

How many points are required to define a parabola? 3 noncollinear points

Find the equation of the parabola that passes through the given points:

Enter this data into L₁ and L₂ then do a Quadratic Regression:

$(-4, -3), (-2, 5), (1, 8)$

L ₁	L ₂
-4	-3
-2	5
1	8

$$y = -0.6x^2 + 0.4x + 8.2$$

Another way to find the equation of the quadratic that passes through

$(-4, -3), (-2, 5), (1, 8)$

Create a system of equations

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

$$(-4, -3)$$

$$-3 = 16a - 4b + c$$

$$(-2, 5)$$

$$5 = 4a - 2b + c$$

$$(1, 8)$$

$$8 = a + b + c$$

$$\begin{aligned} a &= -0.6 \\ b &= 0.4 \\ c &= 8.2 \end{aligned}$$

$$A X = B$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} 16 & -4 & 1 \\ 4 & -2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} X = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 5 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$A^{-1} B$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} -0.6 \\ 0.4 \\ 8.2 \end{bmatrix}$$

To find a Quadratic Equation for the four points below:

$(-5, 20), (-3, 24), (-2, 23), (1, 8)$

Would it be better to

1. use a graphing calculator and do a Quadratic Regression

or

2. use a graphing calculator, a system of equations, and matrices?

You can only use 3 points to find the equation of a quadratic using matrices so you'd have to eliminate one of the points.... which one and why that one?

You can use all the points when doing a quadratic regression, therefore, this is a better method when you have more than three data points to use.

What if you don't have a graphing calculator at home to do a scatter plot?

1. Use paper and pencil
2. Stay after school and use one in my classroom
3. Use spreadsheet software such as Excel
4. Use the internet

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The graph of the function $f(x) = -2x^2 + c$ contains the point $(-3, -7)$.
Find the value of c .

$$-7 = -2(-3)^2 + c$$

$$-7 = -2(9) + c$$

$$-7 = -18 + c$$

$$+18 \quad +18$$

$$11 = c$$

You can now finish Hwk #3.

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Problems 5, 8, 16, 21, 22, 34, 38

Due Tomorrow

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

Without actually graphing a parabola how can you tell it opens up or opens down?

When $a < 0$ the parabola opens DOWN

When $a > 0$ the parabola opens UP

How can you tell if a Quadratic has a Maximum or a Minimum without graphing?

If a parabola opens UP the vertex is a Minimum

If the parabola opens DOWN the vertex is a Maximum

Does each Quadratic have a Maximum or a Minimum?

1. $y = -31.5x^2 + 3x + 0.57$

a is neg

Opens Down so the vertex
is a MAX

2. $f(x) = 0.0912x^2 - 68x - 13$

a is pos

Opens UP so the vertex
is a MIN

3. $f(x) = -25x + 3.27x^2 - 178$

a is pos

Opens UP so the vertex
is a MIN

4. $y = (3x + 1)(7 - x)$

If you expand this you'll get $-3x^2$ so a will be neg

Opens Down so the vertex
is a MAX