

## EXISTENCE RESULTS FOR FRACTIONAL DIFFERENTIAL INCLUSIONS

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**ABSTRACT.** In this paper, we investigate the existence of a boundary value problem for Caputo-Hadamard fractional differential inclusions. Both cases of convex and nonconvex valued right hand side are considered.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

This paper is concerned with the existence of solutions of boundary value problems (BVP for short) for a fractional differential inclusion,

$$(1.1) \quad {}^c_H D^r y(t) \in F(t, y(t)), \text{ for a.e. } t \in J = [1, T], \quad 0 < r \leq 1,$$

$$(1.2) \quad ay(1) + by(T) = c,$$

where  $T > 1$ ,  ${}^c_H D^r$  is the Caputo–Hadamard fractional derivative of order  $0 < r \leq 1$ ,  $F : [1, T] \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow P(\mathbb{R})$  is a multivalued map,  $P(\mathbb{R})$  is the family of all nonempty subsets of  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $a, b$  and  $c$  are real constants such that  $a + b \neq 0$ .

Differential equations of fractional order have recently proved to be valuable tools in the modeling of many phenomena in various fields of science and engineering. Indeed, we can find numerous applications in viscoelasticity, electrochemistry, control, porous media, electromagnetic, etc. (see [15, 24, 32, 33, 36]). However, the literature on Hadamard-type fractional differential equations has not undergone as much development; see [4]. Hadamard’s fractional derivative [22] of 1892 differs from the aforementioned derivatives in the sense that the kernel of the integral in the definition of the Hadamard derivative contains a logarithmic function of arbitrary exponent. Detailed descriptions of the Hadamard fractional derivative and integral can

be found in [9, 10, 11]. Recently, Hadamard fractional calculus is getting attention important to the theory of fractional calculus [28]. The works in [4, 9, 10, 11, 27, 30] are major developments in the fundamental theory of Hadamard fractional calculus. A Caputo-type modification of the Hadamard fractional derivative, which is called the Caputo-Hadamard fractional derivative, was given in [25], and its fundamental theorems were proved in [1, 20].

This paper is organized as follows. In Section 2 we introduce some preliminary results needed in the following sections. In Section 3 we present an existence result for the problem (1.1)-(1.2), when the right hand side is convex valued using the nonlinear alternative of Leray-Schauder type. In Section 4, we give a result for nonconvex valued right hand side where is based on a fixed point theorem due to Covitz and Nadler [13]. An example is presented in the last section.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

In this section, we introduce notations, definitions, and preliminary facts that are used in the remainder of this paper.

Let  $[a, b]$  be a compact interval,  $C([a, b], \mathbb{R})$  be the Banach space of all continuous functions from  $[a, b]$  into  $\mathbb{R}$  with the norm

$$\|y\|_{\infty} = \sup\{|y(t)| : a \leq t \leq b\}$$

and we denote by  $L^1([a, b], \mathbb{R})$  the Banach space of functions  $y : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  that are Lebesgue integrable with norm

$$\|y\|_{L^1} = \int_a^b |y(t)| dt.$$

$AC([a, b], \mathbb{R})$  is the space of functions  $y : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , which are absolutely continuous. Let  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  be a Banach space. Let  $P_c(X) = \{Y \in P(X) : Y \text{ is closed}\}$ ,  $P_b(X) = \{Y \in P(X) : Y \text{ is bounded}\}$ ,  $P_{cp}(X) = \{Y \in P(X) : Y \text{ is compact}\}$  and  $P_{cp,c}(X) = \{Y \in P(X) : Y \text{ is compact and convex}\}$ . A multivalued map  $G : X \rightarrow P(X)$  is convex (closed) valued if  $G(x)$  is convex (closed) for all  $x \in X$ .  $G$  is bounded on bounded sets if  $G(B) = \bigcup_{x \in B} G(x)$  is bounded in  $X$  for all  $B \in P_b(X)$  (i.e.  $\sup\{\sup\{|y| : y \in G(x)\} : x \in B\} < \infty$ ).

