

# Quadratic Formula

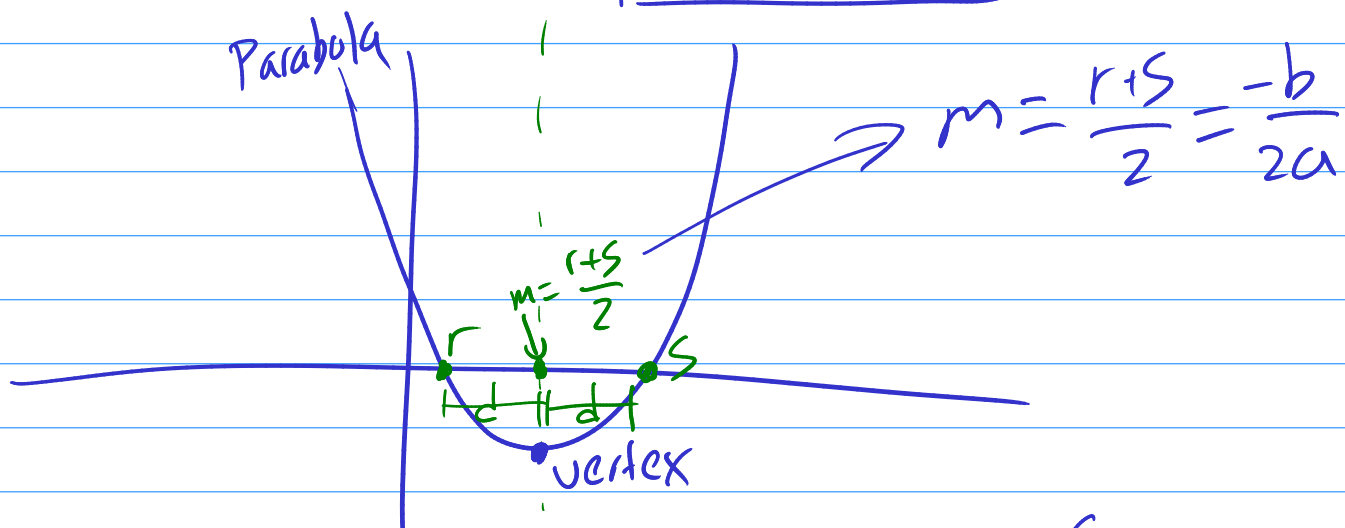
$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$$

$r, s$  roots

Vieta's form.

$$rs = \frac{c}{a}$$

$$r+s = -\frac{b}{a}$$



$$r = m - d$$
$$s = m + d$$

$$rs = (m-d)(m+d) = \frac{c}{a}$$

$$m^2 - d^2 = \frac{c}{a}$$

$$m^2 - \frac{c}{a} = d^2$$

$$\sqrt{m^2 - \frac{c}{a}} = d$$

$$r = m - \sqrt{m^2 - \frac{c}{a}}$$

$$s = m + \sqrt{m^2 - \frac{c}{a}}$$

$$x = m \pm \sqrt{m^2 - \frac{c}{a}}, \quad m = -\frac{b}{2a}$$

$$x = -\frac{b}{2a} \pm \sqrt{\left(-\frac{b}{2a}\right)^2 - \frac{c}{a}} = -\frac{b}{2a} \pm \sqrt{\frac{b^2}{4a^2} - \frac{c}{a}}$$
$$= -\frac{b}{2a} \pm \sqrt{\frac{b^2 - 4ac}{4a^2}} = \boxed{\frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}}$$

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$$

$$x^2 + \frac{b}{a}x + \frac{c}{a} = 0$$

$$(x-m)^2 + n = 0$$

$$x^2 - 2mx + m^2 + n = 0$$

$$\left(x + \frac{b}{2a}\right)^2 + \frac{c}{a} - \frac{b^2}{4a^2} = 0$$

$$\text{vertex: } \left(-\frac{b}{2a}, \frac{c}{a} - \frac{b^2}{4a^2}\right)$$

$$\frac{b}{a} = -2m \Rightarrow m = -\frac{b}{2a}$$

$$\frac{c}{a} = m^2 + n \Rightarrow n = \frac{c}{a} - \frac{b^2}{4a^2}$$

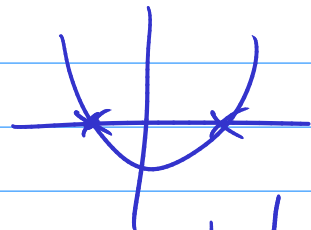
$$x^2 + 3x + 1 = 0$$

$$\left(x + \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 + \left(-\frac{9}{4}\right) = 0 \quad \text{vertex}$$

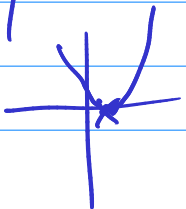
$$\left(x + \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{5}{4} = 0 \quad \left(-\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{5}{4}\right)$$

