

*Observability for parabolic equations
from a measurable set in time*

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EXACT CONTROL FOR THE HEAT EQUATION

Let Ω be a bounded smooth domain in $\mathbb{R}^n$, $\omega \subset \Omega$, $T > 0$. Given $y_0 \in L^2(\Omega)$, there is (y, f) satisfying

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \partial_t y - \Delta y = 1_\omega f & \text{in } \Omega \times (0, T) , \\ y = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega \times (0, T) , \\ y(\cdot, 0) = y_0 & \text{in } \Omega , \\ y(\cdot, T) = 0 & \text{in } \Omega , \\ \|f\|_{L^2(\Omega \times (0, T))} \leq c \|y_0\|_{L^2(\Omega)} & . \end{array} \right.$$

G. Lebeau, L. Robbiano, *CPDE* (1995).

A. Fursikov, O. Imanuvilov, *Lecture Note Series* (1996). Also OK for parabolic equations

EQUIVALENTLY

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u - \Delta u = 0 & \text{in } \Omega \times (0, T) , \\ u = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega \times (0, T) , \\ u(\cdot, 0) \in L^2(\Omega) , \end{cases}$$

$$\|u(\cdot, T)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 \leq c \int_0^T \int_{\omega} |u(x, t)|^2 dx dt .$$

ORIGINAL LEBEAU-ROBBIANO STRATEGY

Hölder type Observation for elliptic

$$\|w\|_{H^1(\Omega \times (\gamma, T-\gamma))} \leq C \left(\|w\|_{L^2(\omega \times (0, T))} \right)^{1-\alpha} \left(\|w\|_{H^1(\Omega \times (0, T))} \right)^{\alpha}$$

for any $w \in H^2(\Omega \times (0, T))$, $(\partial_t^2 + \Delta) w = 0$ and $w|_{\partial\Omega} = 0$.

$\Rightarrow$ Controllability in finite and infinite dim

$\Rightarrow$ Observability

SHORTCUT OF LEBEAU-ROBBIANO STRATEGY

Hölder type Observation for elliptic

$\implies$ Sum of eigenfunctions estimate

$\implies$ Observability

G. Lebeau, E. Zuazua, *ARMA* (1998).

L. Miller, *DCDS* (2010).

PLAN & AIM

- I. A similar way for parabolic equations
- II. Replace $(0, T)$ by a measurable set E in time, $|E| > 0$
- III. Time optimal bang-bang control

NEW OBSERVABILITY INEQUALITY

$a \in L^\infty(0, T; L^q(\Omega))$, $q \geq 2$ and $b \in L^\infty(\Omega \times (0, T))^n$

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u - \Delta u + au + b \cdot \nabla u = 0 & \text{in } \Omega \times (0, T) , \\ u = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega \times (0, T) , \\ u(\cdot, 0) \in L^2(\Omega) , \end{cases}$$

Ω convex, $\omega \subset \Omega$, $E \subset (0, T)$ and $|E| > 0$

$$\|u(\cdot, T)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \leq c \int_{\omega} \int_E |u(x, t)| dx dt .$$

STRATEGY FOR PARABOLIC

Hölder type Observation from one point in time

$$\|u(\cdot, \ell)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \leq C e^{\frac{C}{\ell}} \left(\|u(\cdot, \ell)\|_{L^2(\omega)} \right)^{1-\alpha} \left(\|u(\cdot, 0)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \right)^{\alpha}$$

$\implies$

Observability for a measurable set in time

$$\|u(\cdot, T)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \leq c \int_{\omega} \int_E |u(x, t)| dx dt$$

Proof

Step I. Observation from one point in time

- here Ω convex or star-shaped domain
- interpolation inequality, parameter $\varepsilon > 0$

Step II. Usage of set of positive measure, $E \subset (0, T)$ and $|E| > 0$

- Construction of a sequence of points $\{\ell_j\}_{j \geq 1}$
- parameter $z > 1$

Step III. Choice of the parameters: ε and z

Observation from a point in time

$$\|u(\cdot, \ell)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \leq C e^{\frac{C}{\ell}} \left(\|u(\cdot, \ell)\|_{L^2(\omega)} \right)^{1-\alpha} \left(\|u(\cdot, 0)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \right)^{\alpha}$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\|u(\cdot, \ell)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \leq \frac{1}{\varepsilon^\gamma} C e^{\frac{C}{\ell}} \|u(\cdot, \ell)\|_{L^1(\omega)} + \varepsilon \|u(\cdot, 0)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \\ \forall \varepsilon > 0$$