$G$  is called upper semi-continuous (u.s.c.) on  $X$  if for each  $x_0 \in X$ , the set  $G(x_0)$  is a nonempty closed subset of  $X$ , and if for each open set  $N$  of  $X$  containing  $G(x_0)$ , there exists an open neighborhood  $N_0$  of  $x_0$  such that  $G(N_0) \subseteq N$ .  $G$  is said to be completely continuous if  $G(B)$  is relatively compact for every  $B \in P_b(X)$ .

If the multivalued map  $G$  is completely continuous with nonempty compact values, then  $G$  is u.s.c. if and only if  $G$  has a closed graph (i.e.  $x_n \rightarrow x_*$ ,  $y_n \rightarrow y_*$ ,  $y_n \in G(x_n)$  imply  $y_* \in G(x_*)$ ).  $G$  has a fixed point if there is  $x \in X$  such that  $x \in G(x)$ .

The fixed point set of the multivalued operator  $G$  will be denote by  $FixG$ . A multivalued map  $G : J \rightarrow P_{cl}(\mathbb{R})$  is said to be measurable if for every  $y \in \mathbb{R}$ , the function

$$t \rightarrow d(y, G(t)) = \inf\{|y - z| : z \in G(t)\}$$

is measurable.

Let  $A$  be a subset of  $[0, T] \times \mathbb{R}$ .  $A$  is  $l \otimes \beta$  measurable if  $A$  belongs to the  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by all sets of the form  $J \times D$  where  $J$  is Lebesgue measurable in  $[0, T]$  and  $D$  is Borel measurable in  $\mathbb{R}$ . A subset  $A$  of  $L^1([0, T], \mathbb{R})$  is decomposable if for all  $u, v \in A$  and  $J \subset [0, T]$  measurable,  $u\chi_J + v\chi_{[a,b]-J} \in A$ , where  $\chi$  stands for the characteristic function.

**Definition 2.1.** A function  $F : [a, b] \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow P(\mathbb{R})$  is said to be Caratheódory if

- (1)  $t \rightarrow F(t, u)$  is measurable for each  $u \in \mathbb{R}$ ;
- (2)  $u \rightarrow F(t, u)$  is upper semicontinuous for almost all  $t \in [a, b]$ .

For each  $y \in C([a, b], \mathbb{R})$ , define the set of selections of  $F$  by

$$S_{F,y} = \{v \in L^1([a, b], \mathbb{R}) : v(t) \in F(t, y(t)) \text{ a.e. } t \in [a, b]\}.$$

Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space induced from the normed space  $(X, |\cdot|)$ . Consider  $H_d : P(X) \times P(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+ \cup \{\infty\}$  given by

$$H_d(A, B) = \max\{\sup_{a \in A} d(a, B), \sup_{b \in B} d(A, b)\},$$

where  $d(A, b) = \inf_{a \in A} d(a, b)$ ,  $d(a, B) = \inf_{b \in B} d(a, b)$ . Then  $(P_{b,cl}(X), H_d)$  is a metric space and  $(P_{cl}(X), H_d)$  is a generalized metric space (see [29]).

**Definition 2.2.** A multivalued operator  $N : X \rightarrow P_{cl}(X)$  is called

- (1)  $\gamma$ -Lipschitz if and only if there exists  $\gamma > 0$  such that

$$H_d(N(x), N(y)) \leq \gamma d(x, y), \quad \text{for each } x, y \in X,$$

- (2) a contraction if and only if it is  $\gamma$ -Lipschitz with  $\gamma < 1$ .

The following lemma will be used in the sequel.

**Lemma 2.3.** (Covitz-Nadler [13]) *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space. If  $N : X \rightarrow P_{cl}(X)$  is a contraction, then  $FixN \neq \emptyset$ .*

**Theorem 2.4.** (Arzela-Ascoli theorem)[?] *Let  $A$  be a subset of  $C(J; E)$ ;  $A$  is relatively compact in  $C(J; E)$  if and only if the following conditions are met:*

- (a) *The set  $A$  is bounded ie :*

$$\exists k > 0 : \|f(x)\| \leq k, \forall x \in J \text{ and } \forall f \in A.$$

- (b) *Set  $A$  is equicontinuous ie :*

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0 : |t_1 - t_2| < \delta \Rightarrow \|f(t_1) - f(t_2)\| \leq \epsilon \text{ for all } t_1, t_2 \in J \text{ and all } f \in A.$$

(c) For all  $x \in J$  : set  $\{f(x), f \in A\} \subset E$  is relatively compact.

