

The vector $a \in \mathbb{R}_{xy}^2 = \mathbb{R}_x^1 \oplus \mathbb{R}_y^1$ is thus represented by the two coordinate dimensions.

The vectors $x = \lambda_x \hat{1}_x \in \mathbb{R}_x^1$ and $y = \lambda_y \hat{1}_y \in \mathbb{R}_y^1$ also belong to \mathbb{R}_{xy}^2 , as $\mathbb{R}_x^1 \subset \mathbb{R}_{xy}^2$ and $\mathbb{R}_y^1 \subset \mathbb{R}_{xy}^2$.

from the basis set $\{\hat{1}_x, \hat{1}_y\} \in \mathbb{R}_{xy}^2$, we form the vector space $\mathbb{R}_{xy}^2 \sim (\mathbb{R}_{xy}^2, \mathbb{R})$ by the linear form

$$(4.27) \quad a = \lambda_x \hat{1}_x + \lambda_y \hat{1}_y \in \mathbb{R}_{xy}^2 \quad \text{for } \lambda_x, \lambda_y \in \mathbb{R}$$

over the real scalars and by that produce the real plane $\mathbb{R}_{xy}^2 \sim \{a = \lambda_x \hat{1}_x + \lambda_y \hat{1}_y \mid \forall \lambda_x, \lambda_y \in \mathbb{R}\}$.

If we remove the Cartesian x, y indexing in \mathbb{R}_{xy}^2 , we lose the claim $\hat{1}_x \perp \hat{1}_y$ and we can use free geometric basis vectors e.g., $\{\hat{1}_1, \hat{1}_2\}$, (where $\hat{1}_1 \angle \hat{1}_2$) and the linear form span a plane

$$(4.28) \quad \mathbb{R}^2 \sim \text{span}\{\hat{1}_1, \hat{1}_2\} = \{x = \lambda_1 \hat{1}_1 + \lambda_2 \hat{1}_2 \mid \forall \lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{R}\}, \quad \dim(\mathbb{R}^2) = 2.$$

The n dimensional real vector space $V_n \sim \mathbb{R}^n \sim (\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}) \sim (V_n, \mathbb{R})$ we can from a basis set

$\hat{1}_1, \dots, \hat{1}_n$ span; $\mathbb{R}^n = \mathbb{R}_1^1 \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{R}_n^1 = \text{span}\{\hat{1}_1, \dots, \hat{1}_n\}$ by a linear combination

$$(4.29) \quad x = \lambda_1 \hat{1}_1 + \dots + \lambda_n \hat{1}_n, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad \hat{1}_i \in \mathbb{R}_i^1 \quad \text{and } \lambda_i \in \mathbb{R} \quad \text{for } i=1, \dots, n, \quad \text{hence } \dim(\mathbb{R}^n) = n.$$

It is here left to the reader to consider the situation in three dimensions,

$\dim(\mathbb{R}^3) = 3$; $\mathbb{R}^3 = \mathbb{R}_{xyz}^3 = \mathbb{R}_x^1 \oplus \mathbb{R}_y^1 \oplus \mathbb{R}_z^1$, for a linear form, that spans $V_3 \sim (\mathbb{R}^3, \mathbb{R})$ from a linearly independent basis set $\{\hat{1}_x, \hat{1}_y, \hat{1}_z\}$, and a scalar set $(\lambda_x, \lambda_y, \lambda_z)$.

4.1.3. The Vector Space of Complex Numbers

As with the real numbers \mathbb{R} , we look at the complex numbers \mathbb{C} and form the corresponding vector space $\mathbb{C}^1 \sim (\mathbb{C}^1, \mathbb{C})$ over the complex number scalars \mathbb{C} .

Again, it is the multiplying neutral scalar $1 \in \mathbb{C}$, that must form the natural basis for \mathbb{C}^1

But the scalar $1 \in \mathbb{C}$ has as for the real numbers no extension $\overline{[1,1]} = 0$.

The real interval $[0,1] \subset \mathbb{R}$ spans only the real numbers $\overline{\mathbb{R}}$. But a unit circle of a plane with a radius vector $\hat{1}_c \in \mathbb{C}^1$ will be a graphic object as an intuition option for a basis.

Another vector $\hat{1}_c$ perpendicular to $\hat{1}_c$, $\hat{1}_c \perp \hat{1}_c$ has further defined the unit circle plane in a complex symbiosis. For this unit circle, we choose e.g. $\hat{1}_c \leftarrow \hat{1}_x$, $\hat{1}_c \leftarrow \hat{1}_y$ from the Cartesian plane where the linear form $a = \lambda_x \hat{1}_x + \lambda_y \hat{1}_y \in \mathbb{R}_{xy}^2$ for $\lambda_x, \lambda_y \in \mathbb{R}$ span the plane.

