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# Observability of Stochastic Evolution Equations in Infinite Dimensions

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## Observed stochastic linear systems

- $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{F}, \mathbb{P})$  filtered probability space.
- $(W(t))_{t \geq 0}$  one dimensional Brownian motion.
- $A : D(A) \subset H \rightarrow H$  a generator of a  $\mathcal{C}_0$ -semigroup  $(T(t))_{t \geq 0}$  on a Hilbert space  $H$ .
- $\mathcal{M} : H \rightarrow H$  is a linear bounded operator.
- $C \in \mathcal{L}(D(A), Y)$  is the observation operator (not necessary closed).

For any  $\xi \in L^2_{\mathcal{F}_0}(\Omega, H)$ , consider the observed stochastic linear system:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{X}(t) = AX(t) + \mathcal{M}(X(t))dW(t), & X(0) = \xi, \quad t \geq 0, \\ Y(t) = CX(t), & t \geq 0. \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

## Observed stochastic linear systems

☞ The mild solution of system (1):

$$X(t) = T(t)\xi + \int_0^t T(t-s)\mathcal{M}(X(s))dW(s) \in H, \quad \mathbb{P} - \text{a.s},$$

for any  $t \geq 0$  and  $\xi \in L_{\mathcal{F}_0}^2(\Omega, H)$ .

☞ First problem

- For any  $\xi \in L_{\mathcal{F}_0}^2(\Omega, H)$ , how to give a sense to the following process

$$\begin{aligned} Y(t) &= CX(t) \\ &= CT(t)\xi + C \int_0^t T(t-s)\mathcal{M}(X(s))dW(s). \end{aligned}$$

## Main Assumption

- Assume that  $(C, A)$  is admissible, i.e, for some  $\tau > 0$ , there exists a constant  $\gamma := \gamma(\tau) > 0$

$$\int_0^\tau \|CT(t)x\|^2 dt \leq \gamma^2 \|x\|^2, \quad \forall x \in D(A).$$

Yosida extension: (Weiss 1989)

We can associate with each  $C \in \mathcal{L}(D(A), Y)$ , the operator

$$D(C_\Lambda) := \left\{ x \in H : \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow +\infty} C\lambda R(\lambda, A)x \text{ exists in } Y \right\},$$
$$C_\Lambda x := \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow +\infty} C\lambda R(\lambda, A)x.$$

where  $R(\lambda, A) := (\lambda I - A)^{-1}$  and  $\lambda \in \rho(A)$ .

## Observed stochastic Linear systems

The stochastic version of Weiss's result

Assume that  $(C, A)$  is admissible. Then

- For  $\xi \in L^2_{\mathcal{F}_0}(\Omega, H)$ ,  $T(t)\xi \in D(C_\Lambda)$ , a.e. $t > 0$ ,  $\mathbb{P}$  – a.s.
- For  $\alpha > 0$ , there exists  $\kappa > 0$  such that

$$\mathbb{E} \int_0^\alpha \|C_\Lambda T(t)\xi\|_Y^2 dt \leq \kappa^2 \mathbb{E}\|\xi\|^2, \quad \xi \in L^2_{\mathcal{F}_0}(\Omega, H).$$

- We replace the term  $CT(t)\xi$  for  $\xi \in L^2_{\mathcal{F}_0}(\Omega, H)$  by  $C_\Lambda T(t)\xi$ .

## Main Result

Proposition: Hadd-L 2021

Assume that **(C, A)** is admissible. Then for any  $\alpha > 0$  and  $\zeta \in L^2_{\mathbb{F}}([0, \alpha]; H)$ , we have for some constant  $\gamma := \gamma(\alpha) > 0$

$$(T \diamond \zeta)(t) := \int_0^t T(t-s)\zeta(s)dW(s) \in D(C_\Lambda) \quad \text{a.e. } t \geq 0, \quad \mathbb{P} - \text{a.s., and}$$

$$\mathbb{E} \int_0^\alpha \|C_\Lambda(T \diamond \zeta)(t)\|_Y^2 dt \leq \gamma^2 \mathbb{E} \int_0^\alpha \|\zeta(s)\|_H^2 ds.$$

 **Consequence:**  $X(t) \in D(C_\Lambda)$ , a.e  $t \geq 0$ ,  $\mathbb{P} - \text{a.s.}$ , and there is a constant  $c_\alpha > 0$ ,

$$\mathbb{E} \int_0^\alpha \|C_\Lambda X(t)\|_Y^2 dt \leq c_\alpha^2 \mathbb{E} \|\xi\|_H^2, \quad \forall \xi \in L^2_{\mathcal{F}_0}(\Omega; H).$$

