

Polynomial

An expression of the type $P_n(x) = a_0x^n + a_1x^{n-1} + \dots + a_n$ is called a polynomial of degree 'n', where all powers of x are non-negative integers and a_0 which is called leading coefficient of the polynomial should not be equal to zero.

$n = 1$, $P(x) = a_0x + a_1$, linear polynomial.

$n = 2$, $P(x) = a_0x^2 + a_1x + a_2$, quadratic polynomial.

$n = 3$, $P(x) = a_0x^3 + a_1x^2 + a_2x + a_3$, cubic polynomial.

$n = 4$, $P(x) = a_0x^4 + a_1x^3 + a_2x^2 + a_3x + a_4$, bi-quadratic poly.

$P_n(\alpha)$ means value of the polynomial $P_n(x)$ at $x = \alpha$.

If $P_n(\alpha) = 0$, then α is called as zero of the polynomial.

Remainder Theorem

$\frac{P(x)}{x-k} = Q(x) + \frac{R}{x-k}$ where $Q(x)$ is quotient & R is remainder.

$\Rightarrow P(x) = Q(x)(x-k) + R$ at $x = k$, $P(k) = R$

Factor Theorem

Let $P(x) = (x-k)Q(x) + R$

when $P(k) = 0$, $P(x) = (x-k)Q(x)$.

Therefore, $P(x)$ is exactly divisible by $x-k$.

Quadratic Expression and Quadratic Equation

$y = ax^2 + bx + c \rightarrow$ Quadratic Expression

where a = leading coefficient & c = absolute term of quadratic polynomial.

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

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Quadratic Equation

Solving a quadratic equation means finding the values of x for which $ax^2 + bx + c$ vanishes and these values of x are also called the roots of quadratic equation.

Solution of quadratic equation

roots of $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$; $a \neq 0$; $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$.

Hence $\alpha = \frac{-b + \sqrt{D}}{2a}$ and $\beta = \frac{-b - \sqrt{D}}{2a}$

where $D = b^2 - 4ac$

Relation between roots and coefficient

$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$; $a \neq 0$; $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$

If α, β are the roots then $\alpha + \beta$

$= -\frac{b}{a}$; $\alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a}$ and $|\alpha - \beta| = \frac{\sqrt{D}}{a}$

Formation of a quadratic equation when roots are given

Let α and β be the given roots of a quadratic equation, then

$(x - \alpha)(x - \beta) = 0 \Rightarrow x^2 - x(\alpha + \beta) + \alpha\beta = 0$

$x^2 - x(\text{sum of the roots}) + \text{Product of the roots} = 0$

Nature of Roots

Consider the quadratic equation

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

where $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ and $a \neq 0$.

Roots of the equation are given by

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

(i) If $D > 0 \Rightarrow$ roots are real and distinct.

(ii) If $D = 0 \Rightarrow$ roots are equal.

(iii) If $D < 0 \Rightarrow$ roots are imaginary.

Important Note

(1) If co-efficients of the quadratic equation are rational then its irrational roots always occur in pair. If $p + \sqrt{q}$ is one of the roots then other root will be $p - \sqrt{q}$.

(2) If co-efficients of the quadratic equation are real then its imaginary roots always occur in complex conjugate pair. If $p + iq$ is one of the roots then other root will be $p - iq$.

Identity

Let $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ be a equation. Now, if this equation has more than two distinct roots then it becomes an identity and in this case $a = b = c = 0$.

Symmetric Expressions

The symmetric expressions of the roots α, β of an equation are those expressions in α and β , which do not change by interchanging α and β .

- (i) $\alpha^2 + \beta^2$ (ii) $\alpha^2 + \alpha\beta + \beta^2$ (iii) $\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta}$
 (iv) $\frac{\alpha}{\beta} + \frac{\beta}{\alpha}$ (v) $\alpha^2\beta + \beta^2\alpha$ (vi) $\left(\frac{\alpha}{\beta}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\beta}{\alpha}\right)^2$
 (vii) $\alpha^3 + \beta^3$ (viii) $\alpha^4 + \beta^4$

Formation of Quadratic Equation Whose Roots are Symmetric Expression of α and β

If α, β are roots of the equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ then the equation whose roots are

- (i) $-\alpha, -\beta \Rightarrow (\text{Replace } x \text{ by } -x)$
 (ii) $\frac{1}{\alpha}, \frac{1}{\beta} \Rightarrow \left(\text{Replace } x \text{ by } \frac{1}{x}\right)$
 (iii) $\alpha^n, \beta^n, n \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow (\text{Replace } x \text{ by } x^n)$
 (iv) $k\alpha, k\beta \Rightarrow \left(\text{Replace } x \text{ by } \frac{x}{k}\right)$
 (v) $k + \alpha, k + \beta \Rightarrow (\text{Replace } x \text{ by } (x - k))$
 (vi) $\frac{\alpha}{k}, \frac{\beta}{k} \Rightarrow (\text{Replace } x \text{ by } kx)$
 (vii) $\frac{1}{\alpha^n}, \frac{1}{\beta^n}, n \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow (\text{Replace } x \text{ by } x^n)$

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Quadratic Equation

Condition of common roots

Let $a_1x^2 + b_1x + c_1 = 0$ and $a_2x^2 + b_2x + c_2 = 0$ have a **common root** α .

