

Complex roots cont. & Repeated roots

Complex numbers $a+bi$ a, b real

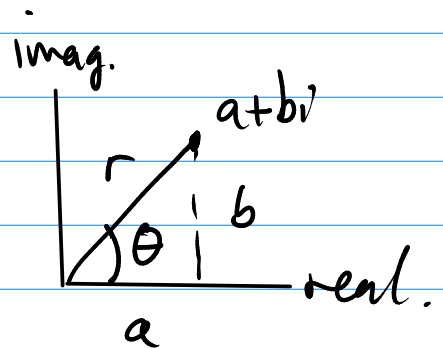
$$i^2 = -1$$

$a+bi$ rectangular form

$re^{i\theta}$ polar form

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

$$e^{i\theta_1} \cdot e^{i\theta_2} = e^{i(\theta_1 + \theta_2)} \quad \frac{d}{dt} e^{it} = ie^{it}$$



Example $y'' + y = 0$

if e^{rt} is a solution $r^2 + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow r = i$
or $r = -i$

Complex solutions $y_1 = e^{it}$, $y_2 = e^{-it}$

$$u(t) = \frac{1}{2}(y_1 + y_2) = \frac{1}{2}(e^{it} + e^{-it})$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(\cos t + i \sin t + \cos(-t) + i \sin(-t))$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(\cos t + i \sin t + \cos t - i \sin t)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(\cos t + \cos t) = \cos t$$

$$v(t) = \frac{1}{2i} (y_1 - y_2) = \sin t$$

so $\cos t$ and $\sin t$ are a set of real solutions.

Idea behind these combinations:

Suppose $z = a + bi$ is a complex number.

a is called the REAL PART

b is called the IMAGINARY PART

$\bar{z} = a - bi$ is called the COMPLEX CONJUGATE

$$\frac{1}{2} (z + \bar{z}) = \frac{1}{2} (a + bi + a - bi) = \frac{1}{2} (a + a) = a$$

$$\frac{1}{2i} (z - \bar{z}) = \frac{1}{2i} (a + bi - a + bi) = \frac{1}{2i} (2ib) = b$$

$$\text{Real Part}(z) = \frac{1}{2} (z + \bar{z})$$

$$\text{Imag. Part}(z) = \frac{1}{2i} (z - \bar{z})$$

Fact: complex conjugates in polar form:

$$z = r e^{i\theta} \quad \text{then} \quad \bar{z} = r e^{-i\theta}$$

Exercise: prove this using Euler's formula.

Example for when roots of characteristic equation are complex

$$y'' - 2y' + 5y = 0 \quad \text{ODE}$$

$$r^2 - 2r + 5 = 0 \quad \text{characteristic equation.}$$

Quadratic formula $\frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$

$$a=1, b=-2, c=5$$

$$r = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 4 \cdot 5}}{2} = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{-16}}{2} = \frac{2 \pm 4i}{2} = 1 \pm 2i$$

$$r_1 = 1 + 2i \quad r_2 = 1 - 2i$$

NOTICE r_1 and r_2 are complex conjugates.

$$y_1 = e^{r_1 t} = e^{(1+2i)t} = e^{t+2it} = e^t e^{2it} = e^t (\cos(2t) + i \sin(2t))$$

$$y_2 = e^{r_2 t} = e^{(1-2i)t} = e^t e^{-2it} = e^t e^{-2it} = e^t (\cos(-2t) + i \sin(-2t)) = e^t (\cos(2t) - i \sin(2t))$$

Notice y_1 and y_2 are conjugates.

Real solutions

$$u(t) = \frac{1}{2}(y_1 + y_2) = e^t \cos(2t)$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(y_1 + \bar{y}_1) = \text{Real Part}(y_1)$$

$$v(t) = \frac{1}{2i}(y_1 - y_2) = e^t \sin(2t)$$

$$\frac{1}{2i}(y_1 - \bar{y}_1) = \text{Imag. Part}(y_1)$$

General Real solution: $y = c_1 u + c_2 v$

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

Can also solve IVP $y(t_0) = y_0$, $y'(t_0) = y'_0$

Summary: $ay'' + by' + cy = 0$

char eqn : $ar^2 + br + c = 0$

If $b^2 - 4ac < 0$, then the roots are a complex conjugate pair $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \alpha + \beta i \\ \alpha - \beta i \end{array} \right\}$

