

Time: 14.00 – 19.00. Tools allowed: only materials for writing.

Please provide full explanations and calculations in order to get full credit.

The exam consists of 8 problems of 10 points each for a total of 80 points. For grades 3, 4, and 5, one should obtain 36, 50, and 64 points, respectively.

Good luck and have fun!

1. (a) (2 points) Complete the following definition: differential equation

$$P(x, y) + Q(x, y)y' = 0$$

is called exact if there exists a function $\psi(x, y)$ such that...

- (b) (8 points) Find the general solution of the ODE

$$(xe^{xy} + 2015y)y' = 2016x - ye^{xy}.$$

2. Parts (a)–(d) are unrelated.

- (a) (3 points) Find the general solution of the ODE $y'(t) = 1/t$ on the domain $t < 0$.

- (b) (2 points) Complete the definition: a collection of functions $\phi_1(t), \dots, \phi_n(t)$ is called linearly dependent on an interval $\alpha < t < \beta$ if...

- (c) (2 points) Rewrite the integral equation $y(t) - \int_2^t (1 + s + e^{y(s)^2}) ds = 0$ as an ODE together with an initial condition.

- (d) (3 points) Using the Sturm separation theorem, prove that zeros of functions $\sin x + 14 \cos x$ and $12 \sin x + 2015 \cos x$ are distinct and occur alternately (no credit if Sturm theorem is not used).

3. (a) (5 points) Solve the initial value problem

$$\begin{aligned} y''(x) - 2y'(x) + y(x) &= 0, & -\infty < x < \infty, \\ y(0) &= 2015, \quad y'(0) = 2016. \end{aligned}$$

- (b) (5 points) Find the general solution of the ODE

$$y''(x) - 2y'(x) + y(x) = e^x, \quad -\infty < x < \infty.$$

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4. Consider the ODE

$$xy'' + y' - y = 0.$$

- (a) (2 points) Classify (ordinary/regular singular/irregular singular) the point $x = 0$ for this ODE. Justify your answer.
- (b) (2 points) Find the exponents (roots of the indicial equation) at $x = 0$ for this ODE.
- (c) (5 points) Find one non-trivial (i.e., different from $y(x) \equiv 0$) solution of this ODE. Express this solution in the form of infinite series around $x = 0$.
- (d) (1 point) Let $y_2(x)$ be any solution of this equation that is linearly independent from the solution you found in (c). What can you say about $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} y_2(x)$? Justify your answer (note: you don't need to find $y_2(x)$ to answer this).

5. (a) (5 points) Find the general solution of the system

$$\begin{aligned} x' &= -5x + 2y \\ y' &= -6x + 2y \end{aligned}, \quad -\infty < t < \infty.$$

- (b) (5 points) Classify (by the portrait type and stability type) $(0,0)$ as a critical point of this system. Make a sketch of the phase portrait.

6. Parts (a)–(c) are unrelated.

- (a) (2 points) Is the following system linear or non-linear?

$$\begin{aligned} x'(t) &= e^t - x(t) + 2y(t) \\ y'(t) &= x(t) + \sin(t^2)y(t) \end{aligned}, \quad -\infty < t < \infty.$$

- (b) (2 points) Let A be a 2×2 matrix, t a real number, and $B(t) = \frac{d}{dt} \exp(At)$. Find $B(0)$.

- (c) (6 points) Suppose $\begin{bmatrix} 2t^2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} t \\ 1/t \end{bmatrix}$ both solve the system $\vec{x}'(t) = P(t)\vec{x}(t)$ on $t > 0$ for some 2×2 matrix $P(t)$. Find the general solution of the system

$$\vec{x}'(t) = P(t)\vec{x}(t) + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1/t \end{bmatrix}, \quad 0 < t < \infty.$$

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7. (a) (2 points) Consider the ODE

$$z''(t) - z'(t) - (z'(t))^3 - z(t) = 0, \quad -\infty < t < \infty.$$

Reduce this ODE to a system of first order ODEs.

- (b) (5 points) Consider the system

$$\begin{aligned} x' &= y \\ y' &= x + y + y^3, \quad -\infty < t < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Find and classify (by the portrait type and stability type) all the critical points of this non-linear system.

- (c) (3 points) Prove that the system in (b) has no periodic (non-constant) solutions.
8. (a) (2 points) Complete the definition: Let V be a function defined on some domain D containing the origin. Then $V(x, y)$ is called positive definite if...
- (b) (8 points) Show that $(0, 0)$ is an unstable critical point of the system

$$\begin{aligned} x' &= 2xy + x^3 \\ y' &= -x^2 + y^5. \end{aligned}$$

Hint: look for $V(x, y) = ax^2 + by^2$.

GOOD LUCK!!!