

# Field Extensions and Elliptic Curves

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# Field Extensions

Let us begin with complex numbers  $\mathbb{C}$ ...

## Definition

Complex numbers  $\mathbb{C}$  are defined as the set of pairs  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$  where addition is defined as  $(x_1, y_1) + (x_2, y_2) = (x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2)$ , and the multiplication is:

$$(x_1, y_1) \cdot (x_2, y_2) = (x_1x_2 - y_1y_2, x_1y_2 + x_2y_1). \quad (1)$$

## Definition

Complex numbers  $\mathbb{C}$  is defined as the set of  $x + iy$  where  $i^2 = -1$ .

*Thanks for your attention!*