

Solving polynomial equations:

a^4

Example: $r^3 + r^2 + 3r + 10 = 0$

$y''' + y'' + 3y' + 10y = 0$

Plug in $r = \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 5, \pm 10$ to see if any of these are solns:

$$(\pm 1)^3 + (\pm 1)^2 + 3(\pm 1) + 10 \neq 0$$

$$(\pm 2)^3 + (\pm 2)^2 + 3(\pm 2) + 10 \neq 0$$

$$(-2)^3 + (-2)^2 + 3(-2) + 10 = -8 + 4 - 6 + 10 = 0$$

Thus $(r - (-2))$ is a factor of $r^3 + r^2 + 3r + 10$

Hence $r^3 + r^2 + 3r + 10 = (r + 2)(r^2 - r + 5)$

To find the coefficient of r in the above, you can do so by
 (1) long division, (2) inspection, (3) using variable x

$$r^3 + r^2 + 3r + 10 = (r + 2)(r^2 + \underline{x}r + 5)$$

$$(r + 2)(r^2 + \underline{x}r + 5) = r^3 + (2 + x)r^2 + (2x + 5)r + 10$$

$$r^3 + \underline{1}r^2 + \underline{3r} + 10$$

Thus $2 + x = 1$ and hence $x = -1$

$$\text{Check: } 2x + 5 = 2(-1) + 5 = 3$$

$$\text{Hence } r^3 + r^2 + 3r + 10 = (r + 2)(r^2 - r + 5) = 0$$

quadratic formula

$$\text{Thus } r = -2, \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1-20}}{2}.$$

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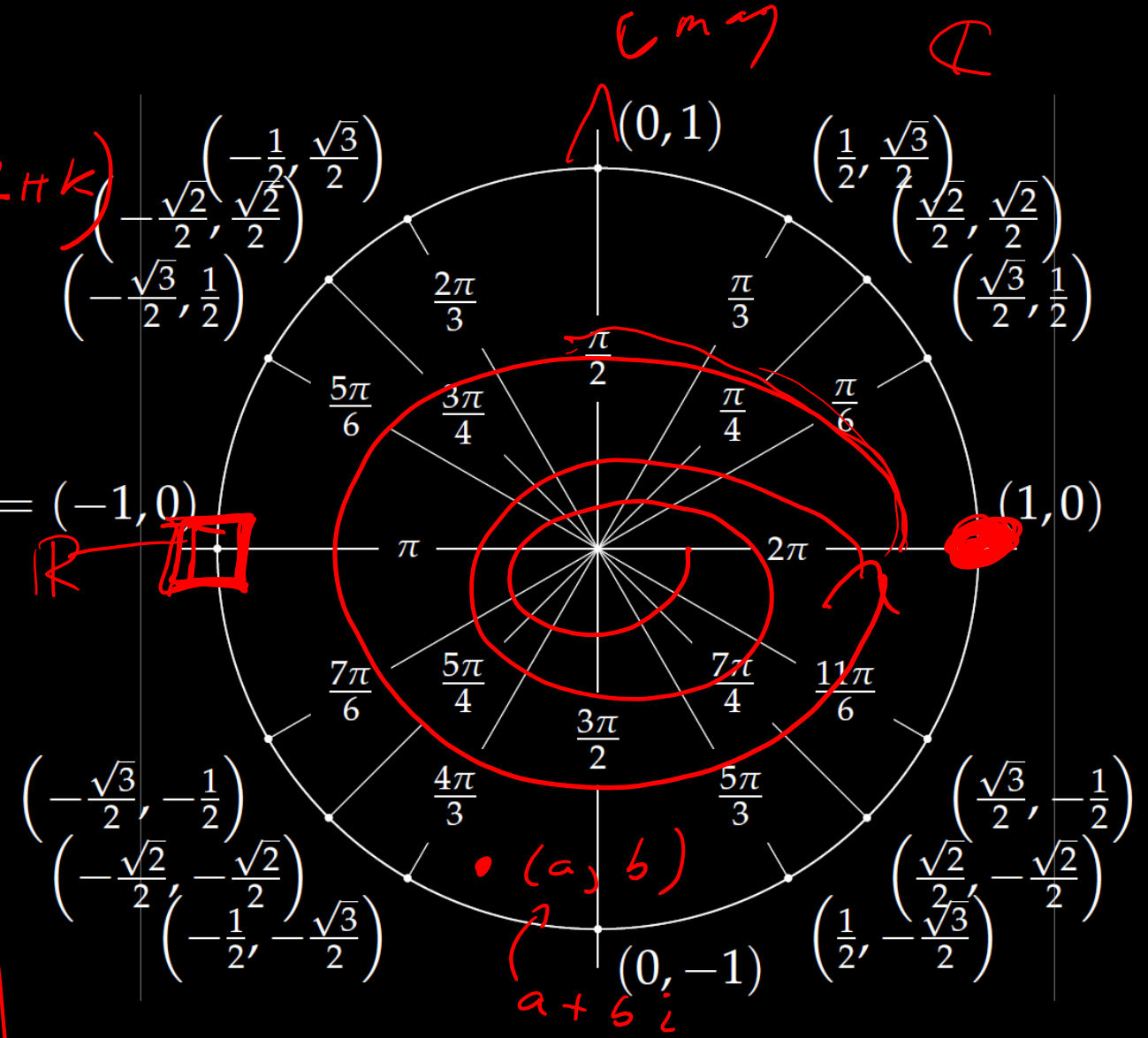
In special cases, you can use the unit circle.

