

# Null Controllability of Some Impulsive Evolution Equation in a Hilbert Space

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## Abstract

We shall establish a necessary and sufficient condition under which we have the null controllability of some first order impulsive evolution equation in a Hilbert space.

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## 1 Introduction

The problem of exact controllability of linear systems represented by infinite conservative systems has been extensively studied by several authors A. Haraux [8], R.Triggiani [16], Z.H. Guan, T.H. Qian, and X.Yu [7], see also the references [1, 2, 6, 10,15]. In the sequel, we shall be concerned with the problem of null controllability of some first order evolution equation subject to impulsive conditions and so we shall derive a necessary and sufficient condition under which null controllability occurs. Actually, we shall establish an equivalence between the null-controllability and some "observability" inequality in somehow more general framework than that proposed by A Haraux [8]. Regarding the literature on the impulsive differential equations we refer the reader to the works of D.D. Bainov and P.S. Simeonov [3, 4] and

the references [5, 9, 11, 12, 13]. We are going to study the following problem

$$y'(t) + Ay(t) = Bu(t), \quad t \in (0, T) \setminus \{t_k\}_{k \in \sigma_1^m}, \quad (1)$$

$$y(0) = y^0,$$

$$\Delta y(t_k) = I_k y(t_k) + D_k v_k, \quad k \in \sigma_1^m, \quad (1_k)$$

where the final time  $T$  is a positive number,  $y^0$  is an initial condition in a Hilbert space  $H$  endowed with an inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_H$ ,  $y(t) : [0, T] \rightarrow H$  is a vector function,  $\sigma_1^m$  is a subset of  $\mathbb{N}$  given by  $\sigma_1^m = \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$ , and finally,  $\{t_k\}_{k \in \sigma_1^m}$  is an increasing sequence of numbers in the open interval  $(0, T)$ , and  $\Delta y(t_k)$  denotes the jump of  $y(t)$  at  $t = t_k$ , *i. e.*,

$$\Delta y(t_k) = y(t_k^+) - y(t_k^-)$$

where  $y(t_k^+)$  and  $y(t_k^-)$  represent the right and left limits of  $y(t)$  at  $t = t_k$  respectively. On the other hand, the operators  $A, B, I_k, D_k : H \rightarrow H$  are given linear bounded operators. Moreover, we set the following assumptions:

**(H1)**  $A^* = -A$ ,

**(H2)**  $I_k^* = -I_k$ , for every  $k \in \sigma_1^m$ , and for each  $k \in \sigma_1^m$ , the operator  $\mathcal{I}_k = I_k + I$  is invertible,

**(H3)**  $B^* = B \geq 0$  and there is  $d_0 > 0$  such that

$$(Bu, u)_H \leq d_0 \|u\|_H^2, \quad \text{for all } u \in H,$$

**(H4)**  $D_k^* = D_k \geq 0$ , for every  $k \in \sigma_1^m$ , and for each  $k \in \sigma_1^m$  there is  $d_k > 0$  such that

$$(D_k u, u)_H \leq d_k \|u\|_H^2, \quad \text{for all } u \in H.$$

In the sequel we shall designate by  $h$  the function

$$h(t) = \left( u(t), \{v_k\}_{k \in \sigma_1^m} \right),$$

where  $u(t) \in L^2\left((0, T) \setminus \{t_k\}_{k \in \sigma_1^m}; H\right)$  and

$$\{v_k\}_{k \in \sigma_1^m} \in l^2(\sigma_1^m; H) \doteq \left\{ \{v_k\}_{k \in \sigma_1^m}, v_k \in H \right\}.$$

We point out that the space  $\mathcal{K}_m = L^2\left((0, T) \setminus \{t_k\}_{k \in \sigma_1^m}; H\right) \times l^2(\sigma_1^m; H)$  is a Hilbert space with respect to the inner product

$$(h, \tilde{h})_{\mathcal{K}_m} = \int_0^T (u(t), \tilde{u}(t))_H dt + \sum_{k=1}^m (v_k, \tilde{v}_k)_H,$$

defined for all  $h = (u(t), \{v_k\}_{k=1}^m)$  and  $\tilde{h} = (\tilde{u}(t), \{\tilde{v}_k\}_{k=1}^m) \in \mathcal{K}_m$ . We shall denote by  $\mathcal{B}$  the control operator given by

$$\mathcal{B} = \left(B, \{D_k\}_{k \in \sigma_1^m}\right) \in \mathcal{L}\left(L^2\left((0, T) \setminus \{t_k\}_{k \in \sigma_1^m}; H\right) \times l^2(\sigma_1^m; H)\right),$$

so that

$$\mathcal{B}h(t) = \left(Bu(t), \{D_k v_k\}_{k \in \sigma_1^m}\right).$$

We have for every  $h = (u(t), \{v_k\}_{k=1}^m) \in \mathcal{K}_m$

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{B}h, h)_{\mathcal{K}_m} &= \int_0^T (Bu(t), u(t))_H dt + \sum_{k=1}^m (D_k v_k, v_k)_H \\ &= \int_0^T (u(t), Bu(t))_H dt + \sum_{k=1}^m (v_k, D_k v_k)_H \\ &= (h, \mathcal{B}h)_{\mathcal{K}_m}, \end{aligned}$$

which shows that  $\mathcal{B}^* = \mathcal{B}$ , that is,  $\mathcal{B}$  is self-adjoint. On the other hand, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{B}h, h)_{\mathcal{K}_m} &= \int_0^T (Bu(t), u(t))_H dt + \sum_{k=1}^m (D_k v_k, v_k)_H \\ &\leq d_0 \int_0^T \|u(t)\|_H^2 dt + \sum_{k=1}^m d_k \|v_k\|_H^2 \\ &\leq \delta \|h\|_{\mathcal{K}_m}^2, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\delta = \max\{d_0, d_1, \dots, d_m\}$ . Thus, the operator is  $\mathcal{B}$  bounded in  $\mathcal{K}_m$ .

Next, we consider the *homogeneous system* associated with (1) :

$$\varphi'(t) + A\varphi(t) = 0, \quad t \in (0, T) \setminus \{t_k\}_{k \in \sigma_1^m}, \quad (2)$$

$$\varphi(0) = \varphi^0,$$

$$\Delta\varphi(t_k) = I_k\varphi(t_k), \quad k \in \sigma_1^m. \quad (2_k)$$

We point out that on each interval  $[t_k, t_{k+1})$ , for  $k = 0, \dots, m$ , the solution  $\varphi$  is left continuous at each time  $t_k$ .

