Precalculus (MATH 3-01)

Question of the Day

If you had to replace your legs with those of an animal, which animal and why?

On the Docket

Concept Review: Quadratic Inequalities

Quiz

Concept Check-In

Quadratic Inequalities

Equation 1

$$x^2 + 3 < 0$$

What does a plot of the graph look like?

What is the discriminant?

Does this expression have a solution?

Equation 2

$$3x^2 + 14 \le 23x$$

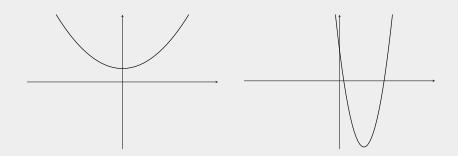
Does this expression have a solution?

Can this expression be factored? If so, what are its factors?

What are the zeroes of this expression?

For what values of x is this positive? Negative?

Quadratic Inequalities



Quiz

Solve the following quadratic inequality:

$$2x^2 \ge 5x + 3$$

Concept Check-In

Given an arbitrary polynomial

$$p(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_2 x^2 + a_1 x + a_0$$

describe, in your own words,

$$a_n, a_{n-1}, \ldots, a_2, a_1, a_0.$$
 "+\cdots+".
 $x^n, x^{n-1}, \ldots, x^2, x.$ $n, n-1, \ldots, 2, 1, 0.$

What combiantions of a, x and n would we need to pick for

$$p(x) = 4x^3 + 2x ?$$

If p(r) = 0, what could we call r?

What does the "multiplicity" of *r* mean?

What are "turning points" of *p* and what can be said about them?

