

New Formula for Interval Numbers with Powers of Positive Rational Numbers and Its Properties

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Abstract. Development of interval numbers have shown various beliefs regarding the arithmetic and the formulas, one of them is regarding interval numbers with powers. However, there is a deficiency regarding further use for the previous formula of interval number \tilde{a} with power k where k is a positive integer, that is the basic characteristic of exponents does not apply such as $\tilde{a}^k \otimes \tilde{a}^l \neq \tilde{a}^{k+l}$. There are some multiplication formulas for interval numbers, but the result of multiplication of an interval number with its invers is not equal to $\tilde{I} = [1,1]$. Therefore, this article will establish a new formula for interval numbers with powers of positive integers using the new formula of multiplication for interval numbers so that $\tilde{a}^k \otimes \tilde{a}^l = \tilde{a}^{k+l}$ apply. Based on this new formula of interval numbers with positive integer powers, formula for interval numbers with fractional powers will also be construct along with the properties that apply to this formula.

Keywords: Interval arithmetic, Powers of interval number

1 Introduction

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- v. $\frac{\tilde{a}}{\tilde{b}} = \tilde{a} \otimes \frac{1}{\tilde{b}}$
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$$\tilde{a} = [\underline{a}, \bar{a}]$$

Therefore, $P(1)$ is true dan $1 \in S$. Next, we assume that $P(k)$ is true and wish to infer from this assumption that $P(k + 1)$ is also true. If $k \in S$, then

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&\quad - m(\tilde{a}^p) m(\tilde{a}^q), \left(\overline{p\tilde{a}} \cdot m(\tilde{a}^{p-1}) - (p-1) \cdot m(\tilde{a}^p) \right) m(\tilde{a}^q) \\
&\quad \left. + \left(\overline{q\tilde{a}} \cdot m(\tilde{a}^{q-1}) - (q-1) \cdot m(\tilde{a}^q) \right) m(\tilde{a}^p) - m(\tilde{a}^p) m(\tilde{a}^q) \right] \\
&= \left[\left(\underline{p\tilde{a}} \cdot m(\tilde{a}^{p-1}) \cdot m(\tilde{a}^q) - (p-1) \cdot m(\tilde{a}^p) \cdot m(\tilde{a}^q) + \underline{q\tilde{a}} \cdot m(\tilde{a}^{q-1}) \cdot m(\tilde{a}^p) \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. - (q-1) \cdot m(\tilde{a}^q) \cdot m(\tilde{a}^p) - m(\tilde{a}^p) m(\tilde{a}^q), \overline{p\tilde{a}} \cdot m(\tilde{a}^{p-1}) \cdot m(\tilde{a}^q) \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. - (p-1) \cdot m(\tilde{a}^p) \cdot m(\tilde{a}^q) + \overline{q\tilde{a}} \cdot m(\tilde{a}^{q-1}) \cdot m(\tilde{a}^p) \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. - (q-1) \cdot m(\tilde{a}^q) \cdot m(\tilde{a}^p) - m(\tilde{a}^p) m(\tilde{a}^q) \right] \right] \\
&= \left[\left(\underline{p\tilde{a}} \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{p-1+q} - (p-1) \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{p+q} + \underline{q\tilde{a}} \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{p-1+q} - (q-1) \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{p+q} - m(\tilde{a})^{p+q}, \overline{p\tilde{a}} \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{p-1+q} - (p-1) \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{p+q} \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. + \overline{q\tilde{a}} \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{p-1+q} - (q-1) \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{p+q} - m(\tilde{a})^{p+q} \right] \right] \\
&= \left[(p+q) \cdot \underline{a} m(\tilde{a})^{p-1+q} - (p+q-1) \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{p+q}, (p+q) \cdot \overline{a} m(\tilde{a})^{p-1+q} \right. \\
&\quad \left. - (p+q-1) \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{p+q} \right] \\
&= \tilde{a}^{p+q}
\end{aligned}$$

3.2 Interval Numbers with Positive Fractional Powers

Theorem 3.2.1 Let \tilde{x} be any interval number and a, b are positive integers, then

$$\tilde{x}^{\frac{a}{b}} = \left[\frac{\underline{a\tilde{x}} + (b-a)m(\tilde{x})}{b \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{a}{b}}}, \frac{\overline{a\tilde{x}} + (b-a)m(\tilde{x})}{b \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{a}{b}}} \right]$$

