

## DECOMPOSING A CONJUGATE FIXED-POINT PROBLEM INTO MULTIPLE FIXED-POINT PROBLEMS

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**ABSTRACT.** Converting nonlinear boundary value problems to fixed point problems of an integral operator with a Green's function kernel is a common technique to find or approximate solutions of boundary value problems. It is often difficult to apply Banach's Theorem since it is challenging to find an initial estimate with a contractive constant less than one. We decompose the integral operator associated to a conjugate boundary value problem creating multiple fixed point problems which have contractive constants less than one. We then provide conditions for the original boundary value problem to have a solution that can be found by iteration using the decomposition through a fixed point of a real valued function which matches the fixed points of our decomposition.

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### 1. Introduction

The Banach Fixed Point Theorem [2] is a powerful tool that can be used to find solutions of nonlinear initial and boundary value problems that have been converted to fixed point problems. The Picard-Lindelöf Theorem (see the fixed point books by Zeidler [5] or Dugundji-Granas [3]) is used to find unique solutions for a first order nonlinear initial value problem where the key is to restrict the interval so the operator whose fixed points are solutions on the interval is  $k$ -contractive. This is the first manuscript that we are aware of that follows an approach similar to the initial value problem approach by Picard-Lindelöf for boundary value problems, that is, restricting the interval so an associated operator is  $k$ -contractive.

Consider the second-order conjugate boundary value problem given by

$$(1.1) \quad y''(t) + h(y(t)) = 0, \quad t \in (0, 1),$$

$$(1.2) \quad y(0) = 0 = y(1),$$

where  $h : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  is differentiable. The Green's function for (1.1), (1.2) is given by

$$H(t, s) = \begin{cases} t(1 - s) & \text{if } 0 \leq t \leq s \leq 1, \\ s(1 - t) & \text{if } 0 \leq s \leq t \leq 1; \end{cases}$$

and the fixed points of the operator  $T$  defined by

$$(1.3) \quad Ty(t) = \int_0^1 H(t, s)h(y(s)) ds$$

are the solutions of (1.1), (1.2). Define the cone  $P$  of  $C[0, 1]$  by

$$P = \{y \in C[0, 1] : y(0) = 0 = y(1), y \text{ is concave and symmetric}\}.$$

Following an argument similar to that of Avery-Henderson [1], we will show that  $T$  is symmetric then we will decompose the matrix  $T$  using symmetry arguments. For  $y \in P$  and  $t \in [0, 1]$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} (Ty)(1 - t) &= \int_0^1 H(1 - t, s)h(y(s)) ds \\ &= \int_0^{1-t} H(1 - t, s)h(y(s)) ds + \int_{1-t}^1 H(1 - t, s)h(y(s)) ds \\ &= \int_0^{1-t} sth(y(s)) ds + \int_{1-t}^1 (1 - t)(1 - s)h(y(s)) ds \\ &= \int_0^{1-t} sth(y(1 - s)) ds + \int_{1-t}^1 (1 - t)(1 - s)h(y(1 - s)) ds \\ &= \int_1^t -(1 - u)th(y(u)) du + \int_t^0 -(1 - t)ug(y(u)) du \\ &= \int_t^1 (1 - s)th(y(s)) ds + \int_0^t s(1 - t)h(y(s)) ds \\ &= (Ty)(t), \end{aligned}$$

thus we have that  $T : P \rightarrow P$  since for all  $y \in P$  we just verified that  $T$  is symmetric, that is  $Ty(1 - t) = Ty(t)$  for all  $t \in [0, 1]$ , and clearly  $Ty$  is concave since  $(Ty)''(t) = -h(y(t)) < 0$ . Also notice that if  $y \in P$  with  $y(t) = (Ty)(t)$  for all  $t \in [0, \frac{1}{2}]$  then we have that  $y$  is a fixed point of  $T$  by the symmetry of both  $y$  and  $Ty$ . For  $y \in P$  define the concave functional  $\alpha : P \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  by

$$(1.4) \quad \alpha(y) = \min_{t \in [\frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}]} y(t) = y\left(\frac{1}{4}\right),$$

and for  $0 < r < R$  define

$$P(\alpha, r, R) = \{y \in P : r \leq \alpha(y), \|y\| \leq R\},$$

which is referred to as a Leggett-Williams [4] functional wedge. We will search for fixed points of  $T$  in  $P(\alpha, r, R)$ . Note that functional wedges are closed, convex subsets of  $P$ . For  $t, s \in [0, 1]$  define

$$D(t, s) = \min\{t, s\}$$

and note that for  $y \in P$  we can write  $Ty$  as

$$\begin{aligned} (Ty)(t) &= \int_0^1 H(t, s)h(y(s)) ds \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} H(t, s)h(y(s)) ds + \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{3}{4}} H(t, s)h(y(s)) ds + \int_{\frac{3}{4}}^1 H(t, s)h(y(s)) ds \end{aligned}$$

and for  $t \in [0, \frac{1}{4}]$  we can define the operator

$$\begin{aligned} (Jy)(t) &= \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} H(t, s)h(y(s)) ds + \int_{\frac{3}{4}}^1 H(t, s)h(y(s)) ds \\ &= \int_0^t s(1-t)h(y(s)) ds + \int_t^{\frac{1}{4}} t(1-s)h(y(s)) ds + \int_{\frac{3}{4}}^1 t(1-s)h(y(1-s)) ds \\ &= \int_0^t s(1-t)h(y(s)) ds + \int_t^{\frac{1}{4}} t(1-s)h(y(s)) ds + \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^0 -tuh(y(u)) du \\ &= \int_0^t s(1-t)h(y(s)) ds + \int_t^{\frac{1}{4}} t(1-s)h(y(s)) ds + \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} sth(y(s)) ds \\ &= \int_0^t sh(y(s)) ds + \int_t^{\frac{1}{4}} th(y(s)) ds \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} D(t, s) h(y(s)) ds \end{aligned}$$

