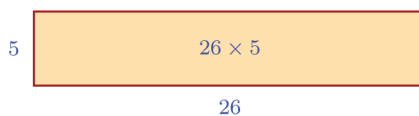


# MULTIPLICATION IDENTITIES

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## Product of sums

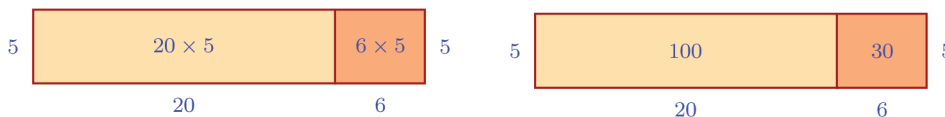
What is the area of a rectangle of sides 26 centimetres and 5 centimetres?



Instead of multiplying directly, we can split the product like this:

$$26 \times 5 = (20 + 6) \times 5$$

We can also split the rectangle accordingly:



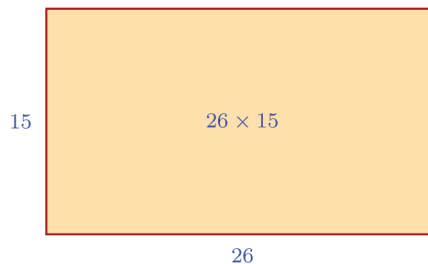
So area is

$$100 + 30 = 130 \text{ sq.cm}$$

How was the multiplication done here?

$$\begin{aligned} 26 \times 5 &= (20 + 6) \times 5 \\ &= (20 \times 5) + (6 \times 5) \\ &= 100 + 30 \\ &= 130 \end{aligned}$$

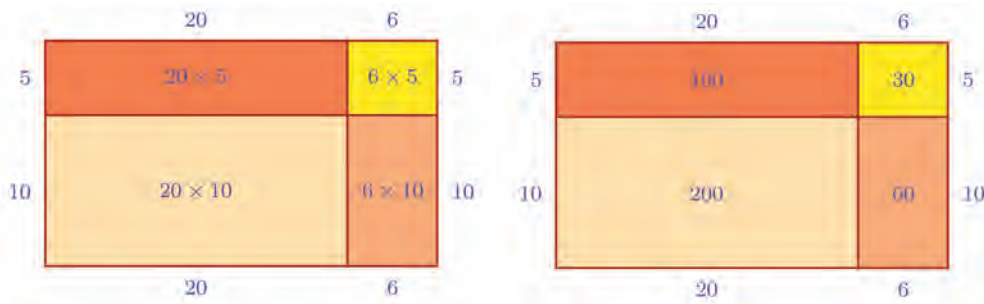
Now let's look at a rectangle of sides 26 centimetres and 15 centimetres:



Here also, if we split the product as,

$$26 \times 15 = (20 + 6) \times (10 + 5)$$

and split the rectangle also according to this, the computations would be a lot easier:



Now we can compute the area as

$$200 + 100 + 60 + 30 = 390 \text{ sq.cm.}$$

Let's write out how we got these numbers to be added:

$$\begin{aligned} 26 \times 15 &= (20 + 6) \times (10 + 5) \\ &= (20 \times 10) + (20 \times 5) + (6 \times 10) + (6 \times 5) \\ &= 200 + 100 + 60 + 30 \\ &= 390 \end{aligned}$$

Isn't this how we find the product when we write the numbers one below the other and multiply?

$$\begin{array}{r} 26 \times \\ 15 \\ \hline 130 \leftarrow 26 \times 5 = (6 + 20) \times 5 = 30 + 100 \\ 260 \leftarrow 26 \times 10 = (6 + 20) \times 10 = 60 + 200 \\ \hline 390 \end{array}$$

The operations done here can be explained like this.

To multiply the sum  $20 + 6$  by the sum  $10 + 5$ , we multiplied each of the numbers 20 and 6 in the first sum by each of the numbers 10 and 5 in the second sum and added together, all the four products thus got.

This works even if the numbers are not natural numbers.

