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**EXISTENCE AND SOLUTION SETS FOR SYSTEMS  
OF IMPULSIVE DIFFERENTIAL INCLUSIONS**

**Abstract.** In this paper, we consider the existence of solutions and some properties of the set of solutions, as well as the solution operator for a system of differential inclusions with impulse effects. For the Cauchy problem, under various assumptions on the nonlinear term, we present several existence results. We appeal to some fixed point theorems in vector metric spaces. Finally, we prove some characterizing geometric properties about the structure of the solution set such as  $AR$ ,  $R_\delta$ , contractibility and acyclicity, with these properties corresponding to Aronszajn–Browder–Gupta type results.

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## 1 Introduction

Differential equations with impulses were considered for the first time by Milman and Myshkis [41] and then followed by a period of active research which culminated with the monograph by Halanay and Wexler [31]. The dynamics of many processes in physics, population dynamics, biology, medicine, and so on, may be subject to abrupt changes such as shocks or perturbations (see, e.g., [1, 39, 40] and the references therein). These perturbations may be seen as impulses. For instance, in the periodic treatment of some diseases, impulses correspond to the administration of a drug treatment. In environmental sciences, impulses correspond to seasonal changes of the water level of artificial reservoirs. Their models are described by impulsive differential equations and inclusions. Important contributions to the study of the mathematical aspects of such equations have been undertaken in [25, 37, 50] among others.

In this work, we consider the following problem:

$$\begin{cases} x'(t) \in F_1(t, x(t), y(t)), & \text{a.e. } t \in [0, 1], \\ y'(t) \in F_2(t, x(t), y(t)), & \text{a.e. } t \in [0, 1], \\ x(t_k^+) = x(t_k^-) + I_{1,k}(x(t_k), y(t_k)), & k = 1, \dots, m, \\ y(t_k^+) = y(t_k^-) + I_{2,k}(x(t_k), y(t_k)), & k = 1, \dots, m, \\ x(0) = x_0, \quad y(0) = y_0, \end{cases} \quad (1.1)$$

where  $0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_m < 1$ ,  $F_i : [0, 1] \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , is a multifunction and  $I_{1,k}, I_{2,k} \in C(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$ . The notations  $x(t_k^+) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} x(t_k + h)$  and  $x(t_k^-) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} x(t_k - h)$  stand for the right and the left limits of the function  $y$  at  $t = t_k$ , respectively.

For single valued framework, the above system was used to analyze initial value and boundary value problems for nonlinear competitive or cooperative differential systems from mathematical biology [42] and mathematical economics [34]; this can be set in the operator form (1.1).

Recently, Precup [48] proved the role of matrix convergence and vector metric in the study of semilinear operator systems. In recent years, many authors studied the existence of solutions for systems of differential equations and impulsive differential equations by using vector version of fixed point theorems (see [11, 12, 26, 32, 35, 44–46, 49] and in the references therein).

In general, for the ordinary Cauchy problems, the uniqueness property does not hold. Kneser [36] proved in 1923 that the solution set is a continuum, i.e., closed and connected. For differential inclusions, Aronszajn [7] proved in 1942 that the solution set is, in fact, compact and acyclic, and he even specified this continuum to be an  $R_\delta$ -set.

An analogous result was obtained for differential inclusions with upper semi-continuous (*u.s.c.*) convex valued nonlinearities by several authors (we cite [2–4, 6, 24, 30, 33]).

The topological and geometric structure of solution sets for impulsive differential inclusions on compact intervals, which were investigated in [18, 27–29, 53], are a contractibility,  $AR$ , acyclicity and  $R_\delta$ -sets. Also, the topological structure of solution sets for some Cauchy problems without impulses posed on non-compact intervals were studied by various techniques in [4, 10, 16, 17].

The goal of this paper is to study the existence of solutions and solution sets for systems of impulsive differential inclusions with initial conditions. The paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we recall some definitions and facts which will be needed in our analysis. In Section 3, we prove some existence results based on a nonlinear alternative of Leray–Schauder type theorem in generalized Banach spaces in the convex case, and a multivalued version of Perov’s fixed point theorem (Theorem 2.3) for the nonconvex case. Finally, we present some topological and geometric structures for solution sets of (1.1).

## 2 Preliminaries

In this section, we introduce notations and definitions which are used throughout this paper.

Denote by

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{P}(X) &= \{Y \subset X : Y \neq \emptyset\}; \\ \mathcal{P}_{cl}(X) &= \{Y \in \mathcal{P}(X) : Y \text{ closed}\}; \\ \mathcal{P}_b(X) &= \{Y \in \mathcal{P}(X) : Y \text{ bounded}\}; \\ \mathcal{P}_{cv}(X) &= \{Y \in \mathcal{P}(X) : Y \text{ convex}\}; \\ \mathcal{P}_{cp}(X) &= \{Y \in \mathcal{P}(X) : Y \text{ compact}\}; \\ \mathcal{M}_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R}_+) &: \text{Designate the set of real nonnegative } n \times n \text{ matrices.}\end{aligned}$$

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $X$  be a nonempty set. By a vector-valued metric on  $X$  we mean a map  $d : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  with the following properties:

- (i)  $d(u, v) \geq 0$  for all  $u, v \in X$ , if  $d(u, v) = 0$  if and only if  $u = v$ ;
- (ii)  $d(u, v) = d(v, u)$  for all  $u, v \in X$ ;
- (iii)  $d(u, v) \leq d(u, w) + d(w, v)$  for all  $u, v, w \in X$ .

We call the pair  $(X, d)$  a generalized metric space. For  $r = (r_1, \dots, r_n) \in \mathbb{R}_+^n$ , we denote by

$$B(x_0, r) = \{x \in X : d(x_0, x) < r\}$$

the open ball of radius  $r$  centered at  $x_0$  and by

$$\overline{B(x_0, r)} = \{x \in X : d(x_0, x) \leq r\}$$

the closed ball of radius  $r$  centered at  $x_0$ .

We mention that for a generalized metric space, the notation of an open subset, closed set, convergence, Cauchy sequence and completeness are similar to those in usual metric spaces. If  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ ,  $y = (y_1, \dots, y_n)$ , by  $x \leq y$  we mean  $x_i \leq y_i$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . Also,  $|x| = (|x_1|, \dots, |x_n|)$  and  $\max(x, y) = (\max(x_1, y_1), \dots, \max(x_n, y_n))$ . If  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ , then  $x \leq c$  means  $x_i \leq c$  for each  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .

**Definition 2.2.** A square matrix of real numbers is said to be convergent to zero if and only if its spectral radius  $\rho(M)$  is strictly less than 1. In other words, this means that all the eigenvalues of  $M$  are in the open unit disc (i.e.,  $|\lambda| < 1$  for every  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $\det(M - \lambda I) = 0$ , where  $I$  denotes the unit matrix of  $\mathcal{M}_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ ).

**Theorem 2.1** ([51]). *Let  $M \in \mathcal{M}_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R}_+)$ . The following assertions are equivalent:*

- (i)  $M$  is convergent towards zero;
- (ii)  $M^k \rightarrow 0$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ ;
- (iii) the matrix  $(I - M)$  is nonsingular and

$$(I - M)^{-1} = I + M + M^2 + \dots + M^k + \dots;$$

- (iv) the matrix  $(I - M)$  is nonsingular and  $(I - M)^{-1}$  has nonnegative elements.

**Definition 2.3.** We say that a non-singular matrix  $A = (a_{ij})_{1 \leq i, j \leq n} \in \mathcal{M}_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$  has the absolute value property if

$$A^{-1}|A| \leq I,$$

where

$$|A| = (|a_{ij}|)_{1 \leq i, j \leq n} \in \mathcal{M}_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R}).$$

**Definition 2.4.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a generalized metric space. An operator  $N : X \rightarrow X$  is said to be contractive if there exists a convergent to zero matrix  $M$  such that

$$d(N(x), N(y)) \leq Md(x, y), \quad \forall x, y \in X.$$

**Theorem 2.2** ([23, 47]). Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete generalized metric space and  $N : X \rightarrow X$  be a contractive operator with Lipschitz matrix  $M$ . Then  $N$  has a unique fixed point  $x_*$  and for each  $x_0 \in X$  we have

$$d(N^k(x_0), x_*) \leq M^k(I - M)^{-1}d(x_0, N(x_0)), \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space. We denote by  $H_{d_*}$  the Pompeiu–Hausdorff pseudo-metric distance on  $\mathcal{P}(X)$  defined as

$$H_{d_*} : \mathcal{P}(X) \times \mathcal{P}(X) \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}_+ \cup \{\infty\}, \quad H_{d_*}(A, B) = \max \left\{ \sup_{a \in A} d_*(a, B), \sup_{b \in B} d_*(A, b) \right\},$$

where  $d_*(A, b) = \inf_{a \in A} d_*(a, b)$  and  $d_*(a, B) = \inf_{b \in B} d_*(a, b)$ . Then  $(\mathcal{P}_{b,cl}(X), H_{d_*})$  is a metric space and  $(\mathcal{P}_{cl}(X), H_{d_*})$  is a generalized metric space. In particular,  $H_{d_*}$  satisfies the triangle inequality.

Let  $(X, d)$  be a generalized metric space with

$$d(x, y) := \begin{pmatrix} d_1(x, y) \\ \vdots \\ d_n(x, y) \end{pmatrix}.$$

Notice that  $d$  is a generalized metric space on  $X$  if and only if  $d_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , are metrics on  $X$ . Consider the generalized Hausdorff pseudo-metric distance

$$H_d : \mathcal{P}(X) \times \mathcal{P}(X) \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}_+^n \cup \{\infty\}$$

defined by

$$H_d(A, B) := \begin{pmatrix} H_{d_1}(A, B) \\ \vdots \\ H_{d_n}(A, B) \end{pmatrix}.$$

**Definition 2.5.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a generalized metric space. A multivalued operator  $N : X \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_{cl}(X)$  is said to be contractive if there exists a matrix  $M \in \mathcal{M}_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R}_+)$  such that

$$M^k \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } k \rightarrow \infty$$

and

$$H_d(N(u), N(v)) \leq Md(u, v), \quad \forall u, v \in X.$$

**Theorem 2.3** ([23]). Let  $(X, d)$  be a generalized complete metric space, and let  $N : X \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_{cl}(X)$  be a multivalued map. Assume that there exist  $A, B, C \in \mathcal{M}_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R}_+)$  such that

$$H_d(N(x), N(y)) \leq Ad(x, y) + Bd(y, N(x)) + Cd(x, N(x)), \quad (2.1)$$

where  $A + C$  converges to zero. Then there exists  $x \in X$  such that  $x \in N(x)$ .

**Definition 2.6.** Let  $E$  be a vector space on  $K = \mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ . By a vector-valued norm on  $E$  we mean a map  $\|\cdot\| : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  with the following properties:

- (i)  $\|x\| \geq 0$  for all  $x \in E$ ; if  $\|x\| = 0$ , then  $x = (0, \dots, 0)$ ;
- (ii)  $\|\lambda x\| = |\lambda| \|x\|$  for all  $x \in E$  and  $\lambda \in K$ ;
- (iii)  $\|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$  for all  $x, y \in E$ .

The pair  $(E, \|\cdot\|)$  is called a generalized normed space. If the generalized metric generated by  $\|\cdot\|$  (i.e.,  $d(x, y) = \|x - y\|$ ) is complete, then the space  $(E, \|\cdot\|)$  is called a generalized Banach space.

**Lemma 2.1** ([43, Theorem 19.7]). *Let  $Y$  be a separable metric space and  $F : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(Y)$  be a measurable multi-valued map with nonempty closed values. Then  $F$  has a measurable selection.*

**Lemma 2.2** ([38]). *Let  $X$  be a Banach space. Let  $F : [a, b] \times X \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_{cp,cv}(X)$  be an  $L^1$ -Carathéodory multifunction with  $S_{F,y} \neq \emptyset$ , and let  $\Gamma$  be a continuous linear operator from  $L^1([a, b], X)$  to  $C([a, b], X)$ . Then the operator*

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma \circ S_F : C([0, b], X) &\longrightarrow \mathcal{P}_{cp,cv}(C([a, b], X)), \\ y &\longrightarrow (\Gamma \circ S_F)(y) := \Gamma(S_{F,y}) \end{aligned}$$

has a closed graph in  $C([a, b], X) \times C([a, b], X)$ , where

$$S_{F,y} = \{v \in L^1([0, b], X) : v(t) \in F(t, y(t)); t \in [a, b]\}.$$

**Lemma 2.3** ([23, 47]). *Let  $X$  be a generalized Banach space and  $F : X \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_{cp,cv}(X)$  be an u.s.c. compact multifunction. Moreover, assume that the set*

$$\mathcal{A} = \{x \in X : x \in \lambda N(x) \text{ for some } \lambda \in (0, 1)\}$$

is bounded. Then  $N$  has at least one fixed point.

**Theorem 2.4** ([23]). *Let  $X$  be a generalized Banach space and  $N : X \rightarrow X$  be a continuous compact mapping. Moreover, assume that the set*

$$\mathcal{K} = \{x \in X : x = \lambda N(x) \text{ for some } \lambda \in (0, 1)\}$$

is bounded. Then  $N$  has a fixed point.

**Definition 2.7.** Let  $X$  be a Banach space.  $A$  is called  $\mathcal{L} \otimes \mathcal{B}$  measurable if  $A$  belongs to the  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by all sets of the form  $I \times D$ , where  $I$  is Lebesgue measurable in  $[a, b]$  and  $D$  is Borel measurable in  $X$ .

**Definition 2.8.** A subset  $B \subset L^1([a, b], X)$  is decomposable if for all  $u, v \in A$  and for every Lebesgue measurable set  $I \subset [a, b]$ , we have

$$u\chi_I + v\chi_{[a,b] \setminus I} \in B,$$

where  $\chi_I$  stands for the characteristic function of the set  $I$ .

Let  $F : J \times X \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_{cl}(X)$  be multi-valued. Assign to  $F$  the multi-valued operator  $\mathcal{F} : C(J, X) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(L^1([a, b], X))$  defined by  $\mathcal{F}(y) = S_{F,y}$ . The operator  $\mathcal{F}$  is called the Nemyts'kiĭ operator associated to  $F$ .

**Definition 2.9.** Let  $F : J \times X \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_{cp}(X)$  be multi-valued. We say that  $F$  is of lower semi-continuous type (*l.s.c.* type) if its associated Nemyts'kiĭ operator  $\mathcal{F}$  is lower semi-continuous and has nonempty closed and decomposable values.

