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# Controllability for a new class of fractional neutral integro-differential evolution equations with infinite delay and nonlocal conditions

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## Abstract

In this paper, we apply the fractional calculus and a suitable fixed point theorem with the measure of noncompactness to give the sufficient conditions of the controllability for a new class of fractional neutral integro-differential evolution systems with infinite delay and nonlocal conditions. The results are obtained here under some weakly noncompactness conditions. Thus they improve and generalize many well-known results. At the end of this paper, two examples are given to explain our abstract conclusions.

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## 1 Introduction

In the last two decades, the theory of fractional differential equations have become an active area of investigation due to their applications in many fields such as viscoelasticity, electrochemistry, control, porous media, electromagnetic, *etc.* (see [1–3]). For more details of fractional calculus theory, one can see the monographs of Kilbas *et al.* [4], Miller and Ross [5], Podlubny [6], Baleanu [7]. In order to discuss the fractional systems in the abstract spaces, the first important step is how to define the new concept of a mild solution. A pioneering work has been reported by El-Borai [8] and Zhou and Jiao [9, 10]. Integro-differential equations can be used to describe a lot of natural phenomena arising in many fields such as electronics, fluid dynamics, biological models and chemical kinetics. Most of these phenomena cannot be described through classical differential equations. That is why in recent years they have attracted more and more attention of many mathematicians, physicists, and engineers. Some topics for this kind of equations, such as existence and regularity, stability and control problems, have been investigated by many mathematicians; see [11–16] for example.

Recently, fractional calculus opened new perspectives in control theory. Many fundamental problems of control theory, such as pole assignment, stabilization and optimal

control may be solved under the assumption that the system is controllable. The concept of controllability was firstly introduced by Kalman in 1960 and a systematic study was started after that. Most of the results in the existing literature are derived for finite dimensional systems. It should be pointed out that many unsolved problems still exist as far as controllability of infinite dimensional systems are concerned. In the case of infinite dimensional systems two basic concepts of controllability must be discriminated, which are exact and approximate controllability. Exact controllability enables one to steer the system to an arbitrary final state, while approximate controllability means that the system can be steered to an arbitrary small neighborhood of the final state. That is to say that exact controllability always implies approximate controllability. The converse statement is generally false. However, in the case of finite dimensional systems they coincide. There have been some results as regards the controllability of systems represented by nonlinear evolution equations in infinite dimensional spaces [14–24]. But when the semigroup is compact and other hypotheses are demanded, the application of exact controllability result is just restricted to the finite dimensional space [25]. As described in some papers, the nonlocal conditions may be connected with better effect in physical science than the classical initial conditions, since nonlocal conditions are normally more exact for physical estimations than the classical initial conditions. The study of abstract Cauchy problems with nonlocal initial conditions was initiated and proofs were given by Byszewski; see [26, 27]. Since the appearance of these two papers, several papers have addressed the issue of qualitative problems for various types of nonlinear differential equations with nonlocal conditions. We can refer to [10, 12, 13, 16–18, 26]. On the other hand, neutral differential equations with infinite delay arise in many areas of applied mathematics and for this reason these equations have received much attention in the last decades; see [11, 14, 20, 21, 28, 29].

Very recently, Wang and Zhou [23] gave some conditions ensuring the complete controllability of fractional evolution systems without supposing the compactness of characteristic solution operators. Ravichandran and Baleanu [14] investigated the controllability of fractional functional integro-differential systems with an infinite delay in Banach spaces by means of fixed point theorem and phase space theory. Liang and Yang [16] presented weakly controllable conditions for the fractional evolution system with nonlocal initial conditions.

Inspired by these facts and [9, 14, 16, 23], in this manuscript we consider the controllability for a new class of fractional neutral integro-differential evolution systems with infinite delay and nonlocal initial conditions,

$$\begin{cases} {}^C D^q[x(t) - g(t, x_t)] + A[x(t) - g(t, x_t)] = f(t, x_t, \mathfrak{N}x(t)) + Bu(t), & t \in [0, a], \\ x(0) = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i x(t_i) + g(0, x_0), \quad x_0 = \varphi \in \mathcal{B}_{l_0}, t \in (-\infty, 0], \end{cases} \tag{1}$$

where  ${}^C D^q$  is the Caputo fractional derivative of order  $0 < q < 1$ ,  $c_i$  ( $i = 1, \dots, n$ ) are given constants and  $0 < t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_n \leq a$ .  $J = [0, a]$ .  $-A : D(A) \subset E \rightarrow E$  is the infinitesimal generator of a  $C_0$ -semigroup  $T(t)$  ( $t \geq 0$ ) of uniformly bounded linear operator in a Banach space  $E$ , for  $T(t)$  ( $t \geq 0$ ), there exists a constant  $N \geq 1$  such that  $\|T(t)\| \leq N$  for all  $t \geq 0$ . The control function  $u$  is given in  $L^2(J, U)$ ,  $U$  is a Banach spaces.  $B$  is a linear bounded operator from  $U$  to  $E$ .  $g, f$  are given functions and satisfy some conditions that will be specified later. The time history  $x_t : (-\infty, 0] \rightarrow E$  given by  $x_t(\tau) = x(t + \tau)$  belongs to some abstract phase space  $\mathcal{B}_{l_0}$  defined axiomatically.  $\mathfrak{N}x(t) = \int_0^t \Upsilon(t, s)x(s) ds$ , is a Volterra

integral operator with integral kernel  $\Upsilon \in C(\Delta, R^+)$ ,  $\Delta = \{(t, s) : 0 \leq s \leq t \leq a\}$ . We always suppose that  $\Upsilon^* = \sup_{t \in J} \int_0^t \Upsilon(t, s) ds$ .

By using a concrete type of nonlocal function in our present manuscript, we eliminate the compactness of nonlocal function, only suppose that  $c_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ) satisfy the condition (H0) (see Section 2). And we omit the assumptions for compactness of the  $C_0$ -semigroup  $T(t)$  ( $t \geq 0$ ). Furthermore, we concentrate on a new class of neutral nonlocal control systems with infinite delay and establish sufficient conditions for the controllability of the system (1) by relying on a measure of noncompactness and the Mönch fixed point theorem in addition to new phase space axioms. When  $g(t, x_t) \equiv 0$  and  $\tau = 0$ , then system (1) is degenerated to the case of [16].

The rest of this work is arranged as follows. In Section 2, some notations and preparation results are presented. In Section 3, by the Mönch fixed point theorem, we prove the exact controllability of fractional neutral integro-differential evolution equations with nonlocal conditions and infinite delay. In Section 4, two examples are given to explain our abstract conclusions.

### 2 Preliminaries and lemmas

In this section, we mention notations, definitions, lemmas and preliminary facts needed to obtain our main results.

We assume that  $(E, \|\cdot\|)$  is a Banach space. Denote  $C(J, E)$  for the Banach space of continuous functions from  $J$  into  $E$  with the norm  $\|x\| = \sup_{t \in J} |x(t)|$ ,  $x \in C(J, E)$ .  $L^p(J, E)$  ( $1 \leq p < \infty$ ) denotes the Banach space of measurable functions  $x : J \rightarrow E$  which are Bochner integrable normed by  $\|x\|_p = (\int_0^a \|x(t)\|^p dt)^{\frac{1}{p}}$ ,  $x \in L^p(J, E)$ .

We now define the phase space  $\mathcal{B}_{l_0}$ . Assume that  $l : (-\infty, 0] \rightarrow (0, +\infty)$  is a continuous function with  $l_0 = \int_{-\infty}^0 l(t) dt < +\infty$ . The Banach space  $(\mathcal{B}_{l_0}, \|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{B}_{l_0}})$  induced by the function  $l(t)$  is defined as follows.

$$\mathcal{B}_{l_0} = \left\{ \varphi : (-\infty, 0] \rightarrow E : \varphi \text{ is a bounded and measurable function on } [-\delta, 0] \right. \\ \left. \text{and } \int_{-\infty}^0 l(t) \sup_{t \leq \tau \leq 0} |\varphi(\tau)| dt < +\infty \right\}$$

endowed with the norm  $\|\varphi\|_{\mathcal{B}_{l_0}} := \int_{-\infty}^0 l(t) \sup_{t \leq \tau \leq 0} |\varphi(\tau)| dt$ .

Now we consider the space

$$\mathcal{B}_{l_a} = \left\{ x : (-\infty, a] \rightarrow E : x|_J \in C(J, E), \text{ and } x_0 = \varphi \in \mathcal{B}_{l_0} \right. \\ \left. \text{such that } x(0) = \sum_{i=0}^n c_i x(t_i) + g(0, x_0) \right\}.$$

Let  $\|\cdot\|_a$  be a seminorm in the space  $\mathcal{B}_{l_a}$  defined by

$$\|x\|_a = \|\varphi\|_{\mathcal{B}_{l_0}} + \sup\{\|x(t)\| : t \in [0, a]\}, \quad x \in \mathcal{B}_{l_a}.$$

**Lemma 2.1** ([20, 21]) *Assume  $x \in \mathcal{B}_{l_a}$ , then, for  $t \in J$ ,  $x_t \in \mathcal{B}_{l_0}$ . Moreover,*

$$l_0 |x(t)| \leq \|x_t\|_{\mathcal{B}_{l_0}} \leq \|\varphi\|_{\mathcal{B}_{l_0}} + l_0 \sup_{s \in [0, t]} |x(s)|.$$

**Definition 2.1** ([6]) The fractional integral of order  $\gamma$  with the lower limit 0 for a function  $f$  is written as

$$I^\gamma f(t) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\gamma)} \int_0^t \frac{f(s)}{(t-s)^{1-\gamma}} ds, \quad t > 0, \gamma > 0,$$

provided the right-hand side is pointwise defined on  $[0, \infty)$ , where  $\Gamma$  is the gamma function.