For example,

$$\begin{aligned}
 6\frac{1}{2} \times 8\frac{1}{3} &= \left(6 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \times \left(8 + \frac{1}{3}\right) \\
 &= (6 \times 8) + \left(6 \times \frac{1}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 8\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{3}\right) \\
 &= 48 + 2 + 4 + \frac{1}{6} \\
 &= 54\frac{1}{6}
 \end{aligned}$$

In general,

To multiply a sum by a sum, we must multiply each number in the first sum by each number in the second sum and add all these products together.

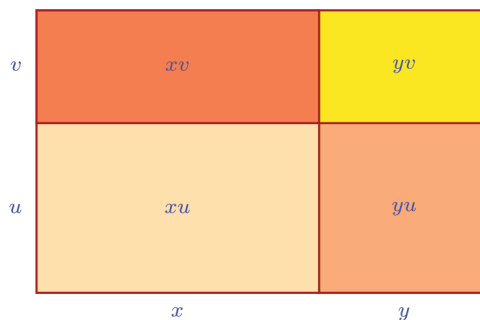
How about writing this in algebra?

Let's take the first sum as  $x + y$  and the second sum as  $u + v$ . To find their product, we must add  $xu$ ,  $xv$ ,  $yu$ ,  $yv$ . Thus

For any positive numbers  $x, y, u, v$

$$(x + y)(u + v) = xu + xv + yu + yv$$

This can be seen as areas like this:



This can be used to simplify some computations.

For example, look at  $31 \times 51$

We can do  $30 \times 50 = 1500$  in head.

By the result seen just now,

$$31 \times 51 = (30 + 1) \times (50 + 1) = 1500 + 30 + 50 + 1 = 1581$$

and this can also be done mentally.

What is the algebraic equation used here?

$$(x + 1)(y + 1) = xy + x + y + 1$$

In other words, knowing the product of two natural numbers, to get the product of the numbers next to each, we need only add the product of the first numbers, their sum and then one more.

For example,

$$21 \times 71 = (20 \times 70) + 20 + 70 + 1 = 1400 + 91 = 1491$$

$$81 \times 91 = (80 \times 90) + 80 + 90 + 1 = 7200 + 171 = 7371$$

$$201 \times 401 = (200 \times 400) + 200 + 400 + 1 = 80000 + 601 = 80601$$

Just as this gives an easy method to compute the product of numbers increased by one, is there an easy way to compute the product of numbers increased by two? Think about it:

We can use the general result to find the product of certain fractions also:

$$\left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right)\left(y + \frac{1}{2}\right) = xy + \left(x \times \frac{1}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times y\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2}\right) = xy + \frac{1}{2}(x + y) + \frac{1}{4}$$

For example,

$$6\frac{1}{2} \times 8\frac{1}{2} = 48 + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 14\right) + \frac{1}{4} = 48 + 7\frac{1}{4} = 55\frac{1}{4}$$

$$10\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2} = 50 + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 15\right) + \frac{1}{4} = 50 + 7\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} = 57\frac{3}{4}$$



(1) Mentally find the products below:

(i)  $71 \times 91$     (ii)  $42 \times 62$     (iii)  $10\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$     (iv)  $9.5 \times 3.5$     (v)  $10\frac{1}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$

- (2) The product of two numbers is 1400 and their sum is 81. What is the product of the numbers next to each?
- (3) The product of two odd numbers is 621 and their sum is 50. What is the product of the odd numbers next to each?

## Special operations

What we write as algebraic identities are general principles on numbers and their operations. Using them, we can prove some other general results also.

For example,

We can see that the product of two odd numbers is odd by inspecting some pairs of odd numbers. How do we actually prove this for any two odd numbers?

We've seen in Class 7 that the general form of an odd number is

$$2n + 1, n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

So we can take two odd numbers in general as  $2m + 1$  and  $2n + 1$ . Their product is

$$(2m + 1)(2n + 1) = 4mn + 2m + 2n + 1$$

Is this also an odd number?

