

# On the numerical computation of controls for the 1-D heat equation

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## Problem statement

$$\omega \subset (0, 1), a \in C^1([0, 1], \mathbb{R}_*^+), y_0 \in L^2(0, 1), Q_T = (0, 1) \times (0, T), q_T = \omega \times (0, T)$$

$$\begin{cases} Ly \equiv y_t - (a(x)y_x)_x = v1_\omega, & (x, t) \in Q_T \\ y(x, t) = 0, & (x, t) \in \{0, 1\} \times (0, T) \\ y(x, 0) = y_0(x), & x \in (0, 1). \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

$\forall y_0 \in L^2(0, 1), T > 0$  and  $v \in L^2(q_T), y \in C^0([0, T]; L^2(0, 1)) \cap L^2(0, T; H_0^1(0, 1))$ .

We introduce the linear manifold

$$\mathcal{C}(y_0, T) = \{ (y, v) : v \in L^2(q_T), y \text{ solves } (??) \text{ and satisfies } y(T, \cdot) = 0 \}.$$

non empty (see FURSIKOV-IMANUVILOV'96, ROBBIANO-LEBEAU'95).

The goal is to compute numerically some elements of  $\mathcal{C}(y_0, T)$ , i.e. compute some controls for the heat equation

# Outline

1- Ill-posedness for the control of minimal  $L^2$ -norm (the "HUM control")

2- Change of norm : framework of Fursikov-Imanuvilov'96  
(with ENRIQUE FERNANDEZ-CARA)

3- Transmutation method : from wave to heat  
(with ENRIQUE ZUAZA)

4- Without dual variable via a variational approach  
(with PABLO PEDREGAL)

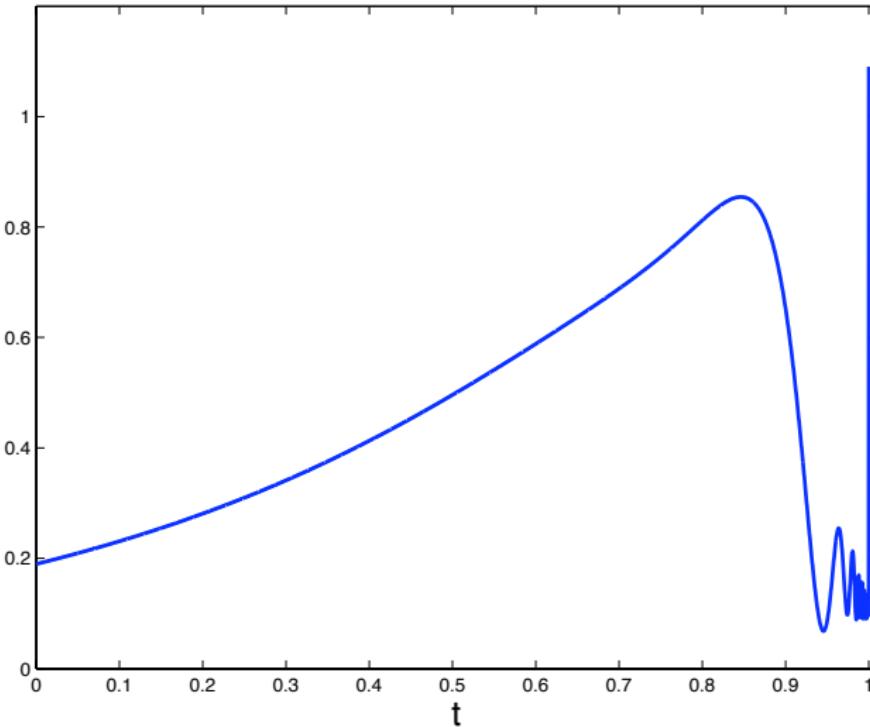
5- Conclusions / Additional references

## PART I

Control of minimal  $L^2(0, 1)$ -norm assuming that  $a(x) = a_0 > 0$

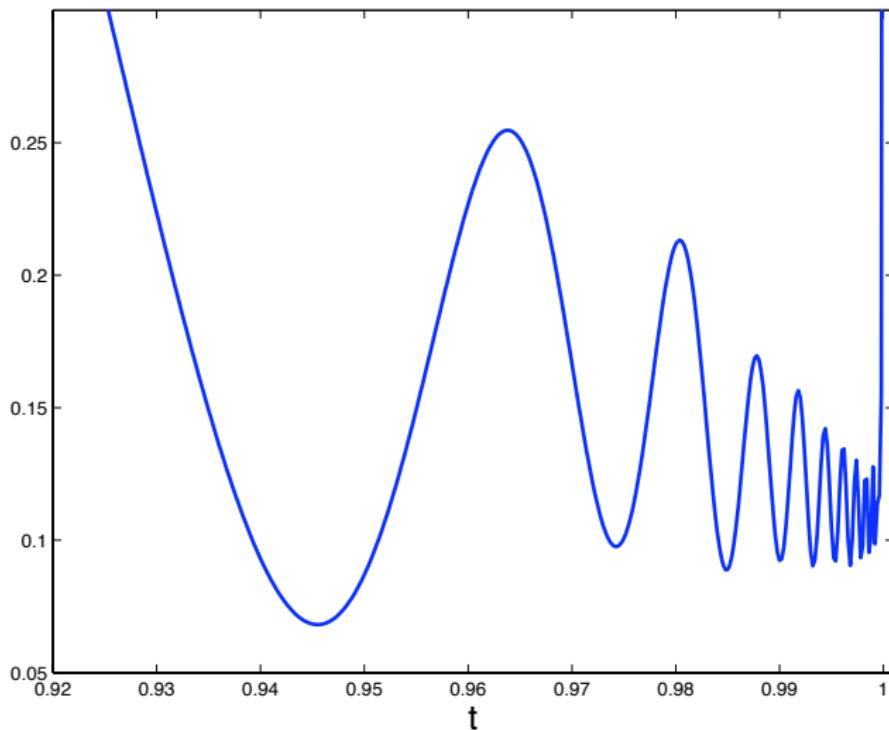
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**Figure:**  $y_0(x) = \sin(\pi x) - T = 1 - \omega = (0.2, 0.8) - t \rightarrow \|v(\cdot, t)\|_{L^2(0,1)}$  in  $[0, T]$

## $L^2$ -norm of the HUM control with respect to time: Zoom near $T$



**Figure:**  $y_0(x) = \sin(\pi x)$  -  $T = 1$  -  $\omega = (0.2, 0.8)$  -  $t \rightarrow \|v(\cdot, t)\|_{L^2(0,1)}$  in  $[0.92T, T]$

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- The completed space  $H$  is huge:

$$H^{-s} \subset H \quad \forall s > 0!$$

( $H$  may also contain elements which are not distribution !!) and the minimizer is singular [Micu-Zuazua preprint 2010]<sup>1</sup>

- Due to the strong regularization effect of the heat operator, the constraint

$$y(\cdot, T) = 0, \quad (0, 1)$$

can be viewed as an equality in a "very small" space; accordingly, the dual variable  $\phi_T$  which is nothing but the Lagrange multiplier for the constraint may belong to a "large" dual space, much larger than  $L^2$ .

- Ill-posedness here is therefore related to the hugeness of  $H$ , poorly approximated numerically.

- This phenomenon is unavoidable (unless  $\omega = (0, 1)$  !) and is independent of the choice of the norm !

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<sup>1</sup> S. Micu, E. Zuazua, *Regularity issues for a null-controllability of the linear 1-d heat equation*, Preprint 2010.



# Regularization

For any  $\epsilon > 0$ , consider  $J_\epsilon(y, v) = J(y, v) + \frac{\epsilon^{-1}}{2} \|y(T)\|_{H^{-s}(0,1)}^2$  and

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# Regular perturbation

$$T = 1, \quad y_T(x) = e^{-a_0 \pi^2 T} \sin(\pi x), \quad a_0 = 1/10, \quad \omega = (0.2, 0.8)$$

$\epsilon$	$10^{-1}$	$10^{-3}$	$10^{-5}$	$10^{-7}$	$10^{-9}$
$\ \phi_{T,\epsilon}^N\ _{L^2(\Omega)}$	$5.47 \times 10^{-1}$	$2.52 \times 10^0$	$1.42 \times 10^1$	$9.20 \times 10^1$	$6.66 \times 10^2$
$\ v_\epsilon^N\ _{L^2((0,T) \times \omega)}$	$2.23 \times 10^{-1}$	$3.85 \times 10^{-1}$	$4.28 \times 10^{-1}$	$4.43 \times 10^{-1}$	$4.49 \times 10^{-1}$
$\text{cond}(\Lambda_{N,\epsilon})$	$5.44 \times 10^0$	$5.87 \times 10^2$	$7.46 \times 10^4$	$7.45 \times 10^6$	$7.18 \times 10^8$

Table:  $N = 80$  -  $\|v^N - v_\epsilon^N\|_{L^2((0,T) \times \omega)} \approx O(\epsilon^{0.295})$ .

