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# Solutions of Four Point Boundary Value Problems for Non-Linear Second-Order Differential Equations 

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#### Abstract

In this paper, we are concerned with the existence of symmetric positive solutions for second-order differential equations. Under the suitable conditions, the existence and symmetric positive solutions are established by using Krasnoselskii's fixed-point theorems.


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## I. INTRODUCTION

There are many results about the existence and multiplicity of positive solutions for nonlinear second-order differential equations. The existence of symmetric positive solutions of second-order four - point differential equations as follows,

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
-u^{\prime \prime}(t)=f(t, v),  \tag{1.1}\\
-v^{\prime \prime}(t)=g(t, u), 0 \leq t \leq 1
\end{array}\right.
$$

Subject to the boundary conditions
$\left\{u(t)=u(1-t), u^{\prime}(0)-u^{\prime}(1)=u\left(\xi_{1}\right)+u\left(\xi_{2}\right)\right.$
$\left\{v(t)=v(1-t), v^{\prime}(0)-v^{\prime}(1)=v\left(\xi_{1}\right)+v\left(\xi_{2}\right), 0<\xi_{1}<\xi_{2}<1\right.$,
Where $f, g:[0,1] \times R^{+} \rightarrow R^{+}$are continuous, both $f(., u)$ and $g(., u)$ are symmetric on $[0,1], f(x, 0) \equiv g(x, 0) \equiv 0$. The arguments for establishing the symmetric positive solution of (1.1) and (1.2) involve the properties of the functions in Lemmal that plays a key role in defining some cones. A fixed point theorem due to Krasnoselskii is applied to yield the existence of symmetric positive solution of (1.1) and (1.2).

## II. NOTATIONS AND DEFINITIONS

In this section, we present some necessary definitions and preliminary lemmas that will be used in the proof of the results.
Definition 1. Let $E$ be a real Bananch space. A nonempty closed set $P \subset E$ is called a cone of E if it satisfies the following conditions:

1) $x \in P, \lambda>0$ implies $\lambda x \in P$;
2) $x \in P,-x \in P$ implies $x=0$.

Definition 2. Function $u$ is called to be concave on [0,1] if $u\left(r t_{1}+(1-r) t_{2}\right) \geq r u\left(t_{1}\right)+(1-r) u\left(t_{2}\right), r, t_{1}, t_{2} \in[0,1]$
Definition 3. The function $u$ is symmetric on [0,1] if $u(t)=u(1-t), t \in[0,1]$.
Definition 4. The function $(u, v)$ is called a symmetric positive solution if the equation (1.1) if $u$ and $v$ are symmetric and positive on $[0,1]$, and satisfy the equation (1.2).
We shall consider the real Banach space $C[0,1]$, equipped with norm $\|u\|=\max _{0 \leq t \leq 1}|u(t)|$.
Denote $C^{+}[0,1]=\{u \in C[0,1]: u(t) \geq 0, t \in[0,1]\}$.

## III.MAIN RESULTS

Lemma 1. Let $y \in C[0,1]$ be symmetrical on $[0,1]$ then the four point BVP

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
u^{\prime \prime}(t)+y(t)=0,0<t<1 \\
u(t)=u(1-t), u^{\prime}(0)-u^{\prime}(1)=u\left(\xi_{1}\right)+u\left(\xi_{2}\right) \tag{3.1}
\end{array}\right.
$$

has a unique symmetric solution $u(t)=\int_{0}^{1} G(t, s) y(s) d s$, where $G(t, s)=G_{1}(t, s)+G_{2}(s)$, here $G_{1}(t, s)=\left\{\begin{array}{l}t(1-s), 0 \leq t \leq s \leq 1, \\ s(1-t), 0 \leq s \leq t \leq 1,\end{array}\right.$
$G_{2}(s=)\left\{\begin{array}{l}\frac{1}{2}\left[\left(\xi_{1}-s\right)+\left(\xi_{2}-s\right)-\xi_{1}(1-s)-\xi_{2}(1-s)+1\right], 0 \leq s \leq \xi_{1} \\ \frac{1}{2}\left[\left(\xi_{2}-s\right)-\xi_{1}(1-s)-\xi_{2}(1-s)+1\right], \xi_{1} \leq s \leq \xi_{2} \\ \frac{1}{2}\left[-\xi_{1}(1-s)-\xi_{2}(1-s)+1\right], \xi_{2} \leq s \leq 1 .\end{array}\right.$
Proof. From (3.1), we have $u^{\prime \prime}(t)=-y(t)$. For $t \in[0,1]$, integrating from 0 to $t$ we get
$u^{\prime}(t)=-\int_{0}^{t} y(s) d s+A_{1}$
Since $u^{\prime}(t)=-u^{\prime}(1-t)$, we obtain that $-\int_{0}^{t} y(s) d s+A_{1}=\int_{0}^{1-t} y(s) d s-A_{1}$, which leads to

$$
\begin{aligned}
A_{1} & =\frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{t} y(s) d s+\frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{1-t} y(s) d s \\
& =\frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{t} y(s) d s-\frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{1-t} y(1-s) d(1-s) \\
& =\int_{0}^{1}(1-s) y(s) d s
\end{aligned}
$$

