

**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS, 2023**  
**FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION**  
**FOR**  
**THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE**  
**MAT 8210:-Ordinary differential Equations II**

**Instructions to candidates:**

**Answer any Three Questions. All Symbols have their usual meaning**

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**Question 1 (20 Marks)**

Given a second order scalar equation

$$\ddot{u} + u = \cos \omega t, \quad \omega > 0 \tag{1}$$

- (i) Let  $x_1 = u$  and find its equivalent first order system. **(3 Marks)**
- (ii) Find the adjoint equation for the system in (i) and determine its general solution. **(5 Marks)**
- (iii) Show that for  $\omega \neq 1$ , the adjoint equation has no trivial solution of least period  $\frac{2\pi}{\omega}$  which satisfies the Fredholm's alternative

$$\int_0^T y(t)f(t)dt = 0$$

, hence (1) has a unique periodic solution of period  $\frac{2\pi}{\omega}$ . Whereas if  $\omega = 1$ , the adjoint equation has period  $2\pi$ , which doesn't satisfy the Fredholm's alternative thus (1) has no periodic solution of period  $2\pi$  **(12 Marks)**

**Question 2 (20 Marks)**

The equation of a pendulum with vertically oscillating sinusoidal support can be written as

$$\ddot{\theta} + c \dot{\theta} + \frac{g - R\omega^2 \sin \omega t}{l} \sin \theta = 0$$

If  $\tau = \omega t$ ,  $\frac{R}{l} = \varepsilon$ ,  $\frac{\varepsilon^2}{\kappa^2} = \frac{g}{l\omega^2}$ ,  $\frac{c}{\omega} = 2\varepsilon\alpha$   
 the equation becomes

$$\theta'' + 2\varepsilon\alpha\theta' + (\varepsilon^2 \kappa^2 - \varepsilon \sin\tau)\sin\theta = 0$$

with " ' " =  $\frac{d}{d\tau}$

(i) Write the equivalent first order system for the 2<sup>nd</sup> order equation in  $\tau$  (3 Marks)

(ii) For  $\varepsilon$  small, show that the system has periodic solutions of period  $\frac{2\pi}{\omega}$  if  $\theta$  is in the neighbourhood of  $0, \pi$  or  $2\pi$  and  $\cos^{-1}(-2\kappa^2)$  (7 Marks)

(iii) By introducing variables  $\phi$  and  $\Omega$  as

$$\begin{aligned} \theta &= \phi - \varepsilon \sin\tau \sin\phi \\ \theta' &= \varepsilon \Omega - \varepsilon \cos\tau \sin\phi \end{aligned}$$

Use averaging to determine the stability property as functions of  $\alpha$  and  $\kappa$ . (10 Marks)

**Question 3 (20 Marks)**

Given the Van der pol equation

$$\ddot{u} - \varepsilon (1 - u^2)\dot{u} + u = 0$$

with  $\varepsilon > 0$  a small parameter

(i) Let  $x_1 = u$  and find its equivalent first order system. (4 Marks)

(ii) For  $\varepsilon = 0$ , find the general solution of the system in (i) and show that it's a unique periodic orbit. (4 Marks)

(iii) Suppose  $g(x,y)$  has continuous first derivatives with respect to  $x, y$ . Show that there is an  $\varepsilon_0 > 0$  such that for  $|\varepsilon| < \varepsilon_0$  the equation

$$\ddot{x} - \kappa (1 - x^2)\dot{x} + x = \varepsilon g(\dot{x}, x), \kappa > 0$$

has a unique periodic solution in the neighbourhood of the periodic orbit in (ii). Show that this orbit is asymptotically orbitally stable with asymptotic phase. (12 Marks)

**Question 4 (20 Marks)**

Given the equation

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -x_1 + \varepsilon(1 - x_1^2)x_2 + A\sin\omega t \end{aligned}$$

- (a) Discuss the existence of integral manifolds of the equation (10 Marks)
- (b) For  $\varepsilon$  small and various values of  $A$  and  $\omega$ , let

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 &= \rho \sin \theta_1 + A(1 - \omega^2)^{-1} \sin \omega t \\x_2 &= \rho \cos \theta_1 + A\omega(1 - \omega^2)^{-1} \cos \omega t \\ \theta_2 &= t\end{aligned}$$

- (i) Obtain a system of differential equations for  $\theta_1$ ,  $\theta_2$  and  $\rho$  (4 Marks)
- (ii) Discuss the stability property of the manifold given the averaged equation in b(i) above (6 Marks)

**Question 5 (20 Marks)**

Given the nonlinear system

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= -y + xz^2 \\ \dot{y} &= x + yz^2 \\ \dot{z} &= -z(x^2 + y^2)\end{aligned}$$

- (a) Show that this system has a periodic orbit given by  $\gamma(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos t \\ \sin t \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  or  $\gamma(t) = (\cos t, \sin t, 0)^T$  (4 Marks)
- (b) Find the linearisation of this system about  $Y(t)$  (4 Marks)
- (c) Find the fundamental matrix  $\Phi(t)$  of the autonomous linear system in (b) which satisfies  $\Phi(0) = I$  (4 Marks)
- (d) Find the characteristics exponents and multipliers of  $\gamma(t)$  (4 Marks)
- (e) Determine the dimensions of the stable, unstable and center manifolds of  $\gamma(t)$  (4 Marks)