

SECOND-ORDER DIFFERENTIAL INCLUSIONS WITH LIPSCHITZ RIGHT-HAND SIDES

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ABSTRACT. We study the existence of solutions of a three-point boundary-value problem for a second-order differential inclusion,

$$\begin{aligned} \ddot{u}(t) &\in F(t, u(t), \dot{u}(t)), \quad \text{a.e. } t \in [0, 1], \\ u(0) &= 0, \quad u(\theta) = u(1). \end{aligned}$$

Here F is a set-valued mapping from $[0, 1] \times E \times E$ to E with nonempty closed values satisfying a standard Lipschitz condition, and E is a separable Banach space.

1. INTRODUCTION

We study the existence of solutions to the second-order differential inclusion

$$\begin{aligned} \ddot{u}(t) &\in F(t, u(t), \dot{u}(t)), \quad \text{a.e. } t \in [0, 1], \\ u(0) &= 0, \quad u(\theta) = u(1), \end{aligned} \tag{1.1}$$

where $F : [0, 1] \times E \times E \rightarrow E$ is a nonempty closed valued multifunction and θ is a given number in $[0, 1]$. Existence of solutions for (1.1) has been investigated by many authors [2, 3, 4, 9] under the assumption that F is a convex bounded-valued multifunction upper semicontinuous on $E \times E$ and integrably compact.

The aim of this article is to provide existence of solutions for (1.1) under the standard Lipschitz condition for the multifunction F , when it is nonconvex.

After some preliminaries in section 3, we present our main result which is the existence of $\mathbf{W}_E^{2,1}([0, 1])$ -solutions for (1.1). We suppose that F is a closed valued multifunction satisfying the Lipschitz condition

$$\mathcal{H}(F(t, x_1, y_1), F(t, x_2, y_2)) \leq k_1(t)\|x_1 - y_1\| + k_2(t)\|x_2 - y_2\|$$

where $\mathcal{H}(\cdot, \cdot)$ stands for the Hausdorff distance.

For first-order differential inclusions satisfying the standard Lipschitz condition we refer the reader to [5, 6, 7, 10] and the references therein.

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2. NOTATION AND PRELIMINARIES

In this article, $(E, \|\cdot\|)$ is a separable Banach space and E' is its topological dual, $\overline{\mathbf{B}}_E$ is the closed unit ball of E , $\mathcal{L}([0, 1])$ is the σ -algebra of Lebesgue-measurable sets of $[0, 1]$, $\lambda = dt$ is the Lebesgue measure on $[0, 1]$, and $\mathcal{B}(E)$ is the σ -algebra of Borel subsets of E . By $L_E^1([0, 1])$, we denote the space of all Lebesgue-Bochner integrable E -valued mappings defined on $[0, 1]$.

Let $\mathbf{C}_E([0, 1])$ be the Banach space of all continuous mappings $u : [0, 1] \rightarrow E$, endowed with the supremum norm, and let $\mathbf{C}_E^1([0, 1])$ be the Banach space of all continuous mappings $u : [0, 1] \rightarrow E$ with continuous derivative, equipped with the norm

$$\|u\|_{\mathbf{C}^1} = \max\left\{\max_{t \in [0, 1]} \|u(t)\|, \max_{t \in [0, 1]} \|\dot{u}(t)\|\right\}.$$

Recall that a mapping $v : [0, 1] \rightarrow E$ is said to be scalarly derivable when there exists some mapping $\dot{v} : [0, 1] \rightarrow E$ (called the weak derivative of v) such that, for every $x' \in E'$, the scalar function $\langle x', v(\cdot) \rangle$ is derivable and its derivative is equal to $\langle x', \dot{v}(\cdot) \rangle$. The weak derivative \ddot{v} of \dot{v} when it exists is the weak second derivative.

By $\mathbf{W}_E^{2,1}([0, 1])$ we denote the space of all continuous mappings $u \in \mathbf{C}_E([0, 1])$ such that their first usual derivatives are continuous and scalarly derivable and such that $\ddot{u} \in L_E^1([0, 1])$.

