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# SYSTEMS OF FIRST ORDER INCLUSIONS ON TIME SCALES

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ABSTRACT. This paper presents existence results for systems of first order inclusions on time scales with an initial or a periodic boundary value condition. The method of solution-tube is developed for this system.

# 1. Introduction

In 1990, S. Hilger [18] introduced the concept of dynamic equations on time scales. This concept provides a unified approach to continuous and discrete calculus with the introduction of the notion of delta-derivative  $x^{\Delta}(t)$ . This notion coincides with x'(t) (resp.  $\Delta x(t)$ ) in the case where the time scale  $\mathbb{T}$  is an interval (resp. a discrete set  $\{0, \ldots, n\}$ ).

In this paper, we establish an existence result for the following system of first order inclusions on time scales:

(1.1) 
$$x^{\Delta}(t) \in F(t, x(\sigma(t))), \quad \Delta \text{-a.e. } t \in \mathbb{T}_0,$$
$$x \in (BC).$$

Here,  $\mathbb{T}$  is an arbitrary compact time scale, where we note  $a = \min \mathbb{T}$ ,  $b = \max \mathbb{T}$  and  $\mathbb{T}_0 = \mathbb{T} \setminus \{b\}$ . The multivalued map  $F: \mathbb{T}_0 \times \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$  satisfies some

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hypothesis that will be stated later, and (BC) denotes the initial or the periodic boundary conditions:

$$(1.2) x(a) = x_0,$$

$$(1.3) x(a) = x(b)$$

In the literature, this kind of problem was mainly treated for n = 1 in the particular case where the time scale is a discrete set (difference equation). Some existence results were obtained with the method of lower and upper solutions for one difference equation as in [5] and [12], and for one difference inclusion as in [2]. As far as we know, F. M. Atici and D. C. Biles [4] are the only ones who considered a first order inclusion on an arbitrary compact time scale. Their results were also established with the method of lower and upper solutions.

Systems of first-order equations on time scales were treated by Q. Dai and C. C. Tisdell [11] and, by the second author, [16].

To our knowledge, this paper is the first one in which systems of first order inclusions on time scales are studied. In order to get existence results, we introduce a notion which extends to systems of first order inclusions on time scales, the notions of lower and upper solutions, see [1]. This notion is called solution-tube of system (1.1). A notion of solution-tube was introduced for first order systems of differential inclusions by B. Mirandette [20] (see also [14], [15]).

#### 2. Preliminaries and notations

**2.1. Multivalued maps.** We recall some definitions and classical results for multivalued maps. They can be found in more generality in [19], see also [8].

Let X, Y be metric spaces and  $G: X \to Y$  a multivalued map. The map G is upper semi-continuous (u.s.c.) if  $\{x \in X : G(x) \cap C \neq \emptyset\}$  is closed for every closed set  $C \subset Y$  and it is compact if  $G(X) = \bigcup_{x \in X} G(x)$  is relatively compact. Let  $\Omega$  be a measurable space, we say that a multivalued map  $G: \Omega \to X$  is measurable (resp. weakly measurable) if  $\{t \in \Omega : G(t) \cap C \neq \emptyset\}$  is measurable for every closed (resp. open) set  $C \subset X$ .

PROPOSITION 2.1. Let  $G: \Omega \to X$  be a multivalued map.

- (a) If G is measurable then it is weakly measurable.
- (b) If G is weakly measurable and has compact values, then it is measurable.
- (c) The map G is weakly measurable if and only if the multivalued map  $\overline{G}: \Omega \to X$  defined by  $\overline{G}(t) = \overline{G(t)}$  is weakly measurable.

PROPOSITION 2.2. For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $G_n: \Omega \to X$  be measurable multivalued maps.

(a) The map  $G: \Omega \to X$  defined by  $G(t) = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} G_n(t)$  is measurable.

(b) If X is separable,  $G_n$  has closed values, and for each t, at least one  $G_{n_t}(t)$  is compact, then  $G: \Omega \to X$  defined by  $G(t) = \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} G_n(t)$  is measurable.

THEOREM 2.3 (Kuratowski, Ryll, Nardzewski). Let X be a separable Banach space and let  $G: \Omega \to X$  be a measurable multivalued map. Then G has a measurable selection, i.e. there exists a single-valued measurable map  $g: \Omega \to X$  such that  $g(t) \in G(t)$  for almost every  $t \in \Omega$ .

**2.2. Functions on time scales.** For sake of completeness, we recall some notations, definitions and results concerning functions defined on time scales. The interested reader may consult [6], [7], [18] and the references therein to find the proofs and to get a complete introduction to this subject.

Let  $\mathbb{T}$  be a compact time scale with  $a = \min \mathbb{T} < b = \max \mathbb{T}$ . The forward jump operator  $\sigma: \mathbb{T} \to \mathbb{T}$  (resp. the backward jump operator  $\rho: \mathbb{T} \to \mathbb{T}$ ) is defined by

$$\sigma(t) = \begin{cases} \inf\{s \in \mathbb{T} : s > t\} & \text{if } t < b, \\ b & \text{if } t = b, \end{cases}$$
$$\left( \text{resp.} \quad \rho(t) = \begin{cases} \sup\{s \in \mathbb{T} : s < t\} & \text{if } t > a, \\ a & \text{if } t = a. \end{cases} \right)$$

We say that t < b is right-scattered (resp. t > a is left-scattered) if  $\sigma(t) > t$ (resp.  $\rho(t) < t$ ), otherwise, we say that t is right-dense (resp. left-dense). The set of right-scattered points of T is at most countable, see [10]. We denote it by

$$R_{\mathbb{T}} := \{t \in \mathbb{T} : t < \sigma(t)\} = \{t_i : i \in I\}$$

for some  $I \subset \mathbb{N}$ . The graininess function  $\mu: \mathbb{T} \to [0, \infty)$  is defined by  $\mu(t) = \sigma(t) - t$ . We denote

$$\mathbb{T}^{\kappa} = \mathbb{T} \setminus (\rho(b), b] \text{ and } \mathbb{T}_0 = \mathbb{T} \setminus \{b\}.$$

So,  $\mathbb{T}^{\kappa} = \mathbb{T}$  if b is left-dense, otherwise  $\mathbb{T}^{\kappa} = \mathbb{T}_0$ .

DEFINITION 2.4. A map  $f: \mathbb{T} \to \mathbb{R}^n$  is  $\Delta$ -differentiable at  $t \in \mathbb{T}^{\kappa}$  if there exists  $f^{\Delta}(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n$  (called the  $\Delta$ -derivative of f at t) such that for all  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists a neighborhood U of t such that

$$\|(f(\sigma(t)) - f(s) - f^{\Delta}(t)(\sigma(t) - s))\| \le \varepsilon |\sigma(t) - s| \quad \text{for all } s \in U.$$

We say that f is  $\Delta$ -differentiable if  $f^{\Delta}(t)$  exists for every  $t \in \mathbb{T}^{\kappa}$ .

