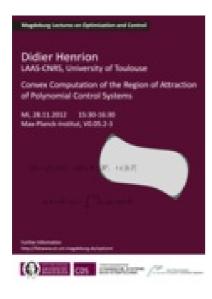# MAGDEBURG LECTURES
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Convex Computation of the Region of Attraction of Polynomial Control Systems

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Abstract
We address the problem of computing the region of attraction (ROA) of a target set (typically a neighborhood of an equilibrium point) of a controlled nonlinear system with polynomial dynamics and semialgebraic state and input constraints. We show that the ROA can be computed by solving a convex linear programming (LP) problem over the cone of nonnegative measures. In turn, this problem can be solved approximately via a converging hierarchy of convex finite-dimensional linear matrix inequalities (LMIs). The dual LP on nonnegative continuous functions (approximated by polynomial sum-of-squares) allows us to generate a hierarchy of guaranteed semialgebraic outer approximations converging almost uniformly to the ROA. This is joint work with Milan Korda and Colin N. Jones, Ecole Polytechnique Federale de Lausanne, Switzerland.

Short CV
Currently he is a CNRS "Directeur de Recherche" (senior researcher) at LAAS in the research group MAC. He is also holding a secondary appointment as an associate professor at the Department of Automatic Control of the Faculty of Electrical Engineering of the Czech Technical University in Prague.

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