

# GLOBAL ATTRACTIVITY AND POSITIVITY SOLUTIONS FOR NONLINEAR FUNCTIONAL DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS WITH MEASURES OF NONCOMPACTNESS

**ABSTRACT:** We prove in this paper some existence theorems concerning the attractivity and positivity of the solutions for nonlinear functional differential equations using the techniques of some measures of noncompactness. Our study is in the Banach space of real-valued functions defined, continuous and bounded on unbounded intervals together with the applications of a measure theoretic fixed point theorem of Dhage[1].Our study in this paper, it is new to the literature as regards positivity of the solutions for nonlinear functional differential equations.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Nonlinear differential equations and integral equations with bounded intervals have been studied in the literature as various aspects existence, uniqueness, stability and externality of solutions. However the study of nonlinear differential and integral equations with unbounded intervals is new and exploited for the new characteristics of attractivity and asymptotic attractivity of solutions. There are two approaches for dealing with these characteristics of solutions one is classical fixed point theorems involving the hypothesis from analysis and topology, the second is the fixed point theorems involving the use of measure of noncompactness approaches has some advantages and disadvantages over the others Dhage[2,3]. In this paper, we prove some theorems on the existence and global attractivity and positivity of solutions for functional differential equations by using fixed point theorems involving the use of measures of noncompactness. Our study will be situated in the Banach space of real-valued functions which are defined, continuous and bounded on the real half axis  $\mathbb{R}_+$ . The main tool used in our considerations is the technique of measures of noncompactness and fixed point theorem of B.C.Dhage type [1]. The assumptions imposed in our main existence theorems admit several natural realizations. These realizations are constructed with help of a certain class of sub additive functions. The results obtained in this paper generalized and extend several ones obtained earlier in a lot of papers concerning asymptotic stability of solutions for some functional integral equations [cf.1,4,5,6,7]. Our approach consists mainly in the possibility of obtaining the global attractivity, asymptotic attractivity and positivity of solutions for considered nonlinear functional Differential equations.

## 2. AUXILIARY RESULTS

At the beginning we present some basic facts concerning the measures of noncompactness. We accept the following definitions of the concept of a measure

46 of noncompactness given in Dhage[1].The details measures of noncompactness  
 47 appear in Banas and Goebel[8] and the references therein.

48 Let  $E$  be a Banach space and let  $\mathcal{P}_p(E)$  be denote the class of all non-empty  
 49 subsets of  $E$  with property  $\mathcal{P}$ . Here  $\mathcal{P}$  may be  $\mathcal{P}_{cl}$  = closed,  $\mathcal{P}_{bd}$  = bounded,  
 50  $\mathcal{P}_{rcp}$  = relatively compact. Thus,  $\mathcal{P}_{cl}(E)$ ,  $\mathcal{P}_{bd}(E)$ ,  $\mathcal{P}_{cl,bd}(E)$  and  $\mathcal{P}_{rcp}(E)$ denotes  
 51 the classes of closed, bounded, closed and bounded and relatively compact  
 52 subsets of  $E$  respectively.

53 A function  $d_H(A, B) = \max\{\sup_{a \in A} d(A, B), \sup_{b \in B} d(b, A), \}$  2.1

54 Satisfies all the conditions of a metric on  $\mathcal{P}_{bd}(E)$  is called Hausdrorff-Pompeiu  
 55 metric on  $E$ , where  $d(a, B) = \inf\{\|a - b\|: b \in B\}$ . It is known that the hyperspace  
 56  $(\mathcal{P}_{cl}(E), d_H)$  is a complete metric space. In this paper, we adopt the following  
 57 axiomatic definition of the measure of noncompactness in a Banach space given  
 58 by Dhage[1]. The other useful forms appear in Banas and Goebel[8] and the  
 59 references therein. We need the following definitions in the sequel.

60 **Definition:2.1.** A sequence  $\{A_n\}$  of non-empty sets in  $\mathcal{P}_{bd}(E)$  is said to  
 61 converges to a set  $A$ , called the limiting set if  $d_H(A_n, A) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . A  
 62 mapping  $\mu: \mathcal{P}_{bd}(E) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  is called continuous if for any sequence  $\{A_n\}$  in  
 63  $\mathcal{P}_{bd}(E)$  we have

64 
$$d_H(A_n, A) \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow |\mu(A_n) - \mu(A)| \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

65 **Definition:2.2.** A mapping  $\mu: \mathcal{P}_{bd}(E) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  is said to be nondecreasing if  
 66  $A, B \in \mathcal{P}_{bd}(E)$  are any two sets with  $A \subseteq B$ , then  $\mu(A) \leq \mu(B)$ , where  $\leq$  is a order  
 67 relation by inclusion in  $\mathcal{P}_{bd}(E)$ .