**Lemma 2.4** ([19]). *Let  $F : [a, b] \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_{cp}(\mathbb{R})$  be an integrable bounded multi-valued map such that*

- (a)  $(t, x, y) \rightarrow F(t, x, y)$  is  $\mathcal{L} \otimes \mathcal{B}$  measurable;
- (b)  $(x, y) \rightarrow F(t, x, y)$  is *l.s.c.* a.e.  $t \in [a, b]$ .

Then  $F$  is lower semi-continuous.

Next, we state a classical selection theorem due to Bressan and Colombo.

**Theorem 2.5** ([13, 20]) (Theorem of ‘‘Bressan–Colombo’’ selection). *Let  $X$  be a metric separable space, and let  $E$  be a Banach space. Then each *l.s.c.* operator  $N : X \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_{cl}(L^1([a, b], X))$  which has a decomposable closed value, also has a continuous selection.*

## 2.1 $\sigma$ -selectionable multi-valued maps

The following four definitions and the theorem can be found in [22, 30] (see also [8, p. 86]). Let  $(X, d)$  and  $(Y, d')$  be two metric spaces.

**Definition 2.10.** We say that a map  $F : X \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(Y)$  is  $\sigma$ -Ca-selectionable if there exists a decreasing sequence of compact-valued *u.s.c.* maps  $F_n : X \rightarrow Y$  satisfying:

- (a)  $F_n$  has a Carathéodory selection for all  $n \geq 0$  ( $F_n$  are called Ca-selectionable);
- (b)  $F(x) = \bigcap_{n \geq 0} F_n(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ .

**Definition 2.11.** A single-valued map  $f : [0, a] \times X \rightarrow Y$  is said to be measurable-locally-Lipschitz (mLL) if  $f(\cdot, x)$  is measurable for every  $x \in X$ , and for every  $x \in X$  there exist a neighborhood  $V_x \subset X$  of  $x$  and an integrable function  $L_x : [0, a] \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  such that

$$d'(f(t, x_1), f(t, x_2)) \leq L_x(t)d(x_1, x_2) \text{ for every } t \in [0, a], x_1, x_2 \in V_x.$$

**Definition 2.12.** A multi-valued mapping  $F : [0, a] \times X \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(Y)$  is mLL-selectionable if it has an mLL-selection.

**Definition 2.13.** We say that a multi-valued map  $\phi : [0, a] \times E \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(E)$  with closed values is upper-Scorza–Dragoni if, given  $\delta > 0$ , there exists a closed subset  $A_\delta \subset [0, a]$  such that the measure  $\mu([0, a] \setminus A_\delta) \leq \delta$  and the restriction  $\phi_\delta$  of  $\phi$  to  $A_\delta \times E$  is *u.s.c.*

**Theorem 2.6** (see [22, Theorem 19.19]). *Let  $E, E_1$  be two separable Banach spaces and let  $F : [a, b] \times E \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_{cp, cv}(E_1)$  be an upper-Scorza–Dragoni map. Then  $F$  is  $\sigma$ -Ca-selectionable, the maps  $F_n : [a, b] \times E \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(E_1)$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , are almost upper semicontinuous, and we have*

$$F_n(t, e) \subset \overline{co} \left( \bigcup_{x \in E} F(t, x) \right).$$

Moreover, if  $F$  is integrably bounded, then  $F$  is  $\sigma$ -mLL-selectionable.

**Lemma 2.5** ([9]). *For an *u.s.c.* multifunction  $F : X \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_{cp}(Y)$ , we have*

$$\forall x_0 \in X, \quad \limsup_{x \rightarrow x_0} F(x) \subseteq F(x_0).$$

**Lemma 2.6** ([9]). *Let  $(K_n)_n \subset K$  such that  $K$  is a compact subset of  $X$ , and  $X$  is a separable Banach space. Then*

$$\overline{co} \left( \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} K_n \right) = \bigcap_{N > 0} \overline{co} \left( \bigcup_{n \geq N} K_n \right),$$

where *co* is the convex envelope.

**Lemma 2.7** ([21]). *Let  $X$  be a metric compact space. If  $X$  is  $R_\delta$ -set, then  $X$  is an acyclic space.*

**Theorem 2.7** ([22]). *Let  $E$  be a normed space,  $X$  be a metric space, and let  $f : X \rightarrow E$  be a continuous map. Then  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$  there is a locally Lipschitz function  $f_\varepsilon : X \rightarrow E$  such that*

$$\|f(x) - f_\varepsilon(x)\| \leq \varepsilon, \quad \forall x \in X. \quad (2.2)$$

**Theorem 2.8** (Theorem of Browder and Gupta, [14]). *Let  $(E, \|\cdot\|)$  be a Banach space,  $f : X \rightarrow E$  be a proper map, and suppose that for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , we have a proper map  $f_\varepsilon : X \rightarrow E$  satisfying:*

- (i)  $\|f_\varepsilon(x) - f(x)\| < \varepsilon$  for all  $x \in X$ ;
- (ii) for all  $u \in E$  such that  $\|u\| \leq \varepsilon$ , the equation  $f_\varepsilon(x) = u$  has a unique solution.

Then the set  $S = f^{-1}(0)$  is  $R_\delta$ .

### 3 Existence results

Let  $J := [0, 1]$ . In order to define a solution for problem (1.1), consider the space  $PC(J, \mathbb{R}) \times PC(J, \mathbb{R})$ , where

$$PC(J, \mathbb{R}) := \left\{ y : J \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, y \in C(J \setminus \{t_k\}, \mathbb{R}) : k = 1, \dots, m, \right. \\ \left. y(t_k^-) \text{ and } y(t_k^+) \text{ exist and satisfy } y(t_k^-) = y(t_k^+) \right\}.$$

Endowed with the norm

$$\|y\|_{PC} = \sup \{ \|y(t)\| : t \in J \},$$

$PC$  is a Banach space.

#### 3.1 Convex case

**Theorem 3.1.** *Assume there exist a continuous nondecreasing map  $\psi : [0, +\infty) \rightarrow (0, +\infty)$  and  $p \in L^1(J, \mathbb{R}_+)$  such that*

$$\|F_i(t, u, v)\| \leq p(t)\psi(\|u\| + \|v\|) \text{ a.e. } t \in J, i \in \{1, 2\}, (u, v) \in \mathbb{R}^2.$$

*Assume also that  $F_1, F_2 : J \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_{cp,cv}(\mathbb{R})$  are Carathéodory. Then problem (1.1) has at least one solution.*

*Proof.* Consider the operator  $N : PC \times PC \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(PC \times PC)$  defined by

$$N(x, y) = \left\{ (h_1, h_2) \in PC \times PC : \begin{pmatrix} h_1(t) \\ h_2(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_0 + \int_0^t f_1(s) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_1(x(t_k), y(t_k)), & t \in J \\ y_0 + \int_0^t f_2(s) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_2(x(t_k), y(t_k)), & t \in J \end{pmatrix} \right\},$$

where  $f_i \in S_{F_i} = \{f \in L^1(J, \mathbb{R}) : f(t) \in F_i(t, x(t), y(t)), \text{ a.e. } t \in J\}$ . Fixed points of the operator  $N$  are the solutions of problem (1.1).

We are going to prove that  $N$  is *u.s.c.* compact and that  $N$  has convex compact values. The proof is given by the following steps.

**Step 1.**  $N(x, y)$  is convex for all  $(x, y) \in PC \times PC$ .

Let  $(h_1, h_2), (h_3, h_4) \in N(x, y)$ . So, there exist  $f_1, f_3 \in S_{F_1(\cdot, x(\cdot), y(\cdot))}$  and  $f_2, f_4 \in S_{F_2(\cdot, x(\cdot), y(\cdot))}$  such that for all  $t \in J$ , we have

$$h_1(t) = x_0 + \int_0^t f_1(s) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_1(x(t_k), y(t_k)), \\ h_2(t) = y_0 + \int_0^t f_2(s) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_2(x(t_k), y(t_k))$$

and

$$h_3(t) = x_0 + \int_0^t f_3(s) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_1(x(t_k), y(t_k)), \\ h_4(t) = y_0 + \int_0^t f_4(s) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_2(x(t_k), y(t_k)).$$



Let  $l \in [0, 1]$ . For each  $t \in J$ , we have

$$\left( l \begin{pmatrix} h_1 \\ h_2 \end{pmatrix} + (1-l) \begin{pmatrix} h_3 \\ h_4 \end{pmatrix} \right)(t) = \begin{pmatrix} x_0 \\ y_0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \int_0^t (lf_1 + (1-l)f_3)(s) ds \\ \int_0^t (lf_2 + (1-l)f_4)(s) ds \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_1(x(t_k), y(t_k)) \\ \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_2(x(t_k), y(t_k)) \end{pmatrix}.$$

As  $S_{F_1}$  and  $S_{F_2}$  are convex (since  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  have convex values),

$$l \begin{pmatrix} h_1 \\ h_2 \end{pmatrix} + (1-l) \begin{pmatrix} h_3 \\ h_4 \end{pmatrix} \in N(x, y).$$

**Step 2.**  $N$  transforms every bounded set to a bounded set in  $PC \times PC$ .

It suffices to show that

$$\exists \ell := \begin{pmatrix} \ell_1 \\ \ell_2 \end{pmatrix} > 0 \text{ such that}$$

$$\forall (x, y) \in \mathcal{B}_q := \left\{ (x, y) \in PC \times PC : \|(x, y)\|_{PC \times PC} \leq q, \quad q = \begin{pmatrix} q_1 \\ q_2 \end{pmatrix} > 0 \right\},$$

if  $(h, g) \in N(x, y)$ , then we have  $\|(h, g)\|_{PC \times PC} \leq \ell$ .

Let  $(h, g) \in N(x, y)$ , then there exist  $f_1 \in S_{F_1(\cdot, x(\cdot), y(\cdot))}$  and  $f_2 \in S_{F_2(\cdot, x(\cdot), y(\cdot))}$  such that for all  $t \in J$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} h(t) &= x_0 + \int_0^t f_1(s) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_1(x(t_k), y(t_k)), \\ g(t) &= y_0 + \int_0^t f_2(s) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_2(x(t_k), y(t_k)), \\ \|(h, g)\|_{PC \times PC} &= \begin{pmatrix} \|h\|_{PC} \\ \|g\|_{PC} \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

For all  $t \in J$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|h(t)\| &\leq \|x_0\| + \int_0^t \|f_1(s)\| ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} \|I_1(x(t_k), y(t_k))\| \\ &\leq \|x_0\| + \int_0^1 \|F_1(s, x(s), y(s))\| ds + \sum_{k=1}^m \sup_{(x, y) \in \mathcal{B}_q} \|I_1(x, y)\| \\ &\leq \|x_0\| + \psi(q_1 + q_2) \|p\|_{L^1} + \sum_{k=1}^m \sup_{(x, y) \in \mathcal{B}_q} \|I_1(x, y)\| := \tilde{\ell} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \|g(t)\| &\leq \|y_0\| + \int_0^t \|f_2(s)\| ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} \|I_2(x(t_k), y(t_k))\| \\ &\leq \|y_0\| + \int_0^b \|F_2(s, x(s), y(s))\| ds + \sum_{k=1}^m \sup_{(x, y) \in \mathcal{B}_q} \|I_2(x, y)\| \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq \|y_0\| + \psi(q_1 + q_2)\|p\|_{L^1} + \sum_{k=1}^m \sup_{(x,y) \in \mathcal{B}_q} \|I_2(x,y)\| := \tilde{\ell}.$$

Then

$$\left( \begin{array}{c} \|h\|_{PC} \\ \|g\|_{PC} \end{array} \right) \leq \left( \begin{array}{c} \tilde{\ell} \\ \tilde{\ell} \end{array} \right) := \ell.$$

**Step 3.**  $N$  transforms every bounded set to an equicontinuous set in  $PC \times PC$ .

Let  $\tau_1, \tau_2 \in J$ ,  $\tau_1 < \tau_2$ , and let  $\mathcal{B}_q$  be as above in Step 2. For each  $(x, y) \in \mathcal{B}_q$  and  $(h, g) \in N(x, y)$ , there exist  $f_1 \in S_{F_1(\cdot, x(\cdot), y(\cdot))}$  and  $f_2 \in S_{F_2(\cdot, x(\cdot), y(\cdot))}$  such that for all  $t \in J$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} h(t) &= x_0 + \int_0^t f_1(s) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_{1,k}(x(t_k), y(t_k)), \\ g(t) &= y_0 + \int_0^t f_2(s) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_{2,k}(x(t_k), y(t_k)). \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|h(\tau_2) - h(\tau_1)\| &\leq \int_{\tau_1}^{\tau_2} \|f_1(s)\| ds + \sum_{\tau_1 \leq t_k < \tau_2} \|I_{1,k}(x(t_k), y(t_k))\| \\ &\leq \psi(q_1 + q_2) \int_{\tau_1}^{\tau_2} p(s) ds + \sum_{\tau_1 \leq t_k < \tau_2} \sup_{(x,y) \in \mathcal{B}_q} \|I_{1,k}(x, y)\| \longrightarrow 0 \text{ as } \tau_2 \rightarrow \tau_1 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \|g(\tau_2) - g(\tau_1)\| &\leq \int_{\tau_1}^{\tau_2} \|f_2(s)\| ds + \sum_{\tau_1 \leq t_k < \tau_2} \|I_{2,k}(x(t_k), y(t_k))\| \\ &\leq \psi(q_1 + q_2) \int_{\tau_1}^{\tau_2} p(s) ds + \sum_{\tau_1 \leq t_k < \tau_2} \sup_{(x,y) \in \mathcal{B}_q} \|I_{2,k}(x, y)\| \longrightarrow 0 \text{ as } \tau_2 \rightarrow \tau_1. \end{aligned}$$

So, by Step 2 and Step 3,  $N$  is compact.

