Solution

To find the s-intercept, we set d equal to 0, so :

 $d(s) = s^2 - 9 = (-3 + s) (3 + s) = 0$

-3 + s = 0 or 3 + s = 0

So, the s-intercepts are at the points (3,0) and (-3,0)

s = 3 or s = -3