# **CONTROLLABILITY FOR THE PARABOLIC EQUATIONS**

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**Abstract**. In this paper, we study an approximate controllability problem. This problem appears naturally of approximate sentinel "weakly sentinel". The main tool is a theorem of uniqueness of the solution of ill-posed Cauchy problem for the parabolic equations.

### **1** Introduction

The notion of sentinel was introduced by J. L. Lions to study systems of incomplete data [22]. The notion permits to distinguish and to analyse two types of incomplete data: the so called pollution terms on which we look for informations, independently of the other type of incomplete data which is the missing terms, and that we do not want to identify.

Typically, the Lions' sentinel is a functional defined from an open set  $\mathcal{O}$  on which we consider three functions: the "observation"  $y_{obs}$  corresponding to measurements, a given "mean" function  $h_0$ , and a control function u to be determined.

Let us remind that Lions' sentinel theory [22] relies on the following three features: the state equation y which is gouverned by a system of PDE, the observation system and some particular evaluation function: the sentinel itself.

#### 2 Setting the problem

#### 2.1 Problem formulation

For  $n = \{2, 3\}$ , let  $\Omega$  be a bounded open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with boundary  $\partial \Omega = \Gamma$  of class  $\mathcal{C}^2$ , T > 0, and let  $\mathcal{O} \subset \Gamma$ ,  $\mathcal{O}$  is a frontier observatory. Set  $\mathcal{Q} = \Omega \times (0, T)$ ,  $\Sigma = \Gamma \times (0, T)$ ,  $\mathcal{U} = \mathcal{O} \times (0, T)$ . If  $\Gamma_0$  is a subset of the border  $\Gamma$  of  $\Omega$  such as  $\mathcal{O} \cap \Gamma_0 = \emptyset$ . We consider the parabolic equation:

$$\begin{cases} y' + \Delta^2 y + f(y) &= 0 & \text{in } \mathcal{Q} \\ y &= \xi_0 + \lambda_0 \widehat{\xi_0} & \text{on } \Sigma_0 = \Gamma_0 \times (0, T) \\ y &= 0 & \text{on } \Sigma \setminus \Sigma_0 \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial \nu} &= \xi_1 + \lambda_1 \widehat{\xi_1} & \text{on } \Sigma_0 \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial \nu} &= 0 & \text{on } \Sigma \setminus \Sigma_0 \\ y(0) &= y_0 + \tau \widehat{y_0} & \text{on } \Omega \end{cases}$$
(1.1)

Where (.)' is the partial derivative with respect to time t.

**Remark 2.1.** The problem (1.1) admits a unique solution. For the sake of simplicity, we denote  $y(x, t; \lambda, \tau) = y(\lambda, \tau); \lambda = \{\lambda_0, \lambda_1\}.$ 

That supposes that the data  $\xi_0, \xi_1$  are rather regular, and that the terms of pollution "that one wants to estimate" are rather regular. It will be always supposed that the solution y check at least  $y \in L^2(\mathcal{Q})$ .

**Remark 2.2.** One will always indicate by  $y_0$  the solution y(x, t; 0, 0); thus

$$\begin{pmatrix}
y'_{0} + \Delta^{2} y_{0} + f(y_{0}) &= 0 & \text{in} & \mathcal{Q} \\
y_{0} &= \xi_{0} & \text{on} & \Sigma_{0} = \Gamma_{0} \times (0, T) \\
y_{0} &= 0 & \text{on} & \Sigma \setminus \Sigma_{0} \\
\frac{\partial y_{0}}{\partial \nu} &= \xi_{1} & \text{on} & \Sigma_{0} \\
\frac{\partial y_{0}}{\partial \nu} &= 0 & \text{on} & \Sigma \setminus \Sigma_{0} \\
y_{0}(0) &= y_{0} & \text{on} & \Omega
\end{pmatrix}$$
(1.2)

The problem considered here consists in trying to estimate  $\lambda_0 \hat{\xi}_0$  and  $\lambda_1 \hat{\xi}_1$  starting from observations, distributed or borders, without seeking to estimate the tereme lack  $\tau \hat{y}_0$ .