Proof :

We will use induction method. Let S be a set where $P(n)$ is true for $n \in \mathbb{Q}^+$. If $n = 1$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
\tilde{x} &= \left[\frac{1 \cdot \underline{x} + (1-1)m(\tilde{x})}{1 \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-1}}, \frac{1 \cdot \overline{x} + (1-1)m(\tilde{x})}{1 \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-1}} \right] \\
\tilde{x} &= [\underline{x}, \overline{x}]
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $P(1)$ is true dan $1 \in S$. Next, we assume that $P(k)$ is true and wish to infer from this assumption that $P(k+1)$ is also true. If $k \in S$ where $k = \frac{c}{d}$, then

$$\tilde{x}^{\frac{c}{d}} = \left[\frac{\underline{c\tilde{x}} + (d-c)m(\tilde{x})}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}}}, \frac{\overline{c\tilde{x}} + (d-c)m(\tilde{x})}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}}} \right]$$

If we multiply \tilde{x} to both sides, then

$$\begin{aligned}
\tilde{x}^{\frac{c}{d}} \otimes \tilde{x} &= \left[\frac{c\underline{x} + (d-c)m(\tilde{x})}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}}}, \frac{c\bar{x} + (d-c)m(\tilde{x})}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}}} \right] \otimes \tilde{x} \\
&= \left[\left(\frac{c\underline{x} + (d-c)m(\tilde{x})}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}}} \right) m(\tilde{x}) + \underline{x} \cdot m\left(\tilde{x}^{\frac{c}{d}}\right) - m\left(\tilde{x}^{\frac{c}{d}}\right) \right. \\
&\quad \cdot m(\tilde{x}), \left. \left(\frac{c\bar{x} + (d-c)m(\tilde{x})}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}}} \right) m(\tilde{x}) + \bar{x} \cdot m\left(\tilde{x}^{\frac{c}{d}}\right) - m\left(\tilde{x}^{\frac{c}{d}}\right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. \cdot m(\tilde{x}) \right] \\
&= \left[\left(\frac{1}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}}} \right) c\underline{x}m(\tilde{x}) + (d-c)m(\tilde{x})^2 + \underline{x}d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{\frac{c}{d}}m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}} - d \right. \\
&\quad \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{\frac{c}{d}+1}m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}}, \left. \left(\frac{1}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}}} \right) c\bar{x}m(\tilde{x}) + (d-c)m(\tilde{x})^2 \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \bar{x}d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{\frac{c}{d}}m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}} - d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{\frac{c}{d}+1}m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}} \right] \\
&= \left[\left(\frac{1}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}}} \right) c\underline{x}m(\tilde{x}) + (d-c)m(\tilde{x})^2 + \underline{x}d \cdot m(\tilde{x}) - d \right. \\
&\quad \cdot m(\tilde{x})^2, \left. \left(\frac{1}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}}} \right) c\bar{x}m(\tilde{x}) + (d-c)m(\tilde{x})^2 + \bar{x}d \cdot m(\tilde{x}) \right. \\
&\quad \left. - d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^2 \right] \\
&= \left[\left(\frac{(c+d) \cdot \underline{x} + (d-(c+d))m(\tilde{x})}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{-\frac{c}{d}}} \right), \left(\frac{(c+d) \cdot \bar{x} + (d-(c+d))m(\tilde{x})}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{-\frac{c}{d}}} \right) \right] \\
&= \left[\left(\frac{(c+d) \cdot \underline{x} + (d-(c+d))m(\tilde{x})}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{(c+d)}{d}}} \right), \left(\frac{(c+d) \cdot \bar{x} + (d-(c+d))m(\tilde{x})}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{(c+d)}{d}}} \right) \right] \\
&= \tilde{x}^{\frac{c+d}{d}} \\
&= \tilde{x}^{\frac{c}{d}+1}
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $P(k+1)$ is true and $(k+1) \in S$. Next, we assume that $P(k-1)$ is also true where $k = \frac{c}{d}$. To prove this, we will use invers formula of interval numbers.

