

Let's Review

What is a quadratic function?

A polynomial of degree 2 (the highest exponent is 2). The graph is a "U" shaped curve called a parabola.

Examples: $5x^2 + 7$ $6x^2 + 3x - 1$ $9x^2$

What are 2 forms of writing a quadratic function?

Standard form	$y = ax^2 + bx + c$, where $a \neq 0$
Vertex form	$y = a(x - h)^2 + k$, where $a \neq 0$

3rd Form: Writing a Quadratic Function in Factored Form

$y = a(x - r_1)(x - r_2)$, where $a \neq 0$

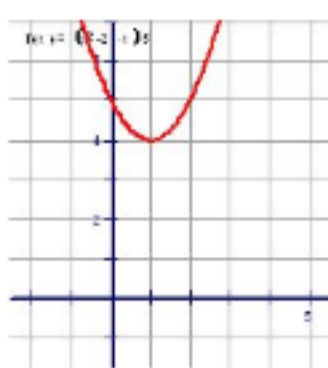
r_1 and $r_2 = x$ -coordinates of the solution, written as $(r_1, 0)$ and $(r_2, 0)$.

Solutions for Quadratic Functions

When you graph a quadratic equation, the solutions are the x -intercepts or the point(s) where the parabola crosses the x -axis.

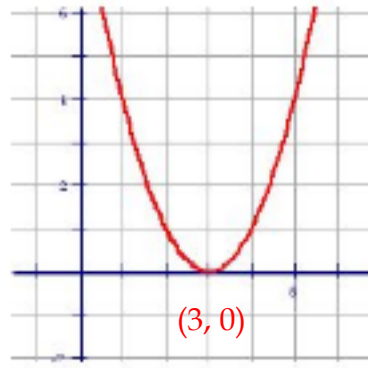
The x -intercepts also called the zeros or roots.

How many solutions does each parabola have?

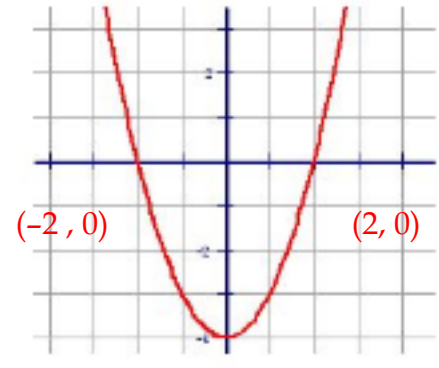


No solution

Why is there no solution?
There are no x -intercepts.



1 solution



2 solutions

Can a parabola have more than two real solutions?

A quadratic equation can have 0, 1, or 2 real solutions.

Solving Quadratic Functions in Factored Form

Use the **Zero Product Property**: If $ab = 0$, then $a = 0$ or $b = 0$.

Think about It! If $4 \cdot b = 0$, what is the value of b ? 0

Let's Look at an Example! How do we find a solution?

If $(x + 4)(x - 3) = 0$, then $(x + 4) = 0$ or $(x - 3) = 0$

$$\begin{array}{r} x + 4 = 0 \\ -4 \quad -4 \\ \hline x = -4 \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{r} x - 3 = 0 \\ +3 \quad +3 \\ \hline x = 3 \end{array}$$

Point out that this just a sign change, $x + 4 = 0$ means $x = -4$

Solutions: $(-4, 0)$ and $(3, 0)$

Is the y-coordinate always 0? Why?

Find the solution(s) or x-intercept(s) for each quadratic function written in factored form.

