

# Math 216 — Final Exam

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1. [15 points] Find explicit, real-valued solutions for each of the following, as indicated.
- a. [6 points] Solve for  $y$  if  $y' + ye^t - e^t = 0$ ,  $y(0) = 0$ .

- b. [9 points] Find the general solution to  $\mathbf{x}' = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}$ .

2. [15 points] Find explicit, real-valued solutions for each of the following, as indicated.
- a. [7 points] Find the general solution to  $y''' + 4y'' + 3y' = 5 - e^{-2t}$ .

- b. [8 points] Solve  $y'' + 3y' + 2y = 4u_1(t) - 3\delta(t - 2)$ ,  $y(0) = 0$ ,  $y'(0) = 1$ .

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3. [15 points] Consider the differential equation  $V' = V^{1/3}(k - V^{2/3})$ , where  $V(t)$  is some (real-valued) physical quantity and  $k$  is a constant.
- a. [5 points] Find all equilibrium solutions of the equation and their stability. How does the number of equilibrium solutions depend on  $k$ ?
- b. [5 points] Sketch representative solution curves for the equation. Note that you may need more than one graph if you found in (a) a different number of equilibrium solutions depending on the values of  $k$ . In the long run, what solution(s) to the equation do you expect to see?

*Problem 3, continued. We are considering the differential equation  $V' = V^{1/3}(k - V^{2/3})$ , where  $V(t)$  is some (real-valued) physical quantity and  $k$  is a constant.*

- c. [5 points] Are there any initial conditions  $V(t_0) = V_0$  for which you might expect this differential equation could have no solution? More than one solution? Explain. (*Hint: you shouldn't need to solve the equation to answer this question.*)

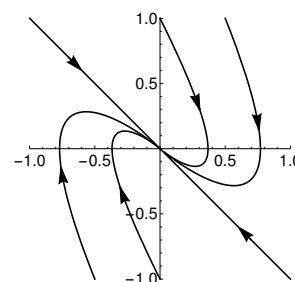
4. [15 points] If the solution to the initial value problem  $y'' + 4y' + ay = 3\delta(t - \pi)$ ,  $y(0) = 0$ ,  $y'(0) = k$ , is for  $t < \pi$  a decaying sinusoid with a local maximum at  $t = \pi/2$ , and is zero for all values of  $t \geq \pi$ , what are  $k$  and  $a$ ?

*Use Laplace transforms in your solution to this problem.*

5. [12 points] Each of the following requires a short (one equation or formula) answer. Provide the required answer, and a short (one or two sentence) explanation.

a. [3 points] Write a linear, constant coefficient, second order, nonhomogeneous differential equation for which the method of undetermined coefficients is not applicable.

b. [3 points] Write a linear, constant coefficient, second order differential equation that has the phase portrait shown to the right.



c. [3 points] If  $L[y] = f(t)$  is a linear, constant coefficient, second order differential equation and  $L[y] = 0$  is solved by  $y = c_1 e^{-t} + c_2 t e^{-t}$ , write a function  $f(t)$  for which a good solution guess would be  $y = At^3 e^{-t} + Bt^2 e^{-t}$ .

d. [3 points] Write a linear, constant coefficient, second order differential equation having a phase portrait that is a spiral sink converging on the point  $(2, 0)$ .

6. [12 points] Consider the system given by  $\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}$ , where  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ . Eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{A}$  are  $\lambda = -4, -3$ , and  $2$ , with eigenvectors  $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ , and  $\mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , respectively.

a. [4 points] Give an initial condition for which trajectories converge to the origin. Explain how you know your answer is correct.

b. [4 points] Give all initial conditions for which the resulting trajectories remain bounded for all  $t$ . Explain.

c. [4 points] Suppose that  $\mathbf{x}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ . Describe the solution trajectory in phase space. What does it look like as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ ? Explain.

7. [16 points] Our model for a ruby laser is, with  $N$  = the population inversion of atoms and  $P$  = the intensity of the laser,

$$N' = \gamma A - \gamma N(1 + P), \quad P' = P(N - 1).$$

In lab we found that the critical points of this system are  $(N, P) = (A, 0)$  and  $(N, P) = (1, A - 1)$ . For this problem we will assume that  $\gamma = \frac{1}{2}$ ;  $A$  is, of course, also a constant.

- a. [4 points] Find a linear system that approximates the nonlinear system near the critical point  $(A, 0)$ . Show that if  $A < 1$  this critical point is asymptotically stable, and if  $A > 1$  it is unstable.

- b. [6 points] Suppose that the linear system you obtained in (a) is, for some value of  $A$ ,  $u' = -\frac{1}{2}u - v$ ,  $v' = v$ . Sketch a phase portrait that shows solution trajectories of the linear system. Explain how these trajectories are related to trajectories in the  $(N, P)$  phase plane.



*Problem 7, cont. We are considering the system*

$$N' = \frac{1}{2}A - \frac{1}{2}N(1 + P), \quad P' = P(N - 1),$$

*which has critical points  $(N, P) = (A, 0)$  and  $(N, P) = (1, A - 1)$ .*

- c. [6 points] Suppose that, for the value of  $A$  used in (b), the coefficient matrix for the linear system approximating  $(N, P)$  near the critical point  $(1, A - 1)$  is  $\begin{pmatrix} -1 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , which has eigenvalues  $\lambda = \frac{1}{2}(-1 \pm i)$ . Using this information with your work in (b), sketch a representative solution curve for  $P$  as a function of  $t$ , if  $P(0) = 0.01$  when  $N(0) = 0$ .

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## Formulas, Possibly Useful

- Some Taylor series, taken about  $x = 0$ :  $e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}$ ;  $\cos(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n}}{(2n)!}$ ;  $\sin(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!}$ . The series for  $\ln(x)$ , taken about  $x = 1$ :  $\ln(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{(x-1)^n}{n}$ .
- Some integration formulas:  $\int u v' dt = uv - \int u' v dt$ ; thus  $\int t e^t dt = t e^t - e^t + C$ ,  $\int t \cos(t) dt = t \sin(t) + \cos(t) + C$ , and  $\int t \sin(t) dt = -t \cos(t) + \sin(t) + C$ .
- Euler's formula:  $e^{i\theta} = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$ .

## Some Laplace Transforms

	$f(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{F(s)\}$	$F(s) = \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}$
1.	1	$\frac{1}{s}, s > 0$
2.	$e^{at}$	$\frac{1}{s-a}, s > a$
3.	$t^n$	$\frac{n!}{s^{n+1}}$
4.	$\sin(at)$	$\frac{a}{s^2 + a^2}$
5.	$\cos(at)$	$\frac{s}{s^2 + a^2}$
6.	$u_c(t)$	$\frac{e^{-cs}}{s}$
7.	$\delta(t-c)$	$e^{-cs}$
A.	$f'(t)$	$sF(s) - f(0)$
A.1	$f''(t)$	$s^2F(s) - sf(0) - f'(0)$
A.2	$f^{(n)}(t)$	$s^n F(s) - \dots - f^{(n-1)}(0)$
B.	$t^n f(t)$	$(-1)^n F^{(n)}(s)$
C.	$e^{ct} f(t)$	$F(s-c)$
D.	$u_c(t) f(t-c)$	$e^{-cs} F(s)$
E.	$f(t)$ (periodic with period $T$ )	$\frac{1}{1-e^{-Ts}} \int_0^T e^{-st} f(t) dt$
F.	$\int_0^t f(x)g(t-x) dx$	$F(s)G(s)$