

# The Wazewski topological method for contingent equations (\*).

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**Summary.** - *A Wazewski - type theorem for contingent equations is obtained using the fundamental theory of contingent equations.*

## 1. - Introduction.

The topological method of WAZEWSKI [12], which was originally stated for ordinary differential equations whose solutions are unique with respect to initial conditions, has been subsequently extended to equations without uniqueness (see for example, BIELECKI [4], JACKSON and KLASSEN [9], or BEBERNES and SCHUUR [3]) and to contingent equations (see for example, BIELECKI and KLUCZNY [5], or KLUCZNY [10]).

KLUCZNY discusses several of these extensions. And in his paper he shows that if a family of curves satisfies certain postulates, then a WAZEWSKI theorem may be proved for this family. By proving that the family of solutions of a contingent equation satisfies these postulates, it follows that a WAZEWSKI theorem holds.

Here we develop the fundamental theory of contingent equations along lines suggested by YORKE [14], [15]. We then use this theory to study the properties of a set-valued consequent mapping and to obtain a WAZEWSKI theorem for contingent equations.

Let  $c(R^n)$  ( $cc(R^n)$ ) denote the family of all nonempty compact (compact and convex) subsets of  $R^n$ . For  $x \in R^n$  and  $A, B \in c(R^n)$ , let  $|x|$  be the Euclidean norm,  $r(x, B) = \inf \{|x - y| : y \in B\}$ ,  $r(A, B) = \sup \{r(x, B) : x \in A\}$ , and  $d(A, B) = \max \{r(A, B), r(B, A)\}$ . Let  $N_a(A) = \{x : r(x, A) < a\}$ .

Let  $R^1 \times R^n = W$  and denote points of  $W$  by  $P = (t_p, x_p)$ , or just  $(t, x)$ , or by  $P_n = (t_n, x_n)$ . For  $P, Q \in W$ ,  $|P - Q|$  is the Euclidean norm. For  $A \subset W$   $Fr(A)$  is the frontier of  $A$  and  $\bar{A}$  is the closure of  $A$ .

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For  $E \subset W$  and  $P$  an accumulation point of  $E$ , the *positive contingent* of  $E$  at  $P$  is

$$D^+(E : P) = \{y \in R^n : \text{there exists a sequence } \{P_n\} \subset E \text{ such that} \\ \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty, P_n \rightarrow P, t_n > t_p, \text{ and } |(x_n - x_p)(t_n - t_p)^{-1} - y| \rightarrow 0\}.$$

The negative contingent and contingent of  $E$  at  $P$  are defined in a similar manner. If  $E$  is the graph of a function  $\varphi : R^1 \rightarrow R^n$  and  $P = (t_0, x_0)$  we write  $D^+\varphi(t_0)$  instead of  $D^+(E : P)$

A mapping  $F : W \rightarrow c(R^n)$  is *usc* (upper semi-continuous) at  $P \in W$  if, for each  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that  $|Q - P| < \delta$  implies  $r(F(Q), F(P)) < \varepsilon$ . The mapping  $F$  is *usc on a set*  $E \subset W$  if it is *usc* at each point of the set. If, in this definition, we replace  $r(F(Q), F(P))$  by  $d(F(Q), F(P))$ , then  $F$  is *continuous*.

We shall consider the contingent equation

$$(1) \quad x' \in F(t, x) \text{ where } F : W \rightarrow cc(R^n) \text{ is usc on } W.$$

By a *solution of (1)* we mean a continuous function  $\varphi : I \rightarrow R^n$ , where  $I$  is some interval in  $R^1$ , such that  $D\varphi(t) \subset F(t, \varphi(t))$  for  $t \in I$ . (If  $I$  contains end-points we use one sided contingents where necessary). It is known [13] that if  $\varphi(t)$  is a solution of (1) on  $I$ , then  $\varphi(t)$  is absolutely continuous and  $\varphi'(t) \in F(t, \varphi(t))$  a.e. on  $I$ .

The *trajectory of a solution*  $\varphi(t)$ , defined on  $I$ , is the set  $\{(t, \varphi(t)) : t \in I\}$ . Later we discuss the maximal interval of existence of a solution  $\varphi(t)$  which we shall denote by  $D_\varphi$ .

