

## 9.5 Quadratic Formula

Bellwork

Homework Quiz #1

Essential Question

### Core Concept

#### Quadratic Formula

The real solutions of the quadratic equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  are

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

where  $a \neq 0$  and  $b^2 - 4ac \geq 0$ .

Core Concept

Solve  $2x^2 - 5x + 3 = 0$  using the Quadratic Formula.

$a = 2$   
 $b = -5$   
 $c = 3$

$$\frac{5 \pm \sqrt{(-5)^2 - 4 \cdot 2 \cdot 3}}{2 \cdot 2} = \frac{5 \pm 1}{4} = \begin{cases} \frac{5+1}{4} = \frac{6}{4} = 1.5 \\ \frac{5-1}{4} = \frac{4}{4} = 1 \end{cases}$$

Example 1

Solve the equation using the Quadratic Formula. Round your solutions to the nearest tenth, if necessary.

$a = \frac{1}{2}$   $b = 1$   $c = -10$

1.  $x^2 - 6x + 5 = 0$   
 $a = 1$   $b = -6$   $c = 5$   

$$\frac{6 \pm \sqrt{(-6)^2 - 4 \cdot 1 \cdot 5}}{2 \cdot 1}$$

$$\frac{6 \pm 4}{2} \begin{cases} \frac{6+4}{2} = \frac{10}{2} = 5 \\ \frac{6-4}{2} = \frac{2}{2} = 1 \end{cases}$$

2.  $\frac{1}{2}x^2 + x - 10 = 0$   

$$\frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{(1)^2 - 4(\frac{1}{2})(-10)}}{2(\frac{1}{2})} = \frac{-1 \pm 4.6}{1} = \begin{cases} \frac{-1+4.6}{1} = 3.6 \\ \frac{-1-4.6}{1} = -5.6 \end{cases}$$

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

$$\frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{(2)^2 - 4(-3)(7)}}{2(-3)}$$

$$\frac{-2 \pm 9.4}{-6} \begin{cases} \frac{-2+9.4}{-6} = -1.2 \\ \frac{-2-9.4}{-6} = 1.9 \end{cases}$$

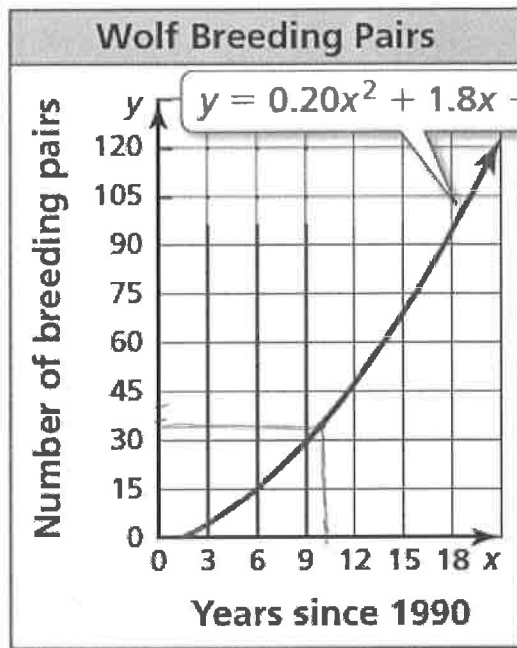
4.  $4x^2 - 4x = -1$   
 $4x^2 - 4x + 1 = 0$   
 $a = 4$   $b = -4$   $c = 1$   

$$\frac{4 \pm \sqrt{(-4)^2 - 4(4)(1)}}{2(4)}$$

$$\frac{4 \pm 0}{16} = \frac{4+0}{16} = \frac{4}{16} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\frac{4-0}{16} = \frac{4}{16} = \frac{1}{4} \quad 2$$

The number  $y$  of Northern Rocky Mountain wolf breeding pairs  $x$  years since 1990 can be modeled by the function  $y = 0.20x^2 + 1.8x - 3$ .  
When were there about 35 breeding pairs?



$$y = 35$$

$$35 = 0.20x^2 + 1.8x - 3$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 35 \\ -35 \\ \hline 0 = 0.20x^2 + 1.8x - 38 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{-1.8 \pm \sqrt{(1.8)^2 - 4(0.2)(-38)}}{2(0.2)}$$

$$\frac{-1.8 \pm 5.8}{(0.4)}$$

$$\frac{-1.8 + 5.8}{(0.4)} = 10$$

$$\frac{-1.8 - 5.8}{(0.4)} = -19$$

10 years later  
in 2000

Example 2

The number  $y$  of bald eagle nesting pairs in a state  $x$  years since 2000 can be modeled by the function  $y = 0.34x^2 + 13.1x + 51$ .