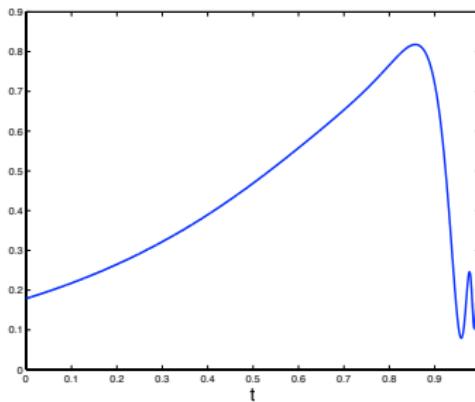
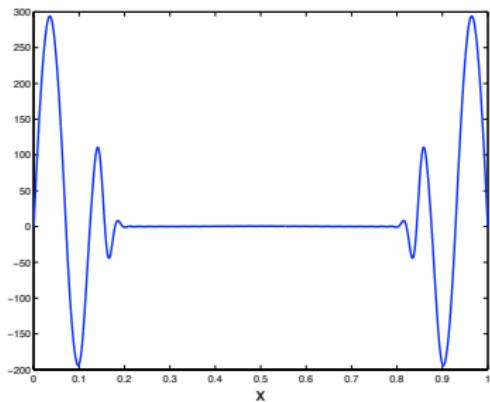


Figure:  $L^2$  regularization for  $\epsilon = 10^{-7}$  and  $N = 80$  - Left: Adjoint solution  $\phi_{T,\epsilon}$  - Right:  $L^2$ - norm of the control vs.  $t$ .

# Resolution of the optimality condition for $J^*$ via Fourier Series in 1-D

$$\epsilon = 10^{-14}, T = 1, \quad y_T(x) = e^{-c\pi^2 T} \sin(\pi x), \quad c = 0.1$$

	$N = 10$	$N = 20$	$N = 40$	$N = 80$
$\ \phi_T^N\ _{L^2(\Omega)}$	4.27	$3.22 \times 10^1$	$1.68 \times 10^3$	$5.38 \times 10^6$
$\ \phi^N \mathcal{X}_\omega\ _{L^2(Q_T)}$	$4.194 \times 10^{-1}$	$4.410 \times 10^{-1}$	$4.526 \times 10^{-1}$	$4.586 \times 10^{-1}$

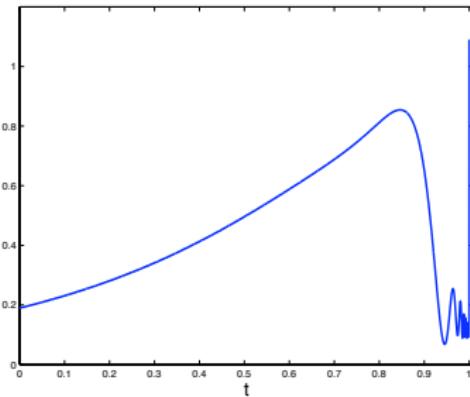
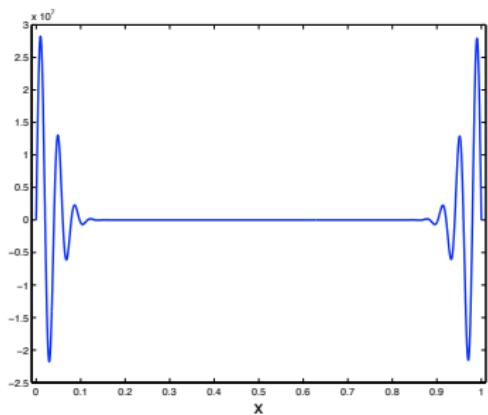


Figure:  $T = 1 - \omega = (0.2, 0.8)$  -  $\phi_T^N$  for  $N = 80$  on  $\Omega$  (Left) and on  $\omega$  (Right).

# Optimal $\phi$ on $\partial\omega$

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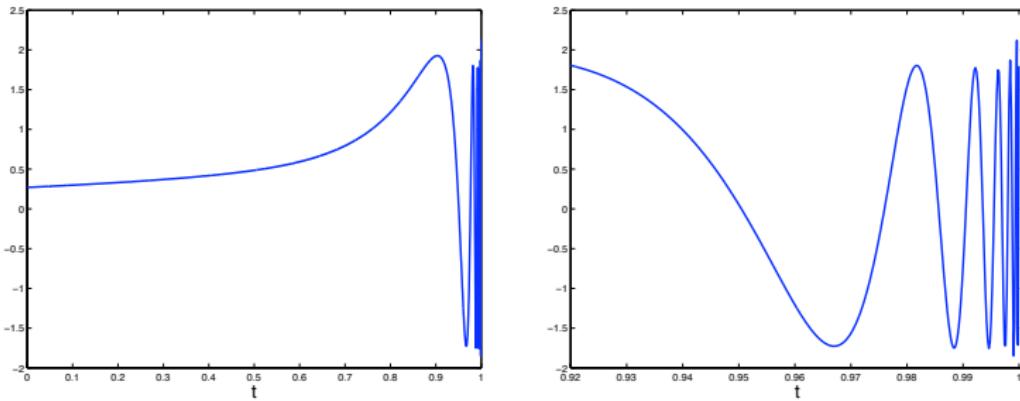


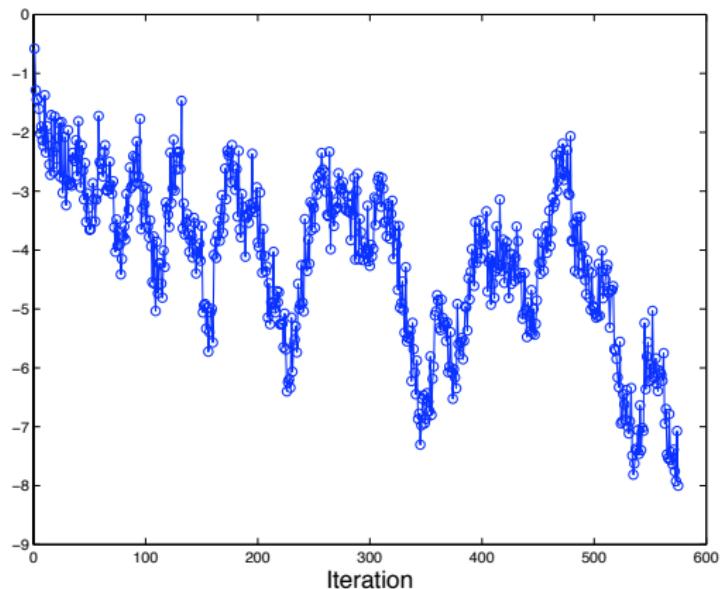
Figure:  $T = 1 - \omega = (0.2, 0.8) - \phi^N(\cdot, 0.8)$  for  $N = 80$  on  $[0, T]$  (Left) and on  $[0.92T, T]$  (Right).

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$h$	1/20	1/40	1/80	1/160
# Iteration	36	218	574	1588
$\ v_h\ _{L^2((0, T) \times \omega)}$	$4.05 \times 10^{-1}$	$4.322 \times 10^{-1}$	$4.426 \times 10^{-1}$	$4.492 \times 10^{-1}$
$\ y_h(T, \cdot) - y_{Th}\ _{L^2(\Omega)}$	$2.11 \times 10^{-9}$	$1.58 \times 10^{-9}$	$2.65 \times 10^{-9}$	$2.35 \times 10^{-9}$
$\ \phi_h(0, x)\ _{L^2(\Omega)}^2$	$4.072 \times 10^{-1}$	$4.329 \times 10^{-1}$	$4.429 \times 10^{-1}$	$4.439 \times 10^{-1}$
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**Table:** Semi-discrete scheme  $\omega = (0.2, 0.8)$  -  $\Omega = (0, 1)$  -  $T = 1$ .

⇒ The conditioning number of the problem blows up exponentially w.r.t.  $1/h$ .



**Figure:** Semi-discrete scheme -  $h = 1/80$  - Evolution of the residu w.r.t. the iteration of the GC algorithm

## Lack of uniform observability vs. ill-posedness

$$C_{1h} \|\phi_h(0)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 \leq \int_0^T \int_{\omega} \phi_h^2(t, x) dx dt \leq C_{2h} \|\phi_h(0)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2, \quad \forall \phi_{Th} \in L^2(\Omega)$$

$$\text{cond}(\Lambda_h) \leq C_{1h}^{-1} C_{2h} h^{-2}$$

$$C_{2h} \rightarrow \infty \quad h \rightarrow 0$$

(more in [AM-Zuazua, Inverse Problems 2010]).

Other regularization / perturbation are considered in [AM-Zuazua'10]

1- Replace the heat equation by the hyperbolic equation

$$y_{\epsilon,t} - c y_{\epsilon,xx} + \epsilon \textcolor{blue}{y_{\epsilon,tt}} = v_{\epsilon} 1_{\omega}, \quad \text{in } Q_T,$$

2- Singular (non uniformly controllable w.r.t.  $\epsilon$ ) perturbation

$$y_{\epsilon,t} - c y_{\epsilon,xx} - \epsilon \textcolor{blue}{y_{\epsilon,txx}} = v_{\epsilon} 1_{\omega} \quad \text{in } Q_T.$$

⇒ The main open issue is to characterize deeper the space  $H$  !!

