



Higher-order viability result for Carathéodory non-Lipschitz differential inclusion in Banach spaces

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Abstract. This paper deals with the construction of approximants and the existence of solutions to the following higher-order viability problem :

$x^{(k)}(t) \in F(t, x(t), x^{(1)}(t), \dots, x^{(k-1)}(t))$ a.e. on $[0, T[$ and $x(t) \in D$ for all $t \in [0, T]$, where $F : [0, T] \times D \times \prod_{i=1}^{k-1} \Omega_i \rightarrow 2^E$ is a non-convex and non-compact multifunction and D is a closed subset of a separable Banach space E . It extends our result established in the first-order case [6].

1. Introduction

Let E be a separable Banach space with a norm $\|\cdot\|$, D a nonempty closed subset of E , $\Omega_1, \dots, \Omega_{k-1}$ ($k \geq 2$) are nonempty open subsets of E , T a strictly positive real. Put $I := [0, T]$ and denote $W^{k,1}(I, E)$ the space of functions possessing absolutely continuous derivatives up to order k . Let $F : I \times D \times \prod_{i=1}^{k-1} \Omega_i \rightarrow 2^E$ be a multifunction. The aim of this work is to study, for any fixed $(x_0, y_0^1, \dots, y_0^{k-1}) \in D \times \prod_{i=1}^{k-1} \Omega_i$, the existence of solutions and the construction of approximants to the following problem :

$$\begin{cases} x^{(k)}(t) \in F(t, x(t), x^{(1)}(t), \dots, x^{(k-1)}(t)) \text{ a.e. on } [0, T[; \\ (x(0), x^{(1)}(0), \dots, x^{(k-1)}(0)) = (x_0, y_0^1, \dots, y_0^{k-1}); \\ x(t) \in D, \quad \forall t \in I. \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

By a solution to (1), we mean $x(\cdot) \in W^{k,1}(I, E)$ satisfying (1). Here F is a separately measurable on I and separately upper semi-continuous multifunction on $D \times \prod_{i=1}^{k-1} \Omega_i$ with non-convex and non-compact values

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in E , uniformly continuous with respect to the last argument.

This result is an extension of our paper [6], where it has been proved the existence of solutions to the following first-order viability problem :

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}(t) \in F(t, x(t)) \text{ a.e. on } [0, T]; \\ x(0) = x_0; \\ x(t) \in D, \forall t \in I. \end{cases} \tag{2}$$

assuming that the right-hand side $(t, x) \rightarrow F(t, x)$ is measurable on t and uniformly continuous on x in the following sense :

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta(\varepsilon) > 0, \forall (t, x, y) \in I \times D \times D, \|x - y\| \leq \delta(\varepsilon) \Rightarrow d_H(F(t, x), F(t, y)) \leq \varepsilon,$$

where d_H stands for the Hausdorff distance. Solution to (2) is obtained under the following tangency condition :

For all $t \in [0, T[$ and $x \in D$, for all measurable selection $\sigma(\cdot)$ of the multifunction $t \rightarrow F(t, x)$

$$\liminf_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{h} d_D \left(x + \int_t^{t+h} \sigma(s) ds \right) = 0.$$

As mentioned in [6], this result extends those of Larrieu [8] and Duc Ha [7] where these authors have studied problem (2) with Carathéodory Lipschitz single-valued map for the first author, while the second author gives a multivalued version of Larrieu’s result.

Similar problem of (1) in the case of non-convex Carathéodory Lipschitz right-hand side where proved by Aitalioubrahim and Sajid [1].

In this paper, we prove the existence of solutions to problem (1) where the right-hand side is a Carathéodory-upper semi-continuous multifunction, uniformly continuous with respect to the last variable whose values are not necessarily convex not compact in separable Banach spaces and satisfying the following condition :

For all $(t, x, y^1, \dots, y^{k-1}) \in [0, T[\times D \times \prod_{i=1}^{k-1} \Omega_i$, for all measurable selection $\sigma(\cdot)$ of the multifunction $t \rightarrow F(t, x, y^1, \dots, y^{k-1})$

$$\liminf_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{k!}{h^k} d \left(x + \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{h^i}{i!} y^i + \frac{h^{k-1}}{k!} \int_t^{t+h} \sigma(s) ds, D \right) = 0. \tag{3}$$

As far as we know, higher-order viability problem was first investigated by Marco and Murillo [10]. It has been proved a necessary and sufficient condition for the problem (1), to have a solution. More precisely, they assume the following tangency condition :

$$\forall (x, x_1, \dots, x_{k-1}) \in D \times \prod_{i=1}^{k-1} \Omega_i, F(x, x_1, \dots, x_{k-1}) \cap A_D^k(x, x_1, \dots, x_{k-1}) \neq \emptyset$$

where $A_D^k(x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{k-1})$ is the tangent set of k -th-order defined by

$$A_D^k(x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{k-1}) = \left\{ y \in E : \liminf_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{k!}{h^k} d \left(\sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \frac{h^i}{i!} x_i + \frac{h^k}{k!} y, D \right) = 0 \right\}.$$

Though under very strong assumptions, namely the multifunction F does not depend on the time with convex and compact values in finite dimensional space and the graph of the multifunction $(x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{k-1}) \rightarrow$

$A_D^k(x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{k-1})$ is locally compact.