a. When were there about 160 bald eagle nesting pairs?

$$160 = 0.34x^2 + 13.1x + 51$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 160 \\ -160 \\ \hline 0 = 0.34x^2 + 13.1x - 109 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{-13.1 \pm \sqrt{(13.1)^2 - 4(0.34)(-109)}}{2(0.34)} = \frac{-13.1 \pm 17.9}{(0.68)}$$

$$\frac{-13.1 + 17.9}{0.68} = 7.1$$

$$\frac{-13.1 - 17.9}{0.68} = -45.6$$

about  
2007

b. How many bald eagle nesting pairs were there in 2000?

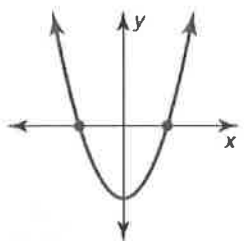
So at 0 years. What is  $y$  when  $x$  is zero?  $(0, c)$

51 pairs

## Core Concept

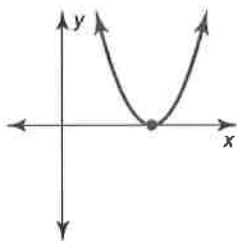
### Interpreting the Discriminant

$$b^2 - 4ac > 0$$



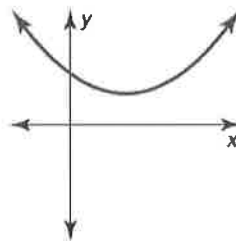
- two real solutions
- two x-intercepts

$$b^2 - 4ac = 0$$



- one real solution
- one x-intercept

$$b^2 - 4ac < 0$$



- no real solutions
- no x-intercepts

Core Concept

$$a=1 \quad b=8 \quad c=-3$$

a. Determine the number of real solutions of  $x^2 + 8x - 3 = 0$ .

$$b^2 - 4ac$$

$$8^2 - 4(1)(-3)$$

$$64 + 12 = 76 > 0$$

2 real  
solns.

b. Determine the number of real solutions of  $9x^2 + 1 = 6x$ . Write the equation in standard form:  $9x^2 - 6x + 1 = 0$ .

$$a=9 \quad b=-6 \quad c=1$$

$$(-6)^2 - 4(9)(1)$$

$$36 - 36$$

$$0 = 0$$

1 real solution

Example 3

Determine the number of real solutions of the equation.

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

$$a = -1 \quad b = 4$$

$$c = -4$$

$$(4)^2 - 4(-1)(-4)$$

$$16 - 16$$

$$0 = 0$$

1 real soln & 1 x-int.

$$8. 6x^2 + 2x = -1$$

$$6x^2 + 2x + 1 = 0$$

$$a = 6 \quad c = 1$$

$$b = 2$$

$$(2)^2 - 4(6)(1)$$

$$4 - 24$$

$$-20$$

No real solns.  
No x-int.

$$9. \frac{1}{2}x^2 = 7x - 1$$

$$\frac{1}{2}x^2 - 7x + 1 = 0$$

$$(-7)^2 - 4\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)(1)$$

$$a = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$b = -7$$

$$c = 1$$

$$49 - 2 = 47 > 0$$

2 real solns.

2 x-int.

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Find the number of x-intercepts of the graph of  $y = 2x^2 + 3x + 9$ .

$$y = 2x^2 + 3x + 9$$

$$0 = 2x^2 + 3x + 9$$

$$(3)^2 - 4(2)9$$

$$9 - 72$$

$$-63 < 0$$

No real solns.

No x-intercepts

Example 4

Solve the equation.

a.  $x^2 - 10x = 1$

$$x^2 - 10x - 1 = 0$$

$$\frac{10 \pm \sqrt{(10)^2 - 4(1)(-1)}}{2(1)} = \frac{10 \pm 10.2}{2}$$

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b.  $2x^2 - 13x - 24 = 0$

$$\frac{-13 \pm \sqrt{(-13)^2 - 4(2)(-24)}}{2 \cdot 2}$$

$$\frac{-13 \pm 19}{4} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{-13+19}{4} = \frac{6}{4} = 1.5 \\ \frac{-13-19}{4} = \frac{-32}{4} = -8 \end{array} \right.$$

c.  $x^2 + 8x + 12 = 0$

$$\frac{-8 \pm \sqrt{64 - 48}}{2}$$

$$\frac{-8 \pm 4}{2} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{-8+4}{2} = \frac{-4}{2} = -2 \\ \frac{-8-4}{2} = \frac{-12}{2} = -6 \end{array} \right.$$

Example 5

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