

THE GOURSAT-IONESCU PROBLEM FOR HYPERBOLIC INCLUSIONS WITH MODIFIED ARGUMENT

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Abstract. In this paper we consider the Goursat- Ionescu Problem defined in Straburzyński's sense, for hyperbolic inclusions with modified argument. An existence theorem for a local solution of this problem is proved and some properties of the set of its solutions are established.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Goursat's Problem defined by E. Goursat [11] for a quasilinear hyperbolic equation consists in determining one of its solutions, provided that the values of the solution on two curve arcs having a common point, which may be taken as the origin of the system of coordinates, are known [4].

In his PhD Thesis (1927) [13], D.V. Ionescu studied – for the first time in the mathematical literature – boundary value problems of Darboux, Cauchy, Picard and Goursat types for second order partial differential equations with modified argument.

More recently, a series of authors studied the same problems for second order hyperbolic equations of various forms.

In this paper, we consider Goursat-Ionescu Problem in Straburzyński's sense [18], for a hyperbolic inclusion with modified argument.

Let a, b, a', b', a_0, b_0 be positive numbers with $0 < a_0 \leq a'$, $0 < b_0 \leq b'$ and $y = g(x) : [0, a] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $x = h(y) : [0, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be nondecreasing functions of class C^1 such that $g(0) = h(0) = 0$, $0 \leq g(x) \leq b$, $0 \leq h(y) \leq a$. We denote:

$$P = [-a', a] \times [-b', b], \quad \Delta = [0, a] \times [0, b], \quad \Delta_0 = [0, x_0] \times [0, y_0] \subseteq \Delta,$$
$$D = \{(s, t)/h(t) < s \leq a, \quad g(s) < t \leq b\}, \quad P_0 = [-a_0, x_0] \times [-b_0, y_0] \subseteq P,$$
$$D_{xy} = \{(s, t)/h(t) < s \leq x, \quad g(s) < t \leq y\}$$

for $(x, y) \in \Delta$, $G = P - D$, $G_0 = P_0 - D_{x_0 y_0}$, $G_0 \subseteq G$.

Let $\varphi : P \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ be an absolutely continuous function in Carathéodory's sense, $\varphi \in C^*(P; \mathbb{R}^n)$ [1, §565 - §570].

We consider Goursat-Ionescu Problem for the hyperbolic inclusion with modified argument of the form

$$(1.1) \quad \frac{\partial^2 z(x, y)}{\partial x \partial y} \in F(x, y, z(\alpha(x, y), \beta(x, y))), \quad (x, y) \in \overline{D},$$

$$(1.2) \quad z(x, y) = \varphi(x, y), \quad (x, y) \in G,$$

where $F : \Delta \times \Omega \rightarrow 2^{\mathbb{R}^n}$ is a multifunction with compact, convex and non-empty values, $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is an open subset, $\alpha \in C(\Delta; [0, a])$, $\beta \in C(\Delta; [0, b])$.

Under suitable assumptions, we prove an existence theorem for a local solution of this problem, and that the set of solutions is compact in Banach space $C(P_0; \mathbb{R}^n)$, $P_0 = [-a_0, x_0] \times [-b_0, y_0] \subseteq P$; moreover, as a function of the initial values, this set defines an upper- semicontinuous multifunction.

This study was suggested by papers which deal with the Goursat Problem [7], [18], with Goursat-Ionescu Problem for univalued hyperbolic equations [8], [9] and [19].

2. PRELIMINARIES

The definitions and Theorem 2.1 in this section are taken from [1], [2], [3], [5]-[7], [14]-[17].

Definition 2.1. Let X and Y be two non-empty sets. A multifunction $\Phi : X \rightarrow 2^Y$ is a function from X into the family of all non-empty subsets of Y .

To each $x \in X$, a subset $\Phi(x)$ of Y is associated by the multifunction Φ . The set $\bigcup_{x \in X} \Phi(x)$ is the *range* of Φ .

Definition 2.2. Let us consider $\Phi : X \rightarrow 2^Y$.

a) If $A \subset X$, the *image* of A by Φ is $\Phi(A) = \bigcup_{x \in A} \Phi(x)$;

b) If $B \subset Y$, the *counterimage* of B by Φ is $\Phi^{-}(B) = \{x \in X | \Phi(x) \cap B \neq \emptyset\}$;

c) The *graph* of Φ , denoted *graph* Φ is the set

$$\text{graph}\Phi = \{(x, y) \in X \times Y | y \in \Phi(x)\}.$$

Definition 2.3. Let now take $\Phi : X \rightarrow 2^X$. An element $x \in X$ with the property $x \in \Phi(x)$ is called a *fixed point* of the multifunction Φ .

