

$$y'' + 2y' + 3y = 0$$

or pose $y = e^{ax}$

or adnc $a^2 e^{ax} + 2a e^{ax} + 3e^{ax} = 0$

$$\Leftrightarrow a^2 + 2a + 3 = 0$$

$$\Delta = 4 - 12 = -8$$

hence $a = \frac{-2 + i\sqrt{8}}{2}$ or $a = \frac{-2 - i\sqrt{8}}{2}$
 $= -1 + i\sqrt{2}$ or $= -1 - i\sqrt{2}$

hence $y = \alpha e^{(-1+i\sqrt{2})x} + \beta e^{(-1-i\sqrt{2})x}$
 $= e^{-x} (\alpha \cos \sqrt{2}x + \beta \sin \sqrt{2}x)$