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Given a **sorted** integer array `nums` and three integers `a`, `b` and `c`, apply a quadratic function of the form  $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$  to each element `nums[i]` in the array, and return *the array in a sorted order*.

### Example 1:

**Input:** `nums = [-4,-2,2,4]`, `a = 1`, `b = 3`, `c = 5`  
**Output:** `[3,9,15,33]`

### Example 2:

**Input:** `nums = [-4,-2,2,4]`, `a = -1`, `b = 3`, `c = 5`  
**Output:** `[-23,-5,1,7]`

### Constraints:

- `1 <= nums.length <= 200`
- `-100 <= nums[i], a, b, c <= 100`
- `nums` is sorted in **ascending** order.

**Follow up:** Could you solve it in `O(n)` time?

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$x^2 + x$  will form a parabola.

Hint 2

Parameter A in:  $A * x^2 + B * x + C$  dictates the shape of the parabola.  
Positive A means the parabola remains concave (high-low-high), but negative A inverts the parabola to be convex (low-high-low).

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