PROPOSITION 2.5. Let  $f: \mathbb{T} \to \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $t \in \mathbb{T}^{\kappa}$ .

- (a) If f is  $\Delta$ -differentiable at t, then f is continuous at t.
- (b) If f is continuous at  $t \in R_{\mathbb{T}}$ , then

$$f^{\Delta}(t) = \frac{f(\sigma(t)) - f(t)}{\mu(t)}$$

(c) The map f is  $\Delta$ -differentiable at  $t \in \mathbb{T}^{\kappa} \setminus R_{\mathbb{T}}$  if and only if

$$f^{\Delta}(t) = \lim_{s \to t} \frac{f(t) - f(s)}{t - s}.$$

PROPOSITION 2.6. If  $f: \mathbb{T} \to \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $g: \mathbb{T} \to \mathbb{R}^m$  are  $\Delta$ -differentiable at  $t \in \mathbb{T}^{\kappa}$ , then:

- (a) if n = m,  $(\alpha f + g)^{\Delta}(t) = \alpha f^{\Delta}(t) + g^{\Delta}(t)$  for every  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ ; (b) if m = 1,
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$$(fg)^{\Delta}(t) = g(t)f^{\Delta}(t) + f(\sigma(t))g^{\Delta}(t) = f(t)g^{\Delta}(t) + g(\sigma(t))f^{\Delta}(t) = g(t)f^{\Delta}(t) + g(\sigma(t))f^{\Delta}(t) = g(t)f^{\Delta}(t) + g(\sigma(t))f^{\Delta}(t) = g(t)f^{\Delta}(t) + g(\sigma(t))g^{\Delta}(t) = g(t)g^{\Delta}(t) + g(t)g^{\Delta}(t) = g(t)g^{\Delta}(t) + g(t)g^{\Delta}(t) = g(t)g^{\Delta}(t)g^{\Delta}(t) = g(t)g^{\Delta}(t)g^{\Delta}(t)g^{\Delta}(t) = g(t)g^{\Delta}(t)g^{\Delta}(t)g^{\Delta}(t)g^{\Delta}(t) = g(t)g^{\Delta}($$

(c) if m = 1 and  $g(t)g(\sigma(t)) \neq 0$ , then

$$\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)^{\Delta}(t) = \frac{g(t)f^{\Delta}(t) - f(t)g^{\Delta}(t)}{g(t)g(\sigma(t))};$$

(d) if  $W \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is open and  $h: W \to \mathbb{R}$  is differentiable at  $f(t) \in W$  and  $t \notin R_{\mathbb{T}}$ , then  $(h \circ f)^{\Delta}(t) = \langle h'(f(t)), f^{\Delta}(t) \rangle$ .

We recall some notions and results related to the theory of  $\Delta$ -measure.

DEFINITION 2.7 ([6]). A set  $A \subset \mathbb{T}$  is said to be  $\Delta$ -measurable if for every set  $E \subset \mathbb{T}$ ,

$$m_1^*(E) = m_1^*(E \cap A) + m_1^*(E \cap (\mathbb{T} \setminus A)),$$

where

$$m_1^*(E) = \begin{cases} \inf\left\{\sum_{k=1}^m (d_k - c_k) : E \subset \bigcup_{k=1}^m [c_k, d_k) \text{ with } c_k, d_k \in \mathbb{T}\right\} & \text{if } b \notin E, \\ \infty & \text{if } b \in E. \end{cases}$$

The  $\Delta$ -measure on  $\mathcal{M}(m_1^*) := \{A \subset \mathbb{T} : A \text{ is } \Delta$ -measurable}, denoted by  $\mu_{\Delta}$ , is the restriction of  $m_1^*$  to  $\mathcal{M}(m_1^*)$ . So,  $(\mathbb{T}, \mathcal{M}(m_1^*), \mu_{\Delta})$  is a complete measurable space.

The notions of  $\Delta$ -measurable and  $\Delta$ -integrable functions  $f: \mathbb{T} \to \mathbb{R}^n$  can be defined similarly to the theory of Lebesgue integral. We omit here these definitions which can be found in [10].

Let  $E \subset \mathbb{T}$  be a  $\Delta$ -measurable set and  $f: \mathbb{T} \to \mathbb{R}^n$  be a  $\Delta$ -measurable function. We say that  $f \in L^1_{\Delta}(E, \mathbb{R}^n)$  provided

$$\int_E \|f(s)\|\Delta s < \infty$$

The set  $L^1_{\Delta}(\mathbb{T}_0,\mathbb{R}^n)$  is a Banach space endowed with the norm

$$\|f\|_{L^{1}_{\Delta}} := \int_{\mathbb{T}_{0}} \|f(s)\|\Delta s.$$

Here is an analog of the Lebesgue dominated convergence theorem.

THEOREM 2.8. Let  $\{f_k\}_{k\in\mathbb{N}}$  be a sequence of functions in  $L^1_{\Delta}(\mathbb{T}_0, \mathbb{R}^n)$ . Assume there exists a function  $f:\mathbb{T}_0 \to \mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $f_k(t) \to f(t) \Delta$ -a.e.  $t \in \mathbb{T}_0$ , and there exists a function  $g \in L^1_{\Delta}(\mathbb{T}_0)$  such that  $||f_k(t)|| \leq g(t) \Delta$ -a.e.  $t \in \mathbb{T}_0$ and for every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $f_k \to f$  in  $L^1_{\Delta}(\mathbb{T}_0, \mathbb{R}^n)$ .

In order to compare the  $\Delta$ -integral on  $\mathbb{T}$  and the Lebesgue integral on [a, b], A. Cabada and D. R. Vivero [10] considered the following extension of a function  $f:\mathbb{T} \to \mathbb{R}^n$  on [a, b]:

(2.1) 
$$\widehat{f}(t) := \begin{cases} f(t) & \text{if } t \in \mathbb{T}, \\ f(t_i) & \text{if } t \in (t_i, \sigma(t_i)) \text{ and } t_i \in R_{\mathbb{T}} \end{cases}$$

THEOREM 2.9. Let  $E \subset \mathbb{T}_0$  be a  $\Delta$ -measurable set and let

$$\widehat{E} = E \cup \bigcup_{t_i \in E \cap R_{\mathbb{T}}} (t_i, \sigma(t_i))$$

Let  $f: \mathbb{T} \to \mathbb{R}^n$  be a  $\Delta$ -measurable function and  $\widehat{f}: [a, b] \to \mathbb{R}^n$  its extension on [a, b]. Then, f is  $\Delta$ -integrable on E if and only if  $\widehat{f}$  is Lebesgue integrable on  $\widehat{E}$ . In this case we have,

$$\int_E f(s)\Delta s = \int_{\widehat{E}} \widehat{f}(s) \, ds.$$

Using the previous theorem, we obtain the following result.

