

# MAT292 – Fall 2021

## Term Test – November 1, 2021

Time allotted: 110 minutes

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This test contains 12 pages (including this title page). Once the test starts, make sure you have all of them.

**In Section I**, only answers are required. No justification necessary.

**In Section II and Section III**, you need to justify your answers.

Answers without justification won't be worth points, unless a question says "no justification necessary".

You can use pages 9–12 to complete questions. In such a case, **MARK CLEARLY** that your answer "continues on page X" **AND** indicate on the additional page which questions you are answering.

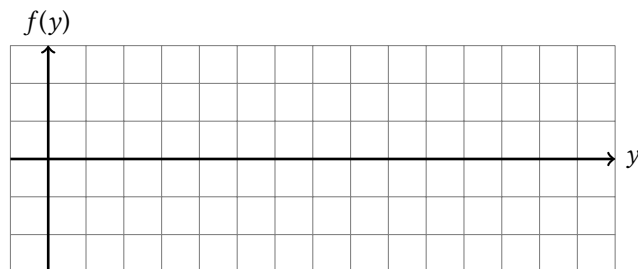
	Short answer	True/False	Long answer				
Question	Q1-Q5	Q6-Q9	Q10	Q11	Q12	Q13	Total
Marks	12	8	14	9	9	9	61

**GOOD LUCK! YOU GOT THIS!**

## SECTION I Provide the final answer. No justification necessary.

1. (2 marks) On the right, draw a phase plot for an autonomous ODE  $y' = f(y)$  such that:

- The ODE has three equilibria.
- At least one of the equilibria is stable.
- **NONE** of the equilibria are unstable.



2. (4 marks) Consider two-dim. systems of the form  $\vec{x}' = A\vec{x}$  and the following eigenvalue setups for the matrix  $A$ .

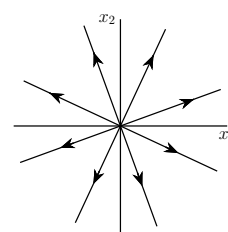
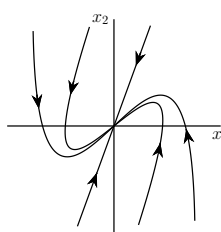
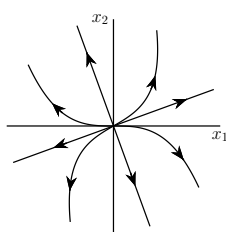
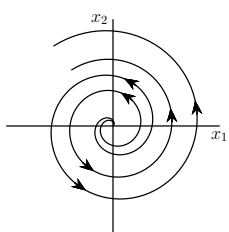
**P:**  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = -5$

**Q:**  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 5$

**R:**  $\lambda_1 = 5 + \pi i, \lambda_2 = 5 - \pi i$

**S:**  $\lambda_1 = 6, \lambda_2 = e$

Below each phase plot below, **write the letter** of the matching setup.



3. (2 marks) Consider the IVP  $y' = t + y^2$ ,  $y(1) = 1$ . Approximate  $y(2)$  using the **Improved** Euler method with a single step.

$y(2) \approx$

4. (2 marks) Consider the IVP  $y' = f(t, y)$ ,  $y(0) = y_0$ . Approximating  $y(1)$  using the Runge-Kutta Method with a fixed step size and 15 steps results in a global truncation error of approximately  $\frac{1}{10}$ . Give a plausible estimate for the global truncation error if we used 30 steps instead.

Error  $\approx$

5. (2 marks) Consider the system of differential equations  $\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$  where  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  is a parameter. Make **exactly one choice** in each box.

☐ The equilibrium is stable

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☐ The answer depends on the value of  $\alpha$ .

☐  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} |x(t)| = 0$  for all solutions.

☐ We must know the initial value to determine  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} |x(t)|$ .

☐  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} |x(t)| = \infty$  for all solutions.

☐ We must know  $\alpha$  to determine  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} |x(t)|$ .

