

## Quadratic function

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If the functions  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  are  $f(x)=3x-1$  and  $g(x)=-2x^2+4x$ , find the following values.

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|------------|----------------------------------|--------------|
| (1) $f(0)$ | (2) $f\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)$ | (3) $f(3a)$  |
| (4) $g(2)$ | (5) $g\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$  | (6) $g(a-1)$ |

### solution

From  $f(x)=3x-1$

$$(1) \quad f(0)=3 \cdot 0-1=-1$$

$$(2) \quad f\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)=3 \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)-1=-1-1=-2$$

$$(3) \quad f(3a)=3 \cdot 3a-1=9a-1$$

From  $g(x)=-2x^2+4x$

$$(4) \quad g(2)=-2 \cdot 2^2+4 \cdot 2=-8+8=0$$

$$(5) \quad g\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)=-2 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2+4 \cdot \frac{1}{2}=-\frac{1}{2}+2=\frac{-1+4}{2}=\frac{3}{2}$$

$$(6) \quad g(a-1)=-2(a-1)^2+4(a-1)=-2(a^2-2a+1)+4a-4=-2a^2+4a-2+4a-4=-2a^2+8a-6$$

**2**

Find the value range of the following function.

(1)  $y=3x+1$  ( $-2 \leq x \leq 0$ )

(2)  $y = -\frac{1}{3}x - 2$  ( $-3 \leq x \leq 1$ )

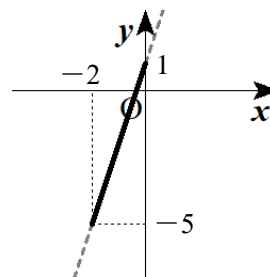
**solution**

(1)  $y=3x+1$  ( $-2 \leq x \leq 0$ )

The graph of the above function is shown in the figure on the right.

Therefore, the value range is

$$-5 \leq y \leq 1.$$

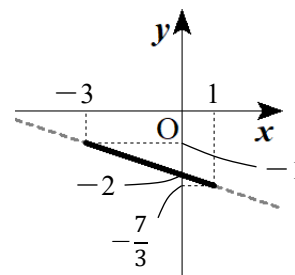


(2)  $y = -\frac{1}{3}x - 2$  ( $-3 \leq x \leq 1$ )

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Therefore, the value range is

$$-\frac{7}{3} \leq y \leq -1.$$



**3**

Answer how the graphs of the following quadratic functions are each parallel shifts of the graph of the quadratic function  $y=2x^2$ . Sketch the graph of each and find its axis and vertex.