as above. Our intuition of a progressive orientated **direction** of rotation of this unit circle \odot plane complex $1_\odot \sim \hat{1}_c \perp \hat{1}_c \leftarrow e^{i0}$ symbiotic unit circle $1_\odot \in \mathbb{C}_1^1$, radius magnitude $|1_\odot| = e^0 = 1, 1 \in \mathbb{C}$. This is an example of one complex basis vector $1_\odot \in \mathbb{C}_1^1$, forming the linear vector space **quality** of complex number plane as a linear form over the complex scalars \mathbb{C}

$$(4.30) \quad z = \psi 1_\odot \in \mathbb{C}_1^1, \quad \text{where } z \in \mathbb{C}_1^1 \quad \text{and the scalars } \psi \in \mathbb{C}, \quad \mathbb{C}_1^1 = \text{span}\{1_\odot\}, \quad \dim(\mathbb{C}_1^1) = 1.$$

We compare this complex linear form from a basis (4.30) with the Cartesian writing (4.27)

$$(4.31) \quad \begin{array}{ccccccc} a = x + y = & \lambda_x \hat{1}_x + \lambda_y \hat{1}_y \in \mathbb{R}_{xy}^2, & \lambda_x, \lambda_y \in \mathbb{R} & \hat{1}_x, \hat{1}_y \in \mathbb{R}_{xy}^2, & \hat{1}_x \in \mathbb{R}_x^1, & \hat{1}_y \in \mathbb{R}_y^1 & \\ \updownarrow & & \updownarrow & & \updownarrow & & \\ z = \psi 1_\odot = & \lambda_{\hat{1}_c} \hat{1}_c + \lambda_{\hat{1}_c} \hat{1}_c \in \mathbb{C}_1^1, & \psi \in \mathbb{C}, & \lambda_{\hat{1}_c}, \lambda_{\hat{1}_c} \in \mathbb{R} & \hat{1}_c, \hat{1}_c \in \mathbb{C}_1^1 & \sim \mathbb{R}_{xy}^2 = \mathbb{R}_x^1 \oplus \mathbb{R}_y^1 & \end{array}$$

The complex scalars \mathbb{C} are divided into components we call the real and imaginary parts

$$(4.32) \quad \text{Re}(\psi) = \lambda_{\hat{1}_x} \in \mathbb{R}_x = \text{Re}(\mathbb{C}), \quad \text{Im}(\psi) = \lambda_{\hat{1}_y} \in \mathbb{R}_y = \text{Im}(\mathbb{C}), \quad \text{and writes}$$

$$(4.33) \quad z = \psi 1_\odot = \text{Re}(\psi) \hat{1}_c + \text{Im}(\psi) \hat{1}_c \in \mathbb{C}_1^1$$

We define for our intuition the complex plane by a basis set $\{1_\odot\} \leftrightarrow \{\hat{1}_c, \hat{1}_c\} \leftrightarrow \{\hat{1}_x, \hat{1}_y\}$ from the implicit nature of the Cartesian plane by our traditional intuition of a xy -plane. This heuristic assumption will be elaborated to a much richer plane geometric algebra later in chapter 5.

An alternative description of the complex basis $\{1_\odot\}$ is the polar expression $\psi = \rho e^{i\varphi} \in \mathbb{C}$, where $\rho, \varphi \in \mathbb{R}$, are already treated in the chapter on the concept of time¹⁷⁰ and will be explored further later below. It is worth noting that the linear forms

$$(4.34) \quad z = \psi 1_\odot = \rho e^{i\varphi} 1_\odot \in \mathbb{C}_1^1 \quad \text{for } \psi \in \mathbb{C} \quad \text{and } \rho, \varphi \in \mathbb{R}$$

do not produce a geometric line, but rather a plane through the dilation of a circle $\rho = |\psi|$, and a rotation $e^{i\varphi} \in \mathbb{C}$ through the circle, when we have given $\psi = \rho e^{i\varphi}$. For the complex basis vector, we have $|1_\odot| = |e^{i\varphi}| = 1$, with the speciality $|e^{i0}| = e^{i0} = 1 \in \mathbb{R}$

I also point out and claim, that although there is an isometry between the complex vector space and the real Cartesian plane $\mathbb{C}_1^1 \leftrightarrow \mathbb{R}_{xy}^2$, the substance (the system) of the complex vector space \mathbb{C}_1^1 containing more direct information about the structure of the plane than a Cartesian coordinate system of vector spaces $\mathbb{R}_{xy}^2 = \mathbb{R}_x^1 \oplus \mathbb{R}_y^1$. Some of the structure we hide in the term $1_\odot \sim \hat{1}_c \perp \hat{1}_c$. The (x, y) are full symmetric homogeneous coordinates, while the polar coordinates (ρ, φ) are inhomogeneous coordinates, where φ contain information from the rotation of the plane. This problem will be developed later below through the Geometric Algebra.

The reader should consider the problem; what I mean by the heuristic definition

$\{1_\odot\} := \{e^{i\varphi}\} \sim \{\hat{1}_c \perp \hat{1}_c\} \sim \{\hat{1}_c\}$ as the basis for the complex vector space

¹⁷⁰ Polar Coordinates (ρ, ϕ) referred to in sections 3.2.4.2 and later below in 5.3.2.2 and further.