**Definition 2.2** ([6]) Riemann-Liouville derivative of order  $\gamma$  with the lower limit 0 for a function  $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow R$  can be defined as

$${}^{R-L}D^\gamma f(t) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(n-\gamma)} \frac{d^n}{dt^n} \int_0^t \frac{f(s)}{(t-s)^{\gamma+1-n}} ds, \quad t > 0, 0 \leq n-1 < \gamma < n.$$

**Definition 2.3** ([6]) The Caputo derivative of order  $\gamma$  for a function  $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow R$  can be denoted by

$${}^C D^\gamma f(t) = {}^{R-L}D^\gamma \left( f(t) - \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{t^k}{k!} f^{(k)}(0) \right), \quad t > 0, 0 \leq n-1 < \gamma < n.$$

**Remark 2.1**

(i) If  $f(t) \in C^n[0, \infty)$  then

$${}^C D^\gamma f(t) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(n-\gamma)} \int_0^t \frac{f^{(n)}(s)}{(t-s)^{\gamma+1-n}} ds = I^{n-\gamma} f^{(n)}(t), \quad t > 0, 0 \leq n-1 < \gamma < n;$$

- (ii) the Caputo derivative of a constant is equal to zero;
- (iii) if  $f$  is an abstract function with values in  $E$ , then the integrals which are presented in Definitions 2.1 and 2.2 are taken in Bochner’s sense.

For any  $x \in E$ , define two operators  $\{\varpi(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$  and  $\{\nu(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$  by

$$\begin{aligned} \varpi(t)x &= \int_0^\infty \pi_q(\vartheta) T(t^q \vartheta) x d\vartheta, \\ \nu(t)x &= q \int_0^\infty \vartheta \pi_q(\vartheta) T(t^q \vartheta) x d\vartheta, \quad 0 < q < 1, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_q(\vartheta) &= \frac{1}{q} \vartheta^{-1-\frac{1}{q}} \varrho_q(\vartheta^{-\frac{1}{q}}), \\ \varrho_q(\vartheta) &= \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^\infty (-1)^{n-1} \vartheta^{-qn-1} \frac{\Gamma(nq+1)}{n!} \sin(n\pi q), \quad \vartheta \in (0, \infty). \end{aligned}$$

$\pi_q$  is a probability density function defined on  $(0, \infty)$ , which satisfies  $\pi_q(\vartheta) \geq 0$  for all  $\vartheta \in (0, \infty)$  and  $\int_0^\infty \pi_q(\vartheta) d\vartheta = 1$ . Moreover, the operators  $\{\varpi(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$  and  $\{\nu(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$  have the following properties.

**Lemma 2.2** ([9]) *The operators  $\varpi(t)$  and  $\nu(t)$  satisfy:*

(i) *For any fixed  $t \geq 0$  and any  $x \in E$ , the following inequalities hold.*

$$\|\varpi(t)x\| \leq N\|x\|, \quad \|\nu(t)x\| \leq \frac{N}{\Gamma(q)}\|x\|.$$

(ii) *The operators  $\varpi(t)$  and  $\nu(t)$  are strongly continuous for all  $t \geq 0$ .*

(iii) *If  $T(t)$  ( $t \geq 0$ ) is an equicontinuous semigroup, then  $\varpi(t)$  and  $\nu(t)$  are equicontinuous in  $E$  for  $t > 0$ .*

**Definition 2.4** ([30]) Let  $E$  be a Banach space and  $\Omega_E \subset E$  be bounded. The Hausdorff measure of noncompactness is the map  $\chi : \Omega_E \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  defined by

$$\chi(\Lambda) = \inf\{\epsilon > 0 : \Lambda \text{ has a finite } \epsilon\text{-net in } \Omega_E\}.$$

We need to use the following basic properties of MNC  $\chi$ ; see [17, 31]. For all bounded subsets  $\Lambda, \Lambda_1, \Lambda_2$  of  $E$ , we have

- (i)  $\Lambda_1 \subset \Lambda_2 \Rightarrow \chi(\Lambda_1) \leq \chi(\Lambda_2)$ ;
- (ii)  $\chi(\Lambda_1 + \Lambda_2) \leq \chi(\Lambda_1) + \chi(\Lambda_2)$ , where  $\Lambda_1 + \Lambda_2 = \{x + y : x \in \Lambda_1, y \in \Lambda_2\}$ ;
- (iii)  $\chi(\Lambda_1 \cup \Lambda_2) \leq \max\{\chi(\Lambda_1), \chi(\Lambda_2)\}$ ;
- (iv)  $\chi(\sigma \Lambda) \leq |\sigma| \chi(\Lambda)$  for any  $\sigma \in R$ ;
- (v)  $\chi(\{e\} \cup \Lambda) = \chi(\Lambda)$  for any  $e \in E$ ;
- (vi)  $\chi(\Lambda) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \Lambda$  is relatively compact in  $E$ .

**Lemma 2.3** ([30]) *For any  $G \subset C(J, E)$  and  $t \in J$ , define  $G(t) = \{u(t) \in E : u \in G\}$ . If  $G$  is bounded and equicontinuous, then  $\chi(G(t))$  is continuous on  $J$  and  $\chi(G) = \max_{t \in J} \chi(G(t))$ .*

**Lemma 2.4** ([32]) *Let  $\{\varphi_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  be a sequence of Bochner integrable functions from  $J$  into  $E$ . If there exists  $\varphi \in L^1(J, R^+)$  such that  $\|\varphi_n(t)\| \leq \varphi(t)$  a.e.  $t \in J, n = 1, 2, \dots$ , then  $G(t) = \chi(\{\varphi_n(t)\}_{n=1}^\infty)$  belongs to  $L^1(J, R^+)$  and satisfies*

$$\chi\left(\left\{\int_J \varphi_n(t) dt : n \in N\right\}\right) \leq 2 \int_J \chi(G(t)) dt.$$

**Lemma 2.5** ([9]) *Assume that  $p_1, p_2 \geq 1$ , and  $\frac{1}{p_1} + \frac{1}{p_2} = 1$ . If  $m_1 \in L^{p_1}(J, R), m_2 \in L^{p_2}(J, R)$ , then, for  $m_1 m_2 \in L^1(J, R)$ , one has*

$$\|m_1 m_2\|_{L^1 J} \leq \|m_1\|_{L^{p_1} J} \|m_2\|_{L^{p_2} J}.$$

**Lemma 2.6** ([33]) *Let  $D$  be a convex, closed set in a Banach space  $E$  with  $0 \in D$ . Suppose there is a continuous map  $\Psi : D \rightarrow D$  with the following property: for  $W \subset D$  is countable and  $W \subset \text{co}(\{0\} \cup \Psi(W))$  imply that  $W$  is relatively compact. Then  $\Psi$  has at least a fixed point in  $D$ .*

### 3 Controllability results

First, we discuss the following neutral evolution equation with nonlocal conditions:

$$\begin{cases} {}^C D^q [x(t) - g(t, x_t)] + A[x(t) - g(t, x_t)] = h(t), & t \in J, \\ x(0) = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i x(t_i) + g(0, x_0), & x_0 = \varphi \in \mathcal{B}_{l_0}, t \in (-\infty, 0], \end{cases} \tag{2}$$

where  $h \in C((-\infty, a], E)$ .

According to Definitions 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3, it is appropriate to change the system (2) into the equivalent integral equation

$$\begin{aligned}
 x(t) &= x(0) - g(0, x_0) + g(t, x_t) \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{\Gamma(q)} \int_0^t (t-s)^{q-1} \{-A[x(s) - g(s, x_s)] + h(s)\} ds, \quad t \in J,
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3}$$

provided that the integral in (3) exists.

Before giving the definition of mild solution of the system (1), we first prove the following lemmas.

**Lemma 3.1** *If the integral equation (3) holds, then we have*

$$x(t) = \varpi(t)[x(0) - g(0, x_0)] + g(t, x_t) + \int_0^t (t-s)^{q-1} v(t-s)h(s) ds, \quad t \in J,$$

where  $\varpi$  and  $v$  are defined as previously.