Definition 2.4. A univalued function $\varphi : X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be a *selection* of $\Phi : X \rightarrow 2^Y$ if $\varphi(x) \in \Phi(x)$ for all $x \in X$.

Definition 2.5. Let X and Y be two topological spaces. The multifunction $\Phi : X \rightarrow 2^Y$ is *upper-semicontinuous* if, for any closed subset $B \subset Y$, $\Phi^{-}(B)$ is closed in X .

Definition 2.6. If (X, \mathcal{F}) is a measurable space and Y is a topological space, the multifunction $\Phi : X \rightarrow 2^Y$ is *measurable* if $\Phi^{-}(B) \in \mathcal{F}$ for every closed subset $B \subset Y$, \mathcal{F} being the σ -algebra of the measurable sets of X , i.e. $\Phi^{-}(B)$ is measurable.

Theorem 2.1. [17]. Let X and Y be two compact metric spaces and $\Phi : X \rightarrow 2^Y$ a multifunction with the property that $\Phi(x)$ is a closed subset of Y for any $x \in X$.

The following assertions are equivalent:

- (i) the multifunction Φ is upper-semicontinuous;
- (ii) the graph of Φ is a closed subset of $X \times Y$;
- (iii) any would be the sequences $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}, (y_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, from $x_n \rightarrow x, y_n \in \Phi(x_n), y_n \rightarrow y$ it follows $y \in \Phi(x)$.

Definition 2.7. [5]-[6]. The function $u : \Delta \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is *absolutely continuous in Carathéodory's sense* [1, §565 - §570] iff $u(x, y)$ is continuous on Δ , absolutely continuous in x (for any y), absolutely continuous in y (for any x), $u_x(x, y)$ is (possibly after a suitable definition on a two-dimensional set of zero measure) absolutely continuous in y (for any x) and u_{xy} is Lebesgue-integrable on Δ .

We denote the class of absolutely continuous functions in Carathéodory's sense by $C^*(\Delta; \mathbb{R}^n)$ [5]-[6].

3. RESULTS

In a similar way as in [2] and [19], we define the notion of a *local solution* for the Goursat-Ionescu Problem (1.1)+(1.2) and we prove an existence theorem for a local solution of this problem, together with some properties of the set of solutions, namely that this is a compact subset in Banach space $C(\Delta_0; \mathbb{R}^n)$ and, as a function of initial values, it defines an upper-semicontinuous multifunction.

Let the following hypotheses be satisfied:

(H₀) The curves $C_1 : y = g(x), 0 \leq x \leq a$, and $C_2 : x = h(y), 0 \leq y \leq b$ are defined by nondecreasing functions of class C^1 such that $g(0) = h(0), 0 \leq g(x) \leq b, 0 \leq h(y) \leq a$.

(H₁) $F : \Delta \times \Omega \rightarrow 2^{\mathbb{R}^n}$ is a multifunction with compact, convex, non-empty values in $\mathbb{R}^n, \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is an open subset, $\Delta = [0, a] \times [0, b] \subset \mathbb{R}^2$.

(H₂) For any $(x, y) \in \Delta$, the mapping $z \rightarrow F(x, y, z)$ is upper-semicontinuous on Ω ;

(H₃) For any $z \in \Omega$ the mapping $(x, y) \rightarrow F(x, y, z)$ is Lebesgue measurable on Δ ;

(H₄) $\alpha \in C(\Delta; [0, a])$ and $\beta \in C(\Delta; [0, b])$;

(H₅) There exists a function $k : \Delta \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+, k \in \mathcal{L}^1(\Delta; \mathbb{R}_+)$ such that

$$\|\zeta\| \leq k(x, y) \text{ for } \forall \zeta \in F(x, y, z), \forall (x, y) \in \Delta, \forall z \in \Omega;$$

(H₆) There exists a convex, compact set $M \subset \Omega$ and a point $(x_0, y_0) \in]0, a[\times]0, b[$, such that

$$\int_0^{x_0} \int_0^{y_0} k(s, t) ds dt \leq d(M, C_\Omega),$$

where $d(M, C_\Omega)$ is the distance from M to $C_\Omega = \mathbb{R}^n - \Omega$;

(H₇) The function $\varphi : P \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is absolutely continuous in Carathéodory's sense, $\varphi \in C^*(P; \mathbb{R}^n)$.