Hence $a_1\alpha^2 + b_1\alpha + c_1 = 0$
 $a_2\alpha^2 + b_2\alpha + c_2 = 0$ Then

$$\therefore \alpha = \frac{b_1c_2 - b_2c_1}{a_2c_1 - a_1c_2} = \frac{a_2c_1 - a_1c_2}{a_1b_2 - a_2b_1}$$

Condition for both the common roots

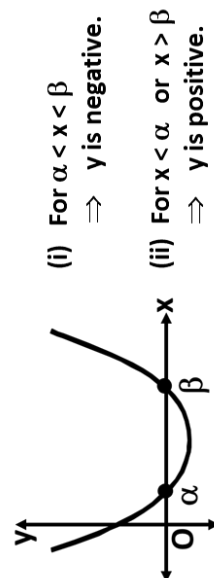
If both roots of the given equations are common

$$\text{then } \frac{a_1}{a_2} = \frac{b_1}{b_2} = \frac{c_1}{c_2}.$$

Quadratic expression and its graph

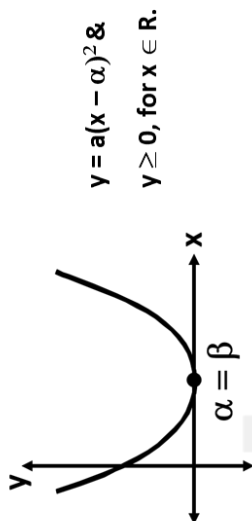
Case-I : If $a > 0$ and $D > 0$

Then quadratic equation has two roots and graph cuts the x-axis at two distinct points.

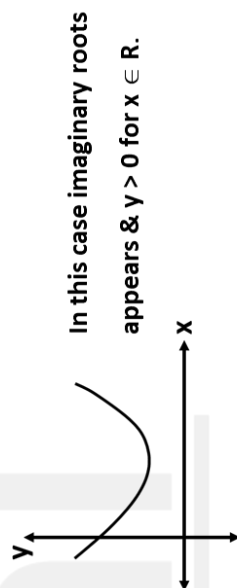


Case-II : If $a > 0$ and $D = 0$

Both zeroes of polynomial coincides, Hence the curve touches x-axis.

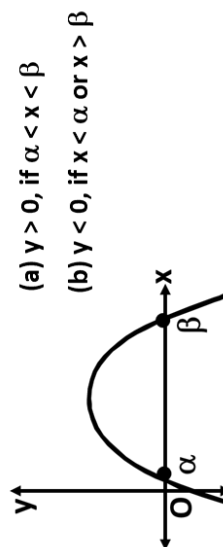


Case-III : If $a > 0$ and $D < 0$



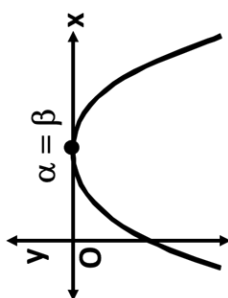
Case-IV : If $a < 0$ and $D > 0$

The graph is downward and cuts the x-axis at two distinct points.

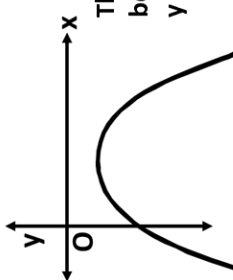


Quadratic expression and its graph

Case-V : If $a < 0$ and $D = 0$



Case-VI : If $a < 0$ and $D < 0$



Important Note

- (1) The quadratic expression $ax^2 + bx + c$, where $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ is positive $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$, if $a > 0$ and $D < 0$ (Case-III).
- (2) The quadratic expression $ax^2 + bx + c$, where $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ is negative $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$, if $a < 0$ and $D < 0$ (Case-VI).

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Quadratic Equation

Location of Roots

TYPE-I :

Both roots of the quadratic equation are greater than a specified number say (d) .

The necessary and sufficient condition for this are:

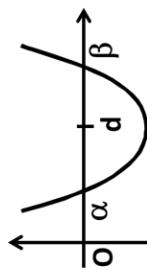
$$(i) D \geq 0 ; (ii) a.f(d) > 0 ; (iii) -\frac{b}{2a} > d$$



TYPE-II :

Both roots lie on either side of a fixed number say (d) . Alternatively one root is greater than d and other less than d or d lies between the roots of the given equation.

