


 $y'' + 4y = \cos(at), y(0) = 1/2, y'(0) = 0$


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$$\{y''(t) + 4y(t) = \cos(at), y(0) = \frac{1}{2}, y'(0) = 0\}$$

ODE classification:

second-order linear ordinary differential equation

Alternate forms:

$$\{y''(t) = \cos(at) - 4y(t), y(0) = \frac{1}{2}, y'(0) = 0\}$$

$$\{\cos(at) = y''(t) + 4y(t), 2y(0) = 1, y'(0) = 0\}$$

$$\{y''(t) + 4y(t) = \frac{1}{2}e^{-iat} + \frac{1}{2}e^{iat}, y(0) = \frac{1}{2}, y'(0) = 0\}$$

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$$y(t) = \frac{(a^2 - 2) \cos(2t) - 2 \cos(at)}{2(a^2 - 4)}$$

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STEP 1

Solve $\frac{d^2 y(t)}{dt^2} + 4y(t) = \cos(at)$, such that $y(0) = \frac{1}{2}$ and $y'(0) = 0$:

STEP 2

The general solution will be the sum of the complementary solution and particular solution.

Find the complementary solution by solving $\frac{d^2 y(t)}{dt^2} + 4 y(t) = 0$:

STEP 3

Assume a solution will be proportional to $e^{\lambda t}$ for some constant λ .

Substitute $y(t) = e^{\lambda t}$ into the differential equation:

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2}(e^{\lambda t}) + 4 e^{\lambda t} = 0$$

STEP 4

Substitute $\frac{d^2}{dt^2}(e^{\lambda t}) = \lambda^2 e^{\lambda t}$:

$$\lambda^2 e^{\lambda t} + 4 e^{\lambda t} = 0$$

STEP 5

Factor out $e^{\lambda t}$:

$$(\lambda^2 + 4) e^{\lambda t} = 0$$

STEP 6

Since $e^{\lambda t} \neq 0$ for any finite λ , the zeros must come from the polynomial:

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Solve for λ :

$$\lambda = 2i \text{ or } \lambda = -2i$$

STEP 8

The roots $\lambda = \pm 2i$ give $y_1(t) = c_1 e^{2it}$, $y_2(t) = c_2 e^{-2it}$ as solutions, where c_1 and c_2 are arbitrary constants.

The general solution is the sum of the above solutions:

$$y(t) = y_1(t) + y_2(t) = c_1 e^{2it} + c_2 e^{-2it}$$

STEP 9

Apply Euler's identity $e^{\alpha+i\beta} = e^{\alpha} \cos(\beta) + i e^{\alpha} \sin(\beta)$:

$$y(t) = c_1 (\cos(2t) + i \sin(2t)) + c_2 (\cos(2t) - i \sin(2t))$$

STEP 10

Regroup terms:

$$y(t) = (c_1 + c_2) \cos(2t) + i(c_1 - c_2) \sin(2t)$$

STEP 11

Redefine $c_1 + c_2$ as c_1 and $i(c_1 - c_2)$ as c_2 , since these are arbitrary constants:

$$y(t) = c_1 \cos(2t) + c_2 \sin(2t)$$

STEP 12

Determine the particular solution to $\frac{d^2 y(t)}{dt^2} + 4y(t) = \cos(at)$ by the method of undetermined coefficients:

The particular solution to $\frac{d^2 y(t)}{dt^2} + 4y(t) = \cos(at)$ is of the form:

$$y_p(t) = b_1 \cos(at) + b_2 \sin(at)$$

STEP 13

Solve for the unknown constants b_1 and b_2 :

Compute $\frac{d^2 y_p(t)}{dt^2}$:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2 y_p(t)}{dt^2} &= \frac{d^2}{dt^2} (b_1 \cos(at) + b_2 \sin(at)) \\ &= -a^2 \cos(at) b_1 - a^2 \sin(at) b_2 \end{aligned}$$

STEP 14

Substitute the particular solution $y_p(t)$ into the differential equation:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2 y_p(t)}{dt^2} + 4y_p(t) &= \cos(at) \\ -a^2 b_1 \cos(at) - a^2 b_2 \sin(at) + 4(b_1 \cos(at) + b_2 \sin(at)) &= \cos(at) \end{aligned}$$

STEP 15

Simplify:

$$(4b_1 - a^2 b_1) \cos(at) + (4b_2 - a^2 b_2) \sin(at) = \cos(at)$$

STEP 16

Equate the coefficients of $\cos(at)$ on both sides of the equation:

$$4b_1 - a^2 b_1 = 1$$

STEP 17

Equate the coefficients of $\sin(at)$ on both sides of the equation:

$$4b_2 - a^2 b_2 = 0$$

STEP 18

Solve the system:

$$b_1 = \frac{1}{-a^2 + 4}$$

$$b_2 = 0$$

STEP 19

Substitute b_1 and b_2 into $y_p(t) = \cos(at) b_1 + \sin(at) b_2$:

$$y_p(t) = \frac{\cos(at)}{-a^2 + 4}$$

STEP 20

The general solution is:

$$y(t) = y_c(t) + y_p(t) = \frac{\cos(at)}{-a^2 + 4} + c_1 \cos(2t) + c_2 \sin(2t)$$

STEP 21

Solve for the unknown constants using the initial conditions:

Compute $\frac{dy(t)}{dt}$:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy(t)}{dt} &= \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\cos(at)}{-a^2 + 4} + c_1 \cos(2t) + c_2 \sin(2t) \right) \\ &= -\frac{a \sin(at)}{-a^2 + 4} - 2c_1 \sin(2t) + 2c_2 \cos(2t) \end{aligned}$$

STEP 22

Substitute $y(0) = \frac{1}{2}$ into $y(t) = \frac{\cos(at)}{-a^2 + 4} + \cos(2t) c_1 + \sin(2t) c_2$:

$$\frac{1}{-a^2 + 4} + c_1 = \frac{1}{2}$$

STEP 23

Substitute $y'(0) = 0$ into $\frac{dy(t)}{dt} = -\frac{a \sin(at)}{-a^2 + 4} - 2 \sin(2t) c_1 + 2 \cos(2t) c_2$:

$$2 c_2 = 0$$

STEP 24

Solve the system:

$$c_1 = \frac{a^2 - 2}{2(a^2 - 4)}$$

$$c_2 = 0$$

STEP 25

Substitute $c_1 = \frac{a^2 - 2}{2(a^2 - 4)}$ and $c_2 = 0$ into $y(t) = \frac{\cos(at)}{-a^2 + 4} + \cos(2t) c_1 + \sin(2t) c_2$:

Answer:

$$y(t) = \frac{-2 \cos(at) + (a^2 - 2) \cos(2t)}{2(a^2 - 4)}$$



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