

Outline

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2. Quadratics.
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1. Polynomials

$$q(x) = k(x+2)^3 \cdot (x-1)^2 \cdot (x-3)$$

④ Find value of k .

• Need coordinates of point from graph that is not a root.

$$x = 0 \quad y = -1.$$

$$q(x) = -1.$$

$$-1 = k \cdot (0+2)^3 \cdot (0-1)^2 \cdot (0-3)$$

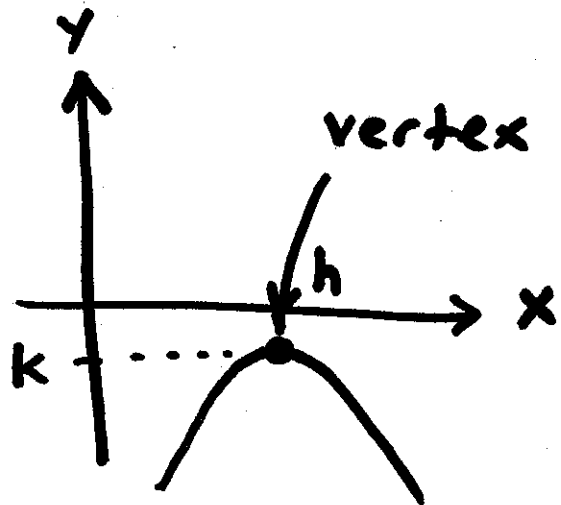
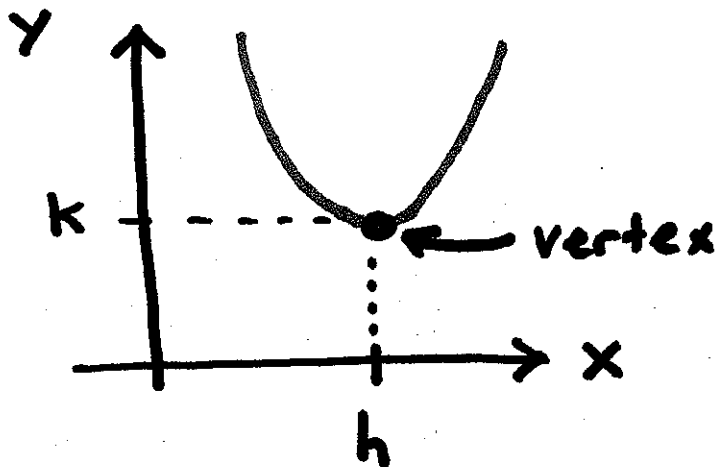
$$-1 = k \cdot (-24)$$

$$\frac{1}{24} = k.$$

Final answer:

$$q(x) = \frac{1}{24} (x+2)^3 \cdot (x-1)^2 \cdot (x-3)$$

2. Quadratics that Don't Cross the x-axis



Vertex

Form:

$$y = a \cdot (x - h)^2 + k$$

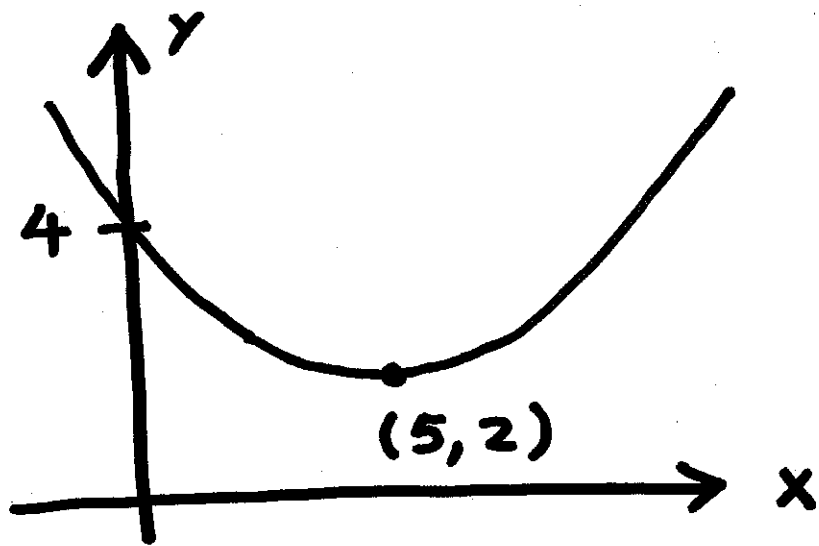
constant
of proportionality.

x-coord
of vertex

y-coord
of vertex.

Example

Find a formula for the
quadratic graphed below.



Solution:

$$y = a \cdot (x - 5)^2 + 2$$

To find 'a' plug in $x=0$ $y=4$.

$$4 = a \cdot (0 - 5)^2 + 2$$

$$2 = a \cdot (25)$$

$$\frac{2}{25} = a$$

minus
2 both
sides

÷ both
sides by
25.

Final answer: $y = \frac{2}{25} (x - 5)^2 + 2$.

3. Rational Functions

- Functions whose formula can be expressed as a fraction with a polynomial in the numerator and a polynomial in the denominator.

Example

$$R(x) = \frac{x^2 - 4}{x + 2} \quad L(x) = x - 2.$$

Are these different or the same?

Solution

$$R(x) = \frac{(x-2)(x+2)}{(x+2)} \stackrel{???}{=} x-2$$

They are different because at one point ($x = -2$), the $R(x)$

formula looks like $\frac{0}{0}$, which is undefined. So $x = -2$ is not in the domain of $R(x)$. But $x = -2$ is in the domain of $L(x)$. Since $R(x)$ and $L(x)$ have different domains they are different functions even though their values agree at every x -value except $x = -2$.

4. Composite Functions

- Put two functions together to create a new function by using the output of one function as the input to the next function.

Example

$$f(x) = 7 + \sqrt{x}$$

$$g(x) = x^2 + 4x + 9.$$

Find formulas for:

(a) $f(g(x))$ (b) $g(f(x))$

(c) $g(g(x))$.

Solution

(a) ① Write outermost formula with parentheses around each x present.

outer formula: $f(x) = 7 + \sqrt{x}$

$$f(\textcircled{x}) = 7 + \sqrt{\textcircled{x}}$$

② Erase x 's leaving parentheses there.

$$f(\quad) = 7 + \sqrt{\quad}$$

③ Within each set of parentheses write the formula of the innermost function.

$$f((x^2 + 4x + 9)) = 7 + \sqrt{(x^2 + 4x + 9)}$$

$$f(g(x)) = 7 + \sqrt{x^2 + 4x + 9}$$

(b) $g(f(x))$.

$$g(x) = x^2 + 4x + 9$$

$$g(x) = (x)^2 + 4(x) + 9$$

$$g(\quad) = (\quad)^2 + 4(\quad) + 9$$

$$g((7 + \sqrt{x})) = (7 + \sqrt{x})^2 + 4(7 + \sqrt{x}) + 9$$

$$g(f(x)) = (7 + \sqrt{x})^2 + 4(7 + \sqrt{x}) + 9$$

$$(c) \quad g(g(x))$$

$$g(\quad) = (\quad)^2 + 4(\quad) + 9$$

$$g((x^2+4x+9)) = (x^2+4x+9)^2 + 4(x^2+4x+9) + 9$$

5. Sine and Cosine

Three important numbers for sine and cosine graphs:

- M = midline (y-value splitting graph in two)
- A = amplitude (maximum deviation of graph from midline).
- P = period (horizontal distance between peaks on graph).

