

FROM STANDARD FORM TO FACTOR

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FORM (METHOD 2)

SF: $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$

How?

Ans: Find the zeros of $f(x)$

FF:
x-intercept
aka
zeros

$$f(x) = a(x-d)(x-e)$$

$$f(e) = 0$$

$$f(d) = a(d-d)(d-e) = 0$$

Ex: Express this in FF: $f(x) = (2-x)(x+3)$

Ans: $f(x) = \boxed{-(x-2)(x+3)}$

$$f(x) = 3(x-5)(x-7)$$

$$f(5) \stackrel{?}{=} 3(5-5)(5-7) =$$

$$= 3 \cdot 0 \cdot (-2) = 0$$

$$f(7) = 3(7-5)(7-7) = 0$$

FINDING ZEROS WHEN IN STANDARD FORM

GENERAL METHOD

$$f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$$

The zeros are given by the quadratic formula!

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

Example $f(x) = 2x^2 + 5x - 3$ Write it in FF

Ans: let's first find the zeros $f(x) = 0$

hence
the FF is

$$\begin{aligned} 2x^2 + 5x - 3 &= 0 \\ x &= \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{5^2 - 4 \cdot 2 \cdot (-3)}}{2 \cdot 2} = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{25 + 24}}{4} = \\ &= \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{49}}{4} = \frac{-5 \pm 7}{4} = \left[\begin{array}{l} + \frac{2}{4} = \frac{1}{2} \\ - \frac{12}{4} = -3 \end{array} \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= 2 \left(x - \frac{1}{2} \right) (x - (-3)) \\ &= 2 \left(x - \frac{1}{2} \right) (x + 3) \end{aligned}$$

(In class) Write in factor form $f(x) = 4x^2 - 19x + 12$

Ans: 1st) General form of Quadratic expression/function
 $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$

Hence, the FF is: $f(x) = 4(x - \frac{3}{4})(x - 4)$

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

3rd) General factor form $f(x) = a(x-d)(x-e)$

4) Find roots $f(x) = 0$: $4x^2 - 19x + 12 = 0 \rightarrow x = \frac{19 \pm \sqrt{19^2 - 4 \cdot 4 \cdot 12}}{2 \cdot 4}$

$x = \frac{19 \pm \sqrt{361 - 192}}{8} = \frac{19 \pm \sqrt{169}}{8} = \frac{19 \pm 13}{8} = \frac{2.4}{6} = \frac{3}{4}$

~~$x = \frac{3}{4}$~~