In this paper, when F does not depend on the time ($F(t, x) = F(x)$), the tangency condition (3) becomes :

For all $(x, y_1, \dots, y_{k-1}) \in D \times \prod_{i=1}^{k-1} \Omega_i$, $F(x, y_1, \dots, y_{k-1}) \subset A_D^k(x, y_1, \dots, y_{k-1})$.

Clearly this tangency condition is rather strong than the one of Marco and Murillo. However, it is counterbalanced in this paper by weaker hypotheses, in particular the right-hand side is non-convex and non-compact not only in Eucliden spaces but in Banach spaces and the graph of the multifunction $(x, y_1, \dots, y_{k-1}) \rightarrow A_D^k(x, y_1, \dots, y_{k-1})$ is not necessarily locally compact.

2. Notations, definitions and main result

In all the paper, E is a separable Banach space with the norm $\|\cdot\|$. We denote by $W^{k,1}(I, E)$ the space of functions possessing absolutely continuous derivatives up to order $k - 1$. For $x \in E$ and $r > 0$, let $B(x, r) := \{y \in E : \|y - x\| < r\}$ be the open ball centered at x with radius r and $\bar{B}(x, r)$ be its closure and put $B = B(0, 1)$. For $x \in E$ and for nonempty bounded subsets A, B of E , we denote by $d_A(x)$ or $d(x, A)$ the real $\inf\{\|x - y\| : y \in A\}$; $e(A, B) := \sup\{d_B(x); x \in A\}$ and $d_H(A, B) = \max(e(A, B), e(B, A))$. Let $\mathcal{L}(I)$ the σ -algebra of Lebesgue measurable subsets of I , and $\mathcal{B}(E)$ is the σ -algebra of Borel subsets of E for the strong topology. A multifunction is said to be measurable if its graph (is measurable) belongs to $\mathcal{L}(I) \otimes \mathcal{B}(E)$. For more details on measurability theory, we refer the reader to the book by Castaing-Valadier [5].

Let $F : I \times D \times \prod_{i=1}^{k-1} \Omega_i \rightarrow 2^E$ be a multifunction with nonempty closed values in E . On F we make the following assumptions :

(A₁) For each $(x, y_1, \dots, y_{k-1}) \in D \times \prod_{i=1}^{k-1} \Omega_i$, $t \rightarrow F(t, x, y_1, \dots, y_{k-1})$ is measurable.

(A₂) For any $t \in I$, $(x, y_1, \dots, y_{k-1}) \rightarrow F(t, x, y_1, \dots, y_{k-1})$ is upper semi-continuous :

$\forall \varepsilon > 0, \forall t \in I, \forall (x, y_1, \dots, y_{k-1}) \in D \times \prod_{i=1}^{k-1} \Omega_i, \exists \alpha > 0, \forall (x', z_1, \dots, z_{k-1}) \in D \times \prod_{i=1}^{k-1} \Omega_i$

$$\max_{1 \leq i \leq k-1} \{\|x - x'\|, \|y_i - z_i\|\} < \alpha \Rightarrow F(t, x', z_1, \dots, z_{k-1}) \subset F(t, x, y_1, \dots, y_{k-1}) + B(0, \varepsilon)$$

(A₃) $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta(\varepsilon) > 0, \forall t \in I, \forall x, x' \in D$, and $(y_1, \dots, y_{k-1}), (z_1, \dots, z_{k-1}) \in \prod_{i=1}^{k-1} \Omega_i$

$$\|y_{k-1} - z_{k-1}\| \leq \delta(\varepsilon) \Rightarrow d_H\left(F(t, x, y_1, \dots, y_{k-1}), F(t, x', z_1, \dots, z_{k-1})\right) \leq \varepsilon$$

(A₄) There exists $M > 0$, for all $(t, x, y_1, \dots, y_{k-1}) \in I \times D \times \prod_{i=1}^{k-1} \Omega_i$

$$\sup_{z \in F(t, x, y_1, \dots, y_{k-1})} \|z\| \leq M.$$

(A₅) For all $t \in [0, T[$ and $(x, y^1, \dots, y^{k-1}) \in D \times \prod_{i=1}^{k-1} \Omega_i$, for all measurable selection $\sigma(\cdot)$ of the multifunction $t \rightarrow F(x, y^1, \dots, y^{k-1})$

$$\liminf_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{k!}{h^k} d\left(x + \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{h^i}{i!} y^i + \frac{h^{k-1}}{k!} \int_t^{t+h} \sigma(s) ds, D\right) = 0.$$

Let $(x_0, y_0^1, \dots, y_0^{k-1}) \in D \times \prod_{i=1}^{k-1} \Omega_i$. Under hypotheses (A₁)-(A₅) we shall prove the following main result :

Theorem 2.1. *There exists $x(\cdot) \in W^{k,1}(I, E)$, such that*

$$\begin{cases} x^{(k)}(t) \in F(t, x(t), x^{(1)}(t), \dots, x^{(k-1)}(t)) \text{ a.e. on } [0, T]; \\ (x(0), x^{(1)}(0), \dots, x^{(k-1)}(0)) = (x_0, y_0^1, \dots, y_0^{k-1}); \\ x(t) \in D, \quad \forall t \in I. \end{cases}$$

3. Preliminary results

We will need the following lemmas which deal with measurability results.

