

Fractional representation approach to analysis and synthesis problems

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Introduction

- The **fractional representation approach to analysis and synthesis problems** developed by Desoer, Callier, Vidyasagar, Francis... was successful for finite-dimensional systems.

M. Vidyasagar, *Control System Synthesis: A Factorization Approach*, MIT Press, 1985.

- However, it is still in progress for infinite-dimensional systems.

R. F. Curtain, H. J. Zwart, *An Introduction to ∞ -Dimensional Linear Systems Theory*, TAM 21, Springer, 1991.

as well as for multidimensional systems:

Z. Lin, "Output feedback stabilizability and stabilization of linear nD systems", in *Multidimensional Signals, Circuits and Systems*, chapter 4, Taylor & Francis, 2001, 59 -76.

Transfer functions

- Ordinary differential equation:

$$\dot{z}(t) = z(t) + u(t), \quad z(0) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \widehat{z}(s) = \frac{1}{(s-1)} \widehat{u}(s).$$

- Differential time-delay equation:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{z}(t) = z(t) + u(t), & x(0) = 0, \\ y(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 \leq t < h, \\ z(t-h), & t \geq h, \end{cases} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \widehat{y}(s) = \frac{e^{-hs}}{(s-1)} \widehat{u}(s).$$

- Partial differential equation:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial t^2}(x, t) - a^2 \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2}(x, t) = 0, \\ z(x, 0) = 0, \quad \frac{\partial z}{\partial t}(x, 0) = 0, \\ z(0, t) = u(t), \quad z(l, t) = 0, \\ y(t) = z(\bar{x}, t), \end{cases} \Rightarrow \widehat{y}(s) = \frac{\left(e^{-\frac{\bar{x}}{a}s} - e^{-\frac{(2l-\bar{x})s}{a}} \right)}{\left(1 - e^{-\frac{2a}{l}s} \right)} \widehat{u}(s).$$

Examples of transfer functions

- Heat equation:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial z}{\partial t}(x, t) - \lambda^2 \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2}(x, t) = 0, \\ z(x, 0) = 0, \\ z(0, t) = u(t), \quad z(l, t) = 0, \\ y(t) = z(\bar{x}, t), \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \hat{y}(s) = \frac{(e^{\lambda(l-\bar{x})\sqrt{s}} - e^{-\lambda(l-\bar{x})\sqrt{s}})}{(e^{\lambda l\sqrt{s}} - e^{-\lambda l\sqrt{s}})} \hat{u}(s).$$

- Telegraph equation:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial t^2}(x, t) - a^2 \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2}(x, t) - k z(x, t) = 0, \\ z(x, 0) = 0, \quad \frac{\partial z}{\partial t}(x, 0) = 0, \\ z(0, t) = u(t), \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} z(x, t) = 0, \\ y(t) = z(\bar{x}, t), \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \hat{y}(s) = e^{\frac{-\sqrt{s^2-k}}{a} \bar{x}} \hat{u}(s).$$

Example: An electric transmission line

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial V}{\partial x}(x, t) + L \frac{\partial I}{\partial t}(x, t) + R I(x, t) = 0, \\ \frac{\partial I}{\partial x}(x, t) + C \frac{\partial V}{\partial t}(x, t) + G V(x, t) = 0, \\ V(x, 0) = 0, \quad I(x, 0) = 0, \\ V(0, t) = u(t), \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} V(x, t) = 0, \\ V(\bar{x}, t) = y_1(t), \quad I(\bar{x}, t) = y_2(t), \end{array} \right.$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \hat{y}_1(s) \\ \hat{y}_2(s) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} e^{-\sqrt{(Ls+R)(Cs+G)}\bar{x}} \\ \sqrt{\frac{Cs+G}{Ls+R}} e^{-\sqrt{(Ls+R)(Cs+G)}\bar{x}} \end{pmatrix} \hat{u}(s).$$

Discrete systems & filters

- **Z-transform:** $\forall (x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} : \mathcal{Z}((x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{Z}})(z) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} x_n z^{-n}$.

