BOUNDARY CONTROLLABILITY OF SEMILINEAR NEUTRAL EVOLUTION SYSTEMS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we investigate the boundary control of semilinear neutral evolution systems with a nonlocal condition by using the Banach fixed point theorem.

1. Introduction

Let E and U be Banach spaces with norms $\|\cdot\|$ and $|\cdot|$, respectively. Let σ be a linear closed and densely defined operator in E and let τ be a linear operator with domain in E and range in some Banach space X.

We consider the following boundary control of semilinear neutral evolution systems with nonlocal condition:

(1.1)
$$\frac{d}{dt}[y(t) + g(t, y(t))] = \sigma y(t) + f(t, y(t)), \quad t \in [0, T],$$
$$\tau y(t) = B_1 u(t),$$
$$y(0) + h(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_p, y(\cdot)) = y_0,$$

where $0 < t_1 < t_2 < \cdots < t_p \leq T$. The operator $B_1 : U \to X$ is a linear continuous operator, the control function $u \in L^1(0,T;U)$, a Banach space of admissible control functions with $U, f : [0,T] \times E \to E$ and $h : [0,T]^p \times E \to E$ are given functions. The symbol $h(t_1, t_2, \ldots, t_p, y(\cdot))$ is used in the sense that in the place of \cdot we can substitute only elements of the set $\{t_1, t_2, \ldots, t_p\}$. For example, $h(t_1, t_2, \ldots, t_p, y(\cdot))$ can be defined by the formula

$$h(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_p, y(\cdot)) = c_1 y(t_1) + c_2 y(t_2) + \dots + c_p y(t_p),$$

where c_i (i = 1, 2, ..., p) are given constants.

Dauer and Mahmudov [4] proved the existence of mild solutions to semilinear neutral evolution equations with nonlocal conditions. Benchohra and Ntouyes [3] consider the nonlocal Cauchy problems for neutral functional differential and integrodifferential inclusions in Banach spaces. Han and Park [5]

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studied the boundary controllability of semilinear systems with nonlocal condition. Balachandran and Anandhi [1] investigated the boundary controllability of delay integrodifferential systems in Banach space. Recently, Balachandran, Anandhi and Dauer [2] established the sufficient conditions for the boundary controllability of various types of nonlinear Sobolev-type systems including integrodifferential systems in Banach spaces.

The purpose of this paper is to study the boundary control of semilinear neutral evolution systems with nonlocal condition (1.1). This paper is organized as follows: In Section 2 we give some notations, hypotheses and definitions. In Section 3 we state the main result. In Section 4 we give some applications to illustrate our result.

2. Preliminaries

In this section, we describe necessary notations, hypotheses and definitions for the proof of the main theorem.

Let $A: E \to E$ be the linear operator defined by

 $D(A) = \{y \in D(\sigma) : \tau y = 0\}, \quad Ay = \sigma y \text{ for } y \in D(A).$

For the existence of a solution of (1.1), we need the following hypotheses:

(**H**₁) $D(\sigma) \subset D(\tau)$ and the restriction of τ to $D(\sigma)$ is continuous relative to graph norm of $D(\sigma)$.

(**H**₂) The operator A is the infinitesimal generator of a C_0 -semigroup S(t), $t \ge 0$, satisfying $||S(t)||_{L(E)} \le L_1$ and $||AS(t)||_{L(E)} \le L_2$.

 $(\mathbf{H_3})$ There exists a linear continuous operator $B: U \to E$ such that

 $\sigma B \in L(U, E), \quad \tau(Bu) = B_1 u \quad \text{for all} \quad u \in U,$

Bu is continuously differentiable,

 $||Bu|| \le C ||B_1u||_X \quad \text{for all} \quad u \in U,$

where C is some positive constant.

 $(\mathbf{H_4})$ For all $t \in [0, T]$ and $u \in U$, $S(t)Bu \in D(A)$. Moreover, there exists a positive function $\gamma \in L^1(0, T)$ such that

$$||AS(t)B||_{L(U,E)} \le \gamma(t)$$
 a.e. $t \in (0,T)$.

