

No-Regret Optimal Control Characterization for an Ill-Posed Wave Equation

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Abstract — In this paper, we give a characterization (optimality system) of a quadratic optimal control for an ill-posed wave equation without using the extra hypothesis of Slater (i.e. U_{ad} set of admissible controls has a non-empty interior). By using a parabolic regularization we get a missing data problem where we associate a no-regret control to obtain a singular optimality system, then we pass to limit and by a corrector of order zero we complete the information.

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I. INTRODUCTION

The optimal controls of ill-posed problems are not generally regular then its characterization may be different of standard optimal control problems. The aim of this paper is the optimal control characterization for an ill-posed wave problem (instable problem) without requiring Slater hypothesis i.e. the set of admissible controls U_{ad} has a non-empty interior (see [1] and [9]), which is a strong hypothesis for this we'll try to avoid this condition by making another approach it's the regularization i.e. approximate the hyperbolic ill-posed problem by a sequence of parabolic well-posed problems but with incomplete data and taking control u such that $J(u, g) \leq J(0, g) \forall g$ in some Hilbert space it's the first idea which leads to the no-regret control definition (the no-regret control notion has been used by J.L.Lions in [3] after been introduced by Savage [7] in statistics) and approximate it by a sequence of low-regret controls. After backing by limit to no-regret control we miss information about the final data $y(T)$ and by a zero order corrector (see[4]) we recover her .

II. PRELIMINARIES

Consider an open domain $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ with smooth boundary Γ , and denote by $Q = (0, T) \times \Omega$, and by $\Sigma = (0, T) \times \Gamma$, $v \in L^2(Q)$. It's well known that the following wave problem:

$$\begin{cases} y'' - \Delta y = v & \text{in } Q \\ y(0) = 0; y'(0) = 0 & \text{in } \Omega \\ y = 0 & \text{on } \Sigma \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

is well-posed with:

$$y \in L^2(0, T; H_0^1(\Omega) \cap H^2(\Omega)), \\ y'' \in L^2(0, T; H^{-1}(\Omega))$$

(see [2] or [5]). If we substitute the condition $y(0) = 0$ by $y(T) = 0$ the above system has no solution (ill-posed).

Counter-example: Consider the one-dimensional wave equation:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} - \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} = v & \text{in }]0, 1[\times]0, T[\\ y(x, 0) = 0; y(x, T) = 0 & \text{in }]0, 1[\\ y(0, t) = 0; y(1, t) = 0 & \text{in }]0, T[\end{cases} \quad (2)$$

where $v \in L^2(0, T; L^2(0, 1))$, with

$$v(x, t) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \sum_{n \geq 1} v_n \sin n\pi x$$

and $v_n \in \mathbb{R}$ for every $n \geq 1$. The solution $y(x, t)$ if it exists may be written

$$y(x, t) = \sum_{n \geq 1} y_n(t) w_n(x)$$

with $w_n(x) = \sqrt{2/\pi} \sin n\pi x$. Then we obtain the second order ordinary differential equation for every $n \geq 1$:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial^2 y_n}{\partial t^2} + n^2 \pi^2 y_n = v_n \\ y_n(0) = 0; y_n(T) = 0 \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

And by variation of constants we get:

$$y_n(t) = \frac{2v_n}{n^2 \pi^2} \sin \frac{n\pi(t-T)}{2} \frac{\sin \frac{n\pi t}{2}}{\cos \frac{n\pi T}{2}}$$

but $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{2v_n}{n^2 \pi^2} \sin \frac{n\pi(t-T)}{2} \frac{\sin \frac{n\pi t}{2}}{\cos \frac{n\pi T}{2}}$ does not exist,

i.e. the series diverges and the solution does not exist.

Remark 1: The above problem has a unique solution but for v in some dense subset of $L^2(Q)$.

For example, consider

$$\tilde{v} = \left\{ w = \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i w_i \text{ such that: } -\Delta w_i = \lambda_i w_i \text{ in } \Omega \right. \\ \left. w_i = 0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega \text{ and } w_i \in L^2(\Omega) \right\}$$

there is $f \in L^2(0, T)$ and $w \in \tilde{v}$ such that:

$$v(x, t) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i w_i \right) f(t)$$

for given $v \in \tilde{v} \otimes L^2(0, T)$ (which is dense in $L^2(Q)$). Just take y of the form $y(x, t) = \zeta(t) w(x)$ where $\zeta = (\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \dots, \zeta_N)$ solves the following system of ODEs:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial^2 \zeta_i}{\partial t^2} + \lambda_i \zeta_i = f(t) & i = 1, \dots, N \\ \zeta_i(0) = 0; \zeta_i(T) = 0 \end{cases}$$

and (2) has a unique solution. ■

For the rest of this paper we shall consider the following wave equation:

$$\begin{cases} y'' - \Delta y = v & \text{in } Q \\ y(0) = 0; y(T) = 0 & \text{in } \Omega \\ y = 0 & \text{on } \Sigma \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

III. THE OPTIMAL CONTROL PROBLEM

Let U_{ad} a non-empty closed convex subset of $L^2(Q)$ the space of controls, with the quadratic cost function:

$$J(v, y) = \|y - y_d\|_{L^2(Q)}^2 + N\|v\|_{L^2(Q)}^2 \quad (5)$$

where $y_d \in U_{ad}$, y_d is a desired state in $L^2(Q)$, $N > 0$.