Let's rewrite this in a slightly different form:

$$(2m + 1)(2n + 1) = 2(2mn + m + n) + 1$$

Now isn't it clear that the product is also an odd number?

Next we note that odd numbers are those numbers which leave remainder 1 on division by 2.

So, what is the general form of a number which leaves remainder 1 on division by 3?

Such numbers are got by adding 1 to a multiple of 3, right?

This thought leads to their general form:

$$3n + 1, n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

What about the product of two such numbers?

$$(3m + 1)(3n + 1) = 9mn + 3m + 3n + 1$$

Does the product also leave remainder 1 on division by 3? To see it, we need only write the product in a slightly different form:

$$(3m + 1)(3n + 1) = 3(3mn + m + n) + 1$$

This also is 1 added to a multiple of 3, isn't it?

In other words, a number which leaves remainder 1 on division by 3.

Let's look at another kind of problem:

If we take the first four natural numbers, 1, 2, 3, 4

$$\text{Product of the two numbers at the ends} = 1 \times 4 = 4$$

$$\text{Product of the two numbers in the middle} = 2 \times 3 = 6$$

Let's try this with next four, 2, 3, 4, 5 ?

$$\text{Product of the two numbers at the ends} = 2 \times 5 = 10$$

$$\text{Product of the two numbers in the middle} = 3 \times 4 = 12$$

Try some other four consecutive numbers. Is the difference of the products 2 every time? How do we prove that this is true for any four consecutive natural numbers?

Four consecutive natural numbers in general can be taken as  $x$ ,  $x + 1$ ,  $x + 2$ ,  $x + 3$

$$\text{Product of the two numbers at the ends} = x(x + 3) = x^2 + 3x$$

$$\text{Product of the two numbers in the middle} = (x + 1)(x + 2) = x^2 + 3x + 2$$

This shows the difference is 2 for all such products.

In these equations, we can take any number as  $x$ . For natural numbers, we can state this property in words like this:

For any four consecutive natural numbers, the difference between the products of the two numbers at the ends and the two numbers in the middle is two



- (1) Calculate each of the following for several numbers and guess a generalization; then prove it using algebra.
- (i) The remainder got on division by 3, the product of two numbers one of which leaves remainder 1 on division by 3 and the other, remainder 2.
  - (ii) The remainder got on division by 4, the product of two numbers one of which leaves remainder 1 on division by 4 and the other, remainder 2.
  - (iii) The difference of the products of the two numbers at the ends and the two in the middle, of six consecutive natural numbers.

(2) Given below is a method to find the product  $36 \times 28$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 3 \times 2 = 6 \qquad \qquad \qquad 6 \times 100 = 600 \\
 (3 \times 8) + (6 \times 2) = 36 \quad 36 \times 10 = 360 \\
 6 \times 8 \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad 48 \\
 \hline
 36 \times 28 \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad 1008
 \end{array}$$

(i) Check these for some other products of two digit numbers.

(ii) Explain why this works using algebra.

(Recall the general algebraic form  $10m + n$  of a two digit number, seen in Class 7)

### Number curiosities

We can use algebra to explain some curious properties of numbers also. For example, look at these products:

$$12 \times 63 = 756$$

$$21 \times 36 = 756$$

Usually the product of a pair of two digit numbers and the product of these with their digits reversed are different (try it!) Are there other pairs giving the same product ?

Look at these products:

$$32 \times 46 = 1472$$

$$23 \times 64 = 1472$$

Are there other pairs?

Let's use algebra

We know that any two digit number is of the form  $10m + n$

First digit is  $m$  and the second digit  $n$

If we reverse the digits?

Then the first digit is  $n$  and the second,  $m$ ; and the number itself is  $10n + m$ .

We want a pair of two digit numbers. we take them as  $10m + n$  and  $10p + q$ . These with the digits reversed are  $10n + m$  and  $10q + p$ .



We want to choose  $m, n, p, q$  in such a way that the two pairs have the same product.

