

An Insensitizing control problem involving tangential gradient terms for a reaction-diffusion equation with dynamic boundary conditions

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Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ ($d = 2$ or $d = 3$) be a bounded domain with smooth boundary Γ . Consider the following problem

$$\begin{cases} L(y) + |y|^{p-1}y = f + \mathbb{1}_\omega v & \text{in } Q := \Omega \times (0, T), \\ L_\Gamma(y, y_\Gamma) + |y_\Gamma|^{q-1}y_\Gamma = f_\Gamma & \text{on } \Sigma := \partial\Omega \times (0, T), \\ y|_\Gamma = y_\Gamma & \text{on } \Sigma, \\ y(\cdot, 0) = y^0 + \tau_1 \hat{y}^0 & \text{in } \Omega, \\ y_\Gamma(\cdot, 0) = y_\Gamma^0 + \tau_2 \hat{y}_\Gamma^0 & \text{on } \Gamma \end{cases}$$

where

- $L(y) := \partial_t y - \Delta y + Ry$,
- $L_\Gamma(y, y_\Gamma) := \partial_t y_\Gamma + \partial_\nu y - \Delta_\Gamma y_\Gamma + R_\Gamma y_\Gamma$,
- ∂_ν is the outward normal derivative operator,
- Δ_Γ is the Laplace-Beltrami operator acting on Γ .

Given $\mathcal{O} \subseteq \Omega$ and $\mathcal{G} \subseteq \Gamma$ be two nonempty open subsets, we define the sentinel

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(y, y_\Gamma) := & \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T \int_{\mathcal{O}} |y(x, t; \tau_1, \tau_2, v)|^2 dx dt \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T \int_{\mathcal{G}} |\nabla_\Gamma y_\Gamma(x, t; \tau_1, \tau_2, v)|^2 dS dt \end{aligned}$$

Definition (Insensitizing controls)

We say that a control $v \in L^2(\omega \times (0, T))$ insensitizes Φ iff

$$\frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial \tau_1} \Big|_{\tau_1 = \tau_2 = 0} = \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial \tau_2} \Big|_{\tau_1 = \tau_2 = 0} = 0 \quad \forall (\hat{y}^0, \hat{y}_\Gamma^0) \in L^2(\Omega) \times L^2(\Gamma),$$

with $\|(\hat{y}^0, \hat{y}_\Gamma^0)\|_{L^2(\Omega) \times L^2(\Gamma)} = 1$.

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- For $1 \leq p \leq +\infty$, we define

$$\mathbb{L}^p := L^p(\Omega) \times L^p(\Gamma),$$

endowed by its natural norm.

- For $k \in \mathbb{N}$, we introduce the space

$$\mathbb{H}^k := \{(y, y_\Gamma) \in H^k(\Omega) \times H^k(\Gamma) : y|_\Gamma = y_\Gamma\},$$

where $H^k(\Omega)$ and $H^k(\Gamma)$ are the usual Sobolev spaces in Ω and Γ , respectively.

- For $T > 0$, we define

$$\mathbb{E} := H^1(0, T; \mathbb{L}^2) \cap L^2(0, T; \mathbb{H}^2)$$

and

$$\mathbb{D} := C^0([0, T]; \mathbb{H}^1) \cap L^2(0, T; \mathbb{H}^2).$$

Assumptions

(H1) $\omega \in \Omega$, $\mathcal{O} \subset \Omega$ are open sets s.t. $\omega \cap \mathcal{O} \neq \emptyset$ and $\mathcal{G} \subseteq \Gamma$ is an arbitrary open set.

(H2) p and q satisfy:

- If $d = 2$, then $\frac{5}{2} < p, q < +\infty$.
- If $d = 3$, then $\frac{5}{2} < p, q \leq 4$.

Theorem (Existence of insensitizing controls)

Assume that $d = 2$ or $d = 3$ and suppose that **(H1)** and **(H2)** hold. Moreover, $(y^0, y_\Gamma^0) = (0, 0)$. Then, there exist constants $M_1 > 0$ and $\delta > 0$ such that for any $(f, f_\Gamma) \in L^2(0, T; \mathbb{L}^2)$ satisfying

$$\|e^{\frac{M_1}{\tau}} (f, f_\Gamma)\|_{L^2(0, T; \mathbb{L}^2)} \leq \delta,$$

there is a control $v \in L^2(Q_\omega)$ that *insensitizes* Φ .^a

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Our problem is equivalent to find a control $v \in L^2(\omega \times (0, T))$ such that the solution of the coupled system

$$\begin{cases} L(y) + |y|^{p-1}y = f + \mathbb{1}_\omega v & \text{in } Q, \\ L_\Gamma(y, y_\Gamma) + |y_\Gamma|^{q-1}y_\Gamma = f_\Gamma & \text{on } \Sigma, \\ y|_\Gamma = y_\Gamma & \text{on } \Sigma, \\ (y(\cdot, 0), y_\Gamma(\cdot, 0)) = (y^0, y_\Gamma^0) & \text{in } \Omega \times \Gamma, \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{cases} L^*(z) + p|y|^{p-2}yz = \mathbb{1}_\omega y & \text{in } Q, \\ L_\Gamma^*(z, z_\Gamma) + q|y_\Gamma|^{q-2}y_\Gamma z_\Gamma = \nabla_\Gamma \cdot (\mathbb{1}_\mathcal{G} \nabla_\Gamma y_\Gamma) & \text{on } \Sigma, \\ z|_\Gamma = z_\Gamma & \text{on } \Sigma, \\ (z(\cdot, T), z_\Gamma(\cdot, T)) = (0, 0) & \text{in } \Omega \times \Gamma. \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