Lemma 3.1. [3] *Let Ω be a nonempty set in E . Let $G : [a, b] \times \Omega \rightarrow 2^E$ be a multifunction with nonempty closed values satisfying :*

- For every $x \in \Omega$, $G(\cdot, x)$ is measurable on $[a, b]$.
- For every $t \in [a, b]$, $G(t, \cdot)$ is (Hausdorff) continuous on Ω .

Then for any measurable function $x(\cdot) : [a, b] \rightarrow \Omega$ the multifunction $G(\cdot, x(\cdot))$ is measurable on $[a, b]$.

For the proof, see Lemma 8.2.3

Lemma 3.2. [5] *Let $R : I \rightarrow 2^E$ be a measurable multifunction with nonempty closed values in E . Then R admits a measurable selection : there exists a measurable function $r : I \rightarrow E$ that is $r(t) \in R(t)$ for all $t \in I$.*

Lemma 3.3. [6] *Let $G : I \rightarrow 2^E$ be a measurable multifunction with nonempty closed values and $z(\cdot) : I \rightarrow E$ a measurable function. Then for any positive measurable function $r(\cdot) : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$, there exists a measurable selection $g(\cdot)$ of G such that for all $t \in I$,*

$$\|g(t) - z(t)\| \leq d(z(t), G(t)) + r(t).$$

4. Proof of the main result

The approach is based on two steps, it consists of the construction of a sequence of approximate solutions in the first one; while in the second step, we prove the convergence of such approximate solutions.

Step 1 *Construction of approximants.*

For any $i = 1, \dots, k - 1$, Ω_i is nonempty open subsets of E , then there exists $\eta_i > 0$ such that $\overline{B}(y_0^i, \eta_i) \subset \Omega_i$.

Put $\eta = \min_{1 \leq i \leq k-1} \eta_i$, then $\prod_{i=1}^{k-1} \overline{B}(y_0^i, \eta) \subset \prod_{i=1}^{k-1} \Omega_i$.

Let us define the sequence $(c_p)_{p \in \mathbb{N}}$ as following :

$$\begin{cases} c_0 = \max_{1 \leq i \leq k-1} \|y_0^i\|, \\ c_p = kc_{p-1} + M + 1, \quad \forall p \geq 1. \end{cases} \tag{4}$$

For each integer $n > \max(T; 1)$, put $\tau_n := \frac{T}{n}$ and consider the following partition of the interval I with the points : $t_i^n = i\tau_n, i = 0, 1, \dots, n$. Remark that $I = \bigcup_{i=0}^{n-1} [t_i^n, t_{i+1}^n]$.

Since $t \rightarrow F(t, x_0, y_0^1, \dots, y_0^{k-1})$ is measurable with closed values, then by Lemma 3.2, there exists a measurable function $f_0(\cdot)$ such that for all $t \in I, f_0(t) \in F(t, x_0, y_0^1, \dots, y_0^{k-1})$. Note that by $(A_4), f_0(\cdot) \in L^1(I, E)$.

For any $n \in \mathbb{N}^*,$ put $f_0^n(\cdot) = f_0(\cdot)$. We shall prove the following theorem :

Theorem 4.1. For all $n \in \mathbb{N}^*,$ there exist $\varphi_0(n) \in \mathbb{N}^*, (x_1^n, y_{1,n}^1, \dots, y_{1,n}^{k-1}) \in D \times \prod_{i=1}^{k-1} \Omega_i, u_0^n(\cdot), f_1^n(\cdot) \in L^1(I, E)$ such that :

$$(i) \ x_1^n := x_0 + \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{\tau_{\varphi_0(n)}^i}{i!} y_0^i + \frac{\tau_{\varphi_0(n)}^k}{k!} u_0^n(0) \in D,$$

$$(ii) \ y_{1,n}^j = \sum_{j=i}^{k-1} \frac{\tau_{\varphi_0(n)}^{j-i}}{(j-i)!} y_0^j + \frac{\tau_{\varphi_0(n)}^{k-i}}{(k-i)!} u_0^n(0), \quad i \in \{1, \dots, k-1\},$$

$$(iii) \ (y_{1,n}^1, \dots, y_{1,n}^{k-1}) \in \prod_{i=1}^{k-1} \bar{B}(y_0^i, \eta),$$

$$(iv) \ u_0^n(t) \in F(t, x_0, y_0^1, \dots, y_0^{k-1}) + \frac{1}{2^n} \bar{B}, \quad \|u_0^n(t) - f_0^n(t)\| \leq \frac{1}{2^n}, \quad a.e. \text{ on } [t_0^n, t_1^n],$$

$$(v) \ f_1^n(t) \in F(t, x_1^n, y_{1,n}^1, \dots, y_{1,n}^{k-1}), \quad \|f_1^n(t) - f_0^n(t)\| \leq \frac{1}{2^{n+1}}, \quad \text{for all } t \in I.$$

Proof. By (A_5) for all $t \in [0, T],$

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{k!}{\tau_n^k} d_D \left(x_0 + \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{\tau_n^i}{i!} y_0^i + \frac{\tau_n^{k-1}}{k!} \int_t^{t+\tau_n} f_0^n(s) ds \right) = 0.$$

Then for all $t \in [0, T],$ there exists an integer $\varphi_t(n) > n$ such that

$$\frac{k!}{\tau_{\varphi_t(n)}^k} d_D \left(x_0 + \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{\tau_{\varphi_t(n)}^i}{i!} y_0^i + \frac{\tau_{\varphi_t(n)}^{k-1}}{k!} \int_t^{t+\tau_{\varphi_t(n)}} f_0^n(s) ds \right) \leq \frac{1}{2^{n+2}}.$$

