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# Generalized nonlinear vector mixed quasi-variational-like inequality governed by a multi-valued map

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## Abstract

In this paper, we introduce and study a new class of generalized nonlinear vector mixed quasi-variational-like inequalities governed by a multi-valued map in Hausdorff topological vector spaces which includes generalized vector mixed general quasi-variational-like inequalities, generalized nonlinear mixed variational-like inequalities, and so on. By using the fixed point theorem, we prove some existence theorems for the proposed inequality.

**Keywords:** generalized nonlinear vector mixed quasi-variational-like inequality; multi-valued map; fixed point theorem; open lower section; 0-diagonally convex; locally convex topological vector space

## **1** Introduction

Variational inequality theory has appeared as an effective and powerful tool to study and investigate a wide class of problems arising in pure and applied sciences including elasticity, optimization, economics, transportation, and structural analysis; see, for instance, [1–4] and the references therein. A vector variational inequality in a finite-dimensional Euclidean space was first introduced by Giannessi [5]. This is a generalization of scalar variational inequality to the vector case by virtue of multi-criterion consideration. In 1966, Browder [6] first introduced and proved the basic existence theorems of solutions to a class of nonlinear variational inequalities. The Browder's results was extended to more generalized nonlinear variational inequalities by Liu *et al.* [7], Ahmad and Irfan [8], Husain and Gupta [9] and Xiao *et al.* [10], Zhao *et al.* [11].

In this paper, we consider a generalized nonlinear vector mixed quasi-variational-like inequality governed by a multi-valued map and establish some existence results in locally convex topological vector spaces by using the fixed point theorem.

Let *Y* be a locally convex Hausdorff topological vector space (l.c.s., in short) and let *K* be a nonempty convex subset of a Hausdorff topological vector space (t.v.s., in short) *E*. We denote by L(E, Y) the space of all continuous linear operators from *E* into *Y*, where L(E, Y) is equipped with a  $\sigma$ -topology, and by  $\langle l, x \rangle$  the evaluation of  $l \in L(E, Y)$  at  $x \in E$ . Let  $X \subseteq L(E, Y)$ . From the corollary of Schaefer [12], L(E, Y) becomes a l.c.s. By Ding and Tarafdar [13], we have the bilinear map  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : L(K, Y) \times K \to Y$  is continuous. Let int*A* and co(*A*) represent the interior and convex hull of a set *A*, respectively. Let  $C : K \to 2^Y$ 



© 2013 Wangkeeree and Yimmuang; licensee Springer. This is an Open Access article distributed under the terms of the Creative Commons Attribution License (http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/2.0), which permits unrestricted use, distribution, and reproduction in any medium, provided the original work is properly cited. be a set-valued mapping such that  $\operatorname{int} C(x) \neq \emptyset$  for each  $x \in K$ , let  $\eta : K \times K \to E$  be a vector-valued mapping.

Let  $N : L(E, Y) \times L(E, Y) \times L(E, Y) \rightarrow 2^{L(E,Y)}$  be a set-valued mapping,  $H : K \times K \rightarrow 2^Y$ ,  $D : K \rightarrow 2^K$  and  $T, A, M : K \rightarrow 2^X$  be set-valued mappings. For each  $\omega^* \in L(E, Y)$  and  $g : K \rightarrow K$  a single-valued mapping, we consider the following class of generalized nonlinear vector mixed quasi-variational-like inequality governed by a multi-valued map :

$$(\mathcal{P}) \begin{cases} \text{find } u \in K \text{ such that } u \in D(u) \text{ and for each } v \in D(u), \\ \text{there exist } x \in T(u), y \in A(u) \text{ and } z \in M(u) \text{ satisfying} \\ \langle N(x, y, z) - \omega^*, \eta(v, g(u)) \rangle + H(g(u), v) \nsubseteq -\text{ int } C(u). \end{cases}$$
(1.1)

The problem ( $\mathcal{P}$ ) encompasses many models of variational inequality problems. The following problems are the special cases of ( $\mathcal{P}$ ).

