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This report deals with research results obtained at the Center for Mathematical System Theory, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida 32611 in the field of mathematical system theory. Special emphasis was given to the following areas:

(1) Finite-dimensional linear system theory by algebraic methods: linear systems over a ring, algebraic methods in the study of feedback, polynomial methods for the study of linear systems, F mod G invariant subspaces.

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20. ABSTRACT (continued)

(2) Infinite-dimensional linear systems: realization theory of infinite-dimensional linear systems.

(3) Nonlinear system theory: basic properties of polynomial (discrete-time) systems and their realization theory.

(4) Identification problems in economics: study of econometric model building.

The present report is only a brief summary of findings, which are far too technical to be explained in a few pages. The results are being gradually published in the open literature. For details, refer to previous proposals and/or to the publications listed in the references.

The program is expected to continue, the bulk of effort now being devoted to nonlinear problems.

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## 1. TECHNICAL BACKGROUND AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

During many years in the past, funds from this grant were used primarily to support postdoctoral research at the Center for Mathematical System Theory at the University of Florida. During the period covered by this report, the following postdoctorals were involved:

E. EMRE (1977-1980, with interruption)

J. HAMMER (1980 to present)

Such support is limited to two years but is usually less.

In addition, several predoctoral students were also supported, albeit on a much lower financial level. This list includes F. HAMANO, P. KHARGONEKAR, J. RIBERA, Y. YAMAMOTO, and T. GEORGIU. Also supported was the Principal Investigator (partial summer support only) and various short-term visitors (research "consultants") who lectured on their recent work directly relevant to Center research.

A complete list is given in Section 3.

### a. Overview.

During the present four-year period of the grant, the number of publications were much larger than the number during the previous three-year period. (See Final Report, covering the period May 1, 1975 through April 18, 1977.)

This was not due to a large increase of personnel or the diligence of the individuals, but simply to the fact that publications are subject to a long lag. Moreover, in any serious research program, several years may be necessary before the problems become clearly defined but then the results come relatively quickly.

A number of external publications (for example, by ROUCHALEAU, HAZEWINKEL, FLIESS, and KAMEN) have been strongly influenced by the

Center. These are not included in the list in Section 3 which is limited to work that actually carried acknowledgement to the Army Grant to which this report pertains. Even a cursory look at the system-theoretic literature, however, will show that the influence of the Center research went far beyond the work summarized here.

b. Finite-dimensional linear system theory by algebraic methods.

This work constituted the bulk of the research. All members of the Center contributed in various ways, at least through internal discussions and seminars. The effort in this area may be subdivided as follows:

(i) Linear systems over a ring. This topic is concerned with the extension of linear methods to problems where these methods might at first not be expected to be relevant, namely to systems described by "numbers" belonging to an arbitrary (commutative) ring. This may be the ring of integers (where division is not possible) or more abstract quantities, such as polynomials, instead of ordinary numbers.

The fundamental publication, summarizing also earlier results, is ROUCHALEAU and SONTAG [1979]. A major survey article, SONTAG [1976a], was published relatively early, influencing many future publications outside the Center; within the Center, SONTAG [1976b], [1977], [1978a], KHARGONEKAR [1980], and KHARGONEKAR and SONTAG [1981] are the main publications, together with some papers which treat the concomitant mathematical issues such as DICKS and SONTAG [1978].

(ii) Algebraic methods for the study of linear systems. This topic began with a paper by KALMAN in 1965 which showed that linear system theory, especially as regards the method then called "Laplace transform", may be expressed elegantly and powerfully by the study of modules over polynomial rings.

This point of view was greatly extended by HAUTUS and HEYMANN during a joint visit at the Center in 1976, resulting in the major publication HAUTUS and HEYMANN [1978]. In this paper the algebraic machinery involving polynomial rings is extended to the study of various types of formal power series which are especially important in the analysis of feedback.

Partly in collaboration with HEYMANN these results were further generalized by HAMMER [1981a-e], who joined the Center in August 1980 as a research associate. This is a good example of research, which has begun at the Center, having influenced other groups (HEYMANN and HAMMER are both affiliated with the Technion in Israel). See also HAMMER and KHARGONEKAR [1981].

(iii) Polynomial methods for the study of linear systems. A large number of publications, especially by EMRE [1978, 1980a, 1980b] alone as well as in collaboration with members of the Center (see EMRE and HAMANO [1979], EMRE and HAUTUS [1979, 1980], EMRE and KHARGONEKAR [1980]) and also with outsiders (see EMRE and SILVERMAN [1979, 1980a-b]).

