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**COURSE CODE: MAT 424**

**COURSE TITLE: ODE III**

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Answer Question One and Any other TWO Questions

TIME: 2 Hours

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**QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)**

- a) Solve the initial value problem  $\dot{x} = \beta x$   $x(0) = x_0$  using Picard's method of successive approximation. (5 Marks)

- b) Investigate the stability of the second order equation

$$\ddot{x} + \dot{x}^3 + x = 0$$

At the origin of its phase plane

(5 Marks)

- c) Show that the system

$$\dot{x}_1 = -x_2 + x_1(1 - (x_1^2 + x_2^2)^{\frac{1}{2}})$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = x_1 + x_2(1 - (x_1^2 + x_2^2)^{\frac{1}{2}})$$

Has a limit cycle given by  $x_1^2 + x_2^2 = 1$

(6 Marks)

- d) Prove that every fundamental matrix solution  $X(t)$  of  $\dot{x} = Ax$  has the form where

$$X(t) = P(t)e^{Bt}$$

Where  $P(t) = P(t+T)$  for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ , is a non-singular matrix and  $B$  is also an  $n \times n$  constant matrix. (5 Marks)

- e) Consider the initial value problem

$$\dot{x} = f(t, x) \quad x(t_0) = x_0 \quad t \in I \quad (1)$$

Where  $f \in C(U, \mathbb{R}^{n+1})$   $U$  an open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  and  $I$  is in  $\mathbb{R}$ . Prove that (1) is equivalent to

$$x(t) = x_0 + \int_{t_0}^t f(s, x(s)) ds \quad (2)$$

And  $x(t)$  is a solution of Equation (1) if and only if it is a solution of Equation (2) (4 Marks)

- f) Prove the following ; If  $g(t)$  is continuous real valued function that satisfies

$$g(t) \geq 0 \text{ and}$$

$$g(t) \leq c + k \int_{t_0}^t g(s) ds \quad t \in [0, a]$$

Where  $c$  and  $k$  are positive constants. It then follows that for all  $t \in [0, a]$

$$g(t) \leq ce^{kt}$$

(5 Marks)

### QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

Consider the nonlinear system

$$\dot{x} = -x + x(r^4 - 3r^2 + 1) \quad (4)$$

$$\dot{y} = x + y(r^4 - 3r^2 + 1)$$

Where  $r^2 = x_1^2 + x_2^2$

- a) Use the Poincare Bendixson theorem to show that (4) has a periodic orbit in the annular region  $D_1 = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid 1 < |x| < 2\}$  (8 Marks)
- b) Show that the origin is unstable focus for this system and use the Poincare Bendixson Theorem to show that there is periodic orbit in the annular region  $D_2 = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid 1 < |x| < 2\}$  (6 Marks)
- c) Find the unstable and stable limit cycles of this system (6 Marks)

### QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Define the following terms (2 Marks)
- (i) Equilibrium solution
- (ii) Stability
- b) Prove that the function  $V(y_1, y_2) = y_1^2 + y_1^2 y_2^2 + y_2^4$   $(y_1, y_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$

Is a strict Liapunov function for the system

$$\dot{x}_1 = 1 - 3x_1 + 3x_1^2 + 2x_2^2 - x_1^3 - 2x_1x_2^2$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = x_2 - 2x_1x_2 + x_1^2x_2 - x_2^3$$

(5 Marks)

At fixed point (1,0)

- c) Show that the phase portrait of

$$\ddot{x} - (1 - 3x^2 - 2\dot{x})\dot{x} + x = 0$$

(5 Marks)

Has a limit cycle

- d) Find the derivative of the function

$$f(x) = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 - x_2^2 \\ -x_2 + x_1x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f_1(x) \\ f_2(x) \end{pmatrix}$$

(4 Marks)

And evaluate it at the point  $x_0 = (1, -1)^T$

- e) Let E be an open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $f: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ . Proof that if  $f \in C^1(E)$ ,  $f$  is locally Lipschitz on E. (4 Marks)

#### **QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

Consider the differential equations that model the populations  $x_1(t)$  and  $x_2(t)$  at time  $t \geq 0$  of two competing species

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= ax_1(1-x_1) - bx_1x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 &= cx_2(1-x_2) - dx_1x_2 \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

Let  $a=1, b=2, c=1$  and  $d=3$

- (i) On one phase plane sketch the isoclines of the differential equations (3) and determine all its equilibriums (4 Marks)
- (ii) Determine the type of stability of all equilibrium points in (i) above (6 Marks)
- (iii) Sketch the phase plane and clearly indicate the direction of the vector field defined by (3) (2 marks)
- (iv) State algebraically and sketch by shading appropriately the basin of attraction of each attracting fixed point. (4 Marks)
- (v) What are the likely populations of the species in the long term. State the reasons for the choice of your answer. (2 Marks)
- (vi) If  $a=3, b=2, c=4$  and  $d=3$ . Show that the populations co-exist at some point

$$\bar{x} \left( \frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{2} \right) \quad (2 \text{ Marks})$$

#### **QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

For the system

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= y \\ \dot{y} &= x^2 - \mu \end{aligned}$$

Where  $\mu$  is a parameter.

- a) Verify that this system is Hamiltonian and with the Hamiltonian

$$H(x, y) = \frac{y^2}{2} - \frac{x^3}{3} + \mu x \quad (4 \text{ Marks})$$

- b) Show that for  $\mu \geq 0$  the system has equilibrium points at  $(x, y) = (\pm\sqrt{\mu}, 0)$  and no equilibrium points when  $\mu < 0$  (so  $\mu = 0$  is a bifurcation value of the parameter) (3 Marks)

- c) Linearize the system at each of the equilibrium points and determine the behaviour of the solutions near the equilibrium points (4 Marks)
- d) Sketch the level curves  $H$  ( and hence the phase plane of the system) for  $\mu \in \{-1, -0.5, 0.5, 1\}$  (5 Marks)
- e) Describe the bifurcation that takes place at  $\mu = 0$  (4 Marks)