

# A Note on Boundary Controllability of Neutral Integrodifferential Systems in Banach Spaces

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**Abstract:** In this note we establish a set of sufficient conditions for boundary controllability of neutral integrodifferential systems in Banach spaces. The results are obtained by using the strongly continuous semigroup theory and the Sadovskii fixed point theorem.

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## 1. Introduction

The problem of controllability of nonlinear systems and integrodifferential systems including delay systems has been studied by many researchers [3]. Controllability of neutral functional integrodifferential systems in abstract spaces was studied by Balachandran et.al [1]. Fu [6,7] studied the controllability of neutral functional differential systems in abstract phase space with the help of the Sadovskii fixed point theorem. Motivation for neutral functional differential equations can be found in [9-11]. Several authors [4,5,16] have developed many abstract settings to describe the boundary control systems in which the control must be taken in sufficiently smooth functions for the existence of regular solutions to state space system. Lasiecka [13] established the regularity of optimal boundary control for parabolic equations. Recently Balachandran and Anandhi [2] discussed the boundary controllability of neutral integrodifferential systems in Banach spaces by means of Schaefer's fixed point theorem. The purpose of this note is to derive a set of sufficient conditions for the boundary controllability of neutral integrodifferential systems in phase space by using the Sadovskii fixed point theorem. These conditions are weaker than those conditions obtained in [2].

## 2. Preliminaries

Let  $E$  and  $U$  be a pair of real Banach spaces with the norms  $\|\cdot\|$  and  $\|\cdot\|_U$  respectively. Let  $\sigma$  be a linear, closed and densely defined operator with domain  $D(\sigma) \subseteq E$  and range  $R(\sigma) \subseteq E$  and let  $\tau$  be a linear operator with domain  $D(\tau) \subseteq E$  and range  $R(\tau) \subseteq X$ , a Banach space with norm  $\|\cdot\|_X$ .

Consider the boundary control neutral integrodifferential system of the form

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} [x(t) - h(t, x_t)] &= \sigma x(t) + f \left( t, x_t, \int_0^t g(t, s, x_s) ds \right), \\ \tau x(t) &= B_1 u(t), \quad t \in J = [0, b], \\ x_0 &= \phi \in \mathcal{B}, \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

where the control function  $u(\cdot)$  is in  $L^2(J, U)$ , a Banach space of admissible control functions,  $B_1 : U \rightarrow X$  is a linear continuous operator, the nonlinear operators  $f : J \times \mathcal{B} \times E \rightarrow E$ ,  $h : J \times \mathcal{B} \rightarrow E$  and  $g : \Delta \times \mathcal{B} \rightarrow E$  are continuous functions and  $\Delta = \{(t, s) : 0 \leq s \leq t \leq b\}$ ,  $\mathcal{B}$  is the phase space to be specified later.

Let  $A : E \rightarrow E$  be the infinitesimal generator of a strongly continuous semigroup of bounded linear operators  $T(t)$  with domain

$$D(A) = \{x \in D(\sigma); \tau x = 0\}, Ax = \sigma x, \quad \text{for } x \in D(A).$$

We shall make the following hypotheses:

(H<sub>1</sub>)  $D(\sigma) \subset D(\tau)$  and the restriction of  $\tau$  to  $D(\sigma)$  is continuous relative to the graph norm of  $D(\sigma)$ .

(H<sub>2</sub>) There exists a linear continuous operator  $B : U \rightarrow E$  such that

$$\sigma B \in L(U, E), \tau(Bu) = B_1 u,$$

for all  $u \in U$ . Also  $Bu(t)$  is continuously differentiable and  $\|Bu\| \leq C\|B_1 u\|_X$ , for all  $u \in U$ , where  $C$  is a constant.

(H<sub>3</sub>) For all  $t \in (0, b]$  and  $u \in U$ ,  $T(t)Bu \in D(A)$ . Moreover, there exists a positive function  $\gamma \in L^1(0, b)$  such that  $\|AT(t)B\|_{L(U, E)} \leq \gamma(t)$  almost everywhere for  $t \in (0, b)$ .

Let  $A : D(A) \rightarrow E$  be the infinitesimal generator of a compact analytic semigroup of uniformly bounded linear operators  $T(t)$  defined on a Banach space  $E$ . Let  $0 \in \rho(A)$ , the resolvent set of  $A$ , then we define the fractional power  $(-A)^\alpha$ , for  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ , as a closed linear operator on its domain  $D((-A)^\alpha)$  which is dense in  $E$ . Further  $D((-A)^\alpha)$  is a Banach space under the norm

$$\|x\|_\alpha = \|(-A)^\alpha x\|, \quad \text{for } x \in D((-A)^\alpha)$$

and is denoted by  $E_\alpha$ . The imbedding  $E_\alpha \hookrightarrow E_\beta$  for  $0 < \alpha < \beta \leq 1$  is compact whenever the resolvent operator of  $A$  is compact. For more results on fractional powers of operators, one can refer to [14].

