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SUBJECT: MATHEMATICS

TOPIC: QUADRATIC EQUATION



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The Quadratic Equation

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

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

Learning Objectives

- Substitute values correctly
- Apply quadratic formula to solve quadratic equations

Substituting Quiz

Write 1 to 10 in your margin
20 seconds for each question

Q1

If $a=2$ and $b=4$

find..

$$2a + b$$

Q2

If $a=2$ and $b=4$

find..

$$5b + a$$

Q3

If $a=2$ and $b=4$

find..

$$a^2 - b$$

Q4

If $a=2$ and $b=4$

find..

$$3(a + b)$$

Q5

$$a = b^2 - c$$

Find a if

$$b = 5 \text{ and } c = 2$$

Q6

$$a = b^2 - c$$

Find a if

$$b = 2 \text{ and } c = 6$$

Answer = -2

Q7

$$a = b^2 - c$$

Find a if

$$b = 3 \text{ and } c = -1$$

Answer = 10

Q8

$$a = b^2 - c$$

Find a if

$$b = 0 \text{ and } c = 10$$

Answer = -10

Q9

$$a = b(c + d)$$

Find a if

$b = 2$ and $c = 3$ and

$d = 5$

Answer = 16

Q10

$$a = b(c + d)$$

Find a if

$b = 4$ and $c = 3$ and

$d = -2$

Answer = 4

The Quadratic Equation

- This can be used to find out what values of x will make the equation equal zero
- You need it for questions where 2 is the biggest power of x and you are asked to solve the equation or find the intersection with the x axis
- E.g. Find where $y=2x^2 + 5x -3$ crosses the x axis

$$a = 2$$

$$b = 3$$

$$y = 2x^2 + 3x + 6$$

$$c = 6$$

$$a = 5$$

$$b = 2$$

$$y = 5x^2 + 2x + 1$$

$$c = 1$$

$$a = 1$$

$$b = -6$$

$$y = x^2 - 6x + 11$$

$$c = 11$$

$$a = 4$$

$$b = 1$$

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

$$c = -7$$

$$a = 2$$

$$b = 1$$

$$y = 2x^2 + x$$

$$c = 0$$

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

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

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{4^2 - 4 \times 1 \times -2}}{2 \times 1}$$

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{16 - -8}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{24}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm 4.899}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{-4 + 4.899}{2} \quad \text{Or} \quad x = \frac{-4 - 4.899}{2}$$

$$x = 4.4 \quad \text{or} \quad -0.4$$

Start with the quadratic equation

Put in our values for a, b and c

Tidy up

You need to do this twice, once adding and once taking away

$x = -4.4$ (1dp) and $x = 0.4$ (1dp)

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

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

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{4^2 - 4 \times 2 \times 2}}{2 \times 2}$$

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

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{0}}{4}$$

$$x = \frac{-4 - 0}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad x = \frac{-4 + 0}{2}$$

They both give $x = \frac{-4}{2}$

Start with the quadratic equation

Put in our values for a, b and c

Tidy up

The square root of zero is zero

$$x = -2$$

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

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

$$x = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{3^2 - 4 \times 2 \times 6}}{2 \times 2}$$

$$x = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{9 - 48}}{4}$$

$$x = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{-39}}{4}$$

Start with the quadratic equation

Put in our values for a, b and c

Tidy up

We can't find the square roots of a negative so there is no solution

$x^2 + 4x - 2 = 0$ has 2 solutions

$2x^2 + 4x + 4 = 0$ has 1 solution

$2x^2 + 3x + 6 = 0$ has no solutions

The quadratic equation

1. For each of these equations, what is a, b and c? (the first one has been done for you)

a) $2x^2+4x-3=0$ $a=2$ $b=4$ $c=-3$

b) $6x^2+x-10=0$

c) $x^2-4x-5=0$

2. The length in cm of the sides of a right angle triangle are x , $(x+2)$ and $(x+1)$ where $x>0$. Find in cm the length of its hypotenuse

Assignment

Using quadratic formula, solve correct to 2 d.p

$$\frac{x-2}{4} = \frac{x+2}{2x}$$