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LIÉNARD TYPE P-LAPLACIAN NEUTRAL RAYLEIGH EQUATION WITH A DEVIATING ARGUMENT

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ABSTRACT. Based on Manásevich-Mawhin continuation theorem, we prove the existence of periodic solutions for Liénard type *p*-Laplacian neutral Rayleigh equations with a deviating argument,

 $(\phi_p(x(t) - cx(t - \sigma))')' + f(x(t))x'(t) + g(t, x(t - \tau(t))) = e(t).$ An example is provided to illustrate our results.

1. INTRODUCTION

The existence of periodic solutions for Liénard type p-Laplacian equation with a deviating argument

$$(\phi_p(x'(t)))' + f(x(t))x'(t) + g(t, x(t - \tau(t))) = e(t)$$
(1.1)

has been studied using the coincidence degree theory [1]. Zhu and Lu [6], studied the existence of periodic solution for *p*-Laplacian neutral functional differential equation with a deviating argument when p > 2

$$(\phi_p(x(t) - cx(t - \sigma))')' + g(t, x(t - \tau(t))) = e(t).$$
(1.2)

They obtained some results by transforming (1.2) into a two-dimensional system to which Mawhin's continuation theorem was applied.

Peng [4] discussed the existence of periodic solution for p-Laplacian neutral Rayleigh equation with a deviating argument

$$(\phi_p(x(t) - cx(t - \sigma))')' + f(x'(t)) + g(t, x(t - \tau(t))) = e(t)$$
(1.3)

and obtained the existence of periodic solutions under the assumption f(0) = 0 and $\int_0^T e(t)dt = 0$.

Throughout this paper, 2 is a fixed real number. The conjugate exponent of <math>p is denoted by q; i.e., $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$. Let $\phi_p : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ be defined by $\phi_p(s) = |s|^{p-2}s$ for $s \neq 0$, and $\phi_p(0) = 0$. In this article, we will investigate the existence of periodic solution to the Liénard type p-Laplacian neutral Rayleigh equation

$$(\phi_p(x(t) - cx(t - \sigma))')' + f(x(t))x'(t) + g(t, x(t - \tau(t))) = e(t)$$
(1.4)

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where f, e and τ are real continuous functions on \mathbb{R} . τ and e are periodic with period T, T > 0 is fixed. g is continuous function defined on \mathbb{R}^2 and T-periodic in the first argument, c and σ are constants such that $|c| \neq 1$.

2. Preliminaries

Let $C_T = \{x \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}) : x(t+T) = x(t)\}$ and $\mathcal{C}_T^1 = \{x \in \mathcal{C}^1(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}) : x(t+T) = x(t)\}$. C_T is a Banach space endowed with the norm $||x||_{\infty} = \max |x(t)|_{t \in [0,T]}$. \mathcal{C}_T^1 is a Banach space endowed with the norm $||x|| = \max\{||x||_{\infty}, ||x'||_{\infty}\}$. In what follows, we will use $||.||_p$ to denote the L^P -norm. We also define a linear operator $A : \mathcal{C}_T \to \mathcal{C}_T$,

$$(Ax)(t) = x(t) - cx(t - \sigma).$$

Lemma 2.1 ([2, 5]). If $|c| \neq 1$, then A has continuous bounded inverse on C_T , and

(1) $||A^{-1}x||_{\infty} \leq \frac{||x||_{\infty}}{|1-|c||}$, for all $x \in C_T$; (2)

$$(A^{-1}x)(t) = \begin{cases} \sum_{j\geq 0} c^j x(t-j\sigma), & |c| < 1\\ -\sum_{j\geq 1} c^{-j} x(t+j\sigma), & |c| > 1. \end{cases}$$

(3)

$$\int_{0}^{T} |(A^{-1}x)(t)| dt \le \frac{1}{|1-|c||} \int_{0}^{T} |x(t)| dt, \quad \forall x \in \mathcal{C}_{T}.$$

Lemma 2.2 ([4]). If $|c| \neq 1$ and p > 1, then

$$\int_{0}^{T} |(A^{-1}x)(t)|^{p} dt \leq \frac{1}{|1-|c||^{p}} \int_{0}^{T} |x(t)|^{p} dt, \quad \forall x \in \mathcal{C}_{T}.$$
(2.1)

For the T-periodic boundary value problem

$$(\phi_p(x'(t)))' = \tilde{f}(t, x, x'), \quad x(0) = x(T), \quad x'(0) = x'(T),$$
 (2.2)

where $\widetilde{f} \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^3, \mathbb{R})$, we have the following result.

