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SM286 – Quiz 7 – Section 4.3b

Homogeneous DEs with Constant Coefficients (Complex Roots)

1. Solve the following initial value problem (do not combine sin/cos terms):

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + k^2x = 0, \quad x(0) = a, \quad x'(0) = b$$

$$(D^2 + k^2)x = 0 \Rightarrow D = \pm k i \Rightarrow x = C_1 \sin(kt) + C_2 \cos(kt)$$

$$\Rightarrow x(0) = C_2 = a \Rightarrow x = C_1 \sin(kt) + a \cos(kt)$$

$$\Rightarrow x'(t) = k C_1 \cos(kt) - k a \sin(kt)$$

$$x'(0) = k C_1 = b \Rightarrow C_1 = \frac{b}{k}$$

$$x = \frac{b}{k} \sin(kt) + a \cos(kt)$$

2. What is the general solution for (let  $t$  be the independent variable):

$$(D^2 + 3D + 2)(D^2 - 1)(D^2 + 1)(D^2 + 4D + 5)y = 0$$

$$(D+1)(D+2)(D+1)(D-1)(D^2+1)(D^2+4D+5)y = 0$$

REPEAT

$$D = -1, -2, -1, 1, \pm i, 2 \pm i$$

$$\Rightarrow y = c_1 e^{-t} + c_2 t e^{-t} + c_3 e^{-2t} + c_4 e^t + c_5 \sin(t) + c_6 \cos(t) + c_7 e^{-2t} \sin(t) + c_8 e^{-2t} \cos(t)$$