 (\mathbf{H}_5) The linear operator $W: L^2(J,U)/\mathrm{Ker}(W) \to E$ defined by

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

has an invertible operator \widetilde{W}^{-1} defined on $L^2(J,U)/\text{Ker }W$ and there exists $L_3 > 0$ such that $||W^{-1}|| \leq L_3$.

 $(\mathbf{H_6})$ The function $f:[0,T]\times E\to E$ is continuous in t and there exists a constant $L_4>0$ such that

$$||f(t,y) - f(t,z)|| \le L_4 ||y - z||$$

for $t \in [0, T]$, $y, z \in B_r$, where $B_r = \{y : ||y|| \le r\} \subset E$.

 (\mathbf{H}_7) The function $g: [0,T] \times E \to E$ is continuous in t and there exist constants $L_5, L_6 > 0$ such that

$$||g(t,y) - g(t,z)|| \le L_5 ||y - z||,$$

$$||g(t,y)|| \le L_6 ||y||$$

for $t \in [0, T]$ and $y, z \in B_r$.

 $(\mathbf{H_8})$ The function $h:[0,T]^p\times E\to E$ and there exists a constant $L_7>0$ such that

$$||h(t_1, \dots, t_p, z_1(\cdot)) - h(t_1, \dots, t_p, z_2(\cdot))|| \le L_7 \sup_{t \in [0,T]} ||z_1(t) - z_2(t)||$$

for $z_1, z_2 \in C([0, T]; B_r)$.

In terms A and B the system (1.1) can be written as follows:

(2.1)
$$\frac{d}{dt}[y(t) + g(t, y(t))] = Az(t) + \sigma Bu(t) + f(t, y(t)), \quad t \in [0, T],$$
$$y(t) = z(t) + Bu(t),$$
$$y(0) + h(t_1, \dots, t_p, y(\cdot)) = y_0.$$

If u is continuously differentiable on [0, T], then z can be defined as a mild solution to the following problem:

$$\frac{d}{dt}[z(t) + g(t, y(t))] = Az(t) + \sigma Bu(t) - Bu'(t) + f(t, y(t)),$$
$$z(0) = y_0 - h(t_1, \dots, t_p, y(0)) - Bu(0).$$

Thus, in this way we may define the solution y to the system (1.1) by the variation of constant formula

(2.2)

$$y(t) = S(t)[y_0 - h(t_1, \dots, t_p, y(\cdot)) - Bu(0) + g(0, y_0)] + Bu(t) - \int_0^t AS(t-s)g(s, y(s))ds + \int_0^t S(t-s)[\sigma Bu(s) - Bu'(s) + f(s, y(s))]ds.$$

Because the differentiability of the controller u represents an unrealistic and severe requirement, we are led to extend the concept of the solution to (1.1) for the general inputs $u \in L^2(0,T;U)$. Integrating by parts in (2.2) with hypothesis (H_4) we obtain

(2.3)

$$y(t) = S(t)[y_0 - h(t_1, \dots, t_p, y(\cdot)) + g(0, y_0)] - \int_0^t AS(t - s)g(s, y(s))ds - \int_0^t AS(t - s)Bu(s)ds + \int_0^t S(t - s)(\sigma Bu(s) + f(s, y(s)))ds,$$

which is well defined. In addition, it is called a mild solution of the system (1.1).

Definition 2.1. The system (1.1) is said to be controllable on the interval [0,T] if for every y_0 , $a \in E$, there exists a control $u \in L^2([0,T];U)$ such that the solution $y(\cdot)$ of (1.1) satisfies y(T) = a.

Define the linear operator W from $L^2(J, U)$ into E by

$$Wu = \int_0^T [AS(T-s) - S(T-s)\sigma] Bu(s) ds,$$

then we can check that the operator W is well defined. We desire to transfer the nonlinear system (2.1) from $y(0) = y_0 - h(t_1, \ldots, t_p, y(\cdot))$ to y(T) = a.

