

# Simplifying Radicals Primer

Rules:  $\sqrt{ab} = \sqrt{a} \cdot \sqrt{b}$   $a \geq 0, b \geq 0$  \* cannot have a RADICAL in the denominator of a fraction

$$\sqrt{\frac{a}{b}} = \frac{\sqrt{a}}{\sqrt{b}} \quad a \geq 0, b > 0$$

$$\sqrt{a} \cdot \sqrt{a} = (\sqrt{a})^2 = a$$

$$M\sqrt{a} \cdot N\sqrt{b} = MN\sqrt{ab} \quad a, b \geq 0$$

Exs: SIMPLIFY the following:

a)  $\sqrt{25} = \boxed{5}$

b)  $\sqrt{24} = \sqrt{4 \times 6} = \sqrt{4} \cdot \sqrt{6} = \boxed{2\sqrt{6}}$

c)  $\sqrt{125} = \sqrt{25 \cdot 5} = \boxed{5\sqrt{5}}$

d)  $\frac{\sqrt{48}}{\sqrt{6}} = \sqrt{\frac{48}{6}} = \boxed{\sqrt{8}} = \boxed{2\sqrt{2}}$

e)  $\sqrt{\frac{2}{9}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{9}} = \boxed{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}}$

f)  $\frac{3\sqrt{5} + 12}{6} = \frac{3\sqrt{5}}{6} + \frac{12}{6}$   
 $= \boxed{\frac{\sqrt{5}}{2} + 2}$

g)  $\frac{3\sqrt{18} - 27}{9} = \frac{9\sqrt{2} - 27}{9}$

$$= \frac{9\sqrt{2}}{9} - \frac{27}{9}$$

$$= \boxed{\sqrt{2} - 3}$$

h)  $\frac{2\sqrt{3} \cdot 5\sqrt{8}}{10\sqrt{6}}$

$$= \frac{10\sqrt{24}}{10\sqrt{6}} = \sqrt{4} = 2$$

$$h) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}} = \boxed{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}}$$

$$i) \sqrt{\frac{28}{3}} = \frac{\sqrt{28}}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{2\sqrt{7}}{\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} = \boxed{\frac{2\sqrt{21}}{3}}$$

Huk: Worksheet

## Ch. 4.1 - Solving Quadratics ( $a=1$ ) by Factoring

When you multiply two binomials (using FOIL), the result may be generalized as follows:

$$(x + m)(x + n) = \begin{array}{l} x^2 + mx + nx + mn \\ = \underbrace{x^2 + (m+n)x + mn} \end{array}$$

This shows that:

- i The product of two binomials is a TRINOMIAL.
- ii The first term,  $x^2$ , is a product of  $x + x$ .
- iii The middle term's coefficient is the sum of  $m + n$ .
- iv The last term is a product of  $m \cdot n$ .

Generalized trinomial  $\Rightarrow \underline{ax^2 + bx + c}$ , but

when  $a=1$ ,  $\underline{x^2 + bx + c}$

(always arrange in descending order of powers)

FOUR TYPES:

$$\textcircled{1} \quad x^2 + bx + c = \underline{(x + \_)(x + \_)}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad x^2 - bx + c = \underline{(x - \_)(x - \_)}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad x^2 + bx - c = \underline{(x + \_)(x - \_)} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{bigger number} \\ + \end{matrix}$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad x^2 - bx - c = \underline{(x + \_)(x - \_)} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{smaller number} \\ + \end{matrix}$$

e.g.: Factor the following:

a)  $x^2 + 7x + 12$

$$\begin{array}{r} x \\ \hline 12 \\ \underline{-} \\ 4, 3 \end{array}$$
$$\begin{array}{r} x \\ \hline 7 \\ \underline{-} \\ -6 \end{array}$$
$$= (x+4)(x+3)$$

b)  $x^2 - 7x + 6$

$$\begin{array}{r} x \\ \hline 6 \\ \underline{-} \\ -6 \end{array}$$
$$\begin{array}{r} x \\ \hline 7 \\ \underline{-} \\ -1 \end{array}$$
$$= (x-6)(x-1)$$

