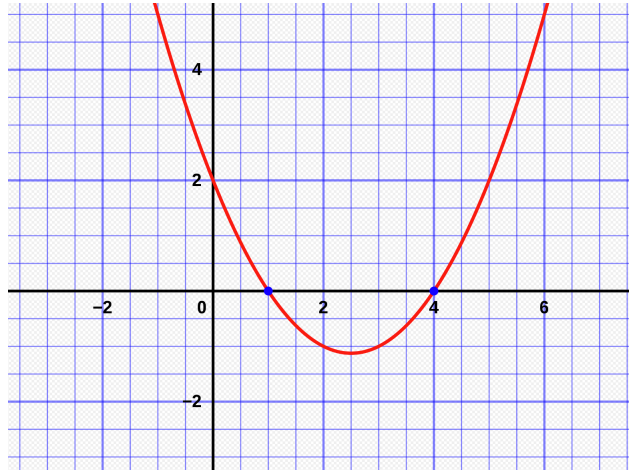


## Introduction to C++ - Tutorial 2 - The Quadratic Equation



### Overview:

We are going to write a C++ program to solve the quadratic equation. After finding the solution, the program will output the results to the screen.

### System Requirements:

- **Computer:** A computer is required to complete this tutorial. Any OS should work.
- **C++:** You can use the online C++ compiler ([OnlineGDB](#)) or a C++ compiler of your choice.

### Problem Statement:

- Given: The coefficients  $a_2, a_1, a_0$  of a second order polynomial in the form shown

$$y = a_2x^2 + a_1x + a_0$$

- Find: The solution or roots  $x_1, x_2$  of the equation

### Program Minimum Requirements:

The program should accomplish the following tasks.

- The coefficients  $a_2, a_1, a_0$  should be stored as variables in the program.
- The roots  $x_1, x_2$  should be calculated by the program.
- The calculated roots  $x_1, x_2$  should be printed to the screen.

Optional Advanced Features:

- The inputs  $a_2, a_1, a_0$  should be read from the user during program execution
- The program should handle equations with real and complex solutions without error.
- The equation and solution should be plotted on an x-y graph.

**Example Code:**

1. This is the C style way to output text.

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```
// Variables and Assignment - GSET - Summer 2021

#include <iostream> // include the IO library

int main() // the main function
{

    float a2,a1,a0,x1,x2; // initialize the variables

    a2 = 10; // assign some values
    a1 = 25;
    a0 = 0;

    x1= ; // you must complete these lines
    x2= ; //

    std::cout<<"The roots are : "<<x1<<","<<x2<<std::endl; // print the results

    return 0; // end the main function
}
```

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**Part 3 - Testing:**

1. Complete the C++ code to solve the problem described.
2. Test your code with different inputs. Is the answer correct? How do you know? Are there certain inputs that do not work?
3. Save your code with the download button or use copy and paste. You can view and edit the code in any text editor. Also, save a copy of the program output for your tutorial summary.

**Solution Code:**

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```
// Variables and Assignment - GSET - Summer 2021

#include <iostream> // include the IO library
#include <math.h> // include the math library

int main()
{

    float a2,a1,a0,x1,x2; // initialize the variables

    a2 = 1;
    a1 = -12;
    a0 = 34;

    x1= (-a1+sqrt(pow(a1,2)-4*a2*a0))/(2*a2); // calculate the positive root

    x2= (-a1-sqrt(pow(a1,2)-4*a2*a0))/(2*a2); // calculate the negative root

    std::cout<<"The roots are : "<<x1<<","<<x2<<std::endl;

    return 0;
}
```

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**Tutorial Complete:**

Congratulations, after completing *Tutorial 2 - Quadratic Equation*, you have begun learning to program in C++! You are now ready to start learning about more complex data structures and program flow.

**Tutorial Summary:**

Write a brief summary of what you accomplished and what you struggled with the most.

Include the following items in the summary:

- a copy of the output of your program
- a description of what the program does and how to use it

**Submission on Teams:**

Use the appropriate shared folder on Teams to submit your program and summary. Submit the following items with your TNTech username in the filenames as shown below.

Files for Tutorial 1 (TNTech Username : twhill21)

- Tutorial Summary: **twhill21\_summary2.txt**
- C++ Source Code: **twhill21\_tutorial2.cpp**