The product of the first two is

$$(10m + n)(10p + q) = 100mp + 10mq + 10np + nq$$

The products with digits reversed is

$$(10n + m)(10q + p) = 100nq + 10np + 10mq + mp$$

Each product is a sum of four numbers. Comparing them, we see that both sums have  $10mq + 10np$ . So for the sums to be equal, the sum of the remaining two must be equal. That is,

$$100mp + nq = 100nq + mp$$

What does this mean?

Can the sum of hundred times a number and another be equal to the sum of hundred times the second and the first ?

So, the products  $mp$  and  $nq$  must be equal.

$$mp = nq$$

We can also see this using algebra. If the numbers  $100mp + nq$  and  $100nq + mp$  are to be equal, their difference must be zero. That is,

$$(100mp + nq) - (100nq + mp) = 0$$

This gives

$$99mp - 99nq = 0$$

This we can write

$$99(mp - nq) = 0$$

If 99 times a number is zero, the number itself must be zero, right ? So

$$mp - nq = 0$$

and this means

$$mp = nq$$

So in any pair of two digit numbers we are seeking, the products of the first digits must be equal to the product of the second digits.

In the first example above we had 12 and 63

$$\text{Product of the first digits} = 1 \times 6 = 6$$

$$\text{Product of the second digits} = 2 \times 3 = 6$$

What about the second example ? Numbers are 32 and 46

$$\text{Product of the first digits} = 3 \times 4 = 12$$

$$\text{Product of the second digits} = 2 \times 6 = 12$$

Similarly, since

$$2 \times 9 = 18$$

$$3 \times 6 = 18$$



the products  $23 \times 96$  and  $32 \times 69$  must be equal (check).

Can you find other pairs?

Remember some interesting things we found in Class 7 about sums in a calendar? Now let's see something about products of these numbers

Take any month in a calendar and mark four dates which form a square:

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	



Multiply the diagonal pairs:

$$14 \times 6 = 84$$

$$13 \times 7 = 91$$

And find their difference:

$$91 - 84 = 7$$

Now take another set of four numbers like these:

$$22 \times 30 = 660$$

$$23 \times 29 = 667$$

$$667 - 660 = 7$$

Why is the difference 7 every time?

Let's use algebra to find out.

If we denote the first number of the selected square as  $x$ , then the four numbers are like this:

$x$	$x + 1$
$x + 7$	$x + 8$

The diagonal products are  $x(x + 8)$  and  $(x + 1)(x + 7)$

The first product is

$$x(x + 8) = x^2 + 8x$$

And the second product

$$(x + 1)(x + 7) = x^2 + 7x + x + 7 = x^2 + 8x + 7$$

Look at the two products. The difference is 7, isn't it ?

We can take  $x$  as any number, so it is always true for any other part of a calendar.

Let's look at another one

Make a multiplication table like this:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18
3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27
4	8	12	16	20	24	28	32	36
5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45
6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54
7	14	21	28	35	42	49	56	63
8	16	24	32	40	48	56	64	72
9	18	27	36	45	54	63	72	81

As we did in the calendar, mark four numbers in a square at different positions:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18
3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27
4	8	12	16	20	24	28	32	36
5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45
6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54
7	14	21	28	35	42	49	56	63
8	16	24	32	40	48	56	64	72
9	18	27	36	45	54	63	72	81

Instead of multiplying as before, add the diagonal pairs in each square:

$$12 + 20 = 32$$

$$35 + 48 = 83$$

$$16 + 15 = 31$$

$$40 + 42 = 82$$

Will the difference of the sums be the same, whatever be the position of the square ?

To check this using algebra, we need to know the general form of the numbers so chosen from the table.

The first row of the table is just the natural numbers from 1 to 9, the second row is these numbers multiplied by 2, ...

In general, for any natural number  $n$  from 1 to 9, the numbers in the  $n^{\text{th}}$  row are

$$n \quad 2n \quad 3n \quad 4n \quad 5n \quad 6n \quad 7n \quad 8n \quad 9n$$

What about the next line?