c)  $x^2 + 3x - 10$

$$\begin{array}{r} x \\ \hline -10 \\ \underline{-} \\ -2, 5 \end{array}$$
$$\begin{array}{r} x \\ \hline 3 \\ \underline{-} \\ -3 \end{array}$$
$$= (x-2)(x+5)$$

d)  $x^2 - 2x - 8$

$$\begin{array}{r} x \\ \hline -8 \\ \underline{-} \\ -4 \end{array}$$
$$\begin{array}{r} x \\ \hline 2 \\ \underline{-} \\ -2 \end{array}$$
$$= (x-4)(x+2)$$

e)  $x^2 + 8 - 6x$

$$\begin{array}{r} x \\ \hline 8 \\ \underline{-} \\ -4, -2 \end{array}$$
$$= x^2 - 6x + 8$$
$$= (x-4)(x-2)$$

f)  $x^2 - 2x + 4$

$$\begin{array}{r} x \\ \hline 4 \\ \underline{-} \\ -2 \end{array}$$
$$\text{UNFACTORABLE}$$

g)  $x^2 + 4xy - 21y^2$

$$\begin{array}{r} x \\ \hline -21 \\ \underline{-} \\ 7, -3 \end{array}$$
$$\begin{array}{r} x \\ \hline 4 \\ \underline{-} \\ -4 \end{array}$$
$$= (x+7y)(x-3y)$$

h)  $5x^2 + 35x + 60$

$$= 5(x^2 + 7x + 12)$$
$$\begin{array}{r} x \\ \hline 12 \\ \underline{-} \\ 4, 3 \end{array}$$
$$\begin{array}{r} x \\ \hline 7 \\ \underline{-} \\ -7 \end{array}$$
$$= 5(x+4)(x+3)$$

i)  $-x^2 + 5x + 6$

$$= -1(x^2 - 5x - 6)$$
$$\begin{array}{r} x \\ \hline -6 \\ \underline{-} \\ -6, 1 \end{array}$$
$$\begin{array}{r} x \\ \hline 5 \\ \underline{-} \\ -5 \end{array}$$
$$= -1(x-6)(x+1)$$

j)  $-3x^4 - 18x^3 - 27x^2$

$$= -3x^2(x^2 + 6x + 9)$$
$$\begin{array}{r} x \\ \hline 9 \\ \underline{-} \\ 6 \end{array}$$
$$\begin{array}{r} x \\ \hline 6 \\ \underline{-} \\ -6 \end{array}$$
$$= -3x^2(x+3)(x+3)$$
$$= -3x^2(x+3)^2$$

# Factoring Difference of Squares ( $a^2x^2 - b^2y^2$ ); $a \neq 0$ , $b \neq 0$ )

Rule:  $a^2 - b^2 = (a+b)(a-b)$

eg2: Factor the following

a)  $x^2 - 16$

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

b)  $x^4 - 4y^2$

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

c)  $x^4 - 16$

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

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

d)  $16x^2 - 4$

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

e)  $(x^2 - 6x + 9)^{typo} - y^2$

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

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

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

f)  $(16x^2 + 24xy + 9y^2) - (4a^2 - 4ab + b^2)$

$$= (4x+3y)(4x+3y) - (2a+b)(2a+b)$$

$$= (4x+3y)^2 - (2a+b)^2$$

$$= ((4x+3y)+(2a+b))((4x+3y)-(2a+b))$$

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(omit ~~9~~ 13ef, 14 c-f)

## Ch. 4.2 - Factoring trinomials where $a \neq 1$ $(ax^2 + bx + c)$

... and ... where 'a' cannot be factored out!

\* if you'd like, read the book's methods on  
p. 169 and p. 171  $\Rightarrow$  perfectly acceptable methods.

Best method? Factoring by DECOMPOSITION.  
 $\hookrightarrow$  not in book.

- Steps:
- ① Find two numbers that multiply to give (ac) and add to give b.
  - ② Rewrite "middle term" (bx) as a sum of the two numbers (ie. make the trinomial a 'tetranomial').
  - ③ Factor in groups of two.
  - ④ Factor out the common binomial.

