## New phenomena in the null controllability of coupled parabolic systems

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#### GOAL:

The general aim of this talk is to show some phenomenona which arise when we deal with the null controllability properties of **coupled parabolic** systems:

- First phenomenon: Boundary controllability is not equivalent to distributed controllability for coupled parabolic systems.
- Second phenomenon: The null controllability properties are not equivalent to the approximated controllability of these problems.
- Third phenomenon: Minimal time of controllability. The null controllability only holds if is *T* is large enough.
- Fourth phenomenon: The null controllability of parabolic system depends on the position of the control open set (de Teresa's talk).

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2 First phenomenon: Boundary and distributed controllability

3 Second phenomenon: Approximate and null controllability

4 Third phenomenon: Minimal time of controllability

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## 1. Introduction. Statement of the problem

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Let us fix T > 0 and  $\omega = (a, b) \subset (0, \pi)$ . We consider the coupled parabolic systems:

(1) 
$$\begin{cases} y_t - Dy_{xx} + A_0 y = Bu \mathbf{1}_{\omega} & \text{in } Q := (0, \pi) \times (0, T), \\ y(0, \cdot) = 0, \quad y(\pi, \cdot) = 0 & \text{on } (0, T), \\ y(\cdot, 0) = y_0, & \text{in } (0, \pi), \end{cases}$$
(2) 
$$\begin{cases} y_t - Dy_{xx} + A_0 y = 0 & \text{in } Q, \\ y(0, \cdot) = Bv, \quad y(\pi, \cdot) = 0 & \text{on } (0, T), \\ y(\cdot, 0) = y_0 & \text{in } (0, \pi), \end{cases}$$

In (1) and (2),  $1_{\omega}$  is the characteristic function of the set  $\omega$ , y(x, t) is the state,  $y_0 \in L^2(0, \pi; \mathbb{R}^2)$  (or  $y_0 \in H^{-1}(0, \pi; \mathbb{R}^2)$ ) is the initial datum and

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$$D = \text{diag}(d_1, d_2) \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^2)$$
, with  $d_i > 0$ , and  $A_0 \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^2)$  constant matrices;  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  constant vector of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ;

•  $v \in L^2(0,T)$  and  $u \in L^2(Q)$  are scalar control functions.

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#### Remark

In this talk we are interested in studying the controllability properties of systems (2) and (1). Boundary and distributed control problems.

#### **IMPORTANT**

We have systems of two coupled heat equations and we want to control these systems (two states) only acting on the second equation.

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## 1 Introduction. Statement of the problem

#### Objective

We want to study the controllability properties of systems (1) and (2):

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under the assumption:

$$\boldsymbol{D} = \operatorname{diag}\left(\boldsymbol{d}_1, \boldsymbol{d}_2\right).$$

We will consider the "simplest" case: 1 - d, two equations and

$$\boldsymbol{A}_0 = \left(\begin{array}{cc} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{array}\right), \quad \boldsymbol{B} = \left(\begin{array}{cc} 0 \\ 1 \end{array}\right)$$

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## 2. First phenomenon: Boundary and distributed controllability

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2.1 Distributed null controllability of a linear reaction-diffusion system

Let us consider the  $2 \times 2$  linear reaction-diffusion system

(3) 
$$\begin{cases} y_t - Dy_{xx} + A_1 y = Bu 1_{\omega} & \text{in } Q, \\ y(0, \cdot) = 0, \quad y(\pi, \cdot) = 0 & \text{on } (0, T), \\ y(\cdot, 0) = y_0, & \text{in } (0, \pi), \end{cases}$$

Here  $\omega$  and T are as before,  $y_0 \in L^2((0, \pi); \mathbb{R}^2)$  and

$$\boldsymbol{D} = \left(\begin{array}{cc} d_1 & 0\\ 0 & d_2 \end{array}\right), \quad \boldsymbol{d}_1, \boldsymbol{d}_2 > 0, \quad \boldsymbol{A}_1 = \left(\begin{array}{cc} a_{11} & a_{12}\\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{array}\right), \quad \boldsymbol{B} = \left(\begin{array}{cc} 0\\ 1 \end{array}\right).$$

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One has

#### Theorem

System (3) is exactly controllable to trajectories at time T if and only if

$$\det\left[\underline{B}, \underline{A_1}\underline{B}\right] \neq 0 \Longleftrightarrow \underline{a_{12}} \neq 0.$$

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**Proof:**  $\implies$ : If  $a_{12} = 0$ , then  $y_1$  is independent of u.

