The solutions of a quadratic equation of the form $a x^{2}+b x+c=0$ are given by the following formula:


Example 1: Using the Quadratic Formula
What are the roots of the equation $\mathrm{x}^{2}-8=2 x$ ? Use the quadratic formula to solve.

What are the solutions of $2 x^{2}+3 x=5$ ? Use the quadratic formula to solve.

What are the roots of the equation $x^{2}-4 x=-4$ ? Use the quadratic formula to solve.

Example 2:
Sports In the shot put, an athlete throws a heavy metal ball through the air. The arc of the ball can be modeled by the equation $y=-0.04 x^{2}+0.84 x+2$, where $x$ is the horizontal distance, in meters, from the athlete and $y$ is the height, in meters, of the ball. How far from the athlete will the ball land?


Practice . A batter strikes a baseball. The equation $y=-0.005 x^{2}+0.7 x+3.5$ models its path, where $x$ is the horizontal distance, in feet, the ball travels and $y$ is the height, in feet, of the ball. How far from the batter will the ball land? Round to the nearest tenth of a foot.

Example 3: Choose a Method

Example 4: Discriminant
The discriminant is an expression $\qquad$ in a $\qquad$

Discriminant

Example
$x^{2}-6 x+7=0$ The discriminant is $(-6)^{2}-4(1)(7)=8$, which is positive.

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


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x^{2}-6 x+11=0
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The discriminant is
$(-6)^{2}-4(1)(11)=-8$,
which is negative.


Number of solutions.

How many solutions does $2 x^{2}-3 x=-5$ have?

