

# Full discretization of distributed control problems for parabolic equations

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## NOTATIONS

$$(S) \begin{cases} \partial_t y + \mathcal{A}y = \mathcal{B}v & \text{in } (0, T), \\ y(0) = y^0 \end{cases}$$

with  $T > 0$ ,  $E$  and  $U$  two Hilbert spaces,  $y \in L^2(]0, T[, E)$ ,  $\mathcal{A} : D(\mathcal{A}) \subset E \mapsto E$  is some “elliptic” unbounded operator,  $\mathcal{B} : U \mapsto E$  a **bounded** operator, and  $v \in L^2(]0, T[, U)$  is the control.

$$\text{Cost of the control : } \|v\|_{L^2(0,T;U)} = \left( \int_0^T \|v(t)\|_U^2 dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

## APPROXIMATE CONTROL PROBLEM

For  $y_T \in E$  and  $\beta > 0$  given, can we find  $v \in L^2(0, T; U)$  such that the solution  $y$  to (S) satisfies  $\|y(T) - y_T\|_E \leq \beta$ ?

## NULL CONTROL PROBLEM

Can we find  $v \in L^2(]0, T[; U)$  such that the solution  $y$  to (S) satisfies  $y(T) = 0$ ?

(Lebeau-Robbiano, '95) (Fursikov-Imanuvilov, '96)

## THE 1D HEAT EQUATION

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## 1D PARABOLIC SYSTEMS

$$(S) \begin{cases} \partial_t y_i - \partial_x(\gamma_i(x)\partial_x y_i) + \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_{ij}(x)y_j = 1_{\omega_i} B_i(x)v & \text{in } (0, T) \times \Omega, \\ y_i = 0 & \text{on } (0, T) \times \partial\Omega, \\ y_i(0) = y_i^0 \end{cases}$$

$y = (y_1, \dots, y_n)^t$ ,  $E = (L^2(\Omega))^n$ ,

$$\mathcal{A} = \begin{pmatrix} -\partial_x(\gamma_1(x)\partial_x \cdot) & 0 & \dots & & \\ 0 & -\partial_x(\gamma_2(x)\partial_x \cdot) & 0 & \dots & \\ & & \ddots & & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ \dots & & 0 & -\partial_x(\gamma_n(x)\partial_x \cdot) & \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{ij}(x) \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_{ij}(x) \end{pmatrix}_{ij},$$

$$U = (L^2(\Omega))^p, B_i(x) \in \mathcal{M}_{1,p}(\mathbb{R}), \mathcal{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 1_{\omega_1} B_1(x) \\ \vdots \\ 1_{\omega_n} B_n(x) \end{pmatrix}.$$

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#### GENERAL STATEMENT - CONVERGENCE OF THE PENALTY METHOD

For any  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $J_\varepsilon$  has a unique minimizer  $q_{F, \varepsilon}$ .

If we assume that the problem  $(S)$  is approximately controllable, then the control  $v_\varepsilon = \mathcal{B}^* q_\varepsilon$  for our parabolic problem leads to a solution such that  $\|y_{v_\varepsilon}(T)\|_E \rightarrow 0$  when  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ .

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- Another Euclidean space  $(U_h, [\cdot, \cdot]_h)$ , with norm  $[\![\cdot]\!]_h$ .
- A linear operator  $\mathcal{B}_h : U_h \rightarrow E_h$ , and  $\mathcal{B}_h^*$  its adjoint :

$$\forall v \in U_h, \forall x \in E_h, \quad (\mathcal{B}_h v, x)_h = [\mathcal{B}_h^* x, v]_h.$$

- We shall assume that there exists  $C > 0$  such that

$$[\![\mathcal{B}_h^* x]\!]_h \leq C \|x\|_h, \quad \forall h > 0, \forall x \in E_h,$$

**$\rightsquigarrow$  our analysis does not include boundary controls !**

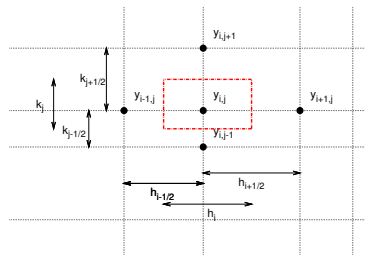
$$\Omega = (0, 1)^2, E = L^2(\Omega), \mathcal{A} = -\operatorname{div} \left( \begin{pmatrix} \gamma^1(x) & 0 \\ 0 & \gamma^2(x) \end{pmatrix} \nabla \cdot \right), \omega \subset \Omega, U = L^2(\omega)$$

- $E_h = \mathbb{R}^N$ ,  $N = n_1 \times n_2$  the total number of discretization points

$$(x, y)_h = \sum_{i,j} h_i k_j x_{i,j} y_{i,j},$$

$$h_i = (h_{i+\frac{1}{2}} + h_{i-\frac{1}{2}})/2,$$

$$k_j = (k_{j+\frac{1}{2}} + k_{j-\frac{1}{2}})/2.$$



- $U_h = \mathbb{R}^k$ ,  $k$  being the number of discretization cells which intersect the control domain  $\omega$  equipped with the same inner product as  $E_h$ .
- $\mathcal{A}_h \in M_N(\mathbb{R})$  is the classical 5-diagonal matrix given by

$$(\mathcal{A}_h y)_{i,j} = - \frac{\gamma_{i+\frac{1}{2},j}^1 \frac{y_{i+1,j} - y_{i,j}}{h_{i+\frac{1}{2}}} - \gamma_{i-\frac{1}{2},j}^1 \frac{y_{i,j} - y_{i-1,j}}{h_{i-\frac{1}{2}}}}{h_i} - \frac{\gamma_{i,j+\frac{1}{2}}^2 \frac{y_{i,j+1} - y_{i,j}}{k_{j+\frac{1}{2}}} - \gamma_{i,j-\frac{1}{2}}^2 \frac{y_{i,j} - y_{i,j-1}}{k_{j-\frac{1}{2}}}}{k_j},$$

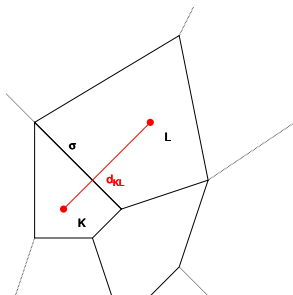
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- $\mathcal{B}_h \in M_{N,k}(\mathbb{R})$  is the rectangle matrix corresponding to the natural embedding of  $\omega$  in  $\Omega$ .

$\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  polygonal,  $E = L^2(\Omega)$ ,  $\mathcal{A} = -\gamma\Delta$ ,  $\omega \subset \Omega$ ,  $U = L^2(\omega)$

- $E_h = \mathbb{R}^{\mathcal{T}}$ , where  $\mathcal{T} = (\kappa)_{\kappa \in \mathcal{T}}$  is an admissible set of polygonal cells,  $N = |\mathcal{T}|$ .

$$(x, y)_h = \sum_{\kappa \in \mathcal{T}} x_{\kappa} y_{\kappa}.$$

- The mass matrix  $\mathcal{M}_h \in M_N(\mathbb{R})$  is diagonal ; its entries are the volumes  $|\kappa|$  of each  $\kappa \in \mathcal{T}$ .