**Step 4.** The graph of  $N$  is closed.

Let  $(x_n, y_n) \rightarrow (x_*, y_*)$ ,  $(h_n, g_n) \in N(x_n, y_n)$ , and  $h_n \rightarrow h_*$  and  $g_n \rightarrow g_*$ . It suffices to show that there exist  $f_1 \in S_{F_1(\cdot, x_*(\cdot), y_*(\cdot))}$  and  $f_2 \in S_{F_2(\cdot, x_*(\cdot), y_*(\cdot))}$  such that for all  $t \in J$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} h_*(t) &= x_0 + \int_0^t f_1(s) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_{1,k}(x_*(t_k), y_*(t_k)), \\ g_*(t) &= y_0 + \int_0^t f_2(s) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_{2,k}(x_*(t_k), y_*(t_k)). \end{aligned}$$

With  $(h_n, g_n) \in N(x_n, y_n)$ , there exist  $f_{1,n} \in S_{F_1(\cdot, x_n(\cdot), y_n(\cdot))}$  and  $f_{2,n} \in S_{F_2(\cdot, x_n(\cdot), y_n(\cdot))}$  such that for all  $t \in J$ ,

$$h_n(t) = x_0 + \int_0^t f_{1,n}(s) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_{1,k}(x_n(t_k), y_n(t_k)),$$

$$g_n(t) = y_0 + \int_0^t f_{2,n}(s) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_{2,k}(x_n(t_k), y_n(t_k)).$$

Since  $I_{i,k}$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, m$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , are continuous,

$$\left\| \left( h_n(t) - x_0 - \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_{1,k}(x_n(t_k), y_n(t_k)) \right) - \left( h_*(t) - x_0 - \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_{1,k}(x_*(t_k), y_*(t_k)) \right) \right\|_{PC} \rightarrow 0$$

and

$$\left\| \left( g_n(t) - y_0 - \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_{2,k}(x_n(t_k), y_n(t_k)) \right) - \left( g_*(t) - y_0 - \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_{2,k}(x_*(t_k), y_*(t_k)) \right) \right\|_{PC} \rightarrow 0$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Let  $\Gamma$  be a continuous linear operator defined as

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma : L^1(J, \mathbb{R}) &\longrightarrow PC(J, \mathbb{R}), \\ r &\longrightarrow \Gamma(r) \end{aligned}$$

such that

$$\Gamma(r)(t) = \int_0^t r(s) ds, \quad \forall t \in J.$$

By Lemma 2.2, the operator  $\Gamma \circ S_F$  has a closed graph and, moreover, we have

$$\left( h_n(t) - x_0 - \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_{1,k}(x_n(t_k), y_n(t_k)) \right) \in \Gamma(S_{F_1}(\cdot, x_n(\cdot), y_n(\cdot)))$$

and

$$\left( g_n(t) - y_0 - \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_{2,k}(x_n(t_k), y_n(t_k)) \right) \in \Gamma(S_{F_2}(\cdot, x_n(\cdot), y_n(\cdot))).$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned} \left( h_*(t) - x_0 - \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_{1,k}(x_*(t_k), y_*(t_k)) \right) &= \int_0^t f_1(s) ds, \\ \left( g_*(t) - y_0 - \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_{2,k}(x_*(t_k), y_*(t_k)) \right) &= \int_0^t f_2(s) ds, \end{aligned}$$

and then  $f_1 \in S_{F_1}(\cdot, x_*(\cdot), y_*(\cdot))$  and  $f_2 \in S_{F_2}(\cdot, x_*(\cdot), y_*(\cdot))$ .

**Step 5.** A priori estimation.

Let  $(x, y) \in PC(J, \mathbb{R})$  such that  $(x, y) \in \lambda N(x, y)$ , and  $0 < \lambda < 1$ . So,  $\exists f_1 \in S_{F_1}(\cdot, x(\cdot), y(\cdot))$  and  $\exists f_2 \in S_{F_2}(\cdot, x(\cdot), y(\cdot))$  such that for all  $t \in [0, t_1]$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= \lambda x_0 + \lambda \int_0^t f_1(s, x(s), y(s)) ds, \\ y(t) &= \lambda y_0 + \lambda \int_0^t f_2(s, x(s), y(s)) ds. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\|x(t)\| \leq \|x_0\| + \int_0^t p(s) \psi(\|x(s)\| + \|y(s)\|) ds, \quad t \in [0, t_1],$$

$$\|y(t)\| \leq \|y_0\| + \int_0^t p(s)\psi(\|(x(s))\| + \|y(s)\|) ds, \quad t \in [0, t_1].$$

Consider the functions  $\vartheta_1, \mathcal{W}_1$  defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \vartheta_1(t) &= \|x_0\| + \int_0^t p(s)\psi(\|(x(s))\| + \|y(s)\|) ds, \quad t \in [0, t_1], \\ \mathcal{W}_1(t) &= \|y_0\| + \int_0^t p(s)\psi(\|(x(s))\| + \|y(s)\|) ds, \quad t \in [0, t_1]. \end{aligned}$$

So,

$$(\vartheta_1(0), \mathcal{W}_1(0)) = (\|x_0\|, \|y_0\|), \quad \|x(t)\| \leq \vartheta_1(t), \quad \|y(t)\| \leq \mathcal{W}_1(t), \quad t \in [0, t_1],$$

and

$$\dot{\mathcal{W}}_1(t) = \dot{\vartheta}_1(t) = p(t)\psi(\|(x(t))\| + \|y(t)\|), \quad t \in [0, t_1].$$

As  $\psi$  is a nondecreasing map, we have

$$\dot{\vartheta}_1(t) \leq p(t)\psi(\vartheta_1(t)), \quad \dot{\mathcal{W}}_1(t) \leq p(t)\psi(\mathcal{W}_1(t)), \quad t \in [0, t_1].$$

This implies that for every  $t \in [0, t_1]$ ,

$$\int_{\vartheta_1(0)}^{\vartheta_1(t)} \frac{du}{\psi(u)} \leq \int_0^t p(s) ds, \quad \int_{\mathcal{W}_1(0)}^{\mathcal{W}_1(t)} \frac{du}{\psi(u)} \leq \int_0^t p(s) ds.$$

The maps  $\Gamma_0^1(z) = \int_{\vartheta_1(0)}^z \frac{du}{\psi(u)}$  and  $\Gamma_0^2(z) = \int_{\mathcal{W}_1(0)}^z \frac{du}{\psi(u)}$  are continuous and increasing. Then  $(\Gamma_0^1)^{-1}$  and  $(\Gamma_0^2)^{-1}$  exist and are increasing, and we get

$$\vartheta_1(t) \leq (\Gamma_0^1)^{-1} \left( \int_0^t p(s) ds \right) := M_0, \quad \mathcal{W}_1(t) \leq (\Gamma_0^2)^{-1} \left( \int_0^t p(s) ds \right) := \ell_0.$$

As for every  $t \in [0, t_1]$ ,  $\|x(t)\| \leq \vartheta_1(t)$  and  $\|y(t)\| \leq \mathcal{W}_1(t)$ , so,

$$\sup_{t \in [0, t_1]} \|y(t)\| \leq \ell_0, \quad \sup_{t \in [0, t_1]} \|x(t)\| \leq M_0.$$

Now, for  $t \in (t_1, t_2]$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|x(t_1^+)\| &\leq \|I_{1,1}(x(t_1), y(t_1))\| + \|x(t_1)\| \leq \sup_{(\alpha, \beta) \in \bar{B}(0, M_0) \times \bar{B}(0, \ell_0)} \|I_{1,1}(\alpha, \beta)\| + M_0 := N_1, \\ \|y(t_1^+)\| &\leq \|I_{2,1}(x(t_1), y(t_1))\| + \|y(t_1)\| \leq \sup_{(\alpha, \beta) \in \bar{B}(0, M_0) \times \bar{B}(0, \ell_0)} \|I_{2,1}(\alpha, \beta)\| + \ell_0 := D_1. \end{aligned}$$

Also,

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= \lambda(x(t_1) + I_{1,1}(x(t_1), y(t_1))) + \lambda \int_{t_1}^t f_1(s, x(s), y(s)) ds, \\ y(t) &= \lambda(y(t_1) + I_{2,1}(x(t_1), y(t_1))) + \lambda \int_{t_1}^t f_2(s, x(s), y(s)) ds, \end{aligned}$$

and so,

$$\begin{aligned}\|x(t)\| &\leq N_1 + \int_{t_1}^t p(s)\psi(\|x(s)\| + \|y(s)\|) ds, \quad t \in [t_1, t_2], \\ \|y(t)\| &\leq D_1 + \int_{t_1}^t p(s)\psi(\|x(s)\| + \|y(s)\|) ds, \quad t \in [t_1, t_2].\end{aligned}$$

Let us consider the maps  $\vartheta_2$  and  $\mathcal{W}_2$  defined by

$$\vartheta_2(t) = N_1 + \int_{t_1}^t p(s)\psi(\|x(s)\| + \|y(s)\|) ds, \quad \mathcal{W}_2(t) = D_1 + \int_{t_1}^t p(s)\psi(\|x(s)\| + \|y(s)\|) ds, \quad t \in [t_1, t_2].$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}\vartheta_2(t_1^+) &= N_1, \quad \|x(t)\| \leq \vartheta_2(t), \quad t \in [t_1, t_2], \\ \mathcal{W}_2(t_1^+) &= D_1, \quad \|y(t)\| \leq \mathcal{W}_2(t), \quad t \in [t_1, t_2],\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\dot{\vartheta}_2(t) = p(t)\psi(\|x(t)\| + \|y(t)\|), \quad \dot{\mathcal{W}}_2(t) = p(t)\psi(\|x(t)\| + \|y(t)\|), \quad t \in [t_1, t_2].$$

As  $\psi$  is nondecreasing,

$$\dot{\vartheta}_2(t) \leq p(t)\psi(\vartheta_2(t)), \quad \dot{\mathcal{W}}_2(t) \leq p(t)\psi(\mathcal{W}_2(t)), \quad t \in [t_1, t_2].$$

This implies that for every  $t \in [t_1, t_2]$ ,

$$\int_{\vartheta_2(t_1^+)}^{\vartheta_2(t)} \frac{du}{\psi(u)} \leq \int_{t_1}^t p(s) ds, \quad \int_{\mathcal{W}_2(t_1^+)}^{\mathcal{W}_2(t)} \frac{du}{\psi(u)} \leq \int_{t_1}^t p(s) ds.$$

If we consider the maps  $\Gamma_1^1(z) = \int_{\vartheta_2(t_1^+)}^z \frac{du}{\psi(u)}$  and  $\Gamma_1^2(z) = \int_{\mathcal{W}_2(t_1^+)}^z \frac{du}{\psi(u)}$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned}\vartheta_2(t) &\leq (\Gamma_1^1)^{-1} \left( \int_{t_1}^t p(s) ds \right) := M_1, \\ \mathcal{W}_2(t) &\leq (\Gamma_1^2)^{-1} \left( \int_{t_1}^t p(s) ds \right) := \ell_1.\end{aligned}$$

For all  $t \in [t_1, t_2]$ ,  $\|x(t)\| \leq \vartheta_2(t)$  and  $\|y(t)\| \leq \mathcal{W}_2(t)$ , and then

$$\sup_{t \in [t_1, t_2]} \|x(t)\| \leq M_1, \quad \sup_{t \in [t_1, t_2]} \|y(t)\| \leq \ell_1.$$

We continue the process to the interval  $(t_m, 1]$ . We get the existence of  $M_m$  and  $\ell_m$  such that

$$\sup_{t \in [t_m, 1]} \|x(t)\| \leq (\Gamma_m^1)^{-1} \left( \int_{t_m}^1 p(s) ds \right) := M_m, \quad \sup_{t \in [t_m, 1]} \|y(t)\| \leq (\Gamma_m^2)^{-1} \left( \int_{t_m}^1 p(s) ds \right) := \ell_m.$$

As we chose  $y$  arbitrarily, then for all solutions of problem (1.1), we get

$$\|(x, y)\|_{PC \times PC} \leq \max \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} M_k \\ \ell_k \end{pmatrix} : k = 0, 1, \dots, m \right\} := b^*.$$

Then the set

$$\mathcal{A} = \left\{ (x, y) \in PC \times PC : (x, y) \in \lambda N(x, y), \lambda \in (0, 1) \right\}$$

is bounded. So,  $N : PC \times PC \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_{cv}(PC \times PC)$  is compact and *u.s.c.* Then, by Lemma 2.3, we obtain that problem (1.1) has at least one solution.  $\square$

### 3.2 Nonconvex case

Assume that the following conditions hold:

( $\mathcal{H}_1$ )  $F_i : J \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_{cp}(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $t \rightarrow F_i(t, u, v)$  are measurable for each  $u, v \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ .

( $\mathcal{H}_2$ ) There exist the functions  $l_i \in L^1(J, \mathbb{R}^+)$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, 4$ , such that

$$\begin{aligned} H_d(F_1(t, u, v), F_1(t, \bar{u}, \bar{v})) &\leq l_1(t)\|u - \bar{u}\| + l_2(t)\|v - \bar{v}\|, \quad t \in J, \quad \forall u, \bar{u}, v, \bar{v} \in \mathbb{R}, \\ H_d(F_2(t, u, v), F_2(t, \bar{u}, \bar{v})) &\leq l_3(t)\|u - \bar{u}\| + l_4(t)\|v - \bar{v}\|, \quad t \in J, \quad \forall u, \bar{u}, v, \bar{v} \in \mathbb{R} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$H_d(0, F_1(t, 0, 0)) \leq l_1(t) \text{ for a.e. } t \in J, \quad H_d(0, F_2(t, 0, 0)) \leq l_3(t) \text{ for a.e. } t \in J.$$

( $\mathcal{H}_3$ ) There exist the constants  $a_i, b_i \geq 0$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , such that

$$\|I_1(u, v) - I_1(\bar{u} - \bar{v})\| \leq a_1\|u - \bar{u}\| + a_2\|v - \bar{v}\|, \quad \forall u, \bar{u}, v, \bar{v} \in \mathbb{R}$$

and

$$\|I_2(u, v) - I_2(\bar{u} - \bar{v})\| \leq b_1\|u - \bar{u}\| + b_2\|v - \bar{v}\|, \quad \forall u, \bar{u}, v, \bar{v} \in \mathbb{R}.$$

**Theorem 3.2.** *Assume that ( $\mathcal{H}_1$ )–( $\mathcal{H}_3$ ) are satisfied and the matrix*

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} \|l_1\|_{L^1} + a_1 & \|l_2\|_{L^1} + a_2 \\ \|l_3\|_{L^1} + b_1 & \|l_4\|_{L^1} + b_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

*converges to zero. Then problem (1.1) has at least one solution.*

*Proof.* Consider the operator  $N : PC \times PC \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(PC \times PC)$  defined by

$$N(x, y) = \left\{ (h_1, h_2) \in PC \times PC : \begin{pmatrix} h_1(t) \\ h_2(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_0 + \int_0^t f_1(s) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_1(x(t_k), y(t_k)), \quad t \in J \\ y_0 + \int_0^t f_2(s) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_2(x(t_k), y(t_k)), \quad t \in J \end{pmatrix} \right\},$$

where

$$f_i \in S_{F_i} = \left\{ f \in L^1(J, \mathbb{R}) : f(t) \in F_i(t, x(t), y(t)), \text{ a.e. } t \in J \right\}.$$

Fixed points of the operator  $N$  are the solutions of problem (1.1).

