

Lesson 6: Equation of a Quadratic Function

Investigate:

1. Using graphing software, graph each of the following quadratic functions. How are the graphs the same? How are they different?

$$f(x) = x^2 - 3x - 10$$

$$g(x) = -2x^2 + 6x + 20$$

$$h(x) = 4x^2 - 12x - 40$$

$$k(x) = -0.5x^2 + 1.5x + 5 \rightarrow 0.5(x^2 - 3x - 10)$$

Same x intercepts

Same AOS

different vertices

different directions of opening

2. Write each function in factored form. What do you notice?

$$f(x) = (x-5)(x+2)$$

$$g(x) = -2(x-5)(x+2)$$

$$h(x) = 4(x-5)(x+2)$$

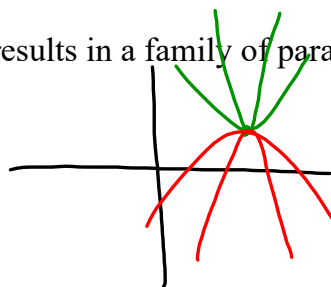
$$k(x) = -0.5(x-5)(x+2)$$

They all have the same r & s.

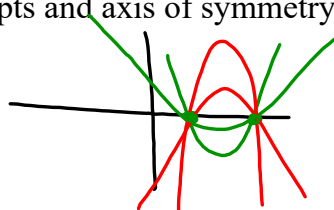
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3. This group of functions forms a **family of quadratic functions**. What is the **common characteristic** of these families?

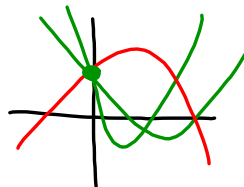
Vertex Form: Where "a" is varied, this results in a family of parabolas with the same vertex and axis of symmetry.



Factored Form: Where "a" is varied, this results in a family of parabolas with the same x-intercepts and axis of symmetry.



Standard Form: Where "a" and "b" are varied, this results in a family of parabolas with the same y-intercept.



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Example : Write the equation (in standard form) of the quadratic function that passes through the point $(2, -9)$, if the roots of the corresponding quadratic equation are 5 and -7. $r = 5$ $s = -7$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} \quad y &= a(x-r)(x-s) \\ -9 &= a(2-5)(2+7) \\ -9 &= a(-3)(9) \\ -9 &= a(-27) \\ \frac{-9}{-27} &= a \\ \boxed{\frac{1}{3} = a} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{2} \quad y &= \frac{1}{3}(x-5)(x+7) \\ y &= \frac{1}{3}(x^2 + 2x - 35) \\ \boxed{y &= \frac{1}{3}x^2 + \frac{2}{3}x - \frac{35}{3}} \end{aligned}$$

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Recall: Expand

$$\begin{aligned} &(5 - 6\sqrt{3})(5 + 6\sqrt{3}) \\ &= 25 + \cancel{30\sqrt{3}} - \cancel{30\sqrt{3}} - 36\sqrt{9} \\ &= 25 - 36 \cdot 3 \\ &= 25 - 108 \\ &\boxed{= -83} \end{aligned}$$

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Example: Write the equation (in standard form) of the quadratic function that passes through the point $(-1, 3)$, if the roots of the corresponding quadratic equation are $5 \pm 3\sqrt{2}$

$$r = 5 + 3\sqrt{2} \quad s = 5 - 3\sqrt{2}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad y = a(x - r)(x - s)$$

$$y = a(x - 5 - 3\sqrt{2})(x - 5 + 3\sqrt{2})$$

$$y = a \left(\begin{array}{ccccccc} x^2 & -5x & +3\sqrt{2}x & & & & \\ & -5x & & +25 & -15\sqrt{2} & & \\ & & -3\sqrt{2}x & & +15\sqrt{2} & -9\sqrt{4} & \end{array} \right)$$

$$\boxed{y = a(x^2 - 10x + 7)}$$

$\textcircled{2}$ plug in $(-1, 3)$ to solve for a :

$$3 = a((-1)^2 - 10(-1) + 7)$$

$$3 = a(1 + 10 + 7)$$

$$3 = a(18)$$

$$\frac{3}{18} = a$$

$$\boxed{\frac{1}{6} = a}$$

$\textcircled{3}$ plug in "a" and simplify:

$$y = \frac{1}{6}(x^2 - 10x + 7)$$

$$y = \frac{1}{6}x^2 - \frac{10}{6}x + \frac{7}{6}$$

$$\boxed{y = \frac{1}{6}x^2 - \frac{5}{3}x + \frac{7}{6}}$$

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HW U1L6:

1. p. 192 # 1-3, 4cd, 6, 8, 9, 16

2. sign and correct quizzes

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