

# Problem set 1: Quadratic equation

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## Excercise 1

Defines variables  $a = 1$ ,  $b = -1$ ,  $c = -2$  and print out the solutions to  $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ . Do not report complex solutions, only real numbers. Avoid using the variable name  $c$  as it is a reserved function in R. Show the code and the answer.

```
a=1
b=-1
# c will be called k
k=-2

#To determine if the quadratic equation have real solutions we use the discriminant.
real_soln<-b^2-4*a*k

if (real_soln>=0){
  soln_1<-(-b+sqrt(real_soln)/2*a)
  soln_2<-(-b-sqrt(real_soln)/2*a)

  cat("Real Solutions: \n")
  cat("x =", soln_1, "\n")
  cat("x =", soln_2, "\n")
} else {
  cat("No real solutions. \n")
}
```

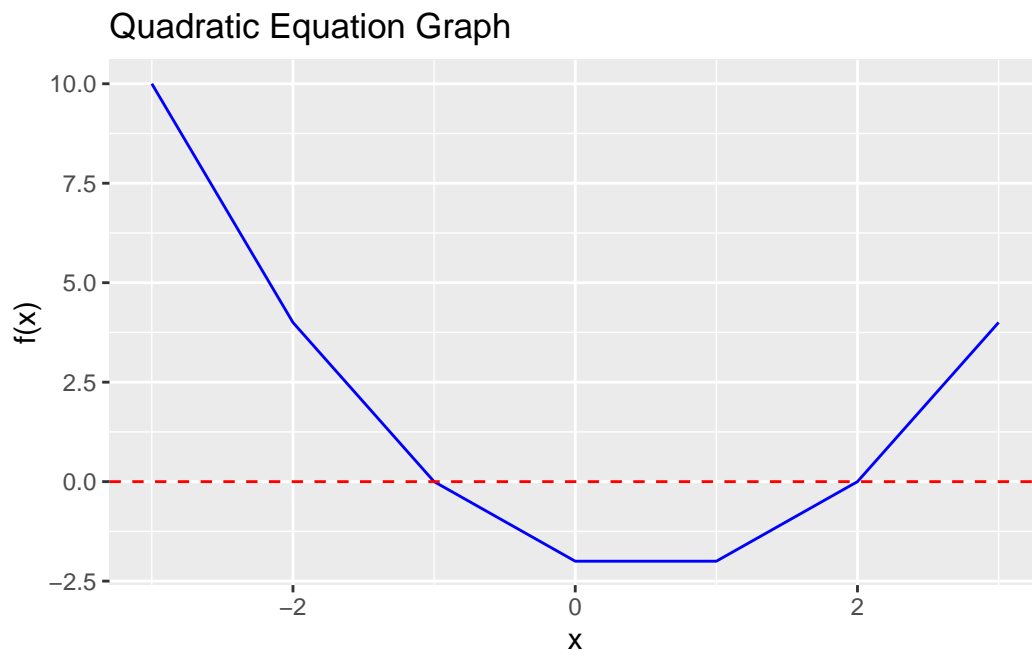
Real Solutions:

x = 2.5

x = -0.5

## Exercise 2

Show a graph of  $f(x)$  versus  $x$  for  $x \in (-3, 3)$ . Do not show the code, only the graph.



## Exercise 3

Generate a PDF report.