## Remark for the $L^\infty$ - case

$$(P_\infty) \inf_{(y,v) \in \mathcal{C}(y_0, T)} J(v, y) = \|v\|_{L^\infty(Q_T)}$$

⇒ Bang-Bang control (piecewise constant in  $Q_T$ ) [Fabre-Puel-Zuazua,95]<sup>3</sup>

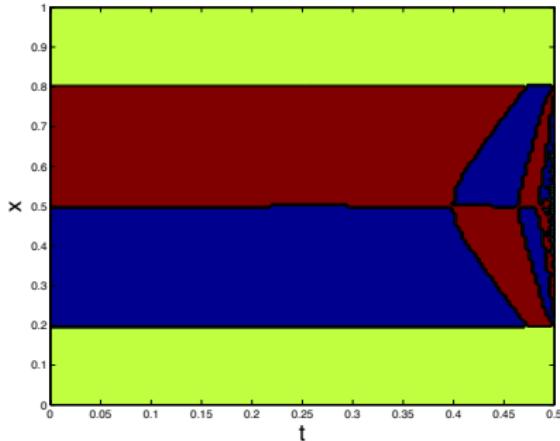


Figure:  $y_0(x) = \sin(2\pi x)$  -  $a_0 = 1/10$  -  $s' = 1$ . -  $\omega = (0.2, 0.8)$  - Iso-values of the control function  $v_h \in Q_T$ .

<sup>3</sup> C. Fabre, J.-P. Puel and E. Zuazua, *Approximate controllability of the semilinear heat equation*, Proc. Roy. Soc. Edinburgh Sect. A (1995).

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⇒ Set  $v = [\lambda \mathcal{X}_\mathcal{O} + (-\lambda)(1 - \mathcal{X}_\mathcal{O})]1_\omega$

⇒ Reformulate  $(P_\infty)$  as follows :

$$(T_\infty) \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Minimize } \lambda^2 \\ \text{Subject to } (\lambda, \mathcal{X}_\mathcal{O}) \in \mathcal{D}(y_0, T) \end{array} \right.$$

$\mathcal{D}(y_0, T) = \{(\lambda, \mathcal{X}_\mathcal{O}) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \times L^\infty(Q_T, \{0, 1\}) \mid y = y(\lambda, \mathcal{X}_\mathcal{O}) \text{ solves (??) and } \|y(T)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} = 0\}$

with

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} y_t - (a(x)y_x)_x = [\lambda \mathcal{X}_\mathcal{O} + (-\lambda)(1 - \mathcal{X}_\mathcal{O})]1_\omega, & (x, t) \in Q_T \\ y(x, t) = 0, & (x, t) \in \{0, 1\} \times (0, T) \\ y(x, 0) = y_0(x), & x \in (0, 1). \end{array} \right. \quad (2)$$

⇒ Relaxation of the (time dependent) optimal design problem  $(T_\infty)$  and capture of the oscillation near  $T$  via time-dependent density and (Young) measure <sup>4</sup>.

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<sup>4</sup> F. Periago, AM, *Approximation of bang-bang controls for the heat equation: dual method versus optimal design approach*: (2010) Preprint

## PART II

Change of the norm : framework of Fursikov-Imanuvilov'96<sup>5</sup>

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Minimize } J(y, v) = \frac{1}{2} \iint_{Q_T} \rho^2 |y|^2 dx dt + \frac{1}{2} \iint_{q_T} \rho_0^2 |v|^2 dx dt \\ \text{Subject to } (y, v) \in \mathcal{C}(y_0, T). \end{array} \right. \quad (3)$$

where  $\rho, \rho_0$  are non-negative continuous weights functions such that  $\rho, \rho_0 \in L^\infty(Q_{T-\delta}) \quad \forall \delta > 0$ .

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A.V. Fursikov and O. Yu. Imanuvilov, *Controllability of Evolution Equations*, Lecture Notes Series, number 34. Seoul National University, Korea, (1996) 1–163.

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## Lemma (Fursikov-Imanuvilov'96)

Let  $\rho$  and  $\rho_0$  be given by (??). Let us also set

$$\rho_1(x, t) = (T - t)^{1/2} \rho(x, t), \quad \rho_2(x, t) = (T - t)^{-1/2} \rho(x, t). \quad (5)$$

Then there exists  $C > 0$ , only depending on  $\omega$ ,  $T$ ,  $a_0$  and  $\|a\|_{C^1}$ , such that

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \iint_{Q_T} [\rho_2^{-2} (|q_t|^2 + |q_{xx}|^2) + \rho_1^{-2} |q_x|^2 + \rho_0^{-2} |q|^2] dx dt \\ \leq C \left( \iint_{Q_T} \rho^{-2} |L^* q|^2 dx dt + \iint_{Q_T} \rho_0^{-2} |q|^2 dx dt \right), \forall q \in P. \end{array} \right. \quad (6)$$

## Lemma (Fursikov-Imanuvilov'96, Fernández-Cara-Guerrero'06)

Under the same assumptions, for any  $\delta > 0$ , one has

$$P \hookrightarrow C^0([0, T - \delta]; H_0^1(0, 1)),$$

where the embedding is continuous. In particular, there exists  $C > 0$ , only depending on  $\omega$ ,  $T$ ,  $a_0$  and  $\|a\|_{C^1}$ , such that

$$\|q(\cdot, 0)\|_{H_0^1(0, 1)}^2 \leq C \left( \iint_{Q_T} \rho^{-2} |L^* q|^2 dx dt + \iint_{Q_T} \rho_0^{-2} |q|^2 dx dt \right) \quad (7)$$

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## Lemma (Fursikov-Imanuvilov'96)

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$$\rho_1(x, t) = (T - t)^{1/2} \rho(x, t), \quad \rho_2(x, t) = (T - t)^{-1/2} \rho(x, t). \quad (5)$$

Then there exists  $C > 0$ , only depending on  $\omega$ ,  $T$ ,  $a_0$  and  $\|a\|_{C^1}$ , such that

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## Lemma (Fursikov-Imanuvilov'96, Fernández-Cara-Guerrero'06)

Under the same assumptions, for any  $\delta > 0$ , one has

$$P \hookrightarrow C^0([0, T - \delta]; H_0^1(0, 1)),$$

where the embedding is continuous. In particular, there exists  $C > 0$ , only depending on  $\omega$ ,  $T$ ,  $a_0$  and  $\|a\|_{C^1}$ , such that

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conditioning	$1.33 \times 10^{14}$	$1.76 \times 10^{22}$	$7.86 \times 10^{32}$	$2.17 \times 10^{44}$	$2.30 \times 10^{54}$
$\ p_h(\cdot, T)\ _{L^2(0,1)}$	$2.85 \times 10^1$	$2.04 \times 10^2$	$1.59 \times 10^3$	$4.70 \times 10^4$	$6.12 \times 10^6$
$\ y_h(\cdot, T)\ _{L^2(0,1)}$	$4.37 \times 10^{-2}$	$2.18 \times 10^{-2}$	$1.09 \times 10^{-2}$	$5.44 \times 10^{-3}$	$2.71 \times 10^{-3}$
$\ v_h\ _{L^2(q_T)}$	1.228	1.251	1.269	1.281	1.288

Table:  $T = 1/2$ ,  $y_0(x) \equiv \sin(\pi x)$ ,  $a(x) \equiv 10^{-1}$ .  $\|y_h(\cdot, T)\|_{L^2(0,1)} = \mathcal{O}(h)$ .

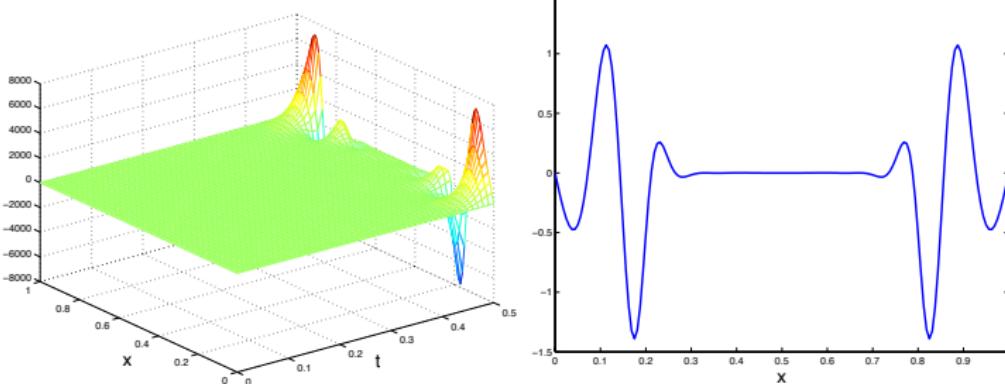


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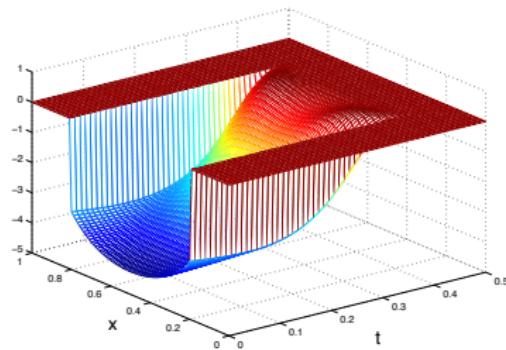
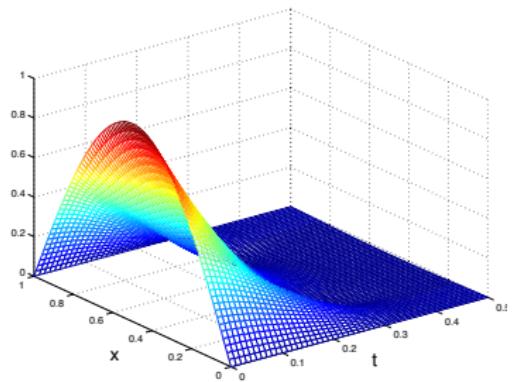


Figure:  $\omega = (0.2, 0.8)$ . The state  $y_h$  (Left) and the control  $v_h$  (Right).