Lemma 2.3 ([3]). Let Ω be an open bounded set in C_T^1 , and let the following conditions hold:

(i) For each $\lambda \in (0, 1)$, the problem

$$(\phi_p(x'(t)))' = \lambda f(t, x, x'), \quad x(0) = x(T), \quad x'(0) = x'(T)$$

has no solution on $\partial\Omega$.

(ii) The equation

$$F(a) = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \widetilde{f}(t, a, 0) dt = 0$$

has no solution on $\partial \Omega \cap \mathbb{R}$.

(iii) The Brouwer degree of F, $\deg(F, \Omega \cap \mathbb{R}, 0) \neq 0$.

Then the T-periodic boundary value problem (2.2) has at least one periodic solution on $\overline{\Omega}$.

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3. Main results

Theorem 3.1. Suppose that p > 2 and there exist constants $r_1 \ge 0$, $r_2 \ge 0$, d > 0and k > 0 such that

- (A1) $|f(x)| \le k + r_1 |x|^{p-2}$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}$;
- (A2) x[g(t,x) e(t)] < 0 for |x| > d and $t \in \mathbb{R}$; (A3) $\lim_{x \to -\infty} \frac{|g(t,x) e(t)|}{|x|^{p-1}} = r_2.$

Then (1.4) has at least one *T*-periodic solution if

$$\frac{1}{2^{p-1}}(1+|c|)T^{p-1}(r_1+Tr_2) < |1-|c||^p.$$

Proof. Consider the homotopic equation of (1.4) as follows:

$$(\phi_p(x(t) - cx(t - \sigma))')' + \lambda f(x(t))x'(t) + \lambda g(t, x(t - \tau(t))) = \lambda e(t), \quad \lambda \in (0, 1).$$
(3.1)

We claim that the set of all possible periodic solution of (3.1) are bounded in \mathcal{C}_T^1 .

Let $x(t) \in \mathcal{C}_T^1$ be an arbitrary solution of (3.1) with period T. By integrating two sides of (3.1) over [0,T], and noticing that x'(0) = x'(T), we have

$$\int_0^T [g(t, x(t - \tau(t))) - e(t)]dt = 0.$$
(3.2)

By the integral mean value theorem, there is a constant $\xi \in [0,T]$ such that $g(\xi, x(\xi - \tau(\xi))) - e(\xi) = 0$. So from assumption (A2), we can get $|x(\xi - \tau(\xi))| \le d$. Let $\xi - \tau(\xi) = mT + \overline{\xi}$, where $\overline{\xi} \in [0, T]$, and m is an integer. Then, we have

$$|x(t)| = |x(\overline{\xi}) + \int_{\overline{\xi}}^{t} x'(s)ds| \le d + \int_{\overline{\xi}}^{t} |x'(s)|ds, \quad t \in [\overline{\xi}, \overline{\xi} + T],$$

and

$$|x(t)| = |x(t-T)| = |x(\overline{\xi}) - \int_{t-T}^{\overline{\xi}} x'(s)ds| \le d + \int_{t-T}^{\overline{\xi}} |x'(s)|ds, \quad t \in [\overline{\xi}, \overline{\xi} + T].$$

Combining the above two inequalities, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|x\|_{\infty} &= \max_{t \in [0,T]} |x(t)| = \max_{t \in [\overline{\xi}, \overline{\xi} + T]} |x(t)| \\ &\leq \max_{t \in [\overline{\xi}, \overline{\xi} + T]} \left\{ d + \frac{1}{2} \Big(\int_{\overline{\xi}}^{t} |x'(s)| ds + \int_{t-T}^{\overline{\xi}} |x'(s)| ds \Big) \right\} \\ &\leq d + \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{T} |x'(s)| ds. \end{aligned}$$
(3.3)