68 **Definition:2.3.** A function  $\mu: \mathcal{P}_{bd}(E) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  is called a measure of  
 69 noncompactness if it satisfies

- 70 i.  $\phi \neq \mu^{-1}(0) \subset \mathcal{P}_{rcp}(E)$ ,
- 71 ii.  $\mu(\bar{A}) = \mu(A)$ , where  $\bar{A}$  denotes the closure of  $A$ ,
- 72 iii.  $\mu(\text{conv}A) = \mu(A)$ , where  $\text{conv}A$  denotes the convex hull of  $A$ ,
- 73 iv.  $\mu$  is nondecreasing, and
- 74 v. If  $\{A_n\}$  is a decreasing sequence of sets in  $\mathcal{P}_{bd}(E)$  such that  

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(A_n) = 0$$
, then the limiting set  $A_\infty = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n$  is non-empty.

75 The family  $\ker \mu$  described in (i) is said to be the kernel of the measure of  
 76 noncompactness  $\mu$  and  $\ker \mu = \{A \in \mathcal{P}_{bd}(E): \mu(A) = 0\} \subseteq \mathcal{P}_{rcp}(E)$ . The  
 77 measure  $\mu$  is called complete if the  $\ker \mu$  of  $\mu$  consists of all possible relatively  
 78 compact subsets of  $E$ .

79 The measure  $\mu$  is called sublinear if it satisfies

- 80 vi.  $\mu(\lambda A) = |\lambda| \mu(A)$  for  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ , and
- 81 vii.  $\mu(A + B) \leq \mu(A) + \mu(B)$ .

82 There do exist the sublinear measures of noncompactness on Banach space  $E$ .  
 83 Observe that the limiting set  $A_\infty$  from (v) is a member of family  $\ker \mu$ . In facts,

87 science  $\mu(A_\infty) \leq \mu(A_n)$  for any  $n$ , we infer that  $\mu(A_\infty) = 0$ . There fore  
 88  $A_\infty \in \ker \mu$ .

90 **Definition:2.4.** A mapping  $Q: E \rightarrow E$  is called D – set – Lipschitz if there exists  
 91 a continuous nondecreasing function  $\phi: \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  such that  $\mu(Q(A)) \leq \phi(\mu(A))$   
 92 for all  $A \in \mathcal{P}_{bd}(E)$  with  $Q(A) \in \mathcal{P}_{bd}(E)$ , where  $\phi(0) = 0$ . Sometimes we call the  
 93 function  $\phi$  to be D-function of  $Q$  on  $E$ . When  $\phi(r) = kr, k > 0$  then  $Q$  is called a  
 94 K-set contraction on  $E$ . Further if  $\phi(r) < r$  for  $r > 0$ , then  $Q$  is called a nonlinear  
 95 D-set contraction on  $E$ .

96 **Theorem:2.1**(Dhage[1]): Let  $C$  be a non-empty, closed, convex and bounded  
 97 subset of a Banach space  $E$ , and let  $Q: C \rightarrow C$  be a continuous and nonlinear D-set  
 98 contraction. Then  $Q$  has a fixed point.

100 **Remark.2.1:** Let  $\text{Fix}(Q)$  denote the set of all fixed points of the operator  $Q$  which  
 101 belong to  $C$ . It can be shown in theorem.2.1  $\text{Fix}(Q) \in \ker \mu$ . In fact if  $\text{Fix}(Q) \notin$   
 102  $\ker \mu$ , then  $\mu(\text{Fix}(Q)) > 0$  and  $Q(\text{Fix}(Q)) = \text{Fix}(Q)$ . Now from nonlinear D-set  
 103 contraction,  $\mu(Q(\text{Fix}(Q))) \leq Q(\mu(\text{Fix}(Q)))$  This is a contradiction.

104 Since  $\phi(r) < r$  for  $r > 0$ . Hence  $\text{Fix}(Q) \in \ker \mu$ . Our further considerations will  
 105 be placed in Banach space  $BC(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R})$  with standard supremum norm

$$\|x\| = \sup\{|x(t)|: t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$$

106 for our purpose we will use the Hausdorff measure of noncompactness in  
 107  $BC(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R})$  and is defined as follows. Let us fix a nonempty and bounded subset  $X$   
 108 of the space  $BC(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R})$  and positive number  $T$ . For  $x \in X, \epsilon \geq 0$  denote by

$$\omega^T(x, \epsilon) = \sup\{|x(t) - x(s)|: t, s \in [0, T], |t - s| \leq \epsilon\}$$

109 Next, let us put

$$\omega^T(X, \epsilon) = \sup\{\omega^T(x, \epsilon): x \in X\}$$

$$\omega_0^T(X) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \omega^T(X, \epsilon).$$

110 It is known that  $\omega_0^T$  is a measure of noncompactness in the Banach space  
 111  $C([0, T], \mathbb{R})$  of continuous and real-valued functions defined on a closed and  
 112 bounded interval  $[0, T]$  in  $\mathbb{R}$  which is equivalent to Hausdroff or ball measure on  
 113 noncompactness in it. Now one has

$$\chi(X) = \frac{1}{2} \omega_0^T(X)$$

114 For any bounded subset  $\chi$  of  $C([0, T], \mathbb{R})$  see Banas and Goebel [3] and the  
 115 reference therein. We define

$$\omega_0(X) = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \omega_0^T(X)$$

