

**Warm-up:**

Solve each quadratic equation by completing the square and then graph the function.

1)  $x^2 - 10x + 7 = 0$

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 $(5)^2 = 25$

$(x^2 - 10x + 25 - 25) + 7 = 0$

$(x - 5)^2 - 18 = 0$

$\sqrt{(x - 5)^2} = \sqrt{18}$

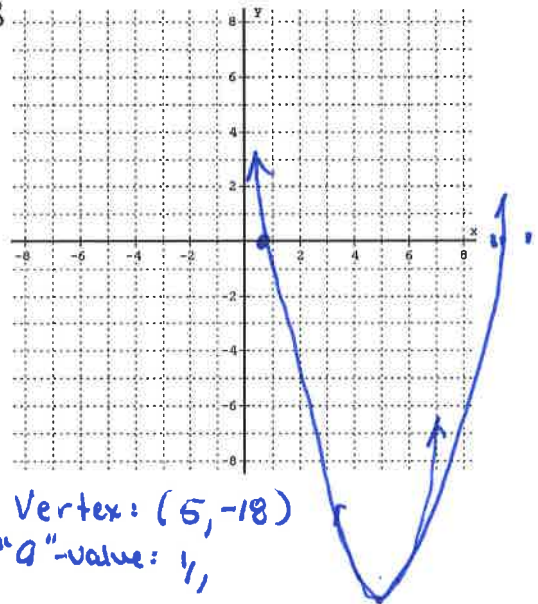
$x - 5 = \pm\sqrt{18}$

$x = 5 \pm \sqrt{18}$

or

$x = .76$

$x = 9.24$



The quadratic formula was "discovered" by a mathematician who used completing the square on a generic quadratic in standard form:  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$

2) With your elbow partner try to "discover" the quadratic formula by completing the square.

$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$   
 $a(x^2 + \frac{b}{a}x + \frac{b^2}{4a^2} - \frac{b^2}{4a^2}) + c = 0$   
 $(\frac{b}{2a})^2 = \frac{b^2}{4a^2}$

$a(x + \frac{b}{2a})^2 - \frac{b^2}{4a} + c = 0$

$a(x + \frac{b}{2a})^2 = \frac{b^2}{4a} - \frac{c}{1}$

or  
 $\frac{a(x + \frac{b}{2a})^2}{a} = \frac{b^2 - 4ac}{4a}$

$(x + \frac{b}{2a})^2 = \frac{b^2 - 4ac}{4a^2}$

$x + \frac{b}{2a} = \pm \frac{\sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$

$x = \frac{-b}{2a} \pm \frac{\sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$

**Agenda:**

- 1) Warm-up
- 2) Homework questions
- 3) New Lesson---3.4 The Quadratic Formula
- 4) Homework/in-class activity

## Algebra 2: 3.4 The Quadratic Formula:

### Learning Targets for Today:

- 1) Solve quadratic equations using the Quadratic Formula.
- 2) Solve real life problems.

### (A) Solving a Quadratic Equation using the Quadratic Formula

We have been solving quadratics for a while...

- 1) Graphing (x-int are solutions)
- 2) Factor Method
- 3) Square-root Method
- 4) Completing the Square

Well...today is the most powerful way of solving quadratics

### Quadratic Formula:

\*Used for find x-intercepts to quadratics:  $ax^2+bx+c = 0$

$$\frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

**Step 1:** Set your equation equal to zero

**Step 2:** list a=      b=      c=

**Step 3:** Plug a, b, c into the formula

**Step 4:** Simplify

\*This finds x-intercepts or solutions to quadratic equations!

Example:

$$2x^2 + x = 5$$
$$-5 -5$$

Step 1

$$2x^2 + x - 5 = 0$$

Step 2

$$a = 2 \quad b = 1 \quad c = -5$$

Step 3

$$\frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1 - 4(2)(-5)}}{2(2)}$$

Step 4

$$\frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1 + 40}}{4}$$

$$\frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{41}}{4}$$

or

$$\frac{-1 \pm 6.4}{4}$$

$$x = 1.35 \text{ ; } -1.85$$

Try/ Slowly

$$3x^2 + 8x = 35$$

step 1

$$3x^2 + 8x - 35 = 0$$

step 2

$$a = 3 \quad b = 8 \quad c = -35$$

step 3

$$\frac{-8 \pm \sqrt{64 - 4(3)(-35)}}{2(3)}$$



$$\frac{-8 \pm \sqrt{64 + 420}}{6}$$

$$\frac{-8 \pm \sqrt{484}}{6}$$

$$\frac{-8 \pm 22}{6}$$

$$\frac{-8 + 22}{6} = 2.33$$

$$\frac{-8 - 22}{6} = -5$$

Try:

$$x^2 - x = 5x - 9$$
$$-5x - 5x$$

$$x^2 - 6x + 9 = 0$$

$$a = 1$$
$$b = -6$$
$$c = 9$$

$$\frac{6 \pm \sqrt{36 - 4(1)(9)}}{2(1)}$$

$$\frac{6 \pm \sqrt{36 - 36}}{2}$$

$$\frac{6 \pm \sqrt{0}}{2}$$

$$\frac{b}{2} = 3$$

Could have factored!

$$x^2 - 6x + 9 = 0$$

$$(x - 3)(x - 3) = 0$$

$$x - 3 = 0$$

$$\underline{\underline{x = 3}}$$

Try:

1)  $12x - 5 = 2x^2 + 13$

$$-12x + 5 \quad -12x + 5$$

$$2x^2 - 12x + 18 = 0$$

$$a = 2$$

$$b = -12$$

$$c = 18$$

$$\frac{12 \pm \sqrt{144 - 4(2)(18)}}{2(2)}$$

$$\frac{12 \pm \sqrt{144 - 144}}{4}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{12}{4} = \boxed{3}$$

Example/ Together:

$$-x^2 + 2x = 2$$

$$-x^2 + 2x - 2 = 0$$

$a = -1$   
 $b = 2$   
 $c = -2$

$$\frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 4(-1)(-2)}}{2(-1)}$$

$$\frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 8}}{-2}$$

imaginary solutions

$$\frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{-4}}{-2}$$

$$\frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 \cdot \sqrt{-1}}}{-2}$$

$$\frac{-2 \pm 2i}{-2}$$

Let's reduce

$$\frac{-2}{-2} \pm \frac{2i}{-2}$$

$$1 \pm i$$

Try:

$$-2x^2 = -2x + 3$$

$$2x^2 - 2x + 3 = 0$$

$a = 2$   
 $b = -2$   
 $c = 3$

$$\frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 4(2)(3)}}{2(2)}$$

$$\frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 24}}{4}$$

$$\frac{2 \pm \sqrt{-20}}{4}$$

$$\frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 \cdot \sqrt{-5}}}{4}$$

$$\frac{2 \pm 2\sqrt{5}i}{4}$$

$$\frac{2}{4} \pm \frac{2\sqrt{5}i}{4}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \pm \frac{\sqrt{5}i}{2}$$

## (B) Solving Real-Life Problems

The function  $h = -16t^2 + h^0$  (this is the initial height or starting height) is used to model the height of a dropped object. For an object that is launched or thrown, an extra term ( $vt$ ) must be added to the model to account for the object's initial vertical velocity.

Core Concept:

- $H = -16t^2 + h^0$  (use when an object is dropped)
- $H = -16t^2 + vt + h^0$  (use when an object is launched or thrown)
- $h^0$  is starting height
- $v$  is the object's initial velocity

As shown below, the value of  $v$  can be positive, negative, or zero depending on whether the object is launched upward, downward, or parallel to the ground.



Example/Try:

A juggler tosses a ball into the air. The ball leaves the juggler's hand 4 feet above the ground and has an initial vertical velocity of 30 feet per second. The juggler catches the ball when it falls back to a height of 3 feet. How long is the ball in the air?

$h^0$  starting height

↑ finishing height      ↑ find the  $t =$  time

$t =$  time after the toss

$$H = -16t^2 + vt + h^0$$

↑ finishing height      ↑ initial velocity      ↑ starting height

$$3 = -16t^2 + 30t + 4$$

set equal to 0

$$-16t^2 + 30t + 1 = 0$$

Solve for  $t$

$$a = -16 \quad b = 30 \quad c = 1$$

$$\frac{-30 \pm \sqrt{900 - 4(-16)(1)}}{2(-16)}$$

$$\frac{-30 \pm \sqrt{900 + 64}}{-32} \Rightarrow \frac{-30 \pm \sqrt{964}}{-32}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-30 \pm 31.05}{-32} \Rightarrow t = 1.91 \text{ sec} \quad \text{; } t = -.03$$

reject the - answer... time can't be negative

Homework: pg. 127 ( 5-13, 63)