

1 Theoretical questions to examination.

1. Give an example of a system of ODEs in \mathbb{R}^2 having some solutions $\varphi(t, \xi)$ that do not have ω or α limit sets.
 - i) The simplest example is a system that has all trajectories tending to infinity with $t \rightarrow \infty$
 - ii) An equation with bounded domain and all solutions having $\sup I_\xi < \infty$ (here I_ξ is the maximal interval for initial point ξ) and therefore tending to its boundary with $t \rightarrow \sup I_\xi$.
2. Show that the ω - limit set Ω_ξ for solutions $\varphi(t, \xi)$ having closure of the orbit $O_+(\xi)$ compact, must be non-empty.

Hint: use the key property of compact sets that any bounded sequence in a compact set has a convergent subsequence.
3. Show that for Lipschitz right hand side f in the equation $x' = f(x)$ the transfer mapping $\varphi(t, \xi)$ is Lipschitz with respect to both (each of) variables.

Hint. Write the I.V.P. in integral form and use Grönwall's inequality!
4. Sketch a trajectory illustrating the definition of ω - limit set.
5. Assume that $0 \in G$ and is an asymptotically stable equilibrium point. Show that the domain of attraction \mathcal{A} to 0 is an open set. Exercise 5.14 in L.R.
6. Suppose a monodromy matrix M is given for a periodic linear system in \mathbb{R}^2 with period T . Can one calculate exactly values $\varphi(t, \xi)$ of the solution with initial data ξ for $t = T, 3T, 5T$?

Hint. Use the expression for the transfer matrix for periodic systems.
7. How long time it could take for a solution $\varphi(t, \xi)$ to the equation $x' = f(x)$ with $f : G \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ to reach:
 - a) an asymptotically stable equilibrium point
 - b) the boundary ∂G of the domain G in case $\varphi(t, \xi) \rightarrow \partial G$ as t tends to $\sup(I_\xi)$.