Ex: Factor  $2x^2 + 7x - 4$

$$\begin{array}{r} x \quad + \\ -8 \quad 7 \\ \hline 8, -1 \end{array}$$
$$= (2x^2 + 8x) (-1x - 4)$$
$$= 2x(x+4) - 1(x+4)$$
$$\boxed{= (x+4)(2x-1)}$$

Eg 2: Factor  $12x^2 - 5x - 2$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \frac{x}{-24} \\
 + \\
 \hline
 -5
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 -8, 3
 \end{array}$$

$$= 12x^2 - 8x + 3x - 2$$

$$= 4x(3x-2) + 1(3x-2)$$

$$\boxed{= (3x-2)(4x+1)}$$

Eg 3: Factor  $-10x^3 + 2x^2 + 12x$

\*  $\stackrel{?}{\equiv}$ : factor to create QUADRATIC expression

$$= -2x \underbrace{(5x^2 - 1x - 6)}_{\text{FACTOR this by decomposition}}$$

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

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

$$\boxed{= -2x(x+1)(5x-6)}$$

Def'n : A trinomial that is a square of a binomial is called a PERFECT SQUARE TRINOMIAL.

For  $ax^2 + bx + c$  to be a perfect sq. trinomial:

- i)  $c$  must be positive, and a perfect square
- ii)  $a$  must be a perfect square
- iii)  $b$  is the sq.rt. of  $ax^2$  multiplied by the sq.rt. of  $c$ , then doubled. (Could be  $\oplus$  or  $\ominus$ ).

eg 4: Factor:

a)  $x^2 + 8x + 16$

$$= (x+4)(x+4)$$

$$\boxed{= (x+4)^2}$$

b)  $4x^2 - 12x + 9$

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

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

or just use DECOMP.

c)  $(x-2y)^2 - 2(x-2y) + 1$

$$= ((x-2y)-1)((x-2y)-1)$$

$$\boxed{= ((x-2y)-1)^2}$$

q5 Find all integers  $k$  such that each trinomial is a perfect square:

a)  $x^2 + 6x + k$

$$3+3=6$$

$$3 \times 3 = \boxed{k = 9}$$

b)  $9x^2 - kx + 4$

$$\begin{array}{l} \sqrt{9} = 3 \\ \sqrt{4} = 2 \end{array} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} 3 \times 2 = 6 \\ \text{OR} \\ -6 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} k = 6+6 \\ \boxed{= 12} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} k = -6+(-6) \\ \boxed{= -12} \end{array}$$

c)  $kx^2 + 12x + 9$

$$\sqrt{9} = 3$$

$$3 \times ? = 6$$

$$\frac{12}{2} = 6$$

$$? = 2$$

$$\sqrt{k} = 2$$

$$\boxed{k = 4}$$

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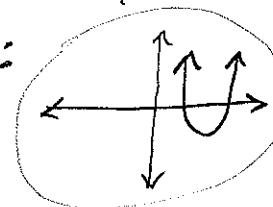
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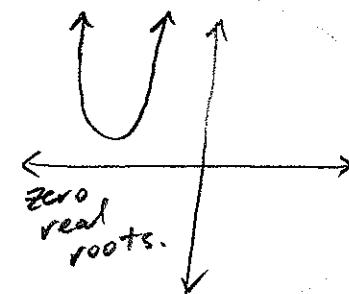
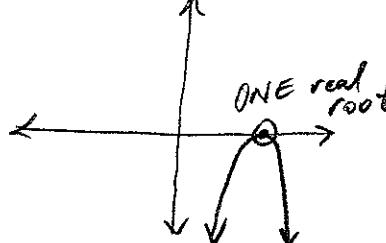
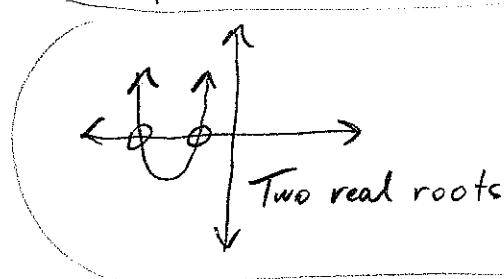
## Ch. 6.1 - Solving Quadratic Equations by Factoring