We assume that the delay  $x_t : (-\infty, 0] \rightarrow E$  defined by  $x_t(\theta) = x(t + \theta)$  belong to some abstract phase space  $\mathcal{B}$ , which will be a linear space of functionals mapping  $(-\infty, 0]$  into  $E$  endowed with the seminorm  $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{B}}$  and satisfies the following axioms :[8,12]

(A1) If  $x : (-\infty, b) \rightarrow E$ ,  $b > 0$ , is continuous on  $[0, b]$  and  $x_0 \in \mathcal{B}$ , then, for every  $t \in [0, b]$ , the following conditions hold:

- (i)  $x_t$  is in  $\mathcal{B}$ ,
- (ii)  $\|x(t)\| \leq H \|x_t\|_{\mathcal{B}}$ ,
- (iii)  $\|x_t\|_{\mathcal{B}} \leq K(t) \sup\{\|x(s)\| : 0 \leq s \leq t\} + M(t) \|x_0\|_{\mathcal{B}}$ .

Here  $H \geq 0$  is a constant,  $K, M : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ ,  $K$  is continuous and  $M$  is locally bounded and  $H, K, M$  are independent of  $x(t)$ .

(A2) For the function  $x(\cdot)$  in (A1),  $x_t$  is a  $\mathcal{B}$ -valued continuous function on  $[0, b]$ .

(A3) The space  $\mathcal{B}$  is complete.

Let  $x(t)$  be the solution of (1). Then we can define a function  $z(t) = x(t) - Bu(t)$  and from our assumption, we see that  $z(t) \in D(A)$ . Hence (1) can be written in terms of  $A$  and  $B$  as

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} [x(t) - h(t, x_t)] &= Az(t) + \sigma Bu(t) + f \left( t, x_t, \int_0^t g(t, s, x_s) ds \right), \quad t \in J, \quad (2) \\ x(t) &= z(t) + Bu(t), \\ x_0 &= \phi. \end{aligned}$$

If  $u$  is continuously differentiable on  $[0, b]$ , then  $z$  can be defined as a mild solution to the Cauchy problem

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{z}(t) &= Az(t) + \frac{d}{dt} h(t, x_t) + \sigma Bu(t) - B\dot{u}(t) + f \left( t, x_t, \int_0^t g(t, s, x_s) ds \right), \\ z(0) &= \phi(0) - Bu(0) \end{aligned}$$

and the solution of (1) is given by

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= T(t)[\phi(0) - Bu(0)] + Bu(t) + \int_0^t T(t-s) \frac{d}{ds} h(s, x_s) ds \\ &\quad + \int_0^t T(t-s) \left[ \sigma Bu(s) - B\dot{u}(s) + f \left( s, x_s, \int_0^s g(s, \tau, x_\tau) d\tau \right) \right] ds. \quad (3) \end{aligned}$$

Since the differentiability of the control  $u$  represents an unrealistic and severe requirement, it is necessary to extend the concept of the solution for the general inputs

$u \in L^1(J, U)$ . Integrating (3) by parts, we get

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= T(t)[\phi(0) - h(0, \phi)] + h(t, x_t) + \int_0^t AT(t-s)h(s, x_s)ds \\ &\quad + \int_0^t [T(t-s)\sigma - AT(t-s)]Bu(s)ds \\ &\quad + \int_0^t T(t-s)f\left(s, x_s, \int_0^s g(s, \tau, x_\tau)d\tau\right)ds. \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

Thus (4) is well defined and it is called a mild solution of the system (1).

We say the system (1) is said to be *null controllable* on the interval  $J$  if for every  $\phi \in \mathcal{B}$ , there exists a control  $u \in L^2(J, U)$  such that  $x(\cdot)$  of (1) satisfies  $x(b) = 0$ .

In order to establish our results we need the following fixed point theorem due to Sadovskii [15].

**Sadovskii's Theorem:** Let  $P$  be a condensing operator on a Banach space  $X$ , that is,  $P$  is continuous and takes bounded sets into bounded sets, and  $\alpha(P(B)) < \alpha(B)$  for every bounded set  $B$  of  $X$  with  $\alpha(B) > 0$ . If  $P(H) \subset H$  for a convex, closed and bounded set  $H$  of  $X$ , then  $P$  has a fixed point in  $H$  (where  $\alpha(\cdot)$  denotes Kuratowski's measure of non-compactness).