One starts with a distributed observation, therefore a distributed sentinel

#### 2.2 The "Sentinels method"

**Proposition 2.3.** (definition, existence and uniqueness of the sentinel)

Let  $h = \{h_0, h_1\} \in (L^2(\mathcal{U}))^2$  and for any control function  $u = \{u_0, u_1\} \in (L^2(\mathcal{U}))^2$ , set

$$\mathcal{S}(\lambda,\tau) = \int_{\mathcal{U}} \left[ (h_0 + u_0) \,\Delta y \,(\lambda,\tau) + (h_1 + u_1) \,\frac{\partial \Delta y}{\partial \nu} \,(\lambda,\tau) \right] d\mathcal{U} \tag{1.3}$$

The role of the function u appears in the following definition. We shall say that S defines a weakly sentinel (for the system (1.1), and definition of h) if there exists u such that the functional S satisfies the following conditions:

for all  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists  $u \in (L^2(\mathcal{U}))^2$  such as

$$u \in (L^2(\mathcal{U}))^2$$
, of minimal norm (1.4)

$$\left|\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} \mathcal{S}\left(0,0\right)\right| \le \epsilon \tag{1.5}$$

Then  $S(\lambda, \tau)$  defined by (1.3, 1.4, 1.5) exists and is unique (that means the existence and uniqueness of the function u).

**Remark 2.4.** The function u = -h give place to (1.5) so that the problem (1.4, 1.5) admits a single solution, which is defined by h.

The problem is thus:

(1) to calculate this solution;

(2) to see whether the corresponding sentinel justifies its name, i.e. gives information on pollution  $\lambda_0 \hat{\xi}_0$  and  $\lambda_1 \hat{\xi}_1$ .

#### Adjoint state

The adjoint state is introduced q by

$$\begin{cases} -q' + \Delta^2 q + f'(y_0) q = 0 \\ q = h_1 + u_1 \text{ on } \mathcal{U} \\ q = 0 \text{ on } \Sigma \\ \frac{\partial q}{\partial \nu} = -(h_0 + u_0) \text{ on } \mathcal{U} \\ \frac{\partial q}{\partial \nu} = 0 \text{ on } \Sigma \\ q(T) = \end{cases}$$
(1.6)

Where (.)' is the partial derivative with respect to time  $t, h, u \in (L^2(\mathcal{U}))^2$ .

**Remark 2.5.** System (1.6) is a backward parabolic problem. It appears under this form in J.L.Lions sentinels theory as the associated adjoint state.

Multiply (1.6) by  $y_{\tau}$  and integrate by parts. We have

$$(q(0), y_{\tau}(0)) + \int_{\Sigma} \left( \frac{\partial \Delta q}{\partial \nu} y_{\tau} - \Delta q \frac{\partial y_{\tau}}{\partial \nu} + \frac{\partial q}{\partial \nu} \Delta y_{\tau} - q \frac{\partial \Delta y_{\tau}}{\partial \nu} \right) d\Sigma = 0$$

But  $y_{\tau} = 0, \frac{\partial y_{\tau}}{\partial \nu} = 0$  on  $\Sigma$ . So we get

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} \mathcal{S}(0,0) = (q(0), \hat{y}_0) \tag{1.7}$$

so that (1.5) is equivalent to

$$\left\|q\left(x,0\right)\right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \le \epsilon \tag{1.8}$$

There is thus business with a problem of the type "approximate controllability with zero" (with, an operator of the 4th order in x)

#### The main result

The main result is the following

**Lemma 2.6.** Let  $v \in L^{2}(\mathcal{U})$ . Then there is no  $\rho \in L^{2}(\mathcal{Q})$ ,  $\rho \neq 0$  such that  $\rho$  satisfies

$$\begin{cases}
\rho' + \Delta^2 \rho + f'(y_0) \rho = 0 & in \quad Q \\
\rho = 0 & in \quad Q \\
\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \nu} = 0 & on \quad \Sigma \\
\rho(T) \chi_{\mathcal{O}} = v & on \quad \Sigma
\end{cases}$$
(1.9)

*Proof.* If the problem (1.9) admits a solution, then it is given by

$$\rho(x,t) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \alpha_j(t) u_j(x)$$
(1.10)

Where  $u_j$  are eigenfunctions of

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta u = \lambda u & \text{in } \Omega, \\ u = 0 & \text{on } \Gamma. \end{cases}$$
(1.11)

Differentiate the solution (1.11) once with respect to t and twice with respect to x and substitute these derivatives into the first equation of (1.9). We then obtain

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \left( \alpha'_j(t) + \lambda_j \alpha_j(t) \right) u_j(x) = 0$$
(1.12)

