

## Qualify Exam: Ordinary Differential Equations

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1.(15%)

Suppose  $\alpha > 0, \gamma > 0, K, L, M$  are nonnegative constants and  $x$  is a nonnegative bounded continuous function satisfies

$$x(t) \leq Ke^{-\alpha t} + L \int_0^t e^{-\alpha(t-s)} x(s) ds + M \int_0^\infty e^{-\gamma s} x(t+s) ds, \quad t \geq 0.$$

If  $\beta := \frac{L}{\alpha} + \frac{M}{\gamma} < 1$ , show that

$$x(t) \leq (1 - \beta)^{-1} Ke^{-[\alpha - (1 - \beta)^{-1}L]t}.$$

2.(10%)

Suppose  $A$  is a real  $n \times n$  matrix. Prove that the matrix equation  $A^T B + BA = -C$  has a positive definite solution  $B$  for every positive definite matrix  $C$  if and only if all real part of eigenvalues of  $A$  are negative.

3.(15%)

Let  $E$  be a normed vector space,  $W \subset \mathbf{R} \times E$  an open set, and  $f, g : W \rightarrow E$  continuous. Suppose that for all  $(t, x) \in W$ ,  $|f(t, x) - g(t, x)| < \varepsilon$ . Let  $K$  be a Lipschitz constant in  $x$  for  $f(t, x)$ . If  $x(t), y(t)$  are solutions to  $x' = f(t, x)$  and  $y' = g(t, y)$ , respectively, on some interval  $J$ , and  $x(t_0) = y(t_0)$ . Show

$$|x(t) - y(t)| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{K} \{e^{K|t-t_0|} - 1\}.$$

4. (15%)

Consider the following system:

$$x' = x - y - x^3 \quad y' = x + y - y^3.$$

- (1) Show that there is a unique equilibrium.
- (2) Show that there is a unique stable limit cycle in the region

$$A = \{x \in \mathbf{R}^2 \mid 1 \leq |x| \leq \sqrt{2}\}.$$