

Linear Algebra

Vector Space



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1. Addition

To add two complex numbers, you add their real parts together and their imaginary parts together. The sum of $(a + bi)$ and $(c + di)$ is:

$$(a + c) + (b + d)i$$

Here's the step-by-step process:

- Add the real parts: $a + c$
- Add the imaginary parts: $b + d$
- Combine them into the form of a complex number: real part + imaginary part $\cdot i$

2. Multiplication

To multiply two complex numbers, you use the distributive property (FOIL: First, Outer, Inner, Last), just as you would with binomials. Here's the process:

$$\begin{aligned}(a + bi)(c + di) &= ac + adi + bci + bidi \\ &= ac + adi + bci - bd \quad (\text{since } i^2 = -1) \\ &= (ac - bd) + (ad + bc)i\end{aligned}$$

The product of $(a + bi)$ and $(c + di)$ is a new complex number whose real part is $(ac - bd)$ and whose imaginary part is $(ad + bc)$.

3. Division

To divide two complex numbers, you multiply the numerator and denominator by the complex conjugate of the denominator. The complex conjugate of $c + di$ is $c - di$. This gets rid of the imaginary part in the denominator.

The division is performed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{a + bi}{c + di} \cdot \frac{c - di}{c - di} &= \frac{(a + bi)(c - di)}{c^2 + d^2} \\ &= \frac{(ac + bd) + (bc - ad)i}{c^2 + d^2}\end{aligned}$$

The complex conjugate was chosen because $(c + di)(c - di) = c^2 - (di)^2 = c^2 - (-d^2) = c^2 + d^2$, which is a real number, thus eliminating the imaginary unit from the denominator.

The result is:

$$\frac{(ac + bd)}{c^2 + d^2} + \frac{(bc - ad)}{c^2 + d^2}i$$

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Let \mathbf{x} be an m -dimensional vector and $\mathbf{1}_n$ be an n -dimensional row vector of ones. The matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ represented as the outer product of \mathbf{x} and $\mathbf{1}_n$ is given by:

$$A = \mathbf{x}\mathbf{1}_n^T = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_1 & \cdots & x_1 \\ x_2 & x_2 & \cdots & x_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_m & x_m & \cdots & x_m \end{bmatrix}$$

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- Addition $+$ and multiplication \times are binary operations on \mathbb{N} .
- Subtraction $-$ and division $/$ are not always binary operations on \mathbb{N} .

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To determine if B under these operations is a field, we must check the following properties:

- **Closure** is satisfied for both addition and multiplication since all operations result in either 0 or 1.
- **Associativity** is satisfied for both operations in a set with two elements since there are not enough elements to construct a counterexample.
- **Commutativity** is shown in the tables as the tables are symmetric about the diagonal.
- **Additive Identity**: 0 is the additive identity since $0 + 0 = 0$ and $0 + 1 = 1$.
- **Multiplicative Identity**: 1 is the multiplicative identity since $1 \times 0 = 0$ and $1 \times 1 = 1$.
- **Additive Inverse**: Each element is its own additive inverse since $0 + 0 = 0$ and $1 + 1 = 0$.
- **Multiplicative Inverse**: The element 1 is its own multiplicative inverse. The element 0 does not need a multiplicative inverse since it is the additive identity.
- **Distributive Law**: To check this, we would need to verify that $a \times (b + c) = (a \times b) + (a \times c)$ for all a, b , and c in B , but this is evident from the tables provided.

Given that all these properties are satisfied by the operations as defined in the tables, $B = \{0, 1\}$ under these operations does indeed form a field, specifically the finite field of order 2, often denoted by \mathbb{F}_2 .

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1. \mathbb{R} - The set of real numbers is a field. It satisfies all the properties of a field: closure, associativity, commutativity, and distributivity for both addition and multiplication; there are additive and multiplicative identities (0 and 1, respectively); and every element has an additive inverse, and every non-zero element has a multiplicative inverse.
2. \mathbb{C} - The set of complex numbers is a field, with all the same properties as the real numbers, extended to include the imaginary unit i , where $i^2 = -1$.
3. \mathbb{Q} - The set of rational numbers (fractions of integers, excluding division by zero) is a field.
4. \mathbb{Z} - The set of integers is not a field because integers do not have multiplicative inverses within the integers (for example, there is no integer x such that $2x = 1$).
5. \mathbb{W} - The set of whole numbers (non-negative integers, including zero) is not a field because, like the integers, they lack multiplicative inverses for any number other than 1 and 0 (and 0 does not have a multiplicative inverse).
6. \mathbb{N} - The set of natural numbers (positive integers) is not a field for the same reasons as the whole numbers and integers: there are no multiplicative inverses within the set for numbers other than 1.
7. $\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$ - This denotes the set of 2×2 matrices with real number entries. This set is not a field because not every non-zero element (matrix) has a multiplicative inverse. For instance, matrices that have a determinant of zero do not have an inverse.