

# Null-controllability of parabolic-transport systems

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# Introduction

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## Theorem (Null-controllability of the heat equation (Lebeau & Robbiano 1995, Fursikov & Imanuvilov 1996))

$\Omega$  a  $C^2$  connected bounded open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\omega$  a non-empty open subset of  $\Omega$ , and  $T > 0$ . The heat equation is null-controllable on  $\omega$  in time  $T$ .

The equation:

$$\partial_t f(t, x) + A \partial_x f(t, x) - B \partial_x^2 f(t, x) + K f(t, x) = \mathbf{1}_\omega u(t, x), \quad (t, x) \in [0, +\infty[ \times \mathbb{T}$$

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{pmatrix}, \quad D + D^* \text{ positive-definite}; \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{pmatrix}, \quad A_{11} = A_{11}^*.$$

Coupling between parabolic and transport equations

$$f = \begin{pmatrix} f_h \\ f_p \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{cases} (\partial_t + A_{11} \partial_x + K_{11}) f_h(t, x) + (A_{12} \partial_x + K_{12}) f_p(t, x) = \mathbf{1}_\omega u_h(t, x) \\ (\partial_t - D \partial_x^2 + A_{22} \partial_x + K_{22}) f_p(t, x) + (A_{21} \partial_x + K_{21}) f_h(t, x) = \mathbf{1}_\omega u_p(t, x) \end{cases}$$

**Question**

For every,  $f_0 \in L^2(\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{C}^d)$  does there exist  $u \in L^2([0, T] \times \omega, \mathbb{C}^d)$  such that  $f(T, \cdot) = 0$ ? What if we ask for  $u_h = 0$  (or  $u_p = 0$ )?

## The results

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Theorem (Beauchard-K-Le Balc'h 2019)

$\omega$  an open interval of  $\mathbb{T}$ .

$$T^* = \frac{2\pi - \text{length}(\omega)}{\min_{\mu \in \text{Sp}(A_{11})} |\mu|}$$

Then

1. the system is not null-controllable on  $\omega$  in time  $T < T^*$ ,
2. the system is null-controllable on  $\omega$  in time  $T > T^*$ .

Minimal time = minimal time for the transport equation

In the case

$$\partial_t f_h + A_{11} \partial_x f_h = u_h \mathbf{1}_\omega$$

Free solutions = sums of waves travelling at speed  $\mu_k \in \text{Sp}(A_{11})$ .

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- [Ervedoza-Guerrero-Glass-Puel 2012]: equation posed on  $(0, L)$ , boundary control acting on  $(\rho, v)$  in time  $T > L/|\bar{v}|$
- [Chowdhury-Mitra-Ramaswamy-Renardy 2014]: velocity control in time  $T > 2\pi/|\bar{v}|$  for the initial conditions  $(\rho_0, v_0) \in H^1 \times L^2$ .
- [Beauchard-K-Le Balc'h 2020] with  $A = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{v} & \bar{\rho} \\ a \bar{\rho}^{\gamma-2} & \bar{v} \end{pmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \mu/\bar{\rho} \end{pmatrix}$ : velocity control, in time  $T > (2\pi - \text{length}(\omega))/|\bar{v}|$  for initial conditions in  $H^2 \times H^2$ .

(Idea of the) proof

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- Free solutions:  $= \sum X_{nk} e^{inx - n^2 \lambda_{nk} t} \approx \sum_{\text{parabolic}} X_{nk} e^{inx - n^2 \lambda_k t} + \sum_{\text{hyperbolic}} X_{nk} e^{inx - in\mu_k t}$
- Well-posed if  $\Re(\lambda_k) > 0$  and  $\mu_k \in \mathbb{R}$
- Not null-controllable in small time

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- Deal the finite dimensional subspaces that are left:  
compactness-uniqueness

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- Solution: don't use eigenvectors nor eigenvalues
- We use *total eigenprojections*: sum of eigenprojections associated to eigenvalues that are close to each other (Kato's perturbation theory...)

$$-\frac{1}{2i\pi} \oint_{\Gamma} (M - z)^{-1} dz = \text{Eigenprojection on eigenspaces associated to eigenvalues of } M \text{ lying inside } \Gamma$$

- Kato's *reduction process*

## Conclusion

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## Open problems

- domain other than  $\mathbb{T}$ ?
- less controls than equations?
- non-constant coefficient?
- unique continuation?
- ...

That's all folks!