t_2^{\gamma_2-2} - t_1^{\gamma_2-2})) \\
 \leq & \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^{t_1} [(t_2 - s)^{\alpha_2-1} - (t_1 - s)^{\alpha_2-1}] \\
 & \times \varphi_q\left(\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_s^1 (x-s)^{\alpha_1-1} |(I-Q)N_\lambda u(x)| dx\right) ds \\
 & + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} (t_2 - s)^{\alpha_2-1} \varphi_q\left(\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_s^1 (x-s)^{\alpha_1-1} |(I-Q)N_\lambda u(x)| dx\right) ds \\
 & + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty \varphi_q\left(\frac{k_1+k_2}{\Gamma(\alpha_1+1)}\right)}{\delta_2^2 + \delta_1^2(\gamma_2 - 1)} (|\delta_2| (t_2^{\gamma_2-1} - t_1^{\gamma_2-1}) + |\delta_1| (\gamma_2 - 1)(t_2^{\gamma_2-2} - t_1^{\gamma_2-2})) \\
 \leq & \frac{\varphi_q\left(\frac{k_1+k_2}{\Gamma(\alpha_1+1)}\right)}{\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \left[ \int_0^{t_1} [(t_2 - s)^{\alpha_2-1} - (t_1 - s)^{\alpha_2-1}] ds + \int_{t_1}^{t_2} (t_2 - s)^{\alpha_2-1} ds \right] \\
 & + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty \varphi_q\left(\frac{k_1+k_2}{\Gamma(\alpha_1+1)}\right)}{\delta_2^2 + \delta_1^2(\gamma_2 - 1)} (|\delta_2| (t_2^{\gamma_2-1} - t_1^{\gamma_2-1}) + |\delta_1| (\gamma_2 - 1)(t_2^{\gamma_2-2} - t_1^{\gamma_2-2})) \\
 \leq & \varphi_q\left(\frac{k_1 + k_2}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)}\right) \left[ \frac{(t_2^{\alpha_2} - t_1^{\alpha_2})}{\Gamma(\alpha_2 + 1)} + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty |\delta_2|}{\delta_2^2 + \delta_1^2(\gamma_2 - 1)} (t_2^{\gamma_2-1} - t_1^{\gamma_2-1}) \right. \\
 & \left. + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty |\delta_1| (\gamma_2 - 1)}{\delta_2^2 + \delta_1^2(\gamma_2 - 1)} (t_2^{\gamma_2-2} - t_1^{\gamma_2-2}) \right], \\
 |D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2, \beta_2} R(u, \lambda)(t_2) - D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2, \beta_2} R(u, \lambda)(t_1)| \\
 \leq & \left| \int_0^{t_2} (t_2 - s) \varphi_q\left(\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_s^1 (x-s)^{\alpha_1-1} (I-Q)N_\lambda u(x) dx\right) ds \right.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - \int_0^{t_1} (t_1 - s) \varphi_q \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_s^1 (x - s)^{\alpha_1 - 1} (I - Q) N_\lambda u(x) dx \right) ds \Big| \\
 & + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty \varphi_q \left( \frac{k_1 + k_2}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)} \right)}{\delta_2^2 \Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + \delta_1^2 \Gamma(\gamma_2)} \\
 & \times \left( \frac{|\delta_2| \Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) \Gamma(\gamma_2)}{\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 2)} t_2^{\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1} - \frac{|\delta_2| \Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) \Gamma(\gamma_2)}{\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 2)} t_1^{\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1} \right) \\
 & \leq \int_0^{t_1} [(t_2 - s) - (t_1 - s)] \varphi_q \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_s^1 (x - s)^{\alpha_1 - 1} |(I - Q) N_\lambda u(x)| dx \right) ds \\
 & + \int_{t_1}^{t_2} (t_2 - s) \varphi_q \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_s^1 (x - s)^{\alpha_1 - 1} |(I - Q) N_\lambda u(x)| dx \right) ds \\
 & + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty \varphi_q \left( \frac{k_1 + k_2}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)} \right) |\delta_2| \Gamma(\gamma_2)}{\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 2) (\delta_2^2 + \delta_1^2 (\gamma_2 - 1))} (t_2^{\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1} - t_1^{\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1}) \\
 & \leq \varphi_q \left( \frac{k_1 + k_2}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)} \right) \left[ \int_0^{t_1} [(t_2 - s) - (t_1 - s)] ds + \int_{t_1}^{t_2} (t_2 - s) ds \right] \\
 & + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty \varphi_q \left( \frac{k_1 + k_2}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)} \right) |\delta_2| \Gamma(\gamma_2)}{\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 2) (\delta_2^2 + \delta_1^2 (\gamma_2 - 1))} (t_2^{\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1} - t_1^{\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1}) \\
 & \leq \varphi_q \left( \frac{k_1 + k_2}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)} \right) \left[ \frac{(t_2^2 - t_1^2)}{2} \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty |\delta_2| \Gamma(\gamma_2)}{\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 2) (\delta_2^2 + \delta_1^2 (\gamma_2 - 1))} (t_2^{\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1} - t_1^{\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1}) \right], \\
 & |D_{0+}^{\alpha_2 - 1, \beta_2} R(u, \lambda)(t_2) - D_{0+}^{\alpha_2 - 1, \beta_2} R(u, \lambda)(t_1)| \\
 & \leq \left| \int_0^{t_2} \varphi_q \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_s^1 (x - s)^{\alpha_1 - 1} (I - Q) N_\lambda u(x) dx \right) ds \right. \\
 & \quad \left. - \int_0^{t_1} \varphi_q \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_s^1 (x - s)^{\alpha_1 - 1} (I - Q) N_\lambda u(x) dx \right) ds \right| \\
 & \leq \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \varphi_q \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_s^1 (x - s)^{\alpha_1 - 1} |(I - Q) N_\lambda u(x)| dx \right) ds \\
 & \leq \varphi_q \left( \frac{k_1 + k_2}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)} \right) (t_2 - t_1).
 \end{aligned}$$

So,  $\{R(u, \lambda) \mid (u, \lambda) \in \overline{\Omega} \times [0, 1]\}$ ,  $\{D_{0+}^{\alpha_2 - 2, \beta_2} R(u, \lambda) \mid (u, \lambda) \in \overline{\Omega} \times [0, 1]\}$  and  $\{D_{0+}^{\alpha_2 - 1, \beta_2} R(u, \lambda) \mid (u, \lambda) \in \overline{\Omega} \times [0, 1]\}$  are equicontinuous. Next, we prove that  $\{D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} R(u, \lambda) \mid (u, \lambda) \in \overline{\Omega} \times [0, 1]\}$  is also equicontinuous.