and for  $t \in [\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}]$  we can define the operator

$$\begin{aligned}
 (Ky)(t) &= \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{3}{4}} H(t,s)h(y(s)) ds \\
 &= \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^t s(1-t)h(y(s)) ds + \int_t^{\frac{1}{2}} t(1-s)h(y(s)) ds + \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{3}{4}} t(1-s)h(y(1-s)) ds \\
 &= \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^t s(1-t)h(y(s)) ds + \int_t^{\frac{1}{2}} t(1-s)h(y(s)) ds + \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{4}} -tuh(y(u)) du \\
 &= \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^t s(1-t)h(y(s)) ds + \int_t^{\frac{1}{2}} t(1-s)h(y(s)) ds + \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} tsh(y(s)) ds \\
 &= \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^t sh(y(s)) ds + \int_t^{\frac{1}{2}} th(y(s)) ds \\
 &= \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D(t,s)h(y(s)) ds.
 \end{aligned}$$

Utilizing the operators  $J$  and  $K$  as well as symmetry we can write the operator  $T$  in the form

$$(Ty)(t) = \begin{cases} (Jy)(t) + 4t(Ky)(\frac{1}{4}) & 0 \leq t \leq \frac{1}{4} \\ (Jy)(\frac{1}{4}) + (Ky)(t) & \frac{1}{4} \leq t \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ (Ty)(1-t) & \frac{1}{2} < t \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

and in what follows we will show how fixed points of operators associated to  $J$  and  $K$  will lead to a fixed point of the operator  $T$  which is a solution of our original boundary value problem (1.1), (1.2). Moreover we will show how one can use the bisection method to create an iterative scheme to approximate a solution of the conjugate boundary value problem (1.1), (1.2).

### 2. Preliminaries

Let

$$Q = \left\{ y \in C \left[ \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2} \right] : y \text{ is non-negative and non-decreasing} \right\},$$

which is a cone in the Banach Space  $B_u = C \left[ \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2} \right]$  with the sup norm, that is, for  $y \in B_u$  let

$$\|y\|_u = \max_{t \in [\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}]} |y(t)|.$$

Furthermore, let

$$S = \left\{ y \in C \left[ 0, \frac{1}{4} \right] : y \text{ is non-negative and increasing with } y(0) = 0 \right\},$$

which is a cone in the Banach Space  $B_\nu = C [0, \frac{1}{4}]$  with the sup norm, that is, for  $y \in B_\nu$  let

$$\|y\|_\nu = \max_{t \in [0, \frac{1}{4}]} |y(t)|.$$

Let

$$Q[r, R] = \left\{ y \in Q : r \leq y(t) \leq R \text{ for all } t \in \left[ \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2} \right] \right\}$$

and

$$S_R = \left\{ y \in S : y(t) \leq R \text{ for all } t \in \left[ 0, \frac{1}{4} \right] \right\}.$$

Our decomposition will involve operators  $A_l : S \rightarrow S$  defined by

$$(2.1) \quad A_l y(t) = \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} D(t, s)h(y(s)) ds + 4tl = Jy(t) + 4tl$$

for each non-negative real number  $l$ , and operators  $D_m : Q \rightarrow Q$  defined by

$$(2.2) \quad D_m y(t) = m + \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D(t, s)h(y(s)) ds = m + Ky(t)$$

for each non-negative real number  $m$ .

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $\tau, R$  be positive real numbers,  $l \in [0, R]$ , and*

(A1)  $h : [0, R] \rightarrow [0, 8R]$  be differentiable;

(A3)  $|h'(a)| \leq \tau < 32$  for all  $a \in [0, R]$ .

For  $a(l, 0) \equiv 0$ , define the recursive sequence

$$a(l, n + 1) = A_l a(l, n)$$

for  $A_l$  given in (2.1), then

$$a(l, n) \rightarrow a^*(l) \in S_R$$

and for  $k_a = \frac{\tau}{32}$ ,

$$\|a^*(l) - a(l, n)\|_\nu \leq \frac{Rk_a^n}{1 - k_a}.$$

*Proof.* Let  $y, z \in S_R$  and for each  $s \in [0, \frac{1}{4}]$ , let  $w(s)$  be between  $y(s)$  and  $z(s)$  such that

$$h(y(s)) - h(z(s)) = h'(w(s))(y(s) - z(s)).$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
\|A_l y - A_l z\|_\nu &= \max_{t \in [0, \frac{1}{4}]} \left| \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} D(t, s) h(y(s)) ds + 4tl - \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} H(t, s) h(z(s)) ds - 4tl \right| \\
&\leq \max_{t \in [0, \frac{1}{4}]} \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} D(t, s) |h(y(s)) - h(z(s))| ds \\
&= \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} D\left(\frac{1}{4}, s\right) |h(y(s)) - h(z(s))| ds \\
&\leq \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} s |h'(w(s))(y(s) - z(s))| ds \\
&\leq \tau \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} s \|y - z\|_\nu ds = \frac{\tau \|y - z\|_\nu}{32}
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
\|A_l y\|_\nu &= \max_{t \in [0, \frac{1}{4}]} \left| \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} D(t, s) h(y(s)) ds + 4tl \right| \\
&= \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} D\left(\frac{1}{4}, s\right) h(y(s)) ds + \frac{l}{4} \\
&\leq \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} 8Rs ds + \frac{R}{4} \\
&\leq \frac{R}{4} + \frac{R}{4} = \frac{R}{2}.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $A_l : S_R \rightarrow S_R$  is a contraction since  $\frac{\tau}{32} < 1$  and  $S_R$  is a closed, convex subset of the Banach space  $B_\nu$ . Therefore by the Banach contraction principle there is an  $a^*(l) \in S_R$  such that  $a(l, n) \rightarrow a^*(l)$ . Thus

$$a^*(l)(t) = \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} H(t, s) h(a^*(l)(s)) ds + 4tl, \quad t \in \left[0, \frac{1}{4}\right].$$

