4-7 Quadratic Formula

Used to solve ANY quadratic equation

~ What are previous methods?

~ What other method can be used?

Solutions to a Quadratic Equation

Solutions to any equation when set equal to zero are the x-intercepts.





The quadratic formula is derived from $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ using completing the square.

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

The Discriminant



Find the discriminant and use it to describe the solution set.

 $\chi^2 + 10\chi + 25 = 0$

Find the discriminant and use it to describe the

solution set.

 $-2\chi^2 + 4\chi = 20$

Solve using the quadratic formula.

 $x^2 + 6x = 5$



Solve using the quadratic formula.

 $2X^2 + 3X = 4$





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Do you know HOW?

Solve each equation using the Quadratic Formula.

1.
$$x^2 - 5x - 7 = 0$$

2. $x^2 + 3x - 13 = 0$
3. $2x^2 - 5x - 3 = 0$
4. $3x^2 - 4x + 3 = 0$

Find the discriminant of each quadratic equation. Determine the number of real solutions.

5.
$$-x^2 + 2x - 9 = 0$$

6. $x^2 + 17x + 4 = 0$
7. $x^2 - 6x + 9 = 0$

Do you UNDERSTAND? O PRACTICES

8. Reasoning For what values of \overline{k} does the equation $x^2 + kx + 9 = 0$ have one real solution? two real solutions?

- 9. Error Analysis Your friend concluded that because two discriminants are equal, the solutions to the two equations are the same. Explain your friend's error. Give an example of two quadratic equations that disprove this conclusion.
- 10. Reasoning If one quadratic equation has a positive discriminant, and another quadratic equation has a discriminant equal to 0, can the two quadratic equations share a solution? Explain why or why not. If so, give two quadratic equations that meet this criterion.