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## EXACT CONTROLLABILITY OF A NON-LINEAR GENERALIZED DAMPED WAVE EQUATION: APPLICATION TO THE SINE-GORDON EQUATION

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we give a sufficient conditions for the exact controllability of the non-linear generalized damped wave equation

$$\ddot{w} + \eta \dot{w} + \gamma A^\beta w = u(t) + f(t, w, u(t)),$$

on a Hilbert space. The distributed control  $u \in L^2$  and the operator  $A$  is positive definite self-adjoint unbounded with compact resolvent. The non-linear term  $f$  is a continuous function on  $t$  and globally Lipschitz in the other variables. We prove that the linear system and the non-linear system are both exactly controllable; that is to say, the controllability of the linear system is preserved under the non-linear perturbation  $f$ . As an application of this result one can prove the exact controllability of the Sine-Gordon equation.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

In this paper, we give sufficient conditions for the exact controllability of the following non-linear generalized damped wave equation on a Hilbert space  $X$ ,

$$\ddot{w} + \eta \dot{w} + \gamma A^\beta w = u(t) + f(t, w, u(t)), \quad t \geq 0, \quad (1.1)$$

where  $\gamma > 0$ ,  $\eta > 0$ ,  $\beta \geq 0$ , the distributed control  $u$  is in  $L^2(0, t_1; X)$ , and  $A : D(A) \subset X \rightarrow X$  is a positive definite self-adjoint unbounded linear operator in  $X$  with compact resolvent. This implies the following spectral decomposition of the operator  $A$ :

$$Ax = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n \sum_{k=1}^{\gamma_n} \langle x, \phi_{n,k} \rangle \phi_{n,k} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n E_n x, \quad x \in D(A).$$

The non-linear term  $f : [0, t_1] \times X \times X \rightarrow X$  is a continuous function on  $t$  and globally Lipschitz in the other variables. i.e., there exists a constant  $l > 0$  such that for all  $x_1, x_2, u_1, u_2 \in X$  we have

$$\|f(t, x_2, u_2) - f(t, x_1, u_1)\| \leq l \{ \|x_2 - x_1\| + \|u_2 - u_1\| \}, \quad t \in [0, t_1]. \quad (1.2)$$

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We consider the operator

$$\mathcal{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & I_X \\ -\gamma A^\beta & -\eta I \end{bmatrix} \quad (1.3)$$

which corresponds to the equation  $\ddot{w} + \eta\dot{w} + \gamma A^\beta w = 0$  written as a first order system in the space  $D(A^{\beta/2}) \times X$ . Then we prove the following statements:

- (I)  $\mathcal{A}$  generates a strongly continuous group  $\{T(t)\}_{t \in \mathbb{R}}$  on  $D(A^{\beta/2}) \times X$  such that  $\|T(t)\| \leq M(\eta, \gamma)e^{-\frac{\eta}{2}t}$ ,  $t \geq 0$ .
- (II) The linear system (1.4) ( $f = 0$ ) is exactly controllable on  $[0, t_1]$ .
- (III) The non-linear system (1.1) is also exactly controllable on  $[0, t_1]$ .

Moreover, each of the following statements are equivalent to the exact controllability of the linear system

$$\ddot{w} + \eta\dot{w} + \gamma A^\beta w = u(t) \quad t \geq 0, \quad (1.4)$$

- (a) Each of the following finite dimensional systems is controllable on  $[0, t_1]$ ,

$$y' = A_j P_j y + P_j B u, \quad y \in \mathcal{R}(P_j); \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, \infty. \quad (1.5)$$

- (b)  $B^* P_j^* e^{A_j^* t} y = 0$ , for all  $t \in [0, t_1]$ , implies  $y = 0$
- (c)  $\text{Rank} \begin{bmatrix} P_j B & A_j P_j B & A_j^2 P_j B & \dots & A_j^{2\gamma_j - 1} P_j B \end{bmatrix} = 2\gamma_j$
- (d) The operator  $W_j(t_1) : \mathcal{R}(P_j) \rightarrow \mathcal{R}(P_j)$  given by

$$W_j(t_1) = \int_0^{t_1} e^{-A_j s} B B^* e^{-A_j^* s} ds, \quad (1.6)$$

is invertible, where  $\lambda_j$  are the eigenvalues of  $A$ ,  $\{P_j\}$  are the projections on the corresponding eigenspace,

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ I_X \end{bmatrix}, \quad A_j = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\gamma \lambda_j^\beta & -\eta \end{bmatrix} P_j, \quad j \geq 1.$$

The operator,  $W_j(t_1)$ , allows us to compute explicitly the control  $u \in L^2(0, t_1; X)$  steering an initial state  $z_0$  to a final state  $z_1$  in time  $t_1 > 0$  for the linear system (1.4). This control is given by the formula

$$u(t) = B^* T^*(-t) \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} W_j^{-1}(t_1) P_j (T(-t_1) z_1 - z_0). \quad (1.7)$$

We use this formula to construct a sequence of controls  $u_n$  that converges to a control  $u$  that steers an initial state  $z_0$  to a final state  $z_1$  for the non-linear system (1.1). That is to say, we proved the exact controllability of this system.

As an application of this result we can prove the exact controllability of The Sine-Gordon Equation

$$\begin{aligned} w_{tt} + cw_t - dw_{xx} + k \sin w &= p(t, x), \quad 0 < x < 1, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}, \\ w(t, 0) = w(t, 1) &= 0, \quad t \in \mathbb{R} \end{aligned} \quad (1.8)$$

where  $d > 0$ ,  $c > 0$ ,  $k > 0$  and  $p : \mathbb{R} \times [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous and bounded function acting as an external force.

