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complex line

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Definition. Let $a, b \in \mathbb{C}^n$. The set $\ell := \{a + bz \mid z \in \mathbb{C}\}$ is called the *complex line*.

A complex line is a holomorphic complex affine imbedding of \mathbb{C} into \mathbb{C}^n so that if f is holomorphic, then $z \mapsto f(a + bz)$ is also holomorphic. That is the complex structures of ℓ and \mathbb{C}^n are compatible. Hence not every two dimensional real affine space is a complex line.

Definition. Let $a, b_1, \dots, b_k \in \mathbb{C}^n$ such that b_1, \dots, b_k are linearly independent over \mathbb{C} , then. The set

$$\{a + \sum_{j=1}^k b_j z_j \mid z_1, \dots, z_k \in \mathbb{C}\}$$

is called the *complex affine space*.

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