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## Observed Stochastic Semilinear Systems

For  $\xi \in L^2_{\mathcal{F}_0}(\Omega, H)$ . Consider the following observation semilinear system

$$\begin{cases} dX(t) = (AX(t) + G(X(t)))dt + F(X(t))dW(t), & X(0) = \xi, \quad t \geq 0, \\ Y(t) = CX(t), & t \geq 0, \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

where  $C \in \mathcal{L}(D(A), Y)$  and  $G, F : H \rightarrow H$  satisfying

$$\|G(x) - G(y)\| + \|F(x) - F(y)\| \leq L\|x - y\| \quad \forall x, y \in H, \quad (3)$$

for  $L > 0$ .

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Under (3), there exists  $X(\cdot) \in C_{\mathbb{F}}(0, +\infty; L^2(\Omega, H))$  such that

$$X(t) = T(t)\xi + \int_0^t T(t-s)G(X(s))ds + \int_0^t T(t-s)F(X(s))dW(s).$$

## Observed stochastic semilinear systems

☞ The problem is

- For any  $\xi \in L^2_{\mathcal{F}_0}(\Omega, H)$ , how to give a sense to the following process

$$Y(t) = CT(t)\xi + C \int_0^t T(t-s)G(X(s))ds + C \int_0^t T(t-s)F(X(s))dW(s).$$

Theorem (Hadd, L 2021)

Let  $(C, A)$  be admissible and condition (3) be satisfied. Then the semilinear stochastic system (2) is well-posed, i.e.,  $X(t; \xi) \in D(C_A)$  for a.e.  $t > 0$  and  $\mathbb{P}$ -a.s and

$$\mathbb{E} \int_0^\alpha \|C_A(X(t; \xi_1) - X(t; \xi_2))\|_Y^2 dt \leq c^2 \mathbb{E} \|\xi_1 - \xi_2\|^2, \quad \xi_1, \xi_2 \in L^2_{\mathcal{F}_0}(\Omega, H).$$

## Observed stochastic semilinear systems

For the well-posedness we use Yosida extensions

Let the condition (3) be satisfied, and  $(C, A)$  admissible. Then

- (i) The mild solution of the system (2) satisfies for all  $\xi \in L^2_{\mathcal{F}_0}(\Omega, H)$

$$X(t, \xi) \in D(C_\Lambda), \quad \text{for a.e., } t > 0, \mathbb{P} - \text{a.s.}$$

- (ii) For any  $\xi_1, \xi_2 \in L^2_{\mathcal{F}_0}(\Omega, H)$ , there is  $v_\alpha > 0$

$$\mathbb{E}\|X(t, \xi_1) - X(t, \xi_2)\|_H^2 \leq v_\alpha \mathbb{E}\|\xi_1 - \xi_2\|_H^2, \quad t \in [0, \alpha].$$

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(iii) For a constant  $\delta := \delta(\gamma, \alpha, L, v_\alpha)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \mathbb{E} \int_0^\alpha \|C_\Lambda(X(t, \xi_1) - X(t, \xi_2))\|_Y^2 dt \leq 3\gamma^2 \mathbb{E} \|\xi_1 - \xi_2\|_H^2 \\
 & + 3\gamma^2 \alpha \mathbb{E} \int_0^\alpha \|G(X(s, \xi_1)) - G(X(s, \xi_2))\|_H^2 ds \\
 & + 3\gamma^2 \mathbb{E} \int_0^\alpha \|F(X(s, \xi_1)) - F(X(s, \xi_2))\|_H^2 ds \\
 & \leq \delta^2 \mathbb{E} \|\xi_1 - \xi_2\|_H^2
 \end{aligned}$$

 **Remark:** This well-posedness establishes a foundation for further investigations into the exact observability properties of the said system.

