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Some important formulae

1. Algebraic formulae

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

2. Laws of Indices If a and b are non-zero rational numbers and m and n are rational numbers, then:

$$a^0 = 1$$

$$a^{-m} = \frac{1}{a^m}$$

$$\sqrt[m]{a} = a^{\frac{1}{m}}$$

$$a^{\frac{m}{n}} = \sqrt[n]{a^m}$$

$$a^m \times a^n = a^{m+n}$$

$$a^m \div a^n = a^{\frac{m}{n}}$$

$$(a^m)^n = a^{mn}$$

$$(ab)^m = a^m b^m$$

$$a^{m^n} = a^{(m^n)}$$

3. Laws of Logarithms

$$\log_x 1 = 0$$

$$\log_a a = 1$$

$$\log_x x = \log_x a = 1$$

$$\log_x (m \times n) = \log_x m + \log_x n$$

$$\log_x \left(\frac{m}{n}\right) = \log_x m - \log_x n$$

$$\log_x (m)^n = n \log_x m$$

$$\log_x m = \frac{\log_a m}{\log_a x} = \log_a m \times \log_a x$$

$$x \log_x m = m$$

$$\text{If } \log_x m = \log_y m, \text{ then, } x = y$$

$$\text{If } \log_x m = \log_x n, \text{ then, } m = n$$

4. Sum of important series

Sum of first n natural numbers

$$1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

Sum of the squares of the first n natural numbers

$$1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + n^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$$

Sum of the cubes of the first n natural numbers

$$1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + n^3 = \left[\frac{n(n+1)}{2} \right]^2$$

5. Arithmetic Progression

For an arithmetic progression (A.P.) whose first term is a and the common difference is d :

$$n\text{th term} = t_n = a + (n-1)d$$

$$\text{The sum of the first } n \text{ terms} = S_n = \frac{n}{2} (a+l) = \frac{n}{2} (2a + (n-1)d) \text{ where } l = \text{last term} = a + (n-1)d$$

6. Geometric Progression

For a geometric progression (G.P.) whose first term is a and the common ratio is r :

$$n\text{th term} = t_n = ar^{n-1}$$

The sum of the first n terms:

$$S_n = \begin{cases} \frac{a(1-r^n)}{(1-r)} & r < 1 \\ \frac{a(r^n-1)}{(r-1)} & r > 1 \\ na & r = 1 \end{cases}$$

7. Mean

$$\text{Arithmetic mean} = a_1 + \frac{a_2 + \dots + a_m}{m}$$

$$\text{For two numbers } x \text{ and } y, \text{ arithmetic mean} = \frac{x+y}{2}.$$

$$\text{Geometric mean} = m^{\sqrt[m]{a_1 \times a_2 \times \dots \times a_m}}$$

$$\text{For two numbers } x \text{ and } y, \text{ geometric mean} = \sqrt{xy}.$$

$$\text{Harmonic mean} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{a_1} + \frac{1}{a_2} + \dots + \frac{1}{a_m}}$$

$$\text{For two numbers } x \text{ and } y, \text{ harmonic mean} = \frac{2xy}{x+y}$$

8. Percentages

$$\text{Percentage Increase} = \frac{\text{Actual increase}}{\text{Original quantity}} \times 100$$

$$\text{Percentage Decrease} = \frac{\text{Actual decrease}}{\text{Original quantity}} \times 100$$

Fraction	Percentage (%)	Fraction	Percentage (%)
1/2	50	1/9	11.11
1/3	33.33	1/10	10
1/4	25	1/11	9.09
1/5	20	1/12	8.33
1/6	16.66	1/13	7.69
1/7	14.28	1/14	7.14
1/8	12.5	1/15	6.66

9. Profit and Loss

$$\text{Profit} = \text{Selling Price} - \text{Cost Price} = \text{SP} - \text{CP}$$

$$\text{Percentage Profit} = \frac{\text{Profit}}{\text{CP}} \times 100$$

$$\text{Loss} = \text{CP} - \text{SP}$$

$$\text{Percentage Loss} = \frac{\text{Loss}}{\text{CP}} \times 100$$

10. Interest

$$\text{Simple Interest} = \frac{\text{Principal} \times \text{Rate} \times \text{Time}}{100} = \frac{P \times R \times N}{100}$$

$$\text{Compound Interest} = P \times \left(1 + \frac{R}{100}\right)^N - P$$

$$\text{Amount} = \text{Principal} + \text{Interest}$$

11. Averages

$$\text{Simple Average} = \frac{\text{Sum of elements}}{\text{Number of elements}}$$

$$\text{Weighted Average} = \frac{w_1a_1 + w_2a_2 + \dots + w_na_n}{w_1 + w_2 + \dots + w_n}$$

12. Successive Replacement

$$\frac{\text{Quantity of milk remaining after } n\text{th replacement}}{\text{Quantity of total mixture}} = \left(\frac{x-y}{x}\right)^n$$

Where x is the original quantity, y is the quantity that is replaced and n is the number of times the replacement process is carried out.