Consider the corresponding homogeneous backward problem :

$$-\tilde{\varphi}'(t) + \mathbf{A}\tilde{\varphi}(t) = 0, \quad t \in (0, T) \setminus \{t_k\}_{k \in \sigma_1^m}, \quad (3)$$

$$\tilde{\varphi}(T) = \varphi^0,$$

$$\Delta\tilde{\varphi}(t_{m-(k-1)}) = -\tilde{I}_{m-(k-1)}\tilde{\varphi}(t_{m-(k-1)}^+), \quad k \in \sigma_1^m, \quad (3_k)$$

where

$$\mathbf{A} = A^* = -A, \quad \tilde{I}_{m-(k-1)} = I_{m-(k-1)}^* = -I_{m-(k-1)}, \quad k \in \sigma_1^m.$$

We observe that the problem (3) on the interval  $[t_m, T]$  is equivalent to the classical backward problem

$$\begin{aligned} -\tilde{\varphi}'(t) + \mathbf{A}\tilde{\varphi}(t) &= 0, \quad t \in [t_m, T], \\ \tilde{\varphi}(T) &= \varphi^0. \end{aligned}$$

We introduce the following space :  $\mathcal{PC}([0, T]; H) = \{y, y : [0, T] \rightarrow H \text{ such that } y(t) \text{ is continuous at } t \neq t_k, \text{ and has discontinuities of first kind at } t = t_k, \text{ for every } k \in \sigma_1^m\}$ .

Evidently,  $\mathcal{PC}([0, T]; H)$  is a Banach space with respect to the norm

$$\|y\|_{\mathcal{PC}} = \sup_{t \in (0, T)} \|y(t)\|.$$

On the other hand, we define the subspaces  $\mathcal{PLC}$ , (respectively,  $\mathcal{PRC}$ ) =  $\{y, y \in \mathcal{PC} \text{ such that } y(t) \text{ is left (respectively, right) continuous at } t = t_k, \text{ for every } k \in \sigma_1^m\}$ .

**Remark 1** 1) The space  $\mathcal{PLC}$ , (respectively,  $\mathcal{PRC}$ ) can be identified to a subspace of  $\mathcal{K}_m$ . That is, to each  $y \in \mathcal{PLC}$ , (respectively,  $\tilde{y} \in \mathcal{PRC}$ ) is assigned the function  $\mathbf{h}$  (respectively,  $\tilde{\mathbf{h}}$ ) defined by

$$\mathbf{h}(t) = \left( y(t), \{y(t_k)\}_{k \in \sigma_1^m} \right),$$

and

$$\tilde{\mathbf{h}}(t) = \left( \tilde{y}(t), \{\tilde{y}(t_k)\}_{k \in \sigma_1^m} \right).$$

The mapping  $y \mapsto \mathbf{h}(t)$  (respectively,  $\tilde{y} \mapsto \tilde{\mathbf{h}}$ ) is a linear injection.

2) Let  $\tilde{y} \in \mathcal{PRC}$ , the function  $y$  can be written as :

$$\tilde{y}(t) = \begin{cases} \tilde{y}_{[0]}(t) & \text{if } t \in [t_0, t_1) \\ \tilde{y}_{[k]}(t) & \text{if } t \in [t_k, t_{k+1}) \\ \tilde{y}_{[m]}(t) & \text{if } t \in [t_m, T]. \end{cases}$$

Next, let  $\tau_k = t_k - t_{k-1}$ , we define the operator  $\mathcal{T} : D(\mathcal{T}) = \mathcal{PRC} \subset \mathcal{K}_m \rightarrow \mathcal{K}_m$  by

$$(\mathcal{T}\tilde{y})(t) = \begin{cases} \tilde{y}_{[0]}((T-t)\frac{\tau_1}{\tau_{m+1}} + t_0) & \text{if } t \in [t_m, T], \\ \tilde{y}_{[k]}((t_{m-(k-1)} - t)\frac{\tau_{k+1}}{\tau_{m-(k-1)}} + t_k) & \text{if } t \in [t_{m-k}, t_{m-(k-1)}), \quad k \in \sigma_1^{m-1}, \\ \tilde{y}_{[m]}((t_1 - t)\frac{\tau_{m+1}}{\tau_1} + t_m) & \text{if } t \in (0, t_1]. \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

We note that the range of  $\mathcal{T}$  is exactly  $\mathcal{P}\mathcal{L}\mathcal{C}$ . The function  $(\mathcal{T}\tilde{y})(t)$  can be written as follows:

$$(\mathcal{T}\tilde{y})(t) = \begin{cases} y_{[0]}(t) & \text{if } t \in [t_0, t_1], \\ y_{[k]}(t) & \text{if } t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}], \quad k \in \sigma_1^{m-1}, \\ y_{[m]}(t) & \text{if } t \in (t_m, T]. \end{cases}$$

Let  $X(t)$  be the resolvent solution of the operator system

$$\begin{aligned} X'(t) + AX(t) &= 0, \quad 0 = t_0 < t < t_{m+1} = T, \quad t \neq t_k, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, m, \\ X(0) &= I, \\ X(t_k + 0) - X(t_k - 0) &= I_k X(t_k), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, m, \end{aligned}$$

where  $I : H \rightarrow H$  is the identity operator. We shall suppose that the operator  $\mathcal{I}_k = I_k + I$  has a bounded inverse.

**Definition 1** A function  $y \in \mathcal{PC}([0, T]; H)$  is a mild solution to the impulsive problem (1) if the impulsive conditions are satisfied and

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= G(t, 0^+)y^0 + \int_0^t G(t, s)Bu(s) ds \\ &+ \sum_{0 < t_k \leq t} G(t, t_k)(D_k v_k), \quad \text{for every } t \in (0, T), \end{aligned}$$

where the evolution operator  $G(t, s)$  is given by

$$G(t, s) = X(t)X^{-1}(s).$$

It is not hard to check that the operator  $G(t, t_k)$  satisfies the operator system

$$\begin{aligned} G'(t, t_k) + AG(t, t_k) &= 0, \quad t \in [t_k, t_{k+1}), \quad k \in \sigma_0^m, \\ G(t_k, t_k) &= I, \\ G(t_{k+1}^+, t_k) - G(t_{k+1}^-, t_k) &= I_{k+1}G(t_{k+1}^-, t_k). \end{aligned}$$

It is well known that (1) has a unique solution  $y$  such that

$$y \in \mathcal{PLC}([0, T]; H) \cap C^1\left([0, T] \setminus \{t_k\}_{k \in \sigma_1^m}; H\right).$$

Now, we define the concept of mild solution for the backward impulsive system (3) associated with system (2).