Further we make the following assumptions:

( $H_4$ )  $A$  is the infinitesimal generator of an analytic semigroup of compact linear operators  $T(t)$  on  $E$  such that  $\|T(t)\| \leq K_1$  for some  $K_1 > 0$  and for any  $\alpha \geq 0$ , there exists a positive constant  $K_2(\alpha) > 0$  such that

$$\|(-A)^\alpha T(t)\| \leq K_2 t^{-\alpha}. \quad (5)$$

( $H_5$ )  $h : J \times \mathcal{B} \rightarrow E$  is a continuous function and there exist constants  $\beta \in (0, 1)$  and  $L_1, L_2 > 0$  such that the Lipschitz condition

$$\|(-A)^\beta h(s_1, \phi_1) - (-A)^\beta h(s_2, \phi_2)\| \leq L_1 [|s_1 - s_2| + \|\phi_1 - \phi_2\|_{\mathcal{B}}]$$

is satisfied for  $0 \leq s_1, s_2 \leq b, \phi_1, \phi_2 \in \mathcal{B}$ , and that the inequality

$$\|(-A)^\beta h(t, \phi)\| \leq L_2 [\|\phi\|_{\mathcal{B}} + 1] \quad (6)$$

holds for  $t \in J, \phi \in \mathcal{B}$ .

( $H_6$ ) The function  $g : \Delta \times \mathcal{B} \rightarrow E$  is a continuous function such that there is a positive function  $a \in L^1([0, t])$  such that

$$\|g(t, s, x_s)\| \leq a(t, s)\|x\|_{\mathcal{B}} \text{ and } \delta = \sup_{t \in J} \int_0^t a(t, s)ds.$$

(H<sub>7</sub>) The function  $f : J \times \mathcal{B} \times E \rightarrow E$  satisfies the following conditions:

- (i) For each  $t \in J$ , the function  $f(t, \cdot, \cdot) : \mathcal{B} \times E \rightarrow E$  is continuous and for each  $(\phi, x) \in \mathcal{B} \times E$  the function  $f(\cdot, \phi, x) : J \rightarrow E$  is strongly measurable.
- (ii) For each positive integer  $k$ , there exists  $\mu_k \in L^1(0, b)$  such that

$$\sup_{\|x\|_{\mathcal{B}}, \|y\| \leq k} \|f(t, x, y)\| \leq \mu_k(t) \text{ and } \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{k} \int_0^b \mu_k(s) ds = \gamma < \infty.$$

(H<sub>8</sub>) There exist constants  $M_1, M_2 > 0$  such that  $\|\sigma B\|_{L(U, E)} \leq M_1$  and  $\int_0^b \gamma(t) dt \leq M_2$ .

(H<sub>9</sub>) The linear operator  $W$  from  $L^2(J, U)$  into  $E$  defined by

$$Wu = \int_0^b [T(b-s)\sigma - AT(b-s)]Bu(s)ds$$

induces a bounded invertible operator  $\tilde{W}$  defined on  $L^2(J, U)/\ker W$  and there exists a positive constant  $M_3 > 0$  such that  $\|\tilde{W}^{-1}\| \leq M_3$ .

Let  $y(\cdot) : (-\infty, b) \rightarrow E$  be the function defined by

$$y(t) = \begin{cases} T(t)\phi(0), & 0 \leq t \leq b, \\ \phi(t), & -\infty < t < 0, \end{cases}$$

then  $y_0 = \phi$  and the map  $t \rightarrow y_t$  is continuous. Take  $N = \sup\{\|y_t\|_{\mathcal{B}} : 0 \leq t \leq b\}$ .

For simplicity, let us take  $M_0 = \|(-A)^{-\beta}\|$ ,  $K_b = \sup\{K(t) : 0 \leq t \leq b\}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} L^* &= L_1 K_b \left( M_0 + \frac{K_2 b^\beta}{\beta} \right) \text{ and} \\ M^* &= [1 + bK_1 M_1 M_3 + M_2 M_3] \left( M_0 L_2 (N+1) + (N+1) K_2 L_2 \frac{b^\beta}{\beta} \right) \\ &\quad + (K_1 \|\phi(0) - h(0, \phi)\|)(bK_1 M_1 M_3 + M_2 M_3) + K_1 \|h(0, \phi)\|. \end{aligned}$$

(H<sub>10</sub>) Further assume that

$$L^* < 1 \tag{7}$$

and

$$(1 + bK_1 M_1 M_3 + M_2 M_3) \left[ L_2 K_b \left( M_0 + \frac{K_2 b^\beta}{\beta} \right) + K_1 K_b (1 + \delta) \gamma \right] < 1. \tag{8}$$

### 3. Main Results

**Theorem 3.1:** If the assumptions  $(H_1) - (H_{10})$  are satisfied and  $\phi \in \mathcal{B}$ , then the boundary control neutral integrodifferential system (1) is null controllable on the interval  $J$ .

