

GMAT Arithmetic Formulas PDF



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- Integers $\in \{...-5, -4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5...\}$
- If integer a is divisible by b, then a = nb, i.e n is a natural number.
- a is a multiple of b; b is a divisor/factor of a.
- a = nb + q
- a = dividend
- n = quotient
- b = divisor
- q = reminder

Ex:
$$29 = 4*7+1$$

- Even integer → divisible by 2
- Odd integer → not divisible by 2
- Odd \pm Odd = Even
- Even \pm Even = Even
- Odd +Even = Odd
- Even +Odd = Odd
- Odd*Odd = Odd
- Odd*Even = Even
- Even*Even = Even
- $(odd)^n = odd$
- $(even)^n = even$

- Prime Number→has 2 Factors only (1 and itself). Ex 2,3,5,7...
- Composite Number→have more than 2 factors.
- 1 ∋ neither nor composite
- 2 prime (only even number)
- $1 \times n = n \times 1 = n$
- n/1 = n
- n + 0 = n 0 = n
- Divisible by 0 is not allowed
- Fractions $\rightarrow \frac{n}{2} \Rightarrow d \neq 0$

n = numerator, d =denomination

• if $\frac{n_1}{d_1} = \frac{n_2}{d_2}$, they are equivalent fractions.

• Addition and subtraction of fractions

$$\frac{13}{5} + \frac{14}{5} = \frac{13+14}{5} = \frac{27}{5}$$

$$\frac{6}{7} - \frac{3}{7} = \frac{6-3}{7} = \frac{3}{7}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{4} = \frac{4+2*3}{2*4} = \frac{10}{8} = \frac{5}{4}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{4} = \frac{2*3}{4(LCM)} = \frac{5}{4}$$

• Multiplication and division of fractions

$$\frac{2}{13}$$
X $\frac{7}{9}$ = $\frac{2x7}{13x9}$ = $\frac{14}{117}$

$$\frac{2}{5} \div \frac{3}{4} = \frac{2}{5} \times \frac{4}{3} = \frac{2x4}{5x3} = \frac{8}{15}$$

• Mixed Fraction
$$\rightarrow 17\frac{1}{4} = 17 + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{17x4+1}{4} = \frac{69}{4}$$

- Decimal = 364.57
- 1.3+2.6 = 3.9 (Addition with carry forward)
- 1.3 x 2.6 = 0.26 (Decimal Has as many digits after it as the sum of that of the 2 numbers)

•
$$5\sqrt{1.7} = 0.34$$

• Real Numbers \rightarrow +ve,o,-ve



Absolute Value → The number without sign

•
$$|x| = x$$
 if x is positive
= $-x$ if x negative

$$\bullet \quad X + y = y + X$$

•
$$a + (b+c) = (a+b)+c = b + (a+c)$$

•
$$(ab)d = a(bd) = b(ad)$$

•
$$xy+yz = y(x+z)$$

•
$$(-ve) + (-ve) = (-ve)$$

•
$$(+ve) \times (+ve) = (+ve)$$

$$\bullet \quad (-\text{ve}) \times (-\text{ve}) = (+\text{ve})$$

$$\bullet$$
 $x \times 0 = 0$

$$\bullet |x + y| \le |x| + |y|$$

•
$$2:3 = \frac{2}{3} = 0.67$$

(Ratio can be represented in these ways)

• If a value x is greater than 100% of a value y, x>y

$$130\% = \frac{130}{100} = 1.3$$

$$130\%$$
 of y = $1.3y$

• If a value x is less than 1% of y

$$x < \frac{1}{100}y$$

- Percentage change = $\frac{change in value}{Initial value} \times 100\%$
- If x becomes y, % change = $\frac{|y-x|}{x} \times 100\%$
- If y > x, % increase, else % decrease

• Successive % change of a% and b% = $(a+b+\frac{ab}{100})$ %

so, if 100 increases by 20% and then 30%, %

increase =
$$(20+30+\frac{20x30}{100})=56\%$$

$$\Rightarrow a^b = a \times a \times a \times \dots (upto \ b \ times)$$

$$\Rightarrow 5^3 = 5 \times 5 \times 5$$

$$\Rightarrow (-5)^3 = -5 \times -5 \times -5$$

$$\Rightarrow (0.5)^3 = 0.5 \times 0.5 \times 0.5$$

- $a^2 \rightarrow a squared$
- $(n)^{even}$ = Positive (if n is positive) = Positive (if n is negative)

- (n)^{odd} = Positive (if n is positive)
 = Negative (if n is negative)
- Square root = $\sqrt{a} \rightarrow a \ cannot \ be \ negative$

•
$$\sqrt{25} = \sqrt{5^2} = 5$$

$$a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n$$
• Mean = Average =
$$\frac{a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n}{a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n}$$

 Median is the middle number of a list when arranged in ascending/descending order

(It is the average of the middle 2 numbers if the number of numbers is even)

→ Mode - The most frequent number in a list

$$\rightarrow |A \cup B| = |A| + |B| - |A \cap B|$$

$$\rightarrow$$
 n! = n(n-1)(n-2).....!

$$\rightarrow$$
 0! = 1! = 1

→
$$P(E) = \frac{The number of favourable outcomes}{The total number of outcomes}$$

$$\rightarrow$$
 P(A or B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A) P(B)

(If A & B are not mutually exclusive)



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