1. $(x + 7)(3x - 1) = 0$

$$x + 7 = 0 \quad 3x - 1 = 0$$

$$x = -7 \quad x = \frac{1}{3}$$

Solutions: $(-7, 0)$ and $\left(\frac{1}{3}, 0\right)$

2. $(4s + 8)(s + 9) = 0$

$$4s + 8 = 0 \quad s + 9 = 0$$

$$s = -2 \quad s = -9$$

Solutions: $(-2, 0)$ and $(-9, 0)$

3. $j(j - 8) = 0$

$$j = 0 \quad j - 8 = 0$$

$$j = 0 \quad j = 8$$

Solutions: $(0, 0)$ and $(8, 0)$

4. $(x - 4)(3x - 12) = 0$

$$x - 4 = 0 \quad 3x - 12 = 0$$

$$x = 4 \quad x = 4$$

Solution: $(4, 0)$

5. $\frac{1}{2}(x - 4)(x + 1) = 0$

$$x - 4 = 0 \quad x + 1 = 0$$

$$x = 4 \quad x = -1$$

Solutions: $(4, 0)$ and $(-1, 0)$

6. $-(x - 3)(x - 11) = 0$

$$x - 3 = 0 \quad x - 11 = 0$$

$$x = 3 \quad x = 11$$

Solutions: $(3, 0)$ and $(11, 0)$

Writing a Quadratic Function in Factored Form

We need to know two things!

1. Does the parabola open up or down?
2. What are the x -intercepts?

If the parabola opens DOWN,
add a “-” in front of the factors.

Let's Look at an Example! How do we write a quadratic function in factored form?

The parabola opens UP and x -intercepts are $(2, 0)$ and $(4, 0)$.

If $(2, 0)$ is a solution, then $x = 2$.

$$\begin{array}{r} x = 2 \\ \underline{-2} \quad \underline{-2} \\ x - 2 = 0 \end{array}$$

If $(4, 0)$ is a solution, then $x = 4$.

$$\begin{array}{r} x = 4 \\ \underline{-4} \quad \underline{-4} \\ x - 4 = 0 \end{array}$$

Work backwards!
Point out that this just
a sign change, $x = 2$
means $x - 2 = 0$.

$$f(x) = \underline{(x - 2)(x - 4)}$$

Write a quadratic equation in factored using the given information.

1. The parabola opens **DOWN** and the x -intercepts are $(-3, 0)$ and $(1, 0)$.

$$f(x) = -(x + 3)(x - 1)$$

2. The parabola opens UP and the x -intercepts are $(3.5, 0)$ and $(-4.3, 0)$.

$$f(x) = (x - 3.5)(x + 4.3)$$

3. The parabola opens **DOWN** and the x -intercepts are $(0, 0)$ and $(5, 0)$.

$$f(x) = -x(x - 5) \text{ or } f(x) = -(x - 0)(x - 5)$$

4. The parabola opens UP and the x -intercepts are $\left(-\frac{1}{2}, 0\right)$ and $\left(-\frac{3}{4}, 0\right)$.

$$f(x) = \left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right)\left(x + \frac{3}{4}\right)$$

5. The parabola opens **DOWN** and the x -intercepts are $(4, 0)$ and $(-2, 0)$.

$$f(x) = -(x - 4)(x + 2)$$

6. The parabola opens UP and the x -intercepts are $(1, 0)$ and $\left(\frac{2}{3}, 0\right)$.

$$f(x) = (x - 1)\left(x - \frac{2}{3}\right)$$

Finding the Axis of Symmetry

The *axis of symmetry* is the midpoint between the x -coordinates of the x -intercepts.

How do we find the axis of symmetry given the x -intercepts?

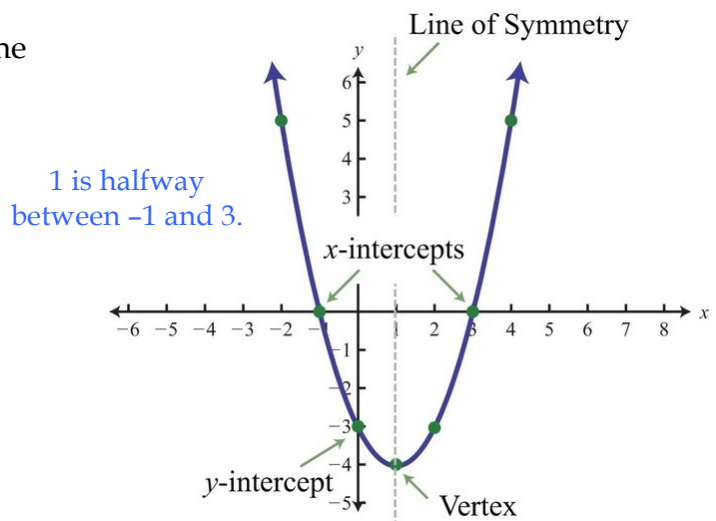
Let's Look at an Example!