Set of positive measure

Let $T > 0$ and $E \subset (0, T)$ be a set of positive measure. Let L be a point of density for E . Then for any $z > 1$, there exists $\ell_1 \in (L, T)$ such that the decreasing sequence $\{\ell_j\}_{j \geq 1}$ given by

$$\ell_{j+1} = L + \frac{1}{z^j} (\ell_1 - L)$$

converges to L and satisfies

$$\ell_j - \ell_{j+1} \leq 3 |E \cap (\ell_{j+1}, \ell_j)| .$$

End of proof 1/2

Take $0 < \ell_{j+2} < \ell_{j+1} \leq t \leq \ell_j < T$,

$$\begin{aligned} \|u(\cdot, t)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} &\leq \varepsilon \|u(\cdot, \ell_{j+2})\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\varepsilon^\gamma} C e^{C/(t-\ell_{j+2})} \|u(\cdot, t)\|_{L^1(\omega)} \end{aligned}$$

We know that $\|u(\cdot, \ell_j)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \leq c \|u(\cdot, t)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}$.

We integrate over $E \cap (\ell_{j+1}, \ell_j)$

$$\begin{aligned} &|E \cap (\ell_{j+1}, \ell_j)| c \|u(\cdot, \ell_j)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \\ &\leq |E \cap (\ell_{j+1}, \ell_j)| \varepsilon \|u(\cdot, \ell_{j+2})\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \\ &\quad + \frac{C}{\varepsilon^\gamma} e^{C/(\ell_{j+1}-\ell_{j+2})} \int_{E \cap (\ell_{j+1}, \ell_j)} \|u(\cdot, t)\|_{L^1(\omega)} dt \end{aligned}$$

End of proof 2/2

We use ℓ_j

$$\begin{aligned} & \varepsilon^\gamma e^{-C \left[\frac{1}{\ell_1 - L} \frac{z^{j+2}}{z(z-1)} \right]} \|u(\cdot, \ell_j)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} - \varepsilon^{\gamma+1} e^{-C \left[\frac{1}{\ell_1 - L} \frac{z^{j+2}}{z(z-1)} \right]} \|u(\cdot, \ell_{j+2})\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \\ & \leq c \int_{E \cap (\ell_{j+1}, \ell_j)} \|u(\cdot, t)\|_{L^1(\omega)} dt \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Set } d = C \left[\frac{1}{\ell_1 - L} \frac{1}{z(z-1)} \right].$$

We choose $\varepsilon = e^{-dz^{j+2}}$ and $(\gamma + 1)z^2 = (\gamma + 2)$

$$\begin{aligned} & e^{-d(\gamma+2)z^j} \|u(\cdot, \ell_j)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} - e^{-d(\gamma+2)z^{j+2}} \|u(\cdot, \ell_{j+2})\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \\ & \leq c \int_{E \cap (\ell_{j+1}, \ell_j)} \|u(\cdot, t)\|_{L^1(\omega)} dt \end{aligned}$$

We take $j = 2j'$ and make the sum for $j' = 1$ until infinity.

Proof of Observation from a point in time 1/3

$$G_{\lambda}(x, t) = \frac{e^{-\frac{|x - x_0|^2}{4(\ell - t + \lambda)}}}{(\ell - t - \lambda)^{n/2}}$$

$$N_{\lambda, u}(t) = \frac{\int_{\Omega} |\nabla u(x, t)|^2 G_{\lambda}(x, t) dx}{\int_{\Omega} |u(x, t)|^2 G_{\lambda}(x, t) dx}$$

Proof of Observation from a point in time 2/3

Ω convex

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} |u|^2 G_{\lambda} dx + \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^2 G_{\lambda} dx = \int_{\Omega} u (\partial_t - \Delta) u G_{\lambda} dx$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} N_{\lambda, u}(t) \leq \frac{1}{\ell - t + \lambda} N_{\lambda, u}(t) + \frac{\int_{\Omega} |(\partial_t - \Delta) u|^2 G_{\lambda} dx}{\int_{\Omega} |u|^2 G_{\lambda} dx}$$

Proof of Observation from a point in time 3/3

Step I. Make appear $B_r \subset \omega$

$$\left[-\frac{16\lambda}{r^2} \left(\lambda N_{\lambda,u}(\ell) + \frac{n}{4} \right) + 1 \right] \int_{\Omega} |u(\ell)|^2 e^{-\frac{|x-x_0|^2}{4\lambda}} dx \leq \int_{B_r} |u(\ell)|^2 dx$$

Step II. Estimate $\lambda N_{\lambda,u}(\ell) + \frac{n}{4}$

$$\lambda N_{\lambda,u}(\ell) + \frac{n}{4} \leq C \left(\frac{\lambda}{\ell} + 1 \right) e^{C\ell} \ln \left[e^{C(1+\frac{1}{\ell})} \frac{\int_{\Omega} |u(0)|^2 dx}{\int_{\Omega} |u(\ell)|^2 dx} \right]$$

Step III. Choice of λ

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{16\lambda}{r^2} C \left(\frac{\lambda}{\ell} + 1 \right) e^{C\ell} \ln \left[e^{C(1+\frac{1}{\ell})} \frac{\int_{\Omega} |u(0)|^2 dx}{\int_{\Omega} |u(\ell)|^2 dx} \right]$$