**Theorem 2.5. (Mazur)** Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a weakly convergent sequence to  $x$  in a Banach space  $E$ . Then, there is a sequence of convex combination of elements of  $\{x_n\}$  which converges strongly to  $x$ .

**Definition 2.6.** ([28]) The Hadamard fractional integral of order  $\alpha > 0$  for a function  $h : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , where  $a, b \geq 0$ , is defined by

$$I_a^\alpha h(t) = 1\Gamma(\alpha)_a^t (\log ts)^{\alpha-1} h(s) s ds,$$

provided the integral exists.

**Definition 2.7.** ([25]). Let  $AC_\delta^n[a, b] = \{g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, \delta^{n-1}g \in AC[a, b]\}$  where  $\delta = t ddt$ ,  $0 < a < b < \infty$  and let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ , such that  $Re(\alpha) \geq 0$ . For a function  $g \in AC_\delta^n[a, b]$  the Caputo-Hadamard derivative of fractional order  $\alpha$  is defined as follows

(i): If  $\alpha \notin \mathbb{N}$ , and  $n - 1 < \alpha < n$  such that  $n = [Re(\alpha)] + 1$ , then

$$({}^{CH}D_a^\alpha g)(t) = 1\Gamma(n - \alpha) (t ddt)_a^{n t} (\log ts)^{n-\alpha-1} \delta^n g(s) \frac{ds}{s},$$

(ii): If  $\alpha = n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $({}^{CH}D_a^\alpha g)(t) = \delta^n g(t)$ ,

where in both cases,  $[Re(\alpha)]$  denotes the integer part of the real number  $Re(\alpha)$  and  $\log(\cdot) = \log_e(\cdot)$ .

**Lemma 2.8.** ([25]) Let  $y \in AC_\delta^n[a, b]$  or  $C_\delta^n[a, b]$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ . Then

$$(2.1) \quad I_a^\alpha ({}^{CH}D_a^\alpha y)(t) = y(t) - \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{\delta^k y(a)}{k!} \left(\log \frac{t}{a}\right)^k.$$

Let us now recall the nonlinear alternative of Leray-Schauder.

**Theorem 2.9.** [21] Let  $X$  be a Banach space and  $C$  a nonempty convex subset of  $X$ . Let  $U$  a nonempty open subset of  $C$  with  $0 \in U$  and  $T : \bar{U} \rightarrow C$  continuous and compact operator.

Then either

- (a)  $T$  has fixed points. Or
- (b) There exist  $u \in \partial U$  and  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$  with  $x = \lambda T(x)$ .

### 3. MAIN RESULTS

**3.1. The convex case.** Let us start by defining what we mean by a solution of the problem (1.1)-(1.2).

**Definition 3.1.** A function  $y \in AC_\delta^1(J, \mathbb{R})$  is said to be a solution of (1.1)-(1.2), if there exists a function  $v \in C(J, \mathbb{R})$  with  $v(t) \in F(t, y(t))$ , for a.e.  $t \in J$  such that  ${}_c^c D_H^r y(t) = v(t)$ , and the function  $y$  satisfies condition (1.2).

To prove the existence of a solution to (1.1)-(1.2), we need the following auxiliary lemma

**Lemma 3.2.** *Let  $h : [1, +\infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous function. A function  $y$  is a solution of the fractional integral equation*

$$(3.1) \quad y(t) = 1\Gamma(r)_1^t (\log ts)^{r-1} h(s)ds - b\Gamma(r)(a + b)_1^T (\log Ts)^{r-1} h(s)ds + c(a + b)$$

