

# Null Controllability of Nonlinear Mixed Integro-differential systems

## ABSTRACT

*The present paper investigates the existence of mild solutions and provides sufficient conditions for the null controllability of nonlinear mixed integrodifferential systems with unbounded linear operators in Banach spaces. It is observed that, if the linear system is controllable, then the nonlinear equivalence is also controllable by subjecting certain smooth conditions on the perturbation function. The results are obtained using semi group of linear operators, fractional powers of operators and the Schauder fixed point theorem.*

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## 1. Introduction

“Controllability generally means the possibility of steering a dynamical system from an initial state to another final arbitrary state. Controllability of linear and nonlinear systems of ordinary differential equations in finite dimensional space has been exclusively studied. Several authors have extended the concept to infinite dimensional systems represented by the evolution equations with bounded operators in Banach spaces” [ 1-3]. Balachandran et al [5] established “sufficient conditions for the local null controllability of nonlinear functional differential systems using the Schauder’s fixed point theorem with unbounded operators in Banach space”. The essence of this work is to extend the use of fixed point theorems to integro-differential systems with unbounded operators and infinite delay in Banach space. In particular, results are obtained for the null controllability of nonlinear mixed integro-differential systems with unbounded linear operators in Banach space. The motivation of this work stems from the fact that integro-differential equations play a useful role in many aspects of human development than ordinary differential equations This is because they deal with both the past and present state of the system. This dual characteristic plays a pivotal role in government policies. The purpose of this research is therefore to associate any time dependent process with the motion of a dynamical system which is the key and uniting element in synergetic. This work is significant because it does not only answer the controllability problem, but also the null controllability problem.

## 2. Preliminaries

Consider the following nonlinear mixed Volterra-Fredholm integro-differential system of the form

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}(t) &= A(t)x(\varphi) + \int_{-\infty}^t f(t,s)x(s)ds + (Bu)(t) + \int_{-\infty}^t K(t,s,x(s))ds \quad ; t \in J = [0, T] \\ x(\varphi) &= \varphi(t) \quad ; \quad t \in (-\infty, 0] \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

Here,  $\{A(t) : t \geq 0\}$  is a family of unbounded operators mapping a Banach Space  $X$  to itself. The state  $x(t)$  takes the values in the Banach space  $X$  and the control function  $u$  is given in  $L^2(J, U)$ , a Banach space of admissible control with  $U$  as a Banach space.  $B$  is a bounded linear operator from  $U$  to  $X$ . Let  $X_\alpha$  denotes the interpolation space defined in the  $\alpha$  power of  $A(0)$ , that is

$$X_\alpha = \{x: x \in D(A^\alpha(0))\}$$

with  $\|x\|_\alpha = \|A^\alpha(0)x\|$ . The space  $C_\alpha$  is the space of bounded uniformly continuous functions from  $(-\infty, 0]$  to  $X_\alpha$  endorsed with the supremum norm

$$\|\varphi\|_{C_\alpha} = \text{Sup}\{\|\varphi(\theta)\|_\alpha: \theta \in (-\infty, 0]\}$$

Further, let  $\varphi \in C_\alpha$  for some  $\alpha, 0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$  and  $f$  be a continuous nonlinear operator on  $JxJxX_\alpha$  into  $X$ .

For the existence of a solution of (1), we need the following assumptions:

- i) The domain  $D(A)$  of  $A(t), t \in J$  is dense in the Banach Space  $X$  and independent of  $t$ .
- ii) For each  $t \in [0, \infty)$ , the resolvent  $R(\lambda, A(t))$  exists for all  $C > 0$  such that

$$\|R(\lambda, A(t))\| \leq \frac{C}{|\lambda|+1}$$

- iii) For any  $t, s, \tau \in J$ , there exists a  $0 < \delta < 1$  and  $k > 0$  such that

$$\|(A(t) - A(\tau))A^{-1}(s)\| \leq K|t - \tau|^\delta$$

Conditions i) and ii) imply that for each  $r \geq 0$ ,  $-A(r)$  is the infinitesimal generator of an analytic semigroup  $\{e^{-tA(r)}: t \geq 0\}$ . The fact that  $0 \in P(A(r))$  and that  $-A(r)$  generates an analytic semigroup implies that fractional powers of  $A(r)$  can be defined for  $0 < \alpha < 1$ . We set

$$A^{-\alpha}(r) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^\infty s^{\alpha-1} e^{-sA(r)} ds$$

where  $\Gamma(\cdot)$  denotes the Euclidean gamma function.