Let, for  $i = 1, 2$ ,

$$N_i(x, y) = \left\{ h \in PC : h(t) = x_i(t) + \int_0^t f_i(s) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_i(x(t_k), y(t_k)), \quad t \in J \right\},$$

where  $x_1 = x_0$  and  $x_2 = y_0$ . We show that  $N$  satisfies the assumptions of Theorem 2.3.

Let  $(x, y), (\bar{x}, \bar{y}) \in PC \times PC$  and  $(h_1, h_2) \in N(x, y)$ . Then there exist  $f_i \in S_{F_i}, i = 1, 2,$ , such that

$$\begin{pmatrix} h_1(t) \\ h_2(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_0 + \int_0^t f_1(s) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_1(x(t_k), y(t_k)), & t \in J \\ y_0 + \int_0^t f_2(s) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_2(x(t_k), y(t_k)), & t \in J \end{pmatrix}.$$

$(\mathcal{H}_2)$  implies that

$$H_{d_1}(F_1(t, x(t), y(t)), F_1(t, \bar{x}(t), \bar{y}(t))) \leq l_1(t)|x(t) - \bar{x}(t)| + l_2(t)|y(t) - \bar{y}(t)|, \quad t \in J,$$

and

$$H_{d_2}(F_2(t, x(t), y(t)), F_2(t, \bar{x}(t), \bar{y}(t))) \leq l_3(t)|x(t) - \bar{x}(t)| + l_4(t)|y(t) - \bar{y}(t)|, \quad t \in J.$$

Hence, there is some  $(\omega, \bar{\omega}) \in F_1(t, \bar{x}(t), \bar{y}(t)) \times F_2(t, \bar{x}(t), \bar{y}(t))$  such that

$$|f_1(t) - \omega| \leq l_1(t)|x(t) - \bar{x}(t)| + l_2(t)|y(t) - \bar{y}(t)|, \quad t \in J,$$

and

$$|f_2(t) - \bar{\omega}| \leq l_3(t)|x(t) - \bar{x}(t)| + l_4(t)|y(t) - \bar{y}(t)|, \quad t \in J.$$

Consider the multi-valued maps  $U_i : J \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}), i = 1, 2,$  defined by

$$U_1(t) = \left\{ \omega \in F_1(t, \bar{x}(t), \bar{y}(t)) : |f_1(t) - \omega| \leq l_1(t)|x(t) - \bar{x}(t)| + l_2(t)|y(t) - \bar{y}(t)|, \text{ a.e. } t \in J \right\}$$

and

$$U_2(t) = \left\{ \omega \in F_2(t, \bar{x}(t), \bar{y}(t)) : |f_2(t) - \omega| \leq l_3(t)|x(t) - \bar{x}(t)| + l_4(t)|y(t) - \bar{y}(t)|, \text{ a.e. } t \in J \right\}.$$

Then each  $U_i(t)$  is a nonempty set and Theorem III.4.1 in [15] implies that  $U_i$  is measurable. Moreover, the multi-valued intersection operator  $V_i(\cdot) := U_i(\cdot) \cap F_i(\cdot, \bar{x}(\cdot), \bar{y}(\cdot))$  is measurable. Therefore, for each  $i = 1, 2,$  by Lemma 2.1, there exists a function  $t \rightarrow \bar{f}_i(t)$ , which is a measurable selection for  $V_i$ , that is,  $\bar{f}_i(t) \in F_i(t, \bar{x}(t), \bar{y}(t))$  and

$$|f_1(t) - \bar{f}_1(t)| \leq l_1(t)|x(t) - \bar{x}(t)| + l_2(t)|y(t) - \bar{y}(t)|, \quad \text{a.e. } t \in J,$$

and

$$|f_2(t) - \bar{f}_2(t)| \leq l_3(t)|x(t) - \bar{x}(t)| + l_4(t)|y(t) - \bar{y}(t)|, \quad \text{a.e. } t \in J.$$

Define  $\bar{h}_1$  and  $\bar{h}_2$  by

$$\bar{h}_1(t) = x_0 + \int_0^t \bar{f}_1(s) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_1(\bar{x}(t_k), \bar{y}(t_k)), \quad t \in J,$$

and

$$\bar{h}_2(t) = y_0 + \int_0^t \bar{f}_2(s) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_2(\bar{x}(t_k), \bar{y}(t_k)), \quad t \in J.$$

Then for  $t \in J$ ,

$$|h_1(t) - \bar{h}_1(t)| \leq (\|l_1\|_{L^1} + a_1)|x - \bar{x}|_{PC} + (\|l_2\|_{L^1} + a_2)\|y - \bar{y}\|_{PC}.$$

Thus

$$\|h_1 - \bar{h}_1\|_{PC} \leq (\|l_1\|_{L^1} + a_1)\|x - \bar{x}\|_{PC} + (\|l_2\|_{L^1} + a_2)\|y - \bar{y}\|_{PC}.$$

By an analogous relation, obtained by interchanging the roles of  $y$  and  $\bar{y}$ , we finally arrive at the estimate

$$H_{d_1}(N_1(x, y), N_1(\bar{x}, \bar{y})) \leq (\|l_1\|_{L^1} + a_1)\|x - \bar{x}\|_{PC} + (\|l_2\|_{L^1} + a_2)\|y - \bar{y}\|_{PC}.$$

Similarly, we get

$$H_{d_2}(N_2(x, y), N_2(\bar{x}, \bar{y})) \leq (\|l_3\|_{L^1} + b_1)\|x - \bar{x}\|_{PC} + (\|l_4\|_{L^1} + b_2)\|y - \bar{y}\|_{PC}.$$

Therefore,

$$H_d(N(x, y), N(\bar{x}, \bar{y})) \leq M(\|x - \bar{x}\|_{PC}, \|y - \bar{y}\|_{PC}), \quad \forall (x, y), (\bar{x}, \bar{y}) \in PC \times PC.$$

Hence, by Theorem 2.3, the operator  $N$  has at least one fixed point which is a solution of (1.1).  $\square$

**Theorem 3.3.** *Assume, for each  $i = 1, 2$ , that there exist a continuous nondecreasing map  $\psi_i : [0, +\infty[ \rightarrow (0, +\infty)$  and  $p_i \in L^1(J, \mathbb{R}_+)$  such that*

$$\|F_i(t, u, v)\| \leq p_i(t)\psi_i(\|u\| + \|v\|) \quad \text{a.e. } t \in J, \quad (u, v) \in \mathbb{R}^2.$$

Assume also that  $F_1, F_2 : J \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_{cp,cv}(\mathbb{R})$  are Carathéodory, and

- (a)  $(t, x, y) \rightarrow F_i(t, x, y)$  is  $\mathcal{L} \otimes \mathcal{B}$  measurable for  $i = 1, 2$ .
- (b)  $(x, y) \rightarrow F_i(t, x, y)$  is l.s.c. a.e.  $t \in J$ .

Then problem (1.1) has at least one solution.

*Proof.* For each  $i = 1, 2$ , since  $F_i$  is l.s.c., by Theorem 2.5, there exists a continuous function  $f_i : PC \rightarrow L^1(J, \mathbb{R})$  such that  $f_i(x, y) \in S_{F_i(\cdot, x, y)}$  for all  $(x, y) \in PC(J, \mathbb{R}) \times PC(J, \mathbb{R})$ . Consider the impulsive system

$$\begin{cases} x'(t) = f_1(t, x, y), & \text{a.e. } t \in J, \\ y'(t) = f_2(t, x, y), & \text{a.e. } t \in J, \\ x(t_k^+) - x(t_k^-) = I_1(x(t_k), y(t_k)), & k = 1, 2, \dots, m, \\ y(t_k^+) - y(t_k^-) = I_2(x(t_k), y(t_k)), & k = 1, 2, \dots, m, \\ x(0) = x_0, \quad y(0) = y_0. \end{cases} \quad (3.1)$$

It is clear that if  $(x, y)$  is a solution of problem (3.1), then  $(x, y)$  is also a solution of problem (1.1). When the proof of Theorem 3.1 is applied to the operator  $N_* : PC \times PC \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(PC \times PC)$  defined by

$$N_*(x, y) = \left\{ (h_1, h_2) \in PC \times PC : \begin{pmatrix} h_1(t) \\ h_2(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_0 + \int_0^t f_1(s) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_1(x(t_k), y(t_k)), & t \in J \\ y_0 + \int_0^t f_2(s) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_2(x(t_k), y(t_k)), & t \in J \end{pmatrix} \right\},$$

there is a solution of problem (1.1).  $\square$

## 4 Structure of solutions sets

Consider the first-order impulsive single-valued problem

$$\begin{cases} x'(t) = f_1(t, x(t), y(t)), & \text{a.e. } t \in [0, 1], \\ y'(t) = f_2(t, x(t), y(t)), & \text{a.e. } t \in [0, 1], \\ x(t_k^+) - x(t_k^-) = I_1(x(t_k), y(t_k)), & k = 1, \dots, m, \\ y(t_k^+) - y(t_k^-) = I_2(x(t_k), y(t_k)), & k = 1, \dots, m, \\ x(0) = x_0, \quad y(0) = y_0, \end{cases} \quad (4.1)$$



where  $f_1, f_2 \in L^1(J \times \mathbb{R}^2, \mathbb{R})$  are the given functions and  $0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_m < t_{m+1} = 1$ . Then  $(x, y)$  is a solution of (4.1) if and only if  $(x, y)$  is a solution of the impulsive integral system

$$\begin{cases} x(t) = x_0 + \int_0^t f_1(s, x(s), y(s)) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_1(x(t_k), y(t_k)), & \text{a.e. } t \in J, \\ y(t) = y_0 + \int_0^t f_2(s, x(s), y(s)) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_2(x(t_k), y(t_k)), & \text{a.e. } t \in J. \end{cases} \quad (4.2)$$

Denote by  $S(f_{1,2}, (x_0, y_0))$  the set of all solutions of problem (4.1).

**Theorem 4.1.** *Suppose that there are the functions  $\ell_i \in L^1(J, \mathbb{R}_+)$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , such that*

$$|f_i(t, x_1, y_1) - f_i(t, x_2, y_2)| < \ell_i(t)(|x_1 - x_2| + |y_1 - y_2|), \quad \forall (x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2.$$

*Then problem (4.1) has a unique solution.*

*Proof.*

1. The existence:

- We consider problem (4.1) on  $[0, t_1]$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} x'(t) &= f_1(t, x(t), y(t)), & y'(t) &= f_2(t, x(t), y(t)), & \text{a.e. } t \in [0, t_1], \\ x(0) &= x_0, & y(0) &= y_0. \end{aligned} \quad (4.3)$$

We consider the operator  $N_1$  defined by

$$\begin{aligned} N_1 : C([0, t_1], \mathbb{R}) \times C([0, t_1], \mathbb{R}) &\longrightarrow C([0, t_1], \mathbb{R}) \times C([0, t_1], \mathbb{R}), \\ (x, y) &\longrightarrow N_1(x, y), \end{aligned}$$

$$N_1(x, y)(t) = \left( x_0 + \int_0^t f_1(s, x(s), y(s)) ds; y_0 + \int_0^t f_2(s, x(s), y(s)) ds \right), \quad t \in [0, t_1].$$

Let  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \in C([0, t_1], \mathbb{R}) \times C([0, t_1], \mathbb{R})$ ,  $t \in [0, t_1]$ , and

$$\|N_1(x_1, y_1)(t) - N_1(x_2, y_2)(t)\| = \|(\alpha, \beta)\| = \begin{pmatrix} \|\alpha\| \\ \|\beta\| \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$\alpha = \int_0^t (f_1(s, x_1(s), y_1(s)) - f_1(s, x_2(s), y_2(s))) ds$$

and

$$\beta = \int_0^t (f_2(s, x_1(s), y_1(s)) - f_2(s, x_2(s), y_2(s))) ds.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|\alpha\| &\leq \int_0^t \ell_1(s) \|(x_1(s), y_1(s)) - (x_2(s), y_2(s))\| ds \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\tau} \int_0^t \tau \ell(s) e^{\tau L(s)} ds \left\| \begin{pmatrix} x_1 - x_2 \\ y_1 - y_2 \end{pmatrix} \right\|_{BC} \leq \frac{1}{\tau} e^{\tau L(t)} \left\| \begin{pmatrix} x_1 - x_2 \\ y_1 - y_2 \end{pmatrix} \right\|_{BC} = \frac{1}{\tau} e^{\tau L(t)} \left\| \begin{pmatrix} x_1 - x_2 \\ y_1 - y_2 \end{pmatrix} \right\|_{BC} \\ &= \frac{1}{\tau} e^{\tau L(t)} (\|x_1 - x_2\| + \|y_1 - y_2\|) = e^{\tau L(t)} \left( \frac{1}{\tau} \|x_1 - x_2\| + \frac{1}{\tau} \|y_1 - y_2\| \right), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$L(t) = \int_0^t \ell(s) ds, \quad \text{and } \tau > 2.$$

Similarly,

$$\|\beta\| \leq e^{\tau L(t)} \left( \frac{1}{\tau} \|x_1 - x_2\| + \frac{1}{\tau} \|y_1 - y_2\| \right).$$

Thus

$$e^{-\tau L(t)} \|N_1(x_1, y_1)(t) - N_1(x_2, y_2)(t)\| \leq \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\tau} & \frac{1}{\tau} \\ \frac{1}{\tau} & \frac{1}{\tau} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \|x_1 - x_2\| \\ \|y_1 - y_2\| \end{pmatrix}, \quad t \in [0, t_1].$$

Then

$$\|N_1(x_1, y_1) - N_1(x_2, y_2)\|_{BC} \leq \frac{1}{\tau} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \|x_1 - x_2\| \\ \|y_1 - y_2\| \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$\left\| \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \right\|_{BC} = \sup_{t \in [0, t_1]} e^{-\tau L(t)} \left\| \begin{pmatrix} x(t) \\ y(t) \end{pmatrix} \right\|.$$

Let

$$B = \frac{1}{\tau} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then we have

$$\det(B - \lambda I) = \left( \frac{1}{\tau} - \lambda \right)^2 - \frac{1}{\tau^2},$$

hence  $\rho(B) = \frac{2}{\tau}$ . For  $\tau \in (2, +\infty)$ ,  $N_1$  is contractive, so there exists a unique

$$(x^0, y^0) \in C([0, t_1], \mathbb{R}) \times C([0, t_1], \mathbb{R}) \quad \text{such that } N_1(x^0, y^0) = (x^0, y^0).$$

Then  $(x^0, y^0)$  is the solution of (4.3).