The existence of an attractor for the Sine-Gordon equation is proved in [9] where we can find a study of this equation, and the existence of bounded solutions for this model (1.8) and others similar one has been carried out recently in [5], [6] and [3]. To our knowledge, the exact controllability of this model under non-linear action of the control has not been studied before. So, in this paper we give a sufficient

conditions for the exact controllability of the system (1.1) that can be applied to the following controlled Sine-Gordon equation

$$\begin{aligned} w_{tt} + cw_t - dw_{xx} + k \sin w &= p(t, x) + u(t, x) + g(t, w, u(t, x)), \quad 0 < x < 1 \\ w(t, 0) = w(t, 1) &= 0, \quad t \in \mathbb{R} \end{aligned} \quad (1.9)$$

where  $g : [0, t_1] \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous function on  $t$  and globally Lipschitz in the other variables. i.e., there exists a constant  $m > 0$  such that for all  $x_1, x_2, u_1, u_2 \in \mathbb{R}$  we have

$$\|g(t, x_2, u_2) - g(t, x_1, u_1)\| \leq m \{\|x_2 - x_1\| + \|u_2 - u_1\|\}, \quad t \in [0, t_1]. \quad (1.10)$$

This system can be written in the form of system (1.1) if we choose  $X = L^2[0, 1]$ ,  $A\phi = -\phi_{xx}$ , with domain  $D(A) = H^2 \cap H_0^1$  and  $f(t, w, u) = -k \sin w + p(t, \cdot) + g(t, w, u)$ . Moreover, the exact controllability of (1.9) does not depend on the bounded function  $p(t, \cdot)$ .

Also, in [4] the authors study the exact *null* controllability of the second order linear equation

$$\ddot{w} + \rho A^r \dot{w} + Aw = u(t), \quad \rho > 0, \quad \frac{1}{2} \leq r \leq 1, \quad t \geq 0, \quad (1.11)$$

where the distributed control  $u \in L^2(0, t_1; X)$  and  $A : D(A) \subset X \rightarrow X$  is a positive definite self-adjoint unbounded linear operator in  $X$  with compact resolvent. They prove that if  $\frac{1}{2} \leq r < 1$ , then the system (1.11) is exactly *null* controllable on  $[0, t_1]$ . However, if  $\alpha = 1$ , the system (1.11) is not exactly *null* controllable. In [2, Example 3.27] it is shown that exact *null* controllability of an infinite dimensional system does not imply exact controllability of the system.

## 2. NOTATION AND PRELIMINARIES

The fact that  $A : D(A) \subset X \rightarrow X$  is a positive definite self-adjoint unbounded linear operator in  $X$  with compact resolvent implies the following:

- (a) The spectrum of  $A$  consists of only eigenvalues

$$0 < \lambda_1 < \lambda_2 < \dots < \lambda_n \rightarrow \infty,$$

Each  $\lambda_j$  has finite multiplicity,  $\gamma_n$ , equal to the dimension of the corresponding eigenspace.

- (b) There exists a complete orthonormal set  $\{\phi_{n,k}\}$  of eigenvectors of  $A$ .

- (c) For all  $x \in D(A)$  we have

$$Ax = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n \sum_{k=1}^{\gamma_n} \langle x, \phi_{n,k} \rangle \phi_{n,k} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n E_n x, \quad (2.1)$$

where  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  is the inner product in  $X$  and

$$E_n x = \sum_{k=1}^{\gamma_n} \langle x, \phi_{n,k} \rangle \phi_{n,k}. \quad (2.2)$$

So,  $\{E_n\}$  is a family of complete orthogonal projections in  $X$  and  $x = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n x$ ,  $x \in X$ .

- (d)  $-A$  generates an analytic semigroup  $\{e^{-At}\}$  given by

$$e^{-At} x = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} e^{-\lambda_n t} E_n x. \quad (2.3)$$

(e) The fractional powered spaces  $X^r$  are given by

$$X^r = D(A^r) = \{x \in X : \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\lambda_n)^{2r} \|E_n x\|^2 < \infty\}, \quad r \geq 0,$$

with the norm

$$\|x\|_r = \|A^r x\| = \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n^{2r} \|E_n x\|^2 \right\}^{1/2}, \quad x \in X^r,$$

and

$$A^r x = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n^r E_n x. \quad (2.4)$$

Also, for  $r \geq 0$  we define  $Z_r = X^r \times X$ , which is a Hilbert Space endowed with the norm

$$\left\| \begin{bmatrix} w \\ v \end{bmatrix} \right\|_{Z_r}^2 = \|w\|_r^2 + \|v\|^2.$$

Using the change of variables  $w' = v$ , the second order equation (1.1) can be written as a first order system of ordinary differential equations in the Hilbert space  $Z_{\beta/2} = D(A^{\beta/2}) \times X = X^{\beta/2} \times X$  as

$$z' = \mathcal{A}z + Bu + F(t, z, u(t)) \quad z \in Z_{\beta/2}, \quad t \geq 0, \quad (2.5)$$

where

$$z = \begin{bmatrix} w \\ v \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ I_X \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathcal{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & I_X \\ -\gamma A^\beta & -\eta I_X \end{bmatrix}. \quad (2.6)$$

is an unbounded linear operator with domain  $D(\mathcal{A}) = D(A^\beta) \times X$  and

$$F(t, z, u) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ f(t, w, u) \end{bmatrix}, \quad (2.7)$$

is a function  $F : [0, t_1] \times Z_{\beta/2} \times X \rightarrow Z$ . Since  $X^{\beta/2}$  is continuously included in  $X$  we obtain for all  $z_1, z_2 \in Z_{\beta/2}$  and  $u_1, u_2 \in X$  that

$$\|F(t, z_2, u_2) - F(t, z_1, u_1)\|_{Z_{\beta/2}} \leq L \{\|z_2 - z_1\| + \|u_2 - u_1\|\}, \quad t \in [0, t_1]. \quad (2.8)$$