To get it, by what number should we multiply the first row?

Let's look at these two rows together:

$$\begin{array}{cccccccccc}
 n & 2n & 3n & 4n & 5n & 6n & 7n & 8n & 9n \\
 n + 1 & 2(n + 1) & 3(n + 1) & 4(n + 1) & 5(n + 1) & 6(n + 1) & 7(n + 1) & 8(n + 1) & 9(n + 1)
 \end{array}$$

Now to take four numbers in a square, we can start with any number in the first row above. For example, we can choose like these:

$2n$	$3n$
$2(n + 1)$	$3(n + 1)$

$5n$	$6n$
$5(n + 1)$	$6(n + 1)$

In general, if we start with the  $m^{\text{th}}$  multiple of  $n$ , what would be the numbers in the square?

Let's write them one by one:

$mn$	$(m + 1)n$

$mn$	$(m + 1)n$
$m(n + 1)$	

$mn$	$(m + 1)n$
$m(n + 1)$	$(m + 1)(n + 1)$

Expanding all products, we get

$mn$	$mn + n$
$mn + m$	$mn + m + n + 1$

In this, one diagonal sum is

$$mn + (mn + m + n + 1) = 2mn + m + n + 1$$

And the other sum is

$$(mn + n) + (mn + m) = 2mn + n + m$$

Now don't you see that the difference of the sums is 1, wherever the square be, and also why it is so?



(1) Write numbers as shown below:

1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25

- (i) As we did in the calendar, mark a square of four numbers and find the difference of the diagonal products. Do we get the same difference for any such square?
  - (ii) Explain why this is so, using algebra.
- (2) In the multiplication table we've made, draw a square of nine numbers, instead of four, and mark the numbers at the four corners:

6	8	10
9	12	15
12	16	20

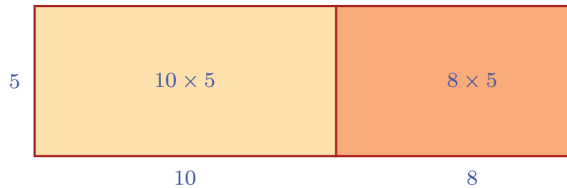
- (i) What is the difference of the diagonal sums ?
- (ii) Explain using algebra why we get the difference as 4 in all such squares.
- (iii) What about a square of sixteen numbers?

## Multiplication with a difference

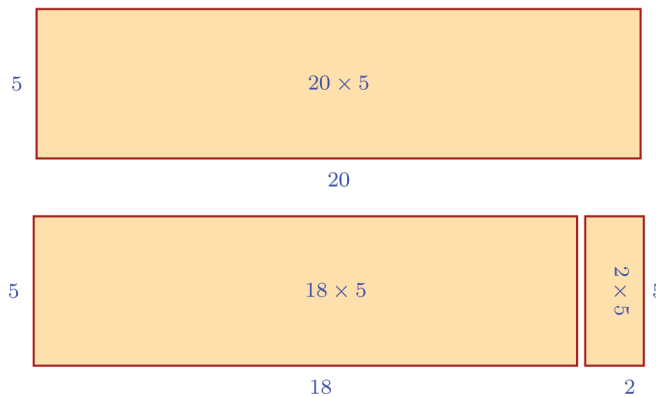
How do we calculate  $18 \times 5$  ?

We can do as before:

$$18 \times 5 = (10 + 8) \times 5 = (10 \times 5) + (8 \times 5) = 50 + 40 = 90$$



There's another way:

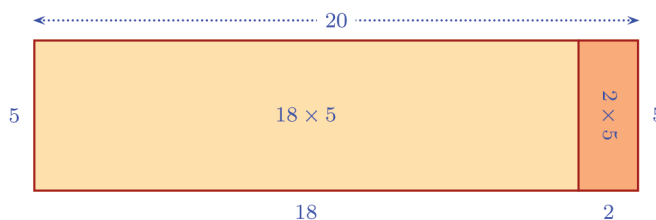


That is,

$$\begin{aligned} 18 \times 5 &= (20 - 2) \times 5 \\ &= (20 \times 5) - (2 \times 5) \\ &= 100 - 10 \\ &= 90 \end{aligned}$$

