

**King Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals**  
**Department of Mathematics**  
**Math 665 Midterm Exam**  
**The Second Semester of 2022-2023 (222)**  
**Time Allowed: 120mn**

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Problem #	Marks	Maximum Marks
1		20
2		20
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4		20
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Total		100

**Problem 1:**

Consider the autonomous system

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx}{dt} &= y - (x - x^3) \\ \frac{dy}{dt} &= -x^3\end{aligned}$$

1.) (10pts) Find a domain  $D$  of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and a positive definite function  $V(x, y)$  such that  $\frac{dV}{dt}$  is negative on  $D$ .

2.) (10pts) Find the largest domain of asymptotic stability of the origin.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}1.) \quad \frac{dx}{dt} &= y - (x - x^3) & \times y &\Rightarrow \int x^0 y = \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} y^2 + x^3 (x - x^3) \\ \frac{dy}{dt} &= -x^3 & \times -x &\Rightarrow \int -x^1 y = \frac{1}{4} \frac{d}{dt} x^4\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} (y^2 + \frac{1}{2} x^4) = -x^3 (x - x^3)$$

Let  $V(x, y) = y^2 + \frac{1}{2} x^4$ .  $V$  is positive definite on  $\mathbb{R}^2$   
 $V^*(x, y) = -2x^4(1 - x^2)$

$$\begin{array}{c|c|c|c|c|} x & -1 & 0 & 1 & \\ \hline V^* & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & -\end{array}$$

$\Rightarrow V^*$  is negative definite on  $D = \{(x, y) \mid -1 < x < 1, -\infty < y < \infty\}$

2.)  $V^*(x, y) = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = 0$  or  $x = 1$ , or  $x = -1$

$\Rightarrow E = \{(x, y) \in D \mid V^*(x, y) = 0\} = \{(0, 0)\}$

The critical solutions of the system are

$$\begin{cases} y - (x - x^3) = 0 \\ x^3 = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow x = 0, y = 0$$

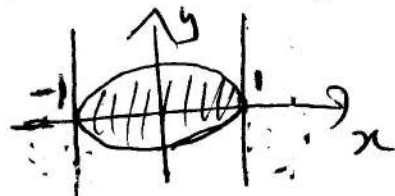
The only invariant set of  $E$  is the origin.

$$C_\lambda = \{(x, y) \in D, V(x, y) < \lambda\}$$

The boundary of  $D$  are  $x = -1$  and  $x = 1$

$C_\lambda$  meets the boundary  $v(-1, 0) = v(1, 0) = \frac{1}{2}$

$\Rightarrow$  The largest domain of asymptotic stability of the origin is  $C_{\frac{1}{2}}$ .



**Problem 2:**

1.) (10pts) Show that the origin is stable for the non-autonomous system

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx}{dt} &= y, \\ \frac{dy}{dt} &= -(1+e^{-t})x,\end{aligned}$$

Hint: evaluate  $\frac{d}{dt}[(1+e^{-t})x^2]$  and use it to find a Lyapunov function  $V(x, y, t)$ .

2.) (10pts)  $V(X, t)$  is infinitesimal upper bound  $\iff \forall \epsilon, \exists \delta > 0$  such that  $|V(X, t)| < \epsilon$ ,  
 $\forall (X, t) \in \{(X, t) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R}^+, \|X\| < \delta\}$ .

Is the function  $U(x, y, t) = \frac{t}{1+t}x^2 + \frac{1}{2+t}y^2$  infinitesimal upper bound or no?

Solution:

$$1.) \frac{d}{dt}[(1+e^{-t})x^2] = -e^{-t}x^2 + 2(1+e^{-t})xx'$$

$$\begin{aligned}x' &= y & \times y' & \Rightarrow & xx' &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} y^2 \\ y' &= -(1+e^{-t})x & \times (-x') & \Rightarrow & -xy' &= (1+e^{-t})xx' = \frac{d}{dt}[(1+e^{-t})x^2] + \frac{e^{-t}x^2}{2}\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left[ \frac{1}{2} (y^2 + (1+e^{-t})x^2) \right] = -\frac{1}{2} e^{-t} x^2$$

$$\text{Let } V(x, y, t) = y^2 + (1+e^{-t})x^2, \quad V^*(x, y, t) = e^{-t}x^2$$

$$V(x, y, t) \geq y^2 + x^2$$

$$V^*(x, y, t) \leq 0$$

$V$  is positive definite and  $V^*$  is negative on  $\{(x, y, t) / (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2, t \geq 0\}$

$\implies$  The origin is stable

$$2.) \text{ We have } \frac{t}{1+t} \leq 1 \text{ and } \frac{1}{2+t} \leq 1, \quad \forall t \geq 0$$

$$|U(x, y, t)| \leq x^2 + y^2$$

$$\text{For any } \epsilon > 0, \quad |x|^2 + |y|^2 \leq \delta = \epsilon \implies |U(x, y, t)| < \epsilon$$

Yes,  $U$  is an infinitesimal upper bound function.

