

QUADRATIC EQUATIONS

FUNCTION: pairs one number with another, its IMAGE.
can be defined by a formula

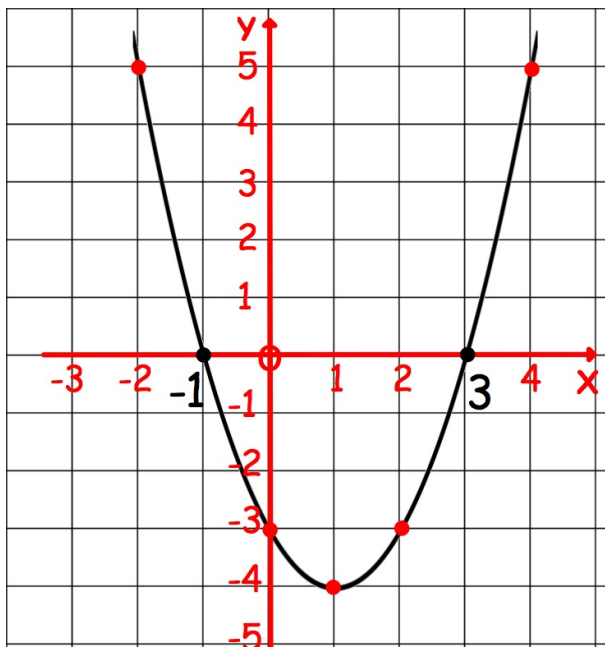
QUADRATIC FUNCTION: $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$

a , b and c are constants, $a \neq 0$

$$f(x) = x^2 - 2x - 3$$

$$f(1) = 1^2 - 2 \times 1 - 3 = -4$$

On the graph $y = f(x)$ this gives point (1,-4)



$$y = x^2 - 2x - 3$$

Graph is a PARABOLA,
a symmetrical curve.

The x-intercepts -1 and 3
are where $x^2 - 2x - 3 = 0$
The ZEROS are -1 and 3

Equation $x^2 - 2x - 3 = 0$ has ROOTS -1 and 3

$$(-1)^2 - 2 \times (-1) - 3 = 0$$

$$3^2 - 2 \times 3 - 3 = 0$$

SOLVING QUADRATIC EQUATIONS

The ROOTS of $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$, $a \neq 0$
are the values of x which satisfy the equation.

FACTORISATION

write in form $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$

factorise $(\quad)(\quad) = 0$

separate factors $(\quad) = 0$ or $(\quad) = 0$

and solve

$$(1) \quad 12x - 8x^2 = 0$$
$$4x(3 - 2x) = 0$$

$$4x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad 3 - 2x = 0$$
$$2x = 3$$
$$\underline{\underline{x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = \frac{3}{2}}}$$

$$(2) \quad x^2 - 6x + 8 = 0$$
$$(x - 2)(x - 4) = 0$$

$$x - 2 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x - 4 = 0$$
$$\underline{\underline{x = 2 \quad \text{or} \quad x = 4}}$$

$$(3) \quad 4x^2 - 9 = 0$$
$$(2x + 3)(2x - 3) = 0$$

$$2x + 3 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad 2x - 3 = 0$$
$$2x = -3 \quad \quad \quad 2x = 3$$
$$\underline{\underline{x = -\frac{3}{2} \quad \text{or} \quad x = \frac{3}{2}}}$$

$$(4) \quad 6x^2 + x - 2 = 0$$

$$(3x + 2)(2x - 1) = 0$$

$$3x + 2 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad 2x - 1 = 0$$

$$3x = -2 \quad \quad \quad 2x = 1$$

$$x = -\frac{2}{3} \quad \text{or} \quad x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$(5) \quad 3x^2 - 6x - 24 = 0$$

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

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

can simplify by dividing
by the common factor 3

$$x + 2 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x - 4 = 0$$

$$\underline{\underline{x = -2 \quad \text{or} \quad x = 4}}$$

equation requires rearrangement to $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$

$$(6) \quad (t + 1)^2 = 2(t + 5)$$

$$t^2 + 2t + 1 = 2t + 10$$

$$t^2 - 9 = 0$$

$$(t + 3)(t - 3) = 0$$

$$\underline{\underline{t = -3 \quad \text{or} \quad t = 3}}$$

$$(7) \quad \frac{2}{x} = \frac{x + 3}{5}$$

$$10 = x(x + 3)$$

$$10 = x^2 + 3x$$

$$0 = x^2 + 3x - 10$$

$$x^2 + 3x - 10 = 0$$

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

$$\underline{\underline{x = -5 \quad \text{or} \quad x = 2}}$$

QUADRATIC FORMULA

The quadratic equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$

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

The quadratic formula finds the ROOTS of the equation.

NOTE: If $b^2 - 4ac$ is 0, 1, 4, 9....
the equation can be solved by factorising.

