

# EXISTENCE, UNIQUENESS AND ULAM-HYERS-RASSIAS STABILITY OF DIFFERENTIAL COUPLED SYSTEMS WITH RIESZ-CAPUTO FRACTIONAL DERIVATIVE

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**ABSTRACT.** This article deals with the existence, uniqueness and Ulam-Hyers-Rassias stability results for a class of coupled systems for implicit fractional differential equations with Riesz-Caputo fractional derivative and boundary conditions. We will employ the Banach’s contraction principle as well as Schauder’s fixed point theorem to demonstrate our existence results. We provide an example to illustrate the obtained results.

## 1. Introduction

Because of its importance in the modeling and scientific understanding of natural processes, fractional calculus has long been an essential study topic in functional space theory. Several applications in viscoelasticity and electrochemistry have been studied. Non-integer derivatives of fractional order have been utilized successfully to generalize fundamental natural principles. For more details, we recommend [1–4, 7, 14, 18, 19, 26–29].

There are several kinds of fractional derivatives, such as Riemann-Liouville fractional derivative (1847), Caputo derivative (1967), Hilfer derivative (2000), Hadamard derivative (1892) and Caputo-Fabrizio (2015), etc. The current statuses of many processes began in the past and rely on their future development, for example, stock price option. Another example is the application to

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the anomalous diffusion problem, where the Riesz derivative indicates nonlocality and is used to represent the dependency of diffusion concentration on path. The majority of the current work on fractional differential equations has been on Riemann-Liouville and Caputo fractional derivatives, which are one-sided fractional operators that solely represent the past or future memory effect. Fortunately, the Riesz derivative is a two-sided fractional operator that includes both left and right derivatives, allowing it to capture both past and future memory effects. This capability is useful for fractional modeling on a finite domain in particular. See [10, 11, 13] for more details.

The authors of [10] studied the existence of solution for the following boundary value problem:

$$\begin{cases} {}_0^{RC}D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha}y(\theta) = g(\theta, y(\theta)), & \theta \in \Theta := [0, \varkappa], \\ y(0) = y_0, & y(\varkappa) = y_{\varkappa}, \end{cases}$$

where  ${}_0^{RC}D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha}$  is a Riesz-Caputo derivative of order  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ ,  $g : \Theta \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  a continuous function and  $y_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ . Their arguments are based on Leray-Schauder fixed point theorem, and Schauder fixed point theorem.

In [20], Li and Wang discussed the following fractional problem:

$$\begin{aligned} {}_0^{RC}D_1^{\gamma}y(t) &= f(t, y(t)), & t \in [0, 1], & \quad 0 < \gamma \leq 1, \\ y(0) &= a, & y(1) &= by(\eta), \end{aligned}$$

where  ${}_0^{RC}D_1^{\gamma}$  is the Riesz Caputo derivative,  $f \in C([0, 1] \times [0, +\infty), [0, +\infty))$ ,  $0 < \eta < 1$ ,  $a > 0$ ,  $0 < b < 2$ . They found the positive solutions by applying the technique of monotone iterative.

Naas *et al.* [23] investigated the existence and uniqueness results of the following fractional differential equation with the Riesz-Caputo derivative:

$$\begin{cases} {}_0^{RC}D_T^{\vartheta}\varkappa(t) + \mathfrak{F}(t, \varkappa(t), {}_0^{RC}D_T^{\varsigma}\varkappa(t)) = 0, & t \in \mathcal{J} := [0, T], \\ \varkappa(0) + \varkappa(T) = 0, & \mu\varkappa'(0) + \sigma\varkappa'(T) = 0, \end{cases}$$

where  $1 < \vartheta \leq 2$  and  $0 < \varsigma \leq 1$ ,  ${}_0^{RC}D_T^{\kappa}$  is the Riesz-Caputo fractional derivative of order  $\kappa \in \{\vartheta, \varsigma\}$ ,  $\mathfrak{F} : \mathcal{J} \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , is a continuous function, and  $\mu, \sigma$  are nonnegative constants with  $\mu > \sigma$ . The existence and uniqueness of solutions for their problem are demonstrated with the Riesz-Caputo derivatives via Banach's, Schaefer's, and Krasnoselskii's fixed point theorems.

While determining the precise solution of differential equations is difficult or impossible in many contexts, such as nonlinear analysis and optimization, we explore approximate solutions. It should be noted that only steady approximations are allowed. For this reason, many techniques to stability analysis are used. Mathematician Ulam originally highlighted the stability problem in functional equations in a 1940 presentation at Wisconsin University. S. M. Ulam introduced

the following challenge: “Under what conditions does an additive mapping exist near an approximately additive mapping ?” [34]. The following year, in [15], Hyers provided an answer to Ulam’s problem for additive functions defined on Banach spaces. In 1978, Rassias [24] demonstrated the existence of unique linear mappings near approximate additive mappings, generalizing Hyers’ findings. Several research articles in the literature address the Ulam stabilities of various types of differential and integral equations, see [19, 21, 31] and the references therein.

Many researchers devoted their research work to the study of various kind of Ulam stabilities for some classes of coupled systems of fractional differential equations. For details, we refer the reader to see [5, 16, 32, 35]. In the papers [8,9,12,30,31], the authors addressed the existence, stability, and uniqueness of solutions for diverse problems with fractional differential equations using various fractional derivatives and different types of conditions.

In [6], Ali *et al.* investigated the following coupled system with impulsive and  $(m + 2)$ -point boundary conditions:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} {}^C_0D_{t_j}^\alpha \xi(t) = \Phi \left( t, \mu(t), {}^C_0D_{t_j}^\alpha \xi(t) \right), \quad t \in [0, 1], t \neq t_j, j = 1, 2, \dots, m, \\ {}^C_0D_{t_i}^\beta \mu(t) = \Psi \left( t, \xi(t), {}^C_0D_{t_i}^\beta \mu(t) \right), \quad t \in [0, 1], t \neq t_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n, \\ \xi(0) = h(\xi), \quad \xi(1) = g(\xi) \quad \text{and} \quad \mu(0) = \kappa(\mu), \quad \mu(1) = f(\mu), \\ \Delta \xi(t_j) = I_j(\xi(t_j)), \quad \Delta \xi'(t_j) = \bar{I}_j(\xi(t_j)), \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, m, \\ \Delta \mu(t_i) = I_i(\mu(t_i)), \quad \Delta \mu'(t_i) = \bar{I}_i(\mu(t_i)), \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n, \end{array} \right.$$

where  $1 < \alpha, \beta \leq 2$ ,  $\Phi, \Psi : [0, 1] \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , and  $g, h; f, \kappa : C(J, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are continuous functions. The authors used the Schaefer fixed point and Banach contraction theorems to obtain conditions for the existence and uniqueness of positive solutions and discussed the Hyers–Ulam stability of the concerned solutions.

Wang *et al.* [35] studied the following implicit coupled system involving Caputo fractional-order derivative:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} {}^cD^p u(t) - \alpha(t, y(t), {}^cD^p u(t)) - \frac{1}{\Gamma(\delta)} \int_0^t (t-s)^{\delta-1} g(s, y(s), {}^cD^p u(s)) ds = 0, \\ {}^cD^q y(t) - \chi(t, u(t), {}^cD^q y(t)) - \frac{1}{\Gamma(\delta)} \int_0^t (t-s)^{\delta-1} f(s, u(s), {}^cD^p y(s)) ds = 0, \\ u(t)|_{t=0} = -u(t)|_{t=T}, \quad {}^cD^r u(t)|_{t=0} = -{}^cD^r u(t)|_{t=T}, \\ y(t)|_{t=0} = -y(t)|_{t=T}, \quad {}^cD^\omega y(t)|_{t=0} = -{}^cD^\omega y(t)|_{t=T}, \end{array} \right.$$

where  $1 < p, q \leq 2, 0 \leq r, \omega \leq 2, \sigma, \delta > 0$  and  $t \in \mathcal{J} = [0, T], T > 0$ . The functions  $\alpha, \chi, g, f : \mathcal{J} \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are continuous. They studied the existence, uniqueness and various kinds of stability such as Ulam-Hyers stability, generalized Ulam-Hyers stability, Ulam-Hyers-Rassias stability, and generalized Ulam-Hyers-Rassias stability.

Motivated by the mentioned works, in this paper, we investigate the existence, uniqueness and Ulam stability of the following implicit coupled system:

$$\begin{cases} {}_0^{\text{RC}}D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_1}x(\theta) &= \varphi_1(\theta, x(\theta), y(\theta), {}_0^{\text{RC}}D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_1}x(\theta), {}_0^{\text{RC}}D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_2}y(\theta)), \\ {}_0^{\text{RC}}D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_2}y(\theta) &= \varphi_2(\theta, x(\theta), y(\theta), {}_0^{\text{RC}}D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_1}x(\theta), {}_0^{\text{RC}}D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_2}y(\theta)), \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

where  $\theta \in \Theta := [0, \varkappa]$ , with the boundary conditions

$$\begin{cases} \beta_1x(0) + \beta_2x(\varkappa) &= \beta_3, \\ \delta_1y(0) + \delta_2y(\varkappa) &= \delta_3, \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

where for  $i = 1, 2$ ,  ${}_0^{\text{RC}}D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_i}$  represent the Riesz-Caputo derivatives of order

$$0 < \alpha_i \leq 1, \quad \delta_1, \delta_2, \delta_3, \beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3 \in \mathbb{R},$$

where

$$\delta_1 + \delta_2 \neq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \beta_1 + \beta_2 \neq 0, \quad \varphi_i : \Theta \times \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

are given functions.

The following is how the current paper is arranged. In Section 2, we present certain notations and review some preliminary information on the Riesz-Caputo fractional derivative and auxiliary results. Section 3 presents, in the first part, two existence and uniqueness results to the system (1)–(2) based on the Banach contraction principle and Schauder’s fixed point theorem are given. The Ulam-Hyers-Rassias Stability for our problem is discussed in the next subsection. Finally, we provide an example to demonstrate the application of our study results.

## 2. Preliminaries

In this section, we introduce some notations, definitions, and preliminary facts which are used throughout this paper.