$r^n = 1 = e^{i0} = e^{i(0+2\pi k)}$ zero

$r^n = -1 = e^{i\pi} = e^{i(\pi+2\pi k)}$ nth root of unity

$\sin(0) = \frac{\sqrt{0}}{2} = 0$
 $\sin(\frac{\pi}{6}) = \frac{\sqrt{1}}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$
 $\sin(\frac{\pi}{4}) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$
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 $\sin(\frac{\pi}{2}) = \frac{\sqrt{4}}{2} = 1$

$\cos(0) = 1$
 $\cos(\frac{\pi}{6}) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$
 $\cos(\frac{\pi}{4}) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$
 $\cos(\frac{\pi}{3}) = \frac{1}{2}$
 $\cos(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 0$



$(\cos \theta, \sin \theta)$

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4th degree poly
⇒ 4 roots

Ex: $r^4 + 1 = 0$ implies

$\Rightarrow r^4 = -1$ $y'''' + y = 0$

$$r = (-1)^{\frac{1}{4}} = (-1 + 0i)^{\frac{1}{4}} = (e^{i\pi})^{\frac{1}{4}} = (e^{i(\pi + 2\pi k)})^{\frac{1}{4}}$$

$$k = 0: e^{\frac{i\pi}{4}} = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) + i\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + i\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$k = 1: e^{\frac{3i\pi}{4}} = \cos\left(\frac{3\pi}{4}\right) + i\sin\left(\frac{3\pi}{4}\right) = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + i\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$k = 2: e^{\frac{5i\pi}{4}} = \cos\left(\frac{5\pi}{4}\right) + i\sin\left(\frac{5\pi}{4}\right) = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} - i\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$k = 3: e^{\frac{7i\pi}{4}} = \cos\left(\frac{7\pi}{4}\right) + i\sin\left(\frac{7\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} - i\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

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$$k = 0: r_1 = e^{\frac{i\pi}{4}} = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) + i\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + i\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} = r_1$$