- Let us consider $(y_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ and $(u_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ satisfying:

$$\begin{cases} y_{n+2} - 3y_{n+1} + 2y_n = 2u_{n+1} + 2u_n, \\ y_0 = 0, \\ y_1 = 0. \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{Z}(y)(z) = \frac{2(z^{-1}+1)}{z^{-2}-3z^{-1}+2} \mathcal{Z}(u)(z) = \frac{2(z^2+z)}{2z^2-3z+1} \mathcal{Z}(u)(z).$$

- $\mathbf{j} = (j_1, \dots, j_n) \in \mathbb{Z}^n$, $\mathbf{k} = (k_1, \dots, k_n) \in \mathbb{Z}^n$,

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{k} - \mathbf{j} = (k_1 - j_1, \dots, k_n - j_n).$$

- **n-D filters:** $y(\mathbf{k}) = (h \star u)(\mathbf{k}) = \sum_{\mathbf{j} \in \mathbb{Z}^n} h(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{j}) u(\mathbf{j})$.

$$\mathcal{Z}((h(\mathbf{k}))_{\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}^n}) = \sum_{\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}^n} h(\mathbf{k}) z^{-\mathbf{k}}, \quad z^{-\mathbf{k}} := z_1^{-k_1} \dots z_n^{-k_n}.$$

The fractional representation approach

- (Zames) The set of transfer functions has the structure of an algebra (parallel $+$, serie \circ , proportional feedback \cdot by \mathbb{R}).
- (Vidyasagar) Let A be an algebra of stable transfer functions with a structure of an integral domain ($ab = 0 \Rightarrow a = 0 \vee b = 0$).

$Q(A) = \{p = n/d \mid 0 \neq d, n \in A\}$ represents the class of systems.

$$p \in A \Leftrightarrow p \text{ is stable, } p \in K \setminus A \Leftrightarrow p \text{ is unstable}$$

- (Zames) The algebra A should be a normed algebra so that the errors in the modelization & approximation of the real plant by the mathematical model can be considered

(e.g., Banach algebra: $\|ab\|_A \leq \|a\|_A \|b\|_A, \|1\|_A = 1$).

Example: Hardy algebra $H^\infty(\mathbb{C}_+)$

- Let us define the right half plane $\mathbb{C}_+ = \{s \in \mathbb{C} \mid \operatorname{Re} s > 0\}$.
- The **Hardy algebra** $H^\infty(\mathbb{C}_+)$ (Banach algebra) is defined by:

$$H^\infty(\mathbb{C}_+) = \{\text{holomorphic fcts in } \mathbb{C}_+ \mid \|f\|_\infty = \sup_{s \in \mathbb{C}_+} |f(s)| < +\infty\}.$$

- The Hardy algebra $H^\infty(\mathbb{C}_+)$ is the algebra of transfer functions of $L^2(\mathbb{R}_+) - L^2(\mathbb{R}_+)$ -stable shift-invariant ∞ -dimensional systems.

- $RH_\infty = \mathbb{R}(s) \cap H^\infty(\mathbb{C}_+)$

$$= \left\{ \frac{n}{d} \mid 0 \neq d, n \in \mathbb{R}[s], \deg n \leq \deg d, d(s_*) = 0 \Rightarrow \operatorname{Re} s_* < 0 \right\}$$

is the algebra of exponentially-stable finite-dimensional plants.

Example: Wiener algebra

- $L^1(\mathbb{R}_+) = \{f : [0, +\infty[\rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid \|f\|_1 = \int_0^{+\infty} |f(t)| dt < +\infty\},$

$$l^1(\mathbb{Z}_+) = \{a : \mathbb{Z}_+ = \{0, 1, \dots\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid \|(a_i)_{i \in \mathbb{Z}_+}\|_1 = \sum_{i=0}^{+\infty} |a_i| < +\infty\}.$$

- The **Wiener algebra** \mathcal{A} is defined by:

$$\mathcal{A} = \left\{ f = g + \sum_{i=0}^{+\infty} a_i \delta_{(t-h_i)} \mid g \in L^1(\mathbb{R}_+), (a_i)_{i \in \mathbb{Z}_+} \in l^1(\mathbb{Z}_+), \right. \\ \left. 0 = h_0 \leq h_1 \leq h_2 \leq \dots \right\}.$$

- \mathcal{A} is a **Banach algebra** w.r.t. $\|f\|_{\mathcal{A}} = \|g\|_1 + \|(a_i)_{i \in \mathbb{Z}_+}\|_1$.
- $\hat{\mathcal{A}} = \{\mathcal{L}(f) \mid f \in \mathcal{A}\}$, $\|\hat{f}\|_{\hat{\mathcal{A}}} = \|f\|_{\mathcal{A}}$.
- \mathcal{A} is the algebra of $L^\infty(\mathbb{R}_+) - L^\infty(\mathbb{R}_+)$ -stable shift-invariant ∞ -dimensional systems.

