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LARGE TIME BEHAVIOR OF SOLUTIONS TO A SYSTEM OF COUPLED NONLINEAR OSCILLATORS VIA A GENERALIZED FORM OF SCHAUDER-TYCHONOFF FIXED POINT THEOREM

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Abstract. In this paper we investigate the stability of the null solution of a system of ODEs describing the motion of two coupled damped nonlinear oscillators. We also show that for any solution (x, y) of the system we have $\lim_{t\to+\infty} x(t) = \lim_{t\to+\infty} \dot{x}(t) = \lim_{t\to+\infty} y(t) = \lim_{t\to+\infty} \dot{y}(t) = 0$, for small initial data in the case when the uniqueness of solutions is not guaranteed. Our proofs are mainly based on a generalized form of Schauder-Tychonoff fixed point theorem. The theoretical results are illustrated with numerical simulations.

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