*if and only if  $y$  is a solution of the fractional boundary value problem,*

$$(3.2) \quad {}^c_H D^r y(t) = h(t), \quad 0 < r \leq 1,$$

$$(3.3) \quad ay(1) + by(T) = c,$$

**Proof:** Assume  $y$  satisfies (3.2). Then Lemma (2.8) implies that

$$y(t) = {}_H I^r h(t) + y(1).$$

The boundary condition (3.3) implies that

$$ay(1) + by(T) = {}^c_H I^r h(t) + (a + b)y(1) = c.$$

$$y(1) = ca + b - b {}_H I^r h(t) a + b.$$

Finally, we obtain the solution (3.1)

$$y(t) = {}_H I^r h(t) - ba + b {}_H I^r h(t) + ca + b.$$

Conversely it is clear that if  $y$  satisfies equation (3.1), then equations (3.2)-(3.3) hold.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.3.** *Assume the following hypotheses hold:*

- (H1)  $F : J \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow P_{cp,c}(\mathbb{R})$  is a Carathéodory multi-valued map;
- (H2) There exist  $p \in C(J, \mathbb{R}^+)$  and  $\psi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$  continuous and nondecreasing such that

$$\|F(t, u)\|_P \leq p(t)\psi(|u|) \text{ for } t \in J \text{ and each } u \in \mathbb{R};$$

- (H3) There exists  $l \in L^1(J, \mathbb{R})$ , with  $I^r l < \infty$  such that

$$H_d(F(t, u), F(t, \bar{u})) \leq l(t)|u - \bar{u}| \text{ for every } u, \bar{u} \in \mathbb{R},$$

and

$$d(0, F(t, 0)) \leq l(t), \text{ a.e. } t \in J.$$

- (H4) There exists a number  $M > 0$  such that

$$(3.4) \quad M[1 + |b||a + b|]\psi(M) {}_H I^r p(T) + |c||a + b| > 1.$$

Then the BVP (1.1)-(1.2) has at least one solution on  $J$ .

**Proof** Transform the problem (1.1)–(1.2) into a fixed point problem. Consider the multivalued operator

$$N(y(t)) = \left\{ h \in C(J, \mathbb{R}) : \begin{array}{l} h(t) = 1\Gamma(r)_1^t (\log ts)^{r-1} v(s) ds \\ - 1a + b \left[ b\Gamma(r)_1^T (\log Ts)^{r-1} v(s) ds - c \right], v \in S_{F,y}. \end{array} \right\}$$

**Remark 3.4.** Clearly, from Lemma (3.2), the fixed points of  $N$  are solutions to (1.1)–(1.2).

We shall show that  $N$  satisfies the assumptions of the nonlinear alternative of Leray-Schauder type. The proof will be given in several steps.

**Step 1:**  $N(y)$  is convex for each  $y \in C(J, \mathbb{R})$ .

Indeed, if  $h_1, h_2$  belong to  $N(y)$ , then there exist  $v_1, v_2 \in S_{F,y}$  such that for each  $t \in J$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} h_i(t) &= 1\Gamma(r)_1^t (\log ts)^{r-1} v_i(s) ds \\ &- 1a + b \left[ b\Gamma(r)_1^T (\log Ts)^{r-1} v_i(s) ds - c \right], \quad i = 1, 2. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $0 \leq d \leq 1$ . Then, for each  $t \in J$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} (dh_1 + (1-d)h_2)(t) &= 1\Gamma(r)_1^t (\log \frac{t}{s})^{r-1} [dv_1(s) + (1-d)v_2(s)] \frac{ds}{s} \\ &- 1a + b \left[ b\Gamma(r)_1^T (\log \frac{T}{s})^{r-1} [dv_1(s) + (1-d)v_2(s)] \frac{ds}{s} - c \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $S_{F,y}$  is convex (because  $F$  has convex values), we have

$$dh_1 + (1-d)h_2 \in N(y).$$

**Step 2:**  $N$  maps bounded sets into bounded sets in  $C(J, \mathbb{R})$ .

Let  $B_{\eta^*} = \{y \in C(J, \mathbb{R}) : \|y\|_{\infty} \leq \eta^*\}$  be bounded set in  $C(J, \mathbb{R})$  and  $y \in B_{\eta^*}$ . Then for each  $h \in N(y)$ , there exists  $v \in S_{F,y}$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} h(t) &= 1\Gamma(r)_1^t (\log ts)^{r-1} v(s) ds \\ &- 1a + b \left[ b\Gamma(r)_1^T (\log Ts)^{r-1} v(s) ds - c \right]. \end{aligned}$$