☐ We must know the initial value **AND**  $\alpha$  to determine  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} |x(t)|$ .

**SECTION II** For each of the following statements, decide if it is true or false. **Then justify your choice.**

*Remember: A statement is only true if you can guarantee it is ALWAYS true given the information.*

*In other words: If something is “only true under certain circumstances”, it is still false.*

6. (2 marks) Consider the solution  $y(t)$  to the initial value problem  $\frac{dy}{dt} = -r \left(1 - \frac{y}{T}\right) y$ ,  $y(0) = y_0$ .

Given any  $y_1$ , there exists a time  $t_1$  at which  $y(t_1) = y_1$ .

Choose true or false, then justify:

☐ TRUE ☐ FALSE

7. (2 marks) Consider a two-dimensional system  $\vec{x}' = A\vec{x}$  where  $A$  has two complex eigenvalues. If there is at least one nonzero solution such that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \vec{x}(t) = [0, 0]$ , then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \vec{x}(t) = [0, 0]$  is true for all solutions.

Choose true or false, then justify:

☐ TRUE ☐ FALSE

8. (2 marks) Euler's Method (**not** improved Euler) is used to approximate the two IVPs below.

(A)  $y' = \sin y$ ,  $y(0) = 100$

(B)  $y' = 5y$ ,  $y(0) = 100$

The local truncation error should be larger when approximating the solution of (A).

Choose true or false, then justify:

☐ TRUE ☐ FALSE

9. (2 marks) Assume  $\vec{\phi}(t)$  and  $\vec{\psi}(t)$  solve the system  $\vec{x}' = A\vec{x} + \vec{b}$  where  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and  $\vec{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

For any  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\vec{\phi}(t) + a\vec{\psi}(t)$  also solves the system.

Choose true or false, then justify:

☐ TRUE ☐ FALSE

### SECTION III Justify all your answers.

10. Consider the temperature of two adjacent rooms in a house.

Denote by  $A(t)$  the temperature in room  $A$  and by  $B(t)$  the temperature in room  $B$ .

We measure temperature in degrees Celsius and time in hours.

There are two effects, coming from the fact that the air in one room heats/cools the air in the other room.

- The temperature in room  $A$  changes at a rate proportional to the difference in temperature between room  $A$  and room  $B$ . The proportionality constant is 2.
- The temperature in room  $B$  changes at a rate proportional to the difference in temperature between room  $B$  and room  $A$ . The proportionality constant is 3.

(a) (3 marks) Find two ODEs involving  $A(t)$  and  $B(t)$ . **Explain.**

First ODE:

Second ODE:

(b) (1 mark) The ODEs that you found in the previous part produce a system of two ODEs. Fill in the matrix on the right.

$$\begin{bmatrix} A(t) \\ B(t) \end{bmatrix}' = \begin{bmatrix} & \\ & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A(t) \\ B(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

(c) (2 marks) Explain **from a physical perspective** why it's **impossible** for the matrix in part (b) to have positive eigenvalues.

(d) (6 marks) Now find the general solution to the system and draw a phase portrait on the next page.

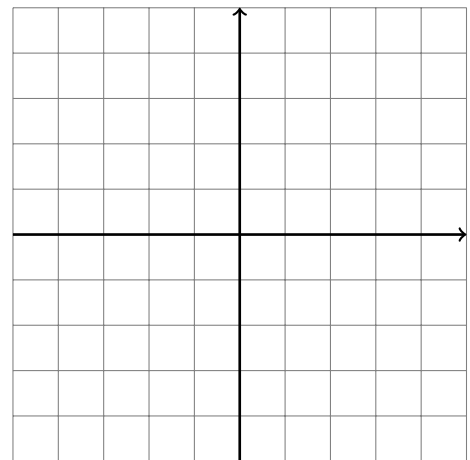
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General solution of the system:



**(e) (2 marks)** Find the equilibrium/equilibria of the system. Explain the result from a physical perspective.

11. A MAT292 student is trying to approximate the solution of the IVP  $y' = \sin t \cos y$ ,  $y(0) = 1$  at the point  $t = 5$  using a numerical method implemented in MATLAB, having fixed step size  $h = 0.5$ .

