

§ 1.1 - 1.5 Intro to Fields

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Fields

DEF | Field

A field F is a set of values with defined operations for addition and multiplication. The operations satisfy the following:

- (i) Closure: for $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$
 $x + y \in F$
 $xy \in F$
- (ii) Commutative
 $x + y = y + x$
 $xy = yx$
- (iii) Associative; $z \in \mathbb{F}$
 $x + y + z = x + (y + z)$
 $(xy)z = x(yz)$
- (iv) Identity element I
 $x + I_+ = I_+ + x = x$ for any element x
 $x \cdot I_x = I_x \cdot x = x$
- (v) Inverse Element
 $x + \bar{x} = I_+$ for every $x \in F$
 $x \cdot \hat{x} = I_x$
- (vi) Distributive Identity: $x, y, z \in F$
 $x(y + z) = xy + xz$

Example 1. Verify that the set of real numbers \mathbb{R} is a field.

- (i) For any two real numbers $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$
 $x + y \in \mathbb{R}, xy \in \mathbb{R}$
- (ii) $x + y = y + x$ is TRUE
 $xy = yx$ is TRUE
- (iii) Associativity
 $(x + y) + z = x + (y + z)$
- (iv) Identity
 $x + 0 = 0 + x = x$ 0 is identity element under I_+
 $x \cdot 1 = 1 \cdot x = x$ $I_x = 1$

(v) Inverse

$$x + (-x) = 0 \quad \text{where } -x \in \mathbb{R} \text{ is the additive inverse}$$

$$x\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = 1 \quad \frac{1}{x} \in \mathbb{R} \text{ is the multiplicative inverse as long as } x \neq 0$$

(vi) Distributive

$$x(y + z) = xy + xz \quad \text{i.e. } 2(3 + 4) = 2(7) = 2 \cdot 3 + 2 \cdot 4 = 14$$

Example 2. Is \mathbb{Z} a field under the usual definitions of $+$ and \cdot ?

No. For any integer $a \in \mathbb{Z}$, it is not possible to find a multiplicative inverse $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $a\hat{a} = 1$.

DEF | Complex Numbers

The set of complex numbers \mathbb{C} is the set of numbers of the form

$$a + bi$$

where a is the real part, bi is the imaginary part, and $i^2 = -1$.

*Note \mathbb{C} is a field under the following operations:

For $z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{C}$:

$$\text{Addition: } z_1 + z_2 = (a_1 + b_1i) + (a_2 + b_2i) = (a_1 + a_2) + (b_1 + b_2)i$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Multiplication: } z_1 z_2 &= (a_1 + b_1i)(a_2 + b_2i) = a_1 a_2 + a_1 b_2 i + a_2 b_1 i + b_1 b_2 i^2 \\ &= (a_1 a_2 - b_1 b_2) + (a_1 b_2 + a_2 b_1)i \end{aligned}$$

Example 3. Perform the operation

$$(a) \quad (3 + 2i) + (1 + i) = (3 + 1) + (2 + 1)i = 4 + 3i$$

$$(b) \quad (3 + 2i)(7 - 5i) = 21 - 15i + 14i + 10 = 31 - i$$

$$(c) \quad (3 + 2i)(3 - 2i) = 9 - 6i + 6i + 4 = 13$$

$$(d) \quad \frac{31-i}{7-5i} \cdot \frac{7-5i}{7-5i} = \frac{(217+155i-7i-5)}{49+25} = \frac{222+148i}{74} = \frac{222}{74} + \frac{148}{74}i = 3 + 2i$$

Visualizing Complex Numbers

Imaginary is on the y axis, real is on the x axis. We represent $3 + 2i$ as a vector \vec{z} on the coordinate plane. Suppose that $z = a + bi$ is any complex number.

$$\Rightarrow \tan\theta = \frac{b}{a}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{z}| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} = \sqrt{z\bar{z}}$$

Notice that $(a + bi)(a - bi) = a^2 + b^2$ and \bar{z} is conjugate

$$\cos\theta = \frac{a}{|\vec{z}|}, \sin\theta = \frac{b}{|\vec{z}|}$$

$$\cos^2\theta = \frac{a^2}{|\vec{z}|^2}, \sin^2\theta = \frac{b^2}{|\vec{z}|^2}$$