116 Now, for a fixed number  $t \in \mathbb{R}_+$ , let us denote  $X(t) = \{x(t): x \in X\}$ ,

$$\|X(t)\| = \sup\{|x(t)|: x \in X\}.$$

117 and

$$\|X(t) - c\| = \sup\{|x(t) - c|: x \in X\}.$$

118 Let us consider the function  $\mu$  defined on the family  $\mathcal{P}_{bd}(X)$  by

124  $s\mu_a(X) = \max\{\omega_0(X), \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \sup \text{diam}X(t)\},$

125  $\mu_b(X) = \max\{\omega_0(X), \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \sup \|X(t)\|\},$

126 and  $\mu_c(X) = \max\{\omega_0(X), \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \sup \|X(t) - c\|\}.$

127 For any bounded subset  $X$  of  $BC(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R})$  define

128  $\delta(X) = \sup\{\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \sup(|x(t)| - x(t)) : x \in X\}.$

129 Define the functions  $\mu_{ad}$ ,  $\mu_{bd}$ ,  $\mu_{cd} : \mathcal{P}_{bd}(E) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  by

130  $\mu_{ad}(X) = \max\{\mu_a(X), \delta(X)\} \quad 2.2$

131  $\mu_{bd}(X) = \max\{\mu_b(X), \delta(X)\} \quad 2.3$

132  $\mu_{cd}(X) = \max\{\mu_c(X), \delta(X)\} \quad 2.4$

133 for all  $X \in \mathcal{P}_{bd}(E)$

134 It can be shown as in Banas[4] that the functions  $\mu_a$ ,  $\mu_b$ ,  $\mu_c$ ,  $\mu_{ad}$ ,  $\mu_{bd}$  and  $\mu_{cd}$  are  
135 measures of noncompactness in the space  $BC(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R})$ . The  $\text{ker}\mu_a$ ,  $\text{ker}\mu_b$  and  $\text{ker}\mu_c$  of  
136 the measures  $\mu_a$ ,  $\mu_b$  and  $\mu_c$  consist of non empty and bounded subsets  $X$  are locally  
137 equicontinuous on  $\mathbb{R}_+$ .

138 In order to introduce further concepts used in this article, let us assume that  
139  $E = BC(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R})$  and let  $\Omega$  be a subset of  $X$ . Let  $Q : E \rightarrow E$  be a operator and consider the  
140 following operator equation in  $E$ ,

141  $Qx(t) = x(t) \quad 2.5$

142 For all  $t \in \mathbb{R}_+$ . Below we give different characterizations of the solutions for the  
143 operator (2.5) on  $\mathbb{R}_+$ .

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145 **Definition:2.5.** We say that solutions of equation (2.5) are locally attractive if there  
146 exists a closed ball  $\bar{B}_r(x_0)$  in space  $BC(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R})$  for some  $x_0 \in BC(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R})$  such that for  
147 arbitrary solutions  $x = x(t)$  and  $y = y(t)$  of equation (2.5) belonging to  $\bar{B}_r(x_0) \cap \Omega$ .  
148 we have

149  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (x(t) - y(t)) = 0 \quad 2.6$

150 In the case when the limit (2.3) is uniform with respect to the set  $\bar{B}_r(x_0) \cap \Omega$  i.e. when  
151 for each  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists T > 0$  such that

152  $|x(t) - y(t)| \leq \epsilon \quad 2.7$

153 for all  $x, y \in \bar{B}_r(x_0) \cap \Omega$  being solutions of (2.1) and for  $t \geq T$ , we will say that  
154 solutions of (2.5) are uniformly locally attractive on  $\mathbb{R}_+$ .

155 **Definition:2.6.** The solution  $x = x(t)$  of equation (2.5) is said to be globally attractive if  
156 (2.7) holds for each solution  $y = y(t)$  of (2.5) on  $\Omega$ . In the case when the condition  
157 (2.9) is satisfied uniformly with respect to the set  $\Omega$  i.e. if for every  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists T > 0$  such  
158 that the inequality (2.7) is satisfied for all  $x, y \in \Omega$  being the solution of (2.5) and  
159  $t \geq T$ , we will say that solutions of the equation (2.5) are uniformly globally attractive  
160 on  $\mathbb{R}_+$ .

161 The following definitions appear in Dhage[2]

162 **Definition:2.7.** A line  $y(t) = c$  where  $c$  a real number is called a attractor for a  
163 solution  $x \in BC(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R})$  to the equation (2.5) if  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (x(t) - c) = 0$ . In such case  
164 the solution  $x$  to the equation (2.6) is called to be asymptotic to the line  $y(t) = c$  and  
165 the line is asymptote for the solution  $x$  on  $\mathbb{R}_+$ .

