

**ODEs - 104285. Semester: Spring. Year: 2011**

**HW-2. Deadline: Monday, March 21, 6 pm**

Dictionary:

inflection point = nikudat pitul' = (Rus) tochka peregiba

convex = kamur = (Rus) vipuklii

concave = kaur = (Rus) vognutii

Remind that a point  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  is called an inflection point of a function  $f(x)$  if for some positive  $\epsilon$  the function  $f(x)$  is concave in the interval  $(a - \epsilon, a)$  and convex in the interval  $(a, a + \epsilon)$ , or vice a versa.

1. Let  $f(x) \in C^1(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $f(a) = f(b) = 0$ , and  $f(x) \neq 0$  for  $x \in (a, b)$ . Let  $t_0 \in \mathbb{R}, x_0 \in (a, b)$ . Let  $x(t)$  be the solution of the equation  $x'(t) = f(x(t))$  satisfying the initial condition  $x(t_0) = x_0$  and defined for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ . Prove that the function  $x(t)$  has at least one inflection point.

2. Draw the graph of a function  $f(x) \in C^1(\mathbb{R})$  such that  $f(0) = f(100) = 0, f(x) \neq 0$  for  $x \in (0, 100)$  and such that for any  $t_0 \in \mathbb{R}$  and any  $x_0 \in (0, 200)$  the solution of the equation  $x'(t) = f(x(t))$  satisfying the initial condition  $x(t_0) = x_0$  and defined for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  has 10 inflection points. Prove that for your graph of  $f(x)$  it is so.

3. Let  $x_1(t), \dots, x_7(t)$  be the solutions of the equation  $x'(t) = \sin(e^{x(t)})$  satisfying the initial condition 3.1, ..., 3.7 below and defined for all  $t$ . Draw the 7 graphs, of  $x_1(t), \dots, x_7(t)$  in the same  $(t, x)$  plane. For each of the functions  $x_1(t), \dots, x_7(t)$  find its value at the inflection point.

1.1.  $x(0) = 2$  1.2.  $x(1) = 2$  1.3.  $x(0) = 3$  1.4.  $x(1) = 3$

1.5.  $x(-1) = 4$  1.6.  $x(-1) = 5$  1.7.  $x(-1) = 6$

4. Let  $f(x) = (x-1)^2(x-2)^3(x+1)^4(x+2)^5$  and let  $x_1(t), \dots, x_7(t)$  be the solutions of the equation  $x'(t) = f(x(t))$  satisfying the initial condition 4.1, ..., 4.7 below and defined for all  $t$ . Draw the 7 graphs, of  $x_1(t), \dots, x_7(t)$  in the same  $(t, x)$  plane.

4.1.  $x(0) = -1.5$  4.2.  $x(1) = -1$  4.3.  $x(2) = -0.5$  4.4.  $x(3) = 0.5$

4.5.  $x(4) = 1$  4.6.  $x(5) = 1.5$  4.7.  $x(6) = 1.5$