(a) If  $N : L(E, Y) \times L(E, Y) \times L(E, Y) \rightarrow L(E, Y)$  and  $H : K \times K \rightarrow Y$  are two single-valued mappings, N(x, y, z) = A(x), where  $A : L(E, Y) \rightarrow L(E, Y)$  and  $\omega^* = 0$ , then the problem ( $\mathcal{P}$ ) reduces to the following generalized vector mixed general quasi-variational-like inequality problem for finding  $u \in K$  such that  $u \in D(u)$  and for each  $v \in D(u)$ , there exists  $x \in T(u)$  satisfying

$$\langle A(x), \eta(v, g(u)) \rangle + H(g(u), v) \notin -\operatorname{int} C(u).$$

$$(1.2)$$

The problem (1.2) was studied by Ding and Salahuddin [14]. Some existence results of solutions are established under suitable assumptions without monotonicity and compactness.

(b) If g is an identity mapping and ω\* = 0, then the problem (𝒫) reduces to the following generalized nonlinear vector quasi-variational-like inequality problem for finding (u, x, y, z) ∈ K × U × V × W such that u ∈ D(u) and for each v ∈ D(u), there exist x ∈ T(u), y ∈ A(u) and z ∈ M(u) satisfying

$$\langle N(x, y, z), \eta(v, u) \rangle + H(u, v) \nsubseteq -\operatorname{int} C(u).$$
(1.3)

The problem (1.3) was studied by Husain and Gupta [15].

(c) If D(u) = K, then the problem (1.3) reduces to the problem of finding  $u \in K$  such that there exist  $x \in T(u)$ ,  $y \in A(u)$  and  $z \in M(u)$  satisfying

$$\langle N(x, y, z), \eta(v, u) \rangle + H(u, v) \nsubseteq -\operatorname{int} C(u), \quad \forall v \in K,$$
(1.4)

which is introduced and studied by Xiao et al. [5]. When

 $N: L(E, Y) \times L(E, Y) \times L(E, Y) \rightarrow L(E, Y)$  and  $H: K \times K \rightarrow Y$  are two single-valued mappings, the problem (1.4) includes some generalized variational inequality problems investigated in [8, 11, 16–19] as special cases.

(d) If  $T(u) = A(u) = \emptyset$  for all  $u \in K$ , and N is an identity mapping, the problem (1.3) reduces to the problem of finding  $u \in K$  such that  $u \in D(u)$  and for all  $v \in D(u)$ ,

 $\langle T(u), \eta(v, u) \rangle + H(u, v) \not\subseteq -\operatorname{int} C(u),$ 

which is introduced and studied by Peng and Yang [20].

For suitable and appropriate conditions imposed on the mappings *C*, *N*, *H*, *D*, *T*, *A*, *M*,  $\eta$  and *g* and by means of the fixed point theorem, we establish some existence results of solutions for the problem ( $\mathcal{P}$ ). It is clear that the problem ( $\mathcal{P}$ ) is the most general and unifying one, which is also one of the main motivations of this paper.

**Definition 1.1** [21] Let *A* and *B* be two topological vector spaces and let  $T : A \to 2^B$  be a multi-valued mapping, then

- (i) *T* is said to be upper semicontinuous if for any x<sub>0</sub> ∈ A and for each open set *U* in *B* containing *T*(x<sub>0</sub>), there is a neighborhood *V* of x<sub>0</sub> in *A* such that *T*(x) ⊂ *U* for all x ∈ *V*.
- (ii) *T* is said to have open lower sections if the set  $T^{-1}(y) = \{x \in A : y \in T(x)\}$  is open in *X* for each  $y \in B$ .
- (iii) *T* is said to be closed if any net  $\{x_{\alpha}\}$  in *A* such that  $x_{\alpha} \to x$  and any  $\{y_{\alpha}\}$  in *B* such that  $y_{\alpha} \to y$  and  $y_{\alpha} \in T(x_{\alpha})$  for any  $\alpha$ , we have  $y \in T(x)$ .
- (iv) *T* is said to be lower semicontinuous if for any  $x_0 \in A$  and for each open set *U* in *B* containing  $T(x_0)$ , there is a neighborhood *V* of  $x_0$  in *A* such that  $T(x) \cap U \neq \emptyset$  for all  $x \in V$ .
- (v) T is said to be continuous if it is both lower and upper semicontinuous.

