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Quantitative unique  
Continuation for waves,  
and the cost of approximate controls  
(with Camille Laurent)

② Intro: The BLR thm:



$\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\partial\Omega \in C^\infty$ ,  $(g \in C^\infty(\bar{\Omega}; \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}))$   
 $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \partial_t^2 u - \Delta_g u + (\nabla u) = 0 \quad (0, T) \times \Omega \\ u|_{\partial\Omega} = 0 \quad (0, T) \times \partial\Omega \\ (u, \partial_t u)|_{t=0} = (u_0, u_1) \quad \Omega \end{array} \right. \quad (*)$

Thm(BLR) Given  $T > 0$ ,  $\Gamma \subset \partial\Omega$

(i) Observability:  $\exists C > 0$ ,  $\forall (u_0, u_1) \in H_0^1 \times L^2$ ,  $u \text{ sol} (*)$   
 $\| (u_0, u_1) \|_{H_0^1 \times L^2}^2 \leq C \int_0^T \| \partial_n u \|_{L^2(\Gamma)}^2 dt$

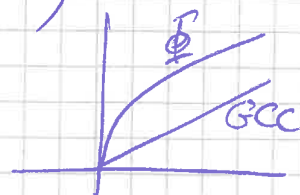
(ii)  $(\Gamma, T)$  GCC: every ray of geometric optics (wrt  $g$ ) entering  $\Gamma$  in  $(0, T)$ .  
traveling at speed 1

Question 1: What if  $(\Gamma, T)$  does not satisfy GCC (i.e.  $\exists$  ray not entering  $\Gamma$  in  $(0, T)$ ):

- Do we have  $\partial_n u = 0$  on  $(0, T) \times \Gamma \Rightarrow (u_0, u_1) = 0$ ?
- If so, do we have

$$\| (u_0, u_1) \| \leq \Phi \left( \int_0^T \| \partial_n u \|_{L^2(\Gamma)}^2 dt \right)$$

(with  $\Phi(x) \gg x$ ,  $x$  small)  
 $\Phi(0) = 0$



Proof of BLR: 2 Nonconstructive steps

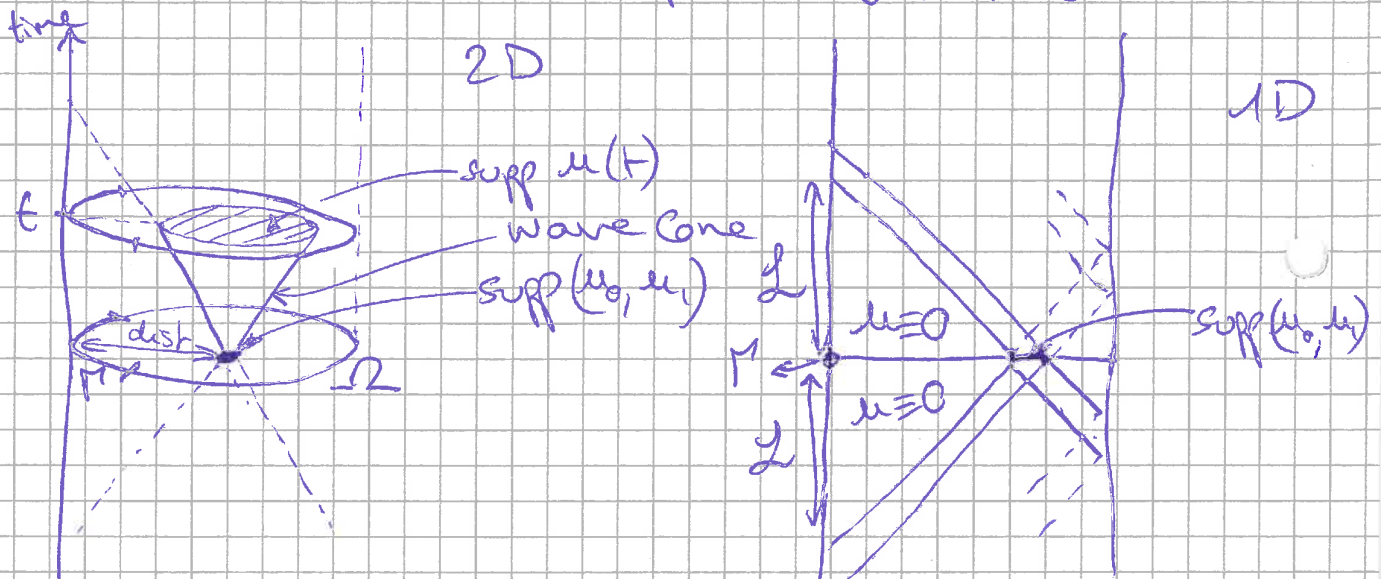
Question 3: Give a Constructive proof of BLR?