- $\mathcal{A}_h \in M_N(\mathbb{R})$  is the finite volume matrix defined with

$$(\mathcal{A}_h y)_{\kappa} = \gamma \sum_{\mathcal{L} \in \mathcal{N}_{\kappa}} |\sigma| \frac{y_{\kappa} - y_{\mathcal{L}}}{d_{\kappa \mathcal{L}}}.$$

- $U_h = \mathbb{R}^{\mathcal{T}_{\omega}}$ ,  $\mathcal{T}_{\omega}$  is the subset of  $\mathcal{T}$  form with the cells which intersect the control domain  $\omega$ , equipped with the inner product defined by  $\mathcal{M}_h$ .
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Let  $X_h \subset H_0^1(\Omega)$ , and  $Y_h \subset L^2(\Omega)$  be finite dimensional spaces and  $(\phi_i^h)_i \subset X_h$ ,  $(\psi_j^h)_j \subset Y_h$  two basis of these spaces.

- $E_h = \mathbb{R}^{\dim X_h}$ , the elements in  $E_h$  being the coordinates in the basis,  $(\cdot, \cdot)_h$  is the usual Euclidean inner product.
- $U_h = \mathbb{R}^{\dim Y_h}$ , the elements in  $U_h$  representing the coordinates of elements in  $Y_h$  in the basis,  $[\cdot, \cdot]_h$  is the usual Euclidean inner product.
- The matrix  $\mathcal{M}_h \in M_N(\mathbb{R})$  is the mass matrix associated with  $(\phi_i^h)_i$ . Its entries are  $\int_{\Omega} \phi_i^h \phi_j^h dx$ .
- The matrix  $\mathcal{B}_h \in M_{N,k}(\mathbb{R})$  is the matrix whose entries are  $\int_{\omega} \phi_i^h \psi_j^h dx$ .
- The matrix  $\mathcal{A}_h \in M_N(\mathbb{R})$  is the rigidity matrix associated with the diffusion operator. Its entries are  $\int_{\Omega} \gamma(x) \nabla \phi_i^h \cdot \nabla \phi_j^h dx$ .

### MASS LUMPING TECHNIQUE :

The scheme can be slightly modified by replacing  $\mathcal{M}_h$  by a diagonal matrix containing the sum of the entries in each row of  $\mathcal{M}_h$

$\Rightarrow$  avoids the computation of  $\mathcal{M}_h^{-1}$ .

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SIMPLIFICATION IN THIS TALK : Mass matrix  $\mathcal{M}_h = \text{Id}$ .

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## FACTS AND QUESTIONS

- The semi-discrete problem  $(S_h)$  can be **non controllable** even if  $(S)$  is. Indeed, it may exist some eigenfunctions  $\psi_h$  of  $\mathcal{A}_h$  such that

$$\mathcal{B}_h^* \psi_h = 0.$$

Such an initial data can not be controlled.

(Kavian '01, Zuazua '03)

- It is certainly a **theoretical difficulty** : what can we do to overcome the problem ?
- Is it an actual difficulty in practice ?

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- We let  $v_{\varepsilon,h} = \mathcal{B}_h^* q_{\varepsilon,h}(t)$  and  $t \mapsto y_{h,\varepsilon}(t)$  the associated solution to  $(S_h)$ .
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$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \|y_{h,\varepsilon}(T)\|_h = +\infty, \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \|v_{h,\varepsilon}\|_{L^2(0,T;U_h)} = +\infty.$$

- We can hope that for some  $C > 0$  and any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $h_\varepsilon^* > 0$

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### FIRST SERIES OF QUESTIONS

- 1 If we are interested in the **approximate control problem** : Is it possible to give an estimate of  $h_\varepsilon^*$  ?
- 2 If we are interested in the **null control problem** : Is it possible to choose  $\varepsilon > 0$  as a function of  $h$  :  $\varepsilon = \phi(h)$  such that

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \|y_{h,\phi(h)}(T)\|_h = 0, \quad \|v_{h,\phi(h)}\|_{L^2(0,T;U_h)} \leq C,$$

and can we estimate those quantities ?

- 3 If many such  $h \mapsto \phi(h)$  exist, how do I choose one in practice ?

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In the sequel of the talk I will assume the following

**ASSUMPTION (UNIFORM DISCRETE LEBEAU-ROBBIANO INEQUALITY)**

There exists  $h_0 > 0$ ,  $\alpha \in [0, 1)$ ,  $\beta > 0$ , and  $\kappa, \ell > 0$  such that for any  $h < h_0$  and for any  $(a_j)_j \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}}$ , we have

$$\left\| \sum_{\mu_{j,h} \leq \mu} a_j \psi_{j,h} \right\|_h^2 \leq \kappa e^{\kappa \mu^\alpha} \left[ \mathcal{B}_h^* \left( \sum_{\mu_{j,h} \leq \mu} a_j \psi_{j,h} \right) \right]_h^2, \quad \forall \mu < \frac{\ell}{h^\beta}, \quad (\mathcal{H}_{\alpha,\beta})$$

where  $(\mu_{j,h})_j$  are the eigenvalues of  $\mathcal{A}_h$  and  $(\psi_{j,h})_j$  the corresponding orthonormal eigenvectors.

**FUNDAMENTAL REMARK**

For dimension reasons, such an inequality **can not** be true for any  $\mu > 0$ .

**SOME RESTRICTIONS OF THE METHOD UP TO NOW**

- Only the symmetric case  $\mathcal{A}_h = \mathcal{A}_h^*$ .
- No boundary control.
- Time-independent coefficients.

**NOTATION SIMPLIFICATION :**  $y_h \rightarrow y$ ,  $v_h \rightarrow v$ ,  $\mu_{j,h} \rightarrow \mu_j$ , ...



(B.-Hubert-Le Rousseau '09,'10)

We proved that the uniform discrete Lebeau-Robbiano inequality ( $\mathcal{H}_{\alpha,\beta}$ ) holds for

- Finite difference schemes on regular Cartesian meshes in any dimension.
- A scalar elliptic operator  $\mathcal{A}$  with diagonal diffusion tensor (possibly depending smoothly on  $x$ ).
- Distributed control problem  $\mathcal{B}_h = 1_\omega$ .
- We obtain :
  - $\alpha = 1/2$  (i.e. the constant is  $\sim e^{\sqrt{\mu}}$ ).
  - $\beta = 2$  (related to  $\alpha$  and to the order of the differential operator).

**MAIN TOOL : Global discrete elliptic Carleman estimates** with precise dependence of the large Carleman parameters with respect to the discretization parameter  $h$ .

#### PERSPECTIVES :

The same kind of property *should be true* in more general situations :

- For non-symmetric  $\mathcal{A}_h$  (heat equation with first order terms, parabolic systems with non symmetric coupling, etc ...).
- Finite volume schemes.
- Galerkin discretizations.

To our knowledge, these are still open problems.

(Carthel-Glowinski-Lions, '94) (Glowinski-Lions, '94)

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Consider the approximate control problem for  $(S_h)$  by penalty introducing

$$q_F \in E_h \mapsto J_{\varepsilon,h}(q_F) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T \llbracket \mathcal{B}_h^* q(t) \rrbracket_h^2 dt + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \|q_F\|_h^2 + \langle y_0, q(0) \rangle_h.$$

We denote by  $q_{F,\varepsilon,h}$  its minimizer and  $t \mapsto q_{\varepsilon,h}(t)$  the associated adjoint state.

