Math 2326, Final Exam

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1. For what range of initial values (A) will the solution of

$$y' = (y-2)^2(y^2-25)$$
, with $y(0) = A$

converge (as $t \to \infty$) to y = 2? For what range will the solution converge to y = -5? (Hint: construct the phase line.)

answer: for $2 \le A < 5, y \to 2$, for $A < 2, y \to -5$

2. Use Laplace transforms to solve y'' - 4y = 24, with y(0) = 0, y'(0) = 0. (Hints: L(y') = sL(y) - y(0) and $L(e^{at}) = \frac{1}{s-a}$).

answer: $y(t) = -6 + 3e^{2t} + 3e^{-2t}$

3. Solve the differential equation of problem 2 without using Laplace transforms.

answer: $y(t) = -6 + 3e^{2t} + 3e^{-2t}$

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

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = x^2 - y^2$$
$$\frac{dy}{dt} = xy - 36$$

answer: (6, 6) is a spiral source, (-6, -6) is a spiral sink

5. a. Find the solution to the following system, with x(0) = 6, y(0) = 5.

$$\left[\begin{array}{c} x'\\y'\end{array}\right] = \left[\begin{array}{cc} 2 & 0\\4 & -4\end{array}\right] \left[\begin{array}{c} x\\y\end{array}\right]$$

answer:
$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = e^{2t} \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} + e^{-4t} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

b. Find all equilibrium points of problem 5a, and classify each as a source, sink, saddle, spiral source, spiral sink or center.

answer: (0,0) is a saddle