# Experiments with $\omega = (0.3, 0.4)$

$\Delta x = \Delta t$	1/20	1/40	1/80	1/160	1/320
conditioning	$3.06 \times 10^{14}$	$5.24 \times 10^{22}$	$2.13 \times 10^{33}$	$5.11 \times 10^{44}$	$4.03 \times 10^{54}$
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$\ v_h\ _{L^2(Q_T)}$	5.813	8.203	10.68	13.20	15.81

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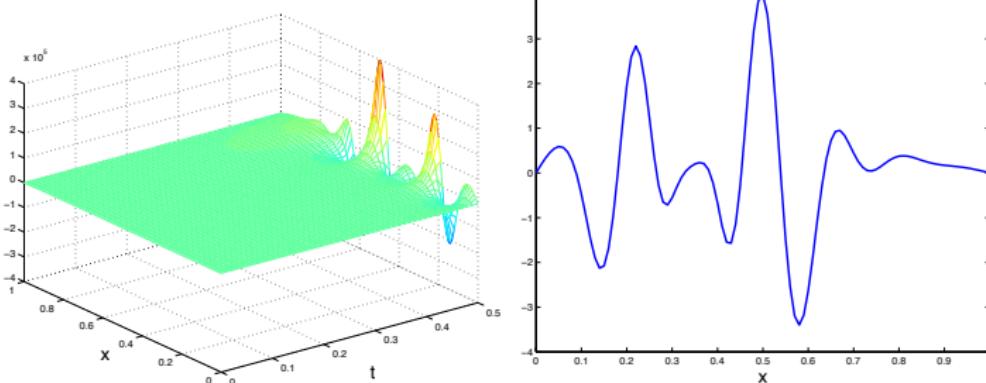


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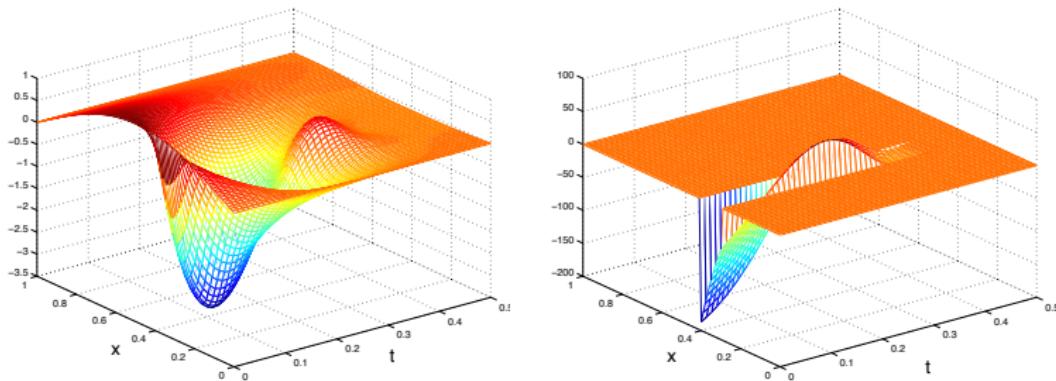


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$$a((z, q), (z, q)) \geq \kappa \|(z, q)\|_{Z \times P}^2 \quad \forall (z, q) \in V, \quad \kappa > 0. \quad (14)$$

- $b(\cdot, \cdot)$  satisfies the usual “inf-sup” condition with respect to  $Z \times P$  and  $Z$ , i.e.

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We have  $Z_h \subset Z$  but, contrarily,  $Q_h \not\subset P$ . Let us introduce the bilinear form

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} b_h((z_h, q_h), \mu_h) = \iint_{Q_T} (-(q_h)_t \mu_h + a(x)(q_h)_x (\mu_h)_x - \rho^2 z_h \mu_h) \, dx \, dt \\ \forall (z_h, q_h) \in Z_h \times Q_h, \quad \forall \mu_h \in Z_h. \end{array} \right.$$

Then the mixed finite element approximation of (??) is the following:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{rcl} a((y_h, p_h), (z_h, q_h)) + b_h((z_h, q_h), \lambda_h) & = & \langle \ell, (z_h, q_h) \rangle \quad \forall (z_h, q_h) \in Z_h \times Q_h \\ b((y_h, p_h), \mu_h) & = & 0 \quad \forall \mu_h \in Z_h \\ (y_h, p_h) \in Z_h \times Q_h, \quad \lambda_h \in Z_h. & & \end{array} \right. \quad (16)$$

## Mixed formulation : experiments with $\omega = (0.2, 0.8)$

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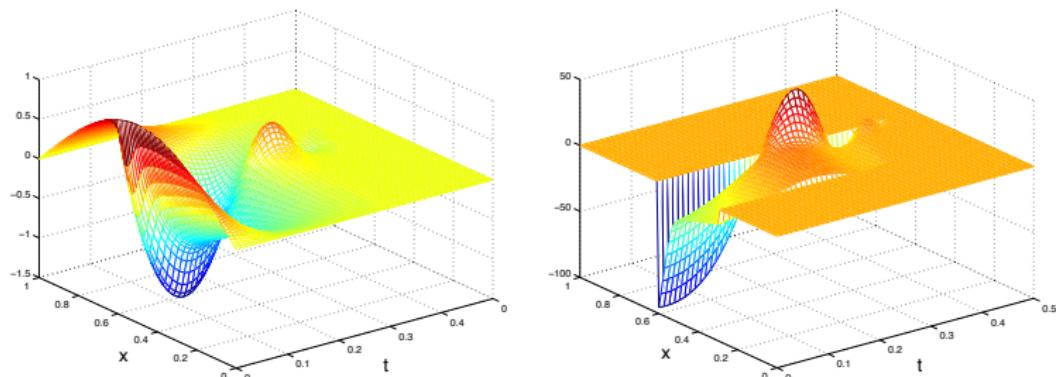
$$\rho(x, t) \rightarrow \rho_\eta(x, t) = \exp\left(\frac{\beta(x)}{T - t + \eta}\right), \quad \rho_{0,\eta}(x, t) = (T - t + \eta)^{3/2} \rho_\eta(x, t). \quad (17)$$

$\Delta x = \Delta t$	1/40	1/80	1/160	1/320
conditioning	$1.68 \times 10^{119}$	$6.55 \times 10^{127}$	$3.76 \times 10^{117}$	$1.47 \times 10^{116}$
$\ \rho_h(\cdot, T)\ _{L^2(0,1)}$	$1.91 \times 10^{43}$	$2.37 \times 10^{43}$	$2.14 \times 10^{43}$	$8.59 \times 10^{43}$
$\ y_h(\cdot, T)\ _{L^2(0,1)}$	$1.84 \times 10^{-12}$	$7.64 \times 10^{-13}$	$2.77 \times 10^{-13}$	$1.36 \times 10^{-11}$
$\ v_h\ _{L^2(q_T)}$	1.272	1.275	1.282	1.289

**Table:** Mixed approach imposing  $y_h(\cdot, 0) = y_{0h}$ ,  $\omega = (0.2, 0.8)$ ,  $\eta = 10^{-2}$ ,  $y_0(x) \equiv \sin(\pi x)$ ,  $a(x) \equiv 10^{-1}$ .