When graphed, a quadratic function ( $y = ax^2 + bx + c$ ) results in a PARABOLA:



$$f(x) =$$

When  $y=0$ , solving for  $x$  gives the  $x$ -intercepts (real zeros) of the function and there are three general possibilities:



A quadratic equation is written in the form

$$\boxed{ax^2 + bx + c \neq 0 \text{ where } a, b, c \in \mathbb{R} \quad a \neq 0.}$$

GENERAL FORM

Again, solving for  $x$  finds the  $x$ -intercepts (real roots) (real zeros) of  $y = ax^2 + bx + c$

### Zero Factor Property

The equation  $mn = 0$  is true if either  $m = 0$  or  $n = 0$ .

gl: Solve by factoring:

$$\begin{array}{r} x \\ \hline -6 & -1 \\ -3, 2 \end{array} \quad x^2 - x - 6 = 0$$

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

so... for this to be true, either  $(x-3) = 0$  and/or  $(x+2) = 0$

$$x = 3$$

$$x = -2$$

HINT: when  $x$ 's coefficient is  $1$ , read constant of binomial as opposite

eg2: Solve by factoring:

$$2x^2 - 9x + 10 = 0 \quad \begin{array}{c} x \\ \hline 20 & + \\ & -9 \end{array}$$

$$2x^2 - 4x - 5x + 10 = 0 \quad -5, -4$$

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

$$(x-2)(2x-5) = 0 \quad \text{When } ax^2 + bx + c = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \swarrow \\ x-2=0 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \searrow \\ 2x-5=0 \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{x=2} \quad \text{Check} \quad \boxed{\begin{array}{l} 2x=5 \\ x=\frac{5}{2} \end{array}}$$

eg3: Solve by factoring  $3x^2 + 15x = 0$  (ie: when  $c=0$ )

$$3x(x+5) = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \swarrow \\ 3x=0 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \searrow \\ \boxed{x=-5} \end{array}$$

so... when  $c=0$ , one solution will be  $\boxed{x=0}$

eg4: Solve by factoring

$$3x^2 - 7x = 20$$

$$3x^2 - 7x - 20 = 0 \quad \begin{array}{c} x \\ \hline -60 & + \\ & -7 \end{array}$$

$$3x^2 - 12x + 5x - 20 = 0 \quad -12, 5$$

$$3x(x-4) + 5(x-4) = 0$$

$$(x-4)(3x+5) = 0$$

$$\boxed{x=4, -\frac{5}{3}}$$

eg 5. Solve by factoring:

$$\frac{x}{x-5} - \frac{3}{x+1} = \frac{30}{x^2-4x-5}$$

\* find common denominator!

$$(x-5)(x+1) = x^2-4x-5$$

$$\frac{x(x-5)(x+1)}{(x-5)} - \frac{(3)(x-5)(x+1)}{(x+1)} = \frac{30(x-5)(x+1)}{(x-5)(x+1)}$$

$$x(x+1) - 3(x-5) = 30$$

$$x^2 + x - 3x + 15 = 30$$

$$x^2 - 2x - 15 = 0$$

$$(x-5)(x+3) = 0$$

$$x = 5, -3$$

eg 6. For each of the following, write a quadratic equation given the real roots:

a) 2, -5

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

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

b) 0, 6

$$x(x-6) = 0$$

$$x^2 - 6x = 0$$

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

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

$$6x^2 - x - 2 = 0$$

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(word probs. <sup>(10-15)</sup> now, if you want, or later...)

## Ch. 6.2 - The Square Root Principle and Completing the Square

Square Root Principle - may be used when

$b=0$  in  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ . (becomes  $ax^2 + c = 0$ )

- Possibilities:
- If  $\frac{-c}{a} > 0$ , there will be two solutions.
  - If  $\frac{-c}{a} = 0$ , there will be one solution ( $x=0$ ).
  - If  $\frac{-c}{a} < 0$ , there will be no real roots.

e.g. 1: Solve the following using the sq. root principle:

a)  $x^2 - 4 = 0$

$$\sqrt{x^2} = \sqrt{4}$$

$$x = \pm \sqrt{4}$$

$$x = \pm 2$$

b)  $x^2 + 9 = 0$

$$\sqrt{x^2} = \sqrt{9}$$

c)  $\sqrt{(x-2)^2} = \sqrt{16}$  no solution!