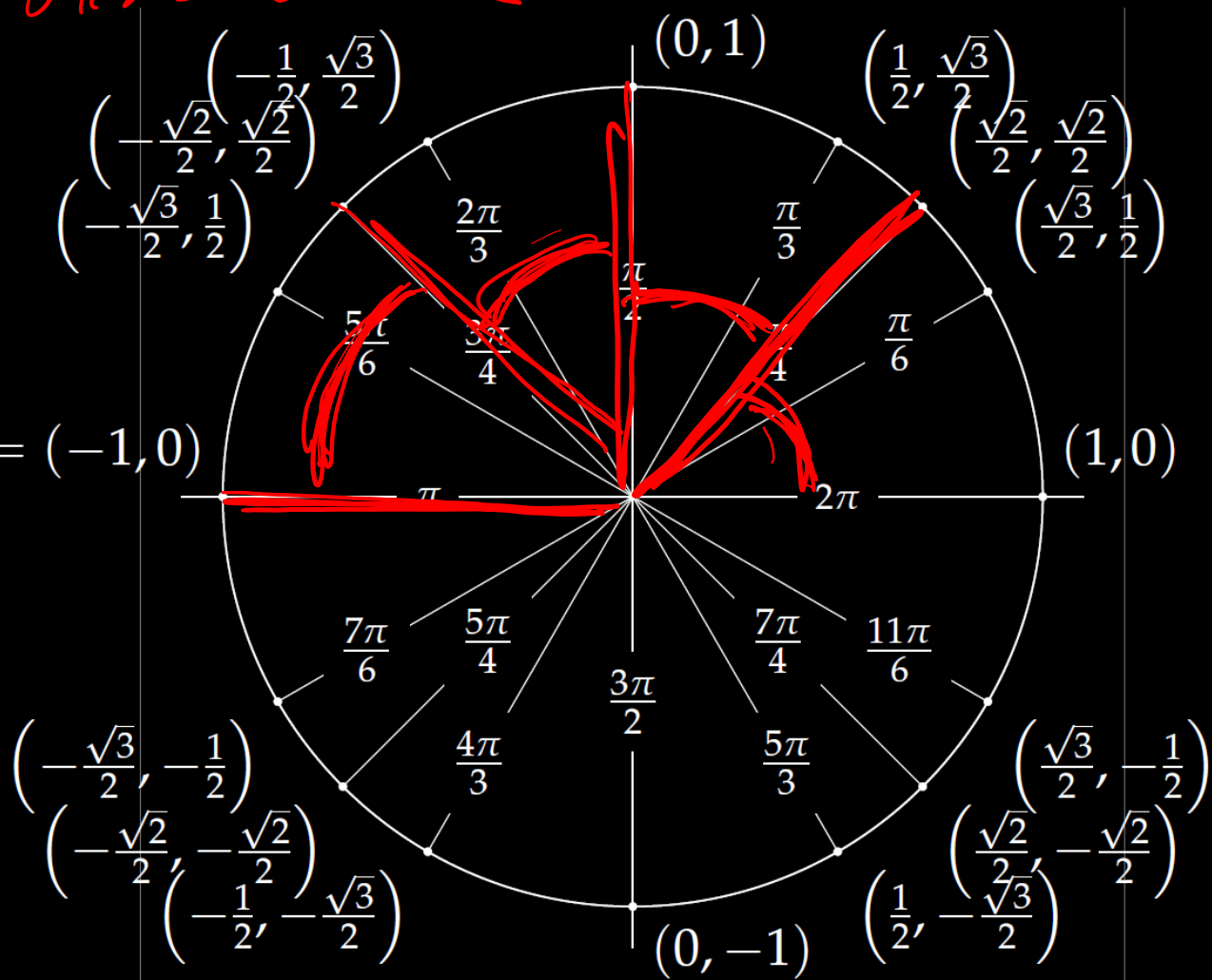
Euler's formula

$$e^{\frac{i(\pi+2\pi k)}{4}}$$

$$k = 0$$

$$e^{\frac{i\pi}{4}} = r_1$$