$$\alpha \pm \beta i = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

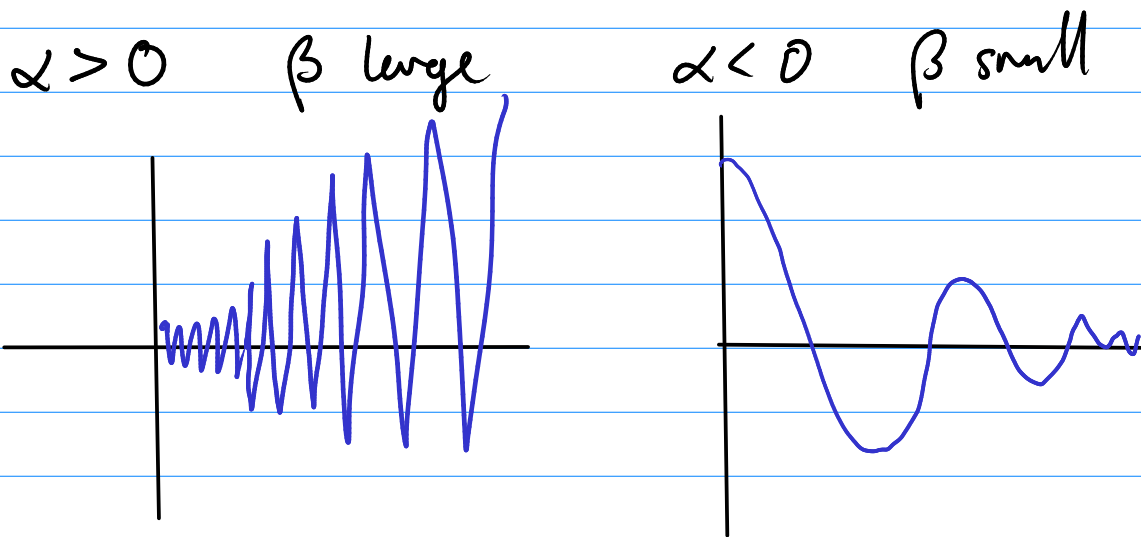
complex solutions: $y_1 = e^{(\alpha + \beta i)t} = e^{\alpha t} e^{i\beta t}$

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

Real solutions: $u(t) = \text{Real}(y_1) = e^{\alpha t} \cos(\beta t)$

$$v(t) = \text{Imag}(y_1) = e^{\alpha t} \sin(\beta t)$$

Shape of solutions: $\cos(\beta t)$, $\sin(\beta t)$ oscillate while $e^{\alpha t}$ grows or decays:



last case: Only one real root
(repeated root)

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

what happens is $b^2 - 4ac = 0$

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

$$r = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \frac{-b}{2a}$$

in this case $ar^2 + br + c = a\left(r - \left(\frac{-b}{2a}\right)\right)^2$

Still, we know that $y_1 = e^{rt} = e^{-bt/2a}$

is a solution:

But that's not enough:

general solution should look like $c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2$

where y_1 and y_2 form a fundamental set.

$$W(y_1, y_2)(t) = y_1 y_2' - y_2 y_1' \neq 0$$

Q: What is the other solution?

Technique: reduction of order:

Idea $y_1 = e^{rt} = e^{-bt/2a}$ is a solution

so $C y_1$ is also a solution if C is constant.

D'Alembert suggests try $v(t) y_1 = y_2$

Know y_1 is a solution want y_2 to be a solution.

$$y_2' = v' y_1 + v y_1'$$

$$y_2'' = v'' y_1 + v' y_1' + v' y_1' + v y_1'' = v'' y_1 + 2v' y_1' + v y_1''$$

$$0 \stackrel{?}{=} ay_2'' + by_2' + cy_2 = av''y_1 + 2av'y_1' + avy_1'' + bv'y_1 + bvy_1' + cvy_1$$

since y_1 is solution

$$= av''y_1 + 2av'y_1' + bv'y_1 + v(\cancel{ay_1'' + by_1' + cy_1})$$

Now use the fact that $y_1 = e^{rt} = e^{(-b/2a)t}$

$$y_1' = -\frac{b}{2a} e^{(-b/2a)t}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{so } 2av'y_1' + bv'y_1 &= 2av' \left(-\frac{b}{2a} \right) e^{rt} + bv'e^{rt} \\ &= v'(-b)e^{rt} + bv'e^{rt} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$= av''y_1 = a e^{(-\frac{b}{2a})t} v'' \stackrel{?}{=} 0$$

$$\text{Need } v'' = 0$$

General solution $v(t) = c_1 t + c_2$

$$\text{So } y_2 = (c_1 t + c_2) y_1 = (c_1 t + c_2) e^{(-\frac{b}{2a})t}$$

is always a solution for constants c_1 and c_2

$$y_2 = c_1 t e^{(-\frac{b}{2a})t} + c_2 e^{(-\frac{b}{2a})t}$$

The other solution we're looking for is

$$y = t e^{\left(\frac{-b}{2a}\right)t}$$

Fundamental set $y_1 = e^{\left(\frac{-b}{2a}\right)t}$, $y_2 = t e^{\left(\frac{-b}{2a}\right)t}$

Example: $y'' - 6y' + 9y = 0$

$$(r-3)^2 = r^2 - 6r + 9 = 0$$

$r=3$ is the only root.

$y_1 = e^{3t}$ is a solution.

Try $y_2 = v(t)e^{3t}$

$$\begin{aligned} & y_2'' - 6y_2' + 9y_2 \\ = & \left. \begin{aligned} & v''e^{3t} + 6v'e^{3t} + 9ve^{3t} \\ & - 6v'e^{3t} - 18ve^{3t} \\ & + 9ve^{3t} \end{aligned} \right\} = v''e^{3t} \stackrel{?}{=} 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$v = c_1 t + c_2$$

General solution: $y = c_1 t e^{3t} + c_2 e^{3t}$

Fundamental set e^{3t} , $t e^{3t}$