

so

$$y = e^{at} (A \cos(bt) - B \sin(bt) + A \cos bt - B \sin bt)$$

$$= 2A e^{at} \cos(bt) - 2B e^{at} \sin(bt)$$

In other words  $y \in \text{span} \{ e^{at} \cos bt, e^{at} \sin bt \}$

Since both  $e^{at} \cos bt$  and  $e^{at} \sin bt$  are in the solution space [take  $A=C=\frac{1}{2}, B=D=0$  or  $A=C=0, B=-\frac{1}{2}, D=\frac{1}{2}$ ]

we see that the solution space in  $C^\infty(\mathbb{R})$  is  $\text{span} \{ e^{at} \cos(bt), e^{at} \sin(bt) \}$ .

(b)

We know  $y = A e^{-t} \cos 3t + B e^{-t} \sin(3t)$ , and

that  $y(0) = 0 \Rightarrow A = 0$

and  $y'(0) = v \Rightarrow 3B = v$

so  $y(t) = \frac{v}{3} e^{-t} \sin(3t)$ .

As  $t \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $y(t) \rightarrow 0$  i.e. the amplitude of the oscillation decreases to zero with time.