Hence, by the characterization of the lower bound, there exists $\xi_1(t) \in D$ such that

$$\frac{k!}{\tau_{\varphi_t(n)}^k} \left\| \xi_1(t) - x_0 - \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{\tau_{\varphi_t(n)}^i}{i!} y_0^i - \frac{\tau_{\varphi_t(n)}^{k-1}}{k!} \int_t^{t+\tau_{\varphi_t(n)}} f_0^n(s) ds \right\| \leq \frac{1}{2^{n+2}} + \frac{1}{2^{n+2}},$$

then

$$\left\| \frac{\xi_1(t) - x_0 - \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{\tau_{\varphi_t(n)}^i}{i!} y_0^i}{\frac{\tau_{\varphi_t(n)}^k}{k!}} - \frac{1}{\tau_{\varphi_t(n)}} \int_t^{t+\tau_{\varphi_t(n)}} f_0^n(s) ds \right\| \leq \frac{1}{2^{n+1}}.$$

On the other hand, in view of Lebesgue’s Differentiation Theorem, we can suppose

$$\left\| \frac{1}{\tau_{\varphi_t(n)}} \int_t^{t+\tau_{\varphi_t(n)}} f_0^n(s) ds - f_0^n(t) \right\| \leq \frac{1}{2^{n+1}} \text{ a.e. on } I,$$

therefore

$$\left\| \frac{\xi_1(t) - x_0 - \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{\tau_{\varphi_t(n)}^i}{i!} y_0^i}{\frac{\tau_{\varphi_t(n)}^k}{k!}} - f_0^n(t) \right\| \leq \frac{1}{2^n} \text{ a.e. on } I.$$

Set

$$u_0^n(t) = \frac{\xi_1(t) - x_0 - \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{\tau_{\varphi_t(n)}^i}{i!} y_0^i}{\frac{\tau_{\varphi_t(n)}^k}{k!}},$$

then for all $t \in [0, T]$ $\xi_1(t) = x_0 + \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{\tau_{\varphi_t(n)}^i}{i!} y_0^i + \frac{\tau_{\varphi_t(n)}^k}{k!} u_0^n(t) \in D,$

and

$$\|u_0^n(t) - f_0^n(t)\| \leq \frac{1}{2^n} \text{ a.e. on } I. \tag{5}$$

Then

$$u_0^n(t) \in F(t, x_0, y_0^1, \dots, y_0^{k-1}) + \frac{1}{2^n} \bar{B}.$$

Particularly

$$x_0 + \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{\tau_{\varphi_t(n)}^i}{i!} y_0^i + \frac{\tau_{\varphi_t(n)}^k}{k!} u_0^n(t) \in D, \quad \forall t \in [t_0^n, t_1^n];$$

and

$$u_0^n(t) \in F(t, x_0, y_0^1, \dots, y_0^{k-1}) + \frac{1}{2^n} \bar{B}, \text{ a.e. on } [t_0^n, t_1^n].$$

Let $\delta_n = \delta(\frac{1}{2^{n+2}})$ be the real given by (A₃) and for every $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$, choose an integer $\varphi_0(n)$ that is

$$\varphi_0(n) > \max\left(\frac{T(M+1)}{\delta_n}, \frac{4^1 T c_1}{\eta}\right) \tag{6}$$

and set

$$x_1^n := \xi_1(t_0^n) = x_0 + \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{\tau_{\varphi_0(n)}^i}{i!} y_0^i + \frac{\tau_{\varphi_0(n)}^k}{k!} u_0^n(0) \in D.$$

For all $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ and for $i = 1, \dots, k - 1$, denote

$$y_{1,n}^i = \sum_{j=i}^{k-1} \frac{\tau_{\varphi_0(n)}^{j-i}}{(j-i)!} y_0^j + \frac{\tau_{\varphi_0(n)}^{k-i}}{(k-i)!} u_0^n(0). \tag{7}$$

thus

$$\|y_{1,n}^i - y_0^i\| \leq \sum_{j=i+1}^{k-1} \frac{\tau_{\varphi_0(n)}^{j-i}}{(j-i)!} \|y_0^j\| + \frac{\tau_{\varphi_0(n)}^{k-i}}{(k-i)!} \|u_0^n(0)\|,$$

For all $j \in \mathbb{N}^*$, since

$$0 < \tau_{\varphi_0(n)}^j < \tau_{\varphi_0(n)} \text{ and } \frac{\tau_{\varphi_0(n)}^j}{j!} < 1,$$

we deduce, according relations (A₄), (5) and (6) that

$$\begin{aligned} \|y_{1,n}^i - y_0^i\| &\leq \left((k-1) \max_{1 \leq i \leq k-1} \|y_0^i\| + M + 1 \right) \tau_{\varphi_0(n)} \\ &\leq \left((k-1)c_0 + M + 1 \right) \tau_{\varphi_0(n)} \\ &\leq c_1 \tau_{\varphi_0(n)} \\ &\leq \frac{\eta}{4^1}, \end{aligned}$$

then

$$(y_{1,n}^1, \dots, y_{1,n}^{k-1}) \in \prod_{i=1}^{k-1} \bar{B}(y_0^i, \eta).$$

