

Supplementary problems: # 1, 3, 5, 7

Compulsory problems:

(1) Consider the IVP

$$2y'' + 3y' - 2y = 0; y(0) = 1, y'(0) = -\beta \text{ (with } \beta > 0\text{)}.$$

- (a) **[7 pts.]** Solve the IVP.
- (b) **[7 pts.]** Plot the solution for $\beta = 1$.
- (c) **[4 pts.]** Find the minimum of the solution.
- (d) **[2 pts.]** Find the smallest (in magnitude) value for β for which the solution has no minimum.

(2) Consider the IVP $9y'' + 12y' + 4y = 0; y(0) = a > 0, y'(0) = -1$.

- (a) **[7 pts]** Solve the IVP.
- (b) **[3 pts]** Find the critical value of a that separates solutions that become negative from those that are always positive.

(3) Consider the IVP: $y'' + 2y' + 6y = 0; y(0) = 2, y'(0) = \alpha \geq 0$.

- (a) **[6 pts]** Solve the IVP.
- (b) **[4 pts]** Find α such that $y = 0$ when $t = 1$.

Your homework raw score is: $\frac{n}{2m} \cdot M + \left(1 - \frac{n}{2m}\right) \cdot N = N + \frac{n}{2m}(M - N)$.