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A Study of Impulsive Multiterm Fractional Differential Equations with Single and Multiple Base Points and Applications

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We discuss the existence and uniqueness of solutions for initial value problems of nonlinear singular multiterm impulsive Caputo type fractional differential equations on the half line. Our study includes the cases for a single base point fractional differential equation as well as multiple base points fractional differential equation. The asymptotic behavior of solutions for the problems is also investigated. We demonstrate the utility of our work by applying the main results to fractional-order logistic models.

1. Introduction

The theory of impulsive differential equations describes processes which experience a sudden change of their state at certain moments. Processes with such a characteristic arise naturally and are often, for example, studied in physics, chemical technology, population dynamics, biotechnology, and economics. These processes are modeled by impulsive differential equations. In 1960, Milman and Myshkis introduced the concept of impulsive differential equations [1]. Afterwards, this subject was extensively investigated and several monographs have been published by many authors like Samoilenko and Perestyuk [2], Lakshmikantham et al. [3], Baino and Simonov [4], Baino and Covachev [5], and Benchohra et al. [6].

Fractional differential equations (FDEs for short), regarded as the generalizations of ordinary differential equations to an arbitrary noninteger order, find their genesis in the work of Newton and Leibniz in the seventeenth century. Recent investigations indicate that many physical systems can be modeled more accurately with the help of fractional derivatives [7]. Fractional differential equations, therefore, find numerous applications in the field of viscoelasticity, feedback amplifiers, electrical circuits, electroanalytical chemistry, fractional multipoles, and neuron modelling

encompassing different branches of physics, chemistry, and biological sciences [8–10].

Some recent work on the existence of solutions for initial value problems of Caputo type impulsive fractional differential equations can be found in a series of papers [11–16], whereas the solvability of boundary value problems of impulsive differential equations involving Caputo fractional derivatives was investigated in [17–26].

In the left and right fractional derivatives $D_a^\alpha x$ and $D_b^\alpha x$, a is called a left base point and b right base point. Both a and b are called base points of fractional derivatives. A fractional differential equation (FDE) containing more than one base points is called a *multiple base points FDE* while an FDE containing only one base point is called a *single base point FDE*.

Henderson and Ouahab [12] studied the solvability of the following initial value problems for impulsive fractional differential equations:

$$D_*^\alpha u(t) = f(t, u(t)), \quad t \in (0, b] \setminus \{t_1, \dots, t_m\}, \quad \alpha \in (1, 2],$$

$$u(t_k^+) = I_k(u(t_k^-)), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, m,$$

$$u'(t_k^+) = J_k(u(t_k^-)), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, m,$$

$$u(0) = a, \quad u'(0) = c,$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 D_*^\alpha u(t) &= f(t, u(t)), \quad t \in (0, b] \setminus \{t_1, \dots, t_m\}, \quad \alpha \in (0, 1], \\
 \Delta u(t_k) &= u(t_k^+) - u(t_k^-) = I_k(y(t_k^-)), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, m, \\
 u(0) &= a,
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{1}$$

where $0 < t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_m < b, b > 0$ is a fixed real number, $f : [0, b] \times R \rightarrow R$ is continuous, $I_k, J_k : R \rightarrow R$ ($k = 1, 2, \dots, m$) are continuous functions, $u(t_k^+) = \lim_{t \rightarrow t_k^+} u(t)$ and $u(t_k^-) = \lim_{t \rightarrow t_k^-} u(t)$ and $u'(t_k^+) = \lim_{t \rightarrow t_k^+} u'(t)$. One can see that both fractional differential equations in (1) are multiple base points FDEs with base points $0, t_1, t_2, \dots, t_m$, which are in fact the impulse points.

In [27], the authors used the concept of upper and lower solutions together with Schauder's fixed point theorem to study the impulsive fractional-order differential equation:

$$\begin{aligned}
 {}^c D^\alpha u(t) &= f(t, u(t)), \quad t \in (0, b] \setminus \{t_1, \dots, t_m\}, \quad \alpha \in (0, 1], \\
 \Delta u(t_k) &= u(t_k^+) - u(t_k^-) = I_k(y(t_k^-)), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, m, \\
 u(0) &= a.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{2}$$

One can notice that the problem (2) contains a multiple base points FDE with base points $0, t_1, t_2, \dots, t_m$ (impulse points).

In [28], the authors studied the existence and uniqueness of solutions of the following initial value problem of fractional order differential equations:

$$\begin{aligned}
 {}^c D^\alpha u(t) &= f(t, u(t)), \quad t \in (0, b] \setminus \{t_1, \dots, t_m\}, \quad \alpha \in (1, 2], \\
 \Delta u(t_k^+) &= I_k(u(t_k^-)), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, m, \\
 \Delta u'(t_k) &= J_k(u(t_k^-)), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, m, \\
 u(0) &= u_0, \quad u'(0) = u_1,
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3}$$

where the fractional differential equations are a multiple base points FDE with the base points $0, t_1, t_2, \dots, t_m$ (impulse points).

Fečkan et al. [29] studied the existence of solutions of the following initial value problem of impulsive fractional differential equations:

$$\begin{aligned}
 D_{0^+}^\alpha u(t) &= f(t, u(t)), \quad t \in (0, b] \setminus \{t_1, \dots, t_m\}, \quad \alpha \in (0, 1], \\
 u(t_k^+) &= I_k(y(t_k^-)), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, m, \\
 u(0) &= a,
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{4}$$

where $0 < t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_m < b, b > 0$ is a fixed real number, $f : [0, b] \times R \rightarrow R$ is jointly continuous, $I_k : R \rightarrow R$ ($k = 1, 2, \dots, m$) are continuous functions, $u(t_k^+) = \lim_{t \rightarrow t_k^+} u(t)$ and $u(t_k^-) = \lim_{t \rightarrow t_k^-} u(t)$ and $u'(t_k^+) = \lim_{t \rightarrow t_k^+} u'(t)$. Observe that the fractional differential equation in (4) is a single base point

FDE with the base point $t = 0$. So the impulse points are different from the base point.

Liu and Ahmad [30] studied a problem of multi-term and multiorder quasi-Laplacian singular fractional differential equations:

$$\begin{aligned}
 D_{0^+}^\beta [\Phi(\rho(t) D_{0^+}^\alpha x(t))] \\
 + q(t) f(t, x(t), D_{0^+}^\alpha x(t)) &= 0, \quad t \in (0, +\infty), \\
 \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} t^{1-\alpha} x(t) &= \int_0^{+\infty} m(t) g(t, x(t), D_{0^+}^\alpha x(t)) dt, \\
 \lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} I_{0^+}^{1-\beta} \Phi(\rho(t) D_{0^+}^\alpha x(t)) \\
 &= \int_0^{+\infty} n(t) h(t, x(t), D_{0^+}^\alpha x(t)) dt, \\
 \Delta x(t_k) &= I_k(t_k, x(t_k), D_{0^+}^\alpha x(t_k)), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, \\
 \Delta \Phi(\rho(t_k) D_{0^+}^\alpha x(t_k)) &= J_k(t_k, x(t_k), D_{0^+}^\alpha x(t_k)), \\
 & \quad k = 1, 2, \dots,
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{5}$$

where $1 < \alpha, \beta \leq 1, 0 < t_1 < t_2 < \dots$ are fixed points, D_{0^+} is the Riemann-Liouville fractional derivative, $\Phi : R \rightarrow R$ is a sup-multiplicative function, f, g, h are impulsive Caratheodory functions, $m, q, n, \rho : (0, 1) \rightarrow (0, +\infty)$ are continuous functions, and I_k, J_k are impulse functions. In (5), the fractional differential equation is a single base point FDE with the base point $t = 0$. Clearly the impulse points are different from the base point.

Remark. It is clear from the abovementioned work that IVPs of impulsive fractional differential equations can be categorized into two classes: (a) IVPs of one base point FDEs [20, 29, 30] and (b) IVPs of multiple base points FDEs [12, 27, 28].

In this paper, we study the following two initial value problems (IVPs for short) of nonlinear multi-term FDEs with impulses on half lines:

$$\begin{aligned}
 {}^c D_{0^+}^\alpha x(t) &= q(t) f(t, x(t), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(t)), \quad t \in (0, \infty), \\
 x(0) &= x_0, \\
 \Delta x(t_k) &= I_k(t_k, x(t_k)), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, \\
 {}^c D_*^\alpha x(t) &= q(t) f(t, x(t), {}^c D_*^p x(t)), \quad t \in (0, \infty), \\
 x(0) &= x_0, \\
 \Delta x(t_k) &= I_k(t_k, x(t_k)), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots,
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{6}$$

where $x_0 \in R, \alpha \in (0, 1], 0 < p < \alpha, 0 = t_0 < t_1 < t_2 < t_3 < \dots$ with $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} t_k = \infty, {}^c D_{0^+}$ is the standard Caputo

fractional derivative at the base point $t = 0, q : (0, \infty) \rightarrow R$ satisfies that there exists $l > -\alpha$ such that $|q(t)| \leq t^l$ for all $t \in (0, \infty)$, q may be singular at $t = 0, {}^c D_*$ is the standard Caputo fractional derivative at the base points $t = t_k (k = 1, 2, \dots)$; that is, ${}^c D_*^\alpha|_{(t_k, t_{k+1}]} u(t) = {}^c D_{t_k^+}^\alpha u(t)$ for all $t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}]$, and $f : [0, \infty) \times R^2 \rightarrow R$ is a Caratheodory function, $I_k : (0, \infty) \times R \rightarrow R (k = 1, 2, \dots)$ and $\{I_k\}$ is a Caratheodory function sequence, and $\Delta x(t_k) = \lim_{t \rightarrow t_k^+} x(t) - \lim_{t \rightarrow t_k^-} x(t), k = 1, 2, \dots$

The salient features of the present work include the following: (i) to establish sufficient conditions for the existence of solutions for the IVP (6) with a single base point and IVP (7) with multiple base points (same as the impulse points). We emphasize that the conditions for the existence of solutions for the IVPs (6) and (7) are different; (ii) the asymptotic behavior of solutions for the problems is studied and the sufficient criterion for every solution to tend to zero as $t \rightarrow \infty$ is established; (iii) the method of proof relies on the Schauder fixed point theorem; (iv) our approach for dealing with impulsive problems at hand is different from the ones employed in earlier work on the topic and thus opens a new avenue for studying impulsive fractional differential equations; (v) as an application, we apply our results to fractional-order logistic models and present sufficient conditions for the existence and asymptotic behavior of solutions of these logistic models.

The paper is organized as follows: the auxiliary material is given in Section 2, the main results are presented in Sections 3 and 4, while the application of the main results is demonstrated in Section 5.

2. Preliminaries

We recall some basic concepts of fractional calculus [9, 10] and show auxiliary results.

Define the Gamma function and Beta function, respectively, as

$$\Gamma(\alpha_1) = \int_0^{+\infty} s^{\alpha_1-1} e^{-s} ds,$$

$$B(\alpha_2, \beta_2) = \int_0^1 (1-x)^{\alpha_2-1} x^{\beta_2-1} dx, \tag{8}$$

$$\alpha_1 > 0, \quad \alpha_2, \beta_2 > 0.$$

Definition 1 (see [9]). Riemann-Liouville fractional integral of order $\alpha > 0$ of a continuous function $f : (0, \infty) \rightarrow R$ is given by

$$I_{0+}^\alpha f(t) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^t (t-s)^{\alpha-1} f(s) ds, \tag{9}$$

provided that the right-hand side exists.

Definition 2 (see [9]). Caputo's derivative of fractional-order α for a function $f \in AC^{(n-1)}([0, \infty), R)$ is defined by

$$D_{0+}^\alpha f(t) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(n-\alpha)} \int_0^t (t-s)^{n-\alpha-1} f^{(n)}(s) ds, \tag{10}$$

for $n-1 < \alpha \leq n, n \in N$. If $0 < \alpha \leq 1$, then

$$D_{0+}^\alpha f(t) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(1-\alpha)} \int_0^t (t-s)^{-\alpha} f^{(1)}(s) ds. \tag{11}$$

Obviously, Caputo's derivative of a constant is zero.

Lemma 3 (see [9]). For $\alpha > 0$, the general solution of fractional differential equation ${}^c D_{0+}^\alpha x(t) = 0$ is given by $x(t) = c_0 + c_1 t + c_2 t^2 + \dots + c_{n-1} t^{n-1}$, where $c_i \in R, i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1, n-1 < \alpha \leq n$.