(1)  $y=2x^2-1$

(2)  $y=2(x-2)^2$

(3)  $y=2(x+1)^2-3$

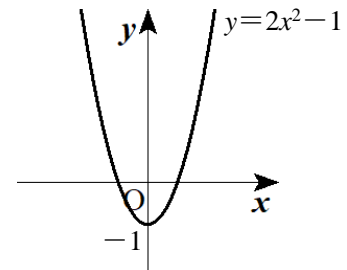
**solution**

(1) The parabola  $y=2x^2-1$  is the parabola  $y=2x^2$

**shifted parallel along the  $y$ -axis direction by  $-1$ .**

**The axis is the straight line  $x=0$  ( $y$ -axis), the vertex is  $(0, -1)$ ,**

**and the graph is shown in the figure on the right.**

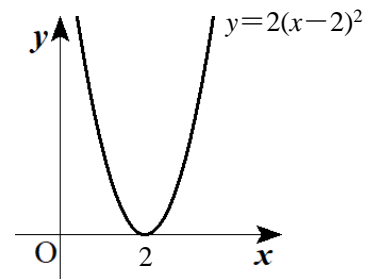


(2) The parabola  $y=2(x-2)^2$  is the parabola  $y=2x^2$

**shifted parallel along the  $x$ -axis direction by  $2$ .**

**The axis is the straight line  $x=2$ , the vertex is  $(2, 0)$ ,**

**and the graph is shown in the figure on the right.**



(3) The parabola  $y=2(x+1)^2-3$  is expressed as parabola

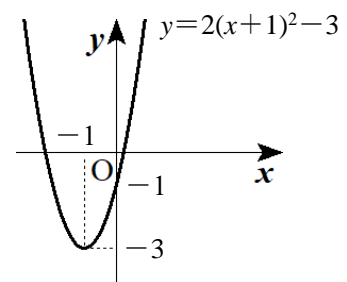
$y=2\{x-(-1)\}^2-3$ , which means that the parabola

$y=2x^2$  is **shifted parallel along the  $x$ -axis direction by  $-1$**

**and along the  $y$ -axis direction by  $-3$ .**

**The axis is the straight line  $x=-1$ , the vertex is  $(-1, -3)$ ,**

**and the graph is shown in the figure on the right.**



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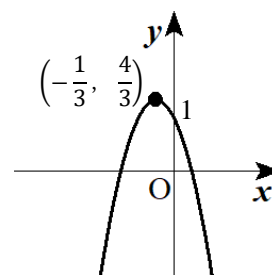
- (1) Sketch the quadratic function  $y = -3x^2 - 2x + 1$  and find its axis and vertex.
- (2) When the vertices of two parabolas  $y = x^2 - 8x$  and  $y = -\frac{1}{2}x^2 + ax - 3b$  coincide, find the values of the constants  $a$  and  $b$ .

**solution**

$$\begin{aligned}
 (1) \quad y &= -3x^2 - 2x + 1 = -3\left(x^2 + \frac{2}{3}x\right) + 1 = -3\left(x^2 + \frac{2}{3}x + \frac{1}{9} - \frac{1}{9}\right) + 1 \\
 &= -3\left\{\left(x + \frac{1}{3}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{9}\right\} + 1 = -3\left(x + \frac{1}{3}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{3} + 1 \\
 &= -3\left(x + \frac{1}{3}\right)^2 + \frac{4}{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

The axis is **the line**  $x = -\frac{1}{3}$ , **the vertex is**  $\left(-\frac{1}{3}, \frac{4}{3}\right)$ .

**The graph is shown in the figure on the right.**



(2)  $y = x^2 - 8x = x^2 - 8x + 16 - 16 = (x - 4)^2 - 16$     Therefore, the vertex is  $(4, -16)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 y &= -\frac{1}{2}x^2 + ax - 3b = -\frac{1}{2}(x^2 - 2ax) - 3b = -\frac{1}{2}(x^2 - 2ax + a^2 - a^2) - 3b \\
 &= -\frac{1}{2}\{(x - a)^2 - a^2\} - 3b = -\frac{1}{2}(x - a)^2 + \frac{1}{2}a^2 - 3b
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, since the vertex is  $\left(a, \frac{1}{2}a^2 - 3b\right)$ .

$$\begin{cases} 4 = a & \dots\dots \textcircled{1} \\ -16 = \frac{1}{2}a^2 - 3b & \dots\dots \textcircled{2} \end{cases}$$

Substituting  $\textcircled{1}$  into  $\textcircled{2}$ , we get  $-16 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 4^2 - 3b = 8 - 3b$ . Solve this and we get  $b = 8$ .

Therefore  **$a=4$ ,  $b=8$** .

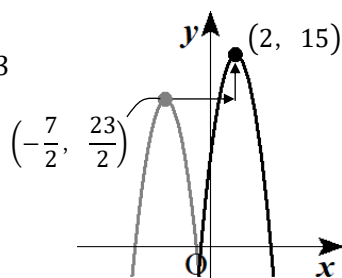
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- (1) How much parallel shift of the parabola  $y = -2x^2 - 14x - 13$  will overlap the parabola  $y = -2x^2 + 8x + 7$  ?  
 (2) When the graph of the quadratic function  $y = x^2 + ax + 4$  is translated by 2 along the  $x$ -axis direction to form the graph of the quadratic function  $y = x^2 - 9x + b$ , find the values of the constants  $a$  and  $b$ .  
 (3) Fill in the following blanks.