Also, for any natural numbers  $n$  and  $j$  by mathematical induction we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\|a(l, n + j + 1) - a(l, n + j)\|_\nu &= \|A_l a(l, n + j) - A_l a(l, n + j - 1)\|_\nu \\
&\leq k_a \|a(l, n + j) - a(l, n + j - 1)\|_\nu \\
&\leq \dots \leq k_a^j \|a(l, n + 1) - a(l, n)\|_\nu
\end{aligned}$$

hence, for any natural numbers  $n$  and  $p$ , applying the triangle inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|a(l, n + p) - a(l, n)\|_\nu &\leq \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} \|a(l, n + j + 1) - a(l, n + j)\|_\nu \\ &\leq \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} k_a^j \|a(l, n + 1) - a(l, n)\|_\nu \\ &\leq \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} k_a^j \|a(l, n + 1) - a(l, n)\|_\nu \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{1 - k_a}\right) \|a(l, n + 1) - a(l, n)\|_\nu \\ &\leq \left(\frac{k_a^n}{1 - k_a}\right) \|a(l, 1) - a(l, 0)\|_\nu \\ &= \left(\frac{k_a^n}{1 - k_a}\right) \|a(l, 1)\|_\nu \\ &\leq \frac{Rk_a^n}{1 - k_a}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence letting  $p \rightarrow \infty$  we have that

$$\|a^*(l) - a(l, n)\|_\nu \leq \frac{Rk_a^n}{1 - k_a}.$$

This ends the proof. □

**Lemma 2.2.** *Let  $\mu, r, R$  be positive real numbers with  $0 < r < R$ ,  $m \in [0, \frac{R}{4}]$ , and*

(A1)  $h : [0, R] \rightarrow [0, 8R]$  be differentiable;

(A2)  $h(x) \geq 16r$  for  $x \in [r, R]$ ;

(A4)  $|h'(b)| \leq \mu < \frac{32}{3}$  for all  $b \in [0, R]$ .

For  $b_0 \equiv r$  define the recursive sequence

$$b(m, n + 1) = D_m b(m, n)$$

for  $D_m$  given in (2.2), then

$$b(m, n) \rightarrow b^*(m) \in Q[r, R]$$

and for  $k_b = \frac{3\mu}{32}$ ,

$$\|b^*(m) - b(m, n)\|_u \leq \frac{Rk_b^n}{1 - k_b}.$$

*Proof.* Let  $y, z \in Q[r, R]$  and for each  $s \in [\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}]$ , let  $w(s)$  be between  $y(s)$  and  $z(s)$  such that

$$h(y(s)) - h(z(s)) = h'(w(s))(y(s) - z(s)).$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
\|D_m y - D_m z\|_u &= \max_{t \in [\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}]} \left| m + \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D(t, s) h(y(s)) ds - m - \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} H(t, s) h(z(s)) ds \right| \\
&\leq \max_{t \in [\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}]} \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D(t, s) |h(y(s)) - h(z(s))| ds \\
&= \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D\left(\frac{1}{2}, s\right) |h(y(s)) - h(z(s))| ds \\
&\leq \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} s |h'(w(s))(y(s) - z(s))| ds \\
&\leq \mu \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} s \|y - z\|_u ds = \frac{3\mu \|y - z\|_u}{32},
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\|D_m y\|_u &= \max_{t \in [\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}]} \left| m + \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D(t, s) h(y(s)) ds \right| \\
&= m + \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D\left(\frac{1}{2}, s\right) h(y(s)) ds \\
&\leq \frac{R}{4} + \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} 8Rs ds \\
&= \frac{R}{4} + \frac{24R}{32} = R,
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
\alpha(D_m y) &= \min_{t \in [\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}]} \left| m + \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D(t, s) h(y(s)) ds \right| \\
&= m + \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D\left(\frac{1}{4}, s\right) h(y(s)) ds \\
&\geq \left(\frac{1}{4}\right) \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} 16r ds = r.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $D_m : Q[r, R] \rightarrow Q[r, R]$  is a contraction since  $\frac{3\mu}{32} < 1$  and  $Q[r, R]$  is a closed, convex subset of the Banach space  $B_u$ . Therefore by the Banach contraction principle there is an  $b^*(m) \in Q[r, R]$  such that  $b(m, n) \rightarrow b^*(m)$ . Thus

$$b^*(m)(t) = m + \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} H(t, s) h(b^*(m)(s)) ds, \quad t \in \left[\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}\right].$$



Also, for any natural numbers  $n$  and  $j$  by mathematical induction we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|b(m, n + j + 1) - b(m, n + j)\|_u &= \|D_m b(m, n + j) - D_m b(m, n + j - 1)\|_u \\ &\leq k_b \|b(m, n + j) - b(m, n + j - 1)\|_u \\ &\leq \dots \leq k_b^j \|b(m, n + 1) - b(m, n)\|_u \end{aligned}$$

hence, for any natural numbers  $n$  and  $p$ , applying the triangle inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|b(m, n + p) - b(m, n)\|_u &\leq \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} \|b(m, n + j + 1) - b(m, n + j)\|_u \\ &\leq \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} k_b^j \|b(m, n + 1) - b(m, n)\|_u \\ &\leq \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} k_b^j \|b(m, n + 1) - b(m, n)\|_u \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{1 - k_b}\right) \|b(m, n + 1) - b(m, n)\|_u \\ &\leq \left(\frac{k_b^n}{1 - k_b}\right) \|b(m, 1) - b(m, 0)\|_u \\ &\leq \frac{Rk_b^n}{1 - k_b}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence letting  $p \rightarrow \infty$  we have that

$$\|b^*(m) - b(m, n)\|_u \leq \frac{Rk_b^n}{1 - k_b}.$$

This ends the proof. □

For  $l \in [0, R]$  let

$$m(l) = \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} D\left(\frac{1}{4}, s\right) h(a^*(l)(s)) ds = \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} sh(a^*(l)(s)) ds,$$

and define the real valued function  $g$  by

$$(2.3) \quad g(l) = \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D\left(\frac{1}{4}, s\right) h(b^*(m(l))(s)) ds.$$

