# DISSIPATIVE DYNAMICAL SYSTEMS

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## Theme





Assume the variables have a physical meaning, and that a function of the variables means *'supply'*. For example,

- mass flow
- currents *I* and voltages  $V \rightsquigarrow V^{\top}I =$  electrical 'power' rate of electrical energy supplied
- positions q, forces  $F \sim F^{\top} \frac{d}{dt} q =$  mechanical 'power'
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There is a *'supply'*; dissipative: part of the supply is *'lost'*.

- mass flow
  loss: leakage
  - currents *I* and voltages  $V \rightsquigarrow V^{\top}I =$  'electrical power' loss: heat in resistors
  - **•** positions *p*, forces  $F \rightarrow F^{\top} \frac{d}{dt}q =$  'mechanical power' heat loss due to friction

**•** temperature *T* and heat flow  $Q \rightarrow = \frac{Q}{T}$  'entropy flow' irreversibility



How do we formalize this concept?

### **Relevance:**

- System theory for physical systems
- Mechanisms for stability

by interconnecting dissipative systems

- **Robustness**
- Mechanisms for stabilization by adding friction

## Lyapunov functions

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$$V:\mathbb{X} 
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is said to be a *Lyapunov function* for  $\Sigma$  if along  $x \in \mathfrak{B}$ 

 $\frac{d}{dt} V(x(\cdot)) \le 0$ 

Equivalently, if

$$\overset{\bullet}{V}{}^{\Sigma} := \nabla V \cdot f \leq 0.$$

Lyapunov type 'theorem'



$$V(x) > 0$$
 and  $V^{\Sigma}(x) < 0$  for  $0 \neq x \in \mathbb{X}$ 

 $\forall x \in \mathfrak{B}$ , there holds  $x(t) \to 0$  for  $t \to \infty$  'global stability'

 $\Rightarrow$ 



#### Lyapunov f'ns play a remarkably central role in the field.



Aleksandr Mikhailovich Lyapunov (1857-1918) Introduced Lyapunov's 'second method' in his thesis (1899).

## The classical notion of a dissipative system



**'Open' systems** are a much more appropriate starting point for the study of dynamics than 'flows'. For example,



 $\rightsquigarrow$  the dynamical system

$$\Sigma$$
:  $\frac{d}{dt}x = f(x,u), \quad y = h(x,u).$ 

 $u \in \mathbb{U} = \mathbb{R}^{m}, y \in \mathbb{Y} = \mathbb{R}^{p}, x \in \mathbb{X} = \mathbb{R}^{n}$ : input, output, state.

**Behavior**  $\mathfrak{B}$  = all sol'ns  $(u, y, x) : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{U} \times \mathbb{Y} \times \mathbb{X}$ .

**Dissipative dynamical systems** 

#### Now consider



∑ is said to be *dissipative* w.r.t. the supply rate *s* and with storage *V* :⇔

$$\frac{d}{dt}V(x(\cdot)) \le s(u(\cdot), y(\cdot))$$

for all  $(u, y, x) \in \mathfrak{B}$ .

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This inequality is called the *dissipation inequality*.

**Equivalent** to

$$\nabla^{\Sigma}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}) := \nabla V(\mathbf{x}) \cdot f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}) \le s(\mathbf{x}, h(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}))$$
  
for all  $(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{x}) \in \mathbb{U} \times \mathbb{X}$ .

If equality holds: 'conservative' system.



s(u, y) models something like the power delivered to the system when the input value is u and output value is y.

 $V(\mathbf{x})$  then models the internally stored energy.

Dissipativity :⇔ rate of increase of internal energy ≤ power delivered

#### **Basic question:**

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Monitor power in, known dynamics, what is the stored energy?

The construction of storage f'ns is very well understood, particularly for finite dimensional linear systems and quadratic supply rates.

Leads to the KYP-lemma, LMI's, ARIneq, ARE, semi-definite programming, spectral factorization, Lyapunov functions,  $\mathcal{H}_{\infty}$  and robust control, positive and bounded real functions, electrical circuit synthesis, stochastic realization theory.

