



This is a good proof to practice as it uses a lot of algebraic skills

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## THE QUADRATIC FORMULA

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Add detail to the proof below, explaining what is happening in each step

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$$

$$x + \frac{b}{a}x + \frac{c}{a} = 0$$

$$\left(x + \frac{b}{2a}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{b}{2a}\right)^2 + \frac{c}{a} = 0$$

$$\left(x + \frac{b}{2a}\right)^2 - \frac{b^2}{4a^2} - \frac{4ac}{4a^2} = 0$$

$$\left(x + \frac{b}{2a}\right)^2 = \frac{b^2 - 4ac}{4a^2}$$

$$x + \frac{b}{2a} = \frac{\pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{\sqrt{4a^2}}$$

$$x = \frac{-b}{2a} \pm \frac{\sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

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