

# LECTURE 9

Problem session  $\rightarrow$  tonight, 6pm  
MATX 1102

Practice midterm available on website.

From last time - want to prove nonzero  
Wronskian guarantees linear independence.

Take  $y_1(t), y_2(t)$  (differentiable on some  
interval).

If they're linearly dependent then we  
can find constants  $\alpha, \beta \neq 0$  such that:

$$\alpha y_1(t) + \beta y_2(t) = 0.$$

Take der  $\rightarrow \alpha y_1'(t) + \beta y_2'(t) = 0$

Matrix form: 
$$\begin{pmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \\ y_1' & y_2' \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
  
 $M$  (matrix).

$$\det(M) = W[y_1, y_2](t).$$

• If  $W \neq 0$  ( $\det(M) \neq 0$ ),  $M$  is invertible.

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix} = M^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \alpha = 0, \beta = 0$$

so if  $W \neq 0$ , linearly indep.  
 $y_1(t) \text{ ; } y_2(t)$ .

- If  $W=0$  ( $\det(M)=0$ ),  $M$  is not invertible, CAN find  $\alpha, \beta \neq 0$  that satisfies matrix eq.  
 $\Rightarrow y_1, y_2$  lin. dep.

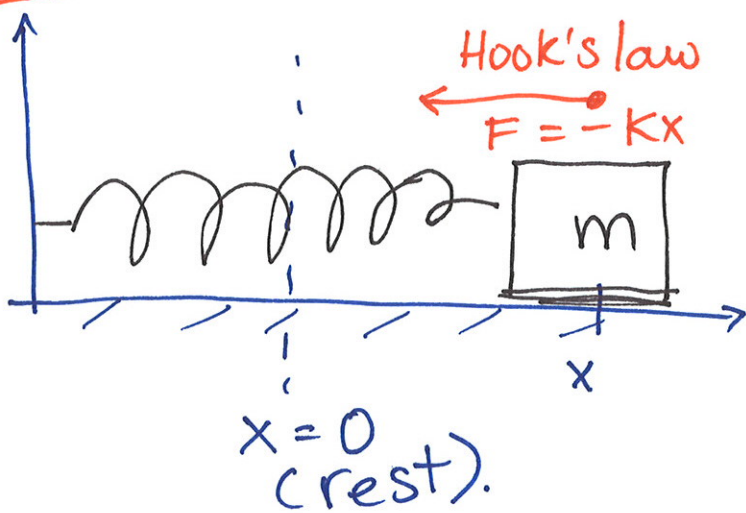
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## Second order ODEs w/ CONSTANT coefficients

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Motivation:

friction  $F = -bv$



Force balance

$$F = -kx - bv.$$

$$ma = -kx - bv$$

$$m \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = -kx - b \frac{dx}{dt}.$$

$$\begin{cases} m \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + b \frac{dx}{dt} + kx = 0 \\ x(0) = \text{initial position} \\ x'(0) = \text{initial velocity} \end{cases}$$

2nd order linear DEs w/ constant  
coefs used to model oscillator...  
model

- pendulums
- bridge suspension
- tall blds
- circuits (LCR)
- etc.

Keep this in mind...

General case  $ay'' + by' + cy = 0$ .

Pose sub  $y = e^{rt}$ , plug in  
( $y' = re^{rt}$ ,  $y'' = r^2 e^{rt}$ )

$$\Rightarrow ar^2 e^{rt} + bre^{rt} + ce^{rt} = 0$$

$$e^{rt} \neq 0, \div e^{rt} :$$

$$\boxed{ar^2 + br + c = 0}$$

CHARACTERISTIC EQ.

Char. eq. has roots:

$$r_{1,2} = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$r_1 \rightarrow +ve$  root  
 $r_2 \rightarrow -ve$  root.



sign of discriminant  $b^2 - 4ac$  affect solution.

Case I:  $b^2 - 4ac < 0$  (3.5 in text).

roots are distinct but complex.

$$r_{1,2} = \frac{-b}{2a} \pm \frac{\sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \frac{-b}{2a} \pm \frac{\sqrt{-|b^2 - 4ac|}}{2a}.$$

$$= \frac{-b}{2a} \pm i \frac{\sqrt{|b^2 - 4ac|}}{2a} \quad (\sqrt{-1} = i).$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{2cm}}_{\alpha, \text{ real part}} \quad \underbrace{\hspace{2cm}}_{\beta, \text{ imag. part.}}$

$$r_{1,2} = \alpha \pm i\beta.$$

What do we get? What does the general sol<sup>n</sup> look like?

$$y(t) = d_1 e^{r_1 t} + d_2 e^{r_2 t} \\ = d_1 e^{(\alpha + i\beta)t} + d_2 e^{(\alpha - i\beta)t}.$$

We'd like a real-valued solution...