For closed subsets A and B of E , the Hausdorff distance between A and B is defined by

$$\mathcal{H}(A, B) = \sup(e(A, B), e(B, A))$$

where

$$e(A, B) = \sup_{a \in A} d(a, B) = \sup_{a \in A} \left(\inf_{b \in B} \|a - b\|\right)$$

stands for the excess of A over B .

3. EXISTENCE RESULTS UNDER LIPSCHITZ CONDITION

We begin with a proposition that summarizes some properties of some Green type function (see [1, 2, 8, 9]). It will use it in the study of our boundary value problems.

Proposition 3.1. *Let E be a separable Banach space and let $G : [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the function defined by*

$$G(t, s) = \begin{cases} -s & \text{if } 0 \leq s \leq t, \\ -t & \text{if } t < s \leq \theta, \\ t(s-1)/(1-\theta) & \text{if } \theta < s \leq 1, \end{cases}$$

if $0 \leq t < \theta$, and

$$G(t, s) = \begin{cases} -s & \text{if } 0 \leq s < \theta, \\ (\theta(s-t) + s(t-1))/(1-\theta) & \text{if } \theta \leq s \leq t, \\ t(s-1)/(1-\theta) & \text{if } t < s \leq 1, \end{cases}$$

if $\theta \leq t \leq 1$. Then the following assertions hold.

- (1) *If $u \in \mathbf{W}_E^{2,1}([0, 1])$ with $u(0) = 0$ and $u(\theta) = u(1)$, then*

$$u(t) = \int_0^1 G(t, s)\ddot{u}(s)ds, \quad \forall t \in [0, 1].$$

- (2) $G(\cdot, s)$ is derivable on $[0, 1]$ for every $s \in [0, 1]$, and its derivative is given by

$$\frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t, s) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 0 \leq s \leq t, \\ -1 & \text{if } t < s \leq \theta, \\ (s-1)/(1-\theta) & \text{if } \theta < s \leq 1, \end{cases}$$

if $0 \leq t < \theta$, and

$$\frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t, s) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 0 \leq s < \theta, \\ (s-\theta)/(1-\theta) & \text{if } \theta \leq s \leq t, \\ (s-1)/(1-\theta) & \text{if } t < s \leq 1, \end{cases}$$

if $\theta \leq t \leq 1$.

- (3) $G(\cdot, \cdot)$, and $\frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(\cdot, \cdot)$ satisfy

$$\sup_{t,s \in [0,1]} |G(t, s)| \leq 1, \quad \sup_{t,s \in [0,1]} \left| \frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t, s) \right| \leq 1. \quad (3.1)$$

- (4) For $f \in L_E^1([0, 1])$ and for the mapping $u_f : [0, 1] \rightarrow E$ defined by

$$u_f(t) = \int_0^1 G(t, s)f(s)ds, \quad \forall t \in [0, 1], \quad (3.2)$$

one has $u_f(0) = 0$ and $u_f(\theta) = u_f(1)$. Furthermore, the mapping u_f is derivable, and its derivative \dot{u}_f satisfies

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{u_f(t+h) - u_f(t)}{h} = \dot{u}_f(t) = \int_0^1 \frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t, s)f(s)ds \quad (3.3)$$

for all $t \in [0, 1]$. Consequently, \dot{u}_f is a continuous mapping from $[0, 1]$ into the space E .

- (5) The mapping \dot{u}_f is scalarly derivable; that is, there exists a mapping $\ddot{u}_f : [0, 1] \rightarrow E$ such that, for every $x' \in E'$, the scalar function $\langle x', \dot{u}_f(\cdot) \rangle$ is derivable with $\frac{d}{dt} \langle x', \dot{u}_f(t) \rangle = \langle x', \ddot{u}_f(t) \rangle$; furthermore

$$\ddot{u}_f = f \quad \text{a.e. on } [0, 1]. \quad (3.4)$$

Let us mention a useful consequence of Proposition 3.1.

Proposition 3.2. Let E be a separable Banach space and let $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow E$ be a continuous mapping (respectively a mapping in $L_E^1([0, 1])$). Then the mapping

$$u_f(t) = \int_0^1 G(t, s)f(s)ds, \quad \forall t \in [0, 1]$$

is the unique $\mathbf{C}_E^2([0, 1])$ -solution (respectively $\mathbf{W}_E^{2,1}([0, 1])$ -solution) to the differential equation

$$\begin{aligned} \ddot{u}(t) &= f(t), \quad \forall t \in [0, 1], \\ u(0) &= 0, \quad u(\theta) = u(1). \end{aligned}$$

Now we are able to state and prove our main result. The approach below used some techniques and arguments from [2, 6, 7].