We note that our results hold equally well for  $W$  an open subset of  $R^1 \times R^n$ .

## 2. - Basic Theory.

ZAREMBA [16] proved that given  $P \in W$  there exists a solution  $\varphi(t)$  of (1) which is defined on some open interval containing  $t_p$  and which satisfies  $\varphi(t_p) = x_p$ . (An account of Zaremba's work may also be found in [6]).

This theorem is the counterpart of the PEANO existence theorem for ordinary differential equations. In developing the WAZEWSKI method in [3] we found it convenient to use not the PEANO theorem, but an existence theorem of NAGUMO [11]. The NAGUMO theorem translates to contingent equations. We include a proof for the sake of completeness. (The NAGUMO theorem for differential inequalities, and a remark on contingent equations, may be found in [7]).

DEFINITION. - A set  $A \subset W$  is *right admissible* (with respect to (1)) if, for each  $P \in A$  there exists an  $a > 0$  and a solution  $\varphi(t)$  of (1) such that  $\varphi(t)$  is defined and  $(t, \varphi(t)) \in A$  for  $t_p \leq t \leq t_p + a$  and  $\varphi(t_p) = x_p$ .

THEOREM 1. - A closed set  $E \subset W$  is right admissible if and only if  $D^+(E : P) \cap F(P) \neq \emptyset$  for all  $P \in E$ .

PROOF. - That this condition is necessary for right admissibility is immediate.

We assume that in a neighborhood of  $P$ ,  $F(P)$  is continuous. If this is not the case, then in the manner of ZAREMBA ([16, Theorem II.8] or [6, Theorem 1.3]), we may approximate  $F$  by a family of such functions. We shall have the theorem for each member of the family and by a limiting argument the theorem holds for  $F$ .

We next observe that the following conditions are equivalent:

*i)*  $D^+(E : P) \cap F(P) \neq \emptyset$  for all  $P \in E$ ; *ii)* for  $P \in E$  there exists a  $v \in F(P)$  such that given  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists a  $Q \in E$  with  $t_p < t_Q < t_p + \varepsilon$  and  $|(x_Q - x_p)(t_p - t_Q)^{-1} - v| < \varepsilon$ ; *iii)* for  $P \in E$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists a  $Q \in E$  with  $t_p < t_Q < t_p + \varepsilon$  and  $r((x_Q - x_p)(t_Q - t_p)^{-1}, F(P)) < \varepsilon$ .

For  $P_0 \in E$  there exist a,  $L > 0$  such that  $r(F(P), 0) \leq L$  on

$$T = \{P : t_0 \leq t_p \leq t_0 + a, |x_p - x_0| \leq (L + 1) |t_p - t_0|\}.$$

For  $\varepsilon$ ,  $0 < \varepsilon < 1$ , let  $\{P_n\}$  be a sequence of points in  $E$  satisfying

$$t_{n-1} < t_n < t_{n-1} + \varepsilon, r((x_n - x_{n-1})(t_n - t_{n-1})^{-1}, F(P_{n-1})) < \varepsilon$$

( $n = 1, 2, \dots$ ) and  $P_0$  given above. Let  $M$  be the collection of all such points (for fixed  $\varepsilon$ ) and let  $b = \sup \{t : (t, x) \in M\}$ .

If  $b \leq t_0 + a$ , then  $M$  has a limit point  $(b, y) \in E \cap T$ .

Hence, there exists a  $(c, z) \in E$  such that

$$b < c < b + \varepsilon, r((z - y)(c - b)^{-1}, F(b, y)) < \varepsilon.$$

Now using the continuity in  $(b, y)$  of this last expression we can find a  $P_n \in M$  such that

$$t_n < c < t_n + \varepsilon, r((z - x_n)(c - t_n)^{-1}, F(t_n, x_n)) < \varepsilon$$

which contradicts the definition of  $b$ . So  $b > t_0 + a$ .