We can also look at it like this:  $18 \times 5$  and  $2 \times 5$  added together gives  $20 \times 5$ :

$$(18 \times 5) + (2 \times 5) = (18 + 2) \times 5 = 20 \times 5$$



So,

$$18 \times 5 = (20 \times 5) - (2 \times 5)$$

Like this, we can compute

$$38 \times 5 = (40 - 2) \times 5 = (40 \times 5) - (2 \times 5) = 200 - 10 = 190$$

and

$$45 \times 8 = 45 \times (10 - 2) = (45 \times 10) - (45 \times 2) = 450 - 90 = 360$$

What did we do in these two calculations? Just as we split the product of a sum by a number, we can also split the product of a difference by a number.

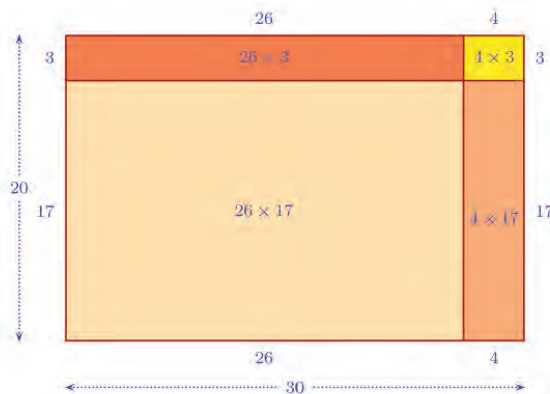
Now let's see whether we can split the product of two differences, as we did for the product of sums.

For example we can write,

$$26 \times 17 = (30 - 4) \times (20 - 3)$$

How do we split this as four products as in the case of sums?

The easy way to do this is to think how we can enlarge a rectangle of sides 26 and 17 to one with sides 30 and 20:



From this picture, we can see that

$$(26 \times 17) + (26 \times 3) + (4 \times 17) + (4 \times 3) = 30 \times 20$$

And from this equation, we can see that

$$26 \times 17 = 30 \times 20 - (26 \times 3) - (4 \times 17) - (4 \times 3)$$



Now let's calculate each product on the right side of the equation:

$$30 \times 20 = 600$$

$$26 \times 3 = (30 - 4) \times 3 = 90 - 12 = 78$$

$$4 \times 17 = 4 \times (20 - 3) = 80 - 12 = 68$$

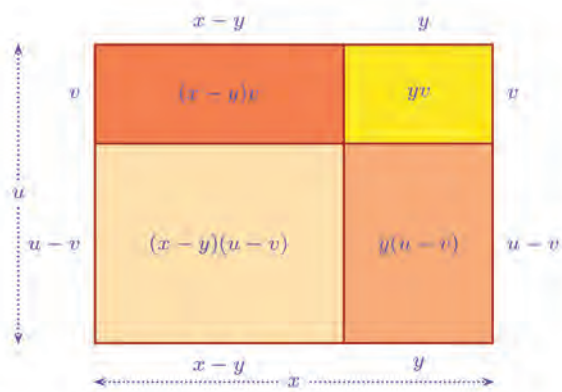
$$4 \times 3 = 12$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} (26 \times 17) &= 600 - 78 - 68 - 12 \\ &= 600 - (78 + 68 + 12) \\ &= 600 - 158 \\ &= 442 \end{aligned}$$

The next thing we think about is whether we can do this without so much computation. For that we use algebra without actual numbers.