A pair $(u, z) \in U_{ad} \times L^2(Q)$ satisfying (4) is called a control-state feasible pair. We suppose in what follows that there exists at least an admissible pair, and we consider the optimal control problem:

$$\inf_{(v, y) \in U_{ad} \times L^2(Q)} J(v, y) \quad (6)$$

which has a unique solution (u, z) that we should characterize.

Lemma 2: The problem (6) has one only solution (u, z) called the optimal pair.

Proof: $J: L^2(Q) \times L^2(Q) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a lower semi-continuous function, strictly convex, and coercive. Hence there is a unique admissible pair (u, z) solution to (6). A celebrated classical method to characterize the optimal control solution of (4)-(6) is the penalization method, which consists to approximate (u, z) by the solution of some penalized problem. More precisely, for $\varepsilon > 0$ we define the penalized cost function:

$$J_\varepsilon(v, y) = J(v, y) + \frac{1}{2\varepsilon} \|y'' - \Delta y - v\|_{L^2(Q)}^2$$

The optimal pair $(u_\varepsilon, z_\varepsilon)$ then converges to (u, z) when $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$.

The optimality conditions of Euler-Lagrange for $(u_\varepsilon, z_\varepsilon)$ are the following:

$$\frac{d}{dt} J_\varepsilon(u_\varepsilon, z_\varepsilon + t(y - z_\varepsilon)) \Big|_{t=0} = 0 \quad \forall y \in L^2(Q) \quad (7)$$

and

$$\frac{d}{dt} J_\varepsilon(u_\varepsilon, z_\varepsilon + t(y - z_\varepsilon)) \Big|_{t=0} \geq 0 \quad \forall v \in U_{ad} \quad (8)$$

Theorem 3: Under the Slater hypothesis

$$U_{ad} \text{ has a non-empty interior} \quad (9)$$

there is a unique $(u, z, p) \in U_{ad} \times L^2(Q) \times L^2(Q)$, solution to the optimal control problem (4) and (5) - (6). Moreover, this solution is characterized by the following singular optimality system (SOS):

$$\begin{cases} z'' - \Delta z = u & p'' - \Delta p = z - y_d & \text{in } Q \\ z(0) = 0; z(T) = 0, p(0) = 0; p(T) = 0, & \text{in } \Omega \\ z = 0 & p = 0 & \text{on } \Sigma \end{cases} \quad (10)$$

and the variational inequality

$$\langle p + Nu, v - u \rangle_{L^2(Q)} \geq 0 \quad \forall v \in U_{ad} \quad (11)$$

Proof: Again we introduce the penalized cost function:

$$J_\varepsilon = J(v, y) + \frac{1}{2\varepsilon} \|y'' - \Delta y - v\|_{L^2(Q)}^2$$

for and $v \in U_{ad}$ and $y \in D(R)$ where:

$$D(R) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \varphi: \varphi, \varphi'' - \Delta \varphi \in L^2(Q), \\ \varphi(0) = \varphi(T) = 0, \varphi = 0 \text{ on } \Sigma \end{array} \right\} \quad (12)$$

Let $(u_\varepsilon, z_\varepsilon)$ be the solution of

$$\inf_{(v, y) \in U_{ad} \times D(R)} J_\varepsilon(v, y) = J_\varepsilon(u_\varepsilon, z_\varepsilon) \quad (13)$$

We have

$$z_\varepsilon'' - \Delta z_\varepsilon = u_\varepsilon + \sqrt{\varepsilon} f_\varepsilon, \quad \|f_\varepsilon\|_{L^2(Q)} \leq C \quad (14)$$

An optimality system is obtained by taking

$$p_\varepsilon = -\frac{1}{\varepsilon} (z_\varepsilon'' - \Delta z_\varepsilon - u_\varepsilon)$$

then from (7)

$$\langle z_\varepsilon - y_d, y \rangle_{L^2(Q)} - \langle p_\varepsilon R y \rangle_{L^2(Q)} = 0 \quad \forall y \in D(R) \quad (15)$$

and the variational inequality

$$\langle p_\varepsilon + Nu_\varepsilon, v - u_\varepsilon \rangle_{L^2(Q)} \geq 0 \quad \forall v \in U_{ad}$$