3. A main result

Theorem 3.1. If the hypotheses (H_1) - (H_8) , then the system (1.1) is controllable on [0,T] provided

$$L_1L_7 + L_1L_4T + L_2L_5T + (L_2 + L_1 \|\sigma\|) \|B\| L_3$$

$$\{L_7T + L_2L_5T + L_1L_4T\} = k, \quad 0 < k < 1.$$

Proof. Using the invertible operator \widetilde{W} , for arbitrary function $y(\cdot)$ we define the control

$$u(t) = \widetilde{W}^{-1} \bigg\{ a - S(T)[y_0 - h(t_1, \dots, t_p, y(\cdot)) + g(0, y_0)] \\ + \int_0^T AS(T - s)g(s, y(s))ds - \int_0^T S(T - s)f(s, y(s))ds \bigg\}(t).$$

Now, using this control, we show that operator Ψ defined in the following has a fixed point. Define the operator Ψ on $C([0,T]; B_r)$ by

$$\begin{aligned} (\Psi w)(t) \\ &= S(t)[y_0 - h(t_1, \dots, t_p, w(\cdot)) + g(0, y_0)] - \int_0^t AS(t-s)g(s, w(s))ds \\ &- \int_0^t [AS(t-s) - S(t-s)\sigma]B\widetilde{W}^{-1} \Big\{ a - S(T)[y_0 - h(t_1, \dots, t_p, w(\cdot)) \\ &+ g(0, y_0)] + \int_0^T AS(T-\tau)g(\tau, w(\tau))d\tau \\ (2.4) &- \int_0^T S(T-\tau)f(\tau, w(\tau))d\tau \Big\}(s)ds + \int_0^t S(t-s)f(s, w(s))ds. \end{aligned}$$

First of all, we show that Ψ maps $C([0,T]; B_r)$ into itself. By hypotheses, there exists M > 0 such that $\int_0^T \gamma(t) dt \leq M$ and we can choose $M_1, M_2, M_3 > 0$

such that

$$M_1 = \max_{s \in [0,T]} \|f(s,0)\|, \ M_2 = \max_{s \in [0,T]} \|g(s,0)\|, \ M_3 = \max_{w \in C([0,t];B_r)} g(0,w).$$

Also, because $w(\cdot)$ in h is continuous on [0, T], we take

$$M_4 = \max_{w \in C([0,T];B_r)} \|h(t_1, \dots, t_p, w(\cdot))\|.$$

From (2.4) we have

$$\begin{split} \|(\Psi w)(t)\| \\ &\leq \|S(t)y_0\| + \|S(t)h(t_1,\ldots,t_p,w(\cdot))\| + \|S(t)g(0,y_0)\| \\ &+ \|\int_0^t AS(t-s)g(s,w(s))\| + \|\int_0^t [AS(t-s) - S(t-s)\sigma]B\widetilde{W}^{-1} \Big\{ a \\ &- S(T)[y_0 - h(t_1,\ldots,t_p,w(\cdot)) + g(0,y_0)] \\ &+ \int_0^T AS(T-\tau)g(\tau,w(\tau))d\tau - \int_0^T S(T-\tau)f(\tau,w(\tau))d\tau \Big\}(s)ds\| \\ &+ \|\int_0^t S(t-\tau)f(s,w(s))ds\| \\ &\leq L_1\|y_0\| + L_1M_4 + L_1M_3 + L_2\int_0^t \Big[\|g(s,w(s)) - g(s,0)\| + \|g(s,0)\| \Big] ds \\ &+ \int_0^t \Big[\|AS(t-s)B\|_{L(U,E)} + L_1\|\sigma B\| \Big] \|\widetilde{W}^{-1}\| \Big\{ [\|a\| + L_1\|y_0\| + L_1M_4 \\ &+ L_1M_3 + L_2\int_0^T \Big[\|g(\tau,w(\tau)) - g(\tau,0)\| + \|g(\tau,0)\| \Big] d\tau \\ &+ L_1\int_0^T \Big[\|f(\tau,w(\tau)) - f(\tau,0)\| + \|f(\tau,0)\| \Big] d\tau \Big\}(s)ds \\ &+ L_1\int_0^t \Big[\|f(s,w(s)) - f(s,0)\| + \|f(s,0)\| \Big] ds \\ &\leq L_1\|y_0\| + L_1M_4 + L_1M_3 + L_2TL_5r + L_2M_2T + \Big[MT + L_1T\|\sigma B\| \Big] L_3\Big\{ \|a\| \\ &+ L_1\|y_0\| + L_1M_4 + L_1M_3 + L_1L_4Tr + L_1TM_1 + L_2L_5Tr + L_2TM_2 \Big\} \\ &+ L_1L_4Tr + L_1TM_1. \end{split}$$

Thus Ψ maps $C([0,T]; B_r)$ into itself.