The problem is to split  $(x - y)(u - v)$ . As in the problem above, we start with a rectangle of sides  $x - y$  and  $u - v$  and enlarge it to one with sides  $x$  and  $u$ :



From the picture we see that

$$(x - y)(u - v) + y(u - v) + (x - y)v + yv = xu$$

Expanding the middle two products in the sum on the left of the equation, we get

$$(x - y)(u - v) + (yu - yv) + (xv - yv) + yv = xu$$

This simplifies to

$$(x - y)(u - v) + yu - yv + xv = xu$$

This says that to increase  $(x - y)(u - v)$  to  $xu$ , we must add  $xv$  and  $yu$  and subtract  $yv$  (Can you see this in the picture?)

So to change  $xu$  back to  $(x - y)(u - v)$ , the added  $xv$  and  $yu$  must be subtracted and the subtracted  $yv$  must be added back. That is,

$$(x - y)(u - v) = xu - xv - yu + yv$$

Thus we get another general result about multiplication:

For any positive numbers  $x, y, u, v$  with  $x > y$  and  $u > v$

$$(x - y)(u - v) = xu - xv - yu + yv$$

Using this, our first problem can be done much more easily:

$$\begin{aligned} 26 \times 17 &= (30 - 4) \times (20 - 3) \\ &= (30 \times 20) - (30 \times 3) - (4 \times 20) + (4 \times 3) \\ &= 600 - 90 - 80 + 12 \\ &= 612 - 170 \end{aligned}$$

To subtract 170 from 612, the easy way is to subtract 200 and add 30. Thus

$$26 \times 17 = 612 - 200 + 30 = 442$$

Now calculate these products like this:

$$(i) 38 \times 49 \quad (ii) 47 \times 99 \quad (iii) 29 \times 46 \quad (iv) 9\frac{1}{2} \times 19\frac{1}{2}$$

Let's look at another problem :

Remember how from the product of two natural numbers, we calculated the product of the next numbers? We did it using the algebraic form of the product of two sums. Like this, using the equation of the product of differences, we can find the product of the numbers just before.

For example,

$$\begin{aligned}
 29 \times 49 &= (30 - 1) \times (50 - 1) \\
 &= (30 \times 50) - (30 \times 1) - (50 \times 1) + (1 \times 1) \\
 &= 1500 - 30 - 50 + 1 \\
 &= 1500 - 80 + 1 \\
 &= 1421
 \end{aligned}$$

This computation can be given a general algebraic form:

$$(x - 1)(y - 1) = xy - x - y + 1$$

and we can rewrite it like this:

$$(x - 1)(y - 1) = xy - (x + y) + 1$$

This means that if we know the product of two natural numbers, then to calculate the product of the numbers just before each, we need only subtract the sum from the known product and add one.

On the other hand, we can compute the product of two numbers, if we know the product of the numbers just after and the product of the numbers just before each.

For example, suppose that the product of the numbers just after two numbers is 525 and the product of the numbers just before is 427.

Taking the numbers as  $x$  and  $y$ , these give

$$(x + 1)(y + 1) = 525$$

$$(x - 1)(y - 1) = 437$$

Expanding the products on the left of the equation, we get

$$xy + x + y + 1 = 525$$

$$xy - (x + y) + 1 = 437$$

Adding these two equations, we get

$$2xy + 2 = 962$$

This gives

$$xy = \frac{1}{2} (962 - 2) = 480$$

which is the product of the numbers.

Now instead of adding the equations, we subtract the second from the first. This gives

$$2(x + y) = 88$$

so that

$$x + y = 44$$

Thus we get the sum of the numbers also.

From the product and the sum, we can also get the difference. Recall the identity

$$(x - y)^2 = (x + y)^2 - 4xy$$

seen in Class 8

So in our problem,

$$\begin{aligned} (x - y)^2 &= 44^2 - (4 \times 480) \\ &= (4^2 \times 11^2) - (4^2 \times 120) \\ &= (4^2 \times 121) - (4^2 \times 120) \\ &= 4^2 \end{aligned}$$

which gives

$$x - y = 4$$

From the sum and difference we can calculate the numbers themselves:

$$x = \frac{1}{2} (44 + 4) = 24$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2} (44 - 4) = 20$$