# ① Quantitative Unique Continuation:

Unique Continuation?

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \mu \text{ sol of } (*) \\ \text{Data} \equiv 0 \text{ on } (0, T) \times \Gamma \end{array} \right\} \xrightarrow{\text{UC}} \begin{array}{l} (\mu_0, \mu) \equiv (0, 0) \\ \text{i.e.} \\ \mu \equiv 0 \end{array}$$

Obstruction: finite speed of propagation:



$\Gamma$  being fixed, UC False if  $T < 2L(\Gamma, \Omega) = 2 \sup_{x \in \Omega} \text{dist}(\Gamma, x)$

Conversely (for any  $\Gamma$  open  $\neq \emptyset$ )

• Analytic setting ( $g$  analytic,  $l$  at analytic)

↳ Holmgren-John '49  $T > 2L(\Gamma, \Omega) \Rightarrow \underline{\text{UC}}$

(Rauch-Taylor '73)  $T = +\infty \rightarrow \underline{\text{UC}}$

(Lerner '88)  $T > C_0 L(\Gamma, \Omega)$

Robbiano '91  $T > 2 \sqrt{\frac{27}{23}} L(\Gamma, \Omega)$

Hörmander '92  $T > 2L(\Gamma, \Omega) !$

Tataru '95  $T > 2L(\Gamma, \Omega) !$

(Robbiano-Zuily '98, Hörmander '97)

Smooth setting  
 $g \in C^\infty / \text{VE} / L^2(\Omega)$

Rem: • coherence:  $(\Gamma, T) \in CC \Rightarrow T > 2L(\Gamma, \Omega)$  <sup>(2)</sup>

• Holmgren: Lot Analytic

↳ Here  $\square + V(f, \alpha)$

[Tot. Rob. Zu Hör] Analytic wrt  $t$ . (only)

Our result: Stability in this thm.

Thm (Lau-Léau 15):  $\forall T > 2L(\Gamma, \Omega)$ ,  $\exists C > 0$ , st

$\forall U_0 = (u_0, e_1) \in H_0^1 \times L^2$ , and  $u \text{ sol}(\square)$ ,

we have:

$$\bullet \|U_0\|_{L^2 \times H^{-1}} \leq C e^{c\lambda} \|D_n u\|_{L^2(\{0, T\} \times \Gamma)} + \frac{1}{\mu} \|U_0\|_{H_0^1 \times L^2}^2$$

$$\bullet \|U_0\|_{H_0^1 \times L^2} \leq C e^{c\lambda} \|D_n u\|_{L^2(\{0, T\} \times \Gamma)} \quad \forall \mu \geq \mu_0 \quad \lambda = \frac{\|U_0\|_{H_0^1 \times L^2}^2}{\|U_0\|_{L^2 \times H^{-1}}}$$

$$\bullet \|U_0\|_{L^2 \times H^{-1}} \leq C \frac{\|U_0\|_{H^1 \times L^2}}{\log\left(\pi + \frac{\|U_0\|_{H^1 \times L^2}}{\|D_n u\|_{L^2(\{0, T\} \times \Gamma)}}\right)}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{1}{\log(1 + \frac{1}{x})} \quad x > 0 \\ 0 \quad x = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

Rem: • the 3 ineq are equiv.

•  $\lambda =$  typical frequency of the data

$(u_0, e_1)$ , e.g. if  $\begin{cases} u_0 = \varphi_d \\ e_1 = 0 \end{cases} - \Delta \varphi_d = \lambda \varphi_d$ , this is  $\lambda = \sqrt{d}$

$$\|\varphi_d\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \leq C e^{c\sqrt{d}} \|D_n \varphi_d\|_{L^2(\Gamma)}$$

↳ tunneling of eigenfcts

• Explicit dependence wrt  $\lambda$  let  $V(\lambda) \in L^\infty$   
 $b(\lambda) \partial_t \varphi$   
 $W(\lambda) \partial_x \varphi$



- History:
- Analytic setting Lebeau 92
  - + Optimal as soon as GCC fails
  - Robbiano 95  $\frac{1}{\log(1+\frac{1}{\alpha})}^{1/2}$  for  $T$  large
  - Phung 13  $\frac{1}{\log^{1-\varepsilon}}$
  - Bahari 99 a "strategy" to obtain  $\frac{1}{\log^{1-\varepsilon}}$  for  $T > 2L(\Gamma, \varepsilon)$  (without boundary)