**Lemma 1.2** [22] Let A and B be two topological spaces. Suppose  $T: A \rightarrow 2^B$  and  $H: A \rightarrow 2^B$  are multi-valued mappings having open lower sections, then

- (i)  $G: A \to 2^B$  defined by, for each  $x \in A$ , G(x) = co(T(x)) has open lower sections;
- (ii)  $\rho: A \to 2^B$  defined by, for each  $x \in A$ ,  $\rho(x) = T(x) \cap H(x)$  has open lower sections.

**Lemma 1.3** [23] Let A and B be two topological spaces. If  $T : A \to 2^B$  is an upper semicontinuous mapping with closed values, then T is closed.

**Lemma 1.4** [24] Let A and B be two topological spaces and let  $T : A \to 2^B$  be an upper semicontinuous mapping with compact values. Suppose  $\{x_{\alpha}\}$  is a net in A such that  $x_{\alpha} \to x_0$ . If  $y_{\alpha} \in T(x_{\alpha})$  for each  $\alpha$ , then there is a  $y_0 \in T(x_0)$  and a subset  $\{y_{\beta}\}$  of  $\{y_{\alpha}\}$  such that  $y_{\beta} \to y_0$ .

Let *I* be an index set,  $E_i$  be a Hausdorff topological vector space for each  $i \in I$ . Let  $K_i$  be a family of nonempty compact convex subsets in  $E_i$ . Let  $K = \prod_{i \in I} K_i$  and  $E = \prod_{i \in I} E_i$ .

**Lemma 1.5** [8] For each  $i \in I$ , let  $T_i : K \to 2^{K_i}$  be a set-valued mapping. Assume that the following conditions hold.

- (i) For each  $i \in I$ ,  $T_i$  is a convex set-valued mapping;
- (ii)  $K = \bigcup \{ \inf T_i^{-1}(x_i) : x_i \in K_i \}.$

Then there exists  $\bar{x} \in K$  such that  $\bar{x} \in T(\bar{x}) = \prod_{i \in I} T_i(\bar{x}_i)$ , that is,  $\bar{x}_i \in T_i(\bar{x}_i)$  for each  $i \in I$ , where  $\bar{x}_i$  is the projection of  $\bar{x}$  onto  $K_i$ .

## 2 Main results

In this section, we shall derive the solvability for the problem ( $\mathcal{P}$ ) under certain conditions.

First, we give the concept of 0-diagonally convex which is useful for establishing the existence theorem for the problem ( $\mathcal{P}$ ).

**Definition 2.1** Let K be a convex subset of a t.v.s. *E* and *Y* be a t.v.s. Let  $C: K \to 2^Y$  be a set-valued mapping and  $g: K \to K$  be a single-valued mapping. Then the multi-valued mapping  $H: K \times K \to 2^Y$  is said to be 0-diagonally convex with respect to *g* in the second variable if for any finite subset  $\{x_1, \ldots, x_n\}$  of *K* and any  $x = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i x_i$  with  $\alpha_i \ge 0$  for  $i = 1, \ldots, n$ , and  $\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i = 1$ ,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i H(g(x), x_i) \not\subseteq -\operatorname{int} C(x).$$

## Remark 2.2

- (i) If *g* is an identity mapping, then the concept in Definition 2.1 reduces to the corresponding concept of 0-diagonal convexity in [25].
- (ii) If  $H: K \times K \to Y$  is a single-valued mapping, then the concept in Definition 2.1 reduces to the corresponding concept of 0-diagonally convex with respect to *g* in the second variable in [14].

