

Cardano's Sol'n of the depressed cubic

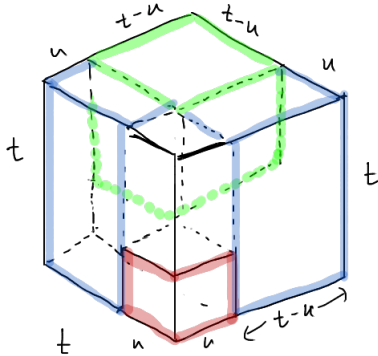
$$x^3 + mx = n$$

Similar to geometric algebra



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

↳ block in back under green



$$t^3 = u^3 + (t-u)^3 + 2tu(t-u) + u^2(t-u) + u(t-u)^2$$

$$t^3 - u^3 = (t-u)^3 + (t-u)[2tu + u^2 + u(t-u)]$$

$$t^3 - u^3 = (t-u)^3 + (t-u)(3tu)$$

universal truth

write: $x = t - u$

$$3tu = m \quad (1)$$

$$n = t^3 - u^3 \quad (2) \Rightarrow t^3 - n = u^3$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 s &= x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3} \\
 \hookrightarrow sx^3 &= x^6 - 1 \\
 0 &= x^6 - sx^3 - 1 \\
 w &= x^3 \\
 0 &= w^2 - sw - 1 \\
 &\quad \text{q.f.i.} \\
 x^3 &= w = -
 \end{aligned}$$

$$(1) \quad u = \frac{m}{3t} \xrightarrow{\text{sub (2)}} n = t^3 - \left(\frac{m}{3t}\right)^3 = t^3 - \frac{m^3}{27t^3}$$

mult. by t^3

$$nt^3 = t^6 - \frac{m^3}{27} \quad \leadsto \quad 0 = t^6 - nt^3 - \frac{m^3}{27}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 w &= t^3 \\
 0 &= w^2 - nw - \frac{m^3}{27}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$w = \frac{n \pm \sqrt{n^2 + \frac{4m^3}{27}}}{2} = \frac{n \pm 2\sqrt{\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{m}{3}\right)^3}}{2} = \frac{n}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{m}{3}\right)^3}$$

$$t = \sqrt[3]{\frac{n}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{m}{3}\right)^3}} \quad , \quad u = n - t^3 = \frac{n}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{m}{3}\right)^3} - n = -\frac{n}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{m}{3}\right)^3}$$

$$u = \sqrt[3]{-\frac{n}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{m}{3}\right)^3}}$$

$$x = \sqrt[3]{\frac{n}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{m}{3}\right)^3}} - \sqrt[3]{-\frac{n}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{m}{3}\right)^3}}$$

Ex Solve $2x^3 - 7x - 2 = 0$ via Cardano

look like:

$$x^3 + mx = n$$

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$$x^3 - \frac{7}{2}x = 1$$

$$m = -\frac{7}{2}$$

$$n = 1$$

$$x = \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{2} + \sqrt{\frac{1}{4} - \left(\frac{7}{6}\right)^3}} - \sqrt[3]{-\frac{1}{2} + \sqrt{\frac{1}{4} - \left(\frac{7}{6}\right)^3}}$$

$$= \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{2} + \sqrt{\frac{6^3 - 4 \cdot 7^3}{4 \cdot 6^3}}} - \sqrt[3]{-\frac{1}{2} + \sqrt{\frac{6^3 - 4 \cdot 7^3}{4 \cdot 6^3}}}$$

$$\sqrt[3]{\frac{n}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{m}{3}\right)^3}} - \sqrt[3]{-}$$

$$\left(\frac{-7}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{3}\right) = \left(\frac{-7}{6}\right)^3$$

$$\frac{1}{4} - \frac{7^3}{6^3} = \frac{6^3 - 4 \cdot 7^3}{4 \cdot 6^3}$$

$$\text{Ex } 9x^3 - 9x = 4 \longrightarrow x^3 - x = \frac{4}{9}$$

$$x = \sqrt[3]{\frac{2}{9} + \sqrt{\frac{4}{81} - \frac{1}{27} \cdot \frac{3}{81}}}$$

$$x = \sqrt[3]{\frac{2}{9} + \sqrt{\frac{1}{81}}} - \sqrt[3]{\frac{-2}{9} + \sqrt{\frac{1}{81}}}$$

$$x = \sqrt[3]{\frac{2}{9} + \frac{1}{9}} - \sqrt[3]{\frac{-2}{9} + \frac{1}{9}}$$

$$x = \sqrt[3]{\frac{3}{9}} - \sqrt[3]{\frac{-1}{9}}$$

$$m = -1, \quad n = \frac{4}{9}$$

$$x = \frac{3^{1/3}}{3^{2/3}} + \frac{1}{3^{2/3}} = \frac{3^{1/3} + 1}{3^{2/3}} \cdot \frac{3^{1/3}}{3^{1/3}} = \frac{3^{2/3} + 3^{1/3}}{3}$$
$$= 3^{-1/3} - 3^{-2/3}$$