

Answer on Question #34146 – Math – Algebra

Kindly tell me how to solve $(1+0.075)^{10}$

Solution

We use the Binomial Theorem as follows:

$$(a + b)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} a^{n-k} b^k, \quad (1)$$

where

$$\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}, \quad n! = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot \dots \cdot (n-1) \cdot n$$

In this question

$$a = 1, b = 0.075, n = 10, k = 0; 1; 2; 3; 4; 5; 6; 7; 8; 9; 10. \quad (2)$$

Calculate

$$\binom{10}{0} = \frac{10!}{0!10!} = 1, \binom{10}{1} = \frac{10!}{1!(10-1)!} = \frac{10!}{9!} = 10, \binom{10}{2} = \frac{10!}{2!(10-2)!} = \frac{10!}{2!8!} = \frac{10 \cdot 9}{2} = 5 \cdot 9 = 45,$$

$$\binom{10}{3} = \frac{10!}{3!(10-3)!} = \frac{10!}{3!7!} = \frac{10 \cdot 9 \cdot 8}{3 \cdot 2} = \frac{720}{6} = 120, \binom{10}{4} = \frac{10!}{4!(10-4)!} = \frac{10!}{4!6!} = \frac{10 \cdot 9 \cdot 8 \cdot 7}{4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2} = 210,$$

$$\binom{10}{5} = \frac{10!}{5!(10-5)!} = \frac{10!}{5!5!} = \frac{10 \cdot 9 \cdot 8 \cdot 7 \cdot 6}{5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2} = 252.$$

Apply the property $\binom{n}{m} = \binom{n}{n-m}$ to calculate other binomial coefficients:

$$\binom{10}{6} = \binom{10}{10-6} = \binom{10}{4} = 210, \binom{10}{7} = \binom{10}{10-7} = \binom{10}{3} = 120, \binom{10}{8} = \binom{10}{10-8} = \binom{10}{2} = 45, \\ \binom{10}{9} = \binom{10}{10-9} = \binom{10}{1} = 10, \binom{10}{10} = \binom{10}{10-10} = \binom{10}{0} = 1,$$

Plug (2) into (1) and obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (1 + 0.075)^{10} &= \binom{10}{0} 1^{10-0} 0.075^0 + \binom{10}{1} 1^{10-1} 0.075^1 + \binom{10}{2} 1^{10-2} 0.075^2 + \binom{10}{3} 1^{10-3} 0.075^3 + \\ &+ \binom{10}{4} 1^{10-4} 0.075^4 + \binom{10}{5} 1^{10-5} 0.075^5 + \binom{10}{6} 1^{10-6} 0.075^6 + \binom{10}{7} 1^{10-7} 0.075^7 + \\ &+ \binom{10}{8} 1^{10-8} 0.075^8 + \binom{10}{9} 1^{10-9} 0.075^9 + \binom{10}{10} 1^{10-10} 0.075^{10} = \\ &= 1 + 10 \cdot 0.075 + 45 \cdot 0.075^2 + 120 \cdot 0.075^3 + 210 \cdot 0.075^4 + 252 \cdot 0.075^5 + 210 \cdot 0.075^6 + \\ &+ 120 \cdot 0.075^7 + 45 \cdot 0.075^8 + 10 \cdot 0.075^9 + 0.075^{10} = 2.061032 \end{aligned}$$