

# Assignment 11

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**Abstract—This document explains the proof that each subfield of the field of complex number contains every rational number**

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## 1 PROBLEM

Prove that each subfield of the field of complex number contains every rational number

## 2 FORMAL DEFINITION

### 2.1 Complex Numbers

A complex number is a number that can be expressed in the form  $a + bi$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are real numbers, and  $i$  represents the imaginary unit, satisfying the equation  $i^2 = -1$ . The set of complex numbers is denoted by  $\mathbb{C}$

$$\mathbb{C} = \{(a, b) : a, b \in \mathbb{R}\} \quad (2.1.1)$$

### 2.2 Rational Numbers

A number in the form  $\frac{p}{q}$ , where both  $p$  and  $q$  (non-zero) are integers, is called a rational number. The set of rational numbers is denoted by  $\mathbb{Q}$

## 3 PROOF

Let  $\mathbb{Q}$  be the set of rational numbers.

$$\mathbb{Q} = \left\{ \frac{p}{q} : p \in \mathbb{Z}, q \in \mathbb{Z}_{\neq 0} \right\} \quad (3.0.1)$$

Let  $\mathbb{C}$  be the field of complex numbers and given  $\mathbb{F}$  be the subfield of field of complex numbers  $\mathbb{C}$ . Since  $\mathbb{F}$  is the subfield, we could say that

$$0 \in \mathbb{F} \quad (3.0.2)$$

$$1 \in \mathbb{F} \quad (3.0.3)$$

### 3.1 Closed under addition

Here  $\mathbb{F}$  is closed under addition since it is subfield

$$1 + 1 = 2 \in \mathbb{F} \quad (3.1.1)$$

$$1 + 1 + 1 = 3 \in \mathbb{F} \quad (3.1.2)$$

$$\vdots$$

$$1 + 1 + \cdots + 1 (p \text{ times}) = p \in \mathbb{F} \quad (3.1.3)$$

$$1 + 1 + \cdots + 1 (q \text{ times}) = q \in \mathbb{F} \quad (3.1.4)$$

By using the above property we could say that zero and other positive integers belong to  $\mathbb{F}$ . Since  $p$  and  $q$  are integers we say,

$$p \in \mathbb{Z} \quad (3.1.5)$$

$$q \in \mathbb{Z} \quad (3.1.6)$$

### 3.2 Additive Inverse

Let  $x$  be the positive integer belong  $\mathbb{F}$  and by additive inverse we could say,

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{F} \quad (3.2.1)$$

$$(-x) \in \mathbb{F} \quad (3.2.2)$$

Therefore field  $\mathbb{F}$  contains every integers. Let  $n$  be a integer then,

$$n \in \mathbb{Z} \implies n \in \mathbb{F} \quad (3.2.3)$$

$$\mathbb{Z} \subseteq \mathbb{F} \quad (3.2.4)$$

Where  $\mathbb{Z}$  is subset of  $\mathbb{F}$

### 3.3 Multiplicative Inverse

Every element except zero in the subfield  $\mathbb{F}$  has an multiplicative inverse. From equation (3.1.4), since  $q \in \mathbb{F}$  we could say ,

$$\frac{1}{q} \in \mathbb{F} \quad \text{and } q \neq 0 \quad (3.3.1)$$

### 3.4 Closed under multiplication

Also,  $\mathbb{F}$  is closed under multiplication and thus, from equation (3.1.3) and (3.3.1) we get ,

$$p \cdot \frac{1}{q} \in \mathbb{F} \quad (3.4.1)$$

$$\implies \frac{p}{q} \in \mathbb{F} \quad (3.4.2)$$

where ,  $p \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $q \in \mathbb{Z}_{\neq 0}$  (from equation (3.1.6) and (3.3.1))

### 3.5 Conclusion

From (3.0.1) and (3.4.2) we could say ,

$$\mathbb{Q} \subseteq \mathbb{F} \quad (3.5.1)$$

From equation (3.5.1) we could say that each sub-field of the field of complex number contains every rational number

Hence Proved