$$x-2 = \pm \sqrt{16}$$
$$x = 6, -2$$

e.g. 2: Solve using the sq. root principle:

a)  $3x^2 - 8 = 0$

$$3x^2 = 8$$

$$\sqrt{x^2} = \sqrt{\frac{8}{3}}$$

$$x = \pm \sqrt{\frac{8}{3}}$$

$$x = \pm \frac{2\sqrt{6}}{3}$$

\* haven't learned  
factors yet

b)  $(x-1)^2 = 12$

$$\sqrt{(x-1)^2} = \sqrt{12}$$

$$x-1 = \pm \sqrt{12}$$

$$x = \pm \sqrt{12} + 1$$

$$x = \pm 2\sqrt{3} + 1$$

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## Instructions for Completing the Square in order to solve Quadratic Equations

Typical Quadratic Equation:  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ ;  $a \neq 0$

### Type I – When $a = 1$

1. Write equation in  $x^2 + bx + c = 0$  form (in order of descending powers);
2. Move 'c' to the 'other' side (if 'c' is zero, don't do anything);
3. Calculate half of 'b' and write the number in a box;
4. Square the number in the box and write it in a circle beside the box;
5. Add the number in the circle to BOTH sides of the equation;
6. Complete the square! (ie. Turn the trinomial into a square of a binomial) –  
HINT: the binomial will *always* be  $x$  and the number in the box, all squared!
7. Use the square root principle to solve the equation.

### Type II – When $a \neq 1$

1. Write equation in  $a x^2 + bx + c = 0$  form (in order of descending powers);
2. Move 'c' to the 'other' side (if 'c' is zero, don't do anything);
3. Factor 'a' out of  $a x^2$  and  $bx$  (could create fractions – that's OK!) – this will create a "new" 'b' value;
4. Calculate half of the "new" 'b' value and write the number in a box;
5. Square the number in the box and write it in a circle beside the box;
6. A. Add the number in the circle in brackets on the variable side of the equation;  
B. Multiply the number you added in brackets by the 'a' value that you factored out and add the product to the 'other' (non-variable) side.
7. Complete the square! (ie. Turn the trinomial in to a square of a binomial) –  
HINT: the binomial will *always* be  $x$  and the number in the box, all squared!
8. Use the square root principle to solve the equation.

## Completing the Square

- can be utilized if quadratic cannot be factored.
- see Instruction sheet.

eg1: Solve by Completing the Square

$$x^2 - 6x - 27 = 0 \quad \boxed{-3} \quad (9)$$

$$x^2 - 6x = 27$$

$$x^2 - 6x + 9 = 27 + 9$$

$$\sqrt{(x-3)^2} = \sqrt{36}$$

$$x-3 = \pm 6$$

$$\boxed{x = 9, -3}$$

eg2:  $x^2 + 8x + 11 = 0$

$$x^2 + 8x = -11 \quad \boxed{+4} \quad (16)$$

$$x^2 + 8x + 16 = -11 + 16$$

$$\sqrt{(x+4)^2} = \sqrt{5}$$

$$x+4 = \pm \sqrt{5}$$

$$\boxed{x = \pm \sqrt{5} - 4}$$

eg3: Solve  $-x^2 + 8x - 17 = 0$

$$x^2 - 8x + 17 = 0$$

$$x^2 - 8x = -17 \quad \boxed{-4} \text{ } \textcircled{6}$$

$$x^2 - 8x + 16 = -17 + 16$$

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

no solution!