↑ one of our 4 roots



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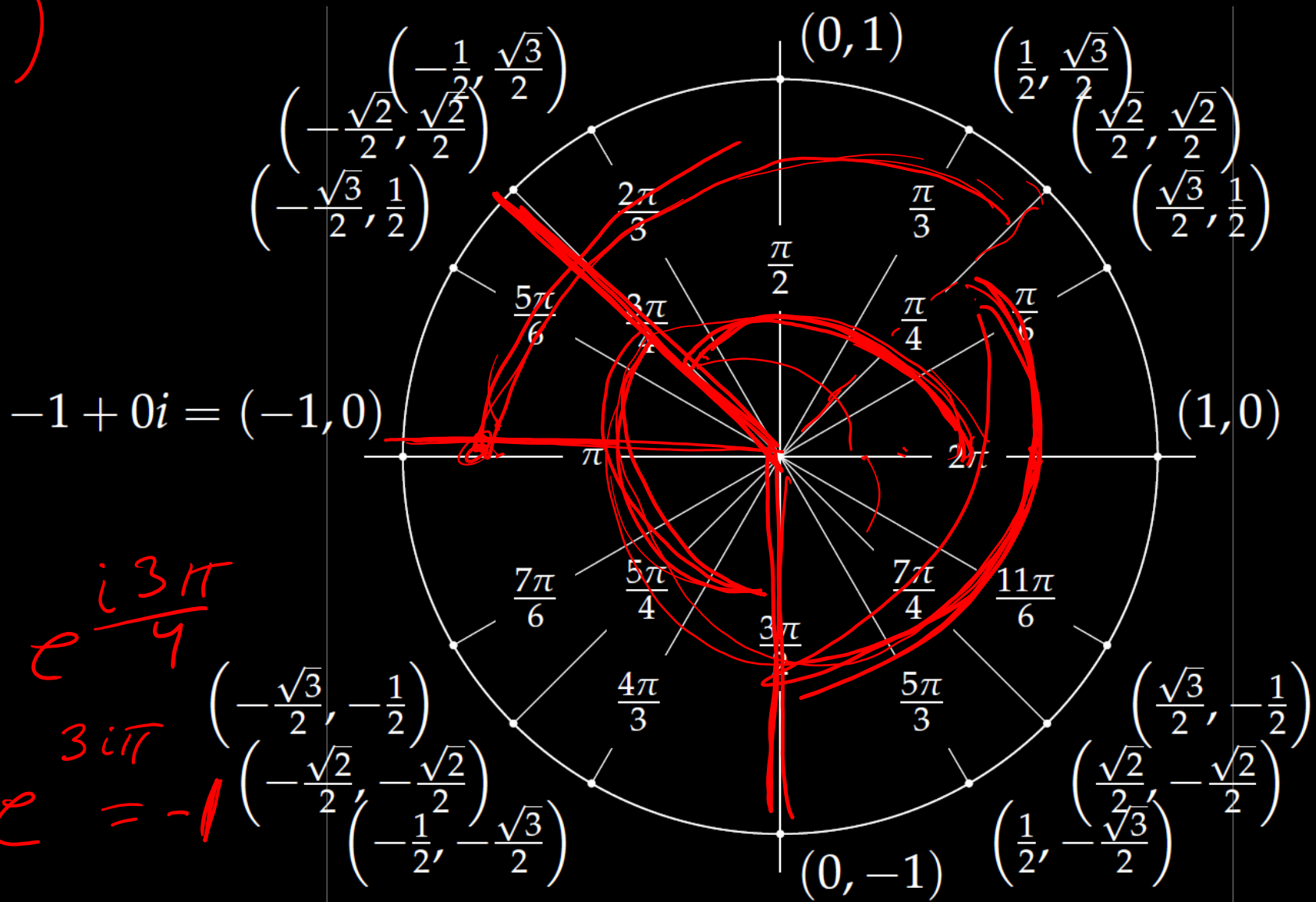
$$e^{\frac{i(\pi + 2\pi k)}{4}}$$

