

when $n=1$, they become
 $(x-y)(ab+xy)$, $(a-b)(ab+xy)$
 and when $n=2$, we get
 $(x-y)(abx+y - xy a+b)$
 $(a-b)(xy a+b - ab x+y)$

6. Let $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d} = x$

$\therefore a = bx, c = dx.$

then substitute these values for a, c , and the equality is established.

7. Let $\frac{a}{b} = x, \frac{c}{d} < x$

$\therefore a = bx, c < dx$ (1)

$\therefore a + c < (b + d)x$

$\therefore \frac{a+c}{b+d} < x \therefore < \frac{a}{b}$

similarly $\frac{a+c}{b+d}$ can be proved to be greater

than $\frac{c}{d}$

again, from (1) $ac < bdx^2$

$\therefore \frac{ac}{bd} < x^2$

$\therefore$ sq. rt. of $\frac{ac}{bd} < x \therefore < \frac{a}{b}$

and similarly it may be proved $> \frac{c}{d}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a+c}{b+d} &> \frac{\sqrt{ac}}{\sqrt{bd}} \\ \text{if } \frac{(a+c)^2}{ac} &> \frac{(b+d)^2}{bd} \\ \text{if } \frac{a}{c} + \frac{c}{a} &> \frac{b}{d} + \frac{d}{b} \\ \text{if } \frac{a}{c} - \frac{b}{d} &> \frac{d}{b} - \frac{c}{d} \\ \text{if } \frac{a}{c} - \frac{b}{d} &> \frac{\frac{a}{c} - \frac{b}{d}}{\frac{ab}{cd}} \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

if $1 > \frac{cd}{ab}$ and $\frac{a}{c} > \frac{b}{d}$

if $\frac{a}{c} > \frac{d}{b}$ and $\frac{a}{c} > \frac{b}{d}$

or (1) holds if

$\frac{a}{c} < \frac{b}{d}$ and $1 < \frac{cd}{ab}$

if $\frac{a}{c} < \frac{b}{d}$ and $\frac{a}{c} < \frac{d}{b}$

i. e. if $\frac{a}{c}$ does not lie between

$\frac{b}{d}$ and $\frac{d}{b}$

8. Let the last of these ratios $= r$

then the next to the last $= r^2$

" " " this $= r^3$, &c.

$\therefore$ the first ratio $=$ last ratio raised to the power 2^{n-1} .

9. Let $a = m\sqrt{b}$, and $c = n\sqrt{b}$.

$\therefore a^2 = m^2 b, \therefore a^2 c^2 = m^2 n^2 b^2$

$\therefore ac = mn b$

$\therefore ac$ varies as b^2 .

10. 1, 1.

11. $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$

$\therefore$ in order that these values of x may be positive integers, $b^2 - 4ac$ must be a complete square, z^2 suppose,

$\therefore x = \frac{b \pm z}{2a}$

$\therefore$ also $b + z$ and $b - z$ must be multiples of $2a$ and b and a must have different signs.

$$\begin{aligned} 13. & \frac{(H-a)(H-b)}{G^2} \\ &= \frac{H^2 - a + bH + ab}{G^2} \\ &= \frac{H^2}{G^2} - \frac{a}{G^2} + \frac{bH}{G^2} + \frac{ab}{G^2} \\ &= \frac{H}{A} - \frac{a}{A} + 1, \text{ since } G^2 = AH. \end{aligned}$$