For  $(u, \lambda) \in \overline{\Omega} \times [0, 1]$ ,  $0 \leq t_1 < t_2 \leq 1$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
 & |D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} R(u, \lambda)(t_2) - D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} R(u, \lambda)(t_1)| \\
 & = \left| \varphi_q \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_{t_2}^1 (s - t_2)^{\alpha_1 - 1} (I - Q) N_\lambda u(s) ds \right) \right. \\
 & \quad \left. - \varphi_q \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_{t_1}^1 (s - t_1)^{\alpha_1 - 1} (I - Q) N_\lambda u(s) ds \right) \right|.
 \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_{t_2}^1 (s - t_2)^{\alpha_1 - 1} (I - Q)N_\lambda u(s) ds - \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_{t_1}^1 (s - t_1)^{\alpha_1 - 1} (I - Q)N_\lambda u(s) ds \right| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \left( \int_{t_2}^1 [(s - t_2)^{\alpha_1 - 1} - (s - t_1)^{\alpha_1 - 1}] |(I - Q)N_\lambda u(s)| ds \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \int_{t_1}^{t_2} (s - t_1)^{\alpha_1 - 1} |(I - Q)N_\lambda u(s)| ds \right) \\ & \leq \frac{2(k_1 + k_2)}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)} (t_2 - t_1)^{\alpha_1}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\left| \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_t^1 (s - t)^{\alpha_1 - 1} (I - Q)N_\lambda u(s) ds \right| \leq \frac{k_1 + k_2}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)}, \quad (u, \lambda) \in \overline{\Omega} \times [0, 1],$$

and taking into account that  $\varphi_q$  is uniformly continuous in  $[-\frac{k_1+k_2}{\Gamma(\alpha_1+1)}, \frac{k_1+k_2}{\Gamma(\alpha_1+1)}]$ , we can obtain  $\{D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} R(u, \lambda) \mid (u, \lambda) \in \overline{\Omega} \times [0, 1]\}$  is also equicontinuous. By the Arzela–Ascoli theorem, we get that  $R : \Omega \times [0, 1] \rightarrow X_2$  is compact.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.5** *Assume that  $\Omega \subset X$  is an open and bounded set. Then  $N_\lambda$  is  $L$ -quasicompact in  $\overline{\Omega}$ .*

*Proof* It is obvious that  $\text{Im} P = \text{Ker} L$ ,  $\dim \text{Ker} L = \dim \text{Im} Q$ ,  $Q(I - Q) = 0$ ,  $\text{Ker} Q = \text{Im} L$ ,  $R(\cdot, 0) = 0$  and that Definition 2.2(b) holds.

For  $u \in \Sigma_\lambda = \{u \in \overline{\Omega} \mid Lu = N_\lambda u\}$ , we can get  $N_\lambda u \in \text{Im} L = \text{Ker} Q$ . Thus, we have  $QN_\lambda u = 0$  and  $N_\lambda u = Lu = D_{1-}^{\alpha_1, \beta_1} \varphi_p(D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1} N_\lambda u(t)) &= I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1} I_{1-}^{\beta_1(1-\alpha_1)} D_{1-}^{\gamma_1} \varphi_p(I_{0+}^{\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)} D_{0+}^{\gamma_2} u(t))) = I_{0+}^{\gamma_2} D_{0+}^{\gamma_2} u(t) \\ &= u(t) - \frac{D_{0+}^{\gamma_2-1} u(0)}{\Gamma(\gamma_2)} t^{\gamma_2-1} - \frac{D_{0+}^{\gamma_2-2} u(0)}{\Gamma(\gamma_2-1)} t^{\gamma_2-2} - \frac{D_{0+}^{\gamma_2-3} u(0)}{\Gamma(\gamma_2-2)} t^{\gamma_2-3}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $u(0) = 0$ , we obtain  $D_{0+}^{\gamma_2-3} u(0) = 0$ . It follows from  $D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u(1) = u(0) = D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} R(u, \lambda)(1) = R(u, \lambda)(0) = D_{0+}^{\gamma_2-3} u(0) = T_1(u) = 0$  that

$$\begin{aligned} R(u, \lambda) &= I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1} (N_\lambda u(t) - QN_\lambda u(t))) \\ &\quad - \frac{T_1(I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1} (N_\lambda u(t) - QN_\lambda u(t))))}{\delta_2^2 \Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + \delta_1^2 \Gamma(\gamma_2)} (\delta_2 \Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) t^{\gamma_2-1} + \delta_1 \Gamma(\gamma_2) t^{\gamma_2-2}) \\ &= u(t) - \frac{D_{0+}^{\gamma_2-1} u(0)}{\Gamma(\gamma_2)} t^{\gamma_2-1} - \frac{D_{0+}^{\gamma_2-2} u(0)}{\Gamma(\gamma_2-1)} t^{\gamma_2-2} \\ &\quad + \frac{T_1(\frac{D_{0+}^{\gamma_2-1} u(0)}{\Gamma(\gamma_2)} t^{\gamma_2-1}) + T_1(\frac{D_{0+}^{\gamma_2-2} u(0)}{\Gamma(\gamma_2-1)} t^{\gamma_2-2})}{\delta_2^2 \Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + \delta_1^2 \Gamma(\gamma_2)} (\delta_2 \Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) t^{\gamma_2-1} + \delta_1 \Gamma(\gamma_2) t^{\gamma_2-2}) \\ &= u(t) - \frac{D_{0+}^{\gamma_2-1} u(0)}{\Gamma(\gamma_2)} t^{\gamma_2-1} + \frac{\delta_2^2 \Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) D_{0+}^{\gamma_2-1} u(0) + \delta_1 \delta_2 \Gamma(\gamma_2) D_{0+}^{\gamma_2-2} u(0)}{\Gamma(\gamma_2) (\delta_2^2 \Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + \delta_1^2 \Gamma(\gamma_2))} t^{\gamma_2-1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -\frac{D_{0+}^{\gamma_2-2}u(0)}{\Gamma(\gamma_2-1)}t^{\gamma_2-2} + \frac{\delta_1\delta_2\Gamma(\gamma_2-1)D_{0+}^{\gamma_2-1}u(0) + \delta_1^2\Gamma(\gamma_2)D_{0+}^{\gamma_2-2}u(0)}{\Gamma(\gamma_2-1)(\delta_2^2\Gamma(\gamma_2-1) + \delta_1^2\Gamma(\gamma_2))}t^{\gamma_2-2} \\
 & = u(t) - \frac{\delta_2D_{0+}^{\gamma_2-2}u(0) - \delta_1D_{0+}^{\gamma_2-1}u(0)}{\delta_2^2\Gamma(\gamma_2-1) + \delta_1^2\Gamma(\gamma_2)}(\delta_2t^{\gamma_2-2} - \delta_1t^{\gamma_2-1}) \\
 & = u(t) - Pu(t) = (I - P)u,
 \end{aligned}$$

i.e., Definition 2.2(c) holds.