We denote by  $C(\Theta, \mathbb{R})$  the Banach space of all continuous functions from  $\Theta$  to  $\mathbb{R}$ , with the norm

$$\|\xi\|_{\infty} = \sup\{|\xi(\theta)| : \theta \in \Theta\}.$$

Now, let us consider the Banach space

$$\mathcal{F} := C(\Theta, \mathbb{R}) \times C(\Theta, \mathbb{R}),$$

with the norm

$$\|(x, y)\|_{\mathcal{F}} = \max\{\|x\|_{\infty}, \|y\|_{\infty}\}.$$

**DEFINITION 2.1** ([17]). Let  $\alpha > 0$ . The left and right Riemann-Liouville fractional integrals of a function  $\varphi \in C(\Theta, \mathbb{R})$  of order  $\alpha$  are given respectively by

$${}_0I_\theta^\alpha \varphi(\theta) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^\theta (\theta - \varrho)^{\alpha-1} \varphi(\varrho) d\varrho,$$

and

$${}_\theta I_\varkappa^\alpha \varphi(\theta) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_\theta^\varkappa (\varrho - \theta)^{\alpha-1} \varphi(\varrho) d\varrho.$$

**DEFINITION 2.2** ([17]). Let  $\alpha > 0$ . The Riesz fractional integral of a function  $\varphi \in C(\Theta, \mathbb{R})$  of order  $\alpha$  is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} {}_0I_\varkappa^\alpha \varphi(\theta) &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^\varkappa |\theta - \varrho|^{\alpha-1} \varphi(\varrho) d\varrho \\ &= {}_0I_\theta^\alpha \varphi(\theta) + {}_\theta I_\varkappa^\alpha \varphi(\theta), \end{aligned}$$

where  ${}_0I_\theta^\alpha$  and  ${}_\theta I_\varkappa^\alpha$  are the left and right fractional integrals of Riemann-Liouville.

**DEFINITION 2.3** ([17]). Let  $\alpha \in (n, n + 1]$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . The left and right Caputo fractional derivatives of a function  $\varphi \in C^{n+1}(\Theta, \mathbb{R})$  of order  $\alpha$  are given respectively by

$${}^C_0D_\theta^\alpha \varphi(\theta) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(n + 1 - \alpha)} \int_0^\theta (\theta - \varrho)^{n-\alpha} \varphi^{(n+1)}(\varrho) d\varrho,$$

and

$${}^C_\theta D_\varkappa^\alpha \varphi(\theta) = \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{\Gamma(n + 1 - \alpha)} \int_\theta^\varkappa (\varrho - \theta)^{n-\alpha} \varphi^{(n+1)}(\varrho) d\varrho.$$

**DEFINITION 2.4** ([17]). Let  $\alpha \in (n, n + 1]$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . The Riesz-Caputo fractional derivative of a function  $\varphi \in C^{n+1}(\Theta, \mathbb{R})$  of order  $\alpha$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} {}^{RC}_0D_\varkappa^\alpha \varphi(\theta) &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(n + 1 - \alpha)} \int_0^\varkappa |\theta - \varrho|^{n-\alpha} \varphi^{(n+1)}(\varrho) d\varrho \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left( {}^C_0D_\theta^\alpha \varphi(\theta) + (-1)^{n+1} {}^C_\theta D_\varkappa^\alpha \varphi(\theta) \right), \end{aligned}$$

where  ${}^C_0D_\theta^\alpha$  is the left Caputo derivative and  ${}^C_\theta D_\varkappa^\alpha$  is the right one. If we take  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$  and  $\varphi \in C(\Theta, \mathbb{R})$ , we obtain

$${}^{RC}_0D_\varkappa^\alpha \varphi(\theta) = \frac{1}{2} \left( {}^C_0D_\theta^\alpha \varphi(\theta) - {}^C_\theta D_\varkappa^\alpha \varphi(\theta) \right).$$

**LEMMA 2.5** ([17]). *If  $\xi \in C^{n+1}(\Theta, \mathbb{R})$  and  $\alpha \in (n, n + 1]$ , then we have*

$${}_0I_\theta^\alpha {}^C D_\theta^\alpha \xi(\theta) = \xi(\theta) - \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{\xi^{(k)}(0)}{k!} (\theta - 0)^k,$$

and

$${}_\theta I_\varkappa^\alpha {}^C D_\varkappa^\alpha \xi(\theta) = (-1)^{n+1} \left[ \xi(\theta) - \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(-1)^k \xi^{(k)}(\varkappa)}{k!} (\varkappa - \theta)^k \right].$$

Consequently, we may have

$${}_0I_\varkappa^\alpha {}^{RC} D_\varkappa^\alpha \xi(\theta) = \frac{1}{2} ({}_0I_\theta^\alpha {}^C D_\theta^\alpha \xi(\theta) + (-1)^{n+1} {}_\theta I_\varkappa^\alpha {}^C D_\varkappa^\alpha \xi(\theta)).$$

In particular, if  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ , then we obtain

$${}_0I_\varkappa^\alpha {}^{RC} D_\varkappa^\alpha \xi(\theta) = \xi(\theta) - \frac{1}{2} (\xi(0) + \xi(\varkappa)).$$

### 2.1. Some Fixed Point Theorems

**THEOREM 2.6** (Banach’s fixed point theorem [33]). *Let  $E$  be a Banach space and  $\mathcal{H} : E \rightarrow E$  a contraction, i.e. there exists  $k \in [0, 1)$  such that*

$$\|\mathcal{H}(\xi_1) - \mathcal{H}(\xi_2)\| \leq k \|\xi_1 - \xi_2\|, \quad \text{for all } \xi_1, \xi_2 \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Then  $\mathcal{H}$  has a unique fixed point.

**THEOREM 2.7** (Schauder’s fixed point theorem [33]). *Let  $E$  be a Banach space,  $D$  a bounded, closed, convex subset of  $E$ , and  $\mathcal{H} : D \rightarrow D$  a compact and continuous map. Then  $\mathcal{H}$  has at least one fixed point in  $D$ .*

## 3. Main Results

### 3.1. Existence and Uniqueness Results

Firstly, we provide the following result in order to convert our system (1)–(2) into a coupled system of fractional integral equations.

**THEOREM 3.1.** *Let  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ , and let  $\varpi : \Theta \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous function. The boundary value problem*

$${}_0^{RC} D_\varkappa^\alpha y(\theta) = \varpi(\theta), \quad \theta \in \Theta, \tag{3}$$

$$\delta_1 y(0) + \delta_2 y(\varkappa) = \delta_3, \tag{4}$$

has a unique solution given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 y(\theta) &= \frac{\delta_3}{\delta_1 + \delta_2} - \frac{\delta_1}{(\delta_1 + \delta_2)\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{\varkappa} \varrho^{\alpha-1} \varpi(\varrho) d\varrho \\
 &\quad - \frac{\delta_2}{(\delta_1 + \delta_2)\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\varkappa - \varrho|^{\alpha-1} \varpi(\varrho) d\varrho \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\theta - \varrho|^{\alpha-1} \varpi(\varrho) d\varrho,
 \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

where  $\delta_1, \delta_2, \delta_3 \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\delta_1 + \delta_2 \neq 0$ .

Proof. From Definition 2.2, Definition 2.4, and Lemma 2.5, we have

$${}_0I_{\varkappa}^{\alpha} {}^{RC}D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha} y(\theta) = y(\theta) - \frac{1}{2}(y(0) + y(\varkappa)),$$

which implies that

$$\begin{aligned}
 y(\theta) &= \frac{1}{2}(y(0) + y(\varkappa)) + {}_0I_{\varkappa}^{\alpha} \varpi(\theta), \\
 &= \frac{1}{2}(y(0) + y(\varkappa)) + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\theta - \varrho|^{\alpha-1} \varpi(\varrho) d\varrho \\
 &= \frac{1}{2}(y(0) + y(\varkappa)) + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{\theta} (\theta - \varrho)^{\alpha-1} \varpi(\varrho) d\varrho \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{\theta}^{\varkappa} (\varrho - \theta)^{\alpha-1} \varpi(\varrho) d\varrho.
 \end{aligned}$$

For  $\theta = 0$ , we have

$$y(\varkappa) = y(0) - \frac{2}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{\varkappa} \varrho^{\alpha-1} \varpi(\varrho) d\varrho.$$

Then,

$$y(\theta) = y(0) - \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{\varkappa} \varrho^{\alpha-1} \varpi(\varrho) d\varrho + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\theta - \varrho|^{\alpha-1} \varpi(\varrho) d\varrho. \tag{6}$$

For  $\theta = \varkappa$ , we have

$$y(\varkappa) = y(0) - \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{\varkappa} \varrho^{\alpha-1} \varpi(\varrho) d\varrho + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\varkappa - \varrho|^{\alpha-1} \varpi(\varrho) d\varrho.$$

By using the condition (4), we obtain

$$\delta_3 - \delta_1 y(0) = \delta_2 y(0) - \frac{\delta_2}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{\varkappa} \varrho^{\alpha-1} \varpi(\varrho) d\varrho + \frac{\delta_2}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\varkappa - \varrho|^{\alpha-1} \varpi(\varrho) d\varrho,$$

which implies

$$\begin{aligned} y(0) &= \frac{\delta_3}{\delta_1 + \delta_2} + \frac{\delta_2}{(\delta_1 + \delta_2)\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{\varkappa} \varrho^{\alpha-1} \varpi(\varrho) d\varrho \\ &\quad - \frac{\delta_2}{(\delta_1 + \delta_2)\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\varkappa - \varrho|^{\alpha-1} \varpi(\varrho) d\varrho. \end{aligned}$$

Then, replacing the value of  $y(0)$  in (6), we obtain (5).

Reciprocally, taking  $\theta = 0$  in (5), we get

$$\begin{aligned} y(0) &= \frac{\delta_3}{\delta_1 + \delta_2} + \frac{\delta_2}{(\delta_1 + \delta_2)\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{\varkappa} \varrho^{\alpha-1} \varpi(\varrho) d\varrho \\ &\quad - \frac{\delta_2}{(\delta_1 + \delta_2)\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\varkappa - \varrho|^{\alpha-1} \varpi(\varrho) d\varrho, \end{aligned}$$

and taking  $\theta = \varkappa$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} y(\theta) &= \frac{\delta_3}{\delta_1 + \delta_2} - \frac{\delta_1}{(\delta_1 + \delta_2)\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{\varkappa} \varrho^{\alpha-1} \varpi(\varrho) d\varrho \\ &\quad + \frac{\delta_1}{(\delta_1 + \delta_2)\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\varkappa - \varrho|^{\alpha-1} \varpi(\varrho) d\varrho. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we can obtain  $\delta_1 y(0) + \delta_2 y(\varkappa) = \delta_3$ , which implies that (2) is verified. Also, we can easily show by Lemma 2.5 that if  $y$  verifies equation (5), then it satisfies the equation (3).  $\square$

As a consequence of Theorem 3.1, we have the following result.