For each integer  $n > 1$  there is a sequence  $P_0, \dots, P_m$  in  $E$  such that

$$t_m > t_0 + a \text{ and } t_{i-1} < t_i < t_{i-1} + \left(\frac{1}{n}\right),$$

$$r((x_i - x_{i-1})(t_i - t_{i-1})^{-1}, F(P_{i-1})) < \left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \quad (i = 1, \dots, m).$$

Let  $\varphi_n(t)$  be the polygonal function which joins  $P_0, \dots, P_m$ .

Then  $|\varphi_n(t_2) - \varphi_n(t_1)| \leq (L + 1) |t_2 - t_1|$  so by the ASCOLI theorem there exists a sub-sequence  $\{\varphi_k(t)\}$  of  $\{\varphi_n(t)\}$  which converges uniformly to  $\varphi(t)$  on  $[t_0, t_0 + a]$ . Then  $\varphi(t_0) = x_0$ ,  $\varphi(t)$  is continuous (in fact absolutely continuous), and  $(t, \varphi(t)) \in T \cap E$  for  $t_0 \leq t \leq t_0 + a$ . The latter is true since for  $t \in [t_0, t_0 + a]$ , *i*) each  $(t, \varphi_n(t)) \in T$  and *ii*) there is a sequence of points in  $E$  which are vertices of the approximating polygonal lines which approach  $(t, \varphi(t))$ .

The proof can be completed by showing that given  $t \in [t_0, t_0 + a]$  and  $\nu > 0$  there exists  $\eta > 0$ ,  $N > 0$  such that

$$r((\varphi_k(s) - \varphi_k(t))(s - t)^{-1}, F(t, \varphi(t))) < 2\nu \quad \text{for all } k \geq N,$$

$s \in [t_0, t_0 + a]$  with  $0 < |s - t| < \eta$ . For then we can first let  $k \rightarrow \infty$  and then  $\nu \rightarrow 0$  and conclude that  $D\varphi(t) \subset F(t, \varphi(t))$ .

Assume  $t \in (t_0, t_0 + a)$ ; the proof at the endpoints is similar. Since  $F(P)$  is usc there exists an  $\eta$ ,  $0 < 2\eta < \min(t - t_0, t_0 + a - t)$  such that  $r(F(u, x), F(t, \varphi(t))) < \nu$  on  $R = \{(u, x) : |u - t| \leq 2\eta, |x - \varphi(u)| \leq \eta\}$ . Choose  $N$  such that  $k \geq N$  implies *i*)  $(1/k) < \nu$ , *ii*)  $|\varphi_k(u) - \varphi(u)| \leq \eta$  for  $|u - t| \leq 2\eta$ , and *iii*)  $(1/k) < \eta$  (so that if  $P_0, \dots, P_m$  are the vertices of  $\varphi_k(t)$ , then  $\max\{(t_i - t_{i-1}) : i = 1, \dots, m\} < \eta$ ). Then  $k \geq N$ ,  $|u - t| \leq \eta$  implies  $r(F(u, \varphi_k(u)), F(t, \varphi(t))) < \nu$ . Now  $D\varphi_k(u) = (x_j - x_{j-1})(t_j - t_{j-1})^{-1}$  where  $P_{j-1} \in R$  if  $|u - t| \leq \eta$ . So  $r(D\varphi_k(u), F(t, \varphi(t))) \leq r(D\varphi_k(u), F(P_{j-1})) + r(F(P_{j-1}), F(t, \varphi(t))) < 2\nu$  for  $|u - t| \leq \eta$ ,  $k \geq N$ .

If  $\psi(t)$  is a continuous function defined on  $[d, e]$  and if  $D\psi(t) \subset A$ , a non-empty, convex set, for  $d \leq t \leq e$ , then  $(\psi(d) - \psi(e))(d - e)^{-1} \in A$ . (See [16, Theorem II.5] or [1]).

Since  $S = \{x : r(x, F(t, \varphi(t))) \leq 2\nu\}$  is compact and convex and since  $D\varphi_k(u) \subset S$  for  $k \geq N$ ,  $0 < |u - t| < |s - t|$ , we can conclude that  $(\varphi_k(s) - \varphi_k(t))(s - t)^{-1} \in S$  for  $k \geq N$ ,  $0 < |s - t| < \eta$ .