**Theorem 2.3** Let Y be a l.c.s., K be a nonempty convex subset of a Hausdorff t.v.s. E, X be a nonempty compact convex subset of L(E, Y), which is equipped with a  $\sigma$ -topology. Let g :  $K \to K, \omega^* \in L(E, Y)$  and  $T, A, M : K \to 2^X$  be upper semicontinuous set-valued mappings with nonempty compact values. Assume that the following conditions are satisfied:

(i) D: K → 2<sup>K</sup> is a nonempty convex set-valued mapping and has open lower sections;
(ii) for each v ∈ K, the mapping

$$\langle N(\cdot, \cdot, \cdot) - \omega^*, \eta(\nu, \cdot) \rangle + H(\cdot, \nu) : L(E, Y) \times L(E, Y) \times L(E, Y) \times K \times K \to 2^Y$$

is an upper semicontinuous set-valued mapping with compact values;

- (iii)  $C: K \to 2^Y$  is a convex set-valued mapping with int  $C(u) \neq \emptyset$  for all  $u \in K$ ;
- (iv)  $\eta: K \times K \to E$  is affine in the first argument and for all  $u \in K$ ,  $\eta(u, g(u)) = 0$ ;
- (v)  $H: K \times K \to 2^Y$  is generalized vector 0-diagonally convex with respect to g;
- (vi)  $g: K \to K$  is continuous;
- (vii) for each  $u \in K$ , the set  $\{u \in K : \operatorname{co} \Lambda(u) \cap D(u) \neq \emptyset\}$  is closed in K, where  $\Lambda(u)$  is defined as

$$\Lambda(u) = \left\{ v \in K : \left\langle N(x, y, z) - \omega^*, \eta(v, g(u)) \right\rangle + H(g(u), v) \subseteq -\operatorname{int} C(u), \\ \forall x \in T(u), y \in A(u), z \in M(u) \right\}.$$

*Then the problem*  $(\mathcal{P})$  *admits at least one solution.* 

*Proof* Let  $\omega^* \in L(E, Y)$ . Define a set-valued mapping  $Q: K \to 2^K$  by

$$Q(u) = \left\{ v \in K : \left\langle N(x, y, z) - \omega^*, \eta(v, g(u)) \right\rangle + H(g(u), v) \subseteq -\operatorname{int} C(u), \\ \forall x \in T(u), y \in A(u), z \in M(u) \right\}$$

for all  $u \in K$ . We first prove that  $u \notin \operatorname{co} Q(u)$  for all  $u \in K$ . To see this, suppose, by the method of contradiction, that there exists some point  $\overline{u} \in K$  such that  $\overline{u} \in \operatorname{co} Q(\overline{u})$ . Then

there exists a finite subset  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\} \subset Q(\bar{u})$ , for  $\bar{u} \in co\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ , such that

$$\langle N(\bar{x},\bar{y},\bar{z})-\omega^*,\eta(v_i,g(\bar{u}))\rangle + H(g(\bar{u}),v_i) \subseteq -\operatorname{int} C(\bar{u}), \quad i=1,2,\ldots,n.$$

Since int  $C(\bar{u})$  is a convex set and  $\eta$  is affine in the first argument, for i = 1, 2, ..., n,  $\alpha_i \ge 0$  with  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i = 1$ ,  $\bar{u} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i \nu_i$ , we have

$$\left\langle N(\bar{x},\bar{y},\bar{z})-\omega^*,\eta\left(\sum_{i=1}^n\alpha_i\nu_i,g(\bar{u})\right)\right\rangle+\sum_{i=1}^n\alpha_iH(g(\bar{u}),\nu_i)\subseteq-\operatorname{int} C(\bar{u}).$$

Since  $\eta(u, g(u)) = 0$ , for all  $u \in K$ , we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i H(g(\bar{u}), v_i) \subseteq -\operatorname{int} C(\bar{u}),$$

which contradicts the condition (v), so that  $u \notin \operatorname{co} Q(u)$  for all  $u \in K$ .

We now prove that

$$Q^{-}(v) = \left\{ u \in K : \left\langle N(x, y, z) - \omega^*, \eta(v, g(u)) \right\rangle + H(g(u), v) \subseteq -\operatorname{int} C(u), \\ \forall x \in T(u), y \in A(u), z \in M(u) \right\}$$

is open for all  $v \in K$ , that is, Q has open lower sections.

Consider a set-valued mapping  $J: K \to 2^K$  is defined by

$$J(v) = \left\{ u \in K : \exists x \in T(u), y \in A(u), z \in M(u) \text{ such that} \\ \left\langle N(x, y, z, ) - \omega^*, \eta(v, g(u)) \right\rangle + H(g(u), v) \nsubseteq -\operatorname{int} C(u) \right\}.$$

We only need to prove that J(v) is closed for all  $v \in K$ . Let  $\{u_{\alpha}\}$  be a net in J(v) such that

$$u_{\alpha} \rightarrow u^*$$
.