**LEMMA 3.2.** *Let  $i = 1, 2$ ,  $0 < \alpha_i \leq 1$ ,  $\delta_1, \delta_2, \delta_3, \beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3 \in \mathbb{R}$ , where  $\delta_1 + \delta_2 \neq 0$  and  $\beta_1 + \beta_2 \neq 0$ ,  $\varphi_i : \Theta \times \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be continuous functions. Then  $(x, y) \in \mathcal{F}$  satisfies the coupled system (1)–(2) if and only if  $(x, y)$  is the fixed point of the operator  $\aleph : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$  defined by:*

$$\aleph(x, y)(\theta) = (\aleph_1(x, y)(\theta), \aleph_2(x, y)(\theta)), \quad \theta \in \Theta, \tag{7}$$



where  $\aleph_1$  and  $\aleph_2$  are the operators defined for  $\theta \in \Theta$ , as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \aleph_1(x, y)(\theta) &= \frac{\beta_3}{\beta_1 + \beta_2} - \frac{\beta_1}{(\beta_1 + \beta_2)\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_0^{\varkappa} \varrho^{\alpha_1-1} \varpi_1(\varrho) d\varrho \\ &\quad - \frac{\beta_2}{(\beta_1 + \beta_2)\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\varkappa - \varrho|^{\alpha_1-1} \varpi_1(\varrho) d\varrho \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\theta - \varrho|^{\alpha_1-1} \varpi_1(\varrho) d\varrho, \end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \aleph_2(x, y)(\theta) &= \frac{\delta_3}{\delta_1 + \delta_2} - \frac{\delta_1}{(\delta_1 + \delta_2)\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^{\varkappa} \varrho^{\alpha_2-1} \varpi_2(\varrho) d\varrho \\ &\quad - \frac{\delta_2}{(\delta_1 + \delta_2)\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\varkappa - \varrho|^{\alpha_2-1} \varpi_2(\varrho) d\varrho \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\theta - \varrho|^{\alpha_2-1} \varpi_2(\varrho) d\varrho, \end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

where for  $i = 1, 2$ ,  $\varpi_i \in C(\Theta, \mathbb{R})$  satisfy the following system of functional equations:

$$\begin{cases} \varpi_1(\theta) = \varphi_1(\theta, x(\theta), y(\theta), \varpi_1(\theta), \varpi_2(\theta)), \\ \varpi_2(\theta) = \varphi_2(\theta, x(\theta), y(\theta), \varpi_1(\theta), \varpi_2(\theta)). \end{cases}$$

We are now in a position to prove the existence result of the problem (1)–(2) based on the Banach’s contraction principle.

Let us assume the following assumptions:

(Ax1) The functions  $\varphi_i : \Theta \times \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}; i = 1, 2$ , are continuous.

(Ax2) There exist constants  $\psi_j, \bar{\psi}_j; j = 1, \dots, 4$ , such that

$$\psi_j, \bar{\psi}_j > 0, \quad 0 < \psi_3 < 1, \quad 0 < \bar{\psi}_4 < 1$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} &|\varphi_1(\theta, x_1, y_1, w_1, z_1) - \varphi_1(\theta, x_2, y_2, w_2, z_2)| \\ &\leq \psi_1|x_1 - x_2| + \psi_2|y_1 - y_2| + \psi_3|w_1 - w_2| + \psi_4|z_1 - z_2|, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} &|\varphi_2(\theta, x_1, y_1, w_1, z_1) - \varphi_2(\theta, x_2, y_2, w_2, z_2)| \\ &\leq \bar{\psi}_1|x_1 - x_2| + \bar{\psi}_2|y_1 - y_2| + \bar{\psi}_3|w_1 - w_2| + \bar{\psi}_4|z_1 - z_2|, \end{aligned}$$

for any  $x_i, y_i, w_i, z_i \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\theta \in \Theta$ , where  $i = 1, 2$ .

Set

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}_1 &= \frac{(|\beta_1| + |\beta_2| + |\beta_1 + \beta_2|)\varkappa^{\alpha_1}}{|\beta_1 + \beta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)} \left[ \frac{\psi_4\bar{\psi}_1 + \psi_1(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4\bar{\psi}_3} \right], \\ \mathcal{A}_2 &= \frac{(|\beta_1| + |\beta_2| + |\beta_1 + \beta_2|)\varkappa^{\alpha_1}}{|\beta_1 + \beta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)} \left[ \frac{\psi_4\bar{\psi}_2 + \psi_2(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4\bar{\psi}_3} \right], \\ \mathcal{B}_1 &= \frac{(|\delta_1| + |\delta_2| + |\delta_1 + \delta_2|)\varkappa^{\alpha_2}}{|\delta_1 + \delta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_2 + 1)} \left[ \frac{\psi_1\bar{\psi}_3 + \bar{\psi}_1(1 - \psi_3)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4\bar{\psi}_3} \right], \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\mathcal{B}_2 = \frac{(|\delta_1| + |\delta_2| + |\delta_1 + \delta_2|)\varkappa^{\alpha_2}}{|\delta_1 + \delta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_2 + 1)} \left[ \frac{\psi_2\bar{\psi}_3 + \bar{\psi}_2(1 - \psi_3)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4\bar{\psi}_3} \right].$$

**THEOREM 3.3.** *Assume that the assumptions (Ax1)–(Ax2) hold. If*

$$\Upsilon := \max\{\mathcal{A}_1, \mathcal{B}_1\} + \max\{\mathcal{A}_2, \mathcal{B}_2\} + \frac{\psi_4\bar{\psi}_3}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3)} < 1, \quad (10)$$

*then the implicit fractional coupled system (1)–(2) has a unique solution in  $\mathcal{F}$ .*

*Proof.* Let us demonstrate that the operator  $\aleph$  defined in (7) has a unique fixed point on  $\mathcal{F}$ . Let  $(x, y), (\bar{x}, \bar{y}) \in \mathcal{F}$  and  $\theta \in \Theta$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\aleph_1(x, y)(\theta) - \aleph_1(\bar{x}, \bar{y})(\theta)| &\leq \frac{|\beta_1|}{|\beta_1 + \beta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_0^\varkappa \varrho^{\alpha_1-1} |\varpi_1(\varrho) - \bar{\varpi}_1(\varrho)| d\varrho \\ &\quad + \frac{|\beta_2|}{|\beta_1 + \beta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_0^\varkappa |\varkappa - \varrho|^{\alpha_1-1} |\varpi_1(\varrho) - \bar{\varpi}_1(\varrho)| d\varrho \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_0^\varkappa |\theta - \varrho|^{\alpha_1-1} |\varpi_1(\varrho) - \bar{\varpi}_1(\varrho)| d\varrho, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} |\aleph_2(x, y)(\theta) - \aleph_2(\bar{x}, \bar{y})(\theta)| &\leq \frac{|\delta_1|}{|\delta_1 + \delta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^\varkappa \varrho^{\alpha_2-1} |\varpi_2(\varrho) - \bar{\varpi}_2(\varrho)| d\varrho \\ &\quad + \frac{|\delta_2|}{|\delta_1 + \delta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^\varkappa |\varkappa - \varrho|^{\alpha_2-1} |\varpi_2(\varrho) - \bar{\varpi}_2(\varrho)| d\varrho \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^\varkappa |\theta - \varrho|^{\alpha_2-1} |\varpi_2(\varrho) - \bar{\varpi}_2(\varrho)| d\varrho, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{cases} \varpi_1(\theta) = \varphi_1(\theta, x(\theta), y(\theta), \varpi_1(\theta), \varpi_2(\theta)), \\ \varpi_2(\theta) = \varphi_2(\theta, x(\theta), y(\theta), \varpi_1(\theta), \varpi_2(\theta)), \end{cases}$$

and

$$\begin{cases} \bar{\varpi}_1(\theta) = \varphi_1(\theta, \bar{x}(\theta), \bar{y}(\theta), \bar{\varpi}_1(\theta), \bar{\varpi}_2(\theta)), \\ \bar{\varpi}_2(\theta) = \varphi_2(\theta, \bar{x}(\theta), \bar{y}(\theta), \bar{\varpi}_1(\theta), \bar{\varpi}_2(\theta)). \end{cases}$$

Then, by (Ax2) we find that

$$\begin{aligned} & |\varpi_1(\theta) - \bar{\varpi}_1(\theta)| \\ &= |\varphi_1(\theta, x(\theta), y(\theta), \varpi_1(\theta), \varpi_2(\theta)) - \varphi_1(\theta, \bar{x}(\theta), \bar{y}(\theta), \bar{\varpi}_1(\theta), \bar{\varpi}_2(\theta))| \\ &\leq \psi_1|x(\theta) - \bar{x}(\theta)| + \psi_2|y(\theta) - \bar{y}(\theta)| + \psi_3|\varpi_1(\theta) - \bar{\varpi}_1(\theta)| \\ &\quad + \psi_4|\varpi_2(\theta) - \bar{\varpi}_2(\theta)|, \end{aligned}$$

which implies

$$\begin{aligned} |\varpi_1(\theta) - \bar{\varpi}_1(\theta)| &\leq \frac{\psi_1}{1 - \psi_3}|x(\theta) - \bar{x}(\theta)| + \frac{\psi_2}{1 - \psi_3}|y(\theta) - \bar{y}(\theta)| \\ &\quad + \frac{\psi_4}{1 - \psi_3}|\varpi_2(\theta) - \bar{\varpi}_2(\theta)|. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, one can find that

$$\begin{aligned} |\varpi_2(\theta) - \bar{\varpi}_2(\theta)| &\leq \frac{\bar{\psi}_1}{1 - \bar{\psi}_4}|x(\theta) - \bar{x}(\theta)| + \frac{\bar{\psi}_2}{1 - \bar{\psi}_4}|y(\theta) - \bar{y}(\theta)| \\ &\quad + \frac{\bar{\psi}_3}{1 - \bar{\psi}_4}|\varpi_1(\theta) - \bar{\varpi}_1(\theta)|. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} |\varpi_1(\theta) - \bar{\varpi}_1(\theta)| &\leq \frac{\psi_1}{1 - \psi_3}|x(\theta) - \bar{x}(\theta)| + \frac{\psi_2}{1 - \psi_3}|y(\theta) - \bar{y}(\theta)| \\ &\quad + \frac{\psi_4\bar{\psi}_1}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3)}|x(\theta) - \bar{x}(\theta)| \\ &\quad + \frac{\psi_4\bar{\psi}_2}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3)}|y(\theta) - \bar{y}(\theta)| \\ &\quad + \frac{\psi_4\bar{\psi}_3}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3)}|\varpi_1(\theta) - \bar{\varpi}_1(\theta)|, \end{aligned}$$

which implies that

$$\begin{aligned} |\varpi_1(\theta) - \bar{\varpi}_1(\theta)| &\leq \frac{\psi_4\bar{\psi}_1 + \psi_1(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4\bar{\psi}_3} \|x - \bar{x}\|_\infty \\ &\quad + \frac{\psi_4\bar{\psi}_2 + \psi_2(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4\bar{\psi}_3} \|y - \bar{y}\|_\infty. \end{aligned}$$

