

Unit 3 - Quadratic Relations

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Intro to Quadratic RelationsSo far: Linear
RelationsNew: Quadratic
RelationsEquation: $y = mx^1 + b$

m is slope, b is y-intercept

highest exponent of x is 1

Equation: $y = ax^2 + bx^1 + c$

a, b, and c are coefficients

highest exponent of x is 2
(degree, or order, of 2)

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Recall: To graph a relationship, we can use
a table of values (or TOV).

1. Pick some values for x.
2. Sub each x-value into the equation.
3. Determine values for y.
4. Plot each point (x, y) on the x-y plane.
5. (Optional) Calculate first differences, which are the differences between *consecutive* y-values for *consecutive* x-values.

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Create a TOV for $y = 2x + 1$

x	$y = 2x + 1$	$\Delta y = y_2 - y_1$
-2	$2(-2) + 1 = -3$	
-1	$2(-1) + 1 = -1$	$-1 - (-3) = 2$
0	$2(0) + 1 = 1$	$1 - (-1) = 2$
1	$2(1) + 1 = 3$	$3 - 1 = 2$
2	$2(2) + 1 = 5$	$5 - 3 = 2$

' Δ ' (delta) means "change in" or "difference".

Δy is the change in y , or the first difference.

In a linear relationship, the first differences are the same constant.

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Ex.1. Create a TOV for $y = x^2$

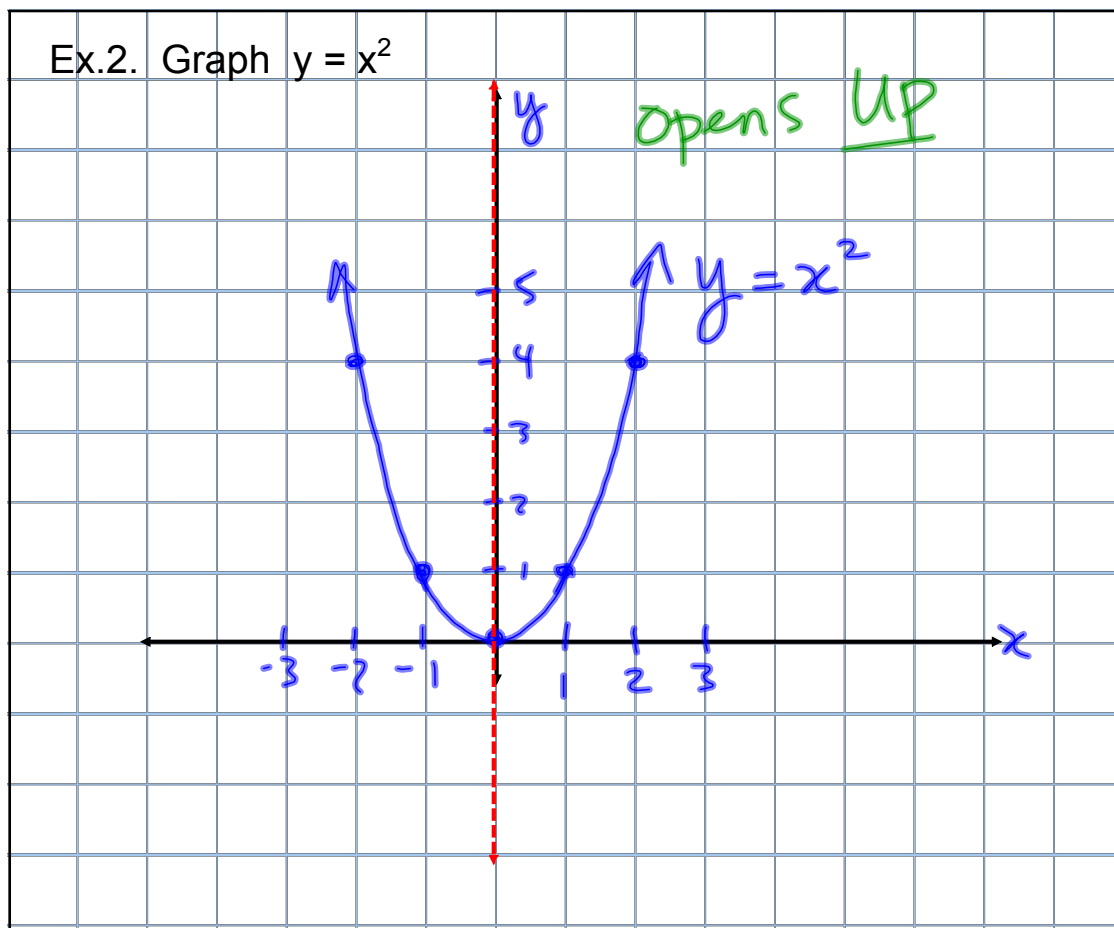
x	$y = x^2$	^{1st diff.} Δy	^{2nd diff.} $\Delta^2 y$
-2	$(-2)^2 = 4$		
-1	$(-1)^2 = 1$	$1 - 4 = -3$	$-1 - (-3) = 2$
0	$0^2 = 0$	$0 - 1 = -1$	$1 - (-1) = 2$
1	$1^2 = 1$	$1 - 0 = 1$	$3 - 1 = 2$
2	$2^2 = 4$	$4 - 1 = 3$	

$\Delta^2 y$ is the change in Δy , or change in 1st differences.