**Definition 2** We say that  $\tilde{\varphi} \in \mathcal{PRC}([0, T]; H)$  is a mild solution for the backward impulsive system (3) if  $\mathcal{T}\tilde{\varphi}$  is a mild solution for the homogeneous impulsive system (2).

Let us introduce the notion of the null controllability of the initial state as follows:

**Definition 3** We say that the initial state  $y^0 \in H$  is null controllable at time  $T$ , if there is a control function  $h \in \mathcal{K}_m$  for which the solution  $y$  of system (1) satisfies  $y(T) = 0$ .

## 2 Main Results

First we begin by the following lemma.

**Lemma 1** Assume that  $\xi(t), \zeta(t) \in L^1([0, T]; H)$  and  $\{\xi_k\}_{k=1}^m, \{\zeta_k\}_{k=1}^m \in l^1(\sigma_1^m, H)$ . Then, for every vector functions

$$\gamma(t) \in \mathcal{PLC}([0, T]; H) \cap C^1\left([0, T] \setminus \{t_k\}_{k \in \sigma_1^m}; H\right)$$

and

$$\eta(t) \in \mathcal{PRC}([0, T]; H) \cap C^1\left([0, T] \setminus \{t_k\}_{k \in \sigma_1^m}; H\right)$$

satisfying the problem

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt}\langle \gamma(t), \eta(t) \rangle &= \langle \xi(t), \zeta(t) \rangle, \quad t \neq t_k, \text{ for } k \in \sigma_1^m, \\ \Delta\langle \gamma(t_k), \eta(t_k) \rangle &= \langle \Delta\gamma(t_k), \eta(t_k) \rangle + \langle \gamma(t_k), \Delta\eta(t_k) \rangle = \langle \xi_k, \zeta_k \rangle, \quad k \in \sigma_1^m, \end{aligned}$$

we have the following identity

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \gamma(t), \eta(t) \rangle \Big|_0^T &= \langle \gamma(T), \eta(T) \rangle - \langle \gamma(0), \eta(0) \rangle \\ &= \int_0^T \langle \xi(t), \zeta(t) \rangle dt + \sum_{k=1}^m \langle \xi_k, \zeta_k \rangle. \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

*Proof.* It is straightforward.  $\square$

We also need the following Lemmas.

**Lemma 2** [14] *If  $\mathcal{B} \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{K}_m)$  is self-adjoint and nonnegative, then*

$$\|\mathcal{B}h\| \leq \|\mathcal{B}\|^{1/2} (\mathcal{B}h, h)_{\mathcal{K}_m}^{1/2}, \quad h \in \mathcal{K}_m.$$

**Lemma 3** *If  $\tau_{k+1} = \tau_{m-(k-1)}$ ,  $k \in \sigma_0^{m-1}$ , then for the mild solution  $\tilde{\varphi}$  of (3), the identity holds :*

$$\int_0^T |B\tilde{\varphi}|_H^2 dt + \sum_{k=1}^m |D_k \tilde{\varphi}(t_k^+)|_H^2 = \int_0^T |B\varphi|_H^2 dt + \sum_{k=1}^m |D_k \varphi(t_{m-(k-1)})|_H^2. \quad (6)$$

*Proof.* For each  $k \in \sigma_0^m$ , using the change of variable  $t \rightarrow (t_{m-(k-1)} - t) \frac{\tau_{k+1}}{\tau_{m-(k-1)}} + t_k$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{t_{m-k}}^{t_{m-(k-1)}} (B\varphi_{[m-k]}(t), B\varphi_{[m-k]}(t)) dt \\ &= \int_{t_{m-k}}^{t_{m-(k-1)}} (B\tilde{\varphi}_{[k]}((t_{m-(k-1)} - t) \frac{\tau_{k+1}}{\tau_{m-(k-1)}} + t_k), B\tilde{\varphi}_{[k]}((t_{m-(k-1)} - t) \frac{\tau_{k+1}}{\tau_{m-(k-1)}} + t_k)) dt \\ &= \frac{-\tau_{m-(k-1)}}{\tau_{k+1}} \int_{t_{k+1}}^{t_k} (B\tilde{\varphi}_{[k]}(s), B\tilde{\varphi}_{[k]}(s)) ds \\ &= \int_{t_k}^{t_{k+1}} (B\tilde{\varphi}_{[k]}(s), B\tilde{\varphi}_{[k]}(s)) ds. \end{aligned}$$

Summing up with respect to  $k$ , we get

$$\sum_{k=0}^m \int_{t_{m-k}}^{t_{m-(k-1)}} (B\varphi_{[m-k]}(t), B\varphi_{[m-k]}(t)) dt = \sum_{k=0}^m \int_{t_k}^{t_{k+1}} (B\tilde{\varphi}_{[k]}(t), B\tilde{\varphi}_{[k]}(t)) dt.$$

Thus, we obtain

$$\int_0^T |B\tilde{\varphi}|_H^2 dt = \int_0^T |B\varphi|_H^2 dt.$$

On the other hand, by virtue of the definition of the function  $\tilde{\varphi}$  we get

$$\varphi(t_{m-k}) = \tilde{\varphi}(t_{k+1}), \quad k \in \sigma_0^{m-1}.$$

Also, we have

$$\varphi(t_{m-(k-1)}) = \tilde{\varphi}(t_k), \quad k \in \sigma_1^m,$$

and

$$\tilde{\varphi}(t_{m-k}) = \varphi(t_{k+1}), \quad k \in \sigma_0^{m-1}.$$

This implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^m |D_k \tilde{\varphi}(t_k)|_H^2 &= \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \langle D_{m-k} \tilde{\varphi}(t_{m-k}), D_{m-k} \tilde{\varphi}(t_{m-k}) \rangle_H \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \langle D_{m-k} \varphi(t_{k+1}), D_{m-k} \varphi(t_{k+1}) \rangle_H \\ &= \sum_{l=1}^m \langle D_l \varphi(t_{m-(l-1)}), D_l \varphi(t_{m-(l-1)}) \rangle_H \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^m \langle D_k \varphi(t_{m-(k-1)}), D_k \varphi(t_{m-(k-1)}) \rangle_H \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^m |D_k \varphi(t_{m-(k-1)})|_H^2, \end{aligned}$$

which gives (6). □

**Corollary 1** *If  $\tau_{k+1} = \tau_{m-(k-1)}$ , for  $k \in \sigma_0^{m-1}$ , and  $B, D_k$  are nonnegative in  $H$ , then the following holds:*