Then, We shall get the result by passing to limit, if we prove that

$$\|p_\varepsilon\|_{L^2(Q)} \leq C$$

By (9) and Remark 1 we can find $v_0 \in U_{ad}$ and $r > 0$ such that

if $\|v - v_0\| \leq r$ then $v \in U_{ad}$

and that

there exists $y_0 \in D(R)$ verifies $Ry_0 = v_0$

We have

$$\langle p_\varepsilon + Nu_\varepsilon, v - u_\varepsilon \rangle_{L^2(Q)} = X_\varepsilon + \langle p_\varepsilon, v - u_\varepsilon \rangle_{L^2(Q)}$$

With

$$X_\varepsilon = \langle p_\varepsilon + Nu_\varepsilon, v_0 - u_\varepsilon \rangle_{L^2(Q)} + \langle Nu_\varepsilon, v - v_0 \rangle_{L^2(Q)}$$

But with taking $y = y_0$ in (15), this yields

$$\langle p_\varepsilon, v_0 \rangle_{L^2(Q)} = \langle z_\varepsilon - y_d, y_0 \rangle_{L^2(Q)}$$

Both taking $y = z_\varepsilon$ and using (14) leads to

$$\langle p_\varepsilon, u_\varepsilon \rangle_{L^2(Q)} = \langle z_\varepsilon - y_d, z_\varepsilon \rangle_{L^2(Q)} + \|f_\varepsilon\|_{L^2(Q)}^2$$

Therefore

$$|X_\varepsilon| \leq C$$

Thus

$$\langle p_\varepsilon, v - v_0 \rangle_{L^2(Q)} \geq -C \text{ for every } v \in U_{ad} \text{ with } \|v - v_0\| \leq r$$

Whence

$$\|p_\varepsilon\|_{L^2(Q)} \leq \frac{C}{r} \quad \blacksquare$$

The last theorem required to use the hypothesis of Slater, but some sets like $(L^2)^+ = \{f \in L^2(Q), f \geq 0\}$ that has an empty interior can be used as a feasible set of controls v , for this reason we'll give another approach.

IV. APPROXIMATION BY A PARABOLIC EQUATION WITH INCOMPLETE DATA

Let's approximate the problem (4) by:

$$\begin{cases} y_\varepsilon'' - \Delta y_\varepsilon - \varepsilon \Delta y_\varepsilon' = v & \text{in } Q \\ y_\varepsilon = 0 & \text{on } \Sigma \\ y_\varepsilon(0) = y_\varepsilon(T) = 0, y_\varepsilon'(0) = g & \text{in } \Omega \end{cases} \quad (16)$$

where g is an unknown function in $L^2(\Omega)$, $\varepsilon > 0$. For any data (v, g) there exists a unique solution $y_\varepsilon = y_\varepsilon(v, g)$ for the parabolic equation (16) (see [4]).

Consider the quadratic cost function:

$$J_\varepsilon(v, g) = \|y_\varepsilon(v, g) - y_d\|_{L^2(Q)}^2 + N\|v\|_{L^2(Q)}^2 \quad (17)$$

We want

$$\inf_{v \in U_{ad}} J_\varepsilon(v, g) \text{ for every } g \in L^2(\Omega)$$

If $G \subset L^2(\Omega)$ is finite (17) has a sense, else it has no sense.

A natural idea is to take

$$\inf_{v \in U_{ad}} \left(\sup_{g \in L^2(\Omega)} J_\varepsilon(v, g) \right)$$

We could get $\sup_{g \in L^2(\Omega)} J_\varepsilon(v, g) = +\infty$. Another idea put forward by J.L.Lions : looking for controls such that:

$$J_\varepsilon(v, g) \leq J_\varepsilon(0, g) \quad \forall g \in L^2(\Omega)$$

In other word

$$J_\varepsilon(v, g) - J_\varepsilon(0, g) \leq 0 \quad \forall g \in L^2(\Omega)$$

Definition 4: We say that $v \in U_{ad}$ is a no-regret control for (16) (17) if u is the solution of:

$$\inf_{v \in U_{ad}} \left(\sup_{g \in L^2(\Omega)} (J_\varepsilon(v, g) - J_\varepsilon(0, g)) \right) \quad (1)$$

They called no-regret controls because they are doing better than $v = 0$ (doing nothing).

Lemma 5: For every $v \in U_{ad}$ and $g \in L^2(\Omega)$ we have:

$$J_\varepsilon(v, g) - J_\varepsilon(0, g) = J_\varepsilon(v, 0) - J_\varepsilon(0, 0) + 2\langle \xi_\varepsilon(0), g \rangle_{L^2(\Omega)} \quad (19)$$

With

$$\begin{cases} \xi_\varepsilon'' - \Delta \xi_\varepsilon + \varepsilon \Delta \xi_\varepsilon' = y_\varepsilon(v, g) & \text{in } Q \\ \xi_\varepsilon = 0 & \text{on } \Sigma \\ \xi_\varepsilon(T) = 0, \xi_\varepsilon'(T) = 0 & \text{in } \Omega \end{cases} \quad (20)$$

