

3.3. Complex Roots of the Characteristic Equation.

$ay'' + by' + cy = 0$
when $b^2 - 4ac < 0$
auxiliary equation
 $ar^2 + br + c = 0$
has complex roots.

$$i = \sqrt{-1} \text{ or } i^2 = -1$$

any complex number

$$z = x + iy$$

where $x = \operatorname{Re}(z)$ real part

$y = \operatorname{Im}(z)$ imaginary part

both x and y are real

$$\sqrt{-4} = \sqrt{(-1)(4)} = \sqrt{-1} \sqrt{4} = 2i$$

a number $\bar{z} = x - iy$ is the
complex conjugate for $z = x + iy$

$$\begin{aligned} z \cdot \bar{z} &= (x - iy)(x + iy) \\ &= x^2 - (iy)^2 \\ &= x^2 + y^2 \text{ (real number)} \end{aligned}$$

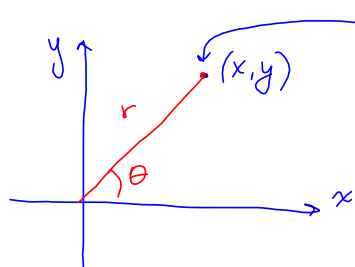
$$z_1 = x_1 + iy_1$$

$$z_2 = x_2 + iy_2$$

$$\bullet z_1 \pm z_2 = (x_1 \pm x_2) + i(y_1 \pm y_2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bullet z_1 \cdot z_2 &= (x_1 + iy_1)(x_2 + iy_2) \\ &= x_1 x_2 + i x_1 y_2 + i y_1 x_2 + \overset{-1}{i^2} y_1 y_2 \\ &= (x_1 x_2 - y_1 y_2) + i(x_1 y_2 + y_1 x_2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bullet \frac{z_1}{z_2} &= \frac{z_1 \cdot \bar{z}_2}{z_2 \cdot \bar{z}_2} = \frac{(x_1 + iy_1)(x_2 - iy_2)}{(x_2 + iy_2)(x_2 - iy_2)} \\ &= \frac{(x_1 x_2 + y_1 y_2) + i(x_2 y_1 - x_1 y_2)}{x_2^2 + y_2^2} \end{aligned}$$



$$z = x + iy = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta) \quad (\text{polar form})$$

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}$$

$$z = x + iy$$

$$= r e^{i\theta} \quad (\text{exponential form})$$

$$e^{i\theta} = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$$

Euler's formula:

$$e^{a+ib} = e^a (\cos b + i \sin b)$$

$$ay'' + by' + cy = 0, \quad b^2 - 4ac < 0$$

auxiliary equation

$$ar^2 + br + c = 0$$

$$r_1 = \frac{-b + \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$b^2 - 4ac = (-1) \overbrace{(4ac - b^2)}^0$$

$$= -\frac{b}{2a} + \frac{\sqrt{4ac - b^2}}{2a} i$$

complex number

$$r_2 = \frac{-b - \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \overline{r_1}$$

$$\operatorname{Re}(r_1) = -\frac{b}{2a} = \alpha$$

$$\operatorname{Im}(r_1) = \frac{\sqrt{4ac - b^2}}{2a} = \beta$$

solution in the form

$$e^{r_1 t} = e^{(\alpha + i\beta)t} \stackrel{\text{Euler's formula}}{=} e^{\alpha t} (\cos \beta t + i \sin \beta t)$$

$$\{e^{\alpha t} \cos \beta t, e^{\alpha t} \sin \beta t\} \text{ form the}$$

fundamental solution set of the equation.

General solution

$$y(t) = e^{\alpha t} (c_1 \cos \beta t + c_2 \sin \beta t)$$

E.1. Find the general solution of the equation

$$y'' - 2y' + 2y = 0.$$

auxiliary equation

$$r^2 - 2r + 2 = 0$$

$$r_1 = \frac{2 + \sqrt{4 - 8}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{2 + \sqrt{-4}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{2 + 2i}{2}$$

$$= 1 + i$$

$$\operatorname{Re}(r_1) = 1, \operatorname{Im}(r_1) = 1$$

General solution:

$$y(t) = (c_1 \cos t + c_2 \sin t) e^t$$

E.2. Find the solution of the initial value problem

$$y'' + 4y' + 5y = 0, \quad y(0) = 1, \quad y'(0) = 0$$

auxiliary equation

$$r^2 + 4r + 5 = 0$$

$$r_1 = \frac{-4 + \sqrt{16 - 20}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{-4 + \sqrt{-4}}{2}$$

$$= -2 + i$$

$$\operatorname{Re}(r_1) = -2, \quad \operatorname{Im}(r_1) = 1$$

General solution:

$$y(t) = (c_1 \cos t + c_2 \sin t) e^{-2t}$$

$$y'(t) = (-c_1 \sin t + c_2 \cos t) e^{-2t} + (-2)(c_1 \cos t + c_2 \sin t) e^{-2t}$$

$$1 = y(0) = c_1$$

$$0 = y'(0) = c_2 - 2c_1$$

$$c_1 = 1$$

$$c_2 = 2c_1 = 2$$

Solution of IVP

$$y(t) = (\cos t + 2 \sin t) e^{-2t}$$