

The expression of binomial formula $(a + b)^n$ when n is a prime

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Abstract

We give the expression of binomial formula $(a + b)^n$ when n is a prime number.

The binomial formula :

$$(a + b)^n = a^n + na^{n-1}b + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!}a^{n-2}b^2 + \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{3!}a^{n-3}b^3 + \dots + b^n$$

If n is a prime number, $n = p > 3$, we obtain:

$$(a + b)^p = a^p + b^p + pab(a + b)(a^2 + ab + b^2)M_{a,b}$$

$M_{a,b}$: Polynomial(a,b) of degree $p - 5$

For $p = 5$:

$$(a + b)^5 = a^5 + b^5 + 5ab(a + b)(a^2 + ab + b^2)$$

For $p = 7$:

$$(a + b)^7 = a^7 + b^7 + 7ab(a + b)(a^2 + ab + b^2)(a^2 + ab + b^2) = a^7 + b^7 + 5ab(a + b)(a^2 + ab + b^2)^2$$

For $p = 11$:

$$(a + b)^{11} = a^{11} + b^{11} + 11ab(a + b)(a^2 + ab + b^2)(a^6 + 3a^5b + 7a^4b^2 + 9a^3b^3 + 7a^2b^4 + 3ab^5 + b^6)$$

$$(a + b)^{11} = a^{11} + b^{11} + 11ab(a + b)(a^2 + ab + b^2)((a^2 + ab + b^2)^3 + a^2b^2(a + b)^2)$$

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

$$= (a^2 - ab + b^2)^3 + 6(a^2 - ab + b^2)^2ab + 12(a^2 - ab + b^2)a^2b^2 + 8a^3b^3 + a^2b^2(a^2 - ab + b^2) + 3a^3b^3$$

$$= (a^2 - ab + b^2)[(a^2 - ab + b^2)^2 + 6(a^2 - ab + b^2)ab + 13a^2b^2] + 11a^3b^3$$

$$= (a^2 - ab + b^2)[(a^2 - ab + b^2 + 3ab)^2 + 4a^2b^2] + 11a^3b^3$$

$$= (a^2 - ab + b^2)[(a + b)^4 + 4a^2b^2] + 11a^3b^3$$

is not divisible by 11 (since $11 = 3n + 2, 4m + 3$)

For $p = 13$:

$$(a + b)^{13} = a^{13} + b^{13} + 13ab(a + b)(a^2 + ab + b^2)(a^8 + 4a^7b + 12a^6b^2 + 22a^5b^3 + 27a^4b^4 + 22a^3b^5 + 22a^2b^6 + 4ab^7 + b^8)$$

$$(a+b)^{13} = a^{13} + b^{13} + 13ab(a+b)(a^2+ab+b^2)^2(a^6+3a^5b+8a^4b^2+11a^3b^3+8a^2b^4+3ab^5+b^6)$$

For $p = 17$:

$$(a+b)^{17} = a^{17} + b^{17} + 17ab[a^{15} + b^{15} + 8(a^{14}b + ab^{14}) + 40(a^{13}b^2 + a^2b^{13}) + 140(a^{12}b^3 + a^3b^{12}) + 28.13(a^{11}b^4 + a^4b^{11}) + 28.26(a^{10}b^5 + a^5b^{10}) + 26.44(a^9b^6 + a^6b^9) + 13.11.10(a^8b^7 + a^7b^8)]$$

$$(a+b)^{17} = a^{17} + b^{17} + 17ab(a+b)(a^2+ab+b^2)[a^{12} + b^{12} + 6(a^{11}b + ab^{11}) + 26(a^{10}b^2 + a^2b^{10}) + 75(a^9b^3 + a^3b^9) + 156(a^8b^4 + a^4b^8) + 240(a^7b^5 + a^5b^7) + 277a^6b^6]$$

Proof:

We have:

$$(a+b)^5 = a^5 + b^5 + 5ab(a+b)(a^2+ab+b^2)$$

In other words a^2+ab+b^2 is a factor of $(a+b)^5 - (a^5+b^5)$

1. $p = 3m + 1$

$$p = 3m + 1 \Leftrightarrow p = 6k + 7$$

$$\begin{aligned} (a+b)^p &= (a+b)^{2(3k+1)}(a+b)^5 = (a^2+2ab+b^2)^{3k+1}(a+b)^5 \\ &= (a^2+ab+b^2+ab)^{3k+1}(a+b)^5 = [(a^2+ab+b^2)N + a^{3k+1}b^{3k+1}](a+b)^5 = (a^2+ab+b^2)N(a+b)^5 + a^{3k+1}b^{3k+1}(a+b)^5 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$a^p + b^p = a^{6k+7} + b^{6k+7} = (a^{3k+6} - b^{3k+6})(a^{3k+1} - b^{3k+1}) + a^{3k+1}b^{3k+1}(a^5 + b^5)$$

$$a^p + b^p = (a^{3(k+2)} - b^{3(k+2)})(a^{3k+1} - b^{3k+1}) + a^{3k+1}b^{3k+1}(a^5 + b^5)$$