 $\leftarrow$ : The controllability result for system (3) is equivalent to the observability inequality:  $\exists C > 0$  such that

$$\|\varphi_1(\cdot,0)\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\varphi_2(\cdot,0)\|_{L^2}^2 \le C \iint_{\omega \times (0,T)} |\varphi_2(x,t)|^2 \, dx \, dt,$$

where  $\varphi$  is the solution associated to  $\varphi_0 \in L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^2)$  of the adjoint problem:

(4) 
$$\begin{cases} -\varphi_t - \mathbf{D}\varphi_{xx} + A_1^*\varphi = 0 & \text{in } Q, \\ \varphi = 0 \text{ on } \Sigma, \quad \varphi(\cdot, T) = \varphi_0 & \text{in } \Omega. \end{cases}$$

It is a consequence of well known global Carleman estimates for parabolic equations.

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#### Lemma

There exist a positive regular function,  $\alpha_0$ , and two positive constants  $C_0$  and  $\sigma_0$  (only depending on  $\omega$ ) s.t.

$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{I}(\phi) \equiv \iint_{Q} e^{-2s\alpha} [s\rho(t)]^{-1} \left( |\phi_{t}|^{2} + |\phi_{xx}|^{2} \right) \\ + \iint_{Q} e^{-2s\alpha} [s\rho(t)] |\nabla \phi|^{2} + \iint_{Q} e^{-2s\alpha} [s\rho(t)]^{3} |\phi|^{2} \\ \leq C_{0} \left( \iint_{\omega \times (0,T)} e^{-2s\alpha} [s\rho(t)]^{3} |\phi|^{2} + \iint_{Q} e^{-2s\alpha} |\phi_{t} \pm \phi_{xx}|^{2} \right), \end{cases}$$

 $\forall s \geq s_0 = \sigma_0(\Omega, \omega)(T + T^2) \text{ and } \phi \in L^2(0, T; H^1_0(\Omega)) \text{ s.t. } \phi_t \pm \phi_{xx} \in L^2(Q).$ The functions  $\rho(t)$  and  $\alpha = \alpha(x, t)$  are given by

$$\boldsymbol{\rho}(t) = [t(T-t)]^{-1}, \quad \boldsymbol{\alpha}(x,t) = \boldsymbol{\alpha}_0(x)/t(T-t).$$

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Coming back to the adjoint problem for system (4), if we apply to  $\phi = \varphi_1$  and  $\phi = \varphi_2$  the previous inequality in  $\omega_0 \subset \omega$ . After some computations we get

$$\mathcal{I}(\varphi_1) + \mathcal{I}(\varphi_2) \leq \mathbf{C}_1 s^3 \iint_{\boldsymbol{\omega}_0 \times (0,T)} e^{-2s\boldsymbol{\alpha}} [t(T-t)]^{-3} \left( |\varphi_1|^2 + |\varphi_2|^2 \right),$$

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 $\forall s \ge s_1 = \sigma_1(\Omega, \omega_0)(T + T^2).$ We now use the second equation in (4),  $a_{12}\varphi_1 = \varphi_{2,t} + d_2\varphi_{2,xx} - a_{22}\varphi_2$ , to prove ( $\varepsilon > 0$ ):

$$s^{3} \iint_{\omega_{0} \times (0,T)} e^{-2s\alpha} [t(T-t)]^{-3} |\varphi_{1}|^{2} \leq \varepsilon \mathcal{I}(\varphi_{1})$$
$$+ \frac{C_{2}}{\varepsilon} s^{7} \iint_{\omega \times (0,T)} e^{-2s\alpha} [t(T-t)]^{-7} |\varphi_{2}|^{2}.$$

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From the two previous inequalities (global Carleman estimate)

$$\mathcal{I}(\varphi_1) + \mathcal{I}(\varphi_2) \leq \frac{C_2 s^7}{\int \int_{\omega \times (0,T)} e^{-2s\alpha} [t(T-t)]^{-7} |\varphi_2|^2},$$

 $\forall s \geq s_1 = \sigma_1(\Omega, \omega_0)(T + T^2)$ . Combining this inequality and energy estimates for system (4) we deduce the desired observability inequality.