*Proof* Let  $\lambda > 0$ . Applying the Laplace transform

$$S(\lambda) = \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda s} x(s) ds, \quad Y(\lambda) = \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda s} g(s, x_s) ds, \quad Z(\lambda) = \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda s} h(s) ds,$$

to (3), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 S(\lambda) &= \frac{1}{\lambda} [x(0) - g(0, x_0)] + Y(\lambda) - \frac{1}{\lambda^q} AS(\lambda) + \frac{1}{\lambda^q} AY(\lambda) + \frac{1}{\lambda^q} Z(\lambda) \\
 &= \lambda^{q-1} (\lambda^q I + A)^{-1} [x(0) - g(0, x_0)] + Y(\lambda) + (\lambda^q I + A)^{-1} Z(\lambda) \\
 &= \lambda^{q-1} \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda^q s} T(s) [x(0) - g(0, x_0)] ds + \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda s} g(s, x_s) ds \\
 &\quad + \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda^q s} T(s) Z(\lambda) ds,
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{4}$$

provided that the integral (4) exists, where  $I$  is the identity operator defined on  $E$ .

Let

$$\varrho_q(\vartheta) = \frac{q}{\vartheta^{q+1}} \pi_q(\vartheta^{-q})
 \tag{5}$$

whose Laplace transform is given by

$$\int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda \vartheta} \varrho_q(\vartheta) d\vartheta = e^{-\lambda^q}, \quad q \in (0, 1).
 \tag{6}$$

Using (5), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\lambda^{q-1} \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda^q s} T(s) [x(0) - g(0, x_0)] ds \\
 &= \int_0^\infty q(\lambda t)^{q-1} e^{-(\lambda t)^q} T(t^q) [x(0) - g(0, x_0)] dt
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \int_0^\infty -\frac{1}{\lambda} \frac{d}{dt} [e^{-(\lambda t)^q}] T(t^q) [x(0) - g(0, x_0)] dt \\
 &= \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \vartheta \varrho_q(\vartheta) e^{-\lambda t \vartheta} T(t^q) [x(0) - g(0, x_0)] d\vartheta dt \\
 &= \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda t} \left\{ \int_0^\infty \varrho_q(\vartheta) T\left(\frac{t^q}{\vartheta^q}\right) [x(0) - g(0, x_0)] d\vartheta \right\} dt \\
 &= \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda t} \int_0^\infty \pi_q(\vartheta) T(t^q \vartheta) [x(0) - g(0, x_0)] d\vartheta dt \tag{7}
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda^q s} T(s) Z(\lambda) ds \\
 &= \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty q t^{q-1} e^{-(\lambda t)^q} T(t^q) e^{-\lambda s} h(s) ds \\
 &= \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty q \varrho_q(\vartheta) e^{-(\lambda t \vartheta)} T(t^q) e^{-\lambda s} t^{q-1} h(s) d\vartheta ds dt \\
 &= \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty q \varrho_q(\vartheta) e^{-\lambda(t+s)} T\left(\frac{t^q}{\vartheta^q}\right) \frac{t^{q-1}}{\vartheta^q} h(s) d\vartheta ds dt \\
 &= \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda t} \left[ q \int_0^t \int_0^\infty \varrho_q(\vartheta) T\left(\frac{(t-s)^q}{\vartheta^q}\right) \frac{(t-s)^q}{\vartheta^q} h(s) d\vartheta ds \right] dt \\
 &= \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda t} \left[ q \int_0^t \int_0^\infty \vartheta (t-s)^{q-1} \pi_q(\vartheta) T((t-s)^q \vartheta) h(s) d\vartheta ds \right] dt. \tag{8}
 \end{aligned}$$

According to (4), (7), (8) and using the Laplace inverse transform, we obtain

$$x(t) = \varpi(t) [x(0) - g(0, x_0)] + g(t, x_t) + \int_0^t (t-s)^{q-1} \nu(t-s) h(s) ds, \quad t \in J.$$

This completes the proof. □

Suppose that there exists the bounded operator  $K : E \rightarrow E$  given by

$$K := \left[ I - \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \varpi(t_i) \right]^{-1}. \tag{9}$$

By means of [34] we can present the sufficient conditions for the existence and boundedness of the operator  $K$ .

**Lemma 3.2** *The operator  $K$  defined in (9) exists and is bounded if the following condition holds:*

(H0) *there are real numbers  $c_i$  such that*

$$\sum_{i=1}^n |c_i| < \frac{1}{N}. \tag{10}$$

*Proof* From the hypothesis (H0), we have

$$\left\| \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \varpi(t_i) \right\| \leq \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i| \cdot \|\varpi(t_i)\| < 1.$$

By the operator spectrum theorem, the operator  $K = [I - \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \varpi(t_i)]^{-1}$  exists and is bounded. In addition, by the Neumann expression, we get

$$\|K\| \leq \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \varpi(t_i) \right\|^n = \frac{1}{1 - \|\sum_{i=1}^n c_i \varpi(t_i)\|} \leq \frac{1}{1 - N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|}. \tag{11}$$

Using Lemmas 3.1, 3.2, we give the following definition of a mild solution of the neutral system (2) with nonlocal conditions.

**Definition 3.1** A function  $x : (-\infty, a] \rightarrow E$  satisfies the conditions:

(i)

$$x(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \varpi(t) K g(t_i, x_{t_i}) + g(t, x_t) + \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \varpi(t) K H(t_i) + H(t), \quad t \in J, \tag{12}$$

where  $K = [I - \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \varpi(t_i)]^{-1}$ ;  $H(t) = \int_0^t (t-s)^{q-1} v(t-s) h(s) ds$ ;

(ii)  $x_0 = \varphi(t) \in \mathcal{B}_{l_0}$  s.t.  $x(0) = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i x(t_i) + g(0, x_0)$ ,  $t \in (-\infty, 0]$ .

This is called a mild solution of the nonlocal Cauchy problem (2).

**Remark 3.1** Due to Lemma 3.1, a mild solution to fractional evolution equation (2) with the initial condition is

$$x(t) = \varpi(t) [x(0) - g(0, x_0)] + g(t, x_t) + \int_0^t (t-s)^{q-1} v(t-s) h(s) ds, \quad t \in J.$$

Specially,

$$x(t_i) = \varpi(t_i) x(0) - \varpi(t_i) g(0, x_0) + g(t_i, x_{t_i}) + \int_0^{t_i} (t_i-s)^{q-1} v(t_i-s) h(s) ds. \tag{13}$$

Using (2) and (13), we get

$$\begin{aligned} x(0) - g(0, x_0) &= \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \varpi(t_i) x(0) - \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \varpi(t_i) g(0, x_0) + \sum_{i=1}^n c_i g(t_i, x_{t_i}) \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \int_0^{t_i} (t_i-s)^{q-1} v(t_i-s) h(s) ds. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $I - \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \varpi(t_i)$  exists, there exists a bounded inverse operator which is denoted by  $K$ , so that  $x(0) = g(0, x_0) + \sum_{i=1}^n c_i K g(t_i, x_{t_i}) + \sum_{i=1}^n c_i K \int_0^{t_i} (t_i-s)^{q-1} v(t_i-s) h(s) ds$ . And hence

$$x(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \varpi(t) K g(t_i, x_{t_i}) + g(t, x_t) + \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \varpi(t) K H(t_i) + H(t), \quad t \in J,$$

it is exactly (12).

Similarly, we present the following definition.

**Definition 3.2** A function  $x : (-\infty, a] \rightarrow E$  is called a mild solution of the nonlocal control system (1), if  $x_0 = \varphi \in \mathcal{B}_{I_0}$  s.t.  $x(0) = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i x(t_i) + g(0, x_0)$ , and, for any  $u \in L^2(J, U)$ , the integral equation

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \varpi(t) K \int_0^{t_i} (t_i - s)^{q-1} \nu(t_i - s) [Bu(s) + f(s, x_s, \mathfrak{R}x(s))] ds \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \varpi(t) K g(t_i, x_{t_i}) + \int_0^t (t - s)^{q-1} \nu(t - s) [Bu(s) + f(s, x_s, \mathfrak{R}x(s))] ds \\ &+ g(t, x_t), \quad t \in J, \end{aligned}$$

is satisfied.

To present and prove the main results of this paper, we list the following hypotheses:

(H1)  $-A$  generates an equicontinuous semigroup  $T(t)$  ( $t \geq 0$ ) of uniformly bounded linear operators in  $E$ .

(H2) (1) The linear operator  $\mathfrak{S} : L^2(J, U) \rightarrow E$  defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{S}u &= \varpi(a) \sum_{i=1}^n c_i K \int_0^{t_i} (t_i - s)^{q-1} \nu(t_i - s) Bu(s) ds \\ &+ \int_0^a (a - s)^{q-1} \nu(a - s) Bu(s) ds \end{aligned}$$

is reversible, the inverse operator is denoted by  $\mathfrak{S}^{-1}$  and takes values in  $L^2(J, U) \ker \mathfrak{S}$ , and there exist two constants  $N_1 > 0, N_2 > 0$  such that  $\|B\| \leq N_1, \|\mathfrak{S}^{-1}\| \leq N_2$ ;

(2) there exist a constant  $q_1 \in (0, q)$  and  $\xi_1 \in L^{\frac{1}{q_1}}(J, R^+)$  such that

$$\chi(\mathfrak{S}^{-1}(W)(t)) \leq \xi_1(t) \chi(W), \quad t \in J,$$

for any countable subset  $W \subset E$ .