By following the same approach, we can also obtain the following:

$$\begin{aligned} |\varpi_2(\theta) - \bar{\varpi}_2(\theta)| &\leq \frac{\psi_1\bar{\psi}_3 + \bar{\psi}_1(1 - \psi_3)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3)} |x(\theta) - \bar{x}(\theta)| \\ &\quad + \frac{\psi_2\bar{\psi}_3 + \bar{\psi}_2(1 - \psi_3)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3)} |y(\theta) - \bar{y}(\theta)| \\ &\quad + \frac{\psi_4\bar{\psi}_3}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3)} |\varpi_2(\theta) - \bar{\varpi}_2(\theta)|, \end{aligned}$$

which implies that

$$\begin{aligned} |\varpi_2(\theta) - \bar{\varpi}_2(\theta)| &\leq \frac{\psi_1\bar{\psi}_3 + \bar{\psi}_1(1 - \psi_3)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4\bar{\psi}_3} \|x - \bar{x}\|_\infty \\ &\quad + \frac{\psi_2\bar{\psi}_3 + \bar{\psi}_2(1 - \psi_3)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4\bar{\psi}_3} \|y - \bar{y}\|_\infty. \end{aligned}$$

As a consequence, we get

$$\begin{aligned} &|\aleph_1(x, y)(\theta) - \aleph_1(\bar{x}, \bar{y})(\theta)| \\ &\leq \frac{|\beta_1|}{|\beta_1 + \beta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \left[ \frac{\psi_4\bar{\psi}_1 + \psi_1(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4\bar{\psi}_3} \|x - \bar{x}\|_\infty \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{\psi_4\bar{\psi}_2 + \psi_2(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4\bar{\psi}_3} \|y - \bar{y}\|_\infty \right] \int_0^\infty \varrho^{\alpha_1-1} d\varrho \\ &\quad + \frac{|\beta_2|}{|\beta_1 + \beta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \left[ \frac{\psi_4\bar{\psi}_1 + \psi_1(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4\bar{\psi}_3} \|x - \bar{x}\|_\infty \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{\psi_4\bar{\psi}_2 + \psi_2(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4\bar{\psi}_3} \|y - \bar{y}\|_\infty \right] \int_0^\infty |\varkappa - \varrho|^{\alpha_1-1} d\varrho \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \left[ \frac{\psi_4\bar{\psi}_1 + \psi_1(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4\bar{\psi}_3} \|x - \bar{x}\|_\infty \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{\psi_4\bar{\psi}_2 + \psi_2(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4\bar{\psi}_3} \|y - \bar{y}\|_\infty \right] \int_0^\infty |\theta - \varrho|^{\alpha_1-1} d\varrho, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 & |\aleph_2(x, y)(\theta) - \aleph_2(\bar{x}, \bar{y})(\theta)| \\
 & \leq \frac{|\delta_1|}{|\delta_1 + \delta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \left[ \frac{\psi_1\bar{\psi}_3 + \bar{\psi}_1(1 - \psi_3)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4\bar{\psi}_3} \|x - \bar{x}\|_\infty \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + \frac{\psi_2\bar{\psi}_3 + \bar{\psi}_2(1 - \psi_3)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4\bar{\psi}_3} \|y - \bar{y}\|_\infty \right] \int_0^\varkappa \varrho^{\alpha_2-1} d\varrho \\
 & \quad + \frac{|\delta_2|}{|\delta_1 + \delta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \left[ \frac{\psi_1\bar{\psi}_3 + \bar{\psi}_1(1 - \psi_3)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4\bar{\psi}_3} \|x - \bar{x}\|_\infty \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + \frac{\psi_2\bar{\psi}_3 + \bar{\psi}_2(1 - \psi_3)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4\bar{\psi}_3} \|y - \bar{y}\|_\infty \right] \int_0^\varkappa |\varkappa - \varrho|^{\alpha_2-1} d\varrho \\
 & \quad + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \left[ \frac{\psi_1\bar{\psi}_3 + \bar{\psi}_1(1 - \psi_3)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4\bar{\psi}_3} \|x - \bar{x}\|_\infty \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + \frac{\psi_2\bar{\psi}_3 + \bar{\psi}_2(1 - \psi_3)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4\bar{\psi}_3} \|y - \bar{y}\|_\infty \right] \int_0^\varkappa |\theta - \varrho|^{\alpha_2-1} d\varrho.
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \|\aleph_1(x, y) - \aleph_1(\bar{x}, \bar{y})\|_\infty \\
 & \leq \frac{(|\beta_1| + |\beta_2| + |\beta_1 + \beta_2|)\varkappa^{\alpha_1}}{|\beta_1 + \beta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)} \left[ \frac{\psi_4\bar{\psi}_1 + \psi_1(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4\bar{\psi}_3} \|x - \bar{x}\|_\infty \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + \frac{\psi_4\bar{\psi}_2 + \psi_2(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4\bar{\psi}_3} \|y - \bar{y}\|_\infty \right] \\
 & \leq \mathcal{A}_1 \|x - \bar{x}\|_\infty + \mathcal{A}_2 \|y - \bar{y}\|_\infty,
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \|\aleph_2(x, y) - \aleph_2(\bar{x}, \bar{y})\|_\infty \\
 & \leq \frac{(|\delta_1| + |\delta_2| + |\delta_1 + \delta_2|)\varkappa^{\alpha_2}}{|\delta_1 + \delta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_2 + 1)} \left[ \frac{\psi_1\bar{\psi}_3 + \bar{\psi}_1(1 - \psi_3)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4\bar{\psi}_3} \|x - \bar{x}\|_\infty \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + \frac{\psi_2\bar{\psi}_3 + \bar{\psi}_2(1 - \psi_3)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4\bar{\psi}_3} \|y - \bar{y}\|_\infty \right] \\
 & \leq \mathcal{B}_1 \|x - \bar{x}\|_\infty + \mathcal{B}_2 \|y - \bar{y}\|_\infty.
 \end{aligned}$$

We can deduce now that

$$\begin{aligned} \|\aleph(x, y) - \aleph(\bar{x}, \bar{y})\|_{\mathcal{F}} &= \max \{ \|\aleph_1(x, y) - \aleph_1(\bar{x}, \bar{y})\|_{\infty}, \|\aleph_2(x, y) - \aleph_2(\bar{x}, \bar{y})\|_{\infty} \} \\ &\leq (\max\{\mathcal{A}_1, \mathcal{B}_1\} + \max\{\mathcal{A}_2, \mathcal{B}_2\}) \|(x, y) - (\bar{x}, \bar{y})\|_{\mathcal{F}} \\ &\leq \Upsilon \|(x, y) - (\bar{x}, \bar{y})\|_{\mathcal{F}}. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, by the Banach's contraction principle, the operator  $\aleph$  has a unique fixed point which is solution of the problem (1)–(2).  $\square$

**Remark 1.** Let us put

$$\psi_j = \wp_j, \quad \bar{\psi}_j = \bar{\wp}_j, \quad \text{for } j = 1, \dots, 4,$$

and

$$\wp_5(\theta) = |\varphi_1(\theta, 0, 0, 0, 0)|, \quad \bar{\wp}_5(\theta) = |\varphi_2(\theta, 0, 0, 0, 0)|,$$

then the hypothesis (Ax2) implies that

$$|\varphi_1(\theta, x, y, w, z)| \leq \wp_1|x| + \wp_2|y| + \wp_3|w| + \wp_4|z| + \wp_5(\theta),$$

and

$$|\varphi_2(\theta, x, y, w, z)| \leq \bar{\wp}_1|x| + \bar{\wp}_2|y| + \bar{\wp}_3|w| + \bar{\wp}_4|z| + \bar{\wp}_5(\theta),$$

for any  $x, y, w, z \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\theta \in \Theta$  and  $\wp_5, \bar{\wp}_5 \in C(\Theta, \mathbb{R}_+)$ , with

$$\wp_5^* = \sup_{\theta \in \Theta} \wp_5(\theta) \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{\wp}_5^* = \sup_{\theta \in \Theta} \bar{\wp}_5(\theta).$$

**THEOREM 3.4.** *Assume that the hypotheses (Ax1)–(Ax2) hold. Then the implicit fractional problem (1)–(2) has at least one solution.*

*Proof.* This proof is based on the fixed point theorem of Schauder. We establish the proof in several steps.