Now we show that Ψ is a contraction on $C([0,T]; B_r)$. Indeed,

$$\begin{aligned} &\|(\Psi w)(t) - (\Psi \widetilde{w})(t)\| \\ &\leq \|S(t)\| \|h(t_1, \dots, t_p, w(\cdot)) - h(t_1, \dots, t_p, \widetilde{w}(\cdot))\| \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{split} &+ \int_{0}^{t} \|AS(t-s)\| \|g(s,w(s)) - g(s,\widetilde{w}(s))\| ds \\ &+ \int_{0}^{t} \| [AS(t-s) - S(t-s)\sigma] B\| \|\widetilde{W}^{-1}\| \Big\{ \|h(t_{1},\ldots,t_{p},w(\cdot)) \\ &- h(t_{1},\ldots,t_{p},\widetilde{w}(\cdot))\| + \int_{0}^{T} \|AS(t-\tau)\| \|g(\tau,w(\tau)) - g(\tau,\widetilde{w}(\tau))\| d\tau \\ &+ \int_{0}^{T} \|S(T-\tau)\| \|f(\tau,w(\tau)) - f(\tau,\widetilde{w}(\tau))\| d\tau \Big\} (s) ds \\ &+ \int_{0}^{t} \|S(t-s)\| \|f(s,w(s)) - f(s,\widetilde{w}(s))\| ds \\ &\leq L_{1}L_{7} \sup_{t\in[0,T]} \|w(t) - \widetilde{w}(t)\| + L_{2}L_{5} \int_{0}^{t} \|w(s) - \widetilde{w}(s)\| ds \\ &+ (L_{2} + L_{1}\|\sigma\|) \|B\| \|\widetilde{W}^{-1}\| \int_{0}^{t} \Big\{ L_{7} \sup_{t\in[0,T]} \|w(t) - \widetilde{w}(t)\| \\ &+ \int_{0}^{t} L_{2}L_{5} \|w(\tau) - \widetilde{w}(\tau)\| d\tau + \int_{0}^{T} L_{1}L_{4} \|w(\tau) - \widetilde{w}(\tau)\| d\tau \Big\} (s) ds \\ &+ L_{1}L_{4} \int_{0}^{t} \|w(s) - \widetilde{w}(s)\| ds \\ &\leq \Big[L_{1}L_{7} + L_{2}L_{5}T + (L_{2} + L_{1}\|\sigma\|) \|B\| L_{3} \Big\{ L_{7}T + L_{2}L_{5}T + L_{1}L_{4}T \Big\} \\ &+ L_{1}L_{4}T \Big] \sup_{t\in[0,T]} \|w(t) - \widetilde{w}(t)\| = k \sup_{t\in[0,T]} \|w(t) - \widetilde{w}(t)\|, \end{split}$$

where $k = L_1L_7 + L_2L_5T + (L_2 + L_1 ||\sigma||) ||B|| L_3(L_7T + L_2L_5T + L_1L_4T) + L_1L_4T$. Because 0 < k < 1, the operator Ψ is a contraction on $C([0,T]; B_r)$. Applying the Banach fixed point theorem we get a unique fixed point for ψ in $C([0,T], B_r)$ and this point is the mild solution of the system (1.1). Consequently, the system (1.1) is controllable on [0,T].