Find the roots of $3x^2 - 4x - 9 = 0$

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

$$a = 3, b = -4, c = -9$$

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

$$= \frac{+4 \pm \sqrt{124}}{6}$$

$$= \frac{4 - \sqrt{124}}{6} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{4 + \sqrt{124}}{6}$$

$$= -1.189... \quad \text{or} \quad 2.522...$$

$$\underline{\underline{x = -1.2 \quad \text{or} \quad x = 2.5}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & b^2 - 4ac \\ & = (-4)^2 - 4 \times 3 \times (-9) \\ & = 124 \end{aligned}$$

DISCRIMINANT

The ROOTS of the quadratic equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$

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

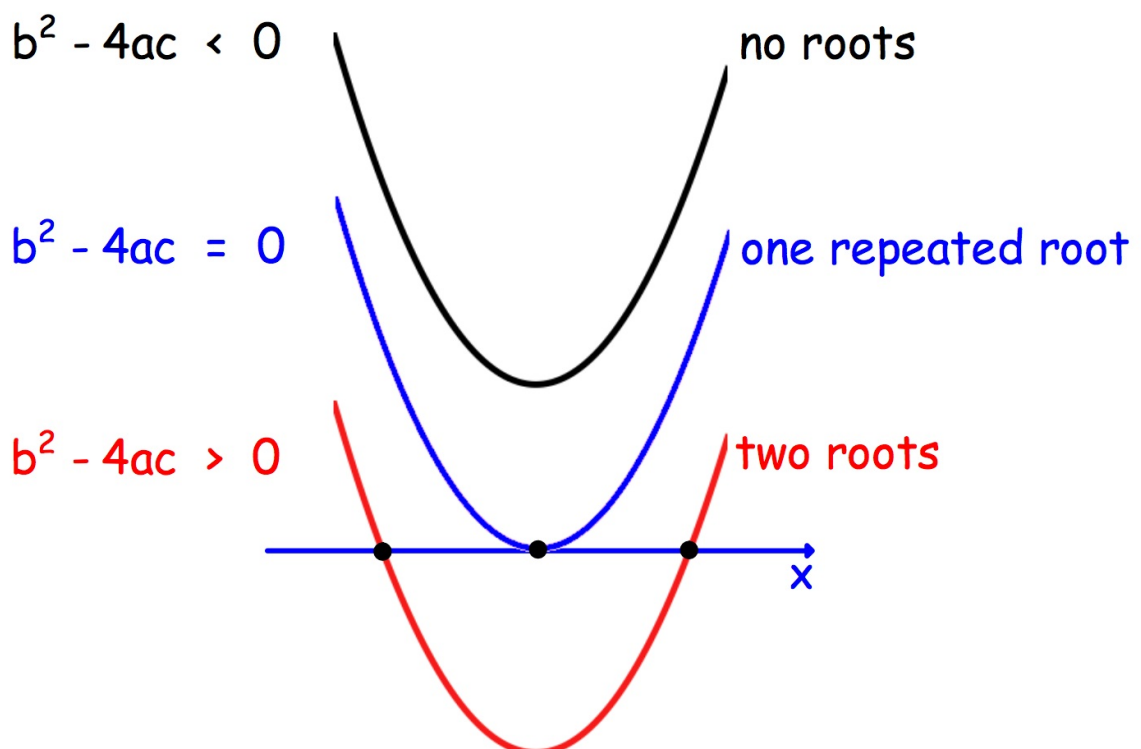
$\pm \sqrt{\text{positive}}$ two solutions

$\pm \sqrt{0}$ one solution

$\pm \sqrt{\text{negative}}$ no solution

The DISCRIMINANT $b^2 - 4ac$

is used to determine the NATURE of the roots.



NATURE OF THE ROOTS

$b^2 - 4ac > 0$ TWO REAL AND DISTINCT ROOTS

$b^2 - 4ac = 0$ TWO REAL AND EQUAL ROOTS

$b^2 - 4ac < 0$ NO REAL ROOTS

NOTE:

(i) condition for REAL ROOTS $b^2 - 4ac \geq 0$

(ii) if $b^2 - 4ac$ is a square number 0, 1, 4, 9... then
the roots are RATIONAL, otherwise IRRATIONAL.
(SURD)

(1) Find the nature of the roots of $3x^2 - 4x - 9 = 0$

$$a = 3, b = -4, c = -9$$

$$b^2 - 4ac = (-4)^2 - 4 \times 3 \times (-9) = 124$$

$$b^2 - 4ac > 0 \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{\text{two real and distinct roots}}}$$

(and irrational)

(2) Find the nature of the roots of $2x^2 - x + 1 = 0$

$$a = 2, b = -1, c = 1$$

$$b^2 - 4ac = (-1)^2 - 4 \times 2 \times 1 = -7$$

$$b^2 - 4ac < 0 \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{\text{no real roots}}}$$

UNKNOWNNS

(1) Given $px^2 + 4x + p = 0$ has EQUAL roots, find p .