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#### Remark

- System (3) is always controllable if we exert a control in each equation (two controls). Important: D is a diagonal matrix.
- The controllability result for system (3) is independent of the diffusion matrix *D*. This positive controllability result is also valid in the *N*-dimensional case.
- The same result can be obtained for the approximate controllability at time T. Therefore, *approximate* and *null controllability* are equivalent concepts.

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Let us consider the problem

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$$\begin{cases} y_t - \mathbf{D}\Delta y + Ay = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{v}\mathbf{1}_{\boldsymbol{\omega}} & \text{in } Q = \Omega \times (0, T), \\ y = 0 \text{ on } \Sigma = \partial \Omega \times (0, T), \quad y(\cdot, 0) = y_0 \text{ in } \Omega, \end{cases}$$

where  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^N$  is a nonempty smooth bounded connected open set,  $\omega \subset \Omega$  a nonempty open subset,  $A \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $B \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $D \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  (positive definite). The control  $\nu \in L^2(Q; \mathbb{R}^m)$ : *m*-controls.

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The dimensions of the Jordan blocks of the canonical form of D are  $\leq 4$ .

Theorem (Distributed control)

System (5) is null controllable at time T if and only if

$$\operatorname{rank}\left[\lambda_k D + A \mid B\right] = n, \quad \forall k \ge 1.$$

where  $\{\lambda_k\}_{k\geq 1}$  is the sequence of eigenvalues for  $-\Delta$  with homogeneous Dirichlet boundary conditions and

$$[\lambda_k D + A \mid B] = [B, (\lambda_k D + A)B, (\lambda_k D + A)^2 B, \cdots, (\lambda_k D + A)^{n-1}B].$$

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$$\begin{cases} y_t - Dy_{xx} + A_1 y = 0 & \text{in } Q, \\ y(0, \cdot) = Bv, \quad y(\pi, \cdot) = 0 & \text{on } (0, T), \\ y(\cdot, 0) = y_0 & \text{in } (0, \pi), \end{cases}$$

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#### Theorem (Fernández-Cara, M.G.-B., de Teresa, (2010))

Assume  $d_1 = d_2 > 0$ . Assume  $\mu_1, \mu_2$  are the eigenvalues of  $A_1$ . Then system (6) is null controllable at time T if and only  $det [B, A_1B] = a_{12} \neq 0$ and

$$\pi^{-2}(\mu_1 - \mu_2) \neq j^2 - k^2 \quad \forall k, j \in \mathbb{N} \text{ with } k \neq j.$$

• FERNÁNDEZ-CARA, G.-B., DE TERESA, Boundary controllability of parabolic coupled equations, J. Funct. Anal. 259 (2010).

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#### First phenomenon

The boundary and distributed controllability properties of the system

$$y_t - \mathbf{D}y_{xx} + \mathbf{A}_1 y$$

are different and not equivalent.

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#### Remark

*The same result can be obtained for the approximate controllability at time T. Therefore, approximate and null controllability are equivalent concepts.* 

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## 3. Second phenomenon: Approximate and null controllability

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where 
$$D = \text{diag}(d_1, d_2), A_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

We will assume that  $d_1 \neq d_2$  and, for instance,  $d_1 = 1$ ,  $d_2 = d \neq 1$ .

#### GOAL

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Given 
$$T > 0$$
, does there exist  $v \in L^2(0, T)$  s.t.  $y(T) = 0$ ?

#### Remark

Recall that the parabolic system  $y_t - Dy_{xx} + A_0y = u1_{\omega}$  is approximate and null controllable at time T for any T > 0.

$$\begin{cases} y_t - Dy_{xx} + A_0 y = 0 & \text{in } Q, \\ y(0, \cdot) = Bv, \quad y(\pi, \cdot) = 0 & \text{on } (0, T), \\ y(\cdot, 0) = y_0 & \text{in } (0, \pi), \end{cases}$$

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Theorem (Fernández-Cara, M.G.-B., de Teresa, (2010)) Assume  $d \neq 1$ . Then system (2) is approximately controllable at time T > 0 if and only if  $\sqrt{d} \notin \mathbb{Q}$ .

