

POSITIVE SOLUTIONS FOR A FRACTIONAL BOUNDARY VALUE PROBLEM VIA A MIXED MONOTONE OPERATOR

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Abstract. In this paper, by using a mixed monotone operator method we study the existence and uniqueness of positive solutions to the following nonlinear fractional boundary value problem

$$\begin{cases} {}^C D_{0+}^{\alpha} u(t) + f(t, u(t), (Hu)(t)) + g(t, u(t)) = 0, & 0 < t < 1, \\ u(0) = u''(0) = 0, & u'(1) = \gamma u'(\eta), \end{cases}$$

where $2 < \alpha \leq 3$, $\gamma, \eta \in (0, 1)$, ${}^C D_{0+}^{\alpha}$ denotes de Caputo fractional derivative, $f : [0, 1] \times [0, \infty) \times [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ and $g : [0, 1] \times [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ are continuous functions and H is an operator (not necessarily linear) applying $\mathcal{C}[0, 1]$ into itself. Moreover, in order to illustrate our results, we present some examples.

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