$$a = p, \quad b = 4, \quad c = p$$

$$b^2 - 4ac = 4^2 - 4 \times p \times p = 16 - 4p^2$$

$$\text{for equal roots} \Rightarrow b^2 - 4ac = 0$$

$$16 - 4p^2 = 0$$

$$4 - p^2 = 0$$

$$p^2 = 4$$

$$\underline{\underline{p = -2 \text{ or } p = 2}}$$

(2) Given $6x^2 + 12x + k = 0$ has REAL roots, find k .

$$a = 6, \quad b = 12, \quad c = k$$

$$b^2 - 4ac = 12^2 - 4 \times 6 \times k = 144 - 24k$$

$$\text{for real roots} \Rightarrow b^2 - 4ac \geq 0$$

$$144 - 24k \geq 0$$

$$-24k \geq -144$$

$$\underline{\underline{k \leq 6}}$$

GRAPH TRANSFORMATIONS

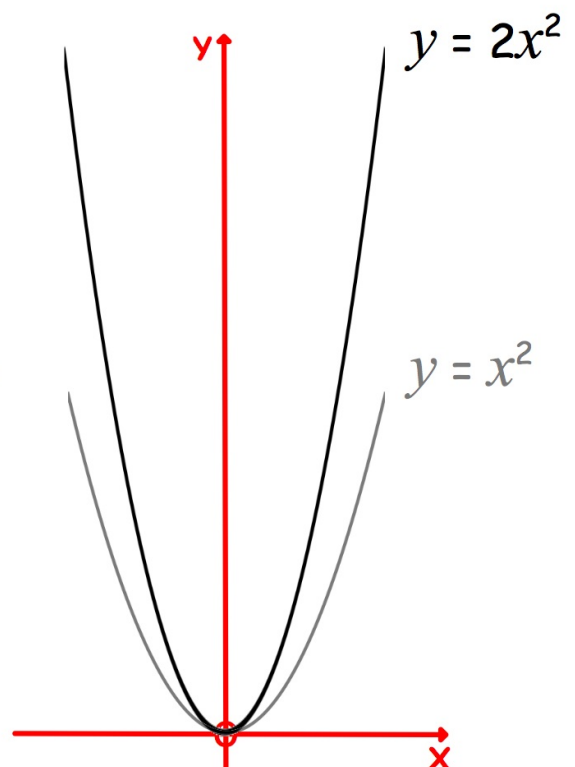
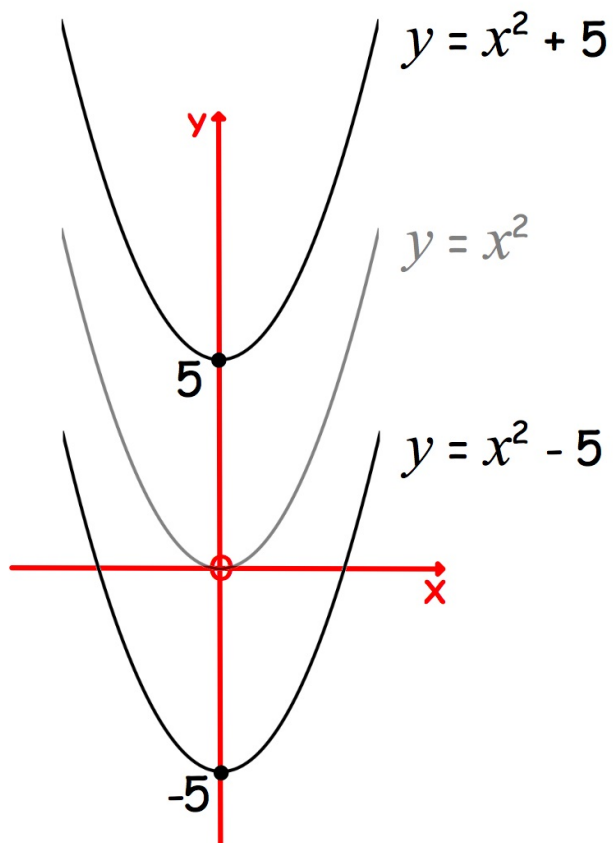
Transform graph $y = x^2$