**Proof:** Using the assumption  $(H_9)$ , for an arbitrary function  $x(\cdot)$  define the control

$$\begin{aligned} u(t) = & -\tilde{W}^{-1} \left\{ T(b)[\phi(0) - h(0, \phi)] + h(b, x_b) + \int_0^b AT(b-s)h(s, x_s)ds \right. \\ & \left. + \int_0^b T(b-s)f \left( s, x_s, \int_0^s g(s, \tau, x_\tau)d\tau \right) ds \right\}(t). \end{aligned}$$

It shall be shown that when using this control the operator  $S$  defined by

$$\begin{aligned} (Sx)(t) = & T(t)[\phi(0) - h(0, \phi)] + h(t, x_t) + \int_0^t AT(t-s)h(s, x_s)ds \\ & + \int_0^t [T(t-s)\sigma - AT(t-s)]Bu(s)ds \\ & + \int_0^t T(t-s)f \left( s, x_s, \int_0^s g(s, \tau, x_\tau)d\tau \right) ds, \quad 0 \leq t \leq b, \end{aligned}$$

has a fixed point  $x(\cdot)$ . Then  $x(\cdot)$  is a mild solution of system (1), and it is easy to verify that

$$x(b) = (Sx)(b) = 0,$$

which implies that the system is null controllable.

Next we will prove that the operator  $S$  has a fixed point.

For each  $z \in C(J; E)$  with  $z(0) = 0$ , we denote by  $\bar{z}$  the function defined by

$$\bar{z}(t) = \begin{cases} z(t), & 0 \leq t \leq b, \\ 0, & -\infty < t < 0. \end{cases}$$

If  $x(\cdot)$  satisfies (4), we can decompose it as  $x(t) = z(t) + y(t)$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq b$ , which implies that  $x_t = \bar{z}_t + y_t$ , for every  $0 \leq t \leq b$ , and the function  $z(\cdot)$  satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} z(t) = & -T(t)h(0, \phi) + h(t, \bar{z}_t + y_t) + \int_0^t AT(t-s)h(s, \bar{z}_s + y_s)ds \\ & + \int_0^t T(t-s)\sigma Bu(s)ds - \int_0^t AT(t-s)Bu(s)ds \\ & + \int_0^t T(t-s)f \left( s, \bar{z}_s + y_s, \int_0^s g(s, \tau, \bar{z}_\tau + y_\tau)d\tau \right) ds. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $P$  be the operator on  $C(J; E)$  defined by

$$(Pz)(t) = -T(t)h(0, \phi) + h(t, \bar{z}_t + y_t) + \int_0^t AT(t-s)h(s, \bar{z}_s + y_s)ds$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \int_0^t T(t-s) \sigma B u(s) ds - \int_0^t A T(t-s) B u(s) ds \\
& + \int_0^t T(t-s) f \left( s, \bar{z}_s + y_s, \int_0^s g(s, \tau, \bar{z}_\tau + y_\tau) d\tau \right) ds.
\end{aligned}$$

Obviously the operator  $S$  has a fixed point if and only if  $P$  has a fixed point, so we have to prove that  $P$  has a fixed point.

For each positive integer  $k$ , let

$$B_k = \{z \in C(J; E) : z(0) = 0, \|z(t)\| \leq k, 0 \leq t \leq b\},$$

then  $B_k$ , for each  $k$ , is a bounded closed convex set in  $C(J; E)$ . Since by (5) and (6) the following relation holds

$$\begin{aligned}
\|AT(t-s)h(s, \bar{z}_s + y_s)\| & \leq \|(-A)^{1-\beta}T(t-s)(-A)^\beta h(s, \bar{z}_s + y_s)\| \\
& \leq K_2 L_2 (t-s)^{\beta-1} [k K_b + N + 1],
\end{aligned}$$