$$\tilde{x}^{\frac{c}{d}} \otimes \tilde{x}^{-1} = \left[\frac{c\underline{x} + (d-c)m(\tilde{x})}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}}}, \frac{c\bar{x} + (d-c)m(\tilde{x})}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}}} \right] \otimes \left[\frac{2 \cdot m(\tilde{x}) - \underline{x}}{m(\tilde{x})^2}, \frac{2 \cdot m(\tilde{x}) - \bar{x}}{m(\tilde{x})^2} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \left[\left(\frac{c\underline{x} + (d-c)m(\tilde{x})}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}}} \right) m(\tilde{x}^{-1}) + \left(\frac{2 \cdot m(\tilde{x}) - \underline{x}}{m(\tilde{x})^2} \right) m\left(\tilde{x}^{\frac{c}{d}}\right) - m\left(\tilde{x}^{\frac{c}{d}}\right) \right. \\
&\quad \cdot m(\tilde{x}^{-1}), \left. \left(\frac{c\bar{x} + (d-c)m(\tilde{x})}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}}} \right) m(\tilde{x}^{-1}) + \left(\frac{2 \cdot m(\tilde{x}) - \bar{x}}{m(\tilde{x})^2} \right) m\left(\tilde{x}^{\frac{c}{d}}\right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. - m\left(\tilde{x}^{\frac{c}{d}}\right) \cdot m(\tilde{x}^{-1}) \right] \\
&= \left[\frac{c\underline{x} \cdot m(\tilde{x}^{-1}) + (d-c)m(\tilde{x}) \cdot m(\tilde{x}^{-1})}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}}} + \frac{2 \cdot m(\tilde{x})m\left(\tilde{x}^{\frac{c}{d}}\right) - \underline{x} \cdot m\left(\tilde{x}^{\frac{c}{d}}\right)}{m(\tilde{x})^2} \right. \\
&\quad \left. - m\left(\tilde{x}^{\frac{c}{d}}\right) \cdot m(\tilde{x}^{-1}), \frac{c\bar{x} \cdot m(\tilde{x}^{-1}) + (d-c)m(\tilde{x}) \cdot m(\tilde{x}^{-1})}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}}} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \frac{2 \cdot m(\tilde{x})m\left(\tilde{x}^{\frac{c}{d}}\right) - \bar{x} \cdot m\left(\tilde{x}^{\frac{c}{d}}\right)}{m(\tilde{x})^2} - m\left(\tilde{x}^{\frac{c}{d}}\right) \cdot m(\tilde{x}^{-1}) \right] \\
&= \left[\frac{c\underline{x} \cdot m(\tilde{x}^{-1})m(\tilde{x})^2 + (d-c)m(\tilde{x})m(\tilde{x}^{-1})m(\tilde{x})^2}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}} \cdot m(\tilde{x})^2} \right. \\
&\quad + \frac{2d \cdot m(\tilde{x})m\left(\tilde{x}^{\frac{c}{d}}\right)m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}} - d\underline{x} \cdot m\left(\tilde{x}^{\frac{c}{d}}\right)m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}}}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}} \cdot m(\tilde{x})^2} \\
&\quad - \frac{m\left(\tilde{x}^{\frac{c}{d}-1}\right) \cdot d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}} \cdot m(\tilde{x})^2}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}} \cdot m(\tilde{x})^2}, \frac{c\bar{x} \cdot m(\tilde{x}^{-1})m(\tilde{x})^2}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}} \cdot m(\tilde{x})^2} \\
&\quad + \frac{(d-c)m(\tilde{x})m(\tilde{x}^{-1})m(\tilde{x})^2}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}} \cdot m(\tilde{x})^2} \\
&\quad + \frac{2d \cdot m(\tilde{x})m\left(\tilde{x}^{\frac{c}{d}}\right)m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}} - d\bar{x} \cdot m\left(\tilde{x}^{\frac{c}{d}}\right)m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}}}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}} \cdot m(\tilde{x})^2} \\
&\quad \left. - \frac{m\left(\tilde{x}^{\frac{c}{d}-1}\right) \cdot d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}} \cdot m(\tilde{x})^2}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}} \cdot m(\tilde{x})^2} \right] \\
&= \left[\frac{c\underline{x} \cdot m(\tilde{x}) + (d-c)m(\tilde{x})^2 + 2d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^2 - d\underline{x} \cdot m(\tilde{x}) - d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^2}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}} \cdot m(\tilde{x})^2}, \right. \\
&\quad \left. \frac{c\bar{x} \cdot m(\tilde{x}) + (d-c)m(\tilde{x})^2 + 2d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^2 - d\bar{x} \cdot m(\tilde{x}) - d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^2}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}} \cdot m(\tilde{x})^2} \right]
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \left[\frac{\underline{x} \cdot m(\tilde{x})(c-d) + m(\tilde{x})^2(d-c+2d-d)}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}} \cdot m(\tilde{x})^2}, \frac{\bar{x} \cdot m(\tilde{x})(c-d) + m(\tilde{x})^2(d-c+2d-d)}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}} \cdot m(\tilde{x})^2} \right] \\
&= \left[\frac{\underline{x} \cdot (c-d) + m(\tilde{x})(d-(c-d))}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}} \cdot m(\tilde{x})}, \frac{\bar{x} \cdot m(\tilde{x})(c-d) + m(\tilde{x})^2(d-(c-d))}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}} \cdot m(\tilde{x})} \right] \\
&= \left[\frac{\underline{x} \cdot (c-d) + m(\tilde{x})(d-(c-d))}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-(\frac{c}{d}-1)}}, \frac{\bar{x} \cdot m(\tilde{x})(c-d) + m(\tilde{x})^2(d-(c-d))}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-(\frac{c}{d}-1)}} \right] \\
&= (\tilde{x})^{\frac{c-d}{d}} \\
&= (\tilde{x})^{\frac{c}{d}-1}
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $P(k-1)$ is true and $(k-1) \in S$. Based on principle of mathematical induction, this formula holds for all $n \in \mathbb{Q}^+$.