$$k = 1$$

$$e^{\frac{i(\pi + 2\pi)}{4}}$$

$$= e^{\frac{i3\pi}{4}}$$

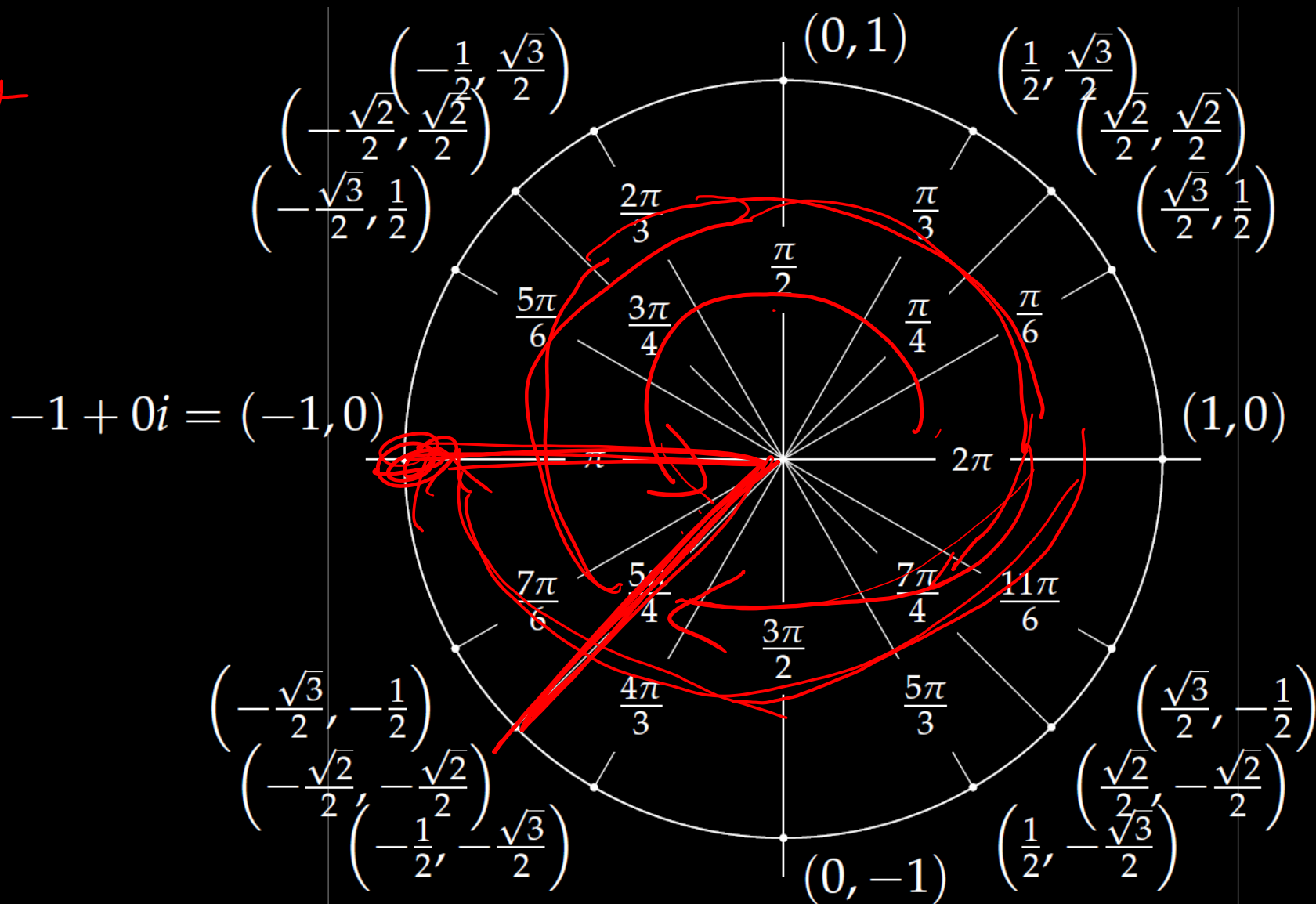
$$\left(e^{\frac{i3\pi}{4}}\right)^4 = e^{3i\pi} = -1$$