**STEP 1** (The operator  $\aleph$  is continuous). Let  $\{(x_n, y_n)\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be a sequence such that  $(x_n, y_n) \rightarrow (x, y)$  in  $\mathcal{F}$ . Then for each  $\theta \in \Theta$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} &|\aleph_1(x_n, y_n)(\theta) - \aleph_1(x, y)(\theta)| \\ &\leq \frac{|\beta_1|}{|\beta_1 + \beta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_0^{\varkappa} \varrho^{\alpha_1-1} |\varpi_{1,n}(\varrho) - \varpi_1(\varrho)| d\varrho \\ &\quad + \frac{|\beta_2|}{|\beta_1 + \beta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\varkappa - \varrho|^{\alpha_1-1} |\varpi_{1,n}(\varrho) - \varpi_1(\varrho)| d\varrho \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\theta - \varrho|^{\alpha_1-1} |\varpi_{1,n}(\varrho) - \varpi_1(\varrho)| d\varrho, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & |\aleph_2(x_n, y_n)(\theta) - \aleph_2(x, y)(\theta)| \\ & \leq \frac{|\delta_1|}{|\delta_1 + \delta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^{\varkappa} \varrho^{\alpha_2-1} |\varpi_{2,n}(\varrho) - \varpi_2(\varrho)| d\varrho \\ & \quad + \frac{|\delta_2|}{|\delta_1 + \delta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\varkappa - \varrho|^{\alpha_2-1} |\varpi_{2,n}(\varrho) - \varpi_2(\varrho)| d\varrho \\ & \quad + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\theta - \varrho|^{\alpha_2-1} |\varpi_{2,n}(\varrho) - \varpi_2(\varrho)| d\varrho, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{cases} \varpi_1(\theta) = \varphi_1(\theta, x(\theta), y(\theta), \varpi_1(\theta), \varpi_2(\theta)), \\ \varpi_2(\theta) = \varphi_2(\theta, x(\theta), y(\theta), \varpi_1(\theta), \varpi_2(\theta)), \end{cases}$$

and

$$\begin{cases} \varpi_{1,n}(\theta) = \varphi_1(\theta, x_n(\theta), y_n(\theta), \varpi_{1,n}(\theta), \varpi_{2,n}(\theta)), \\ \varpi_{2,n}(\theta) = \varphi_2(\theta, x_n(\theta), y_n(\theta), \varpi_{1,n}(\theta), \varpi_{2,n}(\theta)). \end{cases}$$

By (Ax2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\varpi_{1,n}(\theta) - \varpi_1(\theta)| & \leq \frac{\psi_4\bar{\psi}_1 + \psi_1(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4\bar{\psi}_3} \|x_n - x\|_{\infty} \\ & \quad + \frac{\psi_4\bar{\psi}_2 + \psi_2(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4\bar{\psi}_3} \|y_n - y\|_{\infty}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} |\varpi_{2,n}(\theta) - \varpi_2(\theta)| & \leq \frac{\psi_1\bar{\psi}_3 + \bar{\psi}_1(1 - \psi_3)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4\bar{\psi}_3} \|x_n - x\|_{\infty} \\ & \quad + \frac{\psi_2\bar{\psi}_3 + \bar{\psi}_2(1 - \psi_3)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4\bar{\psi}_3} \|y_n - y\|_{\infty}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $(x_n, y_n) \rightarrow (x, y)$ , then

$$\varpi_{1,n}(\theta) \rightarrow \varpi_1(\theta)$$

and

$$\varpi_{2,n}(\theta) \rightarrow \varpi_2(\theta),$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  for each  $\theta \in \Theta$ , and since  $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$  are continuous, then we have

$$|\aleph_1(x_n, y_n)(\theta) - \aleph_1(x, y)(\theta)| \rightarrow 0$$

and

$$|\aleph_2(x_n, y_n)(\theta) - \aleph_2(x, y)(\theta)| \rightarrow 0,$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

By applying the Lebesgue dominated convergence theorem, we get

$$|\aleph(x_n, y_n)(\theta) - \aleph(x, y)(\theta)| \longrightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \longrightarrow \infty,$$

hence

$$\|\aleph(x_n, y_n) - \aleph(x, y)\|_{\mathcal{F}} \longrightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \longrightarrow \infty,$$

which implies that  $\aleph$  is continuous.

Define the ball  $D_R = \{(x, y) \in \mathcal{F} : \|(x, y)\|_{\mathcal{F}} \leq R\}$ , where

$$R \geq \frac{\lambda_3}{1 - \lambda_1 - \lambda_2},$$

where

$$\lambda_1 = \max \{\mathcal{L}_1, \mathcal{L}_2\}, \quad \lambda_2 = \max \{\mathcal{L}_3, \mathcal{L}_4\} \quad \text{and} \quad \lambda_3 = \max \{\mathcal{L}_5, \mathcal{L}_6\},$$

such that

$$\mathcal{L}_1 = \left[ \frac{(|\beta_1| + |\beta_2| + |\beta_1 + \beta_2|)\varkappa^{\alpha_1}}{|\beta_1 + \beta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)} \right] \left[ \frac{\wp_1(1 - \bar{\wp}_4) + \bar{\wp}_1\wp_4}{(1 - \wp_3)(1 - \bar{\wp}_4) - \bar{\wp}_3\wp_4} \right],$$

$$\mathcal{L}_2 = \left[ \frac{(|\delta_1| + |\delta_2| + |\delta_1 + \delta_2|)\varkappa^{\alpha_2}}{|\delta_1 + \delta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_2 + 1)} \right] \left[ \frac{\bar{\wp}_1(1 - \wp_3) + \wp_1\bar{\wp}_3}{(1 - \wp_3)(1 - \bar{\wp}_4) - \bar{\wp}_3\wp_4} \right],$$

$$\mathcal{L}_3 = \left[ \frac{(|\beta_1| + |\beta_2| + |\beta_1 + \beta_2|)\varkappa^{\alpha_1}}{|\beta_1 + \beta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)} \right] \left[ \frac{\wp_2(1 - \bar{\wp}_4) + \bar{\wp}_2\wp_4}{(1 - \wp_3)(1 - \bar{\wp}_4) - \bar{\wp}_3\wp_4} \right],$$

$$\mathcal{L}_4 = \left[ \frac{(|\delta_1| + |\delta_2| + |\delta_1 + \delta_2|)\varkappa^{\alpha_2}}{|\delta_1 + \delta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_2 + 1)} \right] \left[ \frac{\bar{\wp}_2(1 - \wp_3) + \wp_2\bar{\wp}_3}{(1 - \wp_3)(1 - \bar{\wp}_4) - \bar{\wp}_3\wp_4} \right],$$

$$\mathcal{L}_5 = \left[ \frac{(|\beta_1| + |\beta_2| + |\beta_1 + \beta_2|)\varkappa^{\alpha_1}}{|\beta_1 + \beta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)} \right] \left[ \frac{\wp_5^*(1 - \bar{\wp}_4) + \bar{\wp}_5^*\wp_4}{(1 - \wp_3)(1 - \bar{\wp}_4) - \bar{\wp}_3\wp_4} \right] + \frac{|\beta_3|}{|\beta_1 + \beta_2|},$$

and

$$\mathcal{L}_6 = \left[ \frac{(|\delta_1| + |\delta_2| + |\delta_1 + \delta_2|)\varkappa^{\alpha_2}}{|\delta_1 + \delta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_2 + 1)} \right] \left[ \frac{\bar{\wp}_5^*(1 - \wp_3) + \wp_5^*\bar{\wp}_3}{(1 - \wp_3)(1 - \bar{\wp}_4) - \bar{\wp}_3\wp_4} \right] + \frac{|\delta_3|}{|\delta_1 + \delta_2|}.$$

It is clear that  $D_R$  is a bounded, closed and convex subset of  $\mathcal{F}$ .

**STEP 2** ( $\aleph(D_R) \subset D_R$ ). Let  $(x, y) \in D_R$  and  $\theta \in \Theta$ , then (8) and (9) imply that

$$\begin{aligned} |\aleph_1(x, y)(\theta)| &\leq \frac{|\beta_3|}{|\beta_1 + \beta_2|} + \frac{|\beta_1|}{|\beta_1 + \beta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_0^{\varkappa} \varrho^{\alpha_1-1} |\varpi_1(\varrho)| d\varrho \\ &\quad + \frac{|\beta_2|}{|\beta_1 + \beta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\varkappa - \varrho|^{\alpha_1-1} |\varpi_1(\varrho)| d\varrho \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\theta - \varrho|^{\alpha_1-1} |\varpi_1(\varrho)| d\varrho, \end{aligned}$$



and

$$\begin{aligned} |\aleph_2(x, y)(\theta)| &\leq \frac{|\delta_3|}{|\delta_1 + \delta_2|} + \frac{|\delta_1|}{|\delta_1 + \delta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^{\varkappa} \varrho^{\alpha_2-1} |\varpi_2(\varrho)| d\varrho \\ &\quad + \frac{|\delta_2|}{|\delta_1 + \delta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\varkappa - \varrho|^{\alpha_2-1} |\varpi_2(\varrho)| d\varrho \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\theta - \varrho|^{\alpha_2-1} |\varpi_2(\varrho)| d\varrho. \end{aligned}$$

By Remark 1, we have

$$|\varpi_1(\theta)| \leq \wp_1|x(\theta)| + \wp_2|y(\theta)| + \wp_3|\varpi_1(\theta)| + \wp_4|\varpi_2(\theta)| + \wp_5(\theta),$$

which implies that

$$|\varpi_1(\theta)| \leq \frac{\wp_1}{1 - \wp_3}|x(\theta)| + \frac{\wp_2}{1 - \wp_3}|y(\theta)| + \frac{\wp_4}{1 - \wp_3}|\varpi_2(\theta)| + \frac{\wp_5^*}{1 - \wp_3}.$$