13. Proportions

If $a : b :: c : d$ or $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d}$, then:

$$\frac{a}{c} = \frac{b}{d} \quad \dots \text{Alternendo Law}$$

$$\frac{b}{a} = \frac{d}{c} \quad \dots \text{Invertendo Law}$$

$$\frac{a+b}{b} = \frac{c+d}{d}$$

$$\frac{a-b}{b} = \frac{c-d}{d}$$

$$\frac{a+b}{a} = \frac{c+d}{c} \quad \dots \text{ Componendo and Dividendo Law}$$

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d} = \frac{e}{f} = \dots = k, \text{ then } a+c+e+\dots = k(b+d+f+\dots)$$

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d} = \frac{e}{f} = \dots = k, \text{ and } p, q, r \text{ are real numbers, then}$$

$$\frac{pa^n + qc^n + re^n + \dots}{pb^n + qd^n + rf^n + \dots} = kn$$

14. Quadratic formulae

The roots of the quadratic equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$; $a \neq 0$ are $\frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$

The solution set of the equation is $\left\{ \frac{-b + \sqrt{\Delta}}{2a}, \frac{-b - \sqrt{\Delta}}{2a} \right\}$,

where $\Delta = \text{discriminant} = b^2 - 4ac$

The roots are real and distinct if $\Delta > 0$

The roots are real and coincident if $\Delta = 0$

The roots are non-real if $\Delta < 0$

If α and β are the roots of the equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$, $a \neq 0$ then

i.) $\alpha + \beta = -\frac{b}{a}$ — co-efficient of x

ii.) $\alpha \cdot \beta = \frac{c}{a}$ — constant term

The quadratic equation whose roots are α and β is $(x - \alpha)(x - \beta) = 0$

i.e., $x^2 - (\alpha + \beta)x + \alpha\beta = 0$

i.e., $x^2 - Sx + P = 0$ where $S = \text{Sum of the roots}$ and $P = \text{Product of the roots}$.

15. Numbers

Let N be a composite number such that $N = a^p \cdot b^q \cdot c^r \dots$ where a, b, c are prime factors of N and p, q, r are positive integers.

The number of factors of a number N is given by the expression :

$$(p + 1)(q + 1)(r + 1) \dots$$

Number of ways of expressing N as a product of two factors is given by :

$$\frac{1}{2} \{(p + 1)(q + 1)(r + 1) \dots\}$$

If N is a perfect square, then the number of ways of expressing it as a product of two factors is given by following two rules:

(a) as a product of two DIFFERENT factors: $\frac{1}{2} \{(p+1)(q+1)(r+1)\dots - 1\}$
ways (excluding $\sqrt{N} \times \sqrt{N}$).

(b) as a product of two factors (including $\sqrt{N} \times \sqrt{N}$):

$$\frac{1}{2} \{(p + 1)(q + 1)(r + 1) \dots + 1\} \text{ ways.}$$

Sum of all the factors of N including 1 and the number itself is given by:

$$\left(\frac{a^{p+1}-1}{a-1}\right) \left(\frac{b^{q+1}-1}{b-1}\right) \left(\frac{c^{r+1}-1}{c-1}\right) \dots$$

Number of ways of writing N as a product of two co-primes is 2^{n-1} where n is the number of distinct prime factors of the given number N .

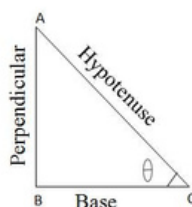
Number of co-primes to N that are less than N is represented by $\phi(N)$ given by:

$$\phi(N) = N \left(1 - \frac{1}{a}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{b}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{c}\right) \dots$$

Sum of co-primes to N that are less than N is $\frac{N}{2} \phi(N)$.