Theorem 3.3. *Let E be a separable Banach space and let $F : [0, 1] \times E \times E \rightarrow E$ be a measurable multifunction with nonempty closed values. Let $g \in L^1_E([0, 1])$ and let $u_g : [0, 1] \rightarrow E$ be the mapping defined by*

$$u_g(t) = \int_0^1 G(t, s)g(s)ds, \quad \forall t \in [0, 1].$$

Assume that for some $r \in]0, +\infty]$ and

$$\mathbf{X}_r = \{(t, x, y) \in [0, 1] \times E \times E : \|x - u_g(t)\| < r; \|y - \dot{u}_g(t)\| < r\},$$

the following conditions hold:

- (i) *there exist two functions $k_1, k_2 \in L^1_{\mathbb{R}}([0, 1])$ with $k_1(t) \geq 0$ and $k_2(t) \geq 0$ satisfying $\|k_1 + k_2\|_{L^1_{\mathbb{R}}} < 1$ such that*

$$\mathcal{H}(F(t, x_1, y_1), F(t, x_2, y_2)) \leq k_1(t)\|x_1 - x_2\| + k_2(t)\|y_1 - y_2\|$$

for all $(t, x_1, y_1), (t, x_2, y_2) \in \mathbf{X}_r$;

- (ii) *there is $\eta \in L^1_{\mathbb{R}}([0, 1])$ satisfying $\|\eta\|_{L^1_{\mathbb{R}}} < [1 - \|k_1 + k_2\|_{L^1_{\mathbb{R}}}]r$, such that*

$$d(g(t), F(t, u_g(t), \dot{u}_g(t))) \leq \eta(t), \quad \forall t \in [0, 1].$$

Then the differential inclusion (1.1) has at least one solution $u \in \mathbf{W}_E^{2,1}([0, 1])$, with

$$\|u(t)\| \leq r + \|g(t)\|, \quad \|\dot{u}(t)\| \leq r + \|g(t)\|, \quad \forall t \in [0, 1].$$

Proof. Step 1. Since $\|k_1 + k_2\|_{L^1_{\mathbb{R}}} < 1$ and $\|\eta\|_{L^1_{\mathbb{R}}} < [1 - \|k_1 + k_2\|_{L^1_{\mathbb{R}}}]r$ we may choose some real number $\alpha > 0$ satisfying

$$(1 + \alpha)\|k_1 + k_2\|_{L^1_{\mathbb{R}}} < 1, \quad (1 + \alpha)\|\eta\|_{L^1_{\mathbb{R}}} < [1 - (1 + \alpha)\|k_1 + k_2\|_{L^1_{\mathbb{R}}}]r. \quad (3.5)$$

We will define a sequence of mappings f_n , $n \in \mathbb{N}$, of $L^1_E([0, 1])$ such that the following conditions are fulfilled (see (3.2) for the definition of u_f).

$$f_n \in L^1_E([0, 1]), \quad f_n(t) \in F(t, u_{f_{n-1}}(t), \dot{u}_{f_{n-1}}(t)), \quad \text{a.e. } t \in [0, 1]; \quad (3.6)$$

$$\|f_n(t) - f_{n-1}(t)\| \leq (1 + \alpha)d(f_{n-1}(t), F(t, u_{f_{n-1}}(t), \dot{u}_{f_{n-1}}(t))), \quad \forall t \in [0, 1]; \quad (3.7)$$

$$\text{gph}(u_{f_n}(\cdot), \dot{u}_{f_n}(\cdot)) = \{(u_{f_n}(t), \dot{u}_{f_n}(t)) : t \in [0, 1]\} \subset \mathbf{X}_r. \quad (3.8)$$

We put $f_0 = g$ and $u_{f_0}(t) = \int_0^1 G(t, s)f_0(s)ds = u_g(t)$, for all $t \in [0, 1]$. Let us consider the multifunction $H_0 : [0, 1] \rightarrow E$ defined by

$$H_0(t) = \{v \in F(t, u_{f_0}(t), \dot{u}_{f_0}(t)) : \|v - f_0(t)\| \leq (1 + \alpha)d(f_0(t), F(t, u_{f_0}(t), \dot{u}_{f_0}(t)))\}.$$

Observe first that $H_0(t) \neq \emptyset$ for any $t \in [0, 1]$.