By (H2) we have for each  $t \in J$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |h(t)| &\leq 1\Gamma(r)_1^t (\log ts)^{r-1} |v(s)| ds \\ &+ |b|\Gamma(r)_1^T (\log Ts)^{r-1} |v(s)| ds + |c||a+b| \\ &\leq 1\Gamma(r)_1^t (\log ts)^{r-1} |p(s)\psi(|y(s)|)| ds \\ &+ |b|\Gamma(r)_1^T (\log ts)^{r-1} |p(s)\psi(|y(s)|)| ds + |c||a+b| \\ &\leq \psi(\eta^*)_{H I^r}(p)(T) + |b|\psi(\eta^*)_{H I^r}(p)(T)|a+b| + |c||a+b|. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\|h\|_\infty \leq (1 + |b||a + b|\eta^*)\psi(\eta^*)_{HI^r}p(T) + |c||a + b| := l$$

**Step 3:**  $N$  maps bounded sets into equicontinuous sets of  $C(J, \mathbb{R})$ .

Let  $t_1, t_2 \in J$ ,  $t_1 < t_2$ ,  $B_{\eta^*}$  be a bounded set of  $C(J, \mathbb{R}^+)$  as in Step 2, let  $y \in B_{\eta^*}$  and  $h \in N(y)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} |h(t_2) - h(t_1)| &= \left| 1\Gamma(r)_1^{t_1} [(\log t_1 s)^{r-1} - (\log t_2 s)^{r-1}] v(s) ds \right. \\ &\quad \left. + 1\Gamma(r)_{t_1}^{t_2} (\log t_2 s)^{r-1} |v(s) ds \right| \\ &\leq \|p\|_\infty \psi(\eta^*) \Gamma(r)_1^{t_1} [(\log t_1 s)^{r-1} - (\log t_2 s)^{r-1}] ds \\ &\quad + \|p\|_\infty \psi(\eta^*) \Gamma(r)_{t_1}^{t_2} (\log t_2 s)^{r-1} ds \\ &\leq \|p\|_\infty \psi(\eta^*) \Gamma(r + 1) [(\log(t_2) - \log(t_1))^r + \log(t_1)^r - \log(t_2)^r] + \|p\|_\infty \psi(\eta^*) \Gamma(r + 1) \\ &\leq \|p\|_\infty \psi(\eta^*) \Gamma(r + 1) (\log(t_2) - \log(t_1))^r + \|p\|_\infty \psi(\eta^*) \Gamma(r + 1) (\log(t_1)^r - \log(t_2)^r). \end{aligned}$$

As  $t_1 \rightarrow t_2$ , the right-hand side of the above inequality tends to zero. As a consequence of Steps 1 to 3 together with the Arzela-Ascoli theorem, we can conclude that  $N : C(J, \mathbb{R}^+) \rightarrow P(C(J, \mathbb{R}))$  is completely continuous.

**Step 4:**  $N$  has a closed graph.

Let  $y_n \rightarrow y_*$ ,  $h_n \in N(y_n)$  and  $h_n \rightarrow h_*$ . We need to show that  $h_* \in N(y_*)$ .  $h_n \in N(y_n)$  means that there exists  $v_n \in S_{F, y_n}$  such that, for each  $t \in J$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} h_n(t) &= 1\Gamma(r)_1^t (\log ts)^{r-1} v_n(s) ds \\ &\quad - 1a + b \left[ b\Gamma(r)_1^T (\log ts)^{r-1} v_n(s) \frac{ds}{s} - c \right]. \end{aligned}$$

We must show that there exists  $v_* \in S_{F, y_*}$  such that, for each  $t \in J$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} h_*(t) &= 1\Gamma(r)_1^t (\log ts)^{r-1} v_*(s) ds \\ &\quad - 1a + b \left[ b\Gamma(r)_1^T (\log ts)^{r-1} v_*(s) ds - c \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $F(t, \cdot)$  is upper semicontinuous, then for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exist  $n_0(\epsilon) \geq 0$  such that for every  $n \geq n_0$ , we have

$$v_n(t) \in F(t, y_n(t)) \subset F(t, y_*(t)) + \epsilon B(0, 1), \text{ a.e. } t \in J.$$