In this paper, without loss of generality we shall assume the following condition

$$\eta^2 < 4\gamma\lambda_1^\beta.$$

### 3. THE UNCONTROLLED LINEAR EQUATION

In this section we shall study the well-posedness of the abstract linear Cauchy initial-value problem

$$\begin{aligned} z' &= \mathcal{A}z, \quad (t \in \mathbb{R}) \\ z(0) &= z_0 \in D(\mathcal{A}), \end{aligned} \quad (3.1)$$

which is equivalent to prove that the operator  $\mathcal{A}$  generates a strongly continuous group. To this end, we shall use the following Lemma from [7].

**Lemma 3.1.** *Let  $Z$  be a separable Hilbert space and  $\{A_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ ,  $\{P_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  two families of bounded linear operators in  $Z$  with  $\{P_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  being a complete family of orthogonal projections such that*

$$A_n P_n = P_n A_n, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots \quad (3.2)$$

Define the family of linear operators

$$T(t)z = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} e^{A_n t} P_n z, \quad t \geq 0. \quad (3.3)$$

Then

(a)  $T(t)$  is a linear bounded operator if

$$\|e^{A_n t}\| \leq g(t), \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots \quad (3.4)$$

for some continuous real-valued function  $g(t)$ .

(b) Under the condition (3.4)  $\{T(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$  is a  $C_0$ -semigroup in the Hilbert space  $Z$  whose infinitesimal generator  $\mathcal{A}$  is given by

$$\mathcal{A}z = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n P_n z, \quad z \in D(\mathcal{A}) \quad (3.5)$$

with  $D(\mathcal{A}) = \{z \in Z : \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \|A_n P_n z\|^2 < \infty\}$

(c) the spectrum  $\sigma(\mathcal{A})$  of  $\mathcal{A}$  is given by

$$\sigma(\mathcal{A}) = \overline{\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \sigma(\bar{A}_n)}, \quad (3.6)$$

where  $\bar{A}_n = A_n P_n$ .

**Theorem 3.2.** *The operator  $\mathcal{A}$  given by (2.6), is the infinitesimal generator of a strongly continuous group  $\{T(t)\}_{t \in \mathbb{R}}$  given by*

$$T(t)z = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} e^{A_n t} P_n z, \quad z \in Z_{\beta/2}, \quad t \geq 0 \quad (3.7)$$

where  $\{P_n\}_{n \geq 0}$  is a complete family of orthogonal projections in the Hilbert space  $Z_{\beta/2}$ :  $P_n = \text{diag}[E_n, E_n]$ ,  $n \geq 1$ , and

$$A_n = B_n P_n, \quad B_n = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\gamma \lambda_n^\beta & -\eta \end{bmatrix}, \quad n \geq 1. \quad (3.8)$$

This group decays exponentially to zero. In fact, we have the estimate  $\|T(t)\| \leq M(\eta, \gamma) e^{-\frac{\eta}{2}t}$ ,  $t \geq 0$ , where

$$\frac{M(\eta, \gamma)}{2\sqrt{2}} = \sup_{n \geq 1} \left\{ 2 \left| \frac{\eta \pm \sqrt{4\gamma \lambda_n^\beta - \eta^2}}{\sqrt{\eta^2 - 4\gamma \lambda_n^\beta}} \right|, \left| (2 + \gamma) \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_n^\beta}{4\gamma \lambda_n^\beta - \eta^2}} \right| \right\}.$$

*Proof.* Computing  $\mathcal{A}z$  yields,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}z &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & I \\ -\gamma A^\beta & -\eta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w \\ v \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} v \\ -\gamma A^\beta w - \eta v \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n v \\ -\gamma \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n^\beta E_n w - \eta \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n v \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \begin{bmatrix} E_n v \\ -\gamma \lambda_n^\beta E_n w - \eta E_n v \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\gamma\lambda_n^\beta & -\eta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} E_n & 0 \\ 0 & E_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w \\ v \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n P_n z.
\end{aligned}$$

It is clear that  $A_n P_n = P_n A_n$ . Now, we need to check condition (3.4) from Lemma 3.1. To this end, compute the spectrum of the matrix  $B_n$ . The characteristic equation of  $B_n$  is given by

$$\lambda^2 + \eta\lambda + \gamma\lambda_n^\beta = 0,$$

and the eigenvalues  $\sigma_1(n)$ ,  $\sigma_2(n)$  of the matrix  $B_n$  are given by

$$\sigma_1(n) = -c + il_n, \quad \sigma_2(n) = -c - il_n,$$

where,

$$c = \frac{\eta}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad l_n = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{4\gamma\lambda_n^\beta - \eta^2}.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
e^{B_n t} &= e^{-ct} \left\{ \cos l_n t I + \frac{1}{l_n} (B_n + cI) \right\} \\
&= e^{-ct} \begin{bmatrix} \cos l_n t + \frac{\eta}{2l_n} \sin l_n t & \frac{\sin l_n t}{l_n} \\ -\gamma S(n) \lambda_n^{\beta/2} \sin l_n t & \cos l_n t - \frac{\eta}{2l_n} \sin l_n t \end{bmatrix},
\end{aligned}$$

