

## 5 Quadratic functions

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1 For each of the following parabolas, find the vertex.

a)  $y = -2x^2 + 8x - 5$

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

$$(2, 3)$$

b)  $y = 3x^2 + 2x + 1$

$$= 3(x+\frac{1}{3})^2 + \frac{2}{3}$$

$$(-\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3})$$

c)  $y = 4 - 2x + \frac{1}{2}x^2$

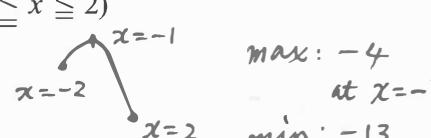
$$= \frac{1}{2}(x-2)^2 + 2$$

$$(2, 2)$$

2 For each of the following functions, find the maximum and minimum values when  $x$  varies within the domain indicated in ( ). Also, find the value of  $x$  at which the function attains its maximum and minimum.

a)  $y = -x^2 - 2x - 5 \quad (-2 \leq x \leq 2)$

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



$$\max: -4$$

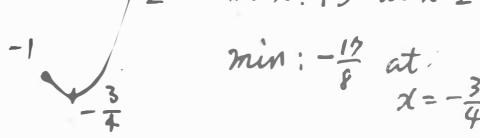
at  $x = -1$

$$\min: -13$$

at  $x = 2$

b)  $y = 2x^2 + 3x - 1 \quad (-1 \leq x \leq 2)$

$$= 2(x+\frac{3}{4})^2 - \frac{17}{8}$$



$$\max: 13 \text{ at } x = 2$$

min:  $-\frac{17}{8}$  at  $x = -\frac{3}{4}$

3 Solve the following equations over the complex numbers.

a)  $2x^2 + 3x - 1 = 0$

$$x = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{17}}{4}$$

b)  $3x^2 - 5x + 9 = 0$

$$x = \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{83}}{6}$$

c)  $x^2 - 2x + 2 = 0$

$$x = 1 \pm i$$

d)  $4x(x+5) = -25$

$$4x^2 + 20x + 25 = 0$$

$$(2x+5)^2 = 0 \quad x = -\frac{5}{2} \text{ (double sol.)}$$

e)  $\frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{2x}{3} + \frac{1}{3} = 0$

$$3x^2 + 4x + 2 = 0$$

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

4 Solve the following inequalities.

a)  $2x^2 + x - 6 > 0$

$$(2x-3)(x+2) > 0$$

$$x < -2, \quad x > \frac{3}{2}$$

b)  $2x^2 - 3x - 2 \leq 0$

$$(2x+1)(x-2) \leq 0$$

$$-\frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq 2$$

c)  $2(x^2 - x) < 3(x + 1)$

$$2x^2 - 5x - 3 < 0$$

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

$$-\frac{1}{2} < x < 3$$

d)  $x^2 + x - 1 < 0$

$$x^2 + x - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$\therefore -\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} < x < \frac{-1+\sqrt{5}}{2}$$

e)  $4x^2 - 4x + 1 > 0$

$$(2x-1)^2 > 0$$

$$x \neq \frac{1}{2}$$

f)  $2x^2 - 3x + 2 < 0$

$$2(x-\frac{3}{4})^2 + \frac{7}{8} < 0$$

No solution.

5 There is a rectangle whose vertical length is 1cm longer than the horizontal length. When the area is  $21\text{cm}^2$ , what is the length of the vertical side and the horizontal side, respectively.

$x$ : horizontal length.

$$x(x+1) = 21$$

$$x^2 + x - 21 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{85}}{2}$$

$$x > 0 \text{ f'}$$

$$x = \frac{\sqrt{85}-1}{2} \dots \text{horizontal}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{85}+1}{2} \dots \text{vertical}$$

6 A rocket is launched in the air. Its height, in meters above sea level, as a function of time, in seconds, is given by  $h(t) = -4.9t^2 + 147t - 602.5$ . Find the maximum height the rocket attains.

$$h(t) = -4.9(t-15)^2 + 500$$

$$500 \text{ m } (t=15)$$