

Algebra Formulas

1. Set identities

Definitions:

- I: Universal set
- A': Complement
- Empty set: \emptyset

Union of sets

$$A \cup B = \{x | x \in A \text{ or } x \in B\}$$

Intersection of sets

$$A \cap B = \{x | x \in A \text{ and } x \in B\}$$

Complement

$$A' = \{x \in I | x \notin A\}$$

Difference of sets

$$B \setminus A = \{x | x \in B \text{ and } x \notin A\}$$

Cartesian product

$$A \times B = \{(x, y) | x \in A \text{ and } y \in B\}$$

Set identities involving union

- Commutativity
 $A \cup B = B \cup A$
- Associativity
 $A \cup (B \cup C) = (A \cup B) \cup C$
- Idempotency
 $A \cup A = A$

Set identities involving intersection

- commutativity
 $A \cap B = B \cap A$
- Associativity
 $A \cap (B \cap C) = (A \cap B) \cap C$
- Idempotency
 $A \cap A = A$

Set identities involving union and intersection

- Distributivity
 $A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$
 $A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$
- Domination
 $A \cap \emptyset = \emptyset$
 $A \cup I = I$

Identity

$$A \cup \emptyset = A$$
$$A \cap I = A$$

Set identities involving union, intersection and complement

- complement of intersection and union
 $A \cup A' = I$
 $A \cap A' = \emptyset$

De Morgan's laws

$$(A \cup B)' = A' \cap B'$$
$$(A \cap B)' = A' \cup B'$$

Set identities involving difference

$$B \setminus A = B \cap A'$$
$$B \setminus A = B \cap A'$$
$$A \setminus A = \emptyset$$
$$(A \setminus B) \cap C = (A \cap C) \setminus (B \cap C)$$
$$A' = I \setminus A$$

2. Sets of Numbers

Definitions:

- N: Natural numbers
- N_0 : Whole numbers
- Z: Integers
- Z^+ : Positive integers
- Z^- : Negative integers
- Q: Rational numbers
- C: Complex numbers

Natural numbers (counting numbers)

$$N = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$$

Whole numbers (counting numbers + zero)

$$N_0 = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$$

Integers

$$Z^+ = N = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$$
$$Z^- = \{\dots, -3, -2, -1\}$$
$$Z = Z^- \cup \{0\} \cup Z^+ = \{\dots, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$$

Irrational numbers:

Nonrepeating and nonterminating integers

Real numbers:

Union of rational and irrational numbers

Complex numbers:

$$C = \{x + iy \mid x \in R \text{ and } y \in R\}$$

$$N \subset Z \subset Q \subset R \subset C$$

3. Complex numbers

Definitions:

A complex number is written as $a + bi$ where a and b are real numbers and i , called the imaginary unit, has the property that $i^2 = -1$.

The complex numbers $a+bi$ and $a-bi$ are called complex conjugate of each other.

Equality of complex numbers

$a + bi = c + di$ if and only if $a = c$ and $b = d$

Addition of complex numbers

$$(a + bi) + (c + di) = (a + c) + (b + d)i$$

Subtraction of complex numbers

$$(a + bi) - (c + di) = (a - c) + (b - d)i$$

Multiplication of complex numbers

$$(a + bi)(c + di) = (ac - bd) + (ad + bc)i$$

Division of complex numbers

$$\frac{a + bi}{c + di} = \frac{a + bi}{c + di} \cdot \frac{c - di}{c - di} = \frac{ac + bd}{c^2 + d^2} + \left(\frac{bc - ad}{c^2 + d^2}\right)i$$

Polar form of complex numbers

$$x + iy = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta) \quad r - \text{modulus, } \theta - \text{amplitude}$$