Definition 4. A function $x : [0, \infty) \rightarrow R$ is said to be a solution of the IVP (6) if both $x|_{(t_k, t_{k+1}]}$ ($k = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$) and ${}^c D_{0+}^\alpha x|_{(t_k, t_{k+1}]}$ ($k = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$) are continuous, x satisfies the differential equation ${}^c D_{0+}^\alpha x(t) = q(t)f(t, x(t), {}^c D_{0+}^\alpha x(t))$ a.e. on $(0, \infty) \setminus \{t_1, t_2, t_3, \dots\}$, and the limits $\lim_{t \rightarrow t_k^+} x(t)$ and $\lim_{t \rightarrow t_k^+} {}^c D_{0+}^\alpha x(t)$ ($k = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$) exist and the following conditions are satisfied:

$$\Delta x(t_k) = I_k(t_k, x(t_k)), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, \quad x(0) = x_0. \tag{12}$$

Definition 5. A function $x : [0, \infty) \rightarrow R$ is said to be a solution of the IVP (7) if both $x|_{(t_k, t_{k+1}]}$ ($k = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$) and ${}^c D_{0+}^\alpha x|_{(t_k, t_{k+1}]}$ ($k = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$) are continuous, x satisfies the differential equation ${}^c D_{t_k^+}^\alpha x(t) = q(t)f(t, x(t), {}^c D_{t_k^+}^\alpha x(t))$ on $(t_k, t_{k+1}]$, and the limits $\lim_{t \rightarrow t_k^+} x(t)$ and $\lim_{t \rightarrow t_k^+} {}^c D_{0+}^\alpha x(t)$ ($k = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$) exist and the following conditions are satisfied:

$$\Delta x(t_k) = I_k(t_k, x(t_k)), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, \quad x(0) = x_0. \tag{13}$$

Choose $\sigma > \max\{0, \alpha + l\}$ and $\mu > \max\{\sigma, \sigma - \alpha - l\}$. Let

$$X = \left\{ x : [0, \infty) \rightarrow R : \left. \begin{array}{l} x|_{(t_k, t_{k+1}]} \in C^0(t_k, t_{k+1}], \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \\ {}^c D_{0+}^\alpha x|_{(t_k, t_{k+1}]} \in C^0(t_k, t_{k+1}], \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \\ \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t\mu)} x(t) \text{ is bounded on } (0, \infty) \\ \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t\mu} {}^c D_{0+}^\alpha x(t) \text{ is bounded on } (0, \infty). \end{array} \right\}. \tag{14}$$

For $x \in X$, define the norm on X as

$$\|x\| = \max \left\{ \sup_{t \in (0, \infty)} \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} |x(t)|, \sup_{t \in (0, \infty)} \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \left| {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(t) \right| \right\}. \tag{15}$$

It is easy to show that X is a real Banach space.

Definition 6. $f: [0, +\infty) \times R^2 \rightarrow R$ is called a Caratheodory function if it satisfies the following assumptions:

- (i) $(t, x, y) \rightarrow f(t, ((1+t)(1+t^\mu)/t^{\sigma-\alpha-l})x, ((1+t^\mu)/t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l})y)$ is continuous on $[0, +\infty) \times R^2$;
- (ii) for each $r > 0$, there exists a constant $M_r > 0$ such that $|x|, |y| \leq r$ implies that

$$\left| f \left(t, \frac{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)}{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}} x, \frac{1+t^\mu}{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}} y \right) \right| \leq M_r, \quad t \in [0, \infty). \tag{16}$$

Definition 7. $\{I_k\}$ is called a Caratheodory function sequence if it satisfies the following assumptions:

- (i) $x \rightarrow I_k(t_k, ((1+t_k)(1+t_k^\mu)/t_k^{\sigma-\alpha-l})x)$ is continuous on R for each $k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$;
- (ii) for each $r > 0$, there exist constants $M_{rk} > 0$ such that $|x| \leq r$ implies that

$$\left| I_k \left(t_k, \frac{(1+t_k)(1+t_k^\mu)}{t_k^{\sigma-\alpha-l}} x \right) \right| \leq M_{rk}, \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} M_{rk} < \infty. \tag{17}$$

If $b > a > 0$, then we have

$$\sup_{t \in (0, \infty)} \frac{t^a}{1+t^b} = \frac{1}{b} a^{a/b} (b-a)^{(b-a)/b} =: M_{a,b}. \tag{18}$$

Lemma 8. Suppose that f is a Caratheodory function and $\{I_k\}$ is a Caratheodory function sequence on X . Then $x \in X$ is a solution of

$$\begin{aligned} {}^c D_{0^+}^\alpha x(t) &= q(t) f(t, x(t), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(t)), \quad t \in (0, \infty), \\ x(0) &= x_0, \end{aligned} \tag{19}$$

$$\Delta x(t_k) = I_k(t_k, x(t_k)), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots,$$

if and only if $x \in X$ is a solution of the fractional integral equation

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= x_0 + \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) \\ &\quad \times f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s)) ds \\ &\quad + \sum_{j=1}^k I_j(t_j, x(t_j)), \quad t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}], \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots \end{aligned} \tag{20}$$

Proof. For $x \in X$ and $r > 0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \max \left\{ \sup_{t \in (0, \infty)} \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} |x(t)|, \sup_{t \in (0, \infty)} \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \left| {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(t) \right| \right\} &= r. \end{aligned} \tag{21}$$

Since f is a Caratheodory function and $\{I_k\}$ is a Caratheodory function sequence, therefore, there exist $M_r > 0$ and $M_{rk} > 0$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} &|f(t, x(t), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(t))| \\ &= \left| f \left(t, \frac{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)}{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}} x(t), \frac{1+t^\mu}{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}} {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(t) \right) \right| \\ &\leq M_r, \quad t \in [0, \infty), \\ &|I_k(t_k, x(t_k))| \\ &= \left| I_k \left(t_k, \frac{(1+t_k)(1+t_k^\mu)}{t_k^{\sigma-\alpha-l}} x(t_k) \right) \right| \\ &\leq M_{rk}, \quad k = 1, 2, 3, \dots, \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} M_{rk} < \infty. \end{aligned} \tag{22}$$

Let us assume that x satisfies (48). Then, by Lemma 3, the solution of (48) can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s)) ds + c_k, \\ &\quad t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}], \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots \end{aligned} \tag{23}$$

Observe that

$$\begin{aligned} &\left| \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s)) ds \right| \\ &\leq M_r \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} s^l ds \\ &= M_r t^{\alpha+l} \int_0^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} dw \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned} \tag{24}$$

From $x(0) = x_0$ and $\Delta y(t_k) = I_k(t_k, x(t_k))$, we get $c_0 = x_0$ and

$$\int_0^{t_k} \frac{(t_k - s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s)) ds + c_k - \left(\int_0^{t_k} \frac{(t_k - s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) \times f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s)) ds + c_{k-1} \right) = I_k(t_k, x(t_k)). \tag{25}$$

This implies that

$$c_k = c_{k-1} + I_k(t_k, x(t_k)) = x_0 + \sum_{j=1}^k I_j(t_j, x(t_j)), \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots \tag{26}$$

Thus, we have

$$x(t) = \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s)) ds + x_0 + \sum_{j=1}^k I_j(t_j, x(t_j)). \tag{27}$$

Hence, x satisfies (49). Next, we show that $x \in X$. Indeed

$${}^c D_{0^+}^p x(t) = \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} q(s) f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s)) ds. \tag{28}$$

It is easy to see that

$$x|_{(t_k, t_{k+1}]} \in C^0(t_k, t_{k+1}], \quad {}^c D_{0^+}^p x|_{(t_k, t_{k+1}]} \in C^0(t_k, t_{k+1}], \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots \tag{29}$$

Furthermore, for $t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}]$, we have

$$\frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} |x(t)| \leq \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \left| \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s)) ds + x_0 + \sum_{j=1}^k I_j(t_j, x(t_j)) \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \times \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} |q(s) f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s))| ds + \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} |x_0| + \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \sum_{j=1}^k |I_j(t_j, x(t_j))|$$

$$\leq \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} M_r s^l ds + M_{\sigma-\alpha-l, \mu} |x_0| + M_{\sigma-\alpha-l, \mu} \sum_{j=1}^k M_{rk} = \frac{M_r t^\sigma}{1+t} \int_0^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw + |x_0| + \sum_{j=1}^k M_{rk}$$

$$\leq M_r M_{\sigma, \mu} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} + M_{\sigma-\alpha-l, \mu} |x_0| + M_{\sigma-\alpha-l, \mu} \sum_{j=1}^\infty M_{rk} < \infty,$$

$$\frac{t^{\sigma+p-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} |{}^c D_{0^+}^p x(t)| = \frac{t^{\sigma+p-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \times \left| \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} q(s) f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s)) ds \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{t^{\sigma+p-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} M_r s^l ds = \frac{M_r t^\sigma}{1+t^\mu} \int_0^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} w^l dw \leq M_r M_{\sigma, \mu} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha-p, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} < \infty.$$

(30)

This implies that $x \in X$. Conversely, suppose that x satisfies (49). By a direct computation, it follows that the solution given by (49) satisfies the problem (48). This completes the proof. \square

Choose $\sigma > \max\{0, \alpha + l\}$ and $\mu > \max\{\sigma, \sigma - \alpha - l\}$ and define

$$Y = \left\{ x : [0, \infty) \rightarrow R : \left. \begin{aligned} &x|_{(t_k, t_{k+1}]} \in C^0(t_k, t_{k+1}], \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \\ &{}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x|_{(t_k, t_{k+1}]} \in C^0(t_k, t_{k+1}], \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \\ &\frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} x(t) \text{ is bounded on } (0, \infty) \\ &\left\{ \sup_{t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}]} \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} |{}^c D_{t_k^+} x(t)| : k = 0, 1, 2, \dots \right\} \text{ is bounded.} \end{aligned} \right\}. \quad (31)$$

For $x \in Y$, we define the norm on Y as

$$\|x\| = \max \left\{ \sup_{t \in (0, \infty)} \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} |x(t)|, \sup_{k=0,1,2,\dots} \left\{ \sup_{t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}]} \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} |{}^c D_{t_k^+} x(t)| \right\} \right\}. \quad (32)$$

It is easy to show that Y is a real Banach space.

Lemma 9. Suppose that f is a Caratheodory function and $\{I_k\}$ is a Caratheodory function sequence, $x \in Y$ and $\lambda_0 =: \inf_{k=0,1,2,\dots} (t_k - t_{k-1}) > 0$. Then $x \in Y$ is a solution of the problem

$$\begin{aligned} &{}^c D_*^\alpha y(t) = q(t) f(t, x(t), {}^c D_*^p x(t)), \quad t \in (0, \infty), \\ &y(0) = x_0, \\ &\Delta y(t_k) = I_k(t_k, x(t_k)), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

if and only if $x \in Y$ is a solution of the fractional integral equation

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= \int_{t_k}^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x(s)) ds \\ &+ x_0 + \sum_{j=1}^k I_j(t_j, x(t_j)) \\ &+ \sum_{j=1}^k \int_{t_{j-1}}^{t_j} \frac{(t_j-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{t_{j-1}^+}^p x(s)) ds, \\ &t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}], \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots \end{aligned} \quad (34)$$

Proof. For $x \in Y$, we have that there exists $r > 0$ such that

$$\max \left\{ \sup_{t \in (0, \infty)} \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} |x(t)|, \sup_{n=0,1,2,\dots} \sup_{t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}]} \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} |{}^c D_{t_k^+} x(t)| \right\} = r. \quad (35)$$

Since f is a Caratheodory function and $\{I_k\}$ is a Caratheodory function sequence, then there exist $M_r > 0$ and $M_{rk} > 0$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} &|f(t, x(t), {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x(t))| \\ &= \left| f\left(t, \frac{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)}{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}} \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} x(t), \frac{1+t^\mu}{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}} \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x(t)\right) \right| \\ &\leq M_r, \quad t \in [0, \infty), \\ &|I_k(t_k, x(t_k))| \\ &= \left| I_k\left(t_k, \frac{(1+t_k)(1+t_k^\mu)}{t_k^{\sigma-\alpha-l}} \frac{t_k^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t_k)(1+t_k^\mu)} x(t_k)\right) \right| \\ &\leq M_{rk}, \quad k = 1, 2, 3, \dots, \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} M_{rk} < \infty. \end{aligned} \quad (36)$$

Assume that x satisfies the problem (50). Then, in view of Lemma 3, we can write the solution of (50) as

$$x(t) = \int_{t_k}^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x(s)) ds + c_k, \quad t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}], \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots \quad (37)$$

From $x(0) = x_0$, we get $c_0 = x_0$. Since

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \int_{t_k}^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) f\left(s, x(s), {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x(s)\right) ds \right| \\ & \leq M_r \int_{t_k}^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} s^l ds \\ & = M_r t^{\alpha+l} \int_{t_k/t}^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \rightarrow 0 \\ & \text{as } t \rightarrow t_k^+, \quad k = 1, 2, 3, \dots \end{aligned} \tag{38}$$

and $\Delta y(t_k) = I_k(t_k, x(t_k))$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} c_k - \left(\int_{t_{k-1}}^{t_k} \frac{(t_k-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) f\left(s, x(s), {}^c D_{t_{k-1}^+}^p x(s)\right) ds \right. \\ \left. + c_{k-1} \right) = I_k(t_k, x(t_k)), \end{aligned} \tag{39}$$

which gives

$$\begin{aligned} c_k &= c_{k-1} + I_k(t_k, x(t_k)) \\ &+ \int_{t_{k-1}}^{t_k} \frac{(t_k-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) f\left(s, x(s), {}^c D_{t_{k-1}^+}^p x(s)\right) ds \\ &= x_0 + \sum_{j=1}^k I_j(t_j, x(t_j)) \\ &+ \sum_{j=1}^k \int_{t_{j-1}}^{t_j} \frac{(t_j-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) f\left(s, x(s), {}^c D_{t_{j-1}^+}^p x(s)\right) ds, \\ & \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots \end{aligned} \tag{40}$$

Hence the solution of the problem (50) is

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= \int_{t_k}^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) f\left(s, x(s), {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x(s)\right) ds \\ &+ x_0 + \sum_{j=1}^k I_j(t_j, x(t_j)) \\ &+ \sum_{j=1}^k \int_{t_{j-1}}^{t_j} \frac{(t_j-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) f\left(s, x(s), {}^c D_{t_{j-1}^+}^p x(s)\right) ds, \\ & \quad t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}], \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots \end{aligned} \tag{41}$$