REMARKS. - 1) As in the theory of ordinary differential equations, any solution  $\varphi(t)$  of (1) can be extended to a maximal interval of existence which we shall denote by  $D_\varphi$ .

2) If  $E \subset W$  is locally compact and  $F(P)$  is defined and usc only on  $E$ , the theorem still holds. For then  $E$  is relatively closed in some open  $U \subset W$ ,  $F$  has a usc extension to all of  $U$ , and the preceding applies.

3) If  $F$  is defined and usc on a locally compact subset  $E \subset W$ , if  $E$  is right admissible, if  $\varphi(t, P)$  is a solution of (1) passing through  $P \in E$ , and if  $(t, \varphi(t, P)) \rightarrow Q \in Fr(E)$  as  $t \rightarrow Fr(D_\varphi)$ , then  $Q \notin Fr(E) \cap E$ . (For remarks on the continuation of solutions see [2]).

The next definition and two theorems follow YORKE [14], [15].

DEFINITION. - A set  $A \subset W$  is *positively weakly invariant* (with respect to (1)) if and only if for each  $P \in A$  there exists a solution  $\varphi(t)$  of (1) such that  $\varphi(t_p) = x_p$  and  $(t, \varphi(t)) \in A$  for  $t \in D_\varphi \cap [t_p, \infty)$ . Negatively weakly invariant and weakly invariant are defined in a similar manner.

THEOREM 2. - a) A set  $A \subset W$  is weakly invariant if and only if it is a union of a family of trajectories of solutions of (1). b) A closed set  $E \subset W$  is positively weakly invariant if and only if it is right admissible and hence if and only if  $D^+(E : P) \cap F(P) \neq \emptyset$  for all  $P \in E$ .

PROOF. - The proof is straightforward.

THEOREM 3. - If  $G_1, G_2 \subset W$  are closed and positively weakly invariant and if  $W = G_1 \cup G_2$ , then  $H = G_1 \cap G_2$  is positively weakly invariant.

PROOF. - Assume  $H$  is not positively weakly invariant and let  $P_0 \in H$ . Then there exists two trajectories  $\varphi_i(t)$  of (1) with  $\varphi_i(t_0) = x_0$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) and an  $\alpha > 0$  such that  $(t, \varphi_i(t)) \in G_i$  for  $t_0 \leq t < t_0 + \alpha$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . Let  $L(t)$  be the segment joining  $(t, \varphi_1(t))$  to  $(t, \varphi_2(t))$  and let  $(t, x(t)) \in L(t) \cap (G_1 \cap G_2)$ . Here we use the restrictions placed on  $G_1, G_2$ .

Then  $x(t) = \alpha(t)\varphi_1(t) + (1 - \alpha(t))\varphi_2(t)$ ,  $0 \leq \alpha(t) \leq 1$ .

Choose a sequence  $\{t_n : t_n \rightarrow t_0 +, \text{ and } \alpha(t_n) \rightarrow \alpha_0\}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} (\alpha(t_n) - \alpha_0)(t_n - t_0)^{-1} &= (\alpha(t_n)(\varphi_1(t_n) - x_0) + (1 - \alpha(t_n)) \\ &(\varphi_2(t_n) - x_0))(t_n - t_0)^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

We can now choose a subsequence  $\{t_k\}$  of  $\{t_n\}$  such that in the limit the left side of this expression belongs to  $D^+(H : P_0)$  and the right side equals  $\alpha_0 v_1 + (1 - \alpha_0)v_2$  where  $v_i \in D^+\varphi_i(t_0)$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ).

By convexity this vector is in  $F(P_0)$  hence  $D^+(H : P_0) \cap F(P_0) \neq \emptyset$  and  $H$  is positively weakly invariant.

In the sequel we shall use the following KAMKE-type convergence theorem. (See for example [8, theorem 3.2]).

