

Algebra and Analytic Geometry Lecture

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1 Complex numbers

Def: A complex number is a pair of real numbers.

Example: $(2, 3)$ they are traditionally denoted by $z, u, w \dots$

The set of all complex numbers will be denoted by \mathbb{C} so:

$$\mathbb{C} = \{(x, y) : x, y \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

if $z = (x, y)$ $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}$, then x is called the real part of z and denoted as $\operatorname{Re} z$ and y is the imaginary part.

Geometric interpretation:

A complex number $z=(x, y)$ can be viewed as a point on a Cartesian plane. Such plane will be called the complex plane.

As Vectors on the plane with a initial point at the origin of the plane

2 Operations on complex numbers

1. Addition:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{if } z_1 = (x_1, y_1), z_2 = (x_2, y_2) \in \mathbb{C}, \text{ then their sum is defined to be } z_1 + z_2 = \\ (x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2) \\ (1, 0) + (b, 0) = (a + b, 0) \end{aligned}$$

2. Multiplication:

if $z_1 = (x_1, y_1), z_2 = (x_2, y_2)$ then their product is defined to be the number

$$z_1 z_2 = (x_1 x_2 - y_1 y_2, x_1 y_2 + x_2 y_1)$$

$$\text{Example: } (1, 2) * (3, -1) = (1 * 3 - 2(-1), 1(-1) + 3 * 2) = (5, 5)$$

Properties: Commutative and Associative

$$(a, 0)(b, 0) = (ab, 0)$$

$$(0, 1)(0, 1) = (-1, 0)$$

$$z = (x, y) = (x, 0) + (0, y) = (x, 0) + (0, 1)(y, 0) = x + iy$$

3. Better multiplication:

$$(3 + 2i)(1 - 2i) = (3 + 2i)1 + (3 + 2i)(-2i) = 3 + 2i + 6i - 4 = -1 + 8i$$

4. Inverse:

$$z = x + iy$$

$$w = \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} = i \frac{-y}{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$w = \frac{1}{z}$$

5. Conjugate:

Properties:

$$\bar{z} = x + i(-y) = x - iy$$

$$(a) \quad \overline{z + w} = \bar{z} + \bar{w}$$

$$(b) \quad \overline{z * w} = \bar{z} * \bar{w}$$

$$(c) \quad \overline{z^n} = \bar{z}^n$$

6. Modulus:

$$\text{if } z = x + iy \text{ the modulus is } |z| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$