Since  $F(\cdot, \cdot)$  has compact values, then there exists a subsequence  $v_{n_m}(\cdot)$  such that

$$v_{n_m}(\cdot) \rightarrow v_*(\cdot) \text{ as } m \rightarrow \infty$$

and

$$v_*(t) \in F(t, y_*(t)), \text{ a.e. } t \in J.$$

For every  $w \in F(t, y_*(t))$ , we have

$$|v_{n_m}(t) - v_*(t)| \leq |v_{n_m}(t) - w| + |w - v_*(t)|.$$

Then

$$|v_{n_m}(t) - v_*(t)| \leq d(v_{n_m}(t), F(t, y_*(t))).$$

By an analogous relation, obtained by interchanging the roles of  $v_{n_m}$  and  $v_*$ , it follows that

$$|v_{n_m}(t) - v_*(t)| \leq H_d(F(t, y_n(t)), F(t, y_*(t))) \leq l(t) \|y_n - y_*\|_\infty.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} |h_n(t) - h_*(t)| &\leq 1\Gamma(r)_1^t (\log ts)^{r-1} |v_{n_m}(s) - v_*(s)| ds \\ &\quad + |b||a + b| 1\Gamma(r)_1^T (\log Ts)^{r-1} |v_{n_m}(s) - v_*(s)| ds \\ &\leq 1\Gamma(r)_1^t (\log ts)^{r-1} l(s) \frac{ds}{s} \|y_{n_m} - y_*\|_\infty \\ &\quad + |b||a + b| 1\Gamma(r)_1^T (\log Ts)^{r-1} l(s) ds \|y_{n_m} - y_*\|_\infty. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \|h_{n_m} - h_*\|_\infty &\leq 1\Gamma(r)_1^t (\log ts)^{r-1} l(s) ds \|y_{n_m} - y_*\|_\infty \\ &\quad + |b||a + b| 1\Gamma(r)_1^T (\log Ts)^{r-1} l(s) ds \|y_{n_m} - y_*\|_\infty \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } m \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

**Step 5:** *A priori bounds on solutions.*

Let  $y$  be a possible solution of the problem (1.1)–(1.2). Then, there exists  $v \in S_{F,y}$  such that, for each  $t \in J$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |y(t)| &\leq 1\Gamma(r)_1^t (\log ts)^{r-1} |v(s)| ds \\ &\quad + |b|\Gamma(r)|a + b|_1^T (\log Ts)^{r-1} |v(s)| ds + |c||a + b| \\ &\leq 1\Gamma(r)_1^t (\log ts)^{r-1} p(s)\psi(|y(s)|) ds \\ &\quad + |b|\Gamma(r)|a + b|_1^T (\log Ts)^{r-1} p(s)\psi(|y(s)|) ds + |c||a + b| \\ &\leq \psi(\|y\|_\infty) \Gamma(r)_1^t (\log ts)^{r-1} p(s) ds \\ &\quad + |b|\psi(\|y\|_\infty) \Gamma(r)|a + b|_1^T (\log Ts)^{r-1} p(s) ds + |c||a + b| \\ &\leq \psi(\|y\|_\infty) ({}_{H}I^r p)(T) + |b|\psi(\|y\|_\infty) ({}_{H}I^r p)(T)|a + b| + |c||a + b|. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= 1\Gamma(r)_1^t (\log ts)^{r-1} v(s) ds \\ &\quad - 1a + b \left[ b\Gamma(r)_1^T (\log Ts)^{r-1} v(s) ds - c \right]. \end{aligned}$$

This implies by (H2) that, for each  $t \in J$ , we have

$$\|y\|_\infty [1 + |b||a + b|] \psi(\|y\|_\infty) {}_{H}I^r p(T) + |c||a + b| < 1.$$

Then by condition (3.8), there exists  $M$  such that  $\|y\|_\infty \neq M$ .