eg4: Solve  $3x^2 + 18x - 24 = 0$

$$x^2 + 6x - 8 = 0$$

$$x^2 + 6x = 8 \quad \boxed{+3} \text{ } \textcircled{9}$$

$$x^2 + 6x + 9 = 8 + 9$$

$$\sqrt{(x+3)^2} = \sqrt{17}$$

$$x+3 = \pm \sqrt{17}$$

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

eg5: Solve  $5x^2 + 10x - 4 = 0$

$$5x^2 + 10x = 4 \quad \boxed{+1} \text{ } \textcircled{1}$$

$$5(x^2 + 2x) = 4$$

$$5(x^2 + 2x + 1) = 4 + 5$$

$$5(x+1)^2 = 9$$

$$\sqrt{(x+1)^2} = \sqrt{\frac{9}{5}}$$

$$x+1 = \pm \frac{3}{\sqrt{5}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{5}}$$

$$x = \pm \frac{3\sqrt{5}}{5} - 1 \quad \boxed{= \frac{\pm 3\sqrt{5} - 5}{5}}$$

To halve a fraction:  
\*double the denom.  
& reduce

eg6: Solve  $2x^2 - 5x - 1 = 0$

$$2x^2 - 5x = 1$$

$$\boxed{-\frac{5}{4}} \quad \textcircled{\frac{25}{16}}$$

$$2(x^2 - \frac{5}{2}x) = 1$$

$$2(x^2 - \frac{5}{2}x + \frac{25}{16}) = 1 + \frac{50}{16}$$

$$2(x - \frac{5}{4})^2 = \frac{66}{16}$$

$$(x - \frac{5}{4})^2 = \frac{66}{32}$$

$$\sqrt{(x - \frac{5}{4})^2} = \sqrt{\frac{33}{16}}$$

$$x - \frac{5}{4} = \pm \frac{\sqrt{33}}{4}$$

$$x = \pm \frac{\sqrt{33} + 5}{4}$$

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## Ch. 6.3 - The Quadratic Formula

- the QUADRATIC FORMULA can be used to find the real roots of quadratic equations.

If  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ , then  $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$

derived by COMPLETING  
THE SQUARE of  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$

Three possible scenarios:

- all three rely on the value of the DISCRIMINANT ( $b^2 - 4ac$ ) (RADICAND):

- If  $b^2 - 4ac > 0$ , then two real roots.
- If  $b^2 - 4ac = 0$ , then one real root.
- If  $b^2 - 4ac < 0$ , then no real roots.

e.g.: Solve  $3x^2 + 5x - 2 = 0$  using the Q.F.

$$a = 3 \quad b = 5 \quad c = -2$$

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

$$x = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{(5)^2 - 4(3)(-2)}}{2(3)}$$

$$x = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{49}}{6}$$

$$x = \frac{-5 \pm 7}{6}$$

$$x = \frac{1}{3}, -2$$

Check!

eg2: Solve  $3x^2 + 2x - 4 = 0$  using the Q.F.

$$a = 3 \quad b = 2 \quad c = -4$$

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

$$x = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{(2)^2 - 4(3)(-4)}}{2(3)}$$

$$x = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{52}}{6}$$

$$x = \frac{-2 \pm 2\sqrt{13}}{6} = \frac{-2}{6} \pm \frac{2\sqrt{13}}{6} = \boxed{\frac{-1}{3} \pm \frac{\sqrt{13}}{3}}$$

Check w/ decimals

eg3: Solve  $9x^2 - 12x + 4 = 0$  using the Q.F.

$$a = 9 \quad b = -12 \quad c = 4$$

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

$$x = \frac{-(-12) \pm \sqrt{(-12)^2 - 4(9)(4)}}{2(9)}$$

$$x = \frac{12 \pm \sqrt{0}}{18} = \frac{12}{18} = \boxed{\frac{2}{3}}$$

eg4: Solve  $2x^2 - 3x + 4 = 0$  using the Q.F.

$$a = 2, \quad b = -3, \quad c = 4$$

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

$$x = \frac{-(-3) \pm \sqrt{(-3)^2 - 4(2)(4)}}{2(2)}$$

$$x = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{-23}}{4}$$

**no solution!**

eg5: Solve using the Q.F.

$$\frac{2}{x-3} + \frac{3}{x+2} = 1 \quad \text{FIND common denominator.}$$
$$(x-3)(x+2)$$

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

$$2x+4 + 3x-9 = x^2 - x - 6$$

$$0 = x^2 - 6x - 1$$

$$a = 1 \quad b = -6 \quad c = -1$$

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

$$x = \frac{-(-6) \pm \sqrt{(-6)^2 - 4(1)(-1)}}{2(1)}$$

$$x = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{40}}{2} = \frac{6 \pm 2\sqrt{10}}{2} = \boxed{3 \pm \sqrt{10}}$$

\* derive Q.F.?