Similarly, one can find that

$$|\varpi_2(\theta)| \leq \frac{\bar{\wp}_1}{1 - \bar{\wp}_4}|x(\theta)| + \frac{\bar{\wp}_2}{1 - \bar{\wp}_4}|y(\theta)| + \frac{\bar{\wp}_3}{1 - \bar{\wp}_4}|\varpi_1(\theta)| + \frac{\bar{\wp}_5^*}{1 - \bar{\wp}_4}.$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} |\varpi_1(\theta)| &\leq \frac{\wp_1(1 - \bar{\wp}_4) + \bar{\wp}_1\wp_4}{(1 - \wp_3)(1 - \bar{\wp}_4) - \bar{\wp}_3\wp_4} \|x\|_\infty + \frac{\wp_2(1 - \bar{\wp}_4) + \bar{\wp}_2\wp_4}{(1 - \wp_3)(1 - \bar{\wp}_4) - \bar{\wp}_3\wp_4} \|y\|_\infty \\ &\quad + \frac{\wp_5^*(1 - \bar{\wp}_4) + \bar{\wp}_5^*\wp_4}{(1 - \wp_3)(1 - \bar{\wp}_4) - \bar{\wp}_3\wp_4}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} |\varpi_2(\theta)| &\leq \frac{\bar{\wp}_1(1 - \wp_3) + \wp_1\bar{\wp}_3}{(1 - \wp_3)(1 - \bar{\wp}_4) - \bar{\wp}_3\wp_4} \|x\|_\infty + \frac{\bar{\wp}_2(1 - \wp_3) + \wp_2\bar{\wp}_3}{(1 - \wp_3)(1 - \bar{\wp}_4) - \bar{\wp}_3\wp_4} \|y\|_\infty \\ &\quad + \frac{\bar{\wp}_5^*(1 - \wp_3) + \wp_5^*\bar{\wp}_3}{(1 - \wp_3)(1 - \bar{\wp}_4) - \bar{\wp}_3\wp_4}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, for each  $\theta \in \Theta$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\aleph_1(x, y)(\theta)| &\leq \frac{|\beta_3|}{|\beta_1 + \beta_2|} + \left[ \frac{|\beta_1|}{|\beta_1 + \beta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_0^{\varkappa} \varrho^{\alpha_1-1} d\varrho \right. \\ &\quad + \frac{|\beta_2|}{|\beta_1 + \beta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\varkappa - \varrho|^{\alpha_1-1} d\varrho \\ &\quad + \left. \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\theta - \varrho|^{\alpha_1-1} d\varrho \right] \left[ \frac{\wp_1(1 - \bar{\wp}_4) + \bar{\wp}_1\wp_4}{(1 - \wp_3)(1 - \bar{\wp}_4) - \bar{\wp}_3\wp_4} \|x\|_\infty \right. \\ &\quad + \left. \frac{\wp_2(1 - \bar{\wp}_4) + \bar{\wp}_2\wp_4}{(1 - \wp_3)(1 - \bar{\wp}_4) - \bar{\wp}_3\wp_4} \|y\|_\infty + \frac{\wp_5^*(1 - \bar{\wp}_4) + \bar{\wp}_5^*\wp_4}{(1 - \wp_3)(1 - \bar{\wp}_4) - \bar{\wp}_3\wp_4} \right], \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\aleph_2(x, y)(\theta)| &\leq \frac{|\delta_3|}{|\delta_1 + \delta_2|} + \left[ \frac{|\delta_1|}{|\delta_1 + \delta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^{\varkappa} \varrho^{\alpha_2-1} d\varrho \right. \\
 &\quad + \frac{|\delta_2|}{|\delta_1 + \delta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\varkappa - \varrho|^{\alpha_2-1} d\varrho \\
 &\quad + \left. \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\theta - \varrho|^{\alpha_2-1} d\varrho \right] \left[ \frac{\bar{\varrho}_1(1 - \wp_3) + \wp_1\bar{\varrho}_3}{(1 - \wp_3)(1 - \bar{\varrho}_4) - \bar{\varrho}_3\wp_4} \|x\|_\infty \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{\bar{\varrho}_2(1 - \wp_3) + \wp_2\bar{\varrho}_3}{(1 - \wp_3)(1 - \bar{\varrho}_4) - \bar{\varrho}_3\wp_4} \|y\|_\infty + \frac{\bar{\varrho}_5^*(1 - \wp_3) + \wp_5^*\bar{\varrho}_3}{(1 - \wp_3)(1 - \bar{\varrho}_4) - \bar{\varrho}_3\wp_4} \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|\aleph_1(x, y)\|_\infty &\leq \frac{|\beta_3|}{|\beta_1 + \beta_2|} + \left[ \frac{(|\beta_1| + |\beta_2| + |\beta_1 + \beta_2|)\varkappa^{\alpha_1}}{|\beta_1 + \beta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)} \right] \\
 &\quad \times \left[ \frac{\wp_1(1 - \bar{\varrho}_4) + \bar{\varrho}_1\wp_4}{(1 - \wp_3)(1 - \bar{\varrho}_4) - \bar{\varrho}_3\wp_4} \|x\|_\infty \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{\wp_2(1 - \bar{\varrho}_4) + \bar{\varrho}_2\wp_4}{(1 - \wp_3)(1 - \bar{\varrho}_4) - \bar{\varrho}_3\wp_4} \|y\|_\infty + \frac{\wp_5^*(1 - \bar{\varrho}_4) + \bar{\varrho}_5^*\wp_4}{(1 - \wp_3)(1 - \bar{\varrho}_4) - \bar{\varrho}_3\wp_4} \right] \\
 &\leq \lambda_1 \|x\|_\infty + \lambda_2 \|y\|_\infty + \lambda_3,
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|\aleph_2(x, y)\|_\infty &\leq \frac{|\delta_3|}{|\delta_1 + \delta_2|} + \left[ \frac{(|\delta_1| + |\delta_2| + |\delta_1 + \delta_2|)\varkappa^{\alpha_2}}{|\delta_1 + \delta_2|\Gamma(\alpha_2 + 1)} \right] \\
 &\quad \times \left[ \frac{\bar{\varrho}_1(1 - \wp_3) + \wp_1\bar{\varrho}_3}{(1 - \wp_3)(1 - \bar{\varrho}_4) - \bar{\varrho}_3\wp_4} \|x\|_\infty \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{\bar{\varrho}_2(1 - \wp_3) + \wp_2\bar{\varrho}_3}{(1 - \wp_3)(1 - \bar{\varrho}_4) - \bar{\varrho}_3\wp_4} \|y\|_\infty + \frac{\bar{\varrho}_5^*(1 - \wp_3) + \wp_5^*\bar{\varrho}_3}{(1 - \wp_3)(1 - \bar{\varrho}_4) - \bar{\varrho}_3\wp_4} \right] \\
 &\leq \lambda_1 \|x\|_\infty + \lambda_2 \|y\|_\infty + \lambda_3.
 \end{aligned}$$

Finally, we obtain

$$\|\aleph(x, y)\|_{\mathcal{F}} \leq (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)R + \lambda_3 \leq R.$$

Hence,  $\aleph(D_R) \subset D_R$ .

**STEP 3** ( $\aleph(D_R)$  is equicontinuous). Let  $\theta_1, \theta_2 \in \Theta$  where  $\theta_1 < \theta_2$  and  $y \in D_R$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} & |\aleph_1(x, y)(\theta_2) - \aleph_1(x, y)(\theta_1)| \\ &= \left| \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_0^\infty |\theta_2 - \varrho|^{\alpha_1-1} \varpi_1(\varrho) d\varrho - \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_0^\infty |\theta_1 - \varrho|^{\alpha_1-1} \varpi_1(\varrho) d\varrho \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_0^\infty \left| |\theta_2 - \varrho|^{\alpha_1-1} - |\theta_1 - \varrho|^{\alpha_1-1} \right| |\varpi_1(\varrho)| d\varrho \\ &\leq \frac{R}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_0^\infty \left| |\theta_2 - \varrho|^{\alpha_1-1} - |\theta_1 - \varrho|^{\alpha_1-1} \right| d\varrho, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & |\aleph_2(x, y)(\theta_2) - \aleph_2(x, y)(\theta_1)| \\ &= \left| \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^\infty |\theta_2 - \varrho|^{\alpha_2-1} \varpi_2(\varrho) d\varrho - \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^\infty |\theta_1 - \varrho|^{\alpha_2-1} \varpi_2(\varrho) d\varrho \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^\infty \left| |\theta_2 - \varrho|^{\alpha_2-1} - |\theta_1 - \varrho|^{\alpha_2-1} \right| |\varpi_2(\varrho)| d\varrho \\ &\leq \frac{R}{\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^\infty \left| |\theta_2 - \varrho|^{\alpha_2-1} - |\theta_1 - \varrho|^{\alpha_2-1} \right| d\varrho. \end{aligned}$$

Then, when  $\theta_1 \rightarrow \theta_2$ , the right-hand side of the inequalities tend to zero, so we conclude that the operator  $\aleph$  is equicontinuous. According to the three steps and the Ascoli-Arzelà theorem, we deduce that the operator  $\aleph$  has at least a fixed point which is the solution of the coupled system (1)–(2).

□

### 3.2. Ulam-Hyers-Rassias Stability

Now, we consider the Ulam stability for system (1)–(2). For this, we take inspiration from the following papers [6, 24, 25] and the references therein. Let  $(x, y) \in \mathcal{F}$ ,  $\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2 > 0$ , and  $\chi_1, \chi_2 : \Theta \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be continuous functions. We consider the following inequalities:

$$\begin{cases} \left| {}_0^{\text{RC}} D_{\infty}^{\alpha_1} x(\theta) - \varphi_1(\theta, x(\theta), y(\theta)), {}_0^{\text{RC}} D_{\infty}^{\alpha_1} x(\theta), {}_0^{\text{RC}} D_{\infty}^{\alpha_2} y(\theta) \right| \leq \epsilon_1, \theta \in \Theta, \\ \left| {}_0^{\text{RC}} D_{\infty}^{\alpha_2} y(\theta) - \varphi_2(\theta, x(\theta), y(\theta)), {}_0^{\text{RC}} D_{\infty}^{\alpha_1} x(\theta), {}_0^{\text{RC}} D_{\infty}^{\alpha_2} y(\theta) \right| \leq \epsilon_2, \theta \in \Theta, \end{cases} \quad (11)$$

$$\begin{cases} \left| {}_0^{\text{RC}}D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_1}x(\theta) - \varphi_1(\theta, x(\theta), y(\theta), {}_0^{\text{RC}}D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_1}x(\theta), {}_0^{\text{RC}}D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_2}y(\theta)) \right| \leq \chi_1(\theta), \theta \in \Theta, \\ \left| {}_0^{\text{RC}}D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_2}y(\theta) - \varphi_2(\theta, x(\theta), y(\theta), {}_0^{\text{RC}}D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_1}x(\theta), {}_0^{\text{RC}}D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_2}y(\theta)) \right| \leq \chi_2(\theta), \theta \in \Theta, \end{cases} \quad (12)$$

and

$$\begin{cases} \left| {}_0^{\text{RC}}D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_1}x(\theta) - \varphi_1(\theta, x(\theta), y(\theta), {}_0^{\text{RC}}D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_1}x(\theta), {}_0^{\text{RC}}D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_2}y(\theta)) \right| \leq \epsilon_1\chi_1(\theta), \theta \in \Theta, \\ \left| {}_0^{\text{RC}}D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_2}y(\theta) - \varphi_2(\theta, x(\theta), y(\theta), {}_0^{\text{RC}}D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_1}x(\theta), {}_0^{\text{RC}}D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_2}y(\theta)) \right| \leq \epsilon_2\chi_2(\theta), \theta \in \Theta. \end{cases} \quad (13)$$