THEOREM 2.10. Let  $\{f_k\}_{k\in\mathbb{N}}$  be a sequence of functions in  $L^1_{\Delta}(\mathbb{T}_0, \mathbb{R}^n)$ . If  $\{\widehat{f}_k\}$  converges weakly to  $\gamma$  in  $L^1([a, b], \mathbb{R}^n)$ , then  $\gamma$  is the extension  $\widehat{f}$  of a function f defined on  $\mathbb{T}_0$  in the sense of definition (2.1). Moreover, for every  $\Delta$ -measurable set  $E \subset \mathbb{T}_0$  and every continuous function  $g: \mathbb{T} \to \mathbb{R}$ , we have

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} \int_E g(s) f_k(s) \Delta s = \int_E g(s) f(s) \Delta s.$$

PROOF. Since  $\{\widehat{f}_k\}$  converges weakly to  $\gamma$  in  $L^1([a, b], \mathbb{R}^n)$ , we have for every continuous function  $g: \mathbb{T} \to \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$\int_{A} \widehat{g}(s) \widehat{f}_{k}(s) \, ds \to \int_{A} \widehat{g}(s) \gamma(s) \, ds \quad \text{for every measurable set } A \subset [a, b].$$

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Thus, for  $t_i \in R_{\mathbb{T}}$ ,

$$\begin{split} \int_{(t_i,\sigma(t_i))} \widehat{g}(s) \widehat{f}_k(s) \, ds &= \int_{(t_i,\sigma(t_i))} g(t_i) f_k(t_i) \, ds \\ &= g(t_i) f_k(t_i) \mu(t_i) \to \int_{(t_i,\sigma(t_i))} \widehat{g}(s) \gamma(s) \, ds. \end{split}$$

So,  $\{f_k(t_i)\}_{k\in\mathbb{N}}$  converges to some  $f(t_i)\in\mathbb{R}^n$ . Thus,  $\{\widehat{f}_k\}$  converges strongly to the constant function  $f(t_i)$  in  $L^1((t_i,\sigma(t_i)),\mathbb{R}^n)$ , and we can assume that  $\gamma \equiv f(t_i)$  on  $[t_i,\sigma(t_i))$ . The first part of the proposition is proved if we define  $f = \gamma|_{\mathbb{T}}$ . Finally, by Theorem 2.9,

$$\int_{E} g(s)f_{k}(s)\Delta s = \int_{\widehat{E}} \widehat{g}(s)\widehat{f}_{k}(s) ds$$
$$\rightarrow \int_{\widehat{E}} \widehat{g}(s)\gamma(s) ds = \int_{\widehat{E}} \widehat{g}(s)\widehat{f}(s) ds = \int_{E} g(s)f(s)\Delta s.$$

In this context, there is also a notion of absolute continuity, see [9].

DEFINITION 2.11. A function  $f: \mathbb{T} \to \mathbb{R}^n$  is said to be *absolutely continuous* on  $\mathbb{T}$  if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that if  $\{[a_k, b_k)\}_{k=1}^m$  with  $a_k, b_k \in \mathbb{T}$  is a finite pairwise disjoint family of subintervals satisfying

$$\sum_{k=1}^{m} (b_k - a_k) < \delta, \quad \text{then} \quad \sum_{k=1}^{m} \|f(b_k) - f(a_k)\| < \varepsilon.$$

The two following results were obtained in [16].

PROPOSITION 2.12. If  $g \in L^1_{\Delta}(\mathbb{T}_0, \mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $f: \mathbb{T} \to \mathbb{R}^n$  is the function defined by

$$f(t) := \int_{[a,t)\cap\mathbb{T}} g(s)\Delta s,$$

then f is absolutely continuous and  $f^{\Delta}(t) = g(t) \Delta$ -almost everywhere on  $\mathbb{T}_0$ .

PROPOSITION 2.13. If  $f: \mathbb{T} \to \mathbb{R}^n$  is an absolutely continuous function then the  $\Delta$ -measure of the set  $\{t \in \mathbb{T}_0 \setminus R_{\mathbb{T}} : f(t) = 0 \text{ and } f^{\Delta}(t) \neq 0\}$  is zero.

We also recall a notion of Sobolev space, see [3],

$$\begin{split} W^{1,1}_{\Delta}(\mathbb{T},\mathbb{R}^n) =& \{x:\mathbb{T}\to\mathbb{R}^n:x \text{ is absolutely continuous and} \\ & x^{\Delta}\in L^1_{\Delta}(\mathbb{T}_0,\mathbb{R}^n)\} \\ =& \left\{x\in L^1_{\Delta}(\mathbb{T}_0,\mathbb{R}^n): \text{ there exists } g\in L^1_{\Delta}(\mathbb{T}_0,\mathbb{R}^n) \text{ such that} \\ & \int_{\mathbb{T}_0} x(s)\phi^{\Delta}(s)\Delta s = -\int_{\mathbb{T}_0} g(s)\phi(\sigma(s))\Delta s \text{ for all } \phi\in C^1_{0,rd}(\mathbb{T})\right\}, \end{split}$$

where

$$\begin{split} C^1_{0,rd}(\mathbb{T}) &= \{\phi \colon \mathbb{T} \to \mathbb{R} : \phi(a) = 0 = \phi(b), \phi \text{ is } \Delta \text{-differentiable} \\ & \text{and } \phi^\Delta \text{ is continuous at right-dense points of } \mathbb{T} \end{split}$$

and its left-sided limits exist at left-dense points of  $\mathbb{T}$ .

The following maximum principle is obtained in [16].

LEMMA 2.14. Let  $r \in W^{1,1}_{\Delta}(\mathbb{T})$  such that  $r^{\Delta}(t) < 0$   $\Delta$ -a.e.  $t \in \{t \in \mathbb{T}_0 : r(\sigma(t)) > 0\}$ . If one of the following conditions holds:

(a) 
$$r(a) \le 0$$
,  
(b)  $r(a) \le r(b)$ ,

then  $r(t) \leq 0$  for every  $t \in \mathbb{T}$ .

Let the exponential function  $e_1(\cdot, t_0)$  be defined by

(2.2) 
$$e_1(t,t_0) = \exp\left(\int_{t_0}^t \xi_1(\mu(s))\Delta s\right),$$

where

$$\xi_1(h) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } h = 0, \\ \frac{\log(1+h)}{h} & \text{if } h > 0. \end{cases}$$

This function permits us to write the solution of equations on time scales. The following results are direct consequences of Propositions 2.6 and 2.12.