Find the axis of symmetry if the x -intercepts are $(-1, 0)$ and $(3, 0)$?

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

Add the x -coordinates.
Divide by 2.

Thus, $x = 1$.



Determine the axis of symmetry of a parabola with the given x -intercepts.

1. The x -intercepts are $(-12, 0)$ and $(4, 0)$.

$$x = \frac{-12+4}{2} = \frac{-8}{2} = -4$$

Axis of Symmetry: $x = -4$

2. The x -intercepts are $(7, 0)$ and $(0, 0)$.

$$x = \frac{7+0}{2} = \frac{7}{2} = 3.5$$

Axis of Symmetry: $x = 3.5$

3. The x -intercepts are $(-8, 0)$ and $(-2, 0)$.

$$x = \frac{-8+(-2)}{2} = \frac{-10}{2} = -5$$

Axis of Symmetry: $x = -5$

4. The x -intercepts are $(-3.5, 0)$ and $(4.1, 0)$.

$$x = \frac{-3.5+4.1}{2} = \frac{0.6}{2} = 0.3$$

Axis of Symmetry: $x = 0.3$

Finding the Vertex

Follow These Steps!

1. Find the axis of symmetry (AOS). *This is the x -coordinate of the vertex!*
2. Plug the AOS in for x and solve the quadratic equation. *This is y -coordinate of the vertex!*

Let's Look at an Example! How do we find the vertex of a quadratic function given the x -intercepts?

Determine the vertex for a parabola given the quadratic function: $f(x) = (x + 2)(x - 2)$ and the x -intercepts $(-2, 0)$ and $(2, 0)$.

1. Find the axis of symmetry: $x = \frac{-2+2}{2} = \frac{0}{2} = 0$

2. Let $x = 0$ and solve for y (or $f(x)$): $f(0) = (0 + 2)(0 - 2) = 2 \cdot (-2) = -4$

The vertex is $(0, -4)$.

Determine the vertex of a parabola given the quadratic function and the x -intercepts.

1. The quadratic function is $f(x) = (x + 3)(x + 1)$ and the x -intercepts are $(-3, 0)$ and $(-1, 0)$.

$$x = \frac{-3+(-1)}{2} = \frac{-4}{2} = -2$$

$$f(-2) = (-2 + 3)(-2 + 1) = (1)(-1) = -1$$

The vertex is $(-2, -1)$.

2. The quadratic function is $f(x) = (x + 5)(x - 3)$ and the x -intercepts are $(-5, 0)$ and $(3, 0)$.

$$x = \frac{-5+3}{2} = \frac{-2}{2} = -1$$

$$f(-1) = (-1 + 5)(-1 - 3) = (4)(-4) = -16$$

The vertex is $(-1, -16)$.

3. The quadratic function is $f(x) = (x - 2)(x - 12)$ and the x -intercepts are $(2, 0)$ and $(12, 0)$.

$$x = \frac{2+12}{2} = \frac{14}{2} = 7$$

$$f(7) = (7 - 2)(7 - 12) = (5)(-5) = -25$$

The vertex is $(7, -25)$.

Graphing a Quadratic Function

Putting It All Together!

1. Use the quadratic equation written in factored form to find the x -intercepts.
2. Use the x -intercepts to find the axis of symmetry.
3. Use the axis of symmetry to find the vertex.
4. Graph all 3 points: the x -intercepts and the vertex to form a U-shaped curve called a parabola.

Quadratic Equation \rightarrow x -intercepts \rightarrow Axis of Symmetry \rightarrow Vertex \rightarrow Parabola

Let's Look at an Example! How do we graph a quadratic function?