16. Trigonometry

Consider the right angle triangle ABC :



$$\sin \theta = \frac{\text{Perpendicular}}{\text{Hypotenuse}} = \frac{AB}{AC}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\text{Base}}{\text{Hypotenuse}} = \frac{BC}{AC}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{\text{Perpendicular}}{\text{Base}} = \frac{AB}{BC}$$

$$\operatorname{cosec} \theta = \frac{1}{\sin \theta}$$

$$\sec \theta = \frac{1}{\cos \theta}$$

$$\cot\theta = \frac{1}{\tan\theta}$$

θ	$\sin\theta$	$\cos\theta$	$\tan\theta$	$\operatorname{cosec}\theta$	$\sec\theta$	$\cot\theta$
0°	0	1	0	∞	1	∞
30°	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$	2	$\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$	$\sqrt{3}$
45°	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$	1	$\sqrt{2}$	$\sqrt{2}$	1
60°	$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\sqrt{3}$	$\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$	2	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$
90°	1	0	∞	1	∞	0

Standard Identities: $\sin^2\theta + \cos^2\theta = 1$

$$1 + \tan^2\theta = \sec^2\theta$$

$$1 + \cot^2\theta = \operatorname{cosec}^2\theta$$

Addition and subtraction formulae:

$$\sin(x + y) = \sin x \cos y + \cos x \sin y$$

$$\sin(x - y) = \sin x \cos y - \cos x \sin y$$

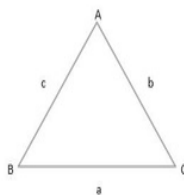
$$\cos(x + y) = \cos x \cos y - \sin x \sin y$$

$$\cos(x - y) = \cos x \cos y + \sin x \sin y$$

$$\tan(x + y) = \frac{\tan x + \tan y}{1 - \tan x \tan y}$$

$$\tan(x - y) = \frac{\tan x - \tan y}{1 + \tan x \tan y}$$

Sine rule and Co-sine rule:



Sine Rule:

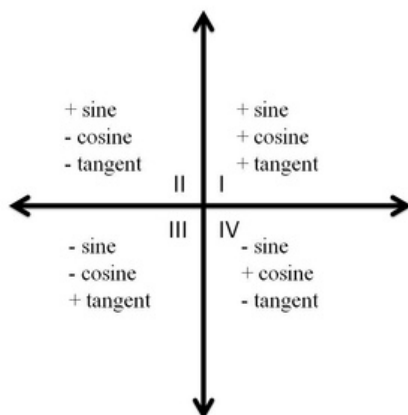
$$\frac{\sin A}{a} = \frac{\sin B}{b} = \frac{\sin C}{c}$$

Cosine-rule:

$$\cos A = \frac{b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{2bc}$$

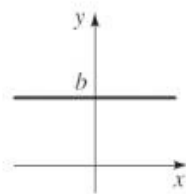
$$\cos B = \frac{a^2 + c^2 - b^2}{2ac}$$

$$\cos C = \frac{a^2 + b^2 - c^2}{2ab}$$

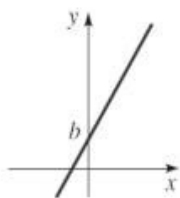


17. Graphs of some standard functions

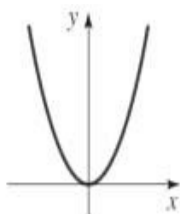
Constant function: $f(x) = b$



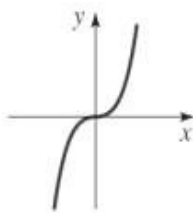
Linear function: $f(x) = mx + b$



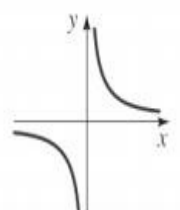
Power function: $f(x) = x^2$



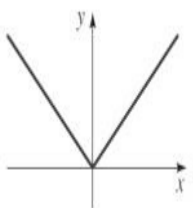
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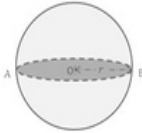
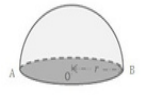
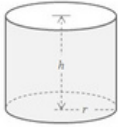
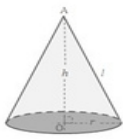
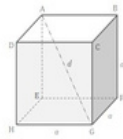
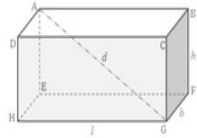
Reciprocal function: $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$



Modulus function: $f(x) = |x|$



18. Mensuration Formulae

Geometric Object	Volume	Total Surface Area	Curved/Lateral Surface Area
 Sphere	$\frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$	$4\pi r^2$	$4\pi r^2$
 Hemisphere	$\frac{2}{3}\pi r^3$	$3\pi r^2$	$2\pi r^2$
 Cylinder	$\pi r^2 h$	$2\pi r(r+h)$	$2\pi r h$
 Cone	$\frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 h$	$\pi r(r+l)$	$\pi r l$
 Cube	a^3	$6a^2$	$4a^2$
 Cuboid	$l b h$	$2(lb + bh + lh)$	$2(lh + bh)$

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