The operator  $A^{-\alpha}(r)$  can be shown to be a bounded linear operator with a well-defined inverse. Let  $A^\alpha(r) = (A^{-\alpha}(r))^{-1}$ . If conditions i) to iii) are satisfied, then there exists an operator valued function  $X(t, \tau)$  which is defined on the triangle  $0 \leq \tau \leq t < \infty$  and has values in  $B(U)$ .  $X(t, \tau)$  is strongly continuous jointly in  $t$  and maps  $X$  into  $D(A)$  if  $t > \tau$ . The family  $\{X(t, \tau); 0 \leq \tau \leq t < \infty\}$  satisfies the identity

$$X(t, \tau) = X(t, s)X(s, \tau), \text{ for } 0 \leq \tau \leq s \leq t < \infty$$

The derivative  $\frac{\partial X(t, \tau)}{\partial t}$  exists in the strong operator topology and belongs to  $X$  whenever  $0 \leq \tau \leq t$ .

Finally,  $X(s, \tau)$  satisfies the following initial value problem,

$$\frac{\partial X(t, \tau)}{\partial t} = A(t)X(t, \tau) \quad \text{for } t > \tau$$

$$X(\tau, \tau) = I \quad (\text{I is the identity operator})$$

Further if  $0 \leq \nu \leq 1$ ,  $0 \leq \beta \leq \delta < 1 + \mu$ , then for any  $0 \leq \tau \leq t \leq t + \Delta t < T$  and  $s \in I$ , there exists a  $K(\beta, \gamma, \delta)$  such that

$$\|A^\nu(s)[X(t + \Delta t, \tau) - X(t, \tau)]A^{-\beta}(\tau)\| \leq K(\beta, \gamma, \delta)(\Delta t)^{\delta-\nu}|t - \tau|^{\beta-\delta} \quad (2)$$

- iv) There exists a  $\beta_0 > \alpha$  and  $\omega > 0$ , such that for all  $0 \leq \beta < \beta_0$ , there exists a  $K\beta > 0$  satisfying

$$\|A^\beta(0)X(t,s)\| \leq K_\beta(t-s)^{-\beta} e^{-\omega(t-s)} \quad (3)$$

- v) The function  $f: J \times J \times X_\alpha \rightarrow X$  is continuous,  $f(t,s,0) = 0$  for all  $s \leq t$  and there exists an  $L > 0$  and  $v > 0$  such that

$$\|f(t,s,x) - f(t,s,y)\| \leq e^{-v(t-s)} L|x-y|_\alpha \quad (4)$$

- vi) The bounded linear operator  $A^{-\alpha}(t)$  is compact for all  $\alpha \in (0,1]$ . Note that v) is satisfied by the function

$$f(t,s,x) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{for } s \leq t \\ ce^{-\alpha(t-s)} \arctan x, & \alpha > 0 \text{ and } c > 0 \end{cases}$$

Suppose that (i) – (iii) and (v) are satisfied, if  $\phi \in c_\alpha$  and  $\phi(0) \in D(A^\beta(0))$  for some  $\beta > 0$  and (iv) is satisfied for some  $\beta_0 > \beta$ , then there exists a unique function  $x(\phi)(\cdot): J \rightarrow X$  such that

$$x(\phi) = X(t,0)\phi(0) + \int_0^t X(t,s) \int_{-\infty}^s f(s,\tau, \delta_\tau(\phi)) d\tau ds + \int_0^t X(t,s)Bu(s)ds + \int_0^t X(t,s)K(t,s,x(s))ds \quad (5a)$$

$$x(\phi) = \phi(t), t \in (-\infty, v] \quad (5b)$$

Moreover,  $x(\phi)$  is continuously differentiable for  $t > 0$  and satisfies (1)

**Definition:** The system (1) is said to be null controllable on the interval  $J$  if for every continuous initial function  $\phi \in c_\alpha$ , there is a control  $u \in L^2(J,u)$  such that the solution  $x(\phi)$  of (1) satisfies  $x(\phi) = 0$

### 3. Main Results

**Theorem 3.1 :** Suppose conditions (i) – (vi) hold and the linear operator  $W$  from  $u$  to  $X$  defined by  $Wu = \int_0^T X(T,s)Bu(s)ds$  has an invertible operator  $W^{-1}$  defined on  $L^2(J,u)/KerW$ , if there exists positive constants  $N_1, N_2$  such that  $\|B\| \leq N_1$  and  $\|W^{-1}\| \leq N_2$ . Then the system (1) is Null controllable on  $J$ .

