

Answer Key

1. Solve the initial value problem

auxiliary equation:

$$r^2 + 1 = 0$$

$$r = \pm i$$

for complex numbers,

$$r = \alpha \pm \beta i$$

$$y_1(t) = e^{\alpha t} \cos \beta t$$

$$y_2(t) = e^{\alpha t} \sin \beta t$$

$$y(t) = C_1 e^{\alpha t} \cos \beta t + C_2 e^{\alpha t} \sin \beta t$$

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + y = 0, \quad y(0) = 1, \quad y'(0) = 1.$$

from $r = \pm i$,

$$\alpha = 0, \quad \beta = 1$$

$$y(t) = C_1 \cos t + C_2 \sin t \quad y(0) = C_1 = 1$$

$$y'(t) = -C_1 \sin t + C_2 \cos t \quad y'(0) = C_2 = 1$$

so, $y = \cos t + \sin t$

↳ plug into given equation to check

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} = -C_1 \cos t - C_2 \sin t$$

$$-C_1 \cos t - C_2 \sin t + C_1 \cos t + C_2 \sin t = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

↳ works for when $C_1 = 1, C_2 = 1$

2. Solve the initial value problem

auxiliary equation:

$$r^2 - 5r + 6 = 0$$

$$(r-2)(r-3) = 0$$

$$r = 2, 3$$

↳ homogeneous solutions of $y_h = e^{2t}, e^{3t}$

to find all possible solutions,

$$y_p'' - 5y_p' + 6y_p = -e^{2t}$$

$$-y'' - 5y' + 6y = -e^{2t}$$

$$(y - y_p)'' - 5(y - y_p)' + 6(y - y_p) = 0$$

$$\downarrow y - y_p = C_1 e^{2t} + C_2 e^{3t}$$

$$y = y_p + C_1 e^{2t} + C_2 e^{3t}$$

$$y(t) = t e^{2t} + C_1 e^{2t} + C_2 e^{3t}$$

$$y'(t) = e^{2t} + 2t e^{2t} + 2C_1 e^{2t} + 3C_2 e^{3t}$$

$$y(0) = C_1 + C_2 = 2$$

$$y'(0) = 1 + 2C_1 + 3C_2 = 5$$

$$C_1 = 2, C_2 = 0$$

$$\downarrow y(t) = t e^{2t} + 2e^{2t}$$

$$y'' - 5y' + 6y = -e^{2t}, \quad y(0) = 2, \quad y'(0) = 5.$$

find the particular solution for the nonhomogeneous case

$$\downarrow y = c t e^{2t}$$

multiply by t
b/c it matches homo. sol.

$$y' = c e^{2t} + 2c t e^{2t}$$

$$y'' = 2c e^{2t} + 2c e^{2t} + 4c t e^{2t}$$

$$(2c e^{2t} + 2c e^{2t} + 4c t e^{2t}) - 5(c e^{2t} + 2c t e^{2t}) + 6(c t e^{2t}) = -e^{2t}$$

$$\downarrow c = 1$$

$$y_p = t e^{2t}$$