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$$x^n - a = 0$$
.

Binomial algebraic equation.

Solutions:

$$\begin{split} x_{k+1} &= a^{1/n} \left(\cos \frac{2k\pi}{n} + i \sin \frac{2k\pi}{n} \right) & \text{if} \quad a > 0, \\ x_{k+1} &= |a|^{1/n} \left(\cos \frac{(2k+1)\pi}{n} + i \sin \frac{(2k+1)\pi}{n} \right) & \text{if} \quad a < 0, \end{split}$$

where k = 0, 1, ..., n - 1, and $i^2 = -1$.

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