

Definition 3.7

Let $A \in K^{nm}$, $B \in K^{pq}$ be matrices

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1m} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & a_{nm} \end{pmatrix}$$

The Kronecker product (aka. tensor product) of A and B is

the block matrix

$$A \otimes B = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}B & \dots & a_{1m}B \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1}B & \dots & a_{nm}B \end{pmatrix} \in K^{np \times mq}$$

Proposition 3.8

Let $K \hookrightarrow L$ and $\alpha, \beta \in L$ eigenvalues of matrices $A \in K^{n \times n}$ and $B \in K^{m \times m}$ respectively.

Then

- (i) $-\alpha$ is an eigenvalue of $-A$
- (ii) $1/\alpha$ is an eigenvalue of A^{-1} if A invertible
- (iii) $\alpha\beta$ is an eigenvalue of $A \otimes B$
- (iv) $\alpha + \beta$ is an eigenvalue of $A \otimes I_m + I_n \otimes B$
where $I_n \in K^{n \times n}$, $I_m \in K^{m \times m}$ are identity matrices.

Proof

Let $u \in L^n$ and $v \in L^m$ be the corresponding eigenvectors

$$Au = \alpha u \quad \text{and} \quad Bv = \beta v.$$

$$(i) (-A)u = -Au = -\alpha u$$

$\Rightarrow u$ eigenvector of $-A$ with eigenvalue $-\alpha$

$$(ii) A^{-1}u = \frac{1}{\alpha} A^{-1}(\alpha u) = \frac{1}{\alpha} A^{-1}Au = \frac{1}{\alpha} u$$

$\Rightarrow u$ eigenvector of A^{-1} with eigenvalue $1/\alpha$

(iii) Consider the column vector

$$u \otimes v = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_m \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 v \\ \vdots \\ u_n v \end{pmatrix} \in L^{nm}$$

By block-matrix multiplication

$$\begin{aligned} (A \otimes B)(u \otimes v) &= \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} B(u, v) + \dots + a_{1n} B(u_n, v) \\ \vdots \\ a_{n1} B(u, v) + \dots + a_{nn} B(u_n, v) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} (a_{11} u_1 + \dots + a_{1n} u_n) Bv \\ \vdots \\ (a_{n1} u_1 + \dots + a_{nn} u_n) Bv \end{pmatrix} \\ &= (Au) \otimes (Bv) \\ &= (\alpha u) \otimes (Bv) = \alpha B(u \otimes v) \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow u \otimes v$ eigenvector of $A \otimes B$ with eigenvalue αB

$$(iv) (A \otimes I + I \otimes B)(u \otimes v)$$

$$= (Au) \otimes (Iv) + (Iu) \otimes (Bv)$$

$$= \alpha (u \otimes v) + B(u \otimes v)$$

$$= (\alpha + B)(u \otimes v) \quad \square$$

Example 3.9

Let $\alpha = i$, $\beta = \sqrt[3]{2}$. Their minimal polynomials over \mathbb{Q} and corresponding companion matrices are

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad p_\alpha = 1 + 0 \cdot t + t^2$$

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad p_\beta = -2 + 0 \cdot t + 0 \cdot t^2 + t^3$$

$$A \otimes B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -B \\ B & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} & & & & & -2 \\ & & & & -1 & 0 \\ & & & 2 & 0 & -1 \\ & & 1 & 0 & & \\ & 0 & 1 & & & \\ 0 & 1 & & & & \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det(tI_6 - A \otimes B) = t^6 + 4$$

$$(i\sqrt[3]{2})^6 = i^6 \cdot (\sqrt[3]{2})^6 = 4$$

$$A \otimes I_3 + I_2 \otimes B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -I_3 \\ I_3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} B & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(tI_6 - A \otimes I_3 - I_2 \otimes B)$$

$$= t^6 + 3t^4 - 4t^3 + 3t^2 + 12t + 5$$

is a polynomial with root $i + \sqrt[3]{2}$.

(also happens to be its minimal polynomial)

3B CONSTRUCTIBLE NUMBERS

Constructible refers to ruler and compass constructions.