The code they produced has an error and is inefficient.

- (a) (1 mark) Before we talk about errors or inefficiencies: Which numerical method is the student trying to implement? No justification necessary.

Method:

- (b) (2 marks) Consider the method you just identified in part (a). In an *ideal* implementation of it, how many times would the function  $f(t, y) = \sin t \cos y$  need to be evaluated to get to the desired approximation of  $y(5)$ ?

Number of evaluations:

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1 t=0;h=0.5;y=zeros(11,1);y(1)=1;
2 for i=1:10
3     slope = eval(t,y(i),1,h)+2*eval(t,y(i),2,h)...
4             +2*eval(t,y(i),3,h)+eval(t,y(i),4,h);
5     slope = slope/6;
6     y(i+1) = y(i)+slope*h;    t=t+h;
7 end
8
9 disp('The value y(5) is approximately:');
10 disp(y(11));
11
12 function a=eval(t,y,n,h)
13     f=@(t,y) sin(t)*cos(y);
14     if n == 1
15         a = f(t,y);
16     else
17         a = f(t+h,y+h*eval(t,y,n-1,h));
18     end
19 end

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- (c) (3 marks) Now let's have a look at the MATLAB code above. How many times is the function  $f(t, y) = \sin t \cos y$  being evaluated if this MATLAB script is run? Explain. You are encouraged to reference line numbers.

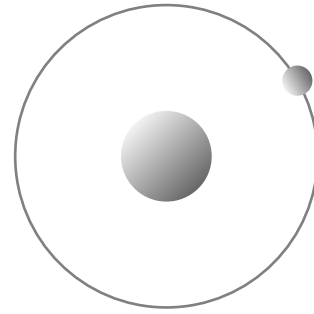
Number of evaluations:

- (d) (3 marks) The code is not only inefficient, but it is also an *incorrect* implementation of the method you identified in part (a). Explain what is wrong. You are encouraged to reference line numbers.

We are not looking for a clerical error like "they forgot a comma" or "the parentheses don't match". There is an actual semantic mistake in the code.

12. A SpaceX aircraft is orbiting around Mars in a perfect circle (see figure). The aircraft's location, represented by three coordinates  $[x_1, x_2, x_3]$ , satisfies the following linear system of differential equations:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \vec{x} = A\vec{x} \quad \text{with} \quad \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a & b \\ -a & 0 & c \\ -b & -c & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



The centre of Mars is located at the origin  $[0, 0, 0]$ .

- (a) (2 marks) Looking at the physical model, why should the following be true? Explain briefly.

$$\frac{d}{dt} (x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2) = 0$$

- (b) (2 marks) Using the linear system, show that  $\frac{d}{dt} (x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2) = 0$  is in fact true.

- (c) (3 marks) Show that  $(e^{At})^T = e^{-At}$ . Hint: notice that  $A^T = -A$ .

For the next part, recall: a matrix  $U$  is orthogonal if and only if  $U^T U = U U^T = I$ , where  $I$  is the identity matrix.

- (d) (2 marks) Using part (c), show that the solution of the system is  $\vec{x}(t) = Q \vec{x}(0)$  for some orthogonal matrix  $Q$ .

13. Consider the differential equation  $ty' = y^\alpha$  where  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  is a scalar parameter. We only consider  $t \geq 0$ .

(a) (3 marks) Consider  $\alpha = 1$  and  $y(1) = 0$ . How many solutions does this IVP have? Justify.

How many solutions:

(b) (3 marks) Consider  $\alpha = 1$  and  $y(0) = 0$ . How many solutions does this IVP have? Justify.

How many solutions:

(c) (3 marks) Consider  $\alpha = 2$  and  $y(1) = 0$ . How many solutions does this IVP have? Justify.

How many solutions:



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