PROPOSITION 2.15. Let  $g \in L^1_{\Delta}(\mathbb{T}_0, \mathbb{R}^n)$ . The function  $x: \mathbb{T} \to \mathbb{R}^n$  defined by

$$x(t) = e_1(a,t) \left( x_0 + \int_{[a,t)\cap \mathbb{T}} e_1(s,a)g(s)\Delta s \right)$$

is in  $W^{1,1}_{\Delta}(\mathbb{T},\mathbb{R}^n)$  and is a solution of the problem

$$egin{aligned} x^{\Delta}(t)+x(\sigma(t))&=g(t),\quad \Delta ext{-}a.e.\ t\in\mathbb{T}_0,\ x(a)&=x_0. \end{aligned}$$

PROPOSITION 2.16. Let  $g \in L^1_{\Delta}(\mathbb{T}_0, \mathbb{R}^n)$ . The function  $x: \mathbb{T} \to \mathbb{R}^n$  defined by

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{e_1(t,a)} \left( \frac{1}{e_1(b,a) - 1} \int_{[a,b) \cap \mathbb{T}} g(s) e_1(s,a) \Delta s + \int_{[a,t) \cap \mathbb{T}} g(s) e_1(s,a) \Delta s \right)$$

is in  $W^{1,1}_{\Delta}(\mathbb{T},\mathbb{R}^n)$  and is a solution of the problem

$$\begin{aligned} x^{\Delta}(t) + x(\sigma(t)) &= g(t), \quad \Delta\text{-a.e. } t \in \mathbb{T}_0 \\ x(a) &= x(b). \end{aligned}$$

### 3. Existence theorem

In this section, we establish an existence result for the problem (1.1) with an initial condition or a periodic boundary value condition. To obtain a solution to our problem, that is a function  $x \in W^{1,1}_{\Delta}(\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{R}^n)$  satisfying (1.1), we introduce the notion of solution-tube of this problem.

DEFINITION 3.1. Let  $(v, M) \in W^{1,1}_{\Delta}(\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{R}^n) \times W^{1,1}_{\Delta}(\mathbb{T}, [0, \infty))$ . We say that (v, M) is a solution-tube of (1.1) if

(a)  $\Delta$ -a.e.  $t \in \mathbb{T}_0$  and for every  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $||x - v(\sigma(t))|| = M(\sigma(t))$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that, for every  $u \in \mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $||u - x|| < \delta$ and  $||u - v(\sigma(t))|| \ge M(\sigma(t))$ , there exists  $y \in F(t, u)$  such that

$$\langle u - v(\sigma(t)), y - v^{\Delta}(t) \rangle \leq M^{\Delta}(t) \| u - v(\sigma(t)) \|;$$

- (b)  $v^{\Delta}(t) \in F(t, v(\sigma(t)))$   $\Delta$ -a.e.  $t \in \mathbb{T}_0$  such that  $M(\sigma(t)) = 0$ ;
- (c) M(t) = 0 for every  $t \in \mathbb{T}_0$  such that  $M(\sigma(t)) = 0$ ;
- (d) if (BC) denotes (1.2),  $||x_0 v(a)|| \le M(a)$ ;

if (BC) denotes (1.3), then 
$$||v(b) - v(a)|| \le M(a) - M(b)$$
.

We denote

$$T(v, M) = \{ x \in W^{1,1}_{\Delta}(\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{R}^n) : ||x(t) - v(t)|| \le M(t) \text{ for every } t \in \mathbb{T} \}.$$

We assume the following hypothesis:

- (F1)  $F: \mathbb{T}_0 \times \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$  is a multivalued map with compact and convex values such that  $t \mapsto F(t, x)$  is  $\Delta$ -measurable for every  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , and  $x \mapsto F(t, x)$ is u.s.c.  $\Delta$ -a.e.  $t \in \mathbb{T}_0$ .
- (F2) For every r > 0, there exists a function  $h_r \in L^1_{\Delta}(\mathbb{T}_0, [0, \infty))$  such that  $\max\{\|y\| : y \in F(t, x), \|x\| \le r\} \le h_r(t) \quad \Delta\text{-a.e. } t \in \mathbb{T}_0.$
- (ST) There exists  $(v, M) \in W^{1,1}_{\Delta}(\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{R}^n) \times W^{1,1}_{\Delta}(\mathbb{T}, [0, \infty))$  a solution-tube of (1.1).

To prove our existence theorem, we consider the following modified problem:

(3.1) 
$$x^{\Delta}(t) + x(\sigma(t)) \in F_0(t, x(\sigma(t))) + \overline{x}(\sigma(t)), \quad \Delta \text{-a.e. } t \in \mathbb{T}_0, \\ x \in (BC);$$

with  $\overline{x}(\sigma(t)) = x^{-}(\sigma(t), x(\sigma(t)))$ , where for  $t \in \mathbb{T}_0$  and  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,

(3.2) 
$$F_0(t,x) = F(t,x^-(\sigma(t),x)) \cap G(t,x);$$

with

$$x^{-}(t,x) = \begin{cases} \frac{M(t)}{\|x - v(t)\|} (x - v(t)) + v(t) & \text{if } \|x - v(t)\| > M(t), \\ x & \text{otherwise;} \end{cases}$$

and

$$G(t,x) = \begin{cases} v^{\Delta}(t) & \text{if } M(\sigma(t)) = 0, \\ \mathbb{R}^n & \text{if } M(\sigma(t)) > 0 \\ & \text{and } \|x - v(\sigma(t))\| \le M(\sigma(t)), \\ \{z : \langle x - v(\sigma(t)), z - v^{\Delta}(t) \rangle \\ & \le M^{\Delta}(t) \|x - v(\sigma(t))\|\}, \text{ otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

REMARK 3.2. Remark that, for every (t, x) such that

 $||x - v(\sigma(t))|| > M(\sigma(t)) > 0,$ 

(a)  $G(t,x) = G(t, x_{\theta}(\sigma(t)))$  for all  $\theta \in [0, 1[$ , where

$$x_{\theta}(\sigma(t)) = \theta x^{-}(\sigma(t), x) + (1 - \theta)x.$$

(b)  $G(t,x) = \{z : \langle x^-(\sigma(t),x) - v(\sigma(t)), z - v^{\Delta}(t) \rangle \le M^{\Delta}(t) M(\sigma(t)) \}.$ Indeed, for  $\theta \in [0,1]$ ,

$$x_{\theta}(\sigma(t)) - v(\sigma(t)) = \left(1 - \theta + \frac{\theta M(\sigma(t))}{\|x - v(\sigma(t))\|}\right) (x - v(\sigma(t))).$$

Thus,

$$G(t,x) = \{z : \langle x - v(\sigma(t)), z - v^{\Delta}(t) \rangle \le M^{\Delta}(t) \| x - v(\sigma(t)) \| \}$$
  
=  $\{z : \langle x_{\theta}(\sigma(t)) - v(\sigma(t)), z - v^{\Delta}(t) \rangle \le M^{\Delta}(t) \| x_{\theta}(\sigma(t)) - v(\sigma(t)) \| \}.$ 

So, for  $\theta \in [0, 1[, G(t, x) = G(t, x_{\theta}(\sigma(t))) \text{ since } ||x_{\theta}(\sigma(t)) - v(\sigma(t))|| > M(\sigma(t)).$ 

We first study the properties of the map G.