## THEOREM

Assume that the uniform discrete Lebeau-Robbiano inequality  $(\mathcal{H}_{\alpha,\beta})$  holds, then there exists  $h_0 > 0$  and constants  $C, C_{\text{obs}} > 0$  such that :

- For any  $h < h_0$ , and  $\varepsilon > e^{-C/h^\beta}$ , the control  $v_{h,\varepsilon}(t) = \mathcal{B}_h^* q_{h,\varepsilon}(t)$  is such that

$$\|v_{h,\varepsilon}\|_{L^2(0,T;U_h)} \leq C_{\text{obs}}, \quad \text{and} \quad \|y_{h,\varepsilon}(T)\|_h \leq C_{\text{obs}} \sqrt{\varepsilon}.$$

## ASSOCIATED RELAXED OBSERVABILITY INEQUALITY

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \forall h < h_0, \forall \varepsilon > e^{-C/h^\beta} \\ \forall \varepsilon < \varepsilon_0, \forall h < \frac{C'}{|\log \varepsilon|^{1/\beta}} \end{array} \right\}, \forall q_F \in E_h, \quad \|q(0)\|_h^2 \leq C_{\text{obs}}^2 \left( \int_0^T \llbracket \mathcal{B}_h^* q(t) \rrbracket_h^2 dt + \varepsilon \|q_F\|_h^2 \right).$$

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## COMPUTATION OF A NULL-CONTROL :

If we choose a function  $h \mapsto \phi(h)$  such that  $\phi(h) > e^{-C/h^\beta}$  for any  $h$ , then the sequence  $(v_{h,\phi(h)})_h$  converges, at least weakly, towards a null-control of the initial PDE (S) and we have

$$\|y_{h,\phi(h)}(T)\|_h \leq C_{\text{obs}} \sqrt{\phi(h)}, \quad \forall 0 < h < h_0.$$

- Recall that, in general, a null-control for  $(S_h)$  does not exist  
 $\Rightarrow \varepsilon = 0$  is meaningless.
- Taking  $\varepsilon = \phi(h)$  exponentially small is theoretically possible but  
**this is not reasonable and in fact completely useless.**
- In practice, choosing  $\phi(h) = h^{2p}$  for some integer  $p$  related to the approximation order  $p$  of the scheme under study is sufficient.

**See some numerical evidences above**

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We have seen that some uniform approximate/null controllability properties hold for

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### WHAT ABOUT TIME DISCRETIZATION OF SUCH A SYSTEM ?

- We study **unconditionally stable schemes** : the implicit Euler scheme and the Crank-Nicolson scheme (in fact any  $\theta$ -scheme with  $\theta \in [1/2, 1]$ ).

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- We show that most of the results of the semi-discrete situation holds for fully-discrete systems uniformly in  $\delta t$  and  $h$  (provided  $\delta t$  is not too large with respect to  $h$ , *this will be made precise below*).
- Finally, we show that,  $h > 0$  being fixed, the full discrete control  $v_{h,\delta t}$  we will construct converges towards the semi-discrete control  $v_h$  at **first** or **second** order in time.

(Zheng, '08), (Ervedoza-Valein, '10)

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### REMARKS

- The definition of  $\mathcal{L}(y_0, v)$  has to be adapted to the time discretisation scheme.

**Example :** BDF2 method

(Glowinski-Lions, '94)

$$\begin{cases} y^0 = y_0, \\ \frac{y^1 - y^0}{\delta t} + \frac{2}{3} \mathcal{A}_h y^1 + \frac{1}{3} \mathcal{A}_h y^0 = \frac{2}{3} \mathcal{B}_h v^1, \\ \frac{3y^{n+1} - 2y^n + \frac{1}{2}y^{n-1}}{\delta t} + \mathcal{A}_h y^{n+1} = \mathcal{B}_h v^{n+1}, \quad \forall n \in \llbracket 1, M-2 \rrbracket, \\ y^M = 2y^{M-1} - y^{M-2}. \end{cases}$$

- Other choices for the full-discrete  $L^2(\llbracket 0, T[, U_h)$  norm could be more suitable.



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**DUAL OPTIMIZATION PROBLEM :** General duality theory gives

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$$\text{Argmin } F_{\varepsilon,h,\delta t} = \mathcal{L}_v^* (\text{Argmin } J_{\varepsilon,h,\delta t}).$$

**ASSOCIATED OBSERVABILITY INEQUALITY**

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- By adding any element of  $\ker \mathcal{B}_h$  to any  $v^n$ , you do not change  $\mathcal{L}(y_0, v)$  :

$$\implies (\mathcal{L}_v^* q_F)^n \in (\ker \mathcal{B}_h)^\perp = \text{Im } \mathcal{B}_h^*, \quad \forall n \in \llbracket 1, M \rrbracket.$$

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**CONCLUSION :** given  $q_F \in E_h$ , we solve the following backward  $\theta$ -scheme-like

$$(S_{h,\delta t}^*) \begin{cases} q^{M+1} = q_F, \\ \frac{q^M - q^{M+1}}{\delta t} + \theta \mathcal{A}_h q^M = 0, \\ \frac{q^n - q^{n+1}}{\delta t} + \mathcal{A}_h(\theta q^n + (1 - \theta)q^{n+1}) = 0, \quad \forall n \in \llbracket 1, M-1 \rrbracket. \end{cases}$$

then, we have

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**Remark :**  $q_F$  itself does not directly appears in  $\mathcal{L}_v^* q_F$ .

The dual functional that we will thus consider is the following

$$J_{\varepsilon, h, \delta t} : q_F \in E_h \mapsto \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^M \delta t \llbracket \mathcal{B}_h^* q^n \rrbracket_h^2 + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \|q_F\|_h^2 - \left\langle y_0, q^1 - \delta t(1 - \theta)\mathcal{A}_h q^1 \right\rangle_h,$$

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#### THEOREM (USELESS ...)

*The fully discrete system  $(S_{h,\delta t})$  is controllable if and only if any solution of the adjoint system  $(S_{h,\delta t}^*)$  satisfies the following observability inequality*

$$\underbrace{\left\| q^1 - \delta t(1 - \theta)\mathcal{A}_h q^1 \right\|_h^2}_{= \|\mathcal{L}_0^* q_F\|_h^2} \leq C_{\text{obs}}^2 \sum_{n=1}^M \delta t \underbrace{\left\| \mathcal{B}_h^* q^n \right\|_h^2}_{= \left\| (\mathcal{L}_v^* q_F)^n \right\|_h^2}.$$

Unfortunately, as we have seen, this does not hold in general.

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#### THEOREM (THE CASE $\theta > 1/2$ )

Assume that the uniform discrete L-R inequality ( $\mathcal{H}_{\alpha,\beta}$ ) holds, choose  $0 < \gamma \leq \beta$  and  $C_T > 0$ . For any  $\delta t \leq C_T h^\gamma$  the following relaxed observability inequality holds

$$\left\| q^1 - \delta t(1 - \theta)\mathcal{A}_h q^1 \right\|_h^2 \leq C_{\text{obs}}^2 \sum_{n=1}^M \delta t \llbracket \mathcal{B}_h^* q^n \rrbracket_h^2 + C e^{-C/h^\gamma} \|q_F\|_h^2.$$

Thus, for any such  $\delta t$ , there exists a full-discrete control  $v_{h,\delta t}$  s.t.

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## MAIN IDEA : ADAPT THE LEBEAU-ROBBIANO ORIGINAL STRATEGY

- STEP 1 :** Use the discrete L.R. inequality to prove controllability of frequency modes less than  $\mu$  with cost  $e^{C\mu^\alpha} \|y_0\|_h$ .
- STEP 2 :** Construct a suitable full discrete control by a discrete **finite** time slicing procedure :

$$\{0, \dots, M\} = \bigsqcup_{j=1}^J \{M'_j, \dots, M'_j + 2M_j\}. \quad (\star)$$

- Between discrete times  $M'_j$  and  $M'_j + M_j$  :

Use a control for frequencies less than  $2^{j/\alpha}$  (Step 1).