Since $F(\cdot, u_{f_0}(\cdot), \dot{u}_{f_0}(\cdot))$ is measurable, the multifunction H_0 is also measurable with nonempty closed values. In view of the existence theorem of measurable selections (see [5]), there is a measurable mapping $f_1 : [0, 1] \rightarrow E$ such that $f_1(t) \in H_0(t)$, for all $t \in [0, 1]$. This yields, for all $t \in [0, 1]$, $f_1(t) \in F(t, u_{f_0}(t), \dot{u}_{f_0}(t))$ and $\|f_1(t) - f_0(t)\| \leq (1 + \alpha)d(f_0(t), F(t, u_{f_0}(t), \dot{u}_{f_0}(t)))$, and hence according to the assumption (ii),

$$\|f_1(t) - f_0(t)\| \leq (1 + \alpha)\eta(t).$$

So, we have

$$\|f_1(t)\| \leq \|f_1(t) - f_0(t)\| + \|f_0(t)\| \leq (1 + \alpha)\eta(t) + \|f_0(t)\|. \quad (3.9)$$

Since $\eta \in L^1_{\mathbb{R}}([0, 1])$ and $f_0 \in L^1_E([0, 1])$, the last inequality shows that $f_1 \in L^1_E([0, 1])$. Then we define the mapping $u_{f_1} : [0, 1] \rightarrow E$ by

$$u_{f_1}(t) = \int_0^1 G(t, s)f_1(s)ds, \quad \forall t \in [0, 1],$$

and by relation (3.3) in Proposition 3.1

$$\dot{u}_{f_1}(t) = \int_0^1 \frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t, s)f_1(s)ds, \quad \forall t \in [0, 1].$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_{f_1}(t) - u_{f_0}(t)\| &= \left\| \int_0^1 G(t, s)(f_1(s) - f_0(s))ds \right\| \\ &\leq \int_0^1 \|f_1(s) - f_0(s)\|ds \\ &\leq (1 + \alpha) \int_0^1 d(f_0(s), F(t, u_{f_0}(s), \dot{u}_{f_0}(s)))ds \\ &\leq (1 + \alpha)\|\eta\|_{L^1_{\mathbb{R}}} \\ &< [1 - (1 + \alpha)\|k_1 + k_2\|_{L^1_E}]r < r, \end{aligned}$$

the first inequality being due to (3.1) and the fourth one to (3.5). Similarly we have

$$\|\dot{u}_{f_1}(t) - \dot{u}_{f_0}(t)\| = \left\| \int_0^1 \frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t, s)(f_1(s) - f_0(s))ds \right\| \leq \int_0^1 \|f_1(s) - f_0(s)\|ds < r.$$

This shows that $\text{gph}(u_{f_1}(\cdot), \dot{u}_{f_1}(\cdot)) \subset \mathbf{X}_r$.

Suppose that f_i and u_{f_i} have been defined on $[0, 1]$ satisfying (3.6), (3.7) and (3.8) for $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$. Let us consider the multifunction $H_n : [0, 1] \rightarrow E$ defined by

$$H_n(t) = \left\{ v \in F(t, u_{f_n}(t), \dot{u}_{f_n}(t)) : \|v - f_n(t)\| \leq (1 + \alpha)d(f_n(t), F(t, u_{f_n}(t), \dot{u}_{f_n}(t))) \right\}.$$

Observe first that $H_n(t) \neq \emptyset$ for any $t \in [0, 1]$.