Multiplication and division in polar form

$$\begin{aligned} [r_1(\cos \theta_1 + i \sin \theta_1)] \cdot [r_2(\cos \theta_2 + i \sin \theta_2)] &= \\ &= r_1 r_2 [\cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) + i \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2)] \\ \frac{r_1(\cos \theta_1 + i \sin \theta_1)}{r_2(\cos \theta_2 + i \sin \theta_2)} &= \frac{r_1}{r_2} [\cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) + i \sin(\theta_1 - \theta_2)] \end{aligned}$$

De Moivre's theorem

$$[r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)]^n = r^n (\cos n\theta + i \sin n\theta)$$

Roots of complex numbers

$$\left[r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta) \right]^{\frac{1}{n}} = r^{\frac{1}{n}} \left(\cos \frac{\theta + 2k\pi}{n} + i \sin \frac{\theta + 2k\pi}{n} \right)$$

From this the n th roots can be obtained by putting $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n - 1$

4. Factoring and product

Factoring Formulas

$$a^2 - b^2 = (a - b)(a + b)$$

$$a^3 - b^3 = (a - b)(a^2 + ab + b^2)$$

$$a^3 + b^3 = (a + b)(a^2 - ab + b^2)$$

$$a^4 - b^4 = (a - b)(a + b)(a^2 + b^2)$$

$$a^5 - b^5 = (a - b)(a^4 + a^3b + a^2b^2 + ab^3 + b^4)$$

Product Formulas

$$(a + b)^2 = a^2 + 2ab + b^2$$

$$(a - b)^2 = a^2 - 2ab + b^2$$

$$(a + b)^3 = a^3 + 3a^2b + 3ab^2 + b^3$$

$$(a - b)^3 = a^3 - 3a^2b + 3ab^2 - b^3$$

$$(a + b)^4 = a^4 + 4a^3b + 6a^2b^2 + 4ab^3 + b^4$$

$$(a - b)^4 = a^4 - 4a^3b + 6a^2b^2 - 4ab^3 + b^4$$

$$(a + b + c)^2 = a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2ab + 2ac + 2bc$$

$$(a + b + c + \dots)^2 = a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + \dots + 2(ab + ac + bc + \dots)$$

5. Algebraic equations

Quadratic Equation: $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$

Solutions (roots):

$$x_{1,2} = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

if $D = b^2 - 4ac$ is the discriminant, then the roots are

- (i) real and unique if $D > 0$
- (ii) real and equal if $D = 0$
- (iii) complex conjugate if $D < 0$

Cubic Equation: $x^3 + a_1x^2 + a_2x + a_3 = 0$

Let

$$Q = \frac{3a_2 - a_1^2}{9}, \quad R = \frac{9a_1a_2 - 27a_3 - 2a_1^3}{54}$$
$$S = \sqrt[3]{R + \sqrt{Q^3 + R^2}}, \quad T = \sqrt[3]{R - \sqrt{Q^3 + R^2}}$$

then solutions are:

$$x_1 = S + T - \frac{1}{3}a_1$$
$$x_2 = -\frac{1}{2}(S + T) - \frac{1}{3}a_1 + \frac{1}{2}i\sqrt{3}(S - T)$$
$$x_3 = -\frac{1}{2}(S + T) - \frac{1}{3}a_1 - \frac{1}{2}i\sqrt{3}(S - T)$$

if $D = Q^3 + R^3$ is the discriminant, then:

- (i) one root is real and two complex conjugate if $D > 0$
- (ii) all roots are real and at least two are equal if $D = 0$
- (iii) all roots are real and unequal if $D < 0$

Cuadric Equation: $x^4 + a_1x^3 + a_2x^2 + a_3x + a_4 = 0$

Let y_1 be a real root of the cubic equation

$$y^3 - a_2y^2 + (a_1a_3 - 4a_4)y + (4a_2a_4 - a_3^2 - a_1^2a_4) = 0$$

Solution are the 4 roots of

$$z^2 + \frac{1}{2}(a_1 \pm \sqrt{a_1^2 - 4a_2 + 4y_1})z + \frac{1}{2}(y_1 \pm \sqrt{y_1^2 - 4a_4}) = 0$$