4. An application

Let Ω be a bounded and open subset of \mathbb{R}^n with a sufficiently smooth boundary Γ of class C^{∞} . We consider the boundary control neutral evolution system:

(4.1)
$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} [y(t,x) + g(t,y(t))] &= \Delta y(t) + f(t,y(t)) \quad \text{in} \quad Q = (0,T) \times \Omega, \\ y(t,0) &= u(t,0) \quad \text{on} \quad \Sigma = (0,T) \times \Gamma, \\ y(0,x) + h(y(T^*,x)) &= y_0(x) \quad \text{for} \quad x \in \Omega, \quad T^* \in [0,T], \end{aligned}$$

where $u \in L^2(\Sigma)$, $y_0 \in L^2(\Omega)$, $f \in L^2(Q)$ and $g \in L^2(Q)$. Moreover, we assume that the functions f, g, h are satisfied the following conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} \|f(t,y) - f(t,z)\| &\leq c_1 \|y - z\|, \quad t \in [0,T], \\ \|g(t,y) - g(t,z)\| &\leq c_2 \|y - z\|, \quad t \in [0,T], \\ \|g(t,y)\| &\leq c_3 \|y\|, \quad t \in [0,T] \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\|h(w_1(T^*, x)) - h(w_2(T^*, x))\| \le c_4 \sup_{t \in [0, T]} \|w_1(t) - w_2(t)\|,$$

where c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4 are positive constants, $y, z \in B_r$ and $w_1, w_2 \in C([0, T], B_r)$.

To formulate this as a boundary control system of the form (1.1) we define $E = L^2(\Omega), X = H^{-\frac{1}{2}}(\Gamma), U = L^2(\Gamma) B_1 = I, D(\sigma) = \{y \in L^2(\Omega) : \Delta y \in L^2(\Omega)\}$ and $\sigma = \Delta$. The operator τ is the trace operator $\tau y = y|_{\Gamma}$ which is well defined and belong to $H^{-\frac{1}{2}}(\Gamma)$ for each $y \in D(\sigma)$. The operator A is given by

$$A = \Delta, \quad D(A) = H^1(\Omega) \cap H^2(\Omega).$$

To verify (H_3) and (H_4) we define the linear operator $B : U(L^2(\Gamma)) \to L^2(\Omega)$ by $Bu = w_u$, where $w_u \in L^2(\Omega)$ is the unique solution to the Dirichlet boundary value problem:

$$\Delta w_u = 0$$
 in Ω ,
 $w_u = u$ in Γ .

In other words,

(4.2)
$$\int_{\Omega} w_u \triangle \psi dx = \int_{\Gamma} u \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \nu} dx \quad \text{for all} \quad \psi \in H^1_0(\Omega) \cap H^2(\Omega).$$

Here $\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \nu}$ denotes the outward derivative of ψ which is well defined as an element of $H^{\frac{1}{2}}(\Gamma)$. By (4.2), it follows by a standard argument that

(4.3)
$$||w_u||_{L^2(\Omega)} \le C ||u||_{H^{-\frac{1}{2}}(\Gamma)}$$
 for all $u \in H^{-\frac{1}{2}}(\Gamma)$,

(4.4)
$$||w_u||_{H^1(\Omega)} \le C ||u||_{H^{\frac{1}{2}}(\Gamma)}$$
 for all $u \in H^{\frac{1}{2}}(\Gamma)$.

The inequality (4.3) implies the hypothesis (H_3) .

Next it follows by an interpolation argument involving estimates (4.3) and (4.4) that (see [6])

$$||AS(t)B||_{L(L^{2}(\Gamma),L^{2}(\Gamma))} \le Ct^{-\frac{3}{4}}$$
 for all $t > 0$.

And the hypothesis (H_4) holds with $\gamma(t) = Ct^{-\frac{3}{4}}$. Thus all the conditions stated in Theorem 3.1 are satisfied if we take k(0 < k < 1). Therefore the system (4.1) is controllable on [0, T].

5. Conclusions

We have studied the boundary control of semilinear neutral evolution systems with a nonlocal condition, which is new and allow us to develop the boundary controllability of various impulsive neutral evolution systems. An application is provided to illustrate the applicability of the new result. The result presented in this paper extend and improve the corresponding ones announced by Han and Park [5], Balachandran and Anandhi [1], Balachandran, Anandhi and Dauer [2], and others.

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