Theorem 3.2.2 Let \tilde{x} be any interval number and a, b are positive integers, then

$$m\left(\tilde{x}^{\frac{a}{b}}\right) = m(\tilde{x})^{\frac{a}{b}}$$

Proof :

$$\begin{aligned}
m\left(\tilde{x}^{\frac{a}{b}}\right) &= \frac{a\underline{x} + (b-a)m(\tilde{x}) + (b-a)m(\tilde{x})}{2b \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{a}{b}}} \\
&= \frac{a(\underline{x} + \bar{x}) + 2(b-a)m(\tilde{x})}{2b \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{a}{b}}} \\
&= \frac{am(\tilde{x})}{b \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{a}{b}}} + \frac{2bm(\tilde{x})}{2b \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{a}{b}}} - \frac{2am(\tilde{x})}{2b \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{a}{b}}} \\
&= \frac{a}{b}m(\tilde{x})^{\frac{a}{b}} + m(\tilde{x})^{\frac{a}{b}} - \frac{a}{b}m(\tilde{x})^{\frac{a}{b}} \\
&= m(\tilde{x})^{\frac{a}{b}}
\end{aligned}$$

Theorem 3.2.3 Let \tilde{x} be any interval number and a, b, c, d are positive integers, then

$$\tilde{x}^{\frac{a}{b}} \otimes \tilde{x}^{\frac{c}{d}} = \tilde{x}^{\frac{a+c}{b+d}}$$

Proof :