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_0^T \langle B\tilde{\varphi}(t), \tilde{\varphi}(t) \rangle dt + \sum_{k=1}^{k=m} \langle D_k \tilde{\varphi}(t_k), \tilde{\varphi}(t_k) \rangle \\ &= \int_0^T \langle B\varphi(t), \varphi(t) \rangle dt + \sum_{k=1}^{k=m} \langle D_k \varphi(t_{m-(k-1)}), \varphi(t_{m-(k-1)}) \rangle. \end{aligned}$$



*Proof.* This follows immediately from Lemma 3 if we substitute  $B$  by  $B^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , and  $D_k$  by  $D_k^{\frac{1}{2}}$ .  $\square$

Now, we state and establish the following Theorem.

**Theorem 1** *Let  $y^0 \in H$  be a given initial state for the system (1), then  $y^0$  is null controllable at time  $T$  if and only if there is a positive constant  $C$  such that*

$$|\langle y^0, \tilde{\varphi}^0 \rangle_H| \leq C \left\{ \int_0^T |B\varphi|_H^2 dt + \sum_{k=1}^m |D_k \varphi(t_{m-(k-1)})|_H^2 \right\}^{1/2}, \quad \forall \tilde{\varphi}^0 \in H, \quad (7)$$

where  $\varphi \in \mathcal{P}\mathcal{L}\mathcal{C}([0, T]; H)$  is the unique mild solution to (2) with  $\varphi(T) = \tilde{\varphi}^0$ .

*Proof.* It suffices to prove this Theorem for the special case  $\tau_{k+1} = \tau_{m-(k-1)}$ , for  $k \in \sigma_0^{m-1}$ , because the norm  $\|\cdot\| \doteq \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^m \frac{\tau_{m-(k-1)}}{\tau_{k+1}} \int_{t_k}^{t_{k+1}} |\cdot|_H^2 dt \right\}^{1/2}$  is equivalent to the usual norm of  $L^2([0, T]; H)$ .

We shall proceed in several steps.

**Step 1:** Let  $y$  and  $\tilde{\varphi}$  be strong solutions to (1) and (3), respectively. Then, for  $t \neq t_k$ ,  $k \in \sigma_1^m$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \langle y(t), \tilde{\varphi}(t) \rangle &= \langle y(t), \tilde{\varphi}'(t) \rangle + \langle y'(t), \tilde{\varphi}(t) \rangle \\ &= \langle y(t), -A\tilde{\varphi}(t) \rangle + \langle -Ay(t) + Bu(t), \tilde{\varphi}(t) \rangle \\ &= \langle y(t), -A\tilde{\varphi}(t) \rangle + \langle -Ay(t), \tilde{\varphi}(t) \rangle + \langle Bu(t), \tilde{\varphi}(t) \rangle \\ &= \langle Bu(t), \tilde{\varphi}(t) \rangle. \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

Multiplying equation (3<sub>k</sub>) in (3) from the left by  $y(t_{m-(k-1)})$  the solution of (1), and multiplying equation (1<sub>k</sub>) in (1) from the right by  $\tilde{\varphi}(t_k)$  the solution of (3), and finally adding memberwise we get

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta \langle y(t), \tilde{\varphi}(t) \rangle|_{t=t_k} &= \langle y(t_k), \Delta \tilde{\varphi}(t_k) \rangle + \langle \Delta y(t_k), \tilde{\varphi}(t_k) \rangle \\ &= \langle y(t_k), I_k \tilde{\varphi}(t_k) \rangle + \langle I_k y(t_k) + D_k v_k, \tilde{\varphi}(t_k) \rangle \\ &= \langle y(t_k), I_k \tilde{\varphi}(t_k) \rangle + \langle I_k y(t_k), \tilde{\varphi}(t_k) \rangle + \langle D_k v_k, \tilde{\varphi}(t_k) \rangle \\ &= \langle D_k v_k, \tilde{\varphi}(t_k) \rangle. \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

Setting  $\gamma(t) = y(t)$ ,  $\eta(t) = \tilde{\varphi}(t)$ ,  $\xi(t) = Bu(t)$ ,  $\zeta(t) = \tilde{\varphi}(t)$ ,  $\xi_k = D_k v_k$ ,  $\zeta_k = \tilde{\varphi}(t_k)$ , then equations (5), (8) and (9) give

$$\langle y(T), \tilde{\varphi}(T) \rangle - \langle y(0), \tilde{\varphi}(0) \rangle = \int_0^T \langle Bu(t), \tilde{\varphi}(t) \rangle dt + \sum_{k=1}^{k=m} \langle D_k v_k, \tilde{\varphi}(t_k) \rangle. \quad (10)$$

Since  $\mathcal{B}$  is bounded, self-adjoint and  $\mathcal{B} \geq 0$ , then by density the latter identity is still valid for mild solutions  $y$  of (1). Identity (10) can be written as follows

$$\langle y(T), \tilde{\varphi}(T) \rangle - \langle y(0), \tilde{\varphi}(0) \rangle = \int_0^T \langle u(t), B\tilde{\varphi}(t) \rangle dt + \sum_{k=1}^{k=m} \langle v_k, D_k \tilde{\varphi}(t_k) \rangle. \quad (11)$$

Next, if there is a certain  $h(t) \in \mathcal{K}_m$  such that the mild solution of (1) with  $y(0) = y^0$  satisfies  $y(T) = 0$ , then

$$-\langle y(0), \tilde{\varphi}(0) \rangle = \int_0^T \langle u(t), B\tilde{\varphi}(t) \rangle dt + \sum_{k=1}^{k=m} \langle v_k, D_k \tilde{\varphi}(t_k) \rangle,$$

and so by Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |\langle y(0), \tilde{\varphi}(0) \rangle_H| &\leq \left\{ \int_0^T \|u(t)\|_H^2 dt + \sum_{k=1}^{k=m} \|v_k\|_H^2 \right\}^{1/2} \\ &\times \left\{ \int_0^T \|B\tilde{\varphi}(t)\|_H^2 dt + \sum_{k=1}^{k=m} \|D_k \tilde{\varphi}(t_k)\|_H^2 \right\}^{1/2}. \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

