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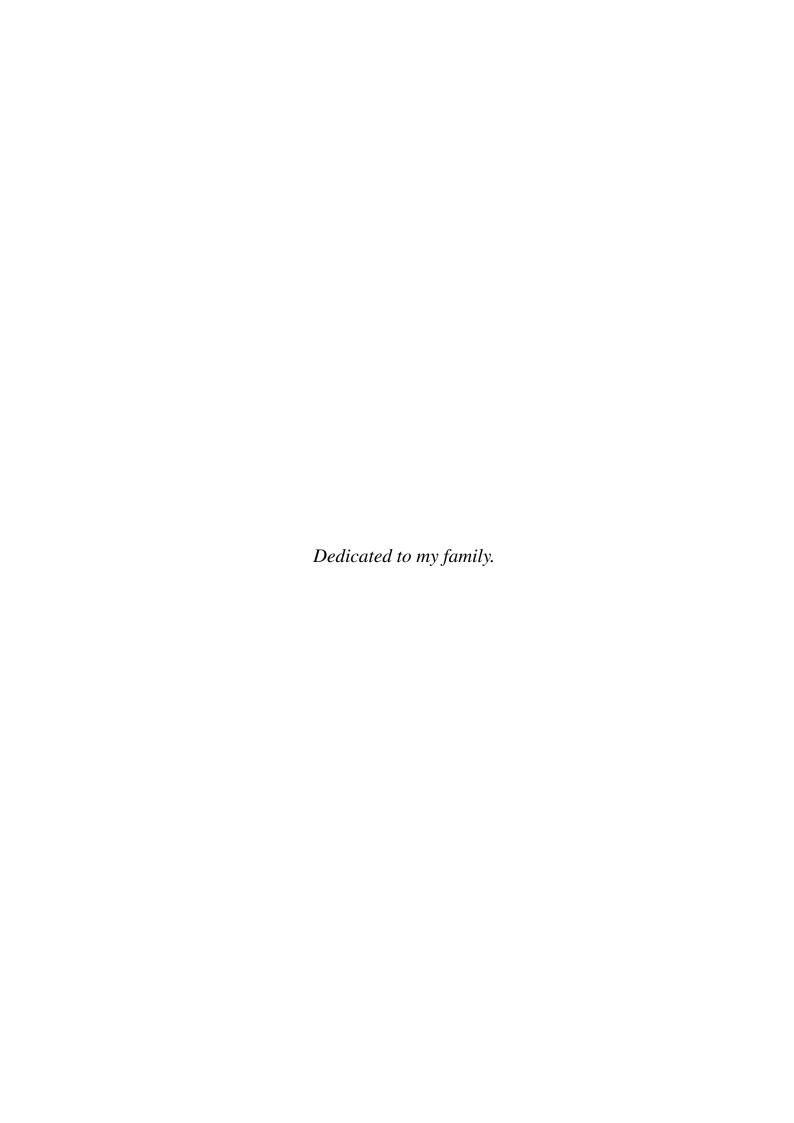
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#### **Abstract**

This thesis studies formation control of multi-agent systems with bearing-based approaches. First, formations with two types of directed graphs namely the leader-first follower and directed cycle are studied in detail. Second, some further results in designing bearing-only control laws are reported. Third, the multi-agent pointing consensus problem is formulated. Solution of this problem is proposed and proved to be effective. Finally, this thesis proposes and investigates the concept of consensus with matrix weights and their applications.

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