**Problem 3:**

1.) (10pts) Analyze the bifurcation phenomenon in the ODE

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = y(4-y) - \mu, \quad \text{where } \mu \in \mathbb{R} \text{ is a parameter}$$

2.) (10pts) Draw the bifurcation diagram.

Solution:

1) Critical points:  $y(4-y) - \mu = 0, \quad y^2 - 4y + \mu = 0$

$$\Delta = 16 - 4\mu = 4(4-\mu)$$

• If  $\mu < 4$ , then  $y_1 = 2 - \sqrt{4-\mu}, \quad y_2 = 2 + \sqrt{4-\mu}$

• If  $\mu = 4$ , then  $y_3 = 2$

• If  $\mu > 4$ , there is no critical point

Possible bifurcation points ·  $f(y) = y(4-y) - \mu$

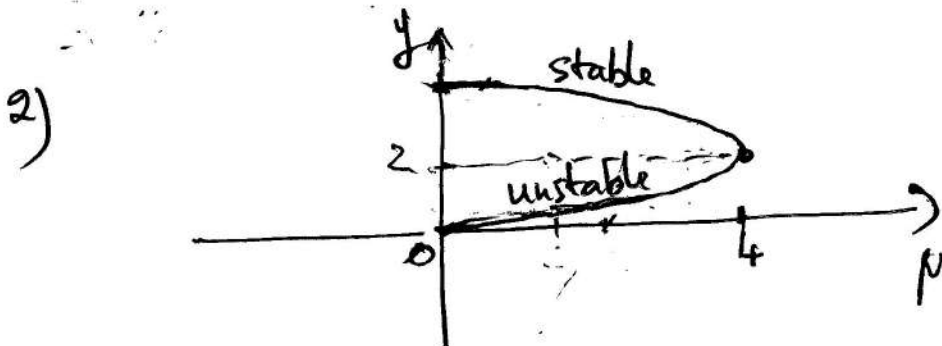
$$\begin{cases} f'(y) = 4 - 2y \\ f(y) = 0 \end{cases} \cdot f'(y) = 0 \Rightarrow y_3 = 2, \mu = 4$$

Stability of the critical points

Case 1:  $\mu < 4$   $f'(y_1) = 2(2-y_1) = 2\sqrt{4-\mu} > 0 \Rightarrow y_1$  unstable

$f'(y_2) = 2(2-y_2) = -\sqrt{4-\mu} < 0 \Rightarrow y_2$  stable

Case 2:  $\mu = 4$ :  $y_3 = 2$   $y_3$  semistable



We trace the functions  $f(\mu) = 2 - \sqrt{4-\mu}$  and  $g(\mu) = 2 + \sqrt{4-\mu}$

**Problem 4:**

.) (10pts) What are the possible bifurcation points  $(x_0, y_0, \mu_0)$  in the system

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dx}{dt} &= y - x \\ \frac{dy}{dt} &= -y + \mu x - x^2, \quad \text{where } \mu \in \mathbb{R} \text{ is a parameter.} \end{aligned}$$

2.) (10pts) Add the equation  $\frac{d\mu}{dt} = 0$  to the system in part 1, and write the system in the form  $X' = AX + F(X)$ , where  $X = (x, y, \mu)$  and  $A$  is the Jacobian of the system at the origin. Compute  $\lim_{\|X\| \rightarrow 0} \frac{\|F(X)\|}{\|X\|}$  as  $\|X\| \rightarrow 0$ .

**Solution:**

i) Critical points are:  $\begin{cases} y=x \\ -y + \mu x - x^2 = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}; A = \begin{pmatrix} \mu-1 & 1 \\ 0 & \mu-1 \end{pmatrix}$

Bifurcation possibility. The Jacobian of the system at  $\begin{pmatrix} x_0 \\ y_0 \end{pmatrix}$

is  $J = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ \mu - 2x_0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ . Thus,  $J(0) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ \mu & -1 \end{pmatrix}, J(A) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 2-\mu & -1 \end{pmatrix}$

Eigenvalues of the Jacobian?