From the above formulas, we obtain

$$e^{B_n t} = e^{-ct} \begin{bmatrix} a(n) & \frac{b(n)}{l_n} \\ -\gamma S(n) \lambda_n^{\beta/2} c(n) & d(n) \end{bmatrix}$$

where

$$a(n) = \cos l_n t + \frac{\eta}{2l_n} \sin l_n t, \quad b(n) = \sin l_n t,$$

$$c(n) = \sin l_n t, \quad d(n) = \cos l_n t - \frac{\eta}{2l_n} \sin l_n t, \quad S(n) = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_n^\beta}{4\gamma\lambda_n^\beta - \eta^2}}.$$

Now, consider  $z = (z_1, z_2)^T \in Z_{\beta/2}$  such that  $\|z\|_{Z_{\beta/2}} = 1$ . Then

$$\|z_1\|_{\beta/2}^2 = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \lambda_j^\beta \|E_j z_1\|^2 \leq 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \|z_2\|_X^2 = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \|E_j z_2\|^2 \leq 1.$$

Therefore,  $\lambda_j^{\beta/2} \|E_j z_1\| \leq 1$ ,  $\|E_j z_2\| \leq 1$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots$  and so,

$$\begin{aligned}
\|e^{A_n t} z\|_{Z_{\beta/2}}^2 &= e^{-2ct} \left\| \begin{bmatrix} a(n) E_n z_1 + \frac{b(n)}{l_n} E_n z_2 \\ -\gamma S(n) c(n) \lambda_n^{\beta/2} E_n z_1 + d(n) E_n z_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\|_{Z_{\beta/2}}^2 \\
&= e^{-2ct} \left\| a(n) E_n z_1 + \frac{b(n)}{l_n} E_n z_2 \right\|_{\frac{\beta}{2}}^2 + e^{-2ct} \left\| -\gamma S(n) c(n) \lambda_n^{\beta/2} E_n z_1 + d(n) E_n z_2 \right\|_X^2 \\
&= e^{-2ct} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \lambda_j^\beta \|E_j (a(n) E_n z_1 + \frac{b(n)}{l_n} E_n z_2)\|^2
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &+ e^{-2ct} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \|E_j(-\gamma S(n)c(n)\lambda_n^{\frac{\beta}{2}} E_n z_1 + d(n)E_n z_2)\|^2 \\
 &= e^{-2ct} \lambda_n^\beta \|a(n)E_n z_1 + \frac{b(n)}{l_n} E_n z_2\|^2 + e^{-2ct} \| \\
 &\quad -\gamma S(n)c(n)\lambda_n^{\frac{\beta}{2}} E_n z_1 + d(n)E_n z_2\|^2 \\
 &\leq e^{-2ct} (|a(n)| + |\frac{\lambda_n^{\frac{\beta}{2}}}{\lambda_n^\alpha} b(n)|)^2 + e^{-2ct} (|\gamma S(n)c(n)| + |d(n)|)^2,
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\left| \frac{\lambda_n^{\frac{\beta}{2}}}{l_n} b(n) \right| = \left| \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_n^\beta}{\eta^2 - 4\gamma\lambda_n^\beta}} \right|.$$

If we set,

$$\frac{M(\eta, \gamma)}{2\sqrt{2}} = \sup_{n \geq 1} \left\{ 2 \left| \frac{\eta \pm \sqrt{4\gamma\lambda_n^\beta - \eta^2}}{\sqrt{\eta^2 - 4\gamma\lambda_n^\beta}} \right|, \left| (2 + \gamma) \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_n^\beta}{4\gamma\lambda_n^\beta - \eta^2}} \right| \right\},$$

we have,

$$\|e^{A_n t}\| \leq M(\eta, \gamma)e^{-ct}, \quad t \geq 0, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

Hence, applying Lemma 3.1 we obtain that  $\mathcal{A}$  generates a strongly continuous group given by (3.7). Next, we will prove this group decays exponentially to zero. In fact,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|T(t)z\|^2 &\leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \|e^{A_n t} P_n z\|^2 \\
 &\leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \|e^{A_n t}\|^2 \|P_n z\|^2 \\
 &\leq M^2(\eta, \gamma)e^{-2ct} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \|P_n z\|^2 \\
 &= M^2(\eta, \gamma)e^{-2ct} \|z\|^2.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\|T(t)\| \leq M(\eta, \gamma)e^{-ct}, t \geq 0$ . □

#### 4. EXACT CONTROLLABILITY OF THE LINEAR SYSTEM

Now, we shall give the definition of controllability in terms of the linear systems

$$z' = \mathcal{A}z + Bu \quad z \in Z_{\beta/2}, \quad t \geq 0, \tag{4.1}$$

where

$$z = \begin{bmatrix} w \\ v \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ I_X \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathcal{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & I_X \\ -\gamma A^\beta & -\eta I_X \end{bmatrix}. \tag{4.2}$$

For all  $z_0 \in Z_{\beta/2}$  equation (4.1) has a unique mild solution given by

$$z(t) = T(t)z_0 + \int_0^t T(t-s)Bu(s)ds, \quad 0 \leq t \leq t_1. \tag{4.3}$$

The following definition of exact controllability can be found in [2].

**Definition 4.1.** We say that system (4.1) is exactly controllable on  $[0, t_1]$ ,  $t_1 > 0$ , if for all  $z_0, z_1 \in Z_{\beta/2}$  there exists a control  $u \in L^2(0, t_1; X)$  such that the solution  $z(t)$  of (4.3) corresponding to  $u$ , satisfies  $z(t_1) = z_1$ .

