

**King Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals**  
**Department of Mathematics**  
**ODE Comprehensive Exam**  
**The Second Semester of 2022-2023 (222)**  
**Time Allowed: 150mn**

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Problem #	Marks	Maximum Marks
1		25
2		25
3		25
4		25
5		25
Total		$25 \times 4 = 100$

Solve only 4 problems of your choice.

**Remark:** In case a student solves all 5 problems, only the first 4 on the exam sheets will be graded.

**Problem 1:**

1.)(12pts) Consider the IVP

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = (2y - 1)(y - 1), \\ y(0) = \frac{1}{3}.$$

Find the explicit solution of this IVP and indicate the largest interval of definition of the solution.

2.)(13pts) Show that the IVP

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \sqrt{1-y} + \sqrt{1-x^2}, \\ y(0) = \frac{1}{2},$$

has a unique solution in some interval around  $x = 0$ , and give this interval.

Solution:

$$1.) \int \frac{dy}{(2y-1)(y-1)} = \int dx, \quad \int \left( \frac{2}{2y-1} + \frac{1}{y-1} \right) dy = x + C \\ \ln|y-1| - \ln|2y-1| = x + C \\ \ln\left|\frac{y-1}{2y-1}\right| = x + C, \quad \frac{y-1}{2y-1} = C e^{x+C}$$

$$y = \frac{1 - Ce^x}{1 - 2Ce^x} ; \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1 - C}{1 - 2C} , C = 2,$$

$$\boxed{y = \frac{1 - 2e^x}{1 - 4e^x}, x \in (-\infty, -2\ln 2)}$$

$$2.) f(x, y) = \sqrt{1-y} + \sqrt{1-x^2}. \text{ We require } y > 2 \text{ and } 1-x^2 > 0$$

$$D = \{(x, y) | x \leq \frac{1}{2}, |y - \frac{1}{2}| \leq \frac{1}{4}\}$$

$f$  is continuous on  $D$ .

$$0 \leq x^2 \leq \frac{1}{4} \\ -\frac{1}{4} \leq -x^2 \leq 0, \quad \frac{3}{4} \leq 1 - x^2 \leq 1, \quad \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \leq \sqrt{1-x^2} \leq 1 \\ -\frac{1}{4} \leq y - \frac{1}{2} \leq \frac{1}{4}, \quad \frac{1}{4} \leq y \leq \frac{3}{4}, \quad -\frac{3}{4} \leq -y \leq -\frac{1}{2}, \quad \frac{1}{4} \leq 1 - y \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ \Rightarrow |f(x, y)| \leq 1 + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \quad \frac{1}{2} \leq \sqrt{1-y} \leq \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{1-y}} \Rightarrow \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right| = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{1-y}} \leq 1 \text{ on } D$$

$\Rightarrow$  The IVP has a unique solution  $y = y(x)$ ,  $x \in [-\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}]$

**Problem 2:** Consider the nonlinear system

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx}{dt} &= -2y(x^2 + y^2), \\ \frac{dy}{dt} &= 2x \\ \frac{dz}{dt} &= 3z + 3(x^2 + y^2).\end{aligned}$$

1.) (5pts) Show that system has a periodic solution of the form  $X_1(t) = (\alpha \cos \omega t, \alpha \sin \omega t, \beta)$ , for some  $\alpha, \omega > 0$  and  $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$ .

2.) (20pts) Analyze the stability of the periodic solution  $X_1(t)$  by using the Floquet theory.

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned}1) -\alpha \omega \sin \omega t &= -2\alpha \sin \omega t (\alpha^2) \Rightarrow \alpha \omega = 2\alpha^3 \Rightarrow \alpha^2 = 1, \alpha = 1 \\ \alpha \omega \cos \omega t &= 2\alpha \cos \omega t \Rightarrow \alpha \omega = 2\alpha \Rightarrow \omega = 2 \\ 0 &= 3\beta + 3\alpha^2 \Rightarrow \beta = -1 \\ \text{Thus, } X_1(t) &= (\cos 2t, \sin 2t, -1)\end{aligned}$$

2.) The Jacobian of the system at  $(x_0, y_0, z_0)$  is

$$J = \begin{pmatrix} -4xy_0 & -2(x_0^2 + 3y_0^2) & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 6x_0 & 6y_0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, J(X_1) = \begin{pmatrix} -2\sin 4t & -2(1+2\sin^2 t) & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 6\cos 2t & 6\sin 2t & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$Z = A(t)Z$  is the linearized system at  $x_1(t)$ .

On characteristic multipliers is  $\rho_1 = 1$ , as  $X_1(t)$  is one solution.