# Mixed formulation :A nonconstant $C^1$ diffusion

$$y_0(x) = \sin(\pi x), T = 1/2, a \in C^1([0, 1]), a(x) = 1 \text{ in } (0, 0.45), a(x) = 1/15 \text{ in } (0.55, 1) \quad (18)$$

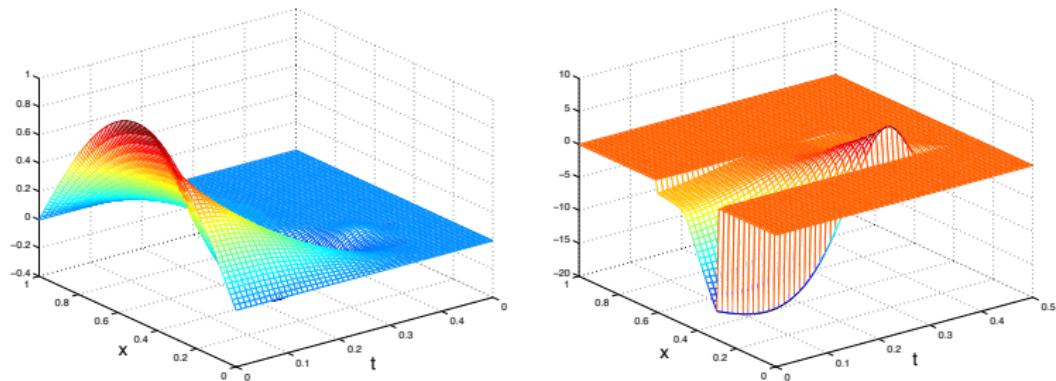


**Figure:**  $\omega = (0.3, 0.6)$ , nonconstant  $C^1$  coefficient  $a$ ; first case. The state  $y_h$  (**Left**) and the control  $v_h$  (**Right**).

$\Delta x = \Delta t$	1/40	1/80	1/160	1/320
conditioning	$1.05 \times 10^{37}$	$2.02 \times 10^{36}$	$7.80 \times 10^{35}$	$2.49 \times 10^{35}$
$\ p_h(\cdot, T)\ _{L^2(0,1)}$	$2.15 \times 10^8$	$3.71 \times 10^8$	$7.56 \times 10^8$	$2.31 \times 10^9$
$\ y_h(\cdot, T)\ _{L^2(0,1)}$	$1.97 \times 10^{-9}$	$2.93 \times 10^{-9}$	$6.62 \times 10^{-9}$	$1.21 \times 10^{-8}$
$\ v_h\ _{L^2(q_T)}$	5.721	6.159	6.4721	6.550

# Mixed formulation : A nonconstant $C^1$ diffusion

$$y_0(x) = \sin(\pi x), T = 1/2, a \in C^1([0, 1]), a(x) = 1/15 \text{ in } (0, 0.45), a(x) = 1 \text{ in } (0.55, 1) \quad (19)$$



**Figure:**  $\omega = (0.3, 0.6)$ , nonconstant  $C^1$  coefficient  $a$ ; second case. The state  $y_h$  (Left) and the control  $v_h$  (Right).

$\Delta x = \Delta t$	1/40	1/80	1/160	1/320
conditioning	$2.82 \times 10^{37}$	$1.73 \times 10^{36}$	$7.07 \times 10^{35}$	$8.31 \times 10^{35}$
$\ p_h(\cdot, T)\ _{L^2(0,1)}$	$3.95 \times 10^7$	$4.28 \times 10^7$	$8.09 \times 10^7$	$2.51 \times 10^8$
$\ y_h(\cdot, T)\ _{L^2(0,1)}$	$4.92 \times 10^{-10}$	$3.26 \times 10^{-10}$	$7.68 \times 10^{-10}$	$2.94 \times 10^{-9}$
$\ v_h\ _{L^2(q_T)}$	1.704	1.796	1.872	1.890

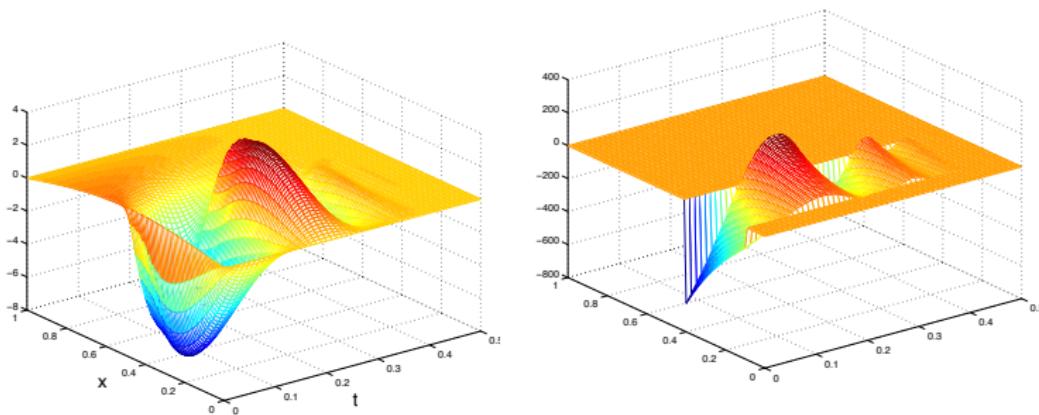
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# Mixed formulation : piecewise constant

[Benabdallah-Dermenjian-Le Rousseau, 2007]<sup>6</sup>

$$y_0(x) = \sin(\pi x), T = 1/2, \quad a = a_1 \mathbf{1}_{D_1} + a_2 \mathbf{1}_{D_2} \quad D_1 = (0, 0.5), D_2 = (0.5, 1), \quad (a_1, a_2) = (1, 1/15).$$

$$\omega = (0.1, 0.4)$$



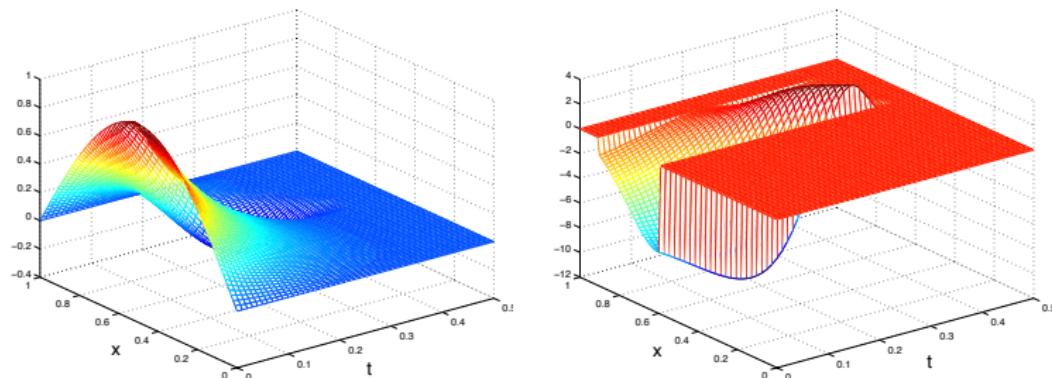
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<sup>6</sup> Carleman estimates for the 1D heat equation with a discontinuous coefficient and applications to controllability and an inverse problems, JMAA (2007).

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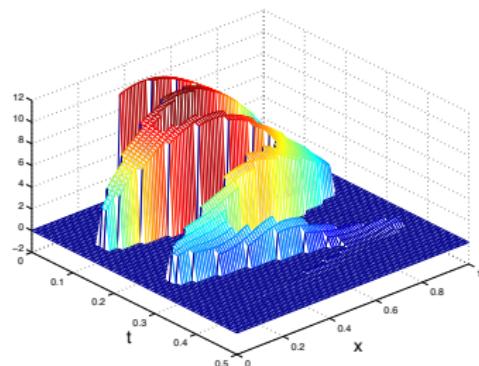
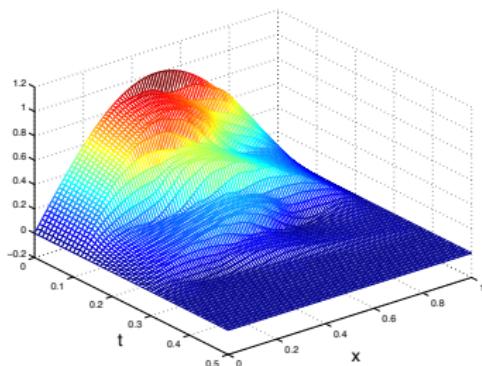
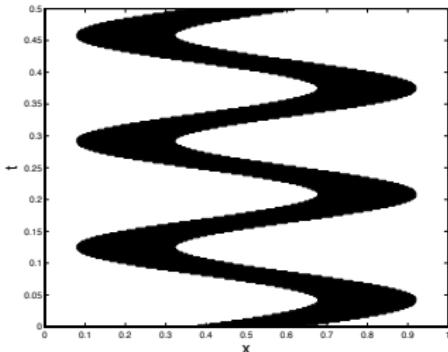
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# Mixed formulation : non cylindrical situation



**Figure:**  $\Delta x = \Delta t = 10^{-2}$  - Null controllability with non cylindrical control domains  $G_T$  (**Top**), the computed states  $y_h$  (**Left**) and the control  $v_h$  (**Right**).

