

Numerical Analysis of initial data identification of parabolic problems

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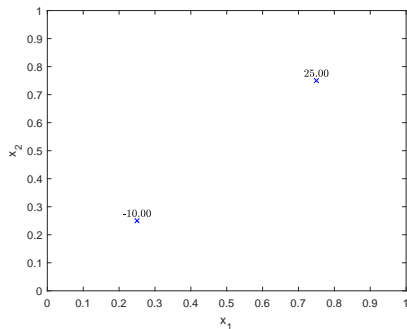
Goal:

Recover initial data u_0 from the final time observation $u(T)$



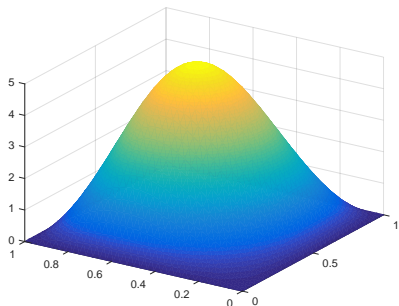
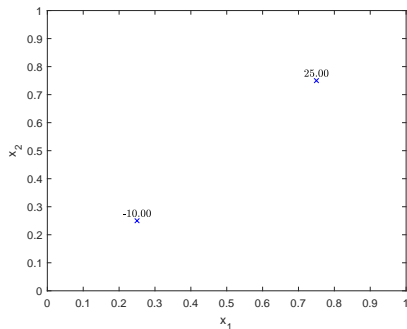
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Additional assumption

Let u_0 be sparse, i.e. $u_0 = \sum_{j=1}^M a_j \delta_{x_j}(x)$,

where $\delta_{x_j}(x)$ are delta functions, i.e. $\int_{\Omega} f(x) \delta_{x_j}(x) dx = f(x_j)$.



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Theorem

The above optimal control problem has a unique solution $\bar{q} \in \mathcal{M}(\Omega)$ and $\bar{u} \in L^r(I; W^{1,p}(\Omega))$

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In 1D, we have that $|\Omega^+|$ and $|\Omega^-|$ consist of finite number of points.



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We will also need discrete Laplacian $\Delta_h : V_h \rightarrow V_h$

$$(-\Delta_h v_h, \chi) = (\nabla v_h, \nabla \chi), \quad \forall \chi \in V_h$$

and Ritz projection $R_h : H^1 \rightarrow V_h$

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Finite element discretization in space and time

Discretization

- conformal P_1 elements in space, quasi-uniform mesh
- dG(q) in time, non-uniform time steps
- maximal time step k , maximal spacial mesh size h , no coupling.

Optimization problem

$$\text{Minimize } J(q_{kh}, u_{kh}) = \frac{1}{2} \|u_{kh}(T) - u_d\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 + \alpha \|q_{kh}\|_{\mathcal{M}},$$

subject to $q_{kh} \in M_h$ and $u_{kh} \in X_{k,h}^{p,1}$ with

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Consequences:

$$\|\bar{z}_{kh}(0)\|_{C_0(\Omega)} \leq \alpha$$

$$\text{supp } \bar{q}_{kh} \subset \{x \in \Omega : |\bar{z}_{kh}(0, x)| = \alpha\} \subset \Omega_0 \subset \subset \Omega.$$

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Theorem (Convergence rates for the state)

There exists a constant C independent of k and h such that

$$\|(\bar{u} - \bar{u}_{kh})(T)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \leq C(T) \ell_{kh} \left(k^{p+1/2} + h \right).$$

Idea of the proof

- From optimality systems: $\langle \bar{q}_{kh} - \bar{q}, \bar{z}(0) - \bar{z}_{kh}(0) \rangle \geq 0$
- Using state and adjoint equations and $\text{supp } \bar{q}, \bar{q}_{kh} \subset \Omega_0$

$$\begin{aligned} \|(\bar{u} - \bar{u}_{kh})(T)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 &\leq \langle \bar{q}_{kh} - \bar{q}, \bar{z}(0) - \hat{z}_{kh}(0) \rangle + \frac{1}{2} \|(\bar{u} - \hat{u}_{kh})(T)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 \\ &\leq C \|\bar{z}(0) - \hat{z}_{kh}(0)\|_{L^\infty(\Omega_0)} + \frac{1}{2} \|(\bar{u} - \hat{u}_{kh})(T)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2. \end{aligned}$$



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where $R_h: H_0^1(\Omega) \rightarrow V_h$ is the Ritz projection:

Definition (Ritz projection)

$$(\nabla R_h v, \nabla \chi)_\Omega = (\nabla v, \nabla \chi)_\Omega \quad \forall \chi \in V_h.$$



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By elliptic interior pointwise error estimates

Third estimate

$$|(v_k - R_h v_k)(T, x_0)| \leq C (|\ln h| \|(v_k - I_h v_k)(T)\|_{L^\infty(B_d)} + \|(v_k - R_h v_k)(T)\|_{L^2(\Omega)})$$



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Additional result

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Simple example:

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with

$$x_{0,kh} \rightarrow x_0 \quad \text{as} \quad (k, h) \rightarrow (0, 0),$$

but

$$\|\bar{q} - \bar{q}_{kh}\|_{\mathcal{M}} = 2,$$

as long as $x_{0,kh} \neq x_0$.