then it follows that  $AT(t-s)h(s, \bar{z}_s + y_s)$  is integrable on  $[0, t]$ , so  $P$  is well defined on  $B_k$ . We claim that there exists a positive integer  $k$  such that  $PB_k \subseteq B_k$ . If it is not true, then for each positive integer  $k$ , there is a function  $z_k \in B_k$ , but  $Pz_k \notin B_k$ , that is,  $\|Pz_k(t)\| > k$  for some  $t \in [0, b]$ . However, on the other hand, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
k & \leq \|(Pz_k)(t)\| \\
& \leq \left\| -T(t)h(0, \phi) + h(t, \bar{z}_{k,t} + y_t) + \int_0^t AT(t-s)h(s, \bar{z}_{k,s} + y_s) ds \right. \\
& \quad + \int_0^t [T(t-s)\sigma B - AT(t-s)B] \tilde{W}^{-1} \left\{ -T(b)[\phi(0) - h(0, \phi)] \right. \\
& \quad - h(b, \bar{z}_{k,b} + y_b) - \int_0^b AT(b-s)h(s, \bar{z}_{k,s} + y_s) ds \\
& \quad \left. - \int_0^b T(b-s)f \left( s, \bar{z}_{k,s} + y_s, \int_0^s g(s, \tau, \bar{z}_{k,\tau} + y_\tau) d\tau \right) ds \right\}(s) ds \\
& \quad + \int_0^t T(t-s)f \left( s, \bar{z}_{k,s} + y_s, \int_0^s g(s, \tau, \bar{z}_{k,\tau} + y_\tau) d\tau \right) ds \right\| \\
& \leq K_1 \|h(0, \phi)\| + \|h(t, \bar{z}_{k,t} + y_t)\| + \int_0^t \|AT(t-s)h(s, \bar{z}_{k,s} + y_s)\| ds \\
& \quad + \int_0^t [K_1 M_1 + \gamma(t-s)] M_3 \left\{ K_1 \|\phi(0) - h(0, \phi)\| + \|h(b, \bar{z}_{k,b} + y_b)\| \right. \\
& \quad + \int_0^b \|AT(b-s)h(s, \bar{z}_{k,s} + y_s)\| ds \\
& \quad \left. + K_1 \int_0^b \|f \left( s, \bar{z}_{k,s} + y_s, \int_0^s g(s, \tau, \bar{z}_{k,\tau} + y_\tau) d\tau \right)\| ds \right\} ds \\
& \quad + K_1 \int_0^t \|f \left( s, \bar{z}_{k,s} + y_s, \int_0^s g(s, \tau, \bar{z}_{k,\tau} + y_\tau) d\tau \right)\| ds.
\end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\| \int_0^t AT(t-s)h(s, \bar{z}_{k,s} + y_s) ds \| \leq \| \int_0^t (-A)^{1-\beta}T(t-s)(-A)^\beta h(s, \bar{z}_{k,s} + y_s) ds \|$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq \int_0^t \frac{K_2}{(t-s)^{1-\beta}} L_2(\|\bar{z}_{k,s} + y_s\|_{\mathcal{B}} + 1) ds \\
&\leq \frac{1}{\beta} K_2 L_2 b^\beta (k K_b + N + 1)
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\int_0^t \|f\left(s, \bar{z}_{k,s} + y_s, \int_0^s g(s, \tau, \bar{z}_{k,\tau} + y_\tau) d\tau\right)\| ds \leq \int_0^b \mu_{k^*}(s) ds$$

where  $k^* = (1 + \delta)(k K_b + N)$ , there holds

$$\begin{aligned}
k &\leq K_1 \|h(0, \phi)\| + M_0 L_2(k K_b + N + 1) + \frac{1}{\beta} b^\beta K_2 L_2(k K_b + N + 1) \\
&\quad + (b K_1 M_1 + M_2) M_3 \left\{ K_1 \|\phi(0) - h(0, \phi)\| + M_0 L_2(k K_b + N + 1) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \frac{1}{\beta} b^\beta K_2 L_2(k K_b + N + 1) + K_1 \int_0^b \mu_{k^*}(\tau) d\tau \right\} + K_1 \int_0^b \mu_{k^*}(s) ds \\
&\leq M^* + M_0 L_2 k K_b [1 + b K_1 M_1 M_3 + M_2 M_3] \\
&\quad + K_2 L_2 k K_b \frac{b^\beta}{\beta} [1 + b K_1 M_1 M_3 + M_2 M_3] \\
&\quad + K_1 \int_0^b \mu_{k^*}(s) ds [1 + b K_1 M_1 M_3 + M_2 M_3] \\
&\leq M^* + (1 + b K_1 M_1 M_3 + M_2 M_3) \left( M_0 L_2 k K_b + K_2 L_2 k K_b \frac{b^\beta}{\beta} + K_1 \int_0^b \mu_{k^*}(s) ds \right).
\end{aligned}$$

Dividing on both sides by  $k$  and taking the lower limit, we get

$$(1 + b K_1 M_1 M_3 + M_2 M_3) \left[ L_2 K_b \left( M_0 + \frac{K_2 b^\beta}{\beta} \right) + K_1 K_b (1 + \delta) \gamma \right] \geq 1.$$

This contradicts (8). Hence  $PB_k \subseteq B_k$ , for some positive number  $k$ .

