

Continue second order linear equations.

Wronskian determinant

Complex roots of characteristic equation.

Wronskian: Consider IVP $\begin{cases} y'' + p(t)y' + q(t)y = 0 \\ y(t_0) = y_0, y'(t_0) = y'_0 \end{cases}$

eg. $y'' - y = 0 \rightarrow$ two solutions $y_1(t) = e^t$ $y_2(t) = e^{-t}$

Suppose y_1 and y_2 are two particular solⁿs

to $y'' + p(t)y' + q(t)y = 0$

Q: can we find a combination

$y(t) = c_1 y_1(t) + c_2 y_2(t)$ that satisfies
the initial conditions $y(t_0) = y_0, y'(t_0) = y'_0$

That is need to solve for c_1 and c_2 :

$$y(t_0) = c_1 y_1(t_0) + c_2 y_2(t_0) = y_0$$

$$y'(t_0) = c_1 y_1'(t_0) + c_2 y_2'(t_0) = y'_0$$

Note: it's two equations in two unknowns.
Good.

Bad: $x + y = 2$ } two equations, two unknowns
 inconsistent $-3x - 3y = 2$ }
 $(-3)(x+y) = 2$ } No solutions

redundant $x + y = 2$ } infinitely many solutions
 $-3x - 3y = -6$ }

Consider equations $\begin{cases} ax + by = m \\ cx + dy = n \end{cases}$

If $ad - bc \neq 0$, then this system has a unique solution.

$$ad - bc = \det \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} \quad \text{DETERMINANT}$$

in the second order linear case,

$$c_1 y_1(t_0) + c_2 y_2(t_0) = y_0$$

$$c_1 y_1'(t_0) + c_2 y_2'(t_0) = y_0'$$

If $y_1(t_0)y_2'(t_0) - y_2(t_0)y_1'(t_0) \neq 0$ then the system has a unique solution:

The expression

$$y_1(t_0)y_2'(t_0) - y_2(t_0)y_1'(t_0) =: W(y_1, y_2)(t_0)$$

is called the Wronskian of the solutions

y_1 and y_2 at the point t_0 .

- If y_1 and y_2 are particular solutions and $W(y_1, y_2)(t_0) \neq 0$, then the IVP $y(t_0) = y_0$, $y'(t_0) = y_0'$ always has a unique solution of the form

$$y = c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2$$

- In this case, y_1 and y_2 are called a fundamental set of solutions and

$$y = c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2 \text{ is called the } \underline{\text{general sol}^n}.$$

Check if $ay'' + by' + cy = 0$

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

solutions r_1 and r_2 real and not equal

$$y_1 = e^{r_1 t} \quad y_2 = e^{r_2 t}$$

$$\text{Wronskian: } \begin{vmatrix} y_1(t) & y_2(t) \\ y_1'(t) & y_2'(t) \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} e^{r_1 t} & e^{r_2 t} \\ r_1 e^{r_1 t} & r_2 e^{r_2 t} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= e^{r_1 t} (r_2 e^{r_2 t}) - e^{r_2 t} (r_1 e^{r_1 t})$$

$$= (r_2 - r_1) e^{(r_1 + r_2)t} \neq 0 \text{ because } r_1 \neq r_2$$

So $e^{r_1 t}$ and $e^{r_2 t}$ are a fundamental set of solutions.

If $r_1 = r_2$ e.g. $(r+1)^2 = r^2 + 2r + 1$

$$y'' + 2y' + y = 0$$

$$y_1 = e^{-t}$$

$$y_2 = e^{-t}$$

Magic \rightarrow te^{-t} is also a solution.

Not enough solutions

$$W(y_1, y_2)(t) = 0$$

Another case: Characteristic equation has complex roots.

Ex $y'' + y = 0$ $r^2 + 1 = 0$ $r_1 = \sqrt{-1} = i$

$$r_2 = -\sqrt{-1} = -i$$

$i = \text{imaginary unit}$ $i^2 = -1$

general complex number $a+bi$, where a and b are real numbers.

ADD $(1+2i) + (12-32i) = (1+12) + (2-32)i$
 $= 13 + (-30)i$

MULTIPLY $(1+2i)(12-32i) \xrightarrow{\text{FOIL}} 1 \cdot 12 + 1 \cdot (-32)i$
 $2 \cdot 12i + (2) \cdot (-32)i^2$