Use duality to minimize  $J$ :

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Minimize } J(y, v) = \frac{1}{2} \iint_{Q_T} \rho^2 |y|^2 dx dt + \frac{1}{2} \iint_{q_T} \rho_0^2 |v|^2 dx dt \\ \text{Subject to } (y, v) \in \mathcal{C}(y_0, T). \end{array} \right. \quad (20)$$

by

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Minimize } J_{R,\varepsilon}(y, v) = \frac{1}{2} \iint_{Q_T} \rho_R^2 |y|^2 dx dt + \frac{1}{2} \iint_{q_T} \rho_0^2 |v|^2 dx dt + \frac{1}{2\varepsilon} \|y(\cdot, T)\|_{L^2}^2 \\ \text{Subject to } (y, v) \in \mathcal{A}(y_0, T) \end{array} \right. \quad (21)$$

where  $\rho_R = \min(\rho, R)$  and

$$\mathcal{A}(y_0, T) = \{ (y, v) : v \in L^2(q_T), \text{ } y \text{ solves (??)} \}.$$

# Conjugate functions $J_{R,\varepsilon}^*$ of $J_{R,\varepsilon}$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Minimize } J_{R,\varepsilon}^*(\mu, \varphi_T) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \iint_{Q_T} \rho_R^{-2} |\mu|^2 dx dt + \iint_{q_T} \rho_0^{-2} |\varphi|^2 dx dt \right) \\ \quad + \int_0^1 \varphi(x, 0) y_0(x) dx + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \|\varphi_T\|_{L^2}^2 \\ \text{Subject to } (\mu, \varphi_T) \in L^2(Q_T) \times L^2(0, 1). \end{array} \right. \quad (22)$$

where  $\varphi = M^* \mu + B^* \varphi_T$ , i.e.  $\varphi$  is the solution to

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} L^* \varphi = -\varphi_t - (a(x)\varphi_x)_x = \mu, & (x, t) \in (0, 1) \times (0, T) \\ \varphi(x, t) = 0, & (x, t) \in \{0, 1\} \times (0, T) \\ \varphi(x, T) = \varphi_T(x), & x \in (0, 1). \end{array} \right. \quad (23)$$

## Proposition

The unconstrained extremal problems (??) is the dual problems to (??) in the sense of the Fenchel-Rockafellar theory. Furthermore, (??) and (??) are stable and possess unique solutions. Finally, if we denote by  $(y_{R,\varepsilon}, v_{R,\varepsilon})$  the unique solution to (??), we denote by  $(\mu_{R,\varepsilon}, \varphi_{T,R,\varepsilon})$  the unique solution to (??) and we set

$\varphi_{R,\varepsilon} = M^* \mu_{R,\varepsilon} + B^* \varphi_{T,R,\varepsilon}$ , then the following relations hold:

$$v_{R,\varepsilon} = \rho_0^{-2} \varphi_{R,\varepsilon}|_{q_T}, \quad y_{R,\varepsilon} = -\rho_R^{-2} \mu_{R,\varepsilon}, \quad y_{R,\varepsilon}(\cdot, T) = -\varepsilon \varphi_{T,R,\varepsilon}. \quad (24)$$

Moreover,

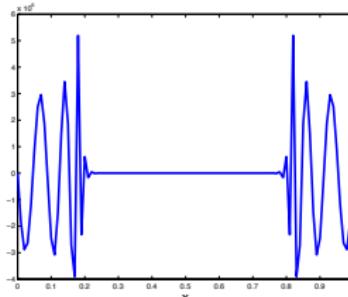
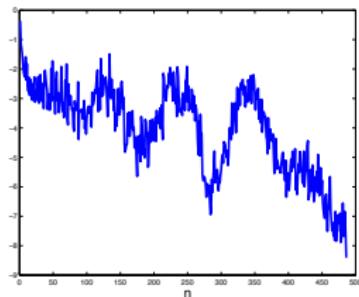
$$v_{R,\varepsilon} \rightarrow v \text{ strongly in } L^2(q_T) \text{ and } y_{R,\varepsilon} \rightarrow y \text{ strongly in } L^2(Q_T) \quad (25)$$

as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+$ ,  $R \rightarrow \infty$  where  $(y, v)$  minimizes  $J$ .

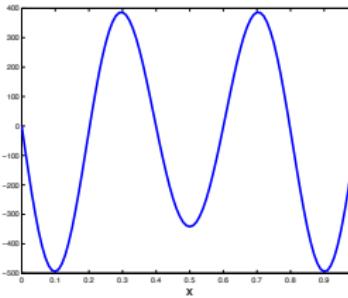
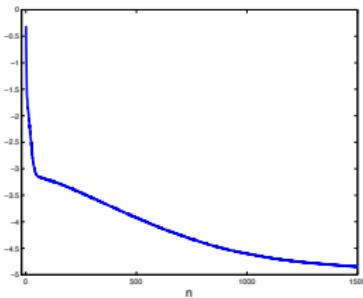


# With and Without weights: $\omega = (0.2, 0.8)$ - $y_0(x) = \sin(\pi x)$

Evolution of the residue (in  $\log_{10}$ -scale) and  $\varphi_{T,h}$  on  $(0, 1)$  for  $(\rho, \rho_0) \equiv (0, 1)$



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⇒ Very low variation of the cost around the minimizer with respect to the high frequencies of  $\varphi_{T,R,\varepsilon}$ .

$$\begin{cases} y_t - (a(x)y_x)_x + f(y) = v\mathbf{1}_\omega, & (x, t) \in (0, 1) \times (0, T) \\ y(x, t) = 0, & (x, t) \in \{0, 1\} \times (0, T) \\ y(x, 0) = y_0(x), & x \in (0, 1). \end{cases}$$

We assume that

$$|f'(s)| \leq C(1 + |s|^p), \quad \text{a.e., with } p \leq 5. \quad (26)$$

so that the system possesses a local (in time) solution.<sup>9</sup>

### Theorem (Fernandez-Cara and Zuazua'00)

Let  $T > 0$ . Assume that  $f(0) = 0$  and  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is locally Lipschitz-continuous and satisfies (??) and

$$\frac{f(s)}{|s| \log^{3/2}(1 + |s|)} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as} \quad |s| \rightarrow \infty. \quad (27)$$

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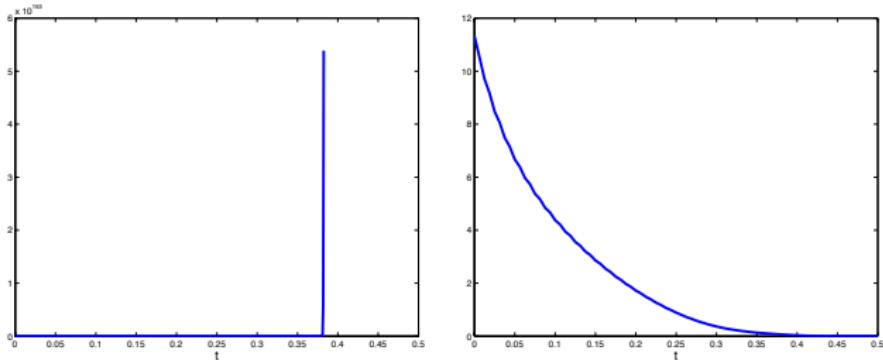
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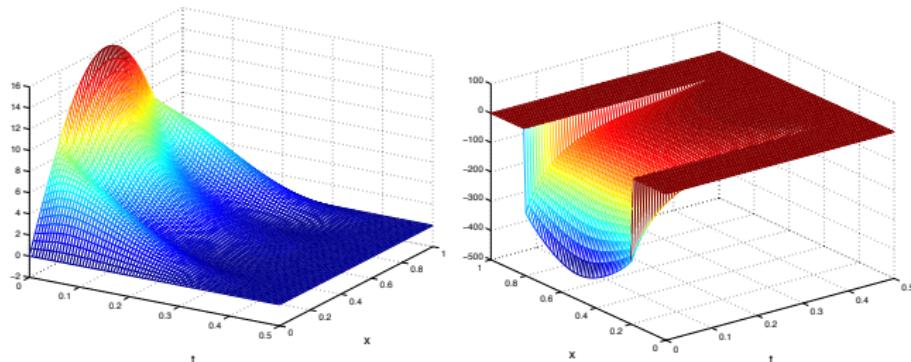
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## semi-linear situation

$$\omega = (0.2, 0.8), \quad T = 1/2, \quad a(x) = 1/2, \quad f(s) = -5s \log^{\frac{3}{2}}(1 + |s|), \quad y_0(x) = 16 \sin(\pi x)$$



$\|y_h(\cdot, t)\|_{L^2(0,1)}$ - norm vs.  $t \in (0, T)$  of the uncontrolled and controlled solution.



