

Sec 5-1: Quadratic Function

A function is a quadratic if the largest exponent is 2.

Standard Form of a Quadratic Function

$$y = \boxed{ax^2 + bx + c}$$

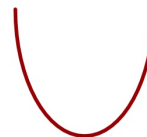
Quadratic Term Linear Term Constant

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

The graph of a quadratic function is a PARABOLA

Parabola that opens up:

$$a > 0$$



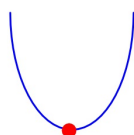
Parabola that opens down:

$$a < 0$$



The VERTEX of a parabola is

The lowest point if the parabola opens up.

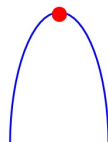


$$a > 0$$

Minimum

or

The highest point if the parabola opens down.

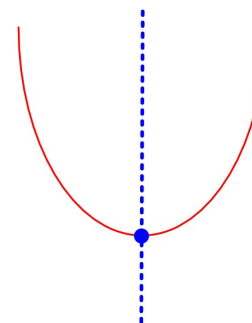


$$a < 0$$

Maximum

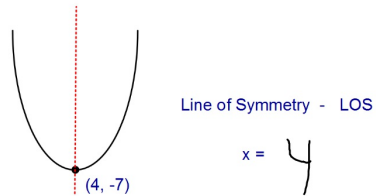
Every parabola has a Line of Symmetry (LOS).

The LOS is a vertical line that passes through the vertex.



If the the vertex of a parabola is (4, -7) what is the equation of the Line of Symmetry?

The Line of Symmetry is a Vertical line passing through the Vertex



Use this equation of a quadratic.

$$y = x^2 - 4x + 7$$

The Line of Symmetry is $x = 2$

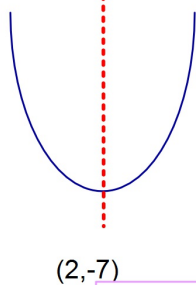
What are the coordinates of the vertex?

(2 ,)

To find the y-coordinate just replace x in the equation with 2 and find the value of y.

$$y = 2x^2 - 8x + 1$$

LOS: $x = 2$

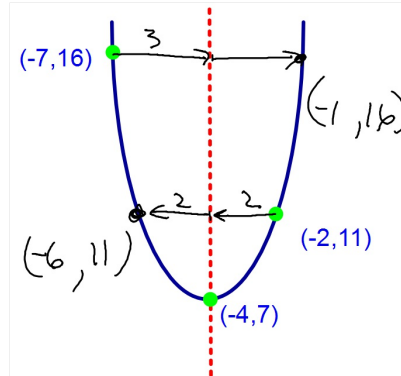


State the minimum value of this quadratic function.

The value of a function is what $Y = -7$

When does this minimum value occur?

When a certain value occurs is what $X = 2$



State the coordinates of two more points on this parabola.

Use the Line of Symmetry

Real-Life Data can sometimes be modeled with mathematical functions.

Scatter plots on the graphing calculator.

x (year)	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
y (sales)	12	19	29	37	45

Linear Regression:
finding the equation of the of best fit.

Doing a Linear Regression on the graphing calculator.

$$y = 8.4x - 16830.4$$

Correlation: relationship between two quantities

Positive Correlation

As x increases,
y increases

Pos Slope

Negative Correlation

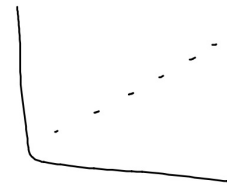
As x increases,
y decreases

Neg Slope

No Correlation

No relationship between quantities

Strong Correlation



Weak Correlation



r

Correlation Coefficient

$r > 0$ positive correlation

$r = 1$ Perfect positive correlation

$r < 0$ negative correlation

$r = -1$ Perfect negative correlation

The closer **r** is to ± 1 the better the fit.

The closer **|r|** is to 1 the better the fit.

For Us:

We will use the correlation coefficient for comparison only.

Don't have a graphing calculator?

- Borrow one
- The internet -- My blog
- Spreadsheet software (Excel)