(iv)  $F \text{ mod } G$  invariant subspaces. This topic belongs to the so-called geometric theory of control popularized in the early 1970's by WONHAM (Toronto). The object of research at the Center was to show that the cumbersome (and not very powerful) geometric methods of WONHAM can be improved by algebraizing the problem. This problem was studied especially by ANTOULAS (not supported by the ARO), culminating in a doctoral dissertation at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in 1979. Closely related to this are the publications EMRE and HAUTUS [1979, 1980], KHARGONEKAR and EMRE [1980].

A major "breakthrough" was achieved in KALMAN [1979] which showed that the problem of determining  $F \text{ mod } G$ -invariant subspaces may be handled with methods of partial realization theory which, at

first sight, appear to be irrelevant. Recent research at the Center follows this direction but has not been completed as of the writing of this report.

(v) Infinite-dimensional linear systems. The main research effort in this area was the Ph.D. dissertation YAMAMOTO [1978] and subsequent publications based on this work and extending it (see YAMAMOTO [1980] and [1979]).

YAMAMOTO introduced the notion of "topological observability" which means that the initial state of a linear (infinite-dimensional) system may be determined by means of continuous operations on the output data generated by the system. He then showed that if a canonical realization is defined to be one which is quasi reachable and topologically observable then the celebrated uniqueness theorem holds also in the infinite-dimensional case. This clarifies certain difficulties apparent in earlier work by BROCKETT and FUHRMANN who claimed that such a uniqueness theorem cannot hold. YAMAMOTO has been able to show that the Brockett-Fuhrmann claimed "counterexample" is the result of certain technical mathematical misunderstandings. Having cleared up these misunderstandings, research can now proceed further in order to arrive at a workable definition of infinite-dimensional linear systems.

c. Nonlinear system theory.

This problem has been under very active discussion, internal seminar talks, etc. for several years. Research continues but at a relatively modest pace, due to the very great conceptual and technical difficulties involved.

The main work is represented by the Ph.D. dissertation of SONTAG [1978c]. With some additions, this work was subsequently published in book form as SONTAG [1979b]; it could be regarded as the first modern textbook in the application of algebraic-geometric techniques to system theory. The effort needed to study this book



is justified by the very important fact that the uniqueness theorem of canonical realization can be shown to be valid for arbitrary finite-nonlinear (that is, polynomial systems). The first statement and proof of this theorem appears in SONTAG and ROUCHALEAU [1976], and a complete treatment is given in SONTAG [1979b].

In certain special cases more complete results can be obtained, as in KALMAN [1979d]. See also the short survey paper KALMAN [1978].

The investigation begun by SONTAG in connection with realization theory was extended by himself in several directions, especially in regard to the characterization of observers for nonlinear systems. See SONTAG [1978b, 1979a, and 1979c].

A very important part of nonlinear system theory, based on classical invariant theory in pure mathematics, is the determination of invariants of quadratic optimization problems related to the Riccati equation. This topic has been discussed for a long time at the Center and finally solved by KHARGONEKAR in a forthcoming doctoral dissertation (finished after the period covered by this report). This work has quite direct practical implications and is one of the major topics to be emphasized in 1981/1982.

d. Identification problems in economics.

This area of work grew out from the general interest in practical identification problems related to the theoretical investigations supported under this and previous grants.

It turns out that there are serious misunderstandings in economics and econometrics---involving incompletely understood system-theoretic questions---concerning the nature of "identification" interpreted as building mathematical models from economic data. The first publications related to the above "discovery" are KALMAN [1979a, 1979e, 1980, 1982].

This field is under active study; important mathematical results were obtained after the preparatory papers quoted above. These papers are not yet complete as of the date of this report.

e. Reprintings.

This is an interesting illustration of the importance of research supported under predecessors of the present ARO Grant or earlier.

Examples are:

KALMAN [1977a], a paper originally published in 1963.

KALMAN [1979f], a paper originally published in 1964.

KALMAN [1979d], an English translation of a paper written in 1968 but previously published only in Russian.

KALMAN [1979b] is a so-called "citation classic" concerned with a paper published in 1962.

f. General.

The papers published under the grant are generally available from the Center for Mathematical System Theory, without charge as a matter of professional courtesy. However, in view of the high cost of reprints and mailing at the present time, we would prefer not to distribute large quantities of these papers to general ARO mailing lists.

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