

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Week 4

## Quadratic Equation

Subtopic: Roots of quadratic equation

Lesson Topic: sum and product of roots.

**INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES:** Graph board and graph papers

### **SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES:**

Solving problems involving simultaneous equation

Solving problems involving quadratic equations

solving problems relating to sum and product of roots

Let's  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  denotes roots the roots of the quadratic equation:

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0, \text{ where } a \neq 0$$

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

using formular:

$$\alpha + \beta = (-b)/a, \alpha\beta = c/a$$

**TEACHER ACTIVITIES:** solution to factorization.

Suppose that

$$ax^2 + bx + c = (x - \alpha)(x - \beta) \text{ then}$$

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0, \text{ if } (x - \alpha)(x - \beta) = 0 \text{ since}$$

$$a \times b = 0, \text{ is true only if either } a = 0 \text{ or } b = 0$$

(a, b are real numbers, then either  $(x - \alpha) = 0$  or  $(x - \beta) = 0$  or both.

In general, suppose that there are integers p, q, r and s such that:

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0, \text{ if } (px + q)(rx + s)$$

Find the quadratic equation the roots of which are the squares of the roots of the equation.

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

### **Solution:**

$$\alpha + \beta = (-b)/(a), \alpha\beta = c/(a)$$

The roots are of the required equation on  $\alpha^2$  and  $\beta^2$ , we need to calculate the sum of the roots and product of roots.

$$\alpha^2 + \beta^2 \text{ and } \alpha^2\beta^2$$

from symmetric identities,

$$\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta$$

$$(b^2)/a^2 - 2c/a = (b^2 - 4ac)/a^2 \quad \text{and}$$

$$\alpha^2\beta^2 = (\alpha\beta)^2 = (c^2)/a^2$$

The required equation is:

$$x^2 - ((b^2 - 4ac)/a^2)x + (c^2)/a^2$$

And on multiplying through by  $a^2$

$$a^2 x^2 - ((b^2 - 4ac)x + c^2) = 0$$

Example

The quadratic equation

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

The two roots if  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  obtains a quadratic equation in  $x$  which has  $\alpha^3$  and  $\beta^3$

**Solution:**

$$\alpha + \beta = 3/2, \alpha\beta = 3$$

$$\text{therefore: } \alpha^3 + \beta^3 = (\alpha + \beta)^3 - 3\alpha\beta(\alpha + \beta)$$

by the symmetric identities

$$= 27/8 - 3 \times 3(3/2)$$

$$= 27/8 - 27/2 = -10 \frac{1}{8}$$

$$\alpha^3\beta^3 = (\alpha\beta)^3 = 27$$

Solve:

Find the value of  $c$  in the quadratic equation:

$$x^2 + cx + c = 0$$

If one of the roots is half of the other

**Solution:**

Let the root be  $\alpha$  and  $1/2 \alpha$  then

$$3/2 \alpha = -c, \quad 1/2 \alpha^2 = c$$

$$\text{Therefore: } \alpha^2 = 2c = (4c^2)/9$$

$$c = (9)/2$$

**ASSIGNMENT:**

If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the roots of quadratic equations  $2x^2 + 7x + 3 = 0$ .

Obtain the equation the roots which are  $(1)/(\alpha^2)$  and  $(1)/(\beta^2)$

Let a  $b$  and  $c$  denotes real constant, show that if the quadratic equation:

$$x^2 - (3c - b)x + bc = 0, \text{ has equal roots, then so does:}$$

$$x^2 - (5c - b)x + 4c^2 = 0$$