Name: Class: Date:
--------------------

## A2R 2.7 Extension - Quadratic Formula and the Discriminant

## You Can't Spell "Fundamental Theorem of Algebra" without F-U-N! Quadratics and Complex Numbers

- 1. The Internet Bargains Company models their profit during different 20-day periods throughout the year. The function p(x) represents the daily profit (in thousands of dollars) on the *x*th day of each period. When p(x) > 0, the company has a daily profit. When p(x) < 0, the company has a daily loss.
  - **a.** The model for one 20-day period is  $p(x) = 0.04(x 10)^2 + 2$ . Determine which of the days in the 20-day period the company made a profit without using a calculator. Explain your reasoning.
  - **b.** The model for one 20-day period is p(x) = -0.1(x 3)(x 15). Determine which of the days in the 20-day period the company made a profit without using a calculator. Explain your reasoning.
  - **c.** The model for one 20-day period is  $p(x) = -0.06(x-9)^2$ . Determine which of the days in the 20-day period the company made a profit without using a calculator. Explain your reasoning.

- 2. Determine the number of roots for each given equation and whether the roots are real or imaginary.
  - **a.**  $0 = 9x^2 6x + 1$

.

. .

- **b.**  $0 = 2x^2 + 9x + 10$
- **c.**  $0 = x^2 3x + 5$

3. Write a quadratic equation in standard form with the given roots.

**a.** Write a quadratic equation with a double root of -5.

- •
- .
- .
- .
- **b.** Write a quadratic equation with a root of -3 + 2i.

## A2R 2.7 Extension - Quadratic Formula and the Discriminant Answer Section

- **1.** ANS:
  - **a.** Answers will vary.

The function has no real zeros because the graph has a vertex above the *x*-axis and is concave up. The function has only positive values during the 20-day period. Therefore, the company had a profit during each of the 20 days in the period.

**b.** Answers will vary.

The function has zeros at 3 and 15 which means the company broke even on days 3 and 15. The function is concave down, so it has positive values between day 3 and day 15. Therefore, the company had a profit from day 4 through day 14 during this period.

**c.** Answers will vary.

The function has a vertex on the *x*-axis and it is concave down, so it has no positive values during the 20-day period. Therefore, the company did not have a profit on any of the 20 days in the period.

PTS: 1 REF: 2.7 NAT: N.CN.7 | N.CN.8(+) | N.CN.9(+)

TOP: Assignment

KEY: imaginary roots | discriminant | imaginary zeros | Fundamental Theorem of Algebra | double root

**2.** ANS:

**a.** 
$$b^2 - 4ac = (-6)^2 - 4(9)(1)$$
  
= 36 - 36  
= 0

The equation has 2 real double roots.

**b.** 
$$b^2 - 4ac = 9^2 - 4(2)(10)$$
  
= 81 - 80  
= 1

The equation has 2 real roots.

c. 
$$b^2 - 4ac = (-3)^2 - 4(1)(5)$$
  
= 9 - 20  
= -11

The equation has 2 imaginary roots.

PTS: 1 REF: 2.7 NAT: N.CN.7 | N.CN.8(+) | N.CN.9(+)

TOP: Assignment

KEY: imaginary roots | discriminant | imaginary zeros | Fundamental Theorem of Algebra | double root

## **3.** ANS:

**a.** Answers will vary.

$$0 = (x + 5)(x + 5)$$
  

$$0 = x^{2} + 5x + 5x + 25$$
  

$$0 = x^{2} + 10x + 25$$

**b.** Answers will vary.

The equation must also have an imaginary root of -3 - 2i.

$$0 = (x - (-3 + 2i))(x - (-3 - 2i))$$
  

$$0 = (x + 3 - 2i)(x + 3 + 2i)$$
  

$$0 = x^{2} + 3x + 2xi + 3x + 9 + 6i - 2xi - 6i - 4i^{2}$$
  

$$0 = x^{2} + 6x + 9 - 4(-1)$$
  

$$0 = x^{2} + 6x + 9 + 4$$
  

$$0 = x^{2} + 6x + 13$$

PTS: 1 REF: 2.7 NAT: N.CN.7 | N.CN.8(+) | N.CN.9(+)

TOP: Assignment

KEY: imaginary roots | discriminant | imaginary zeros | Fundamental Theorem of Algebra | double root