Now define the operators  $P_1, P_2$  on  $B_k$  by

$$\begin{aligned}
(P_1 z)(t) &= -T(t)h(0, \phi) + h(t, \bar{z}_t + y_t) + \int_0^t AT(t-s)h(s, \bar{z}_s + y_s) ds \\
&\text{and} \\
(P_2 z)(t) &= \int_0^t (T(t-s)\sigma - AT(t-s))Bu(s) ds \\
&\quad + \int_0^t T(t-s)f\left(s, \bar{z}_s + y_s, \int_0^s g(s, \tau, \bar{z}_\tau + y_\tau) d\tau\right) ds,
\end{aligned}$$

for  $0 \leq t \leq b$ , respectively. We will show that  $P_1$  is a contraction mapping and  $P_2$  is a compact operator.

To prove that  $P_1$  is a contraction, we take  $z_1, z_2 \in B_k$ , then for each  $t \in [0, b]$  and by (A1 (iii)) and  $(H_5)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\|(P_1 z_1)(t) - (P_1 z_2)(t)\| &\leq \|h(t, \bar{z}_{1,t} + y_t) - h(t, \bar{z}_{2,t} + y_t)\| \\
&\quad + \left\| \int_0^t AT(t-s) [h(s, \bar{z}_{1,s} + y_s) - h(s, \bar{z}_{2,s} + y_s)] ds \right\| \\
&\leq M_0 L_1 \|\bar{z}_{1,t} - \bar{z}_{2,t}\|_{\mathcal{B}} + \int_0^t K_2(t-s)^{\beta-1} L_1 \|\bar{z}_{1,s} - \bar{z}_{2,s}\|_{\mathcal{B}} ds \\
&\leq \left( M_0 L_1 K_b + K_2 L_1 K_b \frac{b^\beta}{\beta} \right) \sup_{0 \leq s \leq b} \|z_1(s) - z_2(s)\| \\
&\leq L_1 K_b \left( M_0 + K_2 \frac{b^\beta}{\beta} \right) \sup_{0 \leq s \leq b} \|z_1(s) - z_2(s)\| \\
&\leq L^* \sup_{0 \leq s \leq b} \|z_1(s) - z_2(s)\|.
\end{aligned}$$

Thus  $P_1$  satisfies contraction condition with  $L^* < 1$  by (7).

To prove that  $P_2$  is compact, first we prove that  $P_2$  is continuous on  $B_k$ . Let  $\{z_n\} \subseteq B_k$  with  $z_n \rightarrow z$  in  $B_k$ , then for each  $s \in [0, b]$ ,  $\bar{z}_{n,s} \rightarrow \bar{z}_s$  and by  $(H_7)$  (i), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
&f \left( s, \bar{z}_{n,s} + y_s, \int_0^s g(s, \tau, \bar{z}_{n,\tau} + y_\tau) d\tau \right) \\
&\rightarrow f \left( s, \bar{z}_s + y_s, \int_0^s g(s, \tau, \bar{z}_\tau + y_\tau) d\tau \right) \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.
\end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned}
&\left\| f \left( s, \bar{z}_{n,s} + y_s, \int_0^s g(s, \tau, \bar{z}_{n,\tau} + y_\tau) d\tau \right) - f \left( s, \bar{z}_s + y_s, \int_0^s g(s, \tau, \bar{z}_\tau + y_\tau) d\tau \right) \right\| \\
&\leq 2\mu_{k^*}(s),
\end{aligned}$$

then by the continuity of  $(-A)^\beta g$  and the dominated convergence theorem we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\|P_2 z_n - P_2 z\| &= \sup_{0 \leq t \leq b} \left\| \int_0^t (T(t-s)\sigma - AT(t-s)) B[u_n(s) - u(s)] ds \right. \\
&\quad + \int_0^t T(t-s) \left[ f \left( s, \bar{z}_{n,s} + y_s, \int_0^s g(s, \tau, \bar{z}_{n,\tau} + y_\tau) d\tau \right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. - f \left( s, \bar{z}_s + y_s, \int_0^s g(s, \tau, \bar{z}_\tau + y_\tau) d\tau \right) \right] ds \right\| \\
&\rightarrow 0, \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty,
\end{aligned}$$

that is,  $P_2$  is continuous.