Integrating again we obtain

$$
u(t)=-\int_{0}^{t}(t-s) y(s) d s+t \int_{0}^{1}(1-s) y(s) d s+A_{2}
$$

From (3.1) and (3.2) we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
\int_{0}^{1} y(s) d s= & -\int_{0}^{\xi_{1}}\left(\xi_{1}-s\right) y(s) d s+\xi_{1} \int_{0}^{1}(1-s) y(s) d s+A_{2} \\
& -\int_{0}^{\xi_{2}}\left(\xi_{2}-s\right) y(s) d s+\xi_{2} \int_{0}^{1}(1-s) y(s) d s+A_{2}
\end{aligned}
$$

Thus

$$
\begin{aligned}
& A_{2}=\frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{\xi_{1}}\left[\left(\xi_{1}-s\right)+\left(\xi_{2}-s\right)-\xi_{1}(1-s)-\xi_{2}(1-s)+1\right] y(s) d s \\
&+\frac{1}{2} \int_{\xi_{1}}^{\xi_{2}}\left[\left(\xi_{2}-s\right)-\xi_{1}(1-s)-\xi_{2}(1-s)+1\right] y(s) d s \\
&+\frac{1}{2} \int_{\xi_{2}}^{1}\left[-\xi_{1}(1-s)-\xi_{2}(1-s)+1\right] y(s) d s
\end{aligned}
$$

From the above we can obtain the BVP (3.1) has a unique symmetric solution

$$
\begin{gathered}
u(t)=-\int_{0}^{t}(t-s) y(s) d s+t \int_{0}^{1}(1-s) y(s) d s \\
+\frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{\xi_{1}}\left[\left(\xi_{1}-s\right)+\left(\xi_{2}-s\right)-\xi_{1}(1-s)-\xi_{2}(1-s)+1\right] y(s) d s \\
+\frac{1}{2} \int_{\xi_{1}}^{\xi_{2}}\left[\left(\xi_{2}-s\right)-\xi_{1}(1-s)-\xi_{2}(1-s)+1\right] y(s) d s \\
+\frac{1}{2} \int_{\xi_{2}}^{1}\left[-\xi_{1}(1-s)-\xi_{2}(1-s)+1\right] y(s) d s \\
=\int_{0}^{1} G_{1}(t, s) y(s) d s+\int_{0}^{1} G_{2}(s) y(s) d s=\int_{0}^{1} G(t, s) y(s) d s
\end{gathered}
$$

This completes the proof.
Lemma 2. Let $m_{G_{2}}=\min \left[G_{2}\left(\xi_{1}\right), G_{2}\left(\xi_{2}\right)\right], L=\frac{4 m_{G 2}}{4 m_{G 2}+1}$, then the function $G(t, s)$ satisfies
$L G(s, s) \leq G(t, s)$ for $t, s \in[0,1]$.
Proof. For any $t \in[0,1]$ and $s \in[0,1]$, we have

$$
\begin{array}{r}
G(t, s)=G_{1}(t, s)+G_{2}(s) \geq G_{2}(s)=\frac{1}{4 m_{G_{2}}+1} G_{2}(s)+\frac{4 m_{G_{2}}}{4 m_{G_{2}}+1} G_{2}(s) \\
\geq \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{4 m_{G_{2}}}{4 m_{G_{2}}+1}+\frac{4 m_{G_{2}}}{4 m_{G_{2}}+1} G_{2}(s) \geq s(1-s) \frac{4 m_{G_{2}}}{4 m_{G_{2}}+1}+\frac{4 m_{G_{2}}}{4 m_{G_{2}}+1} G_{2}(s) \\
\geq L G_{1}(s, s)+L G_{2}(s)=L G(s, s) .
\end{array}
$$

