

Factored Form of a Quadratic Relation

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Recall

If the vertex is (h, k) , then the equation of the axis of symmetry is $x = h$.

There are several different ways to write the equation of a line. What are two ways of writing the equation of a line that you learned in grade 9?

$$y = mx + b \quad \text{or} \quad ax + by + c = 0$$

Definitions:

Term part of an algebraic expression, separated from the rest by plus or minus signs.

For example in $2x^2 + x - 10$, the terms are $2x^2$, x and -10

Polynomial an algebraic expression consisting of one or more terms, can be written in the form $a + bx + cx^2 + \dots$, where a , b , and c, \dots are numbers.

Some examples ^{of polynomial} are: x^3 , $x^2 + 1$, 7 , $x^3 + x^2 + x + 5$

The degree of a one-variable polynomial is the highest exponent that appears in any term of the expanded form of the polynomial.

Example 1 Determine the degree of each polynomial

a) $2x - 2$

1

b) $3r^2$

2

c) $2x^3 - 3x^2 + x - 4$

3

d) $x^2 + 3x - 1$

2

e) $x(x + 2)$

$$= x^2 + 2x$$

2

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

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

$$= x^5 - 3x^2$$

$\therefore 5$

g) $x(x^2 + 2x + 1)$

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

$\therefore 3$

*A quadratic relation has degree of 2.

There are 3 different ways to write a quadratic relation.

1) The Standard Form of a quadratic relation is $y = ax^2 + bx + c$

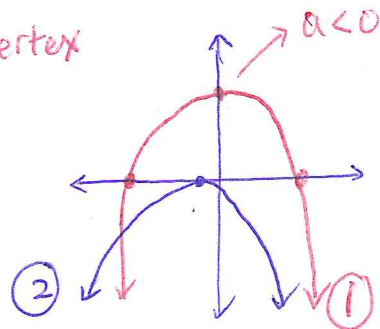
2) The Factored Form of a quadratic relations is $y = a(x - r)(x - s)$

FINALLY! A reason to factor!! ☺

Direction of opening

If $a > 0$, the parabola opens UP and has a minimum.

If $a < 0$, the parabola opens down and has a maximum.



Number of zeros

$$Y = a(x-r)(x-s)$$

① If $r \neq s$, then the relation has two zeros (= two x intercepts)

② If $r = s$, then the relation has one zero (= one x intercept)

also known as

Example 1 Find the zeros a.k.a. x -intercepts of the parabola described by $y = (x+3)(x-5)$

Zeros $\Rightarrow y = 0$

$$0 = (x+3)(x-5)$$

similar to $0 = A \cdot B \rightarrow$ If $A=0 \rightarrow C$
" $B=0 \rightarrow C$

$$x+3=0 \quad \text{or} \quad x-5=0$$

$$x=-3$$

$$x=5$$

\therefore zeros are $(-3, 0)$ and $(5, 0)$

$$(-3, 0)$$

$$(5, 0)$$

Example 2 Describe the graph of the quadratic relation $y = 2(x+1)(x-7)$.

Find the

a) x -intercepts (YES, you must show all work) $\rightarrow y = 0$

$$0 = 2(x+1)(x-7)$$

$$x+1=0$$

$$x-7=0$$

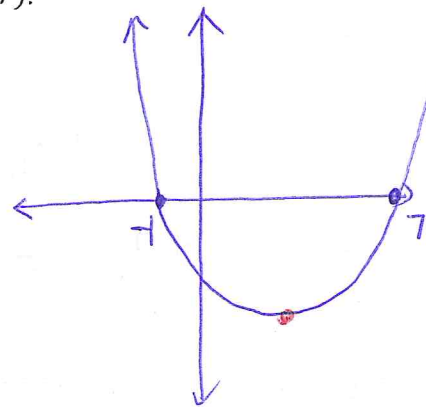
$$x=-1$$

$$\therefore (-1, 0)$$

$$x=7$$

$$\therefore (7, 0)$$

b) vertex $\rightarrow (h, k)$



$$h = \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2} = \frac{-1 + 7}{2} = 3$$

Sub $x=3$ into equation

$$\therefore \text{Vertex} = (3, -32)$$

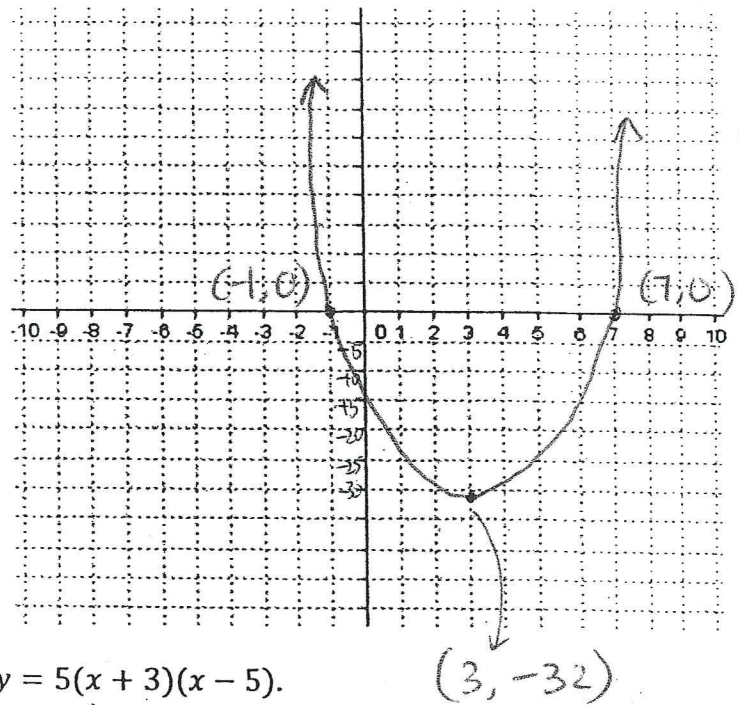
$$y = 2(3+1)(3-7)$$

$$y = 2(4) \cdot (-4) = -32$$

c) axis of symmetry

$$x = 3$$

d) sketch the graph



Example 3 Try it yourself: For the graph $y = 5(x + 3)(x - 5)$.

Find the

a) x-intercepts (Show all work!) $\rightarrow y = 0$

$$0 = 5(x + 3)(x - 5)$$

\therefore Two x intercepts are $(-3, 0)$ and

$$x + 3 = 0$$

$$x - 5 = 0$$

$$x = -3$$

$$x = 5$$

$(5, 0)$

$$\therefore (-3, 0) \quad \therefore (5, 0)$$

b) vertex

$$\hat{=} (h, k)$$

$$h = \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2} = \frac{-3 + 5}{2} = \frac{2}{2} = 1$$

sub $x = 1 \rightarrow$ equation

$$y = 5(1 + 3)(1 - 5)$$

$$y = 5 \cdot (4) \cdot (-4)$$

$$y = -80 \quad \therefore \text{Vertex} = (1, -80)$$

c) axis of symmetry

$$x = 1$$

d) sketch the graph