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 $e^{-\frac{3i\pi}{4}}$



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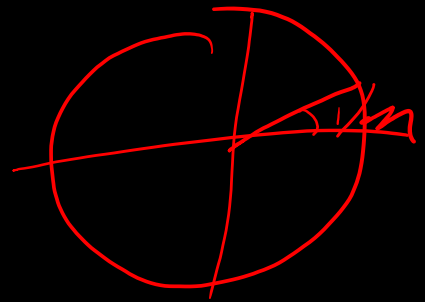
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Example: Solve $y^{(iv)} + y = 0$

$r^{2n} = -1$

$y = e^{rt}$ implies $r^4 + 1 = 0$ and thus

$r = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \pm i\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$ and $r = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \pm i\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$



Thus general homogeneous solution is

$y = c_1 e^{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}t} \cos(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}t) + c_2 e^{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}t} \sin(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}t)$

$+ c_3 e^{-\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}t} \cos(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}t) + c_4 e^{-\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}t} \sin(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}t)$

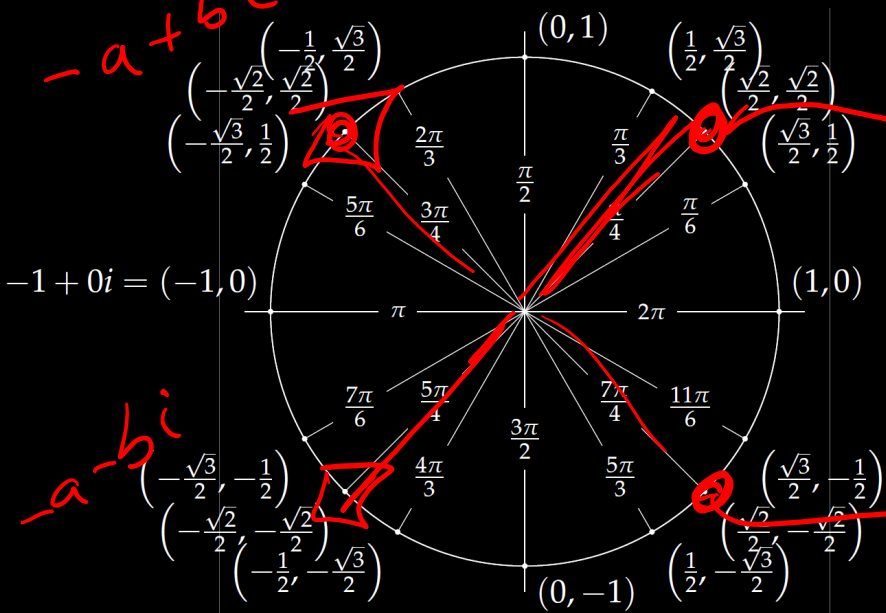
$-a+bi$

$-a-bi$

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Complex conjugates



Example: Solve $y''' - 8y = 0$, $y(0) = 0$, $y'(0) = 0$, $y''(0) = 0$.

$$r^3 - 8 = 0 \Rightarrow (r-2)(r^2 + \dots + 4)$$
$$\Rightarrow r^3 = 8 \Rightarrow r = \sqrt[3]{8} = 2 = 2(1)^{1/3}$$

$$\Rightarrow (r = 2, a+bi, a-bi)$$

3 roots

need

3 roots

3 roots of unity for $(1)^{1/3}$

then multiply by 2 $\Rightarrow r = 2(1)^{1/3}$

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$r = 2(1)^{1/3} \leftarrow$ 2 times root of unity

