

7.7 Notes

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Section 7.7 – Solving Quadratic Equations Using the Quadratic Formula

- o Solving Using the Quadratic Formula
 - You can use the quadratic formula to solve any equation.
 - $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$
 - To do this, set your equation equal to zero, then sub into the equation.
 - Inadmissible solution
 - A root of a quadratic equation that doesn't actually lead to a solution that works in the original equation.
 - Always sub into your original equation to find this buggers.
 - If $b^2 - 4ac$ is negative, you won't actually get an answer.
 - If $b^2 - 4ac$ is a perfect square, you can factor it to get your answer.

7.7 Examples

1. Solve the following equation: $6x^2 - 3 = 7x$.

$$6x^2 - 7x - 3 = 0$$

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

$$x = \frac{-(-7) \pm \sqrt{(-7)^2 - 4(6)(-3)}}{2(6)}$$

$$x = \frac{7 \pm \sqrt{49 + 72}}{12}$$

$$x = \frac{7 \pm \sqrt{121}}{12}$$

$$x = \frac{7 \pm 11}{12}$$

$$x = \frac{7+11}{12} \quad x = \frac{7-11}{12}$$

$$x = \frac{18}{12} \quad x = \frac{-4}{12}$$

$$x = \frac{3}{2} \text{ or } 1.5 \quad x = -\frac{1}{3} \text{ or } -0.\bar{3}$$

2. A store rents an average of 750 video games each month for \$4.50 each. The owners of the store want to raise the rates to increase the revenue to \$7000 per month. However, for every \$1 they increase, they know they rent 30 less games per month. The following relates the price, p , and revenue, r .

$$(4.5 + p)(750 - 30p) = r$$

Can the owners increase the rental rate enough to generate revenue of \$7000?

$$(4.5 + p)(750 - 30p) = 7000$$

$$3375 + 750p - 185p - 30p^2 = 7000$$

$$-30p^2 + \frac{615}{-5}p - \frac{3625}{-5} = \frac{0}{-5}$$

$$6p^2 - 123p + 725 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-(-123) \pm \sqrt{(-123)^2 - 4(6)(725)}}{2(6)}$$

$$x = \frac{123 \pm \sqrt{-2271}}{12}$$

$\sqrt{-2271}$ is impossible \therefore no solution.
It is impossible to generate \$7000 of revenue.
 $p: 20 \uparrow \# 2-5, 7 \leftarrow (a, c)$ only

THIBEAULT → Remember to assign the table to students!