

1.6 Solving Quadratic Equations Part 3 9/4/19

Ex 1: Solve $2x^2 + 7x + 1 = 16$

Step 1: $2x^2 + 7x - 15 = 0$

Step 2: $a=2 \quad b=7 \quad c=-15$

Step 3:

$$x = \frac{-(-7) \pm \sqrt{(-7)^2 - 4(2)(-15)}}{2(2)}$$

Step 4: $x = \frac{-7 \pm \sqrt{169}}{4}$

169
13 13
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13 ✓

Step 5: $x = \frac{-7 \pm 13}{4}$

Step 6: Simplify the whole fraction

$$x = \frac{-7 + 13}{4} = \frac{3}{2} \quad x = \frac{-7 - 13}{4} = -5$$

Ex 2: Solve $2x^2 - 8x - 5 = 0$

Step 2: $a=2 \quad b=-8 \quad c=-5$

Step 3:

$$x = \frac{-(-8) \pm \sqrt{(-8)^2 - 4(2)(-5)}}{2(2)}$$

Step 4: $x = \frac{8 \pm \sqrt{104}}{4} \rightarrow \frac{104}{4 \cdot 26}$

Step 5: $x = \frac{8 \pm 2\sqrt{26}}{4}$

~~8 \cdot 2 \cdot 13~~
2 \sqrt{2 \cdot 13} = 2 \sqrt{26}

Step 6: $x = \frac{8 + 2\sqrt{26}}{4}$

$x = \frac{8 - 2\sqrt{26}}{4}$

$$\boxed{x = \frac{4 + \sqrt{26}}{2} \quad x = \frac{4 - \sqrt{26}}{2}}$$

Ex 3: Solve $x^2 + 6x + 25 = 0$

Step 2: $a=1 \quad b=6 \quad c=25$

$$x = \frac{-6 \pm \sqrt{6^2 - 4(1)(25)}}{2(1)}$$

Step 4: $x = \frac{-6 \pm \sqrt{-64}}{2}$

Step 5: $x = \frac{-6 \pm 8i}{2}$

Step 6: $x = \frac{-3 \pm 4i}{1}$

$$\boxed{x = -3 + 4i \quad x = -3 - 4i}$$