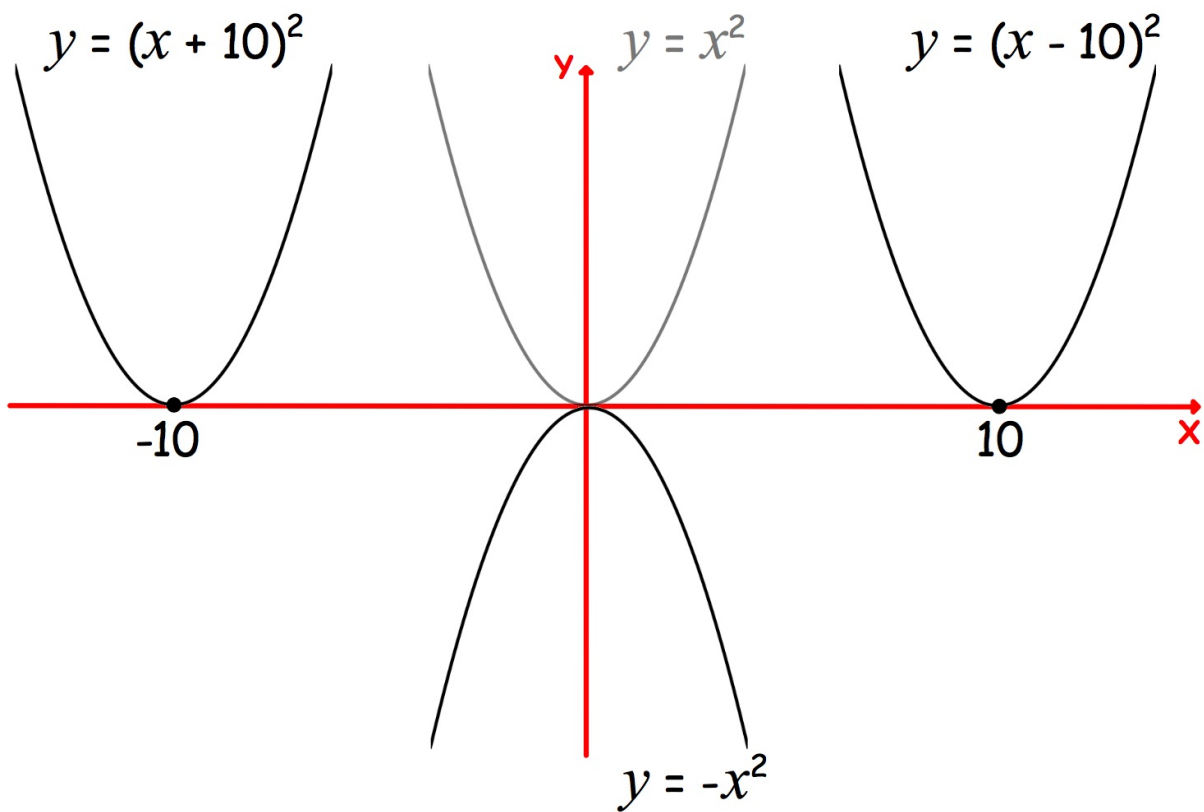
$y = ax^2$ stretch a units vertically

$y = -1x^2$ reflect in the x-axis

$y = (x + b)^2$ shift $-b$ horizontally

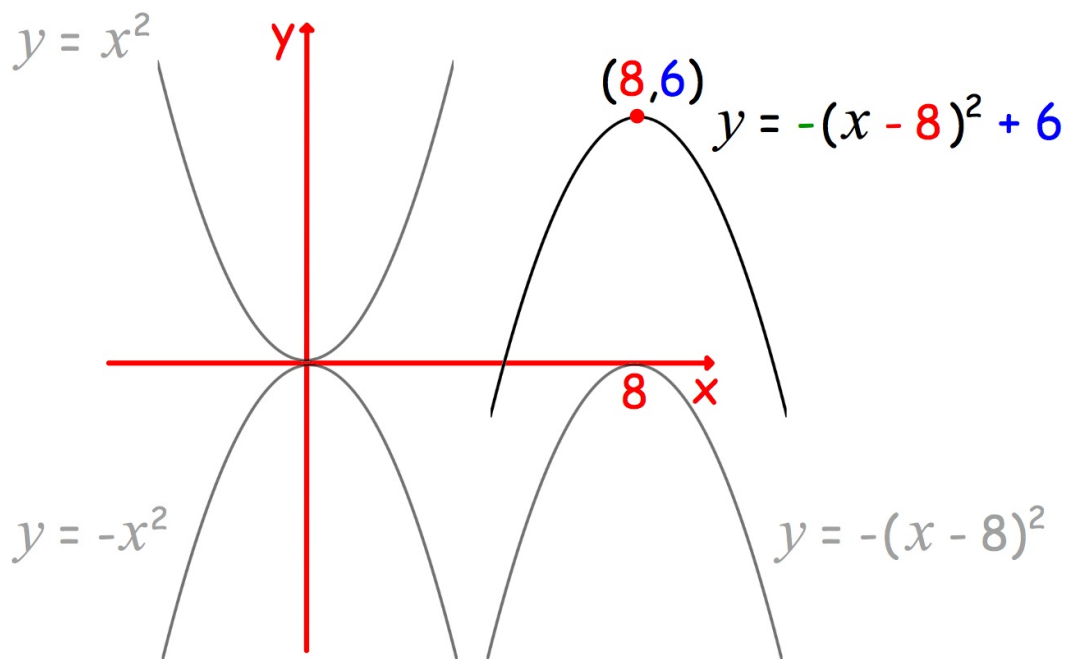
$y = x^2 + c$ shift c units vertically





COMBINING TRANSFORMATIONS

$$y = 6 - (x - 8)^2$$



SKETCH GRAPHS

(i) Y-INTERCEPT: substitute $x = 0$

(ii) X-INTERCEPTS (if any): substitute $y = 0$
solve $(x - a)(x - b) = 0$

(iii) TURNING POINT:


$$y = \pm 1(x + b)^2 + c$$

axis of symmetry $x = -b$

TP $(-b, c)$

+1

minimum

-1

maximum

OR

(iii) TURNING POINT:

$$y = (x - a)(x - b)$$

axis of symmetry $x = \frac{a + b}{2}$

substitute for x in equation

(1) $y = x^2 - 6x + 5$

(i) $y = 0^2 - 6 \times 0 + 5 = 5$

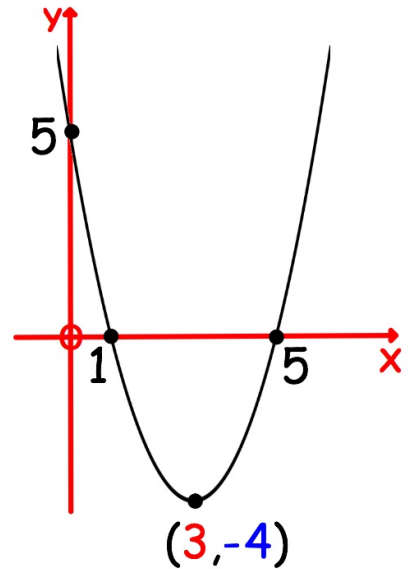
(ii) $x^2 - 6x + 5 = 0$
 $(x - 1)(x - 5) = 0$
 $x = 1$ or $x = 5$

$\frac{1 + 5}{2}$

(iii) **axis of symmetry: $x = 3$**

$$\begin{aligned} y &= x^2 - 6x + 5 \\ &= 3^2 - 6 \times 3 + 5 \\ &= -4 \end{aligned}$$

minimum TP: $(3, -4)$



(2) $y = (x - 3)^2 + 2$

(i) $y = (0 - 3)^2 + 2$
 $= 9 + 2$
 $= 11$

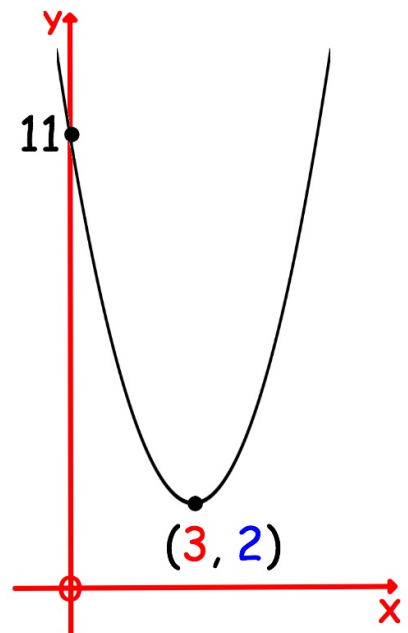
(ii) no zeros

make $(0)^2$

(iii) **axis of symmetry: $x = 3$**

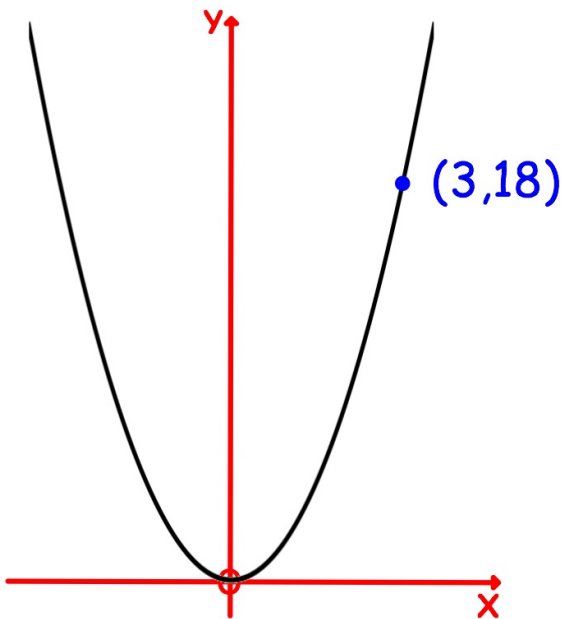
$$\begin{aligned} y &= (x - 3)^2 + 2 \\ y &= (3 - 3)^2 + 2 \\ &= 0^2 + 2 \end{aligned}$$