Discriminant

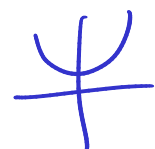
$$b^2 - 4ac > 0 \Rightarrow 2 \text{ real roots}$$



$$b^2 - 4ac = 0 \Rightarrow 1 \text{ double real root}$$



$$b^2 - 4ac < 0 \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} 0 \text{ real roots} \\ 2 \text{ complex roots} \end{matrix}$$



$$x^2 - 4x + 7 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 4 \cdot 7}}{2} = 2 \pm \sqrt{3}i$$

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 $\uparrow \quad \uparrow$   
 $m \pm ni$

$$x^2 - 3x + 10 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{9 - 40}}{2} = \frac{3}{2} \pm \frac{\sqrt{31}i}{2}$$

$\uparrow \quad \uparrow$   
 $m \pm ni$

$2 + \sqrt{3}i$  Complex conjugates  
 $2 - \sqrt{3}i$

$ax^2 + bx + c$ ,  $a, b, c$  are real numbers

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

**Complex Conjugates Theorem:**

roots of  $ax^2 + bx + c$ ,  $a, b, c$  real, are complex conjugates

$$m + ni \longleftrightarrow m - ni$$

$$x^2 - 4x - 7 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{4^2 + 4 \cdot 7}}{2} = 2 \pm \sqrt{11}$$

Radical conjugate Theorem

$ax^2 + bx + c$ ,  $a, b, c$  rational:

roots are  $m - \sqrt{n}$ ,  $m + \sqrt{n}$

Ex: Find a polynomial of minimum deg. with rational roots, that has  $2 - \sqrt{3}$  and  $3 + 2\sqrt{5}$  as roots

$$\begin{array}{cc} 2 - \sqrt{3} & 3 + 2\sqrt{5} \\ 2 + \sqrt{3} & 3 - 2\sqrt{5} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & ((x - 2) + \sqrt{3})((x - 2) - \sqrt{3})((x - 3) - 2\sqrt{5})((x - 3) + 2\sqrt{5}) \\ & (x^2 + 4x + 1)(x^2 - 6x - 1) \end{aligned}$$

$$= x^4 - 10x^3 + 14x^2 + 38x - 1$$

Ex:  $x^2 + bx + c = 0$ ,  $b, c$  are rational,  $2 - \sqrt{3}$  is a root  
Find  $b$  and  $c$

$$\begin{aligned} 2 - \sqrt{3} + 2 + \sqrt{3} &= -\frac{b}{1} \Rightarrow 4 = -b, b = -4 \\ (2 - \sqrt{3})(2 + \sqrt{3}) &= \frac{c}{1} \Rightarrow 1 = c \end{aligned}$$

## Vieta's for polynomials

$$a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + a_{n-2} x^{n-2} + \dots + a_1 x + a_0 = 0$$

$$a_n (x - r_1)(x - r_2) \dots (x - r_n) = 0$$

$$a_n \left( x^n - (r_1 + r_2 + r_3 + \dots + r_n) x^{n-1} + (r_1 r_2 + r_1 r_3 + \dots) x^{n-2} \right. \\ \left. + (r_1 r_2 r_3 + r_1 r_2 r_4 + \dots) x^{n-3} + \dots \right. \\ \left. (-r_1)(-r_2) \dots (-r_n) \right) \\ (-1)^n r_1 r_2 r_3 \dots r_n$$

$$a_{n-1} x^{n-1} = a_n (-(r_1 + r_2 + r_3 + \dots + r_n) x^{n-1})$$

$$-\frac{a_{n-1}}{a_n} = r_1 + r_2 + \dots + r_n$$

$$\frac{a_{n-2}}{a_n} = r_1 r_2 + r_1 r_3 + r_1 r_4 + \dots + r_{n-1} r_n$$

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$$(-1)^n \frac{a_0}{a_n} = r_1 r_2 r_3 \dots r_n$$

Ex: Let  $p, q, r$  are the roots of  $x^3 - 4x^2 + 15x - 7 = 0$

$$\text{Find } p + q + r = -\frac{-4}{1} = 4$$

$$pqr = -\frac{-7}{1} = 7$$

$$pq+qr+rp = \frac{15}{1} = 15$$

Ex: Let  $r, s, t$  be the solutions to  $3x^3 - 4x^2 + 5x + 7 = 0$

$$r+s+t = -\frac{-4}{3} = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$r^2+s^2+t^2 = -\frac{14}{9}$$

$$r+s+t = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$r^2+s^2+t^2 + \underbrace{2rs+2st+2rt}_{2 \cdot \frac{5}{3}} = \frac{16}{9}$$

$$\Rightarrow r^2+s^2+t^2 = \frac{16}{9} - \frac{10}{3} = -\frac{14}{9}$$

$$\frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{s} + \frac{1}{t} = \frac{st+rt+rs}{rst} = \frac{\frac{5}{3}}{-\frac{7}{3}} = -\frac{5}{7}$$