Example: structural stabilizable n -D systems

- $\bar{\mathbb{D}}^n := \{z = (z_1, \dots, z_n) \in \mathbb{C}^n \mid \forall i = 1, \dots, n, |z_i| \leq 1\}$
the closed **unit polydisc** of \mathbb{C}^n .

- The ring of **structural stabilizable n -D systems**:

$$\mathbb{R}(z)_S := \left\{ \frac{r}{s} \mid 0 \neq s, r \in \mathbb{R}[z_1, \dots, z_n], s(z) = 0 \Rightarrow z \notin \bar{\mathbb{D}}^n \right\}.$$

- $\mathcal{Z}(h(\mathbf{k})_{\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}^n}) \in A$ implies the **BIBO stability of the filter**

$$u \in l^\infty(\mathbb{Z}^n) \mapsto y = h \star u \in l^\infty(\mathbb{Z}^n),$$

i.e., we have $(h(\mathbf{k})_{\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}^n}) \in l^1(\mathbb{Z}^n)$, i.e.:

$$\sum_{\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}^n} |h(\mathbf{k})| < +\infty.$$

- M. Benidir, M. Barret, *Stabilité des filtres et des systèmes linéaires*, Dunod, 1999.

Examples

- RH_∞ (algebra of exponentially-stable finite-dimensional plants):

$$p = \frac{1}{s-1} = \frac{\left(\frac{1}{s+1}\right)}{\left(\frac{s-1}{s+1}\right)}, \quad \frac{1}{s+1}, \quad \frac{s-1}{s+1} \in RH_\infty \Rightarrow p \in Q(RH_\infty).$$

- $\hat{\mathcal{A}}$ (algebra of BIBO-stable ∞ -dimensional plants):

$$p = \frac{e^{-hs}}{s-1} = \frac{\left(\frac{e^{-hs}}{s+1}\right)}{\left(\frac{s-1}{s+1}\right)}, \quad \frac{e^{-hs}}{s+1}, \quad \frac{s-1}{s+1} \in \hat{\mathcal{A}} \Rightarrow p \in Q(\hat{\mathcal{A}}).$$

- $H^\infty(\mathbb{C}_+)$ (algebra of $L^2(\mathbb{R}_+)$ -stable ∞ -dimensional plants):

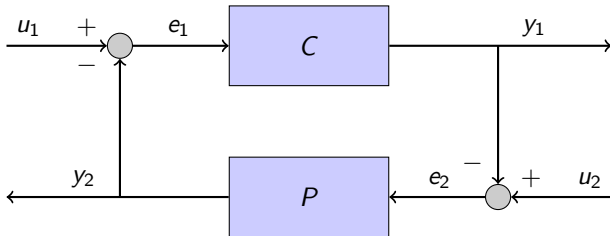
$$p = \frac{(1 + e^{-2s})}{(1 - e^{-2s})} \in Q(H^\infty(\mathbb{C}_+)) : 1 + e^{-2s}, 1 - e^{-2s} \in H^\infty(\mathbb{C}_+).$$

- $R(z)_s$ (algebra of structural stable filters):

$$p = \frac{2z(z+1)}{2z^2 - 3z + 1} = \frac{r}{s}, \quad r = \frac{2z(z+1)}{(z+2)^2}, \quad s = \frac{2z^2 - 3z + 1}{(z+2)^2}.$$

Internal stabilization

- Let A be an algebra of stable transfer function, $K := Q(A)$.
- Let $P \in K^{q \times r}$ be a plant and $C \in K^{r \times q}$ a controller.



$$\begin{pmatrix} e_1 \\ e_2 \end{pmatrix} = H(P, C) \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad H(P, C) := \begin{pmatrix} I_q & P \\ C & I_r \end{pmatrix}^{-1}.$$

