

Today

- Complex number review and Euler's formula
- Complex roots to the characteristic equations
- Repeated roots to the characteristic equations

Tutorial poll

- (A) Post worksheet online on Friday, print and hand in during tutorial.
- (B) Post worksheet online on Friday, get from TA and hand in during tutorial.
- (C) Hand out worksheet during tutorial, hand in during Tuesday class.
- (D) As currently done.

Complex number review

- We define a new number: $i = \sqrt{-1}$
- Before, we would get stuck solving any equation that required square-rooting a negative number. No longer.
- e.g. The solutions to $x^2 - 4x + 5 = 0$ are $x = 2 + i$ and $x = 2 - i$
- For any equation, $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$, when $b^2 - 4ac < 0$, the solutions have the form $x = \alpha \pm \beta i$ where α and β are both real numbers.
- For $\alpha + \beta i$, we call α the real part and β the imaginary part.

Complex number review

- **Adding** two complex numbers:

$$(a + bi) + (c + di) = \underbrace{a + c} + \underbrace{(b + d)}i$$

- **Multiplying** two complex numbers:

$$(a + bi)(c + di) = \underbrace{ac - bd} + \underbrace{(ad + bc)}i$$

- **Dividing** by a complex number:

$$(a + bi)/(c + di) = (a + bi) \frac{1}{(c + di)}$$

- What is the **inverse** of $c+di$?

Complex number review

- What is the **inverse** of $c+di$ written in the usual complex form $p+qi$?

(A) $c - di$ ★ (C) $\frac{c - di}{c^2 + d^2}$
(B) $\frac{c + di}{c^2 + d^2}$ (D) $\frac{1}{c - di}$

$$(c + di) \frac{c - di}{c^2 + d^2} = \frac{c^2 + d^2 - (cd - dc)i}{c^2 + d^2} = 1$$

- **Dividing** by a complex number:

$$(a + bi)/(c + di) = (a + bi) \frac{c - di}{c^2 + d^2} = \frac{ac + bd}{c^2 + d^2} + \frac{(bc - ad)i}{c^2 + d^2}$$

Complex number review

- Definitions:

- **Conjugate** - the conjugate of $a + bi$ is

$$\overline{a + bi} = a - bi$$

- **Magnitude** - the magnitude of $a + bi$ is

$$|a + bi| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$$

Complex number review

- Geometric interpretation of complex numbers

• e.g. $a + bi$

$$a = M \cos \theta$$

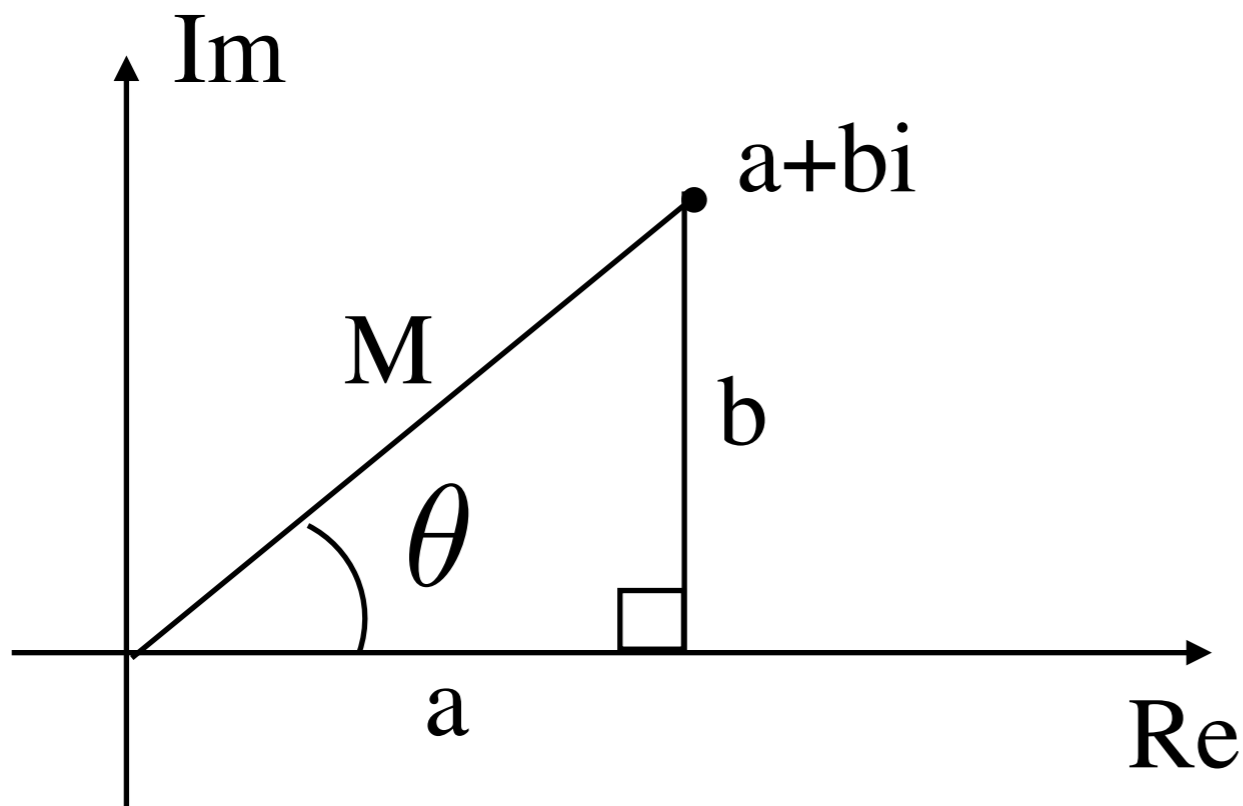
$$b = M \sin \theta$$

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

$$\theta = \arctan \left(\frac{b}{a} \right)$$

$$a + bi = M(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$$

θ is sometimes called the argument or phase of $a + bi$.



Complex number review

- Toward Euler's formula

- Taylor series - recall that a function can be represented as

$$f(x) = f(x_0) + f'(x_0)(x - x_0) + \frac{f''(x_0)}{2!}(x - x_0)^2 + \dots$$

- What function has Taylor series $1 + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots$

★ (A) $\cos x$

★ (C) e^x

★ (B) $\sin x$

(D) $\ln x$

Complex number review

- Use Taylor series to rewrite $\cos \theta + i \sin \theta$.

$$\begin{aligned}\cos \theta + i \sin \theta &= 1 - \frac{\theta^2}{2!} + \frac{\theta^4}{4!} - \dots + i \left(\theta - \frac{\theta^3}{3!} + \frac{\theta^5}{5!} - \dots \right) \\ &= 1 + i\theta + (-1)\frac{\theta^2}{2!} + (-1)i\frac{\theta^3}{3!} + (-1)^2\frac{\theta^4}{4!} + \dots \\ &= 1 + i\theta + i^2\frac{\theta^2}{2!} + i^3\frac{\theta^3}{3!} + i^4\frac{\theta^4}{4!} + \dots \\ &= 1 + i\theta + \frac{(i\theta)^2}{2!} + \frac{(i\theta)^3}{3!} + \frac{(i\theta)^4}{4!} + \dots = e^{i\theta}\end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{-1 = i^2}$$

$$\sin x = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots \quad \cos x = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \dots$$

Complex number review

- Use Taylor series to rewrite $\cos \theta + i \sin \theta$.