$$\begin{aligned}
\tilde{x}^{\frac{a}{b}} \otimes \tilde{x}^{\frac{c}{d}} &= \left[\frac{ax + (b-a)m(\tilde{x})}{b \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{a}{b}}}, \frac{a\bar{x} + (b-a)m(\tilde{x})}{b \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{a}{b}}} \right] \\
&\quad \otimes \left[\frac{cx + (d-c)m(\tilde{x})}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}}}, \frac{c\bar{x} + (d-c)m(\tilde{x})}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}}} \right] \\
&= \left[\left(\frac{ax + (b-a)m(\tilde{x})}{b \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{a}{b}}} \right) m(\tilde{x}^{\frac{c}{d}}) + \left(\frac{cx + (d-c)m(\tilde{x})}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}}} \right) m(\tilde{x}^{\frac{a}{b}}) \right. \\
&\quad \left. - m(\tilde{x}^{\frac{a}{b}}) m(\tilde{x}^{\frac{c}{d}}), \left(\frac{a\bar{x} + (b-a)m(\tilde{x})}{b \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{a}{b}}} \right) m(\tilde{x}^{\frac{c}{d}}) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \left(\frac{c\bar{x} + (d-c)m(\tilde{x})}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{c}{d}}} \right) m(\tilde{x}^{\frac{a}{b}}) - m(\tilde{x}^{\frac{a}{b}}) m(\tilde{x}^{\frac{c}{d}}) \right] \\
&= \left[\frac{ax \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{\frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d}}}{b \cdot m(\tilde{x})} + \frac{(b-a)m(\tilde{x})^{\frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d}}}{b} + \frac{cx \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{\frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d}}}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})} + \frac{(d-c)m(\tilde{x})^{\frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d}}}{d} \right. \\
&\quad \left. - m(\tilde{x})^{\frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d}}, \frac{a\bar{x} \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{\frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d}}}{b \cdot m(\tilde{x})} + \frac{(b-a)m(\tilde{x})^{\frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d}}}{b} + \frac{c\bar{x} \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{\frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d}}}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \frac{(d-c)m(\tilde{x})^{\frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d}}}{d} - m(\tilde{x})^{\frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d}} \right] \\
&= \left[m(\tilde{x})^{\frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d}} \left(\frac{ax}{b \cdot m(\tilde{x})} + \frac{(b-a)}{b} + \frac{cx}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})} + \frac{(d-c)}{d} - 1 \right), m(\tilde{x})^{\frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d}} \left(\frac{a\bar{x}}{b \cdot m(\tilde{x})} + \frac{(b-a)}{b} + \frac{c\bar{x}}{d \cdot m(\tilde{x})} + \frac{(d-c)}{d} - 1 \right) \right] \\
&= \left[m(\tilde{x})^{\frac{ad+bc}{bd}} \left(\frac{x}{m(\tilde{x})} \left(\frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d} \right) + \frac{bd - ad - bc}{bd} \right), m(\tilde{x})^{\frac{ad+bc}{bd}} \left(\frac{\bar{x}}{m(\tilde{x})} \left(\frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d} \right) + \frac{bd - ad - bc}{bd} \right) \right] \\
&= \left[m(\tilde{x})^{\frac{ad+bc}{bd}} \left(\frac{x}{m(\tilde{x})} \left(\frac{ad+bc}{bd} \right) + \frac{(bd - ad - bc)m(\tilde{x})}{bd \cdot m(\tilde{x})} \right), m(\tilde{x})^{\frac{ad+bc}{bd}} \left(\frac{\bar{x}}{m(\tilde{x})} \left(\frac{ad+bc}{bd} \right) + \frac{(bd - ad - bc)m(\tilde{x})}{bd \cdot m(\tilde{x})} \right) \right] \\
&= \left[\frac{x(ad+bc) + (bd - ad - bc)m(\tilde{x})}{bd \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{ad+bc}{bd}}}, \frac{\bar{x}(ad+bc) + (bd - ad - bc)m(\tilde{x})}{bd \cdot m(\tilde{x})^{1-\frac{ad+bc}{bd}}} \right] \\
&= \tilde{x}^{\frac{ad+bc}{bd}} \\
&= \tilde{x}^{\frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d}}
\end{aligned}$$

Corollary 3.2.4 Let \tilde{a} be any interval number and n is positive integer, then

$$(\tilde{a}^n)^{\frac{1}{n}} = \tilde{a}$$

Proof :

$$\begin{aligned} (\tilde{a}^n)^{\frac{1}{n}} &= \left((n\underline{a}) \cdot m(\tilde{a}^{n-1}) - (n-1) \cdot m(\tilde{a}^n), (n\bar{a}) \cdot m(\tilde{a}^{n-1}) - (n-1) \cdot m(\tilde{a}^n) \right)^{\frac{1}{n}} \\ &= \left[\frac{1}{n \cdot m(\tilde{a}^n)^{1-\frac{1}{n}}} \left((n\underline{a}) \cdot m(\tilde{a}^{n-1}) - (n-1) \cdot m(\tilde{a}^n) + (n-1) \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. \cdot m(\tilde{a}^n) \right), \frac{1}{n \cdot m(\tilde{a}^n)^{1-\frac{1}{n}}} \left((n\bar{a}) \cdot m(\tilde{a}^{n-1}) - (n-1) \cdot m(\tilde{a}^n) \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + (n-1) \cdot m(\tilde{a}^n) \right) \right] \\ &= \left[\frac{n\underline{a} \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{n-1}}{n \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{n(1-\frac{1}{n})}}, \frac{n\bar{a} \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{n-1}}{n \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{n(1-\frac{1}{n})}} \right] \\ &= [\underline{a}, \bar{a}] \end{aligned}$$

