

Warm-up

① Find the vertex by
Completing the square

$$f(x) = [-x^2 + 6x] - 27$$

$$- [(x^2 - 6x + k) - k] - 27$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{2} \text{middle}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{1}{2}(6)\right)^2 \\ = (-3)^2 = 9$$

$$= - [(x^2 - 6x + 9) - 9] - 27$$

$$= - [(x - 3)^2 - 9] - 27$$

$$= - (x - 3)^2 + 9 - 27$$

$$= - (x - 3)^2 - 18$$

$$a(x-h)^2 + k$$

$$h = 3, k = -18$$

$$\boxed{(3, -18)}$$

② Find the x-intercepts
by Completing the Square

$$f(x) = [4x^2 + 7x] + \frac{3}{2}$$

$$= 4 \left[\left(x^2 + \frac{7}{4}x + k \right) - k \right] + \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{1}{2} \text{middle} \right)^2 &= \left(\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{7}{4} \right)^2 \\ &= \left(\frac{7}{8} \right)^2 = \frac{49}{64} \end{aligned}$$

$$= 4 \left[\left(x^2 + \frac{7}{4}x + \frac{49}{64} \right) - \frac{49}{64} \right] + \frac{3}{2}$$

$$= 4 \left[\left(x + \frac{7}{8} \right)^2 - \frac{49}{64} \right] + \frac{3}{2}$$

$$= 4 \left(x + \frac{7}{8} \right)^2 - \frac{49}{16} + \frac{3 \times 8}{2 \times 8}$$

$$= 4 \left(x + \frac{7}{8} \right)^2 - \frac{49}{16} + \frac{24}{16}$$

$$= 4 \left(x + \frac{7}{8} \right)^2 - \frac{25}{16} = 0$$

$$\div 4 \quad 4 \left(x + \frac{7}{8}\right)^2 = \frac{25}{16} \quad \div 4$$

$$\left(x + \frac{7}{8}\right)^2 = \frac{25}{64}$$

$$x + \frac{7}{8} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{25}{64}}$$

$$x + \frac{7}{8} = \pm \frac{5}{8}$$

$$x = -\frac{7}{8} \pm \frac{5}{8}$$

$$x_1 = -\frac{7}{8} + \frac{5}{8} = -\frac{2}{8} = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$$x_2 = -\frac{7}{8} - \frac{5}{8} = -\frac{12}{8} = -\frac{3}{2}$$

$$\left(-\frac{1}{4}, 0\right), \left(-\frac{3}{2}, 0\right)$$

Vertex Shortcut (2.3)

To get the shortcut, we need to complete the square with variables instead of numbers.

$$f(x) = [ax^2 + bx] + c$$

$$= a \left[x^2 + \frac{b}{a}x + k \right] - k + c$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{2} \text{middle}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{1}{2} \frac{b}{a}\right)^2$$
$$= \left(\frac{b}{2a}\right)^2 = \frac{b^2}{4a^2}$$

$$= a \left[x^2 + \frac{b}{a}x + \frac{b^2}{4a^2} \right] - \frac{b^2}{4a^2} + c$$

$$= a \left[\left(x + \frac{b}{2a}\right)^2 - \frac{b^2}{4a^2} \right] + c$$

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

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

$$a(x-h)^2 + k$$

Vertex (h, k)

$$h = -\frac{b}{2a}$$

$$k = -\frac{b^2}{4a} + c$$

Note: 'a' is the same in general and standard form

Ex 1 Find the vertex, y-intercept and x-intercepts for $f(x) = -3x^2 + 6x + 4$

Vertex: $h = \frac{-b}{2a}$

(h, k) $= \frac{-6}{2(-3)} = \frac{-6}{-6} = 1$

$a = -3$

$b = 6$

$c = 4$

↑
x value vertex

① $k = -\frac{b^2}{4a} + c$

② $k = f(1) = -3(1)^2 + 6(1) + 4$

$= -3 + 6 + 4$

$= 7$

$k = -\frac{6^2}{4(-3)} + 4$

$= \frac{-36}{-12} + 4$

$= 3 + 4 = 7$

$(1, 7)$

y-int: $f(0) = -3(0)^2 + 6(0) + 4$
 $= 4$

x-ints: use standard form

$$f(x) = a(x-h)^2 + k$$

$$= -3(x-1)^2 + 7 = 0$$

$$-3(x-1)^2 = -7$$

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

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

$$x = 1 \pm \sqrt{\frac{7}{3}}$$

$$x_1 = 1 + \sqrt{\frac{7}{3}} \approx 2.53$$

$$x_2 = 1 - \sqrt{\frac{7}{3}} \approx -0.53$$

For the graph

$$\left(1 + \sqrt{\frac{7}{3}}, 0\right), \left(1 - \sqrt{\frac{7}{3}}, 0\right)$$

