

# Ordinary Differential Equations - 10413181

## Homework No. 7

1. For the following expressions (with  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ ), identify the real part, the imaginary part, the complex conjugate, and use Euler's formula to write each as  $a + ib$

(a)  $\exp((1 + 2i)t) = e^t e^{2it}$

Complex conjugate:  $e^t e^{-2it}$

Euler's formula:  $e^t(\cos(2t) + i \sin(2t))$

Real part:  $e^t \cos(2t)$

Imaginary part:  $e^t \sin(2t)$

(b)  $\exp((2 + 4i)t) = e^{2x} e^{4ix}$

Complex conjugate:  $e^{2x} e^{-4ix}$

Real part:  $(z + \bar{z})/2 = e^{2x} \cos(4x)$

Imaginary part:  $(z - \bar{z})/2i = e^{2x} \sin(4x)$

Euler's formula:  $e^{2x}(\cos(4x) + i \sin(4x))$

(c)  $e^{2+i\pi/2} = e^2 e^{i\pi/2}$

Complex conjugate:  $e^2 e^{-i\pi/2}$

Euler's formula:  $e^2(\cos(\pi/2) + i \sin(\pi/2)) = ie^2 \sin(\pi/2)$

Real part: 0

Imaginary part:  $e^2(\sin(\pi/2))$

2. Find solutions to the following initial value problems, write these using Euler's formula, and describe their behavior for large time  $t$

(a)  $y'' + 4y = 0, \quad y(0) = 0, y'(0) = 1$

Characteristic polynomial  $r^2 + 4 = 0$  has roots  $r = \pm 2i$

$$y = Ae^{2it} + Be^{-2it}$$

$$y(0) = A + B = 0 \Rightarrow A = -B$$

$$y'(0) = 2iA - 2iB = 1 \Rightarrow B = i/4$$

$$\Rightarrow y = -ie^{2it}/4 + ie^{-2it}/4 \Leftrightarrow y = \sin(2t)/2$$

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

Characteristic polynomial  $r^2 + 4r + 5 = 0$  has roots  $r = -2 \pm i$

$$\Rightarrow y = Ae^{(-2+i)t} + Be^{(-2-i)t} = e^{-2t}(C \cos(t) + D \sin(t))$$

$$y(0) = C = 1$$

$$y'(0) = -2C + D = 0 \Rightarrow D = 2$$

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

(c)  $y'' - 6y' + 13y = 0, \quad y(\pi/2) = 0, y'(\pi/2) = 2$

Characteristic polynomial  $r^2 - 6r + 13 = 0$  has roots  $3 \pm 2i$

$$\Rightarrow y = e^{3t}(C_1 \sin(2t) + C_2 \cos(2t))$$

$$y(\pi/2) = e^{3\pi/2}(-C_2) = 0 \Rightarrow C_2 = 0$$

$$y'(\pi/2) = -e^{3\pi/2}2C_1 = 2 \Rightarrow C_1 = -e^{3\pi/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = -e^{3\pi/2} \sin(2t)$$

3. (Optional) Pick one of the problems above and determine the envelope and (pseudo-) frequency of the oscillation, if appropriate.
4. In class we saw that certain kinds of second-order ODEs with non-constant coefficients can be reduced to the constant coefficient case with a suitable transformation. For the Cauchy-Euler type equation

$$t^2 y'' + 4ty' + 2y = 0$$

use the substitution  $x = \ln(t)$  to calculate  $dy/dt$ ,  $d^2y/dt^2$  and solve the equation.

The substitution  $x = \ln(t)$  implies

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{dy}{dx} \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{1}{t} \frac{dy}{dx}, \quad \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} = \frac{-1}{t^2} \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{1}{t^2} \frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$$

Substituting into the equation then yields the constant coefficient equation

$$y'' + 3y' + 2y = 0$$

with characteristic polynomial  $r^2 + 3r + 2 = 0$  with roots  $r = -2, -1$ . Hence

$$y = Ae^{-2x} + Be^{-x} = Ae^{-2\ln(t)} + Be^{-\ln(t)} = \frac{A}{t^2} + \frac{B}{t}.$$