THEOREM 4. - Let  $\{P_n \in W : P_n \rightarrow P_0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty\}$  and let  $\varphi_n(t)$  be a solution of (1) with  $\varphi_n(t_n) = x_n$ . Then there exists a solution  $\varphi(t)$  of (1) with  $\varphi(t_0) = x_0$  and with maximal interval of existence  $D_\varphi$  and a subsequence  $\{\varphi_k(t)\}$  of  $\{\varphi_n(t)\}$  such that for any compact subinterval  $I \subset D_\varphi$  and all  $k$  sufficiently large,  $\varphi_k(t)$  is defined on  $I$  and  $\varphi_k(t) \rightarrow \varphi(t)$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$  uniformly on  $I$ .

PROOF. - Let  $\varphi_n(t)$  be as in the hypotheses. There exists a,  $N > 0$  such that if  $n \geq N$ , then  $\varphi_n(t)$  is defined and uniformly bounded for  $|t - t_0| \leq a$ . Just let  $R = \{(t, x) : |t - t_0| \leq 2b, |x - x_0| \leq 2b\}$  for some  $b > 0$ ,  $M = \max\{r(F(P), 0) : P \in R\}$ , and choose  $a = \min\{(b/2), (b/2M)\}$  and  $N$  such that  $n \geq N$  implies  $|P_n - P| < b$ .

If  $\{\varphi_n(t)\}$  is a sequence of solutions of (1) which are defined, uniformly bounded, and equicontinuous on an interval  $I$ , then exists a subsequence  $\{\varphi_k(t)\}$  such that  $\varphi_k(t) \rightarrow \psi(t)$  uniformly on  $I$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$  (by the ARZELA-ASCOLI theorem) and  $\psi(t)$  is a solution of (1) (by ZAREMBA, [16, theorem II.6]).

Let  $\{\varphi_n(t)\}$  be as in the hypotheses and choose  $a$  as in the first paragraph of the proof. Let  $\{\varphi_k(t)\}$  be a subsequence of  $\{\varphi_n(t)\}$  such that  $\varphi_k(t) \rightarrow \psi(t)$  uniformly on  $|t - t_0| \leq a$  where  $\psi(t)$  is a solution of (1) with  $\psi(t_0) = x_0$ .

Let  $(b, c)$  be the maximal interval such that there exists a solution  $\varphi(t)$  defined on  $(b, c)$ ;  $\varphi(t) = \psi(t)$  on  $|t - t_0| < a$ ; and for each compact  $I \subset (b, c)$ , some subsequence of  $\{\varphi_k(t)\}$  is defined and converges to  $\varphi(t)$  on  $I$ .

We claim that  $\varphi(t)$  is not defined at  $t = b, c$  and hence  $(b, c) = D_\varphi$  and  $\varphi$  satisfies the conclusion of the theorem. For suppose  $\varphi(b)$  is defined. We can find a subsequence of  $\{\varphi_k(t)\}$  and a sequence  $\{t_m : t_m \rightarrow b -\}$  such that  $|\varphi_m(t) - \varphi(t)| < \left(\frac{1}{m}\right)$  on  $[t_0, t_m]$ . Now using the first two paragraphs of the proof we can extend  $\varphi(t)$  beyond  $b$ .

### 3. - The consequent mapping and Wazewski's theorem.

DEFINITIONS. - Let  $V$  be an open subset of  $W$ . A point  $Q \in Fr(V)$  is a *consequent of a point*  $P \in V$  (relative to (1)) if there exists a solution  $\varphi(t, P)$  of (1) and a  $t_1, t_p < t_1 \leq t_Q$ , such that  $\varphi(t, P)$  is defined on  $[t_p, t_Q]$ ,  $(t, \varphi(t, P)) \in V$  for  $t_p \leq t < t_1$ ,  $(t, \varphi(t, P)) \in Fr(V)$  for  $t_1 \leq t \leq t_Q$ , and  $(t_Q, \varphi(t_Q, P)) = Q$ . The point  $Q \in Fr(V)$  is a *consequent of a point*  $P \in Fr(V)$  (and  $P$  may equal  $Q$ ) if there exists a solution  $\varphi(t, P)$  of (1) such that  $(t, \varphi(t, P)) \in Fr(V)$  for  $[t_p, t_Q]$ . Consequents will also be called *points of egress* and the set of all egress points will be denoted by  $S$ .