166 Let us mention that the concepts of global attractivity of solutions are recently  
 167 introduced in Hu and Yan[7] while the concepts of local and global asymptotic  
 168 attractivity have been presented in Dhage[2]. Similarly, the concepts of uniform local  
 169 and global attractivity were introduced in Banas and Rzepka[5].

170 Next we introduce the new concept of local and global asymptotic positivity of  
 171 solution for equation2.5) in  $BC(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R})$ .

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 173 **Definition:2.8.** A solution  $x$  of equation (2.5) is called locally ultimately positive if  
 174 there exist a closed ball  $\bar{B}_r(x_0)$  in  $BC(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R})$  for some  $x \in BC(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R})$  such that  
 175  $x \in \bar{B}_r(x_0)$  and

$$176 \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} [|x(t)| - x(t)] = 0 \quad 2.8$$

177 When for each  $\epsilon > 0, \exists T > 0$  such that

$$178 \quad | |x(t)| - x(t) | \leq \epsilon \quad 2.9$$

179 For all  $x$  being solutions of (2.5) and for  $t \geq T$ , we will say that solutions of equations  
 180 (2.5) are uniformly locally ultimately positive on  $\mathbb{R}_+$ .

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 182 **Definition:2.9:** A solution  $x \in C(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R})$  of equation (2.5) is called globally ultimately  
 183 positive if equation (2.9) is satisfied. In this case when the limit (2.8) is uniform with  
 184 respective to the solution set of the operator equation (2.5) in  $C(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R})$ . i.e. when for  
 185 each  $\epsilon > 0, \exists T > 0$  such that (2.9) is satisfied for all  $x$  being solutions of equations of  
 186 (2.5) and for  $t \geq T$ , we will say that solutions of equations (2.5) are uniformly globally  
 187 ultimately positive on  $\mathbb{R}_+$ .

188 In the following section we prove the main results of this article.

### 190 3. ATTRCTIVITY AND POSITIVITY SOLUTION

191 Let  $\mathbb{R}$  be the real line and let  $\mathbb{R}_+$  be the set of non negative real numbers.  
 192 Consider the functional differential equation (in short FDE)

$$193 \quad \frac{d}{dt} \left[ \frac{x(t)}{f(t, x(\alpha(t)))} \right] = g(t, x(\gamma(t))) \quad 3.1$$

194 for  $t \in \mathbb{R}_+$ , where  $f: \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $g: \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , and  $\alpha, \gamma: \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ .

195 By a solution of the FDE (3.1) we mean a function in  $C(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R})$  that satisfies the  
 196 equation (3.1), where  $C(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R})$  is the space of continuous real-valued functions defined  
 197 on  $\mathbb{R}_+$ . For  $t \in \mathbb{R}_+$ , the FDE (3.1) reduces to the functional integral equation (in short  
 198 FIE)

$$199 \quad x(t) = q(t) + f(t, x(\alpha(t))) + \int_0^{\beta(t)} g(t, x(\omega(s))) ds \quad 3.2$$

200 where :  $\mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\beta: \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ .

201 The type of integral equation (3.2) has been studied in Dhage[3] and references given  
 202 therein. For global attractivity of solutions via classical hybrid fixed point theory  
 203 observe that the type of above integral equation (3.2) includes several classes of  
 204 functional, integral and functional integral equations considered in the literature  
 205 (cf[1,4,5,6,7] and references therein). Let us also mention that the following type of  
 206 functional integral equation considerd in Banas and Dhage[6],

207 
$$x(t) = f(t, x(\alpha(t))) + \int_0^{\beta(t)} g(t, s, x(\omega(s))) ds \quad 3.3$$

208 is also special case of the equation (3.2) which further includes the functional integral  
 209 equation considered in Banas and Rzepk[5] where  $\alpha(t) = \beta(t) = \gamma(t)$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{R}_+$ .  
 210 Therefore FIE(3.2) means FDE(3.1) is more general and so the attractivity and  
 211 positivity of this paper include the attractivity and positivity results for all the above  
 212 mentioned integral equations which are also new to the literature.

213 The equation (3.2) will be considered under the following assumptions.

214 (A<sub>0</sub>) The functions  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma: \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  are continuous and satisfy  $t \leq \alpha(t)$  for  $t \in \mathbb{R}_+$ .

215 (A<sub>1</sub>) The function  $q: \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous and bounded.

216 (A<sub>2</sub>) The function  $f: \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous and there exists a bounded function

217  $\ell: \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with bound  $L$  and a positive constant  $M$  such that

$$|f(t, x) - f(t, y)| \leq \frac{\ell(t) \max\{|x - y|\}}{M + \max\{|x - y|\}}$$

218 for  $t \in \mathbb{R}_+$  and for  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ . Moreover, we assume that  $L \leq M$ .

219 (A<sub>3</sub>) The function  $t \rightarrow f(t, 0)$  is bounded on  $\mathbb{R}_+$  with  $F_0 = \sup\{|f(t, 0)|: t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$ .