For  $u \in \overline{\Omega}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 L[Pu(t) + R(u, \lambda)(t)] & = I_{1-}^{\beta_1(1-\alpha_1)}D_{1-}^{\gamma_1}\varphi_p(I_{0+}^{\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)}D_{0+}^{\gamma_2}(Pu(t) + R(u, \lambda)(t))) \\
 & = I_{1-}^{\beta_1(1-\alpha_1)}D_{1-}^{\beta_1(1-\alpha_1)}(I - Q)N_\lambda u(t) \\
 & = (I - Q)N_\lambda u(t),
 \end{aligned}$$

i.e., Definition 2.2(d) holds. Therefore,  $N_\lambda$  is L-compact in  $\overline{\Omega}$ . □

**Theorem 3.6** *Suppose that  $(H_1)$ – $(H_3)$  and the following conditions hold:*

$(H_4)$  *There exists a constant  $M_0 > 0$  such that if  $|t^{-\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)}D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2,\beta_2}u(t)| + |t^{-\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)} \times D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1,\beta_2}u(t)| > M_0$ , then  $(T_2 - kT_1)(I_{0+}^{\alpha_2}\varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1}Nu(t))) \neq 0$ .*

$(H_5)$  *There exist nonnegative functions  $a(t), b(t), c(t), d(t), e(t) \in C[0, 1]$ , such that*

$$\begin{aligned}
 |f(t, x, y, z, w)| & \leq a(t) + b(t)\varphi_p(|x|) + c(t)\varphi_p(|y|) \\
 & \quad + d(t)\varphi_p(|z|) + e(t)\varphi_p(|w|), \quad x, y, z, w \in \mathbb{R},
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1) > A(\frac{2\Gamma(\gamma_2-1)+5\Gamma(\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)+1)\Gamma(\alpha_2+1)}{2\Gamma(\alpha_2+1)\Gamma(\gamma_2-1)})^{p-1}\|b\|_\infty + A3^{p-1}\|c\|_\infty + A2^{p-1}\|d\|_\infty + \|e\|_\infty, A = \max_{p \in (1, +\infty)}\{1, 2^{p-2}\}$ .

$(H_6)$  *There exists  $B_1 > 0$  such that one of the following inequalities holds:*

$$(1) \quad cQN(c(\delta_2t^{\gamma_2-2} - \delta_1t^{\gamma_2-1})) > 0, \quad (2) \quad cQN(c(\delta_2t^{\gamma_2-2} - \delta_1t^{\gamma_2-1})) < 0.$$

Then problem (1.1) has at least one solution in  $X$ .

**Lemma 3.7** *Suppose that  $(H_4)$  and  $(H_5)$  hold, then  $\Omega_1 = \{u \mid u \in \text{dom } L \setminus \text{Ker } L, Lu = N_\lambda u, \lambda \in (0, 1)\}$  is bounded in  $X$ .*

*Proof* For  $u \in \text{dom } L$ , according to Lemma 2.8, we obtain

$$u(t) = I_{0+}^{\gamma_2}D_{0+}^{\gamma_2}u(t) + c_1t^{\gamma_2-1} + c_2t^{\gamma_2-2}. \tag{3.6}$$

Applying  $D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1,\beta_2}$  and  $D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2,\beta_2}$  to both sides of (3.6) respectively, we can get

$$\begin{aligned}
 D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1,\beta_2}u(t) & = \int_0^t D_{0+}^{\alpha_2,\beta_2}u(s) ds + \frac{c_1\Gamma(\gamma_2)}{\Gamma(\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)+1)}t^{\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)}, \\
 D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2,\beta_2}u(t) & = \int_0^t (t-s)D_{0+}^{\alpha_2,\beta_2}u(s) ds + \frac{c_1\Gamma(\gamma_2)}{\Gamma(\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)+2)}t^{\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)+1} \\
 & \quad + \frac{c_2\Gamma(\gamma_2-1)}{\Gamma(\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)+1)}t^{\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$c_1 = \frac{\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)}{\Gamma(\gamma_2)} \left( t^{-\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)} D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2} u(t) - t^{-\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)} \int_0^t D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u(s) ds \right), \tag{3.7}$$

$$c_2 = \frac{\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)}{\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1)} \left( t^{-\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)} D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2, \beta_2} u(t) - t^{-\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)} \int_0^t (t - s) D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u(s) ds - \frac{c_1 \Gamma(\gamma_2) t}{\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 2)} \right). \tag{3.8}$$

For  $u \in \Omega_1$ , we have  $Lu = N_\lambda u$ ,  $N_\lambda u \in \text{Im} L = \text{Ker} Q$ , we get  $QN_\lambda u(t) = 0$ . It follows from  $(H_4)$  that there exists  $t_0 \in (0, 1]$ , such that  $|t_0^{-\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)} D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2, \beta_2} u(t_0)| + |t_0^{-\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)} D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2} u(t_0)| \leq M_0$ , then  $|t_0^{-\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)} D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2, \beta_2} u(t_0)| \leq M_0$  and  $|t_0^{-\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)} D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2} u(t_0)| \leq M_0$ . Taking  $t = t_0$  into equations (3.7) and (3.8), we have

$$\begin{aligned} |c_1| &\leq \frac{\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)}{\Gamma(\gamma_2)} (M_0 + \|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u\|_\infty), \\ |c_2| &\leq \frac{\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)}{\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1)} \left( M_0 + \frac{1}{2} \|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u\|_\infty + \frac{|c_1| \Gamma(\gamma_2)}{\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 2)} \right) \\ &\leq \frac{\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)}{\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1)} \left( 2M_0 + \frac{3}{2} \|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u\|_\infty \right). \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2} u\|_\infty \leq M_0 + 2 \|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u\|_\infty, \quad \|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2, \beta_2} u\|_\infty \leq 3(M_0 + \|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u\|_\infty).$$