Since $F(\cdot, u_{f_n}(\cdot), \dot{u}_{f_n}(\cdot))$ is measurable, the multifunction H_n is also measurable with nonempty closed values. As above, in view of the existence theorem of measurable selections (see [5]), there is a measurable mapping $f_{n+1} : [0, 1] \rightarrow E$ such that $f_{n+1}(t) \in H_n(t)$, for all $t \in [0, 1]$. This yields for all $t \in [0, 1]$, $f_{n+1}(t) \in F(t, u_{f_n}(t), \dot{u}_{f_n}(t))$ and $\|f_{n+1}(t) - f_n(t)\| \leq (1 + \alpha)d(f_n(t), F(t, u_{f_n}(t), \dot{u}_{f_n}(t)))$. The second inequality implies

$$\begin{aligned} &\|f_{n+1}(t) - f_n(t)\| \\ &\leq (1 + \alpha)d(f_n(t), F(t, u_{f_n}(t), \dot{u}_{f_n}(t))) \\ &\leq (1 + \alpha)\mathcal{H}(F(t, u_{f_{n-1}}(t), \dot{u}_{f_{n-1}}(t)), F(t, u_{f_n}(t), \dot{u}_{f_n}(t))) \\ &\leq (1 + \alpha)[k_1(t)\|u_{f_n}(t) - u_{f_{n-1}}(t)\| + k_2(t)\|\dot{u}_{f_n}(t) - \dot{u}_{f_{n-1}}(t)\|], \end{aligned} \tag{3.10}$$

where the last inequality follows from assumption (i). However, the mapping f_{n-1} and f_n being integrable by the induction assumption, we have on the one hand

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_{f_n}(t) - u_{f_{n-1}}(t)\| &= \left\| \int_0^1 G(t, s) f_n(s) ds - \int_0^1 G(t, s) f_{n-1}(s) ds \right\| \\ &\leq \int_0^1 |G(t, s)| \|f_n(s) - f_{n-1}(s)\| ds \\ &\leq \|f_n - f_{n-1}\|_{L_E^1}, \end{aligned}$$

where the last inequality follows from the first inequality in (3.1). On the other hand using the second inequality in (3.6), we may write

$$\begin{aligned} \|\dot{u}_{f_n}(t) - \dot{u}_{f_{n-1}}(t)\| &= \left\| \int_0^1 \frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t, s) f_n(s) ds - \int_0^1 \frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t, s) f_{n-1}(s) ds \right\| \\ &\leq \int_0^1 \left| \frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t, s) \right| \|f_n(s) - f_{n-1}(s)\| ds \\ &\leq \|f_n - f_{n-1}\|_{L_E^1}. \end{aligned}$$

Combining those last inequalities and (3.10), we obtain

$$\|f_{n+1}(t) - f_n(t)\| \leq (1 + \alpha)(k_1(t) + k_2(t)) \|f_n - f_{n-1}\|_{L_E^1}. \quad (3.11)$$

Since $k_1, k_2 \in L_{\mathbb{R}}^1([0, 1])$ and $f_n, f_{n-1} \in L_E^1([0, 1])$, we see that $f_{n+1} \in L_E^1([0, 1])$. We may then integrate (3.11),

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \|f_{n+1}(t) - f_n(t)\| dt &\leq (1 + \alpha) \int_0^1 (k_1(t) + k_2(t)) \|f_n - f_{n-1}\|_{L_E^1} dt \\ &= (1 + \alpha) \|k_1 + k_2\|_{L_{\mathbb{R}}^1} \|f_n - f_{n-1}\|_{L_E^1}; \end{aligned}$$

that is,

$$\|f_{n+1} - f_n\|_{L_E^1} \leq (1 + \alpha) \|k_1 + k_2\|_{L_{\mathbb{R}}^1} \|f_n - f_{n-1}\|_{L_E^1}. \quad (3.12)$$

Taking (3.2) into account, we define the mapping $u_{f_{n+1}} : [0, 1] \rightarrow E$ by

$$u_{f_{n+1}}(t) = \int_0^1 G(t, s) f_{n+1}(s) ds, \quad \forall t \in [0, 1],$$

and relation (3.3) in Proposition 3.1 says that $u_{f_{n+1}}$ is derivable with

$$\dot{u}_{f_{n+1}}(t) = \int_0^1 \frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t, s) f_{n+1}(s) ds, \quad \forall t \in [0, 1].$$

