

Function 5:

Zeroes:

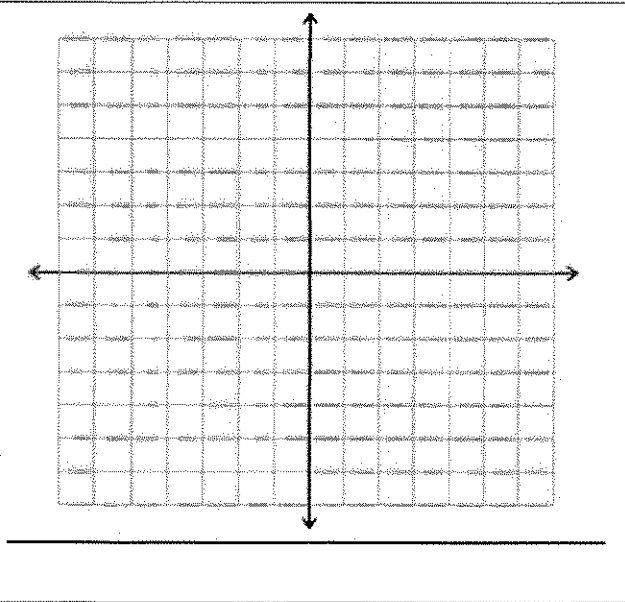
x-intercepts:

y-intercept:

Location of vertex:

Axis of Symmetry:

Is vertex the minimum or maximum of the function?



Day 4: Finding Extrema of Quadratic Functions

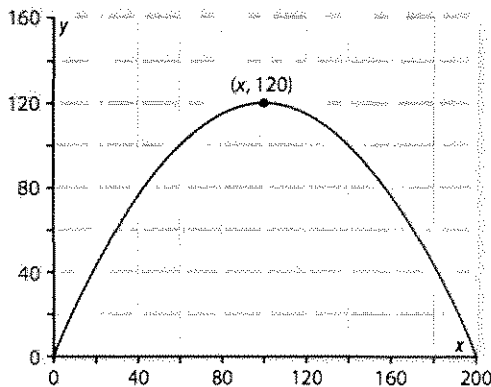
Warm-Up:

6. For the following two equations, find the following values, showing your work for finding them by hand! Then sketch the graphs on graph paper.

a. $x^2 - x - 20 = 0$ $(x-5)(x+4) = 0$
 zeros: $(5, 0)$ $(-4, 0)$ $\frac{5+(-4)}{2} = \frac{1}{2} = x \text{ of vertex}$
 vertex: $(\frac{1}{2}, -20\frac{1}{4})$ $y = (\frac{1}{2})^2 - \frac{1}{2} - 20 = -20\frac{1}{4} = y \text{ of vertex}$
 y-intercept: $(0, -20)$
 Max/min?: min $a > 0$ so "smile" parabola
 Axis of Symmetry (AoS): $x = \frac{1}{2}$

b. $x^2 + 8x + 15 = 0$ $(x+5)(x+3) = 0$
 zeros: $(-5, 0)$ $(-3, 0)$ $\frac{-5+(-3)}{2} = \frac{-8}{2} = -4 = x \text{ of vertex}$
 vertex: $(-4, -1)$ $y = (-4)^2 + 8(-4) + 15 = 16 - 32 + 15 = -1 = y \text{ of vertex}$
 y-intercept: $(0, 15)$
 Max/min?: min $a > 0$ so "smile" parabola
 Axis of Symmetry (AoS): $x = -4$

Investigation 2: Designing Parabolas



Details on writing equation on next page

Objective: Determine the equation of a quadratic that guarantees the graph of its parabola will fit given constraints. For example, write an equation of a quadratic with zeroes at $x = 0$ and $x = 200$ and a maximum y -value of 120.

- Using ideas from your earlier study of Quadratic Functions and their graphs, write the rule for a function with a parabolic graph that contains points $(0, 0)$, $(200, 0)$, and a maximum point whose y -coordinate is 120. Use the hints in Parts a-d, below, as needed.