Since  $u(t)$  in (3.6) can also be written as  $u(t) = I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u(t) + c_1 t^{\gamma_2-1} + c_2 t^{\gamma_2-2}$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \|u\|_\infty &\leq \frac{3\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)}{\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1)} M_0 \\ &\quad + \frac{2\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + 5\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)\Gamma(\alpha_2 + 1)}{2\Gamma(\alpha_2 + 1)\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1)} \|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u\|_\infty. \end{aligned}$$

According to  $Lu(t) = N_\lambda u(t)$  and boundary conditions, we can get

$$u(t) = I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1} N_\lambda u(t)) + c_3 t^{\gamma_2-1} + c_4 t^{\gamma_2-2}.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} &|\varphi_p(D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u(t))| \\ &= |\varphi_p(I_{0+}^{\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)} D_{0+}^{\gamma_2} I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1} N_\lambda u(t)))| = |I_{1-}^{\alpha_1} N_\lambda u(t)| \\ &\leq \frac{\lambda}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_t^1 (s - t)^{\alpha_1-1} |f(s, u(s), D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2, \beta_2} u(s), D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2} u(s), D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u(s))| ds \\ &\leq \frac{\lambda}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_t^1 (s - t)^{\alpha_1-1} (a(t) + b(t)\varphi_p(|u(s)|) + c(t)\varphi_p(|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2, \beta_2} u(t)|) \\ &\quad + d(t)\varphi_p(|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2} u(t)|) + e(t)\varphi_p(|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u(t)|)) ds \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)} (\|a\|_\infty + \|b\|_\infty \|u\|_\infty^{p-1} + \|c\|_\infty \|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2, \beta_2} u\|_\infty^{p-1} + \|d\|_\infty \|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2} u\|_\infty^{p-1} \\ &\quad + \|e\|_\infty \|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u\|_\infty^{p-1}) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)} \left[ \|a\|_\infty + \|b\|_\infty \left( \frac{2\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + 5\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)\Gamma(\alpha_2 + 1)}{2\Gamma(\alpha_2 + 1)\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1)} \|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u\|_\infty \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + \frac{3M_0\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)}{\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1)} \right)^{p-1} + \|c\|_\infty (3M_0 + 3\|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u\|_\infty)^{p-1} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \|d\|_\infty (M_0 + 2\|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u\|_\infty)^{p-1} + \|e\|_\infty \|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u\|_\infty^{p-1} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

It is known that  $|\varphi_p(D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u(t))| = |D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u(t)|^{p-1}$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} &|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u(t)|^{p-1} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)} \left[ \|a\|_\infty + \|b\|_\infty \left( \frac{2\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + 5\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)\Gamma(\alpha_2 + 1)}{2\Gamma(\alpha_2 + 1)\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1)} \|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u\|_\infty \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + \frac{3M_0\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)}{\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1)} \right)^{p-1} + \|c\|_\infty (3M_0 + 3\|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u\|_\infty)^{p-1} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \|d\|_\infty (M_0 + 2\|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u\|_\infty)^{p-1} + \|e\|_\infty \|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u\|_\infty^{p-1} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

If  $1 < p \leq 2$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} &\|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u\|_\infty^{p-1} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)} \left[ \|a\|_\infty + \|b\|_\infty \left( \frac{2\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + 5\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)\Gamma(\alpha_2 + 1)}{2\Gamma(\alpha_2 + 1)\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1)} \right)^{p-1} \right. \\ &\quad \times \|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u\|_\infty^{p-1} \\ &\quad \left. + \|b\|_\infty \left( \frac{3M_0\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)}{\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1)} \right)^{p-1} + \|c\|_\infty (3M_0)^{p-1} + \|c\|_\infty 3^{p-1} \|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u\|_\infty^{p-1} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \|d\|_\infty M_0^{p-1} + \|d\|_\infty 2^{p-1} \|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u\|_\infty^{p-1} + \|e\|_\infty \|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u\|_\infty^{p-1} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently,

$$\begin{aligned} &\|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u\|_\infty \\ &\leq \left( \frac{\|a\|_\infty + \|b\|_\infty \left( \frac{3M_0\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)}{\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1)} \right)^{p-1} + \|c\|_\infty (3M_0)^{p-1} + \|d\|_\infty M_0^{p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1) - [\|b\|_\infty \left( \frac{2\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + 5\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)\Gamma(\alpha_2 + 1)}{2\Gamma(\alpha_2 + 1)\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1)} \right)^{p-1} + \|c\|_\infty 3^{p-1} + \|d\|_\infty 2^{p-1} + \|e\|_\infty]} \right)^{p-1}. \end{aligned}$$

If  $p > 2$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} &\|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2} u\|_\infty \\ &\leq \left( \frac{\|a\|_\infty + 2^{p-1} \|b\|_\infty \left( \frac{3M_0\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)}{\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1)} \right)^{p-1} + 2^{p-1} \|c\|_\infty (3M_0)^{p-1} + 2^{p-1} \|d\|_\infty M_0^{p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1) - 2^{p-1} [\|b\|_\infty \left( \frac{2\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + 5\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)\Gamma(\alpha_2 + 1)}{2\Gamma(\alpha_2 + 1)\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1)} \right)^{p-1} + \|c\|_\infty 3^{p-1} + \|d\|_\infty 2^{p-1} + \frac{\|e\|_\infty}{2^{p-1}}]} \right)^{p-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Set  $A = \max_{p \in (1, +\infty)} \{1, 2^{p-2}\}$ , then the above inequality is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} & \|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2}\|_{\infty} \\ & \leq \left( \frac{\|a\|_{\infty} + A\|b\|_{\infty} \left(\frac{3M_0\Gamma(\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)+1)}{\Gamma(\gamma_2-1)}\right)^{p-1} + A\|c\|_{\infty}(3M_0)^{p-1} + A\|d\|_{\infty}M_0^{p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha_1+1) - [A\|b\|_{\infty} \left(\frac{2\Gamma(\gamma_2-1)+5\Gamma(\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)+1)\Gamma(\alpha_2+1)}{2\Gamma(\alpha_2+1)\Gamma(\gamma_2-1)}\right)^{p-1} + A\|c\|_{\infty}3^{p-1} + A\|d\|_{\infty}2^{p-1} + \|e\|_{\infty}]} \right)^{p-1} \\ & := M_1. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} & \|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2}\|_{\infty} \leq M_1, \quad \|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2}\|_{\infty} \leq M_0 + 2M_1, \quad \|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2, \beta_2}\|_{\infty} \leq 3(M_0 + M_1), \\ & \|u\|_{\infty} \leq \frac{3\Gamma(\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)+1)}{\Gamma(\gamma_2-1)}M_0 + \frac{2\Gamma(\gamma_2-1)+5\Gamma(\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)+1)\Gamma(\alpha_2+1)}{2\Gamma(\alpha_2+1)\Gamma(\gamma_2-1)}M_1 := M_2, \end{aligned}$$

we can get

$$\begin{aligned} \|u\|_X &= \max\{\|u\|_{\infty}, \|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2, \beta_2}u\|_{\infty}, \|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2}u\|_{\infty}, \|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2, \beta_2}u\|_{\infty}\} \\ & \leq \max\{M_2, 3(M_0 + M_1), M_0 + 2M_1, M_1\} := M_3. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we can conclude that  $\Omega_1$  is bounded in  $X$ . □

