

18.034, Honors Differential Equations
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I talked with one student, and I believe the methodical approach of the last 2 lectures has helped students catch-up. Unfortunately it has left us behind schedule. We've already done most of §3.7, but there is a bit more to go. And inhomog. systems of the form $p(D)[y] = e^{at} \cos \beta t \cdot h(t)$, h a poly., will be easy with our setup. But we probably won't get to §3.8. And §4.1, §4.3 might need to be done in Wed. rec.

1. Examples of homog. const. coeff. linear systems w/ complex roots/ eigenvalues, no repeated roots.

$$(D^2 + \omega^2)y = 0 \rightsquigarrow y = C_1 \cos(\omega t) + C_2 \sin(\omega t) = A \cos(\omega t).$$

$$(D^3 - 1)y = 0 \rightsquigarrow y = C_1 e^t + C_2 e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t\right) + C_3 e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t\right)$$

$$(D^n - 1)y = 0 \quad ?$$

2. Repeated roots

$$(D^4 + 2\omega^2 D^2 + \omega^4)y = 0 \rightsquigarrow y = C_1 \cos(\omega t) + C_2 \sin(\omega t) + C_3 t \cos(\omega t) + C_4 t \sin(\omega t).$$

3. Solving IVP's.

$$\begin{cases} (D^2 + \omega^2)y = 0 \\ y(t_0) = y_0 \\ y'(t_0) = v_0 \end{cases} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{What is the amplitude } A \text{ of} \\ y(t) = A \cos(\omega t - \Phi)? \\ \text{What is } \tan(\Phi)? \end{array}$$

4. Phase $p \propto$ traits for overdamped, underdamped, crit. damped SHO? (probably not crash time)