$\rightarrow = 12 + (-32)i + 24i - 64i^2$

$= 12 + (24-32)i - 64(-1)$

$= 12 + 64 - 8i = 76 - 8i$

DIVISION $\frac{2+i}{1-3i} = \frac{2+i}{1-3i} \cdot \frac{1+3i}{1+3i}$

$= \frac{(2+i)(1+3i)}{(1-3i)(1+3i)} = \frac{(2+i)(1+3i)}{1^2 - (3i)^2}$

$= \frac{(2+i)(1+3i)}{1 - (-9)} = \frac{(2+i)(1+3i)}{10}$

$= \frac{-1+7i}{10} = \frac{-1}{10} + \frac{7}{10}i$

$1+3i$ is the complex conjugate of $1-3i$

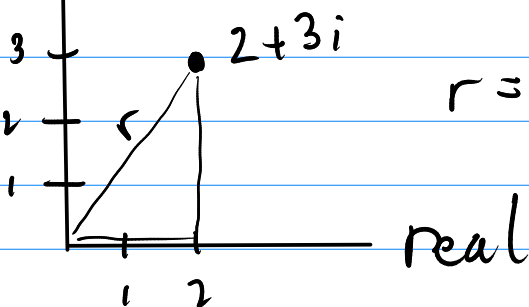
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Geometry of complex numbers:

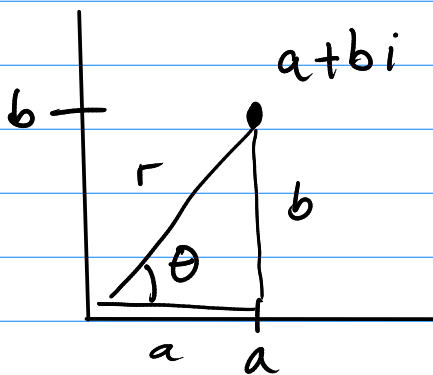
Complex number \longleftrightarrow point in the plane

$$a+bi \quad (a, b)$$

imaginary



$$r = \sqrt{2^2 + 3^2} = \sqrt{13}$$



$$r = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{a}{r}$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{b}{r}$$

$$(a, b) = (r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta) \quad \text{Polar coordinates}$$

$$a+bi = r \cos \theta + i r \sin \theta$$

$$= r (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$$

Polar representation
of a complex
number.

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

Euler's
formula

Why make this definition?

① Exponential law: $e^{i\theta_1} \cdot e^{i\theta_2} = e^{i\theta_1 + i\theta_2} = e^{i(\theta_1 + \theta_2)}$

② Derivative of exponential $\frac{d}{dt}(e^{rt}) = r e^{rt}$

still true $\frac{d}{dt}(e^{it}) = i e^{it}$

③ Power series representations

$$e^{ix} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(ix)^n}{n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n}}{(2n)!} + i \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1} x^{2n-1}}{(2n-1)!}$$

$$= \cos x + i \sin x$$

Prove: $e^{i\theta_1} \cdot e^{i\theta_2} = e^{i(\theta_1 + \theta_2)}$

$$(\cos \theta_1 + i \sin \theta_1) \cdot (\cos \theta_2 + i \sin \theta_2)$$

$$= (\cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 - \sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_2)$$

$$+ (\sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 + \cos \theta_1 \sin \theta_2) i$$

$$= \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) + i \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2)$$

Because of trig identities.

$$= e^{i(\theta_1 + \theta_2)}$$

Done.

Prove $\frac{d}{dt}(e^{it}) = ie^{it}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt}(\cos t + i \sin t) &= \frac{d}{dt}(\cos t) + \frac{d}{dt}(i \sin t) \\ &= \frac{d}{dt}(\cos t) + i \frac{d}{dt}(\sin t) \end{aligned}$$

$$= -\sin t + i \cos t$$

$$\begin{aligned} ie^{it} &= i(\cos t + i \sin t) = i \cos t + i^2 \sin t \\ &= -\sin t + i \cos t \end{aligned}$$

Done.

$$e^{5+3i} := e^5 \cdot e^{3i} = e^5 (\cos 3 + i \sin 3)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(e^{ibt}) = ibe^{ibt}$$

Ex $y'' + y = 0$ if e^{rt} is a solution, then

$$(e^{rt})'' + (e^{rt}) = r^2 e^{rt} + e^{rt} = (r^2 + 1) e^{rt}$$

$$r^2 + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow r_1 = i$$

$$r_2 = -i$$

$$y_1(t) = e^{it}$$

$$y_2(t) = e^{-it}$$

complex-valued solutions: no physical meaning.

$$y_1(t) = e^{it} = \cos t + i \sin t$$

$$y_2(t) = e^{-it} = \cos(-t) + i \sin(-t) \\ = \cos t - i \sin t$$

Equation is linear \Rightarrow add or subtract solutions.

$$y_1(t) + y_2(t) = \cos t + i \sin t + \cos t - i \sin t \\ = 2 \cos t \leftarrow \text{real solution,}$$

$$(2 \cos t)'' + (2 \cos t) = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$y_1(t) - y_2(t) = \cos t + i \sin t - \cos t + i \sin t \\ = 2i \sin t$$

$$\frac{y_1(t) - y_2(t)}{i} = 2 \sin t \leftarrow \text{real solution,}$$

So in fact $2 \cos t$ and $2 \sin t$ are
a fundamental set of real solutions.

and the general solution is

$$y(t) = c_1 (2 \cos t) + c_2 (2 \sin t)$$