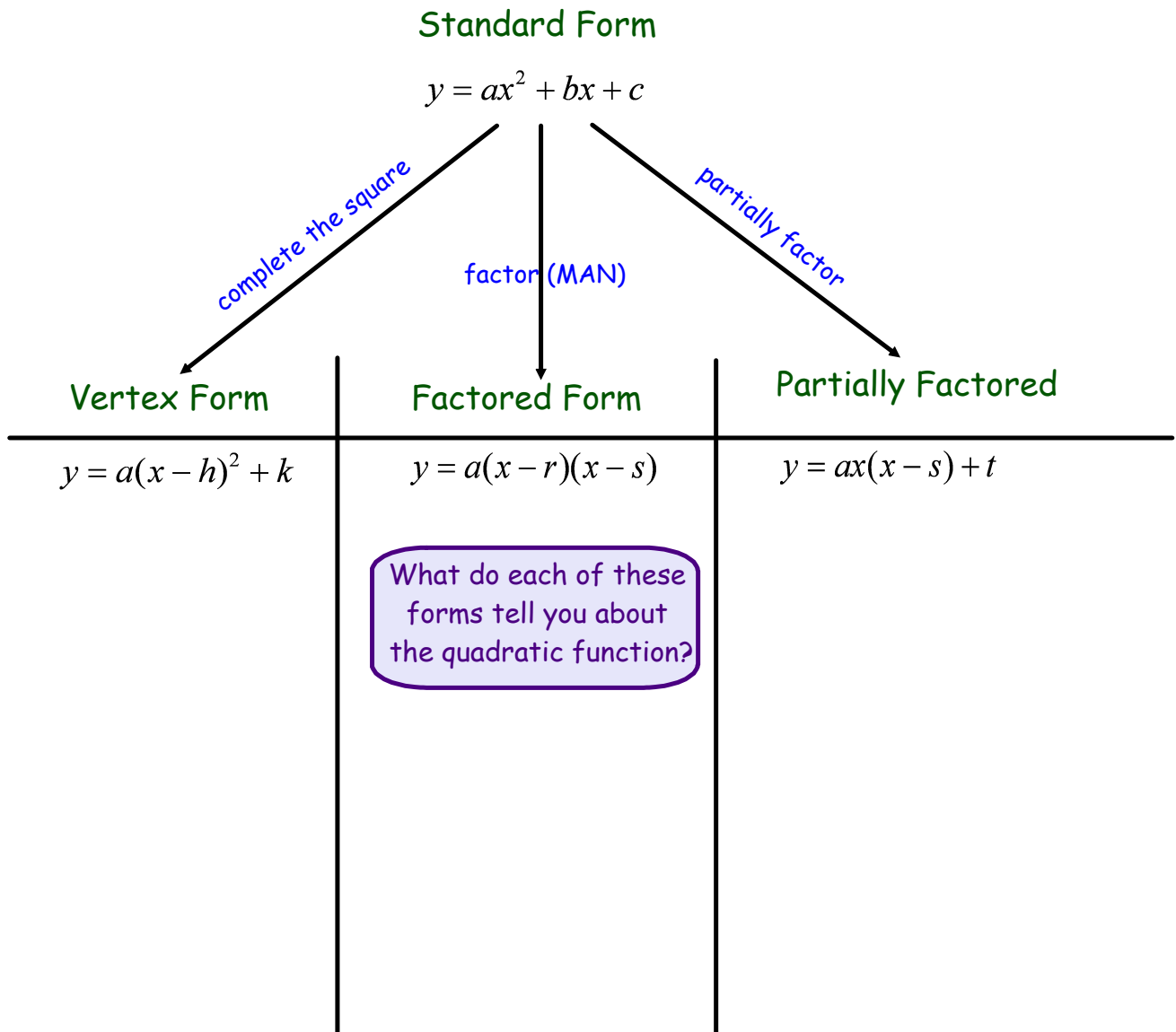


1.6 Determining a Quadratic Equation Given its Roots

Quadratics can be represented in a number of different forms:



Ex 1: A parabola has zeros at $x = 4$ and $x = 3$. What could the equation be that models the quadratic, in factored form.

Ex 2: Determine the equation of the quadratic function with only one x-intercept, at $x = 2$, containing the point $(3, 10)$.

Ex 3: Find an equation of the parabola that has x-intercepts $3+\sqrt{7}$ and $3-\sqrt{7}$ that passes through the point $(-5,3)$

Ex 4: The parabolic opening to a tunnel is 32 m wide measured from side to side along the ground. At the points are 4 m from each side, the tunnel entrance is 6 m high.

- a) Sketch a diagram of the given information.
- b) Determine the equation of the function that models the opening to the tunnel.
- c) Find the maximum height of the tunnel, to the nearest tenth.