In view of $\frac{1}{2^{p-1}}(1+|c|)T^{p-1}(r_1+Tr_2) < |1-|c||^p$, there exist a constant $\varepsilon > 0$ such that that

$$\frac{1}{2^{p-1}}(1+|c|)T^{p-1}(r_1+T(r_2+\varepsilon)) < |1-|c||^p.$$

From assumption (A3), there exist a constant $\rho > d$ such that

$$|g(t, x(t-\tau(t))) - e(t)|dt \le (r_2 + \varepsilon)|x|^{p-1} \quad for \ t \in \mathbb{R} \ and \ x < -\rho.$$
(3.4)

Denote $E_1 = \{t \in [0,T], x(t-\tau(t)) \le -\rho\}, E_2 = \{t \in [0,T], |x(t-\tau(t))| < \rho\},\$ $E_3 = \{t \in [0, T], x(t - \tau(t)) \ge \rho\}$. By (3.2), it is easy to see that

$$\left(\int_{E_1} + \int_{E_2} + \int_{E_3}\right) [g(t, x(t - \tau(t))) - e(t)]dt = 0.$$
(3.5)

Hence

$$\int_{E_3} |g(t, x(t - \tau(t))) - e(t)| dt = -\int_{E_3} [g(t, x(t - \tau(t))) - e(t)] dt$$

$$= \left(\int_{E_1} + \int_{E_2}\right) [g(t, x(t - \tau(t))) - e(t)] dt \quad (3.6)$$

$$\leq \left(\int_{E_1} + \int_{E_2}\right) |g(t, x(t - \tau(t))) - e(t)| dt.$$

Therefore, by (3.4) and (3.6), we obtain

$$\int_{0}^{T} |g(t, x(t - \tau(t))) - e(t)| dt = \left(\int_{E_{1}} + \int_{E_{2}} + \int_{E_{3}} \right) |g(t, x(t - \tau(t))) - e(t)| dt$$

$$\leq 2 \left(\int_{E_{1}} + \int_{E_{2}} \right) |g(t, x(t - \tau(t))) - e(t)| dt$$

$$\leq 2 \int_{E_{1}} (r_{2} + \varepsilon) |x(t - \tau(t))|^{p-1} dt + 2\tilde{g}_{\rho} T$$

$$\leq 2 (r_{2} + \varepsilon) T ||x||_{\infty}^{p-1} + 2\tilde{g}_{\rho} T.$$
(3.7)

Where $\widetilde{g}_{\rho} = \max_{t \in E_2} |g(t, x(t - \tau(t))) - e(t)|$. Multiplying both sides of (3.1) by $(Ax)(t) = x(t) - cx(t - \sigma)$ and integrating them over [0, T], we have

$$\|Ax'\|_{p}^{p} = \lambda \int_{0}^{T} (Ax)(t) \left[f(x(t))x'(t) + g(t, x(t - \tau(t))) - e(t) \right] dt$$

$$\leq (1 + |c|) \|x\|_{\infty} \int_{0}^{T} \left[|f(x(t))x'(t)| + |g(t, x(t - \tau(t))) - e(t)| \right] dt.$$
(3.8)

From assumption (A1), we obtain.

$$\int_{0}^{T} |f(x(t))x'(t)| dt \le k \int_{0}^{T} |x'(t)| dt + r_1 \int_{0}^{T} |x'(t)| |x(t)|^{p-2} dt.$$
(3.9)

Using Hölder inequality, and substituting (3.3) into (3.9), we obtain

$$\int_{0}^{T} |f(x(t))x'(t)|dt \le kT^{1/q} ||x'||_{p} + r_{1}T^{1/q} ||x'||_{p} \left(d + \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{T} |x'(t)|dt\right)^{p-2}.$$
 (3.10)

From (3.3) and (3.7), we have

$$\int_{0}^{T} |g(t, x(t-\tau(t))) - e(t)| dt \le 2 \,\widetilde{g}_{\rho} \, T + 2(r_2 + \varepsilon) T \left(d + \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{T} |x'(t)| dt \right)^{p-1}.$$
 (3.11)