**Lemma 3.8** *Suppose that  $(H_1)$ – $(H_3)$  and  $(H_6)$  hold, then  $\Omega_2 = \{u | u \in \text{Ker } L, QNu = 0\}$  is bounded in  $X$ .*

*Proof* Let  $u \in \Omega_2$ , we have  $u(t) = c(\delta_2 t^{\gamma_2-2} - \delta_1 t^{\gamma_2-1})$ ,  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Since  $QNu(t) = 0$ , according to  $(H_6)$ , there exists a constant  $B_1 > 0$  such that  $|c| \leq B_1$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \|u\|_{\infty} & \leq B_1(|\delta_2| + |\delta_1|), \\ \|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2, \beta_2}u\|_{\infty} & \leq B_1 \left( \frac{|\delta_2|(\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)+1)\Gamma(\gamma_2-1) + |\delta_1|\Gamma(\gamma_2)}{\Gamma(\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)+2)} \right), \\ \|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2}u\|_{\infty} & \leq \frac{B_1|\delta_1|\Gamma(\gamma_2)}{\Gamma(\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)+1)}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \|u\|_X & \leq \max\left\{ B_1(|\delta_2| + |\delta_1|), B_1 \left( \frac{|\delta_2|(\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)+1)\Gamma(\gamma_2-1) + |\delta_1|\Gamma(\gamma_2)}{\Gamma(\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)+2)} \right), \right. \\ & \quad \left. \frac{B_1|\delta_1|\Gamma(\gamma_2)}{\Gamma(\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)+1)} \right\} \\ & := M_4, \end{aligned}$$

we can conclude that  $\Omega_2$  is bounded in  $X$ . □

*Proof of Theorem 3.6* Let  $\Omega \supset \overline{\Omega_1} \cup \overline{\Omega_2} \cup \{u | u \in X, \|u\|_X \leq \max\{M_3, M_4\} + 1\}$  be an open and bounded set of  $X$ . By Lemma 3.7 and Lemma 3.8, we can get  $Lu \neq N_{\lambda}u$ ,  $u \in \text{dom } L \cap \partial\Omega$  and  $QNu \neq 0$ ,  $u \in \text{Ker } L \cap \partial\Omega$ .



Let  $H(u, \xi) = \rho\xi u + (1 - \xi)JQN u$ ,  $\xi \in [0, 1]$ ,  $u \in \text{Ker } L \cap \overline{\Omega}$ , where  $J : \text{Im } Q \rightarrow \text{Ker } L$  is a homeomorphism with  $Jc = c(\delta_2 t^{\gamma_2-2} - \delta_1 t^{\gamma_2-1})$ ,

$$\rho = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } (H_6) \text{ (1) holds,} \\ -1, & \text{if } (H_6) \text{ (2) holds.} \end{cases}$$

For  $u \in \text{Ker } L \cap \partial\Omega$ , we have  $u(t) = c(\delta_2 t^{\gamma_2-2} - \delta_1 t^{\gamma_2-1})$ . Therefore

$$H(u, \xi) = \rho\xi c(\delta_2 t^{\gamma_2-2} - \delta_1 t^{\gamma_2-1}) + (1 - \xi)QN(c(\delta_2 t^{\gamma_2-2} - \delta_1 t^{\gamma_2-1}))(\delta_2 t^{\gamma_2-2} - \delta_1 t^{\gamma_2-1}).$$

If  $\xi = 1$ , then  $H(u, 1) = \rho c(\delta_2 t^{\gamma_2-2} - \delta_1 t^{\gamma_2-1}) \neq 0$ . If  $\xi = 0$ , then  $H(u, 0) = QN(c(\delta_2 t^{\gamma_2-2} - \delta_1 t^{\gamma_2-1}))(\delta_2 t^{\gamma_2-2} - \delta_1 t^{\gamma_2-1}) \neq 0$ . If  $0 < \xi < 1$ , suppose  $H(u, \xi) = 0$ , then  $\rho\xi c(\delta_2 t^{\gamma_2-2} - \delta_1 t^{\gamma_2-1}) = -(1 - \xi)QN(c(\delta_2 t^{\gamma_2-2} - \delta_1 t^{\gamma_2-1}))(\delta_2 t^{\gamma_2-2} - \delta_1 t^{\gamma_2-1})$ . So,  $c = -(\frac{1-\xi}{\rho\xi})QN(c(\delta_2 t^{\gamma_2-2} - \delta_1 t^{\gamma_2-1}))$ . By  $(H_6)$ , we get

$$c^2 = -\left(\frac{1-\xi}{\rho\xi}\right)cQN(c(\delta_2 t^{\gamma_2-2} - \delta_1 t^{\gamma_2-1})) < 0.$$

A contradiction. That is,  $H(u, \xi) \neq 0$ ,  $u \in \text{Ker } L \cap \partial\Omega$ ,  $\xi \in [0, 1]$ .

Therefore, via the homotopy property of degree, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \deg(JQN, \Omega \cap \text{Ker } L, 0) &= \deg(H(\cdot, 0), \Omega \cap \text{Ker } L, 0) \\ &= \deg(H(\cdot, 1), \Omega \cap \text{Ker } L, 0) \\ &= \deg(\rho I, \Omega \cap \text{Ker } L, 0) \neq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Applying Lemma 2.3, we conclude that boundary value problem (1.1) has at least one solution in  $X$ . □

For another result of problem (1.1), suppose that the inequality  $|t^{-\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)} D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2, \beta_2} u(t)| + |t^{-\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)} D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2} u(t)| > M_0$  in condition  $(H_4)$  is replaced by  $|t^{-\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)} D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2} u(t)| > M'_0$  or  $|t^{-\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)} D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2, \beta_2} u(t)| > M''_0$ , which will cause the proof of Lemma 3.7 to change, but the result of Theorem 3.6 can still be obtained, as shown below.

