

3.5 Solving Quadratic Equations

Warm Up

Expand and Simplify the following expression:

$$\left[x - (5 - \sqrt{2}) \right] \left[x - (5 + \sqrt{2}) \right]$$

$$= x^2 - (5 + \sqrt{2})x - (5 - \sqrt{2})x + (5 - \sqrt{2})(5 + \sqrt{2})$$

$$= x^2 - 5x - \cancel{\sqrt{2}x} - 5x + \cancel{\sqrt{2}x} + 25 + \cancel{5\sqrt{2}} - \cancel{5\sqrt{2}} - \sqrt{4}$$

$$= x^2 - 10x + 25 - 2$$

$$= \underline{x^2 - 10x + 23}$$

$$= \left[(x - 5) + \sqrt{2} \right] \left[(x - 5) - \sqrt{2} \right]$$

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

$$= (x - 5)^2 - 2$$

$$= x^2 - 10x + 25 - 2$$

$$= \underline{x^2 - 10x + 23}$$

Quadratic Formula(proof)

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$$

$$a\left(x^2 + \frac{b}{a}x\right) + c = 0$$

$$a\left[x^2 + \frac{b}{a}x + \left(\frac{b}{2a}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{b}{2a}\right)^2\right] + c = 0$$

$$a\left[\left(x + \frac{b}{2a}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{b}{2a}\right)^2\right] + c = 0$$

$$a\left(x + \frac{b}{2a}\right)^2 - a\left(\frac{b}{2a}\right)^2 + c = 0$$

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Quadratic
Formula

Solving by Factoring

eg1 Determine the roots by factoring:

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

$$2x^2 - 8x + x - 4 = 0$$

$$2x(x-4) + 1(x-4) = 0$$

$$(2x+1)(x-4) = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ 2x+1=0 \quad x-4=0 \\ 2x=-1 \quad x=4 \\ x=-\frac{1}{2} \end{array}$$

∴ The roots are $-\frac{1}{2}$ and 4

Solving using Quadratic Formula

eg2. Determine the roots by completing the square or using quadratic formula:

$$0 = x^2 - 10x + 23$$

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

$$x = \frac{10 \pm \sqrt{100 - 4(1)(23)}}{2(1)} \quad \leftarrow \text{Quadratic formula}$$

$$= \frac{10 \pm \sqrt{100 - 92}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{10 \pm \sqrt{8}}{2}$$

$$= 5 \pm \frac{\sqrt{4} \sqrt{2}}{2}$$

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

∴ The roots are $5 + \sqrt{2}$
and $5 - \sqrt{2}$

$$x^2 - 10x + 23 = 0 \quad \leftarrow \text{completing the square}$$

$$[x^2 - 10x + 25 - 25] + 23 = 0$$

$$[(x-5)^2 - 25] + 23 = 0$$

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

$$(x-5)^2 = 2$$

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

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

* You can always use technology to check your answer to the solution of a quadratic (observe the x-intercepts)

Homework p177 #1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11
state the exact value where possible!

Quiz Thursday

- Simplifying Radical Expressions 3.4
- Completing the square (max/min of quadratics) 3.2
- Identifying properties of a quadratic given one of the 3 forms (standard/vertex/factored form) 3.1

H/w Take up (3.4 p167)

$$\begin{aligned}6) \ b/ \quad & \sqrt{12} + \sqrt{18} - \sqrt{27} + \sqrt{50} \\ &= \sqrt{4}\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{9}\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{9}\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{25}\sqrt{2} \\ &= 2\sqrt{3} + 3\sqrt{2} - 3\sqrt{3} + 5\sqrt{2} \\ &= -\sqrt{3} + 8\sqrt{2} \\ &= \underline{8\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{3}}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}7) \ f/ \quad & (1 - \sqrt{3})(2 + \sqrt{6})(5 + \sqrt{2}) \\ &= (2 + \sqrt{6} - 2\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{18})(5 + \sqrt{2}) \\ &= (2 + \sqrt{6} - 2\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{9}\sqrt{2})(5 + \sqrt{2}) \\ &= (2 + \sqrt{6} - 2\sqrt{3} - 3\sqrt{2})(5 + \sqrt{2}) \\ &= 10 + 2\sqrt{2} + 5\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{12} - 10\sqrt{3} - 2\sqrt{6} - 15\sqrt{2} - 3\sqrt{4} \\ &= 10 + 2\sqrt{2} + 5\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{4}\sqrt{3} - 10\sqrt{3} - 2\sqrt{6} - 15\sqrt{2} - 6 \\ &= 4 - 13\sqrt{2} + 3\sqrt{6} - 8\sqrt{3} \\ &= \underline{4 + 3\sqrt{6} - 8\sqrt{3} - 13\sqrt{2}}\end{aligned}$$