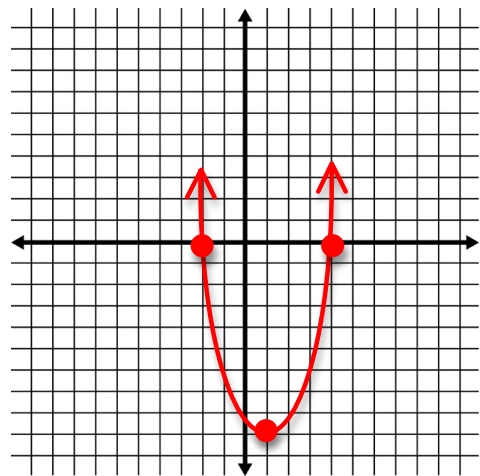
$$f(x) = (x - 4)(x + 2)$$

x -intercepts: $(4, 0)$ and $(-2, 0)$

$$\text{axis of symmetry: } x = \frac{4 + (-2)}{2} = \frac{2}{2} = 1$$

$$f(1) = (1 - 4)(1 + 2) = (-3)(3) = -9,$$

so the vertex is $(1, -9)$



Identify the x -intercepts and the vertex. Then, graph each of the quadratic functions.

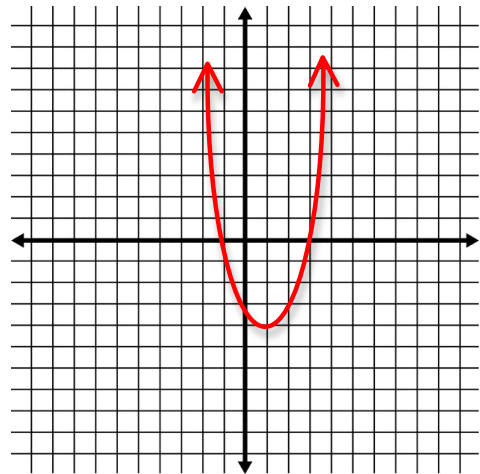
1. $f(x) = (x + 1)(x - 3)$

x -intercepts: $(-1, 0)$ and $(3, 0)$

$$\text{axis of symmetry: } x = \frac{-1 + 3}{2} = \frac{2}{2} = 1$$

$$f(1) = (1 + 1)(1 - 3) = (2)(-2) = -4,$$

so the vertex is $(1, -4)$

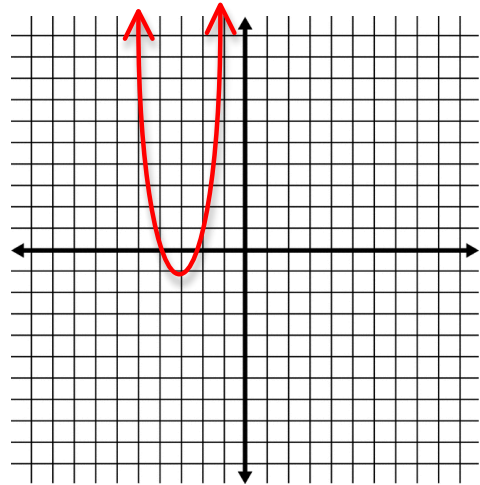


2. $f(x) = (x + 2)(x + 4)$

x -intercepts: $(-2, 0)$ and $(-4, 0)$

axis of symmetry: $x = \frac{-2 + (-4)}{2} = \frac{-6}{2} = -3$

$f(-3) = (-3 + 2)(-3 + 4) = (-1)(1) = -1,$
so the vertex is $(-3, -1)$



3. $f(x) = -x(x - 4)$

x -intercepts: $(0, 0)$ and $(4, 0)$

axis of symmetry: $x = \frac{0 + 4}{2} = \frac{4}{2} = 2$

$f(2) = (-2)(2 - 4) = (-2)(-2) = 4,$
so the vertex is $(2, 4)$

