

Problem 5. For what value of the constant c the differential equation $y'' + cy' + 10y = 0$ is underdamped, critically damped, or overdamped.

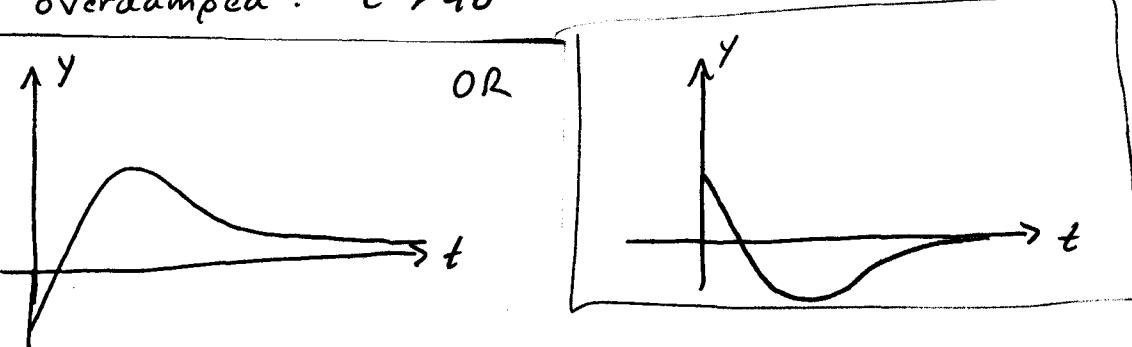
- Sketch a typical solution in the critically damped case.
- Pick c such the system is underdamped. Find a general solution.
- Rewrite the function $\cos(2x) + \sqrt{3} \sin(2x)$ in the form $A \cos(\omega x - b)$.
- Write the general solution un the underdamped case in the form $Ae^{rt} \cos(\omega t - b)$ for suitable A, b, ω, b .

$$\bullet \quad r^2 + cr + 10 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad r = \frac{-c \pm \sqrt{c^2 - 40}}{2}$$

underdamped: $c^2 < 40$

critically damped: $c^2 = 40$

overdamped: $c^2 > 40$



- Let $c=2$. Then $r = -1 \pm 3i$

$$y = e^{-x} (c_1 \cos 3x + c_2 \sin 3x)$$

$$\bullet \quad 1^2 + (\sqrt{3})^2 = c^2 \Rightarrow c = 2$$

$$\text{Find } \theta \text{ s.t. } \cos \theta = \frac{1}{2} \text{ and } \sin \theta = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}. \quad \theta = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } \cos(2x) + \sqrt{3} \sin(2x) &= 2 \left[\frac{1}{2} \cos(2x) + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \sin(2x) \right] \\ &= 2 \cos\left(2x - \frac{\pi}{3}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\bullet \quad \text{Put } A = \sqrt{c_1^2 + c_2^2}$$

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$$\text{Then } y = Ae^{-x} \cos(3x - b)$$