Substituting (3.10), (3.11) and (3.3) into (3.8), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|Ax'\|_{p}^{p} \\ &\leq (1+|c|) \Big[kT^{1/q} \|x'\|_{p} \Big(d + \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{T} |x'(t)| dt \Big) \\ &+ \Big(d + \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{T} |x'(t)| dt \Big)^{p-1} r_{1} T^{1/q} \|x'\|_{p} \\ &+ 2(r_{2} + \varepsilon) T \Big(d + \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{T} |x'(t)| dt \Big)^{p} + 2\widetilde{g}_{\rho} T \Big(d + \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{T} |x'(t)| dt \Big) \Big]. \end{aligned}$$
(3.12)

Case(1). If $\int_0^T |x'(t)| dt = 0$, from (3.3), we have $||x||_{\infty} < d$.

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Case(2). If
$$\int_0^T |x'(t)| dt > 0$$
, then
 $\left(d + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T |x'(t)| dt\right)^{p-1} = \left(\frac{1}{2} \int_0^T |x'(t)| dt\right)^{p-1} \left(1 + \frac{2d}{\int_0^T |x'(t)| dt}\right)^{p-1}$. (3.13)

By elementary analysis, there is a constant $\delta > 0$ such that

$$(1+u)^{p-1} \le 1+pu, \quad \forall u \in [0,\delta].$$
 (3.14)

If $2d / \int_0^T |x'(t)| dt > \delta$, then $\int_0^T |x'(t)| dt < 2d/\delta$, so from (3.3), we have $||x||_{\infty} < d + (d/\delta)$. If $2d / \int_0^T |x'(t)| dt \le \delta$, by (3.13) and (3.14),

$$\begin{pmatrix} d + \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{T} |x'(t)| dt \end{pmatrix}^{p-1} \\ \leq \left(\frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{T} |x'(t)| dt \right)^{p-1} \left(1 + \frac{2pd}{\int_{0}^{T} |x'(t)| dt} \right) \\ \leq \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{p-1} \left(\int_{0}^{T} |x'(t)| dt \right)^{p-1} + \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{p-2} pd \left(\int_{0}^{T} |x'(t)| dt \right)^{p-2} \\ \leq \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{p-1} T^{\frac{p-1}{q}} \|x'\|_{p}^{p-1} + \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{p-2} pd T^{\frac{p-2}{q}} \|x'\|_{p}^{p-2}.$$

$$(3.15)$$

Similarly, from (3.14), there is a constant $\delta' > 0$ such that

$$(1+u)^p \le 1 + (1+p)u, \quad \forall u \in [0, \delta']$$
 (3.16)

If $2d / \int_0^T |x'(t)| dt > \delta'$, then $\int_0^T |x'(t)| dt < 2d/\delta'$, so from (3.3), we have $||x||_{\infty} < d + (d/\delta')$. If $2d / \int_0^T |x'(t)| dt \le \delta'$, by (3.16), we have

$$\begin{pmatrix} d + \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{T} |x'(t)| dt \end{pmatrix}^{p} \\ \leq \left(\frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{T} |x'(t)| dt \right)^{p} \left(1 + \frac{2(p+1)d}{\int_{0}^{T} |x'(t)| dt} \right) \\ \leq \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{p} \left(\int_{0}^{T} |x'(t)| dt \right)^{p} + \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{p-1} (p+1)d \left(\int_{0}^{T} |x'(t)| dt \right)^{p-1} \\ \leq \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{p} T^{\frac{p}{q}} \|x'\|_{p}^{p} + \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{p-1} (p+1)dT^{\frac{p-1}{q}} \|x'\|_{p}^{p-1}.$$

$$(3.17)$$

Substituting (3.15) and (3.17) into (3.12) and using Hölder inequality, we obtain

$$||Ax'||_{p}^{p} \leq (1+|c|)\left[\left(\frac{1}{2^{p-1}}(r_{2}+\varepsilon)T^{p}+\frac{1}{2^{p-1}}r_{1}T^{\frac{p}{q}}\right)||x'||_{p}^{p}+a_{0}||x'||_{p}^{p-1} +a_{1}||x'||_{p}^{2}+a_{2}||x'||_{p}+2\widetilde{g}_{\rho}Td\right],$$
(3.18)