Next, we need to show that $x \in Y$. Clearly,

$$\begin{aligned} {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x(t) &= \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} q(s) f\left(s, x(s), {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x(s)\right) ds, \\ & \quad x|_{(t_k, t_{k+1}]} \in C^0(t_k, t_{k+1}], \\ & \quad {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x|_{(t_k, t_{k+1}]} \in C^0(t_k, t_{k+1}], \\ & \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots \end{aligned} \tag{42}$$

Furthermore, for $t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}]$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} |x(t)| \\ &= \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\ & \times \left| \int_{t_k}^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) f\left(s, x(s), {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x(s)\right) ds \right. \\ & \quad \left. + x_0 + \sum_{j=1}^k I_j(t_j, x(t_j)) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \sum_{j=1}^k \int_{t_{j-1}}^{t_j} \frac{(t_j-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) \right. \\ & \quad \left. \times f\left(s, x(s), {}^c D_{t_{j-1}^+}^p x(s)\right) ds \right| \\ & \leq \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \int_{t_k}^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} M_r s^l ds \\ & \quad + M_{\sigma-\alpha-l, \mu} |x_0| + M_{\sigma-\alpha-l, \mu} \sum_{j=1}^k M_{rk} \\ & \quad + \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \sum_{j=1}^k \int_{t_{j-1}}^{t_j} \frac{(t_j-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} M_r s^l ds \\ & \leq M_r \frac{t^\sigma}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \int_{t_k/t}^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\ & \quad + M_{\sigma-\alpha-l, \mu} |x_0| + M_{\sigma-\alpha-l, \mu} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} M_{rk} \\ & \quad + \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} M_r \\ & \quad \times \sum_{j=1}^k t_j^{\alpha+l} \int_{t_{j-1}/t_j}^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\ & \leq M_r M_{\sigma, \mu} \int_0^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &+ M_{\sigma-\alpha-l,\mu} |x_0| + M_{\sigma-\alpha-l,\mu} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} M_{rk} \\
 &+ M_r \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l} t_j^{\alpha+l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\
 &\times \int_{t_{j-1}/t_j}^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\
 &\leq M_r M_{\sigma,\mu} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} + M_{\sigma-\alpha-l,\mu} |x_0| \\
 &+ M_{\sigma-\alpha-l,\mu} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} M_{rk} + M_r \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l} t_j^{\alpha+l}}{t^{\mu+1}} \\
 &\times \int_0^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\
 &\leq M_r M_{\sigma,\mu} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} + M_{\sigma-\alpha-l,\mu} |x_0| \\
 &+ M_{\sigma-\alpha-l,\mu} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} M_{rk} \\
 &+ M_r \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{t_j^{\alpha+l}}{t_j^{\mu+1-\sigma+\alpha+l}} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \\
 &\leq M_r M_{\sigma,\mu} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} + M_{\sigma-\alpha-l,\mu} |x_0| \\
 &+ M_{\sigma-\alpha-l,\mu} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} M_{rk} \\
 &+ M_r \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{t_j^{\mu+1-\sigma}} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{43}$$

Since $t_j - t_{j-1} \geq \lambda_0$ and $t_0 = 0$, we get $t_j \geq j\lambda_0$ for all $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} |x(t)| \\
 &\leq M_r M_{\sigma,\mu} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} + M_{\sigma-\alpha-l,\mu} |x_0| \\
 &+ M_{\sigma-\alpha-l,\mu} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} M_{rk} \\
 &+ M_r \frac{1}{\lambda_0^{\mu+1-\sigma}} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{j^{\mu+1-\sigma}}, \\
 &t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}], \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots
 \end{aligned} \tag{44}$$

So

$$\frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} |x(t)| \text{ is bounded on } (0, \infty). \tag{45}$$

Moreover, for $t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}]$, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \left| {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x(t) \right| \\
 &= \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \left| \int_{t_k}^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} q(s) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \times f\left(s, x(s), {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x(s)\right) ds \right| \\
 &\leq \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \int_{t_k}^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} M_r s^l ds \\
 &= \frac{M_r t^\sigma}{1+t^\mu} \int_{t_k/t}^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} w^l dw \\
 &\leq M_r M_{\sigma,\mu} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha-p, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} < \infty, \\
 &t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}], \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots
 \end{aligned} \tag{46}$$

So

$$\frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \left| {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p y(t) \right| \text{ is bounded on } (0, \infty). \tag{47}$$

Thus, $x \in Y$. Conversely, assume that x satisfies (51). Then, by direct computation, it follows that the solution given by (51) satisfies the problem (50). This completes the proof. \square

3. Existence Results for an IVP with a Single Base Point

In this section, we discuss the existence and uniqueness of solutions for the single base point IVP (6). The asymptotic behaviour of solutions of IVP (6) is also investigated.

In relation to the IVP (6), we define an operator $T : X \rightarrow X$ by

$$\begin{aligned}
 (Tx)(t) &= \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) \\
 &\quad \times f\left(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s)\right) ds + x_0 \\
 &\quad + \sum_{j=1}^k I_j\left(t_j, x(t_j)\right), \\
 &t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}], \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots
 \end{aligned} \tag{48}$$

Lemma 10. *Let f be a Caratheodory function and let $\{I_k\}$ be a Caratheodory function sequence. Then (i) $T : X \rightarrow X$ is well defined; (ii) the fixed point of the operator T coincides with the solution of IVP (6); (iii) $T : X \rightarrow X$ is completely continuous.*

Proof. (i) For $x \in X$, let

$$r = \max \left\{ \sup_{t \in (0, \infty)} \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-1}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} |x(t)|, \right. \\ \left. \sup_{t \in (0, \infty)} \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-1}}{1+t^\mu} \left| {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(t) \right| \right\} < +\infty. \tag{49}$$

Since f is a Caratheodory function, $\{I_k\}$ is Caratheodory function sequence; there exist positive numbers $M_r > 0$ and $M_{rk} > 0$ ($k = 1, 2, \dots$) such that

$$|f(t, x(t), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(t))| \leq M_r, \quad t \in [0, \infty), \tag{50}$$

$$|I_k(t_k, x(t_k))| \leq M_{rk}, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} M_{rk} < \infty. \tag{51}$$

It is easy to show that

$$Tx \in C^0(t_k, t_{k+1}], \quad {}^c D_{0^+}^p Tx \in C^0(t_k, t_{k+1}], \\ k = 0, 1, 2, \dots \tag{52}$$

As in the proof of Lemma 8, it can be shown that both $(t^{\sigma-\alpha-1}/(1+t)(1+t^\mu))(Tx)(t)$ and $(t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-1}/(1+t^\mu)) {}^c D_{0^+}^p (Tx)(t)$ are bounded on $(0, \infty)$.

Hence, $Tx \in X$ and consequently $T : X \rightarrow X$ is well defined.

(ii) It follows from Lemma 8 that the fixed point of the operator T coincides with the solution of IVP (6).

(iii) To establish that T is completely continuous, we show that (a) T is continuous, (b) T maps bounded sets of X to bounded sets, and (c) T maps bounded sets of X to relatively compact sets.

(a) In order to show that the operator T is continuous, let $x_n \in X$ with $x_n \rightarrow x_0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. We will prove that $Tx_n \rightarrow Tx_0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. It is easy to see that there exists $r > 0$ such that

$$\max \left\{ \sup_{t \in (0, \infty)} \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-1}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} |x_n(t)|, \right. \\ \left. \sup_{t \in (0, \infty)} \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-1}}{1+t^\mu} \left| {}^c D_{0^+}^p x_n(t) \right| \right\} \leq r < \infty, \tag{53}$$

$$n = 0, 1, 2, \dots,$$

$$\sup_{t \in (0, \infty)} \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-1}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} |x_n(t) - x_0(t)| \rightarrow 0 \\ \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty, \tag{54}$$

$$\sup_{t \in (0, \infty)} \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-1}}{1+t^\mu} \left| {}^c D_{0^+}^p x_n(t) - {}^c D_{0^+}^p x_0(t) \right| \rightarrow 0 \\ \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Since $f : [0, \infty) \times R^2 \rightarrow R$ is a Caratheodory function and $\{I_k\}$ is a Caratheodory function sequence, then there exist $M_r > 0$ and $M_{rk} > 0$ such that

$$|f(t, x_n(t), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x_n(t))| \leq M_r, \quad t \in [0, \infty),$$

$$|I_k(t_k, x_n(t_k))| \leq M_{rk}, \quad k = 1, 2, 3, \dots, \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} M_{rk} < \infty. \tag{55}$$

Notice that

$$(Tx_n)(t) = \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) \\ \times f(s, x_n(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x_n(s)) ds \\ + x_0 + \sum_{j=1}^k I_j(t_j, x_n(t_j)), \\ t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}], \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \tag{56}$$

$${}^c D_{0^+}^p (Tx_n)(t) = \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} q(s) \\ \times f(s, x_n(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x_n(s)) ds, \\ t \in (0, \infty) \setminus \{t_1, t_2, \dots\}.$$

From the inequality

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |I_j(t_j, x_n(t_j)) - I_j(t_j, x_0(t_j))| \leq 2 \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} M_{rk} < \infty, \tag{57}$$

it follows that there exists $N > 0$ for $\epsilon > 0$ such that

$$\sum_{j=N}^{\infty} |I_j(t_j, x_n(t_j)) - I_j(t_j, x_0(t_j))| < \epsilon. \tag{58}$$

Since $x \rightarrow I_k(t_k, ((1+t_k)(1+t_k^{-\alpha-1})/t_k^{-\alpha-1})x)$ ($k = 1, 2, \dots, N-1$) is uniformly continuous on $[-r, r]$, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that

$$\left| I_k \left(t_k, \frac{(1+t_k)(1+t_k^\mu)}{t_k^{\sigma-\alpha-1}} x_1 \right) \right. \\ \left. - I_k \left(t_k, \frac{(1+t_k)(1+t_k^\mu)}{t_k^{\sigma-\alpha-1}} x_2 \right) \right| < \frac{\epsilon}{N-1} \tag{59}$$

holds for all $x_1, x_2 \in [-r, r]$ with $|x_1 - x_2| < \delta$, $k = 1, 2, \dots, N-1$. From (54), there exists $N_1 > N$ such that

$$\frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-1}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} |x_n(t) - x_0(t)| < \delta, \\ t \in (0, \infty), \quad n > N_1, \tag{60}$$

$$\frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-1}}{1+t^\mu} \left| {}^c D_{0^+}^p x_n(t) - {}^c D_{0^+}^p x_0(t) \right| < \delta, \\ t \in (0, \infty), \quad n > N_1.$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \left| I_j(t_j, x_n(t_j)) - I_j(t_j, x_0(t_j)) \right| \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \left| I_j \left(t_j, \frac{(1+t_j)(1+t_j^\mu)}{t_j^{\sigma-\alpha-1}} \right. \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left. \times \frac{t_j^{\sigma-\alpha-1}}{(1+t_j)(1+t_j^\mu)} x_n(t_j) \right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - I_j \left(t_j, \frac{(1+t_j)(1+t_j^\mu)}{t_j^{\sigma-\alpha-1}} \right. \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left. \times \frac{t_j^{\sigma-\alpha-1}}{(1+t_j)(1+t_j^\mu)} x_0(t_j) \right) \right| \\ &< (N-1) \frac{\epsilon}{N-1} = \epsilon, \quad n > N_1. \end{aligned} \tag{61}$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-1}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\ & \times \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \left| q(s) f(s, x_n(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x_n(s)) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - q(s) f(s, x_0(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x_0(s)) \right| ds \\ & \leq 2M_r \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-1}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} s^l ds \\ & \leq 2M_r \frac{t^\sigma}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \int_0^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \rightarrow 0 \\ & \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty, \end{aligned} \tag{62}$$

therefore, we can find $L > 0$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-1}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\ & \times \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \\ & \times \left| q(s) f(s, x_n(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x_n(s)) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - q(s) f(s, x_0(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x_0(s)) \right| ds < \epsilon \end{aligned} \tag{63}$$

holds for all $t > L, n = 1, 2, \dots$

As f is a Caratheodory function, there exists $\delta_1 > 0$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| f \left(t, \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-1}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} u_1, \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-1}}{1+t^\mu} v_1 \right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - f \left(t, \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-1}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} u_2, \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-1}}{1+t^\mu} v_2 \right) \right| < \epsilon \end{aligned} \tag{64}$$

holds for all $t \in [0, L]$ and $u_1, u_2, v_1, v_2 \in [-r, r]$ with $|u_1 - u_2| < \delta_1, |v_1 - v_2| < \delta_1$. From (54), there exists $N_2 > N > N_1$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-1}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} |x_n(t) - x_0(t)| < \delta_1, \\ & t \in (0, \infty), \quad n > N_2, \\ & \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-1}}{1+t^\mu} \left| {}^c D_{0^+}^p x_n(t) - {}^c D_{0^+}^p x_0(t) \right| < \delta_1, \\ & t \in (0, \infty), \quad n > N_2. \end{aligned} \tag{65}$$