PROPOSITION 3.3. The multivalued map  $G: \mathbb{T}_0 \times \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$  satisfies the following properties:

- (a) G(t,x) has nonempty, closed, convex values for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and for  $\Delta$ -almost every  $t \in \mathbb{T}_0$ ;
- (b)  $x \mapsto G(t, x)$  has closed graph for  $\Delta$ -almost every  $t \in \mathbb{T}_0$ ;
- (c)  $t \mapsto G(t, x)$  is  $\Delta$ -measurable for every  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

PROOF. (a) It is obvious that G has nonempty, closed, convex values. (b) To show that

$$A_t = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^{2n} : y \in G(t, x)\}$$

is closed for  $\Delta$ -a.e.  $t \in \mathbb{T}_0$ , we just have to check the case where  $t \in \mathbb{T}_0$  is such that  $M(\sigma(t)) \neq 0$ . Let  $\{(x_k, y_k)\}$  be in  $A_t$  such that  $x_k \to x$  and  $y_k \to y$ . If  $||x - v(\sigma(t))|| \leq M(\sigma(t))$  then  $y \in G(t, x) = \mathbb{R}^n$ . So,  $(x, y) \in A_t$ . Otherwise,

 $||x - v(\sigma(t))|| > M(\sigma(t))$  and for k sufficiently large  $||x_k - v(\sigma(t))|| > M(\sigma(t))$ and

$$\langle x_k - v(\sigma(t)), y_k - v^{\Delta}(t) \rangle \le M^{\Delta}(t) \|x_k - v(\sigma(t))\|$$

Therefore,

$$\langle x - v(\sigma(t)), y - v^{\Delta}(t) \rangle \le M^{\Delta}(t) ||x - v(\sigma(t))||, \text{ and hence } (x, y) \in A_t.$$

(c) Let C be a nonempty, closed subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , and fix  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Let  $\{y_m : m \in N\}$  be a countable, dense subset of C. Observe that

$$B_x = \{t \in \mathbb{T}_0 : G(t, x) \cap C \neq \emptyset\} = B_1 \cup B_2 \cup (B_3 \cap B_4)\}$$

where

$$B_{1} = \{t \in \mathbb{T}_{0} : v^{\Delta}(t) \in C\} \cap \{t \in \mathbb{T}_{0} : M(\sigma(t)) = 0\},\$$

$$B_{2} = \{t \in \mathbb{T}_{0} : \|x - v(\sigma(t))\| - M(\sigma(t)) \le 0\} \cap \{t \in \mathbb{T}_{0} : M(\sigma(t)) > 0\},\$$

$$B_{3} = \{t \in \mathbb{T}_{0} : \|x - v(\sigma(t))\| - M(\sigma(t)) > 0\} \cap \{t \in \mathbb{T}_{0} : M(\sigma(t)) > 0\},\$$

$$B_{4} = \bigcap_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \bigcup_{m \in N} \left\{t \in \mathbb{T}_{0} : \langle x - v(\sigma(t)), y_{m} - v^{\Delta}(t) \rangle \le M^{\Delta}(t) \|x - v(\sigma(t))\| + \frac{1}{k}\right\}.$$

The  $\Delta$ -measurability of the maps  $t \mapsto v(\sigma(t)), t \mapsto M(\sigma(t)), t \mapsto v^{\Delta}(t)$ , and  $t \mapsto M^{\Delta}(t)$  imply that  $B_x$  is  $\Delta$ -measurable, and so is  $t \mapsto G(t, x)$ .

We now define the multivalued map  $\mathcal{F}: C(\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{R}^n) \to L^1_{\Delta}(\mathbb{T}_0, \mathbb{R}^n)$  by

$$\mathcal{F}(x) = \{ w \in L^1_{\Delta}(\mathbb{T}_0, \mathbb{R}^n) : w(t) \in F_0(t, x(\sigma(t))) \ \Delta\text{-a.e.} \ t \in \mathbb{T}_0 \}.$$

PROPOSITION 3.4. Assume (F1), (F2) and (ST). Then,  $\mathcal{F}$  has nonempty, convex values, and there exists  $h \in L^1_{\Delta}(\mathbb{T}_0, [0, \infty))$  such that

(3.3) 
$$||w(t)|| \le h(t)$$
  $\Delta$ -a.e. on  $\mathbb{T}_0$  for all  $w \in \mathcal{F}(x)$  and all  $x \in C(\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{R}^n)$ .

PROOF. First of all, we want to show that  $\mathcal{F}$  has nonempty values. Let  $x \in C(\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{R}^n)$ . There exists a sequence of simple functions  $\{x_m\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$  such that

$$\begin{split} \|x_m(\sigma(t)) - v(\sigma(t))\| &> M(\sigma(t))\\ \Delta \text{-a.e. on } \{t: \|x(\sigma(t)) - v(\sigma(t))\| > M(\sigma(t))\}, \end{split}$$

and such that  $x_m \to \overline{x}$  in  $C(\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{R}^n)$ . Since the multivalued maps  $t \mapsto F(t, y)$  and  $t \mapsto G(t, y)$  are  $\Delta$ -measurable for every  $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , the maps  $t \mapsto F(t, x_m(\sigma(t)))$  and  $t \mapsto G(t, x_m(\sigma(t)))$  are also  $\Delta$ -measurable for every  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Proposition 2.2 implies that, for every  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$t \mapsto F(t, x_m(\sigma(t))) \cap G(t, x_m(\sigma(t)))$$

is  $\Delta$ -measurable, and for every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$t \mapsto \bigcup_{m \ge k} \left( F(t, x_m(\sigma(t))) \cap G(t, x_m(\sigma(t))) \right)$$

is  $\Delta$ -measurable. Again, Propositions 2.1 and 2.2 imply that

$$t \mapsto \bigcap_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \overline{\bigcup_{m \ge k}} (F(t, x_m(\sigma(t))) \cap G(t, x_m(\sigma(t))))$$

is  $\Delta$ -measurable.