**Theorem 2.3.** *If  $l \in [0, R]$  and  $l = g(l)$ , then*

$$y_*(t) = \begin{cases} a^*(l)(t) & 0 \leq t \leq \frac{1}{4} \\ b^*(m(l))(t) & \frac{1}{4} \leq t \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ y_*(1 - t) & \frac{1}{2} < t \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

*is a solution of (1.1), (1.2).*

*Proof.* Since

$$l = g(l) = \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D\left(\frac{1}{4}, s\right) h(b^*(m(l))(s)) ds$$

and

$$m(l) = \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} D\left(\frac{1}{4}, s\right) h(a^*(l)(s)) ds,$$

we have that for  $t \in [0, \frac{1}{2}]$

$$\begin{aligned} y_*(t) &= \begin{cases} a^*(l)(t) & 0 \leq t \leq \frac{1}{4} \\ b^*(m(l))(t) & \frac{1}{4} \leq t \leq \frac{1}{2} \end{cases} \\ &= \begin{cases} \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} D(t, s) h(a^*(l)(s)) ds + 4tl & 0 \leq t \leq \frac{1}{4} \\ m(l) + \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D(t, s) h(b^*(m(l))(s)) ds & \frac{1}{4} \leq t \leq \frac{1}{2} \end{cases} \\ &= \begin{cases} \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} D(t, s) h(a^*(l)(s)) ds + 4t \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D\left(\frac{1}{4}, s\right) h(b^*(m(l))(s)) ds & 0 \leq t \leq \frac{1}{4} \\ \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} D\left(\frac{1}{4}, s\right) h(a^*(l)(s)) ds + \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D(t, s) h(b^*(m(l))(s)) ds & \frac{1}{4} \leq t \leq \frac{1}{2} \end{cases} \\ &= \begin{cases} \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} D(t, s) h(a^*(l)(s)) ds + \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} t h(b^*(m(l))(s)) ds & 0 \leq t \leq \frac{1}{4} \\ \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} D(t, s) h(a^*(l)(s)) ds + \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D(t, s) h(b^*(m(l))(s)) ds & \frac{1}{4} \leq t \leq \frac{1}{2} \end{cases} \\ &= \begin{cases} \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} D(t, s) h(y_*(s)) ds + \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D(t, s) h(y_*(s)) ds & 0 \leq t \leq \frac{1}{4} \\ \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} D(t, s) h(y_*(s)) ds + \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D(t, s) h(y_*(s)) ds & \frac{1}{4} \leq t \leq \frac{1}{2} \end{cases} \\ &= \begin{cases} \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} D(t, s) h(y_*(s)) ds & 0 \leq t \leq \frac{1}{4} \\ \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} D(t, s) h(y_*(s)) ds & \frac{1}{4} \leq t \leq \frac{1}{2} \end{cases} \\ &= Ty_*(t) \end{aligned}$$

and since  $Ty_*(t) = Ty_*(1-t)$  for  $t \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1]$  we have that

$$Ty_*(t) = y_*(t)$$

for all  $t \in [0, 1]$ . Therefore  $y_*$  is a fixed point of the operator  $T$  and thus a solution of the boundary value problem (1.1), (1.2).  $\square$

### 3. Main Results

At this stage we have verified the existence of a solution of the boundary value problem (1.1), (1.2) using iterative techniques, provided we can find a fixed point of the real valued function  $g$  by applying Theorem 2.3. In our main results we will show that the real valued function  $g$  under the conditions in Theorem 2.3 has a fixed point, so we know that our boundary value problem will have a solution and we'll show how

to use the power of iteration to get as close to a solution as desired iteratively. Note that the quantity

$$m(l) = \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} D\left(\frac{1}{4}, s\right) h(a^*(l)(s)) ds = \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} sh(a^*(l)(s)) ds$$

is calculated from the  $a^*(l)$  part of our solution on the interval  $[0, \frac{1}{4}]$ , which we will want to approximate. For each natural number  $n$ , from Lemma 2.1 we have that  $a(l, n) \in S_R$  with

$$\|a^*(l) - a(l, n)\|_\nu \leq \frac{Rk_a^n}{1 - k_a}$$

where  $k_a = \frac{\tau}{32}$  and our approximation of  $m(l)$  will be derived from the approximations of  $a^*(l)$  by the elements  $a(l, n)$ . Let

$$m(l, p) = \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} D\left(\frac{1}{4}, s\right) h(a(l, p)(s)) ds = \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} sh(a(l, p)(s)) ds,$$

the next lemma gives an error bound on our approximation of  $m(l)$  by  $m(l, p)$ .

**Lemma 3.1.** *Let  $\mu, \tau, r, R$  be positive real numbers with  $0 < r < R$ , such that*

- (A1)  $h : [0, R] \rightarrow [0, 8R]$  be differentiable;
- (A2)  $h(x) \geq 16r$  for  $x \in [r, R]$ ;
- (A3)  $|h'(a)| \leq \tau < 32$  for all  $a \in [0, R]$ ;
- (A4)  $|h'(b)| \leq \mu < \frac{32}{3}$  for all  $b \in [0, R]$ .