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Error estimates for control

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Direct consequence

$$\bar{q} = \sum_i \beta_i \delta_{x_i}$$

with

$$\beta_i > 0 \quad \text{for} \quad \bar{z}(0, x_i) = -\alpha \quad \text{and} \quad \beta_i < 0 \quad \text{for} \quad \bar{z}(0, x_i) = \alpha$$

Theorem

There are $\varepsilon > 0$, $k_0, h_0 > 0$ such that for all $k < k_0$ and $h < h_0$

1.

$$\text{supp } \bar{q}_{kh} \cap B_\varepsilon(x_i) \neq \emptyset \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, N$$

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$$\text{supp } \bar{q}_{kh} \subset \cup_i B_\varepsilon(x_i)$$



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Theorem (Error estimates for locations and coefficients)

For

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there holds

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$$\max_i |x_i - x_{i,kh}| \leq C(T) (k^{2p+1} + \ell_{kh}h)$$

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$$\max_i |\beta_i - \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} \beta_{kh,ij}| \leq C(T) (k^{2p+1} + \ell_{kh}h)$$

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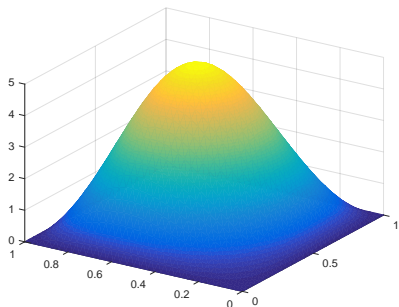
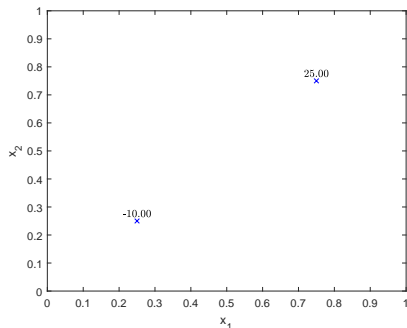
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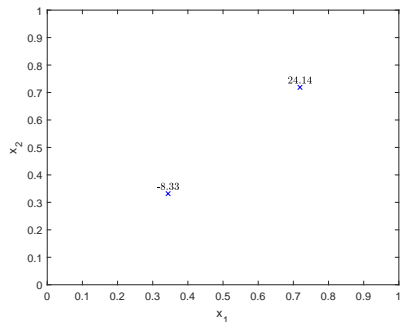
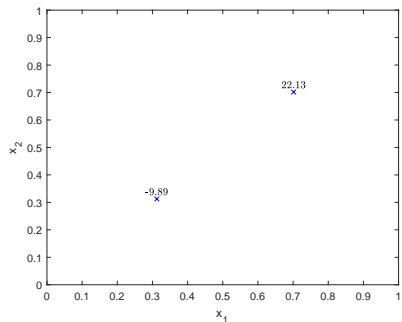
Numerical examples I

Reference initial state q^\dagger and final u_d^\dagger



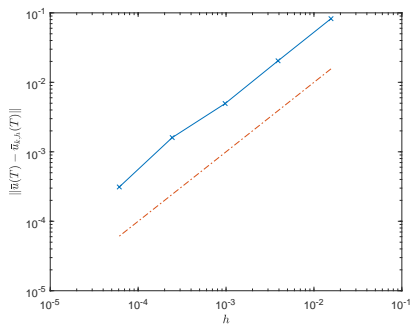
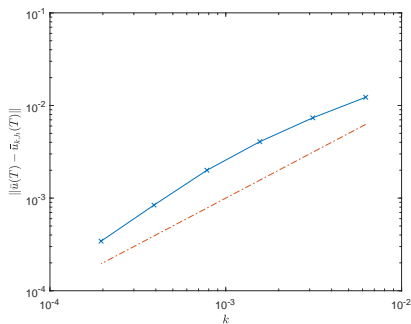
Numerical examples II

Computed initial state \bar{q}_{kh} without and with noise on u_d



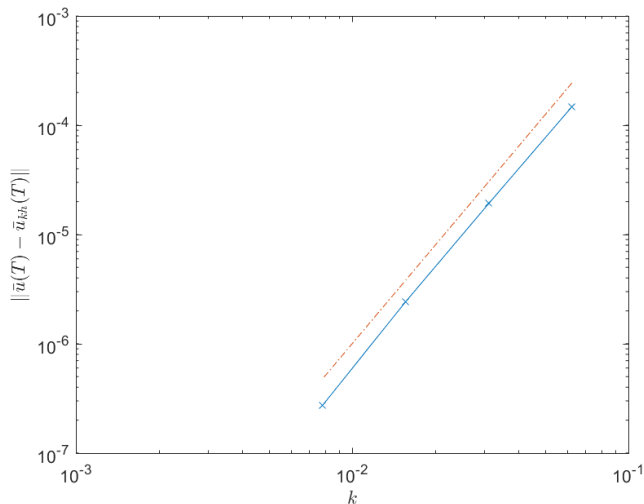
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- Motivation: Identification of sparse initial conditions
- Formulation with control from $\mathcal{M}(\Omega)$
- FEM discretization and error analysis with precise smoothing type error estimates
- Under a structural assumption: Convergence of support points



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