The graph of the quadratic function  $y = x^2$  was translated by (a) along the  $x$ -axis direction and translated by (b) along the  $y$ -axis direction, and then symmetrically shifted with respect to (c), yields the graph of the quadratic function  $y = -x^2 - 2x - 2$ .

**solution**

$$\begin{aligned} (1) \quad y &= -2x^2 - 14x - 13 = -2(x^2 + 7x) - 13 = -2\left(x^2 + 7x + \frac{49}{4} - \frac{49}{4}\right) - 13 \\ &= -2\left\{\left(x + \frac{7}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{49}{4}\right\} - 13 = -2\left(x + \frac{7}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{49}{2} - 13 \\ &= -2\left(x + \frac{7}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{23}{2}, \text{ so the vertex is } \left(-\frac{7}{2}, \frac{23}{2}\right). \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned} y &= -2x^2 + 8x + 7 = -2(x^2 - 4x) + 7 = -2(x^2 - 4x + 4 - 4) + 7 \\ &= -2\{(x - 2)^2 - 4\} + 7 = -2(x - 2)^2 + 8 + 7 = -2(x - 2)^2 + 15, \end{aligned}$$

so the vertex is (2, 15).

Therefore,  $\frac{11}{2}$  in the  $x$ -axis direction

and  $\frac{7}{2}$  parallel shift in the  $y$ -axis direction will result in overlap.

$$\begin{aligned} 2 - \left(-\frac{7}{2}\right) &= \frac{11}{2}, \\ 15 - \frac{23}{2} &= \frac{7}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$(2) \quad y = x^2 + ax + 4 = \left(x + \frac{a}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{a^2}{4} + 4, \text{ so the vertex is } \left(-\frac{a}{2}, -\frac{a^2}{4} + 4\right).$$

$$y = x^2 - 9x + b = \left(x - \frac{9}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{81}{4} + b, \text{ so the vertex is } \left(\frac{9}{2}, -\frac{81}{4} + b\right).$$

From the coordinates of each vertex, we get 
$$\begin{cases} -\frac{a}{2} + 2 = \frac{9}{2} & \dots\dots ① \\ -\frac{a^2}{4} + 4 = -\frac{81}{4} + b & \dots\dots ② \end{cases}$$

From ①,  $-\frac{a}{2} = \frac{5}{2}$ , therefore  $a = -5$ .

Substituting  $a = -5$  for ②,  $-\frac{(-5)^2}{4} + 4 = -\frac{81}{4} + b$ . From this,  $b = -\frac{25}{4} + 4 + \frac{81}{4} = 18$ .

From the above,  $a = -5$ ,  $b = 18$ .

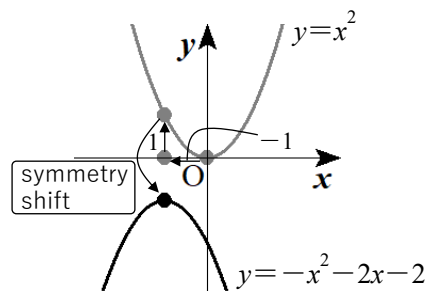
(3)  $y = -x^2 - 2x - 2 = -(x^2 + 2x) - 2 = -\{(x+1)^2 - 1\} - 2 = -(x+1)^2 + 1 - 2 = -(x+1)^2 - 1$

and so the vertex is  $(-1, -1)$ .

Thus, if the graph of the quadratic function  $y = x^2$  is translated along the  $x$ -axis direction by **(a) -1** and along the  $y$ -axis direction by **(b) 1**, and then symmetrically shifted about the **(c) x-axis**, the expression for the graph becomes  $y = -x^2 - 2x - 2$ .