(H₈) The values of function $\lambda : \Delta \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, defined by

$$(3.1) \quad \lambda(x, y) = \varphi(0, 0) + \int_0^x \varphi'_x(s, g(s)) ds + \int_0^y \varphi'_y(h(t), t) dt,$$

belong to the set M for $(x, y) \in \Delta_0 = [0, x_0] \times [0, y_0] \subset \Delta$.

Remark. It follows that the function λ defined by (3.1) is absolutely continuous in Carathéodory's sense [1, §565 - §570], $\lambda \in C^*(\Delta; \mathbb{R}^n)$, due to hypotheses (H_7) , $\varphi \in C^*(P; \mathbb{R}^n)$ and the integral is absolutely continuous.

Definition 3.1. The *Goursat-Ionescu Problem* for the hyperbolic inclusion with modified argument (1.1) means to determine a *solution* of this inclusion which satisfies the initial conditions (1.2).

Definition 3.2. It is defined a *local solution* of the Goursat-Ionescu Problem (1.1)+(1.2) as a function $Z : P_0 \rightarrow \Omega$, $P_0 = [-a_0, x_0] \times [-b_0, y_0]$, with $0 < a_0 \leq a'$ and $0 < b_0 \leq b'$, which is absolutely continuous in Carathéodory's sense [1], $Z \in C^*(D_0; \mathbb{R}^n)$ and satisfies (1.1) a.e. for $(x, y) \in \overline{D}_{x_0, y_0}$ and also conditions (1.2) for $(x, y) \in G_0 = P_0 - D_{x_0, y_0} \subseteq G$.

Theorem 3.1. Let the hypotheses $(H_0) - (H_8)$ be satisfied. Then:

- (i) there exists at least a local solution Z of the Goursat-Ionescu Problem (1.1)+(1.2);
- (ii) the set S_λ of local solutions Z is compact in the Banach space $C(P_0; \mathbb{R}^n)$;
- (iii) the multifunction $\lambda \rightarrow S_\lambda$ is upper-semicontinuous on $C^*(\Delta_0; \mathbb{R}^n)$ taking values in $C(\Delta_0; \mathbb{R}^n)$.

Proof. (i) Let $C^*(P_0; \mathbb{R}^n)$ be the set of absolutely continuous functions in Carathéodory's sense defined on P_0 with values in \mathbb{R}^n [1]. We denote by \mathcal{Z}_M the set of functions $Z : P_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, $Z \in C^*(P_0; \mathbb{R}^n)$, which satisfy the inequality

$$(3.2) \quad \left\| \frac{\partial^2 Z(x, y)}{\partial x \partial y} \right\| \leq k(x, y), \quad \text{a.e. for } (x, y) \in \overline{D}_{x_0, y_0},$$

and also conditions (1.2) for $(x, y) \in G_0 = P_0 - D_{x_0, y_0}$. The notation \mathcal{Z}_M is suitable because, by hypothesis (H_8) , $\lambda(x, y) \in M$ for $(x, y) \in \Delta_0$. We remark that the absolute continuity in Carathéodory's sense of Z assures the existence of the derivative $\frac{\partial^2 Z(x, y)}{\partial x \partial y}$ a.e. for $(x, y) \in P_0$ [1, §565 - §570].

We have $\mathcal{Z}_M \subset C^*(P_0; \mathbb{R}^n)$. Then, by hypothesis (H_6) and inequality (3.2), for any $Z \in \mathcal{Z}_M$, it follows that $Z(x, y) \in \Omega$.