minimum TP: $(3, 2)$



EQUATION FROM THE GRAPH

(1) Form $y = kx^2$



$$y = kx^2$$

$$18 = k \times 3 \times 3$$

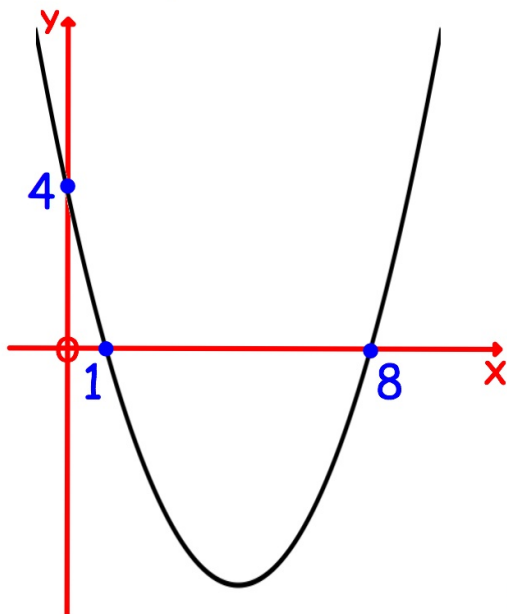
$$18 = 9k$$

$$k = 2$$

$$\underline{\underline{y = 2x^2}}$$

for (3,18) substitute
 $x = 3$ and $y = 18$

(2) Form $y = k(x - a)(x - b)$



$$y = k(x - 1)(x - 8)$$

$$4 = k(0 - 1)(0 - 8)$$

$$4 = 8k$$

$$k = \frac{4}{8}$$

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

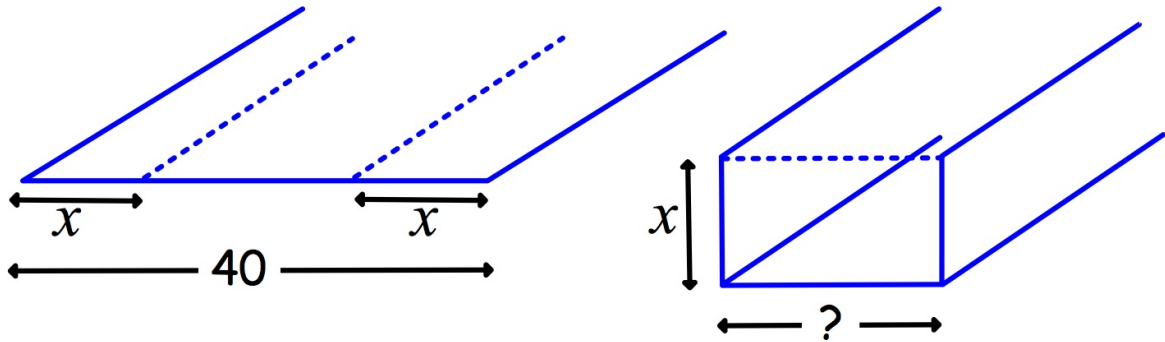
$$\underline{\underline{y = \frac{1}{2}(x - 1)(x - 8)}}$$

for (0,4) substitute
 $x = 0$ and $y = 4$

MAXIMUM / MINIMUM PROBLEMS

Find the turning point of the graph.

A rectangular sheet of metal 40cm wide is folded x cm from each end to form a gutter.



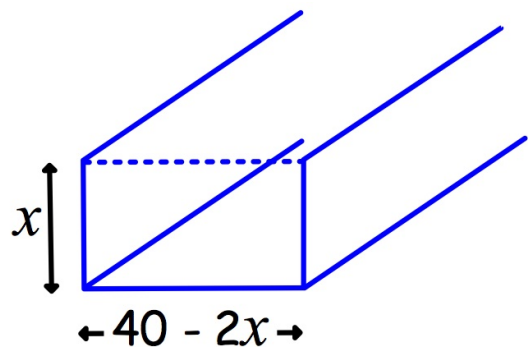
(a) Show the cross-sectional area is $A(x) = 40x - 2x^2$

(b) Find the value of x which will maximise the water flow.