⟨Note⟩ **(a) 1**, **(b) 1**, and **(c) origin** are also correct.

**(a) 1**, **(b) -1**, and **(c) y-axis** are incorrect because the direction of the graph must be opposite.





**7**

Find a quadratic function that satisfies the following conditions.

- (1) Through 3 points (2, 0), (1, 1), (3, 5).
- (2) Tangent to the  $x$ -axis and passing through two points (1, 1) and (4, 4).

**solution**

(1) Substitute  $x=2, y=0$  and  $x=1, y=1$  and  $x=3, y=5$  for  $y=ax^2+bx+c$  to form a simultaneous equation.

$$\begin{cases} 0 = 4a + 2b + c & \dots\dots \textcircled{1} \\ 1 = a + b + c & \dots\dots \textcircled{2} \\ 5 = 9a + 3b + c & \dots\dots \textcircled{3} \end{cases} .$$

From  $\textcircled{1} - \textcircled{2}, \textcircled{3} - \textcircled{1}$

$$\begin{cases} -1 = 3a + b \\ 5 = 5a + b \end{cases} . \quad \text{Solving this simultaneous equation yields } a = 3, b = -10.$$

Substituting  $a=3$  and  $b=-10$  for  $\textcircled{2}$ , we obtain  $c=8$ .

From the above,  $y=3x^2-10x+8$ .

(2) If it is tangent to the  $x$ -axis, the  $y$ -coordinate of the vertex is 0.

Therefore, the quadratic function to be obtained can be expressed as

$$y=a(x-p)^2.$$

Substitute  $x=1, y=1$  and  $x=4, y=4$  into this to form a simultaneous equation.

$$\begin{cases} 1 = a(1-p)^2 & \dots\dots \textcircled{1} \\ 4 = a(4-p)^2 & \dots\dots \textcircled{2} \end{cases}$$

Expanding the right-hand side, we get  $\begin{cases} 1 = a - 2ap + ap^2 & \dots\dots \textcircled{1}' \\ 4 = 16a - 8ap + ap^2 & \dots\dots \textcircled{2}' \end{cases}$

From  $\textcircled{2}' - \textcircled{1}' \quad 3 = 15a - 6ap$   
 $1 = 5a - 2ap$

$$a(5 - 2p) = 1 \text{ and } 5 - 2p \neq 0, \text{ so } a = \frac{1}{5 - 2p}.$$

Substituting this into  $\textcircled{1}, 1 = \frac{1}{5 - 2p}(1 - p)^2.$

Since  $5 - 2p \neq 0$ , multiplying both sides by  $5 - 2p, 5 - 2p = 1 - 2p + p^2.$

To summarize, we have  $p^2 - 4 = 0.$  Solving for this,  $p = \pm 2.$

When  $p = 2$ , we have  $a = 1$  from  $\textcircled{1}.$  When  $p = -2$ , we have  $a = \frac{1}{9}$  from  $\textcircled{1}.$

Therefore  $y = (x - 2)^2, y = \frac{1}{9}(x + 2)^2,$  that is  $y = x^2 - 4x + 4, y = \frac{1}{9}x^2 + \frac{4}{9}x + \frac{4}{9}.$



**8**

Solve the following quadratic equations.

(1)  $x^2 - 10x + 24 = 0$

(2)  $14x^2 + 29x - 15 = 0$

(3)  $x^2 + 5x + 5 = 0$

(4)  $x^2 - 6x - 6 = 0$

**solution**

(1)  $x^2 - 10x + 24 = 0$

Factorize the left-hand side to get  $(x - 4)(x - 6) = 0$ .

Therefore,  $x - 4 = 0$  or  $x - 6 = 0$ .

Thus,  $x = 4, 6$ .

(2)  $14x^2 + 29x - 15 = 0$

Factorize the left-hand side to get

$$(2x + 5)(7x - 3) = 0.$$

Therefore,  $2x + 5 = 0$  or  $7x - 3 = 0$ .

