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17. $(\alpha t^2 + \beta t + \gamma)^2 x''_{tt} = ax + by, \quad (\alpha t^2 + \beta t + \gamma)^2 y''_{tt} = cx + dy.$

The transformation

$$\tau = \int \frac{dt}{\alpha t^2 + \beta t + \gamma}, \quad u = \frac{x}{\sqrt{|\alpha t^2 + \beta t + \gamma|}}, \quad v = \frac{y}{\sqrt{|\alpha t^2 + \beta t + \gamma|}}$$

leads to a constant coefficient linear system of equations of the form 1.1:

$$\begin{aligned} u''_{\tau\tau} &= (a - \alpha\gamma + \frac{1}{4}\beta^2)u + bv, \\ v''_{\tau\tau} &= cu + (d - \alpha\gamma + \frac{1}{4}\beta^2)v. \end{aligned}$$