- We consider problem (4.1) on  $(t_1, t_2]$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} x'(t) &= f_1(t, x(t), y(t)), & y'(t) &= f_2(t, x(t), y(t)), \quad \text{a.e. } t \in J_1 = (t_1, t_2], \\ x(t_1^+) &= x^0(t_1) + I_1(x^0(t_1), y^0(t_1)), & y(t_1^+) &= y^0(t_1) + I_1(x^0(t_1), y^0(t_1)). \end{aligned} \quad (4.4)$$

Consider the space  $C_* = \{(x, y) \in C(J_1, \mathbb{R}) \times C(J_1, \mathbb{R}) : (x(t_1^+), y(t_1^+)) \text{ exist}\}$ ,  $(C_*, \|\cdot\|_{J_1})$  is a Banach space.

Let

$$\begin{aligned} N_2 : C_* &\longrightarrow C_*, \\ (x, y) &\longrightarrow N_2(x, y), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} N_2(x, y)(t) &= \left( x^0(t_1) + I_1(x^0(t_1), y^0(t_1)) + \int_{t_1}^t f_1(s, x(s), y(s)) ds, \right. \\ &\quad \left. y^0(t_1) + I_2(x^0(t_1), y^0(t_1)) + \int_{t_1}^t f_2(s, x(s), y(s)) ds \right), \quad t \in (t_1, t_2]. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \in C_* \times C_*$ , and  $t \in (t_1, t_2]$ ,

$$\|N_2(x_1, y_1)(t) - N_2(x_2, y_2)(t)\| = \|(\alpha, \beta)\| = \begin{pmatrix} \|\alpha\| \\ \|\beta\| \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \|\alpha\| &\leq \int_{t_1}^t \ell(s) \|(x_1(s), y_1(s)) - (x_2(s), y_2(s))\| ds \leq \frac{1}{\tau} \int_{t_1}^t \tau \ell(s) e^{\tau L(s)} ds \left\| \begin{pmatrix} x_1 - x_2 \\ y_1 - y_2 \end{pmatrix} \right\|_{BC} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\tau} e^{\tau L(t)} \left\| \begin{pmatrix} x_1 - x_2 \\ y_1 - y_2 \end{pmatrix} \right\|_{BC} = e^{\tau L(t)} \left( \frac{1}{\tau} \|x_1 - x_2\| + \frac{1}{\tau} \|y_1 - y_2\| \right) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$L(t) = \int_{t_1}^t \ell(s) ds.$$

Similarly,

$$\|\beta\| \leq e^{\tau L(t)} \left( \frac{1}{\tau} \|x_1 - x_2\| + \frac{1}{\tau} \|y_1 - y_2\| \right).$$

So,

$$e^{-\tau L(t)} \|N_2(x_1, y_1)(t) - N_2(x_2, y_2)(t)\| \leq \frac{1}{\tau} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \|x_1 - x_2\| \\ \|y_1 - y_2\| \end{pmatrix}, \quad t \in (t_1, t_2].$$

Then

$$\|N_2(x_1, y_1) - N_2(x_2, y_2)\|_{BC} \leq \frac{1}{\tau} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \|x_1 - x_2\| \\ \|y_1 - y_2\| \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then for  $\tau \in (2, +\infty)$ ,  $N_2$  is a contraction and, so, there exists a unique  $(x^1, y^1) \in C((t_1, t_2], \mathbb{R})$  such that

$$N_2(x^1, y^1) = (x^1, y^1).$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} (x^1, y^1)(t_1^+) &= N_2(x^1, y^1)(t_1^+) = \left( x^0(t_1) + I_1(x^0(t_1), y^0(t_1)) + \lim_{t \rightarrow t_1} \int_{t_1}^t f_1(s, x(s), y(s)) ds, \right. \\ &\quad \left. y^0(t_1) + I_1(x^0(t_1), y^0(t_1)) + \lim_{t \rightarrow t_1} \int_{t_1}^t f_2(s, x(s), y(s)) ds \right). \end{aligned}$$

Then  $(x^1, y^1)$  is the solution of problem (4.4). As a consequence, arguing inductively, the solution of problem (4.1) is given by

$$(x^*, y^*)(t) := \begin{cases} (x^0, y^0)(t), & t \in [0, t_1], \\ (x^1, y^1)(t), & t \in (t_1, t_2], \\ \vdots \\ (x^m, y^m)(t), & t \in (t_m, 1]. \end{cases}$$

2. The uniqueness:

Let  $(x^*, y^*), (x^{**}, y^{**})$  be two solutions of problem (4.1). We are going to show that

$$(x^*, y^*)(t) = (x^{**}, y^{**})(t), \quad \forall t \in J = [0, 1].$$

Again, the process is inductive.

If  $t \in J_0 = [0, t_1]$ , then  $(x^*, y^*)(t) = (x^{**}, y^{**})(t), \forall t \in [0, t_1]$ .

Now, suppose that if  $t \in J_i = (t_i, t_{i+1}]$ , then  $(x^*, y^*)(t) = (x^{**}, y^{**})(t), \forall t \in (t_i, t_{i+1}]$ . It is enough to show that  $(x^*, y^*)(t_k^+) = (x^{**}, y^{**})(t_k^+), k \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$ . To that end, we have

$$(x^*, y^*)(t_i^+) - (x^*, y^*)(t_i^-) = (I_{1i}(x^*(t_i), y^*(t_i)), I_{2i}(x^*(t_i), y^*(t_i))),$$

which implies that

$$(x^*, y^*)(t_i^+) = (x^*, y^*)(t_i^-) + I_{1i}(x^*(t_i), y^*(t_i))$$

and

$$I_{2i}(x^*(t_i), y^*(t_i)) = (x^{**}, y^{**})(t_i) + (I_{1i}(x^{**}(t_i), y^{**}(t_i)), I_{2i}(x^{**}(t_i), y^{**}(t_i))) = (x^{**}, y^{**})(t_i^+). \quad \square$$

**Theorem 4.2.** *Suppose there exist a continuous function  $\psi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$  which is nondecreasing, and a function  $p \in L^1(J, \mathbb{R}_+)$  such that*

$$\|f^i(t, x, y)\| \leq p(t)\psi(\|x\| + \|y\|), \quad \forall t \in J, \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R},$$

with

$$\int_0^1 p(s) ds < \int_{\|x_0\|}^{\infty} \frac{du}{\psi(u)}.$$

Then problem (4.1) has at least one solution.

*Proof.* For the proof we use “the nonlinear alternative of Leray–Schauder”. Consider the operator

$$N : PC(J, \mathbb{R}) \times PC(J, \mathbb{R}) \longrightarrow PC(J, \mathbb{R}) \times PC(J, \mathbb{R})$$

defined by

$$N(x, y)(t) = \left( x_0 + \int_0^t f_1(s, x(s), y(s)) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_{1,k}(x(t_k), y(t_k)), \right. \\ \left. y_0 + \int_0^t f_2(s, x(s), y(s)) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_{2,k}(x(t_k), y(t_k)) \right).$$

The fixed points of  $N$  are the solutions of problem (4.1). It is enough to prove that  $N$  is completely continuous. This is established in the following steps.

**Step 1.**  $N$  is continuous.

Let  $(x_n, y_n)_n$  be a sequence in  $PC(J, \mathbb{R}) \times PC(J, \mathbb{R})$  such that  $(x_n, y_n) \rightarrow (x, y)$ . It is enough to prove that  $N(x_n, y_n) \rightarrow N(x, y)$ . For all  $t \in J$ , we have

$$N(x_n, y_n)(t) = \left( x_0 + \int_0^t f_1(s, x_n(s), y_n(s)) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_{1,k}(x_n(t_k), y_n(t_k)), \right. \\ \left. y_0 + \int_0^t f_2(s, x_n(s), y_n(s)) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_{2,k}(x_n(t_k), y_n(t_k)) \right).$$

Then

$$\|N(x_n, y_n)(t) - N(x, y)(t)\| = \|(\alpha, \beta)\| = \begin{pmatrix} \|\alpha\| \\ \|\beta\| \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$\|\alpha\| = \left\| \int_0^t (f_1(s, x_n(s), y_n(s)) - f_1(s, x(s), y(s))) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} (I_{1,k}(x_n(t_k), y_n(t_k)) - I_{1,k}(x(t_k), y(t_k))) \right\| \\ \leq \int_0^t \|f_1(s, x_n(s), y_n(s)) - f_1(s, x(s), y(s))\| ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} \|I_{1,k}(x_n(t_k), y_n(t_k)) - I_{1,k}(x(t_k), y(t_k))\|.$$

As  $I_k$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, m$ , are continuous functions, and  $f^1$  and  $f^2$  are  $L^1$ -Carathéodory functions, by the Lebesgue dominated convergence theorem, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\alpha\| &\leq \int_0^b \|f_1(s, x_n(s), y_n(s)) - f_1(s, x(s), y(s))\| ds \\ &\quad + \sum_{k=1}^m \|I_{1,k}(x_n(t_k), y_n(t_k)) - I_{1,k}(x(t_k), y(t_k))\| \longrightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} \|\beta\| &\leq \int_0^b \|f_2(s, x_n(s), y_n(s)) - f_2(s, x(s), y(s))\| ds \\ &\quad + \sum_{k=1}^m \|I_{2,k}(x_n(t_k), y_n(t_k)) - I_{2,k}(x(t_k), y(t_k))\| \longrightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

So,

$$\|N(x_n, y_n) - N(x, y)\| \longrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Then  $N$  is continuous.

**Step 2.**  $N$  transforms every bounded set into a bounded set in  $PC(J, \mathbb{R}) \times PC(J, \mathbb{R})$ .

It suffices to show that

$$\begin{aligned} \forall q = \begin{pmatrix} q_1 \\ q_2 \end{pmatrix} > 0, \exists \ell = \begin{pmatrix} \ell_1 \\ \ell_2 \end{pmatrix} > 0 \text{ such that} \\ \forall (x, y) \in \mathcal{B}_q = \{(x, y) \in PC \times PC : \|(x, y)\| \leq q\}, \text{ we have } \|N(x, y)\| \leq \ell. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $(x, y) \in \mathcal{B}_q$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} \|N(x, y)\| &\leq \left( \|x_0\| + \int_0^b \|f_1(s, x(s), y(s))\| ds + \sum_{k=1}^m \|I_{1,k}(x(t_k), y(t_k))\|, \right. \\ &\quad \left. \|y_0\| + \int_0^b \|f_2(s, x(s), y(s))\| ds + \sum_{k=1}^m \|I_{2,k}(x(t_k), y(t_k))\| \right) = (\alpha, \beta), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \|\alpha\| &\leq \|x_0\| + \int_0^b p(t)\psi(\|x\|_{PC} + \|y\|_{PC}) dt + \sum_{k=1}^m \|I_{1,k}(x(t_k), y(t_k))\| \\ &\leq \|x_0\| + \int_0^b p(t)\psi(\|x\|_{PC} + \|y\|_{PC}) dt + \sum_{k=1}^m \sup_{(x,y) \in \overline{B}_q} \|I_{1,k}(x, y)\| := \ell_1. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\|\beta\| \leq \|y_0\| + \int_0^b p(t)\psi(\|x\|_{PC} + \|y\|_{PC}) dt + \sum_{k=1}^m \sup_{(x,y) \in \overline{B}_q} \|I_{2,k}(x, y)\| := \ell_2.$$

**Step 3.**  $N$  transforms every bounded set into an equicontinuous set to  $PC(J, \mathbb{R}) \times PC(J, \mathbb{R})$ .

Let  $\tau_1, \tau_2 \in J$ ,  $\tau_1 < \tau_2$  and let  $\mathcal{B}_q$  be as in Step 2.

Let  $(x, y) \in \mathcal{B}_q$ . Then:

1. If  $\tau_1 \neq t_k$  (or  $\tau_2 \neq t_k$ ),  $\forall k \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|N(x, y)(\tau_2) - N(x, y)(\tau_1)\| &\leq \left( \int_{\tau_1}^{\tau_2} p(s)\psi(q_1 + q_2) ds + \sum_{\tau_1 \leq t_k < \tau_2} \sup_{(x, y) \in \overline{B_q}} \|I_{1,k}(x, y)\|, \right. \\ &\quad \left. \int_{\tau_1}^{\tau_2} p(s)\psi(q_1 + q_2) ds + \sum_{\tau_1 \leq t_k < \tau_2} \sup_{(x, y) \in \overline{B_q}} \|I_{2,k}(x, y)\| \right) \longrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ as } \tau_1 \rightarrow \tau_2. \end{aligned}$$

2. If  $\tau_1 = t_i^-$ , we consider  $\delta_1 > 0$  such that  $\{t_k, k \neq i\} \cap [t_i - \delta_1, t_i + \delta_1] = \emptyset$ , so, for  $0 < h < \delta_1$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|N(x, y)(t_i) - N(x, y)(t_i - h)\| &\leq \left( \int_{t_i - h}^{t_i} p(s)\psi(q_1 + q_2) ds, \int_{t_i - h}^{t_i} p(s)\psi(q_1 + q_2) ds \right) \longrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ as } h \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

3. If  $\tau_2 = t_i^+$ , we consider  $\delta_2 > 0$  such that  $\{t_k, k \neq i\} \cap [t_i - \delta_2, t_i + \delta_2] = \emptyset$ , so, for  $0 < h < \delta_2$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|N(x, y)(t_i + h) - N(x, y)(t_i)\| &\leq \left( \int_{t_i}^{t_i + h} p(s)\psi(q_1 + q_2) ds, \int_{t_i}^{t_i + h} p(s)\psi(q_1 + q_2) ds \right) \longrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ as } h \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

So by Steps 1, 2 and 3, and by Arzelà-Ascoli's theorem,  $N$  is completely continuous.

