3.6 Factored Form

Graph the equation and note the location of the x-intercepts, axis of symmetry and vertex.

| Equation | x-int | x-int | vertex | sketch |
|-----------------------|-------|-------|--------|--------|
| y = (x - 4)(x + 2) | | | | |
| y = 0.5(x - 5)(x - 1) | | | | |
| y = 2x(x + 4) | | | | |
| y = (x - 2) (x - 7) | | | | |
| y = (x + 4)(x + 4) | | | | |
| y = -3(x + 2)(x + 5) | | | | |
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Summary

• represents an equation in **FACTORED** form y = a(x - r)(x - s)

same "a" as in vertex form

- the x-intercepts, or zeros, are r and s
- the axis of symmetry is between the x-intercepts $x = \frac{r + s}{2}$
- The x-coordinate of the vertex by substituting the x-coordinate of the vertex in the equation
- find the y-coordinate of the vertex by substituting the x-coordinate of vertex in the equation

Ex. 1

Determine the equation of the parabola in factored form. Algebraically determine the value of "a"

a)

b)





Ex. 2 Sketch each parabola. Label the x-intercepts and the vertex.







y= (x-3) (x+5)

y = -0.3(x+2)(x+5)

y = -1/2 (x-1)(x+6)

Ex. 3 Chris kicked a ball from the ground. It travelled a horizontal distance of 52m and reached a maximum height of 17 m

a) Draw a sketch of a relation between horizontal distance and height



b) Determine the equation of the relation in factored form