So, for $t \in [0, L]$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-1}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\ & \times \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \\ & \times \left| q(s) f(s, x_n(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x_n(s)) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - q(s) f(s, x_0(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x_0(s)) \right| ds \\ &= \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-1}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\ & \times \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \\ & \times \left| q(s) f \left(s, \frac{(1+s)(1+s^\mu)}{s^{\sigma-\alpha-1}} \right. \right. \\ & \quad \times \frac{s^{\sigma-\alpha-1}}{(1+s)(1+s^\mu)} x_n(s), \\ & \quad \frac{1+s^\mu}{s^{p+\sigma-\alpha-1}} \frac{s^{p+\sigma-\alpha-1}}{1+s^\mu} \\ & \quad \left. \left. \times {}^c D_{0^+}^p x_n(s) \right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - q(s) f \left(s, \frac{(1+s)(1+s^\mu)}{s^{\sigma-\alpha-1}} \right. \right. \\ & \quad \times \frac{s^{\sigma-\alpha-1}}{(1+s)(1+s^\mu)} x_0(s), \\ & \quad \frac{1+s^\mu}{s^{p+\sigma-\alpha-1}} \frac{s^{p+\sigma-\alpha-1}}{1+s^\mu} \\ & \quad \left. \left. \times {}^c D_{0^+}^p x_0(s) \right) \right| ds \\ & \leq \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-1}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} s^l \epsilon ds \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \epsilon \frac{t^\sigma}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \int_0^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^\mu dw \\
 &\leq M_{\sigma,\mu} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \epsilon, \quad n > N_2, \quad t \in [0, L].
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{66}$$

Consequently, for all $n > N_2, t \in [0, \infty)$, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\
 &\times \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \\
 &\times \left| q(s) f(s, x_n(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x_n(s)) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - q(s) f(s, x_0(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x_0(s)) \right| ds \\
 &< \epsilon + M_{\sigma,\mu} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \epsilon.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{67}$$

In particular, for $t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}]$, we find that

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} |(Tx_n)(t) - (Tx_0)(t)| \\
 &\leq \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\
 &\times \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \\
 &\times \left| f(s, x_n(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x_n(s)) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - f(s, x_0(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x_0(s)) \right| ds \\
 &+ \sum_{j=1}^k |I_j(t_j, x_n(t_j)) - I_j(t_j, x_0(t_j))| \\
 &\leq \epsilon + \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \epsilon \\
 &+ \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} |I_j(t_j, x_n(t_j)) - I_j(t_j, x_0(t_j))| \\
 &+ \sum_{j=N}^{\infty} |I_j(t_j, x_n(t_j)) - I_j(t_j, x_0(t_j))| \\
 &< 3\epsilon + M_{\sigma,\mu} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \epsilon, \quad n > N_2.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{68}$$

Thus, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\sup_{t \in (0, \infty)} \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\
 &\times |(Tx_n)(t) - (Tx_0)(t)| \longrightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \longrightarrow \infty.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{69}$$

Similarly, it can be shown that

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\sup_{t \in (0, \infty)} \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} |{}^c D_{0^+} (Tx_n)(t) - {}^c D_{0^+} (Tx_0)(t)| \longrightarrow 0 \\
 &\text{as } n \longrightarrow \infty.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{70}$$

From (69) and (70), we conclude that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Tx_n = Tx_0$. This implies that T is continuous.

(b) Let us recall that $\Omega \subset X$ is relatively compact if it is bounded, both $(t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}/(1+t)(1+t^\mu))\Omega$ and $(t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}/(1+t^\mu)) {}^c D_{0^+}^p \Omega$ are equicontinuous on any closed subinterval $[a, b]$ of (t_k, t_{k+1}) ($k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$) and equiconvergent at $t = t_k$ ($k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$), and $t = \infty$.

Let $W \subset X$ be a nonempty bounded set. To prove that T is completely continuous, we need to prove that TW is bounded, TW is equicontinuous on finite closed sub-interval on (t_k, t_{k+1}) ($k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$), TW is equiconvergent at $t = t_k$ ($k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$), and TW is equiconvergent at $t = \infty$.

Since W is bounded, therefore, (49), (50), and (51) hold for $x \in W$. Following the method of proof for Lemma 8, it can easily be shown that TW is bounded.

Next we show that TW is equicontinuous on finite closed sub-interval on (t_k, t_{k+1}) ($k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$).

For $[a, b] \subset (t_k, t_{k+1})$ with $s_1, s_2 \in [a, b]$ with $s_1 < s_2$ and $x \in W$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\left| \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} \right. \\
 &\times \int_0^{s_1} \frac{(s_1-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s)) ds \\
 &\left. - \frac{s_2^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_2)(1+s_2^\mu)} \right. \\
 &\times \int_0^{s_2} \frac{(s_2-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s)) ds \left. \right| \\
 &\leq \left| \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} - \frac{s_2^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_2)(1+s_2^\mu)} \right| \\
 &\times \int_0^{s_2} \frac{(s_2-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} |q(s) f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s))| ds \\
 &+ \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} \\
 &\times \int_{s_1}^{s_2} \frac{(s_2-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} |q(s) f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s))| ds \\
 &+ \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \times \int_0^{s_1} \frac{|(s_1 - s)^{\alpha-1} - (s_2 - s)^{\alpha-1}|}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \\ & \quad \times |q(s) f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s))| ds \\ \leq & \left| \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} - \frac{s_2^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_2)(1+s_2^\mu)} \right| \\ & \times M_r \int_0^{s_2} \frac{(s_2 - s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} s^l ds \\ & + \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} M_r \int_{s_1}^{s_2} \frac{(s_2 - s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} s^l ds \\ & + M_r \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} \\ & \times \int_0^{s_1} \frac{|(s_1 - s)^{\alpha-1} - (s_2 - s)^{\alpha-1}|}{\Gamma(\alpha)} s^l ds \\ = & \left| \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} - \frac{s_2^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_2)(1+s_2^\mu)} \right| \\ & \times s_2^{\alpha+l} M_r \int_0^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\ & + \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} M_r s_2^{\alpha+l} \\ & \times \int_{s_1/s_2}^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\ & + M_r \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} \\ & \times \int_0^{s_1} \frac{(s_1 - s)^{\alpha-1} - (s_2 - s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} s^l ds \\ \leq & \left| \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} - \frac{s_2^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_2)(1+s_2^\mu)} \right| \\ & \times s_2^{\alpha+l} M_r \int_0^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\ & + M_r \max \{a^{\alpha+l}, b^{\alpha+l}\} \int_{s_1/s_2}^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\ & + M_r \left[s_1^{\alpha+l} \int_0^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \right. \\ & \quad \left. - s_2^{\alpha+l} \int_0^{s_1/s_2} \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \right] \\ \leq & \left| \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} - \frac{s_2^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_2)(1+s_2^\mu)} \right| \\ & \times \max \{a^{\alpha+l}, b^{\alpha+l}\} M_r \int_0^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & + M_r \max \{a^{\alpha+l}, b^{\alpha+l}\} \int_{s_1/s_2}^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\ & + M_r |s_1^{\alpha+l} - s_2^{\alpha+l}| \int_0^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\ & + \max \{a^{\alpha+l}, b^{\alpha+l}\} \int_{s_1/s_2}^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\ \rightarrow & 0 \\ & \text{uniformly as } s_1 \rightarrow s_2 \text{ with } s_1, s_2 \in [a, b] \subset (t_k, t_{k+1}]. \end{aligned} \tag{71}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} (Tx)(s_1) - \frac{s_2^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_2)(1+s_2^\mu)} (Tx)(s_2) \right| \\ = & \left| \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} \int_0^{s_1} \frac{(s_1 - s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) \right. \\ & \quad \times f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s)) ds \\ & \quad - \frac{s_2^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_2)(1+s_2^\mu)} \int_0^{s_2} \frac{(s_2 - s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) \\ & \quad \left. \times f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s)) ds \right| \\ & + |x_0| \left| \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} - \frac{s_2^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_2)(1+s_2^\mu)} \right| \\ & + \left| \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} - \frac{s_2^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_2)(1+s_2^\mu)} \right| \\ & \times \sum_{j=1}^k |I_j(t_j, x(t_j))| \\ \leq & \left| \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} \int_0^{s_1} \frac{(s_1 - s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) \right. \\ & \quad \times f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s)) ds \\ & \quad - \frac{s_2^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_2)(1+s_2^\mu)} \int_0^{s_2} \frac{(s_2 - s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) \\ & \quad \left. \times f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s)) ds \right| \\ & + |x_0| \left| \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} - \frac{s_2^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_2)(1+s_2^\mu)} \right| \\ & + \left| \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} - \frac{s_2^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_2)(1+s_2^\mu)} \right| \sum_{j=1}^\infty M_{rk} \\ \rightarrow & 0 \\ & \text{uniformly as } s_1 \rightarrow s_2 \text{ with } s_1, s_2 \in [a, b] \subset (t_k, t_{k+1}]. \end{aligned} \tag{72}$$

Thus,

$$\left| \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} (Tx)(s_1) - \frac{s_2^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_2)(1+s_2^\mu)} (Tx)(s_2) \right| \rightarrow 0 \tag{73}$$

uniformly as $s_1 \rightarrow s_2$ with $s_1, s_2 \in [a, b] \subset (t_k, t_{k+1}]$. Similarly, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{s_1^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+s_1^\mu} {}^c D_{0^+}^p (Tx)(s_1) - \frac{s_2^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+s_2^\mu} {}^c D_{0^+}^p (Tx)(s_2) \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{s_1^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+s_1^\mu} \int_0^{s_1} \frac{(s_1-s)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} q(s) \right. \\ & \quad \times f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s)) ds \\ & \quad - \frac{s_2^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+s_2^\mu} \int_0^{s_2} \frac{(s_2-s)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} q(s) \\ & \quad \left. \times f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s)) ds \right| \tag{74} \\ & \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

uniformly as $s_1 \rightarrow s_2$ with $s_1, s_2 \in [a, b] \subset (t_k, t_{k+1}]$.

From (73) and (74), we conclude that TW is equicontinuous on finite closed interval on $(t_k, t_{k+1}]$.

Now we prove that TW is equiconvergent as $t \rightarrow t_k^+$ ($k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$). For $\mu > \sigma > 0$, we find that

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} |(Tx)(t) - x_0| \\ & \leq \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\ & \quad \times \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) \\ & \quad \times f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s)) ds \\ & \leq \frac{M_r t^\sigma}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \int_0^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\ & \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{uniformly in } W \text{ as } t \rightarrow 0, \\ & \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} |{}^c D_{0^+}^p (Tx)(t)| \\ & \leq \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \times \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} \\ & \quad \times |q(s) f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s))| ds \\ & \leq \frac{M_r t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} s^l ds \\ & = \frac{M_r t^\sigma}{1+t^\mu} \int_0^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} w^l dw \\ & \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{uniformly in } W \text{ as } t \rightarrow 0. \tag{75} \end{aligned}$$

It follows that

$$\frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} |{}^c D_{0^+}^p (Tx)(t)| \rightarrow 0 \tag{76}$$

uniformly in W as $t \rightarrow 0$.

From (75), it follows that TW is equiconvergent as $t \rightarrow 0^+$.

For $t \rightarrow t_k^+$ ($t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}], k = 1, 2, \dots$), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\ & \times \left| (Tx)(t) \left(\int_0^{t_k} \frac{(t_k-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) \right. \right. \\ & \quad \times f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s)) ds \\ & \quad \left. \left. + x_0 + \sum_{j=1}^k I_j(t_j, x(t_j)) \right) \right| \\ & \leq \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\ & \quad \times \left| \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s)) ds \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \int_0^{t_k} \frac{(t_k-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s)) ds \right| \\ & \leq \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\ & \quad \times \int_{t_k}^t \frac{(t_k-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} |q(s) f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s))| ds \\ & \quad + \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\ & \quad \times \int_0^{t_k} \frac{|(t_k-s)^{\alpha-1} - (t-s)^{\alpha-1}|}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \\ & \quad \times |q(s) f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s))| ds \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\leq M_r \frac{t^\sigma}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\
 &\quad \times \int_{t_k/t}^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\
 &\quad + M_r \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\
 &\quad \times \left[t_k^{\alpha+l} \int_0^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \right. \\
 &\quad \quad \left. - \int_0^{t_k/t} \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \right] \\
 &\rightarrow 0 \text{ uniformly in } W \text{ as } t \rightarrow t_k^+, \\
 &\frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \left| {}^c D_{0^+} (Tx)(t) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \int_0^{t_k} \frac{(t_k-s)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} q(s) \right. \\
 &\quad \quad \left. \times f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s)) ds \right| \\
 &\leq \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \int_{t_k}^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} \\
 &\quad \times |q(s) f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s))| ds \\
 &\quad + \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \\
 &\quad \times \int_0^{t_k} \frac{|(t_k-s)^{\alpha-p-1} - (t-s)^{\alpha-p-1}|}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} \\
 &\quad \quad \times |q(s) f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s))| ds \\
 &\leq M_r \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \int_{t_k}^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} s^l ds \\
 &\quad + M_r \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \\
 &\quad \times \int_0^{t_k} \frac{|(t_k-s)^{\alpha-p-1} - (t-s)^{\alpha-p-1}|}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} s^l ds \\
 &\leq M_r M_{\sigma,\mu} \int_{t_k/t}^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} w^l dw \\
 &\quad + M_r \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \\
 &\quad \times \left[t_k^{\alpha-p+l} \int_0^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} w^l dw \right. \\
 &\quad \quad \left. - t^{\alpha-p+l} \int_0^{t_k/t} \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} w^l dw \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\leq M_r M_{\sigma,\mu} \int_{t_k/t}^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} w^l dw \\
 &\quad + M_r \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \\
 &\quad \times \left[(t_k^{\alpha-p+l} - t^{\alpha-p+l}) \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha-p, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} \right. \\
 &\quad \quad \left. + t^{\alpha-p+l} \int_{t_k/t}^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} w^l dw \right] \\
 &\leq M_r M_{\sigma,\mu} \int_{t_k/t}^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} w^l dw \\
 &\quad + M_r M_{p+\sigma-\alpha-l,\mu} \\
 &\quad \times \left[(t_k^{\alpha-p+l} - t^{\alpha-p+l}) \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha-p, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} \right. \\
 &\quad \quad \left. + \max\{t_k^{\alpha-p+l}, t_{k+1}^{\alpha-p+l}\} \int_{t_k/t}^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} w^l dw \right] \\
 &\rightarrow 0 \text{ uniformly in } W \text{ as } t \rightarrow t_k^+,
 \end{aligned} \tag{77}$$

which imply that TW is equiconvergent as $t \rightarrow t_k^+$ ($k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$).