We write the linearized system as

$$\begin{cases} \dot{z}_1 = -2\sin 4t z_1 - 2(1+2\sin^2 t) z_2 \\ \dot{z}_2 = 2 z_1 \\ \dot{z}_3 = 6\cos 2t z_1 + 6\sin 2t z_2 + 3 z_3 \end{cases}$$

We can see that  $Y(t) = (0, 0, e^{3t}) = (0, 0, 1)e^{3t}$

is another solution of the linearized system

$\Rightarrow \rho_2 = e^{3\pi}$  is another multiplier ;  $A(t+\pi) = A(t)$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{We also have } \rho_1 \rho_2 \rho_3 &= e^{\int_0^\pi \text{Tr}(A) dt} = e^{\int_0^\pi (3 - 2\sin 4s) ds} = e^{3\pi} \\ &\Rightarrow e^{3\pi} \Rightarrow \rho_3 = 1\end{aligned}$$

The periodic solution  $X_1$  is unstable, since  $\rho_3 > 1$ .

**Problem 3:** Consider the nonlinear system

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx}{dt} &= x(x^2 + y^2 - 3x - 4) - y, \\ \frac{dy}{dt} &= y(x^2 + y^2 - 3x - 4) + x.\end{aligned}$$

- 1)(5pts) Find a region in the  $xy$ -plane, where it is not possible to have a periodic solution.  
 2.)(20pts) Find a trapping region, where we have the guarantee that there exists a periodic solution of the system.

**Solution:**

$$1) f = x(x^2 + y^2 - 3x - 4) - y \Rightarrow f_x = 3x^2 + y^2 - 6x - 4$$

$$g = y(x^2 + y^2 - 3x - 4) + x \Rightarrow g_y = x^2 + 3y^2 - 3x - 4$$

$$\text{Thus, } f_x + g_y = 4x^2 + 4y^2 - 9x - 8 = 4\left[\left(x - \frac{9}{8}\right)^2 - \frac{81}{64}\right] + 4y^2 - 8 \\ = 4\left(x - \frac{9}{8}\right)^2 + 4y^2 - 8 - \frac{81}{16}$$

From Bendixson's criteria, there is no periodic solution inside the ellipse  $B = \{(x - \frac{9}{8})^2 + 4y^2 \leq 8 + \frac{81}{16}\}$

$$2) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} x^2 = x(x^2 + y^2 - 3x - 4) - xy \quad \text{There is also no periodic solution outside } B, \text{ if there is a} \\ + \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} y^2 = y^2(x^2 + y^2 - 3x - 4) + xy \quad \text{periodic orbit, then it must cross } B.$$

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

$$\text{Let } x = r \cos \theta \Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 = r^2 \\ y = r \sin \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} r^2 = r^2(r^2 - 3r \cos \theta - 4)$$

$$\underbrace{r \frac{dr}{dt}}_{\text{r dr/dt}} \Rightarrow \frac{dr}{dt} = r(r^2 - 3r \cos \theta - 4)$$

$$\text{Now, } -1 \leq \cos \theta \leq 1 \Rightarrow -3r \leq -3r \cos \theta \leq 3r$$

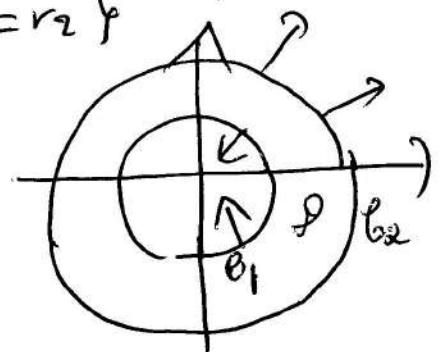
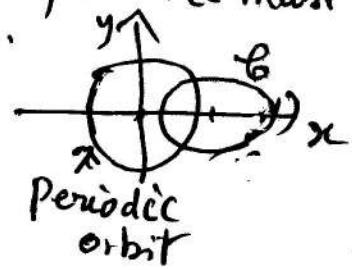
$$\underbrace{r^2 - 3r - 4}_{(r-4)(r+1)} \leq r^2 - 3r \cos \theta - 4 \leq \underbrace{r^2 + 3r - 4}_{(r+4)(r-1)}$$

$$\text{Let } r_1 \in (0, 1) \text{ and } B_1 = \{r = r_1\}$$

$$r_2 \in (4, \infty) \text{ and } B_2 = \{r = r_2\}$$

$$\frac{dr}{dt}|_{B_1} < 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{dr}{dt}|_{B_2} > 0$$

$$Q = \{r_1 \leq r \leq r_2\} \text{ is a Bendixson region}$$



**Problem 4:** Consider the first order differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dt} + y = -4y^3 + 1, \quad t \geq 0. \quad (1)$$

1.)(5pts) Show that  $y^2(t) \leq y^2(0) + 1, \forall t \geq 0$ .

2.)(4pts) Show that  $\int_0^t y^2(s) ds \leq y^2(0) + t, \forall t \geq 0$ .

3.)(16pts) Show that Problem (1) cannot have more than two different solutions with the same initial condition  $y(0)$ .