Thus,

$$\alpha'_{j}(t) + \lambda_{j}\alpha_{j}(t) = 0 \tag{1.13}$$

Because  $(u_j)$  form an orthonormal base of  $L^2(\mathcal{Q})$ . Furthermore, the function  $\rho$  satisfies the boundary conditions if and only if

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \alpha_j(t) u_j(x) = v \chi_{\mathcal{O}}$$
(1.14)

As  $v\chi_{\mathcal{O}} \in L^{2}\left(\mathcal{Q}\right)$  then

$$v\chi_{\mathcal{O}} = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \left\langle v\chi_{\mathcal{O}}, u_j \right\rangle_{L^2(\mathcal{Q})} u_j(x)$$
(1.15)

Consequently

$$\alpha_j(t) = \langle v\chi_{\mathcal{O}}, u_j \rangle_{L^2(\mathcal{Q})}$$
(1.16)

Finally, we have

$$\begin{cases} \alpha'_{j}(t) + \lambda_{j}\alpha_{j}(t) = 0 \\ \alpha_{j}(t) = \langle v\chi_{\mathcal{O}}, u_{j} \rangle_{L^{2}(\mathcal{Q})} \end{cases} \text{ in } (0,T), \qquad (1.17)$$

Then the solution of the first order linear is given by

$$\alpha_j(t) = \langle v\chi_{\mathcal{O}}, u_j \rangle_{L^2(\mathcal{Q})} e^{\lambda_j t}$$
(1.18)

Consequently, if the problem (1.9) admits a solution, it is necessarily in the form:

$$\rho(x,t) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \left\langle v\chi_{\mathcal{O}}, u_j \right\rangle_{L^2(\mathcal{Q})} e^{\lambda_j t} u_j(x)$$
(1.19)

We prove now that  $\rho \notin L^2(\mathcal{Q})$ . Indeed,

$$\int_{0}^{T} |\alpha_{j}(t)|^{2} dt = \left| \langle v\chi_{\mathcal{O}}, u_{j} \rangle_{L^{2}(\mathcal{Q})} \right|^{2} \int_{0}^{T} e^{2\lambda_{j}t} dt = \left| \langle v\chi_{\mathcal{O}}, u_{j} \rangle_{L^{2}(\mathcal{Q})} \right|^{2} \left[ \frac{-1}{2\lambda_{j}} + \frac{1}{2\lambda_{j}} e^{2\lambda_{j}T} \right]$$
(1.20)

But,  $\lambda_j$  is the eigenvalue of problem (1.11), then  $\lambda_j \xrightarrow[j \to \infty]{} \infty$ . Consequently,

$$\int_{0}^{T} \left| \alpha_{j} \left( T \right) \right|^{2} dt \xrightarrow[j \mapsto \infty]{} \infty$$
(1.21)

Which means that the series whose general term  $\alpha_j(t)$  is not normally convergent. So, problem (1.9) admits no solution.

**Theorem 2.7.** For  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $h \in (L^2(\mathcal{U}))^2$ , there exists some control u and some state q such that (1.6) and (1.8) hold. Moreover, there exists a unique pair  $(\hat{u}, \hat{q})$  with  $\hat{u}$  of minimal norm in  $(L^2(\mathcal{U}))^2$ , i.e. such that (1.6, 1.8) and (1.4) hold.

*Proof.* Let q be a solution of the system (1.6) and  $q_0$  a solution of the following system

$$\begin{cases}
-q_0' + \Delta^2 q_0 + f'(y_0) q_0 &= 0 \\
q_0 &= h_1 \text{ on } \mathcal{U} \\
q_0 &= 0 \text{ on } \Sigma \\
\frac{\partial q_0}{\partial \nu} &= -h_0 \text{ on } \mathcal{U} \\
\frac{\partial q_0}{\partial \nu} &= 0 \text{ on } \Sigma \\
q_0(T) &= 0
\end{cases}$$
(1.22)

We put

$$q = q_0 + z \tag{1.23}$$

Then, z is the solution of the following problem

$$\begin{cases}
-z' + \Delta^2 z + f'(y_0) z = 0 \\
z = u_1 \text{ on } \mathcal{U} \\
z = 0 \text{ on } \Sigma \\
\frac{\partial z}{\partial \nu} = -u_0 \text{ on } \mathcal{U} \\
\frac{\partial z}{\partial \nu} = 0 \text{ on } \Sigma \\
z(T) = 0
\end{cases}$$
(1.24)