- Between discrete times  $M'_j + M_j + 1$  and  $M'_j + 2M_j$  :

Let the system evolve without control and take advantage of the parabolic dissipation since the solution only contains frequencies greater than  $2^{j/\alpha}$ .

## NEW DIFFICULTIES

- $\delta t$  has to be small enough (i.e.  $M$  large enough) in order to construct a suitable slicing ( $\star$ ).
- The full-discrete heat semi-group

$$(\text{Id} + \theta \delta t \mathcal{A}_h)^{-1} (\text{Id} + (1 - \theta) \delta t \mathcal{A}_h)$$

do not have the same dissipation properties than the semi-discrete semi-group

$$e^{-\delta t \mathcal{A}_h}.$$

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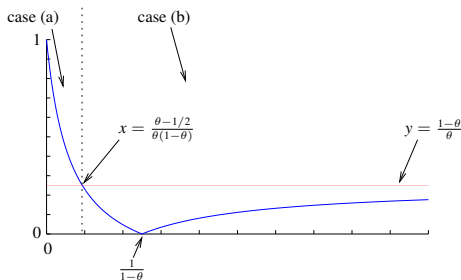
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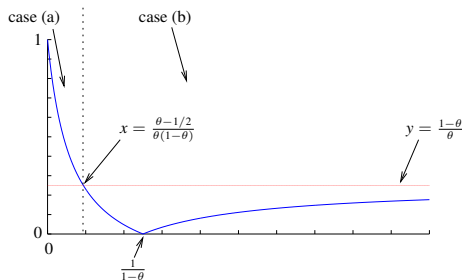
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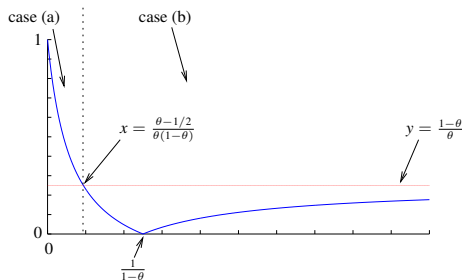
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$$\left(\frac{1 - \theta}{\theta}\right)^M \leq \left(\frac{1 - \theta}{\theta}\right)^{\frac{M \delta t}{C_T h^\gamma}} = e^{-\xi \frac{M \delta t}{h^\gamma}} \sim e^{-\xi \frac{T}{h^\gamma}}.$$

THE CRANK-NICOLSON SCHEME ( $\theta = 1/2$ )

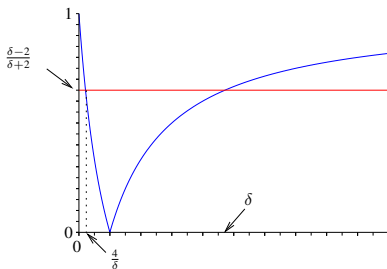
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- For large  $\delta t \times \mu_{i,h}$ , the damping factor can be  $\sim 1$ . Here we use

$$\delta t \rho(\mathcal{A}_h) \leq \delta.$$

We thus split the analysis into two cases :

- The case  $\delta t \times \mu_{i,h}$  less than  $4/\delta$  : natural exponential damping
- The case  $\delta t \times \mu_{i,h}$  greater than  $4/\delta$  : damping bounded by  $\frac{\delta-2}{\delta+2} < 1$ .

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#### PROBLEM 1

Starting from any  $y_0 \in E_h$ , can we drive the solution of the semi-discrete system

$$\partial_t y + \mathcal{A}_h y = \mathcal{B}_h v, \quad y(0) = y_0,$$

to  $\hat{y}_F$  at time  $T$ ?

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## PROBLEM 2

Starting from any  $y_0 \in E_h$ , can we drive the solution of the full-discrete system

$$\frac{y^{n+1} - y^n}{\delta t} + \mathcal{A}_h(\theta y^{n+1} + (1 - \theta)y^n) = \mathcal{B}_h v^{n+1}, \quad y^0 = y_0,$$

to  $\hat{y}_F$  at discrete time  $M$  ?

$\rightsquigarrow$  This is **not** equivalent to the null-controllability problem with initial data  $\hat{y}_0 - y_0$

**INDEED** : The full-discrete free trajectory starting at  $\hat{y}_0$  is not equal to  $\hat{y}_F$  at time  $M$ .

- In most cases (but not always)  $\hat{y}_F$  belongs to some full discrete trajectory

$$\hat{y}_F = \left( (\text{Id} + \theta\mathcal{A}_h)^{-1}(\text{Id} + (1 - \theta)\mathcal{A}_h) \right)^M \tilde{y}_0^{\delta t}.$$

- We do not want the estimates to depend on  $\tilde{y}_0^{\delta t}$  since :
  - In general we do not want to compute  $\tilde{y}_0^{\delta t}$ .
  - Its norm can be large with respect to that of  $\hat{y}_F$ .

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**OUR RESULT :** Under suitable assumptions, by minimizing the functional

$$J^{h,\delta t}(q_F) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^M \delta t \left[ \|\mathcal{B}_h^* q^n\|_h^2 + \frac{\phi(h)}{2} \|q_F\|_h^2 - \langle \hat{y}_F, q_F \rangle_h + \left\langle y_0, q^1 - \delta t(1-\theta)\mathcal{A}_h q^1 \right\rangle_h \right],$$

we produce a full discrete control  $v_{h,\delta t} = (\mathcal{B}_h^* q^n)_n$  such that

- The cost of the control satisfies

$$\sum_{n=1}^M \delta t \|v^n\|_h^2 \leq C_{\text{obs}}^2 \left( \|y_0 - \hat{y}_0\|_h + C_s \delta t^{\zeta_1} \left\| \mathcal{A}_h^{\frac{1}{2}} \hat{y}_0 \right\|_h \right)^2 + e^{-C/\delta t^{\zeta_2}} \|\hat{y}_0\|_h^2,$$

for some  $\zeta_1, \zeta_2 > 0$ .

- The controlled solution  $(y^n)_n$  associated with  $v_{h,\delta t}$  and  $y_0$  is such that

$$\left\| y^M - \hat{y}_F \right\|_h \leq \sqrt{\phi(h)} C_{\text{obs}} \left( \|y_0 - \hat{y}_0\|_h + C \delta t^{\zeta_1} \left\| \mathcal{A}_h^{\frac{1}{2}} \hat{y}_0 \right\|_h \right) + e^{-C/\delta t^{\zeta_2}} \|\hat{y}_0\|_h.$$

**MAIN TOOL :** Estimate of the difference between the two initial data

$$\left\| \tilde{y}_0^{\delta t} - \hat{y}_0 \right\|_h \leq C \delta t^{\zeta} \left\| \mathcal{A}_h^{\frac{1}{2}} \hat{y}_0 \right\|_h.$$

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- The error analysis in space is intricate (low regularity expected for the HUM null-control, ...).
- We try here to analyse the error induced by time discretisation in this problem.

## FRAMEWORK

- We assume the uniform discrete Lebeau-Robbiano ( $\mathcal{H}_{\alpha,\beta}$ ) to hold.
- We suppose that  $h > 0$  is fixed, that  $y_0 \in E_h$  is given and that  $h \mapsto \phi(h)$  is given.
- The minimization of the functional

$$J^h(q_F) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T \llbracket \mathcal{B}_h^* q(t) \rrbracket_h^2 dt + \frac{\phi(h)}{2} \|q_F\|_h^2 + \langle y_0, q(0) \rangle_h,$$

leads to a semi-discrete control  $t \mapsto v_h(t) \in L^2(]0, T[, U_h)$ .