(H3) The function  $f : J \times \mathcal{B}_{I_0} \times E \rightarrow E$  satisfies:

(1) The function  $f(t, \cdot, \cdot)$  is continuous for each  $t \in J$ , and the function  $f(\cdot, \varphi, x)$  is strongly measurable for any  $(\varphi, x) \in \mathcal{B}_{I_0} \times E$ ;

(2) for any countable sets  $V_1 \subset \mathcal{B}_{I_0}, W_1 \subset E$ , there exist a constant  $q_2 \in (0, q)$  and  $\xi_2 \in L^{\frac{1}{q_2}}(J, R^+)$  such that

$$\chi(f(t, V_1, W_1)) \leq \xi_2(t) \left( \sup_{-\infty < \tau \leq 0} \chi(V_1(\tau)) + \chi(W_1) \right), \quad t \in J;$$

(3) for any  $r > 0$ , there exist a constant  $q_3 \in (0, q)$  and  $S_r \in L^{\frac{1}{q_3}}(J, R^+)$  such that, for any  $(\varphi, y) \in \mathcal{B}_{I_0} \times E$ ,

$$\sup \{ \|f(t, \varphi, y)\| : \|\varphi\|_{\mathcal{B}_{I_0}} \leq r', \|y\| \leq \Upsilon^* r \} \leq S_r(t), \quad t \in J,$$

where  $S_r$  satisfies  $\liminf_{r \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{1}{r} \|S_r\|_{L^{\frac{1}{q_3}}} = \gamma < \infty$ .

(H4) (1) The function  $g : J \times \mathcal{B}_{l_0} \rightarrow E$  is continuous, there exists  $x_0 = \varphi$  s.t.  $x(0) = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i x(t_i) + g(0, x_0)$ ,  $t \in (-\infty, 0]$  and there exist nonnegative constants  $H_1, H_2, H_3$ ,  $0 < \beta < 1$  such that, for any  $t \in J$ ,  $z, y \in \mathcal{B}_{l_0}$ ,  $g(\cdot, \cdot)$  satisfies the inequality

$$\|g(t, z)\| \leq H_1(1 + \|z\|_{\mathcal{B}_{l_0}}),$$

and the Lipschitz condition

$$\|g(t_1, z) - g(t_2, y)\| \leq H_2 \|z - y\|_{\mathcal{B}_{l_0}} + H_3 |t_1 - t_2|;$$

(2) for any countable subset  $W_2 \subset \mathcal{B}_{l_0}$ , there exists a nonnegative bounded function  $\xi_3$  such that

$$\chi(g(t, W_2)) \leq \xi_3(t) \sup_{-\infty < \tau \leq 0} \chi(W_2(\tau)), \quad t \in J,$$

where  $\sup_{t \in [0, a]} \xi_3(t) = \kappa$ .

By the hypothesis (H2)(1), for any  $x_1 \in E$ , we define a feedback control function  $u(t) := u(t; x)$  as follows:

$$u(t; x) = \mathfrak{S}^{-1} \left[ x_1 - \varpi(a) \sum_{i=1}^n c_i K \int_0^{t_i} (t_i - s)^{q-1} \nu(t_i - s) f(s, x_s, \mathfrak{R}x(s)) ds - g(a, x_a) - \varpi(a) \sum_{i=1}^n c_i K g(t_i, x_{t_i}) - \int_0^a (a - s)^{q-1} \nu(a - s) f(s, x_s, \mathfrak{R}x(s)) ds \right] (t), \quad t \in J.$$

For convenience, let us take the following notations:

$$\mathcal{P}(t; x) = Bu(t; x) + f(t, x_t, \mathfrak{R}x(t)); \quad \tilde{\mathcal{P}}(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i K \int_0^{t_i} (t_i - s)^{q-1} \nu(t_i - s) \mathcal{P}(s; x) ds;$$

and

$$d_i = \frac{a^{q-q_i}}{(b_i + 1)^{1-q_i}}, \quad b_i = \frac{q-1}{1-q_i}, \quad i = 1, 2, 3.$$

We consider the operator  $\Psi : \mathcal{B}_{l_a} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_{l_a}$  defined by

$$(\Psi x)(t) = \begin{cases} \varphi(t), & t \in (-\infty, 0], \\ \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \varpi(t) K g(t_i, x_{t_i}) + g(t, x_t) + \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \varpi(t) K \int_0^{t_i} (t_i - s)^{q-1} \nu(t_i - s) Bu(s) ds + \int_0^t (t - s)^{q-1} \nu(t - s) Bu(s) ds + \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \varpi(t) K \int_0^{t_i} (t_i - s)^{q-1} \nu(t_i - s) f(s, x_s, \mathfrak{R}x(s)) ds + \int_0^t (t - s)^{q-1} \nu(t - s) f(s, x_s, \mathfrak{R}x(s)) ds, & t \in J, \end{cases}$$

where  $x_0 = \varphi \in \mathcal{B}_{l_0}$  satisfying  $x(0) = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i x(t_i) + g(0, \varphi)$ .

For  $\varphi \in \mathcal{B}_{l_0}$ , we define  $\tilde{\varphi}$  by

$$\tilde{\varphi}(t) = \begin{cases} \varphi(t), & t \in (-\infty, 0], \\ 0, & t \in J, \end{cases}$$

then  $\tilde{\varphi} \in \mathcal{B}_{l_a}$ . Set  $x(t) = z(t) + \tilde{\varphi}(t)$ ,  $-\infty < t \leq a$ . It is easy to see that  $x$  satisfies  $z_0 = 0$ ,  $t \in (-\infty, 0]$  and

$$\begin{aligned} z(t) = & \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \varpi(t) K g(t_i, z_{t_i} + \tilde{\varphi}_{t_i}) + g(t, z_t + \tilde{\varphi}_t) \\ & + \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \varpi(t) K \int_0^{t_i} (t_i - s)^{q-1} v(t_i - s) f(s, z_s + \tilde{\varphi}_s, \mathfrak{N}x(s)) ds \\ & + \int_0^t (t - s)^{q-1} v(t - s) f(s, z_s + \tilde{\varphi}_s, \mathfrak{N}x(s)) ds \\ & + \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \varpi(t) K \int_0^{t_i} (t_i - s)^{q-1} v(t_i - s) Bu(s) ds \\ & + \int_0^t (t - s)^{q-1} v(t - s) Bu(s) ds. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\mathcal{B}_{l_a}^0 = \{z \in \mathcal{B}_{l_a} : z_0 = 0 \in \mathcal{B}_{l_0}\}$ . For any  $z \in \mathcal{B}_{l_a}^0$

$$\begin{aligned} \|z\|_a &= \|z_0\|_{\mathcal{B}_{l_0}} + \sup\{\|z(t)\| : 0 \leq t \leq a\} \\ &= \sup\{\|z(t)\| : 0 \leq t \leq a\}, \end{aligned}$$

thus  $(\mathcal{B}_{l_a}^0, \|\cdot\|_a)$  is a Banach space. Set  $B_r = \{z \in \mathcal{B}_{l_a}^0 : \|z\|_a \leq r\}$  for some  $r > 0$ , then  $B_r \subseteq \mathcal{B}_{l_a}^0$  is uniformly bounded, and for  $z \in B_r$ , from Lemma 2.1, we have

$$\|z_t + \tilde{\varphi}_t\|_{\mathcal{B}_{l_0}} \leq \|z_t\|_{\mathcal{B}_{l_0}} + \|\tilde{\varphi}_t\|_{\mathcal{B}_{l_0}} \leq l_0 r + \|\varphi\|_{\mathcal{B}_{l_0}} = r'.$$

Define  $\tilde{\Psi} : \mathcal{B}_{l_a}^0 \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_{l_a}^0$  by

$$(\tilde{\Psi}z)(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & t \in (-\infty, 0], \\ \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \varpi(t) K g(t_i, z_{t_i} + \tilde{\varphi}_{t_i}) + g(t, z_t + \tilde{\varphi}_t) \\ \quad + \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \varpi(t) K \int_0^{t_i} (t_i - s)^{q-1} v(t_i - s) f(s, z_s + \tilde{\varphi}_s, \mathfrak{N}x(s)) ds \\ \quad + \int_0^t (t - s)^{q-1} v(t - s) f(s, z_s + \tilde{\varphi}_s, \mathfrak{N}x(s)) ds \\ \quad + \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \varpi(t) K \int_0^{t_i} (t_i - s)^{q-1} v(t_i - s) Bu(s) ds \\ \quad + \int_0^t (t - s)^{q-1} v(t - s) Bu(s) ds, & t \in J. \end{cases}$$

Clearly, the operator  $\Psi$  to have a fixed point is equivalent to  $\tilde{\Psi}$  having one.

In view of Lemmas 2.2, 2.5 and Definition 3.2, we obtain the following lemmas, which will be useful in the proofs of the main results.