**Step 4.** A Priori Estimates.

Let  $(x, y) \in PC(J, \mathbb{R}) \times PC(J, \mathbb{R})$  such that  $(x, y) = \lambda N(x, y)$ , and  $0 < \lambda < 1$ . Then for all  $t \in [0, t_1]$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= \lambda x_0 + \lambda \int_0^t f_1(s, x(s), y(s)) ds, \\ y(t) &= \lambda y_0 + \lambda \int_0^t f_2(s, x(s), y(s)) ds, \end{aligned}$$

and so,

$$\|(x, y)(t)\| \leq \left( \|x_0\| + \int_0^t p(s)\psi(\|x(s)\| + \|y(s)\|) ds, \|y_0\| + \int_0^t p(s)\psi(\|x(s)\| + \|y(s)\|) ds \right), \quad t \in [0, t_1].$$

Consider the map  $\vartheta = (\vartheta_1, \vartheta_2)$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \vartheta_1(t) &= \|x_0\| + \int_0^t p(s)\psi(\|x(s)\| + \|y(s)\|) ds, \quad t \in [0, t_1], \\ \vartheta_2(t) &= \|y_0\| + \int_0^t p(s)\psi(\|x(s)\| + \|y(s)\|) ds, \quad t \in [0, t_1]. \end{aligned}$$

Then we have

$$\vartheta(0) = (\|x_0\|, \|y_0\|), \quad \|(x, y)(t)\| \leq \vartheta(t), \quad t \in [0, t_1],$$

and

$$\dot{\vartheta}_i(t) = p(t)\psi(\|x(s)\| + \|y(t)\|), \quad \forall i = 1, 2, \quad t \in [0, t_1].$$

As  $\psi$  is a nondecreasing map, we have

$$\dot{\vartheta}_i(t) \leq p(t)\psi(\vartheta_i(t)), \quad \forall i = 1, 2, \quad t \in [0, t_1],$$

which implies that for every  $t \in [0, t_1]$ ,

$$\int_{\vartheta_i(0)}^{\vartheta_i(t)} \frac{du}{\psi(u)} \leq \int_0^{t_1} p(s) ds, \quad \forall i = 1, 2.$$

The map  $\Gamma_{i,0}(z) = \int_{\vartheta_i(0)}^z \frac{du}{\psi(u)}$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , is continuous and increasing. Then  $\Gamma_{i,0}^{-1}$  exists and is increasing, and we get

$$\vartheta_i(t) \leq \Gamma_{i,0}^{-1} \left( \int_0^{t_1} p(s) ds \right) := M_{i,0}, \quad i = 1, 2.$$

As for all  $t \in [0, t_1]$ ,  $\|(x, y)(t)\| \leq \vartheta(t)$ , and so,

$$\sup_{t \in [0, t_1]} \|(x, y)(t)\| \leq \begin{pmatrix} M_{1,0} \\ M_{2,0} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Now, for  $t \in (t_1, t_2]$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|x(t_1^+)\| &\leq \|I_{1,1}(x(t_1), y(t_1))\| + \|x(t_1)\| \leq \sup_{(x,y) \in \overline{B}_q} \|I_{1,1}(x, y)\| + M_{1,0} := N_1, \\ \|y(t_1^+)\| &\leq \|I_{2,1}(x(t_1), y(t_1))\| + \|y(t_1)\| \leq \sup_{(x,y) \in \overline{B}_q} \|I_{2,1}(x, y)\| + M_{2,0} := N_2, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} q &= \begin{pmatrix} M_{1,0} \\ M_{2,0} \end{pmatrix}, \\ y(t) &= \lambda(x(t_1) + I_{1,1}(x(t_1), y(t_1))) + \lambda \int_{t_1}^t f_1(s, x(s), y(s)) ds, \\ y(t) &= \lambda(y(t_1) + I_{2,1}(x(t_1), y(t_1))) + \lambda \int_{t_1}^t f_2(s, x(s), y(s)) ds. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|x(t)\| &\leq N_1 + \int_{t_1}^t p(s)\psi(\|x(s)\| + \|y(s)\|) ds, \quad t \in [t_1, t_2], \\ \|y(t)\| &\leq N_2 + \int_{t_1}^t p(s)\psi(\|x(s)\| + \|y(s)\|) ds, \quad t \in [t_1, t_2]. \end{aligned}$$

Consider the map  $W = (W_1, W_2)$  such that

$$W_1(t) = N_1 + \int_{t_1}^t p(s)\psi(\|x(s)\| + \|y(s)\|) ds, \quad t \in [t_1, t_2],$$

$$W_2(t) = N_2 + \int_{t_1}^t p(s)\psi(\|x(s)\| + \|y(s)\|) ds, \quad t \in [t_1, t_2].$$

So,

$$W(t_1^+) = (N_1, N_2), \quad \|(x, y)(t)\| \leq W(t), \quad t \in [t_1, t_2],$$

and

$$\dot{W}_i(t) = p(t)\psi(\|x(t)\| + \|y(t)\|), \quad \forall i = 1, 2, \quad t \in [t_1, t_2].$$

Since  $\psi$  is nondecreasing, we get

$$\dot{W}_i(t) \leq p(t)\psi(W_i(t)), \quad \forall i = 1, 2, \quad t \in [t_1, t_2],$$

what implies that for every  $t \in [t_1, t_2]$ , we have

$$\int_{W_i(t_1^+)}^{W_i(t)} \frac{du}{\psi(u)} \leq \int_{t_1}^t p(s) ds, \quad i = 1, 2.$$

If we consider the map  $\Gamma_{i,1}(z) = \int_{W_i(t_1^+)}^z \frac{du}{\psi(u)}$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , we get

$$W_i(t) \leq \Gamma_{i,1}^{-1} \left( \int_{t_1}^t p(s) ds \right) := M_{i,1}, \quad i = 1, 2.$$

For all  $t \in [t_1, t_2]$ ,

$$\|(x, y)(t)\| = \begin{pmatrix} \|x(t)\| \\ \|y(t)\| \end{pmatrix} \leq \begin{pmatrix} W_1(t) \\ W_2(t) \end{pmatrix},$$

so,

$$\sup_{t \in [t_1, t_2]} \|(x, y)(t)\| \leq \begin{pmatrix} M_{1,1} \\ M_{2,1} \end{pmatrix}.$$

We continue this process to the interval  $(t_m, 1]$ , and  $(x, y)|_{(t_m, 1]}$  is the solution of the problem  $(x, y) = \lambda N(x, y)$  for  $0 < \lambda < 1$ . There exists  $M_{i,m}$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , such that

$$\sup_{t \in [t_m, b]} \|(x, y)(t)\| \leq \Gamma_{i,m}^{-1} \left( \int_{t_m}^b p(s) ds \right) := M_{i,m}.$$

As we choose  $(x, y)$  arbitrarily, for all solution of problem (4.1) we have

$$\|(x, y)\| \leq \begin{pmatrix} \max_{k=0,1,\dots,m} (M_{1,k}) \\ \max_{k=0,1,\dots,m} (M_{2,k}) \end{pmatrix} := \begin{pmatrix} b_1^* \\ b_2^* \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thus, the set

$$\mathcal{K} = \left\{ (x, y) \in PC \times PC : (x, y) = \lambda N(x, y), \quad \lambda \in (0, 1) \right\}.$$

Since  $N : PC \times PC \rightarrow PC \times PC$  is completely continuous and the set  $\mathcal{K}$  is bounded, from Theorem 2.4,  $N$  has a fixed point  $(x, y) \in PC \times PC$  which is the solution of problem (4.1).  $\square$



**Theorem 4.3.** *Suppose that the conditions of Theorem 4.2 hold. Then the set of all solutions of problem (4.1) is nonempty, compact,  $R_\delta$ , and acyclic. Moreover, the solution operator  $S$  is u.s.c., where*

$$\begin{aligned} S : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} &\longrightarrow \mathcal{P}_{cp}(PC \times PC), \\ (x_0, y_0) &\longrightarrow S(x_0, y_0), \\ S(x_0, y_0) &= \left\{ (x, y) \in PC \times PC : (x, y) \text{ is a solution of problem (4.1) with } (x(0), y(0)) = (x_0, y_0) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.*

- The solution set is compact.

Let  $(a, b) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$S(a, b) = \left\{ (x, y) \in PC \times PC : (x, y) \text{ is a solution of problem (4.1) with } (x(0), y(0)) = (a, b) \right\}.$$

1.  $S(a, b)$  is a closed set.

Let  $(x_q, y_q)_q$  be a sequence in  $S(a, b)$  such that

$$\lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} (x_q, y_q) = (x, y).$$

Let

$$\begin{aligned} Z_1(t) &= a + \int_0^t f_1(s, x(s), y(s)) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_{1,k}(x(t_k), y(t_k)), \quad t \in [0, 1], \\ Z_2(t) &= b + \int_0^t f_2(s, x(s), y(s)) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_{2,k}(x(t_k), y(t_k)), \quad t \in [0, 1]. \end{aligned}$$

For  $t \in [0, 1]$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\|x_q(t) - Z_1(t)\| \\ &\leq \int_0^t \|f_1(s, x_q(s), y_q(s)) - f_1(s, x(s), y(s))\| ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} \|I_{1,k}(x_q(t_k), y_q(t_k)) - I_{1,k}(x(t_k), y(t_k))\| \\ &\leq \int_0^1 \|f_1(s, x_q(s), y_q(s)) - f_1(s, x(s), y(s))\| ds + \sum_{k=1}^m \|I_{1,k}(x_q(t_k), y_q(t_k)) - I_{1,k}(x(t_k), y(t_k))\|. \end{aligned}$$

By the Lebesgue dominated convergence theorem, we have

$$\|x_q(t) - Z_1(t)\| \longrightarrow 0 \text{ as } q \rightarrow \infty.$$

Similarly,

$$\|y_q(t) - Z_2(t)\| \longrightarrow 0 \text{ as } q \rightarrow \infty.$$

So,  $\lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} (x_q, y_q) = (x, y) = (Z_1, Z_2) \in S(a, b)$ .

2.  $S(a, b)$  is bounded uniformly.

Let  $(x, y) \in S(a, b)$ ; then  $(x, y)$  is a solution of problem (4.1) and hence,  $\exists b^* > 0$  such that

$$\|(x, y)\| \leq (b^*, b^*).$$

3.  $S(a, b)$  is equicontinuous.

Let  $r_1, r_2 \in [0, 1]$ ,  $r_1 < r_2$  and  $(x, y) \in S(a, b)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|(x, y)(r_1) - (x, y)(r_2)\| \leq & \left( \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \|f_1(s, x(s), y(s))\| ds + \sum_{r_1 < t_k < r_2} \|I_{1,k}(x(t), y(t))\|, \right. \\ & \left. \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \|f_2(s, x(s), y(s))\| ds + \sum_{r_1 < t_k < r_2} \|I_{2,k}(x(t), y(t))\| \right) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \|f_1(s, x(s), y(s))\| ds + \sum_{r_1 < t_k < r_2} \|I_{1,k}(x(t), y(t))\| \\ & \leq \int_{r_1}^{r_2} p(s)\psi(\|x(s)\| + \|y(s)\|) ds + \sum_{r_1 < t_k < r_2} \sup_{(x,y) \in \overline{B}_{b^*}} \|I_{1,k}(x, y)\| \\ & \leq \int_{r_1}^{r_2} p(s)\psi(b_1^* + b_2^*) ds + \sum_{r_1 < t_k < r_2} \sup_{(x,y) \in \overline{B}_{b^*}} \|I_{1,k}(x, y)\| \longrightarrow 0 \text{ as } r_1 \rightarrow r_2. \end{aligned}$$

Then  $S(a, b)$  is compact.

- The solution set  $S(a, b)$  is  $R_\delta$ .

Let  $N : PC \times PC \longrightarrow PC \times PC$  be defined by

$$\begin{aligned} N(x, y)(t) = & \left( a + \int_0^t f_1(s, x(s), y(s)) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_{1,k}(x(t_k), y(t_k)), \right. \\ & \left. b + \int_0^t f_2(s, x(s), y(s)) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_{2,k}(x(t_k), y(t_k)) \right), \quad t \in J. \end{aligned}$$

Then  $\text{Fix } N = S(a, b)$ , and by Step 4 of the proof of Theorem 4.2,  $\exists b^* > 0$  such that

$$\|(x, y)\| \leq (b^*, b^*), \quad \forall (x, y) \in S(a, b).$$

For  $i = 1, 2$ , we define

$$\tilde{f}_i(t, y(t)) = \begin{cases} f_i(t, x(t), y(t)), & \text{if } \|(x, y)(t)\| \leq (b^*, b^*), \\ f_i\left(t, \frac{b^* x(t)}{\|x(t)\|}, \frac{b^* y(t)}{\|y(t)\|}\right), & \text{if } \|(x, y)(t)\|_{PC \times PC} \geq (b^*, b^*) \end{cases}$$

and

$$\tilde{I}_{i,k}(x(t), y(t)) = \begin{cases} I_{i,k}(x(t), y(t)) & \text{if } \|(x, y)(t)\| \leq (b^*, b^*), \\ I_{i,k}\left(\frac{b_1^* x(t)}{\|x(t)\|}, \frac{b_2^* y(t)}{\|y(t)\|}\right) & \text{if } \|(x, y)(t)\| \geq (b^*, b^*). \end{cases}$$

Since the functions  $f_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , are  $L^1$ -Carathéodory,  $\tilde{f}_i$  are also  $L^1$ -Carathéodory, and  $\exists h \in L^1(J, \mathbb{R}_+)$  such that

$$\|\tilde{f}_i(t, x, y)\| \leq h(t), \quad \forall i = 1, 2, \text{ a.e. } t \in J, \text{ and } (x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}. \quad (4.5)$$

Consider the problem

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}(t) = \tilde{f}_1(t, x(t), y(t)), & t \in [0, 1], \\ \dot{y}(t) = \tilde{f}_2(t, x(t), y(t)), & t \in [0, 1], \\ x(t_k^+) - x(t_k^-) = \tilde{I}_{1,k}(x(t_k), y(t_k^-)), & k = 1, 2, \dots, m, \\ y(t_k^+) - y(t_k^-) = \tilde{I}_{2,k}(x(t_k), y(t_k^-)), & k = 1, 2, \dots, m, \\ x(0) = a, \quad y(0) = b. \end{cases}$$

We can easily prove that  $\text{Fix } N = \text{Fix } \tilde{N}$ , where  $\tilde{N} : PC \times PC \rightarrow PC \times PC$  is defined by

$$\tilde{N}(x, y)(t) = \left( a + \int_0^t \tilde{f}_1(s, x(s), y(s)) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} \tilde{I}_{1,k}(x(t_k), y(t_k)), \right. \\ \left. b + \int_0^t \tilde{f}_2(s, x(s), y(s)) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} \tilde{I}_{2,k}(x(t_k), y(t_k)) \right), \quad t \in J.$$

By inequalities (4.5) and the continuity of  $I_{i,k}$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , we get

$$\|\tilde{N}(x, y)\| \leq \left( \|a\| + \|h\|_{L^1} + \sum_{k=1}^m \sup_{(x,y) \in \bar{B}_b^*} \|I_{1,k}(x, y)\|, \right. \\ \left. \|b\| + \|h\|_{L^1} + \sum_{k=1}^m \sup_{(x,y) \in \bar{B}_b^*} \|I_{2,k}(x, y)\| \right) := (r_1, r_2) = r.$$

Then  $\tilde{N}$  is bounded uniformly.

