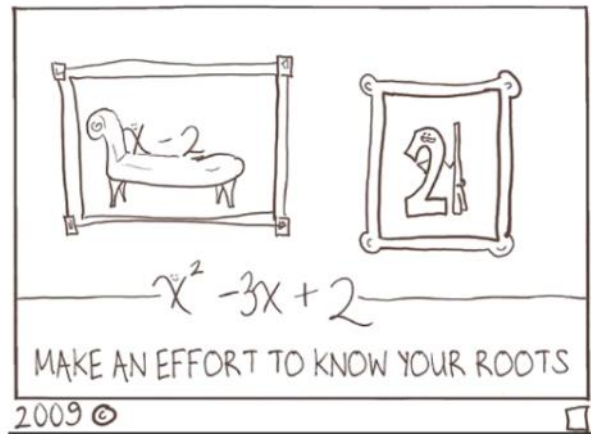


Lesson 3 Quadratic Formula

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Chapter 3 Quadratic Equations

Lesson 3: Solving Equations: Quadratic Formula



Solving Quadratic Equations:

finding values for x that make the equation true

1. Factorization or Zero Product Principle
2. Isolate the variable *square root b/s*
3. **Quadratic Formula**

Quadratic Formula

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

Solution, x , to an equation
in the form:

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$$

ex $3x^2 - 7x + 10 = 0$

derrivation
of QF

This is the original equation.	$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$
Move the loose number to the other side.	$ax^2 + bx = -c$
Divide through by whatever is multiplied on the squared term. Take half of the x -term, and square it.	$x^2 + \frac{b}{a}x = -\frac{c}{a}$ $\frac{b}{2a} \rightarrow \frac{b^2}{4a^2}$
Add the squared term to both sides.	$x^2 + \frac{b}{a}x + \frac{b^2}{4a^2} = -\frac{c}{a} + \frac{b^2}{4a^2}$
Simplify on the right-hand side; in this case, simplify by converting to a common denominator.	$x^2 + \frac{b}{a}x + \frac{b^2}{4a^2} = -\frac{4ac}{4a^2} + \frac{b^2}{4a^2}$
Convert the left-hand side to square form (and do a bit more simplifying on the right).	$\left(x + \frac{b}{2a}\right)^2 = \frac{b^2 - 4ac}{4a^2}$
Square-root both sides, remembering to put the " \pm " on the right.	$x + \frac{b}{2a} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{b^2 - 4ac}{4a^2}} = \pm \frac{\sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$
Solve for " x ", and simplify as necessary.	$x = -\frac{b}{2a} \pm \frac{\sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$

To use the Quadratic Formula

- quadratic equation in general form = 0
- there are no brackets on the LHS
- identify "a" "b" and "c"

$$|x^2 + 7x = -12$$

$$|x^2 + 7x + 12 = 0$$

① $a=1$
 $b=7$
 $c=12$

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

② $\Delta = b^2 - 4ac$
 $= (7)^2 - (4)(1)(12)$
 $= 49 - 48$
 $= 1$

③ $x = \frac{-7 \pm \sqrt{1}}{2(1)} = \frac{-7 \pm 1}{2}$

$\rightarrow x_1 = \frac{-7+1}{2} = -3$

$\rightarrow x_2 = \frac{-7-1}{2} = -4$

discriminant: tells you how many solutions (roots) to a quadratic equation.