For  $k_a = \frac{\tau}{32}$  and a natural number  $p$ ,

$$\|b^*(m(l)) - b^*(m(l, p))\|_u \leq \frac{\tau R k_a^p}{(32 - 3\mu)(1 - k_a)}$$

and

$$|m(l) - m(l, p)| \leq \frac{\tau R k_a^p}{32(1 - k_a)}.$$

*Proof.* Let  $p$  be a natural number and for each  $s \in [0, \frac{1}{4}]$ , let  $w(s)$  be between  $a^*(l)(s)$  and  $a(l, p)(s)$  such that

$$h(a^*(l)(s)) - h(a(l, p)(s)) = h'(w(s))(a^*(l)(s) - a(l, p)(s))$$

by the mean value theorem, thus from Lemma 2.1 we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 |m(l) - m(l, p)| &= \left| \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} sh(a^*(l)(s)) ds - \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} sh(a(l, p)(s)) ds \right| \\
 &\leq \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} s |h(a^*(l)(s)) - h(a(l, p)(s))| ds \\
 &\leq \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} s |h'(w(s))(a^*(l)(s) - a(l, p)(s))| ds \\
 &\leq \tau \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} s \|a^*(l) - a(l, p)\|_\nu ds \\
 &= \frac{\tau \|a^*(l) - a(l, p)\|_\nu}{32} \\
 &\leq \frac{\tau Rk_a^p}{32(1 - k_a)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 2.2 there exist  $b^*(m(l)), b^*(m(l, p)) \in Q[r, R]$  such that

$$b^*(m(l)) = D_{m(l)}b^*(m(l)) \quad \text{and} \quad b^*(m(l, p)) = D_{m(l, p)}b^*(m(l, p)).$$

For each  $s \in [\frac{1}{4}, 1]$ , let  $z(s)$  be between  $b^*(m(l))(s)$  and  $b^*(m(l, p))(s)$  such that

$$h(b^*(m(l))(s)) - h(b^*(m(l, p))(s)) = h'(z(s))(b^*(m(l))(s) - b^*(m(l, p))(s))$$

by the mean value theorem, hence

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\|b^*(m(l)) - b^*(m(l, p))\|_u \\
 &= \max_{t \in [\frac{1}{4}, 1]} \left| m(l) + \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D(t, s)h(b^*(m(l))(s)) ds \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - m(l, p) - \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D(t, s)h(b^*(m(l, p))(s)) ds \right| \\
 &\leq |m(l) - m(l, p)| + \max_{t \in [\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}]} \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D(t, s) |h(b^*(m(l))(s)) - h(b^*(m(l, p))(s))| ds \\
 &\leq |m(l) - m(l, p)| + \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} s |h'(z(s))(b^*(m(l))(s) - b^*(m(l, p))(s))| ds \\
 &\leq |m(l) - m(l, p)| + \mu \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} s \|b^*(m(l)) - b^*(m(l, p))\|_u ds \\
 &= |m(l) - m(l, p)| + \frac{3\mu \|b^*(m(l)) - b^*(m(l, p))\|_u}{32} \\
 &\leq \frac{\tau Rk_a^p}{32(1 - k_a)} + \frac{3\mu \|b^*(m(l)) - b^*(m(l, p))\|_u}{32}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\|b^*(m(l)) - b^*(m(l, p))\|_u \leq \frac{\tau Rk_a^p}{(32 - 3\mu)(1 - k_a)}.$$

This ends the proof. □

In the following theorem we will show that the function  $g$  is continuous.

**Lemma 3.2.** *Let  $\mu, \tau, r, R$  be positive real numbers with  $0 < r < R$ , such that*

- (A1)  $h : [0, R] \rightarrow [0, 8R]$  be differentiable;
- (A2)  $h(x) \geq 16r$  for  $x \in [r, R]$ ;
- (A3)  $|h'(a)| \leq \tau < 32$  for all  $a \in [0, R]$ ;
- (A4)  $|h'(b)| \leq \mu < \frac{32}{3}$  for all  $b \in [0, R]$ .

Then the function  $g$  given in (2.3) is uniformly continuous on  $[0, \frac{3R}{2}]$ .

*Proof.* If we let  $l, j \in [0, \frac{3R}{2}]$ , then by Lemma 2.1 there exist  $a^*(l), a^*(j) \in S_R$  such that

$$a^*(l) = A_l a^*(l) \quad \text{and} \quad a^*(j) = A_j a^*(l).$$

For each  $s \in [0, \frac{1}{4}]$ , let  $w(s)$  be between  $a^*(l)(s)$  and  $a^*(j)(s)$  such that

$$h(a^*(l)(s)) - h(a^*(j)(s)) = h'(w(s))(a^*(l)(s) - a^*(j)(s))$$

by the mean value theorem, thus

$$\begin{aligned} & \|a^*(l) - a^*(j)\|_\nu \\ &= \max_{t \in [0, \frac{1}{4}]} \left| \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} D(t, s) h(a^*(l)(s)) ds + 4tl - \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} D(t, s) h(a^*(j)(s)) ds - 4tj \right| \\ &\leq \max_{t \in [0, \frac{1}{4}]} \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} D(t, s) |h(a^*(l)(s)) - h(a^*(j)(s))| ds + |l - j| \\ &\leq \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} s |h'(w(s))(a^*(l)(s) - a^*(j)(s))| ds + |l - j| \\ &\leq \tau \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} s \|a^*(l) - a^*(j)\|_\nu ds + |l - j| \\ &= \frac{\tau \|a^*(l) - a^*(j)\|_\nu}{32} + |l - j|. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\|a^*(l) - a^*(j)\|_\nu \leq \frac{32|l - j|}{32 - \tau},$$

and for

$$m(l) = \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} sh(a^*(l)(s)) ds \quad \text{and} \quad m(j) = \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} sh(a^*(j)(s)) ds$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 |m(l) - m(j)| &= \left| \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} sh(a^*(l)(s)) ds - \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} sh(a^*(j)(s)) ds \right| \\
 &\leq \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} s |h(a^*(l)(s)) - h(a^*(j)(s))| ds \\
 &\leq \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} s |h'(w(s))(a^*(l)(s) - a^*(j)(s))| ds \\
 &\leq \tau \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} s \|a^*(l) - a^*(j)\|_\nu ds \\
 &= \frac{\tau \|a_{l^*} - a_{j^*}\|_\nu}{32} \\
 &\leq \frac{\tau |l - j|}{32 - \tau}.
 \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 2.2 there exist  $b^*(m(l)), b^*(m(j)) \in Q[r, R]$  such that

$$b^*(m(l)) = D_{m(l)}b^*(m(l)) \quad \text{and} \quad b^*(m(j)) = D_{m(j)}b^*(m(j)).$$

