

Ordinary Differential Equations Mid-term Test

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1. Consider the following initial value problem

$$\begin{cases} x' = x(1 - x - y) \\ y' = y(x - \lambda), \quad 0 < \lambda < 1 \\ x(0) > 0, \quad y(0) > 0. \end{cases}$$

Prove that $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (x(t), y(t)) = (\lambda, 1 - \lambda)$.

2. Consider the Van Der Pal Equation

$$\begin{cases} \ddot{x} + \epsilon(x^2 - 1)\dot{x} + x, \\ x(0) = x_1, \quad \dot{x}(0) = x_2. \end{cases}$$

Prove that for any $\epsilon < 0$, then every solution $x(t)$ starts in the circle $(x_1, x_2) \in \{(x_1, x_2) | x_1^2 + x_2^2 < \epsilon\}$ approaches to zero as $t \rightarrow \infty$.

3. Consider the following initial value problem

$$(*) \quad \ddot{x} + f(x)\dot{x} + h(x) = 0.$$

Prove : If 1. $xh(x) > 0$, for any $x \neq 0$

2. $f(x) > 0$, for any $x \neq 0$

3. $H(x) = \int_0^x h(t) dt \rightarrow \infty$ as $|x| \rightarrow \infty$,

then every solution $x(t)$ of $(*)$ satisfies $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (x(t), \dot{x}(t)) = (0, 0)$.

4. Consider the following initial value problem

$$\begin{cases} x' = rx(1 - \frac{x}{k}) - \frac{mxy}{a+x} \\ y' = y(\frac{mx}{a+x} - D) \\ x(0) > 0, \quad y(0) > 0. \end{cases}$$

Prove that if $0 < \frac{k-a}{2} < \frac{aD}{m-D} < k$, then $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (x(t), y(t)) = (x^*, y^*)$,
 $y^* = f(x^*)$, $f(x) = \frac{r(a+x)}{m}(1 - \frac{x}{k})$.