We now introduce the set of states reachable at time 0 defined by

$$\mathcal{F}(0) = \left\{ z\left(u,0\right) \text{ such as } u \in \left(L^{2}(\mathcal{U})\right)^{2} \right\}.$$
(1.25)

It is clear that  $\mathcal{F}(0)$  is a vector subspace of  $L^2(\Omega)$ . According to the **HAHN-BANACH** theorem, it will be dense in  $L^2(\Omega)$  if and only if its orthogonal in  $L^2(\Omega)$  is reduced to zero. As  $\{0\} \subset \mathcal{F}^{\perp}(0)$ , it remains to show that  $\mathcal{F}^{\perp}(0) \subset \{0\}$ . Let  $\rho^0 \in \mathcal{F}^{\perp}(0)$ , then

$$\langle \rho^{0}, z(0) \rangle_{L^{2}(\Omega)} = \int_{\Omega} \rho^{0} z(0) \, dx = 0$$
 (1.26)

Where z is solution of (1.24). It is therefore natural to define the adjoint  $\rho$  of z, this is the solution of the following problem

$$\begin{pmatrix}
\rho' + \Delta^2 \rho + f'(y_0) \rho &= 0 \\
\rho(0) &= \rho^0 \\
\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \nu} &= 0 \text{ on } \Sigma \\
\rho &= 0 \text{ on } \Sigma
\end{cases}$$
(1.27)

Where  $\rho$  is solution of (1.27).

Now multiply the first equation of system (1.24) by  $\rho$ . After integration by parts in Q, it comes

$$\langle z(0), \rho^0 \rangle = \int_{\mathcal{U}} \left[ \left( \Delta \rho \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\partial \Delta \rho}{\partial \nu} \right)^2 \right] d\Sigma$$
 (1.28)

Since z and  $\rho$  are solutions of (1.24) and (1.27) respectively, (1.28) becomes

$$\int_{\mathcal{U}} \left[ \left( \Delta \rho \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\partial \Delta \rho}{\partial \nu} \right)^2 \right] d\Sigma = 0$$
(1.29)

This is equivalent to

$$\Delta \rho = \frac{\partial \Delta \rho}{\partial \nu} = 0 \quad \text{in } \mathcal{U} \tag{1.30}$$

Further using the boundary conditions on  $\rho$  it is seen that the **Cauchy** data are zero on  $\mathcal{U}$ , so

$$\rho = 0 \quad \text{in } \mathcal{U} \tag{1.31}$$

Therefore,  $\rho$  satisfies (1.27) and (1.31) and by applying **MIZOHATA**, we deduce that

 $\rho = 0$  in Q

As a consequence,  $\rho^0 = 0$  which shows that  $\mathcal{F}^{\perp}(0) = \{0\}$ .

### **3** Characterization of optimal control

In this section, we will characterize the optimal control using a result of **Fenchel-Rockafellar** duality.

The optimality system satisfied by  $(\hat{u}, \hat{q})$  is established. Let  $\rho^0 \in L^2(\Omega)$  and  $\rho$  the associated solution of

$$\rho' + \Delta^2 \rho + f'(y_0) \rho = 0$$

$$\rho(0) = \rho^0$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \nu} = 0 \text{ on } \Sigma$$

$$\rho = 0 \text{ on } \Sigma$$
(2.1)

We now introduce the functional  $J_{\epsilon}$  defined by

$$J_{\epsilon}\left(\rho^{0}\right) = \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\mathcal{O}} \rho\left(\frac{1}{2}\rho + h\right) dx dt + \epsilon \left\|\rho^{0}\right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}$$
(2.2)

Consider the following unconstrained problem

$$(P_{\epsilon}): \begin{cases} \min J_{\epsilon} \left(\rho^{0}\right) \\ \rho^{0} \in L^{2} \left(\Omega\right) \end{cases}$$
(2.3)

Then, we have

#### **Proposition 3.1.** *The functional* $J_{\epsilon}$ *defined in* (2.2) *is coercive.*

*Proof.* To prove that  $J_{\epsilon}$  is coercive, it suffices to show the following relation:

$$\lim_{\|\rho^0\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \to \infty} \frac{J_{\epsilon}\left(\rho^0\right)}{\|\rho^0\|_{L^2(\Omega)}} \ge \epsilon$$
(2.4)

