

Sec. 4.2 Standard Form of a Quadratic Function

Standard Form: $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$
 (where $a \neq 0$)
 $y = a(x-h)^2 + k$

Problem 1:

What are the vertex, axis of symmetry, maximum or minimum value, and range of:

a. $y = -x^2 + 6x + 3$
 $a = -1$ $b = 6$ $c = 3$
 $= -(3)^2 + 6(3) + 3$
 $= -9 + 18 + 3$
 $= 9 + 3$
 $= 12$

vertex: $(\frac{-b}{2a}, f(\frac{-b}{2a}))$ $(3, 12)$

axis of symmetry: $x = \frac{-b}{2a} = \frac{-6}{2(-1)} = \frac{-6}{-2} = 3$ $x = 3$

maximum \curvearrowright 12

range: $y \leq 12$ If $a > 0$, \curvearrowleft minimum range: $y \geq f(\frac{-b}{2a})$

If $a < 0$, \curvearrowright maximum range: $y \leq f(\frac{-b}{2a})$
 (the y-value of the vertex)

y-intercept: c
 $(0, c)$

b. $y = 4x^2 - 16x + 10$
 $a=4$ $b=-16$ $c=10$

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

axis: $x = \frac{-b}{2a} = \frac{16}{2(4)} = \frac{16}{8} = 2$ $x=2$

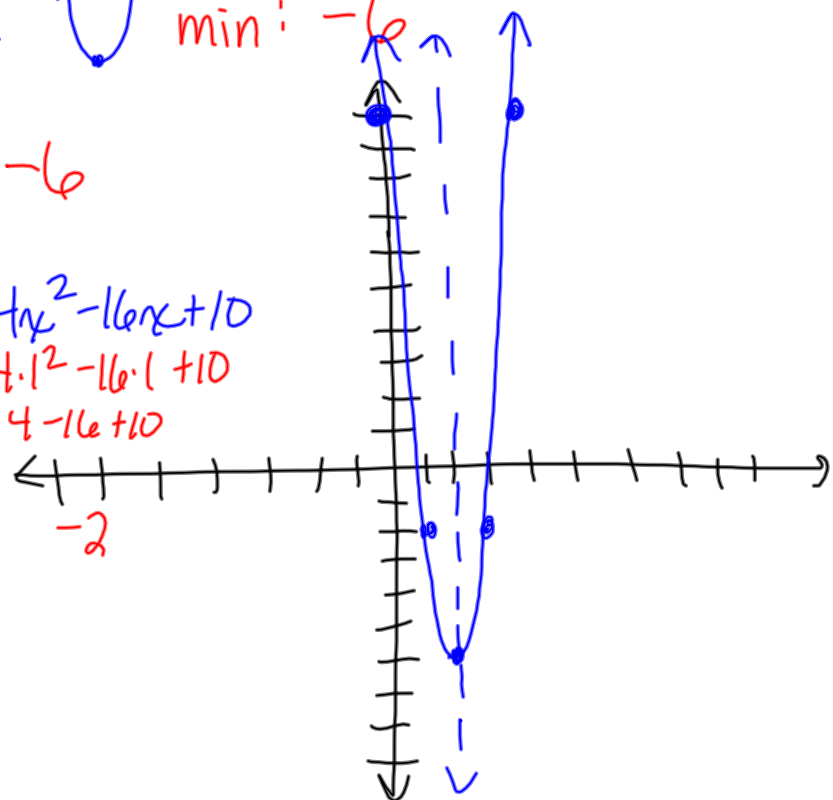
vertex: $y = 4(2)^2 - 16(2) + 10$ $(2, -6)$
 $4 \cdot 4 - 32 + 10$
 $16 - 32 + 10$
 $-16 + 10$
 -6

max or min:  min: -6

range: $y \geq -6$

$y = 4x^2 - 16x + 10$
 $4 \cdot 1^2 - 16 \cdot 1 + 10$
 $4 - 16 + 10$

x	y
0	10
1	-2



Problem 2:

What is the vertex form of

a. $y = 2x^2 - 3x + 2$

vertex:

$$-\frac{b}{2a} = \left(\frac{3}{4}, \frac{7}{8} \right)$$

$$y = a(x-h)^2 + k$$

$$y = 2\left(x - \frac{3}{4}\right)^2 + \frac{7}{8}$$

$$y = 2\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2 - 3\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) + 2$$

$$\frac{1}{1} \cdot \frac{9}{16} \cdot 2 - \frac{9 \cdot 2}{4 \cdot 2} + \frac{2 \cdot 8}{1 \cdot 8}$$

$$\frac{9}{8} - \frac{18}{8} + \frac{16}{8}$$

$$-\frac{9}{8} + \frac{16}{8}$$

$$\frac{7}{8}$$