De Moivre's Thm

$$e^{i\varphi} = \cos\varphi + i\sin\varphi.$$

or

$$\sin \varphi = \frac{e^{i\varphi} - e^{-i\varphi}}{2i},$$

$$\cos \varphi = \frac{e^{i\varphi} + e^{-i\varphi}}{2}.$$

Aside:

$$e^{i\varphi} = \cos \varphi + i \sin \varphi \quad (1)$$

$$e^{-i\varphi} = \cos \varphi - i \sin \varphi \quad (2)$$

$$(1) + (2) \Rightarrow e^{i\varphi} + e^{-i\varphi} = 2 \cos \varphi$$
$$\cos \varphi = \frac{e^{i\varphi} + e^{-i\varphi}}{2}.$$

$$(1) - (2) \Rightarrow \sin \varphi = \dots$$

$$y(t) = d_1 e^{\alpha t} e^{i\beta t} + d_2 e^{\alpha t} e^{-i\beta t}$$

use de Moivre's (or other), re-arrange and obtain.

$$y(t) = c_1 e^{\alpha t} \cos(\beta t) + c_2 e^{\alpha t} \sin(\beta t)$$

is the general solution.

real part  
of root

imag. part  
of root.

How can I be sure that

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

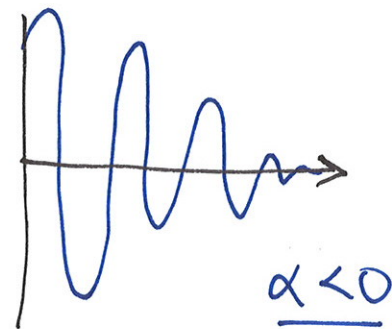
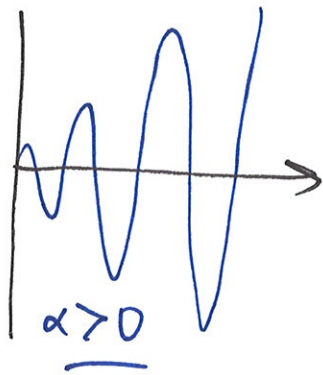
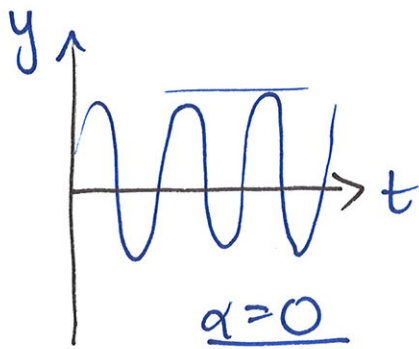
$$y_2(t) = e^{\alpha t} \sin \beta t$$

are the 2 linearly independent solutions?

⇒ check Wronskian.

Behaviour of Solutions:

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



Recall  $\alpha = \frac{-b}{2a} = \frac{-b}{2m}$  ( $m > 0$ ) } For mass-spring.

undamped  $\alpha = 0 \rightsquigarrow$  no damping. ( $b = 0$ )

damped  $\alpha < 0 \rightsquigarrow b > 0$ , coeff. of damping  $> 0$   
damped oscillations.

$\alpha > 0 \rightsquigarrow$  doesn't make sense physically.



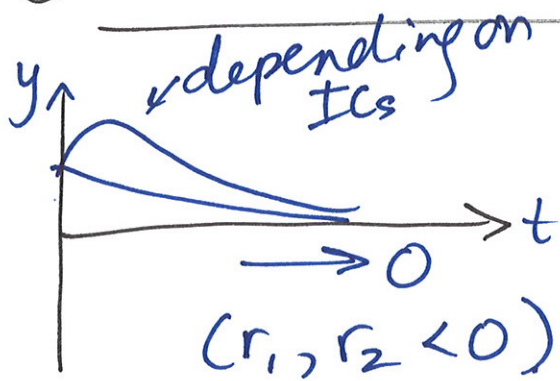
Case II  $b^2 - 4ac > 0$ .

roots  $r_{1,2} = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$

~~are~~ distinct and real (last week)

gen. solution is  
 $y(t) = C_1 e^{r_1 t} + C_2 e^{r_2 t}$ .

Behaviour of solutions



relevant for mass-spring case, ~~if~~ damping coef  $> 0$ .

**OVERDAMPED.**

(damping  $b^2 > 4mk$  in case of mass-spring system)

