

① The characteristic equation is

$$\lambda^2 + 4\lambda + 5 = 0, \text{ whose roots are}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 4(1)(5)}}{2} = -2 \pm \frac{\sqrt{-4}}{2} = -2 \pm i.$$

The general solution can therefore be written as

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

②  $e^{(2+i)t} = e^{-2t} (\cos t + i \sin t)$   
 $- [e^{(-2-i)t} = e^{-2t} (\cos t - i \sin t)]$

$$e^{(2+i)t} - e^{(-2-i)t} = e^{-2t} (2i \sin t)$$

$$\text{so } \frac{e^{(2+i)t} - e^{(-2-i)t}}{2i} = e^{-2t} \sin t$$

③ The characteristic equation is  $\lambda^2 + 4 = 0$ , with roots  $\pm 2i$ , so the <sup>general</sup> solution to the homogeneous equation is:

$$y_h(t) = C_1 \cos 2t + C_2 \sin 2t.$$

Since the forcing term is also a solution to the corresponding homogeneous equation, we assume a solution of the form

$$y_p(t) = At \cos 2t + Bt \sin 2t.$$

Plugging in:

$$y_p'(t) = A \cos 2t - 2At \sin 2t + B \sin 2t + 2Bt \cos 2t$$

$$y_p''(t) = -2A \sin 2t - 2A \sin 2t - 4At \cos 2t + 2B \cos 2t + 2B \cos 2t - 4Bt \sin 2t$$

$$= -4A \sin 2t + 4B \cos 2t - 4At \cos 2t - 4Bt \sin 2t$$

so  $y_p'' + 4y_p = -4A \sin 2t + 4B \cos 2t = \sin 2t.$

This gives  $-4A = 1 \Rightarrow A = -\frac{1}{4}$ , and  $4B = 0 \Rightarrow B = 0$ ,

$$\text{so } y_p(t) = -\frac{1}{4} t \cos 2t$$

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The general solution is thus:

$$y(t) = C_1 \cos 2t + C_2 \sin 2t - \frac{1}{4} t \cos 2t.$$

Plugging into the initial conditions:

$$y(0) = C_1 = 0$$

$$y'(t) = -2C_1 \sin 2t + 2C_2 \cos 2t - \frac{1}{4} \cos(2t) + \frac{1}{2} t \sin 2t$$

$$y'(0) = 2C_2 - \frac{1}{4} = 0 \Rightarrow C_2 = \frac{1}{8}.$$

This gives: 
$$y(t) = \frac{1}{8} \sin 2t - \frac{1}{4} t \cos 2t$$