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \quad \times \quad 5 \quad \longrightarrow \quad 35 \\ 7 \quad \times \quad -3 \quad \longrightarrow \quad -6 \\ \hline \phantom{2 \quad \times \quad 5 \quad \longrightarrow \quad} 29 \end{array}$$

Thus,  $x = -\frac{5}{2}, \frac{3}{7}$ .

(3)  $x^2 + 5x + 5 = 0$

By the solution formula of quadratic equation we obtain  $x = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{5^2 - 4 \cdot 1 \cdot 5}}{2 \cdot 1} = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$ .

(4)  $x^2 - 6x - 6 = 0$

This quadratic equation can be viewed as  $x^2 + 2 \cdot (-3)x - 6 = 0$ , so

$$x = \frac{-(-3) \pm \sqrt{(-3)^2 - 1 \cdot (-6)}}{1} = 3 \pm \sqrt{15}.$$

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(1) Find the number of real solutions to the following quadratic equations.

$$\textcircled{1} \quad -2x^2 + 6x - \frac{9}{2} = 0$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad x^2 - \frac{9}{2}x + 5 = 0$$

(2) When the quadratic equation  $x^2 - mx + m + 3 = 0$  has multiple solution, find the value of the constant  $m$ .  
Also, find the multiple solution of the quadratic equation at that time.

### solution

(1) Let  $D$  be the discriminant for the given quadratic equations.

$$\textcircled{1} \quad D = 6^2 - 4 \cdot (-2) \cdot \left(-\frac{9}{2}\right) = 36 - 36 = 0$$

Since  $D = 0$ , the number of real solutions is **1**.

$$\textcircled{2} \quad D = \left(-\frac{9}{2}\right)^2 - 4 \cdot 1 \cdot 5 = \frac{81}{4} - 20 = \frac{1}{4}$$

Since  $D > 0$ , the number of real solutions is **2**.

(2) Let  $D$  be the discriminant of the given quadratic equation, and we obtain

$$D = (-m)^2 - 4 \cdot 1 \cdot (m + 3) = m^2 - 4m - 12 = (m + 2)(m - 6).$$

The condition for having a multiple solution is that  $D = 0$  holds.

Therefore,  $(m + 2)(m - 6) = 0$ . Solving for this,  $m = -2, 6$ .

When  $m = -2$ , the quadratic equation is  $x^2 + 2x + 1 = 0$ . Solving for this,  $x = -1$ .

When  $m = 6$ , the quadratic equation is  $x^2 - 6x + 9 = 0$ . Solving for this,  $x = 3$ .

Thus, **when  $m = -2$ , the multiple solution is  $x = -1$ , and when  $m = 6$ , the multiple solution is  $x = 3$ .**

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How does the number of common points by the graph of the quadratic function  $y = -x^2 + 4x + 2k$  with the  $x$ -axis vary with the value of the constant  $k$ ?

**solution**

Let  $D$  be the discriminant of the quadratic equation  $-x^2 + 4x + 2k = 0$ .

$$D = 4^2 - 4 \cdot (-1) \cdot 2k = 16 + 8k$$

(i) When we have two different common points,  $D > 0$ , so  $16 + 8k > 0$  i.e.  $k > -2$ .

(ii) When they are tangent at one point,  $D = 0$ , so  $16 + 8k = 0$ , i.e.  $k = -2$ .

(iii) When there is no shared point,  $D < 0$ , then  $16 + 8k < 0$ , i.e.  $k < -2$ .

From (i), (ii), and (iii),

$$\begin{cases} \text{When } k > -2, \text{ there are } 2. \\ \text{When } k = -2, \text{ there is } 1. \\ \text{When } k < -2, \text{ the number is } 0. \end{cases}$$

1 1

(1) Solve the following quadratic inequalities.