$$\cos \theta + i \sin \theta$$

Euler's formula:

$$= e^{i\theta}$$

Complex number review

- Geometric interpretation of complex numbers

- e.g. $a + bi$

$$a = M \cos \theta$$

$$b = M \sin \theta$$

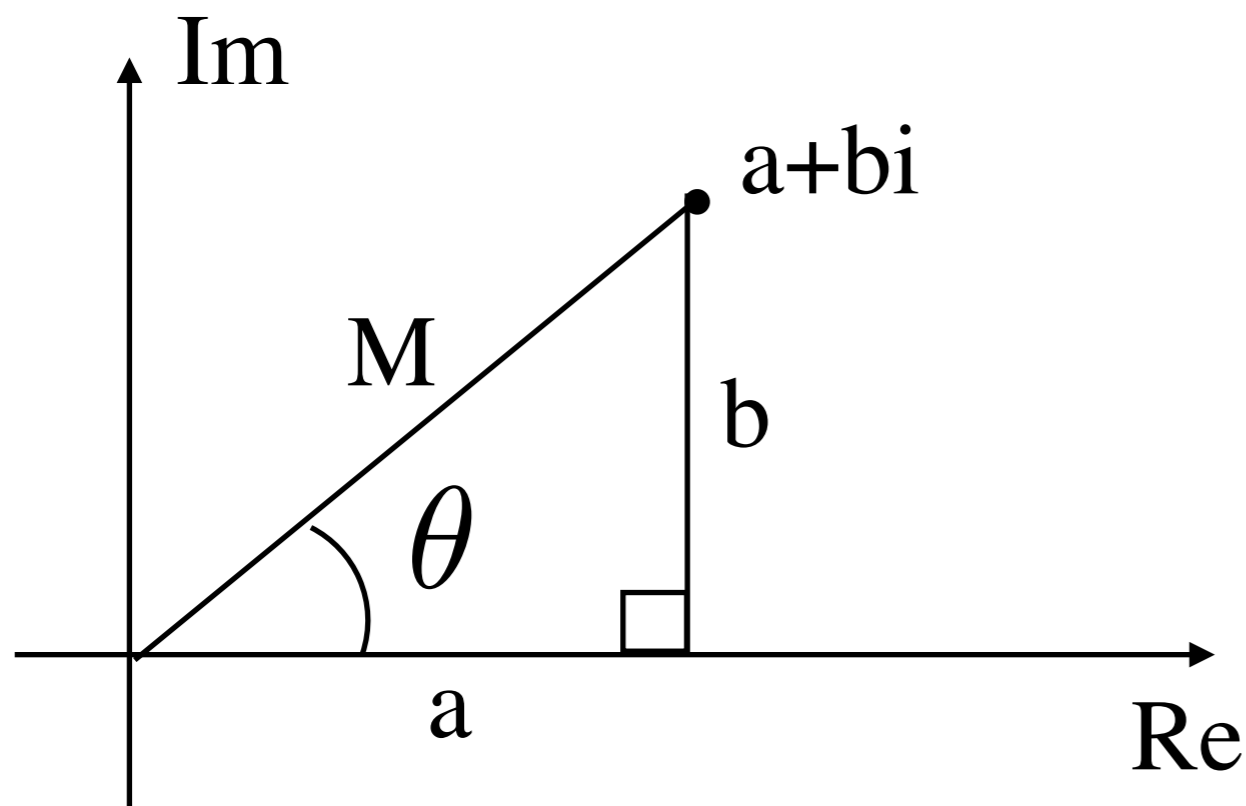
$$M = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$$

$$\theta = \arctan \left(\frac{b}{a} \right)$$

$$a + bi = M(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$$

$$a + bi = M e^{i\theta}$$

(Polar form makes multiplication much cleaner)



Complex roots

- For the general case, $ay'' + by' + cy = 0$, by assuming $y(t) = e^{rt}$ we get the **characteristic equation**:

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

- When $b^2 - 4ac < 0$, we get complex roots:

$$\begin{aligned} r_{1,2} &= \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \\ &= \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{-1} \sqrt{4ac - b^2}}{2a} \\ &= \frac{-b \pm i \sqrt{4ac - b^2}}{2a} = \frac{-b}{2a} \pm \frac{\sqrt{4ac - b^2}}{2a} i \\ &= \alpha \pm \beta i \end{aligned}$$