220 (A<sub>4</sub>) The function  $g: \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous and there exists a continuous  
 221 function  $b: \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  such that  $|g(t, s, x)| \leq b(t, s)$  for  $t, s \in \mathbb{R}_+$ .

222 Moreover, we assume that  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{\beta(t)} b(t, s) ds = 0$ .

223 **Remark.3.1:** Hypothesis (A<sub>2</sub>) is satisfied if the function and satisfied the condition,

$$|f(t, x) - f(t, y)| \leq \frac{\ell(t) |x - y|}{2M + |x - y|} \quad 3.4$$

225 for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}_+$  and  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ , where  $L \leq M$ , and the function  $\ell$  is defined as in hypothesis  
 226 (A<sub>2</sub>) which further yields the usual Lipschitz condition on the function  $f$ ,

$$|f(t, x) - f(t, y)| \leq \frac{\ell(t)}{2M} |x - y| \quad 3.5$$

228 for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}_+$  and  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  provided  $L < M$ . Our hypothesis (A<sub>2</sub>) is more general that  
 229 existing in the literature.

230 We will proceed for our main results.

231 **Theorem:3.1:** Under the above assumptions (A<sub>0</sub>)- (A<sub>4</sub>), FDE (3.1) has at least one  
 232 solution in the space  $BC(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R})$ . Moreover, solutions of the equation FDE (3.1) are  
 233 globally uniformly attractive on  $\mathbb{R}_+$ .

234 **Proof:** Consider the operator  $Q$  defined on the space  $BC(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R})$  be the formula

$$Qx(t) = q(x) + f(t, x(\alpha(t))) + \int_0^{\beta(t)} g(t, s, x(\omega(s))) ds \quad 3.6$$

236 Observe that for any  $x \in BC(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R})$  the function  $Qx$  is continuous on  $\mathbb{R}_+$ . Moreover for any  
 237 fixed  $t \in \mathbb{R}_+$  we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 238 |Qx(t)| &\leq |q(x)| + |f(t, x(\alpha(t)))| + \int_0^{\beta(t)} |g(t, s, x(\omega(s)))| ds \\ 239 &\leq |q(x)| + |f(t, x(\alpha(t))) - f(t, 0)| + |f(t, 0)| + \int_0^{\beta(t)} b(t, s) ds \\ 240 &\leq \|q\| + \frac{L \max\{|x(\alpha(t))|\}}{M + \max\{|x(\alpha(t))|\}} + |f(t, 0)| + \int_0^{\beta(t)} b(t, s) ds \\ &\leq \|q\| + \frac{L \|x\|}{M + \|x\|} + F_0 + v(t) \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq \|q\| + \frac{L\|x\|}{M + \|x\|} + F_0 + V$$

241 where  $v(t) = \int_0^{\beta(t)} b(t, s) ds$ ,  $V = \sup\{v(t): t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$  is finite by (A<sub>4</sub>).

242 From the above estimate we deduce that

$$243 \|Q\| \leq \|q\| + L + F_0 + V \quad 3.7$$

244 for all  $x \in BC(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R})$ . This means that the operator  $Q$  transforms the space  $BC(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R})$  into  
245 itself from (3.7) the operator  $Q$  transforms continuously the space  $BC(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R})$  into the closed  
246 ball  $\bar{B}_r(0)$ , where  $r = \|q\| + L + F_0 + V$ . Because of this fact, the existence of solutions for  
247 the FDE (3.1) is global in nature.

248 We will consider the operator  $Q$  as a mapping from  $\bar{B}_r(0)$  into itself. Now we show  
249 that the operator  $Q$  is continuous on the ball  $\bar{B}_r(0)$ . Let  $\epsilon > 0$  and take  $x, y \in \bar{B}_r(0)$  such that  
250  $\|x - y\| < \epsilon$ . Then we get

$$\begin{aligned} 251 |Qx(t) - Qy(t)| &\leq |f(t, x(\alpha(t))) - f(t, y(\alpha(t)))| \\ 252 &\quad + \int_0^{\beta(t)} |g(t, s, x(\alpha(s))) - g(t, s, y(\alpha(s)))| ds \\ 253 &\leq \frac{L \max\{|x(\alpha(t)) - y(\alpha(t))|\}}{M + \max\{|x(\alpha(t)) - y(\alpha(t))|\}} + \int_0^{\beta(t)} [|g(t, s, x(\alpha(s)))| + |g(t, s, y(\alpha(s)))|] ds \\ 254 &\leq \frac{L\|x-y\|}{M+\|x-y\|} + 2 \int_0^{\beta(t)} b(t, s) ds \\ 255 &\leq \epsilon + 2v(t). \end{aligned}$$

