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Extra credit: Textbooks always mention the product and sum of quadratic roots. But the difference and quotient of the quadratic roots are rarely mentioned. Why do you think that is the case? [+2]

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[+1] for finding the correct roots for **each** problem

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[+1] for finding the correct sum of the roots of **all** problems

[+1] for finding the correct product of the roots of **all** problems

3) How can we obtain the sum of the roots and the product of roots by simply applying arithmetic operations on the values of a, b or c?

[+1] for making the correct conjecture on getting the sum of roots

[+1] for making the correct conjecture on getting the product of roots

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[+1] for correctly justifying the sum of the roots

[+2] for correctly justifying the product of the roots

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| a) | b) |
| c) | d) |
| e) | f) |
| g) | h) |

Solutions

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| a)  The roots are: x = -1, -3  Product: 3  Sum: -4 | b)  The roots are: x = -5, 2  Product:-10  Sum:-3 |
| c)  The roots are: x = -2, 3  Product: -6  Sum: 1 | d)  The roots are: x = 3, 4  Product: 12  Sum: 7 |
| e)  The roots are: x = -1, - 7/3  Product: 7/3  Sum: -10/3 | f)  The roots are: x = 3, 3/2  Product: 9/2  Sum: 9/2 |
| g)  The roots are:  Product: 6  Sum: 6 | h)  The roots are:  Product: -4  Sum: -2 |

2) and 3) The quadratic roots are: 



Extra credit:



The difference and quotient of the quadratic roots are not as elegant as the sum and product of the roots. It’s rather cumbersome, like the quadratic formula. In addition, there might be two solutions when it comes to difference since it can also be expressed as 