Complex roots

- Complex roots to the characteristic equation mean complex valued solution to the ODE:

$$\begin{aligned}y_1(t) &= e^{(\alpha + \beta i)t} \\ &= e^{\alpha t} e^{i\beta t} \\ &= e^{\alpha t} (\cos(\beta t) + i \sin(\beta t))\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}y_2(t) &= e^{(\alpha - \beta i)t} \\ &= e^{\alpha t} e^{-i\beta t} \\ &= e^{\alpha t} (\cos(-\beta t) + i \sin(-\beta t)) \\ &= e^{\alpha t} (\cos(\beta t) - i \sin(\beta t))\end{aligned}$$

Complex roots

- Complex roots to the characteristic equation mean complex valued solution to the ODE:

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

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

- Instead of using these to form the general solution, let's use them to find two real valued solutions:

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

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

- General solution:

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

Complex roots

- To be sure this is a general solution, we must check the Wronskian:

$$W(e^{\alpha t} \cos(\beta t), e^{\alpha t} \sin(\beta t))(t) =$$

(for you to fill in later - is it non-zero?)

Recall: $W(y_1, y_2)(t) = y_1(t)y_2'(t) - y_1'(t)y_2(t)$

Complex roots

- Example: Find the (real valued) general solution to the equation

$$y'' + 2y' + 5y = 0$$

- Step 1: Assume $y(t) = e^{rt}$, plug this into the equation and find values of r that make it work.

(A) $r_1 = 1 + 2i, r_2 = 1 - 2i$

(A) $r_1 = 2 + 4i, r_2 = 2 - 4i$

★ (B) $r_1 = -1 + 2i, r_2 = -1 - 2i$

(B) $r_1 = -2 + 4i, r_2 = -2 - 4i$

(C) $r_1 = 1 - 2i, r_2 = -1 + 2i$

Complex roots

- Example: Find the (real valued) general solution to the equation

$$y'' + 2y' + 5y = 0$$

- Step 2: Real part of r goes in the exponent, imaginary part goes in the trig functions.

★ (A) $y(t) = e^{-t}(C_1 \cos(2t) + C_2 \sin(2t))$

(B) $y(t) = C_1 e^{(-1+2i)t} + C_2 e^{(-1-2i)t}$

(C) $y(t) = C_1 \cos(2t) + C_2 \sin(2t) + C_3 e^{-t}$

(D) $y(t) = C_1 \cos(2t) + C_2 \sin(2t)$

Complex roots

- Example: Find the solution to the IVP

$$y'' + 2y' + 5y = 0, \quad y(0) = 1, \quad y'(0) = 0$$

- General solution: $y(t) = e^{-t}(C_1 \cos(2t) + C_2 \sin(2t))$

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

(B) $y(t) = e^{-t} \left(\cos(2t) - \frac{1}{2} \sin(2t) \right)$

(C) $y(t) = \frac{1}{2} e^{-t} (2 \cos(2t) - \sin(2t))$

★ (D) $y(t) = \frac{1}{2} e^{-t} (2 \cos(2t) + \sin(2t))$

Repeated roots

- For the general case, $ay'' + by' + cy = 0$, by assuming $y(t) = e^{rt}$

we get the **characteristic equation**:

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

- There are three cases.

I. Two distinct real roots: $b^2 - 4ac > 0$. ($r_1 \neq r_2$)

II. A repeated real root: $b^2 - 4ac = 0$.

III. Two complex roots: $b^2 - 4ac < 0$.

- For case ii ($r_1 = r_2 = r$), we need another independent solution!
- **Reduction of order** - a method for guessing another solution.