Using Lemma 3, and equation (12) we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\langle y(0), \tilde{\varphi}(0) \rangle_H| &\leq \left\{ \int_0^T \|u(t)\|_H^2 dt + \sum_{k=1}^{k=m} \|v_k\|_H^2 \right\}^{1/2} \\ &\times \left\{ \int_0^T \|B\varphi(t)\|_H^2 dt + \sum_{k=1}^{k=m} \|D_k \varphi(t_{m-(k-1)})\|_H^2 \right\}^{1/2}. \end{aligned}$$

Setting

$$C = \|h(t)\|_{\mathcal{K}_m} = \left\{ \int_0^T \|u(t)\|_H^2 dt + \sum_{k=1}^{k=m} \|v_k\|_H^2 \right\}^{1/2}$$

we find that

$$|(\langle y(0), \tilde{\varphi}(0) \rangle_H)| \leq C \left\{ \int_0^T \|B\varphi(t)\|_H^2 dt + \sum_{k=1}^{k=m} \|D_k\varphi(t_{m-(k-1)})\|_H^2 \right\}^{1/2}.$$

This shows the necessary condition of the Theorem.

**Step 2:** To prove the sufficiency we need the following result when  $\mathcal{B} \geq \alpha > 0$ .

**Claim 1** Assume that there is  $\alpha > 0$  such that

$$\left\{ \int_0^T \|Bu(t)\|_H^2 dt + \sum_{k=1}^{k=m} \|D_k v_k\|_H^2 \right\} \geq \alpha \left\{ \int_0^T \|u(t)\|_H^2 dt + \sum_{k=1}^{k=m} \|v_k\|_H^2 \right\}$$

then, for every  $y^0 \in H$  there is  $\varphi^0 \in H$  such that the mild solution of (1) with

$$h(t) = (\tilde{\varphi}(t), \tilde{\varphi}(t_1), \dots, \tilde{\varphi}(t_k), \dots, \tilde{\varphi}(t_m)) \in \mathcal{K}_m \text{ and } y(0) = y^0$$

satisfies  $y(T) = 0$ .

To prove this Claim, we consider for every  $z \in H$  the solution  $\varphi$  of (2) satisfying  $\varphi(T) = z$  and the unique mild solution  $y$  to the problem

$$\begin{aligned} y'(t) + Ay(t) &= B\tilde{\varphi}(t), t \in (0, T) \setminus \{t_k\}_{k \in \sigma_1^m}, \\ \Delta y(t_k) &= I_k y(t_k) + D_k \tilde{\varphi}(t_k), \\ y(T) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Next, we introduce a bounded linear operator  $\Lambda : H \rightarrow H$  defined by

$$\Lambda z = -y(0).$$

According to formula (11) and the Corollary 1 we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\langle \Lambda z, z \rangle| &= |-\langle y(0), \tilde{\varphi}(0) \rangle| = \left| \int_0^T \langle B\tilde{\varphi}(t), \tilde{\varphi}(t) \rangle dt + \sum_{k=1}^{k=m} \langle D_k \tilde{\varphi}(t_k), \tilde{\varphi}(t_k) \rangle \right| \\ &= \left| \int_0^T \langle B\varphi(t), \varphi(t) \rangle dt + \sum_{k=1}^{k=m} \langle D_k \varphi(t_{m-(k-1)}), \varphi(t_{m-(k-1)}) \rangle \right| \\ &\leq \varsigma \left\{ \int_0^T \|\varphi(t)\|^2 dt + \sum_{k=1}^{k=m} \|\varphi(t_k)\|^2 \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\varsigma = \sup_{k \in \sigma_0^m} \{d_k\} < \infty.$$

We have

$$\int_0^T \|\varphi(t)\|^2 dt = \int_0^{t_1} \|\varphi(t)\|^2 dt + \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \|\varphi(t)\|^2 dt + \dots + \int_{t_m}^T \|\varphi(t)\|^2 dt.$$

Since there is no impulse in the interval  $[t_k, t_{k+1})$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\varphi(t)\| &= \|\varphi(t_k^+)\|, \text{ for every } t \in [t_k, t_{k+1}), k \in \sigma_0^m, \\ \|\varphi(t_{k+1}^-)\| &= \|\varphi(t_k^+)\|, \quad k \in \sigma_0^m. \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

Therefore, there are  $\tau_{k+1} = t_{k+1} - t_k > 0$ ,  $k \in \sigma_0^m$  such that

$$\int_{t_k}^{t_{k+1}} \|\varphi(t)\|^2 dt \leq \rho_k \|\varphi(t_k^+)\|^2 = \tau_{k+1} \|I_k \varphi(t_k^-) + \varphi(t_k^-)\|^2, \quad k \in \sigma_1^m. \quad (14)$$

On the other hand, the continuity of  $I_k$  implies that

$$\|\varphi(t_k^+)\|^2 = \|(I_k + I)\varphi(t_k^-)\|^2 \leq (1 + L(I_k))^2 \|\varphi(t_k^-)\|^2, \quad k \in \sigma_1^m. \quad (15)$$

It follows from (14) and (15) that

$$\int_{t_k}^{t_{k+1}} \|\varphi(t)\|^2 dt \leq \tau_{k+1} (1 + L(I_k))^2 \|\varphi(t_k^-)\|^2, \quad k \in \sigma_1^m. \quad (16)$$

Since  $m$  is finite, and due to (13),(16), then there is a constant  $0 < \mu < \infty$  such that  $\langle \Lambda z, z \rangle \leq \mu \|z\|^2$ , and thus,  $\Lambda$  is bounded.

