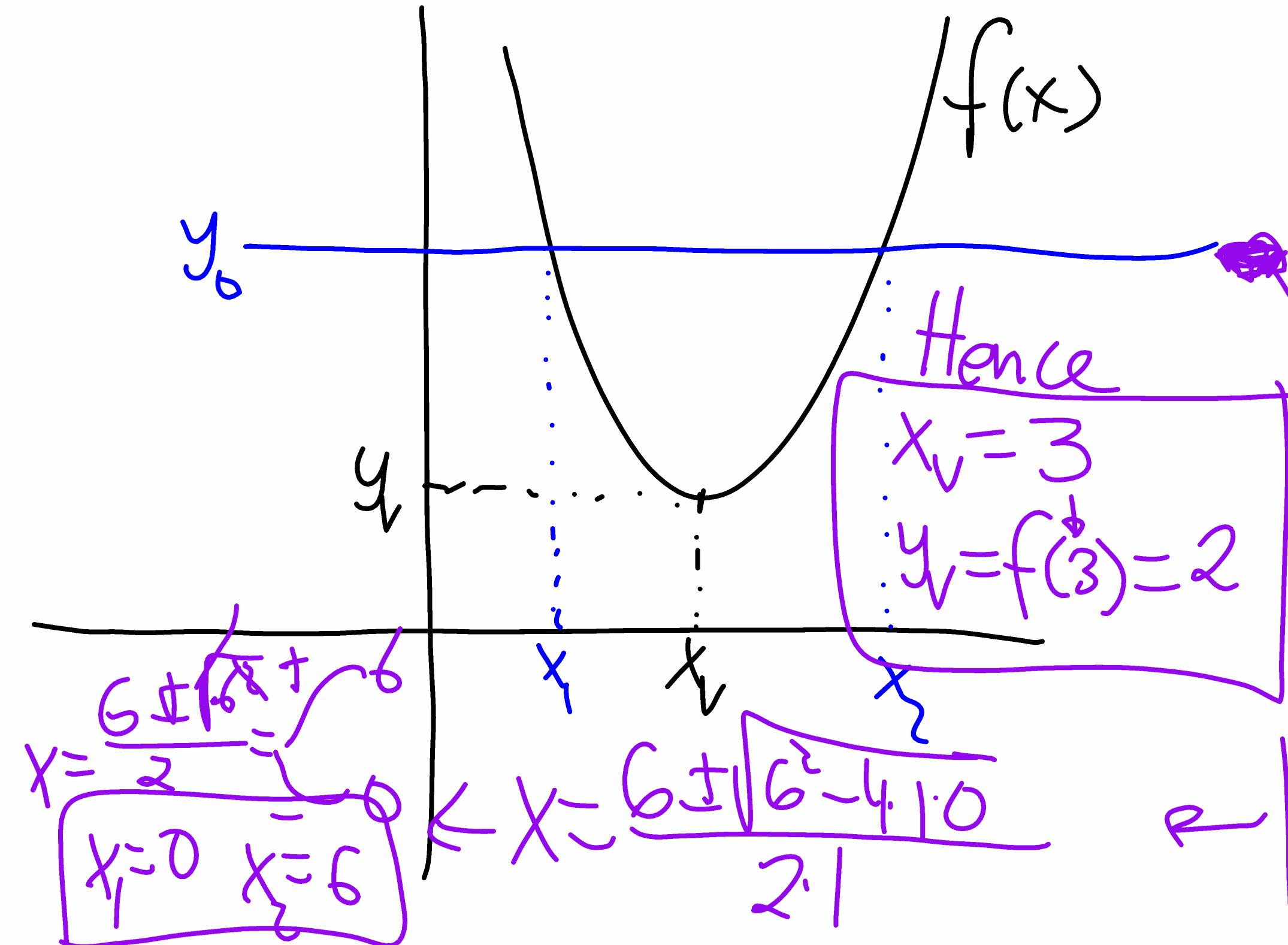


How to determine the vertex of a Q funct. Thu 21 Feb 2019



Example $f(x) = (x-3)^2 + 2$

This is vertex form. Hence, we know that the vertex is $(3, 2)$. Let's see that the method works too.