For each  $s \in [\frac{1}{4}, 1]$ , let  $z(s)$  be between  $b^*(m(l))$  and  $b^*(m(j))$  such that

$$h(b^*(m(l))(s)) - h(b^*(m(j))(s)) = h'(z(s))(b^*(m(l))(s) - b^*(m(j))(s))$$

by the mean value theorem, hence

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\|b^*(m(l)) - b^*(m(j))\|_u \\
 &= \max_{t \in [\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}]} \left| m(l) + \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D(t, s)g(b^*(m(l))(s)) ds - m(j) - \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D(t, s)g(b^*(m(j))(s)) ds \right| \\
 &\leq |m(l) - m(j)| + \max_{t \in [\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}]} \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D(t, s) |h(b^*(m(l))(s)) - h(b^*(m(j))(s))| ds \\
 &\leq |m(l) - m(j)| + \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} s |g'(z(s))(b^*(m(l))(s) - b^*(m(j))(s))| ds \\
 &\leq |m(l) - m(j)| + \mu \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} s \|b^*(m(l)) - b^*(m(j))\|_u ds \\
 &= |m(l) - m(j)| + \frac{3\mu \|b^*(m(l)) - b^*(m(j))\|_u}{32} \\
 &\leq \frac{\tau |l - j|}{32 - \tau} + \frac{3\mu \|b^*(m(l)) - b^*(m(j))\|_u}{32}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\|b^*(m(l)) - b^*(m(j))\|_u \leq \frac{32\tau |l - j|}{(32 - \tau)(32 - 3\mu)},$$

and from the work embedded the argument above we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 |g(l) - g(j)| &= \left| \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D\left(\frac{1}{4}, s\right) h(b^*(m(l))(s)) ds - \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D\left(\frac{1}{4}, s\right) h(b^*(m(j))(s)) ds \right| \\
 &\leq \frac{3\mu \|b^*(m(l)) - b^*(m(j))\|_u}{32} \\
 &\leq \frac{3\mu\tau |l - j|}{(32 - \tau)(32 - 3\mu)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $g$  is uniformly continuous on  $[0, \frac{3R}{2}]$ . □

We have shown that if  $l = g(l)$  then there is a solution given by  $y_*$  in Theorem 2.3. In the following Theorem we show how the bisection method can be used to iterate to a fixed point of the real valued function  $g$ .

**Theorem 3.3.** *Let  $\mu, \tau, r, R$  be positive real numbers with  $0 < r < R$ , such that*

- (A1)  $h : [0, R] \rightarrow [0, 8R]$  be differentiable;
- (A2)  $h(x) \geq 16r$  for  $x \in [r, R]$ ;
- (A3)  $|h'(a)| \leq \tau < 32$  for all  $a \in [0, R]$ ;
- (A4)  $|h'(b)| \leq \mu < \frac{32}{3}$  for all  $b \in [0, R]$ .

Then there exists a  $\psi \in [0, \frac{R}{2}]$  such that  $g(\psi) = \psi$  for  $g$  in (2.3), and thus

$$y_*(t) = \begin{cases} a^*(\psi)(t) & 0 \leq t \leq \frac{1}{4} \\ b^*(m(\psi))(t) & \frac{1}{4} \leq t \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ y_*(1 - t) & \frac{1}{2} \leq t \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

is a solution of (1.1), (1.2). Moreover, there is a sequence  $\{\psi_n\}_{n=0}^\infty \subseteq [0, \frac{R}{2}]$  such that

$$\psi_n \rightarrow \psi$$

with

$$|\psi - \psi_n| \leq \frac{R}{2^{n+2}}.$$

*Proof.* If we let  $l \in [0, \frac{R}{2}]$ , then

$$g(l) = \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D\left(\frac{1}{4}, s\right) h(b^*(m(l))(s)) ds \geq \left(\frac{1}{4}\right) \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} 16r ds = r > 0$$

and

$$g(l) = \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D\left(\frac{1}{4}, s\right) h(b^*(m(l))(s)) ds \leq \left(\frac{1}{4}\right) \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} 8R ds = \frac{R}{2}.$$

Hence  $g : [0, \frac{R}{2}] \rightarrow [0, \frac{R}{2}]$  is a continuous real valued function. By the intermediate value theorem applied to

$$f(x) = g(x) - x,$$

there exists a  $\psi \in [0, \frac{R}{2}]$  such that  $f(\psi) = 0$ , which implies that

$$g(\psi) = \psi$$

and by Theorem 2.3

$$y_*(t) = \begin{cases} a^*(\psi)(t) & 0 \leq t \leq \frac{1}{4} \\ b^*(m(\psi))(t) & \frac{1}{4} \leq t \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ y_*(1-t) & \frac{1}{2} \leq t \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

is a solution of (1.1), (1.2). Let

$$c_0 = 0, d_0 = \frac{R}{2} \text{ and } \psi_0 = \frac{c_0 + d_0}{2}$$

then recursively define the sequences  $\{c_n\}_{n=0}^\infty$ ,  $\{d_n\}_{n=0}^\infty$  and  $\{\psi_n\}_{n=0}^\infty$  by

