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*Positive solutions of second-order nonlinear differential equations.*

We consider the existence and the uniqueness of positive solutions of the equation  $x'' + f(t, x) = 0$  on  $t \geq t_0 \geq 0$  satisfying the initial condition  $x(t_0) + ax'(t_0) = b$ ,  $a \leq 0$ ,  $b \geq 0$ . Monotonicity and sublinearity conditions on  $f$  are used and the proofs are based on the application of the Lattice Fixed Point Theorem and the Schauder–Tychonov Fixed Point Theorem. (Received September 04, 2007)