

1) What is the solution of  $x^2 + 4x > 0$ , where  $x$  is a real number?

$$x^2 + 4x > 0$$

$$y > 0$$

by using the graph

$$x > 0 \text{ and } x < -4$$



Roots

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

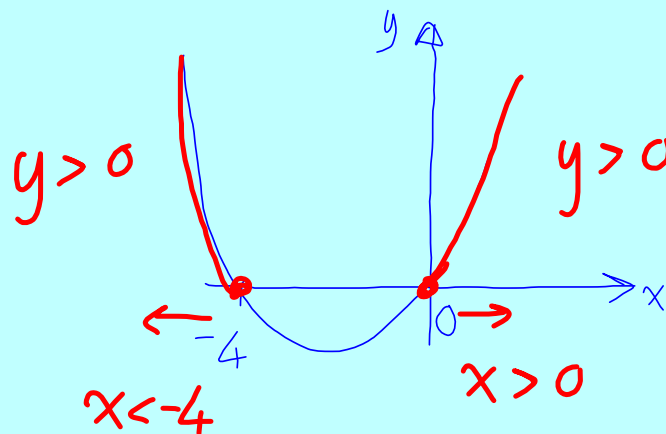
$$x(x+4) = 0$$

$$x = 0$$

$$x = -4$$



Graph



2) The discriminant of a quadratic equation is 23.

Here are two statements about this quadratic equation:

- (1) the roots are real; ✓  
(2) the roots are rational. ✗

Which of the following is true?

- A Neither statement is correct.  
B Only statement (1) is correct.  
C Only statement (2) is correct.  
D Both statements are correct.

$b^2 - 4ac = 23$  So roots are real since  $b^2 - 4ac \geq 0$   
Statement 1 is correct.

Since 23 is not a square number the roots are irrational, so statement 2 is not correct.

(think of the quadratic formula which includes the discriminant.  $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$ )

$$= \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{23}}{2a} \text{ SURD}$$

$\sqrt{23}$  is a surd which is irrational)

3)

If  $f(x) = (x-3)(x+5)$ , for what values of  $x$  is the graph of  $y = f(x)$  above the  $x$ -axis?

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

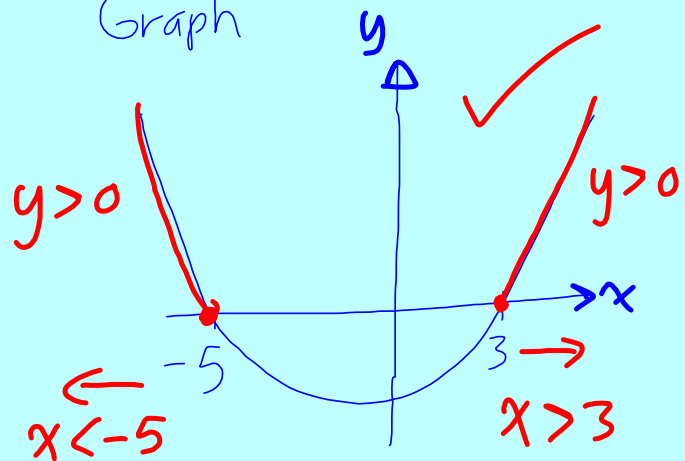
So  $(x-3)(x+5) > 0$ , since  $y > 0$  above the  $x$ -axis

Using the graph

Roots are  $x=3, x=-5$

$$x < -5 \text{ and } x > 3$$

Graph



4)

If  $2x^2 - 12x + 11$  is expressed in the form  $2(x - b)^2 + c$ , what is the value of  $c$ ?

$$\begin{aligned} & 2x^2 - 12x + 11 \\ &= 2(x^2 - 6x) + 11 \\ &= \checkmark 2(\checkmark x - \checkmark 3)^2 - \checkmark 7 \\ &\text{So } c = -7 \end{aligned}$$

5)

For what value of  $k$  does the equation  $x^2 - 3x + k = 0$  have equal roots?

$$b^2 - 4ac = 0 \quad \checkmark \quad a=1 \quad b=-3 \quad c=k$$

$$(-3)^2 - 4 \times 1 \times k = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$9 - 4k = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$4k = 9$$

$$k = \frac{9}{4} \quad \text{or} \quad 2\frac{1}{4} \quad \text{or} \quad 2.25 \quad \checkmark$$

6)

Prove that the roots of the equation  $2x^2 + px - 3 = 0$  are real for all values of  $p$ .

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You need to show that  $b^2 - 4ac \geq 0$   
regardless the value of  $p$  (all values of  $p$ )

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

$$b^2 - 4ac$$

$$= p^2 - 4 \times 2 \times (-3) \quad \checkmark$$

$$= p^2 + 24 \quad \checkmark$$

$p^2 + 24$  will always be  $> 0$  for any value  
of  $p$ , so the roots will be real for all values  
of  $p$ .  $\checkmark$

7)

(a) Show that the function  $f(x) = 2x^2 + 8x - 3$  can be written in the form  $f(x) = a(x+b)^2 + c$  where  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  are constants. (3)

(b) Hence, or otherwise, find the coordinates of the turning point of the function  $f$ . (1)

$$a) \quad 2x^2 + 8x - 3$$

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

$$= 2(x+2)^2 - 11$$

✓ ✓ ✓

b) Min T.P

at  $(-2, -11)$  ✓

8)

The roots of the equation  $(x-1)(x+k) = -4$  are equal.

Find the values of k.

(5)

$$\text{So } b^2 - 4ac = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$(x-1)(x+k) = -4$$

$$x^2 + kx - x - k = -4$$

$$| x^2 + kx - x + 4 - k = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

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

$$\text{So } a = 1 \quad b = k-1 \quad c = 4-k$$

$$b^2 - 4ac = 0$$

$$(k-1)^2 - 4 \times 1 \times (4-k) = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

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

$$k^2 - 2k + 1 - 16 + 4k = 0$$

$$k^2 + 2k - 15 = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

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

$$\underline{k = -5} \quad \text{or} \quad \underline{k = 3} \quad \checkmark$$