**Theorem 3.9** *Suppose that  $(H_1)$ – $(H_3)$ ,  $(H_6)$  and the following conditions hold:*

- $(H_7)$  *There exists a constant  $M'_0 > 0$  such that if  $|t^{-\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)} D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2} u(t)| > M'_0$ , then  $(T_2 - kT_1)(I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_1^{\alpha_1} Nu(t))) \neq 0$ .*
- $(H_8)$  *There exist nonnegative functions  $a(t), b(t), c(t), d(t), e(t) \in C[0, 1]$ , such that*

$$\begin{aligned} |f(t, x, y, z, w)| &\leq a(t) + b(t)\varphi_p(|x|) + c(t)\varphi_p(|y|) \\ &\quad + d(t)\varphi_p(|z|) + e(t)\varphi_p(|w|), \quad x, y, z, w \in R, \end{aligned}$$

where  $L(C_1M + C_2)(\|b\|_\infty + \|c\|_\infty + \|d\|_\infty + \|e\|_\infty)^{q-1} < 1$ ,  $L = \max_{q \in (1, +\infty)} \{1, 2^{q-2}\}$ ,

$$C_1 = \max \left\{ |\delta_2| + |\delta_1|, \frac{|\delta_2|(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + |\delta_1|\Gamma(\gamma_2)}{\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 2)}, \frac{|\delta_1|\Gamma(\gamma_2)}{\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)} \right\},$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_2 &= \max \left\{ 1 + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty (|\delta_2|\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + |\delta_1|\Gamma(\gamma_2))}{\delta_2^2\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + \delta_1^2\Gamma(\gamma_2)}, \right. \\
 &\quad \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty (|\delta_2|\Gamma(\gamma_2) + (\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)|\delta_1|\Gamma(\gamma_2))}{(\delta_2^2 + \delta_1^2(\gamma_2 - 1))\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 2)}, \\
 &\quad \left. 1 + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty |\delta_2|\Gamma(\gamma_2)}{(\delta_2^2 + \delta_1^2(\gamma_2 - 1))\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)} \right\} \times \varphi_q \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)} \right), \\
 M &= \frac{\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)\varphi_q\left(\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)}\right)}{|\delta_1|\Gamma(\gamma_2)} + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty |\delta_2|\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1)\varphi_q\left(\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)}\right)}{|\delta_1|(\delta_2^2\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + \delta_1^2\Gamma(\gamma_2))}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Then problem (1.1) has at least one solution in  $X$ .

*Proof* For  $u \in \Omega_1$ , we have  $QN_\lambda u(t) = 0$ . It follows from  $(H_7)$  that there exists  $t_0 \in (0, 1]$ , such that  $|t_0^{-\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)} D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2} u(t_0)| \leq M'_0$ . By Lemma 3.5, we obtain  $R(u, \lambda)(t) = (I - P)u(t) = u(t) - Pu(t)$ . So  $D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2} Pu(t) = D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2} u(t) - D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2} R(u, \lambda)(t)$ . According to the definition of  $P$ , we can get

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\left| \frac{\delta_2 D_{0+}^{\gamma_2-2} u(0) - \delta_1 D_{0+}^{\gamma_2-1} u(0)}{\delta_2^2\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + \delta_1^2\Gamma(\gamma_2)} \right| \\
 &\leq \frac{\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)}{|\delta_1|\Gamma(\gamma_2)} \left( |t^{-\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)} D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2} u(t)| + |t^{-\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)} D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2} R(u, \lambda)(t)| \right). \quad (3.9)
 \end{aligned}$$

Taking  $t = t_0$  into equation (3.9), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\left| \frac{\delta_2 D_{0+}^{\gamma_2-2} u(0) - \delta_1 D_{0+}^{\gamma_2-1} u(0)}{\delta_2^2\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + \delta_1^2\Gamma(\gamma_2)} \right| \\
 &\leq \frac{\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)}{|\delta_1|\Gamma(\gamma_2)} \left( M'_0 + |t_0^{-\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)} D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2} R(u, \lambda)(t_0)| \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned}
 &|t_0^{-\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)} D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1, \beta_2} R(u, \lambda)(t_0)| \\
 &\leq t_0^{-\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)} \int_0^{t_0} \varphi_q \left( \int_s^1 \frac{(x-s)^{\alpha_1-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} |N_\lambda u(x)| dx \right) ds \\
 &\quad + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty \|I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1} N_\lambda u)\|_X |\delta_2|\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1)\Gamma(\gamma_2)}{(\delta_2^2\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + \delta_1^2\Gamma(\gamma_2))\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)} \\
 &\leq t_0^{-\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)} \int_0^{t_0} \varphi_q \left( \frac{\|N_\lambda u\|_\infty}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)} \right) ds + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty |\delta_2|\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1)\Gamma(\gamma_2)\varphi_q\left(\frac{\|N_\lambda u\|_\infty}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)}\right)}{(\delta_2^2\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + \delta_1^2\Gamma(\gamma_2))\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)} \\
 &\leq \left[ \varphi_q \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)} \right) + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty |\delta_2|\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1)\Gamma(\gamma_2)\varphi_q\left(\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)}\right)}{(\delta_2^2\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + \delta_1^2\Gamma(\gamma_2))\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)} \right] \\
 &\quad \times \|N_\lambda u\|_\infty^{q-1},
 \end{aligned}$$