**DEFINITION 3.5.** System (1)–(2) is Ulam-Hyers (U-H) stable if there exists  $a_\varphi = \max\{a_{\varphi_1}, a_{\varphi_2}\} > 0$  such that for each  $\epsilon = \max\{\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2\} > 0$  and for each solution  $(x, y) \in \mathcal{F}$  of inequality (11) there exists a solution  $(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) \in \mathcal{F}$  of (1)–(2) with

$$|(x, y)(\theta) - (\bar{x}, \bar{y})(\theta)| \leq \epsilon a_\varphi, \quad \theta \in \Theta.$$

**DEFINITION 3.6.** System (1)–(2) is generalized Ulam-Hyers (G.U-H) stable if there exists  $K_\varphi \in C(\mathbb{R}^+, \mathbb{R}^+)$  with  $K_\varphi(0) = 0$  such that for each  $\epsilon > 0$  and for each solution  $(x, y) \in \mathcal{F}$  of inequality (11) there exists a solution  $(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) \in \mathcal{F}$  of (1)–(2) with

$$|(x, y)(\theta) - (\bar{x}, \bar{y})(\theta)| \leq K_\varphi(\epsilon), \quad \theta \in \Theta.$$

**DEFINITION 3.7.** (1)–(2) is Ulam-Hyers-Rassias (U-H-R) stable with respect to  $\chi = \max\{\chi_1, \chi_2\} \in C(\Theta, \mathbb{R}^+)$  if there exists  $a_{\varphi, \chi} = \max\{a_{\varphi_1, \chi_1}, a_{\varphi_2, \chi_2}\} > 0$  such that for each  $\epsilon = \max\{\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2\} > 0$  and for each solution  $(x, y) \in \mathcal{F}$  of inequality (13) there exists a solution  $(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) \in \mathcal{F}$  of (1)–(2) with

$$|(x, y)(\theta) - (\bar{x}, \bar{y})(\theta)| \leq \epsilon a_{\varphi, \chi} \chi(\theta), \quad \theta \in \Theta.$$

**DEFINITION 3.8.** System (1)–(2) is generalized Ulam-Hyers-Rassias (G.U-H-R) stable with respect to  $\chi = \max\{\chi_1, \chi_2\} \in C(\Theta, \mathbb{R}^+)$  if there exists  $a_{\varphi, \chi} = \max\{a_{\varphi_1, \chi_1}, a_{\varphi_2, \chi_2}\} > 0$  such that for each solution  $(x, y) \in \mathcal{F}$  of inequality (13) there exists a solution  $(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) \in \mathcal{F}$  of (1)–(2) with

$$|(x, y)(\theta) - (\bar{x}, \bar{y})(\theta)| \leq a_{\varphi, \chi} \chi(\theta), \quad \theta \in \Theta.$$

**Remark 2.** It is clear that:

- (1) Definition 3.5  $\implies$  Definition 3.6
- (2) Definition 3.7  $\implies$  Definition 3.8
- (3) Definition 3.7 for  $\chi(\cdot) = 1 \implies$  Definition 3.5

**Remark 3.** A function  $(x, y) \in \mathcal{F}$  is a solution of inequality (13) if and only if there exist  $v_{\varphi_1}, v_{\varphi_2} \in \mathcal{F}$  such that

- (1)  $\|v_{\varphi_1}(\theta)\| \leq \epsilon_1\chi_1(\theta)$  and  $\|v_{\varphi_2}(\theta)\| \leq \epsilon_2\chi_2(\theta)$ ,  $\theta \in \Theta$ .
- (2)  ${}_0^{\text{RC}}D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_1}x(\theta) = \varphi_1(\theta, x(\theta), y(\theta), {}_0^{\text{RC}}D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_1}x(\theta), {}_0^{\text{RC}}D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_2}y(\theta)) + v_{\varphi_1}(\theta)$ ,  $\theta \in \Theta$ .
- (3)  ${}_0^{\text{RC}}D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_2}y(\theta) = \varphi_2(\theta, x(\theta), y(\theta), {}_0^{\text{RC}}D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_1}x(\theta), {}_0^{\text{RC}}D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_2}y(\theta)) + v_{\varphi_2}(\theta)$ ,  $\theta \in \Theta$ .

**THEOREM 3.9.** *Assume that in addition to (Ax1)–(Ax2) and (10), the following hypothesis holds.*

(Ax3) *There exist nondecreasing functions  $\chi_1, \chi_2 : \Theta \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  and  $\kappa_{\chi_1}, \kappa_{\chi_2} > 0$  such that for each  $\theta \in \Theta$ , we have*

$$({}_0I_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_1} \chi_1)(\theta) \leq \kappa_{\chi_1} \chi_1(\theta)$$

and

$$({}_0I_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_2} \chi_2)(\theta) \leq \kappa_{\chi_2} \chi_2(\theta).$$

Then, the system (1)–(2) is U-H-R stable with respect to  $\chi$ .

**Proof.** Let  $(x, y) \in \mathcal{F}$  be a solution if inequality (13), and let us assume that  $(\bar{x}, \bar{y})$  is the unique solution of the system

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} {}^RC D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_1} \bar{x}(\theta) = \varphi_1(\theta, \bar{x}(\theta), \bar{y}(\theta), {}^RC D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_1} \bar{x}(\theta), {}^RC D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_2} \bar{y}(\theta)), \\ {}^RC D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_2} \bar{y}(\theta) = \varphi_2(\theta, \bar{x}(\theta), \bar{y}(\theta), {}^RC D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_1} \bar{x}(\theta), {}^RC D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_2} \bar{y}(\theta)), \\ \beta_1 \bar{x}(0) + \beta_2 \bar{x}(\varkappa) = \beta_3, \\ \delta_1 \bar{y}(0) + \delta_2 \bar{y}(\varkappa) = \delta_3, \\ \bar{x}(0) = x(0), \bar{x}(\varkappa) = x(\varkappa), \\ \bar{y}(0) = y(0), \bar{y}(\varkappa) = y(\varkappa). \end{array} \right.$$

By Theorem 3.1, we obtain for each  $\theta \in \Theta$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{x}(\theta) &= \frac{\beta_3}{\beta_1 + \beta_2} - \frac{\beta_1}{(\beta_1 + \beta_2)\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_0^{\varkappa} \varrho^{\alpha_1-1} \bar{\omega}_1(\varrho) d\varrho \\ &\quad - \frac{\beta_2}{(\beta_1 + \beta_2)\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\varkappa - \varrho|^{\alpha_1-1} \bar{\omega}_1(\varrho) d\varrho \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\theta - \varrho|^{\alpha_1-1} \bar{\omega}_1(\varrho) d\varrho, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{y}(\theta) &= \frac{\delta_3}{\delta_1 + \delta_2} - \frac{\delta_1}{(\delta_1 + \delta_2)\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^{\varkappa} \varrho^{\alpha_2-1} \bar{\omega}_2(\varrho) d\varrho \\ &\quad - \frac{\delta_2}{(\delta_1 + \delta_2)\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\varkappa - \varrho|^{\alpha_2-1} \bar{\omega}_2(\varrho) d\varrho \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\theta - \varrho|^{\alpha_2-1} \bar{\omega}_2(\varrho) d\varrho, \end{aligned}$$

where for  $i = 1, 2$ ,  $\bar{\omega}_i \in C(\Theta, \mathbb{R})$  satisfy the following system of functional equations:

$$\begin{cases} \bar{\omega}_1(\theta) = \varphi_1(\theta, \bar{x}(\theta), \bar{y}(\theta), \bar{\omega}_1(\theta), \bar{\omega}_2(\theta)), \\ \bar{\omega}_2(\theta) = \varphi_2(\theta, \bar{x}(\theta), \bar{y}(\theta), \bar{\omega}_1(\theta), \bar{\omega}_2(\theta)). \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} \varpi_1(\theta) = \varphi_1(\theta, x(\theta), y(\theta), \varpi_1(\theta), \varpi_2(\theta)), \\ \varpi_2(\theta) = \varphi_2(\theta, x(\theta), y(\theta), \varpi_1(\theta), \varpi_2(\theta)). \end{cases}$$

Since  $x$  is a solution of the inequality (13), by Remark 3, we have

$$\begin{cases} {}_0^R C D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_1} x(\theta) = \varphi_1(\theta, x(\theta), y(\theta), {}_0^R C D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_1} x(\theta), {}_0^R C D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_2} y(\theta)) + v_{\varphi_1}(\theta), \\ {}_0^R C D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_2} y(\theta) = \varphi_2(\theta, x(\theta), y(\theta), {}_0^R C D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_1} x(\theta), {}_0^R C D_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_2} y(\theta)) + v_{\varphi_2}(\theta). \end{cases} \quad (14)$$

Clearly, from (14) we can obtain

$$\begin{aligned} x(\theta) &= \frac{\beta_3}{\beta_1 + \beta_2} - \frac{\beta_1}{(\beta_1 + \beta_2)\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_0^{\varkappa} \varrho^{\alpha_1-1} (\varpi_1(\varrho) + v_{\varphi_1}(\varrho)) d\varrho \\ &\quad - \frac{\beta_2}{(\beta_1 + \beta_2)\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\varkappa - \varrho|^{\alpha_1-1} (\varpi_1(\varrho) + v_{\varphi_1}(\varrho)) d\varrho \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\theta - \varrho|^{\alpha_1-1} (\varpi_1(\varrho) + v_{\varphi_1}(\varrho)) d\varrho, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} y(\theta) &= \frac{\delta_3}{\delta_1 + \delta_2} - \frac{\delta_1}{(\delta_1 + \delta_2)\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^{\varkappa} \varrho^{\alpha_2-1} (\varpi_2(\varrho) + v_{\varphi_2}(\varrho)) d\varrho \\ &\quad - \frac{\delta_2}{(\delta_1 + \delta_2)\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\varkappa - \varrho|^{\alpha_2-1} (\varpi_2(\varrho) + v_{\varphi_2}(\varrho)) d\varrho \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\theta - \varrho|^{\alpha_2-1} (\varpi_2(\varrho) + v_{\varphi_2}(\varrho)) d\varrho, \end{aligned}$$

where for  $i = 1, 2$ ,  $\varpi_i \in C(\Theta, \mathbb{R})$  satisfy the following system of functional equations:

$$\begin{cases} \varpi_1(\theta) = \varphi_1(\theta, x(\theta), y(\theta), \varpi_1(\theta), \varpi_2(\theta)), \\ \varpi_2(\theta) = \varphi_2(\theta, x(\theta), y(\theta), \varpi_1(\theta), \varpi_2(\theta)). \end{cases}$$