Next, let us prove that the graph of $(u_{f_{n+1}}(\cdot), \dot{u}_{f_{n+1}}(\cdot))$ is contained in \mathbf{X}_r . Setting $\gamma = (1 + \alpha) \|k_1 + k_2\|_{L_{\mathbb{R}}^1}$ and using successively relation (3.12), we obtain

$$\|f_{n+1} - f_n\|_{L_E^1} \leq \gamma^n \|f_1 - f_0\| \leq \gamma^n (1 + \alpha) \|\eta\|_{L_{\mathbb{R}}^1} \quad (3.13)$$

with $\gamma < 1$, the last inequality being due to (3.9). On the other hand, since

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_{f_{n+1}}(t) - u_{f_n}(t)\| &\leq \|f_{n+1} - f_n\|_{L_E^1}, \\ \|\dot{u}_{f_{n+1}}(t) - \dot{u}_{f_n}(t)\| &\leq \|f_{n+1} - f_n\|_{L_E^1}, \end{aligned}$$

(3.13) yields

$$\|u_{f_{n+1}} - u_{f_n}\|_{\mathbf{C}^1} \leq \|f_{n+1} - f_n\|_{L_E^1} \leq \gamma^n (1 + \alpha) \|\eta\|_{L_{\mathbb{R}}^1}. \quad (3.14)$$

Writing,

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_{f_{n+1}}(t) - u_{f_0}(t)\| &\leq \|u_{f_{n+1}}(t) - u_{f_n}(t)\| + \|u_{f_n}(t) - u_{f_0}(t)\| \\ &\leq \gamma^n(1 + \alpha)\|\eta\|_{L^1_{\mathbb{R}}} + \|u_{f_n}(t) - u_{f_0}(t)\|, \end{aligned}$$

and using successively this relation, we obtain thanks to the second inequality of (3.11),

$$\|u_{f_{n+1}}(t) - u_{f_0}(t)\| \leq \left(\sum_{p=0}^n \gamma^p\right)(1 + \alpha)\|\eta\|_{L^1_{\mathbb{R}}} \leq \frac{1}{1 - \gamma}(1 + \alpha)\|\eta\|_{L^1_{\mathbb{R}}} < r. \quad (3.15)$$

Using again (3.14) to write

$$\begin{aligned} \|\dot{u}_{f_{n+1}}(t) - \dot{u}_{f_0}(t)\| &\leq \|\dot{u}_{f_{n+1}}(t) - \dot{u}_{f_n}(t)\| + \|\dot{u}_{f_n}(t) - \dot{u}_{f_0}(t)\| \\ &\leq \gamma^n(1 + \alpha)\|\eta\|_{L^1_{\mathbb{R}}} + \|\dot{u}_{f_n}(t) - \dot{u}_{f_0}(t)\|, \end{aligned}$$

we obtain, in a similar way,

$$\|\dot{u}_{f_{n+1}}(t) - \dot{u}_{f_0}(t)\| < r. \quad (3.16)$$

Consequently the sequences (f_n) and (u_{f_n}) are well defined satisfying (3.6), (3.7) and (3.8).

Step 2. By (3.13) we see that (f_n) is a Cauchy sequence in $L^1_E([0, 1])$, hence it converges to some mapping $f \in L^1_E([0, 1])$. In the same way (3.14) shows that (u_{f_n}) is a Cauchy sequence in $\mathbf{C}^1_E([0, 1])$, consequently it converges to some mapping $w \in \mathbf{C}^1_E([0, 1])$. Observe that

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_{f_n}(t) - u_f(t)\| &= \left\| \int_0^1 G(t, s)f_n(s)ds - \int_0^1 G(t, s)f(s)ds \right\| \\ &\leq \int_0^1 \|f_n(s) - f(s)\|ds = \|f_n - f\|_{L^1_E}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \|\dot{u}_{f_n}(t) - \dot{u}_f(t)\| &= \left\| \int_0^1 \frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t, s)f_n(s)ds - \int_0^1 \frac{\partial G}{\partial t}(t, s)f(s)ds \right\| \\ &\leq \int_0^1 \|f_n(s) - f(s)\|ds = \|f_n - f\|_{L^1_E}, \end{aligned}$$

which, according to the strong convergence in $L^1_E([0, 1])$ of (f_n) to the mapping f means that (u_{f_n}) converges in $(\mathbf{C}^1_E([0, 1]), \|\cdot\|_{\mathbf{C}^1})$ to u_f . Thus we get $w = u_f$, and by Proposition 3.1 (relations (3.2), (3.3) and (3.4)) we have $\ddot{u}_f = f$, with $u_f(0) = 0$, $u_f(\theta) = u_f(1)$.

