

Mini Lecture 10.2
Solving Quadratic Equations by Completing the Square

Learning Objectives:

1. Complete the square of a binomial.
2. Solve quadratic equations by completing the square.

Examples:

1. Complete the square for each binomial by adding “one-half the coefficient of the x term squared.” Then factor the resulting perfect square trinomial.

a. $x^2 + 2x + \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ b. $x^2 + 8x + \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

c. $x^2 - 16x + \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ d. $x^2 + 10x + \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

e. $x^2 - 14x + \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ f. $x^2 + 3x + \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

g. $x^2 - 6x + \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

2. Solve each quadratic equation by completing the square.

a. $x^2 = 11x - 30$

b. $x^2 + 2x - 8 = 0$

c. $x^2 = 4x - 1$

d. $16x^2 = 8x + 3$

e. $x^2 + 12x + 12 = 0$

f. $x^2 + \frac{8}{3}x = 1$

g. $x^2 - 6x = 3$

Teaching Notes:

- Remind students that in order to complete the square the leading coefficient must be 1 and there must be an x^2 term and an x term.
- When using completing the square to solve a quadratic equation, the variable terms must be on one side of the equation and the constant term on the other side before starting the process.

Answers: 1. a. $x^2 + 2x + 1 = (x + 1)^2$ b. $x^2 + 8x + 16 = (x + 4)^2$ c. $x^2 - 16x + 64 = (x - 8)^2$

d. $x^2 + 10x + 25 = (x + 5)^2$ e. $x^2 - 14x + 49 = (x - 7)^2$ f. $x^2 + 3x + \frac{9}{4} = (x + \frac{3}{2})^2$

g. $x^2 - 6x + 9 = (x - 3)^2$ 2. a. 6, 5 b. 4, -2 c. $2 \pm \sqrt{3}$ d. $\frac{3}{4}, -\frac{1}{4}$ e. $-6 \pm 2\sqrt{6}$ f. $\frac{1}{3}, -3$

g. $3 \pm 2\sqrt{3}$

Mini Lecture 10.3 The Quadratic Formula

Learning Objectives:

1. Solve quadratic equations using the quadratic formula.
2. Determine the most efficient method to use when solving quadratic equations.
3. Solve problems using quadratic equations.

Examples:

1. Solve each equation using the quadratic formula.
 - a. $3x^2 + 10x + 3 = 0$
 - b. $x^2 = 5x + 2$
 - c. $x^2 + 3x = -1$
2. Solve each equation by the method of your choice. Simplify irrational solutions, if possible.
 - a. $2x^2 = 40$
 - b. $(x + 4)^2 = 8$
 - c. $3x^2 - 4x + 1 = 0$
 - d. $2x^2 + 7x + 4 = 0$
 - e. $4x^2 + 2x - 5 = 0$
3. A football is kicked straight up from a height of 2 feet with an initial speed of 50 ft. per second. The formula $h = -16t^2 + 50t + 2$ describes the ball's height above the ground, h , in feet, t seconds after it is kicked. Using your calculator, find when the ball will hit the ground. Round to the nearest tenth of a second.

Answers: 1. a. $-\frac{1}{3}, -3$ b. $\frac{5 \pm \sqrt{33}}{2}$ c. $\frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$ 2. a. $x = \pm 2\sqrt{5}$ b. $x = -4 \pm 2\sqrt{2}$
c. $x = \frac{1}{3}, x = 1$ d. $\frac{-7 \pm \sqrt{17}}{4}$ e. $\frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{21}}{4}$ 3. 3.2 seconds

Mini Lecture 10.4

Imaginary Numbers as Solutions of Quadratic Equations

Learning Objectives:

1. Understand the concepts: $i^2 = -1$ and $\sqrt{-1} = i$.
2. Express square roots of negative numbers in terms of i .
3. Solve quadratic equations with imaginary solutions.

Examples:

Write as a multiple of i .

1. a. $\sqrt{-64}$ b. $\sqrt{-4}$ c. $\sqrt{-10}$ d. $\sqrt{-20}$ e. $\sqrt{-40}$ f. $\sqrt{-75}$

Solve each quadratic equation using the square root property.

2. a. $(x-2)^2 = -16$ b. $(x+3)^2 = -1$ c. $x^2 + 4 = 0$

Solve each quadratic equation using the quadratic formula.

3. a. $x^2 + 4x + 7 = 0$ b. $2x^2 + 18 = 0$ c. $6x^2 + 8x = 5$
d. $3x^2 + 16x + 5 = 0$ e. $3x^2 + x = -3$

Teaching Notes:

- When simplifying the square root of -1 , it is helpful to write the “ i ” to the left of the radical so it does not look like the “ i ” is under the radical.
- Always simplify the $\sqrt{-1}$ first.
- Remind students that in order to use the square root property to solve a quadratic equation, there must be a perfect square containing the variable isolated on 1 side of the equation.
- Students need to be cautioned again about watching the signs very carefully when using the quadratic formula.