Our next task is to show that TW is equiconvergent as $t \rightarrow \infty$. Observe that

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\
 &\quad \times \left| (Tx)(t) - \left(x_0 + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} I_j(t_j, x(t_j)) \right) \right| \\
 &\leq \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\
 &\quad \times \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s)) ds \\
 &\leq M_r \frac{t^\sigma}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \int_0^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\
 &\rightarrow 0 \text{ uniformly in } \Omega_1 \text{ as } t \rightarrow \infty, \\
 &\frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \left| {}^c D_{0^+}^p (Tx)(t) \right| \\
 &\leq \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} M_r s^l ds \\
 &\rightarrow 0 \text{ uniformly in } W \text{ as } t \rightarrow \infty.
 \end{aligned} \tag{78}$$

Hence, TW is equiconvergent as $t \rightarrow \infty$.

From the above steps, it follows that T is completely continuous. This completes the proof. \square

In the sequel, we need the following assumption:

(H₁) f is a Caratheodory function such that

$$\left| f \left(t, \frac{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)}{t^{\sigma-\alpha-1}} u_1, \frac{1+t^\mu}{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-1}} u_2 \right) - C \right| \leq \sum_{i=1}^m A_i |u_1|^{\delta_i} + \sum_{i=1}^m B_i |u_2|^{\delta_i}, \tag{79}$$

where $0 < \delta_1 < \delta_2 < \dots < \delta_m$ and A_i, B_i ($i = 1, 2, \dots, m$), $C \geq 0$ are real numbers;

(H₂) $\{I_k\}$ ($k = 1, 2, \dots$) is a Caratheodory sequence and there exist numbers $A_{ki} \geq 0$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots, m$), $D_k \geq 0$ ($k = 1, 2, \dots$), $\delta_i \geq 0$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots, m$) such that

$$\left| I_k \left(t_k, \frac{(1+t_k)(1+t_k^\mu)}{t_k^{\sigma-\alpha-1}} u \right) - D_k \right| \leq \sum_{i=1}^m A_{ki} |u|^{\delta_i}, \tag{80}$$

$k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ holds $\forall t \in (0, \infty)$, $u \in R$.

Furthermore, we set

$$M_0 = \max \{M_1, M_2\}, \tag{81}$$

where

$$M_1 = \sum_{i=1}^m \left[M_{\sigma,\mu} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} [A_i + B_i] + M_{\sigma-\alpha-l,\mu} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} A_{ji} \right] \|\Psi\|^{\delta_i - \delta_m}, \tag{82}$$

$$M_2 = M_{\sigma,\mu} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha - p, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha - p)} \sum_{i=1}^m [A_i + B_i]. \tag{83}$$

Theorem 11. Suppose that (H₁) and (H₂) hold. Then IVP (6) has at least one solution $x \in X$ if

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_m < 1 \quad \text{or} \quad \delta_m = 1 \quad \text{with} \quad M_0 < 1 \quad \text{or} \\ \delta_m > 1 \quad \text{with} \quad \frac{\|\Psi\|^{1-\delta_m} (\delta_m - 1)^{\delta_m - 1}}{\delta_m^{\delta_m}} \geq M_0. \end{aligned} \tag{84}$$

Proof. Let X be the Banach space as defined in Section 2 and let $T : X \rightarrow X$ be an operator given by (98). In view of Lemma 8, it follows from the assumptions (H₁) and (H₂) that T is well defined and is completely continuous. Thus, we seek solutions of IVP (6) by finding fixed points of T in X .

Let us introduce

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi(t) = C \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) ds + x_0 \\ + \sum_{j=1}^k D_j, \quad t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}], \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots \end{aligned} \tag{85}$$

It is easy to show that $\Psi \in X$. For $r > 0$, we define $\bar{\Omega}_r = \{x \in X : \|x - \Psi\| \leq r\}$. Then, for $x \in \bar{\Omega}_r$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|x\| = \max \left\{ \sup_{t \in (0, \infty)} \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-1}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} |x(t)|, \right. \\ \left. \sup_{t \in (0, \infty)} \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-1}}{1+t^\mu} \left| {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(t) \right| \right\} \\ \leq \|x - \Psi\| + \|\Psi\| \leq r + \|\Psi\|. \end{aligned} \tag{86}$$

Using the assumptions (H₁) and (H₂), we find that

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-1}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} |(Tx)(t) - \Psi(t)| \\ & \leq \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-1}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\ & \quad \times \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} |q(s)| \\ & \quad \times |f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s)) - C| ds \\ & \quad + \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-1}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \sum_{j=1}^k |I_j(t_j, x(t_j)) - D_j| \\ & \leq \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-1}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\ & \quad \times \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} s^l \\ & \quad \times \left[\sum_{i=1}^m A_i \left| \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-1}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} x(s) \right|^{\delta_i} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \sum_{i=1}^m B_i \left| \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-1}}{1+t^\mu} {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s) \right|^{\delta_i} \right] ds \\ & \quad + \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-1}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\ & \quad \times \sum_{j=1}^k \sum_{i=1}^m A_{ji} \left| \frac{t_j^{\sigma-\alpha-1}}{(1+t_j)(1+t_j^\mu)} x(t_j) \right|^{\delta_i} \\ & \leq \frac{t^\sigma}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\ & \quad \times \int_0^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l \\ & \quad \times \left[\sum_{i=1}^m A_i \|x\|^{\delta_i} + \sum_{i=1}^m B_i \|x\|^{\delta_i} \right] dw \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + M_{\sigma-\alpha-l} \sum_{j=1}^k \sum_{i=1}^m A_{ji} \|x\|^{\delta_i} \\
 \leq & M_{\sigma,\mu} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \sum_{i=1}^m [A_i + B_i] \|x\|^{\delta_i} \\
 & + M_{\sigma-\alpha-l} \sum_{j=1}^k \sum_{i=1}^m A_{ji} \|x\|^{\delta_i} \\
 = & \sum_{i=1}^m \left[M_{\sigma,\mu} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} [A_i + B_i] \right. \\
 & \left. + M_{\sigma-\alpha-l} \sum_{j=1}^k A_{ji} \right] \|x\|^{\delta_i} \\
 \leq & [r + \|\Psi\|]^{\delta_m} \sum_{i=1}^m \left[M_{\sigma,\mu} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} [A_i + B_i] \right. \\
 & \left. + M_{\sigma-\alpha-l} \sum_{j=1}^k A_{ji} \right] \\
 & \times [r + \|\Psi\|]^{\delta_i - \delta_m} \\
 \leq & [r + \|\Psi\|]^{\delta_m} \\
 & \times \sum_{i=1}^m \left[M_{\sigma,\mu} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} [A_i + B_i] \right. \\
 & \left. + M_{\sigma-\alpha-l,\mu} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} A_{ji} \right] \|\Psi\|^{\delta_i - \delta_m} \\
 \leq & M_1 [r + \|\Psi\|]^{\delta_m}, \\
 \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} & \left| {}^c D_{0^+}^p (Tx)(t) - {}^c D_{0^+}^p \Psi(t) \right| \\
 \leq & \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} |q(s)| \\
 & \times |f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s)) - C| ds \\
 \leq & \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \\
 & \times \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} s^l \\
 & \times \left[\sum_{i=1}^m A_i \left| \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} x(s) \right|^{\delta_i} \right. \\
 & \left. + \sum_{i=1}^m B_i \left| \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s) \right|^{\delta_i} \right] ds \\
 \leq & \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \\
 & \times \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} s^l \\
 & \times \left[\sum_{i=1}^m A_i \|x\|^{\delta_i} + \sum_{i=1}^m B_i \|x\|^{\delta_i} \right] ds \\
 \leq & M_{\sigma,\mu} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha-p, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} \sum_{i=1}^m [A_i + B_i] \|x\|^{\delta_i} \\
 \leq & M_{\sigma,\mu} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha-p, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} \\
 & \times \sum_{i=1}^m [A_i + B_i] [r + \|\Psi\|]^{\delta_i} \\
 \leq & [r + \|\Psi\|]^{\delta_m} M_2.
 \end{aligned} \tag{87}$$

Thus, by (81), it follows that

$$\|Tx - \Psi\| \leq [r + \|\Psi\|]^{\delta_m} M_0. \tag{88}$$

Next, we have the following cases.

(i) For $\delta_m < 1$, we can choose $r_0 > 0$ sufficiently large such that $[r_0 + \|\Psi\|]^{\delta_m} M_0 < r_0$. Let $\Omega_{r_0} = \{x \in X : \|x\| < r_0\}$. It is easy to see that $T\overline{\Omega}_{r_0} \subset \overline{\Omega}_{r_0}$. Then, by Schauder's fixed point theorem, the operator T has a fixed point $x \in \overline{\Omega}_{r_0}$, which is a bounded solution of IVP (6).

(ii) In case $\delta_m = 1$, we choose

$$r_0 \geq \frac{\|\Psi\| M_0}{1 - M_0}. \tag{89}$$

Let $\Omega_{r_0} = \{x \in X : \|x\| < r_0\}$. Then it can easily be shown that $T\overline{\Omega}_{r_0} \subset \overline{\Omega}_{r_0}$. Thus, Schauder's fixed point theorem applies and the operator T has a fixed point $x \in \overline{\Omega}_{r_0}$, which is a bounded solution of IVP (6).

(iii) For $\delta_m > 1$, we choose $r = r_0 = \|\Psi\|/(\delta_m - 1)$ such that

$$\frac{r_0}{(r_0 + \|\Psi\|)^{\delta_m}} = \frac{\|\Psi\|^{1-\delta_m} (\delta_m - 1)^{\delta_m - 1}}{\delta_m^{\delta_m}} \geq M_0. \tag{90}$$

Let $\Omega_{r_0} = \{x \in X : \|x\| < r_0\}$. As before, it is easy to show that $T\overline{\Omega}_{r_0} \subset \overline{\Omega}_{r_0}$. Then, it follows from Schauder's fixed point theorem that T has a fixed point $x \in \overline{\Omega}_{r_0}$, which corresponds to a solution of IVP (6). This completes the proof. \square

Theorem 12. Suppose that (H_1) and (H_2) hold with $\delta_m = 1$. Then IVP (6) has a unique solution $x \in X$ if $M_0 < 1$.

Proof. By Theorem 11, IVP (6) has at least one solution. Let x_1 and x_2 be two different solutions of IVP (6). Then $\|x_1 - x_2\| > 0$, $Tx_1 = x_1$, and $Tx_2 = x_2$. Employing the method used in the proof of Theorem 11, we find that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} |(Tx_1)(t) - (Tx_2)(t)| &\leq M_1 \|x_1 - x_2\|, \\ \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} |{}^c D_{0^+}^p (Tx_1)(t) - {}^c D_{0^+}^p (Tx_2)(t)| &\leq M_2 \|x_1 - x_2\|. \end{aligned} \tag{91}$$

Thus, $\|Tx_1 - Tx_2\| \leq M_0 \|x_1 - x_2\|$. On the other hand, by (51), we get

$$0 < \|x_1 - x_2\| = \|Tx_1 - Tx_2\| \leq M_0 \|x_1 - x_2\| < \|x_1 - x_2\|, \tag{92}$$

which is a contradiction. Hence, IVP (6) has a unique solution $x \in X$ if $M_0 < 1$. This completes the proof. \square

Next, consider the following IVP:

$$\begin{aligned} {}^c D_{0^+}^\alpha x(t) &= q(t) f(t, x(t), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(t)), \quad t \in (0, \infty), \\ x(0) &= x_0, \end{aligned} \tag{93}$$

$$\Delta x(t_k) = I_k(t_k, x(t_k)), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots,$$

where x_0, a_k ($k = 1, 2, \dots$) are constants, $\sum_{k=1}^\infty |a_k|$ is convergent, and f is a Caratheodory function; there exists $l \in (-1, -\alpha)$ such that $|q(t)| \leq t^l$ for all $t \in (0, \infty)$.

Theorem 13. Assume that the conditions (H_1) and (H_2) hold. Then every solution of (93) tends to $x_0 + \sum_{k=1}^\infty a_k$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$ provided that (84) is satisfied.