Corollary 3.2.5 Let \tilde{a} be any interval number and b, c are positive integers, then

$$\left(\tilde{a}^{\frac{b}{c}} \right)^{\frac{c}{b}} = \tilde{a}$$

Proof :

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\tilde{a}^{\frac{b}{c}} \right)^{\frac{c}{b}} &= \left[\frac{b\underline{a} + (c-b)m(\tilde{a})}{c \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{b}{c}}}, \frac{b\bar{a} + (c-b)m(\tilde{a})}{c \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{b}{c}}} \right]^{\frac{c}{b}} \\ &= \left[\frac{1}{b \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{\frac{b}{c}(1-\frac{c}{b})}} \left(\frac{c(b\underline{a} + (c-b)m(\tilde{a}))}{c \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{b}{c}}} \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + (b-c)m(\tilde{a})^{\frac{b}{c}} \right), \frac{1}{b \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{\frac{b}{c}(1-\frac{c}{b})}} \left(\frac{c(b\bar{a} + (c-b)m(\tilde{a}))}{c \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{b}{c}}} \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + (b-c)m(\tilde{a})^{\frac{b}{c}} \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \left[\frac{1}{b \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{\frac{b}{c}-1}} \left(\frac{b\underline{a} + (c-b)m(\tilde{a})}{m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{b}{c}}} \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. - \frac{(c-b)m(\tilde{a})^{\frac{b}{c}} \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{b}{c}}}{m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{b}{c}}} \right), \frac{1}{b \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{\frac{b}{c}-1}} \left(\frac{b\bar{a} + (c-b)m(\tilde{a})}{m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{b}{c}}} \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. - \frac{(c-b)m(\tilde{a})^{\frac{b}{c}} \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{b}{c}}}{m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{b}{c}}} \right) \right] \\
&= \left[\left(\frac{b\underline{a} + (c-b)m(\tilde{a})}{b \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{\frac{b}{c}-1+\frac{b}{c}}} - \frac{(c-b)m(\tilde{a})^{\frac{b}{c}+1-\frac{b}{c}}}{b \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{\frac{b}{c}-1+\frac{b}{c}}} \right), \left(\frac{b\bar{a} + (c-b)m(\tilde{a})}{b \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{\frac{b}{c}-1+\frac{b}{c}}} \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. - \frac{(c-b)m(\tilde{a})^{\frac{b}{c}+1-\frac{b}{c}}}{b \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{\frac{b}{c}-1+\frac{b}{c}}} \right) \right] \\
&= [\underline{a}, \bar{a}]
\end{aligned}$$

Corollary 3.2.6 Let \tilde{a} is any interval number and b, c are positive integers, then

$$\left(\tilde{a}^{\frac{r}{s}}\right)^{\frac{t}{u}} = \left(\tilde{a}^{\frac{t}{u}}\right)^{\frac{r}{s}}$$

Proof :