Definition 3.1(a) guarantees that this map has nonempty values  $\Delta$ -almost everywhere on  $\{t: M(\sigma(t)) \neq 0\}$ . Indeed,  $\Delta$ -almost everywhere on

$$\{t: M(\sigma(t)) \neq 0 \text{ and } \|\overline{x}(\sigma(t)) - v(\sigma(t))\| < M(\sigma(t))\},\$$

for  $m \ge k$  sufficiently large,  $||x_m(\sigma(t)) - v(\sigma(t))|| < M(\sigma(t))$  and

$$F(t, x_m(\sigma(t))) \cap G(t, x_m(\sigma(t))) = F(t, x_m(\sigma(t))) \cap \mathbb{R}^n \neq \emptyset.$$

On the other hand, for  $\Delta$ -almost every

$$t \in \{t : \|\overline{x}(\sigma(t)) - v(\sigma(t))\| = M(\sigma(t)) > 0\},\$$

if there exists  $m \ge k$  such that  $||x_m(\sigma(t)) - v(\sigma(t))|| \le M(\sigma(t))$ , then as before,  $F(t, x_m(\sigma(t))) \cap G(t, x_m(\sigma(t))) \ne \emptyset$ . Otherwise, there exists a  $\delta > 0$  given by Definition 3.1(a) and  $m \ge k$  sufficiently large such that

$$||x_m(\sigma(t)) - \overline{x}(\sigma(t))|| < \delta, \quad ||x_m(\sigma(t)) - v(\sigma(t))|| > M(\sigma(t)),$$

and there exists  $z \in F(t, x_m(\sigma(t)))$  such that

$$\langle x_m(\sigma(t)) - v(\sigma(t)), z - v^{\Delta}(t) \rangle \le ||x_m(\sigma(t)) - v(\sigma(t))|| M^{\Delta}(t),$$

i.e.  $z \in F(t, x_m(\sigma(t))) \cap G(t, x_m(\sigma(t))).$ 

Thus, the multivalued map  $\Gamma: \mathbb{T}_0 \to L^1_\Delta(\mathbb{T}_0, \mathbb{R}^n)$  defined by

$$\Gamma(t) = \begin{cases} \bigcap_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \bigcup_{m \ge k} \left( F(t, x_m(\sigma(t))) \cap G(t, x_m(\sigma(t))) \right) & \text{if } t \in \{t : M(\sigma(t)) \neq 0\}, \\ v^{\Delta}(t) & \text{if } t \in \{t : M(\sigma(t)) = 0\}, \end{cases}$$

is  $\Delta$ -measurable and has nonempty and compact values. Finally, Theorem 2.3 guarantees the existence of a  $\Delta$ -measurable selection w of  $\Gamma$ .

We must show that  $w \in \mathcal{F}(x)$ . Since  $w(t) \in \Gamma(t)$   $\Delta$ -a.e., we have,

$$w(t) \in \overline{\bigcup_{m \ge k} (F(t, x_m(\sigma(t))) \cap G(t, x_m(\sigma(t))))} \quad \Delta \text{-a.e. in } \{t : M(\sigma(t)) \neq 0\}.$$

for every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . So, for  $\Delta$ -almost every  $t \in \{t : M(\sigma(t)) \neq 0\}$ , there exists a subsequence

$$u_{m_l}(t) \in F(t, x_{m_l}(\sigma(t))) \cap G(t, x_{m_l}(\sigma(t)))$$

such that  $u_{m_l}(t) \to w(t)$ . If  $||x(\sigma(t)) - v(\sigma(t))|| \leq M(\sigma(t))$ , since  $y \mapsto F(t, y)$ and  $y \mapsto G(t, y)$  have closed graph and since  $x_{m_l}(\sigma(t)) \to \overline{x}(\sigma(t)) = x(\sigma(t))$ , we deduce that

$$w(t) \in F(t, \overline{x}(\sigma(t))) \cap G(t, x(\sigma(t))) = F_0(t, x(\sigma(t))).$$

On the other hand, if  $||x(\sigma(t)) - v(\sigma(t))|| > M(\sigma(t))$ , since  $x_{m_l}(\sigma(t)) \to \overline{x}(\sigma(t))$ , there exists a sequence  $\{y_{m_l}\}$  such that

$$x^{-}(\sigma(t), y_{m_l}) = \overline{x}_{m_l}(\sigma(t)), \quad y_{m_l} \to x(\sigma(t))$$

and

$$x_{m_l}(\sigma(t)) = \theta_{m_l} \overline{x}_{m_l}(\sigma(t)) + (1 - \theta_{m_l}) y_{m_l} = (y_{m_l})_{\theta_{m_l}} \quad \text{for some } \theta_{m_l} \in [0, 1[.$$

By Remark 3.2(a),

$$u_{m_{l}}(t) \in F(t, x_{m_{l}}(\sigma(t))) \cap G(t, x_{m_{l}}(\sigma(t))) = F(t, x_{m_{l}}(\sigma(t))) \cap G(t, y_{m_{l}}).$$

Again, since  $y \mapsto F(t, y)$  and  $y \mapsto G(t, y)$  have closed graph and since  $x_{m_l}(\sigma(t)) \to \overline{x}(\sigma(t))$  and  $y_{m_l} \to x(\sigma(t))$ , we can deduce that

$$w(t) \in F(t, \overline{x}(\sigma(t))) \cap G(t, x(\sigma(t))) = F_0(t, x(\sigma(t))).$$

Moreover, Definition 3.1(b) implies that  $\Delta$ -a.e. on  $\{t : M(\sigma(t)) = 0\}$ ,

$$w(t) = v^{\Delta}(t) \in F(t, \overline{x}(\sigma(t))) \cap G(t, x(\sigma(t))) = F_0(t, x(\sigma(t)))$$

Hence, we can conclude that  $w \in \mathcal{F}(x)$  since by hypothesis (F2),  $w \in L^1_{\Delta}(\mathbb{T}_0, \mathbb{R}^n)$ .

The convexity of  $\mathcal{F}(x)$  follows from convexity of the values of F and G.

Finally, hypothesis (F2) guarantees the existence of  $h := h_r \in L^1_{\Delta}(\mathbb{T}_0, [0, \infty))$ with  $r = \max\{||v(t)|| + M(t) : t \in \mathbb{T}\}$  such that for every  $x \in C(\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{R}^n)$  and every  $w \in \mathcal{F}(x)$ ,

$$||w(t)|| \le h(t) \quad \Delta$$
-a.e.  $t \in \mathbb{T}_0$ .

Now, we define the multivalued operator  $T_I: C(\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{R}^n) \to C(\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{R}^n)$  by

$$T_{I}(x) = \left\{ u \in C(\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{R}^{n}) : \\ u(t) = e_{1}(a, t) \left( x_{0} + \int_{[a, t) \cap \mathbb{T}} e_{1}(s, a)(w(s) + \overline{x}(\sigma(s)))\Delta(s) \right), \\ \text{where } w \in \mathcal{F}(x) \right\}.$$

We show that  $T_I$  has nice properties. Many arguments in the following proof are analogous to those used in the classical case (i.e.  $\mathbb{T} = [a, b]$ ), see for instance [13], [17].

PROPOSITION 3.5. Assume (F1), (F2) and (ST). The operator  $T_I$  is compact, u.s.c., with nonempty, convex and compact values.