256 Hence, in virtue of assumption (A<sub>4</sub>) we infer that there exists  $T > 0$  such that  $v(t) \leq \epsilon$  for  
257  $t \geq T$ . Thus for  $t \geq T$  from (3.3) we derive that

$$258 |Qx(t) - Qy(t)| \leq 3\epsilon \quad 3.8$$

259 Further let us assume that  $t \in [0, T]$  then evaluating similarly s above we get

$$\begin{aligned} 260 |Qx(t) - Qy(t)| &\leq \epsilon + \int_0^{\beta(t)} |g(t, s, x(\alpha(s))) - g(t, s, y(\alpha(s)))| ds \\ 261 &\leq \epsilon + \int_0^{\beta(t)} \omega_r^T(g, \epsilon) ds \\ 262 &\leq \epsilon \beta_T \omega_r^T(g, \epsilon) \end{aligned}$$

263 Where  $\beta_T = \sup\{\beta(t): t \in [0, T]\}$  and

$$264 \omega_r^T(g, \epsilon) = \sup\{|g(t, s, x) - g(t, s, y)|: t \in [0, T], s \in [0, \beta_T], x, y \in [-r, r], |x - y| \leq \epsilon\} \quad 3.10$$

265 Obviously we have that  $\beta_T < \infty$ . Moreover from the uniform continuity of the function  
266  $g(t, s, x)$  on the set  $[0, T] \times [0, \beta_T] \times [-r, r]$ . we derive that  $\omega_r^T(g, \epsilon) \rightarrow 0$  as  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ . Now from  
267 (3.9),(3.10) and above established facts we conclude that the operator  $Q$  maps continuously  
268 the closed ball  $\bar{B}_r(0)$  into itself.

269 Further on let us take nonempty subset  $X$  of the ball  $\bar{B}_r(0)$ . Next  $T > 0$  and  $\epsilon > 0$ , let  
270 us choose  $x \in X$  and  $t_1, t_2 \in [0, T]$  with  $|t_1 - t_2| \leq \epsilon$ . Without loss of generality we may  
271 assume that  $t_1 < t_2$ . Then taking into account our assumptions, we get

$$\begin{aligned} 273 |(Qx)(t_2) - (Qx)(t_1)| &\leq |q(t_2) - q(t_1)| + |f(t_2, x(\alpha(t_2))) - f(t_1, x(\alpha(t_1)))| \\ 274 &\quad + \left| \int_0^{\beta(t_2)} g(t_2, s, x(\alpha(s))) ds - \int_0^{\beta(t_2)} g(t_1, s, x(\alpha(s))) ds \right| + \\ &\quad \left| \int_0^{\beta(t_2)} g(t_1, s, x(\alpha(s))) ds - \int_0^{\beta(t_1)} g(t_1, s, x(\alpha(s))) ds \right| \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq \omega^T(q, \epsilon) + \frac{L \max\{|x(\alpha(t_2)) - x(\alpha(t_1))|\}}{M + \max\{|x(\alpha(t_2)) - x(\alpha(t_1))|\}} + \omega_r^T(f, \epsilon) \\
&\quad + \int_0^{\beta(t_2)} \left| g(t_1, s, x(\alpha(s))) - g(t_2, s, x(\alpha(s))) \right| ds \\
&\quad + \left| \int_{\beta(t_1)}^{\beta(t_2)} g(t, s, x(\alpha(s))) ds \right| \\
275 \quad &\leq \omega^T(q, \epsilon) + \frac{L \max\{|\omega^T(x, \omega^T(\alpha, \epsilon))|\}}{M + \max\{|\omega^T(x, \omega^T(\alpha, \epsilon))|\}} + \omega_r^T(f, \epsilon) + \int_0^{\beta_T} \omega_r^T(g, \epsilon) ds + \omega^T(\beta, \epsilon) G_T^r
\end{aligned} \tag{3.11}$$

277 Where  $\omega_r^T(q, \epsilon) = \sup\{|q(t_2) - q(t_1)| : t_1, t_2 \in [0, T], |t_1 - t_2| \leq \epsilon\}$   
278  $\omega_r^T(f, \epsilon) = \sup\{|f(t_2, x) - f(t_1, x)| : t_1, t_2 \in [0, T], |t_1 - t_2| \leq \epsilon, x, y \in [-r, r]\}$   
279  $\omega_r^T(g, \epsilon) = \sup\left\{ \begin{array}{l} |g(t_2, s, x) - g(t_1, s, x)| : t_1, t_2 \in [0, T], |t_1 - t_2| \leq \epsilon, \\ s \in [0, \beta_T], x, y \in [-r, r] \end{array} \right\}$   
280  $G_T^r = \sup\{|g(t, s, x)| : t \in [0, T], s \in [0, \beta_T], x \in [-r, r]\}.$

281 from the above estimate we derive the following

$$\omega^T(Qx, \epsilon) \leq \omega^T(q, \epsilon) + \frac{L \max\{|\omega^T(x, \omega^T(\alpha, \epsilon))|\}}{M + \max\{|\omega^T(x, \omega^T(\alpha, \epsilon))|\}} + \omega_r^T(f, \epsilon) + \int_0^{\beta_T} \omega_r^T(g, \epsilon) ds + \omega^T(\beta, \epsilon) G_T^r$$