### **Example:**

$$\frac{d}{dt}x = Ax + Bu, y = Cx, \quad s \rightsquigarrow ||u||^2 - ||y||^2, \quad V \rightsquigarrow x^\top Qx, \quad Q = Q^\top.$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{d}{dt} x^{\top} Q x \leq ||u||^2 - ||y||^2 \end{bmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} A^{\top} Q + Q A - C^{\top} C & Q B \\ B^{\top} Q & -I \end{bmatrix} \preccurlyeq 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

form  $\alpha_1 A_1 + \alpha_2 A_2 + \dots + \alpha_n A_n \succeq 0 \quad \rightsquigarrow ! \text{ acronym } LMI$ 

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The storage function V is in general far from unique. There are two 'canonical' storage functions:

the available storage and the required supply.

**For conservative** systems, *V* is **unique**. **Dissipative** systems play an important role in the field.

## How good is this notion?

## **Stability of dissipative interconnections**

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Yes, if both systems are dissipative and  $s_P + s_U = 0$ 

 $\rightsquigarrow$  Lyapunov f'n = sum of storage f'ns.  $\Rightarrow$  stability. This requires the state, also for the uncertain system.

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**Input/output setting is hopeless!** 

## **Electrical circuit synthesis**

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This relation is an FDLS (assume properness, etc.)

$$\frac{d}{dt}x = Ax + BI, \quad V = Cx + DI.$$

The transfer function  $G(s) = C(Is - A)^{-1}B + D$  is called

the driving point impedance.



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**Trafos are not needed Raoul Bott & Richard Duffin, 1949** 

#### **Synthesis of behaviors**






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**3. RLC**(**T**) synthesis of behaviors (rather than impedances) is an open problem.

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As is often observed, the input/state/output framework models many things, is better than anything that came before it, but it has some shortcomings...

For the analysis of physical systems,

it does not really fit well

## A new definition of dissipativity



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**The behavior is all there is**. Linearity, time-invariance, ...



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Given  $\Sigma = (\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}, \mathfrak{B})$ , time-invariant, does there exists a representation  $\Sigma_L = (\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}, \mathfrak{B}_{full})$ , time-invariant, such that the dissipation inequality holds?

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such that  $-\int_{t_0}^T s(t) dt \leq K$  for  $T \geq t_0$ 

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A n.a.s.c. for the existence of  $\mathfrak{B}_{full}$  and V (in terms of  $\mathfrak{B}$ ) is ?  $\exists$  sufficient conditions in terms of periodic trajectories assuming *observability* of V from s.

# **Quadratic supply rates**



A *quadratic differential form* (*QDF*) is a quadratic expression in the components of  $w \in \mathfrak{C}^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}^{W})$  and its derivatives:

$$\Sigma_{\mathbf{k},\ell} \left(\frac{d^{\mathbf{k}}}{dt^{\mathbf{k}}}w\right)^{\top} \Phi_{\mathbf{k},\ell} \left(\frac{d^{\ell}}{dt^{\ell}}w\right)$$

with the  $\Phi_{k,\ell} \in \mathbb{R}^{w \times w}$ . Map from  $\mathfrak{C}^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}^w)$  to  $\mathfrak{C}^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$ . Compact notation and a convenient calculus.

$$\Phi(\zeta,\eta) = \Sigma_{\mathbf{k},\ell} \, \Phi_{\mathbf{k},\ell} \zeta^{\mathbf{k}} \eta^{\ell}$$

**Notation QDF**  $Q_{\Phi}(w)$ .

 $Q_{\Phi}$  is said to be *non-negative* (denoted  $Q_{\Phi} \ge 0$ ) : $\Leftrightarrow$  $Q_{\Phi}(w) \ge 0$  for all  $w \in \mathfrak{C}^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}^{w})$ . **Dissipativity of QDF's** 

Consider  $\Sigma_{\Phi} = (\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}, \operatorname{im}(Q_{\Phi}))$ : supply rate is QDF.