Let  $(\rho_j^0) \subset L^2(\Omega)$  be a sequence of initial data for the adjoint system (2.1) with  $\|\rho_j^0\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \longrightarrow \infty$ . We normalize them as follows

$$\widetilde{\rho}_j^0 = \frac{\rho_j^0}{\left\|\rho_j^0\right\|_{L^2(\Omega)}} \tag{2.5}$$

So  $\|\tilde{\rho}_{j}^{0}\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \leq 1$ . On the other hand, let  $\tilde{\rho}_{j}$  be the solution of (2.1) with initial data  $\tilde{\rho}_{j}^{0}$ . Then, we have

$$\frac{J_{\epsilon}\left(\rho_{j}^{0}\right)}{\left\|\rho_{j}^{0}\right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}} = \frac{1}{\left\|\rho_{j}^{0}\right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}} \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\mathcal{O}} \rho_{j}\left(\frac{1}{2}\rho_{j}+h\right) dxdt + \epsilon = \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\mathcal{O}} \widetilde{\rho}_{j}\left(\frac{1}{2}\rho_{j}+h\right) dxdt + \epsilon$$

$$(2.6)$$

We now show that the last integral in equation (2.6) is bounded. Indeed, we know that  $\rho_j$  is the solution of the problem

$$\begin{cases} \rho_j' + \Delta^2 \rho_j + f'(y_0) \rho_j &= 0 & \text{in } \mathcal{Q} \\ \rho_j &= 0 & \text{on } \Sigma \\ \frac{\partial \rho_j}{\partial \nu} &= 0 & \text{on } \Sigma \\ \rho_j(0) &= \rho_j^0 & \text{in } \Omega \end{cases}$$
(2.7)

Multiplying the first equation of system (2.7) by  $\rho_j$  then **integrating by parts** on Q, yields

$$0 = \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \rho_{j}' + \Delta^{2} \rho_{j} + f'(y_{0}) \rho_{j} \right) \rho_{j} dx dt = \frac{1}{2} \left\| \rho_{j}(T) \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} - \frac{1}{2} \left\| \rho_{j}^{0} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} + \left\| \nabla \rho_{j} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2}$$

$$(2.8)$$

By the Poincaré inequality, (2.8) becomes,

$$C_0 \|\rho_j\|_{L^2(\mathcal{Q})}^2 \le \|\nabla\rho_j\|_{L^2(\mathcal{Q})}^2 \le \frac{1}{2} \|\rho_j^0\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2$$
(2.9)

Now, by Cauchy Schwartz inequality, one finds

$$\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\mathcal{O}} \frac{h\rho}{\|\rho_{j}^{0}\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}} dx dt \leq C_{1} \frac{\|\rho_{j}\|_{L^{2}(\mathcal{Q})}}{\|\rho_{j}^{0}\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}}$$
(2.10)

From (2.9), (2.10), we conclude that

$$\int_0^T \int_{\mathcal{O}} \frac{h\rho}{\|\rho_j^0\|_{L^2(\Omega)}} dx dt \le C$$
(2.11)

Returning to relation (2.6), two cases can occur: 1.  $\int_0^T \int_{\mathcal{O}} \tilde{\rho}_j^2 dx dt > 0$ . In this case, we immediately obtain

$$\frac{J_{\epsilon}\left(\rho_{j}^{0}\right)}{\left\|\rho_{j}^{0}\right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}} \xrightarrow[]{\|\rho_{j}^{0}\|}_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \xrightarrow[]{\mapsto +\infty} +\infty.$$

$$(2.12)$$

2.  $\int_0^T \int_{\mathcal{O}} \tilde{\rho}_j^2 dx dt = 0$ . In this case, since  $(\tilde{\rho}_j^0)_j$  is bounded in  $L^2(\Omega)$ , we can extract a subsequence  $(\tilde{\rho}_j^0)_j$  such that:

$$\begin{cases} \tilde{\rho}_{j}^{0} \rightharpoonup \psi^{0} \text{ weakly in } L^{2}\left(\Omega\right), \\ \tilde{\rho}_{j} \rightharpoonup \psi \text{ weakly in } L^{2}\left(0, T; H_{0}^{1}\left(\Omega\right)\right). \end{cases}$$

$$(2.13)$$

Where  $\psi$  is solution of system (2.1) with initial data  $\psi^0$ . Moreover, by lower semi continuity of the norm, it comes

$$\int_0^T \int_{\mathcal{O}} |\psi|^2 \, dx dt \le \liminf \int_0^T \int_{\mathcal{O}} |\widetilde{\rho}_j|^2 \, dx dt = 0 \tag{2.14}$$