where a_0, a_1 and a_2 are constants depending on T, r_1, k, r_2, d, p and c. Then from Lemma(2.2), we have

$$|1 - |c||^p ||x'||_p^p = |1 - |c||^p ||A^{-1}Ax'||_p^p \le ||Ax'||_p^p.$$

So it follows from (3.18) that

$$|1 - |c||^{p} ||x'||_{p}^{p} \leq (1 + |c|) [(\frac{1}{2^{p-1}} T^{p-1} (r_{1} + T(r_{2} + \varepsilon))) ||x'||_{p}^{p} + a_{0} ||x'||_{p}^{p-1} + a_{1} ||x'||_{p}^{2} + a_{2} ||x'||_{p} + 2\tilde{g}_{\rho} Td].$$

$$(3.19)$$

As p > 2 and $\frac{1}{2^{p-1}}(1+|c|)T^{p-1}(r_1+Tr_2) < |1-|c||^p$, there exists a constant $R_3 > 0$ such that

$$\|x'\|_p \le R_3. \tag{3.20}$$

Which together with (3.3) implies that there is a positive number R_4 such that

$$\|x\|_{\infty} \le R_4. \tag{3.21}$$

From (3.1), we have

$$\int_{0}^{T} |(\phi_{p}(Ax')(t))'| dt
\leq \int_{0}^{T} [|f(x(t))x'(t)| + |g(t, x(t - \tau(t))) + |e(t)|] dt
\leq kT^{1/q} ||x'||_{p} + \int_{0}^{T} r_{1} |x|^{p-2} |x'(t)| + Tg_{R_{4}} + \int_{0}^{T} |e(t)| dt$$

$$\leq kT^{1/q} ||x'||_{p} + r_{1} ||x||_{\infty}^{p-2} T^{1/q} ||x'||_{p} + Tg_{R_{4}} + \int_{0}^{T} |e(t)| dt$$

$$\leq kT^{1/q} R_{3} + r_{1} R_{4}^{p-2} T^{1/q} R_{3} + Tg_{R_{4}} + \int_{0}^{T} |e(t)| dt = R_{5},$$
(3.22)

where $g_{R_4} = \max_{|x| \le R_4, t \in [0,T]} |g(t, x(t-\tau(t)))|$. As (Ax)(0) = (Ax)(T), there exists $t_0 \in [0, T[$ such that $(Ax')(t_0) = 0$, while $\phi_p(0) = 0$ we see $\phi_p(Ax')(t_0) = 0$. Thus, for any $t \in [0, T]$, we have

$$|\phi_p(Ax')(t))| = |\int_{t_0}^t \phi_p(Ax')(s))ds| \le \int_0^T |(\phi_p(Ax')(s))'|dt \le R_5.$$

From which, it follows that

$$||Ax'||_{\infty} \le R_5^{q-1}.$$
 (3.23)

From Lemma 2.1, we derive

$$\|x'\|_{\infty} = \|A^{-1}Ax'\|_{\infty} \le \frac{\|Ax'\|_{\infty}}{|1-|c||} \le \frac{R_5^{q-1}}{|1-|c||} = R_6.$$
(3.24)

Now, let y(t) = (Ax)(t), we can see that (3.1) is equivalent to the equation

$$(\phi_p(y'(t)))' + \lambda f((A^{-1}y)(t))(A^{-1}y')(t) + \lambda g(t, (A^{-1}y)(t - \tau(t))) = \lambda e(t).$$
(3.25)

So, if y is an periodic solution of (3.25), then $x = A^{-1}y$ is T-periodic solution of (3.1).

Let $R_7 = 2(1 + |c|) \max\{R_4, R_6, d\}, \ \Omega = \{y \in C_T^1 : ||y|| < R_7\}$, we can see that (3.25) has no solution on $\partial\Omega$ for $\lambda \in (0, 1)$. In fact, if y = Ax is a solution (3.25) on $\partial\Omega$, then $||y|| = R_7, ||y||_{\infty} = R_7$ or $||y'||_{\infty} = R_7$. If $||y||_{\infty} = R_7$, then $||x||_{\infty} \geq \frac{||y||_{\infty}}{1+|c|} = 2 \max\{R_4, R_6, d\} > R_4$, from (3.21) which is a contradiction.