Now, as  $\mathcal{B}$  is nonnegative in  $\mathcal{K}_m$ , we have

$$\|\mathcal{B}\xi(t)\| \geq \alpha \{(\xi(t), \xi(t))_{\mathcal{K}_m}\}^{1/2}$$

for all  $\xi \in \mathcal{K}_m$ ; thus, by virtue of Lemma 2, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\{ \int_0^T (Bu(t), u(t))_H dt + \sum_{k=1}^{k=m} (D_k v_k, v_k)_H \right\} \\ & \geq \alpha \|\mathcal{B}\| \left\{ \int_0^T \|u(t)\|_H^2 dt + \sum_{k=1}^{k=m} \|v_k\|_H^2 \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

It follows from (11), (17) and Corollary 1 that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle \Lambda z, z \rangle &= -\langle y(0), \tilde{\varphi}(0) \rangle \\
 &= \int_0^T \langle B\varphi(t), \varphi(t) \rangle dt + \sum_{k=1}^{k=m} \langle D_k \varphi(t_{m-(k-1)}), \varphi(t_{m-(k-1)}) \rangle \\
 &\geq \alpha \|\mathcal{B}\| \left\{ \int_0^T \|\varphi(t)\|^2 dt + \sum_{k=1}^{k=m} \|\varphi(t_k)\|^2 \right\} \\
 &\geq \alpha \|\mathcal{B}\| \int_0^{t_1} \|\varphi(t)\|^2 dt = \|\mathcal{B}\| \alpha t_1 \|z\|^2 = \theta \|z\|^2,
 \end{aligned}$$

because there is no impulse before time  $t_1$ . Therefore,  $\Lambda$  is coercive on  $H$ . To show that there is a bijection from  $H$  onto  $H$ , it suffices to prove that  $\Lambda + I$  is a bijection from  $H$  onto  $H$ . Clearly,  $\Lambda + I$  is injective since

$$\langle \Lambda z + z, z \rangle = \langle \Lambda z, z \rangle + \langle z, z \rangle \geq (\theta + 1) \|z\|^2.$$

On the other hand, let  $y^0 \in H$ , as the form  $a(f, g) + \langle f, g \rangle = \langle \Lambda f, g \rangle + \langle f, g \rangle$  is symmetric and coercive, then, by virtue of Lax-Milgram Theorem, there is an element  $f \in H$  such that

$$a(f, g) + \langle f, g \rangle = \langle y^0, g \rangle, \text{ for all } g \in H.$$

This implies that  $\Lambda(H) = H$ . Thus, for every  $y^0 \in H$ , there is a unique  $z \in H$  such that  $\Lambda(z) = -y^0$ , which completes the proof of Claim 1.

**Step 3:** Assume that  $B, D_k \geq 0$ , then  $\mathcal{B} \geq 0$ ,

$$\tilde{B}^2 = B, \tilde{D}_k^2 = D_k.$$

We define for  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \beta^\varepsilon &\doteq \tilde{B}^2 + \varepsilon I, \\
 \delta_k^\varepsilon &\doteq \tilde{D}_k^2 + \varepsilon I,
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\mathcal{B}^\varepsilon \doteq (\beta^\varepsilon; \delta_1^\varepsilon, \dots, \delta_m^\varepsilon) = (\tilde{B}^2 + \varepsilon I; \tilde{D}_1^2 + \varepsilon I, \dots, \tilde{D}_m^2 + \varepsilon I).$$

According to Claim 1, there is  $\tilde{\varphi}^{0,\varepsilon} \in H$  such that the mild solution  $y_\varepsilon$  of (1) with  $y_\varepsilon(0) = y^0$  satisfies  $y_\varepsilon(T) = 0$ ; where  $\mathcal{B}(h)$  has been replaced by

$$\mathcal{B}^\varepsilon(\tilde{\varphi}(t), \tilde{\varphi}(t_1), \dots, \tilde{\varphi}(t_k), \dots, \tilde{\varphi}(t_m)) \in \mathcal{K}_m.$$

We obtain from (11) and Corollary 1

$$-\langle y(0), \tilde{\varphi}_\varepsilon(0) \rangle = \int_0^T \langle \beta_\varepsilon^\varepsilon \tilde{\varphi}(t), \tilde{\varphi}_\varepsilon(t) \rangle dt + \sum_{k=1}^{k=m} \langle \delta_k^\varepsilon \tilde{\varphi}_\varepsilon(t_k), \tilde{\varphi}_\varepsilon(t_k) \rangle, \quad (18)$$

and (7) gives

$$-\langle y(0), \tilde{\varphi}_\varepsilon(0) \rangle \leq C \left\{ \int_0^T \langle \tilde{B}^2 \varphi_\varepsilon(t), \varphi_\varepsilon(t) \rangle dt + \sum_{k=1}^{k=m} \langle \tilde{D}_k^2 \varphi_\varepsilon(t_{m-(k-1)}), \varphi_\varepsilon(t_{m-(k-1)}) \rangle \right\}^{1/2}. \quad (19)$$

Whence,

$$-\langle y(0), \tilde{\varphi}_\varepsilon(0) \rangle \leq C \left\{ \int_0^T \langle \beta^\varepsilon \varphi_\varepsilon(t), \varphi_\varepsilon(t) \rangle dt + \sum_{k=1}^{k=m} \langle \delta_k^\varepsilon \varphi_\varepsilon(t_{m-(k-1)}), \varphi_\varepsilon(t_{m-(k-1)}) \rangle \right\}^{1/2}. \quad (20)$$

It follows at once from (18), (19) and (20) that

$$\begin{aligned} & \varepsilon \left\{ \int_0^T \|\varphi_\varepsilon(t)\|^2 dt + \sum_{k=1}^{k=m} \|\varphi_\varepsilon(t_k)\|^2 \right\} \\ & \quad + \int_0^T \langle \tilde{B} \varphi_\varepsilon(t), \tilde{B} \varphi_\varepsilon(t) \rangle dt + \sum_{k=1}^{k=m} \langle \tilde{D}_k \varphi_\varepsilon(t_{m-(k-1)}), \tilde{D}_k \varphi_\varepsilon(t_{m-(k-1)}) \rangle \\ & = \int_0^T \langle \beta^\varepsilon \varphi_\varepsilon(t), \varphi_\varepsilon(t) \rangle dt + \sum_{k=1}^{k=m} \langle \delta_k^\varepsilon \varphi_\varepsilon(t_{m-(k-1)}), \varphi_\varepsilon(t_{m-(k-1)}) \rangle \leq C^2. \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

**Step 4:** According to the estimate (20) the family

$$\begin{aligned} b_\varepsilon &= \mathcal{B}^\varepsilon(\tilde{\varphi}_\varepsilon(t); \tilde{\varphi}_\varepsilon(t_1), \dots, \tilde{\varphi}_\varepsilon(t_m)) \\ &= (\tilde{B}_\varepsilon^2 \tilde{\varphi}(t); \tilde{D}_1^2 \tilde{\varphi}_\varepsilon(t_1), \dots, \tilde{D}_m \tilde{\varphi}_\varepsilon(t_m)) + \varepsilon(\tilde{\varphi}_\varepsilon(t); \tilde{\varphi}_\varepsilon(t_1), \dots, \tilde{\varphi}_\varepsilon(t_m)) \end{aligned}$$

is contained in a bounded subset  $\mathcal{K}_m$ .