By relation (7), for $i = k - 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \|y_{1,n}^{k-1} - y_0^{k-1}\| &= \frac{T}{\varphi_0(n)} \|u_0^n(0)\| \\ &\leq \frac{T}{\varphi_0(n)} (M + 1), \\ &< \delta_n, \end{aligned}$$

then by (A₃)

$$d_H(F(t, x_1^n, y_{1,n}^1, \dots, y_{1,n}^{k-1}), F(t, x_0, y_0^1, \dots, y_0^{k-1})) \leq \frac{1}{2^{n+2}} \quad \forall t \in I,$$

thus

$$d(f_0^n(t), F(t, x_1^n, y_{1,n}^1, \dots, y_{1,n}^{k-1})) \leq \frac{1}{2^{n+2}}, \quad \forall t \in I.$$

In view of Lemma 3.3, there exists a function $f_1^n(\cdot) \in L^1(I, E)$ such that $f_1^n(t) \in F(t, x_1^n, y_{1,n}^1, \dots, y_{1,n}^{k-1})$ and for all $t \in I$

$$\begin{aligned} \|f_1^n(t) - f_0^n(t)\| &\leq d(f_0^n(t), F(t, x_1^n, y_{1,n}^1, \dots, y_{1,n}^{k-1})) + \frac{1}{2^{n+2}} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2^{n+1}}. \end{aligned}$$

□

By induction, for $p \in \{2, \dots, n\}$, assume that have been constructed

$\varphi_{p-2}(n) \in \mathbb{N}^*$, $x_{p-1}^n \in D$, $y_{p-1,n}^i \in \Omega_i$, $i \in \{1, \dots, k-1\}$, $u_{p-2}^n(\cdot) : [t_{p-2}^n, t_{p-1}^n[\rightarrow E$, and $f_{p-1}^n(t) \in F(t, x_{p-1}^n, y_{p-1,n}^1, \dots, y_{p-1,n}^{k-1})$

satisfying the following relations :

(i) For all $j \in \{0, \dots, p - 2\}$, $\varphi_j(n) > \frac{4^{j+1} T c_{j+1}}{\eta}$,

(ii) $x_{p-1}^n := \xi_p(t_{p-2}^n) = x_{p-2}^n + \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{\tau_{\varphi_{p-2}(n)}^i}{i!} y_{p-2,n}^i + \frac{\tau_{\varphi_{p-2}(n)}^k}{k!} u_{p-2}^n(t_{p-2}^n) \in D$,

$$(iii) \quad y_{p-1,n}^i = \sum_{j=i}^{k-1} \frac{\tau_{\varphi_{p-2}(n)}^{j-i}}{(j-i)!} y_{p-2,n}^j + \frac{\tau_{\varphi_{p-2}(n)}^{k-i}}{(k-i)!} u_{p-2}^n(t_{p-2}^n),$$

(iv) For all $j \in \{1, \dots, p-1\}$, $\|y_{j,n}^i\| \leq c_j$,

(v) For all $i \in \{1, \dots, k-1\}$, and for $j \in \{1, \dots, p-1\}$, $\|y_{j,n}^i - y_{j-1,n}^i\| \leq \frac{\eta}{4^j}$,

$$(vi) \quad (y_{p-1,n}^1, \dots, y_{p-1,n}^{k-1}) \in \prod_{i=1}^{k-1} \bar{B}(y_0^i, \eta),$$

$$(vii) \quad \|u_{p-2}^n(t) - f_{p-2}^n(t)\| \leq \frac{1}{2^n} \quad \text{a.e. on } [t_{p-2}^n, t_{p-1}^n],$$

$$(iix) \quad u_{p-2}^n(t) \in F(t, x_{p-2}^n, y_{p-2,n}^1, \dots, y_{p-2,n}^{k-1}) + \frac{1}{2^n} \bar{B} \quad \text{a.e. on } [t_{p-2}^n, t_{p-1}^n],$$

$$(ix) \quad \|f_{p-1}^n(t) - f_{p-2}^n(t)\| \leq \frac{1}{2^{n+1}} \quad \text{for all } t \in I.$$

Let us define x_{p-1}^n , $(y_{p,n}^i)_{i=1, \dots, k-1}$, $f_{p-1}^n(\cdot)$, $u_{p-1}^n(\cdot)$ and $\varphi_{p-1}(n)$ that is $\varphi_{p-1}(n) > \varphi_{p-2}(n)$.

Indeed, for all $t \in [0, T]$, by applying (A₅) for the measurable selection $f_{p-1}^n(t) \in F(t, x_{p-1}^n, y_{p-1,n}^1, \dots, y_{p-1,n}^{k-1})$, we have

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{k!}{\tau_n^k} d_D \left(x_{p-1}^n + \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{\tau_n^i}{i!} y_{p-1,n}^i + \frac{\tau_n^{k-1}}{k!} \int_t^{t+\tau_n} f_{p-1}^n(s) ds \right) = 0.$$