Indeed, integrating $\frac{\partial^2 Z(x, y)}{\partial x \partial y}$ on \overline{D}_{xy} we obtain

$$(3.3) \quad \begin{aligned} Z(x, y) &= \varphi(0, 0) + \int_0^x \varphi'_x(s, g(s)) ds + \int_0^y \varphi'_y(h(t), t) dt + \iint_{\overline{D}_{xy}} \frac{\partial^2 Z(s, t)}{\partial s \partial t} ds dt = \\ &= \lambda(x, y) + \iint_{\overline{D}_{xy}} \frac{\partial^2 Z(s, t)}{\partial s \partial t} ds dt. \end{aligned}$$

Using hypothesis (H_6) , inequality (3.2) and (3.3) it results

$$(3.4) \quad \begin{aligned} \|Z(x, y) - \lambda(x, y)\| &= \left\| \iint_{\overline{D}_{xy}} \frac{\partial^2 Z(s, t)}{\partial s \partial t} ds dt \right\| \leq \iint_{\overline{D}_{xy}} \left\| \frac{\partial^2 Z(s, t)}{\partial s \partial t} \right\| ds dt \leq \\ &\leq \iint_{\overline{D}_{xy}} k(s, t) ds dt \leq \int_0^{x_0} \int_0^{y_0} k(s, t) ds dt \leq d(M, C_\Omega). \end{aligned}$$

From the hypothesis (H_8) , $\lambda(x, y) \in M$ for $(x, y) \in \Delta_0 = [0, x_0] \times [0, y_0]$ and we have

$$(3.5) \quad d(Z(x, y), \lambda(x, y)) = \|Z(x, y) - \lambda(x, y)\| \leq d(M, C_\Omega),$$

which shows that $Z(x, y) \in \Omega$ for $(x, y) \in \Delta_0$.

The set of functions \mathcal{Z}_M is *convex* and *compact* in $C(P_0; \mathbb{R}^n)$. The convexity follows by the definition of this set, and its compactness from the Arzelà-Ascoli Theorem, using hypotheses (H_0) , (H_6) , (H_7) , (H_8) .

We denote by \mathcal{G} the set of the triples $(\lambda, Z, U) \in C^*(\Delta_0; \mathbb{R}^n) \times \mathcal{Z}_M \times \mathcal{Z}_M$ with the property that Z and U satisfy the membership relation

$$(3.6) \quad \frac{\partial^2 U(x, y)}{\partial x \partial y} \in F(x, y, Z(\alpha(x, y), \beta(x, y))), \text{ a.e. for } (x, y) \in \overline{D}_{x_0 y_0}.$$

We prove that, for each $\lambda \in C^*(\Delta_0; \mathbb{R}^n)$ with $\lambda(x, y) \in M$ for $(x, y) \in \Delta_0$, the set of those pairs (Z, U) such that $(\lambda, Z, U) \in \mathcal{G}$ is non-empty and the set \mathcal{G} is closed.

Indeed, let us take $Z \in \mathcal{Z}_M$. From Theorem 1 [2], there exists a μ -measurable (under the μ -Lebesgue measure) multifunction $\Gamma : \Delta_0 \rightarrow 2^{\mathbb{R}^n}$ with compact, non-empty values in \mathbb{R}^n such that

$$(3.7) \quad \Gamma(x, y) \subset F(x, y, Z(\alpha(x, y), \beta(x, y))), \quad \forall (x, y) \in \Delta_0.$$

Then, by Theorem 2 or Theorem 3 [3], there exists a measurable selection γ of Γ , i.e. a measurable univalued function $\gamma : \Delta_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ with $\gamma(x, y) \in \Gamma(x, y)$ for $(x, y) \in \Delta_0$.

Let the function $U : P_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ be defined by

$$(3.8) \quad U(x, y) = \begin{cases} \lambda(x, y) - \iint_{\overline{D}_{xy}} \gamma(s, t) ds dt, & (x, y) \in \overline{D}_{x_0 y_0}, \\ \varphi(x, y) & , (x, y) \in G_0 = P_0 - D_{x_0 y_0}. \end{cases}$$

Then, the set of those pairs (Z, U) such that (λ, Z, U) is *non-empty* because

$$(3.9) \quad \gamma(x, y) \in \Gamma(x, y) \subset F(x, y, Z(\alpha(x, y), \beta(x, y))), \text{ a.e. for } (x, y) \in \Delta_0,$$

$$(3.10) \quad \frac{\partial^2 U(x, y)}{\partial x \partial y} = \gamma(x, y) \in \Gamma(x, y) \subset F(x, y, Z(\alpha(x, y), \beta(x, y))), \text{ a.e. for } (x, y) \in \overline{D}_{x_0 y_0},$$

$$(3.11) \quad \left\| \frac{\partial^2 U(x, y)}{\partial x \partial y} \right\| = \|\gamma(x, y)\| \leq k(x, y), \quad \forall (x, y) \in \overline{D}_{x_0 y_0},$$

by hypothesis (H_5) for $\zeta = \gamma(x, y)$.