Thus, both of the families

$$\sqrt{\varepsilon}(\tilde{\varphi}_\varepsilon(t); \tilde{\varphi}_\varepsilon(t_1), \dots, \tilde{\varphi}_\varepsilon(t_m)) \text{ and } (B\tilde{\varphi}_\varepsilon(t); D_1\tilde{\varphi}_\varepsilon(t_1), \dots, D_m\tilde{\varphi}_\varepsilon(t_m))$$

are bounded in  $\mathcal{K}_m$ . Therefore, we may extract a subfamily, say

$$(B\tilde{\varphi}_\varepsilon(t); D_1\tilde{\varphi}_\varepsilon(t_1), \dots, D_m\tilde{\varphi}_\varepsilon(t_m)) \rightharpoonup h, \text{ weakly in } \mathcal{K}_m.$$

Then clearly

$$(\tilde{B}^2 \tilde{\varphi}_\varepsilon(t); \tilde{D}_1^2 \tilde{\varphi}_\varepsilon(t_1), \dots, \tilde{D}_m^2 \tilde{\varphi}_\varepsilon(t_m)) + \varepsilon(\tilde{\varphi}_\varepsilon(t); \tilde{\varphi}_\varepsilon(t_1), \dots, \tilde{\varphi}_\varepsilon(t_m)) \rightharpoonup \mathcal{B}h, \text{ weakly in } \mathcal{K}_m.$$

**Step 5:** Taking the limit as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ , we see that the solution  $y$  of (1) with initial condition  $y(0) = y^0$ ,  $h$  being as in **step 4** satisfies  $y(T) = 0$ . This completes the proof of Theorem 1.  $\square$

As an immediate application of the foregoing Theorem we give the following example.

**Example.** One dimensional impulsive Schrödinger equation :

We consider the problem

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial y(t, x)}{\partial t} + i \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2}(t, x) &= \chi_{\omega_0} u(t, x), \quad t \in (0, T) \setminus \{t_k\}_{k \in \sigma_1^m}, x \in \Omega = (0, 2\pi), \\ y(t, 0) &= y(t, 2\pi) = 0, \\ y(0, x) &= y^0, \\ \Delta y(t_k, x) &= i\alpha_k y(t_k, x) + \chi_{\omega_k} v_k(x), \quad k \in \sigma_1^m, \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

where

$$t_{k+1} - t_k > 2\pi, \quad \omega_k = (a_1^k, a_2^k) \subset \Omega, k \in \sigma_0^m, \quad \{\alpha_k\}_{k \in \sigma_1^m} \subset \mathbb{R}^+.$$

Let

$$H = L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{C}), Aw(x) = i \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2}(x), \quad D(A) = \left\{ w \in H, \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} \in H, w(0) = w(\pi) = 0 \right\},$$

and  $I_k w(x) = i\alpha_k w(x)$  and the control operator is given by  $B = \chi_{\omega_0}$ ,  $D_k = \chi_{\omega_k}$ , then the system (22) becomes an abstract formulation of (1). As a consequence of Theorem 1, the initial state  $y^0 \in L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{C}) = H$  of the solution of (22) is null-controllable at  $t = T$ , if and only if, there is  $C > 0$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \int_{\Omega} y^0(x) \tilde{\varphi}^0(x) dx \right| \\ & \leq C \left\{ \int_0^T \int_{\omega_0} |\varphi|^2(t, x) dx dt + \sum_{k=1}^m \int_{\omega_k} |\varphi|^2(t_{m-(k-1)}, x) \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad \forall \tilde{\varphi}^0 \in L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{C}), \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

where  $\tilde{\varphi}^0(x) = \varphi(T, x)$  and  $\varphi$  is the mild solution of

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \varphi(t, x)}{\partial t} + i \frac{\partial^2 \varphi(t, x)}{\partial x^2} &= 0, \quad t \in (0, T) \setminus \{t_k\}_{k \in \sigma_1^m}, \quad x \in \Omega, \\ \varphi(t, 0) &= \varphi(t, 2\pi) = 0, \\ \varphi(0, x) &= \varphi^0(x), \quad x \in \Omega, \\ \Delta \varphi(t_k, x) &= i\alpha_k \varphi(t_k, x), \quad x \in \Omega, \quad k \in \sigma_1^m. \end{aligned}$$

Here  $\varphi$  is given by

$$\varphi(t) = \begin{cases} \varphi_{[0]}(t) & , \text{ if } t \in [t_0, t_1) \\ \varphi_{[k]}(t) & , \text{ if } t \in [t_k, t_{k+1}) \\ \varphi_{[m]}(t) & , \text{ if } t \in [t_m, T], \end{cases}$$

where  $\varphi_{[k]}(t)$  is a solution of the classical Schrödinger equation

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \varphi_{[k]}(t, x)}{\partial t} + i \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_{[k]}(t, x)}{\partial x^2} &= \chi_{\omega_0} u(t, x), \quad t \in (t_0, t_1), \quad x \in \Omega = (0, 2\pi), \\ \varphi_{[k]}(t, 0) &= \varphi_{[k]}(t, 2\pi) = 0, \\ \varphi_{[0]}(t_0, x) &= \varphi^0(x), \quad x \in \Omega, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \varphi_{[k]}(t, x)}{\partial t} + i \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_{[k]}(t, x)}{\partial x^2} &= \chi_{\omega_0} u(t, x), \quad t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}), \quad x \in \Omega = (0, 2\pi), \\ \varphi_{[k]}(t, 0) &= \varphi_{[k]}(t, 2\pi) = 0, \\ \varphi_{[k]}(t_k, x) &= (1 + i\alpha_k) \varphi_{[k-1]}(t_k, x), \quad x \in \Omega, \quad k \in \sigma_1^m. \end{aligned}$$

Then a standard application of a variant of Ingham's Inequality [8] shows that

$$\int_{t_k}^{t_{k+1}} \int_{w_0} |\varphi_{[k]}|(t, x) dt dx \geq c(\tau_k, w_0) \int_{\Omega} |\varphi_{[k]}|(t_k^+, x) dx,$$

for some positive constants  $c(\tau_k, w_0) > 0$ . Summing up we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=0}^m \int_{t_k}^{t_{k+1}} \int_{w_0} |\varphi_{[k]}|(t, x) dt dx &= \int_0^T \int_{w_0} |\varphi|^2(t, x) dx dt \\ &\geq c_1 \sum_{k=1}^m \int_{\Omega} |\varphi_{[k]}|(t_k^+, x) dx, \end{aligned}$$



where  $c_1 = \min_{k \in \sigma_0^m} c(\tau_k, w_0) > 0$ .