Corollary (Approx Control, LLS)

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$$\begin{cases} (\partial_t^2 - \Delta_g + V) u = 0 \\ u|_{\partial\Omega} = \phi, g \\ (u, \partial_t u)|_{t=0} = (u_0, u_1) \end{cases}$$

$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \quad \forall (u_0, u_1) \in H_0^1 \times L^2, \exists g \in L^2((0, T) \times \Gamma)$   
 with  $\|g\|_{L^2((0, T) \times \Gamma)} \leq C e^{c/\varepsilon} \|(u_0, u_1)\|_{H^1 \times L^2}$

st  $\|u(\cdot, t) - \phi(\cdot, t)\|_{C^{k, k-1}}|_{t=T} \leq \varepsilon / \|(u_0, u_1)\|_{H^1 \times L^2}$   
 for  $u$  sd (\*\*)

Cost

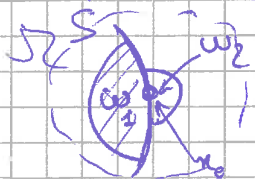
② An idea of the proof

- PU:
- 1) local uniqueness near  $(t_0, x_0)$  across  $S$
  - 2) Propagation of zero / smallness



step 2) Propagation of smallness.

In the elliptic case (Hörmander 74, Bahari, Robbiano)



Prove  $\|u\|_{\Omega_2} \leq e^{c\mu} \|u\|_{\Omega_1} + e^{-K\mu} \|u\|_{\Omega}$   
 $(\leq \|u\|_{\Omega_1}^\delta \|u\|_{\Omega}^{1-\delta}) \quad \forall \mu \geq \mu_0$



Propagate:

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$$\begin{aligned} \|u\|_{\omega_3} &\leq e^{c\tilde{\mu}} \|u\|_{\omega_2} + e^{-K\tilde{\mu}} \|u\|_{\omega_1} \quad \tilde{\mu} \geq \mu_0 \\ &\leq e^{c\tilde{\mu}} (e^{c\mu} \|u\|_{\omega_1} + e^{-K\mu} \|u\|_{\omega_2}) + e^{-K\tilde{\mu}} \|u\|_{\omega_2} \\ &\leq e^{c(\tilde{\mu}+\mu)} \|u\|_{\omega_1} + (e^{c\tilde{\mu}-K\mu} + e^{-K\tilde{\mu}}) \|u\|_{\omega_2} \\ &\quad \text{take } \mu = \frac{c}{K} \tilde{\mu} \\ &\leq e^{c\tilde{\mu}} \|u\|_{\omega_1} + e^{-\tilde{K}\tilde{\mu}} \|u\|_{\omega_2} \quad \text{Same form} \end{aligned}$$

here, we expect:

$$\begin{aligned} \|u\|_{\omega_2} &\leq e^{c\mu} \|u\|_{\omega_1} + \frac{1}{\mu} \|u\|_{\tilde{\Omega}} \\ \|u\|_{\omega_3} &\leq e^{c\tilde{\mu}} \|u\|_{\omega_2} + \frac{1}{\tilde{\mu}} \|u\|_{\omega_1} \\ &\leq e^{c\tilde{\mu}} (e^{c\mu} \|u\|_{\omega_1} + \frac{1}{\mu} \|u\|_{\omega_1}) + \frac{1}{\tilde{\mu}} \|u\|_{\tilde{\Omega}} \\ &\leq e^{c(\tilde{\mu}+\mu)} \|u\|_{\omega_1} + \left( \frac{e^{c\tilde{\mu}}}{\mu} + \frac{1}{\tilde{\mu}} \right) \|u\|_{\tilde{\Omega}} \\ &\leq \underbrace{e^{c\tilde{\mu}}}_{\text{Veg Bad!}} \|u\|_{\omega_1} + \frac{1}{\tilde{\mu}} \|u\|_{\tilde{\Omega}} \quad \frac{e^{c\tilde{\mu}}}{\mu} \text{ if } \mu = \frac{c\tilde{\mu}}{\mu} \end{aligned}$$

Idea: Tabar: Prove / propagate low-freq estimates only:

$$\|m(\frac{D_x}{\mu}) \chi_{\omega_2} u\| \leq e^{K\mu} \|m(\frac{D_x}{\mu}) \chi_{\omega_1} u\| + e^{-K\mu} \|u\|_{\tilde{\Omega}}$$

low freq  $\nearrow$   $\nearrow$  expo remainder

Then: issue: patch these estimates together

Remainder terms  $O(\mu^{-\infty})$  if  $\infty (1 - m(\frac{D_x}{2\mu})) \chi_{m(\frac{D_x}{\mu})}$   
 $O(e^{-\mu^\alpha})$  if  $\alpha > 1$