$$c_{n+1} = \psi_n, d_{n+1} = d_n \text{ and } \psi_{n+1} = \frac{c_{n+1} + d_{n+1}}{2}$$

if  $g(\psi_n) \geq \psi_n$  and

$$c_{n+1} = c_n, d_{n+1} = \psi_n \text{ and } \psi_{n+1} = \frac{c_{n+1} + d_{n+1}}{2}$$

if  $g(\psi_n) < \psi_n$ . Observe that for each natural number  $n$  that

$$h(c_n) \geq c_n \text{ and } h(d_n) \leq d_n$$

thus by the intermediate value theorem there is  $\psi \in [c_n, d_n]$  such that  $h(\psi) = \psi$ . By induction we have that

$$d_n - c_n = \frac{d_{n-1} - c_{n-1}}{2} = \frac{d_0 - c_0}{2^n} = \frac{R}{2^{n+1}}$$

and since  $\psi_n$  is the midpoint of the interval  $[c_n, d_n]$  and  $\psi \in [c_n, d_n]$  we have that

$$|\psi - \psi_n| \leq \frac{R}{2^{n+2}}.$$

This ends the proof. □

Our first approximation of the real valued function  $g(l)$  given by

$$(3.1) \quad g(l) = \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D\left(\frac{1}{4}, s\right) h(b^*(m(l))(s)) ds$$

will be by the function  $g(l, p)$  defined by

$$(3.2) \quad g(l, p) = \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D\left(\frac{1}{4}, s\right) h(b^*(m(l, p))(s)) ds$$

and this will be approximated by the real valued function

$$(3.3) \quad g(l, p, p) = \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D\left(\frac{1}{4}, s\right) h(b(m(l, p), p)(s)) ds.$$

Below we provide the tools to determine the sequence  $\psi_n$  which converges to  $\psi$  where  $g(\psi) = \psi$ . The key to find the sequence  $\{\psi_n\}$  is being able to provide a condition



that when verified tells us that  $g(\psi_n, p, p) - \psi_n$  and  $g(\psi_n) - \psi_n$  are both non-negative or are both non-positive.

**Lemma 3.4.** *Let  $n$  be a whole number,  $p$  be a natural number and suppose that*

$$|g(\psi_n) - g(\psi_n, p, p)| \leq |g(\psi_n, p, p) - \psi_n|$$

then

$$\text{if } g(\psi_n, p, p) \geq \psi_n \text{ then } g(\psi_n) \geq \psi_n$$

and

$$\text{if } g(\psi_n, p, p) < \psi_n \text{ then } g(\psi_n) \leq \psi_n.$$

*Proof.* Either  $g(\psi_n, p, p) \geq \psi_n$  or  $g(\psi_n, p, p) < \psi_n$ .

Claim 1: if  $g(\psi_n, p, p) \geq \psi_n$  then  $g(\psi_n) \geq \psi_n$ . Since

$$\psi_n - g(\psi_n, p, p) \leq g(\psi_n) - g(\psi_n, p, p) \leq g(\psi_n, p, p) - \psi_n$$

we have  $\psi_n < g(\psi_n)$ .

Claim 2: if  $g(\psi_n, p, p) < \psi_n$  then  $g(\psi_n) < \psi_n$ . Since

$$g(\psi_n, p, p) - \psi_n \leq g(\psi_n) - g(\psi_n, p, p) \leq \psi_n - g(\psi_n, p, p)$$

we have  $g(\psi_n) \leq \psi_n$ . □

In the following lemma we provide the justification for  $g(\psi_n) - g(\psi_n, p, p) \rightarrow 0$  as  $p \rightarrow \infty$ , hence the left side of the inequality

$$|g(\psi_n) - g(\psi_n, p, p)| \leq |g(\psi_n, p, p) - \psi_n|$$

from Lemma 3.4 goes to zero as  $p$  goes to infinity.

**Lemma 3.5.** *Let  $n$  be a whole number and  $p$  be a natural number then*

$$|g(\psi_n) - g(\psi_n, p, p)| \leq \frac{(64 - 3\mu)\tau Rk_a^p}{32(32 - 3\mu)(1 - k_a)} + \frac{Rk_b^{p+1}}{1 - k_b}.$$

*Proof.* From Lemma 2.2 we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & |g(\psi_n, p) - g(\psi_n, p, p)| \\
 = & \left| \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D\left(\frac{1}{4}, s\right) h(b^*(m(\psi_n, p))(s)) ds - \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D\left(\frac{1}{4}, s\right) h(b(m(\psi_n, p), p)(s)) ds \right| \\
 = & \left| m(\psi_n, p) + \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D\left(\frac{1}{4}, s\right) h(b^*(m(\psi_n, p))(s)) ds \right. \\
 & \left. - m(\psi_n, p) - \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D\left(\frac{1}{4}, s\right) h(b(m(\psi_n, p), p)(s)) ds \right| \\
 = & \left| b^*(m(\psi_n, p))\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) - b(m(\psi_n, p), p + 1)\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) \right| \\
 \leq & \|b^*(m(\psi_n, p)) - b(m(\psi_n, p), p + 1)\|_u \\
 \leq & \frac{Rk_b^{p+1}}{1 - k_b},
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $k_b = \frac{3\mu}{32}$  and from Lemma 3.1 we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & |g(\psi_n) - g(\psi_n, p)| \\
 = & \left| \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D\left(\frac{1}{4}, s\right) h(b^*(m(\psi_n))(s)) ds - \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D\left(\frac{1}{4}, s\right) h(b^*(m(\psi_n, p))(s)) ds \right| \\
 = & \left| m(\psi_n) + \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D\left(\frac{1}{4}, s\right) h(b^*(m(\psi_n))(s)) ds \right. \\
 & \left. - m(\psi_n, p) - \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} D\left(\frac{1}{4}, s\right) h(b^*(m(\psi_n, p))(s)) ds - (m(\psi_n) - m(\psi_n, p)) \right| \\
 = & \left| b^*(\psi_n)\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) - b^*(m(\psi_n, p))\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) - (m(\psi_n) - m(\psi_n, p)) \right| \\
 \leq & \|b^*(m(\psi_n)) - b^*(m(\psi_n, p))\|_u + |(m(\psi_n) - m(\psi_n, p))| \\
 \leq & \frac{\tau Rk_a^p}{(32 - 3\mu)(1 - k_a)} + \frac{\tau Rk_a^p}{32(1 - k_a)} = \frac{(64 - 3\mu)\tau Rk_a^p}{32(32 - 15\mu)(1 - k_a)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
 |g(\psi_n) - g(\psi_n, p, p)| & \leq |g(\psi_n) - g(\psi_n, p)| + |g(\psi_n, p) - g(\psi_n, p, p)| \\
 & \leq \frac{(64 - 3\mu)\tau Rk_a^p}{32(32 - 3\mu)(1 - k_a)} + \frac{Rk_b^{p+1}}{1 - k_b}.
 \end{aligned}$$