$$a^{3(k+2)} - b^{3(k+2)} = (a^3 - b^3)L$$

$$\Rightarrow a^p + b^p = (a^3 - b^3)L(a^{3k+1} - b^{3k+1}) + a^{3k+1}b^{3k+1}(a^5 + b^5)$$

$$\Rightarrow (a+b)^p - (a^p + b^p) = (a^2+ab+b^2)N(a+b)^5 + a^{3k+1}b^{3k+1}(a+b)^5 - [(a^3 - b^3)L(a^{3k+1} - b^{3k+1}) + a^{3k+1}b^{3k+1}(a^5 + b^5)]$$

$$\Rightarrow (a+b)^p - (a^p + b^p) = (a^2+ab+b^2)N(a+b)^5 - (a^3 - b^3)L(a^{3k+1} - b^{3k+1}) + a^{3k+1}b^{3k+1}(a+b)^5 - a^{3k+1}b^{3k+1}(a^5 + b^5)$$

$$\Rightarrow (a+b)^p - (a^p + b^p) = (a^2+ab+b^2)N(a+b)^5 - (a^3 - b^3)L(a^{3k+1} - b^{3k+1}) + a^{3k+1}b^{3k+1}[(a+b)^5 - (a^5 + b^5)]$$

$(a^2+ab+b^2)N(a+b)^5$, $(a^3 - b^3)L(a^{3k+1} - b^{3k+1})$, $a^{3k+1}b^{3k+1}[(a+b)^5 - (a^5 + b^5)]$ have a common factor a^2+ab+b^2 , hence $(a+b)^p - (a^p + b^p)$ has the factor a^2+ab+b^2

2. $p = 3n + 2$

$$p = 3n + 2 \Rightarrow p = 6k + 5$$

$$(a+b)^p = (a+b)^{6k}(a+b)^5 = (a^2+2ab+b^2)^{3k}(a+b)^5$$

$$= (a^2+ab+b^2+ab)^{3k}(a+b)^5 = [(a^2+ab+b^2)N + a^{3k}b^{3k}](a+b)^5 = (a^2+ab+b^2)N(a+b)^5 + a^{3k}b^{3k}(a+b)^5$$

and

$$a^p + b^p = a^{6k+5} + b^{6k+5} = (a^{3k+5} - b^{3k+5})(a^{3k} - b^{3k}) + a^{3k}b^{3k}(a^5 + b^5)$$

$$a^p + b^p = (a^{3k+5} - b^{3k+5})(a^{3k} - b^{3k}) + a^{3k}b^{3k}(a^5 + b^5)$$

$$a^{3k} - b^{3k} = (a^3 - b^3)L$$

$$\Rightarrow a^p + b^p = (a^3 - b^3)L(a^{3k+5} - b^{3k+5}) + a^{3k}b^{3k}(a^5 + b^5)$$

$$\Rightarrow (a+b)^p - (a^p + b^p) = (a^2 + ab + b^2)N(a+b)^5 + a^{3k}b^{3k}(a+b)^5 - [(a^3 - b^3)L(a^{3k+5} - b^{3k+5}) + a^{3k}b^{3k}(a^5 + b^5)]$$

$$\Rightarrow (a+b)^p - (a^p + b^p) = (a^2 + ab + b^2)N(a+b)^5 - (a^3 - b^3)L(a^{3k+5} - b^{3k+5}) + a^{3k}b^{3k}(a+b)^5 - a^{3k}b^{3k}(a^5 + b^5)]$$

$$\Rightarrow (a+b)^p - (a^p + b^p) = (a^2 + ab + b^2)N(a+b)^5 - (a^3 - b^3)L(a^{3k+5} - b^{3k+5}) + a^{3k}b^{3k}[(a+b)^5 - (a^5 + b^5)]$$

$(a^2 + ab + b^2)N(a+b)^5, (a^3 - b^3)L(a^{3k+5} - b^{3k+5}), a^{3k}b^{3k}[(a+b)^5 - (a^5 + b^5)]$ have a common factor $a^2 + ab + b^2$, hence $(a+b)^p - (a^p + b^p)$ has the factor $a^2 + ab + b^2$

It is easy to show that p, a, b and $(a+b)$ are the factors of $(a+b)^p - (a^p + b^p)$, finally we obtain:

$$(a+b)^p = a^p + b^p + pab(a+b)(a^2 + ab + b^2)M_{a,b}$$

Note that if $a, b = 1$ then $a, b, (a+b), (a^2 + ab + b^2) = 1$

We also get:

$$a^p + b^p = (a+b)^p - pab(a+b)(a^2 + ab + b^2)M_{a,b}$$

$$a^p + b^p = (a+b)[(a+b)^{p-1} - pab(a^2 + ab + b^2)M_{a,b}]$$

$$a^{p-1} - a^{p-2}b + a^{p-3}b^2 - \dots + b^{p-1} = (a+b)^{p-1} - pab(a^2 + ab + b^2)M_{a,b}$$

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