- For simplicity, we consider the implicit Euler scheme (similar results hold for  $\theta \in [1/2, 1]$ ). The minimization of the functional

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leads to a full discrete control  $v_{h,\delta t} = (v^n)_n \in (U_h)^M$ .

**GOAL :** Prove an error estimate between  $v_{h,\delta t}$  and  $v_h$ .

## THEOREM

Under the same assumptions than previous results (in particular  $\delta t \leq Ch^\gamma$ ), the following error estimate holds

$$\left\| \underbrace{v_h - \sum_{n=1}^M 1_{(t^{n-1}, t^n)} v^n}_{\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathcal{F}_0[v_h, \delta t]} \right\|_{L^2(]0, T[, U_h)} \leq C \delta t \frac{\rho(\mathcal{A}_h)}{\sqrt{\phi(h)}} \left( 1 + \delta t^{\frac{3}{2}} \rho(\mathcal{A}_h)^{\frac{3}{2}} \right) \|y_0\|_h.$$

## REMARKS

- First order in time estimate (second order for CN provided a suitable time interpolation operator is used in place of  $\mathcal{F}_0[.]$ ).
- The estimate is not uniform in  $h$ , even if we are interested in the approximate control problem where  $\phi(h) = \varepsilon > 0$ . The result is probably not optimal.

## SKETCH OF PROOF

- Write the Euler-Lagrange equations corresponding to the two minimization problems we consider (the semi-discrete and the full-discrete).
- Compare the two Euler-Lagrange equations by using error estimates in time for the adjoint problem.

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The functional we want to minimise reads ( $\varepsilon$  is fixed or  $\varepsilon = \phi(h)$ )

$$J_{\varepsilon, h, \delta t} : q_F \in E_h \longmapsto \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^M \delta t \left[ (\mathcal{L}_v^* q_F)^n \right]_h^2 + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \|q_F\|_h^2 + \langle y_0, \mathcal{L}_0^* q_F \rangle_h.$$

We solve this problem by conjugate gradient (in  $(E_h, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_h)$ ).

(Glowinski-Lions, '94)

### COMPUTATION OF THE GRADIENT

$$\nabla J_{\varepsilon, h, \delta t}(q_F) = \mathcal{L}_v \mathcal{L}_v^* q_F + \varepsilon q_F + \mathcal{L}_0 y_0,$$

and we have seen that  $\mathcal{L}_v \mathcal{L}_v^* q_F$  is computed by solving first

$$(S_{h, \delta t}^*) \begin{cases} q^{M+1} = q_F, \\ \frac{q^M - q^{M+1}}{\delta t} + \theta \mathcal{A}_h q^M = 0, \\ \frac{q^n - q^{n+1}}{\delta t} + \mathcal{A}_h(\theta q^n + (1 - \theta)q^{n+1}) = 0, \quad \forall n \in \llbracket 1, M-1 \rrbracket, \end{cases}$$

then by solving

$$(S_{h, \delta t}) \begin{cases} y^0 = 0, \\ \frac{y^{n+1} - y^n}{\delta t} + \mathcal{A}_h(\theta y^{n+1} + (1 - \theta)y^n) = \underbrace{\mathcal{B}_h \mathcal{B}_h^* q^{n+1}}_{=(\mathcal{L}_v^* q_F)^n}, \quad \forall n \in \llbracket 0, M-1 \rrbracket, \end{cases}$$

and we finally have  $\mathcal{L}_v \mathcal{L}_v^* q_F = y^M$ .



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- Performance issues :

- Condition number for  $\varepsilon > 0$  (almost independent of  $\delta t$ ) :

$$\|\mathcal{L}_v \mathcal{L}_v^* + \varepsilon \text{Id}\| \leq C + \varepsilon,$$

$$\|(\mathcal{L}_v \mathcal{L}_v^* + \varepsilon \text{Id})^{-1}\| \sim \frac{C}{\varepsilon}.$$

For instance, for  $\varepsilon = \phi(h) = h^2$  we have the same condition number as for the discrete Laplace matrix ...

Recall that : Nb of iterations of CG  $\sim \sqrt{\text{condition number}} \sim 1/\sqrt{\varepsilon}$ .

- Condition number for  $\varepsilon = 0$  :
  - We have seen that  $\mathcal{L}_v \mathcal{L}_v^*$  could be not invertible !!
  - Even if we assume that it is invertible and that the uniform observability inequality holds

$$\|\mathcal{L}_0^* q_F\|_h \leq C \|\mathcal{L}_v^* q_F\|,$$

the very bad condition number comes from

$$\|q_F\|_h^2 \leq C e^{C/h^p} \|\mathcal{L}_0^* q_F\|_h^2 \leq C' e^{C/h^p} \langle \mathcal{L}_v \mathcal{L}_v^* q_F, q_F \rangle_h.$$

- Summary :

- System is not so ill-posed **but** preconditioning is a very important and difficult issue.
- Computational time of each CG iteration can be large and memory consuming : use of parareal algorithms can be useful (Lions-Maday-Turinici, ...)

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**CONTINUITY OF SOLUTIONS WITH RESPECT TO DATA**

$$\underbrace{\|y(T) - \tilde{y}_{h,\delta t}(T)\|_{L^2}}_{=0} \leq C \|y_0 - \tilde{y}_{h,\delta t}(0)\|_{L^2} + C \|v - \tilde{v}_{h,\delta t}\|_{L^2(]0, T[ \times \omega)}.$$

**STANDARD A PRIORI ERROR ESTIMATE :**  $\|\tilde{y}_{h,\delta t}(T) - y^M\|_{L^2} \sim C_{v,y_0} (\delta t^p + h^q).$

**CONCLUSION :**  $\|v - \tilde{v}_{h,\delta t}\|_{L^2(]0, T[ \times \omega)} \sim C_{v,y_0} (\delta t^p + h^q) + C_{\text{obs}} \sqrt{\phi(h)} \|y_0\|_{L^2}.$

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- The choice of  $\phi(h)$  has to be related to the rate of convergence  $\delta t^p + h^q$  of the approximation scheme used.
- Even for large time steps we may compute very small targets  $y^M$ , **but** they are meaningless since the actual control and controlled solution are very poorly approximated.
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## EXACT COMPUTATION OF THE RECONSTITUTED FINAL STATE $\tilde{y}_{h,\delta t}(T)$

In Fourier variable  $\left(\mathcal{F}_{kz} = \int_0^1 z(x) \sin(k\pi x) dx\right)$  we have the ODE

