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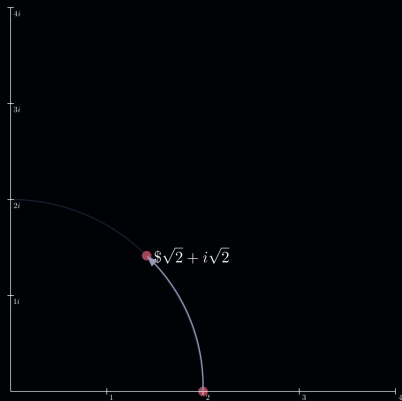


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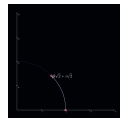


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1. Who says you need to have a real number for your interest rate?
2. The Fed moves rates up and down all the time, and I think it's high time those cowards start moving it left and right
3. But first, what does it mean to move money to the left? [Vsauce Sting]
4. For now let's try rotating it around a circle,
5. So we take \$2 and rotate it around the origin 45 degrees in the complex plane
6. We get $\sqrt{2} + i\sqrt{2}$

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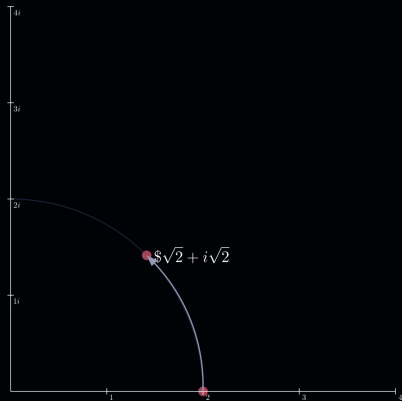
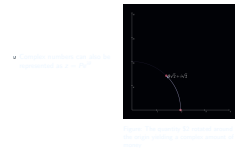


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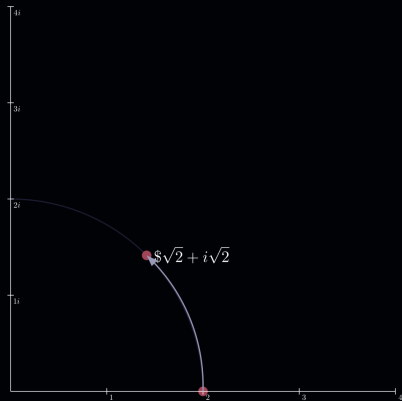


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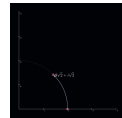


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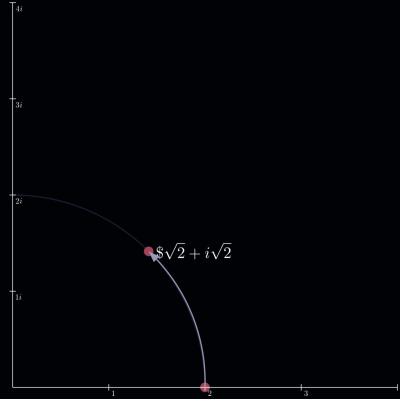
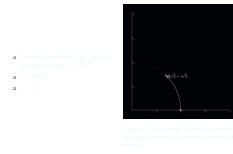


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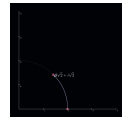
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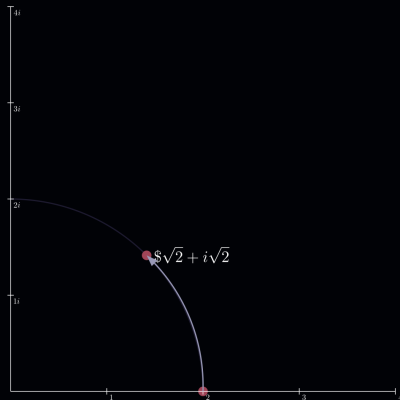


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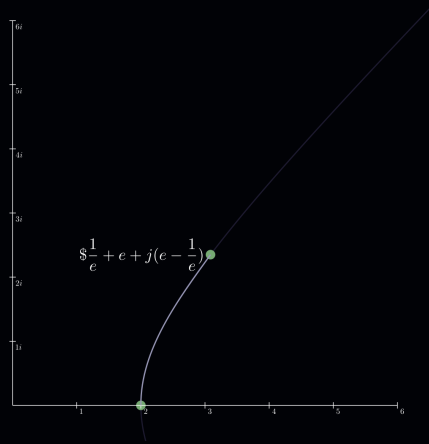


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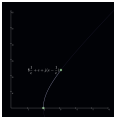


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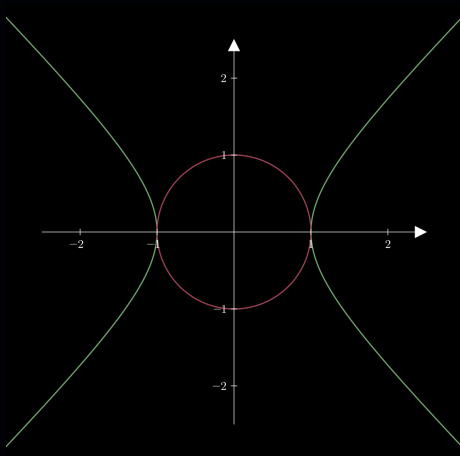


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2. There's actually a lot of circle stuff that have hyperbolic equivalents
3. Remember how \sin and \cos can turn an angle into x and y coordinates on a circle? There's also \sinh and \cosh which can turn an angle into coordinates on a hyperbola
4. Here's the big one we care about though, multiplying something by i rotates it around a circle, there's actually a constant j that rotates something around a hyperbola

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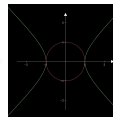


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Dual Interest Rates

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- $i = \sqrt{-1}, j = \sqrt{1}, \varepsilon = \sqrt{0}$
- Okay so lets look at $Pe^{\varepsilon i}$ on the board

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1. Okay this one isn't as interesting from an interest rate point-of-view, but I need to include it for completeness
2. I guess k was taken when they named this one?

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1. Fun fact you can also represent the hypercomplex numbers as matrices
2. Note how all 3 of these have zeroes in the major diagonal, so we can also add them to real numbers by multiplying them by the identity matrix

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