**Lemma 3.3** *Under the hypotheses (H2)(1), (H3)(3) and (H4)(1), for any  $z \in B_r$ , we have*

$$\|\mathcal{P}(t; z)\| \leq N_1 N_2 \|x_1\| + N_u \left[ d_3 \|S_r\|_{L^{\frac{1}{q_3}}} + \frac{\Gamma(q)}{N} H_1 (1 + r') \right] + S_r(t), \quad t \in J,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|\tilde{\mathcal{P}}(z)\| &\leq \frac{a^q}{q} \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i| N_u \left[ \|x_1\| + \frac{H_1(1+r')}{1-N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|} \right] + \frac{N d_3 \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|}{\Gamma(q)(1-N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|)} \\ &\quad \cdot \left( \frac{N_u a^q}{q} + 1 \right) \|S_r\|_{L^{\frac{1}{q_3}}}. \end{aligned}$$

Here  $N_u = \frac{NN_1N_2}{\Gamma(q)(1-N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|)}$ .

*Proof* By Lemmas 2.2, 2.5 and Definition 3.2, for any  $t \in J$  and  $z \in B_r$ , it is easy to get

$$\begin{aligned} \|Bu(t; z)\| &\leq N_1N_2 \left\{ \|x_1\| + \left\| \varpi(a) \sum_{i=1}^n c_i K g(t_i, z_{t_i} + \tilde{\varphi}_{t_i}) \right\| + \|g(a, z_a + \tilde{\varphi}_a)\| \right. \\ &\quad + \left\| \varpi(a) \sum_{i=1}^n c_i K \int_0^{t_i} (t_i - s)^{q-1} v(t_i - s) f(s, z_s + \tilde{\varphi}_s, \mathfrak{R}x(s)) ds \right\| \\ &\quad + \left\| \int_0^a (a - s)^{q-1} v(a - s) f(s, z_s + \tilde{\varphi}_s, \mathfrak{R}x(s)) ds \right\| \Big\} \\ &\leq N_1N_2 \|x_1\| + \frac{NN_1N_2 \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|}{1 - N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|} \frac{N}{\Gamma(q)} \int_0^{t_i} (t_i - s)^{q-1} S_r(s) ds \\ &\quad + \frac{NN_1N_2}{\Gamma(q)} \int_0^a (a - s)^{q-1} S_r(s) ds \\ &\quad + \frac{NN_1N_2 \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|}{1 - N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|} H_1(1+r') + N_1N_2 H_1(1+r') \\ &\leq N_1N_2 \|x_1\| + N_u \left[ d_3 \|S_r\|_{L^{\frac{1}{q_3}}} + \frac{\Gamma(q)H_1(1+r')}{N} \right], \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\|\mathcal{P}(t; z)\| \leq N_1N_2 \|x_1\| + N_u \left[ d_3 \|S_r\|_{L^{\frac{1}{q_3}}} + \frac{\Gamma(q)H_1(1+r')}{N} \right] + S_r(t).$$

Further, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|\tilde{\mathcal{P}}(z)\| &\leq \frac{N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|}{\Gamma(q)(1 - N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|)} \int_0^{t_i} (t_i - s)^{q-1} \|\mathcal{P}(s; z)\| ds \\ &\leq \frac{N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|}{\Gamma(q)(1 - N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|)} \int_0^{t_i} (t_i - s)^{q-1} \left\{ N_1N_2 \|x_1\| \right. \\ &\quad + N_u \left[ d_3 \|S_r\|_{L^{\frac{1}{q_3}}} + \frac{\Gamma(q)H_1(1+r')}{N} \right] + S_r(s) \Big\} ds \\ &\leq \frac{a^q}{q} \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i| N_u \left[ \|x_1\| + \frac{H_1(1+r')}{1 - N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|} \right] \\ &\quad + \frac{N d_3 \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|}{\Gamma(q)(1 - N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|)} \left( \frac{N_u a^q}{q} + 1 \right) \|S_r\|_{L^{\frac{1}{q_3}}}. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof. □

For the operator  $\tilde{\Psi}$ , we can obtain the following conclusion using Lemma 3.3.

**Lemma 3.4** *Let hypotheses (H2)(1), (H3)(1), (3) and (H4)(1) hold. Then the operator  $\tilde{\Psi} : B_{l_a}^0 \rightarrow B_{l_a}^0$  is continuous provided that*

$$\frac{N\gamma d_3 + \Gamma(q)H_1l_0}{\Gamma(q)(1 - N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|)} \left( \frac{N_u a^q}{q} + 1 \right) < 1. \tag{14}$$

*Proof* Firstly we show that  $\tilde{\Psi}(B_r) \subset B_r$  for some  $r > 0$ . If this was not true, there would exist  $z \in B_r$  and  $t_r \in J$  such that  $\|\tilde{\Psi}(z)(t_r)\| > r$ . From Lemmas 2.2 and 3.3, we have

$$\begin{aligned} r &< \|(\tilde{\Psi}z)(t_r)\| \\ &\leq \|\varpi(t_r)\tilde{\mathcal{P}}(z)\| + \left\| \int_0^{t_r} (t_r - s)^{q-1} \nu(t_r - s)\mathcal{P}(s; z) ds \right\| \\ &\quad + \left\| \varpi(t_r) \sum_{i=1}^n c_i K g(t_i, z_{t_i} + \tilde{\varphi}_{t_i}) \right\| + \|g(t_r, z_{t_r} + \tilde{\varphi}_{t_r})\| \\ &\leq \|\varpi(t_r)\tilde{\mathcal{P}}(z)\| + \frac{N}{\Gamma(q)} \int_0^{t_r} (t_r - s)^{q-1} \left\{ N_1 N_2 \|x_1\| \right. \\ &\quad \left. + N_u \left[ d_3 \|S_r\|_{L^{\frac{1}{q_3}}} + \frac{\Gamma(q)H_1(1+r')}{N} \right] + S_r(s) \right\} ds + \frac{H_1(1+r')}{1 - N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|} \\ &\leq \|\varpi(t_r)\tilde{\mathcal{P}}(z)\| + \frac{NN_1N_2a^q}{\Gamma(q+1)} \|x_1\| + \frac{Nd_3}{\Gamma(q)} \left( \frac{N_u a^q}{q} + 1 \right) \|S_r\|_{L^{\frac{1}{q_3}}} + H_1(1+r') \frac{N_u a^q}{q} \\ &\quad + \frac{H_1(1+r')}{1 - N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|} \\ &\leq \frac{NN_1N_2a^q \|x_1\|}{\Gamma(q+1)(1 - N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|)} + \frac{Nd_3}{\Gamma(q)(1 - N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|)} \left( \frac{N_u a^q}{q} + 1 \right) \|S_r\|_{L^{\frac{1}{q_3}}} \\ &\quad + \frac{H_1(1+r')}{1 - N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|} \left( \frac{N_u a^q}{q} + 1 \right). \end{aligned}$$

Dividing both sides by  $r$  and taking the lower limit as  $r \rightarrow +\infty$ , we have

$$1 \leq \frac{N\gamma d_3 + \Gamma(q)H_1l_0}{\Gamma(q)(1 - N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|)} \left( \frac{N_u a^q}{q} + 1 \right),$$

which is contrary to inequality (14). And thus  $\tilde{\Psi}(B_r) \subset B_r$  for some  $r > 0$ .

Next, we show that  $\tilde{\Psi} : B_r \rightarrow B_r$  is continuous. So we take  $\{z^{(n)}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset B_r$  and  $z^{(n)} \rightarrow z \in B_r$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Let  $\mathcal{F}_n(s) = f(s, z_s^{(n)} + \tilde{\varphi}_s, \mathfrak{R}z^{(n)}(s))$  and  $\mathcal{F}(s) = f(s, z_s + \tilde{\varphi}_s, \mathfrak{R}z(s))$ . By (H2)(1), (H3)(1), (3), (H4)(1) and the Lebesgue dominated convergence theorem, for any  $t \in J$ , we get

$$\int_0^t (t - s)^{q-1} \|\mathcal{F}_n(s) - \mathcal{F}(s)\| ds \rightarrow 0 \quad (n \rightarrow +\infty),$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \|u(t; z^{(n)}) - u(t; z)\| &\leq \frac{N^2 N_2 \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|}{\Gamma(q)(1 - N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|)} \int_0^{t_i} (t_i - s)^{q-1} \|\mathcal{F}_n(s) - \mathcal{F}(s)\| ds \\ &\quad + \frac{N N_2}{\Gamma(q)} \int_0^a (a - s)^{q-1} \|\mathcal{F}_n(s) - \mathcal{F}(s)\| ds + N_2 H_2 \|z^{(n)} - z\| \\ &\quad + \frac{N N_2 \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|}{1 - N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|} H_2 \|z^{(n)} - z\| \rightarrow 0 \quad (n \rightarrow +\infty). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathcal{P}(t; z^{(n)}) - \mathcal{P}(t; z)\| &\leq N_1 \|u(t; z^{(n)}) - u(t; z)\| + \|\mathcal{F}_n(t) - \mathcal{F}(t)\| \\ &\rightarrow 0 \quad (n \rightarrow +\infty), \\ \|\tilde{\mathcal{P}}(z^{(n)}) - \tilde{\mathcal{P}}(z)\| &\leq \frac{N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|}{\Gamma(q)(1 - N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|)} \int_0^{t_i} (t_i - s)^{q-1} \|\mathcal{P}(s; z^{(n)}) - \mathcal{P}(s; z)\| ds \\ &\rightarrow 0 \quad (n \rightarrow +\infty). \end{aligned}$$