 $s: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  is in  $\mathfrak{B} \Leftrightarrow \exists w$  such that

$$s = Q_{\Phi}(w) = \Sigma_{k,\ell} \left(\frac{d^k}{dt^k}w\right)^{\perp} \Phi_{k,\ell}\left(\frac{d^\ell}{dt^\ell}w\right)$$

Very general, 'Linear systems, quadratic functionals', controllability. Examples: linear circuits, t'f f'n with supply rate quadratic form in input and output, linear mechanical systems, ... Interesting special cases:

$$\frac{d}{dt}x = Ax + Bu, y = Cx + Du, s = ||u||^2 - ||y|^2, \text{ or } s = u^\top y$$
  
(u, y)-behavior:  $\begin{bmatrix} u \\ y \end{bmatrix} = M(\frac{d}{dt})w, \quad \Phi \to M(\zeta)^\top \Sigma M(\eta)$ 

**Dissipativity of QDF's** 

 $\Sigma_{\Phi}$  is dissipative ( $\exists$  storage) if

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} Q_{\Phi}(w) \, dt \ge 0$$

 $\forall w \in \mathfrak{C}^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}^{w})$  compact support.

Equivalently, if

$$\Phi(i\omega, -i\omega) + \Phi^{\top}(-i\omega, i\omega) \ge 0 \quad \forall \ \omega \in \mathbb{R}$$

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$$\exists \Psi: \frac{d}{dt}Q_{\Psi} \leq Q_{\Phi} \qquad (LMI)$$

**Dissipativity of QDF's** 

#### For a non-negative storage function, we obtain instead

 $\int_{-\infty}^{0} Q_{\Phi}(w) \, dt \ge 0$ 

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In 1-D case storage f'n of w 'observability'. Not so in n-D case, as Maxwell's eq'ns.

## Some open problems

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**Intrinsic characterization of dissipativity** 

Let  $\Sigma = (\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}, \mathfrak{B})$  be time-invariant. When is it dissipative?

I.e., when does there exists a time-invariant latent variable representation  $\Sigma_L = (\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}, \mathfrak{B}_{full})$ , time-invariant, such that the dissipation inequality holds?

∃ sufficient conditions in terms of periodic behavior, controllability, observability, equilibrium points, ...

**Characterization of QDF's** 

## Given $\mathfrak{B} \subseteq \mathfrak{C}^{\infty}(\mathbb{R},\mathbb{R})$ , shift-invariant.

When does  $\exists \Phi \in \mathbb{R}^{w \times w}[\zeta, \eta]$  such that  $\mathfrak{B} = \operatorname{image}(Q_{\Phi})$ ?

**Characterization of positive storage f'ns for QDF's** 

## **Conjecture:**

The following are equivalent for  $\Phi \in \mathbb{R}^{w imes w} [\zeta, \eta]$ :

- **1.**  $\int_{-\infty}^{0} Q_{\Phi}(w) dt \ge 0 \quad \forall w \in \mathfrak{C}^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}^{w})$  of compact support,
- 2.  $\forall w \in \mathfrak{C}^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}^{w}), \exists K \in \mathbb{R},$ such that  $-\int_{0}^{T} Q_{\Phi}(w) dt \leq K \quad \forall T \geq 0.$

**1.**  $\Rightarrow$  **2.** is easy.

**Characterization of quadratic storage functions** 

### **Conjecture:**

## A QDF has a storage iff it has a QDF as a storage

# Without signature conditions (as small gain, positive operator, conicity).

**Passive behavior synthesis** 

Stated for single input/single output systems. Consider

$$p(\frac{d}{dt})V = q(\frac{d}{dt})I.$$

When realizable as **behavior** of the port var. of a circuit with (positive) resistors, capacitors, inductors, and transformers?



Necessary:  $\frac{p}{q}$  p.r. p.r. n.a.s.c. when p and q co-prime.

What conditions does dissipativity impose on common factors?

**Transformerless synthesis** 

Bott-Duffin synthesis realizes the impedance, not the behavior. They do not use minimal realization, common factors are introduced. Uncontrollable parts are added in the behavior.

Is a synthesizable SISO behavior ... without transformers?

**Suspect: NOT. Transformerless synthesis of behaviors more open than ever.** 





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Also for dissipative systems, this means backing off from input/output thinking!

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