- **Definition:** $P \in K^{q \times r}$ is **internally stabilizable** iff there exists a stabilizing controller $C \in K^{r \times q}$, i.e., such that:

$$H(P, C) = \begin{pmatrix} (I_q - PC)^{-1} & -(I_q - PC)^{-1}P \\ -C(I_q - PC)^{-1} & I_r + C(I_q - PC)^{-1}P \end{pmatrix} \in A^{(q+r) \times (q+r)}.$$

Idempotents of $A^{(q+r) \times (q+r)}$

- **Lemma:** $P \in K^{q \times r}$ is stabilized by $C \in K^{r \times q}$ iff 1 \Leftrightarrow 2 holds:

- 1 The matrix

$$\Pi_C = \begin{pmatrix} (I_q - PC)^{-1} & -(I_q - PC)^{-1}P \\ C(I_q - PC)^{-1} & -C(I_q - PC)^{-1}P \end{pmatrix}$$

satisfies $\Pi_C^2 = \Pi_C \in A^{(q+r) \times (q+r)}$.

- 2 The matrix

$$\Pi_P = \begin{pmatrix} -P(I_r - CP)^{-1}C & P(I_r - CP)^{-1} \\ -(I_r - CP)^{-1}C & (I_r - CP)^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

satisfies $\Pi_P^2 = \Pi_P \in A^{(q+r) \times (q+r)}$.

- We have $\Pi_C + \Pi_P = I_{q+r}$: complementary idempotents.

$$\begin{pmatrix} e_1 \\ y_1 \end{pmatrix} = \Pi_C \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} y_2 \\ e_2 \end{pmatrix} = \Pi_P \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Characterization of stabilizability

$$\Pi_C^2 = \Pi_C \in A^{(q+r) \times (q+r)} \Rightarrow \Pi_C A^{(q+r) \times 1} \oplus \ker_A(\Pi_C \cdot) = A^{q+r}.$$

$$\Pi_P^2 = \Pi_P \in A^{(q+r) \times (q+r)} \Rightarrow A^{1 \times (q+r)} \Pi_P \oplus \ker_A(\cdot \Pi_P) = A^{1 \times (q+r)}.$$

• **Definition:** A finitely generated (f.g.) A -module M is **projective** if there exist $r \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ and an A -module P such that $M \oplus P \cong A^r$.

• The f.g. A -module $M_C := \Pi_C A^{(q+r) \times 1}$ is **projective** of rank q .

• The f.g. A -module $M_P := A^{1 \times (q+r)} \Pi_P$ is **projective** of rank r .

• **Theorem (A.Q. 06):** P is internally stabilizable iff 1 \Leftrightarrow 2 holds:

① $\mathcal{L} := (I_q \quad -P) A^{(q+r) \times 1}$ is a **projective lattice of K^q** isomorphic to $M_C := \Pi_C A^{(q+r) \times 1}$.

② $\mathcal{M} := A^{1 \times (q+r)} (P^T \quad I_r^T)^T$ is a **projective lattice of $K^{1 \times r}$** isomorphic to $M_P := A^{1 \times (q+r)} \Pi_P$.

Characterization of stabilizability

- Let $C \in K^{r \times q}$ be a stabilizing controller of $P \in K^{q \times r}$ and:
 - $S_o = (I_q - P C)^{-1}$ is the **output sensitivity transfer matrix**.
 - $U = C (I_q - P C)^{-1} = (I_r - C P)^{-1} C$.
 - $S_i = (I_r - C P)^{-1}$ is the **input sensitivity transfer matrix**.

$$\mathcal{L} = (I_q \quad -P) A^{(q+r) \times 1} \xrightarrow{\iota_1} M_C = \Pi_C A^{(q+r) \times 1}$$
$$\eta_1 = (I_q \quad -P) \xi \mapsto (S_o^T \quad U^T)^T \eta_1 = \Pi_C \xi,$$

$$\mathcal{M} = A^{1 \times (q+r)} (P^T \quad I_r^T)^T \xrightarrow{\iota_2} M_P = A^{1 \times (q+r)} \Pi_P$$
$$\eta_2 = \mu (P^T \quad I_r^T)^T \mapsto \eta_2 (-S_i \quad U) = \mu \Pi_P.$$