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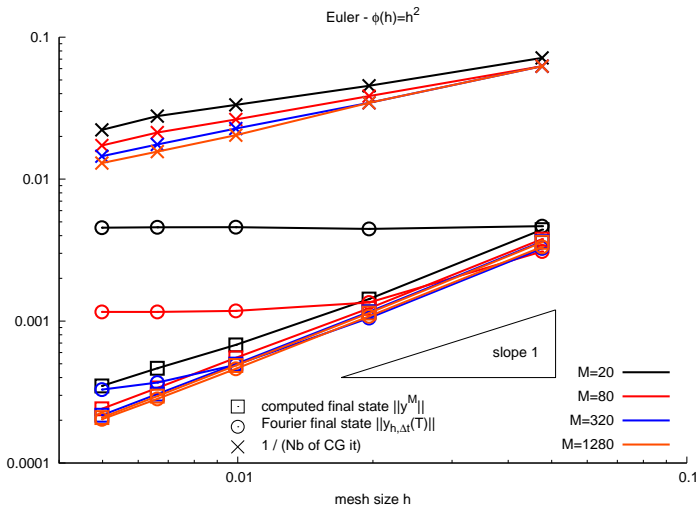
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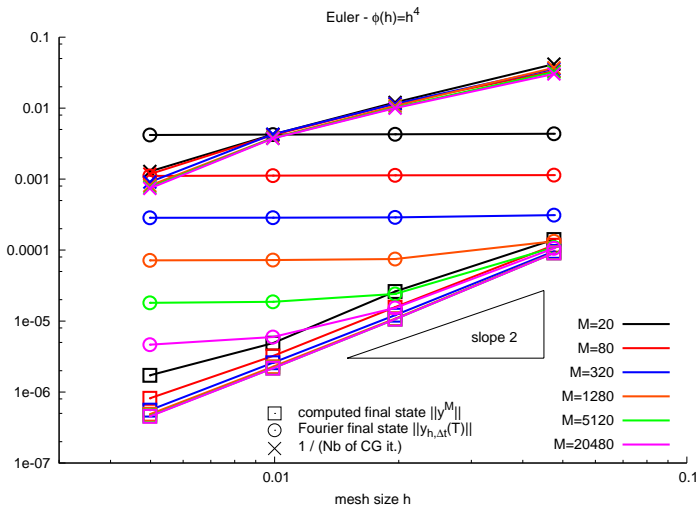
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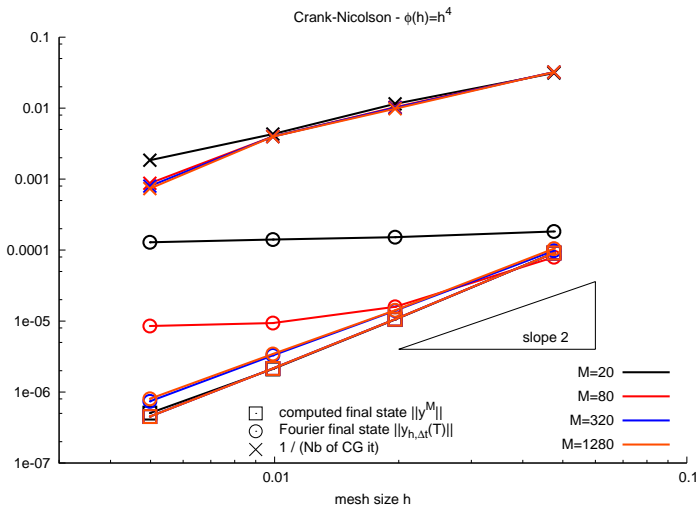
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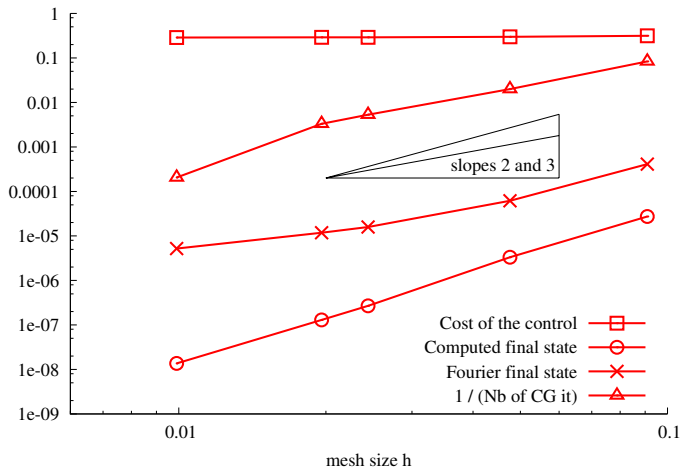
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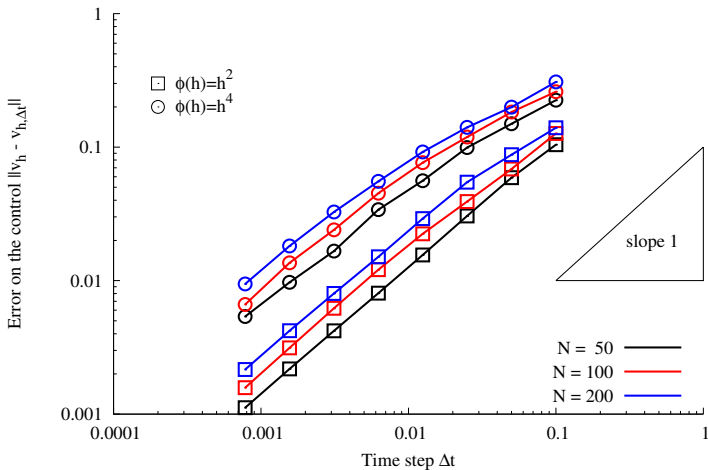
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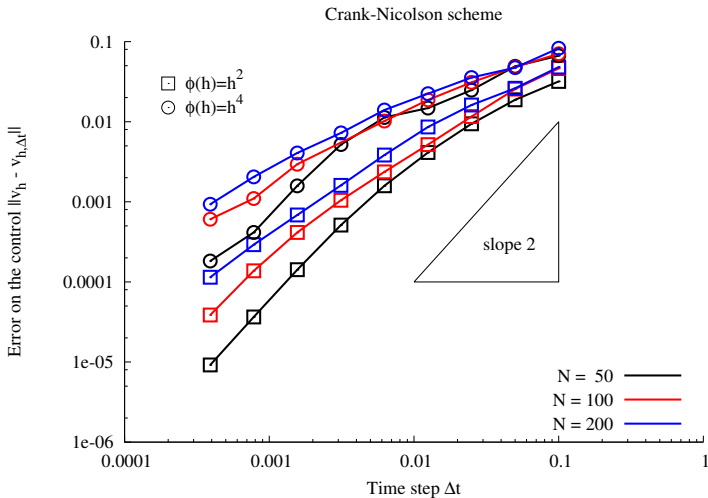
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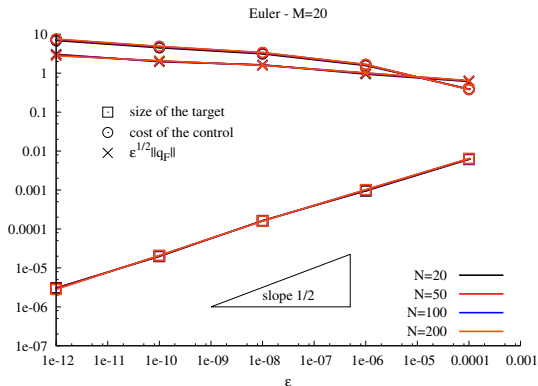
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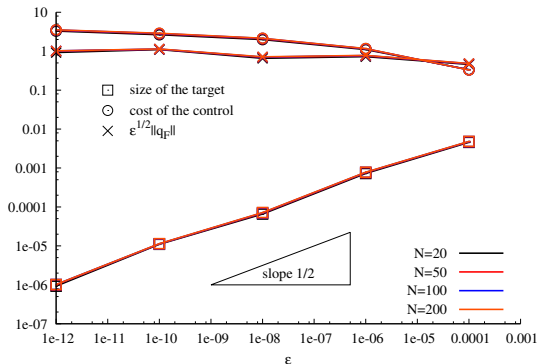
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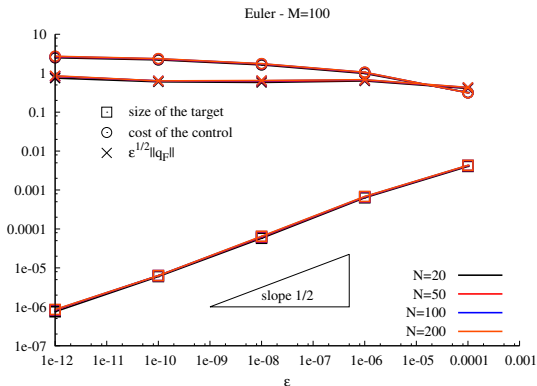
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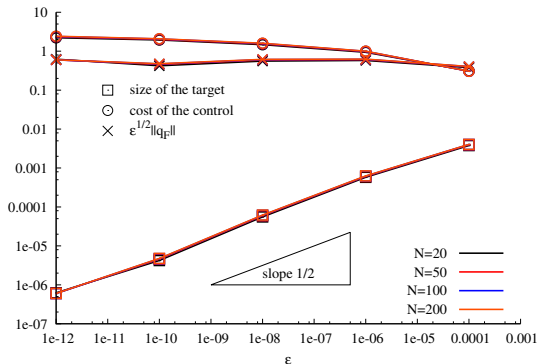
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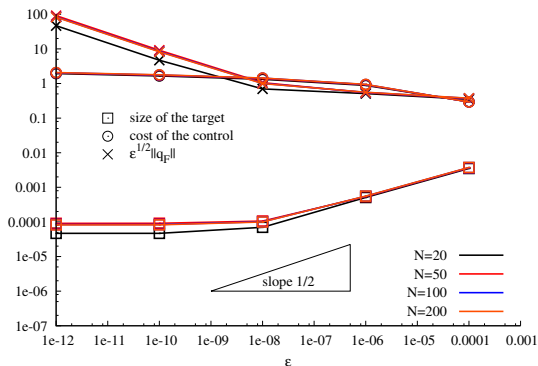
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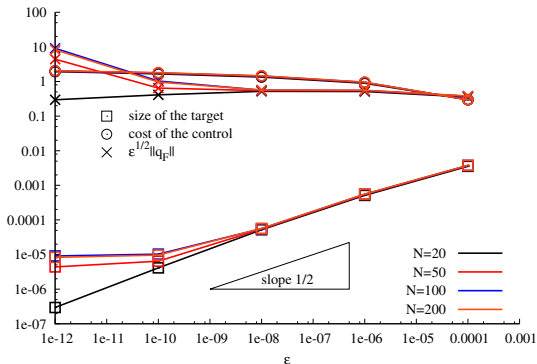
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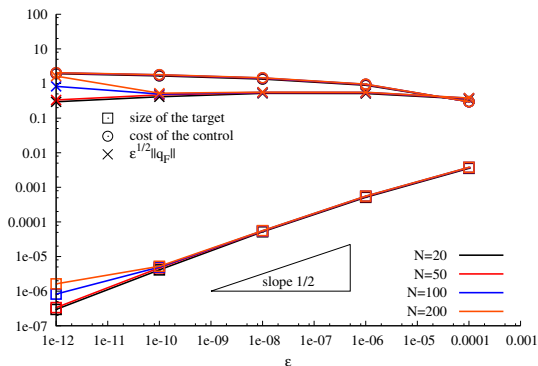
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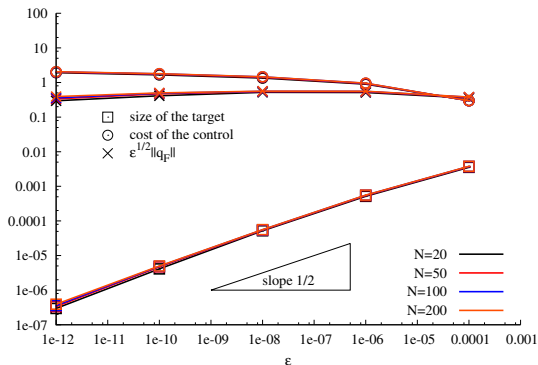
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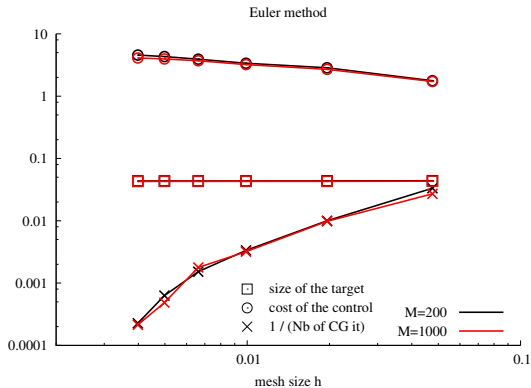
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- Analysis of uniform controllability properties with respect to  $\delta t$  and  $h$  for full discrete problems.
  - Elliptic Discrete Carleman estimates
  - Optimal relaxed observability inequalities.
  - Error analysis in time.
- We may use numerical simulations to investigate open problems.