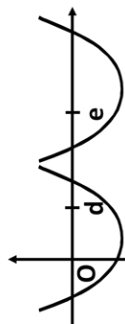
$$a.f(d) < 0$$



TYPE-III :

Exactly one root lies in the interval (d, e) when $d < e$. Conditions for this are :

$$f(d) \cdot f(e) < 0$$



An another case arises when $f(d) \cdot f(e) = 0$, then

For $f(d) = 0$

One root is d

check if

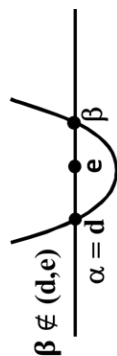
other root

lies between

d and e or

not.

Similarly for $f(e) = 0$.

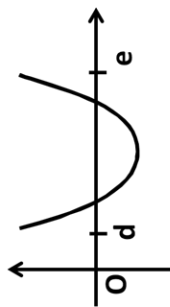


TYPE-IV :

When both roots are confined between the number d and e ($d < e$). Conditions for this are

$$(i) D \geq 0 ; (ii) a.f(d) > 0 ; (iii) a.f(e) > 0$$

$$(iv) d < -\frac{b}{2a} < e$$

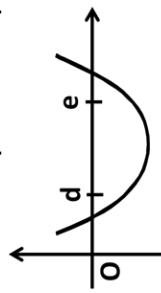


TYPE-V :

One root is greater than e and the other root is less than d . Conditions are (where $d < e$)

$$(i) a.f(d) < 0$$

$$(ii) a.f(e) < 0$$



Theory of equations

Relation between roots and coefficients of polynomial equation

For Quadratic Equation

If α and β are roots of a quad. eq. $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ then

$$\alpha + \beta = -\frac{b}{a} \text{ and } \alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a}$$

For Cubic Equation

If α, β and γ are roots of a cubic eq. $ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d = 0$ then

$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma = -\frac{b}{a}; \quad \alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \gamma\alpha = \frac{c}{a} \text{ \& } \alpha\beta\gamma = -\frac{d}{a}$$

For Bi-quadratic Equation

If α, β, γ and δ are roots of a bi-quadratic equation $ax^4 + bx^3 + cx^2 + dx + e = 0$ then

$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma + \delta = -\frac{b}{a}$$

$$\alpha\beta + \alpha\gamma + \alpha\delta + \beta\gamma + \beta\delta + \gamma\delta = \frac{c}{a}$$

$$\alpha\beta\gamma + \beta\gamma\delta + \gamma\delta\alpha + \delta\alpha\beta = -\frac{d}{a}$$

$$\text{\& } \alpha\beta\gamma\delta = \frac{e}{a}$$

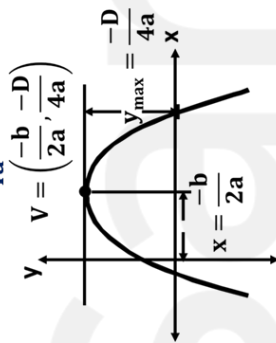
Note Polynomial equations of odd degree with real coefficient must have at least one real root as imaginary roots always occur in pair of conjugates.

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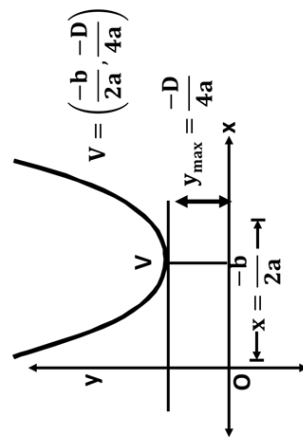
Quadratic Equation

Maximum and Minimum values of quadratic and rational functions

If $a < 0$, $y_{\max} = \frac{-D}{4a}$ & it occurs at $x = \frac{-b}{2a}$



If $a > 0$, $y_{\min} = \frac{-D}{4a}$ & it occurs at $x = \frac{-b}{2a}$



where $D = b^2 - 4ac$

Range of functions expressed in the form

of $\frac{P(x)}{Q(x)}$ where $P(x)$ and $Q(x)$ are either linear or quadratic polynomials.

$$\text{TYPE-I : } y = \frac{ax + b \text{ (Linear)}}{px + q \text{ (Linear)}}$$

$$\text{TYPE-II : } y = \frac{ax + b \text{ (linear)}}{px^2 + qx + r \text{ (quadratic)}}$$

$$\text{TYPE-III : } y = \frac{ax^2 + bx + c \text{ (Quadratic)}}{px^2 + qx + r \text{ (Quadratic)}}$$

$$\text{TYPE-IV : } y = \frac{ax^2 + bx + c \text{ (Quadratic)}}{px^2 + qx + r \text{ (Quadratic)}}$$

$$\text{TYPE-V : } y = \frac{ax^2 + px + c}{px^2 + qx + r}$$

Resolving a general quadratic exp. in x and y into two linear factors

$$f(x, y) = ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c$$

Now $f(x, y)$ can be writing as product of two linear factors only when

$$abc + 2fgh - af^2 - bg^2 - ch^2 = 0$$