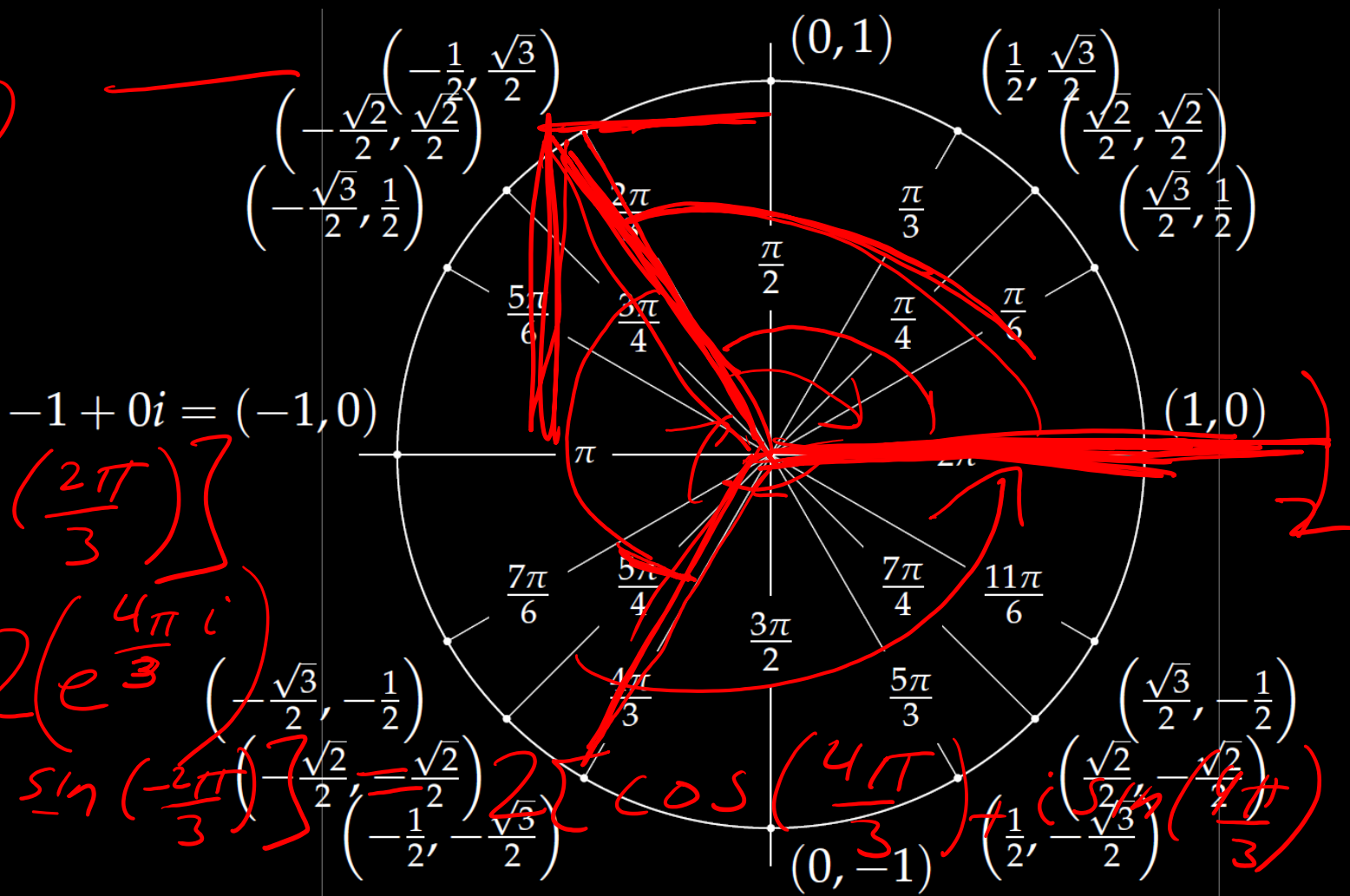
$r_1 = 2, \text{ --- }$

$r_2 = 2 \left(e^{\frac{2\pi i}{3}} \right)$

$= 2 \left[\cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) \right]$

$r_3 = 2 \left(e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{3}} \right) = 2 \left(e^{\frac{4\pi i}{3}} \right)$