Therefore,

$$\psi = 0 \quad \text{in} \quad \mathcal{O} \times (0, T) \tag{2.15}$$

And as  $\psi$  is solution of (2.1), and in view of (2.15), we have

$$\psi = 0 \quad \text{in} \quad \Omega \times (0, T) \tag{2.16}$$

Thus,

$$\widetilde{\rho}_j \to 0$$
 weakly in  $L^2\left(0, T; H^1_0(\Omega)\right)$ . (2.17)

Moreover, from inequality (2.9), we deduce that  $\left(\frac{\rho_j}{\|\rho_j^0\|_{L^2(\Omega)}}\right)_j$  is bounded in  $L^2(0,T; H_0^1(\Omega))$ . Hence

$$\frac{\rho_j}{\left\|\rho_j^0\right\|_{L^2(\Omega)}} \rightharpoonup \xi \text{ in } L^2\left(0, T; H_0^1\left(\Omega\right)\right)$$
(2.18)

But,

$$\widetilde{\rho}_j = \frac{\rho_j}{\left\|\rho_j^0\right\|_{L^2(\Omega)}} \rightharpoonup 0 \tag{2.19}$$

From (2.18) and (2.19), we conclude that

$$\xi' + \Delta^2 \xi + f'(y_0) \xi = 0 \text{ in } L^2(\mathcal{Q})$$
 (2.20)

So by Lemma 2.6, it comes

$$\xi = 0 \quad \text{in} \quad \mathcal{Q} \tag{2.21}$$

As a consequence,

$$\widetilde{\rho}_j = \frac{\rho_j}{\left\|\rho_j^0\right\|_{L^2(\Omega)}} \longmapsto 0 \tag{2.22}$$

But,

$$\frac{J_{\epsilon}\left(\rho_{j}^{0}\right)}{\left\|\rho_{j}^{0}\right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}} = \frac{1}{\left\|\rho_{j}^{0}\right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}} \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\mathcal{O}} \rho_{j}\left(\frac{1}{2}\rho_{j}+h\right) dx dt + \epsilon$$
(2.23)

Thus,

$$\liminf_{j \mapsto +\infty} \frac{J_{\epsilon}\left(\rho_{j}^{0}\right)}{\|\rho_{j}^{0}\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}} \ge \epsilon$$
(2.24)

Hence relation (2.4) is satisfied.

**Theorem 3.2.** Problem (2.3) has a unique solution  $\hat{\rho}^0 \in L^2(\Omega)$ . Furthermore, if  $\hat{\rho}$  is the solution of (2.1) associated to  $\hat{\rho}^0$ , then  $(\hat{u} = \hat{\rho}, q)$  is solution such that (1.6), (1.8) and (1.4) hold.

*Proof.* As  $J_{\epsilon}$  attains its minimum value at  $\hat{\rho}^{0} \in L^{2}(\Omega)$ , then, for any  $\psi^{0} \in L^{2}(\Omega)$  and any  $r \in \mathbb{R}$  we have

$$J_{\epsilon}\left(\hat{\rho}^{0}\right) \leq J_{\epsilon}\left(\hat{\rho}^{0} + r\psi^{0}\right) \Longrightarrow J_{\epsilon}\left(\hat{\rho}^{0} + r\psi^{0}\right) - J_{\epsilon}\left(\hat{\rho}^{0}\right) \geq 0$$
(2.25)

On the other hand,

$$J_{\epsilon}\left(\hat{\rho}^{0}\right) = \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\mathcal{O}} \hat{\rho}\left(\frac{1}{2}\hat{\rho} + h\right) dxdt + \epsilon \left\|\hat{\rho}^{0}\right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}$$
$$J_{\epsilon}\left(\hat{\rho}^{0} + r\psi^{0}\right) = \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\mathcal{O}} \left(\frac{1}{2}\hat{\rho}^{2} + \frac{r^{2}}{2}\psi^{2} + r\hat{\rho}\psi + h\left(\hat{\rho} + r\psi\right)\right) dxd + \sqrt{\varepsilon} \left\|\hat{\rho}^{0} + r\psi^{0}\right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}$$
(2.26)