(a) $A = lb$

$$A = x(40 - 2x)$$

$$A(x) = 40x - 2x^2$$



(b) $40x - 2x^2 = 0$

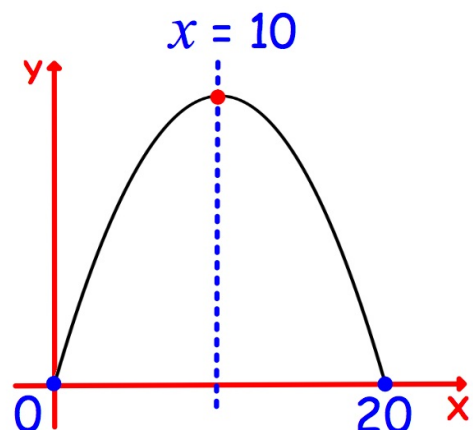
$$2x(20 - x) = 0$$

$$2x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad 20 - x = 0$$

$$x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = 20$$

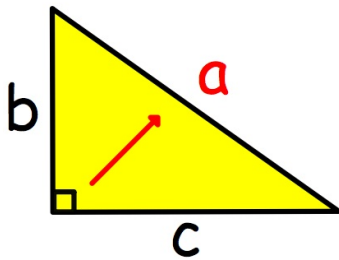
$$(0 + 20) \div 2 = 10$$

$$\underline{\underline{x = 10}}$$



PYTHAGORAS' THEOREM

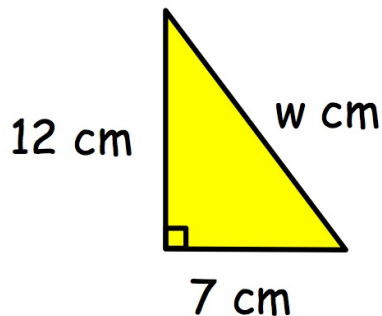
For right-angled triangles only:



$$a^2 = b^2 + c^2$$

HYPOTENUSE (largest side) is opposite the 90° angle.

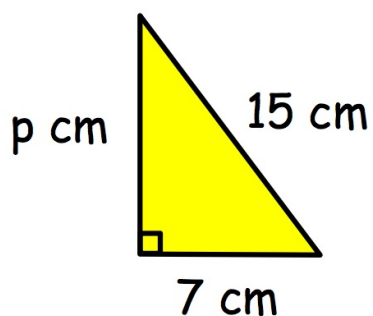
BIGGEST SIDE



$$\begin{aligned}w^2 &= 12^2 + 7^2 \\ &= 144 + 49 \\ &= 193\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}w &= \sqrt{193} \\ &= 13.892\dots \\ w &\approx 13.9\end{aligned}$$

SMALLER SIDE



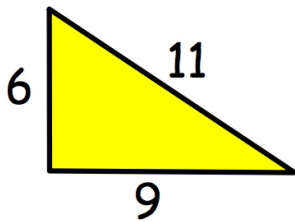
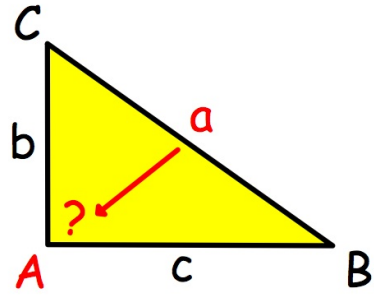
$$\begin{aligned}p^2 &= 15^2 - 7^2 \\ &= 225 - 49 \\ &= 176\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}p &= \sqrt{176} \\ &= 13.266\dots \\ p &\approx 13.3\end{aligned}$$

CONVERSE OF PYTH. THM.

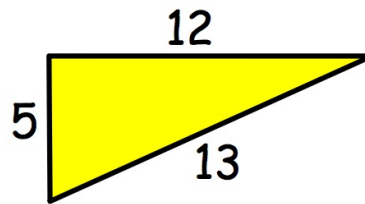
if $a^2 = b^2 + c^2$
then $\triangle ABC$ is right-angled

(right-angled at A ie. $\angle BAC = 90^\circ$)



$$6^2 + 9^2 \neq 11^2$$

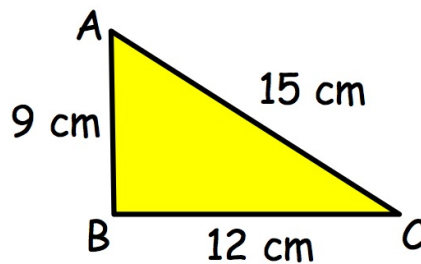
\triangle is not right-angled



$$5^2 + 12^2 = 13^2$$

\triangle is right-angled

Show that triangle
 ABC is right-angled.



$$9^2 + 12^2 = 225$$

$$15^2 = 225$$

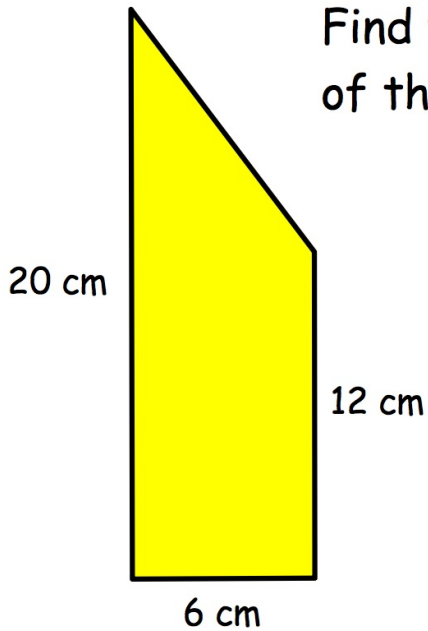
since $AB^2 + BC^2 = AC^2$

by the Converse of Pyth. Thm.

$\triangle ABC$ is right-angled at B .