- ι_1 and ι_2 are two **injective** A -linear maps since:

$$S_o - P U = I_q \Rightarrow \eta_1 = (S_o - P U) \eta_1 = (I_q \quad -P) \iota_1(\eta_1),$$

$$S_i - U P = I_r \Rightarrow \eta_2 = \eta_2 (S_i - U P) = -\iota_2(\eta_2) (I_r^T \quad P^T)^T.$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{L} \cong \iota_1(\mathcal{L}) = M_C, \quad \mathcal{M} \cong \iota_2(\mathcal{M}) = M_P.$$

Coprime factorization

- **Definition:** A transfer matrix $P \in K^{q \times r}$ admits a **left-coprime factorization** if there exist $D \in A^{q \times q}$, $\det D \neq 0$, $N \in A^{q \times r}$, $X \in A^{q \times q}$ and $Y \in A^{r \times q}$ such that

$$P = D^{-1} N, \quad DX - NY = I_q.$$

- **Definition:** A transfer matrix $P \in K^{q \times r}$ admits a **right-coprime factorization** if there exist $\tilde{D} \in A^{r \times r}$, $\det \tilde{D} \neq 0$, $\tilde{N} \in A^{q \times r}$, $\tilde{X} \in A^{r \times r}$, $\tilde{Y} \in A^{r \times q}$, such that:

$$P = \tilde{N} \tilde{D}^{-1}, \quad -\tilde{Y} \tilde{N} + \tilde{X} \tilde{D} = I_r.$$

- **Definition:** A transfer matrix $P \in K^{q \times r}$ admits a **doubly-coprime factorization** if it admits a left and a right coprime factorization $P = D^{-1} N = \tilde{N} \tilde{D}^{-1}$ such that:

$$\begin{pmatrix} D & -N \\ -\tilde{Y} & \tilde{X} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X & \tilde{N} \\ Y & \tilde{D} \end{pmatrix} = I_{q+r}.$$

Coprime factorization

• **Definition:** A f.g. A -module M is **free** if there exists $r \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ such that $M \cong A^r$, i.e., admits a **basis**.

• If $P = D^{-1}N$ is a **left coprime factorization** of $P \in K^{q \times r}$ with

$$\begin{aligned}(D \quad -N) \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \end{pmatrix} &= I_q \quad \Rightarrow \quad (D \quad -N) A^{(q+r) \times 1} = A^q. \\ \Rightarrow \quad \mathcal{L} &= (I_q \quad -P) A^{(q+r) \times 1} = (I_q \quad -D^{-1}N) A^{(q+r) \times 1} \\ &= D^{-1} ((D \quad -N) A^{(q+r) \times 1}) = D^{-1} A^{q \times 1},\end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow the columns of D^{-1} form a basis of \mathcal{L} , i.e., \mathcal{L} is a **free lattice**.

• If \mathcal{L} is **lattice**, then there exists $U \in K^{q \times q}$, $\det U \neq 0$, such that $\mathcal{L} = (I_q \quad -P) A^{(q+r) \times 1} = U A^q$, i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned}\exists D \in A^{q \times q}, \quad N \in A^{q \times r}, \quad X \in A^{q \times q}, \quad Y \in A^{r \times q} : \\ I_q = UD, \quad P = UN, \quad U = I_q X - PY \\ \Rightarrow U^{-1} = D, \quad P = D^{-1}N, \quad DX - NY = I_q.\end{aligned}$$

Coprime factorization

- **Proposition (A.Q. 06):** $P \in K^{q \times r}$ admits a **left-coprime factorization** iff there exists $D \in A^{q \times q}$ such that $\det D \neq 0$ and

$$\mathcal{L} := (I_q \quad -P) A^{q+r} = D^{-1} A^q,$$

i.e., iff \mathcal{L} is a **free lattice of K^q** , namely, $\mathcal{L} \cong A^q$.

- **Proposition (A.Q. 06):** $P \in K^{q \times r}$ admits a **right-coprime factorization** if there exists $\tilde{D} \in A^{r \times r}$ such that $\det \tilde{D} \neq 0$ and

$$\mathcal{M} := A^{1 \times (q+r)} \begin{pmatrix} P \\ I_r \end{pmatrix} = A^{1 \times r} \tilde{D}^{-1},$$

i.e., iff \mathcal{M} is a **free lattice of $K^{1 \times r}$** , namely, $\mathcal{M} \cong A^{1 \times r}$.

