

Finding Quadratic Equations + General to Standard Form

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Today: lots of notes 2.1/2.2

Thurs: work @ Conference (6th Camp)

next TU: Go over test and 2.1/2.2

next Th: 2.1/2.2 Quiz

2.1 | Finding quadratic Equations

If you have information about a quadratic and you want to find the equation \Rightarrow

USE Standard form

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

vertex:
(h, k)

To get 'a', need one other point

Ex 1 Find Equation

① Vertex $(3, -5)$

$$f(x) = a(x-3)^2 - 5$$

$$a > 0$$

② Other Point

$(2, -3)$

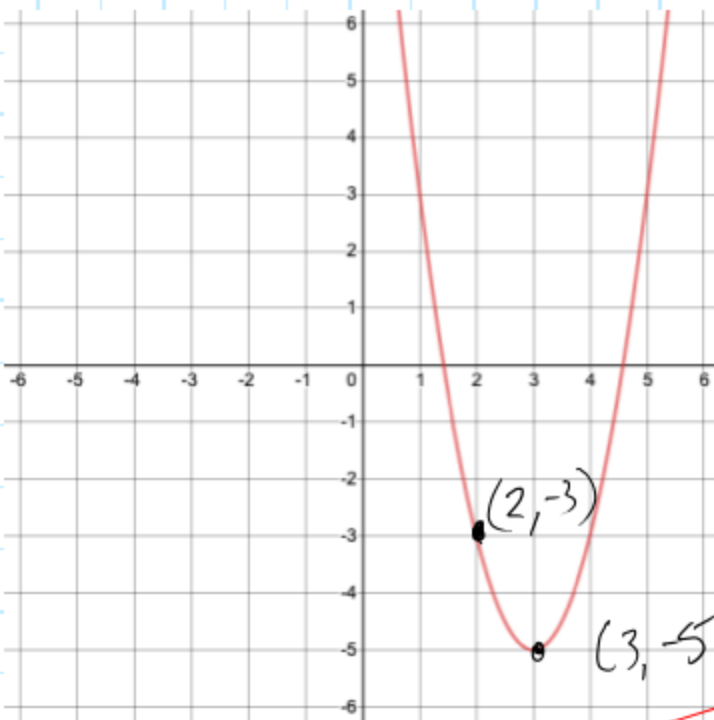
$$f(2) = -3 = a(2-3)^2 - 5$$

$$-3 = a(-1)^2 - 5$$

$$-3 = a - 5$$

$$2 = a$$

$$f(x) = 2(x-3)^2 - 5$$



Ex 2 A quadratic has a minimum at $(-4, -5)$ and passes through $(2, 7)$.
Find the equation.

(Handwritten notes: red arrows point from "minimum" to $(-4, -5)$ and from "vertex" to $(-4, -5)$. "a > 0" is written in red.)

① vertex $(-4, -5)$

$$f(x) = a(x - (-4))^2 - 5$$

$$f(x) = a(x + 4)^2 - 5$$

② other point $(2, 7)$

$$f(2) = 7 = a(2 + 4)^2 - 5$$

$$7 = 36a - 5$$

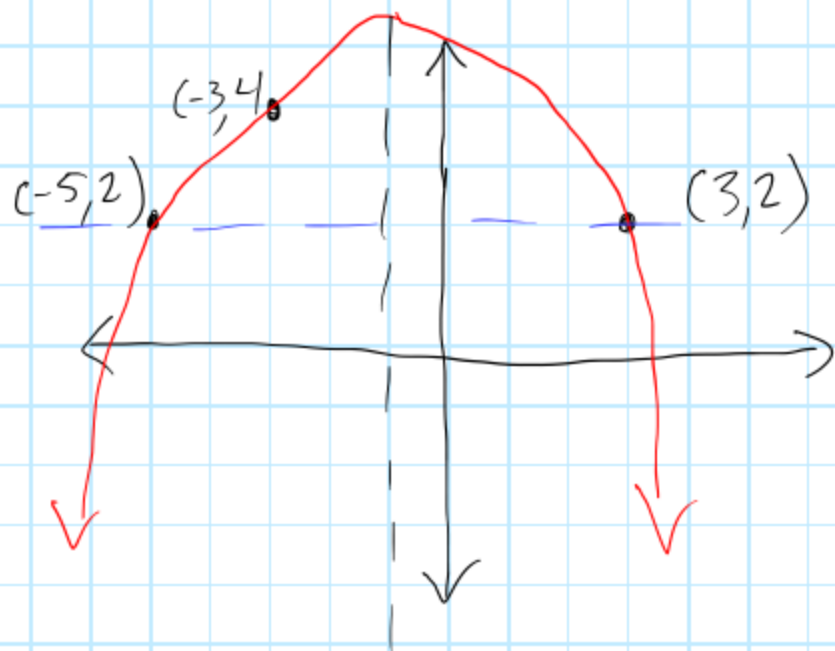
$$12 = 36a$$

$$\frac{12}{36} = a = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{3}(x + 4)^2 - 5$$

Ex 3 A parabola passes through $(-5, 2)$, $(3, 2)$, $(-3, 4)$. Find equation.