①  $2x^2 \leq 7x$

②  $x^2 - x + \frac{1}{4} > 0$

(2) Solve the simultaneous inequalities  $\begin{cases} x^2 + 2x - 3 \leq 0 \\ x^2 + x - 1 > 0 \end{cases}$ .

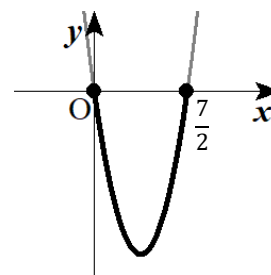
**solution**

(1) ①  $2x^2 \leq 7x \Rightarrow 2x^2 - 7x \leq 0$

The solution of  $2x^2 - 7x = 0$  is  $x = 0, \frac{7}{2}$  from  $2x^2 - 7x = x(2x - 7) = 0$ .

Therefore, the solution of the inequality is  $0 \leq x \leq \frac{7}{2}$

from the figure on the right.



②  $x^2 - x + \frac{1}{4} > 0$

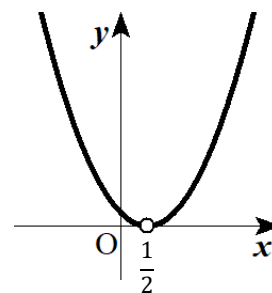
The solution of  $x^2 - x + \frac{1}{4} = 0$  is  $x = \frac{1}{2}$

from  $x^2 - x + \frac{1}{4} = \left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = 0$ .

Therefore, the solution of the inequality is

**All real numbers except  $\frac{1}{2}$  (or  $x < \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} < x$ )**

from the figure on the right.



(2) •  $x^2 + 2x - 3 \leq 0$

The solution of  $x^2 + 2x - 3 = 0$  is  $x = -3, 1$  from  $x^2 + 2x - 3 = (x + 3)(x - 1) = 0$ .

Therefore, the solution of the inequality is  $-3 \leq x \leq 1$ .

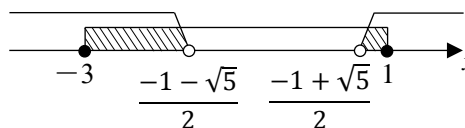
•  $x^2 + x - 1 > 0$

The solution of  $x^2 + x - 1 = 0$  is  $x = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1^2 - 4 \cdot 1 \cdot (-1)}}{2 \cdot 1} = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$ .

Therefore, the solution of the inequality is  $x < \frac{-1 - \sqrt{5}}{2}, \frac{-1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} < x$ .

From the number line on the right, the solution of the simultaneous inequality is

$-3 \leq x < \frac{-1 - \sqrt{5}}{2}, \frac{-1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} < x \leq 1$ .



1 2

Find the range of values of the constant  $k$  such that the quadratic inequality  $x^2 + (k-2)x - k + 10 > 0$  holds for all real numbers  $x$ .

**solution**

If  $f(x) = x^2 + (k-2)x - k + 10$ , the coefficient of  $x^2$  in  $f(x)$  is positive, so the graph of the quadratic function  $y = f(x)$  is convex downward.

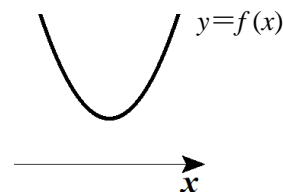
Therefore, the condition for  $f(x) > 0$  to hold for all real numbers  $x$  is that the graph of  $y = f(x)$  is always above the  $x$ -axis, i.e., the graph of  $y = f(x)$  has no common points with the  $x$ -axis.

Thus, let  $D$  be the discriminant of the quadratic equation  $f(x) = 0$ . It is sufficient if  $D < 0$ .

where  $D = (k-2)^2 - 4 \cdot 1 \cdot (-k+10) = k^2 - 4k + 4 + 4k - 40 = k^2 - 36 = (k+6)(k-6)$ ,

so  $(k+6)(k-6) < 0$  from  $D < 0$ .

Solving for this, we get  $-6 < k < 6$ .