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} 1.) \quad & \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} y^2 + y^2 = -4y^4 + y^2 \quad ; \quad |y| \leq \frac{1}{2} y^2 + \frac{1}{2} \quad (\text{Young inequality}) \\ & \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} y^2 + \frac{1}{2} y^2 \leq \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} y^2 + y^2 \leq 1, \\ & \Rightarrow y^2(t) - y^2(0) + \int_0^t y^2(s) ds \leq \int_0^t 1 ds, \quad \boxed{\int_0^t y^2(s) ds \leq y^2(0) + t, \quad \forall t \geq 0} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{We also have } & \frac{d}{dt}(ey) \leq e^t, \quad e^t y(t) - y(0) \leq \int_0^t e^s ds = e^t - 1 \\ & \Rightarrow y^2(t) \leq y^2(0) e^{-t} + 1 - e^{-t} \leq y^2(0) + 1 \end{aligned}$$

2.) Assume we have two solutions  $y_1$  and  $y_2$ .  
let  $y = y_1 - y_2$ . So,  $y(0) = y_1(0) - y_2(0) = 0$  (since  $y_1(0) = y_2(0)$ )

The function  $y$  satisfies the equation

$$\frac{dy}{dt} + y = -4(y_1^3 - y_2^3).$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt}(ye^t) = -4y_1^2(y_1^2 + y_1 y_2 + y_2^2) \text{ or}$$

$$\Rightarrow ye^t - y(0) = -4 \int_0^t y_1^2(y_1^2 + y_1 y_2 + y_2^2) e^s ds$$

$$|ye^t| \leq |y(0)| + 4 \int_0^t |y_1| (y_1^2 + |y_1 y_2| + y_2^2) e^s ds$$

$$\leq |y(0)| + 6e^t \int_0^t |y_1| (y_1^2 + y_2^2) ds; \quad |y_1 y_2| \leq \frac{1}{2}(y_1^2 + y_2^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow |y(0)| \leq |y(0)| + 6 \int_0^t |y(s)| (y_1^2 + y_2^2) ds$$

We apply the Gronwall inequality.

$$\Rightarrow |y(t)| \leq |y(0)| e^{6\int_0^t (y_1^2 + y_2^2) ds} \leq |y(0)| e^{12y_1^2 + 12t}, \quad t \in [0, T]$$

$\Rightarrow y(t) = 0, \forall t \in [0, T], T \text{ arbitrary} \Rightarrow y(t) = 0, \forall t \geq 0$

Problem 5: Consider the nonlinear system

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx}{dt} &= x(y^2 - 4), \\ \frac{dy}{dt} &= -y(1 - x^2).\end{aligned}$$

- 1.)(8pts) Find all the critical points of the system.
- 2.)(6pts) Study the stability of the critical point  $C(1, 2)$ .
- 3.)(8pts) Find a closed domain of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  containing no other critical point than the origin, and a positive definite function  $V(x, y)$  such that  $\frac{dV}{dt}(x, y)$  is negative definite on  $D$ .
- 4.)(3pts) Deduce the stability of the origin.

Solution:

$$1.) \begin{cases} x(y^2 - 4) = 0 \\ y(1 - x^2) = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow x = 0 \text{ or } y^2 = 4, y = \pm 2$$

$\downarrow$                                      $\downarrow$   
 $y = 0$                                      $x^2 = 1, x = \pm 1$

The critical points are the origin,  $A\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$ ,  $B\left(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$ ,  $C\left(\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\right)$ ,  $D\left(-\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\right)$

2.) The Jacobian of the system is

$$J(x_0, y_0) = \begin{pmatrix} y_0^2 - 4 & 2x_0y_0 \\ 2x_0y_0 & -(1 - x_0^2) \end{pmatrix}, J(A) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 4 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & 4 \\ 4 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 - 16 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = \pm 4 \Rightarrow A \text{ is unstable}$$

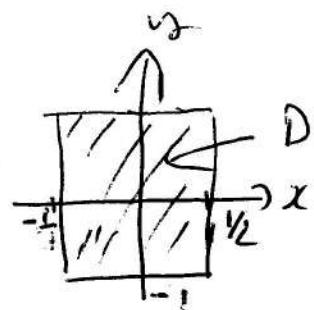
$$3.) \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} x^2 = x^2(y^2 - 4)$$

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

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt}(x^2 + y^2) &= x^2(y^2 - 4) - y^2(1 - x^2) \\ &= -x^2(4 - y^2) - y^2(1 - x^2)\end{aligned}$$

$$D: \{(x, y) / 4 - y^2 > 0 \text{ and } 1 - x^2 > 0\}$$

$$\text{For instance, } D = \{(x, y) / -\frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{1}{2}, -1 \leq y \leq 1\}$$



4.)  $V$  is positive definite on  $\mathbb{R}^2$

$V^*$  is negative definite in  $D$

$\Rightarrow$  the origin is asymptotically stable