we can obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{\delta_2 D_{0+}^{\gamma_2-2} u(0) - \delta_1 D_{0+}^{\gamma_2-1} u(0)}{\delta_2^2 \Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + \delta_1^2 \Gamma(\gamma_2)} \right| \\ & \leq \left[ \frac{\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1) \varphi_q\left(\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1+1)}\right)}{|\delta_1| \Gamma(\gamma_2)} + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty |\delta_2| \Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) \varphi_q\left(\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1+1)}\right)}{|\delta_1| (\delta_2^2 \Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + \delta_1^2 \Gamma(\gamma_2))} \right] \|N_\lambda u\|_\infty^{q-1} \\ & \quad + \frac{M'_0 \Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)}{|\delta_1| \Gamma(\gamma_2)}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \|Pu\|_X & \leq \max \left\{ |\delta_2| + |\delta_1|, \frac{|\delta_2|(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + |\delta_1| \Gamma(\gamma_2)}{\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 2)}, \frac{|\delta_1| \Gamma(\gamma_2)}{\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)} \right\} \\ & \quad \times \left( \left[ \frac{\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1) \varphi_q\left(\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1+1)}\right)}{|\delta_1| \Gamma(\gamma_2)} + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty |\delta_2| \Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) \varphi_q\left(\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1+1)}\right)}{|\delta_1| (\delta_2^2 \Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + \delta_1^2 \Gamma(\gamma_2))} \right] \right. \\ & \quad \times \|N_\lambda u\|_\infty^{q-1} + \left. \frac{M'_0 \Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)}{|\delta_1| \Gamma(\gamma_2)} \right) \\ & := C_1 \left( M \|N_\lambda u\|_\infty^{q-1} + \frac{M'_0 \Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)}{|\delta_1| \Gamma(\gamma_2)} \right), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} C_1 & = \max \left\{ |\delta_2| + |\delta_1|, \frac{|\delta_2|(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)\Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + |\delta_1| \Gamma(\gamma_2)}{\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 2)}, \frac{|\delta_1| \Gamma(\gamma_2)}{\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)} \right\}, \\ M & = \frac{\Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1) \varphi_q\left(\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1+1)}\right)}{|\delta_1| \Gamma(\gamma_2)} + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty |\delta_2| \Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) \varphi_q\left(\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1+1)}\right)}{|\delta_1| (\delta_2^2 \Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + \delta_1^2 \Gamma(\gamma_2))}. \end{aligned}$$

According to Lemma 3.4, we can get

$$\begin{aligned} \|R(u, \lambda)\|_X & \leq \left[ \max \left\{ 1 + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty (|\delta_2| \Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + |\delta_1| \Gamma(\gamma_2))}{\delta_2^2 \Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + \delta_1^2 \Gamma(\gamma_2)}, \right. \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left. 1 + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty |\delta_2| \Gamma(\gamma_2)}{(\delta_2^2 + \delta_1^2 (\gamma_2 - 1)) \Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)}, \right. \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left. \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty (|\delta_2| \Gamma(\gamma_2) + (\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1) |\delta_1| \Gamma(\gamma_2))}{(\delta_2^2 + \delta_1^2 (\gamma_2 - 1)) \Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 2)} \right\} \times \varphi_q \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)} \right) \right] \\ & \quad \times \|N_\lambda u\|_\infty^{q-1} \\ & := C_2 \|N_\lambda u\|_\infty^{q-1}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} C_2 & = \max \left\{ 1 + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty (|\delta_2| \Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + |\delta_1| \Gamma(\gamma_2))}{\delta_2^2 \Gamma(\gamma_2 - 1) + \delta_1^2 \Gamma(\gamma_2)}, \right. \\ & \quad \left. 1 + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty |\delta_2| \Gamma(\gamma_2)}{(\delta_2^2 + \delta_1^2 (\gamma_2 - 1)) \Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1)}, \right. \\ & \quad \left. \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\|T_1\|_\infty (|\delta_2| \Gamma(\gamma_2) + (\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 1) |\delta_1| \Gamma(\gamma_2))}{(\delta_2^2 + \delta_1^2 (\gamma_2 - 1)) \Gamma(\beta_2(3 - \alpha_2) + 2)} \right\} \times \varphi_q \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Using Lemma 3.5 and hypothetical condition  $(H_8)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|u\|_X &\leq \|Pu\|_X + \|R(u, \lambda)\|_X \\ &\leq (C_1M + C_2)\|N_\lambda u\|_\infty^{q-1} + \frac{C_1M'_0\Gamma(\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)+1)}{|\delta_1|\Gamma(\gamma_2)} \\ &\leq (C_1M + C_2)(\|a\|_\infty + \|b\|_\infty\|u\|_\infty^{p-1} + \|c\|_\infty\|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2,\beta_2}u\|_\infty^{p-1} \\ &\quad + \|d\|_\infty\|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1,\beta_2}u\|_\infty^{p-1} + \|e\|_\infty\|D_{0+}^{\alpha_2,\beta_2}u\|_\infty^{p-1})^{q-1} + \frac{C_1M'_0\Gamma(\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)+1)}{|\delta_1|\Gamma(\gamma_2)}. \end{aligned}$$

If  $1 < q \leq 2$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \|u\|_X &\leq (C_1M + C_2)\|a\|_\infty^{q-1} + (C_1M + C_2)(\|b\|_\infty + \|c\|_\infty + \|d\|_\infty + \|e\|_\infty)^{q-1}\|u\|_X \\ &\quad + \frac{C_1M'_0\Gamma(\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)+1)}{|\delta_1|\Gamma(\gamma_2)}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\|u\|_X \leq \frac{(C_1M + C_2)\|a\|_\infty^{q-1} + \frac{C_1M'_0\Gamma(\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)+1)}{|\delta_1|\Gamma(\gamma_2)}}{1 - (C_1M + C_2)(\|b\|_\infty + \|c\|_\infty + \|d\|_\infty + \|e\|_\infty)^{q-1}}.$$

If  $q > 2$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \|u\|_X &\leq 2^{q-2}(C_1M + C_2)\|a\|_\infty^{q-1} \\ &\quad + 2^{q-2}(C_1M + C_2)(\|b\|_\infty + \|c\|_\infty + \|d\|_\infty + \|e\|_\infty)^{q-1}\|u\|_X \\ &\quad + \frac{C_1M'_0\Gamma(\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)+1)}{|\delta_1|\Gamma(\gamma_2)}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\|u\|_X \leq \frac{2^{q-2}(C_1M + C_2)\|a\|_\infty^{q-1} + \frac{C_1M'_0\Gamma(\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)+1)}{|\delta_1|\Gamma(\gamma_2)}}{1 - 2^{q-2}(C_1M + C_2)(\|b\|_\infty + \|c\|_\infty + \|d\|_\infty + \|e\|_\infty)^{q-1}}.$$

Set  $L = \max_{q \in (1, +\infty)} \{1, 2^{q-2}\}$ , then the above inequality is equivalent to

$$\|u\|_X \leq \frac{L(C_1M + C_2)\|a\|_\infty^{q-1} + \frac{C_1M'_0\Gamma(\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)+1)}{|\delta_1|\Gamma(\gamma_2)}}{1 - L(C_1M + C_2)(\|b\|_\infty + \|c\|_\infty + \|d\|_\infty + \|e\|_\infty)^{q-1}}.$$

This means that  $\Omega_1$  is bounded. The remaining proof is similar to Theorem 3.6 and is omitted here. Finally, we can get that boundary value problem (1.1) has at least one solution in  $X$ . □

*Remark* When the inequality  $|t^{-\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)}D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-1,\beta_2}u(t)| > M'_0$  in assumption condition  $(H_7)$  is replaced by  $|t^{-\beta_2(3-\alpha_2)}D_{0+}^{\alpha_2-2,\beta_2}u(t)| > M''_0$ , the method of proving the existence of the solution of boundary value problem (1.1) is similar to Theorem 3.9. There is no detailed explanation here.