PROOF. The previous proposition insures that  $T_I$  has nonempty, convex values, and guarantees the existence of  $h \in L^1_{\Delta}(\mathbb{T}_0, [0, \infty))$  satisfying (3.3).

Set  $r = \max\{\|v(t)\| + M(t) : t \in \mathbb{T}\}$  and  $c = \max\{|e_1(t,s)| : t, s \in \mathbb{T}\}$ . To show that  $T_I(C(\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{R}^n))$  is bounded, we just have to remark that for every  $u \in T_I(C(\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{R}^n))$ ,

$$\|u(t)\| \le c \bigg(\|x_0\| + \int_{[a,b)\cap\mathbb{T}} c(r+h(s))\Delta(s)\bigg) \quad \text{for all } t \in \mathbb{T}.$$

On the other hand, for every  $t > \tau \in \mathbb{T}$ ,

$$\begin{split} \|u(t) - u(\tau)\| &\leq \|x_0\| \, |e_1(a,t) - e_1(a,\tau)| \\ &+ |e_1(a,t) - e_1(a,\tau)| \bigg| \int_{[a,\tau)\cap \mathbb{T}} e_1(s,a)(w(s) + \overline{x}(\sigma(s)))\Delta(s) \bigg| \\ &+ |e_1(a,t)| \bigg| \int_{[\tau,t)\cap \mathbb{T}} e_1(s,a)(w(s) + \overline{x}(\sigma(s)))\Delta(s) \bigg| \\ &\leq |e_1(a,t) - e_1(a,\tau)| \bigg( \|x_0\| + \int_{[a,b)\cap \mathbb{T}} c(h(s) + r)\Delta(s) \bigg) \\ &+ c^2 \int_{[\tau,t)\cap \mathbb{T}} (h(s) + r) \, \Delta(s). \end{split}$$

Thus,  $T_I(C(\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{R}^n))$  is equicontinuous since

$$t \mapsto e_1(a, t)$$
 and  $t \mapsto \int_{[a,t) \cap \mathbb{T}} (h(s) + r) \Delta(s)$ 

are continuous on  $\mathbb{T}$ . By an analogous version of the Arzelà–Ascoli Theorem adapted to our context, we conclude that  $T_I(C(\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{R}^n))$  is relatively compact in  $C(\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{R}^n)$ .

We now prove that  $T_I$  has closed graph. Let  $\{x_m\}$  and  $\{u_m\}$  be convergent sequences in  $C(\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{R}^n)$  such that  $x_m \to x$ ,  $u_m \to u$  and  $u_m \in T_I(x_m)$ . Let  $w_m \in \mathcal{F}(x_m)$  be such that

$$u_m(t) = e_1(a,t) \left( x_0 + \int_{[a,t)\cap\mathbb{T}} e_1(s,a) (w_m(s) + \overline{x}_m(\sigma(s))) \Delta(s) \right).$$

Let h be the function given in (3.3). Considering the extensions  $\widehat{w}_m$  and  $\widehat{h}$  in  $L^1([a,b])$ , we have

 $\|\widehat{w}_m(t)\| \le \widehat{h}(t)$  for almost every  $t \in [a, b]$ .

By Dunford–Pettis' Theorem, there exists  $g \in L^1([a, b], \mathbb{R}^n)$  and a subsequence still denoted  $\{\widehat{w}_m\}$  such that  $\widehat{w}_m \rightharpoonup g$  in  $L^1([a, b], \mathbb{R}^n)$ . Since a closed convex set

is weakly closed, there exist

$$\widehat{z}_m \in \operatorname{co}\{\widehat{w}_m, \widehat{w}_{m+1}, \dots\}$$

such that

$$\widehat{z}_m \to g \quad \text{in } L^1([a,b],\mathbb{R}^n).$$

Thus, there exists a subsequence again noted  $\{\hat{z}_m\}$  such that,

 $\widehat{z}_m(t) \to g(t)$  for almost every  $t \in [a, b]$ .

Therefore, for almost every  $t \in [a, b]$ ,

$$\widehat{z}_m(t) \in \operatorname{co}\left\{\bigcup_{l \ge m} \widehat{w}_l(t)\right\} \subset \operatorname{co}\left\{\bigcup_{l \ge m} \widehat{F}(t, \overline{x}_l(\sigma(t))) \cap \widehat{G}(t, x_l(\sigma(t)))\right\}$$

where the multivalued maps  $\widehat{F}$  and  $\widehat{G}$  are respectively extensions of the multivalued maps F and G in the sense of (2.1). Taking the limit, we get

$$g(t) \in \bigcap_{m \in \mathbb{N}} \overline{\operatorname{co}} \left\{ \bigcup_{l \ge m} \widehat{F}(t, \overline{x}_l(\sigma(t))) \cap \widehat{G}(t, x_l(\sigma(t))) \right\}$$
$$\subset \widehat{F}(t, \overline{x}(\sigma(t))) \cap \widehat{G}(t, x(\sigma(t))) = \widehat{F}_0(t, x(\sigma(t))),$$

since  $x_m \to x$  in  $C(\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{R}^n)$  and since  $y \mapsto \widehat{F}(t, y)$  and  $y \mapsto \widehat{G}(t, y)$  have closed graph and closed, convex values.

By Theorem 2.10, there exists a function  $w: \mathbb{T}_0 \to \mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $g = \hat{w}$ . So,

$$w(t) \in \widehat{F}_0(t, x(\sigma(t))) = F_0(t, x(\sigma(t))) \quad \Delta\text{-a.e. } t \in \mathbb{T}_0.$$

Thus,  $w \in \mathcal{F}(x)$ .

Finally, since  $\widehat{w}_m \rightharpoonup \widehat{w}$  in  $L^1([a, b], \mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $x_m \rightarrow x$  in  $C(\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{R}^n)$ , again by Theorem 2.10, we deduce that for every  $t \in \mathbb{T}$ ,

$$\int_{[a,t)\cap\mathbb{T}} e_1(s,a)(w_m(s) + \overline{x}_m(\sigma(s)))\Delta s \to \int_{[a,t)\cap\mathbb{T}} e_1(s,a)(w(s) + \overline{x}(\sigma(s)))\Delta s.$$

Moreover, since  $u_m \to u$  in  $C(\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{R}^n)$ , we get that for every  $t \in \mathbb{T}$ ,

$$u(t) = e_1(a,t) \left( x_0 + \int_{[a,t)\cap\mathbb{T}} e_1(s,a) (w(s) + \overline{x}(\sigma(s))) \Delta s \right).$$

Thus,  $u \in T_I(x)$  and hence,  $T_I$  has closed graph.

Since  $T_I$  is compact and has closed graph,  $T_I$  has compact values.