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

$$\Delta = b^2 - 4ac$$

$\Delta > 0$  2 real roots

$\Delta < 0$  NO real roots

$\Delta = 0$  1 real root

example

① $3x^2 - 11x - 4 = 0$

$a = 3$

$b = -11$

$c = -4$

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

② $\Delta = (-11)^2 - 4(3)(-4)$

$= 121 + 48$

$= 169$

$\Delta +$
 $\therefore 2$
solutions

③ $x = \frac{-(-11) \pm \sqrt{169}}{2(3)}$

$= \frac{11 \pm 13}{6}$

$x_1 = \frac{11+13}{6} = \frac{24}{6}$

$x_2 = \frac{11-13}{6} = \frac{-2}{6}$

$x = \left\{ -\frac{1}{3}, 4 \right\}$

example

① $x^2 - 6x + 9 = 0$

$a = 1$

$b = -6$

$c = 9$

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

② $\Delta = (-6)^2 - 4(1)(9)$

$= 36 - 36$

$= 0$

\therefore one
solution

③ $x = \frac{-(-6) \pm \sqrt{0}}{2(1)}$

$= \frac{6}{2} = 3$

$x = \{3\}$

example

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

$$x^2 - x + 1 = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} a &= 1 \\ b &= -1 \\ c &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta &= (-1)^2 - 4(1)(1) \\ &= 1 - 4 \\ &= -3 \quad \Delta - \\ &\text{No solution} \end{aligned}$$

$$x = \{ \} \text{ or } x = \emptyset$$

example

$$2x^2 = x^2 + 4x + 37$$

$$2x^2 - x^2 - 4x + 37 = 0$$

$$x^2 - 4x - 37 = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} \quad a &= 1 \\ b &= -4 \\ c &= -37 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{2} \quad \Delta &= (-4)^2 - 4(1)(-37) \\ &= 16 + 148 \\ &= 164 \quad \Delta + \therefore \\ &\quad 2 \text{ sol}^{\text{ns}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{3} \quad x &= \frac{-(-4) \pm \sqrt{164}}{2(1)} \\ &= \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{164}}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$x_1 = \frac{4 + \sqrt{164}}{2} \approx 8.403$$

$$x_2 = \frac{4 - \sqrt{164}}{2} \approx -4.403$$

$$x = \{-4.403, 8.403\}$$

example

$$x^2 = -7x$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad x^2 + 7x = 0$$

$$a = 1$$

$$b = 7$$

$$c = 0$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \Delta = (7)^2 - (4)(1)(0) \\ = 49$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad x = \frac{-7 \pm \sqrt{49}}{2(1)} \\ = \frac{-7 \pm 7}{2}$$

$\Delta +$
 $\therefore 2$
solutions

$$x_1 = \frac{-7+7}{2} \\ = 0$$

$$x_2 = \frac{-7-7}{2} \\ = -7$$

$$x = \{0, -7\}$$

example

$$-32x = 21 - 5x^2$$

$$5x^2 - 32x - 21 = 0$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad a = 5$$

$$b = -32$$

$$c = -21$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \Delta = (-32)^2 - 4(5)(-21) \\ = 1024 + 420 \\ = 1444$$

$\Delta +$
2 solutions

$$\textcircled{3} \quad x = \frac{-(-32) \pm \sqrt{1444}}{2(5)}$$

$$= \frac{32 \pm 38}{10}$$

$\rightarrow x_1 = \frac{70}{10} = 7$

$$\rightarrow x_2 = \frac{-6}{10} = -\frac{3}{5}$$

$$x = \left\{ -\frac{3}{5}, 7 \right\}$$

example of a quadratic equation in a word problem

The value, in cents, of a share is given by $V = 2t^2 - 16t + 40$

where t represents the number of weeks since the share was purchased.

a) After how many weeks is the share worth

58 cents?

∴ find t , when $V = 58$

b) Will the value of the share ever drop to 6 cents?

a) ∴ find t , when $V = 6$

$$2t^2 - 16t + 40 = 58$$

$$2t^2 - 16t - 18 = 0$$

$$t^2 - 8t - 9 = 0$$

use Q.F. or Z.P.P.

$$\begin{array}{l} (t-9)(t+1) = 0 \\ \hline t-9=0 \quad | \quad t+1=0 \\ t=9 \quad \quad | \quad t=-1 \end{array}$$

after 9 weeks

weeks cannot be negative

b) $2t^2 - 16t + 40 = 6$

$$2t^2 - 16t + 34 = 0$$

$$t^2 - 8t + 17 = 0$$

$$a = 1$$

$$b = -8$$

$$c = 17$$

$$\Delta = (-8)^2 - 4(1)(17)$$

$$= 64 - 68$$

$$= -4$$

Δ is neg

∴ no solution

it can never drop to 6 cents

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9. Using the sign of the discriminant, indicate the number of solutions to the following equations.