Finally, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|(\tilde{\Psi} z^{(n)})(t) - (\tilde{\Psi} z)(t)\| &\leq N \|\tilde{\mathcal{P}}(z^{(n)}) - \tilde{\mathcal{P}}(z)\| \\ &\quad + \frac{N}{\Gamma(q)} \int_0^t (t - s)^{q-1} \|\mathcal{P}(s; z^{(n)}) - \mathcal{P}(s; z)\| ds \\ &\quad + \frac{N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|}{1 - N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|} \|g(t_i; z_i^{(n)}) - g(t_i; z_i)\| \\ &\quad + \|g(t; z_i^{(n)}) - g(t; z_i)\| \\ &\leq N \|\tilde{\mathcal{P}}(z^{(n)}) - \tilde{\mathcal{P}}(z)\| \\ &\quad + \frac{N}{\Gamma(q)} \int_0^t (t - s)^{q-1} \|\mathcal{P}(s; z^{(n)}) - \mathcal{P}(s; z)\| ds \\ &\quad + \frac{H_2 N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|}{1 - N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|} \|z^{(n)} - z\| \\ &\quad + H_2 \|z^{(n)} - z\| \rightarrow 0 \quad (n \rightarrow +\infty). \end{aligned}$$

Hence the given operator  $\tilde{\Psi} : B_r \rightarrow B_r$  is continuous. And the proof is completed. □

Now, we present and prove the controllability conclusions for the fractional neutral control system (1) with infinite delay and nonlocal conditions.

**Theorem 3.1** *If the hypotheses (H0)-(H4) are satisfied, then the fractional neutral nonlocal system (1) with the initial problem  $x(0) = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i x(t_i) + g(0, x_0)$ ,  $x_0 = \varphi \in \mathcal{B}_{l_0}$  is controllable on  $J$  provided that (14) and*

$$\alpha = \frac{2NN_4(1 + 2\Upsilon^*) \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i| + \Gamma(q)\kappa}{\Gamma(q)(1 - N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|)} (N_3 N_5 + 1) < 1, \tag{15}$$

where  $N_3 = d_1 \|\xi_1\|_{L^{\frac{1}{q_1}}}$ ;  $N_4 = d_2 \|\xi_2\|_{L^{\frac{1}{q_2}}}$ ;  $N_5 = \frac{2NN_1}{\Gamma(q)(1 - N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|)}$ .

*Proof* We have proved  $\tilde{\Psi} : B_r \rightarrow B_r$  is continuous in Lemma 3.4. Furthermore, we prove that  $\tilde{\Psi}(B_r)$  is equicontinuous on  $J$ . Indeed, let  $z \in \tilde{\Psi}(B_r)$  and  $0 \leq t' < t'' \leq a$ . and take the following notations:

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_1 &= \|\varpi(t'')\tilde{\mathcal{P}}(z) - \varpi(t')\tilde{\mathcal{P}}(z)\|, \\
 I_2 &= \left\| \int_0^{t'} [(t'' - s)^{q-1} - (t' - s)^{q-1}]v(t'' - s)\mathcal{P}(s; z) ds \right\|, \\
 I_3 &= \left\| \int_0^{t'} (t' - s)^{q-1}[v(t'' - s) - v(t' - s)]\mathcal{P}(s; z) ds \right\|, \\
 I_4 &= \left\| \int_{t'}^{t''} (t'' - s)^{q-1}v(t'' - s)\mathcal{P}(s; z) ds \right\|, \\
 I_5 &= \left\| \varpi(t'') \sum_{i=1}^n c_i Kg(t_i, z_{t_i} + \tilde{\varphi}_{t_i}) - \varpi(t') \sum_{i=1}^n c_i Kg(t_i, z_{t_i} + \tilde{\varphi}_{t_i}) \right\|, \\
 I_6 &= \|g(t'', z_{t''} + \tilde{\varphi}_{t''}) - g(t', z_{t'} + \tilde{\varphi}_{t'})\|.
 \end{aligned}$$

So we can write

$$\|(\tilde{\Psi}(z)(t'')) - (\tilde{\Psi}(z)(t'))\| \leq I_1 + I_2 + I_3 + I_4 + I_5 + I_6.$$

Obviously, we have

$$I_5 \leq \frac{H_1(1 + r') \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|}{1 - N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|} \|\varpi(t'') - \varpi(t')\|.$$

The hypothesis (H1) can ensure  $I_1 \rightarrow 0$  and  $I_5 \rightarrow 0$  as  $t'' - t' \rightarrow 0$ . Using Lemmas 2.2 and 3.3, we can obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_2 &\leq \left[ \frac{N}{\Gamma(q)} (N_1 N_2 \|x_1\| + N_u d_3 \|S_r\|_{L^{\frac{1}{q_3}}}) + N_u H_1 (1 + r') \right] \int_0^{t'} |(t'' - s)^{q-1} - (t' - s)^{q-1}| ds \\
 &\quad + \frac{N \|S_r\|_{L^{\frac{1}{q_3}}}}{\Gamma(q)} \left( \int_0^{t'} |(t'' - s)^{q-1} - (t' - s)^{q-1}|^{\frac{1}{1-q_3}} ds \right)^{1-q_3}, \\
 I_4 &\leq \left[ \frac{N}{\Gamma(q + 1)} (N_1 N_2 \|x_1\| + N_u d_3 \|S_r\|_{L^{\frac{1}{q_3}}}) + \frac{N_u H_1 (1 + r')}{q} \right] (t'' - t')^q \\
 &\quad + \frac{N \|S_r\|_{L^{\frac{1}{q_3}}}}{\Gamma(q)(b_3 + 1)^{1-q_3}} (t'' - t')^{q-q_3},
 \end{aligned}$$

which indicates that  $I_2 \rightarrow 0$  and  $I_4 \rightarrow 0$  as  $t'' - t' \rightarrow 0$ . If  $t' \equiv 0$ ,  $0 < t'' \leq a$ , it is obvious that  $I_3 \equiv 0$ . For  $t' > 0$  and  $\delta$  ( $0 < \delta < t'$ ) small enough, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_3 &\leq \left\| \int_0^{t'-\delta} (t' - s)^{q-1}[v(t'' - s) - v(t' - s)]\mathcal{P}(s; z) ds \right\| \\
 &\quad + \left\| \int_{t'-\delta}^{t'} (t' - s)^{q-1}[v(t'' - s) - v(t' - s)]\mathcal{P}(s; z) ds \right\|
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \left\{ \frac{[N_1 N_2 \|x_1\| + N_u d_3 \|S_r\|_{L^{\frac{1}{q_3}}} + \frac{\Gamma(q)}{N} N_u H_1(1+r')](t')^q - \delta^q}{q} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{\|S_r\|_{L^{\frac{1}{q_3}}} ((t')^{q-q_3} - \delta^{q-q_3})}{(b_3 + 1)^{1-q_3}} \right\} \\ &\quad \cdot \sup_{s \in [0, t' - \delta]} \|v(t'' - s) - v(t' - s)\| + \frac{2N \|S_r\|_{L^{\frac{1}{q_3}}} \delta^{q-q_3}}{\Gamma(q)(b_3 + 1)^{1-q_3}} \\ &\quad + \frac{2N [N_1 N_2 \|x_1\| + N_u d_3 \|S_r\|_{L^{\frac{1}{q_3}}} + \frac{\Gamma(q)}{N} N_u H_1(1+r')]\delta^q}{\Gamma(q+1)}. \end{aligned}$$

It follows from the assumption (H1) that  $I_3 \rightarrow 0$  as  $t'' - t' \rightarrow 0$  and  $\delta \rightarrow 0$ . From (H4)(1), we obtain

$$I_6 \leq H_2(\|z_{t''} - z_{t'}\| + \|\varphi_{t''} - \varphi_{t'}\|) + H_3|t'' - t'|.$$

Since  $z \in B_r$ , we get  $I_6 \rightarrow 0$  as  $t'' - t' \rightarrow 0$ . Thus  $\tilde{\Psi}(B_r)$  is equicontinuous on  $(-\infty, a]$ .

Next we will verify that  $\tilde{\Psi}$  satisfies Mönch's condition. Assume that  $D \subset B_r$  is countable and  $D \subset \text{c}\bar{\text{o}}(\{0\} \cup \tilde{\Psi}(D))$ , we show that  $\chi(D) = 0$ .