## PART III

Computation of control using the transmutation method

with Enrique Zuazua :

AM-EZ, Inverse Problems (2010) <sup>10</sup>

$$a(x) = a_0 > 0$$

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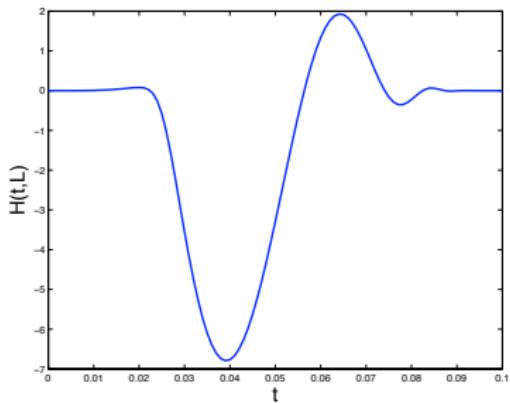
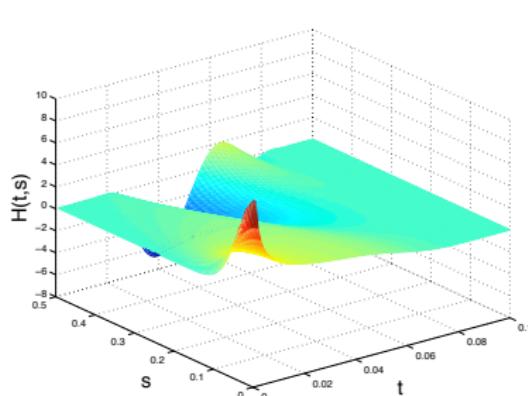
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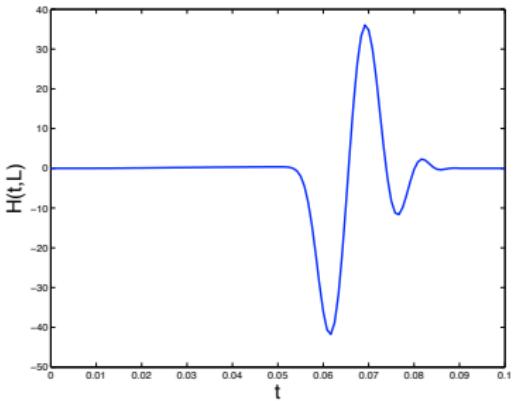
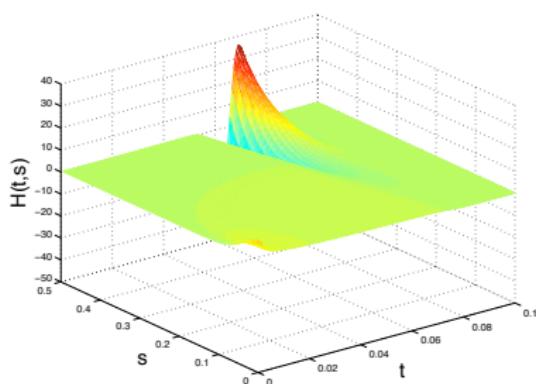
# Fundamental solution for the heat equation: example

$a_0 = 1$  by the change of variable  $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{t}) = (a_0 t, x)$



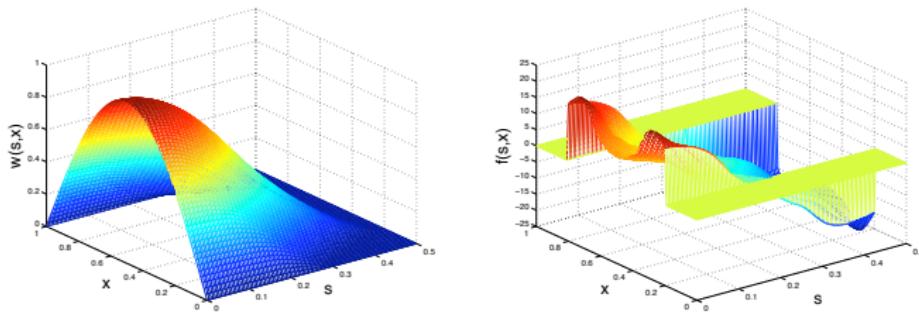
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# Fundamental solution for the heat equation: example

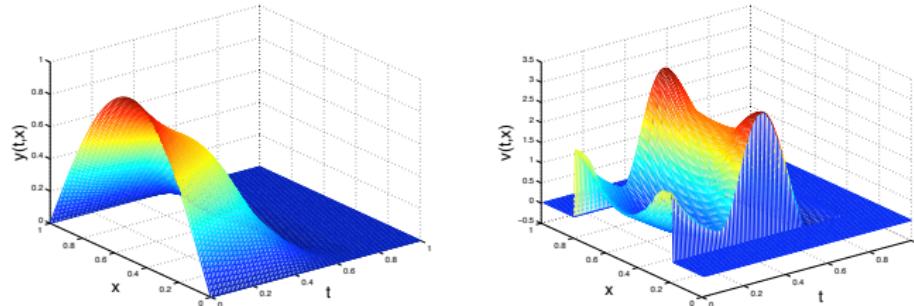


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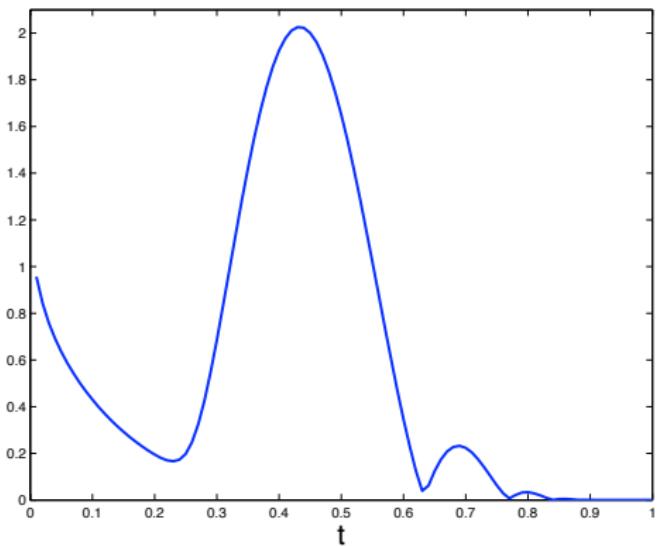


**Figure:**  $y_0(x) = \sin(\pi x)$ ,  $L = 0.5$  - Controlled wave solution  $w$  (**Left**) and corresponding HUM control  $f$  (**Right**) on  $(0, L) \times \Omega$ .



**Figure:**  $y_0(x) = \sin(\pi x)$ ,  $T = 1$ ,  $a_0 = 1/10$ ,  $(\delta, \alpha) = (T/5, 1)$  - Controlled heat solution  $y$  (**Left**) and corresponding transmuted control  $v$  (**Right**) on  $(0, T) \times \Omega$ .

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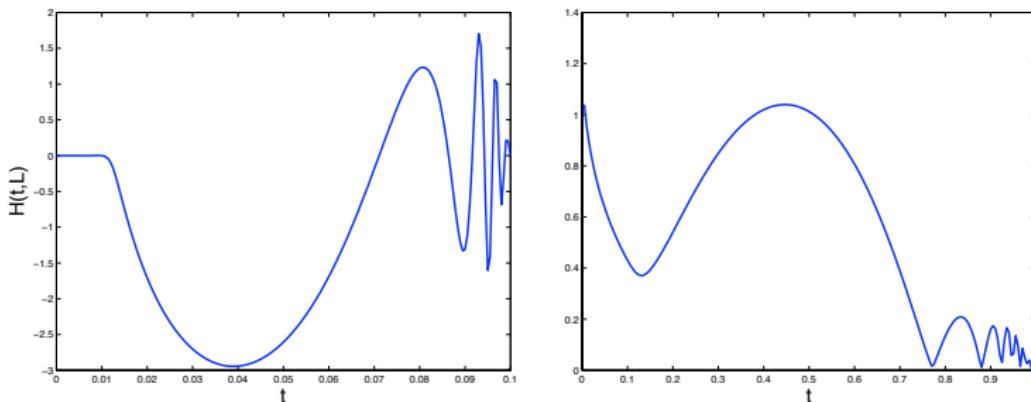
**Figure:**  $L^2(\omega)$  norm of the control  $v$  vs  $t \in [0, T]$  for  
 $(y_0(x), T, a_0) = (\sin(\pi x), 1, 1/10)$

## Transmutation to HUM ?

$$\|v\|_{L^2(Q_T)} \leq 2\|f\|_{L^2((0,L) \times \omega)} \|H\|_{L^2((0,T) \times (0,L))}$$

$\|H\|_{L^2((0,T) \times (0,L))}$  is reduced if  $\delta$  is small (reduce the time period where the dissipation is governed by the gaussian), and  $\alpha_1 > 1$  (allows to take  $\delta$  small) and  $\alpha_2 < 1$  (increase the magnitude of the control near  $T$ ).

$$h(s) = \exp\left(-\frac{a}{(s - \delta)^{\alpha_1} (T - s)^{\alpha_2}}\right)$$



**Figure:**  $(y_0(x), a_0) = (\sin(\pi x), 1/10)$  - Heat fundamental solution  $H(t, L)$  vs.  $t \in [0, \tilde{T}]$  (**Left**) and  $L^2(\Omega)$ -norm of corresponding control  $v$  (**Right**).  
 $\alpha_1 = 1.1, \alpha_2 = 0.7 \|g\|_{L^2(Q_T)} \approx 5.67 \times 10^{-1}$

- The transmuted control  $v_h = (v)_{h>0}$  ensures that  $\|y_h(T, \cdot)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \approx 10^{-5}$
- Once a solution  $H$  in the one dimensional is constructed, we can take

$$H_n(t, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = H(t, x_1) \times H(t, x_2) \times \dots \times H(t, x_n)$$

as a fundamental control solution for  $(t, x) \in (0, T) \times [-L, L]^n$ . Consequently, the transmutation provides also a control in any dimension, provided some geometric condition on the support  $\omega$ .