Substituting (2.26) in (2.25) and after simplifications, we find

$$0 \leq J_{\epsilon} \left( \widehat{\rho}^{0} + r\psi^{0} \right) - J_{\varepsilon} \left( \widehat{\rho}^{0} \right) 0 \leq \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\mathcal{O}} \left( \frac{r^{2}}{2} \psi^{2} + r\psi \left( \widehat{\rho} + h \right) \right) dx dt + \epsilon \left[ \left\| \widehat{\rho}^{0} + r\psi^{0} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} - \left\| \widehat{\rho}^{0} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \right]$$

$$(2.27)$$

On the other hand,

$$\|\hat{\rho}^{0} + r\psi^{0}\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} - \|\hat{\rho}^{0}\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \le |r| \cdot \|\psi^{0}\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}$$
(2.28)

From (2.27) and (2.28), we obtain for any  $\psi^0 \in L^2(\Omega)$  and  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$0 \leq \frac{r^2}{2} \int_0^T \int_{\mathcal{O}} \psi^2 dx dt + \epsilon \left| r \right| \cdot \left\| \psi^0 \right\|_{L^2(\Omega)} + r \int_0^T \int_{\mathcal{O}} \psi \left( \widehat{\rho} + h \right) dx dt$$

Dividing by r > 0 and by passing to the limit  $r \to 0$ , we obtain

$$\epsilon \cdot \left\|\psi^{0}\right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\mathcal{O}} \psi\left(\widehat{\rho} + h\right) dx dt \ge 0$$

The same calculations with r < 0 give

$$\left| \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\mathcal{O}} \psi\left(\widehat{\rho} + h\right) dx dt \right| \leq \epsilon \left\| \psi^{0} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}; \forall \psi^{0} \in L^{2}\left(\Omega\right).$$

Alors if we take  $\hat{u} = \hat{\rho}\chi_{\mathcal{O}}$  in (1.6) and we multiply the first equation of the system (1.6) by  $\psi$  solution of (2.1) and we get after integration by parts over Q,

$$\int_{\Omega} q(0)\psi^0 dx = \int_0^T \int_{\mathcal{O}} (h+\hat{\rho})\psi dx dt$$
(2.29)

It comes from the last two relations:

$$\left|\int_{\Omega} q(0)\psi^{0} dx\right| \leq \epsilon \left\|\psi^{0}\right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}; \forall \psi^{0} \in L^{2}(\Omega).$$

Consequently,

$$\left\|q\left(x,0\right)\right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \le \epsilon.$$
(2.30)

## 4 A use of the concept of sentinel: Detection of pollution And Furtivity

We first introduce some notations

$$M\overrightarrow{h} = M\{h_0, h_1\}$$
(3.1)

Which defines  $M \in \mathcal{L}\left(L^2(\mathcal{U}); L^2(\Omega)\right)$ . The adjoint operator  $M^*$  is given by

$$M^* \rho^0 = \left\{ \Delta \rho \chi_{\mathcal{U}}, \frac{\partial \Delta \rho}{\partial \nu} \chi_{\mathcal{U}} \right\}$$
(3.2)

We will ask

$$P\rho = \left\{ \Delta \rho \chi_{\mathcal{U}}, \frac{\partial \Delta \rho}{\partial \nu} \chi_{\mathcal{U}} \right\}$$
(3.3)

With this notation, the sentinel (1.3) is written

$$\mathcal{S}(\lambda,\tau) = \int_{\mathcal{U}} \left[ \left\langle \overrightarrow{h}, Py(\lambda,\tau) \right\rangle + \left\langle P\rho, Py(\lambda,\tau) \right\rangle \right] d\Sigma$$
(3.4)

It is noted that

$$S(\lambda,\tau) \simeq S(0,0) + \lambda_0 \frac{\partial S}{\partial \lambda_0}(0,0) + \lambda_1 \frac{\partial S}{\partial \lambda_1}(0,0)$$
(3.5)

And

$$\Delta y \chi_{\mathcal{U}} = m_0, \frac{\partial \Delta y}{\partial \nu} \chi_{\mathcal{U}} = m_1 \tag{3.6}$$