Since g is continuous, we have

$$g(u_{\alpha}) \rightarrow g(u^*).$$

Then there exist  $x_{\alpha} \in T(u_{\alpha})$ ,  $y_{\alpha} \in A(u_{\alpha})$  and  $z_{\alpha} \in M(u_{\alpha})$  such that

$$\langle N(x_{\alpha}, y_{\alpha}, z_{\alpha},) - \omega^*, \eta(v_{\alpha}, g(u_{\alpha})) \rangle + H(g(u_{\alpha}), v_{\alpha}) \not\subseteq - \operatorname{int} C(u_{\alpha}).$$

Since *T*, *A*, *M* are upper semicontinuous set-valued mappings with compact values, by Lemma 1.4,  $\{x_{\alpha}\}$ ,  $\{y_{\alpha}\}$ ,  $\{z_{\alpha}\}$  have convergent subnets with limits, say  $x^*$ ,  $y^*$ ,  $z^*$  and  $x^* \in T(u^*)$ ,  $y^* \in A(u^*)$  and  $z^* \in M(u^*)$ . Without loss of generality, we may assume that  $x_{\alpha} \to x^*$ ,  $y_{\alpha} \to y^*$  and  $z_{\alpha} \to z^*$ . Suppose that

$$m_{\alpha} \in \left\{ \left\langle N(x_{\alpha}, y_{\alpha}, z_{\alpha}, ) - \omega^*, \eta(v_{\alpha}, g(u_{\alpha})) \right\rangle + H(g(u_{\alpha}), v_{\alpha}) \nsubseteq -\operatorname{int} C(u_{\alpha}) \right\}.$$

Since  $\langle N(\cdot, \cdot, \cdot) - \omega^*, \eta(v, \cdot) \rangle + H(\cdot, v)$  is upper semicontinuous with compact values, by Lemma 1.4, there exist  $m^* \in \langle N(x^*, y^*, z^*) - \omega^*, \eta(v^*, g(u^*)) \rangle + H(g(u^*), v^*)$  and a subnet  $\{m_\beta\}$  of  $\{m_\alpha\}$  such that  $m_\beta \to m^*$ . Hence J(v) is closed in K. So that  $Q^-(v)$  is open for each  $v \in K$ . Therefore Q has open lower sections.

Consider a set-valued mapping  $G: K \times U \times V \times W \rightarrow 2^K$  defined by

$$G(u) = \operatorname{co} Q(u) \cap D(u), \quad \forall u \in K.$$

Since D has open lower sections by hypothesis (i), we may apply Lemma 1.2 to assert that the set-valued mapping G has also open lower sections. Let

$$Z = \{ u \in K : G(u) \neq \emptyset \}.$$

There are two cases to consider. In the case  $Z = \emptyset$ , we have

$$\operatorname{co} Q(u) \cap D(u) = \emptyset$$
 for each  $u \in K$ .

This implies that for each  $u \in K$ ,

$$Q(u) \cap D(u) = \emptyset.$$

On the other hand, by the condition (i), and the fact that *K* is a compact convex subset of *Y*, we can apply Lemma 1.5, in this case that  $I = \{1\}$ , to assert the existence of a fixed point  $u^* \in D(u^*)$ , we have

$$Q(u^*) \cap D(u^*) = \emptyset.$$

This implies  $\forall v \in D(u^*)$ ,  $v \notin Q(u^*)$ . Hence, in this particular case, the assertion of the theorem holds.