- (1) The perimeter of a rectangle is 40 centimetres and its area is 70 square centimetres. Find the area of the rectangle with each side 3 centimetres shorter.
- (2) If the sides of a rectangle are decreased by one metre, its area would be 741 square metres; if increased by one metre, it would be 861 square metres.
- What is the area of the rectangle ?
  - What is its perimeter ?
  - What are the lengths of its sides ?
- (3) When each of two numbers are increased by one, the product becomes 1271 and when each is decreased by one, the product becomes 1131.
- What is the product of the numbers ?
  - What is their sum ?
  - What are the numbers ?
- (4) The product of two odd numbers just after each of two odd numbers is 285 and the product of the odd numbers just before each is 165. What are the numbers?

We have seen identities for the product of two sums and the product of two differences. What about the product of a sum and a difference?

In other words, how do we split  $(x + y)(u - v)$  ?

Let's continue with algebra. First we split the product like this:

$$(x + y)(u - v) = x(u - v) + y(u - v)$$

Next we expand each product on the right side of the equation:

$$x(u - v) = xu - xv$$

$$y(u - v) = yu - yv$$

$$\text{Thus } (x + y)(u - v) = xu - xv + yu - yv$$

For any positive numbers  $x, y, u, v$  with  $u > v$

$$(x + y)(u - v) = xu - xv + yu - yv$$

As an example let's do  $14 \times 59$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} 14 \times 59 &= (10 + 4) \times (60 - 1) \\ &= 600 - 10 + 240 - 4 \\ &= 590 + 236 \\ &= 826 \end{aligned}$$

Now try these:

(i)  $52 \times 19$       (ii)  $101 \times 48$       (iii)  $97 \times 102$       (iv)  $9\frac{3}{4} \times 20\frac{1}{2}$

Remember how we used the sum and product of two numbers to find the products of these numbers increased by one and the product of these decreased by one?

What about the product of one number increased by one and the other decreased by one?

Let's check using 8 and 5.

$$\begin{aligned} 8 \times 5 &= 40 \\ (8 + 1) \times (5 - 1) &= 9 \times 4 = 36 \\ (8 - 1) \times (5 + 1) &= 7 \times 6 = 42 \end{aligned}$$

Experiment with other pairs of numbers. Can you find anything in general?

If the larger of the numbers is increased by one and the smaller decreased by one, would the product increase or decrease?

And the other way round?

Let's use algebra. Denote the larger number by  $x$  and the smaller number by  $y$ .

If the larger number is increased by one and the smaller number decreased by 1, the product is

$$(x + 1)(y - 1) = xy - x + y - 1$$

This means from the original product, the larger number  $x$  is subtracted and the smaller number  $y$  is added. Then itself the product becomes less; and one also is subtracted.

Thus the product is decreased.

What if it's the other way round ?

$$(x - 1)(y + 1) = xy + x - y - 1$$

The larger number  $x$  is added and the smaller number  $y$  is subtracted, which increases the product; but a one is subtracted.

So here there are two cases:

- If the numbers are consecutive, there would be no change in the product.
- If the numbers are different and not consecutive, the product would increase.

Think why these are so.



- (1) The product of two numbers is 713 and their difference is 8.
  - (i) What is the product of the larger number increased by one and the smaller number decreased by one ?
  - (ii) What is the product of the larger number decreased by one and the smaller number increased by one ?
- (2) The product of two numbers is 5 more than the product of the larger of the numbers increased by one and the smaller decreased by one. How much is the increase in the product if the larger is decreased by one and the smaller increased by one?
- (3) The product of the larger of two numbers increased by one and the smaller decreased by one is 540. The product of the larger decreased by one and the smaller increased by one is 560.
  - (i) What is the product of the numbers themselves ?
  - (ii) What is their difference ?
  - (iii) What are the numbers ?
- (4) If the length of a rectangle is increased by 3 metres and the breadth decreased by 2 metres, its area would decrease by 10 square metres. If the length is decreased by 2 metres and the breadth increased by 3 metres, the area would increase by 30 square metres. Calculate the length and breadth of the rectangle.