1. $1 = \cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta = \frac{a^2}{|\vec{z}|^2} + \frac{b^2}{|\vec{z}|^2}$
 $\Rightarrow a^2 + b^2 = |\vec{z}|^2$
2. $a = |\vec{z}|\cos\theta, b = |\vec{z}|\sin\theta$
 $z = a + bi = |\vec{z}|\cos\theta + |\vec{z}|\sin\theta i$
 $= |\vec{z}|(\cos\theta + \sin\theta i)$

Euler's Identity: $e^{i\theta} = \cos\theta + \sin\theta i$

$$\Rightarrow z = |\vec{z}|e^{i\theta}$$

where $|\vec{z}| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$ and $\tan\theta = \frac{b}{a}$
 $\Rightarrow z = re^{i\theta}$

Translations

DEF | Translations

Define $f(z) = z + z_1$ where $z_1 = a_1 + b_1i$ is given (constant). Then $f(z)$ describes a translation:

$$f(z) = z + z_1$$

$$= (a + bi) + (a_1 + b_1i)$$

$$= (a + a_1) + (b + b_1)i$$

e.g. $a_1 = 2, b_1 = 3$

Add a_1, b_1 to original values of a, b on the graph. In this case, the point/vector representing $z = a + bi$ has shifted **2 units right** and **3 units up**.

In general for $z_1 = a_1 + b_1i$, we have the following cases:

$a_1 > 0$ shift right
 $a_1 = 0$ no horizontal shift
 $a_1 < 0$ shift left

$b_1 > 0$ shift up
 $b_1 = 0$ no vertical shift

$b_1 < 0$ shift down

Let $f_1(z) = z + z_1$ & $f_2(z) = z + z_2, z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{C}$ given”

$$\begin{aligned} f_1 \circ f_2 &= f_1(f_2(z)) = f_1(z + z_2) = z + z_2 + z_1 \\ &= z + w \end{aligned}$$

where $w = z_2 + z_1$. Also describes a translation and $f_2 \circ f_1 = f_1 \circ f_2$

Scaling & Rotation

DEF | Scaling Define $h(z) = \alpha z$ where $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$

Notice $|h(z)| = |\alpha z| = |\alpha(a + bi)| = |a\alpha + b\alpha i|$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sqrt{(a\alpha)^2 + (b\alpha)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{a^2\alpha^2 + b^2\alpha^2} \\ &= \sqrt{a^2(\alpha^2 + b^2)} \\ &= |\alpha||z| \end{aligned}$$

Hence multiplying $z \in \mathbb{C}$ by a scalar α , scales the magnitude of z .

Cases:

$\alpha > 1$ extends the line straight along its original path (magnitude increases)

e.g. $z = 2.5 + 2i$ and $\alpha = 2$

$$2z = 5 + 4i$$

$0 < \alpha < 1$ shrinks the line straight along its original path (magnitude decreases)

e.g. $z = 2.5 + 2i$ and $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$

$$\frac{1}{2}z = 1.25 + 1i$$

$-1 < \alpha < 0$ reverses direction and shrinks the line (rotation by 180 and shrinking in)

e.g. $z = 2 + 4i$ and $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$

$$-\frac{1}{2}z = -1 - 2i$$

$\alpha < -1$ reverse direction and expands (rotation by 180 and magnitude increases)

e.g. $z = 2.5 + 2i$ and $\alpha = -1$

$$-1z = 2.5 + 2i$$

DEF | Rotations by τ rad.

Recall $z = re^{i\theta}$

To obtain a rotated point/vector,

$$w = re^{i(\theta+\tau)}$$

To scale out by a factor of 2 and rotate by $\frac{\pi}{3}rad$.

$$w = 2re^{i(\pi+\frac{\pi}{3})}$$

Example 4. What is the result of scaling $z = 1 + i$ by $\alpha = 3$ and rotating $\frac{\pi}{2}$ rad?

$$z = re^{i\theta}$$

$$r = \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}(1) = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$z = \sqrt{2}e^{i\frac{\pi}{4}}$$

$$w = 3\sqrt{2}e^{i(\frac{\pi}{4})+\frac{\pi}{2}}$$

$$= 3\sqrt{2}e^{i\frac{3\pi}{4}}$$

$$= 3\sqrt{2}(\cos(\frac{3\pi}{4}) + \sin(\frac{3\pi}{4}))$$

$$= -3 + 3i$$

Note: $\theta = \tan^{-1}(\frac{b}{a})$