Next we show that the family  $\{P_2 z : z \in B_k\}$  is an equicontinuous family of functions. Let  $z \in B_k$  and  $t_1, t_2 \in J$ . Then if  $0 < t_1 < t_2 \leq b$ ,

$$\|(P_2 z)(t_1) - (P_2 z)(t_2)\|$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \left\| \int_0^{t_1} T(t_1 - s) \sigma B u(s) ds - \int_0^{t_1} A T(t_1 - s) B u(s) ds \right. \\
&\quad + \int_0^{t_1} T(t_1 - s) f \left( s, \bar{z}_s + y_s, \int_0^s g(s, \tau, \bar{z}_\tau + y_\tau) d\tau \right) ds \\
&\quad - \int_0^{t_2} T(t_2 - s) \sigma B u(s) ds + \int_0^{t_2} A T(t_2 - s) B u(s) ds \\
&\quad \left. - \int_0^{t_2} T(t_2 - s) f \left( s, \bar{z}_s + y_s, \int_0^s g(s, \tau, \bar{z}_\tau + y_\tau) d\tau \right) ds \right\| \\
&\leq \int_0^{t_1} \left\| (T(t_1 - s) - T(t_2 - s)) \sigma B u(s) \right\| ds + \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \|T(t_2 - s) \sigma B u(s)\| ds \\
&\quad + \int_0^{t_1} \|A(T(t_1 - s) - T(t_2 - s)) B u(s)\| ds + \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \|A T(t_2 - s) B u(s)\| ds \\
&\quad + \int_0^{t_1} \left\| (T(t_1 - s) - T(t_2 - s)) f \left( s, \bar{z}_s + y_s, \int_0^s g(s, \tau, \bar{z}_\tau + y_\tau) d\tau \right) \right\| ds \\
&\quad + \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \left\| T(t_2 - s) f \left( s, \bar{z}_s + y_s, \int_0^s g(s, \tau, \bar{z}_\tau + y_\tau) d\tau \right) \right\| ds.
\end{aligned}$$

Observe that

$$\begin{aligned}
\|u(s)\| &\leq \|\tilde{W}^{-1}\| \left\{ K_1 \|\phi(0) - h(0, \phi)\| + \|(-A)^{-\beta}\| \|(-A)^\beta h(b, \bar{z}_b + y_b)\| \right. \\
&\quad + \int_0^b \|(-A)^{1-\beta} T(b-s)\| \|(-A)^\beta h(s, \bar{z}_s + y_s)\| ds \\
&\quad \left. + \int_0^b \|T(b-s)\| \|f \left( s, \bar{z}_s + y_s, \int_0^s g(s, \tau, \bar{z}_\tau + y_\tau) d\tau \right)\| ds \right\} \\
&\leq M_3 \left\{ K_1 \|\phi(0) - h(0, \phi)\| + M_0 L_2 (k K_b + N + 1) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + K_2 L_2 (k K_b + N + 1) \frac{b^\beta}{\beta} + K_1 \int_0^b \mu_{k^*}(s) ds \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

and  $\mu_{k^*}(s) \in L^1$ . We see that

$$\begin{aligned}
&\|(P_2 z)(t_1) - (P_2 z)(t_2)\| \\
&\leq \int_0^{t_1} \|T(t_1 - s) - T(t_2 - s)\| M_1 M_3 \left\{ K_1 \|\phi(0) - h(0, \phi)\| + M_0 L_2 (k K_b + N + 1) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + K_2 L_2 (k K_b + N + 1) \frac{b^\beta}{\beta} + K_1 \int_0^b \mu_{k^*}(s) ds \right\} ds \\
&\quad + \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \|T(t_2 - s)\| M_1 M_3 \left\{ K_1 \|\phi(0) - h(0, \phi)\| + M_0 L_2 (k K_b + N + 1) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + K_2 L_2 (k K_b + N + 1) \frac{b^\beta}{\beta} + K_1 \int_0^b \mu_{k^*}(s) ds \right\} ds \\
&\quad + \int_0^{t_1} \|A(T(t_1 - s) - T(t_2 - s)) B\| M_3 \left\{ K_1 \|\phi(0) - h(0, \phi)\| + M_0 L_2 (k K_b + N + 1) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + K_2 L_2 (k K_b + N + 1) \frac{b^\beta}{\beta} + K_1 \int_0^b \mu_{k^*}(s) ds \right\} ds
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \|AT(t_2 - s)B\| M_3 \left\{ K_1 \|\phi(0) - h(0, \phi)\| + M_0 L_2 (kK_b + N + 1) \right. \\
& \quad \left. + K_2 L_2 (kK_b + N + 1) \frac{b^\beta}{\beta} + K_1 \int_0^b \mu_{k^*}(s) ds \right\} ds \\
& + \int_0^{t_1} \|T(t_1 - s) - T(t_2 - s)\| \mu_{k^*}(s) ds + \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \|T(t_2 - s)\| \mu_{k^*}(s) ds,
\end{aligned}$$

