

## Thesis Topic

Research Group  
“Computational Methods in Systems and Control Theory”

### Title

“Kalman-Yakubovič-Popov Lemma for Algebraic Difference Equations”

### Job Description

We consider the algebraic difference equation

$$Ex_{k+1} = Ax_k + Bu_k, \quad x_0 = x^0,$$

with  $E, A \in \mathbb{K}^{n \times n}$ ,  $B \in \mathbb{K}^{n \times m}$ , generalized state vector  $x_k \in \mathbb{K}^n$  and control input vector  $u_k \in \mathbb{K}^m$ . The matrix  $E$  might be singular and therefore the dynamics of  $x_k$  underlies additional hidden algebraic constraints.

In various applications, one often considers rational matrix functions (so called Popov functions or spectral density functions) of the form

$$\Phi(z) = \begin{bmatrix} (\bar{z}E - A)^{-1}B \\ I_m \end{bmatrix}^* \begin{bmatrix} Q & S \\ S^* & R \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} (z^{-1}E - A)^{-1}B \\ I_m \end{bmatrix}, \quad (1)$$

with  $Q = Q^*$  and  $R = R^*$ . Properties of such functions are often related to the solvability of certain linear matrix inequalities (LMIs).

The first task consists of analyzing a conditions for the equivalence between

$$\Phi(e^{i\omega}) \geq 0 \quad \text{for all } e^{i\omega} \notin \Lambda(E, A) \quad (2)$$

and the solvability of the LMI

$$\begin{bmatrix} A^*XA - E^*XE + Q & A^*XB + S \\ B^*XA + S^* & B^*XB + R \end{bmatrix} \geq 0, \quad X = X^*.$$

Similar results obtained for the differential algebraic equation case should be adapted to this problem.

The second part of the thesis is devoted to the characterization of (2) via the eigenstructure of the palindromic matrix pencil

$$\lambda \begin{bmatrix} 0 & E & 0 \\ A^* & Q & S \\ B^* & S^* & R \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 & A & B \\ E^* & Q & S \\ 0 & S^* & R \end{bmatrix}. \quad (3)$$

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For this purpose, properties of the palindromic Kronecker canonical form of the pencil should be analyzed. This step also requires to deal with certain transformations of (1) and (3).

Optionally, different applications of this theory can be taken into account. These include the characterization of certain structural properties of dynamical systems via solvability of LMIs and the eigenstructure of associated palindromic pencils. Furthermore, one might consider the relation of these concepts to the optimal control problem

$$\min \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \begin{bmatrix} x_k \\ u_k \end{bmatrix}^* \begin{bmatrix} Q & S \\ S^* & R \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_k \\ u_k \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{subject to} \quad Ex_{k+1} = Ax_k + Bu_k, \quad x_0 = x^0.$$

## References

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## Job Requirements

*Recommended:* Systems and Control Theory,

*Desirable:* Complex Analysis, Numerical Linear Algebra, Matrix Equations.

## Degree

Diplom or Master