Proof. By Theorem 11, there exist solutions for IVP (93) satisfying the integral equation

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s)) ds \\ &+ x_0 + \sum_{j=1}^k a_j, \quad t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}], \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots \end{aligned} \tag{94}$$

Clearly,

$$\begin{aligned} \max \left\{ \sup_{t \in (0, \infty)} \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} |x(t)|, \right. \\ \left. \sup_{t \in (0, \infty)} \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} |{}^c D_{0^+}^p x(t)| \right\} \leq r < \infty. \end{aligned} \tag{95}$$

Since f is a Caratheodory function by (H_1) , therefore, there exists $M_r > 0$ such that

$$|f(t, x(t), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(t))| \leq M_r, \quad t \in [0, \infty). \tag{96}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} &\left| x(t) - \left(x_0 + \sum_{j=1}^\infty a_j \right) \right| \\ &= \left| \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) \right. \\ &\quad \left. \times f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s)) ds + \sum_{j=k+1}^\infty a_j \right| \\ &\leq M_r \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} s^l ds + \sum_{j=k+1}^\infty |a_j| \\ &= M_r t^{\alpha+l} \int_0^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\ &\quad + \sum_{j=k+1}^\infty |a_j| \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned} \tag{97}$$

This completes the proof. \square

4. Existence of Solutions for an IVP with Multiple Base Points

In this section, we show the existence for solutions for IVP (7) with multiple base points. Let us introduce an operator T_m on Y as

$$\begin{aligned} (T_m x)(t) &= \int_{t_k}^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x(s)) ds \\ &+ x_0 + \sum_{j=1}^k I_j(t_j, x(t_j)) \\ &+ \sum_{j=1}^k \int_{t_{j-1}}^{t_j} \frac{(t_j-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) \\ &\quad \times f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{t_{j-1}^+}^p x(s)) ds, \\ &t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}], \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots \end{aligned} \tag{98}$$

Lemma 14. Suppose that f is a Caratheodory function and $\{I_k\}$ is a Caratheodory function sequence and $\lambda_0 := \inf_{k=1,2,3,\dots} (t_k - t_{k-1}) > 0$. Then

- (i) $T_m : Y \rightarrow Y$ is well defined;
- (ii) the fixed point of the operator T_m coincides with the solution of IVP (7);
- (iii) $T_m : Y \rightarrow Y$ is completely continuous.

Proof. (i) For $x \in Y$, we set

$$r = \max \left\{ \sup_{t \in (0, \infty)} \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} |x(t)|, \right. \\ \left. \sup_{k=0,1,2,\dots} \sup_{t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}]} \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \left| {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x(t) \right| \right\} < +\infty. \tag{99}$$

Since f is a Caratheodory function, $\{I_k\}$ is Caratheodory function sequence; there exist positive numbers $\widetilde{M}_r > 0$ and $M_{rk} > 0$ ($k = 1, 2, \dots$) such that

$$\left| f \left(t, x(t), {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x(t) \right) \right| \leq \widetilde{M}_r, \quad t \in [0, \infty), \\ \left| I_k(t_k, x(t_k)) \right| \leq M_{rk}, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} M_{rk} < \infty. \tag{100}$$

It is easy to show that

$$T_m x|_{(t_k, t_{k+1}]} \in C^0(t_k, t_{k+1}], \\ {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p T_m x|_{(t_k, t_{k+1}]} \in C^0(t_k, t_{k+1}], \tag{101}$$

$$k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

As in Lemma 9, we can show that

$$\frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} (T_m x)(t) \text{ is bounded,} \\ \left\{ \sup_{t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}]} \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p (T_m x)(t) \right\}_{k=0}^{\infty} \text{ is bounded.} \tag{102}$$

Hence, $T_m x \in Y$. This implies that $T_m : Y \rightarrow Y$ is well defined.

(ii) It follows from Lemma 9 that the fixed point of the operator T_m coincides with the solution of IVP (7).

(iii) To show that T_m is completely continuous, we split the proof into several steps.

Step 1. T_m is continuous.

Let $x_n \in Y$ with $x_n \rightarrow x_0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. We will prove that $T_m x_n \rightarrow T_m x_0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. It is easy to see that there exists $r > 0$ such that

$$\max \left\{ \sup_{t \in (0, \infty)} \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} |x_n(t)|, \right. \\ \left. \sup_{k=0,1,2,\dots} \sup_{t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}]} \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \left| {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x_n(t) \right| \right\} \leq r < \infty, \\ n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \tag{103}$$

$$\sup_{t \in (0, \infty)} \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} |x_n(t) - x_0(t)| \rightarrow 0 \\ \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty, \tag{104}$$

$$\sup_{k=0,1,2,\dots} \sup_{t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}]} \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \left| {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x_n(t) - {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x_0(t) \right| \rightarrow 0 \\ \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

As in the proof of Lemma 10,

$$\sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \left| I_j(t_j, x_n(t_j)) - I_j(t_j, x_0(t_j)) \right| < \epsilon, \quad n > N_1. \tag{105}$$

From $\lambda_0 = \inf_{k=1,2,\dots} (t_k - t_{k-1}) > 0$, we get $t_k > k\lambda_0$ for all $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

Since $\sum_{j=K+1}^{\infty} (1/j^{\mu+1-\sigma})$ is convergent, there exists $K > 0$ such that

$$\sum_{j=K+1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{j^{\mu+1-\sigma}} < \epsilon. \tag{106}$$

Then

$$\frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\ \times \int_{t_k}^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \\ \times \left| q(s) f \left(s, x_n(s), {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x_n(s) \right) \right. \\ \left. - q(s) f \left(s, x_0(s), {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x_0(s) \right) \right| ds \\ + \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\ \times \sum_{j=K+1}^k \int_{t_{j-1}}^{t_j} \frac{(t_j-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \\ \times \left| q(s) f \left(s, x_n(s), {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x_n(s) \right) \right. \\ \left. - q(s) f \left(s, x_0(s), {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x_0(s) \right) \right| ds \\ \leq 2\widetilde{M}_r \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \int_{t_k}^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} s^l ds \\ + 2M_r \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\ \times \sum_{j=K+1}^k \int_{t_{j-1}}^{t_j} \frac{(t_j-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} s^l ds \\ \leq 2\widetilde{M}_r \frac{1}{t^{\mu+1-\sigma}} \int_{t_k/t}^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &+ 2\widetilde{M}_r \frac{1}{t^{\mu+1-\sigma+\alpha+l}} \\
 &\times \sum_{j=K+1}^k t_j^{\alpha+l} \int_{t_{j-1}/t_j}^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\
 &\leq 2\widetilde{M}_r \frac{1}{t_k^{\mu+1-\sigma}} \int_0^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\
 &+ 2\widetilde{M}_r \sum_{j=K+1}^k \frac{1}{t_j^{\mu+1-\sigma+\alpha+l}} t_j^{\alpha+l} \\
 &\times \int_0^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\
 &\leq 4\widetilde{M}_r \sum_{j=K+1}^k \frac{1}{t_j^{\mu+1-\sigma}} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \\
 &= 4\widetilde{M}_r \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \sum_{j=K+1}^k \frac{1}{t_j^{\mu+1-\sigma}} \\
 &\leq 4\widetilde{M}_r \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \sum_{j=K+1}^k \frac{1}{(j\lambda_0)^{\mu+1-\sigma}} \\
 &= 4\widetilde{M}_r \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \frac{1}{\lambda_0^{\mu+1-\sigma}} \sum_{j=K+1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{j^{\mu+1-\sigma}} \\
 &\leq 4\widetilde{M}_r \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \frac{1}{\lambda_0^{\mu+1-\sigma}} \epsilon.
 \end{aligned} \tag{107}$$

Since f is a Caratheodory function, there exists $\delta_1 > 0$ such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\left| f\left(t, \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} u_1, \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} v_1\right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - f\left(t, \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} u_2, \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} v_2\right) \right| \\
 &< \frac{\epsilon}{\sum_{j=1}^K (1/t_j^{\mu+1-\sigma})}
 \end{aligned} \tag{108}$$

holds for all $t \in [0, t_{K+1}]$ and $u_1, u_2 \in [-r, r]$ with $|u_1 - u_2| < \delta_1$, $|v_1 - v_2| < \delta_1$. From (104), there exists $N_2 > N_1$ such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} |x_n(t) - x_0(t)| < \delta_1, \\
 &t \in (0, \infty), \quad n > N_2, \\
 &\frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \left| {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x_n(t) - {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x_0(t) \right| < \delta_1, \\
 &t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}], \quad n > N_2.
 \end{aligned} \tag{109}$$

So, for $t \in [t_k, t_{k+1}]$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\
 &\times \sum_{j=1}^K \int_{t_{j-1}}^{t_j} \frac{(t_j-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \\
 &\quad \times \left| q(s) f\left(s, x_n(s), {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x_n(s)\right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - q(s) f\left(s, x_0(s), {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x_0(s)\right) \right| ds \\
 &\leq \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\
 &\times \sum_{j=1}^K \int_{t_{j-1}}^{t_j} \frac{(t_j-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \\
 &\quad \times s^l \frac{\epsilon}{\sum_{j=1}^K (1/t_j^{\mu+1-\sigma})} ds \\
 &\leq \frac{\epsilon}{\sum_{j=1}^K (1/t_j^{\mu+1-\sigma})} \frac{1}{t^{\mu+1-\sigma+\alpha+l}} \\
 &\times \sum_{j=1}^K t_j^{\alpha+l} \int_{t_{j-1}/t_j}^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\
 &\leq \frac{\epsilon}{\sum_{j=1}^K (1/t_j^{\mu+1-\sigma})} \\
 &\times \sum_{j=1}^K \frac{1}{t_j^{\mu+1-\sigma}} \int_0^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\
 &\leq \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \epsilon, \quad n > N_2.
 \end{aligned} \tag{110}$$

Thus, for $t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}]$ ($k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$) with $n > N_2$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \left| (T_m x_n)(t) - (T_m x_0)(t) \right| \\
 &\leq \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\
 &\times \int_{t_k}^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \\
 &\quad \times \left| f\left(s, x_n(s), {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x_n(s)\right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - f\left(s, x_0(s), {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x_0(s)\right) \right| ds
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |I_j(t_j, x_n(t_j)) - I_j(t_j, x_0(t_j))| \\
 & + \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\
 & \times \sum_{j=1}^k \int_{t_{j-1}}^{t_j} \frac{(t_j-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} |q(s)| \\
 & \times \left| f\left(s, x_n(s), {}^cD_{t_{j-1}^+}^p x_n(s)\right) \right. \\
 & \quad \left. - f\left(s, x_0(s), {}^cD_{t_{j-1}^+}^p x_0(s)\right) \right| ds \\
 & \leq 3\epsilon + 4M_r \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \frac{1}{\lambda_0^{\mu+1-\sigma}} \epsilon \\
 & + \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \epsilon, \quad n > N_2.
 \end{aligned} \tag{111}$$

In consequence,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sup_{k=0,1,2,\dots} \sup_{t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}]} \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\
 & \times |(T_m x_n)(t) - (T_m x_0)(t)| \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.
 \end{aligned} \tag{112}$$

Similarly, we can show that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sup_{k=0,1,2,\dots} \sup_{t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}]} \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \\
 & \times \left| {}^cD_{t_k^+} (T_m x_n)(t) - {}^cD_{t_k^+} (T_m x_0)(t) \right| \rightarrow 0 \\
 & \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.
 \end{aligned} \tag{113}$$

From (112) and (113), it follows that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_m x_n = T_m x_0$ which implies that T_m is continuous.

Let $W \subset X$ be a nonempty bounded set. To prove that T_m is completely continuous, we need to prove that $T_m W$ is bounded, $T_m W$ is equicontinuous on finite closed sub-interval on $(t_k, t_{k+1}]$ ($k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$), $T_m W$ is equiconvergent at $t = t_k$ ($k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$), and $T_m W$ is equiconvergent at $t = \infty$.

Step 2. As in the proof of Lemma 10, it is easy to show that $T_m W$ is bounded.