$$\begin{aligned}
\left(\tilde{a}^{\frac{r}{s}}\right)^{\frac{t}{u}} &= \left[\frac{r\underline{a} + (s-r)m(\tilde{a})}{s \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{r}{s}}}, \frac{r\bar{a} + (s-r)m(\tilde{a})}{s \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{r}{s}}} \right]^{\frac{t}{u}} \\
&= \left[\frac{1}{u \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{\frac{r}{s}(1-\frac{t}{u})}} \left(\frac{tr\underline{a} + t(s-r)m(\tilde{a})}{s \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{r}{s}}} \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. + \frac{(u-t)m(\tilde{a})^{\frac{r}{s}}(s \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{r}{s}})}{s \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{r}{s}}} \right), \frac{1}{u \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{\frac{r}{s}(1-\frac{t}{u})}} \left(\frac{tr\bar{a} + t(s-r)m(\tilde{a})}{s \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{r}{s}}} \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. + \frac{(u-t)m(\tilde{a})^{\frac{r}{s}}(s \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{r}{s}})}{s \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{r}{s}}} \right) \right] \\
&= \left[\left(\frac{tr\underline{a} + t(s-r)m(\tilde{a})}{u \cdot s \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{tr}{us}}} + \frac{s(u-t)m(\tilde{a})}{u \cdot s \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{tr}{us}}} \right), \left(\frac{tr\bar{a} + t(s-r)m(\tilde{a})}{u \cdot s \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{tr}{us}}} \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. + \frac{s(u-t)m(\tilde{a})}{u \cdot s \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{tr}{us}}} \right) \right]
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \left[\left(\frac{tr\underline{a} + m(\tilde{a})(ts - tr + us - ts)}{u \cdot s \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{tr}{us}}} \right), \left(\frac{tr\bar{a} + m(\tilde{a})(ts - tr + us - ts)}{u \cdot s \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{tr}{us}}} \right) \right] \\
&= \left[\left(\frac{tr\underline{a} + m(\tilde{a})(ru - tr + su - ru)}{u \cdot s \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{tr}{us}}} \right), \left(\frac{tr\bar{a} + m(\tilde{a})(ru - tr + su - ru)}{u \cdot s \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{tr}{us}}} \right) \right] \\
&= \left[\left(\frac{tr\underline{a} + r(u-t)m(\tilde{a})}{u \cdot s \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{tr}{us}}} + \frac{u(s-r)m(\tilde{a})}{u \cdot s \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{tr}{us}}} \right), \left(\frac{tr\bar{a} + r(u-t)m(\tilde{a})}{u \cdot s \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{tr}{us}}} \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. + \frac{u(s-r)m(\tilde{a})}{u \cdot s \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{tr}{us}}} \right) \right] \\
&= \left[\frac{1}{s \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{\frac{t}{u}(1-\frac{r}{s})}} \left(\frac{tr\underline{a} + r(u-t)m(\tilde{a})}{u \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{t}{u}}} \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. + \frac{(s-r)m(\tilde{a})^{\frac{t}{u}} \left(u \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{t}{u}} \right)}{u \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{t}{u}}} \right), \frac{1}{s \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{\frac{t}{u}(1-\frac{r}{s})}} \left(\frac{tr\bar{a} + r(u-t)m(\tilde{a})}{u \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{t}{u}}} \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. + \frac{(s-r)m(\tilde{a})^{\frac{t}{u}} \left(u \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{t}{u}} \right)}{u \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{t}{u}}} \right) \right] \\
&= \left[\frac{t\underline{a} + (u-t)m(\tilde{a})}{u \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{t}{u}}}, \frac{t\bar{a} + (u-t)m(\tilde{a})}{u \cdot m(\tilde{a})^{1-\frac{t}{u}}} \right]^{\frac{r}{s}} \\
&= \left(\tilde{a}^{\frac{t}{u}} \right)^{\frac{r}{s}}
\end{aligned}$$

Using the multiplication formula given in [21], interval numbers can be raised to different positive integer powers to obtain the pattern of \tilde{a}^n where n is any positive integers. Based on this pattern, a new formula can be formed for interval numbers with positive integer powers. If we using the previous formula of interval numbers with powers of positive integers which was given in [6], one of the basic properties in exponents does not apply such as $\tilde{a}^m \otimes \tilde{a}^n \neq \tilde{a}^{m+n}$. But, by using the new formula for interval numbers with positive integer powers, it has been shown above that $\tilde{a}^m \otimes \tilde{a}^n = \tilde{a}^{m+n}$ where m, n are positive integers so that the exponential property apply to interval numbers with powers of positive integers. Furthermore, using the new formula of interval numbers with powers of positive integers, we can construct the formula for interval numbers with powers of fractional numbers. Let say $\tilde{a}^{\frac{1}{n}} = \tilde{b}$, then $\left(\tilde{a}^{\frac{1}{n}}\right)^n = \tilde{b}^n$. Use the new formula for \tilde{b}^n and calculate to find \underline{b} and \bar{b} . Therefore, we got the formula for interval numbers with powers of fractional numbers $1/n$ or the formula for $\tilde{a}^{\frac{1}{n}}$ is obtained. Then, we can determine the formula for $\tilde{a}^{\frac{m}{n}}$ by calculate $\left(\tilde{a}^{\frac{1}{n}}\right)^m$. It can be shown that the exponential property

and several other properties also apply to this formula of interval numbers with positive rational powers.

4 Conclusion

Based on the multiplication formula we used, a pattern is obtained to determine the general form of interval numbers with positive integer powers and it has been shown that the exponential property applies to this formula. Using this formula for interval numbers with positive integer powers, a general formula for interval numbers with fractional powers is formed. To show that the formula is valid, it is also shown that the exponential properties apply to the formula. By using the formulas we provided above, future research endeavors can explore about the convergence of sequences of interval numbers with positive integers and fractional powers and the properties that apply to those sequences.

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