283 3.12

284 Observe that  $\omega^T(q, \epsilon) \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\omega_r^T(f, \epsilon) \rightarrow 0$  and  $\omega_r^T(g, \epsilon) \rightarrow 0$  as  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ , which is a simple  
285 consequence of the uniform continuity of the functions  $q, f, g$  on the set  $[0, T]$ ,  
286  $[0, T] \times [-r, r]$  and  $[0, T] \times [0, \beta_T] \times [-r, r]$  respectively. Moreover it is obvious that the  
287 constant  $G_T^r$  is finite and  $\omega^T(\alpha, \epsilon) \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\omega^T(\beta, \epsilon) \rightarrow 0$  as  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ . Thus linking the established  
288 facts with the estimate (3.12) we get,

$$\omega_0^T(Qx) \leq \frac{L \omega_0^T(X)}{M + \omega_0^T(X)} \tag{3.13}$$

290 Now, taking into account our assumptions, for fixed  $t \in \mathbb{R}_+$  and for  $x, y \in X$  we deduce the  
291 following

$$\begin{aligned}
292 \quad |Qx(t) - Qy(t)| &\leq \frac{L \max\{|x(\alpha(t)) - y(\alpha(t))|\}}{M + \max\{|x(\alpha(t)) - y(\alpha(t))|\}} + \\
293 \quad &\quad \int_0^{\beta(t)} \left[ \left| g(t, s, x(\gamma(s))) \right| + \left| g(t, s, y(\gamma(s))) \right| \right] ds \\
294 \quad &\leq \frac{L \max\{|x(\alpha(t)) - y(\alpha(t))|\}}{M + \max\{|x(\alpha(t)) - y(\alpha(t))|\}} + 2v(t) \\
295 \quad &\leq \frac{L \max\{\text{diam}X(\alpha(t))\}}{M + \max\{\text{diam}X(\alpha(t))\}} + 2v(t)
\end{aligned}$$

296 Hence we obtain

$$\text{diam}(Qx)(t) \leq \frac{L \max\{\text{diam}X(\alpha(t))\}}{M + \max\{\text{diam}X(\alpha(t))\}} + 2v(t)$$

298 In view of assumptions  $(A_0)$  and  $(A_4)$  yields

$$\begin{aligned}
299 \quad \limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} \text{diam}(Qx)(t) &\leq \frac{L \limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} \max\{\text{diam}X(\alpha(t))\}}{M + \limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} \max\{\text{diam}X(\alpha(t))\}} \\
300 \quad &\leq \frac{L \limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} \text{diam}X(t)}{M + \limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} \text{diam}X(t)}
\end{aligned} \tag{3.14}$$

301 Further using the measure of noncompactness  $\mu_a$  defined by the (2.2) and keeping in mind  
302 the estimate (3.13) and (3.14), we get

$$\mu_a(QX) = \max\{\omega_0(Qx), \limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} \text{diam}QX(t)\}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
304 \quad & \leq \max \left\{ \frac{L\omega_0(X)}{M+\omega_0(X)}, \frac{L \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \sup \text{diam}X(t)}{M + \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \sup \text{diam}X(t)} \right\} \\
305 \quad & \leq \frac{L \max \{\omega_0(X), \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \sup \text{diam}QX(t)\}}{M + \max \{\omega_0(X), \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \sup \text{diam}QX(t)\}} \\
306 \quad & = \frac{L\mu_a(X)}{M+\mu_a(X)} \quad 3.15
\end{aligned}$$

307 Since  $L \leq M$  by of assumption (A<sub>2</sub>) from the above estimate,  $\mu_a(QX) \leq \phi(\mu_a(X))$  where  
308  $\phi(r) = \frac{Lr}{M+r} < r$  for  $r > 0$ . Hence we yield theorem (2.1) to deduce that the operator  $Q$  has a  
309 fixed point  $x$  in the ball  $\bar{B}_r(0)$ . Obviously  $x$  is solution of the FIE (3.2) means solution of  
310 FDE (3.1). Moreover taking into account that the image of the space  $BC(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R})$  under the  
311 operator  $Q$  is contained in the ball  $\bar{B}_r(0)$  we infer that the set  $\text{Fix}(Q)$  of all fixed points of  $Q$  is  
312 contained in  $\bar{B}_r(0)$ . Obviously, the set  $\text{Fix}(Q)$  of all contains all solutions of the FIE (3.2)  
313 means FDE (3.1). From remark (2.1) the set  $\text{Fix}(Q)$  belongs to the family  $\text{ker}\mu_a$ . Now, taking  
314 into account the description of sets belonging to  $\text{ker}\mu_a$  we deduce that all solutions for the  
315 FIE(3.2) are globally uniformly attractive on  $\mathbb{R}_+$ . This completes the proof.  
316

317 **Remark:3.2:** When  $q = 0, f(t, x)$  and  $g(t, s, x)$  in our theorem 3.1 we obtain the global  
318 attractivity result for the FDE(3.1). Note that the global attractivity result for (3.3) is also  
319 proved in Banas and Dhage[6] under the same hypothesis, but under the stronger hypothesis  
320 of (A<sub>2</sub>) that  $L < M$ . Therefore, our theorem 3.1 generalize and improve the existence results  
321 of Dhage[3] and Banas and Dhage[6] and thereby the results of Banas and Rezka[5] under  
322 weaker conditions with a new measure of noncompactness in the Banach space  $BC(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R})$ .