We can easily prove that the function  $\mathcal{M}$  defined by  $\mathcal{M}(x, y) = (x, y) - \tilde{N}(x, y)$  is well defined, and since  $\tilde{N}$  is compact, by the Lasota–Yorke theorem (Theorem 2.7), it is easy to prove that the conditions of Theorem 2.8 are satisfied. Then the set  $\mathcal{M}^{-1}(0) = \text{Fix } \tilde{N} = S(a, b)$  is the  $R_\delta$ -set and, by Lemma 2.7, it is also acyclic.

- The solution operator is *u.s.c.*

1.  $S$  has a closed graph.

To see this, first we note that the graph of  $S$  is the set

$$G_S = \left\{ ((a, b), (x, y)) \in (\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}) \times (PC \times PC) : (x, y) \in S(a, b) \right\}.$$

Let  $((a_q, b_q), (x_q, y_q))_q$  be a sequence in  $G_S$ , and let  $((a_q, b_q), (x_q, y_q))_q \rightarrow ((a, b), (x, y))$  as  $q \rightarrow \infty$ . Since  $(x_q, y_q) \in S(a_q, b_q)$ , we have

$$x_q(t) = a_q + \int_0^t f_1(s, x_q(s), y_q(s)) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_{1,k}(x_q(s), y_q(t_k)), \quad t \in J, \\ y_q(t) = b_q + \int_0^t f_2(s, x_q(s), y_q(s)) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_{2,k}(x_q(s), y_q(t_k)), \quad t \in J.$$

Let

$$Z(t) = (Z_1(t), Z_2(t)) = \left( a + \int_0^t f_1(s, x(s), y(s)) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_{1,k}(x(s), y(t_k)), \right. \\ \left. b + \int_0^t f_2(s, x(s), y(s)) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_{2,k}(x(s), y(t_k)) \right), \quad t \in J.$$

Let  $t \in J$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} & \| (x_q, y_q)(t) - Z(t) \| \\ & \leq \left( \|a_q - a\| + \int_0^b \|f_1(s, x_q(s), y_q(s)) - f_1(s, x(s), y(s))\| ds + \sum_{k=1}^m \|I_{1,k}(x_q(t), y_q(t)) - I_{1,k}(x(t), y(t))\|, \right. \\ & \left. \|b_q - b\| + \int_0^b \|f_2(s, x_q(s), y_q(s)) - f_2(s, x(s), y(s))\| ds + \sum_{k=1}^m \|I_{2,k}(x_q(t), y_q(t)) - I_{2,k}(x(t), y(t))\| \right) \end{aligned}$$

and, by the Lebesgue dominated convergence theorem, we have

$$\| (x_q, y_q)(t) - Z(t) \| \longrightarrow 0 \text{ as } q \rightarrow \infty.$$

Then

$$(x, y)(t) = Z(t),$$

which implies that  $(x, y) \in S(a, b)$ .

2.  $S$  transforms every bounded set into a relatively compact set.

Let  $r = \begin{pmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \end{pmatrix} > 0$  and  $\bar{B}_r := \{(x, y) \in PC \times PC : \|(x, y)\| \leq r\}$ .

(a)  $S(\bar{B}_r)$  is bounded uniformly.

Let  $(x, y) \in S(\bar{B}_r)$ , then there exists  $(a, b) \in \bar{B}_r$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= a + \int_0^t f_1(s, x(s), y(s)) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_{1,k}(x(t_k), y(t_k)), \quad t \in J, \\ y(t) &= b + \int_0^t f_2(s, x(s), y(s)) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_{2,k}(x(t_k), y(t_k)), \quad t \in J. \end{aligned}$$

By the same method detailed in Step 4 of the proof of Theorem 4.2, we find that there exists  $b^* > 0$  such that

$$\|(x, y)\|_{PC \times PC} \leq (b^*, b^*).$$

(b)  $S(\bar{B}_r)$  is an equicontinuous set.

Let  $\tau_1, \tau_2 \in J$ ,  $\tau_1 < \tau_2$ , and  $(x, y) \in S(\bar{B}_r)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \| (x, y)(\tau_2) - (x, y)(\tau_1) \| \\ & \leq \left( \int_{\tau_1}^{\tau_2} \|f_1(s, x(s), y(s))\| ds + \sum_{\tau_1 < t_k < \tau_2} \|I_{1,k}(x(t_k), y(t_k))\|, \right. \\ & \quad \left. \int_{\tau_1}^{\tau_2} \|f_2(s, x(s), y(s))\| ds + \sum_{\tau_1 < t_k < \tau_2} \|I_{2,k}(x(t_k), y(t_k))\| \right) \\ & \leq \left( \int_{\tau_1}^{\tau_2} p(s) \psi(\|x(s)\| + \|y(s)\|) ds + \sum_{\tau_1 < t_k < \tau_2} \|I_{1,k}(x(t_k), y(t_k))\|, \right. \\ & \quad \left. \int_{\tau_1}^{\tau_2} p(s) \psi(\|x(s)\| + \|y(s)\|) ds + \sum_{\tau_1 < t_k < \tau_2} \|I_{2,k}(x(t_k), y(t_k))\| \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq \left( \int_{\tau_1}^{\tau_2} p(s)\psi(b_1^* + b_2^*) ds + \sum_{\tau_1 < t_k < \tau_2} \sup_{(x,y) \in \overline{B_b^*}} \|I_{1,k}(x,y)\|, \right. \\ \left. \int_{\tau_1}^{\tau_2} p(s)\psi(b_1^* + b_2^*) ds + \sum_{\tau_1 < t_k < \tau_2} \sup_{(x,y) \in \overline{B_b^*}} \|I_{2,k}(x,y)\| \right) \longrightarrow 0 \text{ as } \tau_1 \rightarrow \tau_2.$$

Thus the set  $\overline{S(\overline{B_r})}$  is compact.

The operator  $S$  is locally compact and has a closed graph, so,  $S$  is *u.s.c.*  $\square$

**Theorem 4.4.** *Assume that the conditions of Theorem 3.1 hold, where  $F_1, F_2 : J \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_{cp,cv}(\mathbb{R})$  are Carathéodory, *u.s.c.* and mLL-sectionnable. Then the set of all solutions of problem (1.1) is contractible.*

*Proof.* Let  $f^i \in S_{F_i}$  be a locally Lipschitzian measurable selection of  $F_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . Let us consider the problem

$$\begin{cases} x'(t) = f_1(t, x(t), y(t)), & \text{a.e. } t \in J, \\ y'(t) = f_2(t, x(t), y(t)), & \text{a.e. } t \in J, \\ x(t_k^+) - x(t_k^-) = I_{1k}(x(t_k), y(t_k)), & k = 1, \dots, m, \\ y(t_k^+) - y(t_k^-) = I_{2k}(x(t_k), y(t_k)), & k = 1, \dots, m, \\ x(0) = x_0, \quad y(0) = y_0. \end{cases} \quad (4.6)$$

By Theorem 4.1, problem (4.6) has a unique solution.

Consider a homotopy function  $h : S(x_0, y_0) \times [0, 1] \rightarrow S(x_0, y_0)$  defined by

$$h((x, y), \alpha)(t) = \begin{cases} (x, y)(t) & \text{if } 0 \leq t \leq \alpha, \\ (x^*, y^*)(t) & \text{if } \alpha < t \leq 1, \end{cases}$$

where  $(x^*, y^*)$  is the solution of problem (4.6), and  $S(x_0, y_0)$  is the set of all solutions of problem (1.1). In particular

$$h((x, y), \alpha) = \begin{cases} (x, y), & \text{if } \alpha = 1, \\ (x^*, y^*), & \text{if } \alpha = 0. \end{cases}$$

Thus to prove that  $S(x_0, y_0)$  is contractible, it is enough to show that the homotopy  $h$  is continuous. Let  $((x_n, y_n), \alpha_n) \in S(x_0, y_0) \times [0, 1]$  be such that  $((x_n, y_n), \alpha_n) \rightarrow ((x, y), \alpha)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . We have

$$h((x_n, y_n), \alpha_n)(t) = \begin{cases} (x_n, y_n)(t) & \text{if } 0 \leq t \leq \alpha_n, \\ (x^*, y^*)(t) & \text{if } \alpha_n < t \leq 1. \end{cases}$$

(a) If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n = 0$ , then

$$h((x, y), 0)(t) = (x^*, y^*)(t) \text{ for all } t \in J.$$

Thus

$$\|h((x_n, y_n), \alpha_n) - h((x, y), \alpha)\|_\infty \leq \|(x_n, y_n) - (x^*, y^*)\|_{[0, \alpha_n]} \longrightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

(b) If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n = 1$ , then

$$h((x, y), 1)(t) = (x, y)(t) \text{ for all } t \in J.$$

Thus

$$\|h((x_n, y_n), \alpha_n) - h((x, y), \alpha)\|_\infty \leq \|(x_n, y_n) - (x, y)\|_{[0, \alpha_n]} \longrightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

(c) If  $0 < \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n = \alpha < 1$ , then we distinguish the following two cases.

(1) If  $t \in [0, \alpha]$ , we have  $(x_n, y_n) \in S(x_0, y_0)$ , thus there exists  $(v_{1n}, v_{2n}) \in S_{F_1} \times S_{F_2}$  such that for all  $t \in [0, \alpha_n]$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} x_n(t) &= x_0 + \int_0^t v_{1n}(s) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_{1,k}(x_n(t_k), y_n(t_k)), \\ y_n(t) &= y_0 + \int_0^t v_{2n}(s) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_{2,k}(x_n(t_k), y_n(t_k)). \end{aligned}$$

By Step 5 of the proof of Theorem 3.1, we have

$$\|(x_n, y_n)\|_{PC \times PC} \leq b^* = \begin{pmatrix} b_1^* \\ b_2^* \end{pmatrix},$$

and, by hypothesis, we get

$$\|(v_{1n}, v_{2n})(t)\| \leq p(t)\psi(b_1^* + b_2^*) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N} \implies (v_{1n}, v_{2n})(t) \in p(t)\psi(b_1^* + b_2^*)\overline{B}(0, 1).$$

The sequences  $\{v_{1n}(\cdot), v_{2n}(\cdot)\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  are integrably bounded. By the Dunford–Pettis theorem [52], there are subsequences, still denoted by  $(v_{1n})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}, (v_{2n})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  which converge weakly to elements  $v_1(\cdot) \in L^1$  and  $v_2(\cdot) \in L^1$ , respectively. Mazur's Lemma implies the existence of  $\alpha_i^n \geq 0, i = 1, 2, k(n)$ , such that  $\sum_{i=1}^{k(n)} \alpha_i^n = 1$  and the sequence of convex combinations  $g_n^i(\cdot) = \sum_{j=1}^{k(n)} \alpha_j^n v_{ij}(\cdot), i = 1, 2$ , converges strongly to  $v_i$  in  $L^1$ . Since  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  take convex values, using Lemma 2.6, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} v_i(t) &\in \bigcap_{n \geq 1} \overline{\{g_n^i(t)\}}, \text{ a.e. } t \in J, \\ &\subset \bigcap_{n \geq 1} \overline{\text{co}}\{v_{ik}(t), k \geq n\} \subset \bigcap_{n \geq 1} \overline{\text{co}}\left\{\bigcup_{k \geq n} F_i(t, x_k(t), y_k(t))\right\} \\ &= \overline{\text{co}}\left(\limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} F_i(t, x_k(t), y_k(t))\right). \end{aligned} \tag{4.7}$$

Since  $F$  is *u.s.c.* with compact values, by Lemma 2.5, we have

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_i(t, x_n(t), y_n(t)) \subseteq F_i(t, x(t), y(t)) \text{ for a.e. } t \in [0, \alpha].$$

This, together with (4.7), imply that

$$v_i(t) \in \overline{\text{co}} F_i(t, x(t), y(t)), \quad i = 1, 2.$$

Hence, for every  $t \in [0, \alpha]$ ,

$$x(t) = x_0 + \int_0^t v_1(s) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_{1,k}(x(t_k), y(t_k))$$

and

$$y(t) = y_0 + \int_0^t v_2(s) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t} I_{2,k}(x(t_k), y(t_k)).$$

(2) If  $t \in ]\alpha_n, 1]$ , then

$$h((x_n, y_n), \alpha_n)(t) = h((x, y), \alpha)(t) = (x^*, y^*)(t).$$

Thus

$$\|h((x_n, y_n), \alpha_n) - h((x, y), \alpha)\| \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Hence,  $h$  is continuous, so, the set  $S(x_0, y_0)$  is contractible.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.5.** *Suppose the conditions of Theorem 3.1 hold, and  $F_1, F_2 : J \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_{cp,cv}(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R})$  are Carathéodory, u.s.c. and  $\sigma$ -Ca-selectionnable. Then the set of all solutions of problem (1.1) is  $R_\delta$ -contractible and acyclic.*

*Proof.* Let  $f^i \in S_{F_i}$  be a Carathéodory selection of  $F_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . Consider the homotopy multifunction  $\Pi : S(x_0, y_0) \times [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(S(x_0, y_0))$  defined by

$$\Pi((x, y), \alpha) = \begin{cases} S(x_0, y_0)(t) & \text{if } 0 \leq t \leq \alpha, \\ S(f, \alpha, (x, y)) & \text{if } \alpha < t \leq 1, \end{cases}$$

where

- $S(x_0, y_0)$  is the set of all solutions of problem (1.1);
- $S(f, \alpha, (x, y))$  is the set of all solutions of the problem

$$\begin{cases} z'_1(t) = f_1(t, z_1(t), z_2(t)), & \text{a.e. } t \in [\alpha, 1], \\ z'_2(t) = f_2(t, z_1(t), z_2(t)), & \text{a.e. } t \in [\alpha, 1], \\ z_1(t_k^+) - z_1(t_k^-) = I_{1,k}(z_1(t_k), z_2(t_k)), & k = 1, \dots, m, \\ z_2(t_k^+) - z_2(t_k^-) = I_{2,k}(z_1(t_k), z_2(t_k)), & k = 1, \dots, m, \\ z_1(\alpha) = x(\alpha), \quad z_2(\alpha) = y(\alpha). \end{cases} \quad (4.8)$$

By the definition of  $\Pi$ , for all  $(x, y) \in S(x_0, y_0)$ ,  $(x, y) \in \Pi((x, y), 1)$  and  $\Pi((x, y), 0) = S(f, 0, (x, y))$ , which is an  $R_\delta$ -set by Theorem 4.3.