If you don't have vertex, draw a picture



① Down $a < 0$

② Axis of Symmetry

Middle of $(-5, 2)$ and $(3, 2)$

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

$$C(x) = a(x - h)^2 + k \quad \underline{x = -1}$$

$$f(x) = a(x - (-1))^2 + k \quad \underline{x = -1}$$
$$= a(x+1)^2 + k$$

② Sub in a point (mirror point)

$$(3, 2) \quad f(3) = 2 = a(3+1)^2 + k$$

$$2 = 16a + k$$

$$\textcircled{i} \quad \underline{2 - 16a = k}$$

③ Sub in another point (NOT mirror point)

$$(-3, 4) \Rightarrow f(-3) = 4 = a(-3+1)^2 + k$$

$$4 = 4a + k$$

$$\textcircled{ii} \quad \underline{4 - 4a = k}$$

4) use both (i) and (ii) to solve for a, k

$$(i) \quad 2 - 16a = k$$

$$(ii) \quad 4 - 4a = k$$

$$\begin{array}{r} +16a \quad \quad \quad +16a \\ 2 - 16a = 4 - 4a \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -4 \quad \quad -4 \\ 2 = 4 + 12a \end{array}$$

$$-2 = 12a$$

$$\underline{-\frac{1}{6} = a}$$

$$(ii) \quad 4 - 4\left(-\frac{1}{6}\right) = k$$

$$4 + \frac{4}{6} = k = 4 + \frac{2}{3} = \frac{12}{3} + \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\underline{k = \frac{14}{3}}$$

$$f(x) = -\frac{1}{6}(x+1)^2 + \frac{14}{3}$$

2.2

General to Standard form

Standard to general is easy.

$$f(x) = 3(x-4)^2 - 2 \Rightarrow \text{expand}$$

$$= 3(x-4)(x-4) - 2$$

Perfect Square

$$= 3(x^2 - 8x + 16) - 2$$

$$= 3x^2 - 12x - 12x + 48 - 2$$

$$= 3x^2 - 24x + 46$$

Going backwards is harder...

To go backwards, we need to make a perfect square (Completing the Square)

Ex 1 Find k so that the trinomial contains a perfect square

a) $x^2 - 16x + k$

$$\sqrt{\text{1st}} = \sqrt{x^2} = x$$

$$\sqrt{\text{last}} = \sqrt{k}$$

Middle: $\pm 2(x)(\sqrt{k}) = -16x$

$$-2\sqrt{k} = -16$$

$$(\sqrt{k})^2 = 8^2$$

$$k = 64$$

$$x^2 - 16x + 64 = (x - 8)^2$$

b) $-2x^2 + 12x + k$

$$-2\left(x^2 - 6x + \frac{k}{-2}\right)$$

$$\sqrt{\text{1st}} = \sqrt{x^2} = x$$

$$\sqrt{\text{last}} = \sqrt{\frac{k}{-2}}$$

Middle: $\pm 2(x)(\sqrt{\frac{k}{-2}}) = -6x$

$$-2\sqrt{\frac{k}{-2}} = -6$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{k}{-2}} = 3$$

$$\frac{k}{-2} = 9$$

$$= (x-8)$$

$$\frac{k}{-2} = 9$$

$$k = -18$$

$$-2 \left(x^2 - 6x + \frac{-18}{-2} \right)$$

$$-2 (x^2 - 6x + 9)$$

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

Ex 3 Complete the Square to Convert to standard form

a) $f(x) = [x^2 + 10x] + 22$ ← ignore

$$= [(x^2 + 10x + k) - k] + 22$$

$$\sqrt{1st} = \sqrt{x^2} = x$$

$$\sqrt{last} = \sqrt{k}$$

middle: $\oplus 2(x)(\sqrt{k}) = 10x$

$$2\sqrt{k} = 10$$

$$\sqrt{k} = 5$$

$$\underline{k = 25}$$

Short cut
(Middle $\div 2$)²

$$= (10 \div 2)^2$$

$$= 5^2$$

$$= 25$$

$$f(x) = [(x^2 + 10x + 25) - 25] + 22$$

$$= [(x+5)^2 - 25] + 22$$

$$f(x) = (x+5)^2 - 3 \quad \text{vertex: } (-5, -3)$$

x-ints: $(x+5)^2 - 3 = 0$

$$(x+5)^2 = 3$$

$$x+5 = \pm\sqrt{3}$$

$$x = -5 \pm \sqrt{3}$$

Can't get easily by factoring

$$(-5 + \sqrt{3}, 0), (-5 - \sqrt{3}, 0)$$

b) $f(x) = [-2x^2 - 3x] - 3$ ← ignore

$$= -2 \left[x^2 + \frac{3}{2}x \right] - 3$$

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

Shortcut:

$$\text{middle} \div 2 = \frac{3}{2} \div 2 = \frac{3}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$k = (\text{middle} \div 2)^2 = \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2 = \frac{9}{16}$$

$$= -2 \left[(x^2 + \frac{3}{2}x + \frac{9}{16}) - \frac{9}{16} \right] - 3$$

$$= -2 \left[(x + \frac{3}{4})^2 - \frac{9}{16} \right] - 3$$

$$= -2(x + \frac{3}{4})^2 + (-2)(-\frac{9}{16}) - 3$$

$$= -2(x + \frac{3}{4})^2 + \frac{9}{8} - 3$$

$$= -2 \left(x + \frac{3}{4}\right)^2 + \frac{9}{8} - \frac{24}{8}$$

$$\boxed{= -2 \left(x + \frac{3}{4}\right)^2 - \frac{15}{8}}$$

Vertex:

$$\left(-\frac{3}{4}, -\frac{15}{8}\right)$$

x-ints:

$$-2 \left(x + \frac{3}{4}\right)^2 - \frac{15}{8} = 0$$

$$-2 \left(x + \frac{3}{4}\right)^2 = \frac{15}{8}$$

$$\left(x + \frac{3}{4}\right)^2 = -\frac{15}{16}$$

$$x + \frac{3}{4} = \pm \sqrt{-\frac{15}{16}}$$

No root
No x-ints