323 To prove next result concerning the asymptotic positivity of the attractive solution we  
324 need the following hypothesis in the sequel.

325 (A<sub>5</sub>) The functions  $q$  and  $f$  satisfy

$$326 \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} [|q(t)| - q(t)] = 0 \text{ and } \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} [|f(t, x)| - f(t, x)] = 0 \text{ for all } x \in \mathbb{R}_+.$$

327 **Theorem:3.2:** Under the hypotheses of theorem 3.1 and (A<sub>5</sub>), the FDE (3.1) has at least one  
328 solution on  $\mathbb{R}_+$ . Moreover, solutions of the FDE(3.1) are uniformly globally attractive and  
329 ultimately positive on  $\mathbb{R}_+$ .

330 **Proof:** Consider the closed ball  $\bar{B}_r(0)$  in the Banach space  $BC(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R})$ , where the real number  
331  $r$  is given as in the proof of theorem 3.1 and define a mapping  $Q: BC(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow BC(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R})$   
332 by (3.7). Then it is shown as in the proof of theorem 3.1 that  $Q$  defines a continuous mapping  
333 from the space  $BC(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R})$  into ball  $\bar{B}_r(0)$ . In particular,  $Q$  maps  $\bar{B}_r(0)$  into itself. Next we  
334 show that  $Q$  is a nonlinear-set-contraction with respective to the measure  $\mu_{ad}$  of  
335 noncompactness in Banach space  $BC(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R})$ . We know that for any  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .  
336

337 Now for any  $x \in \bar{B}_r(0)$ , one has

$$\begin{aligned}
338 \quad & ||Qx(t)| - Qx(t)| \leq ||q(t)| - q(t)| + \left| |f(t, x(\alpha(t)))| - f(t, x(\alpha(t))) \right| \\
339 \quad & \quad + \int_0^{\beta(t)} \left| |g(t, s, x(\gamma(s)))| - g(t, s, x(\gamma(s))) \right| ds \\
340 \quad & \leq ||q(t)| - q(t)| + \left| |f(t, x(\alpha(t)))| - f(t, x(\alpha(t))) \right| + 2v(t).
\end{aligned}$$

340 Taking the limit supremum over  $t$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
341 \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \sup |Qx(t)| - Qx(t) | &\leq \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \sup |q(t)| - q(t) | + \\
342 \quad &\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \sup \left| \left| f(t, x(\alpha(t))) \right| - f(t, x(\alpha(t))) \right| \\
&\quad + 2 \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \sup v(t) \\
343 \quad &= 0
\end{aligned}$$

344 for all  $x \in \bar{B}_r(0)$ . This implies that  $\delta(Qx) = 0$  for all subsets  $X$  of  $\bar{B}_r(0)$ . Further, using the  
345 measure of noncompactness  $\mu_a$  defined by the formula (2.2) and keeping in mind the  
346 estimates (3.13) and (3.14), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
347 \quad \mu_{ad}(QX) &= \max\{\mu_{ad}(QX), \delta(QX)\} \\
348 \quad &\leq \max\left\{\frac{L\mu_a(X)}{M+\mu_a(X)}, 0\right\} \\
349 \quad &= \frac{L\mu_a(X)}{M+\mu_a(X)} \\
&\leq \frac{L\mu_{ad}(X)}{M+\mu_{ad}(X)}
\end{aligned}$$

350 Since  $L \leq M$  in view of assumption (A<sub>2</sub>), from the above estimate we infer that  $\mu_{ad}(QX) \leq$   
351  $\phi(\mu_{ad}(X))$ , where  $\phi(r) = \frac{Lr}{M+r} < r$  for  $r > 0$ . Hence we apply theorem 2.2 to deduce that the  
352 operator  $Q$  has a fixed point  $x$  in the ball  $\bar{B}_r(0)$ . Obviously  $x$  is a solution of the FDE (3.1).  
353 Moreover, taking into account that the image of the space  $BC(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R})$  under the operator  $Q$  is  
354 contained in the ball  $\bar{B}_r(0)$  we infer that the set  $\text{Fix}(Q)$  of all fixed points of  $Q$  is contained in  
355  $\bar{B}_r(0)$ . Obviously, the set  $\text{Fix}(Q)$  contains all solutions of all the equation (3.1). On the other  
356 hand, from remark 2.1 we conclude that the set  $\text{Fix}(Q)$  belongs to the family  $\text{ker}\mu_{ad}$  we  
357 deduce that all solutions of the equation (3.1) are uniformly globally attractive and positive  
358 on  $\mathbb{R}_+$ . This completes the Proof.

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