Operations:

- (1) Given two points $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$, $z \neq w$
construct the (infinite) line $L(z, w)$



- (2) Given a point $z \in \mathbb{C}$ and a radius $r > 0$
construct the circle $C(z, r)$



Definition 3.10

- Let P_n, L_n, C_n , $n \in \mathbb{N}$, be the recursively defined sets of n -constructible points, lines, circles:

$$P_0 = \{0, 1\} \subset \mathbb{C}, \quad L_0 = \emptyset, \quad C_0 = \emptyset$$

$$L_{n+1} = \{L(z, w) : z, w \in P_n\}$$

$$C_{n+1} = \{C(z, |w-u|), z, w, u \in P_n\}$$

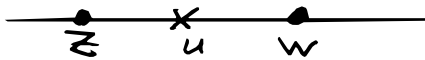
$$P_{n+1} = \text{"intersections of distinct objects of } L_{n+1} \cup C_{n+1} \text{"}$$

$$= \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \exists A, B \in L_{n+1} \cup C_{n+1}, A \neq B, z \in A \cap B\}$$

- An element $z \in \mathbb{C}$ is constructible if $z \in \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} P_n$.
- Denote by \mathcal{P} the set of constructible numbers.

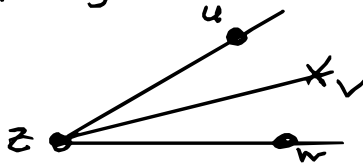
The elementary line and circle constructions lead to increasingly complicated constructions, search for "Euclid: The Game" to try a digital version. Some possible constructions:

1. Line bisection



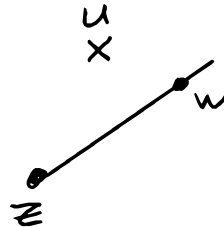
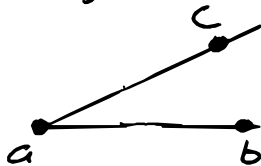
$$z, w \rightsquigarrow u \in L(z, w) \text{ s.t. } |z-u| = |w-u|$$

2. Angle bisection



$$z, u, w \rightsquigarrow v \text{ s.t. } \angle wzv = \frac{1}{2} \angle wzu$$

3. Angle repositioning



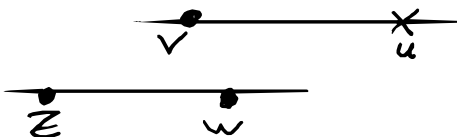
$$a, b, c, z, w \rightsquigarrow u \text{ s.t. } \angle bac = \angle wzu$$

4. Perpendicular line



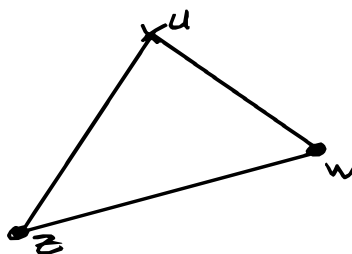
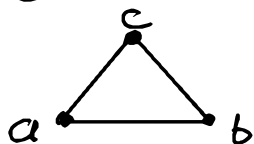
$$z, w \rightsquigarrow u \text{ s.t. } \angle wzu = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

5. Parallel line



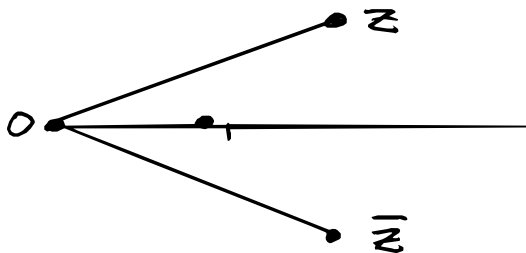
$$z, w, v \rightsquigarrow u \text{ s.t. } L(u, v) \text{ parallel to } L(z, w)$$

6. Similar triangle



$a, b, c, z, w \leadsto u$ s.t. triangle (z, w, u)
similar to triangle (a, b, c)

7. Complex conjugate



Proposition 3.11

Suppose $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$ are constructible.

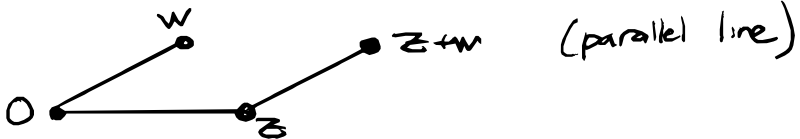
Then all of the following are constructible

- (i) $z+w$
- (ii) $-z$
- (iii) zw
- (iv) $1/z$
- (v) $\pm\sqrt{z}$

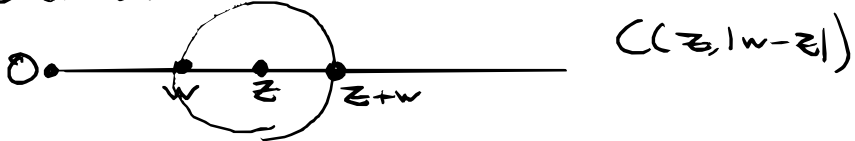
Proof by picture

Using the previous constructions 1-7:

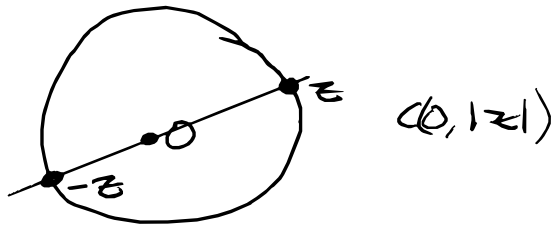
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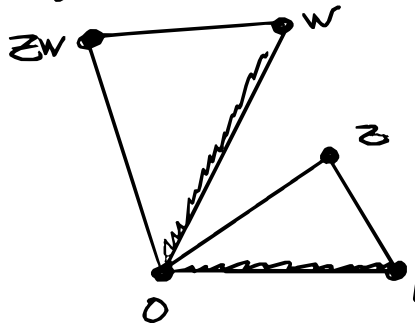
Note colinear cases need to be handled separately:



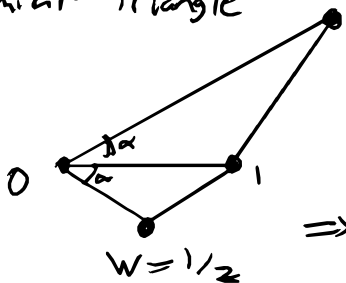
(ii)



(iii) Similar triangle:



(iv) similar triangle

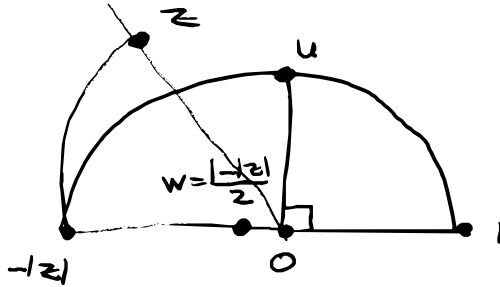


$$\frac{|w|}{1} = \frac{1}{|z|}$$

& w colinear with \bar{z}

$$\Rightarrow w = \frac{\bar{z}}{|z|} \cdot |w| = \frac{\bar{z}}{|z|^2} = z^{-1}$$

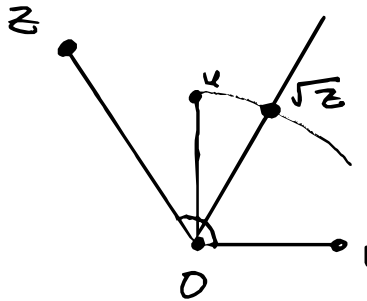
(v)



bisect segment $-|z|$ to $1 \rightarrow w$

$C(w, \sqrt{w-1})$ & perpendicular line to $L(0,1)$ through 0 intersect at u .

Geometric mean theorem $\Rightarrow |u| = \sqrt{1-|z| \cdot 1} = \sqrt{|z|}$



Bisect angle $\angle 0z1$ & intersect $C(0, |u|)$

If $z = re^{i\theta}$, intersection is $\sqrt{r} \cdot e^{i\theta/2} = \sqrt{z} \quad \square$

Definition 3.12

A field K is quadratically closed if every $p \in K[t]$ with $\deg p = 2$ has a root.

Proposition 3.11 \Rightarrow the set of constructible numbers is a quadratically closed field.

Theorem 3.13

The field of constructible numbers \mathbb{P} is the quadratic closure of \mathbb{Q} , i.e., the union of all subfields $K_n \subset \mathbb{C}$ st. \exists a chain of extensions $\mathbb{Q} = K_0 \hookrightarrow K_1 \hookrightarrow \dots \hookrightarrow K_n$, $[K_{i+1} : K_i] = 2$.

Proof

Let $\mathbb{Q} = K_0 \hookrightarrow \dots \hookrightarrow K_n$ be a chain of quadratic extensions. Since each $[K_{j+1} : K_j] = 2$, $K_{j+1} = K_j(\alpha_{j+1})$ with $\alpha_{j+1}^2 \in K_j$ (Exercise). \mathbb{Q} is constructible, so $K_1 = \mathbb{Q}(\alpha_1)$ is also constructible by Proposition 3.11, since $\alpha_1 = \pm \sqrt{\alpha_1^2}$, $\alpha_1^2 \in \mathbb{Q}$ constructible. By induction each K_j is constructible. $\Rightarrow \mathbb{P}$ contains the quadratic closure.

For the converse, we will use the following:

Lemma 3.14

If $\mathbb{Z} \in \mathcal{C}$ is n -constructible, i.e. $\mathbb{Z} \in \mathcal{P}_n$, then $\overline{\mathbb{Z}} \in \mathcal{P}_n$.

Proof of Lemma

Consider the mirror image of the construction. \square