To obtain  $O(e^{-K\mu}) \rightarrow$  Analytic cutoff fcts!

$$m\left(\frac{D_\varepsilon}{\mu}\right) \rightarrow m_\mu\left(\frac{D_\varepsilon}{\mu}\right)$$

Analytic Regularized  $m_\mu(\lambda) = e^{-\frac{D_\varepsilon^2}{4}} m(\lambda) = e^{-\frac{D(\lambda)^2}{4}} m(\lambda)$  Analytic

Right regularization parameter  $\delta \approx \mu$ .

then replace "Capacity supported" by "exponentially decaying outside  $k$ "

Step 1) Prove  $(*)$  Starting point

Carleman estimates with [Tat. Rob. Zittör] Analytic localization localized near  $\xi_T = 0$

$$\|e^{\frac{\varepsilon D_\varepsilon^2}{\sigma}} e^{\sigma \psi} u\| \leq \|e^{\frac{\varepsilon D_\varepsilon^2}{\sigma}} e^{\sigma \psi} \square u\| + e^{-d\sigma} \|e^{\sigma \psi} u\|$$

large parameter ( $\sigma \approx \mu$ )

$$\left(\frac{\sigma}{4TE}\right)^{1/2} e^{-\frac{\sigma t^2}{4E}} \ll \mu$$

Appropriate local weight fct.

↳ Reminiscent to the FBI transform

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t^2 - \Delta &\longrightarrow -\partial_t^2 - \Delta \\ \partial_t &\longrightarrow i\partial_t \end{aligned}$$

- Good Starting Point: Carleman = qualitative
- then: A complex analytic argument (maximum principle)

### ③ Constructive proof of the BLR thm

Proof of BLR: 2 steps:

Step 1: Prove  $\| (u_0, u_1) \|_{\#x}^2 \leq C_0 \| \partial_n u \|_{L^2(\{0,T\} \times \mathbb{R}^n)}^2 + C_1 \| (u_0, u_1) \|_{L^2 \times H^{-1}}^2$

↳ "high frequency step"

↳ closed graph thm + propagation of singularities along rays of geometric optics. Remainder

Step 2: Get rid of  $\| (u_0, u_1) \|_{L^2 \times H^{-1}}$

↳ By Contradiction → Reduction to unig. combination



Two non constructive arguments !!!

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↳ Use our th to perform Step 2:

$$\|u\|_{H^1 \times L^2}^2 \leq C_0 \text{Obs} + C_1 \|u\|_{L^2 \times H^1}^2$$

$$\leq K_0 \text{Obs} + \frac{1}{\mu^2} \|u\|_{H^1 \times L^2}^2$$

last line is

if  $\frac{C_1}{\mu^2} \leq \frac{1}{2}$

$$\frac{1}{2} \|u\|_{H^1 \times L^2}^2 \leq (C_0 + K_0 e^{\mu \sqrt{2} C_1}) \text{Obs} \quad \square$$

Application 1: Potential  $V(x)$

Thm:  $(T, T)$  GCC Then

$$\|u, \partial_t u\|_{H^1 \times L^2}^2 \leq C e^{C \|V\|_{L^\infty}} \int_0^T \|\partial_x u\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^1)}^2 dt$$

$\forall V \in L^\infty$  and  $V$  real valued  
 $V \geq 0$

$u$  sol of  $\square u + V(x)u = 0$

Previously

- Uniformity: Dehman Ervedoza 14
- Duyckaerts Zhang Zworska 08  
 $C \exp(C \|V\|_{L^\infty}^{2/3})$   
if a multiplier Condition -  
Conjecture this is optimal

Application 2: On a Compact manifold  $M$  with internal observer  
Complete constructive proof and

$$\frac{C}{k(T)} \leq C_{\text{obs}}(T, \omega) \leq C e^{\frac{C}{k(T)}}$$

as

$$T \rightarrow T_{\text{GCC}}(\omega)^+$$

inf  $T > 0$ ,  $(\omega, T)$  satisfies GCC

$$k(T) = \inf_{\phi \in \Gamma(M)} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \|\dot{\omega} \circ \phi_t(\phi)\| dt$$

control fct  $\approx \frac{1}{\omega}$  smooth  
geodesic flow on  $T^*M$