MATH 246: Chapter 0,1 Things to Know Justin Wyss-Gallifent

- 1. The basic definitions associated to differential equations linear, order, partial, etc.
- 2. Solving explicit DEs, interval of existence for these.
- 3. Solving linear first-orde DEs, getting to linear normal form, interval of existence, for these.
- 4. Separable DEs, constant solutions.
- 5. Autonomous DEs, phase-plane diagrams, drawing families of solutions, identifying properties of solutions from sketches, stability of constant solutions.
- 6. Contour plots, drawing, picking out solutions, identifying properties of solutions from plots.
- 7. Direction fields, drawing, picking out solutions, identifying properties of solutions from plots.
- 8. Population dynamics problems, setting up and solving.
- 9. Tank problems, setting up and solving.
- 10. Falling object problems, setting up and solving, finding terminal velocity.
- 11. Euler's method (memorize), Runge-Midpoint and Runge-Trapezoid (formulas would be given).
- 12. Exact DEs, determining exactness, solving, determining and using integrating factors.
- 13. Implicit versus explicit solutions.
- 14. General vesus specific solutions, initial value problems.