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Similarly, $||y'||_{\infty} = R_7$ is also impossible. If $y \in \partial\Omega \cap \mathbb{R}$, then y is a constant and $|y| = R_7$, $x = A^{-1}y = \frac{y}{1-c}$, $|x| \ge 2 \max\{R_4, R_6, d\}$. Let

$$F(y) = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T [e(t) - f((A^{-1}y)(t))(A^{-1}y')(t) - g(t, (A^{-1}y)(t - \tau(t)))].$$

Then $F(y) = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T [e(t) - g(t, \frac{y}{1-c})] dt$ for $y \in \partial \Omega \cap \mathbb{R}$. From (A2), we know that $F(y) \neq 0$ on $\partial \Omega \cap \mathbb{R}$, so condition (ii) in Lemma 2.3 is satisfied. Define

$$H(y,\mu) = \mu(A^{-1}y) + (1-\mu)F(y),$$

 $y \in \partial \Omega \cap \mathbb{R}, \mu \in [0,1]$. Then

$$(-A^{-1}y)H(y,\mu) = -\mu(A^{-1}y)^2 - (1-\mu)(A^{-1}y)\frac{1}{T}\int_0^T [e(t) - g(t, (A^{-1}y)(t-\tau(t)))]dt.$$

From (A2) we obtain $(A^{-1}y)H(y,\mu) > 0$. Thus $H(y,\mu)$ is a homotopic transformation and deg $[F, \Omega \cap \mathbb{R}, 0] = \text{deg}[A^{-1}y, \Omega \cap \mathbb{R}, 0] \neq 0$. So, for (3.25), all of conditions of Lemma 2.3 are satisfied. Applying Lemma 2.3, we conclude that

$$(\phi_p(y'(t)))' + f((A^{-1}y)(t))(A^{-1}y')(t) + g(t, (A^{-1}y)(t - \tau(t))) = e(t)$$
(3.26)

has at least one *T*-periodic solution \overline{y} . Therefore, $\overline{x} = A^{-1}\overline{y}$ is an *T*-periodic solution of (1.4).

Similarly, we can prove the following Theorem.

Theorem 3.2. Suppose that p > 2 and that there exist constants $r_1 \ge 0$, $r_2 \ge 0$, d > 0 and k > 0 such that

(A1) $|f(x)| \le k + r_1 |x|^{p-2}$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}$; (A2) x[g(t,x) - e(t)] < 0 for |x| > d and $t \in \mathbb{R}$; (A3) $\lim_{x \to +\infty} \frac{|g(t,x) - e(t)|}{|x|^{p-1}} = r_2$.

then (1.4) has at least one T-periodic solution if

$$\frac{1}{2^{p-1}}(1+|c|)T^{p-1}(r_1+Tr_2) < |1-|c||^p.$$

4. Example

In this section, we illustrate Theorem 3.1 with the following example. Consider the equation

$$(\phi_3(x(t) - 5x(t - \pi))')' + f(x(t))x'(t) + g(t, x(t - \sin(t))) = e^{\cos^2 t}, \qquad (4.1)$$

where $p = 3, c = 5, \sigma = 4, T = 2\pi, \tau(t) = \sin t, e(t) = e^{\cos^2 t}, f(x) = 2 + \frac{\sqrt{|x|}}{\pi^2},$

$$g(t,x) = \begin{cases} -xe^{\sin^2 t}, & x \ge 0\\ \frac{x^2}{18\pi^2}, & x < 0. \end{cases}$$

Let $d = 3\pi\sqrt{2e}$, $r_1 = \frac{1}{\pi^2}$, $r_2 = \frac{1}{18\pi^2}$, $k = 4 + \frac{\max_{|x| \le 1} |f(x)|}{\pi^2}$. We can easily check the condition (A1), (A2) and (A3) of Theorem 3.1 hold. Furthermore,

$$\frac{1}{2^{p-1}}(1+|c|)T^{p-1}(r_1+Tr_2) = 6 + \frac{2\pi}{3} < |1-|c||^p = 64.$$

By Theorem 3.1, (4.1) has at least one 2π -periodic solution.

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