Proof: By a simple calculus we find:

$$J_\varepsilon(v, g) - J_\varepsilon(0, g) = J_\varepsilon(v, g) - J_\varepsilon(0, g) + 2\langle y_\varepsilon(v, 0), y_\varepsilon(0, g) \rangle_{L^2(Q)}$$

and by using Green formula we get

$$\langle y_\varepsilon(v, 0), y_\varepsilon(0, g) \rangle_{L^2(Q)} = \langle \xi_\varepsilon(0), g \rangle_{L^2(\Omega)}$$

where ξ_ε is given by (20). ■

The problem (18) is defined only for $v \in U_{ad}$ that verify

$$\sup_{g \in L^2(\Omega)} (J_\varepsilon(v, g) - J_\varepsilon(0, g)) \text{ exists}$$

i.e. if and only if $v \in K$ where

$$K = \{w \in U_{ad} : \langle \xi_\varepsilon(0; w), g \rangle_{L^2(\Omega)} = 0, \forall g \in L^2(\Omega)\}$$

The main difficulty arises here is that this set is hard to characterize, to eliminate this difficulty we relax our problem and we define the low-regret control.

Definition 6: We say that $u \in U_{ad}$ is a low-regret control for (16)-(17) if u is a solution of:

$$\inf_{v \in U_{ad}} \left(\sup_{g \in L^2(\Omega)} (J_\varepsilon(v, g) - J_\varepsilon(0, g) - \gamma \|g\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2) \right) \quad (21)$$

where $\gamma > 0$.

Use (19) to remark that:

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{g \in L^2(\Omega)} (J_\varepsilon(v, g) - J_\varepsilon(0, g) - \gamma \|g\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2) &= J_\varepsilon(v, 0) - J_\varepsilon(0, 0) + \sup_{g \in L^2(\Omega)} (2\langle \xi_\varepsilon(0), g \rangle_{L^2(\Omega)} - \gamma \|g\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2) \\ &= J_\varepsilon(v, 0) - J_\varepsilon(0, 0) + \frac{1}{\gamma} \|\xi_\varepsilon(0)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 \end{aligned}$$

to get a classical control problem :

$$\inf_{v \in U_{ad}} J_\varepsilon^\gamma(v) \quad (2)$$

with

$$J_\varepsilon^\gamma(v) = J_\varepsilon(v, 0) - J_\varepsilon(0, 0) + \frac{1}{\gamma} \|\xi_\varepsilon(0)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 \quad (23)$$

We see that (22) - (23) is a standard control problem. We replace (21) by (22)-(23) for the low-regret control problem.

Lemma 7: The problem (16)-(22)-(23) has a unique solution u_ε^γ called the approximate low-regret control.

Proof: We have $J_\varepsilon^\gamma(v) \geq -J_\varepsilon(0, 0) = -\|y_d\|_{L^2(Q)}^2$ for every $v \in U_{ad}$, this means $d = \inf_{v \in U_{ad}} J_\varepsilon^\gamma(v)$

exists. Let (v_n) be a minimizing sequence with $d = \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} J_\varepsilon^\gamma(v_n)$ then

$$-\|y_d\|_{L^2(Q)}^2 \leq J_\varepsilon^\gamma(v_n) = J_\varepsilon(v_n, 0) - J_\varepsilon(0, 0) + \frac{1}{\gamma} \|\xi_\varepsilon(0; v_n)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 \leq d + 1$$

which gives the bounds

$$\|v_n\|_{L^2(Q)} \leq C, \frac{1}{\sqrt{\gamma}} \|\xi_\varepsilon(0; v_n)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \leq C,$$

$$\|y_\varepsilon(v_n, 0) - y_d\|_{L^2(Q)} \leq C$$

where C is a constant independent of n :

There exists u_ε^γ such that $v_n \rightarrow u_\varepsilon^\gamma$ weakly in U_{ad} (closed), also $y_\varepsilon(v_n, 0) \rightarrow y_\varepsilon(u_\varepsilon^\gamma, 0)$ because of continuity w.r.t. the data. Since $J_\varepsilon^\gamma(v)$ is strictly convex u_ε^γ unique. ■

Proposition 8: The approximate low-regret control u_ε^γ is characterized by the unique $\{y_\varepsilon^\gamma, \xi_\varepsilon^\gamma, \rho_\varepsilon^\gamma, p_\varepsilon^\gamma\}$ defined by:

$$\begin{cases} y_\varepsilon^{\gamma''} - \Delta y_\varepsilon^\gamma - \varepsilon \Delta y_\varepsilon^{\gamma'} = u_\varepsilon^\gamma \\ \xi_\varepsilon^{\gamma''} - \Delta \xi_\varepsilon^\gamma + \varepsilon \Delta \xi_\varepsilon^{\gamma'} = y_\varepsilon^\gamma \\ \rho_\varepsilon^{\gamma''} - \Delta \rho_\varepsilon^\gamma - \varepsilon \Delta \rho_\varepsilon^{\gamma'} = 0 \\ p_\varepsilon^{\gamma''} - \Delta p_\varepsilon^\gamma + \varepsilon \Delta p_\varepsilon^{\gamma'} = y_\varepsilon^\gamma - y_d + \rho_\varepsilon^\gamma \text{ in } Q \\ y_\varepsilon^\gamma = 0, \xi_\varepsilon^\gamma = 0, \rho_\varepsilon^\gamma = 0, p_\varepsilon^\gamma = 0 \text{ on } \Sigma \\ y_\varepsilon^\gamma(0) = y_\varepsilon^{\gamma'}(0) = 0 \\ \xi_\varepsilon^\gamma(T) = \xi_\varepsilon^{\gamma'}(T) = 0 \\ \rho_\varepsilon^\gamma(0) = 0, \rho_\varepsilon^{\gamma'}(0) = \frac{1}{\gamma} \xi_\varepsilon^\gamma(0) \\ p_\varepsilon^\gamma(T) = p_\varepsilon^{\gamma'}(T) = 0 \text{ in } \Omega \end{cases}$$

and the variational inequality:

$$\langle p_\varepsilon^\gamma + N u_\varepsilon^\gamma, v - u_\varepsilon^\gamma \rangle_{L^2(Q)} \geq 0 \quad \forall v \in U_{ad}$$

Proof: First order Euler condition for (22) and (23) gives:

$$\langle -y_d, y_\varepsilon(w, 0) \rangle_{L^2(Q)} + \langle N u_\varepsilon^\gamma, w \rangle_{L^2(Q)} + \langle \frac{1}{\gamma} \xi_\varepsilon^\gamma(0), \xi_\varepsilon(w, 0) \rangle_{L^2(\Omega)} \geq 0$$

for every $v \in U_{ad}$

with $y_\varepsilon^\gamma = y_\varepsilon(u_\varepsilon^\gamma, 0)$, and $\xi_\varepsilon^\gamma = \xi_\varepsilon(u_\varepsilon^\gamma, 0)$. Let $\rho_\varepsilon^\gamma = \rho_\varepsilon(u_\varepsilon^\gamma, 0)$ be the solution of:

$$\begin{cases} \rho_\varepsilon''' - \Delta \rho_\varepsilon'' - \varepsilon \Delta \rho_\varepsilon' = 0 \text{ in } Q \\ \rho_\varepsilon'' = 0 \text{ on } \Sigma \\ \rho_\varepsilon'(0) = 0, \rho_\varepsilon'(0) = \frac{1}{\gamma} \xi_\varepsilon'(0) \text{ in } \Omega \end{cases}$$

Again by using Green formula:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \rho_\varepsilon'', y_\varepsilon(w, 0) \rangle_{L^2(Q)} &= \langle \rho_\varepsilon''(0), \xi_\varepsilon(0) \rangle_{L^2(\Omega)} \\ &= \langle \frac{1}{\gamma} \xi_\varepsilon'(0), \xi_\varepsilon(w, 0) \rangle_{L^2(\Omega)} \end{aligned}$$

Introduce $p_\varepsilon'' = p_\varepsilon''(u_\varepsilon'', 0)$ with:

$$\begin{cases} p_\varepsilon''' - \Delta p_\varepsilon'' + \varepsilon \Delta p_\varepsilon' = y_\varepsilon'' - y_d + \rho_\varepsilon'' \text{ in } Q \\ p_\varepsilon'' = 0 \text{ on } \Sigma \\ p_\varepsilon'(T) = p_\varepsilon'(0) = 0 \text{ in } \Omega \end{cases}$$

This gives

$$\langle y_\varepsilon'' - y_d + \rho_\varepsilon'', y_\varepsilon(w, 0) \rangle_{L^2(Q)} = \langle p_\varepsilon'', w \rangle_{L^2(Q)}$$

Finally:

$$\langle p_\varepsilon'' + Nu_\varepsilon'', w \rangle_{L^2(Q)} \geq 0 \quad \forall w \in U_{ad} \quad \blacksquare$$

Now we give a singular optimality system for the approximate no-regret control solution of (16) (17) (18). Before doing this we give some a priori estimates as follows:

Proposition 9: The following a priori estimates hold for some $C > 0$

$$\|u_\varepsilon''\|_{L^2(Q)} \leq C, \|y_\varepsilon''\|_{L^2(Q)} \leq C, \frac{1}{\sqrt{\gamma}} \|\xi_\varepsilon'(0)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \leq C \quad (24)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|y_\varepsilon''\|_{L^\infty(0,T;L^2(\Omega))}^2 + \|y_\varepsilon''\|_{L^\infty(0,T;H_0^1(\Omega))}^2 &\leq C \\ \varepsilon \|y_\varepsilon''\|_{L^\infty(0,T;H_0^1(\Omega))}^2 &\leq C \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|\xi_\varepsilon''\|_{L^\infty(0,T;L^2(\Omega))}^2 + \|\xi_\varepsilon''\|_{L^\infty(0,T;H_0^1(\Omega))}^2 &\leq C \\ \varepsilon \|\xi_\varepsilon''\|_{L^\infty(0,T;H_0^1(\Omega))}^2 &\leq C \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|\rho_\varepsilon''\|_{L^\infty(0,T;L^2(\Omega))}^2 + \|\rho_\varepsilon''\|_{L^\infty(0,T;H_0^1(\Omega))}^2 &\leq C \\ \varepsilon \|\rho_\varepsilon''\|_{L^\infty(0,T;H_0^1(\Omega))}^2 &\leq C \end{aligned} \quad (27)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|p_\varepsilon''\|_{L^\infty(0,T;L^2(\Omega))}^2 + \|p_\varepsilon''\|_{L^\infty(0,T;H_0^1(\Omega))}^2 &\leq C \\ \varepsilon \|p_\varepsilon''\|_{L^\infty(0,T;H_0^1(\Omega))}^2 &\leq C \end{aligned} \quad (28)$$

Proof: u_ε'' is the approximate low-regret control then

$$J_\varepsilon''(u_\varepsilon'') \leq J_\varepsilon''(v) \quad \forall v \in U_{ad}$$

in particular when $v = 0$

$$J_\varepsilon(u_\varepsilon'', 0) - J_\varepsilon(0, 0) + \frac{1}{\gamma} \|\xi_\varepsilon'(0)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 \leq \frac{1}{\gamma} \|\xi_\varepsilon'(0)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2$$

but $\xi_\varepsilon(0, 0)$ in $\bar{\Omega} \times [0, T]$ so

$$\|y_\varepsilon(u_\varepsilon'', 0) - y_d\|_{L^2(Q)}^2 + N \|u_\varepsilon''\|_{L^2(Q)}^2 + \frac{1}{\gamma} \|\xi_\varepsilon'(0)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 \leq \|y_\varepsilon(u_\varepsilon'', 0) - y_d\|_{L^2(Q)}^2$$

we obtain (24).

For (25), multiply by y_ε'' and integrate over $(0, t) \times \Omega$ to obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \|y_\varepsilon''(t)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|\nabla y_\varepsilon''(t)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 &\leq \int_0^t \langle u_\varepsilon'', y_\varepsilon'' \rangle_{L^2(\Omega)} d\sigma \\ &\Rightarrow \|y_\varepsilon''(t)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|y_\varepsilon''(t)\|_{H_0^1(\Omega)}^2 \leq \int_0^t [\|y_\varepsilon''(s)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 + \|u_\varepsilon''(s)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2] ds \end{aligned}$$

and by using Gronwall lemma we obtain the first part of (25).

By integrating over Ω we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 2\varepsilon \|\nabla y_\varepsilon''(t)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 &\leq \|u_\varepsilon''(t)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 + \|y_\varepsilon''(t)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 \\ &\Rightarrow \varepsilon \|y_\varepsilon''(t)\|_{L^\infty(0,T;H_0^1(\Omega))}^2 \leq C \end{aligned}$$

The estimates (26), (27) and (28) are the same. \blacksquare

Theorem 10: The approximate no-regret control $u_\varepsilon = \lim_{\gamma \rightarrow 0} u_\varepsilon''$ for the ill-posed wave equation (4) is characterized by the unique $\{y_\varepsilon, \xi_\varepsilon, \rho_\varepsilon, p_\varepsilon\}$ given by:

$$\begin{cases} y_\varepsilon'' - \Delta y_\varepsilon - \varepsilon \Delta y_\varepsilon' = u_\varepsilon \\ \xi_\varepsilon'' - \Delta \xi_\varepsilon + \varepsilon \Delta \xi_\varepsilon' = y_\varepsilon \\ \rho_\varepsilon'' - \Delta \rho_\varepsilon - \varepsilon \Delta \rho_\varepsilon' = 0 \\ p_\varepsilon'' - \Delta p_\varepsilon + \varepsilon \Delta p_\varepsilon' = y_\varepsilon - y_d + \rho_\varepsilon \text{ in } Q \\ y_\varepsilon = 0, \xi_\varepsilon = 0, \rho_\varepsilon = 0, p_\varepsilon = 0 \text{ on } \Sigma \\ y_\varepsilon(0) = y_\varepsilon'(0) = 0 \\ \xi_\varepsilon(T) = \xi_\varepsilon'(T) = 0 \\ \rho_\varepsilon(0) = 0, \rho_\varepsilon'(0) = \lambda_\varepsilon(0) \\ p_\varepsilon(T) = p_\varepsilon'(T) = 0 \text{ in } \Omega \end{cases}$$

with the following limits:

$$\begin{aligned} u_\varepsilon &= \lim_{\gamma \rightarrow 0} u_\varepsilon'', y_\varepsilon = \lim_{\gamma \rightarrow 0} y_\varepsilon'', \xi_\varepsilon = \lim_{\gamma \rightarrow 0} \xi_\varepsilon'', \\ \rho_\varepsilon &= \lim_{\gamma \rightarrow 0} \rho_\varepsilon'', p_\varepsilon = \lim_{\gamma \rightarrow 0} p_\varepsilon'' \end{aligned}$$

and the variational inequality:

$$\langle p_\varepsilon + Nu_\varepsilon, v - u_\varepsilon \rangle_{L^2(Q)} \geq 0 \quad \forall v \in U_{ad}$$

with

$$u_\varepsilon, y_\varepsilon, \xi_\varepsilon, \rho_\varepsilon, p_\varepsilon \in L^2(Q), \lambda_\varepsilon(0) \in L^2(\Omega)$$

Proof: By the above proposition $\|y_\varepsilon''\|_{L^2(Q)} \leq C$

and from (26) we see that ξ_ε'' (resp. p_ε'') satisfies

$$\|\xi_\varepsilon''\|_{L^\infty(0,T;L^2(\Omega))}^2 + \|\xi_\varepsilon''\|_{L^\infty(0,T;H_0^1(\Omega))}^2 \leq C$$

respectively

$$\|p_\varepsilon''\|_{L^\infty(0,T;L^2(\Omega))}^2 + \|p_\varepsilon''\|_{L^\infty(0,T;H_0^1(\Omega))}^2 \leq C$$

then $\xi_\varepsilon'' \rightarrow \xi_\varepsilon$ (respectively $p_\varepsilon'' \rightarrow p_\varepsilon$) weakly in $L^2(0, T; H_0^1(\Omega))$ by compactness $\xi_\varepsilon'' \rightarrow \xi_\varepsilon$ (respectively $p_\varepsilon'' \rightarrow p_\varepsilon$) strongly in $L^2(0, T; L^2(\Omega))$.

Also $p_\varepsilon'' \rightarrow p_\varepsilon$ strongly in $L^2(0, T; L^2(\Omega))$.

Finally it follows $\frac{1}{\gamma} \xi_\varepsilon'(0) \rightarrow \lambda_\varepsilon(0)$ in $L^2(\Omega)$.

\blacksquare

Finally, all those results leads to the following theorem that characterize the no-regret control for (4) - (6).

Theorem 11: The no-regret control $u = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} u_\varepsilon$ for the ill-posed wave equation (4) is characterized by the unique $\{y, \xi, \rho, p\}$ given by:

$$\begin{cases} y'' - \Delta y = u \\ \xi'' - \Delta \xi = y \\ \rho'' - \Delta \rho = 0 \\ p'' - \Delta p = y - y_d + \rho \text{ in } Q \\ y = 0, \xi = 0, \rho = 0, p = 0 \text{ on } \Sigma \\ y(0) = y'(0) = 0 \\ \xi(T) = \xi'(T) = 0 \\ \rho(0) = 0, \rho'(0) = \lambda(0) \\ p(T) = p'(T) = 0 \text{ in } \Omega \end{cases}$$

with the following limits:

$$y = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} y_\varepsilon, \xi = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \xi_\varepsilon, \rho = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \rho_\varepsilon, p = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} p_\varepsilon$$

and the variational inequality:

$$\langle p + Nu, v - u \rangle_{L^2(Q)} \geq 0 \quad \forall v \in U_{ad}$$

where

$$u, y, \xi, \rho, p \in L^2(Q), \lambda(0) \in L^2(\Omega)$$

Proof: See [4]. ■

V. CORRECTOR OF ORDER 0

We remark that the passage to limit in the last theorem gives no information about $y(T)$, to recover this value we shall use the notion of zero order corrector which is introduced by Lions in [4].

First, we make the regularity hypothesis

$$y, y' \in L^2(0, T; H_0^1(\Omega)) \quad (29)$$

Definition 12: We say that θ_ε is a zero order corrector if

$$\begin{cases} \langle \theta_\varepsilon'', \varphi \rangle_{L^2(\Omega)} + \varepsilon \langle \nabla \theta_\varepsilon', \nabla \varphi \rangle_{L^2(\Omega)} + \langle \nabla \theta_\varepsilon, \nabla \varphi \rangle_{L^2(\Omega)} \\ = \langle \varepsilon f_{\varepsilon 1} + \sqrt{\varepsilon} f_{\varepsilon 2}, \varphi \rangle_{H_0^1(\Omega)} \quad \forall \varphi \in H_0^1(\Omega) \\ \theta_\varepsilon + y_\varepsilon \in H_0^1(\Omega) \\ \theta_\varepsilon(0) = 0, \theta_\varepsilon(T) + \theta_\varepsilon'(T) = 0 \end{cases}$$

with

$$\begin{cases} \|f_{\varepsilon 1}\|_{L^2(0, T; H^{-1}(\Omega))} \leq C \\ \|f_{\varepsilon 2}\|_{L^2(0, T; H^{-1}(\Omega))} \leq C \end{cases}$$