**Proof:** Define the control

$$u(t) = -W^{-1}[X(T,0)\phi(0) + \int_0^T X(T,s) \int_{-\infty}^0 f(s,\tau, x(\phi)) d\tau ds](t) + \int_{-\infty}^t K(t,s)x(s)ds \quad (6)$$

Now it is shown that, when using this control, the operator defined by

$$\Phi x(\phi) = \phi(t) \text{ for } t \in (-\infty, 0]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi x(\phi) = & X(t,0)\phi(0) - \int_0^t X(t,u)B W^{-1}[X(T,0)\phi(0) \\ & + \int_0^T X(T,s) \int_{-\infty}^0 f(s,\tau, x(\phi)) d\tau ds](\mu) d\mu + \\ & \int_0^t X(t,s) \int_{-\infty}^0 f(s,\tau, x(\phi)) d\tau ds + \int_{-\infty}^t K(t,s)x(s)ds \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

has a fixed point.

This fixed point is a solution of equation (1). Clearly  $\Phi x(\phi) = 0$  which means that the control  $u$  steers the nonlinear mixed integrodifferential system from the initial function  $\phi$  to 0 in time  $T$  provided that the nonlinear operator  $\Phi$  has a fixed point.

Define,

$$S = \{x \in C((-\infty, T]: X_0(0)): \|x(0)\| = \|\phi(t)\| \text{ on } t \in (-\infty, 0] \text{ and } \|x(\phi)\| \leq N, t \in J\}$$

Consider the transformation

$$\Phi: S \rightarrow C((-\infty, T]: X_\alpha(0)) \text{ defined by (7)}$$

It is claimed that  $\Phi: S \rightarrow S$ . For that

$$\begin{aligned} \|\Phi x(0)\|_\infty \leq & \|\Phi(0)\| K_\alpha t^{-\infty} e^{-\omega t} + K_\alpha L \int_0^t (t-s)^{-\alpha} e^{-\omega(t-s)} \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{-\infty(s-\tau)} \|x(\phi)\|_\alpha d\tau ds + \\ & K_\alpha \int_0^t (t-\mu)^{-\alpha} e^{-\omega(t-\mu)} N_1 N_2 \{ \|\phi(0)\| K_\alpha t^{-\alpha} e^{-\omega t} + \\ & K_\alpha L \int_0^T (T-s)^{-\alpha} e^{-\omega(T-s)} \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{-v(s-\tau)} \|x(\phi)\|_\alpha d\tau ds \} (\mu) d\mu \end{aligned}$$

We choose  $\delta > 0$  and observe that

$$\begin{aligned} e^{-\delta t} \|\Phi x(0)\|_\infty \leq & K_1 + K_2 L \int_0^t (t-s) e^{-(\omega+\delta)(t-s)} \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{(v+\delta)(s-\tau)} e^{-\delta \tau} \|x(\phi)\|_\alpha \delta \tau ds \\ & + K_\alpha N_1 N_2 \int_0^t (t-\mu)^{-\alpha} e^{-\omega(t-\mu)} \\ & \left\{ K_1 + K_2 L \int_0^T (T-s)^{-\alpha} e^{-(\omega+\delta)(T-s)} \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{-(v+\delta)(s-\tau)} e^{-\delta \tau} \|x(\phi)\|_\alpha d\tau ds \right\} (\mu) d\mu \end{aligned}$$

for  $K_2 > \text{supp} \{K_1, \|\phi\|_{C_\alpha}\}$  and for

$$y(t) = e^{-\delta t} \|x(\phi)\|_\alpha \|\Phi y(t)\|_\alpha \leq$$

$$K_2 + K_\alpha L \int_0^t (t-s)^{-\alpha} e^{(\omega+\delta)(t-s)} \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{-(v+\delta)(s-\tau)} y(\tau) d\tau ds \} (\mu) d\mu$$

If  $K_3 > 0$ , introduce a function  $z(\cdot)$  by

$$z(s) = \begin{cases} K_3, & s \in [0, T_0] \\ K_3 e^{-\delta s}, & s < 0 \end{cases}$$

and note that for  $t \geq 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
& K_2 + \\
& K_\alpha L \int_0^t (t-s)^{-\alpha} e^{-(\omega+\delta)(t-s)} \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{-(\omega+\delta)(s-\tau)} y(\tau) d\tau ds + N_1 N_2 K_\alpha \int_0^T (t-\mu)^{-\alpha} e^{-\omega(t-\mu)} \{K_2 + \\
& K_0 L \int_0^T (T-s)^{-\alpha} e^{-(\omega+\delta)(T-s)} \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{-(\nu+\delta)(s-\tau)} y(\tau) d\tau ds\}(\mu) d\mu \leq \\
& K_2 + K_\alpha L \Gamma(1-\alpha) \left(\frac{1}{\nu}\right) (\omega+\delta)^{\alpha-1} K_3 + N_1 N_2 K_\alpha \int_0^T (t-\mu)^\alpha e^{-\omega(t-\mu)} \{K_2 + K_\alpha L \Gamma(1-\alpha) \\
& \left(\frac{1}{\nu}\right) (\omega+\delta)^{\alpha-1} K_3\}(\mu) d\mu
\end{aligned}$$