It is obvious that $G(s, s) \geq G(t, s)$ for $t, s \in[0,1]$. The proof is complete.
Lemma 3. Let $y \in C^{+}[0,1]$, then the unique symmetric solution $u(t)$ of the $\operatorname{BVP}(3.1)$ is nonnegative on $[0,1]$
Proof. Let $y \in C^{+}[0,1]$ From the fact $u^{\prime \prime}(t)=-y(t) \leq 0, t \in[0,1]$, we have known that the graph of $u(t)$ is concave on $[0,1]$.
From (3.1). We have that

$$
\begin{aligned}
& u(0)=u(1)=\frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{\xi_{1}}\left[\left(\xi_{1}-s\right)+\left(\xi_{2}-s\right)-\xi_{1}(1-s)-\xi_{2}(1-s)+1\right] y(s) d s \\
&+\frac{1}{2} \int_{\xi_{1}}^{\xi_{2}}\left[\left(\xi_{2}-s\right)-\xi_{1}(1-s)-\xi_{2}(1-s)+1\right] y(s) d s \\
&+\frac{1}{2} \int_{\xi_{2}}^{1}\left[-\xi_{1}(1-s)-\xi_{2}(1-s)+1\right] y(s) d s \geq 0 .
\end{aligned}
$$

Note that $(u) t$ is concave, thus $u(t) \geq 0$ for $t \in[0,1]$. This complete the proof.
Lemma 4. Let $y \in C^{+}[0,1]$, then the unique symmetric solution $u(t)$ of $\operatorname{BVP}(3.1)$ satisfies.
$\min _{t \in[0,1]} u(t) \geq L\|u\|$.
Proof. For any $t \in[0,1]$, on one hand, from Lemma 2. We have that $u(t)=\int_{0}^{1} G(t, s) y(s) d s \leq \int_{0}^{1} G(s, s) y(s) d s$. Therefore,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\|u\| \leq \int_{0}^{1} G(s, s) y(s) d s . \tag{3.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

On the other hand, for any $t \in[0,1]$, from Lemma 2 . We can obtain that
$u(t)=\int_{0}^{1} G(t, s) y(s) d s \geq L \int_{0}^{1} G(s, s) y(s) d s \geq L\|u\|$
From (3.4) and 3.5) we know that (3.3) holds. Obviously, $(u, v) \in C^{2}[0,1] \times C^{2}[0,1]$ is the solution of (1.1) and 1.(2) if and only if $(u, v) \in C[0,1] \times C[0,1]$ is the solution of integral equations
$\left\{\begin{array}{l}(u) t=\int_{0}^{1} G(t, s) f(s, v(s)) d s \\ (v) t=\int_{0}^{1} G(t, s) f(s, u(s)) d s\end{array}\right.$
Integral equation (3.6) can be transferred to the non linear integral equation
$u(t)=\int_{0}^{1} G(t, s) f\left(s, \int_{0}^{1} G(s, \xi) g(\xi, u(\xi)) d \xi\right) d s$
Let $P=\left\{u \in C^{+}[0,1]: u(t)\right.$ is symmetric, concave on $[0,1]$ and $\left.\min _{0 \leq t \leq 1} u(t) \geq L\|u\|\right\}$. It is obvious that P is a positive cone in $C[0,1]$. Define an integral operator $A: P \rightarrow C$ by.
$A u(t)=\int_{0}^{1} G(t, s) f\left(s, \int_{0}^{1} G(s, \xi) g(\xi, u(\xi)) d \xi\right) d s$
It is easy to see that the $\operatorname{BVP}(1.1)$ and (1.2) has a solution $u=u(t)$ if and only if $u$ is a fixed point of the operator $A$ defined by (3.8).

Lemma 5. If the operator A is defined as (3.8), then $A: P \rightarrow P$ is completely continuous
Proof. It is obvious that $A u$ is symmetric on $[0,1]$. Note that $(A u)^{\prime \prime}(t)-f(t, v(t)) \leq 0$, we have that $A u$ is concave, and from Lemma 3, it is easily known that $A u \in C^{+}[0,1]$. Thus from Lemma 2 and non-negativity of $f$ and $g$.

$$
\begin{aligned}
A u(t) & =\int_{0}^{1} G(t, s) f\left(s, \int_{0}^{1} G(s, \xi) g(\xi, u(\xi)) d \xi\right) d s \\
& \leq \int_{0}^{1} G(s, s) f\left(s, \int_{0}^{1} G(s, \xi) g(\xi, u(\xi)) d \xi\right) d s,
\end{aligned}
$$

Then

$$
\|A u\| \leq \int_{0}^{1} G(s, s) f\left(s, \int_{0}^{1} G(s, \xi) g(\xi, u(\xi)) d \xi\right) d s
$$

For another hand,

$$
A u \geq L \int_{0}^{1} G(s, s) f\left(s, \int_{0}^{1} G(s, \xi) g(\xi, u(\xi)) d \xi\right) d s \geq L \quad\|A u\|
$$

Thus, $A(P) \subset P$. Since $G(t, s), f(t, u)$ and $g(t, u)$ are continuous, it is easy to know that $A: P \rightarrow P$ is completely continuous. The proof is complete.

## IV.CONCLUSIONS

From this paper we conclude that under the suitable conditions, the existence and symmetric positive solutions are established and five Lemma's are proved.

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