We now consider the case  $Z \neq \emptyset$ . Define a set-valued mapping  $S: K \to 2^K$  by

$$S(u) = \begin{cases} G(u), & u \in Z; \\ D(u), & u \in K \setminus Z. \end{cases}$$

Then, for each  $u \in K$ , S(u) is a convex set and for each  $t \in K$ ,

$$S^{-}(t) = G^{-}(t) \cup \big( (K \setminus Z) \cap \big( D^{-}(t) \big) \big).$$

Since  $D^-(t)$ , co  $Q^-(t)$  are open in K and  $K \setminus Z$  is open in K by the condition (vii), we have  $S^-(t)$  is open in K. This implies that S has open lower sections. Therefore, there exists  $u^* \in K$  such that  $u^* \in S(u^*)$ . Suppose that  $u^* \in Z$ , then

$$u^* \in \operatorname{co} Q(u^*) \cap D(u^*),$$

so that  $u^* \in \operatorname{co} Q(u^*)$ . This is a contradiction. Hence,  $u^* \notin Z$ . Therefore,

$$u^* \in D(u^*)$$
 and  $G(u^*) = \emptyset$ .

Thus

$$u^* \in D(u^*)$$
 and  $\operatorname{co} Q(u^*) \cap D(u^*) = \emptyset$ .

This implies

$$Q(u^*)\cap D(u^*)=\emptyset.$$

Consequently, the assertion of the theorem holds in this case. The problem ( $\mathcal{P}$ ) admits at least one solution.

**Corollary 2.4** Let Y be a l.c.s., K be a nonempty convex subset of a Hausdorff t.v.s. E, X be a nonempty compact convex subset of L(E, Y), which is equipped with a  $\sigma$ -topology. Assume that N and H are single-valued mappings and  $T, A, M : K \to 2^X$  are upper semicontinuous set-valued mappings with nonempty compact values. Let  $\omega^* \in L(E, Y)$  and  $g : K \to K$ . Assume that the following conditions are satisfied:

(i) D: K → 2<sup>K</sup> is a nonempty convex set-valued mapping and has open lower sections;
(ii) for each v ∈ K, the mapping

$$\langle N(\cdot, \cdot, \cdot) - \omega^*, \eta(\nu, \cdot) \rangle + H(\cdot, \nu) : L(E, Y) \times L(E, Y) \times L(E, Y) \times K \times K \to 2^Y$$

is continuous;

- (iii)  $C: K \to 2^Y$  is a convex set-valued mapping with int  $C(u) \neq \emptyset$  for all  $u \in K$ ;
- (iv)  $\eta: K \times K \to E$  is affine in the first argument and for all  $u \in K$ ,  $\eta(u, g(u)) = 0$ ;
- (v)  $H: K \times K \to 2^Y$  is vector 0-diagonally convex with respect to g;
- (vi)  $g: K \to K$  is continuous;
- (vii) for each  $u \in K$ , the set  $\{u \in K : \operatorname{co} \Lambda(u) \cap D(u) \neq \emptyset\}$  is closed in K, where  $\Lambda(u)$  is defined as

$$\Lambda(u) = \left\{ v \in K : \left\langle N(x, y, z) - \omega^*, \eta(v, g(u)) \right\rangle + H(g(u), v) \subseteq -\operatorname{int} C(u), \\ \forall x \in T(u), y \in A(u), z \in M(u) \right\};$$

(viii)  $Y \setminus \{-int C(u)\}$  is an upper semicontinuous set-valued mapping.

Then there exists a point  $\bar{u} \in K$  such that  $\bar{u} \in D(\bar{u})$  and for each  $v \in D(\bar{u})$ , there exist  $\bar{x} \in T(\bar{u})$ ,  $\bar{y} \in A(\bar{u})$  and  $\bar{z} \in M(\bar{u})$  such that

$$\langle N(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}) - \omega^*, \eta(v, g(\bar{u})) \rangle + H(g(\bar{u}), v) \notin -\operatorname{int} C(\bar{u}).$$

Proof

Define a set-valued mapping  $Q: K \to 2^K$  by

$$Q(u) = \left\{ v \in K : \left\langle N(x, y, z) - \omega^*, \eta\left(v, g(u)\right) \right\rangle + H(g(u), v) \in -\operatorname{int} C(u), \\ \forall x \in T(u), y \in A(u), z \in M(u) \right\}$$

$$(Q^{-1}(v))^c = \{u \in K : \exists x \in T(u), y \in A(u), z \in M(u) \text{ such that} \\ \langle N(x, y, z) - \omega^*, \eta(v, g(u)) \rangle + H(g(u), v) \cap Y \setminus \{-\operatorname{int} C(u)\} \neq \emptyset \}$$

is closed in *K*. Let  $\{u_t\}$  be a net in  $(Q^{-1}(v))^c$  such that

$$g(u_t) \to g(u^*) \in K.$$

Then there exist  $x_t \in T(u_t)$ ,  $y_t \in A(u_t)$  and  $z_t \in M(u_t)$  such that

$$\langle N(x_t, y_t, z_t) - \omega^*, \eta(v, g(u_t)) \rangle + H(g(u_t), v) \in Y \setminus \{-\operatorname{int} C(u_t)\}.$$

