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résumé de l'exposé

Objet du séminaire : Systèmes dissipatifs distribués

Dans le cadre de la théorie comportementale, on introduit la classe des systèmes passifs décrits par des EDP linéaires et des taux d'entrée quadratiques en les variables du système et leurs dérivées partielles. La construction du stockage et du flux se ramène à la factorisation de polynômes multivariés matriciels.

The notion of a dissipative dynamical system was introduced in the early 1970's. It generalizes the idea of a Lyapunov function to 'open' dynamical systems. This concept has found applications in diverse areas of systems and control, for example, in stability theory, system norm estimation, and robust control. A central problem that emerges is the construction of a storage function. It is this problem that brought LMI's to the foreground.

The main topic of this talk is distributed dissipative systems. First some basic system theoretic concepts for systems described by linear constant coefficient PDE's are discussed, within the behavioral framework. Issues as sub-module characterizations, elimination, and controllability and observability are introduced.

Subsequently, dissipative systems described by linear PDE's and supply rates that are quadratic expressions in the system variables and their partial derivatives are defined. The dissipation inequality for such systems involves, in addition to the storage function, also the flux. The construction of the storage and the flux reduces to the factorization of polynomial matrices in many variables. This leads straight to Hilbert's 17-th problem regarding the sum-of-squares representation of nonnegative polynomials in many variables. Throughout the talk, Maxwell's equations will be used as the paradigmatic example.

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