It remains to show that  $\Pi$  is u.s.c. and  $\Pi((x, y), \alpha)$  is an  $R_\delta$ -set for all  $((x, y), \alpha) \in S(x_0, y_0) \times [0, 1]$ . The proof is given by the following steps.

**Step 1.**  $\Pi$  is locally compact.

(a) The multifunction  $\tilde{S} : [0, 1] \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(PC(J, \mathbb{R}) \times PC(J, \mathbb{R}))$  defined by

$$\tilde{S}(\tilde{t}, (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y})) = S(f, \tilde{t}, (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}))$$

is u.s.c. where  $S(f, \tilde{t}, (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}))$  is the set of all solutions of the problem

$$\begin{cases} z'_1(t) = f_1(t, z_1(t), z_2(t)), & \text{a.e. } t \in [\tilde{t}, 1], \\ z'_2(t) = f_2(t, z_1(t), z_2(t)), & \text{a.e. } t \in [\tilde{t}, 1], \\ z_1(t_k^+) - z_1(t_k^-) = I_{1,k}(z_1(t_k), z_2(t_k)), & k = 1, \dots, m, \\ z_2(t_k^+) - z_2(t_k^-) = I_{2,k}(z_1(t_k), z_2(t_k)), & k = 1, \dots, m, \\ z_1(\tilde{t}) = \tilde{x}, \quad z_2(\tilde{t}) = \tilde{y}. \end{cases} \quad (4.9)$$

Assume the opposite, i.e.,  $\tilde{S}$  is not u.s.c. Then for some point  $(\tilde{t}, (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}))$ , there is an open neighborhood  $U$  of  $\tilde{S}(\tilde{t}, (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}))$  in  $PC([0, 1], \mathbb{R}) \times PC([0, 1], \mathbb{R})$  such that for any open neighborhood  $V$  of  $(\tilde{t}, (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}))$  in  $[0, 1] \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ , there exists  $(\tilde{t}_1, (\tilde{x}_1, \tilde{y}_1)) \in V$  such that  $\tilde{S}(\tilde{t}_1, (\tilde{x}_1, \tilde{y}_1)) \not\subset U$ .

Let

$$V_n = \left\{ (t, (x, y)) \in [0, 1] \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} : d((t, (x, y)), (\tilde{t}, (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}))) < \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{n} \\ \frac{1}{n} \\ \frac{1}{n} \end{pmatrix} \right\}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N},$$

where  $d$  is the generalized metric of the space  $[0, 1] \times (\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R})$ . Then for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  we take  $(t_n, (x_n, y_n)) \in V_n$  and  $(x_n, y_n) \in \tilde{S}(t_n, (x_n, y_n))$  such that  $(x_n, y_n) \notin U$ . We define the functions

$$G_{\tilde{t}, (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y})}, F_{\tilde{t}, (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y})} : PC([0, 1], \mathbb{R}) \times PC([0, 1], \mathbb{R}) \longrightarrow PC([0, 1], \mathbb{R}) \times PC([0, 1], \mathbb{R})$$

by

$$F_{\tilde{t},(\tilde{x},\tilde{y})}^-(x,y)(t) = \left( \tilde{x} + \int_{\tilde{t}}^t f_1(s, (x(s), y(s))) ds + \sum_{\tilde{t} < t_k < t} I_{1k}(x(t_k), y(t_k)), \right. \\ \left. \tilde{y} + \int_{\tilde{t}}^t f_2(s, (x(s), y(s))) ds + \sum_{\tilde{t} < t_k < t} I_{2k}(x(t_k), y(t_k)) \right), \quad t \in [\tilde{t}, 1],$$

$$G_{\tilde{t},(\tilde{x},\tilde{y})}^-(x,y) = (x,y) - F_{\tilde{t},(\tilde{x},\tilde{y})}^-(x,y) \quad \text{for } t \in [0, 1], \quad (x,y) \in PC(J, \mathbb{R}) \times PC(J, \mathbb{R}).$$

Then for  $(x,y) \in PC(J, \mathbb{R}) \times PC(J, \mathbb{R})$ ,  $t, \tilde{t} \in [0, 1]$ , and  $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ , we have

$$F_{\tilde{t},(\tilde{x},\tilde{y})}^-(x,y)(t) = (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}) - F_{0,(\tilde{x},\tilde{y})}(x,y)(\tilde{t}) + F_{0,(\tilde{x},\tilde{y})}(x,y)(t).$$

Consequently,

$$G_{\tilde{t},(\tilde{x},\tilde{y})}^-(x,y)(t) = -(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}) + F_{0,(\tilde{x},\tilde{y})}(x,y)(t) + G_{0,(\tilde{x},\tilde{y})}(x,y)(t).$$

Then, we obtain

$$\tilde{S}(\tilde{t}, (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y})) = G_{\tilde{t},(\tilde{x},\tilde{y})}^{-1}(0) \quad \text{for all } (\tilde{t}, (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y})) \in [0, 1] \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}.$$

Since  $F_{\tilde{t},(\tilde{x},\tilde{y})}^-$  is compact (see the proof of Theorem 4.3),  $G_{\tilde{t},(\tilde{x},\tilde{y})}^-$  is proper. And as  $(x_n, y_n) \in \tilde{S}(t_n, (x_n, y_n))$ , we have

$$x_n(t) = x_n(t_n) + \int_{t_n}^t f_1(s, x_n(s), y_n(s)) ds + \sum_{t_n < t_k < t} I_{1,k}(x_n(t_k), y_n(t_k)), \quad t \in [t_n, 1], \\ y_n(t) = y_n(t_n) + \int_{t_n}^t f_2(s, x_n(s), y_n(s)) ds + \sum_{t_n < t_k < t} I_{2,k}(x_n(t_k), y_n(t_k)), \quad t \in [t_n, 1],$$

which in turn gives

$$0 = G_{t_n, (x_n, y_n)}(x_n, y_n)(t) = -(x_n, y_n)(t_n) + F_{0, (x_n, y_n)}(x_n, y_n)(t_n) + G_{0, (x_n, y_n)}(x_n, y_n)(t)$$

and

$$G_{\tilde{t}, (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y})}^-(x_n, y_n)(t) = -(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}) + F_{0, (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y})}(x_n, y_n)(\tilde{t}) + G_{0, (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y})}(x_n, y_n)(t).$$

Then

$$\|G_{\tilde{t}, (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y})}^-(x_n, y_n)(t) - G_{t_n, (x_n, y_n)}(x_n, y_n)(t)\| = \|G_{\tilde{t}, (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y})}^-(x_n, y_n)(t)\| \\ = \left\| -(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}) + (x_n, y_n)(t_n) + F_{0, (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y})}(x_n, y_n)(\tilde{t}) - F_{0, (x_n, y_n)}(x_n, y_n)(t_n) \right\| = \left\| \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix} \right\| = \left( \frac{\|\alpha\|}{\|\beta\|} \right),$$

where

$$\alpha = -\tilde{x} + x_n(t_n) + \left( \tilde{x} + \int_0^{\tilde{t}} f_1(s, x_n(s), y_n(s)) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < \tilde{t}} I_{1,k}(x_n(t_k), y_n(t_k)) \right) \\ - \left( x_n(t_n) + \int_0^{t_n} f_1(s, x_n(s), y_n(s)) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t_n} I_{1,k}(x_n(t_k), y_n(t_k)) \right).$$



Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \|\alpha\| &\leq \int_{t_n}^{\tilde{t}} \|f_1(s, x_n(s), y_n(s))\| ds + \sum_{t_n < t_k < \tilde{t}} \|I_{1,k}(x_n(t_k), y_n(t_k))\| \\ &\leq \int_{t_n}^{\tilde{t}} p(s)\psi(b_1^* + b_2^*) ds + \sum_{t_n < t_k < \tilde{t}} \|I_{1,k}(x_n(t_k), y_n(t_k))\|. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} \beta &= -\tilde{y} + y_n(t_n) + \left( \tilde{y} + \int_0^{\tilde{t}} f_2(s, x_n(s), y_n(s)) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < \tilde{t}} I_{2,k}(x_n(t_k), y_n(t_k)) \right) \\ &\quad - \left( y_n(t_n) + \int_0^{t_n} f_2(s, x_n(s), y_n(s)) ds + \sum_{0 < t_k < t_n} I_{2,k}(x_n(t_k), y_n(t_k)) \right), \\ \|\beta\| &\leq \int_{t_n}^{\tilde{t}} p(s)\psi(b_1^* + b_2^*) ds + \sum_{t_n < t_k < \tilde{t}} \|I_{2,k}(x_n(t_k), y_n(t_k))\|. \end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n, y_n) = (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}) \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} t_n = \tilde{t}$$

imply that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} G_{\tilde{t}, (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y})}^{-1}(x_n, y_n) = 0.$$

Then the set  $A = \overline{\{G_{\tilde{t}, (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y})}^{-1}(x_n, y_n)\}}$  is compact, thus  $G_{\tilde{t}, (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y})}^{-1}(A)$  is also compact. It is clear that  $\{(x_n, y_n)\} \subset A$ . As  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n, y_n) = (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y})$ , it follows  $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}) \in \tilde{S}(\tilde{t}, (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y})) \subset U$ , so we have a contradiction to the hypothesis  $(x_n, y_n) \notin U$  for every  $n$ .

(b)  $\Pi$  is locally compact.

For  $r = \begin{pmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \end{pmatrix} > 0$ , consider the set

$$B \times I = \left\{ ((x, y), \alpha) \in S(x_0, y_0) \times [0, 1] : \|(x, y)\| \leq r \right\},$$

and let  $\{u_n\} \in \Pi(B \times I)$ . Then there exists  $((x_n, y_n), \alpha_n) \in B \times I$  such that

$$u_n(t) = \begin{cases} (x_n, y_n) & \text{if } 0 \leq t \leq \alpha_n, \\ v_n(t) & \text{if } \alpha_n < t \leq 1, \quad v_n \in S(f, \alpha_n, (x_n, y_n)). \end{cases}$$

Since  $S(x_0, y_0)$  is compact, there exists a subsequence of  $(x_n, \alpha_n)_n$  which converges to  $((x, y), \alpha)$ .  $\tilde{S}$  is *u.s.c.* implies that for all  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $n_0(\varepsilon)$  such that  $v_n(t) \in \tilde{S}(t, (x, y)) = S(f, \alpha, (x, y))$  for all  $n \geq n_0(\varepsilon)$ , and by the compactness of  $S(f, \alpha, (x, y))$ , it is concluded that there is a subsequence of  $\{v_n\}$  which converges towards  $v \in S(f, \alpha, (x, y))$ . Hence  $\Pi$  is locally compact.

**Step 2.**  $\Pi$  has a closed graph.

Let  $((x_n, y_n), \alpha_n) \rightarrow ((x_*, y_*), \alpha)$ ,  $h_n \in \Pi(x_n, y_n, \alpha_n)$  and  $h_n \rightarrow h_*$  as  $n \rightarrow +\infty$ . We are going to prove that  $h_* \in \Pi((x_*, y_*), \alpha)$ . Now,  $h_n \in \Pi((x_n, y_n), \alpha_n)$  implies that there exists  $z_n \in S(f^i, \alpha_n, (x_n, y_n))$  such that for all  $t \in J$ ,

$$h_n(t) = \begin{cases} (x_n, y_n) & \text{if } 0 \leq t \leq \alpha_n, \\ z_n(t) & \text{if } \alpha_n < t \leq 1. \end{cases}$$

Therefore, it is enough to prove that there exists  $z_* \in S(f^i, \alpha, (x_*, y_*))$  such that for all  $t \in J$ ,

$$h_*(t) = \begin{cases} (x_*, y_*) & \text{if } 0 \leq t \leq \alpha, \\ z_*(t) & \text{if } \alpha < t \leq 1. \end{cases}$$

It is clear that  $(\alpha_n, (x_n, y_n)) \rightarrow (\alpha, (x_*, y_*))$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , and it can easily be proved that there exists a subsequence of  $\{z_n\}$  which converges to  $z_*$ . So, we can handle the cases  $\alpha = 0$  and  $\alpha = 1$  as we did in the proof of Theorem 4.4, and we obtain finally that  $z_* \in S(f, \alpha, (x_*, y_*))$ .

**Step 3.**  $\Pi((x, y), \alpha)$  is an  $R_\delta$ -set for all  $((x, y), \alpha) \in S(x_0, y_0) \times [0, 1]$ .

Since  $F$  is  $\sigma$ -Ca-selectionnable, there is a decreasing sequence of multifunctions  $F_k : [0, b] \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_{cp,cv}(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R})$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , which admit Carathéodory selections and

$$F_{k+1}(t, u) \subset F_k(t, u) \text{ for all } t \in [0, 1], u \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R},$$

and

$$F(t, u) = \bigcap_{k=0}^{\infty} F_k(t, u), \quad u \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}.$$

Then

$$\Pi((x, y), \alpha) = \bigcap_{k=0}^{\infty} S(F_k, (x, y)).$$

By Theorem 4.3, the sets  $\Pi((x, y), \alpha)$  and  $S(F_k, (x, y))$  are compact. Furthermore, by Theorem 4.4, the set  $S(F_k, (x, y))$  is contractible. Thus,  $\Pi((x, y), \alpha)$  is an  $R_\delta$ -set.  $\square$

**Lemma 4.1.** *Suppose that the multifunction  $F : J \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_{cp,cv}(\mathbb{R})$  is Carathéodory and u.s.c. of the type of Scorza–Dragoni. Then the set of all solutions of problem (1.1) is  $R_\delta$ -contractible.*

*Proof.* By Theorem 2.6, we have that  $F$  is  $\sigma$ -Ca-selectionnable. Thus we have the same conditions of the last theorem.  $\square$

## 5 Summary/Conclusion

In this paper, we investigate the existence of a solution for the system of differential inclusions under various assumptions on the multi-valued right-hand side nonlinearity. Also, we have studied some properties of solution sets of those results, such as topological properties (compactness), acyclicity properties, geometric topological properties,  $R_\delta$ , etc. Theorem 4.3 is a major result entailing some of the topological properties, while Section 4 is devoted to geometric topological properties.

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