The upper semicontinuity, compact values of *T*, *A*, *M* and Lemma 1.4 imply that there exist convergent subnets  $\{x_{t_i}\}, \{y_{t_i}\}$  and  $\{z_{t_i}\}$  such that

$$x_{t_j} o x^*$$
,  $y_{t_j} o y^*$  and  $z_{t_j} o z^*$ 

for some  $x^* \in T(u)$ ,  $y^* \in A(u)$  and  $z^* \in M(u)$ . Since  $\langle N(\cdot, \cdot, \cdot) - \omega^*, \eta(v, \cdot) \rangle + H(\cdot, v)$  is continuous, we have

$$\langle N(x_{t_j}, y_{t_j}, z_{t_j}) - \omega^*, \eta(v, g(u_{t_j})) \rangle + H(g(u_{t_j}), v)$$
  
 
$$\rightarrow \langle N(x^*, y^*, z^*) - \omega^*, \eta(v, g(u^*)) \rangle + H(g(u^*), v)$$

From Lemma 1.3 and upper semicontinuity of  $Y \setminus (-\operatorname{int} C(u))$ , we have

$$\langle N(x^*, y^*, z^*) - \omega^*, \eta(v, g(u^*)) \rangle + H(g(u^*), v) \in Y \setminus (-\operatorname{int} C(u^*)),$$

and hence  $u^* \in (Q^{-1}(v))^c$ , which gives that  $(Q^{-1}(v))^c$  is closed. Therefore Q has open lower sections. For the remainder of the proof, we can just follow that of Theorem 2.3. This completes the proof.

**Theorem 2.5** Let Y be a l.c.s., K be a nonempty convex subset of a Hausdorff t.v.s. E, X be a nonempty compact convex subset of L(E, Y), which is equipped with a  $\sigma$ -topology. Let  $\omega^* \in L(E, Y)$ ,  $g: K \to K$  and  $T, A, M: K \to 2^X$  be upper semicontinuous set-valued mappings. Assume that the following conditions are satisfied.

(i) D: K → 2<sup>K</sup> is a nonempty convex set-valued mapping and has open lower sections;
(ii) for each y ∈ K, the mapping

$$\langle N(\cdot, \cdot, \cdot) - \omega^*, \eta(\nu, \cdot) \rangle + H(\cdot, \nu) : L(E, Y) \times L(E, Y) \times L(E, Y) \times K \times K \to 2^Y$$

is upper semicontinuous;

- (iii)  $C: K \to 2^Y$  is a convex set-valued mapping with int  $C(u) \neq \emptyset$  for all  $u \in K$ ;
- (iv)  $\eta: K \times K \to E$  is affine in the first argument and for all  $x \in K$ ,  $\eta(u, g(u)) = 0$ ;
- (v)  $H: K \times K \to 2^Y$  is generalized vector 0-diagonally convex with respect to g;
- (vi)  $g: K \to K$  is continuous;

(vii) For each  $u \in K$ , the set  $\{u \in K : co \Lambda(u) \cap D(u) \neq \emptyset\}$  is closed in K, where  $\Lambda(u)$  is defined as

$$\Lambda(u) = \left\{ v \in K : \left\langle N(x, y, z) - \omega^*, \eta\left(v, g(u)\right) \right\rangle + H(g(u), v) \subseteq -\operatorname{int} C(u), \\ \forall x \in T(u), y \in A(u), z \in M(u) \right\};$$

(viii) for a given  $u \in K$ , and a neighborhood O of u, for all  $t \in O$ , int C(u) = int C(t). Then the problem  $(\mathcal{P})$  admits at least one solution.