For the proof that \mathcal{G} is closed, we consider a sequence of elements in \mathcal{G} , $\{(\lambda_n, Z_n, U_n)\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, convergent to (λ, Z, U) in the space $C^*(\Delta_0; \mathbb{R}^n) \times C(P_0; \mathbb{R}^n) \times L^1(P_0; \mathbb{R}^n)$. We must check that $(\lambda, Z, U) \in \mathcal{G}$, what implies, by the definition of set \mathcal{G} , that conditions (1.2) and (3.10) are satisfied by Z and U .

The set $\left\{ \frac{\partial^2 U_n(x, y)}{\partial x \partial y} \right\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is relatively weakly compact in $L^1(\Delta_0; \mathbb{R}^n)$ by the Dunford-Pettis Criterion [10]. It follows that $\left\{ \frac{\partial^2 U_n(x, y)}{\partial x \partial y} \right\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is weakly convergent to a function $V \in L^1(\Delta_0; \mathbb{R}^n)$. For each $(x, y) \in P_0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.12) \quad U(x, y) &= \\
 &\begin{cases} w-\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U_n(x, y) = w-\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[\lambda_n(x, y) + \iint_{\overline{D}_{xy}} \frac{\partial^2 U_n(s, t)}{\partial s \partial t} ds dt \right], & (x, y) \in \overline{D}_{x_0 y_0} \\ \varphi(x, y), & (x, y) \in G_0 = P_0 - D_{x_0 y_0}. \end{cases} \\
 &= \begin{cases} \lambda(x, y) + \iint_{\overline{D}_{xy}} V(s, t) ds dt, & (x, y) \in \overline{D}_{x_0 y_0}, \\ \varphi(x, y), & (x, y) \in G_0. \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

From the weak convergence $\frac{\partial^2 U_n(x, y)}{\partial x \partial y} \rightharpoonup V(x, y)$, $(x, y) \in \overline{D}_{x_0 y_0}$, using the Corollary of Mazur’s Theorem [12], it follows that there exists a sequence of convex combinations $\{W_r\}_{r \in \mathbb{N}}$ of the set $\left\{ \frac{\partial^2 U_r}{\partial x \partial y}, \frac{\partial^2 U_{r+1}}{\partial x \partial y}, \dots \right\}$, strongly convergent to V in $L^1(\Delta_0; \mathbb{R}^n)$. Then, we can extract a subsequence from the sequence $\{W_r\}_{r \in \mathbb{N}}$ which converges a.e. to $V : W_{r_i} \rightarrow V$ a.e. for $(x, y) \in \Delta_0$.

Since $F(x, y, Z)$ is convex and compact for all $(x, y) \in \Delta$ and for all $Z \in \Omega$, we obtain from the previous results and from Lemma 2 [2] that

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.13) \quad V(x, y) &\in \cap_{r=1}^{\infty} \text{conv} \left(\overline{\cup_{n=r}^{\infty} \frac{\partial^2 U_n(x, y)}{\partial x \partial y}} \right) \subset \\
 &\subset \cap_{r=1}^{\infty} \text{conv} \left(\overline{\cup_{n=r}^{\infty} F(x, y, Z_n(\alpha(x, y), \beta(x, y)))} \right) \subset \\
 &\subset F(x, y, Z(\alpha(x, y), \beta(x, y))), \text{ a.e. for } (x, y) \in \overline{D}_{x_0 y_0},
 \end{aligned}$$

from which it follows that \mathcal{G} is closed.

Indeed, (3.13) shows that $V(x, y) \in F(x, y, Z(\alpha(x, y), \beta(x, y)))$ a.e. for $(x, y) \in \overline{D}_{x_0 y_0}$, and we obtain $\frac{\partial^2 U(x, y)}{\partial x \partial y} = V(x, y)$ from (3.12); then, using (3.6) and (3.13) we have

$$(3.14) \quad V(x, y) = \frac{\partial^2 U(x, y)}{\partial x \partial y} \in F(x, y, Z(\alpha(x, y), \beta(x, y))), \text{ a.e. for } (x, y) \in \overline{D}_{x_0 y_0},$$

and also

$$(3.15) \quad U(x, y) = \varphi(x, y) \text{ for } (x, y) \in G_0 = P_0 - D_{x_0 y_0};$$

hence U satisfies initial conditions (1.2) for $(x, y) \in G_0$.