Let

$$U = \{y \in C(J, \mathbb{R}) : \|y\|_\infty < M\}.$$

The operator  $N : \bar{U} \rightarrow P(C(J, \mathbb{R}))$  is upper semicontinuous and completely continuous. From the choice of  $U$ , there is no  $y \in \partial U$  such that  $y \in \lambda N(y)$  for some  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ . As a consequence of the nonlinear alternative of Leray-Schauder type, we deduce that  $N$  has a fixed point  $y$  in  $\bar{U}$  which is a solution of the problem (1.1)–(1.2). This completes the proof.

**3.2. The Nonconvex case.** We present now a result for the problem (1.1)–(1.2) with a nonconvex valued right hand side. Our considerations are based on the fixed point theorem for contraction multivalued maps given by Covitz and Nadler [13].

**Theorem 3.5.** *Assume (H3) and the following hypothesis holds:*

(H5)  $F : J \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow P_{cp}(\mathbb{R})$  has the property that  $F(\cdot, u) : J \rightarrow P_{cp}(\mathbb{R})$  is measurable for each  $u \in \mathbb{R}$ ;

If

$$(3.5) \quad \|{}_H I^r l\|_\infty (1 + |b||a + b|) < 1$$

then the BVP (1.1)–(1.2) has at least one solution on  $J$ .

**Remark 3.6.** For each  $y \in C(J, \mathbb{R})$ , the set  $S_{F,y}$  is nonempty since by (H5),  $F$  has a measurable selection (see [12], Theorem III.6).

**Proof.** We shall show that  $N$  satisfies the assumptions of Lemma 2.3. The proof will be given in two steps.

**Step 1:**  $N(y) \in P_{cl}(C(J, \mathbb{R}))$  for each  $y \in C(J, \mathbb{R})$ .

Indeed, let  $(y_n)_{n \geq 0} \in N(y)$  such that  $y_n \rightarrow \tilde{y}$  in  $C(J, \mathbb{R})$ . Then,  $\tilde{y} \in C(J, \mathbb{R})$  and there exists  $v_n \in S_{F,y}$  such that, for each  $t \in J$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} y_n(t) &= {}_1\Gamma(r)^t (\log ts)^{r-1} v_n(s) ds \\ &\quad - 1a + b \left[ b\Gamma(r)_1^T (\log Ts)^{r-1} v_n(s) ds - c \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Using the fact that  $F$  has compact values and from (H3), we may pass to a subsequence if necessary to get that  $v_n$  converges weakly to  $v$  in  $L_w^1(J, \mathbb{R})$ . (the space endowed with the weak topology) An application of Mazur's theorem implies that  $v_n$  converges strongly to  $v$  and hence  $v \in S_{F,y}$ . Then, for each  $t \in J$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} y_n(t) \rightarrow \tilde{y}(t) &= {}_1\Gamma(r)^t (\log ts)^{r-1} v(s) ds \\ &\quad - 1a + b \left[ b\Gamma(r)_1^T (\log Ts)^{r-1} v(s) ds - c \right]. \end{aligned}$$

So,  $\tilde{y} \in N(y)$ .

**Step 2:** *There exists  $\gamma < 1$  such that*

$$H_d(N(y), N(\bar{y})) \leq \gamma \|y - \bar{y}\|_\infty \text{ for each } y, \bar{y} \in C(J, \mathbb{R}).$$

Let  $y, \bar{y} \in C(J, \mathbb{R})$  and  $h_1 \in N(y)$ . Then, there exists  $v_1(t) \in F(t, y(t))$  such that for each  $t \in J$

$$\begin{aligned} h_1(t) &= \int_1^t \Gamma(r)_1^t (\log ts)^{r-1} v_1(s) ds \\ &\quad - 1a + b \left[ \int_1^T b \Gamma(r)_1^T (\log Ts)^{r-1} v_1(s) ds - c \right]. \end{aligned}$$

