

## Solving Quadratics by Quadratic Formula

**MGSE9-12.A.REI.4** Solve quadratic equations in one variable.

**MGSE9-12.A.REI.4b** Solve quadratic equations by inspection (e.g., for  $x^2 = 49$ ), taking square roots, factoring, completing the square, and the quadratic formula, as appropriate to the initial form of the equation (limit to real number solutions). Build a function that models a relationship between two quantities.

**What am I learning today?**

How to solve a quadratic using the quadratic formula and square-roots

**How will I show that I learned it?**

Use factoring, the quadratic formula, or square-roots to solve a quadratic

$$\underline{x^2 + 5x + 8 = 0}$$

$$a=1 \quad b=5 \quad c=8$$

$$b^2 - 4ac$$
$$(5)^2 - 4(1)(8) = -7$$

$$x^2 + 5x + 4 = 0$$

$$(x + 4)(x + 1) = 0$$

$$x + 4 = 0$$

$$x = -4$$

$$x + 1 = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{c} -1 \quad -1 \\ x = -1 \end{array}$$

M	A
4	5
4 · 1	4 + 1

$$x^2 + 5x + 4 = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} a &= 1 \\ b &= 5 \\ c &= 4 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{b^2 - 4ac}{(5)^2 - 4(1)(4)} = 9$$

2  $\mathbb{R}$  rational roots

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

$$\frac{-b \pm \sqrt{9}}{2a} = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{9}}{2(1)}$$

$$= \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{9}}{2}$$

$$\frac{-5 + \sqrt{9}}{2}$$

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

$$= -1$$

$$\frac{-5 - \sqrt{9}}{2}$$

$$\frac{-5 - 3}{2} = \frac{-8}{2}$$

$$= -4$$

The Quadratic Formula is...

discriminant

The answer to ALL my problems!

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

Disclosure: Let  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  be real numbers  
where  $a \neq 0$  in an equation:  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$

## Steps to using the Quadratic Formula

1. Rewrite equation in standard form.
2. Identify  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$ .
3. Plug  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  into the formula.
4. Simplify COMPLETELY.

Ex 1.  $x^2 - 5x = 4$   
 $\quad \quad -4 \quad -4$

$$\hline x^2 - 5x - 4 = 0 \quad 1) \checkmark$$

$a=1$   
 $b=-5$   
 $c=-4$

$(-5)^2 - 4(1)(-4) = 41$  dis.  $\checkmark$   
 2)  $\checkmark$   
 3) 2  $\mathbb{R}$  Irrational Roots

4)

$$\frac{-b \pm \sqrt{\text{dis}}}{2a}$$

$$\frac{-(-5) \pm \sqrt{41}}{2(1)}$$

$$\frac{5 + \sqrt{41}}{2}$$

$$\frac{5 - \sqrt{41}}{2}$$

ck  
 $5.70$

$$\frac{5 \pm \sqrt{41}}{2}$$

ck  $-0.70$



Ex 2.  $4x^2 + 10x \overset{+25}{=} -10x - 25$   
 $\quad \quad \quad +10x \quad \cancel{+10x + 25}$

$$a=4 \quad 4x^2 + 20x + 25 = 0$$

$$b=20$$

$$c=25$$

$$(20)^2 - 4(4)(25) = 0 \text{ dis}$$

1  $\mathbb{R}$  rational Root

$$\frac{-b \pm \sqrt{0}}{2a} = \frac{-20 \pm \sqrt{0}}{2(4)}$$

$$\frac{-20 + 0}{8} = \frac{-20}{8} \quad \left| \quad \frac{-20 - 0}{8} = \frac{-20}{8}$$

Reduce

$$\frac{-5}{2} = 2.5$$

Ex 3.  $x^2 - 6x = -10$   
 $+10 \quad +10$

$$\underline{x^2 - 6x + 10 = 0}$$

$a=1$   
 $b=-6$   
 $c=10$

$$(-6)^2 - 4(1)(10) = -4$$

No Real Solutions

Ex. 4

$$\begin{array}{r} 4x^2 + 4x + 6 \\ -x^2 + 2x - 1 \\ \hline 3x^2 + 6x + 5 \end{array} = x^2 - 2x + 1$$

~~$x^2 - 2x + 1$~~

$$3x^2 + 6x + 5 = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} a &= 3 \\ b &= 6 \\ c &= 5 \end{aligned}$$

$$(6)^2 - 4(3)(5) = -24$$

no Real Solutions

$$4. \quad 3x^2 + 12x + 10 = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} a &= 3 \\ b &= 12 \\ c &= 10 \end{aligned}$$

$$(12)^2 - 4(3)(10) = \boxed{24} \text{ Dis}$$

2 R  
irrational  
roots

$$\frac{-b \pm \sqrt{24}}{2a}$$

$$= \frac{-12 \pm \sqrt{24} \cdot 2}{6}$$

$$\frac{-12 \pm 2\sqrt{6}}{6}$$

$$\frac{-12 + 2\sqrt{6}}{6}$$

$$\frac{-6 + \sqrt{6}}{3}$$

$$\frac{-12 - 2\sqrt{6}}{6}$$

$$\frac{-6 - \sqrt{6}}{3}$$

Divide  
by  
2  
to  
simplify

**You Try**. For the following, use the discriminant to find the nature of the roots. Then, solve for any real roots. **Don't forget to set = 0!!!**

1.  $x^2 - 3x + 2 = 0$

4.  $x^2 = x + 4$

2.  $2x^2 - 4x = -3$

5.  $8x^2 + 8 = 2x^2 + 2x + 4$

3.  $5x = 3x^2 + 1$

6.  $3x^2 + 4 = 6x + 1$