Step 3. We prove that $T_m W$ is equicontinuous on finite closed sub-interval on $(t_k, t_{k+1}]$ ($k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$). For $[a, b] \subset (t_k, t_{k+1}]$ with $s_1, s_2 \in [a, b]$ with $s_1 < s_2$ and $x \in W$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left| \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} \right. \\
 & \times \int_{t_k}^{s_1} \frac{(s_1-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) \\
 & \quad \left. \times f\left(s, x(s), {}^cD_{t_k^+}^p x(s)\right) ds \right.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - \frac{s_2^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_2)(1+s_2^\mu)} \\
 & \times \int_{t_k}^{s_2} \frac{(s_2-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) \\
 & \quad \times f\left(s, x(s), {}^cD_{t_k^+}^p x(s)\right) ds \Big| \\
 & \leq \left| \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} - \frac{s_2^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_2)(1+s_2^\mu)} \right| \\
 & \times \int_{t_k}^{s_2} \frac{(s_2-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \\
 & \quad \times |q(s) f\left(s, x(s), {}^cD_{t_k^+}^p x(s)\right)| ds \\
 & + \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} \\
 & \times \int_{s_1}^{s_2} \frac{(s_2-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \\
 & \quad \times |q(s) f\left(s, x(s), {}^cD_{t_k^+}^p x(s)\right)| ds \\
 & + \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} \\
 & \times \int_{t_k}^{s_1} \frac{|(s_1-s)^{\alpha-1} - (s_2-s)^{\alpha-1}|}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \\
 & \quad \times |q(s) f\left(s, x(s), {}^cD_{t_k^+}^p x(s)\right)| ds \\
 & \leq \left| \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} - \frac{s_2^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_2)(1+s_2^\mu)} \right| \\
 & \times \widetilde{M}_r \int_{t_k}^{s_2} \frac{(s_2-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} s^l ds \\
 & + \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} \widetilde{M}_r \int_{s_1}^{s_2} \frac{(s_2-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} s^l ds \\
 & + \widetilde{M}_r \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} \\
 & \times \int_{t_k}^{s_1} \frac{|(s_1-s)^{\alpha-1} - (s_2-s)^{\alpha-1}|}{\Gamma(\alpha)} s^l ds \\
 & = \left| \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} - \frac{s_2^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_2)(1+s_2^\mu)} \right| s_2^{\alpha+l} \\
 & \times \widetilde{M}_r \int_0^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} \widetilde{M}_r s_2^{\alpha+l} \int_{s_1/s_2}^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\
 & + \widetilde{M}_r \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} \\
 & \times \int_{t_k}^{s_1} \frac{(s_1-s)^{\alpha-1} - (s_2-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} s^l ds \\
 \leq & \left| \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} - \frac{s_2^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_2)(1+s_2^\mu)} \right| \\
 & \times s_2^{\alpha+l} \widetilde{M}_r \int_0^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\
 & + \widetilde{M}_r \max\{a^{\alpha+l}, b^{\alpha+l}\} \int_{s_1/s_2}^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\
 & + \widetilde{M}_r \left[s_1^{\alpha+l} \int_0^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \right. \\
 & \quad \left. - s_2^{\alpha+l} \int_0^{s_1/s_2} \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \right] \\
 \leq & \left| \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} - \frac{s_2^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_2)(1+s_2^\mu)} \right| \\
 & \times \max\{a^{\alpha+l}, b^{\alpha+l}\} \widetilde{M}_r \int_0^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\
 & + \widetilde{M}_r \max\{a^{\alpha+l}, b^{\alpha+l}\} \int_{s_1/s_2}^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\
 & + \widetilde{M}_r |s_1^{\alpha+l} - s_2^{\alpha+l}| \int_0^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\
 & + \max\{a^{\alpha+l}, b^{\alpha+l}\} \int_{s_1/s_2}^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\
 \rightarrow & 0 \\
 & \text{uniformly as } s_1 \rightarrow s_2 \text{ with } s_1, s_2 \in [a, b] \subset (t_k, t_{k+1}].
 \end{aligned} \tag{114}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left| \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} (T_m x)(s_1) - \frac{s_2^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_2)(1+s_2^\mu)} (T_m x)(s_2) \right| \\
 = & \left| \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} \right. \\
 & \times \int_{t_k}^{s_1} \frac{(s_1-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x(s)) ds \\
 & \left. - \frac{s_2^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_2)(1+s_2^\mu)} \right.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \times \int_{t_k}^{s_2} \frac{(s_2-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x(s)) ds \Big| \\
 & + \left| x_0 \left| \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} - \frac{s_2^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_2)(1+s_2^\mu)} \right| \right. \\
 & \left. + \left| \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} - \frac{s_2^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_2)(1+s_2^\mu)} \right| \right. \\
 & \times \sum_{j=1}^k |I_j(t_j, x(t_j))| \\
 & \left. + \left| \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} - \frac{s_2^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_2)(1+s_2^\mu)} \right| \right. \\
 & \times \sum_{j=1}^k \int_{t_{k-1}}^{t_k} \frac{(t_k-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} |q(s) f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x(s))| ds \\
 \leq & \left| \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} \right. \\
 & \times \int_0^{s_1} \frac{(s_1-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s)) ds \\
 & \left. - \frac{s_2^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_2)(1+s_2^\mu)} \right. \\
 & \times \int_0^{s_2} \frac{(s_2-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s)) ds \Big| \\
 & + \left| x_0 \left| \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} - \frac{s_2^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_2)(1+s_2^\mu)} \right| \right. \\
 & \left. + \left| \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} - \frac{s_2^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_2)(1+s_2^\mu)} \right| \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} M_{rk} \right. \\
 & \left. + \widetilde{M}_r \left| \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} - \frac{s_2^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_2)(1+s_2^\mu)} \right| \right. \\
 & \times \sum_{j=1}^k t_k^{\alpha+l} \int_0^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\
 \rightarrow & 0 \\
 & \text{uniformly as } s_1 \rightarrow s_2 \text{ with } s_1, s_2 \in [a, b] \subset (t_k, t_{k+1}].
 \end{aligned} \tag{115}$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left| \frac{s_1^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_1)(1+s_1^\mu)} (T_m x)(s_1) \right. \\
 & \left. - \frac{s_2^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+s_2)(1+s_2^\mu)} (T_m x)(s_2) \right| \rightarrow 0
 \end{aligned} \tag{116}$$

uniformly as $s_1 \rightarrow s_2$ with $s_1, s_2 \in [a, b] \subset (t_k, t_{k+1}]$.

In a similar manner, one can find that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{s_1^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+s_1^\mu} {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p (T_m x)(s_1) - \frac{s_2^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+s_2^\mu} {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p (T_m x)(s_2) \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{s_1^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+s_1^\mu} \int_{t_k}^{s_1} \frac{(s_1-s)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} q(s) \right. \\ & \quad \times f\left(s, x(s), {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x(s)\right) ds \\ & \quad - \frac{s_2^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+s_2^\mu} \\ & \quad \times \int_{t_k}^{s_2} \frac{(s_2-s)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} q(s) \\ & \quad \left. \times f\left(s, x(s), {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x(s)\right) ds \right| \end{aligned}$$

$\rightarrow 0$

uniformly as $s_1 \rightarrow s_2$ with $s_1, s_2 \in [a, b] \subset (t_k, t_{k+1}]$. (117)

From (116) and (117), we deduce that $T_m W$ is equicontinuous on finite closed interval on $(t_k, t_{k+1}]$.

Step 4. We prove that $T_m W$ is equiconvergent as $t \rightarrow t_k^+$ ($k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$).

As in Lemma 10, $T_m W$ is equiconvergent as $t \rightarrow 0^+$. For $t \rightarrow t_k^+$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\ & \times \left| (T_m x)(t) - \left(\sum_{j=1}^k \int_{t_{j-1}}^{t_j} \frac{(t_j-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) \right. \right. \\ & \quad \times f\left(s, x(s), {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x(s)\right) ds \\ & \quad \left. \left. + x_0 + \sum_{j=1}^k I_j(t_j, x(t_j)) \right) \right| \\ & \leq \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\ & \quad \times \int_{t_k}^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \left| q(s) f\left(s, x(s), {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x(s)\right) \right| ds \\ & \leq M_r \frac{t^\sigma}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \int_{t_k/t}^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw, \\ & \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \left| {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p (T_m x)(t) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \int_{t_k}^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} q(s) \right. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \left. \times f\left(s, x(s), {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x(s)\right) ds \right| \\ & \leq M_r \frac{t^\sigma}{1+t^\mu} \int_{t_k/t}^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} w^l dw. \end{aligned} \tag{118}$$

Hence, $T_m W$ is equiconvergent as $t \rightarrow t_k^+$ ($k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$).

Step 5. $T_m W$ is equiconvergent as $t \rightarrow \infty$. Notice that

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\ & \times \left| (T_m x)(t) \right. \\ & \quad - \left(x_0 + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} I_j(t_j, x(t_j)) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \int_{t_{j-1}}^{t_j} \frac{(t_j-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left. \times f\left(s, x(s), {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x(s)\right) ds \right) \right| \\ & \leq \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\ & \quad \times \int_{t_k}^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \left| q(s) f\left(s, x(s), {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x(s)\right) \right| ds \\ & \quad + \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\ & \quad \times \sum_{j=k+1}^{\infty} \int_{t_{j-1}}^{t_j} \frac{(t_j-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \\ & \quad \times \left| q(s) f\left(s, x(s), {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x(s)\right) \right| ds \\ & \leq \widetilde{M}_r \frac{t^\sigma}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \int_{t_k/t}^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\ & \quad + \widetilde{M}_r \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\ & \quad \times \sum_{j=k+1}^{\infty} t_j^{\alpha+l} \int_{t_{j-1}/t_j}^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\ & \leq \widetilde{M}_r M_{\sigma,\mu} \frac{1}{1+t} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \\ & \quad + \widetilde{M}_r \frac{1}{\lambda_0^{\mu-\sigma+1}} \sum_{j=k+1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{j^{\mu-\sigma+1}} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \\ & \rightarrow 0 \text{ uniformly in } W \text{ as } t \rightarrow \infty \text{ (} k \rightarrow \infty \text{)}, \end{aligned} \tag{119}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \left| {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p (T_m x)(t) \right| \\ & \leq \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} t^{\alpha+l-p} \\ & \quad \times \int_{t_k/t}^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \bar{M}_r w^l dw \\ & \leq \frac{t^\sigma}{1+t^\mu} \int_0^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \bar{M}_r w^l dw \\ & \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{uniformly in } W \text{ as } t \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned} \tag{120}$$

Hence, $T_m W$ is equiconvergent as $t \rightarrow \infty$. This completes the proof in which T_m is completely continuous. \square

Theorem 15. Assume that (H_1) and (H_2) hold. Then IVP (7) has at least one solution $x \in X$ if

$$\begin{aligned} & \delta_m < 1 \quad \text{or } \delta_m = 1 \quad \text{with } N_0 < 1 \quad \text{or} \\ & \delta_m > 1 \quad \text{with } \frac{\|\Psi\|^{1-\delta_m} (\delta_m - 1)^{\delta_m - 1}}{\delta_m^{\delta_m}} \geq N_0, \end{aligned} \tag{121}$$

where $N_0 = \max\{M_2, M_3\}$, M_2 is given by (83) and

$$\begin{aligned} M_3 = \sum_{i=1}^m \left[\left(M_{\sigma,\mu} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. + \frac{1}{\lambda_0^{\mu-\sigma+1}} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{j^{\mu-\sigma+1}} \right) \right. \\ \left. \times [A_i + B_i] \right. \\ \left. + M_{\sigma-\alpha-l,\mu} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} A_{ji} \right] \|\Psi\|^{\delta_i - \delta_m}. \end{aligned} \tag{122}$$

Proof. Let Y denote the Banach space equipped with the norm $\|\cdot\|$ (introduced in Section 2). Let $T_m : Y \rightarrow Y$ be an operator defined by (98). In view of Lemma 8, we need to show that the operator T_m has a fixed point in Y which will be a solution of IVP (7). By Lemma 14, T_m is well defined and completely continuous. Lets us introduce

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(t) = & C \int_{t_k}^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) ds \\ & + C \sum_{j=1}^k \int_{t_{j-1}}^{t_j} \frac{(t_j-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} q(s) ds + x_0 \\ & + \sum_{j=1}^k D_j, \quad t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}], \quad k = 0, 1, \dots \end{aligned} \tag{123}$$

It is easy to show that $\Phi \in Y$. Let $\bar{r} > 0$ and define

$$\bar{\Omega}_{\bar{r}} = \{x \in Y : \|x - \Phi\| \leq \bar{r}\}. \tag{124}$$

For $x \in \bar{\Omega}_{\bar{r}}$, we have $\|x - \Phi\| \leq \bar{r}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|x\| = \max \left\{ \sup_{t \in (0, \infty)} \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} |x(t)|, \right. \\ \left. \sup_{k=0,1,2,\dots} \sup_{t \in (t_k, t_{k+1})} \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \left| {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x(t) \right| \right\} \tag{125} \\ \leq \|x - \Phi\| + \|\Phi\| \leq r + \|\Phi\|. \end{aligned}$$