From (H3) it follows that

$$H_d(F(t, y(t)), F(t, \bar{y}(t))) \leq l(t) |y(t) - \bar{y}(t)|.$$

Hence, there exists  $w \in F(t, \bar{y}(t))$  such that

$$|v_1(t) - w| \leq l(t) |y(t) - \bar{y}(t)|, \quad t \in J.$$

Consider  $U : J \rightarrow P(\mathbb{R})$  given by

$$U(t) = \{w \in \mathbb{R} : |v_1(t) - w| \leq l(t) |y(t) - \bar{y}(t)|\}.$$

Since the multivalued operator  $V(t) = U(t) \cap F(t, \bar{y}(t))$  is measurable (see Proposition III.4 in [12]), there exists a function  $v_2(t)$  which is a measurable selection for  $V$ . So,  $v_2(t) \in F(t, \bar{y}(t))$ , and for each  $t \in J$ ,

$$|v_1(t) - v_2(t)| \leq l(t) |y(t) - \bar{y}(t)|.$$

Let us define for each  $t \in J$

$$\begin{aligned} h_2(t) &= \int_1^t \Gamma(r)_1^t (\log ts)^{r-1} v_2(s) ds \\ &\quad - 1a + b \left[ \int_1^T b \Gamma(r)_1^T (\log Ts)^{r-1} v_2(s) ds - c \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Then for  $t \in J$

$$\begin{aligned} |h_1(t) - h_2(t)| &\leq \int_1^t \Gamma(r)_1^t (\log ts)^{r-1} |v_1(s) - v_2(s)| ds \\ &\quad + |b| \Gamma(r)_1^T (\log Ts)^{r-1} |v_1(s) - v_2(s)| ds \\ &\leq \int_1^t \Gamma(r)_1^t (\log ts)^{r-1} |l(s)| |y(s) - \bar{y}(s)| ds \\ &\quad + |b| \Gamma(r)_1^T (\log Ts)^{r-1} |l(s)| |y(s) - \bar{y}(s)| \frac{ds}{s}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\|h_1 - h_2\|_\infty \leq [\|_H I^r l\|_\infty (1 + |b| |a + b|)] \|y - \bar{y}\|_\infty.$$

By an analogous relation, obtained by interchanging the roles of  $y$  and  $\bar{y}$ , it follows that

$$H_d(N(y), N(\bar{y})) \leq [\|_H I^r l\|_\infty (1 + |b||a + b|)] \|y - \bar{y}\|_\infty.$$

So by (3.5),  $N$  is a contraction and thus, by Lemma 2.3,  $N$  has a fixed point  $y$  which is solution to (1.1)–(1.2). The proof is complete.

**3.3. An Example.** As an application of the main results, we consider the fractional differential inclusion

$$(3.6) \quad {}^H_C D^r y(t) \in F(t, y_t), \quad \text{for a.e. } t \in J = [1, e], 1 < r \leq 2,$$

$$(3.7) \quad y(1) + y(e) = 0$$

$F : [1, e] \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow P(\mathbb{R})$  is a multivalued map satisfying

$$F(t, y) = \{v \in \mathbb{R} : f_1(t, y) \leq v \leq f_2(t, y)\}$$

Where  $f_1, f_2 : [1, e] \times \mathbb{R} \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ . We assume that for each  $t \in [1, e]$ ,  $f_1(t, \cdot)$  is lower semi-continuous (i.e., the set  $\{y \in \mathbb{R} : f_1(t, y) > \mu_1\}$  is open for each  $\mu_1 \in \mathbb{R}$ ), and assume that for each  $t \in [1, e]$ ,  $f_2(t, \cdot)$  is upper semi-continuous (i.e., the set the set  $\{y \in \mathbb{R} : f_2(t, y) < \mu_2\}$  is open for each  $\mu_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ ). Assume that there is a function  $p \in C(J, \mathbb{R}^+)$  and  $\psi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$  continuous and nondecreasing such that

$$\begin{aligned} \|F(t, y)\|_P &= \sup\{|v| : v(t) \in F(t, y)\} \\ &= \max(|f_1(t, y)|, |f_2(t, y)|) \leq p(t)\psi(|y|), \quad \text{for each } t \in [1, e], y \in \mathbb{R}. \end{aligned}$$

Where

$$a = b = 1, \quad c = 0, \quad T = e$$

and there exists a number  $M > 0$  such that

$$(3.8) \quad M[32]\psi(M) {}_H I^r p(e) > 1.$$

Since all the conditions of Theorem 3.3 are satisfied, problem (3.6)–(3.7) has at least one solution  $y$  on  $[1, e]$ .

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