

Part 1: Revisit $f(x) = ax^2$

What do we know about "a"?

- a affects the wideness of a parabola
 - $0 < a < 1$: wider
 - $a > 1$: narrower
- a affects if the parabola opens up or down
 - $+a$: opens up
 - $-a$: opens down

How do we know if the parabola has a maximum or a minimum?

- it depends on if the parabola opens
 - Up (a+, minimum)
 - or
 - Down (a-, maximum)

$$f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$$

Where have you seen this function before?

- FACTORING
- QUADRATIC FORMULA

Any ideas of what "b" and "c" might do to change the graph?

- Maybe it moves the graph from the origin - right vs left, up vs down

Let's look at a problem with only "b" and the shape of our parabola looking like shots from our Basketball Task. ($a = -1$) ↙ opens down

x	-2	-1	0	1	2	3
$f(x) = -x^2 + 4x$	-12	-5	0	3	4	3

$$\begin{aligned} f(-2) &= -1 \cdot (-2)^2 + 4(-2) \\ &= -4 - 8 \\ &= -12 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(1) &= -1 \cdot (1)^2 + 4(1) \\ &= -1 + 4 \\ &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

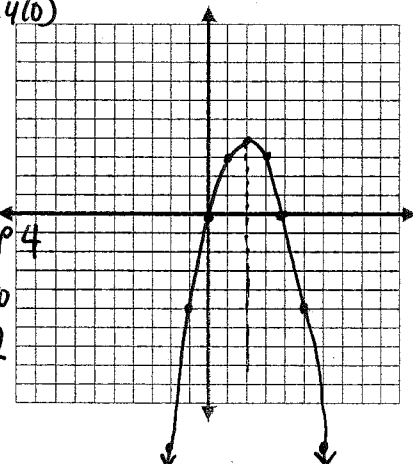
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$$\begin{aligned} f(2) &= -1(2)^2 + 4(2) \\ &= -4 + 8 \\ &= 4 \end{aligned}$$

$$f(0) = 0^2 + 4(0)$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(3) &= -1 \cdot 3^2 + 4(3) \\ &= -9 + 12 \end{aligned}$$

VERTEX
MOVED UP 4
MOVED TO
RIGHT 2



Let's look at a problem with only "c" and the shape of our parabola looking like shots from our Basketball Task. ($a = -1$)

x	-2	-1	0	1	2
$f(x) = -x^2 + 4$	0	3	4	3	0

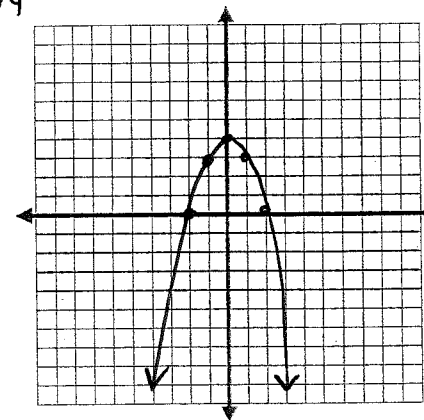
$$\begin{aligned} f(-2) &= -1 \cdot (-2)^2 + 4 \\ &= -4 + 4 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(1) &= -1 \cdot 1^2 + 4 \\ &= -1 + 4 \\ &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(-1) &= -1 \cdot (-1)^2 + 4 \\ &= -1 + 4 \\ &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(2) &= -1 \cdot 2^2 + 4 \\ &= -4 + 4 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(0) &= -0^2 + 4 \\ &= 4 \end{aligned}$$



VERTEX
MOVED
UP
4;
NO SIDE TO
SIDE

What findings do you see:

Lets look more at "c"

x	-2	-1	0	1	+2
$f(x) = x^2 + 4x + 8$	4	5	8	13	20

x	-2	-1	0	1	+2
$f(x) = -x^2 - 6x - 7$	1	-2	-7	-12	-23

$f(-2) = (-2)^2 + 4(-2) + 8 = 4 - 8 + 8 = 4$
 $f(0) = 0^2 + 4(0) + 8 = 8$
 $f(2) = 2^2 + 4(2) + 8 = 4 + 8 + 8 = 20$
 $f(-1) = (-1)^2 + 4(-1) + 8 = 1 - 4 + 8 = 5$
 $f(1) = 1^2 + 4(1) + 8 = 1 + 4 + 8 = 13$

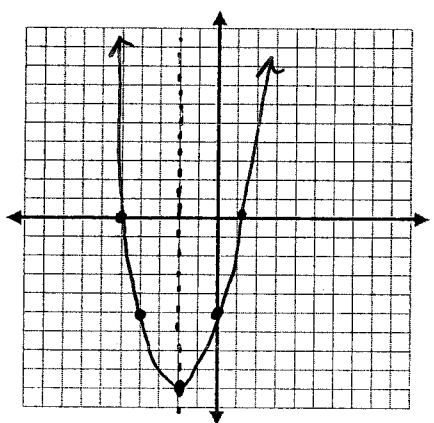
$f(-2) = -(-2)^2 - 6(-2) - 7 = -4 + 12 - 7 = 1$
 $f(0) = 0^2 - 6(0) - 7 = -7$
 $f(2) = -1 \cdot 2^2 - 6(2) - 7 = -4 - 12 - 7 = -23$
 $f(-1) = -(-1)^2 - 6(-1) - 7 = -1 + 6 - 7 = -2$
 $f(1) = -1^2 - 6(1) - 7 = -1 - 6 - 7 = -14$

What does the "c" stand for: _____

Thinking back to our Basketball Task what might "c" be in those problems?

Basketball Task Day 2 Part 1 – see Task Handout and transparency graph paper
 Part 2: Exploring the graph of a Quadratic Function in Standard form:
 $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$

$f(x) = x^2 + 4x - 5$
 $a=1$
 $b=4$
 $c=-5$
 $x = \frac{-b}{2a} = \frac{-4}{2} = -2$



$f(-2) = (-2)^2 + 4(-2) - 5 = 4 - 8 - 5 = -9$
 $x^2 + 4x - 5$
 $(x + 5)(x - 1)$
 $x + 5 = 0 \Rightarrow x = -5$
 $x - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow x = 1$

Parts of a Quadratic Function:

Direction of opening: opens up
 Vertex: $(-2, -9)$
 Maximum, Minimum: $y = -9$
 Axis of Symmetry: $x = -2$
 y-intercept: $(0, -5)$
 Domain: \mathbb{R}
 Range: $\{y \mid y \geq -9\}$

x	y
-5	0
-4	-5
-2	-9
0	-5
1	0

\checkmark (points to vertex)
 y -INT. (points to y-intercept)
 copy (points to x-intercepts)

- Steps to find Parts of a Quadratic Function $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$:
- IDENTIFY a, b, c
 - CALCULATE AXIS OF SYMMETRY
 $x = \frac{-b}{2a} \rightarrow$ PLOT.
 THIS IS ALSO X-COORD. OF VERTEX
 - VERTEX: SUBSTITUTE AXIS OF SYMMETRY INTO FUNCTION - EVALUATE.
 - THIS IS y-COORD. OF VERTEX
 - PLOT VERTEX
 - c is y-intercept. $(0, c)$
 PLOT. MAKE COPY OVER AXIS OF SYMMETRY.
 - FIND X-INTERCEPTS BY FACTORING ORIGINAL FUNCTION - SOLVE.
 $(x_1, 0) \quad (x_2, 0)$
 - CONNECT POINTS.

Examples: Find all the parts and graph the quadratic function in standard form.

