

Observability of Schrödinger equations on abelian covers of compact hyperbolic surfaces

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Lebeau 1992 obtained the observability and control for the Schrödinger equation from an open subset ω at time T under the following geometric control condition (GCC):

Any (generalized) geodesic, meets ω in a time $t \leq T$.

Results in tori

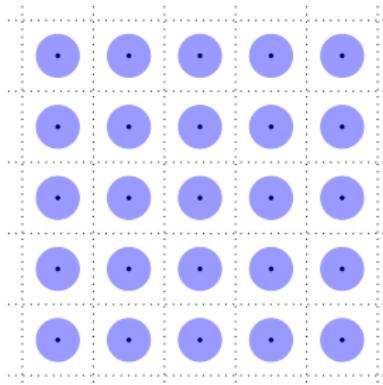
- ▶ $\Omega = \mathbb{T}^d, d \geq 1, \omega$ open: Jaffard 1990, Haraux 1989 (in dimension 2), Komornik 1992 (in higher dimension).
- ▶ $\Omega = \mathbb{T}^d$, potential $V \in C^\infty$, ω open: Burq and Zworski 2012.
- ▶ $\Omega = \mathbb{T}^2$, potential $V \in L^2$, ω open: Bourgain, Burq, and Zworski 2013.
- ▶ $\Omega = \mathbb{T}^1, \mathbb{T}^2$, ω measurable: Burq and Zworski 2019.

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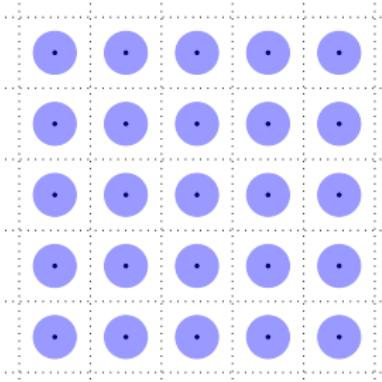
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$d = 1$, S thick: Su, Sun, and Yuan 2023 using a different method.

$d = 2$, ω measurable and $|\omega| > 0$: Le Balc'H and Martin 2023.

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$\forall \theta \in [0, 1]^d$, apply the Bloch transform to the Schrödinger equation, we obtain

$$\longrightarrow i\partial_t \mathcal{F}(u)(y, \theta) = -\Delta_\theta \mathcal{F}(u)(y, \theta)$$

where $\Delta_\theta = \Delta$ with θ -quasiperiodic boundary condition

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Its observability inequality is given by

$$\|v_0\|_{L^2(\mathbb{T}^d)}^2 \leq C_\theta \int_0^T \|e^{it\Delta_\theta} v_0\|_{L^2(\omega)}^2 dt, \quad \forall v_0 \in L^2(\mathbb{T}^2) \quad (\mathbf{Obs}_\theta)$$

(\mathbf{Obs}) in $\mathbb{R}^d \xrightarrow{\text{Bloch Theorem}}$ a family of (\mathbf{Obs}_θ) with constants C_θ uniformly bounded.

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connection ∇^ρ on a unitary flat bundle $E^\rho \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^d$

More general setting

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General scheme abstracted from the Euclidean case

Obs on X from the
 γ -invariant set
 $S = \bigcup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \gamma\omega$

$\xrightarrow{\text{Bloch transform}}$
 $\xleftarrow{\text{Bloch theorem}}$

Obs $_{\rho}$ over bundle
 $E^{\rho} \rightarrow M$ with
uniform constants C_{θ}

Moduli spaces of irreducible representations

Define

$$\mathcal{M}_\Gamma^n := \text{Hom}_{\text{irr}}(\Gamma, U(n))/U(n).$$

For torus, it only has $n = 1$ “parametrized space” (moduli space) of irreducible representations

$$\mathcal{M}_\Gamma^1 = \text{Hom}_{\text{irr}}(\Gamma, U(1)) = (\chi \mapsto (\chi(\gamma_1), \dots, \chi(\gamma_d))) \simeq \mathbb{R}^d/\mathbb{Z}^d.$$

In general, we have (e.g., surface Σ_g with genus g)

$$\mathcal{M}_\Gamma := \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \text{Hom}_{\text{irr}}(\Gamma, U(n))/U(n).$$

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- ▶ $\text{End}(\mathbb{C}^n)$: space of endomorphisms of \mathbb{C}^n .
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$\forall \psi \in C_{\text{cpt}}(\Gamma) \otimes \mathcal{H}_0, \forall [\rho] \in \mathcal{M}_\Gamma$,

$$\mathcal{B}(\psi)([\rho]) := \left[\rho, \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \psi(\gamma) \rho(\gamma) \right] \in \mathcal{V}_{[\rho]}^{\dim([\rho])} \otimes \mathcal{H}_0.$$

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We extend the above semiclassical control to flat bundles:

$$\begin{aligned} \|u\|_{L^2(M, F^\rho)} &\leq \mathbf{C}(a, M) \left(\|\mathrm{Op}_h(a\mathrm{Id}_{F^\rho})u\|_{L^2(M, F^\rho)} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + |\log h|/h \|(-h^2\Delta^\rho - \mathrm{Id})u\|_{L^2(M, F^\rho)} \right). \end{aligned}$$

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The above Bloch Theorem + uniform semiclassical control on flat bundles \Rightarrow Observability inequality on X :

Theorem (Y. Gong–X. Fu–W.)

Γ group of type I, $M = X/\Gamma$ compact hyperbolic surface, S γ -invariant nonempty open set. \Rightarrow observability inequality from S .

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Two main reasons:

- ▶ We do not have a strong version of hyperbolic Bloch Theorem for \mathbb{H} over Σ_g .
- ▶ The moduli space of irreducible unitary representations is noncompact.

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