## Contribution IV: Main Result

### Definition: Stochastic case

Let  $(C, A)$  be admissible. For some  $\tau > 0$ , we say that the system (2) is  $\tau$ -exactly observable if there exists a constant  $\kappa_\tau > 0$  such that for any  $\xi_1, \xi_2 \in L^2_{\mathcal{F}_0}(\Omega, H)$ ,

$$\|C_A X(\cdot; \xi_1) - C_A X(\cdot; \xi_2)\|_{L^2_{\mathbb{F}}(0, \tau; Y)} \geq \kappa_\tau \|\xi_1 - \xi_2\|_{L^2_{\mathcal{F}_0}(\Omega, H)}.$$

### Theorem: Hadd, L 2021

Assume that the condition (3) is satisfied and the pair  $(C, A)$  is  $\tau$ -exactly observable for some  $\tau > 0$ , i.e., there exists a constant  $\gamma_\tau > 0$  such that

$$\int_0^\tau \|CT(t)x\|_Y^2 dt \geq \gamma_\tau^2 \|x\|^2, \quad \forall x \in D(A).$$

Then there exists a constant  $\Theta_\tau > 0$  such that the stochastic semilinear system (2) is  $\tau$ -exactly observable, whenever the Lipschitz constant  $L < \Theta_\tau$ .

## Contribution IV: Main Result

### Sketch of proof

- Let  $\xi_1, \xi_2 \in L^2_{\mathcal{F}_0}(\Omega, H)$ , then there exists  $\delta_\tau > 0$  such that

$$\mathbb{E} \int_0^\tau \|C_\Lambda T(t)(\xi_1 - \xi_2)\|_{\mathcal{Y}}^2 dt \geq \delta_\tau^2 \mathbb{E} \|\xi_1 - \xi_2\|_H^2.$$

- If we denote by

$$\mathbb{K}_t(X(\cdot; \xi)) := \int_0^t T(t-s)G(X(s))ds + \int_0^t T(t-s)F(X(s))dW(s).$$

Then for any  $\xi_1, \xi_2 \in L^2_{\mathcal{F}_0}(\Omega, H)$ , we obtain for a constant  $a_\tau^2 := 2\gamma^2 v_\tau(\tau^2 + \tau)$

$$\mathbb{E} \int_0^\tau \|C_\Lambda (\mathbb{K}_t(X(\cdot; \xi_1)) - \mathbb{K}_t(X(\cdot; \xi_2)))\|_{\mathcal{Y}}^2 dt \leq a_\tau^2 L^2 \mathbb{E} \|\xi_1 - \xi_2\|_H^2.$$

## Contribution III: Main Result

- Moreover, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbb{E} \int_0^\tau \|C_\Lambda X(t, \xi_1) - C_\Lambda X(t, \xi_2)\|_Y^2 dt &\geq \mathbb{E} \int_0^\tau \|C_\Lambda T(t)(\xi_1 - \xi_2)\|_Y^2 dt \\
 &\quad - \mathbb{E} \int_0^\tau \|C_\Lambda (\mathbb{K}_t(X(\cdot; \xi_1)) - \mathbb{K}_t(X(\cdot; \xi_2)))\|_{\mathcal{Y}}^2 dt \\
 &\geq (\delta_\tau^2 - a_\tau^2 L^2) \mathbb{E} \|\xi_1 - \xi_2\|_H^2 \\
 &:= h(L) \mathbb{E} \|\xi_1 - \xi_2\|_H^2.
 \end{aligned}$$

- The function  $h$  is continuous from  $\mathbb{R}^+$  to  $(-\infty, \delta_\tau^2]$  and strictly decreasing, hence it is bijective. Then there exists a unique  $\Theta_\tau > 0$  such that  $h(\Theta_\tau) = 0$ . Hence  $h(L) > 0$  whenever  $L < \Theta_\tau$ . Thus the system (2) is  $\tau$ -observable whenever  $L < \Theta_\tau$ .

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## Application to observed Schrödinger equations

☞ Let  $\mathcal{O} = (0, \pi) \times (0, \pi)$ ,  $\Gamma$  be an open nonempty set of  $\partial\mathcal{O}$ . We consider the semi-linear boundary observation Schrödinger system

$$\begin{cases} dX(t, x) = (-i\Delta X(t, x) + f(X(t, x))) dt + g(X(t, x))dW(t), & x \in \mathcal{O}, t \geq 0, \\ X(0, x) = \xi(x), & x \in \mathcal{O}, \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} X(t, x) = 0, & x \in \partial\mathcal{O}, t \geq 0, \\ Y(t, x) = X(t, x) & x \in \Gamma, t \geq 0. \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

Here,

- $H := L^2(\mathcal{O})$ ,  $Y := L^2(\Gamma)$ .