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Is this problem null controllable when  $\left| \sqrt{d} \notin \mathbb{Q} \right|$ ??? No:

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Theorem (Luca, de Teresa, (2012))

*There exists* d > 0 *with*  $\sqrt{d} \notin \mathbb{Q}$  *such that system* (2) *is not null controllable at any time* T > 0.

• LUCA, DE TERESA, Control of coupled parabolic systems and Diophantine approximations, SeMA J. 61 (2013).

#### Second phenomenon

For system (2): Approximate controllability ( null controllability.

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# 4. Third phenomenon: Minimal time of controllability

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#### Assumption

In the sequel, 
$$\boxed{D = \text{diag}(1, d)}$$
 with  $\boxed{d \neq 1}$  and  $\sqrt{d} \notin \mathbb{Q}$ 

#### Goal

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Analyze the null controllability properties at time T > 0 of system (2).

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Let  $\varphi$  be a solution of the adjoint problem:

$$\begin{cases} -\varphi_t - \mathbf{D}\varphi_{xx} + \mathbf{A}_0^*\varphi = 0 & \text{in } Q, \\ \varphi(0, \cdot) = \varphi(\pi, \cdot) = 0 & \text{on } (0, T), \\ \varphi(\cdot, T) = \varphi_0 \in H_0^1(0, \pi)^2 & \text{in } (0, \pi). \end{cases}$$

If *y* is a solution of the direct problem, then

$$\langle y(T), \varphi_0 \rangle - \langle y_0, \varphi(0) \rangle = \int_0^T v(t) B^* D \varphi_x(0, t) dt$$

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$$\langle y(T),\varphi_0\rangle - \langle y_0,\varphi(0)\rangle = \int_0^T v(t)B^*D\varphi_x(0,t)\,dt$$

Thus 
$$y(T) = 0 \iff \exists \mathbf{v} \in L^2(0, T)$$
 such that  
$$\int_0^T \mathbf{v}(t) \mathbf{B}^* \mathbf{D} \varphi_x(0, t) \, dt = -\langle y_0, \varphi(0) \rangle, \quad \forall \varphi_0 \in H_0^1(0, \pi)^2$$

#### **Fattorini-Russell Method**

Material at our disposal

- $\sigma(-D\partial_{xx}^2 + A_0^*) = \bigcup_{k \ge 1} \{k^2, dk^2\} := \bigcup_{k \ge 1} \{\lambda_{k,1}, \lambda_{k,2}\}$
- $V_{k,1}$  and  $V_{k,2}$ : eigenvectors of the matrix  $(k^2 D + A_0^*)$  associated to the eigenvalues  $k^2$ ,  $dk^2$ .
- $\Phi_{k,i} = V_{k,i} \sin kx$ , i = 1, 2: eigenfunctions of  $(-D\partial_{xx}^2 + A_0^*)$ .
- {Φ<sub>k,i</sub>} is a (Riesz) basis of H<sup>1</sup><sub>0</sub>(0, π)<sup>2</sup>. Let {Ψ<sub>k,i</sub>} be the associated biorthogonal family (for the duality ⟨·, ·⟩<sub>((H<sup>1</sup><sub>0</sub>)<sup>2</sup>,(H<sup>-1</sup>)<sup>2</sup>)</sub>)

$$f \in H_0^1(0,\pi)^2 \Longleftrightarrow f = \sum_{k \ge 1, i=1,2} \langle f, \Psi_{k,i} \rangle \Phi_{k,i}$$
$$\|f\|_{(H_0^1)^2}^2 \sim \sum_{k \ge 1, i=1,2} |\langle f, \Psi_{k,i} \rangle|^2$$

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**Objective:** Existence of  $v \in L^2(0, T)$  s.t.

$$\int_0^T \mathbf{v}(t) \mathbf{B}^* \mathbf{D} \varphi_x(0,t) \, dt = - \langle y_0, \varphi(0) \rangle \,, \quad \forall \varphi_0 \in H_0^1(0,\pi)^2$$

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**Objective:** Existence of  $v \in L^2(0, T)$  s.t.

$$\int_0^T \mathbf{v}(t) \mathbf{B}^* \mathbf{D} \varphi_x(0,t) \, dt = -\langle y_0, \varphi(0) \rangle \,, \quad \forall \varphi_0 \in H_0^1(0,\pi)^2$$