- The transmutation method provides uniformly bounded discrete control  $\{v_h\}$  discretization of

$$v(t, x) = 2 \sum_{k \geq 0} p^{(k)}(t) \int_0^L \frac{s^{2k}}{(2k)!} f(s, x) ds \mathbf{1}_\omega(x)$$

- The main difficulty is the robust evaluation of  $p^{(k)}$ .

## PART IV

Numerical null controllability through a variational approach

with Pablo Pedregal, Preprint 2010.

## The variational approach - Boundary control

Introduced in [Pedregal, (2010)]<sup>14</sup>

Assume that  $y_0 \in H^{1/2}(0, 1)$ ,  $y_0(0) = 0$ .

1. Consider the following class of feasible functions that comply with initial, boundary and final conditions :

$$\mathcal{A} = \left\{ y \in H^1(Q_T) : y(x, 0) = y_0(x), y(x, T) = 0, x \in (0, 1), y(0, t) = 0, t \in (0, T) \right\}$$

2. Find an element  $y \in \mathcal{A}$  solution of the heat equation, that is,

$$\int_{Q_T} (y_t w + a(x)y_x w_x) dxdt = 0, \quad \forall w \in L^2(0, T; H_0^1(0, 1)) \quad (29)$$

3. Define a control  $v$  as the trace of  $y$  on  $\{1\} \times (0, T)$ , that is

$$v(t) = y(1, t), \quad t \in (0, T)$$

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P. Pedregal, *A variational perspective on controllability*, Inverse Problems (2010)

Consider the problem

$$\inf_{y \in \mathcal{A}} E(y) = \frac{1}{2} \iint_{Q_T} \left( |u_t|^2 + a(x)|u_x|^2 \right) dx dt, \quad (30)$$

where  $u = u(y) \in H_{0,x}^1(Q_T) = \{u \in H^1(Q_T), u = 0 \text{ on } \{0, 1\} \times (0, T)\}$  is the solution of the elliptic problem over  $Q_T$ :

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## The variational approach : remarks

- Reminiscent of a least square approach as introduced by Glowinski'83.
- In practice, for any  $\bar{y} \in \mathcal{A}$ , for instance  $\bar{y}(x, t) = y_0(x)(1 - t/T)^2$ , we consider

$$\min_{z \in \mathcal{A}_0} E(\bar{y} + z)$$

over  $z \in \mathcal{A}_0 = \{z \in H^1(Q_T) : z(x, 0) = z(x, T) = 0, z(0, t) = 0\}$  by a conjugate gradient algorithm.

- The corrector  $u$  solution an  $H^1$ -elliptic problem is approximated by  $C^0(Q_T)$ -finite element.

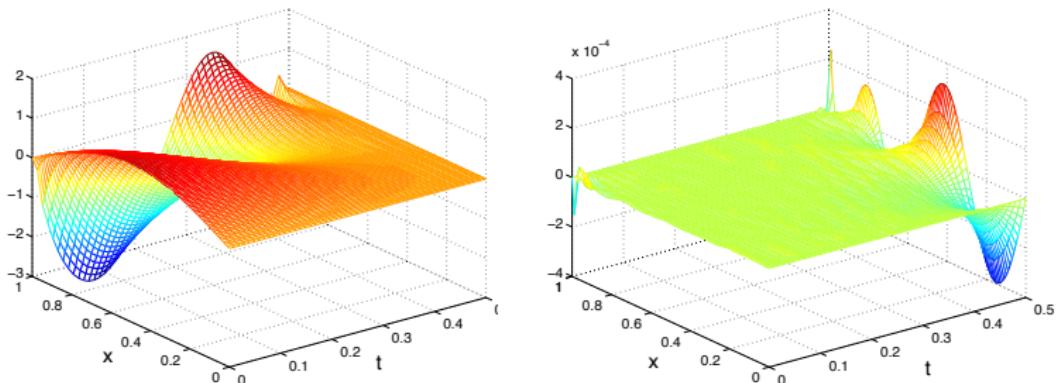
$$X_h = \{\varphi_h \in C^0([0, 1] \times [0, T]) : \varphi_h|_K \in (\mathbb{P}_{1,x} \otimes \mathbb{P}_{1,t})(K) \quad \forall K \in \mathcal{Q}_h\}.$$

$$X_{0h} = \{\varphi_h \in X_h : \varphi_h(0, t) = \varphi_h(1, t) = 0 \quad \forall t \in (0, T)\},$$

$$X_{yh} = \{\varphi_h \in X_h : \varphi_h(0, t) = 0 \quad \forall t \in (0, T), \varphi_h(x, 0) = y_0(x), \varphi_h(x, T) = 0 \quad \forall x \in (0, 1)\}.$$

$$\begin{cases} \text{Minimize} & E_h(y_h) = \frac{1}{2} \iint_{Q_T} (|u_{h,t}|^2 + a(x)|u_{h,x}|^2) dx dt, \\ \text{subject to} & y_h \in X_{yh}. \end{cases} \quad (32)$$

# Experiments



**Figure:**  $y_0(x) = \sin(\pi x)$ ,  $T = 1/2$ ,  $a_0 = 1/4$ ,  $\Delta x = \Delta t = 1/100$  - Solution in  $y_h \in \mathcal{A}_h$  (**Left**) and corresponding corrector  $u_h$  (**Right**) along  $Q_T$ .

$\Delta x = \Delta t$	1/25	1/50	1/100	1/200
# CG iteration	846	2 132	2 014	2 834
$\ y_h\ _{H^1(Q_T)}$	6.024	6.658	5.920	6.021
$\ y_h\ _{L^2(\Sigma_T)}$	1.369	1.487	1.392	1.418
$E(y_h)$	$4.88 \times 10^{-6}$	$8.37 \times 10^{-7}$	$1.22 \times 10^{-6}$	$8.29 \times 10^{-7}$

**Table:**  $y_0(x) = \sin(\pi x)$ ,  $T = 1/2$ ,  $a_0 = 1/4$  -  $\varepsilon = 10^{-5}$  - Numerical results with respect to  $h = (\Delta x, \Delta t)$ .

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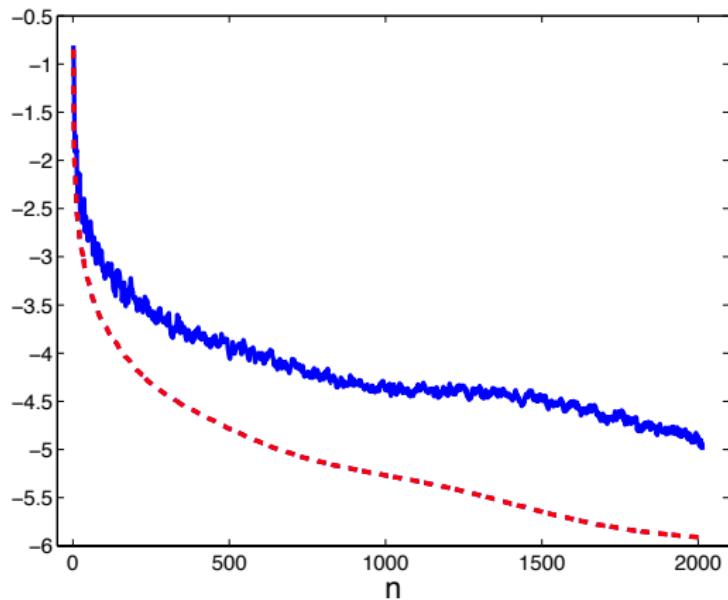


Figure:  $y_0(x) = \sin(\pi x)$ ,  $T = 1/2$ ,  $a_0 = 1/4$ ,  $\Delta x = \Delta t = 1/100$  -  $\log_{10}(E_h(y_h^n))$  and  $\log_{10}(\|g_h^n\|_A)$  vs. the iteration  $n$  of the conjugate gradient algorithm.

- The control  $y_h$  ensures that  $\|\bar{y}_h(T, \cdot)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \approx 10^{-3}$
- The distributed case is addressed in a similar way by considering the problem

$$E(u) = \frac{1}{2} \iint_{Q_T \setminus q_T} \left( |v_t|^2 + a(x)|v_x|^2 \right) dx dt$$

so that  $v$  vanishes out of  $q_T$ .

- Main advantage : The approach does not introduce any dual variable and for instance allows to obtain fundamental solution for the heat eq.
- Main drawback: do not control the norm of the control

- NUMERICAL APPROXIMATIONS OF EXACT CONTROLS FOR THE HEAT IS SEVERALLY ILL-POSED, CONSEQUENCE OF THE REGULARIZATION PROPERTY.
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