Consider the bounded linear operator

$$G : L^2(0, t_1; U) \rightarrow Z_{\beta/2}, \quad Gu = \int_0^{t_1} T(-s)B(s)u(s)ds. \quad (4.4)$$

Then the following proposition is a characterization of the exact controllability of system (4.1).

**Proposition 4.2.** *The system (4.1) is exactly controllable on  $[0, t_1]$  if and only if, the operator  $G$  is surjective, that is to say*

$$GL^2(0, t_1; X) = \text{Range}(G) = Z_{\beta/2}.$$

Now, consider the family of finite dimensional systems

$$y' = A_j P_j y + P_j B u, \quad y \in \mathcal{R}(P_j); \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, \infty. \quad (4.5)$$

Then the following proposition can be shown as in [8, Lemma 1].

**Proposition 4.3.** *The following statements are equivalent:*

- (a) System (4.5) is controllable on  $[0, t_1]$
- (b)  $B^* P_j^* e^{A_j^* t} y = 0$ , for all  $t \in [0, t_1]$ , implies  $y = 0$
- (c)  $\text{Rank} \begin{bmatrix} P_j B & A_j P_j B & A_j^2 P_j B & \dots & A_j^{2\gamma_j - 1} P_j B \end{bmatrix} = 2\gamma_j$
- (d) The operator  $W_j(t_1) : \mathcal{R}(P_j) \rightarrow \mathcal{R}(P_j)$  given by

$$W_j(t_1) = \int_0^{t_1} e^{-A_j s} B B^* e^{-A_j^* s} ds, \quad (4.6)$$

is invertible.

Now, we are ready to formulate the main result on exact controllability of the linear system (4.1).

**Theorem 4.4.** *The system (4.1) is exactly controllable on  $[0, t_1]$ . Moreover, the control  $u \in L^2(0, t_1; X)$  that steers an initial state  $z_0$  to a final state  $z_1$  at time  $t_1 > 0$  is given by the formula*

$$u(t) = B^* T^*(-t) \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} W_j^{-1}(t_1) P_j (T(-t_1) z_1 - z_0). \quad (4.7)$$

*Proof.* Since  $\{T(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$  is a group, the operator  $G$  in (5) can be replaced by

$$G : L^2(0, t_1; X) \rightarrow Z_{\beta/2}, \quad Gu = \int_0^{t_1} T(-s)B(s)u(s)ds. \quad (4.8)$$

Then system (4.1) is exactly controllable on  $[0, t_1]$  if and only if, the operator  $G$  is surjective, that is to say

$$GL^2(0, t_1; X) = \text{Range}(G) = Z_{\beta/2}.$$

First, we shall prove that each of the following finite dimensional systems is controllable on  $[0, t_1]$

$$y' = A_j P_j y + P_j B u, \quad y \in \mathcal{R}(P_j); \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, \infty. \quad (4.9)$$



In fact, we can check the condition for controllability of this systems,

$$B^* P_j^* e^{A_j^* t} y = 0, \quad \forall t \in [0, t_1], \quad \Rightarrow y = 0.$$

In this case the operators  $A_j = B_j P_j$  and  $\mathcal{A}$  are given by

$$B_j = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\gamma \lambda_j^\beta & -\eta \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathcal{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & I_X \\ -\gamma A^\beta & -\eta I \end{bmatrix},$$

and the eigenvalues  $\sigma_1(j), \sigma_2(j)$  of the matrix  $B_j$  are given by  $\sigma_1(j) = -c + il_j$  and  $\sigma_2(j) = -c - il_j$ , where

$$c = \frac{\eta}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad l_j = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{4\gamma \lambda_j^\beta - \eta^2}.$$

Therefore,  $A_j^* = B_j^* P_j$  with  $B_j^* = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ \gamma \lambda_j^\beta & -\eta \end{bmatrix}$  and

$$\begin{aligned} e^{B_j t} &= e^{-ct} \left\{ \cos l_j t I + \frac{1}{l_j} (B_j + cI) \right\} \\ &= e^{-ct} \begin{bmatrix} \cos l_j t + \frac{\eta}{2l_j} \sin l_j t & \frac{\sin l_j t}{l_j} \\ -\gamma S(j) \lambda_j^{\beta/2} \sin l_j t & \cos l_j t - \frac{\eta}{2l_j} \sin l_j t \end{bmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} e^{B_j^* t} &= e^{-ct} \left\{ \cos l_j t I + \frac{1}{l_j} (B_j^* + cI) \right\} \\ &= e^{-ct} \begin{bmatrix} \cos l_j t + \frac{\eta}{2l_j} \sin l_j t & -\frac{\sin l_j t}{l_j} \\ \gamma S(j) \lambda_j^{\beta/2} \sin l_j t & \cos l_j t - \frac{\eta}{2l_j} \sin l_j t \end{bmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ I_X \end{bmatrix}, \quad B^* = [0, I_X] \quad \text{and} \quad BB^* = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & I_X \end{bmatrix}.$$