Hence, for each  $\theta \in \Theta$  we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 |x(\theta) - \bar{x}(\theta)| &\leq \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\theta - \varrho|^{\alpha_1-1} |\varpi_1(\varrho) - \bar{\varpi}_1(\varrho)| d\varrho + ({}_0I_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_1} |v_{\varphi_1}(\varrho)|) \\
 &\leq \epsilon_1 \kappa_{\chi_1} \chi_1(\theta) + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\theta - \varrho|^{\alpha_1-1} d\varrho \\
 &\quad \times \left[ \frac{\psi_4 \bar{\psi}_1 + \psi_1(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4 \bar{\psi}_3} \|x - \bar{x}\|_{\infty} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{\psi_4 \bar{\psi}_2 + \psi_2(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4 \bar{\psi}_3} \|y - \bar{y}\|_{\infty} \right] \\
 &\leq \epsilon_1 \kappa_{\chi_1} \chi_1(\theta) + \frac{\varkappa^{\alpha_1}}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)} \left[ \frac{\psi_4 \bar{\psi}_1 + \psi_1(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4 \bar{\psi}_3} \|x - \bar{x}\|_{\infty} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{\psi_4 \bar{\psi}_2 + \psi_2(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4 \bar{\psi}_3} \|y - \bar{y}\|_{\infty} \right],
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 |y(\theta) - \bar{y}(\theta)| &\leq \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\theta - \varrho|^{\alpha_2-1} |\varpi_2(\varrho) - \bar{\varpi}_2(\varrho)| d\varrho + ({}_0I_{\varkappa}^{\alpha_2} |v_{\varphi_2}(\varrho)|) \\
 &\leq \epsilon_2 \kappa_{\chi_2} \chi_2(\theta) + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^{\varkappa} |\theta - \varrho|^{\alpha_2-1} d\varrho \\
 &\quad \times \left[ \frac{\psi_1 \bar{\psi}_3 + \bar{\psi}_1(1 - \psi_3)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4 \bar{\psi}_3} \|x - \bar{x}\|_{\infty} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{\psi_2 \bar{\psi}_3 + \bar{\psi}_2(1 - \psi_3)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4 \bar{\psi}_3} \|y - \bar{y}\|_{\infty} \right] \\
 &\leq \epsilon_2 \kappa_{\chi_2} \chi_2(\theta) + \frac{\varkappa^{\alpha_2}}{\Gamma(\alpha_2 + 1)} \left[ \frac{\psi_1 \bar{\psi}_3 + \bar{\psi}_1(1 - \psi_3)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4 \bar{\psi}_3} \|x - \bar{x}\|_{\infty} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{\psi_2 \bar{\psi}_3 + \bar{\psi}_2(1 - \psi_3)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4 \bar{\psi}_3} \|y - \bar{y}\|_{\infty} \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|x - \bar{x}\|_{\infty} &\leq \epsilon_1 \kappa_{\chi_1} \chi_1(\theta) + \frac{\varkappa^{\alpha_1}}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)} \left[ \frac{\psi_4 \bar{\psi}_1 + \psi_1(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4 \bar{\psi}_3} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{\psi_4 \bar{\psi}_2 + \psi_2(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4 \bar{\psi}_3} \right] \|(x, y) - (\bar{x}, \bar{y})\|_{\mathcal{F}},
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \|y - \bar{y}\|_\infty \leq & \epsilon_2 \kappa_{\chi_2} \chi_2(\theta) + \frac{\varkappa^{\alpha_2}}{\Gamma(\alpha_2 + 1)} \left[ \frac{\psi_1 \bar{\psi}_3 + \bar{\psi}_1(1 - \psi_3)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4 \bar{\psi}_3} \right. \\ & \left. + \frac{\psi_2 \bar{\psi}_3 + \bar{\psi}_2(1 - \psi_3)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4 \bar{\psi}_3} \right] \|(x, y) - (\bar{x}, \bar{y})\|_{\mathcal{F}}. \end{aligned}$$

Then, we may obtain

$$\|(x, y) - (\bar{x}, \bar{y})\|_{\mathcal{F}} \leq \epsilon \kappa_{\chi} \chi(\theta) + \mathcal{M} \|(x, y) - (\bar{x}, \bar{y})\|_{\mathcal{F}}, \quad (15)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa_{\chi} &= \max\{\kappa_{\chi_1}, \kappa_{\chi_2}\}, \\ \mathcal{M} &= \max\{\mathcal{M}_1, \mathcal{M}_2\}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{M}_1 = \frac{\varkappa^{\alpha_1}}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + 1)} \left[ \frac{\psi_4 \bar{\psi}_1 + \psi_1(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4 \bar{\psi}_3} + \frac{\psi_4 \bar{\psi}_2 + \psi_2(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4 \bar{\psi}_3} \right],$$

and

$$\mathcal{M}_2 = \frac{\varkappa^{\alpha_2}}{\Gamma(\alpha_2 + 1)} \left[ \frac{\psi_1 \bar{\psi}_3 + \bar{\psi}_1(1 - \psi_3)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4 \bar{\psi}_3} + \frac{\psi_2 \bar{\psi}_3 + \bar{\psi}_2(1 - \psi_3)}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3) - \psi_4 \bar{\psi}_3} \right].$$

From (15), we conclude that for each  $\theta \in \Theta$ , we have

$$\|(x, y) - (\bar{x}, \bar{y})\|_{\mathcal{F}} \leq \epsilon a_{\varphi, \chi} \chi(\theta),$$

where

$$a_{\varphi, \chi} = \frac{\kappa_{\chi}}{1 - \mathcal{M}}.$$

Hence, the system (1)–(2) is U-H-R stable with respect to  $\chi$ .  $\square$

**Remark 4.** If the conditions (Ax1)–(Ax2) and (10) are satisfied, then by Theorem 3.9 and Remark 2, it is clear that system (1)–(2) is U-H-R stable and G.U-H-R stable. And if  $\chi(\cdot) = 1$ , then system (1)–(2) is also G.U-H stable and U-H stable.

## 4. An Example

Consider the following implicit fractional system which is an example of our system (1)–(2):

$$\begin{cases} {}_0^{\text{RC}}D_1^{\frac{1}{2}}x(\theta) = \varphi_1 \left( \theta, x(\theta), y(\theta), {}_0^{\text{RC}}D_1^{\frac{1}{2}}x(\theta), {}_0^{\text{RC}}D_1^{\frac{1}{2}}y(\theta) \right), \\ {}_0^{\text{RC}}D_1^{\frac{1}{2}}y(\theta) = \varphi_2 \left( \theta, x(\theta), y(\theta), {}_0^{\text{RC}}D_1^{\frac{1}{2}}x(\theta), {}_0^{\text{RC}}D_1^{\frac{1}{2}}y(\theta) \right), \end{cases} \quad (16)$$

where  $\theta \in \Theta := [0, 1]$ , with the boundary conditions



$$\begin{cases} x(0) + x(1) = 0, \\ y(0) + y(1) = 0, \end{cases} \tag{17}$$

where

$$\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \frac{1}{2}, \quad \beta_1 = \beta_2 = \delta_1 = \delta_2 = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \beta_3 = \delta_3 = 0.$$

For  $\theta \in [0, 1], \xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3, \xi_4 \in \mathbb{R}$ , set

$$\varphi_1(\theta, \xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3, \xi_4) = \frac{\cos(\theta)(|\xi_1| + |\xi_2| + |\xi_3| + |\xi_4|) + \theta + 1}{116e^\theta(1 + |\xi_1| + |\xi_2| + |\xi_3| + |\xi_4|)},$$

and

$$\varphi_2(\theta, \xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3, \xi_4) = \frac{(\theta^3 + 1)(|\xi_1| + |\xi_2| + |\xi_3| + |\xi_4|) + \theta^2 + 2\theta + 2}{216e^\theta(1 + |\xi_1| + |\xi_2| + |\xi_3| + |\xi_4|)}.$$

We observe that  $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$  are continuous functions. And, for any  $\xi_j, \bar{\xi}_j \in \mathbb{R}; j = 1, \dots, 4$ , and  $\theta \in [0, 1]$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & |\varphi_1(\theta, \xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3, \xi_4) - \varphi_1(\theta, \bar{\xi}_1, \bar{\xi}_2, \bar{\xi}_3, \bar{\xi}_4)| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{116e} [|\xi_1 - \bar{\xi}_1| + |\xi_2 - \bar{\xi}_2| + |\xi_3 - \bar{\xi}_3| + |\xi_4 - \bar{\xi}_4|], \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & |\varphi_2(\theta, \xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3, \xi_4) - \varphi_2(\theta, \bar{\xi}_1, \bar{\xi}_2, \bar{\xi}_3, \bar{\xi}_4)| \\ & \leq \frac{2}{216e} [|\xi_1 - \bar{\xi}_1| + |\xi_2 - \bar{\xi}_2| + |\xi_3 - \bar{\xi}_3| + |\xi_4 - \bar{\xi}_4|]. \end{aligned}$$

Then, the condition (Ax2) is satisfied with  $\psi_j = \frac{1}{116e}$  and  $\bar{\psi}_j = \frac{2}{216e}$ , where  $j = 1, \dots, 4$ . Also, we have

$$\Upsilon := \max\{\mathcal{A}_1, \mathcal{B}_1\} + \max\{\mathcal{A}_2, \mathcal{B}_2\} + \frac{\psi_4 \bar{\psi}_3}{(1 - \bar{\psi}_4)(1 - \psi_3)} < 1.$$

Since all the conditions of Theorem 3.3 are satisfied, then the system (16)–(17) has a unique solution on  $\Theta$ .

Hypothesis (Ax3) is satisfied with  $\chi_1(\theta) = \chi_2(\theta) = 4\sqrt{\pi}$  and  $\kappa_{\chi_1} = \kappa_{\chi_2} = 2$ . Indeed, for each  $\theta \in \Theta$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} {}_0I_1^{\alpha_1} 2\sqrt{\pi} &= {}_0I_1^{\alpha_2} 2\sqrt{\pi} \\ &\leq \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_0^\theta (\theta - \rho)^{\alpha_1-1} d\rho + \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} \int_\theta^1 (\rho - \theta)^{\alpha_1-1} d\rho \\ &\leq 8\sqrt{\pi}. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, Theorem 3.9 implies that the system (16)–17 is U-H-R stable.

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