Reduction of order

- You have one solution $y_1(t)$ and you want to find another independent one, $y_2(t)$.
- Guess that $y_2(t) = v(t)y_1(t)$ for some as yet unknown $v(t)$. If you can find $v(t)$ this way, great. If not, gotta try something else.
- Example - $y'' + 4y' + 4y = 0$. Only one root to the characteristic equation, $r=-2$, so we only get one solution that way: $y_1(t) = e^{-2t}$.
- Use **Reduction of order** to find a second solution.

$$y_2(t) = v(t)e^{-2t}$$

- Heuristic explanation for exponential solutions and Reduction of order.

Reduction of order

For the equation $y'' + 4y' + 4y = 0$, say you know $y_1(t) = e^{-2t}$.

$$\text{Guess } y_2(t) = v(t)e^{-2t}. \quad y_2'(t) = v'(t)e^{-2t} - 2v(t)e^{-2t}$$
$$\Downarrow \qquad \qquad \qquad \Downarrow$$
$$\underline{4y_2(t) = 4v(t)e^{-2t}} \quad \underline{4y_2'(t) = 4v'(t)e^{-2t} - 8v(t)e^{-2t}}$$

$$y_2''(t) = v''(t)e^{-2t} - 2v'(t)e^{-2t} - 2v'(t)e^{-2t} + 4v(t)e^{-2t}$$

$$\Downarrow \quad \underline{y_2''(t) = v''(t)e^{-2t} - 4v'(t)e^{-2t} + 4v(t)e^{-2t}}$$

$$0 = y_2'' + 4y_2' + 4y_2 = v''e^{-2t}$$

$$v'' = 0 \Rightarrow v' = C_1 \Rightarrow v(t) = C_1t + C_2$$

Reduction of order

For the equation $y'' + 4y' + 4y = 0$, say you know $y_1(t) = e^{-2t}$.

Guess $y_2(t) = v(t)e^{-2t}$ (where $v(t) = C_1t + C_2$).

$$= (C_1t + C_2)e^{-2t}$$

$$y(t) = C_1 \underbrace{te^{-2t}}_{y_2(t)} + C_2 \underbrace{e^{-2t}}_{y_1(t)}$$

Is this the general solution? Calculate the Wronskian:

$$W(e^{-2t}, te^{-2t})(t) = y_1(t)y_2'(t) - y_1'(t)y_2(t) = e^{-4t} \neq 0$$

So yes!

Summary

- For the general case, $ay'' + by' + cy = 0$, by assuming $y(t) = e^{rt}$

we get the **characteristic equation**:

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

- There are three cases.

I. Two distinct real roots: $b^2 - 4ac > 0$. (r_1, r_2)

$$y(t) = C_1 e^{r_1 t} + C_2 e^{r_2 t}$$

II. A repeated real root: $b^2 - 4ac = 0$. (r)

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

III. Two complex roots: $b^2 - 4ac < 0$. ($r_{1,2} = \alpha \pm i\beta$)

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

Second order, linear, constant coeff, homogeneous

- Find the general solution to the equation

$$y'' - 6y' + 8y = 0$$

(A) $y(t) = C_1 e^{-2t} + C_2 e^{-4t}$

★ (B) $y(t) = C_1 e^{2t} + C_2 e^{4t}$

(C) $y(t) = e^{2t} (C_1 \cos(4t) + C_2 \sin(4t))$

(D) $y(t) = e^{-2t} (C_1 \cos(4t) + C_2 \sin(4t))$

(E) $y(t) = C_1 e^{2t} + C_2 t e^{4t}$

Second order, linear, constant coeff, homogeneous

- Find the general solution to the equation

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

(A) $y(t) = C_1 e^{3t}$

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

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

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

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

Second order, linear, constant coeff, homogeneous

- Find the general solution to the equation

$$y'' - 6y' + 10y = 0$$

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

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

(C) $y(t) = C_1 \cos(3t) + C_2 \sin(3t)$

(D) $y(t) = e^t (C_1 \cos(3t) + C_2 \sin(3t))$

★ (E) $y(t) = e^{3t} (C_1 \cos(t) + C_2 \sin(t))$