Thus if  $\delta > 0$  is chosen large enough to ensure that

$$K_\alpha L \Gamma(1-\alpha) \left(\frac{1}{\nu}\right) (\omega+\delta)^{\alpha-1} < 1$$

and  $K_3$  is such that

$$K_3 > K_2 [1 - 3K_0 L \Gamma(1-\alpha) \left(\frac{1}{\nu}\right) (\omega+\delta)^{\alpha-1}]^{-1}$$

Then for suitable  $N_1, N_2$ , it follows that

$$\text{Sup}_{s \in [0, T_\alpha]} \|\Phi x(0)\| \leq K_3 e^{\delta t} = N_{,,}$$

Hence the result follows by applying Schauder's fixed point theorem to the mapping.

#### 4. Application

Consider the partial nonlinear integrodifferential equations

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + A(t, u, D)_x = \int_{-\infty}^t g(t, s) f(\nabla u) ds + B(v)(t) u(x, t) = 0 \quad (8)$$

$$(x, t) \in \partial\Omega \times \mathbb{R}$$

where  $A(t, u, D) = \sum_{|x| \leq 2} a_n(x, t) D^n$ . The operators  $A(t, x, D)$  are assumed to be uniformly elliptic. Thus there exists a constant  $C_0 > 0$  such that

$$-Re \sum a_n(x, t) \zeta^n \geq C_0 |\zeta|^2$$

where  $\Omega$  is a bounded domain in  $R^3$  with smooth boundary. The coefficients  $a_n(x, t)$  are smooth functions of  $(x, t) \in \Omega \times R^T$  and there exists constants  $C_3 > 0$  and  $\mu \in (0, 1)$  such that

$$|a_n(x, t) - a_n(x, \tau)| \leq C_2 |t - \tau|^\mu \text{ for } t, \tau > 0, x \in \Omega$$

Finally, stipulate that the coefficients  $a_n(\cdot): \bar{\Omega} \rightarrow R$  are such that

$$\lim_{C \rightarrow 0} \sup |a_n(x, t) - a_n(x)| = 0$$

The nonlinearity  $f(\cdot): R^3 \rightarrow R$  vanishes at zero and has the property that there exists a  $C_3 > 0$  satisfying

$$|f(u) - f(v)| \leq C_3 \sum_{i=1}^3 |u_i - v_i|$$

The function  $g(\cdot) : R^+ \rightarrow R$  is Lipschitz continuous. Moreover, there exists  $C_4 e^{-\nu s}$ , for  $s \in (-\infty, 0]$

Let  $X = L^2(\Omega)$ . A family of operators  $\{A(t) : t \geq 0\}$  is introduced on  $L^2(\Omega)$  by specifying  $D = D(A(t)) = H^2(\Omega) \cap H_0^1(\Omega)$  and letting  $A(t)u = A(t, x, D)u$  for  $u \in D$ .

If  $\alpha > 3/4$ , define  $g : R^+ \times R \times X_\alpha \rightarrow X$  by setting  $g(t, s, u) = g(t - s) f(\nabla u)$ ,

$X_\alpha$  will denote the interpolation space obtained from  $A^\alpha(0)$ . Suppose  $\phi \in C_2$  and identity  $u(x, t) = x(\phi)(x)$ , then (8) assumes the form of the function space integrodifferential equation

$$x(\phi) + Ax(\phi) = \int_{-\infty}^t f(t, s, x(\phi)) ds + Bu(t) \quad (9)$$

If  $\phi \in C(\alpha > 3/4)$  then from [6] there exists a unique function  $x(\phi) : B \rightarrow X$  which satisfies equation (9) and  $\|x(\phi) - x(\psi)\|_{0,\infty} \leq C \|x(\phi) - x(\psi)\|_\alpha$  for some  $C > 0$

This yields the solution and the system is controllable in  $J$ .

## 5. Conclusion

The results of this work go a long way to add new vent in the study of controllability. The controllability results for the linear and nonlinear systems add new impetus in the study of controllability especially with the use of a generalized fixed point theorem. The application of a bounded operator from Banach space provided a veritable tool for obtaining our results.

## 6. Recommendations

It is recommended that same works can be carried out with different fixed point theorems subject to imposed restrictions on the nonlinearity for a profound analysis and better choice of methods.

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