Remark 13: If θ_ε is a zero order corrector then m_ε is also a zero order corrector, then we'll take the corrector with

$$m_\varepsilon = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{in the neighborhood of } t = T \\ 0 & \text{in the neighborhood of } t = 0 \end{cases}$$

Theorem 14: Let θ_ε be a corrector of order 0 defined by (30) and (31), then

$$\|y_\varepsilon - (\theta_\varepsilon + y)\|_{L^\infty(0, T; H_0^1(\Omega))} + \|\theta'_\varepsilon - (\theta'_\varepsilon + y')\|_{L^\infty(0, T; L^2(\Omega))} \leq C\sqrt{\varepsilon} \quad (32)$$

$$\theta'_\varepsilon - (\theta'_\varepsilon + y') \rightarrow 0 \text{ weakly in } L^2(0, T; H_0^1(\Omega)) \quad (33)$$

Proof: Let $w_\varepsilon = y_\varepsilon - (\theta_\varepsilon + y)$ then for every $\varphi \in H_0^1(\Omega)$

$$\langle w_\varepsilon'', \varphi \rangle_{L^2(\Omega)} + \varepsilon \langle \nabla w_\varepsilon', \nabla \varphi \rangle_{L^2(\Omega)} + \langle \nabla w_\varepsilon, \nabla \varphi \rangle_{L^2(\Omega)} = -\varepsilon \langle \nabla y'_\varepsilon, \nabla \varphi \rangle_{L^2(\Omega)} - \langle \varepsilon f_{\varepsilon 1} + \sqrt{\varepsilon} f_{\varepsilon 2}, \varphi \rangle_{H_0^1(\Omega)}$$

put $\varphi = w'_\varepsilon$, then

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \|w'_\varepsilon\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 + \varepsilon \|w'_\varepsilon\|_{H_0^1(\Omega)}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \|w_\varepsilon\|_{H_0^1(\Omega)}^2 = -\varepsilon \langle \nabla y'_\varepsilon, \nabla w'_\varepsilon \rangle_{L^2(\Omega)} - \langle \varepsilon f_{\varepsilon 1} + \sqrt{\varepsilon} f_{\varepsilon 2}, w'_\varepsilon \rangle_{H_0^1(\Omega)}$$

by integration over $(0, t)$

$$\|w'_\varepsilon(t)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 + \|w_\varepsilon(t)\|_{H_0^1(\Omega)}^2 + 2\varepsilon \int_0^t \|w'_\varepsilon(s)\|_{H_0^1(\Omega)}^2 ds \leq C\varepsilon \left(\int_0^t \|w'_\varepsilon(s)\|_{H_0^1(\Omega)}^2 ds \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + C\sqrt{\varepsilon} \left(\int_0^t \|w_\varepsilon(s)\|_{H_0^1(\Omega)}^2 ds \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

by taking sup on $[0, T]$

$$\|w'_\varepsilon\|_{L^\infty(0, T; L^2(\Omega))}^2 + \|w_\varepsilon\|_{L^\infty(0, T; H_0^1(\Omega))}^2 + \varepsilon \|w'_\varepsilon\|_{L^2(0, T; H_0^1(\Omega))}^2 \leq C\sqrt{\varepsilon} \left[\sqrt{\varepsilon} \|w'_\varepsilon\|_{L^\infty(0, T; L^2(\Omega))} \right]$$

which gives (32) and

$$\|w'_\varepsilon\|_{L^2(0, T; H_0^1(\Omega))} \leq C$$

we deduce (33), with

$$\|w_\varepsilon\|_{L^2(0, T; H_0^1(\Omega))} \leq C$$

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By using zero order corrector with (32) and (33) we can complete information about y and announce the next theorem:

Theorem 15: The quadruplet $\{y, \xi, \rho, p\}$ satisfies by the mean of zero order corrector:

$$\begin{cases} y'' - \Delta y = u \\ \xi'' - \Delta \xi = y \\ \rho'' - \Delta \rho = 0 \\ p'' - \Delta p = y - y_d + \rho \text{ in } Q \\ y = 0, \xi = 0, \rho = 0, p = 0 \text{ on } \Sigma \\ y(0) = y'(0) = 0 \\ \xi(T) = \xi'(T) = 0 \\ \rho(0) = 0, \rho'(0) = \lambda(0) \\ p(T) = p'(T) = 0 \text{ in } \Omega \end{cases}$$

and the variational inequality:

$$\langle p + Nu, v - u \rangle_{L^2(Q)} \geq 0 \quad \forall v \in U_{ad}$$

VI. CONCLUSIONS

In this work we avoided requiring the Slater hypothesis (9) to characterize the optimal control of (4)-(5) by using the regularization technique that gives another approach for studying an optimal control of singular distributed problem.

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