Now, let  $y = (y_1, y_2)^T$  be in  $\mathcal{R}(P_j)$  such that  $B^* P_j^* e^{A_j^* t} y = 0$  for all  $t \in [0, t_1]$ . Then

$$e^{-ct} \left[ \gamma S(j) \lambda_j^{\beta/2} \sin l_j t y_1 + \left( \cos l_j t - \frac{\eta}{2l_j} \sin l_j t \right) y_2 \right] = 0, \quad \forall t \in [0, t_1],$$

which implies  $y = 0$ . From Proposition 4.3 the operator  $W_j(t_1) : \mathcal{R}(P_j) \rightarrow \mathcal{R}(P_j)$  given by

$$W_j(t_1) = \int_0^{t_1} e^{-A_j s} B B^* e^{-A_j^* s} ds = P_j \int_0^{t_1} e^{-B_j s} B B^* e^{-B_j^* s} ds P_j = P_j \overline{W}_j(t_1) P_j$$

is invertible. Since

$$\begin{aligned} \|e^{-A_j t}\| &\leq M(\eta, \gamma) e^{ct}, \quad \|e^{-A_j^* t}\| \leq M(\eta, \gamma) e^{ct}, \\ \|e^{-A_j t} B B^* e^{-A_j^* t}\| &\leq M^2(\eta, \gamma) \|B B^*\| e^{2ct}, \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$\|W_j(t_1)\| \leq M^2(\eta, \gamma) \|B B^*\| e^{2ct_1} \leq L(\eta, \gamma), \quad j = 1, 2, \dots$$

Now, we shall prove that the family of linear operators,

$$W_j^{-1}(t_1) = \overline{W}_j^{-1}(t_1) P_j : Z_{\beta/2} \rightarrow Z_{\beta/2}$$

is bounded and  $\|W_j^{-1}(t_1)\|$  is uniformly bounded. To this end, we shall compute explicitly the matrix  $\overline{W}_j^{-1}(t_1)$ . From the above formulas we obtain that

$$e^{B_j t} = e^{-ct} \begin{bmatrix} a(j) & b(j) \\ -a(j) & c(j) \end{bmatrix}, \quad e^{B_j^* t} = e^{-ct} \begin{bmatrix} a(j) & -b(j) \\ d(j) & c(j) \end{bmatrix},$$

where

$$a(j) = \cos l_j t + \frac{\eta}{2l_j} \sin l_j t, \quad b(j) = \frac{\sin l_j t}{l_j},$$

$$c(j) = \gamma S(j) \lambda_j^{\beta/2} \sin l_j t, \quad d(j) = \cos l_j t - \frac{\eta}{2l_j} \sin l_j t, \quad S(j) = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_j^\beta}{4\gamma \lambda_j^\beta - \eta^2}}.$$

Then

$$e^{-B_j s} B B^* e^{-B_j^* s} = \begin{bmatrix} b(j)c(j)\lambda_j^{\beta/2} I & -b(j)d(j)I \\ -d(j)c(j)\lambda_j^{\beta/2} I & d^2(j)I \end{bmatrix}.$$

Therefore,

$$\overline{W}_j(t_1) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\gamma S(j) \lambda_j^{\beta/2}}{l_j} k_{11}(j) & \frac{1}{l_j} k_{12}(j) \\ -\gamma S(j) \lambda_j^{\beta/2} k_{21}(j) & k_{22}(j) \end{bmatrix},$$

where

$$k_{11}(j) = \int_0^{t_1} e^{2cs} \sin^2 l_j s ds$$

$$k_{12}(j) = - \int_0^{t_1} e^{2cs} \left[ \sin l_j s \cos l_j s - \frac{\eta \sin^2 l_j s}{2l_j} \right] ds$$

$$k_{21}(j) = \int_0^{t_1} e^{2cs} \left[ \sin l_j s \cos l_j s - \frac{\eta \sin^2 l_j s}{2l_j} \right] ds$$

$$k_{22}(j) = \int_0^{t_1} e^{2cs} \left[ \cos l_j s - \frac{\eta \sin l_j s}{2l_j} \right]^2 ds.$$

The determinant  $\Delta(j)$  of the matrix  $\overline{W}_j(t_1)$  is

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta(j) &= \frac{\gamma S(j) \lambda_j^{\beta/2}}{l_j} [k_{11}(j)k_{22}(j) - k_{12}(j)k_{21}(j)] \\ &= \frac{\gamma S(j) \lambda_j^{\beta/2}}{l_j} \left\{ \left( \int_0^{t_1} e^{2cs} \sin^2 l_j s ds \right) \left( \int_0^{t_1} e^{2cs} \left[ \cos l_j s - \frac{\eta \sin l_j s}{2l_j} \right]^2 ds \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \left( \int_0^{t_1} e^{2cs} \left[ \sin l_j s \cos l_j s - \frac{\eta \sin^2 l_j s}{2l_j} \right] ds \right)^2 \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Passing to the limit as  $j$  approaches  $\infty$ , we obtain

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \Delta(j) = \frac{(e^{2ct_1} - 1)(1 - 2e^{ct_1} + e^{2ct_1})}{2^4 c^3}.$$

Therefore, there exist constants  $R_1, R_2 > 0$  such that  $0 < R_1 < |\Delta(j)| < R_2$ ,  $j = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ . Hence,

$$\overline{W}^{-1}(j) = \frac{1}{\Delta(j)} \begin{bmatrix} k_{22}(j) & -\frac{1}{l_j} k_{12}(j) \\ \gamma S(j) \lambda_j^{\beta/2} k_{21}(j) & \frac{\gamma S(j) \lambda_j^{\beta/2}}{l_j} k_{11}(j) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_{11}(j) & b_{12}(j) \\ b_{21}(j) \lambda_j^{\beta/2} & b_{22}(j) \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $b_{n,m}(j)$  are bounded for  $n = 1, 2$ ;  $m = 1, 2$ ;  $j = 1, 2, \dots$ . Using the same computation as in Theorem 3.2 we can prove the existence of a constant  $L_2(\eta, \gamma)$  such that

$$\|W_j^{-1}(t_1)\|_{Z_{\beta/2}} \leq L_2(\eta, \gamma), \quad j = 1, 2, \dots$$