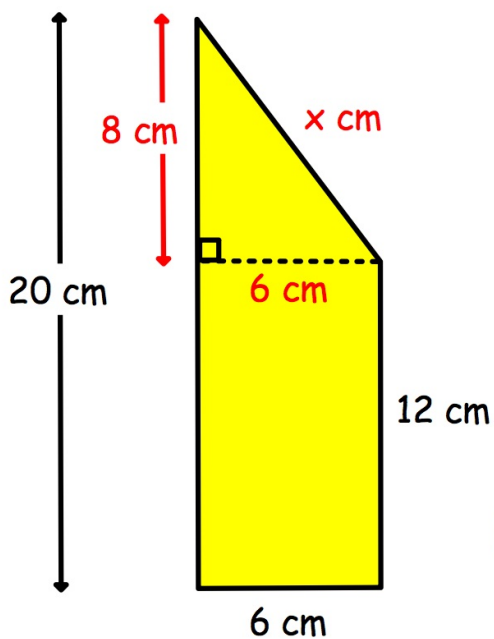
APPLYING PYTH. THM.

Identify the right angled triangle.



Find the perimeter of the shape.

height of triangle $20 \text{ cm} - 12 \text{ cm} = 8 \text{ cm}$

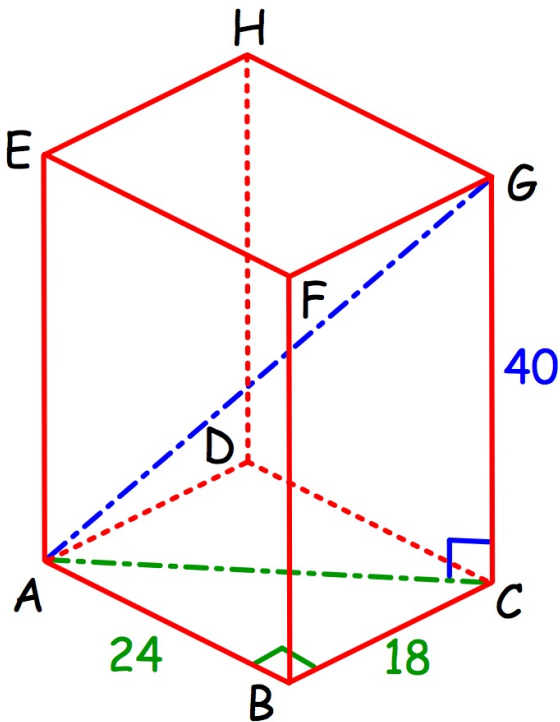


$$\begin{aligned}x^2 &= 8^2 + 6^2 \\ &= 64 + 36 \\ &= 100\end{aligned}$$

$$x = 10$$

$$\begin{aligned}P &= 20\text{cm} + 6\text{cm} + 12\text{cm} + 10\text{cm} \\ &= \underline{\underline{48 \text{ cm}}}\end{aligned}$$

3D Find the length of space diagonal AG .



$\triangle ABC$ face diagonal

$$\begin{aligned} AC^2 &= 24^2 + 18^2 \\ &= 576 + 324 \\ &= 900 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} AC &= \sqrt{900} \\ &= 30 \end{aligned}$$

$\triangle ACG$ space diagonal

$$\begin{aligned} AG^2 &= 40^2 + 30^2 \\ &= 1600 + 900 \\ &= 2500 \end{aligned}$$

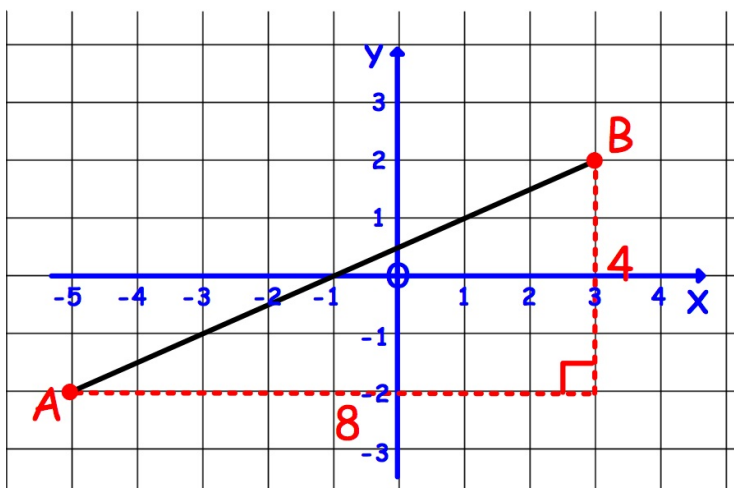
$$\begin{aligned} AG &= \sqrt{2500} \\ &= 50 \end{aligned}$$

DISTANCE BETWEEN TWO POINTS

Plot the points.

Construct a right-angled triangle around them.

$A (-5, -2)$ and $B (3, 2)$



$$\begin{aligned} AB^2 &= 8^2 + 4^2 \\ &= 64 + 16 \\ &= 80 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} AB &= \sqrt{80} \\ &= 8.944... \end{aligned}$$

$$AB \approx 8.9 \text{ units}$$