$\Delta^2 y$ is the second difference.

In a quadratic relationship, first differences are different and second differences are the same.

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Ex.3. Create a TOV and graph $y = -x^2 + 2x + 3$.

x	$y = -x^2 + 2x + 3$	Δy	$\Delta^2 y$
-2	-5		
-1	0	$0 - (-5) = 5$	$5 - 5 = -2$
0	3	$3 - 0 = 3$	$3 - 5 = -2$
1	4	$4 - 3 = 1$	$1 - 3 = -2$
2	3	$3 - 4 = -1$	$-1 - 1 = -2$

$$y = -(-2)^2 + 2(-2) + 3 = -(4) - 4 + 3 = -5$$

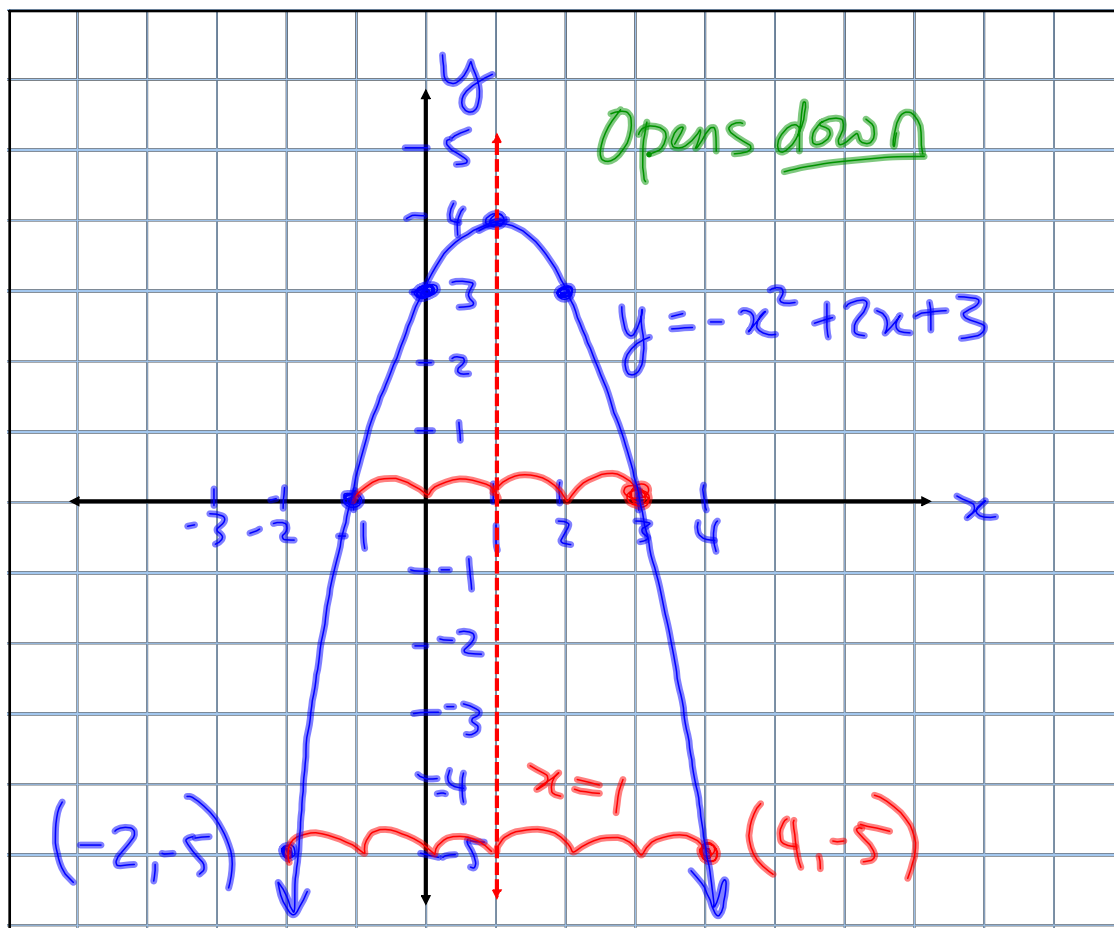
$$-(-1)^2 + 2(-1) + 3 = -(1) - 2 + 3 = 0$$

$$-(0)^2 + 2(0) + 3 = 3$$

$$-(1)^2 + 2(1) + 3 = -1 + 2 + 3 = 4$$

$$-(2)^2 + 2(2) + 3 = -4 + 4 + 3 = 3$$

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For any parabola, $y = ax^2 + bx + c$, the direction of opening can be determined from:

- the graph
- the sign of the 2nd difference
- the sign of "a"

Positive "a" value
Positive 2nd difference \Rightarrow parabola opens up.

Negative "a" value
Negative 2nd difference \Rightarrow parabola opens down.

Assigned Work:

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x	y	Δy	$\Delta^2 y$
-3	2.5		
-2	5.0	2.5	
-1	6.5	1.5	-1.0
0	7.0	0.5	-1.0

not linear

quadratic

opens down

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$$y = ax^2 + bx + c, a \neq 0$$

What if $a = 0$?

$$y = (0)x^2 + bx + c$$

$$= 0 + bx + c$$

$$y = bx + c$$

$$y = mx + b \text{ Straight line!}$$

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