Now, we define the linear bounded operators  $W(t_1) : Z_{\beta/2} \rightarrow Z_{\beta/2}$ ,  $W^{-1}(t_1) : Z_{\beta/2} \rightarrow Z_{\beta/2}$ , by

$$W(t_1)z = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} W_j(t_1)P_j z, \quad W^{-1}(t_1)z = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} W_j^{-1}(t_1)P_j z.$$

Using these definitions we see that  $W(t_1)W^{-1}(t_1)z = z$  and

$$W(t_1)z = \int_0^{t_1} T(-s)BB^*T^*(-s)z ds.$$

Finally, we show that given  $z \in Z_{\beta/2}$  there exists a control  $u \in L^2(0, t_1; X)$  such that  $Gu = z$ . In fact, let  $u$  be the control

$$u(t) = B^*T^*(-t)W^{-1}(t_1)z, \quad t \in [0, t_1].$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} Gu &= \int_0^{t_1} T(-s)Bu(s)ds \\ &= \int_0^{t_1} T(-s)BB^*T^*(-s)W^{-1}(t_1)z ds \\ &= \left( \int_0^{t_1} T(-s)BB^*T^*(-s)ds \right) W^{-1}(t_1)z \\ &= W(t_1)W^{-1}(t_1)z = z. \end{aligned}$$

Then the control steering an initial state  $z_0$  to a final state  $z_1$  in time  $t_1 > 0$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} u(t) &= B^*T^*(-t)W^{-1}(t_1)(T(-t_1)z_1 - z_0) \\ &= B^*T^*(-t) \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} W_j^{-1}(t_1)P_j(T(-t_1)z_1 - z_0). \end{aligned}$$

□

## 5. EXACT CONTROLLABILITY OF THE NON-LINEAR SYSTEM

Now, we give the definition of controllability in terms of the non-linear systems

$$\begin{aligned} z' &= Az + Bu + F(t, z, u(t)) \quad z \in Z_{\beta/2}, \quad t > 0, \\ z(0) &= z_0. \end{aligned} \tag{5.1}$$

For all  $z_0 \in Z_{\beta/2}$ , equation (5.1) has a unique mild solution

$$z(t) = T(t)z_0 + \int_0^t T(t)T(-s)[Bu(s) + F(s, z(s), u(s))]ds. \tag{5.2}$$

**Definition 5.1.** We say that system (5.1) is exactly controllable on  $[0, t_1]$ ,  $t_1 > 0$ , if for all  $z_0, z_1 \in Z_{\beta/2}$  there exists a control  $u \in L^2(0, t_1; X)$  such that the solution  $z(t)$  of (5.2) corresponding to  $u$ , verifies:  $z(t_1) = z_1$ .

Consider the non-linear operator  $G_F : L^2(0, t_1; U) \rightarrow Z_{\beta/2}$ , given by

$$G_F u = \int_0^{t_1} T(-s)B(s)u(s)ds + \int_0^{t_1} T(-s)F(s, z(s), u(s))ds, \quad (5.3)$$

where  $z(t) = z(t; z_0, u)$  is the corresponding solution of (5.2). Then the following proposition is a characterization of the exact controllability of the non-linear system (5.1).

**Proposition 5.2.** *The system (5.1) is exactly controllable on  $[0, t_1]$  if and only if, the operator  $G_F$  is surjective, that is to say*

$$G_F L^2(0, t_1; X) = \text{Range}(G_F) = Z_{\beta/2}.$$

**Lemma 5.3.** *Let  $u_1, u_2 \in L^2(0, t_1; X)$ ,  $z_0 \in Z_{\beta/2}$  and  $z_1(t; z_0, u_1)$ ,  $z_2(t; z_0, u_2)$  the corresponding solutions of (5.2). Then*

$$\|z_1(t) - z_2(t)\|_{Z_{\beta/2}} \leq M[\|B\| + L]e^{MLt_1}\sqrt{t_1}\|u_1 - u_2\|_{L^2(0, t_1; X)}, \quad (5.4)$$

where  $0 \leq t \leq t_1$  and

$$M = \sup_{0 \leq s \leq t \leq t_1} \{\|T(t)\|\|T(-s)\|\}. \quad (5.5)$$

*Proof.* Let  $z_1, z_2$  be solutions of (5.2) corresponding to  $u_1, u_2$  respectively. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|z_1(t) - z_2(t)\| &\leq \int_0^t \|T(t)\|\|T(-s)\|\|B\|\|u_1(s) - u_2(s)\| \\ &\quad + \int_0^t \|T(t)\|\|T(-s)\|\|F(s, z_1(s), u_1(s)) - F(s, z_2(s), u_2(s))\|ds \\ &\leq M[\|B\| + L] \int_0^t \|u_1(s) - u_2(s)\| + ML \int_0^t \|z_1(s) - z_2(s)\|ds \\ &\leq M[\|B\| + L]\sqrt{t_1}\|u_1 - u_2\| + ML \int_0^{t_1} \|z_1(s) - z_2(s)\|ds. \end{aligned}$$

Using Gronwall's inequality, we obtain

$$\|z_1(t) - z_2(t)\|_{Z_{\beta/2}} \leq M[\|B\| + L]e^{MLt_1}\sqrt{t_1}\|u_1 - u_2\|_{L^2(0, t_1; X)},$$

for  $0 \leq t \leq t_1$ . □

Now, we are ready to formulate and prove the main Theorem of this section.