Then for all $t \in [0, T]$, there exists $\varphi_t^{p-1}(n) \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\varphi_t^{p-1}(n) > \varphi_t^{p-2}(n)$,

$$\frac{k!}{\tau_{\varphi_t^{p-1}(n)}^k} d_D \left(x_{p-1}^n + \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{\tau_{\varphi_t^{p-1}(n)}^i}{i!} y_{p-1,n}^i + \frac{\tau_{\varphi_t^{p-1}(n)}^{k-1}}{k!} \int_t^{t+\tau_{\varphi_t^{p-1}(n)}} f_{p-1}^n(s) ds \right) \leq \frac{1}{2^{n+2}},$$

hence, by the characterization of the lower bound, there exists $\xi_p(t) \in D$ such that

$$\frac{k!}{\tau_{\varphi_t^{p-1}(n)}^k} \left\| \xi_p(t) - x_{p-1}^n - \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{\tau_{\varphi_t^{p-1}(n)}^i}{i!} y_{p-1,n}^i - \frac{\tau_{\varphi_t^{p-1}(n)}^{k-1}}{k!} \int_t^{t+\tau_{\varphi_t^{p-1}(n)}} f_{p-1}^n(s) ds \right\| \leq \frac{1}{2^{n+2}} + \frac{1}{2^{n+2}},$$

then

$$\left\| \frac{\xi_p(t) - x_{p-1}^n - \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{\tau_{\varphi_t^{p-1}(n)}^i}{i!} y_{p-1,n}^i}{\frac{\tau_{\varphi_t^{p-1}(n)}^k}{k!}} - \frac{1}{\tau_{\varphi_t^{p-1}(n)}} \int_t^{t+\tau_{\varphi_t^{p-1}(n)}} f_{p-1}^n(s) ds \right\| \leq \frac{1}{2^{n+1}}.$$

On the other hand, in view of Lebesgue's Differentiation Theorem, we can suppose

$$\left\| \frac{1}{\tau_{\varphi_t^{p-1}(n)}} \int_t^{t+\tau_{\varphi_t^{p-1}(n)}} f_{p-1}^n(s) ds - f_{p-1}^n(t) \right\| \leq \frac{1}{2^{n+1}} \quad \text{a.e. on } I,$$

therefore

$$\left\| \frac{\xi_p(t) - x_{p-1}^n - \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{\tau_i^{p-1(n)}}{i!} y_{p-1,n}^i}{\frac{\tau_i^{p-1(n)}}{k!}} - f_{p-1}^n(t) \right\| \leq \frac{1}{2^n} \text{ a.e. on } I.$$

Set

$$u_{p-1}^n(t) = \frac{\xi_p(t) - x_{p-1}^n - \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{\tau_i^{p-1(n)}}{i!} y_{p-1,n}^i}{\frac{\tau_i^{p-1(n)}}{k!}},$$

then for all $t \in [0, T]$ and

$$\xi_p(t) = x_{p-1}^n + \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{\tau_i^{p-1(n)}}{i!} y_{p-1,n}^i + \frac{\tau_i^{p-1(n)}}{k!} u_{p-1}^n(t) \in D,$$

$$\|u_{p-1}^n(t) - f_{p-1}^n(t)\| \leq \frac{1}{2^n} \text{ a.e. on } I,$$

from which, we deduce that

$$u_{p-1}^n(t) \in F(t, x_{p-1}^n, y_{p-1,n}^1, \dots, y_{p-1,n}^{k-1}) + \frac{1}{2^n} \bar{B}.$$

Then we have

$$x_{p-1}^n + \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{\tau_i^{p-1(n)}}{i!} y_{p-1,n}^i + \frac{\tau_i^{p-1(n)}}{k!} u_{p-1}^n(t) \in D, \quad \forall t \in [t_{p-1}^n, t_p^n],$$

and

$$u_{p-1}^n(t) \in F(t, x_{p-1}^n, y_{p-1,n}^1, \dots, y_{p-1,n}^{k-1}) + \frac{1}{2^n} \bar{B}, \text{ a.e. on } [t_{p-1}^n, t_p^n].$$

Choose

$$\varphi_{p-1}(n) > \max(\varphi_{p-1}^{p-1}(n); \frac{4^p T c_p}{\eta})$$

Put

$$x_p^n := \xi_p(t_p^n) = x_{p-1}^n + \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{\tau_i^{p-1(n)}}{i!} y_{p-1,n}^i + \frac{\tau_i^{p-1(n)}}{k!} u_{p-1}^n(t_p^n) \in D,$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ and for $i = 1, \dots, k - 1$, denote

$$y_{p,n}^i = \sum_{j=i}^{k-1} \frac{\tau_{p-1}^{j-i(n)}}{(j-i)!} y_{p-1,n}^j + \frac{\tau_{p-1}^{k-i(n)}}{(k-i)!} u_{p-1}^n(t_{p-1}^n), \tag{8}$$

Fix $i \in \{1, \dots, k - 1\}$, by the same previous reasoning

$$\begin{aligned} \|y_{p,n}^i - y_{p-1,n}^i\| &\leq \sum_{j=i+1}^{k-1} \frac{\tau_{p-1}^{j-i(n)}}{(j-i)!} \|y_{p-1,n}^j\| + \frac{\tau_{p-1}^{k-i(n)}}{(k-i)!} \|u_{p-1}^n(t_{p-1}^n)\| \\ &\leq ((k-1)c_{p-1} + M + 1) \tau_{\varphi_{p-1}(n)} \\ &\leq c_p \tau_{\varphi_{p-1}(n)} \\ &\leq \frac{\eta}{4^p}. \end{aligned}$$