- **Remark:** A f.g. free A -module M is projective ($M \oplus 0 \cong A^r$).
- **Question:** When does a f.g. projective A -module free?

Parametrization of all the stabilizing controllers

- **Theorem (A.Q. 06):** Let $P \in K^{q \times r}$ be an internally stabilizable plant. Then, all stabilizing controllers of P have the form

$$C(Q) = (U + \Lambda)(S_o + P\Lambda)^{-1} = (S_i + \Lambda P)^{-1}(U + \Lambda), \quad (*)$$

where C_* is any stabilizing controller of P ,

$$\begin{cases} S_o = (I_q - P C_*)^{-1} \in A^{q \times q}, \\ U = C_* (I_q - P C_*)^{-1} = (I_r - C_* P)^{-1} C_* \in A^{r \times q}, \\ S_i = (I_r - C_* P)^{-1} \in A^{r \times r}, \end{cases}$$

and Q is any matrix which belongs to the projective A -module

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \{\Lambda \in A^{r \times q} \mid \Lambda P \in A^{r \times r}, P\Lambda \in A^{q \times q}, P\Lambda P \in A^{q \times r}\}, \\ &= (-U \quad S_i) A^{(q+r) \times (q+r)} (S_o^T \quad U^T)^T. \end{aligned}$$

and satisfies $\det(S_o + P\Lambda) \neq 0$ and $\det(S_i + \Lambda P) \neq 0$.

Youla-Kučera parametrization

- **Corollary:** Let $P \in K^{q \times r}$ be a transfer matrix which admits a doubly coprime factorization:

$$\begin{cases} P = D^{-1} N = \tilde{N} \tilde{D}^{-1}, \\ \begin{pmatrix} D & -N \\ -\tilde{Y} & \tilde{X} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X & \tilde{N} \\ Y & \tilde{D} \end{pmatrix} = I_{q+r}. \end{cases}$$

Then, we have:

$$S_o = X D, \quad U = Y D = \tilde{D} \tilde{Y}, \quad S_i = \tilde{D} \tilde{X}.$$

Moreover, the set Ω of free parameters of (\star) satisfies:

$$\Omega = \tilde{D} A^{r \times q} D, \text{ i.e., } \Lambda = \tilde{D} Q D, \quad Q \in A^{r \times q}.$$

Then all stabilizing controllers of P have the form

$$C(Q) = (Y + \tilde{D} Q)(X + \tilde{N} Q)^{-1} = (\tilde{X} + Q N)^{-1} (\tilde{Y} + Q D),$$

for all $Q \in A^{r \times q}$ s.t. $\det(X + \tilde{N} Q) \neq 0$ and $\det(\tilde{X} + Q N) \neq 0$.

Z. Lin's conjecture

- **Z. Lin's problems (1998):**
 - ① Determine whether or not an internally stabilizable n -D linear system defined by $P \in \mathbb{R}(z_1, \dots, z_n)^{q \times r}$ admits a doubly coprime factorization over A .
 - ② Parametrize all stabilizing controllers for an internally stabilizable n -D system $P \in \mathbb{R}(z_1, \dots, z_n)^{q \times r}$.
- **Z. Lin's conjecture:** If P is internally stabilizable, then P admits a doubly coprime factorization.

Z. Lin's conjecture is true

- **Theorem:** (Deligne; Kamen-Khargonekar-Tannenbaum (ACAP 84), Byrnes-Spong-Tarn (MST 84)):

The ring of structural stabilizable n -D systems

$$\mathbb{R}(z)_S = \left\{ \frac{r}{s} \mid 0 \neq s, r \in \mathbb{R}[z_1, \dots, z_n], s(\underline{z}) = 0 \Rightarrow \underline{z} \notin \overline{\mathbb{D}^n} \right\}.$$

is **projective-free**, i.e., finitely generated projective A -modules are free.

- **Corollary** (Q. 06): Z. Lin's conjecture is true.
- **Remark:** Deligne's proof is not constructive!