Exact control and cost imply Bang-bang control

For any $y_0 \in L^2(\Omega)$, there exists a control $f \in L^\infty(\Omega \times E)$ such that the unique solution y of

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t y - \Delta y + a(x, t) y = 1|_{\omega \times E} f & \text{in } \Omega \times (0, T) , \\ y = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega \times (0, T) , \\ y(\cdot, 0) = y_0 & \text{in } \Omega , \end{cases}$$

satisfies

$$y(\cdot, T) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \|f\|_{L^\infty(\Omega \times E)} \leq c \|y_0\|_{L^2(\Omega)} .$$

Known result

Let Ω be a bounded smooth domain in $\mathbb{R}^n$, $\omega \subset \Omega$. Given $y_0 \in L^2(\Omega)$ and $M > 0$, if $(y^*, 1_{|(0,T^*)} f^*)$ is a couple (y, f) satisfying

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \partial_t y - \Delta y = 1_{|\omega} f & \text{in } \Omega \times (0, +\infty) , \\ y = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega \times (0, +\infty) , \\ y(\cdot, 0) = y_0 & \text{in } \Omega , \\ y(\cdot, T^*) = 0 & \text{in } \Omega , \\ \|f(\cdot, t)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \leq M & \text{a.e. } t \in (0, +\infty) , \end{array} \right.$$

and $T^* > 0$ is the smallest of the admissible time among all the couples (y, f) , then

$$\|f^*(\cdot, t)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} = M \quad \text{a.e. } t \in (0, T^*) .$$

Further, $(y^*, 1_{|(0,T^*)} f^*)$ is unique.

NEW RESULT

Let Ω be a convex or star-shaped domain in $\mathbb{R}^n$, $\omega \subset \Omega$, $T > 0$, $a \in L^\infty(\Omega \times (0, T))$. Given $y_0 \in L^2(\Omega)$ and $M > 0$, if $(y^*, 1_{|\omega} f^*)$ is a couple (y, f) satisfying

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t y - \Delta y + a(x, t) y = 1_{|\omega} f & \text{in } \Omega \times (0, T) , \\ y = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega \times (0, T) , \\ y(\cdot, 0) = y_0 & \text{in } \Omega , \\ y(\cdot, T) = 0 & \text{in } \Omega , \\ \|f(\cdot, t)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \leq M & \text{a.e. } t \in (0, T) , \end{cases}$$

and $\tau^* \in [0, T)$ is the largest admissible time among all the couples (y, f) , then

$$\|f^*(\cdot, t)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} = M \quad \text{a.e. } t \in (\tau^*, T) .$$

Further, $(y^*, 1_{|\omega} f^*)$ is unique.

Proof by contradiction

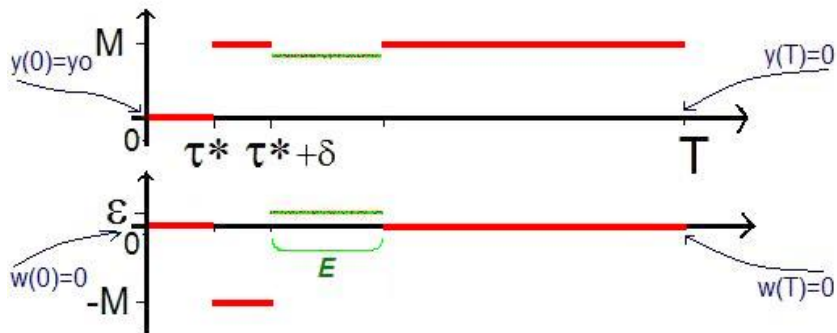
If $\|f^*(\cdot, t)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} = M$ a.e. $t \in (\tau^*, T)$ is false,
then $\exists \varepsilon > 0$ and $E \subset (\tau^*, T)$, $|E| > 0$ such that

$$\|f^*(\cdot, t)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \leq M - \varepsilon \quad \text{a.e. } t \in E.$$

Aim : Contradiction with the optimality of τ^*
i.e., construction of a couple $(z, 1_{(\tau^*+\delta, T)} v)$ solution of

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \partial_t z - \Delta z + az = 1_{|\omega \times (\tau^*+\delta, T)} v & \text{in } \Omega \times (0, T), \\ z = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega \times (0, T), \\ z(\cdot, 0) = y_0 & \text{in } \Omega, \\ z(\cdot, T) = 0 & \text{in } \Omega, \\ \|v(\cdot, t)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \leq M & \text{a.e. } t \in (0, T), \end{array} \right.$$

for a small $\delta > 0$ with $E \subset (\tau^* + \delta_o, T)$ for a sufficiently small $\delta_o > 0$.



Thank You!