*Proof* Define a set-valued mapping  $Q: K \to 2^K$  by

$$Q(u) = \left\{ v \in K : \left\langle N(x, y, z) - \omega^*, \eta(v, g(u)) \right\rangle + H(g(u), v) \subseteq -\operatorname{int} C(u), \\ \forall x \in T(u), y \in A(u), z \in M(u) \right\}$$

for all  $u \in K$ . We now prove that for each  $v \in K$ ,

$$Q^{-1}(v) = \left\{ u \in K : \left| N(x, y, z) - \omega^*, \eta(v, g(u)) \right| + H(g(u), v) \subseteq -\operatorname{int} C(u), \\ \forall x \in T(u), y \in A(u), z \in M(u) \right\}$$

is open. That is, *Q* has open lower sections in *K*. Indeed, let  $\bar{u} \in Q^{-}(v)$ , that is,

$$\langle N(x, y, z) - \omega^*, \eta(v, g(\bar{u})) \rangle + H(g(\bar{u}), v) \subseteq -\operatorname{int} C(\bar{u}).$$

Since  $(N(\cdot, \cdot, \cdot) - \omega^*, \eta(y, g(\cdot))) + H(g(\cdot), y)$  is upper semicontinuous, there exists a neighborhood *O* of  $\bar{u}$  such that

$$\langle N(x, y, z) - \omega^*, \eta(v, g(u)) \rangle + H(g(u), v) \subseteq -\operatorname{int} C(u), \quad \forall u \in O.$$

By (vii),

$$\langle N(x, y, z) - \omega^*, \eta(v, g(u)) \rangle + H(g(u), v) \subseteq -\operatorname{int} C(\overline{u}), \quad \forall u \in O.$$

Hence,  $O \subset Q^-(v)$ . This implies  $Q^-(v)$  is open for each  $v \in K$ , and so Q has open lower sections. For the remainder of the proof, we can just follow that of Theorem 2.3. This completes the proof.

**Corollary 2.6** Let Y be a l.c.s., K be a nonempty convex subset of a Hausdorff t.v.s. E, X be a nonempty compact convex subset of L(E, Y), which is equipped with a  $\sigma$ -topology. Let  $\omega^* \in L(E, Y)$ ,  $g: K \to K$  and  $T, A, M: K \to 2^X$  be upper semicontinuous set-valued mappings. Assume that the following conditions are satisfied.

(i)  $D: K \to 2^K$  is a nonempty convex set-valued mapping and has open lower sections;

(ii) for each  $y \in K$ , the mapping

 $\langle N(\cdot, \cdot, \cdot) - \omega^*, \eta(v, g(\cdot)) \rangle + H(g(\cdot), v) : L(E, Y) \times L(E, Y) \times L(E, Y) \times K \times K \to 2^Y$ 

is upper semicontinuous;

- (iii)  $C: K \to 2^Y$  is a convex set-valued mapping such that for each  $u \in K$ , C(u) = C is a convex cone with int  $C(u) \neq \emptyset$  for all  $u \in K$ ;
- (iv)  $\eta: K \times K \to E$  is affine in the first argument and for all  $u \in K$ ,  $\eta(u, g(u)) = 0$ ;
- (v)  $H: K \times K \to 2^Y$  is generalized vector 0-diagonally convex with respect to g;
- (vi)  $g: K \to K$  is continuous;
- (vii) for each  $u \in K$ , the set  $\{u \in K : \operatorname{co} \Lambda(u) \cap D(u) \neq \emptyset\}$  is closed in K, where  $\Lambda(u)$  is defined as

$$\Lambda(u) = \left\{ v \in K : \left\langle N(x, y, z) - \omega^*, \eta\left(v, g(u)\right) \right\rangle + H(g(u), v) \subseteq -\operatorname{int} C(u), \\ \forall x \in T(u), y \in A(u), z \in M(u) \right\}.$$

## Then the problem $(\mathcal{P})$ admits at least one solution.

*Proof* By hypothesis (iii), the condition (vii) in Theorem 2.5 is satisfied. Hence, all the conditions in Theorem 2.5 are satisfied.  $\Box$ 

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