

## Second-Degree Function: FACTORED FORM

$$f(x) = a(x - x_1)(x - x_2)$$

$a$  is parameter  $a$  (same as the standard and general forms) - it lets us know if the parabola opens up or down and how wide .

$x_1$  and  $x_2$  are the zeros of the function.

What is the vertex of the function  $f(x) = -3(x-4)(x+5)$ ?

The zeros are  $4$  and  $-5$ .   $a(x-x_1)(x-x_2)$

Since the parabola is symmetrical, the vertex must be exactly halfway between them.

$$h = \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}$$

The average of the zeros determines the middle.

$$\therefore h = \frac{4 + -5}{2} = \frac{-1}{2}$$

and  $y$ , when  $x=h$   
 $k = f(h) = -3(-0.5 - 4)(-0.5 + 5)$   
 $k = -3(-4.5)(4.5)$   
 $k = 60.75$

The vertex of the function is  $V(-0.5, 60.75)$ .

What is the vertex of the function  $g(x) = \frac{1}{2}(x-8)(x-20)$ ?

Zeros:  $\{8, 20\}$

$$h = \frac{8+20}{2} = 14$$

$$k = \frac{1}{2}(14-8)(14-20)$$

$$k = \frac{1}{2}(6)(-6) = -18$$

The vertex is  $V(14, -18)$ .

Convert  $f(x) = -5(x+2)(x-7)$  into...

a) standard form  $\rightarrow a = -5$

Need  $h$  &  $k$

$$1) h = \frac{-2+7}{2} = 2.5$$

$$2) k = -5(2.5+2)(2.5-7)$$

$$k = -5(4.5)(-4.5)$$

$$k = 101.25$$

$$\therefore f(x) = -5(x-2.5)^2 + 101.25$$

b) general form

$$f(x) = -5\underbrace{(x+2)(x-7)}_{\text{FOIL}}$$

$$f(x) = -5\underbrace{(x^2 - 5x - 14)}$$

$$\therefore f(x) = -5x^2 + 25x + 70$$

Convert  $f(x) = -(x - 7)^2 + 9$  into factored form.

$$a = -1$$

Find the zeros (let  $y = 0$ ).

$$-9 = -(x - 7)^2 + 9$$

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

$$9 = (x - 7)^2$$

$$\pm\sqrt{9} = x - 7$$

$$\pm 3 = x - 7 \quad \text{---} \quad 1) \quad 3 = x - 7 \quad 2) \quad -3 = x - 7$$

$$10 = x_1 \quad 4 = x_2$$

$$f(x) = -(x - 10)(x - 4)$$

Convert  $y = 3x^2 - 35x - 12$  into factored form.

$a = 3$  Find the zeros (let  $y = 0$ ).

$$0 = 3x^2 - 35x - 12$$

1) By factoring  $\left. \begin{matrix} m+n=-35 \\ mxn=-36 \end{matrix} \right\} \cdot 3b, 1$

$$0 = 3x^2 + x - 36x - 12$$

$$0 = x(3x + 1) - 12(3x + 1)$$

$$0 = (3x + 1)(x - 12)$$

$$3x + 1 = 0$$

$$3x = -1 \rightarrow x_1 = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$x - 12 = 0 \rightarrow$$

2) Quadratic Equation

$$x = \frac{-(-35) \pm \sqrt{1225 - 4(3)(-12)}}{6}$$

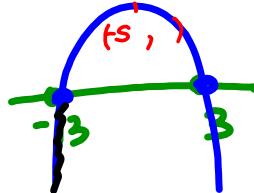
$$x = \frac{35 \pm \sqrt{1369}}{6} = \frac{35 \pm 37}{6}$$

$$\left. \begin{matrix} x_1 = \frac{35+37}{6} \\ x_2 = \frac{35-37}{6} \end{matrix} \right\}$$

$$y = 3\left(x + \frac{1}{3}\right)(x - 12)$$

Provide a study of the function  $f(x) = -\frac{3}{4}(x-3)(x+13)$ .

Dom:  $\mathbb{R}$



Increasing:  $]-\infty, -5]$

Ran:  $]-\infty, 48]$

$$h = -\frac{-13+3}{2} \\ = \frac{-10}{2} \\ = -5$$

Decreasing:  $[-5, +\infty[$

Max: 48

$$y\text{-intercept: } x=0, -\frac{3}{4}(-3)(13) = \frac{117}{4}$$

Min: None

$$k = -0.75(-8)(8) \\ = (6)(8) \\ = 48$$

Zero(s):  $\{-13, 3\}$

Positive:  $[13, 3]$

Axis of Symmetry:  $x = -5$

Negative:  $]-\infty, -13] \cup [3, +\infty[$

Provide a study of the function  $f(x) = 2x(x + 7)$ .

