

Sec. 4.7 The Quadratic Formula

$$\frac{ax^2}{a} + \frac{bx}{a} + \frac{c}{a} = \frac{0}{a}$$

$$x^2 + \frac{b}{a}x + \frac{c}{a} = 0 \quad \frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{7} = \frac{1+2}{7}$$

$$\frac{b}{2a} \cdot \frac{b}{2a}$$

$$-\frac{c}{a} \quad -\frac{c}{a}$$

$$x^2 + \frac{b}{a}x + \frac{b^2}{4a^2} \ominus \frac{4ca}{4a \cdot a} + \frac{b^2}{4a^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{b}{a}$$

$$\left(x + \frac{b}{2a}\right)^2 = \frac{-4ac + b^2}{4a^2}$$

$$\left(\frac{b}{2a}\right)^2$$

$$\sqrt{\left(x + \frac{b}{2a}\right)^2} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{b^2 - 4ac}{4a^2}}$$

$$x + \frac{b}{2a} = \pm \frac{\sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$-\frac{b}{2a} \quad -\frac{b}{2a}$$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

Quadratic Formula:

$$ax^2 + bx + c = \underline{\underline{0}}$$

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Problem 1:

$$5x^2 - 2x = 2$$

$$5x^2 - 2x - 2 = 0$$

$$a = 5$$

$$b = -2$$

$$c = -2$$

$$\sqrt{3 \cdot 3}$$

$$\sqrt{9} = 3$$

$$\sqrt{3^2}$$

$$x = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 4(5)(-2)}}{2 \cdot 5}$$

$$x = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{44}}{10}$$

$$\frac{2 \pm \sqrt{2 \cdot 2 \cdot 11}}{10}$$

$$x = \frac{2 \pm 2\sqrt{11}}{10}$$

$$\frac{2(1 \pm \sqrt{11})}{2 \cdot 5}$$

$$x = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{11}}{5}$$

$$\frac{1}{5} \pm \frac{\sqrt{11}}{5}$$

Discriminant: $b^2 - 4ac$

$\pm\sqrt{0} = 0$ one real solution

$\pm\sqrt{+} > 0$ two real solutions

$\pm\sqrt{-} < 0$ no real solution
(2 imaginary)

Problem 3: What is the number of real solutions of $-x^2 + 14x = 49$?

$b^2 - 4ac$

> 0 2 real
 $= 0$ 1 real
 < 0 0 real
(2 imag)

$$\frac{-49 \quad -49}{-x^2 + 14x - 49 = 0}$$

$$b^2 - 4ac = 14^2 - 4(-1)(-49)$$

$$196 - 196$$

$$0$$

1 real solution

b. $2x^2 - 3x + 7 = 0$

$$b^2 - 4ac = 9 - 4(2)(7)$$

$$9 - 56$$

$$-47$$

no real solution
(2 imaginary)

Problem 4: A rocket is launched from the ground with an initial velocity of 150 ft/s. The function $h = -16t^2 + 150t$ models the height in feet of the rocket at time t in seconds. Will the rocket reach a height of 300 feet? Explain

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Yes, the discriminant is positive, so there are two real solutions for time t when the rocket's height is 300 ft.

Problem 5:

Write a quadratic equation with the given solutions.

a. $\frac{-5 + \sqrt{17}}{4}, \frac{-5 - \sqrt{17}}{4}$ $\frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$

$$\frac{-b}{-1} = \frac{-5}{-1}$$

$$b = 5$$

$$\frac{2a}{2} = \frac{4}{2}$$

$$a = 2$$

$$b^2 - 4ac = 17$$

$$5^2 - 4(2)c = 17$$

$$25 - 8c = 17$$

$$\frac{-25}{-25} \quad \frac{-17}{-25}$$

$$\frac{-8c}{-8} = \frac{-8}{-8}$$

$$c = 1$$

$$y = 2x^2 + 5x + 1$$

b. $\frac{5 + \sqrt{53}}{2}, \frac{5 - \sqrt{53}}{2}$

$$\frac{-b}{-1} = \frac{5}{-1}$$

$$b = -5$$

$$\frac{2a}{2} = \frac{2}{2}$$

$$a = 1$$

$$b^2 - 4ac = 53$$

$$(-5)^2 - 4(1)(c) = 53$$

$$25 - 4c = 53$$

$$\frac{-25}{-25} \quad \frac{-53}{-25}$$

$$\frac{-4c}{-4} = \frac{28}{-4}$$

$$c = -7$$

$$y = x^2 - 5x - 7$$

Problem 6: Solve $|x| = \begin{cases} x, & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ -x, & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$

$$|5 - 2x^2| = 5$$

$$\frac{5 - 2x^2}{5} = \frac{5}{-5}$$

$$\frac{-2x^2}{-2} = \frac{0}{-2}$$

$$x^2 = 0$$

$$x = 0$$

$$-5 + 2x^2$$

$$\frac{-1(5 - 2x^2)}{-1} = \frac{5}{-1}$$

$$\frac{5 - 2x^2}{5} = \frac{-5}{-5}$$

$$\frac{-2x^2}{-2} = \frac{-10}{-2}$$

$$x^2 = 5$$

$$\sqrt{x^2} = \pm\sqrt{5}$$

$$x = \pm\sqrt{5}$$