- The graph of the desired function has x -intercepts $(0, 0)$ and $(200, 0)$. How do you know that the graph of the function $f(x) = x(x - 200)$ has those same x -intercepts?

If set factors = 0 + solve, you get the x -values of the x -intercepts.

- What is the x -coordinate of the maximum point on this graph?

x of vertex = $\frac{0+200}{2} = 100$ (using yesterday's graphing knowledge)

x of vertex = 100

- Suppose that $g(x)$ has a rule in the form $g(x) = k[x(x - 200)]$, for some particular value of k . What value of k will guarantee that $g(x) = 120$ at the maximum point of the graph?

$120 = k(100)(100 - 200)$ substitute $x = 100$ of vertex from part b
 $120 = k(-10000)$ $k = -3/250$

- Write the rule for $g(x)$ in equivalent expanded form using the k value you found in Part c.

$g(x) = -3/250(x)(x-200)$ substitute k into equation
 $g(x) = -3/250x^2 + 12/5x$

- Write rules for quadratic functions whose graphs have the following properties. If possible, write more than one function rule that meets the given conditions.

- x -intercepts at $(4, 0)$ and $(-1, 0)$

$g(x) = k(x-4)(x+1)$

Examples $y = x^2 - 3x - 4$ (if $k=1$)

$y = 2x^2 - 6x - 8$ (if $k=2$)

- x -intercepts at $(7, 0)$ and $(1, 0)$ and minimum point at $(4, -10)$

$g(x) = k(x-7)(x-1)$

$-10 = k(4-7)(4-1)$

$-10 = k(-3)(3)$
 $\frac{-10}{-9} = k$ $k = \frac{10}{9}$

$y = \frac{10}{9}(x-7)(x-1)$

$y = \frac{10}{9}(x^2 - 8x + 7)$

- x -intercepts at $(3, 0)$ and $(-5, 0)$ and maximum point at $(-1, 8)$

$g(x) = k(x-3)(x+5)$

$8 = k(-1-3)(-1+5)$

$8 = k(-16)$ $8/-16 = k$

$k = -1/2$

$y = -1/2(x-3)(x+5)$

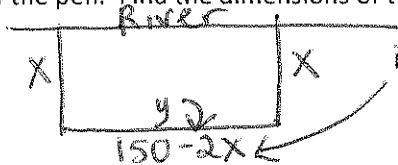
$-1/2(x^2 + 2x - 15)$

$y = \frac{10}{9}x^2 - \frac{80}{9}x + \frac{70}{9}$

$y = -1/2x^2 - x + 15/2$

Application:

A rancher is constructing a cattle pen by the river. She has a total of 150 feet of fence and plans to build the pen in the shape of a rectangle. Since the river is very deep, she need only fence 3 sides of the pen. Find the dimensions of the pen so that it encloses the maximum area.

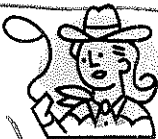


if 150 ft of fence and 2 sides are x
 perimeter = $x + x + y$
 $150 = 2x + y$
 $y = 150 - 2x$

Area = $b \cdot h$ (or $l \cdot w$)
 $= x(150 - 2x)$

$\hookrightarrow x = 0, x = 75$ are intercepts

Vertex gives maximum
 $x = \frac{0 + 75}{2} = 37.5$



Practice: Factor and solve.

1. $4x^2 + 7x - 2 = 0$

$\frac{8 \pm 1}{2 \pm 1} = 7$

$4x^2 + 7x - 2 = 0$

$4x^2 + 8x - 1x - 2 = 0$

$4x(x+2) - 1(x+2) = 0$

$(4x-1)(x+2) = 0$

$x = 1/4, -2$

2. $x^2 - 36 = 0$

$(x+6)(x-6) = 0$

$x = -6, 6$

3. $4x^2 + 12x - 72 = 0$

$4(x^2 + 3x - 18) = 0$

$4(x+6)(x-3) = 0$

$x = -6, 3$

$150 - 2(37.5)$
 37.5 by 75 ft