satisfies

$$(z, z_\Gamma)(\cdot, 0) = (0, 0) \quad \text{in } \Omega \times \Gamma.$$

To do this, we will use a local inverse mapping theorem in Banach spaces. Thus, we shall consider a linear system of the form

$$\begin{cases} L(y) = f^0 + \mathbb{1}_\omega v & \text{in } Q, \\ L(y, y_\Gamma) = f_\Gamma^0 & \text{on } \Sigma, \\ y|_\Gamma = y_\Gamma & \text{on } \Sigma, \\ (y(\cdot, 0), y_\Gamma(\cdot, 0)) = (y^0, y_\Gamma^0) & \text{in } \Omega \times \Gamma, \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} L^*(z) = f^1 + \mathbb{1}_\omega y & \text{in } Q, \\ L_\Gamma^*(z, z_\Gamma) = f_\Gamma^1 + \nabla_\Gamma \cdot (\mathbb{1}_\mathcal{G} \nabla_\Gamma y_\Gamma) & \text{on } \Sigma, \\ z|_\Gamma = z_\Gamma & \text{on } \Sigma, \\ (z(\cdot, T), z_\Gamma(\cdot, T)) = (0, 0) & \text{in } \Omega \times \Gamma, \end{cases}$$

and study the null controllability of this system.

- By duality, the (relaxed) null controllability is equivalent to proving a suitable **observability inequality** for the corresponding adjoint system.
- Such observability inequality can be proved using **Carleman estimates**.
- With this estimate at hand, we can characterize the null controllability using classical methods.
- After that, using a suitable **Local Inverse Mapping Theorem**, we can deduce the existence of insensitizing controls for our problem.

We introduce the adjoint system

$$\begin{cases} L(\psi) = g^1 & \text{in } Q, \\ L_\Gamma(\psi, \psi_\Gamma) = g_\Gamma^1 & \text{on } \Sigma, \\ \psi|_\Gamma = \psi_\Gamma & \text{on } \Sigma, \\ (\psi(\cdot, 0), \psi_\Gamma(\cdot, 0)) = (\psi^0, \psi_\Gamma^0) & \text{in } \Omega \times \Gamma, \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} L^*(\varphi) = g^0 + \mathbb{1} \circ \psi & \text{in } Q, \\ L_\Gamma^*(\varphi, \varphi_\Gamma) = g_\Gamma^0 + \nabla_\Gamma \cdot (\mathbb{1}_G \nabla_\Gamma \psi_\Gamma) & \text{in } \Sigma \\ \varphi|_\Gamma = \varphi_\Gamma & \text{on } \Sigma, \\ (\varphi(\cdot, T), \varphi_\Gamma(\cdot, T)) = (0, 0) & \text{in } \Omega \times \Gamma. \end{cases}$$

Then, the main task is to prove an **observability inequality** of the form

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \iint_Q \rho_1 (|\varphi|^2 + |\nabla\varphi|^2 + |\psi|^2 + |\nabla\psi|^2) dx dt \\
 & + \iint_\Sigma \rho_2 (|\varphi_\Gamma|^2 + |\nabla_\Gamma\varphi_\Gamma|^2 + |\psi_\Gamma|^2 + |\nabla_\Gamma\psi_\Gamma|^2) dS dt \\
 & \leq C \iint_Q \rho_3 (|g^0|^2 + |g^1|^2) dx dt + C \iint_\Sigma \rho_4 (|g_\Gamma^0|^2 + |g_\Gamma^1|^2) dS dt \\
 & + C \iint_{Q_\omega} \rho_5 |\varphi|^2 dx dt,
 \end{aligned}$$

where ρ_i ($i = 1, \dots, 5$) are weight functions which blow up at $t = 0$ and $C > 0$ only depends on $\Omega, \omega, \mathcal{O}, \mathcal{G}$ and T .

A sketch of the proof

- The functions ρ_i ($i = 1, \dots, 5$) are related to the Carleman estimates in \mathbb{L}^2 and $(\mathbb{H}^1)'$ obtained by L. Maniar et. al.^{a b}
- The associated weight functions are based on those used for the heat equation with Dirichlet boundary conditions by Fursikov and Imanuvilov.
- We combine the estimates and absorb the lower-order terms. After that, we eliminate the singularities of the weight functions at $t = T$ and deduce the desired observability inequality.
- Thus, we can deduce a null controllability result for the linear controlled problem in a suitable space $\mathcal{C}_{p,q}$.

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Consider the operator $\mathcal{A} : \mathcal{C}_{p,q} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_2$ defined by

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{A}(y, y_\Gamma, z, z_\Gamma, v) \\ & := (L(y) + |y|^{p-1}y - f - \mathbb{1}_\omega v, L_\Gamma(y, y_\Gamma) + |y_\Gamma|^{q-1}y_\Gamma - f_\Gamma, \\ & \quad L^*(z) + p|y|^{p-2}yz - \mathbb{1}_O y, L_\Gamma^*(z, z_\Gamma) + q|y_\Gamma|^{q-2}y_\Gamma z_\Gamma - \nabla_\Gamma \cdot (\mathbb{1}_G \nabla_\Gamma y_\Gamma), \\ & \quad y(\cdot, 0), y_\Gamma(\cdot, 0), z(\cdot, T), z_\Gamma(\cdot, T)) \end{aligned}$$

Then, it is sufficient to check the following two assertions:

- (a) The mapping $\mathcal{A}'(0, 0, 0, 0, 0) : \mathcal{C}_{p,q} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_2$ is surjective,
 (Strongly related with the null controllability of the linear system.)
- (b) \mathcal{A} is an operator of class C^1 from $\mathcal{C}_{p,q}$ to \mathcal{B}_2 .
 We use the fact that $\mathbb{D} \hookrightarrow L^8(0, T; \mathbb{L}^8)$ continuously and **(H2)**.

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