So that

$$\begin{aligned} \|y_{p,n}^i - y_{0,n}^i\| &\leq \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} \|y_{j+1,n}^i - y_{j,n}^i\| \\ &\leq \sum_{j=1}^p \frac{\eta}{4^j} \\ &\leq \frac{\eta}{2}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \|y_{p,n}^i\| &\leq \|y_{p,n}^i - y_{p-1,n}^i\| + \|y_{p-1,n}^i\| \\ &\leq ((k-1)c_{p-1} + M + 1) + c_{p-1} \\ &\leq kc_{p-1} + M + 1 = c_p. \end{aligned}$$

In view of relation (8), as $y_{p,n}^{k-1} = y_{p-1,n}^{k-1} + \tau_{\varphi_{p-1}(n)} u_{p-1}^n(t_{p-1}^n)$, one has

$$\begin{aligned} \|y_{p,n}^{k-1} - y_{p-1,n}^{k-1}\| &= \frac{T}{\varphi_{p-1}(n)} \|u_{p-1}^n(t_{p-1}^n)\| \\ &\leq \frac{T}{\varphi_{p-1}(n)} (M + 1) \\ &< \delta_n, \end{aligned}$$

hence, by (A₃)

$$d_H(F(t, x_p^n, y_{p,n}^1, \dots, y_{p,n}^{k-1}), F(t, x_{p-1}^n, y_{p-1,n}^1, \dots, y_{p-1,n}^{k-1})) \leq \frac{1}{2^{n+2}} \quad \forall t \in I,$$

thus

$$d(f_p^n(t), F(t, x_p^n, y_{p,n}^1, \dots, y_{p,n}^{k-1})) \leq \frac{1}{2^{n+2}}, \quad \forall t \in I.$$

By Lemma 3.3, there exists a measurable function $f_p^n(\cdot) \in L^1(I, E)$ such that $f_p^n(t) \in F(t, x_p^n, y_{p,n}^1, \dots, y_{p,n}^{k-1})$ and for all $t \in I$

$$\|f_p^n(t) - f_{p-1}^n(t)\| \leq d(f_{p-1}^n(t), F(t, x_p^n, y_{p,n}^1, \dots, y_{p,n}^{k-1})) + \frac{1}{2^{n+2}}.$$

Then

$$\|f_p^n(t) - f_{p-1}^n(t)\| \leq \frac{1}{2^{n+1}}. \tag{9}$$

Put $q_n = \varphi_n(n)$. Remark that the previous relations are satisfied for q_n .

Now, let us define the step functions.

For all $n \geq 1$, for all $t \in [0, T]$, set $\theta_n(t) = t_{p-1}^n$, whenever $t \in [t_{p-1}^n, t_p^n[$, and consider the functions

$$f_n(t) = \sum_{p=1}^n \chi_{[t_{p-1}^n, t_p^n[}(t) f_{p-1}^n(t) \quad \text{and} \quad u_n(t) = \sum_{p=1}^n \chi_{[t_{p-1}^n, t_p^n[}(t) u_{p-1}^n(t),$$

when $\chi_J(\cdot)$ denotes the characteristic function for any interval J .

On each interval $[t_{p-1}^n, t_p^n]$, define by induction

$$g_{1,n}(t) = \int_{t_{p-1}^n}^t u_n(s) ds.$$

and for all $i \in \{2, \dots, k\}$

$$g_{i,n}(t) = \int_{t_{p-1}^n}^t g_{i-1,n}(s) ds,$$

and consider

$$x_n(t) = x_{p-1}^n + \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{(t - t_{p-1}^n)^i}{i!} y_{p-1}^i + g_{k,n}(t).$$

It is clear that $x_n(\cdot)$, $u_n(\cdot)$ and $f_n(\cdot)$ satisfy the following relations :

$$x_n(\cdot) \in W^{k,1}(I, E), \quad x_n(\theta_n(t)) = x_{p-1}^n \in D, \quad \forall t \in [0, T],$$

$$x_n^{(k)}(t) = u_n(t) \in F\left(t, x_n(\theta_{q_n}(t)), x_n^{(1)}(\theta_{q_n}(t)), \dots, x_n^{(k-1)}(\theta_{q_n}(t))\right) + \frac{1}{2^n} \bar{B} \quad a.e. \text{ on } I, \tag{10}$$

and

$$\|u_n(t) - f_n(t)\| \leq \frac{1}{2^n} \quad a.e. \text{ on } I. \tag{11}$$

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By construction for all $t \in I$

$$f_n(t) \in F\left(t, x_n(\theta_{q_n}(t)), x_n^{(1)}(\theta_{q_n}(t)), \dots, x_n^{(k-1)}(\theta_{q_n}(t))\right).$$

On the other hand let $t \in I$ and $p = 1, 2, \dots, n$, by relation (9)

$$\|f_p^n(t) - f_{p-1}^n(t)\| \leq \frac{1}{2^{n+1}},$$

then, by induction

$$\|f_p^n(t) - f_0^n(t)\| \leq \frac{p}{2^{n+1}},$$

from which we deduce that

$$\|f_n(t) - f_0(t)\| \leq \frac{n}{2^{n+1}},$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} \|f_{n+1}(t) - f_n(t)\| &\leq \|f_{n+1}(t) - f_0(t)\| + \|f_n(t) - f_0(t)\| \\ &\leq \frac{3(n+1)}{2^{n+2}}. \end{aligned}$$

Let $t \in I$ and $(m, n) \in \mathbb{N}^* \times \mathbb{N}^*$ with $m > n$

$$\begin{aligned} \|f_m(t) - f_n(t)\| &\leq \|f_m(t) - f_{m-1}(t)\| + \|f_{m-1}(t) - f_{m-2}(t)\| \dots \|f_{n+1}(t) - f_n(t)\| \\ &\leq \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{m}{2^m} + \frac{m-1}{2^{m-1}} + \dots + \frac{n+1}{2^{n+1}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Put $v_n = \frac{n}{2^n}$, by a classical argument (the d'Alembert's criterion), the numerical series $\sum_{i=0}^{+\infty} v_i$ converges,

hence $(S_n) = (\sum_{i=0}^n v_i)$ is a Cauchy sequence.

