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# The Complex Numbers by Computer

Theorem. There is a field  $\text{Comp}$  that contains  $\mathbb{R}$  and also contains an element  $i$  so that  $i^2 = -1$ .

## Definitions

```

Comp /: Comp[a_, b_] + Comp[c_, d_] := Comp[a + c, b + d];
Comp /: Comp[a_, b_] * Comp[c_, d_] := Comp[a * c - b * d, a * d + b * c];
Comp[0] = Comp[0, 0];
Comp[1] = Comp[1, 0];
Comp /: Simplify[Comp[a_, b_]] := Comp[Simplify[a], Simplify[b]];
z1 = Comp[a1, b1];
z2 = Comp[a2, b2];
z3 = Comp[a3, b3];

```

"Comp" is a field.

### The "F1" Properties

```

{z1 + z2, z2 + z1}
{Comp[a1 + a2, b1 + b2], Comp[a1 + a2, b1 + b2]}

{z1 * z2, z2 * z1}
{Comp[a1 a2 - b1 b2, a2 b1 + a1 b2], Comp[a1 a2 - b1 b2, a2 b1 + a1 b2]}

```

### The "F2" Properties

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{(z1 + z2) + z3, z1 + (z2 + z3)}
{Comp[a1 + a2 + a3, b1 + b2 + b3], Comp[a1 + a2 + a3, b1 + b2 + b3]}

f2 = {(z1 * z2) * z3, z1 * (z2 * z3)}
{Comp[a3 (a1 a2 - b1 b2) - (a2 b1 + a1 b2) b3, a3 (a2 b1 + a1 b2) + (a1 a2 - b1 b2) b3],
 Comp[-b1 (a3 b2 + a2 b3) + a1 (a2 a3 - b2 b3), a1 (a3 b2 + a2 b3) + b1 (a2 a3 - b2 b3)]}

Simplify[f2]
{Comp[a1 a2 a3 - a3 b1 b2 - a2 b1 b3 - a1 b2 b3, a2 a3 b1 + a1 a3 b2 + a1 a2 b3 - b1 b2 b3],
 Comp[a1 a2 a3 - a3 b1 b2 - a2 b1 b3 - a1 b2 b3, a2 a3 b1 + a1 a3 b2 + a1 a2 b3 - b1 b2 b3]}

```

## The "F3" Properties

```
{z1, z1 + Comp[0]}
{Comp[a1, b1], Comp[a1, b1]}
```

```
{z1, z1 * Comp[1]}
{Comp[a1, b1], Comp[a1, b1]}
```

## The "F4" Properties

```
{z1 + Comp[-a1, -b1], Comp[0]}
{Comp[0, 0], Comp[0, 0]}
```

$$f4 = \left\{ z1 * \text{Comp} \left[ \frac{a1}{a1^2 + b1^2}, \frac{-b1}{a1^2 + b1^2} \right], \text{Comp}[1] \right\}$$

$$\left\{ \text{Comp} \left[ \frac{a1^2}{a1^2 + b1^2} + \frac{b1^2}{a1^2 + b1^2}, 0 \right], \text{Comp}[1, 0] \right\}$$

```
Simplify[f4]
{Comp[1, 0], Comp[1, 0]}
```

## The "F5" Property

```
f5 = {z1 * (z2 + z3), z1 * z2 + z1 * z3}
{Comp[a1 (a2 + a3) - b1 (b2 + b3), (a2 + a3) b1 + a1 (b2 + b3)],
 Comp[a1 a2 + a1 a3 - b1 b2 - b1 b3, a2 b1 + a3 b1 + a1 b2 + a1 b3]}
```

```
Simplify[f5]
{Comp[a1 (a2 + a3) - b1 (b2 + b3), (a2 + a3) b1 + a1 (b2 + b3)],
 Comp[a1 (a2 + a3) - b1 (b2 + b3), a2 b1 + a3 b1 + a1 (b2 + b3)]}
```

## "Comp" contains the real numbers.

```
Comp[a1, 0] + Comp[a2, 0]
Comp[a1 + a2, 0]
```

```
Comp[a1, 0] * Comp[a2, 0]
Comp[a1 a2, 0]
```

## "Comp" contains a square root of -1.

```
i = Comp[0, 1];
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i * i
```

```
Comp[-1, 0]
```

```
i * i + Comp[1]
```

```
Comp[0, 0]
```

## The Polar Presentation of Comp

```
Pol[r_,  $\theta$ _] := Comp[r * Cos[ $\theta$ ], r * Sin[ $\theta$ ]]
```

```
res1 = Pol[r1,  $\theta$ 1] * Pol[r2,  $\theta$ 2]
```

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Comp[r1 r2 Cos[ $\theta$ 1] Cos[ $\theta$ 2] - r1 r2 Sin[ $\theta$ 1] Sin[ $\theta$ 2],  
r1 r2 Cos[ $\theta$ 2] Sin[ $\theta$ 1] + r1 r2 Cos[ $\theta$ 1] Sin[ $\theta$ 2]]
```

```
Simplify[res1]
```

```
Comp[r1 r2 Cos[ $\theta$ 1 +  $\theta$ 2], r1 r2 Sin[ $\theta$ 1 +  $\theta$ 2]]
```