• Choosing  $\varphi_0 = \Phi_{k,i}$ , we have  $\varphi(\cdot, t) = e^{-\lambda_{k,i}(T-t)} \Phi_{k,i}$  and

$$\varphi(x,0) = e^{-\lambda_{k,i}T} \Phi_{k,i}(x), \quad \varphi_x(0,t) = k e^{-\lambda_{k,i}(T-t)} V_{k,i}$$

• The identity connecting y and  $\varphi$  writes (moment problem)

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- A necessary condition:  $B^*DV_{k,i} \neq 0$  for all  $k \ge 1, i = 1, 2$
- Recall  $d \neq 1$ ,

$$\boldsymbol{B}^* = (0,1), \quad \boldsymbol{V}_{k,1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1\\ \frac{1}{(d-1)k^2} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \boldsymbol{V}_{k,2} = \begin{pmatrix} 0\\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \forall k \ge 1.$$

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In the sequel, we will assume  $\sqrt{d} \notin \mathbb{Q}$ , i.e., the eigenvalues of  $-D\partial_{xx}^2 + A_0^*$  with Dirichlet boundary conditions are pairwise distinct.

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#### Summarizing

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Let 
$$m_{k,i} = -\langle y_0, \Phi_{k,i} \rangle$$
,  $b_{k,i} = kB^* DV_{k,i}$  (for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $||m_{k,i}| \le C_{\varepsilon} e^{\varepsilon \lambda_{k,i}}|$  and  
 $|b_{k,i}| \ge C_{\varepsilon} e^{-\varepsilon \lambda_{k,i}}|$ ),  
 $\exists ? \mathbf{v} \in L^2(0,T) : \int_0^T \mathbf{v}(T-t) e^{-\lambda_{k,i}t} dt = \frac{m_{k,i}}{b_{k,i}} e^{-\lambda_{k,i}T}, \quad \forall k \ge 1, \ i = 1, 2$ 

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The moment problem: Abstract setting

Let  $\Lambda = {\lambda_k}_{k\geq 1} \subset (0,\infty)$  be a sequence with pairwise distinct elements:

$$\sum_{k\geq 1}\frac{1}{|\boldsymbol{\lambda}_k|}<\infty$$

**Goal:** Given 
$$\{m_k\}_{k\geq 1}, \{b_k\}_{k\geq 1} \subset \mathbb{R}$$
 satisfying  $|m_k| \leq C_{\varepsilon} e^{\varepsilon \lambda_k}$  and  
 $|b_k| \geq C_{\varepsilon} e^{-\varepsilon \lambda_k}$ , find  $\nu \in L^2(0, T)$  s.t.  
 $\int_0^T \nu(T-t) e^{-\lambda_k t} dt = \frac{m_k}{b_k} e^{-\lambda_k T}, \quad \forall k \geq 1.$ 

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#### Theorem

Under the previous assumptions,  $\{e^{-\lambda_k t}\}_{k\geq 1} \subset L^2(0,T)$  admits a biorthogonal family  $\{q_k\}_{k\geq 1}$  in  $L^2(0,T)$ , i.e.:

$$\int_0^T e^{-\lambda_k t} q_l(t) \, dt = \delta_{kl}, \quad \forall k, l \ge 1$$

### 4. Third phenomenon The moment problem: Abstract setting

#### A formal solution to

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Question: 
$$v \in L^2(0, T)$$
?, i.e., is the series  $\sum_{k\geq 1} \frac{m_k}{b_k} e^{-\lambda_k T} q_k(t)$  convergent in  $L^2(0,T)$ ?

