

Quadratic equations with parameters

1. In the equations below analyze the number of solutions to x with respect to the parameters used.

(a) $2x^2 + px + 1 = 0$.

(b) $x^2 + 3x + b = 0$.

(c) $-x^2 + kx + (k - 3) = 0$.

(d) $x^2 + px + p = 0$.

(e) $ax^2 - 2x + 1 = 0$.

(f) $px^2 + px - 3 = 0$.

(g) $mx^2 - x + m = 0$.

2. Find the tangent line

(a) to $y = -2x^2 + 1$ at $x = 1$,

(b) to $y = 4x^2 - x$ at $x = -2$,

(c) to $y = x^2 - x + 1$ at $x = 3$,

(d) to $y = 2x^2 + 4x + 5$ at $x = -1$,

3. For each function below find, exactly,

- the domain,
- the equations of the asymptotes,
- the roots and the y-intercept
- the range and the coordinates of any turning points.

Sketch the graphs, indicating your findings.

(a) $y = x + \frac{5}{x}$.

(b) $y = 2x - 1 - \frac{1}{x - 1}$.

(c) $y = \frac{x^2 + x + 4}{x + 1}$.

(d) $y = \frac{-2x^2 + 3}{2x - 1}$.

(e) $y = \frac{(x + 1)^2}{x}$.

(f) $y = \frac{-2x^2 + 4x - 2}{x + 1}$.

(g) $y = \frac{x}{4x^2 + 1}$.

(h) $y = \frac{x + 1}{x^2 + x + 4}$.

(i) $y = \frac{1 - 2x}{(x + 2)^2}$.

(j) $y = \frac{2x + 1}{x^2 - 6x + 9}$.

(k) $y = \frac{x}{1 - x^2}$.

(l) $y = \frac{x - 1}{x^2 + x}$.

(m) $y = \frac{x^2 + x + 1}{x^2 - x + 1}$.

$$(n) \ y = \frac{2x^2 + 1}{(x - 1)^2}.$$

$$(o) \ y = \frac{2x^2 + 1}{x^2 - 1}.$$