On the other hand, there is a positive constant  $c_2 > 0$  such that

$$\sum_{k=1}^m \int_{\omega_k} |\varphi|^2(t_{m-(k-1)}, x) \geq c_2 \sum_{k=1}^m \int_{\Omega} |\varphi_{[k]}|^2(t_k^+, x) dx.$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^T \int_{\omega_0} |\varphi|^2(t, x) dx dt &+ \sum_{k=1}^m \int_{\omega_k} |\varphi|^2(t_{m-(k-1)}, x) \\ &\geq (c_1 + c_2) \sum_{k=1}^m \int_{\Omega} |\varphi_{[k]}|^2(t_k^+, x) dx \\ &\geq (c_1 + c_2) \int_{\Omega} |\varphi_{[m]}|^2(t_m^+, x) dx \\ &= (c_1 + c_2) \int_{\Omega} |\varphi|^2(T, x) dx. \end{aligned}$$

Now, since  $\tilde{\varphi}^0(x) = \tilde{\varphi}(0, x) = \varphi(T, x)$ , then,

$$\int_0^T \int_{\omega_0} |\varphi|^2(t, x) dx dt + \sum_{k=1}^m \int_{\omega_k} |\varphi|^2(t_{m-(k-1)}, x) \geq m(c_1 + c_2) \int_{\Omega} |\tilde{\varphi}^0|^2(x) dx,$$

from which we get

$$\int_{\Omega} |\tilde{\varphi}^0|^2(x) dx \leq \frac{1}{m(c_1 + c_2)} \left( \int_0^T \int_{\omega_0} |\varphi|^2(t, x) dx dt + \sum_{k=1}^m \int_{\omega_k} |\varphi|^2(t_{m-(k-1)}, x) \right).$$

We conclude by Cauchy-Schwarz inequality that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_{\Omega} y^0(x) \tilde{\varphi}^0(x) dx \right| &\leq \left\{ \int_{\Omega} |y^0|^2(x) dx \int_{\Omega} |\tilde{\varphi}^0|^2(x) dx \right\}^{1/2} \\ &\leq \left\{ \frac{\int_{\Omega} |y^0|^2(x) dx}{m(c_1 + c_2)} \right\}^{1/2} \left( \int_0^T \int_{\omega_0} |\varphi|^2(t, x) dx dt \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sum_{k=1}^m \int_{\omega_k} |\varphi|^2(t_{m-(k-1)}, x) dx \right)^{1/2}, \end{aligned}$$

which establishes the necessary and sufficient condition of null controllability stated in Theorem 1.

We conclude our paper by a special case when our initial state is an eigensolution of the following linear operator  $\Gamma : H \rightarrow H$  defined by

$$\Gamma(\psi) = \int_0^T X^{-1}(s)B^2X(s)\psi ds + \sum_{k=1}^{k=m} X^{-1}(t_k)D_k^2X(t_k)\psi.$$

We have the following result of null-controllability.

**Proposition 1** *Let  $\lambda > 0$  be an eigenvalue of  $\Gamma$  with eigenvector  $\psi \in H$ . Then, the solution  $y$  to the problem*

$$\begin{cases} y'(t) + Ay(t) = -\frac{1}{\lambda}B^2(X(t)\psi), & t \in (0, T) \setminus \{t_k\}_{k \in \sigma_1^m}, \\ \Delta y(t_k) = I_k y(t_k) - \frac{1}{\lambda}D_k^2(X(t_k)\psi), & k \in \sigma_1^m \\ y(0) = \psi, \end{cases} \quad (24)$$

satisfies

$$y(T) = 0.$$

*Proof.*

Write system (24) into the form

$$\begin{cases} y'(t) + Ay(t) = -\frac{1}{\lambda}B^2(X(t)\psi), & t \in (0, T) \setminus \{t_k\}_{k \in \sigma_1^m}, \\ y(t_k^+) = \mathcal{I}_k y(t_k) - \frac{1}{\lambda}D_k^2(X(t_k)\psi), & k \in \sigma_1^m \\ y(0) = \psi. \end{cases}$$

Therefore, this impulsive problem has a solution which can be represented explicitly as follows

$$y(t) = X(t)\psi + \int_0^t G(t, s) \left[ -\frac{1}{\lambda}B^2(X(s)\psi) \right] ds + \sum_{0 < t_k \leq t} G(t, t_k) \left[ -\frac{1}{\lambda}D_k^2X(t_k)\psi \right],$$

where the evolution operator  $G(t, s)$  is given by

$$G(t, s) = X(t)X^{-1}(s).$$

On the other hand, the system (24) yields

$$\begin{aligned}
 y(T) &= X(T)\psi + \int_0^T G(T, s) \left\{ -\frac{1}{\lambda} B^2(X(s)\psi) \right\} ds \\
 &\quad + \sum_{0 < t_k \leq T} G(T, t_k) \left\{ -\frac{1}{\lambda} D_k^2 X(t_k)\psi \right\} \\
 &= X(T) \left[ \psi + \int_0^T X^{-1}(T)G(T, s) \left\{ -\frac{1}{\lambda} B^2(X(s)\psi) \right\} ds \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \frac{1}{\lambda} \sum_{0 < t_k \leq T} X^{-1}(T)G(T, t_k) \{ D_k^2 X(t_k)\psi \} \right] \\
 &= X(T) \left[ \psi + \int_0^T X^{-1}(s) \left\{ -\frac{1}{\lambda} B^2(X(s)\psi) \right\} ds \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \frac{1}{\lambda} \sum_{0 < t_k \leq T} X^{-1}(t_k) \{ D_k^2 X(t_k)\psi \} \right] \\
 &= X(T) \left[ \psi - \frac{1}{\lambda} \Gamma(\psi) \right] = 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

This shows that the initial state  $\psi$  is null-controllable at time  $T$  with control

$$h(t) = \left( u(t), \{v_k\}_{k \in \sigma_1^m} \right) = \left( -\frac{1}{\lambda} X(t)\psi, \left\{ -\frac{1}{\lambda} X(t_k)\psi \right\}_{k \in \sigma_1^m} \right),$$

which completes the proof of the Proposition. □

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