Answers: 1. a. $8i$ b. $2i$ c. $i\sqrt{10}$ d. $2i\sqrt{5}$ e. $2i\sqrt{10}$ f. $5i\sqrt{3}$ 2. a. $2 \pm 4i$ b. $-3 + i$ c. $\pm 2i$
3. a. $-2 \pm i\sqrt{3}$ b. $3i, -3i$ c. $\frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{46}}{6}$ d. $-\frac{1}{3}, -5$ e. $\frac{-1 \pm i\sqrt{35}}{6}$

Mini Lecture 10.5
Graphs of Quadratic Equations

Learning Objectives:

1. Understand the characteristics of graphs of quadratic equations.
2. Find a parabola's intercepts.
3. Find a parabola's vertex.
4. Graph quadratic equations.
5. Solve problems using a parabola's vertex.

Examples:

1. Consider the quadratic equation: $y = x^2 + 4x + 3$.

- a. Will the parabola open upward or downward?
- b. Complete the table of values and graph the parabola.

x	$y = x^2 + 4x + 3$	(x, y)
-4		
-3		
-2		
-1		
0		
1		
2		

- c. Find the x -intercepts.
- d. Find the y -intercepts.
- e. Find the vertex.

2. Complete the same steps a, b, c, d, e, from number 1 for the equation: $y = -x^2 - 2x - 1$.

Teaching Notes:

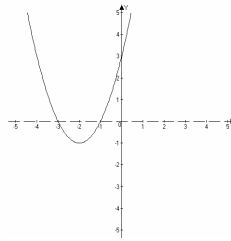
- The graph of quadratic equation $y = ax^2 + bx + c$, $a \neq 0$ is called a parabola. If a is positive, the parabola opens upward. If a is negative, the parabola opens downward.
- The vertex, or turning point, of the parabola is referred to as the maximum if the parabola opens downward and the minimum if the parabola opens upward.
- Parabolas are symmetric with respect to a line known as the axis of symmetry that runs through the vertex. The two halves match exactly.
- To find the x -intercepts, let $y = 0$. Then factor or use the quadratic formula to solve for x .
- To find the y -intercept, let $x = 0$ and solve for y .

- To find the vertex of a parabola with the equation, $y = ax^2 + bx + c$, first solve for x .
 $x = -\frac{b}{2a}$. Then substitute the value of x into the parabola's equation and evaluate.
- After plotting the vertex and intercepts, make sure to connect with a smooth curve.

Answers:

1. a. up
 b.

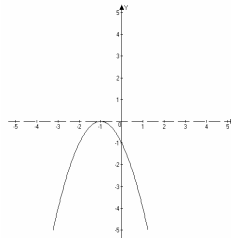
-4	(-4, 3)
-3	(-3, 0)
-2	(-2, -1)
-1	(-1, 0)
0	(0, 3)
1	(1, 8)
2	(2, 15)



- c. x-intercepts (-3, 0)(-1, 0)
 d. y-intercept (0, 3)
 e. vertex (-2, -1)

2. a. down
 b.

-4	(-4, -9)
-3	(-3, -4)
-2	(-2, -1)
-1	(-1, 0)
0	(0, -1)
1	(1, -4)
2	(2, -9)



- c. x-intercept (-1, 0)
 d. y-intercept (0, -1)
 e. vertex (-1, 0)

Teaching Notes:

- Students should understand that every function is a relation BUT not every relation is a function.
- The domain of a relation or a function is all the x -values or possible x -values.
- The range of a relation or a function is all the y -values or possible y -values.
- A function is a relation in which **no two x values are the same**.
- “ $f(x)$ ” and “ y ” are like math synonyms.
- $f(x)$ indicates a function.

Answers: 1. a. function; domain $\{3, 4, 5\}$; range $\{4, 5, 6\}$

b. not a function; domain $\{2, 4, 8\}$; range $\{7, 8, 10, 12\}$

c. function; domain $\{-2, -1, 2, 3\}$; range $\{3\}$

d. function; domain $\{5, -3, 0\}$; range $\{-2, 6\}$

e. not a function; domain $\{7, 6, 5\}$; range $\{0, 5, 7, 9\}$

2. a. $f(x) = -6x + 7$ b. $f(x) = 2x^2 + 5$ 3. a. 4 b. -11 c. -5 4. a. 14 b. 2 c. 8 5. a. 0

b. -21 c. -1 5. a. function b. not a function c. not a function