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(try #7 see eg5 p. 279)

### Chapter 6.5 Word Problem Examples

Eg1: The sum of a number and twice its reciprocal is  $\frac{9}{2}$ . Find the number.

Let  $x$  = the number  
then  $\frac{1}{x}$  = its reciprocal

$$x + 2\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = \frac{9}{2} \rightarrow (x-4)(2x+1) = 0$$

$$x\left(x + \frac{2}{x}\right) = \left(\frac{9}{2}\right)x$$

$$2(x^2 + 2) = \left(\frac{9}{2}x\right)^2$$

$$2x^2 - 9x + 4 = 0$$

$$(2x^2 - 8x)(-1x + 4) = 0$$

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

$x = 4, \frac{1}{2}$

Eg2: A patrol boat took 2.5 hours for a round trip 12 km up-river and 12 km back down-river. The speed of the current was 2 km/h. What was the speed of the boat in still water?

Let  $x$  = speed of boat in still water

$$d = st \Rightarrow t = \frac{d}{s}$$

$$2.5 = \frac{\text{downriver}}{x+2} + \frac{\text{upriver}}{x-2}$$

$$2.5(x+2)(x-2) = 12(x-2) + 12(x+2)$$

$$2.5x^2 - 10 = 24x$$

$$5x^2 - 48x - 20 = 0$$

$$5x^2 - 50x + 2x - 20 = 0$$

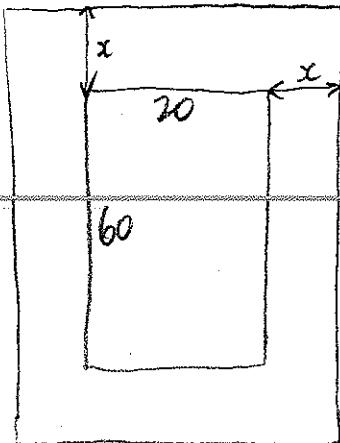
$$5x(x-10) + 2(x-10) = 0$$

$$(x-10)(5x+2) = 0$$

$$x = 10,$$

$$10 \text{ km/h}$$

Eg3: A 20 cm by 60 cm painting has a frame surrounding it. If the frame is the same width all around, and the total area of the frame is  $516 \text{ cm}^2$ , then how wide is the frame?



let  $x = \text{width of frame}$

$$\text{Area(frame)} = A(\text{big rect.}) - A(\text{painting})$$

$$516 = (60+2x)(20+2x) - (20)(60)$$

$$516 = 1200 + 160x + 4x^2 - 1200$$

$$0 = 4x^2 + 160x - 516$$

$$0 = x^2 + 40x - 129$$

$$0 = (x+43)(x-3)$$

$$x = -43 \quad \boxed{3}$$

Eg4: Sally biked from Mount Douglas to Stelly's, a distance of 25 km, on two consecutive days. On day 1, she rode 3 km/h faster so her ride took 20 minutes less. Calculate her speed on both days and round to the nearest tenth.

let  $x = \text{speed on day 2 (slower speed)}$   
then  $x+3 = \text{speed on day 1 (faster speed)}$

$$20 \text{ mins} = \frac{1}{3} \text{ hr.}$$

$$t = \frac{d}{s} \quad \frac{1}{3} = \frac{\text{longer time}}{\text{(day 2)}} - \frac{\text{shorter time}}{\text{(day 1)}}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} = \frac{25}{x} - \frac{25}{x+3}$$

$$\frac{1}{3}(x)(x+3) = 25(x+3) - 25x$$

$$\frac{1}{3}x^2 + x = 75$$

$$x^2 + 3x - 225 = 0$$

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

Homework:

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$$x = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{3^2 - 4(1)(-225)}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{-3 \pm 30.15}{2} = \boxed{13.6 \text{ km/h}}$$

$$x+3 = \boxed{16.6 \text{ km/h}}$$

## Chapter Review

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# 1-4: omit 2ed / 4b

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# 1-6, 8, 10-11 (omit 11)  
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