## PERSPECTIVES

- Extend our analysis to other cases
  - Time variable coefficients.
  - Non symmetric scalar operators.
  - Systems.
  - Semi-linear problems.
  - Boundary control problems.
  - **Main tool** : Semi-discrete parabolic Carleman estimates.
- From a numerical point of view
  - Analysis for other numerical schemes (Finite Volumes, Finite Elements, ...)
  - A deeper understanding of the structure of the HUM operator should lead to reasonable preconditioning methods.
  - Is there more suitable solvers than standard Conjugate Gradient ?

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$$0 = \sum_{n=1}^M \delta t [\mathcal{B}_h^* q_{opt,\delta t}^n, \mathcal{B}_h^* \tilde{q}^n]_h + \phi(h) \langle q_{opt,\delta t}^F, \tilde{q}^F \rangle_h + \langle y_0, \tilde{q}^1 \rangle_h,$$

for any  $\tilde{q}^F \in E_h$ .



$$\int_0^T [\mathcal{B}_h^* q_{opt}(t), \mathcal{B}_h^* \tilde{q}(t)]_h dt + \phi(h) \langle q_{opt}^F, \tilde{q}^F \rangle_h + \langle y_0, \tilde{q}(0) \rangle_h = 0,$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^M \delta t \left[ \mathcal{B}_h^* q_{opt, \delta t}^n, \mathcal{B}_h^* \tilde{q}^n \right]_h + \phi(h) \langle q_{opt, \delta t}^F, \tilde{q}^F \rangle_h + \langle y_0, \tilde{q}^1 \rangle_h$$

$$= 0,$$

$$\int_0^T [\mathcal{B}_h^* q_{opt}(t), \mathcal{B}_h^* \tilde{q}(t)]_h dt + \phi(h) \langle q_{opt}^F, \tilde{q}^F \rangle_h + \langle y_0, \tilde{q}(0) \rangle_h = 0,$$

$$\left( \sum_{n=1}^M \delta t [\mathcal{B}_h^* q_{opt, \delta t}^n, \mathcal{B}_h^* \tilde{q}^n]_h \right) + \phi(h) \langle q_{opt, \delta t}^F, \tilde{q}^F \rangle_h + \langle y_0, \tilde{q}^1 \rangle_h = 0,$$