But this question itself amounts to:

$$\|\boldsymbol{q}_k\|_{L^2(0,T)} \underset{k\to\infty}{\sim}?$$

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#### Theorem

Assume

$$\sum_{k\geq 1}\frac{1}{|\lambda_k|}<\infty.$$

*Then, for any*  $\varepsilon > 0$  *one has* 

$$C_{1,\varepsilon}\frac{e^{-\varepsilon\lambda_k}}{|E'(\lambda_k)|} \le \|q_k\|_{L^2(0,T)} \le C_{2,\varepsilon}\frac{e^{\varepsilon\lambda_k}}{|E'(\lambda_k)|}, \quad \forall k \ge 1,$$

where E(z) is the interpolating function:

$$E(z) = \prod_{k=1}^{\infty} (1 - \frac{z^2}{\lambda_k^2}), \qquad E'(\lambda_k) = -\frac{2}{\lambda_k} \prod_{j \neq k}^{\infty} \left( 1 - \frac{\lambda_k^2}{\lambda_j^2} \right)$$

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#### Definition

The condensation index of  $\Lambda = \{\lambda_k\}_{k \ge 1} \subset \mathbb{C}$  is:

$$c(\Lambda) = \limsup_{k \to \infty} \frac{-\ln |E'(\lambda_k)|}{\Re(\lambda_k)} \in [0, +\infty].$$

#### Corollary

For any  $\varepsilon > 0$  one has

$$\|q_k\|_{L^2(0,T;)} \leq C_{\varepsilon} e^{(c(\Lambda)+\varepsilon)\lambda_k}, \quad \forall k \geq 1.$$

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Recall that we had  $m_k$  s.t.  $|m_k| \le C_{\varepsilon} e^{\varepsilon \lambda_k}$ ,  $|b_k| \ge C_{\varepsilon} e^{-\varepsilon \lambda_k}$ , for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , and we wanted to solve:  $\nu \in L^2(0,T)$  and

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From the previous result: Given  $\varepsilon > 0$ :

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ight|e^{-\lambda_k T}\left\|q_k
ight\|_{L^2(0,T)}\leq C_arepsilon e^{-\lambda_{k,i}(T-c(\Lambda)-arepsilon)}$$

#### Then

$$T > c(\Lambda) \Longrightarrow v(T-t) = \sum_{k \ge 1} \frac{m_k}{b_k} e^{-\lambda_k T} q_k(t) \in L^2(0,T).$$

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In our case,

$$\Lambda_d := \{\lambda_k\}_{k\geq 1} = \{j^2, dj^2\}_{j\geq 1}.$$

#### Then

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If  $T > c(\Lambda_d)$ , system (2) is null controllable at time *T*, where  $c(\Lambda_d)$  is the **condensation index** of the sequence  $\Lambda_d$ .

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We have proved:

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 $T > c(\Lambda_d)$  is a sufficient condition for the null controllability of system (2) at time *T*. But,

what happens if 
$$T < c(\Lambda_d)$$
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$$\begin{cases} y_t - Dy_{xx} + A_0 y = 0 & \text{in } Q, \\ y(0, \cdot) = B\nu, \quad y(\pi, \cdot) = 0 & \text{on } (0, T), \\ y(\cdot, 0) = y_0 & \text{in } (0, \pi), \end{cases}$$

The null controllability property at time T of system (2) is equivalent to the **observability inequality**:

$$\|\varphi(\cdot,0)\|_{(H_0^1)^2}^2 \leq C_T \int_0^T |\boldsymbol{B}^* \boldsymbol{D} \partial_x \varphi(0,t)|^2 dt,$$

for the solutions to the adjoint problem

$$\begin{cases} -\varphi_t - \mathbf{D}\varphi_{xx} + \mathbf{A}_0^* \varphi = 0 & \text{in } Q, \\ \varphi(0, \cdot) = \varphi(\pi, \cdot) = 0 & \text{on } (0, T), \end{cases}$$

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• 
$$\sigma(-D\partial_{xx}^2 + A_0^*) = \bigcup_{k \ge 1} \{k^2, dk^2\} := \bigcup_{k \ge 1} \{\lambda_{k,1}, \lambda_{k,2}\}$$