At the origin  $\begin{vmatrix} -1-\lambda & 1 \\ \mu & -1-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0, (\lambda+1)^2 = \mu \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \lambda = -1 \pm i\sqrt{\mu}, & \mu < 0 \\ \lambda = -1, -1, & \mu = 0 \\ \lambda = -1 \pm \sqrt{\mu}, & \mu > 0 \end{cases}$

A possible bifurcation at  $\mu = 1$

At the point A.  $\begin{vmatrix} -1-\lambda & 1 \\ 2-\mu & -1-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0, (\lambda+1)^2 = 2-\mu \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \lambda = -1 \pm i\sqrt{2-\mu}, & \mu > 2 \\ \lambda = -1, & \mu = 2 \\ \lambda = -1 \pm \sqrt{2-\mu}, & \mu < 2 \end{cases}$

A possible bifurcation at  $\mu = 1$

Conclusion: There might be a bifurcation at the origin

2.)  $J(0) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \dot{X} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{J(0)} X + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \mu x - x^2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{F(X)}$

$$X \neq 0 \Rightarrow \frac{|F(x)|}{|x|} = \frac{|\mu x - x^2|}{|x| + |y| + |\mu|} \leq \frac{|\mu|(|x| + |x|^2)}{|x| + |y| + |\mu|} \leq \frac{|x|(|x| + |\mu| + |y|)}{|x| + |y| + |\mu|}$$

$$\frac{|F(x)|}{|x|} \leq |x|, \Rightarrow \lim_{|x| \rightarrow 0} \frac{|F(x)|}{|x|} = 0.$$

for  $|x| \neq 0$

**Problem 5:**

1.) (10pts) Find eigenfunctions and eigenvalues of the the Sturm-Liouville BVP

$$y'' - y + \lambda y = 0,$$

$$y'(0) = y'(\pi) = 0.$$

2.) (10pts) Consider the nonlinear and nonhomogeneous BVP

$$-y'' + y^2 = 1, \tag{1}$$

$$y(0) = y(1) = 0. \tag{2}$$

The eigenfunctions and eigenvalues of the associated SL problem are  $e_n(x) = \sin(n\pi x)$  and  $\lambda_n = n^2\pi^2$ . We assume  $y^2 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n} \sin(n\pi x)$ . Find the solution  $y$  of the problem (1)-(2).

Solution:

- b) The characteristic equation is  $m^2 - 1 + \lambda = 0$ .
- $\lambda - 1 = -\alpha^2, \alpha > 0, m^2 - \alpha^2 = 0, m = \pm \alpha \Rightarrow y = C_1 e^{\alpha x} + C_2 e^{-\alpha x}, y' = \alpha(C_1 e^{\alpha x} - C_2 e^{-\alpha x})$   
 $y'(0) = 0 \Rightarrow C_1 = C_2$   
 $y'(\pi) = 0 \Rightarrow C_1 e^{\pi\alpha} + C_2 e^{-\pi\alpha} = 0 \Rightarrow C_1 = C_2 = 0$
  - $\lambda = 1, m^2 = 0, m = 0, y = C_1 x + C_2, y' = C_1$   
 $y'(0) = y'(\pi) = 0 \Rightarrow C_1 = 0 \Rightarrow y = C_2$
  - $\lambda - 1 = \alpha^2, \alpha > 0, m^2 + \alpha^2 = 0, m = \pm i\alpha, y = C_1 \cos \alpha x + C_2 \sin \alpha x$   
 $y' = -C_1 \alpha \sin \alpha x + C_2 \alpha \cos \alpha x, y'(0) = 0 \Rightarrow C_2 = 0$   
 $y'(\pi) = 0, \sin \alpha \pi = 0, \alpha \pi = n\pi, \alpha = n$

Conclusion: the eigenfunctions are  $e_n(x) = \cos n x$  and the eigenvalues are  $\lambda_n = 1 + n^2, n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

2.)  $y = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n e_n$ . We have  $-e_n'' = \lambda_n e_n$

We substitute  $y$  into the equation  $-y'' + y^2 = 1$

$$\Rightarrow - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n e_n'' + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n} e_n = 1$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ C_n \lambda_n + \frac{(-1)^n}{n} \right] e_n = 1 \Rightarrow C_n \lambda_n + \frac{(-1)^n}{n} = \frac{\int_0^1 \sin(n\pi x) dx}{\int_0^1 2 \sin(n\pi x) dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow C_n \lambda_n + \frac{(-1)^n}{n} = \frac{2(1 - (-1)^n)}{n\pi} \Rightarrow C_n = \frac{1}{n\pi^2} \left[ -\frac{(-1)^n}{n} + \frac{2(1 - (-1)^n)}{n\pi} \right]$$