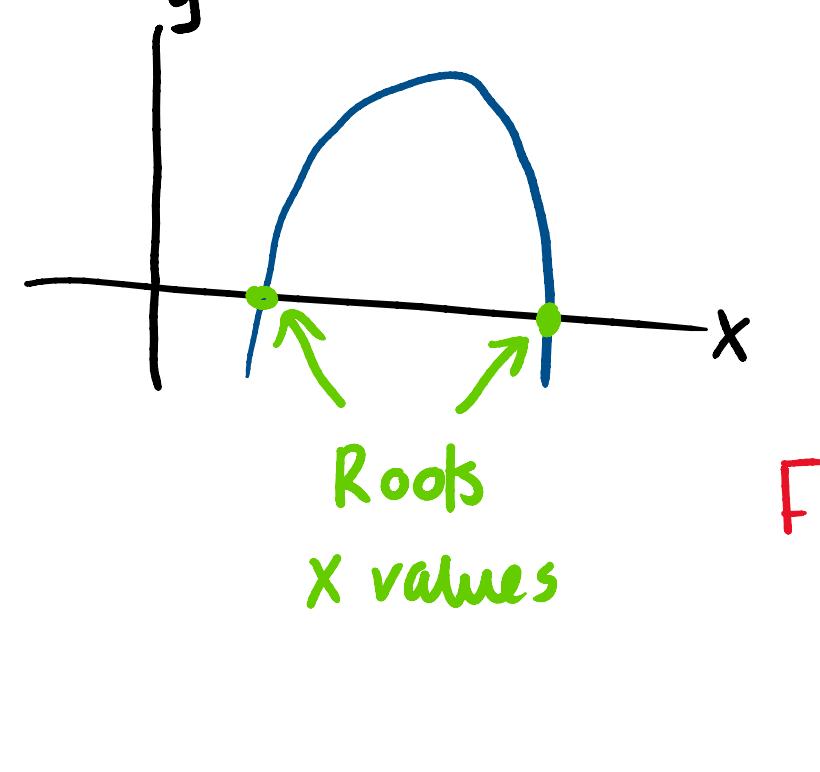


Quadratics from the roots.

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Roots are the values of x where the curve cuts the x axis



Solve the quadratic to find the values of x

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Factors } (x - 2)(x - 3) \\ \begin{array}{r} x^2 - 5x + 6 = 0 \\ \begin{array}{r} x^2 \quad 6 \\ x \quad x \\ \hline 2 \quad 3 \end{array} \end{array} \end{array}$$

$\begin{array}{r} -2x - 3 + 6 \\ \hline -5x \end{array}$

(Note: The term $-2x$ is crossed out with a red line, and $-3+6$ is crossed out with a red line.)

Roots : Put each factor = 0

solve for x

$$\begin{array}{l} x-2=0 \\ +2 \mid x=2 \end{array} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} x-3=0 \\ +3 \mid x=3 \end{array} \right\}$$

Roots of $x^2 - 5x + 6 = 0$ are $x=2$ and $x=3$.

When given the roots and asked to form the quadratic

- ① Put the roots equal to x .
- ② Make two factors - use stabilizers
- ③ Multiply the two brackets
- ④ Answer will be a quadratic in the form $ax^2 + bx + c$

Eg 1) Form the quadratic equation when the roots are 2, 3.

- ① Put roots = x

$$x=2$$

$$x=3$$

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$$② \quad x=2$$

$$-2 \mid x-2=0 \mid -2$$

factor $(x-2)$

$$x=3$$

$$-3 \mid x-3=0 \mid -3$$

$(x-3)$

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Roots

2, 4

- ③ Multiply the factors

$$(x-2)(x-3)$$

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$$x(x-3) - 2(x-3)$$

$$x^2 - 3x - 2x + 6$$

like terms

- ④ Quadratic in the $ax^2 + bx + c$

$$x^2 - 5x + 6$$