### TRANSFORMATION OF THESE EQUATIONS

$$\begin{aligned} \delta t [\mathcal{B}_h^* q_{opt, \delta t}^n, \mathcal{B}_h^* \tilde{q}^n]_h &= \int_{t^{n-1}}^{t^n} [\mathcal{F}_0[v_{h, \delta t}](t), \mathcal{B}_h^*(\mathcal{F}_0[\tilde{q}_{\delta t}](t))]_h dt \\ &= \int_{t^{n-1}}^{t^n} [\mathcal{F}_0[v_{h, \delta t}](t), \mathcal{B}_h^* \tilde{q}(t)]_h dt + \int_{t^{n-1}}^{t^n} [\mathcal{F}_0[v_{h, \delta t}](t), \mathcal{B}_h^*(\mathcal{F}_0[\tilde{q}_{\delta t}](t) - \tilde{q}(t))]_h dt. \end{aligned}$$

$$\int_0^T [\mathcal{B}_h^* q_{opt}(t), \mathcal{B}_h^* \tilde{q}(t)]_h dt + \phi(h) \langle q_{opt}^F, \tilde{q}^F \rangle_h + \langle y_0, \tilde{q}(0) \rangle_h = 0,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^T [\mathcal{F}_0[v_{h,\delta t}](t), \mathcal{B}_h^* \tilde{q}(t)]_h dt + \phi(h) \langle q_{opt,\delta t}^F, \tilde{q}^F \rangle_h + \langle y_0, \tilde{q}^1 \rangle_h \\ = - \int_0^T [\mathcal{F}_0[v_{h,\delta t}](t), \mathcal{B}_h^* (\mathcal{F}_0[\tilde{q}_{\delta t}](t) - \tilde{q}(t))]_h dt, \end{aligned}$$

$$\int_0^T [\mathcal{B}_h^* q_{opt}(t), \mathcal{B}_h^* \tilde{q}(t)]_h dt + \phi(h) \langle q_{opt}^F, \tilde{q}^F \rangle_h + \langle y_0, \tilde{q}(0) \rangle_h = 0,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^T [\mathcal{F}_0[v_{h,\delta t}](t), \mathcal{B}_h^* \tilde{q}(t)]_h dt + \phi(h) \langle q_{opt,\delta t}^F, \tilde{q}^F \rangle_h + \langle y_0, \tilde{q}^1 \rangle_h \\ = - \int_0^T [\mathcal{F}_0[v_{h,\delta t}](t), \mathcal{B}_h^* (\mathcal{F}_0[\tilde{q}_{\delta t}](t) - \tilde{q}(t))]_h dt, \end{aligned}$$

TRANSFORMATION OF THESE EQUATIONS

$$\tilde{q}^1 = \tilde{q}(0) + (\tilde{q}^1 - \tilde{q}(0))$$

$$\int_0^T [\mathcal{B}_h^* q_{opt}(t), \mathcal{B}_h^* \tilde{q}(t)]_h dt + \phi(h) \langle q_{opt}^F, \tilde{q}^F \rangle_h + \langle y_0, \tilde{q}(0) \rangle_h = 0,$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^T [\mathcal{F}_0[v_{h,\delta t}](t), \mathcal{B}_h^* \tilde{q}(t)]_h dt + \phi(h) \langle q_{opt,\delta t}^F, \tilde{q}^F \rangle_h + \langle y_0, \tilde{q}(0) \rangle_h \\ &= - \int_0^T [\mathcal{F}_0[v_{h,\delta t}](t), \mathcal{B}_h^* (\mathcal{F}_0[\tilde{q}_{\delta t}](t) - \tilde{q}(t))]_h dt - \langle y_0, \tilde{q}^1 - \tilde{q}(0) \rangle_h, \end{aligned}$$

$$\int_0^T [\mathcal{B}_h^* q_{opt}(t), \mathcal{B}_h^* \tilde{q}(t)]_h dt + \phi(h) \langle q_{opt}^F, \tilde{q}^F \rangle_h + \langle y_0, \tilde{q}(0) \rangle_h = 0,$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^T [\mathcal{F}_0[v_{h,\delta t}](t), \mathcal{B}_h^* \tilde{q}(t)]_h dt + \phi(h) \langle q_{opt,\delta t}^F, \tilde{q}^F \rangle_h + \langle y_0, \tilde{q}(0) \rangle_h \\ &= - \int_0^T [\mathcal{F}_0[v_{h,\delta t}](t), \mathcal{B}_h^* (\mathcal{F}_0[\tilde{q}_{\delta t}](t) - \tilde{q}(t))]_h dt - \langle y_0, \tilde{q}^1 - \tilde{q}(0) \rangle_h, \end{aligned}$$

## SUBTRACTION OF THE EQUATIONS

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^T [\mathcal{B}_h^* q_{opt}(t) - \mathcal{F}_0[v_{h,\delta t}](t), \mathcal{B}_h^* \tilde{q}(t)]_h dt + \phi(h) \langle q_{opt}^F - q_{opt,\delta t}^F, \tilde{q}^F \rangle_h \\ &= \int_0^T [\mathcal{F}_0[v_{h,\delta t}](t), \mathcal{B}_h^* (\mathcal{F}_0[\tilde{q}_{\delta t}](t) - \tilde{q}(t))]_h dt + \langle y_0, \tilde{q}^1 - \tilde{q}(0) \rangle_h, \end{aligned}$$

$\rightsquigarrow$  Now we choose  $\tilde{q}^F = q_{opt}^F - q_{opt,\delta t}^F$ , so that  $\tilde{q}(t) = q_{opt}(t) - \underline{q}(t)$  and then

$$\mathcal{B}_h^* \tilde{q}(t) = \left( \mathcal{B}_h^* q_{opt}(t) - \mathcal{F}_0[v_{h,\delta t}](t) \right) + \mathcal{B}_h^* \left( \mathcal{F}_0[q_{opt,\delta t}](t) - \underline{q}(t) \right).$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_0^T \left\| v(t) - \mathcal{F}_0[v_{h,\delta t}](t) \right\|_h^2 dt + \phi(h) \left\| q_{opt}^F - q_{opt,\delta t}^F \right\|_h^2 \\
&= \int_0^T \left[ \mathcal{F}_0[v_{h,\delta t}](t), \mathcal{B}_h^* (\mathcal{F}_0[\tilde{q}_{\delta t}](t) - \tilde{q}(t)) \right]_h dt + \left\langle y_0, \tilde{q}^1 - \tilde{q}(0) \right\rangle_h \\
&\quad - \int_0^T \left[ v(t) - \mathcal{F}_0[v_{h,\delta t}](t), \mathcal{B}_h^* (\mathcal{F}_0[q_{opt,\delta t}](t) - \underline{q}(t)) \right]_h dt.
\end{aligned}$$

- The **error** terms are estimated as follows by usual parabolic techniques :

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_0^T \left\| \mathcal{B}_h^* (\mathcal{F}_0[\tilde{q}_{\delta t}](t) - \tilde{q}(t)) \right\|_h^2 dt \leq C \int_0^T \left\| \mathcal{F}_0[\tilde{q}_{\delta t}](t) - \tilde{q}(t) \right\|_h^2 dt \\
&\leq C \left( \delta t^2 \left\| \mathcal{A}_h^{\frac{1}{2}} \tilde{q}^F \right\|_h^2 + \delta t^5 \left\| \mathcal{A}_h^2 \tilde{q}^F \right\|_h^2 \right) \leq C \delta t^2 \left\| \tilde{q}^F \right\|_h^2 \rho_h (1 + \rho_h^3)
\end{aligned}$$

- We conclude by using Cauchy-Schwarz inequality.