Ex 1: $f(x) = -\frac{1}{2}x^2 + 2x + 6$ $a = -\frac{1}{2}$

$B = 2$

$C = 6$

$x = \frac{-B}{2A} \rightarrow x = \frac{-2}{2(-\frac{1}{2})} \Rightarrow \frac{-2}{-1} \rightarrow x = 2$

$f(-1) = -\frac{1}{2}(-1)^2 + 2(-1) + 6$

$= -\frac{1}{2}(1) + 4 + 6$

$= -2 + 4 + 6$

$= 8$

Factor by Bottoms up!

$-\frac{1}{2}x^2 + 2x + 6$

$x^2 + 2x - 3$

$(x-1)(x+3)$

$-\frac{1}{2} \quad -\frac{1}{2}$

$-\frac{1}{2}x - 1 = 0$ $-\frac{1}{2}x + 3 = 0$

$-2 \cdot -\frac{1}{2}x = 1 \cdot -2$ $-2 \cdot -\frac{1}{2}x = -3 \cdot -2$

$x = -2$

$x = 6$

$(-2, 0)$

$(6, 0)$

$f(x) = 3x^2 + 6x + 1$

$x = \frac{-B}{2A}$

$a = 3$

$B = 6$

$C = 1$

$f(-1) = 3(-1)^2 + 6(-1) + 1$

$= 3 - 6 + 1$

$= -3 + 1$

$= -2$

$x = \frac{-6}{2(3)} = -1$

Factor by Bottoms up: $3x^2 + 6x + 1 = 0$

$x^2 + 2x + \frac{1}{3} = 0$

does not factor

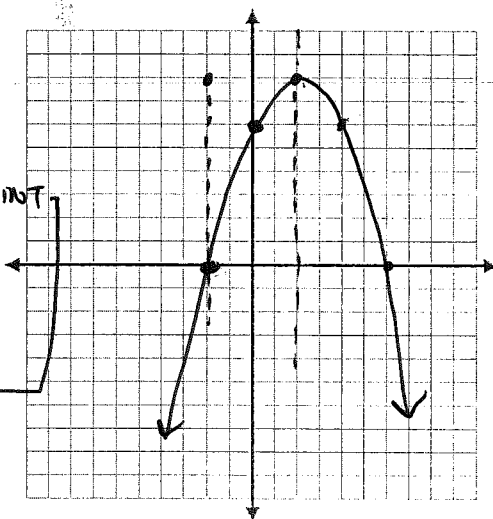
Choose another x if it can't factor

$f(1) = 3(1)^2 + 6(1) + 1$

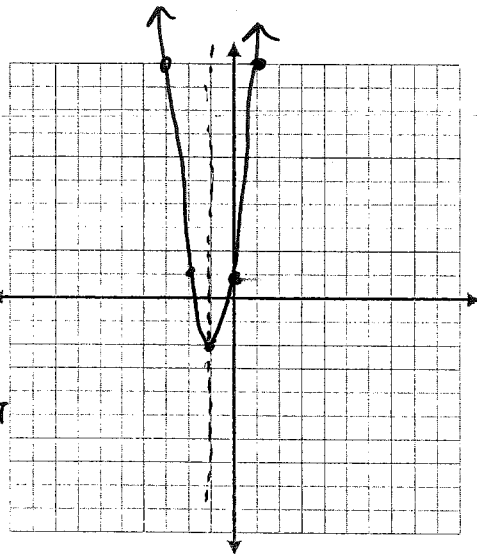
$= 3 + 6 + 1$

$= 10$

x	y
-2	0
0	6
2	8
4	6
6	0



x	y
-3	10
-2	1
-1	-2
0	1
1	10



Parts of a Quadratic Function:

Direction of opening: opens down

Vertex: (2, 8)

Maximum/Minimum: $y = 8$

Axis of Symmetry: $x = 2$

y-intercept: (0, 6)

x-intercept(s): (-2, 0) and (6, 0)

Domain: \mathbb{R}

Range: $\{y \mid y \leq 8\}$

Parts of a Quadratic Function:

Direction of opening: up

Vertex: (-1, -2)

Maximum/Minimum: $y = -2$

Axis of Symmetry: $x = -1$

look where the curve crosses x-axis: guess!

y-intercept: (0, 1)

x-intercept(s): (about) $(-\frac{1}{3}, 0)$ and $(-\frac{2}{3}, 0)$

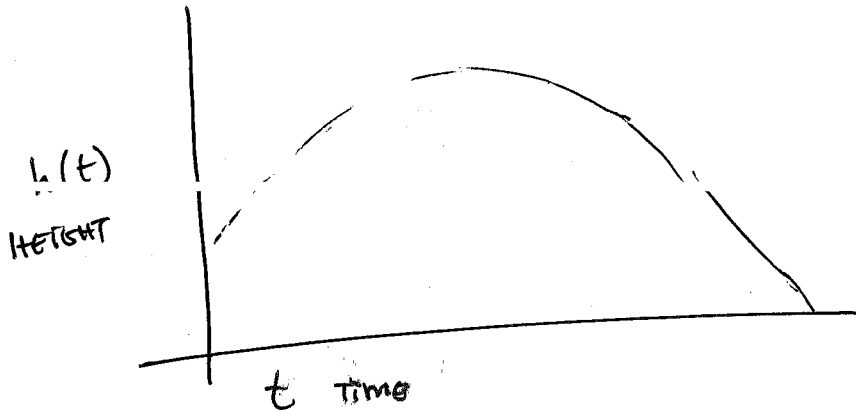
Domain: \mathbb{R}

Range: $\{y \mid y \geq -2\}$

Exploring the equation of a quadratic function in standard form.

Tim hits a softball. The function $h(x) = -14t^2 + 56t + 3$ describes the height (in feet) of the softball, and t is time (in seconds).

a) Draw a rough graph of what this graph might look like.



$a = -14$
 $B = 56$
 $C = 3$

b) Does the graph have a maximum or minimum? What is it? Explain in the context of the problem.

$(2, 59)$
 ↑ ↑
 2 sec 59 feet

↓
 THE VERTEX
 $X = \frac{-56}{2(-14)} = \frac{56}{28} = 2 \text{ sec}$

↓
 THE PEAK OF THE BALL
 $h(2) = -14(2^2) + 56(2) + 3$
 $= -14(4) + 112 + 3$
 $= -56 + 115 \Rightarrow 59 \text{ ft}$

c) Evaluate $h(0)$. What does this value tell you? Explain in the context of the problem.

$h(0) = -14(0^2) + 56(0) + 3$
 $h(0) = 3$

$(0, 3)$
 ↑ ↑
 0 sec 3 ft

THE BALL LEAVES THE BAT 3 FEET OFF THE GROUND.

d) How long is the ball in the air?

- IT IS IN THE AIR UNTIL IT HITS THE GROUND.
- SO, WHEN DOES THE BALL HIT THE GROUND? AT X-INTERCEPT.
- IF IT DOESN'T FACTOR, USE QUADRATIC FORMULA TO SOLVE:

$X = \frac{-56 \pm \sqrt{56^2 - 4(-14)(3)}}{2(-14)}$
 $= \frac{-56 \pm \sqrt{3136 + 168}}{-28}$
 $= \frac{-56 \pm \sqrt{3304}}{-28}$

$X = \frac{-B \pm \sqrt{B^2 - 4AC}}{2A}$
 $X = \frac{-56 \pm 57.48}{-28}$
 $X = \frac{-56 + 57.48}{-28} = \frac{1.48}{-28} = -0.05 \text{ sec.}$
 $X = \frac{-56 - 57.48}{-28} = \frac{-113.48}{-28} = 4.05 \text{ sec.}$

$A = -14$
 $B = 56$
 $C = 3$

Ticket out the door:

In the last problem how would have the function changed had Tim hit a line drive that the 2nd baseman caught?