- $V_{k,1}$  and  $V_{k,2}$ : eigenvectors of the matrix  $(k^2 D + A_0^*)$  associated to the eigenvalues  $k^2$ ,  $dk^2$ .
- $\Phi_{k,i} = V_{k,i} \sin kx$ , i = 1, 2: eigenfunctions of  $(-D\partial_{xx}^2 + A_0^*)$ .
- {Φ<sub>k,i</sub>} is a (Riesz) basis of H<sup>1</sup><sub>0</sub> (0, π)<sup>2</sup>. Let {Ψ<sub>k,i</sub>} be the associated biorthogonal family (for the duality ⟨·, ·⟩<sub>((H<sup>1</sup><sub>0</sub>)<sup>2</sup>,(H<sup>-1</sup>)<sup>2</sup>)</sub>

$$f \in H_0^1(0,\pi)^2 \iff f = \sum_{k \ge 1, i=1,2} \langle f, \Psi_{k,i} \rangle \Phi_{k,i}$$
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Thus, the observability inequality for the adjoint system writes

$$\sum_{n,i} e^{-2\lambda_{n,i}T} |a_{n,i}|^2 \leq C_T \int_0^T \left| \sum_{n,i} n B^* D V_{n,i} e^{-\lambda_{n,i}t} a_{n,i} \right|^2 dt,$$

 $\forall \{\mathbf{a}_{n,i}\}_{n,i} \in \ell^2.$ 

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$$\left|\sum_{n,i} e^{-2\lambda_{n,i}T} |a_{n,i}|^2 \leq C_T \int_0^T \left|\sum_{n,i} nB^* DV_{n,i} e^{-\lambda_{n,i}t} a_{n,i}\right|^2 dt,\right|$$

Assume  $T \in (0, c(\Lambda_d))$ .

**By contradiction:** Assume the **observability inequality** holds for  $C_T > 0$ 

Construction of a suitable sequence of initial data

The idea is to construct sequences  $\{a_{n,i}^{(k)}\}_{n,i} \in \ell^2$  such that

$$\int_0^T \left| \sum_{n,i} n B^* D V_{n,i} e^{-\lambda_{n,i} t} a_{n,i}^{(k)} \right|^2 \to 0, \quad \sum_{n,i} e^{-2\lambda_{n,i} T} |a_{n,i}^{(k)}|^2 \ge \delta > 0.$$

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#### Argument: Use the overconvergence of Dirichlet series

#### Theorem

Suppose that the sequence  $\Lambda = {\lambda_n}_{n\geq 1}$  has condensation index  $c(\Lambda)$ . We can choose a sequence of finite sets  $N_k \subset \mathbb{N}$ , a sequence  ${\alpha_n}_{n\geq 1} \subset \mathbb{C}$ , such that there exists  $R \geq 0$  such that

- the series  $\sum_{n>1} \alpha_n e^{-\lambda_n z}$  converges in the region  $\Re z > R$
- **2** the series  $\sum_{n>1} \alpha_n e^{-\lambda_n z}$  diverges in the region  $\Re z < R$
- the series  $\sum_{k\geq 1} (\sum_{n\in N_k} \alpha_n e^{-\lambda_n z})$  converges in the region  $\Re z > R c(\Lambda)$ 
  - One can construct  $\{\alpha_n\}_{n\geq 1}$  such that  $R = c(\Lambda)$ .
  - The construction of the sequence  $\{\alpha_n\}_{n\geq 1}$  is explicit.

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The non-controllability result

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$$\Lambda_d = {\lambda_n}_{n\geq 1} = {k^2, dk^2}_{k\geq 1}$$
. We construct  ${a_n^{(k)}}_{n\geq 1} \in \ell^2$ :

$$a_n^{(k)} = \begin{cases} \frac{\alpha_n}{b_n} & n \in N_k \\ 0 & n \notin N_k \end{cases}$$

 $\boldsymbol{b}_n = n \left| \boldsymbol{B}^* \boldsymbol{D} \boldsymbol{V}_n \right|$ 

- $\{a_n^{(k)}\}_{n\geq 1} \in \ell^2$  (recall that the sets  $N_k$  are finite).
- The observability inequality is

$$\sum_{n\in N_k} e^{-2\lambda_n T} |a_n^{(k)}|^2 \leq C_T \int_0^T \left| \sum_{n\in N_k} e^{-\lambda_n t} \alpha_n \right|^2 dt,$$

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The non-controllability result

$$\sigma_1^{(k)} := \sum_{n \in N_k} e^{-2\lambda_n T} |a_n^{(k)}|^2 \leq C_T \int_0^T \left| \sum_{n \in N_k} e^{-\lambda_n t} \alpha_n \right|^2 dt := \sigma_2^{(k)},$$