Using the assumptions (H_1) and (H_2) , we find that

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} |(T_m x)(t) - \Phi(t)| \\ & \leq \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\ & \quad \times \int_{t_k}^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} |q(s)| \\ & \quad \times |f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s)) - C| ds \\ & \quad + \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\ & \quad \times \sum_{j=1}^k \int_{t_{j-1}}^{t_j} \frac{(t_j-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} |q(s)| \\ & \quad \times |f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s)) - C| ds \\ & \quad + \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \sum_{j=1}^k |I_j(t_j, x(t_j)) - D_j| \\ & \leq \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\ & \quad \times \int_{t_k}^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} s^l \\ & \quad \times \left[\sum_{i=1}^m A_i \left| \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} x(s) \right|^{\delta_i} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \sum_{i=1}^m B_i \left| \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s) \right|^{\delta_i} \right] ds \\ & \quad + \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\ & \quad \times \sum_{j=1}^k \int_{t_{j-1}}^{t_j} \frac{(t_j-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} s^l \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \times \left[\sum_{i=1}^m A_i \left| \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} x(s) \right|^{\delta_i} \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + \sum_{i=1}^m B_i \left| \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} {}^c D_{0^+}^p x(s) \right|^{\delta_i} \right] ds \\
 & + \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\
 & \times \sum_{j=1}^k \sum_{i=1}^m A_{ji} \left| \frac{t_j^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t_j)(1+t_j^\mu)} x(t_j) \right|^{\delta_i} \\
 & \leq \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \int_{t_k}^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} s^l ds \\
 & \times \sum_{i=1}^m [A_i + B_i] \|x\|^{\delta_i} \\
 & + \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \sum_{j=1}^k \int_{t_{j-1}}^{t_j} \frac{(t_j-s)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} s^l ds \\
 & \times \sum_{i=1}^m [A_i + B_i] \|x\|^{\delta_i} \\
 & + \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \sum_{j=1}^k \sum_{i=1}^m A_{ji} \|x\|^{\delta_i} \\
 & \leq \frac{t^\sigma}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \int_{t_k/t}^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\
 & \times \sum_{i=1}^m [A_i + B_i] \|x\|^{\delta_i} \\
 & + \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\
 & \times \sum_{j=1}^k t_j^{\alpha+l} \int_{t_{j-1}/t_j}^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\
 & \times \sum_{i=1}^m [A_i + B_i] \|x\|^{\delta_i} \\
 & + M_{\sigma-\alpha-l,\mu} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^\infty A_{ji} \|x\|^{\delta_i} \\
 & \leq M_{\sigma,\mu} \int_0^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\
 & \times \sum_{i=1}^m [A_i + B_i] \|x\|^{\delta_i} \\
 & + \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} \\
 & \times \sum_{j=1}^k t_j^{\alpha+l} \int_{t_{j-1}/t_j}^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\
 & \times \sum_{i=1}^m [A_i + B_i] \|x\|^{\delta_i} \\
 & + M_{\sigma-\alpha-l,\mu} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^\infty A_{ji} \|x\|^{\delta_i}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \times \sum_{i=1}^m [A_i + B_i] \|x\|^{\delta_i} \\
 & + M_{\sigma-\alpha-l,\mu} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^\infty A_{ji} \|x\|^{\delta_i} \\
 & \leq M_{\sigma,\mu} \int_0^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\
 & \times \sum_{i=1}^m [A_i + B_i] \|x\|^{\delta_i} \\
 & + \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{t_j^{\mu-\sigma+1}} \int_0^1 \frac{(1-w)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^l dw \\
 & \times \sum_{i=1}^m [A_i + B_i] \|x\|^{\delta_i} \\
 & + M_{\sigma-\alpha-l,\mu} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^\infty A_{ji} \|x\|^{\delta_i} \\
 & \leq M_{\sigma,\mu} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \sum_{i=1}^m [A_i + B_i] \|x\|^{\delta_i} \\
 & + \sum_{j=1}^\infty \frac{1}{j^{\mu-\sigma+1} \lambda_0^{\mu-\sigma+1}} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \\
 & \times \sum_{i=1}^m [A_i + B_i] \|x\|^{\delta_i} \\
 & + M_{\sigma-\alpha-l,\mu} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^\infty A_{ji} \|x\|^{\delta_i} \\
 & = \left[\left(M_{\sigma,\mu} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} + \frac{1}{\lambda_0^{\mu-\sigma+1}} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \sum_{j=1}^\infty \frac{1}{j^{\mu-\sigma+1}} \right) \right. \\
 & \quad \left. \times \sum_{i=1}^m [A_i + B_i] + M_{\sigma-\alpha-l,\mu} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^\infty A_{ji} \right] \\
 & \times [r + \|\Phi\|]^{\delta_i} \\
 & \leq N_1 [r + \|\Phi\|]^{\delta_m}.
 \end{aligned}$$

(126)

Furthermore, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \left| {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p (T_m x)(t) - {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p \Phi(t) \right| \\
 & \leq \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \\
 & \times \int_{t_k}^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} |q(s)| \\
 & \quad \times \left| f(s, x(s), {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x(s)) - C \right| ds
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\leq \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \\
 &\quad \times \int_{t_k}^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} s^l \\
 &\quad \times \left[\sum_{i=1}^m A_i \left| \frac{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}}{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)} x(s) \right|^{\delta_i} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \sum_{i=1}^m B_i \left| \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} {}^c D_{t_k^+}^p x(s) \right|^{\delta_i} \right] ds \\
 &\leq \frac{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}}{1+t^\mu} \\
 &\quad \times \int_0^t \frac{(t-s)^{\alpha-p-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} s^l \\
 &\quad \times \left[\sum_{i=1}^m A_i \|x\|^{\delta_i} + \sum_{i=1}^m B_i \|x\|^{\delta_i} \right] ds \\
 &\leq M_{\sigma,\mu} \frac{B(\alpha-p, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} \\
 &\quad \times \left[\sum_{i=1}^m A_i \|x\|^{\delta_i} + \sum_{i=1}^m B_i \|x\|^{\delta_i} \right] \\
 &\leq M_{\sigma,\mu} \frac{B(\alpha-p, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} \sum_{i=1}^m [A_i + B_i] \|x\|^{\delta_i} \\
 &\leq M_{\sigma,\mu} \frac{B(\alpha-p, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} \sum_{i=1}^m [A_i + B_i] [r + \|\Phi\|]^{\delta_i} \\
 &\leq [r + \|\Phi\|]^{\delta_m} N_2.
 \end{aligned} \tag{127}$$

Thus, it follows that

$$\|T_m x - \Phi\| \leq [r + \|\Phi\|]^{\delta_m} N_0. \tag{128}$$

Now we discuss the cases for different values of δ_m .

(i) For $\delta_m < 1$, we can choose $\bar{r}_0 > 0$ sufficiently large so that $[\bar{r}_0 + \|\Phi\|]^{\delta_m} N_0 < \bar{r}_0$. Let $\Omega_{\bar{r}_0} = \{x \in Y : \|x\| < \bar{r}_0\}$. It is easy to show that $T_m \bar{\Omega}_{\bar{r}_0} \subset \bar{\Omega}_{\bar{r}_0}$. Then, the Schauder fixed point theorem implies that the operator T_m has a fixed point $x \in \bar{\Omega}_{\bar{r}_0}$, which is a bounded solution of IVP (7).

(ii) For $\delta_m = 1$, we select

$$\bar{r}_0 \geq \frac{\|\Psi\| N_0}{1 - N_0}. \tag{129}$$

Let $\Omega_{\bar{r}_0} = \{x \in Y : \|x\| < \bar{r}_0\}$. It can easily be shown that $T_m \bar{\Omega}_{\bar{r}_0} \subset \bar{\Omega}_{\bar{r}_0}$. Then, the Schauder fixed point theorem applies and the operator T_m has a fixed point $x \in \bar{\Omega}_{\bar{r}_0}$, which is a bounded solution of IVP (7).

(iii) For $\delta_m > 1$, we set $\bar{r} = \bar{r}_0 = \|\Phi\|/(\delta_m - 1)$ so that

$$\frac{\bar{r}_0}{(\bar{r}_0 + \|\Phi\|)^{\delta_m}} = \frac{\|\Phi\|^{1-\delta_m} (\delta_m - 1)^{\delta_m - 1}}{\delta_m^{\delta_m}} \geq N_0. \tag{130}$$

Let $\Omega_{\bar{r}_0} = \{x \in Y : \|x\| < \bar{r}_0\}$. Then we can show that $T_m \bar{\Omega}_{\bar{r}_0} \subset \bar{\Omega}_{\bar{r}_0}$. Thus, by the Schauder fixed point theorem, the operator T_m has a fixed point $x \in \bar{\Omega}_{\bar{r}_0}$, which is a solution of IVP (7). This completes the proof. \square

Theorem 16. Suppose that (H_1) and (H_2) hold with $\delta_m = 1$. Then IVP (7) has a unique solution $x \in Y$ if $N_0 < 1$.

Proof. The proof is similar to that of Theorem 12, so we omit it. \square

5. Applications

Malthusian geometrical law is expressed as $N'(t) = rN(t)$, where $N(t)$ is the population at time t and r is the proportionality constant. When the growth of the population in any environment is stopped due to the density of the population, this model modifies to a nonlinear logistic model of the form $N'(t) = rN(t)(1 - N(t)/\pi)$. The generalization of the nonlinear logistic model is represented by $N'(t) = rN(t)[1 - (N(t)/\pi)^\alpha]/\alpha$. For $\alpha \rightarrow 0$, the model is known as the Gompertz model and can be found in the literature on actuarial science and mortality analysis of elderly person [31].

In [32], Das et al. presented the following fractional-order logistic model (Das Model):

$$D_{0^+}^\beta N(t) = \frac{r}{\alpha} N(t) \left[1 - \left(\frac{N(t)}{\pi} \right)^\alpha \right], \quad 0 < \beta \leq 1. \tag{131}$$

In [33], the authors presented the following logistic model with fractional order:

$$\begin{aligned}
 {}^c D_{0^+}^\alpha x(t) &= x(t) [a(t) - b(t)(x(t))], \quad t \in (0, \infty), \quad t \neq t_k, \\
 \Delta x(t_k) &= I_k(x(t_k^-)), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, \\
 x(0) &= x_0,
 \end{aligned} \tag{132}$$

where $T > 0$ is a constant, $I_k : R \rightarrow R$ ($k = 1, 2, \dots, m$) are impulse functions, $a(t) \in [a_*, a^*]$, and $b(t) \in [b_*, b^*]$ with $a_* > 0, b_* > 0$.

As an application of the main results established in the paper, we discuss the sufficient conditions for the existence and asymptotic behavior of solutions for the logistic models:

$$\begin{aligned}
 {}^c D_{0^+}^\alpha x(t) &= x(t) [a(t) - b(t)(x(t))^\delta], \quad t \in (0, \infty), \quad t \neq t_k, \\
 \Delta x(t_k) &= I_k(t_k, x(t_k)), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, \\
 x(0) &= x_0,
 \end{aligned} \tag{133}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 {}^c D_*^\alpha x(t) &= x(t) [a(t) - b(t)(x(t))^\delta], \quad t \in (0, \infty), \quad t \neq t_k, \\
 \Delta x(t_k) &= I_k(t_k, x(t_k)), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, \\
 x(0) &= x_0,
 \end{aligned} \tag{134}$$

where $0 < t_1 < t_2 < t_3 < \dots$, $\alpha \in (0, 1]$, $\delta > 0$, $a, b : (0, \infty) \rightarrow R$ are continuous functions, and $a_k \in R \rightarrow R$ ($k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$) are constants.

Theorem 17. *Suppose that*

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)}{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}} a(t) &\leq a_0, \\
 \left(\frac{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)}{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}} \right)^{\delta+1} b(t) &\leq b_0, \\
 t &\in (0, \infty),
 \end{aligned} \tag{135}$$

and there exists $D_k \in R, A_{k1}, A_{k2} \geq 0$ such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left| I_k \left(t_k, \frac{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)}{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}} u \right) - D_k \right| \\
 \leq A_{k1} |u| + A_{k2} |u|^2, \quad k = 1, 2, 3, \dots, \quad u \in R.
 \end{aligned} \tag{136}$$

Then IVP (133) has at least one solution if

$$4 \|\Phi\| M_0 \leq 1, \tag{137}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Phi(t) &= x_0 + \sum_{j=1}^k D_j, \quad t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}], \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \\
 M_1 &= \left[M_{\sigma,\mu} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} a_0 + M_{\sigma-\alpha-l,\mu} \sum_{j=1}^\infty A_{j1} \right] \|\Psi\|^{-1} \\
 &+ M_{\sigma,\mu} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} b_0 + M_{\sigma-\alpha-l,\mu} \sum_{j=1}^\infty A_{j2}, \\
 M_2 &= M_{\sigma,\mu} \frac{B(\alpha-p, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} (a_0 + b_0), \\
 M_0 &= \max \{M_1, M_2\}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{138}$$

Proof. Let $f(t, u, v) = u[a(t) - b(t)u^\delta]$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\left| f \left(t, \frac{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)}{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}} u, \frac{1+t^\mu}{t^{p+\sigma-\alpha-l}} \right) \right| \\
 &= \frac{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)}{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}} a(t) |u| \\
 &+ b(t) \left(\frac{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)}{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}} \right)^{\delta+1} |u|^{\delta+1} \\
 &\leq a_0 |u| + b_0 |u|^{\delta+1}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{139}$$

In association with Theorem 11, we choose $C = 0, A_1 = a_0, A_1 = a_1, \delta_1 = 1, \delta_2 = 2, B_1 = B_2 = 0$. Then the conditions (H_1) and (H_2) hold. By Theorem 11, IVP (133) has at least one solution. This completes the proof. \square

Theorem 18. *Suppose that*

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)}{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}} a(t) &\leq a_0, \\
 \left(\frac{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)}{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}} \right)^{\delta+1} b(t) &\leq b_0, \\
 t &\in (0, \infty)
 \end{aligned} \tag{140}$$

and there exists $D_k \in R, A_{k1}, A_{k2} \geq 0$ such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left| I_k \left(t_k, \frac{(1+t)(1+t^\mu)}{t^{\sigma-\alpha-l}} u \right) - D_k \right| \\
 \leq A_{k1} |u| + A_{k2} |u|^2, \quad k = 1, 2, 3, \dots, \quad u \in R.
 \end{aligned} \tag{141}$$

Then IVP (134) has at least one solution if

$$4N_0 \|\Psi\| \leq 1, \tag{142}$$

where

$$\Psi(t) = x_0 + \sum_{j=1}^k D_j, \quad t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}], \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots,$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 M_3 = & \left[\left(M_{\sigma,\mu} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, D+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \right. \right. \\
 & \left. \left. + \frac{1}{\lambda_0^{\mu-\sigma+1}} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{j^{\mu-\sigma+1}} \right) a_0 \right. \\
 & \left. + M_{\sigma-\alpha-l,\mu} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} A_{j1} \right] \|\Psi\|^{-1} \\
 & + \left(M_{\sigma,\mu} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \right. \\
 & \left. + \frac{1}{\lambda_0^{\mu-\sigma+1}} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{j^{\mu-\sigma+1}} \right) b_0 \\
 & + M_{\sigma-\alpha-l,\mu} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} A_{j2}, \\
 M_2 = & M_{\sigma,\mu} \frac{\mathbf{B}(\alpha-p, l+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha-p)} (a_0 + b_0), \\
 N_0 = & \max \{M_2, M_3\}.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{143}$$

Proof. The proof immediately follows from Theorem 15. \square

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