This ends the proof. □

Note that for every whole number  $n$  we have that

$$\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} |g(\psi_n) - g(\psi_n, p, p)| = 0.$$

In the Theorem below we summarize the iterative scheme which will converge to a solution of (1.1), (1.2).

**Theorem 3.6.** *Let  $\mu, \tau, r, R$  be positive real numbers with  $0 < r < R$ , such that*

- (A1)  $h : [0, R] \rightarrow [0, 8R]$  be differentiable;
- (A2)  $h(x) \geq 16r$  for  $x \in [r, R]$ ;
- (A3)  $|h'(a)| \leq \tau < 32$  for all  $a \in [0, R]$ ;
- (A4)  $|h'(b)| \leq \mu < \frac{32}{3}$  for all  $b \in [0, R]$ .

*Then there exists an iterative scheme converging to a solution of (1.1), (1.2).*

*Proof.* For natural numbers  $n$  and  $p$  let

$$y_{n,p}(t) = \begin{cases} a(\psi_n, p)(t) & 0 \leq t \leq \frac{1}{4} \\ b(m(\psi_n, p), p)(t) & \frac{1}{4} \leq t \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ y_{n,p}(1-t) & \frac{1}{2} \leq t \leq 1. \end{cases}$$

From the work in Lemma 3.2 we have

$$\|a^*(\psi) - a^*(\psi_n)\|_\nu \leq \frac{32|\psi - \psi_n|}{32 - \tau}$$

and from the work on Lemma 2.1 we have

$$\|a^*(\psi_n) - a(\psi_n, p)\|_\nu \leq \frac{Rk_a^p}{1 - k_a}$$

for  $k_a = \frac{\tau}{32}$ , thus we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|a^*(\psi) - a(\psi_n, p)\|_\nu &\leq \|a^*(\psi) - a^*(\psi_n)\|_\nu + \|a^*(\psi_n) - a(\psi_n, p)\|_\nu \\ &\leq \frac{32|\psi - \psi_n|}{32 - \tau} + \frac{Rk_a^p}{1 - k_a}. \end{aligned}$$

From the work in Lemma 3.2 we have

$$\|b^*(m(\psi)) - b^*(m(\psi_n))\|_u \leq \frac{32\tau|\psi - \psi_n|}{(32 - \tau)(32 - 3\mu)}$$

and from the work in Lemma 3.1 we have

$$\|b^*(m(\psi_n)) - b^*(m(\psi_n, p))\|_u \leq \frac{\tau Rk_a^p}{(32 - 3\mu)(1 - k_a)}$$

and from the work in Lemma 2.2 we have

$$\|b^*(m(\psi_n, p)) - b(m(\psi_n, p), p)\|_u \leq \frac{Rk_b^p}{1 - k_b}$$

thus we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \|b^*(m(\psi)) - b(m(\psi_n, p), p)\|_u \\ \leq & \|b^*(m(\psi)) - b^*(m(\psi_n))\|_u + \|b^*(m(\psi_n)) - b^*(m(\psi_n, p))\|_u \\ & + \|b^*(m(\psi_n, p)) - b(m(\psi_n, p), p)\|_u \\ \leq & \frac{32\tau|\psi - \psi_n|}{(32 - \tau)(32 - 3\mu)} + \frac{\tau Rk_a^p}{(32 - 3\mu)(1 - k_a)} + \frac{Rk_b^p}{1 - k_b}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\|y_* - y_{n,p}\| \leq \max\{\|a^*(\psi) - a(\psi_n, p)\|_\nu, \|b^*(m(\psi)) - b(m(\psi_n, p), p)\|_u\}.$$

For  $\epsilon_n = \frac{1}{n}$  let  $N_n$  be a natural number such that

$$\max\left\{\frac{32\tau|\psi - \psi_n|}{(32 - \tau)(32 - 3\mu)}, \frac{32|\psi - \psi_n|}{32 - \tau}\right\} < \frac{\epsilon_n}{2}$$

and let  $P_n$  be a natural number such that

$$\max\left\{\frac{\tau Rk_a^p}{(32 - 3\mu)(1 - k_a)} + \frac{Rk_b^p}{1 - k_b}, \frac{Rk_a^p}{1 - k_a}\right\} < \frac{\epsilon_n}{2}.$$

For every natural number  $n$  define

$$z_n = y_{N_n, P_n}$$

thus

$$\|y_* - z_n\| \leq \max\{\|a^*(\psi) - a(\psi_{N_n}, P_n)\|_\nu, \|b^*(m(\psi)) - b(m(\psi_{N_n}, P_n), P_n)\|_u\} < \epsilon_n$$

so  $\{z_n\}$  is a sequence of functions that converges to  $y_*$  a solution of (1.1), (1.2). This ends the proof.  $\square$

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