$= 2 \left[\cos\left(-\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) + i \sin\left(-\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) \right]$



$$r = 2(1)^{1/3} = 2(e^{i0})^{1/3}$$
$$= 2e^{(i \frac{(0+2\pi k)}{3})}$$

$$k = 0 \Rightarrow r_1 = 2e^0 = 2$$

$$k = 1 \Rightarrow r_2 = 2e^{\frac{2\pi i}{3}} = 2 \left[\cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) \right]$$

$$k = 2 \Rightarrow r_2 = 2e^{\frac{4\pi i}{3}} = 2 \left[\cos\frac{4\pi}{3} + i \sin\left(\frac{4\pi}{3}\right) \right]$$

\uparrow or $k = -1$

$$r_1 = 2 \Rightarrow y = e^{2t}$$

$$r_2 = 2 \left[\cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) \right]$$

$$= \cancel{2} \left(-\frac{1}{\cancel{2}} + i \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{\cancel{2}} \right) \right)$$

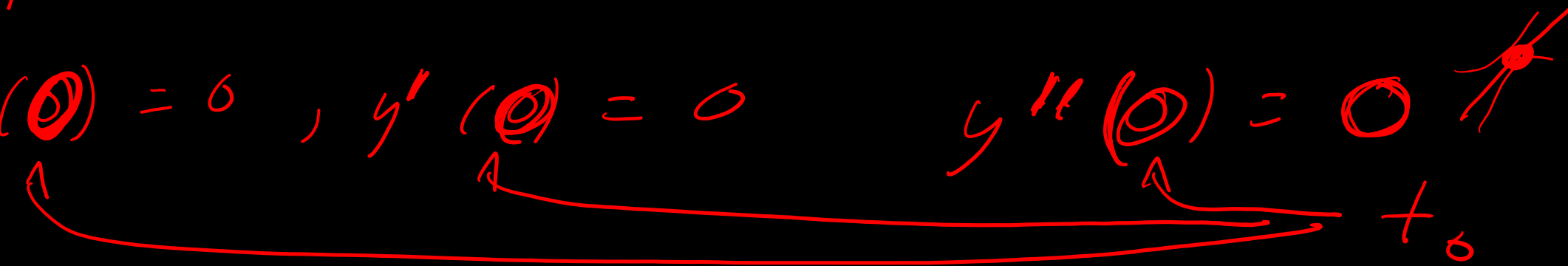
$$r_3 = \cancel{2} \left[-\frac{1}{\cancel{2}} - i \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{\cancel{2}} \right) \right]$$

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$$-1 \pm i\sqrt{3}$$

IVP

$$y(t_0) = 0, \quad y'(t_0) = 0, \quad y''(t_0) = 0$$


plug in to find c_1, c_2, c_3

3rd order linear DE \Rightarrow 3 unknowns

so we need 3 initial values

$$\underbrace{y(t_0) = y_0}_{\text{point}}, \quad \underbrace{y'(t_0) = y_1}_{\text{slope}}, \quad \underbrace{y''(t_0) = y_2}_{\text{concavity}}$$

Left to viewer

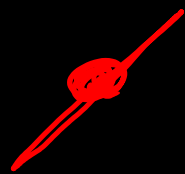
$$y'' + \underbrace{p(t)} y' + \underbrace{q(t)} y = \underbrace{g(t)}$$

$$\frac{a}{a} y'' + \boxed{\frac{b}{a}} y' + \boxed{\frac{c}{a}} y = \frac{g(t)}{a} \quad \text{to } \subseteq (a, b)$$

cont'n (a, b)

If \underbrace{p} , \underbrace{q} , \underbrace{g} are
 \Rightarrow IVP $y(t_0) = y_0$ and $y'(t_0) = y_1$

has unique soln



g cont on (a, b) st $t_0 \in (a, b)$

g cont at t_0 is NOT suffia
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Not

IVP

$$y(t_0) = y_0, y(t_1) = y_1 \quad (F)$$

$$y(t_0) = y_0, y'(t_1) = y_1 \quad (F)$$