- a) $2x^2 + 3x - 2 = 0$ b) $-2x^2 - 5x + 3 = 0$
 c) $4x^2 + 12x + 9 = 0$ d) $-x^2 + x - 1 = 0$
 e) $x^2 - 6x = 0$ f) $2x^2 - 8 = 0$
 g) $x(x - 3) = -2$ h) $-x^2 + 2x - 1 = 0$

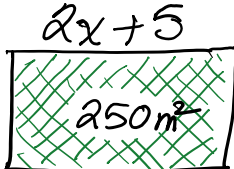
10. Solve the equations of the preceding exercise using the discriminant method.

- a) $s = -2 \frac{1}{2}$ b) $s = \frac{1}{2}, -3$ c) $s = -\frac{3}{2}$ d) $s = \emptyset$
 e) $s = 0, 6$ f) $s = -2, 2$ g) $s = 1, 2$ h) $s = 1$

a) $\Delta = (3)^2 - 4(2)(-2) = 25$ (2)
 b) $\Delta = (5)^2 - 4(-2)(3) = 49$ (2)
 c) $\Delta = (12)^2 - 4(4)(9) = 0$ (1)
 d) $\Delta = (1)^2 - 4(-1)(-1) = -3$ \emptyset
 e) $\Delta = (6)^2 - 4(1)(0) = 36$ (2)
 f) $\Delta = (0)^2 - 4(2)(-8) = 64$ (2)
 g) $\Delta = (-3)^2 - 4(1)(2) = 1$ (2)
 h) $\Delta = (2)^2 - 4(-1)(-1) = 0$ (1)

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The length of a rectangular field measures 5 m more than twice its width. If the total area is equal to 250 m^2 , what is the perimeter of the field?

(2)  x (1) $(x)(2x+5) = 250$
 $2x^2 + 5x - 250 = 0$

Q.F.
 $a = 2$ $\Delta = b^2 - 4ac$
 $b = 5$ (3) $= (5)^2 - 4(2)(-250)$
 $c = -250$ $= 25 + 2000$
 $= 2025$ $\Delta + 2 \text{ solutions}$

(4) $x = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{2025}}{2(2)}$
 $x = \frac{-5 \pm 45}{4}$
 $x_1 = \frac{-5 + 45}{4} = 10$
 $x_2 = \frac{-5 - 45}{4} = -12.5$ reject b/c dimensions cannot be negative

$\therefore P = (10 + 25) \times 2 = 70 \text{ m}$

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A mother is presently 5 years older than twice her daughter's age. Ten years ago, the product of the mother and daughter's ages was equal to 125. What is the mother's present age?

	now	then ^{10 years ago}
mom	$2x+5$	$2x+5-10$
daughter	x	$x-10$

① $(2x-5)(x-10) = 125$
 $2x^2 - 20x - 5x + 50 = 125$
 $2x^2 - 25x - 75 = 0$

② Q.F.
 $a = 2$
 $b = -25$
 $c = -75$

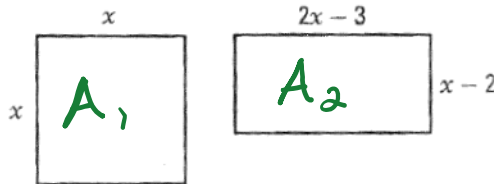
③ $\Delta = (-25)^2 - 4(2)(-75)$
 $= 1225$ $\Delta + 2$ solutions

④ $x = \frac{-(-25) \pm \sqrt{1225}}{2(2)}$
 $x_1 = 15$ $x_2 = -2.5$ reject a negative age

\therefore mom is 35

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Square and rectangle have equal area. What is the actual perimeter of the rectangle?



$$A_1 = A_2$$

$$x^2 = (2x-3)(x-2)$$

$$x^2 = 2x^2 - 4x - 3x + 6$$

$$0 = x^2 - 7x + 6$$

Z.P.P. $0 = (x-6)(x-1)$

$$\begin{array}{l|l} x-6=0 & x-1=0 \\ x=6 & x=1 \end{array}$$

reject as it will give a negative dimension

$$2(6)-3=9$$

$$6-2=4$$

$$P = 9+4+9+4$$

$$\therefore P = 26$$

you can now do;

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