### 4 Example

Consider the following boundary value problem at resonance:

$$\begin{cases} D_{1-}^{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}} \varphi_{\frac{3}{2}}(D_{0+}^{\frac{5}{2}, \frac{1}{2}} u(t)) = \frac{1}{45} [5 + \sin(\sqrt{|u(t)|}) + \sin(\sqrt{|D_{0+}^{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}} u(t)|}) + \sin(\sqrt{|D_{0+}^{\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2}} u(t)|}) \\ \quad + \sin(\sqrt{|D_{0+}^{\frac{5}{2}, \frac{1}{2}} u(t)|})], \quad t \in [0, 1], \\ u(0) = D_{0+}^{\frac{5}{2}, \frac{1}{2}} u(1) = 0, \quad T_1(u) = D_{0+}^{\frac{7}{4}} u(1) + D_{0+}^{\frac{3}{4}} u(1) = 0, \\ T_2(u) = 2D_{0+}^{\frac{7}{4}} u(1) + \int_0^2 D_{0+}^{\frac{3}{4}} u(t) dt = 0. \end{cases} \tag{4.1}$$

Corresponding to boundary value problem (1.1), we have  $\alpha_1 = \frac{1}{2}, \alpha_2 = \frac{5}{2}, \beta_1 = \frac{1}{3}, \beta_2 = \frac{1}{2}, \gamma_1 = \frac{2}{3}, \gamma_2 = \frac{11}{4}, p = \frac{3}{2}, k = 2$  and

$$f(t, u(t), D_{0+}^{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}} u(t), D_{0+}^{\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2}} u(t), D_{0+}^{\frac{5}{2}, \frac{1}{2}} u(t)) = \frac{1}{45} [5 + \sin(\sqrt{|u(t)|}) + \sin(\sqrt{|D_{0+}^{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}} u(t)|}) \\ + \sin(\sqrt{|D_{0+}^{\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2}} u(t)|}) + \sin(\sqrt{|D_{0+}^{\frac{5}{2}, \frac{1}{2}} u(t)|})].$$

Boundary value problem (4.1) is at resonance with

$$\text{Ker } L = \left\{ c \left( \frac{2t^{\frac{3}{4}}}{\Gamma(\frac{7}{4})} - \frac{t^{\frac{7}{4}}}{\Gamma(\frac{11}{4})} \right), c \in R \right\}, \quad D_{0+}^{\frac{7}{4}} u(t) = -c, \quad D_{0+}^{\frac{3}{4}} u(t) = c(2 - t).$$

Thus,

$$T_1(t^{\frac{3}{4}}) = \delta_1 = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\frac{11}{4})} \neq 0, \quad T_1(t^{\frac{7}{4}}) = \delta_2 = \frac{2}{\Gamma(\frac{7}{4})} \neq 0.$$

Take  $a(t) = \frac{1}{9}, b(t) = c(t) = d(t) = e(t) = \frac{1}{45}$ , and  $q = 3$ , then

$$C_1 = \max\{1.715, 3.097, 1.098\} = 3.097, \quad C_2 = \max\{2.714, 1.148, 2.219\} = 2.714, \\ M = \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(1.5)} \right)^2 \Gamma(0.25) + \frac{2(\frac{1}{\Gamma(1.5)})^2}{4\Gamma(2.75)(\frac{4}{\Gamma(1.75)} + \frac{1}{\Gamma(2.75)})} = 8.00025, \quad L = \max\{1, 2^2\} = 4.$$

Therefore,

$$L(C_1 M + C_2)(\|b\|_{\infty} + \|c\|_{\infty} + \|d\|_{\infty} + \|e\|_{\infty})^{q-1} = 0.8688 < 1, \\ |f(t, x, y, z, w)| \leq \frac{1}{9} + \frac{1}{45} \varphi_p(|x|) + \frac{1}{45} \varphi_p(|y|) + \frac{1}{45} \varphi_p(|z|) + \frac{1}{45} \varphi_p(|w|).$$

That means condition  $(H_8)$  holds.

Let  $M'_0 = 5$ , if  $|t^{-\frac{1}{4}} D_{0+}^{\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2}} u(t)| > M'_0$  holds for any  $t \in (0, 1]$ , then

$$f(t, u(t), D_{0+}^{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}} u(t), D_{0+}^{\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2}} u(t), D_{0+}^{\frac{5}{2}, \frac{1}{2}} u(t)) \\ = \frac{1}{45} [5 + \sin(\sqrt{|u(t)|}) + \sin(\sqrt{|D_{0+}^{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}} u(t)|}) + \sin(\sqrt{|D_{0+}^{\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2}} u(t)|}) + \sin(\sqrt{|D_{0+}^{\frac{5}{2}, \frac{1}{2}} u(t)|})] \\ > 0$$

and

$$(T_2 - kT_1)(I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1} Nu(t))) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\frac{7}{4})} \int_0^2 \left[ \int_0^t (t-s)^{\frac{3}{4}} \varphi_3(I_{1-}^{\frac{1}{2}} Nu(s)) ds - \int_0^1 (1-s)^{\frac{3}{4}} \varphi_3(I_{1-}^{\frac{1}{2}} Nu(s)) ds \right] dt < 0.$$

Hence, condition  $(H_7)$  holds.

Similarly, let  $B_1 = 24$ ,  $u(t) = c(\frac{2t^{\frac{3}{4}}}{\Gamma(\frac{7}{4})} - \frac{t^{\frac{7}{4}}}{\Gamma(\frac{11}{4})})$ ,  $c \in R$ , if  $|c| > B_1$ , then  $|t^{-\frac{1}{4}} D_{0+}^{\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2}} u(t)| = \frac{1}{4}|c| > M'_0$ . Therefore,  $(T_2 - kT_1)(I_{0+}^{\alpha_2} \varphi_q(I_{1-}^{\alpha_1} Nc(\frac{2t^{\frac{3}{4}}}{\Gamma(\frac{7}{4})} - \frac{t^{\frac{7}{4}}}{\Gamma(\frac{11}{4})}))) \neq 0$ . Clearly, condition  $(H_6)$  holds. Through the application of Theorem 3.9, we obtain that boundary value problem (4.1) has at least one solution.

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