**Theorem 5.4.** *If in addition of condition (2.8),*

$$\|B\|ML\|W^{-1}(t_1)\|K(t_1)t_1 < 1, \quad (5.6)$$

where  $K(t_1) = M[\|B\| + L]e^{MLt_1}t_1 + 1$ , then the non-linear system (5.1) is exactly controllable on  $[0, t_1]$ .

*Proof.* Given the initial state  $z_0$  and the final state  $z_1$ , and  $u_1 \in L^2(0, t_1; X)$ , there exists  $u_2 \in L^2(0, t_1; X)$  such that

$$0 = z_1 - \int_0^{t_1} T(-s)F(s, z_1(s), u_1(s))ds - \int_0^{t_1} T(-s)Bu_2(s)ds,$$

where  $z_1(t) = z(t; z_0, u_1)$  is the corresponding solution of (5.2). Moreover,  $u_2$  can be chosen as

$$u_2(t) = B^*T^*(-t)W^{-1}(t_1)\left(z_1 - \int_0^{t_1} T(-s)F(s, z_1(s), u_1(s))ds\right).$$

For such  $u_2$  there exists  $u_3 \in L^2(0, t_1; X)$  such that

$$0 = z_1 - \int_0^{t_1} T(-s)F(s, z_2(s), u_2(s))ds - \int_0^{t_1} T(-s)Bu_3(s)ds,$$

where  $z_2(t) = z(t; z_0, u_2)$  is the corresponding solution of (5.2), and  $u_3$  can be taken as follows:

$$u_3(t) = B^*T^*(-t)W^{-1}(t_1)\left(z_1 - \int_0^{t_1} T(-s)F(s, z_2(s), u_2(s))ds\right).$$

Following this process we obtain two sequences

$$\{u_n\} \subset L^2(0, t_1; X), \quad \{z_n\} \subset L^2(0, t_1; Z_{\beta/2}), \quad (z_n(t) = z(t; z_0, u_n)) \quad n = 1, 2, \dots,$$

such that

$$u_{n+1}(t) = B^*T^*(-t)W^{-1}(t_1)\left(z_1 - \int_0^{t_1} T(-s)F(s, z_n(s), u_n(s))ds\right) \quad (5.7)$$

$$0 = z_1 - \int_0^{t_1} T(-s)F(s, z_n(s), u_n(s))ds - \int_0^{t_1} T(-s)Bu_{n+1}(s)ds. \quad (5.8)$$

Now, we shall prove that  $\{z_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $L^2(0, t_1; Z_{\beta/2})$ . In fact, from formula (5.7) we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} & u_{n+1}(t) - u_n(t) \\ &= B^*T^*(-t)W^{-1}(t_1)\left(\int_0^{t_1} T(-s)(F(s, z_{n-1}(s), u_{n-1}(s)) - F(s, z_n(s), u_n(s)))ds\right). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, using lemma 5.3 we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \|u_{n+1}(t) - u_n(t)\| \\ &\leq \|B\|ML\|W^{-1}(t_1)\| \int_0^{t_1} (\|z_n(s) - z_{n-1}(s)\| + \|u_n(s) - u_{n-1}(s)\|) ds \\ &\leq \|B\|ML\|W^{-1}(t_1)\| \int_0^{t_1} M[\|B\| + L]e^{MLt_1}\sqrt{t_1}\|u_n(s) - u_{n-1}(s)\| ds \\ &\quad + \|B\|ML\|W^{-1}(t_1)\| \int_0^{t_1} \|u_n(s) - u_{n-1}(s)\| ds. \end{aligned}$$

Using Hóder's inequality, we obtain

$$\|u_{n+1} - u_n\|_{L^2(0, t_1; X)} \leq \|B\|ML\|W^{-1}(t_1)\|K(t_1)t_1\|u_{n+1} - u_n\|_{L^2(0, t_1; X)}. \quad (5.9)$$

Since  $\|B\|ML\|W^{-1}(t_1)\|K(t_1)t_1 < 1$ , it follows that  $\{u_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $L^2(0, t_1; X)$ . Therefore, there exists  $u \in L^2(0, t_1; X)$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = u$  in  $L^2(0, t_1; X)$ .

Let  $z(t) = z(t; z_0, u)$  the corresponding solution of (5.2). Then we shall prove that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{t_1} T(-s)F(s, z_n(s), u_n(s))ds = \int_0^{t_1} T(-s)F(s, z(s), u(s))ds.$$

In fact, using lemma 5.3 we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \int_0^{t_1} T(-s)[F(s, z_n(s), u_n(s)) - F(s, z(s), u(s))]ds \right\| \\ &\leq \int_0^{t_1} ML[\|z_n(s) - z(s)\| + \|u_n(s) - u(s)\|]ds \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \int_0^{t_1} ML[M(\|B\| + L)e^{MLt_1}\sqrt{t_1}\|u_n - u\|_{L^2(0,t_1;X)} + \|u_n(s) - u(s)\|]ds \\ &\leq MLK(t_1)\sqrt{t_1}\|u_n - u\|_{L^2(0,t_1;X)}. \end{aligned}$$

From here we obtain the result. Finally, passing to the limit in (5.8) as  $n$  approaches  $\infty$ , we obtain

$$0 = z_1 - \int_0^{t_1} T(-s)F(s, z(s), u(s))ds - \int_0^{t_1} T(-s)Bu(s)ds.$$

i.e.,  $G_F u = z_1$ . □

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