Let us take $\lambda \in C^*(\Delta; \mathbb{R}^n)$ with $\lambda(x, y) \in M$ for $(x, y) \in \Delta_0$. To each $Z \in \mathcal{Z}_M$ we associate the set $\Phi(Z) \subset \mathcal{Z}_M$ as follows:

$$(3.16) \quad U \in \Phi(Z) \Leftrightarrow U \in \mathcal{Z}_M, \quad \frac{\partial^2 U(x, y)}{\partial x \partial y} \in F(x, y, Z(\alpha(x, y), \beta(x, y))), \quad \text{a.e. } (x, y) \in \Delta_0.$$

We thus define a multifunction $\Phi : \mathcal{Z}_M \rightarrow 2^{\mathcal{Z}_M}$. The set $\Phi(Z)$ is *convex, compact* and *non-empty*. It can be seen that $\Phi(Z)$ is convex since $F(x, y, Z(x, y))$ is convex by hypothesis (H_1) . We have $\Phi(Z) \subset \mathcal{Z}_M$ but \mathcal{Z}_M is compact. The multifunction Φ has a closed graph because *graph* Φ is the set \mathcal{G} for each fixed λ and \mathcal{G} is closed. It follows that $\Phi(Z)$ is compact in $C(P_0; \mathbb{R}^n)$ as a closed subset of the compact set \mathcal{Z}_M . The set $\Phi(Z)$ is non-empty since there exists U , defined by (3.8) with the property $U \in \Phi(Z)$.

The multifunction $\Phi : \mathcal{Z}_M \rightarrow 2^{\mathcal{Z}_M}$ having a closed graph, is upper-semicontinuous by Theorem 2.1. Taking into account all the properties of Φ , the Kakutani-Ky Fan fixed point Theorem [10], [17] can be applied.

Indeed, $\Phi : \mathcal{Z}_M \rightarrow 2^{\mathcal{Z}_M}$ is defined on \mathcal{Z}_M which is a convex, compact and non-empty set; it is also upper-semicontinuous and its set-values $\Phi(Z)$ are convex, closed and non-empty in \mathcal{Z}_M . From Kakutani-Ky Fan fixed point Theorem it follows that the multifunction Φ has at least a fixed point, i.e. there exists at least an element $Z \in \mathcal{Z}_M$ such that $Z \in \Phi(Z)$, hence $Z = U$; but U is of the form (3.8), therefore this fixed point Z is a solution of Goursat-Ionescu Problem (1.1)+(1.2).

ii) We denote by S_λ the set of solutions to Problem (1.1)+(1.2), a notation showing that any solution Z depends on the function λ defined by (3.1). The set S_λ contains at least one element. The set S_λ is *compact, non-empty* in the Banach space $C(P_0; \mathbb{R}^n)$, being the set of the fixed points of multifunction Φ .

iii) The graph \mathcal{H} of the multifunction $\lambda \rightarrow S_\lambda$, defined on $C^*(\Delta_0; \mathbb{R}^n)$ with values in $2^{\mathcal{Z}_M}$, $S_\lambda \subset \Phi(\mathcal{Z}_M) \subset 2^{\mathcal{Z}_M}$, is closed in $C^*(\Delta_0; \mathbb{R}^n) \times \mathcal{Z}_M$ since \mathcal{H} is the image of the compact set \mathcal{H}_1 of the triples $(\lambda, Z, U) \in \mathcal{G}$ with $Z = U$, through the projection mapping $(\lambda, Z, U) \rightarrow (\lambda, Z)$. The mapping $\lambda \rightarrow S_\lambda$ is – in general – a multifunction because several solutions of the Problem (1.1)+(1.2) can exist, which are fixed points of mapping Φ corresponding to the same function λ . Because the mapping $\lambda \rightarrow S_\lambda$ has a closed graph \mathcal{H} by Theorem 2.1, it follows that $\lambda \rightarrow S_\lambda$ is upper-semicontinuous on $C^*(\Delta_0; \mathbb{R}^n)$, what completes the proof.

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