It follows from (H2)(2), (H3)(2) and (H4)(2) that

$$\begin{aligned} \chi(Bu(s; W)) &\leq \left[ N_4 N_5 (1 + 2\Upsilon^*) + \frac{N_1 \kappa}{1 - N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|} \right] \xi_1(s) \chi(W), \\ \chi(\mathcal{P}(s; W)) &\leq \left[ N_4 N_5 (1 + 2\Upsilon^*) + \frac{N_1 \kappa}{1 - N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|} \right] \xi_1(s) \chi(W) + (1 + 2\Upsilon^*) \xi_2(s) \chi(W), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\chi(\tilde{\mathcal{P}}(W)) \leq \left[ \frac{2NN_4(1 + 2\Upsilon^*) \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|}{\Gamma(q)(1 - N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|)} (N_3 N_5 + 1) + \frac{N_3 N_5 \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i| \kappa}{1 - N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|} \right] \chi(W),$$

for  $s \in [0, t]$ ,  $t \in J$ . Furthermore, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \chi(\tilde{\Psi}(W)(t)) &\leq N \chi(\tilde{\mathcal{P}}(W)) + \frac{2N}{\Gamma(q)} \int_0^t (t-s)^{q-1} \chi(\mathcal{P}(s; W)) ds + \frac{\kappa}{1 - N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|} \chi(w) \\ &\leq \frac{2NN_4(1 + 2\Upsilon^*) \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i| + \Gamma(q)\kappa}{\Gamma(q)(1 - N \sum_{i=1}^n |c_i|)} (N_3 N_5 + 1) \chi(W) = \alpha \chi(W). \end{aligned}$$

Combining the equicontinuity and boundedness of  $\tilde{\Psi}(W)$ , we obtain

$$\chi(\tilde{\Psi}(W)) = \max_{t \in J} \chi(\tilde{\Psi}(W)(t)) \leq \alpha \chi(W).$$

Hence,

$$\chi(W) \leq \chi(\text{c}\bar{\text{o}}(\{0\} \cup \tilde{\Psi}(W))) \leq \chi(\tilde{\Psi}(W)) \leq \alpha \chi(W).$$

From the inequality (15)  $\alpha < 1$ , we have  $\chi(W) = 0$ . That is,  $W$  is relatively compact. Therefore using Lemma 2.6,  $\tilde{\Psi}$  has at least one fixed point  $z$  in  $B_r$ . Then  $x = z + \tilde{\varphi}$  is a mild solution

of the system (1) and satisfies  $x(a) = x_1$ . Thus, the fractional neutral nonlocal system (1) is controllable on  $J$ . The proof is completed.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.1** *The hypothesis (H3)(3) can be replaced by*

(H3) (3)' *For each  $r > 0$ , there exist a constant  $q_3 \in (0, q)$  and  $\bar{S} \in L^{\frac{1}{q_3}}(J, R^+)$  such that*

$$\sup \{ \|f(t, \varphi, x)\| : \|\varphi\|_{B_{l_0}} \leq r', \|y\| \leq \Upsilon^* r \} \leq \bar{S}(t), \quad t \in J,$$

where  $\varphi \in B_{l_0}$  s.t.  $x(0) = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i x(t_i) + g(0, x_0)$ . (H3)(1), (2) are not changed. Thus assume the hypotheses (H0)-(H3)(1), (2), (3)' and (H4) hold, (14) and (15) are established, the system (1) is also controllable on  $J$ .

*Proof* The proof is similar to Theorem 3.1.  $\square$

### 4 Applications

**Example 4.1** Consider the following fractional neutral evolution equations:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial^{\frac{3}{4}}}{\partial t^{\frac{3}{4}}} [x(t, v) - t \int_{-\infty}^0 \zeta(\tau) \frac{|x(t+\tau, v)|}{1+|x(t+\tau, v)|} d\tau] \\ = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} [x(t, v) - t \int_{-\infty}^0 \zeta(\tau) \frac{|x(t+\tau, v)|}{1+|x(t+\tau, v)|} d\tau] \\ + \frac{e^{-2t}}{1+e^t} [x(t+\tau, v) + \int_0^t (t-s)^2 x(s, v) ds] + \lambda \rho(t, v), \quad 0 \leq t \leq a, 0 \leq v \leq 1, \\ x(t, 0) - t \int_{-\infty}^0 \zeta(\tau) \frac{|x(t+\tau, 0)|}{1+|x(t+\tau, 0)|} d\tau = 0, \quad 0 \leq t \leq a, \\ x(t, 1) - t \int_{-\infty}^0 \zeta(\tau) \frac{|x(t+\tau, 1)|}{1+|x(t+\tau, 1)|} d\tau = 0, \quad 0 \leq t \leq a, \\ x(0, v) = \sum_{i=1}^n \arctan \frac{1}{2^i} x(i, v), \quad 0 \leq v \leq 1, \end{cases} \quad (16)$$

where  $\lambda > 0$  and  $0 < n < a$ .  $\rho : [0, a] \times (0, 1) \rightarrow (0, 1)$ ,  $\zeta : (-\infty, 0] \rightarrow R$  and  $x_0 : (-\infty, 0] \times (0, 1) \rightarrow R$  are continuous functions, and  $\int_{-\infty}^0 |\zeta(\tau)| d\tau < \infty$ .

Let  $E = U =: C([0, 1])$  and  $A$  be defined by

$$\begin{cases} D(A) = \{w \in E : w' \in E, w(0) = w(1) = 0\}, \\ Aw = -w', \quad w \in D(A). \end{cases}$$

As is well known,  $-A$  generates an equicontinuous semigroup  $T(t)$  ( $t \geq 0$ ) in  $E$  and it satisfies

$$T(t)w(s) = w(t + s),$$

for  $w \in E$ . Thus  $T(t)$  ( $t \geq 0$ ) is not compact in  $E$  and  $\sup_{0 \leq t \leq a} \|T(t)\| \leq 1$ . Take

$$\begin{aligned} x(t)(v) &= x(t, v), \\ D^{\frac{3}{4}} x(t)(v) &= \frac{\partial^{\frac{3}{4}}}{\partial t^{\frac{3}{4}}} x(t, v), \\ g(t, x_t)(v) &= t \int_{-\infty}^0 \zeta(\tau) \frac{|x_t(\tau)(v)|}{1+|x_t(\tau)(v)|} d\tau, \\ f(t, x_t, \mathfrak{R}x(t))(v) &= \frac{e^{-2t}}{1+e^t} \left[ x(t+\tau, v) + \int_0^t (t-s)^2 x(s, v) ds \right], \end{aligned}$$

$$u(t)v = \rho(t, v),$$

$$c_i = \arctan \frac{1}{2i^2}, \quad t_i = i, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

Define the norm by

$$\|y\|_{B_{l_0}} = \int_{-\infty}^0 l(s) \|\varphi\|_{[s,0]} ds, \quad y \in B_{l_0}.$$

Then, for any  $x \in B_r, t \in J$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|f(t, x_t, \mathfrak{R}x(t))(z)\| &\leq \frac{e^{-2t}}{1+e^t} \left[ \|x(t+\tau, z)\| + \int_0^t \|(t-s)^2 x(s, z)\| ds \right] \\ &\leq \frac{(3+a^3)e^{-2t}r'}{3(1+e^t)} \\ &\leq \frac{(3+a^3)r'}{6}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the hypothesis (H3) holds for  $\beta = \frac{3+a^3}{6}$  and  $\xi_2(t) = \frac{1}{2}$  for all  $t \in J$ . By

$$\sum_{i=1}^n |c_i| \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \arctan \frac{1}{2i^2} = \frac{\pi}{4} < 1,$$

we verify that the hypothesis (H0) holds.

For  $t, t', t'' \in [0, a], z, y \in B_r$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|g(t, z)\| &= \left\| t \int_{-\infty}^0 \zeta(\tau) \frac{|z(\tau)(v)|}{1+|z(\tau)(v)|} d\tau \right\| \leq a \int_{-\infty}^0 |\zeta(\tau)| \|1+|z(\tau)(v)|\| d\tau \\ &\leq H_1(1+r'), \\ \|g(t', z) - g(t'', y)\| &\leq |t' - t''| \int_{-\infty}^0 \left\| \zeta(\tau) \frac{|z(\tau)(v)|}{1+|z(\tau)(v)|} \right\| d\tau \\ &\quad + t'' \int_{-\infty}^0 \left\| \zeta(\tau) \left[ \frac{|z(\tau)(v)|}{1+|z(\tau)(v)|} - \frac{|y(\tau)(v)|}{1+|y(\tau)(v)|} \right] \right\| d\tau \\ &\leq |t' - t''| \int_{-\infty}^0 |\zeta(\tau)| d\tau + a \int_{-\infty}^0 |\zeta(\tau)| d\tau \|z - y\| \\ &= H_2 \|z - y\| + H_3 |t' - t''|, \\ \|g(t, z) - g(t, y)\| &\leq t \int_{-\infty}^0 \left\| \zeta(\tau) \left[ \frac{|z(\tau)(v)|}{1+|z(\tau)(v)|} - \frac{|y(\tau)(v)|}{1+|y(\tau)(v)|} \right] \right\| d\tau \\ &\leq t \int_{-\infty}^0 |\zeta(\tau)| d\tau \|z - y\|, \end{aligned}$$

where  $H_1 = H_2 = a \int_{-\infty}^0 |\zeta(\tau)| d\tau, H_3 = \int_{-\infty}^0 |\zeta(\tau)| d\tau$ . Therefore, for any countable set  $W \subset B_r$ , we obtain

$$\chi(g(t, W)) \leq t \int_{-\infty}^0 |\zeta(\tau)| d\tau \sup_{-\infty < \tau \leq 0} \chi(W(\tau)),$$

where  $\xi_3(t) = t \int_{-\infty}^0 |\zeta(\tau)| d\tau$ .