The functions  $g, f : H \rightarrow H$  satisfying for  $l > 0$

$$\|g(x) - g(y)\| + \|f(x) - f(y)\| \leq l\|x - y\| \quad \forall x, y \in H.$$

## Formulation of the Problem

☞ Define the following operators

$$\begin{aligned} A\psi &= -i\Delta\psi, & D(A) &= \left\{ \psi \in H^2(\mathcal{O}) : \frac{\partial}{\partial\nu}\psi = 0 \right\}, \\ C\psi &= \psi|_{\Gamma}, & \psi &\in D(A). \end{aligned}$$

With these notation (4) takes the following form

$$\begin{cases} dX(t) = (AX(t) + g(X(t)))dt + f(X(t))dW(t), & X(0) = \xi, \quad t \geq 0, \\ Y(t) = CX(t), & t \geq 0. \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

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### Verification of Assumptions

- The operator  $A$  is skew-adjoint and generates a strongly continuous semigroup  $\mathbb{T} := (T(t))_{t \geq 0}$  on  $H$ .
- $g, f : H \rightarrow H$  satisfy the condition (3).
- There is exist  $\tau > 0$  and  $k_\tau > 0$  such that

$$\int_0^\tau \int_{\Gamma} \|X(t)\|^2 d\Gamma dt \geq k_\tau^2 \|\xi\|_H^2, \quad \forall \xi \in D(A).$$

 **Consequence:** The system (4) is  $\tau$ -exactly observable whenever  $l$  is small enough.

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- $\mathcal{M} \in \mathcal{L}(H)$  a linear bounded operator.
- $B \in \mathcal{L}(U, H_{-1})$  control operator, where  $(H_{-1} := \overline{H}^{\|\cdot\|_{-1}}, \quad \|x\|_{-1} = \|R(\lambda, A)x\|, \quad x \in H)$ .

For  $\xi \in L^2_{\mathcal{F}_0}(\Omega, H)$ , we consider the stochastic control linear system

$$\begin{cases} dX(t) = (AX(t) + Bu(t))dt + \mathcal{M}(X(t))dW(t), & t > 0, \\ X(0) = \xi. \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

## Stochastic systems with unbounded control operators

- For any  $t \geq 0$ , the mild solution of the stochastic linear system (6)

$$X(t) = T(t)\xi + \int_0^t T_{-1}(t-s)Bu(s)ds + \int_0^t T(t-s)\mathcal{M}(X(s))dW(s) \in H_{-1}, \quad \mathbb{P} - \text{a.s.}$$

- We define the following stochastic control maps

$$\tilde{\Phi}_t : L^2_{\mathbb{F}}(0, +\infty; U) \rightarrow L^2_{\mathcal{F}_t}(\Omega, H_{-1}), \quad \tilde{\Phi}_t u := \int_0^t T_{-1}(t-s)Bu(s)ds.$$

- If  $(A, B)$  is admissible, then

$$\tilde{\Phi}_t \in \mathcal{L}\left(L^2_{\mathbb{F}}(0, +\infty; U), L^2_{\mathcal{F}_t}(\Omega, H)\right), \quad \forall t \geq 0.$$

Theorem: Hadd, L 2021

Let  $(A, B)$  be admissible. Then there exists a unique mild solution  $X(\cdot; \xi, u) \in \mathcal{C}_{\mathbb{F}}(0, +\infty; L^2(\Omega, H))$  of (6) such that

$$X(t; \xi, u) = T(t)\xi + \int_0^t T(t-s)\mathcal{M}(X(s, \xi, 0))dW(s) + \Phi_t^W u, \quad t \geq 0,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_t^W u &= \tilde{\Phi}_t u + \int_0^t T(t-s)\mathcal{M}(\Phi_s^W u)dW(s), \quad \text{and} \\ \Phi_t^W &\in \mathcal{L}\left(L_{\mathbb{F}}^2(0, +\infty; U), L_{\mathcal{F}_t}^2(\Omega; H)\right), \quad t \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

## Open Problem: Exact controllability of stochastic control problems

- $(A, B)$  is exactly controllable on  $[0, \tau]$   $\Rightarrow$  if  $\exists \kappa_\tau > 0$  such that

$$\int_0^\tau \|B^*T^*(t)v\|^2 dt \geq \kappa_\tau^2 \|v\|^2, \quad v \in D(A^*).$$

☞ **Open problem:** If  $(A, B)$  is exactly controllable on  $[0, \tau]$ , is the stochastic control problem is exactly controllable on  $[0, \tau]$ ?

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