1048-17-322Audrey Malagon* (audrey.malagon@emory.edu), 400 Dowman Dr., Atlanta, GA 30322. A New
Approach to Killing Forms.

One approach to the problem of classifying Lie Algebras is to find invariants. One such invariant is the Killing form. In this talk I will give a formula for computing the Killing form of an isotropic Lie algebra defined over an arbitrary field of characteristic zero, based on the Killing form of a subalgebra containing its anisotropic kernel. I will then explicitly compute the Killing form for several Lie algebras of exceptional type and give a general formula for the Killing form of all inner type Lie algebras of type E6, including the anisotropic ones. (Received February 10, 2009)