

Lesson 2-8: Writing Quadratic Functions in Standard Form (curve-fitting)

Write a quadratic function in standard form Sept. 25 that contains each set of points.

$f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$
 $f(x) = -x^2 + x + 4$

1 $\begin{matrix} x & y & x & y & x & y \\ (0, 4), & (-1, 2), & \text{and} & (3, -2) \end{matrix}$

$(0, 4)$ ① $4 = c$

$(-1, 2)$ ② $2 = a - b + c \rightarrow 2 = a - b + 4$

$(3, -2)$ ③ $-2 = 9a + 3b + c \rightarrow -2 = 9a + 3b + 4$

$$\begin{array}{r} -2 = a - b \\ -6 = 9a + 3b \\ \hline -12 = 12a \\ -1 = a \end{array}$$

$b = 1$

2 $(-2, -1), (1, 11), \text{ and } (2, 27)$ $f(x) = 3x^2 + 7x + 1$

$f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$

$(-2, -1)$ ① $-1 = 4a - 2b + c \rightarrow$ ① $-1 = 4a - 2b + c$

$(1, 11)$ ② $11 = a + b + c$ $(-1) \rightarrow$ ② $-11 = -a - b - c$

$(2, 27)$ ③ $27 = 4a + 2b + c$

$$\begin{array}{r} -12 = 3a - 3b \\ 16 = 3a + b \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -11 = -a - b - c \\ 27 = 4a + 2b + c \\ \hline 16 = 3a + b \end{array}$$

$a = 3, b = 7, c = 1$