tends to zero independent of  $z \in B_k$  as  $t_1 \rightarrow t_2$ , since the compactness of  $T(t)$  implies the continuity of  $T(t)$  in  $t$  in the uniform operator topology (see page 202-203, [10]). Hence  $P_2$  maps  $B_k$  into an equicontinuous family of functions.

It remains to prove that  $V(t) = \{(P_2 z)(t) : z \in B_k\}$  is relatively compact in  $E$ . Let  $0 < t \leq b$  be fixed,  $0 < \epsilon < t$ , for  $z \in B_k$ , we define

$$\begin{aligned}
(P_{2,\epsilon} z)(t) &= \int_0^{t-\epsilon} T(t-s) \sigma B u(s) ds - \int_0^{t-\epsilon} AT(t-s) B u(s) ds \\
&\quad + \int_0^{t-\epsilon} T(t-s) f \left( s, \bar{z}_s + y_s, \int_0^s g(s, \tau, \bar{z}_\tau + y_\tau) d\tau \right) ds \\
&= T(\epsilon) \int_0^{t-\epsilon} T(t-s-\epsilon) \sigma B u(s) ds - T(\epsilon) \int_0^{t-\epsilon} AT(t-s-\epsilon) B u(s) ds \\
&\quad + T(\epsilon) \int_0^{t-\epsilon} T(t-s-\epsilon) f \left( s, \bar{z}_s + y_s, \int_0^s g(s, \tau, \bar{z}_\tau + y_\tau) d\tau \right) ds.
\end{aligned}$$

Using the estimation of  $\|u(s)\|$  and by the compactness of  $T(t)$  we prove  $V_\epsilon(t) = \{(P_{2,\epsilon} z)(t) : z \in B_k\}$  is relatively compact in  $E$  for every  $\epsilon, 0 < \epsilon < t$ . Moreover, for every  $z \in B_k$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \|(P_2 z)(t) - (P_{2,\epsilon} z)(t)\| \\
& \leq \int_{t-\epsilon}^t \|T(t-s) \sigma B u(s)\| ds + \int_{t-\epsilon}^t \|AT(t-s) B u(s)\| ds \\
& \quad + \int_{t-\epsilon}^t \|T(t-s) f \left( s, \bar{z}_s + y_s, \int_0^s g(s, \tau, \bar{z}_\tau + y_\tau) d\tau \right)\| ds \\
& \leq \int_{t-\epsilon}^t \|T(t-s)\| M_1 M_3 \left[ K_1 \|\phi(0) - h(0, \phi)\| + \|h(b, \bar{z}_b + y_b)\| \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \int_0^b \|AT(b-s) h(s, \bar{z}_s + y_s)\| ds + \int_0^b \|T(b-s)\| \mu_{k^*}(s) ds \right] ds \\
& \quad + \int_{t-\epsilon}^t \|AT(t-s) B\| M_3 \left[ K_1 \|\phi(0) - h(0, \phi)\| + \|h(b, \bar{z}_b + y_b)\| \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \int_0^b \|AT(b-s) h(s, \bar{z}_s + y_s)\| ds + \int_0^b \|T(b-s)\| \mu_{k^*}(s) ds \right] ds \\
& \quad + \int_{t-\epsilon}^t \|T(t-s)\| \mu_{k^*}(s) ds.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore there are relatively compact sets arbitrarily close to the set  $V(t) = \{(P_2 z)(t) : z \in B_k\}$ , and hence the set  $V(t)$  is also relatively compact in  $E$ .

Thus by the Arzela-Ascoli theorem  $P_2$  is a compact operator. These arguments show that  $P = P_1 + P_2$  is a condensing mapping on  $B_k$ , and by the Sadovskii fixed point theorem [15] there exists a fixed point  $z(\cdot)$  for  $P$  on  $B_k$ . If we define  $x(t) = z(t) + y(t)$ ,  $-\infty < t \leq b$ , then it is easy to see that  $x(\cdot)$  is a mild solution of (1) satisfying  $x_0 = \phi$ ,  $x(b) = 0$ . Hence the system (1) is null controllable on  $J$ .

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