Let us prove now that u_f is a solution of the problem (1.1). For this purpose, let us prove that, for each $t \in [0, 1]$, the graph of the multifunction $(x, y) \mapsto F(t, x, y)$ is closed relatively to $\mathbf{X}_r(t) \times E$ where

$$\mathbf{X}_r(t) = \{(x, y) \in E \times E : (t, x, y) \in \mathbf{X}_r\}.$$

Let $(x_n, y_n, v_n)_n$ be a sequence in $\text{gph}(F(t, \cdot, \cdot))$ converging to $(x, y, v) \in \mathbf{X}_r(t) \times E$. For each integer n , $v_n \in F(t, x_n, y_n)$, and hence

$$\begin{aligned} d(v, F(t, x, y)) &\leq \|v - v_n\| + d(v_n, F(t, x, y)) \\ &\leq \|v - v_n\| + \mathcal{H}(F(t, x_n, y_n), F(t, x, y)) \\ &\leq \|v - v_n\| + k_1(t)\|x_n - x\| + k_2(t)\|y_n - y\|. \end{aligned}$$

Since the last member goes to 0 as n tends to $+\infty$, this says that $v \in F(t, x, y)$ according to the closedness of this set. Consequently the graph of $F(t, \cdot, \cdot)$ is closed relatively to $\mathbf{X}_r(t) \times E$. Since (f_n) converges to f strongly in $L^1_E([0, 1])$, by extracting a subsequence we may suppose that (f_n) converges to f almost everywhere on $[0, 1]$. As $f_{n+1}(t) \in F(t, u_{f_n}(t), \dot{u}_{f_n}(t))$ and as (u_{f_n}) converges to u_f in $\mathbf{C}^1_E([0, 1])$ and $(t, u_{f_n}(t), \dot{u}_{f_n}(t)), (t, u_f(t), \dot{u}_f(t)) \in \mathbf{X}_r$, we conclude that $f(t) \in F(t, u_f(t), \dot{u}_f(t))$, a.e., equivalently $\ddot{u}_f(t) \in F(t, u_f(t), \dot{u}_f(t))$, a.e., with $u_f(0) = 0$; $u_f(\theta) = u_f(1)$. Furthermore, the relations (3.15) and (3.16) show that

$$\|u_f(t)\| \leq r + \|g(t)\|, \quad \|\dot{u}_f(t)\| \leq r + \|g(t)\|, \quad \forall t \in [0, 1].$$

This completes the proof of our theorem. \square

The following corollary translates the above result in a more amenable way.

Corollary 3.4. *Let E be a separable Banach space and $F : [0, 1] \times E \times E \rightarrow E$ be a measurable multifunction with nonempty closed values such that*

- (i) *there exist two functions $k_1, k_2 \in L^1_{\mathbb{R}}([0, 1])$ with $k_1(t) \geq 0$ and $k_2(t) \geq 0$ satisfying $\|k_1 + k_2\|_{L^1_{\mathbb{R}}} < 1$ such that*

$$\mathcal{H}(F(t, x_1, y_1), F(t, x_2, y_2)) \leq k_1(t)\|x_1 - x_2\| + k_2(t)\|y_1 - y_2\|$$

for all $(t, x_1, y_1), (t, x_2, y_2) \in [0, 1] \times E \times E$;

- (ii) *the function $t \mapsto d(0, F(t, 0, 0))$ is integrable.*

Then the differential inclusion (1.1) has at least a solution $u \in \mathbf{W}_E^{2,1}([0, 1])$.

Proof. Taking $g \equiv 0$ and $r = +\infty$, we see in Theorem 3.3 that $\mathbf{X}_r = [0, 1] \times E \times E$. Further putting $\eta(t) = d(0, F(t, 0, 0))$, the function η is integrable and satisfies the assumption (ii) of Theorem 3.3. We may then conclude that the corollary is a consequence of Theorem 3.3. \square

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