A point  $Q \in S$  is a *strict egress point* if for every solution  $\varphi(t, Q)$ ,  $c_\varphi = \sup \{t : (s, \varphi(s, Q)) \in Fr(V), t_Q \leq s \leq t\} < \infty$  and there exists a sequence  $\{t_n : t_n \rightarrow c_\varphi^+\}$  with  $(t_n, \varphi(t_n, Q)) \in W - \bar{V}$ . The mapping  $C : (V \cup S) \rightarrow Fr(V)$  defined by  $C(P) = \{Q \in Fr(V) : Q \text{ is a consequent of } P\}$  is the *consequent mapping*.

A solution  $\varphi(t, P)$ ,  $P \in V$ , *leaves*  $V$  if there exists some  $t_1 \in D_\varphi \cap [t_p, \infty)$  such that  $(t_1, \varphi(t_1, P)) \in W - V$ .

THEOREM 5. - Let  $C : (V \cup S) \rightarrow Fr(V)$  be the consequent mapping and let  $P \in V \cup S$ . If all solutions through  $P$  leave  $V$  and if all points of egress are strict, then  $C(P)$  is compact.

PROOF. - We shall show that any sequence  $\{Q_n\} \subset C(P)$  contains a subsequence which converges to a point of  $C(P)$ .

Let  $\varphi_n(t)$  be a solution of (1) through  $P$  such that  $(t_n, \varphi_n(t_n)) = Q_n$ . By Theorem 4 there is a subsequence  $\{\varphi_k(t)\}$  of  $\{\varphi_n(t)\}$  which converges to a solution  $\varphi(t)$  of (1) with  $\varphi(t_p) = x_p$ . By assumption,  $\varphi(t)$  leaves  $V$  and every point of egress is strict.

Hence there exists a  $t_a > t_p$  such that  $(t_a, \varphi(t_a)) \in W - \bar{V}$ . For all  $k$  sufficiently large,  $(t_a, \varphi_k(t_a)) \in W - \bar{V}$  hence  $t_p < t_k < t_a$ . Choose a subsequence  $\{t_m\}$  of  $\{t_k\}$  such that  $t_m \rightarrow t_b < t_a$ . Then  $Q_m = (t_m, \varphi_n(t_m)) \rightarrow (t_b, \varphi(t_b))$ .

Now  $(t_b, \varphi(t_b)) \notin C(P)$  implies that for  $m$  sufficiently large,  $Q_m$  is not an egress point. The possibilities (for example,  $(t_c, \varphi(t_c)) \in W - \bar{V}$  for some  $t_c \in (t_p, t_b)$ ) are easily checked. Thus  $C(P)$  is compact.

**THEOREM 6.** - Let  $C : (V \cup S) \rightarrow Fr(V)$  be the consequent mapping and let  $P \in V \cup S$ . If all solutions through  $P$  leave  $V$  and all points of egress are strict, then  $C(P)$  is connected.

**PROOF.** - If  $P \in S$ , the proof is immediate. So assume  $P \in V$ .

If  $C(P)$  is not connected, then  $C(P) = C_1 \cup C_2$  where  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  are disjoint compact subsets of  $W$ .

For  $\varphi(t, P)$  a solution of (1) with  $P \in V$  let  $D_\varphi = (\alpha, \omega)$  be the maximal interval of existence of  $\varphi(t, P)$  relative to  $W$  and let  $E_\varphi = (\beta, \gamma)$  be the maximal interval of existence of  $\varphi(t, P)$  relative to  $V$ , i.e.  $E_\varphi$  is the largest open interval about  $t_p$  such that  $(t, \varphi(t, P)) \in V$  for  $t \in E_\varphi$ . Let  $\Phi(P)$  denote the trajectory of  $\varphi(t, P)$  relative to  $V$ , i.e.  $\Phi(P) = \{(t, \varphi(t, P)) : t \in E_\varphi\}$ . Let  $\sigma(A, B) = \inf \{|a - b| : a \in A, b \in B\}$ .