For  $v \in (0, 1)$ , the operator  $\mathfrak{S}$  is defined by

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\mathfrak{S}(t))(v) &= \varpi(a) \left[ I - \sum_{i=1}^n \arctan \frac{1}{2i^2} \varpi(i) \right]^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \arctan \frac{1}{2i^2} \int_0^i (i-s)^{-\frac{1}{4}} \\
 &\quad \cdot v(i-s)\lambda\rho(s, v) ds + \int_0^a (a-s)^{-\frac{1}{4}} v(a-s)\lambda\rho(s, v) ds,
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\{\varpi(t)\}_{(t \geq 0)}$  and  $\{v(t)\}_{(t \geq 0)}$  satisfy

$$\begin{aligned}
 \varpi(t)w(s) &= \int_0^\infty \frac{4}{3} \vartheta^{-\frac{7}{3}} \varrho_{\frac{3}{4}}(-\vartheta^{-\frac{4}{3}}) w(t^{\frac{3}{4}}\vartheta + s) d\vartheta, \\
 v(t)w(s) &= \frac{3}{4} \int_0^\infty \frac{4}{3} \vartheta^{-\frac{4}{3}} \varrho_{\frac{3}{4}}(-\vartheta^{-\frac{4}{3}}) w(t^{\frac{3}{4}}\vartheta + s) d\vartheta,
 \end{aligned}$$

and  $\varrho_{\frac{3}{4}}$  is given by  $\varrho_{\frac{3}{4}} = \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^\infty (-1)^{n-1} \vartheta^{-\frac{3}{4}n-1} \frac{\Gamma(\frac{3}{4}n+1)}{n!} \sin(\frac{3n\pi}{4})$ ,  $\vartheta \in (0, \infty)$ . If we let  $\mathfrak{S}$  satisfy the hypothesis (H2), from Theorem 3.1, we see that the system (16) is controllable on  $[0, a]$  provided that (14) and (15).

**Example 4.2** To illustrate the application of the theory we consider another partial integro-differential equation, with fractional derivative of the form

$$\begin{cases}
 \frac{\partial^{\frac{3}{4}}}{\partial t^{\frac{3}{4}}} [x(t, v) - \int_{-\infty}^t e^{(s-t)}(x(s, v)) ds] \\
 = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} [x(t, v) - \int_{-\infty}^t e^{(s-t)}(x(s, v)) ds] + \int_{-\infty}^t H(t, v, s-t)Q(x(s, v)) ds \\
 + \int_0^t \Upsilon(s, t)e^{-x(s, v)} ds + \lambda\rho(t, v), \quad 0 \leq t \leq a, 0 \leq v \leq 1, \\
 x(t, 0) = x(t, 1) = 0, \quad 0 \leq t \leq a, \\
 x(0, v) = \sum_{i=1}^n \arctan \frac{1}{2i^2} x(i, v), \quad 0 \leq v \leq 1,
 \end{cases} \tag{17}$$

where  $\varphi \in B_{l_0}$ ,  $\lambda > 0$ ,  $0 < n < a$  and  $\rho : [0, a] \times (0, 1) \rightarrow (0, 1)$ .

Let  $E = U =: L^2([0, 1])$  and let  $A : D(A) \subset E \rightarrow E$  be defined by  $Aw = -w'$ ,  $w \in D(A)$ , where  $D(A) = \{w \in E : w' \in E, w(0) = w(1) = 0\}$ . It is well known that  $-A$  is an infinitesimal generator of a semigroup  $T(t)$  ( $t \geq 0$ ) in  $E$  and is given by  $T(t)w(s) = w(t+s)$  for  $w \in E$ . Thus  $T(t)$  ( $t \geq 0$ ) is not compact in  $E$  with  $\chi(T(t)D) \leq \chi(D)$  where  $\chi$  is the Hausdorff MNC and there exists a  $N$  such that  $\sup_{0 \leq t \leq a} \|T(t)\| \leq N$ . Moreover,  $t \rightarrow w(t^{\frac{3}{4}}\vartheta + s)x$  is equicontinuous for  $t > 0$  and  $\vartheta \in (-\infty, 0)$ .

Let  $l(s) = e^s$ ,  $s < 0$ , then  $l_0 = \int_{-\infty}^0 l(s) ds = 1$ , and we define

$$\|\varphi\|_{B_{l_0}} = \int_{-\infty}^0 l(s) \sup_{\tau \in [s, 0]} \|\varphi(\tau)\| ds.$$

Let  $x : (-\infty, a] \rightarrow R$  be such that  $x_0 \in B_{l_0}$ . For  $t \in [0, a]$ , we have

$$\|x_t\|_{B_{l_0}} = \int_{-\infty}^0 l(s) \sup_{\tau \in [s, 0]} \|x_t(\tau)\| ds \leq \sup_{s \in [0, t]} |x(s)| + \|x_0\|_{B_{l_0}} < \infty.$$

Hence  $x_t \in B_{l_0}$ . Now we prove that

$$\|x_t\|_{B_{l_0}} \leq K(t) \sup_{s \in [0, t]} |x(s)| + M(t)\|x_0\|_{B_{l_0}},$$

where  $K(t) \equiv M(t) \equiv 1$ ,  $H = 1$ .

For  $\tau + t \leq 0$ , we derive

$$|x_t(\tau)| = |x(t + \tau)| \leq \sup\{|x(s)| : -\infty < s \leq 0\}.$$

If  $\tau + t \geq 0$ , then we get

$$|x_t(\tau)| \leq \sup\{|x(s)| : 0 \leq s \leq 0\}.$$

Thus for all  $\tau + t \in (-\infty, a]$ , we obtain

$$|x_t(\tau)| \leq \sup\{|x(s)| : -\infty < s \leq 0\} + \sup\{|x(s)| : 0 \leq s \leq 0\}.$$

It is clear that  $(B_{l_0}, \|\cdot\|_{B_{l_0}})$  is a Banach space. We can conclude that  $B_{l_0}$  is a phase space. Define

$$\begin{aligned} x(t)(v) &= x(t, v), \\ D^{\frac{3}{4}}x(t)(v) &= \frac{\partial^{\frac{3}{4}}}{\partial t^{\frac{3}{4}}}x(t, v), \\ g(t, \varphi)(v) &= \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{\tau} \varphi(\tau)(v) d\tau, \\ f(t, \varphi, \mathfrak{R}x(t))(v) &= \int_{-\infty}^0 H(t, v, \tau)Q(\varphi(\tau)v) d\tau + \mathfrak{R}x(t)(v), \\ c_i &= \arctan \frac{1}{2i^2}, \quad t_i = i, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\mathfrak{R}x(t)(v) = \int_0^t \Upsilon(s, t)e^{-x(s,v)} ds$ . Then with these settings equations (17) can be written in the abstract form of (1). Suppose further that:

- (a) The function  $H(t, x, \tau) \geq 0$  is continuous in  $J \times [0, 1] \times (-\infty, 0]$  and satisfies  $\int_{-\infty}^0 H^2(t, x, \tau) d\tau < \infty$ .
- (b) The function  $Q(\cdot)$  is continuous,  $0 \leq Q(x(\tau, v)) \leq \int_{-\infty}^0 e^s |x(s, \cdot)|_{L^2} ds$  for  $(\tau, v) \in (-\infty, 0] \times [0, 1]$ .

Thus under the above hypotheses, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|f(t, \varphi, \mathfrak{R}x(t))\|_{L^2} &\leq \left\{ \int_0^1 \left[ \int_{-\infty}^0 H(t, v, \tau)Q(\varphi(\tau)v) d\tau \right]^2 dv \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\quad + \left\{ \int_0^1 [Bx(t)(v)]^2 dv \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\leq \left\{ \int_0^1 \left[ \int_{-\infty}^0 H(t, v, \tau) \int_{-\infty}^0 e^s |\varphi(\tau)(\cdot)|_{L^2} ds d\tau \right]^2 dv \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}} + \|\mathfrak{R}x(t)\|_{L^2} \\ &\leq \left\{ \int_0^1 \left[ \int_{-\infty}^0 H(t, v, \tau) d\tau \right]^2 dv \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}} \|\varphi\|_{B_{l_0}} + \|\mathfrak{R}x(t)\|_{L^2} \\ &= S_r(t), \end{aligned}$$

hence  $f$  satisfies (H3) and in a similar way we can show that  $g$  may satisfy (H4).

For  $v \in (0, 1)$ , the operator  $\mathfrak{S}$  is defined by

$$(\mathfrak{S}(t))(v) = \varpi(a) \left[ I - \sum_{i=1}^n \arctan \frac{1}{2i^2} \varpi(i) \right]^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \arctan \frac{1}{2i^2} \int_0^i (i-s)^{-\frac{1}{4}} \cdot v(i-s)\lambda\rho(s, v) ds + \int_0^a (a-s)^{-\frac{1}{4}} v(a-s)\lambda\rho(s, v) ds,$$

where  $\{\varpi(t)\}_{(t \geq 0)}$  and  $\{v(t)\}_{(t \geq 0)}$  are the same as the formulas in Example 4.1.

Then all the conditions of Theorem 3.1 are satisfied. Hence, system (17) is controllable on  $J$ .

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