Therefore, using (3.6), is obtained by putting  $\vec{m} = \{m_0, m_1\}$ . With the notation (3.6) for the observation of y, and while using (1.3), one thus has

$$\int_{\mathcal{U}} \left[ \left\langle \overrightarrow{h} - P\rho, \overrightarrow{m} - Py_0 \right\rangle \right] d\Sigma \simeq \\
\int_{\mathcal{U}} \left[ \left\langle \overrightarrow{h} - P\rho, P\left(\lambda_0 y_{\lambda_0} + \lambda_1 y_{\lambda_1}\right) \right\rangle \right] d\Sigma$$
(3.7)

In (3.7),  $y_{\lambda_0}$  and  $y_{\lambda_1}$  are defined by

$$\begin{pmatrix}
y'_{\lambda_0} + \Delta^2 y_{\lambda_0} + f'(y_0) y_{\lambda_0} &= 0 & \text{in} & \mathcal{Q} \\
y_{\lambda_0} &= \hat{\xi_0} & \text{on} & \Sigma_0 = \Gamma_0 \times (0, T) \\
y_{\lambda_0} &= 0 & \text{on} & \Sigma \setminus \Sigma_0 \\
\frac{\partial y_{\lambda_0}}{\partial \nu} &= 0 & \text{on} & \Sigma_0 \\
\frac{\partial y_{\lambda_0}}{\partial \nu} &= 0 & \text{on} & \Sigma \setminus \Sigma_0 \\
y_{\lambda_0}(0) &= 0 & \text{on} & \Omega
\end{pmatrix}$$
(3.8)

And

$$\begin{cases} y'_{\lambda_1} + \Delta^2 y_{\lambda_1} + f'(y_0) y_{\lambda_1} &= 0 & \text{in} & \mathcal{Q} \\ y_{\lambda_1} &= 0 & \text{on} & \Sigma_0 = \Gamma_0 \times (0, T) \\ y_{\lambda_1} &= 0 & \text{on} & \Sigma \setminus \Sigma_0 \\ \frac{\partial y_{\lambda_1}}{\partial \nu} &= 0 \hat{\xi_1} & \text{on} & \Sigma_0 \\ \frac{\partial y_{\lambda_1}}{\partial \nu} &= 0 & \text{on} & \Sigma \setminus \Sigma_0 \\ y_{\lambda_1}(0) &= 0 & \text{on} & \Omega \end{cases}$$
(3.9)

That is to say q(h) the state adjoint correspondent with  $u = \rho \chi_{\mathcal{O}}$ .

By multiplying the corresponding equation (1.6) by  $y_{\lambda_0}$  then by  $y_{\lambda_1}$ , one finds, after integrations by parts, that

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial \lambda_0}(0,0) = \int_{\Sigma_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} \Delta q\left(\overrightarrow{h}\right) \widehat{\xi}_0 d\Sigma, \qquad (3.10)$$

And

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial \lambda_1}(0,0) = -\int_{\Sigma_0} \Delta q\left(\overrightarrow{h}\right) \widehat{\xi}_1 d\Sigma.$$
(3.11)

Consequently

$$\int_{\mathcal{U}} \left[ \left\langle \overrightarrow{h} - P\rho, P\left(\lambda_0 y_{\lambda_0} + \lambda_1 y_{\lambda_1}\right) \right\rangle \right] d\Sigma = \int_{\Sigma_0} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} \Delta q\left(\overrightarrow{h}\right) \lambda_0 \widehat{\xi_0} - \Delta q\left(\overrightarrow{h}\right) \lambda_1 \widehat{\xi_1} \right] d\Sigma \quad (3.12)$$

It is the quantity (3.12) which is estimated by the 1st member of (3.7). Pollution  $\left\{\lambda_0\hat{\xi}_0,\lambda_1\hat{\xi}_1\right\}$  is **furtive** for the sentinel defined by  $\overrightarrow{h} = \{h_0,h_1\}$  if

$$\int_{\Sigma_0} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} \Delta q\left(\overrightarrow{h}\right) \lambda_0 \widehat{\xi_0} - \Delta q\left(\overrightarrow{h}\right) \lambda_1 \widehat{\xi_1} \right] d\Sigma = 0$$
(3.13)

There are thus always furtive pollution for a sentinel.

#### **5** Concluding remarks

In this paper we have presented an efficient method to estimate the pollution terms in the parabolic equations of the 4th order with missing initial data condition and perturbuted term or pollution term. The theory used for the identification needs the sentinels method by Lions [22]. And finally, we give the characterization of the weakly sentinel, which permits to identify the pollution parameters.

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