We now prove that  $T_I$  is upper semi-continuous. Let  $B \subset C(\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{R}^n)$  be a closed set and

$$A = \{ x \in C(\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{R}^n) : T_I(x) \cap B \neq \emptyset \}.$$

Let  $\{x_m\}$  be a sequence in A converging to x in  $C(\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{R}^n)$ . There exists  $u_m \in T_I(x_m) \cap B$ . The compacity of  $T_I$  guarantees the existence of a subsequence still

denoted  $\{u_m\}$  converging to u in  $C(\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{R}^n)$ . Since B is closed and  $T_I$  has closed graph, we deduce that  $u \in T_I(x) \cap B$ . Thus  $x \in A$ .

Let  $T_P: C(\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{R}^n) \to C(\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{R}^n)$  be the multivalued operator defined by

$$T_P(x)(t) = \left\{ v \in C(\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{R}^n) : \\ v(t) = \frac{1}{e_1(t, a)} \left( \frac{1}{e_1(b, a) - 1} \int_{[a, b) \cap \mathbb{T}} (w(s) + \overline{x}(\sigma(s))) e_1(s, a) \Delta s \right. \\ \left. + \int_{[a, t) \cap \mathbb{T}} (w(s) + \overline{x}(\sigma(s))) e_1(s, a) \Delta s \right), \text{ where } w \in \mathcal{F}(x) \right\}.$$

The following result can be proved as the previous one.

PROPOSITION 3.6. Assume (F1), (F2) and (ST). The operator  $T_P$  is compact and u.s.c. with nonempty, convex and compact values.

Now, we can obtain our main theorem.

THEOREM 3.7. Assume (F1), (F2) and (ST). The problem (1.1) has a solution  $x \in W^{1,1}_{\Delta}(\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{R}^n) \cap T(v, M)$ .

PROOF. By Proposition 3.5 (resp. Proposition 3.6),  $T_I$  (resp.  $T_P$ ) is compact and upper semi-continuous with nonempty, convex, and compact values. It has a fixed point by the Kakutani fixed point Theorem. If (BC) denotes (1.2) (resp. (1.3)), Proposition 2.15 (resp. Proposition 2.16) implies that, x, this fixed point of  $T_I$  (resp.  $T_P$ ) is a solution of Problem (3.1), (1.2) (resp. (3.1), (1.3)). To conclude, it suffices to show that  $x \in T(v, M)$ .

Consider the set  $A = \{t \in \mathbb{T}_0 : ||x(\sigma(t)) - v(\sigma(t))|| > M(\sigma(t))\}$ . By Proposition 2.6(d),  $\Delta$ -a.e. on  $A \setminus R_{\mathbb{T}}$ , we have

(3.4) 
$$\|x(t) - v(t)\|^{\Delta} = \frac{\langle x(t) - v(t), x^{\Delta}(t) - v^{\Delta}(t) \rangle}{\|x(t) - v(t)\|} \\ = \frac{\langle x(\sigma(t)) - v(\sigma(t)), x^{\Delta}(t) - v^{\Delta}(t) \rangle}{\|x(\sigma(t)) - v(\sigma(t))\|}$$

For  $t \in A \cap R_{\mathbb{T}}$ ,  $\mu_{\Delta}(\{t\}) > 0$  and,

$$(3.5) ||x(t) - v(t)||^{\Delta} = \frac{||x(\sigma(t)) - v(\sigma(t))|| - ||x(t) - v(t)||}{\mu(t)} \\ \leq \frac{\langle x(\sigma(t)) - v(\sigma(t)), x(\sigma(t)) - v(\sigma(t)) - (x(t) - v(t)) \rangle}{\mu(t) ||x(\sigma(t)) - v(\sigma(t))||} \\ = \frac{\langle x(\sigma(t)) - v(\sigma(t)), x^{\Delta}(t) - v^{\Delta}(t) \rangle}{||x(\sigma(t)) - v(\sigma(t))||}.$$

Let us denote  $y(t) := x^{\Delta}(t) + x(\sigma(t)) - \overline{x}(\sigma(t)) \in F_0(t, x(\sigma(t)))$   $\Delta$ -a.e. on  $\mathbb{T}_0$ . Since (v, M) is a solution-tube of (1.1) and from (3.2), (3.4), (3.4), and Remark 3.2(b), we deduce that  $\Delta$ -a.e. on  $\{t \in A : M(\sigma(t)) > 0\}$ ,

$$\begin{split} (\|x(t) - v(t)\| - M(t))^{\Delta} \\ &\leq \frac{\langle x(\sigma(t)) - v(\sigma(t)), y(t) + \overline{x}(\sigma(t)) - x(\sigma(t)) - v^{\Delta}(t) \rangle}{\|x(\sigma(t)) - v(\sigma(t))\|} - M^{\Delta}(t) \\ &= \frac{\langle \overline{x}(\sigma(t)) - v(\sigma(t)), y(t) - v^{\Delta}(t) \rangle}{M(\sigma(t))} \\ &+ M(\sigma(t)) - \|x(\sigma(t)) - v(\sigma(t))\| - M^{\Delta}(t) \\ &< \frac{M(\sigma(t))M^{\Delta}(t)}{M(\sigma(t))} - M^{\Delta}(t) = 0. \end{split}$$

On the other hand, if  $M(\sigma(t)) = 0$ , then  $F_0(t, x(\sigma(t))) = \{v^{\Delta}(t)\}$  and  $\Delta$ -a.e. on  $\{t \in A : M(\sigma(t)) = 0\}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\|x(t) - v(t)\| - M(t))^{\Delta} \\ &\leq \frac{\langle x(\sigma(t)) - v(\sigma(t)), y(t) + \overline{x}(\sigma(t)) - x(\sigma(t)) - v^{\Delta}(t) \rangle}{\|x(\sigma(t)) - v(\sigma(t))\|} - M^{\Delta}(t) \\ &= \frac{\langle x(\sigma(t)) - v(\sigma(t)), v^{\Delta}(t) - v^{\Delta}(t) \rangle}{\|x(\sigma(t)) - v(\sigma(t))\|} \\ &- \|x(\sigma(t)) - v(\sigma(t))\| - M^{\Delta}(t) < -M^{\Delta}(t) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

This last equality follows from Definition 3.1(c) and Proposition 2.13.

Therefore, r(t) = ||x(t)-v(t)|| - M(t) satisfies  $r^{\Delta}(t) < 0$   $\Delta$ -almost everywhere on  $A = \{t \in \mathbb{T}_0 : r(\sigma(t)) > 0\}$ . Moreover, since (v, M) is a solution-tube of (1.1), if (BC) denotes (1.2) (resp. (BC) denotes (1.3)), then  $r(a) \leq 0$  (resp.  $r(a) - r(b) \leq ||v(a) - v(b)|| - (M(a) - M(b)) \leq 0)$ . Lemma 2.14 implies that  $A = \emptyset$ . Therefore,  $x \in T(v, M)$  and hence, x is a solution of (1.1).  $\Box$ 

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