• The convergence of the series  $\sum_{k\geq 1} (\sum_{n\in N_k} \alpha_n e^{-\lambda_n t})$  for all t > 0 (recall that  $R = c(\Lambda_d)$  and then  $R - c(\Lambda_d) = 0$ ) implies:

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• Moreover, one can prove there exist  $C_1, C_2 > 0$  such that

$$\left|\sum_{n\in N_k}\alpha_n e^{-\lambda_n t}\right| \leq C_1 e^{-C_2 t}.$$

• Thus, from Lebesgue's dominated convergence theorem, we obtain  $\sigma_2^{(k)} \rightarrow 0.$ 

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By construction the sequence {α<sub>n</sub>}<sub>n≥1</sub> satisfies that for all k ≥ 1 there exists n<sub>k</sub> ∈ N<sub>k</sub> such that

$$\left|a_{n_{k}}^{(k)}\right| = \left|\frac{\alpha_{n_{k}}}{b_{n_{k}}}\right| \geq C_{\varepsilon}e^{\Re(\lambda_{n_{k}})(c(\Lambda_{d})-\varepsilon)}$$

• One gets:

$$\sigma_1^{(k)} \geq e^{-2\lambda_{n_k}T} \left| a_{n_k}^{(k)} \right|^2 \geq C_{\varepsilon} e^{2\Re(\lambda_{n_k})(c(\Lambda_d) - T - \varepsilon)} \underset{T < c(\Lambda_d)}{\to} +\infty.$$

• So, one has proved

$$\sigma_1^{(k)} \to +\infty, \quad \sigma_2^{(k)} \to 0$$

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#### The controllability result

**0**  $\forall T > 0$  : **Approximate controllability** if and only if  $\sqrt{d} \notin \mathbb{Q}$ 

**2** Assume  $\sqrt{d} \notin \mathbb{Q}, \exists T_0 = c(\Lambda_d) \in [0, +\infty]$  such that

• the system is null controllable at time T if  $T > T_0$ 

**②** Even if  $\sqrt{d} \notin \mathbb{Q}$ , if  $T < T_0$  the system is **not null controllable** at time *T*!

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$$\begin{cases} y_t - \mathbf{D} y_{xx} + A_0 y = 0 & \text{in } Q, \\ y(0, \cdot) = \mathbf{B} \nu, \quad y(\pi, \cdot) = 0 & \text{on } (0, T), \\ y(\cdot, 0) = y_0 & \text{in } (0, \pi), \end{cases}$$

In fact, the good minimal time is

$$T_0 = \limsup_{k \to \infty} \frac{-\left(\ln |\boldsymbol{b}_k| + \ln |E'(\boldsymbol{\lambda}_k)|\right)}{\Re(\boldsymbol{\lambda}_k)} \in [0,\infty]$$

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#### Theorem

For any 
$$\tau \in [0, +\infty]$$
, there exists  $\sqrt{d} \notin \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $c(\Lambda_d) = \tau$ .

#### Remark

- There exists  $\sqrt{d} \notin \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $c(\Lambda_d) = +\infty$  (LUCA, DE TERESA).
- $c(\Lambda_d) = 0$  for almost  $d \in (0, \infty)$  such that  $\sqrt{d} \notin \mathbb{Q}$ .
- For any  $\tau \in [0, +\infty]$ , the set  $\{d \in (0, \infty) : c(\Lambda_d) = \tau\}$  is dense in  $(0, +\infty)$ .

#### Remark

*This minimal time also arises in other parabolic problems (degenerated problems):* 

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### Scalar case versus systems (parabolic problems)

### SCALAR CASE SYSTEMS

boundary $\Leftrightarrow$ distributed control	Yes	No
approximate $\Leftrightarrow$ null controllability	Yes	No
minimal time for controling	No	Yes
geometrical conditions	No	Yes

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### Some references

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$$\begin{cases} y_t - Dy_{xx} + A_0 y = 0 & \text{in } Q, \\ y(0, \cdot) = Bv, \quad y(\pi, \cdot) = 0 & \text{on } (0, T), \\ y(\cdot, 0) = y_0 & \text{in } (0, \pi), \end{cases}$$

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**Existing results:**  $a_{12}$  is a PD operator of order  $\leq 2$  with  $\omega \cap \text{Supp } a_{12} \neq \emptyset$  and  $a_{12}$  is "invertible": Approximate and null controllability.

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