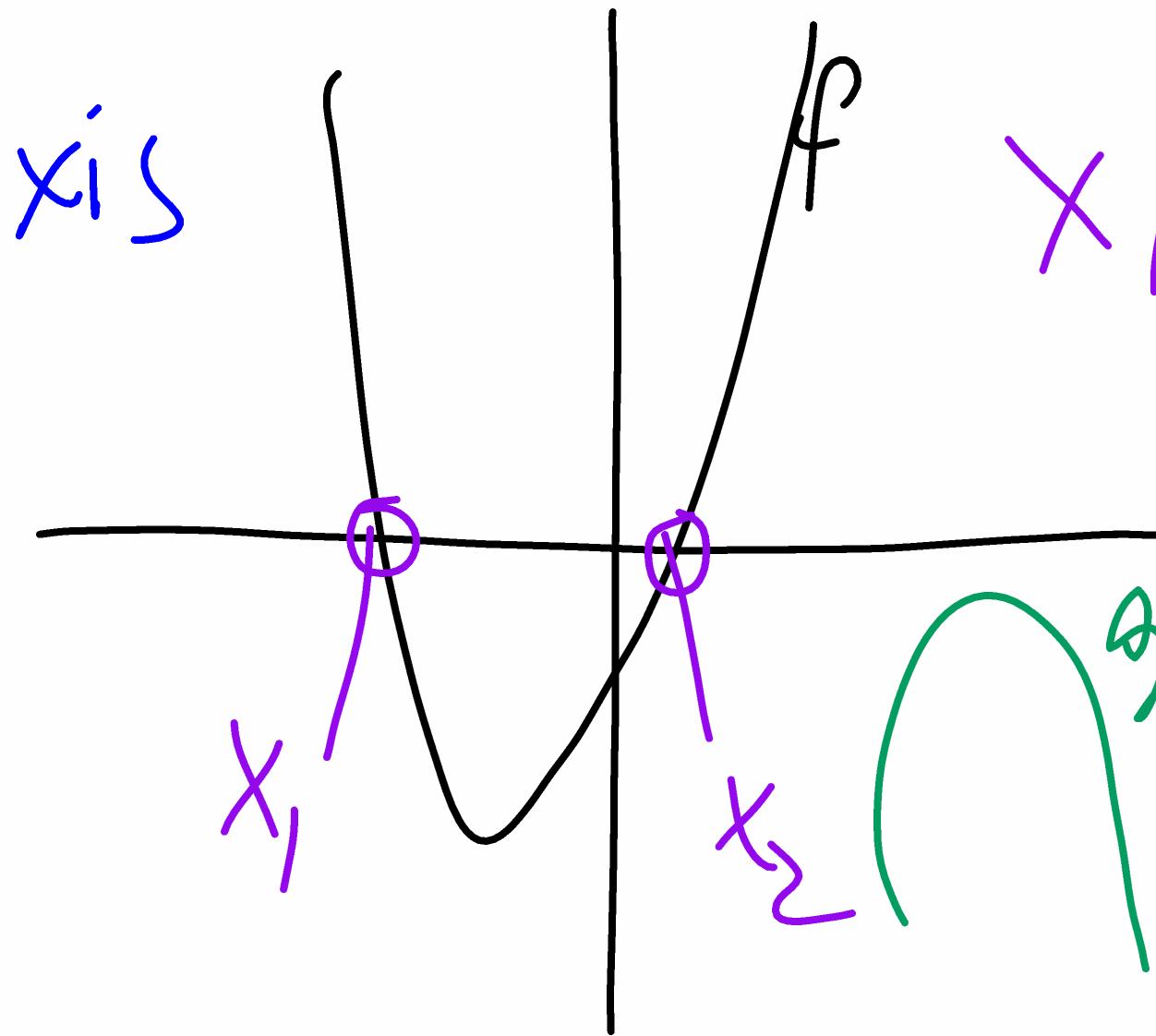
For y we choose $f(0) = 11$

Next we find the values of x such that

$$\begin{aligned}f(x) &= 11 \\(x-3)^2 + 2 &= 11 \\x^2 - 6x &= 0 \\a=1 & b=6 \\c=0 &\end{aligned}$$
$$x^2 - 6x + 2 = 11$$

How to we find the zeros graphically?

- 1) We plot the function (e.g. using geogebra)
- 2) We find the x -values where the function crosses the x -axis



x_1 & x_2 are the zeros
of this function

The function g does not
cross the x -axis
Hence, it has NO zeros

Example: Graph by hand & use graph to solve equation

a) $g(x) = -x^2 + 5x + 14$

$$g(x) = -x^2 + 5x + 14 = 0$$