Let  $R = \{\Phi(Q) : Q \in V \text{ and } \sigma(\Phi(Q), C_1) \leq \sigma(\Phi(Q), C_2)\}$  and let  $S$  be a set similarly defined but with the inequality reversed. Then  $R, S$  are positively weakly invariant and closed, relative to  $V$ ,  $V = R \cup S$ , and  $P \in R \cap S$ . We may conclude by Theorem 8 that there exists a  $\varphi(t, P)$  such that  $(t, \varphi(t, P)) \in R \cap S$  for  $t_p \leq t < \gamma$ .

Since  $\varphi(t, P)$  leaves  $V$ ,  $\gamma < \omega$  and  $(\gamma, \varphi(\gamma, P)) \in Fr(V)$ , say  $(\gamma, \varphi(\gamma, P)) \in C_1$ . Then  $0 = \sigma(\Phi(P), C_1) = \sigma(\Phi(P), C_2) > 0$  and from this contradiction we conclude that  $C(P)$  is connected.

**THEOREM 7.** - Let  $C : (V \cup S) \rightarrow Fr(V)$  be the consequent mapping and let  $A$  be a nonempty subset of  $V \cup S$ . If all solutions through  $P$  leave  $V$ , for each  $P \in A$ , and if all points of egress are strict, then  $C$  is usc on  $A$ .

**PROOF.** - By Theorem 5,  $C(P)$  is compact for each  $P \in A$ .

If  $C$  is not usc at some  $P_0 \in A$ , then there exists an  $\varepsilon > 0$  and a sequence  $\{P_n \in A : P_n \rightarrow P_0 \text{ and } r(C(P_n), C(P_0)) \geq \varepsilon \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty\}$ .

Hence, for each  $n$ , there is a  $Q_n \in C(P_n)$  such that  $r(Q_n, C(P_0)) \geq \varepsilon$ . Let  $\varphi_n(t)$  be a solution of (1) through  $P_n$  and  $Q_n$ . By Theorem 4 there is a

subsequence  $\{\varphi_k(t)\}$  of  $\{\varphi_n(t)\}$  which converges to a solution  $\varphi(t)$  of (1) with  $\varphi(t_0) = x_0$ . By assumption,  $\varphi(t)$  leaves  $V$  and every point of egress is strict. Now just as in the proof of Theorem 5 we can find a subsequence  $\{t_m\}$  of  $\{t_k\}$  such that  $(t_m, \varphi_m(t_m)) = Q_m \rightarrow (t_b, \varphi(t_b)) \in C(P_0)$  which is a contradiction.

REMARK. - If  $A$  is a compact and connected subset of  $V \cup S$ , then under the hypotheses of Theorem 7,  $C(A)$  is compact and connected. This is a consequence of the properties of usc functions. (See for example [3], Theorem 1).

DEFINITION. - Let  $A, B$  be subsets of  $R^{n+1}$  with  $B \subset A$ . If there exists a usc mapping  $G: A \rightarrow c(R^{n+1})$  such that  $G(x) \subset B$  and  $G(x)$  is connected for all  $x \in A$  and  $x \in G(x)$  for all  $x \in B$ , then  $B$  is a *set-valued retract* of  $A$  and  $G$  is a *set-valued retraction* from  $A$  into  $B$ .

THEOREM 8. - If there exists a set  $Z \subset V \cup S$  such that  $Z \cap S$  is a set-valued retract of  $S$  but not of  $Z$  and if all points of  $S$  are points of strict egress, then there exists a  $P \in Z$  and a solution  $\varphi(t, P)$  of (1) such that  $(t, \varphi(t, P)) \in V$  for  $t \in D_\varphi \cap [t_p, \infty)$ .

PROOF. - If, for all  $P \in Z$ , every solution  $\varphi(t, P)$  of (1) leaves  $V$ , then the consequent mapping  $C: Z \rightarrow S$  is usc.

Let  $H: S \rightarrow Z \cap S$  be the set-valued retraction which is given in the hypotheses. Then  $HC: Z \rightarrow Z \cap S$  is usc and for each  $P \in Z \cap S$ ,  $P \in H(P) \subset HC(P)$ . Thus  $Z \cap S$  is a set-valued retract of  $Z$  which is a contradiction.

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