Since

$$\|f_m(t) - f_n(t)\| \leq \frac{3}{2}(S_m - S_n)$$

then $(f_n(\cdot))_{n \geq 1}$ is a Cauchy sequence in $L^1(I, E)$, denotes $f(\cdot)$ its limit.

Thus, by (11), the sequence $(u_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to $f(\cdot)$ in $L^1(I, E)$, which implies, in view of (10), that the subsequence $(x_n^{(k)}(\cdot))_n$ converges to $f(\cdot)$ in $L^1(I, E)$.

Furthermore, by (10), we get

$$\|x_n^{(k)}(t)\| \leq M + 1,$$

again, by dominated convergence theorem, $(x_n^{(k-1)}(\cdot))_n$ converges strongly in $L^1(I, E)$.
as

$$\|x_n^{(k-1)}(t)\| \leq \|y_0^{k-1}\| + (M + 1)T,$$

By induction, for all $i \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, k - 1\}$, we prove that for all $t \in I$,

$$\|x_n^{(k-i)}(t)\| \leq \sum_{p=1}^i \|y_0^{k-p}\| T^{i-p} + (M + 1)T^i.$$

Since

$$x_n^{(k-i-1)}(t) = x^{(k-i-1)}(0) + \int_0^t x_n^{(k-i)}(s) ds,$$

then by the dominated convergence theorem, we deduce that for all $i \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, k - 1\}$, the sequence $(x_n^{(i)}(\cdot))_n$ converges strongly in $L^1(I, E)$. We prove easily that for each $i = 1, \dots, k - 1$; $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n^{(i)}(\cdot) = x^{(i)}(\cdot)$ where $x(\cdot) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n(\cdot)$ in $L^1(I, E)$.

Recall that

$$|\theta_{q_n}(t) - t| < \frac{T}{q_n}.$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_n^{(k-1)}(\theta_{q_n}(t)) - x^{(k-1)}(t)\| &\leq \|x_n^{(k-1)}(\theta_{q_n}(t)) - x_n^{(k-1)}(t)\| + \|x_n^{(k-1)}(t) - x^{(k-1)}(t)\| \\ &\leq \int_{\theta_{q_n}(t)}^t (M + 1) ds + \|x_n^{(k-1)}(t) - x^{(k-1)}(t)\|, \end{aligned}$$

then $x_n^{(k-1)}(\theta_{q_n}(\cdot))$ converges strongly to $x^{(k-1)}(\cdot)$ in $L^1(I, E)$.

By the same reasoning, for $i \in \{1, \dots, k - 2\}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_n^{(i)}(\theta_{q_n}(t)) - x^{(i)}(t)\| &\leq \|x_n^{(i)}(\theta_{q_n}(t)) - x_n^{(i)}(t)\| + \|x_n^{(i)}(t) - x^{(i)}(t)\| \\ &\leq \int_{\theta_{q_n}(t)}^t \|x_n^{(i+1)}(s)\| ds + \|x_n^{(i)}(t) - x^{(i)}(t)\|, \end{aligned}$$

so that the subsequences $(x_n(\theta_{q_n}(\cdot)))_n$ and $(x_n^{(i)}(\theta_{q_n}(\cdot)))_n$ for $i \in \{1, \dots, k - 1\}$, converge strongly to $x(\cdot)$ and $x^{(i)}(\cdot)$ respectively in $L^1(I, E)$.

We are able to finish the proof of the main result. For all $t \in I$

$$x^{(k-1)}(t) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n^{(k-1)}(t) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (y_0^{k-1} + \int_0^t u_n(s) ds)$$

Since $(u_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to $f(\cdot)$ in $L^1(I, E)$, then

$$x^{(k-1)}(t) = y_0^{k-1} + \int_0^t f(s) ds,$$

hence,

$$f(t) = x^{(k)}(t) \text{ a.e. on } I.$$

On the other hand, it is easy to check that $x(0) = x_0$ and $x_0^{(i)}(0) = y_0^i, \forall i \in \{1, \dots, k-1\}$.

In addition, for every $t \in [0, T[$ we have $x_n(\theta_{q_n}(t)) \in D$. Since D is closed, then $x(t) \in D$. Moreover, as $x(\cdot)$ is $(M+1)$ -Lipschitz then $x(t) \in D, \forall t \in [0, T]$.

Since $F(t, \cdot, \dots, \cdot)$ is upper semi-continuous at $(x(t), x^{(1)}(t), \dots, x^{(k-1)}(t))$, $x_n^{(k)}(\theta_{q_n}(\cdot))$ converges strongly in $L^1(I, E)$ to $x^{(k)}(\cdot)$ and F is closed values in E , then, $x^{(k)}(t) = f(t) \in F(t, x(t), x^{(1)}(t), \dots, x^{(k-1)}(t))$ for a.e. $t \in I$. This completes the proof of Theorem 2.1.

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