Neutral time-delay systems

- $0 < h_1 < \dots < h_n$ rationally independent set of reals.
- $\partial x(t) = \dot{x}(t), \quad \delta_i x(t) = x(t - h_i), \quad i = 1, \dots, n.$
- **Differential time-delay linear systems:**

$$D(\delta_1, \dots, \delta_n) \frac{dx(t)}{dt} = A(\delta_1, \dots, \delta_n) x(t) + B(\delta_1, \dots, \delta_n) u(t).$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx(t)}{dt} = (D(\delta)^{-1} A(\delta)) x(t) + (D(\delta)^{-1} B(\delta)) u(t).$$

- $\mathcal{L}(D(\delta_1, \dots, \delta_n)) = D(e^{-h_1 s}, \dots, e^{-h_n s})$, where:

$$\forall i = 1, \dots, n, \quad |e^{-h_i s}| \leq 1.$$

- **Uniform asymptotical stability independent of delay**

$$\Rightarrow \forall h_i \geq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n, \quad \forall s \in \mathbb{C}_+, \quad \det(D(e^{-h_1 s}, \dots, e^{-h_n s})) \neq 0$$

\Rightarrow **systems over the ring $\mathbb{R}(\delta)_S$** ($D = \mathbb{R}(\delta)_S[\frac{d}{dt}]$):

$$\dot{x}(t) = A'(\delta) x(t) + B'(\delta) u(t), \quad A'(\delta) \in \mathbb{R}(z)_S^{n \times n}, \quad B'(\delta) \in \mathbb{R}(z)_S^{n \times m}.$$

Scientific program

- **Participants:** Yacine, Thomas, Hugues, Alban.
- Based on **computer algebra techniques**

(Gröbner bases, CAD, computational algebraic geometry, ...),
constructive module theory and constructive homological algebra,
we want to study the following problems:

1. For $d \in \mathbb{R}[z_1, \dots, z_n]$, study the **semi-algebraic set**:

$$E(d) := \{(z_1, \dots, z_n) \in \mathbb{C}^n \mid d(z_1, \dots, z_n) = 0, |z_i| \leq 1, i = 1, \dots, n\}.$$

If $z_k = a_k + i b_k$, $a_k, b_k \in \mathbb{R}$, the problem is equivalent to:

$$\begin{cases} \Re(d(a_1 + i b_1, \dots, a_n + i b_n)) = \alpha(a_1, b_1, \dots, a_n, b_n) = 0, \\ \Im(d(a_1 + i b_1, \dots, a_n + i b_n)) = \beta(a_1, b_1, \dots, a_n, b_n) = 0, \\ a_k^2 + b_k^2 - 1 \leq 0, \quad k = 1, \dots, n. \end{cases}$$

In particular, effectively check whether or not $E(d) = \emptyset$.

2. Algorithmically study the algebra $A := \mathbb{R}(z)_S$:

- Membership problem:

Let $P_1, \dots, P_{m+1} \in A$, check whether or not:

$$P_{m+1} \in I := \sum_{i=1}^m A P_i.$$

Given $R \in A^{q \times p}$ and $\lambda \in A^{1 \times p}$, check whether or not:

$$\exists \mu \in A^{1 \times q} : \mu R = \lambda.$$

- Study the set $\text{Max}(A)$ of the maximal ideals of the ring A :

$$\Rightarrow \exists Q_1, \dots, Q_m \in A : \sum_{i=1}^m Q_i P_i = 1.$$

- Given $R \in A^{q \times p}$, compute the left kernel of matrices:

$$\ker_A(\cdot R) := \{\lambda \in A^{1 \times q} \mid \lambda R = 0\}.$$

- Compute invariants of A : Krull and homological dimensions.

3. Develop a **constructive approach of module theory** over A :
 - free resolutions,
 - functors $\text{ext}_A^i(\cdot, M)$ and $\text{tor}_i^A(\cdot, N)$,
 - projective dimensions,
 - properties: torsion, torsion-free, reflexive, projective, ...
4. Develop a **constructive version of Deligne's proof**:

projective = free.
5. Implement the **different algorithms in dedicated Maple package**.
6. Develop a **H^∞ control theory for multidimensional systems** following Ball's, ..., works.

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