

Axis of symmetry

The equation of the axis of symmetry is $x = C$.

Axis of symmetry is the vertical line splitting the graph into half.

Quadratic form: $y = ax^2 + bx + c$

Axis of symmetry is $x = \frac{-b}{2a}$

Completing the square


Quadratic form to vertex form $y = (x - h)^2 + k$
 (h, k) is the vertex.

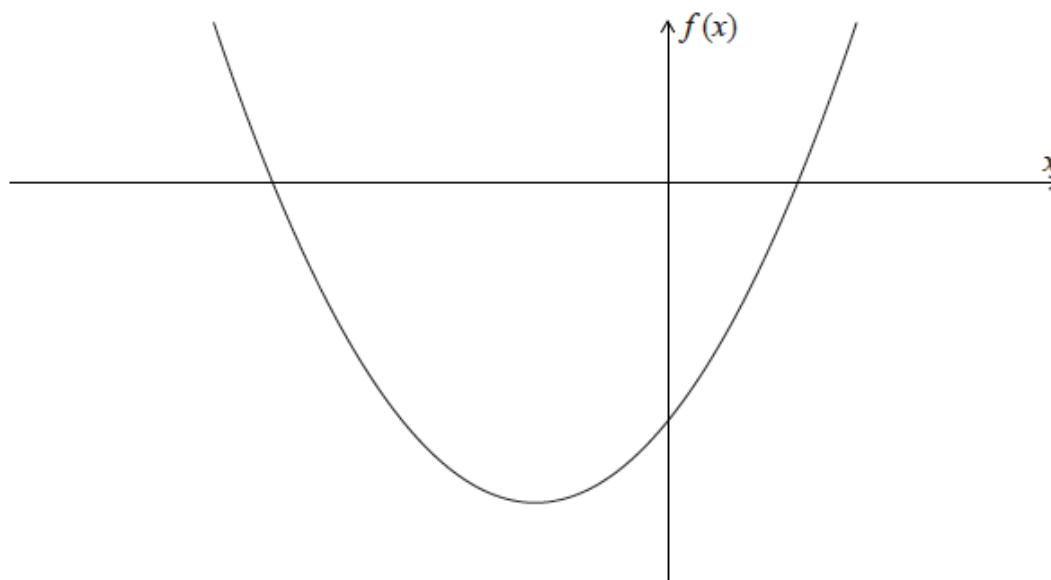
Write the following quadratic forms in the form of $y = (x - h)^2 + k$
by completing the square and hence find the coordinates of the
vertex.

1. $x^2 + 2x + 10$

2. $x^2 - 4x - 2$

Exercise

1.  The diagram below shows part of the graph of $f(x) = (x - 1)(x + 3)$.



- (a) Write down the x-intercepts of the graph of f .
(b) Find the coordinates of the vertex of the graph of f .
