

Math 2326, Final Exam

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Work any 5 problems. Indicate clearly which problem NOT to be graded.

1. Find all equilibrium points of the system below, and classify each as a source, sink, saddle point, spiral source, spiral sink, or center.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx}{dt} &= x^2 - y^2 \\ \frac{dy}{dt} &= xy - 4\end{aligned}$$

answer: $(2, 2)$ is spiral source, $(-2, -2)$ is spiral sink

2. Find the general (real) solution of

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -4 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

answer:
$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = C_1 e^{3t} \begin{bmatrix} 4\cos(\sqrt{7}t) \\ \cos(\sqrt{7}t) + \sqrt{7}\sin(\sqrt{7}t) \end{bmatrix} + C_2 e^{3t} \begin{bmatrix} 4\sin(\sqrt{7}t) \\ \sin(\sqrt{7}t) - \sqrt{7}\cos(\sqrt{7}t) \end{bmatrix}$$

3. Use **Laplace transforms** to solve $y' + y = e^{-2t}$, with $y(0) = 2$. (Hints: $L(y') = sL(y) - y(0)$ and $L(e^{at}) = \frac{1}{s-a}$).

answer: $y(t) = 3e^{-t} - e^{-2t}$

4. Solve the differential equation of problem 3 **without** using Laplace transforms.

answer: $y(t) = 3e^{-t} - e^{-2t}$

5. Solve the following partially decoupled **nonlinear** system:

$$\begin{aligned}x' &= -3t^2xy & x(1) &= 6 \\y' &= 3t^2y^2 & y(1) &= 1\end{aligned}$$

answer: $x(t) = 6(2 - t^3), y(t) = \frac{1}{2-t^3}$

6. If a harmonic oscillator with mass m and spring constant k is subject to an external force $\sin(\omega t)$ the height of the mass $y(t)$ satisfies the equation:

$$my'' + ky = \sin(\omega t)$$

Find the general solution of this equation. What value of ω will produce a very large oscillation? (In solving the above equation, you can assume ω is not exactly equal to this "resonant" frequency.)

answer: $y(t) = C_1 \sin(\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}t) + C_2 \cos(\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}t) + \frac{1}{k-m\omega^2} \sin(\omega t)$
 $\omega = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$ will produce large oscillation