**13**

Determine the range of values of the constant  $m$  so that the graph of the quadratic function  $y=x^2-(m+2)x+5$  has two different common points on the positive part of the  $x$ -axis.

**solution**

For the graph of the quadratic function  $y=x^2-(m+2)x+5$ , let  $f(x)=x^2-(m+2)x+5$  and the discriminant  $D$  of the quadratic equation  $f(x)=0$ .

$$D = \{-(m+2)\}^2 - 4 \cdot 1 \cdot 5 = m^2 + 4m + 4 - 20 = m^2 + 4m - 16$$

$D > 0$ , ( position of the axis )  $> 0$ , and  $f(0) > 0$ .

( i )  $D > 0$  i.e.  $m^2 + 4m - 16 > 0$

The solution to  $m^2 + 4m - 16 = 0$  is

$$m = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{4^2 - 4 \cdot 1 \cdot (-16)}}{2 \cdot 1} = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{16 + 64}}{2} = \frac{-4 \pm 4\sqrt{5}}{2} = -2 \pm 2\sqrt{5}.$$

Therefore,  $m < -2 - 2\sqrt{5}$ ,  $-2 + 2\sqrt{5} < m$ .

( ii ) ( position of the axis )  $> 0$

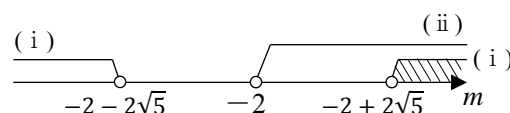
From  $x^2 - (m+2)x + 5 = \left(x - \frac{m+2}{2}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{m+2}{2}\right)^2 + 5$ , the axis is straight line  $x = \frac{m+2}{2}$ .

From this,  $\frac{m+2}{2} > 0$ . Therefore,  $m > -2$ .

( iii )  $f(0) > 0$

From  $f(0)=5$ ,  $f(0) > 0$  is always satisfied.

From the above, it is  $m > -2 + 2\sqrt{5}$  from the number line on the right.



**Study**

- (1) Find the coordinates of the common point by the parabola  $y = -x^2 + 2x + 5$  and the line  $y = x + 3$  .  
 (2) Let  $b$  be a real number . Find the value of the constant  $b$  such that the parabola  $y = x^2 - 2x - 2$  and the line  $y = 2x + b$  are tangent .

**solution**

- (1) Find the solution of the quadratic equation  $x + 3 = -x^2 + 2x + 5$  obtained by eliminating  $y$  .

$$x + 3 = -x^2 + 2x + 5 \Rightarrow x^2 - x - 2 = 0 \Rightarrow (x + 1)(x - 2) = 0$$

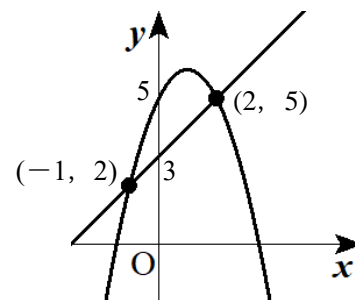
Solving for this, we get  $x = -1, 2$  .

$$y = (-1) + 3 = 2 \text{ when } x = -1 .$$

$$y = 2 + 3 = 5 \text{ when } x = 2 .$$

Therefore, the coordinates of the common point to be sought are

**$(-1, 2)$  and  $(2, 5)$**  .



- (2) The number of real solutions to the quadratic equation  $2x + b = x^2 - 2x - 2$  obtained by eliminating  $y$  should be one.

$$2x + b = x^2 - 2x - 2 \Rightarrow x^2 - 4x - 2 - b = 0$$

Let  $D$  be the discriminant equation of the quadratic equation  $x^2 - 4x - 2 - b = 0$  .

$$D = (-4)^2 - 4 \cdot 1 \cdot (-2 - b) = 16 + 8 + 4b = 24 + 4b$$

The intent of the problem is satisfied when  $D = 0$  . Therefore,  **$b = -6$**